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Subject: Re: Regular Expressions

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"Pavel A. Romashkin" wrote:

>  
> Wouldn't it be easier to analyse a byte array with more human-readable  
> functions, than those beautiful regular expressions you guys brought up?  
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> Cheers,  
> Pavel

Oh no! Pavel! That would mean to take all the fun out of it! Just imagine IDL got rid of all the quirks we spend so much time musing upon in this group. Wouldn't that be boring (and David would be out of bread and butter, too). With regular expressions, it's a similar thing: they are brain sport! Somewhere I read that people who train their brain regularly have a better chance of avoiding dementia later on. So, where's the weekly regular expression contest?

Cheers,

Martin

PS: As far as I know, emacs is nothing else than a smart and well balanced collection of regular expressions ;-)

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