
Subject: Re: data type determination in a file
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sun, 21 Oct 2001 16:32:58 GMT
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Reimar Bauer (r.bauer@fz-juelich.de) writes:

> Or did someone has an idea how to determine types from an ASCII file
> ,string or byte array ?

I suppose as a first approximation you could sample the data in bytes and look for those ASCII byte values that represent characters (ABC...XYZabc...xyz). I think you could assume anything with those characters would be a string. Wouldn't work for Chinese, of course. :-)

Cheers,

David

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