
Subject: Re: Beyond 7-bit ASCII

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 30 Aug 2004 16:42:31 GMT

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Karl Schultz writes:

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> This example combines the two using object graphics:
>
> IDL> oText = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrText', "I will !6do!X it ma!Z('F1'x)ana",
> /ENABLE_FORMATTING)
> IDL> xobjview, oText
>
> !6 switches to complex roman and !X gets you back to the entry font.
```

Yes, I did get something like this working. What I couldn't figure out how to do (and I think this is what the original poster wanted) was how to get Greek symbols into his code. For example, I tried this:

```
text = Obj_New('IDLgrText', ENABLE_FORMATTING=1, $
    "(!4!z(88)!X) Greek Symbol Omega", color=[0,0,128])
XObjView, text
```

Maybe I don't know how to read the octal table. But I see Font 4, the omega sign is 12x plus 10 octal is:

```
IDL> Print, "120
      88
```

Why doesn't this work?

Cheers,

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