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Subject: Re: Possible Mac OS Bug with FIX.  
Posted by [Foldy Lajos](#) on Wed, 11 May 2005 18:45:37 GMT  
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From Wikipedia (endianness):

To summarize, here is the default endian-formats of some common computer architectures:

- \* Pure big-endian: Sun SPARC, Motorola 68000, PowerPC 970, IBM System/360
- \* Bi-endian, running in big-endian mode by default: MIPS running IRIX, PA-RISC, most POWER and PowerPC systems
- \* Bi-Endian, running in little-endian mode by default: MIPS running Ultrix, most DEC Alpha, IA-64 running Linux
- \* Pure little-endian: Intel x86, AMD64, DEC VAX (excluding D-Float numbers)

So x86/linux, x86/windoz is little-endian, Mac is big-endian.

regards,  
lajos

On Wed, 11 May 2005, David Fanning wrote:

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> Is a Macintosh a big or little endian machine?  
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> Cheers,  
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