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Subject: Re: Mac User Code Question

Posted by [George N. White III](#) on Fri, 29 Feb 2008 12:18:23 GMT

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On Wed, 27 Feb 2008, mankoff wrote:

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> On Feb 27, 10:29 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:  
>> Folks,  
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>> Just a quibble this morning, but with more and more people  
>> using Macs, here is something I don't understand. When Mac  
>> users post IDL code to this newsgroup, all of the equal signs  
>> in the code turn out like "=3D" in my news reader (Gravity).  
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>> I can strip them out easily enough, but it does give me  
>> difficulties reading the code in my news reader. Does anyone  
>> know why this happens? Should I be setting some property in  
>> my news reader to get the proper encoding?  
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>> Cheers,  
>>  
>> David  
>> --  
>> David Fanning, Ph.D.  
>> Fanning Software Consulting, Inc.  
>> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming:<http://www.dfanning.com/>  
>> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")  
>  
> I have to assume my recent posting is related to this. I have no clue  
> about Gravity, but relevant info might be that I cut and pasted from  
> Emacs (Aquamacs Emacs.app) into FireFox on OS X Intel.

Using alpine on Fedora, I don't see the problem with the "=" sign, but I do see:

>> Polar Stereographic projection with 71=B0S as the latitude of true  
scale  
>> and 0=B0E as the central meridian.

(e.g. the degree symbol, UTF-16: 0x00B0, becomes "=B0"). This is mishandling of "quoted-printable" encoding  
<<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quoted-printable>>.

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