
Subject: Re: byte/unicode mismatch

Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Fri, 21 Nov 2008 21:45:32 GMT

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Allan Whiteford schrieb:

> Reimar Bauer wrote:

>> That is all orthogonal.

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>> How can I decode and how can I encode?

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>> cheers

>> Reimar

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> Reimar,

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> The question (and answer) isn't all that straightforward, byte values

> over 127 aren't well defined without an encoding system or a codepage.

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> However, the answer you're probably looking for is:

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> b=byte("i½") ; assumption 2

> print,b[1]+(b[0] eq 195)*64 ; assumption 1

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> which is assuming:

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> 1) you want byte values from (two byte) UTF-8 to ISO-8859-1

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> and

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> 2) that the u-umlaut character has entered the interpreter from a UTF-8

> environment.

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> Please don't just cut and paste the above assuming all will be well.

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> Thanks,

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> Allan

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Hmm this does confuse me more. Lets see if an other examples helps me.

If I write an output file using the ide e.g.

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openw, 10, 'testfile.txt'
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printf, 10, 'Ji½lich'
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close, 10
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If I run this program with iso encoding isn't the result different to utf-8?

Or how can I write it iso encoded independent from the user setting?

In python I have several methods for that.

<http://effbot.org/zone/unicode-objects.htm>

cheers

Reimar
