
Subject: Re: Angstrom Symbol Nonsense
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Stein Vidar Hagfors Haugan <steinhh@rigil.uio.no>:

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> device,/isolatin1 ; It's only a shame that this is not the default...

This is the easiest way with any programming: force the use of iso-latin-1 8-bit characters. This works with hardware fonts on most machines too, so good-looking output and labels can be had both on and off screen.

There is a very good FAQ posted to soc.culture.nordic which contains a lot of detail about iso-latin-1 and other character sets. It is called the "ISO 8859-1 National Character Set FAQ" and is posted regularly and archived at:

<http://www.cis.ohio-state.edu/hypertext/faq/usenet/internationalization/iso-8859-1-charset/faq.html>

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Anyone wanting to handle $\frac{1}{2}$ ngstr $\frac{1}{2}$ ms, plot Poincar $\frac{1}{2}$ trajectories or show the crosscorrelation of the word 'Fox' with $\frac{1}{2}$ sop's fables would do well to read it at least once: in addition to explaining the problem clearly the FAQ gives good clues as to which machines might cause problems and how to configure them so that they don't.

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