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Subject: Re: byteoder for float numbers conversion  
Posted by [Liam Gumley](#) on Tue, 18 Feb 1997 08:00:00 GMT  
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William Connolley wrote:

> In article n98@elaine44.Stanford.EDU, yafeng@leland.Stanford.EDU (Meili Zhong) writes:  
>> I want to convert the float numbers from UNIX format(big-endian)  
>> to PC format(small-endian).  
>> None of these commands worked:  
>> byteorder, data  
>> byteorder, data, /xdrtof  
>> byteorder, data, /ftoxdr  
> To go from SUN-floating-point to DECalpha-floating-point I use  
> byteorder,data,/lswap

SWAP\_ENDIAN works for me, e.g.

```
data = swap_endian( temporary( data ) )
```

It handles floating point as well as integer types.

Cheers,  
Liam.

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