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Encodings

When "ü"!="ü" and other oddities

Past

1963

"American Standard Code for Information Interchange"

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

	_0	_1	_2	_3	_4	_5	_6	_7	_8	_9	_A	_B	_C	_D	_E	_F
0_	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI
1_	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
2_	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/
3_	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
4_	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
5_	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
6_	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
7_	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

	_0	_1	_2	_3	_4	_5	_6	_7	_8	_9	_A	_B	_C	_D	_E	_F
0_	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI
1_	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
2_	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/
3_	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
4_	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
5_	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
6_	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
7_	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

0x41 = A

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX										FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"										,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

0b 10 00001 = A

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX										FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"										,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

0b 10 00001 = A

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In the Beginning, there was ASCII

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

control characters

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

BS
backspace

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

BS backspace

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

- ^H = backspace

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

BEL
bell

- ^H = backspace
- ^G = bell

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

EOT
end of text

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

- ^H = backspace
- ^G = bell
- ^D = end of text

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

ESC

- ^H = backspace
- ^G = bell
- ^D = end of text (file)
- ^[= escape

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

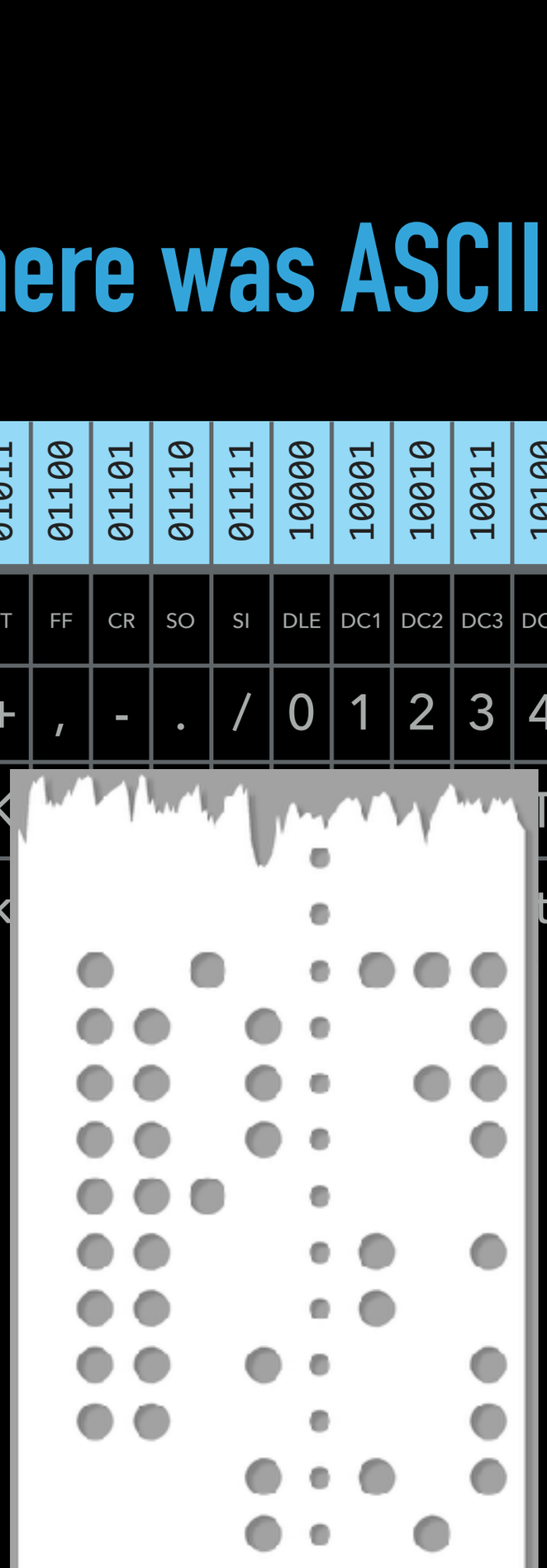
	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

DEL (1111111)

In the Beginning, there was ASCII

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

DEL (1111111)



In the Beginning, there was ASCII

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00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7								?
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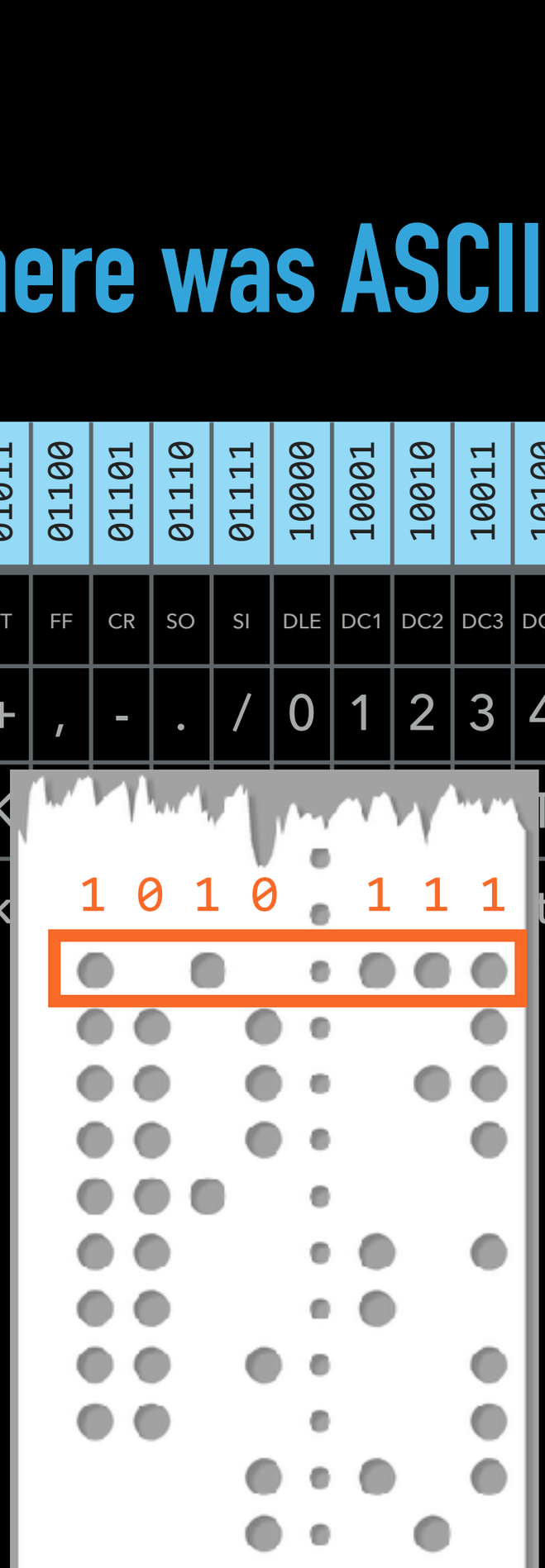
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k										t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

DEL (1111111)



In the Beginning, there was ASCII

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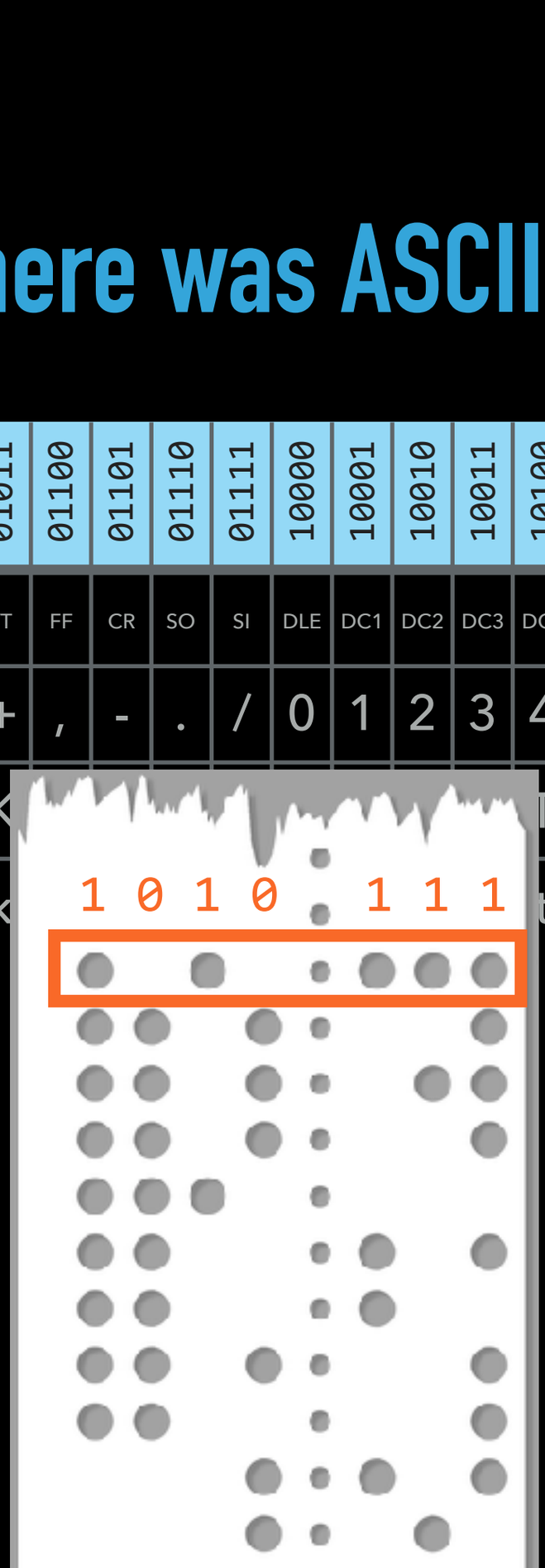
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

DEL (1111111)



In the Beginning, there was ASCII

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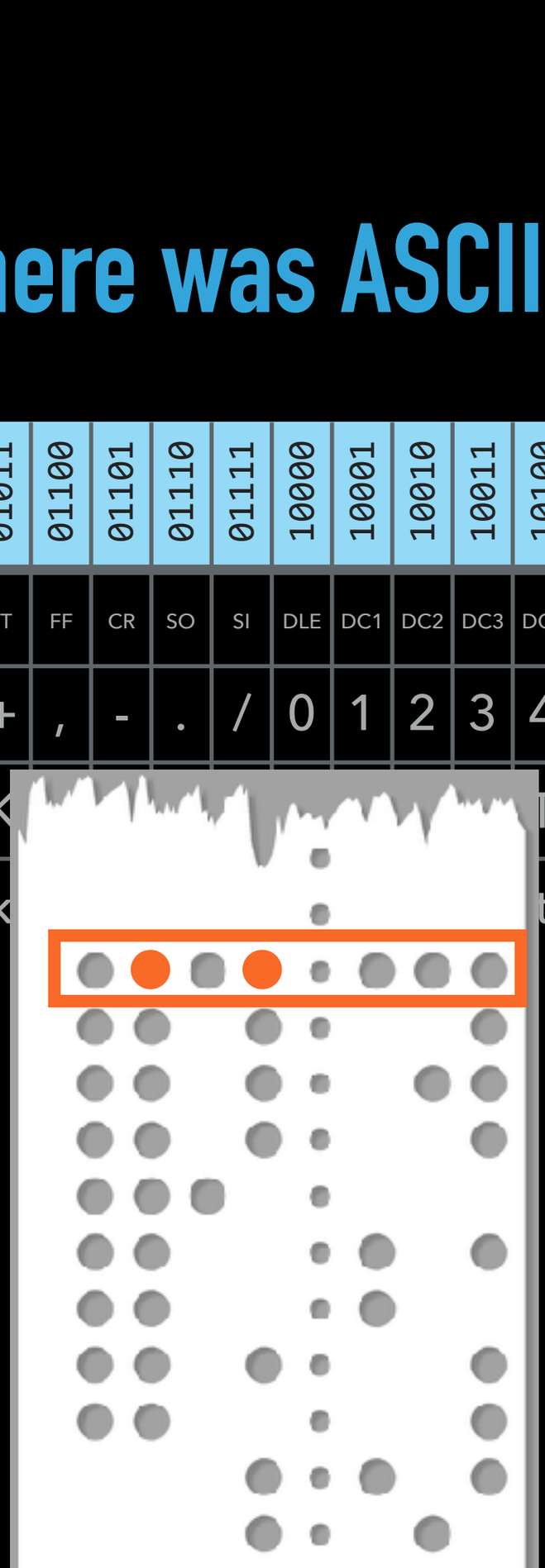
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

DEL
(1111111)



But ASCII wasn't good enough

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

But ASCII wasn't good enough

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

Mötley Crüe

Motörhead

But ASCII wasn't good enough

	00000	00001	00010	00011	00100	00101	00110	00111	01000	01001	01010	01011	01100	01101	01110	01111	10000	10001	10010	10011	10100	10101	10110	10111	11000	11001	11010	11011	11100	11101	11110	11111
00	NUL	SOH	STX	ETX	EOT	ENQ	ACK	BEL	BS	HT	LF	VT	FF	CR	SO	SI	DLE	DC1	DC2	DC3	DC4	NAK	SYN	ETB	CAN	EM	SUB	ESC	FS	GS	RS	US
01	SP	!	"	#	$	%	&	'	(	)	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
10	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[	\	]	^	_
11	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	|	}	~	DEL

Mötley Crüe

Motörhead

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Extend to 8 bits: 128 more characters!

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aka “Latin-1”

So we got ISO-8859-1 . . .

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So we got ISO-8859-1 . . .

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currency sign
0b 101 00100 = 0xA4 = 164

So we got ISO-8859-1, but . . .

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(because it was created in 1987)

aka “Latin-9”

. . . thus ISO-8859-15 was created

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0b101 00100 = 0xA4 = 164
in ISO-8859-1: ¤

Metaphor: Translating Text

"GIFT"

Metaphor: Translating Text

"GIFT"

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"CADEAU"

Metaphor: Translating Text

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"CADEAU" "POISON"

How to determine the right encoding

- Metadata (e.g. charset header)
- Standards (e.g. UTF-8 for XML, Latin-1 for HTTP headers)
- Context
- Best guess ¯_(ツ)_/¯

More encodings: Windows-1252 . . .

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0b100 00000 = 0x80 = 128

. . . and Mac-Roman

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Present

We need more characters!

We need more characters!

- **ASCII:** 128 characters

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- **ASCII:** 128 characters
- **ISO-8859-1 & Co:** 256 characters

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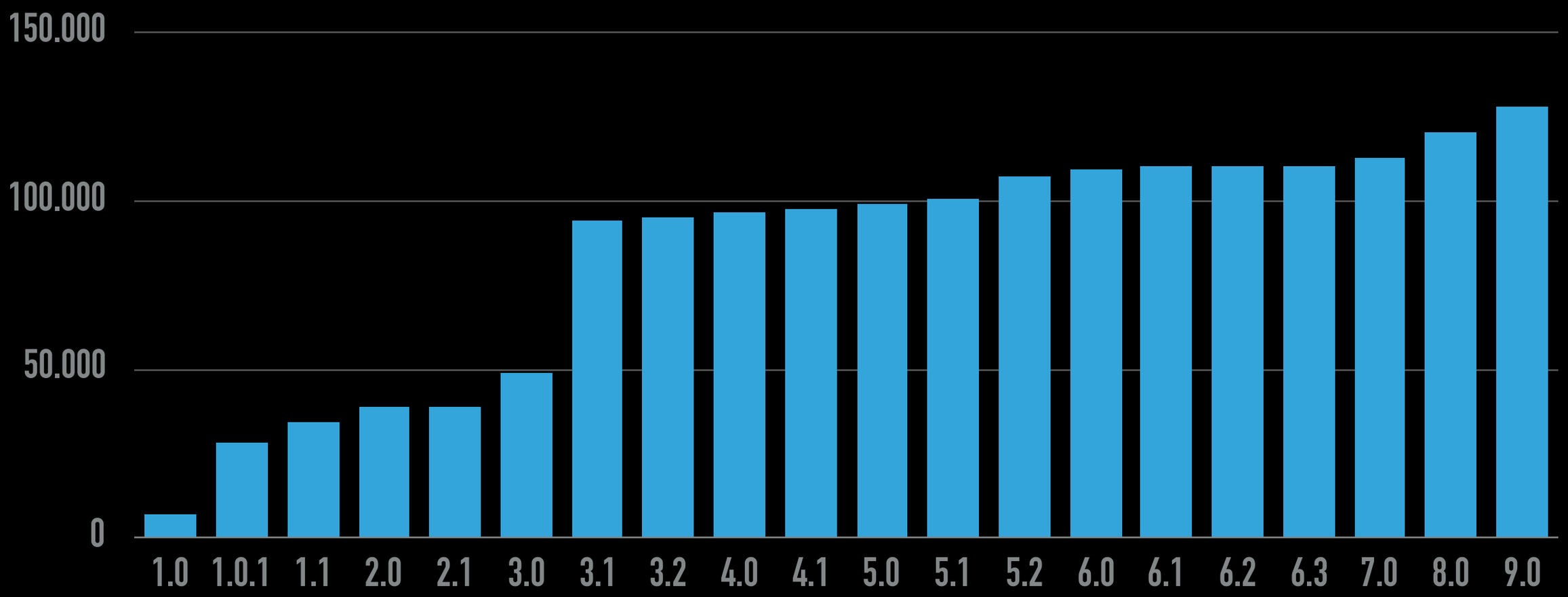
- **ASCII:** 128 characters
- **ISO-8859-1 & Co:** 256 characters
- **Unicode:** ???

Unicode

- 128,237 characters

Unicode: Proudly adding characters since 1991

- 128,237 characters



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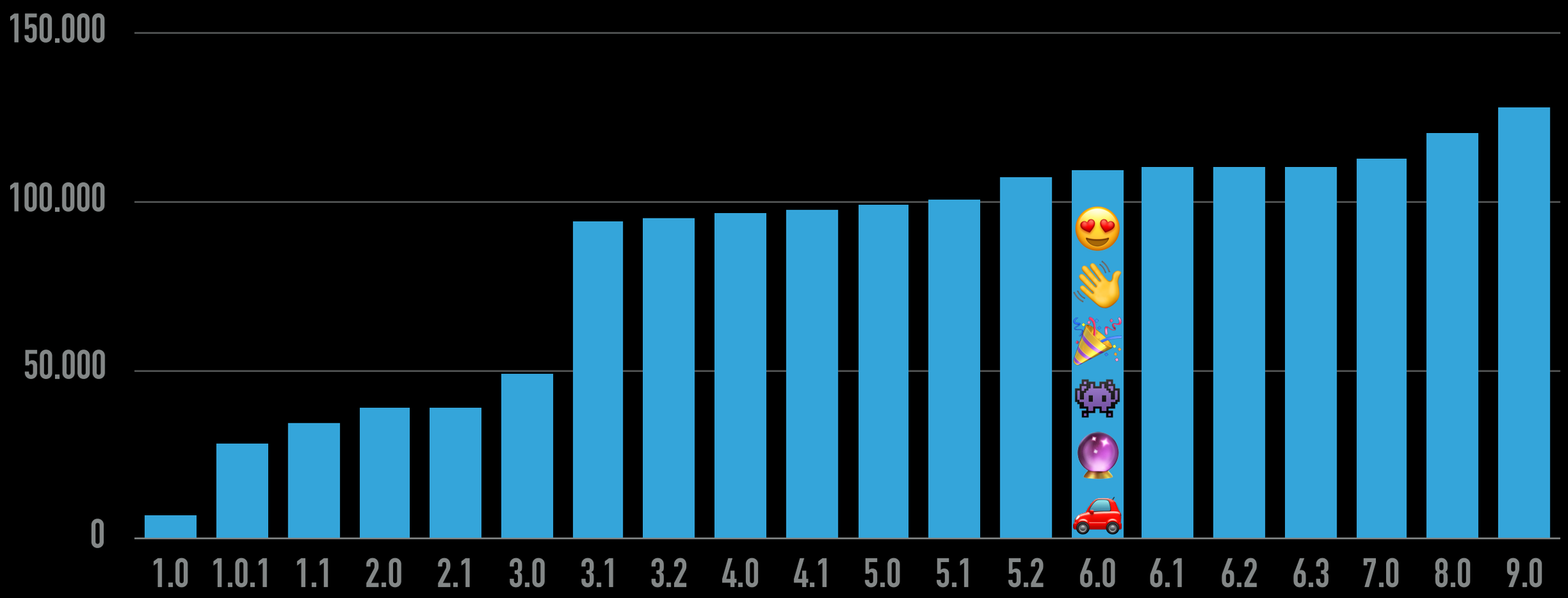

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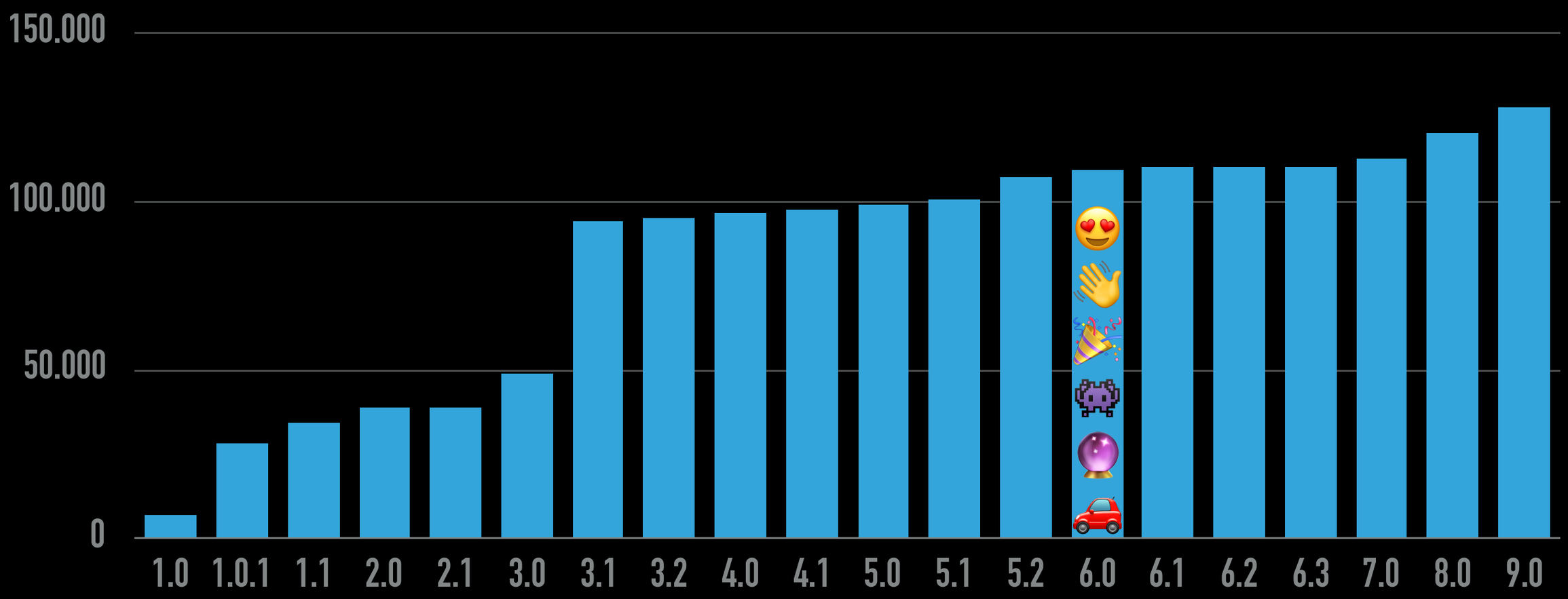

- **1,114,112 code points:** U+0000 to U+10FFFF

Unicode Encodings

U+0000 to U+10FFFF (21 bits)

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- **UTF-32:** 4 bytes (32 bits) per codepoint
- **UTF-16:** 2 or 4 bytes per codepoint
- **UTF-8:** 1–4 bytes per codepoint

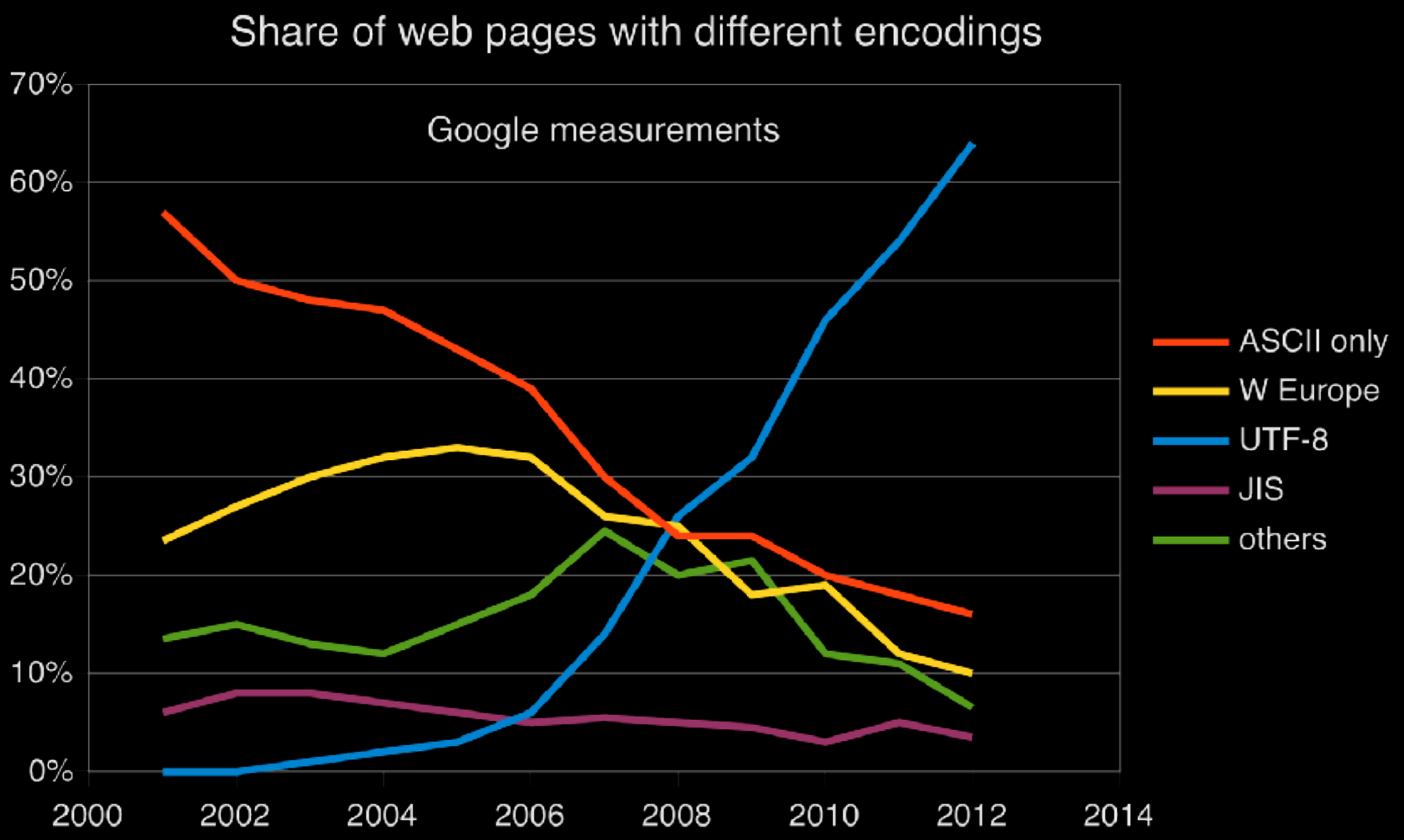
Unicode Encodings

U+0000 to U+10FFFF (21 bits)

- **UTF-32:** 4 bytes (32 bits) per codepoint
- **UTF-16:** 2 or 4 bytes per codepoint
- **UTF-8:** 1–4 bytes per codepoint

	Bytes / Codepoint	Fixed Width	File size compared to ASCII
UTF-32	4	✔	4 times larger
UTF-16	2 or 4	-	double
UTF-8	1–4	-	almost identical

UTF-8 rules the Web



UTF-8: How does it even work?

UTF-8: 1–4 bytes per codepoint

Codepoint	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4

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Codepoint	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4
U+0000 to U+007F	0xxx xxxx	–	–	–

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UTF-8: 1–4 bytes per codepoint

Codepoint	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4
U+0000 to U+007F	0xxx xxxx	–	–	–
U+0080 to U+07FF	110x xxxx	10xx xxxx	–	–

UTF-8: How does it even work?

UTF-8: 1–4 bytes per codepoint

Codepoint	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4
U+0000 to U+007F	0xxx xxxx	–	–	–
U+0080 to U+07FF	110x xxxx	10xx xxxx	–	–
U+0800 to U+FFFF	1110 xxxx	10xx xxxx	10xx xxxx	–

UTF-8: How does it even work?

UTF-8: 1–4 bytes per codepoint

Codepoint	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4
U+0000 to U+007F	0xxx xxxx	–	–	–
U+0080 to U+07FF	110x xxxx	10xx xxxx	–	–
U+0800 to U+FFFF	1110 xxxx	10xx xxxx	10xx xxxx	–
U+10000 to U+10FFFF	1111 0xxx	10xx xxxx	10xx xxxx	10xx xxxx

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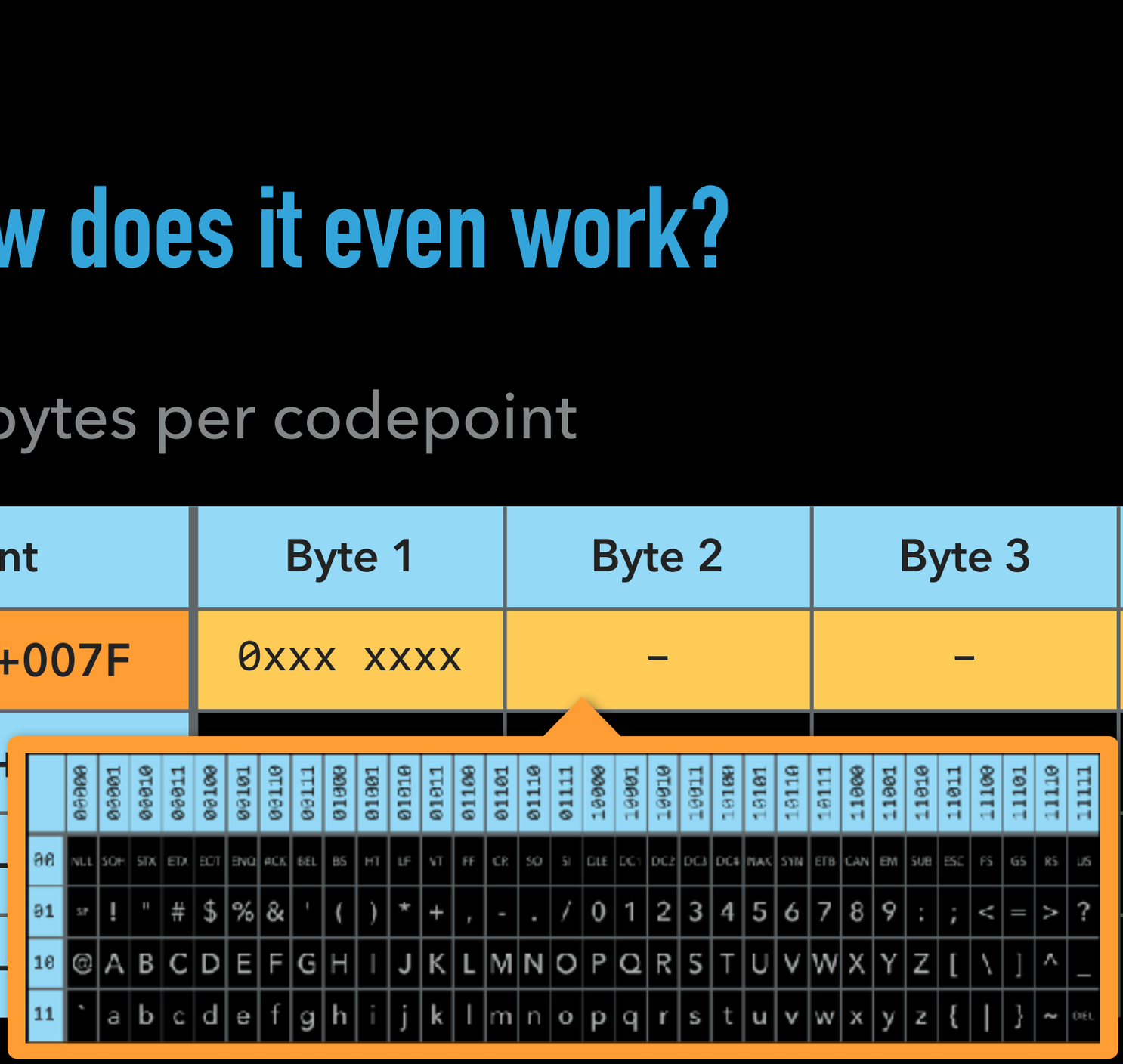
U+0800 to U+				
U+10000 to U+				10xx xxxx



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UTF-8 basic characters = ASCII

UTF-8 done manually

€ **U+20AC** `0b 0010 0000 1010 1100`

	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4
U+0800 to U+FFFF	`1110 xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	

UTF-8 done manually

€ **U+20AC** `0b 0010 0000 1010 1100`

	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4
U+0800 to U+FFFF	`1110 xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	

`1100 0010`

UTF-8 done manually

€ **U+20AC** `0b 0010 0000 1010 1100`

	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4
U+0800 to U+FFFF	`1110 xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	
	`1100 0010`	`1000 0010`		

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	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4
U+0800 to U+FFFF	`1110 xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	
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	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4
U+0800 to U+FFFF	`1110 xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	`10xx xxxx`	
	`1100 0010`	`1000 0010`	`1010 1100`	
	`0xE2`	**`0x82`**	**`0xAC`**	

Gotchas

~~Problems~~

Müller vs. Müller

Müller vs. Müller:
Precomposed vs. combining characters

Character	M	ü		l	l	e	r
Code Point	U+004D	U+00FC		U+006C	U+006C	U+0065	U+0072
Code Point	U+004D	U+0075	U+0308	U+006C	U+006C	U+0065	U+0072
Character	M	u	◌̈	l	l	e	r

Combining diaeresis

Müller vs. Müller:
Precomposed vs. combining characters

Character	M	ü		l	l	e	r
Code Point	U+004D	U+00FC		U+006C	U+006C	U+0065	U+0072
Code Point	U+004D	U+0075	U+0308	U+006C	U+006C	U+0065	U+0072
Character	M	u	◌̈	l	l	e	r

Combining diaeresis

Müller

Unicode Normalization

	Canonical Equivalence	Compatibility Equivalence
Composed	**NFC**	**NFKC**
Decomposed	**NFD**	**NFKD**

foo vs. foo

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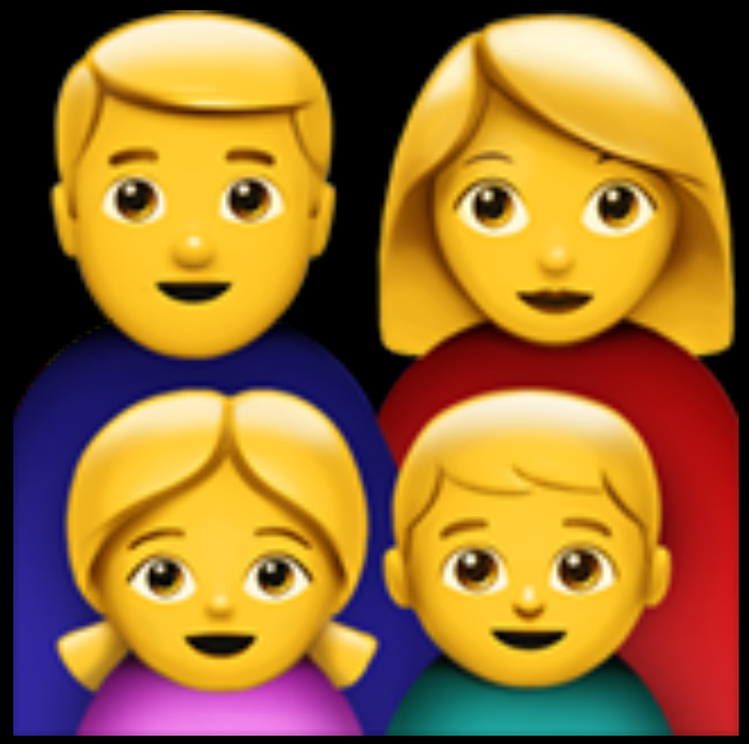

Thank you!

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