

Re: Ugaritic Affiliations

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"Peter T. Daniels" <grammatim@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
<news:1189508961.333375.211550@xx>

On Sep 11, 5:18 am, Richard Wordingham <jrw0...@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

On 10 Sep, 19:01, "Peter T. Daniels" <gramma...@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

- > On Sep 10, 1:37 pm, Tak To <ta...@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:
- >> The ordering of the CJKV characters is basically by radical +
- >> stroke count, following more or less the Kangxi Dictionary.
- > That's not how it appears to be in the tiny charts in the Mac Chinese
- > Input manual!

Mac OS Traditional Chinese is based on the Big-5 encoding. Big-5 is piecewise alphabetical. The 'frequently used characters' are in the range a440 to c67e, and are arranged in a different alphabetical order – by stroke count, with the radical as the first tie-breaker.

The Mac OS Simplified Chinese encoding is based on GB-2312. The first half of the Chinese characters are encoded in order of pinyin transcription, and not by shape at all. The second half are encoded in order of radical and stroke count.

Was Mac Chinese (actually, Japanese came first; you had to install your Japanese Language Kit before you could install your Chinese Language Kit) devised before Unicode?

Probably, though I can't find a date for Mac OS Traditional Chinese. Unicode added CJK characters in 1993 (Version 1.1).

Richard.

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