Subject: [Resolved] char* with "\0" between each char Posted by Xemuth on Fri, 11 Jan 2019 12:56:16 GMT

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Hello there!
First of all, I wish you all a happy new year!
Today I'm trying to take control of Excel via OLE I did this code:
char* MyExcel::TestingNameOfSheet(){
VARIANT AppResult={0};
VARIANT AtmSheet={0};
VariantInit(&AppResult);
VariantInit(&AtmSheet);
VariantClear(&lgVariant);
IqVariant.vt = VT I4;
IgVariant.IVal = 2;
AutoWrap(DISPATCH PROPERTYGET|DISPATCH METHOD, &AppResult,xIApp.pdispVal,
L"Worksheets", 1, IgVariant);
AutoWrap(DISPATCH_PROPERTYGET, &AtmSheet, AppResult.pdispVal, L"Name", 0);
return AtmSheet.pcVal;
Somewhere else in my code I did this:
test = excel.TestingNameOfSheet();
Cout() << "-----" << "\n":
 if(test !=0){
 do{
 Cout() << (int)*test << "\n";
 }while(++test);
Cout() << "\n----- << "\n";
this code put into test the name of sheet2 from excel. in my case ("Feuil2").
problem is, when I read it with my "do while" I only get "F" because test is equal to
"F\0e\0u\0i\0I\02\0\0\0\0\0\\\...".
Can someone explain me why test looks like that? is it normal? Or did I make something like
classic OLE error?
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Thanks in advance

Subject: Re: char* with "\0" between each char Posted by koldo on Sat, 12 Jan 2019 23:19:42 GMT

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Hello Xemuth

I am not able to answer you know. However you may check Bazaar/OfficeAutomation_demo_console that uses Bazaar/OfficeAutomation package to handle Excel and Word files.

Subject: Re: char* with "\0" between each char Posted by Xemuth on Mon, 14 Jan 2019 11:14:01 GMT

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Hello Koldo,

Thanks for your response,

I still has check Bazaar/OfficeAutomation_demo_console and the code looks really more complicated than mine.

I think I did something wrong ^^'

Have a nice day

Subject: Re: char* with "\0" between each char Posted by Xemuth on Wed, 16 Jan 2019 08:17:57 GMT

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Hello Again,

I have resolved my problem, the char * I tried to read was a bstr.

To make it readable as normal char * it need to be cast to ASCII char * via this kind of func:

```
void BSTRtoASC (BSTR str,char * resultat){
  if ( str != NULL ) {
    unsigned long length = WideCharToMultiByte (CP_ACP,0, str,SysStringLen(str), NULL, 0,NULL,
    NULL );
    length = WideCharToMultiByte (CP_ACP,0, str,SysStringLen(str), resultat, length,NULL, NULL );
    resultat[length] = '\0';
}
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}

Have a good day

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