
Subject: Re: 300

Posted by [saberhawk](#) on Mon, 15 Jun 2009 08:01:44 GMT

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CarrierII wrote on Mon, 15 June 2009 03:48Liquid, the problem is next to unchangable, the data type of the value (how big it is, in bytes, and how that byte is interpreted) is so difficult to change without the source code that you're asking them to spend hours to fix this minor problem. To help you get the idea, I think I need to link to something on bits and bytes... here

It'd be nice if it was *just* hours to change the datatype, but since it's a signed datatype we've got to deal with two's compliment issues as well as data packing rules; it'd take days and massive amounts of cloning to *try* to change the datatype and even then it'd be sure to blow up when any unusual condition came around.
