

Chinese Language Kit: Cropped italic characters (7/96)

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TOPIC -----

Some italicized characters printed in the Chinese Language Kit's fonts are cropped on the right side, regardless of the printer, computer, or the application from which the job was sent.

For example, with CLK 1.1.1 installed, in SimpleText Chinese, the italic zhu (pinyin method) character, the second one in the seventh row, is cropped on the top of the right hand side when printed. Font: Li Gothic Medium. This was tested on a 7500/100, System 7.5.3, LW 8.2.2.

DISCUSSION -----

In speaking with engineering on this issue, they have seen some cases where characters get cropped, even with US fonts, in italic. Basically, they stated this is an old problem due to the font extending beyond the "edit box", and that some applications are worse than others at cropping the fonts. Alternately, they said that this may also be a problem with a specific glyph of a font since the Chinese fonts are fairly old. They noted that the way to tell if it is a specific glyph problem is if the glyph is more prominently cropped than other characters.

We are unaware of any workarounds since the fbit resources (font bitmaps) or edit boxes themselves would probably have to be changed. This has been reported again to engineering.

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