

:mod:`binascii` --- Convert between binary and ASCII

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Unknown directive type "module".

```
.. module:: binascii
   :synopsis: Tools for converting between binary and various ASCII-encoded binary
              representations.
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Unknown directive type "index".

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.. index::
   module: uu
   module: base64
```

The `:mod:`binascii`` module contains a number of methods to convert between binary and various ASCII-encoded binary representations. Normally, you will not use these functions directly but use wrapper modules like `:mod:`uu`` or `:mod:`base64`` instead. The `:mod:`binascii`` module contains low-level functions written in C for greater speed that are used by the higher-level modules.

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Note

`a2b_*` functions accept Unicode strings containing only ASCII characters. Other functions only accept `:term:`bytes-like objects`` (such as `:class:`bytes``, `:class:`bytearray`` and other objects that support the buffer protocol).

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.. versionchanged:: 3.3
   ASCII-only unicode strings are now accepted by the ``a2b_*`` functions.
```

The `mod:'binascii'` module defines the following functions:

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Unknown directive type "function".

```
.. function:: a2b_uu(string)

Convert a single line of uuencoded data back to binary and return the binary
data. Lines normally contain 45 (binary) bytes, except for the last line. Line
data may be followed by whitespace.
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Unknown directive type "function".

```
.. function:: b2a_uu(data, *, backtick=False)

Convert binary data to a line of ASCII characters, the return value is the
converted line, including a newline char. The length of *data* should be at most
45. If *backtick* is true, zeros are represented by ``'`` instead of spaces.

.. versionchanged:: 3.7
   Added the *backtick* parameter.
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```
.. function:: a2b_base64(string, strict_mode=False)

Convert a block of base64 data back to binary and return the binary data. More
than one line may be passed at a time.

If *strict_mode* is true, only valid base64 data will be converted. Invalid base64
data will raise :exc:`binascii.Error`.

Valid base64:
* Conforms to :rfc:`3548`.
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* Contains only characters from the base64 alphabet.
* Contains no excess data after padding (including excess padding, newlines, etc.).
* Does not start with a padding.

.. versionchanged:: 3.11
   Added the *strict_mode* parameter.
```

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Unknown directive type "function".

```
.. function:: b2a_base64(data, *, newline=True)
```

Convert binary data to a line of ASCII characters in base64 coding. The return value is the converted line, including a newline char if **newline** is true. The output of this function conforms to :rfc:`3548`.

```
.. versionchanged:: 3.6
   Added the *newline* parameter.
```

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Unknown directive type "function".

```
.. function:: a2b_qp(data, header=False)
```

Convert a block of quoted-printable data back to binary and return the binary data. More than one line may be passed at a time. If the optional argument **header** is present and true, underscores will be decoded as spaces.

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Unknown directive type "function".

```
.. function:: b2a_qp(data, quotetabs=False, istext=True, header=False)
```

Convert binary data to a line(s) of ASCII characters in quoted-printable encoding. The return value is the converted line(s). If the optional argument **quotetabs** is present and true, all tabs and spaces will be encoded. If the optional argument **istext** is present and true, newlines are not encoded but trailing whitespace will be encoded. If the optional argument **header** is present and true, spaces will be encoded as underscores per :rfc:`1522`. If the optional argument **header** is present and false, newline characters will be encoded as well; otherwise linefeed conversion might corrupt the binary data stream.

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```
.. function:: crc_hqx(data, value)
```

Compute a 16-bit CRC value of **data**, starting with **value** as the initial CRC, and return the result. This uses the CRC-CCITT polynomial $x^{16} + x^{12} + x^5 + 1$, often represented as 0x1021. This CRC is used in the binhex4 format.

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```
.. function:: crc32(data[, value])
```

Compute CRC-32, the unsigned 32-bit checksum of **data**, starting with an initial CRC of **value**. The default initial CRC is zero. The algorithm is consistent with the ZIP file checksum. Since the algorithm is designed for use as a checksum algorithm, it is not suitable for use as a general hash algorithm. Use as follows::

```
print(binascii.crc32(b"hello world"))
# Or, in two pieces:
crc = binascii.crc32(b"hello")
crc = binascii.crc32(b" world", crc)
print('crc32 = {:#010x}'.format(crc))
```

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.. versionchanged:: 3.0
```

The result is always unsigned.

To generate the same numeric value when using Python 2 or earlier, use ``crc32(data) & 0xffffffff``.

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```
.. function:: b2a_hex(data[, sep[, bytes_per_sep=1]])
             hexlify(data[, sep[, bytes_per_sep=1]])
```

Return the hexadecimal representation of the binary **data**. Every byte of **data** is converted into the corresponding 2-digit hex representation. The returned bytes object is therefore twice as long as the length of **data**.

Similar functionality (but returning a text string) is also conveniently accessible using the :meth:`bytes.hex` method.

If **sep** is specified, it must be a single character str or bytes object. It will be inserted in the output after every **bytes_per_sep** input bytes. Separator placement is counted from the right end of the output by default, if you wish to count from the left, supply a negative **bytes_per_sep** value.

```
>>> import binascii
>>> binascii.b2a_hex(b'\xb9\x01\xef')
b'b901ef'
>>> binascii.hexlify(b'\xb9\x01\xef', '-')
b'b9-01-ef'
>>> binascii.b2a_hex(b'\xb9\x01\xef', b'_', 2)
b'b9_01ef'
>>> binascii.b2a_hex(b'\xb9\x01\xef', b' ', -2)
b'b901 ef'
```

```
.. versionchanged:: 3.8
```

The **sep** and **bytes_per_sep** parameters were added.

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```
.. function:: a2b_hex(hexstr)
             unhexlify(hexstr)
```

Return the binary data represented by the hexadecimal string **hexstr**. This function is the inverse of :func:`b2a_hex`. **hexstr** must contain an even number of hexadecimal digits (which can be upper or lower case), otherwise an :exc:`Error` exception is raised.

Similar functionality (accepting only text string arguments, but more liberal towards whitespace) is also accessible using the :meth:`bytes.fromhex` class method.

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Unknown directive type "exception".

```
.. exception:: Error
```

Exception raised on errors. These are usually programming errors.

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Unknown directive type "exception".

```
.. exception:: Incomplete
```

Exception raised on incomplete data. These are usually not programming errors, but may be handled by reading a little more data and trying again.

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Unknown directive type "seealso".

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.. seealso::
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```
Module :mod:`base64`  
    Support for RFC compliant base64-style encoding in base 16, 32, 64,  
    and 85.
```

```
Module :mod:`uu`  
    Support for UU encoding used on Unix.
```

```
Module :mod:`quopri`  
    Support for quoted-printable encoding used in MIME email messages.
```