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| On Wed, Nov 2, 2022 at 7:57 AM Tavis Ormandy <tavis@...il.com> wrote:
|> I don't know rust, so serious question - if this same buggy punycode

The problem with punycode is punycode as such.
It should have been URL-encoded UTF-8 maybe with normal decomposition from the start, and the DNS limits should have been raised, all that now well over twenty years ago.

Poul-Hennig Kamp of FreeBSD, varnish etc wrote just this week on another ML

|> The other thing to keep in mind is the immense existing codebase of
|> unix kernels et al, not to mention application code depending on
|> those kernels.

| This is the mistake we IT-people keep doing again and again:

| Forwards compatibility is /far/ more important than backwards compatibil\|
| ity.

It would have been grown out by now. And many problems would never happened, including those incompatibilities that they wanted to avoid. My one cent.

Other than that. Sigh. C is the culprit!!

--steffen

| Der Kragenbaer, The moon bear,
| der holt sich munter he cheerfully and one by one
| einen nach dem anderen runter wa.ks himself off
| (By Robert Gernhardt)

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