

Re: *.deb & *.udeb files

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On Fri, Aug 05, 2005 at 01:51:00PM +0200, Johan wrote:

> *Hi list members,*
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> *Bit new to Debian.*
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> *Up to now I only new and read of *.deb files only.*
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> *Now while trying to learn more about Debian I find a lot of *.udeb files on the*
> *cd's.*
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> *On disc 1 there is 1038 .deb files & 145 .udeb files.*
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> *Kindly please what is the difference .. etc.*
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udeb is a transliteration of micro-deb (since u is the closest Roman letter to the Greek mu). They are debs that are used in places like the installer and do not necessarily meet all the policy requirements that a normal deb would. Generally you will never need to mess with them unless you are making/customizing a Debian installer.

–Roberto

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