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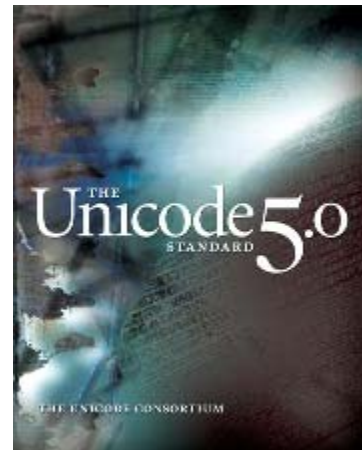
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Unicode Character Database (UCD) Version 5.0.0 and Unicode Collation Algorithm (UCA) Version 5.0 have been released in July.

The Unicode Standard 5.0 is scheduled for publication November 3rd, 2006. The book has 1472 pages. The character contents compared to Unicode 4.0, reflect AMDs 1 and 2 to ISO/IEC 10646:2003. In addition to the new characters, the text of the book has been revised and updated substantially in several ways. New material includes

- Four fifths of the figures
- Two thirds of the definitions
- One third of the conformance clauses
- One fourth of the tables



In addition the complete text of the specifications on Normalization, Line Breaking, Text Boundaries, Identifier Syntax, Bidirectional Algorithm, Script Names and Named Character Sequences, which were previously published online only, have been added to the material in the book.

The Unicode Standard 5.0 was recently made available for [pre-ordering](#) (until Oct. 15). The resonance to this offer has been very encouraging.