

# Emoticon text parser

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Hello,

how do I write a text parser that will detect many ":-)", "]:->" strings so that they can be replaced with small icons a text component? Can someone direct me to some classes which might be useful? Pattern? Looks complicated... BTW there's no real pattern in those codes as I also use custom codes for other symbols, e.g. (cig) oder :cig:, haven't decided that yet...

TIA  
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