AutodocViewer

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1.2   About

The reason I developed the AutodocViewer was that I was tired
of paging the Amiga ROM Kernel and until now I have failed to find any
application to browse the autodoc files in a smooth maner.

The first version of AutodocViewer was made back in 1994, but I was not
entirely satisfied with the concept and completely rewrote the program.
The program has turned out to be most usefull, and as far as I know
no major bugs.

This version was made in 1995 (???), in early 1996 some bugs where

removed.

AutodocViewer was coded in pure assembly. The final v1.0 source code
adds up to 230.258 bytes and the assembled file are on 30.124 bytes.
Since then, even bigger.

1.3 Copyright notes

                AutodocViewer is Copyright 1994-1999
                Ronny Tennebekk
                 and supplied "as is" with
absolutely no waranty.

You may not :
        - Resource, disassemble or in any way alter the contents of
          this package.
        - Sell this program.

You may :
        - Distribute this package in its complete form.
        - Use the package as much as you want.

These are simple rules and we hope you respect our modest demands.

1.4 Future

Currently planed features in future releases are :

- "SEE ALSO" Gadgets, and "RETRACE" button.
- Autodoc editing mode
- Fileviewer for Include files
- Locale support
- Auto arrange windows

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              - Ronny Tennebekk on A1200/A4000 (kickstart 3.1)


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               - Amiga Technologies for bringing Amiga back for the future.
               - Fana Data AS for resonable pricing and support
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A special thank to Tomas Jacobsen for ideas to improve
AutodocViewer during the development.

1.6 Bugs

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                Current Bugs :
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- When use other font than Topaz 8, the centering of text are wrong
  seems like the program calculate the length of the line using the
  wrong fonts.
- Viewer window lacks horizontalt slider.
- Special langugal characters are not sorted properly

If you have any bug reports, or you would like to see any part of
Autodocviewer improved then don't hasitate to contact the
                author
                 .

1.7 Requierments for running AutodocViewer

You will need :

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    - An Amiga, preferably with a harddrive installed.
    - Kickstart V3.0 or higher.
    - Motorola 68020 CPU or higher.
    - Autodocs formated with the CBM's autodoc standard.
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1.8 What is AutodocViewer

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                AutodocViewer is a smart piece of code made by
                Ronny Tennebekk
                 which enables
you to access your autodocs fast and effeciently, and with a standard
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intuitive and highly configurable interface.

AutodocViewer is surely aimed at all developers out there looking for an
easy way to lookup the information found in the CBM's autodocfiles.

1.9   Understanding AutodocViewer

The AutodocViewer basically consist of four windows.
The Groups, Autodocs, functions, and viewer window.

These windows are connected, and their contens operates like a
directory tree. To lookup information on a special function, you
navigate from Groups to the autodoc wich contains the function you
want to lookup. Select the right function, and the viewer window displays
information on how to use this particular function.

See Screenshot of AutodocViewer

The Group windows is for your own arranging of autodocs. You may have
any number of groups, but you must have at least one.
Under each group you add the autodoc files you find appropriate.
The function and viewer windows are updated automatically.

1.10   Quick start

- Run the installer script.
- Start AutodocViewer.
- Pull down the menu, go to "Configuration" and select desired screen type.
- Arange windows the way you like them.
- Pull down the menu, go to "Configuration" and select "Save configuration"
- Pull down the menu, go to "Autodoc" and select "Add group".
- Give the group a name.
- Pull down the menu, go to "Autodoc" and select "Add autodoc"
- Select the autodoc file to add into this group.
- Repeat the last two steps until all autodocs are added.
- Pull down the menu, go to "Autodoc" and select "Save prefs"

You are now ready to go.

1.11   Neat tricks

Here is a list of those little things that make life easier
when using AutodocViewer.

- You can use the TAB key to switch through windows.

- When Group, Autodoc, or Function window are active you may press
  a character on your keyboard (A - Z) to jump to closest match in the list.

– Any windows may be scrolled up and down by the Arrow keys.

– Shift + arrows keys jump one page up or down.

– CTRL + arrows keys jump to the top or bottom of the list.

– For improved filerequester, we recomend a patch like Reqchange.
  (for compatibility we use ASL requesters as default)

1.12   History of AutodocViewer v1.33

AutodocViewer v1.33 History
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First release
Version BETA 1.0 release, had a number of minor bugs.

Version 1.33

Changes from v1.32

 05–05–99 – An iconify feature has been added after many requestes from
 21:56:53   you guys :–)
 09–04–99 – Yet another font bug removed from load config routine...
 17:13:32

Changes from v1.31

 02.04.99 – A minor bug reported from Jean–François Fabre has been removed.
 12:15:19   While having only one group added to the list and rerunning
             AutodocViewer, a DosError requester would appear.
             Even though no autodocs where added, AutodocViewer did try to
             access one. Thanx Jean :–)

 31.03.99 – Many people have pointed out the underscore in requesters,
 10:32:11   I did assume that rtpatch where used heavily out there, but
             I was wrong... All underscores in rtpatched requesters
             has been removed...

Changes from v1.3

 27.03.99 – The configuration and prefs file has been moved to the PROGDIR:
 22:35:51   instead of S: requested by several people. The install script
             will ask you if you want to copy existing files

 27.03.99 – A minor "Work up" in the function window when it's
 22:09:42   empty and resized has been eliminated. Reported by Michael Malyshev

Changes from v1.2

 23.03.99 – Some bugs fixed in Univerzal Configuration
 22:16:24   except for one :–(

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 23.03.99  - A minor bug in the keyboard shortcut
 21:09:06    routine has been corrected

 30.12.98  - A small bug removed in the font change
             operation. Reported by Ron Jensen.
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Changes from v1.1

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 17.11.98  - A more understandable DosError requesters
 20.22.24    has been added.
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Changes from v1.0

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  9.10.98  - Viewers slider levels out when selecting an
 20:20:52    new group or functions.


  9.10.98  - Strange, when viewer window is empty, and
 20:42:10    resizing functions window will allow it
             to refresh it self.

  9.10.98  - Some small optimazations
 23:21:12
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