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Chapter 1

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1.1 SinED II v2.02 User's guide!

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If you are about to include this software on coverdisk or CD-ROM make sure to take a look at the Distribution guidelines.

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- (c) 1995-1998 by Magnus Holmgren <cmh@lls.se>

1.2 Introduction

Introduction

Well, well. Another sample editor, huh? I admit it, but this time it's something different. Or at least it's supposed to be. :/

For a long time I've occasianally needed a sample editor and perhaps a generator for my sample engineering. Sadly there exists not a single program that would contain all features that I want to use, and if some program contained them, then it was so badly programmed that it was completely impossible to use. A perfect example of a program like that is AudioMaster. I'm completely sick'n'tired of that kind of shit and that's why I began to write my own editor. At least this time I get what I want.

So, currently SinED II 2.02 is equipped with powerful arsenal of sample editting effects and of course a possibility to play the samples or even edit them by hand. Effects include several commands that have been seen in other editors, but also a bunch of new ones that should have always been there. Because of the modularity of the main program the effects can always be added, or the previous effect routines can be edited or deleted with no big hazzle. Some of the effects are even written in *very* optimized assembly language, so the speed should not be a problem. At least 060 owners laugh away with SinED II 2.02.

SinED II 2.02 can also calculate few most common waves, like sines. No more whining about that flawless sines cannot be calculated. This time they are not just good, they are excellent. As you might have already read, all calculations are made in 16bit accuracy to make sure that the quality of the samples will never drop below good.

Learn how the effects are calculated so that there will be no more those pathetic programs like AudioMaster. Use the information resources when you can!! If you are interested to see more detailed explanation over the effects, the take a look at the Audio.FAQ section. I'm sure you get some fun out from it.

AudioLab16 is probably the only sampleprogram that I've not seen at all. However, if it's half as good as the readme files say, it beats SinED II 2.02 anytime. I trust that not all people can afford AudioLab16, and I'm not definitiviely thinking that the output of SinED II 2.02 and AudioLab16 differ that much.

I agree that this text was quite a hype, but I suggest you just to try this program. You'll see what I'm talking about.

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1.3 DISCLAIMER

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1.4 Supported wave types

Supported Wave types

SinED II 2.02 has several wave types build-in, so that you could create your own samples, or mix them with other audio data. No more whining about that pure sines do not exist.

Supported wave types are:

Sine: If someone doesn't know this, then I wonder what you've been doing during your math lessons. SinED II 2.02 calculates this wave into the current buffer filling it completely. So, before calculating the wave, you should reduce or enlarge the buffer to the size you wish the wave to be. Purity is ensured by calculating the wave in 16 bit accuracy with 8 decimals.

Saw: Saw wave is calculated with linear interpolatios and like the rest of the waves.

Triangle: Triangular wave is like Sine, but has sharp edges. This wave almost looks like a sine, and sounds like a sine. Even a modulation result sounds the same. Note that when you calculate triangular waves, the buffer

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should be rather large (more than 5kb) because linear interpolations are not the most accurate calculations around and that can make the sample to click.

Box Does this need introduction?

White noise: Oh, boy. White noise with 16bit accuracy. This is what I like. The noise is calculated with C function RangeRand(), which means that the numbers aren't actually random. Everytime you restart the SinED II 2.02, the generator is reset and it begins to spit same numbers over and over again. Hell, who needs this anyway.

Clear: Uhh, does this need introduction either?

1.5 Supported effects

Supported effects

Like (almost) every other so-called soundeditor has at least few of these. In general matter, programs around only know how to boost and perhaps how to filter the sample. This time it will be different. SinED II 2.02 offers you effects that usually are equipped in programs that need DSP or something similar too expensive. Some of the routines may be slow, but that's definitiviely because they need *a lot* of calculations. As I told you, the FPU is recommended.

If you are a programmer, take a look at the detailed explanations about these routines. There is info about these effects in technical way described mainly from the programmer's point of view.

Shortly the effects are:

Balance: This effect functions only with Stereo samples. It basically changes the panning value for the sample. IT supports envelope, so you can make sweeps.

Boost: Increases sample peaks making the sample sound clearer. Using too powerful boost, you can easily make your samples snap, crackle and pop. Note that Boost and filter are combined in SinED II 2.02 so there is no separate gadget for Boost. Just click on the Filter gadget instead.

Filter: Opposite to Boost. Lowering the sample peaks you can smooth the sample and make possible cracking to fade away, but on the other had: too much filter and you won't hear anything from the sample.

Backwards: Flips the sample backwards.

Flip: Flips the sample upside down. Does not actually affect the sound at all.

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Resets user defined values from the sample to zero. Shadow: Usually, especially with speak samples this effect makes them to sound like an insect but by changing the shadow parameter you can get very bizarre results.

- Blur: Increases or decreases each sample value a bit. The sample gets a foggy feeling. This routine can be used with boost. If the sample doesn't seem to be affected by the boost operation, blur it a little and try again.
- Maximize: Increase the volume to maximum without breaking the sample. When maximizing, SinED II 2.02 displays the progress indicator two times. The first time SinED II 2.02 searches for the factor that the sample has to be multiplied with to achieve the loudest volume level. The second indicator then is displaying the actual maximize process.
- Minimize: Decrease the volume to minimum without losing any sample peaks. Minimize is displaying too two progress indicators. No need to panic, just check out the description of Maximize.
- Modulate: Modulation means that the original sample is multiplied with the sample values from another sample waveform. Usually the modulation wave is a normal sine but SinED II 2.02 allows you to use other waves too or even external samples. If you ask me, the modulation results sound best when using Sine waves.
- Mix two samples together. Basically by calculating the averages between the samples. Currently SinED II 2.02 ignores the sample frequences and mix sample valuea at a time. If range is not selected then the mixing is performed from the beginning of the original sample. The size of the result buffer is equal to the original sample. This means that if the sample used in mixing is larger than the original, it will be clipped. If the range is selected then the mixing is performed on this area no matter if the mixing sample is larger or smaller than the range area.
- Echo: Make echo to the sample. Repeat tells how many times the echo has to be repeated. Since version 1.17 the delay parameter is given in milliseconds. Max delay value is 2000 ms which is two seconds. Delay is calculated from the current sample playback frequency so set the frequency to correct value before calculating echo on the sample. Decay is given in percentages and it states how many percentages next echo is from the previous one. Note that too fast echo with too small decay value will produce only almost a blank sample because the sound fades so fast away. SinED II 2.02 tries to prevent this from happening, but it's not always possible. If the buffer is too small for all of the echoes

Note: you've selected, the ones that exceed the buffer limits SinED 7 / 24

are just ignored. If you are using rather large repeat value, it might be best to add some extra work space after the sample. Just in case, you can always clean it up with the CleanUp routine.

UpSample: Shrink the samplebuffer the amount that user defines. This makes the sample sound higher although the playing frequency remains unaltered.

DownSample: Opposite to UpSample. This routine enlarges the sample buffer to make the sample to sound lower although played with normal frequency. Empty sample values are calculated with linear interpolation.

Cleanup: Cleanup cleans up obsolete zero samples from the beginning and from the end of the sample buffer. This effect always affects the whole buffer which means that the possible range selection is always ignored.

Volume slide: With volume slide you can change the volume level of the sample to your own custom level, but like the name says, you can make volume sweeps too. The volume level is given in percentages. So by giving start 100 and end 100 the resulting sample is the same than the original. Be carefuf with this effect. The warning that SinED II 2.02 tells you about clipping is not a joke. If you volume boost your sample too much, it starts to snap, crackle and pop.

Flange: The result wave of this sample is quite hard to explain. You've probably heard flanged samples before so just try this option and you'll see what's it all about. The result is calculated by mixing the waveform into itself with slightly higher frequency. The higher the flange power is, the bigger the frequency difference is and the faster the flange effect will be. The Flange in SinED II 2.02 is slightly different than in other similar programs, because you can create also a closing flange in addition to the opening flange that 'almost' every decent sample program can perform. Since version 1.30 SinED has supported envelopes with flange.

Following 'effects' can be counted in modifiers. Sometimes you see, or at least I've seen samples that have been saved in some very, very odd way. Convert and Translate are used on those samples. If you are very certain that you've really loaded a sample, but it still looks distorted, then try these. They might convert the sample into listenable form.

Convert: Convert restores the sample from unsigned into signed form and vice versa. I don't know how to detect if the sample is unsigned or not, so you have to try this one yourself.

Translate: Translate is used when 16bit sample is saved

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in 'Intel' -format (LSB first). Each sample value (each word, that is), is turned around to convert the waveform into 'Motorola' -format (MSB first). Again I have no idea how to detect whether the sample is saved in 'Intel' or 'Motorola' -way. Try this one if sample looks blank or similar.

1.6 Loading and saving

Loading and Saving

Shareware

version of SinED II 2.02 doesn't allow to save your work. Please encourage me to continue the development of SinED II 2.02 and consider registering if you've not already done it.

Currently SinED II 2.02 handles the following samples successfully:

- IFF-8SVX
- IFF-16SV
- WAV 8-16bit (including 12bit sub-format)
- AIFF 8-16bit
- 8bit RAW
- 16bit RAW

Since version 1.16 SinED can now import and export stereo samples too. All of the formats described above support stereo mode, and $SinED\{ub\}$ can successfully handle them all.

Following subformats are still NOT supported:

- WAV A-Law, WAV U-Law, compressed.
- AIFF 32bit.

If SinED II 2.02 doesn't recognize the samplefile, then you are prompted to choose if the sample has to be loaded as RAW data. As you might imagine, the RAW data doesn't include any headers or other information that it could be identified with.

If you like to see a support for other sound formats, then tell me about it. I think the mentioned are the the most common ones and SinED II 2.02 will do just fine with them.

1.7 Author information

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1.8 Thanks

Thank yous:

Here is a list of people who deserve thanks. Thanks for beta testing, thanks for giving ideas, suggestions and flames. Thanks for the feedback.

Ville Helin Very special thanks for testing and encouraging. Check out the very cool Gameboy emulator

Wzonka-Lad

made my him.

Samu Nuojua Thanks for

SNMA

, the best macro assembler

around for Amiga. All assembly parts of SinED II 2.02 were compiled with SNMA V2.108.

Kari Taskinen Thanks for testing and giving the good ideas.

It may be that I now understand the whole program better from users point of view.

Thomas Wenzel Thanks for the help with exotic sample

formats. Thanks especially for the sources.

All beta testers You know who you are. You've been very helpful.

Big thanks also to the following gentlemen:

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1.9 Shareware notice:

SinED is shareware!:

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Yes, SinED II 2.02 indeed is shareware. I'm strongly encouraging you to register this program. By doing so you encourage me to continue the development of SinED II 2.02. Support the shareware concept and register your quality software today!

If you are registering alone:

If you are registreing SinED II 2.02 for yourself alone you have two possibilities. Pay the registration fee in Finnish marks (FIM) which costs 80 FIM or send your own currency worth of 100 FIM. The second payment method is a little bit higher because I've to change the money myself and that costs 20 FIM each time. 100 FIM is approximately 20 USD (US Dollar) or 35 DEM (Deutsche Mark) or 15 GBP (Pound sterling). Fill the registration form and send it with your payment to

me

If you are registering in group:

If you are registering SinED II 2.02 in group which has two or more persons you may forget the extra 20 FIM I need in order to exchange to money. When registering in group, all of the persons have to fill the registration form and the filled forms have to be sent to me in the same envelope or package to avoid any misunderstandings. The keyfiles are then send to each of you separately, each with own disk. The prices go:

Registrations: Cost each: Cost total:

- 2 75.0 FIM 150 FIM = 30 USD = 50 DEM = 20 GBP
- 3 66.6 FIM 200 FIM = 40 USD = 65 DEM = 25 GBP
- 4 62.5 FIM 250 FIM = 50 USD = 80 DEM = 30 GBP

5 or more 50.0 FIM >250 FIM

1 USD = 5 FIM, 1 DEM = 3 FIM, 1 GPB = 8 FIM.

Remember that when registering SinED II 2.02, you register it to your own personal use! It may not be used by companies or other similar large groups.

Remember to fill, print and send the Registration form .

What you get when you register:

- A keyfile that enables you to save your work.
- Latest version of SinED II 2.02 if you don't already have it. Remember to state the version you are currently using. However, the latest released SinED II 2.02 can be found almost always from Aminet.
- A free disk. Registrations are made with SMail, so I'll buy the disk on which the latest SinED II 2.02 and the keyfile is then sent to you.
- Full right to use the results that you've created with SinED II 2.02 anywhere you like.

Note these facts when you register:

- I don't have EMail address, but you may use my little brothers one

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to contact me: jack@lyyra.kempele.fi
- Place the keyfile in PROGDIR:

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Thank you.

1.10 Gadget information

Gadget information

SinED II 2.02 has thousand gadgets that do several different things. If you have difficulties in figuring out which gadget does what and so on, just peek the list below:

Sample window:

Cut Cuts the marked part from waveform and copies it in the copybuffer. The marked part is removed from the waveform.

Copy Copy does the same than Cut but is leaves the original waveform unaltered.

Paste Paste operation pastes the contents of copybuffer to the original waveform. You may select whether you want to overwrite or insert the data.

Swap Swap swaps the contents of copybuffer and the mainbuffer.

Zm in This one zooms in to the area you have marked. If the marked area is smaller than 64 bytes, SinED II 2.02 will use 64 byte range instead.

Zm out Zoom out enlarges the view a bit if you had previously zoomed in.

All All gadget displays the total waveform.

Left/Right/both This gadget lets you to select which channel of the sample is affected when you edit it.

If the sample is in mono mode, this gadget has no effect. Note too that Upsample, Downsample and Cleanup are not affected by this switch.

If the sample is in stereo -mode, both of the channels are *always* altered!

Playsample window:

Play waveform This gadget playbacks the whole waveform without displaying the progress meter. if the sample is in stereo mode, both channels are playbacked.

Play display This gadget plays the current waveform that is

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displayed. The progress meter is visible too.
  Play range This playbacks the selected range.
  Stop playback Just what it says.
  Play L. wavefrm Plays the left channel waveform in total.
  Play L. display Plays the left channel display.
  Play L. range Plays the range you've selected for left
      channel.
  Play R. wavefrm \
  Play R. display |- These three do the same for Right channel.
  Play R. range /
Drum generator:
  Gadget matrix These gadgets let you to describe the sample
      sequence you want SinED II 2.02 to calculate. Each
      horizontal line presents one sample sequence
      and each vertical line one time interval.
         Lets you to define the speed factor for the
      drummachine mixing process.
  Calculate This one commands SinED II 2.02 to calculate the
      current sample sequence.
  Clear Cleans up the sequences you have entered.
Effect Window:
  See descriptions in
               effects
               page.
Wave Window:
  See descriptions in
               waves
               page.
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1.11 History

History list: ----v2.02 19th May 1998

MAJOR:

- BIG MISTAKE FIXED! Loading routines could crash if a mono sample
 was loaded. Data could leak into zero address and you know what
 happens then. This problem was mainly with WAV samples. Now Fixed.
- If loading routines failed with insufficient memory, some of the temporary buffers could be left unallocated. Now fixed.
- Loading option 'Mono -> Stereo' didn't work. The right channel was loaded into random memory, in bad occasions causing a crash.
- Fixed a bug that caused a crash in some cases when samples were played from keyboard.
- IFF-8SVX stereo and IFF-16SV stereo loading routines were not compiled with the rest of SinED. Now Fixed.
- \cdot Added following NEW tooltypes:
 - OWNSCREEN/S: Force SinED to open its own public screen.
 - SCWIDTH/N: Width for above screen.
 - SCHEIGHT/N: Height for above screen.

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- SCDEPTH/N: Depth for above screen.
- SCMODE/K: Screen mode for above screen.
- USESCREQ/S: Use screenmode requester instead of above values.
- IGNOREPREFS/S: Ignore prefs file at startup.
- Documents updated to 2.02. All the new features of SinED 2.0+ were undocumented. Sorry, I forgot.:)

MINOR:

- · Included a new version of Paula driver for AHI. v4.19.
- \cdot 060 version contains now the right check for CPU, and will not run on any less than 060.
- Sample windows 'Len:' and 'Offset:' texts were typed into >nil: in some cases. Now fixed.
- · Removed some unused and obsolete code.
- · New icon files included. (Made by David M. White, thanks Dave.)

v2.00 26th April 1998

MAJOR:

- · Loading routines rewritten. No more wasting memory for nothing. Progress meter is now attached in it, too.
- SinED now launches from workbench normally. My startup code was actually buggy as hell. :P~ Anyway, now fixed.
- Added a parameter parser. Currently following parameters are supported: (More will follow.)
 - FILE : Samplefilename to be loaded after startup.
 - PUBSCREEN $\,$: Name of the PubScreen SinED is wanted to open on.

Normal cli commandline applies as well as tooltypes.

USAGE: FILE/K, PUBSCREEN/K.

- · If you zoomed in and cut too much of the sample dropping rangelen to zero, the machine would crash. Now fixed.
- Reordered the 'Edit' -menu and added a new and needed features 'Range All', 'Range Half', 'Clear all' and 'Show all'

MINOR:

- · Progress meters update now more frequently.
- If a gadget is in OFF -state, it will no longer be trashed with other graphics.
- · Fixed in FileRequester:
 - Doesn't lose the filename anymore.
 - Uses user defined pattern in pattern gadget.
 - Default: "#?.(iff|aiff|wav|raw)"
 - Has separate Load and Save -modes. In Save-mode you cannot for example use doubleclick feature anymore.
- · Sample loader didn't check for unsupported samples correctly. Especially WAV's didn't work. Now fixed.
- Proportional gadgets seemed to have more or less problems.
 Especially in Playsample and SampleDisplay -windows'. Should be fixed now.
- \cdot Volume scale changed from 0-65535 to 0-255.
- · Save and Edit routines optimized a bit.
- \cdot FPU version of SinED didn't check for 020+ CPU although it was required. Now fixed.
- · Save selector and option windows weren't font sensitive. Now Fixed.
- Made new icons for SinED. They look awful, could somebody help me with these??

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V1.30 11th January 1998

- New effect 'Balance' added.
- Bugs fixed that caused SinED to complain "Unable to open display!"
- Flange rewritten. It's now at least 200% faster and supports envelopes.
- New save selector. Much more clearer.
- Save routine rewritten. The old routine wasted A LOT of memory. The current one is more flexible and more friendly to the system.
- New version (v4.180) of AHI.device included in the package.
- Progress indicator can now be disabled. This makes effects go faster on more powerful machines.
- A bug in progress meter fixed that in some cases caused the meter to be very quiet.
- You can now use keyboard to play samples exactly like in ProTracker. Try it!

V1.17 8th August 1997

- Program structure rewritten to reduce unneeded memory access. The environment should be faster and more reliable.
- Echo accepts the 'Delay' parameter now in milliseconds.
- 5 enforcer hits removed.
- Bug in playsample routine fixed that caused the progress indicator to move incorrect speed. Now the meter should be more accurate.
- Some updates made to documents.

V1.15 14th July 1997

- SinED now uses shared IDCMP port for all of the windows. If you have experienced any unexpected delays or slow response from the windows, the troubles should be gone now. (The delay problem seemed to be a 060 specific problem.)
- STEREO samples are now supported! I dropped the plans for surround mode, because only AIFF supports surround modes. Mail me if you prefer to see support for surround samples.
- Preferences window added. SinED{ub} is again a bit more configurable.
- All mixing is now made in 32bit accuracy. This prevents all possible sample losses during mixing operations. Following effects are affected: Mix, Echo, Mix, Modulate and DrumMachine.
- Some effects are assembly optimized. I've taken special care that the effect loops fit in caches to be as fast as possible.
- Long waited ENVELOPE requester is here!! Envelopes can now be used with the most of the effects. Just try it.
- Bug fixed in Trianle routine. I hope it finally works.
- In conclusion this version is quite major release. New and fantastic bugs may occur.

V1.10 24th May 1997

- Uh, the 1.01 was quite buggy, sorry...:)
- Recompiled. It seems that V1.01 had some troubles that prevented it from running in certain systems. Hopefully the problems are gone.
- Mix didn't work with external samples. Fixed.
- Drumgenerator rewritten and several bugs fixed. DrumGenerator is now a SinED{ub} module, which means that the internal multitasking continues even the DrumGenerator window is open. Sample sequences are stored in memory and even the drumsamples are not flushed on exit. You can close the window without hesitation and reopen it

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- anytime to continue the work with it. Much more user-friendly.
- Due to modularity, you may now use the playsample window to control the playback in the DrumMachine. Frequency and volume can be altered, and the sample playback can be stopped.
- Screen refresh rate detection could fail in some cases, especially with machines with GFX card. This should be fixed now. Statistics window now shows the detected rate with CPU and possible FPU.
- Filter effect changed from linear to logaritmic. It needs more calculations but is far more efficient.
- A lot of small modifications and bug fixes made. SinED should be more reliable now.

V1.01 15th May 1997.

- First public aminet release.
- Support for asl.library removed and reqtools.library is used instead. Version 38 or above is required.
- Playback is now handled through ahi.device. Version 4 or above is requred. Note that only include driver is for PAULA. If you own a special sound card, download the ahi.package and install the drivers there.
- Added a background picture. If you prefer not to see the picture, just delete or rename it.
- *A lot* of small modifications and bug fixes since last version.
- V1.0 (Several versions from September 1996 to April 1997)
 - More or less beta versions were used by certain persons. Only for internal use.

1.12 Source Details:

Fancy Details:

SinED II v2.02 is completely written in C. In the beginning it was compiled with GNU C 2.7.0.1 but later I upgraded my compiler to StormC V1.1.1 The source code consists of 8400 lines of C code and about 1000 lines of assembly code excluding header and include files. The total compilation with all possible optimizations takes about 15 minutes and 10 (yes, ten) megabytes of memory.

As you can see I've spent numerous hours working with SinED II 2.02. Registration of SinED II 2.02 is the least you can do to support my work. That is if you use SinED II 2.02 constantly.

Source size: Object size: (bytes)

Defs.h 15120 GlobalConstants.h 5556 Prototypes.h 5714

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Effects/UpSam	ole.c	2848	1420			
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SinED881	121872					
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SinED II 2.02 is quite a beast!

1.13 Wzonka-Lad

This is the .readme file of the Wzonka-Lad. Download it now!!

Short: Wzonka-Lad - Gameboy emulator v0.62.

Uploader: vhelin@cc.hut.fi (Ville Helin)
Author: vhelin@cc.hut.fi (Ville Helin)

Type: misc/emu

Requires: mc68020 or better and 3MB memory.

Version: 0.62

Replaces: misc/emu/wzonka-lad*

A new 100% asm coded Gameboy emulator. Wzonka-Lad is still in its early stages, but many games are playable.

v0.62 (05-Apr-97)

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1.14 Samu Nuojua's Macro assembler

This is the .readme file of the SNMA. Download it now!

Short: 680x0/6888x amiga macro assembler

Type: dev/asm

Author: snuojua@cc.helsinki.fi (Samu Nuojua) Uploader: snuojua@cc.helsinki.fi (Samu Nuojua)

Replaces: snma-2.02.*

SNMA is freeware conditional $680 \times 0/688 \times$ macro assembler for the Amiga. It supports the most common directives, generates Amiga object-files and/or executables. It is used mainly from the shell. Arexx port. AmigaOS 2.0 and greater only. AmigaGuide docs only. This is version 2.03.

New features in 2.x:

- Options setting program, SnmaOpts
- some minor changes and additions + bugs fixed

Changes since 2.02:

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- o One bug fixed from the option file loading, which caused random crash.
- o Bitfields can be defined like "<ea>, {o:w}".
- o Some movec problems disappeared (this one is little mysterious, since I didn't touch the whole movec thing).
- o In ARexx mode, snma could flag some addressing modes as invalid, because certain data structures had spurious values left from the previous assembly.
- o ARexx SET command works again.
- o In (BD,An,Xn) register equates, which started with z, were not recognized.
- o QUIET switch disables now all output to Output().
- o If expression ended to operator, snma read one long from the address which was fetched from the string (one indirection too much). This could cause buserr exception in 68000, depending on value it read.
- o @ character is now normal symbol character, by default.
 @ character in the beginning of symbol meant octal number specifier.
 Since SAS/C uses it in the beginning of __regargs function names,
 its behaviour has been changed. Use OCT commandline toggle to
 allow octal numbers. There was also a bug, which caused no error
 telling in @symbol case, when it was actually coded as octal number
 unsuccessfully.
- 2.02 fixes the following bugs since 2.02:

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- o BSS sections didn't honor mem type bits.
- o Sometimes pc-relative addressing modes allowed small data references. (if small data references were allowed).
- o RTM was coded badly.
- o Forcing Base Displacement to word or long didn't work always.
- o " macro <macroname>" finally works.

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SnmaOpts

- o Some checkbox gadgets were mixed with each other
- o If started from project icon, doesn't try to read project file as option file if it doesn't exist.

1.15 Requirements

Hardware and software requirements:

SinED II 2.02 actually requires very little. Needed software are:

- Kickstart v2.04+
- Reqtools.library V38+ (included, copy to Libs:)
- Iffparse.library V37+ (included, copy to libs:)
- AHI.device V4+ (included, copy to Devs:)
- Gadtools.library V37+ (not included)
- Mathieeedoubbas.library V37+ (not included)
- Diskfont.library any version (not included)
- Utility.library (not included)
- SetPatch

I've included the latest AHI at this time in this package. Only included driver is for Paula. If you own a special sound card, just download the AHI package and install the drivers from it. Use the prefs program 'AHI' to configure the device. SinED II 2.02 uses the AHI_DEFAULT_UNIT, which is unit 0, and the default settings you've defined with the AHI prefs program. The latest AHI can be always found from:

http://www.lysator.liu.se/~lcs/ahi.html

Required hardware are:

- Amiga.. :D (I hope not for long, though. I've planned to recompile SinED II 2.02 under Linux.)
- About 300kb of any memory for the program itself. Samples can then take awfully lot of memory but that's another story.
- SinED060 will not run on any other than 060 CPU.
- SinED881 requires 020+ CPU and maths co-processor. 040 and 060 will also do just fine.
- SinEDIEEE is compiled to run on mc68000 without maths co-processor so no special hardware is needed.

SinED II 2.02 was tested with following configurations:

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A1200/mc68020, 2MB Chip, 16MB Fast, KS v40.68, WB v39.29
A1200/mc68030/68882, 2MB Chip, 16MB Fast, KS v40.68, WB v39.29
A1200/mc68060, 2MB Chip, 16MB Fast, KS v40.68, WB v39.29
A1200-060 (tower), 2MB Chip, 48MB Fast, KS v40.68, WB v40.42
A4000/mc68040, 2MB Chip, 8MB Fast, KS v40.68, WB v40.42
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SinED at least seems to fly on these machines.

1.16 Distribution

Distribution conditions:

Shareware version of SinED II 2.02 is freely distributable if:

- All files are included in the package unaltered.
- Only minor payment to cover copying costs is allowed. Absolutely no more than \$5 USD

SinED II 2.02 can be included in coverdisks and CD-ROMs but if that's done, I'd be grateful to have a free copy of that magazine/coverdisk/CD-ROM. Check out my

address

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Reqtools.library is copyrighted

- (c) 1991-1994 by Nico François <nico@augfl.se>
- (c) 1995-1998 by Magnus Holmgren <cmh@lls.se>

1.17 Drummachine instructions:

Drummachine instructions:

This is heavy. I wonder what you can do with this beast. Well, you said it: drumfills. Yes, this is not about creating drumsamples from scratch, as some of you might already think there. What you need in order to use Drumfill generator is decent drumsamples and a good sence of rhythm. With your instructions SinED II 2.02 calclates a drumfill for you, which can then be used in music modules or similar.

Sample sequences:

SinED II 2.02 allows you to mix 8 drumsamples at a time. Sample sequences tell SinED II 2.02 when each of the samples has to be played. You don't need to worry how rapidly you use the sequences. SinED II 2.02 calculates the final drumfill in a way that no sample fades away because of another. All drum samples are audible from the beginning to the end.

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So, the delay factor in the upper right corner of the window tells you how many bytes is the delay between one sample sequences. This depends on the length of your drum samples. Let's say that the length of your bassdrum is about 4500 bytes. Then you can imagine that if you leave each time three empty sequence slots between the bassdrums, the delay factor should be around 4500/4 = 1200 to make sure that the bassdrum is audible in total.

If you can't imagine that story above, just try selecting the delay factor to 1500 and then test the sample to find out the correct delay factor.

SinED II 2.02 allows you to use 32 sequence slots, but if you are about to create a very fast drumfill, 16 might suit you better. In this case just fill the first 16 as you would do normally and calculate the sample. Then just halve the buffer size using the length gadget in sample window and the result is exactly what you want it to be.

Note: After creating a drumfill, you may want to maximize or volume slide it to raise the volume level to your cutsom value. The drum machine does not give maximized waveform as output.

Note2: Drumgenerator is basically just a mixing machine. If you like, you can use it to mix 8 samples at a time together.

Load and test gadgets:

With load gadget you can load a single sample for that row. Each row has its own control gadgets. If there is a star (*) next to the load gadget, it indicates that you've already loaded a sample for that row. If you have forgotten what the sample was, just press the Test button. Playback can be controlled with PlaySample window. The frequency and volume can be altered, and the playback can be stopped.

DrumGenerator works now in parallel with other windows. This means that if you are generating a drumfill with the generator, you don't need to close and cancel it to do something else. Just push the window background or close it, the changes are saved in memory.

If you wish to unload a sample from a row, just press the load gadget and the cancel the requester.

1.18 General notes:

General Notes:

Here is a list of general notes on the usage of SinED II 2.02. Sometimes you may find a frustrating feature and want to kill me, but before that read the list here, just in case that you might have forgotten someting.

You can consider this list also as "known bugs".

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- Always when you change the version of SinED II 2.02, delete the old preference files you might have. ENV:SinED.prefs and ENVARC:SinED.prefs. SinED II 2.02 notices if the format of prefs file is changed and ignores the incompatible version, but still by deleting the old prefs file you make sure that no troubles encounter.

- The menus probably look old fashioned with your machine, but that's excatly I've meant them to be. Somewhy newlook menus are not working with me. If I use them, I just get a result that no menus are visible, only the menuitem texts can be seen. I've no idea is the bug in my code or is there something conflicting with SinED II 2.02 like MultiCX, but until I resolve that, the menus stay old fashioned.
- Currently only your amount of memory is the limit for the actions. However, there is a slight possibility that you are about to edit a track that you've just sampled from your favourite CD. The sample is 16bit RAW and takes approximately 80 Megabytes of memory. Nobody has a memory of that kind. That's why I've been planning to add a feature to SinED II 2.02 which allows you to calculate the effects directly on the sample that lies on your harddisk without loading it into memory at all. This would make the editting of HUGE samples possible but the results would be permanent as you can imagine.

1.19 Preferences

Preference settings:

This page shows the setting possibilities that you are allowed to choose in this version of SinED II 2.02. Default for all of the settings is OFF.

- DirectEdit -mode

DirectEdit -mode is meant to give a opportunity to edit samples that are larger than your total amount of memory. When this flag is activated, none of the samples are actually loaded into memory at all. They are edited on the disk directly. As you can imagine, if the sample file is altered, the change is very permanent and cannot be cancelled. Therefore you should have a backup of the samples that you are about to edit with DirectEdit -mode.

DirectEdit -mode is not yet fully functional and is disabled in this version of SinED II 2.02.

- Display warnings
 - This option tells SinED II 2.02 to shut up, even if it noticed something that could cause trouble. This flag should be activated, since SinED II 2.02 doesn't display warnings if not absolutely necessary.
- Confirm quit This tells whether SinED II 2.02 should display "Are you sure to quit?" message or not.
- Maximize
 This flag tells SinED II 2.02 always to maximize the sample before saving.

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Especially with 8bit samples, they should be maximized before saving to achieve the best dynamics. This flag uses the maximize routine to maximize the sample, so the result is exactly the same if you used the maximize effect before saving.

- Analyze sample

Analyzing sample means that when SinED II 2.02 loads a sample file, it automaticly calculates some of needed variables. Currently this doesn't do anything else than seek the highest absolute value from the sample, but it may change in the future. Highest absolute value can be used for example with maximize and minimize routines, to halve the normal time needed to calculate the effects.

This option is not implemented yet either!

- Mono -> Stereo
 - This flag tells SinED II 2.02 to convert mono samples always to stereo when imported to SinED II 2.02. The conversion can be done later manually too.
- No Gfx

This flag tells SinED II 2.02 whether the background picture is needed or not. If you don't like it or you have troubles with it. Just disable

Obsolete since SinED II v2.02

- No progress meter

You may disable the progress meter with this switch. It speeds up the calculations on faster machines.

1.20 SinED parameters:

SinED tooltypes/parameters:

From version 2.00 SinED has accepted a number of different parametes. Note that all of the commandline parameters and tooltypes override the existing values in a prefs file. The usage of SinED is basically quite simple:

FILE/K, PUBSCREEN/K, OWNSCREEN/S, SCWIDTH/N, SCHEIGHT/N, SCDEPTH/N, SCMODE/K, USESCREG/S, IGNOREPREFS/S:

FILE/K: This tooltype tells SinED to load a sample on startup. If you are about to edit a one certain sample, then it might be handy to be able to type like: "SinED881 file="dh0:samples/sample.aiff" or similar without hazzling with requesters. If the file doesn't exist, then this keyword is ignored. (Default: NULL)

PUBSCREEN/K: This is the name of the public screen that SinED is wanted to be opened on. If the screen with this name doesn't exist, then SinED will fall back to default public screen, which probably is your WorkBench

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Screen.

(Default: NULL)

OWNSCREEN/S: This boolean flag tells SinED if it should open its own public screen. If this flag is defined, then the PUBSCREEN/K keyword is ignored and SCWIDTH/N, SCHEIGHT/N, SCDEPTH/N and SCMODE/N are seeked instead. This option may come in hand if you do not use a public screen manager and your Workbench screen is too crowded. If SinED fails to open the custom screen, then it will fall back to open itself on publicscreen defined by PUBSCREEN/K or, by default, open on the WorkBench screen.

(Default: FALSE)

Following five tooltypes are completely ignored if OWNSCREEN/S if not defined!!

- SCWIDTH/N: This number defines the screen width for the screen SinED has to open by itself. If OWNSCREEN/S is not defined then this number is ignored.

 (Default: 640)
- SCHEIGHT/N: This number defines the screen height for the screen SinED has to open by itself. If OWNSCREEN/S is not defined then this number is ignored.

 (Default: 400)
- SCDEPTH/N: This number defines the screen depth for the screen SinED has to open by itself. If OWNSCREEN/S is not defined then this number is ignored. Note that minimum screen depth is 2 and maximum is 8. That makes color scale to run from 4 to 256.

 (Default: 2)
- SCMODE/K: This hexadecimal number defines the screen mode for the screen SinED has to open by itself. If OWNSCREEN/S is not defined, then this number is ignored. Remember that this value must NOT include the 0x or \$ prefixes. If you include them, then it's you who are responsible of wrong screen modes!!

 (Default: 0x19004 = NTSC:Hires Laced)
- USESCREQ/S: If you want to use own public screen with SinED but are too tired to type in the above four variables, then you may optionally use screenmode requester. First define OWNSCREEN/S and then USESCREQ/S and a requester will pop on startup. This switch is ignored is OWNSCREEN/S is not defined. This switch also overrides all of the above numbers if the are present. (Default: FALSE)
- IGNOREPREFS/S: This switch tells SinED to ignore current prefs file. I added this mainly because I tested different setups for SinED and I didn't want to delete the prefs file all the time.

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(Default: FALSE)