

MBS Xojo AudioPlayer Kit

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About the MBS Xojo AudioPlayer Kit

The MBS Xojo AudioPlayer Kit provides you with a few useful classes for audio playback on OS X and iOS and midi playback on OS X.

The Kit contains:

- Wrapper for iOS AudioPlayer class in AVFoundation
 - AVAudioPlayerMB class
 - AVErrrorMB class
- Midi Player class to use Apple's midi synthesizer
 - MidiPlayerMB class
- Sample application

AudioPlayer

The AudioPlayer Kit contains a wrapper for AVAudioPlayer class:

Features

- Play sounds loaded from memory and file
- Events like DidFinishPlaying
- Audio Channel assignment
- average and peak power per channel
- volume, pan and rate controls
- play, pause and stop methods
- query/set current position

Wrapper Features

- For new Xojo framework
- Using exception handling to track error
- Using enums for safer constant passing
- Test code included
- All classes with MB postfix to avoid name conflicts.
- All module definitions are protected to avoid conflicts
- Inline documentation
- Full Source code, no encryption
- Works for 32bit and 64bit targets.

MidiPlayer

The AudioPlayer Kit contains a midi player class:

Features

- Open digital synthesizer for midi note playback
- query instruments and set instrument per channel
- send midi notes
- Start and Stop method
- Volume, Tuning, Reverbvolume properties
- query CPU load

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Limitations

- While we can compile for iOS and include a sample project, Apple does not include the synthesizer component with current iOS versions.
- Accuracy of timing is limited to Xojo's timer precision.

Interfaces

AVErrorMB

Class AVErrorMB

ComputedProperty code **As Integer**

Sub Get()

get error code

ComputedProperty domain **As Text**

Sub Get()

get error domain

ComputedProperty localizedDescription **As Text**

Sub Get()

get localized error description

Sub Constructor(Handle **as Integer**, Retain **as Boolean**)

Create from Handle

Sub Destructor()

Cleanup

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Property Handle **As Integer**

End Class

AVAudioPlayerMB

Class AVAudioPlayerMB

ComputedProperty URL **As Text**

Sub Get()

Returns nil if object was not created with a URL.

ComputedProperty currentTime **As Double**

Sub Set()

If the sound is playing, currentTime is the offset into the sound of the current playback position. If the sound is not playing, currentTime is the offset into the sound where playing would start.

Sub Get()

The playback point, in seconds, within the timeline of the sound associated with the audio player. If the sound is playing, currentTime is the offset of the current playback position, measured in seconds from the start of the sound. If the sound is not playing, currentTime is the offset of where playing starts upon calling the play method, measured in seconds from the start of the sound.

By setting this property you can seek to a specific point in a sound file or implement audio fast-forward and rewind functions.

ComputedProperty deviceCurrentTime **As Double**

Sub Get()

returns the current time associated with the output device

ComputedProperty duration **As Double**

Sub Get()

Returns the total duration, in seconds, of the sound associated with the audio player.

ComputedProperty enableRate **As Boolean**

Sub Set()

A Boolean value that specifies whether playback rate adjustment is enabled for an audio player.

To enable adjustable playback rate for an audio player, set this property to true after you initialize the player and before you call the prepareToPlay instance method for the player.

Sub Get()

ComputedProperty meteringEnabled **As Boolean**

Sub Set()

A Boolean value that specifies the audio-level metering on/off state for the audio player.

The default value for the meteringEnabled property is off (Boolean false).

Before using metering for an audio player, you need to enable it by setting this property to true.

Sub Get()

ComputedProperty numberOfChannels **As integer**

Sub Get()

The number of audio channels in the sound associated with the audio player.

ComputedProperty numberOfLoops **As integer**

Sub Set()

The number of times a sound will return to the beginning, upon reaching the end, to repeat playback.

A value of 0, which is the default, means to play the sound once.

Set a positive integer value to specify the number of times to return to the start and play again.

For example, specifying a value of 1 results in a total of two plays of the sound.

Set any negative integer value to loop the sound indefinitely until you call the stop method.

Sub Get()

ComputedProperty pan **As Single**

Sub Set()

The audio player's stereo pan position.

By setting this property you can position a sound in the stereo field.

A value of -1.0 is full left, 0.0 is center, and 1.0 is full right.

Sub Get()

ComputedProperty playing **As Boolean**

Sub Get()

A Boolean value that indicates whether the audio player is playing (true) or not (false).

To find out when playback has stopped implement the DidFinishPlaying event.

ComputedProperty rate **As Single**

Sub Set()

The audio player's playback rate.

This property's default value of 1.0 provides normal playback rate.
The available range is from 0.5 for half-speed playback through 2.0 for double-speed playback.

To set an audio player's playback rate, you must first enable rate adjustment as described in the enableRate property description.

Sub Get()

ComputedProperty volume **As Single**

Sub Set()

The playback volume for the audio player, ranging from 0.0 through 1.0 on a linear scale.

Sub Get()

Sub Constructor(Handle **as Integer**, Retain **as Boolean**)

Create from Handle

Sub Constructor(Data **as MemoryBlock**, **byref** error **as AVErrrorMB**)

Initializes and returns an audio player for playing a designated memory buffer.

Sub Constructor(Data **as MemoryBlock**, **utiString** **as Text**, **byref** error **as AVErrrorMB**)

Initializes audio with MemoryBlock

Sub Constructor(URL **as Text**, **byref** error **as AVErrrorMB**)

Initializes and returns an audio player for playing a designated sound file.

Sub Constructor(URL **as Text**, **utiString** **as Text**, **byref** error **as AVErrrorMB**)

Initializes audio with URL

Sub Constructor(file **as folderitem**, **byref** error **as AVErrrorMB**)

Initializes audio with FolderItem

Sub Constructor(file **as folderitem**, **utiString** **as Text**, **byref** error **as AVErrrorMB**)

Initializes audio with FolderItem

Sub Destructor()

Cleanup

Function averagePowerForChannel(channel **as integer**) **As single**

Returns the average power for a given channel, in decibels, for the sound being played.

channel: The audio channel whose average power value you want to obtain. Channel numbers are zero-indexed. A monaural signal, or the left channel of a stereo signal, has channel number 0.

Returns a floating-point representation, in decibels, of a given audio channel's current average power. A return value of 0 dB indicates full scale, or maximum power; a return value of -160 dB indicates minimum power (that is, near silence).

If the signal provided to the audio player exceeds \pm full scale, then the return value may exceed 0 (that is, it may enter the positive range).

To obtain a current average power value, you must call the updateMeters method before calling this method.

Function channelAssignments() **As Integer**()

The channels property lets you assign the output to play to specific channels as described by AVAudioSession's channels property

This property is nil valued until set.

The array must have the same number of channels as returned by the numberOfChannels property.

Sub pause()

Pauses playback; sound remains ready to resume playback from where it left off.

Calling pause leaves the audio player prepared to play;

it does not release the audio hardware that was acquired upon calling play or prepareToPlay.

Function peakPowerForChannel(channel **as integer**) **As single**

Returns the peak power for a given channel, in decibels, for the sound being played.

channel: The audio channel whose peak power value you want to obtain. Channel numbers are zero-indexed. A monaural signal, or the left channel of a stereo signal, has channel number 0.

Returns a floating-point representation, in decibels, of a given audio channel's current peak power. A return value of 0 dB indicates full scale, or maximum power; a return value of -160 dB indicates minimum power (that is, near silence).

If the signal provided to the audio player exceeds \pm full scale, then the return value may exceed 0 (that is, it may enter the positive range).

To obtain a current peak power value, you must call the updateMeters method before calling this method.

Function play() **As Boolean**

plays sound. sound is played asynchronously.

Calling this method implicitly calls the prepareToPlay method if the audio player is not already prepared to play.

Function playAtTime(time as Double) As Boolean

Plays a sound asynchronously, starting at a specified point in the audio output device's timeline. time is an absolute time based on and greater than deviceCurrentTime.

Function prepareToPlay() As Boolean

Prepares the audio player for playback by preloading its buffers.

Calling this method preloads buffers and acquires the audio hardware needed for playback, which minimizes the lag between calling the play method and the start of sound output.

Calling the stop method, or allowing a sound to finish playing, undoes this setup.

Sub setChannelAssignments(values() as Integer)

The channels property lets you assign the output to play to specific channels as described by AVAudioSession's channels property

This property is nil valued until set.

The array must have the same number of channels as returned by the numberOfChannels property.

Sub stop()

Stops playback and undoes the setup needed for playback.

Calling this method, or allowing a sound to finish playing, undoes the setup performed upon calling the play or prepareToPlay methods.

The stop method does not reset the value of the currentTime property to 0.

In other words, if you call stop during playback and then call play, playback resumes at the point where it left off.

Sub updateMeters()

Refreshes the average and peak power values for all channels of an audio player.

To obtain current audio power values, you must call this method before calling averagePowerForChannel or peakPowerForChannel.

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Property Data As MemoryBlock

nil if object was not created with a MemoryBlock

Property Handle As Integer

End Class

MidiPlayerMB

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Class MidiPlayerMB
ComputedProperty CPUload As Single
    Sub Get()
        Returns a short-term running average of the current CPU load
ComputedProperty IsRunning As Boolean
    Sub Get()
ComputedProperty MaxCPUload As Single
    Sub Get()
        Returns the max CPU load of the graph since this call was last made or the graph was last started.
ComputedProperty ReverbVolume As Single
    Sub Set()
    Sub Get()
ComputedProperty StreamFromDisk As Boolean
    Sub Set()
        set StreamFromDisk
    Sub Get()
        StreamFromDisk?
ComputedProperty Tuning As Single
    Sub Set()
    Sub Get()
ComputedProperty UsesInternalReverb As Boolean
    Sub Set()
        set to use internal reverb
    Sub Get()
        uses internal reverb?
ComputedProperty Volume As Single
    Sub Set()
    Sub Get()
ComputedProperty instrumentCount As Integer
    Sub Get()
        query number of instruments
Sub Constructor(WithMatrixReverb as Boolean, Start as Boolean = false)
    initialize the midi player
Sub Destructor()
    Cleanup
Sub SendMidiEvent(Status as Integer, Data1 as Integer, Data2 as Integer, OffsetSampleFrame as Integer)
    sends midi event
Sub Start()
    start playback
Sub Stop()
    stop playback
Function channelInstrument(channel as integer) As integer
    query which instrument is on which channel
Function instrumentIDAtIndex(InstrumentIndex as integer) As Integer
    query id of instrument
Function nameOfInstrument(InstrumentID as integer) As text
    query name of instrument
Sub setInstrument(Channel as Integer, instrumentID as Integer)
    sets instrument
Note "DataTypes"
    AUGraph = pointer to struct OpaqueAUGraph -> Integer or Ptr
    AudioUnit = pointer to struct ComponentInstanceRecord -> Integer or Ptr
    AUNode = Int32
Property LastError As Integer
Property filterNode As Integer
Property graphHandle As Integer
Property mChannelInstrument(15) As Integer
Property outputNode As Integer
Property synthNode As Integer
End Class
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Version History

Tip: If you want to update your existing code with new release, you'd best compare projects with Arbed (<http://www.tempel.org/Arbed>) and copy modifications to your project.

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- Fixed bug in nameOfInstrument function.
- Uses different codes now to initialize sampler on iOS, so Midi Player works there.
- Added LoadPreset and LoadFromDLSOrSoundFont
- Updated for Xojo 2019r1

1.0, first release

Installation

To get your projects working with this AudioPlayer Kit, you need to follow a few steps.

Drop the folder „externals“ into your project and access all the common crypto or zip modules and classes. Or copy from existing example projects what you need.

Requirements

You need Xojo 2015r1 or newer.

We did not test with older versions, but you can if you need.

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