

AlsaPlayer Reference Manual

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Chapter 1

AlsaPlayer Data Structure Index

1.1 AlsaPlayer Data Structures

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AlsaPlayer File Index

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Chapter 3

AlsaPlayer Data Structure Documentation

3.1 `_input_object` Struct Reference

```
#include <input_plugin.h>
```

Data Fields

- int `ready`
- int `flags`
- int `nr_frames`
- int `nr_tracks`
- int `nr_channels`
- int `frame_size`
- void * `local_data`
- char * `path`
- pthread_mutex_t `object_mutex`

3.1.1 Detailed Description

This is a structure that keeps frequently used parameters of an input instance. It also contains a pointer to any `local_data` that might be allocated by the plugin itself.

3.1.2 Field Documentation

3.1.2.1 `int _input_object::ready`

Flag that should be set to 1 if your plugin is ready to accept `play_frame()` callback

3.1.2.2 `int _input_object::flags`

Stream specific flags that should be set in the `open()` call. Read the description of the `P_*` definitions for details.

3.1.2.3 `int _input_object::nr_frames`

The total number of frames in the stream. Should be set in the `open()` call.

3.1.2.4 `int _input_object::nr_tracks`

The number of tracks, if any, in the stream. Should be set in the `open()` call.

3.1.2.5 `int _input_object::nr_channels`

The number of PCM channels in the stream. Should always be 2 at this time.

3.1.2.6 `int _input_object::frame_size`

The frame size in bytes. `play_frame()` will be called with this value.

3.1.2.7 `void* _input_object::local_data`

If your plugin needs extra space for its own variables assign the allocated data structure to this pointer

3.1.2.8 `char* _input_object::path`

Path of the currently played file

3.1.2.9 `pthread_mutex_t _input_object::object_mutex`

The object mutex. Used to lock and unlock the data structures. Initialized and called from the HOST.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- [input_plugin.h](#)

3.2 `_input_plugin` Struct Reference

```
#include <input_plugin.h>
```

Data Fields

- `input_version_type` version
- `input_flags_type` flags
- `char * name`
- `char * author`
- `void * handle`
- `input_init_type` init
- `input_shutdown_type` shutdown
- `input_plugin_handle_type` plugin_handle
- `input_can_handle_type` can_handle
- `input_open_type` open
- `input_close_type` close
- `input_play_frame_type` play_frame
- `input_frame_seek_type` frame_seek
- `input_frame_size_type` frame_size
- `input_nr_frames_type` nr_frames
- `input_frame_to_sec_type` frame_to_sec
- `input_sample_rate_type` sample_rate
- `input_channels_type` channels
- `input_stream_info_type` stream_info
- `input_nr_tracks_type` nr_tracks
- `input_track_seek_type` track_seek

3.2.1 Field Documentation

3.2.1.1 `input_version_type _input_plugin::version`

Must be set to INPUT_PLUGIN_VERSION

3.2.1.2 `input_flags_type _input_plugin::flags`

Fixed flags for the plugin (P_*)

3.2.1.3 `char* _input_plugin::name`

Should point the a character array containing the name of this plugin

3.2.1.4 `char* _input_plugin::author`

Should point to a character array containing the name of the author(s) of this plugin.

3.2.1.5 `void* _input_plugin::handle`

`dlopen()` handle of this plugin. Filled in by the HOST.

3.2.1.6 `input_init_type _input_plugin::init`**3.2.1.7** `input_shutdown_type _input_plugin::shutdown`**3.2.1.8** `input_plugin_handle_type _input_plugin::plugin_handle`**3.2.1.9** `input_can_handle_type _input_plugin::can_handle`**3.2.1.10** `input_open_type _input_plugin::open`**3.2.1.11** `input_close_type _input_plugin::close`**3.2.1.12** `input_play_frame_type _input_plugin::play_frame`**3.2.1.13** `input_frame_seek_type _input_plugin::frame_seek`**3.2.1.14** `input_frame_size_type _input_plugin::frame_size`**3.2.1.15** `input_nr_frames_type _input_plugin::nr_frames`**3.2.1.16** `input_frame_to_sec_type _input_plugin::frame_to_sec`**3.2.1.17** `input_sample_rate_type _input_plugin::sample_rate`**3.2.1.18** `input_channels_type _input_plugin::channels`**3.2.1.19** `input_stream_info_type _input_plugin::stream_info`**3.2.1.20** `input_nr_tracks_type _input_plugin::nr_tracks`**3.2.1.21** `input_track_seek_type _input_plugin::track_seek`

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- [input_plugin.h](#)

3.3 `_interface_plugin` Struct Reference

```
#include <interface_plugin.h>
```

Data Fields

- [interface_version_type version](#)
- `char * name`
- `char * author`
- `void * handle`
- [interface_init_type init](#)
- [interface_start_type start](#)
- [interface_running_type running](#)
- [interface_stop_type stop](#)
- [interface_close_type close](#)

3.3.1 Field Documentation

3.3.1.1 [interface_version_type _interface_plugin::version](#)

3.3.1.2 `char* _interface_plugin::name`

3.3.1.3 `char* _interface_plugin::author`

3.3.1.4 `void* _interface_plugin::handle`

3.3.1.5 [interface_init_type _interface_plugin::init](#)

3.3.1.6 [interface_start_type _interface_plugin::start](#)

3.3.1.7 [interface_running_type _interface_plugin::running](#)

3.3.1.8 [interface_stop_type _interface_plugin::stop](#)

3.3.1.9 [interface_close_type _interface_plugin::close](#)

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- [interface_plugin.h](#)

3.4 _output_plugin Struct Reference

```
#include <output_plugin.h>
```

Data Fields

- [output_version_type](#) version
- `char * name`
- `char * author`
- `output_init_type` [init](#)
- `output_open_type` [open](#)
- `output_close_type` [close](#)
- `output_write_type` [write](#)
- `output_start_callbacks_type` [start_callbacks](#)
- `output_set_buffer_type` [set_buffer](#)
- `output_set_sample_rate_type` [set_sample_rate](#)
- `output_get_queue_count_type` [get_queue_count](#)
- `output_get_latency_type` [get_latency](#)

3.4.1 Field Documentation

3.4.1.1 [output_version_type](#) [_output_plugin::version](#)

Version of output plugin. Must be OUTPUT_PLUGIN_VERSION

3.4.1.2 `char* _output_plugin::name`

Name of output plugin

3.4.1.3 `char* _output_plugin::author`

Author of the plugin

3.4.1.4 `output_init_type` [_output_plugin::init](#)

Initialize output plugin. Called before the plugin is opened for use

3.4.1.5 `output_open_type _output_plugin::open`

Parameters:

path The path or device designation that should be used

Opens the output plugin. A value of 1 should be returned on success, 0 on failure.

3.4.1.6 `output_close_type _output_plugin::close`

Close the output plugin

3.4.1.7 `output_write_type _output_plugin::write`

Parameters:

data Buffer that contains the data Number of bytes that should be read from the buffer

Write out data to the output device. This is a byte count and will typically be the same size as a fragment. A value of 1 should be returned on success, 0 on failure.

3.4.1.8 `output_start_callbacks_type _output_plugin::start_callbacks`

Parameters:

data pointer to bufs structure in AlsaNode

This function is used for callback based plugins like JACK

3.4.1.9 `output_set_buffer_type _output_plugin::set_buffer`

Parameters:

frag_size Fragment size to use (in bytes)

frag_count Fragment count to use (in bytes)

channels Number of channels to use

Set up the output device with the given parameters. Some output devices do not accept such configurations in which case they should just be ignored, but still expect *frag_size* data chunks in the write function. A value of 1 should be returned on success, 0 on failure.

3.4.1.10 [output_set_sample_rate_type _output_plugin::set_sample_rate](#)

Parameters:

rate Sample rate to use

Set the sample rate of the output device. A value of 1 should be returned on success, 0 on failure.

3.4.1.11 [output_get_queue_count_type _output_plugin::get_queue_count](#)

Returns the number of bytes pending in the hardware buffer of output device. This function is optional.

3.4.1.12 [output_get_latency_type _output_plugin::get_latency](#)

Returns the latency of the output device in bytes. This function is optional.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- [output_plugin.h](#)

3.5 `_scope_plugin` Struct Reference

```
#include <scope_plugin.h>
```

Data Fields

- `scope_version_type` `version`
- `char *` `name`
- `char *` `author`
- `void *` `handle`
- `scope_init_type` `init`
- `scope_start_type` `start`
- `scope_running_type` `running`
- `scope_stop_type` `stop`
- `scope_shutdown_type` `shutdown`
- `scope_set_data_type` `set_data`
- `scope_set_fft_type` `set_fft`

3.5.1 Detailed Description

You should declare a `scope_plugin` variable and populate it with pointers of the specific functions implemented by your scope

3.5.2 Field Documentation

3.5.2.1 `scope_version_type _scope_plugin::version`

Set to `SCOPE_PLUGIN_VERSION`

3.5.2.2 `char* _scope_plugin::name`

Point to a character array with the name of the scope

3.5.2.3 `char* _scope_plugin::author`

Point to a character array with the name of the author(s) of the scope

3.5.2.4 `void* _scope_plugin::handle`

Pointer to a `dlopen()` handle. This is filled in by the HOST. Set to `NULL`.

3.5.2.5 `scope_init_type _scope_plugin::init`

Should point to the implementation of your `init()` function. Required by the HOST.

3.5.2.6 `scope_start_type _scope_plugin::start`

Should point to the implementation of your `start()` function. Required by the HOST.

3.5.2.7 `scope_running_type _scope_plugin::running`

Should point to the implementation of your `running()` function. Required by the HOST.

3.5.2.8 `scope_stop_type _scope_plugin::stop`

Should point to the implementation of your `stop()` function. Required by the HOST.

3.5.2.9 `scope_shutdown_type _scope_plugin::shutdown`

Should point to the implementation of your `shutdown()` function. Required by the HOST.

3.5.2.10 `scope_set_data_type _scope_plugin::set_data`

Should point to the function that collects PCM data. If you don't want PCM data set to NULL.

3.5.2.11 `scope_set_fft_type _scope_plugin::set_fft`

Should point to the function that collects FFT data. If you don't want FFT data set to NULL. NB. `set_data` and `set_fft` can't both be NULL, at least one must be set.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- `scope_plugin.h`

3.6 `_stream_info` Struct Reference

```
#include <input_plugin.h>
```

Data Fields

- char `stream_type` [128]
- char `artist` [128]
- char `title` [128]
- char `album` [128]
- char `genre` [128]
- char `year` [10]
- char `track` [10]
- char `comment` [128]
- char `status` [32]
- char `path` [1024]
- int `channels`
- int `tracks`
- int `current_track`
- int `sample_rate`
- int `bitrate`

3.6.1 Detailed Description

This structure is used to pass information about a stream/song from the plugin to the host.

3.6.2 Field Documentation

3.6.2.1 char `_stream_info::stream_type`[128]

Should describe what type of stream this is (MP3, OGG, etc). May also contain format data and things like sample rate. Text

3.6.2.2 char `_stream_info::artist`[128]

Author of the stream. Usually the name of the Artist or Band

3.6.2.3 char `_stream_info::title`[128]

The song title.

3.6.2.4 `char _stream_info::album[128]`

The album name.

3.6.2.5 `char _stream_info::genre[128]`

The genre of this song

3.6.2.6 `char _stream_info::year[10]`

The year of this song

3.6.2.7 `char _stream_info::track[10]`

The track number of this song

3.6.2.8 `char _stream_info::comment[128]`

The comment of this song

3.6.2.9 `char _stream_info::status[32]`

The status of the plugin. Can have something like "Seeking..." or perhaps "Buffering" depending on what the plugin instance is doing.

3.6.2.10 `char _stream_info::path[1024]`

The path of the stream

3.6.2.11 `int _stream_info::channels`

The number of channels

3.6.2.12 `int _stream_info::tracks`

The number of tracks

3.6.2.13 `int _stream_info::current_track`

The current track;

3.6.2.14 `int _stream_info::sample_rate`

The sampling rate

3.6.2.15 `int _stream_info::bitrate`

The bitrate

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

- [input_plugin.h](#)

Chapter 4

AlsaPlayer File Documentation

4.1 input_plugin.h File Reference

```
#include <pthread.h>
```

Data Structures

- struct [_input_object](#)
- struct [_stream_info](#)
- struct [_input_plugin](#)

Defines

- #define [P_SEEK](#) 1
- #define [P_PERFECTSEEK](#) 2
- #define [P_REENTRANT](#) 4
- #define [P_FILEBASED](#) 8
- #define [P_STREAMBASED](#) 16
- #define [P_BUFFERING](#) 32
- #define [INPUT_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION](#) 0x1000
- #define [INPUT_PLUGIN_VERSION](#) (INPUT_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION + 16)

Typedefs

- typedef [_input_object](#) [input_object](#)
- typedef [_stream_info](#) [stream_info](#)

- typedef int [input_version_type](#)
- typedef int [input_flags_type](#)
- typedef int(*) [input_init_type](#) (void)
- typedef void(*) [input_shutdown_type](#) (void)
- typedef void * [input_plugin_handle_type](#)
- typedef float(*) [input_can_handle_type](#) (const char *path)
- typedef int(*) [input_open_type](#) (input_object *obj, const char *path)
- typedef void(*) [input_close_type](#) (input_object *obj)
- typedef int(*) [input_play_frame_type](#) (input_object *obj, char *buffer)
- typedef int(*) [input_frame_seek_type](#) (input_object *obj, int frame)
- typedef int(*) [input_frame_size_type](#) (input_object *obj)
- typedef int(*) [input_nr_frames_type](#) (input_object *obj)
- typedef long(*) [input_frame_to_sec_type](#) (input_object *obj, int frame)
- typedef int(*) [input_sample_rate_type](#) (input_object *obj)
- typedef int(*) [input_channels_type](#) (input_object *obj)
- typedef int(*) [input_stream_info_type](#) (input_object *obj, stream_info *info)
- typedef int(*) [input_nr_tracks_type](#) (input_object *obj)
- typedef int(*) [input_track_seek_type](#) (input_object *obj, int track)
- typedef [_input_plugin](#) [input_plugin](#)
- typedef [input_plugin](#) *(*) [input_plugin_info_type](#) (void)

4.1.1 Define Documentation

4.1.1.1 #define INPUT_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION 0x1000

The base version number of the scope plugin. Set at 0x1000.

4.1.1.2 #define INPUT_PLUGIN_VERSION (INPUT_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION + 16)

The version of the input plugin API. This should be incremented whenever structural changes are made to the API. This value should only be changed by the maintainers.

4.1.1.3 #define P_BUFFERING 32

Set minimal buffer

4.1.1.4 #define P_FILEBASED 8

Set this flag if the stream is file based (local disk file)

4.1.1.5 `#define P_PERFECTSEEK 2`

Set this flag if your plugin is able to do sample accurate seeking in the stream. This is required for reverse speed playback.

4.1.1.6 `#define P_REENTRANT 4`

Set this flag if your plugin is reentrant.

4.1.1.7 `#define P_SEEK 1`

Set this flag if your plugin is able to seek in the stream

4.1.1.8 `#define P_STREAMBASED 16`

Set this if the stream is a real stream e.g. HTTP or UDP based

4.1.2 Typedef Documentation

4.1.2.1 `typedef float(*) input_can_handle_type(const char *path)`

Parameters:

path Path to stream

Returns a rating between 0.0 and 1.0 for how well this plugin can handle the given path
1.0 = Excellent 0.0 = Huh?

4.1.2.2 `typedef int(*) input_channels_type(input_object *obj)`

Parameters:

obj input object

Returns number of channels in the stream

4.1.2.3 `typedef void(*) input_close_type(input_object *obj)`

Parameters:

obj input object

Close stream

4.1.2.4 `typedef int input_flags_type`

Capability flags for this plugin

4.1.2.5 `typedef int(*) input_frame_seek_type(input_object *obj, int frame)`

Parameters:

obj input object

frame Seek to a specific frame number

4.1.2.6 `typedef int(*) input_frame_size_type(input_object *obj)`

Parameters:

obj input object

Returns the frame size in bytes

4.1.2.7 `typedef long(*) input_frame_to_sec_type(input_object *obj, int frame)`

Parameters:

obj input object

frame frame number

Returns the offset from the start time in centiseconds (100th of a second) for the frame given.

4.1.2.8 `typedef int(*) input_init_type(void)`

Init plugin

4.1.2.9 `typedef int(*) input_nr_frames_type(input_object *obj)`

Parameters:

obj input object

Returns the total number of frames in the stream

4.1.2.10 typedef int(*) [input_nr_tracks_type](#)([input_object](#) *obj)

Parameters:

obj input object

Return number of tracks. Optional

4.1.2.11 typedef struct [_input_object](#) [input_object](#)

This is a structure that keeps frequently used parameters of an input instance. It also contains a pointer to any local_data that might be allocated by the plugin itself.

4.1.2.12 typedef int(*) [input_open_type](#)([input_object](#) *obj, const char *path)

Parameters:

obj input object

path path of stream to open

Open stream

4.1.2.13 typedef int(*) [input_play_frame_type](#)([input_object](#) *obj, char *buffer)

Parameters:

obj input object

buffer buffer where we should write the frame to

Play/decode a single frame. This function should write exactly one frame to the buffer. If there is not enough PCM data to fill the frame it should be padded with zeros (silence).

4.1.2.14 typedef struct [_input_plugin](#) [input_plugin](#)

4.1.2.15 typedef void* [input_plugin_handle_type](#)

Handle for plugin. Filled in by the host

4.1.2.16 typedef [input_plugin](#)*(*) [input_plugin_info_type](#)(void)

Every input plugin should have an [input_plugin_info\(\)](#) function that returns a pointer to an [input_plugin](#) structure that is set up with pointers to your implementations. If

your plugin is compiled using C++ make sure you 'extern "C"' the `input_plugin_info()` function or else the HOST will not be able to load the plugin.

4.1.2.17 `typedef int(*) input_sample_rate_type(input_object *obj)`

Parameters:

obj input object

Returns the sample rate of the stream

4.1.2.18 `typedef void(*) input_shutdown_type(void)`

Prepare the plugin for removal

4.1.2.19 `typedef int(*) input_stream_info_type(input_object *obj, stream_info *info)`

Parameters:

obj input object

info pointer to stream_info structure

Return stream info of the current stream. You should not allocate space for the stream_info structure. The HOST will take care of that.

4.1.2.20 `typedef int(*) input_track_seek_type(input_object *obj, int track)`

4.1.2.21 `typedef int input_version_type`

input plugin binary version. Must be set to INPUT_PLUGIN_VERSION

4.1.2.22 `typedef struct _stream_info stream_info`

This structure is used to pass information about a stream/song from the plugin to the host.

4.2 interface_plugin.h File Reference

```
#include "CorePlayer.h"
#include "Playlist.h"
```

Data Structures

- struct [_interface_plugin](#)

Defines

- #define [INTERFACE_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION](#) 0x1000
- #define [INTERFACE_PLUGIN_VERSION](#) (INTERFACE_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION + 4)

Typedefs

- typedef int [interface_version_type](#)
- typedef int(*) [interface_init_type](#) ()
- typedef int(*) [interface_start_type](#) (Playlist *, int, char **)
- typedef int(*) [interface_running_type](#) ()
- typedef int(*) [interface_stop_type](#) ()
- typedef void(*) [interface_close_type](#) ()
- typedef [_interface_plugin](#) [interface_plugin](#)
- typedef [interface_plugin](#) *(*) [interface_plugin_info_type](#) ()

4.2.1 Define Documentation

4.2.1.1 `#define INTERFACE_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION 0x1000`

4.2.1.2 `#define INTERFACE_PLUGIN_VERSION (INTERFACE_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION + 4)`

4.2.2 Typedef Documentation

4.2.2.1 `typedef void(*) interface_close_type()`

4.2.2.2 `typedef int(*) interface_init_type()`

4.2.2.3 `typedef struct _interface_plugin interface_plugin`

4.2.2.4 `typedef interface_plugin*(*) interface_plugin_info_type()`

4.2.2.5 `typedef int(*) interface_running_type()`

4.2.2.6 `typedef int(*) interface_start_type(Playlist *, int, char **)`

4.2.2.7 `typedef int(*) interface_stop_type()`

4.2.2.8 `typedef int interface_version_type`

4.3 output_plugin.h File Reference

Data Structures

- struct [_output_plugin](#)

Defines

- #define [OUTPUT_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION](#) 0x1000
- #define [OUTPUT_PLUGIN_VERSION](#) (OUTPUT_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION + 6)

Typedefs

- typedef int [output_version_type](#)
- typedef int(*) [output_init_type](#) (void)
- typedef int(*) [output_open_type](#) (const char *path)
- typedef void(*) [output_close_type](#) (void)
- typedef int(*) [output_write_type](#) (void *data, int byte_count)
- typedef int(*) [output_start_callbacks_type](#) (void *data)
- typedef int(*) [output_set_buffer_type](#) (int *frag_size, int *frag_count, int *channels)
- typedef unsigned int(*) [output_set_sample_rate_type](#) (unsigned int rate)
- typedef int(*) [output_get_queue_count_type](#) (void)
- typedef int(*) [output_get_latency_type](#) (void)
- typedef [_output_plugin](#) [output_plugin](#)
- typedef [output_plugin](#) *(*) [output_plugin_info_type](#) (void)

4.3.1 Define Documentation

4.3.1.1 `#define OUTPUT_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION 0x1000`

4.3.1.2 `#define OUTPUT_PLUGIN_VERSION (OUTPUT_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION + 6)`

4.3.2 Typedef Documentation

4.3.2.1 `typedef void(*) output_close_type(void)`

4.3.2.2 `typedef int(*) output_get_latency_type(void)`

4.3.2.3 `typedef int(*) output_get_queue_count_type(void)`

4.3.2.4 `typedef int(*) output_init_type(void)`

4.3.2.5 `typedef int(*) output_open_type(const char *path)`

4.3.2.6 `typedef struct _output_plugin output_plugin`

4.3.2.7 `typedef output_plugin*(*) output_plugin_info_type(void)`

4.3.2.8 `typedef int(*) output_set_buffer_type(int *frag_size, int *frag_count, int *channels)`

4.3.2.9 `typedef unsigned int(*) output_set_sample_rate_type(unsigned int rate)`

4.3.2.10 `typedef int(*) output_start_callbacks_type(void *data)`

4.3.2.11 `typedef int output_version_type`

4.3.2.12 `typedef int(*) output_write_type(void *data, int byte_count)`

4.4 scope_plugin.h File Reference

Data Structures

- struct [_scope_plugin](#)

Defines

- #define [SCOPE_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION](#) 0x1000
- #define [SCOPE_PLUGIN_VERSION](#) (SCOPE_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION + 7)
- #define [SCOPE_NICE](#) 10
- #define [SCOPE_SLEEP](#) 20000
- #define [SCOPE_BG_RED](#) 0
- #define [SCOPE_BG_GREEN](#) 0
- #define [SCOPE_BG_BLUE](#) 0

Typedefs

- typedef int [scope_version_type](#)
- typedef int(*) [scope_init_type](#) (void *arg)
- typedef void(*) [scope_start_type](#) (void)
- typedef int(*) [scope_running_type](#) (void)
- typedef void(*) [scope_stop_type](#) (void)
- typedef void(*) [scope_shutdown_type](#) (void)
- typedef void(*) [scope_set_data_type](#) (void *buffer, int count)
- typedef void(*) [scope_set_fft_type](#) (void *buffer, int samples, int channels)
- typedef [_scope_plugin](#) [scope_plugin](#)
- typedef [scope_plugin](#) *(*) [scope_plugin_info_type](#) (void)

4.4.1 Define Documentation

4.4.1.1 #define SCOPE_BG_BLUE 0

The value of the BLUE component of the default background color for scope windows. Value should be from 0-255

4.4.1.2 #define SCOPE_BG_GREEN 0

The value of the GREEN component of the default background color for scope windows. Value should be from 0-255

4.4.1.3 `#define SCOPE_BG_RED 0`

The value of the RED component of the default background color for scope windows. Value should be from 0-255

4.4.1.4 `#define SCOPE_NICE 10`

The default nice level scope plugins should be set at. Most scope plugins are just eye candy and as such should not interfere with other processes on your system. They should only use CPU cycles that would otherwise be wasted. Setting the scopes to a nice level of 10 or higher pretty much insures this. If you don't like this policy you can lower the value. Keep in mind that negative values will only work if you run the HOST as root

4.4.1.5 `#define SCOPE_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION 0x1000`

The base version number of the scope plugin. Set at 0x1000

4.4.1.6 `#define SCOPE_PLUGIN_VERSION (SCOPE_PLUGIN_BASE_VERSION + 7)`

The version of the scope plugin API. This should be increased whenever structural changes are made to the API. This value should only be changed by the maintainers.

4.4.1.7 `#define SCOPE_SLEEP 20000`

The default sleep time in microseconds for scopes. After every render iteration a scope should sleep for this amount of time. You should use the `dosleep()` call i.e. `dosleep(SCOPE_SLEEP)`. A value of 20000 will let scopes run at $100000/20000 = 50$ frames per second. If the scopes are consuming too much CPU consider raising this value.

4.4.2 Typedef Documentation

4.4.2.1 `typedef int(*) scope_init_type(void *arg)`

The init function of a scope plugin. This function should initialize all data structures needed for the scope plugin. Return value should be 1 on success, 0 if initialization fails.

Parameters:

Set to NULL. This currently used for internal plugins only

4.4.2.2 typedef struct [_scope_plugin](#) [scope_plugin](#)

You should declare a `scope_plugin` variable and populate it with pointers of the specific functions implemented by your scope

4.4.2.3 typedef [scope_plugin](#)*(*) [scope_plugin_info_type](#)(void)

Every scope plugin should have a `scope_plugin_info()` function that returns a pointer to a `scope_plugin` structure that is filled with pointers to your function implementations.

4.4.2.4 typedef int(*) [scope_running_type](#)(void)

This function should tell the HOST if the scope is running i.e. on-screen and rendering. A value of 1 should be returned if this is the case, 0 if the scope is not active.

4.4.2.5 typedef void(*) [scope_set_data_type](#)(void *buffer, int count)

Parameters:

buffer pointer to buffer data

count number of short (int16) samples in buffer

The `set_data` function should be defined if your scope wants to get it hands on PCM data. The format of the buffer is short (int16) interleaved stereo data. A count value of 1024 means there are 2048 short samples in the buffer. These samples are interleaved, so even sample positions are from the left channel, uneven sample positions from the right channel. The API will be changed to accommodate variable channels in the not too distant future.

4.4.2.6 typedef void(*) [scope_set_fft_type](#)(void *buffer, int samples, int channels)

Parameters:

buffer buffer with FFT values

samples number of FFT values per channel

channels number of channels

This function should be defined if your scope wants to get FFT data. The HOST typically calculates 256 FFT values per channel (going from low frequency range to high). The value is between 0-256. The buffer format is NON-interleaved int (int32). So if `samples = 256` and `channels = 2` then there are $2 * 256$ number of samples in the buffer. The first 256 are for channel 1, the other 256 for channel 2.

4.4.2.7 typedef void(*) [scope_shutdown_type](#)(void)

The shutdown function is called just before the plugin is unloaded or just before the HOST decides to exit. All data structures allocated in the init routine should be freed here.

4.4.2.8 typedef void(*) [scope_start_type](#)(void)

This function will be called when the HOST wants to activate the scope. It should pop up the scope window and start rendering the PCM or FFT data

4.4.2.9 typedef void(*) [scope_stop_type](#)(void)

This function should stop and close the scope window if it was running. It should just return if the scope is not running.

4.4.2.10 typedef int [scope_version_type](#)

The API this scope was compiled against. It should always be set to SCOPE_PLUGIN_VERSION. Failing to set this will most likely result in a scope plugin that won't load.

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