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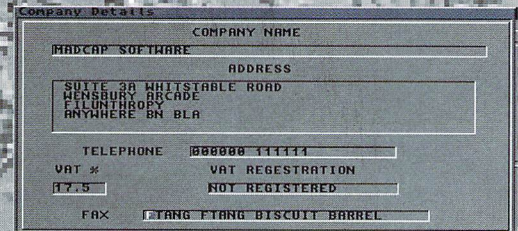
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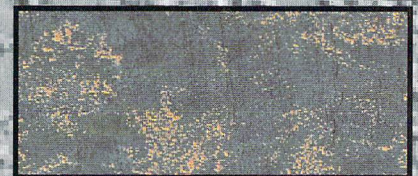
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Lots Of Sound, In A Little RAM

PROBLEM: You want to play a song or sound, but you don't have enough RAM to hold the whole soundfile.

SOLUTION: Aload! This program will actually play a soundfile from your hardrive in real time! That means that the length of recording is only limited by the amount of hardrive space you have. Aload has a Gui interface, kind of like a CD player. Aload will play any raw data, 8SVX or IFF format file.

You ARE What You EAT!

PROBLEM: Did you know that your body's cells are constantly dying, and being replaced with new cells? Did you know that every 6 months, EVERY cell in your body has been replaced by newly manufactured cells? So the quality of the food you eat, determines the quality of the manufacturing materials your body uses to create new cells. Hey, you wants a body made out of Doritos, even if they come in the new fancy bag.

SOLUTION: Be aware of what you put in your body! PINQ is a program that will allow you to determine the nutritional quality of the foods you eat. There is no need to be a dietician or an expert of any kind (a knowledge of decimal numbers would help). PINQ is very easy to use. It was designed for high school nutrition classes and the students are usually avidly using it within 5 minutes.

Keeping Track Of Things

PROBLEM: If your home or office is robbed, your insurance company will only replace items that have been properly recorded. If you don't have records of something, it won't be replaced. If you run a business, keeping track of inventory can be critical. And watching inventory size is an absolutely critical indicator of business trouble, long before you get into a crunch!

SOLUTION: MIP was developed to handle the inventory of a business. While it can easily be used for any inventory purpose including household items and equipment. The features are endless, and this program can handle just about any type of items.

Just Where Was That File Anyway!

PROBLEM: You've got a harddrive, a collection of floppies, backed up files, maybe even a removable harddrive, syquest and even a CD-ROM. And mixed somewhere in the whole mess are the files you want. Sometimes it can get difficult if not maddening to keep track of all your files. Especially, the single one that you want... NOW.

SOLUTION: Gcat is here to watch over, remember, track and sort all your files. This program is completely idiot proofed, so even when you are tired, or distracted, you cannot put in, or destroy data that you don't want. And all along, it will remember where every single one of your files and programs are located. Just pop in a disk, and Gcat will analyze and remember everything on it. Easy tracking, easy finding, no more bald spots from pulling out your hair looking for lost programs or files.

An Experiment in Artificial Intelligence

Have you ever wondered, just how intelligent your Amiga can get? Can it really make sense out of data, and learn as it goes? Now you can find out for yourself. Deduce is an experiment in artificial intelligence. It attempts to simulate deductive reasoning. Consider the following example:

Spot is a dog.

A dog is an animal.

Therefore, Spot is an animal.

Deduce will accept input in the form of English sentences and upon request will answer yes/no questions about what it has been taught.

AntiMatter

There are a collection of atoms are lost in a holding-chamber. Your job is to locate all the atoms. You do this by firing a plasma beam into the chamber from different positions. As the plasma beams interact with the atoms, the beams get bent and reflected into different directions. By watching how the beams hit, this mind bender begins to take shape. Can you find the solution. This version of the game features: Four-channel stereo sound that follows the action!, The player can choose how large a chamber to use (6x6 through 14x14) as well as how many atoms will be hidden (3 through 8). There are also animations and graphics to enhance the game play.

Imagine Staging Language

PROBLEM: Working with Imagine's Action Editor have you frustrated? Some things are easy, and other things can be a pain. If you have ever used the Action editor in earnest, you know that certain types of operations are easy (such as adding a single light) while others are not (such as adding more frames and causing your existing objects to appear in them).

SOLUTION: ISL, the Imagine Staging Language, is a language created to make the generation and manipulation of Imagine 3.0 staging files a whole lot easier. If you have ever used the Action editor in earnest, you know that certain types of operations are easy (such as adding a single light) while others are not (such as adding more frames and causing your

existing objects to appear in them). ISL provides an alternative interface to the Action editor. With ISL, you can create your stage using the Stage and Action editors as needed, then convert it to a fairly straightforward ASCII format, edit it as desired using your favorite text editor, then put it back! This is of course the simplest way of using ISL - you could also create stages programmatically.

Easy Viewing

PROBLEM: You've got a picture, but you aren't sure what format it is, and you want an easy and quick way to view it without loading a large program. And no matter what format it is, you want to be able to see it with one program.

SOLUTION: JIV is a picture viewer. I can imagine that you're wondering

- why yet another one... well, here's a list of features that should answer your question: JIV supports many different file formats: GIF (full GIF87a standard plus a subset of GIF89a). BMP (MS-Windows and OS/2 variants, currently only uncompressed). IFF-ILBM (including HAM6, EHB and 24bit formats), but currently not HAM8 format. PNM pictures (PBM, PGM and PPM in both binary and ASCII format). JPEG/JFIF, if the JPEG CODEC is installed. In addition, JIV supports several types of display hardware including: all native graphics chipsets (OCS, ECS and AGA). A2024. Picasso-II. Generic mode, should work with every graphics board that emulates Workbench/Intuition. Tested with the Picasso-II emulation. JIV supports displaying over-sized images using autoscroll. JIV supports multiple filenames and AmigaDOS pattern matching. JIV can dither pictures that use more colors than your display hardware supports. JIV offers an endless/slideshow mode that can be used for (non-interactive) advertising, for example in a shop window.

GfxCon

PROBLEM: OK, so now you can view just about any image with JIV. But what if you want to convert it into a format that works with your software.

SOLUTION: In steps GfxCon. This program makes it possible to convert images to the most popular image formats in a user-friendly way. Simplicity of usage and a high quality have been the primary goals while developing GfxCon. Besides conversion, it is also possible to modify the image in many ways such as changing the resolution, contrast of the image or numerous color-effects. So you can make the image ready for whatever format and size you need.

Invoiceer

PROBLEM: If you have a business, from the smallest Lawn Care service, all the way through complicated business, invoicing is where the money comes from. The more professional this is handled, the better off you will do.

SOLUTION: Invoiceer is a program that will allow you to enter and print Invoices. It is geared mainly for regular customers and regular jobs etc. It is however still quite easy to issue a invoice on a one off basis. It will also save all the Invoices that you print to disk enabling you to print or edit any invoice that you have issued.

WallPaper And RayTrace Textures

This is a set of color images that are perfect for Workbench backdrops and raytracing textures. This collection ranges from photographic images to color textures. Add Some Panache To Your Backgrounds Tired of that old gray background? BackPack is a collection of nice backdrops to brighten up your Workbench. As a bonus also included is a high resolution mouse pointer, and a startup picture to be used with BootPic, BootLogo or some similar utility.

Virus Killers

In each issue we always include the latest virus killers and detectors. As you know, the best protection is prevention. The included utilities can help you detect and destroy that virus on one of your disks before it has a chance to infiltrate your entire disk collection. Add these utilities to your collection, or update your collection with the latest versions and keep it safe. Prevention is always the best medicine.

Hot Soundtrack & Instrument (Deluxe Music & MED)

I've heard people claim that with new soundboards the IBM can play some really good music. Well, they just haven't heard the Amiga yet. That's all there is too it. Crank up this tune, turn up your monitor volume, and invite all your PC friends over to have a listen. This will be sure to convince them. We have also included some of the instruments that were used to create the soundtrack. You can use these instruments with the new Deluxe Music Construction Set or MED or other Soundtracker music program.

ClipArt & Fonts

PROBLEM: You have a letter, presentation or report to produce, and you know it is going to look drab and boring.

SOLUTION: This issue we have included a collection of clipart and a CGFont to dress up even the driest of text. With a new interesting Font, and a nice clipart image, you can attract the eye of your reader, and hold their attention!