

# **RhythmCat Music Player Development Reference Manual**

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## **Part I**

# **RhythmCat Music Player Reference**

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## Chapter 1

# Player Backend

### 1.1 Player

Player — Manage the player information, and initialize the player.

#### Synopsis

```
#include <player.h>

#define GETTEXT_PACKAGE
void rc_player_init (int *argc,
                    char **argv[]);

void rc_player_main ();
void rc_player_exit ();
const gchar * rc_player_get_program_name ();
const gchar *const * rc_player_get_authors ();
const gchar *const * rc_player_get_documenters ();
const gchar *const * rc_player_get_artists ();
const gchar * rc_player_get_build_date ();
const gchar * rc_player_get_version ();
gboolean rc_player_get_stable_flag ();
const gchar * rc_player_get_conf_dir ();
const gchar * rc_player_get_data_dir ();
const gchar * rc_player_get_home_dir ();
const gchar * rc_player_get_locale ();
gboolean rc_player_check_supported_format (const gchar *filename);
```

#### Description

Manage the player information, and initialize the player.

#### Details

##### GETTEXT\_PACKAGE

```
#define GETTEXT_PACKAGE "RhythmCat"
```

### **rc\_player\_init ()**

```
void                rc_player_init                (int *argc,  
                                                  char **argv[]);
```

Initialize the player.

**argc** : address of the argc parameter of your **main()** function

**argv** : address of the argv parameter of **main()**

### **rc\_player\_main ()**

```
void                rc_player_main                ();
```

Runs the main loop until **rc\_player\_exit()** is called.

### **rc\_player\_exit ()**

```
void                rc_player_exit                ();
```

Exit the player.

### **rc\_player\_get\_program\_name ()**

```
const gchar *      rc_player_get_program_name    ();
```

Return the name of the program.

**Returns** : The program name of the player, cannot be changed.

### **rc\_player\_get\_authors ()**

```
const gchar *const * rc_player_get_authors        ();
```

Return the author information.

**Returns** : The string array of author information, cannot be changed.

### **rc\_player\_get\_documenters ()**

```
const gchar *const * rc_player_get_documenters    ();
```

Return the documenter information.

**Returns** : The string array of documenter information, cannot be changed.

### **rc\_player\_get\_artists ()**

```
const gchar *const * rc_player_get_artists        ();
```

Return the artist information.

**Returns** : The string array of artist information, cannot be changed.

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### **rc\_player\_get\_build\_date ()**

```
const gchar *      rc_player_get_build_date      ();
```

Return the build date.

**Returns :** The build date, cannot be changed.

### **rc\_player\_get\_version ()**

```
const gchar *      rc_player_get_version      ();
```

Return the version information.

**Returns :** The version information, cannot be changed.

### **rc\_player\_get\_stable\_flag ()**

```
gboolean          rc_player_get_stable_flag    ();
```

Return the stable flag.

**Returns :** Whether the player is in a stable version.

### **rc\_player\_get\_conf\_dir ()**

```
const gchar *      rc_player_get_conf_dir     ();
```

Return the configure directory (~/.RhythmCat).

**Returns :** The path of the configure directory.

### **rc\_player\_get\_data\_dir ()**

```
const gchar *      rc_player_get_data_dir     ();
```

Return the program data directory.

**Returns :** The program data directory.

### **rc\_player\_get\_home\_dir ()**

```
const gchar *      rc_player_get_home_dir     ();
```

Return the user home directory.

**Returns :** The user home directory.

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**rc\_player\_get\_locale ()**

```
const gchar *      rc_player_get_locale      ();
```

Return the locale information (e.g en\_US).

**Returns :** The locale information.

**rc\_player\_check\_supported\_format ()**

```
gboolean          rc_player_check_supported_format      (const gchar *filename);
```

Check whether the given file is supported by the player.

**filename :** the filename to check

**Returns :** Whether the file is supported.

## 1.2 Core

Core — The core of the player.

### Synopsis

```
#include <core.h>
```

```
void          RCCoreData;
void          rc_core_init              ();
void          rc_core_exit              ();
RCCoreData *  rc_core_get_data          ();
void          rc_core_set_uri           (const gchar *uri);
gchar *      rc_core_get_uri           ();
gboolean     rc_core_play               ();
gboolean     rc_core_pause              ();
gboolean     rc_core_stop               ();
gboolean     rc_core_set_volume         (gdouble volume);
gboolean     rc_core_set_play_position  (gint64 time);
gboolean     rc_core_set_play_position_by_persent
                                                (gdouble persent);
gint64       rc_core_get_play_position  ();
gint64       rc_core_get_music_length  ();
gdouble      rc_core_get_volume        ();
void         rc_core_set_eq_effect      (gdouble *fq);
GstState     rc_core_get_play_state    ();
```

### Description

The core part of the player, it uses Gstreamer as backend to play audio files.



## Details

### RCCoreData

```
typedef struct {  
    GstElement *playbin;  
    GstElement *audio_sink;  
    GstElement *eq_plugin;  
    GstElement *vol_plugin;  
    guint ver_major;  
    guint ver_minor;  
    guint ver_micro;  
    guint ver_nano;  
} RCCoreData;
```

The data of the core.

**GstElement** \**playbin*; the playbin element

**GstElement** \**audio\_sink*; the audio sink element

**GstElement** \**eq\_plugin*; the equalizer element

**GstElement** \**vol\_plugin*; the volume control element

**guint** *ver\_major*; the major version number of Gstreamer

**guint** *ver\_minor*; the minor version number of Gstreamer

**guint** *ver\_micro*; the micro version number of Gstreamer

**guint** *ver\_nano*; the nano version number of Gstreamer

### rc\_core\_init ()

```
void                rc_core_init                ();
```

Initialize the core of the player. Can be used only once.

### rc\_core\_exit ()

```
void                rc_core_exit                ();
```

Free the core when exits.

### rc\_core\_get\_data ()

```
RCCoreData *        rc_core_get_data            ();
```

Return the pointer of the core.

**Returns** : The pointer to the data structure of the core.

### **rc\_core\_set\_uri ()**

```
void rc_core_set_uri (const gchar *uri);
```

Set the URI to play.

**uri** : the URI to play

### **rc\_core\_get\_uri ()**

```
gchar * rc_core_get_uri ();
```

Return the URI the core opened.

**Returns** : The URI the core opened, free after usage.

### **rc\_core\_play ()**

```
gboolean rc_core_play ();
```

Set the state of the core to playing.

**Returns** : Whether the state is set to playing successfully.

### **rc\_core\_pause ()**

```
gboolean rc_core_pause ();
```

Set the core to pause state.

**Returns** : Whether the state is set to paused successfully.

### **rc\_core\_stop ()**

```
gboolean rc_core_stop ();
```

Set the core to stop state.

### **rc\_core\_set\_volume ()**

```
gboolean rc_core_set_volume (gdouble volume);
```

Set the volume of player.

**volume** : the volume of the player, it should be between 0.0 and 100.0.

### **rc\_core\_set\_play\_position ()**

```
gboolean rc_core_set_play_position (gint64 time);
```

Set the position to go to (in nanosecond). Notice that this function can only be used when the state of the player is playing or paused.

**time** : the position to go to

**Returns** : Whether the time is valid.

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### **rc\_core\_set\_play\_position\_by\_persent ()**

```
gboolean          rc_core_set_play_position_by_persent
                                                           (gdouble persent);
```

Set the position to to go to in persent (0.0 - 1.0).

***persent*** : the position (in persent, from 0.0 to 1.0) to go to

***Returns*** : Whether the persent is valid.

### **rc\_core\_get\_play\_position ()**

```
gint64          rc_core_get_play_position          ();
```

Return the playing position (in nanosecond).

***Returns*** : The playing position (in nanosecond).

### **rc\_core\_get\_music\_length ()**

```
gint64          rc_core_get_music_length          ();
```

Return the time length of the playing music (in nanosecond).

***Returns*** : The time length of the playing music (in nanosecond).

### **rc\_core\_get\_volume ()**

```
gdouble          rc_core_get_volume                ();
```

Return the volume of the player.

***Returns*** : The volume of the player.

### **rc\_core\_set\_eq\_effect ()**

```
void          rc_core_set_eq_effect                (gdouble *fq);
```

Set the EQ effect of the player.

***fq*** : an array (10 elements) of the gain for the frequency bands

### **rc\_core\_get\_play\_state ()**

```
GstState          rc_core_get_play_state            ();
```

Return the state of the core.

***Returns*** : The state of the core.

## 1.3 Tag

Tag — Process the tags of the music.

### Synopsis

```
#include <tag.h>

RCMusicMetaData * rc_tag_read_metadata          (const gchar *uri);
void rc_tag_free                                  (RCMusicMetaData *mmd);
void rc_tag_set_playing_metadata                (const RCMusicMetaData *mmd);
const RCMusicMetaData * rc_tag_get_playing_metadata ();
gchar * rc_tag_get_name_from_fpath              (const gchar *filename);
gchar * rc_tag_find_file                        (const gchar *dirname,
                                                const gchar *str,
                                                const gchar *extname);
```

### Description

Process the tags of the music, like metadata, etc.

### Details

#### RCMusicMetaData

```
typedef struct {
    gint64 length;
    gchar *uri;
    guint tracknum;
    guint bitrate;
    gint samplerate;
    gint channels;
    gint eos;
    gint list2_index;
    gchar *title;
    gchar *artist;
    gchar *album;
    gchar *comment;
    gchar *file_type;
    GstBuffer *image;
    gboolean audio_flag;
    gboolean video_flag;
    GtkTreeRowReference *reference;
    GtkListStore *store;
    gpointer user_data;
} RCMusicMetaData;
```

Custom struct type to store the music metadata.

**gint64** *length*; the length of the music

**gchar** *\*uri*; the URI of the music

**guint** *tracknum*; the track number of the music

**guint** *bitrate*; the bitrate of the music

**gint** *samplerate*; the sample rate of the music

**gint** *channels*; the channel number of the music

**gint** *eos*; the EOS signal

**gint** *list2\_index*; the insert index in list2, only used in insert operation

**gchar** *\*title*; the title text of the music

**gchar** *\*artist*; the artist text of the music

**gchar** *\*album*; the album text of the music

**gchar** *\*comment*; the comment text of the music

**gchar** *\*file\_type*; the file type of the music

**GstBuffer** *\*image*; the GstBuffer which contains the cover image

**gboolean** *audio\_flag*; whether this file has audio

**gboolean** *video\_flag*; whether this file has video

**GtkTreeRowReference** *\*reference*; the GtkTreeRowReference, used in list2 refresh operation

**GtkListStore** *\*store*; the GtkListStore, used in list2 refresh operation

**gpointer** *user\_data*; the user data

#### **rc\_tag\_read\_metadata ()**

```
RCMusicMetaData * rc_tag_read_metadata (const gchar *uri);
```

Read tag (metadata) from given URI.

**uri** : the URI of the music file

**Returns** : The Metadata of the music, NULL if the file is not a music file, free after usage.

#### **rc\_tag\_free ()**

```
void rc_tag_free (RCMusicMetaData *mmd);
```

Free the memory allocated for metadata struct (RCMusicMetaData).

**mmd** : the metadata

#### **rc\_tag\_set\_playing\_metadata ()**

```
void rc_tag_set_playing_metadata (const RCMusicMetaData *mmd);
```

Set playing metadata. Please do not use this function in plugins.

**mmd** : the metadata

### rc\_tag\_get\_playing\_metadata ()

```
const RCMusicMetaData * rc_tag_get_playing_metadata    ();
```

Return the metadata which the player is playing.

**Returns :** The metadata which the player is playing.

### rc\_tag\_get\_name\_from\_fpath ()

```
gchar *          rc_tag_get_name_from_fpath          (const gchar *filename);
```

Return the base-name without extension from a full path or file name.

**filename :** the full path or file name

**Returns :** The base-name without extension.

### rc\_tag\_find\_file ()

```
gchar *          rc_tag_find_file                    (const gchar *dirname,
                                                       const gchar *str,
                                                       const gchar *extname);
```

Find a file in the directory by extension name and prefix string.

**dirname :** the directory name

**str :** the prefix string of the file name

**extname :** the extension name of the file

**Returns :** The file name which is found in the directory, NULL if not found, free after usage.

## 1.4 Player Object

Player Object — The player object of the player.

### Synopsis

```
#include <player_object.h>

#define          RC_PLAYER_TYPE
RCPlayer;
RCPlayerClass;

RCPlayer *      rc_player_new                ();
gboolean        rc_player_object_init        ();
GObject *       rc_player_object_get        ();
void            rc_player_object_signal_emit_simple (const char *name);
gulong         rc_player_object_signal_connect_simple
                                                       (const char *name,
                                                       GCallback callback);

void            rc_player_object_signal_disconnect (gulong id);
```

## Object Hierarchy

```
GObject
+----RCPlayer
```

## Signals

"lyric-found"	: Run First
"lyric-not-found"	: Run First
"player-continue"	: Run First
"player-pause"	: Run First
"player-play"	: Run First
"player-stop"	: Run First

## Description

The player object of the player, used in player signal processing.

## Details

### RC\_PLAYER\_TYPE

```
#define RC_PLAYER_TYPE (rc_player_get_type())
```

### RCPlayer

```
typedef struct _RCPlayer RCPlayer;
```

### RCPlayerClass

```
typedef struct {
    GObjectClass parent_class;
    void (*player_play)();
    void (*player_stop)();
    void (*player_pause)();
    void (*player_continue)();
    void (*lyric_found)();
    void (*lyric_not_found)();
} RCPlayerClass;
```

Provide signal process functions in the class.

**GObjectClass** *parent\_class*; parent class, not used

**player\_play**() the function to call when the player starts playing

**player\_stop**() the function to call when the player stopped

**player\_pause**() the function to call when the player paused

**player\_continue**() the function to call when the player continues playing

**lyric\_found**() the function to call when the lyric data is found

**lyric\_not\_found**() the function to call when the lyric data is not found

### **rc\_player\_new ()**

```
RCPlayer *          rc_player_new          ();
```

Return a new **RCPlayer** object.

**Returns** : A new **RCPlayer** object.

### **rc\_player\_object\_init ()**

```
gboolean          rc_player_object_init    ();
```

Make a default **RCPlayer** object for the player. Can be used only once.

**Returns** : Whether the object is made.

### **rc\_player\_object\_get ()**

```
GObject *          rc_player_object_get    ();
```

Return the default **RCPlayer** object.

**Returns** : The default **RCPlayer** object.

### **rc\_player\_object\_signal\_emit\_simple ()**

```
void              rc_player_object_signal_emit_simple (const char *name);
```

Emit a signal by the given name.

**name** : the name of the signal

### **rc\_player\_object\_signal\_connect\_simple ()**

```
gulong            rc_player_object_signal_connect_simple  
                  (const char *name,  
                  GCallback callback);
```

Connect the GCallback function to the given signal for the default **RCPlayer** object.

**name** : the name of the signal

**callback** : the the **GCallback** to connect

**Returns** : The handler ID.

### **rc\_player\_object\_signal\_disconnect ()**

```
void              rc_player_object_signal_disconnect (gulong id);
```

Disconnects thg handler from the default **RCPlayer** object, so it will not be called during any future or currently ongoing emissions of the signal it has been connected to. The *id* becomes invalid and may be reused.

**id** : the handler ID



## Signal Details

### The "lyric-found" signal

void	user_function	(RCPlayer *arg0, gpointer user_data) First	: Run ↔
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Emitted when the lyric is found at the moment the player starts playing.

**user\_data** : user data set when the signal handler was connected.

### The "lyric-not-found" signal

void	user_function	(RCPlayer *arg0, gpointer user_data) First	: Run ↔
------	---------------	--	---------

Emitted when the lyric is not found at the moment the player starts playing.

**user\_data** : user data set when the signal handler was connected.

### The "player-continue" signal

void	user_function	(RCPlayer *arg0, gpointer user_data) First	: Run ↔
------	---------------	--	---------

Emitted after the player paused.

**user\_data** : user data set when the signal handler was connected.

### The "player-pause" signal

void	user_function	(RCPlayer *arg0, gpointer user_data) First	: Run ↔
------	---------------	--	---------

Emitted after the player paused.

**user\_data** : user data set when the signal handler was connected.

### The "player-play" signal

void	user_function	(RCPlayer *arg0, gpointer user_data) First	: Run ↔
------	---------------	--	---------

Emitted after the player starts playing.

**user\_data** : user data set when the signal handler was connected.

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## The "player-stop" signal

```
void                user_function                (RCPlayer *arg0,
                                                  gpointer  user_data)    : Run ↔
                                                  First
```

Emitted after the player stopped.

**user\_data** : user data set when the signal handler was connected.

## 1.5 Lyric

Lyric — Process lyric data.

### Synopsis

```
#include <lyric.h>

                                RCLyricData;
void                rc_lrc_init                ();
void                rc_lrc_exit                ();
gboolean           rc_lrc_read_from_file      (const gchar *filename);
void                rc_lrc_clean_data         ();
const RCLyricData ** rc_lrc_get_lrc_data      ();
gsize              rc_lrc_get_lrc_length      ();
const gchar *      rc_lrc_get_text_data      ();
const RCLyricData * rc_lrc_get_line_by_time   (gint64 time);
const RCLyricData * rc_lrc_get_line_now      ();
```

### Description

Process lyric texts, like reading lyric from LRC file, etc.

### Details

#### RCLyricData

```
typedef struct {
    gint64 time;
    gint64 length;
    guint index;
    gchar *text;
} RCLyricData;
```

Custom struct type to store the data of lyrics.

**gint64 time**; the start time of the lyric text

**gint64 length**; the time length of the lyric text

**guint index**; the line index number of the lyric text

**gchar \*text**; the lyric text

### **rc\_lrc\_init ()**

```
void rc_lrc_init ();
```

Initialize the lyric watch timer.

### **rc\_lrc\_exit ()**

```
void rc_lrc_exit ();
```

Remove the lyric watch timer.

### **rc\_lrc\_read\_from\_file ()**

```
gboolean rc_lrc_read_from_file (const gchar *filename);
```

Read lyric data from given file.

**filename** : the lyric file

**Returns** : Whether the file is read successfully.

### **rc\_lrc\_clean\_data ()**

```
void rc_lrc_clean_data ();
```

Clean the read lyric data from the player.

### **rc\_lrc\_get\_lrc\_data ()**

```
const RCLyricData ** rc_lrc_get_lrc_data ();
```

Return the processed lyric array in the player.

**Returns** : The processed lyric array in the player, the data is stored in an array, NULL if there is no lyric data.

### **rc\_lrc\_get\_lrc\_length ()**

```
gsize rc_lrc_get_lrc_length ();
```

Return the length of the lyric array.

**Returns** : The length of the lyric array.

### **rc\_lrc\_get\_text\_data ()**

```
const gchar * rc_lrc_get_text_data ();
```

Return the original lyric text in the player.

**Returns** : The original lyric text in the player, NULL if there is no lyric text.

**rc\_lrc\_get\_line\_by\_time ()**

```
const RCLyricData * rc_lrc_get_line_by_time (gint64 time);
```

Return the lyric line data by given time.

**time** : the time in nanosecond

**Returns** : The lyric line data by given time, NULL if not found.

**rc\_lrc\_get\_line\_now ()**

```
const RCLyricData * rc_lrc_get_line_now ();
```

Return the lyric line data while the player is playing.

**Returns** : The lyric line data the player is playing.

## 1.6 Asynchronous Message Queue

Asynchronous Message Queue — Asynchronous message queue process among threads.

### Synopsis

```
#include <msg.h>
```

```
void (*RCMsgAsyncQueueWatchFunc) (gpointer item,
                                   gpointer data);

enum RCMsgType;
RCMsgData;
guint rc_msg_async_queue_watch_new (GAsyncQueue *queue,
                                     gint priority,
                                     RCMsgAsyncQueueWatchFunc callback,
                                     gpointer data,
                                     GDestroyNotify notify,
                                     GMainContext *context);

void rc_msg_init ();
void rc_msg_push (RCMsgType type,
                  gpointer data);
```

### Description

Process asynchronous message queue between GUI Thread (main thread) and other threads.

### Details

**RCMsgAsyncQueueWatchFunc ()**

```
void (*RCMsgAsyncQueueWatchFunc) (gpointer item,
                                   gpointer data);
```

The watch function type which executes when the message async queue changed.

**item** : queue item

**data** : user data

## enum RCMsgType

```
typedef enum RCMsgType {  
    MSG_TYPE_EMPTY = 0,  
    MSG_TYPE_TEST = 1,  
    MSG_TYPE_PL_INSERT = 2,  
    MSG_TYPE_PL_REFRESH = 3,  
    MSG_TYPE_PL_REMOVE = 4  
} RCMsgType;
```

Types of the message.

**MSG\_TYPE\_EMPTY** empty message

**MSG\_TYPE\_TEST** test message

**MSG\_TYPE\_PL\_INSERT** playlist insertion message

**MSG\_TYPE\_PL\_REFRESH** playlist refresh message

**MSG\_TYPE\_PL\_REMOVE** playlist remove message

## RCMsgData

```
typedef struct {  
    RCMsgType type;  
    gpointer data;  
} RCMsgData;
```

Custom struct to store message data.

**RCMsgType** *type*; message type

**gpointer** *data*; message data

## rc\_msg\_async\_queue\_watch\_new ()

guint	rc_msg_async_queue_watch_new	(GAsyncQueue *queue, gint priority, RCMsgAsyncQueueWatchFunc callback, gpointer data, GDestroyNotify notify, GMainContext *context);
-------	------------------------------	---

Add new watch to the given GAsyncQueue.

**queue** : the GAsyncQueue to watch

**priority** : the priority

**callback** : the callback function to execute when the queue changed

**data** : user data

**notify** : a function to call when data is no longer in use, or NULL

**context** : a GMainContext (if NULL, the default context will be used)

**Returns** : The GSource ID of the new watch.

**rc\_msg\_init ()**

```
void rc_msg_init ();
```

Initialize the default asynchronous message queue for the player. Can be used only once.

**rc\_msg\_push ()**

```
void rc_msg_push (RCMsgType type,
                  gpointer data);
```

Add new message to the default asynchronous message queue.

**type** : the message type

**data** : the message data

## 1.7 Playlist

Playlist — Manage the playlists.

### Synopsis

```
#include <playlist.h>
```

```
enum RCPlaylistColumn;
enum RCPlaylist2Column;
gboolean rc_playlist_init ();
void rc_playlist_exit ();
gboolean rc_playlist_insert_list (const gchar *listname,
                                  gint index);
gboolean rc_playlist_insert_music (const gchar *uri,
                                   gint list1_index,
                                   gint list2_index);
void rc_playlist_list2_insert_item (const gchar *uri,
                                    const gchar *title,
                                    const gchar *artist,
                                    const gchar *album,
                                    gint64 length,
                                    gint trackno,
                                    GtkListStore *store,
                                    gint list2_index);
void rc_playlist_list2_refresh_item (const gchar *uri,
                                     const gchar *title,
                                     const gchar *artist,
                                     const gchar *album,
                                     gint64 length,
                                     gint trackno,
                                     GtkTreeRowReference *reference);
void rc_playlist_list2_remove_item (GtkTreeRowReference *reference);
gboolean rc_playlist_remove_list (gint index);
gchar * rc_playlist_get_list1_name (gint index);
gint rc_playlist_get_list1_length ();
```

void	rc_plist_set_list1_name	(gint index, const gchar *name);
gint	rc_plist_get_list2_length	(gint index);
gboolean	rc_plist_play_by_index	(gint list_index, gint music_index);
gboolean	rc_plist_play_get_index	(gint *index1, gint *index2);
void	rc_plist_stop	();
gboolean	rc_plist_play_prev	();
gboolean	rc_plist_play_next	(gboolean flag);
void	rc_plist_set_play_mode	(gint repeat, gint random);
void	rc_plist_get_play_mode	(gint *repeat, gint *random);
gboolean	rc_plist_load_playlist_setting	();
gboolean	rc_plist_save_playlist_setting	();
void	rc_plist_build_default_list	();
void	rc_plist_plist_move2	(gint list_index, GtkTreePath **from_paths, gint f_length, gint to_list_index);
void	rc_plist_save_playlist	(const gchar *s_filename, gint index);
void	rc_plist_load_playlist	(const gchar *s_filename, gint index);
GtkListStore *	rc_plist_get_list_store	(gint index);
GtkListStore *	rc_plist_get_list_head	();
gboolean	rc_plist_list2_refresh	(gint list1_index);
gint	rc_plist_import_job_get_length	();
void	rc_plist_import_job_cancel	();
void	rc_plist_load_argument	(char *argv[]);
gboolean	rc_plist_load_uri_from_remote	(const gchar *uri);

## Description

Manage the playlists in the player and control all operations on playlists.

## Details

### enum RCPlaylistColumn

```
typedef enum RCPlaylistColumn {  
    PLIST1_STATE = 0,  
    PLIST1_NAME = 1,  
    PLIST1_STORE = 2,  
    PLIST1_LAST = 3  
}RCPlaylistColumn;
```

The enum type to show the columns in ListStore1.

**PLIST1\_STATE** the state image stock

**PLIST1\_NAME** the list name

**PLIST1\_STORE** the list store of list2

**PLIST1\_LAST** the column number of list1

## enum RCPlist2Column

```
typedef enum RCPlist2Column {
    PLIST2_URI = 0,
    PLIST2_STATE = 1,
    PLIST2_TITLE = 2,
    PLIST2_ARTIST = 3,
    PLIST2_ALBUM = 4,
    PLIST2_LENGTH = 5,
    PLIST2_TRACKNO = 6,
    PLIST2_LAST = 7
}RCPlist2Column;
```

The enum type to show the columns in ListStore2.

**PLIST2\_URI** the URI of the music

**PLIST2\_STATE** the state of the music

**PLIST2\_TITLE** the title of the music

**PLIST2\_ARTIST** the artist of the music

**PLIST2\_ALBUM** the album of the music

**PLIST2\_LENGTH** the time length of the music

**PLIST2\_TRACKNO** the track number of the music

**PLIST2\_LAST** the column number of list2

## rc\_plist\_init ()

```
gboolean          rc_plist_init          ();
```

Initialize playlists. Can be used only once.

**Returns :** Whether the initiation succeeds.

## rc\_plist\_exit ()

```
void              rc_plist_exit          ();
```

Free all playlists data.

## rc\_plist\_insert\_list ()

```
gboolean          rc_plist_insert_list   (const gchar *listname,
                                           gint index);
```

Insert a new playlist into the playlist.

**listname :** the name of the new playlist

**index :** the position to insert, set to -1 to append to the last

**Returns :** Whether the insertion succeeds.



### **rc\_plist\_insert\_music ()**

```
gboolean          rc_plist_insert_music      (const gchar *uri,  
                                              gint list1_index,  
                                              gint list2_index);
```

Import music by given URI to the playlist.

**uri** : the URI of the music

**list1\_index** : the index of the playlists to insert to

**list2\_index** : the position where the music insert to, -1 to append to the last

**Returns** : Whether the insertion succeeds.

### **rc\_plist\_list2\_insert\_item ()**

```
void              rc_plist_list2_insert_item (const gchar *uri,  
                                              const gchar *title,  
                                              const gchar *artist,  
                                              const gchar *album,  
                                              gint64 length,  
                                              gint trackno,  
                                              GtkListStore *store,  
                                              gint list2_index);
```

Insert music to list2 by metadata. WARNING: This function is only used in insertion job, if you really want to insert a music, please use [rc\\_plist\\_insert\\_music\(\)](#).

**uri** : the URI of the item

**title** : the title of the item

**artist** : the artist of the item

**album** : the album of the item

**length** : the time length of the item

**trackno** : the track number of the item

**store** : the GtkListStore to insert to

**list2\_index** : the position to insert to

### **rc\_plist\_list2\_refresh\_item ()**

```
void              rc_plist_list2_refresh_item (const gchar *uri,  
                                              const gchar *title,  
                                              const gchar *artist,  
                                              const gchar *album,  
                                              gint64 length,  
                                              gint trackno,  
                                              GtkTreeRowReference *reference);
```

Refresh the item in list2 by metadata. WARNING: This function is only used in refresh job, if you really want to refresh the playlist, please use [rc\\_plist\\_list2\\_refresh\(\)](#).

**uri** : the URI of the item

**title** : the title of the item

**artist** : the artist of the item

**album** : the album of the item

**length** : the time length of the item

**trackno** : the track number of the item

**reference** : the path reference of the item

#### **rc\_plist\_list2\_remove\_item ()**

```
void rc_plist_list2_remove_item (GtkTreeRowReference *reference);
```

Remove invalid item in list2. WARNING: This function is only used to remove invalid music item.

**reference** : the path reference of the item

#### **rc\_plist\_remove\_list ()**

```
gboolean rc_plist_remove_list (gint index);
```

Remove a playlist by given index.

**index** : the index of the playlist to remove

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.

#### **rc\_plist\_get\_list1\_name ()**

```
gchar * rc_plist_get_list1_name (gint index);
```

Return the name of the list.

**index** : the index number of the playlist

**Returns** : The name of the list, NULL if not found, free after usage.

#### **rc\_plist\_get\_list1\_length ()**

```
gint rc_plist_get_list1_length ();
```

Return the length of playlists.

**Returns** : The length of playlists.

#### **rc\_plist\_set\_list1\_name ()**

```
void rc_plist_set_list1_name (gint index,  
                             const gchar *name);
```

Rename an exist playlist.

**index** : the index of the playlist to rename

**name** : the new name

### **rc\_plist\_get\_list2\_length ()**

```
gint          rc_plist_get_list2_length      (gint index);
```

Return the music number in the playlist.

**index** : the index of the playlist

**Returns** : The music number in the playlist.

### **rc\_plist\_play\_by\_index ()**

```
gboolean      rc_plist_play_by_index        (gint list_index,  
                                             gint music_index);
```

Play music by given list1 index and list2 index.

**list\_index** : the index of the playlist

**music\_index** : the index of the music in the playlist

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.

### **rc\_plist\_play\_get\_index ()**

```
gboolean      rc_plist_play_get_index       (gint *index1,  
                                             gint *index2);
```

Get the playlist index number and the music index number of playing music.

**index1** : the index of the playlist

**index2** : the index of the music in the playlist

**Returns** : Whether the indexes are set.

### **rc\_plist\_stop ()**

```
void          rc_plist_stop                 ();
```

Clean the references data when the player stops.

### **rc\_plist\_play\_prev ()**

```
gboolean      rc_plist_play_prev           ();
```

Play the previous music in the playlist.

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.

### **rc\_plist\_play\_next ()**

```
gboolean          rc_plist_play_next          (gboolean flag);
```

Play the next music in the playlist.

**flag** : whether the operation is produced by player, if it is TRUE, the operation will effect by playing mode (repeat mode and random mode)

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.

### **rc\_plist\_set\_play\_mode ()**

```
void              rc_plist_set_play_mode      (gint repeat,  
                                              gint random);
```

Set the play mode of the player.

**repeat** : the repeat mode

**random** : the random mode

### **rc\_plist\_get\_play\_mode ()**

```
void              rc_plist_get_play_mode      (gint *repeat,  
                                              gint *random);
```

Get the play mode of the player.

**repeat** : return the repeat mode, can be NULL

**random** : return the random mdoe, can be NULL

### **rc\_plist\_load\_playlist\_setting ()**

```
gboolean          rc_plist_load_playlist_setting  ();
```

Load playlists from file.

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.

### **rc\_plist\_save\_playlist\_setting ()**

```
gboolean          rc_plist_save_playlist_setting  ();
```

Save the playlist settings to file.

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.

### **rc\_plist\_build\_default\_list ()**

```
void              rc_plist_build_default_list      ();
```

Make a default playlist.

### **rc\_plist\_plist\_move2 ()**

```
void                rc_plist_plist_move2                (gint list_index,  
                                                         GtkTreePath **from_paths,  
                                                         gint f_length,  
                                                         gint to_list_index);
```

Move item(s) in the playlist to another playlist.

**list\_index** : the index of the source playlist

**from\_paths** : the GtkTreePaths to move

**f\_length** : the length of the the GtkTreePaths

**to\_list\_index** : the index of the target playlist

### **rc\_plist\_save\_playlist ()**

```
void                rc_plist_save_playlist              (const gchar *s_filename,  
                                                         gint index);
```

Save the playlist to a file.

**s\_filename** : the path of the playlist file

**index** : the index of the playlist to save

### **rc\_plist\_load\_playlist ()**

```
void                rc_plist_load_playlist              (const gchar *s_filename,  
                                                         gint index);
```

Load a playlist from a playlist file.

**s\_filename** : the path of the playlist file

**index** : the index of the playlist to load

### **rc\_plist\_get\_list\_store ()**

```
GtkListStore *      rc_plist_get_list_store            (gint index);
```

Return the GtkListStore of the playlist by given index.

**index** : the index of the playlist

**Returns** : The GtkListStore of the playlist.

### **rc\_plist\_get\_list\_head ()**

```
GtkListStore *      rc_plist_get_list_head            ();
```

Return the GtkListStore of the playlists.

**Returns** : The GtkListStore of the playlists.

### **rc\_plist\_list2\_refresh ()**

```
gboolean          rc_plist_list2_refresh          (gint list1_index);
```

Refresh the music information in the playlist.

**list1\_index** : the index of the playlist to refresh

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.

### **rc\_plist\_import\_job\_get\_length ()**

```
gint          rc_plist_import_job_get_length      ();
```

Return the remaining job length in the job queue.

**Returns** : The remaining job length in the job queue.

### **rc\_plist\_import\_job\_cancel ()**

```
void          rc_plist_import_job_cancel          ();
```

Cancel all remaining jobs in the job queue.

### **rc\_plist\_load\_argument ()**

```
void          rc_plist_load_argument              (char *argv[]);
```

Import music from the given argument list.

**argv** : the argument list

### **rc\_plist\_load\_uri\_from\_remote ()**

```
gboolean          rc_plist_load_uri_from_remote    (const gchar *uri);
```

Import music from remote (e.g. D-Bus) by given URI.

**uri** : the URI of the music to import

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.

## **1.8 Settings**

Settings — Manage the settings of the player.

## Synopsis

```
#include <settings.h>
```

void	rc_set_init	();
void	rc_set_exit	();
gchar *	rc_set_get_string	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, GError **error);
gint	rc_set_get_integer	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, GError **error);
gdouble	rc_set_get_double	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, GError **error);
gboolean	rc_set_get_boolean	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, GError **error);
gchar **	rc_set_get_string_list	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gsize *length, GError **error);
gboolean *	rc_set_get_boolean_list	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gsize *length, GError **error);
gint *	rc_set_get_integer_list	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gsize *length, GError **error);
gdouble *	rc_set_get_double_list	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gsize *length, GError **error);
void	rc_set_set_string	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, const gchar *string);
void	rc_set_set_boolean	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gboolean value);
void	rc_set_set_integer	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gint value);
void	rc_set_set_double	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gdouble value);
void	rc_set_set_string_list	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, const gchar * const list[], gsize length);
void	rc_set_set_boolean_list	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gboolean list[], gsize length);
void	rc_set_set_integer_list	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gint list[],

```
void                rc_set_set_double_list      (gsize length);
                                                         (const gchar *group_name,
                                                         const gchar *key,
                                                         gdouble list[],
                                                         gsize length);
gboolean            rc_set_load_setting         (const gchar *filename);
void                rc_set_save_setting        (const gchar *filename);
GKeyFile *          rc_set_get_plugin_configure ();
```

## Description

Manage the settings of player. Store settings in an ini-like configuration file.

## Details

### rc\_set\_init ()

```
void                rc_set_init                ();
```

Initialize and load the settings of the player.

### rc\_set\_exit ()

```
void                rc_set_exit                ();
```

Free the settings when exits.

### rc\_set\_get\_string ()

```
gchar *            rc_set_get_string           (const gchar *group_name,
                                                         const gchar *key,
                                                         GError **error);
```

Returns the string value associated with key under group\_name.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**error** : return location for a GError, or NULL

**Returns** : A newly allocated string or NULL if the specified key cannot be found.

### rc\_set\_get\_integer ()

```
gint                rc_set_get_integer         (const gchar *group_name,
                                                         const gchar *key,
                                                         GError **error);
```

Returns the value associated with key under group\_name as an integer.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**error** : return location for a GError, or NULL

**Returns** : The value associated with the key as an integer, or 0 if the key was not found or could not be parsed.

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### **rc\_set\_get\_double ()**

gdouble	rc_set_get_double	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, GError **error);
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Returns the value associated with key under group\_name as a double. If group\_name is NULL, the start\_group is used.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**error** : return location for a GError, or NULL

**Returns** : The value associated with the key as a double, or 0.0 if the key was not found or could not be parsed.

### **rc\_set\_get\_boolean ()**

gboolean	rc_set_get_boolean	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, GError **error);
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Returns the value associated with key under group\_name as a boolean.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**error** : return location for a GError, or NULL

**Returns** : The value associated with the key as a boolean, or FALSE if the key was not found or could not be parsed.

### **rc\_set\_get\_string\_list ()**

gchar **	rc_set_get_string_list	(const gchar *group_name, const gchar *key, gsize *length, GError **error);
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Returns the values associated with key under group\_name.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**length** : return location for the number of returned strings, or NULL

**error** : return location for a GError, or NULL

**Returns** : A NULL-terminated string array or NULL if the specified key cannot be found. The array should be freed with [g\\_strfreev\(\)](#).

### **rc\_set\_get\_boolean\_list ()**

```
gboolean *          rc_set_get_boolean_list      (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                  const gchar *key,  
                                                  gsize *length,  
                                                  GError **error);
```

Returns the values associated with key under group\_name as booleans.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**length** : the number of booleans returned

**error** : return location for a GError, or NULL

**Returns** : The values associated with the key as a list of booleans, or NULL if the key was not found or could not be parsed.

### **rc\_set\_get\_integer\_list ()**

```
gint *             rc_set_get_integer_list      (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                  const gchar *key,  
                                                  gsize *length,  
                                                  GError **error);
```

Returns the values associated with key under group\_name as integers.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**length** : the number of integers returned

**error** : return location for a GError, or NULL

**Returns** : The values associated with the key as a list of integers, or NULL if the key was not found or could not be parsed.

### **rc\_set\_get\_double\_list ()**

```
gdouble *          rc_set_get_double_list      (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                  const gchar *key,  
                                                  gsize *length,  
                                                  GError **error);
```

Returns the values associated with key under group\_name as doubles.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**length** : the number of doubles returned

**error** : return location for a GError, or NULL

**Returns** : The values associated with the key as a list of doubles, or NULL if the key was not found or could not be parsed.

### **rc\_set\_set\_string ()**

```
void                rc_set_set_string                (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                    const gchar *key,  
                                                    const gchar *string);
```

Associates a new string value with key under group\_name. If key cannot be found then it is created. If group\_name cannot be found then it is created.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**string** : a string

### **rc\_set\_set\_boolean ()**

```
void                rc_set_set_boolean              (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                    const gchar *key,  
                                                    gboolean value);
```

Associates a new boolean value with key under group\_name. If key cannot be found then it is created. If group\_name cannot be found then it is created.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**value** : TRUE or FALSE

### **rc\_set\_set\_integer ()**

```
void                rc_set_set_integer              (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                    const gchar *key,  
                                                    gint value);
```

Associates a new integer value with key under group\_name. If key cannot be found then it is created. If group\_name cannot be found then it is created.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**value** : an integer value

### **rc\_set\_set\_double ()**

```
void                rc_set_set_double              (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                    const gchar *key,  
                                                    gdouble value);
```

Associates a new double value with key under group\_name. If key cannot be found then it is created. If group\_name cannot be found then it is created.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**value** : an double value

### **rc\_set\_set\_string\_list ()**

```
void                rc_set_set_string_list      (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                const gchar *key,  
                                                const gchar * const list[],  
                                                gsize length);
```

Associates a list of string values for key under group\_name. If key cannot be found then it is created. If group\_name cannot be found then it is created.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**list** : an array of string values

**length** : number of string values in list

### **rc\_set\_set\_boolean\_list ()**

```
void                rc_set_set_boolean_list    (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                const gchar *key,  
                                                gboolean list[],  
                                                gsize length);
```

Associates a list of boolean values with key under group\_name. If key cannot be found then it is created. If group\_name is NULL, the start\_group is used.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**list** : an array of boolean values

**length** : number of string values in list

### **rc\_set\_set\_integer\_list ()**

```
void                rc_set_set_integer_list    (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                const gchar *key,  
                                                gint list[],  
                                                gsize length);
```

Associates a list of integer values with key under group\_name. If key cannot be found then it is created. If group\_name is NULL, the start\_group is used.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**list** : an array of integer values

**length** : number of integer values in list

**rc\_set\_set\_double\_list ()**

```
void                rc_set_set_double_list      (const gchar *group_name,  
                                                const gchar *key,  
                                                gdouble list[],  
                                                gsize length);
```

Associates a list of double values with key under group\_name. If key cannot be found then it is created. If group\_name is NULL, the start\_group is used.

**group\_name** : a group name

**key** : a key

**list** : an array of double values

**length** : number of double values in list

**rc\_set\_load\_setting ()**

```
gboolean            rc_set_load_setting        (const gchar *filename);
```

Read configuration from given file.

**filename** : the path of configuration file

**Returns** : Whether the configuration file is read.

**rc\_set\_save\_setting ()**

```
void                rc_set_save_setting        (const gchar *filename);
```

Save configuration data to given file.

**filename** : the path of configuration file

**rc\_set\_get\_plugin\_configure ()**

```
GKeyFile *          rc_set_get_plugin_configure  ();
```

Return the GKeyFile of plugin configuration.

**Returns** : The GKeyFile of plugin configuration.

## 1.9 Plugin Support

Plugin Support — Plugin support of the player.

## Synopsis

```
#include <plugin.h>

enum                RCPluginType;
                   RCPluginConfData;
                   RCPluginModuleData;

void                rc_plugin_init                ();
void                rc_plugin_exit                ();
gboolean            rc_plugin_search_dir          (const gchar *dirname);
const GSList *      rc_plugin_get_list           ();
void                rc_plugin_list_free          ();
void                rc_plugin_conf_free          (RCPluginConfData *plugin_data);
RCPluginConfData *  rc_plugin_conf_load          (const gchar *filename);
gboolean            rc_plugin_load               (RCPluginType type,
                                                  const gchar *filename);

gboolean            rc_plugin_configure          (RCPluginType type,
                                                  const gchar *filename);

void                rc_plugin_close              (RCPluginType type,
                                                  const gchar *filename);

gboolean            rc_plugin_check_running      (RCPluginType type,
                                                  const gchar *path);
```

## Description

Plugin support of the player. It supports module type (usually it is a dynamic link library) plugin.

## Details

### enum RCPluginType

```
typedef enum RCPluginType {
    PLUGIN_TYPE_MODULE = 1,
} RCPluginType;
```

The enum type to show the type of the plugin.

**PLUGIN\_TYPE\_MODULE** the plugin is a module

### RCPluginConfData

```
typedef struct {
    gchar *path;
    gchar *name;
    gchar *desc;
    gchar *author;
    gchar *version;
    gchar *website;
    RCPluginType type;
} RCPluginConfData;
```

The plugin configuration data structure.

***gchar \*path***; the path of the plugin file

**gchar \*name;** the name of the plugin

**gchar \*desc;** the description of the plugin

**gchar \*author;** the author of the plugin

**gchar \*version;** the version of the plugin

**gchar \*website;** the website of the plugin

**RCPluginType type;** the type of the plugin

### RCPluginModuleData

```
typedef struct {  
    gchar *group_name;  
    gboolean resident;  
} RCPluginModuleData;
```

The data structure of module.

**gchar \*group\_name;** the group name used in plugin configure file

**gboolean resident;** whether the plugin can be removed while the player is running

### rc\_plugin\_init ()

```
void                rc_plugin_init                ();
```

Initialize the plugin support of the player. Can be used only once.

### rc\_plugin\_exit ()

```
void                rc_plugin_exit                ();
```

Free and close all plugins when exits.

### rc\_plugin\_search\_dir ()

```
gboolean            rc_plugin_search_dir          (const gchar *dirname);
```

Search all plugins in a directory. And save them in a list.

**dirname :** the path of the directory

**Returns :** Whether the directory has plugin.

### rc\_plugin\_get\_list ()

```
const GSList *      rc_plugin_get_list            ();
```

Return all plugins in the plugin list found before.

**Returns :** The plugin list found before.

### **rc\_plugin\_list\_free ()**

```
void rc_plugin_list_free ();
```

Free and clean the plugin list.

### **rc\_plugin\_conf\_free ()**

```
void rc_plugin_conf_free (RCPluginConfData *plugin_data);
```

Free the plugin configure data.

**plugin\_data** : the plugin configure data

### **rc\_plugin\_conf\_load ()**

```
RCPluginConfData * rc_plugin_conf_load (const gchar *filename);
```

Open a configuration file.

**filename** : the configuration file to open

**Returns** : The configuration data read from the file, NULL if error happens.

### **rc\_plugin\_load ()**

```
gboolean rc_plugin_load (RCPluginType type,  
const gchar *filename);
```

Open and run the plugin.

**type** : the type of the plugin

**filename** : the path of the plugin

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.

### **rc\_plugin\_configure ()**

```
gboolean rc_plugin_configure (RCPluginType type,  
const gchar *filename);
```

Open and configure the plugin.

**type** : the type of the plugin

**filename** : the path of the plugin

**Returns** : Whether the operation succeeds.



**rc\_plugin\_close ()**

```
void                rc_plugin_close                (RCPluginType type,  
                                                    const gchar *filename);
```

Close the plugin.

**type** : the type of the plugin

**filename** : the path of the plugin

**rc\_plugin\_check\_running ()**

```
gboolean            rc_plugin_check_running        (RCPluginType type,  
                                                    const gchar *path);
```

Check if the plugin is running.

**type** : the type of the plugin

**path** : the path of the plugin

**Returns** : Whether the plugin is running.

## 1.10 Debug

Debug — Debug and print debug information.

### Synopsis

```
#include <debug.h>

#define                DEBUG_MODE
gboolean               rc_debug_get_flag                ();
void                   rc_debug_set_mode                (gboolean mode);
gint                   rc_debug_print                   (const gchar *format,  
                                                         ...);
gint                   rc_debug_perror                  (const gchar *format,  
                                                         ...);
```

### Description

Debug and print information of the working status of the player.

### Details

#### DEBUG\_MODE

```
#define DEBUG_MODE FALSE
```

### **rc\_debug\_get\_flag ()**

```
gboolean          rc_debug_get_flag          ();
```

Return the debug flag.

**Returns :** Whether the debug flag is enabled.

### **rc\_debug\_set\_mode ()**

```
void              rc_debug_set_mode          (gboolean mode);
```

Set the debug mode.

**mode :** the debug flag, set to TRUE to enable debug mode

### **rc\_debug\_print ()**

```
gint              rc_debug_print             (const gchar *format,  
                                             ...);
```

Print debug message when debug mode is enabled.

**format :** a standard `printf()` format string

**...** : the arguments to insert in the output

**Returns :** the number of bytes printed.

### **rc\_debug\_perror ()**

```
gint              rc_debug_perror            (const gchar *format,  
                                             ...);
```

Print error message on standard error (stderr).

**format :** a standard `printf()` format string

**...** : the arguments to insert in the output

**Returns :** the number of bytes printed.

## Chapter 2

# Player UI

### 2.1 Main UI

Main UI — The main UI of the player.

#### Synopsis

```
#include <gui.h>
```

	RCGuiData;	
RCGuiData *	rc_gui_get_data	();
gboolean	rc_gui_init	();
void	rc_gui_quit_player	();
void	rc_gui_music_info_set_data	(const gchar *title, const gpointer data);
void	rc_gui_time_label_set_text	(gint64 time);
void	rc_gui_set_play_button_state	(gboolean state);
void	rc_gui_seek_scaler_disable	();
void	rc_gui_seek_scaler_enable	();
void	rc_gui_set_volume	(gdouble volume);
void	rc_gui_set_player_mode	();
gboolean	rc_gui_set_cover_image_by_file	(const gchar *filename);
gboolean	rc_gui_set_cover_image_by_buf	(const GstBuffer *buf);
void	rc_gui_status_task_set	(guint type, guint len);
void	rc_gui_status_progress_set_progress	();
guint	rc_gui_view_add_page	(const gchar *name, const gchar *title, GtkWidget *widget);
gboolean	rc_gui_view_remove_page	(guint id);

#### Description

Show the main UI of the player.

#### Details

##### RCGuiData

```
typedef struct {
    GtkUIManager *main_ui;
    GtkActionGroup *main_action_group;
    GtkWidget *main_window;
    GtkWidget *eq_vbox;
    GtkWidget *plist_notebook;
    GtkWidget *title_label, *artist_label, *album_label;
    GtkWidget *time_label, *length_label, *info_label;
    GtkWidget *album_image, *album_eventbox, *album_frame;
    GtkWidget *control_images[4], *control_buttons[4];
    GtkWidget *volume_button;
    GtkWidget *time_scroll_bar;
    GtkWidget *lrc_label, *lrc_viewport;
    GtkWidget *list1_tree_view, *list2_tree_view;
    GtkWidget *list1_scr_window, *list2_scr_window;
    GtkWidget *status_hbox, *status_progress, *status_label;
    GtkWidget *status_cancel_button;
    GtkWidget *list_hpaned;
    GtkTreeModel *list1_tree_model, *list2_tree_model;
    GtkTreeSelection *list1_selection, *list2_selection;
    GtkCellRenderer *renderer_text[5];
    GtkCellRenderer *renderer_pixbuf[2];
    GtkAdjustment *lrc_vport_adj;
    quint main_window_width;
    quint main_window_height;
    quint status_task_length;
    gboolean update_seek_scale_flag;
    quint time_info_refresh_timeout;
    GtkTreeRowReference *list1_selected_reference;
    GdkPixbuf *no_cover_image;
    GdkPixbuf *icon_image;
    GtkStatusIcon *tray_icon;
} RCGuiData;
```

Custom structure type to store the UI data. Please do not change the data in this structure.

**GtkUIManager \*main\_ui;** the GtkUIManager which manages the menus

**GtkActionGroup \*main\_action\_group;** the action groups

**GtkWidget \*main\_window;** the main window

**GtkWidget \*eq\_vbox;** the GtkWidget which stores equalizer widgets

**GtkWidget \*plist\_notebook;** the notebook which stores playlist widgets

**GtkWidget \*title\_label;** show the title text on the player window

**GtkWidget \*artist\_label;** show the artist text on the player window

**GtkWidget \*album\_label;** show the album text on the player window

**GtkWidget \*time\_label;** show the time text on the player window

**GtkWidget \*length\_label;** show the time length text on the player window

**GtkWidget \*info\_label;** show the music information text on the player window

**GtkWidget \*album\_image;** show album image on the player window

**GtkWidget \*album\_eventbox;** process the events on album image

**GtkWidget \*album\_frame;** the frame of album image widget

**GtkWidget** \**control\_images*[4]; the image widgets of control buttons  
**GtkWidget** \**control\_buttons*[4]; the button widgets of control buttons  
**GtkWidget** \**volume\_button*; the volume control button  
**GtkWidget** \**time\_scroll\_bar*; the time scaler bar  
**GtkWidget** \**lrc\_label*; show lyric text on the player window  
**GtkWidget** \**lrc\_viewport*; the viewport which makes lyric text widget scrollable  
**GtkWidget** \**list1\_tree\_view*; the list view of list1  
**GtkWidget** \**list2\_tree\_view*; the list view of list2  
**GtkWidget** \**list1\_scr\_window*; add scrollbars on list1  
**GtkWidget** \**list2\_scr\_window*; add scrollbars on list2  
**GtkWidget** \**status\_hbox*; the GtkBox which stores status widgets  
**GtkWidget** \**status\_progress*; show progress of status on the player window  
**GtkWidget** \**status\_label*; show status text on the player window  
**GtkWidget** \**status\_cancel\_button*; the cancel button to cancel all working tasks  
**GtkWidget** \**list\_hpaned*; the widget with two adjustable panes  
**GtkTreeModel** \**list1\_tree\_model*; the GtkTreeModel of list1  
**GtkTreeModel** \**list2\_tree\_model*; the GtkTreeModel of list2  
**GtkTreeSelection** \**list1\_selection*; the GtkTreeSelection of list1  
**GtkTreeSelection** \**list2\_selection*; the GtkTreeSelection of list2  
**GtkCellRenderer** \**renderer\_text*[5]; the text renderers of list1 & list2  
**GtkCellRenderer** \**renderer\_pixbuf*[2]; the image renderers of list1 & list2  
**GtkAdjustment** \**lrc\_vport\_adj*; the GtkAdjustment object of lyric viewport  
**guint** *main\_window\_width*; the default width of main window  
**guint** *main\_window\_height*; the default height of main window  
**guint** *status\_task\_length*; the length of working task  
**gboolean** *update\_seek\_scale\_flag*; whether the time scaler can be updated  
**guint** *time\_info\_refresh\_timeout*; the ID of time information update timer  
**GtkTreeRowReference** \**list1\_selected\_reference*; the GtkTreeRowReference of selected item in list1  
**GdkPixbuf** \**no\_cover\_image*; the default image of cover image  
**GdkPixbuf** \**icon\_image*; the icon of the player  
**GtkStatusIcon** \**tray\_icon*; the icon shows on the system tray

**rc\_gui\_get\_data ()**

```
RCGuiData *          rc_gui_get_data          ();
```

Return the data of main UI structure.

**Returns :** The data of main UI structure.

### **rc\_gui\_init ()**

```
gboolean          rc_gui_init          ();
```

Initialize the main window of the player. Can be used only once.

**Returns :** Whether the initiation succeeds.

### **rc\_gui\_quit\_player ()**

```
void              rc_gui_quit_player   ();
```

Quit the player.

### **rc\_gui\_music\_info\_set\_data ()**

```
void              rc_gui_music_info_set_data (const gchar *title,  
                                              const gpointer data);
```

Set the data in the information labels.

**title :** the title to set

**data :** the metadata, the type should be RCMetaData (defined in tag.h)

### **rc\_gui\_time\_label\_set\_text ()**

```
void              rc_gui_time_label_set_text (gint64 time);
```

Set time label of the player.

**time :** the time to set, in nanosecond.

### **rc\_gui\_set\_play\_button\_state ()**

```
void              rc_gui_set_play_button_state (gboolean state);
```

Set play button state.

**state :** the state of the play button, if it's TRUE, the image of the button is pause icon, else the image is play icon.

### **rc\_gui\_seek\_scaler\_disable ()**

```
void              rc_gui_seek_scaler_disable ();
```

Disable the scaler bar and the time control menus.

### **rc\_gui\_seek\_scaler\_enable ()**

```
void              rc_gui_seek_scaler_enable ();
```

Enable the scaler bar and the time control menus.

### **rc\_gui\_set\_volume ()**

```
void                rc_gui_set_volume                (gdouble volume);
```

Set the volume bar value.

**volume** : the volume to set, the value should be between 0.0 and 100.0

### **rc\_gui\_set\_player\_mode ()**

```
void                rc_gui_set_player_mode                ();
```

Set the player repeat mode and random mode (GUI Only). Only used when startup.

### **rc\_gui\_set\_cover\_image\_by\_file ()**

```
gboolean            rc_gui_set_cover_image_by_file        (const gchar *filename);
```

Set the image of cover.

**filename** : the path of the cover image file

**Returns** : Whether the image is set.

### **rc\_gui\_set\_cover\_image\_by\_buf ()**

```
gboolean            rc_gui_set_cover_image_by_buf        (const GstBuffer *buf);
```

Set the image of cover by GstBuffer.

**buf** : the GstBuffer which contains the cover image

**Returns** : Whether the image is set.

### **rc\_gui\_status\_task\_set ()**

```
void                rc_gui_status_task_set                (guint type,  
                                                         guint len);
```

Set the type and the length of tasks.

**type** : the task type: 1=Import, 2=Refresh others=None

**len** : the length of the task

### **rc\_gui\_status\_progress\_set\_progress ()**

```
void                rc_gui_status_progress_set_progress  ();
```

Set the remaining tasks for status progressbar. This function is usually used to refresh the work status.

**rc\_gui\_view\_add\_page ()**

```
guint          rc_gui_view_add_page          (const gchar *name,  
                                              const gchar *title,  
                                              GtkWidget *widget);
```

Add new view page and menu to player.

**name** : the name of the menu to add

**title** : the string which shows on the menu

**widget** : the widget to add to the page

**Returns** : The unique ID of the added page.

**rc\_gui\_view\_remove\_page ()**

```
gboolean       rc_gui_view_remove_page      (guint id);
```

Remove a view page from player.

**id** : the unique ID of the page to remove

**Returns** : Whether this operation is succeeded.

## 2.2 Dialogs

Dialogs — Dialogs in the player.

### Synopsis

```
#include <gui.h>

#define          MAX_DIR_DEPTH
void            rc_gui_about_player          ();
void            rc_gui_show_message_dialog  (GtkMessageType type,  
                                             const gchar *title,  
                                             const gchar *format,  
                                             ...);

void            rc_gui_show_open_dialog     ();
void            rc_gui_open_music_directory ();
void            rc_gui_save_playlist_dialog ();
void            rc_gui_load_playlist_dialog ();
void            rc_gui_save_all_playlists_dialog ();
```

### Description

Show dialogs in the player.



## Details

### MAX\_DIR\_DEPTH

```
#define MAX_DIR_DEPTH 5
```

Maximum search depth while searching the music files in a directory.

### rc\_gui\_about\_player ()

```
void rc_gui_about_player ();
```

Show the about information of this player.

### rc\_gui\_show\_message\_dialog ()

```
void rc_gui_show_message_dialog (GtkMessageType type,  
                                const gchar *title,  
                                const gchar *format,  
                                ...);
```

Show message dialog in the player.

**type**: type of message

**title**: title of the message

**format**: printf()-style format string, or NULL, allow-none

**...**: arguments for *format*

### rc\_gui\_show\_open\_dialog ()

```
void rc_gui_show_open_dialog ();
```

Show a music import dialog for importing music files.

### rc\_gui\_open\_music\_directory ()

```
void rc_gui_open_music_directory ();
```

Show a music import dialog for importing all music files in a directory.

### rc\_gui\_save\_playlist\_dialog ()

```
void rc_gui_save_playlist_dialog ();
```

Show a playlist export dialog for exporting the selected playlist to a playlist file (M3U Format).

### rc\_gui\_load\_playlist\_dialog ()

```
void rc_gui_load_playlist_dialog ();
```

Show a playlist import dialog for importing all music files in the playlist file.

**rc\_gui\_save\_all\_playlists\_dialog ()**

```
void rc_gui_save_all_playlists_dialog ();
```

Show a playlist export dialog for exporting all playlists in the player to playlist files, then putting these files into the given directory.

## 2.3 Equalizer UI

Equalizer UI — The equalizer of the player.

### Synopsis

```
#include <gui_eq.h>

RCGuiEQData;

void rc_gui_eq_data_init ();
void rc_gui_eq_init ();
RCGuiEQData * rc_gui_eq_get_data ();
```

### Description

Show the equalizer of the player.

### Details

#### RCGuiEQData

```
typedef struct {
    GtkWidget *eq_combobox;
    GtkWidget *eq_scales[10];
    GtkWidget *eq_labels[10];
    GtkWidget *db_labels[3];
    GtkWidget *save_button;
    GtkWidget *import_button;
} RCGuiEQData;
```

Custom structure type to store the equalizer UI data. Please do not change the data in this structure.

**GtkWidget \*eq\_combobox;** the combo-box

**GtkWidget \*eq\_scales[10];** scalars

**GtkWidget \*eq\_labels[10];** labels to show the frequencies

**GtkWidget \*db\_labels[3];** labels to show the decibels

**GtkWidget \*save\_button;** the button to save the equalizer style

**GtkWidget \*import\_button;** the button to import the equalizer style

#### rc\_gui\_eq\_data\_init ()

```
void rc_gui_eq_data_init ();
```

Initialize the equalizer data. Can be used only once.

**rc\_gui\_eq\_init ()**

```
void rc_gui_eq_init ();
```

Initialize the equalizer UI. Can be used only once.

**rc\_gui\_eq\_get\_data ()**

```
RCGuiEQData * rc_gui_eq_get_data ();
```

Return the UI Data of the equalizer.

**Returns :** the UI data of the equalizer.

## 2.4 UI Styles and Themes

UI Styles and Themes — Set the styles and themes of the player window.

### Synopsis

```
#include <gui_style.h>
```

```
RCGuiColorStyle;
void rc_gui_style_init ();
void rc_gui_style_refresh ();
void rc_gui_style_set_color_style (const RCGuiColorStyle *style_data
const RCGuiColorStyle * rc_gui_style_get_color_style (gint index);
void rc_gui_style_set_color_style_by_index (gint index);
```

### Description

Set the styles and themes of the player window.

### Details

#### RCGuiColorStyle

```
typedef struct {
    gchar name[32];
    GdkColor label_font_color;
    GdkColor time_font_color;
    GdkColor title_font_color;
    GdkColor artist_font_color;
    GdkColor album_font_color;
    GdkColor info_font_color;
    GdkColor length_font_color;
    GdkColor lyric_font_color;
    GdkColor window_bg_color;
    GdkColor time_scalerbar_handle_normal_color;
    GdkColor time_scalerbar_handle_prelight_color;
    GdkColor time_scalerbar_handle_selected_color;
```

```
GdkColor button_bg_color;  
GdkColor button_prelight_color;  
GdkColor button_active_color;  
GdkColor listview_base_normal_color;  
GdkColor listview_base_selected_color;  
GdkColor listview_base_active_color;  
GdkColor listview_font_normal_color;  
GdkColor listview_font_selected_color;  
GdkColor listview_font_active_color;  
GdkColor listview_scrbar_color;  
} RCGuiColorStyle;
```

The color style data structure.

**gchar name[32];** the name of the color style

**GdkColor label\_font\_color;** the font color of the labels

**GdkColor time\_font\_color;** the font color of the time label

**GdkColor title\_font\_color;** the font color of the title label

**GdkColor artist\_font\_color;** the font color of the artist label

**GdkColor album\_font\_color;** the font color of the album label

**GdkColor info\_font\_color;** the font color of the information label

**GdkColor length\_font\_color;** the font color of the time length label

**GdkColor lyric\_font\_color;** the font color of the lyric label

**GdkColor window\_bg\_color;** the background color of the player window

**GdkColor time\_scalerbar\_handle\_normal\_color;** the color of the handle of the time scalerbar

**GdkColor time\_scalerbar\_handle\_prelight\_color;** the color of the handle of the time scalerbar when the mouse cursor is on the handle

**GdkColor time\_scalerbar\_handle\_selected\_color;** the color of the handle of the time scalerbar when the handle is clicked

**GdkColor button\_bg\_color;** the background color of the buttons

**GdkColor button\_prelight\_color;** the color of the buttons when the mouse cursor is on them

**GdkColor button\_active\_color;** the color of the buttons when they are clicked

**GdkColor listview\_base\_normal\_color;** the background color of the playlist views

**GdkColor listview\_base\_selected\_color;** the color of the cursors in the playlist views

**GdkColor listview\_base\_active\_color;** the color of the cursors in the playlist views when the view is focused

**GdkColor listview\_font\_normal\_color;** the color of the texts in the playlist views

**GdkColor listview\_font\_selected\_color;** the color of the texts in the playlist views when the item is selected

**GdkColor listview\_font\_active\_color;** the color of the texts in the playlist views when the item is selected and the view is focused

**GdkColor listview\_scrbar\_color;** the color of the scroll bars in the playlist views

**rc\_gui\_style\_init ()**

```
void rc_gui_style_init ();
```

Initialize the theme style of the player window. Can be used only once.

**rc\_gui\_style\_refresh ()**

```
void rc_gui_style_refresh ();
```

Apply the style configuration in the player settings.

**rc\_gui\_style\_set\_color\_style ()**

```
void rc_gui_style_set_color_style (const RCGuiColorStyle *style_data) ↵  
;
```

Set the color style of the player by given data.

**style\_data** : the color style data to set

**rc\_gui\_style\_get\_color\_style ()**

```
const RCGuiColorStyle * rc_gui_style_get_color_style (gint index);
```

Return the embedded color style in the player by given index.

**index** : the index number of the color style

**Returns** : The color style data.

**rc\_gui\_style\_set\_color\_style\_by\_index ()**

```
void rc_gui_style_set_color_style_by_index  
(gint index);
```

Set the color style of the player to the embedded color style in the player by given index.

**index** : the index number of the color style

## 2.5 Playlist Views UI

Playlist Views UI — The playlist views of the player.

## Synopsis

```
#include <gui_treeview.h>
```

```
void          rc_gui_treeview_init                ();
void          rc_gui_list_tree_reset_list_store   ();
void          rc_gui_select_list1                 (gint list_index);
void          rc_gui_select_list2                 (gint list_index);
void          rc_gui_list1_new_list                ();
void          rc_gui_list1_delete_list            ();
gint          rc_gui_list1_get_selected_index     ();
void          rc_gui_list2_delete_lists           ();
void          rc_gui_list2_select_all             ();
void          rc_gui_list1_rename_list            ();
```

## Description

Show the playlist views in the player.

## Details

### **rc\_gui\_treeview\_init ()**

```
void          rc_gui_treeview_init                ();
```

Initialize the tree views in the main window. Can be used only once.

### **rc\_gui\_list\_tree\_reset\_list\_store ()**

```
void          rc_gui_list_tree_reset_list_store   ();
```

Reset the playlist views.

### **rc\_gui\_select\_list1 ()**

```
void          rc_gui_select_list1                 (gint list_index);
```

Make the cursor select one item in the playlist by index.

**list\_index** : the index of the item

### **rc\_gui\_select\_list2 ()**

```
void          rc_gui_select_list2                 (gint list_index);
```

Make the cursor select one music in the playlist.

**list\_index** : the index of the item

---

### **rc\_gui\_list1\_new\_list ()**

```
void rc_gui_list1_new_list ();
```

Create a new list with the name the user inputs.

### **rc\_gui\_list1\_delete\_list ()**

```
void rc_gui_list1_delete_list ();
```

Delete the playlist the user selected.

### **rc\_gui\_list1\_get\_selected\_index ()**

```
gint rc_gui_list1_get_selected_index ();
```

Return the index of the selected playlist.

**Returns :** The index of the selected playlist.

### **rc\_gui\_list2\_delete\_lists ()**

```
void rc_gui_list2_delete_lists ();
```

Delete the selected item(s) in the playlist.

### **rc\_gui\_list2\_select\_all ()**

```
void rc_gui_list2_select_all ();
```

Select all items in the playlist.

### **rc\_gui\_list1\_rename\_list ()**

```
void rc_gui_list1_rename_list ();
```

Rename a list (make the name of the selected playlist editable).

## **2.6 Mini Mode UI**

Mini Mode UI — The mini mode UI of the player.

## Synopsis

```
#include <gui_mini.h>
```

```
void rc_gui_mini_init ();
RCGuiMiniData * rc_gui_mini_get_data ();
void rc_gui_mini_set_info_text (const gchar *text);
void rc_gui_mini_set_lyric_text (const gchar *text);
void rc_gui_mini_info_text_move ();
void rc_gui_mini_set_lyric_persent (gdouble persent);
void rc_gui_mini_set_play_state (gboolean state);
void rc_gui_mini_set_time_text (gint64 pos);
void rc_gui_mini_window_hide ();
void rc_gui_mini_window_show ();
void rc_gui_mini_mini_mode_clicked ();
void rc_gui_mini_normal_mode_clicked ();
```

## Description

Show the mini mode of the player.

## Details

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_init ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_init ();
```

Initialize the mini mode window of the player. Can be used only once.

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_get\_data ()**

```
RCGuiMiniData * rc_gui_mini_get_data ();
```

Return the data of mini mode UI structure.

**Returns :** The data of mini mode UI structure.

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_set\_info\_text ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_set_info_text (const gchar *text);
```

Set the text of the information label.

**text :** the text which shows on the information label

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_set\_lyric\_text ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_set_lyric_text (const gchar *text);
```

Set the lyric text of the lyric label.

**text :** the lyric text which shows on the lyric label

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### **rc\_gui\_mini\_info\_text\_move ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_info_text_move ();
```

Make the view of the information label move if the text inside is too long.

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_set\_lyric\_persent ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_set_lyric_persent (gdouble persent);
```

Make the view of the lyric label move by given persent if the lyric text is too long.

***persent*** : the persent position of the lyric text

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_set\_play\_state ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_set_play_state (gboolean state);
```

Set play button state.

***state*** : the state of the play button, if it's TRUE, the image of the button is pause icon, else the image is play icon.

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_set\_time\_text ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_set_time_text (gint64 pos);
```

Set time label.

***pos*** : the time to set, in nanosecond.

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_window\_hide ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_window_hide ();
```

Hide the mini mode window.

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_window\_show ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_window_show ();
```

Show the mini mode window.

### **rc\_gui\_mini\_mini\_mode\_clicked ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_mini_mode_clicked ();
```

Enable mini mode.

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### **rc\_gui\_mini\_normal\_mode\_clicked ()**

```
void rc_gui_mini_normal_mode_clicked ();
```

Return to normal mode.

## **2.7 Settings UI**

Settings UI — The settings window of the player.

### **Synopsis**

```
#include <gui_setting.h>
```

```
void rc_gui_create_setting_window ();
```

### **Description**

Show the settings window of the player.

### **Details**

#### **rc\_gui\_create\_setting\_window ()**

```
void rc_gui_create_setting_window ();
```

Show a setting window.

## **2.8 Plugin Configuration UI**

Plugin Configuration UI — The plugin configuration window of the player.

### **Synopsis**

```
#include <gui_plugin.h>
```

```
void rc_gui_plugin_window_create ();
```

### **Description**

Show the plugin configuration window of the player.

### **Details**

#### **rc\_gui\_plugin\_window\_create ()**

```
void rc_gui_plugin_window_create ();
```

Show the plugin configuration window.

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## **Part II**

# **Plugin Programming Manual**

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This part describes how to write a plugin for RhythmCat Music Player.

## Chapter 3

# Plugin Programming Manual

RhythmCat Music Player uses plugin support system to expand its functions and features. This manual can help you implement a plugin for the player.

### Introduction

The plugin used in the player now is module, it is usually a shared-object (on Linux) or a dynamic linked library (on Windows). When the player loads the plugin, it will load it into memory, then execute the initialize function in the module. GLib provides the feature "Dynamic Loading of Modules", which is called "GModule" in the library. This player uses this feature to provide plugin support.

### Preparation

Before you prepare to write the plugin, you should install development environment. GLib 2.0, GTK+ 2.0 and Gstreamer 0.10 and their development packages, and the other libraries you needed in your plugin are necessary to install.

### Implement a simple plugin

The plugin needs the libraries to work, so you should include the header files. You can include them by the codes below:

```
#include <glib.h>
#include <gst/gst.h>
#include <gtk/gtk.h>
#include "plugin.h"
```

The interfaces/functions needed by the player in your plugin are `g_module_check_init()`, `g_module_unload()`, `rc_plugin_module_init()`, `rc_plugin_module_exit()`, `rc_plugin_module_data()`, and `rc_plugin_module_configure()` is optional. Once the plugin is loaded, `g_module_check_init()` will be called automatically, you can write the codes you want to initialize the configuration data in the function. If the plugin is about to exit, `g_module_unload()` will be called automatically, you can write the codes in the function to free all memory you have allocated. When the player is about to enable the plugin, `rc_plugin_module_init()` will be called, you can finish the function to implement your plugin. When the player tries to disable the plugin, `rc_plugin_module_exit()` will be called, you can finish the function to exit from your plugin. The player also needs some information about the plugin, it will call `rc_plugin_module_data()` to get the data, you should finish it by returning the information of your plugin. The definition of these functions are:

```
/* Necessary */
const gchar *g_module_check_init(GModule *module);
void g_module_unload(GModule *module);
gint rc_plugin_module_init();
void rc_plugin_module_exit();
const RCPluginModuleData *rc_plugin_module_data();
/* Optional */
void rc_plugin_module_configure();
```

The definition of type **RCPluginModuleData** is in header file "plugin.h":

```
typedef struct RCPluginModuleData {  
    gchar *group_name;  
    gboolean resident;  
}RCPluginModuleData;
```

The element `group_name` is used in the configuration file, the player needs it to get the configuration data of the plugin by the group name, it should be unique, or the configuration data may conflict with other plugins. The element `resident` decides whether the plugin can be removed while the player is running, set it to `TRUE` to prevent the player from removing it.

If the plugin needs configuration, the function **rc\_plugin\_module\_configure()** should be implemented. It will be called when the user tries to configure the plugin. You can show a configure dialog to make the user configure the features in the plugin. If you need to load/save the configuration data, you should use the function **rc\_set\_get\_plugin\_configure()** (in header file "settings.h"), it will return the `GKeyFile` pointer of the plugin configuration data. You can read/write your configuration by using "Key-value file parser" in `GLib`. Notice that you should only read/write the configuration which is related to your plugin (by the group name).

Here is an example plugin implemented below:

**Example 3.1** The example plugin

```
#include <glib.h>
#include <glib/gprintf.h>
#include <gst/gst.h>
#include <gtk/gtk.h>
#include "plugin.h"

static RCPluginModuleData plugin_module_data =
{
    "ExamplePlugin", /* group_name */
    FALSE /* resident */
};

static GKeyFile *keyfile = NULL;

const gchar *g_module_check_init(GModule *module)
{
    g_printf("ExamplePlugin: Plugin loaded successfully!\n");
    keyfile = rc_set_get_plugin_configure();

    /* Change configuration data like below: */
    /* Save configuration string "HelloData" to key "TestString". */
    g_key_file_set_string(keyfile, plugin_module_data.group_name,
        "TestString", "HelloData");
    /* If you want to set other data types, please see the GKeyFile section
       in GLib. */

    /* Implement more initialize functions here. */

    return NULL;
    /* If there is no error, return NULL, else return the error string. */
}

void g_module_unload(GModule *module)
{
    g_printf("ExamplePlugin: Plugin unloaded!\n");
    /* Do some cleaning work here. */
}

gint rc_plugin_module_init()
{
    g_printf("ExamplePlugin: Plugin is running!\n");

    /* Get configuration data like below: */
    /* Load configuration string from key "TestString". */
    gchar *string = g_key_file_get_string(keyfile,
        plugin_module_data.group_name, "TestString", NULL);
    g_printf("TestString=%s\n", string); /* Show the string. */
    g_free(string); /* Remember to free pointer after usage. */

    /* Implement plugin features here. */

    return 0;
    /* If there is no error, return 0, else return the error code. */
}

void rc_plugin_module_exit()
{
    g_printf("ExamplePlugin: Plugin is not running now!\n");
    /* Disable all features of the plugin, and do some cleaning work. */
}

void rc_plugin_module_configure()
{
    /* Show configure dialog if necessary. */
}

const RCPluginModuleData *rc_plugin_module_data()
{

```

## How to compile the plugin

The plugin is a module, so you have to compile it into a library. On Linux, it is shared-object(.so). It is recommended to write a Makefile to compile the plugin, or use autoconf/automake.

Here is the Makefile of the example plugin mentioned above (the source file name is example.c).

```
CC=gcc
PLUGIN_NAME=example.so
INCS=
SRCS=example.c
OBJS=${SRCS:.c=.o}

LIBS=glib-2.0 gtk+-2.0 gstreamer-0.10

CFLAGS='pkg-config --cflags ${LIBS}' -Wall -O2 -fPIC -I../src/
LDFLAGS='pkg-config --libs ${LIBS}' -Wall -O2 -shared -fPIC

all: ${PLUGIN_NAME}

${PLUGIN_NAME}:${OBJS}
    ${CC} -o ${PLUGIN_NAME} ${OBJS} ${LDFLAGS}

${OBJS}:${INCS}

.c.o:
    ${CC} -c $< ${CFLAGS}

clean:
    rm -f *.o ${PLUGIN_NAME}

rebuild: clean all
```

This Makefile will produce shared-object example.so when it is executed.

## Write a plugin description file

Except the library file, the player also needs the description file to get necessary information about the plugin. You need to write a description file to make your plugin usable by the player.

Here is the description file of the example plugin mentioned above.

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### Example 3.2 The description file of the example plugin

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```
[RC Plugin] # The group name must be "RC Plugin".
Type=Module # Must be "Module" now.
File=example.so # The filename of the plugin library file.
Name=Example Plugin # The name of the plugin
Description=This is an example plugin. # The description of the plugin.
Authors=SuperCat <supercatexpert@gmail.com> # The author information.
Version=0.1 # The version
Website=http://code.google.com/p/rhythmcat # The website.
```

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## Make your custom plugin work

Now you may have implemented the plugin, then you should put the files into the right directory. The player needs two files to make the plugin work, one is the library file, the other is the description file, and put them into a director. The directory which contains the two files should be named with the filename of the description file (without extension name), and then put it into the plugin directory. There are two places where you can put the plugin directory, one is under \$APP\_DIR/plugins/ (\$APP\_DIR is

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the directory where the program data is), the other is under `~/.RhythmCat/Plugins/`. The plugin directory may be described like this:

```
ExamplePlugin
----ExamplePlugin.conf # The description file.
----example.so # The plugin library file.
```

Then put directory "ExamplePlugin" into `$APP_DIR/plugins/` or `~/.RhythmCat/Plugins/`

### Catch signals in the player

Sometimes we need signals to know the working state of the player. When the player starts to play, or being stopped, it will emit signals. The way to catch these signals is to connect the signals to the callback functions you implemented. If you want to use signals, you should include header file `"player_object.h"` first, then you can connect the signals to your callback functions by using `rc_player_object_signal_connect_simple()`. The signal names are provided in object `RCPlayer`. This function will return the signal ID, and when you uninitialize your plugin, please remember remove the signal first, by using function `rc_player_object_signal_disconnect()`.

### About this manual

This manual helps you to make a usable plugin for RhythmCat Music Player. If you have any questions or problems, please leave issues on the project [homepage](#), or send an e-mail to [me](#). I also have implemented some plugins for the player, you can view the source codes of them for reference.

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