

AMD TrueAudio Next API

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1 Introduction

Today, most real-time audio processing on PCs is done on the CPU, or fixed purpose DSPs. AMD APUs and graphics cards have GPUs that could, with some driver changes, be used for realtime audio and other digital signal processing purposes.

1.1 Overview

This document describes an Application Programming Interface (API) for a GPU accelerated audio processing library.

1.2 Definitions, Acronyms and Abbreviations

PCM - Pulse Code Modulation a stream of signed integers representing a digitized analog audio signal.

FFT – Fast Fourier Transform a fast algorithm implementing the Fourier Transform.

1.3 Design Considerations

1.3.1 Floating point format used for processing

To minimize unnecessary conversions, all signal processing functions in the API operate on non-interleaved, 1D arrays of floats. Conversion functions are provided to de-interleave and convert interleaved integer arrays to 1D float arrays for input from PCM streams, and convert and re-interleave floats to integer PCM streams for output to PCM streams.

1.3.2 Transparent OpenCL context

OpenCL contexts and queues used by functions in this API are accessible by application code. The developer using this library have control of creation and management of OpenCL contexts and queues.

1.3.3 C++ implementation interface

C++ headers are provided that expose public classes and methods.

2 API Specifications

For clarity, API functions and associated structures will be divided into two broad categories, Low Level, and High Level APIs, Each of these will contain groups of related functions.

2.1 Low Level APIs

2.1.1 Status codes

This section describes status return codes used by all AMD True Audio functions.

```
Return codes are valid AMD Media Framework (AMF) codes:
errors are positive, OK is zero.
So error check should take the form:
if(status != AMF OK) {
     //handle error ...
**************************************
enum AMF RESULT
   AMF_OK
                         = 0,
   AMF_FAIL
// common errors
   AMF UNEXPECTED
   AMF_ACCESS_DENIED
   AMF INVALID ARG
   AMF_OUT_OF_RANGE
   AMF OUT OF MEMORY
   AMF_INVALID_POINTER
   AMF NO INTERFACE
   AMF NOT IMPLEMENTED
   AMF NOT SUPPORTED
   AMF_NOT_FOUND
   AMF_ALREADY_INITIALIZED
   AMF_NOT_INITIALIZED
   AMF_INVALID_FORMAT
                            ,// invalid data format
   AMF WRONG STATE
                            ,// cannot open file
   AMF_FILE_NOT_OPEN
// device common codes
   AMF_NO_DEVICE
// component common codes
   //result codes
   AMF EOF
   AMF REPEAT
                            ,//returned by AMFComponent::SubmitInput if input queue is full
   AMF INPUT FULL
```

2.1.2 Library initialization

This section describes True Audio Next library initialization functions. An instance of the AMDTrueAudio class may be initialized for GPU or for CPU. Once initialized, it cannot be re-initialized. If both GPU and CPU operations are required, two AMDTrueAudio class instances may be used, initialized for GPU and CPU respectively.

Note: the CPU mode refers to non-OpenCL code optimized for CPU. It may also be possible to select an OpenCL CPU context, and initialize the class using InitializeForGPU, but not all functions are guaranteed to work, as they may use OpenCL extensions not available in a CPU context.

```
/**********************************
TAN object creation functions:
        ************************************
// TAN objects creation functions.
extern "C"
  // Creates a True Audio Next context. After the Context is initialized, it can be passed to creation
  // functions for Convolution, Converter, FFT, and Math objects.
   TAN_SDK_LINK AMF_RESULT
                                 AMF_CDECL_CALL TANCreateContext(amf_uint64 version,
                                                    amf::TANContext** ppContext);
  // Create a TANConvolution object:
   TAN_SDK_LINK AMF_RESULT AMF_CDECL_CALL TANCreateConvolution(
                                                    amf::TANContext* pContext,
                                                    amf::TANConvolution** ppConvolution);
   // Create a TANConverter object:
   TAN_SDK_LINK AMF_RESULT
                                 AMF_CDECL_CALL TANCreateConverter(
                                                    amf::TANContext* pContext,
                                                    amf::TANConverter** ppConverter);
   //Create an TANFFT object:
   TAN SDK LINK AMF RESULT
                                 AMF CDECL CALL TANCreateFFT(
                                                    amf::TANContext* pContext,
                                                    amf::TANFFT** ppFFT);
   // Create a TANMath object:
   TAN SDK LINK AMF RESULT
                                 AMF CDECL CALL TANCreateMath(
                                                    amf::TANContext* pContext,
                                                    amf::TANMath** ppFFT);
   // Set folder to cache compiled OpenCL kernels:
   TAN_SDK_LINK AMF_RESULT AMF_CDECL_CALL TANSetCacheFolder(const wchar_t* path);
   TAN SDK LINK const wchar t* AMF CDECL CALL TANGetCacheFolder();
}
  // TANContext interface:
```

```
// TANContext may be initialized for OpenCL using either a cl_context, or one or two
// cl_command_queues.
// the general queue may be shared by application kernels, the convolution queue is meant to be
// dedicated for a convolution object.
// NOTE: If TANContext::InitOpenCL is not called, objects initialized with the context will
// use CPU processing only.
//----
class TANContext : virtual public AMFPropertyStorage
public:
    cl context pContext);
    cl command queue pGeneralQueue = nullptr,
                                      cl_command_queue pConvolutionQueue = nullptr);
    virtual cl_context AMF_STD_CALL GetOpenCLContext();
        virtual    cl_command_queue     AMF_STD_CALL GetOpenCLGeneralQueue();
         virtual     cl_command_queue     AMF_STD_CALL GetOpenCLConvQueue();
};
```

2.1.3 Basic stream processing functions

This section describes utility functions that may be useful in and digital audio signal processing application.

```
// TANConverter interface
//
// Provides conversion between normalized FLOAT and SHORT representations.
// Converts an array of floats int the range - 1.0 -> + 1.0
     to or from
//
     an array of shorts int the range - 32767 -> + 32767
//
//
//
                 interleave step size for inputBuffer.
//
     outputStep
                 interleave step size for outputBuffer.
//
//
     conversionGain = 1.0 gives standard - 1.0 -> + 1.0 to / from - 32768 -> + 32768
// NOTE: to interleave or deinterleave data : Use step = 1 for mono data, 2 for stereo, etc.
//-----
AMF_RESULT AMF_STD_CALL Convert(short* inputBuffer, amf_size inputStep,
                              amf size numOfSamplesToProcess,
                              float* outputBuffer, amf size outputStep,
                              float conversionGain);
AMF_RESULT AMF_STD_CALL
                       Convert(float* inputBuffer, amf_size inputStep,
                              amf size numOfSamplesToProcess,
                              short* outputBuffer, amf_size outputStep,
                              float conversionGain);
```

```
// Method for batch processing
AMF_RESULT AMF_STD_CALL Convert(short** inputBuffers, amf_size inputStep,
                                    amf size numOfSamplesToProcess,
                                    float** outputBuffers, amf size outputStep,
                                    float conversionGain,
                                    int channels);
                            Convert(float** inputBuffers, amf_size inputStep,
AMF_RESULT AMF_STD_CALL
                                    amf size numOfSamplesToProcess,
                                    short** outputBuffers, amf size outputStep,
                                    float conversionGain,
                                    int channels);
// methods for GPU memory buffers:
AMF RESULT AMF STD CALL
                            Convert(cl mem inputBuffer,
                                    amf size inputStep,
                                    amf size inputOffset,
                                    TAN_SAMPLE_TYPE inputType,
                                    cl mem outputBuffer,
                                    amf size outputStep,
                                    amf_size outputOffset,
                                    TAN_SAMPLE_TYPE outputType,
                                    amf size numOfSamplesToProcess,
                                    float conversionGain);
// Method for batch processing
AMF RESULT AMF STD CALL
                            Convert(
                                   cl mem* inputBuffers,
                                   amf size inputStep,
                                   amf_size* inputOffsets,
                                   TAN_SAMPLE_TYPE inputType,
                                   cl_mem* outputBuffers,
                                   amf size outputStep,
                                   amf_size* outputOffsets,
                                   TAN_SAMPLE_TYPE outputType,
                                   amf_size numOfSamplesToProcess,
                                   float conversionGain,
                                   int count);
// TANMath interface
//
// Provides mathematical utility functions.
//
// buffers are arrays of channels pointers to floats, each at least numOfSamplesToProcess long.
AMF_RESULT ComplexMultiplication(const float* const inputBuffers1[],
                                 const float* const inputBuffers2[],
                                 float *outputBuffers[],
                                 amf uint32 channels,
                                 amf size numOfSamplesToProcess);
AMF_RESULT ComplexDivision(const float* const inputBuffers1[],
                           const float* const inputBuffers2[],
                           float *outputBuffers[],
                           amf uint32 channels,
                           amf_size numOfSamplesToProcess);
```

```
// methods for GPU memory
AMF_RESULT ComplexMultiplication(const cl_mem inputBuffers1[],
                              const amf_size buffers10ffsetInSamples[],
                              const cl_mem inputBuffers2[],
                              const amf size buffers2OffsetInSamples[],
                                                  cl mem outputBuffers[],
                              const amf_size outputBuffersOffsetInSamples[],
                              amf uint32 channels,
                              amf size numOfSamplesToProcess);
AMF_RESULT ComplexDivision(const cl_mem inputBuffers1[],
                        const amf size buffers10ffsetInSamples[],
                        const cl mem inputBuffers2[],
                        const amf size buffers20ffsetInSamples[],
                                        cl mem outputBuffers[],
                         const amf size outputBuffersOffsetInSamples[],
                         amf uint32 channels,
                        amf size numOfSamplesToProcess);
//-----
// TANFFT interface
//-----
enum TAN_FFT_TRANSFORM_DIRECTION
   TAN FFT TRANSFORM DIRECTION FORWARD = 0,
   TAN FFT TRANSFORM DIRECTION BACKWARD = 1,
};
// FFT function.
// Note: input and output arrays consist of pairs (real, imag).
// Note: 'log2len' sets the length of the FFT's data, which is 2 ^ log2len * 2 (complex).
// Note: CPU implementation currently returns unscaled results for backward transformation
        (multiplyed by 2 ^ log2len).
// Note: Position and count functionality of TANAudioBuffer isn't supported.
// pBufferInput
                  pointer to channels input vectors of floats, (complex R, I pairs), to be converted
// pBufferOutput
                  pointer to channels output vectors of floats, (complex R, I pairs), result
AMF_RESULT AMF_STD_CALL
                         Transform(TAN_FFT_TRANSFORM_DIRECTION direction,
                                          amf uint32 log2len,
                                          amf_uint32 channels,
                                          float* pBufferInput[],
                                          float* pBufferOutput[]);
                         Transform(TAN FFT TRANSFORM DIRECTION direction,
AMF_RESULT AMF_STD_CALL
                                   amf uint32 log2len,
                                   amf uint32 channels,
                                   cl_mem pBufferInput[],
                                   cl_mem pBufferOutput[]);
```

2.1.4 Fast convolution

This section describes convolution methods of the AmdTrueAudioConvolution class.

Note: partioned FFT methods are most efficient for long convolution lengths and relatively small buffer sizes, but very small buffer sizes work better with time domain mode.

```
// Initialization function.
// Note: this method allocates internal buffers and initializes internal structures. Should
// only be called once.
AMF_RESULT
             AMF_STD_CALL Init(TAN_CONVOLUTION_METHOD convolutionMethod,
                                  amf uint32 responseLengthInSamples,
                                  amf uint32 bufferSizeInSamples,
                                  amf uint32 channels);
TANContext* AMF_STD_CALL
                            GetContext();
 // Time domain float data update responce functions.
 //
 // Note: kernel is time domain data, and if shorter or longer than length specified in
 // Init(), it will be truncated or zero padded to fit.
 // Note: buffer contains 'channels' arrays of impulse response data for each channel.
 // Note: there should be as many 'states' and 'flagMasks' as channels in the buffer (set in
 // Init() method).
AMF RESULT AMF STD CALL UpdateResponseTD(float* ppBuffer[],
                                         amf size numOfSamplesToProcess,
                                         const amf uint32 flagMasks[],
                                         const amf uint32 operationFlags);
AMF_RESULT AMF_STD_CALL UpdateResponseTD(cl_mem ppBuffer[],
                                         amf size numOfSamplesToProcess,
                                         const amf uint32 flagMasks[],
                                         const amf uint32 operationFlags);
 // Frequency domain float data update responce functions.
 //
 // Note: kernel is frequency domain complex float data, must be 2 * length specified in
 // Init().
 // Note: buffer contains 'channels' arrays of impulse response data for each channel.
 // Note: there should be as many 'flags' as channels in the buffer (set in Init() method).
 // Note: not currently implemented.
 AMF RESULT AMF STD CALL
                            UpdateResponseFD(float* ppBuffer[],
     amf_size numOfSamplesToProcess,
     const amf_uint32 flagMasks[],
                                   // Masks of flags from enum TAN_CONVOLUTION_CHANNEL_FLAG.
     const amf_uint32 operationFlags // Mask of flags from enum TAN_CONVOLUTION_OPERATION_FLAG.
// Convolution process functions.
//
// ppBufferInput
                            - pointer to a channels long array of arrays of floats to be processed
                           - pointer to a channels long array of arrays of floats to take output
// ppBufferOutput
// numOfSamplesToProcess
                           - number of samples, from each array, of input samples to process
// pNumOfSamplesProcessed - number of samples, from each array, actually processed.
//
// On success:
// returns AMF OK and pNumOfSamplesProcessed will contain number of samples actually processed. This
// will be numOfSamplesToProcess, rounded down to next lower integral number of bufSize samples.
// On failure: returns appropriate AMF RESULT value.
// Process system memory buffers:
                            Process(float* ppBufferInput[],
AMF RESULT AMF STD CALL
                                    float* ppBufferOutput[],
                                    amf size numOfSamplesToProcess,
                                    const amf_uint32 flagMasks[],
                                    amf size *pNumOfSamplesProcessed //
                                    );
```

2.1.5 [future feature] Response curve generation

Most, though not all, audio processing can be implemented using a convolution of the audio stream data with a short data array or curve. Passing a single 1 value followed by a stream of zeros (an "impulse") through any convolution reproduces this curve or "impulse response". This also works in the physical world. For example one way to reproduce the reverberation of a natural cave or architectural space, is to fire a starter's pistol (the "impulse") in the space, and record the resulting sound. This recording becomes the "impuse response" for the space, and can be used to recreate the echo's and reverberations of that space for any sound stream by convolution.

Many traditional analog audio filter processes can also be done using an appropriate impuse response. This section describes AMD True Audio functions for generating impuse responses.

2.1.5.1 Impulse response generators for common audio filters.

This section describes functions and classes for generation of impulse responses which may be used to implement common audio filter functions with AmdTrueAudio::Convolution class.

```
class TANFilter : virtual public AMFPropertyStorageEx
   public:
       // {7A6E4BBD-03F4-4AAB-9824-ED6935327E92}
       AMF_DECLARE_IID(0x7a6e4bbd, 0x03f4, 0x4aab, 0x98, 0x24, 0xed, 0x69, 0x35, 0x32, 0x7e, 0x92)
                                  AMF STD CALL Init() = 0;
       virtual
                    AMF RESULT
       virtual AMF RESULT AMF STD CALL Terminate() = 0;
       virtual TANContext* AMF STD CALL
                                            GetContext() = 0;
       // Standard 10 band octave equalizer
       // center frequencies: 31,62,125,250,500,1000,2000,4000,8000,16000
       virtual AMF RESULT AMF STD CALL
                                           generate10BandEQ(amf uint32 log2len,
                                                             float sampleRate,
                                                             float *impulseResponse,
                                                             float dbLevels[10]) = 0;
    };
```

2.1.5.2 Simple room reverb stereo response generator.

This section describes functions that can be used to generate impulse responses that simulate the reverberations, stereo amplitude and phase information, for up to two mono sources and two listeners ("ears") on a simulated human head in a rectangular room. This library is used in the realtime sample **Room Acoustics Demo**.

```
class __declspec(dllexport) AmdTrueAudioVR
{
```

```
public:
   enum VRExecutionMode
       CPU,
       GPU
    };
private:
protected:
   AmdTrueAudioVR() { };
public:
   static const float S;
   static const int localX = 4;
    static const int localY = 4;
    static const int localZ = 4;
   static const int localSizeFill = 256;
   static const int HeadFilterSize = 64;
    //AmdTrueAudioVR(TANContextPtr pContext, TANFFTPtr pFft, cl_command_queue cmdQueue,
                    float samplesPerSecond, int convolutionLength);
   virtual ~AmdTrueAudioVR() { };
    static bool useIntrinsics;
   virtual void generateRoomResponse(RoomDefinition room, MonoSource source, StereoListener ear,
       int inSampRate, int responseLength, void *responseL, void *responseR,
       int flags = 0, int maxBounces = 0) = 0;
   virtual void generateDirectResponse(RoomDefinition room, MonoSource source, StereoListener ear,
       int inSampRate, int responseLength, void *responseL, void *responseR, int *pFirstNonZero, int
*pLastNonZero) = 0;
#ifdef DOORWAY TRANSFORM
    virtual void generateDoorwayResponse(RoomDefinition room1, RoomDefinition room2,
       MonoSource source, Door door, StereoListener ear, int inSampRate, int responseLength, float
*responseLeft, float *responseRight, int flags, int maxBounces) = 0;
#endif
   virtual void SetExecutionMode(VRExecutionMode executionMode) = 0;
   //{
   //
         m_executionMode = executionMode;
   //}
   virtual VRExecutionMode GetExecutionMode() = 0;
   //{
   //
         return m executionMode;
   //}
    /*void SetLogFile(char* pflogname, FILE* pFile)
       m pfNmae = pflogname;
       m_fpLog = pFile;
    }*/
    /***********************************
   AmdTrueAudio::generateSimpleHeadRelatedTransform:
```

```
Generates a simple head related transfer function (HRTF) for acoustic shadowing as heard by
   a human ear on a human head, as a function of angle to a sound source.
   This function models the head as a sphere of diameter earSpacing * 1.10, and generates a table of
   180 impulse response curves for 1 degree increments from the direction the ear points.
   virtual void generateSimpleHeadRelatedTransform(HeadModel * pHead, float earSpacing) = 0;
   virtual void applyHRTF(HeadModel * pHead, float scale, float *response, int length, float earVX,
float earVY, float earVZ, float srcVX, float srcVY, float srcZ) = 0;
   virtual void applyHRTFoptCPU(HeadModel * pHead, float scale, float *response, int length, float
earVX, float earVY, float earVZ, float srcVX, float srcVY, float srcZ) = 0;
};
// TAN objects creation functions.
extern "C"
    pContext, TANFFTPtr pFft, cl command queue cmdQueue,
                                                       float samplesPerSecond, int
convolutionLength);
    declspec(dllexport) float estimateReverbTime(RoomDefinition room, float finaldB, int
*nReflections);
}
```

3 Sample code

Sample application code to demonstrate TrueAudio APIs, and showcase GPU audio processing performance.

3.1 Room Acoustics Demo

Simple room acoustics simulation that uses "simple room reverb stereo response generator" to simulate N sources and a stereo listener in a room with parameters to set room dimensions and wall absorptions. The sources can be moved and the listener moved and rotated, interactively.

3.2 Oculus Room TAN

Demonstrates simple room reverb and directional sound with several sound sources integrated with Oculus Room Tiny sample for Oculus DK 2 HMD.

3.3 [future feature] VST plugins

A VST reverb plugin using GPU accelerated Fast Convolution. Can import reverb responses generated using **Room Acoustics Demo**.

A VST N-band equalizer plugin.

A VST noise reduction plugin.

more ...

3.4 [future feature] Wwise plugins

A Wwise plugin that demonstrates functionality of **Room Acoustics Demo** in a game. Details TBD.