Signal Processing Libraries for Faust

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Abstract

Signal-processing tools written in the FAUST language are described. Developments in FAUST libraries, oscillator.lib, filter.lib, and effect.lib since LAC-2008 are summarized. A good collection of sinusoidal oscillators is included, as well as a large variety of digital filter structures, including means for specifying digital filters using analog coefficients (on the other side of a bilinear transform). Facilities for filter-bank design are described, including optional delay equalization for phase alignment in the filter-bank sum.

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1 Introduction

The Faust (Functional AUdio STream) language, developed at GRAME¹ [1; 2], is well known for its compact specification of signal-processing block diagrams, and its compilation into efficient C++ audio applications and plugins. Thanks to the use of architecture files that encapsulate platform-specific details, Faust applications can be conveniently generated for a wide variety of host environments (Linux, Mac, Windows), and audio plugins can be generated for a wide variety of host applications such as Pd and SuperCollider, to name just two [3; 4; 5].

In the architecture subdirectory within the FAUST distribution, there are presently seven .lib files containing various utility functions. Possibly the most commonly used of these is music.lib, which also imports math.lib. Three other .lib files pertain more specifically to signal processing utilities:

- oscillator.lib signal sources
- filter.lib general-purpose digital filters
- effect.lib digital audio effects

The remaining two FAUST library files are maxmsp.lib—a Max/MSP compatibility library, and reduce.lib—enabling function application across a signal in time, such as maxn(n) = reduce(max,n) to compute the maximum amplitude of a signal.

The directory examples/faust-stk/ additionally contains instrument.lib, providing common utility functions for the FAUST-STK collection [6], such as envelope generators and table-lookup utilities.

The libraries oscillator|filter|effect.lib were first discussed at LAC-08 [7]. This paper provides an overview of developments since then and up to FAUST release version 0.9.46 (Dec. 2011).

2 Faust Library oscillator.lib

The purpose of oscillator.lib is to provide reference implementations of various elementary waveform generators, such as sinusoidal, sawtooth, and pulse-train, as well as other classic signals such as pink-noise, etc.

2.1 Sinusoid Generators

All sinusoidal oscillators in oscillator.lib are invoked via the same API as osc(freq) (defined in music.lib), where freq is the desired oscillation frequency in Hz. However, some provide two outputs instead of one when both "in-phase" and "quadrature" (sine and cosine) are available. All are filter-based. That is, they are implemented as lossless second-order filters driven by an impulse signal [1,0,0,...], and they use no wave

¹http://faust.grame.fr/

tables.² All algorithms have been previously published [8; 9; 10; 11].³

Presently, the following algorithms are implemented:

oscb	"biquad" two-pole filter section
	(impulse response)
oscr	2D vector rotation
	(second-order normalized ladder)
	provides sine and cosine outputs
oscrs	sine output of oscr
oscrc	cosine output of oscr
oscs	state variable osc., cosine output
	(modified coupled form resonator)
oscw	digital waveguide oscillator
oscws	sine output of oscw
oscwc	cosine output of oscw

The relative merits of each oscillator type are summarized below. Note that all differences have to do with finite numerical precision effects and dynamic range variations under time-varying conditions. The best overall choice depends on the situation.

- oscb, the impulsed direct-form biquad⁴ is the fastest computationally, requiring only one multiplication and two additions per sample of output. However, as is well known, the amplitude of oscillation varies strongly with frequency, and it becomes numerically poor toward freq=0 ("dc").
- oscr, the "2D vector rotation," requires four multiplies and two additions per sample. Its amplitude is invariant with respect to frequency, and it is good all the way down to dc. Since its coefficients are numerically inexact roundings of s = sin(2*PI*freq/SR) and c = cos(2*PI*freq/SR), where SR denotes the sampling rate (defined in music.lib), there is long-term amplitude drift corresponding to the extent the identity s²+c² = 1 is violated. This oscillator provides in-phase (cosine) and phase-quadrature (sine) outputs.

- oscs, based on the classic "state variable filter," [12, p. 530] and known as the "magic circle algorithm" in computer graphics, is quite fast, requiring only two multiplies and two additions per output sample. Its amplitude varies much less with frequency, and it too is good down to dc. There is no amplitude drift over time, so this one can be used for very long signal durations. On the other hand, there is some dependence of oscillation amplitude on frequency. At low frequencies, its two state variables are nearly in phase quadrature, but they become in-phase at SR/2. Thus, two outputs with approximately 90-degrees relative phase at low frequencies could be brought out. The output that is brought out is the "cosine" choice.
- oscw, the second-order digital waveguide oscillator, requires one multiply and three additions when frequency is constant, and another multiply when frequency is changing. Otherwise it has all of the good properties of oscr (except for internal dynamic range normalization), providing sine and cosine outputs in exact phase quadrature, and no dependence of amplitude on frequency. However, unlike oscr, oscw exhibits no amplitude drift while frequency is fixed. This is because it uses a "structurally lossless" algorithm derived by transformer coupling of normalized digital waveguides [10; 8].⁵ A negative point relative to oscr is that numerical difficulties may arise below 10 Hz or so, implying that oscw is not a good choice for LFOs. Internally, the state variables of oscw require a larger dynamic range than those of oscr. It is likely that oscw would be the most economical choice for special-purpose VLSI.

2.2 Virtual Analog Waveforms

The following waveform generators are presently included, among others:

imptrain(freq)	periodic impulse train
squarewave(freq)	zero-mean square wave
sawtooth(freq)	alias-suppressed sawtooth
sawN(freq)	order N anti-aliased saw

⁵https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/pasp/-Digital_Waveguide_Oscillator.html

 $^{^2}$ osc(freq) in music.lib uses a length 2^{16} wave table. The linearly interpolated variant osci(freq) adds linear interpolation.

³https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/pasp/-Digital_Waveguide_Oscillator.html

⁴https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/filters/-Direct.Form_II.html

The sawtooth and sawN algorithms are based on recently developed "Differentiated Polynomial Waveform" (DPW) methods for virtual analog waveform generation [13; 14]. The default case is sawtooth = saw2, where saw2 is a differentiated parabolic waveform (order 2). More generally, sawN is based on a differentiated polynomial of order N. The higher the order, the less aliasing is incurred. Bandlimited square, triangle, and pulse-train are derived as linear filterings of bandlimited sawtooth in FAUST releases beyond 0.9.46.

2.3 Noise Generation

The basic white-noise generator, uniformly distributed between -1 and 1, is noise, defined in music.lib. Based on that, oscillator.lib also defines pink_noise, also called "1/f noise" [15], implemented (approximately) as white noise through a three-pole, three-zero IIR filter that approximates a 1/f power response. The third-order IIR filter was designed using invfreqz in Octave (matlab).

3 Faust Library filter.lib

Filter-related utilities provided are filter.lib. The principal functions defined appear in Fig. 1, p. 4, and Fig. 2, p. 5. To save space, functions introduced at LAC-08 [7] are not repeated here (such as EKS string synthesizer elements, comb filters, cubic distortion overdrive, dc blockers, speaker bandpass, Crybaby wah pedal, etc.). The subsections below provide further discussion of various groups. The source is documented with comments and references so that anyone knowledgeable in basic digital filter theory [16] should be able to use it as a (terse) manual and starting point for further reading.

3.1 Direct-Form Digital Filters

The four direct-form digital filter structures have coefficients that appear in the filter transfer function.⁷ The functions tf1(b0,b1,a1) and tf2(b0,b1,b2,a1,a2) specify first- and second-order (biquad) digital filter sections, respectively. Often larger filters are built by stringing first-

and second-order sections in series and/or parallel. The FAUST language makes this especially easy to do.

The function iir(bcoeffs,acoeffs) allows specification of an arbitrary-order IIR digital filter in direct form. The arguments bcoeffs and acoeffs are each parallel signal banks that provide the coefficients, and they may be thought of as "lists" of coefficients. The pattern matching facility in FAUST allows recursive definition in terms of such lists. As an example, tf2(b0,b1,b2,a1,a2) can be alternatively specified as iir((b0,b1,b2),(a1,a2)). As usual in FAUST, the specification is compact:

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iir(bv,av) = sub ~ fir(av) : fir(bv);
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where fir(bv) specifies a general causal FIR digital filter, with bv the list ("vector") of FIR "tap" coefficients. It is given by

where count and take are defined in math.lib.

3.2 Ladder and Lattice Digital Filters

Ladder and lattice digital filters have superior numerical properties. Using the pattern-matching facility, it was possible to specify all four major types recursively in FAUST. A particularly valuable case is the normalized ladder filter [17] iir_nl(bcoeffs,acoeffs), used as the basis for the super-robust biquad tf2snp(). While normalized biquads are straightforward to design (e.g., nlf2() in filter.lib), the normalized ladder filter realizes rational transfer functions of any order (any number of poles and zeros) in terms of a power-normalized ladder structure. For an introduction and pointers to references, see [8] and filter.lib.8

3.3 Digital Filter Sections Specified as Analog Filter Sections

It is convenient to be able to specify basic filter section in terms of *analog* filter coefficients, as opposed to the usual digital-filter coefficients. This is easy to do in FAUST by including a built-in *bilinear transform*. 9 This makes use of the wonderful

⁶https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/sasp/-Example_Pink_Noise_Analysis.html

⁷https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/filters/filters/Four_Direct_Forms.html

⁸https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/pasp/-Conventional Ladder Filters.html

⁹https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/pasp/-Bilinear.Transformation.html

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(§3.1, p. 3)
 Direct-Form Digital Filters
                 fir(bcoeffs)
                                 general FIR digital filter
        iir(bcoeffs,acoeffs)
                                 general IIR digital filter
                tf1(b0,b1,a1)
                                 first-order direct-form digital filter = iir((b0,b1),(a1))
                                 iir((b0,b1,b2),(a1,a2))
         tf2(b0,b1,b2,a1,a2)
      Lattice/Ladder Filters
                                 (\S 3.2, p. 3)
                                 two-multiply lattice digital filter
  iir_lat2(bcoeffs,acoeffs)
    iir_kl(bcoeffs,acoeffs)
                                 Kelly-Lochbaum ladder digital filter
  iir_lat1(bcoeffs,acoeffs)
                                 one-multiply lattice digital filter
                                 normalized ladder digital filter
    iir_nl(bcoeffs,acoeffs)
                                 biquad based on stabilized 2nd-order normalized ladder
      tf2np(b0,b1,b2,a1,a2)
                                 second-order normalized ladder digital filter, special API
                    nlf2(f,r)
    Analog-Specified Filters
                                 (\S 3.3, p. 3)
    tf2s(b2,b1,b0,a1,a0,w1)
                                 tf2 specified via s-plane (analog) coefficients
  tf2snp(b2,b1,b0,a1,a0,w1)
                                 tf2s using a protected normalized ladder filter for tf2
                                 tf2s plus a mapping to bandpass in the digital domain
tf2sb(b2,b1,b0,a1,a0,w1,wc)
                                 same as tf2sb but for first-order filter sections
      tf1sb(b1,b0,a0,w1,wc)
  IIR Low/High/Band-Pass
                                 (\S 3.4, p. 6)
                lowpass(N,fc)
                                 Nth-order Butterworth lowpass, −3 dB frequency at fc Hz
              highpass(N,fc)
                                 Nth-order Butterworth highpass, −3 dB frequency at fc Hz
                                 Order 2*Nh Butterworth bandpass, -3 dB frequencies fl,fu Hz
          bandpass(Nh,fl,fu)
          bandstop(Nh,fl,fu)
                                 Order 2*Nh Butterworth bandstop filter, −3 dB gain at fl,fu Hz
                lowpass3e(fc)
                                 3rd-order elliptic lowpass, 60 dB stopband rejection, 0.2 dB passband rip.
                                 6th-order elliptic lowpass, 80 dB stopband rejection, 0.2 dB passband rip.
                lowpass6e(fc)
              highpass6e(fc)
                                 highpass transformation of lowpass6e (\omega \leftarrow 1/\omega)
          bandpass12e(fl,fu)
                                 bandpass transformation of lowpass6e
                                 bandpass transformation of lowpass3e
           bandpass6e(fl,fu)
                                 See FAUST example parametric_eq.dsp
  Shelfs, Peaking Equalizers
         low_shelf1(L0,fx,x)
                                 1st-order shelf, dc gain L0 dB, crossover to unity gain at fx Hz
       low_shelf1_l(G0,fx,x)
                                 dc gain GO (linear), crossover to unity gain at fx Hz
                                 3rd-order low shelf
         low_shelf3(L0,fx,x)
         low_shelf5(L0,fx,x)
                                 5th-order low shelf
                                 = low_shelf3; // default = third-order case
                     low_shelf
                                 same high-shelf cases as for low_shelf
                        high_*
           peak_eq(Lfx,fx,B)
                                 2nd-order "peaking equalizer", peak level Lfx dB, width B Hz at fx Hz
        peak_eq_cq(Lfx,fx,Q)
                                 Constant-Q 2nd-order peaking equalizer section, Q = fx/B
        peak_eq_rm(Lfx,fx,w)
                                 Regalia-Mitra 2nd-order peaking equalizer section, w ~ PI*B/SR
      Fractional Delay Lines
                                 (\S 3.6, p. 6)
   fdelayN(maxdelay, delay)
                                 Nth-order FIR Lagrange-interpolated delay line, N=1,2,3,4
                                 Nth-order IIR allpass-interpolated delay line, N=1,2,3,4
  fdelayNa(maxdelay, delay)
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Figure 1: Functions defined in filter.lib since LAC-08. See the source code for full usage documentation and literature references.

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(§3.7, p. 6)
                       Filter Banks
  mth_octave_analyzer(0,M,ftop,N)
                                       N-band octave filter-bank, M band-slices per octave,
                                       Butterworth band-split order O (not O, must be an odd integer),
                                       \mathbb{N} = \text{total number of bands (including dc and Nyquist)},
                                       ftop = highest band-split crossover frequency (e.g., 20 kHz)
  mth_octave_analyzer6e(M,ftop,N)
                                       uses order 6 elliptic band-split filters
mth_octave_filterbank(0,M,ftop,N)
                                       mth_octave_analyzer followed by delay equalizer
         mth_octave_filterbank_alt
                                       dc-inverted variant (cheaper for odd 0)
         mth_octave_spectral_level
                                       spectrum analyzer using mth_octave_analyzer(5), displays
                                       (in bar graphs) the average signal level in each spectral band
       mth_octave_spectral_level6e
                                       order 6 elliptic crossovers
                     spectral_level
                                       = mth_octave_spectral_level(2,10000,20); // simplest
           half_octave_analyzer(N)
                                       = mth_octave_analyzer6e(2,10000,N);
                                       = mth_octave_filterbank5(2,10000,N);
         half_octave_filterbank(N)
              octave_filterbank(N)
                                       = mth_octave_filterbank5(1,10000,N);
                                       = mth_octave_analyzer6e(1,10000,N);
                octave_analyzer(N)
                                       general analyzer, order O Butterworth crossovers at listed freqs
                analyzer(0,lfreqs)
              filterbank(0,lfreqs)
                                       analyzer(0,1freqs) : delay equalizer (allpass-complementary)
             filterbanki(0,lfreqs)
                                       Inverted-dc variant
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Figure 2: Filter-bank functions defined in filter.lib. See the source code for full usage documentation and literature references.

feature of FAUST that if the coefficients are constant, all expressions will compile away to leave numerical digital-filter coefficients. On the other hand, if a slider-control, say, is providing an analog coefficient, the bilinear transform will be computed in real time (at the control rate) from the controller by the compiled result. Normally a one-pole smoother such as <code>smooth(0.99)</code> is used to interface the final computed coefficient into the filtering computation at the full sampling rate.

In particular, tf2s(b2a,b1a,b0a,a1a,a0a,w1) equals tf2(b0d,b1d,b2d,a1d,a2d) specified in the analog domain, where a last-letter 'a' means 'analog', and 'd' means 'digital'. (Note the opposite numbering of the coefficients, in conformance with typical notation.) Thus, the analog transfer function specified is

$$H(s) = \frac{b_{2,a} s^2 + b_{1,a} s + b_{0,a}}{s^2 + a_{1,a} s + a_{0,a}}.$$

The parameter w1 is the digital frequency ω_d to which analog frequency $\omega_a = 1$ is mapped; it determines the frequency-scaling parameter of the bilinear transform. In lowpass or highpass filter design, the frequency mapping is applied to the cutoff frequency (-3 dB point).

Butterworth filters are particularly easy to specify in analog form [18; 19; 16], 10 because, for order N, all N zeros are at infinity and all N poles lie along a circle in the left-half s-plane. For example, the second-order Butterworth low-pass filter with its -3 dB frequency normalized to $\omega_a = 1$ is simply

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + \sqrt{2}\,s + 1}$$

and can be specified as tf2s(0,0,1,sqrt(2),1).

3.3.1 Normalization and Stability Protection

For extreme time-varying filtering applications, a practically useful variant named tf2snp is provided that implements tf2s using a normalized ladder filter (for decoupling signal and coefficient energy, §3.2) together with stability projection (easy to do in ladder/lattice digital filters by simply clipping their reflection coefficients to the range (-1,1)). This is used in the most numerically robust Moog VCF implementation $moog_vcf_2bn$ (effect.lib, §4).

¹⁰https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/filters/-Butterworth_Lowpass_Design.html

The example vcf_wah_pedals.dsp in the FAUST distribution provides a comparison of three Moog VCF implementations as well as the second-order Crybaby wah-pedal and a fourth-order wah-pedal based on the Moog VCF.

3.3.2 Bandpass Mapped Biquad

The function tf2sb(b2,b1,b0,a1,a0,w1,wc) is a bandpass mapping of the basic analog-specified biquad tf2s. In addition to the frequency-scaling parameter w1 (which gets set to half the desired passband width in radians per second), there is a desired center-frequency parameter wc (also in rad/s). Thus, tf2sb implements a fourth-order digital bandpass filter section specified by the coefficients of a second-order analog lowpass prototype section. Such sections can be combined in series for higher orders. The order of mappings is (1) frequency scaling (to set lowpass cutoff w1), (2) bandpass mapping to wc, then (3) the bilinear transform, with the usual scale parameter 2*SR, where SR denotes the sampling rate. The FAUST implementation for this was based on algebra carried out in maxima.

3.4 Butterworth Lo/Hi/Bandpass Filters

Butterworth lowpass and highpass filters of any order can be defined recursively in FAUST thanks again to the pattern-matching facility in the language. The elliptic (Cauer) filters¹¹ are special-cased because the pole locations are computed using the elliptic rational function, which is not available in typical computer math libraries. Such a function could of course be supplied as a foreign function in FAUST.

3.5 Shelf and Equalizer Sections

The low/high shelf and peaking equalizer sections implemented in filter.lib are described further in filter.lib and in [16].¹²

3.6 Lagrange/Thiran-Interpolated Fractional Delay Lines

Delay lines interpolated using higher-order FIR Lagrange interpolation are all used as follows:

fdelayN(maxdelay, delay, inputsignal)

where N=1,2,3, or 4 is the order of the Lagrange interpolation polynomial. Note that this API follows that of fdelay in music.lib. The requested delay should not be less than (N-1)/2 because the interpolating polynomial needs to be able to "reach" that far into the "past" when interpolating.

Delay lines interpolated using higher-order IIR allpass Thiran interpolation are all invoked as

fdelayNa(maxdelay, delay, inputsignal)

where N=1,2,3, or 4 is the order of the allpass interpolation filter. In this case, it is recommended that the requested delay be at least N-1/2 because an Nth-order allpass provides a delay of N samples as its coefficients approach zero. Note that delay arguments that are too small can produce an unstable allpass filter. For rapid delay modulations, Lagrange (FIR) interpolation is generally preferred. However, allpass interpolation introduces no gain distortion and may therefore be preferred in nearly lossless feedback loops.

3.7 Filter Banks

A filter bank splits its input signal into a bank of parallel signals, one for each spectral band. If the bandpass filters used to create the channel signals are carefully designed, one may sum the channel signals to get back the original input signal (possibly scaled and/or delayed). In this case, the filter bank is said to be a Perfect Reconstruction (PR) filter bank [20]. However, for purposes of spectrum analysis, in which only the channel signal powers are displayed, the PR condition is overkill. Therefore, the filter banks implemented in filter.lib are divided into "analyzers", which do not have the PR property, and "filter banks" which are "allpass complementary". Allpass-complementary filter banks are reasonable choices for "graphic equalizer" applications. An allpass-complementary filter bank is PR when the allpass reduces to a pure delay and possible scaling. In this terminology, the filter banks in filter.lib are implemented as analyzers in cascade with delay equalizers that convert the analyzer to an allpass-complementary filter bank. Spectrum analyzer outputs should at least be nearly "power complementary", i.e., the power spectra of the individual bands should at least approximately sum to the original power spectrum.

¹¹http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elliptic_filter
12https: //ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/filters/Low.High_Shelf_Filters.html

The typical filter bank or analyzer is constructed as a *dyadic filter bank*, meaning that it consists of a sequence of band-splits, forming a binary tree of lowpass/highpass filter sections. Since audio applications are presumed, only the lower band is split when going from one stage to the next.

In the FAUST distribution, both filter banks and spectrum analyzers are illustrated in the example graphic_eq.dsp. See also spectral_level.dsp which is a standalone spectrum analyzer (nice as a standalone JACK app).

The example gate_compressor.dsp included with the FAUST distribution exercises the gate and compression utilities.

Space limitations preclude further discussion here. Please see comments in filter.lib for further usage details.

4 Faust Library effect.lib

The modules in effect.lib classify as "digital audio effects". In general, they tend to be special-purpose *filters*, frequently nonlinear and/or time varying.

4.1 Moog Voltage Controlled Filters

New since the analog-form Moog VCF [7] is the implementation moog_vcf_2b of the ideal Moog VCF transfer function factored into second-order sections. As a result, its static frequency response is more accurate than moog_vcf which suffers from an unwanted one-sample delay in its feedback path. On the downside, its coefficient formulas are more complex when one or both parameters are varied. The res parameter of moog_vcf_2b[n] is the fourth root of that in moog_vcf, so, as the sampling rate approaches infinity, moog_vcf(res,fr) becomes equivalent to moog_vcf_2b[n](res^4,fr) (when res and fr are constant).

4.2 Artificial Reverberation

The reverberation modules in effect.lib are described in [8]. Of special note is the high-quality reverberator called zita_rev1, ported to FAUST from the C++ source of zita-rev1 written by Fons Adriaensen.¹³ It combines Schroeder allpass and FDN reverberation techniques [8].¹⁴

5 Conclusion

Developments since LAC-08 for FAUST libraries oscillator|filter|effect.lib were outlined. The overall goal is to accumulate reference implementations of commonly used algorithms in music/audio signal processing, with a general preference for expressive parametric algorithms yielding the highest performed sound quality per unit of computation.

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 $^{^{14}}$ https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/pasp/Zita_Rev1.html

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Moog VCF
                                           See FAUST example vcf_wah_pedals.dsp
                       moog_vcf(res,fr)
                                           analog-form Moog VCF
                                           res = corner-resonance amount between 0 (none) and 1 (max)
                                           fr = corner-resonance frequency in Hz (less than SR/6.3 or so)
                                           Moog VCF implemented as two biquads (tf2)
                    moog_vcf_2b(res,fr)
                  moog_vcf_2bn(res,fr)
                                           two protected, normalized-ladder biquads (tf2np)
                 Phasing and Flanging
                                           See FAUST example phaser_flanger.dsp
                     vibrato2_mono(...)
                                           modulated allpass-chain (see effect.lib for usage)
                                           phasing based on 2nd-order allpasses (see effect.lib for usage)
                      phaser2_mono(...)
                   phaser2_stereo(...)
                                          stereo phaser based on 2nd-order allpass chains
                      flanger_mono(...)
                                           mono flanger
                   flanger_stereo(...)
                                           stereo flanger
   Envelopes/Compression/Expansion
                                           See FAUST example gate_compressor.dsp
              amp_follower_ud(att,rel)
                                           att = attack time-constant (sec) going up
                      amp_follower(rel)
                                           rel = release time = time-constant (sec) going down (att=0)
                         autowah(level)
                                           level 0 to 1
       gate_mono(thresh,att,hold,rel)
                                           squelch signal when below thresh (in dB),
                                           for at least hold seconds
gate_gain_mono(thresh,att,hold,rel,x)
                                           "gain computer"
gate_stereo(thresh,att,hold,rel,x,y)
                                           two mono gates using same gain computer
compressor_mono(ratio,thresh,att,rel)
                                           single-channel dynamic-range compression:
                                           ratio = compression ratio dB-in over dB-out above thresh
                                           thresh = dB level threshold above which compression kicks in
                compressor_stereo(...)
                                          stereo case, common gain computer
                                           = compressor_mono(4,-6,0.0008,0.5);
                   limiter_1176_R4_mono
                 limiter_1176_R4_stereo
                                          stereo case
               Artificial Reverberation
                                           See FAUST examples freeverb|reverb_designer|zita_rev1.dsp
                                           Historical early Schroeder reverberators
                           jcrev, satrev
                                           Feedback Delay Network (FDN) reverberator [8]
                           fdnrev0(...)
                                           utility for finding prime-power delays across a range
prime_power_delays(N,pathmin,pathmax)
                                           order 8 FDN used in zita-rev1 - see effect.lib for usage
 zita_rev_fdn(f1,f2,t60dc,t60m,fsmax)
                                           stereo version of zita-rev1 - see effect.lib for usage
                  zita_rev_stereo(...)
                    zita_rev1_ambi(...)
                                          zita-rev1 in ambisonics mode
                                          N by N square digital waveguide mesh
                         mesh_square(N)
                        Other Modules
                        stereo_width(w)
                                           stereo width effect based on the Blumlein Shuffler
                          apnl(a1,a2,x)
                                           nonlinear allpass filter used in Faust-STK [6]
      piano_dispersion_filter(M,B,f0)
                                           closed-form piano-string allpass by Rauhala et. al [21]
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Figure 3: Functions defined in effect.lib since LAC-08.

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