

Team



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Changelog

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to contain the major guidelines to follow while working on this project concerning the software to use, the formats and specifications for the files and the backup and versioning policies.

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Changelog

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Michael	09/11/2020	Revision before first update
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Luca	19/11/2020	Directory Structure, File naming convention
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1 Software list

Here is a comprehensive list of software to be used in this project, along with their version on which they should be used to reduce the possibility of compatibility issues.

Asset Editing Software

- RPGMaker MV 1.5.0
- Piskel 0.14.0
- Audacity 2.4.2

Development Software

- RPGMaker MV 1.5 (Prototype)
- Unity 2019.1.15f1 Long Term Support (Release)
- Notepad++ 7.9.1
- Git 2.29.2.windows.2

Organization Software

- Notepad++ 7.9.1
- MikTex 20.12
- Paint.net 4.2.14
- Microsoft Word 18.2008.12711.0
- Draw.io 13.9.9

Organization Software

• Windows 10 Pro 2004



2 Diagrams

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.drawio Save format for the draw.io software. It works as a source for diagrams, allowing for easy and quick edits when needed. Diagrams are then exported in the .png format

.png The image exported from draw.io files to be inserted in the documentation.

3 Text

.tex LaTeX file extension

4 Pictures

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.piskel Piskel project format that keeps all the editing information.

.pdn Paint.net format that keeps all the editing information.

.jpg and .png (documentation) tandard format for images with no constraints (for example for documentation pictures like characters' portrait, settings and so on...)

.drawio .png (game)

Exported image for game usage.

- All images have a 32 bits color depth.
- Background images: 1920*1080
- Tilesets: each tile is 64*64 pixels
- Iconset: each tile is 64*64 pixels.
- Faceset: each tile is 256*256. Each file must contain different facial expressions for the same character.
- Character set: each tile is 64*64 pixels. A character set must be 60 tiles wide and at most 4 tiles tall.
 - Each 60 horizontally consecutive tiles form a contiguous walking animation, with the 2nd one representing the idle state.
 - Each row represent an animation; non-rotating objects only have one row
 - Objects with an animation for each direction have 4 rows in the following order: right, up, left, down



5 Video

.mkv, .mp4

• Resolution: 1920*1080

• FPS: 60

• Audio Sample Rate: 48000 Hz

• Audio Channels: Stereo

6 Audio

.ogg Vorbis Audio File

• Audio Channels: Stereo

• Sample Rate: 44100 Hz

• Nominal Bitrate: 64 kbit/s

7 Game data

.rpgproject Main project file for RPG Maker MV software

.js For scripting purposes inside the RPG Maker MV software

.json For storing various asset information inside the RPG Maker MV software

8 Unity

.prefab Unity's Prefab system allows you to create, configure, and store a GameObject complete with all its components, property values, and child GameObjects as a reusable Asset.

.scene Scenes contain the environments and menus of your game.

.mat In Unity, you use materials and Unity shaders together to define the appearance of your scene

.asset A Unity asset is an item that you can use in your game or Project. An asset may come from a file created outside of Unity, such as a 3D model, an audio file, an image, or any of the other types of file that Unity supports. There are also some asset types that you can create within Unity, such as an Animator Controller, an Audio Mixer or a Render Texture.

.cs C# code



9 Data Storage and Access

The team works on the different project's versions through a public repository but with modification permission only for team members. The repository is on Git Hub at the link https://github.com/Sephirothbahamut/Accio-Niffler, owned by Michael Marchesan. Each role has specific privileges according to the following table:

Role	${ m Privilege}$
Game Design	${ m read/write/comment/upload}$
Level Design	${ m read/write/comment/upload}$
Programmer	${\rm read/write/comment/upload}$
Artist	${ m read/comment/upload}$
Composer	${ m read/comment/upload}$



10 Backup

The backup is managed through the Git Hub repository. Each team member has an always up-to-date local copy of the repo on their computer, with all the previous revisions offered by the version control software Git.

It's sufficient to roll back to a previous release if anything fails, plus a parallel copy of the repo on each member's pc (3 + 1 hosted on GitHub) makes the project data extremely resilient to faults of any kind.



11 Directory Structure

Documentation Contains all the files related to the game documentation, such as the Data Organization Document and the Level Design Document.

- **Data_Organization_Document** Contains LaTeX source for the Data Organization Document pdf.
- Export Contains the .pdf files exported from LaTeX.
- Level Design Document Contains LaTeX source for the Level Design Document pdf.
 - Game Design
 - Level Design
- **Pictures** Contains all the images used inside the documentation and their sources (.pdn, .drawio).
 - Characters
 - Circumplexes
 - Portraits
 - Relationship maps
 - Stat sheets
 - Gameplay
 - Items
 - Spells

- Maps
- Level
 - Flowcharts
 - FSM
 - Schemes
 - Script
 - World
- Locations
- Story

Asssets Contains all the assets created by the artists

- Audio Contains all audio files and possibly their modifiable sources.
 - Music
 - Sound effects
 - Speech
- **Textures** Contains all the textures and tilesets and possibly their modifiable sources.
 - Charsets
 - Facesets
 - Iconsets
 - Tilesets

Projects

- Unity Contains the main game projects
 - Assets
 - Audio (replicates the structure of root/Assets/Textures)
 - Prefabs
 - Scenes
 - Scripts
 - Textures (replicates the structure of root/Assets/Textures)
 - (Default and auto-generated Unity project structure and files)
- RPG Maker Contains prototypes
 - (Default and auto-generated RPG Maker project structure and files)



12 File Naming Convention

Generally, each file starts with capital letter; spaces are replaced by underscores. The filename represents its content in roughly two parts:

- The first part represents what is contained in the file or what it refers to (for example: Albus_Dumbledore represents an asset concerning the character Albus Dumbledore, Black_Lake_ represents an asset concerning the Black Lake setting and so on). It is composed by no more than 3 words, separated by underscores.
- The second part represents what type of content the file belongs to (for example: _texture,_sound, _map, _circumplex). It must be composed by only one word and it must be the final one of the filename: for this reason, abbreviations are allowed (for example: relationship map can be shortened to _relmap).

List of types to identify files in artistic assets:

- image A full, independant image (portarits, backgrounds, etcc).
- **music** Background music.
- **sound** A sound effect.
- _source The modifiable file format (For example a .pdn for images, a .mid/.midi for music etcc).
- **tile** An individual tile.
- <u>tileset</u> An image intended to be read in tiles (environment tilesets, icon sets, face sets, etcc).
- video
- voice Spoken dialogue or part of a dialogue.

List of types to identify files in documentation:

- _source The modifiable file format (For example a .pdn for images, a .mid/.midi for music etcc).
- diagram
- flowchart
- template
- circumplex
- portrait
- \bullet relmap
- map
- picture
- document



- logo
- sheet
- icon
- chart

Each diagram or flowchart must be paired with its source that generated it.

E.g.

- Albus circumplex.png represents the character circumplex of Albus Dumbledore.
- Myrtle Ghost portrait.png represents a portrait image of Myrtle in her ghostly form.
- Minerva_relmap.png represents the relationship map of Minerva McGonagall.
- Minerva_relmap_source.pdn the editable source for the previous file.

Exceptions

Documentation .tex source files mustn't end in _source. Except for the root file, all the other files must have the same name as the title of the section they contain. If a file is further split in other sub-files, all those they must be inside of a folder named the same as the parent file. All those files and folders still have the spaces replaced with underscores.

Final .pdf documentation files exported from the LaTeX source are named as follows: [Document Abbreviation] [Name of the team]

For example the abbreviation of the export of the Data Organization Document (DOD) will be **DOD AccioNiffler.pdf**