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# **Direct Python Audio/Video**

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## **WHAT IS DIRECT PYTHON AUDIO/VIDEO?**

Direct Python Audio/Video is a library wrapping certain functionalities of Pygame that aims to give users a very simple, no-nonsense, direct feeling experience with basic audio and video manipulation. This library features the ability to craft basic waveforms and play them, as well as manipulate pixels in an image using 24-bit hex color codes, using no more than a few calls from our library. We abstract away technical aspects of interfacing with audio and video devices such as the need to maintain an event loop, in favor of straightforward calls that feel intuitive and beginner friendly.

## INSTALLATION

This library may be installed by:

Cloning the repository:

```
>>> git clone https://github.com/The-krolik/dpav
```

Then navigating to the cloned dpav folder and running:

```
>>> pip install dpav
```

## AUDIO CLASS

The Audio class is intended to provide basic sound capabilities focused around playing a constant tone for a desired duration in seconds. It supports playing one sound at a time with a waveform: sin, square, noise, saw, or triangle.

**To get started, there are three basic steps to play a tone:**

1. Create an Audio class object
2. Call the `play_sound` method with a frequency and duration (in seconds)
3. Use the `wait_for_sound_end`. This maintains the process

Listing 1: Playing a sound

```
mySound = dpp.Audio()
frequency = 261
duration = 1

mySound.play_sound(frequency, duration)
mySound.wait_for_sound_end()
```

If using audio alongside the Window class or within a while loop, the `wait_for_sound_end` method is unnecessary.

Listing 2: Using the `play_sound` inside a while loop

```
mySound = dpp.Audio()
frequency = 261
duration = 1

while window.is_open():
    mySound.play_sound(frequency, duration)
```

The utility function `get_note_from_string` takes a music note, such as “C”, as a string and returns the frequency

Listing 3: Using the utility function: `get_note_from_string`

```
mySound = dpp.Audio()
frequency = dpp.get_note_from_string("C", 0)
duration = 1

mySound.play_sound(frequency, duration)
mySound.wait_for_sound_end()
```

## **VBUFFER CLASS**

The VBuffer class operates as a 2-dimensional array of hex color values. This is the main data structure used for visualization within the Window class.

### **4.1 Initialization**

Listing 1: VBuffer initialization with dimensions 1920x1080

```
vbuffer = dpp.VBuffer((1920,1080))
```

Listing 2: VBuffer initialization with numpy array

```
arr = np.zeros((1920,1080))  
vbuffer = dpp.VBuffer(arr)
```

Listing 3: VBuffer default initialization provides dimensions 800x600

```
vbuffer = dpp.VBuffer()
```

### **4.2 Modification**

Listing 4: Changing color of pixel to red at location: x=30, y=50

```
red = 0xFF0000  
vbuffer[30,50] = red
```

Listing 5: Changing row 30 to red

```
red = 0xFF0000  
vbuffer[30,:] = red
```

Listing 6: Fill vbuffer object with color red

```
red = 0xFF0000  
vbuffer.fill(red)
```

Listing 7: Clear vbuffer object with color red

```
vbuffer.clear()
```

## WINDOW CLASS

The Window class is an abstraction of the PyGame library's display and event handling. It is closely tied to the VBuffer class, using VBuffer objects as the primary data structure to hold the current image to display. An understanding of the VBuffer class may not be required for simple projects, such as those with static displays, but is recommended nonetheless, especially for more complicated use cases. Currently, only one window may be active at a time.

### 5.1 Initialization

Only one instance of the window class is needed throughout the lifetime of the program. Initialization of the object may be done in one of three ways, based upon the argument passed, or lack thereof. Passing a VBuffer object is the preferred method of initialization, however a 2-dimensional numpy array is also accepted, which will create the VBuffer for you. If neither are provided, the Window will create a default VBuffer with dimensions: (800,600).

Listing 1: VBuffer initialization

```
vbuffer = dpp.VBuffer((1920,1080))  
window = dpp.Window(vbuffer)
```

Listing 2: Numpy array initialization

```
vbuffer = numpy.zeros((1920,1080))  
window = dpp.Window(arr)
```

Listing 3: Default initialization

```
window = dpp.Window()
```

### 5.2 Opening the Window

1. Call open function
2. Construct while loop with is\_open function

```
window.open()  
while window.is_open():  
    ### your code here
```

The open function creates and opens the display. The is\_open call maintains and updates the status of all events, as well as the display, on every call. The loop structure is required, as the display will become inactive otherwise.



## 5.3 Scaling

The window may be scaled up or down in one of three ways:

1. Provide a scale value to Window on initialization
2. Call the `set_scale` function with the scale value
3. Directly modify the scale member

The default scale value is 1.0. Reducing this value will reduce the size of the display, increasing it will increase the size of the display.

This feature can be useful. Such as: creating a virtual canvas of dimensions (50,50). Scaling this up by a factor of 13 will provide display dimensions of (650,650), making it much easier to visualize any changes made.

### 5.3.1 Events

Capturing events are the way which users utilize registered mouse clicks and key presses. Users have two ways to interface with these events

## 5.4 Eventq List

The eventsq list will be most often used, as this structure is best for expressions that only need to register once per key press / mouse click. This list is updated on every iteration of the window loop, removing old events and adding new ones that have been registered. These events may be used by simply checking if a specific event is in the list.

Example of what may be held in the eventq after one iteration:

Listing 4: Held in the eventq after one iteration example:

```
["a", "l_shift"]
```

## 5.5 Events Dictionary

The events dictionary holds String:Boolean key:value pairs. The key indicates the event to check for, and value is a Boolean indicating if a key or the mouse is currently pressed. It is ideal for continuous expression calls while a key/mouse is held down. It is not recommended to utilize this interface unless incorporated with custom handling when only one expression call is required for an event trigger.

Listing 5: Constantly printing to standard out while left-shift is held down

```
while window.is_open():
    if window.events["l_shift"]:
        print("Left Shift is pressed DOWN!")
```

## 5.6 Mouse Position

Obtaining the current position of the mouse is done by calling the `get_mouse_pos` function. This will return a tuple of coordinates: (x , y). These coordinates are with respect to both the window, and the underlying VBuffer data structure.

Listing 6: Setting pixel at mouse location to red

```
if "mouse" in window.eventq:
    red = 0xFF0000
    pos = window.get_mouse_pos() #get mouse position
    window.vbuffer[pos[0], pos[1]] = red # set pixel at mouse (x,y) to red
    print(f"Color at {pos} changed to Red")
```

## SOURCE DOCUMENTATION

## 6.1 Audio

**class** dpav.audio.Audio

Bases: object

Handles Audio capabilities of Python Direct Platform.

**Functions:**

**Constructor:** \_\_init\_\_()

**Functions:**

**play\_sound(Hz, length)**

**If audio buffer is set:** play\_sound()

play\_sample(string\_name\_of\_wav\_file)

**Setters:** set\_audio\_buffer(numpyarray) set\_audio\_device(int) set\_waveform(waveform)

**Getters:** get\_bit\_number()->int get\_sample\_rate()->int get\_audio\_buffer() get\_audio\_device()->Returns  
int corresponding to audio device

**Misc:** list\_audio\_devices() wait\_for\_sound\_end()

**get\_audio\_buffer()**

Returns the audio buffer of the Audio class

**Description:** This will return none if the audio buffer has not been set by the set\_audio\_buffer method.

audioobject.get\_audio\_buffer()

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** numpy array

**Return type** self.\_audio\_buffer

**get\_audio\_device()** → int

Gets the current audio device number of the Audio Class

**Description:** Assuming audioobject.set\_audio\_device(2) is called, audioobject.get\_audio\_device() would  
return 2 [index of audio device in audioobject.list\_audio\_devices()]

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** self.\_audio\_device: int value

## Notes

Returns the integer value of the device not the device name

**get\_bit\_number()** → int

Gets the bit rate of the Audio class

**Description:** Bit rate currently locked to 16 bits

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** The bit rate of the Audio class - int value

**Return type** self.\_bit\_number

**get\_sample\_rate()** → int

Gets the sample rate of the Audio class.

**Description:** Sample rate is currently locked to 44100

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** The sample rate of the audioClass - int value

**Return type** self.\_sample\_rate

**list\_audio\_devices()** → None

Lists the output devices on your system and adds to list self.\_devices

**Description:** Run this function before using set\_audio\_device() to add devices to the list devices

audioobject.list\_audio\_devices() 0 Speakers (Realtek(R) Audio) 1 VGA248 (2-NVIDIA High Def Audio) 2 Speakers (HyperX Cloud II Wireless)

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**play\_sample(sample\_name: str)** → None

Plays sounds that are wav, ogg or mp3 files.

**Description:** audioobject.play\_sample(mypath.mp3) would play sounds from the file mypath.mp3

**Parameters** **sample\_name** – String path or name of sound

**Returns** None

**play\_sound(input\_frequency=0, input\_duration=0)** → None

Primary sound playing method of the audio class.

**Description:** Play sounds directly from this function Need to run set\_audio\_device() or will default to the default audio device You can use set\_waveform to change the type. play\_sound is somewhat overloaded to where if you have an audioBuffer set using set\_audio\_buffer, you can call play\_sound()

and it will play whatever that audio\_buffer is e.g. wav files Example in examples/custombuffer.py

play\_sound(440, 1) would play an A note for one second with the sin waveform set.

**Parameters**

- **input\_frequency** – int value - input frequency in Hz
- **input\_duration** – int value - duration in seconds

**Raises `TypeError`** – If `input_duration` not a number, or  $< 0$

**Returns** None

**`set_audio_buffer(ab)`**  $\rightarrow$  None

Sets the audio buffer of the Audio Class.

**Description:** The audio buffer needs to have two rows so that way stereo works as intended. You can set the audio buffer to wav file data by fetching numpy arrays using wav or scipy, however only 16 bit waves are supported. This process can be seen in `custom_buffer.py` w/ the utility function `sixteenWavtoRawData`

**Examples:** # 44100 = sample rate # 32767 is  $2^{(our\ bit\ depth - 1)}$  and is essentially the number of samples per time stamp # 260 and 290 are our tones in hz # Below generates a buffer 1 second long of sin wave data-identical to the method used in house data = `numpy.zeros((44100, 2), dtype=numpy.int16)` for s in `range(44100)`:

```
t = float(s) / 44100
data[s][0] = int(round(32767 * math.sin(2 * math.pi * 260 * t)))
data[s][1] = int(round(32767 * math.sin(2 * math.pi * 290 * t)))
```

```
audioobject.set_audio_buffer(data)
```

**Parameters `ab`** – numpy array of shape(samples, channels) e.g. `ab[44100][2]`

**Returns** None

**`set_audio_device(device: int)`**  $\rightarrow$  int

Sets the current audio device of the Audio class.

**Description:** This can only be set ONCE per instance. To change devices, del the current instance set the new device, and continue This needs to be run after `list_audio_device()` in order to see list of audio devices If not run the device will default to the current device being used by the machine

`audioobject.set_audio_device(2)` Based on example in `list_audio_devices()` this would change the device to Speakers (HyperX Cloud II Wireless)

**Parameters `device`** – int value - see all int values for each device by running `list_audio_devices()`

**Returns** None

**`set_waveform(wave)`**  $\rightarrow$  None

Sets the expression governing the wave form playing

**Description:** `play_audio` uses this in buffer generation

`audioobject.set_waveform(object.wave_table.sin)` This would change to the waveform sin contained in the `wave_table` class The wave functions need to take in a input frequency as well as a timestep parameter to solve for a particular frequency at a given time step. See `wave_table` for an example of this.

**Parameters `Wave`** – takes a mathematical expression function ‘pointer’ in the form of `f(inputfreq, timestep)`

**Returns** None

**`wait_for_sound_end()`**

Function call that is placed at the end of scripts without a pygame window instance so sounds play to their full duration without a

**Description:** Placed at the end of python files that do not have loops. Otherwise, sounds would be cut off prematurely.

**Example:** `play_sound(440, 10) wait_for_sound_end()` # This prevents the process from closing out before the sound ends.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

Notes:

**class** dpav.audio.wave\_table

Bases: object

This is a class holding waveforms for usage with the play\_sound method.

**There are 5 waveforms:** sin saw square noise triangle

## Example

waves = wave\_table() sinefunc = waves.sin

**noise**(input\_frequency, t)

Random white noise

**Description:** Warning: VERY LOUD

### Parameters

- **input\_frequency** – value in Hz at timestep t
- **t** – timestep

### Returns

**Return type** random.random() \* input\_frequency \* t

**saw**(input\_frequency, t)

Saw wave

### Parameters

- **input\_frequency** – value in Hz at timestep t
- **t** – timestep

### Returns

**Return type** t \* input\_frequency - math.floor(t \* input\_frequency)

**sin**(input\_frequency, t)

Sin wave form, default for library

### Parameters

- **input\_frequency** – value in Hz at timestep t
- **t** – timestep

### Returns

**Return type** math.sin(2 \* math.pi \* input\_frequency \* t)

**square**(input\_frequency, t)

Square wave form

### Parameters

- **input\_frequency** – value in Hz at timestep t
- **t** – timestep

**Returns****Return type** `round(math.sin(2 * math.pi * input_frequency * t))`**triangle**(*input\_frequency, t*)

Triangle wave, similar in sound to saw + sin together

**Parameters**

- **input\_frequency** – value in Hz at timestep *t*
- **t** – timestep

**Returns****Return type** `2 * abs((t * input_frequency) / 1 - math.floor(((t * input_frequency) / 1) + 0.5))`

## 6.2 VBuffer

**class** `dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer`(*arg1: tuple = (800, 600)*)Bases: `object`

Visual buffer for the Python Direct Platform

Holds a 2D array of hex color values. Each element represents a pixel, whose coordinates are its index. VBuffer can be loaded and displayed by the window class.

**Parameters** **arg1** (`{(int, int) | np.ndarray(int, int)}`) – Either array dimensions or a 2-dimensional numpy array of integers

If dimensions, will create zeroed-out 2D array of the selected dimensions. Defaults to 800x600.

If numpy array, will set buffer to the contents of that array.

**Constructor:**`__init__(self, arg1=(800, 600))` -> `None`**Overloads:**`__getitem__(self, idx)` -> `int` `__setitem__(self, idx, val)` -> `None` `__len__(self)` -> `int`**properties:****getter:** `dimensions(self)` -> `(int, int)`**setter:** `dimensions(self, val)` -> `None`**Setter:**`write_pixel(self, coords, val)` -> `None` `set_buffer(self, buf)` -> `None` `clear(self)` -> `None` `fill(self, color: int)` -> `None`**Getters:**`get_pixel(self, coords)` -> `int` `get_dimensions(self)` -> `(int, int)`**File I/O:**`save_buffer_to_file(self, filename)` -> `None` `load_buffer_from_file(self, filename)` -> `None`**Error Checking:**`_check_numpy_arr(self, arg1, arg_name, method_name)` -> `None` `_check_coord_type(self, coords, arg_name, method_name)` -> `None` `_check_coord_vals(self, x, y, method_name)` -> `None`**clear()** -> `None`

Set every pixel in buffer to 0 (hex value for black).

**property dimensions:** tuple

Return dimensions of buffer.

**fill**(*color: int*) → None

Set every pixel in the buffer to a given color.

**Parameters** *color* (Hex color code) –

**get\_dimensions**() → tuple

Return dimensions of visual buffer array.

**get\_pixel**(*coords: tuple*) → int

Return color value of chosen pixel.

**Parameters** *coords* (2-tuple or list containing first and second index of pixel) –

**load\_buffer\_from\_file**(*filename: str*) → None

Load binary file storing buffer contents, and write it to buffer.

**Parameters** *filename* (Path to a binary file containing numpy array data) –

**save\_buffer\_to\_file**(*filename: str*) → None

Save contents of buffer to a binary file.

**Parameters** *filename* (The path and name of the file to write to) –

**set\_buffer**(*buf: numpy.ndarray*) → None

Set the visual buffer to equal a provided 2D array of pixels.

**Parameters** *buf* (A 2-dimensional numpy array of integer color values) –

**write\_pixel**(*coords: tuple, val: int*) → None

Sets pixel at specified coordinates to specified color.

Sets pixel at coordinates *coords* in buffer to hex value *val*

**Parameters**

- **coords** (Pixel coordinates (an X and a Y)) –
- **val** (The hex value of the desired color to change the pixel with) –

:raises TypeError : val is not type(int): :raises ValueError : val is negative or greater than max color value (0xFFFFFFFF):

## 6.3 Window

**class** dpav.window.Window(*arg1: Optional[dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer] = None, scale: float = 1.0*)

Bases: object

Handles Window capabilities of Python Direct Platform Functions:

**Constructor:** `__init__()`

**Setters:** `set_scale(int/float)` `set_vbuffer(VBuffer/np.ndarray, optional:int)`

**Getters:** `get_mouse_pos()`

**Misc Methods:** `open()` `is_open()` `close()` `update()`

**Private Methods:** `_update_events(pygame.event)` `_build_events_dict()` `_write_to_screen()`



**Public**

**vbuffer**: active VBuffer object  
**scale**: number that scales up/down the size of the screen  
 (1.0 is unscaled)

**events**: dictionary of string:bool event pairs,

**example**: “l\_shift”: True – left shift is pressed down “l\_shift”: False – left shift is not pressed

**eventq**: list of active events that occurred since last update cycle

**example**: [‘l\_shift’, ‘mouse’, ‘a’, ‘q’]

**debug\_flag**: boolean flag if window object should output debug info to log  
**open\_flag**: boolean flag for if the window is active

**Private**

**\_keydict**: int:string PyGame event mapping. PyGame events identifiers are stored as ints. This attribute is used by the public events variable to map from PyGame’s integer:boolean pairs to our string:boolean pairs

**\_surfaces**: Two PyGame Surfaces for swapping to reflect vbuffer changes and enable in-place nparray modification

**\_screen**: PyGame.display object, used for viewing vbuffer attribute

**close()** → None

Closes the active instance of a pygame window

**Raises RuntimeError** – no active pygame window instances exists

**get\_mouse\_pos()** → (<class 'int'>, <class 'int'>)

Returns the current mouse location with respect to the pygame window instance

**Raises Runtime Error** – no active pygame window instances exists

**is\_open()** → bool

Updates events on every call, used to abstract out PyGame display calls and event loop

**Example**

**if window.is\_open():** # your code here

**Returns** boolean denoting if the window is currently open

**open()** → None

Creates and runs pygame window in a new thread

**set\_scale(scale: float)** → None

Sets the window scale

**set\_vbuffer(arg1: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer)** → None

Sets the vbuffer/nparray object to display on screen

**Parameters arg1** – VBuffer/np.ndarray

**Raises**

- **TypeError** – arg1 VBuffer/np.ndarray type check
- **TypeError** – scale int/float type check

**update()** → None

Pygame event abstraction, called at end of pygame loop. Optional function if `is_open()` is used

**Raises Runtime Error** – No active pygame window

## 6.4 Utility

The `utility.py` module defines a variety of utility functions to the `dpav` library.

This module adds utility functions for line and shape drawing, visual buffer transformations, image parsing, and note conversions.

### Examples

```
$ utility.draw_line(vb, (3, 3), (5, 5), 0x00FF00)
```

`dpav.utility.convert_wav_to_nparr(wavefile: str) → numpy.ndarray`

Takes a string filepath of a wav file and converts it to a numpy array.

`dpav.utility.draw_circle(vb: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer, center: list, r: float, color: int)`

Draws a circle onto a visual buffer of a specified color and radius around a given center point using Bresenham's algorithm.

`dpav.utility.draw_line(vb: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer, p0: list, p1: list, color: int)`

Draws a line of a given color on a visual buffer from `p0` to `p1` using Bresenham's algorithm.

`dpav.utility.draw_polygon(vb: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer, vertices: list, color: int)`

Draws lines of a given color connecting a list of given points in the order they are listed

`dpav.utility.draw_rectangle(vbuffer: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer, color: int, pt1: tuple[int, int], pt2: tuple[int, int])`

Draws a rectangle into a visual buffer.

#### Parameters

- **vbuffer** – A visual buffer to write a rectangle into.
- **color** – The color the rectangle should be.
- **pt1** – One corner of the rectangle.
- **pt2** – The opposite corner from `pt1` of the rectangle.

### Examples

```
utility.draw_rectangle(vb, 0xFFFFFFFF, (3, 3), (5, 5))
```

`dpav.utility.fill(vb: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer, color: int, vertices)`

Fills a polygon defined by a set of vertices with a color.

`dpav.utility.flip_horizontally(vb: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer) → dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer`

Takes a visual buffer, flips it horizontally about the center, and returns the new visual buffer.

`dpav.utility.flip_vertically(vb: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer) → dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer`

Takes a visual buffer, flips it vertically about the center, and returns the new visual buffer.

`dpav.utility.get_note_from_string(note: str, octave: int) → int`

Converts a string denoting a note and an octave into a frequency.

**Parameters note** – A musical note denoted with a capital letter and a sharp (#) or a flat (b).

**Returns** A frequency in hertz.

`dpav.utility.load_image(filepath: str) → numpy.ndarray`

Converts an image and returns a numpy array representation of that image in hex.

**Parameters** **filepath** – The filepath of the image to be loaded

**Returns** A numpy array filled with the hex color data of the image

`dpav.utility.point_in_polygon(x: int, y: int, vertices) → bool`

Uses the Even-Odd Rule to determine whether or not a given pixel is inside a given set of vertices.

**Parameters**

- **x** – The x coordinate of the pixel to be checked.
- **y** – The y coordinate of the pixel to be checked.

**Returns** True if the pixel is within the polygon, False otherwise.

`dpav.utility.replace_color(vb: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer, replaced_color: int, new_color: int)`

Replaces all pixels in a visual buffer of a chosen color with a new color.

`dpav.utility.rgb_to_hex(arr: numpy.ndarray) → numpy.ndarray`

Converts a numpy array with (r, g, b) values into a numpy array with hex color values.

`dpav.utility.translate(vb: dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer, x_translation: int, y_translation: int) → dpav.vbuffer.VBuffer`

Takes a visual buffer, translates every pixel in it by given values, and returns the new visual buffer