Caution!

This is no official format description.

The information is derived from input data of the device and may be not correct.

Wacom Inkling WPI file format description.

The pen input is divided layers and strokes. A stroke starts when the pen hits the paper and ends when the pen leaves the paper. A stroke consists of points with the following data

- 1. Pen x/y position
- 2. Pen pressure
- 3. Pen x/y tilt

The first 2059 Bytes are unknown data. It seams that they do not belong to the pen data and can be ignored.

After the first 2040 (((2059))) Bytes there are the pen data. They consist of different data blocks. A data block has the following format:

Block Descriptor 1 Byte Block Size 1 Byte

Block Data Blocksize -2 Bytes

The following block descriptors are known:

Stroke/Layer Descriptor
 Pen x/y Data
 Pen Pressure
 Pen Tilt
 101

5. Unknown6. Unknown197 Size 17194 Size 4

7. Unknown 199 Size 28, Size 24, Size 20

Block descriptions:

Layer descriptor (241):

241 3 Type

The following types are used:

00 End of Stroke01 Start of Stroke128 New Layer

Pen x/y Data (96)

97	6	X High	X Low	Y High	Y Low
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The resolution of the Y Position is the half of the X position.

The Value of the Y position is multiplied by 2 and then incremented by 5. This is done that the output values matches the values of the .WAC output file.

Pen pressure 96

10	00	6	not used	not used	P High	P Low
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The resolution of the Y Position is the half of the X position.

Pen tilt 101

101	6	Tilt X	Tilt Y	not used	not used

The file ist organized in the following way:

Start of Stroke

Pen x/y Data Pen Pressure Pen Tilt

End of Stroke

Start of Stroke

Pen x/y Data Pen Pressure Pen Tilt

End of Stroke New Layer

Start of Stroke

Pen x/y Data Pen Pressure Pen Tilt

End of Stroke

Class to read Wacom inkling WPI Files.

The class PaperInkConverter reads the strokes in a Wacom inkling WPI File.

Constructror:

PaperInkConverter::PaperInkConverter(wchar_t* Filename,

int StrokeThreshold,
int AllThreshold,
int SlidingThreshold);

The constructor opens a .WPI File and reads the first stroke.

Parameter:

Filename of the input File

StrokeThreshold Relative pressure threshold within a strokes in %.

The maximum pressure within a stroke is calculated. Points with a

pressure less than

StrokeThreshold * Max pressure in stroke / 100

are ignored.

AllThreshold Relative pressure threshold of all strokes in %.

The maximum pressure of all strokes until this point calculated. Points

with a pressure less than

AllThreshold * Max pressure of all strokes / 100

are ignored.

SlidingThreshold Not used

The thresholds improve the handwriting recognition. There is a better separation between two characters.

If the file cannot be opened, or the stroke start cannot be found than the Number of Points is negative. (see GetNumberOfPoints)

The first stroke is available immediately after construction. No ReadNextStroke is necessary to get the data of the first stroke

int PaperInkConverter::GetNumberOfPoints()
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Get the number of points for the actual stroke

Parameter:

Return Value:

Number of Points in the current stroke

If End of File is reached or if the file cannot be opened by the constructor, than the return value is -1

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short* PaperInkConverter::GetPenPositionX();
Get the pen X positions of the current stroke
Parameter:
Return Value:
    Array of short values with the X-Values of the pen position of the stroke
short* PaperInkConverter::GetPenPositionY()
Get the pen Y positions of the current stroke
    Array of short values with the Y-Values of the pen position of the stroke
unsigned char * PaperInkConverter::GetPenPressure()
Get the pen pressure of the current stroke
    Array of short values with the X-Values of the pen pressure of the stroke
unsigned char * PaperInkConverter::GetPenTiltX()
Get the pen X tilt of the current stroke
    Array of short values with the pen tilt X-Values of the stroke
unsigned char * PaperInkConverter::GetPenTiltY()
Get the pen Y tilt of the current stroke
    Array of short values with the pen tilt Y-Values of the stroke
int PaperInkConverter::ReadNextStroke();
Read the next stroke
Parameter:
          None
Return Value:
    0
                      More Strokes found in layer
    <> 0
                      No more Strokes found in Layer (End of File or Next Layer)
When the functions returns a value <> 0 than either end of file has been reached or the layer
has changed (test it with EOF_Found). If the layer changed, the values for the new layer are
still available.
int PaperInkConverter::EOF_Found()
Check if end of file has been reached
Return Value:
                            End of file found
    MANAGED TRUE
    MANAGED_FALSE
                            More strokes available
void PaperInkConverter::SetAllSensitivity(int Sensitivity);
set a new value for AllSensitivity (see constructor)
void PaperInkConverter::SetStrokeSensitivity(int Sensitivity);
set a new value for StrokeSensitivity (see constructor)
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If a sensitivity value is used, than an original stroke is split into substrokes. In this case ReadNextStroke reads the next substroke.