RTEMS APPLICATION SPOTLIGHT

Milkymist One

RTEMS (http://www.rtems.com) is an Open Source RTOS providing a powerful development and run-time environment that promotes the production of efficient real-time embedded applications.

Features:

Scalable Architecture
Modified GPL License
Multiple APIs - Classic, POSIX
Event-driven multitasking
Priority-based, preemptive scheduling
Responsive Interrupt Management
Optional Rate Monotonic Scheduling
Priority Inheritance and Ceiling
Protocols
Intertask communication and

synchronization
Homogeneous and heterogeneous
multiprocessor systems
Reentrant ANSI C Library
Add-on libraries including Python,

Lua, and Tcl High performance BSD TCP/IP Stack Protocols: TCP, UDP, BOOTP, ARP, ICMP Servers: FTPD, HTTPD, TELNETD

Clients: DHCP, NTP, DNS, TFTP

Processors Supported:

M680x0 ix86 Coldfire ARM
M683xx Pentium MIPS Blackfin
PowerPC SuperH SPARC H8
NIOS2 LM32 SPARC64



Available Services:

Training
Standard Support
Legacy Support
RTEMS Application Assistance
Board Support Package Development
Application Design and Development
Ports to New Architectures
System Architecture Design



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The Milkymist Project consists of a comprehensive open source solution for the live synthesis of interactive and dance-

directed visual effects for video performance artists known as VJs. The Milkymist Project has delivered the first commercially available open hardware device to feature a system-on-chip (SoC) supporting accelerated graphics with entirely open source Verilog design files. The Milkymist One is an ideal platform for FPGA developers who want a custom platform.



The Milkymist One is an open hardware product that concentrates all the processing power and the interfaces of an heavily interactive VJ setup into one small box. With a unique combination of built-in interfaces such as MIDI, DMX512, analogue video input, Ethernet, OpenSoundControl and generic digital I/O, it gives you all the tools to create truly interactive performances. It is also the best FPGA development platform for an advanced electronics enthusiast.

Flickernoise is the user-friendly VJ application optimized for the Milkymist One and the Milkymist SoC. It renders hardware-accelerated visual effects comparable like those of MilkDrop, aaudio visualization plug-in for Winamp. Flickernoise allows the creation of visual patches and their connection with all the interfaces that the Milkymist One provides thanks to an easy to use graphical user interface. Let the visuals react to sound and MIDI events, connect a camera and create live phantasmagoric images of yourself...

The Milkymist software runs on the RTEMS operating system which provides multitasking, filesystem, TCP/IP networking and basic services such as FTP, NFS and Telnet. We selected RTEMS instead of a more traditional embedded Linux for several reasons. RTEMS is lighter, faster and easier to work with. At the same time, its POSIX capabilities make it easy enough to port existing libraries such as libpng, libjpeg, Freetype and



MuPDF. Both our users and developers appreciate the fast boot time of our product and the rich software environment.

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