



ADCx GATHER

SOUND OVER BOILERPLATE

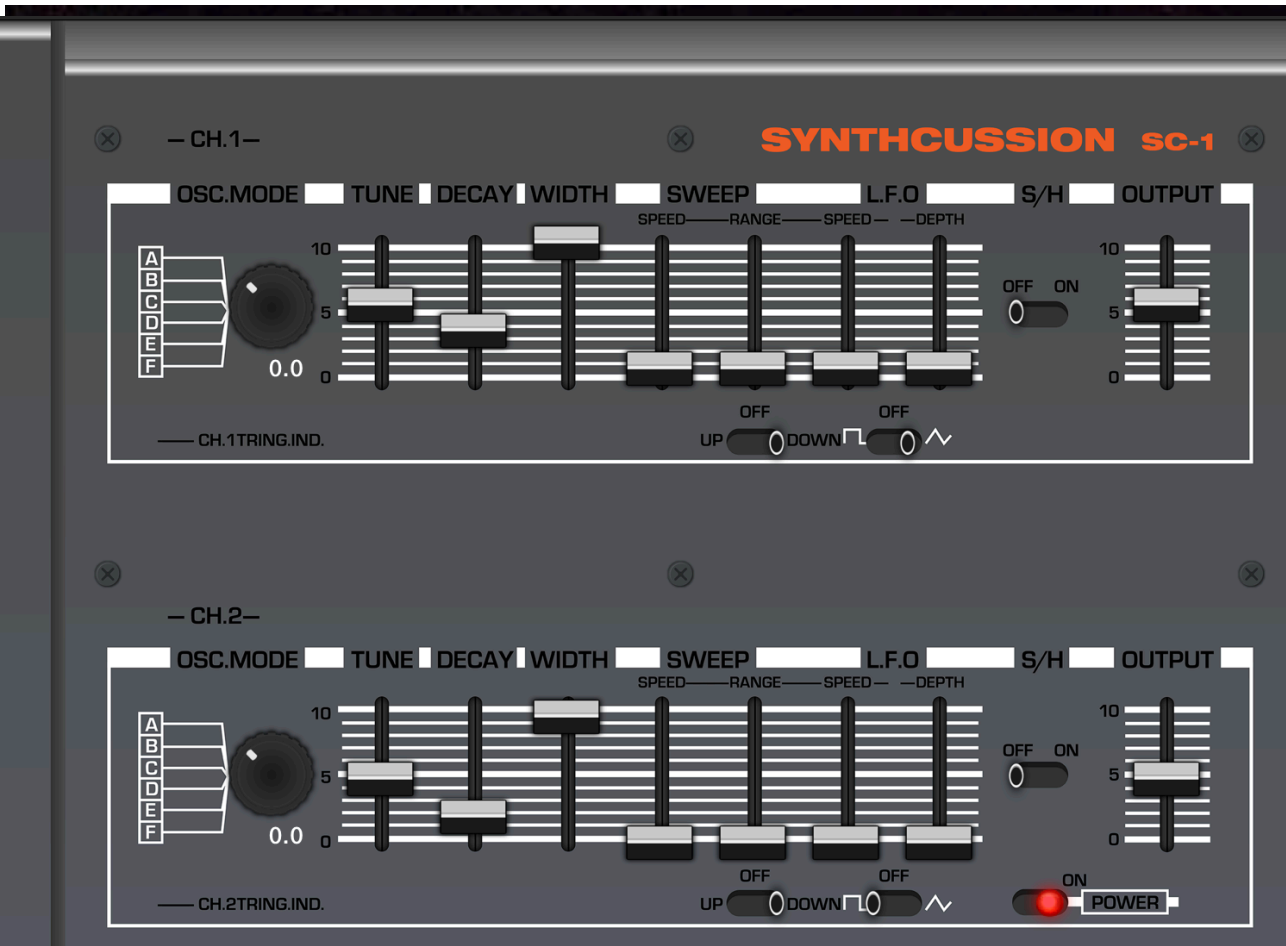
*ACCESSIBLE PLUG-INS DEVELOPMENT
WITH PHAUSTO AND CMAJOR*

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ABOUT ME



- Dj producer, live performer, since early 2000.
- Live coder and audio developer since 2020.
- Currently working for Evref/Inria.



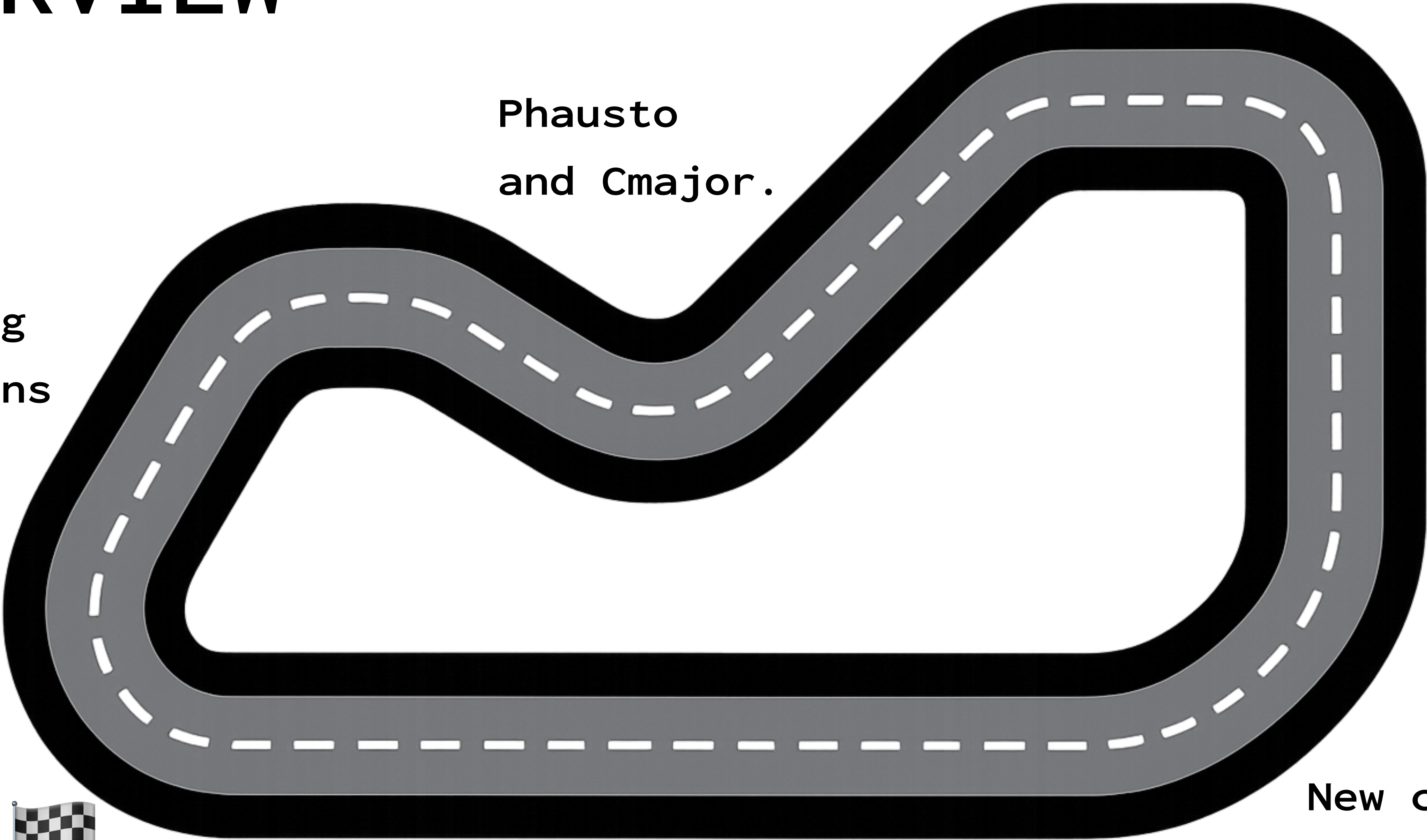
OVERVIEW



Phausto
and Cmajor.

Monetisation

Existing
Solutions



New challenges



The problem.



THE PROBLEM



Audio Developers



Sound Artists and Musicians



- C++ is hard to learn. Hard to master. Dangerous.



Memory management



Data races

- JUCE \neq everything

PHAUSTO AND CMAJOR

[illegible]

485 lines /
generic UI



```

1 graph PulseSynth [[main]]
2 {
3     input event std::midi::Message midiIn;
4     output stream float out;
5
6     let voiceCount = 8;
7
8     node
9     {
10         voices = Voice[voiceCount];
11         voiceAllocator = std::voices::VoiceAllocator (voiceCount);
12     }
13
14     connection
15     {
16         midiIn -> std::midi::MPEConverter -> voiceAllocator;
17         voiceAllocator.voiceEventOut -> voices.eventIn;
18         voices -> out;
19     }
20 }
21
22 graph Voice
23 {
24     input event (std::notes::NoteOn, std::notes::NoteOff) eventIn;
25     output stream float out;
26
27     node
28     {
29         noteToFrequency = NoteToFrequency;
30         env = std::envelopes::ADSR;
31         osc = PulseOscillator;
32     }
33
34     connection
35     {
36         eventIn -> noteToFrequency -> osc.frequencyIn;
37         eventIn -> env.eventIn;
38         (env.gainOut * osc.out) -> out;
39     }
40 }
41
42 // simple MIDI note -> Hz converter
43 processor NoteToFrequency
44 {
45     input event std::notes::NoteOn eventIn;
46     output event float32 frequencyOut;
47 }

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50 lines /  
generic UI
```



```

1 import("stdfaust.lib");
2
3 // parameters
4 attack = hslider("attack [unit:s] [style:knob]",0.01,0.001,5,0.001);
5 decay = hslider("decay [unit:s] [style:knob]",0.1,0.001,5,0.001);
6 sustain = hslider("sustain [style:knob]",0.8,0,1,0.001);
7 release = hslider("release [unit:s] [style:knob]",0.5,0.01,10,0.001);
8
9 pulseWidth = hslider("pulseWidth [style:knob]",0.5,0.01,0.99,0.001);
10 gain = hslider("gain [style:knob]",0.8,0,1,0.001);
11
12 // frequency from MIDI (use midi keyon/off)
13 freq = nentry("freq",440,20,20000,1) : si.smoo; // fallback if no MIDI
14 freqMIDI = pm.freq; // polyphonic MIDI frequency
15 gateMIDI = pm.gate; // polyphonic MIDI gate
16
17 // oscillator
18 osc = os.pulse(freqMIDI : si.smoo,pulseWidth);
19
20 // ADSR envelope
21 env = en.adsr(attack,decay,sustain,release,gateMIDI);
22
23 // apply gain and envelope
24 process = osc * env * gain <: ~,~;
25

```

```
24 lines /  
generic UI
```



```
1 synth := (PulseOsc new freq: #freq ; uLevel: #gain ) => (ADSREnv new trigger: #gate ).
2 dsp := synth stereo asDsp.
3 dsp init.
4 myPatch := CmajorMIDIPatch new name: 'PulseSynth'; dsp: dsp.
5 myPatch export.
6
```

```
5 lines /  
generic UI
```



THE SOLUTION(S)



Max4Live

Not free, only runs in Ableton Live

PlugData

Sparse libraries, questionable performance

FAUST(VST)/w HISE

Functional style can be hard to learn

Cmajor

Easier to learn but still tricky for beginners.
JS required for UIs

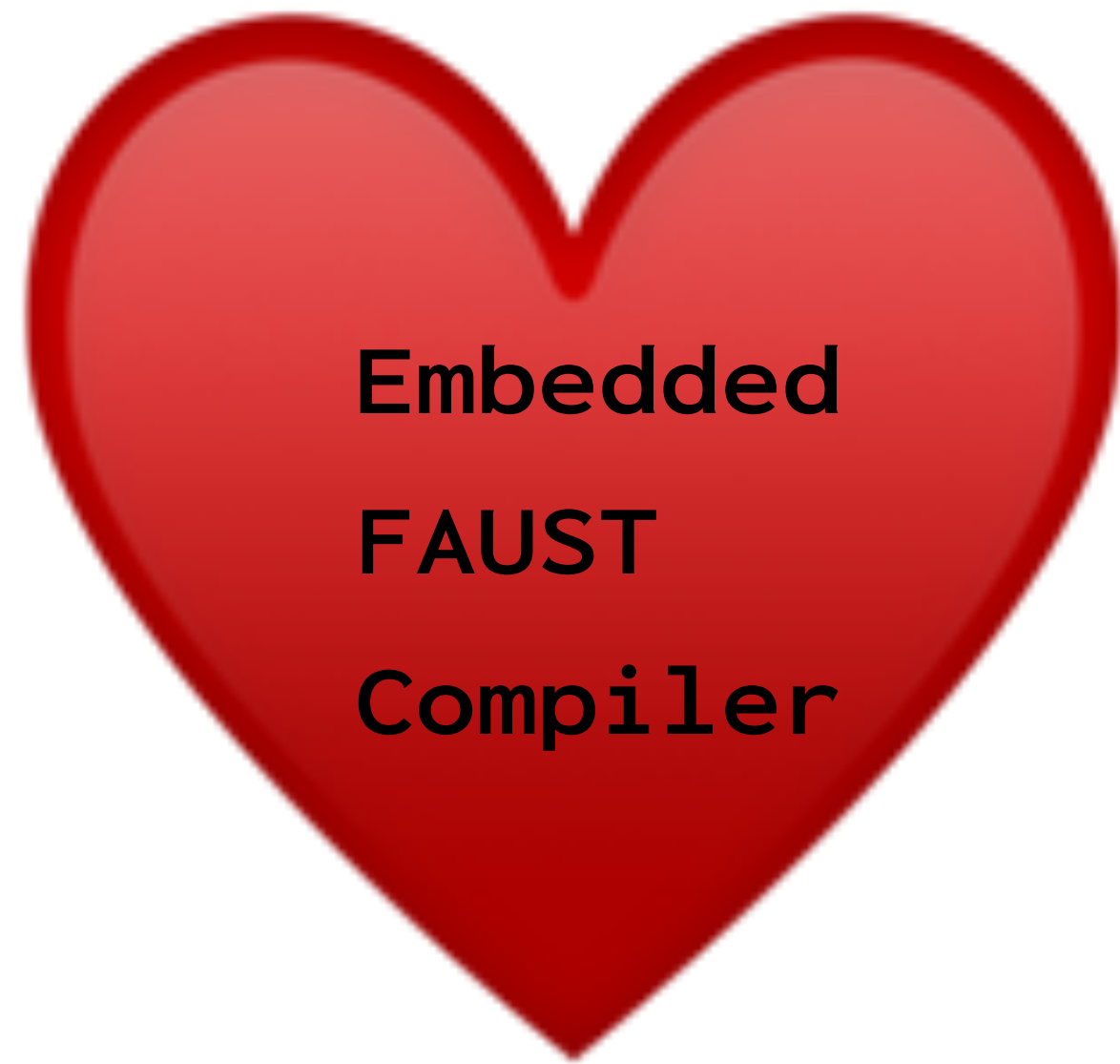
Inria



PHAUSTO AND CMAJOR



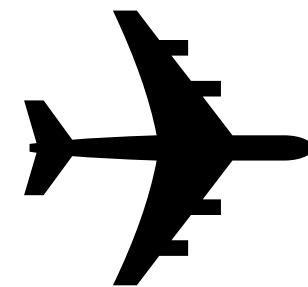
- Phausto is a library and API for Pharo Smalltalk for easy DSP programming.



Embedded
FAUST
Compiler



Huge amount of Unit Generators
from the Standard Libraries



Exporters to many different languages
including Cmajor!

- Cmajor patches can easily run on the free loader plug-in made

Cmajor

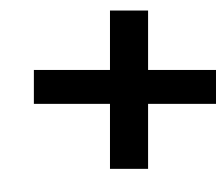


- C-family language designed for writing DSPs.
- It aims to attract beginners but also to match C/C++ performances.
- The Cmajor VST/AU plugin can be used to load patches inside any regular DAW.

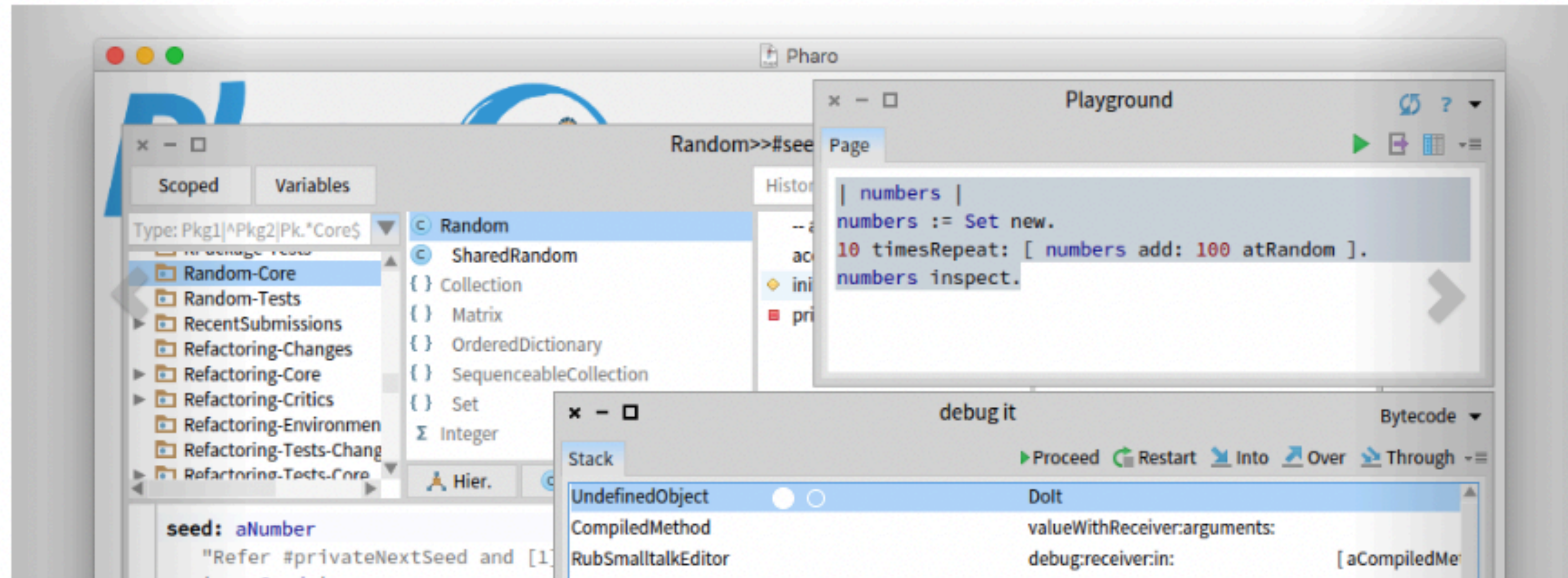
PHARO AND PHAUSTO



- Pharo is a pure OOP language
- Free / open-source / multi-platform



Simple language syntax
Powerful IDE
Integrated Git support
Advanced run-time reflection



- 7 weeks of online MOOC.
- 7 days of MasterLu

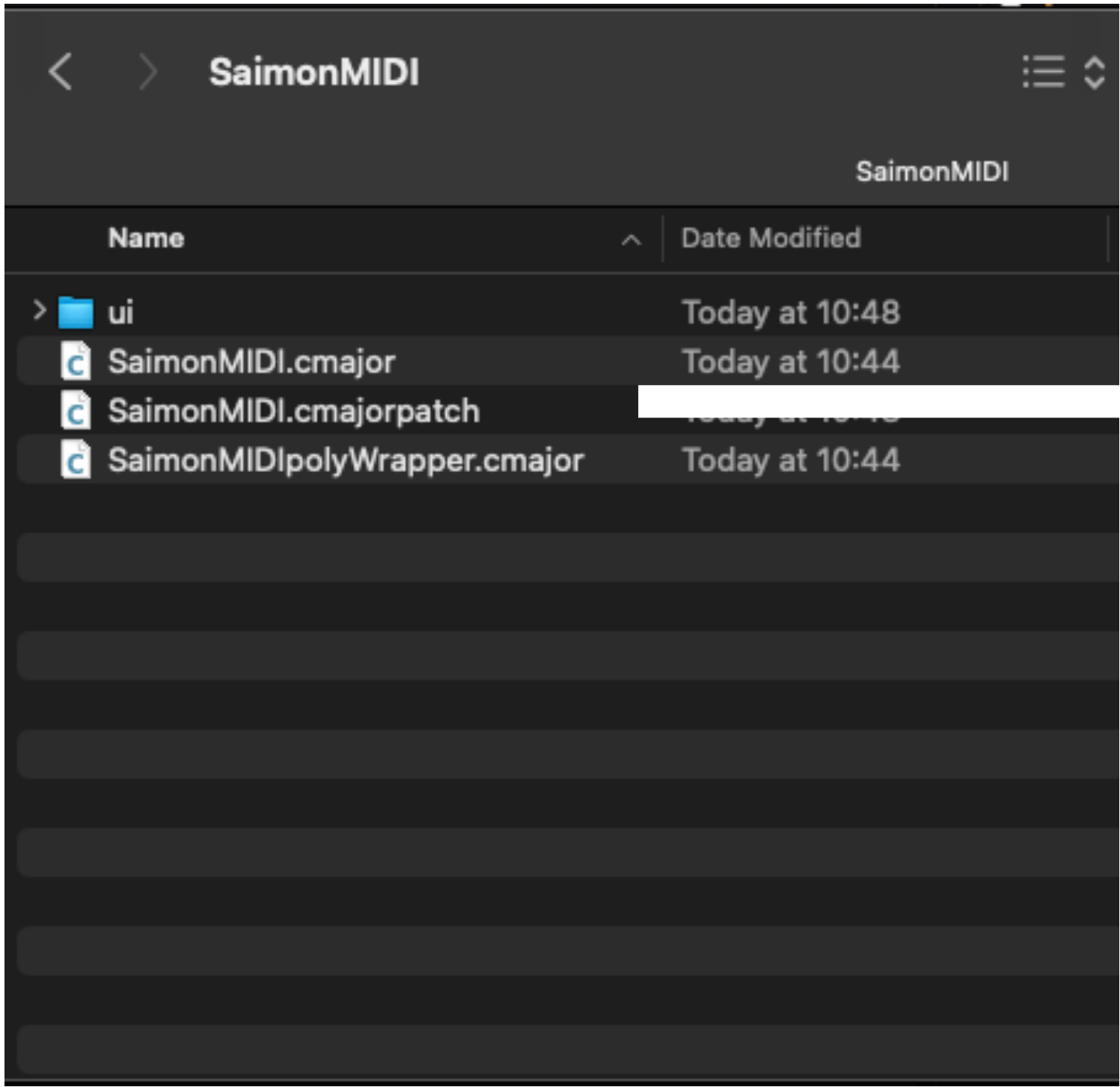
EXPORT TO CMAJOR IN A LAP



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Pharo 14.0 - 64bit (development version, latest).image
Pharo Browse Debug Sources System Library Windows Help
Third party tools and applications Playground
Do it all Publish Bindings Versions Pages

1 "we need a #freq a #gain and a #gate parameter to create a MIDI patch"
2 synth := (PulseOsc new freq: #freq ; uLevel: #gain ) => (ADSREnv new trigger: #gate )
3 dsp := synth stereo asDsp.
4 dsp init; start.
5 dsp stop.
6 dsp displayUI.
7 dsp traceAllParams .
8
9 myPatch := CmajorMIDIPatch new name: 'SaimonMIDI'; dsp: dsp.
10 myPatch export.
11
12 bg := CmajorBackground new image: 'metalEnclosure.png' ; size: 300@300.
13
14 knob := CmajorKnob new image: 'knob1.png'; name: 'PulseOscDuty'; position: 100@40; size: 200@200.
15 fader := CmajorFader new image: 'faderBg1.png'; thumbImage: 'faderThumb1.png' ;name: 'PulseOscDuty'; position: 300@40; size: 200@200.
16 view := CmajorView new background: bg.
17 view knobs add: knob.
18 view faders add: fader.
19 view addTo: myPatch.
20
```


USE A CMAJOR PATCH IN A DAW



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THE MONETISATION



Cmajor files

UI assets

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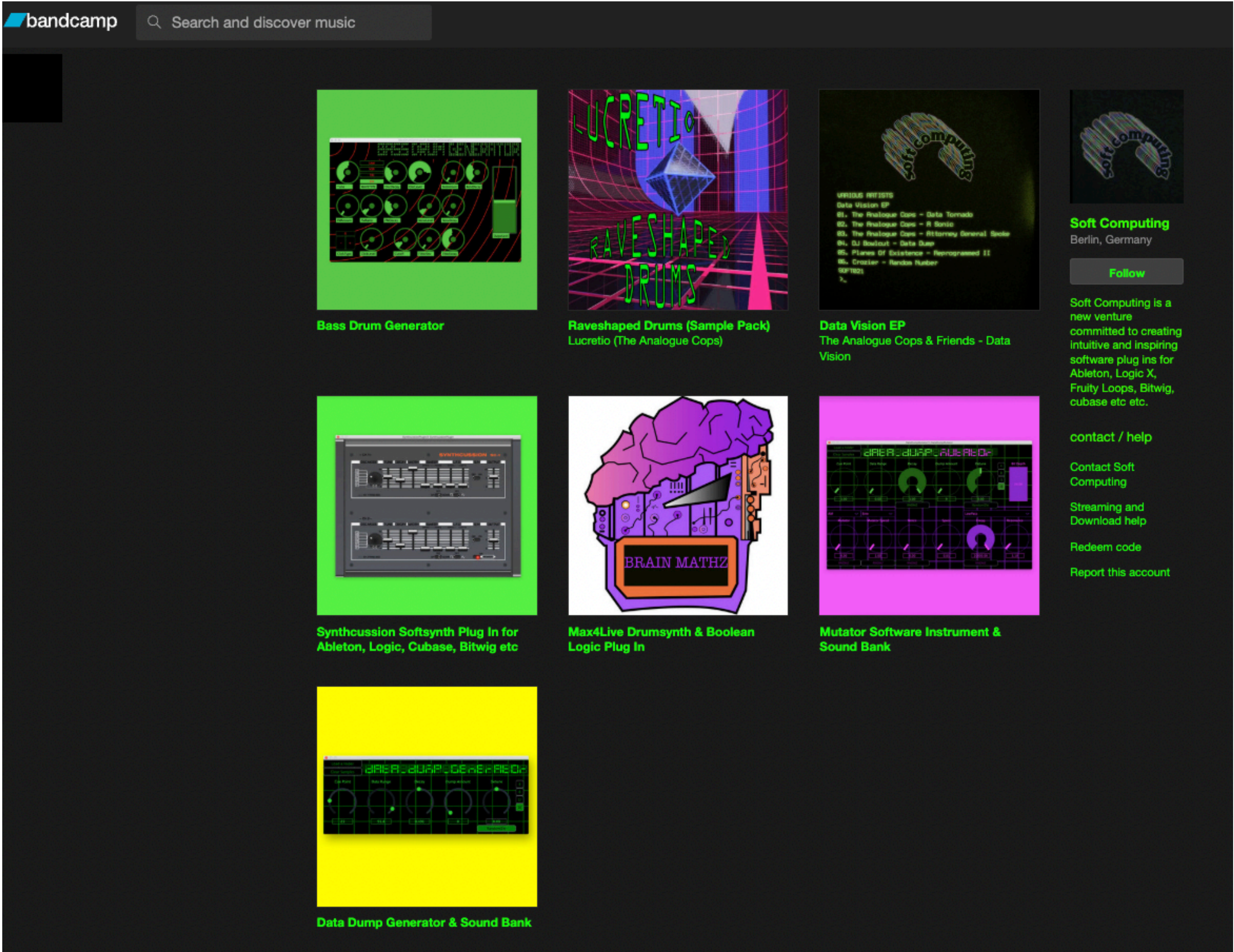


Download Cmajor plug-ins - drag & drop your patches
(<https://github.com/cmajor-lang/cmajor/releases>)

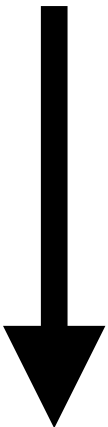
Parts of the FAUST libraries are copyrighted



THE MONETISATION



Bandcamp lets you attach bonus items with our music.



Bundle plugins/assts into a ZIP file and upload them as a bonus item.

THE CHALLENGES



Isn't AI coding plug-ins for us ?

More complex UIs /
simple API.



Native DAW support for
Cmajor patches.

Grazie!

See you in GatherTown



<https://github.com/lucretiomsp/phausto>

<https://pharo.org/>

<https://cmajor.dev/>

<https://faust.grame.fr/>

