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Chapter 1

FinalWrapper

1.1 Hitchhikers guide to FinalWrapper

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*                                     *
*   FinalWrapper 2.1 (11.06.94) by NDY's   *
*                                     *
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1.2 What the hell is it?

A Short Overview

FinalWrapper is a FinalWriter(TM) macro that wraps some piece of text or ↵
 a
 textblock around an oval! It can also create amazing spiral text effects ↵
 with
 just a few mouseclicks and keystrokes!

Features:

- Supports all kind of text attributes and fonts
- Supports any type of text flow
- Unlimited text length when using main text

- Supports rotated ovals
- Additional effects with rotation of characters
- Link oval to wrapped text in different ways
- Uses your preferred language (currently english and german available)
- Can be easily translated into other languages (also available in OS2.0!)
- Different types of spirals
- Automatic/custom reduction of character size towards the inside of a spiral
- Easy to use due to custom requester (2.x) / online help (1.4)

[Click here to look at some demo pics](#)

1.3 Installation

How to Install

(See also the section about FinalWrapper 1.4.\$^2\$)

Simply copy FinalWrapper to your FWMacros drawer. (I suggest you install it to the user menu or the button strip!).

To run it, you need the "rexxmathlib.library", the "rexxsupport.library" and the "apig.library" installed in your LIBS: drawer. Furthermore, of course Rexxmast has to be run before (and you REALLY should own FinalWriter B-)!

If you don't know how to do this, or if you're a lazy guy (like myself 8-]), you can use the Installer-script provided with this release, which will do the whole job for you. To use it, you need Commodore's Installer. It can be found on the OS3.0+ Install disk, on your Final Writer Disk 1 and is also available from PD (Fish Disk 870).\$^1\$

Install FinalWrapper 2.x

Install FinalWrapper 1.4

1.4 Note on installation

Note:

The script internally makes use of the Version command which needs the version.library to work. Unless you've deleted them, they're situated on your Workbench.

The rexxsupport.library normally can be found on the Workbench disk as well.

1.5 Note on installation

Note:

The actual version is always being referred to as "2.x" to prevent me from changing it in the whole doc with every new release :-}

1.6 How to use it

Usage

(There's no need to read the footnotes to use this program, they just provide you with some extra information.)

* Using the requester

Having started the macro, you'll be prompted a requester where you can select all needed options:

Each option is represented by three gadgets:

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_1   _____2   _____3
| |   |@|           |   |   |
-   - - - - - - - - - - - - -

```

The checkbox gadget (1) determines, whether the option is to be used (otherwise the default value is used). The string gadget (3) allows you to enter a number. Finally, the cycle gadget (2) specifies the way the option works. Behind the name, you can see the unit in which (3) is measured (% percent/\textdegree{} degrees). The entered numbers are internally limited to a certain range (see below).

The following options can be found:

* Arc: (0 to 360, default: 360)

The first option determines the size of the sector to be used. This allows you to wrap the text around only a part of the oval. When writing anticlockwise, the bottom of the characters point to the outside of the circle, otherwise to the inside.

* Spiral: (0 to 100, default 100)

The number indicates the radius of the inside of the spiral in ratio to the oval's radii in percent. "Outside to inside" starts the spiral with the oval's radii getting successively smaller upto n% of their original size to the end of the text. The height is reduced in the same way (unless the "Size" option is specified, see below). "Inside to outside" works the other way round. The arc is unlimited when using spirals.

* Size: (0 to 100, default: Value of "Spiral" if given, otherwise 100)

The "Size" option, mainly intended to be used in conjunction with spirals (although it can be used without, of course), defines the ratio of the height of the first character to the height of the last one. It works exactly the same way as the "Spiral" option.

It's main purpose is to keep the height unchanged ("100") when using spirals, but you can also set another size reduction rate as for the radius.

* Start: (0 to 180, 0 to 360 for absolute, default: shift 0)

With this option you can determine the place where the text starts. "Shift" 0 lets the text be centered relative to the top of the oval. Other values shift the start in one direction. "Absolute" sets the absolute starting point (0 is at the bottom of the oval, counting anticlockwise). The option allows you to specify any position you want for the wrapped text, e.g. to use a special part of an oval.

* Rotate: (0 to 180, 0 to 360 for absolute, default: 0 clockwise)

"Absolute" sets the rotation of all letters to n (i.e. they all look in the same direction). The number is relative to the oval's rotation, i.e. with 0, the characters are drawn parallel to the axes of the oval.

"Like textblock" works equal, except that all chars now have the same rotation as the textblock. The number has no effect. With normal text, it works like "Absolute".

The other two rotate all characters by another n degrees in either direction.

* Delete:

Specifies, which objects are to be deleted. Not deleting the oval slows down the drawing process quite a bit. Therefore, you can use the "Copy oval" option which copies the oval before deleting it for you can simply paste it afterwards, as soon as you need it.

* Grouping:

The option allows you to group the oval to the created object. "Invisible oval" makes the oval invisible before grouping it. This is mainly useful if you use a sector of less than 360 and want the text to flow around the full oval.

* Adjust:

The option provides you with two different ways to improve the generated effects:

"Character width" stretches/squashes each character, so that there are no gaps between them. In addition "Character size" changes the height in the same ratio, so the characters don't get distorted (gives a fancy effect with ellipses!),

Contrary to the above, "Arc" changes the sector size to achieve the same goal.

Therefore it's only useful, if you don't need a special sector size (great in conjunction with the "Spiral" option!). If this option is used, the "Arc" option is overridden, but it still determines the direction, the starting point (if "Start: Absolute" isn't used) and it defines the shape of the spirals.

* Autoshow screen:

FinalWrapper currently can't open it's requester on Final Writer's screen, since it isn't a public screen. Therefore, it uses the frontmost public screen and brings this one to front. When closing the requester, the screen is put to back again. In case a future version of Final Writer should have a public screen, you

can deselect this gadget so the screen won't be brought to back afterwards.

* Autoactivate gadgets:

Enables/disables the automatic selection of the string gadget, if the cycle gadget is used. In addition, the checkbox gadget is only selected, if you actually changed the value in the stringgadget (if the option is disabled). This is useful when you use the keyboard (see below) to set the options (you can then easily move from one gadget to the next with the TAB key).

* Preserve settings:

Determines, whether all settings are automatically stored when leaving the macro (except with "Cancel"). They are not saved to disk, however, they only remain active until the next reset. The saved settings can be restored by unselecting "Preserve settings" and "Set default" and clicking on the window's close gadget.

* Rescan:

If you have used the "Draw" gadget before (see below), select this to have FinalWrapper read in new text from the current paragraph. There's no need to use this gadget, if you want to use a new oval or textblock or some new passage of text (just select them).

* Set default:

Saves all current settings. Note that if you use the requester's closegadget and "Set default" is selected, the settings are saved but no action takes place ("Cancel" doesn't save).

* Ok:

Closes the requester and starts the drawing process.

* Draw:

Starts the drawing process without closing the requester. Therefore you don't

have to wait for the requester to pop up for the next tries. You can select any new oval, textblock or passage of text as usual for further goes. But if you don't select anything new, the old text/oval will be reused which leads to a shorter calculation time. If you want to use new text from the current paragraph, you have to use the "Rescan" option (see above).

While drawing, you can click on the "Cancel" or close gadget to abort the operation. You can go on working with the requester as usual (Autoactivate Gadgets and keyboard shortcuts might be a little lazy and "Ok"/"Draw" won't work of course).

* Cancel:

Closes the requester without saving any settings.

* Close gadget:

Closes the requester and saves settings, if the appropriate gadgets are ticked.

* Object selection

Before clicking on "Ok" or "Draw" you first have to select an oval plus some text. This can be done at any time: Before starting the macro or while the requester is open. It doesn't matter whether this is a textblock or a passage of normal text. If you don't select any text, the current paragraph is used. The whole text will be neatly wrapped around the oval.

Normal text has the advantage of enabling the usage of an unlimited number of characters in different styles, colours, font etc. Due to the system used for this, it's fairly slower than a textblock, which can be only 33 characters long and can only have one style¹.

If the oval had been rotated, the wraptext will be rotated as well.

So: Select the text, click on the "mouse-pointer gadget" and select the oval.

Or: Select the textblock, press Shift and then click on the oval².

Or: Place the cursor in the wanted paragraph and select the oval.

Keyboard shortcuts

All options can be changed using the keyboard:

- * Fn (i.e. F1 to F8): Works as if cycle gadget n (counting from the top) was selected with the mouse. ↵
- * <Left Shift> + Fn: Changes the state of checkbox gadget n (on the left side, therefore left shift key). ↵
- * <Right Shift> + Fn: Activates string gadget n. Please note that the keyboard shortcuts are disabled while a string gadget is active. ↵
- * F9, F10, [,], / (on numeric keyboard): Toggle the checkbox gadgets.
- * Esc: Cancel button
- * Return: Draw button
- * Enter: Ok button
- * Del: Window closegadget

1.7 Note on usage

Note:

Currently case, super-/subscript and underline etc. are not supported by FinalWriter for textblocks. ↵

1.8 Note on usage

Note:

Don't select more than one oval or textblock. FinalWrapper being unable to figure out which object you selected first, it will simply take the oval and the textblock with the highest internal number. If you select a textblock, highlighted text will be ignored. ↵

1.9 Note on usage

Note:

If an option is used twice or more times, only the first occurrence is ↵

recognized. If the sector size is given with and without a preceding "a", the one with the "a" is used.

1.10 Using version 1.4

Why using version 1.4?

Version 1.4 of FinalWrapper is released together with V2.x. I thought some people might still want to use it, because...

- * it doesn't need apig.library which saves quite some memory.
- * there's a shorter delay until the requester pops up (it seems impossible to me to make V2.x remarkably faster since Arexx is not that fast, but you don't have to reopen the requester on every go).
- * it has got an online help (V2.x doesn't need this, I think).
- * the only difference between the two versions is the user interface.

Usage

(There's no need to read the footnotes to use this program, they just provide you with some extra information.)

* Before calling the macro

To run the macro, you first have to select an oval plus some text. It doesn't matter whether this is a textblock or a passage of normal text. If you don't select any text, the current paragraph is used. The whole text will be neatly wrapped around the oval.

Normal text has the advantage of enabling the usage of an unlimited number of characters in different styles, colours, font etc. Due to the system used for this, it's fairly slower than a textblock, which can be only 33 characters long and can only have one style¹.

If the oval had been rotated, the wraptext will be rotated as well.

So: Select the text, click on the "mouse-pointer gadget" and select the oval.

Or: Select the textblock, press Shift and then click on the oval².

Or: Place the cursor in the wanted paragraph and select the oval.

Now you may start FinalWrapper.

* Using the requester

You'll be prompted a requester where you can enter all needed options (the
Ok
and Cancel gadgets work as usual). Note that it's perfectly OK to enter
nothing
to use the default settings. All options are to be separated by a space
from
their precessor and successor³\$. Unknown ones are ignored.

* Sector size: $A_n = n / A$ $\backslash\mathrm{ensuremath{\backslash pm}n = \backslash\mathrm{ensuremath{\backslash pm}n / \backslash\mathrm{ensuremath{\backslash pm} = A$ $\backslash\mathrm{ensuremath{\backslash pm} = A$ $\backslash\mathrm{ensuremath{\backslash pm}360$ (default: 360)

The first option determines the size of the sector to be used in degrees.
This
allows you to wrap the text around only a part of the oval. You have to enter
a
number between -360 and 360. A negative number makes the bottom of
the
characters point to the outside of the circle, a positive one to the inside (try
both to see the difference). Unless you add an "a" in front of the size,
this
option must be given in the first place. If the option is omitted or
missplelt,
it's assumed to be the default value of 360. Too high / low numbers are
changed
to 360 / -360. $\backslash\mathrm{ensuremath{\backslash pm}$ stands for $\backslash\mathrm{ensuremath{\backslash pm}360$.

E.g:	360	Use the full circle (a360/a+360/A+360/A360 would be the same
)	
	180	Use one half of the circle
	-40	Only a tiny arc is to be used

* Deletion: D+ / D- / D= (default: delete oval)

Unless the D option is specified, the oval will be deleted by this macro.
The
following switches can be used: "d+" deletes both the textblock and the
oval
whereas "d-" prevents the oval from being deleted. "d=" slows down the
drawing
process quite a bit. Therefore you can use the "d=" option, which copies
the
oval before deleting it for you can simply paste it afterwards, as soon as
you
need it.

* Rotation: R+n / R-n / R+ / R- / R= (default: R+0)

"r\ensuremath{\pm}n" rotates all characters by another n degrees to the right (+) or left (-).

"r\ensuremath{\pm}" is a shortcut for "r\ensuremath{\pm}90". n must be between -180 and +180.

"rn" sets the rotation of all letters to n (i.e. they all look in the same direction). n is relative to the oval's rotation, i.e. with "r0", the characters are drawn parallel to the axes of the oval. "r=" works like "rn", except that all chars now have the same rotation as the textblock (or 0 for normal text). n is limited to 0 ... 360.

E.g: r+90	The letters build a "file"
r+180	Looks like "a-360", but the order of the chars is reversed
r180	All characters are drawn upside down

* Grouping: G- / G+ (default: don't group oval)

The "g" option allows you to group the oval to the created object. "g+" groups the oval as it is, whereas "g-" makes it invisible before. This is mainly useful if you use a sector of less than 360 and want the text to flow around the full oval.

* Starting point: Sn / S+n / S-n / S+ / S- (default: S0)

With this option you can determine the place where the text starts. "s+0" lets the text be centered relative to the top of the oval. Positive values with preceding "+" shift the starting point anticlockwise, negative ones clockwise. "s\ensuremath{\pm}" is equal to "s\ensuremath{\pm}90". "sn" sets the absolute starting point (0 is at the bottom of the oval, counting anticlockwise). The option allows you to specify any position you want for the wrapped text, e.g. to use a special part of an oval. By the way: n must be between -180 and +180 for the "s\ensuremath{\pm}n" and between 0 and 360 for the "sn" option.

E.g: s270	The text starts on the left side of the oval
a90 s+	90 degree arc, centered to the left side

* Spirals: @n = @+n / @-n (default: @100)

Spirals can be achieved with the "@n" option: n must be between -100 and 100 and indicates the radius of the inside of the spiral in ratio to the oval's in percent. Negative values make the text start at the inside of the spiral, positive at the outside. "@n" starts the spiral with the oval's radii getting successively smaller upto n% of their original size to the end of the text. The height is reduced in the same way (unless the "h" option is specified, see below). The sector size is unlimited when using spirals. "@100" is equal to "@-100" (no spiral).

E.g: @30 a1080 Start at the outside, going three times round until a size of 30% of the original is reached
 @-1 a720 Start in the middle of the oval, 2 full turns

* Height: $H_n = H + n / H - n$ (default: Value of @ if given, otherwise H100)

The "hn" option, mainly intended to be used in conjunction with spirals (although it can be used without, of course), defines the ratio of the height of the first character to the height of the last one. It works exactly the same way as the "@" option. "h100" is the same as "-h100".

It's main purpose is to keep the height unchanged ("h100") when using spirals, but you can also set another size reduction rate as for the radius.

E.g: h-20 Lets the first character have one fifth of the original size and each following a bit more, until the last, which is drawn in normal size.

* Adjusting: J+ / J- / J= (default: no adjusting)

The option provides you with two different ways to improve the generated effects:

The `j\ensuremath{\pm}` option stretches/squashes each character, so that there are no gaps between them. In addition, j+ changes the height in the same ratio, so the characters don't get distorted (gives a fancy effect with ellipses!).

Contrary to the above, the j= option changes the sector size to achieve the same

goal. Therefore it's only useful, if you don't need a special sector size (↵
 great
 for spirals!). If this option is used, the "a" option is overridden, but ↵
 it
 still determines the direction (a+/a-), the starting point (if sn isn't ↵
 used)
 and it defines the shape of a spiral (@/h options, see example).

E.g: a1080 @20 j= Spiral, 20% of the original radius is reached after ↵
 three
 turns (1080\textdegree{}). But maybe (if there's not ↵
 enough text) it
 won't ever arrive there
 a180 j+ Fixed sector size, both width and height adjusted

* Save options: O+ / O- (default: don't save)

If you intend to use the same options more than once (to experiment with ↵
 them
 for instance), you can use the "o" option to store the current contents of ↵
 the
 requester. Any time you call FinalWrapper from now on, the same options ↵
 will
 reappear. The difference between the two forms is that the "o-" will be ↵
 removed
 from the option list before saving it and then will abort. Use this, if you ↵
 want
 to save the options only once. "o+" saves all options and continues.

E.g: First call On any further call, the following will ↵
 appear:
 r+ s-90 d= o- a R+ S-90 D= A (just add the missing number)
 120 d= s- o+ @120 120 D= S- O+ @120

* Help: ? (default: no help)

If you can't remember the exact syntax or don't know all options, just type ↵
 "?"
 anywhere in the options and a help requester will pop up. You can work your ↵
 way
 through the help by using the "Next" and "Previous" buttons. "Back", as ↵
 you
 might have thought, brings you back to the input requester.

E.g.: a123 g+?

1.11 Other macros

Some other goodies

There are a few small (and less amazing ;-() macros that come along ↵
 with

FinalWrapper. Nevertheless, they're quite useful some times, so I didn't want to
hide them from public:

* CentreObjects

Just select some objects, call the macro and they'll be centred to the middle of
the current edit area. The vertical positions keep unchanged.

* StretchObjects

Select one or more objects and start this prog. It will expand the objects to
the full width of the edit area (only horizontally).

* ExpandObjects

Works similar to the above one, except that the height is enlarged in the same
ratio as the width.

* SizeNOblique

Set size and oblique of the first and the last character of a paragraph (or any
two characters and select the passage between including the two chars). Now
start the macro. The size and oblique of the characters between are now
gradually changed from the first to the last one's.

E.g. You have the word "NICE!" with an 80 point N, and a 40 point !, so the I
is going to be 70 points high, the C 60 and the E 50.

* Text2Block

Creates a textblock out of the selected text or - if no text is highlighted -
the current paragraph, using all the different fonts, colours, sizes etc. It can
be used like a standard textblock.

FinalWaver

Finally, one a bit more sophisticated one: It creates sine-waves out of some
text. It's used similar to FinalWrapper (1.4). If you start it, you'll be
prompted a requester to enter your options:

* Waves: Wn (default: 1)

Number of complete sine waved to be created (so 1.5 means one and a half).

* Amplitude: An / A-n (default: 1)

Defines the height of the waves (double the value and they'll be twice as high).

The minus (-) mirrors the wave horizontally.

* Help: ? (default: no help)

Help requester as in FinalWrapper.

As in FinalWrapper, you can select some text or a textblock first. By the way: If you don't use any textblock, the waves are generated at the middle of the page.

The program is mainly based upon FinalWrapper 1.4a. The results are not perfect, but I think you can live with them.

1.12 Programmer's corner

Some information for Gurus and the like

If you aren't familiar with Arexx, you'd better skip this section.

* I've split up the whole code in some subroutines to simplify your (and in the first place my own) life when altering FinalWrapper. The code growing larger and larger comments have been reduced to a minimum.

* The "PROC" in front of all subroutines enables folding them with GoldEd (set fold start/end to PROC/RETURN in misc config). This is completely ignored by Arexx, since it's located before the label (how cunning! :->).

* All subroutines have now all parameters listed in their first line, so you even don't need to unfold them for usage. The number in [brackets] indicates the version of FinalWrapper in which this routine has changed for the last time. So you know what is new if you receive a new version. I suggest you add an asterisk or something like that, if you change a routine yourself.

* The code isn't especially optimized (yet). Even some ugly pieces of code can be found because I sometimes wanted to keep the code size from growing to infinity rather than to make the code faster.

How to translate the program into another language

Copy the english strings in the "locale" sub and translate them. Make sure you don't remove any doublequote ("), since they're essential. If you use single quotes ('), add another quote (i.e. use '' instead of ').

You can make use of the following variables inside your strings:

```

"errtext":  %n  error number (=RC)
             %l  error line (=SIGL)
             %t  errortext (note that Arexx returns it's errortexts always ←
                 in
                 english, at least upto OS3.0) (=ErrorText(RC))
"nolib":    %y  library name (=library[.n])
"wintitle": %i  program info (=info)          (2.x only)
"input":    %i  (dito)                        \ (1.4
             %d  default values (=default) / only)

```

E.g.:

```

info='FinalWrapper 2.x by NDY's'
wintitle="%i/Al «Kojack» Longhair"
expanded to: "FinalWrapper 1.4 by NDY's/Al «Kojack» Longhair"

```

"helppages" can be increased for any language, if necessary (1.4 only)

Don't remove my name from the infostring and do include it somewhere, please ←
...

To test your new language, set the variable "test" to 1 and start macro, ←
then
set it to 2 and so on. The following things are tested:

```

test=1          Library not found requester
test=2          Wrong things selected
test=3          No OS 2.0 (2.x)
                Requester/help: hit "Ok", try ALL requesters (1.4)
test=4          Final Writer not found (text output to the Shell)
test=6          Error requester
test=7          FinalWrapper already started (2.x)
test=8          Couldn't open requester (2.x)
test=10,20,100,200 FinalWriter returncodes

```

If everything works fine, reset "test" to 0.

FW reads it's language from the variable ENV:Locale which is used ←
by
locale.library V40+. But don't bother if you don't have this one (I don't ←
have
it either!), the ENV_Locale program initializes this variable and also the ←
one
in ENVARC:. This is automatically called by the installation script and sets ←
the
variable according to locale's preferred language. Unless you translate ←
the
whole doc and the script (: -), you should duplicate the install button in ←
this
doc, adding "LANGUAGE name" just after the "NOPRINTER" (e.g. ... ←
NOPRINTER
LANGUAGE français"). Like that, OS2.0 users can also use your translation ←
as
well.

If you send me your translations or improved versions, you'll receive my ←
newest

version including your additional features, if possible. By the way: Who wants to do the translation work of the english doc to german for me??? It takes me a lot of time which could be used for coding (and other things) instead...

1.13 Known bugs and limitations

Bugs and other insects

- * For flat ovals, the results aren't very amazing if the text flows round the tight arcs. Use the "Adjust" (J) option to improve this.
- * You'd better not change the text while FinalWrapper is working since this could lead to malfunction (especially when using normal text!).
- * If the oval is rotated and the sector size is not about ± 360 then the created object may be placed not exactly over the oval (how terrible! ;). Use "Group: Invisible oval" (G-) and it should be OK.
- * Sometimes, the line above the Ok/Cancel gadgets gets drawn in wrong colours (or not at all). Why? Don't ask me...
- * "Group" won't work if "Draw" is used and no new oval has been selected before.
- * Bug reported by Amiga Oberland: A disk called "Work:" was requested when saving a Final Writer doc created with FinalWrapper. I couldn't reproduce this one, sorry! (Renaming my "Work:" made no difference.) In fact, FWrapper does not access any files except ENV:Locale, the prefsfiles and the libs. I really can't imagine a reason for this behaviour!

FinalWrapper was created and tested using Final Writer Release 1 (21.10.93, german version) on an A1200 (OS3.0, 2MB Chip, 4MB Fast, HD). It should run under OS2.0/2.1 and other hardware configurations as well. In the few tests with Final Writer Release 2 (27.04.94, german version) it seemed to work properly.

1.14 About the history

Program history

(The alpha, beta etc. versions were not released)

- 1.0 (24.02.94) Initial Release
 - 1.1a (06.03.94) Changed name from Wrap to FinalWrapper
Corrected version string
Added usage of normal text for long texts and different ↔
styles
Textflow is now taken from the oval not the standard ↔
textblock
Added D option
Seperate doc file for saving memory
 - 1.1b (10.03.94) Added runtime/syntax error checking
Thus corrected syntax of RemLib
And added test whether no object is selected
Added replacing of bad characters (TABs, CRs etc.) by spaces
Fixed "sectorsize 6 impossible" bug
Sectorsize limited to -360...360, default is now 360
 - 1.1c (11.03.94) Added RemLib in case of runtime error
Corrected SELECTED to "SELECTED" etc.
Added support for rotated ovals
Changed indention which reduced source size by ~2.5k!
Removed requester for wrong input
 - 1.1 (17.03.94) Corrected bug if using normal text
Better german docfile (translation of this one)
 - 1.2a (18.03.94) Added R option
Added L option
Added help requesters
 - 1.2b (26.03.94) Now supports locale's preferred language
Linked strings ("a b c") replaced by dotted variables (x.y)
Multiple textblocks abandoned (the selection order is unknown ↔
)
Now uses Datatype() instead of complicated Verify()
Added S option
 - 1.2 (27.03.94) Documentation now in the AmigaGuide format
Character objects are deleted if an error occurs
Added Installer-script
 - 1.3a (02.04.94) Added @/h options (inspired by CBM's Bullet-lib spiral demo)
Corrected silly bug that caused an error when "Abort" was ↔
used
Changed procedure headers to enable folding them with GoldEd
Installer-script now can be started from within the doc
 - 1.3b (03.04.94) Completely restructured the whole code (once again saved ~2k ↔
!)
Decimal delimiter now is correctly reset after an error
Now all printable characters are handled (;" didn't work)
Helppages are shown in correct order
The Installer-script now asks before overwriting the macro
 - 1.3c (13.04.94) Added d= option
Removed bug in help: Back wouldn't always work
 - 1.3d (14.04.94) Added O option
L option now is called G (more clear)
Somewhat improved parts of the manual
Help doesn't trash the option line anymore
 - 1.3 (27.04.94) Now uses ENV:Locale to determine the language
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Added ENV_Locale
 Installer-script now checks whether newer version is installed ←

1.4a (10.05.94) Spaces are no longer treated seperately
 Floating point numbers are now allowed
 Procedure and variable "link" renamed
 Now uses current paragraph if no text was selected
 Sn option added
 Included some other macros

1.4b (14.05.94) Object-deletion after an error much faster
 Speedup normal text not much faster but results worse -> RIP

1.4 (18.05.94) Added J option
 Added A\ensuremath{\pm} option
 Now can be started from outside Final Writer
 @0/H0 no longer equal to @100/H100

2.0 (23.05.94) Added GUI
 Removed help requesters (not needed anymore)
 Demodoc replaced by screenshots

2.1a (04.06.94) Now requester can be left open (thus added "Rescan")
 "Preserve settings" switch added

2.1b (07.06.94) Faster processing when reusing the same text
 Window zip-gadget added
 Requester now works while processing the text

2.1 (11.06.94) Program would crash if started twice, now shows a messy
 Now rescans new ovals/textblocks/selected text automatically
 Now you can abort the drawing process
 Ok didn't work anymore from 2.1b, fixed
 Now shows a messy if it can't open it's requester

V1.3 has been tested for quite some time, so it should be stable. As far as I ←
 know until now, there are no bugs in V1.4 either. (I can't test all possible ←
 option combinations, however!). V2.1 has only been used a few times until the ←
 new functions seemed to work properly.

1.15 About the future

The future of FinalWrapper

By the time I'm writing this, I'm run out of improvment ideas (:<).

Do you have some cool ideas? Don't hesitate to write me!

Idea by Amiga Oberland: Wrap text around two circles at once. Not bad, but I ←
 would have to reprogram the whole code for drawing. Therefore not likely to be ←
 implemented soon...

If you tell me about bugs in FinalWrapper or write me a good idea for an ←
 improvement, you'll receive a new version with the bugs fixed or the new feature ←

included (if possible).

Anyway, do send me a disk (maybe with some cool stuff on it?) and some ↵
 money
 (sfr., DM, US\$) to cover postage (or money for both), if you want me to send ↵
 you ↵
 a new version.

Other macros

I plan to write another macro to make text flow alongside a ↵
 mathematical
 function (e.g. $\sin(x)*3*x$ etc.) while the text size can be modified by ↵
 another
 function simultaneously, if desired.

Maybe I'll write a function plotter in near future (as soon as I need one ↵
 ...).
 Other suggestions are welcome, of course.

1.16 Legal stuff

Law and order

* Disclaimer:

You use the program at your own risk. Neither I nor any other author of ↵
 any
 included file can be made responsible for any damage caused by any part of ↵
 this
 distribution.

Especially don't blame me if...

- your machine has crashed because of FinalWrapper and you've lost 10 hours ↵
 of
- work on your new amazing shot'em up.
- your cat has eaten the disk containing FinalWrapper and got ill.
- your local power plant broke down while using FinalWrapper (a known bug, ↵
 which
- only occurs very rarely)!
- you cannot close your mouth anymore because of sheer amazement about ↵
 the
- effects achieved with FinalWrapper (look at a PC, this should cure you!).

3-) ↵

* Distribution:

This program is Public Domain, i.e. you may use it or change it as you ↵
 please.
 The whole distribution should be kept together, but at least you should ↵
 include
 the needed libraries and one of the ShortInfo docs.

The following files are included:

FW1_4/FinalWrapper.rexx	FinalWrapper 1.4
FW1_4/FinalWrapper.install	Installer script for 1.4
FW2_x/FinalWrapper.rexx	FinalWrapper 2.x
FW2_x/FinalWrapper.install	Installer script for 2.x
FinalWrapper.Guide + .info	English AmigaGuide doc
FinalWrapperD.Guide + .info	German AmigaGuide doc
ShortInfo.doc	A very short description
ShortInfo.dok	The same in german
DemoPics/#?.IFF	Some demo screenshots
DemoPics/Showpics.BAT	Script to view them
OtherGoodies/#?.rexx	Some other macros
ENV_Locale	Used by the install-script
E/ENV_Locale.e	E source of the program \ Only useful for
E/locale.m	Needed to compile it / E programmers!
libs/rexxmathlib.library	For trigonometry
libs/apig.library	For the requester (2.x only)

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P.S: This is my very first prog in Arexx! D'ya like it?

Have fun!

ND

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