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Chapter 1

Floppy

1.1 Contents

Floppy.device 4.1

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1.2 copyright

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1.3 introduction

Introduction

Floppy.device is a replacement for trackdisk.device.

Features

- Trackdisk compatible.
- Faster than trackdisk.
- Format capacities are 1.12MB/2MB.

1.4 requirements

Requirements:

Kickstart 3.0, M68020

Tested at these systems:

A1200

1.5 installation

Installation

Execute the install script from WorkBench. Script just installs for unit 0. For others you should copy FS0 file and change the unit numbers in the files.

If you selected 'FS0:' in the install, double click the FS0 icon in the Sys:Devs/DosDrivers to mount the drive or enter the command:

Mount FS0:

MultiFileSystem Users

After reboot, you can enter the following commands to format a disk from floppy.device:

(if disk is already formatted from floppy.device)
Format drive DF0: name x <quick> <noicons>

(safe method to any disk formatting from floppy.device)
Format drive DF0: name x <quick> <noicons> fs=DOS\5

From cli, you should not use
OFS/FFS/INTL/NOINTL/DIRCACHE/NODIRCACHE
options because MFS will change the filesystem to DOS\0.

From WorkBench, you must select filesystem DOS\5 and
FFS/DIRCACHE options.

1.6 hints and tips

Hints And Tips

- Old track formats are not supported.
- 'Avail flush' command removes the device from memory if it is closed.
- You cannot use hd disks in dd mode.
- Evaluation version puts alert messages periodically, if you want to see the alerts in vga mode, you can use `aminet/disk/misc/Orpsw2.lha`.

1.7 programing info

Programing Info

- `AbortIO()` function returns `IOERR_NOCMD`.
 - `ETD_XXX`, `TD_RAWREAD`, `TD_RAWWRITE` commands are not supported.
 - `DiskChange` interrupt works for all devices.
 - A private `FastFileSystem` structure will be patched for removable flag.
 - A private `trackdisk` structure will be patched to using cylinder 80/81.
 - `TD_REMOVE` command is supported but should not be used.
 - You must call `TD_GETGEOMETRY` whenever disk inserted.
 - Do not forget to update before `TD_MOTOR-off` command.
 - `TD_FORMAT` command additionally updates & clears buffers but not verifies.
 - `CMD_UPDATE` and `CMD_WRITE` commands verify the written track.
 - Sector checksum & track number will be checked in read op.
 - No drive clicks.
 - Retry count is one (for read/write/update operations).
 - There are two track buffers (lower and upper sides of current cylinder).
 - Normally track buffers are not affected by disk changes, but when density is changed (dd to hd or hd to dd) buffers will be cleared.
 - `FastFileSystem` will call `CMD_UPDATE` and `CMD_CLEAR` commands whenever disk inserted or removed (if it is mounted).
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When removed and buffers were not updated disk-light will blink and buffers will be cleared.

1.8 registration

Registration

The price of registered version is US\$30. Send the payment and email the following lines (do not send mail).

Name:
Address:
Email address:
Amiga system (type, boards, etc.):

Payment types: Postal money order
International bank check
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Name: Orhan Dagistanli
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