

cdxNetLaunch

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Chapter 1

cdxNetLaunch

1.1 cdxNetLaunch ©1996 Hans Bühler, Codex Design Software

·C·O·D·E·X· ·D·E·S·I·G·N· ·S·O·F·T·W·A·R·E·
proudly presents:

cdxNetLaunch V1.0
the automatic AmiTCP and Sana2.device control program

I strongly recommend to read the complete guide. For people who do not love reading guides, a quick guide is been included. However, please do read the configuration chapter, too !!!!

cdxNetLaunch isn't freeware, it is (in this version) ...
cardware
!!

cdxNetLaunch documentation:

Introduction

Installation

Configuration

Usage

Preferences

How to get rid of it

QUICK GUIDE

Additional software\$^1\$:

The application manager

The status program

AmiTCP/IP guide

Further information:

Copyrights & disclaimer

Thanks & regards

Author

\$^1\$: These are planned and not available yet. Sorry, it's a ↩
beta ... ;-)

Please read the documentation before you send any requests to the author.
Bugreports and ideas how to improve this program are always welcome.

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Hans Bühler

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1.2 Some kind of an index

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1.3 Introduction

FOR WHAT DO I NEED cdxNetLaunch ?

At first: You need
 AmiTCP/IP V4.1
 or higher and a
 sana2.device
 (network

device) to use this program.

If you don't have these already installed, it won't make sense to talk any further ;-), so go for these programs immediately.

On the other hand, if you already know AmiTCP/IP, you surely know that each time you want to play around with the internet, you have to start it by executing the "startnet" script. Moreover, if you want to go offline, you have to use the "offline" program etc.

There are - of course - thousands of programs which will give you nice buttons which will start these programs for you, but that is not enough !

I think, that AmiTCP should start automatically if you are going to use any program that needs it. Additionally, I think that it isn't worth paying the phone bill when a program doesn't really need your computer being connected to another one. I think, that the program should go online if it needs to do so and go offline afterwards when it has done its job.

Unfortunately, AmiTCP/IP doesn't offer such features.

Here is where cdxNetLaunch comes into effect.

- * It will automatically start/stop AmiTCP and go on-/offline for you !
- * No more "startnet" !
- * Go offline after transmission is been done !
- * Widely configurable to fit the strangest needs !!!!!!!

If you would like that, continue installing cdxNetLaunch !

EXAMPLE:

Well, it seems you didn't understood what I meant. Okay, here's an example:

Imagine that you want to use "mftp" ©1995-96 Michael Neuweiler.

Normal procedure:	with cdxNetLaunch:
open CLI & type startnet or	--
click on any button which will	
execute "startnet".	
AmiTCP is ready AND you're online	--
although this isn't necessary for	
now !	
you start mftp	you start mftp
	* AmiTCP will be loaded automatically.
	You won't go online.
you start a transmission	You start a transmission
	* cdxNetLaunch goes online for you
	(if the remote it isn't a local host)
your transmission is done	your transmission is done.
* you're staying online	* after a certain time (definable)
	cdxNetLaunch notes that there isn't
	any reason to stay online anymore
	and goes offline for you.
your are hungry and go into the	you are hungry and go into the
kitchen	kitchen
you come back after 1 hour	you come back after 2 hours
you see that you're still online	you see that you aren't online
and think of the phone bill...	anymore.
	* "all right", you think
you start another transmission	you start another transmission
	* cdxNetLaunch goes online for you
you end your transmission and	you end your transmission and
terminate mftp	terminate mftp
* you're still online !	* cdxNetLaunch goes offline and
	closes AmiTCP.
You stop AmiTCP.	--
* You are offline.	

All right ? Of course you can define every action cdxNetLaunch does for you, you can disable parts of its functions and lots of stuff !

Okay, let's have a look at the
Installation
chapter !

1.4 Installation / Requirements

REQUIREMENTS:

First of all, you have to install
 AmiTCP/IP
 . If you haven't done that,
 yet, please do it now !

It is very important that AmiTCP is correctly installed. Please even note that configuring cdxNetLaunch expects you to know several details of your configuration of AmiTCP and your sana2 device. Therefore please first install AmiTCP and your sana2 device and then we can continue to talk~;^)

Requirements:

cdxNetLaunch needs Kickstart V37 (2.04) or higher to run.

cdxNetLaunch needs the following Amiga libraries:

- utility.library
- asl.library
- amigaguide.library
- icon.library
- commodity.library

and these public domain libraries (included in the archive):

- gadtoolsbox.library
 - nofrag.library
- they'll be installed automatically by using the installation ←
 script !

These will be used if found (included in the archive):

- reqtools.library

INSTALLATION:

Use the installation script !

It will install cdxNetLaunch to your system. Then, when you start it the first time, it will automatically say that no configuration is been found and will allow you to start the
 configuration program
 .

You may even start cdxNetLaunch after installation by command to do so.

Please read the

configuration chapter

if you want to know something about

how to configurate cdxNetLaunch. You may also use the help buttons provided on each (major) requester you might faced to.

1.5 How to configurate cdxNetLaunch

CONFIGURING cdxNetLaunch:

Please read this page even if you don't like reading guides !

Well, cdxNetLaunch of course needs some very special information about your system: It needs to know which sana2.device you use to go online and which serial.device is used to contact the modem/network adapter.

The configuration program will generate some scripts that will be executed in order to go on-/offline or to start/stop AmiTCP. These scripts will be generated mainly from your startnet script.

Therefore this requester will always appear if you changed your startnet script.

If you didn't changed your interface nor your serial.device, just click at okay to let the configuration program copy your changes.

All these things will be requested by the main configuration window:

```

+-----+
|·| cdxNetLaunch: Configuration | |
+-----+
|                               |
| Your modem configuration:     |
|                               |
| Modem interface: [.....] [  |
|   Change                               |
|   ] |                                 |
|   Serial device: [.....][.] [  |
|   Change                               |
|   ] |                                 |
| AmiTCP/IP DOS-device: [.....] |
|                               |
| ----- |
|                               |
|           [ Okay ] [ Undo ] [ Help ] [Cancel] |
|                               |
+-----+

```

Before you continue, please check the entries Modem interface and Serial device. These fields are very important for cdxNetLaunch:

Modem interface:

Here you should read the name of your modem interface. This is the interface which describes your sana2.device to AmiTCP/IP, such as the ppp.device or the rcslip.device. This device is meant to control your modem, e.g. it establishes a connection to your service provider. cdxNetLaunch will enter here the interface it found in your startnet script, but you have to change this if your startnet script doesn't go online automatically. If it does

so, you can leave the entry as it is.
 To change this value, click at the
 change
 button to the
 right hand side !

Serial device:

This field says which serial.device your sana2.device is using to access your modem. The difference is that the sana2.device is the software used to talk to another computer and the serial.device is the interface dealing with your hardware itself.

Please check the name and the unit. In most cases, the default "DEVS:serial.device" with unit 0 will work until you have a better serial.device or a multiseria card etc. You'd know about such things then, I guess.

To change this value, click at the
 change
 button to the
 right hand side !

The field AmiTCP/IP DOS-device just says which DOS assign you've configurated for AmiTCP. Since cdxNetLaunch finds that out by itself, you may just be happy that it is correct or contact the

author
 if not...;-)

Undo: Restore your old values (if some).

Help: This page

Okay: Accept the new values.
 Please note that the configuration utility will verify your data (this is necessary, if you'd changed your AmiTCP configuration and cdxNetLaunch needs to be re-configurated). Therefore, some errors might occur. I hope stuff will explain itself, then.

Cancel: Cancel, if possible ;-)

CLOSE GADGET: Same as Cancel.
 If cancel isn't available (because cdxNetLaunch doesn't have a proper configuration), you can select this to abort the configuration process (the cancel gadget would be disabled, then).
 However, if you close the window and cancelling isn't available you abort cdxNetLaunch !

1.6 Select you modem interface...

SELECTING A MODEM INTERFACE (sana2.device):

Using this requester you can select the
 sana2.device
 interface (see
 appropriate chapters in the AmiTCP/IP documentation) which you are using to

control your modem.

The list will automatically be generated from the AmiTCP:db/interfaces list of AmiTCP.

```

+-----+
| | cdxNetLaunch: Modem interface ... | |
+-----+
|
| Select you modem interface (sana2.device) |
|
|                Interfaces:                |
| +-----+ +-----+ |
| |                                     |#| |
| | List of interfaces...                |#| |
| |                                     |#| |
| |                                     | | |
| |                                     | | |
| |                                     | | |
| |                                     +-+ |
| |                                     |^| |
| |                                     +-+ |
| |                                     |v| |
| +-----+ +-----+ |
|
| Device: [.....] Unit: [...] |
|-----|
|
| [ Okay ] [ Undo ] [ Help ] [ Cancel ] |
|-----+

```

Interfaces:

Please select the interface to your modem from this list. Double-Click to select & leave requester. The Device information will tell you which software device and which Unit of this the interface corresponds to. NOTE: This list will automatically be updated if you change your AmiTCP:db/interfaces file while the configuration program is running. This means that you might add interfaces to the interface file in order to make them available to cdxNetLaunch...

Okay: Accept the new values.

Undo: Restore your old values (if some).

Help: This page

Cancel: Cancel ;-)

CLOSE GADGET: Same as Cancel.

1.7 Select your serial.device...

SELECTING A SERIAL.DEVICE AND UNIT:

Use the following requester to select your serial.device which controls your modem hardware.

Please note that the full path of the serial.device is required for cdxNetLaunch !

You may not need this requester if you are using a standard Amiga configuration.

These information is mainly used to determine whether you are online.

You may disable this feature by using the

Preferences/Configuration/No online checks

menu entry from the
main window
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```

+-----+
| | cdxNetLaunch: Modem serial device | |
+-----+
|                                     |
| Your configuration:                 |
|   Serial device: [DEVS:serial.device....] [Get] |
|           Unit: [0..] [Default] |
| ----- |
| [ Okay ] [ Undo ] [ Help ] [ Cancel ] |
|                                     |
+-----+

```

Serial device:

The path and filename of your serial.device.
Use the get button to open a file-requester.

Unit:

Unit of serial.device to check.

Default:

Sets serial device to "DEVS:serial.device" and unit to 0.

Okay:

Accept the new values.

Undo:

Restore your old values (if some).

Help:

This page

Cancel:

Cancel ;-)

CLOSE GADGET: Same as Cancel.

1.8 The scripts used by cdxNetLaunch

SOME SCRIPTS TO WORK:

cdxNetLaunch will generate its own scripts to take appropriate actions. These scripts will be saved to PREFSDIR:scripts/#?.bat where PREFSDIR is the preferences directory of cdxNetLaunch defined in its tooltypes.

These scripts will be needed (and generated by the configuration program):

```
startnet.bat  like AmiTCP:bin/startnet, but will not go online (that means
              it won't bootpconfig your modem interface).
stopnet.bat   simply executes AmiTCP:bin/stopnet to stop AmiTCP.
              Will even go offline for you.
online.bat    bootpconfigurates your modem interface, i.e. it will tell
              AmiTCP that this interface is now ready to work.
offline.bat   goes offline for you.
```

When these scripts are executed, a the i/o stream you defined will be opened and the script output will be written there. If you notice that anything goes wrong at all, enter the I/O stream

```
CON:0/0/400/100/title/AUTO/WAIT
      ^^^ this will say that the window won't
          be closed until you clicked the close-
          gadget.
          Therefore you may read what went wrong.
```

Please note that the line

```
Path SYS:RexxC SYS:System SYS:Utilities SYS:Commodities AmiTCP: AmiTCP:bin ADD
will be
```

added to the scripts by default. If your paths to AmiTCP: or ARexx are different, please edit this by modifying the

```
INITCMD tooltype
```

.

1.9 How to use cdxNetLaunch command/new application window

INSTRUCTIONS OF USE:

cdxNetLaunch V1.0 has two important requesters which may appear. Here is the guide how to use them:

The first one is the

```
command
```

```
window. You can open it using the hotkey you
```

defined in the tooltypes of cdxNetLaunch. This window allows you to directly command cdxNetLaunch to start/stop AmiTCP or to go off-/online. Additionally, you can use it to change whether you want to quit AmiTCP if it is possible or whether you want to go offline if cdxNetLaunch finds out that you could.

Moreover, you can modify the preferences settings of cdxNetLaunch by using the Preferences menu.

The

```
new application
```

```
window on the other hand appears when cdxNetLaunch
```

finds a new application program that wants to use AmiTCP/IP. Using it you can define what kind of program that it and what you want to do if this

program closes its line (whether you automatically want to go offline or not).

Using the command window

Using the new application window

The preferences requesters

HOW TO QUIT:

Open the

command

window and select Quit from the project menu.

Or start Exchange and remove cdxNetLaunch.

1.10 Using the command window

THE COMMAND WINDOW:

You can open this command window pressing the CX_HOTKEY defined in the tooltypes of cdxNetLaunch. You may even use the Exchange program to "open interface".

It will look like:

```

+-----+
| | cdxNetLaunch          | | |
+-----+
|                               |
| [Start AmiTCP]  [Stop AmiTCP ] |
|                               |
| [  Online   ]  [  Offline   ] |
|                               |
+-----+

```

Gadgets:

Start AmiTCP: This button will cause to start AmiTCP.

Stop AmiTCP: This button might be used to stop AmiTCP.
This is only possible if no more applications are using AmiTCP/IP.

Online: Use it to go online.
This is of course only possible if AmiTCP/IP is been started before.

Offline: Click here to go offline.
Possible only if AmiTCP/IP is active, you are online and no more applications need your machine to be online.

CLOSE GADGET: Will "Hide" the window, i.e. it will close the window but not terminate cdxNetLaunch.

Additionally, some menus are available in this window:

The project menu:

Documentation...:

Loads this guide.

If cdxNetLaunch isn't able to find this file, it opens a requester which you should use to locate it.

About...: Just guess ;^)

Hide: Will close the window; cdxNetLaunch will keep running.

Quit...: Attempt to quit cdxNetLaunch.

There are several reasons why this could fail; the program will inform you about that.

The preferences menu:

Automatic operations:

Adjust time delays...:

Opens a requester which allows you to modify \leftrightarrow the time delays. cdxNetLaunch will wait a certain time before it stops AmiTCP or goes offline.

Never close AmiTCP/IP:

If checked, cdxNetLaunch will never automatically stop AmiTCP. That is useful if you are using a network basing on AmiTCP/IP.

Never go offline:

If checked, cdxNetLaunch will never automatically go offline. You may want to use this option if you are testing new software or stuff.

IO window(s):

Define command IO...:

Opens a requester which allows you to modify \leftrightarrow the output window for the commands cdxNetLaunch executes for you (startnet, stopnet, online, offline).

Reports...:

Opens/closes the report window.

This won't be part of the final version.

Commodity settings:

Define hotkey...:

Opens a requester which allows you to change the \leftrightarrow hotkey used to open the command window of cdxNetLaunch (CX_HOTKEY).

Start with window:

If checked, cdxNetLaunch will open the command window when it starts up (CX_POPUP).

Disabled:

If checked, cdxNetLaunch won't have a look for any further applications that you're running.

Note that I recommend to never use this option since it could bring much trouble to cdxNetLaunch !
Might be invoked by Exchange/Disable, too.

Configuration:**Configuration....:**

Runs the configuration program of cdxNetLaunch. This requester will even appear if you modify your AmiTCP:bin/startnet script.

No online checks:

This buttons says cdxNetLaunch not to check whether you are online.

This might be necessary if cdxNetLaunch shows you are online but you are obviously not (try re-configuring your serial.device, first !): You are not online but the command window rejects to go online (gadget disabled).

Supervise startnet:

Says that cdxNetLaunch should not automatically open the configuration window if you modified you AmiTCP:bin/startnet script. In general, you'd modify this script to change your AmiTCP configuration. Since it is very important for cdxNetLaunch to be installed correctly, you should leave that on.

No date checks:

Normally, cdxNetLaunch compares the date of its configuration and of the startnet script in order to find out whether you changed your AmiTCP configuration. On the other hand, some may not have a battery clock thus it won't be very useful here ;-)

Save preferences:

Save all changes.

1.11 The new application window

THE NEW APPLICATION WINDOW:

This window appears if a previously unknown application is attempting to use AmiTCP/IP. This requester will allow you to define what kind of application it is.

```

+-----+-----+-----+
| cdxNetLaunch: User message          | |
+-----+-----+-----+
|                                     |
| Introduce new AmiTCP/IP application: |
|                                     |
| ----- |
|                                     |
| Name/ID: [name of new application   ] |

```



```

|
| [x] Application                [x] TCP: device |
| [x] Go offline after connection is finished |
|
| ----- |
|
|           [Okay]   [Help]   [Skip] |
|
| -----+

```

The most important checkbox is the Application checkbox. If you check this, it means that the program described in the Name/ID box is not an AmiTCP or sana2.device program.

In this manner "is an AmiTCP or sana2 program" means that it is part of AmiTCP or used to control the sana2 device. The "bootpconfig" program for example is an AmiTCP program because it is needed to go online. On the other hand, "ping" or "telnet" are not AmiTCP programs but applications because they'll make use of AmiTCP and are not necessary to use AmiTCP.

Gadgets:

Name/ID: This field is the (internal) name of the program that is new to cdxNetLaunch.

Application: Checking that box means that the program is an application which is not necessary for AmiTCP/IP or your sana2.device. Internally non-application programs are not supervised. I.e. the program described won't start/stop AmiTCP or force to go off-/online. Additionally, cdxNetLaunch expects that program to be unloaded when AmiTCP is been stopped.

Go offline after connection is finished:

[for applications only]

Checking that box means that you want your modem to go offline if the program did its work and doesn't need your modem to stay online.

Please note that programs like YAM or AWeb will not permanently use the AmiTCP stack or the line. That means that cdxNetLaunch can't find out whether it would be nice to go offline / stop AmiTCP if the program closes its AmiTCP access. Note that cdxNetLaunch won't go offline immediately but after a certain time delay

.

If you don't understand what I try to say, see an example

.

TCP: device: [for non-applications only]

Do only check this button if the Name/ID field matches your TCP: device. Normally, you will define that device in the configuration but some might use another device which matches the TCP: device. I recommend to check this checkbox only if the window opens with that box is already

checked since cdxNetLaunch will in most cases itself find out whether it is the TCP: device or not !

- Okay: Accepts the upper settings and saves them (recommended).
- Help: This page.
- Skip: You may click at this button if you don't want to save any settings for the new program. It will be assumed to be an application, then.

Please note that cdxNetLaunch will - in most cases - set the correct values by itself. If you are not sure about the type of the program, please simply leave it as it is !

1.12 Example when to use 'Go offline after connection is finished

Example 1: AWeb doesn't like this option

Imagine you are using AWeb and you selected "Go offline after connection is finished".

You now start to download any web-page.

AWeb spawns a second process which opens AmiTCP (=> cdxNetLaunch starts AmiTCP) and then tries to establish a connection to the server (=> cdxNetLaunch goes online).

Now, if the page is downloaded, the AWeb sub-process closes the connection to the server. cdxNetLaunch now thinks that AWeb has done its job and goes offline and then stops AmiTCP (after the delays defined flew by).

You see: If you now click on any link on the web-page, cdxNetLaunch will again load AmiTCP, go online etc.

In such a case it might be more comfortable if the line remains connected and AmiTCP isn't needed to be loaded everytime you click at a link.

Therefore I'd advise to un-check the "Go offline after connection is finished" checkbox here.

Example 2: telnet does like it

Another example is telnet: You disable the "Go offline..." option.

You start telnet (=> AmiTCP will be loaded), get your connection (=>~you're going online) and play around. Then you logout, and telnet closes the connection and finishes its work with AmiTCP.

You will now remain connected because you didn't said that you want to go offline automatically after the job has been done.

In such a case it would be the best to select the "Go offline..." option !

1.13 The preferences requesters

USING THE PREFERENCES REQUESTERS:

There are several requesters which allow you to modify certain options of cdxNetLaunch. You can open them by choosing the matching menu item from the command window.

Standard settings:

Function delays

Command IO window

Commodity hotkey

Configuration\$^1\$:

Configure cdxNetLaunch

\$^1\$: I guess that - if you once configured cdxNetLaunch - you won't need to ←

make use of these stuff anymore ;^>

1.14 Define function delays...

DEFINE FUNCTION DELAYS:

This requester will appear if you select Adjust time delays... from the Preferences/Automatic Operations menu

```

+-----+
| | cdxNetLaunch: Adjust timer delays | | |
+-----+
|
| Auto close AmiTCP after... | [ Undo ] | | | |
| | | | | [ Help ] |
| A: [.....«O».....] 0 min | | |
| B: [.....«O».....] 20 sec | | |
| [x] Never | | |
|-----+
|
| Auto go offline after... | | |
| D: [.....«O».....] 0 min | [ Okay ] |
| E: [.....«O».....] 20 sec | [ Cancel ] |
| [x] Never | | |
+-----+

```

Auto close AmiTCP after...:

Scrollbars (min/sec):

Use these two bars to edit the delay for the stopnet command:

If cdxNetLaunch recognizes that the last application which used AmiTCP/IP has finished its work, cdxNetLaunch will wait this time delay before it will really quit AmiTCP/IP. This is included because it is very silly if you quit one network related program and start another afterwards. Without this delay time, between this stop first/start next AmiTCP would be stopped and immediately run again. The minimum value is 1 second.

Never:

If you check this, cdxNetLaunch will never automatically stop AmiTCP.

Auto go offline after...:

Scrollbars (min/sec):

Use these two bars to edit the delay for the offline command:

If cdxNetLaunch recognizes that the last application which needed you to be connected has finished its connection, cdxNetLaunch will wait this time delay before it will really goes offline.

This feature is been added because some programs like AWeb don't permanently use the line, but do much accesses from different processes: You load a WWW-page. The page is ready, but now AWeb starts to load the pictures. If there isn't any time delay, cdxNetLaunch would go offline between the end of the transmission of the page and the start of the transmission of the picture(s).

Try it, if you don't know what I'm talking off ;')

The minimum value is 1 second.

Never:

If you check this, cdxNetLaunch will never automatically go offline.

Undo: Restore your old values.

Help: This page

Okay: Accept the new values.
Remember to select the Preferences/Save preferences from the

command window
menu to save your changes !

Cancel: Cancel ; -)

CLOSE GADGET: Same as Cancel.

1.15 Define output window for function commands...

DEFINE OUTPUT WINDOW:

This requester will appear if you select Define command IO... from the Preferences/IO window(s)

menu

.

```

+-----+
| | cdxNetLaunch: Command I/O window | | |
+-----+
|
| Send system output to:
|
| Stream: [.abcdefg.....] [Test]
|
| -----
|
| [ Okay ] [ Undo ] [ Help ] [ Cancel ]
|
+-----+
    
```

Stream: This is the output stream definition where cdxNetLaunch will send the output from the scripts to.

This stream will be opened as an old file, therefore it isn't possible to use a file here. Use any window definition (CON:x/y/wid/hi/title/AUTO/CLOSE/WAIT etc.) or a NIL: entry for no output.

Test: Using this button you can test whether cdxNetLaunch is able to open your stream or not.

Okay: Accept the new values. Remember to select the Preferences/Save preferences from the command window menu to save your changes !

Undo: Restore your old values.

Help: This page

Cancel: Cancel ;-)

CLOSE GADGET: Same as Cancel.

1.16 Define hotkey to open command window...

DEFINE NEW HOTKEY:

This requester will appear if you select Define hotkey... from the Preferences/Commodity settings menu

```

+-----+
| | cdxNetLaunch: Command I/O window | | |
+-----+
|
| Open/close command window by:
|
    
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| Hotkey: [.abcdefg.....] |
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| [ Okay ] [ Undo ] [ Help ] [ Cancel ] |
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Hotkey: Enter a string describing the key-sequence which should open/close the cdxNetLaunch command window. You'll see and hear a display beep if your input isn't a valid

commodities hotkey

.

Okay: Accept the new values. Remember to select the Preferences/Save preferences from the

command window

menu to save your changes !

Undo: Restore your old values.

Help: This page

Cancel: Cancel ;-)

CLOSE GADGET: Same as Cancel.

1.17 How to kill cdxNetLaunch if you don't like it !

THINGS WENT WRONG ?

Of course I didn't added this page because I think you would need these information. Indeed, I hope that you like and use my little program.

On the other hand I myself hate programs (like MUI) which are quite difficult to remove from my lovely harddrive. I think that a good program should be easily removable if a user - for what reason ever - doesn't need or like it anymore.

Procedere:

Okay, if you found too much bugs... please write me a mail , first !

- 1) Delete the complete directory where cdxNetLaunch stored its data to. Look at the PREFSDIR tooltype to find it, if you don't know anymore.
- 2) Delete the executable.
- 3) Delete this guide.
- 4) Delete gadtoolsbox.library, if you are sure no other program makes use of it.

Done.

Bye-bye.... ;0

1.18 Quick guide into cdxNetLaunch

QUICK GUIDE:

- Stop AmiTCP/IP (not really necessary, but better at all).
- Install cdxNetLaunch by starting the installation script !
- Run cdxNetLaunch from where you placed it:
- Configuration window opens;
 - configure
 - now:
 - At Modem interface you select the AmiTCP/IP interface your are using to go online.
 - At Serial device you select the serial.device and -unit this interface is using to access your modem. - Start cdxNetLaunch.
 - Press okay.
- Run any application that needs AmiTCP....
- Enjoy ;-)

1.19 The preferences program

This program isn't available yet.

1.20 The cdxNetLaunch status program

This program isn't available yet.

1.21 ©-stuff & disclaimer

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All requesters of cdxNetLaunch have been designed using the GadToolsBox
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will resolve various conflicts in the output of GTB.

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This version of cdxNetLaunch is
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have a documentation ready for your production). Of course naming
this program as being used even includes that you name its author

(me~;-)

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1.22 What is cardware ?

CARDWARE

The

author

of this program expects you to send a postcard to him if you
are using this piece of software continuously !

No more actions !

Please do so !

I like postcars from wherever ! - very much !!!!!!!!!!!

1.23 What's a sana2.device ?

sana2.device

A sana2.device is a "program" which can establish connections to other computers via a local net or via the telephone line (modem).

A sana2.device related to cdxNetLaunch is always a device that you are normally using to establish a connection to another computer (i.e. a provider).

I myself prefer the "ppp.device" ©1994,1995 Holger Kruse which will make a ppp connection to your internet provider, but you may choose any device you like. There are several sana2.devices available in the aminet.

Normally, you would store such a device in DEVS:networks/ !

1.24 Commodity.library hotkeys

HOW TO DEFINE A HOTKEY:

A hotkey is a sequence of several keys which leads into any reaction by your computer i.e. a program which controls this key.

Amiga hotkeys are now - since Version 2.0 of the AmigaOS - expressed using a standardized notation.

A hotkey-definition always consists of one normal key and several qualifiers.

Normal keys are for example: a,b,c,d,e,f...,!,?,\$^1\$,
F1,F2,ESC,RETURN,SPACE,
UP,DOWN,HELP,TAB etc.
(every printable key)

Qualifiers are: shift, lshift\$^1\$, rshift\$^1\$,
alt, lalt, ralt,
control, ctrl,
lamiga, ramiga,
capslock

(\$^1\$=shift stands for both (one of the two shift keys), rshift for the right key and lshift for the left one).

If you now want to define a hotkey string, you can mix up the qualifiers and add one of the normal keys.

Examples:

lshift r

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lalt rshift x
lalt X           [note that this means lalt+shift+x]
ctrl ESC

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Invalid examples:

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lshift           [no normal key]
ctrl x a         [more than one normal key]
ctrl x shift     [qualifier past normal key]

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1.25 Tooltypes of icon

TOOLTYPES:

These tooltypes will mainly be of no interest for you since they can be changed using the appropriate menu commands from the command window

However, some internal stuff is stored here to allow you to circumvent problems with rather strange configurations of AmiTCP/IP.

Standard commodity tooltypes:

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DONOTWAIT       say workbench to continue booting when loading cdxNetLaunch
CX_PRI          commodity priority

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Again some of these (menu Preferences/Commodity settings/~):

```

CX_HOTKEY       hotkey to open main window
CX_POPUP        open main window when started

```

Configuration (menu Preferences/Configuration/Configuration):

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SERIALDEVICE    name of serial.device (full path)
SERDEVUNIT      unit
IFACE           name of modem interface
S2DEVICE        associated sana2.device
S2DEVICEUNIT    its unit
DOSTCPDEVICE    name of AmiTCP DOS device

```

Configuration preferences (menu Preferences/Configuration/~):

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NOSANA2CHECK    don't check whether you are online
CHECKDATES      compare date of my scripts & AmiTCP:bin/startnet;
                disable if you don't have a battery backed up clock.
NOTIFYSTARTNET  disable if you don't want to automatically open the
                configuration window when you change AmiTCP:bin/startnet

```

Delay values (menu Preferences/Automatic operations/~):

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DELAY_QUITTCP   time to wait before stopnet
DELAY_OFFLINE   time to wait before offline
NEVER_QUITTCP   ;-)
NEVER_OFFLINE   ;-)

```

Some internal variables (be careful !!!):

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ID_CMDTCPSTART name of program that initializes AmiTCP/IP;
                 cdxNetLaunch will deadlock if this doesn't match !
                 (default AmiTCP:bin/login)
ID_STARTNET     full name of startnet file (AmiTCP:bin/startnet)
ID_SYSPROGDIR   path to AmiTCP commands (AmiTCP:bin)
```

Script output (menu Preferences/IO window(s)/Define command IO):

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CMDOUTPUT       send script output here
```

General stuff:

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PREFSDIR        where cdxNetLaunch saves data to
AMIGAGUIDEFILE  where the guide is (requester will open if not found)
REFRESH_DELAY   delay to refresh main window gadgets.
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Additional:

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DISABLED        don't do anything on/off
REPORTS         report window
INITCMD         see
                 scripts
                 .
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1.26 AmiTCP/IP from NSDi - copyright & distribution

WHAT IS AMITCP

AmiTCP/IP the most used TCP/IP stack that is available for the Amiga. The TCP/IP standard (Transfer Control Protocol; Internet Protocol) is needed to make a connection to other computers, networks or the internet itself. You need such a stack if you want to access the internet ! Further information on AmiTCP/IP and TCP/IP itself can be found in the AmiTCP documentation.

WHERE TO GET AMITCP

AmiTCP/IP is commercial software, but it is released as shareware in order to make you able to try and evaluate it. A copy of the shareware archive can be found on any aminet ftp-server (directory comm/tcp) or on several CD-ROMs having been released. The original, licensed software package including the software, documentation etc. can be purchased from (nearly) every Amiga software distributor around.

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1.27 Hall of fame

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1.28 Have a chat with me.

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