

Categorizing MP3s and creating playlists

DJ Training

Depending on their current mood, music fans may fancy a bit of rock, or some easy listening pop. An MP3 player with a GTK-based graphical interface selects tracks to match your mood, creates a playlist, and plays the tracks. The Perl Object Environment keeps everything running smoothly.

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Every large collection of MP3s ripped from CDs has undreamt of treasures slumbering in its depths. A computer-aided selector can dig those hidden treasures out from among thousands of MP3 files, allowing for amazing compilations based on simple criteria.

The Perl script we will be looking at in this month's column, *rateplay*, plays the user a selection of tracks in random order. The user then rates the tracks according to two criteria: the energize factor, and the schmoop factor. The energize factor describes how lively a track is, and schmoop how laid back. On a scale from one to five, "Thunderstruck" by AC/DC might have an energize factor of five and a schmoop factor of one. "Don't Know Why" by Norah Jones would have an energize factor of one and a schmoop factor of five.

Whenever a user rates a track, the path to the song and both factors are stored in a database. After collecting a number of evaluations the script can create and play a playlist in response to a request such as "play a few fast tracks, but don't scare my girlfriend off".

GUI-based Interface

Figure 1 shows the script in action. Music fans just need to select acceptable

energize and schmoop factors in the two upper button bars to play tracks they have already rated. Clicking on *Play Rated* creates a playlist using songs with matching ratings from the database, and goes on to play the list in random order.

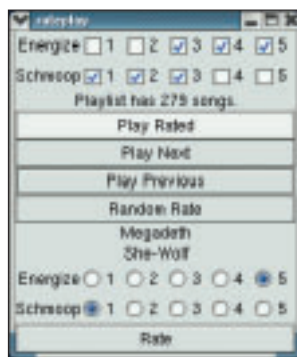


Figure 1: Rateplay playing songs with energize levels between three and five and schmoop levels one to three. The current track is a heavy metal song with an energize level of five and a schmoop value of one.

You can select *Play Next* and *Play Previous* to jump to the next track or back to the previous track.

To rate new tracks, users simply click the *Random Rate* button. Rateplay will then create a playlist of previously unrated songs and play the list. While this is happening, users can set the levels for each track using the button bar at the bottom of the window. You can assign only one energize and one schmoop level per track. Clicking on *Rate* stores the values in the database and tells Rateplay to move on to the next file.

By Twos and Threes

Rateplay uses several Perl modules. In addition to the popular POE and GTK modules [2] for a smooth GUI-based interface, we will be using the Musicus [3] command line player by Robert Muth, a C++ program based on the dynamic libraries of the Xmms player.

The *POE::Component::Player::Musicus* module (this is abbreviated to *PoCo::Player::Musicus* in the following sections) by Curtis Hawthorne integrates the MP3 player into the POE environment, allowing the GUI to remote-control the player smoothly.

Rateplay uses the object-oriented *Class::DBI* abstraction to store ratings, using an SQLite database under the hood (see [4]). SQLite can generate a professional database in a single file. Of course the DBI series at CPAN has a Perl module to match: *DBD::SQLite*. In fact, SQLite is a plain old SQL database. To discover how many rated songs Rateplay has in its *rated_songs* table, users can run the command line *sqlite* tool to access the *rp.dat* database file created by Rateplay, and issue the following SQL command:

```
$ sqlite rp.dat
SQLite version 2.8.12
Enter ".help" for instructions
sqlite> select count(*) from rated_songs;
887
```

In our example, there are 887 rated songs. Enough tracks to generate amazingly cool playlists!

Rateplay in Detail

The Rateplay program is quite extensive. Listing 1 shows the source code, which you can also download from [1]. The configuration lines, 10 through 13, define the path to the database file (using the *\$DB_NAME* variable to do so), and the

directory (in `$SONG_DIR`), in which the `find` program will search recursively for files ending in `.mp3`.

The global arrays, `@PLAY_ENERG` and `@PLAY_SCHMO`, contain the values for the song selection checkboxes at the top of the GUI. In contrast to this, the scalar values of `$RATE_ENERG` and `$RATE_SCHMO` reflect the state of the radio buttons at the bottom of the window, and expect values between one and five for the energize and schmoop factors. The `@RATE_ENERG_BUTTONS` and `@RATE_SCHMO_BUTTONS` arrays contain the radio button objects as array elements, allowing the GUI to set the values stored in the database for a track.

The `Rateplay::DBI` class in line 33 ff. inherits from `Class::DBI` and defines the object-oriented abstraction of the SQLite database. If the database does not exist (in SQLite, this is indicated by the fact that the corresponding file does not exist), the SQL code in line 47 ff. creates the database file, and the `rated_songs` table with the columns `path` (path to MP3 file), `energize` (for the energize level) and `schmoop` (schmoop level). The `execute` method in line 55 actually makes it happen.

Pulling in `Class::DBI::AbstractSearch` in line 37 adds extended queries to what `Class::DBI` already provides for a class derived from it. Later on, this will be put to action via `Rateplay::Song->search_where()`, which executes a SQL statement with a `WHERE` clause. The `Rateplay::Song` class in line 59 ff. defines the OO abstraction of the table `rated_songs`. Isn't it nice to have the rest of the script 100% free of any SQL statements?

Using POE to Control the MP3 Player

The main program is contained in the `main` package starting in line 70. It defines the POE session, which runs the GUI and the player. The array referenced by the `package_states` parameter creates a number of functions which are defined later in the script and called by POE events with the same names. For example, whenever the main program calls the player's `getpos()` method, the player responds with the position in the current track by sending a `getpos` event to the main POE session. The `package_states`

reference just mentioned tells the main session to jump to the `getpos()` function defined in line 96 ff. in this case. Figure 2 shows you what the complete session looks like and which discrete states it consists of.

A similar thing happens with `getinfocurr`. According to the `PoCo::Player::Musicus` documentation, if someone calls the player object's `getinfocurr()` method, it will call back into the main session, passing artist, track name, and some MP3 tag information on the current track. Lines 111 and 113 in the callback function `getinfocurr` update the artist and track name display in the GUI.

Whenever the player needs to play a new track, `Rateplay` sends a `song` event to the `main` session, like the one shown in line 415. The `song` event in turn has been defined to call the `song()` function shown in lines 118 ff.. It grabs the path to the MP3 file as POE's first argument `ARG0`, then stops the player and immediately points it at the new MP3 file to be played.

The `scan_mp3s` event is triggered in line 91 shortly after the system launch; it tells the script to jump to the `scan_mp3s` function defined in line 128. `scan_mp3s` calls `retrieve_all()` to retrieve all rated songs from the database and stores them as keys in the global hash `%RATED`. It then goes on to spawn a child process in a `PoCo::Child` session; the child process calls the external `find` command to discover MP3 files on the hard disk. When `find` discovers a file, it writes the path to `stdout`.

The session then follows the event definition in line 139 (and the `package_states` definition in line 79) and jumps to the `mp3_stdout()` function, which is defined in line 444 and following. It appends the filename to the global array `@MP3S`, if the user has not yet rated the file. Line 455 updates the status display for the current search. As described in [2], POE uses unusual parameter constants. For example, `ARG0` is a constant holding the index for the position of the first parameter in `@_` passed to the

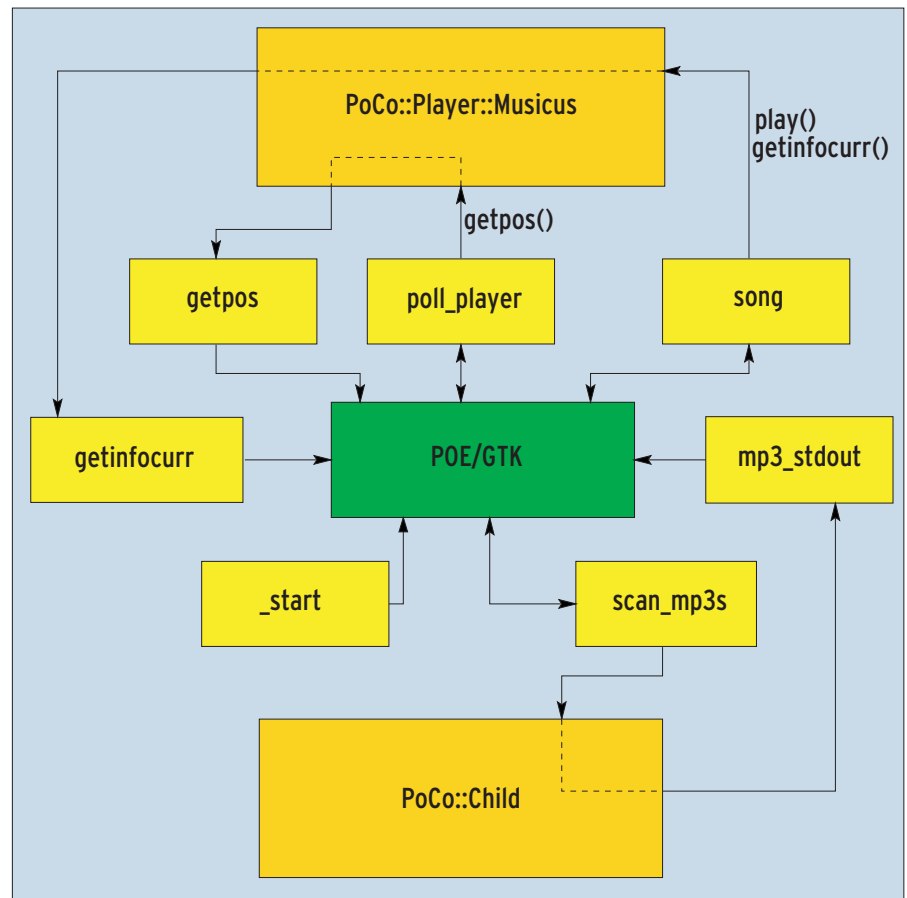


Figure 2: POE makes the program jump between various states. The `PoCo` processes run in parallel. Double arrows indicate temporary transitions to states interacting with separated processes.

event. When `PoCo::Child` enters the callback, the first parameter is a reference to a hash that contains the stdout line grabbed by the child process. Lines 451 and 453 show how to dig it up under the hash's key out.

Unfortunately, `PoCo::Player::Musicus` does not trigger an event when the player finishes playing a track. This means that `Rateplay` has to query the player at regular intervals, using `getpos()` to discover the current position within the track. If a negative value is returned, this indicates that `Musicus` is idling, ready to play new songs. To catch this, the anonymous function defined in line 83 and following implements periodic

polling. It is bound to the `poll_player` event and sends a `getpos()` request to `Musicus`. In response to the request, the `Musicus` POE component sends a `getpos` event back to the `main` session. To close the polling loop, line 85 tells the kernel to trigger the `poll_player` event again one second later. The `getpos()` callback function defined in line 96 ff. updates the global `$POS` variable which stores an integer value for the current position within the current song.

If the previous value of `$POS` was positive, and the current value is negative, it is safe to assume that the player has just finished playing a track, and thus needs to call the `next_in_playlist()` function

defined in line 390. This function extracts the first element in the global array `@PLAYLIST`, moves the element to the end of the list, and passes it to the player for output in line 415. In contrast, if `next_in_playlist()` is passed a parameter holding a true value, the script will go backwards and play the previous song instead.

If the result is the same song, due to quickly skipping back and forward, line 408 moves one step further. For each new song that is played, `song()` calls the function defined in line 420 and following, `update_rating()`. It uses the `search()` method to check the database for a song rating, and set the radio buttons accord-

Listing 1: `rateplay`

```

001 #!/usr/bin/perl
002 #####
003 # rateplay -Rate & Play MP3s
004 # Mike Schilli, 2004
005 # (m@perlmeister.com)
006 #####
007 use strict;
008 use warnings;
009
010 our $DB_NAME = "/data/rp.dat";
011 our $SONG_DIR=
012     "/ms1/SONGS/pods";
013 our $FIND = "/usr/bin/find";
014
015 use Gtk;
016 use POE;
017 use Class::DBI;
018 use
019 POE::Component::Player::Musicus;
020 use
021 Algorithm::Numerical::Shuffle
022 qw(shuffle);
023
024 my (%GUI, %RATED, $TAG,
025     $SONG, @PLAYLIST, @MP3S);
026 my @PLAY_ENERG =
027     ( 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 );
028 my @PLAY_SCHMO =
029     ( 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 );
030 my $RATE_ENERG = 0;
031 my $RATE_SCHMO = 0;
032 my @RATE_ENERG_BUTTONS = ();
033 my @RATE_SCHMO_BUTTONS = ();
034 #####
035 package Rateplay::DBI;
036 use base q(Class::DBI);
037 use
038 Class::DBI::AbstractSearch;
039
040 __PACKAGE__->set_db(
041     'Main',
042     "dbi:SQLite:$main::DB_NAME",
043     'root', '');
044
045 if ( !-e "$main::DB_NAME" ) {
046     __PACKAGE__->set_sql(
047         create => q(
048             CREATE TABLE rated_songs (
049                 path VARCHAR(256)
050                 PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
051                 energize INT,
052                 schmoop INT
053             ));
054     __PACKAGE__->sql_create()
055     ->execute();
056 }
057
058 #####
059 package Rateplay::Song;
060 #####
061 use base q(Rateplay::DBI);
062
063 __PACKAGE__->table(
064     'rated_songs');
065 __PACKAGE__->columns( All =>
066     qw(path energize schmoop)
067 );
068
069 #####
070 package main;
071
072 my $PLAYER =
073 POE::Component::Player::Musicus-
074 >new();
075
076 POE::Session->create(
077     package_states => [
078         "main" => [
079             qw(getpos getinfocurr
080                 mp3_stdout song
081                 scan_mp3s) ]],
082
083     inline_states => {
084         _start => \&my_gtk_init,
085         poll_player => sub {
086             $PLAYER->getpos();
087             $poe_kernel->delay(
088                 'poll_player', 1 );
089             });
090     };
091
092 $poe_kernel->post( "main",
093     "poll_player" );
094
095 $poe_kernel->post( "main",
096     "scan_mp3s" );
097
098 $poe_kernel->run();
099
100 #####
101 sub getpos {
102     #####
103     our $POS;
104     next_in_playlist()
105     if defined $POS
106     and $POS > 0
107     and $_[ARG0] < 0;
108     $POS = $_[ARG0];
109 }
110
111 #####
112 sub getinfocurr {
113     #####
114     $TAG = $_[ARG0];
115     $GUI{artist}
116     ->set( $TAG->{artist} );

```

ing to the energize and schmoop values found. If no ratings are present, it displays the smallest possible values. Thus, while playing a rated list, the user sees a rating for each song, and can correct it if needed. To do so, users simply set the desired values and click on *Rate*.

Good Taste

The function *select_songs()* defined in line 369 ff. selects tracks and composes a playlist based on the checkbox values for energize and schmoop set in the GUI. The *@PLAY_ENERG* and *@PLAY_SCHMO* arrays each contain five elements. If the corresponding checkbox at the top of the GUI is checked, the ele-

ment has a value of 1; if not, it has a value of 0. Let's assume that *@PLAY_ENERG* contains *(0,0,1,1,0)*; this indicates that checkboxes number three and four are checked, and the others are not.

Line 371 extracts the desired energize values from the array and stores them in *@energ*. The call to *search_where()* in line 382 adds an additional (and invalid) value of zero, to prevent *search_where()* from acting up if the *@energ* array is empty. *search_where()* uses a logical AND to link both criteria for energize and schmoop; this is equivalent to *WHERE a AND b* in SQL. In contrast to this, the element values in the arrays

passed to the function are ORed. Thus, the following code will sort songs to reflect the user's taste:

```
Rateplay::Song->search_where({
    energize=> [2, 3, 0],
    schmoop => [1, 0]});
```

The corresponding SQL request looks like this:

```
SELECT * from rated_songs
WHERE energize = 2 OR
      energize = 3 OR
      energize = 0
AND   schmoop = 1 OR
      schmoop = 0
```

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```
113 $GUI{title}
114   ->set( $TAG->{title} );
115 }
116 #####
117 sub song {
118 #####
119 #####
120 $SONG = $_[ARGO];
121 $PLAYER->stop();
122 $PLAYER->play($SONG);
123 $PLAYER->getinfocurr();
124 update_rating($SONG);
125 }
126 #####
127 #####
128 sub scan_mp3s {
129 #####
130 %RATED =
131   map { $_->path() => 1 }
132     Rateplay::Song
133     ->retrieve_all();
134
135 my $comp =
136   POE::Component::Child
137   ->new(
138     events => {
139       'stdout' => 'mp3_stdout'
140     });
141
142 $comp->run($FIND,
143           $SONG_DIR);
144 }
145 #####
146 sub add_label {
147 #####
148 my ($parent, $text,
149     @coords) = @_;
150
151     my $lbl= Gtk::Label->new();
152     $lbl->set_alignment(
153         0.5, 0.5);
154     $lbl->set($text);
155
156     if (ref $parent eq
157         "Gtk::Table") {
158         $parent->attach_defaults(
159             $lbl, @coords);
160     } else {
161         $parent->pack_start(
162             $lbl, 0, 0, 0);
163     }
164 }
165
166 return $lbl;
167 }
168 #####
169 #####
170 sub my_gtk_init {
171 #####
172 my @btns = (
173     "Play Rated", "Play Next",
174     "Play Previous",
175     "Random Rate"
176 );
177
178 $poe_kernel->alias_set(
179     'main');
180
181 $GUI{mw} =
182   Gtk::Window->new();
183 $GUI{mw}->set_default_size(
184     150, 200);
185
186 $GUI{vb} =
187   Gtk::VBox->new(0, 0);
188
189 $GUI{$_} =
190   Gtk::Button->new($_)
191     for @btns;
192
193 my $tbl =
194   Gtk::Table->new(2, 6);
195 $GUI{vb}->pack_start(
196     $tbl, 1, 1, 0);
197
198 add_label($tbl,
199     'Energize', 0, 1, 0, 1);
200 add_buttons(
201     $tbl, sub {
202         $PLAY_ENERG[$_][1] ^= 1;
203     }, 0);
204 add_label($tbl, 'Schmoop',
205     0, 1, 1, 2 );
206 add_buttons(
207     $tbl, sub {
208         $PLAY_SCHMO[$_][1] ^= 1;
209     }, 1);
210
211 # Status on top of buttons
212 $GUI{status} =
213   add_label($GUI{vb}, "");
214
215 # Pack buttons
216 $GUI{vb}->pack_start(
217     $GUI{$_}, 0, 0, 0)
218     for @btns;
219
220 for (qw(artist title)) {
221     $GUI{$_} = add_label(
222         $GUI{vb}, "");
223 }
224
225 $GUI{rate_table} =
226   Gtk::Table->new(2, 6);
227 $GUI{vb}->pack_start(
228     $GUI{rate_table}, 0, 0, 0);
229
```

The `sort { rand < 0.5 }` statement in line 379 before the `map()` command, mixes up the results before sending them to the player – after all, users want a little variety rather than the same playing order every time.

The `process_rating()` function in line 355 and following uses `Class::DBI`'s `find_or_create()` method to search for an entry matching the specified MP3 path in the database. It returns the object it finds. If it fails to find any matching object, `find_or_create()` simply creates a new entry. The `energize()` and `schmoop()` methods set the corresponding database fields, and `update()` then writes the results back to the database.

Appearances

The `my_gtk_init()` function defined in line 170 and following sets up the GTK interface. All the GUI objects are stored under mnemonic names in a global hash called `%GUI`. This groups them nicely and ensures that they can be accessed globally. Some functions will need to refresh their graphical elements in a hurry in certain situations. As in [2], we again use two different types of GUI containers: that is `Gtk::VBox` and `Gtk::Table`, which require us to use different packing procedures (`pack_start()` and `attach_defaults()`).

`add_buttons()` in line 312 and following is called for both rows of checkboxes

in the top half of the GUI. The main program passes in a reference to a different callback function each time, which will be called when the user clicks the corresponding button. `Rateplay` defines the actions for mouse events in line 254 and following lines. The reaction to the `destroy` signal (which occurs if the user closes the application window), for example, is to call `Gtk->exit(0)` and kill the GUI.

The `Play Rated ($btns[0])` button triggers `select_songs()`, and uses `next_in_playlist()` to play the next song. `Play Next` and `Play Previous` skip forward and back, and `Random Rate ($btns[3])` calls the `shuffle` function from `Algorithm::Numeri-`

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```

230 add_label(                                269     });
231     $GUI{rate_table},                      270
232     'Energize', 0, 1, 0, 1);              271 # Pressing Play Next button
233 attach_radio_buttons(                    272 $GUI{ $btns[1] }
234     $GUI{rate_table}, sub {              273     ->signal_connect(
235         $RATE_ENERG = $_[1] +1;          274         'clicked', sub {
236     }, 0,                                  275         next_in_playlist();
237     \@RATE_ENERG_BUTTONS);                276     });
238 add_label(                                277
239     $GUI{rate_table},                      278 # Pressing "Play Previous"
240     'Schmoop', 0, 1, 1, 2);              279 $GUI{ $btns[2] }
241 attach_radio_buttons(                    280     ->signal_connect(
242     $GUI{rate_table}, sub {              281         'clicked', sub {
243         $RATE_SCHMO = $_[1] +1;          282         next_in_playlist(1);
244     }, 1,                                  283     });
245     \@RATE_SCHMO_BUTTONS);                284
246
247 my $rate =                                285 # Pressing "Random Rate"
248     Gtk::Button->new('Rate');             286 $GUI{ $btns[3] }
249 $GUI{vb}->pack_start(                     287     ->signal_connect(
250     $rate, 0, 0, 0);                      288         'clicked', sub {
251 $GUI{mw}->add($GUI{vb});                  289         @PLAYLIST =
252
253 # Destroying window                       290     shuffle @MP3S;
254 $GUI{mw}->signal_connect(                 291     $GUI{status}->set(
255     'destroy',                             292         "Random Rating "
256     sub { Gtk->exit(0) } );                293         . scalar @PLAYLIST
257
258 # Pressing Play Rated button              294         . " songs." );
259 $GUI{ $btns[0] }                          295     next_in_playlist();
260     ->signal_connect(                      296     });
261     'clicked', sub {                       297
262         @PLAYLIST =                        298 # Pressing "Rate" button
263         select_songs();                    299 $rate->signal_connect(
264         $GUI{status}->set(                 300         'clicked', sub {
265             "Playlist has "               301         return
266             . scalar @PLAYLIST            302         unless defined $TAG;
267             . " songs." );                303         process_rating();
268         next_in_playlist();                304         next_in_playlist();
                                           305     }
                                           306 );
                                           307
308     $GUI{mw}->show_all();                 308
309 }                                           309 }
310
311 #####                                     310
312 sub add_buttons {                          311 #####
313 #####                                     312 sub add_buttons {
314     my($table, $sub, $row)= @_;           313 #####
315
316     for (0 .. 4) {                          314     my($table, $sub, $row)= @_;
317         my $b =                               315
318             Gtk::CheckBox->new(               316     for (0 .. 4) {
319                 $_ + 1);                     317         my $b =
320         $b->signal_connect(                   318             Gtk::CheckBox->new(
321             clicked => $sub, $_);             319                 $_ + 1);
322         $table->attach_defaults(             320         $b->signal_connect(
323             $b, 1 + $_, 2 + $_,              321             clicked => $sub, $_);
324             0 + $row, 1 + $row );           322         $table->attach_defaults(
325     }                                         323             $b, 1 + $_, 2 + $_,
326 }                                           324             0 + $row, 1 + $row );
327
328 #####                                     325 }
329 sub attach_radio_buttons {                 326 }
330 #####                                     327
331 my ($table, $sub, $row,                   328 #####
332     $buttons) = @_;                          329 sub attach_radio_buttons {
333
334     my $group;                               330 #####
335
336     for (0 .. 4) {                          331 my ($table, $sub, $row,
337         my $btn =                             332     $buttons) = @_;
338             Gtk::RadioButton->new(           333
339                 $_ + 1,                       334     my $group;
340             defined $group                    335
341             ? $group : ());                  336     for (0 .. 4) {
342         $group = $btn;                       337         my $btn =
343         $btn->signal_connect(                 338             Gtk::RadioButton->new(
344             clicked => $sub, $_);           339                 $_ + 1,
345         push @$buttons, $btn;                340             defined $group
346         $table->attach_defaults(             341             ? $group : ());

```

cal::Shuffle to randomize the order of the non-rated MP3s stored in the global `@MP3S` array, so that the program can offer them to the user for rating one by one.

Finally, the callback function for the *Rate* button accesses the `$TAG` variable set in the *getinfocurr()*, which contains the MP3 tag for the song that is currently playing, and calls *process_rating()* to create a database entry for the song to store the selected radio button settings.

Installation

You need to install Xmms on your machine to allow Rateplay to work with the MP3 player. Having done so, users

can download the Musicus sources from [3], unpack them, and enter *make*. Then you need to copy the *musicus* binary to `/usr/bin/`.

The Perl modules *POE*, *PoCo::Player::Musicus*, are *Gtk* are available from CPAN. The article at [2] has a few tips if *Gtk* doesn't install right out of the box. Rateplay also needs the *DBI*, *DBD::SQLite*, *Class::DBI* *Class::DBI::AbstractSearch*, and *Algorithm::Numerical::Shuffle* modules. The CPAN shell should automatically resolve any dependencies that occur.

The Musicus and *POE::Component::Player::Musicus* developers are working hard on enhancing their projects. If the

current versions do not work, there are two tar archives at [5] which are guaranteed to work. ■

INFO

- [1] Listings for this article:
<http://www.linux-magazine.com/Magazine/Downloads/45/Perl>
- [2] Michael Schilli, "Winning Team Player":
Linux Magazine 05/04, p. 68
- [3] Musicus homepage:
<http://muth.org/Robert/Musicus>
- [4] SQLite: <http://sqlite.org>
- [5] Fallback tarballs for Musicus and PoCo::Player::Musicus:
<http://perlmeister.com/musicus>

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```

347     $btn, 1 + $_,
348     2 + $_, 0 + $row,
349     1 + $row
350 );
351 }
352 }
353
354 #####
355 sub process_rating {
356 #####
357     my $rec =
358         Rateplay::Song
359         ->find_or_create(
360             { path => $SONG } );
361
362     $rec->energize(
363         $RATE_ENERG);
364     $rec->schmoop($RATE_SCHMO);
365     $rec->update();
366 }
367
368 #####
369 sub select_songs {
370 #####
371     my @energ = grep {
372         $PLAY_ENERG[ $_ - 1 ]
373     } ( 1 .. @PLAY_ENERG );
374
375     my @schmo = grep {
376         $PLAY_SCHMO[ $_ - 1 ]
377     } ( 1 .. @PLAY_SCHMO );
378
379     return sort { rand > 0.5 }
380         map { $_->path() }
381         Rateplay::Song
382         ->search_where({
383             energize =>
384                 [ @energ, 0 ],
385             schmoop =>
386                 [ @schmo, 0 ]});
387 }
388
389 #####
390 sub next_in_playlist {
391 #####
392     my ($backward) = @_;
393
394     return
395         unless scalar @PLAYLIST;
396     my $path;
397
398     {
399         if ($backward) {
400             $path = pop @PLAYLIST;
401             unshift @PLAYLIST,
402                 $path;
403         } else {
404             $path =
405                 shift @PLAYLIST;
406             push @PLAYLIST, $path;
407         }
408         redo
409             if defined $SONG
410             and $SONG eq $path
411             and @PLAYLIST > 1;
412     }
413
414     $PLAYER->stop();
415     $poe_kernel->post('main',
416         'song', $path);
417 }
418
419 #####
420 sub update_rating {
421 #####
422     my ($path) = @_;
423
424     if(my ($song) =
425         Rateplay::Song->search(
426             path => $path)) {
427
428         my $e = $song->energize();
429         my $s = $song->schmoop();
430
431         $RATE_SCHMO_BUTTONS[$s-1]
432             ->activate();
433         $RATE_ENERG_BUTTONS[$e-1]
434             ->activate();
435     } else {
436         $RATE_SCHMO_BUTTONS[0]
437             ->activate();
438         $RATE_ENERG_BUTTONS[0]
439             ->activate();
440     }
441 }
442
443 #####
444 sub mp3_stdout {
445 #####
446     my ($self, $args) =
447         @_ [ ARGV .. $#_ ];
448
449     return
450         if exists
451             $RATED{ $args->{out} };
452
453     push @MP3S, $args->{out};
454
455     $GUI{status}->set(
456         scalar @MP3S . " songs" .
457             " ready for rating.");
458 }

```