

CS116 – Activity 7

Take a look at the following two functions:

```
def soundToFile(sound, fileName):
    file = open(fileName, "wt")
    for s in getSamples(sound):
        value = getSampleValue(s)
        file.write(str(value)+'\n')
    file.close()

def fileToSound(fileName):
    file = open(fileName, "rt")
    sound = makeEmptySound(50000)
    line = file.readline()
    index = 0
    while line <> "":
        setSampleValueAt(sound, index, int(line))
        index += 1
        line = file.readline()
    file.close()
    return sound
```

The first function takes a sound and a filename and writes out all the sound sample to the file. Try it out. Take a look at the contents of the file that was produced!

The second function can now take that text file of numeric values and make it into a sound object. Try it out.

Answer the following questions about the code:

1. In `soundToFile` what does the `'\n'` in the write accomplish?
2. In `fileToSound` why do we create an empty sound with 50000 samples? Could this be a problem?
3. Why do we have a `while` loop rather than a `for` loop? How does a `while` behave?