

Alchemist Live Product Release

Product Release: v2.0.0.50

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Supported Operating System(s): Linux 64-bit (Ubuntu 16.04)

System Components: GV Live (v2.0.0.50)

SAMLive_4U_Standard_32Core_2.0.tar (v2.0)

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New Features

- 1. The system clock can now be set via the GV Live Host RollCall template and can be configured to synchronise automatically with an NTP server.
- 2. The GV Live console application now shows the details of any licenses that have been added to the unit.
- 3. The GV Live Host now details the configuration and status of all the unit's network interfaces via RollCall logging.
- 4. The GV Live console application now captures extra system logging information in addition to the GV Live operational logs when the 'Retrieve Operational Logs' option is selected.
- 5. Improved the Alchemist Live algorithm for adaptive audio synchronisation, particularly targeted at better performance when processing audio test tones.
- 6. Alchemist Live now supports the pass-through and synchronisation of CEA-608 (Line 21) and CEA-708 Closed Captions (SMPTE 334 CDP).
- 7. Video and audio RTP interfaces have been added to Alchemist Live offering SMPTE 2110-20 and SMPTE 2110-30 support.
- 8. The installer package name has changed to reflect the re-branding from SAM Live to GV Live.
- 9. The GV Live console application has been improved to provide more information when upgrading a product.
- 10. A new 'Safe' Control Mode has been added to Alchemist Live that prevents settings that could disrupt the video and audio processing from being changed via the RollCall template.
- 11. Alchemist Live now monitors and logs any loss or reacquisition of its external reference which may have caused output video or audio disruption.
- 12. All GV Live agent types will now automatically select suitable network interfaces for primary and secondary RTP media interfaces prior to manual configuration override.
- 13. Alchemist Live now logs, via RollCall, its output state which will indicate 'WARN: Inp Loss' if no input is present and 'FAIL' if an error has occurred and the unit is no longer generating video.
- 14. The GV Live Host service now detects and verifies the hardware configuration of the unit to ensure that all PCIe devices are correctly inserted in a supported slot configuration.

- 1. Fixed a bug which prevented the setting of a static IP address for network interface eno1 via the GV Live Host RollCall template.
- 2. Removed the option to disable network interface eno1 from the GV Live Host RollCall template; eno1 must always be enabled for correct licensing operation.
- 3. Fixed a bug with the GV Live console application that caused it to fail if multiple USB drives were inserted when the 'Retrieve Operational Logs' option was selected.
- 4. Improved Alchemist Live SDI input standard detection to make it more robust; previously it was possible for a video standard change to be missed.
- 5. Corrected the Alchemist Live implementation of colour space conversion to/from BT.2020 colour space which was incorrect unless HDR conversion was enabled; the conversion is now always performed in linear light.
- 6. Fixed a bug that caused the HDR Soft Clip control to reset to its default value when an Alchemist Live agent was restarted.
- 7. Fixed an error in the Alchemist Live ARC control logic that prevented the return to a sensible preset state if the custom ARC mode was enabled on start-up but subsequently disabled.
- 8. Fixed a bug that caused a black line across the video output of Alchemist Live when down-converting from a quad-link input (UHD or 4K) to an SD 525 output.
- 9. Prevented the display of an erroneous error message on the GV Live console application when upgrading an agent type without SDI cards (for example Audio Live).
- 10. Fixed a bug in Alchemist Live that caused segmented frame (PsF) inputs to be incorrectly processed causing a mice-teething effect and an incorrect latency from input to output.

Alchemist Live v1.4.2.0 (17/01/19)

New Features

1. [NONE]

Bug Fixes

- 1. Fixed a critical bug with Alchemist Live that could trigger the SDI output to drop or repeat a frame at repeated intervals as regularly as every 3 to 4 minutes, causing picture and audio disturbance.
- 2. Corrected the setting of genlock H and V output timing for Alchemist Live when generating quad-link output standards.
- 3. Corrected the insertion of SMPTE 352 VPID information for Alchemist Live when generating quad-link output standards.

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Alchemist Live v1.4.0.12 (09/08/18)

New Features

1. [NONE]

- 1. Fixed an Alchemist Live bug that caused disturbance to all audio channels for 59.94Hz SDI outputs; this bug also caused a memory leak which resulted in the complete failure of the Alchemist Live after a number of days if left running whilst demonstrating the audio disturbance.
- 2. Corrected an audio-video alignment error for Alchemist Live: in previous releases, the audio lead the video by one field for interlaced output standards.
- 3. Fixed an Alchemist Live bug that corrupted output audio channel 16 incorrectly replacing it with a duplicate of channel 1.
- 4. Fixed a bug introduced in the 1.4.0.8 release that stopped the Console application from running until the unit's network interfaces had been configured.

Alchemist Live v1.4.0.8 (04/07/18)

New Features

- 1. SAM Live has been renamed GV Live.
- 2. To assist in the licensing process, the unit lock code is now displayed on the GV Live console output main menu.
- 3. Network interface configuration can now be performed via the GV Live Host RollCall template.
- 4. If GPU devices are installed, their temperature and fan speed can now be monitored via the GV Live Host.
- 5. Alchemist Live now includes support for quad-link 2SI format at its SDI inputs and outputs.
- 6. Alchemist Live now includes support for 1080p Level B at its SDI inputs and outputs.
- 7. Alchemist Live now offers a range of audio controls including channel routing, gain, global delay and test tone generation.
- 8. Alchemist Live now has a control to disable 'clean cut' processing.
- 9. Genlock timing controls have been added to Alchemist Live to allow the horizontal and vertical timing to be adjusted relative to the external reference.
- 10. Advanced controls for HDR conversion adjustment have now been added to Alchemist Live.
- 11. Alchemist Live now automatically measures input to output run-through and sympathetically corrects the video and audio to remove the need for frame synchronization at its SDI output.

- 1. Fixed a GV Live console bug that caused an error if an attempt to add a license was made with a USB drive that contained too many files.
- 2. Fixed a bug that caused Alchemist Live to incorrectly display the video transport as RFC 4175 after a RollCall saveset had been restored.

Alchemist Live v1.2.0.20 (15/03/18)

New Features

- 1. Alchemist Live conversion quality has been improved when frame rate converting small objects (for example, live football).
- 2. Linear enhancement controls have been added to Alchemist Live.
- 3. The license entitlement ID (EID) is now shown on the SAM Live Host template.

- 1. The 'START ALL' and 'STOP ALL' buttons on the SAM Live Host template are now greyed out when they do not offer a useful function (for example, 'STOP ALL' is not enabled if there are no running agents).
- 2. The 'Add New License' option on the SAM Live console now allows for license files with a .TXT file extension.
- 3. Fixed a bug that meant Alchemist Live SD up-conversion with frame rate conversion was incorrectly configured leading to repeated picture dropping.

Alchemist Live v1.2.0.14 (11/01/18)

New Features

1. First Release.

Bug Fixes

1. First Release.