DAPHNE LaserDisc

A LaserDisc video game is an arcade game that uses pre-recorded video (either live-action or animation) played from a LaserDisc. The first LaserDisc video game was Sega's Astron Belt released in 1983. The genre was popularized by Dragon's Lair released shortly after in the same year. The usage of LaserDiscs provided graphics close to an animated or live-action film which was vastly ahead of other arcade games at the time. However, with the drawback of limited interactivity compared to regular arcade games.

This system scrapes metadata for the daphne, arcade group(s) and loads the daphne set from the currently selected theme, if available.

Quick reference

- **Emulator:** DAPHNE/Hypseus
- **Folder:** /userdata/roms/daphne
- **Accepted ROM formats:** .daphne .squashfs

**BIOS**

No Daphne emulator in Batocera needs a BIOS file to run.

**ROMs**

Place your DAPHNE ROMs in /userdata/roms/daphne/.

The file structure consists of a directory with the ending .daphne and a corresponding .zip file in the folder roms:

```
roms
|-- daphne
  |-- dle21.daphne
    |-- dle21.commands (Optional extra command-line params!)
    |-- dle21.txt (Framefile)
    |-- lair.m2v
  (The folder below holds a laserdisc...".daphne"
tells emulationstation to add this to the menu,
and "dle21" tells daphne to use that game engine)
```

|    |    |-- lair.ogg
|    |
|    |                (All roms go into this roms folder)
|    +-- roms
|         +-- dle21.zip

Without the additional .zip file in the roms folder the games will be recognized by Batocera but will not be playable!

# Emulators

## DAPHNE/Hypseus

DAPHNE is the most famous emulator for LaserDisc arcade games. It supports more games than MAME. We use the Hypseus Singe, a fork of the original DAPHNE emulator.

### DAPHNE/Hypseus configuration

Standardized features available to all cores of this emulator: daphne.videomode, daphne.ratio, daphne.padtokeyboard

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<td><strong>BILINEAR FILTER</strong> daphne.bilinear_filter</td>
<td>⇒ On 0, Off 1.</td>
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<td><strong>BLEND SPRITES (SINGE)</strong> daphne.blend_sprites</td>
<td>Restore BLENDMODE outline on Singe sprites ⇒ Off 0, On 1.</td>
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<td><strong>OVERSIZE OVERLAY (SINGE)</strong> daphne.lightgun_hd</td>
<td>Use with Singe HD lightgun games ⇒ Off 0, On 1.</td>
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<td><strong>INVERT AXIS</strong> daphne.invert_axis</td>
<td>Invert joystick on flight games ⇒ Off 0, On 1.</td>
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### Command line parameters

In `roms/daphne/<game>.daphne/<game>.commands`, extra command line parameters can be define. For example, for Dragon's Lair in `roms/daphne/lair.daphne/lair.commands`:

```bash
lair.commands
-nocrc -noissues -nolog -noserversend -latency 950 -x 640 -y 480 -bank 1 00110111 -bank 0 10011000
```
Controls

Here are the default Daphne's controls shown on a Batocera Retropad:

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Troubleshooting

Further troubleshooting

For further troubleshooting, refer to the generic support pages.

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