Strings by Audacious are meanwhile all shown localized in the Qt interface. The translations of Qt itself are not included though. This can be noticed for example in context menus (lyricwiki-qt, scollbars) and menu items (CTRL).

In theory this should be easy to fix, but the attached patch has no influence.


Findings

- The translations must be loaded in the interface plugins, not in libaudqt.
- The time when they are loaded absolutely matters. Moving the code into QtIfacePlugin::init() for example does not work.
- Qt 5/6 ship several .qm files for the various modules (qt, qtbase, ...), loading only qt_{locale}.qm is not sufficient.

Questions

- Should we use QApplication, QCoreApplication or qApp for installTranslator()?  
- Why is it not possible to extract the code into a separate method?  
  I would like to add a method to libaudqt.h and call it in the plugins.  
  But strangely enough this did not work...

How to test

- Make sure to enable another locale (for example de_DE.UTF-8) in /etc/locale.gen  
- Run command locale-gen  
- Run Audacious with LC_ALL={locale} audacious

Things to check

- Menu items should show localized key accelerators (CTRL, Shift, ...)  
- Context menus should also be localized  
  - Lyrics: Right-click on text area  
  - Search tool: Right-click on search entry
#2 - January 18, 2021 04:09 - John Lindgren

Thank you for looking into this! I can spend some time before the 4.1 release to debug why calling the same code in libaudqt doesn't work.

Does setting LC_ALL also work for testing this on Windows (which was installed in US English) or is there a different method to change the language there?

#3 - January 18, 2021 12:08 - Thomas Lange

Does setting LC_ALL also work for testing this on Windows (which was installed in US English) or is there a different method to change the language there?

LC_ALL/LANG works only within the MSYS environment and only affects gettext, not Qt.

To change it for Qt use for example:

```cpp
// QLocale locale = QLocale::system();
QLocale locale = QLocale::German;
```

If testing on Arch Linux (IIRC you use it too), make sure to install the package qt5-translations.

#4 - January 22, 2021 22:12 - John Lindgren

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The time when they are loaded absolutely matters. Moving the code into QIfacePlugin::init() for example does not work.

I think the issue here is that the QTranslator uninstalls itself on destruction. Thus it worked to declare the QTranslator in run() but not init(), only because run() does not return until the application quits.

#5 - January 22, 2021 23:41 - John Lindgren
I pushed a modified version of your patch (to libaudqt) and also updated the Windows packaging script (merge.sh).
In Arch Linux I tested with LANG=de_DE.UTF-8, and in Windows I installed the German language pack and changed the display language in Settings.
In both cases, all elements of Audacious (including the file dialog) correctly showed up in German.

Thanks for the work on this!

#6 - January 22, 2021 23:56 - Thomas Lange

Sounds great, thanks to you too.

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