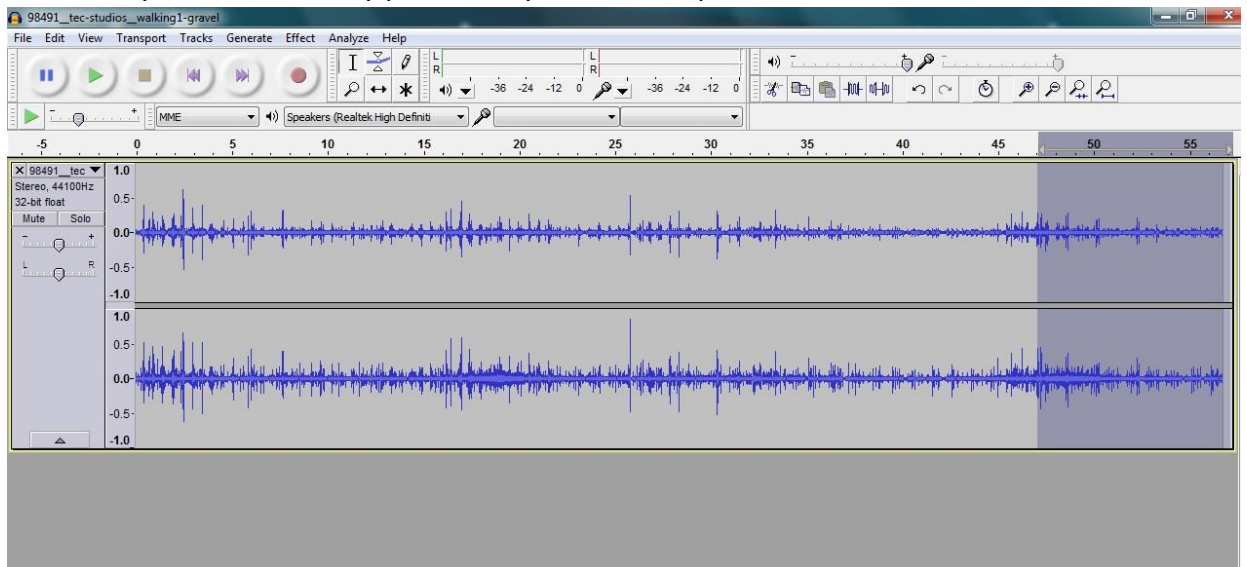


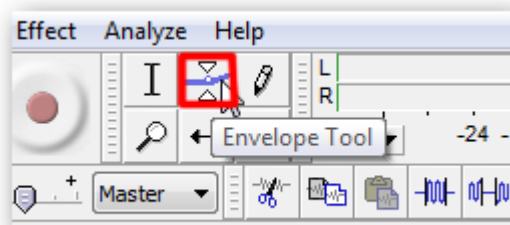
How to Fade Audio In and Out in Audacity

The purpose of this tutorial is to teach you how to fade the beginning or end of an audio clip so it slowly decreases or increases in volume. This is a professional and common technique to use so that your audio project does not start or end abruptly.

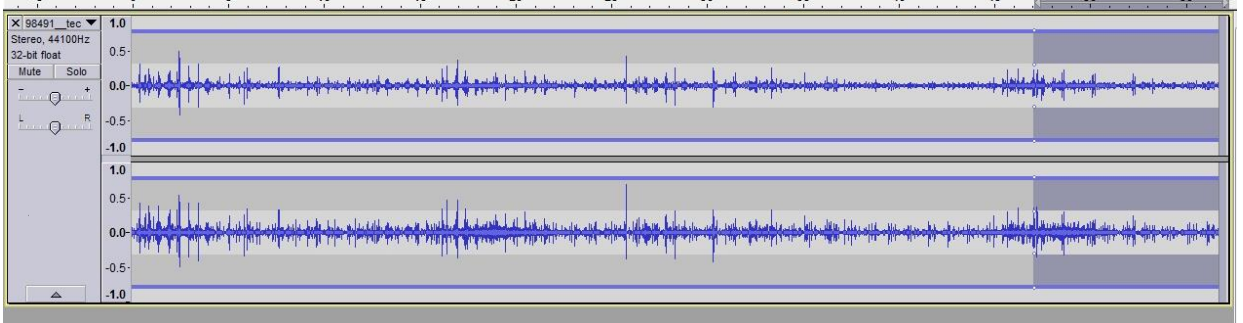
1. Open the program Audacity. Open an existing Audacity project or create a new one by importing an audio clip from your computer's files.
2. Select the audio track you want to edit. To do this, click anywhere on your track box and it will be selected.
3. Using your cursor, select the portion of the audio clip you want to fade in or out. It is most common to select portions at the beginning of your audio clip or the end. However, you can select any portion of your audio clip.



4. Click on the "Envelope" tool. The icon looks like this:

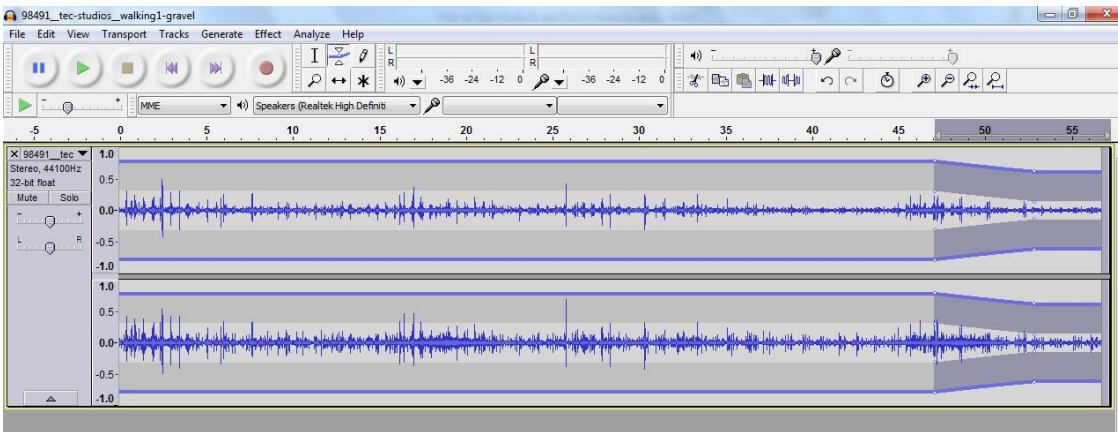


5. Click on the beginning of your highlighted selection. Your audio track will now appear like this:

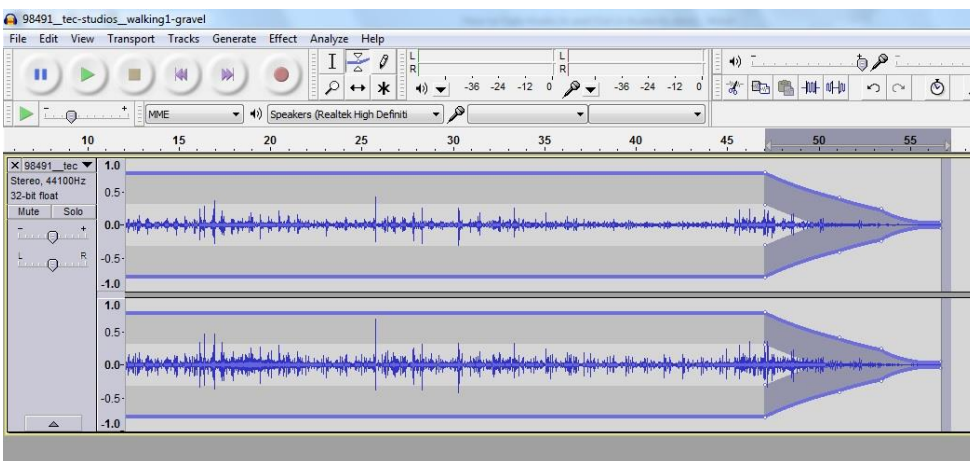


Your audio track is now considered a “key frame”. This means that the audio level your track was originally formatted in will be “locked” in. From here you can edit the volume further.

6. Click to the right of the first key frame to create a 2nd key frame, then drag down to reduce the volume level. (Drag upwards if you want to increase the volume). It should appear like this:



7. Continue repeating step 6 until there is no track left to decrease or increase the volume to.



8. Play through your audio track. If you would like to change any of the key frame positions, then feel free to drag them where you would like with your Envelope tool. Save your project.