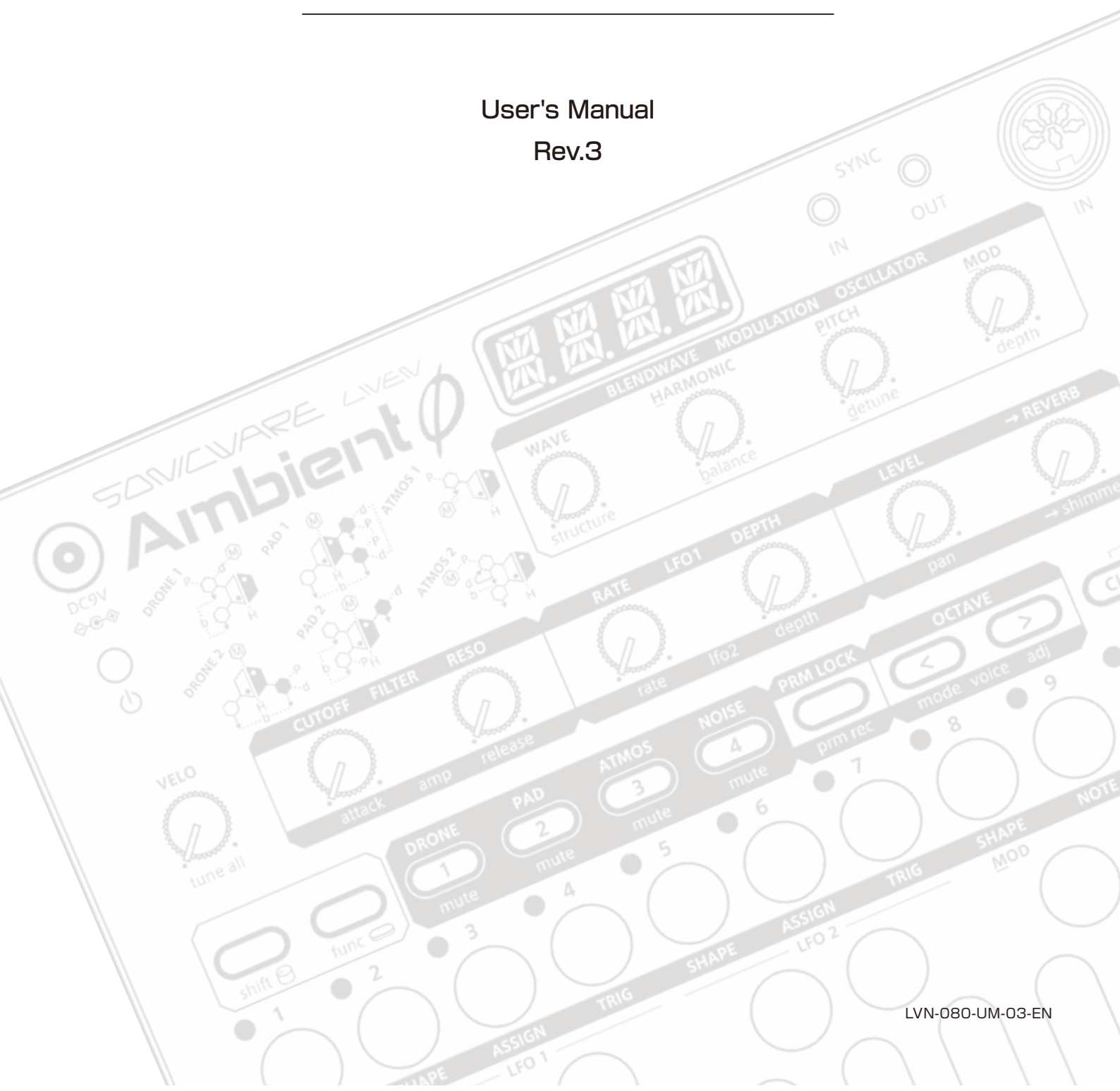


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# Introduction

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Thank you for purchasing a SONICWARE LIVEN Ambient Ø.

LIVEN Ambient Ø is an immersive ambient generator that 4 layers of tone and texture—Drone, Pad, Atmos, and Noise—merge to generate deep resonance and continuous transformation.

We hope you enjoy using it for a long time.

## Key features of the LIVEN Ambient Ø

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- 4 layers of tone and texture—Drone, Pad, Atmos, and Noise—merge to generate resonance and transformation.
- Newly developed synth-engine with 6 structures, designed to create undulating and fluctuating tones.
- The Noise layer processes 8-second stereo sampling loops with noise blending and pitch modulation.
- 9 types of lush Reverb with shimmer, plus 6 types of effects including Tape Delay and Stereo Chorus.
- Records performances and evolving tonal changes.

## Play On The Go: Portable, Built-in speaker, and Battery-powered

Leave your usual workspace and try using Ambient Ø in your living room or outdoors. As its evolving sounds mixes with the surrounding environmental noises, you are likely to experience genuine Ambient Music.

## Synchronize with all kinds of devices

Clock synchronization is possible with devices that have MIDI or SYNC connectors.

The audio SYNC function enables synchronization with Teenage Engineering Pocket Operator devices using the LINE jack.

In addition, clock synchronization signals can be bridged between different connectors. For example, MIDI clock can be generated from an external SYNC clock signal.

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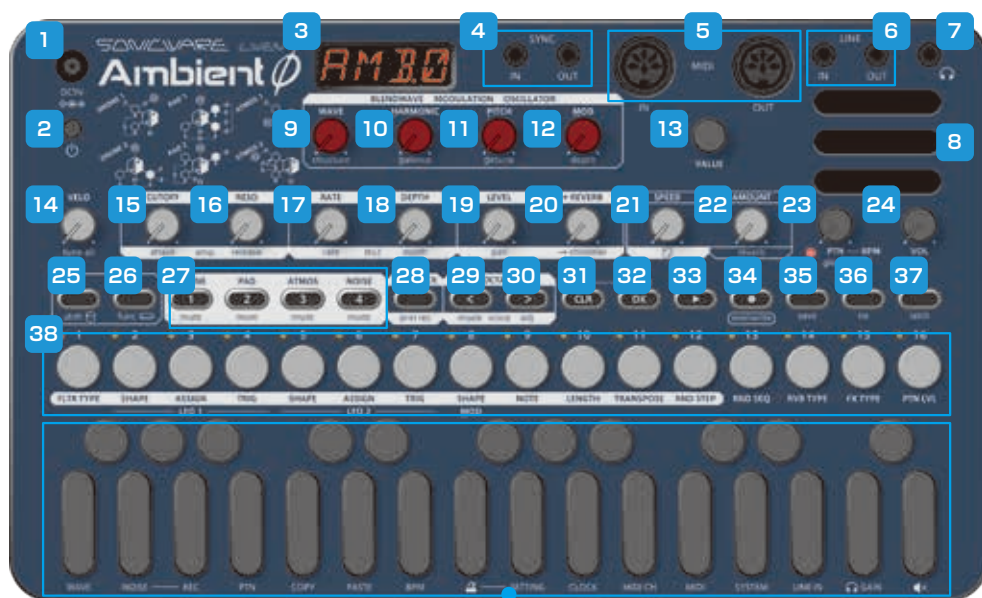
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# Names of parts



| Keyboard             |             |               |              |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| WAVE key             | NOISE key   | NOISE REC key | PTN key      |
| COPY key             | PASTE key   | BPM key       | METRO key    |
| METRO<br>SETTING key | CLOCK key   | MIDI CH key   | MIDI key     |
| SYSTEM key           | LINE IN key | GAIN key      | SPK MUTE key |

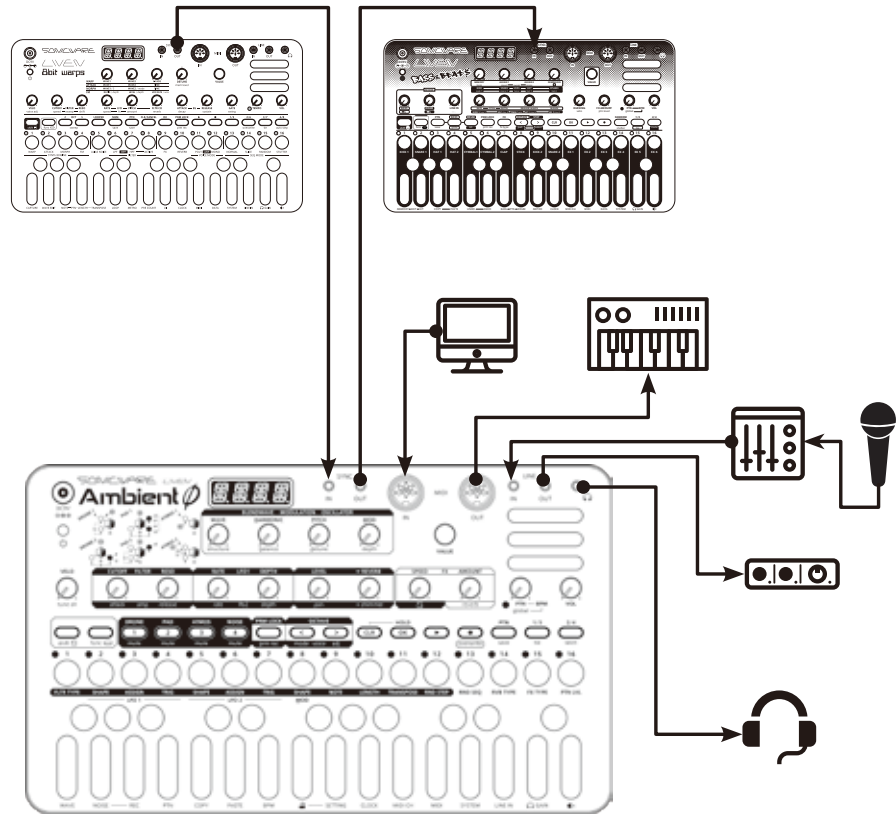


# Names of parts

|   |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| <b>1 : DC9V</b><br>Connect DC power supply.                       | <b>2 : POWER switch</b><br>Press and hold to power on and off.                              | <b>3 : Display</b>                                     | <b>4 : SYNC input/output</b><br>Input and Output for SYNC signals. |
| <b>5 : MIDI input/output</b><br>Input and Output for MIDI signal. | <b>6 : Line input/output</b><br>3.5mm stereo line input and stereo line level audio output. | <b>7 : Headphone jack</b><br>Stereo headphones output. | <b>8 : Speaker</b><br>Built-in speaker.                            |
| <b>9 : WAVE/structure knob</b>                                    | <b>10 : HARMONIC/balance knob</b>   | <b>11 : PITCH/detune knob</b>                          | <b>12 : MOD/depth knob</b>   |
| <b>13 : VALUE knob</b>  | <b>14 : VELO/all tune knob</b>  | <b>15 : CUTOFF/attack knob</b>                         | <b>16 : RESO/release knob</b>                                      |
| <b>17 : RATE/rate knob</b>  | <b>18 : DEPTH/depth knob</b>  | <b>19 : LEVEL/pan knob</b>                             | <b>20 : → REVERB/ → shimmer knob</b>                               |
| <b>21 : FX SPEED/dice knob</b>                                    | <b>22 : FX AMOUNT/reverb knob</b>   | <b>23 : PTN/global BPM knob</b>                        | <b>24 : VOL knob</b>   |
| <b>25 : Shift button</b>  | <b>26 : Function button</b>   | <b>27 : Layer button(1,2,3,4)</b>                      | <b>28 : PRM LOCK/prm rec button</b>                                |
| <b>29 : OCTAVE DOWN = voice mode</b>                              | <b>30 : OCTAVE UP = voice adj</b>   | <b>31 : CLR</b>  | <b>32 : OK = HOLD</b>  |
| <b>33 : PLAY</b>  | <b>34 : REC = overwrite</b>   | <b>35 : PTN = ptn save</b>                             | <b>36 : 1/3 = tie</b>  |
| <b>37 : 2/4 = latch</b>   | <b>38 : STEPS</b><br>Used to specify the step position of the sequence                      |  |  |
| <b>STEP1 = FLTR TYPE</b>  | <b>STEP2 = SHAPE(LFO1)</b>  | <b>STEP3 = ASSIGN(LFO1)</b>                            | <b>STEP4 = TRIG(LFO1)</b>  |
| <b>STEP5 = SHAPE(LFO2)</b>  | <b>STEP6 = ASSIGN(LFO2)</b>   | <b>STEP7 = TRIG(LFO2)</b>                              | <b>STEP8 = SHAPE(MOD)</b>  |
| <b>STEP9 = NOTE</b>   | <b>STEP10 = LENGTH</b>  | <b>STEP11 = TRANSPOSE</b>                              | <b>STEP12 = RND STEP</b>   |
| <b>STEP13 = RND SEQ</b>   | <b>STEP14 = RVB TYPE</b>  | <b>STEP15 = FX TYPE</b>                                | <b>STEP16 = PTN LVL</b>  |

# Connection example

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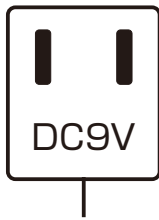


※ Use connection cables that are 3m or shorter.

# Starting up and shutting down

## Preparing a power supply

AC adapter (sold separately)



or

6 AA batteries



**Only use AC adapters that conform to the specifications. Using an AC adapter with different specifications could cause damage.**

### AC adapter specifications\*

Voltage : 9V output  
Current : 1A or higher  
Connector : EIAJ-03 compliant  
(1.7mm inner diameter, 4.75mm outer diameter)  
Polarity : center+

\*Equivalent to Korg Volca KA350 adapter

BT.LO will appear on the display if the remaining battery charge is low. Replace the batteries immediately.



When using nickel-metal hydride batteries or lithium batteries, change the battery setting. (→ P.103)

## Starting up

- 1 Press and hold the POWER switch until AMB.0 (LIVEN Ambient Ø) appears on the display.



## Turning the unit off

- 1 Press and hold the POWER switch until the display turns off.



**!** Recently made changes will be lost when the unit is turned off. Save the changes if necessary.

# Basic operations

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This section explains basic operations.

## Adjusting the overall volume

The volume from the speaker, headphones and the LINE OUT can be adjusted.



| Volume  |
|---|
| 0 - 127   |
| This can be adjusted from $-\infty$ to +6 dB with 0 dB as the middle value (63-64). |

## Turning on/off the speaker

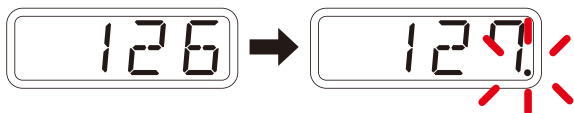
The built-in speaker can be turned off manually if you want to mute it without connecting headphones (when only using the LINE OUT, for example).



| Speaker |             |
|---------|-------------|
| MUTE    | Speaker off |
| SPK     | Speaker on  |

## About the Origin mark

The dot will be shown on the lower right corner of the display when the parameter value is the same as the value stored in the pattern.



- when the knob movement behavior is set to Latch (→ P.106), the dots on the display will be animated to show how much the knob position and parameter value differs to the left or right. The dots will appear to flow to the left when the parameter value is lower than the knob position and to the right when the value is higher than the position. The flow will be faster for higher values.

# Basic operations

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## Using the func button

Some Ambient Ø buttons have two functions.



In the example above, the secondary functions of the **PTN** and **14** buttons are “save” and “RVB TYPE” .

Pressing these buttons while pressing the **func** button will activate their secondary functions.

In this manual, operations while pressing the **func** button will be shown as follows.



## Using the shift button

Many Ambient Ø knobs have both **uppercase** and **lowercase** names.



Turning a knob alone will adjust the uppercase parameter.

Turning the knob while pressing the **shift** button will adjust the lowercase parameter.

In this manual, operations while pressing the **shift** button will be shown as follows.



## Using the shift button hold function

By pressing the **shift** button while pressing the **func** button, the **shift** button hold function can be activated. (The button lights orange.)

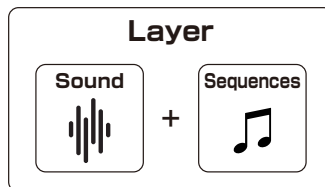
When the hold function is activated, lowercase parameters can be adjusted without pressing the **shift** button.

Press the **shift** button again to deactivate the hold function.

# Layers and Pattern Palettes

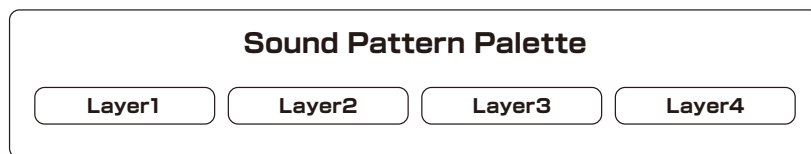
## Layer overview

The LIVEN Ambient Ø is an immersive ambient generator that has 4 - sound layers with a sequencer. **Layers** contain both **sound** settings and **sequences** (performance data). The 4 Layers of the LIVEN Ambient Ø can each have different sounds and individual sequences created for them.



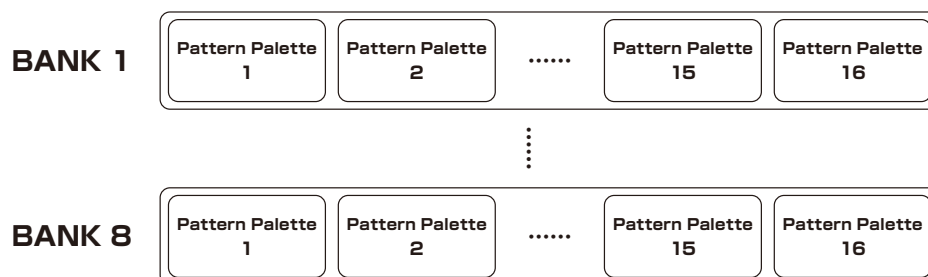
## Sound Pattern Palette overview

A **Pattern Palette** is a combination of the 4 Layers described above. With lengths of 1 - 512 bars, Pattern Palettes can be used as the smallest units in making songs.



## Pattern Palettes and banks

16 Pattern Palettes can be stored together in a single **bank**. The LIVEN Ambient Ø has 8 banks enabling 128 Pattern Palettes to be saved in total.



- BANK 1 - 4 contain preset Pattern Palettes. All preset Pattern Palettes contain sound settings and sequences. Following the instructions on the next page, try playing them.

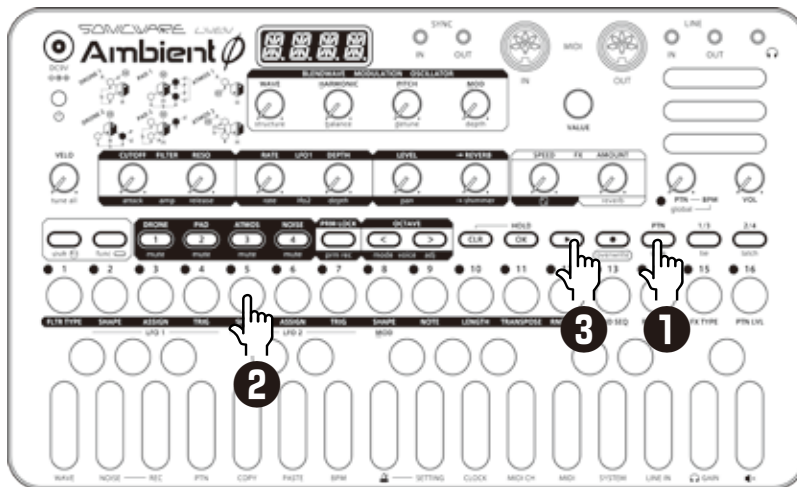
# Layers and Pattern Palettes

## Selecting Pattern Palettes

- 1 Press **PTN**.
- 2 Press **1** - **16**.  
→ The Pattern Palette is selected.  
(STEP1=Pattern Palette 1...  
STEP16=Pattern Palette 16)

## Playing Pattern Palettes

- 3 Press **▶**.  
Press it again to stop.  
Pressing **func** + **▶** button to stop with natural release.



## Selecting Pattern Palette 17 and higher

Press **OCTAVE** **<** **>** after procedure 1 to change the bank, enabling selection of Pattern Palette 17 and higher.






- If a different Pattern Palette is selected during Pattern Palette playback, it will be readied but will not start playing immediately. Playback will switch to the selected Pattern Palette after the playing Pattern Palette completes.
- After pressing **PTN**, **VALUE** can also be used to select Pattern Palette

# Layers and Pattern Palettes

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## Normal release and Natural release

When stopping pattern play back, Ambient Ø has two release modes.

|   |                 |  |
|---|-----------------|--|
|    | Normal release  | Voices and sequences on all layers are stopped immediately.  |
|  +  | Natural release | Only the sequence is stopped.<br>Voices on each layer will continue to play until their amp envelope release times finish. |

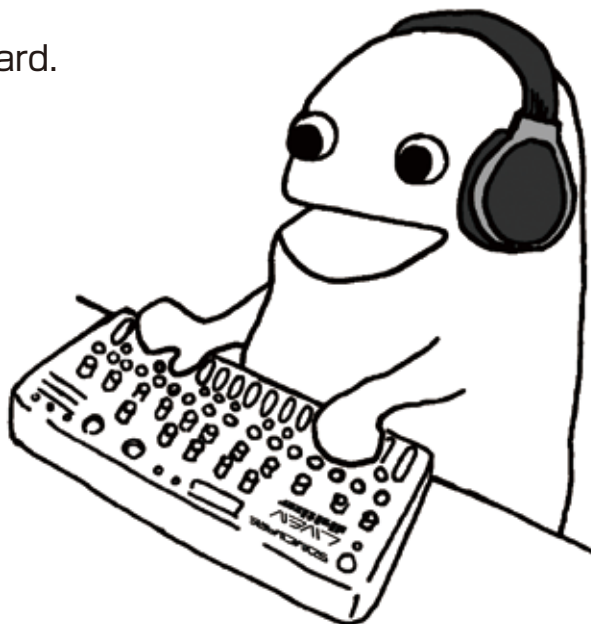


# Performing with the keyboard and voice modes

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## Performing

- 1 Play the keyboard.



## Performing with holding keyboard notes

- 1 Press **OK** + keys to hold them.



- Press the same key again to stop holding it.
  - Press **CLR** + **OK** to stop holding all keys in a selected layer.
  - Press **CLR** + **▶** to stop holding all keys at once in all layers.
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## Changing the velocity

The velocity value used when playing keys can be set.

  
VELO

| Velocity   |
|--|
| 0 - 127  |
| The higher the value, the louder the notes will be played. |

# Performing with the keyboard and voice modes

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## Changing tune all

This changes sounds of tune in all layers in real time.  
The texture of sound can be changed greatly.

 +  tune all

  
VALUE

| Tune all   |
|--|
| -1200 - 0 - 1200   |
| This can change the pitch -1OCT - +1OCT in 20 cent steps. The  VALUE knob makes adjustments 1 cent steps. |















# Performing with the keyboard and voice modes

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## Changing the octave range

1 Press **<** / **>**.

This lowers/raises the range by an octave.

|   |   |             |
|---|---|-------------|
|  |  | +3 octaves  |
|  |  | +2 octaves  |
|  |  | +1 octave   |
|  |  |             |
|  |  | - 1 octave  |
|  |  | - 2 octaves |
|  |  | - 3 octaves |



- When selecting DRONE structure, the octave is -2 on default.  
( → P.45)
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# Performing with the keyboard and voice modes

## Changing the voice mode

- 1 Press **func** + **voice** mode.  
This selects the voice mode.

**func** + **voice** mode




| Voice Mode  |             |  |
|-------------|-------------|--|
| <i>POLY</i> | Polyphonic  | Polyphonic note can be output simultaneously in this mode                |
| <i>MONO</i> | Mono        | In this single voice mode, each note retriggers the sound.               |
| <i>LGT</i>  | Legato      | In this single voice mode, notes do not retrigger the sound.             |
| <i>UNI</i>  | Unison      | In this voice mode, 4 detune-able voices sound in a single unison voice. |
| <i>ARP</i>  | Arpeggiator | In this mode, each note played on the keyboard is played one by one.     |


# Performing with the keyboard and voice modes

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## Changing the glide (in MONO/LEGATO mode)


- 1 Press **func** + **voice** adj.
- 2 Use  VALUE to set the speed.

**func** + **voice** adj


  
VALUE

|   |
|---|
| <b>Glide</b>  |
| 0 - 127   |
| The time can be changed in a range of 0 - 10000 ms. |

## Changing the detune (in UNISON mode)

- 1 Press **func** + **voice** adj.
- 2 Use  VALUE to set the detune.

**func** + **voice** adj

  
VALUE

|  |
|--|
| <b>Detune</b>                                      |
| 0 - 127  |
| The pitch can be changed in a range of 0 - 20cent. |

# Performing with the keyboard and voice modes













## Changing the arpeggiator type (in ARP mode)

1 Press **func** + **voice** adj.

2 Use  VALUE to select the arpeggiator type.

**func** + **voice** adj

  
VALUE

| Arpeggiator |            |  |
|-------------|------------|--|
| UP          | UP         |   |
| DOWN        | DOWN       |   |
| U.D         | UP DOWN    |   |
| D.U         | DOWN UP    |   |
| U.A.D       | UP&DOWN    |   |
| D.A.U       | DOWN&UP    |    |
| RNDM        | RANDOM     |   |
| UP+1        | UP+1       |   |
| UP+2        | UP+2       |   |
| DN-1        | DOWN-1     |   |
| DN-2        | DOWN-2     |   |
| P.O         | PLAY ORDER | <br>Notes are sounded in the order played on the keyboard |



- The arpeggiator's note speed is determined by NOTE (→ P.59) and BPM (→ P.24).

# Copying Layers



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## Copying a layer to another layer

You can copy a sound setting & sequence you've created from layer to layer.

- 1 Press **1** - **4** to select layer to copy.
- 2 Press **func** + **⏏** COPY.
- 3 Press **1** - **4** to select the layer to be pasted.
- 4 Press **func** + **⏏** PASTE .

## Copying layer to another pattern palette

- 1 Press **1** - **4** to select the Layer of the Pattern Palette to be copied.
- 2 Press **func** + **⏏** COPY. 
- 3 Press **1** - **4** to select the layer for the pattern palette to be pasted.
- 4 Press **func** + **⏏** PASTE . 





- Layer copying is only valid between Layers of the same type (between Layers 1 - 3 and between layer 4 of difference pattern).
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# Basic operations Pattern Palette

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## Changing the tempo



| BPM  |
|--|
| 40 - 250   |
| When the tempo is shown on the display,  VALUE can be turned to change it in 0.1-beat increments.<br>When you want to set the BPM lower than 80 or higher than 160, use  VALUE to achieve this too |

## Reloading patterns

**1** Press .

**2** Press .

This is useful for restoring sounds to their original states during live performances, for example.





# Changing Pattern Palettes automatically

## Selecting multiple Pattern Palettes and performing them in order (chain playback)

- 1 Press **PTN** twice (lights orange).
- 2 Press **1** - **16** .  
Select Pattern Palettes in the order that you want them to play.  
Press 1- 16 again to deselect.
- 3 Press **▶** .  
The Pattern Palettes will play in the selected order.



- Press **PTN** again to end chain playback.

## Relaxation Playback Mode

Repeat pattern palettes and chain playback with fade-outs.

- 1 Press **PTN** twice (lights orange).
- 2 Press **1** - **16** .  
Select Pattern Palettes in the order that you want them to play.  
Press **1** - **16** again to deselect.
- 3 Press **1/3** and use VALUE to set the number of repeat times before fading out.

VALUE

### Fadeout Start

2 - 10

Once the set number of repeat times is reached, the pattern will fade out and the next pattern will begin playing once the fade out is complete.

# Changing Pattern Palettes automatically

4 Press **2/4**, and use  VALUE to set fade out time.

  
VALUE

## Fadeout Time

5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30

Fade time varies from 5 to 30 seconds

5 Hold down **OK** and press Play.  
The Pattern Palettes will play in the selected order.



• During relaxation playback,  lights orange.

## Looping the chain playback

1 Press **func** + **SYSTEM** and select CN.LP.

CN.LP

2 Select LOOP by  VALUE.

LOOP

## Adjusting the volume of individual Pattern Palettes

1 Press **func** + **16** PTN LVL.

2 Adjust parameter by  VALUE.

  
VALUE

## Pattern Palette Level

0 - 127

Pattern Palette levels can be set in a range of  $-\infty$   
- +6 dB.

# Layer selection and basic adjustments

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Ambient Ø has a total of 4 layers that consist of 3 selectable structures synth layers and 1 Noise sound layer.

## **Layer 1, 2, 3:**

BLENDWAVE MODULATION SYNTH engine that has 6 structures and 32 WAVES.

For details on editing BLENDWAVE MODULATION SYNTH, see  
BLENDWAVE  
MODULATION SYNTHESIS( → P.40)

## **Layer 4:**

Adjust balance between 8 ambient noise samples and white noise.  
You can also capture any sound by using the sampling function.  
For details on editing NOISE layer, see Adjusting NOISE layer  
( → P.49)

# Layer selection and basic adjustments

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## The relations about max polyphony between structure and voice mode

Ambient Ø shares max polyphony across all layers. And in case basically use, max polyphony is around 10 voices.

This is because a maximum of 34 oscillators Ambient Ø has, while the maximum polyphony is determined by the number of oscillators consumed by the structure, the voice mode, and the number of notes being played.

If the maximum polyphony is exceeded, notes will be turned off starting with notes on the lowest priority Layer. (Priority is Layer 1 > Layer 4 is the order. However, sounds that are being released will be turned off first in Layer priority order.)

The number of oscillators consumed by each structures is following.

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| DRONE1, 2 | 2 |
| PAD1, 2   | 3 |
| ATMOS1    | 3 |
| ATMOS2    | 3 |
| NOISE     | 1 |



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- ATMOS1 consumes 3 times by one to be ring modulation.
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Following, See the examples how it changes the max polyphony by setting.

# Layer selection and basic adjustments

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## The relations about max polyphony between structure and voice mode

### Example of use in case basic

Layer1 : structure=DRONE1, Voice mode=UNI, sounding notes=1(OSC consumptions is 8)

Layer2 : structure=PAD1, Voice mode=POLY, sounding notes=4(OSC consumptions is 12)

Layer3 : structure=ATMOS1, Voice mode=POLY, sounding notes=4(OSC consumptions is 12)

NOISE : Voice mode=MONO, sounding notes=1(OSC consumptions is 1)

Total OSC consumptions is 33, therefore max polyphony is 10 voices.

### Example of use in case maximum number of max simultaneous notes sounded

Layer1 : structure=DRONE1, Voice mode=POLY, sounding notes=17(OSC consumptions is 34)

Total OSC consumptions is 34 in only the layer1, therefore max polyphony is 17 voices.

In this case, the other layers cannot be sounded.

### Example of use in case minimum number of max simultaneous notes sounded

Layer1 : structure=DRONE1, Voice mode=UNI, sounding notes=1(OSC consumptions is 8)

Layer2 : structure=ATMOS1, Voice mode=UNI, sounding notes=1(OSC consumptions is 12)

Layer3 : structure=ATMOS1, Voice mode=UNI, sounding notes=1(OSC consumptions is 12)

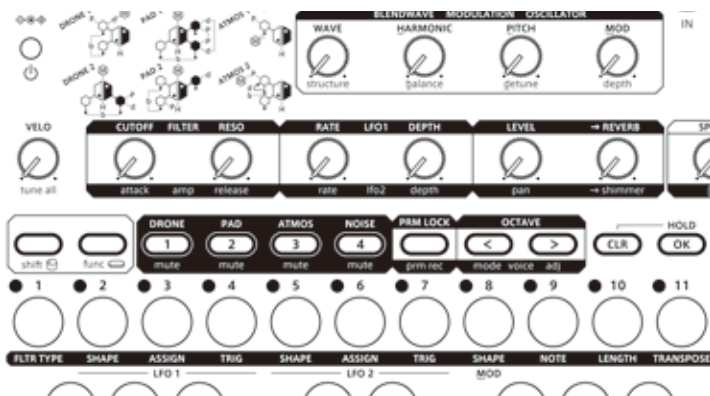
NOISE : Voice mode=MONO, sounding notes=1(OSC consumptions is 1)

Total OSC consumptions is 33, therefore max polyphony is 4 voices.

# Layer selection and basic adjustments

## Selecting Layers

- 1 Press **1** - **4** for the Layer you want to select.  
The selected Layer button will light red and its Layer number will be shown on the display. (An unselected Layer buttons will light green.)  
The parameters shown in the gray areas on the top of the unit can be controlled separately for each Layer.



## Muting Layers

- 1 Press **func** + **1** - **4** for the Layer you want to mute.  
The muted Layer buttons will light orange.  
Press **func** + the button that is lit orange to unmute the Layer.



- By default, MT.MD (mute mode) is set to SEQ, allowing you to play even if the Layer is muted.  
If you want to completely mute the sound of a Layer, select **SND** in **MT.MD** in **func** + **SYSTEM**.  
Regarding mute mode (→ P.104)

# Layer selection and basic adjustments

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## Adjusting Layer levels

1 Turn  LEVEL.

The level of the selected Layer can be set in a range of 0 - 127 (  $-\infty$  - +6 dB).

## Adjusting Layer panning

1 Turn  pan.

The panning of the selected Layer can be set in a range of L63 - CNTR - R63.

## Changing the sound of Layers

Turn  WAVE and  +  structure to select the sound for each Layer.

The sound sources that can be selected differ depending on the Layer.

| Layer   | TYPE                             | WAVE  | structure                     |
|---------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1, 2, 3 | BLENDWAVE<br>MODULATION<br>SYNTH | 32 Waves  | DRONE1,2, PAD1,2,<br>ATMOS1,2 |
| 4       | NOISE                            | White noise + 8<br>noise samples or<br>Line in signal | LOOP, 1SHOT                   |



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• Operations can also be performed using  VALUE.

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# Envelope generator

## Adjusting the attack and release

Use the envelope generator to adjust the attack that affects the beginning of the sound and the release that affects how the sound fades out.

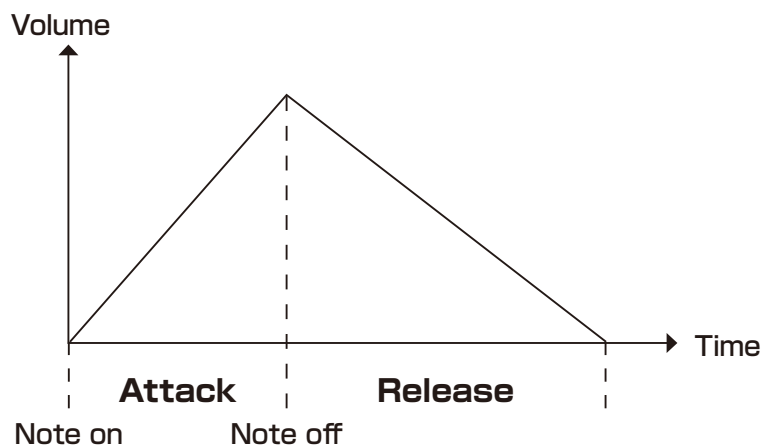
1 Turn **shift** + **⊖** attack or **⊖** release.

**shift** + **⊖** attack

| attack   |
|--|
| 0 - 127  |
| This changes the attack time in a range of 0 - 10000 ms. |

**shift** + **⊖** release

| Release   |
|---|
| 0 - 127   |
| This changes the release time in a range of 0 - 10000 ms.<br>It can be set to 20000ms when using the DRONE structure. |





# Filters

## Changing the filter type

1 Press **func** + **1** FLTR TYPE to select the type.

**func** + **1** FLTR TYPE

| Filter type |   |
|-------------|---|
| OFF         | No filter used  |
| LPF         | Filter that cuts high frequencies                               |
| HPF         | Filter that cuts low frequencies                                |
| BPF         | Filter that only allows through frequencies in a specified band |

## Adjusting the filter cutoff frequency

1 Turn **CUTOFF**.

  
CUTOFF

| Cutoff   |
|--|
| 0 - 127  |
| The cutoff frequency can be changed in a range of 70 - 14400 Hz. |

## Adjusting the filter resonance

1 Turn **RESO**.

  
RESO

| Resonance  |
|--|
| 0 - 127  |
| The resonance can be changed in a range of 0.3 - 10.               |
| For BPF, the bandwidth can be changed in a 0.5 - 3.3 octave range. |

# LFO

Ambient Ø has two modulators that can apply LFOs to various parameters.

## Modulation settings

| LFO waveform  | Modulation destination parameter                   | LFO Triggering   |
|---|--|--|
| func + 2 SHAPE - LFO1<br>func + 8 SHAPE - LFO2              | func + 3 ASSIGN - LFO1<br>func + 6 ASSIGN - LFO2   | func + 4 TRIG - LFO1<br>func + 7 TRIG - LFO2   |
| LFO Shape   | Assign   | Trigger  |
| See the list on the next page                               | See the list on the next page                      | OFF, 1 - 8, INF  |
| Use VALUE to select the LFO waveform to use for modulation. | Use VALUE to select the parameter to be modulated. | Use VALUE to select the setting to trigger to modulation.<br><br>When set to OFF that LFO is not retrigged, INF that LFO is retrigged each note on and 1 - 8 that is count of LFO cycles after retrigging. |

## Adjusting modulation speed and depth

### Modulator 1

Use RATE - LFO1 to adjust the speed.

Use DEPTH - LFO1 to adjust the depth.

### Modulator 2

Use shift + RATE - LFO2 to adjust the speed.

Use shift + DEPTH - LFO2 to adjust the depth.



# Modulation

## Modulation destination parameter

| Assign (Mod 1/2) |                                      |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| OFF              | Off                                  |
| TUNE             | TUNE                                 |
| HARM             | HARMONIC                             |
| BAL              | balance                              |
| PITCH            | PITCH                                |
| DTFB             | detune/feedback                      |
| L1RT             | LFO1 RATE<br>(from LFO2 only)        |
| L1DP             | LFO1 DEPTH<br>(from LFO2 only)       |
| M1RT             | MOD RATE                             |
| M1DP             | mod depth                            |
| FLCO             | FILTER CUTOFF                        |
| FLRS             | FILTER reso                          |
| PAN              | pan                                  |
| LV'L             | LEVEL                                |
| -:SM             | → shimmer                            |
| -:RV             | → REVERB                             |
| OLVL             | Oscillator level<br>(from LFO1 only) |

## LFO waveform

| Wave (Mod 1/2) |                                |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| SINE           | Sine wave                      |
| SQAR           | Square wave                    |
| TRI            | Triangle wave                  |
| SAW            | Sawtooth wave                  |
| RSAW           | Reverse sawtooth wave          |
| RND            | Random wave                    |
| SRND           | Smooth random wave             |
| LOG            | Logarithmic wave               |
| RLOG           | Reverse logarithmic wave       |
| PL10           | 10% pulse wave                 |
| PL25           | 25% pulse wave                 |
| PL75           | 75% pulse wave                 |
| PL90           | 90% pulse wave                 |
| STP2           | Wave with 2 steps              |
| STP3           | Wave with 3 steps              |
| STP4           | Wave with 4 steps              |
| STP5           | Wave with 5 steps              |
| STP6           | Wave with 6 steps              |
| STP7           | Wave with 7 steps              |
| RMP+           | Wave with ascending ramp       |
| RMP-           | Wave with descending ramp      |
| LSIN           | Lower speed sine wave          |
| LTRI           | Lower speed triangle wave      |
| LSRN           | Lower speed smooth random wave |

# Modulation

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- The balance cannot be selected for noise layers.
  - If WAVE is set to LN.IN in the noise layer, assigning TUNE, HARMONIC, balance, detune, MOD RATE, mod depth, and oscillator level has no effect.
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# Reverb

Ambient  $\emptyset$  includes a sublime high-quality shimmer reverb that adds a layer of reverberations an octave above the original pitch.

$\emptyset \rightarrow$  REVERB allows you to adjust the send amount to the effect for each Layer.

## Adjusting the reverb

- 1 Press **func** + **14** RVB TYPE and select other than OFF.  
You can also select the reverb type with **VALUE**.
- 2 Turn  $\emptyset \rightarrow$  REVERB and **shift** +  $\emptyset$  reverb to adjust the parameters.
- 3 Turn **shift** +  $\emptyset \rightarrow$  shimmer to adjust amount of the shimmer.

| Reverb type                      |            | Amount of signal sending to reverb. | Amount of signal sending to shimmer.           | Reverb mix level                  |
|----------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| <b>func</b> + <b>14</b> RVB TYPE |            | $\emptyset \rightarrow$ REVERB      | <b>shift</b> + $\emptyset \rightarrow$ shimmer | <b>shift</b> + $\emptyset$ reverb |
| <i>OFF</i>                       | OFF        | ----                                | ----   | ----                              |
| <i>SML.L</i>                     | Small.L    | send                                | send   | Mix                               |
| <i>SML.M</i>                     | Small.M    | send                                | send   | Mix                               |
| <i>SML.H</i>                     | Small.H    | send                                | send   | Mix                               |
| <i>LRG.L</i>                     | Large.L    | send                                | send   | Mix                               |
| <i>LRG.M</i>                     | Large.M    | send                                | send   | Mix                               |
| <i>LRG.H</i>                     | Large.H    | send                                | send   | Mix                               |
| <i>INF.L</i>                     | Infinity.L | send                                | send   | Mix                               |
| <i>INF.M</i>                     | Infinity.M | send                                | send   | Mix                               |
| <i>INF.H</i>                     | Infinity.H | send                                | send   | Mix                               |



- Use **func** + **0** LINE IN to adjust the reverb send level for LINE IN input.

# Reverb

## Deactivating the reverb reset when changing Pattern Palettes

If you want to play Pattern Palette chains without the reverb resetting, set the same reverb type on the Pattern Palettes you want to chain and set the reverb reset to OFF.

- 1 Press **func** + **SYSTEM** multiple times to select R.RST.



- 2 Select OFF.

| Reverb Reset |   |
|--------------|---|
| OFF          | Do not reset the reverb when changing the Pattern Palettes with the same reverb type. |
| ON           | Reset reverb when the Pattern Palette is changed.                                     |



- You can change the routing of the master effects. (→ P.80)

# Adjusting the Master FX

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Set the master effect as follows.

- 1 Press **func** + **15** FX TYPE and select the effect.  
You can also select the effect type with **VALUE**
- 2 Turn **FX - SPEED** and **FX - AMOUNT** to adjust the parameters.

| <b>func</b> + <b>15</b> FX TYPE |                | <b>FX - SPEED</b> | <b>FX - AMOUNT</b> |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| <b>DLY</b>                      | Tape Delay     | Time              | Amount             |
| <b>R.DLY</b>                    | Reverse Delay  | Time              | Amount             |
| <b>DRV</b>                      | Overdrive      | Gain              | Mix                |
| <b>CRSH</b>                     | Bit/Rate Crush | Bit/Sample rate   | Mix                |
| <b>TILT</b>                     | Tilt EQ        | Frequency         | Balance            |
| <b>CHRS</b>                     | Stereo Chorus  | Rate              | Depth and Mix      |

# BLENDWAVE MODULATION SYNTHESIS

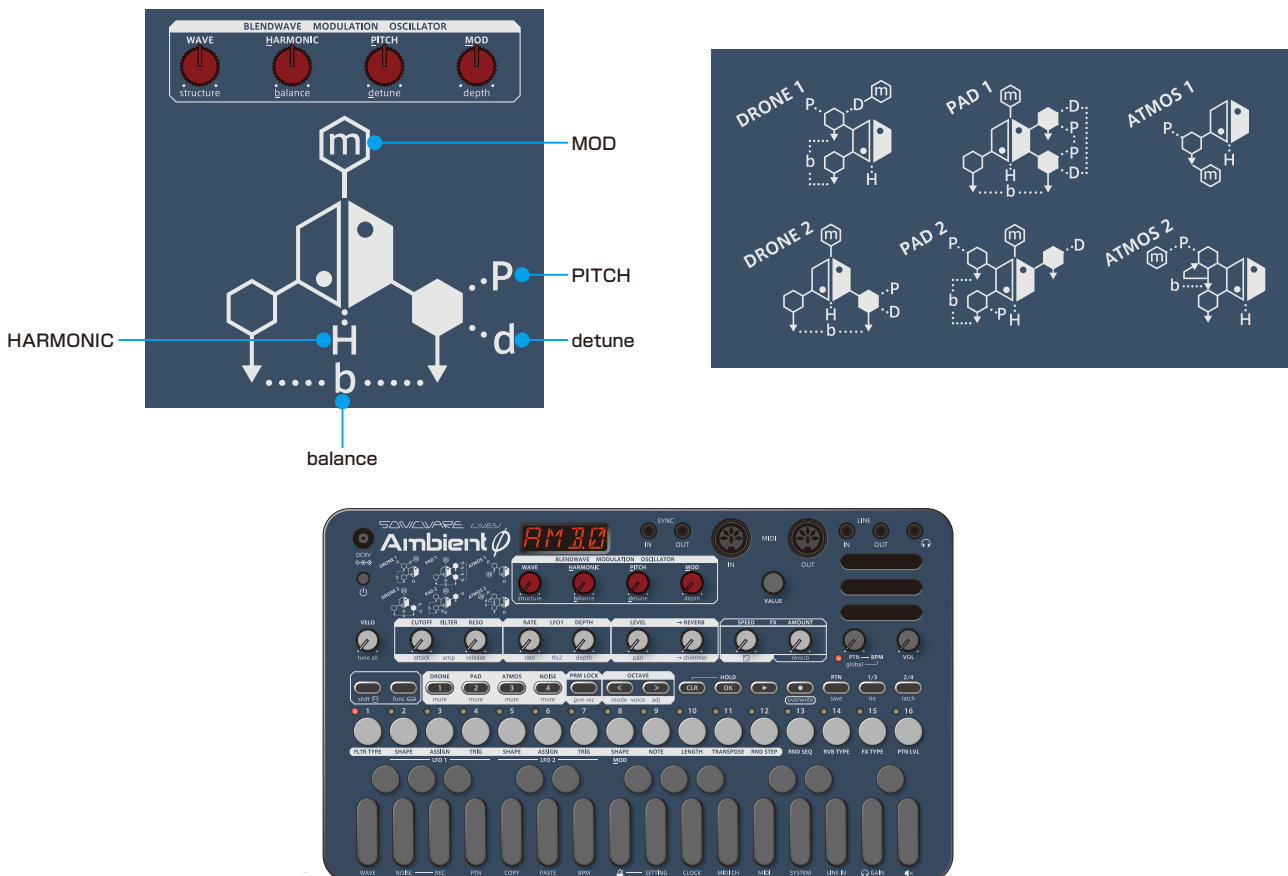
BLENDWAVE MODULATION SYNTHESIS is the original synth-engine constructed using 6 powerful STRUCTUREs and 32 WAVEs installed in the Ambient Ø.

The 32 WAVEs contain 128 HARMONIC tables. They can be morphing basic waveforms to complexed harmonic waveforms or generating whitenoise when using LFOs. Each WAVE and structure combination produces unique sounds.

The 6 STRUCTUREs, (DRONE1 and 2, PAD1 and 2, and ATMOS1 and 2) are a core parameter to change MOD destinations, amount of OSC blending and OSC count per layer in the Ambient Ø. This lets you create more flexible synthesis using fewer knobs.

Each of the structures have a unique modulation circuit like a HARMONIC MOD, DETUNE MOD or FM MOD. You can change sound colors in your pattern palette instantly using a single knob.

The combination of 6 characteristic structures and 32 WAVEs produce beautiful and complex harmonics which can quickly make sounds well suited to Ambient music like a strong low frequency drones, levitate pad and crystal clear pizzicato sounds.





# Adjusting a wave

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## Selecting a wave

- 1 Turn  WAVE knob.



| Wave              |
|-------------------|
| 1 - 32            |
| Selecting a WAVE. |

## Adjusting Harmonic

- 1 Turn  HARMONIC knob.



| HARMONIC                      |
|-------------------------------|
| 0 - 127                       |
| HARMONIC position in the wave |

# Adjusting a wave

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## Built-in WAVE list

|    | WAVE  | HARMONIC   |
|----|-------|--|
| 1  | SAW.S | This waveform is wave-shaper sawtooth wave.                      |
| 2  | SQR.D | This waveform is PWM square wave.                                |
| 3  | SIN.S | This waveform is wave-shaper sine wave.                          |
| 4  | SIN.D | This waveform is modulating duty cycles of sine wave.            |
| 5  | SQR.S | This waveform is wave-shaper square wave.                        |
| 6  | TRIS  | This waveform is wave-shaper triangle wave.                      |
| 7  | SQ.SN | This waveform is wave-shaper square wave by sin wave.            |
| 8  | EV.OD | This waveform is morphing even harmonics to odd harmonics.       |
| 9  | OCTV  | This waveform is osc syncing multiple basic waveform.            |
| 10 | SIN.M | This waveform is morphing overtone of sine wave.                 |
| 11 | SIN.F | This waveform is wave-folding sine wave.                         |
| 12 | TRI.F | This waveform is wave-folding triangle wave.                     |
| 13 | SIN.C | This waveform is bit-crushing sine wave.                         |
| 14 | FM.CR | This waveform is bit-crushing sine wave with FM modulating.      |
| 15 | FM.OD | This waveform is morphing FM modulated wave to over drive sound. |
| 16 | SYNC  | This waveform is syncing multiple sawtooth wave.                 |

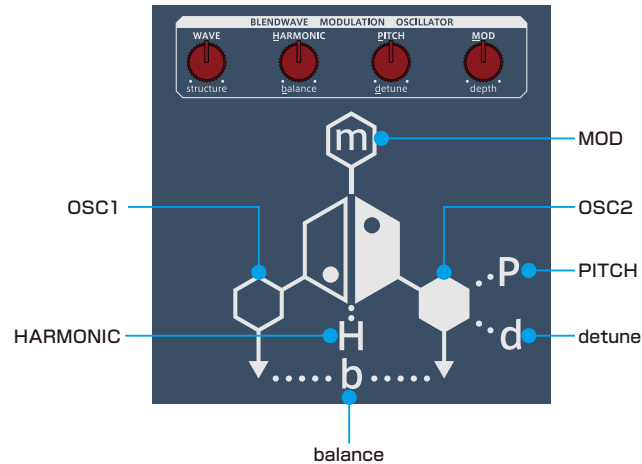
# Adjusting a wave

|    | WAVE  | HARMONIC  |
|----|-------|---|
| 17 | HRM.1 | This waveform is summing additive and osc synced overtone to sawtooth wave.   |
| 18 | HRM.2 | This waveform is summing additive and FM modulation overtone to HRM.1 wave.   |
| 19 | CL.FM | This waveform is FM modulating to digital clipped sine wave.  |
| 20 | FRML  | This waveform is wave-folding and clipping sine wave.   |
| 21 | FRM.1 | This waveform adds FM modulating and modulating formant frequency to sine wave.   |
| 22 | FRM.2 | This waveform adds FM modulation while formant frequency modulating the human voice   |
| 23 | 27.PS | This waveform is changing 27 position of overtone.  |
| 24 | FM.WF | This waveform is wave-folding and FM modulating triangle wave.  |
| 25 | FM.PF | This waveform simulating 2 op FM synthesis.   |
| 26 | AD.MP | This waveform is overtone morphing and additive synthesis and wavefolding.  |
| 27 | BCHL  | This waveform is simulating west coat like complex osc.   |
| 28 | SQR.R | This waveform is AM modulating square wave by random noise.   |
| 29 | RNDM  | This waveform is changing 127 individual waveforms.   |
| 30 | S.RND | This waveform is morphing individual waveforms.   |
| 31 | TRI.N | This waveform is triangle wave including spectrum of pink and white noise.  |
| 32 | WH.NS | This waveform is including spectrum of white noise.<br>It can generate white noise by setting LFO ASSIGN:HARMONIC and HARMONIC knob:63,LFO depth knob:63. |

# Adjusting a structure

MOD assign and number of OSC change when changing structures. Structures that have mod assigned to HARMONIC have multiple OSC outputs represented by a "Yin Yang".

The Yang(white) oscillator HARMONIC position is modulated in a positive direction, and Yin(white) oscillator HARMONIC position is modulated in negative direction.



## Selecting a structure

1 Turn **shift** + structure.

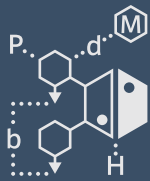
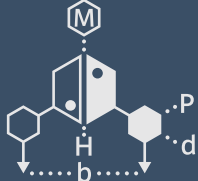
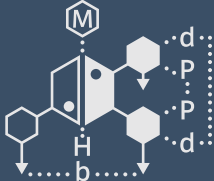
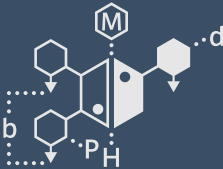
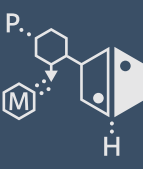
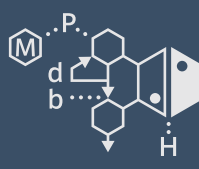
**shift** + structure

VALUE

| Structure Type |        |
|----------------|--------|
| DRN1           | DRONE1 |
| DRN2           | DRONE2 |
| PAD1           | PAD1   |
| PAD2           | PAD2   |
| ATM1           | ATMOS1 |
| ATM2           | ATMOS2 |



# Adjusting a structure







## Changing a structure

|  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
|   |    |    |
| <b>DRONE 1</b>   | <b>DRONE2</b>   | <b>PAD1</b>   |
| MOD → detune   | MOD → HARMONIC  | MOD → HARMONIC  |
| Yang OSC : 2<br>Yin OSC : none   | Yang OSC : 1<br>Yin OSC : 1   | Yang OSC : 1<br>Yin OSC : 2   |
| <p>This structure is for Drone sound and has two Yang OSCs.</p> <p>Adjust pitch and detune of second Yang OSC to add fluctuation.</p> <p>Balance is adjusted between osc1 and osc2.</p> <p>MOD is assigned to detune knob.</p> <p>The default octave range is set to -2.</p> | <p>This structure is for Drone sounds and has two OSCs, one Yin and one Yang.</p> <p>Adjust pitch and detune of second Yin OSC to add fluctuation.</p> <p>Balance is adjusted between osc1 and osc2.</p> <p>MOD is assigned to HARMONIC knob.</p> <p>The default octave range is set to -2.</p> | <p>This structure is for Pad sounds and has three OSCs, two Yin and one Yang.</p> <p>Adjust pitch and detune of two Yin OSCs to add fluctuation.</p> <p>Balance is adjust between Yin and Yang.</p> <p>MOD is assigned to HARMONIC knob.</p>                    |
|   |    |    |
| <b>PAD2</b>  | <b>ATMOS1</b>   | <b>ATMOS2</b>   |
| MOD → HARMONIC   | MOD → OSC 出力  | MOD → PITCH   |
| Yang OSC:2<br>Yin OSC:1  | Yang OSC:1<br>Yin OSC:none  | Yang OSC:2<br>Yin OSC:none  |
| <p>This structure is for Pad sounds and has three OSCs, one Yin and two Yang.</p> <p>Adjust pitch of third Yang osc and detune of second Yin osc to add fluctuation.</p> <p>Balance is adjust between osc1,2 and osc3.</p> <p>MOD is assigned to HARMONIC knob.</p>          | <p>This structure is for Atmos sounds and has one Yang OSC.</p> <p>Adjust pitch and detune of Yang OSC to control sound.</p> <p>Balance is deactivated.</p> <p>MOD is assigned to osc out as ring modulation.</p>   | <p>This structure is for Atmos sounds and has two Yang OSCs in an FM pair as modulator and carrier.</p> <p>Adjust Balance knob to control FM modulation amount.</p> <p>Detune knob controls feedback amount.</p> <p>MOD is assigned to modulator osc ratio.</p> |

# Adjusting a structure

## Adjusting a structure

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>OSC Pitch /Operator ratio (ATMOS2)</b>  | <b>MOD rate</b>  |
|  <b>PITCH</b> |  <b>MOD</b> |
| <b>Pitch</b>   | <b>Mod</b>   |
| -240 - 0 - 240<br>0.50 - 15.99(ATMOS2)   | 0 - 127  |
| Adjusts OSC pitch. When using ATMOS2, this adjusts pitch ratio of modulator.                   | Adjusts speed of MOD LFO.  |

|  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <b>OSC balance/ FM modulation amount (ATMOS2)</b>  | <b>OSC detune/ Feedback amount (ATMOS2)</b>   | <b>MOD depth</b>   |
|  +  <b>balance</b> |  +  <b>detune</b> |  +  <b>depth</b> |
| <b>Balance</b>   | <b>Detune</b>   | <b>Depth</b>   |
| 63 - CNTR - 63<br>0 - 127(ATMOS2)  | -63 - 0 - 63<br>0 - 127(ATMOS2)   | 0 - 127  |
| Adjusts balance between OSCs. When using ATMOS2, it adjusts amount of FM modulation.   | Adjusts detune amount. When using ATMOS2, this adjusts the amount of feedback.  | Adjusts MOD depth.   |



- MOD LFO is retrigged at each note on.

# Adjusting a structure

## Changing MOD shape

1 Press **func** + **8** MOD SHAPE.

  
VALUE

| Wave - Mod |                                |
|------------|--------------------------------|
| SINE       | Sine wave                      |
| SQAR       | Square wave                    |
| TRI        | Triangle wave                  |
| SAW        | Sawtooth wave                  |
| R.SAW      | Reverse sawtooth wave          |
| RND        | Random wave                    |
| S.RND      | Smooth random wave             |
| LOG        | Logarithmic wave               |
| R.LOG      | Reverse logarithmic wave       |
| PL.10      | 10% pulse wave                 |
| PL.25      | 25% pulse wave                 |
| PL.75      | 75% pulse wave                 |
| PL.90      | 90% pulse wave                 |
| STP.2      | Wave with 2 steps              |
| STP.3      | Wave with 3 steps              |
| STP.4      | Wave with 4 steps              |
| STP.5      | Wave with 5 steps              |
| STP.6      | Wave with 6 steps              |
| STP.7      | Wave with 7 steps              |
| RMP+       | Wave with ascending ramp       |
| RMP-       | Wave with descending ramp      |
| L.SIN      | Lower speed sine wave          |
| L.TRI      | Lower speed triangle wave      |
| L.S.RN     | Lower speed smooth random wave |

# Renaming WAVE name

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## Renaming a WAVE

**1** Press **func** + **WAVE** to select WT.RN.



**2** Turn **VALUE** to select WAVE to rename, and press **OK**.

**3** Press **<** **>** to move the cursor left and right, and turn **VALUE** to select characters.



**4** Press **OK**.  
This completes the setting.  
DONE will appear on the display.



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- Turn **HARMONIC** knob to audition how the selected WAVE sounds.
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# Adjusting NOISE layer

8 selected ambient sounds are available on the Noise layer and it can be mixed with white noise, modulated and have their pitch tweaked to add a unique space to your sound.

The MOD is assigned to PITCH knob.

Up to 8 sec stereo sampling (16bit-32kHz) via the line input is lets you change them to your own textures.

These parameters PITCH, detune, MOD, depth behave as same as 1 - 3 layers.( → P.46)

## Changing NOISE sample

- 1 Turn  WAVE knob.



| Noise   |  |
|---|--|
| 1 - 8, LN.IN  |  |
| Up to 8 sec stereo sampling (16bit-32kHz) via the line input is lets you change them to your own textures. The 8 samples slots can be overwritten. see Sampling ( → P.51) |  |
| By selecting LN.IN, you can use the line input as the sound source.   |  |
| When LN.IN is selected, the keyboard, balance, and some modulation parameters are disabled.   |  |

| Noise |      |
|-------|------|
| 1     | RAIN |
| 2     | FIRE |
| 3     | RMBL |
| 4     | FRST |
| 5     | SEA  |
| 6     | WIND |
| 7     | WODS |
| 8     | FLUT |

# Adjusting NOISE layer

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## Adjusting noise balance

- 1 Turn  HARMONIC knob

  
HARMONIC

| Harmonic   |  |
|--|--|
| 63 - CNTR - 63                                     |  |
| Sets balance between white noise and noise sample. |  |

## Changing sample playback mode

- 1 Turn  +  structure knob

 +  structure

| Playback mode |  |
|---------------|--|
| <b>SHOT</b>   | Plays noise sample once while the key is pressed.      |
| <b>LOOP</b>   | Plays noise sample in a loop while the key is pressed. |

# Sampling

## Overview

Ambient Ø can save recorded samples in 8 slots.

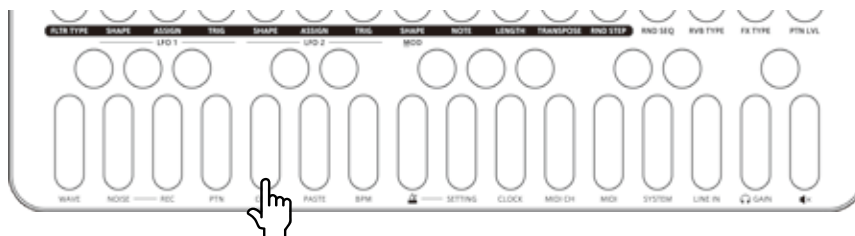
## Activating NOISE REC mode

- 1 Press **func** + **NOISE REC** to select NS.RC.



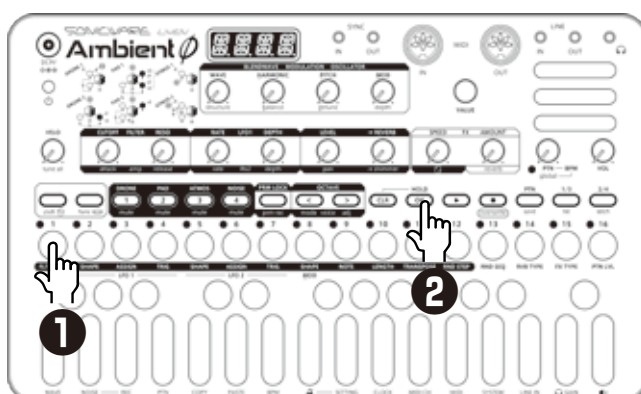
## Sample slot selection

- 1 Press **1** - **8** to select samples.  
Sounds can be checked by playing the keys on the keyboard.



Play this key to hear the sample with its original pitch and length.

- 2 Press **OK** to decide the slot to overwrite.





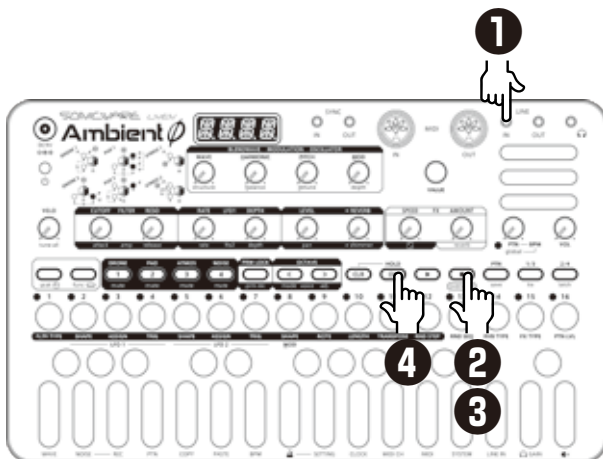
# Sampling - Recording



- 1 Connect the output of the equipment you want to record to the Ambient Ø LINE IN.



- Mics and guitars cannot be connected directly. Use a mixer or other equipment to convert their outputs to line signals.


- 2 Press  .  
 will blink red.  
Use the step LEDs to check the recording level.  
(Step 12 indicates -6dB, Step 16 indicates 0dB)





- 3 Press  again.  
 will light red and recording will automatically start when a signal is input.



The step LEDs show the recording progress.  
When step 16 lights, recording will stop automatically.

- 4 Press  to save the sample.  
Before saving, the sample can be checked by playing the keyboard.



- Press  to stop immediately during the recording.
- Press  to cancel the operation.

# Sampling settings

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The following settings are used for sampling.

## Setting auto recording

**1** Press **func** + **NOISE REC** to select A.R.LV.



**2** Turn **VALUE**.

This can be set to OFF or the input signal level that starts recording automatically ( - 60 - - 20 dB).

If auto recording is off, press **▶** when in recording standby to start recording.



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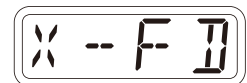
• Use **func** + **LINE IN** to adjust the LINE IN input gain.

• After recording completes, the volume of the sample will be normalized automatically.

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## Setting crossfading time

**1** Press **func** + **NOISE REC** key to select X-FD.



**2** Turn **VALUE**.

It can be set to OFF or 1 - 4 sec.

When set to OFF, samples playback looping without crossfading.



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• It cannot be to check how applied crossfading before recording or edit sample crossfading setting after recording.

Please recording again, if you would adjust crossfading setting.

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# Sampling settings

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## Setting crossfading curve

1 NPress  +  NOISE REC key to select X.CRV.



2 Turn  VALUE.

  
VALUE

| X fade curve |  |
|--------------|--|
| <b>EXP</b>   | Crossfading exponentially following to setting in X-Fade time. |
| <b>LINE</b>  | Crossfading Linearly following to setting in X-Fade time.      |

# Exporting/importing samples

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Recorded samples can be exported to or imported from a PC, Mac or similar device by MIDI. See page 97 for details about connection.

## Exporting a single sample

**1** Press **func** + **NOISE** multiple times to select NS.EX.



**2** Turn **VALUE** to select a slot to export.

**3** Press **OK**.



**4** Set your PC to receive MIDI data.

**5** Press **OK**.  
This starts sample data transmission.



The step LEDs will show the progress. When finished, DONE will appear on the display.

## Importing a single sample

**1** Press **func** + **NOISE** multiple times to select NS.IM.



**2** Turn **VALUE** to select a slot to import.

**3** Press **OK**.

**4** Start transmitting data from the transmitting device.



**5** After receiving data has completed, press **OK** to save it.

# Renaming samples

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## Renaming samples

1 Press **func** + **NOISE** to select NS.RN.



2 Turn **VALUE** to select a slot to rename.

3 Press **OK**.

4 Use **<** and **>** to move the cursor left and right, and turn **VALUE** to select characters.

5 Press **OK**.  
This completes the setting.  
DONE will appear on the display.



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• Press **CLR** during a procedure to cancel it.

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# Step sequencer overview

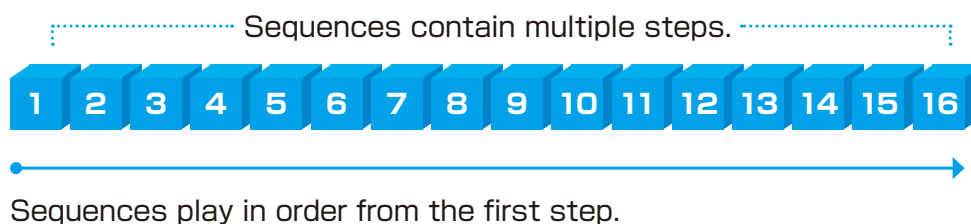
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## Overview

The Ambient Ø step sequencer can play **multiple steps** in order (a sequence) with performance and parameter data.



Steps contain **note data** and **parameter data**.



## Ambient Ø step sequencer features

The sequencer in the Ambient Ø has the following features.

### Three input methods

#### Step recording

Record notes to each step with the sequencer stopped

#### Real-time recording

Record notes to steps by playing the keyboard

#### Direct recording

Record notes to steps directly during sequencer playback

### Flexible sequencing

#### Sequences with up to 64 steps

The number of steps can be set from 1 – 64 as desired for each Layer



#### Support for various note lengths

The length of each step can be set from 1/32nd note to 8 bars.

# Creating sequences - Preparation

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## Selecting Layers and setting sounds

- 1 Press one  -  button to select the Layer for sequence creation.




- If the maximum polyphony is exceeded, notes will be turned off starting with notes on the lowest priority Layer. (Priority is Layer 1 > Layer 4 is the order. However, sounds that are being released will be turned off first in Layer priority order.)
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# Creating sequences - Settings

## Setting the note length of one step

1 Press **func** + **9** NOTE.

2 Use  VALUE to select the note length.

  
VALUE

| Note |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| 8/1  | Octuple whole note (Maxima)  |
| 4/1  | Quadruple whole note (Longa) |
| 3/1  | Triple whole note            |
| 2/1  | Double whole note (Breve)    |
| 1/1  | Whole note                   |
| 1/2  | Half note                    |
| 1/4  | Dotted quarter note          |
| 1/4  | Quarter note                 |
| 1/8  | Dotted 8th note              |
| 1/2T | Half note triplet            |
| 1/8  | 8th note                     |
| 1/16 | Dotted 16th note             |
| 1/4T | Quarter note triplet         |
| 1/16 | 16th note                    |
| 1/32 | 32nd note                    |

## Changing the sequence length

1 Press **func** + **10** LENGTH.

2 Use  VALUE to set the sequence length.





  
VALUE

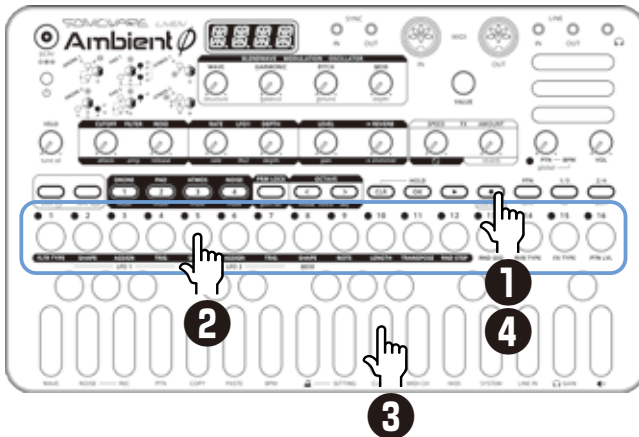
| Length         |
|----------------|
| 1 - 64 (steps) |

# Creating sequences – Step recording

Using step recording, sequences can be created in great detail while playback is stopped.

## Basic operations



- 1** When stopped, press  (lights red).
- 2** Press  -  at the step where you want to input a note.  
The LED for the current step will blink. The LEDs for steps that already have notes will light.
- 3** Play a note on the keyboard to input it at the step.  
Press the same note again on the keyboard to remove it from the step.  
Repeat steps 2 - 3 to create the sequence.
- 4** Press  to end step recording.



# Creating sequences - Step recording

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## Selecting steps 17 and higher

While step recording, if the sequence length is longer than 16 steps press  and  to select steps 17 and higher.

To select steps 1-16, press the 1/3 button.



To select steps 17-32, press the 2/4 button.




To select steps 33-48, press the 1/3 button twice.



To select steps 49-64, press the 2/4 button twice.



- During step recording, pressing a step will cause the stored note to sound continuously. This is by design.
  -  VALUE can also be used to move between steps.
  - Page buttons are enabled or disabled according to the length of the sequence.
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# Creating sequences - Step recording

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## Clearing steps

- 1 Press **CLR** + **1** - **16**.  
During step recording, only the note information for that step will be cleared.

## Copying steps

- 1 During step recording, press **1** - **16** to select the step to copy.

- 2 Press **func** + **0** COPY.



- 3 Press **1** - **16** to select the paste destination step.

- 4 Press **func** + **0** PASTE.

The note and parameter lock data from the copy source step will be pasted to the destination step.



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- Data for ties cannot be copied.
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# Creating sequences – Step recording

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## Sequence extending copy function (duplicate)

You can duplicate a sequence you've created to double its length.

- 1 Select the layer of the sequence you want to make an extended copy by pressing **1** - **4**.
- 2 Press **func** + **10** LENGTH.
- 3 While pressing **shift**, turn **VALUE** to duplicate it 2x (or 4x).

## Automatically advancing steps during step recording (Auto Step mode)

In step recording mode, the step can be advanced automatically each time a key of the keyboard is pressed.

- 1 Press **func** + **0** SYSTEM to select A.STEP.



- 2 Turn this mode on/off.

# Creating sequences - Step recording

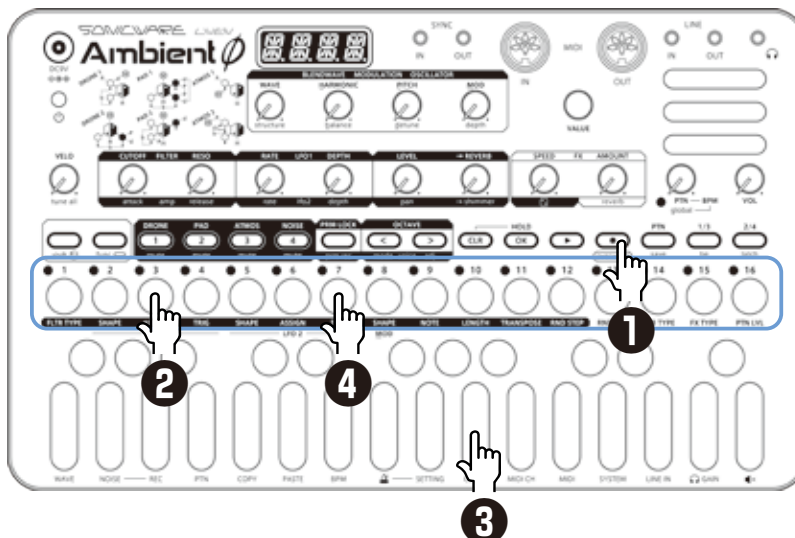
Tied-notes (long sounds) can be input with the Ambient Ø.

## Enabling tied-note (long sound) input

- 1 Press **func** + **tie** .  
The button will light red, and tied-note input will be enabled.

## Inputting tied-notes (long sounds)

- 1 When stopped, press **▶** (lights red) to start step recording.
- 2 Press **1** - **16** at the step where you want to start note input.
- 3 Press and hold a key on the keyboard.
- 4 Press **1** - **16** at the step where you want to stop the note.  
This inputs a tied-note from the starting step to the stopping step.



In the example above, a note (A) is input that starts on step 3 and ends on step 7.



- By pressing **1/3** , **2/4** during procedure 4, tied-notes that span pages can be input.
- It is not possible to enter tied notes that span from the end of a sequence to the beginning.

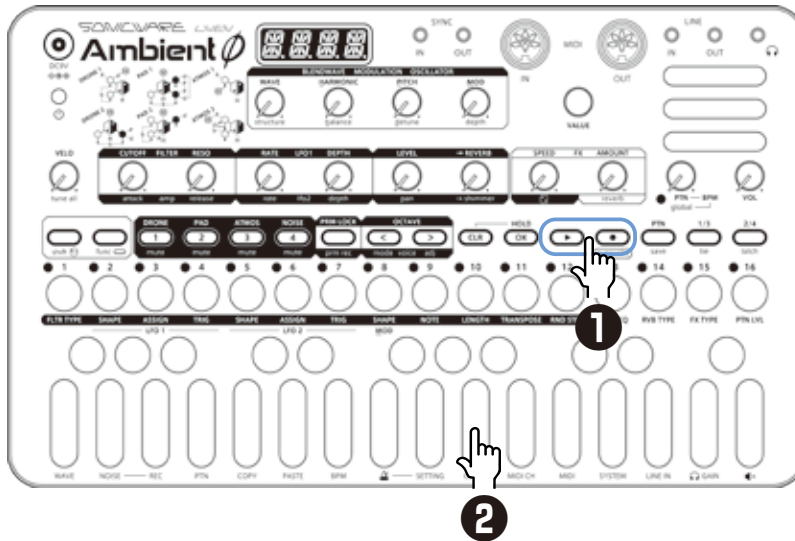


# Creating sequences - Real-time recording

Sequences can be created in real time while playing the keyboard.

## Basic operations

- 1 After pressing **func**, press **tie**.
- 2 The Pattern Palette will start playing, so play the keyboard when you want to input notes.



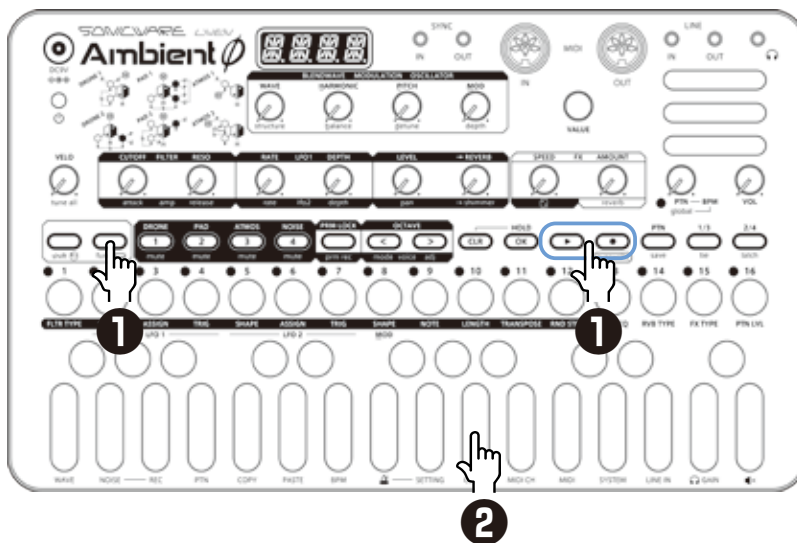
- By pressing **func** + **tie** to enable the input of tied-notes, long notes that span steps can be input.

# Overwriting to steps real-time (overwrite mode)

By using overwrite mode, recording overwrites new playing without sounding recorded notes.

It is useful for build up your performing with looping.

- 1 Press **func** + **ORANGE** (lights orange) and press **PLAY**.
- 2 The Pattern Palette will start playing, so play the keyboard when you want to input notes.



- After overwriting new notes, sequence data before new recording will be lost.  
If you want it to back again, please save Pattern palette (→ P.81) and be it can be reloaded before overwrite recording.
- While overwrite recording running, press and hold **CLR** to clear notes on going steps.

# Creating sequences - Real-time recording

## Turning the metronome ON/OFF

1 Press **func** + METRO to turn ON/OFF.



## Adjusting the metronome volume

1 Press **func** + SETTING - METRO to select VOL.



2 Turn VALUE to adjust the metronome volume.

VALUE

| Metronome |
|-----------|
| 0 - 15    |

## Setting a pre-count

1 Press **func** + SETTING - METRO to select PR.CT.



2 Turn VALUE to change the pre-count.

VALUE

| Precount   |
|------------|
| OFF, 1 - 8 |



- When a pre-count is set, recording and playback will start after the pre-count.
- By setting VOL to a value other than OFF and turning off the metronome, only the pre-count can be heard during real-time recording.

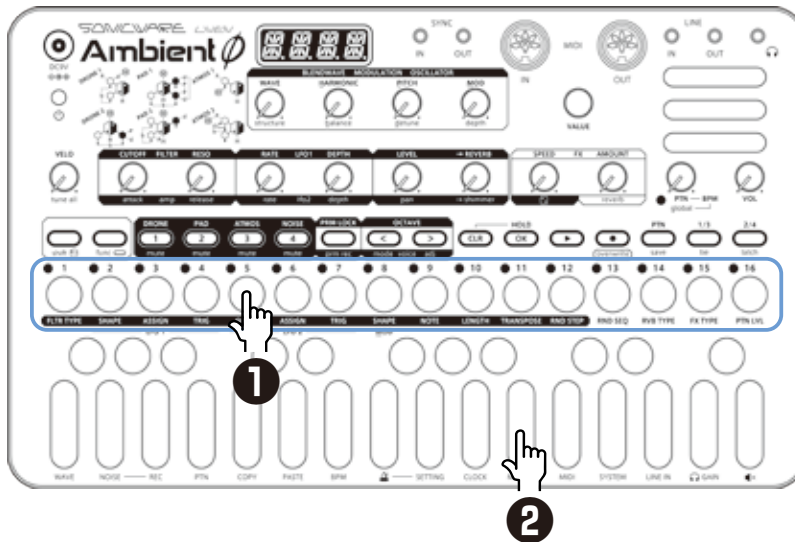
# Creating sequences – Direct recording

With direct recording, notes can be input on steps directly when both stopped and during playback.

This is particularly suitable for building up sequences while performing by directly inputting notes during playback.

## Basic operations



- 1 Press and hold 1 - 16 for the position where you want to input a note.
- 2 Play a note on the keyboard to input it at the step.  
Notes can also be input if procedures 1 and 2 are done in reverse order.



# Creating sequences - Direct recording

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- By pressing  and  while step recording, pages with steps 17 and higher can be selected if the sequence is longer than 16 steps.

To select steps 1-16, press the  button.



To select steps 17-32, press the  button.






To select steps 33-48, press the  button twice.



To select steps 49-64, press the  button twice.



- During playback, pressing  or  will lock the page shown. Press  to unlock the page.

# Creating sequences - settings

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## Transpose

1 Press **func** + **11** TRANSPOSE.

2 Turn  VALUE to transpose KEY.

  
VALUE

| Transpose   |  |
|---|--|
| When set to EQUA,<br>PR.MJ, PR.MN, PY.SH<br>or PY.FL (→ P.77) | -12 - 12 (in semitone)   |
| When set to SLFG,<br>CHKR, or PLNT<br>(→ P.78)                | -C, -Db, -D, -Eb, -E, -F, -Gb, -G,<br>-Ab, -A, -Bb, -B ~ C ~ +Db, +D,<br>+Eb, +E, +F, +Gb, +G, +Ab, +A,<br>+Bb, +B, +C |



- If you use the Transpose function while the Pattern Palette is playing, changes will not take effect until the beginning of the Pattern Palette is reached.
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# Parameter locking

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The Ambient Ø has a **parameter locking** function that can record knob operations to steps.

This allows sounds to be changed over time and is useful for creating Pattern Palettes with great expressiveness.

Parameter locking data can be input in the following three ways.

## Direct input

Turn knobs while pressing **1** - **16** in this fundamental method of direct input.

## Real-time input

Record knob movements during playback in real-time.

## Sound locking input




When recording notes to steps by pressing keys on the keyboard, the state of the sound currently playing is simultaneously recorded to the step as parameter lock data in this input method.

# Basic parameter locking operations

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## Turning parameter locking on

- 1 Press **PRM LOCK**.  
Pressing **PRM LOCK** cycles through the following states.

|   |                       |  |
|---|-----------------------|--|
|  <b>PRM LOCK</b> | Parameter locking off | Parameters do not change automatically                       |
|  <b>PRM LOCK</b> | Parameter locking on  | Parameters change automatically based on parameter lock data |
|  <b>PRM LOCK</b> | Sound locking on      | Sound lock recording enabled (→ P.74)                        |

## Clearing parameter lock data

- 1 Press **CLR + PRM LOCK**.  
This clears parameter lock data.

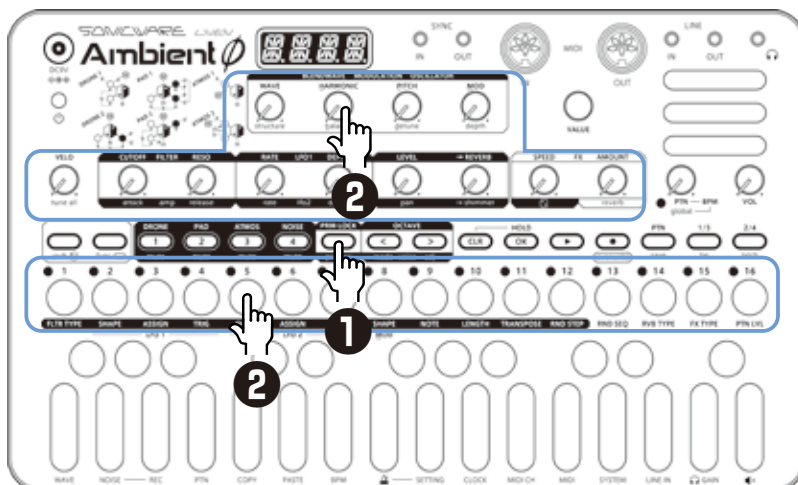
# Parameter locking - Direct input

## Turn parameter locking on

1 Press **PRM** LOCK (lights green).

## Recording knob operations

2 While pressing **1** - **16**, turn **⊖** knobs.



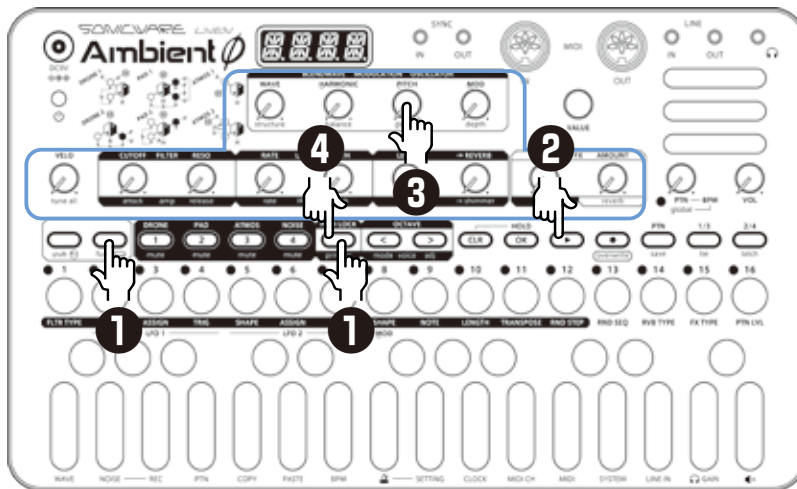
- By pressing **1/3** and **2/4** before directly inputting parameter lock data, pages with steps 17 and higher can be selected if the sequence is longer than 16 steps.
- By turning the knobs while pressing multiple step buttons, you can enter multiple parameter locks at once.
- Parameter locking cannot be used on FX SPEED, FX AMOUNT, tune all, reverb, BPM, VOL.



# Parameter locking - Real-time input

## Inputting in real time (parameter recording)

- 1 Press **func** + **prm** rec (lights red).
- 2 Press **▶** to play the Pattern Palette.
- 3 Turn **⊖** knobs and record the changes.
- 4 Press **PRM LOCK**, making it light green, to end real-time input.



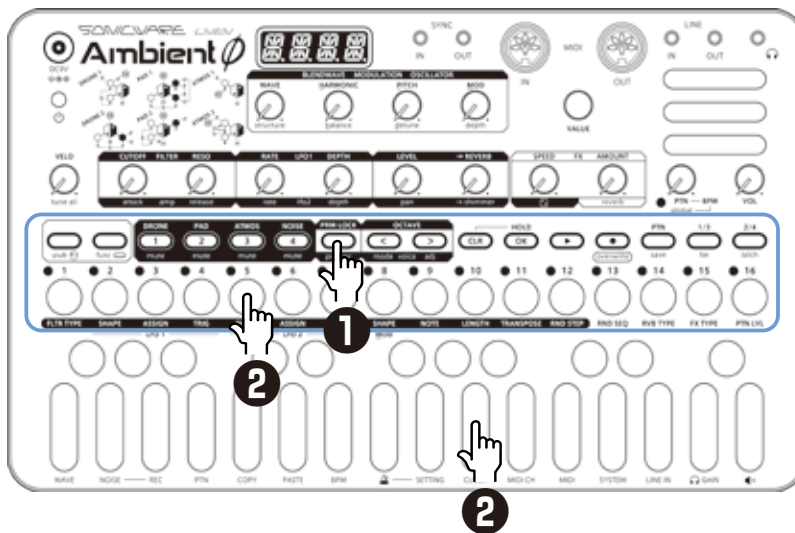
# Parameter locking - Sound locking input

## Turn sound locking on

- 1 Press **PRM** LOCK twice (lights orange).

## Recording note input and parameter lock data at the same time

- 2 While pressing **1** - **16**, play the keyboard.







- In this example, direct recording is used for note input. The sound locking function can also be used with step recording and real-time recording in the same manner.
- The sound locking function will record all of the the current WAVE, HARMONIC, balance, PITCH, detune, MOD, and depth parameter values onto the step(s) in which you input notes.

# Sequence effects

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The Ambient Ø has sequence effect functions, **Random** that can randomize phrases.

## Random

- 1 Press  +  RND SEQ.  
When this is on, a randomized sequence will be played back  
Press  +  RND SEQ again to turn the random function off.

## Random settings

The smallest unit used for randomization during random playback can be set (for example, 1 step or 4 steps).



- 1 Press  +  RND STEP, and use  VALUE to adjust.

  
VALUE

| Random step unit  |
|---|
| OFF, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16 (steps)   |
| If set to OFF, randomization will not occur even if the random playback function is on. |

The random on/off setting is saved with the Pattern Palette, but random unit settings can be saved per Layer.

## DICE

- 1 Turn  +  DICE.  
When voice mode setting to ARP, the probability of a note sounding by arpeggiater has also changed.  
The probability of a note sounding can be set from 25 - 100% .



- The probability of notes sounding can be set independently for each step using the parameter locking function.
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# Deleting sequences

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## Clearing steps

- 1 Press **CLR** + **1** - **16** .  
The note and parameter lock data from that step will be cleared.



- While pressing **CLR** , steps that have parameter lock data blink red.
  - When recording notes ( **NOTE** button lit red), only note data will be cleared.
  - When parameter recording ( **prm** rec lit red), only parameter lock data will be cleared.
  - Normally, when **NOTE** and **prm** rec buttons are lit red, both note and parameter data will be cleared.
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## Clearing all note data in a sequence

- 1 Press **CLR** + **1** - **4** for the Layer with the sequence to be cleared.



- 2 Use **VALUE** to select NOTE, and press **OK** .



This clears all notes on all steps of the sequence.

## Restoring only Layer sounds to the last saved state

- 1 Press **CLR** + **1** - **4** for the Layer with the sound to be restored.

- 2 Turn **VALUE** to select SND, and press **OK** .



# Setting a different temperament to each patterns

You can set a temperament other than the 12 equal temperament to each patterns.

## Changing the temperament of a pattern

1 Press **func** + **PTN** and select **TMPR**.



2 Turn **VALUE** to select the temperament.



| Temperament |                         |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| EQUA        | Equal                   |
| PR.MJ       | Pure Intonation - Major |
| PR.MN       | Pure Intonation - Minor |
| PY.SH       | Pythagorean Tuning #    |
| PY.FL       | Pythagorean Tuning b    |
| SLFG        | Solfeggio Frequencies   |
| CHKR        | Chakra Frequencies      |
| PLNT        | Planetary Frequencies   |



- When solfeggio, chakra, or planet is selected, the octave setting will be set to 0. The master tune setting will also be ignored.

# Setting a different temperament to each patterns

## Changing the key/concert pitch of the temperament

You can set the key/concert pitch for the temperaments other than EQUA.

- 1 Hold down any of the layer buttons and turn  VALUE to select the key or concert pitch.

  
VALUE

| Tonic/Concert Pitch |   |
|---------------------|---|
| PR.MJ               | C, Db, D, Eb, E, F, Gb, G, Ab, A, Bb, B     |
| PR.MN               | C, Db, D, Eb, E, F, Gb, G, Ab, A, Bb, B     |
| PY.SH               | C, Db, D, Eb, E, F, Gb, G, Ab, A, Bb, B     |
| PY.FL               | C, Db, D, Eb, E, F, Gb, G, Ab, A, Bb, B     |
| SLFG                | 174, 285, 396, 417, 528, 639, 741, 852, 963 |
| CHKR                | 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th           |
| PLNT                | 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th           |



- When solfeggio, chakra, or planet is selected as the temperament, you can set a different concert pitch to each layers.
- When Tmpr is set to PR.MJ - PY.FL, the pitch of the NOISE layer will go up or down in semitones when you play the keys.

# Setting a different temperament to each patterns

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## The concert pitch of chakra and planetary frequencies

| Frequency on C4 |        |          |
|-----------------|--------|----------|
|                 | Chakra | Planet   |
| 1st             | 256Hz  | 194.18Hz |
| 2nd             | 288Hz  | 210.42Hz |
| 3rd             | 320Hz  | 234.16Hz |
| 4th             | 341Hz  | 270Hz    |
| 5th             | 384Hz  | 282.4Hz  |
| 6th             | 426Hz  | 315.4Hz  |
| 7th             | 480Hz  | 352Hz    |



- When you play keys other than C4, the notes are produced in 12-tone equal temperament based on their respective frequencies.
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For information on Solfeggio frequencies, please refer to the column by Sound Healing Vibes - Mario Escamilla at the end of this manual. (→ P.111)

# Changing FX routing

You can switch the position of the master effect before or after the pattern level.

1 Press  +  to select FX.RT.



2 Turn  VALUE to select the FX routing.

  
VALUE

| FX Routing |  |  |
|------------|--|--|
| POST       | Connect the master effect after the pattern level  | When the effect is sounding, the sound will remain even if the pattern level is set to 0 |
| PRE        | Connect the master effect before the pattern level | When the pattern level is set to 0, all sound disappears                                 |



- FX.RT setting is saved in the pattern.



# Pattern Palette saving

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Sequences created on every Layer can be saved as Pattern Palettes.

## Saving Pattern Palettes

1 Press **func** + **save** .

2 Press **OK** .  
DONE will appear, and it will be saved.



Changing the save destination or **copying the Pattern Palette**

1 Press **func** + **save** .

2 Use **<** , **>** to select the save destination bank.

3 **1** - **16** to select the save destination Pattern Palette.  
DONE will appear, and it will be saved.



• In step 2, **VALUE** can also be used to select the save destination (execute with **OK** ).

• Press **CLR** during a procedure to cancel it.

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## Initializing Pattern Palettes

1 Select the Pattern Palette to be initialized. (→ P.15)

2 Press **CLR** + **PTN** .  
CLR will be shown, and Pattern Palette settings along with note and parameter lock data will all be cleared.



3 Save the Pattern Palette.

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# Pattern Palette renaming

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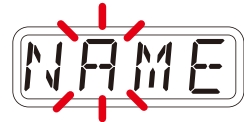
## Renaming Pattern Palettes

- 1 Press **func** + **PTN** multiple times to select PT.RN (**P**attern **R**ename).



- 2 Use **VALUE** to select the Pattern Palette for renaming, and press **OK**.

- 3 Use **<** / **>** to move the cursor left and right, and turn **VALUE** to select characters.



Cursor position blinks

- 4 Press **OK**.  
This saves the name and returns to Pattern Palette selection.



To rename other Pattern Palettes, repeat from step 2.  
To end renaming, press **CLR**.

# Tempo overview

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The Ambient Ø has two BPM modes.

## Pattern Palette BPM mode

Whenever a different Pattern Palette is selected, the BPM is reset using the tempo saved in that Pattern Palette.

## Global BPM mode

The current global BPM value will continue to be used even when a different Pattern Palette is selected.

Select global BPM mode to maintain a consistent tempo during the jam session.

Use Pattern Palette BPM mode when you want the tempo to change with each Pattern Palette.

## Setting the BPM mode

1 Press **func** + **Ø** BPM.

| BPM         |                          |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| BPM mode    |                          |
| <i>PTN</i>  | Pattern Palette BPM mode |
| <i>GLBL</i> | Global BPM mode          |

For BPM settings, see Changing TEMPO ( → P.24)

# LINE IN settings

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## Changing the gain

1 Press **func** + **LINE IN** to select GAIN.

GAIN

2 Turn **VALUE** to change the gain.

  
VALUE

| Gain |       |
|------|-------|
| MUTE | - 127 |

## Setting mono/stereo

1 Press **func** + **LINE IN** to select MONO.

MONO

2 Turn **VALUE** to switch between ON and OFF.

  
VALUE

| Monophonic |        |
|------------|--------|
| ON         | Mono   |
| OFF        | Stereo |

## Setting the send amount to the reverb

1 Press **func** + **LINE IN** and select **→ RV**.

-- : RV

2 Turn **VALUE** to change the send amount.

  
VALUE

| REVERB SEND |                                     |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| OFF         | REVERB is not applied to LINE IN.   |
| 1 ~ 127     | Adjusting amount of send to reverb. |

# LINE IN settings

## Setting the send amount to the shimmer

1 Press **func** +  LINE IN and select → SM.



2 Turn  VALUE to change the send amount.

  
VALUE

| SHIMMER SEND |                                      |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| OFF          | Shimmer is not applied to LINE IN.   |
| 1 ~ 127      | Adjusting amount of send to shimmer. |

## Setting the effect

1 Press **func** +  LINE IN and select → FX.



2 Turn  VALUE to change ON/OFF.

  
VALUE

| FX SEND |                               |
|---------|-------------------------------|
| OFF     | FX is not applied to LINE IN. |
| ON      | FX is applied to LINE IN.     |

### Overview

The Ambient Ø has the following synchronization capabilities.

### SYNC

Use the SYNC IN/OUT jacks to connect and synchronize with devices that support SYNC (including the Korg Volca series).

### MIDI

Use the MIDI IN/OUT jacks to connect and synchronize with devices that support MIDI.

### Audio Sync

Use the LINE IN and headphone jacks to connect and synchronize with devices that support Audio Sync (including the Teenage Engineering Pocket Operator series).

When using Audio Sync, the audio exchanged will be mono.

The Ambient Ø can act as a clock master or receive clock from an external device.

### Setting the clock source

When set to INT (internal), the Ambient Ø acts as a clock master. When not set to INT, the external device will be treated as the clock master.

1 Press **func** + **CLOCK** to select SRC.

2 Turn **VALUE** to set the clock source.



  
VALUE

| Clock Source |                                       |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| <i>INT</i>   | Use internal clock of LIVEN Ambient Ø |
| <i>MIDI</i>  | Use clock from MIDI IN                |
| <i>SYNC</i>  | Use clock from SYNC IN                |
| <i>LN.IN</i> | Use clock from LINE IN                |

### Setting Audio Sync output

Audio Sync output uses the headphone jack. For this purpose, make the following setting to use Audio Sync output.

1 Press **func** + **CLOCK** and select A.OUT.

2 Turn **VALUE** to select ON.



- The sync signal will be output from the left channel and a mono mix of the audio will be output from the right channel of the headphone jack.

## Setting SYNC IN polarity

1 Press **func** + **CLOCK** and select S.I.PO.

S.I.P.O

2 Turn **VALUE** to set the polarity.

  
VALUE

| Polarity - Sync In |   |
|--------------------|---|
| FALL               | Synchronize with falling of sync signal |
| RISE               | Synchronize with rising of sync signal  |

## Setting SYNC OUT polarity

1 Press **func** + **CLOCK** and select S.O.PO.

S.O.P.O

2 Turn **VALUE** to set the polarity.

  
VALUE

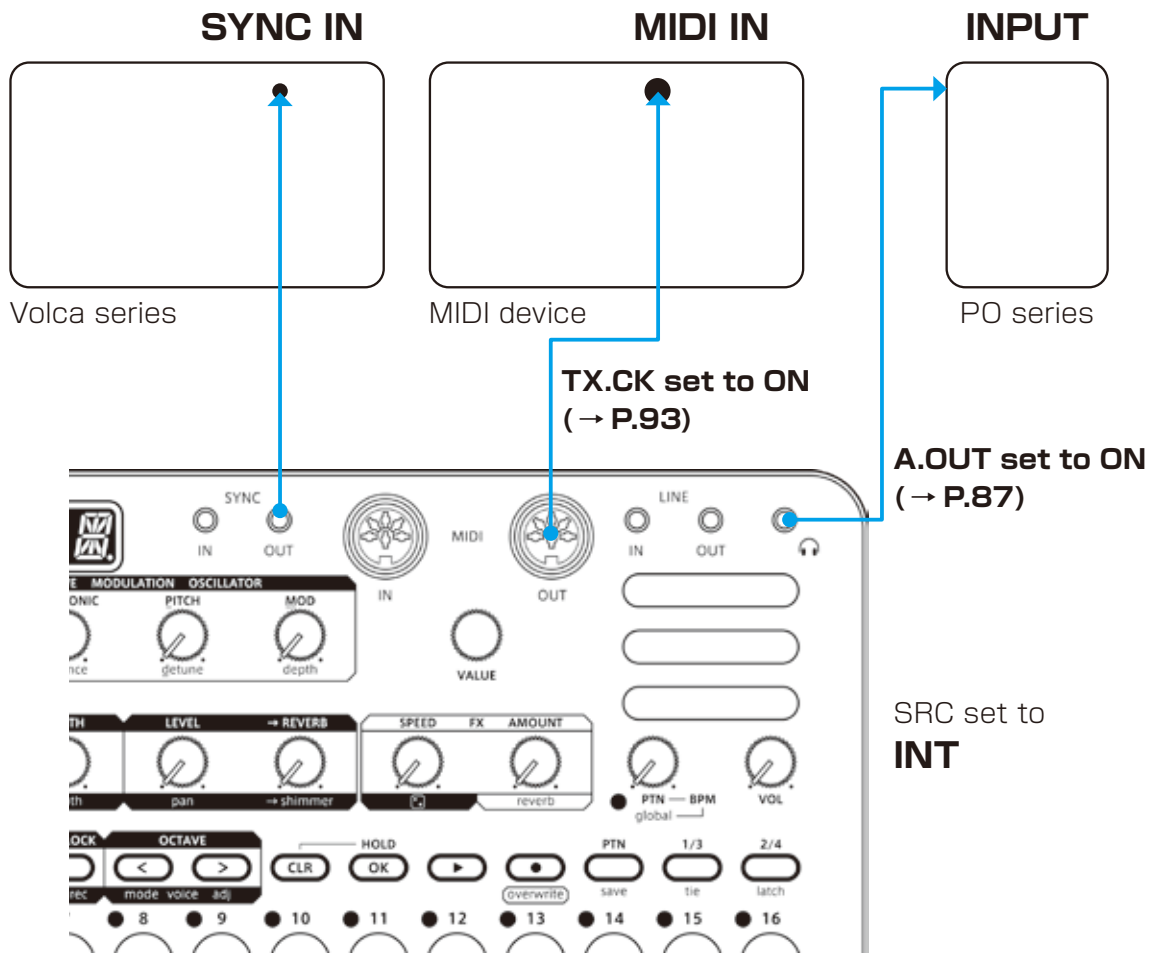
| Polarity - Sync Out |   |
|---------------------|---|
| FALL                | Synchronize with falling of sync signal |
| RISE                | Synchronize with rising of sync signal  |



• See ( → P.93) for details about setting MIDI clock.

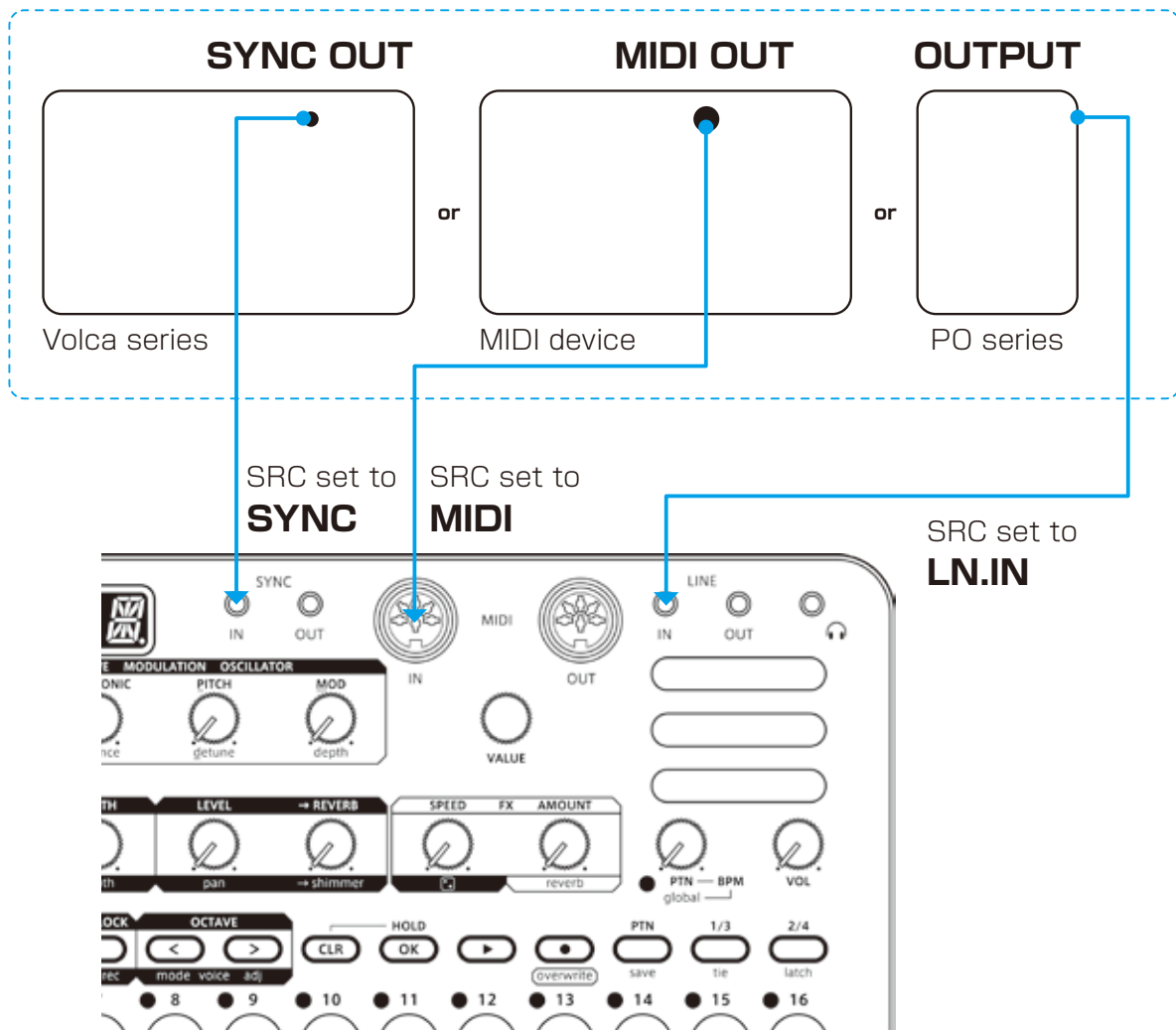


## LIVEN Ambient Ø as clock master

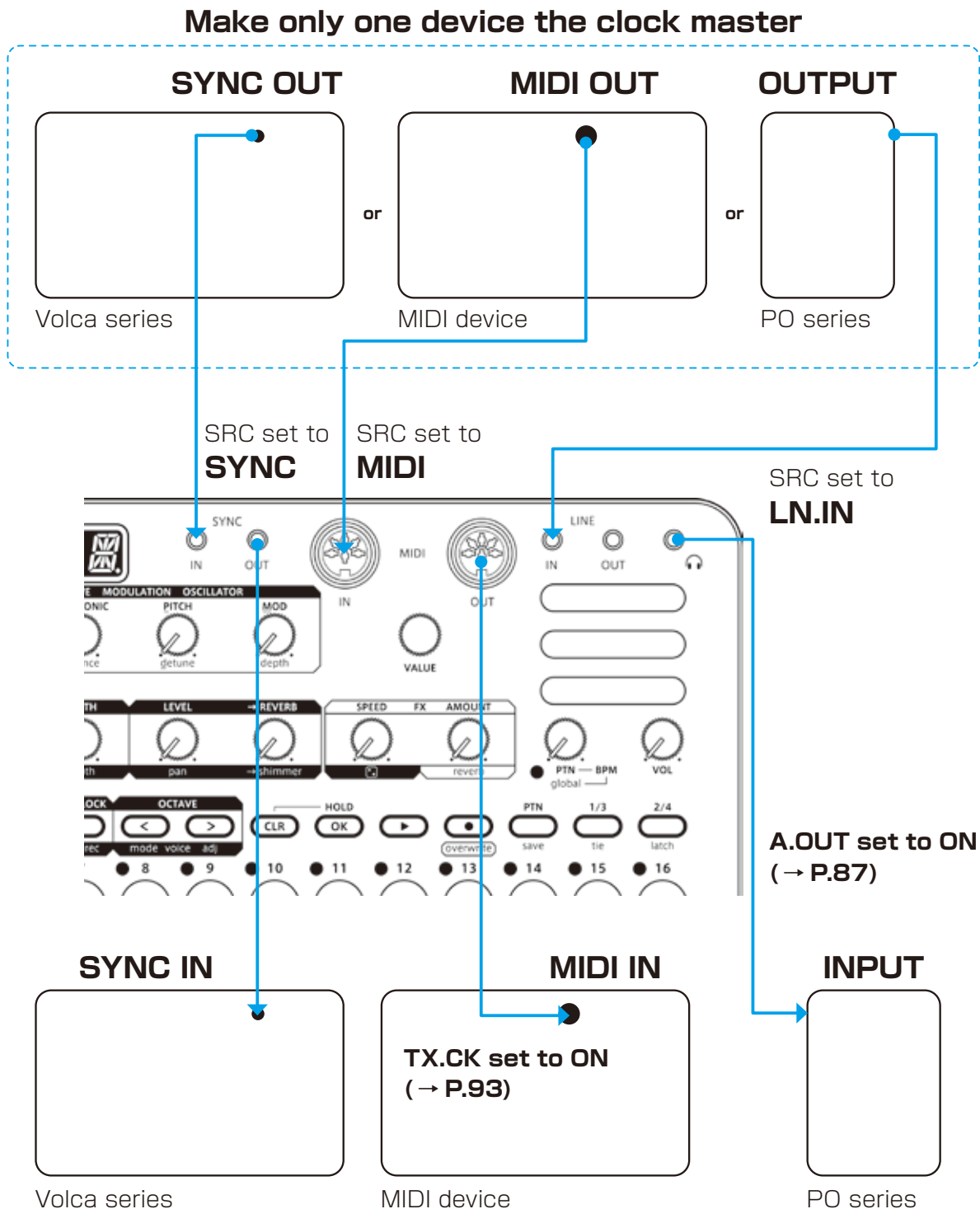


## External device as clock master

Make only one device the clock master





## Bridging clock signals to a different connector from an external device acting as the clock master




Using the bridging function, it is possible to synchronize devices with different connectors. For example, a Pocket Operator acting as a clock master can be used to synchronize a Volca or MIDI device connected to the Ambient Ø.

# MIDI

## Setting channels for transmitting and receiving MIDI

- 1 Press  + , and select the Layer for which you want to set the MIDI channel.



- 2 Turn  VALUE to set the channel.




  
VALUE

| MIDI Channel - Layer |
|----------------------|
| OFF, CH.01 - CH.16   |

## Setting the MIDI channel for Pattern Palette parameters

- 1 Press  + , and select PT.CH.



- 2 Turn  VALUE to set the channel.


  
VALUE

| MIDI Channel - Pattern Palette |
|--------------------------------|
| OFF, CH.01 - CH.16             |

## Setting the MIDI channel for accessing the selected Layer (automatic channel)

- 1 Press  + , and select AT.CH.



- 2 Turn  VALUE to set the channel.

  
VALUE

| MIDI Channel - Auto |
|---------------------|
| OFF, CH.01 - CH.16  |

# MIDI

## Setting the MIDI channel used to output keyboard playing

1 Press  +  and select O.CH.



2 Turn  VALUE to set it.

  
VALUE

**MIDI Channel - Out**

TRCK (Layer), AUTO

## Turning control change transmission on/off

1 Press  +  and select TX.CC.



2 Turn  VALUE to set it to on/off.

  
VALUE

**Control Change**

ON, OFF



- Control change reception is always enabled.

## Turning MIDI clock output on/off

1 Press  +  and select TX.CK.



2 Turn  VALUE to set it to on/off.

  
VALUE

**MIDI Clock**

ON, OFF

# MIDI

## Setting MIDI OUT

1 Press **func** + **MIDI** and select M.OUT.

M.OUT

2 Turn **VALUE** to set MIDI OUT.

  
VALUE

| MIDI OUT  |
|-----------|
| OUT, THRU |

## Setting MIDI command transmitting and receiving

1 Press **func** + **MIDI** and select M.CMD.

M.CMD

2 Turn **VALUE** to set MIDI command transmitting and receiving.

  
VALUE

| MIDI Commands |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| OFF           | Neither transmit nor receive |
| Rx            | Only receive                 |
| Tx            | Only transmit                |
| Rx,Tx         | Transmit and receive         |

## Turning active sensing transmission on/off

1 Press **func** + **MIDI** and select TX.AS.

TX.AS

2 Turn **VALUE** to set it to on/off.

  
VALUE

| Active Sensing - Transmit |
|---------------------------|
| ON, OFF                   |

# MIDI


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## Turning on/off active sensing reception

1 Press **func** + **MIDI** and select RX.AS.

RX.AS

2 Turn **VALUE** to set it to on/off.

  
VALUE


|                          |
|--------------------------|
| Active Sensing - Receive |
| ON, OFF                  |

## Setting the channel for transmitting and receiving program changes

1 Press **func** + **MIDI** and select PC.CH.

PC.CH

2 Turn **VALUE** to set the program change channel.

  
VALUE


|                          |
|--------------------------|
| Program Change - Channel |
| AUTO, CH.01 - CH.16      |

## Turning on/off program change transmission

1 Press **func** + **MIDI** and select TX.PC.

TX.PC

2 Turn **VALUE** to set it to on/off.

  
VALUE

|                           |
|---------------------------|
| Program Change - Transmit |
| ON, OFF                   |

# MIDI

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## Turning on/off program change reception

1 Press **func** +  MIDI and select RX.PC.



2 Turn  VALUE to set it to on/off.

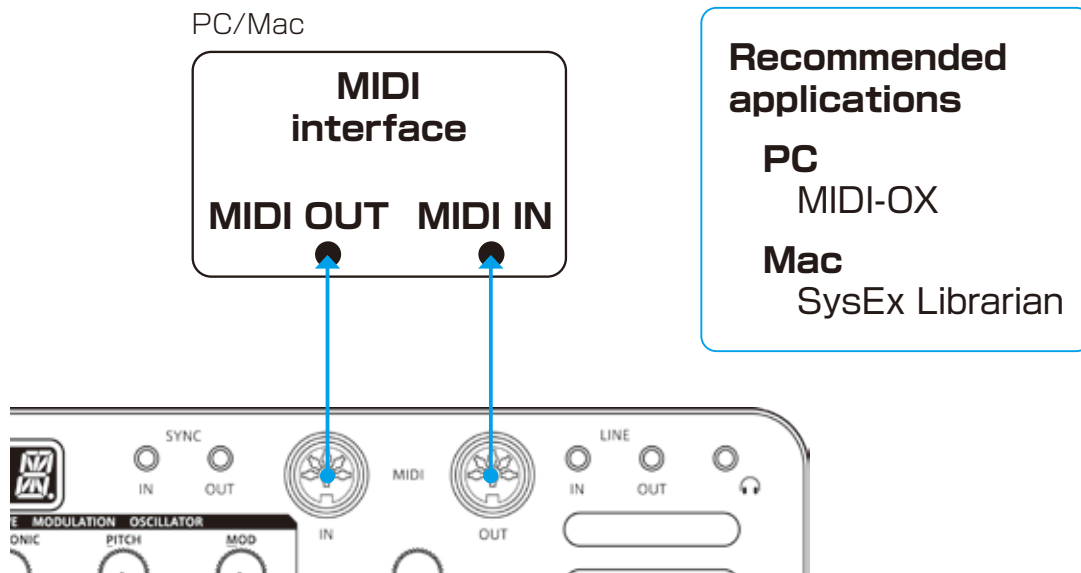
  
VALUE

|                                 |
|---------------------------------|
| <b>Program Change - Receive</b> |
| ON, OFF                         |

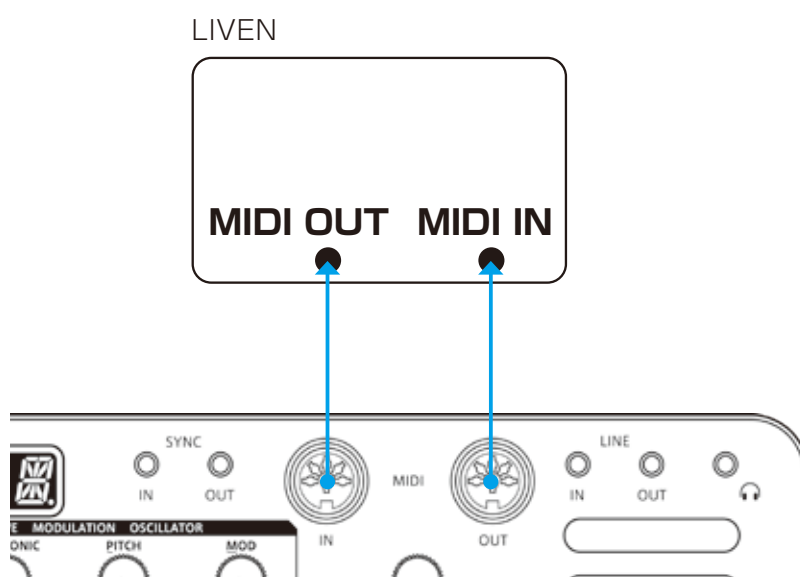


# Exporting/importing user data

## Connecting - Exporting/importing to/from a PC/Mac



## Connecting - Exporting/importing to/from another LIVEN



# Exporting/Importing user data

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## Exporting a single Pattern Palette

**1** Select the Pattern Palette you want to export. (→ P.15)

**2** Press **func** + **PTN** and select PT.EX.



**3** Set your PC to receive MIDI data.

**4** Press **OK**.



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• Press **CLR** to cancel.

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## Importing a single Pattern Palette

**1** Put the unit into regular mode, and start transmitting data from the transmitting device.



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• The received Pattern Palette will not be saved automatically. Save the Pattern Palette as necessary. (→ P.81)

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# Exporting/Importing user data

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## Backing up all user data at once

**1** Press **4** + the **POWER** switch to turn on the Ambient Ø.

**2** Turn **VALUE** to select EXPT.

A rectangular LCD display with a double border showing the text "EXPT" in a digital font.

**3** Press **OK**.

A rectangular LCD display with a double border showing the text "DONE" in a digital font.

- 
- The step LEDs show the progress. (They light from **1** in order. Transmission is complete when **1** - **16** have all lit.)
  - Press **CLR** to cancel.
  - The size of the backup data is 16,852,155 bytes.
  - If the size of the data is different, the backup might have failed. If this occurs, before step 3, while pressing **func**, turn **VALUE** to increase the transmission interval. (The default value is 0.)
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# Exporting/Importing user data


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## Restoring (importing) user data

**1** Press  + the **POWER** switch to turn on the Ambient Ø.





**2** Turn  VALUE to select IMPT.



**3** Press . This makes the unit ready to receive data.  
Start exporting from the sending device.

**4** When SAVE appears on the display after receiving completes, press  to restore (load) the received data.



- 
- The step LEDs show the progress. (They light from  in order. Transmission is complete when  -  have all lit.)
  - Press  to cancel.
-

# Exporting/Importing user data

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## Backing up all NOISE sample data at once

**1** Press  + the **POWER** switch to turn on the Ambient  $\emptyset$ .

**2** Turn  VALUE to select N.B.EX.



**3** Press .



• The step LEDs show the progress. (They light from  in order. Transmission is complete when  -  have all lit.)

• Press  to cancel.

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# Exporting/Importing user data

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## Restoring (importing) NOISE sample data

**1** Press **<** + the **POWER** switch to turn on the Ambient  $\emptyset$ .

**2** Turn **VALUE** to select N.B.IM.



**3** Press **OK**. This makes the unit ready to receive data.  
Start exporting from the sending device.

**4** When **SAVE** appears on the display after receiving completes, press **OK** to restore (load) the received data.



- The step LEDs show the progress. (They light from **1** in order. Transmission is complete when **1** - **16** have all lit.)
  - Press **CLR** to cancel.
  - The size of the backup data is 11,849,183 bytes.
  - If the size of the data is different, the backup might have failed. If this occurs, before step 3, while pressing **func**, turn **VALUE** to increase the transmission interval. (The default value is 0.)
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# System settings

## Setting the battery type

1 Press **func** + **SYSTEM** to select BATT.

BATT

2 Turn **VALUE** to select the battery type.

  
VALUE

| Battery |                                   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| ALKL    | Alkaline dry cell                 |
| NIMH    | Nickel-metal hydride rechargeable |
| LTHM    | Lithium dry cell                  |



- Please set this correctly because it effects operation time.
- The remaining charge shown could be higher than the actual amount depending on the type of rechargeable battery.

## Setting the automatic power down function

1 Press **func** + **SYSTEM** and select A.PWR.

A.PWR

2 Turn **VALUE** to select the automatic power down time.

  
VALUE

| Automatic power down time |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| OFF                       | Automatic power down is disabled.                                     |
| 0.5H                      | Power will turn off automatically after 30 minutes without operation. |
| 1H                        | Power will turn off automatically after 1 hour without operation.     |
| 3H                        | Power will turn off automatically after 3 hours without operation.    |
| 6H                        | Power will turn off automatically after 6 hours without operation.    |

# System settings

## Changing mute mode

1 Press **func** + **SYSTEM** to select MT.MD.



2 Turn **VALUE** to change mute mode.

  
VALUE

| Mute Mode |   |
|-----------|---|
| SND       | Mute all sound of muted Layer.  |
| SEQ       | Mute only notes from sequencer.<br>Layers can still be played by keyboard or external MIDI controllers.<br>Also parameter locking will still be active. |

## Setting the master tuning

1 Press **func** + **SYSTEM** to select TUNE.



2 Turn **VALUE** to set the master tuning.

  
VALUE

| Master Tune           |
|-----------------------|
| -75 - 0 - +75 (cents) |
| 410 - 440 - 470 (Hz)  |



- When the Tune Mode (→ P.105) is set to HZ, you can change the value in 0.1 increments by holding down **shift** and turning **VALUE**.
- When a certain temperament is set for a pattern, the Master Tune is disabled. (→ P.77)



# System settings

## Changing the tune mode

1 Press **func** +  to select TN.MD.



2 Turn  VALUE to change the mute mode.

| Tune Mode |           |  |
|-----------|-----------|--|
| CENT      | CENT mode | When changing the master tune, it can be set within a range of $\pm 75$ Cents. |
| HZ        | Hz mode   | When changing the master tune, it can be set within a range of 410 - 470Hz.    |

## Changing the range of pitch bend

1 Press **func** +  to select PB.RG.



2 Turn  VALUE to set the range of pitch bend.

  
VALUE

| Pitch Bend Range |
|------------------|
| 0 - 24           |

## Setting the headphone gain

1 Press **func** +  GAIN.



| Headphone Gain |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| LOUD           | Louder output   |
| NORM           | Factory default |
| SOFT           | Quieter output  |

# System settings

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## Setting knob movement behavior

- 1 Press **func** + **latch** to set whether or not latching is used for knob operation.

| Latch   |     |       |   |
|---|-----|-------|---|
|  | OFF | Jump  | When a knob is moved, the parameter changes immediately.  |
|  | ON  | Latch | The knob does not affect the parameter value until its position reaches the value saved in the Pattern Palette, after which the knob will change the parameter. |



- When set to Latch, the dots on the display will be animated to show how much the knob position and parameter value differs to the left or right.

The dots will appear to flow to the left when the parameter value is lower than the knob position and to the right when the value is higher than the position. The flow will be faster for higher values.

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# System settings

## Restoring to factory default settings (factory reset)

- 1 Press and hold **3** + **POWER switch** to turn on the Ambient  $\emptyset$ .



- 2 Press **OK**.  
The step LEDs will show the progress.  
When finished, OK will appear on the display.



• Press **CLR** to cancel.

• This will not restore sample waveform data to the factory default. To restore the sample waveform data, download it from the SONICWARE website and import it.

## Checking the system versions

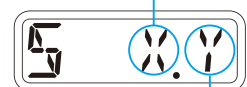
- 1 Press and hold **2** + **POWER switch** to turn on the Ambient  $\emptyset$ .



- 2 Press **PTN**, **1/3** and **2/4** to check the versions.

| Firmware Versions |       |                |
|-------------------|-------|----------------|
| <b>PTN</b>        | P X.Y | Preset version |
| <b>1/3</b>        | S X.Y | System version |
| <b>2/4</b>        | B X.Y | Boot version   |

Major version



Minor version



• Press the same **PTN**, **1/3** or **2/4** again to show the build number.

# System settings

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## Updating the firmware

- 1 Press and hold **shift** + **the POWER switch** to turn on the Ambient Ø.



- 2 Transmit the firmware (Sys Ex data) from a PC/Mac.



- 
- The step LEDs show the progress of data transmission. (They light from ① in order. Transmission is complete when ① - ⑱ have all lit.)
- 

- 3 After transmission completes, press **OK** to execute the update.



- 
- If the update occurred properly, OK will be shown. ( If a problem occurred, an error code will be shown.)
- 

- 4 Restart the unit.



- 
- Use new batteries or an AC adapter.
  - Never interrupt the power during a firmware update.
  - Press **CLR** to cancel the update and start up normally.
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# System settings

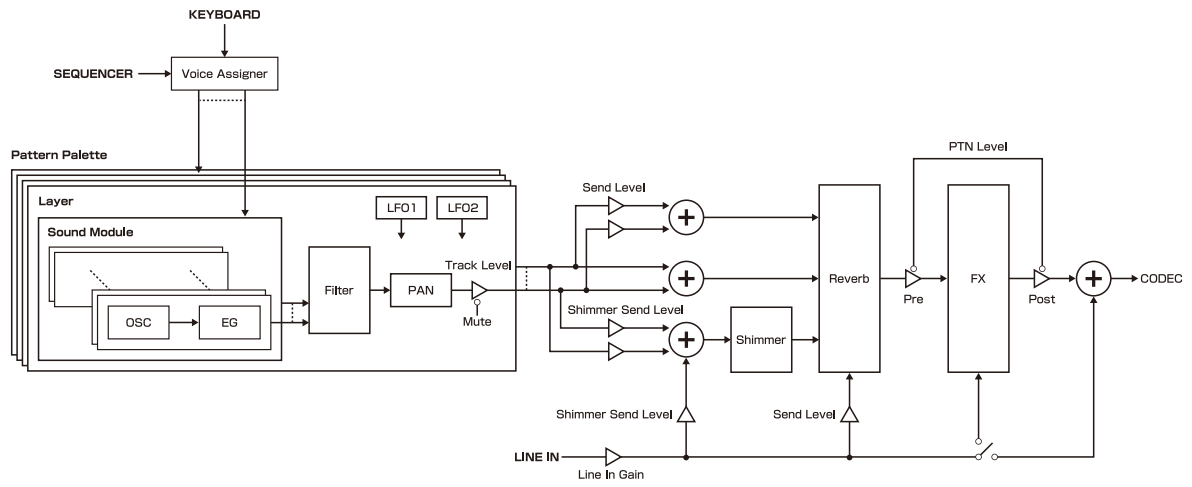
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## Error codes

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| <i>ER.10</i> | System error             |
| <i>ER.11</i> | Low battery              |
| <i>ER.20</i> | Data receiving error     |
| <i>ER.21</i> | Invalid data             |
| <i>ER.22</i> | No need to update (Boot) |
| <i>ER.30</i> | Update Failed            |

# Appendix

## Figure 1. Sound architecture



# The Healing Power of Solfeggio Frequencies

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## Introduction

Sound has been used as a tool for healing, meditation, and spiritual transformation for thousands of years. Ancient cultures recognized that specific frequencies have the power to influence the mind, body, and spirit, leading to profound states of balance and well-being. Among these healing sounds, the Solfeggio frequencies hold a special place.

The Solfeggio frequencies are a set of **nine specific tones** that are believed to resonate with the natural frequencies of the universe. These frequencies were rediscovered in the 20th century, but their roots trace back to ancient Gregorian chants and sacred music. Each Solfeggio frequency is said to correspond with different aspects of **our physical, emotional, and spiritual health**, facilitating

deep healing, transformation, and higher states of consciousness.

Scientific studies have shown that sound vibrations can influence **brain waves, cellular structures, and energy fields**. When we listen to these frequencies, we align ourselves with their energetic patterns, promoting healing on multiple levels. Whether used in meditation, energy healing, or sound therapy, Solfeggio frequencies can be powerful tools for personal growth and well-being.

This column explores the unique properties and benefits of each of the nine Solfeggio frequencies, offering insights into how they can support healing and transformation.

## The 9 Solfeggio Frequencies and Their Benefits

### 1. 174 Hz – Foundation & Pain Relief

The lowest of the Solfeggio frequencies, 174 Hz, is deeply grounding and stabilizing. It is known for its ability to:

- Reduce physical pain, tension, and inflammation
- Promote deep relaxation and a sense of security
- Support the healing of muscles, tissues, and organs
- Foster feelings of stability and protection

### 2. 285 Hz – Tissue Repair & Energy Healing

285 Hz is associated with cellular regeneration and energetic healing. This frequency is beneficial for:

- Accelerating the healing of wounds, burns, and damaged tissues

- Strengthening the immune system and cellular repair
- Balancing and restoring personal energy fields
- Enhancing overall vitality and well-being

### 3. 396 Hz – Liberation from Fear & Guilt

396 Hz is the frequency of emotional release, helping to clear subconscious fears and guilt. Its effects include:

- Dissolving negative thought patterns and limiting beliefs
- Encouraging confidence, courage, and inner strength
- Supporting emotional balance and resilience
- Providing a sense of safety and empowerment

#### **4. 417 Hz – Undoing Negativity & Facilitating Change**

417 Hz is a frequency of transformation, helping to clear past traumas and facilitate new beginnings.

It is effective for:

- Releasing negative energy and emotional blockages
- Encouraging personal growth and adaptability to change
- Boosting creativity and problem-solving abilities
- Restoring balance to the mind, body, and spirit

#### **5. 528 Hz – DNA Repair & Transformation (Love Frequency)**

Often called the “Love Frequency,” 528 Hz is linked to miracles, healing, and DNA repair. It is known to:

- Stimulate the repair and regeneration of DNA
- Enhance feelings of love, harmony, and peace
- Reduce stress, anxiety, and emotional distress
- Support deep transformation and higher consciousness

#### **6. 639 Hz – Connection & Harmonizing Relationships**

639 Hz is associated with relationships, communication, and harmony. This frequency helps to:

- Improve communication, understanding, and empathy
- Strengthen relationships with family, friends, and partners
- Enhance emotional intelligence and interpersonal connections

- Promote peace, forgiveness, and unity

#### **7. 741 Hz – Detoxification & Awakening Intuition**

741 Hz is the frequency of cleansing and mental clarity. It is effective in:

- Detoxifying the body, mind, and environment
- Removing negative influences and electromagnetic radiation
- Strengthening intuition and decision-making abilities
- Enhancing spiritual awakening and self-expression

#### **8. 852 Hz – Awakening & Spiritual Growth**

852 Hz is linked to higher consciousness and inner wisdom. It helps with:

- Activating the Third Eye and expanding awareness
- Deepening intuition and spiritual insight
- Releasing fears and limitations that block spiritual growth
- Connecting with higher states of consciousness

#### **9. 963 Hz – Divine Connection & Oneness**

963 Hz is often referred to as the “Frequency of the Gods.” This powerful frequency is associated with:

- Activating the Pineal Gland and spiritual awakening
- Experiencing oneness with the Universe and Divine energy
- Enhancing states of bliss, enlightenment, and deep peace
- Aligning with the highest vibrations of consciousness

## **Conclusion**

The Solfeggio frequencies offer a profound way to **restore balance, healing, and harmony in our lives**. Whether you use them in meditation, sound baths, or energy healing sessions, their vibrations work on a

deep level to support physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being. As you explore these frequencies, allow yourself to be open to their transformative power and experience the benefits they bring.

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# Specifications

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| Synthesizer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Note Hold function</li><li>· 128 Sound Pattern Palettes (incl. 64 types of preset palettes)</li><li>· Mixing including level/pan for each layer</li><li>· Layer (Sound) copy and paste function</li><li>· Tune All function changes the pitch of all layers ( ± 1 octave in 20-cent steps, adjustable in 1-cent step)</li><li>· Standard polyphony: 10 voices (depending the structure' s oscillators x simultaneous voices)</li></ul> <p>4 Layer Construction<br/>Drone, Pad, Atmos Layers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· New Blendwave Modulation Synthesis for creating undulating and fluctuating tones</li><li>· 6 Structures, 32 Waves</li><li>Drone 1: 2 oscillators, modulates Detune</li><li>Drone 2: 2 oscillators, modulates Harmonics</li><li>Pad 1: 3 oscillators, modulates Harmonics</li><li>Pad 2: 3 oscillators, modulates Harmonics</li><li>Atmos 1: 3 oscillator, ring modulation on output</li><li>Atmos 2: 3 oscillators (frequency modulation), modulates Pitch</li></ul> <p>&lt;Voice mode&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Polyphonic mode</li><li>· Mono mode (adjustable glide time)</li><li>· Legato mode (adjustable glide time)</li><li>· Unison mode (adjustable detune)</li><li>· Arpeggiator modes (Up, Down, UpDown, DownUp, Up&amp;Down, Down&amp;Up, Up+1, Up+2, Down-1, Down-2, Random, Play Order)</li></ul> <p>Noise Layer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· 1 Structure, 8 Waves</li><li>Noise: 1 oscillator, modulates Pitch</li><li>· Loop or One-shot playback, White noise mixing</li><li>· 16bit - 32kHz Linear PCM sampling (stereo)</li><li>· Up to 8 seconds of sampling per sample (crossfade settings from 1 to 4 seconds)</li><li>· Auto start sampling function with the input level (input level can be set)</li><li>· Import and export of a slot of samples (via MIDI)</li></ul> <p><b>*Import of audio files from PC/Mac is not supported.</b></p> <p>&lt;Voice Mode&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Polyphonic mode</li><li>· Mono mode (adjustable glide time)</li><li>· Legato mode (adjustable glide time)</li><li>· Arpeggiator modes (Up, Down, UpDown, DownUp, Up&amp;Down, Down&amp;Up, Up+1, Up+2, Down-1, Down-2, Random, Play Order)</li></ul> <p>Each layer has its own envelope, filter and 2LFOs.</p> <p>&lt;Envelope generator&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Attack</li><li>· Release</li></ul> <p>&lt;Filter&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Low Pass Filter</li><li>· High Pass Filter</li><li>· Band Pass Filter</li></ul> <p>&lt;LFO&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· 2 LFOs assignable to various parameters (individually adjustable)</li><li>· Adjustable LFO Shapes and trigger count</li></ul> |
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| Effects   | <p>9 types of high-quality reverb (Send amount to reverb and shimmer adjustable per layer)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Small.L</li> <li>· Small.M</li> <li>· Small.H</li> <li>· Large.L</li> <li>· Large.M</li> <li>· Large.H</li> <li>· Infinity.L</li> <li>· Infinity.M</li> <li>· Infinity.H</li> </ul> <p>6 types of diverse master effects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Tape Delay</li> <li>· Reverse Delay</li> <li>· Overdrive</li> <li>· Bit/Rate Crush</li> <li>· Tilt EQ</li> <li>· Stereo Chorus</li> </ul>  |
| Sequencer | <p>[Sequencer]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 4 tracks (1 track on each layer)</li> <li>· Up to 64 steps per pattern</li> <li>· Step length can be set from 1/1 to 1/32 or 2/1 (Breve) to 8/1 (Maxima)</li> <li>· Real-time recording</li> <li>· Overwrite REC function for real-time sequence replacement</li> <li>· Directly enter notes for each step when playback is on or off</li> <li>· Enter longer notes (Tied notes)</li> <li>· Metronome and pre-count function</li> <li>· Step copy and paste function</li> <li>· Track copy and paste function</li> <li>· Duplicate to extend a sequence</li> <li>· Transpose function</li> <li>· Pattern BPM / Global BPM can be set</li> <li>· Pattern chain function (Loop playback possible)</li> <li>· Track level and pan can be set independently</li> <li>· Parameter Lock function to record parameter settings for each step</li> <li>· Sound Lock function to record sound settings for each step</li> <li>· Note playback probability can be set from 25 to 100% for each step</li> <li>· RANDOM function to play back steps in random order</li> </ul> |
| MIDI      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Notes, control changes, clock input/output</li> <li>· IMPORT/EXPORT of user data</li> <li>· Firmware update via Sysex</li> </ul>  |
| Main unit | <p>&lt; Keyboard &gt;<br/>27 keys (with a hold function)</p> <p>&lt;Knobs&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 15 physical control knobs</li> <li>· Optional LATCH function prevents jumps in value when knob position and parameter values do not match.</li> <li>· One physical encoder for fine adjustments.</li> <li>· LCD dot indicates when a parameter value matches the saved value, or when the value has been changed.</li> </ul>  |

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| Main unit   | <p>&lt; Audio in &gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· LINE IN (stereo 3.5mm mini-jack)</li> <li>· Compatible with Teenage Engineering Pocket Operator Series SYNC IN</li> </ul> <p>&lt; Audio out &gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Stereo line out (stereo 3.5mm mini jack)</li> <li>· Headphone out (stereo 3.5mm mini jack)</li> <li>· Compatible with Teenage Engineering Pocket Operator Series SYNC OUT</li> <li>· Built in speaker</li> </ul> <p>&lt; Interfaces &gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· MIDI IN connector (5-Pin DIN type)</li> <li>· MIDI OUT connector (5-Pin DIN type)</li> <li>· SYNC IN jack (monaural 3.5mm mini jack)</li> <li>· SYNC OUT jack (monaural 3.5mm mini jack)</li> </ul> <p>&lt; Size &gt;</p> <p>297mm (W) x 176mm (D) x 48mm (H)<br/> 11.7 in (W) x 6.92 in (D) x 1.89 in (H)</p> <p>&lt; Weight &gt;</p> <p>790g<br/> 1.74lb.</p> <p>&lt; Power supply &gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 9V DC output AC adapter</li> <li>Current: 1A or greater</li> <li>Plug Type: EIAJ3 Standard</li> <li>Inner Diameter: 1.7mm</li> <li>Outer Diameter: 4.75mm,</li> <li>Polarity: Center +</li> <li>· Compatible with power supplies designed for the Korg Volca.</li> <li>· 6 AA batteries</li> </ul> <p><b>*The AC adapter and batteries are not included.</b></p> |
| Accessories | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Warranty</li> </ul>   |