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# Musician's Guide

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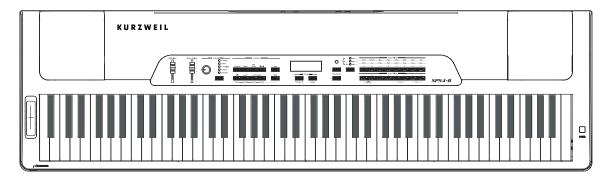
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# Chapter 1 Introduction

Congratulations on your purchase of a Kurzweil SPS4!

This manual will help you get acquainted with your new instrument. Be sure to keep the manual on hand as you continue to familiarize yourself with the features and functions of the SPS4.



# **Main Features**

The SPS4 is a professional performance instrument. It boasts 128 excellent sounds (including the famous Kurzweil Grand Piano) already on-board and ready to be played. It is also a capable MIDI controller ideally suited for controlling additional sound modules and as input to a sequencer.

# **Keyboard and Controllers**

The SPS4 has an 88-key graded hammer-weighted keyboard action that provides you with a piano-like feel without adding excessive weight to the instrument. The array of physical controllers includes:

- · a pitch touchpad
- a modulation slider
- an assignable control knob, which can control a parameter of your choosing

#### Staying Current

• on the rear panel, two jacks for optional pedal controllers: one for a switch pedal and the other for a continuous controller pedal.

# **Pedals (Optional)**

As described above, the SPS4 has two jacks on the rear panel for optional pedal controllers. One of these jacks is for one or two switch pedals, which are typically used to control two-state (i.e., on / off) parameters such as sustain and mute zone. The other jack is for a continuous control (or CC) pedal typically used to control a multi-state (i.e., "continuous") parameter such as filter frequency or LFO amount.

Note that switch pedals can be used to control continuous parameters just as continuous control pedals can be used to control two-state parameters.

Your Kurzweil dealer stocks the following pedals:

•	FS-1	Standard box-shaped switch pedal
•	KFP-1	Single piano-style switch pedal
•	KFP-2S	Double piano-style switch pedal unit (one stereo plug)
•	CC-1	Continuous pedal

# **Staying Current**

Be sure to check the Kurzweil Music Systems website at <u>www.Kurzweil.com</u> for new documentation and software updates before using your new instrument.

# Do You Have Everything?

Your SPS4 package should contain the following in addition to your instrument:

- Power cable and 19V 3.42A power adapter
- Sustain pedal
- USB cable (Type-A-to-Type-B)
- *Musician's Guide* (this book)
- Warranty card

If you don't have all of these components, please contact your Kurzweil / Young Chang dealer.

Your SPS4 has a built-in sound system so it is ready to play with only the factory provided accessories required. The next chapter tells you how to get started with your new instrument.

# **Chapter 2 Getting Started**

This chapter will help you hook up your SPS4 to your external sound system (if desired) and MIDI system. If hooking up new gear is familiar to you, then simply read the following two sections in this chapter. If you need more information, then be sure to read this chapter in its entirety.

# Before You Start...

Don't connect anything until you make sure your SPS4 is properly and safely situated. If your SPS4 has been out in the cold, give it time to warm up to room temperature before starting it, since condensation may have formed inside.

# **Quick Start**

# **Make Connections**

- 1. Set the keyboard on a hard, flat, level surface.
- 2. Connect the power cable to the adapter then plug the adapter's DC power cord into your SPS4. Finally, plug the power cable into the wall.
- 3. Make sure your it is at a safe volume level. Also make sure that the SPS4's MASTER VOLUME slider (on the left side of the front panel) is all the way down.
- 4. If using an external sound system, run standard (1/4-inch) audio cables from your amplifier or mixer to the Audio Outputs on the SPS4 (use the Left out for mono). Balanced ("TRS" or "Stereo") cables are recommended.
- 5. If you wish to use a CD or MP3 player or connect a second keyboard to the amplifier/speaker of your SPS4, use a pair of standard 1/4" cables from your player or keyboard to the SPS4's Audio Inputs.

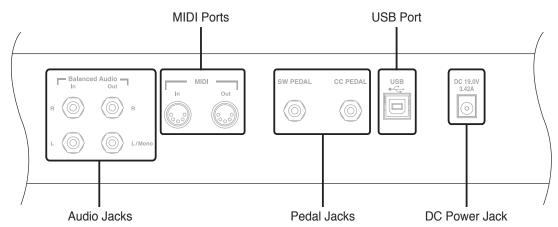
Start Up Details: The Rear Panel

### **Use Your SPS4**

- 1. Power up your SPS4 first, and then raise the MASTER VOLUME slider. The SPS4 starts up in Program mode by default. Press one of the Function buttons to the left of the display to switch Modes.
- 2. If you hear distortion, in your external sound system, reduce the gain on your mixing board, or use the pad (a switch that decreases the input audio signal level, typically by 20dB) if it has one.
- 3. Scroll through the program list with the Previous and Next buttons under the display, or with the dedicated Bank, Group Select, and Sound Select buttons, and try the SPS4's many sounds. Take note that the User Bank is initially empty.

# Start Up Details: The Rear Panel

All of the connections take place on the rear panel of the SPS4, pictured below:



# The MIDI (IN and OUT) Ports

Use the MIDI ports to communicate with other MIDI modules and controllers. The OUT port is the MIDI transmitting port, and the IN port is the MIDI receiving port.

# The Pedal Jacks

Use the two pedal jacks to connect controller pedals to the SPS4.

#### The Sustain (FOOT SW) Jack

Use the FOOT SW jack to connect a switch pedal. A switch pedal is a physical controller typically used to control two-state (i.e., "on / off") parameters, such as sustain and mute zone. Note that switch pedals can be used to control "continuous" parameters as well.

Start Up Details: The Rear Panel

The jack will also accept a dual switch pedal having a single stereo plug that is available separately (Kurzweil KFP-2S). For more information on connecting pedals, see *Connecting Pedals on page 2-6*.

#### The CC PEDAL Jack

Use the CC PEDAL jack to connect a continuous control (or CC) pedal. A CC pedal is a physical controller typically used to control multi-state (i.e., "continuous") parameters such as filter frequency or LFO amount. Note that CC pedals can be used to control "on / off" parameters as well.

For more information on connecting pedals, see Connecting Pedals on page 2-6 below.

## **The USB Port**

Use the USB port to connect the SPS4 to a computer in order to do the following:

- Use the SPS4 as a MIDI controller with a sequencer computer program.
- Use the computer to manage the user data contents of the SPS4.
- Update the software and sounds of the SPS4.

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# The Audio Out (LEFT/MONO and RIGHT) Jacks

Use the LEFT/MONO and RIGHT audio jacks to connect the SPS4 to an external amplifier or mixer.

# The Audio In Jacks

Use the LEFT and RIGHT Audio Input jacks to connect a CD or MP3 player or the audio from a second keyboard to the sound system of your SPS4. These are "TRS" balanced inputs. Using 1/4" balanced (stereo) cables will usually lessen extraneous noises such as power line hum.

# The DC Power Jack

Use the DC power jack to connect the DC power supply.

# The HEADPHONES Jack (left cheekblock)

Use the HEADPHONES jack to listen to the SPS4 on stereo headphones. You will need a 1/4-inch-to-1/8-inch adapter in order to use headphones with a mini plug.

Connecting the Power Cable (Line Cord)

# **Connecting the Power Cable (Line Cord)**

The SPS4 runs on 19 volts DC power and requires 3.4 amps to power the built-in amplifier. Your dealer will provide the voltage adapter and power cord to match the AC power in your area: 100, 120, 230, or 240 volts at 50–60 Hz. Plug the adapter into a wall outlet, and then connect the adapter to the DC power jack.

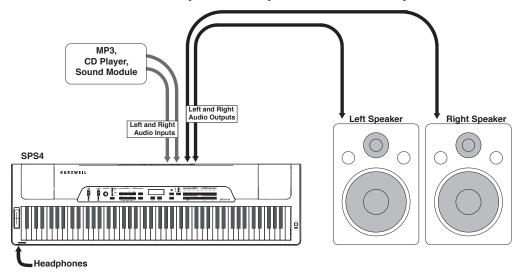
# **Connecting to an External Audio System**

Although your SPS4 contains a built-in high quality amplifier and speakers suitable for solo playing in a small room, you may wish to use a more powerful external sound system for large rooms and group playing. Needed are a pair of audio cables with 1/4" plugs on one end and plugs compatible with your sound system on the other. If connecting to a mixer, "balanced" (stereo) cables may transfer a stronger signal and lessen noise.

After you've turned down the level on your sound system, connect the SPS4's analog audio outputs to your sound system using a pair of stereo or mono audio cables. Mono cables will always work, but if you're going into balanced inputs, use stereo cables for a better signal-to-noise ratio and a bit more volume: the SPS4's analog outputs are balanced.

You'll find two 1/4-inch balanced audio output jacks on the rear panel. For now, connect one end of each audio cable to your mixing board or PA system inputs, and connect the other end to the jacks marked LEFT and RIGHT on the rear panel of the SPS4. If you have only one input available, use the SPS4's Left output to get the full signal in mono. Use the front-mounted jack marked HEADPHONES to listen to the SPS4 on headphones. Note that when headphones are plugged in, the built-in speakers are muted but sound still comes through the LEFT and RIGHT audio jacks.

#### SPS4 connected to powered speakers and headphones



#### Connecting to an External Audio System

Your SPS4 features Left and Right audio input jacks for connecting to external signal sources such as CD or MP3 players or a second keyboard. The audio input signal is mixed with the SPS4's own signal then the mixture is sent to the speakers, headphone jacks, and audio output jacks. Note that the VOLUME slider only affects the volume of the SPS4 signal.

The Audio Input jacks are balanced so if your signal source has a balanced output and balanced cables are used to connect, extraneous noises such as power line hum, are greatly reduced.

# MP3, CD Player, Sound Module Left and Right Audio Inputs SPS4 Right Speaker Right Speaker Right Speaker Right Speaker

Headphones

SPS4 connected to a mixer, powered speakers and headphones

Connecting Pedals

# **Connecting Pedals**

Plug your switch or continuous pedals into the corresponding jacks on the SPS4's rear panel. We recommend using the Kurzweil pedals described in *Pedals (Optional) on page 1-2*, but you can use almost any switch or continuous pedal that adheres to the following specifications (as most pedals do):

Switch pedals 1/4-inch tip-sleeve (mono) plug

**Continuous (CC) pedals** 10-kOhm linear-taper potentiometer, 1/4-inch tip-

ring-sleeve (stereo) plug with the wiper connected to

the tip

The pedals are independently assignable within each zone of every setup. Here are the default settings for the three pedals you can use with the SPS4:

Switch Pedal 1 Controller 64 (Sustain)

Switch Pedal 2 Controller 66 (Sostenuto)

**CC Pedal** Controller 11 (Expression / Volume)



NOTE: Be sure not to step on the switch pedals when powering up your Stage Piano!

# **Connecting a Switch Pedal**

When plugged into the SW PEDAL jack on the rear-panel, a single switch pedal will, by default, act like a sustain pedal. Of course this can be changed by programming, as described in *Setup Mode on page 7-1*.

If you use a third-party (non-Kurzweil) switch pedal, make sure it's connected before you turn on your SPS4. This ensures that the pedal will work properly (it might function in reverse—off when it's down and on when it's up—if you turn on your SPS4 before plugging in the pedal). Similarly, don't press any of your switch pedals while powering up, as the SPS4 verifies each pedal's orientation during power up—if you're pressing a pedal, you might cause it to work in reverse.

See Switch Pedal Problems on page 12-5 if you are having trouble with your switch pedal.

#### **Connecting Dual Switch Pedals**

The jack will also accept a dual switch pedal having a single stereo plug. The plug should be wired so that the left pedal connects to the ring contact and the right pedal to the tip contact. It's also possible to use two single pedals with this jack: first buy a 1/4-inch stereo-to-dual-mono Y adapter (this will have two mono 1/4-inch phone jacks and a stereo 1/4-inch plug); then, plug the pedal you wish to use for sustain into the left jack and your sostenuto pedal into the right jack. Note that the "left" pedal goes into the right jack and vice-versa.

**Connecting Pedals** 

By default, the right pedal will control sustain as before and the left pedal will control the sostenuto function. If you're not familiar with traditional piano technique, the sostenuto (center) pedal on a grand piano allows one to hold chords in the bass while continuing to play the melody without the latter notes sustaining. Any keys that are down when you depress the pedal will sustain when you let go of the keys, but new notes played afterward will not be sustained. Releasing the pedal puts things back to normal. Of course it can be programmed to do other functions as well.

# **Connecting a Control Pedal**

A control pedal can be very useful for controlling volume, vibrato, or other effect by foot. The Kurzweil CC-1 control pedal will work best with the SPS4, but it is also possible to use third-party control pedals designed for synthesizers. Note that a volume pedal may or may not be satisfactory depending on how it is constructed.

See Control Pedal Problems on page 12-6 if you are having trouble with your control pedal.

Connecting MIDI

# **Connecting MIDI**

In addition to being a performance-suited musical instrument, the SPS4 is a powerful, but intuitive and easy-to-use MIDI controller. For descriptions of how to customize your SPS4 as MIDI controller, and how to use its MIDI controller capabilities to their fullest potential, see *Setup Mode on page 7-1*.

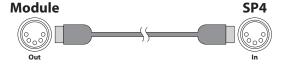
# **Basic MIDI Hookup**

To use the SPS4 as a MIDI controller for another sound module, use a MIDI cable to connect the MIDI port marked "OUT" to the MIDI input port of the module that you want to control.

You may also connect the audio output of the module to the SPS4's sound system with two audio cables, see "Connecting to an External Audio System" on page 2-4. Even if you are not using the SPS4's speakers, it will mix the module's sounds with your SPS4's own sounds and present the mix on the Audio Output jacks.



To control the SPS4 using another MIDI controller, use a MIDI cable to connect the MIDI port marked "IN" to the MIDI output port of the controller that you will be using.



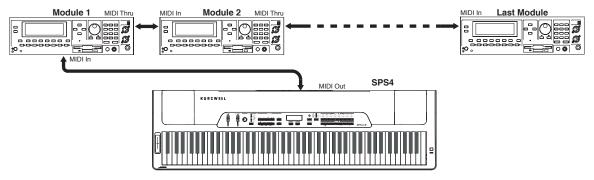
# **Connecting More Sound Modules**

In order to connect multiple sound modules to be controlled by a single MIDI controller, your SPS4 must either be (1) used as the controller or (2) be the last module in the MIDI daisy chain. This is because the SPS4 does not include a THRU MIDI port; however, this simply means that the SPS4 must be at the start or at the end of the MIDI daisy chain.

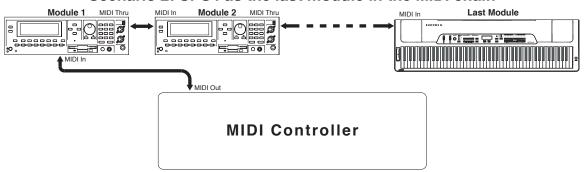
Using the SPS4 as the controller, connect the MIDI OUT port to the MIDI IN port of the first module, and then connect that module's MIDI THRU port to the input of the next module, and so on, until the last module is connected. The MIDI chain should end in the MIDI IN port of the last module.

Connecting MIDI

#### Scenario 1: SPS4 as the MIDI controller



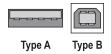
#### Scenario 2: SPS4 as the last module in the MIDI chain



# **Connecting to a Computer Sequencer**

To connect your SPS4 to a computer as a MIDI controller, simply connect the SPS4 to your computer using the provided cable. If you wish to use your own cable, make sure that it is a Type-A-to-Type-B USB cable (the USB port of the SPS4 being Type B). By default, the SPS4 will act as a MIDI controller (rather than a hard drive) when connected to a computer.

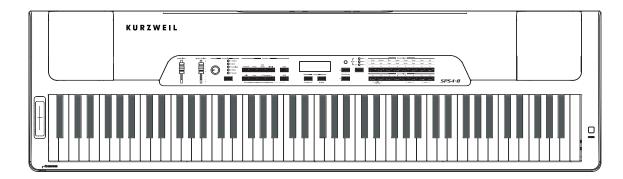
If you are using a software synthesizer ("Plug-in") or MP3 playback application on your computer, you may connect the computer's Line Out audio output to the Audio In jacks of your SPS4 to use it's sound system. This is especially useful if using your SPS4 as a high quality native sound source and as a controller for a soft synth because both sounds will come from the same speakers.



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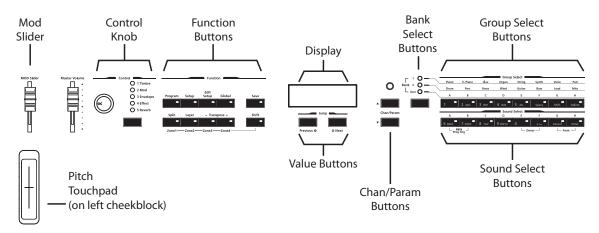
# **Chapter 3 Features of the SPS4**

This chapter will help you familiarize yourself with the features of the SPS4. Many of these features have both general functions and Mode-specific functions. For more in-depth descriptions of these features, refer to the chapters on the individual Modes.



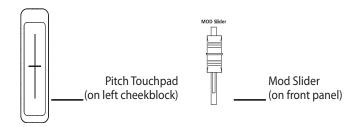
# **The Front Panel**

On the front panel of the SPS4 are all of its controls, both musical and navigational.



Pitch and Mod Controllers

# **Pitch and Mod Controllers**



# **Pitch Touchpad**

The pitch touchpad is located on the left cheekblock. It works much like a traditional pitch wheel or pitch bender lever but is more compact and less prone to wear out.

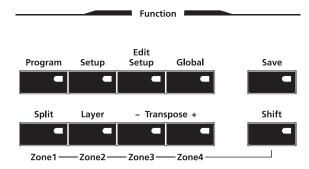
Like a bend lever or wheel, when not touched it is virtually centered and true pitch is heard. Touching above the horizontal embossing will bend pitch upward, up to a whole tone sharp. Touching below the embossing will bend pitch downward, up to a whole tone flat. Smooth bends are achieved by placing your finger where the horizontal and vertical embossings cross and then sliding your finger along the vertical embossing while maintaining contact. To restore normal pitch smoothly, slide back toward center. Or, simply release and the bend will spring back to center (none).

## **Mod Slider**

The mod slider is the leftmost slider control on the front panel. The mod slider is not spring loaded so its handle remains where last released. Typically, the mod slider is assigned to a parameter that alters some aspect of the sound (e.g., vibrato, filter depth) when changed.

# **Function Buttons**

The Function buttons are located beneath the "Function" label on the left side of the front panel. In addition to changing operating Modes, these buttons serve Mode-specific secondary functions.



# **Program Button**

Pressing the **Program** button will take you into Program Mode (described in *The Operating Modes on page 5-1* and, in further detail, in *Program Mode on page 6-1*). In Program Mode, you can select and play different sounds (or "Programs").

This button's LED will be illuminated when you are in Program Mode.

# **Setup Button**

Pressing the **Setup** button will take you into Setup Mode (described in *The Operating Modes on page 5-1* and, in further detail, in *Setup Mode on page 7-1*). In Setup Mode, you can select different configurations (or "Setups") of Programs, controller assignments, and MIDI channel assignments.

This button's LED will be illuminated when you are in Setup Mode.

# **Edit Setup Button**

Pressing the **Edit Setup** button will take you into Edit Setup Mode (described in *The Operating Modes on page 5-1* and, in further detail, in *Edit Setup Mode on page 8-1*). In Edit Setup Mode, you can edit or create Setups.

This button's LED will be illuminated when you are in Edit Setup Mode.

# **Global Button**

Pressing the **Global** button will take you into Global Mode (described in *The Operating Modes on page 5-1* and, in further detail, in *Global Mode on page 9-1*). In Global Mode, you can edit parameters that control the entire SPS4. These include tuning, transposition, and velocity and aftertouch sensitivity. Additionally, you can perform a hard reset in this Mode.



CAUTION: PERFORMING A HARD RESET WILL DELETE ALL USER-CREATED PROGRAMS, SETUPS, AND GLOBAL SETTINGS.

This button's LED will be illuminated when you are in Global Mode.

# **Save Button**

Pressing the **Save** button will allow you to save any custom Programs or Setups that you've created, or save any changes made to the current Program or Setup. This button's LED will appear illuminated once you have made changes to the current Program or Setup.

**Function Buttons** 

# Split (Zone 1) Button

Pressing the **Split** button will perform the Split Function. With the Split Function, you can split the keyboard into up to four Zones, and assign different programs, MIDI settings, and transpositions to each Zone. The Split Function is described further in *The Split Function on page 5-4*.

When in Setup Mode, holding down the **Shift** button while pressing the **Split** button will mute or unmute (depending on the state of the zone) Zone 1 of the current setup.

# Layer (Zone 2) Button

Pressing the **Layer** button will perform the Layer Function. With the Layer Function, you can layer up to four different programs and setups – each layer is a new Zone, of which you can have a maximum of four. The Layer Function is described further in *The Layer Function on page 5-4*.

When in Setup Mode, holding down the **Shift** button while pressing the **Layer** button will mute or unmute (depending on the state of the zone) Zone 2 of the current setup.

# Transpose (Zone 3 and Zone 4) Buttons

Pressing the **Transpose** + button will transpose the current program or setup up by one semitone; pressing the **Transpose** – button will transpose the current program or setup down by one semitone. Pressing both **Transpose** + and **Transpose** – simultaneously will restore the current program or setup to having no transposition; if these two buttons are simultaneously pressed when there is already no transposition, then the current program or setup will be transposed down by one octave (12 semitones).

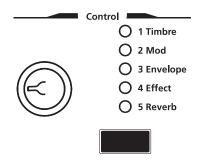
When in Setup Mode, holding down the **Shift** button while pressing the **Transpose** – button will mute or unmute (depending on the state of the zone) Zone 3 of the current setup. Holding down the **Shift** button while pressing the **Transpose** + button will mute or unmute (depending on the state of the zone) Zone 4 of the current setup.

# **Shift Button**

When in Setup Mode, holding down the **Shift** button activates the secondary functions (i.e., Zone mute) of the **Split, Layer, Transpose** –, and **Transpose** + buttons. When holding down the **Shift** button, the button of each active zone will be illuminated and the button of each muted zone will be blinking.

# **The Control Knob**

The assignable control knob is a powerful and flexible—yet intuitive—feature of the SPS4. It provides you with real-time control of five parameters. In Program Mode and Setup Mode, these parameters are preset. In Edit Setup Mode, you can change what these parameters are.



The control knob gives you real-time control of five different parameters—the currently selected parameter is indicated by the column of LEDs. By default these five parameters are:

- 1 Timbre
- 2 Mod
- 3 Envelope
- 4 Effect
- 5 Reverb

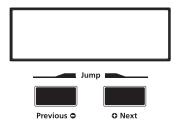
You can change what these five parameters are in Edit Setup Mode (see *Edit Setup Mode on page 8-1*).

Pressing the **Control Select** button (located beneath the column of LEDs) changes the currently selected parameter that is affected by the control knob.

Display and Value Buttons

# **Display and Value Buttons**

The alphanumeric display and Value buttons below it are located close to the center of the front panel.



# Previous (-) and Next (+) Value Buttons

Use the **Next** and **Previous** buttons to scroll through the list of items on the display. Pressing both the **Next** and **Previous** buttons simultaneously will jump to the first entry of the next category of items in the list. For example, when in Program Mode with program 1 **Studio Grand** currently selected, pressing **Next** and **Previous** simultaneously will jump up the list of program to program 8 **Stevie's Rhds**, the first of the Electric Piano programs. Pressing the two buttons again will jump up to program **16 Supasticious**, the first of the Clavinet programs.

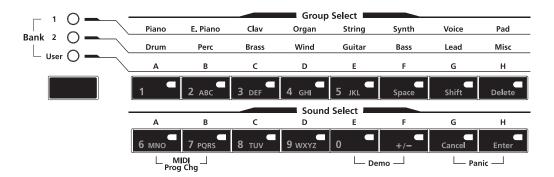
# **Chan / Param Buttons**



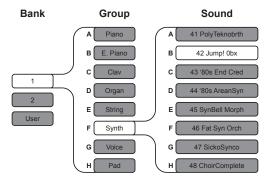
In Program Mode, pressing the **Chan / Param Up** ( $\wedge$ ) button will change the MIDI transmit channel from the current channel to the next one; pressing the **Chan / Param Down** ( $\vee$ ) button will change the MIDI transmit channel from the current channel to the previous one.

In the all of the Modes other than Program Mode and Setup Mode—i.e., Edit Setup, Global, and System—pressing the **Chan / Param** buttons will scroll through the parameter list of the current Mode.

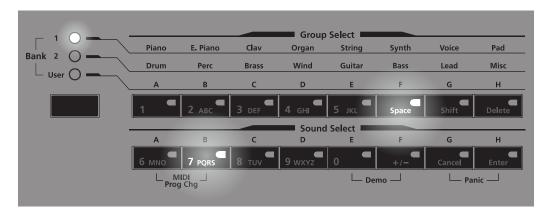
# **Object Select Buttons**



The Object Select Buttons are located on the right side of the front panel. Note that there are three types of Object Select Buttons: Bank Select, Group Select, and Sound Select. The Programs and Setups of the SPS4 are organized in three levels of organization: eight Sounds make up a Group, eight Groups make up a Bank. The following figure illustrates this organization using the Program 42 Jump! 0bx as an example:

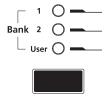


For all objects, the currently selected Bank, Group, and Sound are indicated by a lit LED. The example above (42 Jump! 0bx) would appear as follows:



**Object Select Buttons** 

## **Bank Select Button**

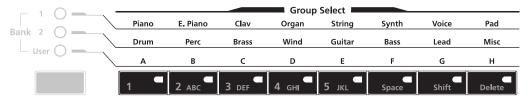


Pressing the **Bank Select** button will cycle through the three object banks: Bank 1, Bank 2, and User. The column of LEDs indicates the currently selected bank. In Program Mode, Bank 1 contains programs 0-63, Bank 2 contains programs 64-127, and User Bank contains user-created programs numbered 128-191. In Setup Mode, Bank 1 contains setups 0-63 and User Bank contains user-created setups numbered 64-127.



**NOTE:** A "Bank" is a SPS4-specific term not to be confused with the general "MIDI Bank", which contains 128 Objects. When transmitting bank change and program change MIDI messages, always think in terms of "MIDI Banks" rather than "Banks".

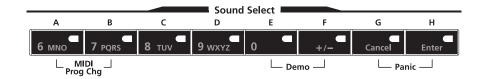
# **Group Select Buttons**



As pictured below, there are eight **Group Select** buttons. Note that each button corresponds to a different Group depending on the currently selected bank.

Each bank is divided into eight Groups. Pressing the **Group Select** button immediately beneath each Group label will select that Group within the current bank. The LED of the currently selected Group's button will be lit.

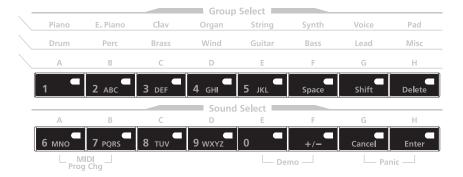
# Sound Select Buttons



Each of the **Sound Select** buttons corresponds to one Sound in the currently selected Group; pressing one of these buttons will select that Sound. The LED of the currently selected Sound's button will be lit.

# **Alphanumeric Data Entry**

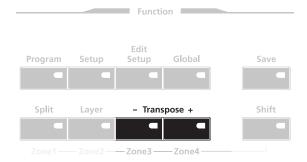
When editing parameters or naming Objects, you can use the Group and Sound Select buttons for alphanumeric data entry. Note that on each button the secondary function is printed in gray ink.



# **Double Button Presses**

Several pairs of the buttons on the SPS4 have timesaving secondary functions when pressed simultaneously—think of them as keyboard shortcuts. For convenience of reference, descriptions of all of the double-button press functions appear below.

# Reset Transposition / Lower by an Octave



Pressing both **Transpose** + and **Transpose** - simultaneously will restore the current program or setup to having no transposition. If these two buttons are simultaneously pressed when there is already no transposition, then the current program or setup will be transposed down by one octave (12 semitones).

**Double Button Presses** 

# **Jump Value**



Pressing both **Next** and Previous **Value** buttons simultaneously will jump to the next category of items in the list. For example, when in Program Mode with program **1 Studio Grand** currently selected, pressing **Next** and **Previous** simultaneously will jump up the list of programs to program **8 Stevie's Rhds**, the first of the Electric Piano programs. Pressing the two buttons again will jump up to program **16 Supasticious**, the first of the Clavinet programs.

# **Jump Parameter**



Pressing both the Chan / Param Up ( ) and the Chan / Param Down ( ) buttons simultaneously will jump to the beginning of the next category of items in the parameter list.

# **MIDI Program Change**



Pressing Sound Select Buttons **A** and **B** takes you to the MIDI Program Change Function page (described in further detail in MIDI Program Change Function on page 5-5). With the MIDI Program Change Function, you can send a MIDI Program Change message to any sound modules in a MIDI chain connected to the SPS4.

**Double Button Presses** 

## **Demo**



Pressing Sound Select Buttons **E** and **F** performs the Demo Function (described in further detail in *Demo Function on page 5-6*). With the Demo Function, you can hear a demo sequence that showcases many of the features of SPS4.

## **Panic**



Pressing Sound Select Buttons **G** and **H** deactivates all sounding notes and control messages and sends an "All Notes Off" message to all connected modules.

Features of the SPS4		
Double Button Presses		

# **Chapter 4 Terminology**

This chapter provides definitions and descriptions for all of the SPS4-specific terms use in this manual. Note that some of the terms are also used by other manufactures. Since there are no standard definitions for some of these terms, they are described here to avoid confusion. All of these terms appear capitalized as proper nouns in this manual to make it easy to distinguish between the generic term and the SPS4-specific term.

**Object** Anything that can be named, saved, deleted, or

edited (i.e., a Program or a Setup). See Program Mode

on page 6-1 and Setup Mode on page 7-1 for more

information on Objects.

**Program** A factory-preset or user-programmed sounds

stored in ROM or flash memory, each with five parameters that can be changed in real-time with the control knob. See *Program Mode on page 6-1* for more

information on Programs.

Setup A factory-preset or user-programmed MIDI

performance presets consisting of up to 4 Zones, each with its own keyboard region, Program, MIDI channel, and controller assignments. See *Setup Mode* 

on page 7-1 for more information on Setups.

**Zone** A keyboard region of a Setup that has its own

Program, MIDI channel, and controller assignments. See *Setup Mode on page 7-1* for more information on

Zones.

Split A division of Zones in a Setup. See *The Split Function* 

on page 5-4 for more information on Splits.

Layer An overlap of Zones in a Setup. See *The Layer* 

Function on page 5-4 for more information on Layers.

**Bank** The first and highest level of Object organization;

contains eight Groups and thus 64 Sounds; different from a "MIDI Bank", which will be referred to as such. See *Using the Object Select Buttons on page 6-3* or *Using the Object Select Buttons on page 7-3* for more information on Banks and Object organization.

MIDI Bank The highest level of Object organization by the

MIDI standard; contains 128 Objects; different from

a "Bank".

**Group** The second level of Object organization; contains

eight Sounds. See *Using the Object Select Buttons on page* 6-3 or *Using the Object Select Buttons on page 7-3* for more information on Groups and Object organization.

**Sound** The third lowest level of Object organization; can

be either a Program or a Setup depending on the current Mode. See *Using the Object Select Buttons on page 6-3* or *Using the Object Select Buttons on page 7-3* for more information on Sounds and Object organization.

**Mode** An operating status with a unique group of

operations. See The Operating Modes on page 5-1 for more

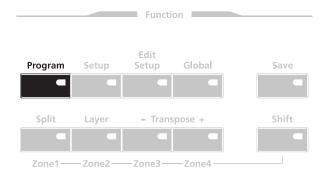
information on Modes.

# **Chapter 5 The Operating Modes**

This chapter will help you familiarize yourself with the operating modes of the SPS4. Each of the five Modes (Program, Setup, Edit Setup, Global, and System) has its own individual chapter—the four Functions (Split, Layer, MIDI Program Change, and Demo) are described in this chapter in *Functions on page 5-4*.

# **Program Mode**

Program mode is the default mode of the SPS4. In this mode, you can select, play, and edit programs. To enter Program mode from another mode, press the **Program** Function button.

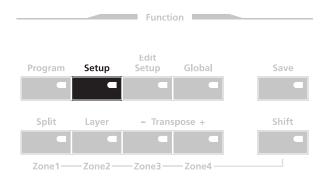


For more detailed information on Program mode, see *Program Mode on page 6-1*.

Setup Mode

# **Setup Mode**

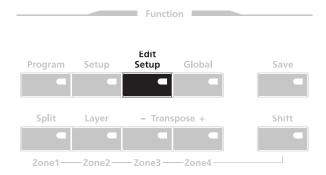
Setup mode allows you to select and play setups. Setups are configurations of up to four zones, each of which may have its own program and controller assignments. To enter Setup mode from another mode, press the **Setup** Function button.



For more detailed information on Setup mode, see Setup Mode on page 7-1.

# **Edit Setup Mode**

Edit Setup mode allows you to create setups or edit preexisting setups. To enter Edit Setup mode from another mode, press the **Edit Setup** Function button.



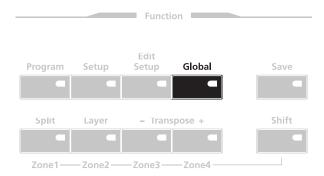
For more detailed information on Edit Setup mode, see Edit Setup Mode on page 8-1.

## **Global Mode**



CAUTION: READ Global Mode on page 9-1 BEFORE USING GLOBAL MODE. THIS MODE CONTAINS CERTAIN OPERATIONS THAT CANNOT BE UNDONE.

Global mode allows you to edit global parameters and MIDI settings, or restore factory defaults with a hard reset. To enter Global mode from another mode, press the **Global** Function button.



# **System Mode**



<u>CAUTION: READ System Mode on page 10-1 BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO ENTER SYSTEM MODE. THIS MODE CONTAINS CERTAIN OPERATIONS THAT CANNOT BE UNDONE.</u>

System Mode allows you manage and upgrade the OS software of your SPS4 as well as perform diagnostic tests of the instrument's various internal systems and processes. Note that the functions that you have access to in System Mode govern the operation of your SPS4, so only use System Mode when you must perform essential maintenance tasks.

To enter System Mode, follow these steps:

- 1. Power off your SPS4.
- 2. Press and the hold the **Shift** button, and power on the unit. Make sure to keep holding the Shift button unit the text "SPS4 bootloader vx.x" (where x.x is the version of the bootloader software) scrolls across the display.
- 3. Release the **Shift** button—at this point, you are in System Mode.

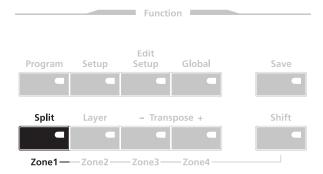
**Functions** 

## **Functions**

In addition to the five primary Modes, there are four Functions. These Functions are not as complex as the primary Modes and are described below.

## The Split Function

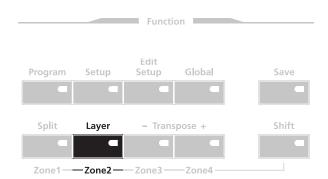
Pressing the **Split** Function button while in either Program or Setup mode will perform the Split Function. The Split Function allows you to split programs and setups such that keys in one region of the keyboard produce different sounds than another region.



Creating Splits in Program Mode is slightly different from creating Splits in Setup Mode. See *The Split Function on page 6-7* (for Splits in Program Mode) and *The Split Function on page 7-8* (for Splits in Setup Mode).

## The Layer Function

Pressing the **Layer** Function button while in either Program or Setup mode will perform the Layer Function. The Layer Function allows you to layer programs and setups such that more than one sound can be produced by striking one key.



Creating Layers in Program Mode is slightly different from creating Splits in Setup Mode. See *The Layer Function on page 6-9* (for Layers in Program Mode) and *The Layer Function on page 7-9* (for Layers in Setup Mode).

## **MIDI Program Change Function**

Pressing both the Sound Select **A** and Sound Select **B** buttons simultaneously will take you into the MIDI Program Change Function page.



With this Function, you can send a MIDI Program Change message to connected sound modules. Doing so will not affect the local sound (that is, it will not affect the currently selected program on the SPS4). Using the secondary functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons, you can enter program numbers from 0 to 2,097,152—this seemingly random number comes from the fact that, by the General MIDI Standard, you can send Program messages for up to 16,384 MIDI Banks, each containing up to 128 programs.

When a message is sent with the MIDI Program Change Function, any Global setting that might disable MIDI Transmit or might disable MIDI Program Change is ignored. After the MIDI Program Change message is sent, the SPS4 will automatically return to the previous mode.

A MIDI Program Change message can be canceled by pressing any button other than the Numeric Entry buttons or the Value buttons.



**NOTE:** A "Bank" is a SPS4-specific term not to be confused with the general "MIDI Bank", which contains 128 Objects. When transmitting MIDI Bank Change and MIDI Program Change messages, always think in terms of "MIDI Banks" rather than "Banks".

## **Differing Program Numbers**

If the programs on your connected sound module are organized by MIDI Bank with each program number being between **0** and **127**, then use the following formula to determine what number to enter for the MIDI Program Change Function:

So for example, if you want to send to a MIDI Program Change message for **Program 83** in **MIDI Bank 4**, you would enter the number **594**—this number is equal to 4 \* 128 + 83 - 1.

If the programs on your connected sound module are organized by MIDI Bank with each program number being between 1 and 128, then use the following formula to determine what number to enter in MIDI Program Change mode:

**Functions** 

So for example, if you want to send to a MIDI Program Change message for **Program 83** in **MIDI Bank 4**, you would enter the number **595**—this number is equal to 4 \* 128 + 83.

## **Demo Function**

Pressing the Sound Select **E** and **F** buttons simultaneously performs the Demo Function.



Entering this mode, the SP4 will play a built-in demo sequence designed to demonstrate the capabilities of the instrument. While the demo sequence plays, the display will show the text "Demo Mode," and the Sound Select **E** and Sound Select **F** button LEDs will blink, indicating that the instrument is in Demo Mode. Pressing any button will return to the previous mode.

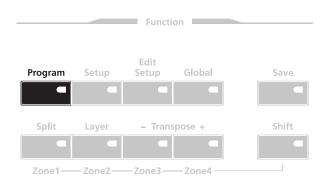
# Chapter 6 Program Mode

This chapter will help you familiarize yourself with the features of Program mode.

Programs are essentially the different sounds of a MIDI instrument—they are preset sound Objects equivalent to the "patches," "presets," or "voices" that you find on other synths. On the SPS4, you can have up to 192 different Programs organized in three different Banks: Bank 1 (Programs 0-63) and Bank 2 (programs 64-127) provide you with 128 ready-to-play factory Programs, and the User Bank provides you with 64 slots for user-created Programs.

# **About Program Mode**

Program mode is the default mode of the SPS4—the SPS4 starts up in this mode. To enter Program mode from another mode, press the **Program** Function button. While you are in Program mode, the **Program** button's indicator LED is illuminated. Also by default, the SPS4 starts up with Program **0 Grand Piano** selected. If you enter Program mode from another mode, the last selected Program will be the current Program.



# **Table of Programs**

ID	Name	Group	Sound				
BANK 1							
0	Standard Grand		Α				
1	Studio Grand		В				
2	Horowitz Grand		С				
3	Piano & Pad	Piano	D				
4	Blues Piano'74	Fiano	E				
5	Rock Piano '74		F				
6	Upright Piano		G				
7	Piano & String		Н				
8	Duke's Rhds		Α				
9	Hotrod Rhds		В				
10	Classic Wurly		С				
11	Super Wurly	E. Piano	D				
12	Fuzz Wurly	L. I Idilo	E				
13	FM E Piano		F				
14	Rich EP+Pad		G				
15	UK Pop CP70		H				
16	Wah Clav		Α				
17	Joe's Clav		В				
18	BlackCow Clav		С				
19	Stevie Fuzz	Clav	D				
20	Orch Harp	Clav	E				
21	Harpsichord		F				
22	Celeste		G				
23	Celeste/Glk		Н				
24	The Ninth Bar		Α				
25	Gregg's B		В				
26	Ole Gospel B		С				
27	Prog B3 Perc	Organ	D				
28	Sly's Revenge	Organ	Е				
29	Farfisa		F				
30	All Stops		G				
31	Pipe Stops		Н				
32	LA Strings		Α				
33	Lead Strings		В				
34	Pizzicato		С				
35	Adagio Strngs	String	D				
36	Tremolando	Ottnig	E				
37	Tron Strings		F				
38	Solo Violin		G				
39	Solo Cello		H				
40	Classic Comp		Α				
41	ARP2500 Brass		В				
42	Mono Trekkies		С				
43	OBX Jump!	Synth	D				
44	80's Synth	Syritii	Е				
45	Synth Bell		F				
46	Synth Orch		G				
47	SickoSynco		Н				
48	Full Choir		Α				
49	Cathedral Vox	]	В				
50	Aaahlicious	]	С				
51	Jazzy Ballad	Voice	D				
52	Manhattan Vox	Voice	Е				
53	BrightSyn Vox	]	F				
54	Tron Choir		G				
55	Ahh Chorus		Н				

ID	Name	Group	Sound
56	Slo QuadraPad		Α
57	BladerunnrARP		В
58	Slo Syn Orch		С
59	SynOrcWhale		D
60	So Lush Pad	Pad	Ē
61	Add a Pad 1		F
62	Add a Pad 2		G
63	Heaven&Earth		Н
	BAN	  K 2	1
64	Solid Kit	IIX Z	Ι Δ
65	Electric Kit		A
			B C
66	Gated Kit		
67	HeadhuntersKt	Drum	D
68	Produced Kit		E
69	60'sRock&Soul		F
70	RocAFella Kit		G
71	MP Brush Kit		Н
_ 72	Natural Perc		Α
73	Modern Perc		В
74	Timp&OrchPerc		С
75	Marimba	Perc	D
76	Vibes	Perc	E
77	Glockenspiel		F
78	Steel Drums		G
79	Xylophone		Н
80	PowerPopHorns		Α
81	SalsaSection		В
82	1-NotePwrRiff		C
83	P*Funk Horns	Brass	D
84	Solo Trumpet		E
85	Mute Trumpet		F
86	Brass Fanfare		G
87	Gothic Climax		Н
88	Solo Flute		A
89	Lead Oboe		В
	Solo Clarinet		С
90 91	Solo Bassoon		D
		Wind	E
92	English Horn		
93	Bari/TenorSec		F
94	Piccolo		G
95	Tron Flutes		H
96	Ac Guitar		A
97	Real Nylon		В
98	Fluid Guitar		С
99	Comp'd Phaser	Guitar	D
100	Emo Verser		E
101	Vox'd Elec12		F
102	Rock Lead MW		G
103	Rockin' Lead		Н
104	E-Bass		Α
105	Flea/Bootsy		В
106	Jaco Frtless		С
107	Upright Bass	Paga	D
108	Octave Frtls	Bass	Е
109	BowhSaw Bass	1	F
110	KneeDeepMini	1	G
111	Big Dummy	1	H
	gy	1	<u> </u>

Selection

ID	Name	Group	Sound
112	Saw+Mogue 4P		Α
113	Emerson Lead		В
114	MicroMogue +		С
115	V Sync Lead	Lead	D
116	Toot Lead	Leau	E
117	MWheel Lead		F
118	12SAWLeadMW		G
110	Square Load		Ц

ID	Name	Group	Sound
120	BrazilAccord		Α
121	MellowAccord		В
122	WindsHornStr		С
123	Strs&Silver	Misc	D
124	China Flower	IVIISC	E
125	Blues Harp		F
126	Touch Koto		G
127	Magic Mbira		Н

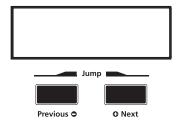
#### **USER BANK**

ID	Name	Group	Sound
128–191	(User Programs)	A–H	A–H

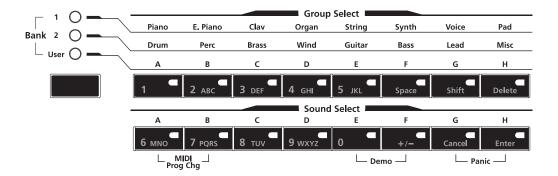
## **Selection**

In Program mode, the display shows the current Program. Use the Value buttons below the display to change the current Program—pressing **Previous** will scroll down the list and pressing **Next** will scroll up the list. Pressing both **Next** and **Previous** simultaneously will jump to the first Program of the next Group.

The display and Value buttons below it are located close to the center of the front panel.

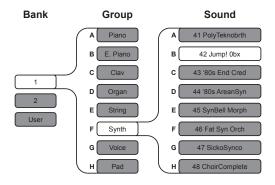


## **Using the Object Select Buttons**

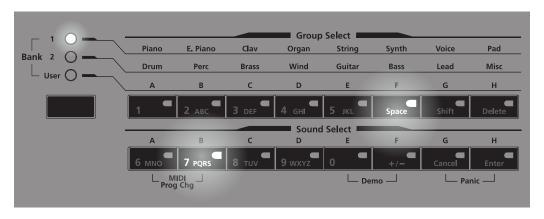


#### Selection

The Object Select Buttons are located on the right side of the front panel. Note that there are three types of Object Select Buttons: Bank Select, Group Select, and Sound Select. The Programs of the SPS4 are organized in three levels of organization: eight Sounds make up a Group, eight Groups make up a Bank. The following figure illustrates this organization using the Program 42 Jump! 0bx as an example:



For all objects, the currently selected Bank, Group, and Sound are indicated by a lit LED. The example above (42 Jump! 0bx) would appear as follows:



#### **Bank Select Button**

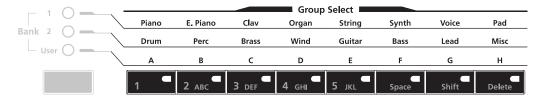


Pressing the **Bank Select** button will cycle through the three Object Banks: Bank 1, Bank 2, and User. The column of LEDs indicates the currently selected Bank. In Program Mode, Bank 1 contains programs 0-63, Bank 2 contains programs 64-127, and User Bank contains user-created programs numbered 128-191.



**NOTE:** A "Bank" is a SPS4-specific term not to be confused with the general "MIDI Bank", which contains 128 Objects. When transmitting MIDI Bank Change and MIDI Program Change messages, always think in terms of "MIDI Banks" rather than "Banks".

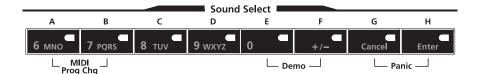
#### **Group Select Buttons**



As pictured below, there are eight **Group Select** buttons. Note that each button corresponds to a different Group depending on the currently selected Bank.

Each Bank is divided into eight Groups. Pressing the **Group Select** button immediately beneath each Group label will select that Group within the current Bank. The LED of the currently selected Group's button will be lit.

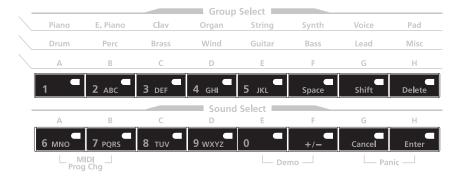
#### **Sound Select Buttons**



Each of the **Sound Select** buttons corresponds to one Sound in the currently selected Group; pressing one of these buttons will select that Sound. The LED of the currently selected Sound's button will be lit.

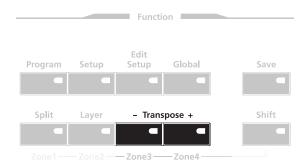
## **Alphanumeric Data Entry**

When editing parameters or naming Objects, you can use the Group and Sound Select buttons for alphanumeric data entry. Note that on each button the secondary function is printed in white ink.



Transposition

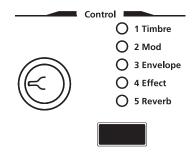
# **Transposition**



Pressing the **Transpose** + button will transpose the current Program up by one semitone; pressing the **Transpose** – button will transpose the current Program down by one semitone. Pressing both **Transpose** + and **Transpose** – simultaneously will restore the current Program to having no transposition; if these two buttons are simultaneously pressed when there is already no transposition, then the current Program will be transposed down by one octave (12 semitones).

The LEDs of the Transposition buttons indicate whether the current Program is transposed up (when **Transpose** + is lit) or transposed down (when **Transpose** – is lit). When there is no transposition, then neither Transposition button is lit.

## The Control Knob



The control knob gives you real-time control of five different parameters—the currently selected parameter is indicated by the column of LEDs. By default these five parameters are:

- 1 Timbre
- 2 Mod
- 3 Envelope
- 4 Effect
- 5 Reverb

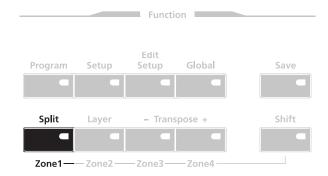
The Split Function

You can change what these five parameters are in Edit Setup Mode (see *Edit Setup Mode on page 8-1*).

Pressing the **Control Select** button (located beneath the column of LEDs) changes the currently selected parameter that is affected by the control knob. Note that when you make a change to the current Program using the Control Knob, the **Save** button LED will light up indicating that a change has been made to the Program. For more information on the **Save** button and its LED states, see *Saving in Program Mode on page 6-10*.

# **The Split Function**

Pressing the **Split** Function button while in Program mode will perform the Split Function. The Split Function allows you to split Programs such that keys in one region of the keyboard produce different sounds than another region.



When you create a Split in a Program, you are in fact creating a Setup (see *Setup Mode on page 7-1* for more information on Setups). As previously described, Setups are configurations of four Zones, each of which may have its own Program and controller assignments. Once you've created a Split in a Program, creating another Split will activate another Zone within what is now a Setup. If the Setup already has its maximum of four active Zones and you press the **Split** Function button, then a message will appear on the display indicating that you have reached the maximum of four active Zones. The Split Function is convenient, as you do not need to go through Edit Setup Mode to delineate Zones, assign Programs, etc. You can simply hit the **Split** Function button, and the SPS4 automatically activates another Zone in the Setup for you, with default values for parameters of the Split.

The newly-activated Zone is the "Secondary Voice". The currently active Zone(s) constitute the "Primary Voice".

There are four parameters (described below) that determine the behavior of the Split. You can view these parameters by scrolling through them using the **Chan / Param** buttons. To edit them, use the Value buttons or the secondary alphanumeric entry functions of the Object select buttons.

The Split Function

### **Split Program**

This parameter determines the Program for the Secondary Voice (left-hand side) of the Split—the current Program is the Program for the Primary Zone (right-hand side) of the Split, and is also the default Split Program. Any of the Programs can be chosen for this parameter.

#### **Split Volume**

This parameter determines the relative volumes of the Secondary and Primary Voices—it can be set to any number between -127 and 127. By default, the Split Volume is set to 0, which results in both Voices having the same volume. When set to a positive number, the volume for the Secondary Voice is increased while the volume for the Primary Voice is decreased—doing the opposite has the opposite effect on the relative volumes of the Voice.

#### **Split Key**

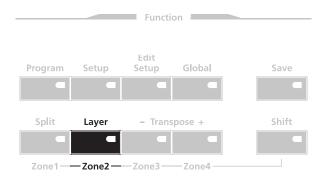
This parameter determines the boundary of the Split—it can be set to any number between **20** (G#0) and **108** (C8). By default, the Split Key is set to **60** (C4, or middle C). The chosen key is the highest note in the Secondary Voice—one note above this note is the lowest note in the Primary Voice. In addition to using the Value buttons, you can directly select the Split Key by holding down the Sound Select **H** (aka **Enter**) button and then striking the desired key on the keyboard.

### Split Transposition

This parameter determines the transposition of the Secondary Voice relative to that of the Primary Voice—it can be set to -24, -12, 0, 12, and 24. By default, Split Transposition is set to 0. Note that if the Primary Voice is transposed, then the Secondary Voice will be transposed by the same amount in addition to being transposed by the amount set for the Split Transposition.

# The Layer Function

Pressing the **Layer** Function button while in Program mode will perform the Layer Function. The Layer Function allows you to layer programs and setups such that more than one sound can be produced by striking one key.



When you create a Layer in a Program, you are in fact creating a Setup (see Setup Mode on page 7-1 for more information on Setups). As previously described, Setups are configurations of up to four Zones, each of which may have its own Program and controller assignments. Once you've created a Layer in a Program, creating another Layer will create activate another Zone within what is now a Setup. If the current Setup already has its maximum of four active Zones and you press the **Layer** Function button, then a message will appear on the display indicating that you have reached the maximum of four active Zones. The Layer Function is convenient, as you do not need to go through Edit Setup Mode to delineate Zones, assign Programs, etc. You can simply hit the **Layer** Function button, and the SPS4 automatically activates another Zone in the Setup for you, with default values for parameters of the Layer.

There are three parameters (described below) that determine the behavior of the Layer. You can view these parameters by scrolling through them using the **Chan / Param** buttons. To edit them, use the Value buttons or the secondary alphanumeric entry functions of the Object select buttons.

## **Layer Program**

This parameter determines the program for the Secondary Voice—the current program is the program for the Primary Voice. Any of the programs can be chosen for this parameter.

#### **Layer Volume**

This parameter determines the relative volumes of the Secondary and Primary Voices—it can be set to any number between -127 and 127. By default, the Layer Volume is set to 0, which results in both Voices having the same volume. When set to a positive number, the volume for the Secondary Voice is increased while the volume for the Primary Layer is decreased—doing the opposite has the opposite effect on the relative volumes of the Layers.

Changing the Transmit MIDI Channel

### **Layer Transposition**

This parameter determines the transposition of the Secondary Voice relative to that of the Primary Voice—it can be set to -24, -12, 0, 12, and 24. By default, Layer Transposition is set to 0. Note that if the Primary Voice is transposed, then the Secondary Voice will be transposed by the same amount in addition to being transposed by the amount set for the Layer Transposition.

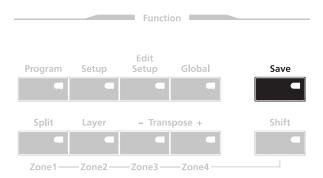
# **Changing the Transmit MIDI Channel**

Pressing the Chan / Param Up ( ) or Down ( ) button will change the MIDI transmit channel, incrementing or decrementing it respectively. Pressing both Chan / Param Up ( ) and Down ( ) at the same time will reset the current MIDI channel to 1.



The MIDI channel will be shown briefly in the display before the display changes back to showing the current Program on the selected MIDI transmit channel.

# **Saving in Program Mode**



When you make a change to the current Program using the Control Knob, the **Save** button LED will light up indicating that a change has been made to the Program. To save the current Program, press the **Save** button once. The **Save** button LED will blink to indicate that a save operation is underway, and the User Bank LED will also be lit. If the program is an edited Factory Program (i.e., a Program in Bank 1 or Bank 2), the default save location will be the next available location in the User Bank. If all 64 User Bank slots are taken, then

### Saving in Program Mode

the Program is saved in the last slot in the User Bank, overwriting what was previously in that slot. If the current Program is a Program already in the User Bank, then the Program is saved in its current Program slot. At this point, you can rename the new Program using the secondary alphanumeric functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons.

When the **Save** button LED is blinking (which means that you pressed Save, and a save operation is underway), pressing **Save** again will cause the system to save the current Program to the indicated Group and Sound in the User Bank. If you want to save it to a different location in the User Bank, select the location via the Group Select and Sound Select buttons (or using the Value buttons) before pressing **Save** again.

Pressing any other button while the **Save** button is blinking will cancel the save operation.

Program Mode	
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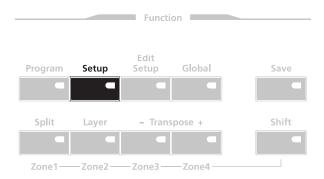
# **Chapter 7 Setup Mode**

This chapter will help you familiarize yourself with the features of Setup mode.

Setups are configurations of four Zones (explained below in About Zones), each of which may have its own Program, controller assignments, and MIDI transmit channel. You can have up to 128 different Setups organized in two different banks: Bank 1 (Setups **0-63**) and User Bank (Setups **64-127**). These provide you respectively with 64 ready-to-play factory Setups and 64 slots for user-created Setups.

# **About Setup Mode**

To enter Setup mode from another mode, press the **Setup** Function button. While you are in Setup mode, the **Setup** button's indicator LED is illuminated. By default, when you enter Setup mode after a start-up of your instrument, Setup **0** will be the current Setup. If you enter Setup mode from another mode, the last selected Setup will be the current Setup.



Setup Mode
Table of Setups

# **Table of Setups**

## BANK 1

ID	Name	Group	Sound
0	BritePno/Slap		Α
1	BritePno/Jaco		В
2	JazzPno/UpBs	]	С
3	PadPno/Levin	A	D
4	PnoStrng/UpBs	] A	E
5	Rhodes/E-Bs	]	F
6	S Tramp/E-Bs		G
7	FM EP/E-Bs		Н
8	CP70/Levin		Α
9	Clav/Slap		В
10	PhzClav/E-Bs		С
11	GregKB/E-Bs	В	D
12	ProgKB/UpBs	] Þ	E
13	SlyKB/SlpBs		F
14	Church1/Strgs		G
15	Church2/Strgs		Н
16	Horns/SynBs		Α
17	Horns/SlapBs		В
18	Orc/SynBs1		С
19	Orc/SynBs2	С	D
20	LushPad/Bs		E
21	Strngs/E Bs	]	F
22	Voices1/SynBs		G
23	Voices2/SynBs		Н
24	Voices3/UpBs		Α
25	Voices3/E-Bs		В
26	Voices4/SynBs	]	С
27	A Guit/E Bs	D	D
28	Fluid/Upright	ט [	E
29	E Guit3/E-Bs		F
30	Q Pad/Levin		G
31	Heaven/SynBs		Н

ID	Name	Group	Sound
32	Comper2/SynBs		Α
33	Vibes/UpBass		В
34	Mbira/GlkHarp		С
35	Steel/Marimba	F	D
36	CagePerc/Glck	7 =	E
37	Mbira/NatPerc		F
38	Magic/CagePerc		G
39	Silver/GlockHarp		Н
40	WindsStr/Mini		Α
41	Luscious EP		В
42	Luscious EP2		С
43	Swank CP70	F	D
44	Sndtrack Xylo	_ r	E
45	Rich Stack		F
46	Harp/Marimba		G
47	Pizz Marimba		Н
48	Big Dance Syn		Α
49	Sparkle Harp		В
50	Plucked Ivory		С
51	Intense SynLd	G	D
52	Intense Comp	_ G	E
53	Rich Voices		F
54	VIP Accordian		G
55	Fantasy Koto		Н
56	VIP Square Ld		Α
57	VIP Mooger Ld		В
58	VIP Sync Lead		С
59	VIP KE Lead	H	D
60	VIP ED Lead	'''	E
61	VIP GH Lead	_	F
62	Clear Setup	_	G
63	Default Setup		Н
126	Internal Voices	Н	G

## **USER BANK**

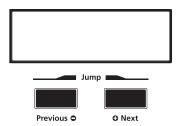
ID	Name	Group	Sound	
128–191	(User Programs)	A–H	A–H	

Selection

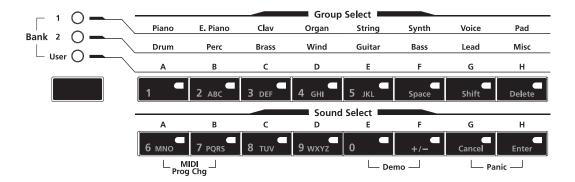
## Selection

In Setup mode, the display shows the current Setup. Use the Value buttons below the display to change the current Setup—pressing **Previous** will scroll down the list and pressing **Next** will scroll up the list. Pressing both **Next** and **Previous** simultaneously will jump to the first Setup of the next Group.

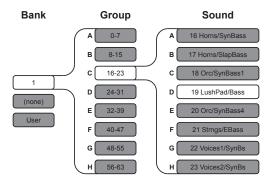
The display and Value buttons below it are located close to the center of the front panel.



## **Using the Object Select Buttons**

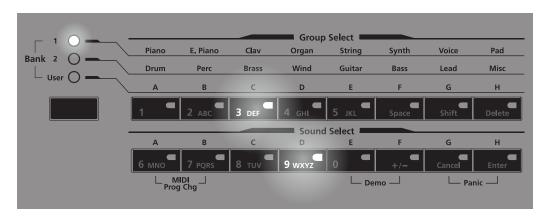


The Object Select Buttons are located on the right side of the front panel. Note that there are three types of Object Select Buttons: Bank Select, Group Select, and Sound Select. The Setups of the SPS4 are organized in three levels of organization: eight Sounds make up a Group, eight Groups make up a Bank. The following figure illustrates this organization using the Setup 19 as an example:



#### Selection

For all objects, the currently selected Bank, Group, and Sound are indicated by a lit LED. The example above (Setup 19) would appear as follows:



#### **Bank Select Button**

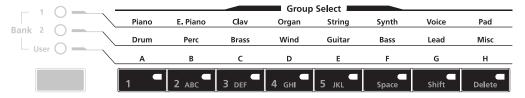


Pressing the **Bank Select** button will cycle through the three Object Banks: Bank 1, Bank 2, and User. The column of LEDs indicates the currently selected Bank. In Setup Mode, Bank 1 contains Setups 0-63 and User Bank contains user-created programs numbered 64-127.



**NOTE:** A "Bank" is a SPS4-specific term not to be confused with the general "MIDI Bank", which contains 128 Objects. When transmitting MIDI Bank Change and MIDI Program Change messages, always think in terms of "MIDI Banks" rather than "Banks".

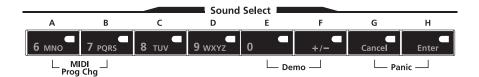
#### **Group Select Buttons**



As pictured below, there are eight **Group Select** buttons. Note that each button corresponds to a different Group depending on the currently selected bank.

Each bank is divided into eight Groups. Pressing the **Group Select** button immediately beneath each Group label will select that Group within the current bank. The LED of the currently selected Group's button will be lit.

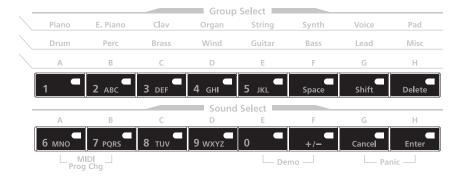
#### **Sound Select Buttons**



Each of the **Sound Select** buttons corresponds to one Sound in the currently selected Group; pressing one of these buttons will select that Sound. The LED of the currently selected Sound's button will be lit.

## **Alphanumeric Data Entry**

When editing parameters or naming Objects, you can use the Group and Sound Select buttons for alphanumeric data entry. Note that on each button the secondary function is printed in gray ink.



## **About Zones**

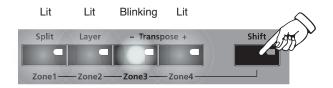
Zones are the independent regions of the keyboard that make up a Setup. A Setup has four Zones, each one having its own Program, controller assignments, and MIDI transmit channel. Zones can be mutually exclusive regions of the keyboard, or they can overlap. You cannot, however, have "blank" regions of the keyboard that do not belong to a Zone—you can achieve this effect by muting Zones.

Transposition

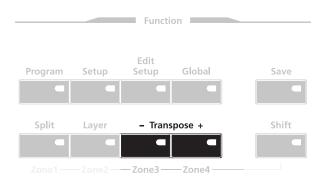
## **Muting Zones**

You can use the secondary functions of the **Split, Layer**, and both **Transposition** buttons to mute (and unmute) Zones of the current Setup. To do so, press and hold down the **Shift** button. When you hold down the **Shift** button, the Zone buttons of unmuted Zones illuminate—pressing one of these unmuted Zone buttons will mute its Zone and its indicator LED will turn off. If a Zone is already muted, then, when holding down the Shift button, its Zone button LED will flash on and off—pressing one of these muted Zone buttons will unmute its Zone and its indicator LED will illuminate.

For example, consider a Setup with Zones 1, 2, and 4 active and Zone 3 muted. While pressing down the **Shift** button, the Zone buttons will appear as follows:



# **Transposition**



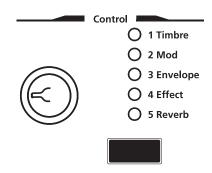
Pressing the **Transpose** + button will transpose the current Program up by one semitone; pressing the **Transpose** – button will transpose the current Program down by one semitone. Pressing both **Transpose** + and **Transpose** – simultaneously will restore the current Program to having no transposition; if these two buttons are simultaneously pressed when there is already no transposition, then the current Program will be transposed down by one octave (12 semitones).

The LEDs of the Transposition buttons indicate whether the current Program is transposed up (when **Transpose** + is lit) or transposed down (when **Transpose** – is lit). When there is no transposition, then neither Transposition button is lit.

Note that the Setup transposition is relative to each Zone's preset transposition. For instance, if a Zone has a +2 semitone transposition and the Setup has a +4 semitone transposition, then that Zone will have a +6 semitone transposition.

The Control Knob

## The Control Knob



The control knob gives you real-time control of five different parameters—the currently selected parameter is indicated by the column of LEDs. By default these five parameters are:

- 1 Timbre
- 2 Mod
- 3 Envelope
- 4 Effect
- 5 Reverb

You can change what these five parameters are in Edit Setup Mode (see *Edit Setup Mode on page 8-1*).

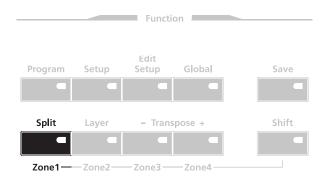
Pressing the **Control Select** button (located beneath the column of LEDs) changes the currently selected parameter that is affected by the control knob. Note that when you make a change to the current Setup using the Control Knob, the **Save** button LED will light up indicating that a change has been made to the Setup. For more information on the **Save** button and its LED states, see the section *Saving in Setup Mode on page 7-11* below.

Each Zone of the Setup may have its own unique Control Knob parameters—you can change what these five parameters are in Edit Setup Mode (see *Edit Setup Mode on page 8-1*). Note that when you make a change to the current Setup by turning the Control Knob, the **Save** button LED will light up indicating that a change has been made to the Setup. For more information on the **Save** button and its LED states, see *Saving in Setup Mode on page 7-11*.

The Split Function

# The Split Function

Pressing the **Split** Function button while in Setup mode will perform the Split Function.



When you create a Split in a Setup, you are in fact activating a Zone within the current Setup. If the current Setup already has its maximum of four active Zones and you press the **Split** Function button, then a message will appear on the display indicating that you have reached the maximum of four active Zones. The Split Function is convenient, as you do not need to go through Edit Setup Mode to delineate Zones, assign Programs, etc. You can simply hit the **Split** Function button, and the SPS4 automatically activates another Zone in the Setup for you, with default values for parameters of the Split.

The newly-activated Zone is the "Secondary Voice". The currently active Zone(s) constitute the "Primary Voice".

There are four parameters (described below) that determine the behavior of the Split. You can view these parameters by scrolling through them using the **Chan / Param** buttons. To edit them, use the Value buttons or the secondary alphanumeric entry functions of the Object select buttons.

## **Split Program**

This parameter determines the Program for the Secondary Voice. Any of the Programs can be chosen for this parameter.

### **Split Volume**

This parameter determines the relative volumes of the Secondary and Primary Voices—it can be set to any number between -127 and 127. By default, the Split Volume is set to 0, which results in both Voices having the same volume. When set to a positive number, the volume for the Secondary Voice is increased while the volume for the Primary Voice is decreased—doing the opposite has the opposite effect on the relative volumes of the Voices.

The Layer Function

### **Split Key**

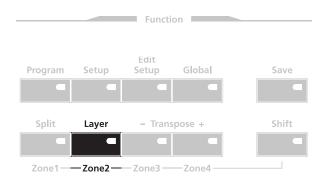
This parameter determines the boundary of the Split—it can be set to any number between **20** (G#0) and **108** (C8). By default, the Split Key is set to **60** (C4, or middle C). The chosen key is the highest note in the Secondary Voice—one note above this note is the lowest note in the Primary Voice. In addition to using the Value buttons, you can directly select the Split Key by holding down the Sound Select **H** (aka **Enter**) button and then striking the desired key on the keyboard.

#### **Split Transposition**

This parameter determines the transposition of the Secondary Voice relative to that of the Primary Voice—it can be set to -24, -12, 0, 12, and 24. By default, Split Transposition is set to 0. Note that if the Primary Voice is transposed, then the Secondary Voice will be transposed by the same amount in addition to being transposed by the amount set for the Split Transposition.

# The Layer Function

Pressing the Layer Function button while in Setup mode will perform the Layer Function.



When you create a Layer in a Setup, you are in fact activating a Zone within the current Setup. If the current Setup already has its maximum of four active Zones and you press the **Layer** Function button, then a message will appear on the display indicating that you have reached the maximum of four active Zones. The Layer Function is convenient, as you do not need to go through Edit Setup Mode to delineate Zones, assign Programs, etc. You can simply hit the **Layer** Function button, and the SPS4 automatically activates another Zone in the Setup for you, with default values for parameters of the Layer.

The newly-activated Zone is the "Secondary Voice". The currently active Zone(s) constitute the "Primary Voice".

There are three parameters (described below) that determine the behavior of the Layer. You can view these parameters by scrolling through them using the **Chan / Param** buttons. To edit them, use the Value buttons or the secondary alphanumeric entry functions of the Object select buttons.

Changing the Transmit MIDI Channel

### **Layer Program**

This parameter determines the program for the Secondary Voice. Any of the Programs can be chosen for this parameter.

### **Layer Volume**

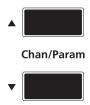
This parameter determines the relative volumes of the Secondary and Primary Voices—it can be set to any number between -127 and 127. By default, the Layer Volume is set to 0, which results in both Voices having the same volume. When set to a positive number, the volume for the Secondary Voice is increased while the volume for the Primary Voice is decreased—doing the opposite has the opposite effect on the relative volumes of the Voices.

### **Layer Transposition**

This parameter determines the transposition of the Secondary Voice relative to that of the Primary Voice—it can be set to -24, -12, 0, 12, and 24. By default, Layer Transposition is set to 0. Note that if the Primary Voice is transposed, then the Secondary Voice will be transposed by the same amount in addition to being transposed by the amount set for the Layer Transposition.

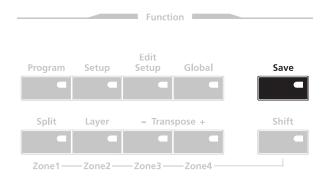
# **Changing the Transmit MIDI Channel**

Pressing the Chan / Param Up ( ) or Down ( ) button will change the MIDI transmit channel, incrementing or decrementing it respectively. Pressing both Chan / Param Up ( ) and Down ( ) at the same time will reset the current MIDI channel to 1.



The MIDI channel will be shown briefly in the display before the display changes back to showing the current Program on the selected MIDI transmit channel.

# **Saving in Setup Mode**



When you make a change to the current Setup using the Control Knob, the **Save** button LED will light up indicating that a change has been made to the Setup. To save the current Setup, press the **Save** button once. The **Save** button LED will blink to indicate that a save operation is underway, and the User Bank LED will also be lit. If the Setup is an edited Factory Setup (i.e., a Setup in Bank 1), the default save location will be the next available location in the User Bank. If all 64 User Bank slots are taken, then the Setup is saved in the last slot in the User Bank, overwriting what was previously in that slot. If the current Setup is a Setup already in the User Bank, then the Setup is saved in its current Setup slot. At this point, you can rename the new Setup using the secondary alphanumeric functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons.

When the **Save** button LED is blinking (which means that you pressed Save, and a save operation is underway), pressing **Save** again will cause the system to save the current Setup to the indicated Group and Sound in the User Bank. If you want to save it to a different location in the User Bank, select the location via the Group Select and Sound Select buttons (or using the Value buttons) before pressing **Save** again.

Pressing any other button while the **Save** button is blinking will cancel the save operation.

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# **Chapter 8 Edit Setup Mode**

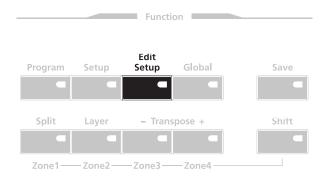
This chapter will help you familiarize yourself with the features of Edit Setup Mode

# **About Edit Setup Mode**

**NOTE:** Before you read this chapter, be sure to read *Setup Mode on page 7-1* for a full description of Setups.

Edit Setup mode allows you to edit and create Setups—it gives you access to a Setup's common parameters and Zone-specific parameters. In this mode, you can customize the Program, controller assignments, and MIDI transmit channel (in addition to many other parameters) of the Zones in a Setup. Any Setup edited or created in Edit Setup mode is saved to one of the 64 User Bank slots.

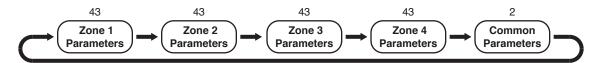
To enter Edit Setup mode from another mode, press the **Edit Setup** Function button. While you are in Edit Setup mode, the **Edit Setup** button's indicator LED is illuminated.



The Parameters of a Setup

# The Parameters of a Setup

A Setup has 43 Zone-specific parameters for each of four Zones, and two common parameters—altogether, there are 174 parameters whose configurations determine the behavior of the Setup. As you scroll through the list of parameters using the **Chan / Param Up** ( $\wedge$ ) button, the parameters appear in the following order (the parameters of course appear in the reverse order if you scroll through the list with **Chan / Param Down** ( $\vee$ ) button):



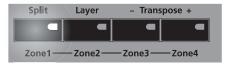
List No.		Dawamatan	Range of Values	Default Value		
Z. 1	Z. 2	Z. 3	Z. 4	Parameter	Hange of values	Default value
1	44	87	130	Local Program	Program List	0 Grand Piano
2	45	88	131	Channel	Channel 1 to 16	
3	46	89	132	Destination	Local, MIDI, Local+MIDI	Local+MIDI
4	47	90	133	MIDI Bank	0 to 127	Bank of Local Program
5	48	91	134	MIDI Program	0 to 127	Program Number of Local Program
6	49	92	135	Bank Mode	None, CtI0, CtI32, CtI0/32, K2600	Ctl0/32
7	50	93	136	Zone Status	Active, Muted	Active
8	51	94	137	Entry Program Change	Off, On	On
9	52	95	138	Aux Send Level	0 to 127	20
10	53	96	139	Transpose	-128 to 127 ST	0
11	54	97	140	Entry Pan	0 to 127	64
12	55	98	141	Entry Volume	0 to 127	127
13	56	99	142	Low Velocity	1 to 127	1
14	57	100	143	High Velocity	0 to 127	127
15	58	101	144	Low Key	C-1 to G9	(none)
16	59	102	145	High Key	C-1 to G9	(none)
17	60	103	146	Bend Range Down	0 to 127 ST	12 ST
18	61	104	147	Rend Range Up	0 to 127 ST	12 ST
19	62	105	148	Mod Wheel Destina- tion	MIDI Destination List	(none)
20	63	106	149	Mod Wheel Entry Value	0 to 127	(none)
21	64	107	150	Mod Wheel Exit Value	0 to 127	(none)
22	65	108	151	Control Knob Function 1 Destination	MIDI Destination List	(none)
23	66	109	152	Control Knob Func- tion 1 Entry Value	0 to 127	(none)
24	67	110	153	Control Knob Func- tion 1 Exit Value	0 to 127	(none)
25	68	111	154	Control Knob Function 2 Destination	MIDI Destination List	(none)
26	69	112	155	Control Knob Func- tion 2 Entry Value	0 to 127	(none)
27	70	113	156	Control Knob Function 2 Exit Value	0 to 127	(none)

### The Parameters of a Setup

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Z. 1	Z. 2	Z. 3	Z. 4	Parameter	Range of Values	Default Value
28	71	114	157	Control Knob Function 3 Destination	MIDI Destination List	(none)
29	72	115	158	Control Knob Func- tion 3 Entry Value	0 to 127	(none)
30	73	116	159	Control Knob Function 3 Exit Value	0 to 127	(none)
31	74	117	160	Control Knob Function 4 Destination	MIDI Destination List	(none)
32	75	118	161	Control Knob Func- tion 4 Entry Value	0 to 127	(none)
33	76	119	162	Control Knob Function 4 Exit Value	0 to 127	(none)
34	77	120	163	Control Knob Func- tion 5 Destination (		(none)
35	78	121	164	Control Knob Func- tion 5 Entry Value	0 to 127	(none)
36	79	122	165	Control Knob Function 5 Exit Value	0 to 127	(none)
37	80	123	166	CC Pedal Destination	MIDI Destination List	(none)
38	81	124	167	CC Pedal Entry Value	0 to 127	(none)
39	82	125	168	CC Pedal Exit Value	0 to 127	(none)
40	83	126	169	Foot Switch Destina- tion	MIDI Destination List	(none)
41	84	127	170	Foot Switch Mode	Momentary, Toggled	Toggled
42	85	128	171	Foot Switch Entry State	None, On, Off	None
43	86	129	172	Foot Switch Exit State	None, On, Off	None
173				Aux Effect Override	Prog, 0 to 999	Prog
174				Aux Effect Channel	(Channels used in Setup)	(Channel of Zone 1)

Note the state of the indicator LEDs in the Zone buttons. If you are currently editing a Zone-specific parameter, then the LED of that Zone button will be illuminated. If you are currently editing a common parameter, then the LEDs of all four Zone buttons will be lit.

**Zone 1 Parameter Selected** 



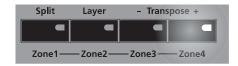
**Zone 3 Parameter Selected** 



Zone 2 Parameter Selected



**Zone 4 Parameter Selected** 



#### **Common Parameter Selected**



The Zone-specific Parameters

To edit the currently selected parameter, simply use the **Next** and **Previous** Value buttons below the display. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will jump to a different value depending on the parameter—the jump value is mentioned in each of the parameter descriptions below. Additionally, you can use the secondary numeric functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons.

# The Zone-specific Parameters

Each of the four Zones in Setup has 43 parameters that determine its behavior. Since the Zones of a Setup are independent of each other, changing a parameter for a certain Zone will not affect the parameters of any other Zone.

## **Local Program**

The Local Program parameter determines the Program to be loaded for the currently selected Zone. You can set this parameter to any of the 192 Programs (0-191). Note that the display shows only the Program number but not the name. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to 0 (0 Grand Piano)

Editing this parameter also changes the MIDI Bank and MIDI Program parameters, described below.

## Channel

The Channel parameter determines the MIDI transmit channel for the currently selected Zone. You can set this parameter to any of the 16 MIDI channels (1-16). Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to 1.

## **Destination**

The Destination parameter determines whether MIDI data generated by the currently selected Zone is sent to the SPS4 sound engine, through the MIDI OUT port, or both. You can set this parameter to any of the three destinations for this parameter:

Local MIDI data is sent only to the SPS4 sound engine.

The MIDI OUT port is disabled.

MIDI data is sent only through the MIDI OUT port.

The sounds of the current Zone are disabled.

**Local+MIDI** MIDI data is sent both to the SPS4 sound engine

and through the MIDI OUT port.

The Zone-specific Parameters

Select the desired destination depending on your needs. If you want to play the SPS4, but not send any MIDI information to other MIDI instruments, then select Local. If you want to use the SPS4 strictly as a MIDI controller for the other modules in your MIDI chain, then select MIDI. If you want to make use of the SPS4's sounds as well as use it as a MIDI controller, then select **Local+MIDI**.

Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to Local+MIDI.

## **MIDI Bank**

The MIDI Bank parameter determines the MIDI Bank change message that the currently selected Zone sends when the Setup is loaded. You can set this parameter to a MIDI Bank change message from 0 to 127.

When using the SPS4 as a MIDI controller, sending a MIDI Bank change message (along with a MIDI program change message) when a Setup is loaded ensures that the Program loaded on the other sound modules in your MIDI chain is the Program that you want. For example, if you've configured a Setup to work in a specific way with Program 32 in Bank 5 of a connected sound module, then set MIDI Bank to 5 and MIDI Program to 32. This way, whenever you load this Setup, the sound module will automatically load Program 32 in Bank 5.

Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to the Bank number of the currently select Local Program.



**NOTE:** When you change the Local Program parameter, the MIDI Bank and MIDI Program parameters will automatically change to match the Bank and Program numbers of the Program that you select for Local Program. For example, if you choose Program 178, then MIDI Bank will change to 1 and MIDI Program will change to 50.



**NOTE:** A "Bank" is a SPS4-specific term not to be confused with the general "MIDI Bank", which contains 128 Objects. When transmitting MIDI Bank Change and MIDI Program Change messages, always think in terms of "MIDI Banks" rather than "Banks".

## **Differing Program Numbers**

If the programs on your connected sound module are organized by MIDI Bank with each program number being between **0** and **127**, then use the following formula to determine what number to enter for the MIDI Program Change Function:

[MIDI Bank number] \* 128 + [program number] - 1

So for example, if you want to send to a MIDI Program Change message for **Program 83** in **MIDI Bank 4**, you would enter the number **594**—this number is equal to 4 \* 128 + 83 - 1.

#### The Zone-specific Parameters

If the programs on your connected sound module are organized by MIDI Bank with each program number being between 1 and 128, then use the following formula to determine what number to enter in MIDI Program Change mode:

So for example, if you want to send to a MIDI Program Change message for **Program 83** in **MIDI Bank 4**, you would enter the number **595**—this number is equal to 4 \* 128 + 83.

## **MIDI Program**

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When using the SPS4 as a MIDI controller, sending a MIDI program change message (along with a MIDI bank change message) when a Setup is loaded ensures that the Program loaded on the other sound modules in your MIDI chain is the Program that you want. For example, if you've configured a Setup to work in a specific way with Program 32 in Bank 5 of a connected sound module, then set MIDI Bank to 5 and MIDI Program to 32. This way, whenever you load this Setup, the sound module will automatically load Program 32 in Bank 5.

Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to the Program number of the currently select Local Program.



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[MIDI Bank number] \* 128 + [program number]

So for example, if you want to send to a MIDI Program Change message for **Program 83** in **MIDI Bank 4**, you would enter the number **595**—this number is equal to 4 \* 128 + 83.

### **Bank Mode**

The Bank Mode parameter determines the controller number with which MIDI Bank change messages are transmitted. For MIDI Bank change messages, various manufacturers have chosen different MIDI controller numbers. Most have chosen 0, 32, or both. In the case of the Kurzweil K2600, it has its own unique controller number that it responds to.

You can set this parameter to any of the five controller IDs:

None	MIDI Bank change messages are disabled.
Ct10	MIDI Bank change messages are sent with controller number 0.
Ctl32	MIDI Bank change messages are sent with controller number 32.
Ct10/32	MIDI Bank change messages are sent with both controller numbers 0 and 32.
K2600	MIDI Bank change messages are sent with the

Kurzweil K2600 Bank change controller number.

Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to Ctl0/32.

### **Zone Status**

The Zone Status parameter determines whether the currently selected Zone is active or muted. You can set this parameter to either of two states: **Active** or **Muted**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **Active**.

### **Entry Program Change**

The Entry Program Change parameter determines whether or not the currently selected Zone can send a MIDI Program change message when the Setup is loaded. You can set this parameter to either **Off** or **On**. When set to **On**, the Zone will send a MIDI Program change message with the Program specified for the MIDI Program parameter (described above). Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **On**.

### **Aux Send Level**

The Aux Send Level parameter determines the send level for the auxiliary effects of the currently selected Zone. You can select any level from **0** to **127**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **20**.

For a description of the auxiliary effects of a Setup, see *About Auxiliary Effects on page 8-14* and *Common Parameters on page 8-14*.

### **Transpose**

The Transpose parameter determines the transposition for the currently selected Zone. You can set this to any value from -128 semitones to 127 semitones. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to 0.

### **Entry Pan**

The Entry Pan parameter determines the Pan MIDI message that the currently selected Zone sends when the Setup is loaded. You can set this parameter to any pan setting from 0 (full left pan) to 127 (full right pan). For zero panning, select 64 for this parameter. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to 64.

# **Entry Volume**

The Entry Volume parameter determines the Volume MIDI message that the currently selected Zone sends when the Setup is loaded. You can set this parameter to any volume setting from **0** to **127**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **127**.

### **Low Velocity**

The Low Velocity parameter determines the lowest velocity that a keystroke must have in order to trigger a note in the currently selected Zone. You can set this parameter to any velocity between 1 and 127. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to 1.

If, for example, you set Low Velocity to 20, then only keystrokes with velocities of 20 or above will trigger a note. Keystrokes with velocities lower than 20 will not trigger a note.

# **High Velocity**

The High Velocity parameter determines the highest velocity that a keystroke must have in order to trigger a note in the currently selected Zone. You can set this parameter to any velocity between **0** and **127**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **127**.

If, for example, you set High Velocity to **80**, then only keystrokes with velocities of **80** or below will trigger a note. Keystrokes with velocities higher than **80** will not trigger a note.

### **Low Key**

The Low Key parameter determines the lower boundary of the currently selected Zone. You can set this parameter to any note from **C-1** to **G9**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **C-1**.

If, for example, you set Low Key to C4, then only keys at or above C4 will trigger a note for the currently selected Zone. Keys below C4 will not trigger a note.

# **High Key**

The High Key parameter determines the higher boundary of the currently selected Zone. You can set this parameter to any note from **C-1** to **G9**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **G9**.

If, for example, you set High Key to C4, then only keys at or below C4 will trigger a note for the currently selected Zone. Keys above C4 will not trigger a note.

### **Bend Range Down**

The Bend Range Down parameter determines the lower bend of the Pitch Wheel. You can set this parameter to any value between **0** semitones and **127** semitones, or to **Prog**, which uses the Bend Range of the currently selected Program for the Zone. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **12** semitones.

### **Bend Range Up**

The Bend Range Up parameter determines the upper bend of the Pitch Wheel. You can set this parameter to any value between **0** semitones and **127** semitones, or to **Prog**, which uses the Bend Range of the currently selected Program for the Zone. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **2** semitones.

### **Continuous Controller Parameters**

The SPS4 has seven continuous controllers:

- Mod Slider
- Control Knob Function 1
- Control Knob Function 2
- Control Knob Function 3
- Control Knob Function 4
- Control Knob Function 5
- The CC Pedal

In Edit Setup mode, each of these controllers has the same three parameters:

### **Destination**

The Destination parameter determines the MIDI destination for the currently selected controller in the currently selected Zone. You can select from the following destinations:

Controller Number	Destination Name	Description
0	OFF/Bank	By default, when you enter 0 or Clear for the Destination parameter, the destination will be assigned to OFF. To select Bank as the destination, use the Value buttons.
1	MWheel	Default assignment for Mod Wheel
2	Breath	Default assignment for breath controller in compatible synths
3	MIDI 03	MIDI Controller 3
4	Foot	Default assignment for continuous foot controller in compatible synths
5	PortTim	Monophonic SPS4 programs respond to this Controller if portamento is turned on.
6	Data	Almost all SPS4 programs have this Controller assigned to filter frequency or brightness.
7	Volume	MIDI Volume
8	Balance	MIDI Balance
9	MIDI 09	MIDI Controller 9
10	Pan	MIDI Pan
11	Express	MIDI Expression—Default assignment for CC Pedal 1—In most programs it acts as a volume control. It scales between 0 and the current value of Volume.
12	MIDI 12	MIDI Controller 12
13	MIDI 13	
14	MIDI 14	Default destination for Control Knob Function 1 (Timbre)
15	MIDI 15	Default destination for Control Knob Function 2 (Mod)
16	Ctl A	Default destination for Control Knob Function 3 (Envelope)
17	Ctl B	Default destination for Control Knob Function 4 (Effect)
18	Ctl C	Default destination for Control Knob Function 5 (Reverb)
19	Ctl D	

Controller Number	Destination Name	Description	
20–31	MIDI 20-31	MIDI Controllers 20–31	
32	MIDI Bank	MIDI Bank change message	
33–63	MIDI 33-63	MIDI Controllers 33–63	
64	Sustain	Default destination for Footswitch 1	
65	MIDI 65		
66	Sostenut	Default destination for Footswitch 2—sustains notes that are currently down, but not notes played subsequently.	
67	Soft	Lowers the volume by a preset amount and may soften the timbre as well.	
68	Legato	Forces mono playback.	
69	Freeze	Envelopes freeze at current state.	
70–79	MIDI 70-79	MIDI Controllers 70–79	
80–83	MIDI 80-83	MIDI Controllers 80–83	
84	Portamen	Standard MIDI controller for setting Portamento starting note	
85–90	MIDI 85–90	MIDI Controllers 85–90	
91	GM Reverb	Reverb send level	
92	MIDI 92	MIDI Controller 92	
93	GM Chorus	Chorus send level	
94–95	MIDI 94–95	MIDI Controllers 94–95	
96	Data Inc	Equivalent to pressing the Next Value button	
97	Data Dec	Equivalent to pressing the <b>Previous</b> Value button	
98	NRegParL	Non–Registered Parameter Least Significant Byte	
99	NRegParM	Non–Registered Parameter Most Significant Byte	
100	RegParL	Registered Parameter Least Significant Byte	
101	RegParM	Registered Parameter Most Significant Byte	
102–119	MIDI 102-119	MIDI Controllers 102–119	
120	Sound Off	Stops all sound in the corresponding channel.	
121	RstCtls	Resets Controllers to defaults in the corresponding channel.	
122	Local		
123	Notes Off	Sends Note Off Message to all playing notes in the corresponding channel.	
124	Poly		
125	Omni		
126	Mono On		
127	Mono Off		
128	Pitch	Values above 64 and below 64 bend the pitch up and down, respectively.	
129	PitchRev	Values above 64 and below 64 bend the pitch down and up, respectively	
130	PitchUp	Values above 0 bend the pitch up	
131	PitchDwn	Values above 0 bend the pitch down	
132	Pressure	Pressure	
133	Tempo	Tempo	
134	KeyNum	Triggers playback of notes by Key Number—e.g., C4 is 60. Send a velocity first with Destination135, KeyVel.	

Controller Number	Destination Name	Description
135	KeyVel	Key Velocity
136	ProgInc	Program Increment—increments current program number.
137	ProgDec	Program Decrement—decrements current program number.
138	ProgGoto	Go to Program—selects program.
139	SetupInc	Setup Increment—increments current setup number.
140	SetupDec	Setup Decrement—increments current setup number.
141	SetpGoto	Go to Setup—selects setup.
142–144	MIDI 142-144	MIDI Controllers 142–144
145	TransUp	Transpose Up (ST)
146	TransDown	Transpose Down (ST)
147–148	MIDI 147-148	MIDI Controllers 147–148
149	MuteZn	Mute Zone – values above 64 will mute the zone, values below or equal to 64 will unmute the zone.
150–160	MIDI 150-160	MIDI Controllers 150–160
161	Panic	Panic
162	SoloZn	Solo Zone
163–178	MIDI 163-178	MIDI Controllers 163–178

### **Entry Value**

The Entry Value parameter determines the value of the continuous controller that is sent as a MIDI message when the current Setup is loaded. You can set this parameter to any number between **0** and **127**, or to **None**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **None**.

If Entry Value is set to **None**, then when you load the current Setup, the controller will be at whatever value corresponds to its current position. If you specify an Entry Value, then a MIDI controller message with this value will be sent when you load the current Setup.

### **Exit Value**

The Exit Value parameter determines the value of the continuous controller that is sent as a MIDI message when the current Setup is exited. You can set this parameter to any number between **0** and **127**, or to **None**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **None**.

If Exit Value is set to **None**, then when you leave the current Setup, the controller will be at whatever value corresponds to its current position. If you specify an Exit Value, then a MIDI controller message with this value will be sent when you close the current Setup.

### The Foot Switch Parameters

There are four parameters that affect the behavior of the Foot Switch controller:

#### Destination

The Destination parameter determines the MIDI destination for the currently selected controller in the currently selected Zone. For a list of the MIDI destinations and their descriptions, see *Destination on page 8-10*.

### Mode

The Mode parameter determines the switching action of the Foot Switch. You can set this parameter either of two settings:

**Momentary** A momentary switch is one that is only in the "on"

state when it is pressed. As soon as you release the

switch, it goes into the "off" state.

**Toggled** A toggled switch is one that maintains its state after

it is pressed. So, if the switch is currently in the "off" state, pressing it once will put it in the "on" state. Pressing it again will put it back in the "off"

state.

Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **Toggled**.

### **Entry State**

The Entry State parameter determines the state of the Foot Switch that is sent as a MIDI message when the current Setup is loaded. You can set this parameter to **None**, **On**, or **Off**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **None**.

If Entry State is set to **None**, then when you load the current Setup, the Foot Switch will be at whatever value corresponds to its current position. If you specify an Entry State, then a MIDI controller message with this value will be sent when you load the current Setup.

#### Exit State

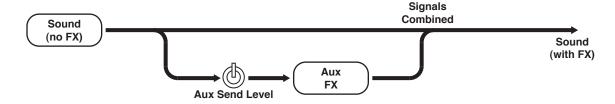
The Exit State parameter determines the state of the Foot Switch that is sent as a MIDI message when the current Setup is exited. You can set this parameter to **None**, **On**, or **Off**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **None**.

If Exit State is set to **None**, then when you close the current Setup, the Foot Switch will be at whatever value corresponds to its current position. If you specify an Exit State, then a MIDI controller message with this value will be sent when you close the current Setup.

**About Auxiliary Effects** 

# **About Auxiliary Effects**

Programs and Setups both have an auxiliary effect. An auxiliary effect is an effect that is not in the direct path of the sound, but rather, it "receives" the sound, and then outputs effect-altered sound, which is mixed back with the original sound. The following diagram illustrates the signal path of a sound through the auxiliary effect:



### **Common Parameters**

In addition to the Zone-specific parameters described above, a Setup has two parameters common to all of its Zones. These two parameters determine the auxiliary effect of the Setup.

### **Aux Effect Override**

The Aux Effect Override parameter determines whether or not the auxiliary effect of the Setup is overridden with another effect. You can set this parameter to either **Prog** or to any Chain Effect number between **0** and **999**.

Setting this parameter to **Prog** results in the auxiliary effect of one of the Programs of Setup being used—you specify which Program with the other common parameter Aux Effect Channel, which is described below. Setting Aux Effect Override to any of the Effect Chains allows you to select an auxiliary effect not present in any of the Programs being used in the Setup. Either way, the same auxiliary effect is used for all of the Zones of the Setup.

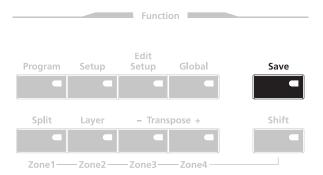
Saving in Setup Mode

### **Aux Effect Channel**

With Prog selected for the Aux Effect Override parameter, the Aux Effect Channel parameter allows you to choose which Zone's auxiliary effect is used for the entire Setup. You can set this parameter to any of MIDI channels of the Zones currently in use within the Setup.

Selecting the channel of one of the active Zones within the Setup will load the auxiliary effect of that Zone's Program as the auxiliary effect of the Setup. Note that changing this parameter only results in a change in sound if Prog is selected for Aux Effect Override. If an Effect Chain is specified for Aux Effect Override, then that effect—not the effect on the channel specified for Aux Effect Channel—will be in use.

# **Saving in Setup Mode**



When you make a change to the current Setup using the Control Knob, the **Save** button LED will light up indicating that a change has been made to the Setup. To save the current Setup, press the **Save** button once. The **Save** button LED will blink to indicate that a save operation is underway, and the User Bank LED will also be lit. If the Setup is an edited Factory Setup (i.e., a Setup in Bank 1), the default save location will be the next available location in the User Bank. If all 64 User Bank slots are taken, then the Setup is saved in the last slot in the User Bank, overwriting what was previously in that slot. If the current Setup is a Setup already in the User Bank, then the Setup is saved in its current Setup slot. At this point, you can rename the new Setup using the secondary alphanumeric functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons.

When the **Save** button LED is blinking (which means that you pressed Save, and a save operation is underway), pressing **Save** again will cause the system to save the current Setup to the indicated Group and Sound in the User Bank. If you want to save it to a different location in the User Bank, select the location via the Group Select and Sound Select buttons (or using the Value buttons) before pressing **Save** again.

Pressing any other button while the **Save** button is blinking will cancel the save operation.

Edit Setup Mode		
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# Chapter 9 Global Mode

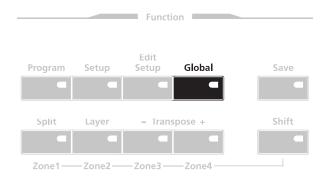
This chapter will help you familiarize yourself with the features of Global mode.

Global Mode gives you access to the global parameters of the SPS4—that is, it allows you to edit the master settings of the unit. It also allows you to restore factory defaults on the unit by performing a Hard Reset.



CAUTION: PERFORMING A HARD RESET WILL DELETE ALL USER-CREATED PROGRAMS, SETUPS, AND GLOBAL SETTINGS.

To enter Global mode from another mode, press the **Global** Function button. While you are in Global mode, the **Global** button's indicator LED is illuminated. When you enter Global mode, the last selected parameter since power-up (or the Tuning parameter if you're entering Global mode for the first time since power-up) will be the currently selected parameter.



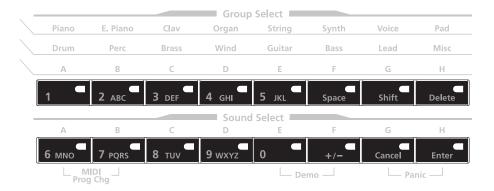
Selecting and Editing Parameters

# **Selecting and Editing Parameters**

To scroll through the parameters (and dialogues) of Global mode, use the **Chan / Param** buttons.

Parameter or Dialogue	Range of Values	Default Value	
Tuning	-100 to 100 Cents	0 Cents	
Velocity Map (VMap)	Linear, Light 1, Light 2, Light 3, Hard 1, Hard 2, Hard 3, Piano Touch, Easy Touch, GM Receive	Medium	
FX Select (FXSel)	Performance, Multitrack	Performance	
Channel Enable (ChanEn)	Enable, Disable	Enable	
Destination (Dest)	Local, MIDI, Local+MIDI	Local+MIDI	
Bank Select (Bank- Sel)	None, CtI0, CtI32, CtI0/32	CtI0/32	
Program Change (ProgChg)	On, Off	On	
Local Keyboard Channel (LcIK- bdChan)	1 to 16	1	
SysEx ID	0 to 127	0	
Hard Reset?			
Save All?	(See corresponding sections below)		
Load All?			

To edit the currently selected parameter, simply use the **Next** and **Previous** Value buttons below the display. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will jump to a different value depending on the parameter—the jump value is mentioned in each of the parameter descriptions below. Additionally, you can use the secondary numeric functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons:



The following are the global parameters of the SPS4. The settings of these parameters are in effect regardless of what Program or Setup you have currently selected.

# **Tuning**

The Tuning parameter allows you to fine-tune the unit in cents—one cent is one hundredth of a semitone (100 cents comprise a semitone). You can select any tuning from -100 cents to 100 cents. By default this parameter is set to 0. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **0**.

# **Velocity Map (VMap)**

The Velocity Map (VMap) parameter determines the way the SPS4 generates MIDI velocity information. Different maps generate different MIDI velocity values for the same physical key strike velocity (note that this setting is applied to notes on top of any velocity settings made per Setup, per Zone). The default map (Linear) provides the widest range of velocity expression, but you may want to choose different map if the default does not suit your playing style You can select from any of the following settings:

Linear	The MIDI output velocity is directly proportional to the strike velocity. The highest possible MIDI velocity will be output from the fastest velocity that the physical keys can detect, and the lowest possible MIDI velocity will be output from the slowest velocity that the physical keys can detect. All other MIDI and strike velocities are evenly spaced between these two extremes in the <b>Linear</b> map, allowing for an even distribution of strike and MIDI velocities.
Light 1 Light 2 Light 3	The MIDI output velocity is higher than with the <b>Linear</b> Velocity Map. From <b>Light 1</b> to <b>Light 3</b> , it is easier to produce high MIDI velocity values for the same key strike velocity (with <b>Light 3</b> being the easiest). These maps are best suited for ensemble playing.
Hard 1 Hard 2 Hard 3	The MIDI output velocity is lower than with the Linear Velocity Map. From Hard 1 to Hard 3, it is harder to produce high MIDI velocity values for the same key strike velocity (with Hard 3 being the hardest).

**Piano Touch** The MIDI output velocity is similar to the strike

velocity response of an acoustic piano, and is best

suited for playing acoustic piano programs.

Easy Touch This Velocity Map is similar to the **Light** Maps and

make high MIDI velocities easier to produce. But, it allows more sensitive control over producing high MIDI velocities by not boosting the MIDI velocity for fast strike velocities as much as it does for

medium strike velocities.

**GM Receive** This Velocity Map mimics the Velocity Map

commonly used by keyboards that use the General MIDI (GM) sound set. The **GM Receive** Map makes medium strike velocities produce higher MIDI velocities compared to the **Linear** map. **GM Receive** affects notes from the SPS4's keyboard as

well as those from the MIDI in port.

Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to Linear.

# **FX Select (FXSel)**

The FX Select (FXSel) parameter determines how the SPS4 responds to interrupts with regards to effects. You can set this parameter to either **Performance** or **Multitrack**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **Performance**.

With FX Select set to **Performance**, the SPS4 minimizes disruption of existing effects when changing Programs, and entry values will not disrupt sustained notes when changing Programs in Program Mode. When controlling the SPS4 from an external sequencer in Program Mode, setting FX Select to **Multitrack** will minimize effect disruption.

### Channel Enable (ChanEn)

For each of the 16 MIDI channels, you can set the Channel Enable (ChanEn) parameter to either **Enable** or **Disable**. For each channel, setting this parameter to Enable enables the channel to transmit and receive MIDI messages and setting it to **Disable** disables such functions. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **Enable**.

### **Destination (Dest)**

The Destination parameter determines the destination of MIDI data generated by striking keys or activating controllers. This data can be sent to the SPS4 sound engine, through the MIDI out ports, or both. You can set this parameter to any of the three destinations for this parameter:

Local MIDI data is sent only to the SPS4 sound engine.

The MIDI OUT port is disabled.

MIDI data is sent only through the MIDI OUT port.

The sounds of the SPS4 are disabled.

**Local+MIDI** MIDI data is sent both to the SPS4 sound engine

and through the MIDI OUT port.

Select the desired destination depending on your needs. If you want to play the SPS4, but not send any MIDI information to other MIDI instruments, then select Local. If you want to use the SPS4 strictly as a MIDI controller for the other modules in your MIDI chain, then select MIDI. If you want to make use of the SPS4's sounds as well as use it as a MIDI controller, then select Local+MIDI.

Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to Local+MIDI.

# Bank Select (BankSel)

The Bank Mode parameter determines the controller number with which MIDI Bank change messages are transmitted. For MIDI Bank change messages, various manufacturers have chosen different MIDI controller numbers. Most have chosen 0, 32, or both.

You can set this parameter to any of the following four controller IDs:

None MIDI Bank change messages are disabled.

Ctl0 MIDI Bank change messages are sent with controller

number 0.

Ctl32 MIDI Bank change messages are sent with controller

number 32.

Ct10/32 MIDI Bank change messages are sent with both

controller numbers 0 and 32.

Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to Ct10/32.

# Program Change (ProgChg)

The Program Change (ProgChg) parameter determines whether or not entry MIDI Program Change messages are sent for Setups. You can set this parameter to either **On** or **Off**. Pressing both Value buttons simultaneously will set this parameter to **On**.

Note that when you perform a MIDI Program Change through MIDI Program Change Mode, the setting of the Global Program Change parameter (as well as the setting of the Global MIDI Transmit parameter) is ignored.

# Local Keyboard Channel (LclKbdChan)

Changing the setting of the Local Keyboard Channel parameter is useful only when your SPS4 is receiving MIDI information from an external source. Perhaps you have a favorite MIDI keyboard that you use to control all the gear in your studio, or you use a lot of outboard sequencing. If you're using the SPS4 as a standalone music workstation or performance keyboard, you can ignore this parameter.

The local keyboard channel enables the SPS4 to receive MIDI information on a single channel, then rechannelize that information so you can play and control all four zones of a setup, even if your MIDI source transmits on only one channel. When you're in Program mode, the local keyboard channel remaps incoming information to the SPS4's current channel. When using the local keyboard channel all the MIDI information received on the Local Keyboard Channel also gets sent—after being remapped—to the SPS4's MIDI and USB Out ports.

You may find it more convenient to use the local keyboard channel. In this case, the SPS4 remaps incoming MIDI to the SPS4's current channel, so in Program mode, you'll always play the program on the SPS4's current channel. Incoming MIDI also gets sent to the SPS4's MIDI and USB Out port. On the other hand, in this case your MIDI source's transmitting channel must match the SPS4's local keyboard channel for anything to work.

Things are a bit different for playing Setups. In this case, you must use the Local Keyboard Channel to be able to play and control all of the Setup's zones. Set LclKbdChan to match the channel your external MIDI source is using (if for example your MIDI source transmits on Channel 1, set LclKbdChan to 1). All MIDI information that the SPS4 receives on the local keyboard channel gets remapped to the channels and control destinations used by the zones in the setup.

The SPS4 also remaps certain MIDI Controller messages that it receives on the Local Keyboard Channel, so that they correspond (in most cases) to the default assignments for the SPS4's physical controllers (Mod Wheel, control knob, etc.). Physical controller assignments are handled by Setups, and are defined per Zone in Edit Setup Mode. Each Zone of a setup has its own controller assignments.

### Sysex ID

The SysExID parameter determines the ID number for the unit if you are using more than one device with the same MIDI manufacturer ID number. You can set this parameter to any number from **0** to **127**.

Unless you have multiple SPS4s receiving Sysex messages from a single source, you will not need to change the Sysex ID from the default setting of **0**.

The "Hard Reset?" Dialogue

If you do have multiple SPS4s receiving Sysex messages from a single source, make sure each SPS4 has a different Sysex ID. This will allow you to direct Sysex messages to the appropriate SPS4 by specifying which unit with the Sysex ID byte that's included with every Sysex message.

To have the unit respond to Sysex messages regardless of the Sysex ID, set Sysex ID to 127.

# The "Hard Reset?" Dialogue



CAUTION: PERFORMING A HARD RESET WILL DELETE ALL USER-CREATED PROGRAMS AND SETUPS AND WILL RESTORE ALL PARAMETERS TO DEFAULT VALUES. THIS ACTION CANNOT BE UNDONE.

The "Hard Reset?" dialogue allows you to restore factory defaults to the SPS4. Pressing Next in this dialogue will change the display to "Confirm?" Pressing **Next** in the "Confirm?" dialogue will result in a hard reset—pressing **Previous** in the "Confirm?" dialogue will recall the "Hard Reset?" dialogue.

Be sure to save your work off to external storage (See "The "Save All?" Dialogue" on page 9-7). Once deleted, the files are completely removed from the SPS4 and there is no way to retrieve them.

To exit the Hard Reset dialogue, simply select another parameter using the **Chan / Param** buttons, or enter another Mode using the Mode Functions buttons.

# The "Save All?" Dialogue

The "Save All?" dialogue allows you to save every User-bank Program and User-bank Setup to a computer connected to the unit via USB. You can select **Yes** by pressing the **Next** Value button—pressing **Previous** will do nothing.

If a computer is connected and you select **Yes**, the display will show the message "Press Next for saving the file". Pressing **Previous** will cancel the save operation and recall the "Save All?" dialogue. Pressing **Next** will save to the SPS4 temporary drive and the display will show the message "The file is in the temporary drive, copy it to your hard disk". If an error occurs during the save operation, then the display will show the error message "Save Error".

If the SPS4 is not connected to a computer, the display will show the error message "Please connect the unit to the computer". Pressing Previous will recall the "Save All?" dialogue—pressing **Next** will retry to connect.

The "Load All?" Dialogue

# The "Load All?" Dialogue

The "Load All?" dialogue allows you to load a file containing previously saved User-bank Program and User-bank Setup from a computer connected to the unit via USB. You can select **Yes** by pressing the **Next** Value button—pressing **Previous** will do nothing.

If a computer is connected and you select **Yes**, the SPS4 will appear on the connected computer as a temporary drive and the display will show "Put the file to be loaded into the temporary drive". Pressing **Previous** will cancel the load operation and recall the "Load All?" dialogue. Pressing **Next** will load the file and the display will show "File loaded". If no file is in the SPS4 temporary drive during the load, the display will show the message "Nothing loaded". If an error occurs during the load operation, then the display will show the error message "Load Error".

If the SPS4 is not connected to a computer, the display will show the error message "Please connect the unit to the computer". Pressing Previous will recall the "Load All?" dialogue—pressing Next will retry to connect.

# **Chapter 10 System Mode**



<u>CAUTION:</u> DO NOT ATTEMPT TO MAKE ANY CHANGES IN SYSTEM MODE UNTIL YOU HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTOOD THIS ENTIRE CHAPTER.

This chapter will help you familiarize yourself with the functions of System Mode.

System Mode allows you manage and upgrade the OS software of your SPS4 as well as perform diagnostic tests of the instrument's various internal systems and processes. Note that the functions that you have access to in System Mode govern the operation of your SPS4, so only use System Mode when you must perform essential maintenance tasks.

To enter System Mode, follow these steps:

- 1. Power off your SPS4.
- 2. Press and the hold the **Shift** button, and power on the unit. The display will show the text "Loading..." as if you were normally starting up the unit. Make sure to keep holding the Shift button until the text "SPS4 bootloader vx.x" (where x.x is the version of the bootloader software) scrolls across the display. After this splash screen, you will be offered with the option "Run SPS4".
- 3. Release the **Shift** button—at this point, you are in System Mode.

Using the **Chan / Param** buttons, you can scroll through the list of actions of System Mode:

- Run SPS4
- Update Software
- Run Diagnostics
- System Reset
- File Utilities



**CAUTION:** THE System Reset AND File Utilities OPERATIONS BOTH ERASE ALL USER OBJECTS.

**Buttons in System Mode** 

# **Buttons in System Mode**

The following buttons have the following functionalities in System Mode:

**Previous** Move to parent menu. Similar to a "cancel" button.

**Next** Make selection and move into sub-menu if any. Like

an "OK" button.

Chan / Param Up Move to "previous" menu option within a menu/

sub-menu or scroll up to read diagnostic or other results/messages, when diagnostics are complete.

Chan / Param Down Move to "next" menu option, when in a menu or

scroll down to read diagnostic or other results/ messages, when diagnostics are complete.

# Run SPS4

This is first option that System Mode offers. Pressing **Next** will load the OS and the SPS4 will start up as if you just switched on the unit (except for the "Loading..." message that happens when you first start up the unit).

# **Update Software**

This group of operations is used to install OS and Object updates from Kurzweil. The Update files have an extension "KUF", which is a compressed archive of all software updates required for the system.

### **Update**

- 1. Obtain the Update file from the Kurzweil website or another reliable source, save it in a known folder or directory your computer.
- 2. Connect the SPS4 (powered off) to your computer with a USB cord. Then enter System Mode as specified on *page 10-1*. The SPS4 will appear as drive on your computer.
- 3. Press **Chan / Param Down** once. This will take you to the next option which is "Update Software". Press **Next** to select this group of operations. This will give you with the option "Update".
- 4. Press **Next** to start the Update operation. The displayed message will ask you to copy the Update file to the SPS4 drive on your computer. Copy the file. Once copied, "Safely Remove" or "Unmount" the removable disk/drive from your computer.

- 5. Press **Next** on your SPS4. If the KUF file is valid, then the SPS4 will display the message "Updating". This will take a minute or two.
- 6. Once you see a "Done" message, power cycle unit or press **Previous** to go back to System Mode main menu.

### Restore

Whenever you update the SPS4's software, a backup of the currently installed software is made. This is in case of a need to revert back to the old software, such as if the new update has problems or for simply for troubleshooting.



**NOTE:** Only the previously installed version of the software is backed up. When you perform a Restore operation again, the current version is backed up. So, it's possible to go back and forth between versions.

Unlike the Update operation, the Restore operation can be performed without a computer connected to the SPS4:

- 1. Start off by entering System Mode as specified on page 10-1.
- 2. Press **Chan / Param Down** once. This will take you to the next option which is "Update Software". Press **Next** to select this group of operations. This will give you with the option "Update".
- 3. Press **Chan / Param Down** once. This will take you to the next option which is "Restore".
- 4. Press **Next** to perform the Restore operation.

# **Run Diagnostics**

You will most likely not need to use the Run Diagnostics operations in normal cases. These operations are mostly used at the factory and service centers by engineers for troubleshooting problems with hardware. But, in some cases you might be required to run these diagnostics for troubleshooting and diagnosing symptoms. In these cases, follow the direction of an authorized Kurzweil technician.

# **System Reset**



### **CAUTION:** THIS OPERATION ERASES ALL USER OBJECTS.

If you've made many, complex updates to your Objects, and have saved a number of files off to external storage, you might want to restore the instrument to its default state. This is especially helpful if you're having problems getting sound programs or setups to work properly, or think there may be some kind of underlying hardware problem.

### File Utilities

To clear all user objects and restore the factory default state, select the System Reset utility using the **Chan / Param** buttons, and then press the **Next** Value button. The SPS4 will ask you to confirm this action. Press the **Next** Value button to complete the system reset, or press the **Previous** Value button to stop the operation.

Remember to save your work off to external storage using Global Mode (See *The "Save All?"* Dialogue on page 9-7). Once deleted, the files are completely removed from the SPS4 and there is no way to retrieve them.

### **File Utilities**



# **CAUTION:** THIS OPERATION ERASES THE OPERATING SYSTEM, ALL FACTORY OBJECTS AND ALL USER OBJECTS.

File Utilities has only one operation: Format. Performing this operation will format the SPS4's system flash memory and erase the OS software as well as *all* Objects. Do not do this unless you think it is necessary in order to improve the performance of your SPS4. Should you decide to do so, be sure to back up all of your files and software. After you do this, System Mode will still be available, so you can run updates and get your SPS4 up-and-running again. After a Format the unit will come up in System Mode by default.

To perform a Format, follow these steps:

- 1. Start off by entering System Mode as specified on page 10-1.
- 2. Press **Chan / Param Up** once. This will take you to the previous option which is "File Utilities". Press **Next** to select this operation. The unit display the message "Delete All?".
- 3. Press **Next** to perform the Format operation.

# Chapter 11 Tutorials

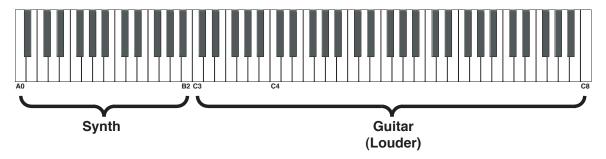
This chapter contains tutorials on editing Objects. By going through them step-by-step, you will better understand the process of the editing Setups. Additionally, this chapter will point you in the right direction for descriptions on performing certain technical tasks.

# Creating a Setups from a Program

These tutorials will help you create a two-Zone Setup (as either a Split or a Layer) from a Program. Recall that when you create a Split or Layer while in Program Mode, you are in fact creating a Setup. These Functions are convenient, as you do not need to go through Edit Setup Mode to delineate Zones, assign Programs, etc. You can simply hit the **Split** or **Layer** Function button, and the SPS4 automatically creates a two-Zone Setup for you, with default values for parameters of the Split or Layer.

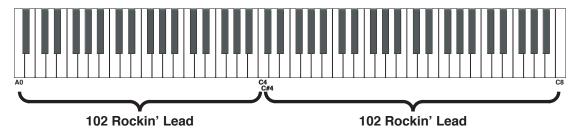
# Creating a Split Setup from a Program

As an example for this tutorial, let's consider creating a Split Setup with a synth Program for the left-hand keyboard region (aka, the Secondary Voice) and a guitar Program for the right-hand keyboard region (aka, the Primary Voice). Let's make the division of regions be at B2 (an octave and a half-step below C4, or middle-C) so that the right-hand region has a lot of "room" for soloing. Finally, let's have the right-hand region be slightly louder than the left-hand region, and have the left-hand region lowered by an octave. The following figure illustrates this scenario:



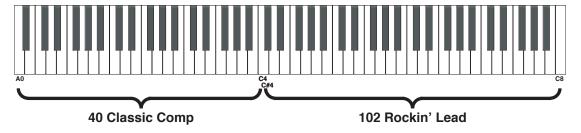
To create this Split Setup follow these steps. Be careful not to exit any of the Split parameter pages before the Split Setup is complete. If you do, then simply exit Program Mode and then enter it again and start from step 1:

- 1. Enter Program Mode by pressing the **Program** Function button. Using the Value buttons or Object Select buttons, choose the Program you want for the Primary Voice of the Split. For our example, let's choose Program **102 Rockin' Lead**.
- 2. Press the **Split** Function button. Doing this makes the SPS4 create a Setup with a two active Zones split at middle-C. At this point, both Voices are identical (except for their keyboard regions and MIDI transmit channels): they have the same Program, Volume, and Transposition. The following figure illustrates our current Split Setup:



Note that as soon as we hit the Split Function button, the **Save** button illuminates. This simply indicates that a change has been made. The **Save** button will be involved in the final step of this process.

3. Let's now change the Split Program. Recall that the Split Program determines the Program for the Secondary Voice. At this point the display should read "Split Program: 102 Rockin' Lead". Use the Value buttons or Object Select buttons to choose a Program. For our example, let's choose Program 40 Classic Comp for the Split Program. The following figure illustrates our current Split Setup:



4. Let's now change the Split Volume. Recall that the Split Volume determines the *relative* volumes of the two Voices: positive values increase the volume of the Secondary Voice and decrease the volume of the Primary Voice. Negative values decrease the volume of the Secondary Voice and increase the volume of the Primary Voice.

First, use the **Chan / Param** buttons to select the Split Volume parameter. Then, use the Value buttons to set the Split Volume. For our example, since we want our guitar to be slightly louder than our synth, let's set this parameter to **-20**.

5. Let's now change the Split Key. Recall that the Split Key determines the lowest note in the Primary Zone—one note below this note is the highest note in the Secondary Zone.

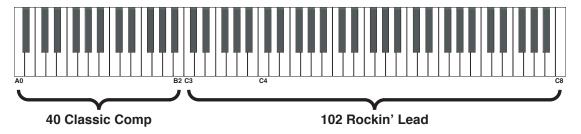
First, use the **Chan / Param** buttons to select the Split Key parameter.



**NOTE:** You can directly select the Split Key by holding down the Sound Select **H** (aka **Enter**) button and then striking the desired key on the keyboard (you can also use the Value buttons to set this parameter).

For our example, let's select B2 by the method just described or by using the Value buttons to set Split Key to 47 (recall that middle-C, or C4, has a note number of 64).

The following figure illustrates our current Split Setup:



6. Let's now change the Split Transposition. Recall that the Split Transposition determines the transposition of the Secondary Voice relative to that of the Primary Voice. It can be set to -24, -12, 0, 12, and 24.

First, use the Chan / Param buttons to select the Split Transposition parameter. Then, use the Value buttons to set the Split Transposition. For our example, since we want our synth to be one octave lower than normal, let's set this parameter to -12.

7. Finally, let's now save our newly-created Setup. Recall that the **Save** button is illuminated. To save our Setup, press the **Save** button once. The **Save** button LED will blink to indicate that a save operation is underway, and the User Bank LED will also be lit. The default save location will be the next available location in the Setup User Bank. If all 64 User Bank slots are taken, then the Setup is saved in the last slot in the User Bank, overwriting what was previously in that slot. If the current Setup is a Setup already in the User Bank, then the Setup is saved in its current Setup slot. At this point, you can rename the new Setup using the secondary alphanumeric functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons.

When the **Save** button LED is blinking (which means that you pressed Save, and a save operation is underway), pressing **Save** again will cause the system to save the Setup to the indicated Group and Sound in the User Bank. If you want to save it to a different location in the User Bank, select the location via the Group Select and Sound Select buttons (or using the Value buttons) before pressing **Save** again.

Pressing any other button while the **Save** button is blinking will cancel the save operation.

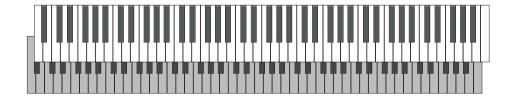
Your Split Setup is now complete!

# **Creating a Layer Setup from a Program**

As an example for this tutorial, let's consider creating a Layer Setup with a layer of vibes and a layer of flute. Let's have the vibes be slightly louder than the flute, and have the flute lowered by an octave. For our example, we'll refer to the vibes as the Primary Voice and the flute as the Secondary Voice. The following figure illustrates this scenario:



Flute Secondary Voice

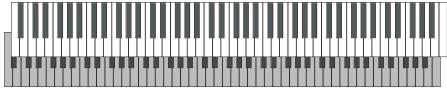


To create this Layer Setup follow these steps. Be careful not to exit any of the Layer parameter pages before the Layer Setup is complete. If you do, then simply exit Program Mode and then enter it again and start from step 1:

- 1. Start by entering Program Mode by pressing the **Program** Function button. Using the Value buttons or Object Select buttons, choose the Program you want for the Primary Voice. For our example, let's choose Program **88 Real Vibes**.
- 2. Press the **Layer** Function button. Doing this makes the SPS4 create a Setup with a two Zones with the same keyboard regions--i.e., overlapping keyboard regions. At this point, both Voices are identical (except for channel): they have the same Program, Volume, and Transposition. The following figure illustrates our current Setup:

88 Real Vibes Primary Voice

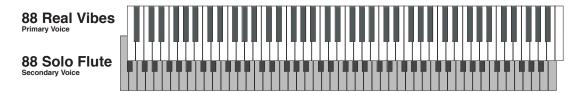
88 Real Vibes
Secondary Voice



Note that as soon as we hit the Layer Function button, the **Save** button illuminated. This simply indicates that a change has been made. The **Save** button will be involved in the final step of this process.

3. Let's now change the Layer Program. Recall that the Layer Program determines the Program for the Secondary Voice. At this point the display should read "Layer Program: 88 Real Vibes". Use the Value buttons or Object Select buttons to choose a Program. For our example, let's choose Program 88 Solo Flute for the Layer Program.

The following figure illustrates our current Layer Setup:



- 4. Let's now change the Layer Volume. Recall that the Layer Volume determines the *relative* volumes of the two Voices: positive values increase the volume of the Secondary Voice and decrease the volume of the Primary Voice. Negative values decrease the volume of the Secondary Voice and increase the volume of the Primary Voice.
  - First, use the **Chan / Param** buttons to select the Layer Volume parameter. Then, use the Value buttons to set the Layer Volume. For our example, since we want our vibes to be slightly louder than our flute, let's set this parameter to **-20**.
- 5. Let's now change the Layer Transposition. Recall that the Layer Transposition determines the transposition of the Secondary Voice relative to that of the Primary Voice. It can be set to -24, -12, 0, 12, and 24.
  - First, use the **Chan / Param** buttons to select the Layer Transposition parameter. Then, use the Value buttons to set the Layer Transposition. For our example, since we want our flute to be one octave lower than normal, let's set this parameter to **-12**.
- 6. Finally, let's now save our newly-created Layer Setup. Recall that the **Save** button is illuminated. To save our Layer Setup, press the **Save** button once. The **Save** button LED will blink to indicate that a save operation is underway, and the User Bank LED will also be lit. The default save location will be the next available location in the Setup User Bank. If all 64 User Bank slots are taken, then the Setup is saved in the last slot in the User Bank, overwriting what was previously in that slot. If the current Setup is a Setup already in the User Bank, then the Setup is saved in its current Setup slot. At this point, you can rename the new Layer Setup using the secondary alphanumeric functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons.

When the **Save** button LED is blinking (which means that you pressed Save, and a save operation is underway), pressing **Save** again will cause the system to save the Layer Setup

### Creating a Layer Setup with Velocity-dependent Zones

to the indicated Group and Sound in the User Bank. If you want to save it to a different location in the User Bank, select the location via the Group Select and Sound Select buttons (or using the Value buttons) before pressing **Save** again.

Pressing any other button while the **Save** button is blinking will cancel the save operation.

Your Layer Setup is now complete!

# Creating a Layer Setup with Velocity-dependent Zones

This tutorial will help you create a Setup with two active Zones such that one Zone will be heard when the Setup is played softly and the other Zone will be heard when the Setup is played loudly. As an example for this tutorial, let's consider creating a Setup in which an acoustic guitar is heard when the Setup is played softly, and an electric guitar is heard when the Setup is played loudly. Additionally, let's have our example Setup be louder when the electrical guitar is heard.

1. First we need a Setup with two active Zones. The easiest way to create such a Setup that will serve the purpose of this tutorial is by creating a two-Layer Setup (see *Creating a Layer Setup from a Program on page 11-4*). For our example, let's choose Program **96 Ac Guitar** for our Primary Voice and Program **102 Rockin' Lead**. Set the following Layer parameters like so:

Layer Program 102 Rockin' Lead

Layer Volume 20
Layer Transposition 0

Remember to save your Setup!

Alternatively, we could edit a factory Setup. This, however, would take longer since we would have to check all of the parameters for both active Zones to make sure that they are equal before we start editing the parameters that differ between Zones.

Let's now go into Edit Setup Mode by pressing the **Edit Setup** Function button. In this Mode, we will alter the velocity ranges of the Zones in our Setup. See *Edit Setup Mode on page 8-1* for more information on the parameters of a Setup.

For Zone 1 (our acoustic guitar Zone), set the following two parameters like so (use the **Chan / Param** buttons to select the parameters and the Value buttons to edit them):

Low Velocity 1
High Velocity 96

For Zone 2 (our acoustic guitar Zone), set the following two parameters like so (again,

use the **Chan / Param** buttons to select the parameters and the Value buttons to edit them):

Low Velocity 97 High Velocity 127

2. Finally, let's now save our newly-created Setup. Recall that the **Save** button is illuminated. To save our Layer Setup, press the **Save** button once. The **Save** button LED will blink to indicate that a save operation is underway, and the User Bank LED will also be lit. The default save location will be the next available location in the Setup User Bank. If all 64 User Bank slots are taken, then the Setup is saved in the last slot in the User Bank, overwriting what was previously in that slot. If the current Setup is a Setup already in the User Bank, then the Setup is saved in its current Setup slot. At this point, you can rename the new Setup using the secondary alphanumeric functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons.

When the **Save** button LED is blinking (which means that you pressed Save, and a save operation is underway), pressing **Save** again will cause the system to save the Layer Setup to the indicated Group and Sound in the User Bank. If you want to save it to a different location in the User Bank, select the location via the Group Select and Sound Select buttons (or using the Value buttons) before pressing **Save** again.

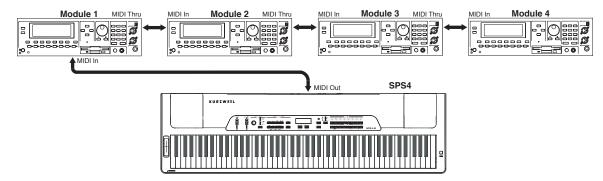
Pressing any other button while the **Save** button is blinking will cancel the save operation.

Your Setup is now complete!

# **Controlling Multiple Modules with a Single Setup**

This tutorial will help you create a Setup with which you can control four different sound modules connected to your SPS4 via MIDI. Before reading this tutorial be sure to read *Connecting MIDI on page 2-7*.

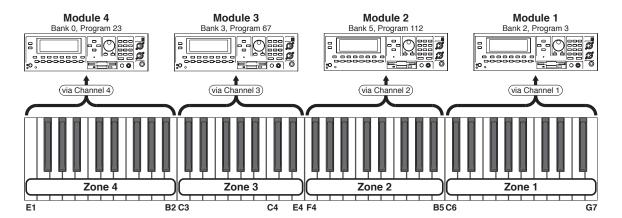
First, consider the following arrangement:



Note that the SPS4 is being used as the MIDI controller for all four of the modules. To be able to control each of the four modules individually, we need to create a Setup with four non-overlapping Zones, each of which will control a particular module. For our example, let's say the following:

- We want only to use the SPS4 as a MIDI controller for the other modules
- All of our Modules will have the same panning, volume, velocity range, and bend range.
- The Foot Switch will act as a sustain pedal for only Module 1
- The Mod Wheel will affect only Module 2, for which it will act as a Mod Wheel.
- Control Knob Function 1 will affect only Module 3 and Module 4, for both of which it will act as a Volume control.
- The Zones will have the following ranges and affect only the following Modules set to the following MIDI Channels, Programs, and Banks:

Zone	Range	Module	Channel	Bank	Program
Zone 1	C6-G7	Module 1	1	2	3
Zone 2	F4-B5	Module 2	2	5	112
Zone 3	C3-E4	Module 3	3	3	67
Zone 4	E1-B2	Module 4	4	0	23



- 1. First, we need a Setup. Let's pick any factory Setup to work with. We will alter the parameter values of the Zones in the steps to follow.
- 2. Let's now go into Edit Setup Mode by pressing the **Edit Setup** Function button. In this Mode, we will alter the parameters of our Setup. See *Edit Setup Mode on page 8-1* for more information on the parameters of a Setup.

3. Let's now set all of the parameters that will be the same for all Zones. Note that if the parameter is the same as the default value, you can simply press both Value buttons simultaneous to set the parameter to the default value. An asterisks (\*) indicates a default value:

Parameter for Each Zone	Value
Destination	MIDI
Bank Mode	CtI0/32*
Zone Status	Active*
Entry Program Change	On*
Transpose	0*
Entry Pan	64*
Entry Volume	127*
Low Velocity	1*
High Velocity	127*
Bend Range Down	12 ST*
Rend Range Up	12 ST*

Since we will not be using local sound, the settings for the following parameters are inconsequential:

Parameter for Each Zone
Local Program
Destination
Zone Status
Entry Program Change
Aux Send Level
Common Parameter
Aux Effect Override
Aux Effect Channel

4. Let's now set the following Zone-specific parameters thusly (note that "Unassigned Number" means a MIDI controller number that is unassigned on the target Module):

Zone 1		Zone 2		
Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value	
Channel	1	Channel	2	
MIDI Bank	2	MIDI Bank	5	
MIDI Program	3	MIDI Program	112	
Low Key	C6	Low Key	F4	
High Key	G7	High Key	B5	
Foot Switch Destination	64	Mod Wheel Destination	1	
Foot Switch Mode	Momentary	Mod Wheel Entry State	0	
Foot Switch Entry State	Off	Mod Wheel Exit State	0	
Foot Switch Exit State	Off	All Other Controller Destinations	Unassigned Number	
All Other Controller Destinations	Unassigned Number	All Other Controller Entry States	0	
All Other Controller Entry States	0	All Other Controller Exit States	0	
All Other Controller Exit States	0			

Zone	e 3	Zone 4

Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
Channel	3	Channel	4
MIDI Bank	3	MIDI Bank	0
MIDI Program	67	MIDI Program	23
Low Key	C3	Low Key	E1
High Key	E4	High Key	B2
Control Knob Function 1 Destination	7	Control Knob Function 1 Destination	7
Control Knob Function 1 Entry State	127	Control Knob Function 1 Entry State	127
Control Knob Function 1 Exit State	127	Control Knob Function 1 Exit State	127
All Other Controller Destinations	Unassigned Number	All Other Controller Destinations	Unassigned Number
All Other Controller Entry States	0	All Other Controller Entry States	0
All Other Controller Exit States	0	All Other Controller Exit States	0

5. Let's now set the MIDI receive channels on each of the Modules in our rig. Note that they will be same as the channels of their corresponding Zone:

Module	Channel
Module 1	1
Module 2	2
Module 3	3
Module 4	4

6. Finally, let's now save our newly-created Setup. Recall that the **Save** button is illuminated. To save our Setup, press the **Save** button once. The **Save** button LED will blink to indicate that a save operation is underway, and the User Bank LED will also be lit. The default save location will be the next available location in the Setup User Bank. If all

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64 User Bank slots are taken, then the Setup is saved in the last slot in the User Bank, overwriting what was previously in that slot. If the current Setup is a Setup already in the User Bank, then the Setup is saved in its current Setup slot. At this point, you can rename the new Setup using the secondary alphanumeric functions of the Group Select and Sound Select buttons.

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Pressing any other button while the **Save** button is blinking will cancel the save operation.

Your Setup is now complete!

# **Other Tutorials**

# **Connecting to an External Audio System**

See Connecting to an External Audio System on page 2-4.

### **Connecting MIDI**

See Connecting MIDI on page 2-7.

### **Managing Object Data**

See The "Save All?" Dialogue on page 9-7 and The "Load All?" Dialogue on page 9-8.

### **Updating Software**

See Update Software on page 10-2.

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# **Restoring Factory Defaults**

There are two ways to restore factory defaults, both of which result in all user-created Objects being deleted. The first method is described in *The "Hard Reset?" Dialogue on page 9-7*. The second is described in *System Reset on page 10-3*.



**CAUTION:** RESTORING FACTORY DEFAULTS CANNOT BE UNDONE. BACK UP YOUR FILES BEFORE DOING SO BY FOLLOWING THE PROCEDURE IN *The* "Save All?" Dialogue on page 9-7.

# **Chapter 12 Troubleshooting**

# **Maintenance**

Aside from normal care in handling and use, your SPS4 requires no regular maintenance. Clean with a soft cloth dampened with water. Never use abrasives or solvents as they may damage the unit's paint, markings, info strip and display lens. There are no batteries inside to replace—ever. Instead of volatile SRAM used in most other instruments, your SPS4 uses nonvolatile Flash Memory for storage, which retains information without power.

### **Common Problems**

Below is a list of the most commonly encountered problems and diagnoses for each.

### **Power Problems**

This is the normal power-up sequence:

- 1. The display backlight turns on.
- 2. "Loading..." appears on the display for a few seconds.
- 3. The unit enters Program mode with **Grand Piano 0** selected.

If nothing at all happens when you turn the power switch on, check if one of the following might be the issue:

The power adapter is not plugged securely into the wall outlet.

Plug the power adapter securely into the wall outlet.

The cord from power adapter is not plugged securely into the

Plug the power adapter securely into the SPS4 DC power jack.

SPS4 DC power jack.

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### Common Problems

The power adapter ratings does not match the required ratings for the SPS4. The power adapter specifications are: 19V DC, 3.4 amp, center pin positive, 5.5mm OD, 2.5mm ID coax type plug. Obtain a compatible power adapter.

The wall outlet, power strip, or extension cord is defective or damaged.

Use a different wall outlet, power strip, or extension cord.

If there's evidence of the unit receiving power, but operation is abnormal, check if one of the following might be the issue:

The power adapter ratings does not match the required ratings for the SPS4. The power adapter specifications are: 19V DC, 3.4 amp, center pin positive, 5.5mm OD, 2.5mm ID coax type plug. Obtain a compatible power adapter.

The wall outlet voltage is below 90 volts due to overload.

Try a different outlet on a different circuit.

The power adapter plug does not snugly fit into the DC power jack, causing it to wobble and provide intermittent power. Obtain a compatible power adapter.

Common Problems

# **Audio Problems**



CAUTION: DO NOT TROUBLE SHOOT AUDIO PROBLEMS USING
HEADPHONES. ADDITIONALLY, ALWAYS BE AWARE OF THE VOLUME
LEVELS ON THE SPS4 AND ON THE CONNECTED AUDIO SYSTEM OR MIXER.



**NOTE:** When diagnosing audio problems, set the SPS4 to play its demo sequence rather then intermittently pressing keys. This will prevent any unexpectedly loud volume changes.

If there is no sound from your SPS4, check if one of the following might be the issue:

The volume slider is turned down.	Slowly push the volume slider up.
Headphones or an audio cable is plugged into one of the Headphones jacks.	Unplug the headphones or cable from the Headphones jack.
The volume control on the audio system or mixer is turned down.	Slowly turn the volume control up.
The signal source selection on the audio system or mixer is incorrect.	Set the volume of the audio or mixer to the lowest level, select the correct signal source, and then slowly turn up the volume.
The audio cables are not securely plugged into the SPS4, audio system, or mixer.	Set the volume of the audio or mixer to the lowest level, securely plus in the audio cables on both ends, and

then slowly turn up the volume.

Obtain and securely connect an

audio cable of the correct type. The SPS4 accepts both balanced (TS) and unbalanced (TRS) 1/4-inch audio

If you can hear sound but it is low or distorted, check if one of the following might be the issue:

The audio cable is of an

incorrect type.

The audio cables are not Set the volume of the audio system securely plugged into the SPS4, or mixer to the lowest level, securely plus in the audio cables on both ends, and then slowly turn up the volume.

cables.

#### Common Problems

A received MIDI volume message has specified a low volume.

Set the volume of the audio system or mixer to the lowest level. Disconnect all MIDI cables, set the Destination parameter in Global Mode to Local or MIDI+Local, and reset the volume level on the SPS4. Finally, slowly turn up the volume level of the audio system or mixer.

The current Setup has another controller assigned to volume, and it is turned down.

Select a different Setup. Or change the problematic controller setting by editing the Setup in Edit Setup Mode.

The input to the audio system is set for low impedance instead of high impedance.

Set the volume of the audio or mixer to the lowest level, change the impedance setting, and then slowly turn up the volume of the audio system or mixer.

The input trim to the audio system or mixer is set too low. Slowly turn up the trim.

# **MIDI Problems**

If you are experiencing problems sending MIDI to an external module, check if one of the following might be the issue:

The MIDI cable is not securely plugged in at both ends.

Securely plug in the MIDI cable at

both ends.

The MIDI connections are wrong.

To send MIDI, plug the MIDI cable into the SPS4's MIDI Out port and into the module's MIDI In port.

The MIDI cable is defective.

Obtain and securely connect a new

MIDI cable.

The MIDI transmit channel does not match that of the

receiving device.

Change the channel on either the SPS4 or on the device such that the

channels match.

If there are problems with the internal sound module receiving MIDI from an external device like a computer sequencer, check if one of the following might be the issue:

The MIDI transmit channel of transmitting device does not match that of the receiving Program or Zone on the SPS4.

Change the channel on either the SPS4 or on the computer such that the channels match.

The MIDI cable is not securely plugged in at both ends.

Securely plug in the MIDI cable at both ends.

The MIDI connections are wrong.

To receive MIDI, plug the MIDI cable into the SPS4's MIDI In port and into the module's MIDI Out port.

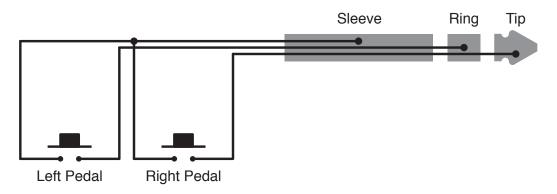
# **Pedal Problems**

Before you consult this section, be sure to read *Connecting Pedals on page 2-5*.

# **Switch Pedal Problems**

If you are having problems with connecting or using a switch pedal, check if one of the following might be the issue:

- Sustain or Sostenato is stuck "on". Be sure the pedal is plugged in before switching on the power. Turn power off then on if necessary.
- The pedal is acting backward ("on" when up instead of down). Power cycle the unit making sure to NOT press on the pedal during startup.
- A dual pedal is not working correctly. A dual switch pedal must be wired as shown below. Any other wiring pattern will not work correctly.



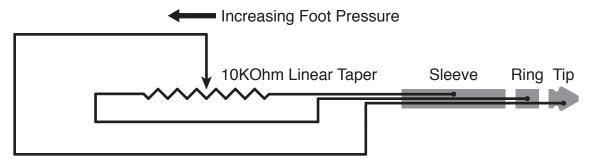
If None of the Above...

#### **Control Pedal Problems**

The control pedal must be wired to a single stereo 1/4-inch plug as follows:

- Wiper to Tip
- Top end of resistance element to Ring
- Bottom end of resistance element to Sleeve

These connections are shown schematically below:



#### Use the Right Impedance, Taper, and Range

For best results, use a Kurzweil CC-1 control pedal, available from your dealer. The CC-1 meets all of the requirements described above at an economical price. A control pedal should have an impedance between 5,000 and 100,000 ohms. An impedance less than 5,000 may overload the reference voltage source in the SPS4 and interfere with operation of other controls like the volume slider or control knob. An impedance more than 100,000 may result in electrically noisy operation, which may cause your SPS4 to send MIDI controller messages constantly.

The taper of the control should be linear for easy, predictable control. Pedals designed for volume control typically have an exponential (or anti log) taper, which results in most of their range being concentrated in the upper half of pedal's path of travel.

Pedals may have a control range that is less than 100%. Make sure that when the pedal is in the fully down position, it's impedance is 0, and when it is in the fully up position, the impedance is at its maximum rating.

# If None of the Above...

If your problem is not covered above, or none of the suggestions seems to work, first check back and review the relevant sections of this manual. Many difficulties are just programming problems caused by settings of Setup parameters. If you want to be sure that all of the factory defaults are in place, see *Restoring Factory Defaults on page 12-7*.

Also be sure to check out Kurzweil's website for additional SPS4 information that may have been published since this manual was written: <a href="https://www.Kurzweil.com">www.Kurzweil.com</a>

If None of the Above...

### **Service Centers**

Contact the nearest Young Chang office Kurzweil service representative. See *page iv* in the front matter of this manual for contact info.

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# **Diagnostics**

You will most likely not need to use the System Mode diagnostic operations in normal cases. These operations are mostly used at the factory and service centers by engineers for troubleshooting problems with hardware. But, in some cases you might be required to run these diagnostics for troubleshooting and diagnosing symptoms. In these cases, follow the direction of an authorized Kurzweil technician.

Troubleshooting	
If None of the Above	

# **Appendix A MIDI Implementation**

Function		Transmitted	Recognized	Remarks
Dania Channal	Default	1	1	Memorized
Basic Channel –	Changed	1–16	1–16	
	Default	Mode 3	Mode 3	Use Multi-track mode (see FX Select (FXSel) on page 9-4) for multi-timbral applications
Mode	Messages			
_	Altered			
Note Number —			0–127	
Note Number	True Voice	0–127	0–127	
Volgaity	Note ON	0	0	
Velocity —	Note OFF	0	0	
After Touch —	Keys	X	X	
Alter louch —	Channels	X	0	
Pitch Bender		0	0	
Control Change		0–31 32–63 (LSB) 64–127	0–31 32–63 (LSB) 64–127	Controller assignments are programmable
Dua sua sa Chanasa		1–999	1–999	Chandard and avetors formate
Program Change —	True #	0–127	0–127	Standard and custom formats
System Exclusive		0	0	
	Song Pos.	X	X	
System Common	Song Sel.	X	X	
	Tune	X	X	
System Bool Time -	Clock	X	X	
System Real Time —	Messages	Х	Х	
_	Local Control	0	0	
Aux Mossages —	All Notes Off	0	0	
Aux Messages -	Active Sense	X	X	
	Reset	X	X	
Notes		Manufacturer's Device ID: defa programmable	ult = 0;	
Mode 1: Omni On, Poly Mode 3: Omni Off, Poly		Mode 2: Omni ( Mode 4: Omni (		O = Yes X = No

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# Appendix B Physical Specifications

**Keyboard:** 88-note, graded hammer-weighted action with velocity sensitive adjustable

keys

**Display:** 16 character LCD w/ front-panel contrast adjust **Polyphony:** 64 Voice Polyphony, dynamically allocated

Multitimbral: 16 parts (one per MIDI channel)

Quick Split/Layer: Easy access with adjustable relative volume

Factory Presets: 128 Programs, taken from the acclaimed PC3 sound set

Factory MIDI Setups: 128 factory setups, plus 128 user setup locations with 4 programmable zones

for splits and layers

**Effects:** Dozens of complex effect chains taken from the PC3

Controllers:

Pitch touchpad
Modulation slider

1 front panel knob

• 1 stereo switch-pedal input (supports two pedals with Y connector)

1 continuous control pedal input

Analog Outputs: • Two 1/4" balanced TRS analog (24-bit DACs)

+21DBu maximum output
400Ω balanced source impedance

24-bit D-to-A converters

Analog Inputs • Two 1/4" balanced TRS inputs

Input impedance 10K unbalanced; 20K balanced

1.6Vrms for 19Wrms output per channel

Amplifier Speakers Stereo 19W/channel @ <1% THD+N; 48W maximum total power

Two 4 x 6" woofers (in ported enclosure)
Two 1" neodynium magnet dome tweeters

**Headphones:** Two front panel 1/4" headphone output

8 Vrms maximum output,  $47\Omega$  source impedance

MIDI: In, Out

USB: Complete MIDI functionality over USB

User program/setup file transfer to/from PC/Mac

Operating System updates from PC/Mac

 Height:
 3.4" (8.6 cm)

 Depth:
 11.4" (28.9 cm)

 Length:
 43.6" (110.8 cm)

 Weight:
 24 lb. (11 kg)

Power: External 19VDC 3.4A power supply

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