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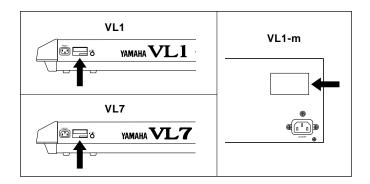
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Serial No.	
Purchase Date	

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 - c. The product has been exposed to rain; or
 - d. The product does not operate, exhibits a marked change in performance; or
 - e. The product has been dropped, or the enclosure of the product has been damaged.
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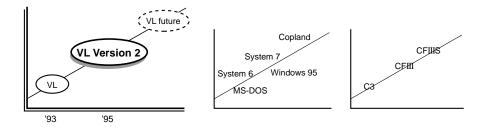
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Welcome to Version 2

Whether you have purchased a VL1 Version 2, VL1-m Version 2, or VL7 Version 2 or upgraded from an original version, you are now in possession of what is currently the most advanced computer-based "physical modelling" musical synthesis system in the world.

VL Version 2 is a software upgrade which significantly enhances the sound and playability of the original VL system in the same sense that operating system upgrades for personal computers can provide major improvements in operating ease and functionality. To employ a more musical example, upgrading from the original VL version to Version 2 takes you from the sound and response of a baby grand piano to that of a full concert grand.



Specifically, Version 2 applies to two main areas: 1) the physical modelling algorithm has been improved for greater simulation precision and resolution; and 2) improved effects. Please note that the changes have not been made merely in the interest of greater programming "elegance" or to fix bugs in the original system. Version 2 is a very meaningful upgrade, offering advanced sound and playability that can make a major difference in the quality of the music you create.

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About This Manual

This manual supplements the original VL manuals with information about the improvements and changes in Version 2. The information provided in the original VL manuals is essential for a full understanding of Version 2, and those manuals — particularly the Getting Started manual — should be read before attempting any serious work with Version 2.

This manual is made up of 5 chapters, as follows:

1. Initial Setup [Page 5]

Setting up the instrument without external controllers and loading the Version 2 voices.

2. Test Driving Version 2 [Page 10]

Simple procedures to help you become familiar with some of the capabilities and features of Version 2.

- **3. Load-converting Original VL Voices** [Page 19] Loading and automatically converting original VL voices for use with Version 2.
- 4. New Features & Parameters [Page 22]

This section lists the new features and parameters provided by Version 2.

5. Experiments [Page 58]

Some experiments to help you become familiar with the way controllers and other features function in the VL instruments.

Model Name Abbreviations

Although the official names of the models described in this manual are <u>VL1 Version 2</u>, <u>VL7 Version 2</u>, and <u>VL1-m Version 2</u>, "Version 2" will be abbreviated to "Ver.2" in the text for easier, more efficient reading. The term "Version 2" or simply "the instrument" will be used when referring to all three models.

1: Initial Setup

The best way to appreciate the outstanding sound and playability of Version 2 is to set up and try out some of the voices. Although controllers such as a foot controller, breath controller, and footswitch are essential for maximum musical expression with Version 2, you can initially set up without them and still appreciate the extraordinary sound and playability it offers. This section will guide you through the basic setup and voice loading procedures.

NOTES ■ If you've upgraded from an original VL model and are already familiar with setup and voice selection procedures, you can skip ahead to "Test Driving Version 2", on page 10.



Power Supply

Before making any other connections the "female" end of the AC power cord supplied with the instrument should be firmly plugged into the rear-panel AC cord socket. Ideally the power cord should then be plugged into a convenient AC outlet after you've made all other necessary connections and placed the instrument in the position in which it will be used. Always make sure that the POWER switch is in the OFF (extended) position before plugging the power cord in an AC outlet.

CAUTION! Make sure your VL model is rated for the AC voltage supplied in the area in which it is to be used (as listed on the rear panel). Connecting the instrument to the wrong AC supply can cause serious damage to the internal circuitry and may even pose a shock hazard!



Audio Connections

Headphones

Headphones are ideal for a fast, easy checkout. Any standard pair of stereo headphones with a 1/4" stereo phone plug and an impedance of between about 8 and 150 ohms can be used.

Stereo Sound System

The original VL and Version 2 voices are designed to sound their best in stereo. A stereo sound system is recommended to deliver the full impact of the voices and expressive features. The OUTPUT L and R jacks can be connected directly to musical instrument amplifiers designed for keyboard use, or to the line inputs of a mixing console.

NOTES \blacksquare If you need to drive a mono amp or other device, the output can be switched to mono (the same signal appears at the L and R outputs) by using the Output parameter described in the Feature Reference manual:

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■ Make sure that both the instrument and your sound system are turned OFF when making connections.



Power-on Procedure

Always follow proper procedure when powering-up a sound system to minimize the possibility of damage to the equipment (and your ears!).

- **1.** Make sure your sound system's main level/volume control(s) and the instrument's volume control are turned all the way down prior to turning power on.
- **2.** Turn on the instrument. If you are using a VL1-m Ver.2, turn on your MIDI keyboard or other controller after turning on the VL1-m Ver.2.
- **3.** Turn on the sound system.
- **4.** Raise the sound system volume to a reasonable level.
- **5.** Gradually raise the instrument's VOLUME control while playing the keyboard to set the desired listening level.

NOTES • VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2: these models automatically transmit MIDI control change data corresponding to their control status when their power switches are turned ON. This can interfere with operation of other MIDI equipment connected to the MIDI OUT connector. If the instrument is connected to other MIDI equipment, its power switch should be turned ON or OFF <u>last</u>.

■ VL1-m Ver.2: Most keyboards and other MIDI controllers automatically transmit MIDI control change data data corresponding to their control status when the power switch is turned ON or OFF. The VL1-m Ver.2 is programmed to receive this data and respond accordingly, so it is preferable to turn the VL1-m ON before turning the controlling device ON.



VL1-m Ver.2 MIDI Connections

The VL1-m Ver.2 can be used with just about any type of MIDI controller: keyboard, wind controller, sequencer, computer-based MIDI software, etc. Use a MIDI cable to connect the MIDI OUT terminal of the controller to the MIDI IN terminal of the VL1-m. To ensure reliable error-free transfer of MIDI data always use high-quality MIDI cables obtained from your Yamaha dealer or music equipment store. Also avoid MIDI cables that are longer than about 15 meters, since cables longer than this can pick up noise which can cause data errors.

The VL1-m Ver.2 MIDI transmit channel, receive channel, local on/off, and device number parameters are available in the utility mode "MIDI Setting" page described on page 154 of the VL1-m Feature Reference manual. Make sure these parameters are set to match the corresponding settings of the MIDI controller used with the VL1-m Ver.2.

The VL1-m Ver.2 receives the following MIDI data:

Note	The played note(s) and velocity value.
Control Change	Modulation wheel, breath controller, foot controller, main volume, and other controller data.
Aftertouch	Keyboard aftertouch pressure.
Pitch Bend	Pitch bend wheel position.
Program Change	Voice numbers from 1 to 128.
Bulk	Voice and system data transmitted in the form of "bulk dumps."

NOTES For detailed MIDI specifications refer to the "MIDI Data Format" section in the "Voice Lists & MIDI Data for Version 2" document.

■ When using the VL1-m Ver.2 with other MIDI equipment, it is a good idea to refer to the MIDI specifications (implementation chart, MIDI data format) of the equipment used to ensure compatibility.



Load the Pre-programmed Voice Data

Although the factory pre-programmed voices are stored in the instrument's internal memory when it is initially shipped, there is always a possibility that all or part of the memory has been erased or modified by the time the instrument gets to you. It's a good idea to re-load all the pre-programmed data from the supplied "FACTORY SET" voice disk, as follows.

NOTES • Loading the pre-programmed voices overwrites any other data that is in the internal memory, so if you have any important voices in memory make sure they are safely saved to disk before loading the data, as described in the Feature Reference manual:

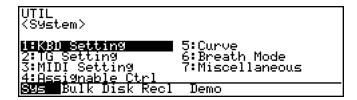
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1. Insert the Voice Disk

Insert the Version 2 voice disk into the disk drive. The sliding disk shutter should go in first, and the label side of the disk should face upward.

2. Select the Utility Mode System Page

Press the UTILITY button to select the utility mode. Then, if it is not already selected when the utility mode display appears, press the F1 button to select the "System" function page.



NOTES If the Memory Protect function has been turned on (the default setting is "off"), it must be turned off before loading the data.

Use the cursor buttons to move the cursor to "Miscellaneous", then press <code>ENTER</code> to call the "Miscellaneous" function page. Use the cursor buttons to select the "Memory Protect" parameter, then press <code>DEC</code> to turn memory protect "off".

3. Select the Disk Function Directory

Press the $\[\]$ function button ("Disk") to select the utility mode disk function directory.



4. Select "Load From Disk"

Use the cursor buttons to move the cursor to "Load From Disk" and then press $\overline{\text{ENTER}}$.



5. Select "All" and Select the "VL1_VER2.ALL" or "VL7_VER2.ALL" File Make sure the cursor is positioned at "All" and press ENTER.



When the list of files appears use the cursor ▲ and ▼ buttons to select the "VL1_VER2.ALL" file if you have a VL1 Ver.2 or VL1-m Ver.2, or the "VL7_VER2.ALL" file if you have a VL7 Ver.2, then press ENTER again.



6. Load the File

Loading will begin when you press the <code>INC</code> button in response to the "Are You Sure?" prompt. A bar graph on the display will indicate the progress of the load operation, and when all the data has been loaded "Completed!" will appear.

7. Return to the Play Mode, Eject the Disk, & Select a Voice

When the "Completed!" display appears, press the PLAY button to return to the play mode, then press the eject button below the disk drive slot to eject the disk. Store the disk in a safe place. You must now select a voice in order for the loaded data to be properly activated — see the following section.

About the Version 2 Data Disk

The Version 2 floppy disk contains the following files:

NOTES ■ These voice files cannot be used with the original VL models.

● VL1 VER2.ALL

This file contains the voices initially loaded into the VL1 Version 2 when it is first shipped from the factory. The UTILITY/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE parameter is set to "Touch EG", so until this is changed to "BC/WX" the breath controller or a WX wind controller cannot be used.

Many of these voices can also be used on the VL7 Version 2.

VL1V2_WX.ALL

The 32 voices included in this file have been programmed specifically for optimum playability on the VL1 Ver.2 or VL1-m Ver.2 using a Yamaha WX-series wind controller (WX7/WX11).

This selection also includes many voices which can be effectively played via a keyboard with breath control. Many voices are suitable for the rock and pop genres, so don't overlook them for keyboard control.

VL7 VER2.ALL

This file contains the voices initially loaded into the VL7 Version 2 when it is first shipped from the factory. The UTILITY/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE parameter is set to "Touch EG", so until this is changed to "BC/WX" the breath controller or a WX wind controller cannot be used.

VL7V2_WX.ALL

The 32 voices included in this file have been programmed specifically for optimum playability on the VL7 Ver.2 using a Yamaha WX-series wind controller (WX7/WX11).

This selection also includes many voices which can be effectively played via a keyboard with breath control. Many voices are suitable for the rock and pop genres, so don't overlook them for keyboard control.

ADDITION.ALL

This file includes some excellent voices that are not in the VL1_VER2.ALL or VL7_VER2.ALL files. Most are single-element voices, so the VL1 voices can be used effectively on the VL7.

2: Test Driving Version 2



Set the Breath Mode to "Touch EG"

Once the Version 2 voices are loaded you're almost ready to try them out — "almost" because there's one more step necessary to play the voices without a breath controller:

NOTES ■ The procedure below sets the breath mode to "Touch EG" so "breath" control can be applied via keyboard touch response. This setting is automatically selected when the VL1-VER2.ALL or VL7_VER2.ALL file is loaded, so you may not need to bother with these steps if you've just loaded one of these files. It is a good idea to check, anyway.

1. Select the Utility Mode System Page

Press the UTILITY button to select the utility mode. Then, if it is not already selected when the utility mode display appears, press the F1 button to select the "System" function page.

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UTIL
<System>

i:830 Setting 5:Curve
2:TG Setting 6:Breath Mode
3:MIDI Setting 7:Miscellaneous
4:Assignable Ctrl
System Bulk Disk Recl Demo
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2. Set the Breath Mode to "Touch EG"

Use the cursor keys to move the cursor to "Breath Mode", and press ENTER to call the "Breath Mode" function page. Make sure the cursor is located at the "Mode" parameter and use the DEC and INC buttons to select "Touch EG".

It might be a good idea to increase the value of the "VelGain" parameter a bit for easier response. The default values can be instantly recalled by pressing the F8 (Init) function button.

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UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE

Mode = Mouch EM AT Hi Ofst = 64

Vel Ofst = 20 Gain = -1

Gain = 0 Lo Ofst = 30

TEG Time = 85.9msec Gain = -2

SMS Bulk Disk Recl Demo Init
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3. Return to the Play Mode

Press the PLAY button to return to the PLAY mode.



Try Some Version 2 Voices

Voice selection is described in detail in the Getting Started manual. In case you're not already familiar with the procedures, here's a summary to get you started.

1. Select the Play Mode

Press the PLAY button so that its indicator lights and the word "PLAY" appears in the upper left corner of the LCD panel.

2. Select a Voice

On the VL1 Ver.2 or VL7 Ver.2 any voice can be selected by specifying its bank using the bank keys (A, B, C, etc.), and its number using the voice number keys (1 through 16).

To select voice "D7", for example, first press the bank \boxed{D} key and then the voice number $\boxed{7}$ key. The bank \boxed{D} key indicator will flash until the voice number $\boxed{7}$ key is pressed and the D7 voice is actually engaged.

To select a different voice within the same bank it is only necessary to press the appropriate voice number key. To select a different bank, however, you'll always have to press both a bank key and a voice number key (or the ENTER key). This prevents unwanted voices from being selected until you've actually specified both the bank and number of the voice you want to use.

The DEC and INC buttons can also be used to select voices: press the DEC or INC button briefly to decrement or increment the voice number by one, or hold either button for continuous decrementing or incrementing in the corresponding direction. The bank will switch automatically if you cross a bank voice-number boundary.

The data dial provides a convenient way to rapidly cover a large range of voices: rotate the data dial clockwise for higher voice numbers or counter-clockwise for lower voice numbers while watching the display. The banks are automatically switched when necessary as the voice numbers are changed.

3. Set the Modulation Wheels To Their Home Positions

Roll MODULATION WHEEL 1 all the way towards you, and set MODULATION WHEEL 2 to its center position.

● A02 Jazz Sax

Although this voice is exactly the same as the Alto Sax voice provided with the original VL models — i.e. it has not been programmed to take advantage of the advanced simulation capabilities of Version 2 — the improved playability of Version 2 makes it play like a totally new voice. Use keyboard velocity, aftertouch, the pitch bend wheel, and modulation wheel 1 to play a sax phrase, and you'll see what we mean. An important contributing factor to this improved playability is the ability to assign Touch EG to pressure control.

D02 BaritonSax

This voice provides a good example of the extraordinary simulation precision provided by Version 2. As with the previous voice, play a sax phrase using keyboard velocity, aftertouch, the pitch bend wheel, and modulation wheel 1. You should be able to replicate the sound of a top-level sax player with refined embouchure and technique. Later, you might want to convert-load the original A02 Tenor Sax voice (convert-loading

is described in the next section of this manual), and compare it with the D02 BaritonSax voice. The difference should be obvious.

A04 Jazz Trumpt

Use this voice to play a trumpet phrase. Like the previous voice, you should fairly easily be able to produce the sound of a trumpet played by a highly accomplished artist. Version 2 allows a much more accurate simulation of the trumpet tubing, resulting in a highly responsive, realistic trumpet voice. This voice is ideal for jazzy phrases.

Also try the following: press the F3 (Cnt3) button to call the corresponding controller assignment display, and note that the dynamic filter ("D.Filter") is off. While most PCM synthesizers — and even the original VL — employ a dynamic filter to simulate timbral variations across the voice's dynamic range, the Version 2 simulation is so realistic that the dynamic filter is not needed. Note how the trumpet tone varies from soft to hard in response to keyboard velocity.

● B11 C Flute

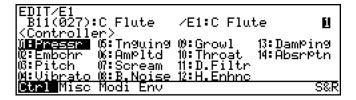
Let's use this voice to try a simple experiment which illustrates one of the new features of the Version 2 physical modelling section:

1. Press the EDIT button to select the edit mode. If the entry-level edit display shown below does not appear when the EDIT button is pressed, press the EXIT button a few times until it does.

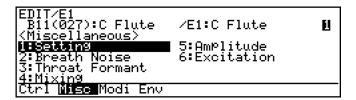
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EDIT
B11(027)
Voice Name = Callute
Key Mode = Mono
Voice Mode = Single
E1 Name = C Flute

Com E1 Name
```

2. Press the F2 (E1) button.



3. Press the F2 (Misc) button.



4. Move the cursor to "Breath Noise" and press the ENTER button.

```
EDIT/E1/MISC/BREATH NOISE

B11(027):C Flute /E1:C Flute M
Slit Drive = MMS Noise = Dark Woody
Ctrl Balance = 63 Ctrl = 1 Slit
HPF Cutoff Fr9 = 1.75 kHz
LPF Cutoff Fr9 = 7.58 kHz
Key On Reset = off Level = 117
Ctrl
```

5. Move the cursor to the "Noise" parameter (currently set to "Dark Woody"), and use the DEC and INC buttons to select different noise types while playing the voice (there are 23 different noise types to choose from).

```
EDIT/E1/MISC/BREATH NOISE
BB11(027):C Flute /E1:C Flute | | |
Slit Drive = 23 Noise = | | | | | |
Ctrl Balance = 63 Ctrl | | | | | |
HPF Cutoff Fr9 = 1.75 kHz||
LPF Cutoff Fr9 = 7.58 kHz||
Key On Reset = off | Level = 117||
Ctrl
```

6. Press the PLAY button to return to the play mode when done.

The noise parameter you just edited changes the noise components at the flute mouthpiece. The ability to choose from a range of noise types provides considerable voice-shaping flexibility.

● B05 FingrBass

Here's a simple experiment which demonstrates the improved flexibility of the Version 2 effects using the B05 FingrBass voice:

1. Press the EDIT button to select the edit mode. If the entry-level edit display shown below does not appear when the EDIT button is pressed, press the EXIT button a few times until it does.

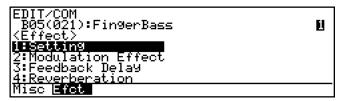
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EDIT
B05(021)
Voice Name = Fin8an3ass
Key Mode = Poly
Voice Mode = Sin9le
E1 Name = Fin9erBass

Com E1 Name
```

2. Press the F1 (Com) button.

```
EDIT/COM
B05(021):FingerBass
(Miscellaneous)
(
```

3. Press the F2 (Efct) button.



4. Move the cursor to "Modulation Effect" and press the ENTER button.

Move the cursor to the "Modulation Effect Type" parameter (currently set to "Flanger"). Play the voice to hear the sound of the bass voice with a subtle touch of flanger, then press the INC button a few times to select the Dist+Flanger effect type. Play the voice again to hear the difference.

```
EDIT/COM/EFFECT/MODULATION EFFECT

BB05(021):FingerBass

Modulation Effect Type = Wist+Planger

Element on/off E1: on

Overdrive = 40%

Speaker = Combo

Output Level = 60%
```

6. Press the PLAY button to return to the play mode when done.

Unlike the original VL models, Version 2 allows modulation effects to be applied in series for an impressive variety of new sounds.

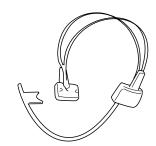


Controller Connection & Calibration

If you followed the procedures in the previous section you are already at least partly familiar with the extraordinary expressive capabilities of the VL1 Ver.2, VL7 Ver.2, or VL1-m Ver.2 — without using external controllers. The next step is to connect a foot controller and breath controller and experiment with the unprecedented expressive power at your disposal when Version 2 is used with external controllers. The BC2 Breath Controller is perhaps the most natural way to apply expressive control to the VL voices, but a foot controller can be used instead if you're more comfortable with foot control. Of course, the breath and foot controllers can also be used to simultaneously control different parameters.

Breath Controller

The Breath Controller provides realistic expression with wind-instrument voices (volume and timbre as well as tonguing attack variations) and unprecedented control with string voices (bowed and plucked). Plug the BC2 Breath Controller supplied with the VL1 Ver.2 or VL7 Ver.2 (or an optional BC1 breath controller) into the front-panel breath controller jack.



If you will be using the VL1-m Ver.2 with a wind controller a breath controller is not necessary.

If you will be using the VL1-m with a keyboard, however, you should purchase an optional BC2 or BC1 Breath Controller and plug it into the front-panel breath controller jack.

Before you actually begin using the breath controller, it should be calibrated as described in the following section.

NOTES For more information on Breath Controller setup and operation, see the instructions packed with the supplied BC2 Breath Controller.

Breath Controller Calibration

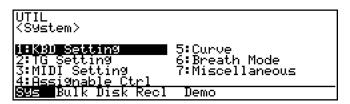
Proper operation of the breath controller is vital to achieving the best possible sound and response. Although the controller is factory-calibrated to match most requirements, we recommend that you carefully calibrate the breath controller for optimum performance with your own playing style.

1. Make Sure the Breath Controller Is Connected

Make sure the breath controller is properly connected: turn the power OFF, plug in the breath controller, then turn the power ON.

2. Select the Utility Mode System Page

Press the UTILITY button to select the utility mode. Then, if it is not already selected when the utility mode display appears, press the F1 button to select the "System" function page.



NOTES On the VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2 you can move the cursor to "Assignable Ctrl" and press <u>ENTER</u> to see the current control assignments for the various controllers. Press <u>EXIT</u> when you're ready to go back to the previous page.

 \blacksquare On the VL1-m press the $\boxed{\it F7}$ (Moni) button to monitor the MIDI data received from the controllers. Press $\boxed{\it EXIT}$ to return.

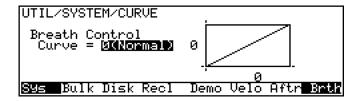
3. Set the Breath Mode to "BC/WX"

Use the cursor keys to move the cursor to "Breath Mode", and press ENTER to call the "Breath Mode" function page. If the "Mode" parameter is not set to "BC/WX", make sure the cursor is located at the "Mode" parameter and use the DEC and INC buttons to select "BC/WX". Press EXIT to return to the previous page.



4. Go To the Curve Page and Select "Brth"

Use the cursor keys to move the cursor to "Curve", then press <code>ENTER</code> to call the "Curve" function page. On the VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2 press the <code>F8</code> function button ("Brth") to call the breath controller curve page when the curve display appears. On the VL1-m Ver.2 it is only necessary to select "BC Curve".



5. Adjust the Breath Controller Offset

The following adjustment must be performed while not blowing into the breath controller mouthpiece. Do not hold the breath controller in your mouth.

Rotate the breath controller OFFSET trimmer slowly clockwise, using the supplied screwdriver, until the vertical cursors above and below the curve graph move slightly to the right and the number below the graph is greater that "0". Then slowly rotate the trimmer carefully counter-clockwise until the number below the graph just reaches "0" (the cursors will be lined up with the left end of the graph), then stop.

6. Adjust the Breath Controller Gain

Place the breath controller mouthpiece in your mouth and blow — notice that the cursors move to right and the number below the graph increases according to how hard you blow. Adjust the breath controller GAIN trimmer so that you can comfortably vary your breath pressure between 0 and 127 on the graph. This completes the gain adjustment.

7. Readjust the Offset If Necessary

If adjusting the gain causes the offset setting to shift, readjust the offset as described in step 5.

At this point you can use the "Curve Type" parameter to select the curve type that best suits your playing style.

8. Return to the Play Mode

Press the PLAY button to return to the PLAY mode.

Foot Controllers

Although the VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2 have jacks for two foot controllers, it is not necessary to use both. To begin with plug the supplied FC7 Foot Controller into the rear-panel FOOT CONTROLLER 2 jack.

The VL1-m Ver.2 will response to MIDI foot controller control change data received from the controlling device.



NOTES \blacksquare For more information on Foot Controller setup and operation, see the instructions packed with the supplied FC7 Foot Controller.



Experiment With the Controllers

Once your breath controller has been connected and calibrated, you're ready to get a feel for the type of expressive control it provides. Try selecting different voices and playing them using the keyboard, breath controller, pitch wheel, and modulation wheel 1.

To try out the foot controller as an alternative to the breath controller for breath control, unplug the breath controller and try playing different voices using the foot controller (the foot controller must be plugged into the FOOT CONTROLLER 2 jack).

Up to this point we've described a few simple experiments that should help you to become familiar with the VL Version 2 system. More detailed controller experiments are described in section 5 — "Experiments With the Controllers". We recommend that you try those experiments for a more in-depth appreciation of the instrument's unmatched musical and expressive potential.

3: Load-converting the Original VL Voices

Version 2 is compatible with all original VL voices, so if you are upgrading from an original VL model you will still be able to use the voices you are, no doubt, by now familiar with.

To be used on a Version 2 system the original voices must be converted, but this is done automatically when they are loaded: the "Now Converting and Loading!" message will appear on the display. The converted voices can then be saved to a separate disk for later re-loading and use. Don't save the converted voices back to the original voice disk, since that would overwrite the original voices which can still be used on an original VL instrument.

The new and modified parameters described in section 4 of this manual are initially set automatically. Also, the following system parameter settings are added to the original voices files:



To VL1 Version 2

● VL1 Voice to VL1 Ver.2

When an "******.ALL" file is loaded all original system data is left unchanged. The following new system parameters are added:

UTIL/SYSTEM/TG SETTING/WX Lip	Normal
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/BC	002 Breath Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/FC1	004 Foot Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE/Mode	BC/WX

● VL1-m Voice to VL1 Ver.2

When an "******. ALL" file is loaded all original system data is left unchanged. The following new system parameters are added:

UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/BC	. 002 Breath Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/FC1	. 004 Foot Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE/Mode	. BC/WX
Parameters not existing in Version 2 are ignored (e.g. UTIL/SYSTEM/PROGRAM CHANGE TABLE)	

VL7 Voice to VL1 Ver.2

All VL7 voices are 1-element voices. When an "*******. ALL" file is loaded all original system data is left unchanged. The following new system parameters are added:

UTIL/SYSTEM/TG SETTING/WX Lip	Normal
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/BC	002 Breath Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/FC1	004 Foot Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE/Mode	BC/WX



To VL1-m Version 2

● VL1 Voice to VL1-m Ver.2

When an "******.ALL" file is loaded all original system data is left unchanged. The following new system parameters are added:

UTIL/SYSTEM/TG SETTING/WX Lip	Normal
UTIL/SYSTEM/PGM CHANGE TABLE	initialized
UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE/Mode	BC/WX

● VL1-m Voice to VL1-m Ver.2

When an "******.ALL" file is loaded all original system data is left unchanged. The following new system parameters are added:

UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE/Mode BC/WX	
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● VL7 Voice to VL1-m Ver.2

All VL7 voices are 1-element voices. When an "*******. ALL" file is loaded all original system data is left unchanged. The following new system parameters are added:

UTIL/SYSTEM/TG SETTING/WX Lip	Normal
UTIL/SYSTEM/PGM CHANGE TABLE	initialized
UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE/Mode	BC/WX



To VL7 Version 2

● VL1 Voice to VL7 Ver.2

Element 2 data is ignored. Voices 65 through 128 are ignored. When an "******* .ALL" file is loaded all original system data is left unchanged. The following new system parameters are added:

UTIL/SYSTEM/TG SETTING/WX Lip	Normal
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/BC	002 Breath Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/FC1	004 Foot Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE/Mode = BC/WX	

● VL1-m Voice to VL7 Ver.2

Element 2 data is ignored. Voices 65 through 128 are ignored. When an "*******.ALL" file is loaded all original system data is left unchanged. The following new system parameters are added:

UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/BC	002 Breath Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/FC1	004 Foot Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE/Mode	BC/WX
Parameters not existing in Version 2 are ignored (e.g. TABLE)	. UTIL/SYSTEM/PROGRAM CHANGE

● VL7 Voice to VL7 Ver.2

When an "******.ALL" file is loaded all original system data is left unchanged. The following new system parameters are added:

UTIL/SYSTEM/TG SETTING/WX Lip	Normal
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/BC	002 Breath Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER/FC1	004 Foot Cont.
UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE/Mode	BC/WX



To Original VL

Version 2 Voice to Original VL

Version 2 voices cannot be used on the original VL instruments. An "Illegal file!" error message will appear on the display and the files cannot be loaded or converted.

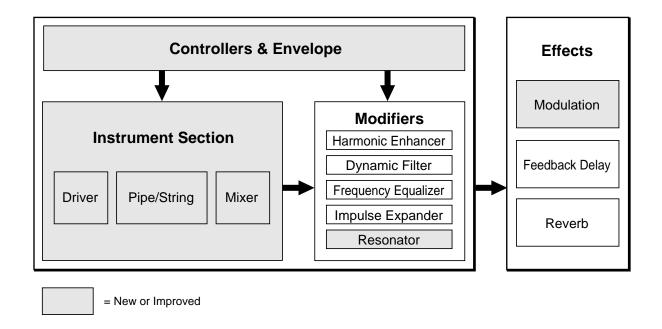
● Hardware System Exclusive Data Transfer

System Exclusive data can be hardware-transferred between two original VL models, or between two Version 2 VL models, but not between an original and Version 2 model.

4. New Features & Parameters

This section describes the actual improvements and new features provided in Version 2. In many cases the changes involve modifications of procedures or parameters found in the original VL models. In such cases the appropriate page numbes in the corresponding Feature Reference manuals will be listed — please refer to the original Feature Reference manuals for complete details. New features are described in full.

The block diagram below represents the overall Version 2 system. Shaded blocks are either totally new or feature significant improvements.



NOTES ■ Please note that although most of the information provided in this manual applies equally to the VL1 Ver.2, VL1-m Ver.2, and VL7 Ver.2, any references to multiple elements — e.g. separate parameters for the E1 and E2 elements — do not apply to the VL7 Ver.2 since it employs a single element.



Changes and additions to the functions listed below are described on the corresponding pages.

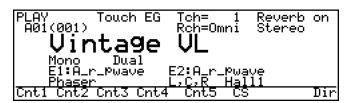
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PLAY Mode Display

In Version 2 several status indicators have been added to the PLAY mode display.



- The current setting of the UTILITY/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE "Mode" parameter is shown on the top line of the PLAY mode display: "BC/WX", "Velocity", or "Touch EG" (page 53).
- The current MIDI transmit and receive channels appear on lines 1 and 2 of the PLAY mode display, respectively.
- When the EDIT/Key Mode parameter is set to "Part" (page 25), and the EDIT/COM/MISC/PART SETTING "Split" parameter is "off" (page 28), the element 1 and 2 MIDI receive channels appear on line 4 of the PLAY mode display.
- When the EDIT/Key Mode parameter is set to "Part" (page 25), and the EDIT/COM/MISC/PART SETTING "Split" parameter is set to "Static" or "Dynamic" (page 28), the element 1 and 2 split point appears on line 4 of the PLAY mode display.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 14; VL1-m ⇒ 14; VL7 ⇒ 14

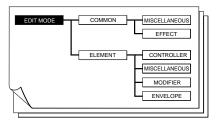
Continuous Sliders

In the original VL models MIDI output corresponding to the CS1 and CS2 continuous slider settings was transmitted as system exclusive data. In Version 2 the continuous sliders produce MIDI output in the form of control change data: control change number 16 for CS1, and control change number 17 for CS2.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 19; VL1-m ⇒ 19; VL7 ⇒ 19



Initial Edit Page





Edit Mode Displays

In all Version 2 edit mode displays, parameters which are not available for editing do not appear. In the original models such parameters appeared on the display but could not be edited.

● Voice Name & Element Name

The voice and element name entry method has been improved for easier operation. The $\boxed{F6}$ ($\boxed{\blacktriangleleft}$) and $\boxed{F7}$ ($\boxed{\blacktriangleright}$) function buttons are used to move the cursor to the desired position in the name rather than the cursor buttons. In Version 2 the cursor $\boxed{\blacktriangleleft}$ and $\boxed{\blacktriangleright}$ buttons perform the same function as the \boxed{DEC} and \boxed{INC} buttons: i.e. selecting the character for the current character position. The cursor $\boxed{\blacktriangle}$ and $\boxed{\blacktriangledown}$ buttons can also be used for this purpose.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 31; VL1-m ⇒ 31; VL7 ⇒ 31

● Key Mode

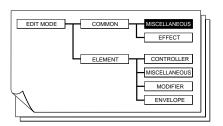
Mono, Poly, Unison, Part

In addition to the original "Mono", "Poly", and "Unison" settings, the "Key Mode" parameter now has a "Part" setting. When "Part" is selected a range of split keyboard parameters are available via the EDIT/COM/MISC/PART SETTING page (page 28).

When the "Key Mode" parameter is set to "Poly" and the "Voice Mode" parameter is set to "Single" or "Dual", the EDIT/COM/MISC/SETTING page "Assign Mode" parameter can now be set to "Last Note" (page 26).

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 31; VL1-m ⇒ 31

Common Miscellaneous





EDIT/COM/MISC/SETTING

Assign Mode

Bottom Note, Top Note, Last Note

When the "Key Mode" parameter is set to "Poly" and the "Voice Mode" parameter is set to "Single" or "Dual", the EDIT/MISC/SETTING page "Assign Mode" parameter can now be set to "Last Note" producing last-note key priority for these modes. The "Assign Mode" parameter will not appear when the "Unison" key mode is selected.

In order to use the "Poly Expand" parameter described below, the "Key Mode" parameter must be set to "Poly" and the "Assign Mode" parameter to "Last Note".

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 35; VL1-m ⇒ 35

Poly Expand

 \emptyset off, 2...32 > 1 ... 32

This new parameter allows 2 or more VL units to be MIDI-chained for increased polyphony. The number to the left of the ">" symbol should be set to the total polyphony to be provided by the system (off, 2 ... 32). The number to the right of the ">" symbol sets the number of the note to be sounded by the controlling VL (1 ... 32). If this parameter is set to "3", for example, the 3rd note played in a chord will be sounded by the controlling VL.

In the VL1 Ver.2 and VL1-m Ver.2 the "Poly Expand" parameter is only available when the "Key Mode" parameter is set to "Poly" and the "Assign Mode" parameter is set to "Last Note". When the "Poly" key mode is not selected "Key mode is not POLY" will appear in place of the "Poly Expand" parameter setting, and when the "Last Note" assign mode is not selected "Asgn mode is not LAST" will appear.

The "Poly Expand" parameter is always available on the VL7 Ver.2.



EDIT/COM/MISC/CONTROLLER

● Touch EG Gain

Ø 0 ... 127

Increasing the value of this new parameter raises the lower limit of touch EG variation, producing relatively higher output and range.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 36; VL1-m ⇒ 36; VL7 ⇒ 34



EDIT/COM/MISC/MICROTUNING

30 new microtuning types have been added: numbers P-55 through P-84. In all these microtunings extra notes are set to the next lowest note.

55	Zalzal	Modern Arabic scale (white notes; in C).
56	Farabi X	Tuning from Al Farabi (c. 700 A.D.; white notes; in C).
57	Ishfahan	Medieval Arabic 8-tone scale (white keys & B♭; in C).
58	Al-Kindi	A 10th-century Arabic scale. This version uses C as the tonic. Since there are 16 notes the tonic moves to different MIDI keys (G#0, C2, E3, G#4, C6, E7).
59	Zirafkend	Medieval Arabic 8-tone scale (white notes; in C).
60	Hhidjazi	Medieval Arabic scale using only white notes (in C).
61	Rahawi	Medieval Arabic scale using only white notes (in C).
62	Hhosaini	Medieval Arabic scale using only white notes (in C).
63	African	West African xylophone tuning (white notes; in C).
64	Bagpipes	Scottish highland bagpipe tuning (in B♭).
65	Yugo Bag	Observed Yugoslavian bagpipe tuning (all notes).
66	Bulgar Bag	Observed Bulgarian bagpipe tuning (all notes).
67	Byzantine	Byzantine palace mode. Mixed tetrachords (white notes; in C).
68	Tibet	12-note Tibetan scale.
69	Ch Flute	Chinese flute observed in 1885. 'E' and 'B' are additions to the basic pentatonic scale (white notes; in C).
70	Ch Sheng	Observed Chinese sheng or mouth organ tuning (white notes; in C).
71	Dowland	John Dowland's lute tuning (17th century). A well-tempered 12-tone scale.
72	Golden	Based on the golden section, the ratios are successive terms in the Fibonacci series. (black notes; in Db).
73	PelogSlend	Two observed Javanese gamelan scales: Pelog on white notes and Slendro on black. Both are in C.
74	Singapore	Observed Singapore marimba tuning (white notes, in C).
75	Didymus Di	A just diatonic scale from Didymus (white notes; in C).
76	Aristoxene	Aristoxene's Chromatic Malakon, or soft tuning (white notes; in C).
77	Eratosthen	Eratosthene's Enharmonic Ancient Greek. Equal tetrachords (white notes; in C).
78	Phrygian	Old Phrygian Ancient Greek. Equal tetrachords (white notes; in C).
79	Indian 1	An observed Indian mode (white notes; in C).
80	Indian 2	An observed Indian mode (white notes; in C).
81	Hirajoshi1	Observed pentatonic koto scale (black notes; in Db).
82	Hirajoshi2	A second observed pentatonic koto scale (black notes; in Db).
00	Korea	The "Delightful" pentatonic scale from Korea (black notes; in Db).
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EDIT/COM/MISC/CONTINUOUS SLIDER

Slider Assign Parameters

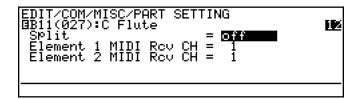
A range of new parameters can be assigned to the continuous sliders.

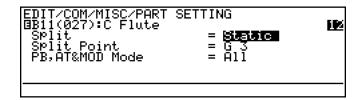
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EDIT/COM/MISC/PART SETTING

The parameters in this page become active when the "Key Mode" parameter is set to "Part". "Keymode is not Part" appears in this page when the key mode is not set to "Part".





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EDIT/COM/MISC/PART SETTING
BB11(027):C Flute
SPlit = UMnamic
SPlit Point = G 3
PB,AT&MOD Mode = All
Interval = 0
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Split

Ø off, Static, Dynamic

When "Split" is "off", separate MIDI receive channels can be set for elements 1 and 2 allowing them to be controlled on different channels from an external MIDI controller. In this case note data received on the receive channel set in the UTILITY/SYSTEM page is ignored. Program change, continuous slider data (i.e. control change numbers 16 and 17; quick edit in the VL1-m), effect control data, polyphony control data, and main volume data are received on the main receive channel set in the UTILITY/SYSTEM page. When active, the element 1 and element 2 MIDI receive channels appear on line 5 of the PLAY mode display.

When this parameter is set to "Static" the keyboard is split at the key specified by the "Split Point" parameter (C-2 ... G8). the "Split Point" parameter only appears when the static split mode is selected. Element 1 plays on all keys to the left of (and including) the split point key, while element 2 plays on all keys to the right of the split point key.

When the "Split" parameter is set to "Dynamic" the split point is automatically set to a note somewhere between two notes played on the keyboard. The split point thus moves to accomodate any combination of notes. When the "Dynamic" split mode is selected the "Interval" parameter will appear. This parameter determines the number of notes, counting from the last note played toward the first note played, at which the split point will be set. The main differences between operation in this mode and the Unison mode are that you know which element will sound when the first note (or a single note) is played, only one element sounds when a single note is played, and the split point moves automatically to accompdate the notes played.

Element 1 MIDI Rcv CH

• Element 2 MIDI Rcv CH

Ø 1...16

These parameters appear when the "Split" mode is set to "off", allowing the MIDI receive channels for elements 1 and 2 to be set independently.

Split Point

Ø C-2 ... G8

Sets the keyboard split point when the "Split" mode is set to "Static" or "Dynamic".

● PB, AT&MOD Mode

All, Lower, Upper

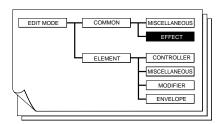
When the "Split" mode is set to "Static" or "Dynamic" this parameter determines whether the pitch bend wheel, modulation wheels, and aftertouch will affect the entire keyboard ("All"), only notes to the left of and including the split point ("Lower"), or only notes to the right of the split point ("Upper").

Interval

Ø 0 ... 24

When the "Dynamic" split mode is selected this parameter determines the number of notes, counting from the last note played toward the first note played, at which the split point will be set.

Common Effect





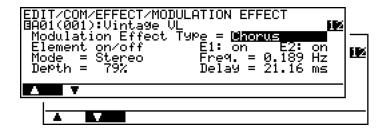
New Modulation Effect Types

In addition to the Flanger, Pitch Change, and Distortion modulation effect types provided in the original VL models, Version 2 provides Chorus, Phaser, Symphonic, Celeste, Distortion + Flanger, and Distortion + Wah modulation effects.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 46; VL1-m ⇒ 46; VL7 ⇒ 44



Chorus



• Use the F1 ("▲") and F2 ("▼") buttons to switch between the two pages of effect parameters.

● Element on/off — E1: & E2:

Ø off, on.

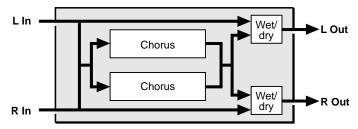
In this parameter the cursor can be positioned at "E1:" or "E2:" to individually turn the chorus effect on or off for elements 1 and 2, respectively. When "on" the output of the corresponding element is fed to the input of the modulation stage, and when "off" the modulation stage is bypassed. The "E2:" parameter will not appear when editing a single-element voice.

Mode

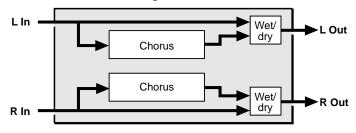
Monaural, Stereo.

When set to "Stereo" the chorus effect is applied independently to the left and right-channel signals. When "Monaural", chorus is applied to a mix of the left and right-channel signals.

■ Monaural Mode Block Diagram



■ Stereo Mode Block Diagram



Freq.

Ø 0.057 ... 40.0 Hz.

Sets the speed of modulation and therefore the rate of chorus effect variation.

Depth

Ø 0 ... 100%.

Sets the depth of modulation. Higher values produce deeper modulation and therefore a more pronounced chorus effect.

Delay

Ø 0.33 ... 32.87 ms.

Sets the chorus delay time (the chorus effect is basically produced by modulating the delay time of one signal in relation to another). The higher the value the more pronounced the chorus effect.

FB Gain

∅ -100 ... 100 %.

Determines the amount of effect-sound feedback returned to the input of the chorus stage. Higher negative or positive values produce a more pronounced effect.

High

Ø 0.1 ... 1.0.

Determines the amount of high-frequency effect-sound feedback returned to the input of the chorus stage. Lower values produce more cut in the high-frequency range.

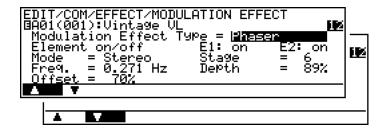
Wet/Dry Balance

Ø 0 ... 100 %.

Sets the balance between the direct ("dry") and effect ("wet") sound. Higher values produce a greater proportion of effect sound in relation to direct sound.



Phaser



• Use the F1 ("▲") and F2 ("▼") buttons to switch between the two pages of effect parameters.

● Element on/off — E1: & E2:

 \emptyset off, on.

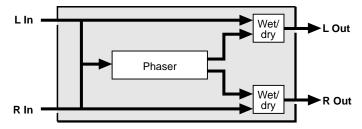
In this parameter the cursor can be positioned at "E1:" or "E2:" to individually turn the phaser effect on or off for elements 1 and 2, respectively. When "on" the output of the corresponding element is fed to the input of the modulation stage, and when "off" the modulation stage is bypassed. The "E2:" parameter will not appear when editing a single-element voice.

Mode

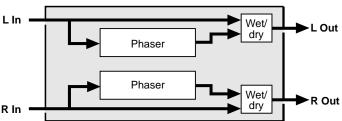
Monaural, Stereo.

When set to "Stereo" the phaser effect is applied independently to the left and right-channel signals. When "Monaural", the phaser effect is applied to a mix of the left and right-channel signals.

■ Monaural Mode Block Diagram



■ Stereo Mode Block Diagram



Stage

🧗 4 , 6 in Stereo Mode; 4, 6, 8, 10, 12 in Monaural Mode.

Sets the number of phase-shift "stages" used by the phaser effect. More stages produce a more pronounced effect.

• Freq.

Ø 0.057 ... 40.0 Hz.

Sets the speed of modulation and therefore the rate of phaser effect variation.

Depth

Ø 0 ... 100%.

Sets the depth of modulation. Higher values produce deeper modulation and therefore a more pronounced phaser effect.

Offset

 \emptyset 0 ... 100%.

Sets the frequency range to which the phase effect is applied. The higher the value the higher the frequency range affected by the phaser effect.

Phase (Stereo Mode)

Ø -180.0 ... 180.0 deg.

Diffusion (Monaural Mode)

🧷 off, on.

When the Stereo mode is selected, this parameter becomes "Phase" and sets the phase different between the left and right channel phaser signals. The larger the value, the greater the "spread" in the sound. A setting of "0" produces a centered effect.

When the Monaural mode is selected this parameter becomes "Diffusion" and determines whether the effect has a stereo spread ("on") or is a centered monaural signal ("off").

• FB Gain

Ø -100 ... 100 %.

Determines the amount of effect-sound feedback returned to the input of the phaser stage. Higher negative or positive values produce a more pronounced effect.

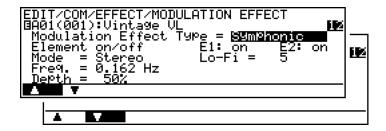
Wet/Dry Balance

 \emptyset 0 ... 100 %.

Sets the balance between the direct ("dry") and effect ("wet") sound. Higher values produce a greater proportion of effect sound in relation to direct sound.



Symphonic



• Use the F1 ("▲") and F2 ("▼") buttons to switch between the two pages of effect parameters.

● Element on/off — E1: & E2:

Ø off, on.

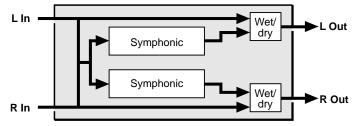
In this parameter the cursor can be positioned at "E1:" or "E2:" to individually turn the symphonic effect on or off for elements 1 and 2, respectively. When "on" the output of the corresponding element is fed to the input of the modulation stage, and when "off" the modulation stage is bypassed. The "E2:" parameter will not appear when editing a single-element voice.

Mode

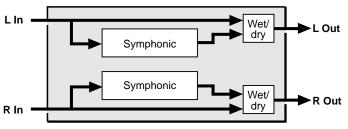
Monaural, Stereo.

When set to "Stereo" the symphonic effect is applied independently to the left and right-channel signals. When "Monaural", the symphonic effect is applied to a mix of the left and right-channel signals.

■ Monaural Mode Block Diagram



■ Stereo Mode Block Diagram



Freq.

Ø 0.057 ... 40.0 Hz.

Sets the speed of modulation and therefore the rate of symphonic effect variation.

Depth

Ø 0 ... 100%.

Sets the depth of modulation. Higher values produce deeper modulation and therefore a more pronounced symphonic effect.

Diffusion

Ø 0 ... 10.

Diffusion determines the amount of stereo "spread". The higher the value the greater the spread. When set to "0" the symphonic effect is a centered monaural signal.

● Lo-Fi

Ø off, 1 ... 12.

This parameter can be used to give the symphonic effect a more analog feel. Higher values produce a smoother effect in the high-frequency range.

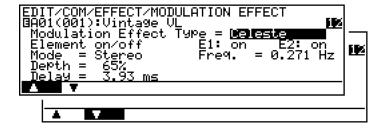
Wet/Dry Balance

Ø 0 ... 100 %.

Sets the balance between the direct ("dry") and effect ("wet") sound. Higher values produce a greater proportion of effect sound in relation to direct sound.



Celeste



• Use the F1 ("▲") and F2 ("▼") buttons to switch between the two pages of effect parameters.

● Element on/off — E1: & E2:

Ø off, on.

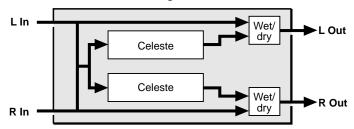
In this parameter the cursor can be positioned at "E1:" or "E2:" to individually turn the celeste effect on or off for elements 1 and 2, respectively. When "on" the output of the corresponding element is fed to the input of the modulation stage, and when "off" the modulation stage is bypassed. The "E2:" parameter will not appear when editing a single-element voice.

Mode

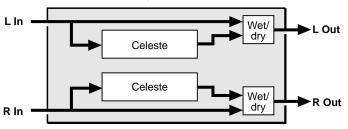
Monaural, Stereo.

When set to "Stereo" the celeste effect is applied independently to the left and right-channel signals. When "Monaural", the celeste effect is applied to a mix of the left and right-channel signals.

■ Monaural Mode Block Diagram



■ Stereo Mode Block Diagram



Freq.

Ø 0.057 ... 40.0 Hz.

Sets the speed of modulation and therefore the rate of celeste effect variation.

Depth

 \emptyset 0 ... 100%.

Sets the depth of modulation. Higher values produce deeper modulation and therefore a more pronounced celeste effect.

Delay

Ø 0.33 ... 32.87 ms.

Sets the celeste delay time (the celeste effect is basically produced by modulating the delay time of one signal in relation to another). The higher the value the more pronounced the celeste effect.

• FB Gain

-100 ... 100 %.

Determines the amount of effect-sound feedback returned to the input of the celeste stage. Higher negative or positive values produce a more pronounced effect.

● Lo-Fi

Ø off, 1 ... 12.

This parameter can be used to give the celeste effect a more analog feel. Higher values produce a smoother effect in the high-frequency range.

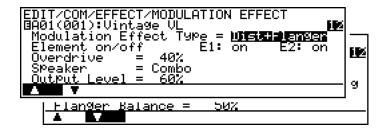
Wet/Dry Balance

Ø 0 ... 100 %.

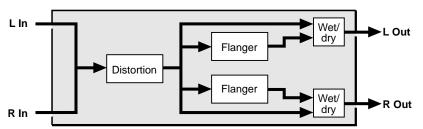
Sets the balance between the direct ("dry") and effect ("wet") sound. Higher values produce a greater proportion of effect sound in relation to direct sound.



Dist+Flanger



- Use the F1 ("▲") and F2 ("▼") buttons to switch between the two pages of effect parameters.
 - Dist+Flanger Effect Block Diagram



● Element on/off — E1: & E2:

Ø off, on.

In this parameter the cursor can be positioned at "E1:" or "E2:" to individually turn the Dist+Flanger effect on or off for elements 1 and 2, respectively. When "on" the output of the corresponding element is fed to the input of the modulation stage, and when "off" the modulation stage is bypassed. The "E2:" parameter will not appear when editing a single-element voice.

Overdrive

Ø 0 ... 100 %.

Sets the intensity of the overdrive or distortion effect. Higer values produce more distortion.

Speaker

Flat, Stack, Combo, Twin, Radio, Megaphone.

Simulates a variety of speaker types and configurations via which the distortion sound might be reproduced.

Flat	No speaker — the sound of a "direct feed" to a recording or sound reinforcement console.
Stack	The powerful, expansive sound of stacked speaker cabinets.
Combo	A single 12" speaker unit in an open-backed enclosure.
Twin	Two 12" speaker units in a relatively small open-backed enclosure.
Radio	The small, compressed, but pleasant tone of a radio receiver.
Megaphone	Constricted tone with emphasis on the middle frequencies.

Output Level

Ø 0 ... 100 %.

Sets the output level of the distortion sound. Higher values send higher-level signal to the flanger stage.

• Freq.

Ø 0.057 ... 40.0 Hz.

Sets the speed of modulation and therefore the rate of flanger effect variation.

Depth

Ø 0 ... 100 %.

Sets the depth of modulation. Higher values produce deeper modulation and therefore a more pronounced flanger effect.

Delay

Ø 0.33 ... 32.87 ms.

Sets the flanger delay time (the flanger effect is basically produced by modulating the delay time of one signal in relation to another). Shorter delay times produce the greatest effect in the high-frequency range, while longer delay times extend the effect to the middle and lower frequencies. Delays longer than about 5 milliseconds produce a more chorus-like effect

Phase

🧳 -180.0 ... 180.0 deg.

Sets the phase different between the left and right channel flanger signals. The larger the value, the greater the "spread" in the sound. A setting of "0" produces a centered effect.

• FB Gain

Ø -100 ... 100 %.

Determines the amount of effect-sound feedback returned to the input of the flanger stage. Higher negative or positive values produce a more pronounced effect.

High

Ø 0.1 ... 1.0.

Determines the amount of high-frequency effect-sound feedback returned to the input of the flanger stage. Lower values produce more cut in the high-frequency range.

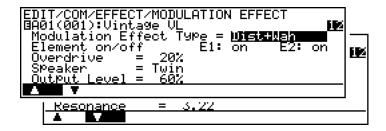
Flanger Balance

Ø 0 ... 100 %.

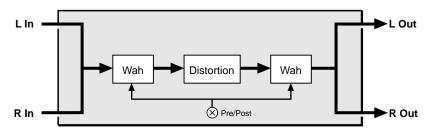
Sets the balance between the distortion and flanger effect sound. Higher values produce a greater proportion of flanger sound in relation to distortion sound.



Dist+Wah



- Use the F1 ("▲") and F2 ("▼") buttons to switch between the two pages of effect parameters.
 - Dist+Flanger Effect Block Diagram



■ Element on/off — E1: & E2:

Ø off, on.

In this parameter the cursor can be positioned at "E1:" or "E2:" to individually turn the Dist+Wah effect on or off for elements 1 and 2, respectively. When "on" the output of the corresponding element is fed to the input of the modulation stage, and when "off" the modulation stage is bypassed. The "E2:" parameter will not appear when editing a single-element voice.

Overdrive

Ø 0 ... 100 %.

Sets the intensity of the overdrive or distortion effect. Higher values produce more distortion.

Speaker

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Simulates a variety of speaker types and configurations via which the distortion sound might be reproduced.

Flat	No speaker — the sound of a "direct feed" to a recording or sound reinforcement console.
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Radio	The small, compressed, but pleasant tone of a radio receiver.
Megaphone	Constricted tone with emphasis on the middle frequencies.

Output Level

 \emptyset 0 ... 100 %.

Sets the output level of the distortion sound. Higher values produce higher level.

Mode

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Determines the type of filter used by the wah effect: LPF = Low Pass Filter; BPF = Band Pass Filter; HPF = High Pass Filter.

Wah Pre/Post

Pre, Post.

Determines whether the wah effect is placed before the distortion effect ("Pre") or after the distortion effect ("Post").

Cutoff Freq

26.9 Hz ... 11.9 kHz.

Sets the central cutoff frequency for the wah effect.

Resonance

1.0 ... 15.6.

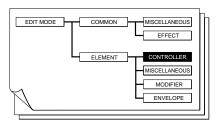
Sets the amount of emphasis at the wah effect cutoff frequency, and therefore the depth of the wah effect. Higher values produce greater emphasis at the cutoff frequency.

Sens

Ø 0 ... 100 %.

Determines the amount of cutoff frequency variation or sweep. Higher values produce a broader frequency variation. A setting of "0" results in no cutoff frequency variation.

Element Controller

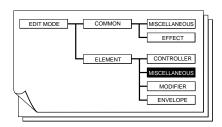




● Controller Parameter Displays

When a controller is "off", unnecessary parameters no longer appear on the display.

Element Miscellaneous





EDIT/E1/MISC/BREATH NOISE

Noise

In Version 2 it is possible to select from 23 different breath noise types:

Normal	A coarse noise type ("Normal Harsh").
Harsh 1	Coarse noise with emphasis in the low-frequency region.
Harsh 2	A variation of the Harsh 1 type.
Lo Lips 1	Lip-reed type noise with emphasis in the low-frequency region.
Lo Lips 2	A variation of Lo Lips 1.
Mid Lips 1	Lip-reed type noise with emphasis in the mid-frequency region.
Mid Lips 2	A variation of Mid Lips 1.
Hi Lips 1	Lip-reed type noise with emphasis in the high-frequency region.
Hi Lips 2	A variation of Hi Lips 1.
Jet	Jet-reed type noise.
Lo Jet	Jet-reed type noise with emphasis in the low-frequency region.
Mid Jet	Jet-reed type noise with emphasis in the mid-frequency region.
Hi Jet	Jet-reed type noise with emphasis in the high-frequency region.
Steam 1	Steam noise type 1.
Steam 2	Steam noise type 2.
Steam 3	Steam noise type 3.
Steam 4	Steam noise type 4.
Plastic 1	Man-made "artificial" noise type 1.
Plastic 2	Man-made "artificial" noise type 2.
Dark Woody	Noise with a woody resonance.
Metal 1	Metallic noise type 1.
Metal 2	Metallic noise type 2.
Rain	Sound-effect type rain-like noise.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 \Rightarrow 86; VL1- $m \Rightarrow$ 86; VL7 \Rightarrow 84



EDIT/E1/MISC/THROAT FORMANT/KSC (Pitch)

The number of breakpoints has been increased from four to eight, allowing much greater key-scaling precision.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 93; VL1-m ⇒ 93; VL7 ⇒ 91



EDIT/E1/MISC/MIXING

Tap Setting

Driving Point, Fixed, KeyTrack, Fixed(Straight), KeyTrack(Straight)

In the original VL models the "Tap Setting" parameter had only two settings: "Variable" and "Driving Point". In Version 2 five settings are available: "Driving Point", "Fixed", "KeyTrack", "Fixed(Straight)", and "KeyTrack(Straight)".

The "Driving Point" setting has the same effect as in the original version, while the "KeyTrack" setting is equivalent to the original "Variable" setting. When the "Fixed" setting is selected the driving point is fixed at the position specified by the "Tap Location" parameter — directly in microseconds through milliseconds: from 20.8 μ sec to 946 μ sec, and then from 1.01 msec to 42.7 msec. The "Fixed(Straight)" and "KeyTrack(Straight)" parameters are essentially the

same as the "Fixed" and "KeyTrack" parameters, except that they cover a broader range of settings for greater sonic variation.

The number of Tap Location key-scaling breakpoints has been increased from 6 to 8 for exacting control.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 98; VL1-m ⇒ 98; VL7 ⇒ 96



EDIT/E1/MISC/EXCITATION

The parameters in this page can be used to apply a pulse-wave excitation signal to the string or reed to create a plucked effect.



• An inverse "K" next to a value means that key scaling can be applied to that parameter. Position the cursor at the appropriate parameter and then press the F7 ("KSC") button or ENTER button to go directly to the key scaling page for that parameter. You can return to the excitation parameter page by pressing the EXIT button.

● Lvl to P/S

Ø -127 ... 127

Sets the level of excitation signal applied to the pipe or string. Negative values produce a reverse-phase excitation signal.

● Lvl to Drv

Ø -127 ... 127

Sets the level of excitation signal applied to the driver. Negative values produce a reverse-phase excitation signal.

LPF Cutoff

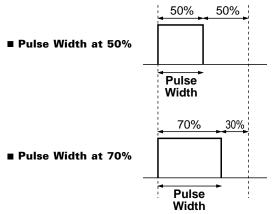
Ø 31.1 Hz ... 24.0 kHz

Sets the cutoff frequency of the low-pass filter applied to the excitation signal.

Pulse Width

Ø 0.0 ... 99.2 %

Sets the pulse width of the excitation signal. Higher values produce a broader pulse width.



VlSns to Lvl

Ø 0...16

Sets the sensitivity of excitation signal level to keyboard velocity. Higher values produce a greater variation in excitation signal level in response to keyboard velocity.

VlSns to LPF

Ø 0 ... 16

Sets the sensitivity of the excitation signal low pass filter cutoff frequency to keyboard velocity. Higher values produce a greater variation in filter cutoff frequency in response to keyboard velocity.

VISns to PW

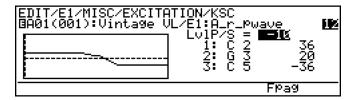
Ø -16 ... 16

Sets the sensitivity of excitation signal pulse width to keyboard velocity. Higher values produce a greater variation in excitation signal pulse width in response to keyboard velocity. Negative values result in reduced pulse width.



Excitation Level to Pipe/String Key Scaling

Excitation level to pipe/string key scaling produces natural excitation level to pipe/string variations across the range of the keyboard by allowing different level offset values to be applied to each of three breakpoints set at appropriate keys.



• The F6 and F7 buttons ("Bpag" and "Fpag") can be used to go directly backward or forward to the next excitation key scaling page without having to return to the main parameter page.

LvlP/S

∅ -127 ... 127.

The "LvlP/S" parameter is linked to the main throat formant "Lvl to P/S" parameter, and has the same effect. This value also determines the main level to pipe/string level on which all key-scaled variations are based (indicated by a dotted line on the graph).

Breakpoint 1 ... 3 Key

Ø C-2 ... G8.

Allows three separate key scaling breakpoints to be set at any notes between C-2 and G8. You can position the cursor at the appropriate breakpoint key parameter and use any of the normal data entry procedures, or use the keyboard. To use the keyboard for breakpoint entry, position the cursor at the appropriate breakpoint key parameter, press the F8 button ("Kbd"), and then press the key at which you want to set the breakpoint while "Kbd" appears in inverse characters.

No breakpoint can be set to a key lower than the breakpoint to its left.

● Breakpoint 1 ... 3 Offset

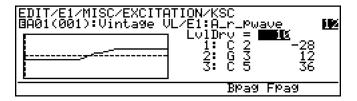
∅ -127 ... 127.

Set the amount offset for each of the breakpoints defined by the breakpoint key parameters, above. Negative values reduce the level, and positive values increase the level at the corresponding breakpoint. No matter what offset value is chosen, the actual level will never exceed its minimum or maximum absolute value. When different offset values are applied to adjacent breakpoints, the level varies smoothly between the breakpoints.



Excitation Level to Driver Key Scaling

Excitation level to driver key scaling produces natural excitation level to driver variations across the range of the keyboard by allowing different level offset values to be applied to each of three breakpoints set at appropriate keys.



• The F6 and F7 buttons ("Bpag" and "Fpag") can be used to go directly backward or forward to the next excitation key scaling page without having to return to the main parameter page.

LvlDrv

∅ -127 ... 127.

The "LvlDrv" parameter is linked to the main excitation "Lvl to Drv" parameter, and has the same effect. This value also determines the main level to driver value on which all key-scaled variations are based (indicated by a dotted line on the graph).

● Breakpoint 1 ... 3 Key

Ø C-2 ... G8.

Allows three separate key scaling breakpoints to be set at any notes between C-2 and G8. You can position the cursor at the appropriate breakpoint key parameter and use any of the normal data entry procedures, or use the keyboard. To use the keyboard for breakpoint entry, position the cursor at the appropriate breakpoint key parameter, press the F8 button ("Kbd"), and then press the key at which you want to set the breakpoint while "Kbd" appears in inverse characters.

No breakpoint can be set to a key lower than the breakpoint to its left.

● Breakpoint 1 ... 3 Offset

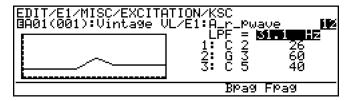
(i) -127 ... 127.

Set the amount offset for each of the breakpoints defined by the breakpoint key parameters, above. Negative values reduce the level, and positive values increase the level at the corresponding breakpoint. No matter what offset value is chosen, the actual level will never exceed its minimum or maximum absolute value. When different offset values are applied to adjacent breakpoints, the level varies smoothly between the breakpoints.



Excitation LPF Cutoff Key Scaling

Excitation LPF cutoff key scaling produces natural LPF frequency variations across the range of the keyboard by allowing different cutoff frequency offset values to be applied to each of three breakpoints set at appropriate keys.



• The F6 and F7 buttons ("Bpag" and "Fpag") can be used to go directly backward or forward to the next excitation key scaling page without having to return to the main parameter page.

LPF

31.1 Hz ... 24.0 kHz.

The "LPF" parameter is linked to the main excitation "LPF Cutoff" parameter, and sets the cutoff frequency of the excitation low-pass filter. This value also determines the main cutoff frequency on which all key-scaled variations are based (indicated by a dotted line on the graph).

● Breakpoint 1 ... 3 Key

Ø C-2 ... G8.

Allows three separate key scaling breakpoints to be set at any notes between C-2 and G8. You can position the cursor at the appropriate breakpoint key parameter and use any of the normal data entry procedures, or use the keyboard. To use the keyboard for breakpoint entry, position the cursor at the appropriate breakpoint key parameter, press the F8 button ("Kbd"), and then press the key at which you want to set the breakpoint while "Kbd" appears in inverse characters.

No breakpoint can be set to a key lower than the breakpoint to its left.

● Breakpoint 1 ... 3 Offset

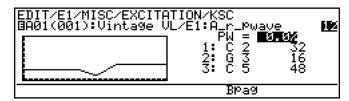
Ø -64 ... 63.

Set the amount of cutoff frequency offset for each of the breakpoints defined by the breakpoint key parameters, above. Negative values lower the cutoff frequency, and positive values raise the cutoff frequency at the corresponding breakpoint. No matter what offset value is chosen, the actual cutoff frequency will never exceed its minimum or maximum absolute value. When different offset values are applied to adjacent breakpoints, the cutoff frequency varies smoothly between the breakpoints.



Excitation Pulse Width Key Scaling

Excitation pulse width key scaling produces natural pulse width variations across the range of the keyboard by allowing different pulse width offset values to be applied to each of three breakpoints set at appropriate keys.



• The F6 button ("Bpag") can be used to go directly back to the next excitation key scaling page without having to return to the main parameter page.

• PW

Ø 0.0 ... 99.2 %.

The "PW" parameter is linked to the main excitation "pulse width" parameter, and has the same effect. This value also determines the main pulse width on which all key-scaled variations are based (indicated by a dotted line on the graph).

● Breakpoint 1 ... 3 Key

Ø C-2 ... G8.

Allows three separate key scaling breakpoints to be set at any notes between C-2 and G8. You can position the cursor at the appropriate breakpoint key parameter and use any of the normal data entry procedures, or use the keyboard. To use the keyboard for breakpoint entry, position the cursor at the appropriate breakpoint key parameter, press the F8 button ("Kbd"), and then press the key at which you want to set the breakpoint while "Kbd" appears in inverse characters.

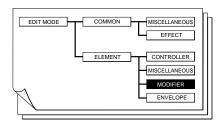
No breakpoint can be set to a key lower than the breakpoint to its left.

● Breakpoint 1 ... 3 Offset

Ø -64 ... 63.

Set the amount of pulse frequency offset for each of the breakpoints defined by the breakpoint key parameters, above. Negative values reduce the pulse width, and positive values increase the pulse width at the corresponding breakpoint. No matter what offset value is chosen, the actual pulse width will never exceed its minimum or maximum absolute value. When different offset values are applied to adjacent breakpoints, the pulse width varies smoothly between the breakpoints.

Element Modifier





EDIT/E1/MODIFIER/HARMOMNIC ENHANCER

In Version 2 the number of key scaling breakpoints for the following parameters has been increased as listed.

Carrier HPF	Increased from 2 to 4 breakpoints
Carrier Over Drive	Increased from 2 to 4 breakpoints
Carrier Level	Increased from 4 to 6 breakpoints
Balance	Increased from 2 to 4 breakpoints

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 110~114; VL1-m ⇒ 110~114; VL7 ⇒ 108~112



EDIT/E1/MODIFIER/EQUALIZER AUXILIARY

● Post EQ Boost

🧳 -12.0 ... 12.0 dB

In version 2 the Equalizer Auxiliary features a "Post EQ Boost" parameter which allows the post harmonic-enhancer signal to be boosted by -12 to 12 dB.

Also, the number of key scaling breakpoints for the following parameters has been increased as listed.

HPF Cutoff Freq	Increased from 3 to 4 breakpoints
LPF Cutoff Freq	Increased from 3 to 4 breakpoints

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 120~121; VL1-m ⇒ 120~121; VL7 ⇒ 118~119



EDIT/E1/MODIFIER/RESONATOR

The resonator display layout has been improved with the addition of $\boxed{\texttt{F1}}$ (\blacktriangle) and $\boxed{\texttt{F2}}$ (\blacktriangledown) function buttons that can be used to switch between two pages of parameters.

Delay Time

Ø 0.042 ... 42.67 msec

In Version 2 the Resonator "Delay Time" range has been increase while the size of the delay time increments has been decreased for greater precision. The new delay time range is from $0.042~\mathrm{msec}$ to $42.67~\mathrm{msec}$.

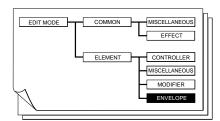
Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 126; VL1-m ⇒ 126; VL7 ⇒ 124

Conjunction

Ø -64 ... 63

A "Conjunction" parameter has been added which can be used to adjust the frequency balance of the resonator. The conjunction range is from -64 to 63.

Element Envelope





EDIT/E1/ENV/EMBOUCHURE&PITCH

Two parameters have been added to this page for greater programming flexibility.

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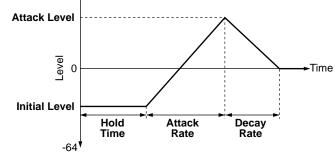
Attack Rate

Ø 0 ... 127

Sets the rate of variation from the initial level to the attack level. Key scaling with two breakpoints is provided.

Attack Lvl

Ø -64... 63



Sets the level following the initial level, after the Attack Rate vaiation. Key scaling with two breakpoints is provided.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 130; VL1-m ⇒ 130; VL7 ⇒ 128



EDIT/E1/ENV/VIBRATO

Speed Shift

Ø 0 ... 16

The "Speed Shift" parameter range has been increased to allow faster variation. At the new maximum setting of "16", the speed can be increased to a maximum of 40 times its normal setting via the controller.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 135; VL1-m ⇒ 135; VL7 ⇒ 133



EDIT/E1/ENV/GROWL

Speed Shift

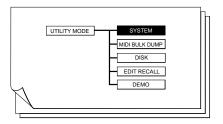
Ø 0 ... 16

A "Speed Shift" parameter has been added which determines the amount of speed variation that can be applied via the controller assigned to growl. The higher the setting the greater the increase in speed. At the maximum setting of "16", the speed can be increased to a maximum of 40 times its normal setting via the controller.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 141; VL1-m ⇒ 141; VL7 ⇒ 139



Utility System





UTIL/SYSTEM/KBD SETTING

Octave SW Hold

Ø off, on, Half PB, Full PB

New settings for the "Octave SW Hold" parameter allow the octave hold switches to be used as trill switches to produce semitone and whole-tone trills. When "Half PB" is selected pressing the UP or DOWN octave hold switch shifts the pitch up or down by a semitone. With the "Full PB" setting the octave hold switches shift the pitch a whole tone. In both cases pitch returns to normal when the switch is released.

NOTES ■ Do not use the octave hold switches while operating the PITCH wheel!

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 153; VL7 ⇒ 151



UTIL/SYSTEM/TG SETTING

WX Lip

Normal, Expand

The keyboard-based VL models — the VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2 — now include the "WX Lip" parameter originally found only in the VL1-m.

This parameter can be set to "Expand" when using a WX11 or WX7 Wind Controller in the tight-lip mode to expand the normally limited lip pitch bend range of these controllers to the full range available on the VL instrument. Set to "Normal" when using a WX11 or WX7 in the loose-lip mode, or when using an external keyboard or other non-wind controller.



UTIL/SYSTEM/ASSIGNABLE CONTROLLER

"BC" (Breath Controller) and "FC1" (Foot Controller 1) assignments have been added to this page for increased controller assignment versatility — and considerably enhanced master-keyboard functionality.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 156; VL7 ⇒ 154



UTIL/SYSTEM/CURVE

Velocity Curve

Normal, Soft, Wide, Hard, Fix1, Fix5 ... Fix127

In addition to the original "Normal", "Soft", "Wide", and "Hard" settings, the "Velocity Curve" parameter now has a range of "Fix" settings (i.e. the velocity can be "Fixed" at a wide range of constant levels).

After Touch/Breath Curve

\$\textsit{\textsit}\tag{0}\$ -16 \dots 0(Normal) \dots 16, Wide

Instead of the original "Normal", "Soft", "Wide", and "Hard" settings, the Version 2 "After Touch Curve" and "Breath Curve" parameters have been expanded to cover a range from -16 through 0 (Normal) to +16 and Wide. In the new system a setting of "-9" corresponds to the "Soft" setting in the original VL modes. Toward the other end of the range a setting of "9" corresponds to the original "Hard" setting.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 157; VL1-m ⇒ 156; VL7 ⇒ 155



UTIL/SYSTEM/BREATH MODE

Version 2 makes it possible to assign pressure control to keyboard velocity or touch EG so that the all-important VL pressure characteristics can be taken full advantage of even without using a breath/wind controller.

Mode

BC/WX, Velocity, Touch EG

Selects the physical controller which will be assigned to the VL pressure controller. Select "BC/WX" for normal control via a BC1/BC2 breath controller or WX7/WX11 Wind Controller; "Velocity" to control pressure via keyboard initial touch response; or "Touch EG" to control pressure via a touch EG.

Breath Controller data will be ignored when "Velocity" or "Touch EG" is selected.

● Vel Ofst (Velocity & Touch EG Modes)

Ø 0 ... 127

The value of the "Vel Ofst" (Velocity Offset) parameter is added to the actual keyboard velocity value, thus "offsetting" the velocity to produce the ideal pressure response. This parameter appears only when the "Velocity" or "Touch EG" mode is selected.

Vel Gain (Velocity & Touch EG Modes)

Ø -7 ... 0 ... 7

"Vel Gain" (Velocity Gain) can be used to reduce (negative values) or increase (positive vales) the velocity gain, thus adjusting the range of velocity data for ideal pressure response. "Vel Gain" corresponds to the angle of the velocity curve. This parameter appears only when the "Velocity" or "Touch EG" mode is selected.

TEG Time (Touch EG Mode)

18.0 msec ... 4.43 sec

● AT Hi Ofst (Touch EG Mode)

Ø 0 ... 127

● AT Hi Gain (Touch EG Mode)

Ø -7 ... 0 ... 7

● AT Lo Ofst (Touch EG Mode)

Ø 0 ... 127

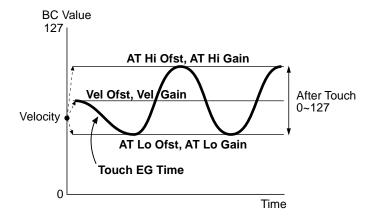
● AT Lo Gain (Touch EG Mode)

Ø -7 ... 0 ... 7

These parameters become available when the "Touch EG" mode is selected, and determine how the touch EG keyboard velocity and aftertouch data interact to produce the touch EG data used for pressure control.

TEG Time (Touch EG Time) determines how long velocity data is valid before aftertouch data takes over. In other words, when a note is initially played, pressure is controlled by keyboard velocity (as determined by the "Vel Ofst" and "Vel Gain" parameters described above), then it is controlled by keyboard aftertouch. Higher values produce a slower change.

The "AT Hi Ofst" and "AT Hi Gain" parameters set the upper limit of the aftertouch range, while the "AT Lo Ofst" and "AT Lo Gain" parameters set the lower limit of the aftertouch range.



NOTES When the "Velocity" or "Touch EG" mode is selected, the F8 ("Init") function button can be used to recall the preset values for all related parameters (except "Mode"). Press [INC] in response to the "Are You Sure?" prompt to initialize, or DEC to cancel.



UTIL/SYSTEM/MISCELLANEOUS

The Greeting Message input method has been modified in the same way as the voice and element name input method.

The $\boxed{\mathsf{F6}}$ (\blacktriangleleft) and $\boxed{\mathsf{F7}}$ (\blacktriangleright) function buttons are used to move the cursor to the desired position in the name rather than the cursor buttons. In Version 2 the cursor \blacktriangleleft and \blacktriangleright buttons perform the same function as the $\boxed{\mathsf{DEC}}$ and $\boxed{\mathsf{INC}}$ buttons: i.e. selecting the character for the current character position. The cursor \blacktriangle and \blacktriangledown buttons can also be used for this purpose.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 158; VL1-m ⇒ 158; VL7 ⇒ 157



UTIL/DISK/LOAD FROM DISK

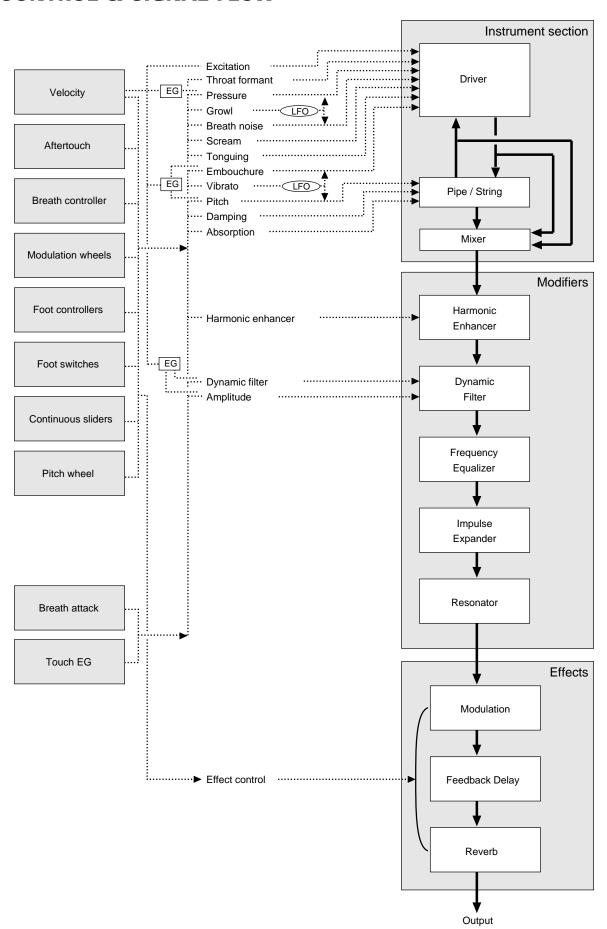
The disk load process has been updated to allow full compatibility with voice and system data from the original VL models. When an original VL voice disk is loaded "Now Converting and Loading!" appears on the display and the loaded data is automatically converted for use with Version 2. Please note that this does not affect the actual sound of the voices in any way since the voice data is not modified to take advantage of the new capabilities of Version 2.

NOTES ■ Since the voice names are not changed by this "convert-load" process, saving the voices back to the original disk will overwrite the original voice data — USE CAUTION!

- The converted voices can be saved to a different disk, as required.
- The converted data cannot be loaded and used with the original VL models.

Feature Reference pages: VL1 ⇒ 164; VL1-m ⇒ 164; VL7 ⇒ 164

■ CONTROL & SIGNAL FLOW



5: Experiments

This section presents some experiments that will help you to become familiar with how the VL controllers and other features work.

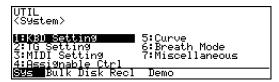


Preparation

The floppy disks supplied with the original VL models include a file named "EXAMPLE :ALL"

which contains a number of voices programmed specifically for use in the experiments described in this section. Before going on to the experiments themselves, load the voices and, if necessary, turn memory protection off as described below.

- **1.** Press UTILITY.
- **2.** Press F1 (Sys) to go to the utility system menu.



- **3.** Use the cursor buttons to select "Miscellaneous".
- **4.** Press ENTER. The system miscellaneous parameter page will appear.

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UTIL/SYSTEM/MISCELLANEOUS

Display = Normal
Confirm = on
Memory Protect = on
Greeting Message = These are Examples

Sys Bulk Disk Recl Demo
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- **5.** Use the cursor buttons to select the "Memory Protect" parameter.
- **6.** Press **DEC** to turn the "Memory Protect" parameter "off".
- 7. Insert the supplied floppy disk into the disk drive.
- **8.** Press F3 (Disk) to go to the utility disk menu.

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UTIL

<Disk>

IFUISK Status

2:Load From Disk

3:Save To Disk

4:Rename File

Sys Bulk <u>Disk</u> Recl Demo
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9. Use the cursor buttons to select "2: Load From Disk".

10. Press ENTER. The LOAD FROM DISK menu will appear.



- **11.** Use the cursor buttons to select "1: All".
- **12.** Press ENTER and a list of the files on the disk will appear.
- **13.** Use the cursor buttons to select "EXAMPLE :ALL".
- **14.** Press ENTER. The "Are You Sure?" confirmation prompt will appear (unless the confirmation message parameter is off).
- **15.** Press **INC** to load the EXAMPLE file. "Completed!" will appear on the display when the data has been loaded.
- 16. Press EXIT.
- 17. Press PLAY.

The example voice file we'll use for the following experiments should now be properly loaded. Voices A01 through A05 are the ones we'll use on the VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2. On the VL1-m Ver.2 we'll use A01 through A06. These voices have been specifically created to facilitate understanding of the way the VL system works. All other voices are unchanged.



Changing Controller Functions

Here's how you can change the function of the modulation wheel (MW1 on the VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2) as it applies to the AltoSax voice.

- 1. Since we won't be using the breath controller, foot controller, or footswitch for this experiment, begin by disconnecting them from the instrument. Just disonnect the breath controller from the VL1-m.
- **2.** Roll the modulation wheel (MW1 on the VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2) all the way towards you.
- **3.** Make sure the PLAY button indicator is lit. If it is not, press the PLAY button to engage the PLAY mode.
- **4.** Select voice number A01 the "AltoSax" voice.
- **5.** On the VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2, the MODULATION 2 wheel is initially set to produce the same effect as the breath controller. With the wheel rolled all the way up, the sound is the same as applying maximum pressure to the breath controller. Roll the MODULATION 2 wheel up to its maximum position.

This step is not necessary on the VL1-m Ver.2.

6. Press the F1 (Cnt) function button to call the CONTROLLER VIEW 1 display.

Note that the "Modulation" wheel is assigned to "Vibrato".

PLAY/CONTROLLE	R VIEW 1
A01(001):Alto	Sax
	Element1
Pressure	Breath Con
Embouchure	Pitch Bend
Pitch	Pitch Bend
Vibrato	Nocumetacy
Cnt1 Cnt2 Cnt3	Cnt4 Cnt5 CS Di

- **7.** While playing the keyboard with the right hand, try operating the modulation wheel (MW1 on the VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2) and note how it controls the vibrato effect.
- **8.** Press the F3 (Cnt3) function button to call the CONTROLLER VIEW 3 display.

Note that no controller is assigned to "Growl".

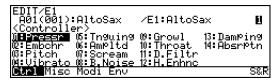
PLAY/CONTROLLER A01(001):AltoS	R VIEW 3 Sax	
	Element1	
Growl Throat Formant D.Filter H.Enhancer	Off After Touc Off Breath Con	
Cnt1 Cnt2 Cnt3	Cnt4 Cnt5	CS Dir

9. Press **EXIT** to return to the main PLAY mode display.

10. Press **EDIT** to go to the EDIT mode. The **EDIT** button indicator should light. If the top-level EDIT display — shown below — does not appear, press **EXIT** as many times as necessary until it does.



11. Press the F2 (E1 or EL) function button to go to the element edit menu. If the "Ctrl" display shown below does not appear, press the F1 (Ctrl) button.



12. Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "04. Vibrato" item in the menu.



13. Press ENTER to go to the VIBRATO parameter page.



- **14.** Make sure that "Modulation Wheel" is highlighted if not, use the cursor buttons to highlight it.
- **15.** Press **DEC** to turn the parameter "off".

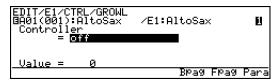


16. Press **EXIT** to return to the element edit menu.

17. Use the cursor buttons to highlight "09: Growl".



18. Press ENTER to go to the GROWL parameter page.



- **19.** Make sure that "off" is highlighted if not, use the cursor buttons to highlight it.
- **20.** Press INC to set the growl controller assignment to "Modulation Wheel".



21. Now try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard. The wheel should control the growl effect.

Although this is a simple example of how controller functions can be changed as required, it does demonstrate the versatile playability provided by the VL system.

Before going on to the next experiment, cancel the edits you just made as follows:

- **22.** Press PLAY to return to the PLAY mode. Note that an inverse "E" appears to the left of the voice number in the upper left corner of the display, indicating that the voice has been edited but not yet stored.
- **23.** Press the number 1 voice button on the VL1 Ver.2 or VL7 Ver.2. On the VL1-m Ver.2 press INC and then DEC. The "E" will disappear and the original pre-edit voice will be restored.

This technique can be used as a safety feature when editing: to restore the original voice after making one or more edits, simply return to the PLAY mode and re-select the same voice number without storing the voice. As long as the edited voice has not been stored, the same result can be achieved by selecting a different voice. The EDIT RECALL function described in the Feature Reference manuals can also be used to restore a voice that has not yet been stored.



Multiple Functions to One Controller

Lets try adding aftertouch "scream" control to a Shakuhachi voice.

- **1.** Since we won't be using the breath controller, foot controller, or footswitch for this experiment, begin by disconnecting them from the instrument. Just disconnect the breath controller from the VL1-m Ver.2.
- **2.** Roll the modulation wheel (MW1) all the way towards you.
- **3.** Make sure the <u>PLAY</u> button indicator is lit. If it is not, press the <u>(PLAY)</u> button to engage the PLAY mode.
- **4.** Select voice number A03 the "Shakuhachi" voice.

- **5.** Roll the VL1 Ver.2 or VL7 Ver.2 MODULATION 2 wheel up to its maximum position. This step is not necessary on the VL1-m Ver.2.
- **6.** Press the F3 (Cnt) function button to call the CONTROLLER VIEW 3 display.

Note that "Aftertouch" is assigned to "Growl".

PLAY/CONTROLLER VIEW 3 A03(003):Shakuhachi		
	Element1	
Growl Throat Formant D.Filter H.Enhancer	After Touc off Breath Att	
Cntl Cnt2 Cnt3	Cnt4 Cnt5	CS Dir

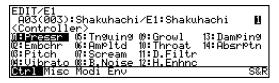
7. Play the keyboard and try varying the pressure applied to the keys after the notes are played to hear how aftertouch affects growl.

8. Press the F2 (Cnt2) function button to call the CONTROLLER VIEW 2 display.

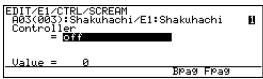
Note that no controller is assigned to "Scream".

PLAY/CONTROLLE A03(003):Shak		
	Element1	
Tonguing Amplitude Scream Breath Noise	off off off off	
Cntl Cnt2 Cnt3	Cnt4 Cnt5	CS Dir

- **9.** Press **EXIT** to return to the main PLAY mode display.
- **10.** Press EDIT to go to the EDIT mode. The EDIT button indicator should light. If the top-level EDIT display shown below does not appear, press EXIT as many times as necessary until it does.
- **11.** Press the F2 (E1 or EL) function button to go to the element edit menu. If the "Ctrl" display shown below does not appear, press the F1 (Ctrl) button.



- **12.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "07. Scream" item in the menu.
- **13.** Press ENTER to go to the SCREAM parameter page.



- **14.** Make sure that "off" is highlighted if not, use the cursor buttons to highlight it.
- **15.** Rotate the data dial clockwise until "After Touch" is selected for the "Controller" parameter.



16. Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Depth" parameter.

17. Use the data dial to set the "Depth" parameter to "50". Note how the graph in the display changes in response to this edit.



18. Try playing the keyboard with aftertouch pressure again. Now you should be able to control the scream effect in addition to the growl effect.

The ability to assign a single controller to multiple functions in this way makes it possible to create complex effects as well as subtle musical nuances while playing.

Before going on to the next experiment, cancel the edits you just made as follows:

- **19.** Press PLAY to return to the PLAY mode. Note that an inverse "E" appears to the left of the voice number in the upper left corner of the display, indicating that the voice has been edited but not yet stored.
- **20.** Press the number ③ voice button on the VL1 Ver.2 or VL7 Ver.2. On the VL1-m Ver.2 press INC and then DEC. The "E" will disappear and the original pre-edit voice will be restored.



Try Out The Controller Functions

The experiments described in this section provide an opportunity to discover just how controller functions like pressure and embouchure affect the sound.

NOTES ■ For the following experiments it is assumed that MODULATION WHEEL 2 is set to the same control number as the breath controller (the initial "EXAMPLE:ALL" file setting). If the MODULATION WHEEL 2 control change number has been changed for any reason, it should be

■ VL1 Ver.2/VL7 Ver.2 Preparations

reset to the initial value for these experiments.

Carry out the steps listed below to prepare the VL1 Ver.2 or VL7 Ver.2 for the following experiments. A separate preparation procedure is provided for the VL1-m Ver.2.

- **1.** Disconnect the breath controller, foot controller, and footswitch.
- **2.** Set MODULATION WHEEL 2 to its central position.
- **3.** Make sure the PLAY mode is engaged. If it isn't, press the PLAY button.
- **4.** Select voice A3 (Shakuhachi).
- **5.** Press EDIT.
- **6.** Press the F2 (E1 or EL) function button to go to the element edit menu.



- **7.** Use the cursor buttons to select the "01: Pressr" item.
- **8.** Press ENTER to go to the PRESSURE parameter page.



9. If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.

- **10.** Rotate the data dial counter-clockwise to turn the pressure controller "off".
- **11.** Press F7 (Fpag) to go to the next controller page.



- **12.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **13.** Rotate the data dial counter-clockwise to turn the embouchure controller "off".
- **14.** Repeat steps 11 through 13 to turn "off" the controllers for pitch, vibrato, tonguing, amplitude, scream, breath noise, growl, throat formant, dynamic filter, harmonic enhancer, damping, and absorption in the same way.

NOTES You can use the F6 (Bpag) function key to step back one controller page if necessary.

15. When all the controller parameters listed above have been turned "off", press **EXIT** to return to the element edit menu.

Once you have completed the above steps all controllers will disengaged and should have absolutely no effect on the sound. Play the keyboard and try out the modulation wheels, just to be sure.

■ VL1-m Ver.2 Preparation

Carry out the steps listed below to prepare the VL1-m Ver.2 for the following experiments.

- **1.** Disconnect the breath controller.
- **2.** Make sure the PLAY mode is engaged. If it isn't, press the PLAY button.
- **3.** Select voice A06 (Shakuhachi).

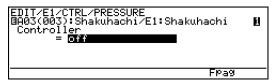
NOTES In the A06 Shakuhachi voice all controllers are turned "off", making it a rather dull voice from a musical standpoint. This voice has been provided specifically for use in the following experiments, and is not intended for music applications.

- 4. Press EDIT.
- **5.** Press the F2 (E1) function button to go to the element edit menu. If the display shown below doesn't appear, press the F1 (Ctrl) button.

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EDIT/E1
A06(006):Shakuhach2/E1:Shakuhachi U
{Controller}
$\mathcal{B}$ (6:Thguing @:Growl 13:Damping @:Growl 13:Damping @:Growl 13:Damping @:Fitch @:Shakuhach 11:D.Filtr @:Pitch @:Scream 11:D.Filtr @:Vibrato @:B.Noise 12:H.Enhnc @:Etrl Misc Modi Env S&R
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01: Pressure

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "01: Pressr" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the PRESSURE parameter display.



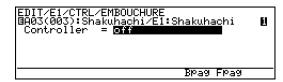
- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

In addition to volume, pressure affects the timbre of the sound.

- **6.** Press **DEC** once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 7. Press EXIT.

02: Embouchure

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "02: Embchr" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the EMBOUCHURE parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

Embouchure generally refers to the pressure of the player's lips on the reed or mouthpiece. In the case of the Shakuhachi voice, embouchure controls the size of the airstream entering the mouthpiece, resulting in variations in both pitch and timbre.

- **6.** Press **DEC** once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 7. Press [EXIT].

03: Pitch

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "03: Pitch" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the PITCH parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

This controller produces smooth changes in pitch corresponding to changes in the length of the instrument's pipe or string.

- **6.** Press **DEC** once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 7. Press EXIT.

04 : Vibrato

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "04: Vibrato" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the VIBRATO parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".

5. Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

The wheel controls the depth of the vibrato effect — a periodic variation in pitch and embouchure.

6. Press the F8 (Para) function button to go to the vibrato parameter page. The F8 (Para) function button becomes available whenever detailed parameters are available for the selected controller. You can return to the main controller page by pressing the F8 (Ctrl) function button in the parameter page.



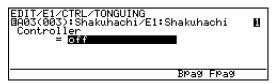
- **7.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Speed" parameter.
- **8.** Use the data dial to set the "Speed" parameter to about "45".
- **9.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard again. The vibrato speed should be noticeably slower.
- **10.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Dpth To Emb"
- **11.** Use the data dial to set the "Dpth To Emb" parameter to "0".
- **12.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Dpth To Ptch" parameter.
- **13.** Use the data dial to set the "Dpth To Ptch" parameter to "127".
- **14.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

Compared to the sound in step 6, which was mostly an embouchure variation, the effect now consists entirely of pitch variation. Exceptionally realistic vibrato effects can be created by carefully balancing the pitch and embouchure components of the effect.

- **15.** Press [F8] (Ctrl) to go back to the controller page.
- **16.** Press **DEC** once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 17. Press EXIT.

05: Tonguing

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "05: Triguing" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the TONGUING parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

Tonguing generally refers to the technique of controlling the reed with the tongue. The shakuhachi does not have a reed, but, with a VL instrument it becomes possible to apply tonguing effects to a shakuhachi voice. Tonguing produces variations in both volume and timbre.

- **6.** Press DEC once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 7. Press EXIT).

06 : Amplitude

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "06: Ampltd" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the AMPLITUDE parameter display.

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- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".

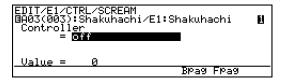
5. Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

Amplitude is purely a volume variation, with no effect on pitch or timbre.

- **6.** Press (DEC) once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 7. Press EXIT.

07: Scre<u>am</u>

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "07: Scream" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the SCREAM parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

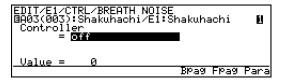
As its name implies, "scream" can produce some really wild variations.

- **6.** Press DEC once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 7. Press EXIT.

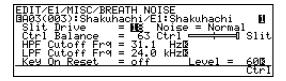
08 :

: Breath Noise

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "08: B.Noise" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the BREATH NOISE parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Press the F8 (Para) function button to go to the breath noise parameter page.



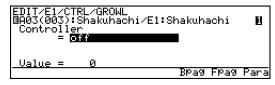
- **6.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Ctrl Balance" parameter.
- **7.** Use the data dial to set the "Ctrl Balance" parameter to "-64".
- **8.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

You should hear a corresponding variation in the amount of breath noise in the sound.

- **9.** When done, reset the "Ctrl Balance" parameter to "63".
- **10.** Press **F8** (Ctrl) to go back to the controller page.
- **11.** Press DEC once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 12. Press EXIT.

09 : Grow

- 1. Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "09: Growl" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the GROWL parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".

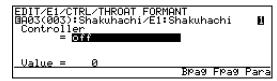
5. Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

Growl is basically a periodic pressure variation similar to the "growl" effect sax players often use. Growl produces variations in both volume and timbre.

- **6.** Press DEC once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 7. Press EXIT.

10 : Throat Formant

- 1. Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "10: Throat" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the THROAT FORMANT parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

The throat formant function corresponds to the resonance of the player's throat and lungs, and can produce large variations in the overall sound.

- **6.** Press DEC once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 7. Press EXIT.

11: Dynamic Filter.

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "11: D.Filtr" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the DYNAMIC FILTER parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Press the F8 (Para) function button to go to the dynamic filter parameter page.

- **6.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Cutoff Freq." parameter.
- **7.** Use the data dial to set the "Cutoff Freq." parameter to "-1.00 oct".
- **8.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

The effect you hear should be that of varying the cutoff frequency of a low-pass filter.

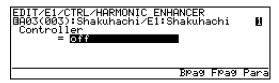
- **9.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Filter Mode" parameter.
- **10.** Press INC to set the "Filter Mode" parameter to "BPF".
- **11.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard again. Now you have a variable-frequency bandpass filter.
- **12.** Press **INC** again to set the "Filter Mode" parameter to "HPF".
- **13.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard again. This time you have a variable-frequency high-pass filter.

Use the DEC and INC buttons to select the various filter types and compare their sound.

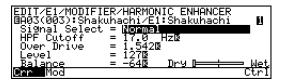
- **14.** When done set the "Filter Mode" to "LPF".
- **15.** Select the "Cutoff Freq." parameter and set it to "2.94 oct".
- **16.** Press **F8** (Ctrl) to go back to the controller page.
- **17.** Press **DEC** once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 18. Press EXIT.

12 : Harmonic Enhance<u>r</u>

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "12: H.Enhnc" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the HARMONIC ENHANCER parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Press the F8 (Para) function button to go to the harmonic enhancer parameter page.



- **6.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Balance" parameter.
- **7.** Use the data dial to set the "Balance" parameter to "63".
- **8.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

The harmonic enhancer works by varying the harmonic content of the sound.

- **9.** When done, reset the "Balance" parameter to "-64".
- **10.** Press F8 (Ctrl) to go back to the controller page.
- **11.** Press **DEC** once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 12. Press EXIT.

13 : Damping

Up to this point we've used the Shakuhachi voice. The "Damping" and "Absorption" functions which follow, however, are more easily understood by using a string instrument — we'll use an electric guitar voice.

VL1 Ver.2 & VL7 Ver.2 USERS! ■ Before beginning this experiment VL1 Ver.2 and VL7 Ver.2 users should turn modulation-wheel vibrato control "off" for this voice. Refer to the procedure outlined in "Changing Controller Functions" on page 59.

- 1. Press (PLAY).
- **2.** Select the A05 voice (ElecGtr).
- **3.** Press [EDIT].
- **4.** Press the F2 (E1 or EL) function button to go to the element edit menu. If necessary also press the F1 (Ctrl) button to call the controller menu.



NOTES ■ Steps 5 through 9, below, are not necessary on the VL1-m Ver.2. Simply use the cursor buttons to highlight the "13: Damping" item in the element edit display and press ENTER.

- **5.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "14: Absrptn" item in the element edit display.
- **6.** Press ENTER to go to the ABSORPTION parameter display.
- **7.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **8.** Rotate the data dial counter-clockwise to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- **9.** Press the F6 (Bpag) function button to go back to the DAMPING parameter display.
- **10.** Make sure that the "Controller" parameter is set to "Modulation Wheel". Since breath control is not assigned to any other function at this point, you can go right ahead and try out the damping function.

11. Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

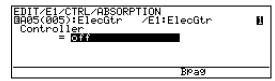
Note how damping changes the decay of the sound. With the wheel rolled all the way up there is no damping, while rolling the wheel all the way toward you produces maximum damping.

- **12.** Press **DEC** once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 13. Press EXIT.

14

: Absorption

- **1.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "14: Absrptn" item in the element edit display.
- **2.** Press ENTER to go to the ABSORPTION parameter display.



- **3.** If necessary, use the cursor buttons to highlight the current setting of the "Controller" parameter.
- **4.** Press INC once to set the "Controller" parameter to "Modulation Wheel".
- **5.** Try operating the modulation wheel (MW1) while playing the keyboard, and note how the sound changes.

Absorption simulates the high-frequency absorption which occurs at certain parts of the instrument and the player's body, producing a somewhat muted effect. With the wheel rolled all the way up there is no absorption, while rolling the wheel all the way toward you produces maximum absorption.

- **6.** Press **DEC** once to turn the "Controller" parameter "off".
- 7. Press EXIT.

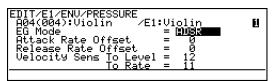


Each VL voice has preset pressure, embouchure, and other envelope settings that determine how the voice will respond to control on a time basis. For example, even though you might use a controller to apply maximum pressure right at the beginning of a note, the voice will actually respond more slowly, building up from minimum pressure to maximum over a time specified by its pressure envelope. This simulates the natural response of a brass instrument or string. The envelopes actually have several other time-based parameters that control the voice's response. In the following experiment we'll try adjusting the pressure envelope and see how it affects the sound.

- **1.** Disconnect the breath controller, foot controller, and footswitch. Just disconnect the breath controller from the VL1-m Ver.2.
- **2.** Press the PLAY button to engage the PLAY mode.
- **3.** Select the A04 voice "Violin".
- **4.** Press (EDIT) to go to the EDIT mode.
- **5.** Press the F2 (E1 or EL) function button to go to the element edit menu.
- **6.** Press [F4] (Env) to go to the envelope menu.



- **7.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "1: Pressure" item in the menu.
- **8.** Press ENTER to go to the PRESSURE envelope parameter page.



9. Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Attack Rate Offset" parameter.

10. Alternately use the data dial to change the setting of the "Attack Rate Offset" parameter and play the keyboard to hear how it affects the sound.

Note that as you increase the value the attack speed increases, while lower values produce a slower attack. with some voices keyboard velocity also affects the attack time. With this particular voice this effect becomes more obvious when the "Attack Rate Offset" parameter is set to a negative value. Sensitivity of the envelope to keyboard velocity is determined by the "Velocity Sens To Rate" parameter.

The Resonance-enhancing Modifiers

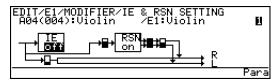
Here we'll experiment with two modifiers that can be used to simulate the resonance of a wind

or string instrument's body — the Impulse Expander and Resonator — using a violin voice

- **1.** Disconnect the breath controller, foot controller, and footswitch. Just disconnect the breath controller from the VL1-m Ver.2.
- **2.** Press the PLAY button to engage the PLAY mode.
- **3.** Select the A04 voice "Violin".
- **4.** Press **EDIT** to go to the EDIT mode.
- **5.** Press the F2 (E1 or EL) function button to go to the element edit menu.
- **6.** Press [F3] (Modi) to go to the modifier menu.



- 7. Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "5: IE & RSN Setting" item in the menu.
- **8.** Press ENTER to go to the IE & RSN SETTING page.



The "block" to the left of this display represents the Impulse Expander, and the block to the right is the Resonator. In this case the Impulse Expander is "off" and the Resonator is "on".

- **9.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "on" parameter in the Resonator block.
- **10.** Press **DEC** to turn the Resonator "off".
- **11.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "off" parameter in the Impulse Expander block.
- **12.** While playing the keyboard, use the INC and DEC buttons to turn the Impulse Expander "on" and "off" to hear how it affects the sound.

You should notice that when the Impulse Expander is

"on" the sound has a "metallic" resonance. The effect is most obvious on the attack and decay. The effect can be further emphasized by adjusting the modulation wheel (MW1) to add some vibrato.

Turn the Impulse Expander "off" and proceed.

- **13.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "off" parameter in the Resonator block.
- **14.** While playing the keyboard, use the INC and DEC buttons to turn the Resonator "on" and "off" to hear how it affects the sound.

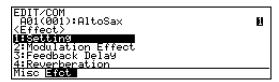
When the Resonator is "on" you should hear a resonance that is more "woody" than that produced by the Impulse Expander. The effect can be further emphasized by adjusting the modulation wheel (MW1) to add some vibrato.



Effects

Finally, lets use the Alto Sax voice to experiment with some of the VL effects.

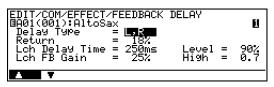
- **1.** Disconnect the breath controller, foot controller, and footswitch. Just disconnect the breath controller from the VL1-m Ver.2.
- **2.** Press the PLAY button to engage the PLAY mode.
- **3.** Select the "A1" voice.
- **4.** Press **EDIT** to go to the EDIT mode.
- **5.** Press the F1 (COM) function button to go to the common edit mode.
- **6.** Press F2 (Efct) to go to the effect menu.



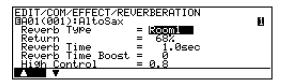
- **7.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "2: Modulation Effect" item in the menu.
- **8.** Press ENTER to go to the MODULATION EFFECT parameter page.

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EDIT/COM/EFFECT/MODULATION EFFECT
A01(001):AltoSax
Modulation Effect Type = Fich Change
Element on/off E1: on
Mode = Monaural
1 Pitch = 0 Fine = 2
1 Output = 80%
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- **9.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Modulation Effect Type" parameter.
- **10.** Press DEC to change "Pitch Change" to "Flanger".
- **11.** Play the keyboard to hear the Flanger effect.
- **12.** Press **EXIT** to return to the effect menu.
- **13.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "3: Feedback Delay" item in the menu.
- **14.** Press ENTER to go to the FEEDBACK DELAY parameter page.



- **15.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Return" parameter.
- **16.** Use the data dial to set the "Return" parameter to "90".
- **17.** Play the keyboard to hear the Feedback Delay effect.
- **18.** Press **EXIT** to return to the effect menu.
- **19.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "4: Reverberation" item in the menu.
- **20.** Press ENTER to go to the REVERBERATION parameter page.



- **21.** Use the cursor buttons to highlight the "Reverb Time" parameter.
- **22.** Use the data dial to set the "Reverb Time" parameter to "6.0 sec".
- **23.** Play the keyboard to hear the Reverberation effect.

Unlike external effect units, the VL effects can be individually specified for each voice so the appropriate effect is automatically recalled whenever a voice is selected.

Virtual Acoustic Synthesizer VL1 Version 2

Specifications

● Tone Generator

Туре	S/VA (Self-oscillating Virtual Acoustic Synthesis.
Modifiers	Harmonic Enhancer. Dynamic Filter (LPF, HPF, BPF, BEF, with resonance). Equalizer (5 bands with frequency, resonace, and boost/cut control). Impulse Expander. Resonator.
Effects	32-bit digital signal processor, stereo in/stereo out. Modulation effects (flanger, pitch change, distorion, chorus, phaser, symphonic, celeste, dist.+flanger, dist.+wah). Feed back delay (mono, L,R, L,C,R). Reverberation (hall1, hall2, room1, room2, studio, plate, space, reverse).
Play Mode	Voice mode only. Smallest tone generator units: elements. Voices use 1 or 2 elements. Voices are composed on "common data" and "element data".
Polyphony	2 notes max.
Assign Modes	Mono, Poly, Unison, Part

Memory

Internal	128 voices.
Disk	3.5" 2DD or 2HD floppy disk.

● Keyboard

Keys	49 (C scale, FS type)
Sensitivity	Velocity. Channel aftertouch.

Controllers

Master volume slider. Pitch bend wheel. Data entry dial.	Continuous sliders x 2. Modulation wheel x 2. LCD contrast control.	
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Panel Switches

Play (with LED).
Utility (with LED).
Copy.
Bank select x 8 (with LEDs).
Data entry x 2.
Function x 8.
Exit.

Edit (with LED).
Octave x 2 (with LEDs).
Store.
Program change x 16 (with LEDs).
Cursor x 4.
Enter.

Display

240 x 64 dot backlit liquid crystal display.

Connectors

Front Panel	Stereo headphones.	Breath controller.
Rear Panel	Output x 2 (L and R). Foot switch x 2. MIDI OUT.	Foot controller x 2. MIDI IN. MIDI THRU.

● Output Level

Line	$2.5~\pm 2$ dBm into 10 k Ω .
Headphones	7.5 ± 2 dBm into 150 Ω .

● Power Requirements

UL/CSA: 120V, 16W
Europe: 220-240V, 16W

General

Dimensions	914 (W) x 380 (D) x 105 (H) mm.
Weight	12.5 kg

Accessories

Power cable. FC7 Foot Controller. Owners manuals x 5.	BC2 Breath Controller. Floppy disk x 2. Version 2 sticker.	

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Virtual Acoustic Tone Generator VL1-m Version 2

Specifications

● Tone Generator

Туре	S/VA (Self-oscillating Virtual Acoustic Synthesis).
Modifiers	Harmonic Enhancer. Dynamic Filter (LPF, HPF, BPF, BEF, with resonance). Equalizer (5 bands with frequency, resonace, and boost/cut control). Impulse Expander. Resonator.
Effects	32-bit digital signal processor, stereo in/stereo out. Modulation effects (flanger, pitch change, distorion, chorus, phaser, symphonic, celeste, dist.+flanger, dist.+wah). Feed back delay (mono, L,R, L,C,R). Reverberation (hall1, hall2, room1, room2, studio, plate, space, reverse).
Play Mode	Voice mode only. Smallest tone generator units: elements. Voices use 1 or 2 elements. Voices are composed on "common data" and "element data".
Polyphony	2 notes max.
Assign Modes	Mono, Poly, Unison, Part

Memory

Internal	128 voices.
Disk	3.5" 2DD or 2HD floppy disk.

Controls

Master volume. LCD contrast control. Data entry dial.

Panel Switches

Play (with LED). Utility (with LED).	Edit (with LED).
Copy.	Store.
Data entry x 2. Function x 8.	Cursor x 4.
Exit.	Enter/Sound.

Display

240 x 64 dot backlit liquid crystal display.
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Connectors

Front Panel	Stereo headphones.	Breath controller.
Rear Panel	Output x 2 (L and R). MIDI OUT.	MIDI IN. MIDI THRU.

● Output Level

Line	$2.5~\pm 2$ dBm into 10 k Ω .
Headphones	2.0 ± 2 dBm into 33 Ω .

● Power Requirements

UL/CSA: 120V, 16W Europe: 220-240V, 16W
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General

Dimensions	480 (W) x 361 (D) x 132 (H) mm.
Weight	7.5 kg

Accessories

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Virtual Acoustic Synthesizer VL7 Version 2

Specifications

● Tone Generator

Туре	S/VA (Self-oscillating Virtual Acoustic Synthesis), monophonic.
Modifiers	Harmonic Enhancer. Dynamic Filter (LPF, HPF, BPF, BEF, with resonance). Equalizer (5 bands with frequency, resonace, and boost/cut control). Impulse Expander. Resonator.
Effects	32-bit digital signal processor, stereo in/stereo out. Modulation effects (flanger, pitch change, distorion, chorus, phaser, symphonic, celeste, dist.+flanger, dist.+wah). Feed back delay (mono, L,R, L,C,R). Reverberation (hall1, hall2, room1, room2, studio, plate, space, reverse).
Play Mode	Voice mode only. Smallest tone generator unit: element. Voices use element. Voices are composed on "common data" and "element data".
Polyphony	1 note.

Memory

Internal	64 voices.
Disk	3.5" 2DD or 2HD floppy disk.

● Keyboard

Keys	49 (C scale, FS type)
Sensitivity	Velocity. Channel aftertouch.

Controllers

Master volume slider. Pitch bend wheel. Data entry dial.	Continuous sliders x 2. Modulation wheel x 2. LCD contrast control.	

Panel Switches

Play (with LED).

Utility (with LED).
Copy.

Bank select x 4 (with LEDs).
Data entry x 2.
Function x 8.
Exit.

Edit (with LED).
Octave x 2 (with LEDs).
Store.
Program change x 16 (with LEDs).
Cursor x 4.
Enter.

Display

240 x 64 dot backlit liquid crystal display.

Connectors

Front Panel	Stereo headphones.	Breath controller.
Rear Panel	Output x 2 (L and R). Foot switch x 2. MIDI OUT.	Foot controller x 2. MIDI IN. MIDI THRU.

● Output Level

Line	2.5 ± 2 dBm into 10 k Ω .
Headphones	2.0 ± 2 dBm into 33 Ω .

● Power Requirements

UL/CSA: 120V, 16W
Europe: 220-240V, 16W

General

Dimensions	914 (W) x 380 (D) x 105 (H) mm.
Weight	12.3 kg

Accessories

Power cable. FC7 Foot Controller. Owners manuals x 5.	BC2 Breath Controller. Floppy disk x 2. Version 2 sticker.	

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