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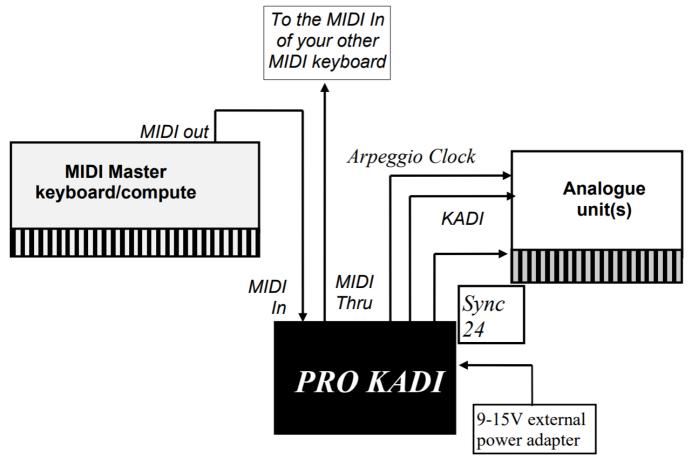
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### INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your purchase. The PRO KADI is a high specification, fully configurable MIDI data to trigger

unit, capable of outputting up to 13 TTL triggers. This gives it a wide range of uses, not all of which can be detailed here. However please take some time out to read through all the manual to avoid any operational difficulties.

#### **CONNECTIONS**



#### MIDI In

Plug your MIDI keyboard or sequencer's MIDI Out into here.

#### **MIDI Thru**

Plug this into the MIDI In of another piece of your MIDI equipment should it be necessary.

### SYNC 24

Plug this into the Sync 24 input of any analogue device (synthesizer or drum machine) with that capability.

### **KADI/TRIG Output**

Plug this into the appropriate input on your analogue unit (either a Kenton KADI port or similar socket). This transmits trigger/note information.

# **CLOCK Out**

Plug this into your synth's input marked ARP CLOCK, this controls the speed of the arpeggio clock, and syncs it to MIDI clock. This can also be used to sync drum machines which have a clock input.

#### 9-15V DC

Plug your power adaptor (not supplied) into here. The converter will take an adapter with a range of 9-15V. We recommend the Kenton power supply which is made especially for the PRO-KADI but any plug-top supply can be used as long as the output is regulated and is in this voltage range. Do not use any adaptor which has an output voltage of higher than 15v. The PRO-KADI must not share a power adaptor with any other device of any kind as this may damage your unit.

#### **EDITING THE PRO KADI**

### **Switching On**

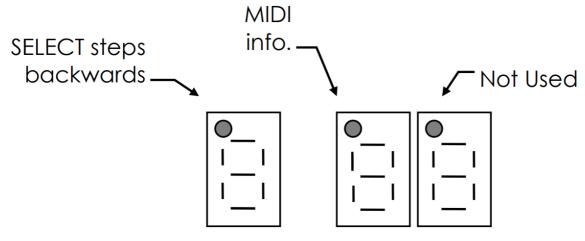
When the PRO KADI is switched on, the words KENTON PRO KADI scroll across the display.

### The Display

There are 3 digits on the 7-segment display. The 1st digit shows which parameter is ready for editing.

The right-hand, 2nd & 3rd digits will then display what the value of the parameter is.

There are also 2 red dots which you may see appear. The 1st dot when lit indicates the **SELECT** button is in reverse operation (see below), the right dot when MIDI, information is being received on the selected channel. The dot on the far right is not utilised by this unit.



### Stepping through parameters

Each parameter is accessed using the **SELECT** button. There are 14 parameters in the menu, listed in the next section `Parameters`.

Press the **SELECT** button to get to the parameter in question, then use the INCrement (+) and DECrement (-) buttons to edit the value.

If you press and hold the **SELECT** button for more than 1 second, you can step through the parameters in the opposite direction. A red **LED** dot will light up to indicate this. If the **SELECT** button is pressed and held for 1 second again, the direction will return to normal and the red **LED** dot will disappear.

### Displaying values above 99

When displaying values from 0 to 99, you will see the digits as you would expect.

When displaying values above 99, the following format is used:-

a dash " - " at the bottom of the left-hand display = 100+

a dash " - " in the middle of the left-hand display = 110+

a dash " - " at the top of the left-hand display = 120+

No values above 129 are used.

### Speeding up editing

If you press and hold the INC key, then also hold the DEC key, the value will increase faster. If you press and hold the DEC key then also hold the INC key, the value will decrease faster.

### **Storing Set-ups**

The set-ups can be stored in non-volatile memory. To do this, press & hold the SELECT button (for approx. 6 seconds) till the display reads `st`(store).

#### **PARAMETERS**

Below is a list of parameters available to edit. The letters in square brackets show (where relevant) what will be displayed in the parameter 7-segment LED.

# Menu

#### number Parameter (default)

0 MIDI receive channel (default: 1)

Range 1 to 16 (and off)

- Sets the MIDI receive channel.

Range 1 to 127 (and off)

#### defaults are as follows:

- 1. Note Number Voice #1 (default 36)
- 2. Note Number Voice #2 (default 37)
- 3. Note Number Voice #3 (default 38)
- 4. Note Number Voice #4 (default 39)
- 5. Note Number Voice #5 (default 40)
- 6. Note Number Voice #6 (default 41)
- 7. Note Number Voice #7 (default 42)
- 8. Note Number Voice #8 (default 43)
- 9. Note Number Voice #9 (default 44)
- a Note Number Voice #10 (default 45)
- **b** Note Number Voice #11 (default 46)
- C Note Number Voice #12 (default 47)
- **D** Note Number Voice #13 (default 48)

#### E Accent Threshold (default: 70)

- range 0 to 127
- sets the velocity threshold for accent on/off.

# F Trigger Pulse Length (default: 8ms)

- range 1 to 129
- sets the length of the trigger pulse in milliseconds. setting the unit to 129 gives a pulse of 250ms.

### G Mode Select (default: Kadi)

- selects the operation mode for the unit, options are:

Kadi [kA] - for use with Kenton Kadi modified drum machines.

Wasp [W] - for EDP wasp, (lead available from Kenton).

Note [nt] - Sends a trigger which remains on while the note is depressed.

Inv. Note [n-] - Sends a trigger as above, which is high when off and ground when on.

Trig [tr] - Sends a trigger pulse, the length of which is defined by parameter 'f'.

Inv. Trig [t-] - Sends a trigger as above, which is high when off and ground when on.

**Prog** [pg] – As note mode but responds to program changes rather than note numbers.

Matrix [M] - Legacy mode for a specific past application, please ignore.

Servo [Sn] - Servo motor mode - notes

Servo [Sc] - Servo motor mode - controllers

# H Clock Pulse Divide Ratio (values d2, d4 & 2 to 24, default:2)

- sets the ratio of MIDI clocks to output pulses from the clock pulse output.

d2 - special drum machine mode - outputs 24 cpqn - used for many drum machines

d4 – special drum machine mode – outputs 48 cpqn – for Linn & Oberheim drum machines N.B. Some drum machines use other values e.g. the Roland CR78 uses 12 cpqn (div ratio 2) If set to 2, there will 12 pulses from the clock pulse output for every 24 MIDI clocks = 12 cpqn If set to 24, there will be 1 pulse from the clock pulse output for every 24 MIDI clocks = 1 cpqn (Note there are 24 MIDI clocks per quarter note)

Below is a table of values you can set the divide ratio to in order to obtain a clock pulse at various musical time intervals: –

Note type Divide ratio CPQN (clocks per quarter note)

Crotchets (quarter notes) 24 1 Crotchet triplets 16 Quavers (eighth notes) 12 2 Quaver triplets 8 Semiquavers (sixteenths) 6 4 Semiquaver triplets 4 6 Demisemiquavers 3 8 Demisemiquaver triplets 2 12

### I Clock Polarity(values +ve / -ve, default: Positive)

sets whether the clock pulse train starts with a positive going edge or a negative going edge.
 Most synths / sequencers & drum machines will want the Positive edge, but a few require the Negative edge instead. (e.g. Korg Monopoly)

#### J Continue = start – (values on, off, default = off)

- when set to off, MIDI continue messages are ignored. If set to on, then continue messages are treated as if they were MIDI start messages.

### MIDI ANALYSER MODE

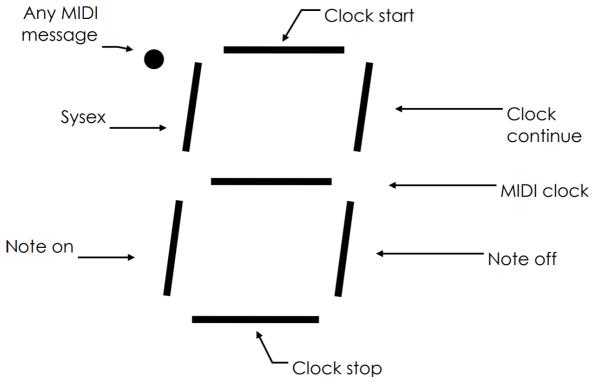
The PRO KADI also has a MIDI analyser function. This feature allows you to see what types of **MIDI** messages are being transmitted by your master keyboard/sequencer making the PRO **KADI** a useful diagnostic tool. To enter analyser mode, you must power on the PRO KADI whilst holding the **SELECT** button. The display will then show 'nt'. 'nt' means the display will show the **MIDI** note number of any notes it receives. Using the **INC**, **DEC**, and **SELECT** buttons, different types of MIDI messages received may be displayed;

SELECT Short press [rC] Receive channel Long press [PC] Program change
DEC Short press [nt] Note number
Long press [nv] Velocity
INC Short press [Cn] Controller number
Long press [Cv] Controller value

For whichever of the above selected, the PRO KADI will display the value it receives for the message selected. Although pitch bend and after-touch are not controllers, when Controller number is selected, 'pb' will be displayed if pitchblende is received, & 'af' will be displayed if after-touch is received.

If Controller values is selected, and pitchblende or after-touch are received, their values will be displayed. For values over 99 the usual method is employed for displaying large numbers.

The MENU 7-segment LED in this mode operates as a received MIDI message indicator. LED's will flash when then following types of messages are received; Note on, Note off, Sysex, Timing clock (MIDI clock), Start, Stop, Continue.



To exit MIDI analyser mode, the PRO KADI must be powered off then on again.

### **USING THE UNIT IN WASP MODE**

The Wasp responds to 3 octaves of notes only – on a DX7 or other 61 note keyboard, this corresponds to bottom C# to C three octaves above. The Wasp does not respond to pitchblende – or indeed any other controls except sustain pedal, which will hold the current note. The above limitations are design limitations of the Wasp itself. NB The Pro-KADI can also be used with the Wasp Deluxe and Gnat synthesizers.

### CHECK LIST FOR SETTING UP THE PRO KADI

- 1. Make sure all cable connections have been made.
- 2. Set MIDI receive channel you wish to use.
- 3. Make sure you have set the Mode Select parameter correctly assigned (see parameter section page 5)
- 4. Make sure that if you are using Sync 24, that you are not using MIDI cables, but 5 pin DIN cables, with all pins connected
- 5. If you are still having problems, put the PRO-KADI into MIDI analyser mode, to make sure that the unit is receiving all the right data

### PROBLEMS YOU MAY ENCOUNTER WHEN USING MIDI CLOCK

When using the MIDI clock in conjunction with the PRO-KADI please note the following. The Kenton clock outputs cannot sync if it is not actually receiving the MIDI clock this is not as silly as it sounds, there are a few points to watch for: –

Some MIDI mergers & patch bays actually remove MIDI clock information from the MIDI data stream or you may have to enable it for the port you are using.

Users of CUBASE note that the default for MIDI clock is for it NOT to be sent, you will have to go into MIDI Synchronization page and select MIDI Clock to transmit.

Users of UNITOR/EXPORT on an Atari note that the MIDI clock will only come out of port A, (that is the Atari's own MIDI port), unless you can re-assign it.

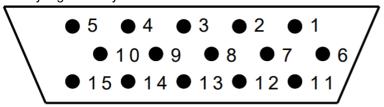
#### SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

There are many possible uses for the Pro-KADI, not all of which are detailed in this manual. However, if you have a particular requirement please contact us. Alternative software configurations are available for this unit, and we may be able to help you.

### PIN OUTS FOR WASP AND KADI CABLES

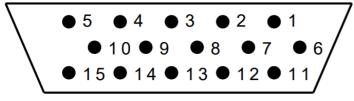
### Wasp/KADI Output – connector (Pro-KADI)

15 way high density D socket



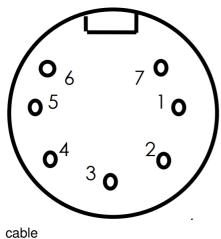
- 1. Trigger 1
- 2. Trigger 2
- 3. Trigger 3
- 4. Trigger 4
- 5. Trigger 5
- 6. Trigger 6
- 7. Trigger 7
- 8. Trigger 8
- 9. Trigger 9
- 10. Trigger 10
- 11. 11- Trigger 11
- 12. Trigger 12
- 13. Trigger
- 14. -+5 volts
- 15. Ground

# Wasp connector (Synth)



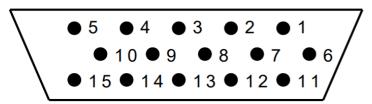
7 pin DIN plug (viewed from terminals).

- 1. Kybd Data (least significant bit) (0)
- 2. Kybd Data (Next significant bit) (1)
- 3. Kybd Data (Next significant bit) (2)
- 4. Kybd Data (Next significant bit) (3)
- 5. Kybd Data (Next significant bit) (4)
- 6. Kybd Data (Most significant bit) (5)
- 7. Note on trigger



screen all other wires number in brackets refers to pin # at PRO-KADI end of

# **KADI connector (Drum Machine)**



15 way high density D plug (viewed from terminals).

- 1. Trigger 1
- 2. Trigger 2
- 3. Trigger 3
- 4. Trigger 4
- 5. Trigger 5
- 6. Trigger 6
- 7. Trigger 7
- 8. Trigger 8
- 9. Trigger 9
- 10. Trigger 10
- 11. 11- Trigger 11
- 12. Trigger 12
- 13. Trigger
- 14. -+5 volts
- 15. Ground

### **CONTROLLER NUMBERS**

### **Controller Number Control Function**

#### **Decimal Hex**

- 1. 0 00H Bank switch MSB
  - 1 01H Modulation wheel/lever
  - 2 02H Breath controller

- 3 03H Undefined
- 4 04H Foot controller
- 5 05H Portamento time
- 6 06H Data entry MSB
- 7 07H Main volume
- 8 08H Balance
- 9 09H Undefined
- 10 0AH Pan
- 11 0BH Expression controller
- 12-15 0C-0FH Undefined
- 16-19 10-13H General purpose controllers (1-4)
- 20-31 14-1FH Undefined
- 32-63 20-3FH LSB for values 0-31
- 64 40H Damper pedal (sustain)
- 65 41H Portamento
- 66 42H Sostenuto
- 67 43H Soft pedal
- 68 44H Undefined
- 69 45H Hold 2
- 70-79 46-4FH Undefined
- 80-83 50-53H General purpose controllers (5-8)
- 84-90 54-5AH Undefined
- 91 5BH External effects depth
- 92 5CH Tremolo depth
- 93 5DH Chorus depth
- 94 5EH Celeste (detune) depth
- 95 5FH Phaser depth
- 96 60H Data increment
- 97 61H Data decrement
- 98 62H Non-registered parameter number LSB
- 99 63H Non-registered parameter number MSB
- 100 64H Registered parameter number LSB
- 101 65H Registered parameter number MSB
- 102-120 66-78H Undefined
- 121-127 79-7FH Reserved for channel mode messages

### RESETTING THE PRO KADI TO FACTORY DEFAULTS

Turning the PRO KADI on whilst holding down all three push buttons will return the unit's settings to default values. `Fd` will momentarily be displayed when this has been done.

#### **DISPLAYING THE SOFTWARE VERSION**

Power on the PRO KADI whilst holding the INC and DEC buttons pressed and the software revision [43xx] and build number [00xx] will be displayed. Releasing the buttons will revert to the normal operational mode.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Power Input 9-15V DC (power adaptor supplied)
Power 100mA, 2.1mm plug (centre positive)
MIDI In, Thru
Digital output KADI / 13 Triggers
Analogue outputs Clock (0-5v)
Sync 24 on 5 pin DIN socket
Weight 600g
Dimensions 167 x 97 x 40 mm
Non-volatile memory EEPROM (no back-up battery required)

### **WARRANTY**

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