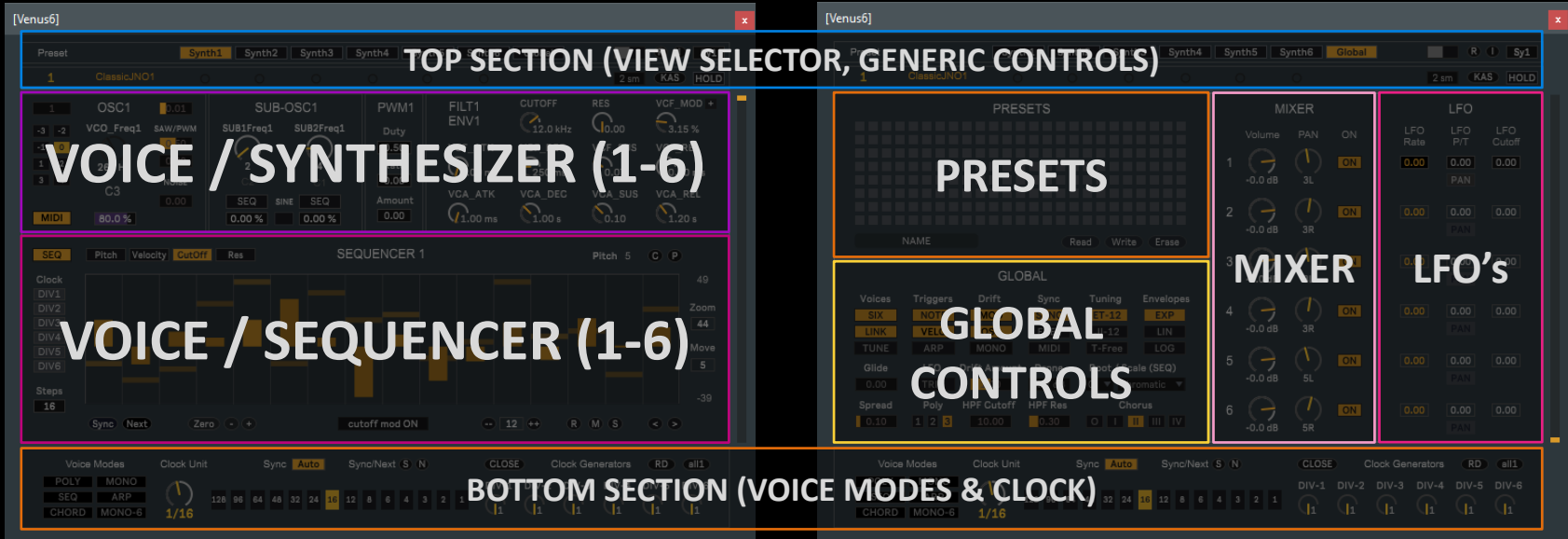


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(Overview User interface)



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(Synthesizers & Sequencers)

[Page Selector]: Select the element shown (either Synth 1 to 6 or the Global Settings page)

[Preset]: Changes the preset number and name

[Stack Voices] If in monosynth mode, stack voices
 [Detune Voices] If in monosynth mode, detune voices
 [Transpose]: Input MIDI octave up/down
 [SEQ]: Define if pitch information from the sequencer is sent to the oscillator or not
 [MIDI]: Define if the oscillator follows MIDI input or not. If enabled MIDI transposes the sequencer pitch.
 [VCO Freq]: Set the frequency of the oscillator (if MIDI is disabled for this oscillator).
 [VCO Level]: Set the main oscillator level
 [SAW Level]: Set the SAW component level
 [PWM Level]: Set the PWM component level
 [Noise Level]: Set the Noise component level

[SEQ View] Define which sequence view is selected. In *Pitch* view note values are shown on a piano roll. You can click to program a step. Double clicking mutes a step (velocity set to zero). In *Velocity* view you define the velocity for each step. In *Cutoff* and *Res* views you define the modulation (bipolar) for Cutoff and Resonance of the filter. You need to enable it with cutoff/res mod ON/off selector.
 [Clock DivX] If a DivX toggle is enabled clocking from clock X is sent to the sequencer. More dividers/clocks can be enabled at the same time.
 [Steps] Define the step number (1-64). In combination with clock divisions, this allows both polymetric and polyrhythmic sequencing.
 [Sync] Align the first step to the bar tempo start
 [Next] Shift playback of one step (forward)
 [Zero] Reset the sequence to zero values
 [+/-] Increase/decrease values in the view of one unit

[Macro Configuration] Macro selectors for setting combinations, such as Polysynth, Monosynth, Sequencer (independent synths), Arpeggiator or Chord triggering (multi voice). This is a macro which configures multiple parameters.

[Sub1Freq] Set the sub-harmonic ratio of Sub-OSC1
 [Sub2Freq] Set the sub-harmonic ratio of Sub-OSC2
 [SEQ-Sub1]: Define if pitch information from the sequencer is sent to the the Sub1Freq ratio or not
 [SEQ-Sub2]: Define if pitch information from the sequencer is sent to the the Sub2Freq ratio or not
 [Sub1 Level]: Set the level of Sub1
 [Sub2 Level]: Set the level of Sub2
 [Sine Level]: Set the Sine-sub level (tuned as Sub1)

[PWM Duty] Set the PWM Duty time
 [PWM Rate] Set the Rate of the internal PWM LFO (Hz)
 [PWM Amount] Amount of LFO modulation to the Duty time

[Output Level] The slider sets the overall output level (after the mixer)
 [R] Randomize the synthesizer(s) oscillator, filter, LFO and envelope settings
 [I] Initialize the synthesizer(s) oscillator, filter, LFO and envelope settings
 [SyX] Midi-mappable Page Selector
 [Bend Range] Bend range in semitones (up and down)
 [KAS] "Kill All Sound" (e.g. swapping presets with envelopes still open)
 [HOLD] Hold MIDI input after note off (for ARP / arpeggiator use)

[Voice Trigger] which voice (1 to 6) has been triggered



[Cutoff]: Cutoff value for the filter
 [Resonance]: Resonance value for the filter
 [VCF Mod]: Amount of cutoff modulation (VCF ENV)
 [VCF Atk]: Attack time for the VCF ENV
 [VCF Dec]: Decay time for the VCF ENV
 [VCF Sus]: Sustain level for the VCF ENV
 [VCF Rel]: Release time for the VCF ENV
 [VCA Atk]: Attack time for the VCA ENV
 [VCA Dec]: Decay time for the VCA ENV
 [VCA Sus]: Sustain level for the VCA ENV
 [VCA Rel]: Release time for the VCA ENV
 [VCF Mod Sign] Sign of the VCF modulation

[Pitch]: Shows the step pitch value (mouseover)
 [C/P] Copy&Paste for sequencers (all layers). The operation works between sequencers as well.
 [Zoom/Move] Zoom in the view and Move up/down [--/++] Increase/decrease values of a number of units defined by the Shift Vertical Range
 [Shift Vertical Range] Amount for [--/++] operations
 [R] Randomize the values (within the range)
 [M] Mix-up the sequence (random order, same values)
 [S] Sort the sequence (ordering of the same values)
 [</>] Shift Left/Right (of one step)

[Clock Unit] the clock unit (time interval for step triggering). In Sync Mode = SYNC expressed in note lengths, in Sync Mode = Free in ms of time.
 [Sync Auto] Enable auto sync if the clock unit or any clock division has been changed, re-aligning the sequencers. If disabled changes are applied free of sync.
 [Sync All (S)] Re-align manually all sequencers to the tempo
 [Next All (S)] Shift the clock of all sequencers one step forward
 [Clock Unit Jump] Macro for setting the clock unit to a value
 [Notes] is a macro which defines how many notes will be repeated.
 [Octaves] is a macro which defines over how many octaves to repeat.
 [ARPTyp] is a macro for the type of arpeggio.
 [A] Apply the arp on the sequencer based on [Notes] & [Octaves]
 [I] Restores the default number of steps (16),

[Clock Division 1] clock divider 1. Sends a clock pulse at a division of the time (e.g. a setting of 4 means "1 out of 4")
 [Clock Division 2] clock divider 2.
 [Clock Division 3] clock divider 3.
 [Clock Division 4] clock divider 4.
 [Clock Division 5] clock divider 5.
 [Clock Division 6] clock divider 6.
 [RD] Randomize all clock dividers
 [all1] Set all clock dividers to 1 ("1 out of 1")
 [Close] Close all DivX gates, on all sequences

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(Global Settings)

[Presets]: Each slot represents a preset.

- Click *load* to a preset (if present)
- SHIFT+ Click to *save* a preset
- SHIFT+{ALT|OPTION}+Click to *delete* a preset

[Read]: import a preset bank from a file

[Write]: export a preset bank to a file

[Erase]: clear the preset bank (on the device)

Note: preset banks save the entire preset area and must use the ".maxpresets" file extension

[SIX/ONE]: Define if to send the oscillator signal to separate voices (with independent filters, envelopes, LFO's) or to sum them in a single voice.

[LINK] Link the controls of all voices to voice-1. In a polysynth setup all six voices run in parallel (with own FLT&ENV) but have their controls "linked" (changing the filter cutoff on voice-1 changes ALL filters cutoff). With "LINK" set off voices have their own controls.

[TUNE] Tune defines if oscillators are tuned separately (by MIDI or internal VCO Freq) or tuned as a factor of voice-1 VCO Freq (MIDI or internal)

[NOTE]: Define if MIDI input triggers the envelopes. If set on, the synthesizer is playable from MIDI input, if not it responds only to internal sequencing.

[VELO]: Define if MIDI input velocity is used or only the internal sequencer velocity is applied.

[ARP]: Define if input MIDI is "clustered" (e.g. taking care of input chords - and sorted, in typical arpeggio fashion) or not. Use [HOLD] to hold the input.

[MOD Drift]: Define independent drifting is applied to the envelopes of the voices or not.

[OSC Drift]: Define independent drifting is applied to the oscillators or not.

[MONO] plays monophonically and re-triggers envelopes in legato.

[ET-12]: Use Equal Temperament for tuning intervals.

[JI-12]: Use Just Intonation for tuning intervals.

[Free Tuning]: Tune only using VCO Freq, unquantized.

[EXP ENV] Use Exponential curves on envelopes

[LIN ENV] Use Linear curves on envelopes

[LOG ENV] Use Logarithmic curves on envelopes

The screenshot shows the Venus6 software interface with several panels highlighted by colored boxes and lines pointing to descriptive text. The 'PRESETS' panel shows a grid of preset slots. The 'GLOBAL' panel includes sections for 'Voices' (SIX, ONE, LINK, TUNE), 'Triggers' (NOTE, VELO, ARP), 'Drift' (MOD, OSC, MONO), 'Sync' (SYNC, FREE, MIDI), 'Tuning' (ET-12, JI-12, T-Free), and 'Envelopes' (EXP, LIN, LOG). It also has 'Glide', 'LFO TRIG', 'Drift Amount', 'Drone', 'Spread', 'Poly', 'HPF Cutoff', 'HPF Res', and 'Root / Scale (SEQ)' settings. The 'MIXER' panel shows six voices with Volume, PAN, and ON controls. The 'LFO' panel shows LFO Rate, P/T, and Cutoff for each voice. The bottom panel shows 'Voice Modes' (POLY, MONO, SEQ, CHORD), 'Clock Unit' (1/16), 'Sync' (Auto), 'SyncNext', 'S', 'N', 'CLOSE', 'Clock Generators', and 'RD'.

[Volume] / [PAN] / [ON]: for each of the six voices define volume (output level), panning (left/right amount) and if the voice is sent or not to the output.

[Rate LFO] / [PAN LFO] / [Cutoff LFO]: for each of the six voices a dedicated LFO is available. Each LFO has its own independent rate and send amount to the PAN and to the Cutoff (bidirectional modulation)

[Root] / [Scale]: Apply a filter to the sequencers output, so that pitch is constrained to a specific musical scale. This not only applies to sequencing but also to Chord and ARP operations (both are based on the internal sequencer for triggers and intervals).

[Chorus] Apply a stereo chorus to the output stage.

Five settings are available:

O (OFF) for no Chorus (dry output)

I (1) for a mild stereo chorus

II (2) for a wide stereo chorus

III (3) for a mild mono chorus with inverted R/LFO phase

IV (4) for a wide mono chorus with inverted R/LFO phase

[Glide]: Define how pitch (VCO frequency) changes are applied. With Glide = 0ms, changes are immediate. With Glide > 0 ms the frequency is moved sliding values.

[LFO TRIG]: Define if the voice LFO's (for PAN and Cutoff modulations) are restarted by voice triggering

[Drift Amount] Define how much drifting is applied to MOD and OSC components

[Drone] Add a drone component to the VCA envelopes

[Spread] Macro for spreading the panning of the six voices (applies only if SIX voices are in use)

[Poly] Define how the voice rotation is applied when handling polyphonic MIDI

Poly-1 uses randomization and rotation, spreading voices as much as possible. May cut hold notes though

Poly-2 uses static assignment (no rotation) and is normally optimal for sequencing and arpeggio modes.

Poly-3 uses alternation (but not randomization) so it keeps hold notes playing (fixed assignments while notes are hold),

[HPF Cutoff] / [HPF Res] a high pass single filter (applied after the mixer), with controls for cutoff and resonance

