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**Pitch**

Pitch is how a person perceives the frequency of a vibration. Every person perceives pitch differently and some have a better sense of pitch than others. Sound can generally be categorized as pitched or un-pitched.

**Pitch vs. Frequency**

Frequency and pitch are similar, but not the same! Frequency can be measured scientifically, while pitch is dependent on individual perception. You can distinguish pitches as being “higher” or “lower.”

**Amplitude**

Amplitude relates to the change in the peaks of waveforms and is perceived as the loudness of a sound. The higher the amplitude of a waveform, the louder it sounds.

**Timbre**

Timbre (pronounced tam-ber) is what differentiates sounds of the same pitch. It is what makes a violin and a flute sound different… or your friends’ voices!
Korg’s MS-20 synthesizer, first introduced in 1978, is still a coveted instrument to this day; thanks to its thick, robust sound, its powerful, iconic analog filter, and its versatile patching options. Today, the sounds of the MS-20 have been reborn as the MS-20 Mini.

**HISTORY OF THE SYNTH**

**50s**
- Theremin - first electronic musical instrument.

**60s**
- Robert Moog and Don Buchla began producing the first commercial musical synthesizers.

**70s**
- Switched on Bach see pg 18
- KORG MS-20 introduced.
- Sounds were created digitally. Most famous was the Yamaha DX7, which used FM synthesis.
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- LittleBits x Korg launch modular synth kit!

**80s**
- Film score for Forbidden Planet see pg 23
- KORG MS-20 modular synth kit!

**90s**
- Theremin - first electronic musical instrument.

**00s**
- Ryan A. Hinton

**Now**
- Controllers (keyboards)
- Signal generators
- Modifiers
This power module lets you use a 9-volt battery to supply electricity to your other Bits modules. Snap in the battery + cable (both included) and flip the switch to turn it on.
The random module has two modes: “noise” and “random voltage”. In “noise” mode, it outputs white noise, like a television set not tuned to any channel. In “random voltage” mode, it outputs random voltage signals that can control oscillators and make them play random pitches. The “trigger out” of the microsequencer can be used to set the timing of the random voltages.

**SIGNAL GENERATORS**

In a synthesizer, these elements are known as signal generators and can be either pitched or unpitched. In the Synth Kit, you have both (oscillator & random). These are the modules that actually produce the sound.

**ELEMENTS OF A SYNTH**

**OScILLATOR i31**

The oscillator is the main sound source in the Synth Kit and is capable of creating audio tones that will be used in almost every sound experiment you create. It features a “pitch” knob to adjust its output tone and a “tune” dial for adjusting the tuning (learn about tuning on pg 21) when using with the keyboard. It also features a mode switch that selects between “square” and “saw” waveforms. The “square” waveform has a rich, powerful character, and the “saw” waveform has a more mellow, rounder character.

**RANDOM i34**

Try both modes!

Twist to change pitch!
The micro sequencer sends out voltages based on the position of each of the four "step" knobs. Connect it to an oscillator and it will step through the "sequence" consecutively to make a melody (the LEDs tell you which step is active). Turn a knob fully counterclockwise to make the step silent. Use the module in "speed" mode to set the speed using the dial, or flip the switch to "step" mode to use an input module like a pulse or button for control. It also has a trigger output, which you can send to any of your other modules.

The keyboard lets you play melodies – it features 13 switches that make up an octave of notes. It has two modes: "press" (which only produces output when you press a switch) and "hold" (which will sustain the last note you played). It also features an octave control which changes the playable range. In addition to its main output, which is great for controlling our oscillators, it also has a "trigger out", which you can send to the "trigger in" of the envelope or other littleBits modules.

### ELEMENTS OF A SYNTH

Controllers do exactly what it sounds like they do; they control elements of a synthesizer. Sometimes controllers are familiar like a keyboard and some are lesser known like a sequencer. The Synth Kit has both!

Controllers can come in the form of control voltages or triggers. A control voltage is usually a changing signal that is often used to control the pitch of an oscillator. A trigger is a short voltage pulse that is commonly used to trigger or "turn on" other parts of circuits. Triggers are also good at generating rhythmic patterns.

To see how triggers are used, go to page 24 for the Percussion Party project.
The envelope modifies the loudness contour of a sound. It takes a sound input and shapes it into something you’d hear from an acoustic musical instrument, like a piano or saxophone. This envelope has two controls: “attack”, which is how long it takes to ramp up to maximum volume, and “decay”, which is how long it takes to fade to silence again. You can use its third bitSnap™ to trigger the envelope from different sources, like the keyboard.

**MODULATORS**

Modulators are elements of a synthesizer that alter the main audio signal with another signal. In the synth Kit, they are the oscillator, envelope and random modules.

Even though the oscillator is a signal generator, it can also be used as a modulator. You can turn the pitch knob fully counterclockwise to produce frequencies low enough to control other modules.

When the random module is in “random voltages” mode, it is also a modulator.

**FILTER i32**

The filter has the biggest effect on the sound’s character or “timbre”. It affects the timbre by changing the relative volume of certain frequencies in the sound. Use it to give the impression that a sound is “brighter” (more high frequencies) or “darker” (more low frequencies.) The “cutoff” knob sets the frequency to be emphasized, and the other controls “peak,” or intensity of the filter. If the “peak” knob is turned up all the way, the filter turns into an oscillator!
The delay module takes incoming audio and repeats it, like an echo. It has two knobs: “time”, which sets the delay length between a sound and its repetition, and “feedback”, which controls how many times the sound repeats. Delays can be long and spacey, like shouting into the Grand Canyon, or loud and crazy. This module will play forever if you turn the “feedback” knob all the way up. You can also shift the pitch of a sound by turning the “time” control while a sound is repeating.

The mix module allows you to combine two inputs and send them to a single output. It also has a volume control for each of its inputs – that’s where the mixing comes in. Use it to play two oscillators on a single speaker!

Modifiers are synthesizer elements that directly affect the sound of the signal generator. They can either reduce or enhance characteristics of sound and manipulate waveforms (filter, delay, and mix modules).
The littleBits split module sends a single input to two wired outputs. It’s great for connecting one output to two inputs, like using a keyboard to control two oscillators. But keep in mind that it can be used just like a wire module if you ignore one of its outputs.

The synth speaker amplifies your sonic explorations! You can control the volume with a dial on the front of the module. It also features an output jack. Use an audio cable to connect to headphones or a computer for recording, or to an amplifier for a show. The speaker can detach from the circuit board, so you can orient it to your liking.

This Kit contains a 9-volt alkaline battery and a cable to connect it to the power module. Connect it and then flip the switch to power all of your creations!

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SYNTH IN POP CULTURE

IN 1968, Wendy Carlos a pioneer in electronic music recorded the landmark album “Switched-On Bach”, which consisted of pieces by Johann Sebastian Bach performed on a synthesizer. “Switched-On Bach” was one of the first classical albums to sell half a million copies. The album won 3 Grammy Awards. FORMED IN 1970, Kraftwerk, which means “power station” in German, built the foundation of the electro-pop genre with their revolutionary synth sound. The band and its members are recognized as pioneers in this new technology. Kraftwerk is credited with making machine made sounds commercially appealing and an integral part of pop music. Their studio, “Kling Klang”, was a place where the band not only recorded music, but also invented and built their own complex electronic instruments. FORMED IN 1965, Pink Floyd was a progressive rock band known for experimenting with different technologies to create a unique, uncharted experience with music. Released in 1973, “The dark side of the Moon” featured heavy use of analog synthesizers and brought electronic sound further into the mainstream. They’ve sold more than 250 million albums worldwide and are one of the world’s most legendary rock bands. THE 1982 ALBUM “Thriller” by Michael Jackson is one of the best-selling albums of all time. Nearly every song on the album features synthesized sounds. IN 2000 the renowned rock band Radiohead won a Grammy for their album “Kid A” which brought synth sounds to the forefront. The album features wide use of analog modular synthesizers and the Ondes Martenot, an early electronic instrument. TODAY Björk is praised for her experimental electronic music. She has received 13 Grammy nominations as well as an Oscar nomination for Best Original Song from the film “Dancer in the Dark.” She uses cutting-edge synth like the “Reactable,” a digital tabletop that creates sounds by moving tangible blocks.

LISTEN: Carlos’ compositions can be heard in the films A Clockwork Orange (1972), The Shining (1980) and True (1993).
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TRY THESE CIRCUITS

Get started with these but don’t let us hold you back — every module fits with every other module — feel free to experiment.

PITCH SWEEPS Learn how an oscillator works.

1. Plug battery in and turn power on.
2. Turn pitch knob on oscillator to change the frequency.
3. Select the kind of waveform it produces. The 2 waveforms are sawtooth (or saw) and square.
4. Try adjusting the tuning knob. What happens?

The “pitch” range goes from being so low that it is unpitched (you actually hear clicks) to very high pitches. You can have lots of fun by twisting the pitch knob and “sweeping” through all the frequencies!

“Saw” and “square” are similar waveforms. The saw has a “mellow” character to it and the square sounds more “edgy.” The timbres of these two waveforms are most related to bowed strings and brass in the acoustic instrument families.

Touch the silver speaker cone and notice how it moves when you change from higher or lower pitches.

TRY THIS!

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Always plug battery in and turn power on.

The **random** module has two modes and one of them is called “noise”. Un-pitched sound is generally categorized as noise or a collection of many frequencies that are not distinguishable from one another. Unlike a waveform, noise has no repeating pattern.

A visual example of noise.

Noise happens when the television or radio is set between stations.

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A **sequencer** is a very novel controller and is unique to the world of synthesizers. A sequencer allows you to store note values and play them back in a repeating order. The stored notes are set by tuning each step using the knobs. The pattern will repeat sequentially forever and the speed can be controlled within the sequencer or from an outside pulse.

As previously mentioned, an oscillator can produce a frequency that is too low to be perceived as a pitch. In this case it is known as an LFO or low frequency oscillator. Because the oscillator in your kit can be both low frequency and audio range, you can turn up the frequency of one oscillator and feed it into another oscillator to create “frequency modulation.”
The envelope of a sound has a big effect on the character of the sound. The controls on the envelope Bits module are “attack” and “decay.”

**ATTACK**
Attack is how long it takes the sound to get to its loudest point.

**DECAY**
Decay is how long it takes the sound to fade to silence.

**EXAMPLES OF ENVELOPE AMPLITUDE OVER TIME**
Can you think of other instruments that fit these profiles?

- **Sharp attack**
  - Sharp decay like a drum
  - Sharp attack gradual decay like a piano

- **Gradual attack**
  - Gradual decay like a violin

- **Violins** have slow attacks because each note is drawn out by playing with a bow.
Random voltages can produce interesting effects in a synthesizer. Traditionally, this is created by a circuit called “sample and hold” or “S&H”. In a sample and hold circuit, a voltage is sampled from noise and sent to affect another circuit. There is no telling which voltage will be sampled!

- The filter is known as a low-pass filter. This means that frequencies higher than a certain point will be reduced or filtered out.
- When the peak is increased and the cutoff is adjusted, the timbral effect can sound like a person making vowel like sounds.

You can recreate this with your voice. Try making an “Ah” sound and then slowly shift to an “Ooh” sound. Your mouth creates a filter that changes the timbre of the sound much like the filter.
ECHO AND DELAY

Learn how to make infinite repeating sounds with the delay.

The delay affects the sound, but unlike the filter, its primary function is not to add or subtract from the original sound, but to reproduce it. Think of it as an echo in a large room or cave. You make a sound, and that sound gets repeated for some amount of time depending on how big the space is.

You can set how soon the repeated sound is heard with the time knob. The feedback knob sets how many times that sound is repeated.

**TRY THIS**

1. Set the “feedback” knob fully clockwise and play a few notes, the delay will repeat those notes and then repeat the repeats.
2. Adjust the “time” knob to create the effect of raising or lowering the pitch.
3. Twist the knob really fast in both directions to create some really crazy effects!

Artist and producer Brian Eno is well known for pushing the technological boundaries of music. He has famously produced mega albums like “Low” by David Bowie, “Remain in Light” by Talking Heads, and “Joshua Tree” by U2.
PROJECTS

Enhanced instructions plus tons more projects online, littleBits.cc/synth

Visit littleBits.cc/recordyourmusic for tips on how to record, edit and share your music.
Project 1: Learn how to make your song’s pitch perfect.

Tuning

1. Start with this circuit.
2. Pick one key and turn the “octave” dial clockwise and counterclockwise. Do you hear the difference? Listen to the range (how “high” and “low” the sound goes).
3. Turn the keyboard “octave” control to the middle of the range.
4. Play all the notes on the bottom row of the keyboard consecutively from left to right. This is called a major scale in music. You may recognize it as do-re-mi-fa-la-la-do.
5. Turn pitch knob on oscillator to change the frequency.
6. Play do-re-mi again, does it sound “right” to you? Remember “pitch” is perceived differently for everyone! If the notes didn’t sound quite right, try slowly adjusting the tune dial counterclockwise until it sounds “in tune.”
7. You’ve successfully tuned your oscillator, YOU'RE READY TO PLAY!

Tuning is the relationship between the pitches in a musical instrument. Instruments need to be “tuned” and a synthesizer is no different. By tuning instruments, you can create “melodies” that are recognizable.

The tuning dial on the oscillator Bits module will alter the relationship between pitches. This will be important when using the keyboard and micro sequencer.
PROJECT 2: Serenade a friend!

PLAY A SONG

1. Start with this circuit.
2. Then, tune your oscillator (see previous project).
3. Adjust pitch to match the range of your voice!
4. Use this color-coded keyboard and the notes to the right to help you play a song!

The bass sound in Stevie Wonder’s 1973 song “Living for the City” features the use of a keyboard, oscillator, and envelope. Can you replicate that sound?

Go to littleBits.cc/synth to learn how to play more tunes!
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**PROJECT 3: Create a supernatural soundtrack.**

**SPOOKY SOUNDS**

1. Start with this circuit.

2. Put the random module on “noise” mode.

3. Turn the time up (clockwise) on the delay module.

4. Turn the feedback up (clockwise) on the delay module.

5. Set “peak” to middle and play with “cutoff.”

6. SCARE YOUR FRIENDS!

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PROJECT 4: Dance to the beat of your own drums.

PERCUSSION PARTY

1. Start with this circuit.

2. Put the random module on “noise” mode.

3. Set your rhythm by adjusting knobs on the micro sequencer and adjust tempo with speed dial.

4. Adjust the filter to affect the timbre.

5. Turn the “attack” knob all the way down (counterclockwise). Turn the “decay” knob low, but slightly higher than the “attack.”

6. Wait on your synth drumset!

NOISE

Noise is an un-pitched sound. It is often used as a way to create percussion sounds because most drums are un-pitched instruments.

TRY MAKING A...

- Horse galloping sound - Turn one of the knobs all the way down on the sequencer to make the sound effect for a horse galloping.
- Woodblock sound - Turn the peak knob up (clockwise), turn the cut off down (counter clockwise).
- Water drop sound - Keep the peak up. Turn the cut off to a mid-range (higher than the woodblock).

BONUS

1. Start with this circuit.

2. Put the random module on “noise” mode.

3. Set your rhythm by adjusting knobs on the micro sequencer and adjust tempo with speed dial.

4. Adjust the filter to affect the timbre.

5. Turn the “attack” knob all the way down (counterclockwise). Turn the “decay” knob low, but slightly higher than the “attack.”

6. Wait on your synth drumset!
PROJECT 5: Recreate metallic sounds with the envelope.

**METAL MUSIC**

1. Start with this circuit.

2. Set your rhythm by adjusting knobs on the micro sequencer.

3. Turn the pitch of the first oscillator up (clockwise).

4. Turn pitch of the second oscillator up until you reach a metallic sound - like a bell.

5. On your envelope, turn decay knob and attack knob down (counterclockwise) until you achieve a “pinging” sound.

6. ROCK ON!

People who are musically inclined tend to be better at math! Go figure.
**PROJECT 6: Learn how to play a melody with accompaniment.**

**SYNTH BAND**

1. Start with this circuit.

2. Tune both oscillators (refer to page 21 on how to do this). Oscillators can either be set to “consonant” or “dissonant” intervals. In consonance, they are in harmony. In dissonance, they will sound inharmonious.

3. Create a pattern on the micro sequencer that you like. This will become your backing music.

4. Play a few notes on the keyboard. The keyboard is like the “lead singer” and will appear louder than your sequencer because nothing is filtering the sound.

5. Adjust the filter until you reach the sound you like.

6. Set mix level 1 low and mix level 2 higher.

7. Adjust the envelope and delay — these will change your keyboard’s sound.

8. You’re ready to perform!

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Use an audio cable to connect your speaker to your computer, headphones, or an amplifier!
SYNTHeSIZeR wITH THe wORKS

PROJECT 7: Create one monster synth with all of these modules!

SYNTHESIZER WITH THE WORKS

1. Start with this circuit.

2. Tune both oscillators (refer to page 21 on how to do this). Oscillators can either be set to “consonant” (harmonious) or “dissonant” (inharmonious) intervals.

3. Adjust the envelope.

4. Adjust the filter.

5. Adjust volume of each oscillator on the mix module.

6. Add some echoes by adjusting the delay module.

7. RECORD YOUR MUSIC!

Record your music and share it with us! littleBits.cc/upload
And now a brief intermission from the projects.

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1. Mold a handle with CLAY
2. Cut a hole in a PLASTIC CUP
3. Cut a hole in a PAPER PLATE
4. Cut a hole in a CARDBOARD TUBE
5. Make a knob with a STYROFOAM BALL
6. Adjust from a distance with a PIPE CLEANER... or...
7. A POPSICLE STICK never looked so cool
8. STRAWS!
PROJECT 8: Transform your box!

PERFORM LIKE A PRO

TIME: 60 mins
DIFFICULTY: ●●●●

Visit littleBits.cc/prosetup for instructions on how to set up your modules so you can put on live performances anywhere and on the go!

Buy mounting boards online at littleBits.cc/mountingboards

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COOL! Just like the KORG MS-20.
**PROJECT 9: Create your own electronic instrument!**

**KEYTAR**

1. Start with this circuit.

**YOU’LL NEED**
- Box cutter
- Hot glue
- Soldering iron
- Tape
- String
- Foam ball
- Small box
- Cardboard
- Popsicle stick
- Paintbrush
- Paint

**TIME:** 60 mins  
**DIFFICULTY:** 1

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In the early '70s **Edgar Winter** was one of the first people to create a makeshift “keytar” by adding a shoulder strap to an electronic keyboard. Check out the popular song “Frankenstein.”

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SYNTH HIST
1. Tape or glue smaller box to the back of the wider end.
2. Decorate! Use paint, markers, whatever you have!
3. Add the circuit.
4. Add a whoammy bar!
5. Add a strap.
6. Be careful!
7. We used elastic.
8. You could also try ribbons, strong cloth... customize!

Show us your design! littleBits.cc/upload
YOU'LL NEED a cereal box or paper cup, pen, scissors, hot glue, tape, glue, paint or spray paint, cereal, and glue stick.

SYNTH SPIN TABLE

PROJECT 10: Play your Synth Kit like a DJ.

TIME: 2 hrs
DIFFICULTY: 1/10

1. Start with this circuit.

SYNTH SPIN TABLE

2. Lay cereal box flat.

Disco! The first notable fully synthesized disco hit was "I Feel Love" by Donna Summer in 1977.
1. Put the circuit on the box. Use tape to keep 'em in place.
2. Attack one straw on each oscillator knob.
3. Get paper plate cut down to size.
4. Mark center of plate and poke hole.
5. Slide plate onto straw.
6. Make first turntable
7. Make second turntable.
8. Poke a hole in the bottom of a cup and slide it on the straw of the second oscillator.
9. Slide plate onto straw at the base for stabilizing.
10. Repeat steps 5-7 and add another plate on top of the cup.

You can tape straw to cup at the base for stabilizing.
Guide strands to plates.

Decorate!

We used different colors. What materials do you have at home?

Your spider is ready for its prey!
MAKE SOMETHING THAT DOES SOMETHING™
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