

*Sp Junior*

*Sp Classic*

*Sp Gold*

*Quick Reference*

# *Sequencer Plus Series*

*Version 4*

*Voyetra*



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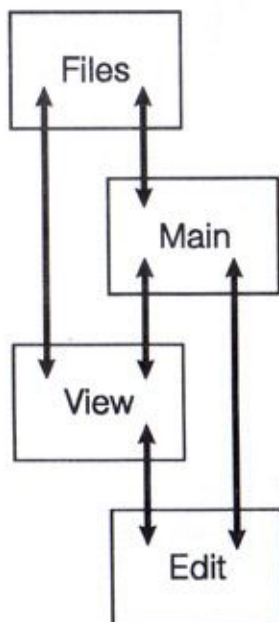
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# Overview

Sequencer Plus (Sp) is a MIDI record, playback and editing program used to create and edit MIDI song files that can be played by Sp or a MIDI File player program. Sp is available in three different levels, called **Sp Junior**, **Classic** and **Gold**:

- Sp Junior** An entry level sequencer that includes all the features required to create compositions for home studios, business and multimedia presentations.
- Sp Classic** A professional grade sequencer with advanced features such as the ability to synchronize song file playback to an external sync source such as SMPTE, MTC, MIDI clock, etc..  
Classic also offers a complete set of sophisticated MIDI editing and transform enhancements for global editing of MIDI data.
- Sp Gold** An integrated sequencer and MIDI network controller offers all of the advanced sequencing features of Classic in addition to a **Universal Librarian** and **MIDI Data Analyzer**.

\* This Quick reference guide is designed for Sp Gold so that all of Sp's major features can be summarized. As such, some of the features listed may not pertain to Classic and Junior.



# Comparison of Sp Series major features

	<i>Junior</i>	<i>Classic</i>	<i>Gold</i>
<i>Number of Tracks</i>	64	500	2000+
<i>Advanced Track Grouping</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Multiple MIDI Port Support</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Matrix-style Port Assign Window</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Universal Librarian</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>FM Voice Card Editor/ Librarian</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>MIDI Network Organizer</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>MIDI Data Analyzer</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Generic Sysex up/down load</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Advanced File Sorting functions</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Play list (jukebox) feature</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Multiple Time Signatures on multiple tracks</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Multiple Programmable Tempo-tracks</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>SMPTE/ MTC Support</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Generate all 5 SMPTE fps rates</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Full-Screen MTC Monitor</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Full-Screen Bar Position Monitor</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>DDL Calculator</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>On-Screen Vol and Pan per track</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>On-screen Velocity offset per track</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Block Moves across tracks</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Memory Buffers</i>	3	6	11
<i>Tap Tempo (Fit improvisation)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Beat Learn Mode</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Keyboard Step Entry Mode</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Super Quantize/ Swing</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Random Transforms</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
<i>MIDI Transforms</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12	12
<i>Tempo Transforms</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6	6
<i>Pitch Transforms</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	5
<i>Time Transforms</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8	8
<i>Velocity Transforms</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7	7
<i>Split Transforms</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	5
<i>Misc Transforms</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	3
<i>Metronome on PC Speaker</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Metronome as MIDI notes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Enhanced color screen options</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>QWERTY Keyboard Window</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Hardware Configuration Window</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

# Hardware Requirements

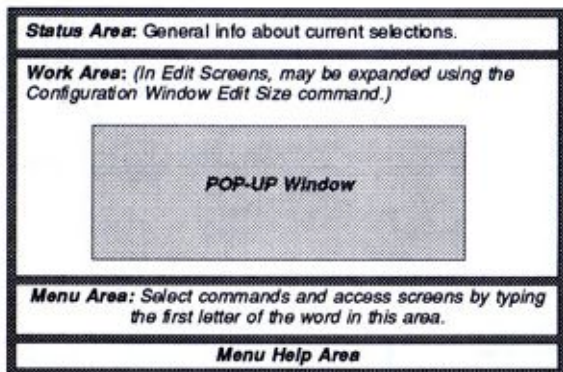
Sequencer Plus Version 4 requires the following hardware:

- A PC based on the Intel 8088, 80286, 80386 or 80486 microprocessor that is software compatible with the IBM™ PC/XT/AT family of personal computers.
  - For best performance, it is recommended that Sp Classic and Gold be used on a PC based on the 80286, 80386 or 80486 microprocessors. Some of the advanced features can overtax the slower 8088 architecture.
- At least 512K of memory (RAM).
- DOS 2.0 or above.
- Sp Gold and Classic require a hard drive
- Any of the following video systems:
  - IBM Monochrome display,
  - Hercules graphics display,
  - IBM Color Graphics Adapter (CGA),
  - Enhanced Graphics Adapter (EGA),
  - Video Graphics Array (VGA).

\* If you have an EGA or VGA display, Sp Gold will automatically switch into its High Resolution Mode, which shows substantially more information per screen.
- Sp also works with a mouse, however this is optional since all of the functions are accessible via keyboard commands.
- Sp may be used without a MIDI interface, but in order to record and play back via a MIDI keyboard, one of the following MIDI interfaces is required:
  - MPU-401™ compatible MIDI interface, (eg. Voyetra 400x Series)
  - Voyetra V-22™/ V-24s™ multi port MIDI interfaces
  - Sound Blaster™ with MIDI option
  - IBM PS/1™ with MIDI option
  - IBM Music Feature™ Card
  - Yamaha C1™
  - Music Quest MQX-32™/MQX-16s™
  - Roland LAPC™
- Sp will also play MIDI files on these PC sound cards:
  - Sound Blaster™ FM synthesizer
  - AdLib™ Card



# Sp User Interface



- Menu Help Area:** Highlight menu item, press the ? key (no need to shift) and a one-line description will appear in the menu area. To remove, press ? again.
- Arrow keys:** Move the cursor around the computer screen in the direction of the arrow key.
- +, -, [ and ]:** Step settings through their available ranges. Numerical settings can also be changed just by typing in new numbers with the number keys along the top of the keyboard.
- Command Line Options:** To see a list of command line options, start the program with the /? option when typing the program name at the command line.

## Using a Mouse

First run the "mouse driver" program supplied with the mouse. If the mouse moves the cursor in Sp, then the mouse driver was installed properly. If not, try the mouse with another program that supports a mouse (there is probably a test program with the mouse package) to see if the mouse driver was installed properly.

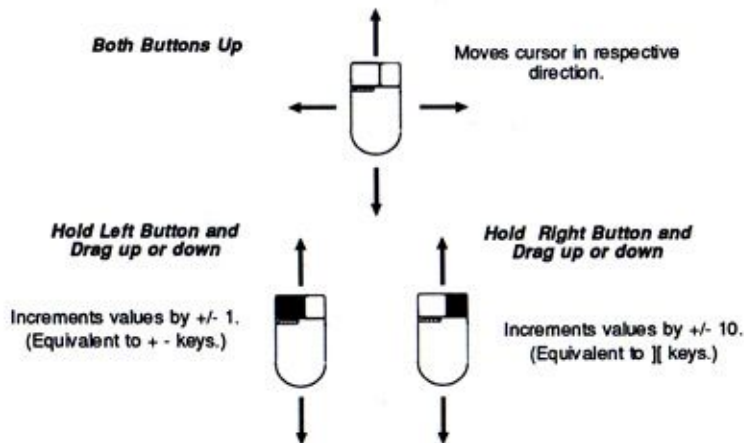
### The Mouse Menus

Simultaneously pressing the left and right buttons (or the center button, if your mouse has one) will open a mouse-specific window menu with commands and access to other controls (such as Function Keys). To select an item from a pop-up menu, position the cursor on top of the item you want to select and double click the left mouse button. To close the menu without selecting anything, either select the (Close menu) option, or double click the right button.

### Mouse Actions

- Double clicking the left button is equivalent to pressing **Enter**.
- Double-clicking the right button is equivalent to pressing **Esc**.
- Parameter values can be selected by dragging the mouse up or down while pressing the left button (+/- by 1) or the right button (]/[ by 10).
- Mouse menus that have the "Start/Stop" option (space bar) have "Start/Stop" at the top of the menu. To start playing, bring up the mouse menu and double-click the left button.

- ❑ To access the function keys with the mouse, activate the **Function Keys Menu** by double clicking the left button on the **Function Keys** option in the mouse menu.
- ❑ If you are viewing a **Help** screen, page down by double-clicking the left button or by choosing **Page Down** in the pop-up menu. To page up with the mouse, select **Page Up** from the pop-up menu.
- ❑ To load a file from the **Files Screen**, highlight it and double click the left button.
- ❑ To access the Main, View and Edit screens with the mouse, double click the left button to enter the next screen or the right button to return to the previous screen.



- ❑ To "drag" a note in the edit screens, click on it when it's highlighted, continue to hold the mouse button down, and move the mouse.

Song NEM-SONG		Main		SCENE		Mem 59008					
Trk 1		BPM 128		1:8		THRU:OFF					
Trk	Name	Port	Chan	Prg	Transpose	Quantize	Loop	Mute			
1							---	---			
2							---	---			
3							---	---			
4				Files		FILES	---	---			
5				(Close menu)		OPTIONS	---	---			
6				Function Keys		VIEW	---	---			
7				Delete			---	---			
8				Loop			---	---			
9				Mute			---	---			
10				Name			---	---			
11				Quit			---	---			
12				Record			---	---			
13				Solo			---	---			
14				Tempo			---	---			
15				EDIT			---	---			
16							---	---			
Main Menu											
Delete		Loop	Mute	Name	Quit	Record	Solo	Tempo	EDIT	FILES	OPTIONS
VIEW											

Typical Mouse Menu Window

## Summary of Function Keys

<b>Key</b>	<b>Alone</b>	<b>With [Shift]</b>
<b>F1</b>	Function Key Help	QWERTY synth
<b>F2</b>	Metronome On/Off	Metronome Window
<b>F3</b>	Options Window	Librarian Options
<b>F4</b>	Configuration Window	Markers Window
<b>F5</b>	Play Range	Programs List
<b>F6</b>	Sync Window	Display Setup
<b>F7</b>	Note Pad	Bar Sync
<b>F8</b>	Current Bar	Solo Current Track
<b>F9</b>	Chase Mode	MIDI Thru Status
<b>F10</b>	Quit	DDL Calculator

## Summary of Control Key Combinations

<b>Key Combination</b>	<b>Function</b>
<b>[Ctl]-B</b>	Backup Track
<b>[Ctl]-C</b>	Set MIDI Channel
<b>[Ctl]-G</b>	Go To Track
<b>[Ctl]-J</b>	Jump To Track
<b>[Ctl]-O</b>	Set Port Number
<b>[Ctl]-P</b>	Set Initial Pgm Number
<b>[Ctl]-R</b>	Record

## Summary of Alt Key Combinations

<b>Key Combination</b>	<b>Function</b>
<b>[Alt]-I</b>	Sync to internal PC clock
<b>[Alt]-M</b>	Sync to MTC
<b>[Alt]-S</b>	Sync to SPP
<b>[Alt]-T</b>	Sync to SMPTE
	<b>For FM Sound Cards:</b>
<b>[Alt]-D</b>	Toggle between Drum and Instrument Mode
<b>[Alt]-X</b>	Toggle MIDI In/ Out

# Summary of Screens

*(Esc brings back the previous screen.)*

<i>JrCl/Gold</i>	<i>Screen</i>	<i>To Access...</i>	<i>Function</i>
■ ■ ■	<b>Main</b>	Sp boots with this screen	Provides an overview of track information and global control of song parameters such as mute, loop, tempo, volume, etc. Play/ record from beginning of song.
■ ■ ■	<b>View</b>	<V> from Main	Overview of MIDI data contained in every measure of the song. Global cut/ paste of song sections. Transform functions. Play/ record from anywhere in song.
■ ■ ■	<b>Edit</b>	<E> from Main or View	Edit, insert, move, etc. individual notes in each measure.
■ ■ ■	<b>Note Edit</b>	<N> from Edit	Edit MIDI note data associated with each note in a measure.
■ ■ ■	<b>MIDI Edit</b>	<M> from Edit	Edit non-note MIDI data in each measure..
□ ■ ■	<b>Step Record</b>	<K> from Edit screen	Enter notes from a MIDI keyboard in "step time" rather than real time.
■ ■ ■	<b>Files</b>	<F> from various screens	Manage song, bank, notepad, etc. files.
□ □ ■	<b>Setup</b>	<X> from Main	Configure the MIDI instrument setup for proper program and bank settings.
□ □ ■	<b>Arranger</b>	<A> from Setup	Manage program banks for MIDI devices and transfer program banks between an external MIDI device and the PC.
□ □ ■	<b>Grid/ Bulk/ Fmt</b>	<M> from Setup, then toggle with D	View MIDI data in various formats.
□ □ ■	<b>MTC Monitor</b>	<M> from Grid/ Bulk or Fmt	Monitor MIDI Timecode entering the PC MIDI port.
□ □ ■	<b>MIDI Output Strings</b>	[Shift] with number key from Grid/ Bulk or Formatted	Used to assign a string of MIDI data to each of the ten number keys so they may be easily transmitted to control MIDI instruments.
□ ■ ■	<b>Notepad</b>	<F7>	Enter text to be saved along with song data.



# Summary of Windows

(Esc closes a window)

<i>JrCl/Gold</i>	<i>Window</i>	<i>Enter From</i>	<i>Function</i>
■ ■ ■	<b>Options</b>	<F3> or <O> from Main, View or Edit Screens	Set time signatures, clock source, MIDI controller filters, Tempo track reference, lead-in measures, etc.
■ ■ ■	<b>Configuration</b>	<F4>	Control default values for file paths, screen size, printer port, etc.
■ ■ ■	<b>Display Setup</b>	Shift <F6>	Set up default screen colors
■ ■ ■	<b>Hardware Configuration</b>	<H> from Options Window	Shows MIDI interface configuration.
□ ■ ■	<b>Play Range</b>	<F5>	Play specified range of song repeatedly
□ ■ ■	<b>Sync</b>	<F6>	Controls SMPTE interface functions and other sync settings.
□ □ ■	<b>Bar Number</b>	<F8>	Shows current bar #, beat #, SMPTE time.
□ □ ■	<b>Librarian Options</b>	Shift <F3>	Set Librarian default values
□ ■ ■	<b>Punch-In</b>	<P> from Main or View screens.	Record a specified range of measures.
□ ■ ■	<b>Tempo Track</b>	<T> from View Screen	Enter tempo changes into the tempo reference track selected in the Options Window.
□ ■ ■	<b>Transforms</b>	<X> from View screen.	Access transform functions.
□ □ ■	<b>Super Quantize</b>	<S> from Transforms window.	Controls advanced quantizing functions.
□ ■ ■	<b>Key Signature</b>	<K> from Transforms window.	Select key for Harmonic Transpose Transforms.
□ □ ■	<b>DDL Calculator</b>	Shift <F10>	Shows number of ms/beat for a given tempo
□ □ ■	<b>Markers</b>	Shift <F4>	Provides 10 user-definable song position markers.
□ ■ ■	<b>Metronome</b>	Shift <F2>	Controls metronome functions.
□ ■ ■	<b>MIDI Thru</b>	Shift <F9>	Port assignment settings for multi-port MIDI interface hardware and MIDI thru on/off (note: SpJr MIDI Thru is in Options Window)
■ ■ ■	<b>QWERTY synth</b>	Shift <F1>	Play/ record notes from PC keyboard
□ □ ■	<b>FM Voice Editor</b>	<V> from bank arranger	Edit PC bus-based FM synthesizer voice.
□ □ ■	<b>Instruments</b>	<I> from Setup	Assign instruments to Setup.
□ □ ■	<b>Banks</b>	<B> from Setup	Assign instrument program banks to Setup.
□ □ ■	<b>Programs</b>	<P> from Setup	Assign instrument programs from a bank.

# Sequencer

The **Sequencer** is comprised of independent, polyphonic "tracks" which are used to record MIDI data generated by an external MIDI keyboard. Once MIDI data is in a track, it can be edited using the View and Edit screens to access individual note and non-note data. By assigning the MIDI data in each track to a different MIDI instrument sound, a complete, orchestrated "MIDI performance" can be created and saved to disk as a song file.

A MIDI song can be created in either "real time" or "non-real time". These two methods of MIDI data entry may be combined to realize virtually any performance. Once the MIDI data is entered, the song may be edited on a macro level or a micro scale with a "piano-roll" style note display that does not require music reading skills.

- In *real-time*, the MIDI data generated by playing an external keyboard is recorded directly into the track as it is played on the keyboard. Because data is being recorded exactly as it is played, this method requires a certain amount of keyboard skills. Basically, "what you hear is what you played." Once the music is recorded, it may be edited to clean up mistakes or add more complex passages that cannot be entered in real time.
- In *non-real time*, the song is recorded at your own pace using one or more of several methods. When the notes are played back at normal tempo, they cannot be distinguished from those played in real time. The non-real time methods include:
  - The song tempo may be slowed down so that the music can be played on the keyboard at a comfortable pace. When the song is sped up to normal tempo, the recorded passages sound as if they were played at a normal pace.
  - Notes may be entered one at a time in the Edit screens using the mouse or PC keyboard. This allows the greatest detail to be entered and is often used for "clean up" or editing tasks.
  - *Step-time* recording from the **Step Record Screen** allows notes and chords to be entered directly from the MIDI keyboard at a slow and methodical pace. As the notes are released, the cursor advances to the next rhythmic position ready to enter the next note or chord. This method allows for far more complex musical passages than may be humanly possible to play. In addition, individuals with little or no keyboard skills may create music as if they were virtuosos!

## **Files Screen** (*F from various screens*):

This Files screen provides access to all of the file types used by Sp, including song files, notepad files, program bank files, etc.

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|--|--|
| <b>To load a file</b>                                  | Highlight the name, press <L>oad and <Enter>. If a song is loaded press the <spacebar> to play it.   |
| <b>To list files in a different directory or drive</b> | Highlight the directory or drive in the list and press <Enter>.  |
| <b>To audition a list of songs</b>                     | The Classic and Gold <J>ukebox command may be used to automatically play the list of songs in the order they appear. <i>To use this command, Sp must be run with the /dr:xx command line option.</i>   |
| <b>To change file types listed</b>                     | The file type listed will depend upon the screen from which it was entered. For example, entering the Files screen from a sequencer screen will list song files, while entering from the Notepad ([Ct]l-F) will list text files. To change the type of files listed, use the <E>xension command. |
| <b>To merge songs or tracks</b>                        | By using MIDI files (*.MID) instead of Sp files (*.SNG) the data from two songs can be merged together. Sp Classic and Gold can also save and load individual tracks (*.TRK).  |



## Main Screen (Sp boots with this screen):

Main										
Song REBOP				EPW 112		CK: INTERNAL		1:0		New TZ048
Trk	1 Click									
Trk Name	Pt	Ch	Prg	Trans	Quant	Loop	Mute	Offset	Vol	Pan
1	1	18	49			ON				0
2	1	0	49	0: 1?		ON			+27	.
3	1	11	49			ON			.	.
4	2	12	12			ON			.	0
5	1	2	11						.	40
6	1	6	6	0: 1:			MUTE		+18	.
7	1	16	6		16t			0:1 +	18	.
8	1	4	2	1: 0:					90	.
9	2	5	62					0:1 +	43	.
10	1	3	12					0:1 +	77	-66
11	1	9	62						.	.
12	1	7	62						.	-64
13	1	1	.						.	.
14	1	1	.						.	.
15	1	1	.						.	.
16	1	1	.						.	.

Main Menu

Beat-learn Chase Delete Loop Mute Name Quit Record Solo Tempo EDIT  
FILES H\_MULTI OPTIONS PUNCH-IN VIEW

### Main screen

This is the "top" of the Sequencer where the global track parameters are controlled (eg. transpose, offset, program assignment, etc.).

#### Ports/ Channels/ Programs

When using a PC sound card, (eg. Sound Blaster), the Port number determines whether the track data will be routed to external MIDI synthesizers (Port 1) or internal FM sounds (Port 2).

When a multi-port MIDI interface is used (eg. V-22, V-24s), the Port number determines which MIDI port the track data will be sent to.

The channel setting determines which MIDI instruments will be played by the track. The Program setting determines the sound played by the MIDI instrument or FM sound card by sending the appropriate program change message to the instrument assigned to the channel.

#### To record on the highlighted track

Press <R>ecord then the <Spacebar>. When you're done, press the <Spacebar> to stop recording. Press it again to playback all recorded tracks.

\* When recording, the track's MIDI channel must match the instrument's transmit channel.

\* The Spacebar always starts and stops record/ playback.

#### To quantize, mute, transpose, etc...

Highlight the appropriate function in the desired track and use + / - to change the setting. (Use PgUp/PgDn to see tracks that aren't on the screen.)

#### Group Commands

In Sp Gold, the <G>roup command activates a submenu for assigning tracks to one of 26 groups by using a letter (a - z) in the group column. Tracks with the same group letter can be controlled as a group and muted, soloed, etc. together.

### Configuration Window (F4)

Sets the paths for song, help, notepad and librarian files. Press <S>ave to save the settings

### Options Window (F3)

Controls background settings such as number of bars for lead-in, MIDI input channels recognized, time signature, filtering of MIDI benders, MIDI Thru (in SpJr), programs transmit and clock source.

## View Screen (V from Main):

Song MEMOP		View										Mem DISCK
Tr	1 Click	MPN	132	CK: INTERNAL	178							
Trk Name	P1	Ch	Op	Prog	Bar#*	10	110	124	132			
1	Click	1	18	A	49	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	Hihat	1	8	A	49	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	Drums	1	11	A	49	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	Piano	2	12	B	32	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	Piano	1	2	B	31	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	Drum	1	5	C	5	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7	High Brass	1	15	D	6	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8	Low Brass	1	4	D	2	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9	Tenor	2	5	D	62	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	Trumpet	1	3	D	32	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11	Sax Solo	1	9	E	62	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	Sax Gliss	1	7	E	62	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13		1	1	-	-	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14		1	1	-	-	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
15		1	1	-	-	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16		1	1	-	-	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

View Menu

Add Copy Delete Data-bar Insert Loop Solo Name Replace Solo M88%

Exp BLOCK EDIT FILES M-MULTI OPTIONS PUNCH-IN TEMPO XTURNS

View shows an overview of the song data by indicating the status of individual measures in each track. The **█** symbol indicates measures containing MIDI data. A "-" symbol indicates recorded measures with no data in them. A "." symbol indicates measures not recorded. These symbols allow the song's entire structure to be examined by noting which measures contain MIDI data, which do not and which have not yet been recorded.

View also allows cut-and-paste of song sections to shorten or lengthen the song.

\* In View, song playback (Spacebar) and record (Ctrl-R) starts from the position of the cursor.

### To expand the View screen

Use the <W>ldh command to toggle the View screen into expanded (72 bars) mode. This removes the track information on the left side of the screen.

### To "Cut and Paste" song sections

Use the memory buffers to move or copy a range of measures with the following commands: <C>opy, <D>elete, <I>nsert, <R>eplace, and <A>dd.

### To Add/Delete measures

Highlight the measure and use the **Ins** or **Del** keys. The <Backspace> key deletes measures to the left of the cursor.

### To designate a Tempo Reference track

Activate the Options Window (F3) to select the tempo reference track number. This is designated by a letter "T" in the Main and View screens.

### To make dynamic Tempo changes

Tempo change events can be inserted into any track, however only one track may be used as the tempo reference track that determines how the song will speed up and slow down in response to the tempo events.

Tempo changes can be entered by activating the <T>empo Track Window from Main or View, or from the MIDI edit screen by selecting the "Tempo" Class and manually inserting tempo events. Tempo transforms can also be used to alter the tempo in a selected range.

### To cut and paste blocks of song data:

The <B>lock command activates a sub-menu with commands used to add, delete, copy or move a range of tracks. Press <C>opy, select the block with the arrow keys, then press <Return>. Move the highlighted block to another location with the arrow keys and press <Y>es to confirm. Other Block functions work similarly.

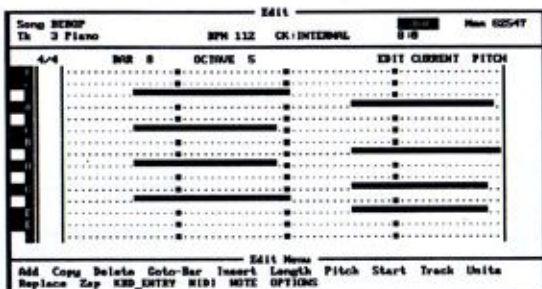
### Transforms Window (X from View):

Used for "global" edits on a highlighted region of tracks and measures. (eg. quantize all of the MIDI notes in a range, reverse note order to play a section backwards, generate random melodies, compress volume, etc.) Highlight a transform, press <Return>, use the arrow keys to select the range to be transformed. Press <Return> again and follow the prompts to enter command-specific values.



## Edit Screen (E from Main or View):

To access the notes in any measure of the View screen, highlight the measure and press <E>dit to enter the Edit screen for that measure.



### To highlight notes

The Tab/[Shift]-Tab keys highlight the next/previous note.

### To move notes

Highlight the note, press <P>itch and use +, -, >, <, [, ] keys to move the note up/down. Press <S>tart and use +, -, >, <, [, ] to move note right/left. Or, use left mouse button and drag.

### To insert notes

Note may be inserted at cursor position with Ins Key. With Classic or Gold, you can insert notes of fixed durations at the cursor position by pressing W, H, D, Q, E, S, or T keys while holding the [Ctrl] key down.

### To delete notes

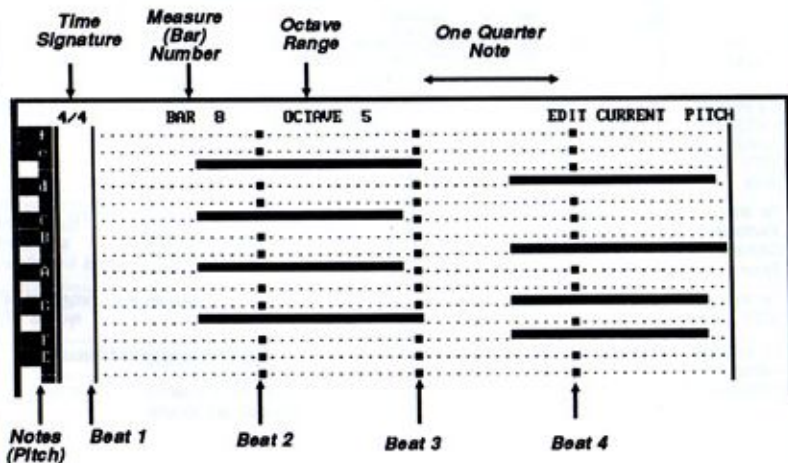
Highlight note and press Del key.

### To increase/decrease note length

Highlight the note, press <L>ength and use +, -, >, <, [, ] to make the note longer or shorter. (<U>nits command sets the step size.) Or press right mouse button and drag.

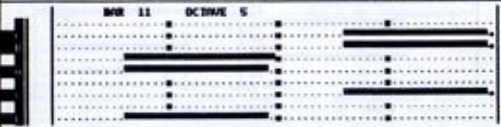
### To see notes on another track

Press <T>rack followed by the track number to see notes in the same measure of another track.



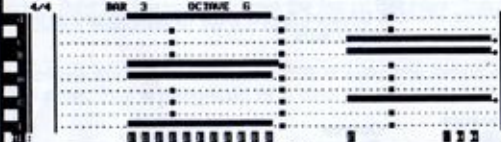
## Note Edit Screen (N from Edit):

The <N>ote Edit screen shows detailed MIDI values for the highlighted note at the top of the Work Area. Press the Tab/ [Shift]Tab key to highlight the next / previous notes. Velocity for each note is also edited in this screen.

Note Edit									
Song	SEMP	BPM	112	CK: INTERNAL	11-8	Mem	02547		
Trk	4 Piano								
Environment	4/4	Keyboard	CURRENT NOTE		Units:	32nd	Fine		
Time Sig:			OFF		Start:	G	+ 0		
Time Units:	32nd			Velocity:		50	Length:	18	+ 0
Freeze:	OFF	Note-trig:	ON	Off Vel:		54			
									
Note Menu									
Accidentals	Durations	Freeze	Gate-Bar	Hit-point	Length	Note-trig			
Off-vel	Pitch	Start	Track	Units	Velocity				

## MIDI Edit Screen (M from Edit):

To edit non-note MIDI data in the measure shown by the Edit screen, enter the <M>IDI Edit screen. The bottom of the Work area shows non-note MIDI data such as pitch bends, program changes, controllers, aftertouch, etc. Notes in the MIDI edit screen cannot be edited, they are shown only to indicate the relative positioning of the non-note MIDI data with respect to the note data.

MIDI Edit									
Song	SEMP	BPM	112	CK: INTERNAL	3-8	Mem	02467		
Trk	4 Piano								
MIDI Line:	ALL CLASSES			MIDI EVENT		Units:	32nd	Fine	
Time Units:	32nd			Value:		0			
									
MIDI Menu									
Class	Gate-Bar	MIDI-Line	Pitch	Start	Type	Units	Value		

**To see the various classes of MIDI event data**

The <C>lass command allows Program change, Aftertouch, Bender, Tempo, Key Aftertouch, controller or All MIDI data to appear at the bottom of the Work Area.

**To see Various Controller Types**

When Class is set to Controllers, the <T>ype command selects the controller type to be displayed with the +, -, <, >, [, ] keys.

**To move a MIDI Event**

Use the <S>tart command to shift the event left/ right with the +, -, <, >, [, ] keys.

**To change the value of a MIDI event**

Use the <V>alue command to change to value of the selected class and type with the +, -, <, >, [, ] keys.





# Universal Librarian

Sp Gold's **Universal Librarian** is used for uploading, downloading, manipulating, naming and storing banks of patches from a list of over 130 pre-defined MIDI instruments. If an instrument is not on the predefined list, patches may be transferred by defining a "generic" instrument for the device.

With the Universal Librarian, the PC's hard disk may be used to eliminate RAM cartridges and cassettes that are normally used to swap sounds in a MIDI synthesizer.

## **Bank Arranger Screen** (A from Setup):

This screen is used for arranging program banks for the instrument assigned to the highlighted line in the Setup screen. Typically, a bank file is loaded into one or both sides of the screen and programs are swapped, moved, etc. between sides or within the same side to create a new arrangement of programs in the bank. This new arrangement is then saved to disk as a new bank file.

Bank BASS1		Bank Arranger	
Instrument	SIDEMMM	BOX	VOICE DATA
BANK: BASS1.B6		VOICE DATA	
1	BASS1	1	
2	BASS1	1	2
3	BASS1	1	3
4	BASS1	1	4
5	BASS1	1	5
6	BASS1	1	6
7	BASS1	1	7
8	BASS1	1	8
9	BASS1	1	9
10	BASS1	1	10
11	BASS1	1	11
12	BASS1	1	12
13	BASS1	1	13
14	BASS1	1	14
15	BASS1	1	15
16	BASS1	1	16
BANK: ANIMAL.B		VOICE DATA	
1	Fig	-	A1
2	Cate		
3	Spooebird1		
4	Spooebird2		
5	Spooebird3		
6	Rnd KurzB2		
7	Rajgun SD1		
8	Marpd Guit		
9	Hillbilly		
10	Harpitar		
11	Mahloymn 1		
12	Ulcian Str		
13	Kplookgup		
14	Catgut		
15	StringB3+1		
16	StringB3+2		

Bank Arranger Menu  
Addition Block-select Copy Delete Erase Name Receive Swap Transmit  
Exchange FILES OPTIONS VOICE-EDITOR

### **To load a bank of programs from disk**

Select an instrument in the Setup Screen, then press <A>rranger to enter the Bank Arranger. If a bank was specified on the Setup Screen, it will automatically load. Otherwise, use the arrow keys to pick which side of the display you want to load a bank into, then press <F>iles to enter the Files Screen, use the arrow keys to select the bank you wish to load, and press <L>oad <Return>.

### **To load a bank of programs from the MIDI instrument**

Place the cursor in the Setup row for the instrument to be edited. Press <A>rranger to enter the Bank Arranger screen. Use the arrow keys to select the side of the display in which to load bank. Press F1 for instructions about the instrument. Make sure the instrument settings and channel are correct. Press <R>eceive to upload programs from the instrument.

### **To send a Trigger Note over the current MIDI channel**

Press the <Spacebar>. This lets you hear the sound of the instruments assigned to that MIDI channel. The pitch, velocity, and length of this trigger note can be set from the Librarian Options window [Shift]-F3.

### **To enter the Librarian Options Window [Shift]-F3.**

The left side of this window shows parameters for the Trigger Note. Setting this ON makes the Trigger Note automatic: (i.e., a note will be sent every time anything is changed in a setup or bank.) The other Trigger Note settings (pitch, duration, and velocity) adjust the Trigger Note as necessary for various instruments and sounds. The arrow keys or the letters P, D, or V move among the settings. Change values with +, -, [, or ] keys. Press the <Spacebar> to hear the changes.



<b>To audition a program in the Bank Arranger</b>	Place the cursor on the program you wish to audition, then press <A>udition. The program is transmitted to the instrument's "scratch buffer" so it can be heard without altering the bank currently loaded in the instrument. (Not all instruments support this feature.)
<b>To name (or rename) a program</b>	Highlight name, press <N>ame and enter the name. Use the arrow keys to change programs while naming. Press <Return> or ESC to return to normal program operation.
<b>To swap programs in a bank</b>	Highlight the first program to swap, press <S>wap <Return>. (Or, use the arrow keys to select a range of programs to swap before pressing <Return>). Use the Arrow keys to select a destination, then press <Return>.
<b>To copy programs from one bank to another</b>	Same, except use <C>opy.
<b>To erase programs from a bank</b>	Same, except use <E>rase.

### Librarian Options Window ((Shift) F3):

This window is used to set the librarian parameters such as trigger note values, automatic audition mode, etc.

LIB OPTIONS			
TRIGGER note	111	Program CHANGES	OFF
Trigger note PITCH	68	Automatic AUDITION	OFF
Trigger note DURATION	1800ms	INPUT Port for Upload	1
Trigger note VELOCITY	127	RECEIVE Buffer Size	6K

Librarian Options Menu					
Audition	Changes	Duration	Input-port	Pitch	Receive-buffer
Velocity					Trigger-note

# MIDI Data Analyzer

Sp Gold's MIDI Data Analyzer provides a "window to the MIDI world" by turning the PC into a MIDI diagnostic tool. It monitors MIDI network activity in three different display formats, each optimized for various methods of analyzing MIDI data.

The MIDI Data Analyzer also provides a way to transmit predefined strings of MIDI data from the PC keyboard to directly control MIDI devices (eg. initiating a patch dump, etc.)

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- To enter the Grid Mode screen** Press **M** from the Setup screen. The **Grid Mode screen** is a table of 16 columns corresponding to 16 MIDI channels and 8 rows corresponding to the 8 types of channel-specific MIDI commands. Thus, generating channelized data (eg. pressing a button or key on a MIDI synth) appears in the column corresponding to the channel on which the data was transmitted from the instrument.
- For instance, if you press any key on a MIDI instrument, the pitch of the note appears in a box in the **Note On** row of the column corresponding to the instrument's MIDI Transmit channel setting. Releasing the key shows the same note number in the first row, which corresponds to **Note Off** for that channel.
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- To clear the Grid** Press **<A>ll-Reset** at any time.
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- To filter "active sensing" data** Use the **<C>lock-Enable** command.
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- To enter the Formatted Trace mode screen** From Grid Mode, press **<D>isplay**. Play some notes and press a few buttons on your keyboard. You'll see descriptions of the MIDI messages, followed by the actual hex bytes received. As you play, the influx of MIDI data will start to scroll up as new commands push the old ones off the screen.
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- To enter the Bulk Hex Mode screen** Press **<D>isplay**. This displays as much MIDI Data as will fit on the screen with the status bytes highlighted.
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- To use History Mode** Press **H** and the status window at the top of the screen will indicate **History: ON**. Press **PgUp/PgDn** and you'll see the old MIDI information that scrolled off the screen. MIDI Terminal tells you if its input buffer overflows and if the history buffer is full. Use **<A>ll Reset** if MIDI Terminal fills up with data.
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- To send the contents of the History Buffer to an instrument** Press **<T>ransmit**.
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- To define MIDI byte strings** Press **SHIFT** and the number **1** key. This is the command to define MIDI string #1 on the #1 key. The other number keys 2 - 0 allow definition of midi strings #2 thru #10 in the same manner. The screen changes to show any previously defined strings along with the one currently being defined or edited in highlighted video. Type any sequence of hexadecimal bytes up to 22 bytes long, separated by spaces. The **INS** and **DEL** keys allow editing. **Ctrl-End** will clear to the end of the line. Press **<Return>** when the string is correct or **ESC** to cancel the definition.
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- To send a MIDI string** Press the number key used to define the string.
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- To activate the MIDI TIME CODE (MTC) Screen** Press **<M>** from any of the three MIDI terminal screen modes. Valid MTC entering the MIDI interface will be displayed.

MIDI Data Analyzer																
Clock enable: ON	RECEIVE										STOP	ACTIVE				
History: 637	Display mode: GRID										6213	6213				
Channel:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
OFF	...	59	62	36	...	...	...	...	...	42	...	...	...	...	...	...
ON PITCH	...	59	59	36	...	...	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	...	...
75 NOTE	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
CTL. NR	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
PRG ORG	...	13	27	65	13	0	0	0	0	125	0	0	0	0	0	0
OR PRR	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
NRW HL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
NRW NR	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spex:	SEX:		Song Flr: DC:				Song Scl: Sest:				Spx:					
MIDI Data Analyzer Menu																
ALL-Reset Clock-on Display History Panic Reset Transmit FILES																
MIDI-TIMECODE																

Grid Mode screen

MIDI Data Analyzer																
Clock enable: OFF	RECEIVE										STOP	ACTIVE				
History Pointer: 211	Display mode: FORMATTED TRACE															
Note On :	91	37	44													
Note Off :	81	37	40													
	83	26	40													
	82	3a	40													
	1021	39	40													
Note On :	99	2a	57													
	1091	23	71													
	92	28	71													
	92	26	71													
	1021	48	71													
Note Off :	71	2a	51													
	82	2a	40													
	99	2a	40													
	1091	23	40													
	82	2a	40													
	1021	48	40													
MIDI Data Analyzer Menu																
ALL-Reset Clock-on Display History Panic Reset Transmit FILES																
MIDI-TIMECODE																

Formatted Mode screen

MIDI Data Analyzer																				
Clock enable: OFF	RECEIVE										STOP	ACTIVE								
History Pointer: 624	Display mode: BULK HEX TRACE																			
38	48	38	68	43	40	38	62	28	62	43	40	38	48	38	40	28	75	25	77	
20	77	28	77	40	77	43	68	38	48	38	68	2A	40	25	40	43	48	38	48	38
40	37	43	40	37	48	28	40	28	57	3a	61	3a	48	2a	40	23	57	37	43	40
37	43	37	40	38	40	40	23	40	2A	75	23	77	20	71	26	77	26	77	23	77
38	51	43	40	38	40	43	40	2a	48	22	40	27	43	37	44	28	40	28	40	28
48	35	48	2a	57	23	77	20	77	28	77	48	77	3a	61	3a	48	2a	40	23	57
40	38	48	40	40	37	43	37	40	28	40	28	75	26	77	28	75	26	77	28	75
28	48	43	40	2a	43	26	40	37	43	2a	57	2a	57	2a	77	28	77	28	77	28
3a	40	28	43	48	40	43	48	28	40	27	43	2a	77	28	77	28	77	28	77	28
62	38	43	48	40	2a	48	23	40	28	40	28	57	2a	77	28	77	28	77	28	77
40	38	43	48	40	2a	48	23	40	28	40	28	57	2a	77	28	77	28	77	28	77
28	77	43	48	38	48	33	40	28	40	43	48	28	40	27	43	2a	77	28	77	28
40	28	40	2a	67	3a	61	3a	48	2a	40	23	57	37	43	37	43	37	43	37	43
27	40	40	40	23	40	28	40	2a	75	27	77	28	77	28	77	28	77	28	77	28
48	43	40	28	40	28	43	23	57	37	43	27	40	27	40	27	40	27	40	27	40
2a	57	23	77	20	77	40	77	3a	61	3a	61	3a	48	2a	40	23	57	37	43	40
48	38	40	27	43	27	44	28	40	2a	75	26	77	28	77	28	77	28	77	28	77
MIDI Data Analyzer Menu																				
ALL-Reset Clock-on Display History Panic Reset Transmit FILES																				
MIDI-TIMECODE																				

Bulk Mode screen

MIDI Timecode															
Clock enable: ON	RECEIVE										START	ACTIVE			
History: OFF	Total frame received: 0										0:0	0:0			
24 Frames/Second															
Frames:															
Timecode Reader Menu															
Frame Test															

MIDI Time Code screen



FIGURE 1: A screenshot of a software interface showing a grid or table with data points, possibly a calendar or project schedule.



FIGURE 2: A screenshot of a software interface showing a list of items or data entries, possibly a database or inventory list.



FIGURE 3: A screenshot of a software interface showing a complex data visualization or report, possibly a bar chart or detailed table.

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