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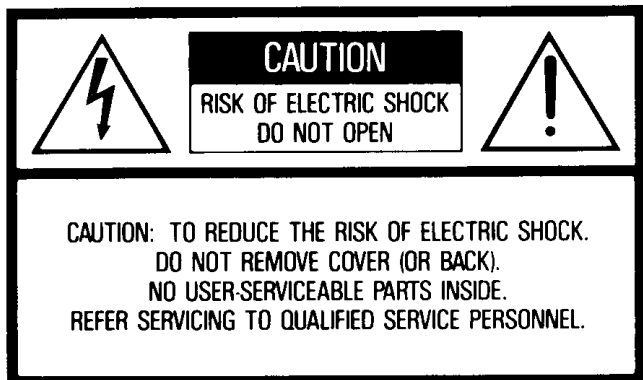
# **PTX8**

**PERCUSSION TONE GENERATOR  
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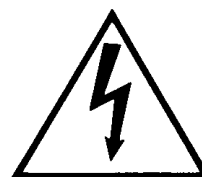
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# INTRODUCTION

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Thank you for purchasing the Yamaha PTX8 Percussion Tone Generator. The PTX8 is an 8-instrument multi-timbral tone generator that can be played from percussion pads (PSD8, PTT8, PBD8) or via MIDI. To make full use of the PTX8's capabilities, please read this manual carefully.

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## ***FEATURES***

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- \* Eight independent tone generators with eight pad inputs.
- \* 32 "kit" memories stored internally or in a cartridge.
- \* A sequence of memories can be programmed in a "Chain" and stepped through using a footswitch or pad.
- \* Percussive voices can be edited, and 64 different voices stored in internal memory.
- \* Control the PTX8 from another MIDI device (sequencer, rhythm machine or tone generator).
- \* Control another MIDI device (rhythm machine or tone generator) from pads connected to the PTX8.
- \* Cartridge interface for handy data storage and recall.

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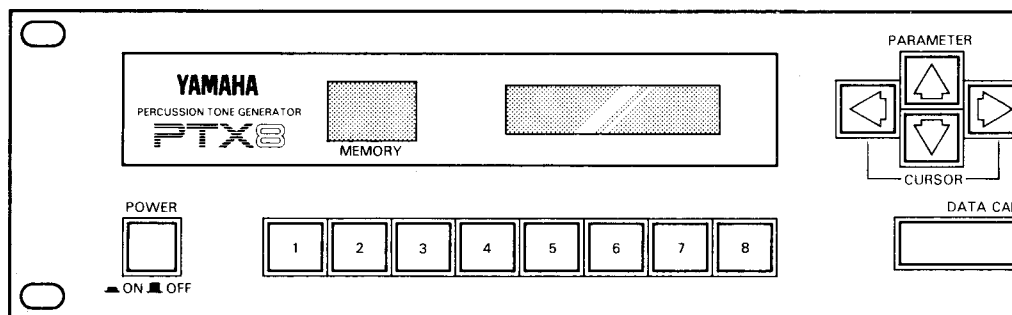
## ***PRECAUTIONS***

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- \* Avoid placing the unit in direct sunlight or close to a source of heat. Also, avoid locations where the unit is likely to be subjected to vibration, excessive dust, cold or moisture.
- \* Avoid applying excessive force to the switches, dropping or rough handling. While the internal circuitry is of reliable integrated circuit design, the unit should be treated with care.
- \* Always grip the plug directly when removing it from an AC receptacle. Removing the plug from the AC receptacle by pulling the cord can result in damage to the cord and possibly a short circuit. It is also a good idea to disconnect the unit from the AC receptacle if you don't plan to use it for an extended period of time.
- \* If necessary, clean the unit using a slightly damp cloth, and dry with a soft cloth. Never use solvents (such as benzine or thinner) since they can melt or discolor the finish.
- \* All computer circuitry, including the circuitry found in this unit, is sensitive to voltage spikes. For this reason, the unit should be turned off and unplugged from the AC receptacle in the even of an electrical storm. This precaution will avoid the chance that a high voltage spike caused by lightning will damage the unit.
- \* Computer circuitry is also sensitive to electromagnetic radiation. Be careful not to set it too close to equipment (such as a television set) that generates electromagnetic fields. Proximity to such equipment could cause malfunctions in the PTX8's digital circuitry and interfere with the operation of the other unit.
- \* When inserting a cartridge in the cartridge slot, make sure it is facing the correct way, and do not use excessive force.
- \* This unit contains no user servicable parts. Opening it or tampering with it can lead to electrical shock as well as damage, and will void the product warranty. Refer all servicing to qualified Yamaha personnel.

## FRONT/REAR PANEL

### FRONT PANEL



#### LED MEMORY NUMBER

The currently selected "kit memory" number is displayed here.

#### LCD

A two-line 16-character Liquid Crystal Display, illuminated for visibility.

#### PAD SELECT SWITCH 1-8

In VOICE EDIT mode, pressing a PAD SELECT switch will sound the tone generator for that pad. In other modes, these select the pad to be edited.

#### CURSOR (◀ ▶)

Move the blinking cursor to the data you want to modify.

#### PARAMETER (up/down)

Select the data that you want to modify.

#### MEMORY / DATA (NO/YES)

Select memories, change data values, or answer No/Yes to prompts in the LCD.

#### DATA CARTRIDGE

A RAM4 data cartridge inserted here can store the internal memory of the PTX8.

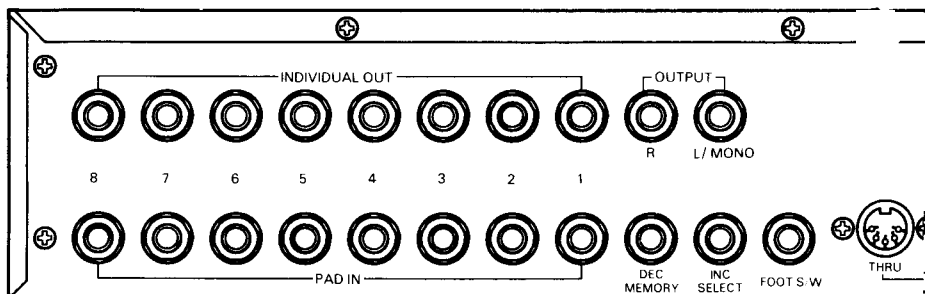
#### MEMORY (INTERNAL / CARTRIDGE)

Select Internal or Cartridge memories.

#### CHAIN

In CHAIN mode, you can use a footswitch or pad to cycle through a programmed "chain" of memories.

### REAR PANEL



#### INDIVIDUAL OUT 1-8

The audio signal from each pad is always sent from these outputs.

#### R / L MONO

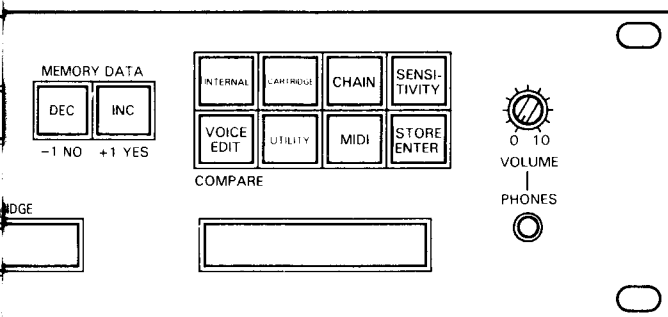
The combined signals from each pad are sent in stereo from these outputs. For a mono mix, use only the L jack. If a pad's INDIVIDUAL OUT is being used, it will not appear in this Mixed Output.

#### PAD IN 1-8

Connect Yamaha PSD8, PTT8 or PBD8 Percussion Pads to these inputs. A FC4/5 footswitch can also be used to trigger a pad.

#### MEMORY SELECT (DEC/INC)

Footswitches (eg. FC4/5) or percussion pads connected here can be used to select memory numbers or chain steps (down or up).



### SENSITIVITY

Adjust the sensitivity of each pad, and select a touch-response curve.

### VOICE EDIT/COMPARE

Create your own sounds.

While editing, you can Compare the edited data with the original data.

### UTILITY

Here are the functions dealing with memory (save, load, format and protect) and footswitch presets. You can also copy settings from one pad to another, or recall the Edit Buffer.

### MIDI

Settings here determine how the PTX8 sends and receives MIDI data.

### STORE/ENTER

This key is used to STORE a Voice or Memory, and also to ENTER a number.

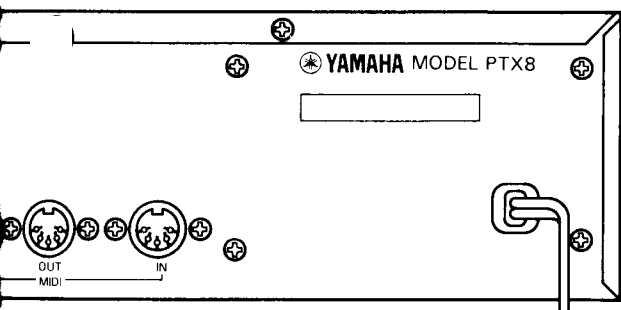
### WAVEFORM DATA CARTRIDGE

A cartridge of waveform data can be inserted here to provide additional waveforms in addition to the 26 inside the PTX8.

### VOLUME

### PHONES

A stereo headphone jack with volume control lets you hear the rear panel stereo output.



### FOOT SW

A footswitch (eg. FC4/5) connected here can be used to cycle through the steps in a Chain of Memories, or momentarily modify voices.

### MIDI THRU

All messages received at MIDI IN are re-transmitted unchanged from this terminal.

### MIDI OUT

Hitting a pad can send a Note On message from this terminal. PTX8 bulk data can also be transmitted from here.

### MIDI IN

Incoming Note On messages can play the PTX8, and Program Change messages can select PTX8 Kit Memories. Bulk data from another PTX8 can also be received here.

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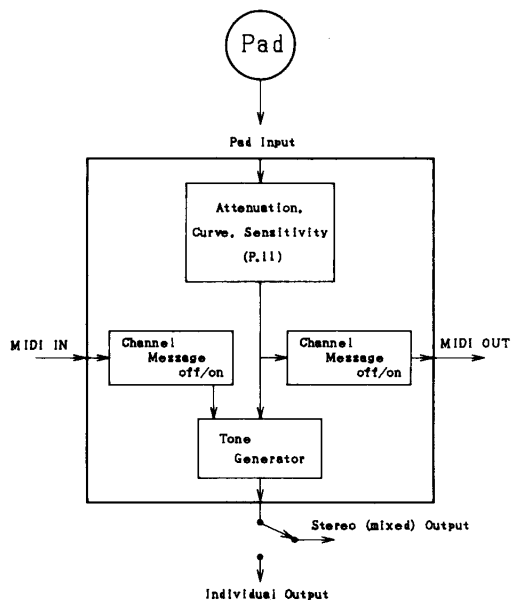
## ***HOW DOES THE PTX8 WORK?***

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The PTX8 contains 8 independent "tone generators". Each pad input is connected to its own tone generator. As the diagram below shows, you can play the PTX8 from a MIDI keyboard instead of using the pads. Or you can use pads connected to the PTX8 to play another MIDI instrument (eg. RX rhythm programmer, DX synthesizer or TX tone generator).




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### ***32 Kit Memories***

Each tone generator can play one of the 64 internal Voice Memories (see below) and have its own Pitch, Volume, and Touch Sensitivity settings. A combination of settings for the 8 tone generators is called a "Kit Memory"; a way to set up a drum kit. The PTX8 has 32 of these memories, and 32 more can be stored in a RAM4 data cartridge (sold separately).

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### ***64 Voice Memories***

Starting from 26 basic preset waveforms, you can create your own voices and store them in the 64 internal voice memories. (See VOICE EDIT, p.12.)

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### ***Outputs***

The PTX8 has mixed stereo L/R outputs and 8 individual outputs. When none of the individual outputs are being used, pads are panned across the stereo output as follows.

Left	Center	Right
3      4	1, 2, 7, 8	5      6

When an individual output is plugged in, its signal is removed from the stereo mix.

The headphone jack always has the same mix as the stereo outputs.

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### ***Pads***

Yamaha Percussion Pads PSD8 (snare), PTT8 (tom-tom) and PBD8 (bass drum) are separately available. The PSD8 has two outputs; rimshot and pad, and the PBD8 has a "kick" type pedal action. A footswitch FC4/5 also be connected to a Pad Input, but of course will have no touch sensitivity.



## **KIT MEMORY (INTERNAL / CARTRIDGE)**

This is the mode in which you will normally play the PTX8. Here you can select "Kit Memories" or set up your own. Press INT or CRT to select Internal or Cartridge memory and use the -1/+1 keys to select a memory 1-32. The PTX8 holds 32 of these 8-pad settings, and a RAM4 cartridge can be inserted in the DATA CARTRIDGE slot to hold 32 more.

Each memory contains the following data. (There is a blank chart on page 20 for your own settings.)

PAD	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Voice	Internal voice 1 - 64							
Level	0 - 31 (-31 - +31)							
Pitch	-360 - +240 (-600 - +600)							
Touch Pitch	-60 - +60							
Touch Attack	-99 - +99							
Touch Decay	-99 - +99							
Touch Reverse	-15 - +15							
MIDI Transmit Channel	1 - 16							
MIDI Note No.	0 - 127 (C -2 - G8)							
MIDI Program Change	off, 1-128							
MIDI Gate Time	1 - 255							

Press CURSOR ◀ ▶ to switch between Memory Select and Memory Edit.

Memory Select

◀ = CURSOR =▶

Memory Edit

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INT 5 Pad2:V=19
Select memory
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or

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INT 5 Pad2:V=19
Touch Rev = 0
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The lower line of the LCD shows "Select memory". The upper line shows the memory number (1-32) and each pad's voice number (V-1 to V-64). Press the Pad Select switches to see the Voice number each pad.

The lower line of the LCD shows a memory parameter (eg. Pitch, Level, Voice). Use PARAMETER UP/DOWN to cycle through the parameters and use -1/+1 to change the data. Press the Pad Select switches to see the data for each pad. Memory Edit parameters are listed below.

### **Memory Select**

Press INTERNAL or CARTRIDGE and the LCD will show the memory number in the upper left corner. Press CURSOR ◀ to make the lower line read "Select memory" and use -1/+1 to Select a memory. When you hit a pad, the pad LED will blink.

### **Memory Edit**

Press CURSOR ▶ to make the lower line show the parameter name, and use the PARAMETER UP/DOWN keys to step through the parameters. (They will continue in a loop.) Use the pad select keys 1-8 to select the pad you want to edit. Once a Kit Memory has been modified, the memory LED will show a decimal point, indicating that the data been modified.

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### ***The Edit Buffer***

When you select a Kit Memory, the data is read into a place called to Edit Buffer, and this data tells the PTX8 how to behave. Changes you make affect only this buffer, and are not permanent until you STORE the buffer into a memory. If while editing, you accidentally select another memory and wipe out the data you were working on, you can bring it back using the Recall Edit function (p.16).

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### ***Store Memory***

To store the current data (edited or not), press STORE. Use CURSOR ◀ ▶ to move the cursor, and use -1/+1 to select INT/CRT and memory 1-32. Press STORE again. If you are sure, press YES and the memory will be stored. (Memory Protect p.15 must be off.)

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### ***Voice***

1-64

Select the voice (Internal 1-64) that this pad will play. Cartridge voice memories cannot be used directly in a Kit Memory; you must first transfer them into internal memory. See Memory load on p.16.

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### ***Level***

0 - 31 (-31 - +31)

This is the volume of the tone generator. Data you enter here is shown in parentheses. This data is added to the Inst Level setting of the Voice Memory (p.13), and the resulting "effective" volume is displayed at the left.

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### ***Pitch***

-360 - +240 (-600 - +600)

Pitch can be set from -360 to +240 in steps of 10 cents; a range of 5 octaves. (120 steps equals one octave.) Data you enter here will be shown in parentheses. This data is added to the Pitch setting of the Voice Memory (p.13) and the result is displayed at the left. (The resulting pitch will stay within a range of -360 to +240.)

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### ***Touch Pitch***

-60 - +60

The strength of the hit can change the Pitch (p.13) in steps of 100 cents. For plus (+) settings, a stronger hit will raise the Pitch. For minus (-) settings, a stronger hit will lower the Pitch. When set to zero, touch will have no effect on the Pitch. (The resulting pitch will stay within a range of -3600 - +2400 cents.)

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### ***Touch Attack***

-99 - +99

The strength of the hit can change the Attack Rate (p.14). For plus (+) settings, a stronger hit will raise the Attack Rate (Faster Attack). For minus (-) settings, a stronger hit will lower the Attack Rate (Slower Attack). When set to zero, touch will have no effect on the Attack Rate. (The resulting Attack Rate will stay within a range of 1-99.)

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### ***Touch Decay***

-99 - +99

The strength of the hit can change the Decay Rate (p.14). For plus (+) settings, a stronger hit will raise the decay rate (Shorter Decay). For minus (-) settings, a stronger hit will lower the decay rate (Longer Decay). When set to zero, touch will have no effect on the Decay Rate. (The resulting Decay Rate will stay within a range of (1-99.)

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**Touch Rev**

-15 - +15

The strength of the hit can select normal or "reversed" sounds. This "Touch Rev" setting determines the switch point. At high settings (+), only strong hits will reverse the sound. At low settings (-), soft hits will be reversed. When set to zero, touch will have no effect on Reverse.

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**MIDI Tr CH**

This determines the MIDI channel of the Note On/Off and Program Change messages discussed below. Each pad can transmit on a different channel and control a different external tone generator. (Multi-timbral tone generators such as the TX802, TX81Z and FB-01 can act as up to 8 independent tone generators receiving different channels, and are especially suitable for use with the PTX8.)

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**MIDI NOTE**

0-127 (C-2 - G8)

When a pad is hit, a MIDI Note On message can be transmitted. MIDI NOTE determines the Note Number of this message. Devices such as RX rhythm programmers will play a different instrument (bass drum, snare, etc.) for each different incoming MIDI Note. (See the RX owner's manual for the note numbers.) Devices such as DX/TX tone generators usually play different notes (with the same voice) for each incoming MIDI Note.

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**MIDI P.C.**

off, 1 - 128

A MIDI Program Change can be automatically sent when a PTX8 Memory is selected. This can be used to select a voice on the external MIDI tone generator that is played by this pad.

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**MIDI G.T.**

1 - 255

As explained above in "MIDI NOTE" and "MIDI Tr CH", you can send a MIDI Note On message when a pad is hit. A Note Off message must follow each Note On, and MIDI G.T. (Gate Time) sets the time between the transmitted Note On/Off messages. Some voices of external tone generators may require a longer time to sound correctly. Adjust this setting to suit the voices of the external device.

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**Initialize**

You can initialize the pad you are editing to the setting described below. The Voice Number will stay the same. (As with any editing operation, this affects only the edit buffer.)

Level	0	MIDI ch	1
Pitch	0	Note	60
Touch P	0	P.C.	off
Touch A	0	G.T.	100
Touch D	0		
Touch R	0		

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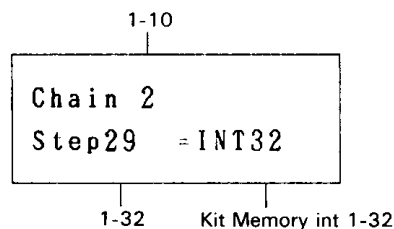
## CHAIN

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You can set a "chain of memories" to automatically cycle through each time you press a footswitch. For example, if you wanted to use memories 12, 5, 32 and 20 in a song (eg. intro, verse, chorus, fill in). You could make a chain using these 4 memories, and use a footswitch to change kits at the appropriate moment. The PTX8 can remember 10 different chains. Each chain may have up to 32 steps. Chain data can be saved to and loaded from a cartridge. See Memory Save/Load on p.15. Move the cursor using CURSOR ◀ ▶ and use +1/-1 to select Chain number, Step number or Kit Memory number. (Only Internal Kit Memories can be used in a chain.)




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### ***Select Memory for each Step***

Select the Step number you want and move the cursor to the Kit Memory. When you use -1/+1 to select a Kit Number for that step, the "INT" display will change to "int", indicating that the data has been modified. Press ENTER, and you will automatically go on to the next Step number.

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### ***Ending a Chain***

By specifying the End of the Chain, you can make a chain of any length (up to 32 steps). Move the cursor to the Step number and press ENTER. The LCD will show "End!", and the currently selected Kit Memory will be the end of the chain.

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### ***Cycling Through a Chain***

When the cursor is at the Step number, each press of the footswitch will cycle through the chain of Kit Memories. A footswitch connected to the rear panel Footswitch jack will step upwards.

A footswitch OR percussion pad connected to the rear panel MEMORY SELECT INC/DEC jacks can be used to step up or down.

Depending on the position of the cursor, the footswitch can select Chain, Step or Memory. The rear panel Memory Select INC/DEC will always select the Step number.

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## SENSITIVITY

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You can adjust the sensitivity of each pad to fit your playing style. Press PARAMETER UP/DOWN to switch between "Sens Curve" and "Sens - ATT". Use the CURSOR ◀ ▶ keys to move between Sensitivity and Attenuation.

These settings are not part of Memories 1-32; they are set for the entire PTX8. To have a different sensitivity for each kit would make things rather difficult for the percussionist!

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### ***Attenuation***

off/on

This can be switched on to decrease the level of the signal from the pad. If you tend to hit a certain pad especially strongly, you may want to switch its Attenuation On.

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### ***Sensitivity***

1-32

Normal setting is 16, which gives you the full range of expression. Lower settings mean that even the strongest hit will not reach full volume. Higher settings mean that even the softest hit will not reach minimum volume.

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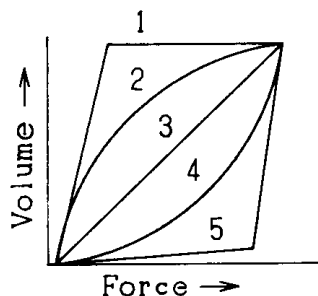


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### ***Curve***

1-5

You can select the response curve (1-5) of each pad as shown in the figure below.



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## VOICE EDIT

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This is where you can create your own sounds. The PTX8 can hold 64 different sounds in its Voice Memories 1-64, and 64 more in a RAM4 cartridge. Each Voice Memory contains the following data. (There is a blank chart on p.21 for your own settings.)

Wave	Internal: BD1 ... E. Tom4, Cartridge: ...
Inst Level	0-31
Pitch	-3,600 - +2,400 cents
Attack Rate	1-99
Decay 1 Rate	1-99
Decay 1 Level	1-31
Decay 2 Rate	1-99
Release Rate	1-99
Gate Time	100 - 6500 msec
Bend Rate	0-60
Bend Range	-60 - 0 - +60
Sound Loop	on/off

There are 26 basic waveforms (Bass Drum, Snare, Rim Shot, etc.) in the PTX8, and a Waveform Data Cartridge (not included) can contain additional waveforms. To create a PTX8 "voice", start with one of these waveforms and set pitch, envelope, bend, and etc.

The lighted Pad Select LED indicates which voice you are editing (pad 1-8). In EDIT mode, you can sound any of the tone generators 1-8 by pressing the Pad Select keys.

Use the PARAMETER UP/DOWN keys to move through the different parameters and use DATA -1/+1 to change the settings.

You can use the CURSOR ◀ ▶ keys to move between selecting the Voice Number or the parameters.

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### VOICE EDIT BUFFER

Once you modify the data, the "Edit" displayed in the LCD will change to "edit", indicating that the data has been modified. When you select a voice, the data is read into a place called the Voice Edit Buffer. Changes you make will affect this buffer, and are not "permanent" until you STORE the buffer into a voice memory (Internal or Cartridge 1-64).

If while editing, you accidentally select another memory and wipe out the data you were working on, you can bring it back using the Recall Edit function (p.16).

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### COMPARE

While editing, you can press the COMPARE (VOICE EDIT) key to hear and see the original voice data. The "e" EDIT in the LCD will have a bar over it, indicating the original data. To return, press COMPARE again.

Original data	Modified	Compare original
Edit Voice = 64 Pitch=+1200 cent	edit Voice = 64 Pitch=+1200 cent	<u>e</u> dit Voice = 64 Pitch=+1200 cent

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### STORE VOICE

To store the current data (edited or not), press STORE. Use CURSOR ◀ ▶ to move the cursor, and use -1/+1 to select INT/CRT and memory 1-64. Press STORE again. If you are sure, press YES and the memory will be stored. (Memory Protect p.15 must be off.)

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### ***Init Voice***

When programming your own original voice, it is sometimes easier to start with a "basic" setting. This function will set the voice parameters to a standard setting most suitable for the currently selected wave form. Press YES, and if you are sure, press YES again. The LCD will show "Initialized!" Inst Level will be set to 27, and Gate Time to 6500 msec. Other parameters will differ according to the waveform.

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### ***Voice Select***

#### Internal 1-64

If you want to start with an existing voice, use this to select from internal, voice memories 1-64. Page 19 has a list of the voice memories inside the PTX8 when it was shipped.

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### ***Wave Select***

Use -1/+1 to select from the following waveforms. If a Waveform Date Cartridge is inserted, you will have additional waveform to choose from.

Acoustic-type		Electric-type	
Bass Drum	1 - 4 (BD)	Bass Drum	1 - 4 (E, BD)
Snare Drum	1 - 4 (SD)	Snare Drum	1 - 4 (E, SD)
Rim Shot	1, 2 (Rim)	Tom	1 - 4 (E, Tom)
Tom	1 - 4 (Tom)		

#### Note

To use a Cartridge Waveform;

- 1) The cartridge must be inserted before the power is turned on.
- 2) The same cartridge used when creating the voice must be inserted.
- 3) You must reply NO to the "Different CRT" prompt.

If any of the above three conditions are true, that voice will not sound, and the display will show "Different Wave!". The wave name will be displayed as "Wave=CRT-\*\*\*\*\* " when you press INTERNAL or CARTRIDGE, and as "Voice Number=\*\* " in VOICE EDIT mode. (Each wave ROM has a "hidden" I.D. number which is automatically checked.)

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### ***Inst Level***

#### 0-31

This is the volume of the voice. It will be combined with the Level setting in the Kit Memory (see p.8).

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### ***Pitch***

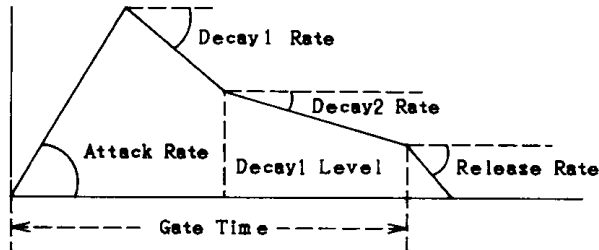
#### -3,600 - +2,400

The pitch of a voice can be adjusted in steps of 10 cents over a range of 5 octaves. (1200 cents = 1 octave) It will be combined with the pitch setting in the Kit Memory (see p.8).

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**Attack Rate**  
**Decay 1 Rate**  
**Decay 1 Level**  
**Decay 2 Rate**  
**Release Rate**  
**Gate Time**

These 6 parameters determine the Envelope (shape in time) of the sound, Rates are the "speed" of change, adjustable 1-99, and Decay 1 Level is adjustable 1-60. Gate Time (100 – 6500 msec) is the time until the Release Rate begins. If this Envelope is longer than the waveform, Sound Loop see below should be turned On.




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**Bend Rate**

0-60

This sets the speed of the automatic pitch-bend (see below).

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**Bend Range**

-60 - 0 - +60

An automatic pitch-bend can be programmed for each voice. Minus settings (-) will make a downward bend, Plus settings (+) will make an upward bend. If either Bend Rate or Bend Range is 0, there will be no effect.

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**Sound Loop**

on/off

The waveforms (BD, SD, etc.) last for only a short time (usually about 0.5 second). If you want a sound to last longer (i.e. if the total Envelope is longer than the original waveform), you must Loop the waveform. (The best looping points for each waveform have been preset, but some unevenness is inevitable when the loop point repeats.)



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## UTILITY

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Here are the functions dealing with memory (cartridge save and load) and footswitch settings.

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### **Memory Protect**

To store data into Internal or Cartridge memory, Memory Protect must be off. Use CURSOR ◀ ▶ to move the cursor and press NO/YES to switch protect off/on.

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### **Memory Save**

You can save part or all of the PTX8 internal memory to a RAM 4 data cartridge inserted in the DATA CARTRIDGE slot. Press -1/+1 to select ALL, Memory, Voice, or Chain data. Then press STORE. If you are sure, press YES, and the selected data will be saved into the cartridge. (The Cartridge Memory protect must be off, and the cartridge must be correctly Formatted to accept PTX8 data.)

Memory: 32 Kit Memories  
 Voice: 64 Voice Memories  
 Chain: 10 Chain Memories  
 All: The above three.

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### **Memory Load**

PTX8 in a RAM4 cartridge can be loaded into internal memory. As with Memory Save, press -1/+1 to select the data to be loaded. Then press STORE. If you are sure, press YES and the selected data will be loaded into internal memory. (Internal Memory protect must be off.)

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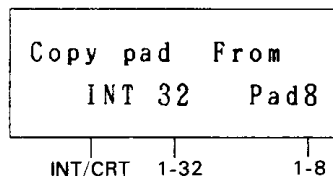
### **Format Cartridge**

Before a RAM4 cartridge can be used to Save data, it must be Formatted. This will erase any data that it previously contained. Insert a RAM4 cartridge into the DATA CARTRIDGE slot and press YES. If you are sure, press YES, and the cartridge will be formatted.

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### **Pad Copy**

When setting up your own Kit Memory (p.7) it is often convenient to copy the settings for one pad to another pad. This function allows you to copy a pad setting from any pad in any Kit Memory (INT/CRT 1-64) to the pad you are now editing; i.e. the pad indicated by the Pad LED. (You can select the copy destination by pressing Pad Select 1-8). Move the cursor (CURSOR ◀ ▶) and use -1/+1 to select the copy source. Then press STORE. If you are sure, press YES, and the data will be copied.



Remember that modifications you make (including this Pad Copy) affect only the Edit Buffer, and are not permanent until Stored into a Kit Memory (INT/CRT 1-32). To Store, see p.8.

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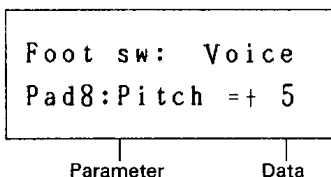
## **Foot Switch Select**

You can use a footswitch (such as the FC4/5) plugged in to the FOOTSWITCH jack to either 1) Select memories (in CHAIN mode) or 2) Momentarily modify Voice Settings. Move the cursor to the upper line and use NO/YES to select Memory or Voice.

**Memory:** When you are in CHAIN mode (p.10), pressing the footswitch will cycle through the memories in the same way as if you press +1.

**Voice:** You can program a set of "alternative" voice settings to be effective for as long as you hold down the foot switch. When you release the foot switch, the voice will return to normal.

Memory/Voice



Move the cursor to the Parameter name and use -1/+1 to select Parameters. Move the cursor to the data and use -1/+1 to set data values. All these settings can be made independently for each pad by pressing the Pad Select switches 1-8. Thus pressing the footswitch could make one pad go up in pitch and another go down.

Pitch	-60 - +60	Pitch (p.8, 13) can be changed in steps of 100 cents by pressing the footswitch.
Decay	-99 - +99	The Decay Rate (p.14) can be made slower or faster by pressing the footswitch.
Bend Rate	-60 - +60	The Bend Rate (p.14) can be made slower or faster by pressing the footswitch.
Bend Range	-120 - +120	Bend Range can be changed in steps of 100 cents (p.14) by pressing the footswitch.
Reverse	on/off	When this is On, the voice will be reversed while you press the footswitch.

The PTX8 holds only one set of these footswitch settings for each pad 1-8, and they will be used no matter which Kit Memory is selected.

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## **Recall Edit**

If while editing (voice or kit memory) you accidentally select another memory and wipe out the data you were working on, you can recall the edited data using this function. Press -1/+1 to select the data you want to recall; Memory or Voice. Press ENTER, and if you are sure, press YES. The data will be recalled, and you will automatically jump to the appropriate editing mode.

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## *MIDI*

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Settings here determine how the PTX8 reacts to incoming MIDI messages.

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### ***Ch. Message***

off/on

When this is off, the PTX8 will neither send nor receive Note On/Off or Program Change messages. (When this is Off, the following 4 settings will not be displayed.)

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### ***Receive Ch.***

Omni, 1-16 for each pad

MIDI Note On/Off and Program Change messages on this channel will be received. When Omni is selected, messages on all channels will be received.

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### ***Receive Key On Pad***

off/on for each pad 1-8

Note On/Off reception can be switched off/on for each pad.

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### ***Program Change***

off/on

When this is On, incoming Program Change messages can select PTX8 Kit Memories as follows;

1:INT 1, 2:INT 2, ... 64:CRT 32, 65:INT 1 ... 128:CRT 32.

When there is no cartridge, INT memories will be selected instead of CRT.

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### ***Device Number***

off, 1-16

Bulk Data (see below) carries an identification code 1-16 called the Device Number, and will be received only by a device with a matching Device Number. This allows several PTX8s in a single system to receive Bulk Data independently. When Device Number is Off, incoming Bulk Data will not be received.

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### ***Transmit Bulk***

When you answer YES, the PTX8 will transmit its internal memory as follows; 64 voices, 32 "Kit" memories, 10 chain memories. This data can be received by another PTX8 or by a MIDI bulk data storage device such as the MDF1 MIDI Data Filer.

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### ***Request Bulk***

When you answer YES, the PTX8 will send a Dump Request message from MIDI OUT, causing another PTX8 to transmit its own memory. If two PTX8s are connected (both MIDI INs to both MIDI OUTs), this allows you to quickly copy the entire memory of one PTX8 into the other. The PTX8 will receive incoming PTX8 Bulk Data at any time as long as the Device Number matches and its Memory Protect (p.15) is off.

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## SPECIFICATIONS

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Tone Generation .....	12 bit companded PCM wave memory Variable Pitch: -3 - +2 octaves (10 cent steps) Variable envelope
Voices .....	Internal : 26 ROM cartridge : maximum 28
Memory type and size .....	Internal Voice : 64 Kit : 32 Chain (32 step) : 10 RAM cartridge Voice : 64 Kit : 32 Chain (32 step) : 10
Display .....	LCD : 16 character x 2 line, illuminated LED : 7 segment x 2 digit with decimal place (Kit number display) LED : pad select x 8
Inputs .....	Pad inputs 1-8
Outputs .....	Individual pad line outputs 1-8 Stereo output R, L/MONO Stereo headphone jack (8 ohms or greater)
Control terminals .....	Increment Decrement Foot switch
MIDI terminals .....	IN, OUT, THRU
Dimensions .....	480 x 295.5 x 90.1 mm (W x D x H) (2 rack spaces)
Weight .....	5.4 kg
Power Consumption .....	15 W
Power Requirements .....	U.S. and Canadian models: 120 V 50/60 Hz General model: 220 V/240 V 50Hz
Optional Accessories .....	PTT8/PSD8/PBD8 Percussion Pad FC4/FC5/Foot Switch RAM4 Data Cartridge

## WAVEFORM LIST

1	BD 1	Normal bass drum
2	BD 2	Resonant bass drum
3	BD 3	Slightly metallic bass drum
4	BD 4	Muffled bass drum
5	SD 1	5 1/2 inch snare
6	SD 2	Piccolo snare with rim shot
7	SD 3	6 1/2 inch snare
8	SD 4	Muted snare
9	Rim 1	Bossanova-type rim shot
10	Rim 2	Bright and tight rim shot
11	Tom 1	High tom
12	Tom 2	High mid tom
13	Tom 3	Low mid tom
14	Tom 4	Low tom
15	E.BD 1	Electric bass drum with strong attack
16	E.BD 2	Electric bass drum with soft attack
17	E.BD 3	Electric bass drum with noise
18	E.BD 4	Electric bass drum like a chunk of wood
19	E.SD 1	Sharp electric snare
20	E.SD 2	Metallic electric snare
21	E.SD 3	Tom-like electric snare
22	E.SD 4	Unique electric snare
23	E.Tom 1	High electric tom with bend
24	E.Tom 2	Fairly high electric tom with bend
25	E.Tom 3	Fairly low electric tom with slight bend
26	E.Tom 4	Low electric tom

## PRESET KIT MEMORIES

1	Acoustic 1	Normal acoustic drum kit
2	Acoustic 2	Normal acoustic drum kit with different snare
3	Acoustic 3	Normal acoustic drum kit with different snare
4	Acoustic 4	Set with tuned toms
5	Acoustic 5	Overall high-tuned tom set
6	Acoustic 6	Overall low-tuned tom set
7	Electric 1	Bright electric toms with bend
8	Electric 2	Lower tuning than number 7
9	Electric 3	Tight electric toms with slight bend
10	Electric 4	Low, solid electric toms
11	Electric 5	Number 7 with different BD, SD
12	Electric 6	Number 8 with different BD, SD
13	Electric 7	Number 9 with different BD, SD
14	Electric 8	Number 10 with different BD, SD
15	Electric 8	Number 8 with different BD, SD and unique snare
16	Mix 1	Acoustic bass drum and snare, electric toms
17	Effect 1	Except for bass drum, touch affects pitch
18	Effect 2	Snare is always reversed, toms reverse for strong hits

(Kit Memories 19 – 32 have the same data as 1-14.)

PTX8 KIT MEMORY CHART

Kit No./Name

PAD	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Voice								
Level								
Pitch								
Touch Pitch								
Touch Attack								
Touch Decay								
Touch Reverse								
MIDI Transmit Channel								
MIDI Note No.								
MIDI Program Change								
MIDI Gate Time								

Kit No./Name

PAD	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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Touch Attack								
Touch Decay								
Touch Reverse								
MIDI Transmit Channel								
MIDI Note No.								
MIDI Program Change								
MIDI Gate Time								

Name	
Wave	
Inst Level	
Pitch	
Attack Rate	
Decay 1 Rate	
Decay 1 Level	
Decay 2 Rate	
Release Rate	
Gate Time	
Bend Rate	
Bend Range	
Sound Loop	

Name	
Wave	
Inst Level	
Pitch	
Attack Rate	
Decay 1 Rate	
Decay 1 Level	
Decay 2 Rate	
Release Rate	
Gate Time	
Bend Rate	
Bend Range	
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Sound Loop	

[ Percussion tone generator ]

Model PTX8 MIDI Implementation Chart Version : 1.0

Function ...	Transmitted	Recognized	Remarks
Basic Default	1 - 16	1 - 16	memorized
Channel Changed	1 - 16	1 - 16	
Mode Default	3	1, 3	memorized
Mode Messages	x	x	
Mode Altered	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	x	
Note	0 - 127	0 - 127	
Number : True voice	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	x	
Velocity Note ON	o 9nH,v=1-127	o v=1-127	
Velocity Note OFF	x 8nH,v=64	x	
After Key's	x	x	
Touch Ch's	x	x	
Pitch Bender	x	x	
	x	x	
Control			
Change			
Prog	o 0 - 127	o 0 - 127	
Change : True #	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	0 - 63	32-63:Cartridge
System Exclusive	o	o	Setup data
System : Song Pos	x	x	
System : Song Sel	x	x	
Common : Tune	x	x	
System : Clock	x	x	
Real Time : Commands	x	x	
Aux : Local ON/OFF	x	x	
Aux : All Notes OFF	x	x	
Mes- : Active Sense	o	o	
sages:Reset	x	x	
Notes			
Mode 1 : OMNI ON, POLY	Mode 2 : OMNI ON, MONO	o : Yes	
Mode 3 : OMNI OFF, POLY	Mode 4 : OMNI OFF, MONO	x : No	



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