

## FM Minimal program

```
#include <OPA.h>
OPA opa;
void setup() {
  opa.enable();
}
void loop() {
  opa.noteOn(OPA_PROGRAM_0, 60);
  delay(1000);
  opa.noteOff(OPA_PROGRAM_0, 60);
  delay(1000);
}
```

## Program parameters

00: OPA_PROGRAM_NAME	Program ASCII name (8 characters)
08: OPA_PROGRAM_ALGORITHM	Carrier modulator routing
09: OPA_PROGRAM_VOLUME	Master level
10: OPA_PROGRAM_PANNING	Position in stereo field

## Operators parameters

00: OPA_OP_VOLUME	Output or modulation level
01: OPA_OP_COARSE	Coarse pitch (semitones)
02: OPA_OP_FINE	Fine pitch (128th of semi)
03: OPA_OP_ENVATTACK	Attack time
04: OPA_OP_ENVDECAY	Decay time
05: OPA_OP_ENVSUSTAINLEVEL	Sustain level
06: OPA_OP_ENVINITLEVEL	Initial level
07: OPA_OP_ENVRELEASE	Release time
08: OPA_OP_LFOSPEED	Modulation speed
09: OPA_OP_LFOAMOUNT	Modulation intensity
10: OPA_OP_FEEDBACK	Feedback level (only op. 4)
11: OPA_OP_FLAGS	Additional flags

## Kit parameters

00: OPA_SAMPLE_VOLUME	Output level
01: OPA_SAMPLE_PANNING	Stereo panning
02: OPA_SAMPLE_DECAY	Decay time

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#include <OPA.h>
OPA opa;
void setup() {
  opa.enable();
}
void loop() {
  for(int i=0; i < 32; i++){
    opa.noteOn(OPA_PROGRAM_DRUMS, 60 + i);
    delay(250);
  }
}
```

## Kit Samples by [loopmasters.com](http://loopmasters.com)

00: AnKick	16: Ride 1
01: AnRimshot	17: Ride 2
02: AnSnare	18: GB Perc 1
03: AnClaps	19: GB Perc 2
04: AnCloseHH	20: Hit 1
05: AnOpenHH	21: Hit 2
06: AnMaracas	22: Shaker
07: AnCowbell	23: Agogo
08: AcKick	24: Bougaraboo High
09: AcRimshot	25: Bougaraboo Low
10: AcSnare	26: Tabla High
11: AcSticks	27: Tabla Low
12: Closed hithat	28: Conga High
13: Opened hithat	29: Conga Low
14: Mid tom	30: Cabassa
15: Low tom	31: Egg

## Interface

57600 bauds, 8-bit serial, 1 stop bit, no parity  
 RX on Digital 0, TX on Digital 1,  
 CS1 on Digital 2, CS2 on Digital 3  
 SWAP Digital 4, RESET Digital 7  
 Compatible with both 5V or 3V3 logic

## Internal links

### Project website:

<http://fredslab.net/opa>

### OPA Editor sources:

<https://github.com/Marzac/OPA-Editor>

### OPA Arduino library:

<https://github.com/Marzac/OPA-Library>

### Arduino IDE

<https://www.arduino.cc/en/Main/Software>

## How to sequence music from a computer

OPA can be used as an external MIDI compatible synthesizer to play back songs composed on any kind of computer.

The OPA shield itself is not a MIDI instrument so it needs an interface. For PC like platforms (running *Windows*, *Mac Os* or *Linux*) the **OPA Editor** allows in-depth program parameters edition and provides the communication interface.

### Installation steps are:

- 1) Install the **OPA Editor** for your operating system.
- 2) Install the **Arduino IDE** (software).
- 3) Insert your **OPA Shield** on your Arduino board and connect it to your computer using a USB cable.
- 4) Transfer the **EditorBridge** sketch to your Arduino. (Sketch can be found in the **OPA Editor** archive)
- 5) For *Windows only*, install a virtual MIDI port driver such as **loopMIDI** or **virtualMIDI**. Create a virtual MIDI port and name it OPA.
- 5) For *MAC only*, go to **Audio MIDI Setup application** and create a MIDI bus for the **OPA Editor**.
- 5) For *Linux only*, use a suitable **ALSA** configuration tool to create a virtual MIDI port.
- 6) Launch the **OPA-Editor**.

In the **OPA-Editor > Connection menu**, select the *serial port* corresponding to your Arduino board and the appropriate virtual MIDI port to receive MIDI messages.

Use the virtual MIDI port in your favorite sequencer!

## How to use sensors to control parameters

One of the **OPA Shield** strengths is to be controllable by the Arduino board. Program parameters can be modified, in realtime, within your sketches using inputs from various sensors.

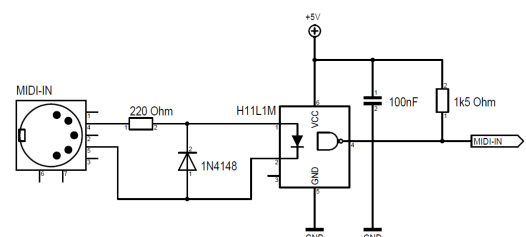
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OPA opa;
void setup() {
  opa.enable();
  opa.noteOn(OPA_PROGRAM_0, 60);
}

void loop() {
  int sensor1 = analogRead(0) >> 2;
  int sensor2 = analogRead(1) >> 2;

  opa.writeOperatorParam(
    OPA_PROGRAM_0, OPA_OPERATOR_0,
    OPA_OP_COARSE, sensor1);
  opa.writeOperatorParam(
    OPA_PROGRAM_0, OPA_OPERATOR_0,
    OPA_OP_VOLUME, sensor2);
}
```

## How to attach a MIDI DIN connector

To use the **OPA Shield** with MIDI controllers or hardware sequencers, you need to build a tiny circuit.



This circuit isolates signals and allows proper connection between MIDI compatible gear and Arduino based projects. The Arduino sketch needs to process MIDI messages to send commands to the **OPA Shield**. Examples can be found in the OPA Arduino Library subfolders.