

Arpology

A 4-voice arpeggiating synth, with an auto-improvisation feature.

How to use:

- 1) Press a piano key and Arpology will play a 4-voice arpeggiating pattern based on what note you are pressing.
- 2) To shift the keyboard up an octave *tap* the right button.
To shift the keyboard down an octave *tap* the left button.
- 3) Arpology uses two separate User Interface (U/I) "frames." A U/I frame determines which parameters are controlled by the onboard pots. The two U/I frames for Arpology are:
 - 1) The Envelope Frame (BLUE LED is on)

Top Pot controls envelope attack
Bottom Pot controls envelope decay/sustain.
 - 2) The Arpeggiator Frame (RED LED is on)

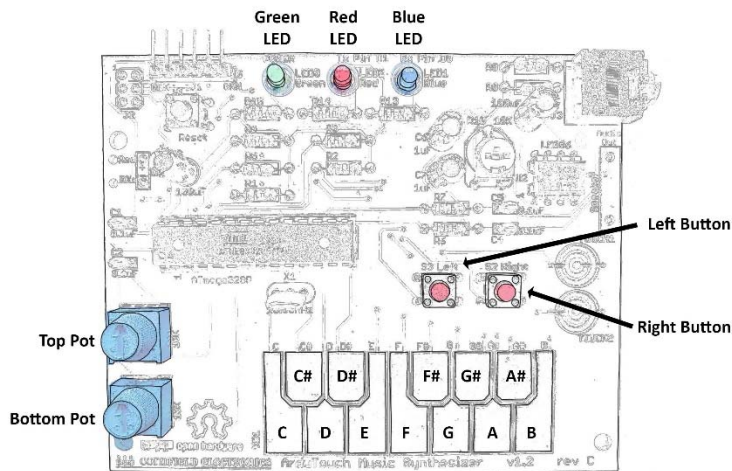
Top Pot selects arpeggiation pattern.
Bottom Pot controls arpeggiation rate.
- 4) To switch between U/I frames, *press* the left or right buttons.
Pressing the right button selects the Envelope Frame.
Pressing the left button selects the Arpeggiator Frame.
- 5) To activate the automatic improviser *double-tap* the left button. Arpology now "plays itself." The LED for the current frame will begin flashing, indicating that the auto-improviser is on. While the auto-improviser is on, Arpology will not respond to key presses. To turn off the auto-improviser *double-tap* the left button again.

6) There are 10 presets for Arpology. These can be selected by *double-tapping* the right button and then pressing one of the following piano keys:

- C (0) - turn off all vibrato and panning effects
- C# (1) - add vibrato to high voices
- D (2) - use a slow panning effect
- D# (3) - use a medium-speed panning effect
- E (4) - use a fast panning effect
- F (5) - play "Ambia", a slow moving improv
- F# (6) - use a major tonality
- G (7) - play "Streaker", a fast moving improv
- G# (8) - use a minor tonality
- A (9) - reset Arpology to its initial state

Types of button presses:

- Tap:* quickly tap a button
- Press:* long-press a button
- Double-Tap:* quickly double-tap a button



Programming Notes:

- 1) Arpology is meant to be compiled using the "Stand-alone" runtime model. Otherwise, the LEDs will not operate. This runtime model can be set by uncommenting the "#define __STNDLONE__" statement in Model.h of the ArduTouch library.