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# ELSE - EL Locus Solus' Externals

**ELSE** is an external library for the Pure Data programming language;  
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## Version 1.0 beta-28 (Released june 6th 2020)

Needs Pd **0.51.0** or above

This project is still in a beta phase, where drastic changes may occur and backwards compatibility is not guaranteed until a final release is available. Find the latest and all releases at: <https://github.com/porres/pd-else/releases>.

## Acknowledgements

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"**EL Locus Solus**" organizes cultural events/concerts and music technology courses ( ) <http://alexandre-torres.wixsite.com/el-locus-solus> ) where a Live Electronics tutorial is provided with examples in Pure Data for its courses. These have just been translated and completely rewritten to english with plans of being accompanied by a book. The first versions are available at: <https://github.com>

[om/porres/Live-Electronic-Music-Tutorial](#). This tutorial it solely depends on the ELSE library and it is a great didactic companion to this library. Both the library and the tutorial are provided as a single download, directly from Pure Data or GitHub.

These examples were first developed for the now abandoned Pd Extended, making extensive use of the existing objects available in Pd Extended's libraries. Even though Pd Extended had many externals, there was the need at some point for something "else" – thus, this library emerged with the goal of providing more objects to include missing functionalities in the Pd Ecosystem.

But the library grew to encompass functionalities found in other Pd objects/libraries from old Pd Extended as well, with a different design and more functionalities. This was done in order to remove ALL the dependencies of the didactic material from these other libraries – with the goal to rely on just a single library that's alive (in active development) instead of many projects that are now long gone abandoned or not receiving attention. I'm also involved in maintaining Cyclone, a legacy library for Pd (see: <https://github.com/porres/pd-cyclone>). But ELSE also supersedes cyclone for the purposes of this didactic material.

The goal of ELSE also outgrew the didactic material and includes now objects not necessarily depicted in the computer music examples. Moreover, even basic elements from Pd Vanilla are being redesigned into new objects. So that's it, ELSE is becoming a quite big library and keeps growing and growing.

It will still take a little while for ELSE to stabilize into a final version. For now, it's at an early "Beta" stage of development, where drastic changes may occur and backwards compatibility is not guaranteed until a final release is available.

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## Downloading ELSE:

Look for the latest releases in <https://github.com/porres/pd-else/releases> – but ELSE is also available via Pd's external manager (In Pd, just go for Help => Find Externals and search for 'else'). Note that since version 1.0 beta 28, the downloads of ELSE also contain the live electronics tutorial mentioned above as part of the package. If you're downloading from Pd, searching for either 'else' or 'live electronics tutorial' gets you to the same download.

## Installing ELSE:

This release needs Pd Vanilla 0.51-0 or above (Pd Extended/Purr Data aren't supported). ELSE comes as a set of separate binaries and abstractions, so it works if you just add its folder to the path. Nonetheless, it can also be loaded as a library via "Preferences => Startup" or with [declare -lib else], and this is the

official way of loading 'else' - even though that all this does is just print the library information on Pd's terminal window.

### **Building ELSE for Pd Vanilla:**

ELSE relies on the build system called "pd-lib-builder" by Katja Vetter (check the project in: <https://github.com/pure-data/pd-lib-builder>). PdLibBuilder tries to find the Pd source directory at several common locations, but when this fails, you have to specify the path yourself using the `pdincludepath` variable. Example:

```
make pdincludepath=~/.pd-0.51-0/src/ (for  
Windows/MinGW add 'pdbinpath=~/.pd-0.51-0/bin/')
```

- Installing with `pdlibbuilder`

Go to the `pd-else` folder and use "objectsdir" to set a relative path for your build, something like:

```
make install objectsdir=../else-build
```

Then move it to your preferred install folder for Pd and add it to the path.

Cross compiling is also possible with something like this

```
make CC=arm-linux-gnueabihf-gcc  
target.arch=arm7l install objectsdir=../
```

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## **Current Object list (370 objects):**

### **ASSORTED: [03]**

- [table~]
- [nbang]
- [meter]
- [else]

### **FFT: [02]**

- [hann~]
- [bin.shift~]

### **PATCH/SUBPATCH MANAGEMENT: [17]**

- [args]
- [dollarzero]
- [receiver]
- [blocksize~]

- [click]
- [properties]
- [canvas.active]
- [canvas.bounds]
- [canvas.gop]
- [canvas.pos]
- [canvas.edit]
- [canvas.vis]
- [canvas.setname]
- [canvas.wname]
- [canvas.name]
- [canvas.zoom]
- [loadbanger] / [lb]

### **MESSAGE MANAGEMENT: [21]**

- [makesymbol]
- [separate]
- [fromany]
- [toany]
- [any2symbol]
- [changed]
- [hot]
- [initmess]
- [message]
- [setmess]
- [pack2]
- [pick]
- [limit]
- [router]
- [routeall]
- [routetype]
- [selector]
- [stack]
- [trigger2] / [t2]
- [sig2float~] / [s2f~]
- [float2sig~] / [f2s~]

### **LIST/MESSAGE MANAGEMENT: [13]**

- [break]
- [order]
- [regroup]
- [iterate]
- [scramble]
- [sort]
- [reverse]
- [rotate]
- [sum]
- [stream]

- [slice]
- [merge]
- [unmerge]

## **FILE MANAGEMENT: [01]**

- [dir]

## **MIDI: [18]**

- [midi]
- [sysrt.in]
- [sysrt.out]
- [ctl.in]
- [ctl.out]
- [touch.in]
- [touch.out]
- [pgm.in]
- [pgm.out]
- [bend.in]
- [bend.out]
- [note.in]
- [note.out]
- [clock]
- [panic]
- [mono]
- [voices]
- [suspended]

## **MATH: FUNCTIONS: [25]**

- [add~]
- [add]
- [median]
- [avg]
- [mov.avg]
- [count]
- [common.div]
- [ceil]
- [ceil~]
- [factor]
- [floor]
- [floor~]
- [int~]
- [rint~]
- [rint]
- [quantizer~]
- [quantizer]
- [fold]
- [fold~]

- [lastvalue]
- [mag]
- [mag~]
- [sin~]
- [wrap2]
- [wrap2~]

#### **MATH: CONVERSION: [27]**

- [hex2dec]
- [bpm]
- [dec2hex]
- [car2pol]
- [car2pol~]
- [cents2ratio]
- [cents2ratio~]
- [ms2samps]
- [ms2samps~]
- [db2lin]
- [db2lin~]
- [float2bits]
- [hz2rad]
- [hz2rad~]
- [lin2db]
- [lin2db~]
- [rad2hz]
- [rad2hz~]
- [ratio2cents]
- [ratio2cents~]
- [samps2ms]
- [samps2ms~]
- [pol2car]
- [pol2car~]
- [rescale]
- [rescale~]
- [op~]

#### **MATH: CONSTANT VALUES: [04]**

- [sr~]
- [nyquist~]
- [pi]
- [e]

#### **MATH: RANDOM: [07]**

- [rand.f]
- [rand.f~]
- [rand.seq]
- [rand.i]

- [rand.i~]
- [drunkard~]
- [drunkard]

## **LOGIC: [02]**

- [loop]
- [moses~]

## **AUDIO PROCESSING: ASSORTED [21]**

- [downsample~]
- [conv~]
- [chorus~]
- [fbdelay~]
- [ffdelay~]
- [shaper~]
- [crusher~]
- [drive~]
- [flanger~]
- [freq.shift~]
- [pitch.shift~]
- [stretch.shift~]
- [ping.pong~]
- [rm~]
- [tremolo~]
- [vibrato~]
- [vocoder~]
- [morph~]
- [freeze~]
- [pvoc.freeze~]
- [phaser~]

## **AUDIO PROCESSING: DYNAMICS [05]**

- [compress~]
- [duck~]
- [expand~]
- [noisegate~]
- [norm~]

## **AUDIO PROCESSING: REVERBERATION: [09]**

- [allpass.rev~]
- [comb.rev~]
- [echo.rev~]
- [mono.rev~]
- [stereo.rev~]
- [free.rev~]
- [giga.rev~]

- [plate.rev~]
- [fdn.rev~]

## **AUDIO PROCESSING: FILTERS [23]:**

- [allpass.2nd~]
- [allpass.filt~]
- [comb.filt~]
- [lop.bw~]
- [hip.bw~]
- [biquads~]
- [bandpass~]
- [bandstop~]
- [crossover~]
- [bpbank~]
- [bicoeff]
- [brickwall~]
- [eq~]
- [highpass~]
- [highshelf~]
- [lowpass~]
- [lowshelf~]
- [mov.avg~]
- [resonbank~]
- [resonbank2~]
- [resonant~]
- [resonant2~]
- [svfilter~]

## **SAMPLING/PLAYING/GRANULATION: [08]**

- [player~]
- [gran.player~]
- [pvoc.player~]
- [pvoc.live~]
- [rec~]
- [rec.file~]
- [play.file~]
- [sample~]

## **PHYSICAL MODELLING: [01]**

- [pluck~]

## **OSCILLATORS (DETERMINISTIC GENERATORS): [24]**

- [cosine~]
- [impulse~] / [imp~]
- [impulse2~] / [imp2~]
- [parabolic~]



- [pulse~]
- [saw~]
- [saw2~]
- [oscbank~]
- [oscbank2~]
- [sine~]
- [square~]
- [tri~]
- [vsaw~]
- [pmosc~]
- [wavetable~] / [wt~]
- [bl.imp~]
- [bl.imp2~]
- [bl.saw~]
- [bl.saw2~]
- [bl.sine~]
- [bl.square~]
- [bl.tri~]
- [bl.vsaw~]
- [bl.wavetable~]

## **CHAOTIC GENERATORS: [24]**

- [brown~]
- [clipnoise~]
- [crackle~]
- [cusp~]
- [fbsine~]
- [fbsine2~]
- [gbman~]
- [gray~]
- [henon~]
- [ikeda~]
- [latoocarfian~]
- [lorenz~]
- [lfnoise~]
- [lincong~]
- [logistic~]
- [quad~]
- [rampnoise~]
- [randpulse~]
- [randpulse2~]
- [standard~]
- [stepnoise~]
- [pinknoise~]
- [xmod~]
- [xmod2~]

## **SIGNAL ROUTING: [12]**

- [balance~]
- [pan2~]
- [pan4~]
- [pan8~]
- [spread~]
- [rotate~]
- [xfade~]
- [xgate~]
- [xgate2~]
- [xselect~]
- [xselect2~]
- [mtx~]

## **CONTROL: [30]**

- [mouse]
- [canvas.mouse]
- [adsr~]
- [asr~]
- [autofade~]
- [autofade2~]
- [decay~]
- [decay2~]
- [envelope~]
- [envgen~]
- [fader~]
- [function~]
- [lag~]
- [lag2~]
- [glide~]
- [glide2~]
- [ramp~]
- [susloop~]
- [drum.seq]
- [sequencer]
- [sequencer~]
- [impseq~]
- [lfo]
- [lfnoise]
- [stepnoise]
- [rampnoise]
- [impulse]
- [pulse]
- [randpulse]
- [randpulse2]

## **TRIGGERS: [28]**

- [above]
- [above~]

- [bangdiv]
- [coin]
- [coin~]
- [dust~]
- [dust2~]
- [gatehold~]
- [gate2imp~]
- [pimp~]
- [tempo]
- [tempo~]
- [pulsecount~]
- [pulsediv~]
- [sh~]
- [schmitt]
- [schmitt~]
- [status]
- [status~]
- [trig.delay~]
- [trig.delay2~]
- [toggleff~]
- [timed.gate]
- [timed.gate~]
- [match~]
- [trig2bang]
- [trig2bang~]
- [trighold~]

## **ANALYSIS: [13]**

- [changed~]
- [changed2~]
- [detect~]
- [lastvalue~]
- [median~]
- [peak~]
- [range]
- [range~]
- [maxpeak~]
- [rms~]
- [mov.rms~]
- [vu~]
- [zerocross~]

## **GUI: [30]**

- [gui]
- [mtx.ctl]
- [biplot]
- [pic]
- [colors]

- [function]
- [circle]
- [slider2d]
- [display]
- [display~]
- [out~]
- [out1~]
- [out4~]
- [out8~]
- [gain~]
- [gain2~]
- [button]
- [keyboard]
- [graph~]
- [range.hsl]
- [spectrograph~]
- [meter~]
- [meter2~]
- [meter4~]
- [meter8~]
- [note]
- [mix2~]
- [mix4~]
- [setdsp~]
- [openfile]

**EXTRA: [02]**

- [output~]
- [cmul~]