I-Ching RND Plugin - User Manual

This plugin is a generative musical tool that combines randomization, hexagram-based sequencing, quantized pitch output, and selectable noise generation. It is designed for use on the Expert Sleepers disting NT platform and is highly configurable through a set of parameters.

This plugin is highly versatile and can be used for algorithmic melody generation, evolving pitch patterns, and noise-based modulation or percussion. Combine outputs for complex musical behavior or modulate parameters with CV for generative results.

Below is a detailed explanation of each parameter:

1. Clock In

• **Range:** 1 – 28

Default: Input 1

• **Description:** Input channel for the master clock. This drives the hexagram sequence, clock divider, and synchronized outputs.

2. IntSeqTrigIn

• **Range:** 1 – 28

• **Default:** Input 2

• **Description:** Input trigger for advancing the integer sequence. It is separate from the main clock.

3. CV Out

• **Range:** 1 – 28

• **Default:** Output 1

• **Description:** Outputs a voltage-per-octave value derived directly from the current hexagram index (before quantization).

4. Quant Out

• **Range:** 1 - 28

• **Default:** Output 2

• **Description:** Outputs a quantized pitch value based on the hexagram index, processed through the selected scale, root, and transpose.

5. IntSeq Out

• **Range:** 1 - 28

• **Default:** Output 3

• **Description:** Outputs the pitch of the selected integer sequence, quantized to the active scale.

6. Noise Out

• **Range:** 1 - 28

• **Default:** Output 4

• **Description:** Outputs the selected type of noise (White, Pink, Brown, or Blue).

7. Clock Thru Out

• **Range:** 1 – 28

• **Default:** Output 5

• **Description:** Passes through the raw incoming clock signal.

8. Clock Div Out

• **Range:** 1 – 28

• **Default:** Output 6

• **Description:** Outputs a clock pulse every N clocks, where N is set by the Clock Div parameter.

9. Scale

• Range: 0 - 133 (scale names shown)

• **Default:** 0

• **Description:** Selects the musical scale used for quantization (e.g. Major, Minor, Pentatonic, etc.).

10. Root

• **Range:** 0 – 11

• **Default:** 0

• **Description:** Sets the root note (C=0, C#=1, ..., B=11) for the selected scale.

11. Transpose

- **Range:** -24 24 (semitones)
- **Default:** 0
- **Description:** Transposes the output pitch up or down by the specified number of semitones.

QuantOut and IntSeqOut are influenced by this, IntSeqOut can behave weird.

12. MaskRot (Mask Rotate)

- **Range:** 0 15
- **Default:** 0
- **Description:** Rotates the internal mask used in quantization to create alternative pitch patterns.

13. IntSeq

- Range: 0 10 (Sequence name will be shown)
- **Default:** 0
- **Description:** Selects the integer sequence (e.g. PI, vanEck,ssdn,dress) used for the IntSeq Out.

14. IntSeqMod

- **Range:** 1 32
- Default: 1
- **Description:** Applies modulo to the integer sequence output, limiting its range. A value of 1 disables the modulo.

15. IntSeqStart

- **Range:** 0 126
- **Default:** 0
- **Description:** Index into the selected sequence from which playback starts.

16. IntSeqLen

• **Range:** 1 – 128

• **Default:** 16

• **Description:** Number of steps played from the starting index before the sequence loops.

17. IntSeqDir (Direction)

• **Range:** 0 (Forward), 1 (Ping-Pong)

• **Default:** 0

• **Description:** Sequence direction: forward through steps or ping-pong (back and forth).

18. IntSeqStride

• **Range:** 1 – 16

• Default: 1

• **Description:** Stride determines the number of indices skipped per step. Higher values create sparser or non-linear patterns.

19. Noise Type

• **Range:** 0 - 3

• **Default:** 0

• Options: White, Pink, Brown, Blue

• **Description:** Selects the type of noise output:

o White: Flat spectrum

o **Pink:** Warmer, 1/f filtered

o **Brown:** Deep, integrated noise

o Blue: High-passed, sharp noise

20. Clock Div

• **Range:** 2 - 512

• Default: 2

• **Description:** Number of incoming clock pulses before one pulse is sent out via Clock Div Out. Useful for creating slower rhythms.

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I-Ching_RND.cpp is a random value generator for the Disting NT module.

It generates random values based on the I Ching hexagrams and their associated values. There is a quantized output for the generated values, which can be used in various musical applications and quantized with a variety of scales.

It has a built-in integer sequence generator that can be used to generate sequences of random values

It has a noise output that can be used to generate random values based on noise. The noise type can be selected from a variety of options.

Every 64 clocks, you will have seen every hexagram exactly once, in a random order. No repeats until all have been used.

After all 64, the order is reshuffled and the process repeats.

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