# **MIDI Utils API Documentation**

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This project began as an attempt to rewrite some parts of Cockos' high-level ReaScript MIDI API, correcting some bugs and improving some (at least from my perspective) less than ideal behaviors and restrictions. Once I finished the subset of features I needed for one of my recent projects, I decided to keep going and just do the rest.

With some minor exceptions, this API is drop-in compatible with Cockos' API -- they can be used in parallel if necessary. I've gone to some trouble to ensure that the behaviors, return values, etc. remain consistent (with some documented exceptions).

- MIDIUtils.MIDI\_GetNote () start and end ppq positions should be consistent with how REAPER itself handles note-on/note-off matching and duration determination.
- MIDIUtils.MIDI\_setNote () will no longer arbitrarily truncate or elongate overlapping notes under certain circumstances
- MIDIUtils.MIDI\_GetEvt () doesn't confuse note-on and note-off messages under certain circumstances
- MIDIUtils.MIDI\_Get/Set/InsertNote() Support release velocity
- Write operations (set/insert/delete) are by definition unsorted, as they occur in memory.
  The optional 'unsorted' argument to several API functions has been dropped (will be
  ignored), and in the case of the note operations, has been replaced with a release
  velocity argument. Sorting occurs automatically post-commit.
- API 'Write' operations don't write back to REAPER until MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CommitWriteTransaction () is called.
- API 'Read' operations are based on the data in memory, not the data in the take. If updates are potentially occurring in REAPER 'behind the back' of the API (such as in a defer script), call MIDIUtils.MIDI\_InitializeTake () every frame, or whenever you need to resync the in-memory data with the actual state of the take in REAPER.
- 'Read' operations don't require a transaction, and will generally trigger a MIDIUtils.MIDI\_InitializeTake (take) event slurp if the requested take isn't already in memory.

In general, for many projects, dropping down to the low-level <code>Get/setallEvts</code> () API is overkill and, for many developers, a terra incognita of status and data bytes in a 40-year-old serial specification. The high-level API is fairly well-designed and easily applicable to many, if not most MIDI scripting problems. But it's buggy and there doesn't appear to be much dev

interest in solving these problems (some of which have been in the docket since 2016ish) at the present time. So to make a long story short, I took some time to reimplement the very useful API in what Ihope is a more usable form (because fixed).

If the native API worked 100% correctly, there would be no point to this project, of course. My hope is that this replacement becomes obsolete at some point, when Cockos circles around to working on MIDI stuff again in some uncertain future. Until then, I hope this provides a useful interim solution to scripters struggling with the behavior and reliability of the native API.

#### USAGE:

```
-- get the package path to MIDIUtils in my repository
 package.path = reaper.GetResourcePath() .. '/Scripts/sockmonkey72
Scripts/MIDI/?.lua'
 local mu = require 'MIDIUtils'
    -- true by default, enabling argument type-checking, turn off for
'production' code
  -- mu.ENFORCE ARGS = false -- or use mu.MIDIUtils.MIDI InitializeTake(),
see below
    -- enable overlap correction
 mu.CORRECT OVERLAPS = true
   -- by default, note-ons take precedence when calculating overlap
correction
   -- turn this on to favor selected notes' note-off instead
  -- mu.CORRECT OVERLAPS FAVOR SELECTION = true
    -- return early if something is missing (currently no dependencies)
 if not mu.CheckDependencies('My Script') then return end
 local take = reaper.MIDIEditor_GetTake(MIDIEditor_GetActive())
  if not take then return end
    -- acquire events from take (can pass true/false as 2nd arg to
enable/disable ENFORCE ARGS)
   -- you will want to do this once per defer cycle in persistent scripts to
ensure that the
   -- internal state matches the current take state
 mu.MIDI InitializeTake(take)
    -- inform the library that we'll be writing to this take
 mu.MIDI_OpenWriteTransaction(take)
```

```
-- insert a note
  mu.MIDI_InsertNote(take, true, false, 960, 1920, 0, 64, 64)
    -- insert a CC (using default CC curve)
 mu.MIDI_InsertCC(take, true, false, 960, 0xB0, 0, 1, 64)
    -- insert a CC, get new index (using default CC curve)
  local _, newidx = mu.MIDI_InsertCC(take, true, false, 1200, 0xB0, 0, 1, 96)
    -- insert another CC (using default CC curve)
 mu.MIDI InsertCC(take, true, false, 1440, 0xB0, 0, 1, 127)
    -- change the CC shape of the 2nd CC to bezier with a 0.66 tension
  mu.MIDI SetCCShape(take, newidx, 5, 0.66)
    -- commit the transaction to the take
    -- by default, this won't reacquire the MIDI events and update the
       take data in memory, pass 'true' as a 2nd argument if you want that
 mu.MIDI_CommitWriteTransaction(take)
    -- pass 'true' as a 3rd argument to
MIDIUtils.MIDI CommitWriteTransaction()
    -- to do this automatically
  reaper.MarkTrackItemsDirty(
    reaper.GetMediaItemTake Track(take),
    reaper.GetMediaItemTake_Item(take))
```

from ReaPack projects, you can include a copy of MIDIUtils.lua like this

```
@provides MyScriptFolder/MIDIUtils.lua
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/jeremybernstein/ReaScripts/main/MIDI/MIDIUt
ils.lua
```

which will grab the latest version of MIDIUtils.lua and place it in a project-specific folder (the folder will be created if it doesn't already exist). If you include MIDIUtils like this, I would be happy for an acknowledgement of usage in your README.

# SetOnError

```
MIDIUtils.SetOnError(fn)
```

• setonError: set an optional error callback for xpcall(), otherwise a traceback will be posted to the REAPER console window by default.

#### Return Values: none

boolean rv =

MIDIUtils.CheckDependencies(callerScriptName)

• CheckDependencies: check whether all MIDIUtils dependencies are met, pass the name of your script as an argument, will be used as an identifier in any error message generated.

### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true if dependencies are met, false otherwise

# MIDI\_InitializeTake

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_InitializeTake (take, enforceargs = true)

• MIDI\_InitializeTake: gather the events in a MediaItem\_Take for use with MIDIUtils. In simple usage, this call is optional -- API calls will automatically call MIDIUtils.MIDI\_InitializeTake () internally if the provided take is not already prepared.

NOTE: if using MIDIUtils in a defer() script, you will want to call this once per defer cycle to ensure that the MIDIUtils internal state is synced with the take state. The optional 'enforceargs' argument can be used to disable API argument type enforcement for efficiency in production code.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER

Return Values: none

# MIDI\_CountEvts

boolean rv, number notecnt, number ccevtcnt, number textsyxevtcnt =
 MIDIUtils.MIDI CountEvts (take)

• MIDI\_countEvts: provide a count of take events by type.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem Take take: the MediaItem Take provided by REAPER

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true if successful, false otherwise

number notecnt: count of note-on events

number ccevtcnt: count of CC, pitch bend, program change, aftertouch events

number textsyxevtcnt: count of meta and system exclusive events (not including bezier curves)

# MIDI\_OpenWriteTransaction

MIDIUtils.MIDI OpenWriteTransaction(take)

• MIDI\_OpenWriteTransaction: start a 'write' transaction. MIDIUtils performs all of its MIDI data manipulation in memory. Unlike Cockos' high-level MIDI API, there are no 'immediately sorted' API calls. To make changes to the data, you are required to open a transaction, make all changes, and then commit the transaction, which will write all changes in a single bulk set action.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem Take take: the MediaItem Take provided by REAPER

Return Values: none

### MIDI CommitWriteTransaction

boolean rv =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CommitWriteTransaction (take, refresh, dirty)

• MIDI\_CommitWriteTransaction: end a 'write' transaction and commit the data to the take.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
boolean refresh: when true, MIDIUtils will re-initialize the take after commit
this is useful if you intend to perform further manipulation on the data post-commit
boolean dirty: when true, MIDIUtils will dirty the take post-commit

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

### MIDI\_CorrectOverlaps

boolean rv =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CorrectOverlaps (take, favorSelection)

• MIDI\_CorrectOverlaps: manually apply overlap correction to the current take. See also MIDIUtils.CORRECT\_OVERLAPS and MIDIUtils.CORRECT\_OVERLAPS\_FAVOR\_SELECTION for automatic overlap correction options.

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER boolean favorSelection: when true, overlap correction will attempt to leave any selected

notes untouched (the note-on of position unselected note events will be changed). When false (or missing), overlap correction will preserve note-on positions and move note-offs to prevent MIDI overlaps. [optional]

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

# MIDI\_GetNote

boolean rv, boolean selected, boolean muted, number ppqpos, number endppqpos,
number chan, number pitch, number vel, number relvel =
 MIDIUtils.MIDI\_GetNote (take, idx)

• MIDI\_GetNote: Get MIDI note properties.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: note index (see MIDIUtils.MIDI countEvts for the number of MIDI notes)

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise boolean selected: true if note is selected boolean muted: true if note is muted number ppqpos: note-on PPQ position number endppqpos: note-off PPQ position number chan: MIDI channel (0 - 15)

number pitch: MIDI note number (0 - 127) number vel: note-on velocity (0 - 127) number relvel: note-off velocity (0 - 127)

### MIDI\_SetNote

boolean rv =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_SetNote (take, idx, selected, muted, ppqpos, endppqpos, chan, pitch,
vel, relvel)

MIDI\_setNote: Set MIDI note properties for an existing event.

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER

number idx: note index to modify (see MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CountEvts for the number of MIDI notes)

boolean selected: true if note is selected [optional]

boolean muted: true if note is muted [optional]

number ppqpos: note-on PPQ position [optional]

number endppqpos: note-off PPQ position [optional]

number chan: MIDI channel (0 - 15) [optional]

number pitch: MIDI note number (0 - 127) [optional]

number relvel: note-on velocity (0 - 127) [optional]

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

# ${\bf MIDI\_InsertNote}$

MIDI InsertNote: Create a new MIDI note event.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER boolean selected: true if note is selected boolean muted: true if note is muted number ppqpos: note-on PPQ position number endppqpos: note-off PPQ position number chan: MIDI channel (0 - 15) number pitch: MIDI note number (0 - 127) number vel: note-on velocity (0 - 127) [optional, 0 if not provided]

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise number idx: new note index

#### **MIDI DeleteNote**

boolean rv =
 MIDIUtils.MIDI\_DeleteNote (take, idx)

• MIDI DeleteNote: Delete a note event.

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: note index to delete (see MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CountEvts for the number of
MIDI notes)

### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

# MIDI\_GetCC

boolean rv, boolean selected, boolean muted, number ppqpos, number chanmsg, number chan, number msg2, number msg3 =

MIDIUtils.MIDI GetCC (take, idx)

• MIDI Getcc: Get CC/channel message properties.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: note index (see MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CountEvts for the number of MIDI
notes)

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise boolean selected: true if event is selected boolean muted: true if event is muted number ppqpos: event PPQ position number chanmsg: message type:

- o 0xA0 poly pressure / aftertouch
- o 0xB0 continuous controller
- 0xC0 program change [\* only requires 2 bytes]
- 0xD0 channel pressure / aftertouch [\* only requires 2 bytes]
- o 0xE0 pitch bend

number chan: MIDI channel (0 - 15) number msg2: 2nd message byte (0 - 127) number msg3: 3rd message byte (0 - 127)

#### SetCC

boolean rv =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_setcc (take, idx, selected, muted, ppqpos, chanmsg, chan, msg2, msg3)

• MIDI setcc: Set CC/channel message properties for an existing event.

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: CC event index to modify (see MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CountEvts for the number
of CC-like events)

boolean selected: true if event is selected [optional] boolean muted: true if event is muted [optional] number ppqpos: event PPQ position [optional] number chanmsg: message type [optional]:

- o 0xA0 poly pressure / aftertouch
- 0xB0 continuous controller
- 0xC0 program change [\* only requires 2 bytes]
- 0xD0 channel pressure / aftertouch [\* only requires 2 bytes]
- o 0xE0 pitch bend

number chan: MIDI channel (0 - 15) [optional]

number msg2: 2nd message byte (0 - 127) [optional] number msg3: 3rd message byte (0 - 127) [optional]

### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

### **MIDI InsertCC**

boolean rv, number idx =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_Insertcc (take, selected, muted, ppqpos, chanmsg, chan, msg2, msg3)

• MIDI\_Insertcc: Create a new CC/channel message event.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER

boolean selected: true if event is selected boolean muted: true if event is muted

number ppqpos: PPQ position number chanmsg: message type:

- o 0xA0 poly pressure / aftertouch
- o 0xB0 continuous controller
- 0xC0 program change [\* only requires 2 bytes]
- 0xD0 channel pressure / aftertouch [\* only requires 2 bytes]
- o 0xE0 pitch bend

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number chan: MIDI channel (0 - 15)
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number msg2: 2nd message byte (0 - 127) number msg3: 3rd message byte (0 - 127)

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

number idx: new CC event index

# MIDI\_DeleteCC

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boolean rv =
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MIDIUtils.MIDI Deletecc (take, idx)

• MIDI\_Deletecc: Delete a CC/channel message event.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: CC event index to delete (see MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CountEvts for the number
of CC-like events)

### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

# MIDI\_GetCCShape

boolean rv, number shape, number beztension = MIDIUtils.MIDI GetCCShape (take, idx)

• MIDI\_GetCCShape: Get CC shape and bezier tension.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER number idx: CC event index to query

### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise number shape: curve shape

- o 0 square
- o 1 linear
- o 2 slow start/end
- o 3 fast start
- o 4 fast end
- o 5 bezier

number beztension: bezier tension

# MIDI\_SetCCShape

boolean rv =

MIDIUtils.MIDI SetCCShape (take, idx, shape, beztension)

• MIDI SetCCShape: Set CC shape and bezier tension.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER number idx: CC event index to query

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number shape: curve shape

- o 0 square
- o 1 linear
- o 2 slow start/end
- o 3 fast start
- o 4 fast end
- o 5 bezier

number beztension: bezier tension [required for shape 5 (bezier)]

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

# MIDI\_GetTextSysexEvt

boolean rv, boolean selected, boolean muted, number ppqpos, number type, string msg =

MIDIUtils.MIDI GetTextSysexEvt (take, idx)

• MIDI GetTextSysexEvt: Get meta / system exclusive message properties.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: event index (see MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CountEvts for the number of meta /
sysex events)

### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise boolean selected: true if event is selected boolean muted: true if event is muted number ppqpos: event PPQ position number type: message type

o -1 - system exclusive

- o 1 14: meta text event:
  - 1 text
  - 2 copyright notice
  - 3 track name
  - 4 instrument name
  - 5 lyrics
  - 6 marker
  - 7 cue point
  - 8 program name
  - 9 device name
  - 10 14: REAPER-specific, undocumented
- 15: REAPER notation event

string msg: message payload (no header or footer bytes)

# MIDI\_SetTextSysexEvt

boolean rv =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_SetTextSysexEvt (take, idx, selected, muted, ppqpos, type, msg)

• MIDI\_SetTextSysexEvt: Set meta / system exclusive message properties for an existing event.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: event index (see MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CountEvts for the number of meta /
sysex events)

boolean selected: true if event is selected [optional]
boolean muted: true if event is muted [optional]
number ppqpos: event PPQ position [optional]
number type: message type [optional, required if msg is provided]

- o -1 system exclusive
- o 1 14: meta text event:
  - 1 text
  - 2 copyright notice
  - 3 track name
  - 4 instrument name

- 5 lyrics
- 6 marker
- 7 cue point
- 8 program name
- 9 device name
- 10 14: REAPER-specific, undocumented
- o 15: REAPER notation event

string msg: message payload (no header or footer bytes) [optional, required if type is provided]

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

# MIDI\_InsertTextSysexEvt

boolean rv, number idx =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_InsertTextSysexEvt (take, selected, muted, ppqpos, type, bytestr)

• MIDI\_InsertTextSysexEvt: Create a new meta / system exclusive message event.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER

boolean selected: true if event is selected boolean muted: true if event is muted

number ppqpos: PPQ position number type: message type

- o -1 system exclusive
- o 1 14: meta text event:
  - 1 text
  - 2 copyright notice
  - 3 track name
  - 4 instrument name
  - 5 lyrics
  - 6 marker
  - 7 cue point
  - 8 program name
  - 9 device name

- 10 14: REAPER-specific, undocumented
- 15: REAPER notation event

string msg: message payload (no header or footer bytes)

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

number idx: new CC event index

### MIDI\_DeleteTextSysexEvt

```
boolean rv =
```

MIDIUtils.MIDI DeleteTextSysexEvt (take, idx)

• MIDI\_DeleteTextSysexEvt: Delete a meta / system exclusive message event.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: event index to delete (see MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CountEvts for the number of meta / sysex events)

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

# MIDI\_GetEvt

boolean rv, boolean selected, boolean muted, number ppqpos, string msg = MIDIUtils.MIDI\_GetEvt (take, idx)

MIDI GetEvt: Get event properties.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: event index (see MIDIUtils.MIDI CountEvts for event count)

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise
boolean selected: true if event is selected
boolean muted: true if event is muted
number ppqpos: event PPQ position

string msg: complete message payload (incl. status, header and/or footer bytes)

### MIDI\_SetEvt

```
boolean rv =
```

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_SetEvt (take, idx, selected, muted, ppqpos, msg)

• MIDI\_setEvt: Set event properties for an existing event.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: event index (see MIDIUtils.MIDI\_CountEvts for event count)
boolean selected: true if event is selected [optional]
boolean muted: true if event is muted [optional]
number ppqpos: event PPQ position [optional]
string msg: complete message payload (incl. status, header and/or footer bytes)

[optional]

Return Values:

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

#### MIDI InsertEvt

```
boolean rv, number idx =
    MIDIUtils.MIDI_InsertEvt (take, selected, muted, ppqpos, bytestr)
```

• MIDI SetEvt: Insert new event.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
boolean selected: true if event is selected
boolean muted: true if event is muted
number ppqpos: event PPQ position
string msg: complete message payload (incl. status, header and/or footer bytes)

#### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

# MIDI\_DeleteEvt

```
boolean rv =
    MIDIUtils.MIDI_DeleteEvt (take, idx)
```

• MIDI DeleteEvt: Delete an event.

### **Arguments:**

```
MediaItem_Take take: the MediaItem_Take provided by REAPER number idx: event index (see MIDIUtils.MIDI_CountEvts for event count)
```

### **Return Values:**

boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise

# MIDI\_EnumSelNotes

#### number idx =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_EnumSelNotes (take, idx)

• MIDI\_EnumSelNotes: Returns the index of the next selected MIDI note event after idx (-1 if there are no more selected events).

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER number idx: event index (pass -1 to get the first selected note event)

#### **Return Values:**

integer idx: index of next selected MIDI Note event

#### **MIDI EnumSelCC**

```
number idx =
```

MIDIUtils.MIDI EnumSelcc (take, idx)

• MIDI\_EnumSelcc: Returns the index of the next selected MIDI CC event after idx (-1 if there are no more selected events).

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER number idx: event index (pass -1 to get the first selected CC event)

### **Return Values:**

integer idx: index of next selected MIDI CC event

# MIDI\_EnumSelTextSysexEvts

```
number idx =
```

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_EnumSelTextSysexEvts (take, idx)

• MIDI\_Enumselcc: Returns the index of the next selected MIDI meta / system exclusive event after idx (-1 if there are no more selected events).

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: event index (pass -1 to get the first selected meta / sysex event)

# **Return Values:**

integer idx: index of next selected MIDI meta / sysex event

### MIDI\_EnumSelEvts

number idx =

MIDIUtils.MIDI EnumSelEvts (take, idx)

• MIDI\_Enumselcc: Returns the index of the next selected event after idx (-1 if there are no more selected events).

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER number idx: event index (pass -1 to get the first selected event)

#### **Return Values:**

integer idx: index of next selected event of any type (note-on, note-off, CC, meta/sysex)

# MIDI\_CountAllEvts

number allcnt =
 MIDIUtils.MIDI CountAllEvts (take)

• MIDI CountEvts: provide a count of all take events.

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem Take take: the MediaItem Take provided by REAPER

#### **Return Values:**

integer allcnt: count of all events (note-on, note-off, CC, meta/sysex)

### MIDI\_EnumNotes

number idx =
 MIDIUtils.MIDI\_EnumNotes (take, idx)

• MIDI\_EnumNotes: Returns the index of the next MIDI note event after idx (-1 if there are no more events).

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER number idx: event index (pass -1 to get the first note event)

### **Return Values:**

integer idx: index of next MIDI Note event

# MIDI\_EnumCC

number idx =
 MIDIUtils.MIDI\_EnumCC (take, idx)

• MIDI\_Enumcc: Returns the index of the next MIDI CC event after idx (-1 if there are no more events).

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER number idx: event index (pass -1 to get the first CC event)

#### **Return Values:**

integer idx: index of next MIDI CC event

# MIDI\_EnumTextSysexEvts

number idx =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_EnumTextSysexEvts (take, idx)

• MIDI\_EnumTextSysexEvts: Returns the index of the next MIDI meta / system exclusive event after idx (-1 if there are no more events).

# **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER number idx: event index (pass -1 to get the first meta/sysex event)

### **Return Values:**

integer idx: index of next MIDI meta/sysex event

# MIDI\_EnumEvts

number idx =

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_EnumEvts (take, idx)

• MIDI\_EnumEvts: Returns the index of the next event after idx (-1 if there are no more events).

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER
number idx: event index (pass -1 to get the first event)

#### **Return Values:**

integer idx: index of next event of any type (note-on, note-off, CC, meta/sysex)

# MIDI\_GetCCValueAtTime

boolean rv, number val, number ppqpos, integer chanmsg, integer chan, integer msg2out, integer msg3out =

MIDIUtils.MIDI GetCCValueAtTime (take, chanmsg, chan, msg2, time)

• MIDI\_GetCCValueAtTime: Get the effective CC value at a given time position, applying any curve.

### **Arguments:**

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER number chanmsg: message type:

- o 0xA0 poly pressure / aftertouch
- 0xB0 continuous controller

- 0xC0 program change [\* only requires 2 bytes]
- 0xD0 channel pressure / aftertouch [\* only requires 2 bytes]
- o 0xE0 pitch bend

```
number chan: MIDI channel (0 - 15)
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number msg2: 2nd message byte (0 - 127)

e.g. the CC# or poly aftertouch note#

[unused for program change, channel pressure and pitch bend types]

number time: project time in seconds (as returned by reaper.GetCursorPosition() or similar)

#### **Return Values:**

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boolean rv: true on success, false otherwise
```

number val: the effective CC value at the given time position (floating-point, interpolated)

number ppqpos: PPQ position in the take of the requested time

integer chanmsg: the message type (generally the same as was passed in)

integer chan: MIDI channel (0 - 15) (the same as was passed in)

integer msg2out: the 2nd MIDI byte for the controller message

integer msg3out: the 3rd MIDI byte for the controller message

### MIDI\_NoteNumberToNoteName

```
string notename =
```

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_NoteNumberToNoteName (notenum, names = { 'C', 'C#', 'D', 'D#', 'E', 'F', 'F#', 'G', 'G#', 'A', 'A#', 'B' })

• MIDI\_NoteNumberToNoteName: Returns the note name + octave (i.e. A3, D#-1) of the provided MIDI note number. Takes REAPER's MIDI octave name display offset preference into account.

# **Arguments:**

number notenum: MIDI note number (0 - 127)

table names: table of 12 pitch class names, from C - B, as they should be used for display [optional]

Return Values: note name + octave string for the input value

# MIDI\_NoteNameToNoteNumber

```
integer notenum =
```

MIDI\_NoteNameToNoteNumber (notename, names = { 'C', 'C#', 'D', 'D#', 'E', 'F', 'F#', 'G', 'G#', 'A', 'A#', 'B' })

• MIDI\_NoteNameToNoteNumber: returns the MIDI note number from a provided note name + octave (i.e. A3, D#-1), taking REAPER's MIDI octave name display offset preference into account.

# **Arguments:**

string notename: the note name + octave for conversion table names: table of 12 pitch class names, from C - B, as they should be used for display [optional]

# MIDI\_GetPPQ

```
number ppq =
MIDIUtils.MIDI GetPPQ(take)
```

- MIDI GetPPQ: Returns the PPQ of the provided take.
- Arguments:

MediaItem\_Take take: the MediaItem\_Take provided by REAPER

• Return Values:

number ppq: PPQ value (parts (ticks) per quarter note) of the provided take

### **MIDI SelectAll**

```
MIDIUtils.MIDI SelectAll (take, wantsSelect)
```

• MIDI\_SelectAll: Select or deselect all MIDI content in the provided take.

### **Arguments:**

```
MediaItem_Take take: the MediaItem_Take provided by REAPER
boolean wantsSelect: select (true) or deselect (false)
```

Return Values: none

### post

```
MIDIUtils.post (...)
```

• post: Convenience method to post a message (or comma-delimited messages) to the REAPER console.

p

```
MIDIUtils.p(...)
```

• p: Convenience method to post a message (or comma-delimited messages) to the REAPER console.

### tprint

MIDIUtils.tprint(table)

• tprint: Convenience method to print the contents of a Lua table to the REAPER console.

# **Arguments:**

table table: a Lua table

# tableCopy

MIDIUtils.tableCopy (table)

• tableCopy: makes a deep copy of a Lua table, only applicable for tables without table keys.

# **Arguments:**

table table: a Lua table

### **Return Values:**

table newTable: a unique copy of the input table, containing unique values which no longer refer to the source table.

# MIDI\_GetState

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_GetState()

• MIDI\_GetState: collects the current state of MIDIUtils, including all events, iteration states, etc. into a table.

Arguments: none

# **Return Values**:

table state: a Lua table, should be passed, unmodified to MIDI\_SetState when the MIDIUtils state is to be restored.

# MIDI\_SetState

MIDIUtils.MIDI\_SetState (State)

• MIDI\_SetState: replaces the current state of MIDIUtils with a state described in the provided table (supplied by MIDI\_GetState).

### **Arguments:**

table state: a Lua table acquired through a call to MIDI\_GetState

Return Values: none

• Flag to enable/disable argument type-checking. When enabled, submitting the wrong argument type(s) to MIDIUtils functions will cause an error, useful for debugging code. Disable in production code, since the type checking adds some minimal overhead. On by default, see also MIDIUtils.InitializeTake(), where this can be set.

MIDIUtils.CORRECT OVERLAPS = false

• Flag to enable/disable overlap correction on commit. Off by default, but may be desirable if the option "Correct overlapping notes while editing" is enabled, or for the Inline MIDI Editor (where that option is always active).

MIDIUtils.CORRECT OVERLAPS FAVOR SELECTION = false

• If CORRECT\_OVERLAPS is enabled, CORRECT\_OVERLAPS\_FAVOR\_SELECTION determines whether the selection's note-off takes precedence over an unselected note-on when performing the overlap correction. Off by default.

MIDIUtils.CORRECT OVERLAPS FAVOR NOTEON = false

• If CORRECT\_OVERLAPS and CORRECT\_OVERLAPS\_FAVOR\_SELECTION are enabled, CORRECT\_OVERLAPS\_FAVOR\_NOTEON determines whether a note collision of selected events favors the note-on or note-off when performing the overlap correction. Off by default.

MIDIUtils.ALLNOTESOFF SNAPS TO ITEM END = true

• If Allnotesoff\_snaps\_to\_item\_end is enabled, the "All Notes Off" event (CC#123, at the end of every item) will be snapped to the end of the item, rather than floating around near the end of the item, or being stuck at the end of the last note, or whatever REAPER decides to do with it. On by default.

MIDIUtils.CLAMP\_MIDI\_BYTES = false

• REAPER's default behavior is to AND incoming data byte values with 0x7F, causing values above 127 to wrap around, where 128 = 0, 129 = 1, and so on. When this option is enabled, incoming data bytes will be clipped, such that values below 0 = 0, and values above 127 = 127. Off by default.

MIDIUtils.CORRECT EXTENTS = false

• Modify the item extents to accommodate changes to the contents. Off by default.

MIDIUtils.USE\_XPCALL = true

• By default, calls to MIDIUtils are wrapped in xpcall to help catch and display errors. This comes with a certain non-zero cost, though. Disable USE\_XPCALL to use direct calling.

# MIDIUtils.COMMIT\_CANSKIP = false

When enabled, and if MIDIUtils detects that there has been no change to the MIDI
events it would send to REAPER at commit time, MIDIUtils won't send the data. Use with
care. If this is enabled, the user can use (the otherwise undocumented function)
MIDIUtils.MIDI\_ForceNextTransaction() to force the data to be sent on the next
commit.