

# Qu-Bit – Cascade

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## Cascade Eurorack Module Cheat Sheet

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*Cascade by Qu-Bit Electronix: Ratcheting envelope generator, VCA, sound source, compressor, and envelope follower.*

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### BASIC OPERATION

- Powerful envelope generator normaled to a high-fidelity analog VCA (2164-based)
  - Ratcheting, AD, ASR, ADSR, Envelope Follower & Compressor modes
  - Internal sound sources: White noise, 808 hi-hat, 808 kick, hi-frequency sine
  - Snappy envelopes down to 0.5ms, envelope/CV out: 0–10V
  - Digital control with analog signal path
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# 1. PANEL CONTROLS

## Knobs

Knob	Function	CV Input	Range
<b>Attack</b>	Envelope attack time	Yes	0.5 ms – 5 s
<b>Decay</b>	Envelope decay/release time	Yes	0.5 ms – 10 s (or 5 s)
<b>Curve</b>	Changes envelope curve (logarithmic–linear– exponential/response)	Yes	
<b>Repeats</b>	Ratchet (# repeats, clock multiplier, or loop)	Yes	1–16/infinite loop, 1x–16x
<b>Level</b>	Envelope output level	Yes	0–10V
<b>Offset</b>	DC offset to envelope	Yes	0–10V
<b>Sustain</b>	(ADSR mode only) Sustain level	No	0V–Level knob setting
<b>Threshold</b>	(Follower/Compressor) Signal threshold	No	
<b>Ratio</b>	(Compressor) Compression ratio	No	

## Buttons

Button	Function
<b>Trig</b>	Manually trigger envelope
<b>Invert</b>	Flip envelope (maintains selected voltage range, Green LED on)
<b>Mode</b>	Cycle through main modes (AD/ASR/ADSR/Follower/Compressor/Ratcheting, etc)
<b>Shift</b>	Shift for Edit/secondary functions

## 2. JACKS (Inputs & Outputs)

Jack	Type	Function	Voltage Range
<b>Trigger</b>	Input	Triggers the envelope/controls repeat tempo	Gate/Trigger (0–5V/10V)
<b>VCA In</b>	Input	Audio input to VCA (feeds internal VCA and Follower/Compressor modes)	Audio/CV
<b>VCA CV</b>	Input	Overrides envelope out for external VCA control	0–10V CV
<b>Invert</b>	Input	CV for inverting envelope	0–10V
<b>GATE</b>	Output	Configurable: gate/trigger (varies by Edit Function)	0–10V
	Output		Audio/CV

Jack	Type	Function	Voltage Range
VCA Out		Audio out (external/internal source, enveloped/compressed etc.)	
ENV	Output	Envelope CV out bundle	0–10V

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## 3. MODES OVERVIEW

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Mode	Unique Controls/Notes
Ratcheting AD	Repeats ratcheted, clock-multiplied envelopes
AD	Basic Attack/Decay envelope (optionally looped)
ASR	Gate controls sustain; loopable
ADSR	Classic four-stage envelope
Envelope Follower	Follows input amplitude, outputs CV/gate
Compressor	Audio compression w/ virtual sidechain trigger

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## 4. EDIT FUNCTIONS (Hold Shift)

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### Sound Source Select

- White Noise
- 808 Hi-Hat
- 808 Kick
- High Frequency Sine

## Gravity Modes (Envelope Scaling)

- No Gravity (standard)
- Amplitude Gravity (amplitude follows gravity)
- Amplitude & Time Gravity

## Gate Output Modes

- 6ms trigger at start of every envelope
  - **EOD Mode:** Gate HIGH except during decay
  - **EOA Mode:** Gate HIGH except during attack
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# 5. QUICK PATCH EXAMPLES

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- **AD Envelope:** Patch trigger source to `trigger`, take env to VCA CV or modulators.
  - **VCA Control:** Patch audio to `vca in`, enveloped audio is at `vca out`.
  - **Use Internal Sound Source:** Nothing patched to `vca in`—use internal sound from edit menu.
  - **Compressor/Env Follower:** Patch audio to `vca in`, configure in mode, audio out at `vca out`, envelope/CV at `env`.
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For more examples and advanced setups visit the [product manual PDF](#).

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