## Playing live / thoughts on this elektron/HW setup

Posted by illextreme - 2013/09/18 18:46

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- 1) The above should work ok?
- 2) This planned setup is about the size I want, but does not give any polyphony, I would like chord stabs/drones I guess I could sample it on the MD UW, but it's a painfull process, any ideas on how I can add polyphony to my setup without too much expense? I guess technically the MD can do 3-note chords by MIDI and this midi out should be available...
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## Re:Playing live / thoughts on this elektron/HW setup

Posted by Barfunkel - 2013/09/18 20:37

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I'm not 100% sure since I haven't tried it yet, but I think one of the FX Track pages allows you to use the external inputs without using one of the 4 tracks, or any other resources. You can also send the inputs to the A4 FX from that same page.

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No reason for it not to work.

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Not sure if the A4 allows MIDI over USB. However, you can use a standard midi cable to connect the Minibrute to the A4 and then playing the A4 with the Minibrutes keyboard.

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Do you need real polyphony or just chord stabs? The A4 can do the latter.				
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With the A4, you have 2 filters and you can often use the multimode filter as an EQ replacement, usually filtering out unneeded low frequencies with a highpass filter.				