

## 1. Introduction

Module **A-138 (MIXER)** is a **four channel mixer**, which can be used with either control voltages or audio signals.

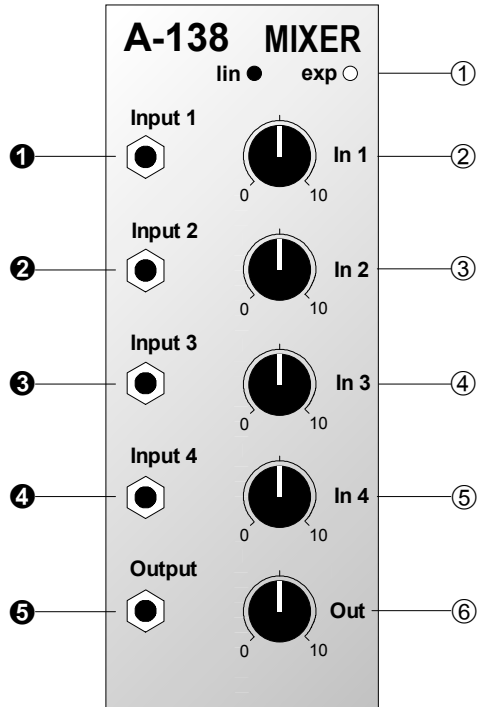
Each of the four inputs has an attenuator, and there's a master attenuator, so that the mixer can be used at the end of the audio chain - ie. it can be used to interface directly with an external mixer, amplifier, etc..

The module can be supplied in two versions:

- **A-138 a**: potentiometers with linear response, so especially suitable for control voltage mixing.
- **A-138 b**: potentiometers with logarithmic response, so especially suitable for audio signal mixing.

*From about middle of 2004 the module is equipped with an additional offset function for input 1. An internal jumper is used to decide if control input 1 works as a positive or negative DC offset generator provided that no plug is inserted into input 1.*

## 2. MIXER - Overview



### Controls and markings:

① **lin. / exp.:** indication of type of mixer:

**A-138 a:** linear potentiometers

**A-138 b:** logarithmic potentiometers

- ② **In 1:** Attenuator for input ①
- ③ **In 2:** Attenuator for input ②
- ④ **In 3:** Attenuator for input ③
- ⑤ **In 4:** Attenuator for input ④
- ⑥ **Out:** Output attenuator

### In / Outputs:

- ① **Input 1**
- ② **Input 2**
- ③ **Input 3**
- ④ **Input 4**
- ⑤ **Output**

### 3. Controls and markings

#### ① lin. / exp.

Check which little circle is filled in, to see which version, linear or exponential (logarithmic), the VCA is.

#### ② In 1 ... ⑤ In 4

Attenuators ① to ④ control the level for inputs ① to ④.

#### ⑥ Out

The **output level of the mixer** is controlled by attenuator ⑥. Unlike on most A-100 modules, the output has an attenuator, so that it can act as the end of the audio chain, and interface directly with a mixing desk, amplifier, etc.

*From about middle of 2004 the module is equipped with an additional offset function for input 1. The pin header labelled JP4 (located behind input 1 on the pc board) is used for this option. With no jumper on JP4 the offset option is disabled. If a jumper is put to JP4 in the right position (near the edge of the pc board) a positive offset voltage (~ 0...+5V) is generated by control 1 provided that no plug is inserted into socket 1. If a jumper is put to JP4 in the left position (direction to the front panel) a negative offset voltage (~ 0...-5V) is generated.*

### 4. In / Outputs

#### ① Input 1 ... ④ Input 4

Sockets ① to ④ are the mixer's **inputs**. Patch in what you want to mix via these sockets.



You can use the mixer for either control voltages or audio signals (see chapter 5, user examples)

#### ⑥ OUT

The mixed signal is available at the **output**.

## 5. User examples

### Mixing audio signals

- Use **A-138 b**, and patch the audio signals to be mixed into sockets ① to ④.
- Adjust the relative amount of each signal with controls ① to ④, and the volume of the whole mix with control ⑤.
- The whole mix is output at socket ⑥.

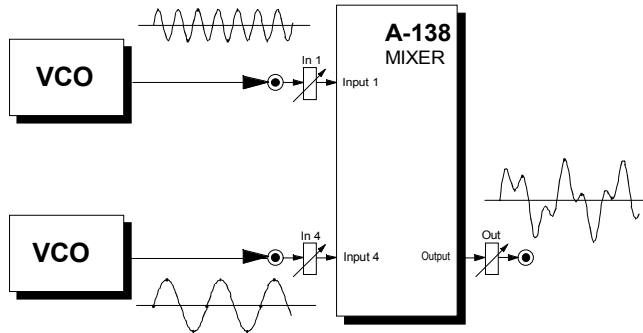


Fig. 1: Mixing audio signals with an A-138 b

### Mixing control voltages

You may sometimes need more CV inputs than a particular module has - for instance if you want to control VCF 1 with an **ADSR**, **LFO**, **aftertouch**, and **keyboard tracking**.

In that case, you'll need to use an **A-138a VCA** to mix at least two of the CVs, and send the output to one of the VCF's free inputs (see Fig. 2).

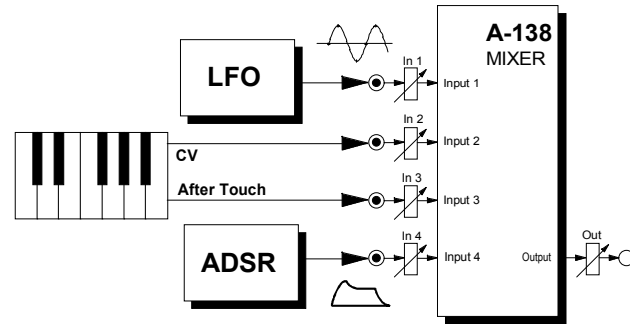


Fig. 2: Mixing control voltages with an A-138 a