

**i** This protocol is for use with Avantis systems loaded with firmware version V1.10 and later.

TCP/IP control is available via the **Network** port on the Avantis mixer. Messages are sent using the MIDI format, as described in this document.

All MIDI message **numbers** shown in this specification are hexadecimal. Refer to the end of this document for a table of values for each of the parameters listed here.

Clients should be configured to use TCP port **51325**.

**MIDI Controllable Functions and Parameters:**

- Fader levels **NRPN** *Input, Mix master, FX send, FX return, DCA*
- Mutes **Note On** *Input, Mix master, FX send, FX return, DCA, Mute Groups*
- Send levels **SysEx** *Aux, FX and Matrix sends*
- DCA assign **NRPN**
- Input to Main assign **NRPN**
- Name & Colour **SysEx**
- Scene Recall **Program Change**
- MIDI transport **MIDI Machine Control (MMC)**
- MIDI Strips **Custom Messages** *DAW and remote equipment control*
- SoftKeys **Custom Messages** *Press and release messages*

**MIDI Running Status**

Avantis uses MIDI running status. This maximises MIDI transmission efficiency by allowing a MIDI message to be sent without its Status byte if the previous transmitted message had the same Status.

For example, turning Mute on for Inputs 1, 2 and 3 on MIDI channel 12:

Without running status – Full message string **9B, 00, 7F, 9B, 01, 7F, 9B, 02, 7F**

With running status – Shorter message string **9B, 00, 7F, 01, 7F, 02, 7F**

**MIDI Channel Number**

MIDI channel 1 to 16 = **0** to **F**

To extend the range of audio channels that can be controlled by MIDI messages the Avantis MIDI protocol uses a range of five MIDI channels to select between audio channel types.

The base MIDI channel **N** is the lowest channel of the range selected in **Utility / Control / MIDI** and cannot exceed 12 (**B**). The default is MIDI Channel 12 to 16.

The audio channel type is selected by offsetting the MIDI channel used in the message and the audio channel number is selected using the note number, as detailed in ‘Channel Selection’ below.

Scene Recall and MIDI transport use the base MIDI channel **N**.

**Channel Selection**

**N** = Base MIDI channel

**CH** = Channel Note number (refer to table)

Channels are selected using the MIDI channel number and Note number as follows:

- Inputs 1 to 64: **N = N, CH = 00 to 3F**
- Mono Groups 1 to 40: **N = N + 1, CH = 00 to 27**
- Stereo Groups 1 to 20: **N = N + 1, CH = 40 to 53**
- Mono Aux 1 to 40: **N = N + 2, CH = 00 to 27**
- Stereo Aux 1 to 20: **N = N + 2, CH = 40 to 53**
- Mono Matrix 1 to 40: **N = N + 3, CH = 00 to 27**
- Stereo Matrix 1 to 20: **N = N + 3, CH = 40 to 53**
- Mono FX Send 1 to 12: **N = N + 4, CH = 00 to 0B**
- Stereo FX Send 1 to 12: **N = N + 4, CH = 10 to 1B**
- FX Return 1 to 12: **N = N + 4, CH = 20 to 2B**
- Mains 1 to 3: **N = N + 4, CH = 30 to 32**
- DCA 1 to 16: **N = N + 4, CH = 36 to 45**
- Mute Group 1 to 8: **N = N + 4, CH = 46 to 4D**

**SysEx Header**

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This applies to all SysEx messages described later in this specification.

**F0, 00, 00, 1A, 50, 10, 01, 00**

## Mute ON

**NOTE ON** with velocity > 40 followed by NOTE OFF

9N, CH, 7F, 9N, CH, 00

## Mute OFF

**NOTE ON** with velocity < 40 followed by NOTE OFF

9N, CH, 3F, 9N, CH, 00

## Received Mute Messages

Velocity 00 and NOTE OFF messages are ignored

Velocity 01 to 3F = Mute OFF

Velocity 40 to 7F = Mute ON

## Fader Level

**NRPN** with parameter ID 17

Fader value LV -inf to +10dB = 00 to 7F (refer to table)

Select channel	Parameter	Set fader value
BN, 63, CH,	BN, 62, 17,	BN, 06, LV

## Channel Assignment to Main Mix ON

**NRPN** with parameter ID 18

ON value = 40 to 7F

Select channel	Parameter	Set ON
BN, 63, CH,	BN, 62, 18,	BN, 06, 7F

## Channel Assignment to Main Mix OFF

**NRPN** with parameter ID 18

OFF value = 00 to 3F

Select channel	Parameter	Set OFF
BN, 63, CH,	BN, 62, 18,	BN, 06, 3F

## AUX / FX / Matrix Send Level

**SysEx** message

Where SndN and SndCH are the MIDI channel and Note number for the Mix to be sent to.

Send value LV -inf to +10dB = 00 to 7F (refer to table)

**Message:**

SysEx Header, 0N, 0D, CH, SndN, SndCH, LV, F7

## DCA Assignment ON

**NRPN** with parameter ID 40

ON value DB for DCA 1 to 16 = 40 to 4F (refer to table)

Select channel	Parameter	Set ON
BN, 63, CH,	BN, 62, 40,	BN, 06, DB

## DCA Assignment OFF

**NRPN** with parameter ID 40

OFF value DA for DCA 1 to 16 = 00 to 0F (refer to table)

Select channel	Parameter	Set OFF
BN, 63, CH,	BN, 62, 40,	BN, 06, DA

## Mute Group Assignment ON

**NRPN** with parameter ID 40

ON value DB for Mute Group 1 to 8 = 50 to 57 (refer to table)

Select channel	Parameter	Set ON
BN, 63, CH,	BN, 62, 40,	BN, 06, DB

## Mute Group Assignment OFF

**NRPN** with parameter ID 40

OFF value DA for Mute Group 1 to 8 = 10 to 17 (refer to table)

Select channel	Parameter	Set OFF
BN, 63, CH,	BN, 62, 40,	BN, 06, DA

## Channel Name

**SysEx** message

Gets or sets the Name with up to 8 characters (up to 8 can be displayed on the Avantis strip LCD)

### To get Name from Avantis

Send... **SysEx Header**, 0N, 01, CH, F7

Reply... **SysEx Header**, 0N, 02, CH, Name, F7 where **Name** = Hex ASCII String

### To set Name

(refer to table)

**SysEx Header**, 0N, 03, CH, Name, F7 where **Name** = Hex ASCII String

## Channel Colour

**SysEx** message

Gets or sets the Colour with a choice of 7 colours or no colour

### To get Colour from Avantis

Send... **SysEx Header**, 0N, 04, CH, F7

Reply... **SysEx Header**, 0N, 05, CH, Col, F7 where **Col** = 00 to 07 (refer to table)

### To set Colour

**SysEx Header**, 0N, 06, CH, Col, F7 where **Col** = 00 to 07 (refer to table)

## Scene Recall

**Bank** and **Program Change** message

To recall one of the 500 Scenes using 4 banks

Also transmits this message when a Scene is recalled from the Avantis screen

**SS** = Scene number within bank = 00 to 7F (refer to table)

**Bank** = Bank of scenes

Bank 1 - Scene 1 to 128 **Bank** = 00

Bank 2 - Scene 129 to 256 **Bank** = 01

Bank 3 - Scene 257 to 384 **Bank** = 02

Bank 4 - Scene 385 to 500 **Bank** = 03

**Select bank** **Recall Scene**

BN, 00, Bank, CN, SS

## MIDI Strips

**Custom MIDI** messages

Fader strips can be assigned as MIDI Strips. There are 32 MIDI Strips available.

Each fader strip control can be assigned to transmit a custom MIDI message. This is used for controlling audio within a Digital Audio Workstation (DAW), a slave mixer, or parameters on external equipment such as effects devices. MIDI Strips can be named and coloured. They are stored within Scenes and can be made Safe from Scene recall.

The Template Shows load the following factory default messages for the MIDI Strip controls. These can be edited to suit your application. If required, they can be restored to default from within Scene 1 'Reset Settings' in the Template Show.

- Fader **B1, 00, <VAR>** to **B1, 1F, <VAR>** *DAW track Level*
- Gain Rotary **B2, 00, <VAR>** to **B2, 1F, <VAR>**
- Pan Rotary **B2, 20, <VAR>** to **B2, 3F, <VAR>**
- Sends Rotary **B2, 40, <VAR>** to **B2, 5F, <VAR>**
- Rotary Custom 1 **B2, 60, <VAR>** to **B2, 7F, <VAR>**
- Rotary Custom 2 **B2, 60, <VAR>** to **B2, 7F, <VAR>**
- Rotary Custom 3 **B2, 60, <VAR>** to **B2, 7F, <VAR>**
- Mute switch = **91, 00, <VAR>** to **91, 1F, <VAR>** *DAW track Mute*
- Mix switch = **91, 20, <VAR>** to **91, 3F, <VAR>** *DAW track Select*
- PAFL switch = **91, 40, <VAR>** to **91, 5F, <VAR>** *DAW track Solo*

Where **<VAR>** is the value determined by the position of the control.

**i** **Sel** is not included as this is required to select the Processing screen for configuring the MIDI Strip.

**i** By default, Rotary Custom 2 and 3 use the same values as Rotary Custom 1.

## MMC (Transport Control)

**SysEx** message **F0, 7F, 7F 06, TC, F7**

Where **TC** transport control is:

- 01** = Stop
- 02** = Play
- 04** = Fast Forward
- 05** = Rewind
- 06** = Record
- 09** = Pause

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## Avantis MIDI TCP/IP Reference Table - V1.1

Scene Number					Scene Number					Inputs		Mono Group		Mono Aux		Mono Matrix		FX Return		DCA		DCA Assign		Name						
0	01	02	03	SS	0	01	02	03	SS	N	Hex	N+1	Hex	N+2	Hex	N+3	Hex	N+4	Hex	N+4	Hex	Off	On	Char	Hex	Name	Hex			
Bank 1	Bank 2	Bank 3	Bank 4	Hex	Bank 1	Bank 2	Bank 3	Bank 4	Hex	CH	Hex	CH	Hex	CH	Hex	CH	Hex	CH	Hex	CH	Hex	DA	DB	Space	20	Char	Hex	Name	Hex	
1	129	257	385	00	65	193	321	449	40	1	00	1	00	1	00	1	00	1	20	1	36	1	00	40	A	41	a	61	!	21
2	130	258	386	01	66	194	322	450	41	2	01	2	01	2	01	2	01	2	21	2	37	2	01	41	B	42	b	62	"	22
3	131	259	387	02	67	195	323	451	42	3	02	3	02	3	02	3	02	3	22	3	38	3	02	42	C	43	c	63	#	23
4	132	260	388	03	68	196	324	452	43	4	03	4	03	4	03	4	03	4	23	4	39	4	03	43	D	44	d	64	%	25
5	133	261	389	04	69	197	325	453	44	5	04	5	04	5	04	5	04	5	24	5	3A	5	04	44	E	45	e	65	&	26
6	134	262	390	05	70	198	326	454	45	6	05	6	05	6	05	6	05	6	25	6	3B	6	05	45	F	46	f	66	'	27
7	135	263	391	06	71	199	327	455	46	7	06	7	06	7	06	7	06	7	26	7	3C	7	06	46	G	47	g	67	(	28
8	136	264	392	07	72	200	328	456	47	8	07	8	07	8	07	8	07	8	27	8	3D	8	07	47	H	48	h	68	)	29
9	137	265	393	08	73	201	329	457	48	9	08	9	08	9	08	9	08	9	28	9	3E	9	08	48	I	49	i	69	*	2A
10	138	266	394	09	74	202	330	458	49	10	09	10	09	10	09	10	09	10	29	10	3F	10	09	49	J	4A	j	6A	+	2B
11	139	267	395	0A	75	203	331	459	4A	11	0A	11	0A	11	0A	11	0A	11	0A	11	40	11	0A	4A	K	4B	k	6B	,	2C
12	140	268	396	0B	76	204	332	460	4B	12	0B	12	0B	12	0B	12	0B	12	0B	12	41	12	0B	4B	L	4C	l	6C	-	2D
13	141	269	397	0C	77	205	333	461	4C	13	0C	13	0C	13	0C	13	0C	13	0C	13	42	13	0C	4C	M	4D	m	6D	.	2E
14	142	270	398	0D	78	206	334	462	4D	14	0D	14	0D	14	0D	14	0D	14	0D	14	43	14	0D	4D	N	4E	n	6E	/	2F
15	143	271	399	0E	79	207	335	463	4E	15	0E	15	0E	15	0E	15	0E	15	0E	15	44	15	0E	4E	O	4F	o	6F	:	3A
16	144	272	400	0F	80	208	336	464	4F	16	0F	16	0F	16	0F	16	0F	16	0F	16	45	16	0F	4F	P	50	p	70	<	3B
17	145	273	401	10	81	209	337	465	50	17	10	17	10	17	10	17	10	17	10	17	46	17	10	50	Q	51	q	71	>	3C
18	146	274	402	11	82	210	338	466	51	18	11	18	11	18	11	18	11	18	11	18	47	18	11	51	R	52	r	72	=	3D
19	147	275	403	12	83	211	339	467	52	19	12	19	12	19	12	19	12	19	12	19	48	19	12	52	S	53	s	73	>	3E
20	148	276	404	13	84	212	340	468	53	20	13	20	13	20	13	20	13	20	13	20	49	20	13	53	T	54	t	74	?	3F
21	149	277	405	14	85	213	341	469	54	21	14	21	14	21	14	21	14	21	14	21	4A	21	14	54	U	55	u	75	@	40
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24	152	280	408	17	88	216	344	472	57	24	17	24	17	24	17	24	17	24	17	24	4D	24	17	57	X	58	x	78	]	5D
25	153	281	409	18	89	217	345	473	58	25	18	25	18	25	18	25	18	25	18	25	4E	25	18	58	Y	59	y	79	^	5E
26	154	282	410	19	90	218	346	474	59	26	19	26	19	26	19	26	19	26	19	26	4F	26	19	59	Z	5A	z	7A	~	5F
27	155	283	411	1A	91	219	347	475	5A	27	1A	27	1A	27	1A	27	1A	27	1A	27	50	27	1A	50						60
28	156	284	412	1B	92	220	348	476	5B	28	1B	28	1B	28	1B	28	1B	28	1B	28	51	28	1B	51						60
29	157	285	413	1C	93	221	349	477	5C	29	1C	29	1C	29	1C	29	1C	29	1C	29	52	29	1C	52						60
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31	159	287	415	1E	95	223	351	479	5E	31	1E	31	1E	31	1E	31	1E	31	1E	31	54	31	1E	54						60
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