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S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor Owner's Manual

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For information about hardware requirements, the interconnection of devices and the installation of the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor software, refer to the separate Installation Manual as well as the Owner's Manual for the respective MIDI device.
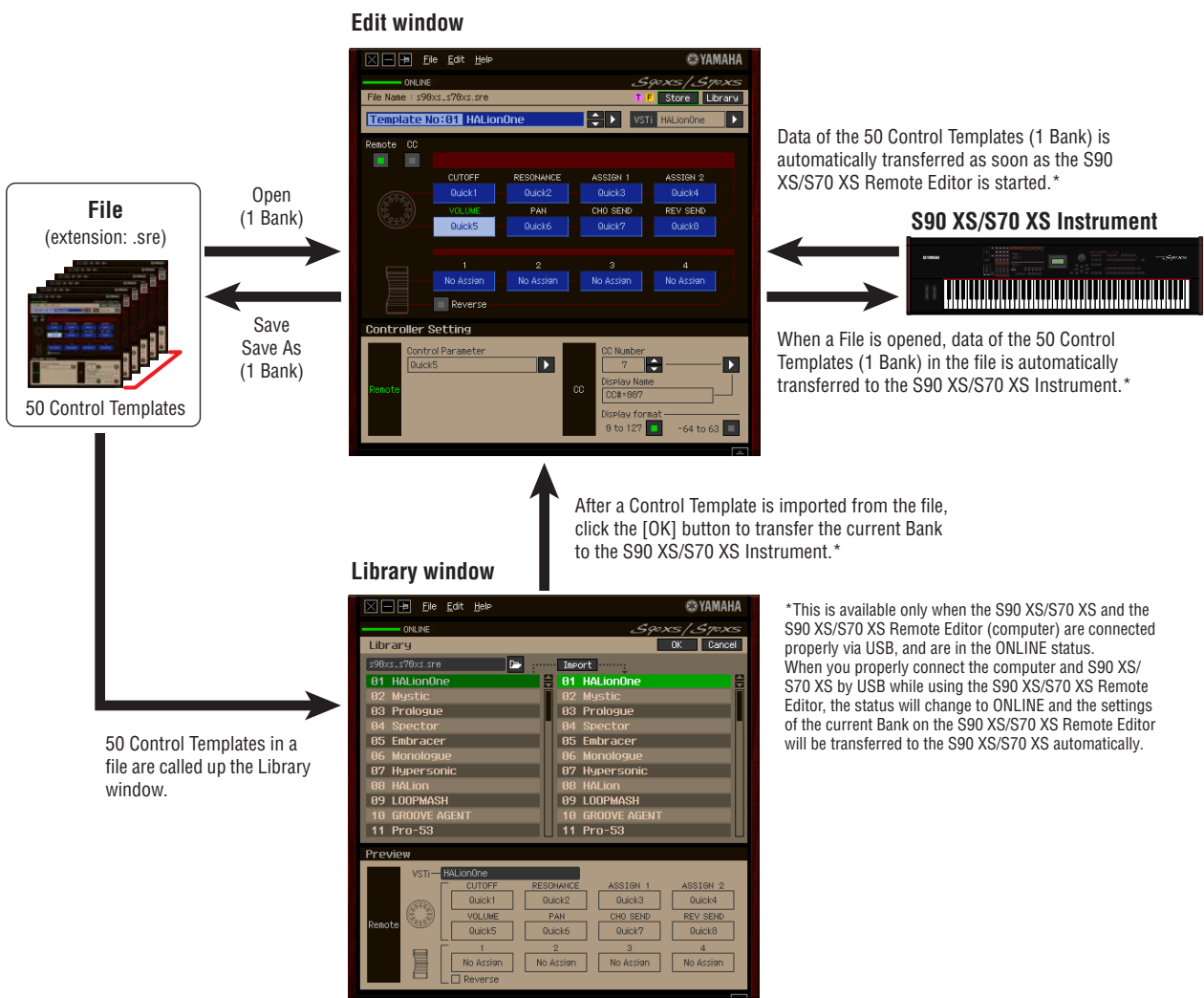

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What is the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor?

S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor is a convenient tool which lets you edit/create Control Templates for the S90 XS/S70 XS Music Synthesizer. These Control Templates let you assign the appropriate functions for your favorite VSTi to the Knobs and Sliders on the S90 XS/S70 XS. While the S90 XS/S70 XS handles up to 50 Control Templates (in a single Bank), the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor can be used to create and organize multiple Bank files, each of which contain 50 Control Templates. Data of a single Bank containing 50 Control Templates created on the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor can be transferred from the computer to the S90 XS/S70 XS and saved to the computer as a single Bank file (.rse).

Data structure of the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor

Within the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor, you can select a Bank file then edit each one of the 50 Control Template contained in the selected Bank. After finishing your edits of the selected Bank (called "Current Bank"), save the Bank data to a file by using the "Save" or "Save As…" menu. The Bank data saved to the file can be recalled when starting the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor next time.
Refer to the illustration below to understand the data structure of the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor.

Edit window

Data of the 50 Control Templates (1 Bank) is automatically transferred as soon as the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor is started.*

S90 XS/S70 XS Instrument

When a File is opened, data of the 50 Control Templates (1 Bank) in the file is automatically transferred to the S90 XS/S70 XS Instrument.*

File
(extension: .sre)

Open
(1 Bank)

Save
Save As
(1 Bank)

50 Control Templates

After a Control Template is imported from the file, click the [OK] button to transfer the current Bank to the S90 XS/S70 XS Instrument.*

Library window

*This is available only when the S90 XS/S70 XS and the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor (computer) are connected properly via USB, and are in the ONLINE status.
When you properly connect the computer and S90 XS/S70 XS by USB while using the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor, the status will change to ONLINE and the settings of the current Bank on the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor will be transferred to the S90 XS/S70 XS automatically.

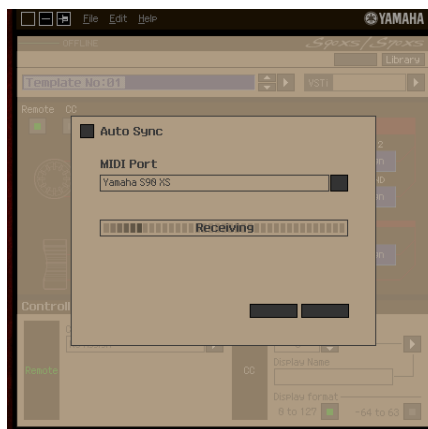50 Control Templates in a file are called up the Library window.

Operation flow from starting the application to closing it

The S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor is a software contained in the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Tools. After installing the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor and related applications by following the Installation Guide of the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Tools, follow the instructions below. Before starting, make sure that the S90 XS/S70 XS is properly connected to the computer via a USB cable. There is no single way to use the many components in the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor. Your editing needs and preferences may differ; however, the following example gives you a simple step-by-step guide in how to use the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor.

NOTE After completing installation of the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor, start the DAW software once then quit it. This operation is necessary to scan through the DAW software for obtaining the VSTi-related information. Only DAW software produced by Steinberg (such as Cubase) can be scanned.

1. Start the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor by selecting [Start] → All Programs → [Yamaha S90 XS _ S70 XS Remote Editor] → [Yamaha S90 XS _ S70 XS Remote Editor].

The Auto Sync window appears and the settings of the 50 Control Templates on the S90 XS/S70 XS are transferred automatically to the Current Bank (page 10) of the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor.

After transfer has been successfully completed, the Edit window appears.

NOTE If data transfer in the Auto Sync window fails even when the S90 XS/S70 XS and computer are connected properly, make sure to set the MIDI In/Out parameter to "USB" and the Device Number parameter to "1" or "All" in the Utility MIDI display on the S90 XS/S70 XS.

2. **Select "Setup" from the [File] menu to call up the Setup window.**

3. **Confirm that the MIDI Port is set to "Yamaha S90 XS (Yamaha S70 XS)," then select the desired DAW software from the DAW Select column.**

If the S90 XS/S70 XS and the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor are connected properly via USB, you can confirm that the MIDI Port is set to "Yamaha S90 XS (Yamaha S70 XS)" when the above window appears. The DAW selection is necessary for performing the Scan operation ("VSTi Database" menu in the [File] menu) and obtaining the VSTi-related information.

4. **Click [OK] to start the Scan operation.**

The VSTi plug-ins registered to the specified DAW software will be scanned and the information necessary for editing will be obtained.

After the scanning is completed, the previous display will appear. The setup of the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor is finished.

> **NOTE** If the VSTi scanning is not performed when you click [OK] in step 4, select [File] → [VSTi Database] → [Full Scan] to execute scanning.

5. **Start the DAW software (for example, Cubase).**

6. **Press the [DAW REMOTE] button on the S90 XS/S70 XS instrument to enter the Remote mode.**

7. **Select the Control Template, then edit the selected Control Template on the Edit window.**

Perform the editing referring to the "S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor Window (page 7)" and "Menu (page 11)." When the ONLINE status is turned on (when the S90 XS/S70 XS and the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor are connected properly via USB), setting the parameters on the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor affects the settings of the same parameters on the S90 XS/S70 XS in real time. This gives you a convenient and useful way to edit while actually controlling the VSTi.

8. **After your editing session is finished, select [File] → [Save] (or [Save As...]) to save the bank to a file.**

9. **Click "X" at the top left corner to quit the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor.**
If the edited Bank data has not been saved yet, messages appear prompting you to save it. Save a Bank file to quit the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor.

S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor Windows

The S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor consists of two windows: Edit and Library. The Edit window lets you edit the settings of the selected Control Template while the Library window lets you import or copy Control Templates.

Edit window

❶ Always on Top button

Turning this button (🔲) on keeps the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor's window always on top.

❷ ONLINE indicator

Shows whether the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor and the S90 XS/S70 XS are properly connected via USB (ONLINE status). In the ONLINE status, this indicator lights in green and any operations on the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor automatically change the parameter value on the S90 XS/S70 XS.

❸ Library button

Calls up the Library window (page 10).

❹ [Store] button

Displays the Store window to save the edited Control Template to a desired destination in the current Bank. Edited data will be transmitted to the S90 XS/S70 XS instrument when the edited Control Template is saved.

❺ File Name

Displays the file name including the current edited Template.

❻ [T] / [F] mark

Shows the Editing status of the Control Template or Bank. The [T] mark indicates that the current Control Template has been modified but not yet stored. This indicator disappears if you click the ❹ [Store] button and then execute the Template Save operation. The [F] mark is also used to indicate that the current Bank has been modified but not yet saved to a File. This indicator disappears if you execute the File Save operation.

❼ Control Template Selection box

Shows the currently selected Control Template. You can select the previous/next template by clicking the scroll button at the right of this box, or select any template in the current bank by clicking the triangular button.

❽ Instrument Select box

Shows the VSTi name which is controlled by the Knobs and Sliders. You can change the VSTi by clicking the triangular button then selecting the desired one. You can also input the VSTi name directly in this box manually. Make sure to input the VSTi name correctly.

NOTE If the desired VSTi is not shown even when you click the triangular button, refer to the Troubleshooting section on page 14.

❾ Edit section

The Knobs and Sliders illustrated here correspond to the Knobs and Sliders on the top panel of the S90 XS/S70 XS. Here, you can assign the desired function to each of the Knobs and Sliders.

❾-1 Remote/CC buttons

When Remote is selected, using the Knobs and Sliders generates the Remote Control messages exclusive for Cubase. When CC is selected, using the Knobs and Sliders generates MIDI Control Change messages.

❾-2 Function Assignment boxes

The Knobs and Sliders illustrated here are equivalent to the Knobs and Sliders on the S90 XS/S70 XS. Each of the boxes at the right side of the Knob and Slider shows the function assigned to the corresponding Knob and Slider. (The function shown here differs depending on the Remote/CC button status.) You can change the function assigned to each of the Knobs and Sliders by clicking a desired box, then selecting the desired function in the ❿ Controller Setting section. In the ONLINE status, setting this parameter changes the settings of the S90 XS/S70 XS in real time.

❾-3 [Reverse] button

Reverses the direction of the Slider operation, determining whether moving the Slider up or down increases or decreases the value. For example, when a parameter which is increased by moving the Slider up is assigned to a Slider and this button is turned on, moving the Slider up decreases the parameter value. Clicking the button once again restores the original state.

❿ Controller Setting section

Determines the function of the Knobs and Sliders corresponding to the column selected in the ❾ Edit section. There are two sections here: Remote section and CC (Control Change) section.

❿-1 Remote section

Assigns the function to the Function Assignment box selected in the ❾ Edit section. The setting here is available when the Remote/CC button is set to "Remote." Clicking "Remote" at the left of this section also sets the Remote/CC button of the Edit section to "Remote."

• Control Parameter

Click the triangular button to call up the menu, then select the desired function.

NOTE The "QuickCtrl1" – "QuickCtrl8" parameters only apply to Cubase 4.1 or later.

⑩-2 CC (Control Change) section

Assigns the function to the Function Assignment box selected in the ❾ Edit section. The setting here is available when the Remote/CC button is set to "CC." Clicking "CC" at the left of this section also sets the Remote/CC button of the Edit section to "CC."

• **CC Number (Control Change Number)**

Determines the Control Change number. Selects the Control Change number by clicking one of the scroll buttons at the right of this box. You can also input the Control Change number directly.

• **Display Name**

Selects the Knob/Slider's function name which is to be shown on the display of the S90 XS/S70 XS when the Remote/CC button of ❾ Edit section is set to "CC." Click the triangular button at the right of this box, then select the desired one. You can also input the name directly.

• **Display Format**

Sets the value format shown on the display of the S90 XS/S70 XS to "0 – 127" or "-64 – +63."
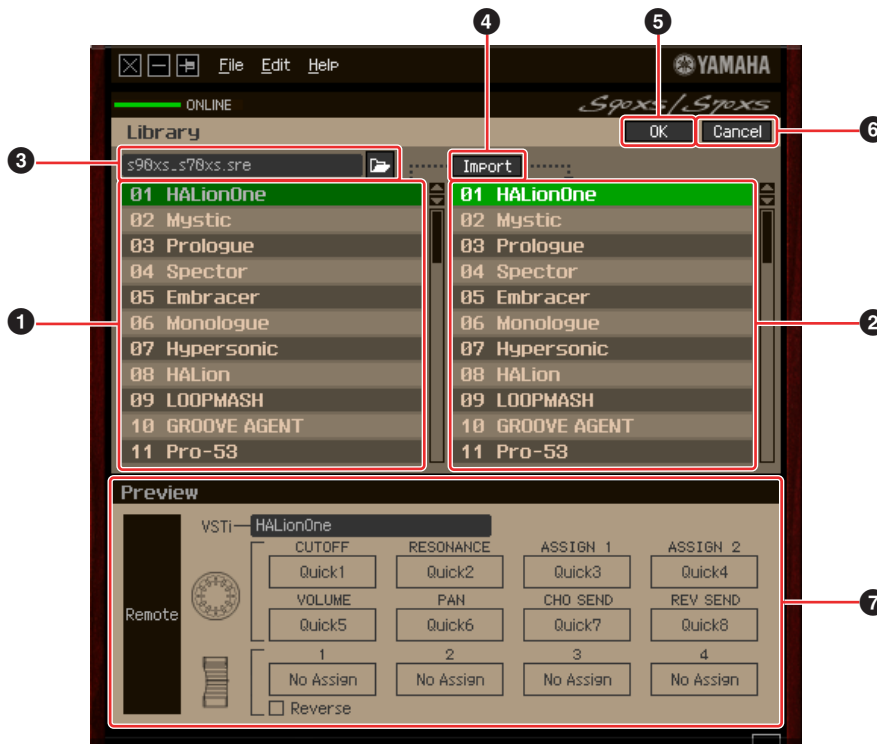
⑪ Detail button

Clicking this button closes the Controller Settings section. Click this again to open the Controller Settings section.

When closing the Controller Settings section

Library window

Clicking the Library button on the Edit window opens the Library window.

❶ Control Template List in the File

Displays a list of the Control Templates saved in the File. Select a target Control Template in this list and a destination location in the ❷ Control Template List of the Current Bank, then click the ❹ [Import] button to execute the Import operation. You can view the contents of the selected Control Template in the ❼ Preview section.

❷ Control Template List of the Current Bank

Displays a list of the Control Templates on the Current Bank. Select a desired Control Template in this list, then click the [OK] button to return to the Edit window. You can view the contents of the selected Control Template in the ❼ Preview section. You can also copy or paste a Control Template in this list.

❸ File section

Clicking the icon in this section will call up the File Select dialog. In this dialog, select the file (saved previously), then execute the File Select operation so that the Templates in the file are listed. In addition, the name of the selected file appears in the window at the left of the icon.

❹ [Import] button

Click this button to import the specific Control Template in the selected file to the Current Bank.

> **NOTE** The Import operation can be applied to just one Template at a time. You can import all Templates in the selected file at the same time by operating [File] → [Open] in the Edit window.

❺ [OK] button

Click this button to fix the Current Bank and call up the Edit window. If the status is ONLINE, the selected bank is also transferred to the S90 XS/S70 XS.
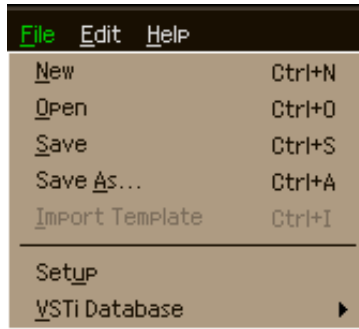
❻ [Cancel] button

Click this button to cancel editing for the Current Bank and call up the Edit window.

❼ Preview

Shows the settings of the Control Template selected in the Control Template List.

[File] menu

New

Creates and opens a new Bank file containing the default setup. This menu is available when the Edit window is shown.

Open

Opens a Bank saved in the File. This menu is available when the Edit window is shown.

Save

Saves the current settings of the Current Bank by overwriting the File you called up when starting your editing session. This menu is available when the Edit window is shown.
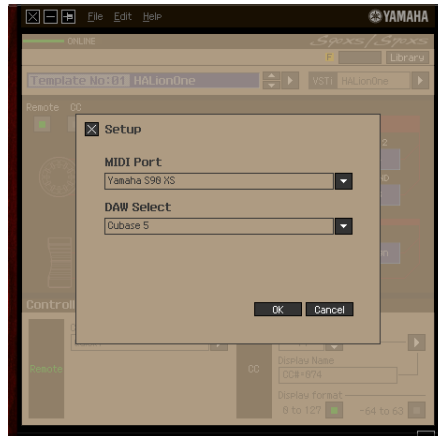
Save As

This lets you rename the File and save the current settings of the current Bank. This menu is available when the Edit window is shown.

Import Template

Imports data of a single Bank including the 50 Control Templates from a file (extension: .sre or .xml) to the Control Template List in the File in the Library window. Selecting this menu performs the same action as clicking the icon ( ) in the File section in the Library window. This menu is available when the Library window is shown.

Setup

Selects the MIDI port of the S90 XS/S70 XS and the DAW software. Selecting this menu calls up the following window. Set the parameters as necessary, then click [OK].
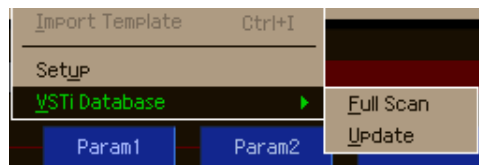
- **MIDI Port**
  "Yamaha S90 XS (Yamaha S70 XS)" is automatically selected when the S90 XS/S70 XS and the computer are connected properly via USB.

- **DAW Select**
  Specify the DAW software you are currently using here.

VSTi Database

Scans through the DAW software you are using and obtains the VSTi-related information necessary for editing. This menu consists of the following two menus.
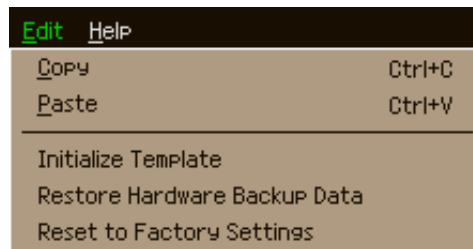
Selecting "Full Scan" scans the entire DAW software. When you scan the DAW for the first time, select "Full Scan."
Selecting "Update" scans only the sections that have been updated since previous scanning. When you've installed a new VSTi, select "Update."
The "Full Scan" is automatically executed when you start the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor the first time or you change the DAW Select settings in the Setup window.

[Edit] menu

Copy
Copies the selected data to the clipboard.

Paste
Pastes the data on the clipboard to the specified location.

Initialize Template
Resets all settings of the selected Template in the Current Bank to the initial default values.

Restore Hardware Backup Data
Restores all settings of all the Control Templates in the Current Bank and the S90 XS/S70 XS instrument to the previous settings, before the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor was opened. This menu is available when the Library window is shown.

Reset to Factory Settings
Restores all settings of all the Control Templates in the Current Bank and the S90 XS/S70 XS instrument to the Factory default settings. This menu is available when the Library window is shown.

[Help] menu

Manual
Selecting this menu calls up this manual in PDF format.

About
Selecting this menu calls up information on the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor, including the version number.

Troubleshooting

Even when I click the triangular button at the right of VSTi Select/Input box in the Edit window, the VSTi plug-ins registered to the DAW software are not shown as expected.

- The S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor may not properly recognize the VSTi registered in the DAW software. Select [File] → [VSTi Database] → [Full Scan] to search the VSTi information (page 12).
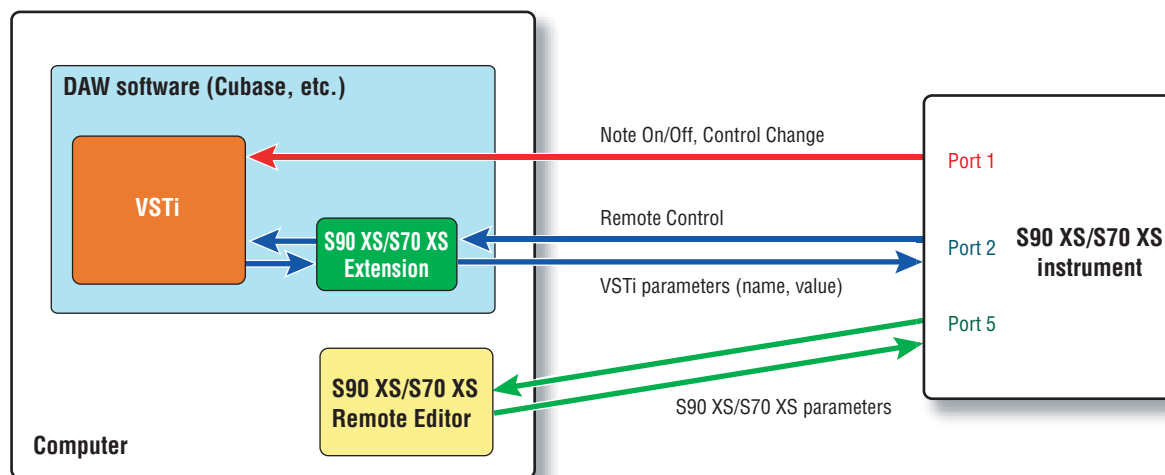
The parameters set on the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor are not displayed on the S90 XS/S70 XS.

- The display on the S90 XS/S70 XS is based on the information sent from Cubase (see the illustration above). Start Cubase and select the corresponding VSTi within Cubase.

Even when I change the VSTi on the DAW software such as Cubase, the Control Template on the S90 XS/S70 XS does not change corresponding to the newly selected VSTi.

- The VSTi-related information is obtained through the Extension software (see the illustration below). Make sure that the latest S90 XS/S70 XS Extension is installed.
- Make sure that the VSTi name displayed on the DAW software is the same as the one shown in the VSTi Select/Input box (page 8).

Data transfer between the S90 XS/S70 XS Remote Editor, S90 XS/S70 XS and DAW software:

Turning the Knobs/Sliders on the S90 XS/S70 XS affects Remote parameters other than those intended for control.

- In Cubase, remove the checkmarks of "ALL MIDI Inputs" corresponding to MIDI Ports 2 and 5 for the S90 XS/S70 XS instrument.

Even when I click the triangular button at the right of Control Parameter in the Edit window, the appropriate Control Parameters are not shown.

- Make sure that the VSTi is correctly selected in the VSTi Select/Input box (page 8). If you have input the VSTi name directly, make sure that the spelling is correct and the placement of spaces (if any) is correct. We recommend that you select the VSTi by clicking the triangular button at the right of VSTi Select/Input box, instead of inputting the VSTi name directly.

On the DAW software other than Cubase, the set parameters are not controlled.

- The Remote control functions are available only for Cubase. Set the Remote/CC buttons (page 8) to "CC."
- Make sure to select a parameter except to "Cubase" on the Daw Select display of the Utility mode in the S90 XS/S70 XS instrument.

Even when I select another track on the DAW software, the VSTi to be controlled does not change; instead, the VSTi which is assigned to the previously selected track remains under control.

- On the DAW's Preferences dialog, select [Editing]-[Project & Mixer], then checkmark both "Sync Project and Mixer Selection" and "Enable Record on Selected Track."
- When using Cubase, select "Yamaha S90 XS/S70 XS" in the Remote Device Setup window, then select Port 2 for the S90 XS/S70 XS as the MIDI Input/Output.
- Make sure to set the S90 XS/S70 XS instrument to the Remote mode.