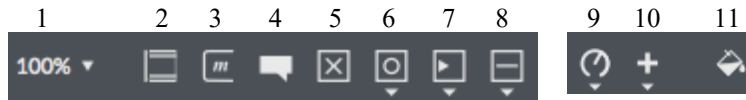


Max 8 Interface

Top Toolbar



1. Zoom 2. Object 3. Message 4. Comment 9. Max for Live Objects
5. Toggle 6. Buttons 7. Numbers 8. Sliders 10. Add Object
11. Format

KEY COMMANDS (x)

Zoom (z/shift-z)	New object (n)	Message (m)	Comment (c)
Toggle (t)	Button (b)	Numbers: int (i) & float (f)	Sliders (s)

Bottom Toolbar



12. Lock/Unlock¹

13. Enable Operate While Unlocked	14. Presentation Mode	15. Patcher Windows
16. Show Objects over Connections	17. Show/Hide Grid	18. Save Snippet
19. Enable/Disable Debug	20. Assign MIDI Map	21. Assign Key Map

Frequently Used Menu Items


File	Edit	View	Object	Arrange
- New Patcher	- Undo/Redo	- Edit	- Show Fonts	- Bring to Front
- Open...	- Cut/Copy/Paste	- Inspector Window	- Fix Width (Cmd-j)	- Bring Forward
- Save	- Delete	- Zoom In/Out	- Inspector	- Send to Back
- Save As...	- Duplicate	- Sidebar	- Color	- Send Backward
	- Select All	- Toolbar	- Hide on Lock	- Auto Align (Cmd-y)
	- Encapsulate	- Show CPU Usage	- Show on Lock	- Distribute
	- Decapsulate			
	- Stop Scheduler			
	- Resume			

Options	Debug	Windows	Extras	Help
- Overdrive	- Enable	- Max Console	- Audio Tester	- Max Tour
- Auto Fix Width	Debugging		- Key MIDI	- Browse Lessons
- Segmented Patch Chords			- MIDI Tester	- Open Help
- Assistance				- Open Reference
- MIDI Setup...				- Examples
- Audio Status...				
- File Preferences...				

¹ **Lock/Unlock:** Toggle between *Run* and *Edit* modes (Cmd-click on patcher window, or Cmd-e).

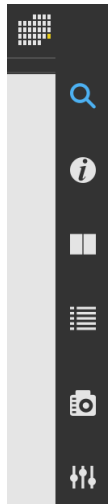
Left Toolbar

Provides browser and drag-and-drop access to objects, media files, code snippets, and more.

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- A vertical toolbar with 11 icons: 1. Package Manager (Max Packages) - icon of a box with a yellow dot; 2. File browser (All files in Max's search path) - icon of a magnifying glass; 3. Object browser (All Max objects) - icon of a document; 4. Audio browser (Audio files; Drag to create a playlist) - icon of a musical note; 5. Video browser (Video files; Drag to create a playlist) - icon of a video camera; 6. Image browser (Image files; Drag to create a playlist) - icon of a picture; 7. Snippet browser (Code snippets from your personal library) - icon of a paperclip; 8. Plug-in browser (VST & Audio Unit plug-ins; Max4Live devices) - icon of a plug; 9. Vizzie browser (High-level video tools) - icon of a video camera with a play button; 10. Beap browser (High-level modular synth tools) - icon of a letter 'b' in a circle; 11. Collections Browser (Access collections created with the File browser) - icon of a star.
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Right Toolbar

Quick access to the Calendar, Search Inspector, Object Reference, Max Console, Snapshots, etc.

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- A vertical toolbar with 6 icons: 12. Calendar - icon of a grid; 13. Search - icon of a magnifying glass; 14. Inspector - icon of an information 'i' in a circle; 15. Reference - icon of a document with a checkmark; 16. Max Console - icon of a list; 17. Snapshots - icon of a camera; 18. Mappings - icon of two people.
- 12 Calendar – Access recent files
 - 13 Search – Search for a Max object; Search the Max Documentation
 - 14 Inspector – Edit the attributes of a Max object
 - 15 Reference – Object Reference: Show arguments, messages, attributes, see also feature, etc.
 - 16 Max Console – Displays **print** output, error messages, status info., warnings, etc.
 - 17 Snapshots – Save the current state of patchers and plugins
 - 18 Mappings – Connect MIDI controllers and the computer keyboard to user interface elements

Audio

On/Off, Meter/Gain, and Global Transport



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