

FX TYPE: Bass Envelope Filter Based on the Chunk Systems® Agent 00Funk mkII™ Enclosure Size: 125B "Softie" compatibility: none © 2020 madbeanpedals



Overview

The Agent 00Funk and BrownDog were produced by Australia's ChunkSystems and marketed to the bass playing community (Bootsy Collins was apparently a big fan) around the late 00's to early 2010's. I'm not sure if they went completely out of business but the pedals seemed to have been discontinued and only show up on the used market. That makes for ripe DIY projects!

The **JunkTrunk** is based on the 00Funk. It's an envelope filter with a number of familiar elements and some thoughtful design execution. Plus, it doesn't require any out of production parts so the overall build price is reasonable. It's very responsive to bass and lives up to its funk moniker. Combined with the GasTank project it will even deliver some bass synth type tones.

Special note: Neither the Agent 00Funk nor the BrownDog were true-bypass. In fact, they are not even buffered bypass being that the only outputs were switched. The JunkTrunk is wired for true-bypass, although I did preserve their method of bypass LED operation (it uses a transistor with a small time delay to avoid popping). The GasTank can also be wired as true-bypass but only if the ENV jack option is not used. Otherwise, it must be wired as the original. Details about that are in the GasTank doc.

Controls

- **PITCH** Sets the frequency of the swept filter from low to high.
- SMOOTH Sets the length of the swept filter. CCW is short ("jerky") and CW is long ("smooth").
- **SQUELCH** Adjusts the resonant peak of the swept filter. CCW is low resonance ("subtle") and CW is high ("mayhem").
- **SWEEP** Determines the range of the swept filter. CCW is narrow, CW is wide.
- D/U Determines the direction of the filter. Left is down, right is up.
- **ENV (optional)** This jack is used to connect to the Gas Tank (bass fuzz) to allow for more dynamic response in the filter when both pedals are used together. More details in the Notes section.

<u>The potentiometer controls in this circuit have some dead spots at the extremes.</u> They don't all "do something" at every setting and sounds need to be dialed in. Particularly, you'll find the Sweep control settings will have a certain range depending on where the Pitch control is set. The Pitch control doesn't really do anything when it's all the way up. Smooth and Squelch also share some interdependency with the other controls, too. IOW, when you encounter this your build is probably working correctly. It's the nature of the design and takes a little getting used to.

The JunkTrunk (and GasTank) are primarily bass effects. If you do build the JunkTrunk for guitar, I suggest trying smaller values for C2 and C3. This will adjust the center frequency of the filter. Suggested values are 1n through 6n8 (use the same value for both caps). Experiment and find what you like best. The GasTank doesn't sound that great as a guitar fuzz, you can get some neat synth-like settings when you combine it with the JunkTrunk.

This demo will give you a really good idea of how the Agent 00Funk and BrownDog operate and sound: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OEHMyviwZMA&t</u>

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Resi	stors	Ca	aps	Dioc	des
R1	1M	C1	100n	D1	1n914
R2	220k	C2	10n	D2	1n914
R3	1M	C3	10n	D3	1n914
R4	100k	C4	4u7	D4	3v9
R5	1k	C5	100n	D5	1N5817
R6	100R	C6	4u7	LED2	YELLOW
R7	2k2	C7	100uF	Transi	stors
R8	2k2	C8	100n	Q1	2n3904
R9	3k3	C9	4u7	IC	S
R10	22k	C10	4u7	IC1	TL074
R11	1k	C11	100uF	IC2	LM13700
R12	1k			IC3	LM324
R13	3k3			Swite	ches
R14	10k			D/U	DPDT
R15	10k			Jac	ks
R16	10k			ENV	Mono Jack
R17	220k			Pots	
R18	470k			SMOOTH	100kA
R19	10k			SQUELCH	100kA
R20	1k			SWEEP	100kA
R21	10k			PITCH	100kA
R22	10k				
R23	10k				
R24	10k				
R25	20k				
R26	1M				
R27	10k				
R28	22k				
R29	270k				
R30	47k				
R31	150k				
R32	1M				
R33	1M				
R34	4k7				
R35	47k				

Value	QTY	Туре	Rating
100R	1	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
1k	4	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
2k2	2	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
3k3	2	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
4k7	1	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
10k	9	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
20k	1	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
22k	2	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
47k	2	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
100k	1	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
150k	1	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
220k	2	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
270k	1	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
470k	1	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
1M	5	Metal / Carbon Film	1/4W
10n	2	Film	16v min.
100n	3	Film	16v min.
4u7	4	Electroltyic	16v min.
100uF 2		Electroltyic	16v min.
1n914	3		
3v9	1	1W Zener	
1N5817	1		
LED	1	Yellow, Diffused	5mm
2n3904	1		
TL074	1		
LM13700	1		
LM324	1		
DPDT	1	On/On, Solder Lug	
Mono Jack	1	1/8" (optional)	
100kA	4	PCB Right Angle 16mr	

The yellow LED is part of the envelope detector. For a bypass indicator LED, you can use any of the standard 3 or 5mm diffused types.

3.9v 1W Zener:

https://www.mouser.com/ProductDetail/771-1N4730A113/ https://www.taydaelectronics.com/diodes/zener/1n4730-zener-diode-1w-3-9v.html

TL074:

http://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/ic-tl074/

LM324:

http://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/ic-Im324n/

LM13700:

https://www.mouser.com/ProductDetail/926-LM13700N-NOPB/

LM13600 (sub):

http://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/ic-njm13600d/

DPDT (On/On):

http://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/dpdt-on-on-solder-term/

16mm PCB Right Angle Pots (100kA):

smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/alpha-single-gang-16mm-right-angle-pc-mount/

Thinline DC Jack:

http://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/dc-power-jack-all-plastic-unswitched-2-1-mm/

Open-Frame Mono (recommended for this build):

http://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/1-4-in-mono-nys229/

Optional

1/8" MiniJack: http://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/1-8-mono-pc-mount/

When using the miniJack option, you will need a 1/8" plug to connect the JunkTrunk and GasTank. You can actually use a standard TRS headphone type cable for this. Even though it is stereo, it will connect to the linked jacks as if it were mono.

Something like this will work: https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B00NO73IN2/ref=ox_sc_act_title_1?smid=ATVPDKIKX0DER&psc=1

You can also construct your own 1/8" plugs with a couple of these: <u>http://smallbear-electronics.mybigcommerce.com/1-8-mono-straight/</u>

Notes

The ENV jack allows you to alter how the envelope follower operates in the JunkTrunk. As a standalone effect, the envelope follower is keyed off the buffered input of the JunkTrunk. With a clean signal going in the envelope tracks very well to player dynamics. But let's say you are using the companion Gas Tank (bass fuzz) project in front of the JunkTrunk. Now you have a massive squared up fuzz feeding the input of the JunkTrunk and its envelope follower will be less responsive to those same playing dynamics due to the compressed nature of the fuzz.

The ENV jack let's you fix that by taking the same type of buffered input from the GasTank and feeding it directly to the envelope follower of the JunkTrunk. So, you still have the fuzz going into the JunkTrunk, but the envelope reacts as if it's being fed a clean signal. Neat, huh?

The ENV jack is optional. It's only used if you are planning on building both the Gas Tank *and* JunkTrunk. If you are not building the GasTank do not install the jack. Or, you can choose to build both projects without the envelope jack. They will work together without it. I think it's well worth the few added dollars to include it since it adds another dimension to the fuzz/envelope combo.

The miniJack "Breadbuddy" PCB is included with both the JunkTrunk and GasTank. This makes the wiring easier.



Solder the 1/8" jack to the included miniJack PCB first.

Wire the two PCBs together as shown. You do not need to connect the "SN" pads together in this case.



If you are not using the miniJack, solder a jumper between the two outside pads on the JunkTrunk (T and TN).

PS: It may be possible to use a 1/4" jack in place of the 1/8" one and just use a standard pedal patch cable. You'll need to alter the drilling diagram later on in this doc to do so. Best bet is to put the third 1/4" jack near the spot on the drilling diagram where the DC jack is, and then move the DC jack between the input and output. You'll need to use a switched jack like this: <u>smallbear-electronics.</u> <u>mybigcommerce.com/1-4-mono-enclosed-nmj4hcd2/</u>

Spend some time to get the drill spots correct so everything fits. Good luck!



- The JunkTrunk is wired for true bypass rather than the wiring used on the original Agent 00Funk.
- See Notes for 1/8" mini jack wiring.

Note: Drill Guides are approximate and may require tweaking depending on the types of jacks, switches and pots you use.



 Although this template shows enclosed jacks I recommend open frame jacks like the Neutriks for this build. When installing the PCB in the enclosure, first wire the DC jack. Then mount the 1/8" jack to the enclosure. Finish by mounting the 1/4" jacks. It's a close fit (four different jacks at the top!) but goes together smoothly if you do it in that order.

IC1	TL074	IC2	LM13700	IC3	LM324
1	4.55	1	1.3	1	4.65
2	4.58	2	ignore	2	4.55
3	4.55	3	4.56	3	4.56
4	9.14	4	4.56	4	9.14
5	4.35	5	5.76	5	4.76
6	4.55	6	0	6	4.76
7	4.56	7	5.76	7	4.76
8	4.6	8	4.57	8	3.09
9	4.56	9	4.54	9	4.2
10	4.56	10	5.74	10	4.2
11	0	11	9.14	11	0
12	4.56	12	5.74	12	3.24
13	4.61	13	4.56	13	3.3
14	4.56	14	4.56	14	3.3
		15	ignore		
		16	1.26		

- 9.42vDC One Spot
- Current Draw: ~20mA
- Testing conditions: pots 1/2up, toggle switch left side.



Schematic

