
Subject: I need 2 more db...

Posted by [Neil](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 02:15:56 GMT

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28 track project right now with 9 analog processors and a 70% UAD-1 load. I just had a mix 99.9% ready to burn and I uninstalled a plugin and replaced it with a different one. Got a corrupt project warning and had to revert back to the last saved project. Luckily I had done a save about 5 minutes before so I didn't lose much, except the final tweaks. Of course, there was a guy looking over my shoulder while glancing at his watch saying stuff like "dude.....I've never seen Pro Tools do anything like that. You gonna' be able to fix this quick?".

I think it is just the v4 software. Luckily I can go back to v3. I will lose some features that I really like (and which are the reason I upgraded to v4), but I may just have to do this.

I replied to your PM , BTW

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Deej

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Posted by [Deej \[4\]](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 04:01:58 GMT

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Posted by [Neil](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 04:36:18 GMT

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>Damn!!!!.....an attacking "T" trout? What's really wierd is that I booted my
rig up this morning and all of the patch configurations were correct. this
is the only time that has happened.....of course, then I had a wierd
crash, which has never happened. I'm having lost of FUD right about now.

;o)

"Wireline" <kennospam@wi

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Posted by [Deej \[4\]](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 04:42:35 GMT
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proggie isn't ready for prime time in some areas. I thought the people on
the Cubase.net forum who were going ballistic about the ugs were just a
bunch of wankers until I started trying to push this program a little. I may
go back to SX3....or I may just upgrade to N3. One of my clients is writing
music for video and I think N3 may be a logical move to make. It's got the
features of C4 that were the reason I upgraded from SX3, plus it's got the
post capabilities.

I did try saving the routing scenarios as you described. Sometimes I can save a project, shut the computer down, reboot it, open the project and everything is saved. Other times, the patches (inputs mostly) are disconnected and sometimes different inputs and outputs have been assigned

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Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 05:05:38 GMT

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to the external FX. the idea of the drivers initializing in a different sequence would make sense except that the I/O that are patched into my digital patchbay are not being switched, and if these remain the same, that would indicate that the cards are showing up in the same order each time.

Deej (the drama queen)

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My best friend Bonnie just got her new IBM laptop. She bought Norton Ghost but has never used it, wanting to wait until her new laptop arrived and she could make a clean install without it ever having been on the internet. So, she's ready.

Ghost thing has two versions, 10 and 2003. Which should she use? I've heard (can't remember where) that older versions of Ghost were better than the newest one, which I assume is 10.

I just read all the old Paris posts mentioning Ghost, and <http://www.nu2.nu/pebuilder/>

is mentioned. Looks like a good thing. The reference to it said it works with Ghost 8. This seems to be no longer available.

Any suggestions, ideas, etc? Bonnie's ready to do something...

-steve the mostly mac guy

(Although I have an XP machine, and I think now I'm going to try that <http://www.nu2.nu/pebuilder/> thing myself...)Nuendo 3 is totally solid here as well.

Dedric

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done it, but if it is the answer, dealing with this doofussness is much
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sheesh!!!!!!oh yeah.....this would be a workaround, since if the program was
functioning normally, it would save whatever was patched to whatever else.
All this will do is allow "it" to do the patching by default.....it.but
anyway...whatever "it" wants to do, I guess I'm fine with,.

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news:46994594@linux...

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>You'll never crack the German logic. hehe

Oh, If you want to link channels it will hose up the record enabling, so you need to FIRST record enable the group of channels you want to link (like 10 drums), THEN LINK them. Then it works fine so far ;-)

If you don't do it that way then only some of the record enabled / linked tracks will actually record.

JohnHe's going to sit on one of 'em. That way he'll get that spinal-level imaging that most people find to be so elusive.

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"Dave(EK Sound)" <audioguy_editout_@shaw.ca> wrote:

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>Brad Lyons wrote:

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>> Rod,

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>> Yeah---I'm with ya! I've always been "anal" about audio fidelity and sound,

>> I don't settle for low or even mid-grade. My monitoring setup is high-grade....

>> Digidesign 192I/O to an Apogee MiniDAC into a pair of ADAM Audio S1A's and

>> an Adam 10" sub, I'm about to add a second subwoofer for better imaging.

>> That chain right there is \$10,0000 just to listen to 2-channels of audio

>> and believe me, you can hear the SLIGHTEST little detail. It's hard to listen

>> to CD's in that system because it's capable of far better fidelity.

>>

>> Brad Lyons

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>> "Rod Lincoln" <rlincoln@nospam.kc.rr.com> wrote:

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>>>"Brad Lyons" <brad@audioandmidi.com> wrote:

>>>It's easy

>>>to think everyone listens to MP3's, I can't stand them to be honest--the

>>>audio quality is awful in even the best MP3's when compared to raw audio

>>>through high-resolution D/A's and monitors or high-end home theatre systems.

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>>>I totally agree. I really don't get any enjoyment out of listening to mp3's.

>>>They're kind of like cassettes. Handy for learning songs, but not good.

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>> Most

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>>>of my friends look at me like I'm crazy when I say that. Good to know someone

>>>lese feels the same way.

>>>Rod

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>>Yep! People say bass is non-directional and honestly, that just isn't true.

My room is tuned quite well, the monitoring chain has no short-comings from the microphone to my monitors. By moving the sub around the room, you can hear it's placement. Likewise, different placement yields different results.

So I'm going to put one Adam 10" Sub on the left and one on the right configured in a 3-way design.

Brad

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Posted by [TCB](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 14:57:27 GMT

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Problem is: If you don't know how to achieve great drum sounds witha live kit, then using BFD will render no help at all...That Means: If you call

up a BFD sample via Drummagog, ...you then have proceed to treat the sad drum track like you would a live "Miked" drum... Yikes!!.

That's why I go with the great sounding "Already Primo" Drum samples.. Hey, I'm a Producer/Composer/Engineer...I need quick , but, great results...fast, when I call up Drumagog.. Not tweaking to get those RAW BFD drums right..

Hey, on another note: Native Instruments Battery 3 is a BEAST!! And the Library that comes with it, is First class.. In-which you can use these great samples with Drumagog..

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>>>learning it and I'm really discovering more and more about what an
>>>integral
>>
>>>"instrument" a drum kit is.
>>>
>>>
>>
>
>
>This is a multi-part message in MIME format.

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Rod,
I am working from a clone that was totally good with two
fully loaded Mecs. I have to assume the drivers are good.
I'm looking for a good vendor for SCSI cables now.
They're called SCSI 2 right?

Subject: Re: I need 2 more db...
Posted by [Deej](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 15:36:56 GMT
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/>
>> up a BFD sample via Drummagog, ...you then have proceed to treat the sad
>> drum track like you would a live "Miked" drum... Yikes!!

Subject: Re: I need 2 more db...
Posted by [neil\[1\]](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 15:51:08 GMT
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g weekend. No more time for hell in =
Paris.

>Thanks for all your input,
>Tom
> "Rod Lincoln" <rlincoln@nospam.kc.rr.com> wrote in message =3D
>news:4697ab8a@linux...
>
> Did you try hiding the default ppj to see if it would boot up with =
a =3D
>MEC

Subject: Re: I need 2 more db...
Posted by [Neil](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 15:52:56 GMT
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when

> creating a new session?=3D20
> Rod
> "Tom Bruhl" <arpeggio@comcast.net> wrote:
> >
> >
> >Guys,
> >I'm all set with the cables and the which card is A bit.
> >Rod you were right about what I was asking.
> >
> >In any event I scaled down to one EDS (Pretty sure that's card A =
=3D3D
> >right?!!!)
> >and p

Subject: Re: I need 2 more db...
Posted by [Neil](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 15:54:48 GMT
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lugged it into each of my two working Mecs. Paris will boot =
but

> >even internal clock was never found nor were the in/outs on each =
Mec.
> >The 442 on the other hand works like a champ one card only. I =3D
>suspect
> >either all my Mecs are screwy now or the SCSI cables are =
intermitant

=3D
>at
> =3D3D
> >best.
> >It's working fine with the 442 so I'm sticking with that for =
today.
> >I'll add my EDS cards one by one and see if that is back to =
normal.
> >
> >Thanks for the help and if I need scsi cables what and where to =
buy =3D
>them
> =3D3D
> >would be good info too.
> >Mr Testy
> > "Rod Lincoln" <rlincoln@nospam.kc.rr.com> wrote in message =3D3D
> >news:469780ce\$

Subject: Re: I need 2 more db...
Posted by [Neil](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 16:48:22 GMT
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e for hell in Paris.</DIV>
><DIV>Thanks for all your =
input,</DIV>
><DIV>Tom</DIV>
><BLOCKQUOTE=3D20
>style=3D3D"PADDING-RIGHT: 0px; PADDING-LEFT: 5px; MARGIN-LEFT: 5px; =
=3D
>BORDER-LEFT: #000000 2px solid; MARGIN-RIGHT: 0px">
> <DIV>"Rod Lincoln" <<A=3D20
> =3D
=
>href=3D3D"mailto:rlincoln@nospam.kc.rr.com">rlincoln@nospam.kc.rr.com</A=
>&g=3D
>t;=3D20
> wrote in message <A=3D20
> =
href=3D3D"news:4697ab8a@linux">news:4697ab8a@linux...</DIV>
Did =
=3D
>you try=3D20
> hiding the default ppj to see if it would boot up with a MEC =3D
>when
creating=3D20
> a new session?
Rod
"Tom Bruhl" <<

Subject: Re: I need 2 more db...
Posted by [Neil](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 17:06:24 GMT
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A=3D20

- > href=3D3D"mailto:arpeggio@comcast.net">arpeggio@comcast.net=3D20
 - > wrote:

>Guys,
>I'm all set with the cables =3D
 - >and the=3D20
 - > which card is A bit
-

Subject: Re: I need 2 more db...
Posted by [duncan](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 17:09:18 GMT
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ank">1@linux...

- > >
- > > I think Tom was asking if there was a "3.0" version of the EDS =
- card
- =3D
- >=3D3D
- > >that needed
- > > to be connected to the master. The answer to that would be =
- no.=3D3D20
- > > Is this what you were asking Tom?
- > > DJ's advice is very important though. I would do it, if you =
- haven't
- =3D
- >=3D3D
- > >already.
- > > I don't want to sound like a "RTFM" kind of guy, but the Paris =
- =3D
- >manual
- > =3D3D
- > >describes
- > > this procedure pretty well.
- > > It's on page 4 and 5 of the 3.0 version.
- > > It kind of sounds to me like you may not be hooking up the =
- correct
- =3D
- >eds
- > =3D3D
- > >card
- > > to the master mec.
- > > Rod
- > > "DJ" <animix _ at _ animas _ dot _ net> wrote:
- > > >
- > > >

> > >
 > > > "Tom Bruhl" <arpeggio@comcast.net> wrote in message =3D3D3D
 > > >news:46972376@linux...
 > > > This is really a novice oriented question but . . .
 > > > It doesn't matter which card is the "A" card
 > > > in your system as far as Paris' ID orientation right?
 > > >
 > > > Yes, it does, and the orientation of the slots you are using =
 in
 =3D
 >=3D3D3D
 > > >combination with the orientation of the ribbon cables will =3D
 >determine
 > =3D3D
 > >=3D3D3D
 > > >this. Have you changed them around during your reconfiguration?
 > > >
 > > > Start with a new SCSI cable and a single EDS card. Test each =
 =3D
 >MEC. =3D3D
 > >Once
 > > =3D3D3D
 > > >you know if there is a problem there, add a new SCSI cable and =
 =3D3D
 > >another =3D3D3D
 > > >card. Put different modul

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 Posted by [LaMont](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 18:01:09 GMT
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>right?!!!
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Posted by [Deej \[4\]](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 18:01:30 GMT
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=3D3D
>card
> to the master=3D20
> mec.
> Rod
> "DJ" <animix _ at _ animas _ =3D
>dot _ =3D20
> net> w

Subject: Re: I need 2 more db...
Posted by [Deej \[4\]](#) on Thu, 21 Jun 2007 23:44:59 GMT
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;gt; how the cards are initializing and which card is card A, B, =
C=20
as
=3D
>=3D3D
> > >you =3D3D3D
> > =
> >=20
>start=3D3D3D20
> > > > > adding more =
hardware. the=20
MEC i sent
