
Subject: The new M4A audio format. Any comments?

Posted by [Kim](#) on Sat, 22 Apr 2006 01:11:31 GMT

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Posted by [Kim](#) on Sat, 22 Apr 2006 02:41:45 GMT

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Posted by [Deej \[1\]](#) on Sat, 22 Apr 2006 03:06:46 GMT

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M what?

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Subject: Re: The new M4A audio format. Any comments?
Posted by [Paul Braun](#) on Sat, 22 Apr 2006 16:17:44 GMT
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It's also known as AAC - or the format that Apple uses for iTunes if
you so choose.

I ripped my entire cd collection into m4a for casual listening -
sounds pretty good, and lower-bitrate m4a (aac) sounds as good as
higher-bitrate mp3, and take less space.

I only use iTunes for casual listening, and for filling myPod. If I
want to do critical listening, I use the original cd in a real cd
player. So aac serves it's purpose.

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