Subject: Going crazy - please help!!
Posted by mattcelt on Sat, 15 Sep 2012 18:00:57 GMT
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Hey guys, I have a problem I can't seem to get to the bottom of. I have a mix I'm very happy with
- all the levels are good, the effects work, and I like the sound. When I'm listening to it in PARIS,
everything sounds great.

The problem is when I bounce it to disk. When I listen to the L/R PAFs (or WAVs, FLACs, or
MP3s), suddenly one of the parts of the song - a big chorus-sounding comp I put together and
inserted into the track - gets what I can only describe as "fluttery". I can't tell if it's pumping from
the compressors, a phase issue, or what.

Why can't I hear it in PARIS? Why does it only show up in the bounce? And more importantly,
how do I fix it??

If you'd like to hear it, I've put the project files (the ppj with audio) and the bounce up:
http://moreilly.com/WildRover

This is due to the mastering engineer ASAP, and I can't get a clean mix out. Any insight you guys
can provide would be amazing. Thanks in advance.

Subject: Re: Going crazy - please help!!
Posted by dnafe on Sat, 15 Sep 2012 21:31:26 GMT
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Where are you inserting this chorus / comp thing?

Subject: Re: Going crazy - please help!!
Posted by dnafe on Sat, 15 Sep 2012 21:58:17 GMT
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Sorry I'm not hearing anything on the isolate flutter L / R files

where is the problem

Subject: Re: Going crazy - please help!!
Posted by mattcelt on Sun, 16 Sep 2012 00:13:09 GMT
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Ok... I just figured it out. I wasn't hearing it direct from my DAW, so I thought it was something

that was happening in the PAF to WAV/MP3/FLAC conversion in Audacity. I could hear it both through my monitors and headphones when I was listening to the mix from the computer. But then my girlfriend listened to the mix in her car and said she couldn't hear it. So I was baffled.

On a whim, I switched my headphones to my FocusRite VRM box while I was typing this email... and the flutter completely went away. It sounds perfect. It turns out it was the usb sound module I was using all along. Somehow it was doing some data or audio compression that fucked with the sound, and my ears. And my head.

The worst part is that everything else I've ever listened to through this device.sounded just fine, so this kind of came out of nowhere.

Thanks, dnafe, for taking a look at it. Sorry for the false alarm.

Subject: Re: Going crazy - please help!!
Posted by dnafe on Sun, 16 Sep 2012 12:31:23 GMT
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Not a problem