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## Subject: Re: M-Audio follow up question - MTC Posted by Rod Lincoln on Wed, 03 Dec 2008 05:12:45 GMT

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As I would be using this setup for mixing only I can't see how this would have and effect on the real time transfer of audio between the two machines.

Maybe I'm wrong

Comments?

"Jeff Hoover" <jkhoover@excite.com> wrote in message news:4936401b@linux... > Rod Lincoln wrote:

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Subject: Re: M-Audio follow up - MIDI interface Posted by Don Nafe on Wed, 03 Dec 2008 11:59:43 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

So what do you folks recommend for a MIDI interface

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Subject: 2 Audio Cards sharing computer
Posted by Don Nafe on Wed, 03 Dec 2008 12:05:34 GMT
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Tom mentioned this near the beginning of this thread and it got me thinking (uh oh)

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I didn't think this was possible?

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Subject: Re: 2 Audio Cards sharing computer Posted by EK Sound on Wed, 03 Dec 2008 14:26:23 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I have had Paris and Nuendo running simultaneously and in sync on the \*same machine\* before... so it is possible. And that was on a PII-450.

David.

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Subject: Re: 2 Audio Cards sharing computer Posted by Tom Bruhl on Wed, 03 Dec 2008 15:31:16 GMT

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Don,

Two DAWs can work as long as there's room for all your hardware interfaces and the irqs are sharing nicely. The Midisport is a good low budget midi interface. 2x2 is more than enough. They probably have a smaller one. They are USB but that will do well enough except for sample accurate transfers. That's almost never needed here.

I personally have been using SMPTE from Paris (free from BT). It will cost you an audio track in paris and a analog out. This however will need to be converted to MTC with hardware. I have been using a Midisport 8x8 in my Cubase rig to do this. There are less expensive devices though I'll bet.

Tom

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Subject: Re: 2 Audio Cards sharing computer Posted by Aaron Allen on Thu, 04 Dec 2008 04:27:04 GMT

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WinXP & AMD 1900+, have internally synced an old program called Master Tracks Pro. Much, much tighter than using external MIDI/MTC for transport IME. However, Vegas version 1,3 & 4 all sucked bad trying this. Like, BSOD crash bad for version 4. MT Pro was shaky, but worked most of the time and when locked it was right on target. FWIW and probably 4 or 5 years ago.

### AA

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# Subject: Re: 2 Audio Cards sharing computer Posted by Tom Bruhl on Thu, 04 Dec 2008 04:48:07 GMT

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Aaron and Kim,

Maybe there's something better about 'in the same box' with Paris?

Tom

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"Kim W." <no@way.com> wrote in message news:4937581d$1@linux...

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## Subject: Re: 2 Audio Cards sharing computer Posted by Kim W on Thu, 04 Dec 2008 05:10:05 GMT

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Subject: Re: 2 Audio Cards sharing computer Posted by Don Nafe on Thu, 04 Dec 2008 11:20:08 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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And you have both cards operating at the same time and syncing audio?

If so I might have a solition

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Subject: Re: M-Audio follow up question - MTC
Posted by Martin Harrington on Mon, 08 Dec 2008 01:30:12 GMT
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Paris DEFINITELY sees a USB midi interface.

I was using one all the time, (and I mean "all the time") when I was using Paris.

I was locking to Digital Betacam for post production, and Paris was the slave...all through a Digi SMPTE slave driver....always worked.

Martin H Lend An Ear Sound On 3/12/08 1:19 PM, in article 4935f078@linux, "Don Nafe" <dnafe@rogers.com> wrote:

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> "Dave(EK Sound)" <audioguy_editout_@shaw.ca> wrote in message
> news:4935dd01@linux...
>
>> It *should* see the USB midi driver and use the attached interface...
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>> David.
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> I thought you'd say that
> I think I'll put this on hold until after the new year when I can actually
> access my rigs and do some testing.
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