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>><BR>>=20
>the=20
> graphic<BR>EQ?<BR>> ><BR>> >Since many of us are XP =
>users it=20
> can make a difference knowing what you<BR>> ><BR>> =
>>>meant=20
> since the bass is a tough instrument to EQ in the first place =
>and<BR>>=20
> >we<BR>> >>may be complicating or making it worse with =
> went with BT's<BR>> >> recommendation to crank the trim on =
>bass . . .=20
> but he was on Win98, if<BR>> I<BR>> ><BR>> >> recall=20
>a<BR>>=20
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> bit<BR>> ><BR>> >>mushy in the low to low/mid area so =
>maybe=20
> it's been there all along.<BR>> >>Concerning =
>DC=20
> offset, Mike Audet said he encountered it with a =
>narrow<BR>band<BR>>=20
>might be=20
> some correlation<BR>between<BR>> ><BR>> >>the =
>two.<BR>>=20
> >><BR>> >>Anyhow, I'm just happy to learn so much from =
>this=20
>>>Wayne<BR>>=20
> >><BR>> >><BR>> >> "tonehouse" =
><<A=20
> href=3D"mailto:zmcleod@comcast.net">zmcleod@comcast.net</a>> wrote =
>in=20
> message<BR><A =</pre>
>href=3D"news:47b9e87f@linux">news:47b9e87f@linux</A>...<BR>>=20
> >>> Yes Dinitrios ,thats what I reflected in my earlier =
>message. The=20
> EQ<BR>has<BR>> ><BR>> >> been<BR>> >> =
>screwed=20
> up since the XP conversion.." low frequency artifacts"..call<BR>>=20
> it<BR>> >DC<BR>> >> offset if you like...DC offset =
>is an=20
> easy thing to get rid of<BR>anyhow,takes<BR>> >>> about 10 =
>seconds=20
in Wavelab...<BR>>>> "Dimitrios" <<A=20</p>
> href=3D"mailto:musurgio@otenet.gr">musurgio@otenet.gr</A>> wrote in =
> message<BR><A=20
> href=3D"news:47b8d34d$1@linux">news:47b8d34d$1@linux</A>...<BR>>=20
> >>><BR>> >>> Hi Mike !<BR>> =
>>>>=20
Nice you are still on boat !!!<BR>> >>>> We count on =
>your=20
> findings here !<BR>> >>> Regarding these quirks with =
>eq, yes=20
> maybe these are XP oriented.<BR>>>>> Based on some =
>tests I=20
> did there was at least one band on EQ (the<BR>lowest)<BR>> =
>>>>=20
> that was acting differently under XP than under Me.<BR>> =
>>>>=20
> This was confirmed by other users.<BR>>>>> Another =
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>>or<BR>>=20
>>>> so coming from the eq especially noticable with drums =
>when=20
> mixing.<BR>>>>> I may say that frequency wise Paris =
>is not=20
> super stable and always<BR>trying<BR>> >>> to use =
>compressors=20
> to overcome...<BR>>>>> Anyone else sharing these =
>findings=20
> ?<BR>>>>> Regards,<BR>>>>> =
>Dimitrios<BR>>=20
> >>><BR>> >>> "Mike Audet" <mike@..> =
> wrote:<BR>> >>> >Hi=20
> All,<BR>>>>> > I've =
>been=20
> working on a mono-band version of the multiband compressor<BR>>=20
> >so<BR>> >>> that<BR>> >>> >we =
>could use=20
> will<BR>> >>> be<BR>> >>> > great =
> compressing just the lows or as a deesser.<BR>>>>>=20
> ><BR>> >>>> >I've got the mono version working, =
>and I=20
> should have the stereo<BR>version<BR>>>>> =
>finished<BR>>=20
> >>> >soon. The mono version allows 4 instances, =
>compared to=20
> two instances<BR>> >for<BR>> >>> >the full =
>multi=20
> band.<BR>> >>> > I've =
>been=20
> seems<BR>> >>> >that whenever any PARIS eq is set =
>to a=20
> narrow band and at a low<BR>> >>> frequency,<BR>>=20
>putting=20
> various DC offset<BR>> >> filters<BR>> =
>>>>=20
> >before and after the EQ, but they don't seem to help.<BR>>=20
> >>> ><BR>> >>> >If anyone out there =
> skilled in DSP math and has some ideas for<BR>how<BR>> =
>>to<BR>>=20
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>thing that=20

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> >>> > filter this better, I would love to hear from =
> As of right now,<BR>> >I'm<BR>> >>> >out of =
>ideas on=20
>I'm<BR>>=20
> >>> getting<BR>> >>> >1% DC offset =
>measurements by=20
> just tweaking the settings to minimize<BR>>> >the<BR>>>=20
> >>> >effects.<BR>> >>> ><BR>>=20
> >>> >Anyway, I just thought I'd check in and let =
>everyone know=20
> I'm not<BR>dead.<BR>> >>> ><BR>> =
>>>>=20
> >All the best,<BR>> >>> ><BR>> =
>>>>=20
> >Mike<BR>> >>><BR>> =20
> >>>BR>> >>BR>> =20
>><BR>><BR></BLOCKQUOTE>
><DIV><FONT size=3D2><BR><BR>I choose Polesoft Lockspam to fight spam, =
>and=20
>you?<BR><A=20
>href=3D"http://www.polesoft.com/refer.html">http://www.polesoft.com/refer=
>
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