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What Chuck said was that it is pumped back up before you hear it. There will be no level difference since it is back to normal by the time you hear it. It's quite possible that Paris works its magic in the mix bus at -20, (where you can't get overs!) then brings it back to 0 in a predictable and safe manner.

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Posted by [animix](#) on Tue, 17 Oct 2006 02:14:10 GMT
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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Tue, 17 Oct 2006 06:14:36 GMT
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fyi...by far the best sounding limiter to control the last stage of the
master bus is Spectraphy: <http://www.crysonic.com/spectraphy.html>

Still best to control most of the gain at the track level, or as you guys
are suggesting, groups, but for that last couple of dB, and for preventing
clipping in a musical way, Spectraphy does a great job. I've tried more
limiters than I can count and, even with minimal limiting, none maintain
musicality and smoothness of the mix the way this one does. ymmv, but it
works great for my approach to mixing itb.

Regards,
Dedric

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For me..I have solve my Neundo mixing in the box issue by summing with an analog mixer..

Also, when working at my buddies studio tih his Yamaha DM2000, mixing Neundo, Pro Tools is a joy..

yes, I agree with you all, you have to play it very safe to achieve good results in SX/Nuendo. But, I don;t like to work that way..
So, I sum using a mixer..AND I'm extreemly happy!! :)

Even just summing 2 channel(master) I can mix in Nuendo like any other DAW and "Neil" <OIUOIU@OIU.com> wrote:

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