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Posted by [Deej \[4\]](#) on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 05:16:55 GMT
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I need pain.....and I know exactly where to get it.....

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Subject: Re: Somebody's gotta' do it
Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 11:16:51 GMT
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You want pain? Run Paris in freeform mode with punch in looping buddy !
hehe

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Posted by [IOOIU](#) on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 13:11:11 GMT

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Posted by [rick](#) on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 14:24:40 GMT

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Posted by [Deej \[4\]](#) on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 16:31:30 GMT

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Yes. It's in Cubase 4 and Nuendo only but doesn't work in ADM mode.

<http://www.steinberg.net/999+M52087573ab0.html>

As far as it being something cool, I don't have the answer to that yet,
though it looks pretty useful.

Deej

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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 16:32:01 GMT

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you need to run low latency if you use it for monitor mixes to talent (you can create/assign as many submixes as you have I/O to feed).

I use it for control room monitor switching/folddown, dim, mute, etc - all a key command away, but the biggest advantage is having control over your monitoring without touching the mix buss level (e.g. dim/mute when the phone rings a let a realtime bounce keep running). Nothing you can't do with hardware, but it's convenient to have it all there in Cubase/Nuendo.

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Posted by [JeffH](#) on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 22:19:03 GMT

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Just wait til you try to send pop mail through an older router. Tim Conway could do a cross country jog faster!!!

:-)

(Don't worry, there's a fix but annoying OTB and as of a month ago not acknowledged by Microsoft).

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TCB

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PC, however (which is the one I use for e-mail, web surfing, etc.), I just let windows do it's thing - no performance tweaks - and yes this one has anti-viral apps, too, so that probably makes a difference, but several minutes after I switch it on, you can still hear the hard drive twiddling away, loading stuff... I can open Outlook & go through a several e-mails before I see a prompt that says my anti-virus has updated sucessfully, etc, etc. It's not a slow PC, really, but as I've gone ahead & accepted every update, loaded Internet ExplorerV7, and so on, it's progressively gotten slower, and slower.

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Are the problems you've found with Vista just on a user experience level, or from a developer's point of view (or both)? I'm just curious, not disagreeing.

The times I've played with it, I liked the GUI better than the semi-archaic XP approach, or eye candy of OSX - there are things in that area I think Vista does better and with more appeal than OSX. But, there is a difference between playing around with it and putting it into daily use.

Some aspects of accessing system configs is certainly different from XP, but I found it at least a little more logical than XP (not that the flow and logic of XP's layout is that hard to improve upon. And imho, OSX also has some really annoying aspects as well, so nothing is really blowing me away at the moment). Vista's Aero also runs native on the graphics card now doesn't it? That's an improvement from what I'm hearing from Vista users in the audio world. However, it does seem like legacy support is the design guide for Microsoft rather than innovation and efficiency. If Apple really wanted to capitalize on Vista's poor showing, they would release OSX standalone, but they won't.

Perhaps now is linux's time to make a dent in both markets. Time will tell I guess.

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