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# SlickEQ M Owner's Manual

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*TDR SlickEQ – M (Mastering Edition)* extends SlickEQ's proven concept into a fully-fledged stereophonic equalizer. Specifically developed for the audio mastering engineer, no compromises have been made to deliver exceptional musical flexibility free of negative side effects.

Behind an intuitive user interface hides a staggering array of possibilities: A set of musical high-pass and lowpass filters, including a low frequency "monoization" section, offer detailed control over the signal bandwidth. Six powerful parametric filter bands give detailed control over tone, timbre and the stereo image, and a sophisticated meta-filter offers direct and intuitive access to the brightness, hardness or equal loudness curve of a music signal.

All filters except HP and LP operate in a parallel EQ configuration. The EQ bands in particular include an elaborate nonlinearity inspired by the musically beneficial side effects found in inductor filter technology.

An effective auto gain mechanism automatically compensates for changes of perceived loudness while operating the EQ. In addition, intelligent signal analysis options allow matching the input signal's spectrum against a pink noise reference; or automatically setting the HP and LP filters according to the signal's audible bandwidth.

As per previous SlickEQ editions, a multirate processing scheme (a.k.a. "internal resampling") combined with elaborate signal processing techniques ensure the highest signal integrity is maintained throughout the processing.

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## **EQUALIZATION IN AUDIO MASTERING**

Mastering is an important bridge between art and engineering. Being primarily an effort in communication, listening and quality control, mastering also represents the last opportunity to correct, optimize and sweeten a recording before mass distribution. The equalizer is probably the most important sound shaping tool during this process, and mastering engineers often spend a notable amount of time with them rebalancing and matching songs into something bigger.

The correction of mixes typically involves a new balancing of tone, timbre and stereo image. The most obvious approach in this case is the use of a dual mono equalizer to process the left and right channels independently. This offers detailed spectral control over the stereo balance, and to some extent, stereo width. M/S encod-ing/decoding schemes represent an interesting alternative, as they turns any L/R equalizer into a M/S equalizer directly affecting the sum (M) and difference (S) signal independently. The latter has become common practice for frequency specific stereo widening or narrowing.

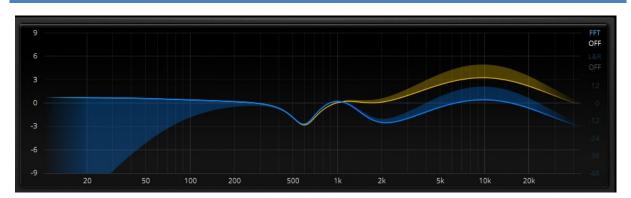
Another common task in audio mastering is bandwidth control. Mastering equalizers often include a high-pass filter to prevent any DC offset or control low frequency content to prevent further issues down the playback chain. Low-pass filters are less common in music mastering, mostly due to the fact that most analogue processors and analogue media in particular, are low-pass filters on their own. But the artificial reduction of high frequencies still has its uses. Be it for the prevention of ultrasonic content reaching the playback chain or calming an overly bright mix.

Mastering equipment is primarily designed to preserve signal fidelity. This is guaranteed by the use of low distortion, low-noise components and minimal signal paths, often only achievable with stepped control. Reliability represents another important aspect, as is the ability to easily recall previous session. Therefore, analogue mastering equalizers traditionally feature stepped controls for frequency, Q and gains, as they both facilitate recalls and manufacturing.

While these facts explain why stepped control can a beneficial "restriction" in the analog world, there is another aspect having validity in the digital world: Stepped controls relax the decision process. They free the time for better artistic decisions.

Slick EQ M (Mastering Edition) has been specifically designed to cover all these demands, and more!

## FREQUENCY MAGNITUDE DISPLAY

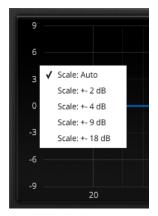


A display showing the frequency magnitude of the equalizer can be show/hidden via the "Display" button found in the toolbar.

The blue curve represents the left stereo channel, while the orange curve represents the right channel.

Half transparent blue or orange areas extending above their solid curve represent an increase in stereo width, while areas extending below the solid curves represent a narrowing of the stereo width.

### EQUALIZER FREQUENCY MAGNITUDE RULER



This ruler describes the extent of the main equalization curves (the frequency magnitude, width, and balance applied by the equalizer). The ruler will automatically adapt to fit the given curves into the visible area by default.

Click the ruler to cycle through the scales and modes, or right-click to open the selection menu.

#### ANALYZER FREQUENCY MAGNITUDE RULER



This ruler describes the extent of the analyzer curves (the signal's own frequency magnitude, width, and balance, depending on the selected mode).

Click the ruler to cycle through the scales and modes, or right-click to open the selection menu.

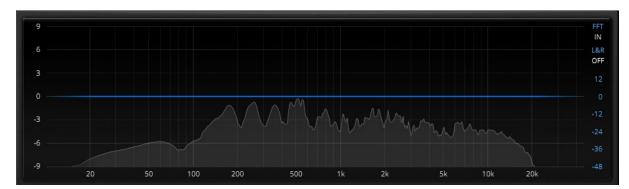
## SPECTRUM ANALYZER SOURCE



SlickEQ M's analyzer can be connected to various sources.

- Off: Disables the analyzer.
- In: Analyzer follows the plugin's input.
- Out: Analyzer follows the output.

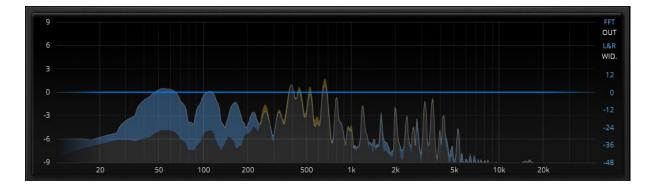
Spectrum analyzer enabled:



# STEREO ANALYSIS

FFT OUT	SlickEQ M's stereo analysis can display various sources.
L&R BAL	Off: Displays the mono content.
OFF	Wid.: Displays the stereo width content.
WID.	Bal.: Displays the stereo balance content
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In "Width" mode, a positive stereo correlation is indicated in blue, negative correlation in orange.



## **BAND CONTROLS**

## BAND ON/OFF



Turns the equalizer band on and off.

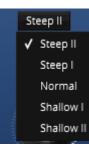
## **BAND SHAPE**



Switches between bell and shelving filter shapes.

Band 1, 2 and 3 offer low shelving filters, while band 4, 5 and 6 feature high shelves. The exact shape will depend on band steepness (see below).

## BAND STEEPNESS (Q)



The equalizer band filters have a gain and frequency dependent Q. The steepness control allows varying the default steepness over five steps (i.e. making the curve either shallower or steeper).

#### BAND FREQUENCY



This slider specifies the corner frequency (in case of shelf shapes) or center frequency of the filter band.

Band 1, 2 and 3 are specifically meant to control the low to mid frequencies, while band 4, 5 and 6 have been optimized for high frequency manipulation.

#### BAND GAIN



Controls the amount of gain applied to the band (left and right channels are equally affected).

Note that the "EQ Scale" control below allows for rescaling all band gain controls at once without affecting the gain ratio between each.

The stereo display offers direct access to stereo width and stereo balance of the given band (over the shape of the filter). The effect is independent from the main gain control and is generally not affected by any filter nonlinearity.

The upper text slider adjusts the **stereo width** of the band. This is technically equivalent to an EQ affecting the stereo difference signal only.

The lower text slider controls the **stereo balance** of the band. This is technically equivalent to a dual mono EQ having different gain values for left and right. Weighting follows equal power pan law. In addition, a specialized phase compensation network prevents cases having contradictory intensity-stereo vs time-stereo.

The stereo rectangle indicates the amount and type of stereo manipulation, double clicking it resets both width and balance controls to zero.

[i] You can affect the stereo sum ("mid") by reducing the width and applying the opposite change to the band gain.

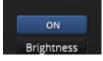
[i] Engineers familiar with Sum/Difference (i.e. "M/S") encoding trickery might have noticed that both filter frequency and steepness parameters are forced to remain equal for both channels. This is an intentional restriction that ensures excessive timing disparities between the sum and difference channels are avoided.

[i] SlickEQ's equalization capabilities are based on so called min-phase response filters, as known from analogue signal processing. A problem appears as soon one tries to accurately balance the stereo image by using different band gain values the Left (L) and right (R) channels.

Stereo perception is based both on interaural intensity differences (different gain between left and right) and interaural time differences (delay between left and right). A surprisingly little known fact is that all min-phase filters not only affect the gain and frequency, but inevitably also delay certain frequencies in the signal more than others. By EQing the left and right channels of a stereo signal independently, this delay can also generate contradictory stereo information, resulting in a blurred, unnatural stereo image. SlickEQ M prevents these issues with an elaborate phase compensation network that is automatically switched in as needed.



## META FILTER ON/OFF



Turns the meta-filter band on and off.

## META FILTER TYPE

The meta-filter offers three specialized curves:

#### • Brightness

Generates a linear "tilt" shape. This filter type allows direct control over the darkness or brightness of an audio signal, while maximally preserving ratios between the instruments of a mix.

Hardness

A special filter network providing direct control over the subjective softness or hardness of an audio signal. This effect is best discovered by listening.

## EL Curve (Equal Loudness Curve)

allows you to manipulate the spectrum as a function of sound pressure level.

[i] Equal loudness contour shapes are dependent on sound pressure levels. This quickly becomes obvious when comparing works that have been mixed at varying monitoring levels. Low monitoring levels typically produce stronger low and high frequency regions, while high monitoring levels tend to create more mid-frequency focused results. The EL Curve can compensate for these effects and greatly simplify the mastering, especially for material that has been produced in different places.

#### META FILTER AMOUNT



Adjusts the amount or extension of the selected meta filter curve. The exact meaning of this parameter depends on the selected meta filter shape:

- Brightness: dB per decade
- Hardness: No technical meaning

• EL Curve: One dB is roughly equivalent to the (spectral) effect a 2dB change in sound pressure level will produce.





# LEFT SIDE CONTROLS

## LOWCUT FILTER ON/OFF



Turns the lowcut filter on and off.

## LOWCUT FILTER SLOPE

The lowcut filter supports four different slopes, each featuring a subtle "bump":

LOW CUT	
18dB/oct	
10 Hz	

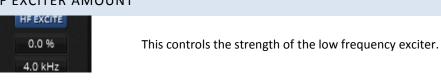
- 6dB/oct
- 12dB/oct
- 18dB/oct
- 24dB/oct

# LOWCUT FILTER FREQUENCY



This slider adjusts the lowcut filter's cutoff frequency (-3dB point).

LF EXCITER ON/OFF	
	Enables the low frequency exciter.
	SlickEQ M's exciters have been specifically designed to be used on stereo mixes. They can enrich and solidify the signal by lifting low level passages and introducing harmonic distortion.
HF EXCITE	The LF Exciter mostly produces symmetrical distortion (odd numbered harmonics), while keeping largely nonharmonic inter-modulation distortion at a greater distance than conventional exciters do.
	Alt + click turns both LF and HF exciters on and off.
	Note: Right-clicking this button opens a menu giving access to the legacy LF nonlin- earity control found in version 1.x.x and earlier. Sessions and presets created using the original LF EQ Nonlinearity will open using HF SAT legacy.
LF EXCITER AMOUNT	



## LF EXCITER FREQUENCY



This controls the corner frequency of the low frequency exciter. It can extend down to very low frequencies like a low shelf filter.

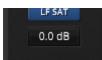
## LF EQ NONLINEARITY ON/OFF (LEGACY)



Enables filter nonlinearities for the low frequency band section (band 1, 2 and 3).

Alt + clicking the LF SAT button switches both LF and HF nonlinearities on and off

## LF EQ NONLINEARITY AMOUNT (LEGACY)



Controls the strength of the nonlinearity affecting the low frequency section's EQ filter operations.

Note: With band gains at zero, no saturation is added.

## EQ RANGE



Scales all EQ gain parameters while preserving the ratios between each. This parameter basically allows reducing or increasing the extension EQ curve. This operation affects both EQ band gains and meta filter amount.

Double click the label to switch to an EQ SCALE mode affecting the band gains only.

#### LF MONO ON/OFF



Switches the LF mono filter (low frequency monoizer) on and off.

[i] This special filter originates from the vinyl cutting process and is sometimes called an "Elliptical filter". It increasingly reduces the stereo width towards low frequencies.

This is not to be confused with the Elliptic filter, an alternative description of Cauer filters (which really don't have many uses in audio).

# LF MONO FREQUENCY



This slider adjusts the "LF Mono" filter's cutoff frequency. Content below this frequency gradually becomes mono (i.e. loses its stereo information).

## HIGHCUT FILTER ON/OFF



This button switches the highcut filter on and off.

## HIGHCUT FILTER SLOPE

The highcut filter supports four different slopes:

6dB/oct 50.0 kHz

- 6dB/oct
- 12dB/oct
- 18dB/oct
- 24dB/oct

[i] All highcut filters follow the Bessel specification to keep the phase distortion low over the passband).

#### HIGHCUT FILTER FREQUENCY

50.0 kHz

This slider allows adjusting the highcut filter's cutoff frequency (-3dB point).

In order to allow for subtle bandwidth control, the corner frequency can be specified up to 60kHz.

## HF EXCITER ON/OFF

Enables the high frequency exciter.

SlickEQ M's exciters have been specifically designed to be used on stereo mixes. They can enrich and solidify the signal by lifting low level passages and introducing harmonic distortion.

HF EXCITE

The LF Exciter produces a strong amount of asymmetric distortion (and thus, introduces both even and odd numbered harmonics), while keeping largely nonharmonic inter-modulation distortion and aliasing products at a greater distance than conventional exciters do.

Note: Right-clicking this button opens a menu giving access to the legacy HF nonlinearity control found in version 1.x.x and earlier. Sessions and presets created using the original HF EQ Nonlinearity will open using HF SAT legacy.

## HF EXCITER AMOUNT



This controls the strength of the high frequency exciter.

# HF EXCITER FREQUENCY



This controls the corner frequency of the high frequency exciter. It can extend up to very high frequencies like a high shelf filter.

## HF EQ NONLINEARITY ON/OFF (LEGACY)



Enables filter nonlinearities for the high frequency band section (band 4, 5 and 6).

Alt + clicking the HF SAT button switches both LF and HF nonlinearities on and off.

#### HF EQ NONLINEARITY AMOUNT (LEGACY)



Controls the strength of nonlinearity affecting the high frequency section's EQ filter operations.

Note: The total amount of added harmonics depends both on the nonlinearity amount parameter and the band gain extension. With band gains at zero, no harmonics are added.

#### OUTPUT GAIN



Controls the output gain of the equalizer.

#### **OUTPUT STEREO CONTROL**



ance of SlickEQ M's output.

The output stereo display offers direct control over stereo width and stereo bal-

The upper text slider controls the **stereo width** of the output. This is technically equivalent to an amplification of the stereo difference signal.

The lower text slider controls **stereo balance** of the output. This is technically equivalent to having different gain values for left and right. Weighting follows equal power pan law.

The stereo rectangle indicates the amount and type of stereo manipulation, double clicking it resets both width and balance controls to zero.

## TOOLBAR

## UNDO/REDO



Use the undo/redo buttons to navigate to previous control states. The exact event is shown in a tool-tip. Note that certain controls are not tracked by this function (e.g. "Bypass").

## PRESET MANAGEMENT



The preset dropdown list offers quick access to factory settings and user presets. Alternatively, the up/down buttons allow you to cycle through the presets. Note that some presets represent "flat" starting points, while others prefixed "FX:" demonstrate certain features and techniques.

Advanced preset management options can be accessed from the preset bar's context menu (right-click):

Reset to Original state re-sets the preset to its original state.

**Save As New Global User preset** opens a dialog used to create User Presets. These presets persist across sessions and DAWs (presets are saved on your machine). The total amount of user presets is limited to ten.

**Save As Default State** replaces the plugins' default preset with the current parameter state.

**Revert Default State To Factory Setting** deletes an overwritten default state.

See section "Context Menu" below for details about the Copy/Paste/Share State options.

#### A/B CONTROL

Share State...



A/B allows comparing between two alternative control settings. A>B or B<A copies one state to the other.



## SMART OPERATIONS

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Press	READY TO LEARN "Learn" to analyze incoming audio									
INPUT	LEARN									
REFERENCE	None	B -9	20	50 100	200	500 1	k 2k	5k	10k 20k	
	None		ON Normal 80 Hz	ON A Normal 120 Hz	ON A Normal 600 Hz	SlickEC MASTERING EDITIO		ON A Normal 4.0 kHz	ON A J Normal 6.0 kHz	N HIGH CUT 18dB/oct 40,0 kHz
			GAIN 1	GAIN 2	GAIN 3	ON Brightness	GAIN 4	GAIN 5	GAIN 6	
	CANCEL	100 %	0.0 dB	0.0 dB	0.0 dB		0.0 dB	0.0 dB	0.0 dB	0.0 dB

Smart Operations analyze the audio input's spectral properties and allow running Operations in dependence of this information. The system internally searches for the optimal plugin parameter settings for the case at hand, and sets the plugin parameters accordingly.

Operations cover a wide array of applications: Spectral matching against primitive or external references, detection and removal of static resonances, filter configuration tasks and more. Operations can be fine-tuned toward a specific **FREQUENCY RANGE** and total **AMOUNT** (both negative to positive).

#### Workflow

#### 1. INPUT

LEARN button starts/stops analyzing a certain section of plugin audio input.

#### 2. **REFERENCE** (optional)

Loads an internal or external reference, as required by certain operations (e.g. Spectral Match).

#### 3. OPERATION

Specifies the operation type. *Note: Without active REFERENCE, some options will be inactive. Load a REFERENCE to activate them.* 

#### 4. APPLY/CANCEL

Applies the current operation and closes the SmartOps view, or cancels the current operation, reverts to the previous plugin state and closes the SmartOps view.

#### 5. FINE TUNE

The final step intentionally involves manual fine tuning of the generated parameter settings.

Smart Operations is a flexible tool that allows generating complex signal-aware presets for SlickEQ M. It has been designed to act like a human assistant: Taking care of tedious repetitive work, until handed over to the engineer for final verification and fine-tuning. An assistant isn't always perfect, he usually needs supervision.

Following this analogy, Smart Ops are not meant to replace the engineer's creativity. In the best case, they will save time, and certainly inspire!

#### INTERFACE



Smart Operations can be launched by clicking the **SMART OPS** button found in the plugin tollbar.

The plugin window expands, and the SmartOps panel appears. SlickEQ M's regular UI darkens, and can no more be controlled directly. Any Click on the darkened section will **CANCEL** the current operation and close the SmartOps panel. This is true with exception of the **QUALITY** and **CHANNEL** dropdowns and the main **BYPASS** button.



#### INPUT LEARN

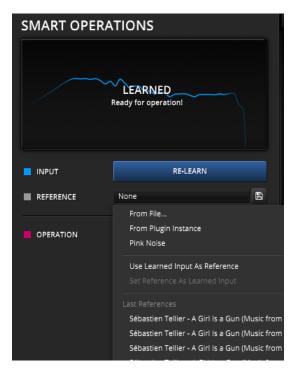


In your audio application, start playback. Press LEARN for Smart Operations to analyze the audio input, and hit STOP anytime you consider adequate.

Note: By default LEARN triggers the learn phase for all SlickEQ M instances in the session. This is particularly important for "REFER-ENCE by instance" relations. Hold the "alt" or "Apple" when clicking to trigger LEARN only for the currently operated instance.

#### REFERENCE

The **REFERENCE** menu and right beside it, the **SAVE REFERENCE** menu, allow loading, generating and saving external references. All matching oriented OPERATIONs depend on an active reference, as they directly compare the INPUT to the REFERENCE.



#### From File...

Loads an external reference from file. Supported are SlickEQ M's own \*.slickeqmref files as well as standard audio files (WAV, AIF, FLAC). Audio files are analyzed on the fly.

#### From Plugin Instance >

References another active SlickEQ M instance's learned data.

#### **Pink Noise**

Pink noise spectrum, falling 3dB per octave.

#### **Use Learned Input As Reference**

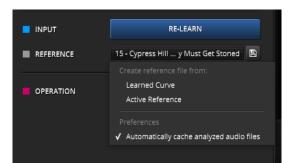
Copies the current LEARN data to REFERENCE.

#### Set Reference As Learned Input

Copies the **REFERENCE** data to **LEARN**.

#### Last References

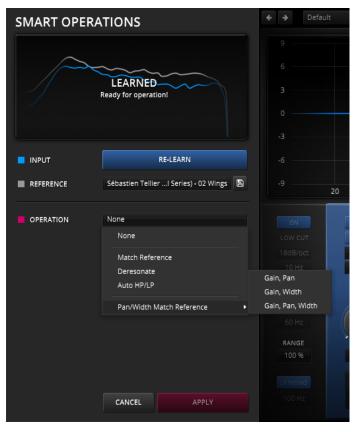
Last saved or imported references.



The small SAVE REFERENCE button allows to export the active LEARN or REFERENCE data to file. The export file format is SlickEQ M's custom reference format (\*.slickeqmref).

This menu also allows to enabled automatic caching for analyzed audio files. The cache is represented by a \*.slickeqmref file being placed aside the original audio file, and greatly speeds up analyzing previously used audio files as reference.

#### OPERATION



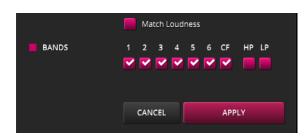
The Operation menu offers access to following operations:

Match matches the INPUT's spectrum to the REFERENCE spectrum, approximately. *Note: Matching requires an active REFER-ENCE.* 

**Deresonate** finds and reduces static resonances in the signal. Resonances are defined as both static, narrow and high level spectral patterns. *Note: This stands in contrast to harmonics, which move in dependence of the signal.* 

**Auto HP/LP** automatically sets the HP and LP filters frequencies in accordance to the signal's own bandwidth.

**Pan/Width** Match matches the input stereo width and/or balance to the input reference. *Note: Matching requires an active REFER-ENCE.* 



Further fine-tuning options appear, whenever they make sense:

The **FROM** knob controls the lower corner frequency of the bandwidth to be affected.

The **TO** knob controls the upper corner frequency of the operation's bandwidth.

RANGE scales the extent of the operation, both positive and negative value are possible.

The **Match Loudness** checkbox matches loudness between two the reference (only offered in Match, when Pink Noise not selected).

BANDS





The **BANDS** section allows restricting the operation to specific bands and filters.

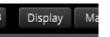
# CANCEL/APPLY



**CANCEL** undoes any operation and closes the panel. **APPLY** closes the Smart Operation panel (and maintains the state set by the last Operation).

**Important:** Make sure to always APPLY or CANCEL the SmartOps panel before closing the project. SmartOps do not persist across sessions, only their results do.

## **DISPLAY ON/OFF**



Opens/closes the equalizer's frequency magnitude display. Depending on your preferences, EQing "blind" (display closed) can lead to better results.

## FLAT



Flattens the current EQ setting. Only gain parameters are affected during this operation, band filter frequency and steepness for example remain untouched.

Holding alt while clicking FLAT will reset all stereo manipulation to unity.

#### PROCESSING QUALITY AND MIXED PHASE MODES



SlickEQ M offers four different **Quality** modes. These primarily affect antialiasing:

- Eco: An economic CPU efficient mode with restricted functionality and parameter range.
- Live: A zero latency mode with slightly compromised processing quality.
- Precise: The default high fidelity processing mode.
- Insane: A very high quality processing mode which also increases CPU load.

The **Mixed Phase** options enable greater phase linearity for the width and balance filters, which in turn increase their precision. This option introduces additional latency and CPU load. When active, a small asterisk "\*" appears.

#### **PROCESS-TARGET**

S	tereo	
	Mono	
√	Stereo	
	SumDiff	
	Sum	
	Diff	
	Left	
	Right	

The audio input can be processed in various channel modes:

- **Mono** sums any input into mono. This is independent of the plugin host's channel configuration.
- Stereo enables conventional LR processing.
- **SumDiff** offers a traditional M/S behavior, where GAIN controls the sum channel and WIDTH controls the difference channel.
- Sum and Diff represents either "Mid" or "Side" processing accordingly. This processing is exclusive in the sense that only the selected target is processed, while the other is left untouched.

Left and Right allow the left or right channels to be processed exclusively.

## BYPASS



Bypasses the whole processor. Processor latency is accurately compensated and the actual processing is never interrupted (gapless) to allow for better comparisons.

EQ	GAIN
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This buttons turns the automatic EQ loudness compensation on and off. Activating this mode will prevent the operator's decisions from being distracted by the "louder is better" phenomenon.

## HELP MODE

EQ GAIN



This buttons turns on inline help tooltips. Click the help button again to turn them off.

## SETTINGS

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The settings button opens a dialog which gives control over additional plugin options.

SETTINGS		×
Sliders	Continuous Drag	
Graphics		
Processing	Velocity • Linear	
Registration	Drag Sensitivity	
Local Data	200%	
Updates	20070	
Help	Mouse Configuration	
About	Invert Left/Right Buttons	
	Continuous Stepped	
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Slider allows for changing the behavior of knobs and control points in response to the mouse. Under **Continu**ous Drag, knob and controller movement relies on mouse speed when **Velocity** is enabled. When **Linear** is enabled, knob and controller movement is proportional to mouse movement. **Drag Sensitivity** sets the linear sensitivity of the knob and controller movement further.

Plug-in controls, knobs, and control points can be adjusted using Left-click & drag (Continuous) and Right-click & drag (Stepped) by default. **Mouse Configuration** swaps the **Continuous** and **Stepped** behaviors between the left and right mouse buttons when selecting **Invert Left/Right Buttons**. *Note that the default stepped values can be customized via the product configuration file. See "Local data" below for instructions on how to access this file.* 

Graphics allows for changing the interface size to a fixed percentage value between 100%, 125% and 150%.

**Processing** shows the plug-in latency and sample rate details. **Highest quality rendering** enables the option to always render at the highest Processing Quality, no matter what type is enabled in the Toolbar. *See the "Processing Quality" subchapter for more details on these modes.* 

**Registration** offers access to offline and online product registration options. *See the "Product Registration" chapter for more information.* 

**Local Data** allows for exporting and importing user preferences, presets, and keys, to and from other systems. Local data can also be deleted for *all* Tokyo Dawn Labs plug-ins using the Trash Can button. In addition, the Folder button opens the Tokyo Dawn Labs local data folder containing all configuration files and keys. *Note that these operations affect all TDR plug-ins, and not just TDR Limiter 6 GE*.

Updates allows to Check for updates and to Download latest version. Automatic Lookups can be enabled to Check for updates (once per day).

Help contains Documentation and Support links.

About shows the version number, build date, format, credits, and other information.

## STANDARD CONTEXT MENU



Additional options can be accessed using the standard context menu. This can be opened buy right-clicking on a blank area anywhere in the UI. A click outside of the menu closes it.

**User Interface Scale** sets the on-screen interface size to a fixed percentage value of 100%, 125%, or 150%.

**Instance** allows for renaming the specific plug-in instance.

**Copy State (Ctrl+C)** and **Paste State (Ctrl+V)** allows copying control states (i.e. "presets") across plugin instances and plugin hosts. **Share State** opens a dialog with additional preset sharing options via e-mail or internet forums.

## **KEY STROKES / SLIDER HANDLING**

Кеу	Action
Alt + left mouse click or Doubleclick	Reset to default
Strg + slider drag Or right mouse slider drag	Stepped slider control (according to the snap point defined in the plugin configuration file)
Alt + LF	Turns both LF ${\it I}{\it I}$ and HF ${\it I}{\it I}$ on and off.
Strg + C	Copy plugin state
Strg + V	Paste plugin state

## INSTALLATION

First of all, make sure to download both the key file and the plugin binary. All files can be downloaded from your customer area.

#### Windows installation:

1. Run the provided installer and follow the instructions.

#### Mac OS installation:

- 1. Open the dmg archive (double-click).
- 2. Double-click "Install TDR SlickEQ GE" to install the VST, AU and AAX plugins on your system.
- 3. Follow the instructions.

# **RESTRICTIONS OF THE DEMO EDITION**

The demo edition of SlickEQ M comes with a feature called "True Analogue Experience". It essentially offers everything the full edition does, except for loading states and user presets. That is, processing audio and audio rendering will work without restriction (maybe not in all plugin hosts, though). But with the main restriction being that the operator will have to recall settings manually when re-opening sessions.

## **PRODUCT REGISTRATION**

Registering your product is easy. After installation, open your favorite audio plugin host and run the plugin.

Track Audio 1 a TDR Nova GE O-n Bus 1	Preset ≪factory default> - + ⊡ COMPARE		BYPASS Native					
Please register your cop	y of TDR SlickEQ M! C	lick here for (	details.					×
ON LOW CUT 18dB/oct 10 Hz	Normal No	ON A ormal 20 Hz	ON A Normal 600 Hz	SlickEQ MASTERING EDITION	ON Normal 1200 Hz	ON Normal 4.0 kHz	ON Normal 6.0 kHz	ON HIGH CUT 18dB/oct 40.0 kHz

Click the banner or click the settings button to access the registration dialog.

SETTINGS		×
Sliders	Product Registration	
Graphics	Registering your product is easy. You can either import a previously downloaded key file, or simply enter your username and password to install the key via web request.	
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Local Data	Offline Registration	
Updates	<ol> <li>Download the product key from your customer profile</li> <li>Press the 'Import key file' button and select your key</li> <li>The originally downloaded key file can then be deleted.</li> </ol>	
Help		
About	Import key file	
	Online Registration 1) Enter your username and password 2) Press the 'Register' to automatically download and import the product key.	
	Username	Password
	Register	

SlickEQ M offers both offline and online registration processes. Either click **Import key** and select the key file you've downloaded before, or simply enter you Tokyo Dawn Labs account credentials and press "Register".

## **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Available binaries: Input / Output resolution: Internal resolution: Supported sample rates: Supported channel configuration: VST2, VST3, AU and AAX, 32bit and 64bit 32bit floating point, 64bit if supported by host 64bit floating point From 44.1 kHz to 192 kHz Mono, Stereo

# **GET IN TOUCH!**

We want to hear your opinion! Reach us via one of the websites below:

Check out the Tokyo Dawn Labs website for feedback, news, updates and downloads: http://www.tokyodawn.net/tokyo-dawn-labs/

You can also directly head to the TDR SlickEQ M page: <a href="http://www.tokyodawn.net/tdr-slickeq-m/">http://www.tokyodawn.net/tdr-slickeq-m/</a>

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