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The 5 Most Common Project-studio Recording Mistakes

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Snare Mic Choices



Absorption & Reflection For Tonal Change





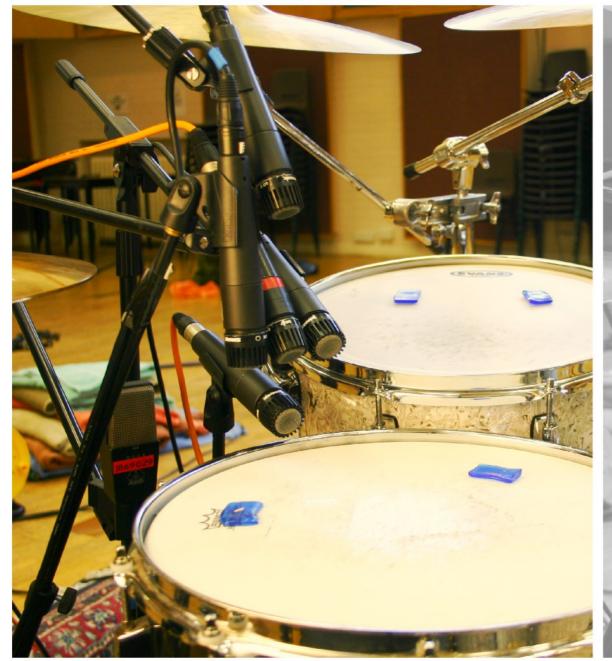
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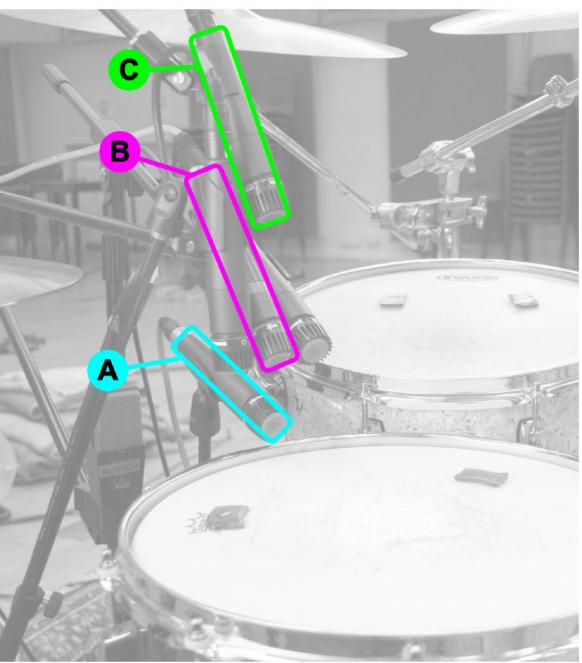
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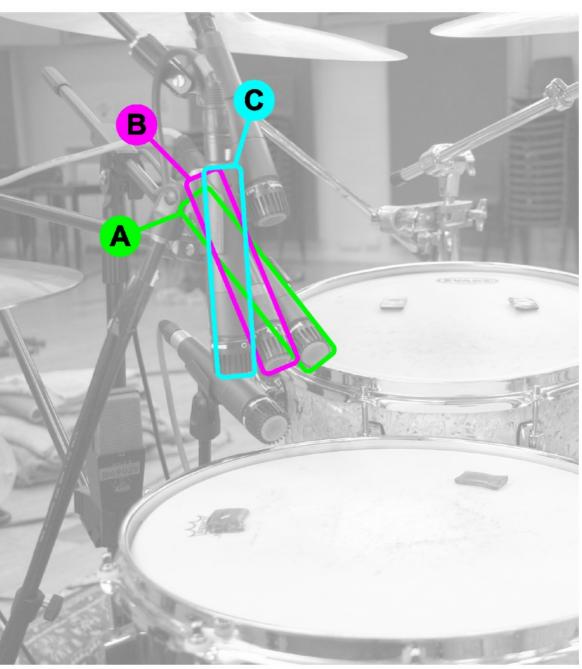


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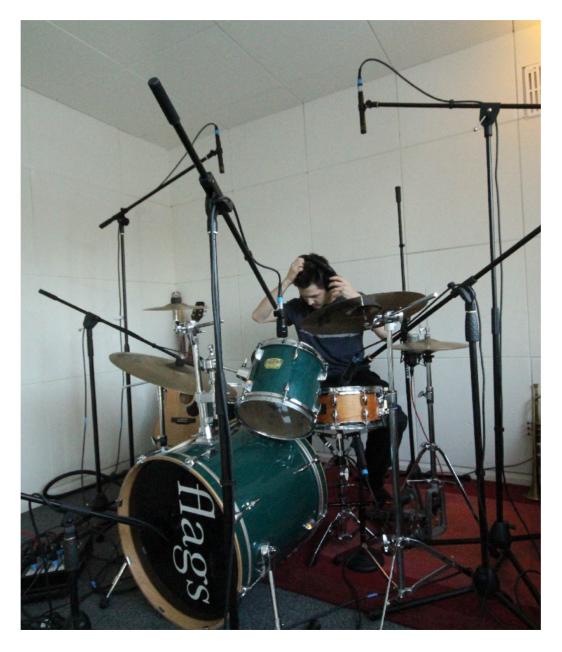




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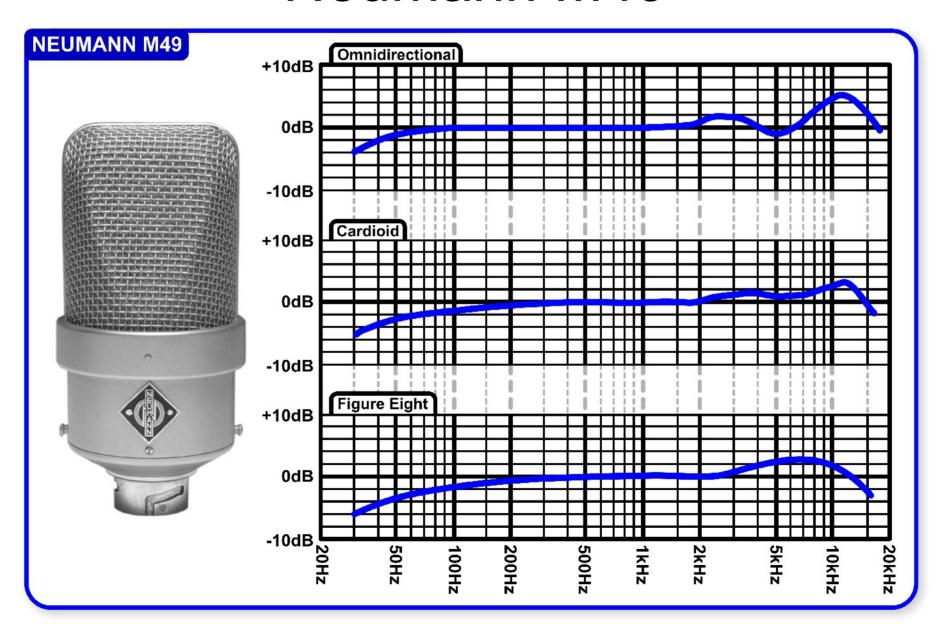
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Figure-eight Mics: Using The Rejection Null



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Polar Patterns & Frequency Response: Neumann M49



One-room Band Recording: Case Study #1



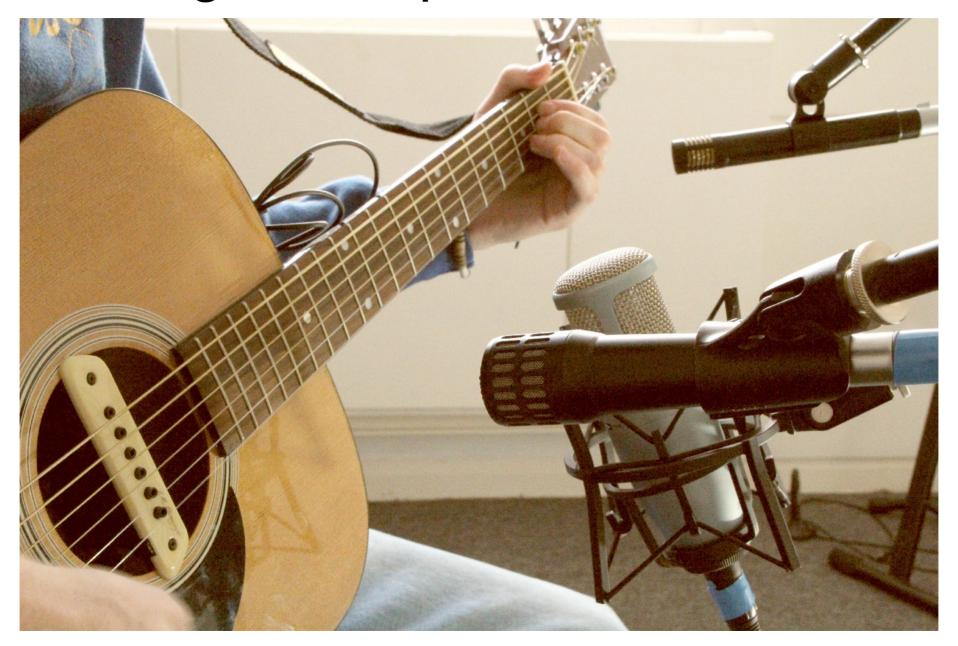
One-room Band Recording: Case Study #2



One-room Band Recording: Case Study #3



Fence-sitting Masterpiece: Multi-miked Guitar



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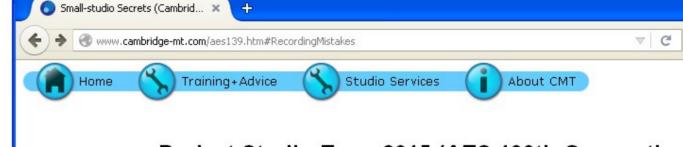
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