

14bitMIDI
creative controllers

INSTALLATION GUIDE

WATSON VST

(Windows)

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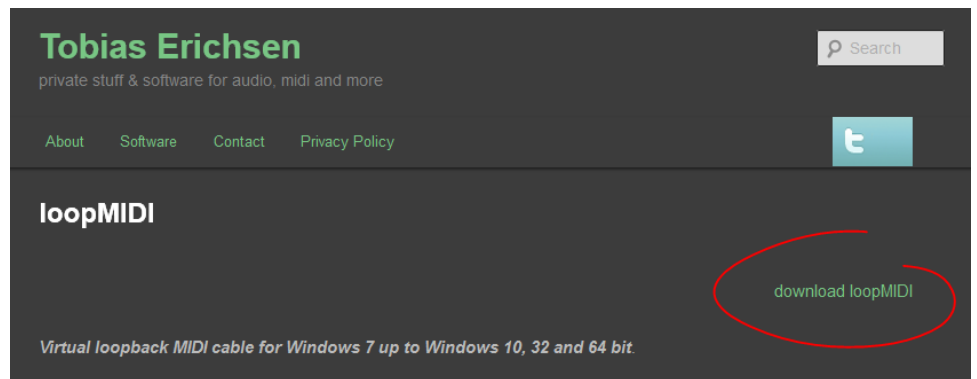
Close your DAW if opened.

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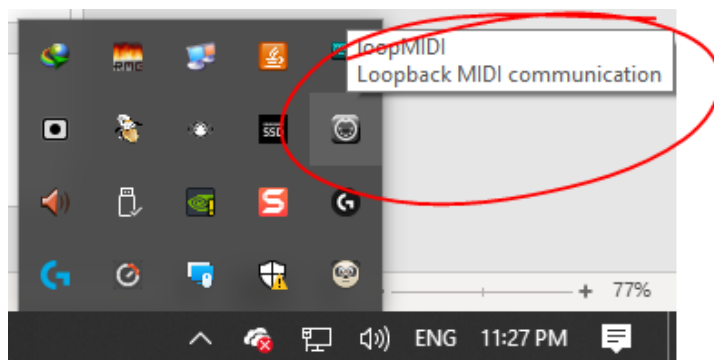
Installing
loopMIDI

Use loopMIDI (free) to create 2 new virtual MIDI ports and name them "WATSON-IN" and " WATSON -OUT" (without quotes)

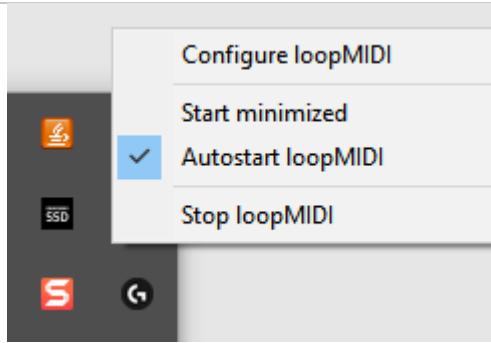
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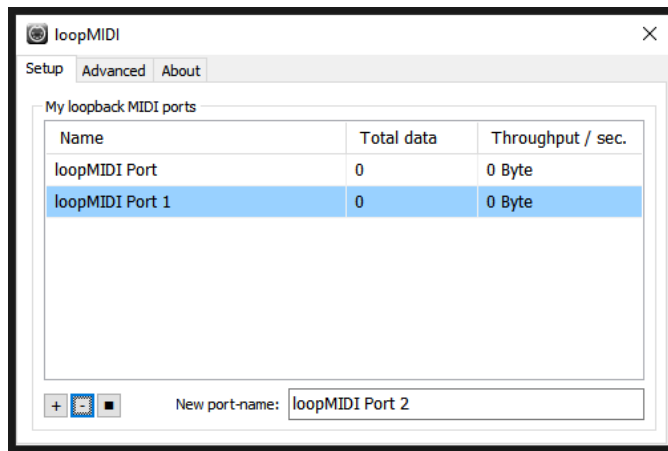
Once you have installed loopMIDI on your computer look for the loopMIDI icon in the system tray.



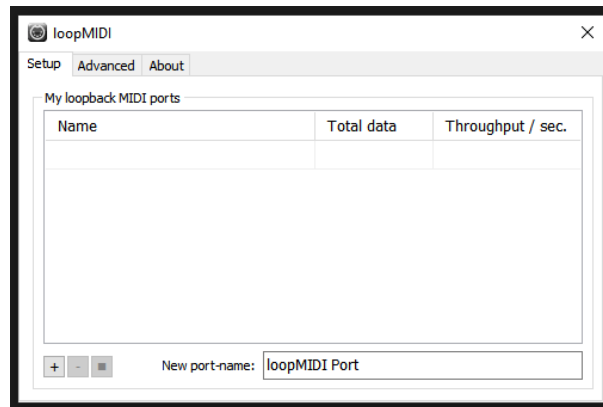
Right-click on the icon to see available options.



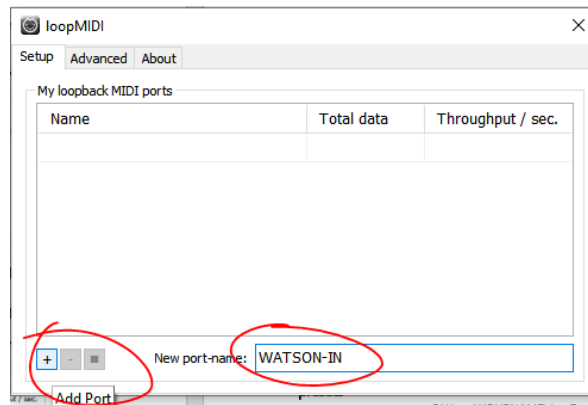
Select "Autostart loopMIDI" and "Configure loopMIDI"



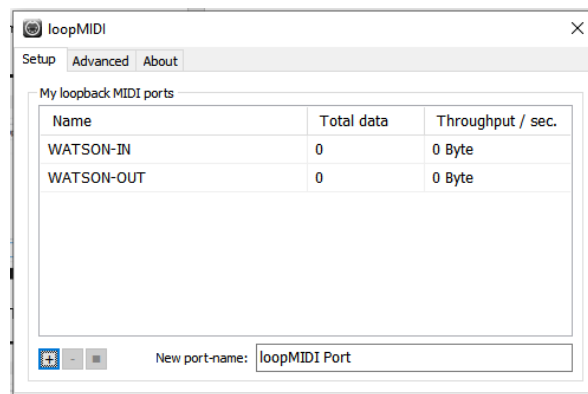
You can highlight default ports and delete them using the "-" button.



Now we can create 2 new midi ports by typing the name and pressing the "+" button.



WATSON-IN and WATSON-OUT



3.
adding the
VST file

Copy/paste the *WATSON.dll* file to your 64bit VST plugins folders:

C:\Program Files\Steinberg\YOURVSTFOLDER\WATSON.dll

*(can be found in the unzipped folder:
"01. copyTo YOUR VST PLUGIN FOLDER")*

4.
adding the
Default.vstpreset

Go to: C:\Users\YOURNAME\Documents\VST3 Presets

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- create a folder "14bitMIDI" and
 - create another folder inside the "14bitMIDI" folder - "WATSON"

Copy/paste the "Default.vstpreset" file to the "WATSON" folder

(can be found in the unzipped folder:

"02. copyTo C Users YOURNAME Documents VST3 Presets 14bitMIDI WATSON")

Now the Default.vstpreset file path should look like this:

C:\Users\YOURNAME\Documents\VST3 Presets\14bitMIDI\WATSON\Default.vstpreset

5.
adding
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presets

Copy/paste the Logical Edit and Project Logical Editor XML files to the right place:

C:\Users\YOURNAME\AppData\Roaming\Steinberg\YOUR_DAW\Presets\Logical Edit
C:\Users\YOURNAME\AppData\Roaming\Steinberg\YOUR_DAW\Presets\Project Logical Editor

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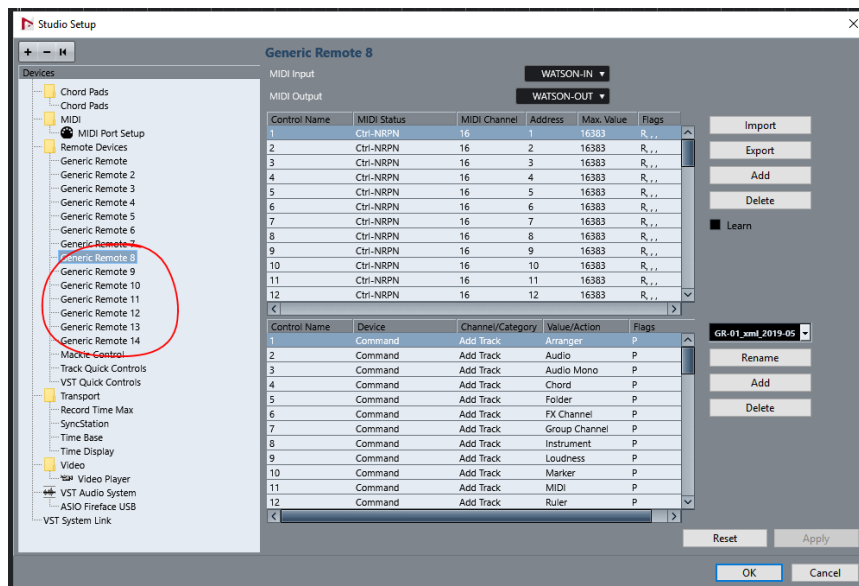
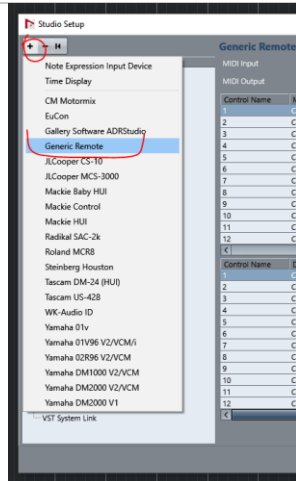
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Open you DAW.

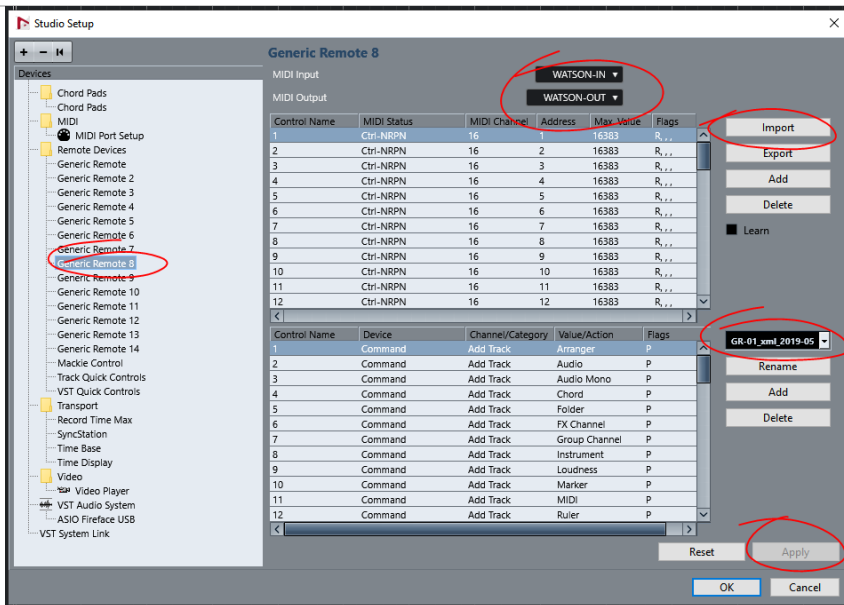
7.
setting up
Generic
Remotes

Go to Studio > Studio Setup or Devices > Device Setup and using the "+" button create 8 new Generic Remotes

If you already have some GRs there (from SHERLOCK or others) the new ones will get the next available number.

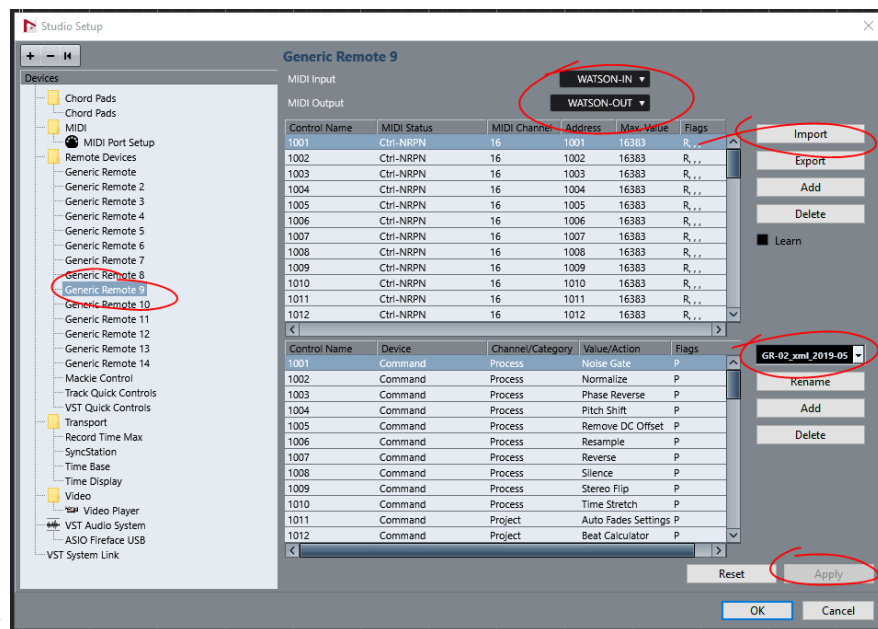


Select the first GR in the column on the left, use the INSERT button to point to your 1st GR XML (*GR-01_xml_2020-01.xml*), assign the MIDI In and Out to WATSON-IN and WATSON-OUT, Apply. You should see the new xml's name.

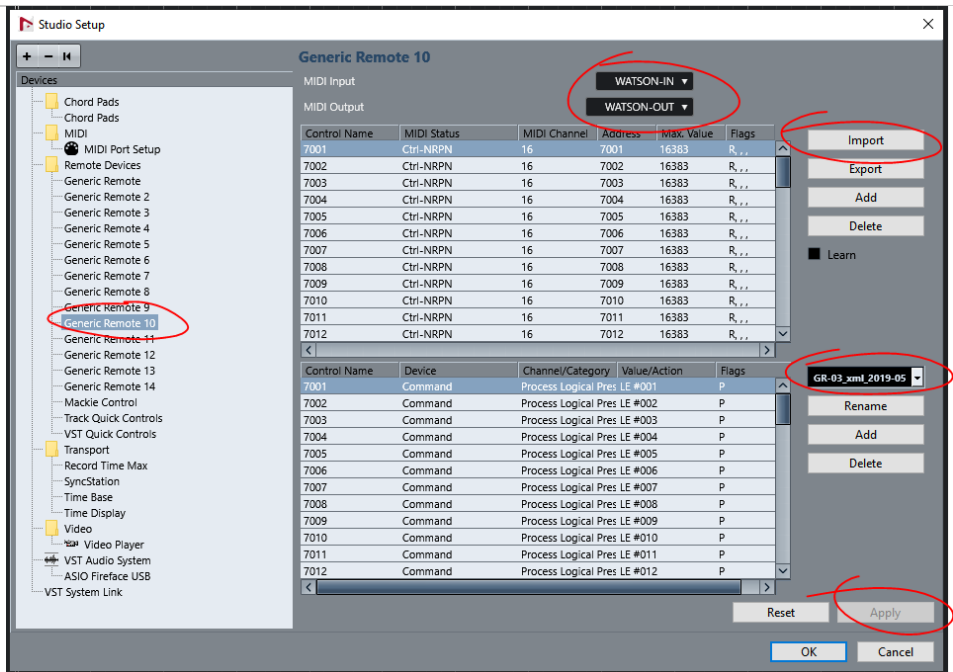


GR1:

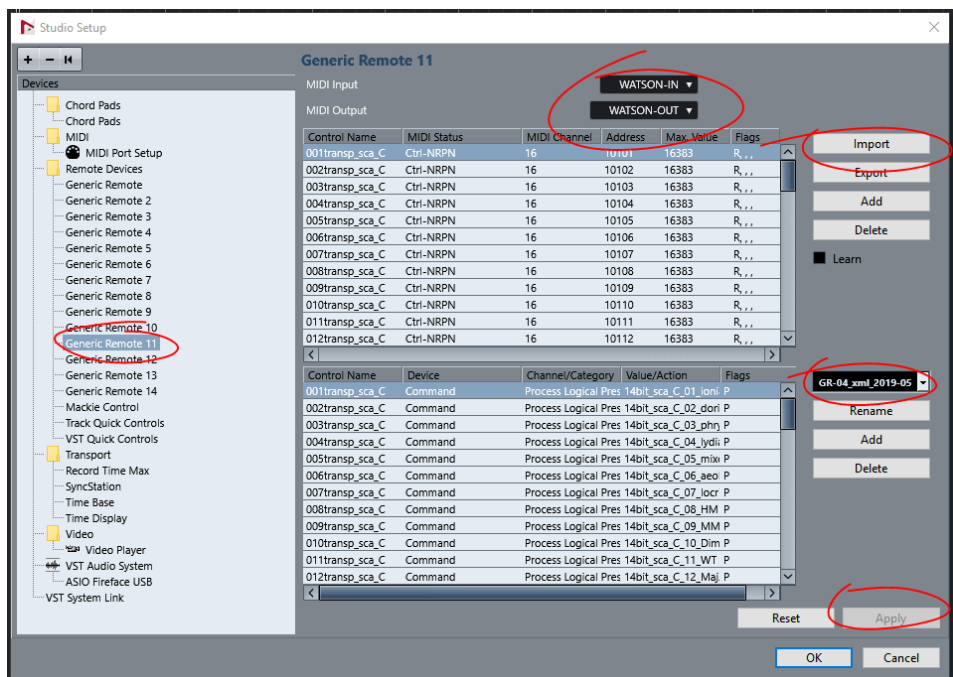
Repeat for 7 remaining Generic Remotes so all the 8 XML files are connected with the corresponding Generic Remotes



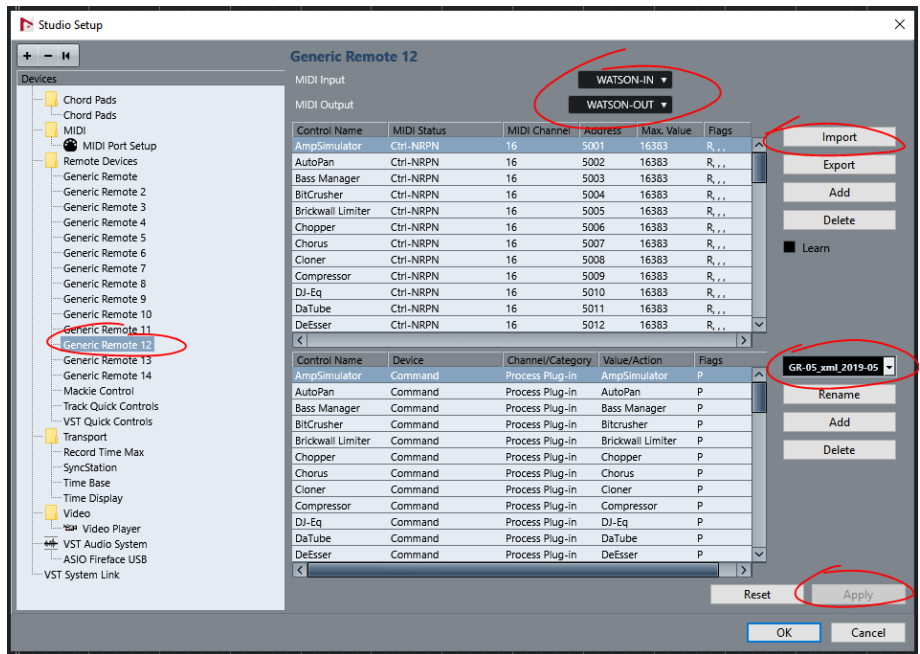
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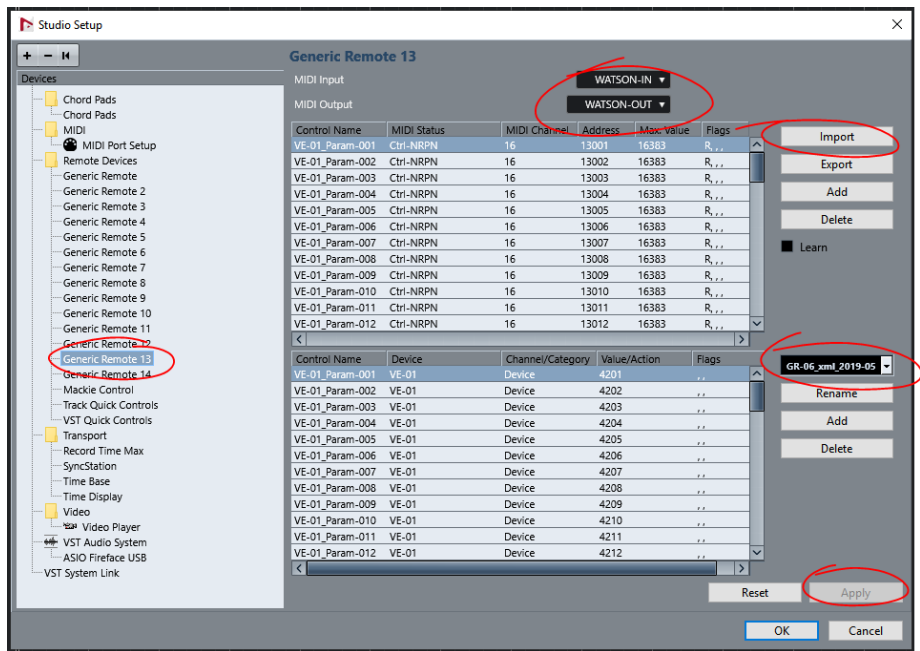
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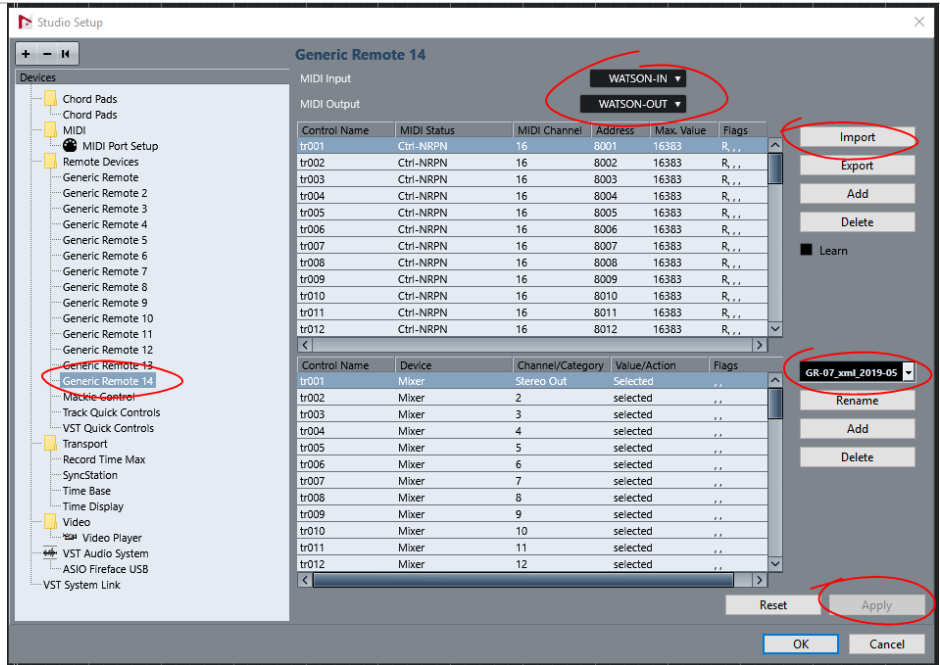
GR4:



GR5:



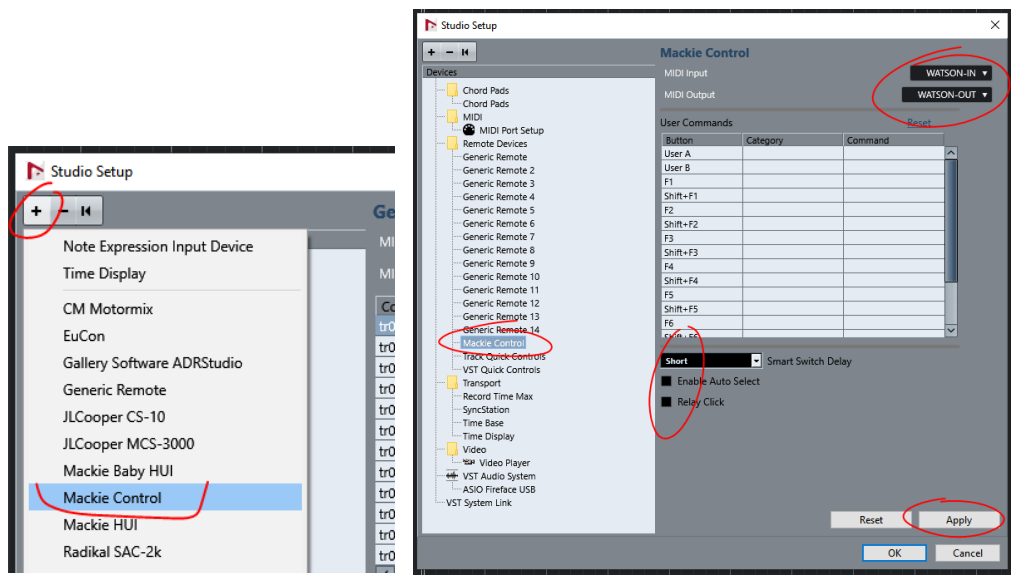
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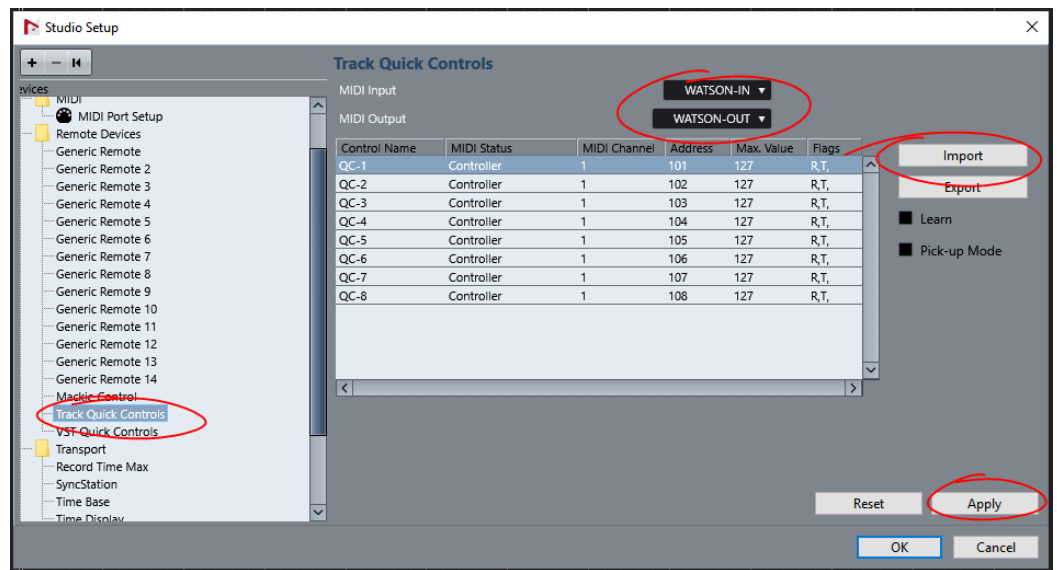
GR7:

(the mxl files can be found in the unzipped folder:
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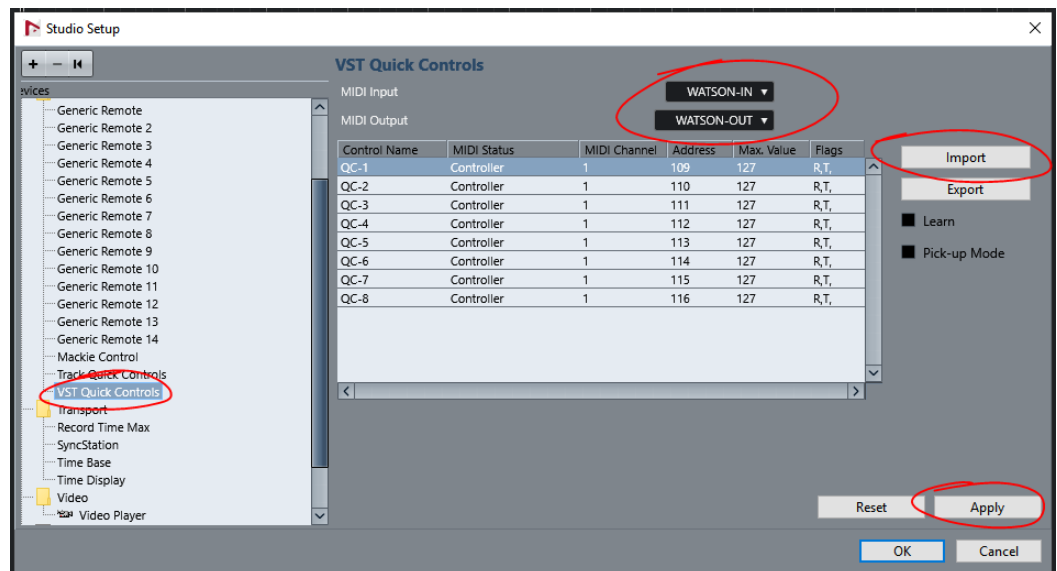
Create a "Mackie Control" GR and use the
 SHERLOCK-IN and SHERLOCK-OUT for the MIDI In and MIDI Out



Select the "Track Quick Controls" and using the IMPORT button point to the TRACK QC.xml file, connect the MIDI In and Out and Apply.

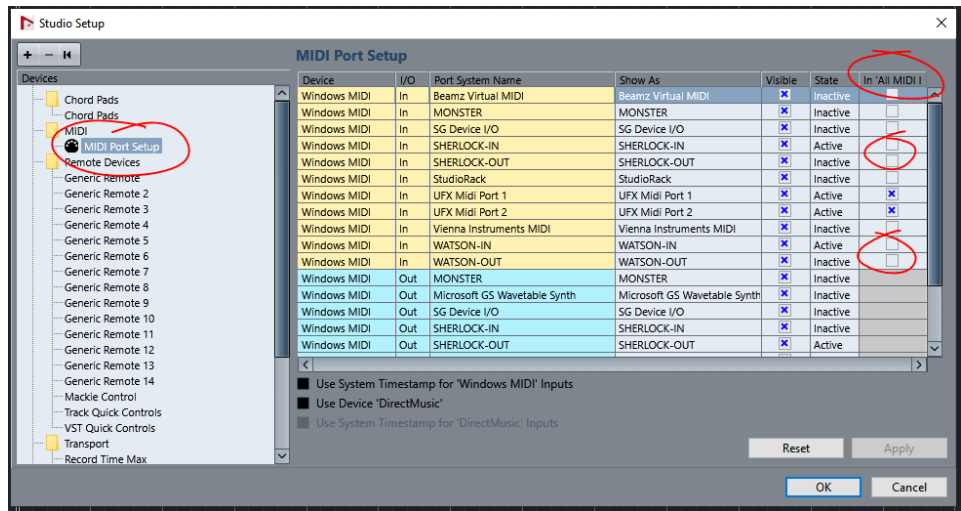


For "VST Quick Controls" point to the "VST QC.xml", assign Midi In and Out and Apply.

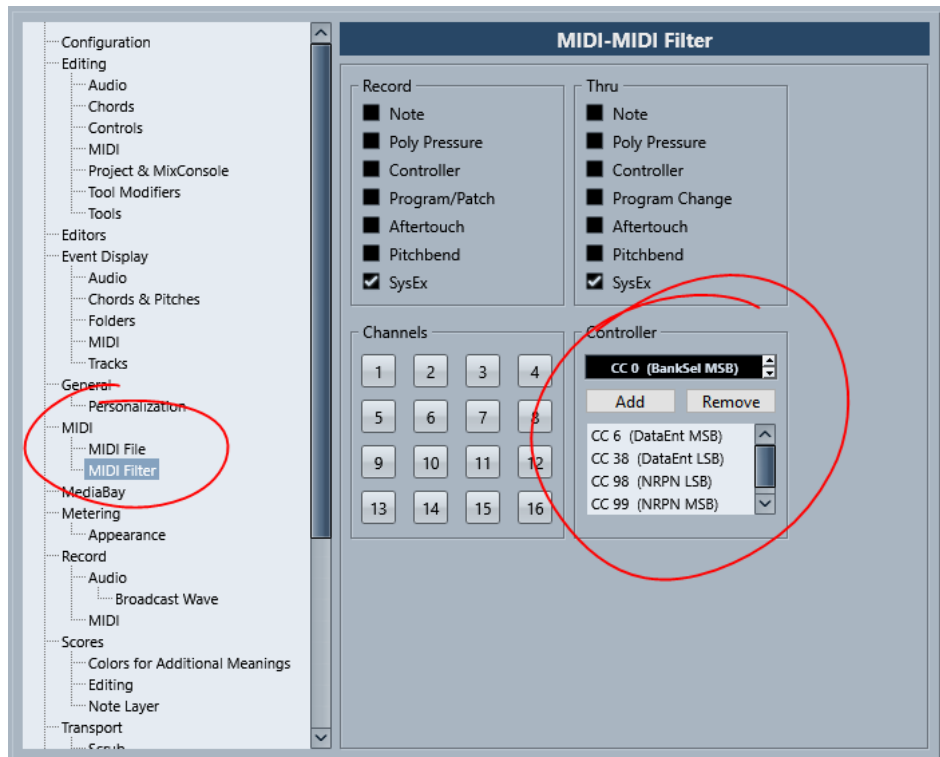


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Make sure your virtual MIDI ports are deselected in the "ALL MIDI In" column:



Go to Preferences and from the "MIDI" >> "MIDI Filter" section add Controllers number 6, 38, 98 and 99 to the list of filtered controllers. This will prevent the DAW from recording above controller data sent by WATSON as automation.



8.
loading the
VST plugin

Now you can "Add Instrument Track" and search for "WATSON".
Once opened, you should see a blank WATSON GUI either with your license name on it or displaying "WATSON IN DEMO MODE".
If this is the case – CONGRATULATIONS – the installation process is done!

----- WARNING -----
In a situation when the "*Default.vstpreset*" is missing,
the plugin will throw an error during the initial launch!



This is normal.
Stay calm and don't call for the SWAT Team yet!
Just click OK and go to the plugins
Preset Manager > "Save as Default" and OK again.
This way new "Default.vstpreset" preset will be created.
Remove the track and re-open/re-import the VST Instrument again.
Now the plugin should open to the default state without any errors.

You can go to the Manual and start learning how to use WATSON!!!