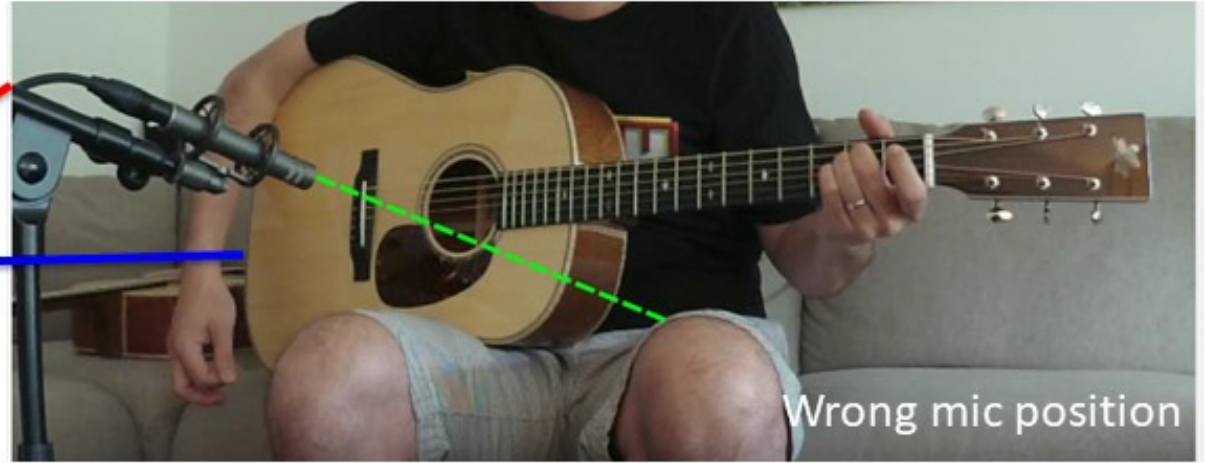


STEP 1: Get ready!
Plug the mic & guitar as
shown



MIC

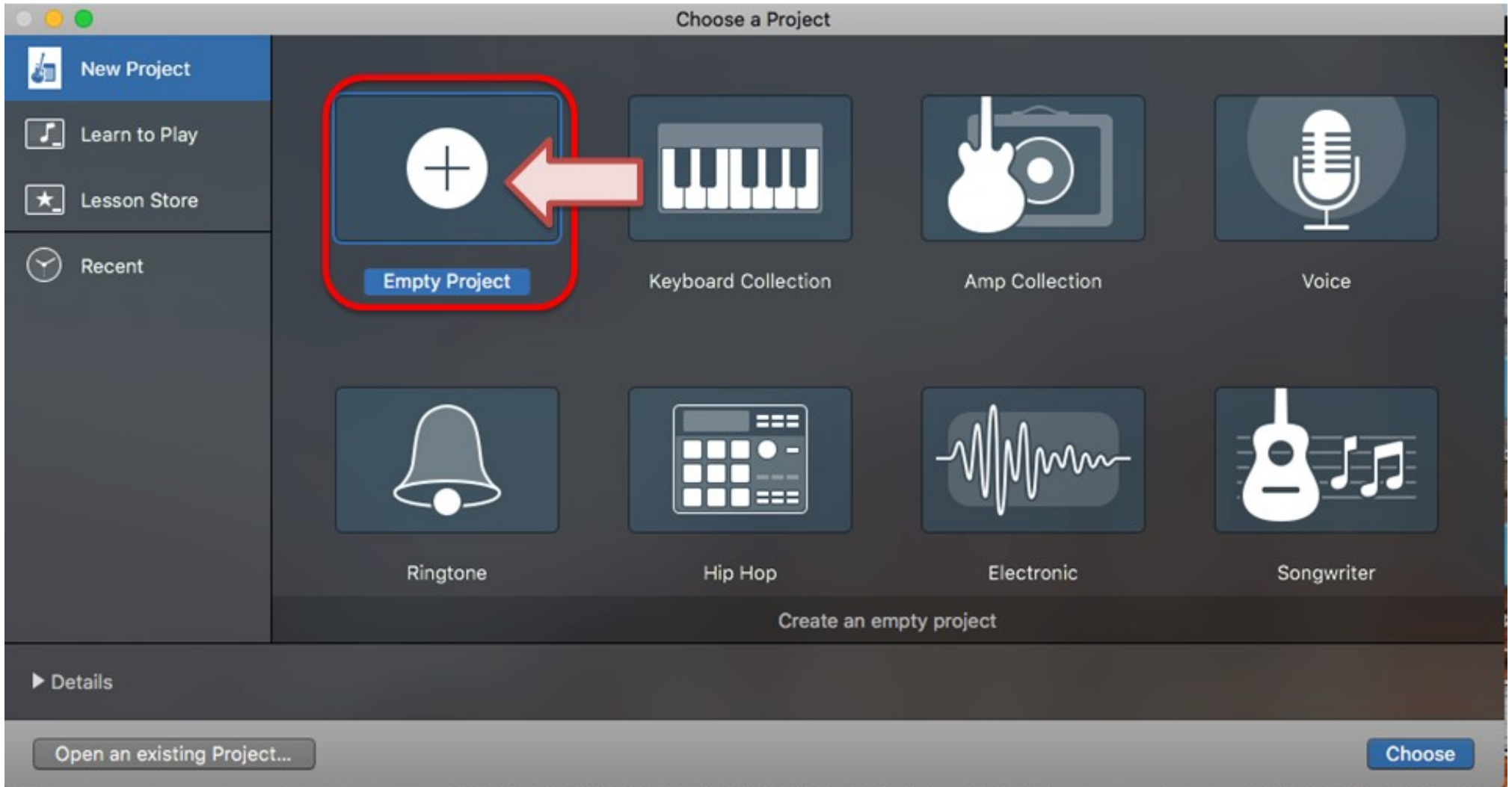
K&K



Must be in INST
position

PADs should be off
+48V should be ON if the mic requires
Phantom power

STEP 2: Open Garage Band
Click on « Empty Project »



STEP 3: Click on
« Recording using a Mic »

Choose a track type

Software Instrument



Plug in a USB MIDI keyboard to play and record using wide variety of instruments like piano, organ, and synths.

▼ Details:

Input:

Input 1

My instrument is connected with: Scarlett 2i2 USB >

Audio



Record using a microphone or line input — or drag and drop audio files.



Connect a guitar or bass to your Mac to play and record through virtual amps and pedal effects.

Drummer



Add a drummer that automatically plays along with your song.

I want to hear my instrument as I play and record

I hear sound from: Scarlett 2i2 USB >

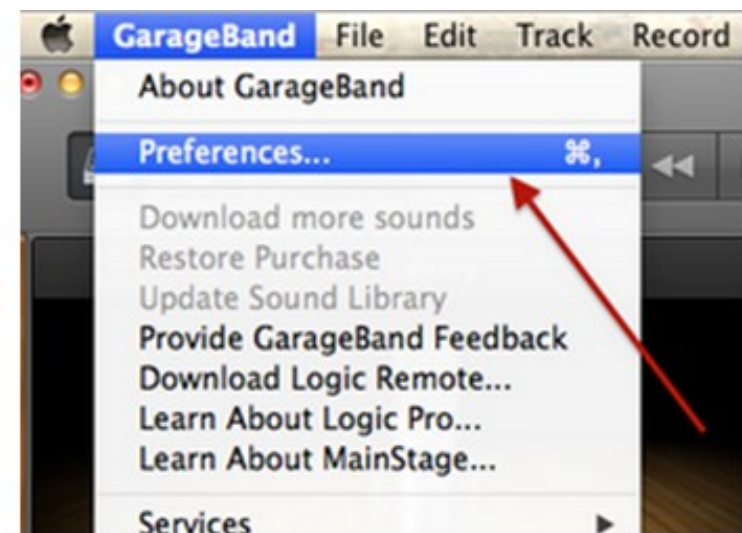


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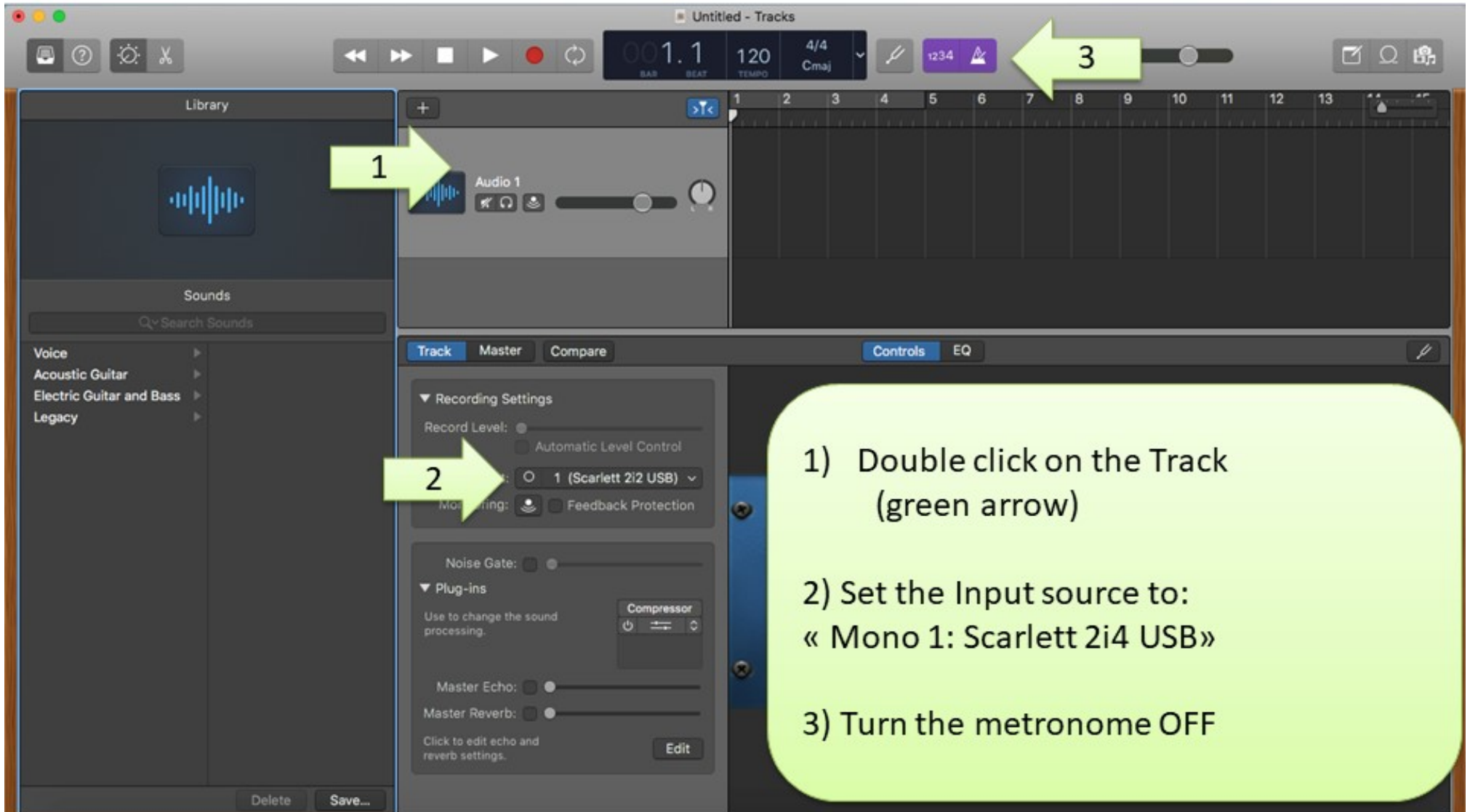
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STEP 4: Setup the Audio interface

- 1) Clic on GarageBand > preferences (see red arrow)
- 1) Clic on Audio/Midi tab (red square)
- 2) Choose for Input and Output interface
« Scarlett 2i4 » (2 red arrows)



STEP 5: Setup the 1st Track



The screenshot shows the Ableton Live software interface. The top bar displays the tempo at 120 BPM and the time signature as 4/4. A metronome icon is visible in the top right, with a green arrow labeled '3' pointing to it, indicating it should be turned off. The main track area shows a track named 'Audio 1' with a green arrow labeled '1' pointing to it, indicating it should be double-clicked. The 'Recording Settings' panel is open, showing the input source set to '1 (Scarlett 2i2 USB)', with a green arrow labeled '2' pointing to it. The 'Controls' panel is also visible, showing various settings for the track.

- 1) Double click on the Track (green arrow)
- 2) Set the Input source to: « Mono 1: Scarlett 2i4 USB »
- 3) Turn the metronome OFF

STEP 5B: Setup the 1st Track

- 1) Double click on the Track Name and rename to « Mic »
- 2) Set all the plugins « off » (Compressor & Channel EQ)
- 3) Set Echo & Reverb « off »

The screenshot displays the Ableton Live software interface. On the left, the Library and Sounds panels are visible. The main area shows a track named 'Audio 1'. A green arrow labeled '1' points to the track name. Below the track, the 'Track' and 'Master' tabs are active. The 'Recording Settings' section shows 'Input: 1 (Scarlett 2i2 USB)'. The 'Plug-ins' section shows a 'Compressor' plugin with its power button highlighted by a red box and a green arrow labeled '2'. Below the 'Compressor', the 'Master Echo' and 'Master Reverb' options are also highlighted by a red box and a green arrow labeled '3'. On the right, a red box highlights the 'Compressor' plugin's control panel, with a red arrow pointing to the power button.

STEP 5C: Setup the 1st Track

- 1) While still on the « Track »
- 2) Clic on « EQ »
- 3) Set to« off »



STEP 6A: Finish Setup
of the 1st Track

- 1) Clic on « Master »
- 2) Clic on « output » and Set everything « off »



STEP 6B: Finish Setup
of the 1st Track

- 1) Still on « Master »
- 2) Clic on « Effects » and check that everything is off.



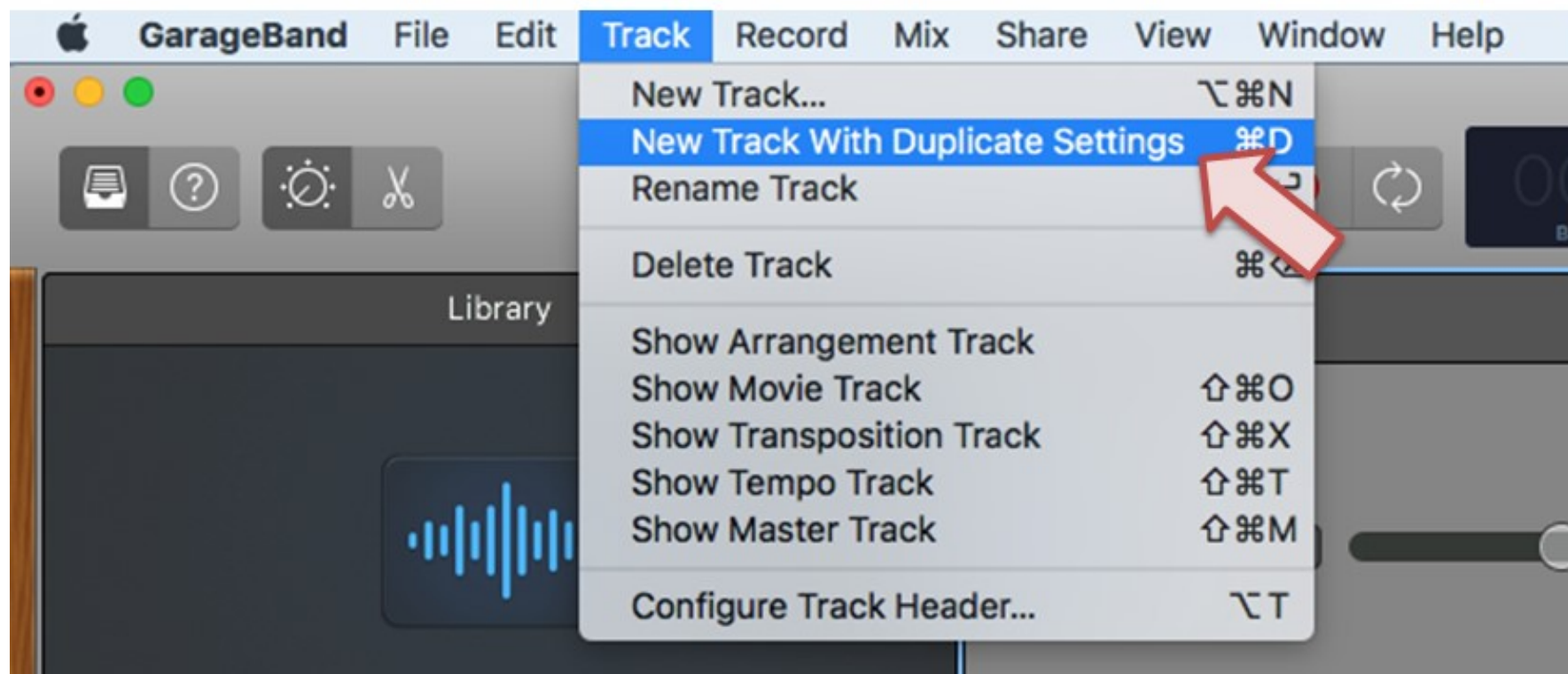
STEP 6C: Finish Setup
of the 1st Track

- 1) Still on « Master »
- 2) Clic on « EQ » and check that everything is off.



STEP 7: Create a 2nd Track

- 1) Click on Track > New Track with Duplicate settings



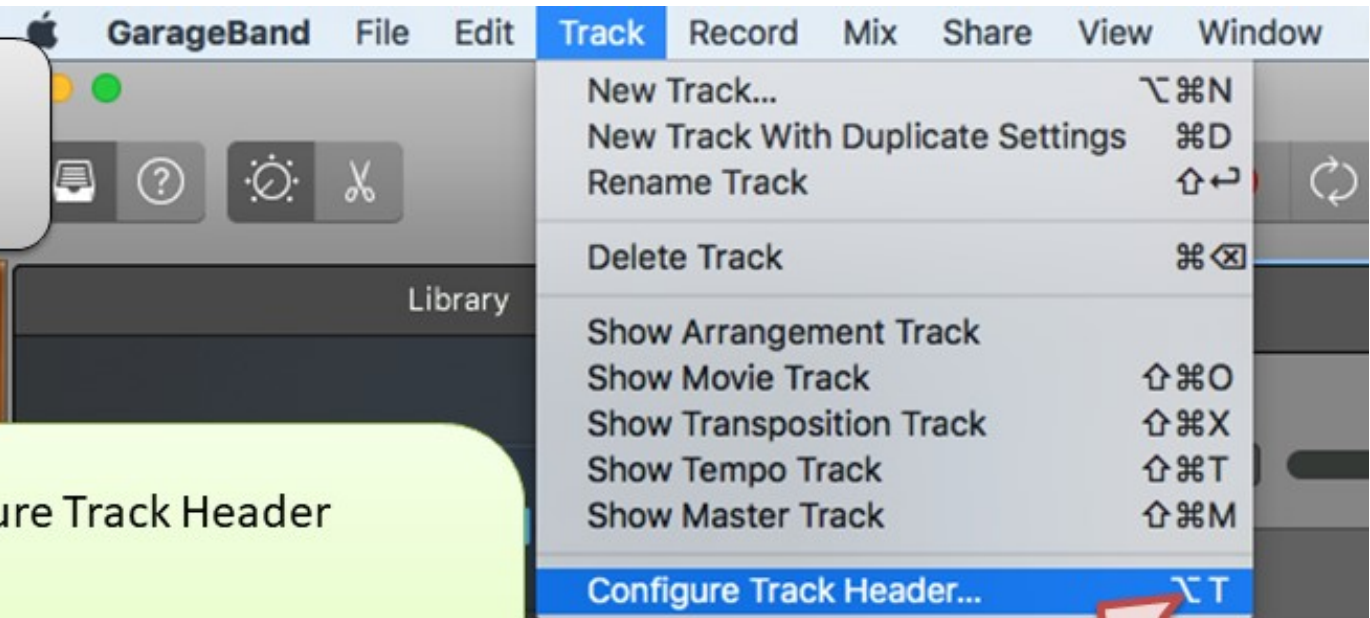
STEP 8: Setup 2nd Track

For the second Track

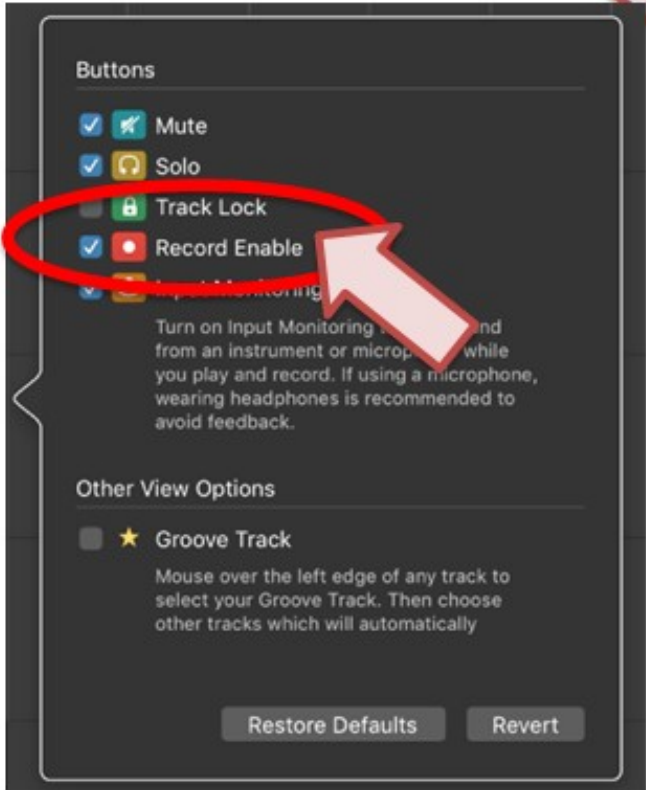
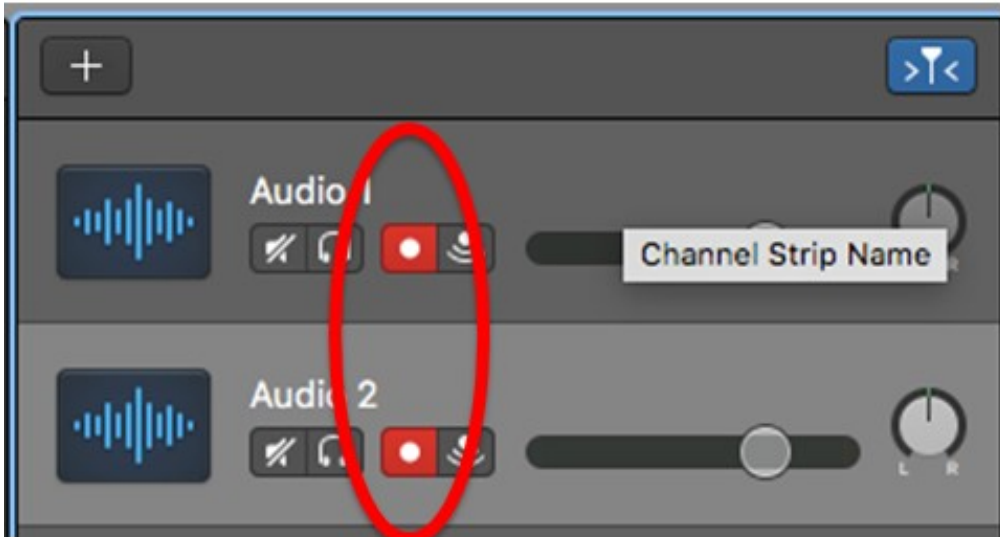
- 1) Rename it to « pickup »
- 2) Set input to « 2 Scarlett 2i4 USB »



STEP 9: Prepare recording



- 1) Click on Track > Configure Track Header
- 2) Click on record enable
- 3) Enable both tracks for recording (they both should be blinking red)

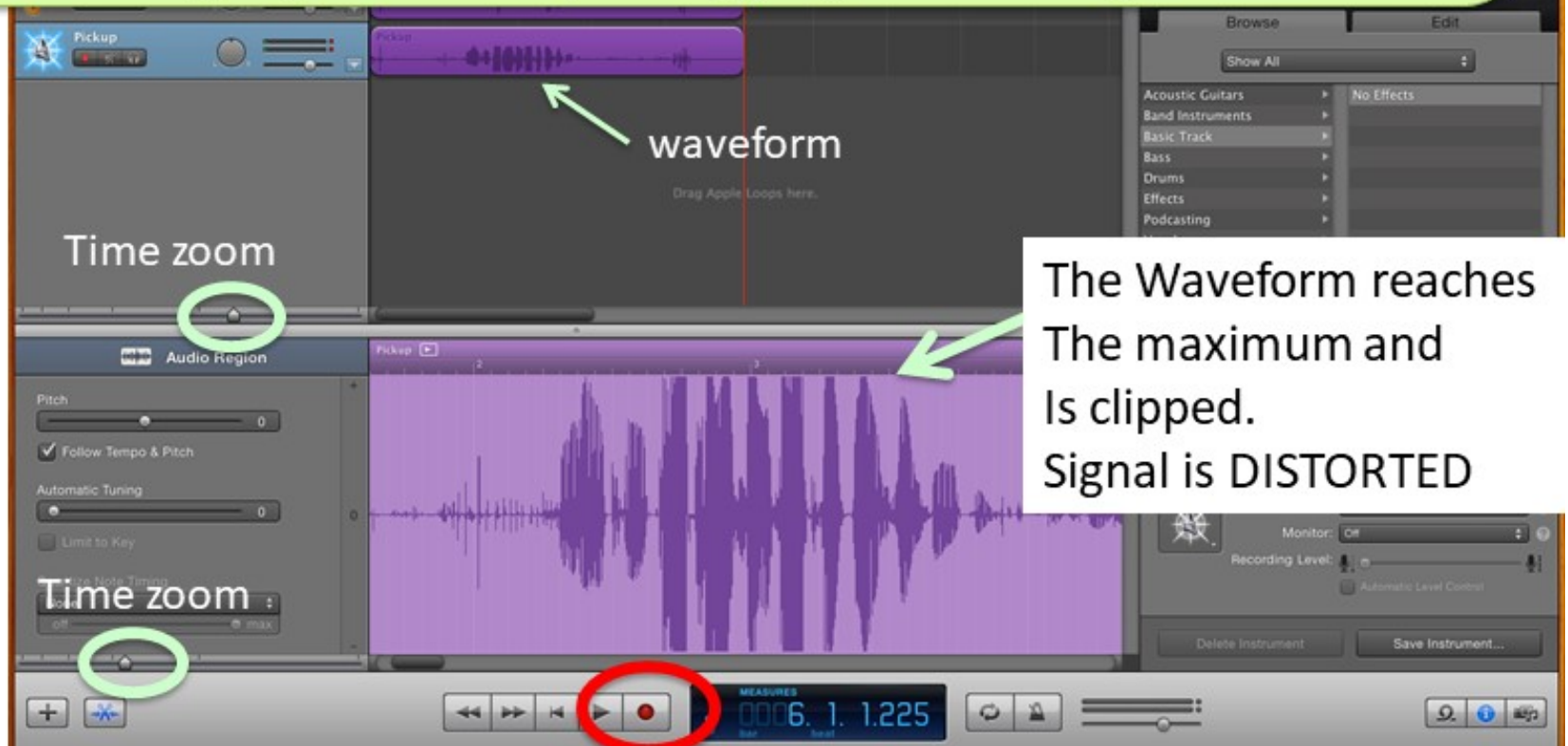


STEP 10: Adjust the gain pots

GREEN is GOOD



- 1) Adjust the gain pot
- 2) Press record (red circle on the bottom) & play heavily
- 3) The circle light around the pot should NEVER flash red. It may flash orange when strumming hard. If it does go red turn the pot counter clockwise.
- 4) Check the recording by double clicking on the « waveform »
- 5) If the levels are wrong, adjust the corresponding gain pot and start again



When strumming normally, both signals should look like this:



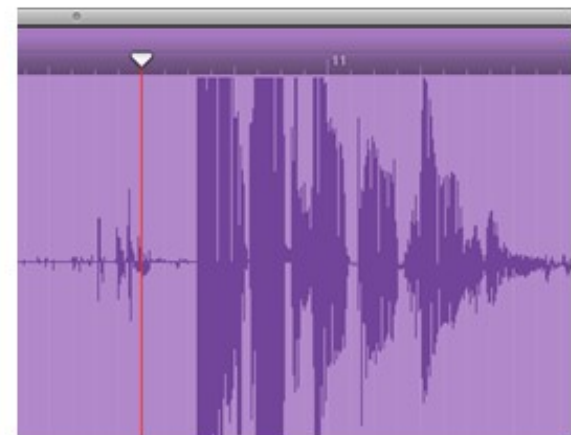
Signal could be too weak
(unless you are finger picking)



Signal is perfect



Signal is distorted



You are ready: Press record

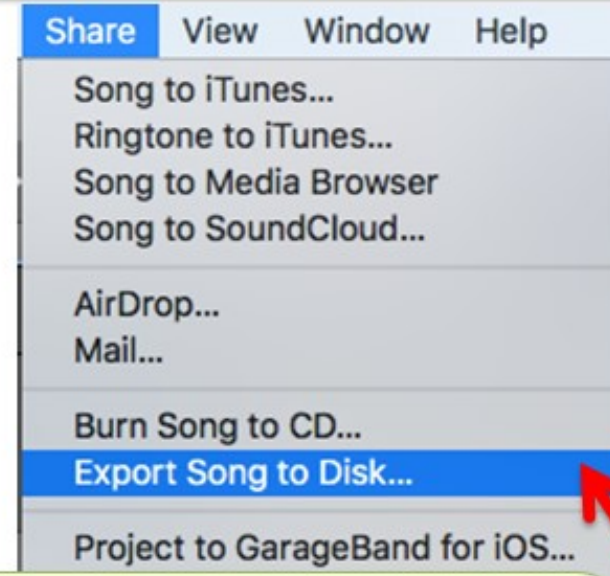
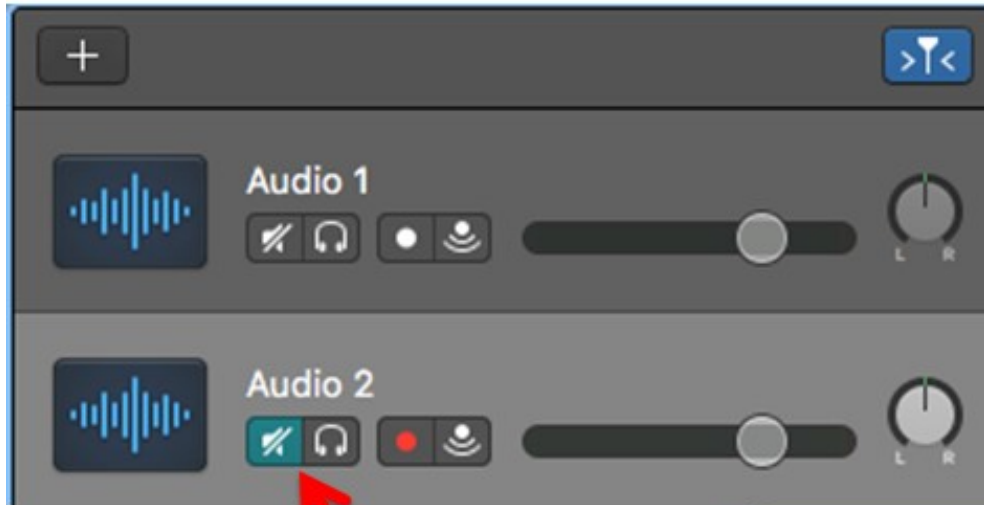
Please record 2-3 minutes

STEP 11: Record the tracks!

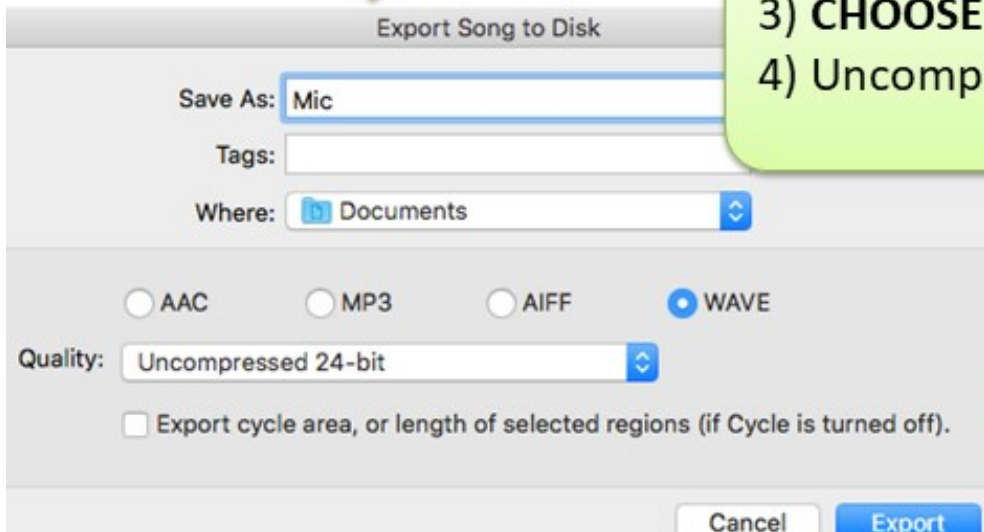
- 1) It does not have to be musical
- 2) The algorithm does not care if you make mistakes
- 3) Play what you mostly play if you play 80% open chords: just do it.
- 4) For 15% time don't hesitate to explore the neck
- 5) Let few notes sustain

STEP 11: Save Track 1

- 1) Mute pickup track (red arrow) check that Mic is NOT muted. (as in the picture)
- 2) To Save Mic Track, Clic on Share > Export Song to Disk



- 3) **CHOOSE WAV**
- 4) Uncompressed 24-bit

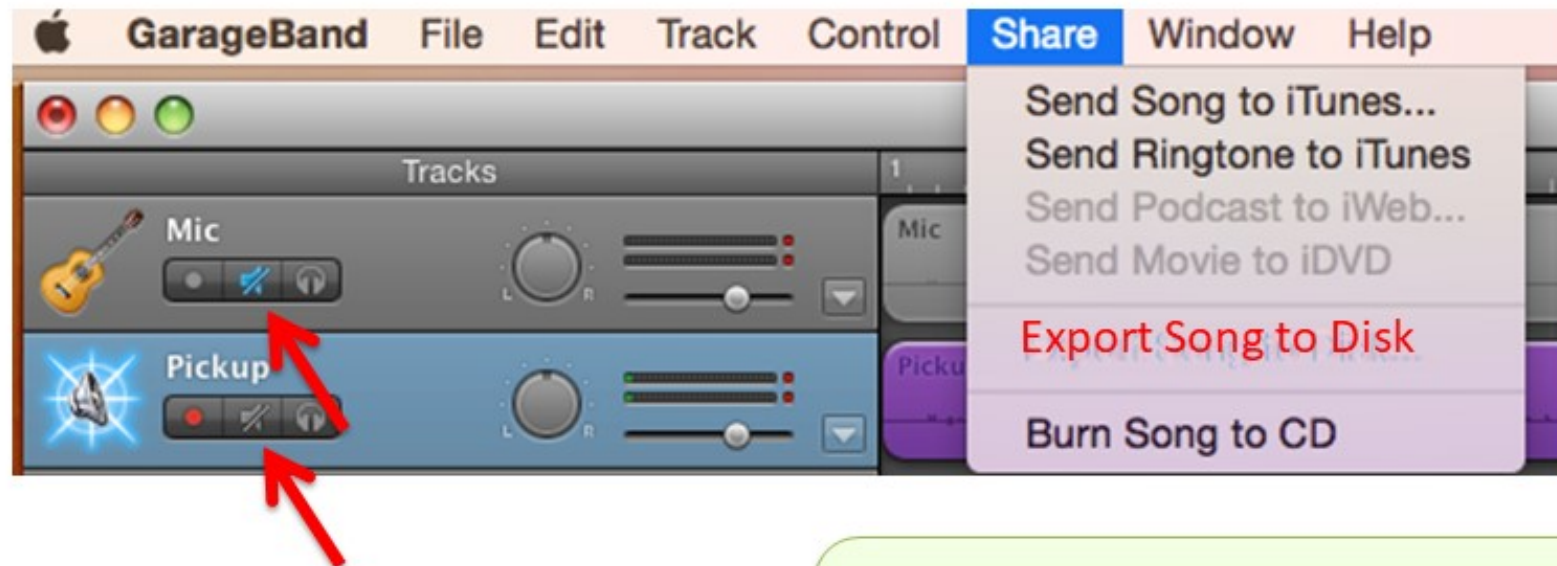


NB: The loop button MUST be off



STEP 12: Save Track 2

- 1) Mute Mic track (red arrow)
- 2) Unmute pickup track (red arrow)
- 3) To Save Pickup Track, Click on Share > Export Song to Disk



- 3) **Choose WAV**
- 4) **24-bit uncompressed**

- 5) Listen to both files and check if one is pickup and the other mic track.
- 6) Send us both files [You can contact us through the AcousticGuitarForum. Pm to *Cuki79* or *JonFields45*]