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Subject: turntable channel problems

Posted by [ChristineS](#) on Mon, 09 Jan 2006 00:10:36 GMT

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OK, after many months I've finally gotten some time to fix my turntable! Here's my problem: I have a Technics SL-BD22 with a audiotechnica AT91E cartridge. My turntable is hooked up to my technics amp, which has phono inputs. It's played well for 2 years, but recently the sound started sounding hollow and very faint. The pops and crackles from the turntable are, however, regular volume! I bought a new needle cartridge but no change. It's grounded OK. However, when I removed the right RCA cable from the amp, the sound came through the left speaker at normal volume. Same happens when I unplug the left RCA cable, the sound then comes to the right speaker. Plug 'em both in and the sound is again very soft. Next step is to see if the cable is OK, but after chasing my 2-yr old around I'm too pooped tonite to look for one. Thanks in advance for helping!

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Subject: Re: turntable channel problems

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Mon, 09 Jan 2006 01:55:49 GMT

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Hi Christine; I remmember your original post. I think you have a bad capacitor in the phono stage but I may not be correct. Which Technics amp do you have?

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Posted by [ChristineS](#) on Mon, 09 Jan 2006 14:31:34 GMT

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I have a Technics SA-EX320 amp. Here's the link to my post from a year ago..<http://www.audioroundtable.com/Turntable/messages/411.html> I was wondering if something went bad, since my setup worked fine for 2 years or so...Thanks again!

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Subject: Re: turntable channel problems

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Christine; do you have a stereo/mono switch on the Amp? If so flip it back and forth while playing and see what happens. Was that you that said you were moving across country at that time?

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No, unfortunately no mono/stereo button, but I just went and fiddled with the RCA cables going into the turntable, and now it actually works. Why I don't know, but it almost sounds like I have a faulty connection somewhere, probably the inputs in the turntable. Sound reasonable? I think I'll listen to some music while it's still working, 'cause I don't know when it'll go on the fritz again!

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Thats why I asked; moving electronic equipment around sometimes loosens things up a bit. Putting the RCA jacks repeatedly into the amp probably made better contact.

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