## Step 1: Reproduce the bug

According to the report : try to save or load a preset to a file, the host is freezing. Observed :

- 1. The host is freezing after save to a file (we can still be able to choose the file to save).
- 2. The file chosen is not updated after the freezing

## Step 2: Localize the item which may cause the problem

The problem can be due to:

- The class RockyPresetSaver and RockyPresetLoader or
- 2. Their mother RockyEngineBase, since both Save and Load can cause the freezing The "freezing" can probably indicate some thread error, thus it is necessary to check the step of thread.

## Step 3: Check Class RockEngineBase

The scenario defined by RockEngineBase (RockyProcessor::savePresetTo(const juce::File&inFile)):

- 1. Create object RockEngineBase (assume it is a) as well as initializeEngine()
- 2. a() <- the operator is defined to startThread()
- 3. run() to start triggerAsyncUpdate() and trigger handleAsyncUpdate()

I found there are something wrong:

- 1. There is no stopThread() in the scenario
  - -> Add into RockyEngineBase::~RockyEngineBase()
- 2. In void RockyProcessor::savePresetTo(const juce::File& inFile) and void RockyProcessor::loadPresetFrom(const juce::File& inFile): they defined a real object (RockyPresetSaver saver(\*this, inFile);) instead of using pointer
  - -> Change to pointer

## Step 4: Check Class RockyPresetSaver

Message "Can't retrieve Plugin State." is obtained in the Save File after the correction in Step 3. So we must check the class RockyPresetSaver. In the RockyPresetSaver::execute(), there is a lack of mProcessor.getStateInformation(mState) (which is put in the middle of function) at the beginning. -> Move it to the beginning

Then I found that if I tried to save to a existing file, the file would not reflect to what I save. So I add a mFile.deleteFile().

These are all I have done.