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Subject: Well, crap

Posted by [pbraun](#) on Fri, 09 Oct 2009 06:05:57 GMT

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Looks like my pci slots, even though they're keyed to be 5v slots, may not be. As soon as I plug in the EDS card I get a bios beep code that says there's a problem with one of the pci cards.

Damn.

I'm going to call HP in the morning and see if I can find a tech who has a clue who can see exactly what's up with those two slots.

Otherwise, it's off to ebay for a magma. VirtuaVia looks nice, but all they sell is pci-e and I ain't got those.

Hell, ebay is 95% pci-e and express card. Barely a pci version in the bunch.

And most of the guys selling have split them up so I have to try and win TWO freakin' auctions.

I'm being punished. This is what I get for abandoning my G4-based Paris system.

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Subject: Re: Well, crap

Posted by [kerryg](#) on Fri, 09 Oct 2009 06:55:28 GMT

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Ah, the joy. The pain. The suffering. It begins.

Seriously - that doesn't sound right; if it goes in the slot, I would have thought it ought to work. Have you got another PCI card to test in the slot? I had the PCI slots on my first mobo crap out on me before I even got started.

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Posted by [dnafe](#) on Fri, 09 Oct 2009 10:42:50 GMT

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Why don't you look for a new MB like an ASUS P5 series - they are solid performers with Paris and I picked up my P5B for \$55 on Ebay.

You might also look at the P4 series also as I believe that was my previous MB before the latest upgrade

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The problem with that is I have a very solid HP workstation with dual 3GHz Xeons and 4GB of ram and a 600W psu. That was free.

If I start building a pc, it's going to cost me way more than the cost of a used Magma.

I'll try another card tonight. I looked at the pci spec, and the 5v slots are keyed differently from the 3.3v slots, so these should work.

It's entirely possible that this EDS card isn't right, either - I think this is one that I got from ebay and haven't used yet.

That would suck....

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Posted by [pbraun](#) on Fri, 09 Oct 2009 14:07:42 GMT

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I just found a tech sheet for an Avid system specifically talking about the HP xw8000 workstation.

The two slots are definitely 5v.

I wonder if there's something in bios....or maybe I have a bad EDS card.

Tonight I'm going to pull the card from my Mac, which I know is good, and try it.

I will also put the questionable card into the Mac and see if it works that way.

If the card is bad, I'm wondering how much Thesoniq charges to refurbish them or if I'm better off just watching for another card either here or on ebay....

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Posted by [pbraun](#) on Sat, 10 Oct 2009 03:01:00 GMT

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Woooooo-freakin'-hooooo!!!

Apparently the bios was yelling at me because it didn't like the sata RAID card I had left plugged in. (Damn thing only understands RAID, won't do JBOD. New card is on the way, since this motherboard is scsi/IDE.

I verified the first EDS card was still good in the Mac. Plugged it back into the XP rig, booted up, and the hardware wizard fired off. Loaded Mike's driver, did the adat and studiocontrol thing, installed PARIS, rebooted, and it all works!!!!

I'm just giddy. I do need to make a video card change, since the Matrox G450 ain't crazy about the native res of my two audio monitors. But I had a project up on three monitors! Just need to get the SATA card so I can start moving my unmixed Paris files over, and I need to reformat one of my firewire drives as FAT32.

Can I just import 16/44.1 Mac paf files directly?

Have I mentioned that I'm excited?

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Subject: Re: Well, crap  
Posted by [kerryg](#) on Sat, 10 Oct 2009 04:52:46 GMT  
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Congrats! Yes, absolutely, you can import any PAFs. I believe you can actually just open your old PPJs directly (as long as the PAF files it refers to haven't changed names during the transfer).

Ah, the pain - the joy -

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