Subject: Magma experiences
Posted by auberg on Fri, 19 Sep 2008 17:14:34 GMT
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read some about the 4 PCI version with internal hard disks.

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Subject: Re: Magma experiences
Posted by Mike Audet on Fri, 19 Sep 2008 20:08:51 GMT
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I love my Magama. It's 7 slots, which will come in handy as PCI dries up
on new motherboards. The card that goes into the computer is 3.3 volts,
so you don't have to worry about the 5 volt EDS cards being incompatible
with new boards. I haven't even had to think about IRQ lines or anything
like that. The cooling might as well be designed for EDS cards. There are
2 huge fans that blow down right on the side of the cards.

The only thing I would suggest is that if you get an older one like mine,
make sure you get the flat cable that is supposed to come with it. They
don't make them anymore, and they are rare and expensive. It would be better
to get a newer one with the rounded cable if you can.

I hope this helps.

Mike

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