Subject: expansion chassis, configs, etc. Posted by uptown jimmy on Sat, 24 Jul 2010 18:15:27 GMT

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Hey kids!

Trying to get my Paris system flying again. Gotta have multiple EDS cards, but those Virtua Via chassis all seem to involve PCIe. I got a dually Pentium 3 with PCI slots, anything out there for me? Or should I bite the bullet and buy another new motherboard?

Glad to see things are still going here.

Jimmy

Subject: Re: expansion chassis, configs, etc.

Posted by kerryg on Sat, 24 Jul 2010 22:12:04 GMT

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Heya Jimmy - I don't know, I'm pretty sure the VirtuaVia chassis was intended from the git-go as a PCI to PCIe adapter with "benefits", so there may not be a PCI version. So upgrading the mobo would be the only solution. If you don't want to go that way, you could hunt eBay for a used Magma, you should be able to get a used PCI version for a good price - I know little about Magma chassis but maybe someone else here could comment on whether any of these are good candidates.

With Win7 drivers in working beta though, this might be the time to bite the bullet and take the upgrade plunge. This is the first time in a long time we've not had our choices constrained to a narrow range of increasingly obsolete hardware - I'm thinking of going for an upgrade this year too, dual-boot to start.

Subject: Re: expansion chassis, configs, etc. Posted by uptown jimmy on Sun, 25 Jul 2010 03:29:58 GMT

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Kerry!

Thanks, dude.

I guess I'll try to get my current setup working, get me a big 24" monitor, tweak XP so I no longer get streaming errors, wait for Win7, then buy a new mboard and fly.

These streaming errors are weird, I don't know how to get rid of them. I've tried several things, it didn't used to be a problem for me. Maybe I didn't get Mike's last most bestest drivers?

Subject: Re: expansion chassis, configs, etc Posted by kerryg on Sun, 25 Jul 2010 04:48:52 GMT

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Are you on Mike's retail drivers, or still on the beta drivers? Give Mike an email, he'll sort you out.

I misspoke on the Win7 drivers, by the way - a conversation with Mike earlier sorted me out. The shots we've seen of PARIS running on Win7 are not actually of PARIS running Win7 drivers - they're PARIS running on Win7 using the XP drivers, and apparently they're working quite well. Go figure! But still you'll want to hedge your bets and dual boot with XP for the moment.

Subject: Re: expansion chassis, configs, etc Posted by uptown jimmy on Sun, 25 Jul 2010 16:10:24 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Mike hasn't replied. I'll just go ahead and download his retail drivers, make the XP tweaks, see how it goes.

Subject: Re: expansion chassis, configs, etc Posted by kerryg on Sun, 25 Jul 2010 18:13:30 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Mike has a Very Large And All-Consuming Life Event going on this week which I'm sure he'll come by and tell us about in time, so give him a little time to reply.

But yeah, the XP drivers are a no-brainer, I'd just grab 'em - they're solid, and Mike's the kind of guy who'll sit with you on the phone and wrestle with a balky computer with you until it's fixed.

Subject: Re: expansion chassis, configs, etc Posted by uptown jimmy on Thu, 29 Jul 2010 16:56:17 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I've got a seemingly solid rig now: 2 EDS cards, 2 C16, 1 MEC with 2 input cards and 1 output card, synced digitally via SPDIF to a Kurzweil Mangler and Rumour via wordclock from a Lucid GenX6-96.

Mike's release drivers and the stock ParisWiki config tweaks seem to have done the trick.

WinXP, SP 3
Pentium 4 dual 3 GHz
1 gig RAM
2 x 7,200RPM drives
20" Dell monitor

Loving it.

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