
Subject: Re: best wifi solution for powermac Digital Audio
Posted by [Neil Hughes](#) on Mon, 01 Jun 2015 20:25:05 GMT
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On 04/09/2015 09:51 PM, Bruce Johnson wrote:

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>> On Apr 9, 2015, at 1:37 PM, David Sutherland <turnkit@gmail.com> wrote:
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>> It might be easier just to buy a PCI USB 2.0 card if you can get them still. The one's I had
success with in the G4 Quicksilver's had "NEC" chipsets. That is important as the OS had drivers
built in for that.
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> Any PCI USB2 card that offers OHCI will work out of the box; since this was also the
requirement for Windows 7, pretty much any USB2.0 card on the market will work.
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> USB1.1 cards were a different story.
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I've only just caught up with this thread....I never realized that you
could use off-the-shelf USB2 PCI cards with PPC Macs.

I recently bought a couple of Konig (NEC chipset, 4 external ports, one
internal) USB2 cards off Amazon to use with OpenBSD (one is now in an
old HP minitower with a motherboard ATI USB chipset that is not
recognized), so when I read this thread I went off and swapped the 2nd
Konig card for the unemployed Grappler SCSI in my B&W G3 PowerMac.

It works fine under 10.4 - System Profiler reports an EHCI USB bus.

The HP flatbed scanner works fine, though I'm not seeing any noticeable
speed-up.

A 16GB USB2 memory stick reads/writes at about 40 Mb/s, compared with 5
Mb/s on an internal USB port and the USB1.1 Belkin card I added many
years ago. That's marginally faster than on my 2009 Mac mini running
Mavericks, before the latter's caching kicks in.

Thanks David & Bruce.

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Neil

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