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Apple IIGS: How to Mix a 3.5-inch Drive with Other Drives

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TOPIC -----

I am using an Apple IIGS with a DuoDisk drive and a single 5.25-inch drive. The controller cards are in slots 5 and 6. I want to use a 3.5-inch drive along with the other drives. I installed an Apple UniDisk 3.5-inch drive with its controller in slot 4 and tried slot 7 with no success. I changed the slot settings under the Control Panel each time. How can a 3.5-inch drive be used with the described 5.25-inch drives?

DISCUSSION -----

Try this configuration:

- 1) Plug the UniDisk 3.5-inch directly into the back of the computer (no controller).
- 2) Plug the DuoDisk into the port on the UniDisk 3.5 disk (no controller).
- 3) Plug the single 5.25-inch UniDisk into a controller card in slot 7.

Set the Control Panel as follows:

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slot 5    smart port
slot 6    disk port
slot 7    your card
startup  scan
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This configuration tries first to start up from the UniDisk 5.25. If no disk is found, then it looks to drive 1 of the DuoDisk. If no disk is found, then it goes to the UniDisk 3.5.

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