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Connecting Two Macintosh Computers With a Serial Cable (3/95)

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TOPIC -----

I have two Macintosh computers, is it necessary to connect the two using LocalTalk connectors, or would a serial cable like the Peripheral 8 cable work?

DISCUSSION -----

It is possible to connect two Macintosh computers using AppleTalk protocols with a Peripheral 8 cable. The serial cable needed to make the connection is the Apple System Peripheral - 8 Cable (finished goods part number M0197, service part number 590-0552). Part numbers mentioned in this article are accurate as of this writing. Before ordering, verify that they are still correct as they are subject to change.

By using personal file sharing, you can share information between the two computers. Remember, using the Peripheral - 8 serial cable will only let you create a two node network. In other words you will lose other network services because the port is being used by the serial cable.

For information on connecting a LaserWriter to a Macintosh with a serial cable, search for the Tech Info Library article titled "LaserWriter: Connecting to a Macintosh via Serial Cable."

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