

Suggestions On Connecting More Than 254 Macintoshes to Ethernet

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If you want to connect Macintoshes together in a large network -- BEYOND the AppleTalk 254 node limit on Ethernet, for instance -- here a couple of suggestions:

- Do not connect all of the Macintoshes directly. Use a LocalTalk network and FastPaths to bridge the LocalTalk Macintoshes onto the Ethernet. (This is a low-end solution.)
- Use two FastPaths linked together with LocalTalk cabling to slow the packets to LocalTalk speed, 234K baud. This method creates two separately addressable zones with 254 AppleTalk nodes per zone.
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