

LANStar/EtherTalk: Macintosh II Bridge Not Available

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A LANStar card and an EtherTalk card can be placed into a Macintosh II However, this does not bridge the two networks through the Macintosh II. It merely lets the two networks have branches to the same machine, but there is no communication between the networks or between machines on the different networks.

Software written specifically to recognize both cards (and networks) also is required. This software needs to implement functions similar to those provided by a Kinetics FastPath for LocalTalk and Ethernet. Currently, there is no software that we know of that can do this. Northern Telecomm software provides bridging functions between LocalTalk and LANStar, but it does not do the same with the EtherTalk card.

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