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MacTCP CDEV and EtherTalk

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TOPIC -----

I have an EtherTalk board in my Macintosh II and am using MacTCP and NCSA Telnet to talk to campus mainframes through an Ethernet backbone.

When I select Ethernet in the MacTCP CDEV, I can connect to a host through Ethernet. However, when I have EtherTalk selected, I cannot make a TCP connection to any host. Shouldn't I be able to make a connection with EtherTalk selected?

DISCUSSION -----

EtherTalk in MacTCP is for sending AppleTalk packets with encapsulated TCP. Use this choice for networks that must go through a DDP/IP router. The Ethertalk setting creates the Datagram Delivery Packets that the router expects.

Your network apparently has direct access to the TCP host, which lets you use the straight packets (Ethernet choice). The way to look at this setting is that it's one or the other, not both.

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