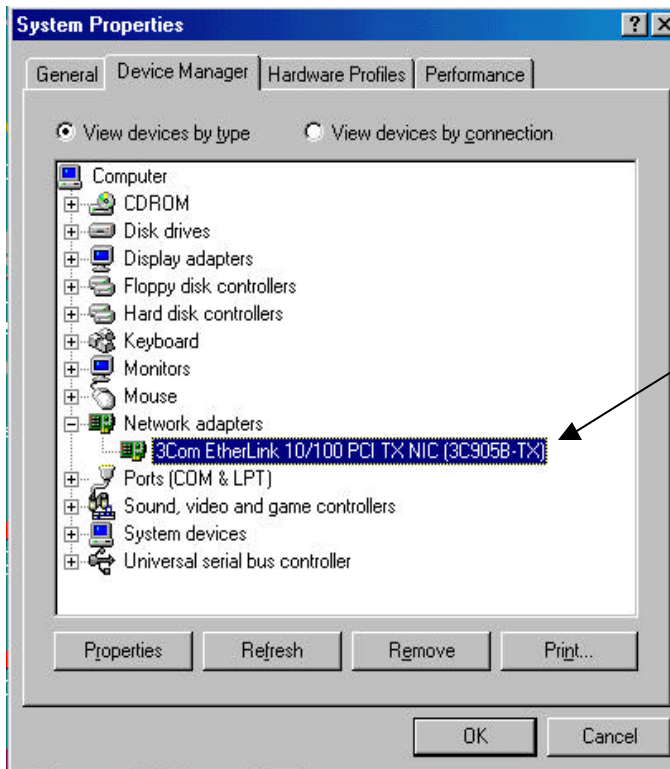


# How To Check If You Have An Ethernet Card

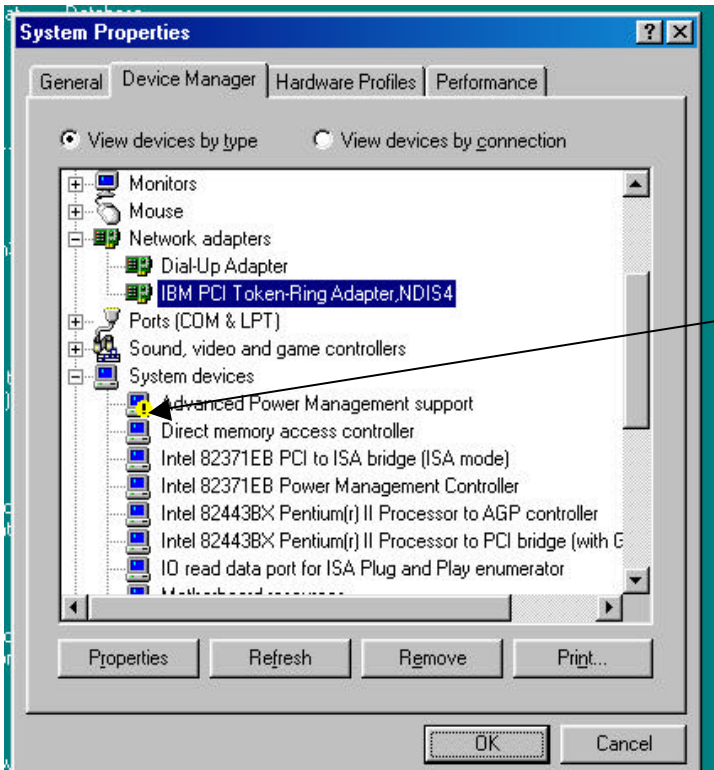
1. In order to check if you have an Ethernet card, right click on **My Computer**. Then scroll down and click **Properties**.
2. This brings up the **System Properties** window. There are four tabs across the top of the window. Click on the one that is labeled **Device Manager**. This window will show you all of the hardware installed in your machine and if it is working properly or not. Scroll down the list and look for a line that says **Network Adapters**.



**Name of your Ethernet Adapter appears here.**

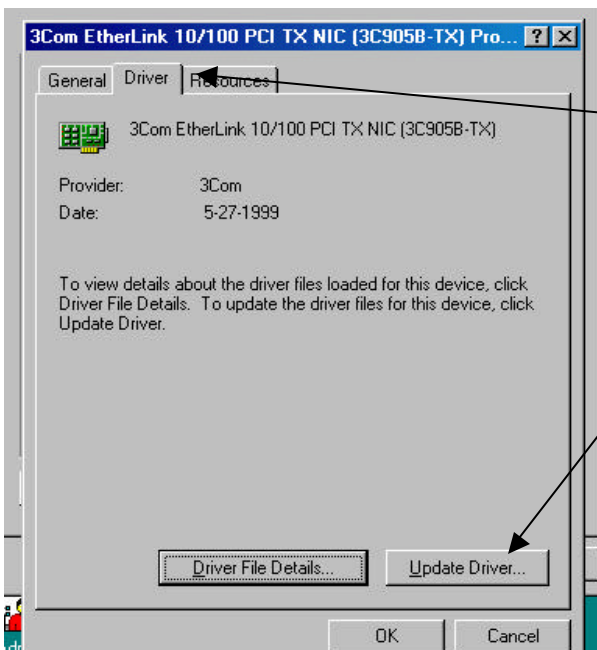
**\*Note – If you do not have a Network Adapters section displayed in your “Systems Properties” window, you probably do not have an Ethernet card installed.**

3. If your card is installed, it should be listed under the **Network Adapters** section and should give the model and brand name of the card.
4. If your card is listed, but has a small red or yellow card next to it, then the card is installed, but needs to have its drivers reinstalled.



This mark means that your hardware is not working properly.

5. If you have a network card installed and it is not running properly, go into the **Device Manager** like above and highlight your Ethernet card in the list. Then click on **Properties**. Click the **Driver** tab on the top of the window and select the **Update Driver** button. This will guide you through a driver installation similar to the one you completed for a first time installation.

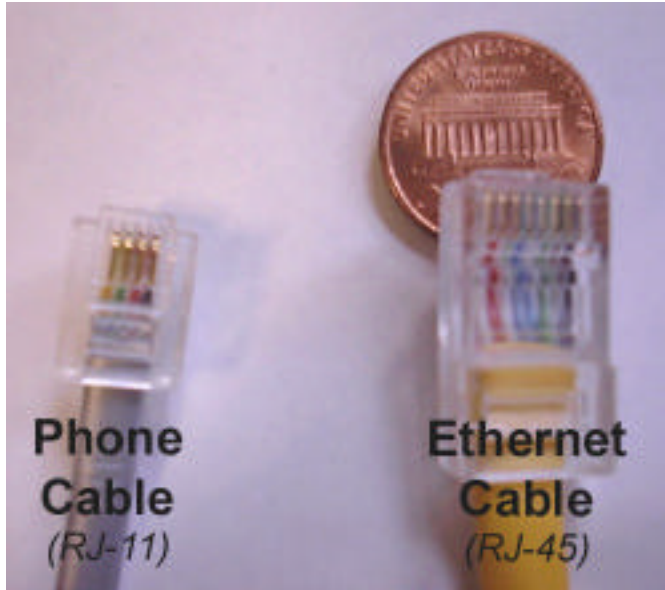


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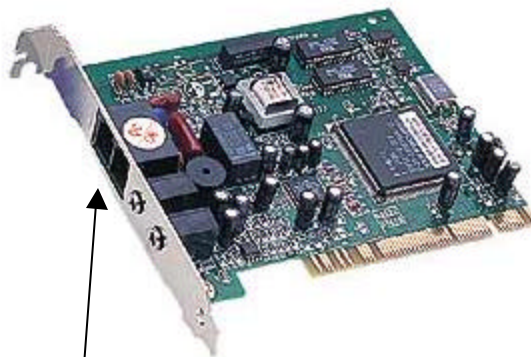
Update Driver

**\*Note – An Ethernet Card is NOT a modem. They look very similar, but they are not the same thing.**

An Ethernet Card takes a cable that looks like a phone cord, but if you look closely you will notice that the cord for the Ethernet card has a slightly larger end on it. Similarly, the plug (jack) on the card itself looks like a modem jack, but it is slightly larger.



**Ethernet Card – usually has only one jack.**



**Modem – Usually has two jacks on it.**