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GETTING | STARTED |

The Apple (R) III. Constellation II products from Corvus Systems and the Apple III computer can be used together in several configurations. This Read Me First guide contains flowcharts and manual summaries to help you to determine the appropriate steps to set up your Corvus hardware and software.

The flowcharts and the summaries do not cover installing the network backup devices, The Bank (TM) or the Mirror (R) Server, or the network printer server. Refer to the manuals included with each product for further information.

Read through the following descriptions of the system configurations and choose the one that describes the setup you want. Then check the flowchart to find out what manuals to read to set up the equipment.

o Single-Computer or Starting an Apple Network

A single-computer system refers to an OmniDrive (TM) disk system connected to a single Apple III. A single-computer system is the starting point for a network of Apple III computers. To set up a single-computer system with an Apple III or to begin an Omninet network for Apple III computers, follow the sequence of manuals outlined in the flowchart below.

Steps for a Single-Computer System or Apple Network

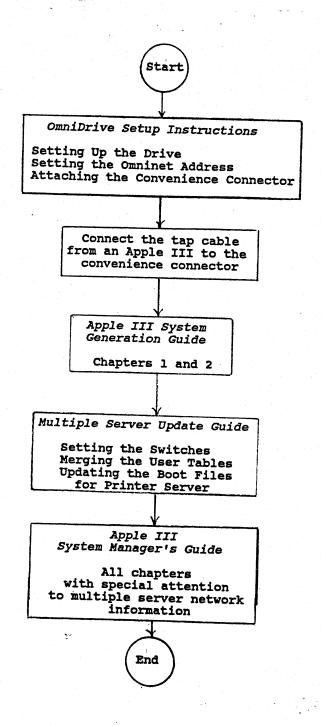
Apple III Network Station User Guide

Familiarize yourself with all chapters and make sure each network user has a copy

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o Adding Another OmniDrive to an Apple Network

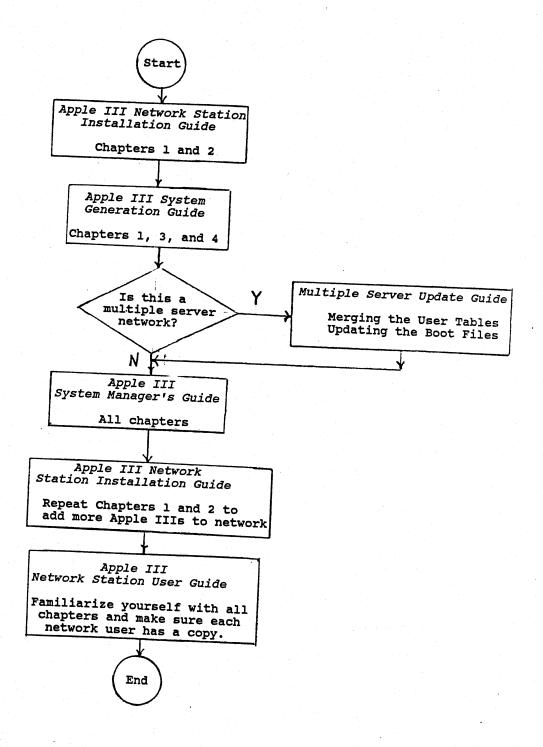
If you already have an Apple III Constellation II network and have purchased another OmniDrive to expand the storage capacity, check the flowchart below for the sequence of manuals to follow. It is not necessary to have new Constellation II software if you still have the diskettes you used to generate the original drive.



Steps for Adding Another OmniDrive

o Adding Only Apple Software to an Existing Network

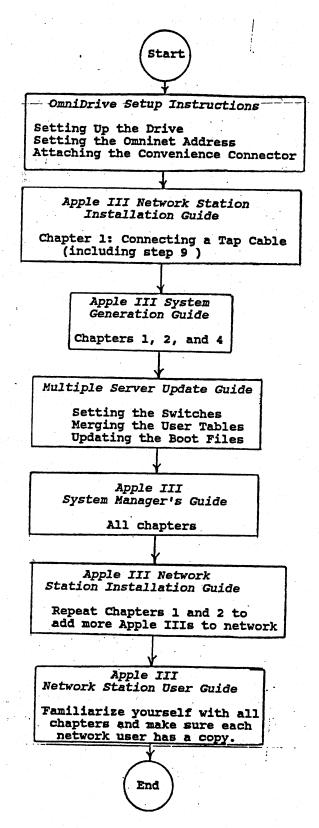
To add Apple III Constellation II software and the Apple III computer to your existing Constellation II network without adding another disk system, follow the sequence of manuals outlined in the flowchart below.



Steps for Adding Apple Software to an Existing Drive

o Adding an OmniDrive for the Apple III to an Existing Network

If your existing disk system does not have enough free space to add Apple III software, you can add an OmniDrive as well as Apple III Constellation II to your existing network. To add Apple III Constellation II and a new OmniDrive to your existing network, follow the sequence of manuals outlined in the flowchart below.



Steps for Adding an OmniDrive for the Apple III to an Existing Network

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MANUAL | SUMMARIES |

This section lists and summarizes all of the manuals referred to in the flowcharts in the previous section.

OmniDrive Setup Instructions

-- Gives step-by-step instructions for placing the OmniDrive, setting the Omninet address to distinguish between it and other devices, and attaching a convenience connector (which connects an OmniDrive directly to a computer). It also describes how to lay out the Omninet network trunk cable and make network taps to plug in the OmniDrive and other devices.

Apple III Network Station Installation Guide

-- Gives step-by-step instructions for installing the Transporter (TM) card into the Apple III and connecting a tap cable (which connects the computer to an OmniDrive or to the Omninet trunk cable).

Apple III System Generation Guide

-- Explains how to place Constellation II software on an OmniDrive. Chapter 1 shows how to prepare for system generation, Chapter 2 shows how to put Apple III Constellation II on a new OmniDrive and, Chapter 3 shows how to add it to an existing Constellation II network. Chapter 4 shows how to make boot diskettes for network users and copy Corvus utilities to the OmniDrive.

Multiple Server Update Guide

-- Explains the steps necessary to have more than one disk server or OmniDrive on a network. It covers setting the bias switch, merging the user tables, and updating boot files. The user tables and the boot files on all drives on a network must be identical for the network to work correctly.

Apple III System Manager's Guide

Shows how to use Constellation II software for a mass storage system. Every drive must be divided into volumes before it can be used. User accounts, which assign volumes to users, must also be established. The system manager's guides show how to create volumes and user accounts, as well as explain other functions of system management.

Apple III Network Station User Guide

Shows network users how to use the programs Corvus supplies to enhance working on a network. The programs consist of a mount manager, to use many different volumes on the network disk system; spool and despool programs, to send files to a network printer or exchange files with other users; and a backup-to-floppy program for backing up data from volumes to floppy diskettes.

Apple III Disk Diagnostic Guide

-- Explains how to diagnose and solve problems that may occur with a disk system.