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Subject: OT: My Camcorder

Posted by [boma57](#) on Thu, 26 Jun 2003 03:20:31 GMT

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I just got a new Digital Camcorder (JVC GR-D70u), and I want to be able to take the video from the camera and put it onto my PC...but no such luck with anything. Everything I've read in the manual about hooking it up to your PC (USB) is about getting the digital snapshots off. I already have a digital camera, so I didn't buy camcorder for that (I didn't get the memory card for that either), I want to be able to get the video onto the PC, not the stills.

Bleh, if anyone has any ideas, I would love to hear them.

Right now, my PCs not even recognizing the camcorder because it doesn't have the memory card (for still snapshots) in it.

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Posted by [gendres](#) on Thu, 26 Jun 2003 04:03:12 GMT

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for live recording or to pass the video to your PC you would need the latest version of windows movie maker and a 1394 port, USB is just for pictures, or in a Mac you could use iMovie with the Firewire port...

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Posted by [boma57](#) on Thu, 26 Jun 2003 04:18:32 GMT

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Bleh...I have Windows Movie Maker, is it possible to buy and install a 1394 port? :S

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Subject: OT: My Camcorder

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hmm i dont know, mine came with my Audigy Gamer sound card...

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Video port on a soundcard? o\_O

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yeah well, the 1394 isnt actually a video port, is just a very high speed port so it handles video easily, USB isnt good enough for that

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Subject: OT: My Camcorder  
Posted by [joroe34](#) on Thu, 26 Jun 2003 13:14:17 GMT  
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If you want, you can go buy a program called dazzle. It is a movie maker program that I use. It works well for me.

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Subject: OT: My Camcorder  
Posted by [ohmybad](#) on Thu, 26 Jun 2003 15:53:54 GMT  
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Hmmm couldnt you just use a video capture card?

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But what type of connection do you connect it to your system with? USB? That's all I have right now...

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I don't think the camera supports it...

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Subject: OT: My Camcorder  
Posted by [bigwig992](#) on Thu, 26 Jun 2003 17:40:20 GMT  
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I'm having the same problem Taximes. You need a video capture card, as long as you have the little yellow and white wires that go from your camera into the back of a VCR or TV it'll be supported. Search the web for the Radeon 7500 All-in-Wonder card. It's \$130 bucks, but triples as a video card, video capture card, and some kind of TV thing. Buy two, and send one to me .

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Posted by [joroe34](#) on Thu, 26 Jun 2003 17:48:25 GMT

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Quote:But what type of connection do you connect it to your system with? USB? That's all I have right now...

I just plug into a usb port. Dazzle has many programs you can buy. They start out in the \$90 range. All software comes with the capability to plug any cam via usb port into your computer. It is neat because you can edit your vid nicely. I have a dvd burner so all my analog tapes are converted into digital and I can burn to dvd. It would also work to burn to cd depending on what you have. My comp also came with a windows movie maker, the speeds were very slow and it was impossible to get video onto the hard drive via the usb port because of speed. Again, the software comes with all the parts necessary to plug and play.

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Subject: OT: My Camcorder

Posted by [boma57](#) on Fri, 27 Jun 2003 00:57:07 GMT

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Well, I got some software (Pinnacle Studio, which I looked up and found out was pretty much the same as Dazzle, but better in some areas), but still that's not working.

I think I've figured out the main problem though, it's that my computer won't recognize the camera when it's in the USB port. When installing Pinnacle, it said something about plugging the camera into USB, and then windows automatically configuring the hardware...But it doesn't.

Just as well, in any movie making software where you choose your video device, it just ignores the fact that the camcorder's plugged into USB...

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Subject: OT: My Camcorder

Posted by [General Havoc](#) on Fri, 27 Jun 2003 13:18:40 GMT

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Yeah you need an IEEE 1394 Firewire port for the video. Sound Blaster Audigy cards have one built into them but you can probably pick up a Firewire card for under \$20 from an e-tailer or maybe your local PC hardware store. Also another thing use a small cable and not a long one as the transfer rate will be much higher when transferring video. You should have a little tiny slot on your video recorder around 8mm by 2mm that accepts a firewire lead. It runs over 400 Megabits a second compared to 11 Megabits on USB 1.1

I would have thought if it was a newer model it would have USB 2.0 support as that has a high transfer rate over USB 1.1 and is capable for the transfer of big data.

\_General Havoc

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Subject: OT: My Camcorder  
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DOH.

I HAVE a Firewire port. Two, infact, on my PCI card. Oi, I can't believe I never noticed those >\_<

Now I just need the cable...

4-pin to 6-pin, right?

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LOL

The problem now is that the cables is a little expensive.

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Well, I got everything working, thanks for your help guys

Next thing is though, does anyone who has Pinnacle (Or another program for that matter) know how do a bluescreen type thing? Just overlaying one video clip on top of a certain color from another.

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Subject: OT: My Camcorder  
Posted by [afkaos](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2003 22:59:14 GMT  
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I saw a program that can do that, I just can't remember the name. I think it was like "Video Magician" or something like that. Google for it, such as "Bluescreen" "Video Magician" etc..

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Subject: OT: My Camcorder  
Posted by [npsmith82](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2003 06:32:41 GMT  
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You could always try Adobe Premiere, really great video/audio editing suite.

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You can modify any media file frame-by-frame and add plenty of nice effects. No idea how much it costs nowadays (my version is of course fully paid for \*cough\* bullshit \*cough\*.

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