

## Re: rtl8139 rtl8111 (realtek) lan drivers

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Shawn wrote:

FC6  
asus p5b-vm motherboard

the realtek nic doesn't want to work  
tried another card – which uses rtl 8139 drivers

no luck getting either to send more than 1kb/sec  
can't ping

In my experience, the RTL 8139 driver is very stable and Just Works.  
There are two things I would suggest:

\* So you've had a card that appears not to work. You've swapped it out, and that one doesn't want to work either. Might I suggest that it might not be the card at fault, but the cable of the device to which you're connecting it?

Are the 100 MBit/s lights on? Do you see the lights at either end of the link flashing appropriately when you try pinging?

\* The RTL 8139 is very very common, largely because it is very cheap. It is also a 100 Mbit/s card — these days the only reason for the manufacturers the choose that rather than a gigbit card is to save a few pennies.

So you can expect the manufacturer to have attempted to cut costs as much as possible on this card — are you sure it works properly?

Hope this helps,

James.

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E-mail: [james@aprilcottage.co.uk](mailto:james@aprilcottage.co.uk) | Dalek invasion at work today. I plugged them into the net: they behave better than some Windows boxes. They | make great spam filters: "Enlarge your..." "EX – TER –

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