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On Tuesday 11 December 2007 17.29.48 Willis wrote:

norman wrote:

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Look at your mother board and look at the wire connecting the hdd to the board. If you have a 40 pin connector, about an inch and a half long. it is an ide and if it is a small connector, about a half inch in length, it is sata. Hope that helps.

I trust you meant inch and half wide and not long. Similarly for the SATA cable.

Norman

Sorry about that, it is about an inch and a half by  $i/4$  inch and perhaps  $5/16$  deep and will have a 40 wire ribbon wire if ide and it is usually a round wire with much smaller plugs if sata.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Integrated\\_Drive\\_Electronics](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Integrated_Drive_Electronics)

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