

Re: Advice on Radeon 7000?

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"Rob D." wrote:

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- > *Currently I'm using an ATI 3D Charger card (8MB). Using mplayer on a*
- > *1.1GHz Athlon, full screen divx movies can't be played without the*
- > *framedrop option, and although it's not severe framedropping, I've had*
- > *at least one other person laugh at how jittery it is.*
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- > *So, that sets up my question. I'm looking for an AGP 4x (motherboard*
- > *limitation) card that'll allow me to watch movies fullscreen without*
- > *dropping frames. Will the Radeon 7000 have enough muscle to allow this?*
- > *What other cards might fit my criteria?*

IIRC the entire Radeon line has hardware for video scaling, etc. Using mplayer's "xv" output device will take advantage of this. (I certainly had no problem with video on a similar Radeon on a 1GHz P-III with mplayer. It's been a while though, so my memory is a little fuzzy.)

- > *I've also got a general driver question. In another post above it's*
- > *mentioned that the X drivers for nvidia cards only support 2D*
- > *acceleration, and that I'd have to use nvidia's binary drivers to get 3D*
- > *acceleration (I'd like to avoid binary only drivers). Do X's drivers for*
- > *other chip makers support 3D acceleration?*

You'll need the Radeon DRI drivers from dri.sourceforge.net (open source) to get 3D up and running on a Radeon 7000.