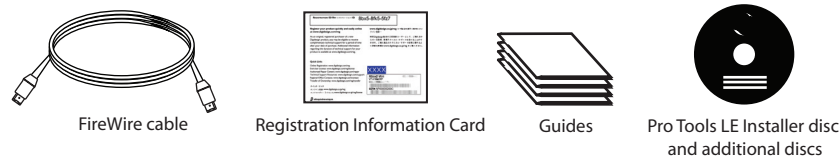# 003 Family Quick Setup
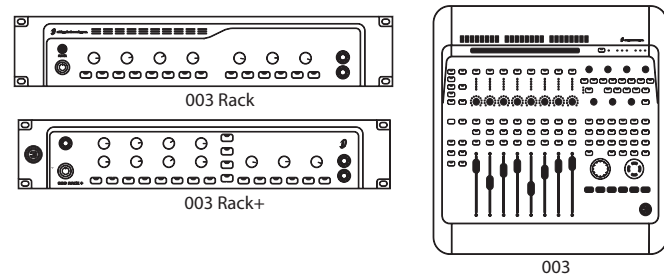
Follow these simple steps to get your Pro Tools® system installed and to start making music.

1. Basic Contents

Your 003® family interface and Pro Tools LE® package comes with:

FireWire cable   Registration Information Card   Guides   Pro Tools LE Installer disc and additional discs

One 003 family interface:

003 Rack

003 Rack+

003

Tip: We encourage you to read the 003 Family Setup Guide after completing these Quick Setup instructions. It contains detailed information about setting up and configuring software and hardware for optimum performance.

2. Software First, then Hardware

You may want to connect your interface right away, but wait!

First, insert the Pro Tools LE Installer disc.

3. Get Installed with Windows

If you have Windows, here's how to install your Pro Tools LE software:

• Locate and double-click the Pro Tools LE Setup icon.

  It looks like this:

  [In Vista, if the User Account Control dialog appears, just click **Allow**.]

• Follow the on-screen instructions to proceed with installation.

• When prompted to select features to install, leave Pro Tools selected. You can also select optional items.
  (For more information, see your printed *Setup Guide*.)
  Tip: Click (highlight) the item's name to read its description.

• Click **Next** when done.

4. Get Installed with Windows (Continued)

• Click **Install**.

• When prompted, connect the FireWire cable to your computer and the other end of the cable to your interface.

• Plug in your power cable, then power up your interface.

• Click **OK**.

  [In Windows XP, a series of Software Installation dialogs about the driver not passing Windows Logo testing may appear. Click **Continue Anyway** on each one until they go away. If any other dialogs appear (such as the "Found New Hardware" dialog), leave them open and do not click on them. These dialogs will close on their own.]

  Hardware Wizard dialog   Software Installation dialog

  [In Windows Vista, a series of Windows Security dialogs may appear. Click **Install** on each one until they go away.]

• Follow the remaining on-screen instructions.

• When installation is complete, click **Finish** and restart your computer.

• Now you're ready to launch and authorize Pro Tools**.**
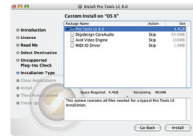
5. Get Installed on Your Mac

If you have a Mac, here's how to install your Pro Tools LE software:

• Locate and double-click the Pro Tools LE installer on the Installer disc. It looks like this:
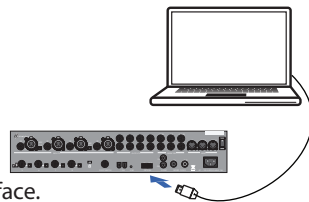
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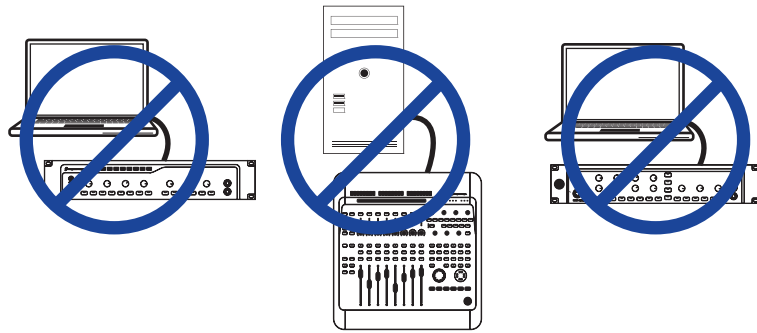 Tip: Click (highlight) the item's name to read its description.

• Follow the remaining on-screen instructions until you are prompted to connect your interface.

• Connect the FireWire cable to your computer and the other end of the cable to your interface. Plug in your interface and power it up.

• When installation is complete, click **Restart**.
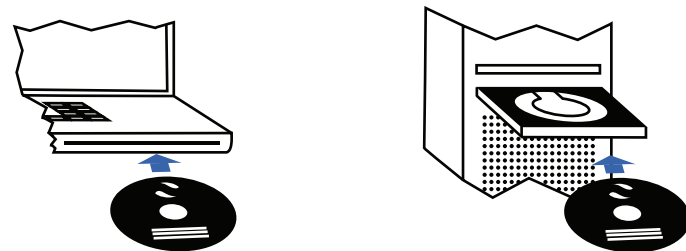
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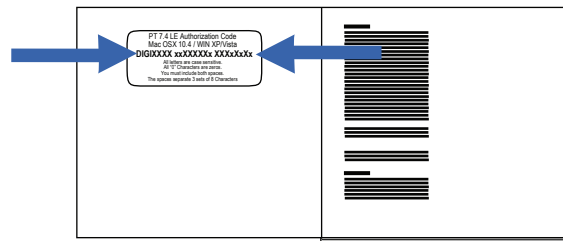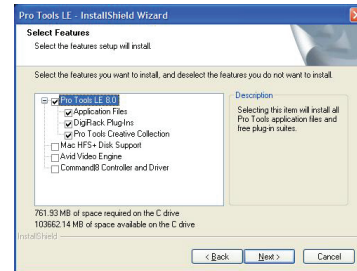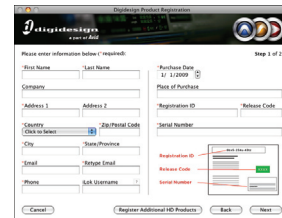
6. Launch and Authorize Pro Tools

When you launch Pro Tools LE software the first time, you'll be prompted to enter an Authorization Code. You must authorize Pro Tools before you can use it.

• Go to the inside front cover of the *Setup Guide* to locate your Authorization Code. (The code begins with the letters DIGI.)

  Tip: All letters are case sensitive. All "0" characters are zeros. Include spaces. (The spaces separate 3 sets of 8 characters.)

• Enter your code and click **Validate**.

• Pro Tools installation is complete. Now you can choose whether you want to create a new session or use a session template.

7. Time to Register

When you first launch Pro Tools, a registration window opens. Be sure to register! It's easy and worth the perks. Among the benefits, you get:

• Limited complimentary technical support

• Future upgrade offers

If you don't register when you first launch, you can register later by double-clicking the Digidesign Registration icon in the Pro Tools folder. It looks like this:
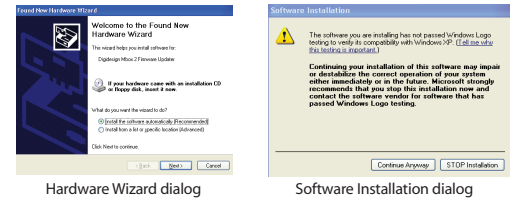
Third-Party Applications and Plug-ins

Your Pro Tools package also includes several free applications and plug-ins. Go to the Additional Files > 3rd Party Content folder on your Installer disc. If you purchased a Factory version of the 003 Family system, go to the Additional Files > Factory Bundles Installers folder on your Installer disc.

8. Record, Compose, Edit, and Make Music

Congratulations! You've just installed your new 003 family interface and Pro Tools LE software. Soon, you'll be making music with a system used by professionals around the world to create hit records.
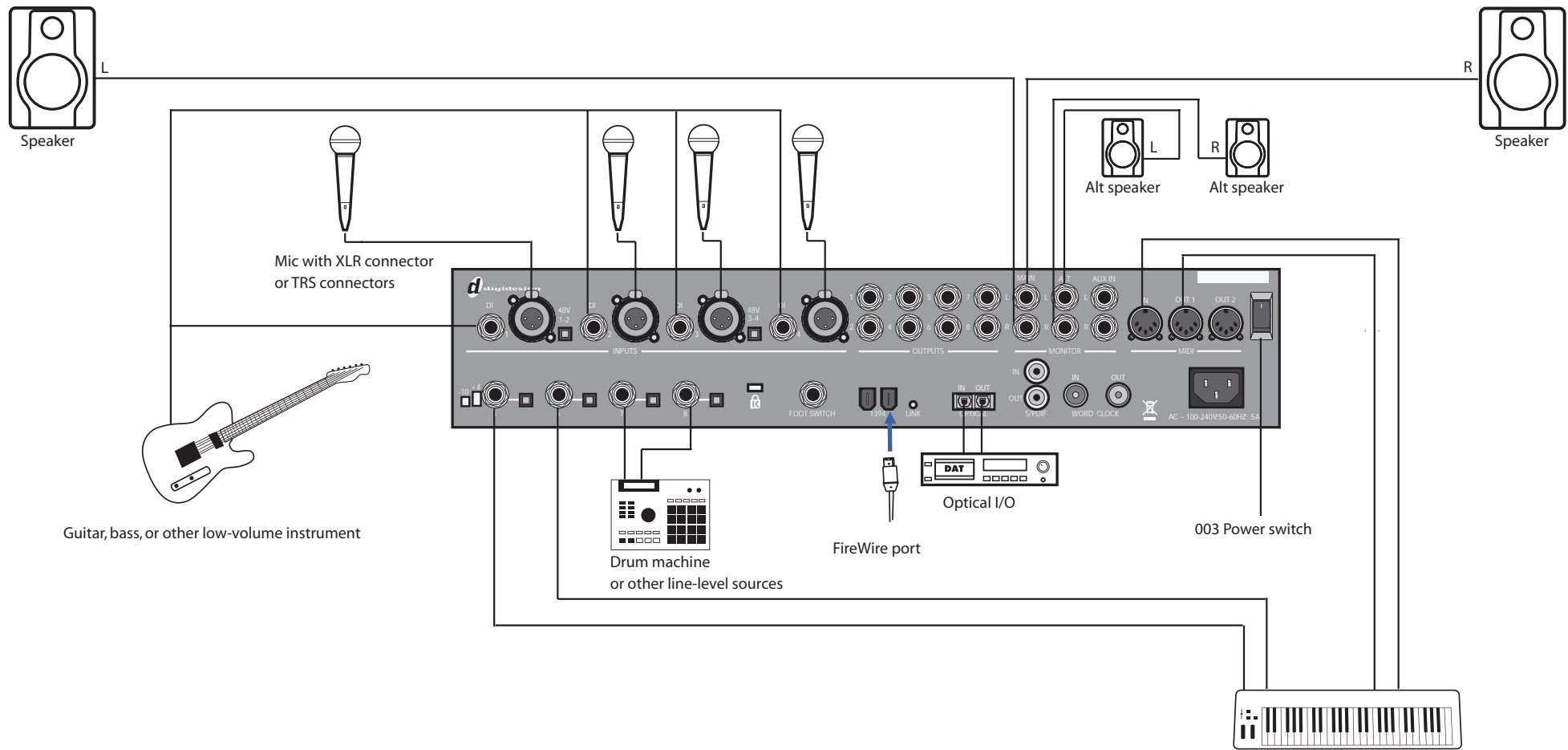
We strongly encourage you to read the following printed guides before you start using Pro Tools. They're included in your package:

• *Getting Started with Pro Tools LE and 003 Family* – Walks you through your first Pro Tools sessions and common music-making tasks.

• *003 Family Setup Guide* – Gives you detailed information about setting up and configuring software and hardware for optimum performance.

Once you get going, here are some helpful resources:

• Get useful information, help, and tips from the worldwide community of Pro Tools users at Digidesign® User Conference (DUC). Go to **http://duc.digidesign.com**.

• For questions about installation, visit Digidesign's online Answerbase. Go to **http://www.digidesign.com/answerbase**.

• If you can't find your answer on the DUC or Answerbase, contact Digidesign email support. Go to **http://www.digidesign.com/tsr**.

• Access lots of useful PDF versions of Pro Tools guides and Read Mes. They're installed automatically with Pro Tools.

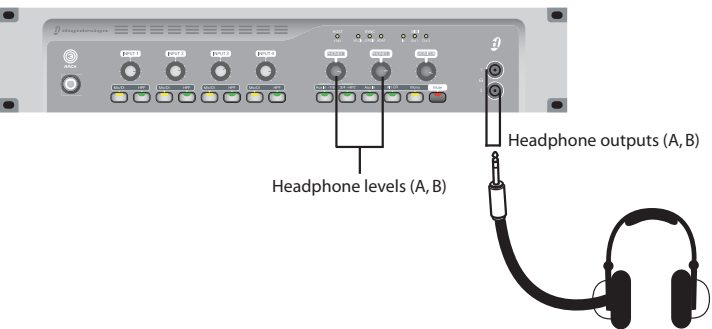## Main Back Panel Connections for the 003 and 003 Rack

Speaker

L

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Speaker

Mic with XLR connector
or TRS connectors

Alt speaker

Alt speaker

Guitar, bass, or other low-volume instrument

Drum machine
or other line-level sources

FireWire port

Optical I/O

003 Power switch

Connecting Headphones on the 003

Headphone Levels (A, B)

Headphone outputs (A, B)

Tip: In order to hear your Pro Tools session play back,
you must have headphones connected.
Pro Tools will not play through your computer's
sound card.

Connecting Headphones on the 003 Rack

Headphone outputs (A, B)

Headphone levels (A, B)

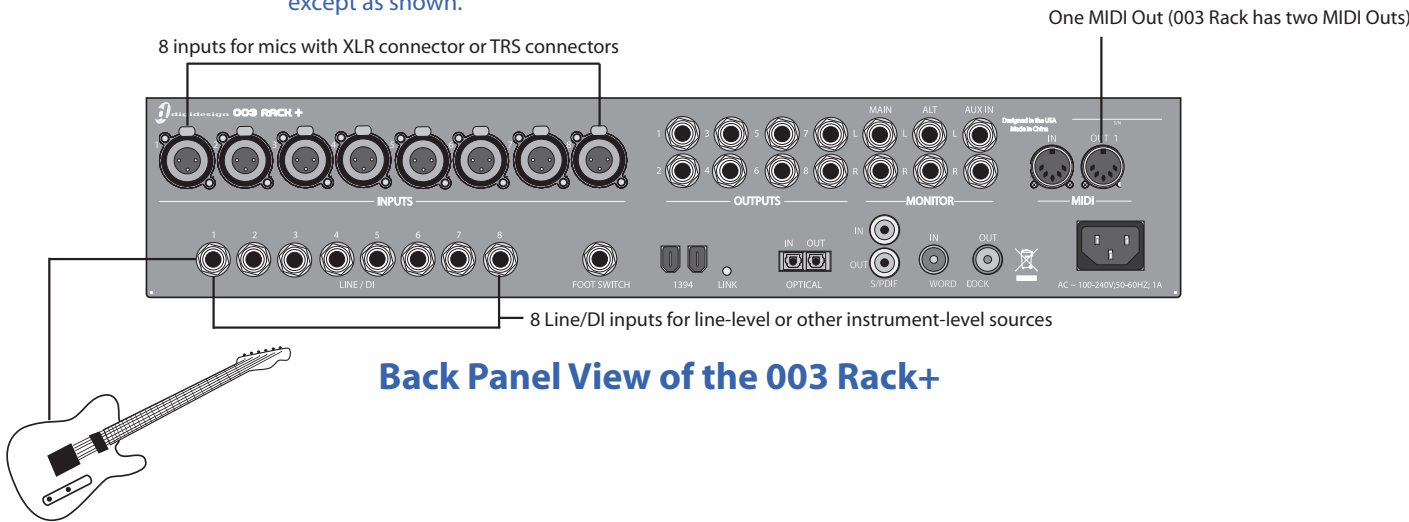## Back Panel Difference Between the 003 and 003 Rack

The 003's Power switch is on the back panel, while the 003 Rack's
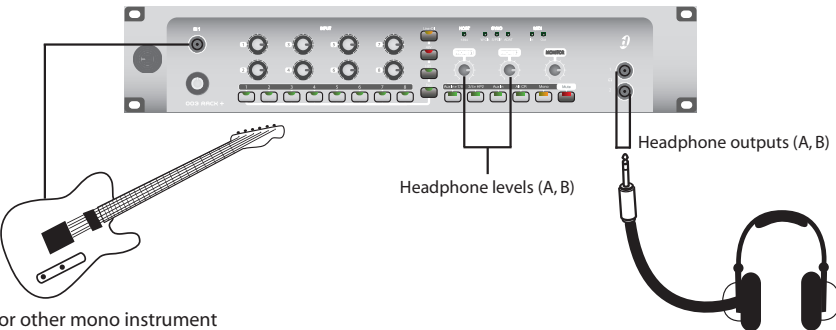Power switch is on the front panel.

003 Rack, Power switch on front panel

Back Panel Differences Between the 003 Rack and 003 Rack+

The 003 Rack and 003 Rack+ have identical back panel connectors,
except as shown.

8 inputs for mics with XLR connector or TRS connectors

One MIDI Out (003 Rack has two MIDI Outs)

8 Line/DI inputs for line-level or other instrument-level sources

Back Panel View of the 003 Rack+

Connecting Headphones on the 003 Rack+

Headphone outputs (A, B)

Headphone levels (A, B)

Guitar, bass, or other mono instrument
Tip: There's one front panel input connector, so you can
plug in an instrument or mic with a 1/4-inch connector.