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TOPIC -----

Does the Personal LaserWriter NTR have automatic emulation switching?

DISCUSSION -----

The Personal LaserWriter NTR does not have automatic emulation switching.

Some people might confuse the port arbitration function with emulation switching. Personal LaserWriter NTR, like the LaserWriter IIx and LaserWriter IIg, can accept jobs from all three ports at the same time, and process each job in turn. It can't sense a specific job's data stream, and switch from PostScript to Hewlett Packard PLC 4 emulation, or from HP PLC 4 to PostScript. To move from PostScript to HP PLC 4 emulation on a specific port, you must download a PostScript program or change the printer's switch setting (you can also use the utility).

You can connect to a Personal LaserWriter NTR to configure one port for PostScript and another for HP PLC 4. That means the printer, via automatic port arbitration, alternately processes PLC and PostScript jobs, though not through one individual port.

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