Subject: Cords for basic speaker? (pic)
Posted by speaker noob on Wed, 21 Jan 2009 05:26:41 GMT
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Hi, I've built a really basic set of speakers in my speaker building class couple years ago and I decided to hook it up to my laptop after finding it in a closet. Now, the back of the speaker looks like the picture. Not sure which cords would connect from that to usb or some kind of a way to play music from a laptop. It's much too embarrassing to know that I've built this..So if anyone can kindly show what kind or a link of cords where I can get'em, it would be very much appreciated.Thanks!
 http://img.photobucket.com/albums/v323/acexnyc/P090120001.jpg

Subject: Re: Cords for basic speaker? (pic)
Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 21 Jan 2009 18:49:14 GMT
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Your laptop computer might not have enough power to drive your speakers.The sound output comes through a 1/8" jack.  You'll need to purchase a cord with 1/8" jack on one end and two RCA jacks on the other.  Connect that to an amplifier preamp input and connect your speakers to the amp's output.If you want to try and see if the laptop sound card can drive the speakers directly, expose the wires on your 1/8" jack cord to connect your speakers.  It will have a red wire, a black wire and a shield.  The red wire goes to the (+) post on your right speaker, the black one goes to the (+) post on your left speaker and the shield goes to the (-) post on both speakers.

Subject: Re: Cords for basic speaker? (pic)
Posted by Audio Equipment Speakers on Thu, 19 Feb 2009 18:24:13 GMT
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Hmmm...not sure if you can find a wire that will connect to a usb cord and will attach to this type of speaker set up.  I'm sure one exists out there but can't think of anyplace to start to look.  I would try your local audio store and ask around.
 http://www.audio-equipment-speakers.com