

User Manual

(USB-0401)



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ABOUT THIS MANUAL

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SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Always read the safety instructions carefully:

- Keep this User's Manual for future reference
- Keep this equipment away from humidity
- If any of the following situation arises, get the equipment checked by a service technician:
 - The equipment has been exposed to moisture.
 - The equipment has been dropped and damaged.
 - The equipment has obvious sign of breakage.
 - The equipment has not been working well or you cannot get it to work according to the User's Manual.

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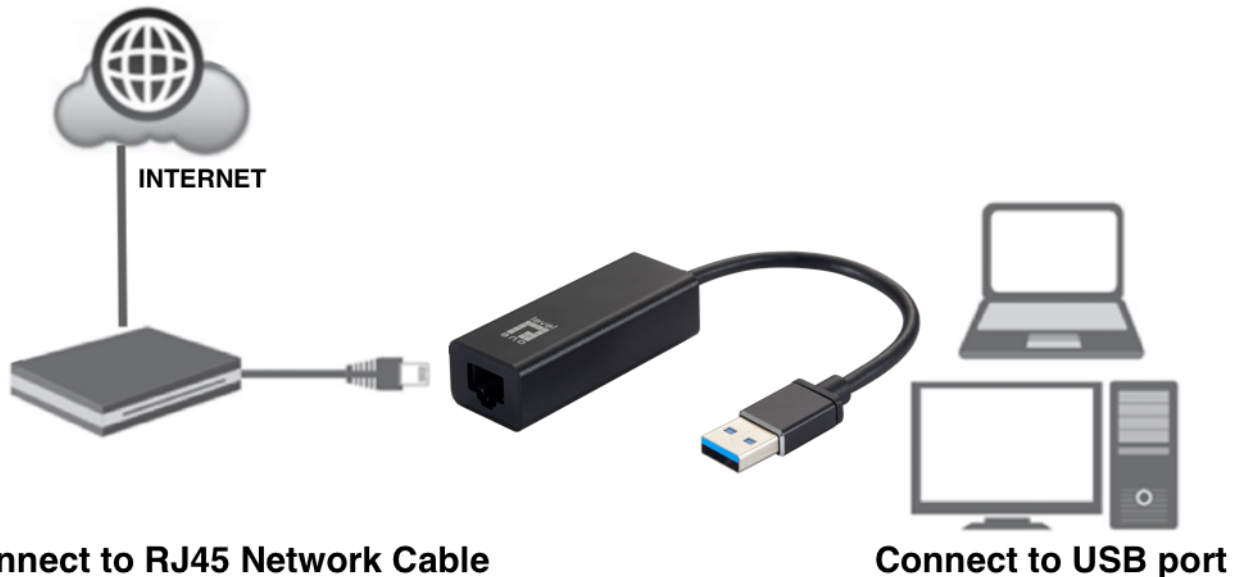
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1. Introduction

The LevelOne USB-0401 Gigabit USB Network Adapter allows you to connect to the internet easily through the built-in USB port on your laptop. This is an ideal solution for MacBook or other Windows computers that may have wireless built-in but don't come with an Ethernet port. Sometimes you need to physically connect to a network cable to help transfer files or access secure information. The USB-0401 easily does the job, all through your USB port.

The USB-0401 is USB 2.0 and 3.0 compliant. It also follows the Ethernet standards set by the IEEE 802.3/3u and 802.3ab, allowing you to take advantage of Gigabit Ethernet speeds of up to 1000Mbps. This provides a strong backbone for any high-speed broadband connection to the internet as well as fast speeds for the Local Area Network file transfers.

This makes the USB-0401 the best choice for reliability, efficiency and standard compliance.



Key Feature

- 10/100/1000Mbps wire speed transmission and reception
- Minimize carbon footprint with advanced energy efficient technology (IEEE 802.3az)
- 4K jumbo frames to increase data transfer rates
- Built-in Wake-on-LAN feature to startup computers remotely
- Supports IPv4/IPv6 network operation
- No additional power supply required
- Multi-platform support: Windows, Mac OS

Package Contents

Before installation, please check the items of the package. The package should contain the following items:

- Gigabit USB Network Adapter x1
- Resource CD x1
- Quick Installation Guide x1

System Requirements

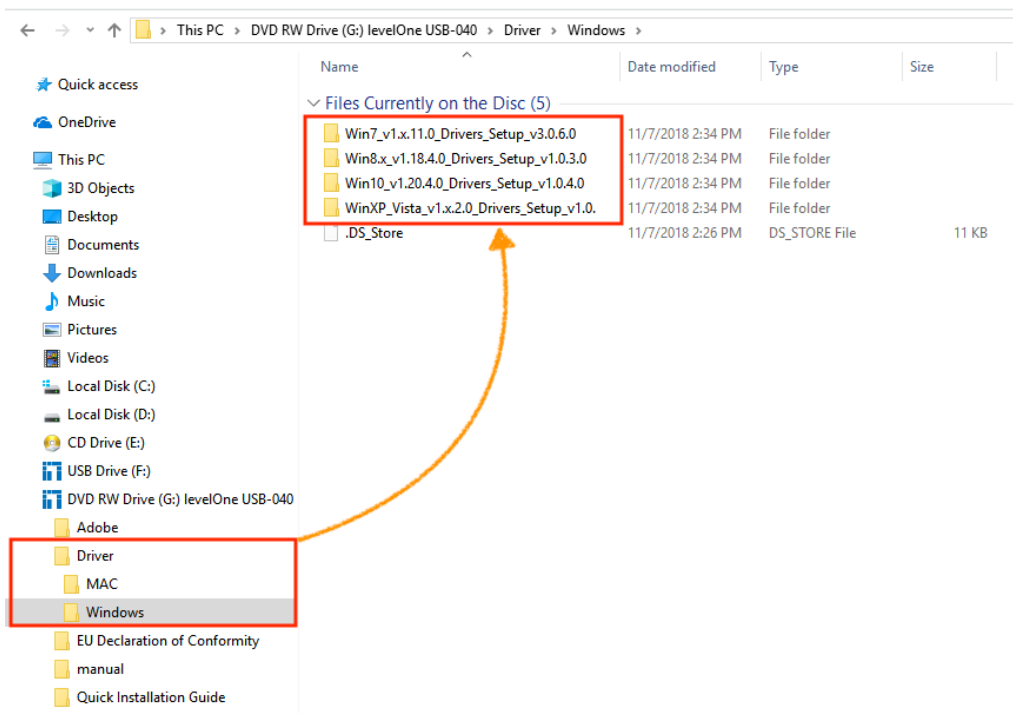
- One available USB port
- Windows® XP, Windows® Vista, Windows® 7, Windows® 8, Windows® 10
- Mac OS 10.6 /7/8/9/10/11/12/13/14

2. Installation

On Windows[®] Operating Systems

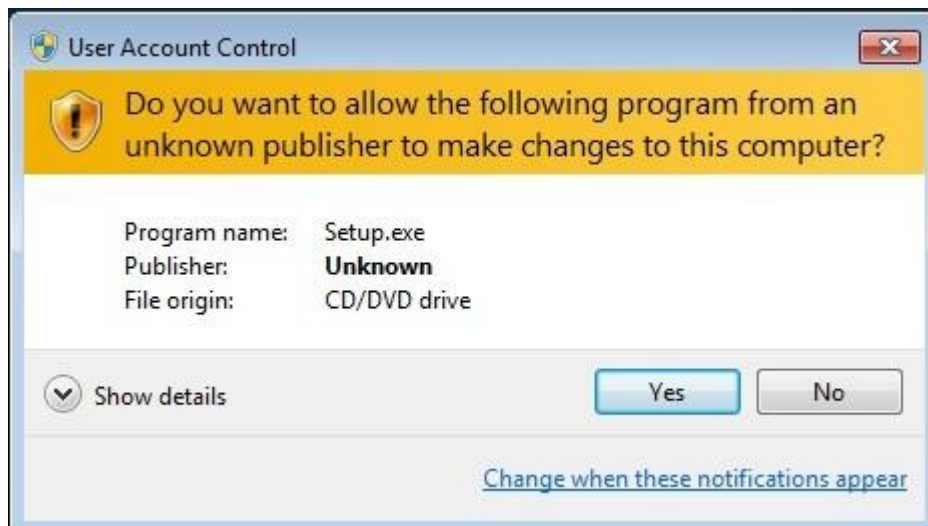
NOTE: DO NOT connect the Ethernet Adapter to your computer before you install the provided driver.

1. Insert the provided Driver CD into your disc drive. Please locate and double-click the **setup.exe** file under **x:\Driver\Windows** (where x is your disc drive letter)



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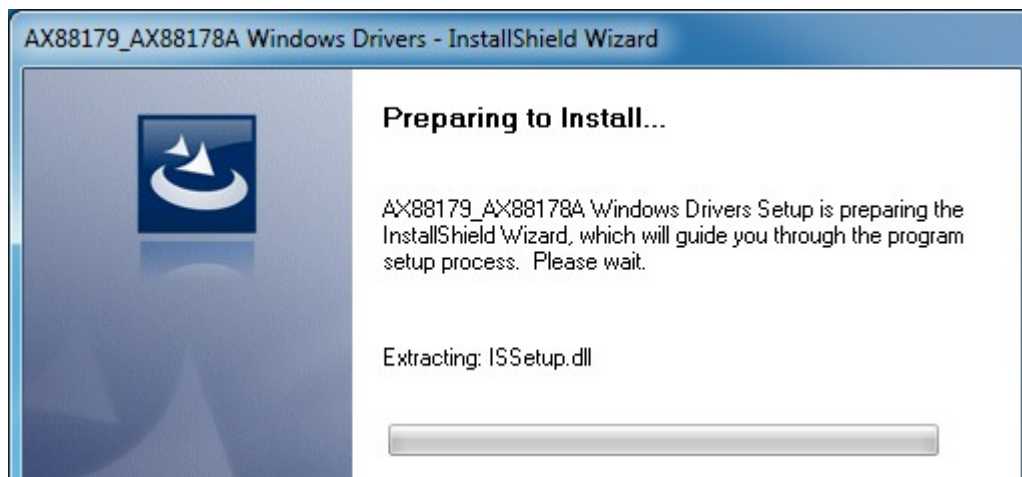
It will encounter a **User Account Control** dialog box when attempting to install a program, please click **Yes** to start the installation.



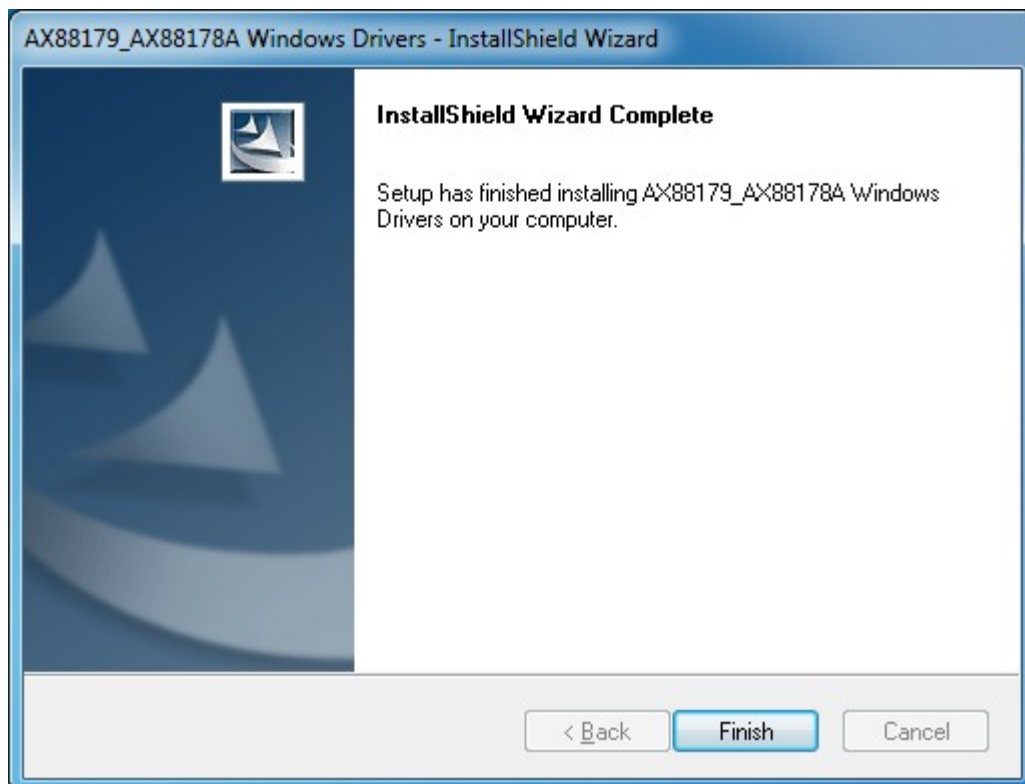
2. Select the language then Click on **OK** to continue this installation.



3. Wait a while for the program to install the driver.

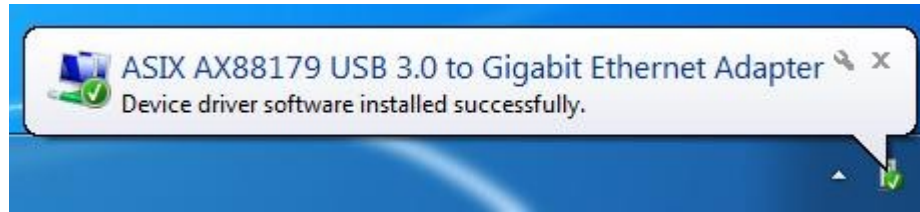


4. When the installation is done, click **Finish**.



Hardware installation

1. Connect the Gigabit Network adapters USB end to a free USB port of your computer. Then a pop-up message will appear in the notification area indicating the installation is complete.



* Actual strings depend on your operation system. These screen shots are from Windows[®]7 and might vary slightly for each operation system.

2. Connect an Ethernet cable to the Ethernet port on the adapter.
3. Connect the other end of the Ethernet cable to your network hub, switch or router.

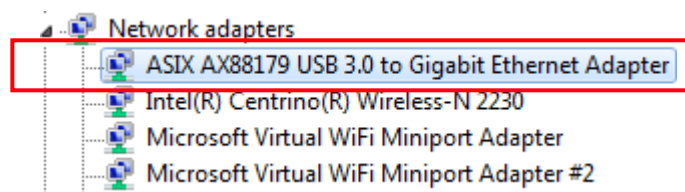
Verifying the Installation

on Windows[®] Operating Systems

Once you finish the installation, you can open Windows[®] **Device Manager** to verify if your Ethernet Adapter is properly installed. To access the **Device Manager**:

- On Windows[®] 7: Right-click **Computer** on the desktop and click **System Properties>Device Manager**
- On Windows[®] XP: Right-click **My Computer** on the desktop and click **Properties > (Hardware) > Device Manager**.

In the **Network adapters** group, an item named **ASIX AX88179 USB3.0 to Gigabit Network Adapter** should be displayed.



If there is a question or exclamation mark next to that item, then the driver is not properly installed. Please delete the item, select the **Delete the driver software for this device** option (if provided), unplug the adapter from your computer and then repeat the installation steps.

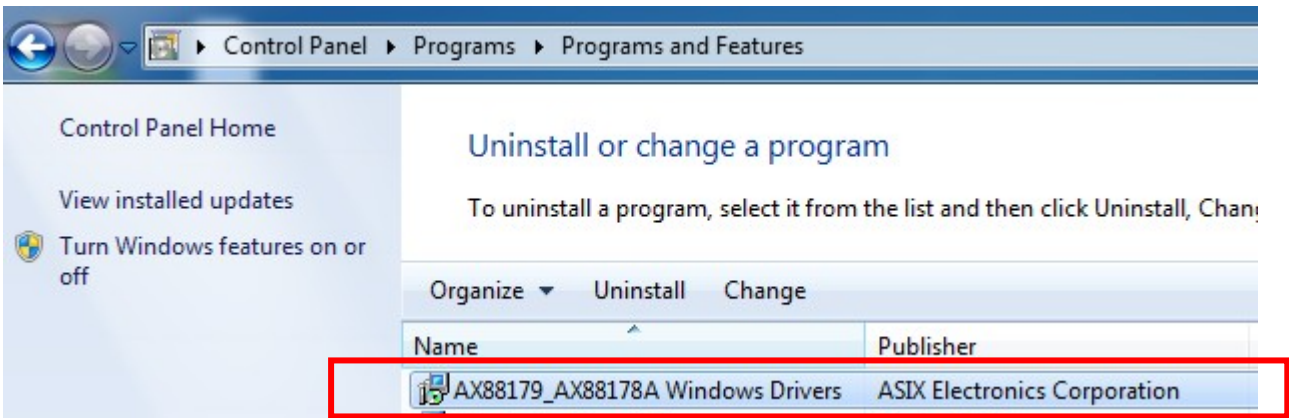
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Uninstalling the Driver

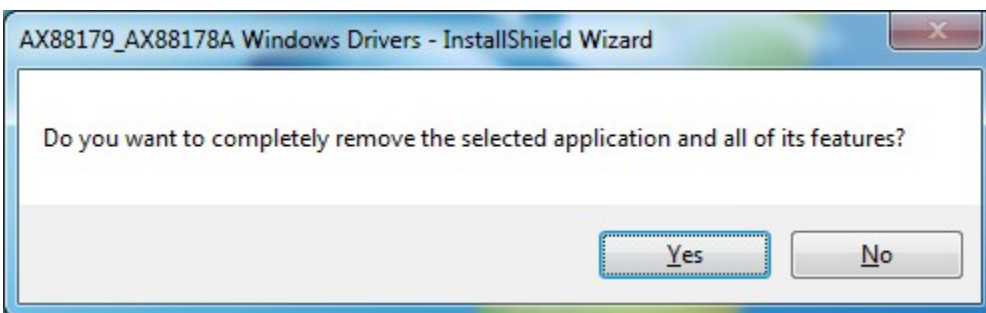
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Please take these steps to uninstall Driver:

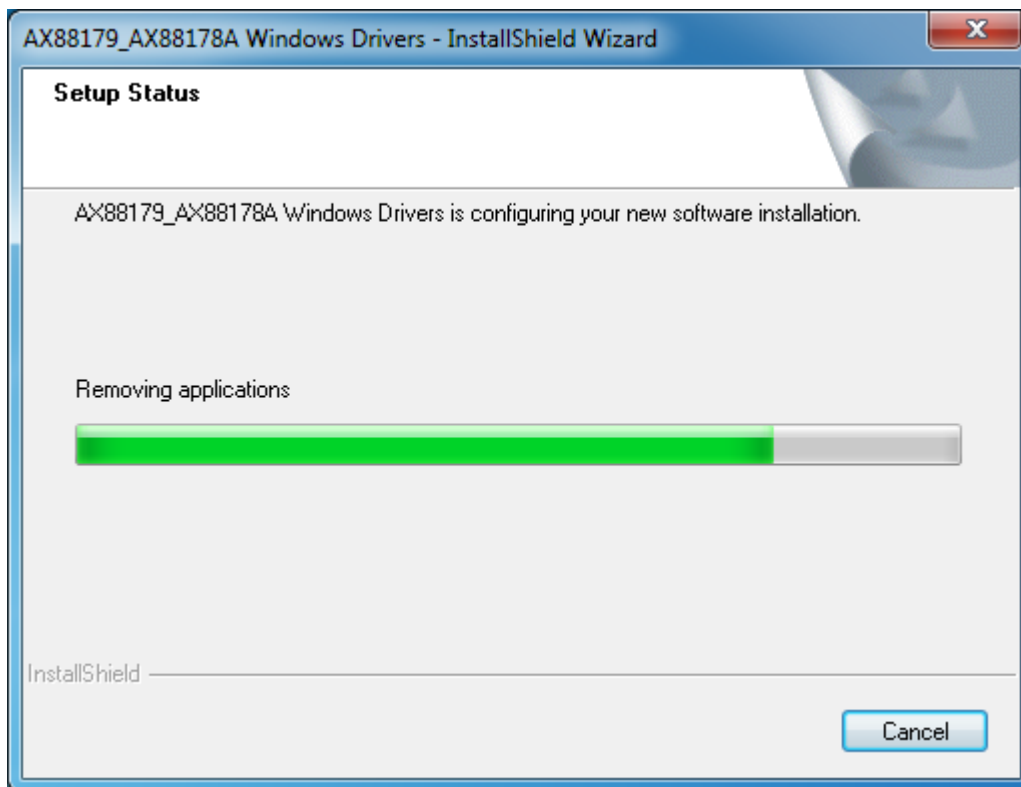
1. Open the **Control Panel, Programs and Features** and double-click **Uninstall a Program** on Windows 7 or **Add or Remove Programs** on XP.
2. Select **AX88179_AX88178A Windows Driver** and click **Uninstall**



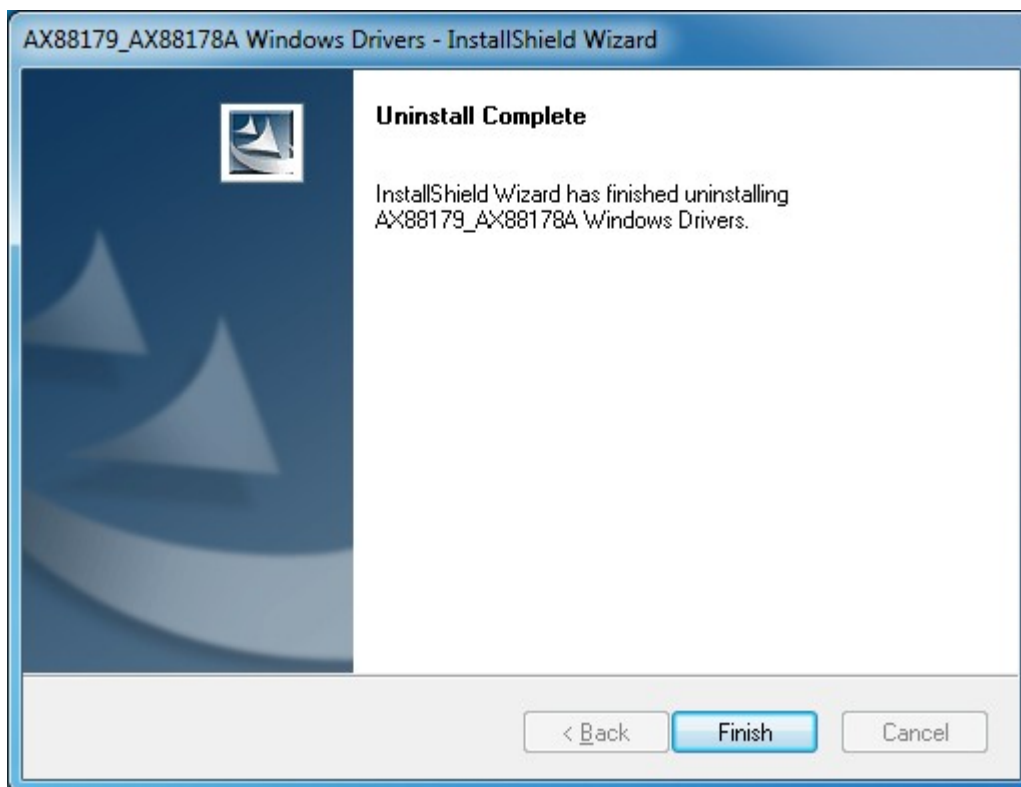
3. Select **[Yes]** to continue the uninstall process.



- The uninstall process starts automatically.

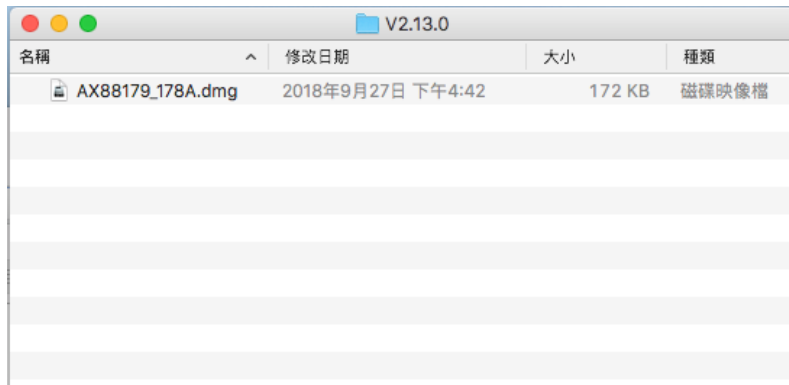


- Click **Finish** to complete uninstalls process.

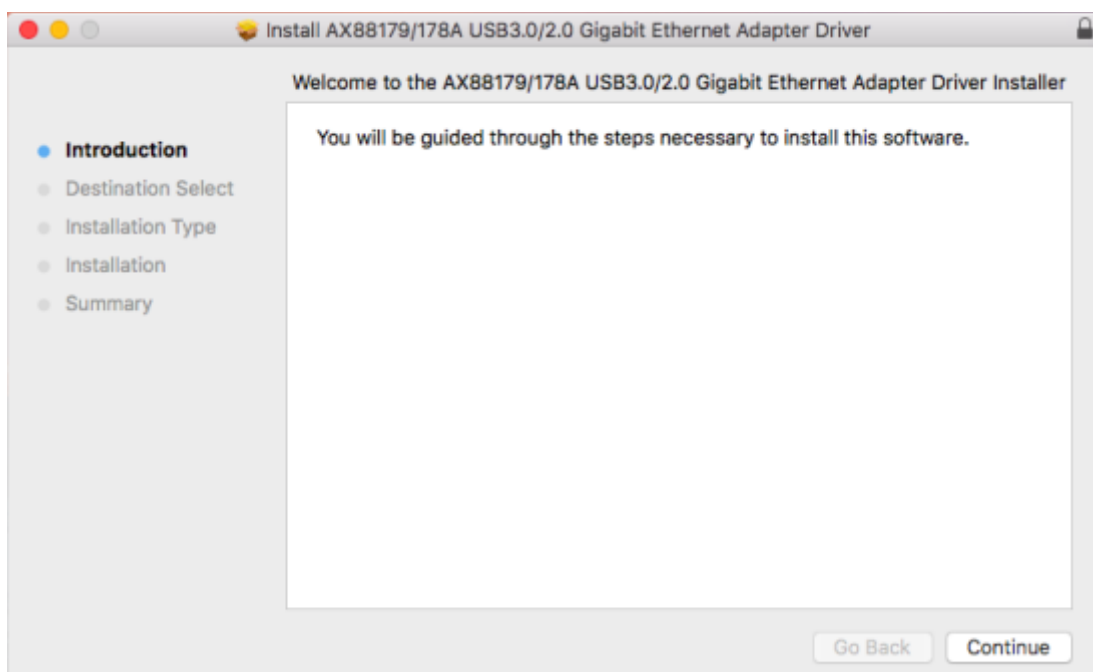
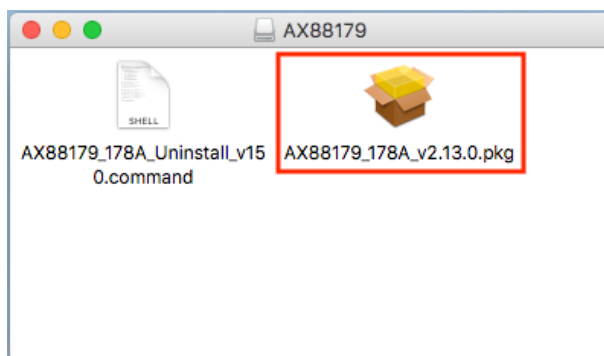


On Mac OS Operating Systems

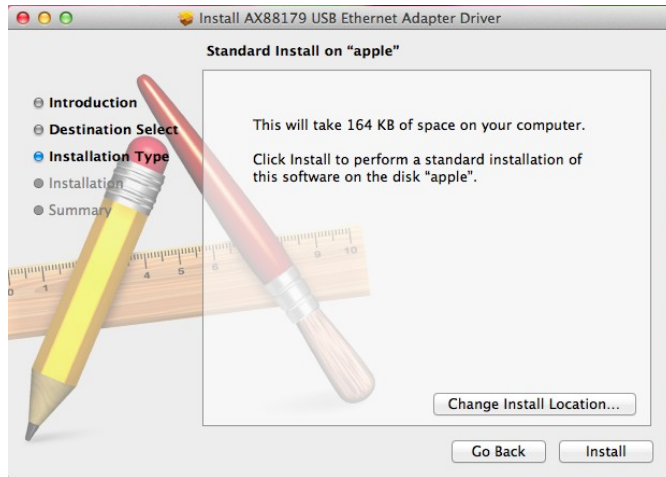
1. Insert the provided driver CD into your CD-ROM drive. Double-click the CD and navigate to the directory of `\Driver\Mac\V2.13.0\`
2. Click the “**AX88179_178A.dmg**”, the **AX88179** virtual disk will be appeared on the Desktop of your Mac OS system. (This “AX88179” virtual disk will be auto-removed after rebooting macOS system.)



3. Click the “**AX88179_178A_vx.x.x.pkg**” (“x.x.x” is driver installer revision number), the following driver setup dialog will appear. Click the **Continue** button to start the installation operation and follow the instructions to continue the installation.



4. Click the **Install** button to continue the installation operation.



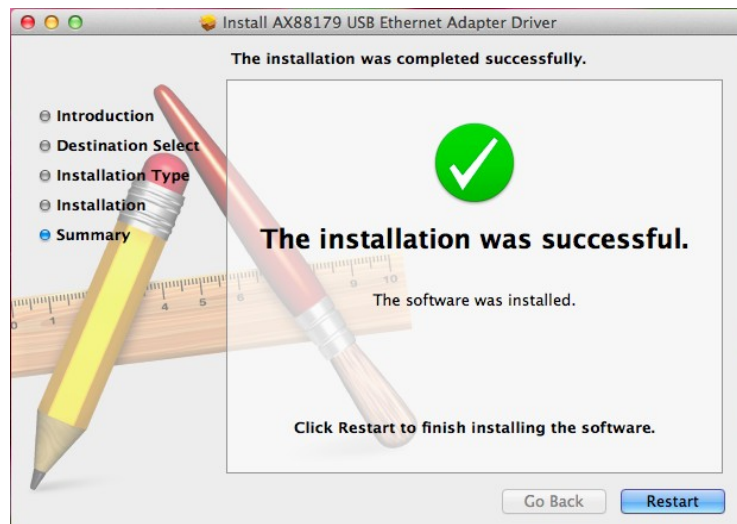
5. You might need to enter your user/password during the driver installation.



6. Click the [Continue Installation] button to continue the installation operation.

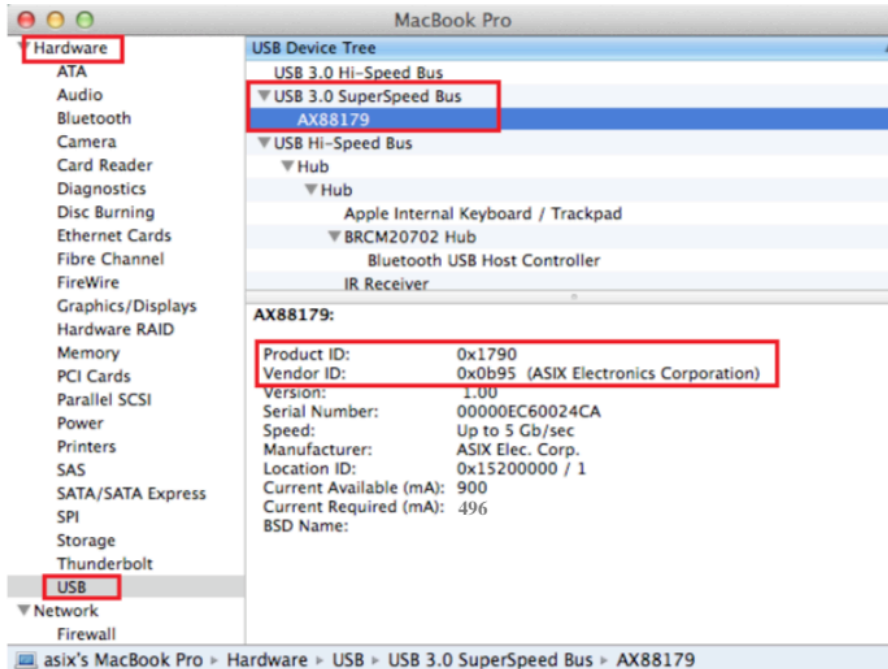


7. Click the **[Restart]** button to restart Mac OS system to take effect the revised driver installation. Now the installation is complete. You can connect the adapter to a network device by an Ethernet cable:



- 8. After booting up your macOS system, plug your AX88179/AX88178A USB onto the USB port of your macOS system and refer to the following information to double check if your USB had been identified properly by macOS system and the AX88179/AX88178A macOS driver was installed correctly or not.

(1) You can check the Vendor/Product ID information of your USB from here.



- 9. After booting up your Mac OS system, plug USB onto the USB port of your Mac OS system and there is a new Ethernet network interface is available.

