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This manual is written for professional system integrators and PC technicians. It provides information for the installation and use of the SC216 2U chassis. Installation and maintenance should be performed by experienced technicians only.

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Manual Organization

Chapter 1 Introduction
The first chapter covers the primary components included with this chassis and describes the main features of the SC216 chassis. This chapter also includes contact information.

Chapter 2 Warning Statements for AC Systems
This chapter lists warnings, precautions, and system safety. You should thoroughly familiarize yourself with this chapter for a general overview of safety precautions that should be followed before installing and servicing this chassis.

Chapter 3 Chassis Components
Refer here for details on this chassis model including the fans, hard drives, airflow shields, and other components.

Chapter 4 System Interface
Refer to this chapter for details on the system interface, which includes the functions and information provided by the control panel on the chassis as well as other LEDs located throughout the system.

Chapter 5 Chassis Setup and Maintenance
This chapter provides detailed information on this chassis. You should follow the procedures given in this chapter when installing, removing, or reconfiguring your chassis.

Chapter 6 Rack Installation
Refer to this chapter for detailed information on chassis rack installation. You should follow the procedures given in this chapter when installing, removing or reconfiguring your chassis into a rack environment.

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Introduction

1-1 Overview

Supermicro's SC216 maximizes storage capacity in a 2U form factor by offering twenty-four hot-swappable 2.5" SAS/SATA hard drive bays for applications requiring extra storage. The chassis design optimizes every aspect of interior space without compromising superior cooling capabilities. The chassis is equipped with a redundant, efficient power supply for outstanding power savings, with specially designed optimized cooling, and seven low-profile or UIO solution expansion slots for superior networking options. Quick release, tool-less slide rails are available for quick installation.

SC216E1 and SC216E2 chassis models support only SATA, SATA2 and SAS1 hard drives. The maximum capacity supported by each of these drives is 2TB. The SC216E1 and SC216E2 models do not support JBOD configurations.

Note: A complete list of safety warnings is provided on the Supermicro web site at www.supermicro.com.

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*Optional with SC216B models: two additional 2.5" drives that mount in the rear of the chassis.

** End of Life

Key: FH = Full-height, half-length, LP = Low-profile
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1-3 Returning Merchandise for Service

A receipt or copy of your invoice marked with the date of purchase is required before any warranty service will be rendered. You can obtain service by calling your vendor for a Returned Merchandise Authorization (RMA) number. When returning to the manufacturer, the RMA number should be prominently displayed on the outside of the shipping carton, and mailed prepaid or hand-carried. Shipping and handling charges will be applied for all orders that must be mailed when service is complete.

For faster service, RMA authorizations may be requested online (http://www.supermicro.com/support/rma/).

Whenever possible, repack the chassis in the original Supermicro carton, using the original packaging material. If these are no longer available, be sure to pack the chassis securely, using packaging material to surround the chassis so that it does not shift within the carton and become damaged during shipping.

This warranty only covers normal consumer use and does not cover damages incurred in shipping or from failure due to the alteration, misuse, abuse or improper maintenance of products.

During the warranty period, contact your distributor first for any product problems.
Chapter 2

Standardized Warning Statements for AC Systems

2-1 About Standardized Warning Statements

The following statements are industry standard warnings, provided to warn the user of situations which have the potential for bodily injury. Should you have questions or experience difficulty, contact Supermicro's Technical Support department for assistance. Only certified technicians should attempt to install or configure components.

Read this appendix in its entirety before installing or configuring components in the Supermicro chassis.

These warnings may also be found on our web site at http://www.supermicro.com/about/policies/safety_information.cfm.

Warning Definition

Warning!

This warning symbol means danger. You are in a situation that could cause bodily injury. Before you work on any equipment, be aware of the hazards involved with electrical circuitry and be familiar with standard practices for preventing accidents.

警告の定義

此警告符号代表危险。您正处于可能受到重傷的工作环境中。在您使用任何設備之前，必須 充分注意到觸 電的危 険，並熟 究掌握防止事故發生的標準工作程序。請依 據每 警告尾的声明号找到此的 安全性警告 明的翻 譯文本。
Warnung

WICHTige SICHERHEitshinweise


BEWAHREN SIE DIESE HINWEISE GUT AUF.

INSTRUCCIONES IMPORTANTES DE SEGURIDAD

Este símbolo de aviso indica peligro. Existe riesgo para su integridad física. Antes de manipular cualquier equipo, considere los riesgos de la corriente eléctrica y familiarícese con los procedimientos estándar de prevención de accidentes. Al final de cada advertencia encontrará el número que le ayudará a encontrar el texto traducido en el apartado de traducciones que acompaña a este dispositivo.

GUARDE ESTAS INSTRUCCIONES.

IMPORTANTES INFORMATIONS DE SÉCURITÉ

Ce symbole d’avertissement indique un danger. Vous vous trouverez dans une situation pouvant entraîner des blessures ou des dommages corporels. Avant de travailler sur un équipement, soyez conscient des dangers liés aux circuits électriques et familiarisez-vous avec les procédures couramment utilisées pour éviter les accidents. Pour prendre connaissance des traductions des avertissements figurant dans les consignes de sécurité traduites qui accompagnent cet appareil, référez-vous au numéro de l’instruction situé à la fin de chaque avertissement.

CONSERVEZ CES INFORMATIONS.
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안전을 위한 주의사항

경고!

이 경고 기호는 위험이 있음을 알려 줍니다. 작업자의 신체에 부상을 야기 할 수 있는 상태에 있게 됩니다. 모든 장비에 대한 작업을 수행하기 전에 전기회로와 관련된 위험요소들을 확인하시고 사전에 사고를 방지할 수 있도록 표준 작업절차를 준수해 주시기 바랍니다.

해당 번역문을 찾기 위해 각 경고의 마지막 부분에 제공된 경고문 번호를 참조하십시오

BELANGRIJKE VEILIGHEIDSINSTRUCTIES

Dit waarschuwings symbool betekent gevaar. U verkeert in een situatie die lichamelijk letsel kan veroorzaken. Voordat u aan enige apparatuur gaat werken, dient u zich bewust te zijn van de bij een elektrische installatie betrokken risico's en dient u op de hoogte te zijn van de standaard procedures om ongelukken te voorkomen. Gebruik de nummers aan het eind van elke waarschuwing om deze te herleiden naar de desbetreffende locatie.

BEWAAR DEZE INSTRUCTIES
Installation Instructions

**Warning!**
Read the installation instructions before connecting the system to the power source.

Warning
Vor dem Anschließen des Systems an die Stromquelle die Installationsanweisungen lesen.

¡Advertencia!
Lea las instrucciones de instalación antes de conectar el sistema a la red de alimentación.

Attention
Avant de brancher le système sur la source d'alimentation, consulter les directives d'installation.

설치수행서
시스템을 전원에 연결하기 전에 설치 안내를 읽어주세요.

Waarschuwing
Raadpleeg de installatie-instructies voordat u het systeem op de voedingsbron aansluit.
Circuit Breaker

Warning!
This product relies on the building’s installation for short-circuit (overcurrent) protection. Ensure that the protective device is rated not greater than: 250 V, 20 A.

サーキット・ブレーカー

この製品は、短絡（過電流）保護装置がある建物での設置を前提としています。

保護装置の定格が250V、20Aを超えないことを確認下さい。

Warning

¡Advertencia!
Este equipo utiliza el sistema de protección contra cortocircuitos (o sobrecorrientes) del edificio. Asegúrese de que el dispositivo de protección no sea superior a: 250 V, 20 A.

Attention
Pour ce qui est de la protection contre les courts-circuits (surtension), ce produit dépend de l’installation électrique du local. Vérifiez que le courant nominal du dispositif de protection n’est pas supérieur à :250 V, 20 A.

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Notice
This product is designed to be used in buildings with a short-circuit protection system. Ensure that the protective device is rated not greater than: 250 V, 20 A.
Power Disconnection Warning

Warning!

The system must be disconnected from all sources of power and the power cord removed from the power supply module(s) before accessing the chassis interior to install or remove system components.

警告

在你打开机箱并安装或移除内部器件前，必须将系统完全断电，并移除电源线。

Warning

Das System muss von allen Quellen der Energie und vom Netzanschlusskabel getrennt sein, das von den Spg. Versorgungsmodulen entfernt wird, bevor es auf den Chassisminnenraum zurückgreift, um Systemsbestandteile anzubringen oder zu entfernen.
¡Advertencia!
El sistema debe ser disconnected de todas las fuentes de energía y del cable eléctrico quitado de los módulos de fuente de alimentación antes de tener acceso al interior del chasis para instalar o para quitar componentes de sistema.

Attention
Le système doit être débranché de toutes les sources de puissance ainsi que de son cordon d'alimentation secteur avant d'accéder à l'intérieur du chassis pour installer ou enlever des composants de système.

אזהרה!
יש להטכס את המועכרות מכל מקרות החשמל ויש לחתר את בבל החשמלי מחשב
לפני גישה לחלקים הסגורים של המארז לשאר החדרה ואלה רכיבים.

ยื่งนั้นควรมีการยับยั้งการใช้งานเครื่องทุกที่ต่อผลลัพธ์หรือสถานการณ์ที่ต้องการและodu ด้วยสถานที่ที่คุณต้องการอยู่อย่างที่ใช้งาน

경고!
시스템에 부품들을 장착하거나 제거하기 위해서는 세시 내부에 접근하기 전에 반드시 전원 공급장치로부터 연결되어있는 모든 전원과 전기코드를 분리해주어야 합니다.

Waarschuwing
Voordat u toegang neemt tot het binnenwerk van de behuizing voor het installeren of verwijderen van systeem onderdelen, dient u alle spanningsbronnen en alle stroomkabels aangesloten op de voeding(en) van de behuizing te verwijderen.
Equipment Installation

Warning!
Only trained and qualified personnel should be allowed to install, replace, or service this equipment.

機器の設置
トレーニングを受け認定された人だけがこの装置の設置、交換、またはサービスを許可されています。

警告
只有经过受训且具资格人员才可安装、更换与维修此设备。

Warnung
Das Installieren, Ersetzen oder Bedienen dieser Ausrüstung sollte nur geschultem, qualifiziertem Personal gestattet werden.

¡Advertencia!
Solamente el personal calificado debe instalar, reemplazar o utilizar este equipo.

Attention
Il est vivement recommandé de confier l'installation, le remplacement et la maintenance de ces équipements à des personnels qualifiés et expérimentés.

אזהרה!
_members בלבד ו עושה התוכן, להתחברATE והazines והלאה שישמור על כלו התוכן. يجب أن يسمح فقط للموظفين المؤهلين والمدربين لتركيب واستبدال أو خدمة هذا الجهاز.

경고!
훈련을 받고 공인된 기술자만이 이 장비의 설치, 교체 또는 서비스를 수행할 수 있습니다.
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Restricted Area

Warning!
This unit is intended for installation in restricted access areas. A restricted access area can be accessed only through the use of a special tool, lock and key, or other means of security. (This warning does not apply to workstations).

警告
此部件安在限制出的所，限制出的所指只能通过使用特殊工具、和匙或其他安全手段出的所。

Warnung
Diese Einheit ist zur Installation in Bereichen mit beschränktem Zutritt vorgesehen. Der Zutritt zu derartigen Bereichen ist nur mit einem Spezialwerkzeug, Schloss und Schlüssel oder einer sonstigen Sicherheitsvorkehrung möglich.

¡Advertencia!
Esta unidad ha sido diseñada para instalación en áreas de acceso restringido. Sólo puede obtenerse acceso a una de estas áreas mediante la utilización de una herramienta especial, cerradura con llave u otro medio de seguridad.

Attention
Cet appareil doit être installée dans des zones d'accès réservés. L'accès à une zone d'accès rézervé n'est possible qu'en utilisant un outil spécial, un mécanisme de verrouillage et une clé, ou tout autre moyen de sécurité.
Battery Handling

Warning!

There is the danger of explosion if the battery is replaced incorrectly. Replace the battery only with the same or equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer. Dispose of used batteries according to the manufacturer's instructions.

警告

電池更換不當會有爆炸危険。請使用製造商建議之相同或功能相當的電池更換原有電池。請按照製造商的說明指示處理廢棄舊電池。
Warnung
Bei Einsetzen einer falschen Batterie besteht Explosionsgefahr. Ersetzen Sie die Batterie nur durch den gleichen oder vom Hersteller empfohlenen Batterietyp.
Entsorgen Sie die benutzten Batterien nach den Anweisungen des Herstellers.

Attention
Danger d’explosion si la pile n’est pas remplacée correctement. Ne la remplacer que par une pile de type semblable ou équivalent, recommandée par le fabricant.
Jeter les piles usagées conformément aux instructions du fabricant.

¡Advertencia!
Existe peligro de explosión si la batería se reemplaza de manera incorrecta. Reemplazar la batería exclusivamente con el mismo tipo o el equivalente recomendado por el fabricante. Desechar las baterías gastadas según las instrucciones del fabricante.

경고!
배터리가 올바르게 교체되지 않으면 폭발의 위험이 있습니다. 기존 배터리와 동일하거나 제조사에서 권장하는 동등한 종류의 배터리로만 교체해야 합니다. 제조사의 안내에 따라 사용된 배터리를 처리하여 주십시오.

Waarschuwing
Er is ontploffingsgevaar indien de batterij verkeerd vervangen wordt. Vervang de batterij slechts met hetzelfde of een equivalent type die door de fabrikant aanbevolen wordt. Gebruikte batterijen dienen overeenkomstig fabrieksvoorschriften afgevoerd te worden.
Redundant Power Supplies

Warning!
This unit might have more than one power supply connection. All connections must be removed to de-energize the unit.

Warnung
Dieses Gerät kann mehr als eine Stromzufuhr haben. Um sicherzustellen, dass der Einheit kein Strom zugeführt wird, müssen alle Verbindungen entfernt werden.

¡Advertencia!
Puede que esta unidad tenga más de una conexión para fuentes de alimentación. Para cortar por completo el suministro de energía, deben desconectarse todas las conexiones.

Attention
Cette unité peut avoir plus d’une connexion d’alimentation. Pour supprimer toute tension et tout courant électrique de l’unité, toutes les connexions d’alimentation doivent être débranchées.
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Backplane Voltage

Warning!
Hazardous voltage or energy is present on the backplane when the system is operating. Use caution when servicing.

¡Advertencia!
Cuando el sistema está en funcionamiento, el voltaje del plano trasero es peligroso. Tenga cuidado cuando lo revise.

Attention
Lorsque le système est en fonctionnement, des tensions électriques circulent sur le fond de panier. Prendre des précautions lors de la maintenance.

Warning

경고!
이 장치에는 한 개 이상의 전원 공급 단자가 연결되어 있을 수 있습니다. 이 장치에 전원을 차단하기 위해서는 모든 연결 단자를 제거해야만 합니다.

Waarschuwing
Deze eenheid kan meer dan één stroomtoevoeraansluiting bevatten. Alle aansluitingen dienen verwijderd te worden om het apparaat stroomloos te maken.

警告
當系統正在進行時，背板上有危險的電壓或能量，進行維修時務必小心。

Warnung
Wenn das System in Betrieb ist, treten auf der Rückwandplatine gefährliche Spannungen oder Energien auf. Vorsicht bei der Wartung.

¡Advertencia!
Cuando el sistema está en funcionamiento, el voltaje del plano trasero es peligroso. Tenga cuidado cuando lo revise.
Comply with Local and National Electrical Codes

Warning!
Installation of the equipment must comply with local and national electrical codes.

¡Advertencia!
La instalación del equipo debe cumplir con las normas de electricidad locales y nacionales.
Product Disposal

Warning!
Ultimate disposal of this product should be handled according to all national laws and regulations.

製品の廃棄
この製品を廃棄処分する場合、国の関係する全ての法律・条例に従い処理する必要があります。

警告
本产品的废弃处理应根据所有国家的法律和规章进行。

Warnung
Die Entsorgung dieses Produkts sollte gemäß allen Bestimmungen und Gesetzen des Landes erfolgen.

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¡Advertencia!
Al deshacerse por completo de este producto debe seguir todas las leyes y reglamentos nacionales.

Attention
La mise au rebut ou le recyclage de ce produit sont généralement soumis à des lois et/ou directives de respect de l'environnement. Renseignez-vous auprès de l'organisme compétent.

경고!
이 제품은 해당 국가의 관련 법규 및 규정에 따라 폐기되어야 합니다.

Hot Swap Fan Warning

Warning!
The fans might still be turning when you remove the fan assembly from the chassis. Keep fingers, screwdrivers, and other objects away from the openings in the fan assembly's housing.

 WARNUNG

Warning!
当您从机架移除风扇装置，风扇可能仍在动。小心不要将手指、螺丝刀和其他物品太靠近风扇。
Warnung


¡Advertencia!

Los ventiladores podran dar vuelta cuando usted quite ell montaje del ventilador del chasis. Mantenga los dedos, los destornilladores y todos los objetos lejos de las aberturas del ventilador.

Attention

Il est possible que les ventilateurs soient toujours en rotation lorsque vous retirez le bloc ventilauteur du châssis. Prenez garde à ce que doigts, tournevis et autres objets soient éloignés du logement du bloc ventilateur.

경고!

當您從機架移除風扇裝置，風扇可能仍在轉動。小心不要將手指、螺絲起子和其他物品太靠近風扇。

Waarschuwing

Het is mogelijk dat de ventilator nog draait tijdens het verwijderen van het ventilatorsamenstel uit het chassis. Houd uw vingers, schroevendraaiers en eventuele andere voorwerpen uit de buurt van de openingen in de ventilatorbehuizing.
Power Cable and AC Adapter

Warning!

When installing the product, use the provided or designated connection cables, power cables and AC adaptors. Using any other cables and adaptors could cause a malfunction or a fire. Electrical Appliance and Material Safety Law prohibits the use of UL or CSA-certified cables (that have UL/CSA shown on the code) for any other electrical devices than products designated by Supermicro only.

製品を設置する場合、提供または指定された接続ケーブル、電源コードとACアダプターを使用下さい。他のケーブルやアダプタを使用すると故障や火災の原因になることがあります。電気用品安全法は、ULまたはCSA認定のケーブル(UL/CSEマークがコードに表記)をSupermicroが指定する製品以外に使用することを禁止しています。

¡Advertencia!

Al instalar el producto, utilice los cables de conexión previstos o designados, los cables y adaptadores de CA. La utilización de otros cables y adaptadores podría ocasionar un mal funcionamiento o un incendio. Aparatos Eléctricos y la Ley de Seguridad del Material prohíbe el uso de UL o CSA cables certificados que tienen UL o CSA se muestra en el código de otros dispositivos eléctricos que los productos designados por Supermicro solamente.

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3-1 Overview

This chapter describes the most common components included with your chassis. Some components listed may not be included or compatible with your particular chassis model. For more information, see the installation instructions detailed later in this manual.

3-2 Components

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Drives

The chassis includes hard disk drive bays, which support twenty-four 2.5" hard drives. The hard drives must be purchased separately.

The SC216B chassis supports two additional, optional hard drives mounted in the rear of the chassis.

Backplane

Each SC216 chassis comes with a 2U backplane which supports SAS/SATA. For more information regarding compatible backplanes, see the appendices at the end of this manual.

Fans

The SC216 chassis supports three system fans. System fans are powered from the motherboard or the backplane. Fan speed may be controlled if the motherboard has either PWM or DC control ability.

Mounting Rails

The SC216 can be mounted in a rack and rails are included.
Power Supply
Each SC216 chassis model includes a high-efficiency redundant power supply rated at 900, 920, 1010, 1200, or 1800 Watts.

Air Shroud
Air shrouds are shields, usually plastic, that funnel air directly to where it is needed. Always use the air shroud included with your chassis.

3-3 Where to get Replacement Components
Infrequently, you may need replacement parts for your system. To ensure the highest level of professional service and technical support, we strongly recommend purchasing exclusively from our Supermicro authorized distributors, system integrators and resellers. A list of Supermicro authorized distributors, system integrators and resellers can be found at: http://www.supermicro.com. Click the Where to Buy link.
Chapter 4

System Interface

4-1 Overview

Several buttons and LEDs indicate the status of the system. The control panel on the front edge of the chassis includes power buttons and status LEDs. There are also LEDs on the drive carriers the indicate the status of the drive.

This chapter explains the LED indicators and responses.
4-2  Control Panel Buttons

There are two push-buttons located on the front of the chassis. These are a power on/off button and a reset button.

**Power:** The main power switch is used to apply or remove power from the power supply to the server system. Turning off system power with this button removes the main power but keeps standby power supplied to the system. Therefore, you must unplug system before servicing.

**Reset:** The reset button is used to reboot the system. A needle, pen, or other small device is required to activate this button and reset the system.

4-3  Control Panel LEDs

The control panel located on the front of the SC216 chassis has five LEDs. These LEDs provide you with critical information related to different parts of the system. This section explains what each LED indicates when illuminated and any corrective action you may need to take.

**Power:** Indicates power is being supplied to the system's power supply units. This LED should normally be illuminated when the system is operating.

**HDD:** Indicates IDE channel activity. SAS/SATA drive and/or DVD-ROM drive activity when flashing.
NIC2: Indicates network activity on GLAN2 when flashing.

NIC1: Indicates network activity on GLAN1 when flashing.

**Power Failure:** When this LED flashes, it indicates a power failure in the power supply.

**Information LED:** Alerts operator of several states, as noted in the table below.

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<tr>
<th>Status</th>
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<tr>
<td>Continuously on and red</td>
<td>An overheat condition has occurred. (This may be caused by cable congestion.)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Blinking red (1Hz)</td>
<td>Fan failure, check for an inoperative fan.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Blinking red (0.25Hz)</td>
<td>Power failure, check for a non-operational power supply.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Solid blue</td>
<td>Local UID has been activated. Use this function to locate the server in a rack mount environment.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Blinking blue</td>
<td>Remote UID is on. Use this function to identify the server from a remote location.</td>
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4-4 Drive Carrier LEDs

The SC216 chassis supports SAS/SATA drives.

SAS/SATA Drives

Each SAS/SATA drive carrier has two LEDs.

- **Green or Blue:** Each hard disk drive carrier has either a green or a blue LED, depending upon the hard disk drives and backplane used. When illuminated, this LED indicates drive activity. A connection to the SATA backplane enables this LED to blink on and off when that particular drive is being accessed.

- **Red:** The red LED indicates a SAS/SATA drive failure. If one of the SAS/SATA drives fail, you should be notified by your system management software.
Chapter 5

Chassis Setup and Maintenance

5-1 Overview

This chapter covers the steps required to install components and perform maintenance on the chassis. The only tool required is a Phillips screwdriver.

Review the warnings and precautions listed in the manual before setting up or servicing this chassis. These include information in Chapter 2: Warnings for AC Systems, and the precautions listed in the setup instructions.

5-2 Removing the Power Cord

Before performing any setup or maintenance on the chassis, use the following procedure to ensure that power has been removed from the system.

1. Use the operating system to power down the node, following the on-screen prompts.

2. After the system has completely shut-down, carefully grasp the head of the power cord and gently pull it out of the back of the power supply. If your system has dual power supplies, remove the cords from both power supplies.

3. Disconnect the cord from the power strip or wall outlet.
5-3 Removing the Chassis Cover

Removing the Chassis Cover

1. Press the release tabs to remove the cover from the locked position. Press both tabs at the same time.

2. Once the top cover is released from the locked position, slide the cover toward the rear of the chassis.

3. Lift the cover off the chassis.

Caution: Except for short periods of time, do not operate the server without the cover in place. The chassis cover assists with proper airflow that prevents overheating.
5-4 Installing Hard Drives

The SC216 comes equipped with twenty-four hot-swappable hard drives which can be removed without powering down the system. Only enterprise level SAS or SATA HDDs are recommended.

Removing Hard Drive Carriers from the Chassis

1. Press the release button on the drive tray. This extends the drive bay handle.

2. Use the handle to pull the tray out of the chassis.
Installing a Hard Drive into a Drive Carrier

1. Insert a drive into the carrier with the PCB side facing down and the connector end toward the rear of the carrier.

2. Align the drive in the carrier so that the mounting holes of both are aligned. Note that there are holes in the carrier marked "SAS" or "SATA" to aid in correct installation.

3. Secure the drive to the carrier with four screws as illustrated above. Use the four M3 flat-head screws included in the HDD bag of the accessory box. Note that the screws used to secure the dummy drive to the carrier cannot be used to secure the hard drive.

4. Insert the hard drive and drive carrier into its bay vertically, keeping the carrier oriented so that the release button is on the bottom. When the carrier reaches the rear of the bay, the release handle will retract.

5. Using the thumb, push against the upper part of the hard drive handle. Push the hard drive into the hard drive bay as illustrated below, until the hard drive clicks into the locked position.
Installing the Rear 2.5" Hard Drive--SC216B Only

The SC216B model chassis supports an optional hard drive cage for two additional 2.5" hot-swappable hard drives. The hard drive cage installs in the rear of the chassis next to the power supply. Once the hard drive cage has been installed, the 2.5" hard drives may be removed without powering down the server.

Installing the 2.5" Rear Hard Drive Cage

1. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2, lay the chassis on a flat, stable surface and remove the chassis cover.

2. Orient the rear hard drive cage as shown (Figure 5-5), aligning the opening at the end of the cage with the opening at the back of the chassis.

Figure 5-5. Installing the Rear 2.5" Hard Drive Cage
3. Place the hard drive cage into the chassis. Secure the front of the hard drive cage to the chassis by fastening one screw inside the opening of the hard drive cage as illustrated.

4. Secure the top of the hard drive cage to the chassis frame with two screws, fastened at the upper edge of the hard drive cage above the opening of the hard drive cage.

5. Secure the back of the hard drive cage to the chassis with one screw as shown above.

6. Replace the power cords and power up the server.

**Caution:** Except for short periods of time, such as swapping hard drives, do not operate the server with the hard drives empty.
5-5 Installing the Motherboard

I/O Shield

The I/O shield holds the motherboard ports in place. Install the I/O shield before installing the motherboard. If the motherboard you purchased did not include a standard I/O shield, contact the motherboard vendor for a compatible shield.

*Installing the I/O Shield*

1. Review the documentation that came with your motherboard. Become familiar with component placement, requirements, and precautions.

2. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and open the chassis cover.

3. With the illustrations facing the outside of the chassis, place the shield into the space provided at the rear of the chassis as illustrated above.
Permanent and Optional Standoffs

Standoffs prevent short circuits by creating space between the motherboard and the chassis surface. The SC216 chassis includes permanent standoffs in locations used by most motherboards. These standoffs accept the rounded Phillips head screws included in the accessories package.

Some motherboards require additional screws for heatsinks, general components or non-standard security. Optional standoffs are included for these motherboards. To use an optional standoff, place the hexagonal nut with the rounded side up, in the holes provided on the floor of the chassis.

Figure 5-8. Chassis Standoffs and Motherboard Installation
Motherboard Installation

Installing the Motherboard

1. Review the documentation that came with your motherboard. Become familiar with component placement, requirements, precautions, and cable connections.

2. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and open the chassis cover.

3. If necessary, remove the air shroud and riser card bracket.

4. Ensure that the I/O shield has been installed correctly.

5. As required by your motherboard, install standoffs in any areas that do not have a permanent standoff and remove any standoffs that are not required by the motherboard.

6. Lay the motherboard on the chassis aligning the permanent and optional standoffs.

7. Secure the motherboard to the chassis using the rounded, Phillips head screws which are included in the motherboard bag of the accessory box. Do not exceed eight pounds of torque when securing the motherboard.

8. Secure the CPUs, heatsinks, and other components to the motherboard as described in the motherboard documentation.

9. Connect the cables between the motherboard, backplane, chassis, front panel, and power supply, as needed. Additionally, the fans may be temporarily removed to allow access to the backplane ports and to allow for ease of installation.
5-6 Installing the Expansion Cards

For the LP models, such as SC216BAC-R920 LPB, the chassis slots are vertical and allow the addition of low profile expansion cards. For the W models such as SC216BE1C-R920 WB, and the U models such as SC216E16-R1200 UB the chassis slots are horizontal. The U models allow a Supermicro universal I/O (UIO) card in addition to expansion cards.

The motherboard must be installed before expansion cards.

**Expansion Cards for an LP Model Chassis**

The LPB model chassis includes seven slots for expansion cards.

**Installing an Expansion Card for an LP Model Chassis**

1. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and remove the cover.

2. In the rear of the chassis, remove the blank PCI shield that is pre-installed covering the expansion slot.

3. Slide the expansion card into the expansion slot on the motherboard while aligning it with the chassis slot in the rear of the chassis.

4. Secure the expansion card shield onto the rear of the chassis with a screw.

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**Figure 5-9. Removing the Blank Shield**
Expansion Cards for a W or U Model Chassis

The W or U model chassis accommodates expansion cards using riser cards. If your motherboard supports a Supermicro universal I/O (UIO) card, the U model chassis supports an additional three full-height expansion cards and three low-profile expansion cards. If the motherboard does not support a UIO, then the W model chassis supports four full-height expansion cards and three low-profile expansion cards.

**Installing a UIO Card**

1. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and remove the cover.

2. Release the clamp that secures all four full-height PCI shields (Figure 5-12). Looking at the rear of the chassis, this clamp is in the right corner. Unscrew the single screw that secures the clamp and rotate the clamp away from the shields. Remove the blank PCI shield covering the expansion slot in the chassis.

3. Place the UIO card horizontally in the rear left area of the chassis bottom and insert it into the UIO slot in the motherboard, while aligning it with slot in the rear of the chassis.

4. Secure the shield to the rear of the chassis with the lever.
Installing an Expansion Card for a W or U Model Chassis

1. If this is the first expansion card, start by locating the *riser card bracket* in your chassis accessory bag, and one or two riser cards, which are purchased separately. One riser card accommodates the full-height expansion cards and another riser card accommodates the three low profile expansion cards.

2. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and remove the cover.

3. Attach the riser card(s) to the riser card bracket using screws. Note that there are different cards for the right and left side of the bracket.

4. Insert the riser card(s) into the motherboard expansion slot(s) while aligning the riser card bracket with the rear of the chassis. Secure the bracket with screws (Figure 5-11).

Figure 5-11. Installing the Riser Card Bracket
5. For a **full-height** extension card, release the clamp that secures all four PCI shields. Looking at the rear of the chassis, this clamp is in the right corner. Unscrew the single screw that secures the clamp and rotate the clamp away from the shields.

For a **low profile** extension card, release the box-shaped clamp that secures all three PCI shields. Looking at the rear of the chassis, this clamp is near the middle, just left of the low profile PCI slots. Unscrew the single screw that secures the clamp and slide the clamp to the left away from the shields.

6. Insert the expansion card into a slot on the riser card while aligning the expansion card backplate with the open slot in the rear of the chassis. Repeat for other expansion cards if you are installing more than one.

7. Secure the card backplates to the chassis by returning the clamp to the closed position and installing the locking screw.

8. Replace the chassis cover and power up.
5-7 Installing the Air Shrouds

Air shrouds concentrate airflow to maximize fan efficiency. They do not require screws for installation.

Installing the Air Shrouds in the Chassis

1. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and open the chassis cover.

2. Ensure that the motherboard, CPU, heatsink and memory are all properly installed.

3. If necessary, move any cables that interfere with the air shroud placement.

4. Place the air shroud in the chassis. The air shroud fits just behind the three fans in the fan rack. Slide the air shroud into the grooves just behind the fan rack.
   Note that some motherboards may require the air shroud to be modified to fit over the motherboard. The SC216 chassis air shroud is designed with break-away pieces that may be removed to accommodate differing styles of motherboards.
An additional air shroud is required for high-powered CPUs, to provide extra cooling. Install the additional air shroud if necessary.

**Installing the Additional Air Shroud**

*Installing the Additional Air Shroud in the Chassis*

1. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and open the chassis cover.

2. Remove the left side break-away piece of the main air shroud.

3. Slide the additional air shroud into the chassis before installing the main air shroud.

4. Install the main air shroud as directed on the previous page.
5-8 Checking the Airflow

Checking the Server’s Airflow

1. Make sure there are no objects to obstruct airflow in and out of the server. In addition, if you are using a front bezel, make sure the bezel filter is replaced periodically.

2. Do not operate the server without drives or drive carriers in the drive bays. Use only recommended server parts.

3. Make sure no wires or foreign objects obstruct airflow through the chassis. Pull all excess cabling out of the airflow path or use shorter cables.

The control panel LEDs inform you of system status. See “Chapter 4 System Interface” for details on the LEDs and the control panel buttons.
5-9 System Fans

Three heavy-duty fans provide cooling for the chassis. These fans circulate air through the chassis as a means of lowering the chassis internal temperature. The SC216 fans are hot-swappable, enabling the fans to be replaced without powering down the system.

Replacing a System Fan

1. If necessary, open the chassis while the power is running to determine which fan requires changing. (Never run the server for an extended period of time with the chassis open.)

2. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and open the chassis cover.

3. Press the fan release tab to lift the failed fan from the chassis and pull it completely out of the chassis.

4. Place the new fan into the vacant space in the housing while making sure the arrows on the top of the fan (indicating air direction) point in the same direction as the arrows on the other fans.

5. The fan will automatically begin running at the correct speed.
Figure 5-16. Placing the System Fan
5-10 Power Supply

The SC216 chassis has two redundant power supplies. The power modules are hot-swappable, enabling the power supplies to be changed without powering down the system. These power supplies are auto-switching capable. This enables the power supply to automatically sense and operate at a 100v to 240v input voltage. An amber light will be illuminated on the power supply when the power is off. An illuminated green light indicates that the power supply is operating.

Changing the Power Supply

1. Determine which power supply needs to be replaced and unplug the power cord to that module.

2. Push the release tab (on the back of the power supply) as illustrated, to release the power module from the chassis.

3. While holding down the release tab, pull the power supply out using the handle provided on the power module.
4. Replace the failed power module with the same model power supply.

5. Push the new power supply module into the power bay until the tab clicks into the locked position.

6. Plug the AC power cord back into the module and the replacement power module will automatically power-up.
Power Distributor

The power distributor provides failover and power supply redundancy, and is pre-installed in the chassis. In the rare event that you have to replace the power distributor, follow the steps below.

**Changing the Power Distributor**

1. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and open the chassis cover.

2. Remove all cable connections to the power supply from the motherboard, backplane, and other components. Also, remove both power supply modules.

3. Remove the screws securing the power distributor.

4. Gently pull the power distributor from the chassis. Gently guide all the cables through the power distributor housing.

5. Slide the new power distributor module into the power distributor housing. Make that you slide the cables through the bottom of the housing.

6. Reconnect all the power cables, replace the power supply, and insert the plug into the wall.
5-11 Removing the Backplane

The SC216 chassis backplane is located behind the hard drives and in front of the front system fans. In order to change jumper settings on the backplane, it may be necessary to remove the backplane from the chassis.

Removing the Backplane from the Chassis

1. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and open the chassis cover.

2. Disconnect the cabling to the backplane.

3. Remove all of the hard drive trays from the front of the chassis.

4. Remove the four upper screws at the top of the backplane, indicated by the arrows below.

![Figure 5-19. Removing the Screws at the Top of the Backplane](image-url)
5. Loosen the three screws in the spring bar, located on the floor of the chassis, indicated by the arrows below.

6. Gently ease the backplane up and out of the chassis.

Figure 5-20. Loosening the Spring Bar Screws in the Floor of the Chassis
5-12 Installing the Backplane

*Installing the Backplane into the Chassis*

1. Power down the system as described in Section 5-2 and open the chassis cover.

2. Ensure that all of the hard drive carriers have been removed from the bays in the front of the chassis and that the spring bar has been loosened as directed in the previous section.

3. Slide the backplane into the chassis at a slight angle, pushing it up against the side of the chassis.

4. Ease the backplane forward, against the front of the chassis. This will aid in the alignment of the mounting holes.

5. Align the mounting holes in the backplane with the holes in the chassis. Replace the four screws at the top of the backplane and the three screws in the floor of the chassis.

6. Reconnect all cables and return the hard drive trays to their bays in the front of the chassis.

![Figure 5-21. Installing the Backplane](image-url)
Chapter 6

Rack Installation

6-1 Overview

This chapter provides a quick setup to get your chassis up and running. Following these steps in the order given should enable you to have the system operational within a minimal amount of time.

6-2 Unpacking the System

You should inspect the box which the chassis was shipped in and note if it was damaged in any way. If the chassis itself shows damage, you should file a damage claim with the carrier who delivered it.

Decide on a suitable location for the rack unit that will hold your chassis. It should be situated in a clean, dust-free area that is well ventilated. Avoid areas where heat, electrical noise and electromagnetic fields are generated. The system needs to be placed near a grounded power outlet. Be sure to read the Rack and Server Precautions in the next section.

6-3 Preparing for Setup

The box your chassis was shipped in should include two sets of rail assemblies and the mounting screws needed for installing the system into the rack. Also included is an optional square hole to round hole converter bracket, for use in racks with round mounting holes. Please read this section in its entirety before you begin the installation procedure outlined in the sections that follow.

Choosing a Setup Location

• Leave enough clearance in front of the rack to enable you to open the front door completely (~25 inches).

• Leave approximately 30 inches of clearance in the back of the rack to allow for sufficient airflow and ease in servicing.

• This product is for installation only in a Restricted Access Location (dedicated equipment rooms, service closets and the like).
6-4  Warnings and Precautions

Rack Precautions

• Ensure that the leveling jacks on the bottom of the rack are fully extended to the floor with the full weight of the rack resting on them.

• In single rack installations, stabilizers should be attached to the rack.

• In multiple rack installations, the racks should be coupled together.

• Always make sure that the rack is stable before extending a component from the rack.

• You should extend only one component at a time - extending two or more simultaneously may cause the rack to become unstable.

General Server Precautions

• Review the electrical and general safety precautions that came with the components you are adding to your chassis.

• Determine the placement of each component in the rack before you install the rails.

• Install the heaviest server components on the bottom of the rack first, and then work upwards.

• Use a regulating uninterruptible power supply (UPS) to protect the server from power surges, voltage spikes and to keep your system operating in case of a power failure.

• Allow the hot plug hard drives and power supply modules to cool before touching them.

• Always keep the rack's front door and all panels and components on the servers closed when not servicing to maintain proper cooling.
Rack Mounting Considerations

**Ambient Operating Temperature**

If installed in a closed or multi-unit rack assembly, the ambient operating temperature of the rack environment may be greater than the ambient temperature of the room. Therefore, consideration should be given to installing the equipment in an environment compatible with the manufacturer’s maximum rated ambient temperature (TMRA).

**Reduced Airflow**

Equipment should be mounted into a rack so that the amount of airflow required for safe operation is not compromised.

**Mechanical Loading**

Equipment should be mounted into a rack so that a hazardous condition does not arise due to uneven mechanical loading.

**Circuit Overloading**

Consideration should be given to the connection of the equipment to the power supply circuitry and the effect that any possible overloading of circuits might have on overcurrent protection and power supply wiring. Appropriate consideration of equipment nameplate ratings should be used when addressing this concern.

**Reliable Ground**

A reliable ground must be maintained at all times. To ensure this, the rack itself should be grounded. Particular attention should be given to power supply connections other than the direct connections to the branch circuit (i.e. the use of power strips, etc.).

**Warning:** To prevent bodily injury when mounting or servicing this unit in a rack, you must take special precautions to ensure that the system remains stable. The following guidelines are provided to ensure your safety:

- This unit should be mounted at the bottom of the rack if it is the only unit in the rack.
- When mounting this unit in a partially filled rack, load the rack from the bottom to the top with the heaviest component at the bottom of the rack.
- If the rack is provided with stabilizing devices, install the stabilizers before mounting or servicing the unit in the rack.
6-5 Rack Mounting Instructions

This section provides information on installing the chassis into a rack unit with the rails provided. There are a variety of rack units on the market, which may mean that the assembly procedure will differ slightly from the instructions provided. You should also refer to the installation instructions that came with the rack unit you are using. **Note:** This rail will fit a rack between 26.5” and 36.4” deep.

**Identifying the Sections of the Rack Rails**

The chassis package includes two rail assemblies in the rack mounting kit. Each assembly consists of three sections: An inner chassis rail which secures directly to the chassis, an outer rail that secures to the rack, and a middle rail which extends from the outer rail. These assemblies are specifically designed for the left and right side of the chassis.

![Figure 6-1. Identifying the Outer Rail, Middle Rail and Inner Rails (Left Rail Assembly Shown)](image-url)
Locking Tabs
Each inner rail has a locking tab. This tab locks the chassis into place when installed and pushed fully into the rack. These tabs also lock the chassis in place when fully extended from the rack. This prevents the server from coming completely out of the rack when the chassis is pulled out for servicing.

Releasing the Inner Rail

Releasing Inner Rail from the Outer Rails

1. Identify the left and right outer rail assemblies as described on page 6-4.

2. Pull the inner rail out of the outer rail until it is fully extended as illustrated below.

3. Press the locking tab down to release the inner rail.

4. Repeat steps 1-3 for the second outer rail.

Figure 6-2. Extending and Releasing the Inner Rail
Installing The Inner Rails on the Chassis

*Installing the Inner Rails*

1. Confirm that the left and right inner rails have been correctly identified.

2. Place the inner rail firmly against the side of the chassis, aligning the hooks on the side of the chassis with the holes in the inner rail.

3. Slide the inner rail forward toward the front of the chassis until the rail clicks into the locked position, which secures the inner rail to the chassis.

4. Secure the inner rail to the chassis with the screws provided.

5. Repeat steps 1 through 4 above for the other inner rail.

**Warning**: do not pick up the server by the front handles. They are designed to pull the system from a rack only.
Installing the Outer Rails on the Rack

Install the Outer Rails

1. Press upward on the locking tab at the rear end of the middle rail.

2. Push the middle rail back into the outer rail.

3. Hang the hooks of the front of the outer rail onto the slots on the front of the rack. If necessary, use screws to secure the outer rails to the rack, as illustrated above.

4. Pull out the rear of the outer rail, adjusting the length until it fits within the posts of the rack.

5. Hang the hooks of the rear portion of the outer rail onto the slots on the rear of the rack. If necessary, use screws to secure the rear of the outer rail to the rear of the rack.

6. Repeat steps 1-5 for the remaining outer rail.

**Stability hazard.** The rack stabilizing mechanism must be in place, or the rack must be bolted to the floor before you slide the unit out for servicing. Failure to stabilize the rack can cause the rack to tip over.
Figure 6-6. Installing into a Rack

**Note**: Figures are for illustrative purposes only. Always install servers into racks from the bottom up.

**Standard Chassis Installation**

**Installing the Chassis into a Rack**

1. Confirm that the inner rails are properly installed on the chassis.

2. Confirm that the outer rails are correctly installed on the rack.

3. Pull the middle rail out from the front of the outer rail and make sure that the ball-bearing shuttle is at the front locking position of the middle rail.

4. Align the chassis inner rails with the front of the middle rails.

5. Slide the inner rails on the chassis into the middle rails, keeping the pressure even on both sides, until the locking tab of the inner rail clicks into the front of the middle rail, locking the chassis into the fully extended position.

6. Depress the locking tabs of both sides at the same time and push the chassis all the way into the rear of the rack.

7. If necessary for security purposes, use screws to secure the chassis handles to the front of the rack.
Optional Quick Installation Method

The following quick installation method may be used to install the chassis onto a rack.

*Installing the Chassis into a Rack*

1. Install the whole rail assembly onto the rack as described on page 6-7.
2. Release the inner rail without retracting the middle rail.
3. Install the inner rails on the chassis as previously described on page 6-6.
4. Install the chassis onto the middle rail as described in the previous section.
A-1 Overview

This appendix lists supported cables for your chassis system. It only includes the most commonly used components and configurations. For more compatible cables, refer to the manufacturer of the motherboard you are using and our Web site at: www.supermicro.com.

A-2 Cables Included with SC216 Chassis

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<th>Part #</th>
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<td>CBL-0217L</td>
<td>Cable</td>
<td>8.7&quot; (22 cm)</td>
<td>16-pin control panel converter cable PBF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CBL-0088</td>
<td>Cord</td>
<td>10.5&quot;</td>
<td>4-pin middle fan power extension (PWM)</td>
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<tr>
<td>CBL-0087</td>
<td>Ribbon, Round</td>
<td>20&quot;</td>
<td>16-pin to 16-pin ribbon cable for control panel</td>
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</table>
A-3 Compatible Cables

These cables are compatible with the SC216 chassis.

**Alternate SAS/SATA Cables**

Some compatible motherboards have different connectors. If your motherboard has only one SAS connector that the SAS/SATA cables must share, use one of the following cables. These cables must be purchased separately.

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<th>Cable Name</th>
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<td>This cable has one SFF-8484 (32-pin) connector on one end and four SAS connectors (each is a 7-pins) at the other. This cable connects from the host (motherboard or other controller) to the backplane SAS hard drive port.</td>
<td>SAS Cable</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>CBL-0175L</td>
<td>&quot;Big Four&quot;</td>
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<th>Quantity</th>
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<td>This cable has one iPass (SFF-8087/Mini-SAS) connector (36-pin) at one end and four SAS connectors on the other end. This cable connects from the host (motherboard or other controller) to the backplane SAS hard drive port.</td>
<td>SAS Cable</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>CBL-0116</td>
<td>iPass or &quot;Small Four&quot;</td>
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Extending Power Cables

Although Supermicro chassis are designed to be efficient and cost-effective, some compatible motherboards have power connectors located in different areas.

To use these motherboards you may have to extend the power cables to the motherboards. To do this, use the following chart as a guide.

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<td>CBL-0042</td>
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<td>CBL-0059</td>
<td>7.9” (20 cm)</td>
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<td>8-pin</td>
<td>CBL-0062</td>
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<td>4-pin</td>
<td>CBL-0060</td>
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Front Panel to the Motherboard

The SC216 chassis includes a cable to connect the chassis front panel to the motherboard. If your motherboard uses a different connector, use the following list to find a compatible cable.

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<th>Number of Pins (Motherboard)</th>
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<td>various*</td>
<td>CBL-0067</td>
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* Split cables: Use these cable if your motherboard requires several different connections from the front panel.
Notes
Appendix B

SC216 Power Supply Specifications

This appendix lists power supply specifications for the SC216 chassis.

### 1K28 Models, such as SC216BE1C4-R1K23LPB

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<td>PWS-1K23A-1R with PDB</td>
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</table>
| **AC Input**           | 100-127 V, 15-12A, 50-60 Hz
|                        | 200-240 V, 8.5-7A, 50-60 Hz |
| **DC Output +12V**     | 75 Amp      |
| **+5V standby**        | 4 Amp       |
| **+5V**                | 45 Amp      |
| **+3.3V**              | 24 Amp      |
| **-12V**               | 0.6 Amp     |

### 920 Models, such as SC216BAC-R920LPB

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<td>100-240 V, 4.5-11 Amp, 50-60 Hz</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>DC Output +12V</strong></td>
<td>75 Amp</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>+5V standby</strong></td>
<td>4 Amp</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>+5V</strong></td>
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<td><strong>+3.3V</strong></td>
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### 1K28 Models, such as SC216BE16-R1K28LPB

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| **AC Input**           | 1000W Output @ 100-140V, 12-8A, 50-60Hz
|                        | 1280W Output @ 180-240V, 8-6A, 50-60Hz |
| **DC Output +12V**     | 1000W: 83A
|                        | 1280W: 106.7A |
| **+5V standby**        | 4 Amp       |
### 1200 Models, such as SC216E16-R1200LPB

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<td>180 - 240V, 50 - 60Hz, 5.5 - 8 Amp</td>
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<td><strong>DC Output +12V</strong></td>
<td>1000W, 83 Amp @ 100-140V</td>
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<td>1200W, 100 Amp @ 180-240V</td>
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<td><strong>+5 Standby</strong></td>
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<td><strong>+5V</strong></td>
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<td><strong>+3.3V</strong></td>
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### SC216E16-R1010LPB

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### 900 Models, such as SC216A-R900LPB

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<tr>
<td><strong>DC Output +12V</strong></td>
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<td><strong>+5V standby</strong></td>
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B-2
To avoid personal injury and property damage, carefully follow all the safety steps listed below when accessing your system or handling the components.

C-1 ESD Safety Guidelines

Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) can damage electronic components. To prevent damage to your system, it is important to handle it very carefully. The following measures are generally sufficient to protect your equipment from ESD.

• Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.

• Touch a grounded metal object before removing a component from the antistatic bag.

• Handle the backplane by its edges only; do not touch its components, peripheral chips, memory modules or gold contacts.

• When handling chips or modules, avoid touching their pins.

• Put the card and peripherals back into their antistatic bags when not in use.

C-2 General Safety Guidelines

• Always disconnect power cables before installing or removing any components from the computer, including the backplane.

• Disconnect the power cable before installing or removing any cables from the backplane.

• Make sure that the backplane is securely and properly installed on the motherboard to prevent damage to the system due to power shortage.
C-3  A Note to Users

All images and layouts shown in this user’s guide are based upon the latest PCB Revision available at the time of publishing. The card you have received may or may not look exactly the same as the graphics shown in this manual.

C-4  Introduction to the SAS-216A Backplane

The SAS-216A backplane has been designed to utilize the most up-to-date technology available, providing your system with reliable, high-quality performance.

This manual reflects SAS-216A Revision 1.02, the most current release available at the time of publication. Always refer to the Supermicro Web site at www.supermicro.com for the latest updates, compatible parts and supported configurations.
C-5  Front Connector Locations

Figure C-1. Front Connectors

Front Connectors

2. I²C Connector #1: JP37
3. I²C Connector #2: JP95
4. I²C Connector #3: JP52
5. I²C Connector #4: JP96
6. I²C Connector #5: JP116
7. I²C Connector #6: JP117
9. SAS IN#1: JSM1
10. SAS IN#2: JSM2
11. SAS IN#3: JSM3
12. SAS IN#4: JSM4
13. SAS IN#5: JSM5
14. SAS IN#6: JSM6
C-6  Front Connectors and Pin Definitions

1. Upgrade Connectors

The upgrade connectors are designated JP69, JP78 and JP115 are used for manufacturer's diagnostic purposes only.

2. - 7. I²C Connectors

The I²C Connectors, designated JP37, JP95, JP52, JP96, JP115 and JP116 are used to monitor HDD activity and status. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

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8. Backplane Main Power Connectors


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9. - 14. SAS IN Ports (Sideband included)

The SAS ports are used to connect the SAS drive cables. The six SAS IN ports are designated #JSM1 - #JSM6. Each port is also compatible with SATA drives.

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<tr>
<td>A11  SGPIO: SDIN</td>
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<tr>
<td>PC: Backplane Addressing (SB5)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A12  SGPIO: SDOUT</td>
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<tr>
<td>PC: Reset (SB4)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A9   GND (SB3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>PC:SDA (SB1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>A8   Backplane ID (SB7)</td>
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<tr>
<td>PC:SCL (SB0)</td>
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</table>
15. Chip Reset JP36 1-2 Reset, 2-3 No Reset (Not populated)
16. Chip Reset JP35 1-2 Reset, 2-3 No Reset (Not populated)
17. Buzzer Reset* JP18
18. JP84 1-2 SGPIO, 2-3 I²C
19. JP80 I²C Addr - On C0, Off C2 (Not populated)
20. JP50 Chip Reset 1-2 Reset, 2-3 No Reset (Not populated)

*The buzzer sound indicates that a condition requiring immediate attention has occurred. It is triggered by the following conditions:

- Hard drive failure
- Fan failure
- System temperature over 45º Celsius

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**Explanation of Jumpers**

To modify the operation of the backplane, jumpers can be used to choose between optional settings. Jumpers create shorts between two pins to change the function of the connector. Pin 1 is identified with a square solder pad on the printed circuit board. Note: On two pin jumpers, "Closed" means the jumper is on and "Open" means the jumper is off the pins.
I\textsuperscript{2}C and SGPIO Modes and Jumper Settings

This backplane can utilize I\textsuperscript{2}C or SGPIO. SGPIO is the default mode and can be used without making changes to your jumper. The following information details which jumper must be configured to use SGPIO mode or restore your backplane to I\textsuperscript{2}C mode.

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<td>I\textsuperscript{2}C Setting</td>
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Front LED Indicators

Figure C-3. Front LEDs

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<td>D9</td>
<td>On</td>
<td>Alarm #3</td>
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C-8  Rear Components, Connectors and LED Indicators

Figure C-4. Rear Components

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D-1 Overview of the SAS-216EL1/EL2 Backplanes

The SAS-216EL1/EL2 series of backplanes consists of a SAS-216EB backplane (A) with one or two SAS-216EL daughter cards (B and C) mounted on the rear of the backplane.

The SAS-216EL1 model consists of the SAS-216EB backplane (A) and one SAS-216EL daughter card (C), mounted on the right-hand side of the backplane.

The SAS-216EL2 model consists of the SAS-216EB backplane (A), and two SAS216EL daughter cards (B and C), mounted on the rear of the backplane.

Components on the front side of the SAS-216ELB backplane include twenty-four SAS connectors and their respective activity and failure LEDs. Components on the rear side of the backplane include jumpers and power and fan connectors. The daughter card’s components include SAS ports, flash and expander chips, and mode select jumpers.

Figure D-1. The SAS-216EL1/EL2 Backplane
D-2  ESD Safety Guidelines

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- Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.
- Touch a grounded metal object before removing a component from the antistatic bag.
- Handle the backplane and daughter cards by their edges only; do not touch its components, peripheral chips, memory modules or gold contacts.
- When handling chips or modules, avoid touching their pins.
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To avoid personal injury and property damage, carefully follow all the safety steps listed below when accessing your system or handling the components.

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- Disconnect the power cable before installing or removing any cables from the backplane.
- Make sure that the backplane is securely and properly installed on the motherboard to prevent damage to the system due to power shortage.

D-4  An Important Note to Users

At the time of publication, chassis models using this backplane are no longer sold.

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D-5  Introduction to the SAS-216EL Backplane

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Rear Components and Connectors

Components

1. Primary Flash Chip
2. Primary Expander Chip
3. SAS Port: PRI_J1
4. SAS Port: PRI_J2
5. SAS Port: PRI_J3
6. EPP Connectors: J24 and J25
7. Fan Connectors: Fan1, Fan2, and Fan3
8. Power Connectors: PWR1 - PWR6
D-7 Rear Connectors and Pin Definitions

1. Primary Flash Chips

The primary flash chip enhances the backplane memory.

2. Expander Chips

This expander chip allows the backplane to support dual ports, cascading, and failover.

3. - 5. SAS Ports

The primary and secondary sets of SAS ports provide expander features including cascading and failover. From right to left the ports are Primary 1, 2, 3 and Secondary 1, 2 and 3.

6. EPP Ports

The EPP ports are used for manufacturer diagnostic purposes only.

7. Fan Connectors

The 3-pin connectors, designated FAN1, FAN2, and FAN3, provide power to the fans. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

8. Backplane Main Power Connectors

The 4-pin connectors, designated PWR1, PWR2, PWR3, PWR4, PWR5, and PWR6, provide power to the backplane. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

### Fan Connectors

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<td>+12V</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Tachometer</td>
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### Backplane Main Power 4-Pin Connector

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<td>2 and 3</td>
<td>Ground</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>+5V</td>
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D-8 Rear Jumper Locations and Pin Definitions

Figure D-3. Front Jumper Locations and Pin Definitions

Explanation of Jumpers

To modify the operation of the backplane, jumpers can be used to choose between optional settings. Jumpers create shorts between two pins to change the function of the connector. Pin 1 is identified with a square solder pad on the printed circuit board. Note: On two pin jumpers, "Closed" means the jumper is on and "Open" means the jumper is off the pins.
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<td>PRI_MODE1</td>
<td>1-2</td>
<td>Factory setting do not change</td>
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<tr>
<td>BUZZER_ENB1</td>
<td>Open: Disable</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Closed: Enable</td>
<td></td>
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<td>Buzzer enable*</td>
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## Front Panel LEDs

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<td>Backplane power failure. Light is on during normal operation.</td>
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<td>5V_LED1</td>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>Backplane power failure. Light is on during normal operation.</td>
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*The buzzer alarm is triggered by the following conditions:

1. Hard drive failure
2. Fan failure
3. System temperature over 45º Celsius.
D-9  Front Connectors and LED Indicators

Figure D-4: SAS Connectors

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D-10 Front Connectors and Jumpers

*Front Components*

Dual Port and Cascading Configurations

D-11 Single and Dual Port Expanders

Single Ports

SAS-216EL1 backplanes have a single-port expander on the daughter card, that accesses all twenty-four drives and supports cascading.

Dual Ports

SAS-216EL2 backplanes have dual-port expanders on the daughter cards, that access all twenty-four drives. These dual-port expanders support cascading, failover, and recovery.

Figure D-5. SAS-216EL2 Single Port Configuration

Figure D-6. SAS-216EL2 Dual Port Configuration
D-12 Failover

The SAS-216EL2 backplane has two expanders which allow effective failover and recovery.

**Single Host Bus Adapter**

In a single host bus configuration, the backplane connects to one host bus adapter (HBA).

![Figure D-7. Single HBA](image)

**Single Host Bus Adapter Failover**

If the expander or data path in Port A fails, the system automatically switches to Port B.

![Figure D-8. Single HBA Failover](image)

**Dual Host Bus Adapter**

In a dual host bus configuration, the backplane connects to two HBA's.

![Figure D-9. Dual HBA](image)

**Dual Host Bus Adapter Failover**

If the expander or data path in Port A fails, the system automatically switches to Port B. This maintains a full connection to all drives.

![Figure D-10. Dual HBA Failover](image)
D-13 Chassis Power Card and Support Cables

Chassis Power Card

In a cascaded configuration, the first chassis includes a motherboard and at least one HBA. Other servers in this enclosed system, include a power card. This section describes the supported power card for the SAS-216 series backplane.

For more information, see the Supermicro Web site at http://www.supermicro.com.

Figure D-10. Chassis Power Card (Sold Separately)

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<td>CSE-PTJBOD-CB1</td>
<td>Power Card</td>
<td>Allows the chassis to be in a JBOD (Just a Bunch of Drives) system.</td>
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Connectioning an Internal Host Bus Adapter to the Backplane

The following section lists the most common cables used to connect the HBA to the backplane.

**Figure D-11. Single Internal Host Bus Adapter**

**Figure D-12. Dual Internal Host Bus Adapter**

**Supported Internal HBA Cables**

Use the following listed cables to create connections between the internal HBA and SAS-216EL backplane. The cables required depend on the HBA connector.

**Cable Name:** iPAss to 4-LANE
**Part #:** CBL-0117L
**Length:** 46 cm (18 inches)

**Description:** This cable has one SFF-8484 (32-pin) connector on one end and an iPAss (SFF-8087/Mini-SAS) connector (36-pin) at the other. This cable connects from the HBA to the SAS-216EL backplane
Cable Name: iPass (Mini-SAS) to iPass (Mini-SAS)

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<td>CBL-0109L-02</td>
<td>22 cm (9 inches)</td>
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<td>CBL-0110L-02</td>
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Description: This cable has an iPass (SFF-8087/Mini-SAS) connector (36-pin) at each end. It connects from the HBA to the SAS-216EL backplane.
Connecting an External Host Bus Adapter to the Backplane

This backplane supports external host bus adapters. In this configuration, the HBA and the backplane are in different physical chassis. This allows a JBOD (Just a Bunch Of Drives) configuration from an existing system.

Single External Host Bus Adapter

![Single External Host Bus Adapter Diagram]

Figure D-13. Single External Host Bus Adapter

Dual External Host Bus Adapter

![Dual External Host Bus Adapter Diagram]

Figure D-14. Dual External Host Bus Adapter
Supported External HBA to Backplane Cable

Use the following cable if your external HBA has an InfiniBand connector.

Figure D-15. SAS InfiniBand Cable (CBL-0200L)

Cable Name: SAS InfiniBand to Mini SAS X4 1M cable, PBF
Part #: CBL-0200L
Length: 1 meter
Description: This cable has an InfiniBand connector (SFF-8470) on one end and an SFF-8088-1X (26-pin) at the other end.
Connecting Multiple Backplanes in a Single Channel Environment

This section describes the cables used when cascading from a single HBA. These connections use CBL-0167L internal cables and CBL-0166L external cables.

Figure D-16. Single HBA Configuration
Single HBA Configuration Cables

**Cable Name:** SAS EL2/EL1 Backplane Cable (Internal) with 2-port Cascading Cable, 68 cm  
**Part #:** CBL-0167L (SFF-8087 to SFF-8088 x1)  
**Ports:** Single  
**Placement:** Internal cable  
**Description:** Internal cable. Connects the backplane to the HBA or external port. Used in single port environments

![Figure D-17. Single Port Internal Cable (CBL-0167L)](image)

**Cable Name:** SAS EL2/EL1 Cascading Cable (External), 68 cm  
**Part #:** CBL-0166L (SFF-8088 1x to SFF-8088 x1)  
**Ports:** Single or dual  
**Placement:** External cable  
**Description:** External cascading cable. Connects ports between servers. With most connectors, use one cable for single port connections and two cables for dual port connections

![Figure D-18. External Cable (CBL-0166L)](image)
Connecting Multiple Backplanes in a Dual Channel Environment

This section describes the cables used when cascading from dual HBAs. These connections use CBL-0168L internal cables and CBL-0166L external cables.

Figure D-19. Dual HBA Configuration
Dual HBA Configuration Cables

Cable Name: SAS Dual-port Cable Assembly, 68/76 cm
Part #: CBL-0168L
Placement: Internal cable
Ports: Dual
Description: Internal cascading cable. Connects the backplane to the HBA or external port. Used in dual port environments.

Figure D-20. Dual Port Internal Cable (CBL-0168L)

Cable Name: SAS EL2/EL1 Cascading Cable (External), 68 cm
Part #: CBL-0166L
Placement: External Cable
Ports: Single or Dual
Description: External cascading cable. Connects ports between servers. Use one cable for single port connections and two cables for dual port connections.

Figure D-21. External Cable (CBL-0166L)
D-14 Supported Cascading Configurations

Cascading allows the system to access data at a faster rate by allowing several backplanes to share resources to reduce latency time.

The first backplane in a cascaded system requires a motherboard and HBA. Other servers require a power control card with no motherboard and no HBA.

![Simple Cascaded Configuration Diagram]

Figure D-22. Simple Cascaded Configuration
Server System with Single SAS HBA

The expanders allow horizontal branching. This configuration also applies to dual ports.

Figure D-23. Cascaded Configuration with Horizontal Branching
Dual SAS HBA and Cascaded Configuration

Figure D-24. Dual SAS HBA with Cascaded Configuration
Dual SAS HBA and Cascaded Configuration with Branching

Figure D-25. Dual SAS HBA with Cascaded Configuration and Branching
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E-5 Connectors

Figure E-1: Connectors on the Backplane and Daughter Cards

Connectors

1. Flash Chip
2. Expander Chip
3. SAS Port: PRI_J1
4. SAS Port: PRI_J2
5. SAS Port: PRI_J3
6. EPP Connectors: J2
7. Fan Connectors: Fan1, Fan2, and Fan3
8. Power Connectors: PWR1 - PWR4
9. Debug Connector: EXPDBG1
10. UART Connector: SMART_UART
E-6 Front Connector and Pin Definitions

1. Flash Chips
   The flash chip enhances the backplane memory.

2. Expander Chips
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   The 3-pin connectors, designated FAN1, FAN2, and FAN3, provide power to the fans. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

8. Backplane Main Power Connectors
   The 4-pin connectors are designated PWR1, PWR2, PWR3 and PWR4. They provide power to the backplane. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

9. Debug Connector
   The debug connector is designated EX-PDBG1 and is used for manufacturer's diagnostic purposes only.

10. UART Connector
    The UART connector is designated SMART_UART and is used for manufacturer's diagnostic purposes only.

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Figure E-2: Jumper Locations and Pin Definitions

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<td>Pins 2-3</td>
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<td>REMOTE_FAN_FAIL1</td>
<td>Open: Enable (Default)</td>
<td>Enables / disables the fan speed reporting.</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
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<td>Enables / disables the FANFAIL1 LED</td>
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<td>Buzzer enable*</td>
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<td>Closed: Enable</td>
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1. Hard drive failure
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Figure E-3: Rear LEDs
## E-8 Front Connectors and LED Indicators

![Figure E-4: Front Connectors and LEDs](image)

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Dual Port and Cascading Configurations

E-9 Single and Dual Port Expanders

Single Ports

SAS2-216EL1 model backplanes have a single-port expander on the daughter card that accesses all of the drives and supports cascading.

![Port A Primary Ports Expander 1](image)

From HBA or higher backplane

To Lower Backplane in Cascaded System

Figure E-5: SAS2-216EL1 Single Port Configuration

Dual Ports

SAS2-216EL2 model backplanes have dual-port expanders on the daughter cards that access all of the hard drives. These dual-port expanders support cascading, failover, and recovery.

![Port B Secondary Ports Expander 2](image)

From HBA or higher backplane

To Lower Backplane in Cascaded System

![Port A Primary Ports Expander 1](image)

From HBA or higher backplane

To Lower Backplane in Cascaded System

Figure E-6. SAS2-216EL2 Dual Port Configuration
E-10 Failover

The SAS2-216EL2 model backplane has two expanders which enable effective failover and recovery.

**Single Host Bus Adapter**

In a single host bus configuration, the backplane connects to one Host Bus Adapter (HBA).

**Single Host Bus Adapter Failover**

If the expander or data path in Port A fails, the system automatically switches to Port B.

*Figure E-7: Single HBA*

*Figure E-8. Single HBA Failover*
E-11 Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs

The SAS-216EL backplane may be configured for failover with multiple HBAs using either RAID controllers or HBAs to achieve failover protection.

**RAID Controllers:** If RAID controllers are used, then the failover is accomplished through port failover on the same RAID card.

**HBAs:** If multiple HBAs are used to achieve failover protection and load balancing, Linux MPIO software must be installed and correctly configured to perform the load balancing and failover tasks.

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**Dual Host Bus Adapter**

In a dual host bus configuration, the backplane connects to two HBA’s.

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**Dual Host Bus Adapter Failover**

If the expander or data path in Port A fails, the system automatically switches to Port B. This maintains a full connection to all drives.

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**IMPORTANT:** For RAID controllers, redundancy is achieved through port failover. For multiple HBAs MPIO software is required to achieve failover protection.
E-12 Chassis Power Card and Support Cables

Chassis Power Card

In a cascaded configuration, the first chassis includes a motherboard and at least one Host Bus Adapter. Other servers in this enclosed system must be equipped with a power card. This section describes the supported power card for the SAS2-216EL series backplane.

For more information, see the Supermicro Web site at http://www.supermicro.com.

![Power Card Diagram](image)

**Figure E-11. Chassis Power Card (Sold Separately)**

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<td>Allows the chassis to be used as a JBOD (Just a Bunch of Drives) system.</td>
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Connecting an Internal HBA to the Backplane

The following section lists the most common cables used to connect the HBA to the backplane.

**Figure E-12. Single Internal Host Bus Adapter**

**Figure E-13. Dual Internal Host Bus Adapter**

**Supported Internal HBA Cables**

Use the following cables to create connections between the internal HBA and SAS2-216EL model backplane. The cables required depend upon the HBA connector.

**Cable Name:** iPass to 4-Lane  
**Part #:** CBL-0117L  
**Length:** 46 cm (18 inches)  
**Description:** This cable has one SFF-8484 (32-pin) connector at one end and one iPass (SFF-8087/Mini-SAS) connector (36-pin) at the other. This cable connects from the HBA to the SAS2-216EL backplane.

**IMPORTANT:** See Section E-11 of this manual, *Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs* for important information on supported configurations.
Cable Name: iPass (Mini-SAS) to iPass (Mini-SAS)

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Connecting an External HBA to the Backplane

This backplane supports external host bus adapters. In this configuration, the HBA and the backplane are in different physical chassis. This allows a JBOD (Just a Bunch Of Drives) configuration from an existing system.

Single External Host Bus Adapter

![Diagram of Single External Host Bus Adapter]

Figure E-14. Single External Host Adapter

Dual External Host Bus Adapter

![Diagram of Dual External Host Bus Adapter]

Figure E-15. Dual External Host Bus Adapter

**IMPORTANT:** See Section E-11 of this manual, *Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs* for important information on supported configurations.
Supported External HBA to Backplane Cable

Use the following cable if your external HBA has an InfiniBand connector.

Figure E-16. SAS InfiniBand Cable (CBL-0200L)

**Cable Name:** SAS InfiniBand to Mini-SAS X4 1M cable, PBF  
**Part #:** CBL-0200L  
**Length:** 1 meter  
**Description:** This cable has an InfiniBand connector (SFF-8470) on one end and an SFF-8088-1X (26-pin) connector at the other end.
Connecting Multiple Backplanes in a Single Channel Environment

This section describes the cables used when cascading from a single HBA. These connections use CBL-0167L internal cables and CBL-0166L external cables.
Single HBA Configuration Cables

![Image of Single Port Internal Cable (CBL-0167L)](image)

**Cable Name:** SAS EL2/EL1 Backplane Cable (internal) with 2-port Cascading Cable, 68 cm  
**Part #:** CBL-0167L (SFF-8087 to SFF-8088 x1)  
**Ports:** Single  
**Placement:** Internal cable  
**Description:** Internal cable. Connects the backplane to the HBA or external port. Used in single port environments

![Image of External Cable (CBL-0166L)](image)

**Cable Name:** SAS EL2/EL1 Cascading Cable (External), 68 cm  
**Part #:** CBL-0166L (SFF-8088 1x to SFF-8088 x1)  
**Ports:** Single or Dual  
**Placement:** External cable  
**Description:** External cascading cable. Connects ports between servers. With most connectors, use one cable for single port connections and two cables for dual port connections.
Connecting Multiple Backplanes in a Dual Channel Environment

This section describes the cables used when cascading from dual HBAs. These connections use CBL-0168L internal cables and CBL-0166L external cables.

![Diagram of Dual HBA Configuration]

**Figure E-20. Dual HBA Configuration**

**IMPORTANT:** See Section E-11 of this manual, _Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs_ for important information on supported configurations.
Cable Name: SAS Dual-port Cable Assembly, 68/76 cm
Part #: CBL-0168L
Placement: Internal cable
Ports: Dual
Description: Internal cascading cable. Connects the backplane to the host bus adapter or external port. Used in dual port environments.

Cable Name: SAS EL2/EL1 Cascading Cable (External), 68 cm
Part #: CBL-0166L
Placement: External Cable
Ports: Single or Dual
Description: External cascading cable. Connects ports between servers. Use one cable for single port connections and two cables for dual port connections.
E-13 Supported Cascading Configurations

Cascading allows the system to access data at a faster rate by allowing several backplanes to share resources to reduce latency time.

The first backplane in a cascaded system requires a motherboard and an HBA. Other servers require a power control card with no motherboard and no HBA. For more information, specific chassis manuals are available at www.supermicro.com.

Figure E-23. Simple Cascaded Configuration
Server System with Single SAS HBA

The expanders allow horizontal branching. This configuration also applies to dual ports.

Figure E-24. Cascaded Configuration with Horizontal Branching
Dual SAS HBA and Cascaded Configuration

IMPORTANT: See Section E-11 of this manual, *Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs* for important information on supported configurations.
Dual SAS HBA and Cascaded Configuration with Branching

Figure E-26. Dual SAS HBA Cascaded Configuration and Branching

**IMPORTANT:** See Section E-11 of this manual, *Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs* for important information on supported configurations.
Appendix F

SAS3-216A Backplane Specifications

F-1  ESD Safety Guidelines

Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) can damage electronic components. To prevent damage to your system, it is important to handle it very carefully. The following measures are generally sufficient to protect your equipment from ESD.

• Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.

• Touch a grounded metal object before removing a component from the antistatic bag.

• Handle the backplane by its edges only; do not touch its components, peripheral chips, memory modules or gold contacts.

• When handling chips or modules, avoid touching their pins.

• Put the card and peripherals back into their antistatic bags when not in use.

F-2  General Safety Guidelines

To avoid personal injury and property damage, carefully follow all the safety steps listed below when accessing your system or handling the components.

• Always disconnect power cables before installing or removing any components from the computer, including the backplane.

• Disconnect the power cable before installing or removing any cables from the backplane.

• Make sure that the backplane is securely and properly installed on the motherboard to prevent damage to the system due to power shortage.
F-3   A Note to Users

All images and layouts in this user’s guide are based upon the latest PCB revision available at the time of publishing. The card you have received may not look exactly the same as the graphics in this manual.

F-4   Front Connectors and Jumpers

Front Connectors

4. SAS IN#1 JSM1
5. SAS IN#2 JSM2
6. SAS IN#3 JSM3
7. SAS IN#4 JSM4
8. SAS IN#5 JSM5
9. SAS IN#6 JSM6
F-5  Front Connector and Pin Definitions

1. Upgrade Connectors
The upgrade connectors are used for manufacturer diagnostic purposes only.

3. Backplane Main Power Connectors

4. - 9. SAS IN Ports (Sideband included)
The SAS ports are used to connect the SAS drive cables. The six SAS IN ports are designated #JSM1 - #JSM6. Each port is also compatible with SATA drives.

F-6  Jumpers

Explanation of Jumpers
To modify the operation of the backplane, jumpers can be used to choose between optional settings. Jumpers create shorts between two pins to change the function of the connector. Pin 1 is identified with a square solder pad on the printed circuit board. Note: On two pin jumpers, "Closed" means the jumper is on and "Open" means the jumper is off the pins.

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F-7  Rear Components, Connectors and LED Indicators

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Overview of the SAS3-216EL1/EL2 Backplanes

The BPN-SAS3-216EL1/EL2 model backplanes consists of a BPN-SAS3-216EB backplane (X) with one or two BPN-SAS3-216EL daughter cards (Y and Z) mounted on the rear of the backplane.

The BPN-SAS3-216EL1 model consists of the BPN-SAS3-216EB backplane (X) and one BPN-SAS3-216EL primary daughter card (Y), mounted on the right-hand side of the backplane.

The BPN-SAS3-216EL2 model consists of the BPN-SAS3-216EB backplane (X) with a BPN-SAS3-216EL primary daughter card mounted on the right (Y) and a BPN-SAS3-216EL secondary daughter card mounted on the left (Z).

Components on the front side of the BPN-SAS3-216EB backplane include twenty-four SAS connectors and their respective activity and failure LEDs. Components on the rear side of the backplane include jumpers and power connectors. The daughter card's components include SAS ports, flash and expander chips.
G-2 ESD Safety Guidelines

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- Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.
- Touch a grounded metal object before removing a component from the antistatic bag.
- Handle the backplane and daughter cards by their edges only; do not touch its components, peripheral chips, memory modules or gold contacts.
- When handling chips or modules, avoid touching their pins.
- Put the card and peripherals back into their antistatic bags when not in use.

G-3 General Safety Guidelines

To avoid personal injury and property damage, carefully follow all the safety steps listed below when accessing your system or handling the components.

- Always disconnect power cables before installing or removing any components from the computer, including the backplane.
- Disconnect the power cable before installing or removing any cables from the backplane.
- Make sure that the backplane is securely and properly installed on the motherboard to prevent damage to the system due to power shortage.

G-4 An Important Note to Users

All images and layouts shown in this user's guide are based upon the latest PCB revision available at the time of publishing. The card you have received may or may not look exactly the same as the graphics shown in this manual.

G-5 Introduction to the Backplane

The BPN-SAS3-216EL1/EL2 model backplane has been designed to utilize the most up-to-date technology available, providing your system with reliable, high-quality performance.

This manual reflects the BPN-SAS3-216EB Revision 1.00 backplane, the most current release available at the time of publication.
This manual also describes the BPN-SAS3-216EL daughter card, Revision 1.01, the most current release available at the time of publication. Always refer to the Supermicro Web site at www.supermicro.com for the latest updates, compatible parts and supported configurations.

**G-6 Connectors and Daughter Cards**

![Diagram of backplane and daughter card connections]

**Rear of BPN-SAS3-261EB Backplane**

**Front of BPN-SAS3-216EL Daughter Card(s)**

**Figure G-2. Connectors and Daughter Cards**

**Connectors**

1. Flash Chip
2. Expander Chip
3. UART Connector: J5
4. SDB Connector: J10
5. Primary Expander Connector: PRI_I2C
6. SMB Expander Connector: J38
7. Power Connectors: PWR1 - PWR6
G-7 Front Connector and Pin Definitions

1. Flash Chips
   The flash chip enhances the backplane memory.

2. Expander Chips
   This expander chip allows the backplane to support dual ports, cascading, and failover.

3. UART Connector
   The UART connector is designated UART and J5. It is used for manufacturer’s diagnostic purposes only.

4. SDB Connector
   The SDB connector is designated SDB and J10. It is the debug connector and is used for manufacturer’s diagnostic purposes only.

5. Expander Connector
   The primary expander connector is designated PRI_i2C and is reserved for future expansion.

6. Expander Connector
   The secondary expander connector is designated J8. It is used to connect the chassis power cord and CSE-PTJBOD-CB3 for JBOD configuration.

7. Backplane Main Power Connectors
   The 4-pin connectors are designated PWR1 - PWR6. They provide power to the backplane. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

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Front SAS/SATA Connectors

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Figure G-3. Front Connectors and LEDs
## Front LED Indicators

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G-9 Single and Dual Port Expanders

Single Ports

BPN-SAS3-216EL1 model backplanes have a single-port expander on the daughter card that accesses all of the drives and supports cascading.

Dual Ports

BPN-SAS3-216EL2 model backplanes have dual-port expanders on the daughter cards that access all of the hard drives. These dual-port expanders support cascading, failover, and recovery.

Figure G-4. BPN-SAS3-216EL1 Single Port Configuration

Figure G-5. BPN-SAS3-216EL2 Dual Port Configuration
G-10 Failover

The BPN-SAS3-216EL2 model backplane has two expanders which enable effective failover and recovery.

Single Host Bus Adapter

In a single host bus configuration, the backplane connects to one Host Bus Adapter (HBA).

Single Host Bus Adapter Failover

If the expander or data path in Port A fails, the system automatically switches to Port B with application software or failover support.
G-11 Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs

The BPN-SAS3-216EL backplane may be configured for failover with multiple HBAs using either RAID controllers or HBAs to achieve failover protection.

**RAID Controllers:** If RAID controllers are used, then the failover is accomplished through port failover on the same RAID card.

**HBAs:** If multiple HBAs are used to achieve failover protection and load balancing, Linux MPIO software must be installed and correctly configured to perform the load balancing and failover tasks.

**Dual Host Bus Adapter**

In a dual host bus configuration, the backplane connects to two HBA's.

**Dual Host Bus Adapter Failover**

If the expander or data path in Port A fails, the system automatically switches to Port B. This maintains a full connection to all drives.

**IMPORTANT:** For RAID controllers, redundancy is achieved through port failover. For multiple HBAs MPIO software is required to achieve failover protection.
**G-12 Chassis Control Card and Support Cables**

**Chassis Control Card**

In a cascaded configuration, the first chassis includes a motherboard and at least one host bus adapter (HBA). Other servers in this enclosed system must be equipped with a control card. This section describes the supported control card for the BPN-SAS3-216EL series backplane.

For more information, see the Supermicro web site at http://www.supermicro.com.

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**Figure G-10: Chassis Control Card (Sold Separately)**

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<th>Part Number</th>
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<td>CSE-PTJBOD-CB3</td>
<td>Control card</td>
<td>Allows the chassis to be used as a JBOD (Just a Bunch of Drives) system, which supports IPMI for remote on/off control.</td>
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Connecting an Internal HBA to the Backplane

The following section lists the most common cables used to connect the HBA to the backplane.

**Figure G-11 Single Internal Host Bus Adapter**

**Figure G-12. Dual Internal Host Bus Adapter**

Supported Internal HBA Cables

Use the following cables to create connections between the internal HBA and BPN-SAS3-216EL model backplane. The cables required depend upon the HBA connector

**IMPORTANT:** See Section <update>3-3 of this manual, *Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs* for important information on supported configurations.
Cable Name: Internal iPass (Mini-SAS) to HD (Mini-SAS)

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<th>Part #</th>
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<td>CBL-SAST-0508-01</td>
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<tr>
<td>CBL-SAST-0507-01</td>
<td>80 cm (31 inches)</td>
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Description: This cable has an iPass (SFF-8087/Mini-SAS) connector (36-pin) at one end and a Mini-SAS HD (SFF-8643) connector at the other end. It connects from the SAS2 HBA to the BPN-SAS3-216EL model backplane.

Cable name: Internal HD (Mini-SAS) to HD (Mini-SAS)

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<td>CBL-SAST-0593</td>
<td>60 cm (23 inches)</td>
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<tr>
<td>CBL-SAST-0531</td>
<td>80 cm (31 inches)</td>
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Description: This cable has a Mini-SAS HD (SFF-8643) connector at both ends. It connects from the SAS3 HBA to the BPN-SAS2-216EL model backplane.
Connecting an External HBA to the Backplane

This backplane supports external host bus adapters. In this configuration, the HBA and the backplane are in different physical chassis. This allows a JBOD (Just a Bunch Of Drives) configuration from an existing system.

Single External Host Bus Adapter

![Diagram of Single External Host Bus Adapter]

Figure G-13. Single External Host Adapter

Dual External Host Bus Adapter

![Diagram of Dual External Host Bus Adapter]

Figure G-15. Dual External Host Bus Adapter

**IMPORTANT:** See Section 3-3 of this manual, *Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs* for important information on supported configurations.
Connecting Multiple Backplanes in a Single Channel Environment

This section describes the cables used when cascading from a single HBA. These connections use CBL-SAST-0531 internal cables and CBL-SAST-0573 external cables.

Figure G-16. Single HBA Configuration
Single HBA Configuration Cables

**Figure G-17** External Mini-SAS HD to External Mini-SAS HD Cable

**Cable Name:** 1 Meter External Mini-SAS HD to External Mini-SAS HD Cable  
**Part #:** CBL-SAST-0573  
**Ports:** Single  
**Placement:** External Cable  
**Description:** External cascading cable, connects ports between servers and JBODs.

**Figure G-18.** Mini-SAS HD Internal to External Adapter

**Cable Name:** 16-port Mini-SAS HD Internal to External Cable Adapter with LP Bracket  
**Part #:** AOM-SAS3-16I16E-LP  
**Ports:** Four wide-ports (sixteen ports total)  
**Placement:** Internal cable with adapter  
**Description:** Internal cable, connects the SAS3 backplane to external ports.
Connecting Multiple Backplanes in a Dual Channel Environment

This section describes the cables used when cascading from dual HBAs. These connections use CBL-SAST-0531 internal cables and CBL-SAST-0573 external cables.

![Diagram of Dual HBA Configuration]

Figure G-19. Dual HBA Configuration

**IMPORTANT:** See Section 3-3 of this manual, *Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs* for important information on supported configurations.
G-13 Supported Cascading Configurations

Cascading allows the system to access data at a faster rate by allowing several backplanes to share resources to reduce latency time.

The first backplane in a cascaded system requires a motherboard and an HBA. Other servers require a chassis control card with no motherboard and no HBA. For more information, specific chassis manuals are available at www.supermicro.com.
Dual SAS HBA and Cascaded Configuration

CBL-SAST-0531 (Internal Cable)

CBL-SAST-0573 (External Cables)

Figure G-21. Dual SAS HBA with Cascaded Configuration

IMPORTANT: See Section 3-3 of this manual, *Failover with RAID Cards and Multiple HBAs* for important information on supported configurations.
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Appendix H

BPN-SAS3-216EL1-N4 Backplane Specifications

Overview of the SAS3-216EL1-N4 Backplane

The Appendix H BPN-SAS3-216EL1-N4 backplane has been designed to utilize the most up-to-date technology available, providing your system with reliable, high-quality performance.

The Appendix H BPN-SAS3-216EL1-N4 is composed of the backplane model BPN-SAS3-216EB1-N4, Rev 1.01, and the daughter board model BPN-SAS3-216EL1, Rev 1.01. These are the most current releases available at the time of publication. Refer to the Supermicro website at www.supermicro.com for the latest updates, compatible parts and supported configurations.
This manual covers Appendix H BPN-SAS3-216EL1-N4 with NVMe capabilities.

H-1 Rear Connector Locations

The following connectors are on the side of the backplane that faces the rear of the chassis. They are marked by silkscreen labels.

1. Power Connectors: PWR1-PWR3 (4-pin)
2. NVMe #4 Connector: JSM7
3. NVMe #3 Connector: JSM6
4. NVMe #2 Connector: JSM5
5. NVMe #1 Connector: JSM4
6. CPLD chip
7. CPLD upgrade: J27 (7-pin)
8. SMB: J38 (4-pin)
10. Cascade In/Out: J9A
11. Cascade In/Out: J9B
12. Cascade In/Out: J9C
13. Expander In/Out: J9D
14. LSI SAS3X40

Figure H-1. Rear Connector Locations
H-2 Rear Connector Definitions

1. Main Power Connectors
   The 4-pin connectors, designated PWR1 through PWR6, provide power to the backplane.

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<td>Ground</td>
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<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>+5V</td>
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</table>

2-5. NVMe Connectors
   JSM4 through JSM7 provide connections for the NVMe drive cables. Pins are defined according the NVMe standard.

6-7. Complex Programmable Logic Device (CPLD) and Upgrade Header
   This programable chip allows the backplane to support NVMe devices.

8. Primary SMB Connector
   This header provides a connection with an optional JBOD control board.

9. Primary I²C Connector
   This I²C connector is designated J31.

10.-13. SAS Cable Sockets
   Cascade in or out: J9A - J9D

14. LSI SAS3X40 Expander chip

Note: Connectors not described are for engineering or manufacturing diagnostics only.
H-3  Rear Jumpers

![Figure H-2. Rear Jumpers](image)

**Jumper Settings**

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<th>Setting</th>
<th>NVMe to CPU Connection</th>
<th>NVMe Cables</th>
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<td>JP8: CPU_SEL0</td>
<td>Open</td>
<td>Slot 1-4 connected to one CPU (CPU1 or CPU2)</td>
<td>VPP to CPU1: NVMe #1</td>
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<tr>
<td>JP9: CPU_SEL1</td>
<td>Open</td>
<td>Slot 1-3 connected to CPU 1</td>
<td>VPP to CPU2: NVMe #1</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>Slot 1-2 connected to CPU 1</td>
<td>NVMe #1</td>
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<td>Slot 2-4 connected to CPU 2</td>
<td>NVMe #2</td>
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**Explanation of Jumpers**

To modify the operation of the backplane, jumpers can be used to choose between optional settings. Jumpers create shorts between two pins to change the function of the connector. Pin 1 is identified with a square solder pad on the printed circuit board. **Note:** On two pin jumpers, "Closed" means the jumper is on and "Open" means the jumper is off the pins.
H-4 Rear LED Indicators

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<th>Specification</th>
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<td>5V_LED1</td>
<td>On</td>
<td>Indicates normal operation. Light off indicates a 5V power failure</td>
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<td>12V_LED1</td>
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<td>Indicates normal operation. Light off indicates a 12V power failure</td>
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<tr>
<td>OVERHEATFAIL1</td>
<td>On</td>
<td>Indicates the temperature exceeds normal operation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>HB_LED</td>
<td>Blinking</td>
<td>Blinking heart beat indicates the expander is running normally with firmware loaded.</td>
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Figure H-3. Rear LEDs
H-5  Front Connectors and LED Indicators

The drive slots labeled SAS#0 through SAS#21 are for SAS3 or SATA3 storage devices. Drive slots labeled SAS#22 and SAS#23 are hybrid ports that support SAS3, SATA3 or NVMe.

48 LEDs, two per receptacle, indicate activity and failure.
(along the bottom of the backplane)

Figure H-4. Front Connectors and LEDs
(table on following page)

Note: For the hybrid ports, SAS#22 and SAS#23, when using NVMe, it is best to have both of the NVMe cables connected at all times, even if a slot does not have an NVMe device. This is particularly true for the slot that provides the VPP connections, otherwise the other NVMe devices connected to the same CPU will not work.
### Front SAS/SATA Connectors and LED Indicators

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*Hybrid ports; NVMe, SAS, or SATA

**For hybrid ports, this failure LED is multi-color, as described in the table below.

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<td>Red, blinking at 1Hz</td>
<td>Rebuild</td>
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<td>Red, blinking at 4Hz</td>
<td>Identify</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Amber, blinking**</td>
<td>Attention! Do not remove NVMe device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Green**</td>
<td>NVMe device ready be removed</td>
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Cascading Configurations

H-6 Expander

BPN-SAS3-216EL1 model daughter cards have a single expander that accesses all of the twenty-four SAS ports supporting drives connected through the slots on the baseboard and also sixteen ports of SAS up-links or down-links through four Mini-SAS HD cable sockets.

Figure H-5. Port Configuration
(For eight SAS up-links and eight SAS down-links)
H-7 JBOD Control Board and Support Cables

JBOD Control Board

In a cascaded configuration, the first chassis includes a motherboard and at least one host bus adapter (HBA). Other "Just a Bunch Of Disks" (JBOD) chassis in the system must be equipped with a JBOD Control Board (such as CSE-PTJBOD-CB3). This board is available as a separate product and is used to manage the power and IPMI (in place of a motherboard) for the JBOD chassis. For more information, see the Supermicro website (www.supermicro.com).

![Figure H-6. JBOD Control Board (Sold Separately)](image_url)

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<td>JBOD Control Board</td>
<td>Allows the chassis to be used as a JBOD system; supports IPMI for remote power control.</td>
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Connecting Multiple Internal HBAs to the Backplane

The following section lists the most common cables used to connect the HBA to the backplane.

Figure H-7. Internal Host Bus Adapters
Supported Internal HBA Cables

Use the following cables to create connections between the internal HBA and the backplane. The cables required depend upon the HBA connector.

**Cable Name:** Internal iPass (Mini-SAS) to HD (Mini-SAS)

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<td>CBL-SAST-0508-01</td>
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<td>CBL-SAST-0507-01</td>
<td>80 cm (31 inches)</td>
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**Description:** This cable has an iPass (SFF-8087/Mini-SAS) connector (36-pin) at one end and a Mini-SAS HD (SFF-8643) connector at the other end. It connects from the SAS2 HBA to the BPN-SAS3-216EL model backplane.

**Cable name:** Internal HD (Mini-SAS) to HD (Mini-SAS)

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<td>CBL-SAST-0593</td>
<td>60 cm (23 inches)</td>
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<td>CBL-SAST-0531</td>
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**Description:** This cable has a Mini-SAS HD (SFF-8643) connector at both ends. It connects from the SAS3 HBA to the BPN-SAS2-216EL model backplane.
Connecting an External HBA to the Backplane

This backplane supports external host bus adapters. In this configuration, the HBA and the backplane are in different physical chassis. This allows a JBOD (Just a Bunch Of Drives) configuration from an existing system.

Single External Host Bus Adapter

![Diagram of Single External Host Bus Adapter](image)

Figure H-8. Single External Host Adapter
Connecting Multiple Backplanes in a Single Channel Environment

This section describes the cables used when cascading from a single HBA. These connections use CBL-SAST-0531 internal cables and CBL-SAST-0573 external cables.

![Figure H-9. Single HBA Configuration](image-url)
Single HBA Configuration Cables

**Cable Name:** 16-port Mini-SAS HD Internal to External Cable Adapter with LP Bracket

**Part #:** AOM-SAS3-16I16E-LP

**Ports:** Four wide-ports (sixteen ports total)

**Placement:** Internal cable with adapter

**Description:** Internal cable, connects the SAS3 backplane to external ports.

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**Figure H-10.** External Mini-SAS HD to External Mini-SAS HD Cable

**Cable Name:** 1 Meter External Mini-SAS HD to External Mini-SAS HD Cable

**Part #:** CBL-SAST-0573

**Ports:** Single

**Placement:** External Cable

**Description:** External cascading cable, connects ports between servers and JBODs.

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**Figure H-11.** Mini-SAS HD Internal to External Adapter
H-8  Supported Cascading Configurations

Cascading allows the system to access data at a faster rate by allowing several backplanes to share resources to reduce latency time.

The first backplane in a cascaded system requires a motherboard and an HBA. Other servers require a JBOD Control Board, but no motherboard and no HBA. For more information, specific chassis manuals are available at www.supermicro.com.

Figure H-12. Simple Cascaded Configuration
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