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About this User's Guide

This user's guide is written for system integrators, IT technicians, and knowledgeable end users. It provides information for the installation and use of the AOC-MGP-i2/i4 add-on card.

About this Add-on Card

The Supermicro® Super I/O Modules provide flexible I/O networking options and the AOC-MGP-i2 and AOC-MGP-i4 are the most flexible and scalable GbE SIOM controllers with dual and quad-port options. Based on the Intel® GbE network controller i350, the AOC-MGP-i2 and AOC-MGP-i4 are designed with performance enhancing features and power management technologies.

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⚠️ **Warning**: Important information given to ensure proper system installation or to prevent damage to the components or injury to yourself.

**Note**: Additional information given for proper system setup.

Naming Convention for Standard Network Adaptors

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Overview

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Congratulations on purchasing your add-on card from an acknowledged leader in the industry. Supermicro products are designed with the utmost attention to detail to provide you with the highest standards in quality and performance. For product support and updates, please refer to our website at http://www.supermicro.com/products/nfo/networking.cfm#adapter.

1-2  Product Highlights

The product highlights of this add-on card include the following:

• Super I/O Module (SIOM) Form Factor

• Intel® i350 GbE controller

• Dual and Quad RJ45 Connectors

• VMDq and SR-IOV for Virtualized Environments

• Jumbo Frames support

• Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE)

• iSCSI Remote Boot Support

• PXE Boot Support

• Support for most Network Operating Systems

• Asset Management Features

• NC-SI for Remote Management

• RoHS compliant 6/6
1-3 Technical Specifications

**General**
- Intel® i350 GbE controller
- Super I/O Module (SIOM) Form Factor
- Dual RJ45 ports (AOC-MGP-i2)
- Quad RJ45 ports (AOC-MGP-i4)
- Load balancing on multiple CPUs
- Intel I/O Acceleration Technology (Intel I/OAT)

**Ethernet Features**
- IEEE 802.3 auto-negotiation for speed, duplex, and flow control
- IEEE 802.3x and 802.3z compliant flow control support
- Automatic cross-over detection function (MDI/MDI-X)
- 1Gb/s Ethernet IEEE 802.3, 802.3u, 802.3ab PHY specifications Compliant
- IEEE 1588 protocol and 802.1AS implementation

**Power Management and Efficiency**
- Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE)
- DMA Coalescing reduces platform power consumption
- Active State Power Management (ASPM) support
- LAN disable function
- MAC Power Management controls
- Low Power Link Up – Link Speed Control
Virtualization Features
- PCI-SIG SR-IOV support
- VM to VM Packet forwarding (Packet Loopback)
- Flexible Port Partitioning
- IEEE 802.1q VLAN support
- IEEE 802.1q advanced packet filtering
- Jumbo Frames support

Performance Features
- TCP/UDP, IPv4 and IPv6 checksum offloads to improve CPU usage
- Low Latency Interrupts
- Tx TCP segmentation offload (IPv4, IPv6) increases throughput and lowers processor usage
- Receive Side Scaling (RSS) for Windows environment, Scalable I/O for Linux environments
- Intelligent interrupt generation
- TCP segmentation/large send offload
- Interrupt moderation

OS Support
The AOC-MGP-i2/i4 add-on card supports the following operating systems:
- Windows 8.1, 8, 7 (x64 Edition)
- RedHat Linux
- SUSE Linux
- FreeBSD
• UEFI

• VMware

**Cable Support**

• RJ45 Category 5/5e up to 100m

**Power Consumption**

• AOC-MGP-i2: Typical 3W, Maximum 3.7W

• AOC-MGP-i4: Typical 3.7W, Maximum 4.4W

**Operating Conditions**

• Operating temperature: 0°C to 55°C (32°F to 131°F)

• Storage temperature: -40°C to 70°C (-40°F to 158°F)

• Storage humidity: 90% non-condensing relative humidity at 35°C

**Physical Dimensions**

• Card PCB dimensions: 92mm (3.62in) x 87.1mm (3.43in) (W x D)

**Compliance Platforms**

• RoHS Compliant 6/6, Pb Free

**Supported Platforms**

• Supermicro® motherboards with Super I/O Module slot

• Supermicro® server systems with Super I/O Module slot
Chapter 2

Hardware Components

2-1 Add-On Card Image and Layout

The AOC-MGP-i2 Image

The AOC-MGP-i2 Layout

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<td>3. RJ45 LAN Port 2</td>
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The AOC-MGP-i4 Image

The AOC-MGP-i4 Layout

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<td>4. RJ45 LAN Port 3</td>
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2-2 Major Components

The following major components are on the AOC-MGP-i2:

1. Intel i350-AM2
2. LAN Port 1
3. LAN Port 2
4. JPL1 - LAN Port Enable/Disable

The following major components are on the AOC-MGP-i4:

1. Intel i350-AM4
2. LAN Port 1
3. LAN Port 2
4. LAN Port 3
5. LAN Port 4
6. JPL1 - LAN Port Enable/Disable
2-3 LAN Ports and LAN LED Indicators

LAN Ports

There are two 1GbE LAN ports on the AOC-MGP-i2 and four 1GbE LAN ports on the AOC-MGP-i4. These LAN ports support connection speeds of 1Gbps. Use a direct-attach RJ45 type LAN cable.

Note: Please refer to "Optional Accessories" on page 1-4 for recommended cables.

LAN Port LED Indicators

Each LAN port has two LEDs to indicate speed and data activity. Refer to the table below for LED color and definition.

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<th>Activity LED</th>
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<td><strong>LAN Port Link LED (Left)</strong></td>
<td><strong>LAN Port Activity LED (Right)</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>LED State</td>
<td>Color</td>
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<tr>
<td>LED Color</td>
<td>Color</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Green</td>
<td>100 Mbps</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Amber</td>
<td>1 Gbps</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Off</td>
<td>No Connection</td>
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2-4 Jumpers

Explanation of Jumpers

To modify the operation of the add-on card, a jumper can be used to choose between optional settings. A jumper creates 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. See the add-on card layout on pages 2-1 and 2-2 for the jumper location.

Note: On two-pin jumpers, "Closed" means the jumper is on and "Open" means the jumper is off the pins.

LAN Port Enable/Disable

Use jumper JPL1 to enable or disable LAN ports 1 and 2 on the AOC-MGP-i2. On the AOC-MGP-i4, this jumper will enable or disable LAN ports 1, 2, 3, and 4. See the table below for jumper settings. The default setting is Enabled.

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<th>Jumper setting</th>
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Chapter 3

Installation

3-1 Static-Sensitive Devices

Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) can damage electronic components. To avoid damaging your add-on card, it is important to handle it very carefully. The following measures are generally sufficient to protect your equipment from ESD.

Precautions

- Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.
- Touch a grounded metal object before removing the add-on card from the antistatic bag.
- Handle the add-on card by its edges only; do not touch its components.
- Put the add-on card back into the antistatic bags when not in use.
- For grounding purposes, make sure that your system chassis provides excellent conductivity between the power supply, the case, the mounting fasteners and the add-on card.

Unpacking

The add-on card is shipped in antistatic packaging to avoid static damage. When unpacking your component or system, make sure you are static protected.

>Note: To avoid damaging your components and to ensure proper installation, always connect the power cord last, and always unplug it before adding, removing or changing any hardware components.
3-2 Before Installation

Before you install the add-on card, follow the instructions below.

1. Power down the system.

2. Unplug the power cord.

3. Use industry-standard anti-static equipment such as gloves or a wrist strap and follow the precautions on page 3-1 to avoid damage caused by ESD.

4. Familiarize yourself with the server, motherboard, and/or chassis documentation.

5. Confirm that your operating system includes the latest updates and hotfixes.

3-3 Installing the Add-on Card

Follow the steps below to install the add-on card into your system.

1. Remove the server cover and, if any, set aside any screws for later use.

2. Remove the add-on card slot cover. If the slot cover has a screw, place it aside for later use.

3. Position the add-on card in front of the SIOM slot and gently push in both sides of the card until it slides into the slot.

![SIOM card with the bracket installed]

**Note:** This add-on card does not support hot plug. Please turn off the AC power and remove the power cord from the wall socket before you install or remove the add-on card.
Follow this step to install the add-on card if your system does not support a swappable bracket. Insert the SIOM card in the motherboard and then install the motherboard in the chassis. An internal bracket comes with the SIOM card 1U chassis SKU. It needs to be installed onto the chassis.

4. Secure the add-on card to the chassis. If required, use the screw that you previously removed.

5. Attach any necessary external cables to the add-on card.

6. Replace the system cover.

7. Plug in the power cord and power up the system.
3-4 Installing Drivers on Windows

Follow the steps below to install the drivers for Windows. Download the drivers from the Supermicro FTP site at ftp://ftp.supermicro.com/Networking_Drivers/.

1. Run CDR-NIC.

2. When the SUPERMICRO window appears, click on the computer icon next to the product model.

Note: If the FOUND NEW HARDWARE WIZARD screen displays on your system, click CANCEL.
3. Click on INSTALL DRIVERS AND SOFTWARE.

4. Follow the prompts to complete the installation.

3-5 Installing Drivers on Linux

Follow the steps below to install the drivers in Linux.

Build a Binary RPM Package

1. Run `rpmbuild -tb <filename.tar.gz>`

2. Replace `<filename.tar.gz>` with the specific filename of the driver.

   Note: For the build to work properly, the current running kernel MUST match the version and configuration of the installed kernel sources. If you have just recompiled the kernel, reboot the system at this time.

Follow the instructions below to build the driver manually.

1. Move the base driver tar file to the directory of your choice. For example:

   /home/username/ixgbe

   or

   /usr/local/src/ixgbe

2. Untar/unzip archive, where `<x.x.x>` is the version number for the driver tar file:

   `tar zxf ixgbe-x.x.x.tar.gz`

3. Change to the driver src directory, where `<x.x.x>` is the version number for the driver tar:

   `cd ixgbe-x.x.x/src/`
4. Compile the driver module:

   make install

   The binary will be installed as:

   /lib/modules/[KERNEL_VERSION]/kernel/drivers/net/ixgbe/ixgbe.[k]o

   The install locations listed above are the default locations. They may not be correct for certain Linux distributions. For more information, see the ldistrib.txt file included in the driver tar.

   \Note: IXGBE_NO_LRO is a compile time flag. The user can enable it at compile time to remove support for LRO from the driver. The flag is used by adding CFLAGS_EXTRA="-DIXGBE_NO_LRO" to the make file when it’s being compiled.

   make CFLAGS_EXTRA="-DIXGBE_NO_LRO" install

5. Load the module:

   For kernel 2.6.x, use the modprobe command:

   modprobe ixgbe <parameter>=<value>

   For 2.6 kernels, the \texttt{insmod} command can be used if the full path to the driver module is specified. For example:

   \texttt{insmod /lib/modules/<KERNEL_VERSION>/kernel/drivers/net/ixgbe/ixgbe.ko}

   In addition, when using 2.6-based kernels, make sure that older ixgbe drivers are removed from the kernel before loading the new module. To do this, use:

   \texttt{rmmod ixgbe; modprobe ixgbe}

6. Assign an IP address to the interface by entering the following, where x is the interface number:

   \texttt{ifconfig ethx <IP_address> netmask <netmask>}

7. Verify that the interface works. Enter the following, where \texttt{<IP_address>} is the IP address for another machine on the same subnet as the interface that is being tested:

   \texttt{ping <IP_address>}

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3-6 Installing Drivers on FreeBSD

Follow the instructions below to install the drivers in FreeBSD kernel 4.8 or later. In the instructions below, x.x.x is the driver version as indicated in the name of the drive tar file.

Note: You must have kernel sources installed in order to compile the driver module.

1. Move the base driver tar file to the directory of your choice. For example, use /home/username/ixgb or /usr/local/src/ixgb.

2. Untar/unzip the archive:

   tar xofz ixgb-x.x.x directory

3. To install man page:

   cd ixgb-x.x.x
   gzip -c ixgb.4 > /usr/share/man/man4/ixgb.4.gz

4. To load the driver onto a running system, perform the following steps:

   cd ixgb-x.x.x
   make
   or
   cd ixgb-x.x.x/src
   make load

5. To assign an IP address to the interface, enter the following:

   ifconfig ixgb<interface_num> <IP_address>

6. Verify that the interface works. Enter the following, where <IP_address> is the IP address for another machine on the same subnet as the interface that is being tested:

   ping <IP_address>

7. If you want the driver to load automatically when the system is booted:

   cd ixgb-x.x.x/src
   make load
   cp if_ixgb.ko /modules
Edit /boot/loader.conf, and add the following line:

```
if_ixgb_load="YES"
```

or

compile the driver into the kernel (see item 8). Edit /etc/rc.conf, and create the appropriate ifconfig_ixgb<interface_num> entry:

```
ifconfig_ixgb<interface_num>="<ifconfig_settings>"
```

Example usage:

```
ifconfig_ixgb0="inet 192.168.10.1 netmask 255.255.255.0"
```

8. If you want to compile the driver into the kernel, enter:

```
cd ixgb-x.x.x/src
mkdir /usr/src/sys/dev/ixgb
cp if_ixgb* /usr/src/sys/dev/ixgb
cp ixgb* /usr/src/sys/dev/ixgb
cp Makefile.kernel /usr/src/sys/modules/ixgb/Makefile
```

Edit the /usr/src/sys/conf/files.i386 file, and add the following line:

```
dev/ixgb/ixgb_hw.c optional ixgb
dev/ixgb/ixgb_ee.c optional ixgb
dev/ixgb/if_ixgb.c optional ixgb
```

Remove the following lines from the /usr/src/sys/conf/files.i386 file, if they exist:

```
/dev/ixgb/if_ixgb_fx_hw.c optional ixgb
/dev/ixgb/if_ixgb_phy.c optional ixgb
```

Edit the kernel configuration file (i.e., GENERIC or MYKERNEL) in /usr/src/sys/i386/conf, and ensure the following line is present:

```
device ixgb
```

Compile and install the kernel. Reboot the system for the kernel updates to take affect.
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