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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 backplane in the original Supermicro box, using the original packaging materials. If these are no longer available, be sure to pack the backplane in an anti-static bag and inside the box. Make sure that there is enough packaging material surrounding the backplane so that it does not 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.
Notes
Chapter 1

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.

1-1 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.

1-2 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.
1-3  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.

1-4  Introduction to the BPN-SAS-F424-A6 Backplane

The BPN-SAS-F424-A6 backplane has been designed to utilize the most up-to-date technology available, providing your system with reliable, high-quality performance.

This manual reflects BPN-SAS-F424-A6 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.
Chapter 2

Jumpers, Connectors and LEDs

2-1 Front Connectors

1. Main Power Connector (4-pin): JP10
3. Sideband Connector #1 (SB#1): JP51
4. Sideband Connector #2 (SB#2): JP53
5. Upgrade Connector: JP69
6. ATMEL Chip
7. SATA Connector #0: J7
8. SATA Connector #1: J8
9. SATA Connector #2: J9
10. SATA Connector #3: J10
11. SATA Connector #4: J11
12. SATA Connector #5: J12
2-2 Front Connector Pin Definitions

1. - 2. Backplane Main Power Connectors

The 4-pin connectors, designated JP10 and JP13 provide power to the backplane. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

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<tr>
<th>Pin#</th>
<th>Definition</th>
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<tr>
<td>1 and 2</td>
<td>Ground</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>+5V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>+12V</td>
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3. - 4. Sideband Connectors

The sideband connectors are designated JP51 and JP53. For SES-2 to work properly, an 8-pin sideband cable must be connected to JP51 and JP53. See the table to the right for pin definitions.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Pin #</th>
<th>Definition</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Controller ID (SB6)</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Backplane Addressing (SB5)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>GND (SB2)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Reset (SB4)</td>
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<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>SDA (SB1)</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>GND (SB3)</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>SCL (SB0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>Backplane ID (SB7)</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>No Connection</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>No Connection</td>
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5. Upgrade Connector

The upgrade connector, designated JP69 is a firmware upgrade port.

6. ATMEL Chip

The ATMEL chip is an enclosure management chip used in the BPN-SAS-F424-A6 backplane.

7. - 12. SATA Connectors

SATA connectors #0 - #5 are used to connect the SATA cables. The six ports are designated #0 - #5 and are compatible with both SAS and SATA drives.
2-3 Front Jumper Locations and Pin Settings

Figure 2-2: Front 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 2-pin jumpers, "Closed" means the jumper is on and "Open" means the jumper is off the pins.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Jumper</th>
<th>Jumper Settings</th>
<th>Note</th>
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<tr>
<td>JP41</td>
<td>---</td>
<td>For manufacturer's diagnostic purposes only</td>
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<tr>
<td>JP35</td>
<td>1 - 2 Reset</td>
<td>Chip reset</td>
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<td></td>
<td>2 - 3 No reset (Default)</td>
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Figure 2-2: Front Jumpers
2-4  Rear Connectors and LED Indicators

Figure 2-3: Rear Connectors and LED Indicators

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<th>Ports</th>
<th>SAS/SATA Drive Number</th>
<th>Rear Connectors</th>
<th>Failure LED Indicator</th>
<th>Activity LED Indicator</th>
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<td>SAS#0</td>
<td>SAS/SATA HDD #0</td>
<td>J1</td>
<td>D5</td>
<td>D12</td>
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<td>SAS/SATA HDD #1</td>
<td>J13</td>
<td>D23</td>
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<td>D102</td>
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<td>D13</td>
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<td>SAS/SATA HDD #5</td>
<td>J15</td>
<td>D29</td>
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