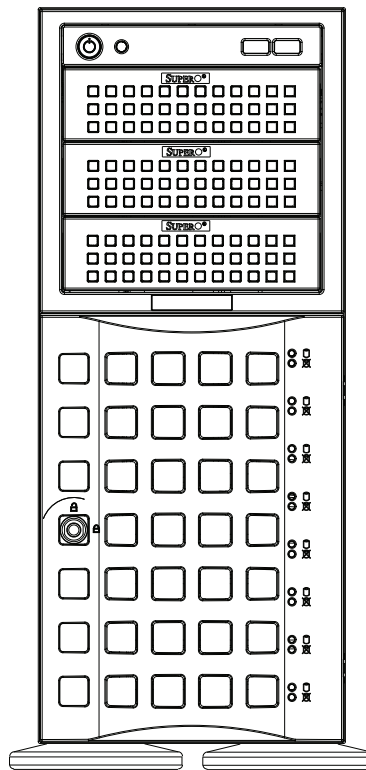


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Preface

About This Manual

This manual is written for professional system integrators and PC technicians. It provides information for the installation and use of the SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F. Installation and maintenance should be performed by experienced technicians only.

The SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F is a high-end workstation based on the SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ chassis and the X8DAH+/X8DAH+-F dual processor serverboard.

Manual Organization

Chapter 1: Introduction

The first chapter provides a checklist of the main components included with the server system and describes the main features of the X8DAH+/X8DAH+-F serverboard and the SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ chassis.

Chapter 2: Server Installation

This chapter describes the steps necessary to install the SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F into a rack and check out the server configuration prior to powering up the system. If your server was ordered without processor and memory components, this chapter will refer you to the appropriate sections of the manual for their installation.

Chapter 3: System Interface

Refer here 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 4: System Safety

You should thoroughly familiarize yourself with this chapter for a general overview of safety precautions that should be followed when installing and servicing the SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F.

Chapter 5: Advanced Serverboard Setup

Chapter 5 provides detailed information on the X8DAH+/X8DAH+-F serverboard, including the locations and functions of connections, headers and jumpers. Refer to this chapter when adding or removing processors or main memory and when reconfiguring the serverboard.

Chapter 6: Advanced Chassis Setup

Refer to Chapter 6 for detailed information on the SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ server chassis. You should follow the procedures given in this chapter when installing, removing or reconfiguring SATA or peripheral drives and when replacing system power supply units and cooling fans.

Chapter 7: BIOS

The BIOS chapter includes an introduction to BIOS and provides detailed information on running the CMOS Setup Utility.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1-1 Overview

The SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F is a high-end workstation comprised of two main subsystems: the SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ server chassis and the X8DAH+/X8DAH+-F dual processor serverboard. Please refer to our web site for information on operating systems that have been certified for use with the system (www.supermicro.com).

In addition to the serverboard and chassis, various hardware components have been included with the 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F, as listed below:

- Three 8-cm chassis fans (FAN-0074L4)
- Two exhaust fans (FAN-0082L4)
- One air shroud (MCP-310-48001-0N)
- SATA Accessories
 - One SATA backplane (CSE-SAS-743TQ)
 - Six 35-cm SATA cables (CBL-0061L)
 - Two 40-cm SGPIO cables (CBL-0157L)
 - Eight drive carriers (CSE-PT17-B)
- One rackmount kit, optional (CSE-PT26)
- One CD containing drivers and utilities
- SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F User's Manual

1-2 Serverboard Features

At the heart of the SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F lies the X8DAH+/X8DAH+-F, a dual processor serverboard based on the Intel 5520 + ICH10R chipset. It includes two 5520 I/O hubs for enhanced I/O throughput. Below are the main features of the X8DAH+. (See Figure 1-1 for a block diagram of the chipset).

Processors

The X8DAH+/X8DAH+-F supports single or dual Intel® Xeon® 5500 (LGA1366 socket) processors. Please refer to the serverboard description pages on our web site for a complete listing of supported processors (www.supermicro.com).

Memory

The serverboard has eighteen DIMM slots that can support up to 144 GB of DDR3-1333/1066/800 registered ECC SDRAM. See Chapter 5 for details.

Serial ATA

A Serial ATA controller is integrated into the ICH10R (South Bridge) portion of the IOH-36D South Bridge portion of the chipset to provide a six-port 3 Gb/s SATA subsystem, which is RAID 0, 1, 10 and 5 supported. The SATA drives are hot-swappable units.

Note: The operating system you use must have RAID support to enable the hot-swap capability and RAID function of the SATA drives.

PCI Expansion Slots

The X8DAH+/X8DAH+-F has two PCI Express 2.0 x16 slots, three PCI Express 2.0 x8 slots, one PCI Express 2.0 x8 (in a x16 slot) slot and one PCI Express 2.0 x4 (in a x8 slot) slot.

Onboard Controllers/Ports

A floppy drive connector is included on the serverboard. The color-coded rear I/O ports include one COM port (an additional COM header is located on the serverboard), a VGA (monitor) port, six USB 2.0 ports, PS/2 mouse and keyboard ports, a dedicated IPMI LAN port (/X8DAH+-F only), two gigabit Ethernet ports and 7.1 HD Audio ports..

Graphics Controller

The X8DAH+-F (only) features an integrated Matrox G200eW graphics controller for onboard graphics.

Other Features

Other onboard features that promote system health include onboard voltage monitors, a chassis intrusion header, auto-switching voltage regulators, chassis and CPU overheat sensors, virus protection and BIOS rescue.

1-3 Server Chassis Features

The following is a general outline of the main features of the SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ server chassis.

System Power

The SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ features a redundant 1400W power supply composed of two separate power modules. This power redundancy feature allows you to replace a failed power supply without shutting down the system.

Front Control Panel

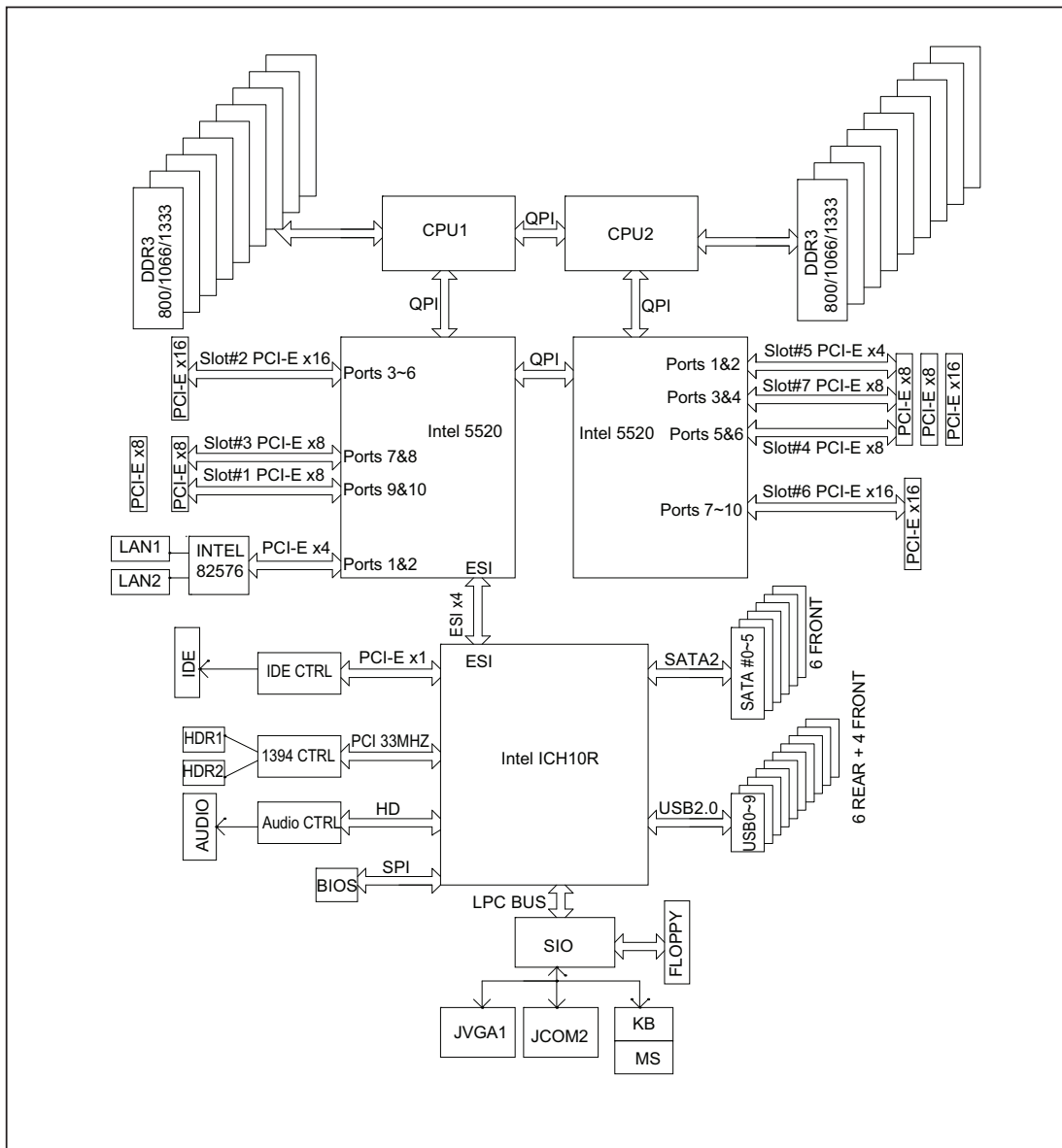
The control panel on the SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F provides you with system monitoring and control. LEDs indicate system power, HDD activity, network activity, system overheat and power supply failure. A main power button and a system reset button are also included. In addition, two USB ports have been incorporated into the control panel to provide front side USB access.

Cooling System

The chassis has an innovative cooling design that includes three 8-cm hot-plug system cooling fans located in the middle section of the chassis as well as two 8-cm hot-plug exhaust fans located at the rear of the chassis. An air shroud channels the airflow from the system fans to efficiently cool the processor area of the system. The power supply module also includes a cooling fan.

**Figure 1-1. Intel 5520/ICH10R Chipset:
System Block Diagram**

Note: This is a general block diagram. Please see Chapter 5 for details.



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Chapter 2

Server Installation

2-1 Overview

This chapter provides a quick setup checklist to get your SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F up and running. Following these steps in the order given should enable you to have the system operational within a minimum amount of time. This quick setup assumes that your system has come to you with the processors and memory preinstalled. If your system is not already fully integrated with a serverboard, processors, system memory etc., please turn to the chapter or section noted in each step for details on installing specific components.

The 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F may be employed either as a tower or mounted in a rack as a 4U rackmount chassis. If using it as a tower unit, please read the Server Precautions in the next section and then skip ahead to Section 2-5.

2-2 Unpacking the System

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

Decide on a suitable location for the SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F. 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. You will also need it placed near a grounded power outlet. Be sure to read the Rack and Server Precautions in the next section.

2-3 Preparing for Setup

The box the system was shipped in may include two sets of rail assemblies, two rail mounting brackets and mounting screws needed for installing the system into a rack (optional kit). Follow the steps in the order given to complete the installation process in a minimum amount of time. 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) and 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).
- This product is not suitable for use with visual display work place devices according to §2 of the the German Ordinance for Work with Visual Display Units.



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 installation, stabilizers should be attached to the rack. In multiple rack installations, the racks should be coupled together.
- Always make sure 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.

Server Precautions

- Review the electrical and general safety precautions in Chapter 4.
- 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 up.
- 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 SATA 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 (T_{mra}).

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.).

2-4 Installing the System into a Rack

This section provides information on installing the system into a rack unit. Rack installation requires the use of the optional rackmount kit. If the system has already been mounted into a rack or if you are using it as a tower, you can skip ahead to Sections 2-5 and 2-6.

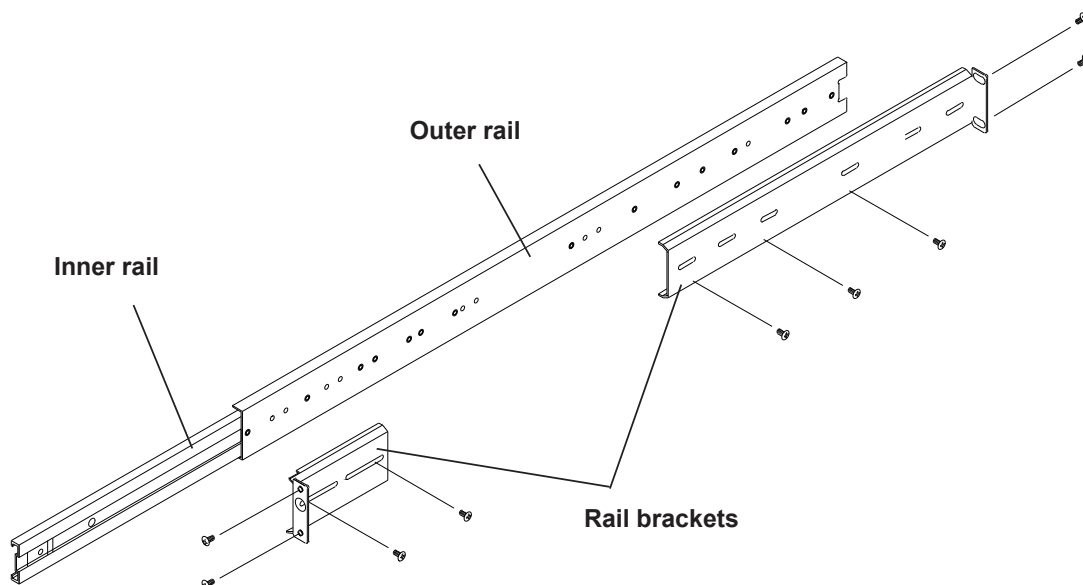
There are a variety of rack units on the market, which may mean the assembly procedure will differ slightly. The following is a guideline for installing the server into a rack with the rack rails provided in the rackmount kit. You should also refer to the installation instructions that came with the rack unit you are using.

Identifying the Sections of the Rack Rails

The optional rackmount kit includes two rack rail assemblies. Each of these assemblies consist of three sections: an inner fixed chassis rail that secures to the chassis, an outer rack rail that secures directly to the rack itself and two rail brackets, which also attach to the rack (see Figure 2-1.) The inner and outer rails must be detached from each other to install.

To remove the inner chassis rail, pull it out as far as possible - you should hear a "click" sound as a locking tab emerges from inside the rail assembly and locks the inner rail. Depress the locking tab to pull the inner rail completely out. Do this for both assemblies (one for each side).

Figure 2-1. Identifying the Sections of the Rack Rails



Installing the Chassis Rails

You will need to remove the top cover and the feet to add rack rails to the chassis. First, remove the top and right covers (top and left covers when standing as a tower chassis) by first removing the screws that secure them to the chassis. Depress the button on the top (side if tower) of the chassis to release the cover and then pull the cover off. Then unscrew the four feet and remove them from the chassis (see Figure 2-2).

You can now attach rack rails to the top and bottom (now the sides) of the chassis. First add the rack handles. Then position the inner chassis rail sections you just removed along the side of the chassis making sure the screw holes line up. Note that these two rails are left/right specific. Screw the rail securely to the side of the chassis (see Figure 2-3). Repeat this procedure for the other rail on the other side of the chassis. You will also need to attach the rail brackets when installing into a telco rack.

Locking Tabs: As mentioned, the chassis rails have a locking tab, which serves two functions. The first is to lock the server into place when installed and pushed fully into the rack, which is its normal position. Secondly, these tabs also lock the server in place when fully extended from the rack. This prevents the server from coming completely out of the rack when you pull it out for servicing.

Figure 2-2. Preparing to Install the Chassis Rails

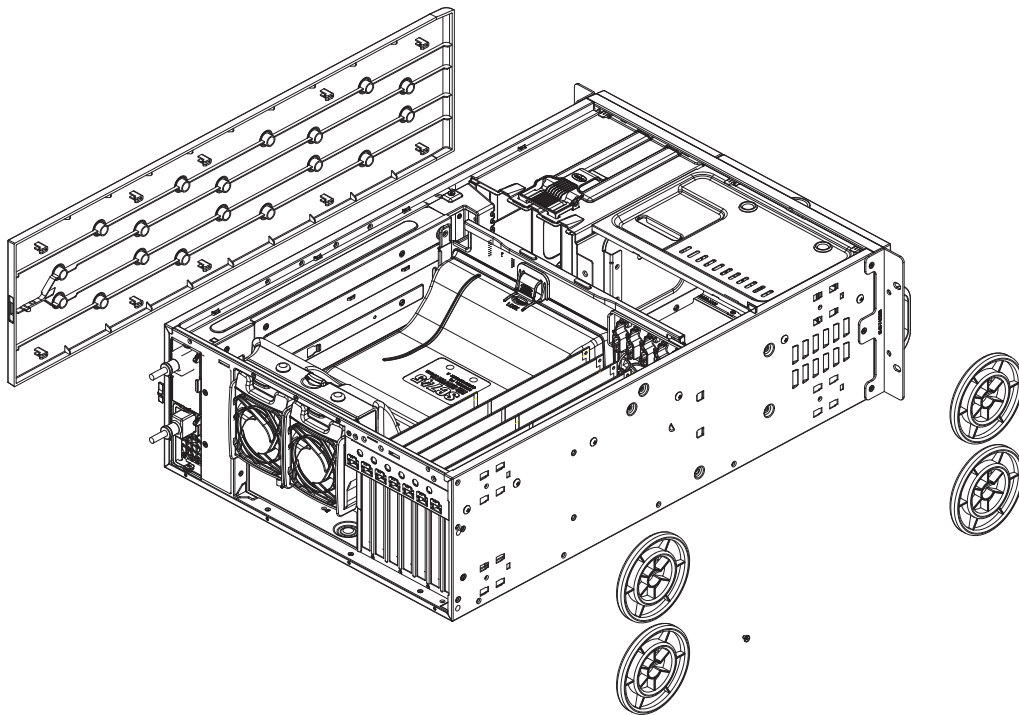
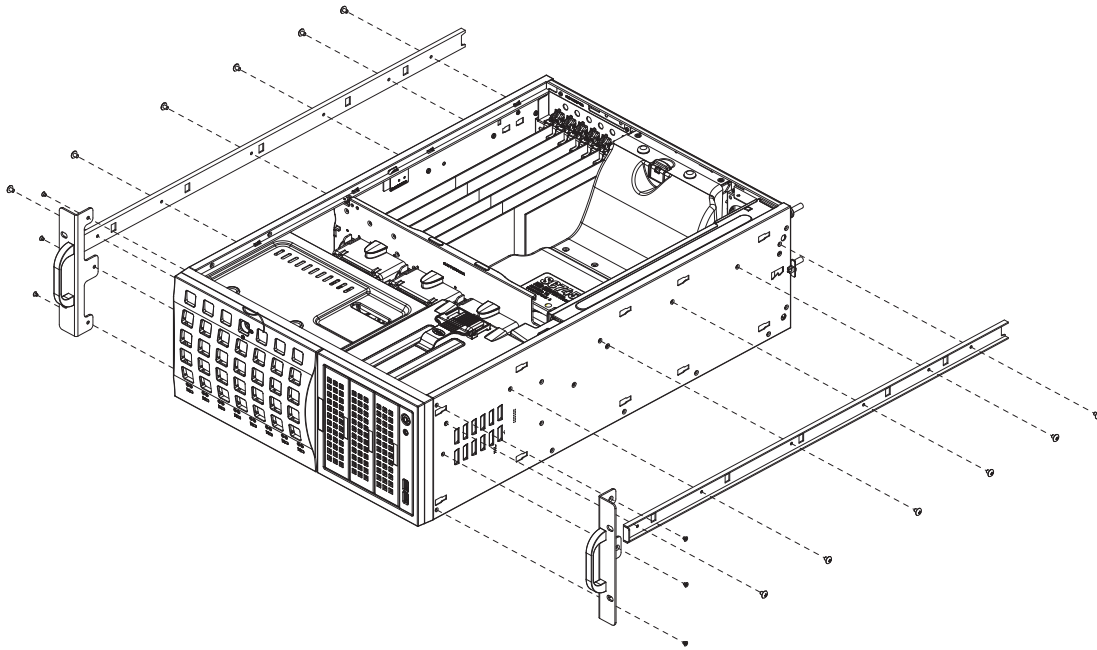


Figure 2-3. Installing the Rails to the Chassis



Installing the Rack Rails

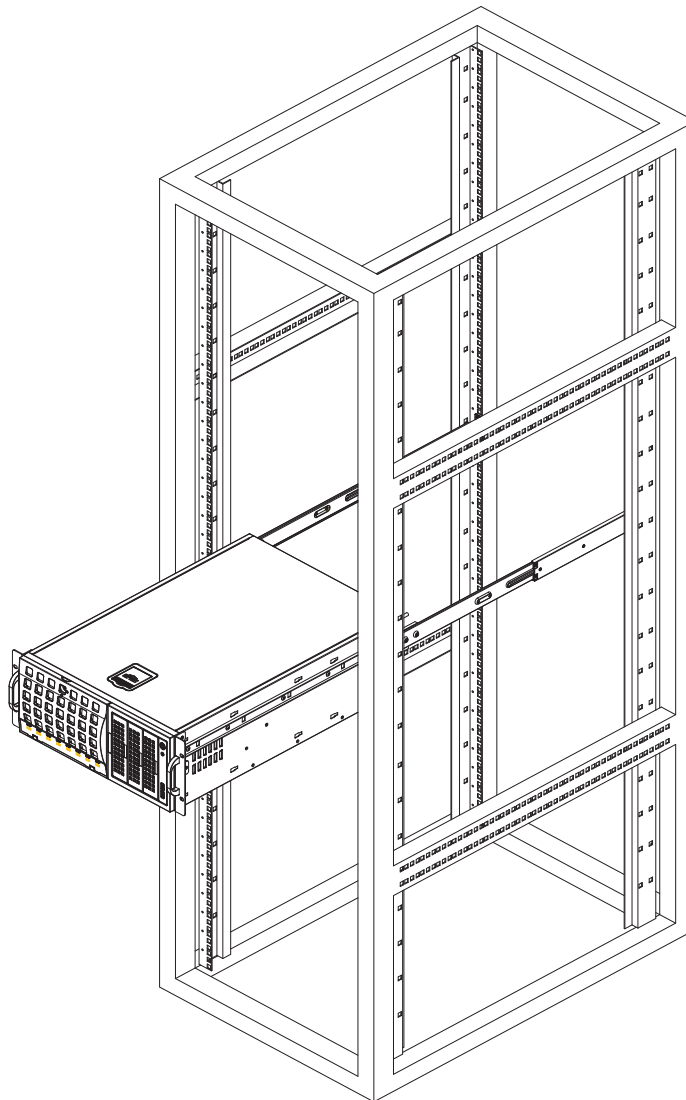
Determine where you want to place the SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F in the rack. (See Rack and Server Precautions in Section 2-3.) Position the fixed rack rail/sliding rail guide assemblies at the desired location in the rack, keeping the sliding rail guide facing the inside of the rack. Screw the assembly securely to the rack using the brackets provided. Attach the other assembly to the other side of the rack, making sure both are at the exact same height and with the rail guides facing inward.

Installing the Server into the Rack

You should now have rails attached to both the chassis and the rack unit. The next step is to install the server into the rack. You should have two brackets in the rack mount kit. Install these first keeping in mind that they are left/right specific (marked with "L" and "R"). Then, line up the rear of the chassis rails with the front of the rack rails. Slide the chassis rails into the rack rails, keeping the pressure even on both sides (you may have to depress the locking tabs when inserting).

When the server has been pushed completely into the rack, you should hear the locking tabs "click". Finish by inserting and tightening the thumbscrews that hold the front of the server to the rack (see Figure 2-4).

Figure 2-4. Installing the Server into a Rack



2-5 Checking the Serverboard Setup

After setting up the the system, you will need to open the unit to make sure the serverboard is properly installed and all the connections have been made.

Accessing the Inside of the System

1. If rack mounted, first release the retention screws that secure the unit to the rack.
2. Grasp the two handles on either side and pull the unit straight out until it locks (you will hear a "click").
3. There are two screws that secure the cover to the chassis - remove these first.
4. Locate the latch on the top (side if tower) of the chassis - depress where it says "push" then lift the latch to release the cover.
5. Lift the cover from the chassis to gain full access to the inside of the server. See Figure 2-5.

Checking the Components and Setup

1. You may have one or two processors already installed into the serverboard. Each processor should have its own heatsink attached. See Chapter 5 for instructions on processor installation.
2. Your server may have come with system memory already installed. Make sure all DIMMs are fully seated in their slots. For details on adding system memory, refer to Chapter 5.
3. If desired, you can install add-on cards to the system. See Chapter 5 for details on installing PCI add-on cards.
4. Make sure all power and data cables are properly connected and not blocking the chassis airflow. See Chapter 5 for details on cable connections.

2-6 Checking the Drive Bay Setup

Next, you should check to make sure the peripheral drives and then SATA drives and backplane have been properly installed and all connections have been made.

Checking the Drives

1. All drives can be accessed from the front of the server. For servicing the CD-ROM drives and floppy drives, you will need to remove the top/left chassis cover. The SATA disk drives can be installed and removed from the front of the chassis without removing any chassis covers.
2. To install components into the 5.25" drive bays, you must first remove the top/left chassis cover as described in the previous section. Refer to Chapter 6 for details.
3. Refer to Chapter 6 if you need to reinstall a CD-ROM and/or floppy disk drive to the system.
4. Depending upon your system's configuration, your system may have one or more drives already installed. If you need to install SATA drives, please refer to Chapter 6.

Checking the Airflow

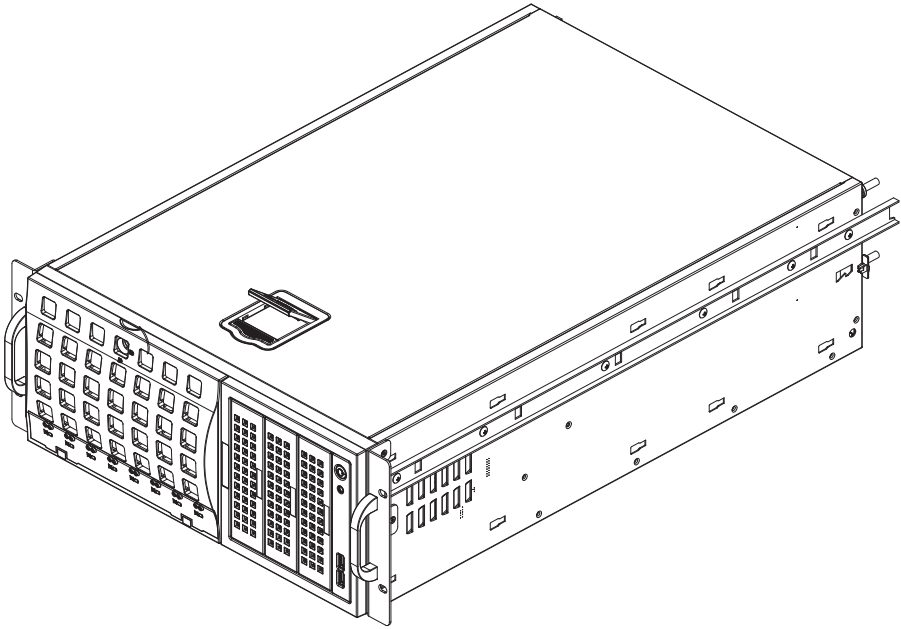
1. Airflow is provided by four hot-swap 8-cm chassis fans working in conjunction with an air shroud. Two 8-cm exhaust fans are also mounted at the rear of the chassis. The system component layout was carefully designed to promote sufficient airflow through the chassis.
2. Note that all power and data cables have been routed in such a way that they do not block the airflow generated by the fans. Keep this in mind when you reroute them after working on the system.

Supplying Power to the System

The last thing you must do is to provide input power to the system.

1. Plug the power cords from the power supplies unit into a high-quality power strip that offers protection from electrical noise and power surges.
2. It is recommended that you use an uninterruptible power supply (UPS).
3. Depress the power on button on the front of the chassis.

**Figure 2-5. Accessing the Inside of the System
(Rack Configuration shown)**



Chapter 3

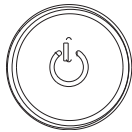
System Interface

3-1 Overview

The control panel on the 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F has several LEDs and two buttons. There are also two LEDs on each SATA drive carrier. These LEDs keep you constantly informed of the overall status of the system and the activity and health of specific components.

3-2 Control Panel Buttons

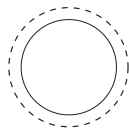
There are two push-buttons located on the front of the chassis: a power on/off button and a reset button.



Power

This is the main power button, which is used to apply or turn off the main system power. Turning off system power with this button removes the main power but keeps standby power supplied to the system.

RESET



Reset

Use the reset button to reboot the system.

3-3 Control Panel LEDs

The control panel located on the front of the SC745 chassis has six LEDs that 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.



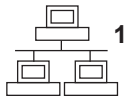
Power

Indicates power is being supplied to the system's power supply. This LED should normally be on when the system is operating.



HDD

Indicates hard drive activity. On the 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F, this LED indicates SATA drive activity when flashing.



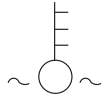
NIC1

Indicates network activity on LAN1 when flashing.



NIC2

Indicates network activity on LAN2 when flashing.



Overheat/Fan Fail

When this LED flashes, it indicates a fan failure. When on continuously it indicates an overheat condition, which may be caused by cables obstructing the airflow in the system or the ambient room temperature being too warm. Check the routing of the cables and make sure all fans are present and operating normally. You should also check to make sure that the chassis covers are installed. Finally, verify that the heatsinks are installed properly (see Chapter 5). This LED will remain flashing or on as long as the indicated condition exists.



Power Fail

Indicates a power supply module has failed. This should be accompanied by an audible alarm. A backup power supply module will take the load and keep the system running but the failed module will need to be replaced. Refer to Chapter 6 for details on replacing the power supply. This LED should be off when the system is operating normally.

3-4 Drive Carrier LEDs

- **Green:** Each Serial ATA drive carrier has a green LED. When illuminated, this green LED (on the front of the SATA drive carrier) indicates drive activity. A connection to the SATA backplane enables this LED to blink on and off when that particular drive is being accessed. Please refer to Chapter 6 for instructions on replacing failed SATA drives.
- **Red:** The red LED to indicate an SATA drive failure. If one of the SATA drives fail, you should be notified by your system management software. Please refer to Chapter 6 for instructions on replacing failed SATA drives.

Notes

Chapter 4

System Safety

4-1 Electrical Safety Precautions



Basic electrical safety precautions should be followed to protect yourself from harm and the SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F from damage:

- Be aware of the locations of the power on/off switch on the chassis as well as the room's emergency power-off switch, disconnection switch or electrical outlet. If an electrical accident occurs, you can then quickly remove power from the system.
- Do not work alone when working with high voltage components.
- Power should always be disconnected from the system when removing or installing main system components, such as the serverboard, memory modules and floppy drive. When disconnecting power, you should first power down the operating system first and then unplug the power cords. The unit has more than one power supply cord. Disconnect both power supply cords before servicing to avoid electrical shock.
- When working around exposed electrical circuits, another person who is familiar with the power-off controls should be nearby to switch off the power if necessary.
- Use only one hand when working with powered-on electrical equipment. This is to avoid making a complete circuit, which will cause electrical shock. Use extreme caution when using metal tools, which can easily damage any electrical components or circuit boards they come into contact with.
- Do not use mats designed to decrease static electrical discharge as protection from electrical shock. Instead, use rubber mats that have been specifically designed as electrical insulators.
- The power supply power cords must include a grounding plug and must be plugged into grounded electrical outlets.

- This product may be connected to an IT power system. In all cases, make sure that the unit is also reliably connected to Earth (ground).
- Serverboard Battery: **CAUTION** - There is a danger of explosion if the onboard battery is installed upside down, which will reverse its polarities (see Figure 4-1). This battery must be replaced only with the same or an equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer. Dispose of used batteries according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- DVD-ROM Laser: **CAUTION** - this server may have come equipped with a DVD-ROM drive. To prevent direct exposure to the laser beam and hazardous radiation exposure, do not open the enclosure or use the unit in any unconventional way.
- Mainboard replaceable soldered-in fuses: Self-resetting PTC (Positive Temperature Coefficient) fuses on the mainboard must be replaced by trained service technicians only. The new fuse must be the same or equivalent as the one replaced. Contact technical support for details and support.

4-2 General Safety Precautions



Follow these rules to ensure general safety:

- Keep the area around the 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F clean and free of clutter.
- The 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F weighs approximately 70 lbs (31.8 kg.) when fully loaded. When lifting the system, two people at either end should lift slowly with their feet spread out to distribute the weight. Always keep your back straight and lift with your legs.
- Place the chassis top cover and any system components that have been removed away from the system or on a table so that they won't accidentally be stepped on.
- While working on the system, do not wear loose clothing such as neckties and unbuttoned shirt sleeves, which can come into contact with electrical circuits or be pulled into a cooling fan.

- Remove any jewelry or metal objects from your body, which are excellent metal conductors that can create short circuits and harm you if they come into contact with printed circuit boards or areas where power is present.
- After accessing the inside of the system, close the system back up and secure it to the rack unit with the retention screws after ensuring that all connections have been made.

4-3 ESD Precautions



Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) is generated by two objects with different electrical charges coming into contact with each other. An electrical discharge is created to neutralize this difference, which can damage electronic components and printed circuit boards. The following measures are generally sufficient to neutralize this difference before contact is made to protect your equipment from ESD:

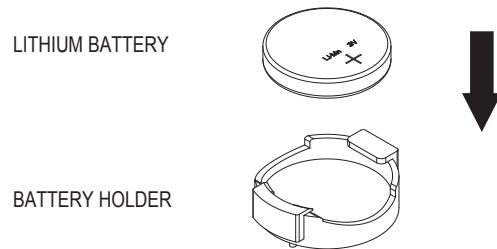
- Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.
- Keep all components and printed circuit boards (PCBs) in their antistatic bags until ready for use.
- Touch a grounded metal object before removing the board from the antistatic bag.
- Do not let components or PCBs come into contact with your clothing, which may retain a charge even if you are wearing a wrist strap.
- Handle a board by its edges only; do not touch its components, peripheral chips, memory modules or contacts.
- When handling chips or modules, avoid touching their pins.
- Put the serverboard and peripherals back into their antistatic bags when not in use.
- For grounding purposes, make sure your computer chassis provides excellent conductivity between the power supply, the case, the mounting fasteners and the serverboard.

4-4 Operating Precautions



Care must be taken to assure that the chassis cover is in place when the 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F is operating to assure proper cooling. Out of warranty damage to the system can occur if this practice is not strictly followed.

Figure 4-1. Installing the Onboard Battery



Chapter 5

Advanced Serverboard Setup

This chapter covers the steps required to install the serverboard into the chassis, connect the data and power cables and install add-on cards. All serverboard jumpers and connections are also described. A layout and quick reference chart are included in this chapter for your reference. Remember to completely close the chassis when you have finished working on the serverboard to cool and protect the system.

5-1 Handling the Serverboard

Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) can damage electronic components. To prevent damage to any printed circuit boards (PCBs), it is important to handle them very carefully (see previous chapter). To prevent the serverboard from bending, keep one hand under the center of the board to support it when handling. The following measures are generally sufficient to protect your equipment from electric static discharge.

Precautions

- Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent Electrostatic Discharge.
- Touch a grounded metal object before removing any board from its antistatic bag.
- Handle a board 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 serverboard, add-on cards and peripherals back into their antistatic bags when not in use.
- For grounding purposes, make sure your computer chassis provides excellent conductivity between the power supply, the case, the mounting fasteners and the serverboard.

Unpacking

The serverboard is shipped in antistatic packaging to avoid static discharge. When unpacking the board, make sure the person handling it is static protected.

5-2 Serverboard Installation

This section explains the first step of physically mounting the X8DAH+/X8DAH+F into the SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ chassis. Following the steps in the order given will eliminate the most common problems encountered in such an installation. To remove the serverboard, follow the procedure in reverse order.

Installing to the Chassis

1. Access the inside of the system by removing the screws from the back lip of the top cover of the chassis, then pull the cover off.
2. Make sure that the I/O ports on the serverboard align properly with their respective holes in the I/O shield at the back of the chassis.
3. Carefully mount the serverboard to the serverboard tray by aligning the board holes with the raised metal standoffs that are visible in the chassis.
4. Insert screws into all the mounting holes on your serverboard that line up with the standoffs and tighten until snug (if you screw them in too tight, you might strip the threads). Metal screws provide an electrical contact to the serverboard ground to provide a continuous ground for the system.
5. Finish by replacing the top cover of the chassis.

Warning: To avoid damaging the serverboard and its components, do not apply any force greater than 8 lbs. per square inch when installing a screw into a mounting hole.

5-3 Connecting Cables

Now that the serverboard is installed, the next step is to connect the cables to the board. These include the data cables for the peripherals and control panel and the power cables.

Connecting Data Cables

The cables used to transfer data from the peripheral devices have been carefully routed to prevent them from blocking the flow of cooling air that moves through the system from front to back. If you need to disconnect any of these cables, you should take care to keep them routed as they were originally after reconnecting them (make sure the red wires connect to the pin 1 locations). The following data cables (with their locations noted) should be connected. (See the layout on page 5-11 for connector locations.)

- SATA drive data cables (I-SATA0 ~ I-SATA5)
- Control Panel cable (JF1)
- USB cable for front side access (USB6/7)

Important! Make sure the the cables do not come into contact with the fans.

Connecting Power Cables

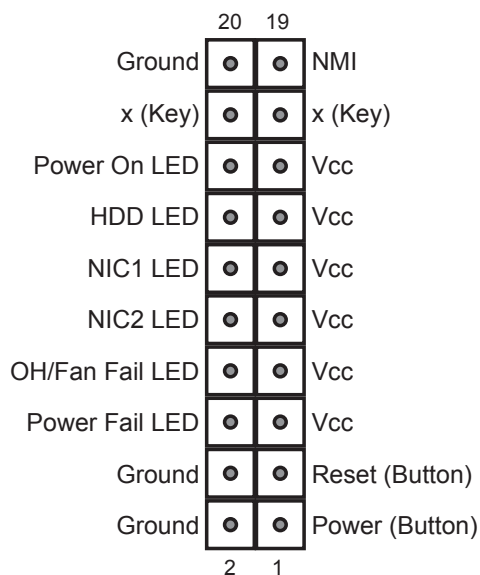
The X8DAH+/X8DAH+F has a 24-pin primary power supply connector (JPW1) for connection to the ATX power supply. In addition, there are two 8-pin 12V processor power connectors (JPW2 and JPW3) that must be connected to your power supply. See Section 5-9 for power connector pin definitions.

Connecting the Control Panel

JF1 contains header pins for various front control panel connectors. See Figure 5-1 for the pin locations of the various front control panel buttons and LED indicators.

All JF1 wires have been bundled into a single cable to simplify this connection. Make sure the red wire plugs into pin 1 as marked on the board. The other end connects to the Control Panel PCB board, located just behind the system status LEDs on the chassis. See Chapter 5 for details and pin descriptions.

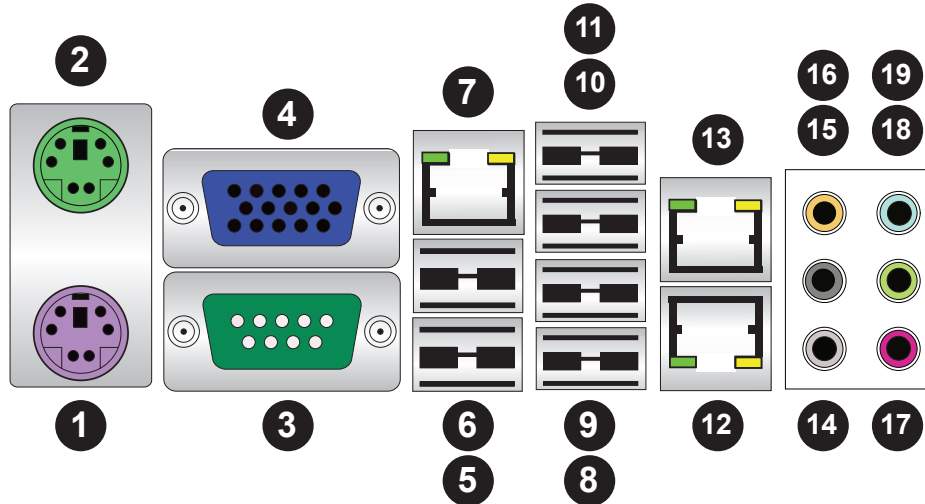
Figure 5-1. Control Panel Header Pins



5-4 I/O Ports

The I/O ports are color coded in conformance with the PC 99 specification.

Figure 5-2. I/O Ports



| IO Ports | |
|----------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Keyboard (Purple) |
| 2 | PS/2 Mouse (Green) |
| 3 | COM Port 1 |
| 4 | VGA Port (7046A-HR+F only) |
| 5 | USB Port 0 |
| 6 | USB Port 1 |
| 7 | IPMI Port (X8DAH+F only) |
| 8 | USB Port 2 |
| 9 | USB Port 3 |
| 10 | USB Port 4 |
| 11 | USB Port 5 |
| 12 | LAN Port 1 |
| 13 | LAN Port 2 |
| 14 | Side Surround (Grey) |
| 15 | Back Surround (Black) |
| 16 | CEN/LFE (Orange) |
| 17 | Mic-In (Pink) |
| 18 | Front (Green) |
| 19 | Line-In (Blue) |

5-5 Installing a Processor and Heatsink



When handling the processor package, avoid placing direct pressure on the label area of the fan.

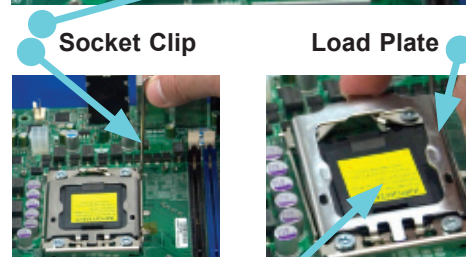
Notes:

- Always connect the power cord last and always remove it before adding, removing or changing any hardware components. Make sure that you install the processor into the CPU socket before you install the CPU heatsink.
- If you buy a CPU separately, make sure that you use an Intel-certified multi-directional heatsink only.
- Make sure to install the serverboard into the chassis before you install the CPU heatsinks.
- When receiving a serverboard without a processor pre-installed, make sure that the plastic CPU socket cap is in place and none of the socket pins are bent; otherwise, contact your retailer immediately.
- Refer to the Supermicro web site for updates on CPU support.

Installing an LGA1366 Processor

1. Press the socket clip to release the load plate, which covers the CPU socket, from its locked position.
2. Gently lift the socket clip to open the load plate.
3. Hold the plastic cap at its north and south center edges to remove it from the CPU socket.

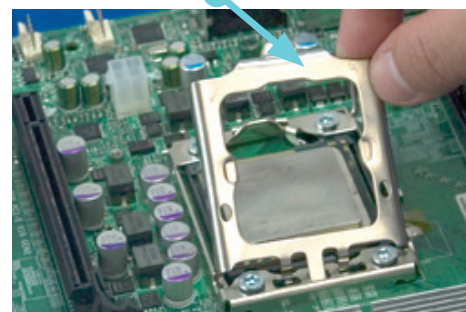
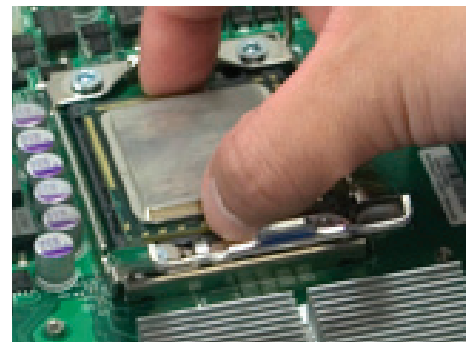
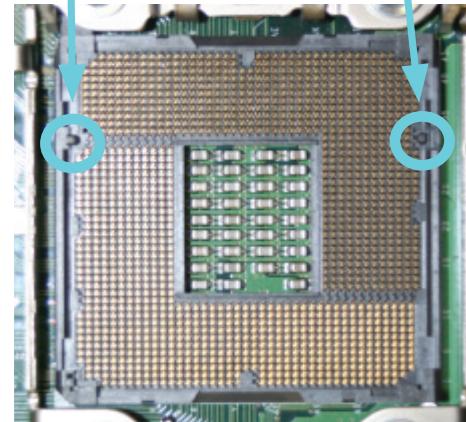
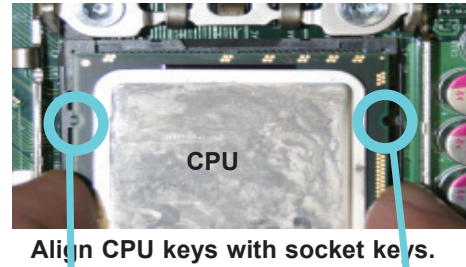
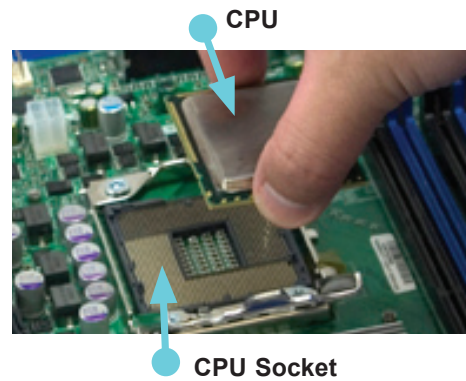
Note: The photos on this page and succeeding pages are for illustration purposes only. They do not necessarily reflect the exact product(s) described in this manual.



Holding the north & south edges

1. After removing the plastic cap, use your thumb and the index finger to hold the CPU at the north and south center edges.
2. Align the CPU key (the semi-circle cutout) with the socket key (the notch below the gold color dot on the side of the socket).
3. Once the CPU and the socket are aligned, carefully lower the CPU straight down into the socket. Do not rub the CPU against the surface of the socket or its pins to avoid damaging the CPU or the socket.
4. With the CPU in the socket, inspect the four corners of the CPU to make sure that it sits level and is properly installed.
5. Once the CPU is securely seated in the socket, lower the CPU load plate to the socket.
6. Use your thumb to gently push the socket clip down to the clip lock.

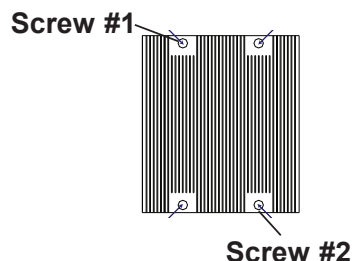
Important! Please save the plastic cap. The serverboard must be shipped with the plastic cap properly installed to protect the CPU socket pins. Shipment without the plastic cap properly installed may cause damage to the socket pins.



Installing a CPU Heatsink

Installing the Heatsink

1. Remove power from the system and unplug the AC power cord.
2. Do not apply any thermal grease to the heatsink or the CPU die; the required amount has already been applied.
3. Place the heatsink on top of the CPU so that the four mounting holes are aligned with those on the retention mechanism.
4. Screw in two diagonal screws (i.e. the #1 and the #2 screws) until just snug (overtightening may damage the CPU.)
5. Finish the installation by fully tightening all four screws.

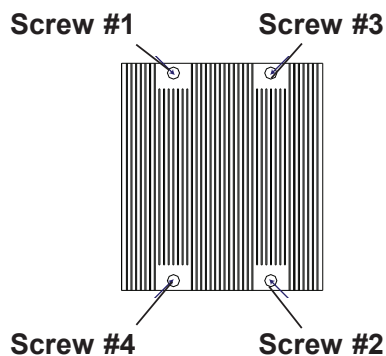


Uninstalling the Heatsink



Warning: We do not recommend removing the CPU or the heatsink. However, if you do need to uninstall the heatsink, please follow these instructions to avoid damaging the CPU or the CPU socket.

1. Unscrew and remove the heatsink screws in the sequence shown in the picture on the right.
2. Hold the heatsink as shown in the picture on the right and gently wriggle to loosen it from the CPU. (Do not use excessive force when doing this!)
3. Once the heatsink is loosened, remove it from the CPU socket.
4. Clean the surface of the CPU and the heatsink to get rid of the old thermal grease. Reapply the proper amount of thermal grease before you re-install the heatsink.



5-6 Installing Memory



CAUTION! Exercise extreme care when installing or removing DIMM modules to prevent any possible damage.

Memory Support

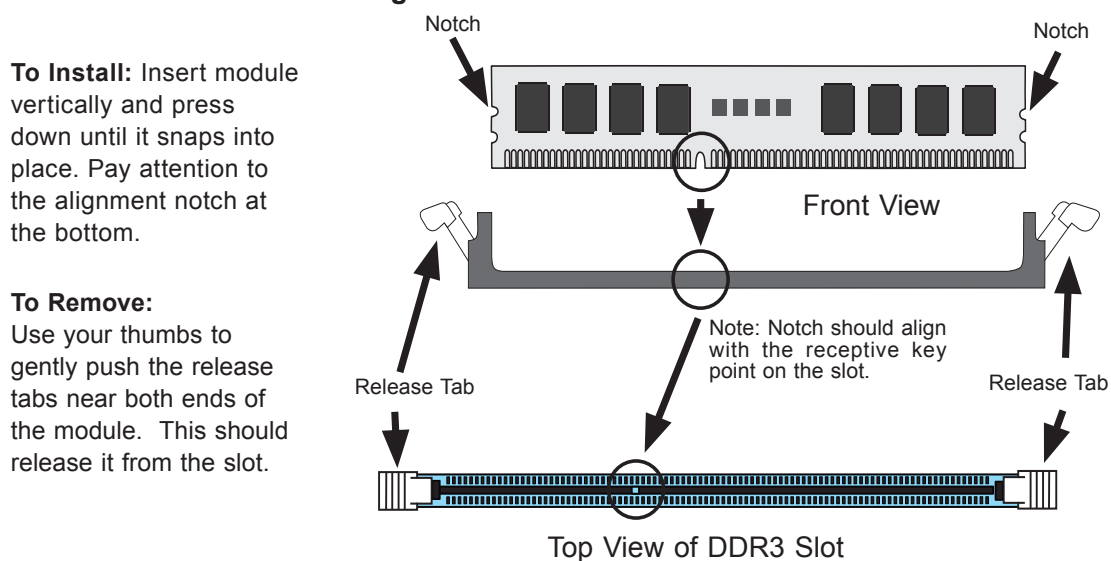
The X8DAH+/X8DAH+F supports up to 144 GB of DDR3 1333/1066/800 registered ECC SDRAM in 18 DIMM slots. Three-way interleaved memory is supported. For optimal memory performance, install DIMMs three at a time. Use memory modules of the same type and speed. See the following table for memory installation.

DIMM Installation

Installing Memory Modules

1. Insert the desired number of DIMMs into the memory slots, beginning with CPU DIMM #1A and DIMM #2A, etc. (see Memory Configuration Table below). Always spread DIMMs across all three banks for each CPU (see Figure 5-4).
2. Insert each DIMM module vertically into its slot. Pay attention to the notch along the bottom of the module to avoid installing incorrectly (see Figure 5-3).
3. Gently press down on the DIMM module until it snaps into place in the slot. Repeat for all modules.

Figure 5-3. DIMM Installation



Memory Support

The X8DAH+/X8DAH+F supports up to 144 GB Registered ECC DDR3-1333/1066/800 MHz registered ECC SDRAM in 18 DIMM slots. DIMM sizes of 8 GB, 4 GB, 2 GB and 1 GB are supported.

Populating DIMMs

Follow the tables below when installing memory.

| Populating DIMMs for Optimal Performance For One CPU (CPU1) Installed (Populate the CPU1 DIMM slots) | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------|-------|
| | CPU1: Branch 0 | | | CPU1: Branch 1 | | | CPU1: Branch 2 | | |
| 3 DIMMs | P1-1A | | | P1-2A | | | P1-3A | | |
| 6 DIMMs | P1-1A | P1-1B | | P1-2A | P1-2B | | P1-3A | P1-3B | |
| 9 DIMMs | P1-1A | P1-1B | P1-1C | P1-2A | P1-2B | P1-2C | P1-3A | P1-3B | P1-3C |

| Populating DIMMs for Optimal Performance For One CPU (CPU2) Installed (Populate the CPU2 DIMM slots) | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------|-------|
| | CPU2: Branch 0 | | | CPU2: Branch 1 | | | CPU2: Branch 2 | | |
| 3 DIMMs | P2-1A | | | P2-2A | | | P2-3A | | |
| 6 DIMMs | P2-1A | P2-1B | | P2-2A | P2-2B | | P2-3A | P2-3B | |
| 9 DIMMs | P2-1A | P2-1B | P2-1C | P2-2A | P2-2B | P2-2C | P2-3A | P2-3B | P2-3C |

| Populating DIMMs for Optimal Performance For Two CPUs Installed | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|----|----|----------|----|----|----------|----|----|-----------------------|----|----------|----|----------|----|----|----|----|
| | CPU1 DIMMs (P1 Slots) | | | | | | | | | CPU2 DIMMs (P2 Slots) | | | | | | | | |
| | Branch 0 | | | Branch 1 | | | Branch 2 | | | Branch 0 | | Branch 1 | | Branch 2 | | | | |
| 6 DIMMs | 1A | | | 2A | | | 3A | | | 1A | | | 2A | | | 3A | | |
| 12 DIMMs | 1A | 1B | | 2A | 2B | | 3A | 3B | | 1A | 1B | | 2A | 2B | | 3A | 3B | |
| 18 DIMMs | 1A | 1B | 1C | 2A | 2B | 2C | 3A | 3B | 3C | 1A | 1B | 1C | 2A | 2B | 2C | 3A | 3B | 3C |

| Memory Population Table | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| DIMM Slots per Channel | DIMMs Populated per Channel | DIMM Type (Reg.= Registered) | Speeds (in MHz) | Ranks per DIMM (any combination; SR=Single Rank, DR=Dual Rank, QR=Quad Rank) |
| 3 | 1 | Reg. DDR3 ECC | 800,1066,1333 | SR, DR |
| 3 | 1 | Reg. DDR3 ECC | 800,1066, | QR |
| 3 | 2 | Reg. DDR3 ECC | 800,1066 | SR, DR |
| 3 | 2 | Reg. DDR3 ECC | 800 | SR, DR, QR |
| 3 | 3 | Reg. DDR3 ECC | 800 | SR, DR |

Notes: Due to OS limitations, some operating systems may not show more than 4 GB of memory.

Due to memory allocation to system devices, the amount of memory that remains available for operational use will be reduced when 4 GB of RAM is used. The reduction in memory availability is disproportional. (See the Table below.)

| Possible System Memory Allocation & Availability | | |
|---|--------|---|
| System Device | Size | Physical Memory Remaining (Available) (4 GB Total System Memory) |
| Firmware Hub flash memory (System BIOS) | 1 MB | 3.99 GB |
| Local APIC | 4 KB | 3.99 GB |
| Area Reserved for the chipset | 2 MB | 3.99 GB |
| I/O APIC (4 Kbytes) | 4 KB | 3.99 GB |
| PCI Enumeration Area 1 | 256 MB | 3.76 GB |
| PCI Express (256 MB) | 256 MB | 3.51 GB |
| PCI Enumeration Area 2 (if needed) -Aligned on 256-MB boundary- | 512 MB | 3.01 GB |
| VGA Memory | 16 MB | 2.85 GB |
| TSEG | 1 MB | 2.84 GB |
| Memory available for the OS & other applications | | 2.84 GB |

5-7 Installing PCI Expansion Cards

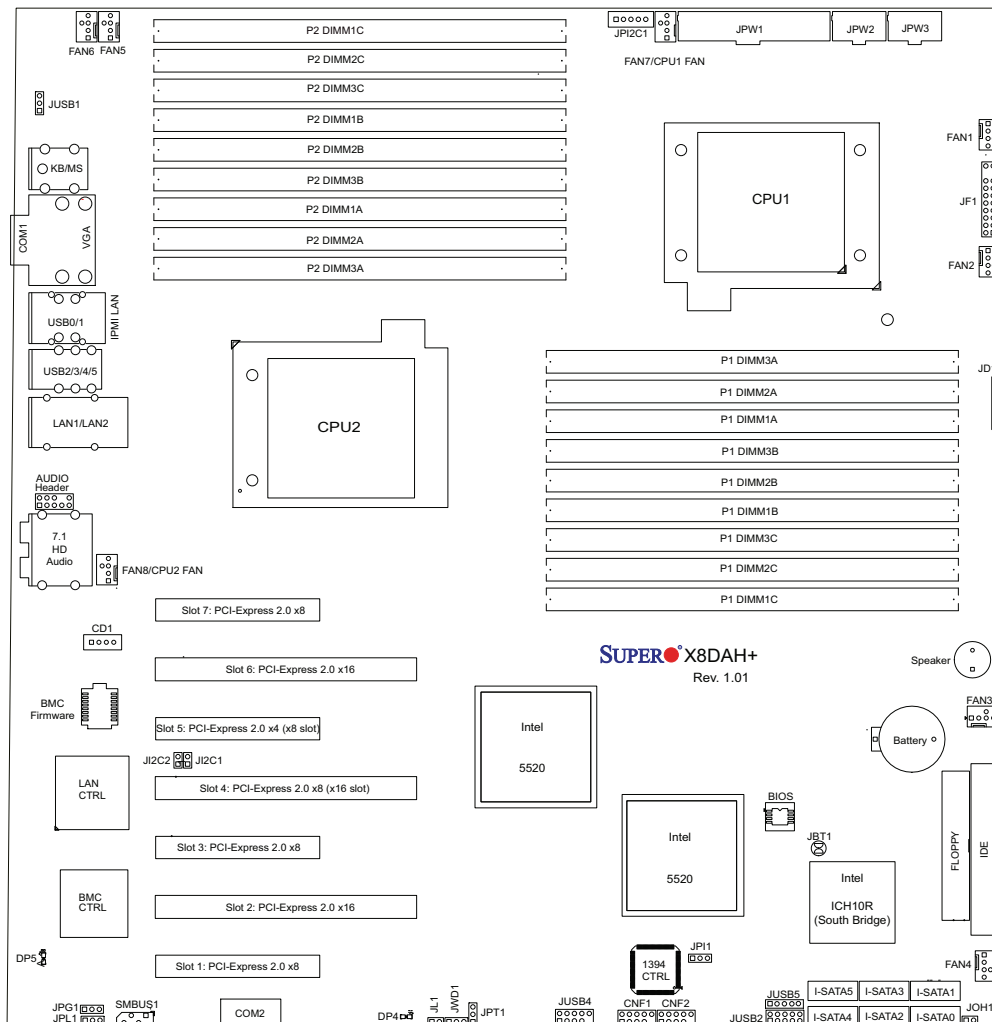
The 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F can accommodate standard size add-on cards installed into all of the slots on the X8DAH+/X8DAH+F serverboard.

Installing an Add-on Card

1. Begin by removing the shield for the PCI slot you wish to populate.
2. Fully seat the card into the slot, pushing down with your thumbs evenly on both sides of the card.
3. Finish by using a screw to secure the top of the card shield to the chassis.
The PCI slot shields protect the serverboard and its components from EMI and aid in proper ventilation, so make sure there is always a shield covering each unused slot.

5-8 Serverboard Details

Figure 5-4. X8DAH+ Layout
(not drawn to scale)



Notes

- Jumpers not indicated are for test purposes only.
- "■" indicates the location of Pin 1.
- When DP4 is on, power is being supplied to the serverboard. Make sure to unplug the AC power cords before removing or installing components.

Note: The X8DAH+F shares the same layout as the X8DAH but includes an onboard Matrox G200eW graphics controller chip and a dedicated IMPI LAN port located above the USB1 port (see Figure 5-2).

X8DAH+ Quick Reference

| Jumper | Description | Default Setting |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| JBT1 | CMOS Clear | Open (Normal) |
| JI ² C1/JI ² C2 | SMB to PCI/PCI-E Slots | Open/Open (Disabled) |
| JPG1 | VGA Enable/Disable | Pins 1-2 (Enabled) |
| JPI1 | 1394-1/1394 (FireWire) Enable/Disable | Pins 1-2 (Enabled) |
| JPL1 | LAN1/2 Enable/Disable | Pins 1-2 (Enabled) |
| JWD1 | Watch Dog | Pins 1-2 (Reset) |

| Connector | Description |
|--------------------|--|
| CNF1/CNF2 | 1394a-1/1394a-2 (FireWire) Headers |
| Audio Connections | BP 7.1 HD Audio, BP Audio Header, CD_In |
| COM1/COM2 | Rear I/O Serial Port/Front Access Serial Header |
| FAN 1-8 | System/CPU Fan Headers (Fans 7 & 8: CPU Fans 1 & 2) |
| Floppy | Floppy Drive |
| IDE | IDE Drive |
| JD1 | PWR LED/Speaker Header |
| JF1 | Control Panel Connector |
| JL1 | Chassis Intrusion Header |
| JOH1 | Overheat LED Header |
| JPI ² C | Power Supply SMBbus I ² C Header |
| JPW1 | 24-pin Main ATX Power Connector |
| JPW2/JPW3 | 8-pin Processor Power Connectors |
| LAN1/2 | Gb LAN (RJ45) Ports |
| I-SATA0 ~ I-SATA5 | SATA Ports |
| SMBUS1 | System Management Bus Header |
| USB 0/1, 2~5 | Rear I/O USB Ports 0/1, 2~5 |
| USB 6/7, 8, 9 | Front Access USB Ports 6/7 (JUSB4), USB 8 (JUSB2), USB 9 (JUSB5) |
| VGA | VGA Connector |

| LED | Description |
|------------|-------------------------------------|
| DP4 | Onboard Standby Power LED Indicator |

5-9 Connector Definitions

Main ATX Power Supply Connector

The primary power supply connector (JPW1) meets the SSI (Superset ATX) EPS 12V specification. Refer to the table on the right for pin definitions. You must also connect the 8-pin (JPW2/JPW3) processor power connectors to your power supply (see below).

| ATX Power 24-pin Connector Pin Definitions | | | |
|---|------------|-------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition | Pin # | Definition |
| 13 | +3.3V | 1 | +3.3V |
| 14 | -12V | 2 | +3.3V |
| 15 | COM | 3 | COM |
| 16 | PS_ON | 4 | +5V |
| 17 | COM | 5 | COM |
| 18 | COM | 6 | +5V |
| 19 | COM | 7 | COM |
| 20 | Res (NC) | 8 | PWR_OK |
| 21 | +5V | 9 | 5VSB |
| 22 | +5V | 10 | +12V |
| 23 | +5V | 11 | +12V |
| 24 | COM | 12 | +3.3V |

Required Connection

Processor Power Connector

JPW2 and JPW3 must also be connected to the power supply. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| Processor Power Connectors Pin Definitions | |
|---|------------|
| Pins | Definition |
| 1 - 4 | Ground |
| 5 - 8 | +12V |

Required Connection

Warning: To prevent damage to the power supply or serverboard, please use a power supply that contains a 24-pin and two 8-pin power connectors. Be sure to connect these connectors to the 24-pin (JPW1) and the two 8-pin (JPW2,JPW3) power connectors on the serverboard. Failure in doing so will void the manufacturer warranty on your power supply and serverboard.

Power Button

The Power On connection is on pins 1 and 2 of JF1. These should be connected to the chassis power button. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| Power Button Pin Definitions (JF1) | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | Power Signal |
| 2 | Ground |

Reset Button

The Reset Button connection is located on pins 3 and 4 of JF1 and attaches to the reset switch on the computer chassis. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| Reset Button Pin Definitions (JF1) | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 3 | Reset |
| 4 | Ground |

Power Fail LED

The Power Fail LED connection is located on pins 5 and 6 of JF1. Refer to the table on the right for pin definitions.

| PWR Fail LED Pin Definitions (JF1) | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 5 | Vcc |
| 6 | Ground |

Overheat/Fan Fail LED (OH)

Connect an LED to the OH connection on pins 7 and 8 of JF1 to provide advanced warning of chassis overheating. Refer to the table on the right for pin definitions.

| OH/Fan Fail LED Pin Definitions (JF1) | | OH/Fan Fail Indicator Status | |
|--|------------|---------------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition | State | Definition |
| 7 | Vcc | Off | Normal |
| 8 | Ground | On | Overheat |
| | | Flash- ing | Fan Fail |

NIC2 (JLAN2) LED

The LED connections for JLAN2 are on pins 9 and 10 of JF1. Attach an LED cable to display network activity. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| NIC2 LED Pin Definitions (JF1) | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 9 | Vcc |
| 10 | Ground |

NIC1 (JLAN1) LED

The LED connections for JLAN1 are on pins 11 and 12 of JF1. Attach an LED cable to display network activity. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| NIC1 LED Pin Definitions (JF1) | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 11 | Vcc |
| 12 | Ground |

HDD LED

The HDD LED connection is located on pins 13 and 14 of JF1. This LED is used to display all hard drive and SATA activity. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| HDD LED Pin Definitions (JF1) | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 13 | Vcc |
| 14 | HD Active |

Power On LED

The Power On LED connector is located on pins 15 and 16 of JF1 (use JLED for a 3-pin connector). This connection is used to provide LED indication of power being supplied to the system. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| Power LED Pin Definitions (JF1) | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 15 | 5V Stby |
| 16 | Control |

NMI Button

The non-maskable interrupt button header is located on pins 19 and 20 of JF1. Refer to the table on the right for pin definitions.

| NMI Button Pin Definitions (JF1) | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 19 | Control |
| 20 | Ground |

Fan Headers

There are eight fan headers on the serverboard, all of which are 4-pin fans. Pins 1-3 of the fan headers are backward compatible with the traditional 3-pin fans. (Fan speed control is supported with 4-pin fans only.) See the table on the right for pin definitions. The onboard fan speeds are controlled by Thermal Management (via Hardware Monitoring) under the Advanced Section in the BIOS. The default is disabled. When using Thermal Management setting, please use all 3-pin fans or all 4-pin fans.

| Fan Header Pin Definitions | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | Ground (Black) |
| 2 | +12V (Red) |
| 3 | Tachometer |
| 4 | PWM Control |

Note: Fan 7 is for the CPU1 heatsink and Fan8 is for the CPU2 heatsink.

ATX PS/2 Keyboard and PS/2 Mouse Ports

The ATX PS/2 keyboard and the PS/2 mouse are located beside the VGA and COM1 ports. The mouse port is above the keyboard port. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| PS/2 Keyboard and Mouse Port Pin Definitions | |
|--|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | Data |
| 2 | NC |
| 3 | Ground |
| 4 | VCC |
| 5 | Clock |
| 6 | NC |

Chassis Intrusion

The Chassis Intrusion header is designated JL1. Attach an appropriate cable from the chassis to inform you of a chassis intrusion when the chassis is opened

| Chassis Intrusion Pin Definitions | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | Intrusion Input |
| 2 | Ground |

LAN1/2 (Ethernet Ports)

Two Ethernet ports (designated LAN1 and LAN2) are located beside the USB ports on the I/O backplane. These ports accept RJ45 type cables.



Serial Ports

Two serial ports are included on the serverboard. COM1 is a backpanel port and COM2 is a header located near PCI slot 1. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| Serial Port Pin Definitions | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition | Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | DCD | 6 | DSR |
| 2 | RXD | 7 | RTS |
| 3 | TXD | 8 | CTS |
| 4 | DTR | 9 | RI |
| 5 | Ground | 10 | NC |

Power LED/Speaker

On JD1 header, pins 1-3 are for a power LED and pins 4-7 are for the speaker. Close pins 4-7 with a jumper to use an external speaker. If you wish to use the onboard speaker, please close pins 6-7. See the table on the right for speaker pin definitions.

| Power LED/Speaker Header | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Pin Setting | Definition |
| Pins 6-7 | Internal Speaker |
| Pins 4-7 | External Speaker |

Overheat LED/Fan Fail (JOH1)

The JOH1 header is used to connect an LED to provide warning of chassis overheating or fan failure. This LED will blink to indicate a fan failure. Refer to the tables on right for LED status and pin definitions.

| OH/Fan Fail LED States | | Overheat LED Pin Definitions (JOH1) | |
|------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| State | Message | Pin# | Definition |
| Solid | Overheat | 1 | 5vDC |
| Blinking | Fan Fail | 2 | OH Active |

Universal Serial Bus (USB)

Six Universal Serial Bus ports (USB 0/1, 2~5) are located on the I/O back panel. Additionally, four USB headers (USB 6/7, 8, 9) are on the serverboard to provide front chassis access (cables are not included). See the tables on the right for pin definitions.

| Rear I/O USB Ports (USB 0/1, 2~5) | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Pin# | Definitions |
| 1 | +5V |
| 2 | PO- |
| 3 | PO+ |
| 4 | Ground |
| 5 | N/A |

| Front Panel USB Header Pin Definitions (USB6/7, 8/9) | | | |
|---|------------|---------|---------------|
| USB 6/8 | | USB 7/9 | |
| Pin # | Definition | Pin # | Definition |
| 1 | +5V | 1 | +5V |
| 2 | PO- | 2 | PO- |
| 3 | PO+ | 3 | PO+ |
| 4 | Ground | 4 | Ground |
| 5 | Key | 5 | No connection |

System Management Bus

The System Management Bus header is designated SMBUS1 on the serverboard. Connect the appropriate cable here to use the SMB connection on your system.

| SMB Header Pin Definitions | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | Data |
| 2 | Ground |
| 3 | Clock |
| 4 | No Connection |

IEEE 1394a Connections

CNF1 and CNF2 provide IEEE 1394a (FireWire) connections on the serverboard. See the tables on the right for pin definitions.

| CNF1 Pin Definitions | | | |
|-------------------------|------------|------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition | Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | PTPA0+ | 2 | PTPA0- |
| 3 | GND | 4 | GND |
| 5 | PTPB0+ | 6 | PTPB0- |
| 7 | PWR 1394a | 8 | PWR 1394a |
| 9 | Key | 10 | ZX |

| CNF2 Pin Definitions | | | |
|-------------------------|------------|------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition | Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | PTPA1+ | 2 | PTPA1- |
| 3 | GND | 4 | GND |
| 5 | PTPB1+ | 6 | PTPB1- |
| 7 | PWR 1394a | 8 | PWR 1394a |
| 9 | Key | 10 | ZY |

Power SMB (I²C) Connector

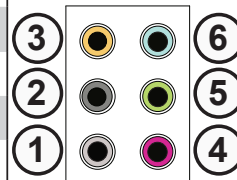
The Power System Management Bus (I²C) connector (JPI²C) may be used to monitor the status of the power supply, fans and system temperatures. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| PWR SMB Pin Definitions | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | Clock |
| 2 | Data |
| 3 | PWR Fail |
| 4 | Ground |
| 5 | +3.3V |

High Definition Audio (HD Audio)

The serverboard features a 7.1+2 Channel High Definition Audio (HDA) codec that provides 10 DAC channels. The HD Audio connections simultaneously support multiple-streaming 7.1 sound playback with 2 channels of independent stereo output through the front panel stereo out for front L&R, rear L&R, center and subwoofer speakers. Use the Advanced software included in the CD-ROM with your serverboard to enable this function.

| HD Audio | |
|----------|---------------|
| Jack# | Signal |
| 1 | Side_Surround |
| 2 | Back_Surround |
| 3 | CEN/LFE |
| 4 | Microphone_In |
| 5 | Front |
| 6 | Line_In |



CD & 10-pin Audio Headers

A 4-pin CD header (CD1) and a 10-pin Audio header are also included on the serverboard. These headers allow you to use the onboard sound for audio CD playback. Connect an audio cable from your CD drive to the CD header that fits your cable's connector. See the tables at right for the pin definitions of these headers.

| CD1 Pin Definitions | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Pin# | Definition |
| 1 | Left |
| 2 | Ground |
| 3 | Ground |
| 4 | Right |

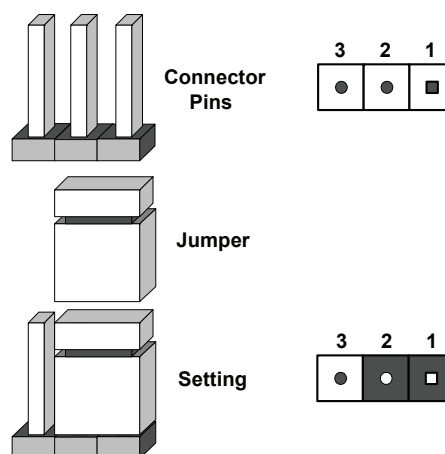
| 10-pin Audio Pin Definitions | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Pin# | Signal |
| 1 | Microphone_Left |
| 2 | Audio_Ground |
| 3 | Microphone_Right |
| 4 | Audio_Detect |
| 5 | Line_2_Right |
| 6 | Ground |
| 7 | Jack_Detect |
| 8 | Key |
| 9 | Line_2_Left |
| 10 | Ground |

5-10 Jumper Settings

Explanation of Jumpers

To modify the operation of the serverboard, 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. See the serverboard layout pages for jumper locations.

Note: On a two-pin jumper, "Closed" means the jumper is on both pins and "Open" means the jumper is either on only one pin or completely removed.



CMOS Clear

JBT1 is used to clear CMOS (which will also clear any passwords). Instead of pins, this jumper consists of contact pads to prevent accidentally clearing the contents of CMOS.

To clear CMOS,

1. First power down the system and unplug the power cord(s).
2. With the power disconnected, short the CMOS pads with a metal object such as a small screwdriver.
3. Remove the screwdriver (or shorting device).
4. Reconnect the power cord(s) and power on the system.

Note: Do not use the PW_ON connector to clear CMOS.

VGA Enable/Disable

JPG1 allows you to enable or disable the VGA port. The default position is on pins 1 and 2 to enable VGA. See the table on the right for jumper settings.

| VGA Enable/Disable Jumper Settings | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Jumper Setting | Definition |
| Pins 1-2 | Enabled |
| Pins 2-3 | Disabled |

LAN1/2 Enable/Disable

Change the setting of jumper JPL1 to enable or disable the LAN1/LAN2 Ethernet ports on the serverboard. See the table on the right for jumper settings. The default setting is enabled.

| LAN1/2 Enable/Disable Jumper Settings | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Jumper Setting | Definition |
| Pins 1-2 | Enabled |
| Pins 2-3 | Disabled |

Watch Dog

Jumper JWD1 controls the Watch Dog function. Watch Dog is a system monitor that can reboot the system when a software application hangs. Jumping pins 1-2 will cause WD to reset the system if an application hangs. Jumping pins 2-3 will generate a non-maskable interrupt signal for the application that hangs. See the table on the right for jumper settings. Watch Dog must also be enabled in BIOS.

| Watch Dog Jumper Settings | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Jumper Setting | Definition |
| Pins 1-2 | Reset |
| Pins 2-3 | NMI |
| Open | Disabled |

Note: When enabled, the user needs to write their own application software in order to disable the Watch Dog Timer.

IDE Enable/Disable

Jumper JIDE1 allows you to enable or disable the onboard IDE connector. The default setting is Pins 1-2 to enable the connection. See the table on the right for jumper settings.

| IDE Enable/Disable Jumper Settings | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Jumper | Definition |
| 1-2 | IDE Enabled |
| 2-3 | IDE Disabled |

I²C Bus to PCI-X/PCI-Exp. Slots

Jumpers JI²C1 and JI²C2 allow you to connect the System Management Bus (I²C) to the PCI slots. The default setting is Open (Disabled.) Both jumpers must be set to the same setting. See the table on the right for jumper settings.

| I ² C to PCI-E Slots Jumper Settings | | |
|---|----------------------------|----------|
| Jumper Setting | Definition | |
| JI ² C1: Closed | JI ² C2: Closed | Enabled |
| JI ² C1: Open | JI ² C2: Open | Disabled |

1394a-1/1394a-2 Enable/Disable

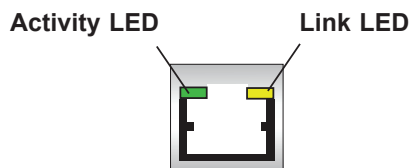
Use jumper JPI1 to enable the 1394a connections at CNF1(1394a-1)/CNF2 (1394a-2) on the serverboard. See the table on the right for jumper settings.

| FireWire Enable/Disable Jumper Settings | |
|---|-------------------|
| Jumper Setting | Definition |
| 1~2 | Enabled (Default) |
| 2~3 | Disabled |

5-11 Onboard Indicators

LAN Port LEDs

The Ethernet ports (located beside the VGA port) have two LEDs. On each port, the yellow LED flashes to indicate activity while the other LED may be green, amber or off to indicate the speed of the connection. See the table on the right for the functions associated with the connection speed LED.



| LAN Port LED (Connection Speed Indicator) | |
|---|---------------|
| LED Color | Definition |
| Off | NC or 10 Mb/s |
| Green | 100 Mb/s |
| Amber | 1 Gb/s |

Onboard Power LED

An Onboard Power LED is located at DP4 on the serverboard. When this LED is lit, the system is on. Be sure to turn off the system and unplug the power cord before removing or installing components. See the tables at right for more information.

| Onboard PWR LED | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| LED Color | Definition |
| Off | System Off (PWR cable not connected) |
| On | System Power On |

5-12 Floppy and SATA Ports

Use the following information to connect the IDE hard disk drive cables.

- A red mark on a wire typically designates the location of pin 1.
- The 80-wire ATA100/66 IDE hard disk drive cable that came with your system has two connectors to support two drives. This special cable should be used to take advantage of the speed this new technology offers. The blue connector connects to the onboard IDE connector interface and the other connector(s) to your hard drive(s). Consult the documentation that came with your disk drive for details on actual jumper locations and settings for the hard disk drive.

Floppy Drive Connector

The floppy connector is located beside the IDE connector. See the table below for pin definitions.

| Floppy Drive Connector Pin Definitions | | | |
|---|------------|-------|----------------|
| Pin# | Definition | Pin # | Definition |
| 1 | Ground | 2 | FDHDIN |
| 3 | Ground | 4 | Reserved |
| 5 | Key | 6 | FDEDIN |
| 7 | Ground | 8 | Index |
| 9 | Ground | 10 | Motor Enable |
| 11 | Ground | 12 | Drive Select B |
| 13 | Ground | 14 | Drive Select B |
| 15 | Ground | 16 | Motor Enable |
| 17 | Ground | 18 | DIR |
| 19 | Ground | 20 | STEP |
| 21 | Ground | 22 | Write Data |
| 23 | Ground | 24 | Write Gate |
| 25 | Ground | 26 | Track 00 |
| 27 | Ground | 28 | Write Protect |
| 29 | Ground | 30 | Read Data |
| 31 | Ground | 32 | Side 1 Select |
| 33 | Ground | 34 | Diskette |

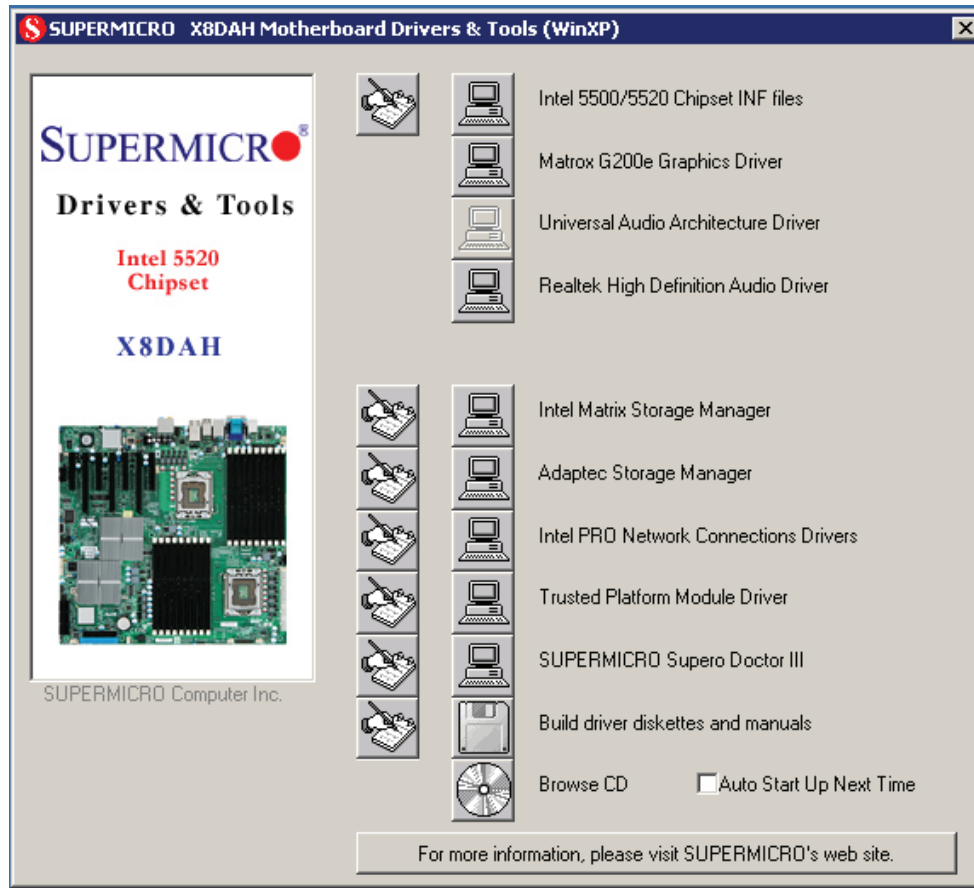
SATA Ports

There are no jumpers to configure the onboard SATA connectors. See the table on the right for pin definitions.

| SATA Port Pin Definitions | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Pin # | Definition |
| 1 | Ground |
| 2 | TXP |
| 3 | TXN |
| 4 | Ground |
| 5 | RXN |
| 6 | RXP |
| 7 | Ground |

5-13 Installing Software

After the hardware has been installed, you should first install the operating system and then the drivers. The necessary drivers are all included on the Supermicro CDs that came packaged with your serverboard.



Driver/Tool Installation Display Screen

Note: Click the icons showing a hand writing on paper to view the readme files for each item. Click the computer icons to the right of these items to install each item (from top to the bottom) one at a time. **After installing each item, you must re-boot the system before moving on to the next item on the list.** The bottom icon with a CD on it allows you to view the entire contents of the CD.

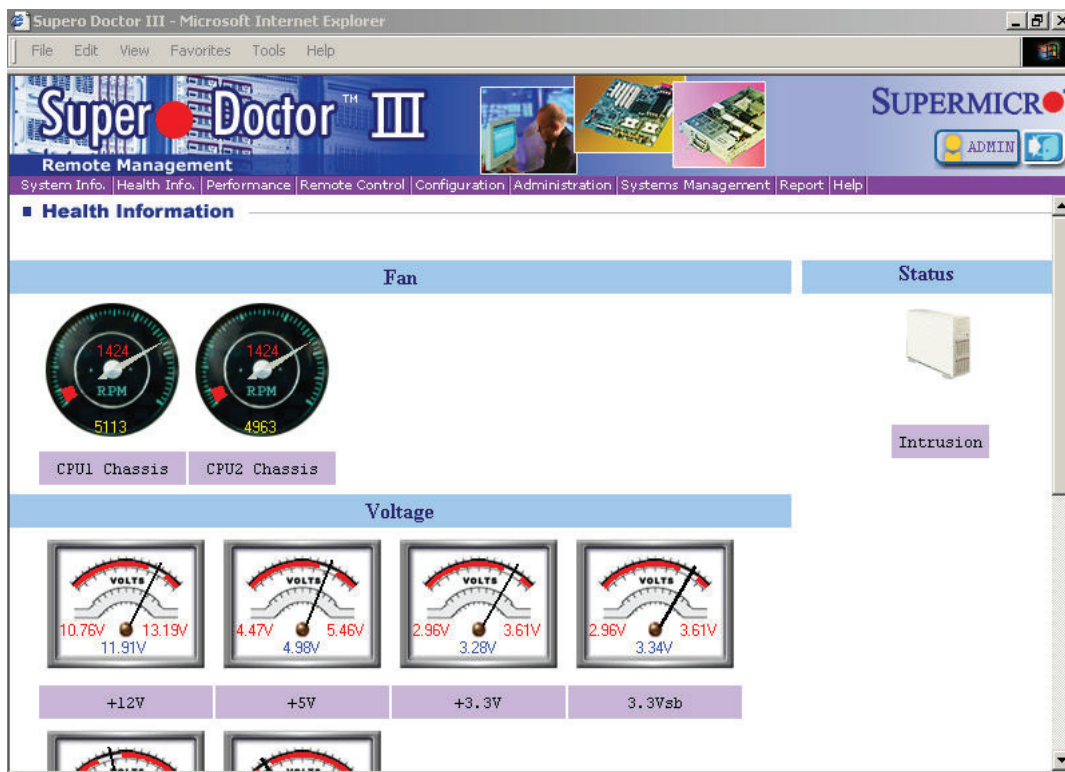
Supero Doctor III

The Supero Doctor III program is a Web based management tool that supports remote management capability. It includes Remote and Local Management tools. The local management is called SD III Client. The Supero Doctor III program included on the CD-ROM that came with your serverboard allows you to monitor the environment and operations of your system. Supero Doctor III displays crucial system information such as CPU temperature, system voltages and fan status. See the Figure below for a display of the Supero Doctor III interface.

Note: The default User Name and Password for SuperDoctor III is ADMIN / ADMIN.

Note: When SuperDoctor III is first installed, it adopts the temperature threshold settings that have been set in BIOS. Any subsequent changes to these thresholds must be made within Super Doctor, as the Super Doctor settings override the BIOS settings. To set the BIOS temperature threshold settings again, you would first need to uninstall SuperDoctor III.

Supero Doctor III Interface Display Screen (Health Information)



Supero Doctor III Interface Display Screen (Remote Control)

Graceful power control

Supero Doctor III allows a user to inform the OS to reboot or shut down within a specified time (the default is 30 seconds). Before the system reboots or shuts down, it's allowed to cancel the action.

Requirements

Keep Supero SD3Service Daemon running at all times on this system.
Provide TCP/IP connectivity.

Power control

Note: SD III Software Revision 1.0 can be downloaded from our Web Site at: ftp://ftp.supermicro.com/utility/Supero_Doctor_III/. You can also download the SDIII User's Guide at: <http://www.supermicro.com/PRODUCT/Manuals/SDIII/UserGuide.pdf>. For Linux, we will recommend using Supero Doctor II.

Chapter 6

Advanced Chassis Setup

This chapter covers the steps required to install components and perform simple maintenance on the SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ chassis. Following the component installation steps in the order given will eliminate most common problems. If some steps are unnecessary, skip ahead to the step that follows. Refer to Chapter 2 for instructions on installing the system as a 4U rackmount.

Tools Required: The only tool you will need is a Philips screwdriver.

6-1 Static-Sensitive Devices

Static electrical discharge can damage electronic components. To prevent damage to any printed circuit boards (PCBs), it is important to handle them very carefully. The following measures are generally sufficient to protect your equipment from static discharge.

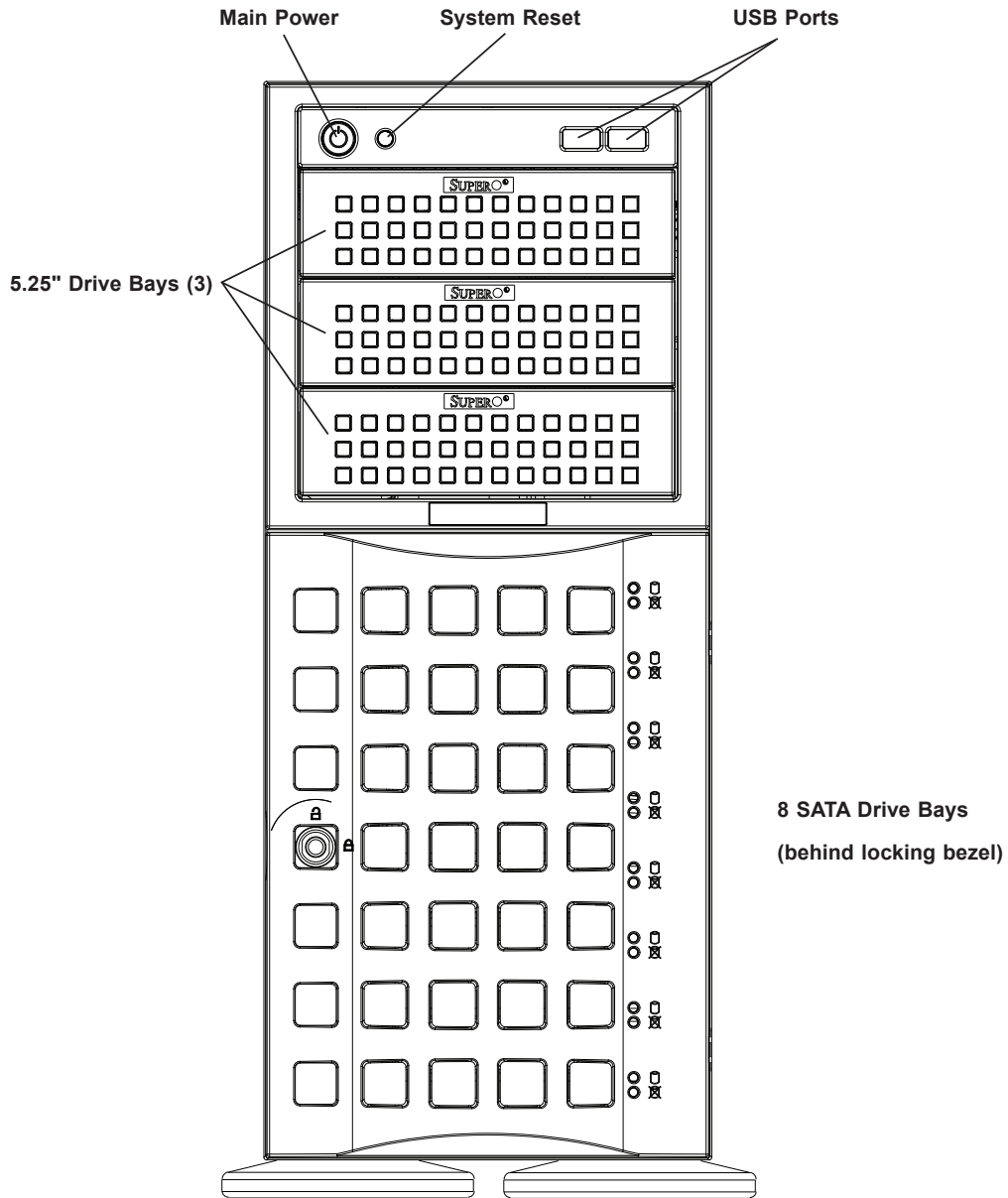
Precautions

- Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.
- Touch a grounded metal object before removing any board from its antistatic bag.
- Handle a board 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 serverboard, add-on cards and peripherals back into their antistatic bags when not in use.
- For grounding purposes, make sure your computer chassis provides excellent conductivity between the power supply, the case, the mounting fasteners and the serverboard.

Unpacking

The serverboard is shipped in antistatic packaging. When unpacking the board, make sure the person handling it is static protected.







Figure 6-1. Chassis Front View



6-2 Front Control Panel

The front control panel must be connected to the JF1 connector on the serverboard to provide you with system status and alarm indications. A ribbon cable has bundled these wires together to simplify this connection. Connect the cable from JF1 on the serverboard (making sure the red wire plugs into pin 1) to the appropriate connector on the front control panel's PCB (printed circuit board). Pull all excess cabling over to the control panel side of the chassis. The LEDs on the control panel inform you of system status - see Figure 6-2 for details. See Chapter 5 for details on JF1.

Figure 6-2. Front Control Panel LEDs

| | | |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Power |  | Indicates power is being supplied to the system. |
| HDD |  | Indicates hard drive activity. On the SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ, this LED indicates SATA hard drive activity when flashing. |
| NIC1 |  | Indicates network activity on LAN port 1. |
| NIC2 |  | Indicates network activity on LAN port 2 |
| Overheat/ Fan Fail |  | When this LED flashes, it indicates a fan failure. When on continuously it indicates an overheat condition (see Chapter 3 for details). |
| Power Fail |  | Indicates a power supply failure. |

6-3 System Fans

Three 8-cm chassis cooling fans (located in the center of the chassis) provide cooling airflow while two 8-cm exhaust fans expel hot air from the chassis. The chassis is also fitted with an air shroud to concentrate the flow of cooling air over the areas of highest generated heat. The fans should all be connected to headers on the serverboard (see Chapter 5). Each power supply module also has a cooling fan.

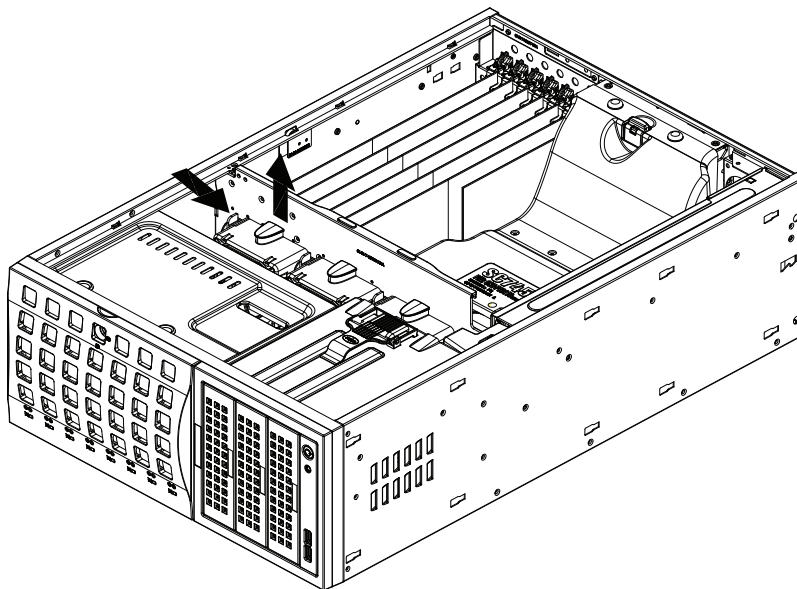
Fan Failure

Under normal operation, all three chassis fans, both exhaust fans and the power supply fans run continuously. The chassis fans and the exhaust fans are hot-swappable and can be replaced without powering down the system.

Replacing Chassis Cooling Fans

1. First, remove the top/left chassis cover (see Chapter 2 for details on removing the cover) to locate the fan that has stopped working.
2. Depress the locking tab on the failed fan: on a chassis fan, push the tab on the side of the housing inward, on the exhaust fan push down on the colored tab. With the tab depressed, pull the unit straight out (see Figure 6-3). The wiring for these fans has been designed to detach automatically.
3. Replace the failed fan with an identical one. Install it in the same position and orientation as the one you removed; it should click into place when fully inserted. Check that the fan is working then replace the top/left side chassis panel.

Figure 6-3. Removing a Chassis Fan



6-4 Drive Bay Installation

SATA Drives

A total of six SATA drives may be housed in the SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ chassis. The drive IDs are preconfigured as 0 through 5 in order from bottom to top (or from left to right if rackmounted). A bezel covers the drive area but does not need to be removed to access the drives; simply swing open the bezel. If you wish to remove the bezel piece, push on the three tabs on the inside of the left lip of the front chassis cover. Then slightly swing out the same (left) side of the cover - about ½ inch only. Remove by pushing on the open side of the cover to remove it from the chassis (do not try to swing or pull it straight out after opening the left side).

The SATA drives are mounted in drive carriers to simplify their installation and removal from the chassis. These drives are hot-swappable, meaning they can be removed and installed without powering down the system. The carriers also work to promote proper airflow for the system. For this reason, even carriers without SATA drives must remain in the server.



Regardless of how many SATA drives are installed, all drive carriers must remain in the drive bays to promote proper airflow.

Installing/Removing SATA Drives

1. To remove a carrier, first open the front bezel.
2. Push the release button located beside the drive LEDs (See Figure 6-4).
3. Swing the handle fully out and then use it to pull the unit straight out.

Note: Your operating system must have RAID support to enable the hot-swap capability of the SATA drives.

Mounting a SATA Drive in a Drive Carrier

1. Insert the drive into the carrier with the printed circuit board side facing down so that the mounting holes align with those in the carrier.
2. Secure the drive to the carrier with four screws (see Figure 6-5).

Figure 6-4. Removing a SATA Drive Carrier

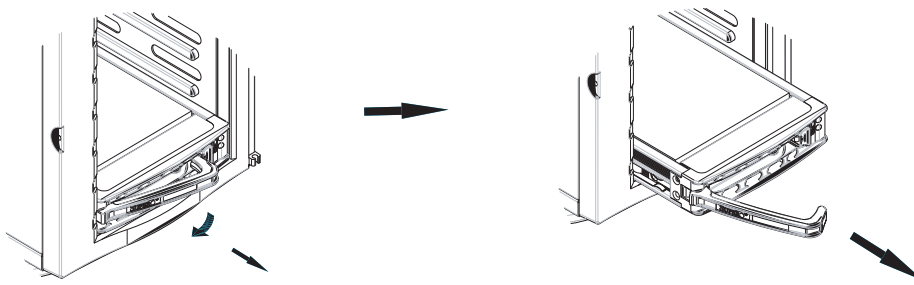
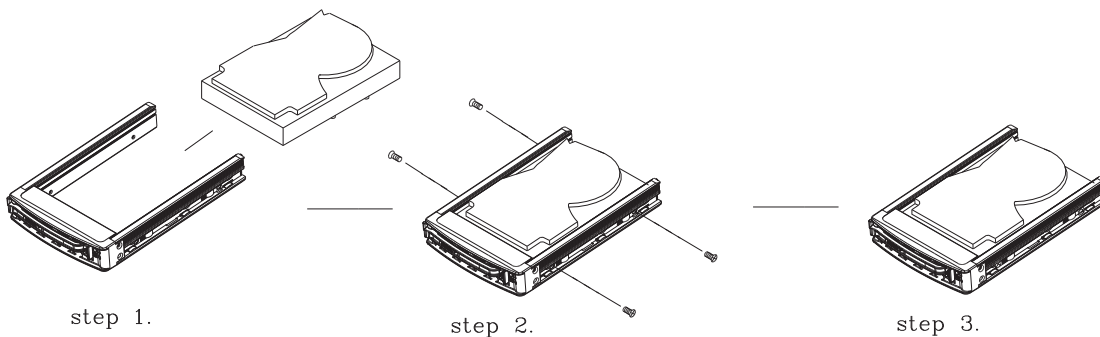


Figure 6-5. Mounting a SATA Drive in a Carrier



Important! Use extreme caution when working around the SATA backplane. Do not touch the backplane with any metal objects and make sure no cables touch the backplane or obstruct the airflow holes.

SATA Backplane

The SATA drives plug into a SATA backplane. Six data cables and two SATA LED cables need to be connected from the serverboard to the appropriate connectors on the backplane to support SATA six drives. You cannot cascade the SATA backplane.

Installing Components in the 5.25" Drive Bays

The 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F has three 5.25" drive bays. Components such as an extra floppy drive, IDE hard drives or DVD-ROM drives can be installed into these 5.25" drive bays.

1. First power down the system and then remove the top/left chassis cover to access the drive components.
2. With the cover off, remove the two or four screws that secure the drive carrier to the chassis (one side only) then push the entire empty drive carrier out from the back.

Adding a DVD-ROM Drive

1. Remove the guide plates (one on each side) from the empty drive carrier and screw them into both sides of the DVD-ROM drive using the holes provided.
2. Slide the DVD-ROM into the bay and secure it to the chassis with the drive carrier screws you first removed.
3. Attach the power and data cables to the drive.
4. Replace the top/left chassis cover before restoring power to the system.

Adding a Floppy Drive

1. Install a floppy drive into one of the removed empty drive carriers with the printed circuit board side toward the carrier so that the drive's mounting holes align with those in the carrier.
2. Secure the drive to the carrier with four screws then slide the assembly into the bay and secure it to the chassis with the drive carrier screws you first removed.
3. Attach the power and data cables to the drive.
4. Replace the top/left chassis cover before restoring power to the system.

Note: A red wire typically designates the location of pin 1. You should keep the drive carriers inserted in any unused drive bays to reduce EMI and noise and to facilitate the airflow inside the chassis.

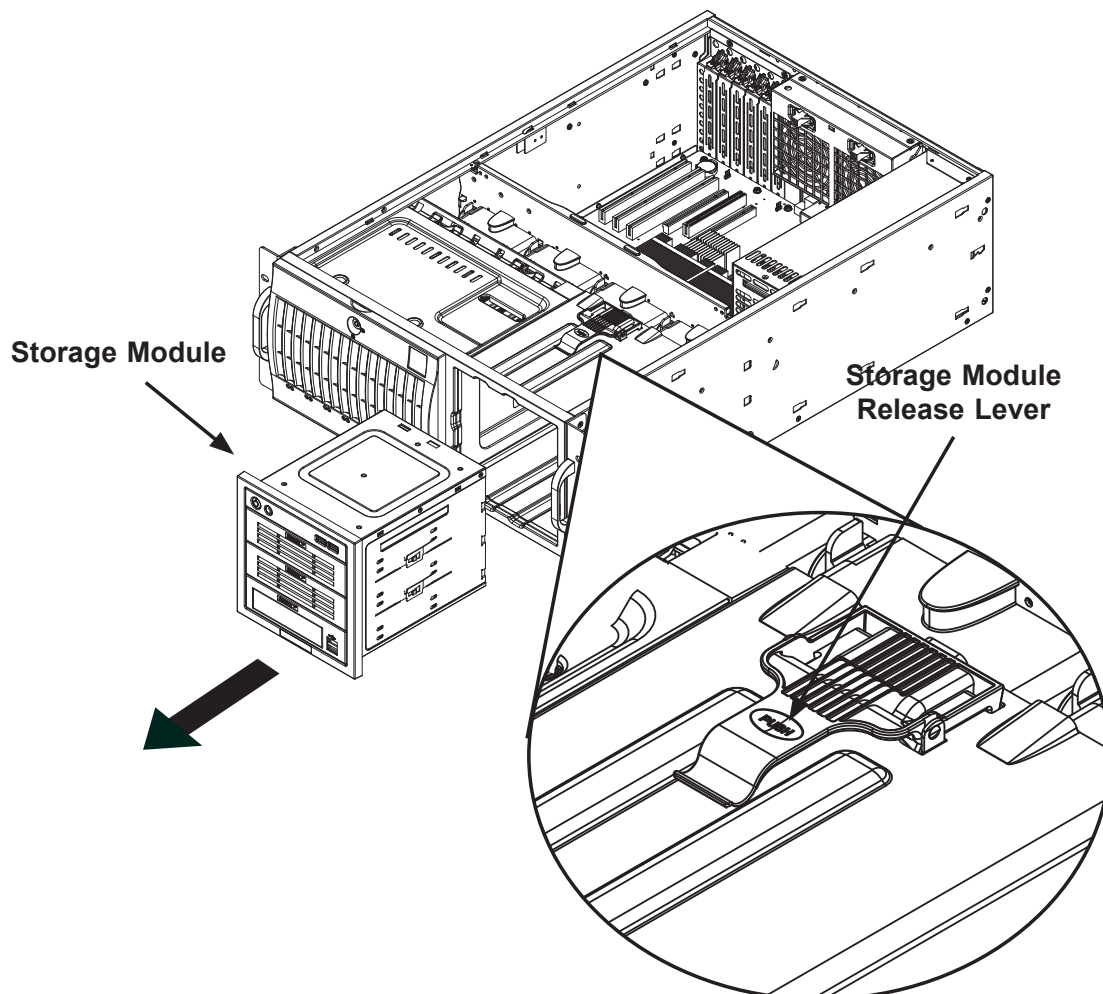
Storage Module

If the 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F is to be used in a rack configuration, you must turn the storage module 90 degrees. This can be done before, during, or after setup.

Rotating the Storage Module

1. Open the chassis cover.
2. Disconnect any cables from the storage module to any components in the chassis.
3. Push the storage module release lever to unlock the storage module.
4. Grasp the external edges of the storage module and pull it from the chassis.
5. Turn the storage module 90 degrees (as illustrated).
6. Reinsert the module into the chassis and reconnect the cords.

Figure 6-6. Rotating the Storage Module



Adding Drives to the Storage Module

The storage module includes three full sized drive bays and the front LED panel. The storage module can be set up one of three ways:

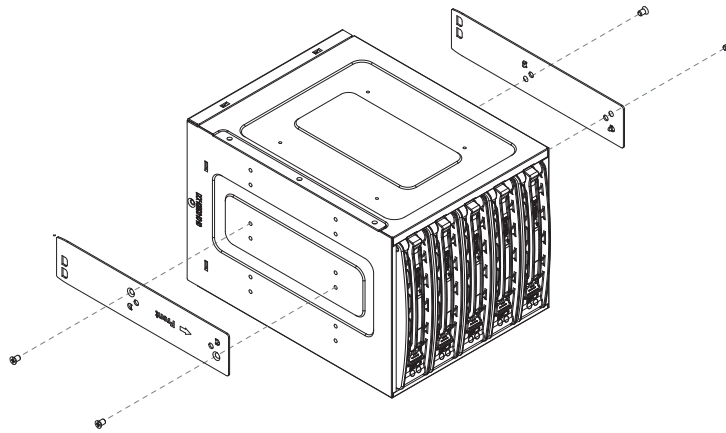
- Add up to three extra hard drives to the drive trays (see page 6-7).
- Add up to three peripheral drives (CD-ROM, DVD-ROM, etc.) to the drive trays (see page 6-8).
- Add five hot swappable hard drives to the storage module. This configuration requires a mobile rack. See procedure below.

Using a Mobile Rack

The SC745TQ-R1200B chassis accepts a CSE-M35T-1/CSE-M35TQ mobile rack to install extra hot swappable hard drives. The mobile rack goes into the storage module, which goes into the chassis.

1. Open the chassis cover.
2. Locate the drive release tabs.
3. Pull the first drive release tab and push the drive tray toward the front of the chassis. Repeat this for all three tabs.
4. Remove the hard drive tray rails from the hard drive tray. To do this, you must remove two screws from each side. Do this for all three hard drive trays.
5. Attach the rails to a DVD-ROM, CD-ROM, floppy drive, or other peripheral drive. The rails should fit any standard sized peripherals.
6. Install all six hard drive rails to the mobile rack. Each individual rail requires two screws. Also, make sure the arrow on the rail points toward the front of the chassis.
7. Slide the mobile rack into the storage module and chassis.

For more information on mobile rack installation and use, refer to SC745 chassis manual (available for download on our web site).

Figure 6-7. Adding Drives to the Mobile Rack

6-5 Power Supply

The SuperWorkstation 7046A-HR+/7046A-HR+F has a redundant 1400 watt power supply consisting of two power modules. Each power supply module has an auto-switching capability, which enables it to automatically sense and operate at a 100V - 240V input voltage.

Power Supply Failure

If either of the two power supply modules fail, the other module will take the full load and allow the system to continue operation without interruption. The PWR Fail LED will illuminate and remain on until the failed unit has been replaced. Replacement units can be ordered directly from Supermicro (see contact information in the Preface). The hot-swap capability of the power supply modules allows you to replace the failed module without powering down the system.

Removing/Replacing the Power Supply

You do not need to shut down the system to replace a power supply unit. The redundant feature will keep the system up and running while you replace the failed hot-swap unit. Replace with the same model (see Appendix).

Removing the Power Supply

1. First unplug the power cord from the failed power supply unit.
2. Depress the locking tab on the power supply unit and pull the unit straight out by the handle.

Installing a New Power Supply

1. Replace the failed module with another power supply module (must be the exact same model).
2. Push the new power supply unit into the power bay until you hear a click.
3. Finish by plugging the AC power cord back into the power supply module.

Notes

Chapter 7

BIOS

7-1 Introduction

This chapter describes the AMI BIOS Setup Utility for the X8DAH+/X8DAH+F. The AMI ROM BIOS is stored in a Flash EEPROM and can be easily updated. This chapter describes the basic navigation of the AMI BIOS Setup Utility setup screens.

Starting BIOS Setup Utility

To enter the AMI BIOS Setup Utility screens, press the <Delete> key while the system is booting up.



Note: In most cases, the <Delete> key is used to invoke the AMI BIOS setup screen. There are a few cases when other keys are used, such as <F1>, <F2>, etc.

Each main BIOS menu option is described in this manual. The Main BIOS setup menu screen has two main frames. The left frame displays all the options that can be configured. Grayed-out options cannot be configured. Options in blue can be configured by the user. The right frame displays the key legend. Above the key legend is an area reserved for a text message. When an option is selected in the left frame, it is highlighted in white. Often a text message will accompany it. (**Note:** the AMI BIOS has default text messages built in. Supermicro retains the option to include, omit, or change any of these text messages.)

The AMI BIOS Setup Utility uses a key-based navigation system called "hot keys". Most of the AMI BIOS setup utility "hot keys" can be used at any time during the setup navigation process. These keys include <F1>, <F10>, <Enter>, <ESC>, arrow keys, etc.



Note: Options printed in **Bold** are default settings.

How To Change the Configuration Data

The configuration data that determines the system parameters may be changed by entering the AMI BIOS Setup utility. This Setup utility can be accessed by pressing at the appropriate time during system boot.

Starting the Setup Utility

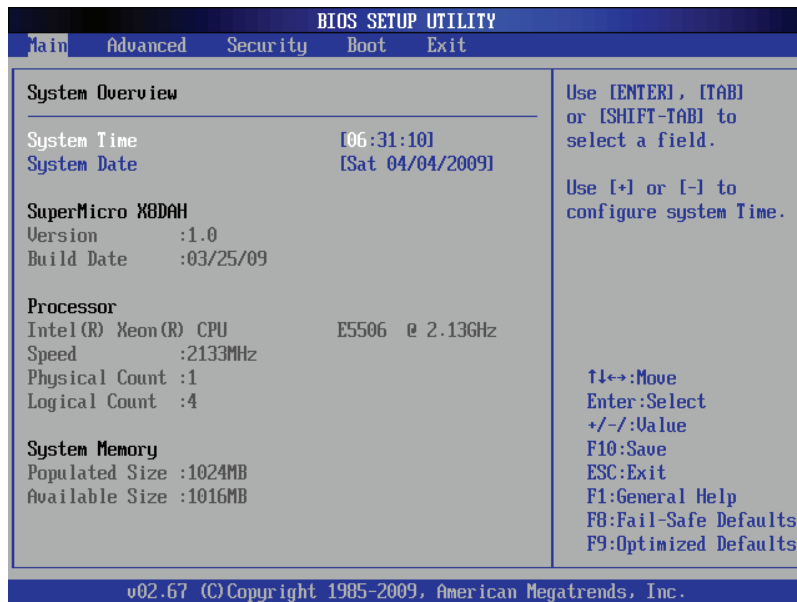
Normally, the only visible Power-On Self-Test (POST) routine is the memory test. As the memory is being tested, press the <Delete> key to enter the main menu of the AMI BIOS Setup Utility. From the main menu, you can access the other setup screens. An AMI BIOS identification string is displayed at the left bottom corner of the screen below the copyright message.



Warning! Do not upgrade the BIOS unless your system has a BIOS-related issue. Flashing the wrong BIOS can cause irreparable damage to the system. In no event shall Supermicro be liable for direct, indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages arising from a BIOS update. If you have to update the BIOS, do not shut down or reset the system while the BIOS is updating. This is to avoid possible boot failure.

7-2 Main Setup

When you first enter the AMI BIOS Setup Utility, you will enter the Main setup screen. You can always return to the Main setup screen by selecting the Main tab on the top of the screen. The Main BIOS Setup screen is shown below.



System Overview: The following BIOS information will be displayed:

System Time/System Date

Use this option to change the system time and date. Highlight *System Time* or *System Date* using the arrow keys. Key in new values through the keyboard and press <Enter>. Press the <Tab> key to move between fields. The date must be entered in Day MM/DD/YY format. The time is entered in HH:MM:SS format. (**Note:** The time is in the 24-hour format. For example, 5:30 P.M. appears as 17:30:00.)

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- **Version:** This item displays the BIOS revision used in your system.
- **Build Date:** This item displays the date when this BIOS was completed.

Processor

The AMI BIOS will automatically display the status of the processor used in your system:

- **CPU Type:** This item displays the type of CPU used in the motherboard.
- **Speed:** This item displays the speed of the CPU detected by the BIOS.
- **Physical Count:** This item displays the number of processors installed in your system as detected by the BIOS.
- **Logical Count:** This item displays the number of CPU Cores installed in your system as detected by the BIOS.

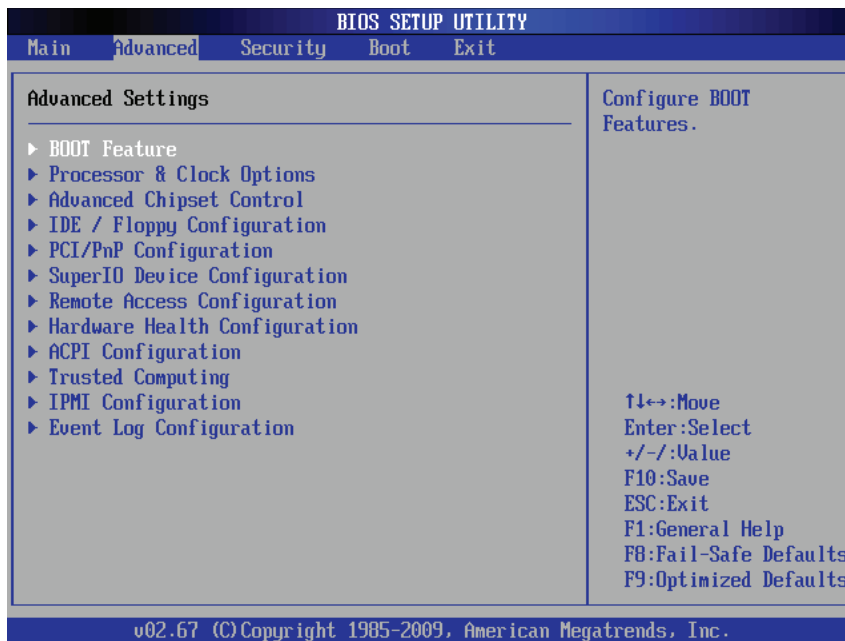
System Memory

This displays the size of memory available in the system:

- **Populated Size:** This item displays the installed memory size detected by the BIOS.
- **Available Size:** This item displays the available memory detected by the BIOS.

7-3 Advanced Setup Configurations

Use the arrow keys to select Boot Setup and hit <Enter> to access the submenu items:



► BOOT Features

Quick Boot

If Enabled, this option will skip certain tests during POST to reduce the time needed for system boot. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

Quiet Boot

This option allows the bootup screen options to be modified between POST messages or the OEM logo. Select Disabled to display the POST messages. Select Enabled to display the OEM logo instead of the normal POST messages. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

AddOn ROM Display Mode

This sets the display mode for Option ROM. The options are **Force BIOS** and Keep Current.

Bootup Num-Lock

This feature selects the Power-on state for Numlock key. The options are Off and **On**.

PS/2 Mouse Support

This feature enables support for the PS/2 mouse. The options are Disabled, Enabled and **Auto**.

Wait For 'F1' If Error

This forces the system to wait until the 'F1' key is pressed if an error occurs. The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

Hit 'Del' Message Display

This feature displays "Press DEL to run Setup" during POST. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

Watch Dog Function

If enabled, the Watch Dog Timer will allow the system to reboot when it is inactive for more than 5 minutes. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

Restore on AC Power Loss

Use this feature to set the power state after a power outage. Select Power-Off for the system power to remain off after a power loss. Select Power-On for the system power to be turned on after a power loss. Select Last State to allow the system to resume its last state before a power loss. The options are Power-On, Power-Off and **Last State**.

Interrupt 19 Capture

Interrupt 19 is the software interrupt that handles the boot disk function. When this item is set to Enabled, the ROM BIOS of the host adaptors will "capture" Interrupt 19 at boot and allow the drives that are attached to these host adaptors to function as bootable disks. If this item is set to Disabled, the ROM BIOS of the host adaptors will not capture Interrupt 19, and the drives attached to these adaptors will not function as bootable devices. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

►Processor and Clock Options

This submenu allows the user to configure the Processor and Clock settings.

CPU Ratio

If set to Manual, this option allows the user to set the ratio between the CPU Core Clock and the FSB Frequency. (**Note:** if an invalid ratio is entered, the AMI BIOS will restore the setting to the previous state.) The options are **Auto** and Manual.

Ratio CMOS Setting

If CPU Ratio is set to Manual (above), this option allows the user to set the ratio between the CPU Core Clock and the FSB Frequency. (**Note:** if an invalid ratio is entered, the AMI BIOS will restore the setting to the previous state.) The default setting depends on the type of CPU installed on the motherboard. The default setting for the CPU installed in your motherboard is **[21]**. Press "+" or "-" on your keyboard to change this value.

Clock Spread Spectrum

Select Enable to use the feature of Clock Spectrum, which will allow the BIOS to monitor and attempt to reduce the level of Electromagnetic Interference caused by the components whenever needed. The options are **Disabled** and **Enabled**.

Hardware Prefetcher (Available when supported by the CPU)

If set to Enabled, the hardware pre fetcher will pre fetch streams of data and instructions from the main memory to the L2 cache in the forward or backward manner to improve CPU performance. The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

Adjacent Cache Line Prefetch (Available when supported by the CPU)

The CPU fetches the cache line for 64 bytes if this option is set to Disabled. The CPU fetches both cache lines for 128 bytes as comprised if **Enabled**.

Intel® Virtualization Technology (Available when supported by the CPU)

Select Enabled to use the feature of Virtualization Technology to allow one platform to run multiple operating systems and applications in independent partitions, creating multiple "virtual" systems in one physical computer. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**. **Note:** If there is any change to this setting, you will need to power off and restart the system for the change to take effect. Please refer to Intel's web site for detailed information.

Execute-Disable Bit Capability (Available when supported by the OS and the CPU)

Set to Enabled to enable the Execute Disable Bit which will allow the processor to designate areas in the system memory where an application code can execute and where it cannot, thus preventing a worm or a virus from flooding illegal codes to overwhelm the processor or damage the system during an attack. The default is **Enabled**. (Refer to Intel and Microsoft Web Sites for more information.)

Simultaneous Multi-Threading (Available when supported by the CPU)

Set to Enabled to use the Simultaneous Multi-Threading Technology, which will result in increased CPU performance. The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

Active Processor Cores

Set to Enabled to use a processor's Second Core and beyond. (Please refer to Intel's web site for more information.) The options are **All**, 1 and 2.

Intel® EIST Technology

EIST (Enhanced Intel SpeedStep Technology) allows the system to automatically adjust processor voltage and core frequency in an effort to reduce power consumption and heat dissipation. **Please refer to Intel's web site for detailed information.** The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

C1E Support

Select Enabled to use the feature of Enhanced Halt State. C1E significantly reduces the CPU's power consumption by reducing the CPU's clock cycle and voltage during a "Halt State." The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

Intel® C-STATE Tech

If enabled, C-State is set by the system automatically to either C2, C3 or C4 state. The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

C-State package limit setting (Available when Intel® C-State Tech is enabled)

If set to Auto, the AMI BIOS will automatically set the limit on the C-State package register. The options are **Auto**, C1, C3, C6 and C7.

C1 Auto Demotion

When enabled, the CPU will conditionally demote C3, C6 or C7 requests to C1 based on un-core auto-demote information. The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

C3 Auto Demotion

When enabled, the CPU will conditionally demote C6 or C7 requests to C3 based on un-core auto-demote information. The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

DCA Technology

This feature accelerates the performance of TOE devices. **Note:** A TOE device is a specialized, dedicated processor that is installed on an add-on card or a network card to handle some or all packet processing of this add-on card. For this motherboard, the TOE device is built inside the ESB 2 South Bridge chip. This feature is supported only by some types of processors (i.e., Intel Nehalem-WS 1S). The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

DCA Prefetch Delay

A DCA Prefetch is used with TOE components to prefetch data in order to shorten execution cycles and maximize data processing efficiency. Prefetching too frequently can saturate the cache directory and delay necessary cache accesses. This feature reduces or increases the frequency the system prefetches data. The options are [8], [16], **[32]**, [40], [48], [56], [64], [72], [80], [88], [96], [104], [112], [120]

►Advanced Chipset Control

The items included in the Advanced Settings submenu are listed below:

► QPI & IMC Configuration

QPI Links Speed

This feature selects QPI's data transfer speed. The options are Slow-mode, and **Full Speed**.

QPI Frequency

This selects the desired QPI frequency. The options are **Auto**, 4.800 GT, 5.866GT, 6.400 GT.

QPI L0s and L1

This enables the QPI power state to low power. L0s and L1 are automatically selected by the motherboard. The options are **Disabled** and Enabled.

Memory Frequency

This feature forces a DDR3 frequency slower than what the system has detected. The available options are **Auto**, Force DDR-800, Force DDR-1066, and Force DDR-1333.

Memory Mode

The options are **Independent**, Channel Mirror, Lockstep and Sparing.

Independent - All DIMMs are available to the operating system.

Channel Mirror - The motherboard maintains two identical copies of all data in memory for redundancy.

Lockstep - The motherboard uses two areas of memory to run the same set of operations in parallel.

Sparing - A preset threshold of correctable errors is used to trigger fail-over. The spare memory is put online and used as active memory in place of the failed memory.

Demand Scrubbing

A memory error-correction scheme where the Processor writes corrected data back into the memory block from where it was read by the Processor. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

Patrol Scrubbing

A memory error-correction scheme that works in the background looking for and correcting resident errors. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

Throttling - Closed Loop / Throttling - Open Loop

Throttling improves reliability and reduces power in the processor by automatic voltage control during processor idle states. Available options are **Disabled** and **Enabled**. If **Enabled**, the following items will appear:

Hysteresis Temperature (Closed Loop only)

Temperature Hysteresis is the temperature lag (in degrees Celsius) after the set DIMM temperature threshold is reached before Closed Loop Throttling begins. The options are **Disabled**, 1.5°C, 3.0°C, and 6.0°C.

Guardband Temperature (Closed Loop only)

This is the temperature which applies to the DIMM temperature threshold. Each step is in 0.5°C increment. The default is **[006]**. Press "+" or "-" on your keyboard to change this value.

Inlet Temperature

This is the temperature detected at the chassis inlet. Each step is in 0.5°C increment. The default is **[070]**. Press "+" or "-" on your keyboard to change this value.

Temperature Rise

This is the temperature rise to the DIMM thermal zone. Each step is in 0.5°C increment. The default is **[020]**. Press "+" or "-" on your keyboard to change this value.

Air Flow

This is the air flow speed to the DIMM modules. Each step is one mm/sec. The default is **[1500]**. Press "+" or "-" on your keyboard to change this value.

Altitude

This feature defines how many meters above or below sea level the system is located. The options are **Sea Level or Below**, 1~300, 301~600, 601~900, 901~1200, 1201~1500, 1501~1800, 1801~2100, 2101~2400, 2401~2700, 2701~3000.

DIMM Pitch

This is the physical space between each DIMM module. Each step is in 1/1000 of an inch. The default is **[400]**. Press "+" or "-" on your keyboard to change this value.

HDA Controller

Select Enabled to activate the onboard High-Definition Audio controller. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

Intel VT-d

Select Enabled to enable Intel's Virtualization Technology support for Direct I/O VT-d by reporting the I/O device assignments to VMM through the DMAR ACPI Tables. This feature offers fully-protected I/O resource-sharing across the Intel platforms, providing the user with greater reliability, security and availability in networking and data-sharing. The settings are Enabled and **Disabled**.

SR-IOV Support

Single Root I/O Virtualization is an industry-standard mechanism that allow devices to advertise their capability to be simultaneously shared among several virtual machines. SR-IOV is capable of partitioning a PCI function into several virtual interfaces for sharing the resources of a PCI Express (PCIe) device under a virtual environment. The options are **Disabled** and Enabled.

NUMA Support

Select Enabled to use the feature of Non-Uniform Memory Access to improve CPU performance. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

Intel I/OAT

The Intel I/OAT (I/O Acceleration Technology) significantly reduces CPU overhead by leveraging CPU architectural improvements, freeing resources for more other tasks. The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

Active State Power Management

Select Enabled to start Active-State Power Management for signal transactions between L0 and L1 Links on the PCI Express Bus. This maximizes power-saving and transaction speed. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

Route Port 80h Cycles to

This feature allows the user to decide which bus to send debug information to. The options are **LPC** and PCI.

USB Functions

This feature allows the user to decide the number of onboard USB ports to be enabled. The Options are: Disabled, 2 USB ports, 4 USB ports, 6 USB ports, 8 USB ports, 10 USB ports and **12 USB ports**.

USB 2.0 Controller

Select Enabled to activate the onboard USB2.0 controller. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

Legacy USB Support

Select Enabled to use Legacy USB devices. If this item is set to Auto, Legacy USB support will be automatically enabled if a legacy USB device is installed on the motherboard, and vice versa. The settings are Disabled, Enabled and **Auto**.

► IDE/Floppy Configuration

When this submenu is selected, the AMI BIOS automatically detects the presence of the IDE devices and displays the following items:

Floppy A

This feature allows the user to select the type of floppy drive connected to the system as specified. The options are Disabled, 360KB 5 1/4", 1.2MB 5 1/4", 720KB 3 1/2", 1.44MB 3 1/2" and 2.88MB 3 1/2". The default setting for Floppy A is 1.44MB 3 1/2", and for Floppy B is **Disabled**.

SATA#1 Configuration

If Compatible is selected, it sets SATA#1 to legacy compatibility mode, while selecting Enhanced sets SATA#1 to native SATA mode. The options are Disabled, Compatible and **Enhanced**.

Configure SATA#1 as

This feature allows the user to select the drive type for SATA#1. The options are **IDE**, RAID and AHCI. (When the option-RAID is selected, the item-ICH RAID Code Base will appear.)

ICH RAID Code Base (This feature is available when the option-RAID is selected)

Select Intel to enable Intel's SATA RAID firmware to configure Intel's SATA RAID settings. Select Adaptec to enable Adaptec's SATA RAID firmware to configure Adaptec's SATA RAID settings. The options are **Intel** and Adaptec.

SATA#2 Configuration (This feature is available when the option-IDE is selected)

Selecting Enhanced will set SATA#2 to native SATA mode. The options are Disabled, and **Enhanced**.

IDE Detect Timeout (sec)

Use this feature to set the time-out value for the BIOS to detect the ATA, ATAPI devices installed in the system. The options are 0 (sec), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, and **35**.

Primary IDE Master/Slave, Secondary IDE Master/Slave, Third IDE Master, and Fourth IDE Master

These settings allow the user to set the parameters of Primary IDE Master/Slave, Secondary IDE Master/Slave, Third and Fourth IDE Master slots. Hit <Enter> to activate the following submenu screen for detailed options of these items. Set the correct configurations accordingly. The items included in the submenu are:

Type

Select the type of device connected to the system. The options are Not Installed, **Auto**, CD/DVD and ARMD.

LBA/Large Mode

LBA (Logical Block Addressing) is a method of addressing data on a disk drive. In the LBA mode, the maximum drive capacity is 137 GB. For drive capacities over 137 GB, your system must be equipped with a 48-bit LBA mode addressing. If not, contact your manufacturer or install an ATA/133 IDE controller card that supports 48-bit LBA mode. The options are Disabled and **Auto**.

Block (Multi-Sector Transfer)

Block Mode boosts the IDE drive performance by increasing the amount of data transferred. Only 512 bytes of data can be transferred per interrupt if Block Mode is not used. Block Mode allows transfers of up to 64 KB per interrupt. Select Disabled to allow data to be transferred from and to the device one sector at a time. Select Auto to allow data transfer from and to the device occur multiple sectors at a time if the device supports it. The options are **Auto** and Disabled.

PIO Mode

The IDE PIO (Programmable I/O) Mode programs timing cycles between the IDE drive and the programmable IDE controller. As the PIO mode increases, the cycle time decreases. The options are **Auto**, 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4.

Select Auto to allow the AMI BIOS to automatically detect the PIO mode. Use this value if the IDE disk drive support cannot be determined.

Select 0 to allow the AMI BIOS to use PIO mode 0. It has a data transfer rate of 3.3 MBs.

Select 1 to allow the AMI BIOS to use PIO mode 1. It has a data transfer rate of 5.2 MBs.

Select 2 to allow the AMI BIOS to use PIO mode 2. It has a data transfer rate of 8.3 MBs.

Select 3 to allow the AMI BIOS to use PIO mode 3. It has a data transfer rate of 11.1 MBs.

Select 4 to allow the AMI BIOS to use PIO mode 4. It has a data transfer bandwidth of 32-Bits. Select Enabled to enable 32-Bit data transfer.

DMA Mode

Select Auto to allow the BIOS to automatically detect IDE DMA mode when the IDE disk drive support cannot be determined.

Select SWDMA0 to allow the BIOS to use Single Word DMA mode 0. It has a data transfer rate of 2.1 MBs.

Select SWDMA1 to allow the BIOS to use Single Word DMA mode 1. It has a data transfer rate of 4.2 MBs.

Select SWDMA2 to allow the BIOS to use Single Word DMA mode 2. It has a data transfer rate of 8.3 MBs.

Select MWDMA0 to allow the BIOS to use Multi Word DMA mode 0. It has a data transfer rate of 4.2 MBs.

Select MWDMA1 to allow the BIOS to use Multi Word DMA mode 1. It has a data transfer rate of 13.3 MBs.

Select MWDMA2 to allow the BIOS to use Multi-Word DMA mode 2. It has a data transfer rate of 16.6 MBs.

Select UDMA0 to allow the BIOS to use Ultra DMA mode 0. It has a data transfer rate of 16.6 MBs. It has the same transfer rate as PIO mode 4 and Multi Word DMA mode 2.

Select UDMA1 to allow the BIOS to use Ultra DMA mode 1. It has a data transfer rate of 25 MBs.

Select UDMA2 to allow the BIOS to use Ultra DMA mode 2. It has a data transfer rate of 33.3 MBs.

Select UDMA3 to allow the BIOS to use Ultra DMA mode 3. It has a data transfer rate of 66.6 MBs.

Select UDMA4 to allow the BIOS to use Ultra DMA mode 4. It has a data transfer rate of 100 MBs.

Select UDMA5 to allow the BIOS to use Ultra DMA mode 5. It has a data transfer rate of 133 MBs.

Select UDMA6 to allow the BIOS to use Ultra DMA mode 6. It has a data transfer rate of 133 MBs. The options are **Auto**, SWDMAn, MWDMAAn, and UDMAAn.

S.M.A.R.T. For Hard disk drives

Self-Monitoring Analysis and Reporting Technology (SMART) can help predict impending drive failures. Select Auto to allow the AMI BIOS to automatically detect hard disk drive support. Select Disabled to prevent the AMI BIOS from using the S.M.A.R.T. Select Enabled to allow the AMI BIOS to use the S.M.A.R.T. to support hard drive disk. The options are Disabled, Enabled, and **Auto**.

32Bit Data Transfer

Select Enable to enable the function of 32-bit IDE data transfer. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

► PCI/PnP Configuration

Clear NVRAM

This feature clears the NVRAM during system boot. The options are **No** and Yes.

Plug & Play OS

Selecting Yes allows the OS to configure Plug & Play devices. (This is not required for system boot if your system has an OS that supports Plug & Play.) Select **No** to allow the AMI BIOS to configure all devices in the system.

PCI Latency Timer

This feature sets the latency Timer of each PCI device installed on a PCI bus. Select 64 to set the PCI latency to 64 PCI clock cycles. The options are 32, **64**, 96, 128, 160, 192, 224 and 248.

PCI IDE BusMaster

When enabled, the BIOS uses PCI bus mastering for reading/writing to IDE drives. The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

PCIe I/O Performance

This feature sets the PCIe maximum payload size. The options are **128B** and 256B.

PCI-E Slot 1 x8, PCI-E Slot 2 x16, PCI-E Slot 3 x8, PCI-E Slot 4 x8 (in x16 slot), PCI-E Slot 5 PCI-E x4 (in x8 slot), PCI-E Slot 6 x16, PCI-E Slot 7 x8.

This feature allows you to Enable or Disable any of the PCI slots. The options are **Enable** and Disable.

Onboard LAN Option ROM Select

Select the onboard LAN option ROM type. The options are iSCSI and **PXE**.

Load Onboard LAN1 Option ROM/Load Onboard LAN2 Option ROM

Select Enabled to enable the onboard LAN1 or LAN2 Option ROM. This is to boot computer using a network interface. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

Boot Graphics Adapter Priority

This feature allows the user to select the priority graphics adapter for system boot. The options are Auto and **Onboard VGA**.

► Super IO Device Configuration

Serial Port1 Address / Serial Port2 Address

This option specifies the base I/O port address and the Interrupt Request address of Serial Port 1 and Serial Port 2. Select Disabled to prevent the serial port from accessing any system resources. When this option is set to Disabled, the serial port physically becomes unavailable. Select 3F8/IRQ4 to allow the serial port to use 3F8 as its I/O port address and IRQ 4 for the interrupt address. The options for Serial Port1 are Disabled, **3F8/IRQ4**, 3E8/IRQ4, 2E8/IRQ3. The options for Serial Port2 are Disabled, **2F8/IRQ3**, 3E8/IRQ4, and 2E8/IRQ3.

Serial Port2 Mode

This feature allows the user to set the mode for Serial Port B. The options are **Normal**, IR (Infra-Red) and ASK-IR.

Onboard Floppy Controller

Select Enabled to enable the onboard floppy controller. The options are Disabled and **Enabled**.

► Remote Access Configuration

Remote Access

This allows the user to enable the Remote Access feature. The options are **Disabled** and Enabled.

If Remote Access is set to Enabled, the following items will display:

Serial Port Number

This feature allows the user decide which serial port to be used for Console Redirection. The options are **COM 1** and COM 2.

Base Address, IRQ

This item displays the based address and IRQ of the serial port specified above.

Serial Port Mode

This feature allows the user to set the serial port mode for Console Redirection. The options are **115200 8, n 1**; 57600 8, n, 1; 38400 8, n, 1; 19200 8, n, 1; and 9600 8, n, 1.

Flow Control

This feature allows the user to set the flow control for Console Redirection. The options are **None**, Hardware, and Software.

Redirection After BIOS POST

Select Disabled to turn off Console Redirection after Power-On Self-Test (POST). Select Always to keep Console Redirection active all the time after POST. (Note: This setting may not be supported by some operating systems.) Select Boot Loader to keep Console Redirection active during POST and Boot Loader. The options are Disabled, Boot Loader, and **Always**.

Terminal Type

This feature allows the user to select the target terminal type for Console Redirection. The options are ANSI, **VT100**, and VT-UTF8.

VT-UTF8 Combo Key Support

A terminal keyboard definition that provides a way to send commands from a remote console. Available options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

Sredir Memory Display Delay

This feature defines the length of time in seconds to display memory information. The options are **No Delay**, Delay 1 Sec, Delay 2 Sec, and Delay 4 Sec.

► Hardware Health Monitor

This feature allows the user to monitor system health and review the status of each item as displayed.

CPU Overheat Alarm

This option allows the user to select the CPU Overheat Alarm setting which determines when the CPU OH alarm will be activated to provide warning of possible CPU overheat.



Warning! 1. Any temperature that exceeds the CPU threshold temperature predefined by the CPU manufacturer may result in CPU overheat or system instability. When the CPU temperature reaches this predefined threshold, the CPU and system cooling fans will run at full speed.

2. To avoid possible system overheating, please be sure to provide adequate airflow to your system.

The options are:

- **The Early Alarm:** Select this setting if you want the CPU overheat alarm (including the LED and the buzzer) to be triggered as soon as the CPU temperature reaches the CPU overheat threshold as predefined by the CPU manufacturer.
- **The Default Alarm:** Select this setting if you want the CPU overheat alarm (including the LED and the buzzer) to be triggered when the CPU temperature reaches about 5°C above the threshold temperature as predefined by the CPU manufacturer to give the CPU and system fans additional time needed for CPU and system cooling. In both the alarms above, please take immediate action as shown below.

CPU Temperature/System Temperature

This feature displays current temperature readings for the CPU and the System.

The following items will be displayed for your reference only:

CPU Temperature

The CPU Temperature feature will display the CPU temperature status as detected by the BIOS:

Low – This level is considered as the ‘normal’ operating state. The CPU temperature is well below the CPU ‘Temperature Tolerance’. The motherboard fans and CPU will run normally as configured in the BIOS (Fan Speed Control).

User intervention: No action required.

Medium – The processor is running warmer. This is a ‘precautionary’ level and generally means that there may be factors contributing to this condition, but the CPU is still within its normal operating state and below the CPU ‘Temperature Tolerance’. The motherboard fans and CPU will run normally as configured in the BIOS. The fans may adjust to a faster speed depending on the Fan Speed Control settings.

User intervention: No action is required. However, consider checking the CPU fans and the chassis ventilation for blockage.

High – The processor is running hot. This is a ‘caution’ level since the CPU’s ‘Temperature Tolerance’ has been reached (or has been exceeded) and may activate an overheat alarm. The system may shut down if it continues for a long period to prevent damage to the CPU.

User intervention: If the system buzzer and Overheat LED has activated, take action immediately by checking the system fans, chassis ventilation and room temperature to correct any problems.

Notes:



The CPU thermal technology that reports absolute temperatures (Celsius/Fahrenheit) has been upgraded to a more advanced feature by Intel in its newer processors. The basic concept is each CPU is embedded by unique temperature information that the motherboard can read. This 'Temperature Threshold' or 'Temperature Tolerance' has been assigned at the factory and is the baseline on which the motherboard takes action during different CPU temperature conditions (i.e., by increasing CPU Fan speed, triggering the Overheat Alarm, etc). Since CPUs can have different 'Temperature Tolerances', the installed CPU can now send information to the motherboard what its 'Temperature Tolerance' is, and not the other way around. This results in better CPU thermal management.

Supermicro has leveraged this feature by assigning a temperature status to certain thermal conditions in the processor (Low, Medium and High). This makes it easier for the user to understand the CPU's temperature status, rather than by just simply seeing a temperature reading (i.e., 25°C).

The information provided above is for your reference only. For more information on thermal management, please refer to Intel's Web site at www.Intel.com.

System Temperature: The system temperature will be displayed (in degrees in Celsius and Fahrenheit) as it is detected by the BIOS.

Fan Speed Readings

This feature displays the fan speed readings from Fan1 through Fan8.

Fan Speed Control Modes

This feature allows the user to decide how the system controls the speeds of the onboard fans. The CPU temperature and the fan speed are correlative. When the CPU on-die temperature increases, the fan speed will also increase, and vice versa. Select Workstation if your system is used as a Workstation. Select Server if your system is used as a Server. Select Disabled to disable the fan speed control function and allow the onboard fans to constantly run at full speed. The Options are: **Full Speed**, Server, Workstation/Desktop, and Server Quiet.

Voltage Readings

The following voltage readings will be displayed.

CPU0 Vcore, CPU1 Vcore, 1.5V, 5V, 5VSB, 12V, -12V, 3.3Vcc, 3.3VSB, VBAT and Vtt

►ACPI Configuration

Use this feature to configure Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) power management settings for your system.

High Performance Event Timer

Select Enabled to activate the High Performance Event Timer (HPET) that produces periodic interrupts at a much higher frequency than a Real-time Clock (RTC) does in synchronizing multimedia streams, providing smooth playback and reducing the dependency on other timestamp calculation devices, such as an x86 RDTSC Instruction embedded in the CPU. The High Performance Event Timer is used to replace the 8254 Programmable Interval Timer. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

USB Device Wakeup

Select Enable to "wake-up" the system via a USB device when the system is in S3 or S4 State. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

PS2 KB/MS Wake Up

Select Enable to "wake-up" the system using either the PS2 keyboard or mouse (if equipped) when the system is in S3 (Sleep) or S4 (Hibernate) state. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

ACPI Aware O/S

Enable ACPI support if it is supported by the OS to control ACPI through the Operating System. Otherwise, disable this feature. The options are **Yes** and No.

Suspend Mode

This option is used to select the ACPI State that is used for system suspend. The options are **S1 (POS)**, S3 (STR) and Auto.

S1 (POS) - All processor caches are erased, and stops executing instructions. Power to the CPU(s) and RAM is maintained, but RAM is refreshed.

S3 (STR) - The CPU has no power and the power supply goes on reduced power mode. However, main memory (RAM) is still powered.

ACPI APIC Support

Select Enabled to include the ACPI APIC Table Pointer in the RSDT (Root System Description Table) pointer list. The options are **Enabled** and Disabled.

APIC ACPI SCI IRQ

When this item is set to Enabled, APIC ACPI SCI IRQ is supported by the system. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

Headless Mode

This feature is used to enable system to function without a keyboard, monitor and/or mouse attached. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

ACPI Version Features

The options are ACPI v1.0, **ACPI v2.0** and ACPI v3.0. Please refer to ACPI's website for further explanation: <http://www.acpi.info/>.

► Trusted Computing

TCG/TPM (Trusted Platform Module) Support

Select Yes on this item and enable the TPM jumper on the motherboard to enable TCG (TPM 1.1/1.2)/TPM support in order to improve data integrity and network security. The options are **No** and Yes. If this feature is set to Yes, the following items will display:

Indicate Physical

Enables indication of physical presence to TPM device each time the system starts. The options are Yes and **No**.

TPM Deactivated

Use this feature to Set or Clear the TPM device. The options are Set, Clear and **Don't Change**.

TPM Owner

Use this feature to Install or Clear the TPM ownership. The options are **Don't Change**, Enable Install, Disable Install and Clear.

Execute TPM Command

Select Enabled to allow the user to change executable TPM commands and TPM settings. Select Don't Change to keep the current TPM settings. The options are **Don't Change**, Enabled, and Disabled.

TPM Enable/Disable Status

This item displays the status of TPM Enabled/Disabled state.

TPM Owner Status

This item displays the status of TPM Ownership.

► IPMI Configuration

Intelligent Platform Management Interface (IPMI) is a set of common interfaces that IT administrators can use to monitor system health and to manage the system as a whole. For more information on the IPMI specifications, please visit Intel's website at www.intel.com.

IPMI Firmware Revision

This item displays the current IPMI firmware revision.

Status of BMC

Baseboard Management Controller (BMC) manages the interface between system management software and platform hardware. This is an informational feature which returns the status code of the BMC micro controller.

►View BMC System Event Log

This feature displays the BMC System Event Log (SEL). It shows the total number of entries of BMC System Events. To view an event, select an Entry Number and pressing <Enter> to display the information as shown in the screen.

- Total Number of Entries
- SEL Entry Number
- SEL Record ID
- SEL Record Type
- Timestamp, Generator ID
- Event Message Format User
- Event Sensor Type
- Event Sensor Number,
- Event Dir Type
- Event Data.

Clear BMC System Event Log

Select OK and press the <Enter> key to clear the BMC system log. Select Cancel to keep the BMC System log. The options are **OK** and Cancel.



Caution: Any cleared information is unrecoverable. Make absolutely sure that you no longer need any data stored in the log before clearing the BMC Event Log.

►Set LAN Configuration

Set this feature to configure the IPMI LAN adapter with a network address as shown in the following graphics.

Channel Number - Enter the channel number for the SET LAN Config command. This is initially set to **[01]**. Press "+" or "-" on your keyboard to change the Channel Number.

Channel Number Status - This feature returns the channel status for the Channel Number selected above: "Channel Number is OK" or "Wrong Channel Number".

IP Address Source

Select the source of this machine's IP address. If Static is selected, you will need to know and enter manually the IP address of this machine below. If DHCP is selected, the BIOS will search for a DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) server in the network it is attached to, and request the next available IP address. The options are **DHCP** and Static.

The following items are assigned IP addresses automatically if DHCP is selected under IP Address Source above:

IP Address

Enter the IP address for this machine. This should be in decimal and in dotted quad form (i.e., 192.168.10.253). The value of each three-digit number separated by dots should not exceed 255 as shown in the screen below.

Subnet Mask

Subnet masks tell the network which subnet this machine belongs to. The value of each three-digit number separated by dots should not exceed 255.

Gateway Address

This is the IP address of the gateway in the network. This is usually a router.

Mac Address

The BIOS will automatically enter the Mac address of this machine; however it may be over-ridden. Mac addresses are 6 two-digit hexadecimal numbers (Base 16, 0 ~ 9, A, B, C, D, E, F) separated by dots. (i.e., 00.30.48.D0.D4.60).

►SET PEF Configuration

PEF Support

Select Enabled to enable the function of Platform Event Filter (PEF) which will interpret BMC events and perform actions based on pre-determined settings or events and performs actions based on pre-determined settings or 'traps' under IPMI 1.5

specifications. For example, powering the system down or sending an alert when a triggering event is detected. The default is **Disabled**.

The following will appear if PEF Support is set to Enabled.

PEF Action Global Control (Available if the item-PEF Support is enabled)

These are the different actions based on BMC events. The options are **Alert**, Power Down, Reset System, Power Cycle, OEM Action, Diagnostic Interface.

Alert Startup Delay (Available if the item-PEF Support is enabled)

This feature inserts a delay during startup for PEF alerts. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

Startup Delay (Available if the item-PEF Support is enabled)

This feature enables or disables startup delay. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

Event Message for PEF Action (Available if the item-PEF Support is enabled)

This enables or disables Event Messages for PEF action. Refer to Table 24.6 of the IPMI 1.5 Specification for more information at www.intel.com. The options are **Disabled** and Enabled.

BMC Watch Dog Timer Action

Allows the BMC to reset or power down the system if the operating system hangs or crashes. The options are **Disabled**, Reset System, Power Down, Power Cycle.

BMC Watch Dog TimeOut [Min:Sec]

This option appears if BMC Watch Dog Timer Action (above) is enabled. This is a timed delay in minutes or seconds, before a system power down or reset after an operating system failure is detected. The options are **[5 Min]**, [1 Min], [30 Sec], and [10 Sec].

►Event Log Configuration

View Event Log

Use this option to view the System Event Log.

Mark all events as read

This option marks all events as read. The options are OK and Cancel.

Clear event log

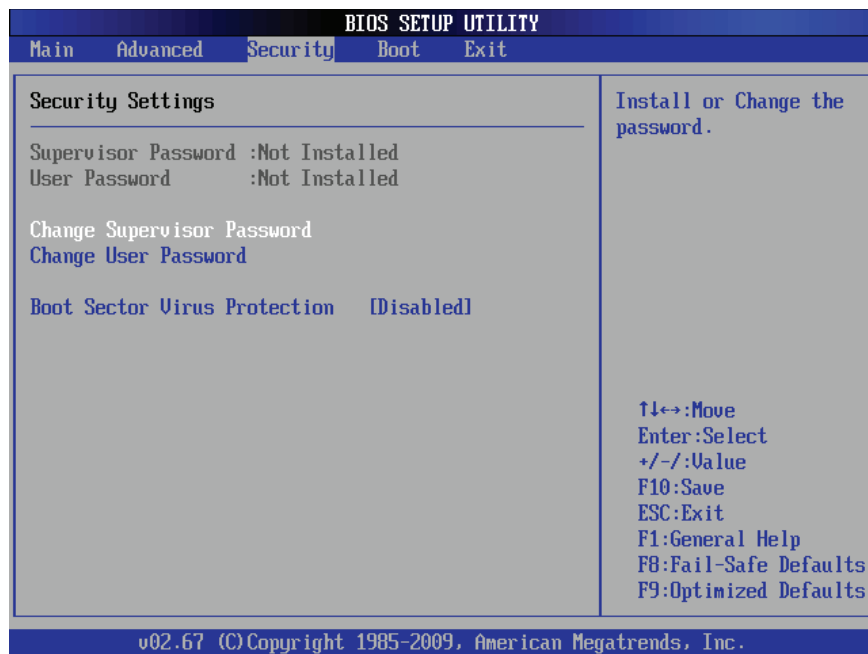
This option clears the Event Log memory of all messages. The options are OK and **Cancel**.

PCI Error Log

Use this option to enable PCI error (PERR) logging. The options are **Yes** and No.

7-4 Security Settings

The AMI BIOS provides a Supervisor and a User password. If you use both passwords, the Supervisor password must be set first.

**Supervisor Password**

This item indicates if a Supervisor password has been entered for the system. "Not Installed" means a Supervisor password has not been used.

User Password

This item indicates if a user password has been entered for the system. "Not Installed" means that a user password has not been used.

Change Supervisor Password

Select this feature and press <Enter> to access the submenu, and then type in a new Supervisor Password.

User Access Level (Available when Supervisor Password is set as above)

Available options are **Full Access**: grants full User read and write access to the Setup Utility, **View Only**: allows access to the Setup Utility but the fields cannot be

changed, Limited: allows only limited fields to be changed such as Date and Time, No Access: prevents User access to the Setup Utility.

Change User Password (Available when a User Password is installed)

Select this feature and press <Enter> to access the submenu , and then type in a new User Password.

Clear User Password (Available only when User Password is installed)

This item allows you to clear a user password after it has been entered.

Password Check (Available when a password is installed)

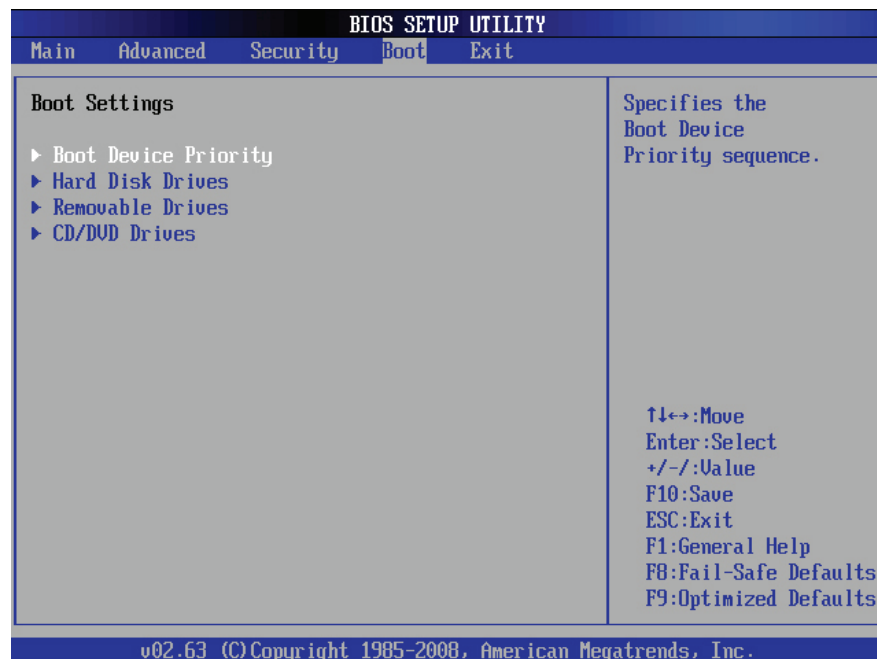
This item forces the system to prompt for a password only when entering BIOS setup or during each bootup. The options are **Setup** and **Always**.

Boot Sector Virus Protection

When Enabled, the AMI BIOS displays a warning when any program (or virus) issues a Disk Format command or attempts to write to the boot sector of the hard disk drive. The options are Enabled and **Disabled**.

7-5 Boot Configuration

Use this feature to configure boot settings.



► **Boot Device Priority**

This feature allows the user to specify the sequence of priority for the Boot Device. The settings are 1st boot device, 2nd boot device, 3rd boot device, 4th boot device, 5th boot device and Disabled.

- 1st Boot Device - [USB: XXXXXXXXXX]
- 2nd Boot Device - [CD/DVD: XXXXXXXXXX]

► **Hard Disk Drives**

This feature allows the user to specify the boot sequence from all available hard disk drives. The settings are Disabled and a list of all hard disk drives that have been detected (i.e., 1st Drive, 2nd Drive, 3rd Drive, etc).

- 1st Drive - [SATA: XXXXXXXXXX]

► **Removable Drives**

This feature allows the user to specify the boot sequence from available Removable Drives. The settings are 1st boot device, 2nd boot device, and Disabled.

- 1st Drive - [USB: XXXXXXXXXX]
- 2nd Drive

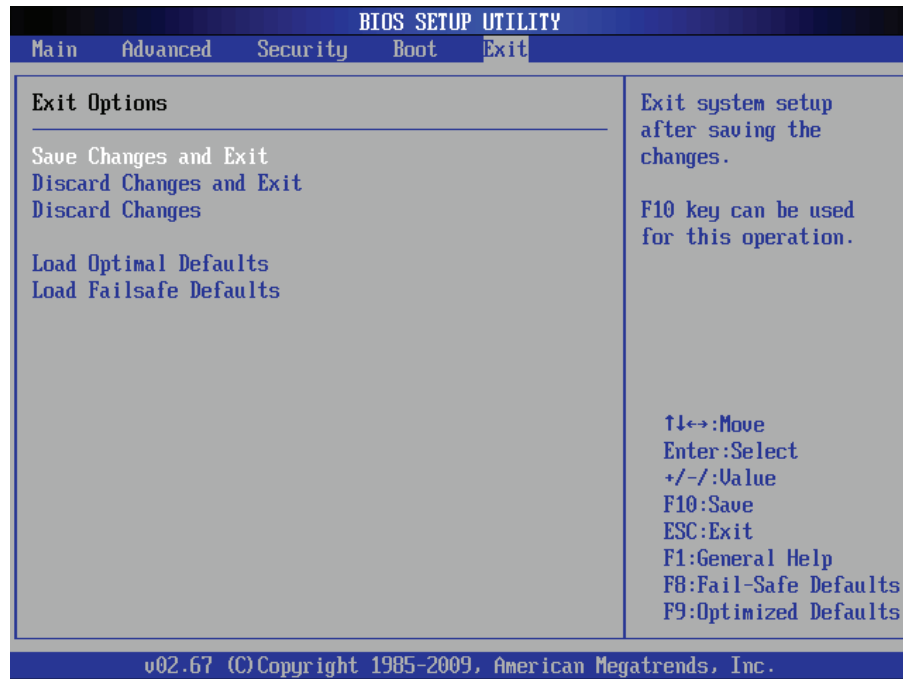
► **CD/DVD Drives**

This feature allows the user to specify the boot sequence from available CD/DVD Drives (i.e., 1st Drive, 2nd Drive, etc).4-6 Exit Options

Select the Exit tab from the AMI BIOS Setup Utility screen to enter the Exit BIOS Setup screen.

7-6 Exit Options

Select the Exit tab to enter the Exit BIOS Setup screen.



Save Changes and Exit

When you have completed the system configuration changes, select this option and press <Enter> to leave the BIOS Setup Utility and reboot the computer for the new system configuration parameters to take effect.

Discard Changes and Exit

Select this option and press <Enter> to quit the BIOS Setup without making any permanent changes to the system configuration, and reboot the computer.

Discard Changes

Select this option and press <Enter> to discard all the changes and return to the AMI BIOS Utility Program.

Load Optimal Defaults

To set this feature, select Load Optimal Defaults from the Exit menu and press <Enter>. Then, select OK to allow the AMI BIOS to automatically load Optimal Defaults to the BIOS Settings. The Optimal settings are designed for maximum system performance, but may not work best for all computer applications.

Load Fail-Safe Defaults

To set this feature, select Load Fail-Safe Defaults from the Exit menu and press <Enter>. The Fail-Safe settings are designed for maximum system stability, but not for maximum performance.


7-7 BIOS Recovery



Warning! Do not upgrade the BIOS unless your system has a BIOS-related issue. Flashing the wrong BIOS can cause irreparable damage to the system. In no event shall Supermicro be liable for direct, indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages arising from a BIOS update. If you need to update the BIOS, do not shut down or reset the system while the BIOS is updating. This is to avoid possible boot failure.

How to Recover the AMIBIOS Image (-the Main BIOS Block)

An AMIBIOS flash chip consists of a boot sector block, and a main BIOS code block (a main BIOS image). The boot sector block contains critical BIOS code, including memory detection and recovery code to be used to flash a new BIOS image if the original BIOS Image is corrupted. When the system is powered on, the boot sector code executes first. Once it is completed, the main BIOS code will continue with system initialization and complete the bootup process.

 **Notes:** BIOS Recovery described below is used when the main BIOS block crashes. However, when the BIOS Boot sector crashes, you will need to send the motherboard back to Supermicro for RMA repairs.

Boot Sector Recovery from a USB Device

This feature allows the user to recover a BIOS image using a USB device without additional utilities needed. A user can download the BIOS image into a USB flash device, and name the file "SUPER.ROM" for the recovery process to load the file. A USB flash device such as a USB Flash Drive, a USB CDROM or a USB CDRW device can be used for this purpose,

1. Insert the USB device that contains the new BIOS image (the ROM files) saved in a root directory into your USB drive.
2. While turning the power on, press and hold <Ctrl> and <Home> at the same time until the USB Access LED Indicator comes on. This might take a few seconds.
3. Once the USB drive LED is on, release the <Ctrl> and <Home> keys. AMIBIOS will issue beep codes to indicate that the BIOS ROM file is being updated.
4. When BIOS flashing is completed, the computer will reboot. Do not interrupt the flashing process until it is completed.

Boot Sector Recovery from an IDE CD-ROM

This process is almost identical to the process of Boot Sector Recovery from a USB device, except that the BIOS image file is loaded from a CD-ROM. Use a CD-R or CD-RW drive to burn a CD with the BIOS image file in it, and name the file "SUPER.ROM" for the recovery process to load the file.

Boot Sector Recovery from a Serial Port ("Serial Flash")

This process, also known as "Serial Flash," allows the user to use a serial port to load a BIOS image for Boot Sector recovery. This feature is usually used for embedded systems that rely on a serial port for remote access and debugging.

Requirements

In order to use Serial Flash for Boot Sector Recovery, you will need to meet the following requirements.

- The "Target system," the system that needs BIOS updates, must have a serial port and "Serial Flash" support embedded in the BIOS image file.
- The "Host system" should also have a serial port and a terminal program that supports XModem Transfer protocol (Hyper Terminal for the Windows operating systems, and minicom for Linux/FreeSBD, etc.).
- A Null_modem serial cable

How to use Serial Flash for Boot Sector Recovery


1. Connect a Null_modem serial cable between the target system and the host system that runs the terminal program.
2. Make sure that the new BIOS Image file is accessible for the host system.
3. Start the terminal program on the host system and create a new connection. Use the following communication parameters for the new connection.
 - Bits per second: 115200 bits/sec.
 - Data Bits: 8
 - Parity: None
 - Stop Bit: 1
 - Flow Control: None

4. Power on your system and click the <Connect> button in the Hyper Terminal. The terminal screen will display the following messages.

```
Press <SpaceBar> to update BIOS.  
Confirm update BIOS? (y/n) y  
Begin remote BIOS flash? (y/n) y  
Starting remote flash.  
Upload new BIOS file using Xmodem protocol.
```

5. Following the instructions given on the screen to update the BIOS. These instructions are also shown below.

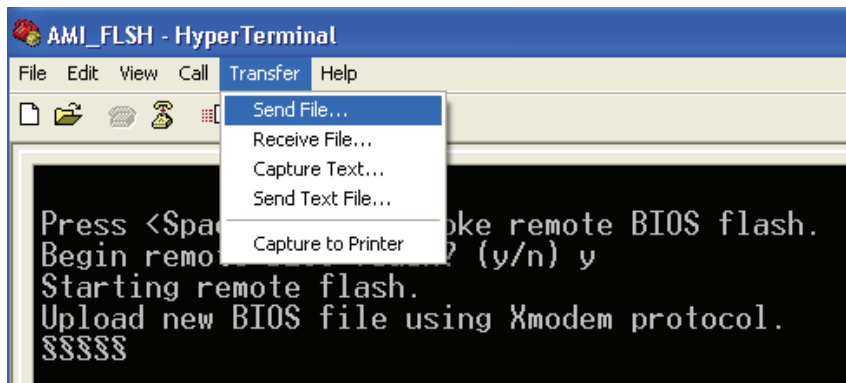
- a. At the prompt, press the <SpaceBar> to update the BIOS.
- b. When asked to confirm BIOS updating, press <y> to confirm BIOS updates.
- c. Press <y> again to begin flashing BIOS remotely.

 **Note:** Be sure to complete Steps a~c above quickly because you have a second or less to do so.

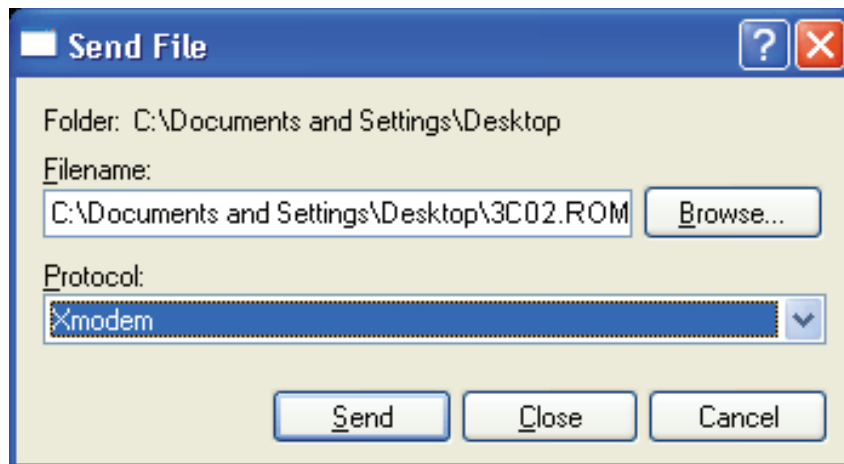
6. Once you've completed the instructions given, a screen will display to indicate that remote flashing is starting and the new BIOS file is being uploaded.

7. To use Hyper Terminal to transfer the XModem protocol by using the "Send File" dialog under the "Transfer" menu, follow the instructions below to complete XModem transfers.

- a. Select the "Transfer" menu and enter <Send>.




- b. Specify the location of the ROM file and select the proper protocol (XModem).
- c. Press <Send> to start ROM File extraction. (See the picture below.)



- d. Once the ROM file extraction is completed, the message: "New BIOS received OK" will display.

```
Starting FLASH Recovery.  
NVRAM data will be destroyed.  
CMOS data will be preserved.  
.....  
.....  
Ending FLASH Recovery.  
FLASH Update completed successfully.  
Rebooting...
```

8. Once remote BIOS flash is completed, the system will reboot.

 **Note:** AMIBIOS Serial Flash will work with any terminal communications program that supports VT-100 and XModem protocols, including protocols designed for GNU/LINUX & BSD operating systems such as minicom. It is recommended that the terminal program be configured to use the 'CR/LF' style of line termination.

Notes

Appendix A

BIOS Error Beep Codes

During the POST (Power-On Self-Test) routines, which are performed each time the system is powered on, errors may occur.

Non-fatal errors are those which, in most cases, allow the system to continue the boot-up process. The error messages normally appear on the screen.

Fatal errors are those which will not allow the system to continue the boot-up procedure. If a fatal error occurs, you should consult with your system manufacturer for possible repairs.

These fatal errors are usually communicated through a series of audible beeps. The numbers on the fatal error list correspond to the number of beeps for the corresponding error.

| BIOS Error Beep Codes | | |
|---|---------------------------------|--|
| Beep Code | Error Message | Description |
| 1 beep | Refresh | Circuits have been reset. (Ready to power up) |
| 5 short beeps + 1 long beep | Memory error | No memory detected in the system |
| 8 beeps | Display memory read/write error | Video adapter missing or with faulty memory |
| 1 continuous beep w/ Front Panel OH LED on | System Overheat | 1 continuous beep with the front panel OH LED on |

Notes

Appendix B

Installing the Windows OS

After all hardware components have been installed, you must first configure Intel South Bridge RAID Settings before you install the Windows OS and other software drivers. To configure RAID settings, please refer to RAID Configuration User Guides posted on our website at www.supermicro.com/support/manuals.

B-1 Installing Windows to a RAID System

1. Insert Microsoft's Windows XP/2003/2008/Vista Setup CD in the CD drive, and the system will start booting up from CD.
2. Press the <F6> key when the message "Press F6 if you need to install a third party SCSI or RAID driver" displays.
3. When the Windows OS Setup screen appears, press "S" to specify additional device(s).
4. Insert the driver diskette "ITE RAID Windows XP/2003/2008/Vista Driver for IDE" into Drive A: and press the <Enter> key.
5. When the Windows OS Setup screen appears, press "S" to specify additional device(s).
6. Insert the driver diskette-"Intel AA Windows XP/2003/2008/Vista Driver for ICH10R" into Drive A: and press the <Enter> key.
7. Choose the Intel(R) ICH10R *SATA RAID Controller* from the list indicated in the Windows OS Setup Screen, and press the <Enter> key.
8. Press the <Enter> key to continue the installation process. (If you need to specify any additional devices to be installed, do it at this time.) Once all devices are specified, press the <Enter> key to continue with the installation.
9. From the Windows OS Setup screen, press the <Enter> key. The Windows OS Setup will automatically load all device files and then, continue the Windows OS installation.
10. After the Windows OS Installation is completed, the system will automatically reboot.

B-2 Installing Windows to a Non-RAID System

1. Insert Microsoft's Windows XP/Windows 2003/Windows 2008/Windows Vista Setup CD in the CD drive, and the system will start booting up from CD.
2. Continue with the OS installation. The Windows OS Setup screen will display.
3. From the Windows OS Setup screen, press the <Enter> key. The Windows OS Setup will automatically load all device files and then continue with the Windows OS installation.
4. After the Windows OS Installation is completed, the system will automatically reboot.
5. Insert the Supermicro Setup CD that came with your motherboard into the CD Drive during system boot, and the main screen will display.

Appendix C

System Specifications

Processors

Single or dual Intel® Xeon® 5500 processors (both CPUs must be of the same type)

Note: Please refer to our web site for a complete listing of supported processors.

Chipset

Intel 5520/ICH10R chipset

BIOS

32 Mb AMI® SPI Flash ROM

Memory Capacity

Eighteen DIMM sockets supporting up to 144 GB of DDR3-1333/1066/800 registered ECC SDRAM

Note: Interleaved memory - requires memory must be installed four modules at a time. See Section 5-6 for details.

SATA Controller

Intel on-chip (ICH10R) controller for 6-port 3 Gb/s SATA (RAID 0, 1, 10 and 5 supported)

SATA Drive Bays

Eight hot-swap drive bays to house six (6) standard SATA drives

Peripheral Drive Bays

Three 5.25" drive bays

Expansion Slots

Two PCI Express 2.0 x16 slots, three PCI Express 2.0 x8 slots, one PCI Express 2.0 x8 (in a x16 slot) slot and one PCI Express 2.0 x4 (in a x8 slot) slot

Serverboard

X8DAH+/X8DAH+F (Extended ATX form factor)

Dimensions: 13.68 x 13 in (348 x 330 mm)

Chassis

SC745TQ-R1400B-SQ, tower/4U rackmount

Dimensions (as tower): (WxHxD) 7 x 19 x 27 in. (178 x 483 x 686 mm)

Weight

Gross (Bare Bone): 70 lbs. (31.8 kg.)

System Cooling

Three (3) 8-cm system cooling fans

Two (2) 8-cm rear exhaust fans

One (1) air shroud

System Input Requirements

AC Input Voltage: 100 - 240V AC auto-range

Rated Input Current: 13 - 4A max

Rated Input Frequency: 50 to 60 Hz

Power Supply

Rated Output Power: 1400W (Part# PWS-1K41P-SQ)

Rated Output Voltages: +12V (100A @ 240V, 83A @ 100V), +5Vsb (6A @ 240V, 4A @ 100V)

Operating Environment

Operating Temperature: 10° to 35° C (50° to 95° F)

Non-operating Temperature: -40° to 70° C (-40° to 158° F)

Operating Relative Humidity: 20% to 95% (non-condensing)

Non-operating Relative Humidity: 5 to 95% (non-condensing)

Regulatory Compliance

Electromagnetic Emissions: FCC Class B, EN 55022 Class B, EN 61000-3-2/-3-3, CISPR 22 Class B

Electromagnetic Immunity: EN 55024/CISPR 24, (EN 61000-4-2, EN 61000-4-3, EN 61000-4-4, EN 61000-4-5, EN 61000-4-6, EN 61000-4-8, EN 61000-4-11)

Safety: CSA/EN/IEC/UL 60950-1 Compliant, UL or CSA Listed (USA and Canada), CE Marking (Europe)

California Best Management Practices Regulations for Perchlorate Materials:

This Perchlorate warning applies only to products containing CR (Manganese Dioxide) Lithium coin cells. "Perchlorate Material-special handling may apply. See www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate"

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