

# **SB336-Ni**

## **System Board User's Manual**

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- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio TV technician for help.

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2. Shielded interface cables must be used in order to comply with the emission limits.

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## About this Manual

An electronic file of this manual is included in the CD. To view the user's manual in the CD, insert the CD into a CD-ROM drive. The autorun screen (Main Board Utility CD) will appear. Click "User's Manual" on the main menu.

## Warranty

1. Warranty does not cover damages or failures that arised from misuse of the product, inability to use the product, unauthorized replacement or alteration of components and product specifications.
2. The warranty is void if the product has been subjected to physical abuse, improper installation, modification, accidents or unauthorized repair of the product.
3. Unless otherwise instructed in this user's manual, the user may not, under any circumstances, attempt to perform service, adjustments or repairs on the product, whether in or out of warranty. It must be returned to the purchase point, factory or authorized service agency for all such work.
4. We will not be liable for any indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages to the product that has been modified or altered.

## Static Electricity Precautions

It is quite easy to inadvertently damage your PC, system board, components or devices even before installing them in your system unit. Static electrical discharge can damage computer components without causing any signs of physical damage. You must take extra care in handling them to ensure against electrostatic build-up.

1. To prevent electrostatic build-up, leave the system board in its anti-static bag until you are ready to install it.
2. Wear an antistatic wrist strap.
3. Do all preparation work on a static-free surface.
4. Hold the device only by its edges. Be careful not to touch any of the components, contacts or connections.
5. Avoid touching the pins or contacts on all modules and connectors. Hold modules or connectors by their ends.



### **Important:**

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage your processor, disk drive and other components. Perform the upgrade instruction procedures described at an ESD workstation only. If such a station is not available, you can provide some ESD protection by wearing an antistatic wrist strap and attaching it to a metal part of the system chassis. If a wrist strap is unavailable, establish and maintain contact with the system chassis throughout any procedures requiring ESD protection.

## Safety Measures

To avoid damage to the system:

- Use the correct AC input voltage range.

To reduce the risk of electric shock:

- Unplug the power cord before removing the system chassis cover for installation or servicing. After installation or servicing, cover the system chassis before plugging the power cord.

Battery:

- Danger of explosion if battery incorrectly replaced.
- Replace only with the same or equivalent type recommend by the manufacturer.
- Dispose of used batteries according to local ordinance.

## About the Package

The system board package contains the following items. If any of these items are missing or damaged, please contact your dealer or sales representative for assistance.

- One SB336-Ni motherboard
- Two Serial ATA data cables
- Two USB port cables (with bracket)
- Two COM port cables (with bracket)
- One I/O shield
- One DVD
- One QR (Quick Reference)

## Optional Items

- USB port cable
- COM port cable
- Serial ATA data cable
- Serial ATA power cable
- I/O shield

The system board and accessories in the package may not come similar to the information listed above. This may differ in accordance to the sales region or models in which it was sold. For more information about the standard package in your region, please contact your dealer or sales representative.

## Before Using the System Board

Before using the system board, prepare basic system components.

If you are installing the system board in a new system, you will need at least the following internal components.

- A CPU
- Memory module
- Storage devices such as hard disk drive, CD-ROM, etc.

You will also need external system peripherals you intend to use which will normally include at least a keyboard, a mouse and a video display monitor.

# Chapter 1 - Introduction

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## Specifications

Processor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• LGA 1155 socket for:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 3rd generation Intel® Core™ processors (22nm process technology) (Rev. AA0 or later)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>: Intel® Core™ i7-3770 (8M Cache, up to 3.9GHz); 77W</li><li>: Intel® Core™ i5-3550S (6M Cache, up to 3.7GHz); 65W</li><li>: Intel® Core™ i3-3220 (3M Cache, 3.3GHz); 55W</li><li>: Intel® Pentium® G2120 (3M Cache, 3.1 GHz); 65W</li></ul></li><li>- 2nd generation Intel® Core™ processors (32nm process technology)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>: Intel® Core™ i7-2600 (8M Cache, up to 3.8 GHz); 95W</li><li>: Intel® Core™ i5-2400 (6M Cache, up to 3.4 GHz); 95W</li><li>: Intel® Core™ i3-2120 (3M Cache, 3.3 GHz); 65W</li><li>: Intel® Pentium® G850 (3M Cache, 2.9 GHz); 65W</li></ul></li></ul></li><li>• Intel® Advanced Vector Extensions (Intel® AVX) Instructions</li><li>• Intel® Turbo Boost Technology</li></ul>
Chipset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intel® H61 Express Chipset</li></ul>
System Memory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Two 240-pin DDR3 DIMM sockets</li><li>• Supports DDR3 1333/1600MHz (3rd generation processors)</li><li>• Supports DDR3 1066/1333MHz (2nd generation processors)</li><li>• Supports dual channel memory interface</li><li>• Supports up to 16GB system memory</li><li>• DRAM device technologies: 1Gb, 2Gb and 4Gb DDR3 DRAM technologies are supported for x8 and x16 devices, unbuffered, non-ECC</li></ul>
Expansion Slots	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1 PCIe x16 slot<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Supports Gen 3.0 (3rd generation processors)</li><li>- Supports Gen 2.0 (2nd generation processors)</li></ul></li><li>• 2 PCI slots (PCI 2.3: supports universal PCI card)</li></ul>
Graphics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intel® HD Graphics</li><li>• Display port: VGA</li><li>• VGA display resolution up to 2048x1536 pixels with 32-bit color at 75Hz</li><li>• Supports 6 Graphics Execution Units (EUs)</li><li>• Intel® Clear Video Technology</li><li>• DirectX Video Acceleration (DXVA) support for accelerating video processing</li></ul>
Audio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Realtek ALC262 2-channel High Definition Audio</li><li>• DACs with 100dB SNR; two stereo DACs support 24-bit PCM format for stereo audio playback</li><li>• ADCs with 90dB SNR; three stereo ADCs support 20-bit PCM format for multiple input streaming</li><li>• S/PDIF audio interface</li></ul>

LAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Realtek RTL8111DL Gigabit Ethernet Controller</li> <li>• Integrated 10/100/1000 transceiver</li> <li>• Fully compliant with IEEE 802.3, IEEE 802.3u, IEEE 802.3ab</li> </ul>
Serial ATA (SATA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 SATA 2.0 ports with data transfer rate up to 3Gb/s</li> </ul>
Super I/O Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Fintek F71879 I/O controller supports 2 RS232 COM ports</li> <li>• 2 Fintek F81217 I/O controllers support 8 RS232 COM ports</li> </ul>
Rear Panel I/O Ports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 mini-DIN-6 PS/2 mouse port</li> <li>• 1 mini-DIN-6 PS/2 keyboard port</li> <li>• 2 DB-9 RS232 serial ports</li> <li>• 1 DB-15 VGA port</li> <li>• 1 RJ45 LAN port</li> <li>• 4 USB 2.0/1.1 ports</li> <li>• Mic-in, line-in and line-out jacks</li> </ul>
I/O Connectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 connectors for 6 external USB 2.0/1.1 ports</li> <li>• 8 connectors for 8 external RS232 serial ports</li> <li>• 1 front audio connector for line-out and mic-in jacks</li> <li>• 1 S/PDIF connector</li> <li>• 1 CD-in connector</li> <li>• 4 Serial ATA ports</li> <li>• 1 24-pin ATX power connector</li> <li>• 1 8-pin 12V power connector</li> <li>• 1 chassis intrusion connector</li> <li>• 1 front panel connector</li> <li>• 3 fan connectors</li> </ul>
BIOS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AMI BIOS</li> <li>- 32Mbit SPI BIOS</li> </ul>
Energy Efficient Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports ErP Lot6 power saving (optional)</li> <li>• Supports ACPI</li> <li>• System Power Management</li> <li>• Wake-On-Events include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wake-On-PS/2 KB/Mouse</li> <li>- Wake-On-USB KB/Mouse</li> <li>- Wake-On-LAN</li> <li>- RTC timer to power-on the system</li> </ul> </li> <li>• CPU stopped clock control</li> <li>• AC power failure recovery</li> </ul>
Damage Free Intelligence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitors CPU/system temperature and overheat alarm</li> <li>• Monitors VCORE/5V/3.3V/V_DIMM/12V/5VSB voltages and failure alarm</li> <li>• Monitors CPU/system fan speed and failure alarm</li> <li>• Read back capability that displays temperature, voltage and fan speed</li> <li>• Watchdog timer function</li> </ul>
Power Consumption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 103.85 W with i7-2600 at 3.40GHz and 2x 1GB DDR3 DIMM</li> </ul>

OS Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Windows XP Professional x86 &amp; SP3 (32-bit)</li><li>• Windows XP Professional x64 &amp; SP2 (64-bit)</li><li>• Windows 7 Ultimate x86 &amp; SP1 (32-bit)</li><li>• Windows 7 Ultimate x64 &amp; SP1 (64-bit)</li><li>• Windows 8 Enterprise x86 (32-bit)</li><li>• Windows 8 Enterprise x64 (64-bit)</li></ul>
Temperature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Operating: 0°C to 60°C</li><li>• Storage: -20°C to 85°C</li></ul>
Humidity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 10% to 90%</li></ul>
Dimensions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• microATX form factor</li><li>• 244mm (9.6") x 244mm (9.6")</li></ul>
Certification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CE</li><li>• FCC Class B</li><li>• UL</li><li>• RoHS</li></ul>

## Features

### Watchdog Timer

The Watchdog Timer function allows your application to regularly “clear” the system at the set time interval. If the system hangs or fails to function, it will reset at the set time interval so that your system will continue to operate.

### DDR3

DDR3 delivers increased system bandwidth and improved performance. It offers peak data transfer rate of up to 16Gb/s bandwidth. The advantages of DDR3 are its higher bandwidth and its increase in performance at a lower power than DDR2.

### Graphics

The integrated Intel HD graphics for graphics intensive applications delivers exceptional 3D, 2D and video capabilities. It supports the VGA interface.

### PCI Express

PCI Express is a high bandwidth I/O infrastructure that possesses the ability to scale speeds by forming multiple lanes. The PCI Express architecture also provides a high performance graphics infrastructure by enhancing the capability of a x16 PCI Express lane to provide 8 Gigabytes per second transfer rate.

### Audio

The Realtek ALC262 audio codec provides 2-channel High Definition audio output.

### Serial ATA

Serial ATA is a storage interface that is compliant with SATA 1.0a specification. SATA 2.0 supports speed up to 3Gb/s. This improves hard drive performance faster than the standard parallel ATA whose data transfer rate is 100MB/s.

### Gigabit LAN

The Realtek RTL8111DL PCI Express Gigabit controllers support up to 1Gbps data transmission.

### USB

The system board supports USB 2.0 and USB 1.1 ports. USB 1.1 supports 12Mb/second bandwidth while USB 2.0 supports 480Mb/second bandwidth providing a marked improvement in device transfer speeds between your computer and a wide range of simultaneously accessible external Plug and Play peripherals.

## Wake-On-LAN

This feature allows the network to remotely wake up a Soft Power Down (Soft-Off) PC. It is supported via the onboard LAN port or via a PCI LAN card that uses the PCI PME (Power Management Event) signal. However, if your system is in the Suspend mode, you can power-on the system only through an IRQ or DMA interrupt.

**Important:**

The 5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 720\text{mA}$ .

## Wake-On-PS/2

This function allows you to use the PS/2 keyboard or PS/2 mouse to power-on the system.

**Important:**

The 5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 720\text{mA}$ .

## Wake-On-USB

This function allows you to use a USB keyboard or USB mouse to wake up a system from the S3 (STR - Suspend To RAM) state.

**Important:**

If you are using the Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse function for 2 USB ports, the 5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 1.5\text{A}$ . For 3 or more USB ports, the 5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 2\text{A}$ .

## RTC Timer

The RTC installed on the system board allows your system to automatically power-on on the set date and time.

## ACPI STR

The system board is designed to meet the ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface) specification. ACPI has energy saving features that enables PCs to implement Power Management and Plug-and-Play with operating systems that support OS Direct Power Management. ACPI when enabled in the Power Management Setup will allow you to use the Suspend to RAM function.

With the Suspend to RAM function enabled, you can power-off the system at once by pressing the power button or selecting "Standby" when you shut down Windows® without having to go through the sometimes tiresome process of closing files, applications and operating system. This is because the system is capable of storing all programs and data files during the entire operating session into RAM (Random Access Memory) when it powers-off. The operating session will resume exactly where you left off the next time you power-on the system.

**Important:**

The 5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 720\text{mA}$ .

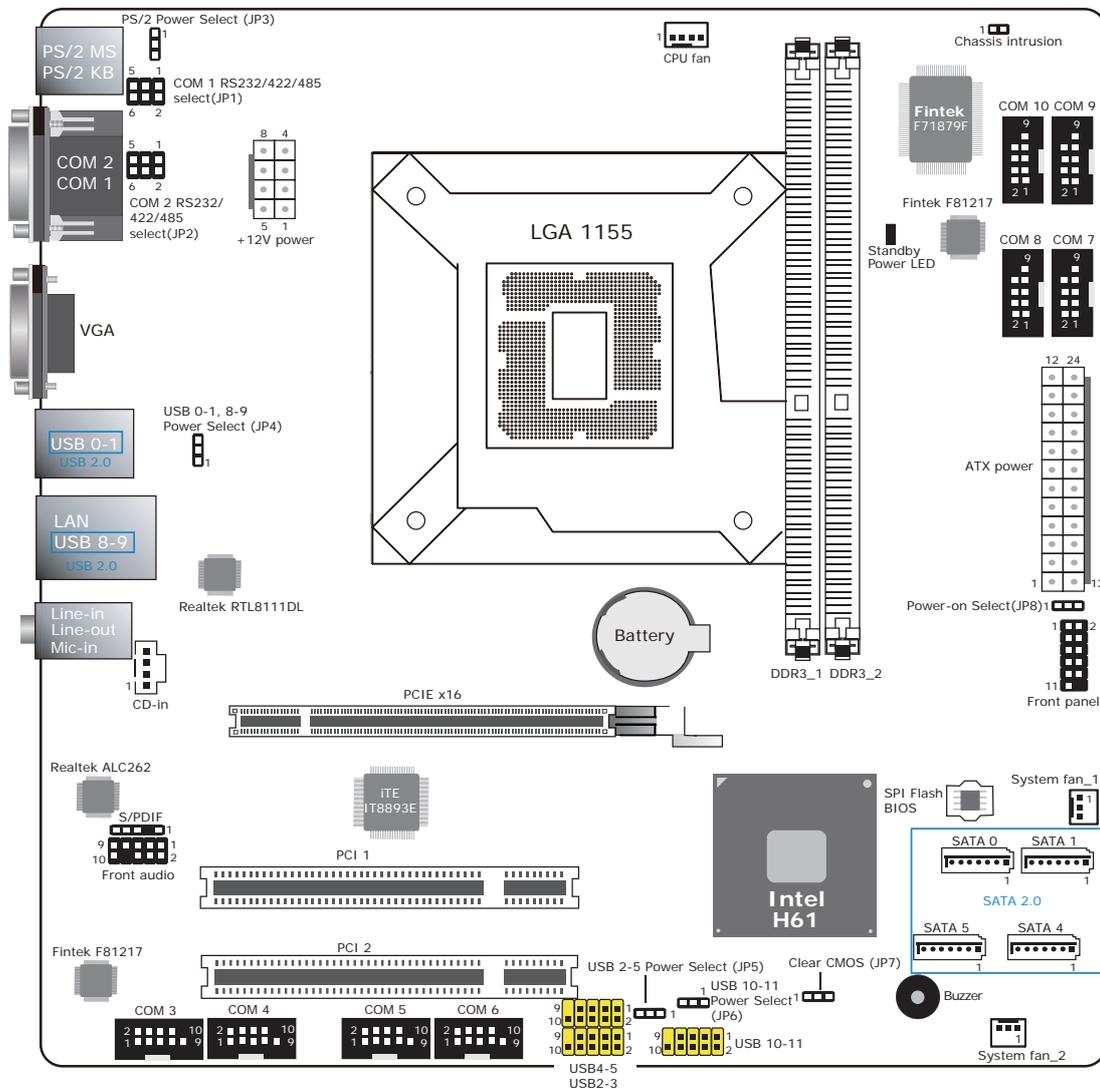
### Power Failure Recovery

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When power returns after an AC power failure, you may choose to either power-on the system manually or let the system power-on automatically.

# Chapter 2 - Hardware Installation

## System Board Layout



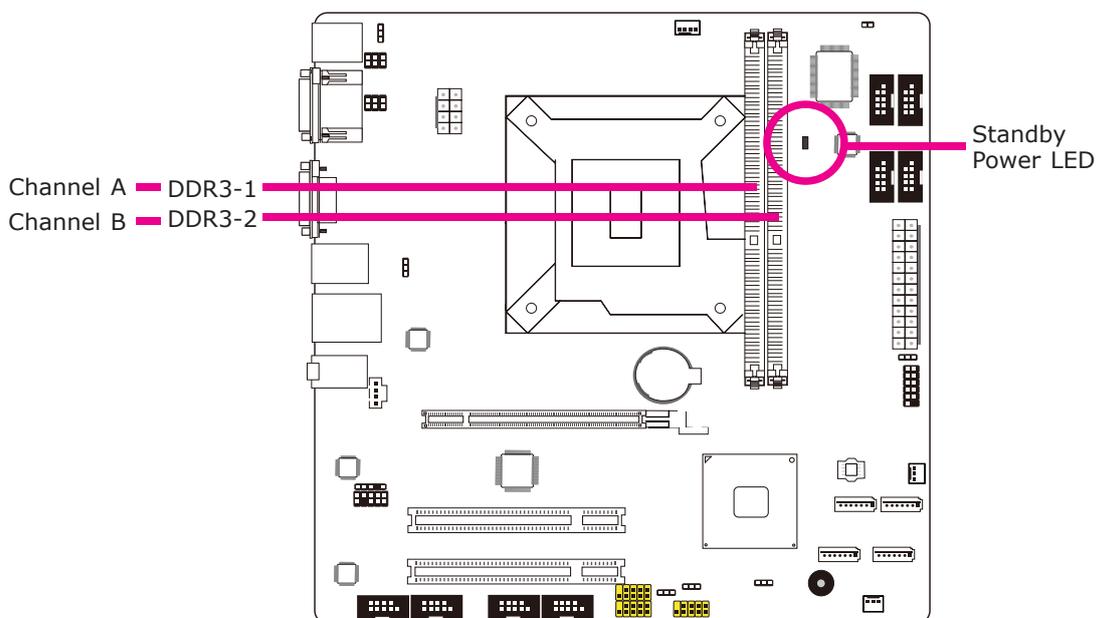
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## System Memory

**Important:**

When the Standby Power LED lit red, it indicates that there is power on the system board. Power-off the PC then unplug the power cord prior to installing any devices. Failure to do so will cause severe damage to the motherboard and components.



### Features

- The two DIMM sockets are divided into two channels:

Channel A - DDR3\_1  
Channel B - DDR3\_2

- Dual channel memory interface
- Maximum of 16GB system memory

The system board supports the following memory interface.

### Single Channel (SC)

Data will be accessed in chunks of 64 bits (8B) from the memory channels.

### Dual Channel (DC)

Data will be accessed in chunks of 128 bits from the memory channels. Dual channel provides better system performance because it doubles the data transfer rate.

Single Channel	DIMMs are on the same channel. DIMMs in a channel can be identical or completely different. However, we highly recommend using identical DIMMs. Not all slots need to be populated.
Dual Channel	DIMMs of the same memory configuration are on different channels.



#### Important:

1. You can populate either Channel A or Channel B first.
2. If you intend to use dual channel, populate DDR3\_1 and DDR3\_2 the same rule applies - always the socket farthest the CPU.

## Installing the DIMM Module

**Note:**

The system board used in the following illustrations may not resemble the actual board. These illustrations are for reference only.

1. Make sure the PC and all other peripheral devices connected to it has been powered down.
2. Disconnect all power cords and cables.
3. Locate the DIMM socket on the system board.
4. Push the "ejector tabs" which are at the ends of the socket to the side.

Ejector tab



Ejector tab

5. Note how the module is keyed to the socket.

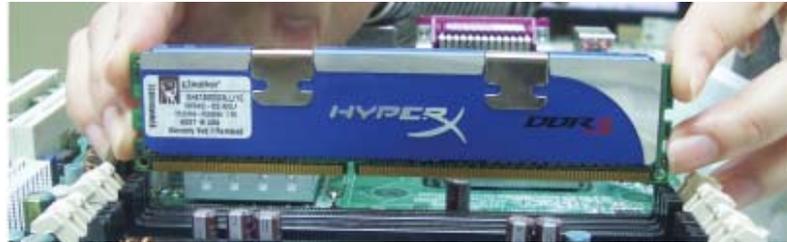


Notch

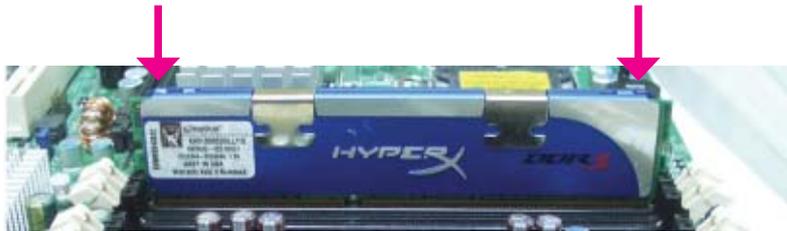
Key



6. Grasping the module by its edges, position the module above the socket with the “notch” in the module aligned with the “key” on the socket. The keying mechanism ensures the module can be plugged into the socket in only one way.



7. Seat the module vertically, pressing it down firmly until it is completely seated in the socket.



8. The ejector tabs at the ends of the socket will automatically snap into the locked position to hold the module in place.



## CPU

The system board is equipped with a surface mount LGA 1155 socket. This socket is exclusively designed for installing a LGA 1155 packaged Intel CPU.

**Important:**

1. Before you proceed, make sure (1) the LGA 1155 socket comes with a protective cap, (2) the cap is not damaged and (3) the socket's contact pins are not bent. If the cap is missing or the cap and/or contact pins are damaged, contact your dealer immediately.
2. Make sure to keep the protective cap. RMA requests will be accepted and processed only if the LGA 1155 socket comes with the protective cap.

**Note:**

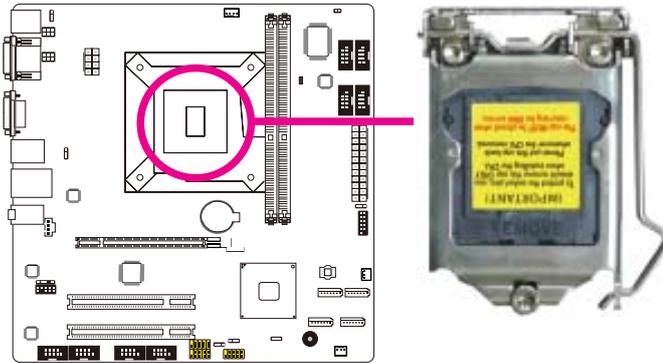
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## Installing the CPU

1. Make sure the PC and all other peripheral devices connected to it has been powered down.
2. Disconnect all power cords and cables.
3. Locate the LGA 1155 CPU socket on the system board.

**Important:**

The CPU socket must not come in contact with anything other than the CPU. Avoid unnecessary exposure. Remove the protective cap only when you are about to install the CPU.



4. Unlock the socket by pushing the load lever down, moving it sideways until it is released from the retention tab; then lift the load lever up.



- Lifting the load lever will at the same time lift the load plate.

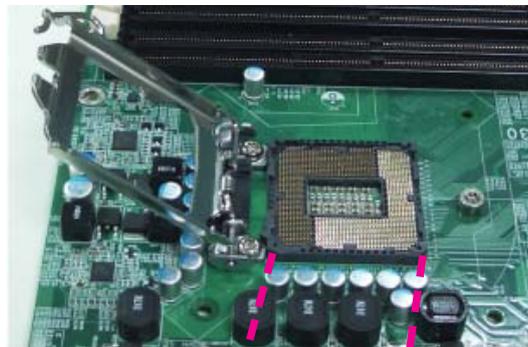
Lift the load lever up to the angle shown on the photo.

Load lever

Load plate

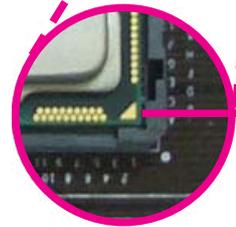


- Remove the protective cap from the CPU socket. The cap is used to protect the CPU socket against dust and harmful particles. Remove the protective cap only when you are about to install the CPU.



Protective cap

7. Insert the CPU into the socket. The gold triangular mark on the CPU must align with the corner of the CPU socket shown on the photo.



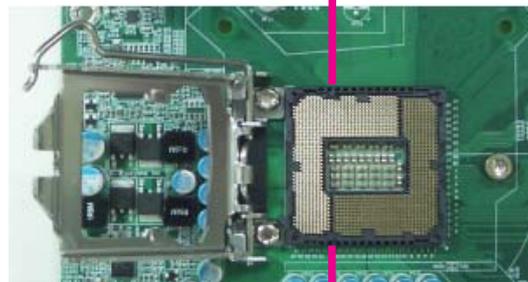
Gold triangular mark

The CPU's notch will at the same time fit into the socket's alignment key.

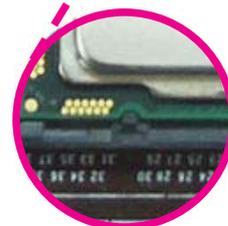
**Important:**

The CPU will fit in only one orientation and can easily be inserted without exerting any force.

Alignment key



Alignment key



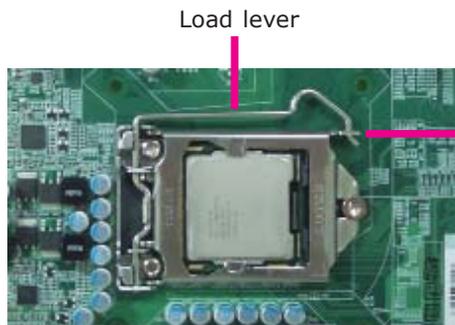
8. Close the load plate then push the load lever down.

While closing the load plate, make sure the front edge of the load plate slides under the retention knob.



Retention knob

9. Hook the load lever under the retention tab.



Load lever

Retention tab

## Installing the Fan and Heat Sink

The CPU must be kept cool by using a CPU fan with heat sink. Without sufficient air circulation across the CPU and heat sink, the CPU will overheat damaging both the CPU and system board.

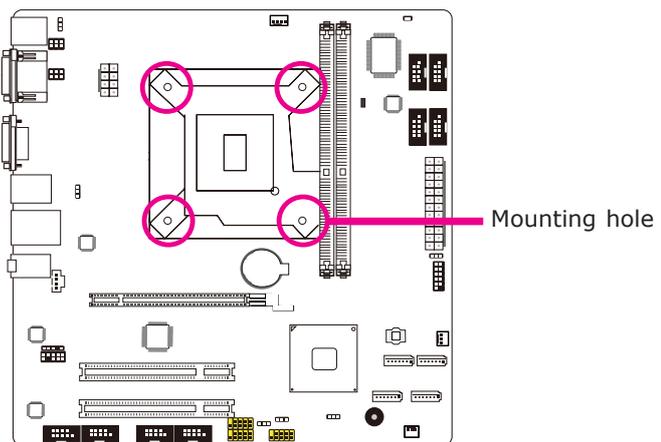
**Note:**

A boxed Intel® processor already includes the CPU fan and heat sink assembly. If your CPU was purchased separately, make sure to only use Intel®-certified fan and heat sink.

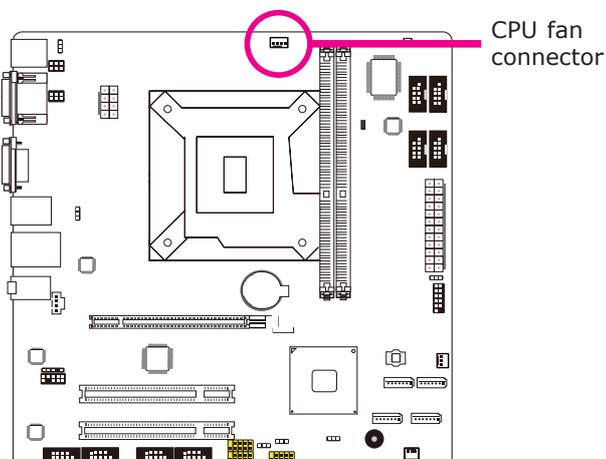
1. Before you install the fan / heat sink, you must apply a thermal paste onto the top of the CPU. The thermal paste is usually supplied when you purchase the fan / heat sink assembly. Do not spread the paste all over the surface. When you later place the heat sink on top of the CPU, the compound will disperse evenly.

Some heat sinks come with a patch of pre-applied thermal paste. Do not apply thermal paste if the fan / heat sink already has a patch of thermal paste on its underside. Peel the strip that covers the paste before you place the fan / heat sink on top of the CPU.

2. Place the heat sink on top of the CPU. The 4 push-pins around the heat sink, which are used to secure the heat sink onto the system board, must match the 4 mounting holes around the socket.

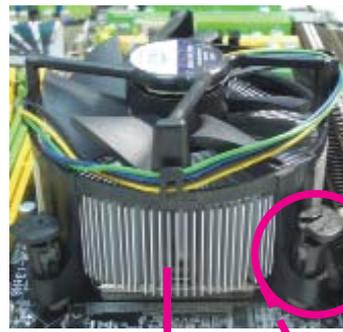


3. Orient the heat sink such that the CPU fan's cable is nearest the CPU fan connector.



4. Rotate each push-pin according to the direction of the arrow shown on top of the pin.

Push down two pushpins that are diagonally across the heat sink. Perform the same procedure for the other two push-pins.



Heat sink

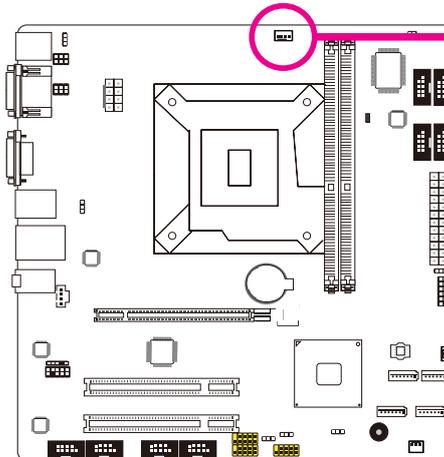


"Locked" position of push-pin



"Unlocked" position of push-pin

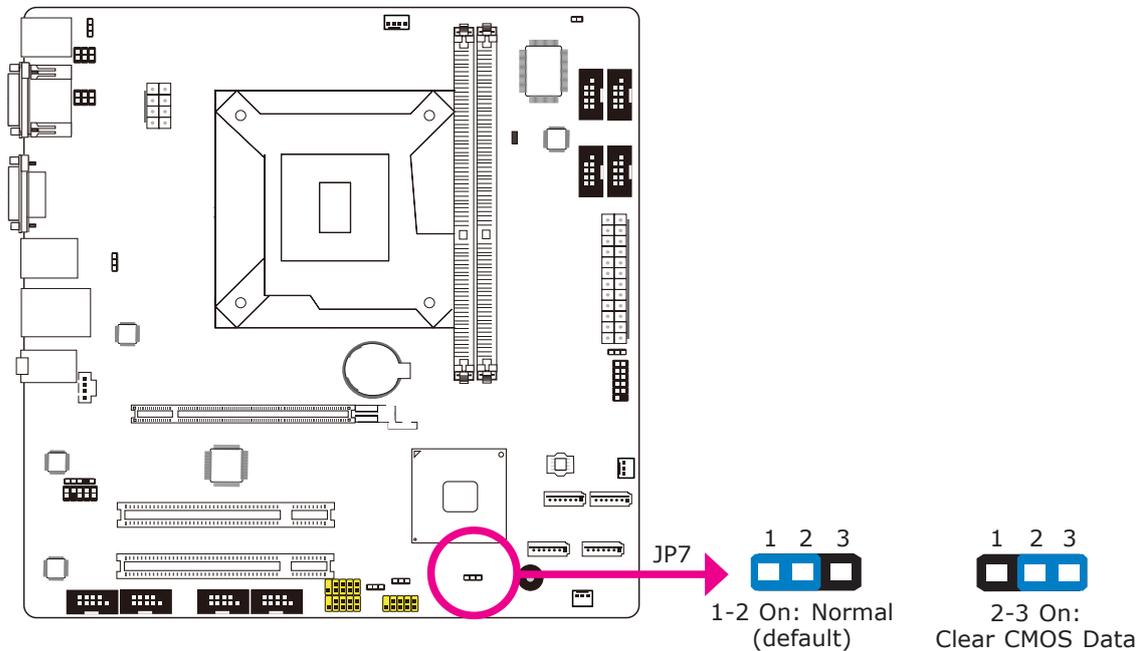
5. Connect the CPU fan's cable to the CPU fan connector on the system board.



CPU fan connector

## Jumper Settings

### Clear CMOS Data



If you encounter the following,

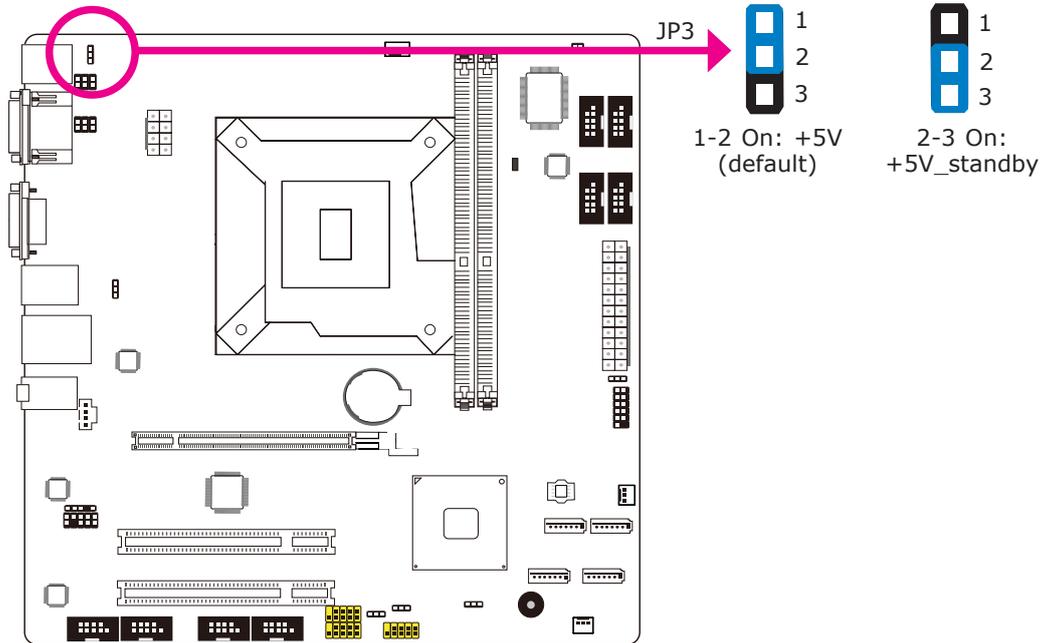
- a) CMOS data becomes corrupted.
- b) You forgot the supervisor or user password.

you can reconfigure the system with the default values stored in the ROM BIOS.

To load the default values stored in the ROM BIOS, please follow the steps below.

1. Power-off the system and unplug the power cord.
2. Set JP7 pins 2 and 3 to On. Wait for a few seconds and set JP7 back to its default setting, pins 1 and 2 On.
3. Now plug the power cord and power-on the system.

## PS/2 Power Select

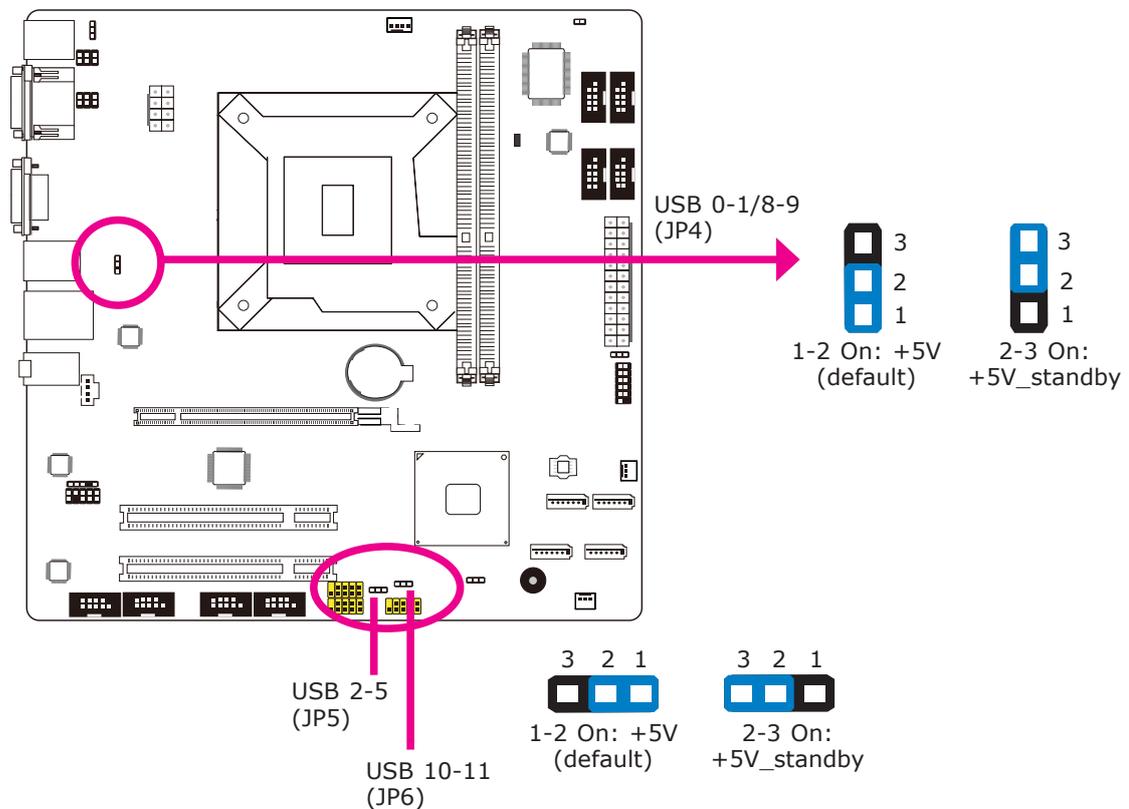


JP3 is used to select the power of the PS/2 keyboard and PS/2 mouse ports. Selecting +5V\_standby will allow you to use the PS/2 keyboard or PS/2 mouse to wake up the system.

**Important:**

The +5VSB power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 720\text{mA}$ .

## USB Power Select



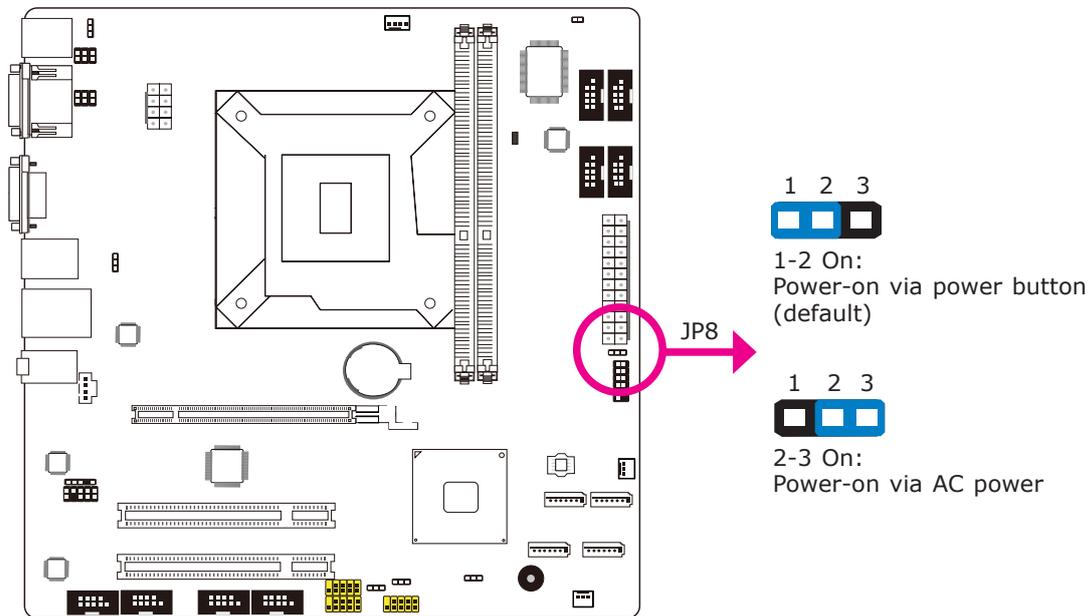
These jumpers are used to select the power of the USB ports. Selecting +5V\_standby will allow you to use a USB device to wake up the system.



### Important:

If you are using the Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse function for 2 USB ports, the +5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 1.5A$ . For 3 or more USB ports, the +5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 2A$ .

## Power-on Select



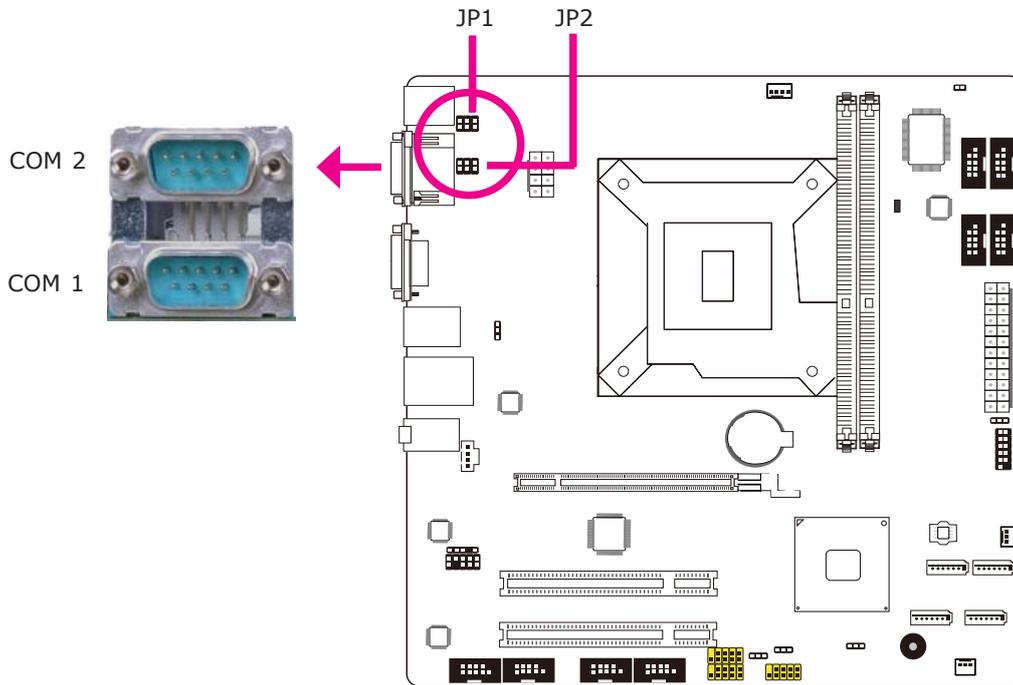
JP8 is used to select the method of powering on the system. If you want the system to power-on whenever AC power comes in, set JP8 pins 2 and 3 to On. If you want to use the power button, set pins 1 and 2 to On.

When using the JP8 "Power On" feature to power the system back on after a power failure occurs, the system may not power on if the power lost is resumed within 5 seconds (power flicker).

**Note:**

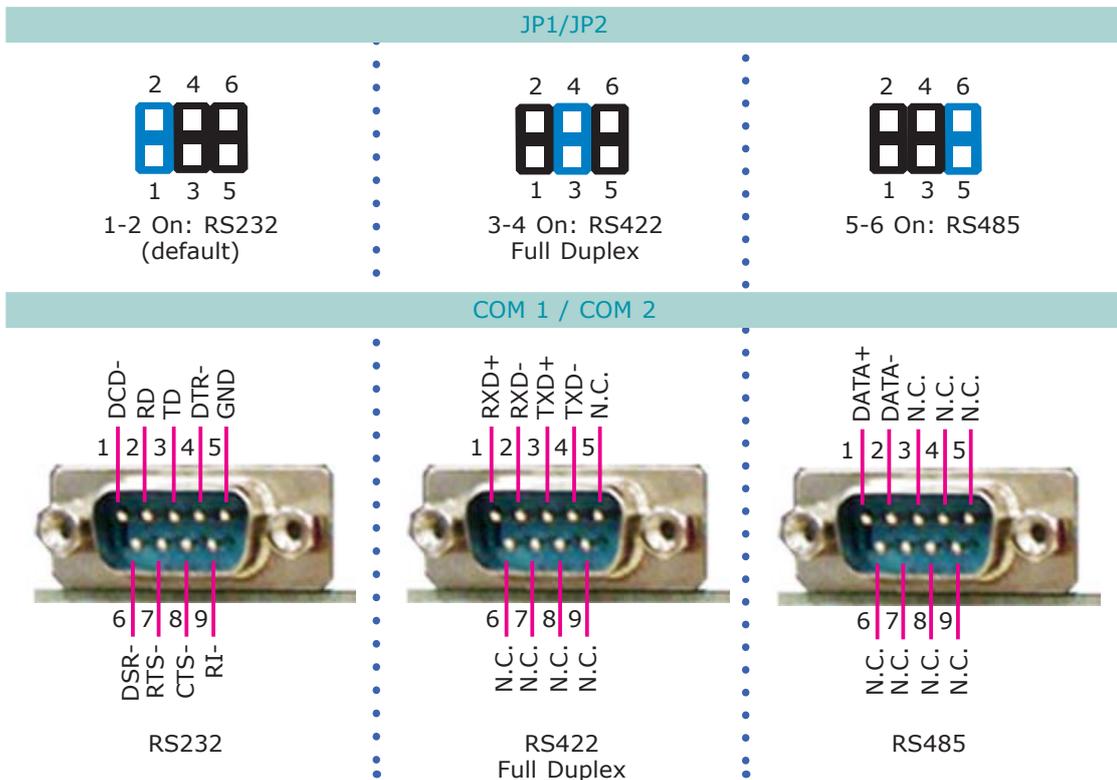
In order to ensure that power is resumed after a power failure that recovers within a 5 second period, JP8 must be set to pins 2-3 and the "AC Power Lose" in CMOS is set to "On".

COM1/COM2 RS232/RS422/RS485 Select

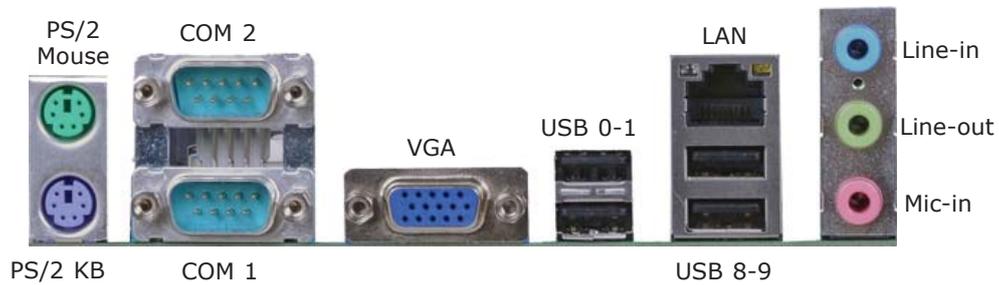


JP1 (for COM1) and JP2 (for COM2) are used to configure the COM ports to RS232, RS422 (Full Duplex) or RS485.

The pin function of the COM ports will vary according to the jumper's setting.



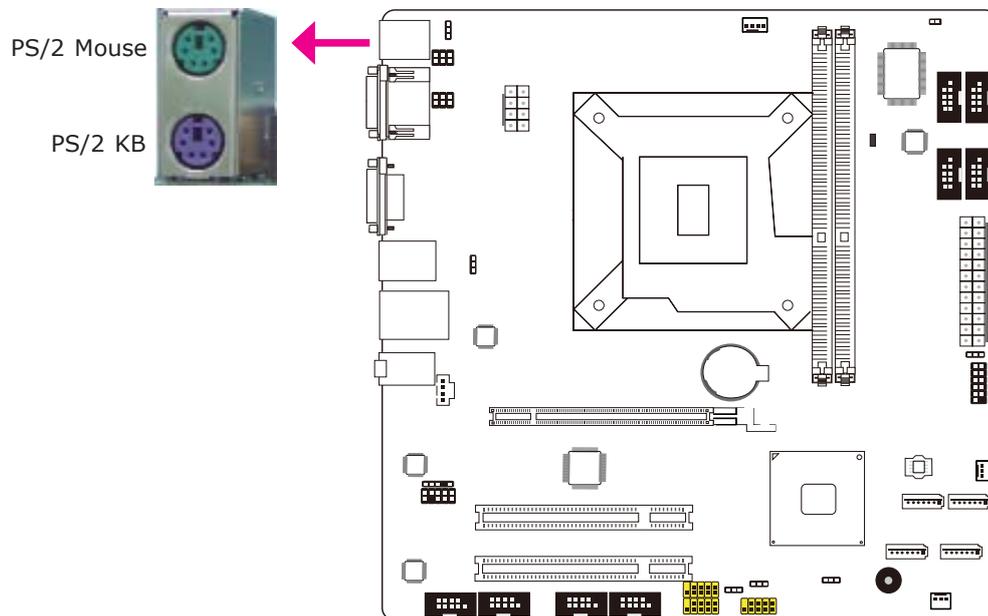
## Rear Panel I/O Ports



The rear panel I/O ports consist of the following:

- PS/2 mouse port
- PS/2 keyboard port
- 2 COM ports
- VGA port
- Realtek LAN port
- 4 USB ports
- Mic-in jack
- Line-in jack
- Line-out jack

## PS/2 Mouse and PS/2 Keyboard Ports



These ports are used to connect a PS/2 mouse and a PS/2 keyboard. The PS/2 mouse port uses IRQ12.

### Wake-On-PS/2 Keyboard/Mouse

The Wake-On-PS/2 Keyboard/Mouse function allows you to use the PS/2 keyboard or PS/2 mouse to power-on the system. To use this function:

- **Jumper Setting**

JP3 must be set to "2-3 On: +5V\_standby". Refer to "PS/2 Power Select" in this chapter for more information.

- **BIOS Setting**

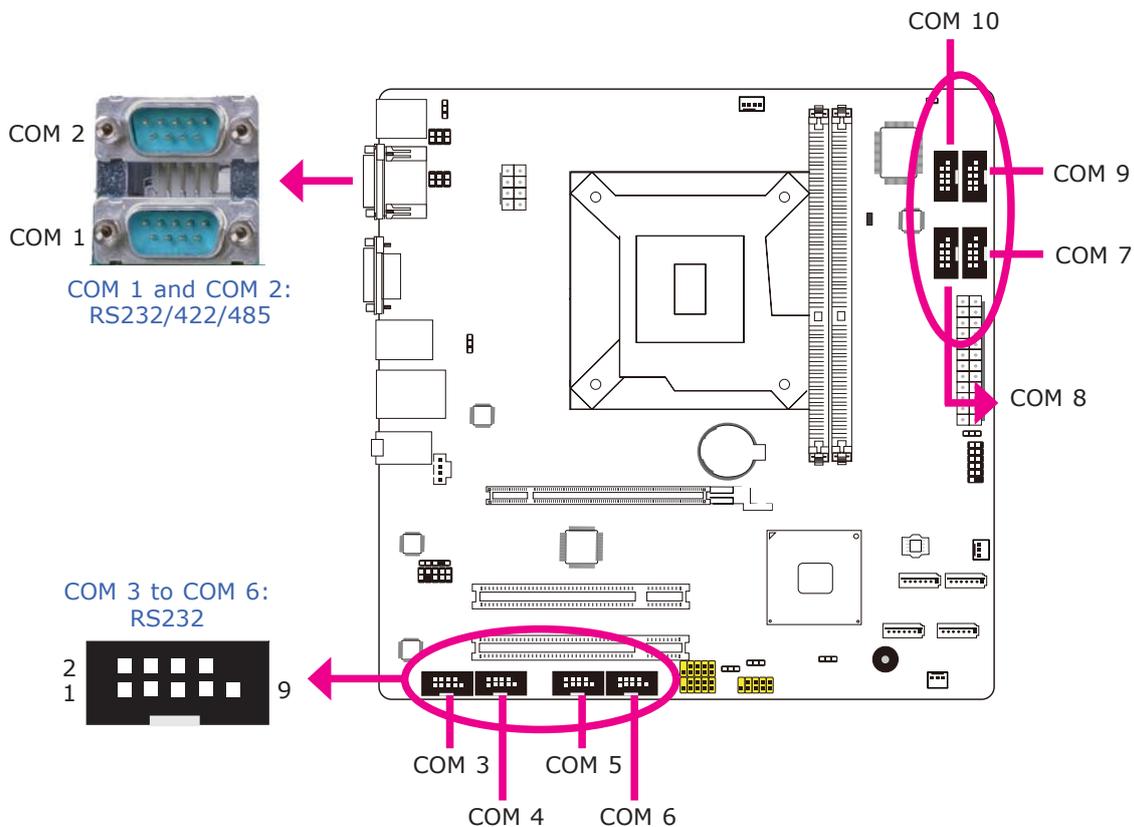
Configure the PS/2 keyboard/mouse wake up function in the Advanced menu ("ACPI Power Management Configuration" submenu) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.



**Important:**

The +5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 720\text{mA}$ .

## COM (Serial) Ports



COM 3 to COM 10 are fixed at RS232.

The pin function of COM 1 and COM 2 ports will vary according to JP1/JP2's setting. Refer to "COM1/COM2 RS232/RS422/RS485 Select" in this chapter for more information.

The serial ports are asynchronous communication ports with 16C550A-compatible UARTs that can be used with modems, serial printers, remote display terminals, and other serial devices.

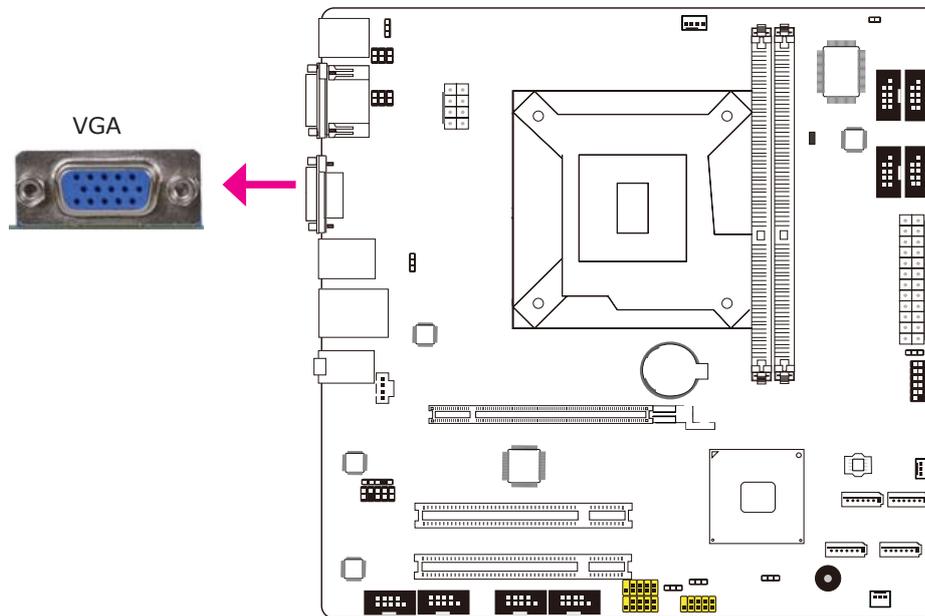
## Connecting External Serial Ports

Your COM port may come mounted on a card-edge bracket. Install the card-edge bracket to an available slot at the rear of the system chassis then insert the serial port cable to the COM connector. Make sure the colored stripe on the ribbon cable is aligned with pin 1 of the COM connector.

## BIOS Setting

Configure the serial ports in the Advanced menu ("Super IO Configuration" sub-menu) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

## VGA Port



The VGA port is used for connecting a VGA monitor. Connect the monitor's 15-pin D-shell cable connector to the VGA port. After you plug the monitor's cable connector into the VGA port, gently tighten the cable screws to hold the connector in place.

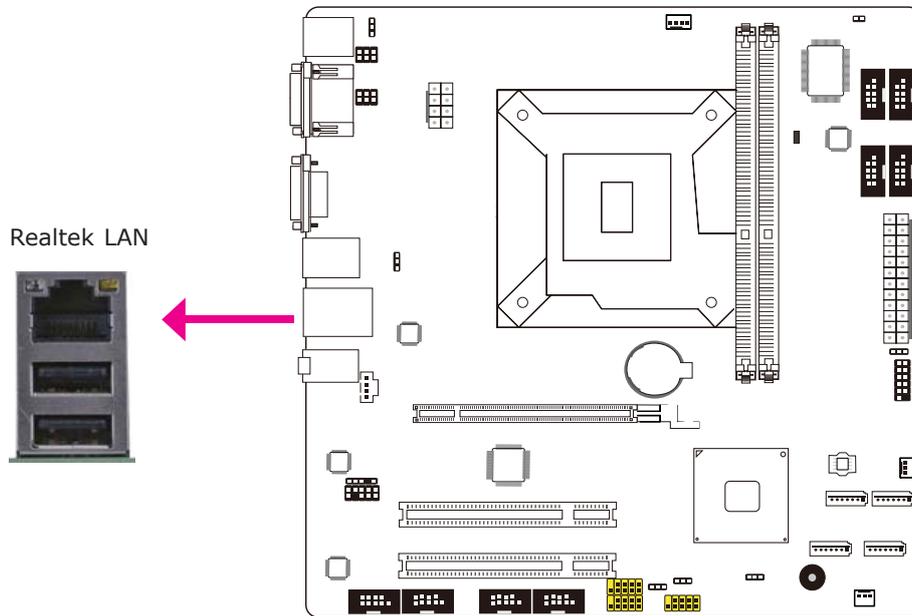
### BIOS Setting

Configure VGA in the Chipset menu ("North Bridge Configuration" submenu) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

### Driver Installation

Install the graphics driver. Refer to chapter 4 for more information.

## RJ45 LAN Ports



## Features

- Realtek RTL8111DL PCI Express Gigabit Ethernet controller

The LAN ports allow the system board to connect to a local area network by means of a network hub.

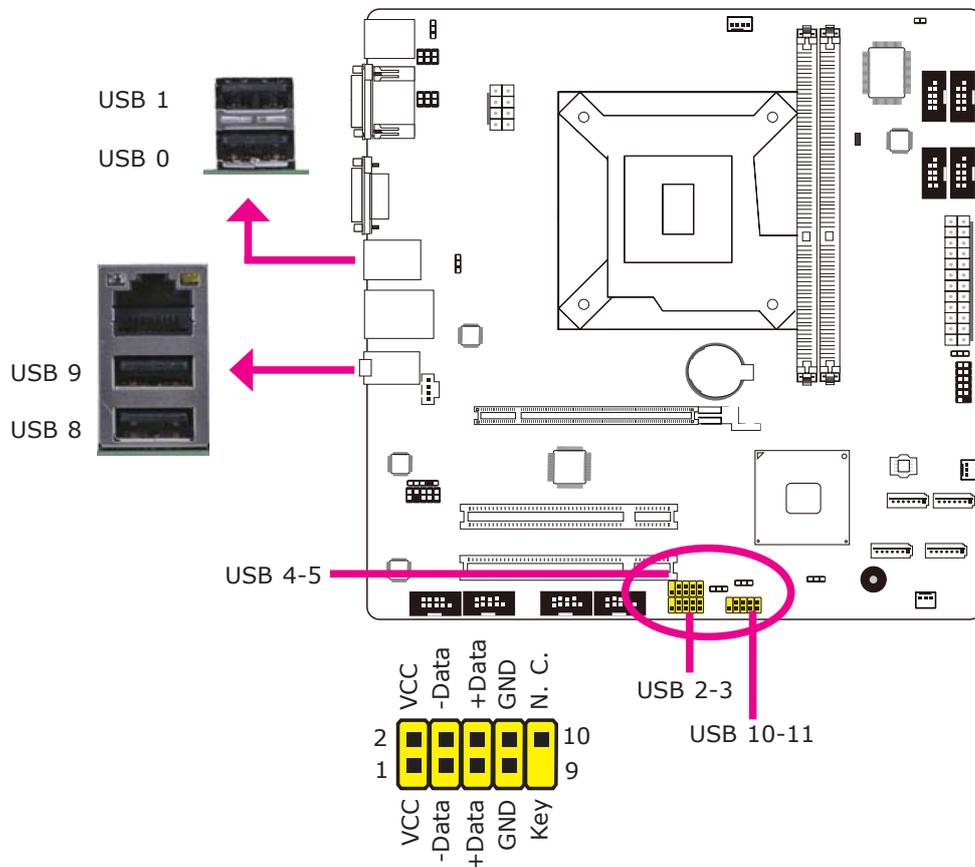
## BIOS Setting

Configure the onboard LAN in the Chipset menu ("South Bridge Configuration" submenu) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

## Driver Installation

Install the LAN drivers. Refer to chapter 4 for more information.

## USB Ports



USB allows data exchange between your computer and a wide range of simultaneously accessible external Plug and Play peripherals.

The system board is equipped with four onboard USB 2.0/1.1 ports. The three 10-pin connectors allow you to connect 6 additional USB 2.0/1.1 ports. The additional USB ports may be mounted on a card-edge bracket. Install the card-edge bracket to an available slot at the rear of the system chassis and then insert the USB port cables to a connector.

### BIOS Setting

Configure the onboard USB in the Advanced menu ("USB Configuration" sub-menu) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

### Driver Installation

You may need to install the proper drivers in your operating system to use the USB device. Refer to your operating system's manual or documentation for more information.

### Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse

The Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse function allows you to use a USB keyboard or USB mouse to wake up a system from the S3 (STR - Suspend To RAM) state. To use this function:

- **Jumper Setting**

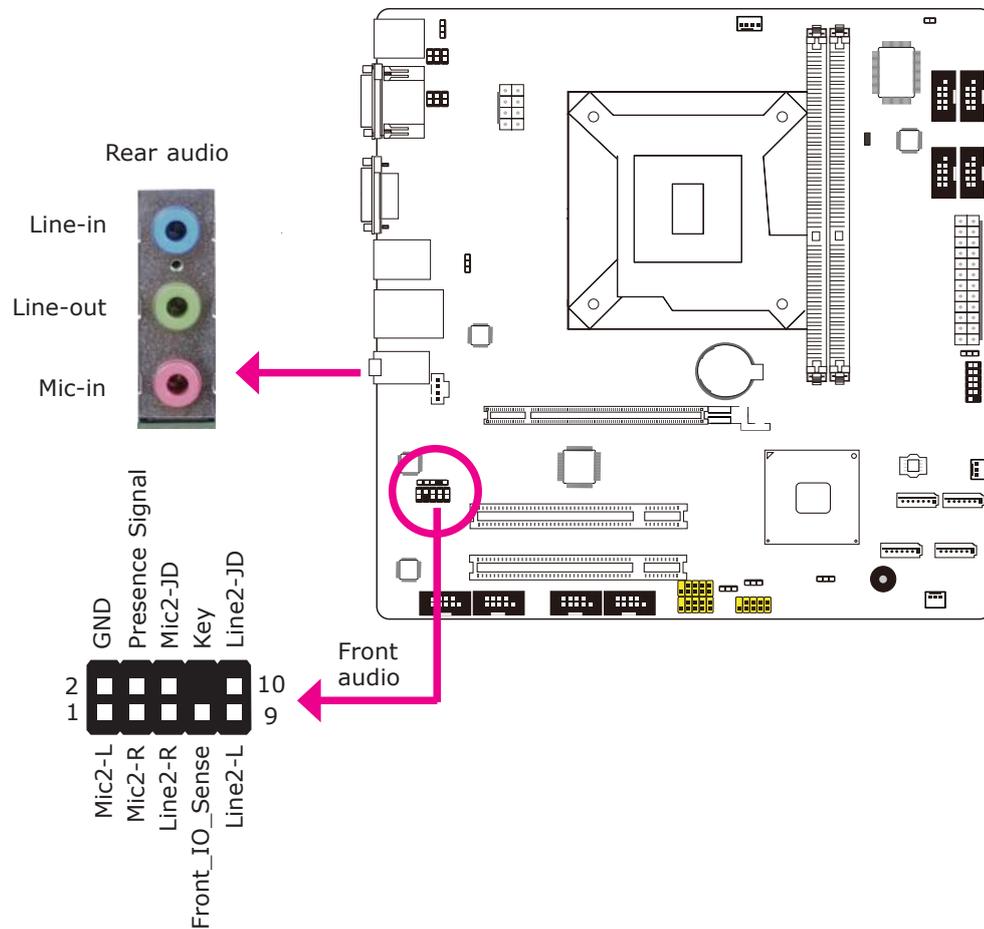
JP4, JP5 and/or JP6 must be set to "2-3 On: 5V\_standby". Refer to "USB Power Select" in this chapter for more information.



**Important:**

If you are using the Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse function for 2 USB ports, the 5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 1.5A$ . For 3 or more USB ports, the 5V\_standby power source of your power supply must support  $\geq 2A$ .

## Audio



### Rear Audio

The system board is equipped with 3 audio jacks. A jack is a one-hole connecting interface for inserting a plug.

- **Mic-in Jack (Pink)**  
This jack is used to connect an external microphone.
- **Line-in Jack (Light Blue)**  
This jack is used to connect any audio devices such as Hi-fi set, CD player, tape player, AM/FM radio tuner, synthesizer, etc.
- **Line-out Jack (Lime)**  
This jack is used to connect a headphone or external speakers.

### Front Audio

The front audio connector allows you to connect to the second line-out and mic-in jacks that are at the front panel of your system.

### BIOS Setting

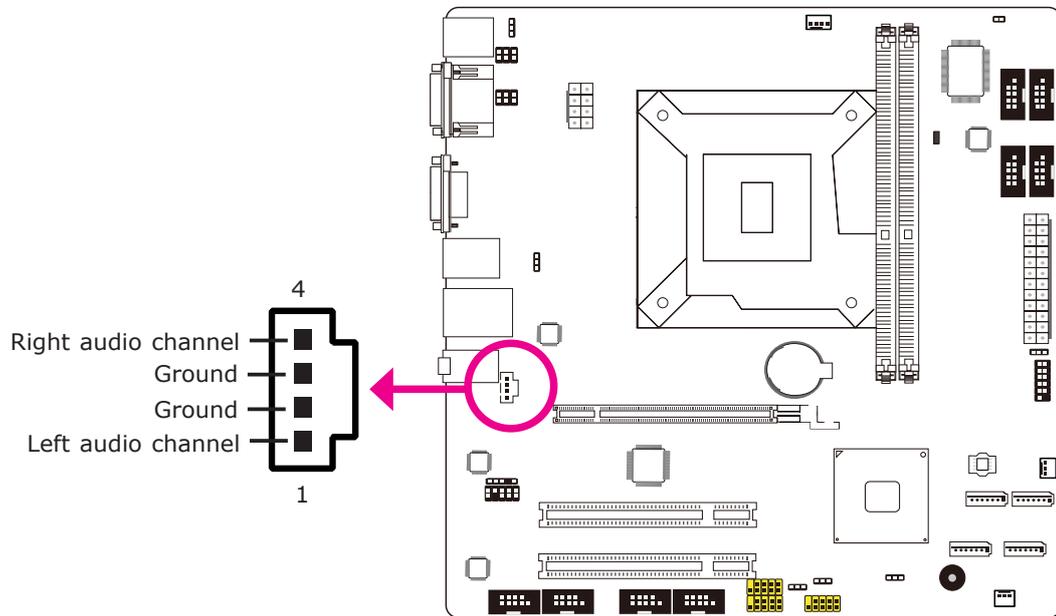
Configure the onboard audio in the Chipset menu ("South Bridge" submenu) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

### Driver Installation

Install the audio driver. Refer to chapter 4 for more information.

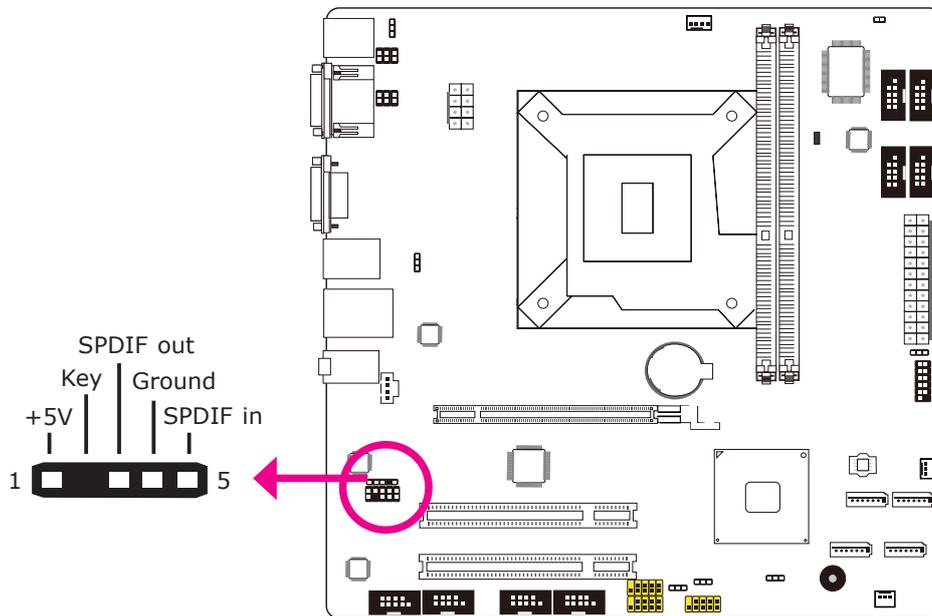
## I/O Connectors

### CD-in Internal Audio Connector



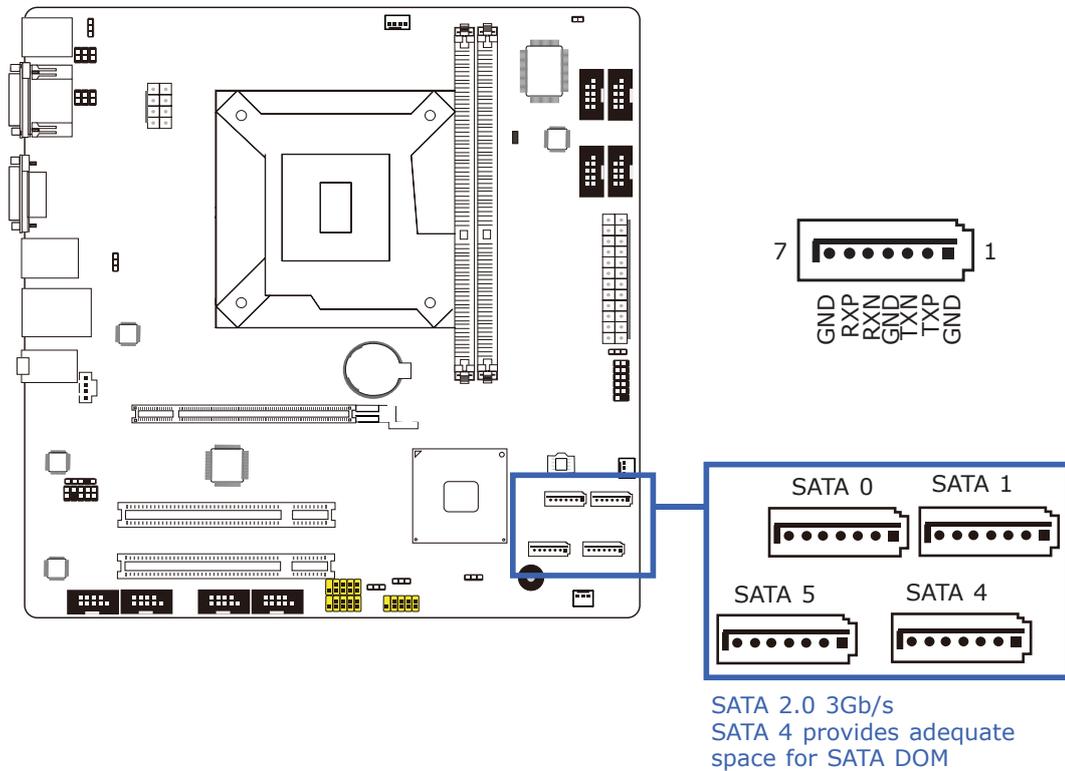
The CD-in connector is used to receive audio from a CD-ROM drive, TV tuner or MPEG card.

## S/PDIF Connector



The S/PDIF connector is used to connect an external S/PDIF port. Your S/PDIF port may be mounted on a card-edge bracket. Install the card-edge bracket to an available slot at the rear of the system chassis then connect the audio cable to the S/PDIF connector. Make sure pin 1 of the audio cable is aligned with pin 1 of the S/PDIF connector.

## SATA (Serial ATA) Connectors



### Features

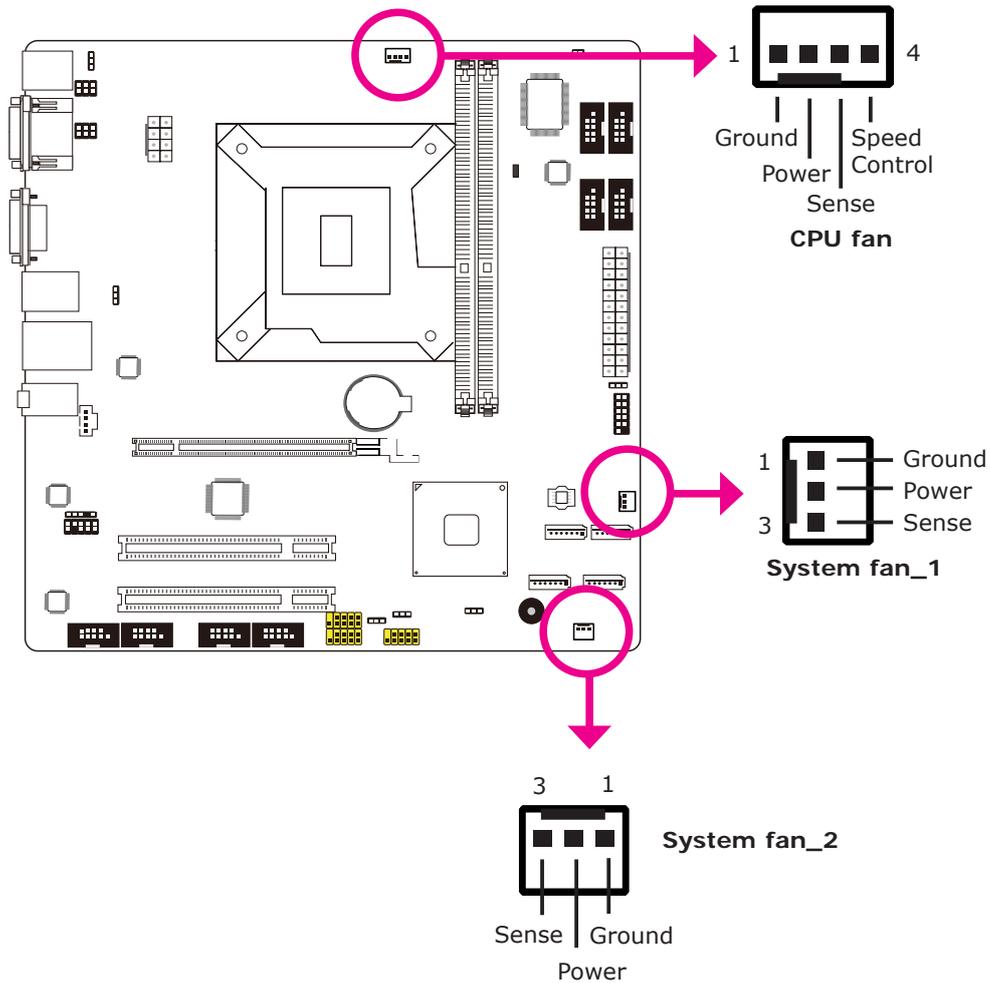
- SATA 0, SATA 1, SATA 4 and SATA 5 support data transfer rate up to 3Gb/s  
SATA 4 provides adequate space for SATA DOM

The Serial ATA connectors are used to connect Serial ATA devices. Connect one end of the Serial ATA cable to a SATA connector and the other end to your Serial ATA device.

### BIOS Setting

Configure the Serial ATA drives in the Advanced menu ("SATA Configuration" sub-menu) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

## Cooling Fan Connectors

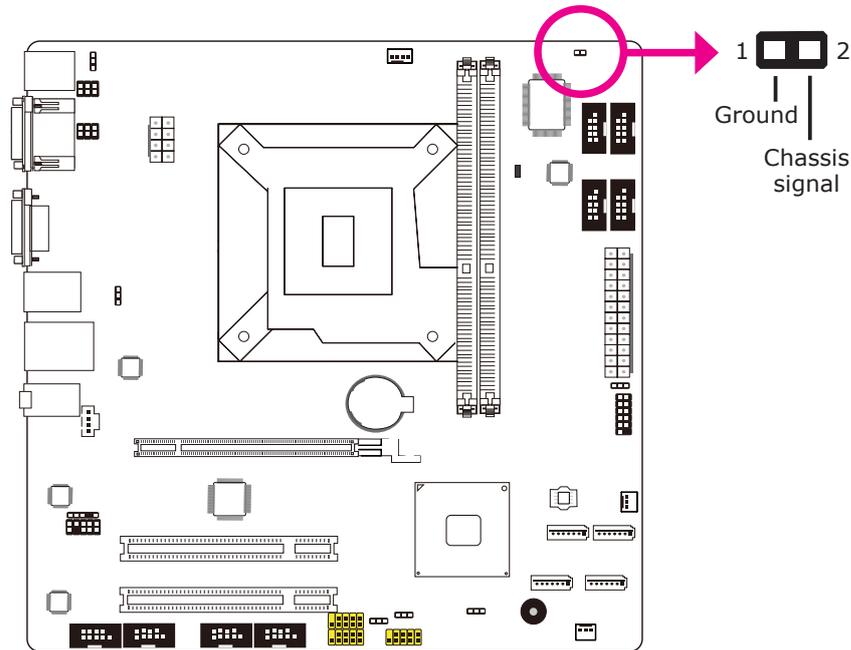


The fan connectors are used to connect cooling fans. The cooling fans will provide adequate airflow throughout the chassis to prevent overheating the CPU and system board components.

## BIOS Setting

The Advanced menu ("PC Health Configuration" submenu) of the BIOS will display the current speed of the cooling fans. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

## Chassis Intrusion Connector

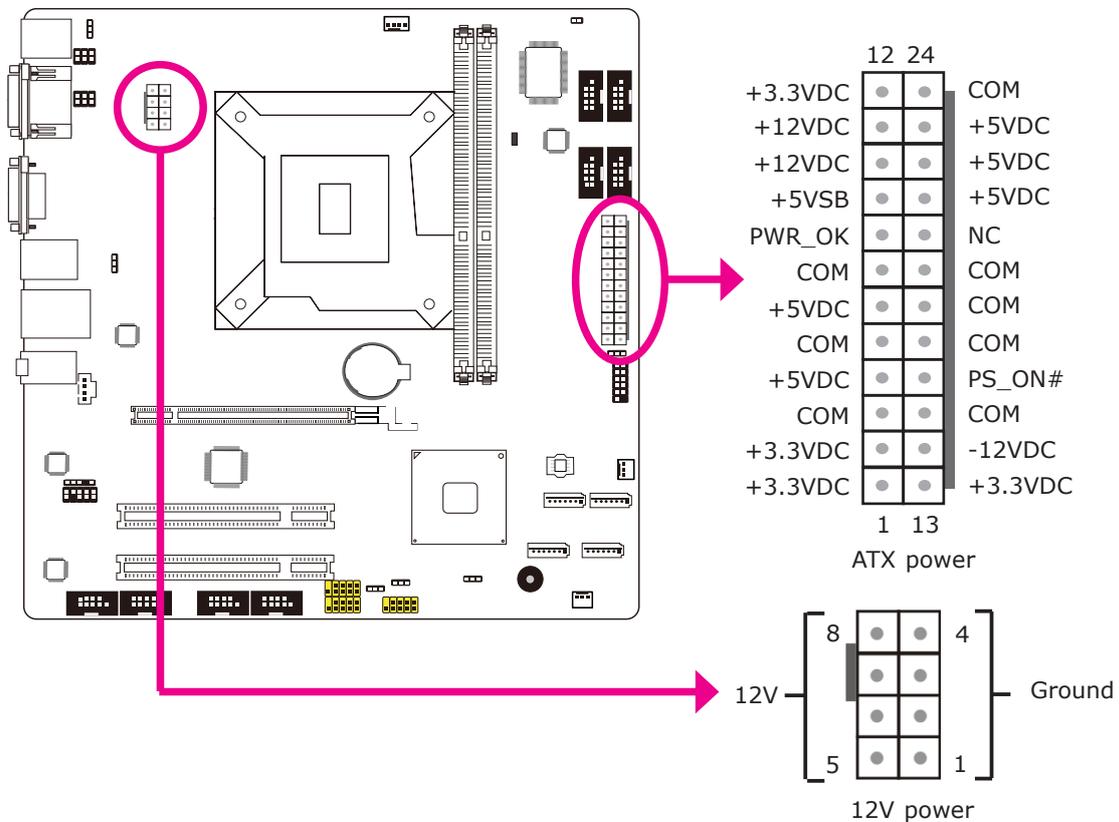


The board supports the chassis intrusion detection function. Connect the chassis intrusion sensor cable from the chassis to this connector. When the system's power is on and a chassis intrusion occurred, an alarm will sound. When the system's power is off and a chassis intrusion occurred, the alarm will sound only when the system restarts.

## MyGuard Hardware Monitor

Install the "MyGuard Hardware Monitor" utility. By default, the chassis intrusion detection function is disabled. When enabled, a warning message will appear when the chassis is open. The utility can also be configured so that a beeping alarm will sound when the chassis is open. Refer to the "MyGuard Hardware Monitor" section in chapter 4 for more information.

## Power Connectors



Use a power supply that complies with the ATX12V Power Supply Design Guide Version 1.1. An ATX12V power supply unit has a standard 24-pin ATX main power connector that must be inserted into the 24-pin connector. The 8-pin +12V power connector enables the delivery of more +12VDC current to the processor's Voltage Regulator Module (VRM).

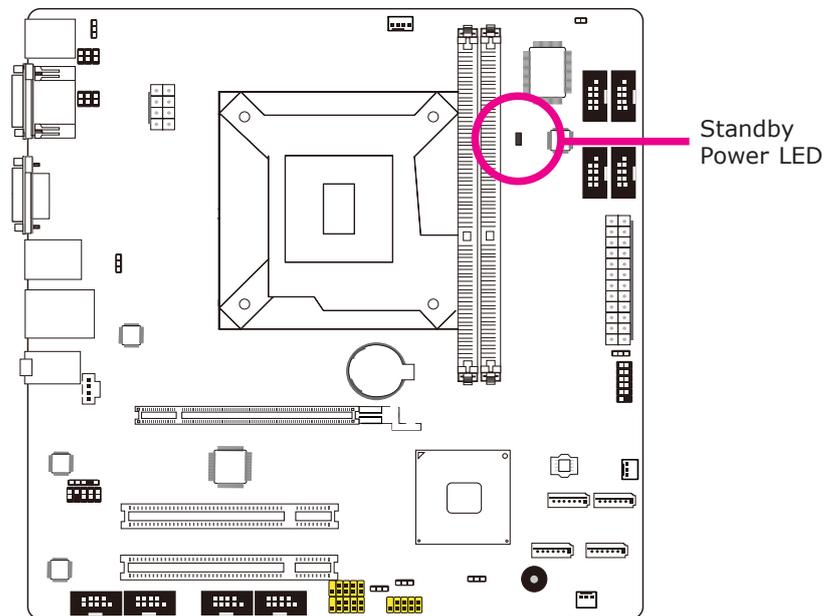
The power connectors from the power supply unit are designed to fit the 24-pin and 8-pin connectors in only one orientation. Make sure to find the proper orientation before plugging the connectors.

The system board requires a minimum of 300 Watt power supply to operate. Your system configuration (CPU power, amount of memory, add-in cards, peripherals, etc.) may exceed the minimum power requirement. To ensure that adequate power is provided, we strongly recommend that you use a minimum of 400 Watt (or greater) power supply.

**Important:**

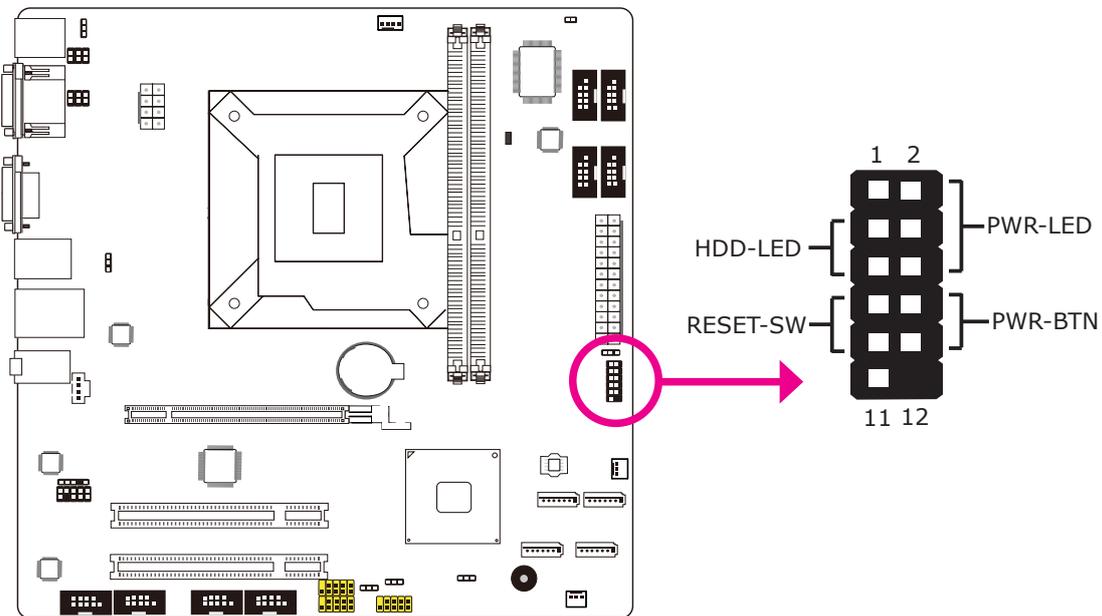
Insufficient power supplied to the system may result in instability or the add-in boards and peripherals not functioning properly. Calculating the system's approximate power usage is important to ensure that the power supply meets the system's consumption requirements.

## Standby Power LED



This LED will light red when the system is in the standby mode. It indicates that there is power on the system board. Power-off the PC and then unplug the power cord prior to installing any devices. Failure to do so will cause severe damage to the motherboard and components.

## Front Panel Connector



## HDD-LED - HDD LED

This LED will light when the hard drive is being accessed.

## RESET SW - Reset Switch

This switch allows you to reboot without having to power off the system.

## PWR-BTN - Power Switch

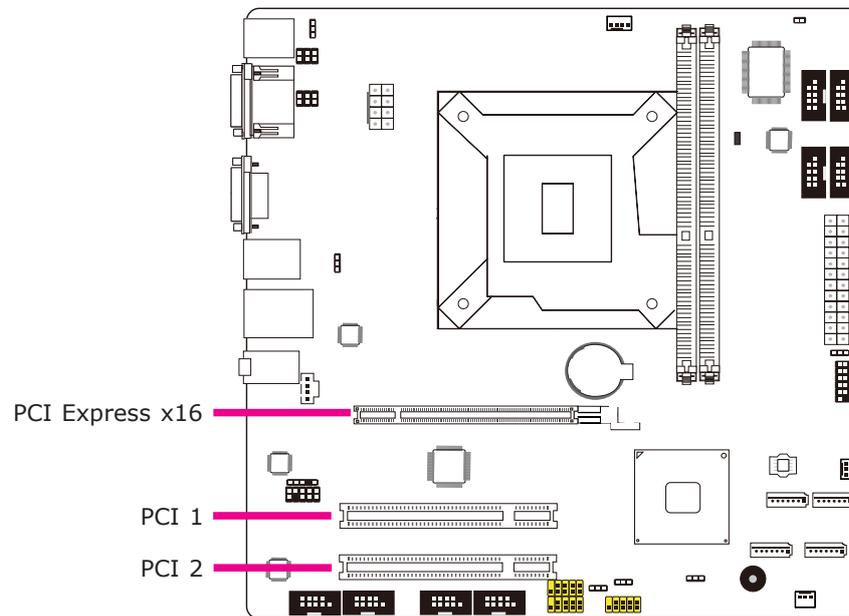
This switch is used to power on or off the system.

## PWR-LED - Power/Standby LED

When the system's power is on, this LED will light. When the system is in the S1 (POS - Power On Suspend) state, it will blink every second. When the system is in the S3 (STR - Suspend To RAM) state, it will blink every 4 seconds.

	Pin	Pin Assignment		Pin	Pin Assignment
<b>HDD-LED</b>	3	HDD Power	<b>PWR-LED</b>	2	LED Power
	5	Signal		4	LED Power
<b>RESET SW</b>	7	Ground		6	Signal
	9	RST Signal	<b>PWR-BTN</b>	8	Ground
	11	N.C.		10	Signal

## Expansion Slots



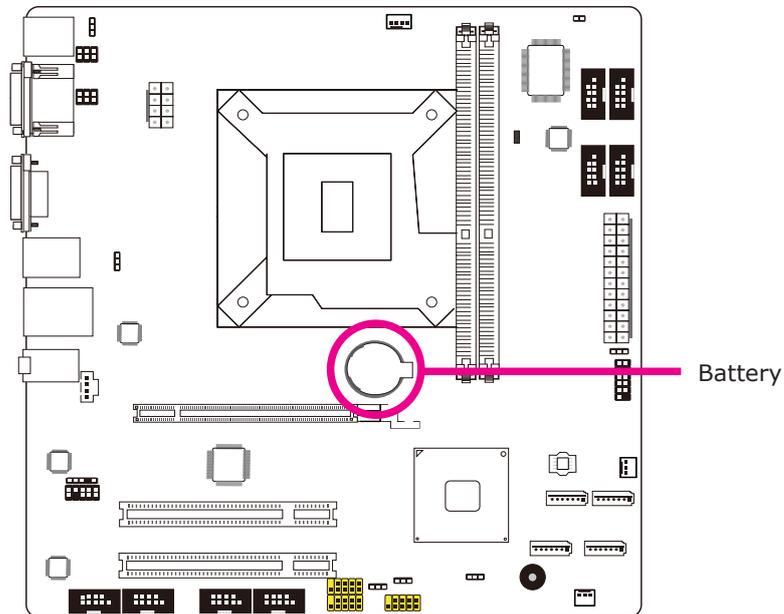
### PCI Express x16 Slot

Install PCI Express x16 graphics card, that comply to the PCI Express specifications, into the PCI Express x16 slot. To install a graphics card into the x16 slot, align the graphics card above the slot then press it down firmly until it is completely seated in the slot. The retaining clip of the slot will automatically hold the graphics card in place.

### PCI Slots

The PCI slot supports expansion cards that comply with PCI specifications.

## Battery



The lithium ion battery powers the real-time clock and CMOS memory. It is an auxiliary source of power when the main power is shut off.

## Safety Measures

- Danger of explosion if battery incorrectly replaced.
- Replace only with the same or equivalent type recommend by the manufacturer.
- Dispose of used batteries according to local ordinance.

## Chapter 3 - BIOS Setup

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### Overview

The BIOS is a program that takes care of the basic level of communication between the CPU and peripherals. It contains codes for various advanced features found in this system board. The BIOS allows you to configure the system and save the configuration in a battery-backed CMOS so that the data retains even when the power is off. In general, the information stored in the CMOS RAM of the EEPROM will stay unchanged unless a configuration change has been made such as a hard drive replaced or a device added.

It is possible that the CMOS battery will fail causing CMOS data loss. If this happens, you need to install a new CMOS battery and reconfigure the BIOS settings.



**Note:**

The BIOS is constantly updated to improve the performance of the system board; therefore the BIOS screens in this chapter may not appear the same as the actual one. These screens are for reference purpose only.

### Default Configuration

Most of the configuration settings are either predefined according to the Load Optimal Defaults settings which are stored in the BIOS or are automatically detected and configured without requiring any actions. There are a few settings that you may need to change depending on your system configuration.

### Entering the BIOS Setup Utility

The BIOS Setup Utility can only be operated from the keyboard and all commands are keyboard commands. The commands are available at the right side of each setup screen.

The BIOS Setup Utility does not require an operating system to run. After you power up the system, the BIOS message appears on the screen and the memory count begins. After the memory test, the message "Press DEL to run setup" will appear on the screen. If the message disappears before you respond, restart the system or press the "Reset" button. You may also restart the system by pressing the <Ctrl> <Alt> and <Del> keys simultaneously.

## Legends

Keys	Function
Right and Left arrows	Moves the highlight left or right to select a menu.
Up and Down arrows	Moves the highlight up or down between submenus or fields.
<Esc>	Exits to the BIOS Setup Utility.
+ (plus key)	Scrolls forward through the values or options of the highlighted field.
- (minus key)	Scrolls backward through the values or options of the highlighted field.
Tab	Selects a field.
<F1>	Displays General Help.
<F4>	Saves and exits the Setup program.
<Enter>	Press <Enter> to enter the highlighted submenu.

## Scroll Bar

When a scroll bar appears to the right of the setup screen, it indicates that there are more available fields not shown on the screen. Use the up and down arrow keys to scroll through all the available fields.

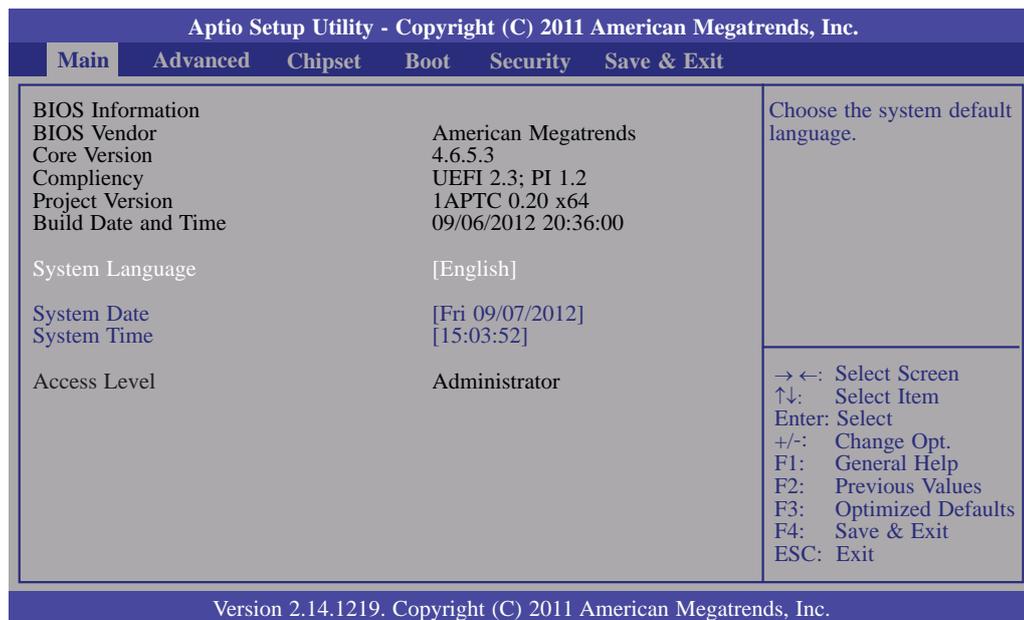
## Submenu

When "►" appears on the left of a particular field, it indicates that a submenu which contains additional options are available for that field. To display the submenu, move the highlight to that field and press <Enter>.

## AMI BIOS Setup Utility

### Main

The Main menu is the first screen that you will see when you enter the BIOS Setup Utility.



#### System Language

Choose the system default language.

#### System Date

The date format is <day>, <month>, <date>, <year>. Day displays a day, from Sunday to Saturday. Month displays the month, from January to December. Date displays the date, from 1 to 31. Year displays the year, from 1980 to 2099.

#### System Time

The time format is <hour>, <minute>, <second>. The time is based on the 24-hour military-time clock. For example, 1 p.m. is 13:00:00. Hour displays hours from 00 to 23. Minute displays minutes from 00 to 59. Second displays seconds from 00 to 59.

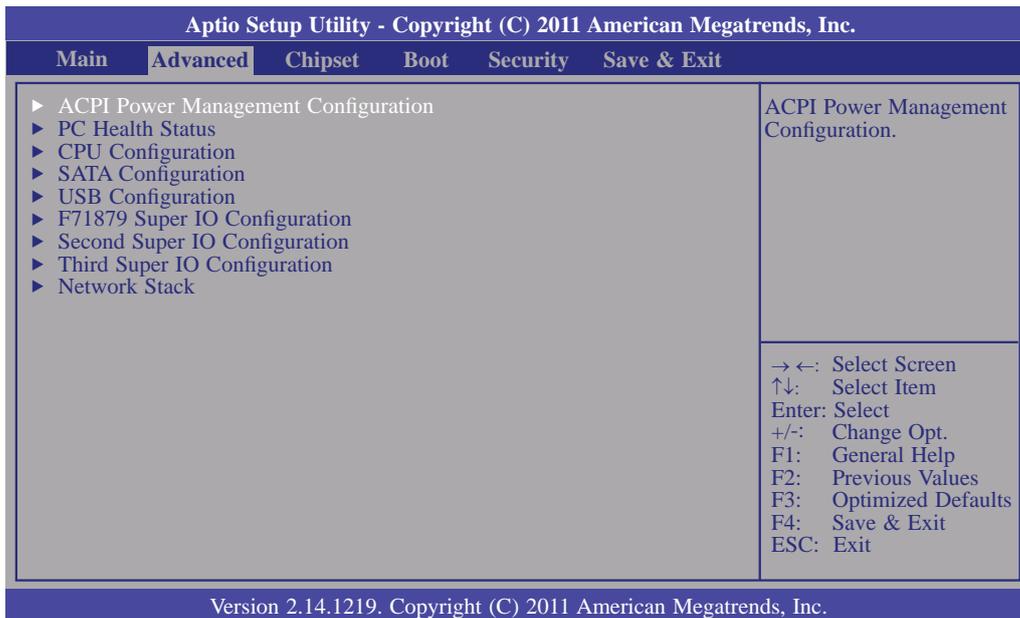
## Advanced

The Advanced menu allows you to configure your system for basic operation. Some entries are defaults required by the system board, while others, if enabled, will improve the performance of your system or let you set some features according to your preference.



**Important:**

Setting incorrect field values may cause the system to malfunction.



## ACPI Power Management Configuration

This section is used to configure the ACPI Power Management.

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Advanced		
ACPI Power Management Configuration		Select the highest ACPI sleep state the system will enter, when the SUSPEND button is pressed.
ACPI Sleep State	[S1 (CPU Stop Clock) ]	
Resume by PME	[Enabled]	→ ←: Select Screen ↑↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
Resume by PS2 KB (S1, S3)	[Disabled]	
Resume by PS2 MS (S1, S3)	[Disabled]	
Resume by Ring	[Disabled]	
Resume by RTC Alarm	[Disabled]	
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### ACPI Sleep State

Selects the highest ACPI sleep state the system will enter when the Suspend button is pressed.

S1(POS) Enables the Power On Suspend function.

S3(STR) Enables the Suspend to RAM function.

### Resume by PME

Enable this field to use the PME signal to wake up the system.

### Resume by PS2 KB (S1, S3)

About resume by PS2 KB (S1, S3); Options are enabled or disabled.

### Resume by PS2 MS (S1, S3)

About resume by PS2 MS (S1, S3); Options are enabled or disabled.

### Resume by Ring

Set this field to Enabled to use the modem ring-on function. This will allow your system to power-on to respond to calls coming through an external or internal modem.

### Resume by RTC Alarm

When Enabled, the system uses the RTC to generate a wakeup event.

### PC Health Status

This section displays the SIO hardware health monitor.

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**Advanced**

<p>▶ Smart Fan Function Case Open Beep [Disabled]</p> <p>System Hardware Monitor CPU Temperature : +51 C System Temperature : +25 C CPU FAN Speed : 5494 RPM System FAN1 Speed : N/A System FAN2 Speed : N/A VCore : +0.944 V +5.0V : +4.920 V +12V : +12.056V VDIMM : +1.536 V +3.3V : +3.224 V VSB5V : +5.032 V VSB3V : +3.376 V VBAT : +3.296 V</p>	<p>Smart Fan Function</p> <hr/> <p>→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save &amp; Exit ESC: Exit</p>
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### Smart Fan Function

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**Advanced**

<p>Smart Fan Function CPU Smart Fan Control [Automatic] Boundary 1 60 Boundary 2 50 Boundary 3 40 Boundary 4 30 Speed Count 1 100 Speed Count 2 75 Speed Count 3 50 Speed Count 4 40 Speed Count 5 30 System Smart Fan(1) Control [Automatic] Boundary 1 60 Boundary 2 50 Boundary 3 47 Boundary 4 35 Speed Count 1 60 Speed Count 2 60 Speed Count 3 60 Speed Count 4 60 Speed Count 5 60 System Smart Fan(2) Control [Automatic] Boundary 1 60 Boundary 2 50 Boundary 3 47 Boundary 4 35 Speed Count 1 100 Speed Count 2 90 Speed Count 3 80 Speed Count 4 70 Speed Count 5 60</p>	<p>Enable CPU SmartFan</p> <hr/> <p>→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save &amp; Exit ESC: Exit</p>
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**CPU Smart Fan Control**

When this feature is set to Automatic, the CPU's fan speed will rotate according to the CPU's temperature. The higher the temperature, the faster the speed of rotation.

**Boundary 1 to Boundary 4**

The range is from 0-127.

**Speed Count 1 to Speed Count 5**

The range is from 1-100.

**Case Open Beep**

Set this field to Enabled to allow the system to alert you of a chassis intrusion event.

## CPU Configuration

This section is used to configure the CPU. It will also display the detected CPU information.

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Advanced		
CPU Configuration		Enable for Windows XP and Linux (OS optimized for hyper-threading technology) and disabled for other OS (OS not optimized for Hyper-Threading Technology). When disabled only one thread per enabled core is enabled.
Intel (R) Core (TM) i7-3770S CPU @ 3.40GHz		
CPU Signature	306a8	→ ←: Select Screen ↑↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
Microcode Patch	10	
Max CPU Speed	3400 MHz	
Min CPU Speed	1600 MHz	
CPU Speed	3400 MHz	
Processor Cores	4	
Intel HT Technology	Supported	
Intel VT-x Technology	Supported	
Intel SMX Technology	Supported	
64-bit	Supported	
L1 Data Cache	32 kB x 4	
L1 Code Cache	32 kB x 4	
L2 Cache	256 kB x 4	
L3 Cache	8192 kB	
Hyper-threading	[Enabled]	
Active Processor Cores	[All]	
Intel Virtualization Technology	[Disabled]	
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### Active Processor Cores

Number of cores to enable in each processor package.

### Intel Virtualization Technology

When this field is set to Enabled, the VMM can utilize the additional hardware capabilities provided by Vanderpool Technology.

## SATA Configuration

This section is used to configure SATA functions.

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Advanced			
SATA Controller(s)	[Enabled]	Enable or disable SATA device.	
SATA Mode Selection	[IDE]		
Serial ATA Port 0	Empty	→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit	
Software Preserve	Unknown		
Serial ATA Port 1	Empty		
Software Preserve	Unknown		
Serial ATA Port 4	Empty		
Software Preserve	Unknown		
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### SATA Mode

#### *IDE Mode*

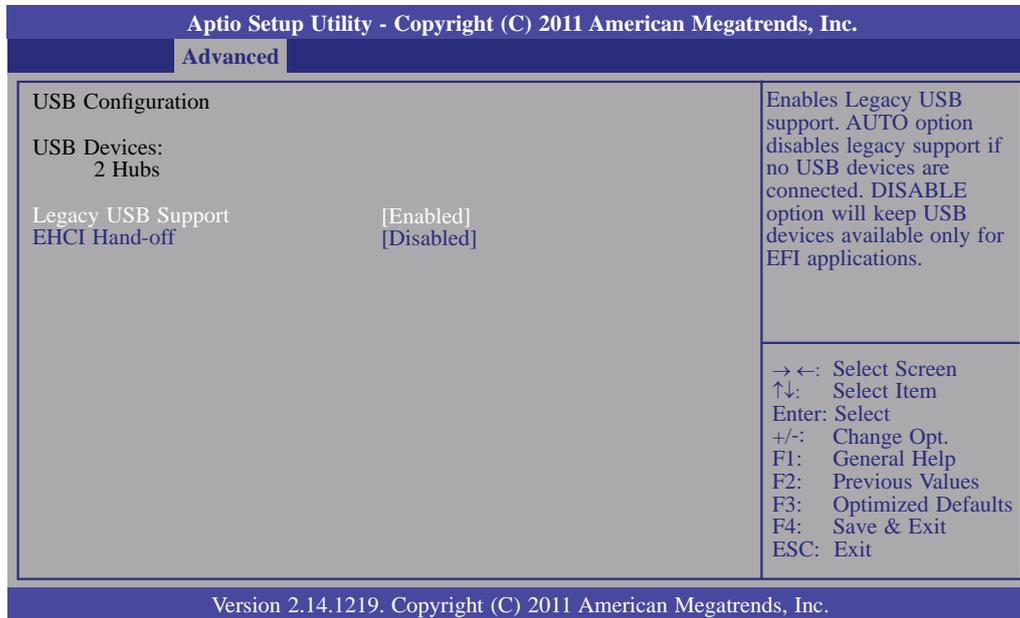
This option configures the Serial ATA drives as Parallel ATA storage devices.

### SATA Mode Selection

Determines how SATA controller(s) operate.

## USB Configuration

This section is used to configure USB.



### Legacy USB Support

#### *Enabled*

Enables legacy USB.

#### *Auto*

Disables support for legacy when no USB devices are connected.

#### *Disabled*

Keeps USB devices available only for EFI applications.

### EHCI Hand-off

This is a workaround for OSES that does not support EHCI hand-off. The EHCI ownership change should be claimed by the EHCI driver.

## F71879 Super IO Configuration

This section is used to configure the I/O functions supported by the onboard Super I/O chip.

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Advanced		
F71879 Super IO Configuration		Restore AC Power Loss help.
F71879 Super IO Chip	F71879	
Restore AC Power Loss	[Power Off]	
WatchDog Timer	[Disabled]	
Super IO WatchDog Timer	10	
▶ Serial Port 1 Configuration		
▶ Serial Port 2 Configuration		
		→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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### Restore AC Power Loss

#### *Off*

When power returns after an AC power failure, the system's power is off. You must press the Power button to power-on the system.

#### *On*

When power returns after an AC power failure, the system will automatically power-on.

#### *Last State*

When power returns after an AC power failure, the system will return to the state where you left off before power failure occurs. If the system's power is off when AC power failure occurs, it will remain off when power returns. If the system's power is on when AC power failure occurs, the system will power-on when power returns.

### WatchDog Timer

This field is used to select the time interval of the Watchdog timer. If the system hangs or fails to function, it will reset at the set time interval so that your system will continue to operate.

### Serial Port 1 Configuration to Serial Port 2 Configuration

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Advanced		
Serial Port 1 Configuration		Enable or Disable Serial Port (COM)
Serial Port Device Settings	[Enabled] IO=3F8h; IRQ=4;	
Change Settings	[Auto]	
		→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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Advanced		
Serial Port 2 Configuration		Enable or Disable Serial Port (COM)
Serial Port Device Settings	[Enabled] IO=2F8h; IRQ=3;	
Change Settings	[Auto]	
		→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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#### Serial Port

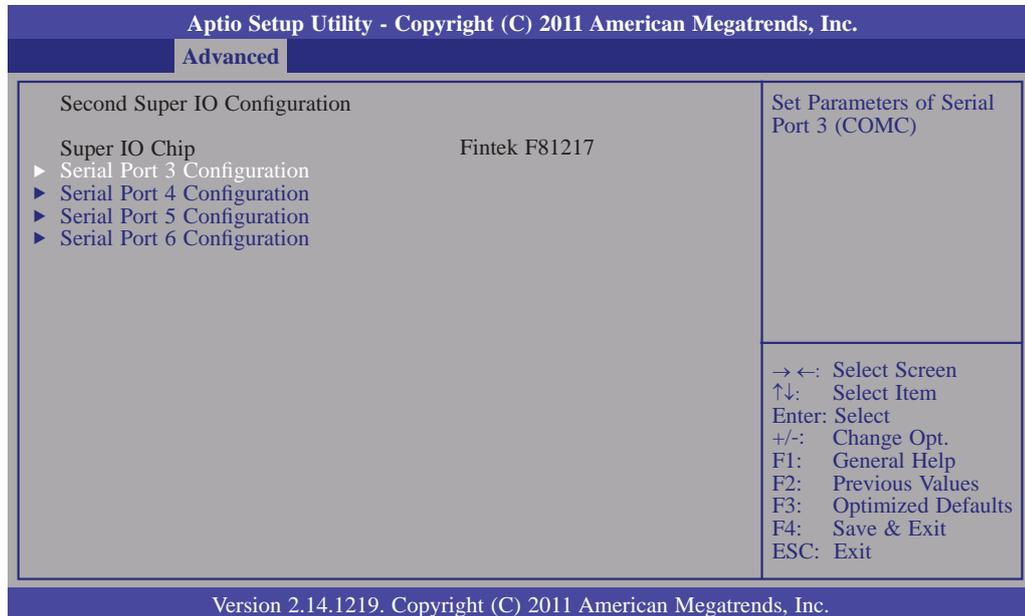
Enables or disables the serial port.

#### Change Settings

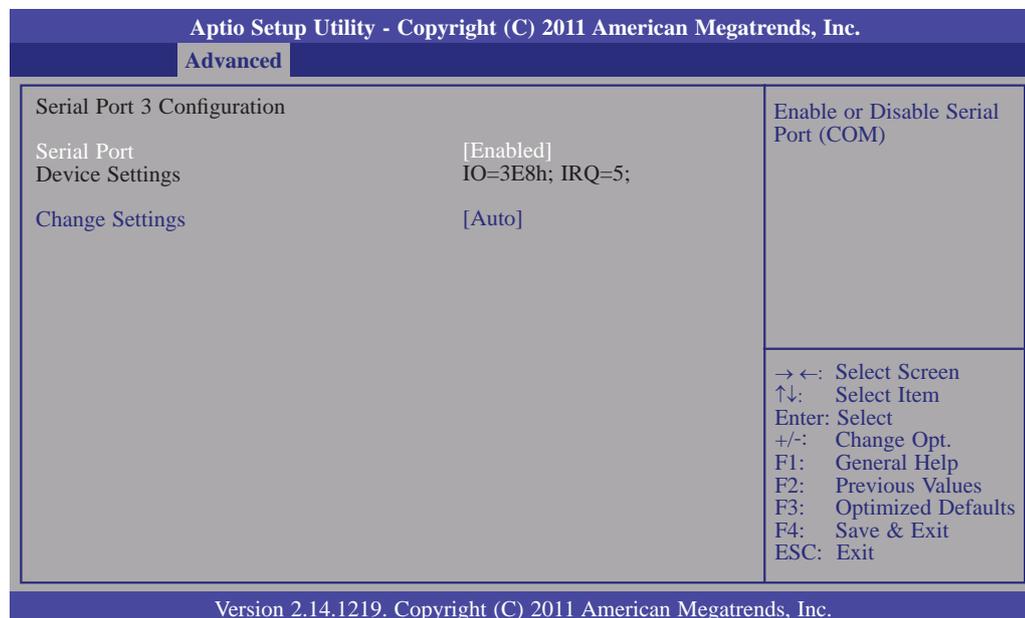
Selects the IO/IRQ setting of the I/O device.

## Second Super IO Configuration

This section is used to configure the serial port functions.



## Serial Port 3 Configuration to Serial Port 6 Configuration



### Serial Port

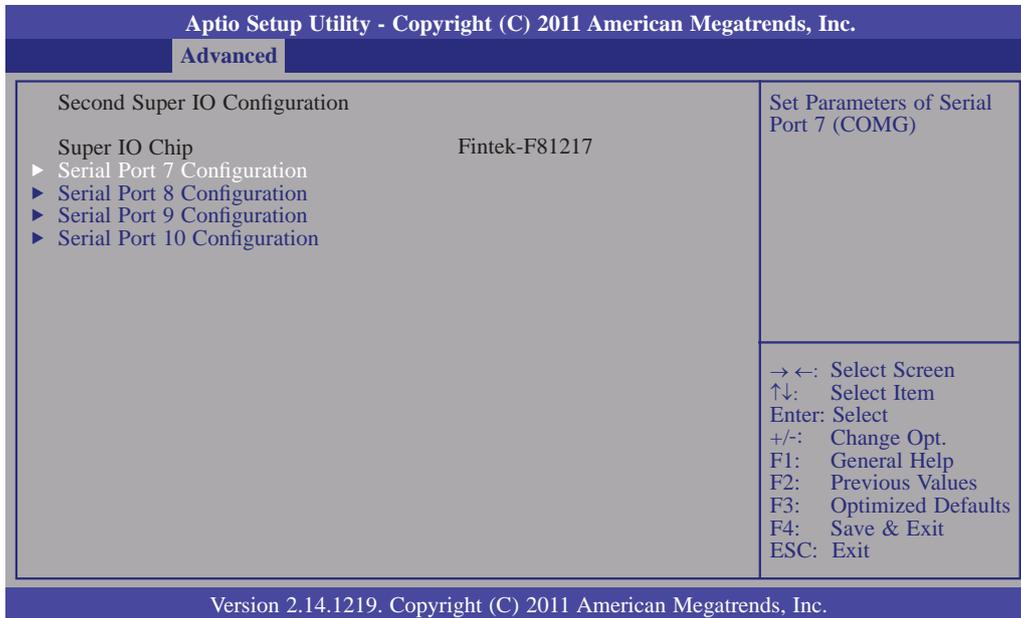
Enables or disables the serial port.

### Change Settings

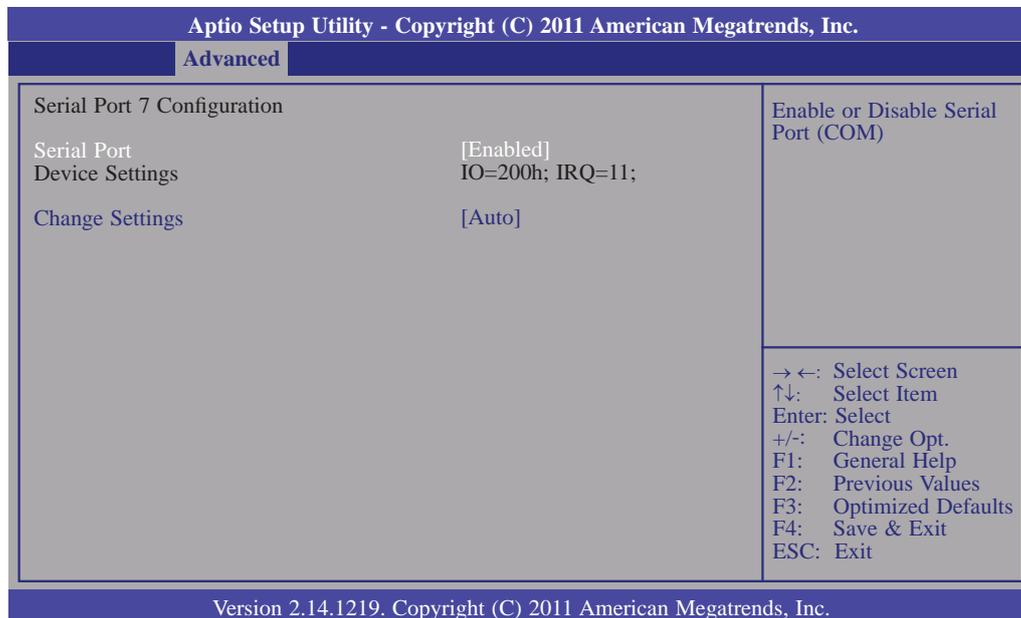
Selects the IO/IRQ setting of the I/O device.

### Third Super IO Configuration

This section is used to configure the serial port functions.



### Serial Port 7 Configuration to Serial Port 10 Configuration



#### Serial Port

Enables or disables the serial port.

#### Change Settings

Selects the IO/IRQ setting of the I/O device.

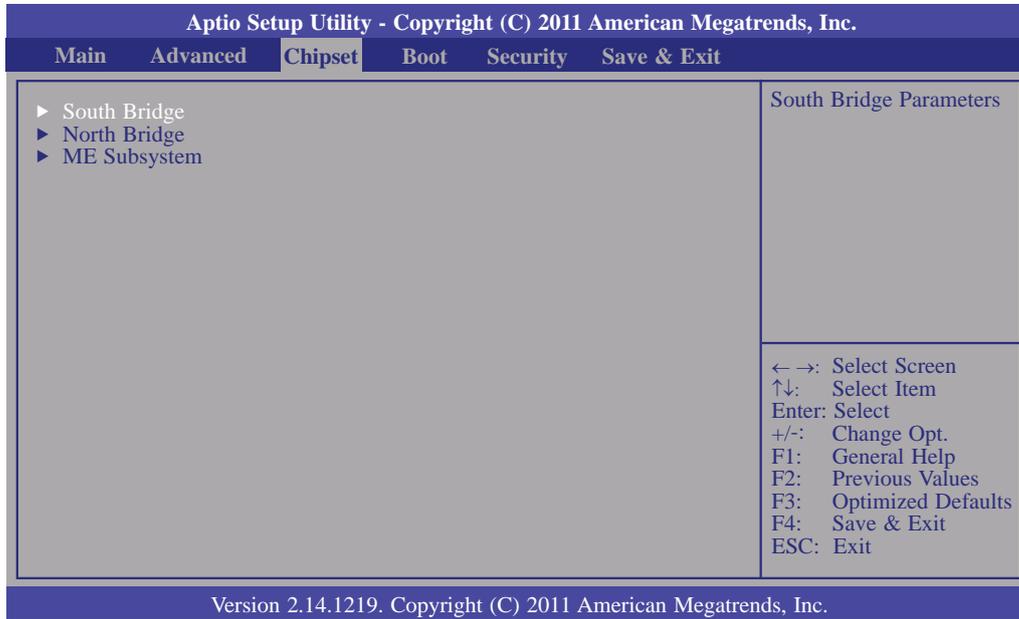
## Network Stack

This section configures settings relevant to the network stack Configuration.

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Advanced		
Network Stack	[Enabled]	Enable or disable UEFI network stack.
		→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults ESC: Exit
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## Chipset

Configures relevant chipset functions.



## South Bridge

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Chipset		
Intel PCH RC Version	1.5.0.0	PCI Express Configuration Settings.
Intel PCH SKU name	H61	
Intel pCH Rev ID	05/B3	
▶ PCI Express Configuration		
▶ USB Configuration		
High Precision Event Timer Configuration		
High Precision Timer	[Enabled]	
		→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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### High Precision Timer

Enables or disables the high precision event timer.

## PCI Express Ports Configuration

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Chipset	
PCI Express Ports Configuration Onboard 8111DL LAN Control [Enabled]	Enable/Disable the onboard LAN.  → ←: Select Screen ↑↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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## USB Configuration

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Chipset	
USB Configuration EHCI 1 [Enabled] EHCI 2 [Enabled] USB Ports Per-Port Disable Control [Disabled]	Control the USB EHCI (USB 2.0) functions. One EHCI controller must always be enabled.  → ←: Select Screen ↑↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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### EHCI Controller 1 and EHCI Controller 2

These fields are used to enable or disable Enhanced Host Controller Interface (USB 2.0).

### USB Ports Per-Port Disable Control

Control each of the USB ports (0~13) disabling.

## North Bridge

Aptio Setup Utility - Copyright (C) 2011 American Megatrends, Inc.		
Chipset		
System Agent Bridge Name	Ivy Bridge	Check to enable VT-d function on MCH
System Agent RC Version	1.5.0.0	
VT-d Capability	Supported	
VT-d	[Enabled]	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Graphics Configuration</li> <li>▶ NB PCIe Configuration</li> <li>▶ Memory Configuration</li> </ul>		
		→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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### VT-d

Check to enable VT-d function on MCH.

## Graphics Configuration

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Chipset		
Graphics Configuration		Select which of IGFX/ PEG/PCI graphics device should be primary display or select SG for switch- able Gfx.
IGFX VBIOS Version	2137	
IGfx Frequency	350 MHz	
Primary Display	[Auto]	→ ←: Select Screen ↑↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
Internal Graphics	[Auto]	
DVMT Pre-Allocated	[64M]	
DVMT Total Gfx Mem	[256M]	
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### Internal Graphics

Keep IGD enabled based on the setup options.

### DVMT Pre-Allocated

Select DVMT 5.0 Pre-Allocated (Fixed) Graphics Memory size used by the internal graphics device.

### DVMT Total Gfx Memory

Select DVMT 5.0 Total Graphics Memory size used by the internal graphics device.

## NB PCIe Configuration

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Chipset		
NB PCIe Configuration		Configure PEG B0:D1:F0. Gen1-Gen3
PEG	Not Present [Gen1]	
PEG - Gen x		
Enable PEG	[Auto]	
		→ ←: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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### Enable PEG

To enable or disable the PEG.

## Memory Configuration

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**Chipset**

Memory Information		
Memory RC Version	1.5.0.0	
Memory Frequency	1333 Mhz	
Total Memory	2048 MB (DDR3)	
DIMM#1	Not Present	
DIMM#2	2048 MB (DDR3)	
CAS Latency (tCL)	9	
Minimum delay time		
CAS to RAS (tRCDmin)	9	
ROW Precharge (tRPmin)	9	
Active to Precharge (tRASmin)	24	
XMP Profile 1	Not Supported	
XMP Profile 2	Not Supported	

→ ←: Select Screen  
 ↑ ↓: Select Item  
 Enter: Select  
 +/-: Change Opt.  
 F1: General Help  
 F2: Previous Values  
 F3: Optimized Defaults  
 F4: Save & Exit  
 ESC: Exit

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## ME Subsystem

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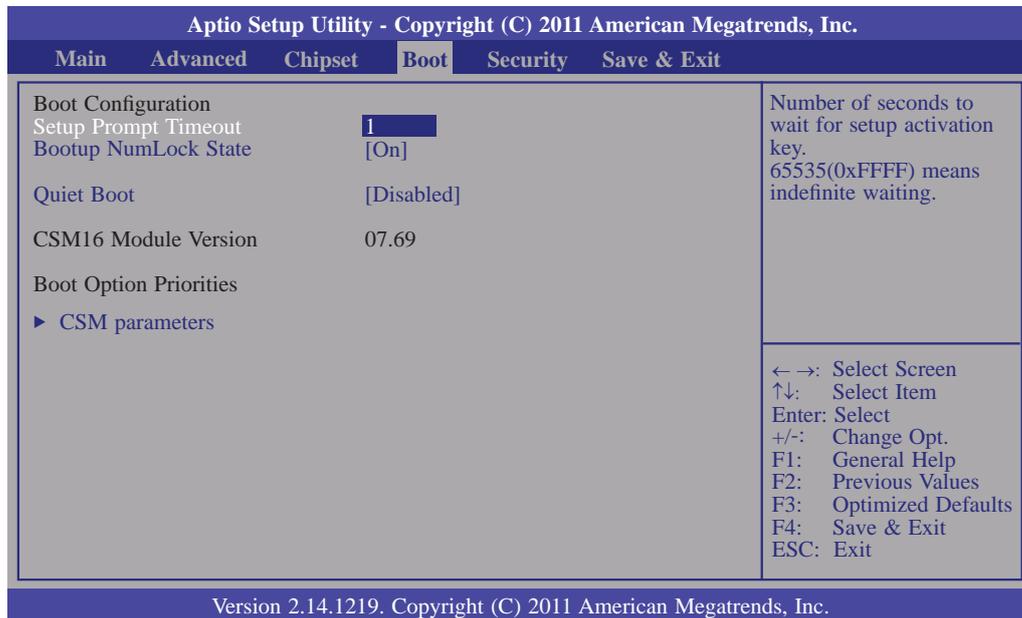
Chipset

Intel ME Subsystem Configuration	
ME FW Version	8.0.4.1441

→ ←: Select Screen  
↑↓: Select Item  
Enter: Select  
+/-: Change Opt.  
F1: General Help  
F2: Previous Values  
F3: Optimized Defaults  
F4: Save & Exit  
ESC: Exit

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## Boot



### Setup Prompt Timeout

Selects the number of seconds to wait for the setup activation key. 65535(0xFFFF) denotes indefinite waiting.

### Bootup NumLock State

This allows you to determine the default state of the numeric keypad. By default, the system boots up with NumLock on wherein the function of the numeric keypad is the number keys. When set to Off, the function of the numeric keypad is the arrow keys.

### Quiet Boot

Enables or disables the quiet boot function.

## CSM Parameters

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Boot		
Launch CSM	[Enabled]	This option controls if CSM will be launched.
Boot option filter	[UEFI and Legacy]	
Launch PXE OpROM policy	[Do not launch]	
Launch Storage OpROM policy	[Legacy only]	
Other PCI device ROM priority	[Legacy OpROM]	
		← →: Select Screen ↑ ↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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### Boot option filter

This option controls what devices system can boot to.

### Launch PXE OpROM policy

Controls the execution of UEFI and Legacy PXE OpROM.

### Launch Storage OpROM policy

Controls the execution of UEFI and Legacy Storage OpROM.

### Other PCI device ROM priority

For PCI devices other than Network, Mass storage or video defines which OpROM to launch.

## Security

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Main	Advanced	Chipset	Boot	Security	Save & Exit
Password Description If ONLY the Administrator's password is set, then this only limits access to Setup and is only asked for when entering Setup. If ONLY the User's password is set, then this is a power on password and must be entered to boot or enter Setup. In Setup the User will have Administrator rights. The password length must be in the following range: Minimum length                    3 Maximum length                    20				Set Setup Administrator Password	
Administrator Password User Password  UEFI Secure Boot Management				→ ←: Select Screen ↑↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit	
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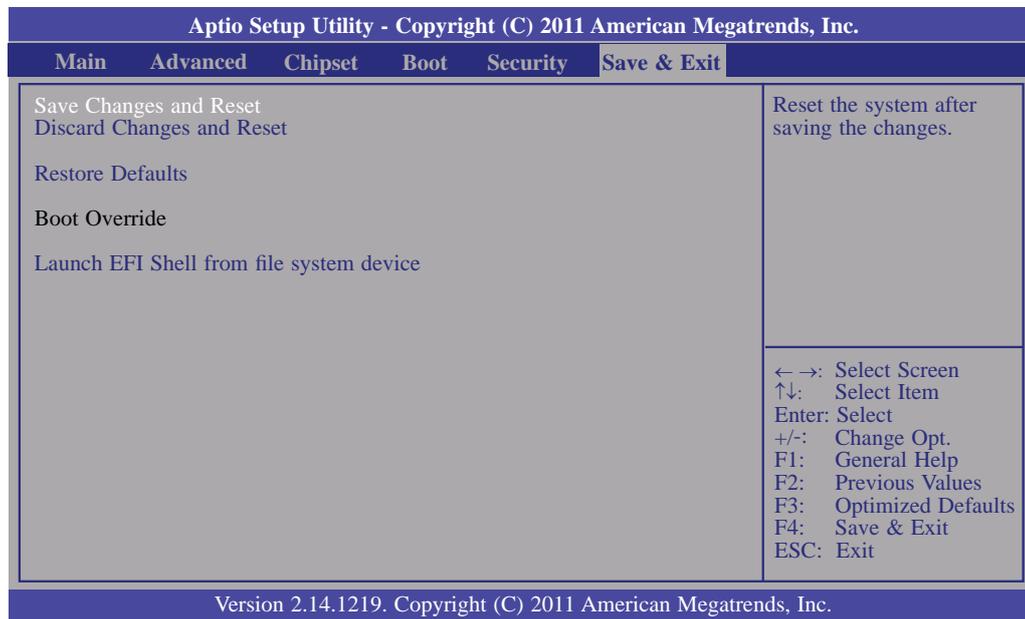
### Administrator Password

Sets the administrator password.

### User Password

Sets the user password.

## Save & Exit



### Save Changes and Reset

To save the changes, select this field and then press <Enter>. A dialog box will appear. Select Yes to reset the system after saving all changes made.

### Discard Changes and Reset

To discard the changes, select this field and then press <Enter>. A dialog box will appear. Select Yes to reset the system setup without saving any changes.

### Restore Defaults

To restore and load the optimized default values, select this field and then press <Enter>. A dialog box will appear. Select Yes to restore the default values of all the setup options.

### Launch EFI Shell from file system device

Attempts to launch EFI shell application (Shellx64.efi) from one of the available filesystem devices.

## Updating the BIOS

To update the BIOS, you will need the new BIOS file and a flash utility, AFUDOS.EXE. Please contact technical support or your sales representative for the files.

To execute the utility, type:

```
A: > AFUDOS BIOS_File_Name /b /p /n
```

then press <Enter>.

```
C:\AFU\AFUDOS>afudos filename /B /P /N
+-----+
|               AMI Firmware Update Utility(APTIO) v2.25               |
|               Copyright (C)2008 American Megatrends Inc. All Rights Reserved.               |
+-----+
Reading file ..... done
Erasing flash ..... done
Writing flash ..... done
Verifying flash ..... done
Erasing BootBlock ..... done
Writing BootBlock ..... done
Verifying BootBlock ..... done

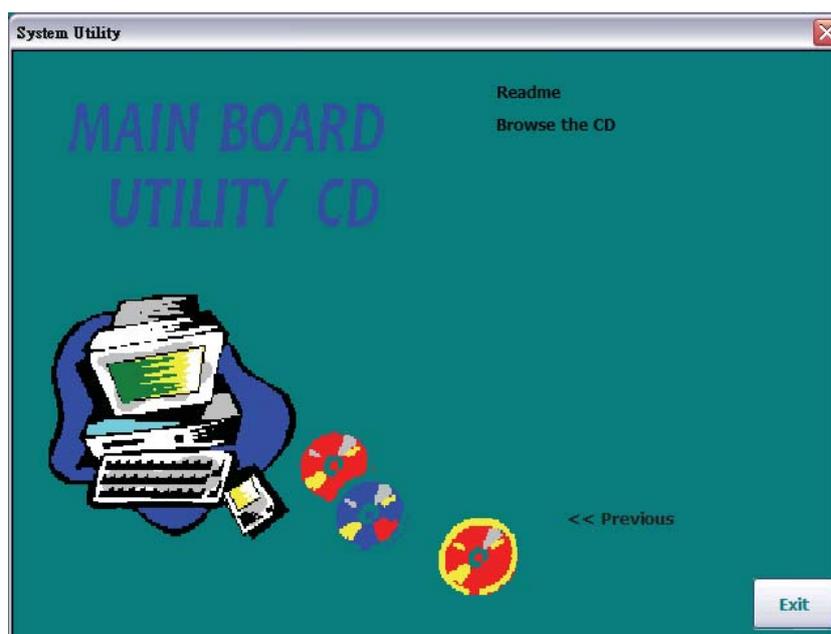
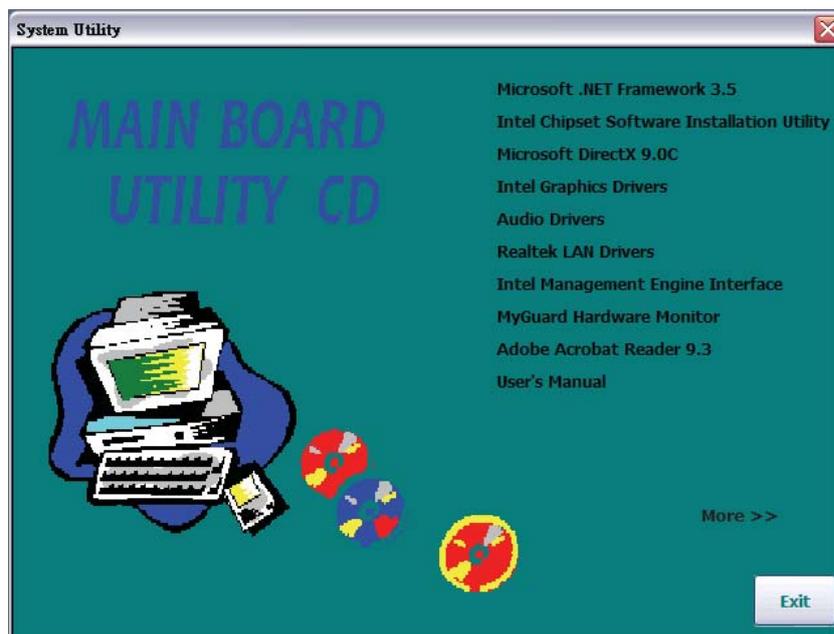
C:\AFU\AFUDOS>
```

## Chapter 4 - Supported Software

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The CD that came with the system board contains drivers, utilities and software applications required to enhance the performance of the system board.

Insert the CD into a CD-ROM drive. The autorun screen (Mainboard Utility CD) will appear. If after inserting the CD, "Autorun" did not automatically start (which is, the Mainboard Utility CD screen did not appear), please go directly to the root directory of the CD and double-click "Setup".



## Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5 (for Windows XP only)

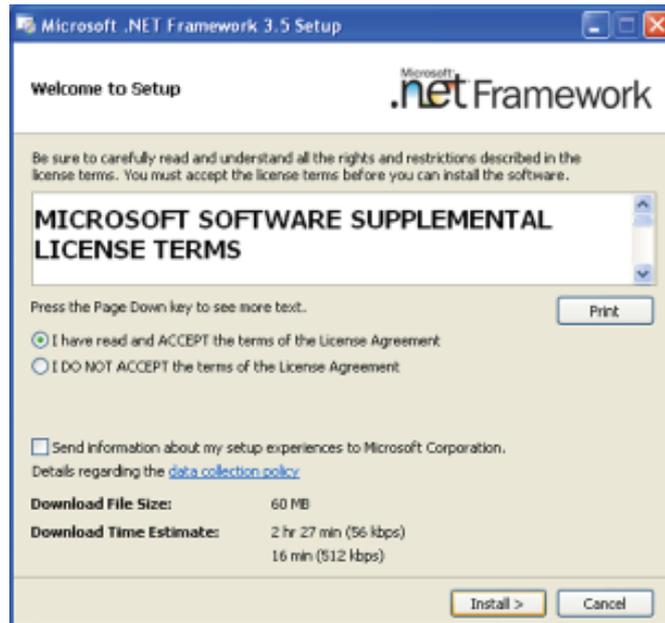
**Note:**

Before installing Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5, make sure you have updated your Windows XP operating system to Service Pack 3.

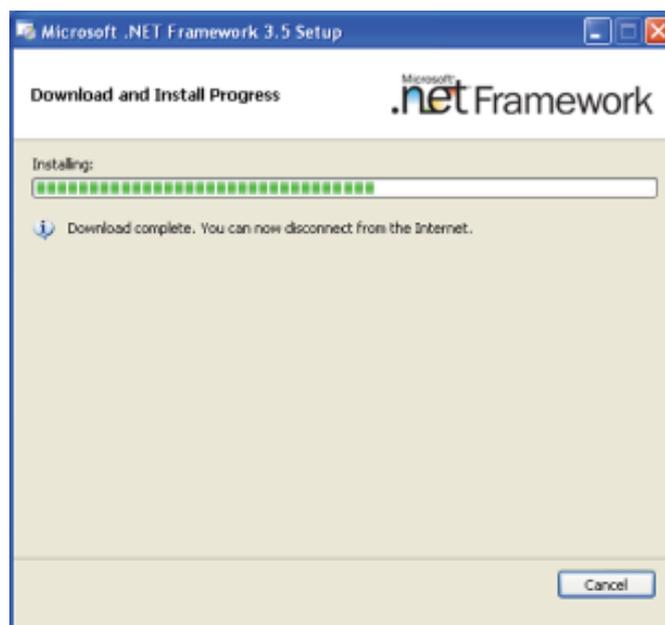
To install the driver, click "Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5" on the main menu.

1. Read the license agreement carefully.

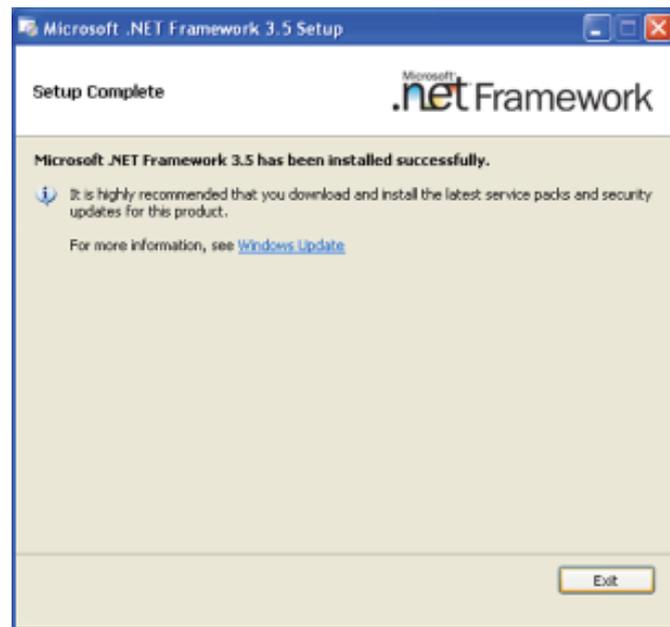
Click "I have read and accept the terms of the License Agreement" then click Install.



2. Setup is now installing the driver.



3. Click Exit.



## Intel Chipset Software Installation Utility

The Intel Chipset Software Installation Utility is used for updating Windows® INF files so that the Intel chipset can be recognized and configured properly in the system.

To install the utility, click “Intel Chipset Software Installation Utility” on the main menu.

1. Setup is now ready to install the utility. Click Next.



2. Read the license agreement then click Yes.



- Go through the readme document for system requirements and installation tips then click Next.



- Setup is now installing the driver. Click Next to continue.



- Click "Yes, I want to restart this computer now" then click Finish.

Restarting the system will allow the new software installation to take effect.



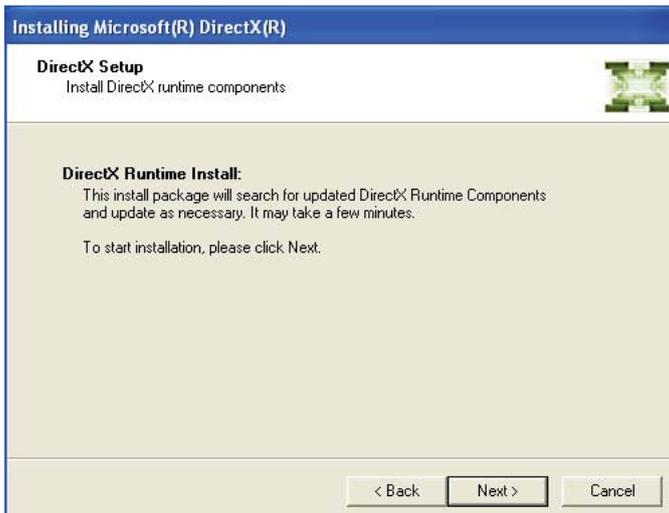
## Microsoft DirectX 9.0C Driver (for Windows XP)

To install the utility, click "Microsoft DirectX 9.0C Driver" on the main menu.

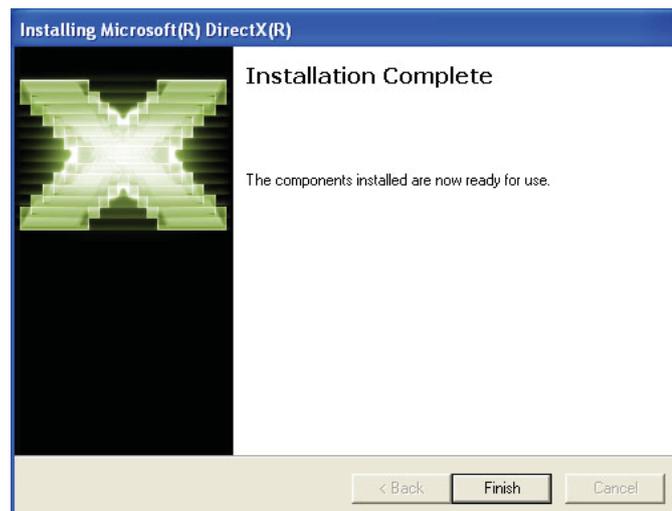
1. Click "I accept the agreement" then click Next.



2. To start installation, click Next.



3. Click Finish. Reboot the system for DirectX to take effect.



## Intel Graphics Drivers (for Windows Vista)

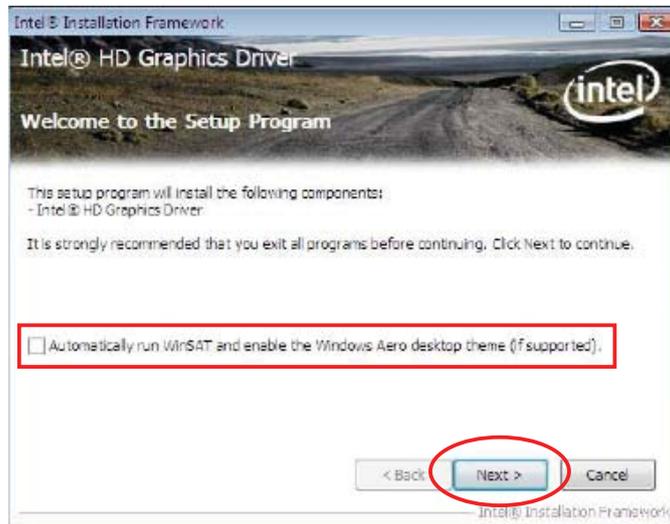
To install the driver, click “Intel Graphics Drivers” on the main menu.

1. Setup is now ready to install the graphics driver. Click Next.



By default, the “Automatically run WinSAT and enable the Windows Aero desktop theme” is enabled. With this enabled, after installing the graphics driver and the system rebooted, the screen will turn blank for 1 to 2 minutes (while WinSAT is running) before the Windows Vista desktop appears. The “blank screen” period is the time Windows is testing the graphics performance.

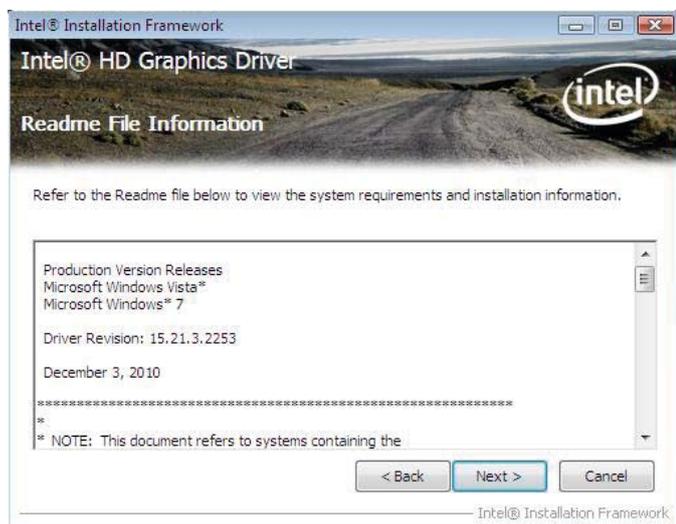
We recommend that you skip this process by disabling this function then click Next.



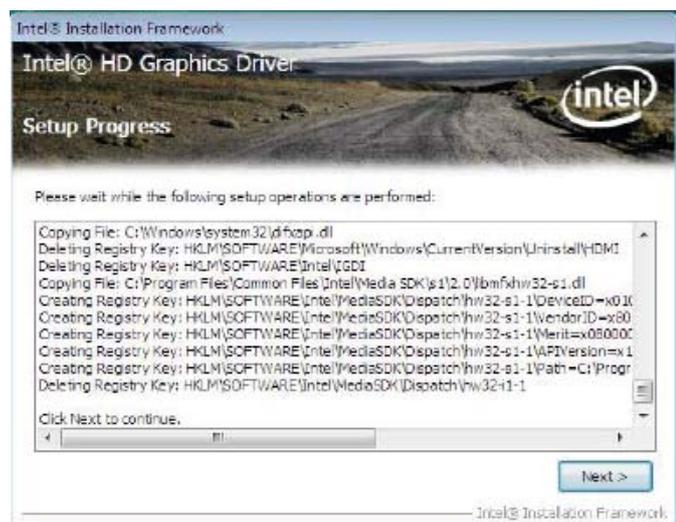
2. Read the license agreement then click Yes.



3. Go through the readme document for system requirements and installation tips then click Next.

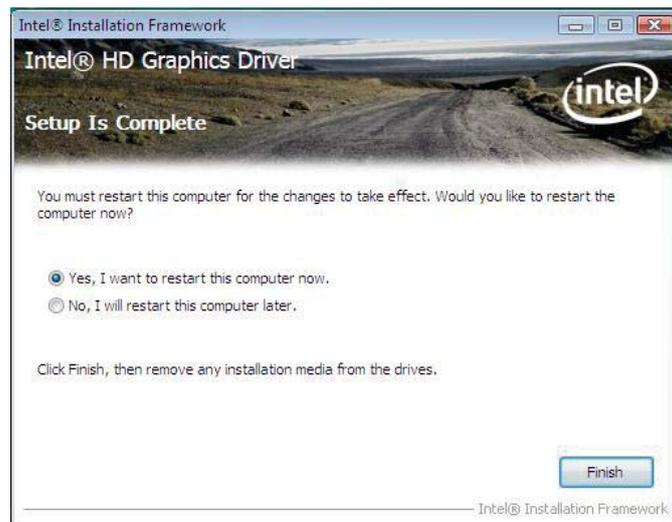


4. Setup is currently installing the driver. After installation has completed, click Next.



5. Click “Yes, I want to restart this computer now” then click Finish.

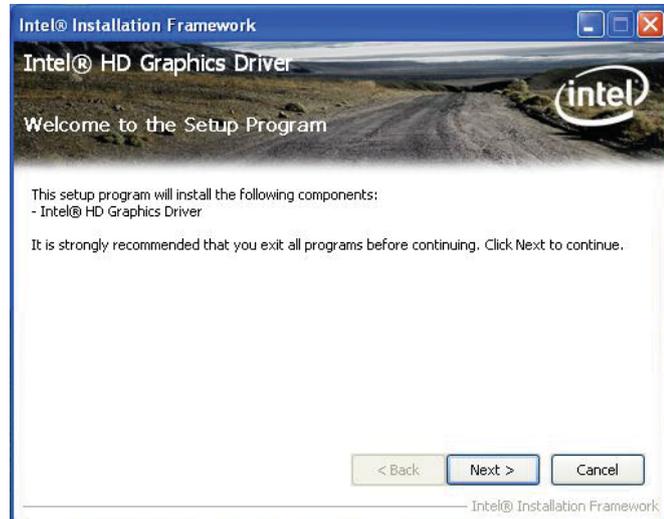
Restarting the system will allow the new software installation to take effect.



## Intel Graphics Drivers (for Windows XP)

To install the driver, click “Intel Graphics Drivers” on the main menu.

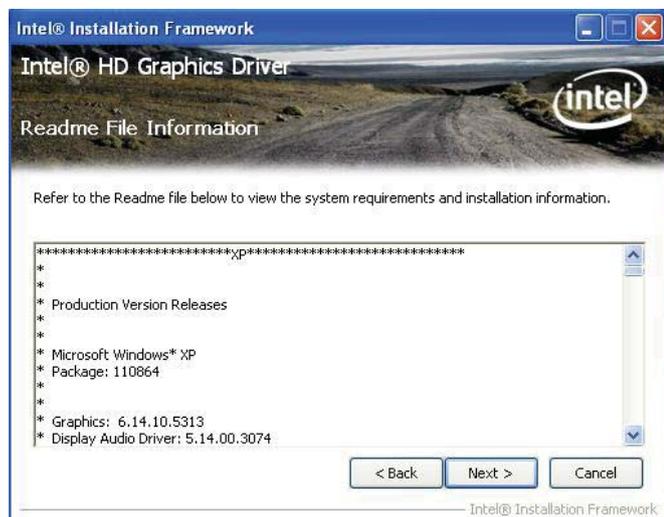
1. Setup is ready to install the graphics driver. Click Next.



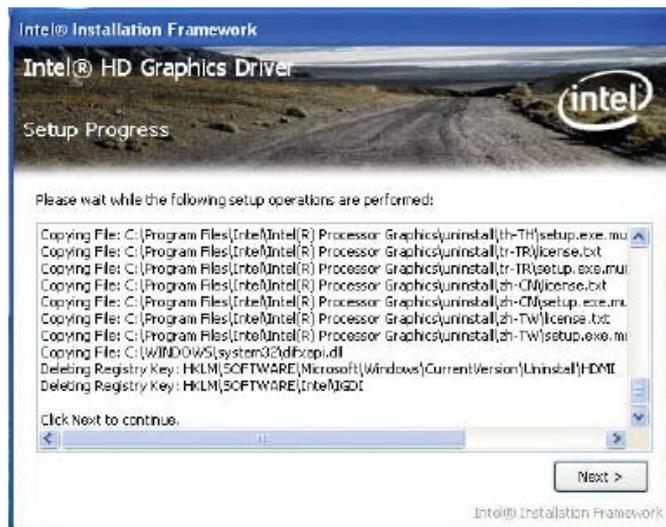
2. Read the license agreement then click Yes.



3. Go through the readme document for more installation tips then click Next.



4. Setup is currently installing the driver. After installation has completed, click Next.



5. Click "Yes, I want to restart this computer now." then click Finish.

Restarting the system will allow the new software installation to take effect.



## Audio Drivers

To install the driver, click “Audio Drivers” on the main menu.

1. Setup is now ready to install the audio driver. Click Next.
2. Follow the remainder of the steps on the screen; clicking “Next” each time you finish a step.



3. Click “Yes, I want to restart my computer now” then click Finish.

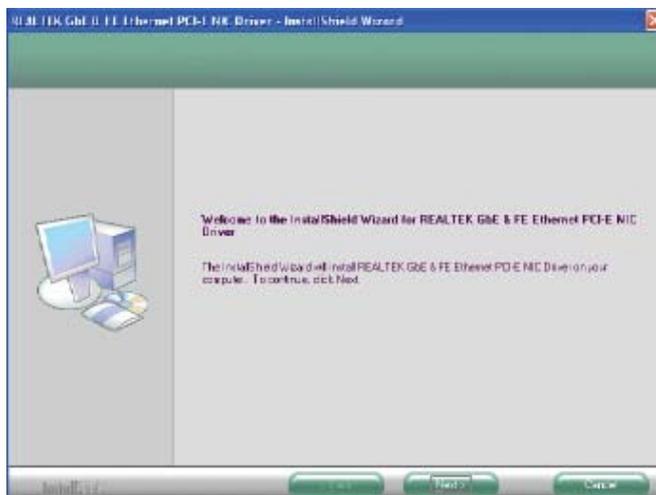
Restarting the system will allow the new software installation to take effect.



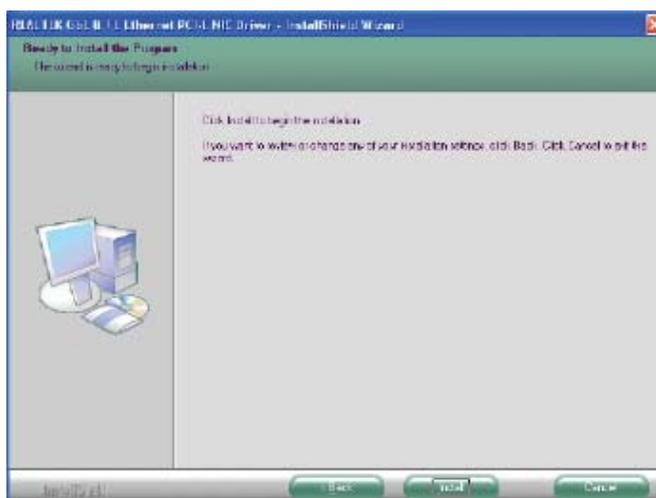
## Realtek LAN Drivers

To install the driver, click “Realtek LAN Drivers” on the main menu.

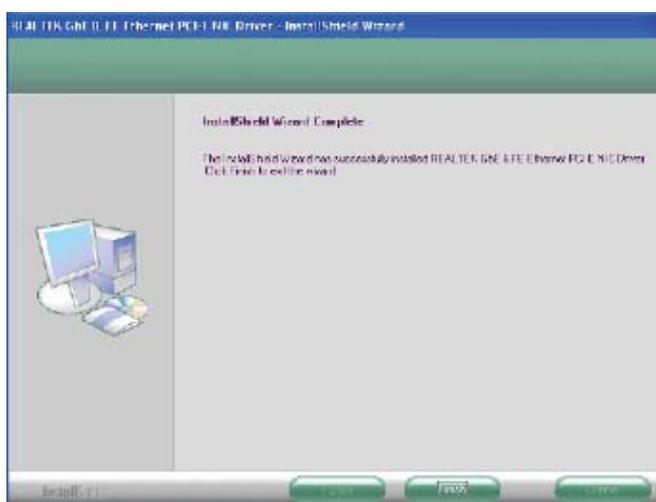
1. Setup is ready to install the driver. Click Next.



2. Click Install to begin the installation.



3. After completing installation, click Finish.



## Intel Management Engine Interface

To install the driver, click “Intel Management Engine Interface” on the main menu.

1. Setup is ready to install the driver. Click Next.



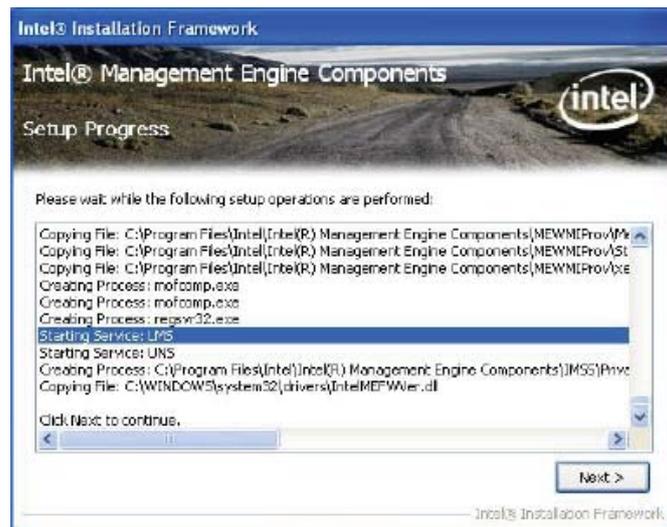
2. Read the license agreement then click Yes.



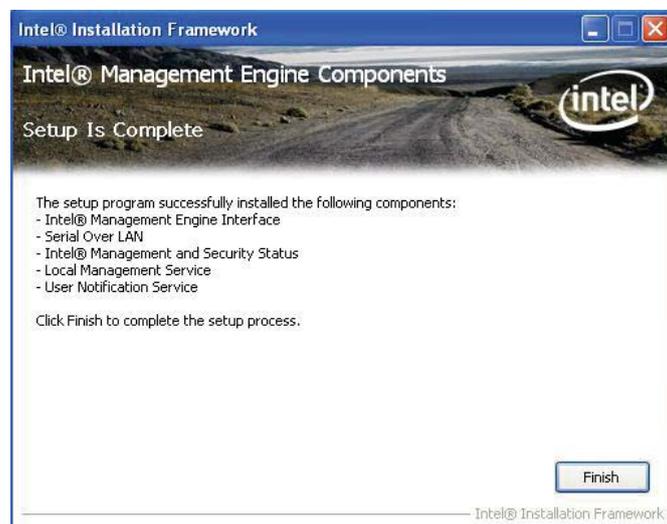
3. Go through the readme document for more installation tips then click Next.



4. Setup is currently installing the driver. After installation has completed, click Next.



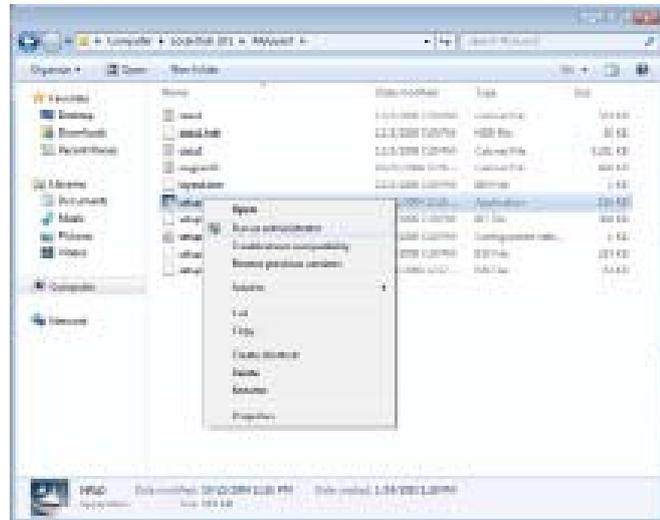
5. After completing installation, click Finish.



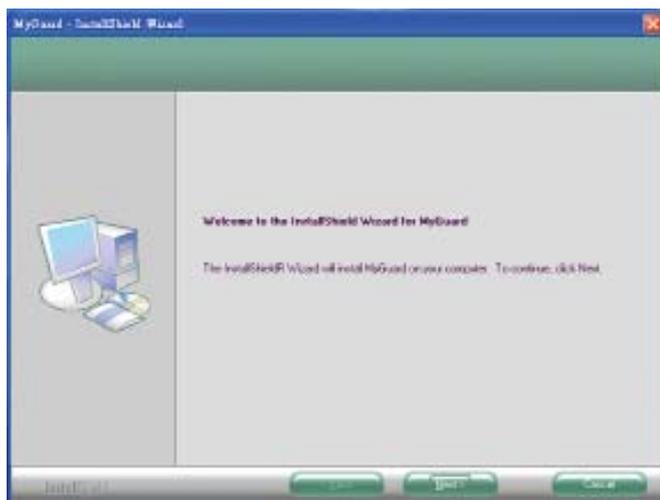
## MyGuard Hardware Monitor

1. Locate for the MyGuard folder in the provided disc.
2. In the MyGuard folder, right-click on the "setup" file.
3. Select Run As Administrator.
4. Double-click Setup.

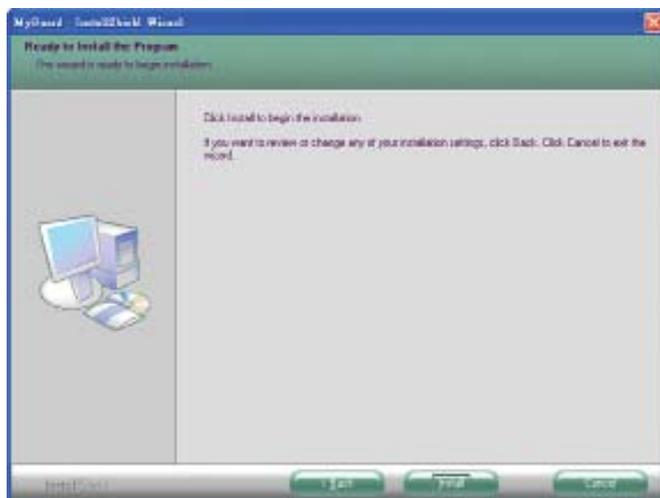
**Important:**  
Perform steps 1-3 only when using Windows 7 or Windows Vista.



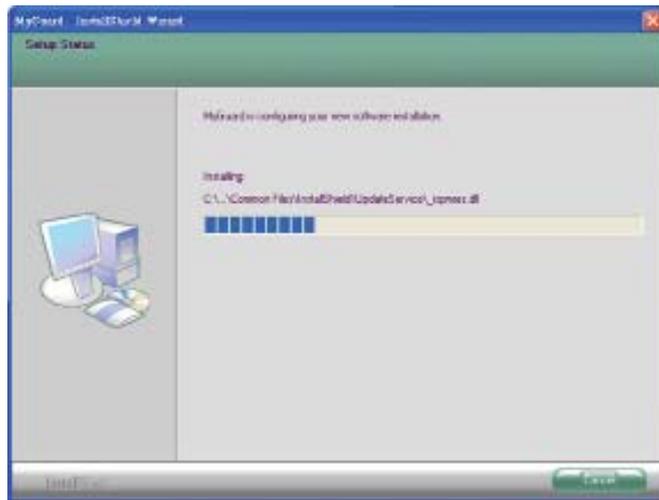
5. Setup is ready to install the utility. Click Next.



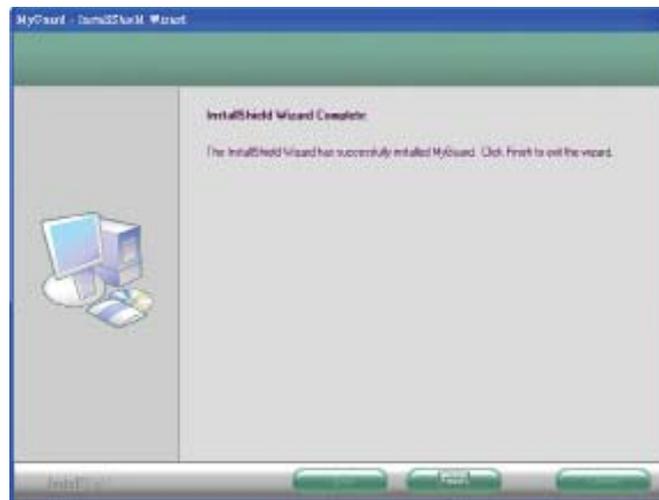
6. Click Install to begin installation.



7. Setup is currently installing the utility.



8. After completing installation, click Finish to exit setup.



## Adobe Acrobat Reader 9.3

To install the reader, click "Adobe Acrobat Reader 9.3" on the main menu.

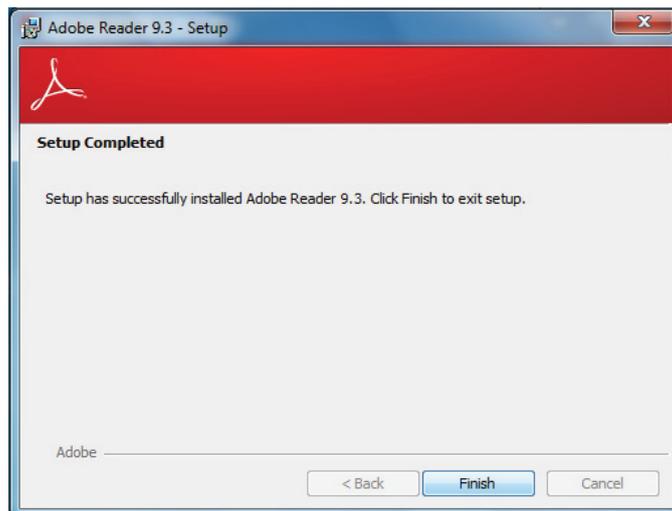
1. Click Next to install or click Change Destination Folder to select another folder.



2. Click Install to begin installation.



3. Click Finish to exit installation.



## Appendix A - Watchdog Sample Code

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; Software programming example:

```
-----  
; (1) Enter Super IO Configuration mode  
-----  
MOV     DX,2EH  
MOV     AL,87H  
OUT     DX,AL  
OUT     DX,AL  
  
-----  
; (2) Configuration Logical Device 7, register CRF5/CRF6 (WDT Control /WDT  
timer)  
-----  
MOV     DX,2EH  
MOV     AL,07H           ; Ready to Program Logical Device  
OUT     DX,AL  
  
MOV     DX,2FH  
MOV     AL,07H           ; Select Logical Device 7  
OUT     DX,AL  
  
MOV     DX,2EH  
MOV     AL, F6H           ; Select watchdog timer register  
OUT     DX,AL  
  
MOV     DX,2FH  
MOV     AL,10H           ; Set watchdog timer value  
OUT     DX,AL  
  
MOV     DX,2EH  
MOV     AL, F5H           ; Select watchdog Control Register  
OUT     DX,AL  
  
MOV     DX,2FH  
MOV     AL,61H           ; Set Watchdog Control Value  
OUT     DX,AL  
  
-----  
; (1) Exit extended function mode  
-----  
MOV     DX,2EH  
MOV     AL,AAH  
OUT     DX,AL
```

## Appendix B - System Error Message

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When the BIOS encounters an error that requires the user to correct something, either a beep code will sound or a message will be displayed in a box in the middle of the screen and the message, PRESS F1 TO CONTINUE, CTRL-ALT-ESC or DEL TO ENTER SETUP, will be shown in the information box at the bottom. Enter Setup to correct the error.

### Error Messages

One or more of the following messages may be displayed if the BIOS detects an error during the POST. This list indicates the error messages for all Awards BIOSes:

#### CMOS BATTERY HAS FAILED

The CMOS battery is no longer functional. It should be replaced.



#### **Important**

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

#### CMOS CHECKSUM ERROR

Checksum of CMOS is incorrect. This can indicate that CMOS has become corrupt. This error may have been caused by a weak battery. Check the battery and replace if necessary.

#### DISPLAY SWITCH IS SET INCORRECTLY

The display switch on the motherboard can be set to either monochrome or color. This indicates the switch is set to a different setting than indicated in Setup. Determine which setting is correct, either turn off the system and change the jumper or enter Setup and change the VIDEO selection.

#### FLOPPY DISK(S) fail (80)

Unable to reset floppy subsystem.

#### FLOPPY DISK(S) fail (40)

Floppy type mismatch.

#### Hard Disk(s) fail (80)

HDD reset failed.

#### Hard Disk(s) fail (40)

HDD controller diagnostics failed.

### Hard Disk(s) fail (20)

HDD initialization error.

### Hard Disk(s) fail (10)

Unable to recalibrate fixed disk.

### Hard Disk(s) fail (08)

Sector Verify failed.

### Keyboard is locked out - Unlock the key

The BIOS detects that the keyboard is locked. Keyboard controller is pulled low.

### Keyboard error or no keyboard present

Cannot initialize the keyboard. Make sure the keyboard is attached correctly and no keys are being pressed during the boot.

### Manufacturing POST loop

System will repeat POST procedure infinitely while the keyboard controller is pull low. This is also used for the M/B burn in test at the factory.

### BIOS ROM checksum error - System halted

The checksum of ROM address F0000H-FFFFFFH is bad.

### Memory test fail

The BIOS reports memory test fail if the memory has error(s).

## Appendix C - Troubleshooting

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### Troubleshooting Checklist

This chapter of the manual is designed to help you with problems that you may encounter with your personal computer. To efficiently troubleshoot your system, treat each problem individually. This is to ensure an accurate diagnosis of the problem in case a problem has multiple causes.

Some of the most common things to check when you encounter problems while using your system are listed below.

1. The power switch of each peripheral device is turned on.
2. All cables and power cords are tightly connected.
3. The electrical outlet to which your peripheral devices are connected is working. Test the outlet by plugging in a lamp or other electrical device.
4. The monitor is turned on.
5. The display's brightness and contrast controls are adjusted properly.
6. All add-in boards in the expansion slots are seated securely.
7. Any add-in board you have installed is designed for your system and is set up correctly.

### Monitor/Display

**If the display screen remains dark after the system is turned on:**

1. Make sure that the monitor's power switch is on.
2. Check that one end of the monitor's power cord is properly attached to the monitor and the other end is plugged into a working AC outlet. If necessary, try another outlet.
3. Check that the video input cable is properly attached to the monitor and the system's display adapter.
4. Adjust the brightness of the display by turning the monitor's brightness control knob.

### The picture seems to be constantly moving.

1. The monitor has lost its vertical sync. Adjust the monitor's vertical sync.
2. Move away any objects, such as another monitor or fan, that may be creating a magnetic field around the display.
3. Make sure your video card's output frequencies are supported by this monitor.

### The screen seems to be constantly wavering.

1. If the monitor is close to another monitor, the adjacent monitor may need to be turned off. Fluorescent lights adjacent to the monitor may also cause screen wavering.

## Power Supply

### When the computer is turned on, nothing happens.

1. Check that one end of the AC power cord is plugged into a live outlet and the other end properly plugged into the back of the system.
2. Make sure that the voltage selection switch on the back panel is set for the correct type of voltage you are using.
3. The power cord may have a "short" or "open". Inspect the cord and install a new one if necessary.

## Floppy Drive

### The computer cannot access the floppy drive.

1. The floppy diskette may not be formatted. Format the diskette and try again.
2. The diskette may be write-protected. Use a diskette that is not write-protected.
3. You may be writing to the wrong drive. Check the path statement to make sure you are writing to the targeted drive.
4. There is not enough space left on the diskette. Use another diskette with adequate storage space.

## Hard Drive

### Hard disk failure.

1. Make sure the correct drive type for the hard disk drive has been entered in the BIOS.
2. If the system is configured with two hard drives, make sure the bootable (first) hard drive is configured as Master and the second hard drive is configured as Slave. The master hard drive must have an active/bootable partition.

### Excessively long formatting period.

If your hard drive takes an excessively long period of time to format, it is likely a cable connection problem. However, if your hard drive has a large capacity, it will take a longer time to format.

## Serial Port

### The serial device (modem, printer) doesn't output anything or is outputting garbled characters.

1. Make sure that the serial device's power is turned on and that the device is on-line.
2. Verify that the device is plugged into the correct serial port on the rear of the computer.
3. Verify that the attached serial device works by attaching it to a serial port that is working and configured correctly. If the serial device does not work, either the cable or the serial device has a problem. If the serial device works, the problem may be due to the onboard I/O or the address setting.
4. Make sure the COM settings and I/O address are configured correctly.

## Keyboard

### Nothing happens when a key on the keyboard was pressed.

1. Make sure the keyboard is properly connected.
2. Make sure there are no objects resting on the keyboard and that no keys are pressed during the booting process.

## System Board

1. Make sure the add-in card is seated securely in the expansion slot. If the add-in card is loose, power off the system, re-install the card and power up the system.
2. Check the jumper settings to ensure that the jumpers are properly set.
3. Verify that all memory modules are seated securely into the memory sockets.
4. Make sure the memory modules are in the correct locations.
5. If the board fails to function, place the board on a flat surface and seat all socketed components. Gently press each component into the socket.
6. If you made changes to the BIOS settings, re-enter setup and load the BIOS defaults.