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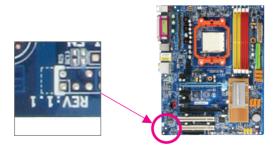
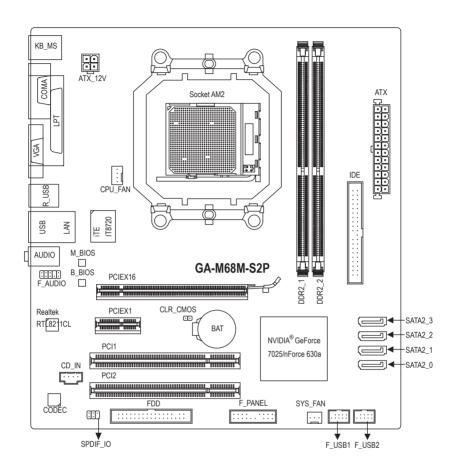


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GA-M68M-S2P Motherboard Layout



Box Contents

- GA-M68M-S2P motherboard
- ☑ Motherboard driver disk

✓ User's Manual

- ✓ One IDE cable
- ✓ One SATA cable
- ☑ I/O Shield

The box contents above are for reference only and the actual items shall depend on the product package you obtain. The box contents are subject to change without notice.

Chapter 1 Hardware Installation

1-1 Installation Precautions

The motherboard contains numerous delicate electronic circuits and components which can become damaged as a result of electrostatic discharge (ESD). Prior to installation, carefully read the user's manual and follow these procedures:

- Prior to installation, do not remove or break motherboard S/N (Serial Number) sticker or warranty sticker provided by your dealer. These stickers are required for warranty validation.
- Always remove the AC power by unplugging the power cord from the power outlet before installing or removing the motherboard or other hardware components.
- When connecting hardware components to the internal connectors on the motherboard, make sure they are connected tightly and securely.
- When handling the motherboard, avoid touching any metal leads or connectors.
- It is best to wear an electrostatic discharge (ESD) wrist strap when handling electronic components such as a motherboard, CPU or memory. If you do not have an ESD wrist strap, keep your hands dry and first touch a metal object to eliminate static electricity.
- Prior to installing the motherboard, please have it on top of an antistatic pad or within an
 electrostatic shielding container.
- Before unplugging the power supply cable from the motherboard, make sure the power supply has been turned off.
- Before turning on the power, make sure the power supply voltage has been set according to the local voltage standard.
- Before using the product, please verify that all cables and power connectors of your hardware components are connected.
- To prevent damage to the motherboard, do not allow screws to come in contact with the motherboard circuit or its components.
- Make sure there are no leftover screws or metal components placed on the motherboard or within the computer casing.
- · Do not place the computer system on an uneven surface.
- Do not place the computer system in a high-temperature environment.
- Turning on the computer power during the installation process can lead to damage to system components as well as physical harm to the user.
- If you are uncertain about any installation steps or have a problem related to the use of the product, please consult a certified computer technician.

1-2 Product Specifications

Support for AM3/AM2+/AM2 processors: AMD Phenom™ II processor/ AMD Phenom™ processor/ AMD Athlon™ II processor/ AMD Athlon™ processor/ AMD Sempron™ processor (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest CPU support list.)
2000 MT/s
NVIDIA® GeForce 7025/nForce 630a
2 x 1.8V DDR2 DIMM sockets supporting up to 8 GB of system memory (Note 1) Dual channel memory architecture Support for DDR2 1066/800/667/533 MHz memory modules (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest supported memory speeds and memory modules.)
Integrated in the Chipset: - 1 x D-Sub port
Realtek ALC888B codec High Definition Audio 2/4/5.1/7.1-channel (Note 2) Support for S/PDIF In/Out Support for CD In
1 x Realtek RTL8211CL chip (10/100/1000 Mbit)
1 x PCI Express x16 slot, running at x16 1 x PCI Express x1 slot 2 x PCI slots
Chipset: 1 x IDE connector supporting ATA-133/100/66/33 and up to 2 IDE devices 4 x SATA 3Gb/s connectors supporting up to 4 SATA 3Gb/s devices Support for SATA RAID 0, RAID 1, RAID 10, RAID 5, and JBOD iTE IT8720 chip: 1 x floppy disk drive connector supporting up to 1 floppy disk drive
Chipset: - Up to 8 USB 2.0/1.1 ports (4 on the back panel, 4 via the USB brackets connected to the internal USB headers)
1 x 24-pin ATX main power connector 1 x 4-pin ATX 12V power connector 1 x floppy disk drive connector 1 x IDE connector 4 x SATA 3Gb/s connectors 1 x CPU fan header 1 x system fan header 1 x front panel header 1 x front panel audio header

Internal	◆ 1 x CD In connector
Connectors	◆ 1 x S/PDIF In/Out header
	◆ 2 x USB 2.0/1.1 headers
	◆ 1 x clearing CMOS jumper
Back Panel	◆ 1 x PS/2 keyboard port
Connectors	◆ 1 x PS/2 mouse port
	◆ 1 x D-Sub port
	◆ 1 x parallel port
	◆ 1 x serial port
	◆ 4 x USB 2.0/1.1 ports
	◆ 1 x RJ-45 port
	3 x audio jacks (Line In/Line Out/Microphone)
I/O Controller	◆ iTE IT8720 chip
Hardware Monitor	System voltage detection
	CPU/System temperature detection
	CPU/System fan speed detection
	CPU/System overheating warning
	CPU/System fan fail warning
	◆ CPU fan speed control (Note 3)
BIOS	◆ 2 x 8 Mbit flash
	Use of licensed AWARD BIOS
	Support for DualBIOS™
	◆ PnP 1.0a, DMI 2.0, SM BIOS 2.4, ACPI 1.0b
Unique Features	Support for @BIOS
	Support for Q-Flash
	Support for Xpress BIOS Rescue
	Support for Download Center
	Support for Xpress Install
	◆ Support for Xpress Recovery2
	◆ Support for EasyTune (Note 4)
	Support for Auto Green
	Support for ON/OFF Charge
Bundled Software	Norton Internet Security (OEM version)
Operating System	Support for Microsoft® Windows® 7/Vista/XP
Form Factor	Micro ATX Form Factor; 24.4cm x 22.5cm

- (Note 1) Due to Windows 32-bit operating system limitation, when more than 4 GB of physical memory is installed, the actual memory size displayed will be less than 4 GB.
- (Note 2) To configure 7.1-channel audio, you have to use an HD front panel audio module and enable the multi-channel audio feature through the audio driver.
- (Note 3) Whether the CPU fan speed control function is supported will depend on the CPU cooler you install.
- (Note 4) Available functions in EasyTune may differ by motherboard model.

1-3 Installing the CPU and CPU Cooler

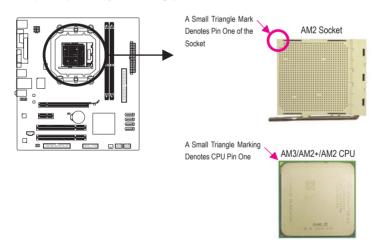


Read the following guidelines before you begin to install the CPU:

- Make sure that the motherboard supports the CPU.
 (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest CPU support list.)
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing the CPU to prevent hardware damage.
- Locate the pin one of the CPU. The CPU cannot be inserted if oriented incorrectly. (Or you may locate the notches on both sides of the CPU and alignment keys on the CPU socket.)
- · Apply an even and thin layer of thermal grease on the surface of the CPU.
- Do not turn on the computer if the CPU cooler is not installed, otherwise overheating and damage of the CPU may occur.
- Set the CPU host frequency in accordance with the CPU specifications. It is not recommended
 that the system bus frequency be set beyond hardware specifications since it does not meet the
 standard requirements for the peripherals. If you wish to set the frequency beyond the standard
 specifications, please do so according to your hardware specifications including the CPU, graphics card, memory, hard drive, etc.

1-3-1 Installing the CPU

Locate the pin one (denoted by a small triangle) of the CPU socket and the CPU.



1-4 Installing the Memory



Read the following guidelines before you begin to install the memory:

- Make sure that the motherboard supports the memory. It is recommended that memory of the same capacity, brand, speed, and chips be used.
 - (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest supported memory speeds and memory modules.)
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing
 the memory to prevent hardware damage.
- Memory modules have a foolproof design. A memory module can be installed in only one direction. If you are unable to insert the memory, switch the direction.

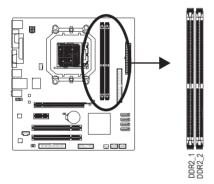
1-4-1 Dual Channel Memory Configuration



This motherboard provides two DDR2 memory sockets and supports Dual Channel Technology.

The two DDR2 memory sockets are divided into two channels as following:

Channel 0: DDR2_1Channel 1: DDR2_2



Due to CPU limitation, read the following quidelines before installing the memory in Dual Channel mode.

- 1. Dual Channel mode cannot be enabled if only one DDR2 memory module is installed.
- When enabling Dual Channel mode with two memory modules, it is recommended that memory of the same capacity, brand, speed, and chips be used.

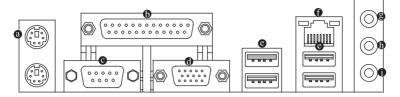
1-5 Installing an Expansion Card



Read the following guidelines before you begin to install an expansion card:

- Make sure the motherboard supports the expansion card. Carefully read the manual that came with your expansion card.
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing an expansion card to prevent hardware damage.

1-6 Back Panel Connectors



PS/2 Keyboard and PS/2 Mouse Port

Use the upper port (green) to connect a PS/2 mouse and the lower port (purple) to connect a PS/2 keyboard.

Parallel Port

Use the parallel port to connect devices such as a printer, scanner and etc. The parallel port is also called a printer port.

Serial Port

Use the serial port to connect devices such as a mouse, modem or other peripherals.

O D-Sub Port

The D-Sub port supports a 15-pin D-Sub connector. Connect a monitor that supports D-Sub connection to this port.

O USB Port

The USB port supports the USB 2.0/1.1 specification. Use this port for USB devices such as a USB key-board/mouse, USB printer, USB flash drive and etc.

RJ-45 LAN Port

The Gigabit Ethernet LAN port provides Internet connection at up to 1 Gbps data rate. The following describes the states of the LAN port LEDs.



Connection/Speed LED:			
State	Description		
Orange	1 Gbps data rate		
Green	100 Mbps data rate		
Off	10 Mbps data rate		

	Activity LED:			
State Description		Description		
	Blinking	Data transmission or receiving is occurring		
	Off	No data transmission or receiving is occurring		

Line In Jack (Blue)

The default line in jack. Use this audio jack for line in devices such as an optical drive, walkman, etc.

• Line Out Jack (Front Speaker Out, Green)

The default line out jack. Use this audio jack for a headphone or 2-channel speaker. This jack can be used to connect front speakers in a 4/5.1-channel audio configuration.

Mic In Jack (Pink)

The default Mic in jack. Microphones must be connected to this jack.

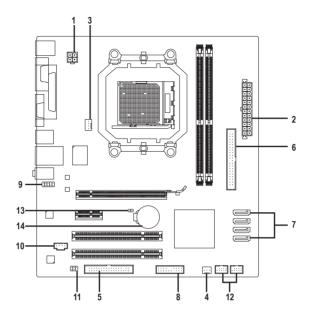


To configure 7.1-channel audio, you have to use an HD front panel audio module and enable the multi-channel audio feature through the audio driver.



- When removing the cable connected to a back panel connector, first remove the cable from your device and then remove it from the motherboard.
- When removing the cable, pull it straight out from the connector. Do not rock it side to side to
 prevent an electrical short inside the cable connector.

1-7 Internal Connectors



1)	ATX_12V	8)	F_PANEL
2)	ATX	9)	F_AUDIO
3)	CPU_FAN	10)	CD_IN
4)	SYS_FAN	11)	SPDIF_IO
5)	FDD	12)	F_USB1/F_USB2
6)	IDE	13)	CLR_CMOS
7)	SATA2_0/1/2/3	14)	BAT



Read the following guidelines before connecting external devices:

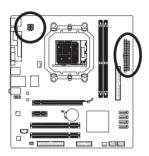
- First make sure your devices are compliant with the connectors you wish to connect.
- Before installing the devices, be sure to turn off the devices and your computer. Unplug the
 power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the devices.
- After installing the device and before turning on the computer, make sure the device cable has been securely attached to the connector on the motherboard.

1/2) ATX 12V/ATX (2x2 12V Power Connector and 2x12 Main Power Connector)

With the use of the power connector, the power supply can supply enough stable power to all the components on the motherboard. Before connecting the power connector, first make sure the power supply is turned off and all devices are properly installed. The power connector possesses a foolproof design. Connect the power supply cable to the power connector in the correct orientation. The 12V power connector mainly supplies power to the CPU. If the 12V power connector is not connected, the computer will not start.

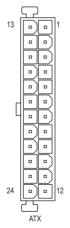


To meet expansion requirements, it is recommended that a power supply that can withstand high power consumption be used (500W or greater). If a power supply is used that does not provide the required power, the result can lead to an unstable or unbootable system.





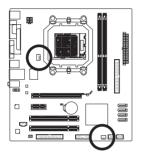
ATX_12V:	
Pin No.	Definition
1	GND
2	GND
3	+12V
1	±12\/



ATX:			
Pin No.	Definition	Pin No.	Definition
1	3.3V	13	3.3V
2	3.3V	14	-12V
3	GND	15	GND
4	+5V	16	PS_ON (soft On/Off)
5	GND	17	GND
6	+5V	18	GND
7	GND	19	GND
8	Power Good	20	-5V
9	5VSB (stand by +5V)	21	+5V
10	+12V	22	+5V
11	+12V (Only for 2x12-pin ATX)	23	+5V (Only for 2x12-pin ATX)
12	3.3V (Only for 2x12-pin ATX)	24	GND (Only for 2x12-pin ATX)

3/4) CPU_FAN/SYS_FAN (Fan Headers)

The motherboard has a 4-pin CPU fan header (CPU_FAN) and a 3-pin (SYS_FAN) system fan headers. Most fan headers possess a foolproof insertion design. When connecting a fan cable, be sure to connect it in the correct orientation (the black connector wire is the ground wire). The motherboard supports CPU fan speed control, which requires the use of a CPU fan with fan speed control design. For optimum heat dissipation, it is recommended that a system fan be installed inside the chassis.







 CPU_FAN:

 Pin No.
 Definition

 1
 GND

 2
 +12V / Speed Control

 3
 Sense

 4
 Speed Control

SYS_FAN:		
Pin No.	Definition	
1	GND	
2	+12V	
3	Sense	

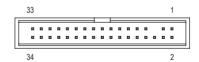


- Be sure to connect fan cables to the fan headers to prevent your CPU and system from overheating. Overheating may result in damage to the CPU or the system may hang.
- These fan headers are not configuration jumper blocks. Do not place a jumper cap on the headers.

5) FDD (Floppy Disk Drive Connector)

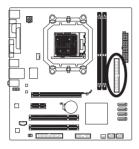
This connector is used to connect a floppy disk drive. The types of floppy disk drives supported are: 360 KB, 720 KB, 1.2 MB, 1.44 MB, and 2.88 MB. Before connecting a floppy disk drive, be sure to locate pin 1 of the connector and the floppy disk drive cable. The pin 1 of the cable is typically designated by a stripe of different color. For purchasing the optional floppy disk drive cable, please contact the local dealer

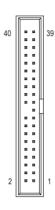




6) IDE (IDE Connector)

The IDE connector supports up to two IDE devices such as hard drives and optical drives. Before attaching the IDE cable, locate the foolproof groove on the connector. If you wish to connect two IDE devices, remember to set the jumpers and the cabling according to the role of the IDE devices (for example, master or slave). (For information about configuring master/slave settings for the IDE devices, read the instructions from the device manufacturers.)

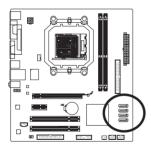


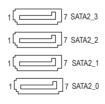


7) SATA2_0/1/2/3 (SATA 3Gb/s Connectors)

The SATA connectors conform to SATA 3Gb/s standard and are compatible with SATA 1.5Gb/s standard. Each SATA connector supports a single SATA device. The NVIDIA® GeForce 7025/nForce 630a controller supports RAID 0, RAID 1, RAID 10, RAID 5, and JBOD. Refer to Chapter 4, "Configuring SATA Hard

Drive(s)," for instructions on configuring a RAID array.





Pin No.	Definition
1	GND
2	TXP
3	TXN
4	GND
5	RXN
6	RXP
7	GND



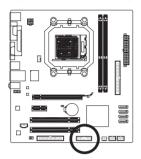
Please connect the L-shaped end of the SATA cable to your SATA hard drive.

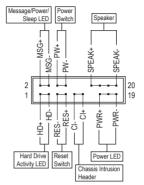


- A RAID 0 or RAID 1 configuration requires at least two hard drives. If more than two hard drives are to be used, the total number of hard drives must be an even number.
- A RAID 5 configuration requires at least three hard drives. (The total number of hard drives does not have to be an even number.)
- · A RAID 10 configuration requires four hard drives.

8) F PANEL (Front Panel Header)

Connect the power switch, reset switch, speaker, chassis intrusion switch/sensor and system status indicator on the chassis to this header according to the pin assignments below. Note the positive and negative pins before connecting the cables.





MSG/PWR (Message/Power/Sleep LED, Yellow/Purple):

System Status	LED
S0	On
S1	Blinking
S3/S4/S5	Off

Connects to the power status indicator on the chassis front panel. The LED is on when the system is operating. The LED keeps blinking when the system is in S1 sleep state. The LED is off when the system is in S3/S4 sleep state or powered off (S5).

· PW (Power Switch, Red):

Connects to the power switch on the chassis front panel. You may configure the way to turn off your system using the power switch (refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup," "Power Management Setup," for more information).

• SPEAK (Speaker, Orange):

Connects to the speaker on the chassis front panel. The system reports system startup status by issuing a beep code. One single short beep will be heard if no problem is detected at system startup. If a problem is detected, the BIOS may issue beeps in different patterns to indicate the problem.

HD (Hard Drive Activity LED, Blue)
 Connects to the hard drive activity LED on the chassis front panel. The LED is on when the hard drive is reading or writing data.

· RES (Reset Switch, Green):

Connects to the reset switch on the chassis front panel. Press the reset switch to restart the computer if the computer freezes and fails to perform a normal restart.

• CI (Chassis Intrusion Header, Gray):

Connects to the chassis intrusion switch/sensor on the chassis that can detect if the chassis cover has been removed. This function requires a chassis with a chassis intrusion switch/sensor.



The front panel design may differ by chassis. A front panel module mainly consists of power switch, reset switch, power LED, hard drive activity LED, speaker and etc. When connecting your chassis front panel module to this header, make sure the wire assignments and the pin assignments are matched correctly.

9) F_AUDIO (Front Panel Audio Header)

The front panel audio header supports Intel High Definition audio (HD) and AC'97 audio. You may connect your chassis front panel audio module to this header. Make sure the wire assignments of the module connector match the pin assignments of the motherboard header. Incorrect connection between the module connector and the motherboard header will make the device unable to work or even damage it.





For AC'97 Front Panel Audio		
Definition		
MIC		
GND		
MIC Power		
NC		
Line Out (R)		
NC		
NC		
No Pin		
Line Out (L)		
NC		



- The front panel audio header supports HD audio by default.
- Audio signals will be present on both of the front and back panel audio connections simultaneously.

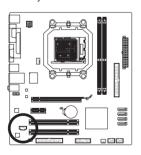
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GND

 Some chassis provide a front panel audio module that has separated connectors on each wire instead of a single plug. For information about connecting the front panel audio module that has different wire assignments, please contact the chassis manufacturer.

10) CD_IN (CD In Connector)

You may connect the audio cable that came with your optical drive to the header.

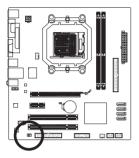




Pin No.	Definition
1	CD-L
2	GND
3	GND
4	CD-R

11) SPDIF IO (S/PDIF In/Out Header)

This header supports digital S/PDIF In/Out. Via an optional S/PDIF In and Out cable, this header can connect to an audio device that supports digital audio out and an audio system that supports digital audio in. For purchasing the optional S/PDIF In and Out cable, please contact the local dealer.

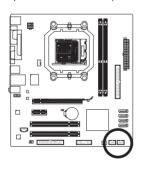




Pin No.	Definition
1	Power
2	No Pin
3	SPDIF
4	SPDIFI
5	GND
6	GND

12) F_USB1/F_USB2 (USB Headers)

The headers conform to USB 2.0/1.1 specification. Each USB header can provide two USB ports via an optional USB bracket. For purchasing the optional USB bracket, please contact the local dealer.





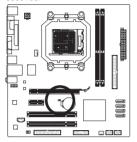
Pin No.	Definition
1	Power (5V)
2	Power (5V)
3	USB DX-
4	USB DY-
5	USB DX+
6	USB DY+
7	GND
8	GND
9	No Pin
10	NC



- Do not plug the IEEE 1394 bracket (2x5-pin) cable into the USB header.
- Prior to installing the USB bracket, be sure to turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the USB bracket.

13) CLR_CMOS (Clearing CMOS Jumper)

Use this jumper to clear the CMOS values (e.g. date information and BIOS configurations) and reset the CMOS values to factory defaults. To clear the CMOS values, place a jumper cap on the two pins to temporarily short the two pins or use a metal object like a screwdriver to touch the two pins for a few seconds.



Open: Normal

Short: Clear CMOS Values



- Always turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before clearing the CMOS values.
- After clearing the CMOS values and before turning on your computer, be sure to remove the jumper cap from the jumper. Failure to do so may cause damage to the motherboard.
- After system restart, go to BIOS Setup to load factory defaults (select Load Optimized Defaults) or manually configure the BIOS settings (refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup," for BIOS configurations).

14) BAT (Battery)

The battery provides power to keep the values (such as BIOS configurations, date, and time information) in the CMOS when the computer is turned off. Replace the battery when the battery voltage drops to a low level, or the CMOS values may not be accurate or may be lost.





You may clear the CMOS values by removing the battery:

- 1. Turn off your computer and unplug the power cord.
- Gently remove the battery from the battery holder and wait for one minute. (Or use a metal object like a screwdriver to touch the positive and negative terminals of the battery holder, making them short for 5 seconds.)
- 3. Replace the battery.
- Plug in the power cord and restart your computer.



- Always turn off your computer and unplug the power cord before replacing the battery.
- Replace the battery with an equivalent one. Danger of explosion if the battery is replaced with an incorrect model.
- Contact the place of purchase or local dealer if you are not able to replace the battery by yourself or uncertain about the battery model.
- When installing the battery, note the orientation of the positive side (+) and the negative side (-)
 of the battery (the positive side should face up).
- Used batteries must be handled in accordance with local environmental regulations.

Chapter 2 BIOS Setup

To access the BIOS Setup program, press the <Delete> key during the POST when the power is turned on. To see more advanced BIOS Setup menu options, you can press <Ctrl> + <F1> in the main menu of the BIOS Setup program.

To upgrade the BIOS, use either the GIGABYTE Q-Flash or @BIOS utility.

- Q-Flash allows the user to quickly and easily upgrade or back up BIOS without entering the operating system.
- @BIOS is a Windows-based utility that searches and downloads the latest version of BIOS from the Internet and updates the BIOS.



- Because BIOS flashing is potentially risky, if you do not encounter problems using the current version of BIOS, it is recommended that you not flash the BIOS. To flash the BIOS, do it with caution. Inadequate BIOS flashing may result in system malfunction.
- It is recommended that you not alter the default settings (unless you need to) to prevent system
 instability or other unexpected results. Inadequately altering the settings may result in system's
 failure to boot. If this occurs, try to clear the CMOS values and reset the board to default values.
 (Refer to the "Load Optimized Defaults" section in this chapter or introductions of the battery/
 clearing CMOS jumper in Chapter 1 for how to clear the CMOS values.)

2-1 Startup Screen

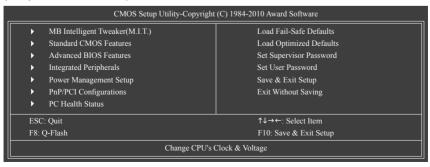
The following screens may appear when the computer boots.



2-2 The Main Menu

Once you enter the BIOS Setup program, the Main Menu (as shown below) appears on the screen. Use arrow keys to move among the items and press <Enter> to accept or enter a sub-menu.

(Sample BIOS Version: D3)





- If you do not find the settings you want in the Main Menu or a submenu, press <Ctrl>+<F1> to access more advanced options.
- When the system is not stable as usual, select the Load Optimized Defaults item to set your system to its defaults.
- The BIOS Setup menus described in this chapter are for reference only and may differ by BIOS
 version

2-3 MB Intelligent Tweaker(M.I.T.)





Whether the system will work stably with the overclock settings you made is dependent on your overall system configurations. Incorrectly doing overclock may result in damage to CPU, chipset, or memory and reduce the useful life of these components. This page is for advanced users only and we recommend you not to alter the default settings to prevent system instability or other unexpected results. (Inadequately altering the settings may result in system's failure to boot. If this occurs, clear the CMOS values and reset the board to default values.)

⇒ Set Memory Clock

Determines whether to manually set the memory clock. Auto lets BIOS automatically set the memory clock as required. Manual allows the memory clock control item below to be configurable. (Default: Auto)

Memory Clock

This option is configurable only when **Set Memory Clock** is set to **Manual**.

When you use an AM3/AM2+ CPU:

→ X2.00	Sets Memory Clock to X2.00.
▶ X2.66	Sets Memory Clock to X2.66.
→ X3.33	Sets Memory Clock to X3.33.
▶ X4.00	Sets Memory Clock to X4.00.
→ X5.33	Sets Memory Clock to X5.33.

When you use an AM2 CPU:

▶ DDR 400	Sets Memory Clock to DDR 400.
▶ DDR 533	Sets Memory Clock to DDR 533.
▶ DDR 667	Sets Memory Clock to DDR 667.
▶ DDR 800	Sets Memory Clock to DDR 800

→ DRAM Configuration

CMOS Setup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Software DRAM Configuration						
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11	→ ←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values	+/-/PU/PD: F6: Fail-Sa		F10: Save	ESC: Exit F7: Optimize	F1: General Help d Defaults

→ DCTs Mode (Note)

Allows you to set memory control mode.

➤ Ganged Sets memory control mode to single dual-channel.

➤ Unganged Sets memory control mode to two single-channel. (Default)

DDRII Timing Items

Manual allows all DDR2 Timing items below to be configurable.

Options are: Auto (default), Manual.

Options are: Auto (default), 3T~7T.

RAS to CAS R/W Delay

Options are: Auto (default), 3T~6T.

Row Precharge Time

Options are: Auto (default), 3T~6T.

Minimum RAS Active Time

Options are: Auto (default), 5T~18T.

→ 1T/2T Command Timing

Options are: Auto (default), 1T, 2T.

→ TwTr Command Delay

Options are: Auto (default), 1T~3T.

☐ Trfc0 for DIMM1

Options are: Auto (default), 75ns, 105ns, 127.5ns, 195ns, 327.5ns.

→ Trfc2 for DIMM2

Options are: Auto (default), 75ns, 105ns, 127.5ns, 195ns, 327.5ns.

Write Recovery Time

Options are: Auto (default), 3T~6T.

(Note) This item appears only if you install a CPU that supports this feature.

Precharge Time

Options are: Auto (default), 2T, 3T.

→ Row Cycle Time

Options are: Auto (default), 11T~26T.

RAS to RAS Delay

Options are: Auto (default), 2T~5T.

☐ CKE Power Down Mode

Determines whether to set the memory to power down mode when the CKE pin is closed. (Default: Disabled)

☐ CKE Power Down Control

Allows you to select a CKE power down mode. Options are per Channel (Default), per CS.

CPU NB VID Control

Allows you to set the CPU Northbridge VID voltage. **Auto** sets the CPU Northbridge VID voltage as required. The adjustable range is dependent on the CPU being installed. (Default: Normal)

Note: Increasing CPU voltage may result in damage to your CPU or reduce the useful life of the CPU.

CPU Voltage Control

Allows you to set the CPU voltage. **Auto** sets the CPU voltage as required. The adjustable range is dependent on the CPU being installed. (Default: Normal)

Note: Increasing CPU voltage may result in damage to your CPU or reduce the useful life of the CPU.

→ Normal CPU Vcore

Displays the normal operating voltage of your CPU.

2-4 Standard CMOS Features

	CMOS Setup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Software Standard CMOS Features				
	Date (mm:dd:yy)	Fri, May 14 2010	Item Help		
	Time (hh:mm:ss)		Menu Level ▶		
▶	IDE Channel 0 Master	[None]	l		
▶	IDE Channel 0 Slave	[None]			
▶	IDE Channel 2 Master	[None]			
▶	IDE Channel 3 Master	[None]			
▶	IDE Channel 4 Master	[None]			
▶	IDE Channel 5 Master	[None]			
	D: 4	51 443 6 2 513			
Ш	Drive A	[1.44M, 3.5"]			
	Floppy 3 Mode Support	[Disabled]			
	Halt On	[All, But Keyboard]			
Ш					
	Extended Memory				
1	→ ←: Move Enter: Select	+/-/PU/PD: Value F10: Save	ESC: Exit F1: General Help		
	F5: Previous Values	F6: Fail-Safe Defaults	F7: Optimized Defaults		

→ Date (mm:dd:yy)

Sets the system date.

Time (hh:mm:ss)

Sets the system time.

□ IDE Channel 0 Master/Slave, IDE Channel 2, 3, 4, 5 Master

▶ IDE HDD Auto-Detection, IDE Auto-Detection

Press <Enter> to autodetect the parameters of the IDE/SATA device on this channel.

▶ IDE Channel 0 Master/Slave. Extended IDE Drive

Configure your IDE/SATA devices by using one of the two methods below:

Auto Lets the BIOS automatically detect IDE/SATA devices during the POST. (Default)

• None If no IDE/SATA devices are used, set this item to **None** so the system will skip

the detection of the device during the POST for faster system startup.

➤ Access Mode Sets the hard drive access mode. (Default: Auto)

The following fields display your hard drive specifications. If you wish to enter the parameters manually, refer to the information on the hard drive.

➤ Capacity Approximate capacity of the currently installed hard drive.

➤ Cylinder➤ HeadNumber of cylinders.➤ HeadNumber of heads.

▶ Precomp
Write precompensation cylinder.

▶ Landing Zone Landing zone.▶ Sector Number of sectors.

Drive A

Allows you to select the type of floppy disk drive installed in your system. If you do not install a floppy disk drive, set this item to **None**. Options are: None, 360K/5.25", 1.2M/5.25", 720K/3.5", 1.44M/3.5", 2.88M/3.5".

Floppy 3 Mode Support

Allows you to specify whether the installed floppy disk drive is 3-mode floppy disk drive, a Japanese standard floppy disk drive. Options are: Disabled (default), Drive A.

→ Halt On

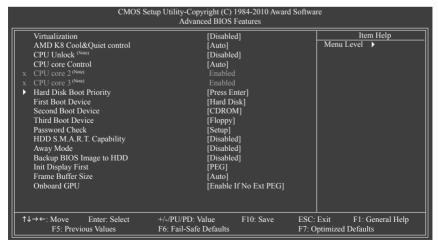
Allows you to determine whether the system will stop for an error during the POST.

Options are: "All Errors," "No Errors," "All, But Keyboard" (default), "All, But Diskette," "All, But Disk/Key."

Memory

These fields are read-only and are determined by the BIOS POST.

2-5 Advanced BIOS Features



→ Virtualization

Virtualization allows a platform to run multiple operating systems and applications in independent partitions. With virtualization, one computer system can function as multiple virtual systems. (Default: Disabled)

→ AMD K8 Cool&Quiet control

→ Auto Lets the AMD Cool'n'Quiet driver dynamically adjust the CPU clock and VID to

reduce heat output from your computer and its power consumption. (Default)

▶ Disabled Disables this function.

→ CPU Unlock (Note)

Allows you to determine whether unlock hidden CPU cores. (Default: Disabled)

☐ CPU core Control

Allows you to determine whether to manually enable/disable CPU Core 2 and Core 3. **Manual** allows the two items below to be configurable.

▶ Auto Lets the BIOS to enable all CPU cores (number of cores available depends on the

CPU being used). (Default)

Manual Allows you to individually enable/disable CPU Core 2 and Core 3.

CPU core 2 (Note)

Enables or disables CPU Core 2. (Default: Enabled)

→ CPU core 3 (Note)

Enables or disables CPU Core 3. (Default: Enabled)

Hard Disk Boot Priority

Specifies the sequence of loading the operating system from the installed hard drives.

⇒ First/Second/Third Boot Device

Specifies the boot order from the available devices.

Password Check

Specifies whether a password is required every time the system boots, or only when you enter BIOS Setup. After configuring this item, set the password(s) under the **Set Supervisor/User Password** item in the BIOS Main Menu

▶ Setup A password is only required for entering the BIOS Setup program. (Default)
 ▶ System A password is required for booting the system and for entering the BIOS Setup

program.

→ HDD S.M.A.R.T. Capability

Enables or disables the S.M.A.R.T. (Self Monitoring and Reporting Technology) capability of your hard drive. This feature allows your system to report read/write errors of the hard drive and to issue warnings when a third party hardware monitor utility is installed. (Default: Enabled)

Away Mode

Enables or disables Away Mode in Windows XP Media Center operating system. Away Mode allows the system to silently perform unattended tasks while in a low-power mode that appears off. (Default: Disabled)

→ Backup BIOS Image to HDD

Allows the system to copy the BIOS image file to the hard drive. If the system BIOS is corrupted, it will be recovered from this image file. (Default: Disabled)

(Note) This item is present only if you install a CPU that supports this feature.

Init Display First

Specifies the first initiation of the monitor display from the installed PCI graphics card, PCI Express graphics card, or the onboard graphics.

▶ PCI Slot
 ▶ Onboard VGA
 Sets the PCI graphics card as the first display.
 ▶ Onboard VGA
 Sets the onboard graphics as the first display.

▶ PEG Sets the PCI Express graphics card as the first display. (Default)

→ Frame Buffer Size

Frame buffer size is the total amount of system memory allocated solely for the onboard graphics controller. MS-DOS, for example, will use only this memory for display. Options are: Auto (Default), 32MB, 64MB, 128MB, 256MB, Disabled.

Onboard GPU

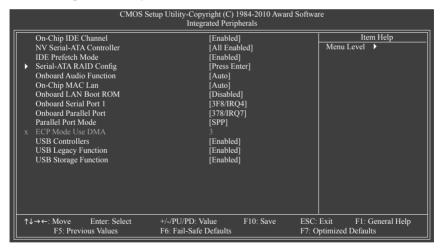
Enables or disables the onboard graphics function.

▶ Enable If No Ext PEG

Activates the onboard graphics only if no PCI Express graphics card is installed. (Default)

Always activates the onboard graphics, whether or not a PCI Express card is installed. If you wish to set up a dual view configuration, set this item to Always Enable.

2-6 Integrated Peripherals



→ On-Chip IDE Channel

Enables or disables the integrated IDE controller. (Default: Enabled)

→ NV Serial-ATA Controller

Enables or disables the integrated SATA controller(s). You can select whether to enable all SATA controllers or only the first SATA controller. (Default: All Enabled)

→ IDE Prefetch Mode

Enables or disables prefetch mode for the integrated IDE controller. Enabled activates the IDE prefetch buffer to enhance hard drive performance. (Default: Enabled)

○ Serial-ATA RAID Config

CMOS Setup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Software Serial-ATA RAID Config					
NV SATA RAID function	[Disabled]	Item Help			
x NV SATA 1 Primary RAID		Menu Level ▶▶			
x NV SATA 1 Secondary RAID	x NV SATA 1 Secondary RAID Enabled				
x NV SATA 2 Primary RAID					
x NV SATA 2 Secondary RAID	Enabled				
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values	+/-/PU/PD: Value F10: Save F6: Fail-Safe Defaults	ESC: Exit F1: General Help F7: Optimized Defaults			

→ NV SATA RAID function

Enables or disables RAID for the integrated SATA 3Gb/s controllers. Enabled allows you to configure RAID for individual SATA channel. (Default: Disabled)

♡ NV SATA 1 Primary RAID

Enables or disables RAID for the first channel of the first integrated SATA 3Gb/s controller. This item is configurable only if the NV SATA RAID function item is set to Enabled. (Default: Enabled)

→ NV SATA 1 Secondary RAID

Enables or disables RAID for the second channel of the first integrated SATA 3Gb/s controller. This item is configurable only if the **NV SATA RAID function** item is set to Enabled. (Default: Enabled)

→ NV SATA 2 Primary RAID

Enables or disables RAID for the first channel of the second integrated SATA 3Gb/s controller. This item is configurable only if the **NV SATA RAID function** item is set to Enabled. (Default: Enabled)

→ NV SATA 2 Secondary RAID

Enables or disables RAID for the first channel of the second integrated SATA 3Gb/s controller. This item is configurable only if the **NV SATA RAID function** item is set to Enabled. (Default: Enabled)

Onboard Audio Function

Enables or disables the onboard audio function. (Default: Auto)

If you wish to install a 3rd party add-in audio card instead of using the onboard audio, set this item to Disabled

→ On-Chip MAC Lan

Enables or disables the onboard LAN function. (Default: Auto)

If you wish to install a 3rd party add-in network card instead of using the onboard LAN, set this item to Disabled

→ Onboard LAN Boot ROM

Allows you to decide whether to activate the boot ROM integrated with the onboard LAN chip. (Default: Disabled)

Onboard Serial Port 1

Enables or disables the first serial port and specifies its base I/O address and corresponding interrupt. Options are: Auto, 2F8/IRQ3, 3F8/IRQ4(default), 3E8/IRQ4, 2E8/IRQ3, Disabled.

→ Onboard Parallel Port

Enables or disables the onboard parallel port (LPT) and specifies its base I/O address and corresponding interrupt. Options are: 378/IRQ7 (default), 278/IRQ5, 3BC/IRQ7, Disabled.

Parallel Port Mode

Selects an operating mode for the onboard parallel (LPT) port. Options are: SPP (Standard Parallel Port) (default), EPP (Enhanced Parallel Port), ECP (Extended Capabilities Port), ECP+EPP.

☐ ECP Mode Use DMA

Selects DMA channel for the LPT port in ECP mode. This item is configurable only if **Parallel Port Mode** is set to **ECP** or **ECP+EPP** mode. Options are: 3 (default), 1.

→ USB Controllers

Enables or disables the integrated USB controllers. (Default: Enabled)

Disabled will turn off all of the USB functionalities below.

→ USB Legacy Function

Allows USB keyboard to be used in MS-DOS. (Default: Enabled)

USB Storage Function

Determines whether to detect USB storage devices, including USB flash drives and USB hard drives during the POST. (Default: Enabled)

2-7 Power Management Setup

CMOS Setup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Software Power Management Setup				
ACPI Suspend Type Soft-Off by Power button PME Event Wake Up Modem Ring On USB Resume from Suspend Power-On by Alarm X Day of Month Alarm Time (hh:mm:ss) Alarm HPET Support (Note) HPET Mode (Note) Power On By Mouse Power On By Keyboard X KB Power ON Password AC Back Function ErP Support	[S3(STR)] [Instant-Off] [Enabled] [Enabled] [Enabled] [Disabled] Everyday 0:0:0 [Enabled] [32-bit mode] [Disabled] [Disabled] [Soft-Off] [Disabled]	Item Help Menu Level		
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values		: Exit F1: General Help Optimized Defaults		

ACPI Suspend Type

Specifies the ACPI sleep state when the system enters suspend.

▶ S1(POS) Enables the system to enter the ACPI S1 (Power on Suspend) sleep state.

In S1 sleep state, the system appears suspended and stays in a low power mode.

The system can be resumed at any time.

➤ S3(STR) Enables the system to enter the ACPI S3 (Suspend to RAM) sleep state (default).

In S3 sleep state, the system appears to be off and consumes less power than in the S1 state. When signaled by a wake-up device or event, the system resumes to

its working state exactly where it was left off.

Soft-Off by Power button

Configures the way to turn off the computer in MS-DOS mode using the power button.

▶ Instant-Off Press the power button and then the system will be turned off instantly. (Default)

➤ Delay 4 Sec. Press and hold the power button for 4 seconds to turn off the system. If the power button is pressed for less than 4 seconds, the system will enter suspend mode.

(Note) Supported on Windows 7/Vista operating system only.

→ PME Event Wake Up

Allows the system to be awakened from an ACPI sleep state by a wake-up signal from a PCI or PCIe device. Note: To use this function, you need an ATX power supply providing at least 1A on the +5VSB lead. (Default: Enabled)

Modem Ring On

Allows the system to be awakened from an ACPI sleep state by a wake-up signal from a modem that supports wake-up function. (Default: Enabled)

→ USB Resume from Suspend

Allows the system to be awakened from ACPI S3 sleep state by a wake-up signal from the installed USB device. (Default: Enabled)

→ Power-On by Alarm

Determines whether to power on the system at a desired time. (Default: Disabled)

If enabled, set the date and time as following:

- >> Day of Month Alarm: Turn on the system at a specific time on each day or on a specific day in a month.
- >> Time (hh: mm: ss) Alarm: Set the time at which the system will be powered on automatically. Note: When using this function, avoid inadequate shutdown from the operating system or removal of the AC power, or the settings may not be effective.

→ HPET Support (Note)

Enables or disables High Precision Event Timer (HPET) for Windows 7/Vista operating system. (Default: Enabled)

→ HPFT Mode (Note)

Allows you to select the HPET mode for your Windows 7/Vista operating system. This item is configurable only if the **HPET Support** is set to **Enabled**. (Default: 32-bit mode)

Power On By Mouse

Allows the system to be turned on by a PS/2 mouse wake-up event. (Default: Disabled)

Note: To use this function, you need an ATX power supply providing at least 1A on the +5VSB lead.

➤ Double Click Double click on left button on the PS/2 mouse to turn on the system.

Power On By Keyboard

Allows the system to be turned on by a PS/2 keyboard wake-up event. (Default: Disabled)

Note: you need an ATX power supply providing at least 1A on the +5VSB lead.

▶ Password Set a password with 1~5 characters to turn on the system.

▶ Any KEY Press any key on the keyboard to turn on the system.

▶ Keyboard 98 Press POWER button on the Windows 98 keyboard to turn on the system.

KB Power ON Password

Set the password when **Power On by Keyboard** is set to **Password**. Press <Enter> on this item and set a password with up to 5 characters and then press <Enter> to accept. To turn on the system, enter the password and press <Enter>.

Note: To cancel the password, press <Enter> on this item. When prompted for the password, press <Enter> again without entering the password to clear the password settings.

(Note) Supported on Windows 7/Vista operating system only.

AC Back Function

Determines the state of the system after the return of power from an AC power loss.

Soft-Off
The system stays off upon the return of the AC power. (Default)

Full-On
The system is turned on upon the return of the AC power.

→ ErP Support

Determines whether to let the system consume less than 1W power in S5 (shutdown) state. (Default: Disabled)

Note: When this item is set to Enabled, the following four functions will become unavailable:

PME event wake up, power on by mouse, power on by keyboard, and wake on LAN.

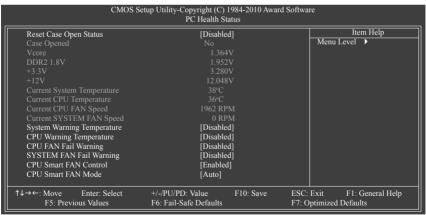
2-8 PnP/PCI Configurations



PCI1/2 IRQ Assignment

➤ Auto BIOS auto-assigns IRQ to the first/second PCI slot. (Default)
 ➤ 3,4,5,7,9,10,11,12,14,15
 Assigns IRQ 3,4,5,7,9,10,11,12,14,15 to the first/second PCI slot.

2-9 PC Health Status



Reset Case Open Status

Keeps or clears the record of previous chassis intrusion status. **Enabled** clears the record of previous chassis intrusion status and the **Case Opened** field will show "No" at next boot. (Default: Disabled)

Displays the detection status of the chassis intrusion detection device attached to the motherboard CI header. If the system chassis cover is removed, this field will show "Yes", otherwise it will show "No". To clear the chassis intrusion status record, set **Reset Case Open Status** to **Enabled**, save the settings to the CMOS, and then restart your system.

Current Voltage(V) Vcore/DDR2 1.8V/+3.3V/+12V

Displays the current system voltages.

□ Current System/CPU Temperature

Displays current system/CPU temperature.

Current CPU/SYSTEM FAN Speed (RPM)

Displays current CPU/system fan speed.

System/CPU Warning Temperature

Sets the warning threshold for system/CPU temperature. When system/CPU temperature exceeds the threshold, BIOS will emit warning sound. Options are: Disabled (default), 60°C/140°F, 70°C/158°F, 80°C/176°F, 90°C/194°F.

□ CPU/SYSTEM FAN Fail Warning

Allows the system to emit warning sound if the CPU/system fan is not connected or fails. Check the fan condition or fan connection when this occurs. (Default: Disabled)

→ CPU Smart FAN Control

Enables or disables the CPU fan speed control function. **Enabled** allows the CPU fan to run at different speed according to the CPU temperature. You can adjust the fan speed with EasyTune based on system requirements. If disabled, the CPU fan runs at full speed. (Default: Enabled)

→ CPU Smart FAN Mode

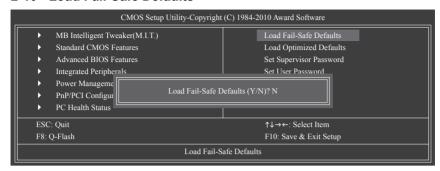
Specifies how to control CPU fan speed. This item is configurable only if CPU Smart FAN Control is set to Enabled.

▶ Auto Lets the BIOS automatically detect the type of CPU fan installed and sets the optimal

CPU fan control mode. (Default)

▶ Voltage Sets Voltage mode for a 3-pin CPU fan.▶ PWM Sets PWM mode for a 4-pin CPU fan.

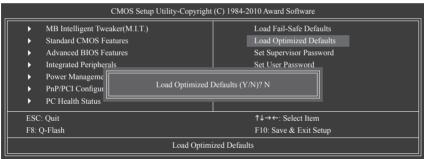
2-10 Load Fail-Safe Defaults



Press <Enter> on this item and then press the <Y> key to load the safest BIOS default settings. In case system instability occurs, you may try to load Fail-Safe defaults, which are the safest and most stable

In case system instability occurs, you may try to load Fail-Safe defaults, which are the safest and most stable BIOS settings for the motherboard.

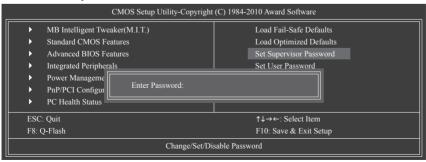
2-11 Load Optimized Defaults



Press <Enter> on this item and then press the <Y> key to load the optimal BIOS default settings.

The BIOS defaults settings help the system to operate in optimum state. Always load the Optimized defaults after updating the BIOS or after clearing the CMOS values.

2-12 Set Supervisor/User Password



The BIOS Setup program allows you to specify two separate passwords:

Supervisor Password

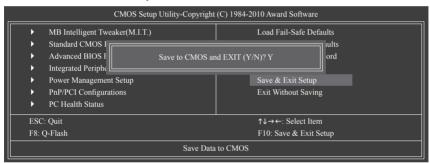
When a system password is set and the **Password Check** item in **Advanced BIOS Features** is set to **Setup**, you must enter the supervisor password for entering BIOS Setup and making BIOS changes. When the **Password Check** item is set to **System**, you must enter the supervisor password (or user password) at system startup and when entering BIOS Setup.

User Password

When the **Password Check** item is set to **System**, you must enter the supervisor password (or user password) at system startup to continue system boot. In BIOS Setup, you must enter the supervisor password if you wish to make changes to BIOS settings. The user password only allows you to view the BIOS settings but not to make changes.

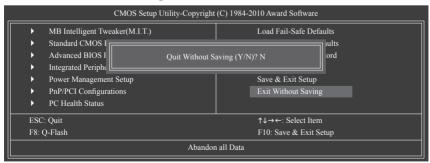
To clear the password, press <Enter> on the password item and when requested for the password, press <Enter> again. The message "PASSWORD DISABLED" will appear, indicating the password has been cancelled.

2-13 Save & Exit Setup



Press <Enter> on this item and press the <Y> key. This saves the changes to the CMOS and exits the BIOS Setup program. Press <N> or <Esc> to return to the BIOS Setup Main Menu.

2-14 Exit Without Saving



Press <Enter> on this item and press the <Y> key. This exits the BIOS Setup without saving the changes made in BIOS Setup to the CMOS. Press <N> or <Esc> to return to the BIOS Setup Main Menu.

Chapter 3 Drivers Installation



Before installing the drivers, first install the operating system.

After installing the operating system, insert the motherboard driver disk into your optical drive. The driver Autorun screen is automatically displayed which looks like that shown in the screen shot below. (If the driver Autorun screen does not appear automatically, go to My Computer, double-click the optical drive and execute the **Run**.exe program.)

Installing Chipset Drivers

After inserting the driver disk, "Xpress Install" will automatically scan your system and then list all the drivers that are recommended to install. You can click the **Install All** button and "Xpress Install" will install all the recommended drivers. Or click **Install Single Items** to manually select the drivers you wish to install.



Chapter 4 Appendix

Configuring SATA Hard Drive(s)

Before you begin

Please prepare:

- At least two SATA hard drives (to ensure optimal performance, it is recommended that you use two hard drives with identical model and capacity). If you do not want to create RAID, you may prepare only one hard drive.
- · An empty formatted floppy disk.
- · Windows Vista/XP setup disk.
- · Motherboard driver disk.

Configuring the Onboard SATA Controller

A. Installing SATA hard drive(s) in your computer

Attach one end of the SATA signal cable to the rear of the SATA hard drive and the other end to available SATA port on the motherboard. Then connect the power connector from your power supply to the hard drive.

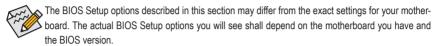
B. Configuring SATA controller mode in BIOS Setup

Make sure to configure the SATA controller mode correctly in system BIOS Setup. For the BIOS Setup menus, refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup," "Integrated Peripherals."

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Steps:

- Turn on your computer and press <Delete> to enter BIOS Setup during the POST (Power-On Self-Test).
 Under Integrated Peripherals, make sure NV Serial-ATA Controller is enabled. To enable RAID, go to the Serial-ATA RAID Config sub-menu.
- Set NV SATA RAID function to Enabled to enable RAID control for each SATA connector. Then enable
 the SATA channels with hard drives that you want to use for RAID (for example, NV SATA 1 Primary
 RAID controls the SATA2_0 connector and NV SATA 1 Secondary RAID controls the SATA2_1 connector).
- 3. Save changes and exit BIOS Setup.



C. Configuring RAID set in RAID BIOS

Enter the RAID BIOS setup utility to configure a RAID array. After the POST memory test begins and before the operating system boot begins, look for a message which says "Press <F10> to enter RAID setup utility." Hit the <F10> key to enter the NVIDIA RAID setup utility.

Steps:

- 1. Press the <Tab> key to move from field to field until the appropriate field is highlighted.
- In the RAID Mode field, use the up or down arrow key to select a RAID mode. The following procedure demonstrates how a RAID 0 array (Striping) is created.
- In the Striping Block field, use the up or down arrow key to set the striping block size. The striping block size can be set from 4 KB to 128 KB.
- 4. Next, press <Tab> to move to the Free Disks block. Select the target hard drives using the up or down arrow key and use the right arrow key to add the hard drives to the Array Disks block.
- Press <F7>. A message which says "Clear disk data?" appears. Press <Y> to confirm. (If the hard drives contain a previously created RAID array, you need to press <Y> to clear the data in the hard drives.)
 After that, the Array List screen appears, displaying the RAID array that you have created.
- To exit the NVIDIA RAID setup utility, press <Esc> in the main menu or <Ctrl>+<X> in the Array List screen. Now, you can proceed to the installation of the SATA controller driver and operating system.

Making a SATA RAID Driver Diskette

Copy the driver for the SATA controller from the motherboard driver disk to a floppy disk (for Windows XP) or a USB flash drive (for Windows Vista/7). For example, to copy the RAID driver for Windows XP 32-bit operating system, copy the driver from the following directory to your floppy disk: **BootDry\UDA\WinXP\sataraid**

Installing the SATA RAID Driver and Operating System

A. Installing Windows XP

Restart your system to boot from the Windows XP setup disk and press <F6> as soon as you see the message "Press F6 if you need to install a 3rd party SCSI or RAID driver." Insert the floppy disk containing the SATA controller driver. Follow the on-screen instructions to install the two drivers displayed. When completed, proceed with the Windows XP installation.

B. Installing Windows Vista

Restart your system to boot from the Windows Vista setup disk and perform standard OS installation steps. Select **Load Driver**. Insert the floppy disk/USB flash drive (for users using a SATA optical drive) containing the driver or insert the motherboard driver disk. Browse to **BootDrv\UDA\WinVista\sataraid** to load the driver and continue the OS installation.

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被动电子元器件 Passive Components	×	0	0	0	0	0
线材 Cables	0	0	0	0	0	0
焊接金属 Soldering metal	0	0	0	0	0	0
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