A6GMV Series Motherboard

User's Manual

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Motherboard A6GMV

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- EN 55022:1998/A2: 2003 Limits and methods of measurements of radio disturbance characteristics of information technology equipment
- EN 61000-3-2/:2000 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)
  Part 3: Limits
  Section 2: Limits for harmonic current emissions (equipment input current <= 16A per phase)
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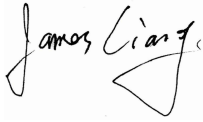
Signature : 

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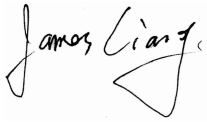
Signature :  Date : 2010

Installation Precautions

- Electrostatic discharge (ESD) is the sudden and momentary electric current that flows between two objects at different electrical potentials. Normally it comes out as a spark which will quickly damage your electronic equipment. Please wear an electrostatic discharge (ESD) wrist strap when handling components such as a motherboard, CPU or memory.
- Ensure that the DC power supply is turned off before installing or removing CPU, memory, expansion cards or other peripherals. It is recommended to unplug the AC power cord from the power supply outlet. Failure to unplug the power supply cord may result in serious damage to your system.

Please carefully read the following procedures to install your computer :

- It is suggested to select high-quality, certified fans in order to avoid damage to the motherboard and CPU due to high temperature. Never turn on the computer if the CPU fan is not properly installed.
- We cannot guarantee that your system can operate normally when your CPU is overclocked. Normal operation depends on the overclocking capacity of your device.
- If there is any, when connecting USB, audio, RS232 COM, IrDA or S/PDIF cables to the internal connectors on the motherboard, make sure their pinouts are matching with the connectors on the motherboard. Incorrect connections might damage the motherboard.
- When handling the motherboard, avoid touching any metal leads or connectors.
- If there is a PCI Express x16 graphics card installed in your system, we recommend using a 24-pin ATX power supply to get the best performance.
- Before turning on the power, please make sure the power supply AC input voltage setting has been configured to the local standard.
- To prevent damage to the motherboard, do not allow screws to come in contact with the motherboard circuit or its components. Also, make sure there are no leftover screws or metal components placed on the motherboard or within the computer casing.
- 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.

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http://www.foxconnsupport.com

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CPU Support List :
http://www.foxconnsupport.com/cpusupportlist.aspx

Memory, VGA Compatibility List :
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With advanced overclocking capability and a range of connectivity features for today multi-media computing requirements, A6GMV enables you to unleash more power from your computer.

This chapter includes the following information:

- Product Specifications
- Layout
- Back Panel Connectors

1-1 Product Specifications

CPU	Support AMD AM3 socket processors, Max processor power up to 95W For the latest CPU information, please visit: http://www.foxconnsupport.com/cpusupportlist.aspx
HyperTransport	Up to 2000MT/s (HT1.0) for AM3 CPU
Chipset	North Bridge: AMD 690G South Bridge: AMD SB600
Memory	2 x 240-pin DDR3 DIMMs Support up to 8GB of system memory Dual channel DDR3 1333/1066 MHz architecture
Expansion Slots	1 x PCI Express x16 slot 1 x PCI Express x1 slot 2 x PCI slots
VGA	Integrated ATI X1250 GPU Support DirectX 9.0, Vertex Shader version 2.0 and Pixel Shader version 2.0
Storage	SB600 chipset: - 4 x SATA II connectors Up to 3Gb/s transfer speed Support RAID 0, 1, 10 Support hot plug - 1 x IDE connector
LAN	Realtek RTL8111D Gigabit LAN chip
Audio	VIA VT1708s audio chip: - High Definition Audio - 2/4/5.1-channel - Support for S/PDIF Out - Support Jack-Sensing function
USB	Support hot plug Support up to 8 x USB 2.0 ports (4 rear panel ports, 2 onboard USB headers supporting 4 extra ports) Support USB 2.0 protocol up to 480Mb/s

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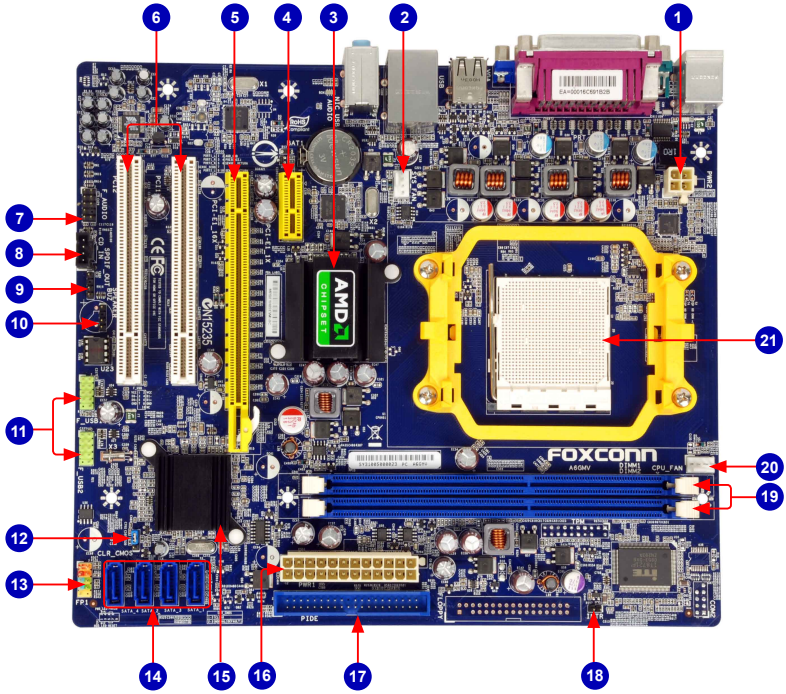
Internal Connectors	1 x 24-pin ATX main power connector 1 x 4-pin ATX 12V power connector 4 x SATA connectors 2 x USB 2.0 connectors (supporting 4 x USB devices) 1 x CPU fan header (4-pin) 1 x System fan header (4-pin) 1 x Front Audio connector 1 x CD_IN connector 1 x S/PDIF_OUT connector 1 x Speaker connector 1 x Frant Panel connector 1 x Chassis intrusion alarm header (INTR)
Back Panel Connectors	1 x PS/2 keyboard port 1 x PS/2 mouse port 1 x VGA port 1 x Serial port 1 x Parallel port 4 x USB 2.0 ports 1 x RJ-45 LAN port 6-channel Audio ports
Hardware Monitor	System voltage detection CPU/System temperature detection CPU/System fan speed detection CPU overheating warning CPU/System fan speed control
PCI Express x1	Support 250MB/s (500MB/s concurrent) bandwidth Low power consumption and power management features
PCI Express x16	Support 8GB/s (16GB/s concurrent) bandwidth Low power consumption and power management features
Green Function	Support ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface) Support S0 (normal), S1 (power on suspend), S3 (suspend to RAM), S4 (suspend to disk), S5 (soft - off) Support EuP function
Bundled Software	FOX ONE FOX LiveUpdate FOX LOGO FOX DMI
Operating System	Support for Microsoft® Windows® 7/Vista/XP
Form Factor	Micro ATX Form Factor, 9.6 inches x 8.4 inches (24.4cm x 21.3cm)

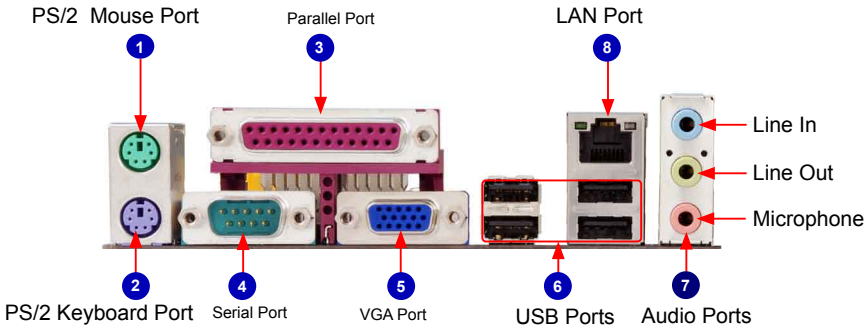
1-2 Layout



1. 4-pin ATX 12V Power Connector
2. SYS_FAN Header
3. North Bridge: AMD 690G
4. PCI Express x1 Slot
5. PCI Express x16 Slot
6. PCI Slots
7. Front Audio Connector
8. CD_IN Connector
9. S/PDIF Out Connector
10. Speaker Connector
11. Front USB Connectors
12. Clear CMOS Jumper
13. Front Panel Connector
14. SATA Connectors
15. South Bridge: AMD SB600
16. 24-pin ATX Power Connector
17. IDE Connector
18. Chassis Intrusion Alarm Header
19. DDR3 DIMM Slots
20. CPU_FAN Header
21. CPU Socket

Note : The above motherboard layout is for reference only, please refer to the physical motherboard for detail.

1-3 Back Panel Connectors



1. PS/2 Mouse Port

Use the upper port (green) to connect a PS/2 mouse.

2. PS/2 Keyboard Port

Use the lower port (purple) to connect a PS/2 keyboard.

3. Parallel Port

This connect provides printer port interface.

4. Serial Port

This is output of RS232 COM1 port.

5. VGA Port

To connect with external display devices, such as monitor or LCD display.

6. USB Ports

The USB ports support the USB 2.0/1.1 specification. Use these ports for USB devices such as an USB keyboard/mouse, USB printer, USB flash drive and etc.

7. Audio Ports

For the definition of each audio port, please refer to the table below :

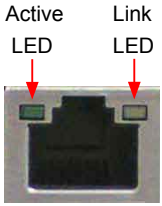
Port	2-channel	4-channel	5.1-channel
Blue	Line In	Rear Speaker Out*	Rear Speaker Out*
Green	Line Out	Front Speaker Out	Front Speaker Out
Pink	Microphone In	Microphone In	Center/Subwoofer Out*

* : Please refer to Chapter 4, and install the Realtek audio driver (in CD) to assign the audio output ports for different applications of 2/4/5.1 channels. The fundamental audio outputs are depicted in the table above.

8. RJ-45 LAN Port

The Ethernet LAN port provides Internet connection at up to 10/100/1000Mb/s data rate.

LAN Type	Left: Active		Right: Link	
	Status	Description	Status	Description
1000M	Off	No Link	Off	No Link
	Green Blinking	Data Activity	Off	10 Mb/s Connection
			Green	100 Mb/s Connection
			Orange	1000 Mb/s Connection



This chapter introduces the hardware installation process, including the installation of the CPU, memory, power supply, slots, pin headers and the mounting of jumpers. Caution should be exercised during the installation of these modules. Please refer to the motherboard layout prior to any installation and read the contents in this chapter carefully.

This chapter includes the following information :

- Install the CPU and CPU Cooler
- Install the Memory
- Install an Expansion Card
- Install other Internal Connectors
- Jumpers

Please visit the following website for more supporting information about your motherboard.

CPU Support List:

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Memory, VGA Compatibility List:

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2-1 Install the CPU and CPU Cooler

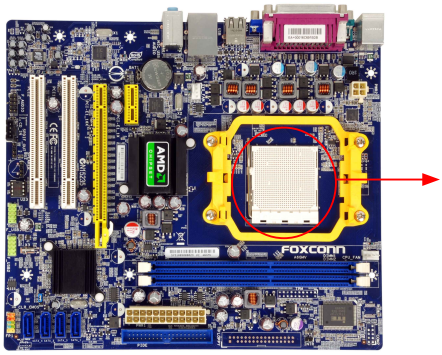
CAUTION

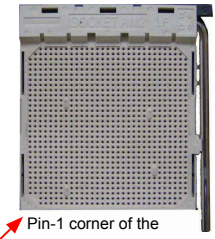
Read the following guidelines before you begin to install the CPU:

- Make sure that the motherboard supports the CPU.
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power supply before installing the CPU to prevent hardware damage.
- Locate the Pin-1 of the CPU. The CPU cannot be inserted if oriented incorrectly.
- 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 want 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.

Install the CPU

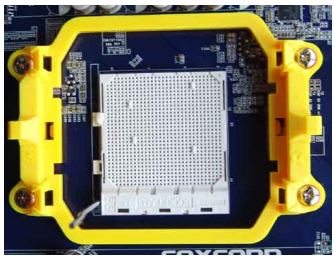
Locate the Pin-1 CPU triangle mark and the Pin-1 of the CPU socket.





Pin-1 corner of the CPU socket

Pin-1 triangle marking of CPU



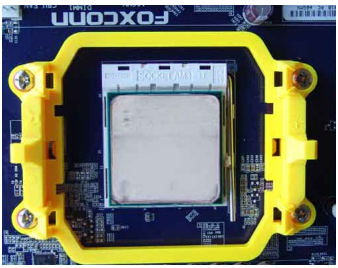
1. Release the CPU socket lever.

2. Align Pin-1 of the CPU with the CPU socket, and gently put the CPU onto the socket.

3. When CPU is properly seated, push the CPU socket lever back to its locked position.

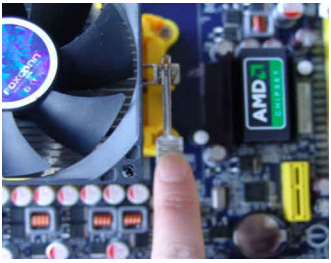
Install the CPU Cooler

Follow the steps below to correctly install the CPU cooler. (The following procedures use Foxconn cooler as the example.)

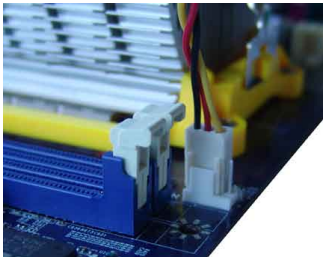


1. Apply and spread an even thermal grease on the surface of CPU.

2. Buckle the heatsink firmly at one side of the stand.



3. Buckle the heatsink at another side, and press the fasten lever down to tightly seat the cooler.



4. Attach the 3-wire CPU cooler connector to the CPU fan header on the motherboard .

CAUTION

Use extreme care when removing the CPU cooler because the thermal grease may adhere to the CPU. Inadequately removing the CPU cooler may damage the CPU.

2-2 Install the Memory

CAUTION

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.
- 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.

Dual Channel Memory Configuration

This motherboard provides two DDR3 memory sockets and supports Dual Channel Technology. When memory is installed, the BIOS will automatically check the memory in your system.

Two DDR3 memory sockets are divided into two channels :

Channel 0 : DIMM1
Channel 1 : DIMM2

The combinations of DIMM modules are :

	DIMM1	DIMM2
Single Channel	DS/SS	-
Single Channel	-	DS/SS
Dual Channel	DS/SS	DS/SS

(DS : Double Side, SS : Single Side, - : No Memory)

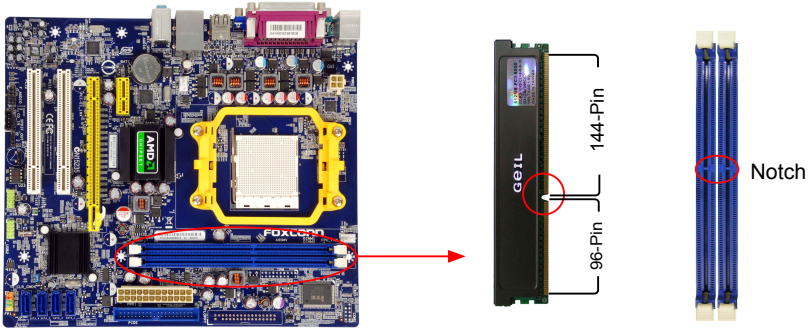
CAUTION

It is recommended that memory of the same capacity, brand, speed, and chips be used and please select dual channel first to achieve optimum performance.

Installing a Memory

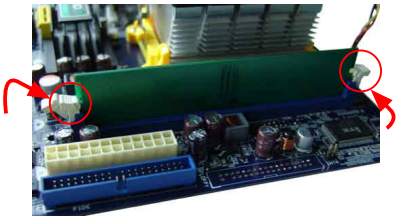
CAUTION

Before installing a memory module, make sure to turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the memory module. Be sure to install DDR3 DIMMs on this motherboard.



If you take a look at front side of memory module, it has asymmetric pin counts on both sides separated by a notch in the middle, so it can only fit in one direction. Follow the steps below to correctly install your memory modules into the sockets.

Step 1:
Spread the clips at both ends of the memory socket. Place the memory module onto the socket, then put your fingers on top edge of the module, and push it down firmly and seat it vertically into the memory socket.

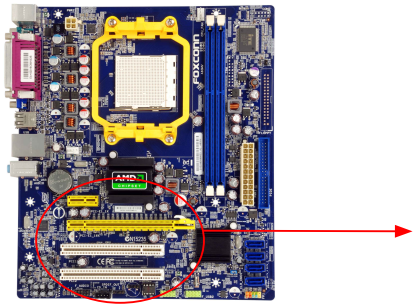


Step 2:
The clips at both ends of the socket will snap into place when the memory module is securely inserted.

2-3 Install an Expansion Card

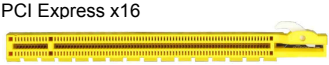
CAUTION

- 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.



PCI Express x1

PCI Express x16

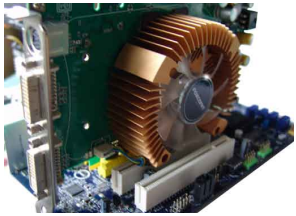


PCI

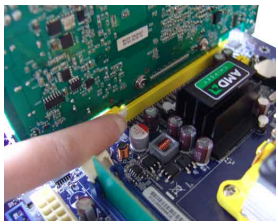
Follow the steps below to correctly install your expansion card in the expansion slot.

1. Locate an expansion slot that supports your card. Remove the metal slot cover from the chassis back panel.
2. Align the card with the slot, and press down on the card until it is fully seated in the slot.
3. Make sure the metal contacts on the card are completely inserted into the slot.
4. Secure the card's metal bracket to the chassis back panel with a screw.
5. After installing all expansion cards, replace the chassis cover.
6. Turn on your computer. If necessary, go to BIOS Setup to make any required BIOS changes for your expansion card(s).
7. Install the driver provided with the expansion card in your operating system.

Installing and Removing a PCI Express x16 Graphics Card :



• Installing a Graphics Card:
Gently insert the graphics card into the PCI Express x16 slot. Make sure the graphics card is locked by the latch at the end of the PCI Express x16 slot.



• Removing the Card:
Push the latch at the end of the PCI Express x16 slot to release the card and then pull the card straight up from the slot.

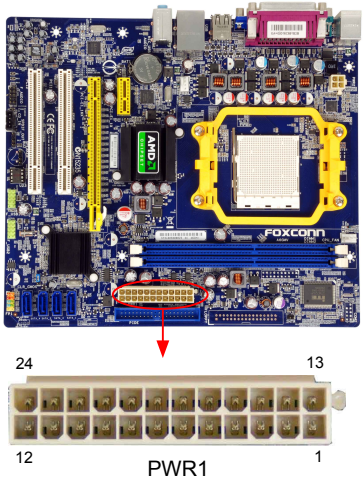
2-4 Install other Internal Connectors

Power Connectors

This motherboard uses an ATX power supply. In order not to damage any device, make sure all the devices have been installed properly before applying the power supply.

24-pin ATX power connector : PWR1

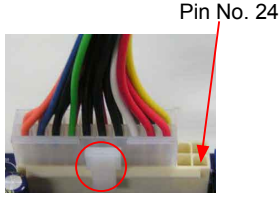
PWR1 is the ATX power supply connector. Make sure that the power supply cable and pins are properly aligned with the connector on the motherboard. Firmly plug the power supply cable into the connector and make sure it is secure.



Pin #	Definition	Pin #	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	NC
9	+5V SB(Stand by +5V)	21	+5V
10	+12V	22	+5V
11	+12V	23	+5V
12	3.3V	24	GND

CAUTION

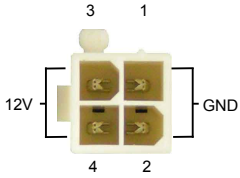
We recommend you using a 24-pin power supply. If you are using a 20-pin power supply, you need to align the ATX power connector according to the picture.



20-Pin Power

4-pin ATX 12 V Power Connector : PWR2

Connect the 4-pin ATX 12V power supply to PWR2 and provides power to the CPU.



Pin #	Definition
1	GND
2	GND
3	+12V
4	+12V

Front Panel Connector : FP1

This motherboard includes one connector for connecting the front panel switch and LED Indicators.

Hard Disk LED Connector (HDD-LED)

Connect to the chassis front panel IDE indicator LED. It indicates the active status of the hard disks. This 2-pin connector is directional with +/- sign.

Reset Switch (RESET-SW)

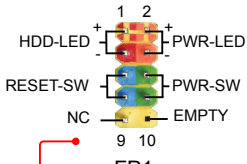
Attach the connector to the Reset switch on the front panel of the case; the system will restart when the switch is pressed.

Power LED Connector (PWR-LED)

Connect to the power LED indicator on the front panel of the chassis. The Power LED indicates the system's status. When the system is in operation (S0 status), the LED is on. When the system gets into sleep mode (S1) , the LED is blinking; When the system is in S3/S4 sleep state or power off mode (S5), the LED is off. This 2-pin connector is directional with +/- sign.

Power Switch Connector (PWR-SW)

Connect to the power button on the front panel of the chassis. Push this switch allows the system to be turned on and off rather than using the power supply button.



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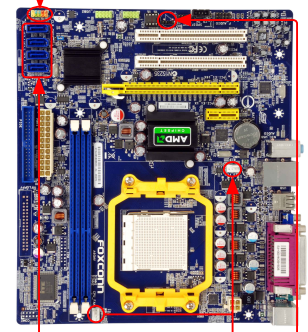
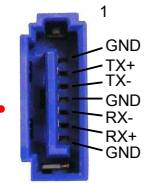


Serial ATA Connectors : SATA_1/2/3/4

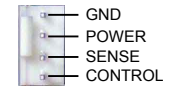
The Serial ATA connector is used to connect with SATA Hard Disk or CD devices which support this feature. The current Serial ATA II interface allows up to 3Gb/s data transfer rate.



SATA_1/2/3/4

Fan Connectors : CPU_FAN, SYS_FAN

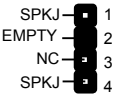
There are two main fan headers on this motherboard. The fan speed can be controlled and monitored in "PC Health Status" section of the BIOS Setup. These fans can be automatically turned off after the system enters S3, S4 and S5 sleeping states.



CPU_FAN/SYS_FAN

Speaker Connector : SPEAKER

The speaker connector is used to connect speaker of the chassis.



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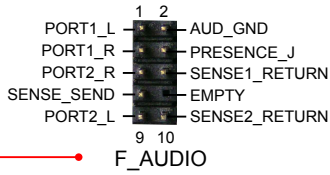
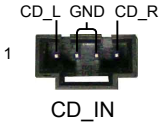
Audio Connector : F_AUDIO

The audio connector supports HD Audio standard. It provides the Front Audio output choice.



Audio Connector : CD_IN

CD_IN is a Sony standard audio connector, it can be connected to a CD/DVD-ROM drive through a CD/DVD audio cable.

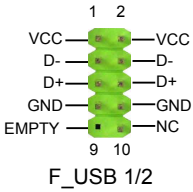


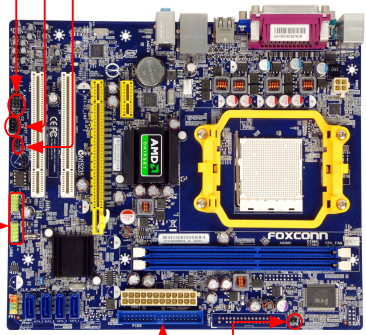
S/PDIF Connector : SPDIF_OUT

The connector is used for S/PDIF output.

USB Connectors : F_USB 1/2

In addition to the four USB ports on the rear panel, this product also provides two 10-pin USB headers on its motherboard. By connecting through USB cables with them, user can quickly expand another four USB ports on the front panel.



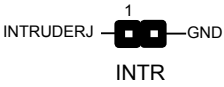


IDE Connector : PIDE

With the provided Ultra DMA IDE ribbon cable, you can connect to any IDE type of hard disk and CD/DVD ROM/RW drive.

Chassis Intruder Alarm Connector : INTR

The connector can be connected to a security switch on the chassis. The system can detect the chassis intrusion through the function of this connector. If eventually the chassis is closed, the system will send a message out.



2-5 Jumpers

For some features needed, users can change the jumper settings on this motherboard to modify them. This section explains how to use the various functions of this motherboard by changing the jumper settings. Users should read the following content carefully prior to modifying any jumper setting.

Description of Jumpers

1. For any jumper on this motherboard, pin 1 can be identified by the bold silkscreen next to it. However, in this manual, pin 1 is simply labeled as “1”.
2. The following table explains different types of the jumper settings. "Closed" means placing a jumper cap on the two pins to temporarily short them. The shorting can also be done by touching two pins by a screwdriver for a few seconds, but using jumper cap is recommended. It can prevent hazardous ESD (Electrical Static Discharge) problem.

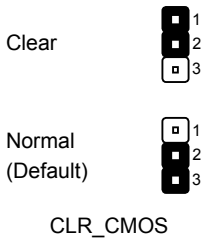
Jumper	Diagram	Definition	Description
1	1	1-2	Set Pin 1 and Pin 2 closed
	1	2-3	Set Pin 2 and Pin 3 closed

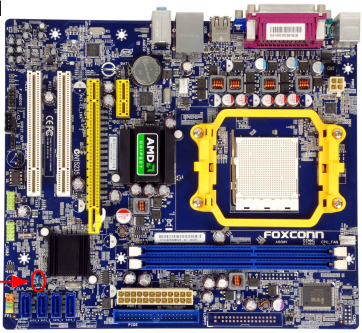
Clear CMOS Jumper: CLR_CMOS

The motherboard uses CMOS RAM to store the basic hardware information (such as BIOS data, date, time information, hardware password...etc.). Clear CMOS data is the fast way to go back to factory default when the BIOS settings were mistakenly modified.

The steps to clear CMOS data are :

1. Turn off the computer, unplug the power cord from the power outlet.
2. Remove jumper cap from pins 2-3, put it onto pins 1-2 to short them. This will clear CMOS data.
3. Return the setting to its original with pins 2-3 closed.
4. Plug in the power cord to your computer and turn it on.
5. Go to BIOS Setup to configure new system as described in next chapter.





WARNING!

- Disconnect the power cable before adjusting the jumper settings.
- Do not clear the CMOS while the system is turned on.

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This chapter tells how to change system settings through the BIOS Setup menus. Detailed descriptions of the BIOS parameters are also provided.

You have to run the Setup Program when the following cases occur:

1. An error message appears on the screen during the system Power On Self Test (POST) process.
2. You want to change the default CMOS settings.

This chapter includes the following information :

- Enter BIOS Setup
- Main Menu
- System Information
- Advanced BIOS Features
- Fox Central Control Unit
- Advanced Chipset Features
- Integrated Peripherals
- Power Management Setup
- PC Health Status
- BIOS Security Features
- Load Optimal Defaults
- Save & Exit Setup
- Exit Without Saving

Since BIOS could be updated some other times, the BIOS information described in this manual is for reference only. We do not guarantee the content of this manual will remain consistent with the newly released BIOS at any given time in the future. Please visit our website for updated manual if it is available.

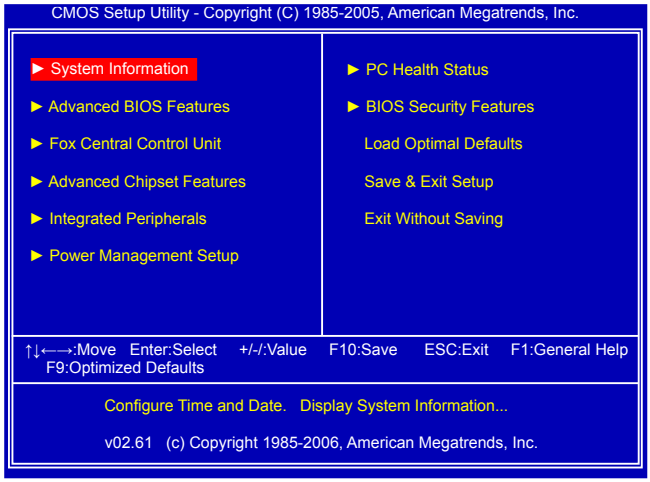
Enter BIOS Setup

The BIOS is the communication bridge between hardware and software, correctly setting up the BIOS parameters is critical to maintain optimal system performance. Power on the computer, when the message "**Press <DEL> to enter Setup, <ESC> to boot menu**". appears at the bottom of the screen, you can press <DEL> key to enter SETUP.

We do not suggest that you change the default values in the BIOS Setup, and we shall not be responsible for any damage which resulted from the change you made.

Main Menu

The main menu allows you to select from a list of setup functions together with two exit choices. Use the arrow keys to select a specific item and press <Enter> to go to the submenu.



Each item in the main menu is explained below:

► **System Information**

It displays the basic system configuration, such as CPU Name, memory size plus system date, time. They all can be viewed or set up through this menu.

► **Advanced BIOS Features**

The advanced system features can be set up through this menu. There are boot up settings.

► **Fox Central Control Unit**

Some special proprietary features can be set up through this menu.

► **Advanced Chipset Features**

The values for the chipset can be changed through this menu, and the system performance can be optimized.

► **Integrated Peripherals**

All onboard peripherals can be set up through this menu. There are IDE devices, Super I/O devices such as Serial I/O and other USB devices... etc.

► **Power Management Setup**

All the items related with Green function features can be set up through this menu.

► **PC Health Status**

This setup enables you to read/change Fan speeds, and displays temperatures and voltages of your CPU/System.

► **BIOS Security Features**

The Supervisor/User password can be set up through this menu to prevent unauthorized use of your computer. If you set a password, the system will ask you to key in correct password before boot or access to Setup.

► **Load Optimal Defaults**

The optimal performance settings can be loaded through this menu. However, it may offer better performance in some ways (such as less I/O cards, less memory ...etc.), still, it may cause problem if you have more memory or I/O cards installed. It means, if your system loading is heavy, set to optimal default may sometimes come out an unstable system. What you need now is to adjust BIOS setting one by one, trial and error, to find out the best setting for your current system.

► **Save & Exit Setup**

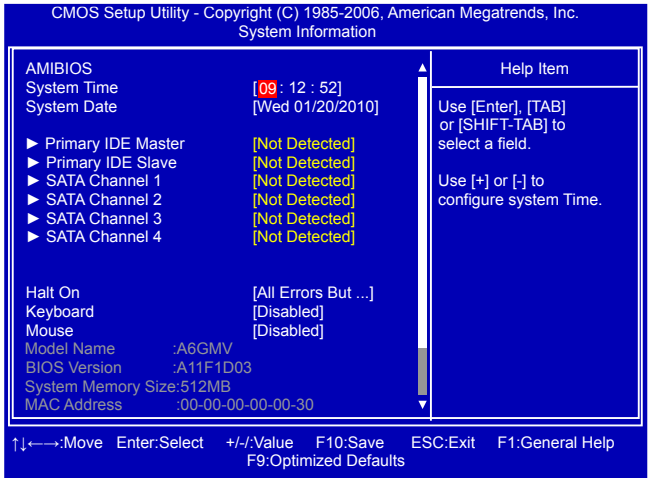
Save setting values to CMOS and exit.

► **Exit Without Saving**

Do not change anything and exit the setup.

System Information

This sub-menu is used to set up the standard BIOS features, such as the date, time and so on. Use the arrow up/down keys to select an item, then use the <+> or <-> keys to change the setting.



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► System Time

This item allows you to configure the desired time. Use [ENTER] to enter the setting, then use [TAB] to move forward a field. Use [+] or [-] to input the value.

The three fields of the setting are <hour> : <minute> : <second> respectively.

► System Date

<weekday><month><date> <year> format.

Day—weekday from Sun. to Sat., this message is automatically displayed by BIOS (Read Only).

Month—month from 1 to 12.

Date—date from 1st to 31st.

Year—year, set up by users.

Use [ENTER], [TAB] or [SHIFT-TAB] to select a field. Use [+] or [-] to input the value.

► Primary IDE Master/Slave

While entering setup, BIOS automatically detects the presence of IDE devices. This item displays the drive information of IDE devices.

► SATA Channel 1/2/3/4

While entering setup, BIOS automatically detects the presence of SATA devices. This item displays the drive information of SATA devices.

► Halt On

This category determines whether or not the computer will stop if an error is detected during powering up.

[All Errors] : All errors can result in system halt.

[All Errors But...] : All errors but keyboard or mouse or floppy can result in system halt. The halt condition can be enabled/disabled in the next three settings.

► Keyboard

The system boot will not stop for a keyboard error if you enabled this item.

► **Mouse**

The system boot will not stop for a mouse error if you enabled this item.

► **Model Name**

Model name of this product.

► **BIOS Version**

It displays the current version. User can check this information and discuss with the field service people if a BIOS upgrade is needed.

► **System Memory Size**

This item displays the current memory size. The size is depending on how many memory modules were installed in your system before powering on.

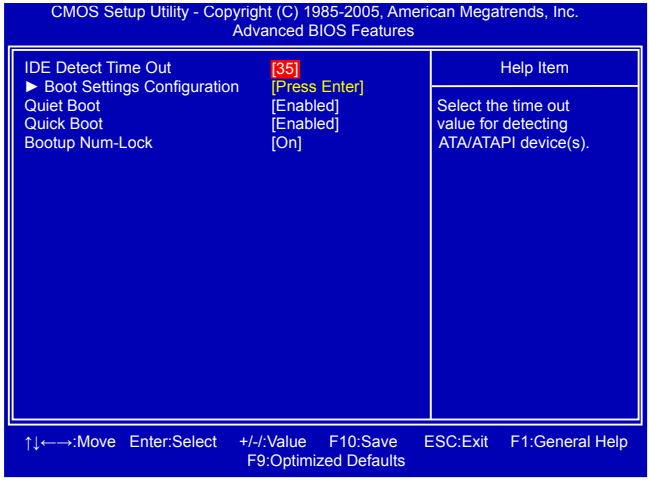
► **MAC Address**

This item shows the onboard LAN MAC address.

► **CPU Name**

It displays the current CPU name.

Advanced BIOS Features



► IDE Detect Time Out

This item is used to select the time out value for detecting ATA/ATAPI devices. If the checking time is over the set value, the system will skip it.

►Boot Settings Configuration

This option is used to select the priority for boot devices. After pressing <Enter>, you can select the device using the Up/Down arrow keys, and change the device priority using <+> or <->; you can exit this menu by pressing <Esc>.

► Quick Boot

While Enabled, this option allows BIOS to skip certain tests while booting, this will shorten the time needed to boot the system.

► Quiet Boot

This item is used to enable/disable the quiet boot.

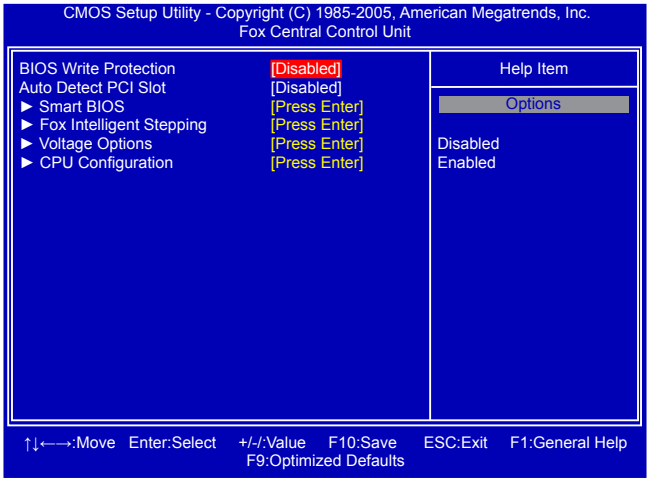
[Disabled] : Displays the normal POST messages.

[Enabled] : Displays OEM customer logo instead of POST messages.

► Bootup Num-Lock

This item defines if the keyboard Num Lock key is active when your system is started. The available settings are: On (default) and Off.

Fox Central Control Unit



► **BIOS Write Protection**

To protect the system BIOS from virus attack, there is a BIOS write-protection mechanism provided. Super BIOS Protect function protects your BIOS from being affected by viruses, e.g. CIH.

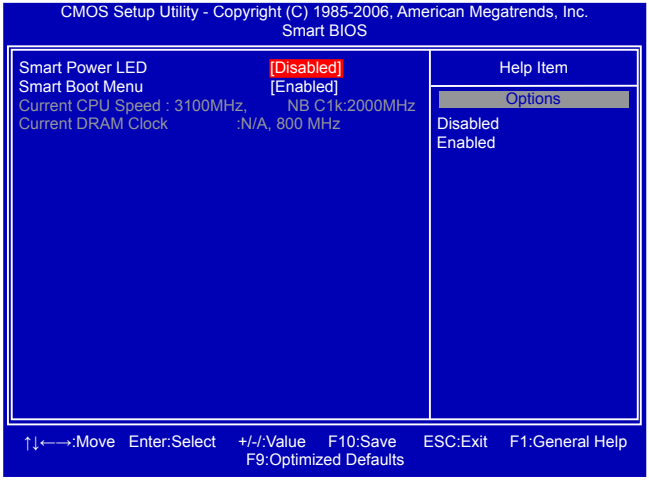
► **Auto Detect PCI Slot**

This option is used to auto detect PCI slot. When enabled, the system will turn off clock of the empty PCI slot to reduce EMI (Electromagnetic Interference).

► **Smart BIOS / Fox Intelligent Stepping / Voltage Options / CPU Configuration**

Press <Enter> to go to its submenu.

Smart BIOS



► Smart Power LED

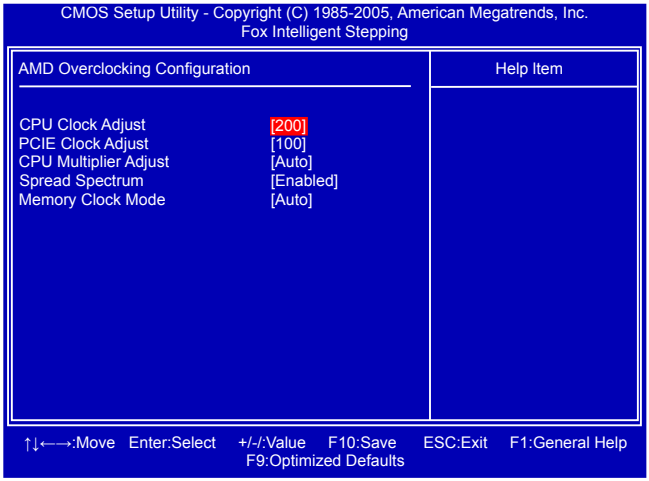
Smart Power LED is a feature built on your motherboard to indicate different states during Power-On Self-Test (POST). The LED is located at the front panel, and it displays POST state by different long-short blinking intervals. You can always leave this state enabled.

System Status	Power LED Status
Normal	On
No CPU Fan	Blinking once (blinking 0.5 sec., off 0.5 sec.)
No Display	Blinking once (blinking 2 sec., off 2 sec.)
No Memory	Blinking twice
Post Error Message	Blinking thrice

► Smart Boot Menu

When PC starts, it will ask you to press [Del] key to enter setup or press [Esc] key to enter smart boot menu. If [Disabled] is selected, then pressing [Esc] has no function. This also prevents user without password trying to get into your computer through smart boot menu.

Fox Intelligent Stepping



► **CPU Clock Adjust**

This option is used to adjust the CPU clock.

► **PCIE Clock Adjust**

This option is used to adjust the speed of PCI Express slot. It may enhance the graphics card speed.

► **CPU Multiplier Adjust (Optional only if CPU supports)**

This option is used to adjust the CPU Clock Ratio. Multiply CPU clock with this ratio, you can get the CPU speed. Increase this ratio may overclock your CPU. This option will be displayed only if your CPU is supporting this feature.

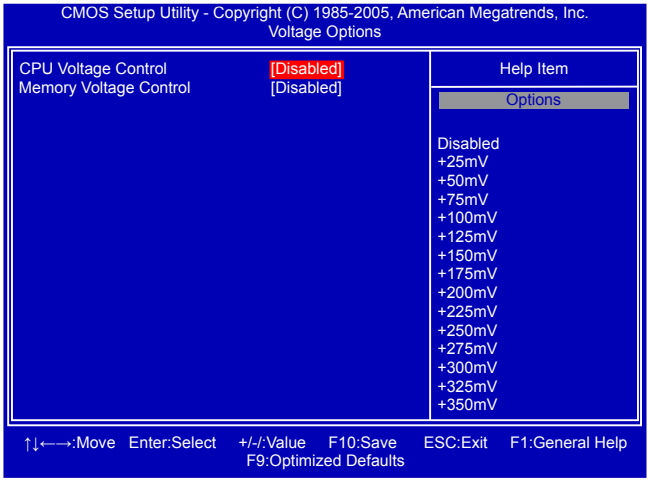
► **Spread Spectrum**

If you enabled this function, it can significantly reduce the EMI (Electromagnetic Interference) generated by the system, so to comply with FCC regulation. But if overclocking is activated, you had better disable it.

► **Memory Clock Mode**

This option is used to set the mode for Memory clock.

Voltage Options



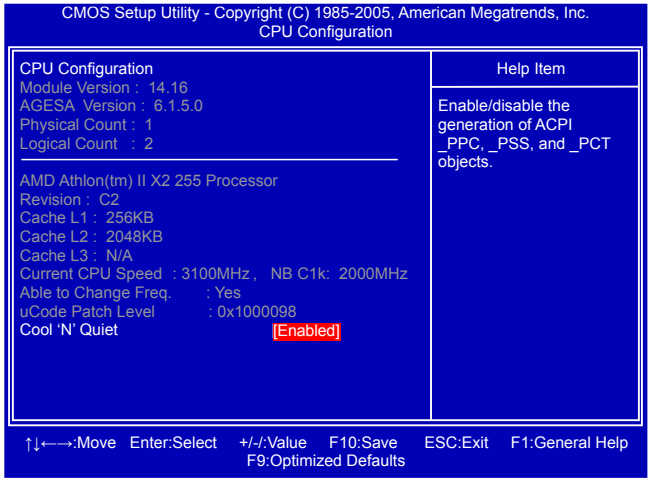
► CPU Voltage Control

This option is used to change the CPU voltage in a step of 25mV.

► Memory Voltage Control

This option is used to change the DRAM voltage in a step of 100mV.

CPU Configuration

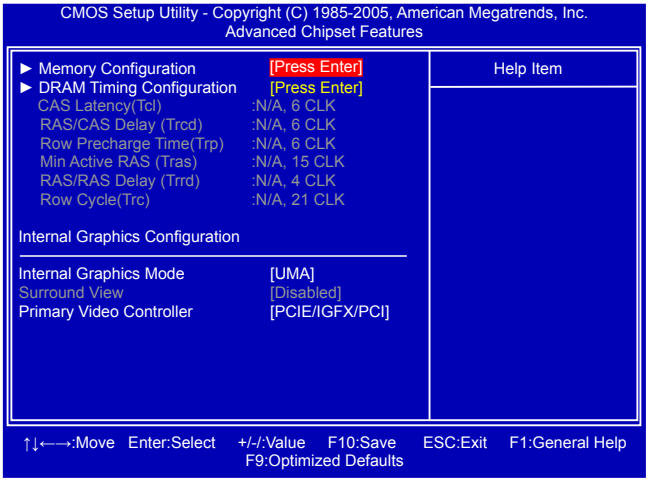


This menu shows most of the CPU specifications.

► Cool 'N' Quiet (Appear only when CPU supports)

This option helps lowering down the CPU frequency and voltage when system is idling. When the CPU speed is slowing down, the temperature will drop as well.

Advanced Chipset Features



► **Memory Configuration/DRAM Timing Configuration**

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► **CAS Latency(Tcl)**

This item shows the CAS latency. The CAS Latency is the number of clock cycles that elapse from the time the request for data is sent to the actual memory location until the data is transmitted from the module.

► **RAS/CAS Delay(Trcd)**

This item displays a delay time (in clock cycles) between the CAS and RAS strobe signals.

► **Row Precharge Time(Trp)**

This item shows the number of clock cycles taken between issuing of the precharge command and the active command. The DRAM row precharge time is in unit of clock cycle.

► **Min Active RAS(Tras)**

Displays the number of clock cycles taken between a bank active command and issuing of the precharge command.

► **RAS/RAS Delay(Trrd)**

This item displays a delay time (in clock cycles) between the RAS and RAS strobe signals.

► **Row Cycle(Trc)**

This item shows the minimum timing interval between successive active commands to the same bank. The row cycle time is in unit of clock cycle.

► **Internal Graphics Mode**

Enable/Disable the integrated UMA graphics controller.

► **Surround View**

SurroundView is the ATI technology that provides multi-graphics controller display capability for both the ATI PCIe-based graphics card and the ATI integrated graphics processor (IGP). Enabling SurroundView does not impact display modes (resolution and color depth) or performance. The display mode of each output is controlled independently by the graphics controller connected to it.

1. When using a non-ATI PCI Express (PCIe) graphics card, SurroundView is not supported. The integrated graphics processor (IGP) is automatically disabled, and the system memory

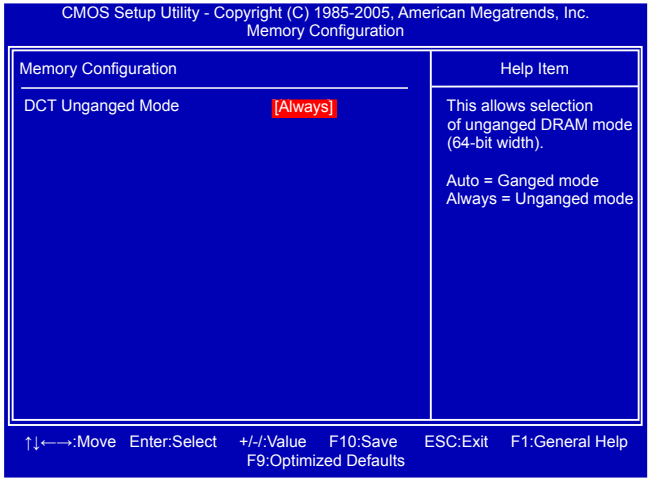
allocated to the IGP is freed for other use.

2. When installing an ATI PCIe graphics card, SurroundView is disabled by default. Enabling SurroundView in the BIOS enables the integrated UMA graphics controller, which in turn makes available up to two additional graphics outputs. When enabling the integrated UMA graphics controller, system memory will be reallocated.

► **Primary Video Controller**

This item is used to choose the primary video controller .

Memory Configuration



► **DCT Unganged Mode**

DCT stands for DRAM Controller.

Ganged refers to the use of both DRAM controllers within a memory controller acting in concert to access memory. For a description of ganged (128-bit DRAM data width) and unganged (64-bit DRAM data width) DRAM modes :

Ganged channels:

- DCT channels A and B can be ganged as a single logical 128-bit DIMM.
- Offers highest DDR bandwidth.
- Requires both DIMMs in a logical pair to have identical size and timing parameters, both DCTs programmed identically.

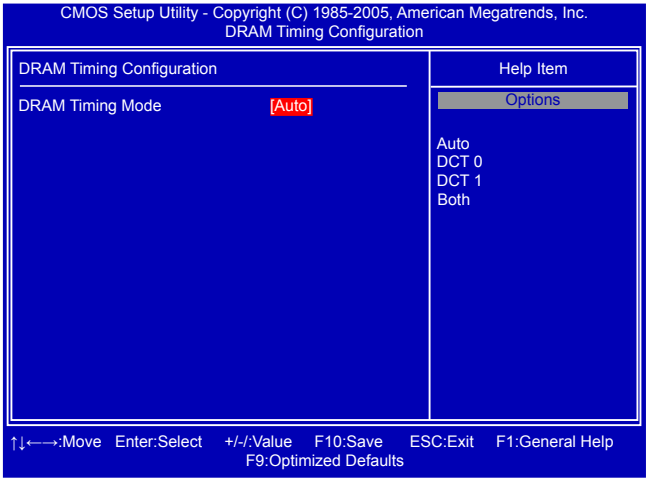
Unganged channels

- DCT channels A and B operate as two completely independent 64-bit channels (both channels operate at the same frequency).
- Reduce DRAM page conflicts – more concurrent open dram pages.
- Better bus efficiency.

Burst lengths supported

When both DCTs are enabled in unganged mode, BIOS must initialize the frequency of each DCT in order.

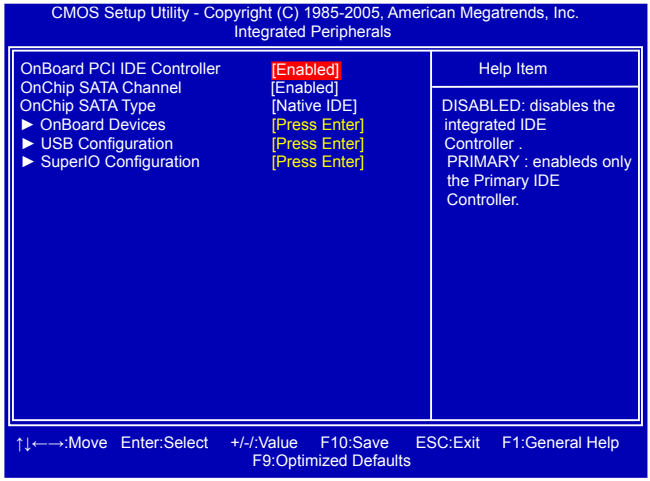
DRAM Timing Configuration



► **DRAM Timing Mode**

When both DCTs (DRAM controller) are enabled in unganged mode, BIOS must initialize the frequency of each DCT in order, you also can configure the timings manually.
Settings are : [Auto], [DCT 0], [DCT 1], [Both].

Integrated Peripherals



► **OnBoard PCI IDE Controller**

This item is used to enable or disable the IED controller.

► **OnChip SATA Channel**

[Disabled] : Disable SATA controller.

[Enabled] : Enable SATA controller.

► **OnChip SATA Type**

This item is used to set the operating mode of your SATA ports.

Options : [Native IDE]; [RAID]; [Legacy IDE]; [IDE -> AHCI].

[Native IDE] - This configures the SATA ports to support native IDE mode.

[RAID] - When you enable RAID, it means all your SATA drives must also support AHCI.

[Legacy IDE] - This configures the SATA ports to support legacy IDE mode which is running for old Windows system .

[IDE -> AHCI] - The Advanced Host Controller Interface (AHCI) specification describes the register

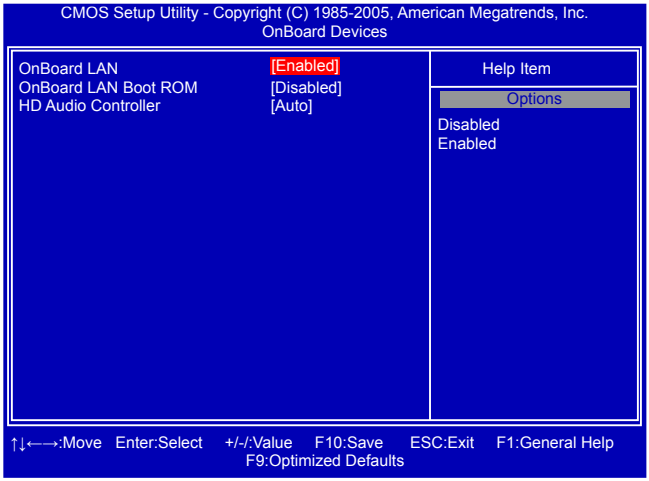
level interface for a Host Controller for Serial ATA. The specification includes a description of the hardware/software interface between system software and the host controller hardware. AHCI provides more advanced features including SATA features, but some SATA drives may not support AHCI, unless they are labeled with AHCI support in its specification.

If your motherboard supporting AHCI, and you have a SATA device, which also supports AHCI, then you can select IDE option to have fair performance (only PATA, SATA level), or you can select AHCI to get its best performance.

► **OnBoard Devices / USB Configuration / SuperIO Configuration**

Press <Enter> to go to relative submenu.

OnBoard Devices



► **OnBoard LAN**

This item is used to enable or disable the onboard LAN controller.

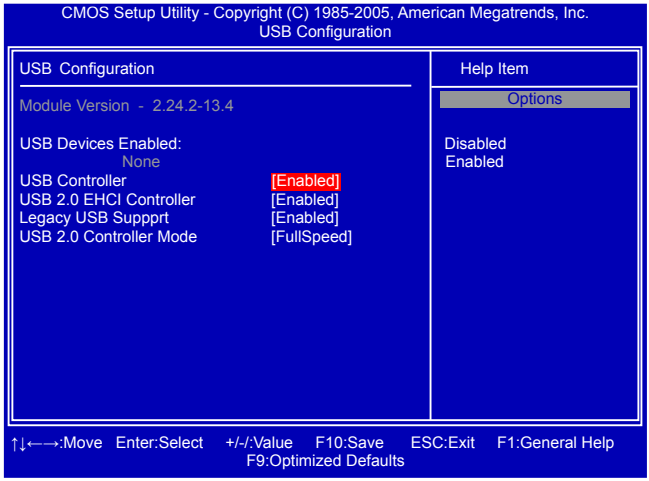
► **OnBoard LAN Boot ROM**

This item is used to enable or disable the onboard LAN boot optional ROM. A LAN boot ROM lets you set up a diskless workstation on the network. By installing a boot ROM in the network board, you can enable a client PC system on the network to be booted remotely.

► **HD Audio Controller**

This item is used to enable or disable the HD Audio Controller.

USB Configuration



► **USB Controller**

This item is used to enable or disable the Universal Host Controller Interface for USB.

► **USB 2.0 EHCI Controller**

This item is used to enable or disable the USB 2.0 EHCI Controller

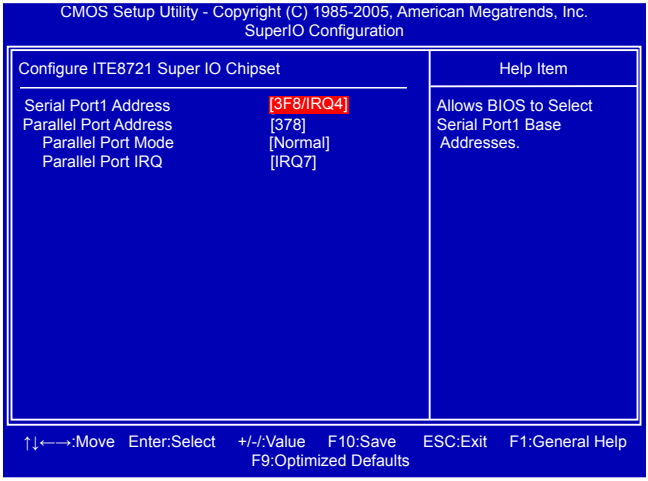
► **Legacy USB Support**

This item is used to enable the support for USB devices on legacy OS. If you have a USB keyboard or mouse, set to auto or enabled.

► **USB 2.0 Controller Mode**

This item is used to set the transmission rate mode of USB 2.0. The available settings are : [High Speed] in 480Mbps; [Full Speed] in 12Mbps.

SuperIO Configuration



► **Serial Port 1 Address**

This item is used to assign the I/O address and interrupt request (IRQ) for the onboard serial port .

► **Parallel Port Address**

This item is used to assign the I/O address and interrupt request (IRQ) for the onboard parallel port .

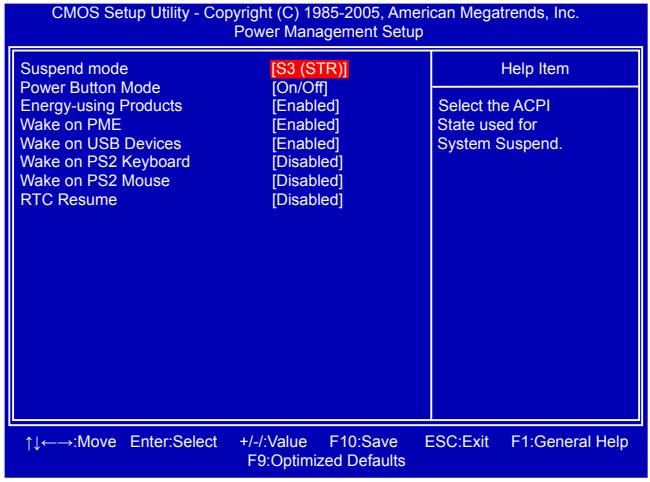
► **Parallel Port Mode**

This item is used to set parallel port mode.

► **Parallel Port IRQ**

This item is used to assign interrupt request (IRQ) for the onboard parallel port .

Power Management Setup



ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface) is an open industry standard interfaces enabling OS-directed configuration, power management, and thermal management of mobile, desktop, and server platforms. It defines five sleeping states, they are :

S1 - The S1 sleeping state is a low wake latency sleeping state. In this state, no system context is lost (CPU or chip set) and hardware maintains all system context. (also called **Power On Suspend**)

S2 - The S2 sleeping state is a low wake latency sleeping state. This state is similar to the S1 sleeping state except that the CPU and system cache context is lost (the OS is responsible for maintaining the caches and CPU context). Control starts from the processor's reset vector after the wake event.

S3 - The S3 sleeping state is a low wake latency sleeping state where all system context is lost except system memory. CPU, cache, and chip set context are lost in this state. Hardware maintains memory context and restores some CPU and L2 configuration context. Control starts from the processor's reset vector after the wake event. (also called **Suspend to RAM**)

S4 - The S4 sleeping state is the lowest power, longest wake latency sleeping state supported by ACPI. In order to reduce power to a minimum, it is assumed that the hardware platform has powered off all devices. Platform context is maintained. (also called **Suspend to Disk**)

S5 - The S5 state is similar to the S4 state except that the OS does not save any context. The system is in the "soft" off state and requires a complete boot when it wakes. Software uses a different state value to distinguish between the S5 state and the S4 state to allow for initial boot operations within the BIOS to distinguish whether or not the boot is going to wake from a saved memory image.

► **Suspend Type**

This item is used to set the energy saving mode of the ACPI function. When you select “S1 (POS)” mode, the power is always on and computer can be resumed at any time. When you select “S3 (STR)” mode, the power will be down after a period of time. The status of the computer before it entering STR will be saved in memory, and the computer can quickly return to previous state when the STR function wakes.

► **Power Button Mode**

This item is used to set the mode of the power button.

► **Energy-using Products**

This item is used to enable/disable the EuP(Energy-using Products) feature. When enable, the suspend power of the chipset will be cut off in S5 suspend mode in order to reduce the power consumption of motherboard.

Enabled:S1/S3/S4 is normal, S5 wake up to only by pressing the power button.

Disabled:Normal ACPI function.

► **Wake on PME**

This item is used to enable/disable the PCI/PCIE devices to generate a wake up.

► **Wake on USB Devices**

This item is used to enable/disable the USB keyboard and mouse to generate a wake up.

► **Wake on PS2 Keyboard**

This item is used to enable/disable the PS2 keyboard to generate a wake up.

► **Wake on PS2 Mouse**

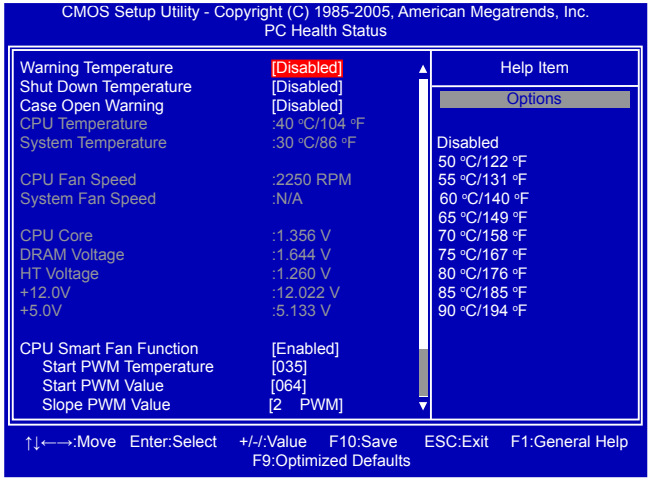
This item is used to enable/disable the PS2 mouse to generate a wake up.

► **RTC Resume**

This item is used to enable/disable RTC alarm event to generate a wake up.

RTC is system real time clock.

PC Health Status



► **Warning Temperature**

This option is used to set the warning temperature for the system. When the temperature of CPU is higher than the set value, the motherboard will send out warning information.

► **Shut Down Temperature**

This item is used to set the system temperature upper limit. When the temperature exceeds the set value, the system will shut down automatically.

This function works only when your operating system is supporting ACPI.

► **Case Open Warning**

This item is used to enable or disable case open warning function.

► **CPU/System Temperature**

The CPU/System temperature are automatically detected and displayed by the system.

► **CPU Fan/System Fan Speed**

The CPU fan/System fan speed are automatically detected and displayed by the system.

► **CPU Core/DRAM Voltage/HT Voltage/+12.0V/+ 5.0V**

The current voltages are automatically detected and displayed by the system.

► **CPU Smart Fan Function / System Smart Fan Function**

This option is used to enable or disable smart fan function.

Set "CPU Smart Fan Function"/"System Smart Fan Function" to [Enabled], the following items appear:

► **Start PWM Temperature**

It allows you set a temperature value from which smart fan starts its operation.

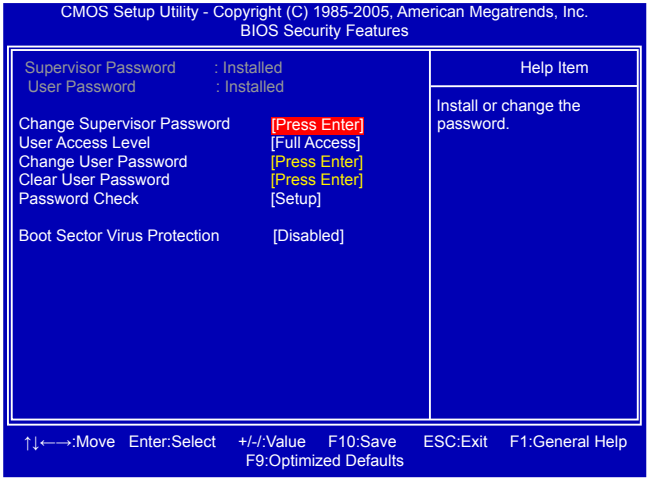
► **Start PWM Value**

It allows you to set an initial PWM value to drive the fan when the temperature reaches Start value and smart fan begins its operation. The higher PWM value can achieve the faster fan speed.

► **Slope PWM Value**

The slope controls the PWM value being stepped up or down versus temperature changes.

BIOS Security Features



► **Change Supervisor Password**

This item is used to install or change supervisor password. After you input Supervisor password, it then will ask you to input user password optionally.

► **User Access Level**

This item is used to set user access level.

The available settings are:

[No Access]: Prevent user access to the setup utility.

[View Only]: Allow access to the setup utility but the fields can not be changed.

[Limited]: Allow only limited fields to be changed, such as date and time.

[Full Access]: Allow any field to be changed except the supervisor password.

► **Change User Password**

This item is used to install or change user password.

► **Clear User Password**

This item will be displayed only when a User Password was set before. It is used to clear the user password.

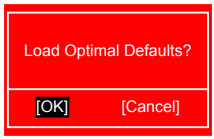
► **Password Check**

When it is set to [Setup], a password is required to enter the BIOS setup; select [Always], a password is required not only to enter BIOS setup, but also on each boot of your PC.

► **Boot Sector Virus Protection**

This item is used to enabled /disable boot sector virus protection.

Load Optimal Defaults

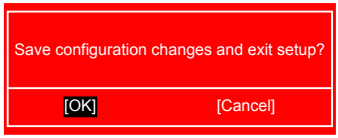


Optimal defaults are the best settings of this motherboard. Always load the Optimal defaults after updating the BIOS or after clearing the CMOS values.

Select this option and press Enter, it will pop out a dialogue box to let you load the defaults. Select <OK> and then press <Enter> to load the defaults. Select <Cancel> and press <Enter>, it will not load.

By this default, BIOS have set the optimal performance parameters of system to improve the performances of system components. But if the optimal performance parameters to be set cannot be supported by your hardware devices (for example, too many expansion cards were installed), the system might fail to work.

Save & Exit Setup



When you select this option and press <Enter>, a message will be displayed in the center of the screen:

Select [OK] to save your changes to CMOS and exit the program, select [Cancel] or <ESC> to return to the main menu.

Exit Without Saving

If you select this option and press <Enter>, the following message will be displayed in the center of the screen:

Select [OK] to exit CMOS without saving your modifications, select [Cancel] or <ESC> to return to the main menu.

The utility CD that came with the motherboard contains useful software and several utility drivers that enhance the motherboard features.

This chapter includes the following information:

- Utility CD content
- Install driver and utility
- FOX ONE
- FOX LiveUpdate
- FOX LOGO
- FOX DMI

Note : Because each module is independent, so the section number will be reorganized and unique to each module, please understand.

Utility CD content

This motherboard comes with one Utility CD. You can simply put it into your CD/DVD-ROM drive, and the main menu will be displayed on your PC screen to guide you how to install.

1. Install Driver

Use these options to install all the drivers for your system. You should install the drivers in order, and you need to restart your computer after all the drivers have been installed.

A. AMD Chipset Driver
B. VIA HDA Audio Driver
C. Realtek811X LAN Driver
D. AMD VGA Driver
E. AMD RAID Driver (It appears when the “OnChip SATA Type” setting in BIOS is set to [RAID])

2. Software Utilities

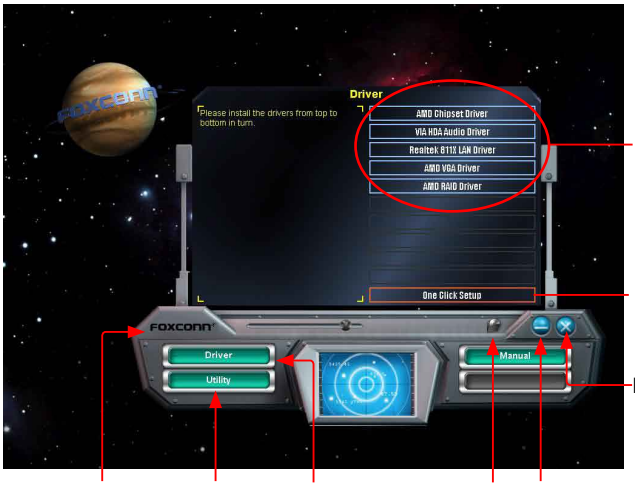
Use these options to install additional software programs. FOX ONE is a very powerful user interface program which allows you to change your system setting without going to BIOS. Some auto features help user to improve (or overclock) your system without being a computer literate.

A. FOX ONE
B. FOX LiveUpdate
C. FOX LOGO
D. FOX DMI
E. Microsoft DirectX 9.0
F. Adobe Acrobat Reader
G. Norton Internet Security
H. AMD RAID Utility
H. Browser Configuration Utility

Install driver and utility

1. Install Driver

You must click "AMD Chipset Driver" to install it first. After that, you can click "One Click Setup" to install all the other drivers left, or you can click on each individual driver to install it manually.



Manual Installation Step by Step

Automatic Installation by One Click.

Exit the program

Click to visit Foxconn's website

Select to Install Utilities

Select to Install Drivers

Browse CD

Drop to System Tray

2. Install Utility

You can select the specific utility to install.

FOX ONE

FOX ONE is a powerful utility for easily modifying system settings. It also allows users to monitor various temperature values, voltage values, frequencies and fan speeds at any time.

With FOX ONE, you can :

- Modify system performance settings, such as the CPU and memory bus speeds, CPU voltages, fan speeds, and other system performance options.
- Monitor hardware temperatures, voltages, frequencies and fan speeds.

CAUTION

Depending on hardware support, voltage monitoring and Fox Intelligent Stepping features are optional and only supported in some models. If the option is selectable, it also means the feature is supported.

- Voltage Monitoring is supported only in FOX ONE Premium & Deluxe products.
- Fox Intelligent Stepping is supported only in FOX ONE Deluxe products.

Supporting Operating Systems :

- Windows 2000
- Windows 2003 (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows 7 (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows XP (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows Vista (32-bit and 64-bit)

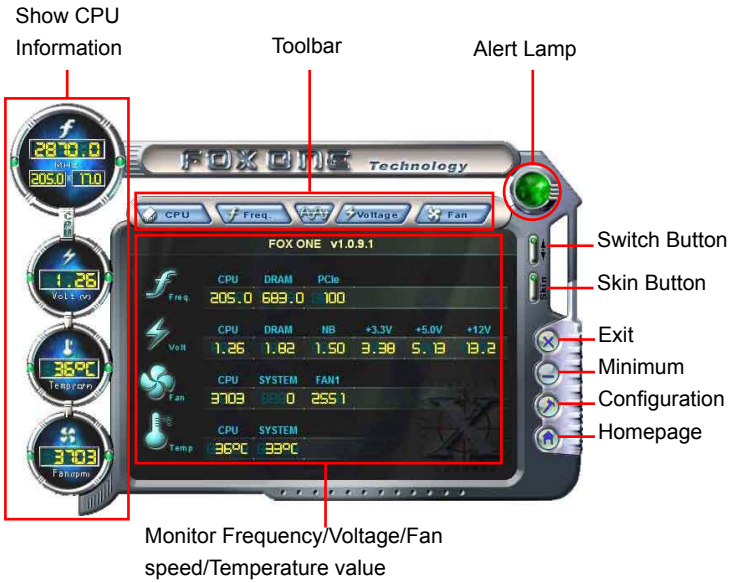
Using FOX ONE :

The very first time you run FOX ONE, F.I.S. Calibration function (FOX Intelligent Stepping) will require you to calibrate the CPU's loading. Click "OK" to proceed and start the Utility. F.I.S. is a feature of FOX ONE, which can automatically adjust your CPU clock based on your current system loading.

CAUTION

Before you running the FOX ONE program, the system parameters (such as CPU clock, voltage...etc.) are controlled by BIOS settings. After you run FOX ONE, it will take over, and the controlling right will be transferred to FOX ONE. Later, if you exit FOX ONE, then BIOS control will be back again.

1. Main Page



Toolbar

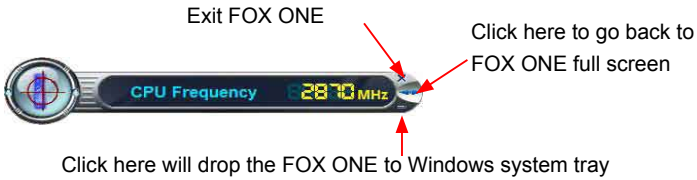
Use the toolbar to navigate to other pages.

Alert Lamp

When the system is in healthy state, the color of alert lamp is green. When the system is in abnormal state, the alert lamp color is red.

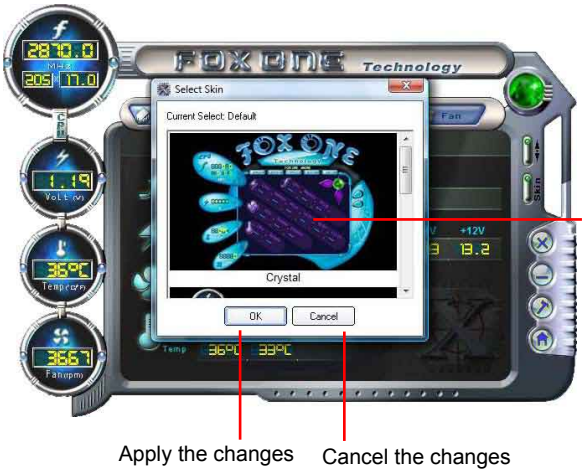
Switch Button

Click this button, it will simplify the whole FOX ONE control panel to a smaller information bar (i.e. Simple Mode) as depicted below, you can drag this bar to any place on your screen to help you monitoring system status.



Skin Button

There are more choices of FOX ONE screen panels. Click this button, you can select your favorite skin (FOX ONE Panel).



Exit

Click this button to exit the program.

Minimum

Click this button to drop the FOX ONE to Windows system tray located at the lower right corner of your screen.

Homepage

Click this button to visit Foxconn motherboard website :
http://www.foxconnchannel.com

Configuration

This menu allows you to configure :

1). Monitor interval (ms) :

This is to define the interval of different messages of system settings which are to be displayed on Simple Mode screen. Minimum value is 1 second.

2). Simple Mode :

To select which message of system settings are to be displayed in the Simple Mode. Messages such as CPU frequency, voltage...etc., they can be displayed one by one in Simple Mode.

3). F.I.S. Calibration (FOX Intelligent Stepping, Optional)

This function will re-calibrate the CPU's loading, and it may take several minutes to proceed. The FOX ONE calibration process will apply different loadings to your CPU, record PWM IC voltage together with the CPU clock running at these loadings, so it can define and estimate within a particular range of system loading, what the CPU clock should be.

Step 1 : Click Calibration icon, a message pops out to ask for continue. Select Yes.

Step 2 : After data is collected, it will ask you to restart your computer now.

Later on, when the FOX ONE program is activated, and F.I.S. feature (in CPU Page) is also enabled, FOX ONE will automatically adjust your CPU clock according to your system loadings. (Loadings are like Power Gaming, Data Mining...etc.)

2. CPU Page - CPU Control

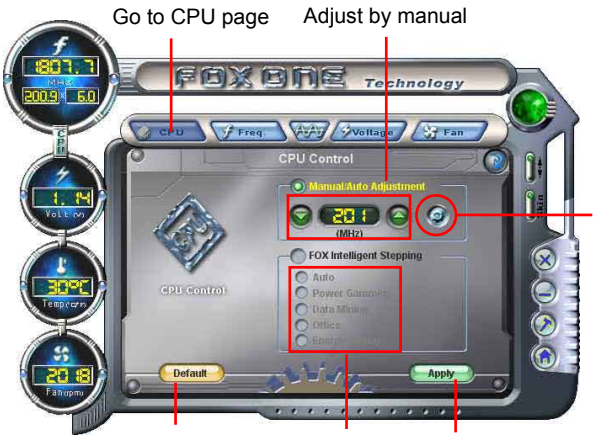
This page lets you select (or overclock) CPU clock to meet the current performance level of the system. The fastest and suitable CPU clock running for current system can be calculated by FOX ONE automatically or manually input by yourselves.

Manual :

You can press the up/down button to adjust your CPU clock.

Auto :

Click this button to let FOX ONE check the highest CPU clock you can use. System will raise the CPU clock step by step until it hangs, you can then push the RESET button on your PC panel to restart the system. When system restarts, run FOX ONE again, it will display a recommended highest CPU clock for you, click <Yes> to apply it.



Press Auto button to let FOX ONE check the highest CPU clock you can use.

A message informs you to push RESET button later if the system hangs finally.
Click Yes to continue.

You can see the system is raising CPU clock until the system hangs.
Push RESET button on the front panel of your system to restart the computer.

Run FOX ONE program again, it will inform you the previous test found that 255MHz is the recommended CPU clock for your system.
Click Yes to apply it to your system.

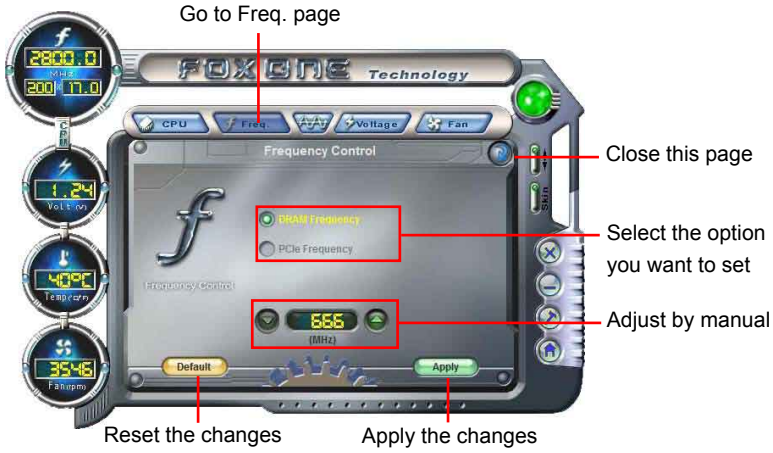
Now, your system is running at a CPU clock of 255MHz.

FOX Intelligent Stepping (F.I.S., Optional)

Select FOX Intelligent Stepping will allow your system to automatically adjust your CPU clock rate based on different system loadings. For example, if you select Power Gaming, CPU clock will be driven to run at its maximum speed. While in Energy Saving, CPU will lower down its speed to a minimum. The four benchmarks - Power Gaming, Data Mining, Office and Energy Saving, the references of their system loading were calculated and defined in the FIS Calibration option of Configuration menu. Select Auto, CPU will automatically adjust its clock according to current system loading.

3. Frequency Page - Frequency Control

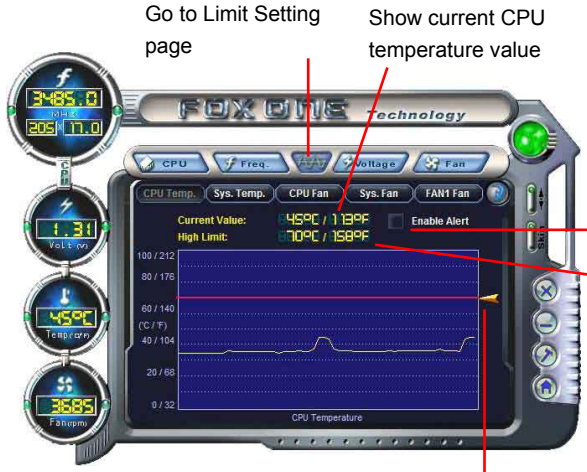
This page lets you set memory and PCI Express frequencies by manual.



4. Limit Setting

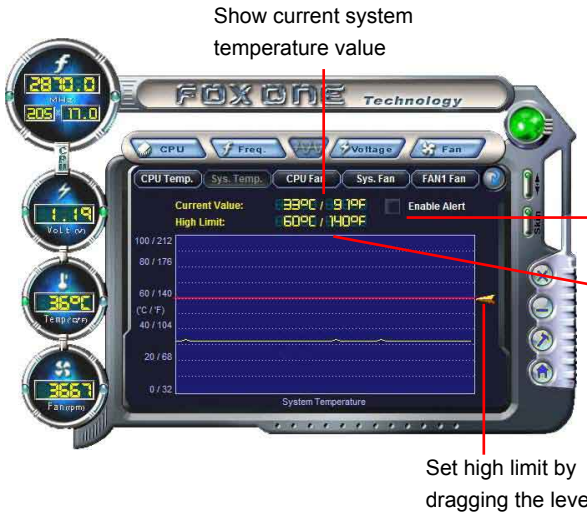
4.1 Limit Setting - CPU Temperature

This page lets you to set CPU high limit temperature and enable the alert function.



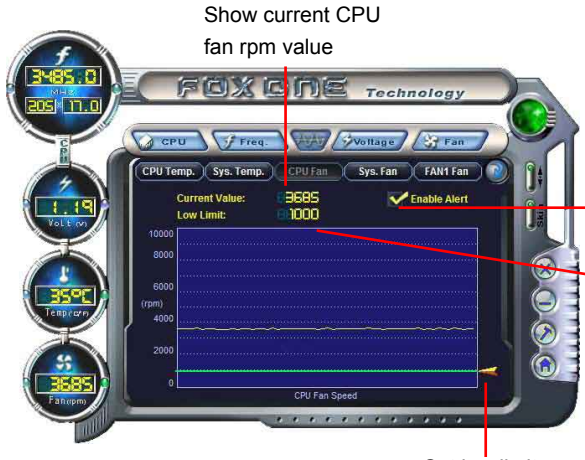
4.2 Limit Setting - System Temperature

This page lets you to set system high limit temperature and enable the alert function.



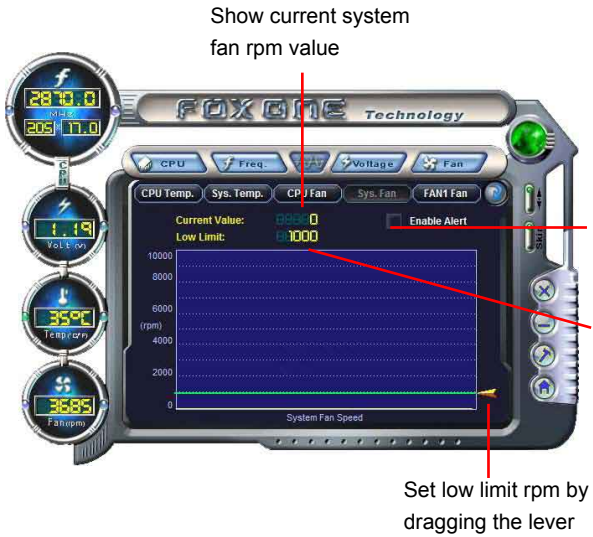
4.3 Limit Setting - CPU Fan

This page lets you to set CPU fan low limit rpm and enable the alert function.



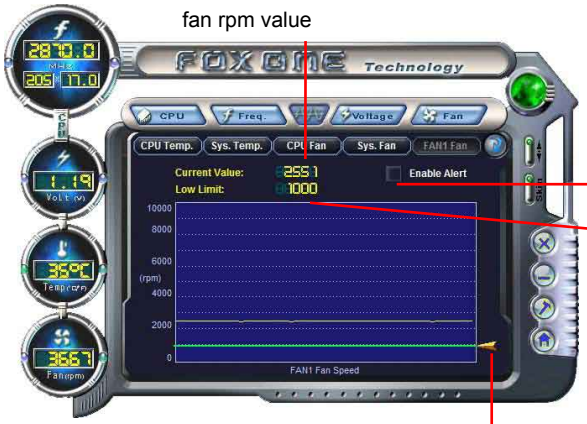
4.4 Limit Setting - System Fan

This page lets you to set system fan low limit rpm and enable the alert function.



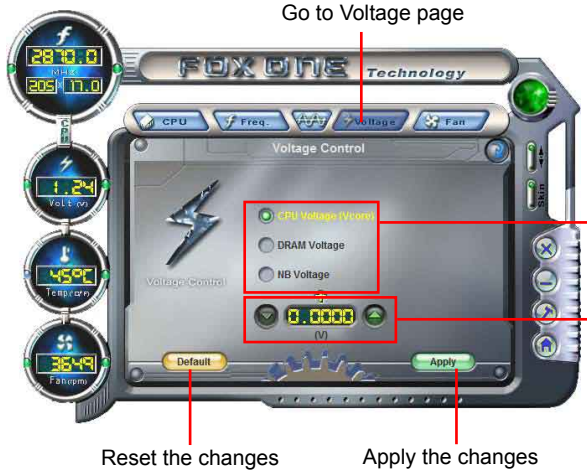
4.5 Limit Setting - FAN1 Fan

This page lets you to set FAN1 fan low limit rpm and enable the alert function.



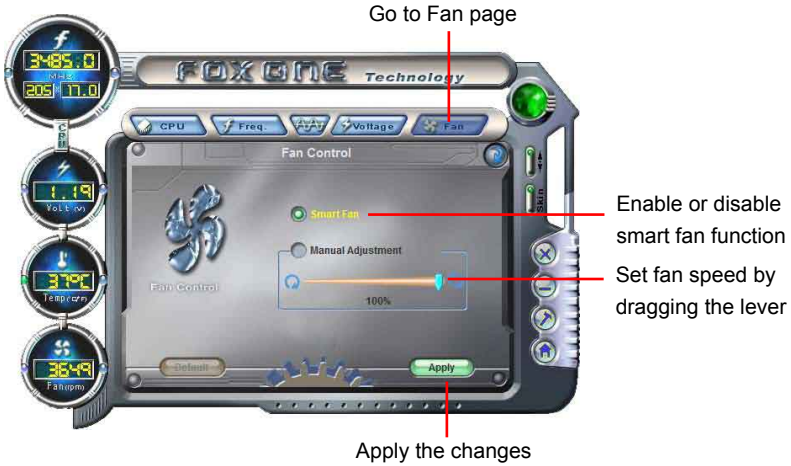
5. Voltage Page - Voltage Control (Optional)

This page lets you set CPU voltage, memory voltage and North Bridge voltage manually. CPU voltage can be stepped up/down by a unit of 12.5mV, while memory is 0.05V/step, and North Bridge is 0.04V/step.



6. Fan Page - Fan Control

This page lets you enable Smart Fan function or set the fan speed by manual.
When Smart Fan is selected, you must use a 4-pin CPU cooler in your system.



FOX LiveUpdate

FOX LiveUpdate is a useful utility to backup and update your system BIOS, drivers and utilities by local or online.

Supporting Operating Systems :

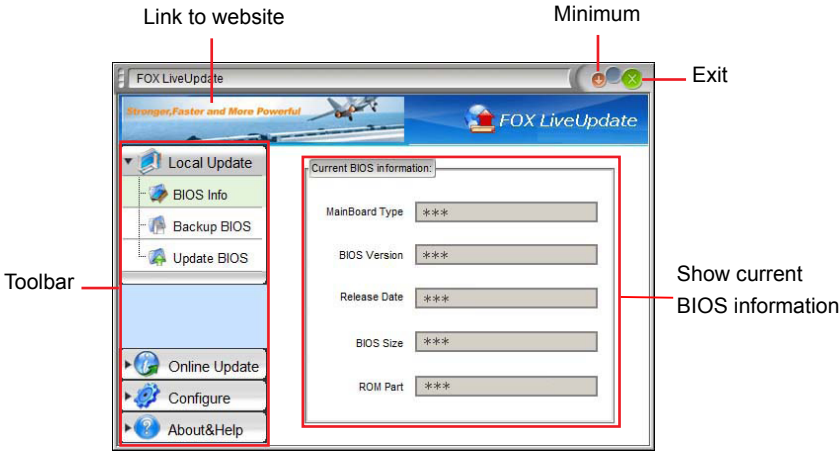
- Windows 2000
- Windows XP (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows 2003 (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows Vista (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows 7 (32-bit and 64-bit)

Using FOX LiveUpdate :

1. Local Update

1-1 Local Update - BIOS Information

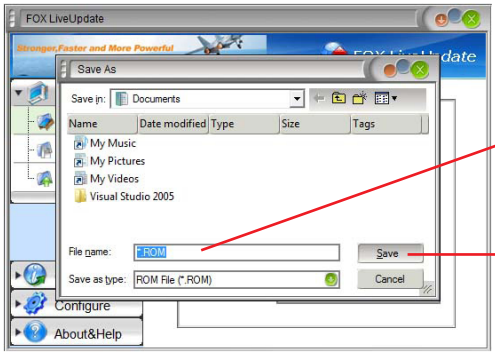
This page lets you know your system BIOS information.



*** : please refer to the physical motherboard for detail.

1-2 Local Update - Backup

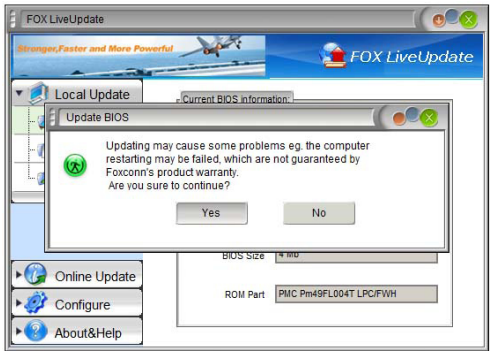
This page can backup your system BIOS. You can click “Backup”, and key in a file name, then click “Save” to finish the backup operation. The extension of this backup file is ".BIN" for Award BIOS and ".ROM" for AMI BIOS. Default directory is "C:\Desktop\My Documents" in Windows XP and "Documents" in Vista. Make sure you can remember the file name together with the directory



which it is stored, prevented that you may need them to recover your BIOS later.

1-3 Local Update - Update

This page helps you to update your BIOS from a local file. After click “Update”, An alert message will be displayed to ensure if you really want to continue, click “Yes” to confirm. A setup wizard will guide you to load a local BIOS file to finish the operation. You must remember from which directory to load your new BIOS file (with an extension of ".BIN" for Award BIOS, ".ROM" for AMI BIOS) before the setup wizard starts.



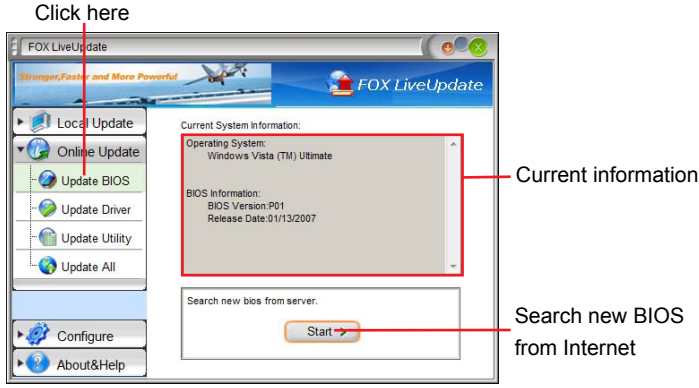
CAUTION

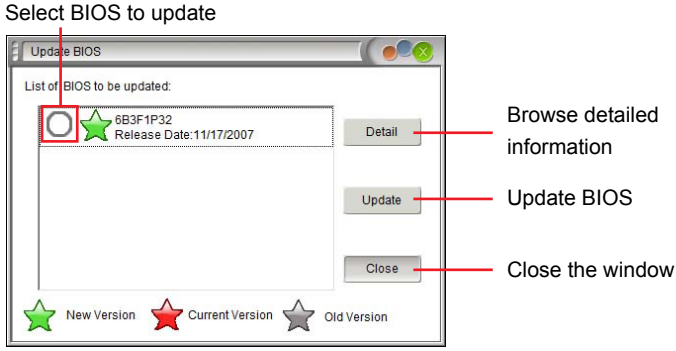
FOX LiveUpdate can automatically backup old BIOS before update. This feature can be enabled in the "Configure-System" setup. Please refer to "Configure-System" section for more detail. The default backup directory is C:\LiveUpdate_Temp, but the backup file name will be automatically generated. It is hard to find it out from a backup directory, and we recommend you using Explorer to check date/time message of this backup file to find it out and write its name down to remember it.

2. Online Update

2-1 Online Update - Update BIOS

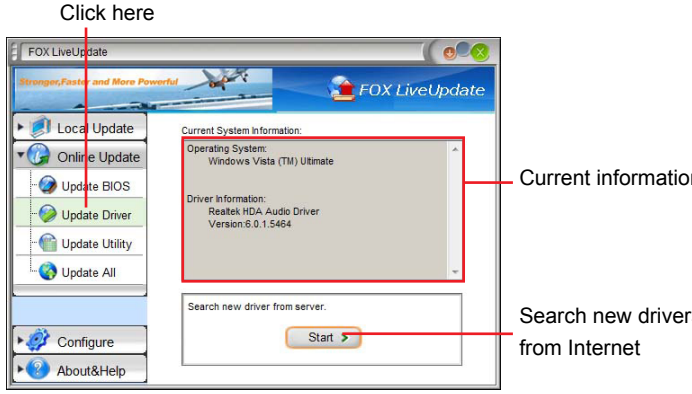
This page lets you update your system BIOS from Internet. Click “start”, it will search the new BIOS from Internet. Then follow the wizard to finish the update operation.

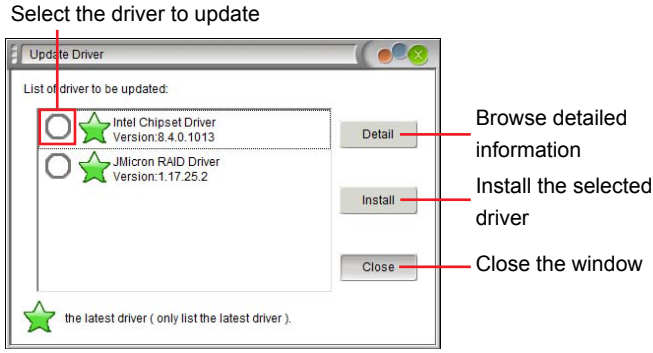




2-2 Online Update - Update Driver

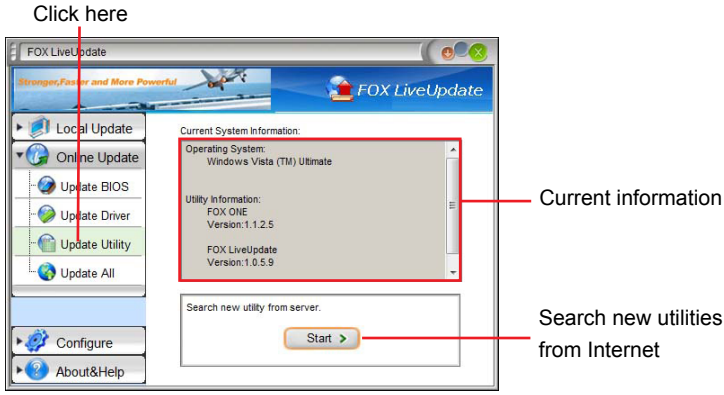
This page lets you update your system drivers from Internet. Click “start”, it will search the new drivers from Internet. Then follow the wizard to finish the update operation.

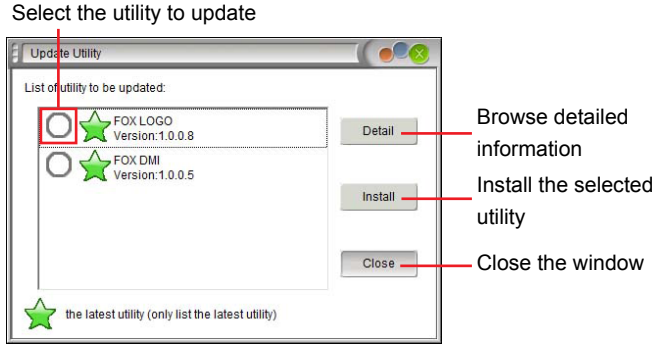




2-3 Online Update - Update Utility

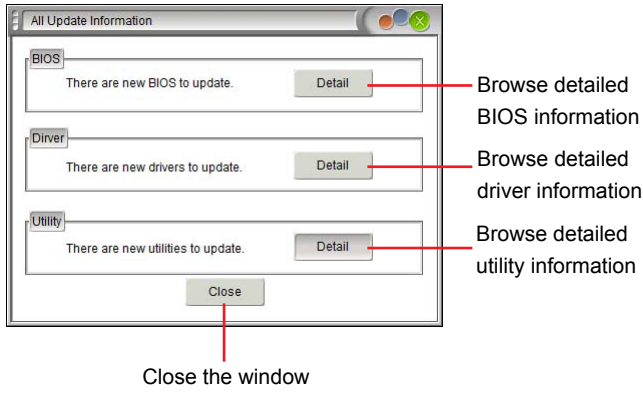
This page lets you update utilities from Internet. Click “start”, it will search the new utilities from Internet. Then follow the wizard to finish the update operation.





2-4 Online Update - Update All

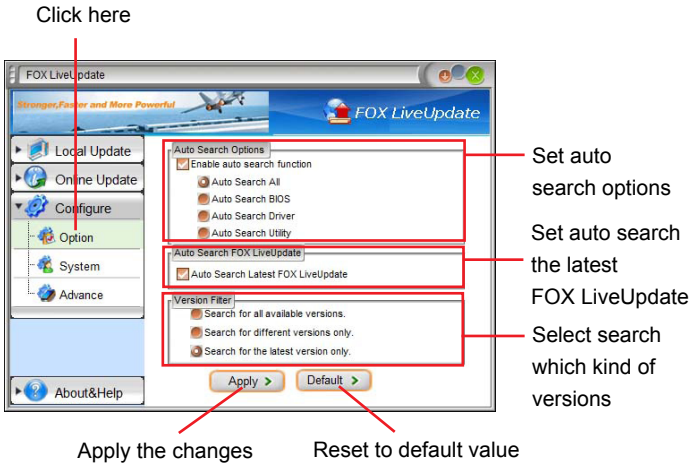
This page lets you update your system drivers from Internet. Click “start”, it will search all new BIOS/drivers/utilities from Internet. Then follow the wizard to finish the update operation.



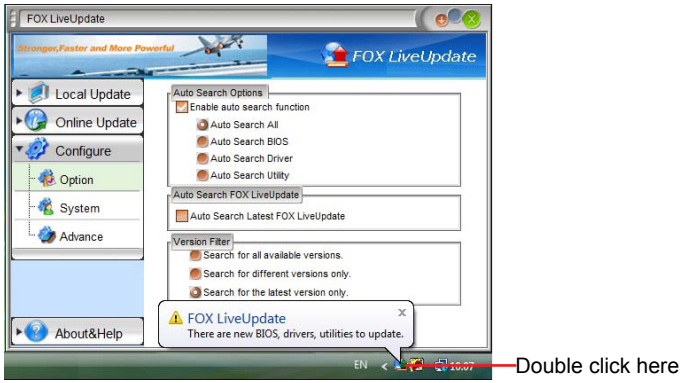
3. Configure

3-1 Configure - option

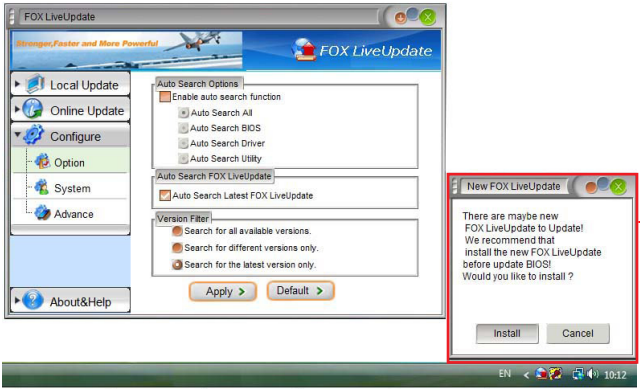
This page lets you set auto search options. After you enable the auto search function, FOX LiveUpdate will start its searching from Internet and if any qualified item found, it will pop out a message on the task bar to inform you to do the next step.



Double click on the icon as show below, you can see the detailed information.

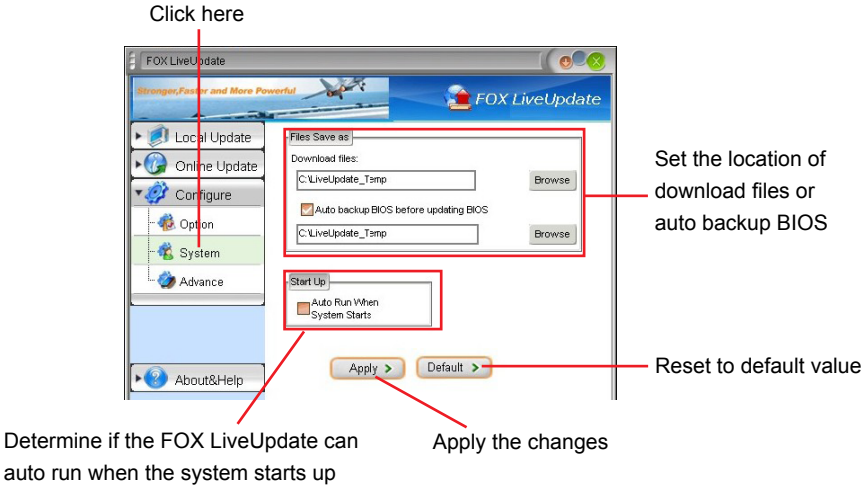


When you enable "Auto Search FOX LiveUpdate", if your FOX LiveUpdate version is older, it will auto search from internet and prompt you to install the new version.



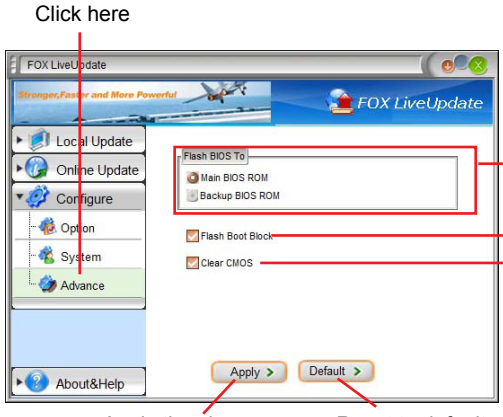
3-2 Configure - System

This page lets you set the backup BIOS location.



3-3 Configure - Advance

This page lets you select to flash BIOS / Boot Block and clear CMOS. If you choose Flash Boot Block, it means BIOS is not protective, and you must make sure the flash process is continuous and without any interruption.

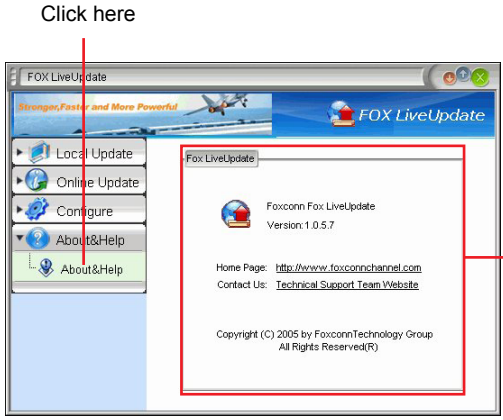


CAUTION

We recommend that you had better keep the default setting unchanged to avoid any damage.

4. About & Help

This page shows some information about FOX LiveUpdate.



FOX LOGO

FOX LOGO is a simple and useful utility to backup, change and delete the boot time Logo. The boot Logo is the image that appears on screen during POST (Power-On Self-Test).

You can prepare a JPG image (1024x768) file, then use FOX LOGO to open it and change the boot time Logo. Boot time Logo will be displayed if you enable the BIOS "Quiet Boot" setting in "Advanced BIOS Features" menu.

Supporting Operating Systems :

- Windows 2000
- Windows XP (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows 2003 (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows Vista (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows 7 (32-bit and 64-bit)

Using FOX LOGO:

Main Page

When you change Logo or delete current Logo, the system will flash BIOS file automatically. During this time, please DO NOT shut down the application and the system, or the motherboard will be damaged seriously.

FOX DMI

FOX DMI is a full Desktop Management Interface viewer, and it provides three DMI data formats : Report, Data Fields and Memory Dump.
With DMI information, system maker can easily analyze and troubleshoot your motherboard if there is any problem occurred.

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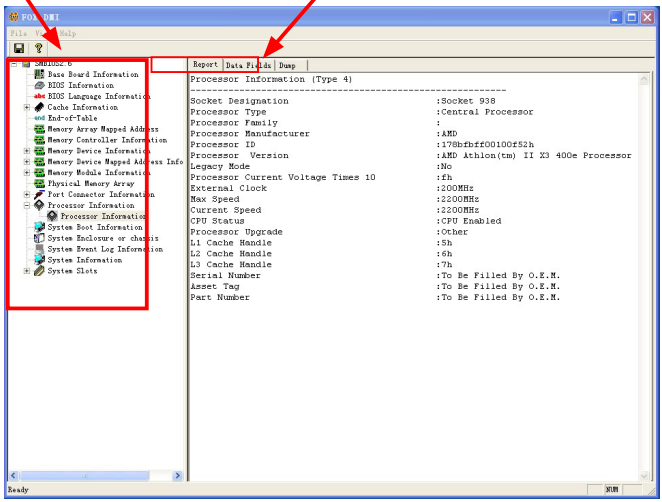
- Windows 2003 (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows Vista (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows 7 (32-bit and 64-bit)

Using FOX DMI:

Please operate this utility as the comments shows.

Click here to select the type you want to view.

Click here to select the DMI Data format you need



This chapter includes the following information :

- RAID Introduction
- Install SATA Hard Disks
- RAID Configuration
- Create RAID Driver Disk
- Install Windows OS

5-1 RAID Introduction

RAID 0 (Striped)
RAID 0 reads and writes sectors of data interleaved among multiple drives. If any disk member fails, it affects the entire array. The disk array data capacity is equal to the number of drive members times the capacity of the smallest member. RAID 0 does not support fault tolerance.

RAID 1 (Mirror)
RAID 1 writes duplicate data onto a pair of drives and reads both sets of data in parallel. If one of the mirrored drives suffers a mechanical failure or does not respond, the remaining drive will continue to function. Due to redundancy, the drive capacity of the array is the capacity of the smallest drive.

RAID 10 (Striped Mirror)
RAID 10 is a combination of striping and mirroring. This configuration provides optimal speed and reliability, but you need four SATA hard disks.

RAID 5 (Parity)
RAID 5 provides data striping at the byte level and also stripes error correction information. This results in excellent performance and good fault tolerance. Level 5 is one of the most popular implementations of RAID.

RAID Ready
A "RAID Ready" system is a specific system configuration that, with the addition of a second Serial ATA hard drive, can be seamlessly migrated to a configuration that provides either improved storage performance or data protection from a single hard drive failure.

JBOD (Span)
JBOD stands for “Just a Bunch of Disks”. Each drive is accessed as if it were on a standard SCSI host bus adapter. This is useful when a single drive configuration is needed, but it offers no speed improvement or fault tolerance. A spanned volume is a formatted partition which data is stored on more than one hard disk, yet appears as one volume. Unlike RAID, spanned volumes have no fault-tolerance, so if any disk fails, the data on the whole volume could be lost. Additionally, the system or boot partitions cannot be included in a spanned volume. FAT16/32 and NTFS file systems may be used, and the volume can span up to 32 hard disks.

CAUTION

The nember of hard disks needed in different RAID level:

RAID Level	RAID 0	RAID 1	RAID 10	RAID 5	RAID Ready	JBOD
Disk NO.	>=2	2	>=4	>=3	>=1	>=1

5-2 Install SATA Hard Disks

1. Shut down your computer.
2. Install SATA hard disks into the drive bays.
3. Connect all the SATA power and SATA data cables.

5-3 RAID Configuration

This motherboard supports RAID 0, RAID 1, RAID10 functions.
Hardware and software you may need here :

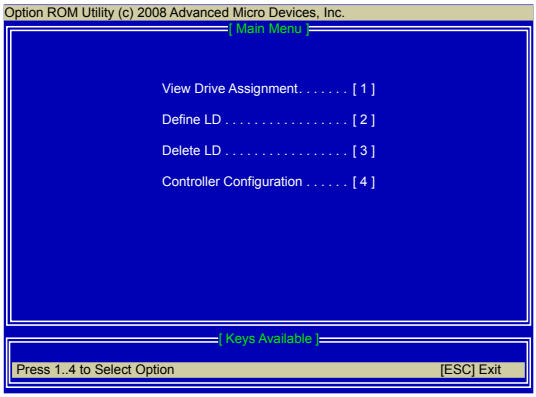
- A floppy drive
- A floppy disk(Or USB disk for Vista)
- Several SATA hard disks
- A DVD-ROM drive
- A motherboard driver CD
- Windows XP or Vista Install CD

RAID Enable in BIOS

1. Boot up your computer, enter the BIOS setup by pressing [Del] key during POST.
2. Set the “OnChip SATA Type” to "RAID".
3. Press [F10] to save the setting, then PC will reboot itself.

Option ROM Utility

When PC is rebooting, press [Ctrl-F] key during POST to enter the main menu of the Option ROM Utility.

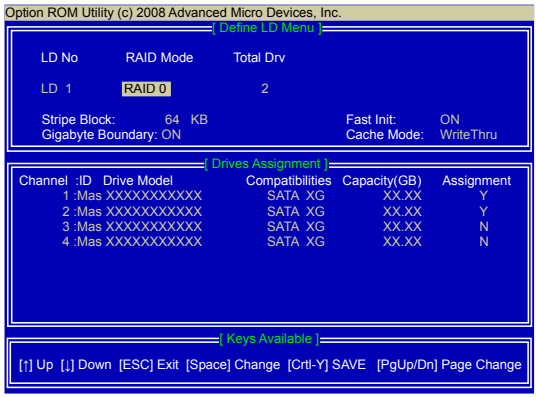


View Drive Assignment: To view the disk drive assignment status by pressing [1].
Define LD: To Create RAID by pressing [2].
Delete LD: To Delete RAID by pressing [3].
Controller Configuration: To view the SATA controller configuration by pressing [4].
Exit: Press [Esc] to exit AMD Option ROM Utility.

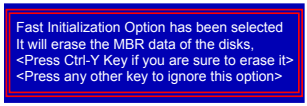
Create RAID array

Here we create RAID 0 as an example:

1. Press [2] in the main menu, "Define LD Menu" appears and the "LD 1" row is highlight, press [Enter], the scree is shown as below:

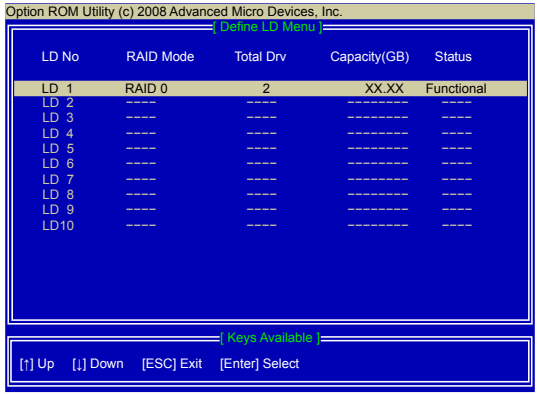


2. Press [Space] to select RAID 0.
3. Use [↓] key to highlight the hard disks, change any two of the drives' "Assignment" status to "Y" by pressing [Space] or [Y].
4. Press [Ctrl-Y] to save the setting, a message prompts:



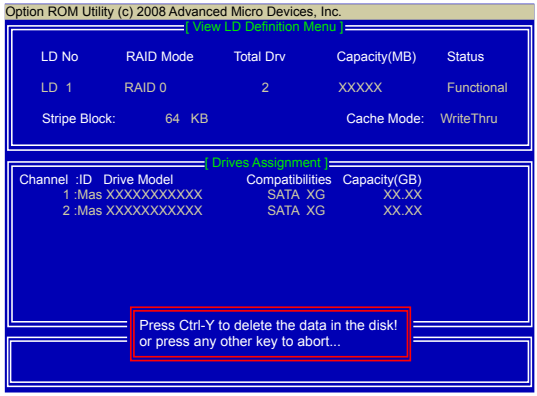
5. Press [Ctrl-Y] to clear the RAID array or press any other key to continue, another prompt appears:

6. Press [Ctrl-Y] to key in the capacity of the RAID array or press any other key to set the array to its maximum. Then you will see the created array:



Delete RAID array

1. Press [3] in the Main Menu to enter the “Delete LD Menu”.
2. Highlight the array you want to delete and press [Del] or [Alt-D] keys.
3. Press [Ctrl-Y] if you are sure to delete the array or other keys to abort.



4-4 Create RAID Driver Disk

If you want to install Windows XP on a hard disk that is configured to RAID mode, a floppy disk with RAID driver is required during the installation. For Windows Vista, you can also use a USB flash disk with RAID driver.

Create a RAID Driver Disk in Windows:

1. Boot your computer and start Windows, put the driver CD into DVD-ROM drive.
2. Insert a floppy disk/USB disk into the floppy disk drive/USB port.
3. Depending on which platform your will install, go to **CD:\Driver\AMD\RAID\Floppy\WinXP** or **WinVista**, click on RaidTool icon to start the floppy creation or copy all the files in **WinXP** or **WinVista** folder to the USB disk.
4. Follow the succeeding screen prompt to complete the process.

Create a RAID Driver Disk without entering OS:

1. Boot your computer, press [Del] during POST to enter BIOS.
2. Insert the driver CD into the optical drive.
3. Set the “1st Boot Device” to “CD/DVD-ROM”, save changes and exit.
4. Press any key when the screen prompts “Press any key to boot from the optical drive.”.
5. Press [1] to create a RAID driver disk when the prompt menu appears.
6. Insert a formatted floppy disk into the floppy disk drive, press [Enter] to continue.
7. Follow the instructions to complete the process.

5-5 Install Windows OS

Install Windows XP

1. Press [Del] during POST to enter BIOS.
2. Insert the Windows XP installation CD into the optical drive.
3. Set the “1st Boot Device” to “CD/DVD-ROM”, save changes and exit BIOS.
4. Press [F6] as soon as you see the message “Press F6 if you need to install a 3rd party SCSI or RAID driver”.
5. Insert the RAID driver floppy disk into the floppy disk drive, and press [S] to continue.
6. There will be two drivers, select "AMD AHCI Compatible RAID Controller-x86 platform" for 32bit XP or "AMD AHCI Compatible RAID Controller-x64 platform" for 64bit XP, press [Enter].
7. A confirmation message appears to double check if the driver is really what we wanted, press [Enter] to continue. Then follow the screen prompt to complete the Windows XP installation.

Install Windows Vista

1. Press [Del] during POST to enter BIOS.
2. Insert the Windows Vista installation CD into the optical drive.
3. Set the “1st Boot Device” to “CD/DVD-ROM”, save changes and exit BIOS.
4. When the screen shows “No driver were founded...”, select “Load Driver”.
5. Insert the floppy disk/USB disk into the floppy drive/USB port, then specify the location of the driver.
6. Select "AMD AHCI Compatible RAID Controller" and press "Next".
7. After the driver is loaded, the RAID hard disk will appear. Select it and press "Next" to continue the OS installation.