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# Chapter 1 Introducing the Motherboard

# Introduction

Thank you for choosing the H67H2-I motherboard. This motherboard is a high performance, enhanced function motherboard designed to support the LGA1155 socket for Intel® Sandy Bridge Core i7/Core i5/Core i3/Pentium/Celeron new generation desktop processors.

This motherboard is based on Intel® H67 Express Chipset for best desktop platform solution. H67 is a single-chip, highly integrated, high performance Hyper-Threading peripheral controller, unmatched by any other single chip-device controller. This motherboard supports up to 8 GB of system memory with dual channel DDR3 1333/1066 MHz. High resolution graphics via one PCI Express x 16 slot, intended for Graphics Interface, is fully compliant to the PCI Express Base Specification revision 2.0. It implements an EHCI compliant interface that provides ten USB 2.0 ports (six USB ports and two USB 2.0 headers support additional four USB ports). It also implements extra USB 3.0 chips which provide two USB 3.0 ports at rear I/O with blue connector.

The motherboard is equipped with advanced full set of I/O ports in the rear panel, including one DVI port, one ESATA port, one VGA port, six USB 2.0 ports, two USB 3.0 ports, one Bluetooth, one HDMI port, one LAN port, one SPDIFO port and Audio Jacks for microphone, line-in and line-out.

#### **Feature**

#### **Processor**

The motherboard uses an LGA1155 type of Intel® Sandy Bridge processor that carries the following features:

- LGA1155 socket for latest new Core i7/i5/i3/Pentium/Celeron high-end desktop processors
- Supports "Hyper-Threading" technology CPU
- One x16 PCI Express Gen2 slot supporting up to 5 GB/s peak bandwidth in each direction

"Hyper-Threading" technology enables the operating system into thinking it's hooked up to two processors, allowing two threads to be run in parallel, both on separate "logical" processors within the same physical processor.



This board supports CPU up to equal or less than 95W TDP.

# Chipset

The Intel H67 Express Chipset is a single-chip with proven reliability and performance.

- Integrated SATA 3.0 Gb/s Host Controller
- Ten USB 2.0 ports supported
- Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI) support
- Enhanced DMA Controller, interrupt controller, and timer functions
- Integrated Graphics Support with PAVP 1.5

# Memory

- Supports DDR3 1333/1066 DDR3 SDRAM with Dual-channel architecture
- Accommodates two unbuffered DIMMs
- 2 x 240-pin DDR3 DIMM sockets support up to 8 GB

# Onboard LAN (optional)

- Supports PCI Express<sup>TM</sup> 1.1
- Integrated 10/100/1000 transceiver
- Wake-on-LAN and remote wake-up support
- Supports PCI Express<sup>TM</sup> 1.1
- Integrated 10/100 transceiver
- · Wake-on-LAN and remote wake-up support

#### **Audio**

This motherboard supports either of the following:

- 7.1+2 Channel High Definition Audio Codec
- Meets Microsoft WLP3.x (Windows Logo Program) audio requirements
- All DACs supports 44.1k/48k/96k/192kHz sample rate
- Software selectable 2.5V/3.2V/4.0V VREFOUT
- Direct Sound 3D. compatible
- Power Support: Digital: 3.3V; Analog: 5.0V

# **Expansion Options**

The motherboard comes with the following expansion options:

- · One PCI Express x16 slot for Graphic Interface
- · One Mini PCI Express slot
- 2x Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s connectors and 2 x Serial ATA 3.0 Gb/s connectors

# Integrated I/O

The motherboard has a full set of I/O ports and connectors:

- One SPDIFO port
- One Bluetooth
- One DVI port
- · One VGA port
- · Six USB 2.0 ports and two USB 3.0 ports
- One LAN port
- One eSATA port
- One HDMI port
- · Audio Jack for microphone, line-in and 8-ch line-out

# **BIOS Firmware**

This motherboard uses AMI BIOS that enables users to configure many system features including the following:

- Power management
- Wake-up alarms
- CPU parameters
- CPU and memory timing

The firmware can also be used to set parameters for different processor clock speeds.



1. Some hardware specifications and software items are subject to change without prior notice.

2.Due to chipset limitation, we recommend that motherboard be operated in the ambiance between 0 and  $50^\circ$  C.

Specification CPU	ons •	LGA1155 socket for latest new Sandy Bridge Core i7/i5/i3/ Pentium/Celeron processors Supports "Hyper-Threading" technology CPU
Chipset	•	Intel H67 Express Chipset
Memory	•	Dual-channel DDR3 memory architecture 2 x 240-pin DDR3 DIMM sockets support up to 8 GB Supports DDR3 1333/1066 DDR3 SDRAM
Expansion Slots	•	1 x PCI Express Gen2 x16 slot 1 x Mini PCI Express slot
Storage	•	Supported by Intel H67 Express Chipset 2 x Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s ports and 2 x Serial ATA 3.0 Gb/s ports
Audio	•	ALC892 8-CH High definition audio CODEC
LAN	•	Realtek RTL8111E 10/100/1000 Fast Ethernet Controller or RTL8105E 10/100 Fast Ethernet Controller (optional)
Rear Panel I/O	•	1 x SPDIFO port 1 x Bluetooth 1 x VGA port 1 x HDMI port 1 x DVI port 6 x USB 2.0 ports 2 x USB 3.0 ports 1 x eSATA port 1 x RJ45 LAN connector 1 x Audio port (Line in, microphone in and 8-ch line out)
Internal I/O Connectors & Headers	•	1 x 24-pin ATX Power Supply connector 2 x Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s connectors and 2 x Serial ATA 3.0 Gb/s connectors 2 x USB 2.0 headers support additional 4 USB ports 1 x Chassis Intrusion header 1 x Front panel header 1 x Speaker header 1 x Front audio header CPU_FAN/SYS_FAN connectors 1 x Clear CMOS header
System BIOS	•	AMI BIOS with 32Mb SPI ROM Supports Plug and Play, STR/STD, Hardware moniter, DMI F7 hot key for boot up devices option CPU voltage adjustable Memory voltage adjustable

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Mini-ITX Size, 170 mm x 170 mm  $\,$ 

Form Factor

# **Motherboard Components**

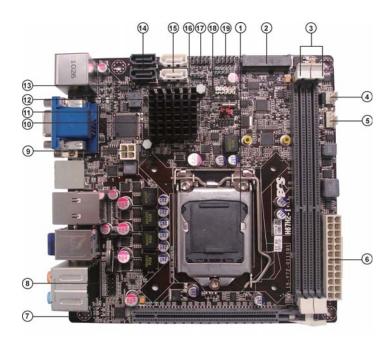


Table of Motherboard Components

LABEL	COMPONENTS
1. CPU Socket	LGA1155 socket for latest new Core i7/i5/i3/
1. CPU Socket	Pentium/Celeron processors
2. SCN	For Mini PCIE1X card or mSATA card
3. DDR3_1~2	240-pin DDR3 SDRAM slots
4. SYS_FAN	System cooling fan connector
5. CPU_FAN	CPU cooling fan connector
6. ATX_POWER	Standard 24-pin ATX power connector
7. PCIE16X	PCI Express x16 graphics card slot
8. F_AUDIO	Front audio header
9. ATX12V4P	4-pin +12V power connector
10. LPC_DEBUG	LPC debug header
11. CLR_CMOS	Clear CMOS jumper
12. CASE	Chassis intrusion header
13. ME_UNLOCK	ME unlock header
14. SATA1~2	Serial ATA 6.0Gb/s connectors
15. SATA3~4	Serial ATA 3.0Gb/s connectors
16. SPK	Speaker header
17. F_PANEL	Front panel switch/LED header
18. F_USB1~2	Front USB headers(F_USB1 supports Easy charger)
19. COM	Onboard serial port header

This concludes Chapter 1. The next chapter explains how to install the motherboard.

# Chapter 2 Installing the Motherboard

# **Safety Precautions**

- Follow these safety precautions when installing the motherboard
- Wear a grounding strap attached to a grounded device to avoid damage from static electricity
- Discharge static electricity by touching the metal case of a safely grounded object before working on the motherboard
- Leave components in the static-proof bags they came in
- · Hold all circuit boards by the edges. Do not bend circuit boards

# **Choosing a Computer Case**

There are many types of computer cases on the market. The motherboard complies with the specifications for the Mini-ITX system case. Some features on the motherboard are implemented by cabling connectors on the motherboard to indicators and switches on the system case. Make sure that your case supports all the features required. Make sure that your case has sufficient power and space for all drives that you intend to install.

Most cases have a choice of I/O templates in the rear panel. Make sure that the I/O template in the case matches the I/O ports installed on the rear edge of the motherboard.

This motherboard carries a Mini-ITX form factor of 170 x 170 mm. Choose a case that accommodates this form factor.

# **Installing the Motherboard in a Case**

Refer to the following illustration and instructions for installing the motherboard in a case.

Most system cases have mounting brackets installed in the case, which correspond the holes in the motherboard. Place the motherboard over the mounting brackets and secure the motherboard onto the mounting brackets with screws.

Ensure that your case has an I/O template that supports the I/O ports and expansion slots on your motherboard.





Do not over-tighten the screws as this can stress the motherboard.

# **Checking Jumper Settings**

This section explains how to set jumpers for correct configuration of the motherboard.

# **Setting Jumpers**

Use the motherboard jumpers to set system configuration options. Jumpers with more than one pin are numbered. When setting the jumpers, ensure that the jumper caps are placed on the correct pins.

The illustrations show a 2-pin jumper. When the jumper cap is placed on both pins, the jumper is SHORT. If you remove the jumper cap, or place the jumper cap on just one pin, the jumper is OPEN.





SHORT

**OPEN** 

This illustration shows a 3-pin jumper. Pins  $1 \ \text{and} \ 2 \ \text{are SHORT}.$ 



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# **Checking Jumper Settings**

The following illustration shows the location of the motherboard jumpers. Pin 1 is labeled.



# **Jumper Settings**

Jumper	Type	Description	Setting (default)	
CLR_CMOS	3-pin	Clear CMOS	1-2: NORMAL 2-3: CLEAR CMOS Before clearing the CMOS, make sure to turn off the system.	1 CLR_CMOS



To avoid the system unstability after clearing CMOS, we recommend users to enter the main BIOS setting page to "Load Default Settings" and then "Save and Exit Setup".

# **Installing Hardware**

#### Installing the Processor



Caution: When installing a CPU heatsink and cooling fan make sure that you DO NOT scratch the motherboard or any of the surface-mount resistors with the clip of the cooling fan. If the clip of the cooling fan scrapes across the motherboard, you may cause serious damage to the motherboard or its components.

On most motherboards, there are small surface-mount resistors near the processor socket, which may be damaged if the cooling fan is carelessly installed.

Avoid using cooling fans with sharp edges on the fan casing and the clips. Also, install the cooling fan in a well-lit work area so that you can clearly see the motherboard and processor socket.

# Before installing the Processor

This motherboard automatically determines the CPU clock frequency and system bus frequency for the processor. You may be able to change the settings in the system Setup Utility. We strongly recommend that you do not over-clock processors or other components to run faster than their rated speed.



#### Warning:

- 1. Over-clocking components can adversely affect the reliability of the system and introduce errors into your system. Over-clocking can permanently damage the motherboard by generating excess heat in components that are run beyond the rated limits.
- 2. Always remove the AC power by unplugging the power cord from the power outlet before installing or removing the motherboard or other hardware components.

This motherboard has an LGA1155 socket. When choosing a processor, consider the performance requirements of the system. Performance is based on the processor design, the clock speed and system bus frequency of the processor, and the quantity of internal cache memory and external cache memory.

#### Fail-Safe Procedures for Over-clocking

When end-users encounter failure after attempting over-clocking, please take the following steps to recover from it.

- 1. Shut down the computer.
- 2. Press and hold the "Page Up Key (PgUp)" of the keyboard, and then boot the PC up.
- 3. Two seconds after the PC boots up, release the "Page Up Key (PgUp)".
- 4. The BIOS returns to the default setting by itself.

#### **CPU Installation Procedure**

The following illustration shows CPU installation components.

- A. Opening of the Load Plate
  - Put your thumb on the tail of the load plate and press the tail down.
  - · Rotate the load plate to fully open position.
- B. Disengaging of the Load Lever
  - · Hold the hook of lever and pull it to the left side to clear retention tab.
  - · Rotate the load lever to fully open position.
- C. Removing the Cap
  - Be careful not to touch the contact at any time.
- D. Inserting the Package
  - · Grasp the package. Ensure to grasp on the edge of the substrate.
  - · Make sure pin 1 indicator is on your bottom-left side.
  - · Aim at the socket and place the package carefully into the socket by purely vertical motion.
- E. Closing the Load Plate
  - Rotate the load plate onto the package IHS (Intergraded Heat Spreader).
  - Engage the load lever while pressing down lightly onto the load plate.
  - Secure the load lever with the hook under retention tab.
- F. Fasten the cooling fan supporting base onto the CPU socket on the motherboard.
- G. Make sure the CPU fan is plugged to the CPU fan connector. Please refer to the CPU cooling fan user's manual for more detail installation procedure.















- 1. To achieve better airflow rates and heat dissipation, we suggest that you use a high quality fan with 3800 rpm at least. CPU fan and heatsink installation procedures may vary with the type of CPU fan/heatsink supplied. The form and size of fan/heatsink may also vary.
- 2. DO NOT remove the CPU cap from the socket before installing a CPU.
- 3. Return Material Authorization (RMA) requests will be accepted only if the motherboard comes with the cap on the LGA1155 socket.

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# **Installing Memory Modules**

This motherboard accommodates four memory modules. It can support two 240-pin DDR3 1333/1066. The total memory capacity is 8~GB.

#### DDR3 SDRAM memory module table

Memory module	Memory Bus
DDR3 1066	533 MHz
DDR3 1333	667 MHz

You must install at least one module in any of the two slots. The total memory capacity is up to 8 GB.



Do not remove any memory module from its antistatic packaging until you are ready to install it on the motherboard. Handle the modules only by their edges. Do not touch the components or metal parts. Always wear a grounding strap when you handle the modules.

#### **Installation Procedure**

Refer to the following to install the memory modules.

- 1 This motherboard supports unbuffered DDR3 SDRAM.
- 2 Push the latches on each side of the DIMM slot down.
- 3 Align the memory module with the slot. The DIMM slots are keyed with notches and the DIMMs are keyed with cutouts so that they can only be installed correctly.
- 4 Check that the cutouts on the DIMM module edge connector match the notches in the DIMM slot.
- Install the DIMM module into the slot and press it firmly down until it seats correctly. The slot latches are levered upwards and latch on to the edges of the DIMM.
- 6 Install any remaining DIMM modules.



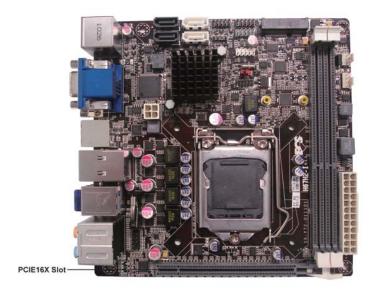
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# **Expansion Slots**

# **Installing Add-on Cards**

The slots on this motherboard are designed to hold expansion cards and connect them to the system bus. Expansion slots are a means of adding or enhancing the motherboard's features and capabilities. With these efficient facilities, you can increase the motherboard's capabilities by adding hardware that performs tasks that are not part of the basic system.



PCIEX16 Slot The PCI Express slot is used to install an external PCI Express graphics card that is fully compliant to the PCI Express Gen 2.



Before installing an add-on card, check the documentation for the card carefully. If the card is not Plug and Play, you may have to manually configure the card before installation.

Follow these instructions to install an add-on card:

- 1 Remove a blanking plate from the system case corresponding to the slot you are going to use.
- Install the edge connector of the add-on card into the expansion slot. Ensure that the edge connector is correctly seated in the slot.
- 3 Secure the metal bracket of the card to the system case with a screw.

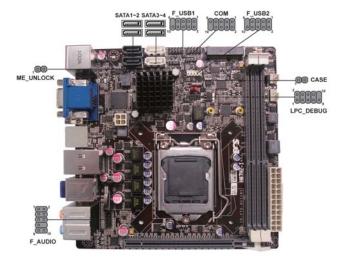




- 1. For some add-on cards, for example graphics adapters and network adapters, you have to install drivers and software before you can begin using the add-on card.
- 2. The onboard PCI interface does not support 64-bit SCSI cards.

# **Connecting Optional Devices**

Refer to the following for information on connecting the motherboard's optional devices:



#### SATA1~2: Serial ATAIII connectors

These connectors are used to support the new Serial ATAIII devices for the highest data transfer rates (6.0 Gb/s), simpler disk drive cabling and easier PC assembly. It doubles the transfer rate of current SATA 3.0Gb/s interface.

Pin	Signal Name	Pin	Signal Name
1	Ground	2	TX+
3	TX-	4	Ground
5	RX-	6	RX+
7	Ground	-	-

#### SATA3~4: Serial ATAII connectors

These connectors are used to support the new Serial ATAII devices for the highest data transfer rates (3.0Gb/s), simpler disk drive cabling and easier PC assembly. It eliminates limitations of the current Parallel ATA interface. But maintains register compatibility and software compatibility with Parallel ATA.

Pin	Signal Name	Pin	Signal Name
1	Ground	2	TX+
3	TX-	4	Ground
5	RX-	6	RX+
7	Ground	-	-

# F\_AUDIO: Front Panel Audio header for Azalia

This header allows the user to install auxiliary front-oriented microphone and lineout ports for easier access.

Pin	Signal Name	Pin	Signal Name
1	PORT 1L	2	AUD_GND
3	PORT 1R	4	PRESENCE#
5	PORT 2R	6	PORT1_JD
7	AUD_GND	8	KEY
9	PORT 2L	10	PORT2_JD

#### F\_USB1~2: Front Panel USB 2.0 headers

The motherboard has four USB 2.0 ports installed on the rear edge I/O port array. Additionally, some computer cases have USB 2.0 ports at the front of the case. If you have this kind of case, use auxiliary USB 2.0 connector to connect the front-mounted ports to the motherboard.

Unlike F\_USB2 in this motherboard, F\_USB1 supports EZ charger technology, provides about 1A current than general USB port in off mode for USB devices. It is useful and excellent, especially for the iPhone, iPad and iPod touch devices that need a large amount of current for faster recharging within less time.

Pin	Signal Name	Function
1	USBPWR	Front Panel USB Power
2	USBPWR	Front Panel USB Power
3	USB_FP_P0-	USB Port 0 Negative Signal
4	USB_FP_P1-	USB Port 1 Negative Signal
5	USB_FP_P0+	USB Port 0 Positive Signal
6	USB_FP_P1+	USB Port 1 Positive Signal
7	GND	Ground
8	GND	Ground
9	Key	No pin
10	USB_FP_OC0	Overcurrent signal



Please make sure that the USB cable has the same pin assignment as indicated above. A different pin assignment may cause damage or system hang-up.

# COM: Onboard serial port header

Connect a serial port extension bracket to this header to add a serial port to your system.

Pin	Signal Name	Function
1	DCDB	Data Carrier Detect
2	SINB	Serial Input
3	SOUTB	UART B Serial Output
4	DTRB	UART B Data Terminal Ready
5	GND	Ground
6	DSRB	Data Set Ready
7	RTSB	RART B Request to Send
8	CTSB	Clear to Send
9	RI	Ring Indicator
10	Key	Nopin

# **CASE: Chassis Intrusion Header**

This detects if the chassis cover has been removed. This function needs a chassis equipped with instrusion detection switch and needs to be enabled in BIOS.

Pin 1-2	Function
Short	Chassis cover is removed
Open	Chassis cover is closed

#### Installing a SATA Hard Drive

This section describes how to install SATA hard drives.

#### **About SATA Connectors**

Your motherboard features four SATA connectors supporting a total of four drives. SATA refers to Serial ATA (Advanced Technology Attachment) is the standard interface for the IDE hard drives which are currently used in most PCs. These connectors are well designed and will only fit in one orientation. Locate the SATA connectors on the motherboard and follow the illustration below to install the SATA hard drives.

#### **Installing Serial ATA Hard Drives**

To install the Serial ATA (SATA) hard drives, use the SATA cable that supports the Serial ATA protocol. This SATA cable comes with an SATA power cable. You can connect either end of the SATA cable to the SATA hard drive or the connector on the motherboard.





SATA cable (optional)

SATA power cable (optional)

Refer to the illustration below for proper installation:

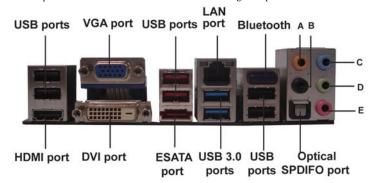
- 1 Attach either cable end to the connector on the motherboard.
- 2 Attach the other cable end to the SATA hard drive.
- 3 Attach the SATA power cable to the SATA hard drive and connect the other end to the power supply.





# **Connecting I/O Devices**

The backplane of the motherboard has the following I/O ports:



**HDMI port** Connect the HDMI port to the HDMI devices.

DVI Port Use the DVI port to connect the monitor.

VGA Port Connect your monitor to the VGA port.

LAN Port Connect RJ-45 jacks to LAN port to connect your

computer to the Network.

**USB Ports** Use the USB ports to connect USB 2.0 devices.

**USB 3.0 Ports** Use the USB 3.0 ports to connect USB 3.0 devices.

**Bluetooth** Used to connect to Bluetooth devices.

Optical SPDIF This jack connects to external optical digital audio output

Output devices.

**ESATA Port** Use this port to connect to external SATA boxes or Serial

ATA port multipliers.



Before connecting the eSATA cables, make sure to turn off the power of the external enclosure.

#### **Audio Ports**

This motherboard may adopt 8-channel audio ports that correspond to the A,B, C, and D port respectively. Users please refer to the following note for specific port function definition.

A: Center & Bass out	C: Line in
B: Back Surround	D: Front Out
Optional SPDIFO Port	E: Mic in

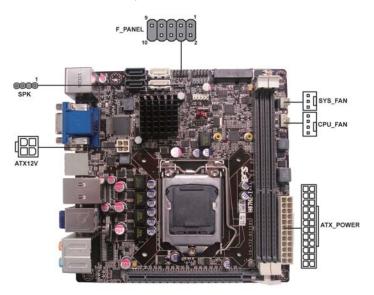
The above port definition can be changed to audio input or audio output by changing the driver utility setting.

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# **Connecting Case Components**

After you have installed the motherboard into a case, you can begin connecting the motherboard components. Refer to the following:

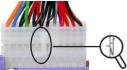
- 1 Connect the CPU cooling fan cable to CPU\_FAN.
- 2 Connect the standard power supply connector to **ATX\_POWER**.
- 3 Connect the case switches and indicator LEDs to the F\_PANEL.
- 4 Connect the system cooling fan connector to SYS\_FAN.
- 5 Connect the auxiliary case power supply connector to ATX12V4P.
- 6 Connect the case speaker cable to **SPK**.





# Connecting 24-pin power cable

The ATX\_POWER 24-pin connector allows you to connect to ATX v2.x power supply.



cable, the latches of power cable and the ATX\_POWER match perfectly.

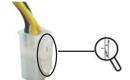
With ATX v2.x power supply, users please note that when installing 24-pin power

24-pin power cable



# Connecting 4-pin power cable

The ATX12V4P power connector is used to provide power to the CPU.



When installing 4-pin power cable, the latches of power cable and the ATX12V4P match perfectly.

4-pin power cable

# CPU\_FAN: CPU Cooling FAN Power Connector

Pin	Signal Name	Function
1	GND	System Ground
2	+12V	Power +12V
3	Sense	Sensor
4	PWM	PWM



Users please note that the fan connector supports the CPU cooling fan of  $1.1A \sim 2.2A$  (26.4W max) at +12V.

# ATX\_POWER: ATX 24-pin Power Connector

Pin	Signal Name	Pin	Signal Name
1	+3.3V	13	+3.3V
2	+3.3V	14	-12V
3	Ground	15	Ground
4	+5V	16	PS_ON
5	Ground	17	Ground
6	+5V	18	Ground
7	Ground	19	Ground
8	PWRGD	20	-5V
9	+5VSB	21	+5V
10	+12V	22	+5V
11	+12V	23	+5V
12	+3.3V	24	Ground

# SYS\_FAN: Cooling FAN Power Connector

Pin	Signal Name	Function
1	GND	System Ground
2	+12V	Power +12V
3	Sense	Sensor

SPK: Internal speaker

Pin	Signal Name
1	VCC
2	Key
3	NC
4	Signal

# ATX12V4P: ATX 12V Power Connector

Pin	Signal Name
1	Ground
2	Ground
3	+12V
4	+12V

#### Front Panel Header

The front panel header (F\_PANEL) provides a standard set of switch and LED headers commonly found on ATX or micro-ATX cases. Refer to the table below for information:



Pin	Signal	Function	Pin	Signal	Function
1	HD_LED_P	Hard disk LED (+)	2	FP PWR/SLP	*MSG LED (+)
3	HD_LED_N	Hard disk LED (-)	4	FP PWR/SLP	*MSG LED (-)
5	RST_SW_N	Reset Switch (-)	6	PWR_SW_P	Power Switch (+)
7	RST_SW_P	Reset Switch (+)	8	PWR_SW_N	Power Switch (-)
9	RSVD	Reserved	10	Key	No pin

<sup>\*</sup> MSG LED (dual color or single color)

#### Hard Drive Activity LED

Connecting pins 1 and 3 to a front panel mounted LED provides visual indication that data is being read from or written to the hard drive. For the LED to function properly, an IDE drive should be connected to the onboard IDE interface. The LED will also show activity for devices connected to the SCSI (hard drive activity LED) connector.

#### Power/Sleep/Message waiting LED

Connecting pins 2 and 4 to a single or dual-color, front panel mounted LED provides power on/off, sleep, and message waiting indication.

# Reset Switch

Supporting the reset function requires connecting pins 5 and 7 to a momentary-contact switch that is normally open. When the switch is closed, the board resets and runs POST.

#### **Power Switch**

Supporting the power on/off function requires connecting pins 6 and 8 to a momentary-contact switch that is normally open. The switch should maintain contact for at least 50 ms to signal the power supply to switch on or off. The time requirement is due to internal de-bounce circuitry. After receiving a power on/off signal, at least two seconds elapses before the power supply recognizes another on/off signal.

This concludes Chapter 2. The next chapter covers the BIOS.

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# Chapter 3 Using BIOS

# **About the Setup Utility**

The computer uses the latest "American Megatrends Inc." BIOS with support for Windows Plug and Play. The CMOS chip on the motherboard contains the ROM setup instructions for configuring the motherboard BIOS.

The BIOS (Basic Input and Output System) Setup Utility displays the system's configuration status and provides you with options to set system parameters. The parameters are stored in battery-backed-up CMOS RAM that saves this information when the power is turned off. When the system is turned back on, the system is configured with the values you stored in CMOS.

The BIOS Setup Utility enables you to configure:

- · Hard drives, diskette drives and peripherals
- · Video display type and display options
- Password protection from unauthorized use
- Power Management features

The settings made in the Setup Utility affect how the computer performs. Before using the Setup Utility, ensure that you understand the Setup Utility options.

This chapter provides explanations for Setup Utility options.

#### The Standard Configuration

A standard configuration has already been set in the Setup Utility. However, we recommend that you read this chapter in case you need to make any changes in the future.

This Setup Utility should be used:

- · when changing the system configuration
- when a configuration error is detected and you are prompted to make changes to the Setup Utility
- · when trying to resolve IRQ conflicts
- when making changes to the Power Management configuration
- when changing the password or making other changes to the Security Setup

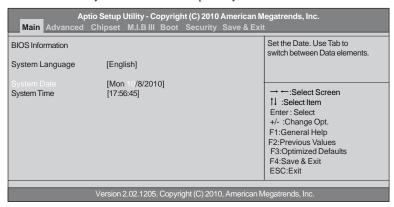
# Entering the Setup Utility

When you power on the system, BIOS enters the Power-On Self Test (POST) routines. POST is a series of built-in diagnostics performed by the BIOS. After the POST routines are completed, the following message appears:

# Press DEL to enter SETUP

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Press the delete key to access BIOS Setup Utility.



# Resetting the Default CMOS Values

When powering on for the first time, the POST screen may show a "CMOS Settings Wrong" message. This standard message will appear following a clear CMOS data at factory by the manufacturer. You simply need to Load Default Settings to reset the default CMOS values.

Note: Changes to system hardware such as different CPU, memories, etc. may also trigger this message.



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When you start the Setup Utility, the main menu appears. The main menu of the Setup Utility displays a list of the options that are available. A highlight indicates which option is currently selected. Use the cursor arrow keys to move the highlight to other options. When an option is highlighted, execute the option by pressing <Enter>.

Some options lead to pop-up dialog boxes that prompt you to verify that you wish to execute that option. Other options lead to dialog boxes that prompt you for information.

Some options (marked with a triangle  $\triangleright$ ) lead to submenus that enable you to change the values for the option. Use the cursor arrow keys to scroll through the items in the submenu.

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In this manual, default values are enclosed in parenthesis. Submenu items are denoted by a triangle  $\triangleright$ .



The default BIOS setting for this motherboard apply for most conditions with optimum performance. We do not suggest users change the default values in the BIOS setup and take no responsibility to any damage caused by changing the BIOS settings.

# **BIOS** Navigation Keys

The BIOS navigation keys are listed below:

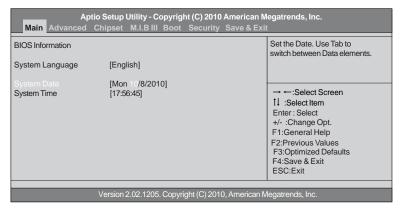
KEY	FUNCTION
ESC	Exits the current menu
t↓→⊷	Scrolls through the items on a menu
+/-	Modifies the selected field's values
Enter	Select
F1	General Help
F2	Previous Values
F3	Optimized Defaults
F4	Save & Exit



For the purpose of better product maintenance, the manufacture reserves the right to change the BIOS items presented in this manual. The BIOS setup screens shown in this chapter are for reference only and may differ from the actual BIOS. Please visit the manufacture's website for updated manual.

#### Main Menu

When you enter the BIOS Setup program, the main menu appears, giving you an overview of the basic system information. Select an item and press <Enter> to display the submenu.



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#### System Language (English)

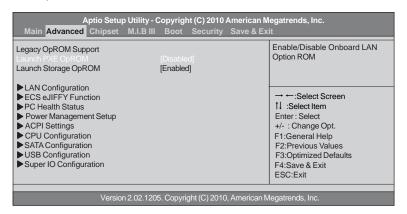
This item is used to set the language.

#### Date & Time

The Date and Time items show the current date and time on the computer. If you are running a Windows OS, these items are automatically updated whenever you make changes to the Windows Date and Time Properties utility.

#### Advaned Menu

The Advanced menu items allow you to change the settings for the CPU and other system.



# Launch PXE OpROM

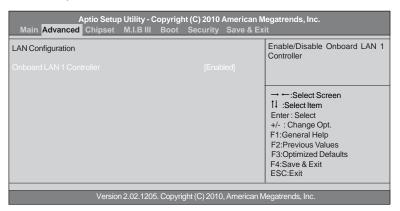
The item enables or disables launch PXE Option ROM.

# Launch Storage OpROM

The item enables or disables launch Storage Option ROM.

#### **LAN Configuration**

The item in the menu shows the LAN-related information that the BIOS automatically detects.



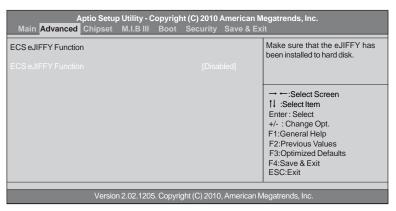
#### Onboard LAN1 Controller (Enabled)

Use this item to enable or disable the Onboard LAN.

Press <Esc> to return to the Advanced Menu page.

#### **ECS eJIFFY Function**

Scroll to this item and press <Enter> to view the following screen:



#### ECS eJIFFY Function (Disabled)

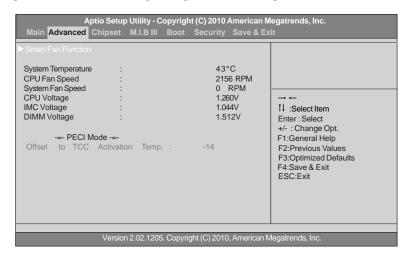
This item allows you to enable or disable ECS eJIFFY Function.

Press <Esc> to return to the Advanced Menu page.

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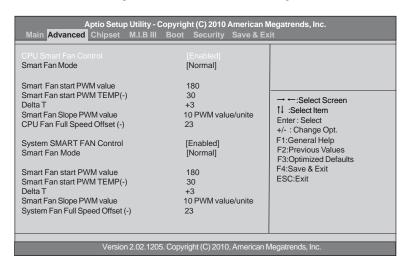
#### **PC Health Status**

On motherboards support hardware monitoring, this item lets you monitor the paeameters for critical voltages, temperatures and fan speeds.



#### ▶Smart Fan Function

Scroll to this item and press <Enter> to view the following screen:



#### CPU Smart FAN Control (Enabled)

This item allows you to enable/disable the control of the CPU fan speed by changing the fan voltage.

#### Smart Fan Mode (Normal)

This item allows you to select the fan mode (Normal, Quiet, Silent, or Manual) for a better operation environment. If you choose Normal mode, the fan speed will be auto adjusted depending on the CPU temperature. If you choose Quite mode, the fan speed will be auto minimized for quiet environment. If you choose Silent mode, the fan speed will be auto restricted to make system more quietly. If you choose Manual mode, the fan speed will be adjust depending on users' parameters.

#### SMART Fan start PWM value (180)

This item is used to set the start PWM value of the smart fan.

#### SMART Fan start TEMP(-) (30)

This item is used to set the start temperature of the smart fan.

#### DeltaT (+3)

This item specifies the range that controls CPU temperature and keeps it from going so high or so low when smart fan works.

#### SMART Fan Slope PWM value (10 PWM value/unite)

This item is used to set the Slope Select PWM of the smart fan.

#### CPU Fan Full Speed Offset(-) (23)

This item is used to set the CPU fan full speed offset value.

#### System Smart FAN Control (Enabled)

This item allows you to enable/disable the control of the system fan speed by changing the fan voltage.

#### System Fan Full Speed Offset(-) (23)

This item is used to set the system fan full speed offset value.

Press <Esc> to return to the PC Health Status page.

# **System Component Characteristics**

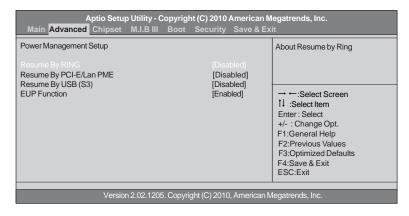
These items display the monitoring of the overall inboard hardware health events, such as System & CPU temperature, CPU & DIMM voltage, CPU & system fan speed,... etc.

- CPU Vcore
- IMC Voltage
- VDIMM
- PCH Voltage

Press <Esc> to return to the Advanced Menu page.

#### **Power Management Setup**

This page sets up some parameters for system power management operation.



#### Resume By Ring (Disabled)

An input signal on the serial Ring Indicator (RI) line (in other words, an incoming call on the modem) awakens the system from a soft off state.

# Resume By PCI-E/Lan PME (Disabled)

The system can be turned off with a software command. If you enable this item, the system can automatically resume if there is an incoming call on the PCI Modem or PCI LAN card. You must use an ATX power supply in order to use this feature. Use this item to do wake-up action if inserting the PCI card.

#### Resume By USB (S3) (Disabled)

This item allows you to enable/disable the USB device wakeup function from S3 mode.

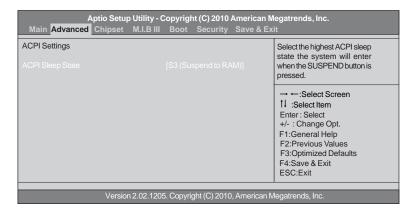
#### **EUP Support (Enabled)**

This item allows user to enable or disable EUP support.

Press <Esc> to return to the Advanced Menu page.

# **ACPI Configuration**

The item in the menu shows the highest ACPI sleep state when the system enters suspend.

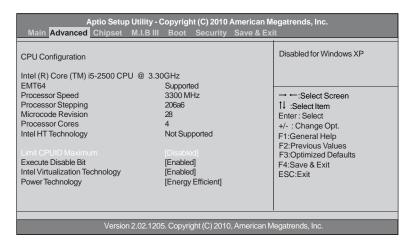


#### ACPI Sleep State (S3(Suspend to RAM))

This item allows user to enter the APCI S3 (Suspend toRAM) Sleep State(default).

## **CPU Configuration**

The item in the menu shows the CPU.



#### **CPU Configuration**

This is display-only field and diaplays the information of the CPU installed in your computer.

#### **EMT64**

This item shows the CPU installed in your computer support EMT64 or not.

## **Processor Speed**

This item shows the processor speed.

# **Processor Stepping**

This item shows the information of processor stepping.

#### Microcode Revision

This item shows the Microcode revision.

# **Processor Cores**

This item shows the information of the processor cores.

# Intel HT Technology

This item shows the CPU installed in your computer support Intel HT Technology or not.

## Limit CPUID Maximum (Disabled)

Use this item to enable or disable the maximum CPUID value limit. When supports Prescott and LGA775 CPUs, enables this to prevent the system from "rebooting" when trying to install Windows NT 4.0.

#### **Excute Disable Bit (Enabled)**

This item allows the processor to classify areas in memory by where application code can execute and where it cannot. When a malicious worm attempts to insert code in the buffer, the processor disables code execution, preventing damage or worm propagation. Replacing older computers with Execute Disable Bit enabled systems can halt worm attacks, reducing the need for virus related repair.

# Intel Virtualization Technology (Enabled)

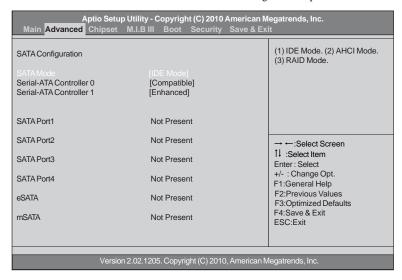
When enabled, a VMM can utilize the additional hardware capabilities provided by Vandor Pool Technology.

## Power Technology (Energy Efficient)

This item enables or disables the power technology.

## **SATA Configuration**

Use this item to show the mode of serial SATA configuration options.



## SATA Mode (IDE Mode)

Use this item to select SATA mode.

# Serial-ATA Controller 0/1 (Compatible/Enhanced)

Use this item to select the Serial-ATA cotroller options: Disabled, Compatible, Enhanced.

#### SATA Port 1~4 (Not present)

These items show the device installed of SATA Port 1~4.

# eSATA (Not present)

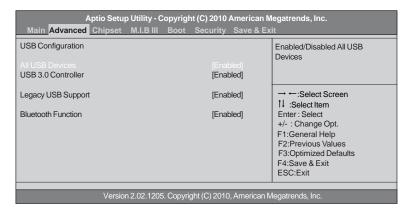
This item shows the eSATA device status of this channel.

# mSATA (Not present)

This item shows the mini SATA device status of this channel.

# **USB** Configuration

Use this item to show the information of USB configuration.



## All USB Devices (Enabled)

Use this item to enable or disable all USB devices.

# **USB 3.0 Controller (Enabled)**

Use this item to enable or disable USB 3.0 controller. We recommand users keep the default value. Disabling it might cause the USB devices not to work properly.

# Legacy USB Support (Enabled)

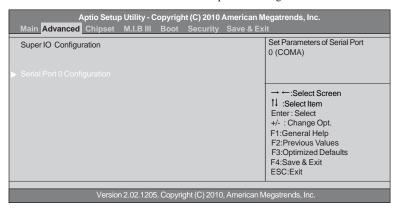
Use this item to enable or disable support for legacy USB devices.

#### **Bluetooth Function (Enabled)**

Use this item to enable or disable onboard USB Bluetooth Device.

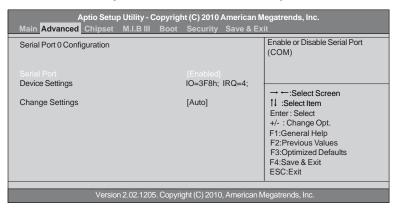
# **Super IO Configuration**

Use this item to show the information of Super IO configuration.



#### ▶ Serial Port 0 Configuration

Scroll to this item and press <Enter> and view the following screen.



# Serial Port (Enabled)

This item allows you to enable or disable serial port.

# Device Settings (IO=3F8h; IRQ=4)

This item shows the information of the device settings.

## Change Settings (Auto)

Use this item to change device settings.

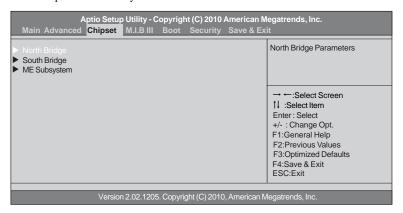
Press <Esc> to return to the Super IO Configuration page.

Press <Esc> to return to the Advanced Menu page.

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# Chipset Menu

The chipset menu items allow you to change the settings for the North chipset, South chipset and other system.



#### ► North Bridge

Scroll to this item and press <Enter> and view the following screen.

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Main Advanced Chipset	M.I.B III Boot Security	Save & Exit
North Bridge  IGD Memory  DVMT Mode Select  DVMT/FIXED Memory	[64M] [DVMT Mode] [256MB]	IGD Share Memory Sizw
PEG Force Gen1 IGD Multi-Monitor	[Disabled] [Disabled]	→   :Select Screen  11:Select Item  Enter: Select  +/-: Change Opt.  F1:General Help  F2:Previous Values  F3:Optimized Defaults  F4:Save & Exit  ESC:Exit
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#### IGD Memory (64M)

This item shows the information of the IGD(Internal Graphics device) memory.

# **DVMT Mode Select (DVMT Mode)**

This item allows you to select the DVMT operating mode.

# **DVMT/FIXED Memory (256MB)**

When set to Fixed Mode, the graphics driver will reserve a fixed position of the system memory as graphics memory, according to system and graphics requirements.

#### PEG Force Gen1 (Disabled)

This item improve the compatibility for PCIEx16 slot support PCIEx1 devices.

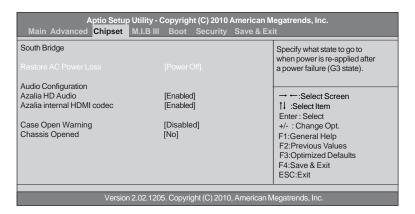
# IGD Multi-Monitor (Disabled)

This item enables or disables IGD(Internal Graphics device) multi-monitor.

Press <Esc> to return to the chipset menu page.

## ► South Bridge

Scroll to this item and press <Enter> to view the following screen.



#### Restore AC Power Loss (Power Off)

This item specifies what state to go to when power is re-applied after a power failure (G3 state).

# **Audio Configuration**

This item shows the information of the audio configuration.

# Azalia HD Audio (Enabled)

This item enables or disables Azalia HD audio.

## Azalia internal HDMI Codec (Enabled)

This item enables or disables Azalia internal HDMI codec.

#### Case Open Warning (Disabled)

This item enables or disables the warning if the case is opened up, and the item below indicates the current status of the case.

# Chassis Opened (No)

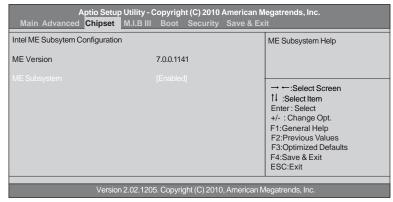
This item indicates whether the case has been opened.

Press <Esc> to return to the chipset menu page.

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# ▶ ME Subsystem

Scroll to this item and press <Enter> to view the following screen.



# ME Version (7.0.0.1141)

This item shows the ME version.

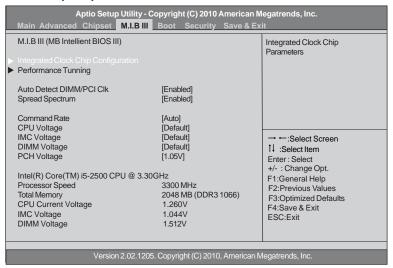
# ME Subsystem (Enabled)

This item allows you to enable or disable ME subsystem.

Press <Esc> to return to the chipset menu page.

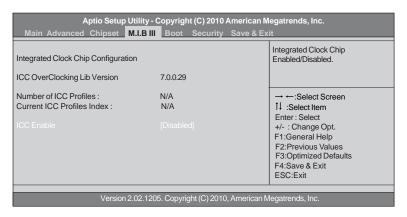
## M.I.B III (MB Intelligent BIOS III) Menu

This page enables you to set the clock speed and system bus for your system. The clock speed and system bus are determined by the kind of processor you have installed in your system.



# ▶ Integrated Clock Chip Configuration

Scroll to this item to view the following screen:



## ICC Over-Clocking Lib Version (7.0.0.29)

This item shows the ICC over-clocking lib version.

## Number of ICC Profiles (N/A)

This item shows number of ICC profiles.

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## Current ICC Profiles Index (N/A)

This item shows current ICC profiles index.

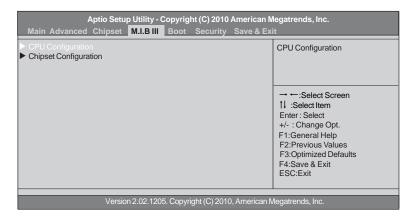
# ICC Enable (Disabled)

This item allows you to enable or disable current ICC.

Press <Esc> to return to the M.I.B III menu page.

# ▶ Performance Tunning

Scroll to this item to view the following screen:



# **▶ CPU Configuration**

Scroll to this item to view the following screen:

Aptio Setup Utility - Copyright (C) 2010 American Megatrends, Inc.  Main Advanced Chipset M.I.B III Boot Security Save & Exit		
CPU Ratio IA Core Current Power Limit 1 Value (Watt) Power Limit 2 Switch Power Limit 2 Value Long duration maintained Enhanced Intel SpeedStep Technolog Turbo Mode 1 Core Ratio Limit 2 Core Ratio Limit 3 Core Ratio Limit 4 Core Ratio Limit	33 [Nomal] 95 [Enabled] 118 1 [Enabled] [Enabled] 37 36 35 34	Non Turbo Ratio Override  → ←: Select Screen  1: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
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#### **CPU Ratio**

This item shows non turbo CPU ratio.

#### IA Core Current (Normal)

Use this item to control CPU Current Limit. This is for Turbo mode.

## Power Limit 1 Value (Watt) (95)

Use this item to control the limit of the TDP. This is for Turbo mode.

## Power Limit 2 Switch (Enabled)

Use this item to control the Power Limit 2. This is for Turbo mode.

## Power Limit 2 Value (118)

Use this item to control the Power Limit 2. PL2 provides an upper limit of the TDP excursions. This is for Turbo mode.

## Long duration maintained (1)

Use this item to control the time window over PL1 value should be maintained. This is for Turbo mode.

## Enhanced Intel SpeedStep Technolog (Enabled)

This item allows users to enable or disable the EIST (Enhanced Intel SpeedStep Technology).

#### Turbo Mode (Enabled)

This item allows you to control the Intel Turbo Boost Technology.

#### Core Ratio Limit

This item shows maximum CPU Turbo Ratio.

Press <Esc> to return to the Performance Tunning page.

## ► Chipset Configuration

Scroll to this item to view the following screen:

		Disabled/Enabled GT
Memory Multiplier Configuration		OverClocking
Memory Mutiplier	[10.67]	
Memory Timing Configuration		→ ←:Select Screen
CAS# Latency (tCL)	8	Enter: Select
Row Precharge Time (tRP)	8	+/- : Change Opt.
RAS# to CAS# Delay (tRCD)	8	F1:General Help
RAS# Active Time (tRAS)	20	F2:Previous Values F3:Optimized Defaults
Intel Graphics Configuration		F4:Save & Exit ESC:Exit

## Memory Multiplier Configuration

This item shows the information of Memory Multiplier Configuration.

#### Memory Multiplier (10.67)

This item shows the information of Memory Multiplier.

# **Memory Timing Configuration**

This item shows the information of Memory Timing Configuration.

# CAS# Latency (tCL) (8)

This item determines the operation of DDR SDRAM memory CAS (column address strobe). It is recommanded that you leave this item at the default values. The 2T setting requires faster memory that specifically supports this mode.

# Row Precharge Time(tRP) (8)

This item specifies Row precharge to Active or Auto-Refresh of the same bank.

## RAS# to CAS# Delay(tRCD) (8)

This item specifies the RAS# to CAS# delay to Rd/Wr command to the same bank.

# RAS# Active Time(tRAS) (20)

This item specifies the RAS# active time.

# Intel Graphics Configuration

This item shows the information of Intel Graphics Configuration.

# GT OverClocking [Disabled]

This item allows you to control the internal GFX Turbo mode.

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Memory Multiplier Configuration  Memory Mutiplier	[10.67]	Disabled/Enabled GT OverClocking
Memory Timing Configuration  CAS# Latency (tCL) Row Precharge Time (tRP) RAS# to CAS# Delay (tRCD) RAS# Active Time (tRAS)  Intel Graphics Configuration	8 8 8 8 20	→   Select Screen  11: Select Item  Enter: Select  +/-: Change Opt.  F1: General Help  F2: Previous Values  F3: Optimized Defaults  F4: Save & Exit  ESC: Exit
GT OverClocking Graphics Current Graphics Core Ratio Limit Graphics Voltage	[Enabled] [Nomal] 22 [Default]	EGG-EAR
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# **Craphics Current (Nomal)**

Use this item to select graphic current is Normal or Max.

# **Graphics Core Ratio Limit (22)**

Setting the limit of Graphics Core Ratio.

# **Graphics Voltage (Default)**

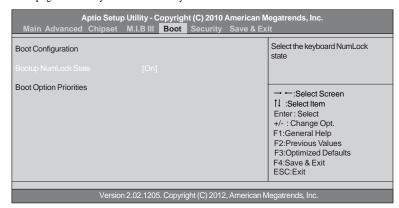
Setting the Voltage of Graphics.

Press <Esc> to return to the Performance Tunning page.

Press <Esc> to return to the M.I.B III menu page.

## **Boot Menu**

This page enables you to set the keyboard NumLock state.



## **Boot Configuration**

This item shows the information of the Boot Configuration.

# Bootup NumLock State (On)

This item enables you to select NumLock state.

## **Boot Option Priorities**

This item enables you to set boot option priorities.

Press <Esc> to return to the Boot menu page.

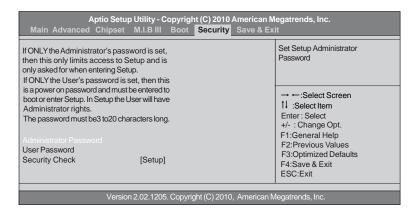
# Security Menu

This page enables you to set setup administrator and password.

Aptio Setup Utility - Copyright (C) 2010 American Megatrends, Inc.  Main Advanced Chipset M.I.B III Boot Security Save & Exit		
If ONLY the Administrator's password is set, then this only limits access to Setup and is only asked for when entering Setup.  If ONLY the User's password is set, then this is a power on password and must be entered to boot or enter Setup. In Setup the User will have Administrator rights.  The password must be3 to20 characters long.  Administrator Password	Set Setup Administrator Password	
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#### **Administrator Password**

Scroll to this item and press <Enter> to view the following screen.

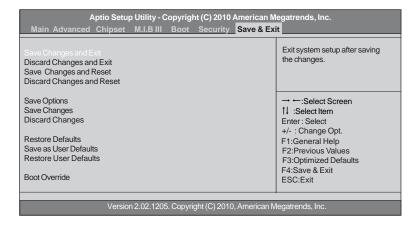


#### Setup

This item indicates a user password has been set.

#### Save & Exit Menu

This page enables you to exit system setup after saving or without saving the changes.



## Save Changes and Exit

Use this item enables you to exit system setup after saving the changes.

#### **Discard Changes and Exit**

Use this item enables you to exit system setup without saving any changes.

# Save Changes and Reset

Use this item enables you to reset the system setup after saving the changes.

## **Discard Changes and Reset**

Use this item enables you to reset system setup without saving any changes.

#### Save Options

Use this item enables you to save the options that you have made.

# Save Changes

Use this item enables you to save the changes that you have made.

# **Discard Changes**

Use this item enables you to discard any changes that you have made.

#### **Restore Defaults**

Use this item enables you to restore the system defaults.

#### Save as User Defaults

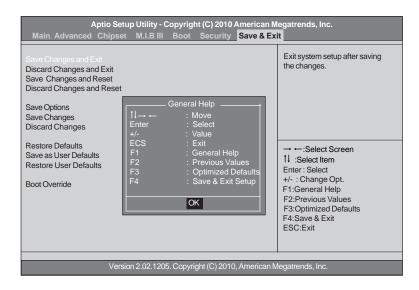
Use this item enables you to save the changes that you have made as user defaults.

#### **Restore User Defaults**

Use this item enables you to restore user defaults to all the setup options.

#### **Boot Override**

Use this item enables you to set the device order.



# Updating the BIOS

You can download and install updated BIOS for this motherboard from the manufacturer's Web site. New BIOS provides support for new peripherals, improvements in performance, or fixes for known bugs. Install new BIOS as follows:

- 1 If your motherboard has a BIOS protection jumper, change the setting to allow BIOS flashing.
- 2 If your motherboard has an item called Firmware Write Protect in Advanced BIOS features, disable it. (Firmware Write Protect prevents BIOS from being overwritten.)
- 3 Prepare a bootable device or create a bootable system disk. (Refer to Windows online help for information on creating a bootable system disk.)
- 4 Download the Flash Utility and new BIOS file from the manufacturer's Web site. Copy these files to the bootable device.
- 5 Turn off your computer and insert the bootable device in your computer. (You might need to run the Setup Utility and change the the boot priority items on the Advanced BIOS Features Setup page, to force your computer to boot from the bootable device first.)
- 6 At the C:\ or A:\ prompt, type the Flash Utility program name and the file name of the new BIOS and then press <Enter>. Example: AFUDOS.EXE 040706.ROM
- When the installation is complete, remove the bootable device from the computer and restart your computer. If your motherboard has a Flash BIOS jumper, reset the jumper to protect the newly installed BIOS from being overwritten. The computer will restart automatically.

This concludes Chapter 3. Refer to the next chapter for information on the software supplied with the motherboard.

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# **Chapter 4**

# Using the Motherboard Software

# About the Software DVD-ROM/CD-ROM

The support software DVD-ROM/CD-ROM that is included in the motherboard package contains all the drivers and utility programs needed to properly run the bundled products. Below you can find a brief description of each software program, and the location for your motherboard version. More information on some programs is available in a README file, located in the same directory as the software. Before installing any software, always inspect the folder for files named README.TXT or something similar. These files may contain important information that is not included in this manual.



- 1. Never try to install all software from folder that is not specified for use with your motherboard.
- 2. The notice of Intel HD audio installation (optional): The Intel High Definition audio functionality unexpectedly quits working in Windows Server 2003 Service Pack 1 or Windows XP Professional x64 Edition. Users need to download and install the update packages from the Microsoft Download Center "before" installing HD audio driver bundled in the Driver disk. Please log on to <a href="http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;enus;901105#appliesto">http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;enus;901105#appliesto</a> for more information.

# Auto-installing under Windows XP/Vista/7

The Auto-install DVD-ROM/CD-ROM makes it easy for you to install the drivers and software for your motherboard.



If the Auto-install DVD-ROM/CD-ROM does not work on your system, you can still install drivers through the file manager for your OS (for example, Windows Explorer). Refer to the Utility Folder Installation Notes later in this chapter.

The support software DVD-ROM/CD-ROM disc loads automatically under Windows XP/Vista/7. When you insert the DVD-ROM/CD-ROM disc in the DVD-ROM/CD-ROM drive, the autorun feature will automatically bring up the install screen. The screen has three buttons on it, Setup, Browse CD and Exit.





If the opening screen does not appear; double-click the file "setup.exe" in the root directory.

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#### **Drivers Tab**

Setup	Click the <b>Setup</b> button to run the software installation program. Select from the menu which software you want to install.
Browse CD	The <b>Browse CD</b> button is the standard Windows command that allows you to open Windows Explorer and show the contents of the support disk.
	Before installing the software from Windows Explorer, look for a file named README.TXT or something similar. This file may contain important information to help you install the software correctly.
	Some software is installed in separate folders for different operating systems, such as Windows XP/Vista/7. Always go to the correct folder for the kind of OS you are using.
	In install the software, execute a file named SETUP.EXE by double-clicking the file and then following the instructions on the screen.
Exit	The Exit button closes the Auto Setup window.

## **Utilities Tab**

Lists the software utilities that are available on the disk.

# Information Tab

Displays the path for all software and drivers available on the disk.

# Running Setup

Follow these instructions to install device drivers and software for the motherboard:

1. Click **Setup**. The installation program begins:



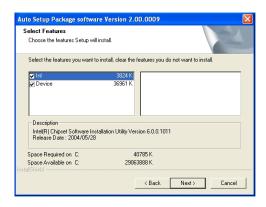
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The following screens are examples only. The screens and driver lists will be different according to the motherboard you are installing.

The motherboard identification is located in the upper left-hand corner.

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- Check the box next to the items you want to install. The default options are recommended
- 4. Click Next run the Installation Wizard. An item installation screen appears:



5. Follow the instructions on the screen to install the items.



Drivers and software are automatically installed in sequence. Follow the onscreen instructions, confirm commands and allow the computer to restart a few times to complete the installation.



Windows Vista/7 will appear below UAC (User Account Control) message after the system restart. You must select "Allow" to install the next driver. Continue this process to complete the drivers installation.



# **Manual Installation**

Insert the disk in the DVD-ROM/CD-ROM drive and locate the PATH.DOC file in the root directory. This file contains the information needed to locate the drivers for your motherboard.

Look for the chipset and motherboard model; then browse to the directory and path to begin installing the drivers. Most drivers have a setup program (SETUP.EXE) that automatically detects your operating system before installation. Other drivers have the setup program located in the operating system subfolder.

If the driver you want to install does not have a setup program, browse to the operating system subfolder and locate the readme text file (README.TXT or README.DOC) for information on installing the driver or software for your operating system.

# **Utility Software Reference**

All the utility software available from this page is Windows compliant. They are provided only for the convenience of the customer. The following software is furnished under license and may only be used or copied in accordance with the terms of the license.



These software(s) are subject to change at anytime without prior notice. Please refer to the support disk for available software.

This concludes Chapter 4.

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# Chapter 5 Setting Up eJIFFY

# Introduction

eJIFFY is a fast boot program under Linux. Instead of waiting Windows O.S to start execution, eJIFFY is ready to provide users the instant enjoyment on web browsing, photo review and online chat just within several seconds after boot up.



Note: eJIFFY is ECS *optional* feature utility corresponding to the DVD activation and BIOS setup. Please check the hard copy user's guide or product color-box to see if the model has embodded eJIFFY feature. (eJIFFY icon on color-box

Version: 4.0

# **Installation and BIOS Setup**

## **DVD** Activation

Finish the DVD utility setup, and then set the BIOS to complete eJIFFY activation.

1. Insert ECS software utility DVD and enter below "Utilities" screen. Click eJIFFY feature item to install.



2. Follow the onscreen instructions to finish eJIFFY setup.



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3. After setting up eJIFFY under Windows, you can switch eJIFFY display/keyboard language from English to your local language. The changes will be applied after rebooting.





Note: The keyboard language selection list offers several more regional keyboard setups to switch with the default English typing. Please refer to the usage FAQ for more tips.

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4. Restart your computer after eJIFFY installation. Press <DEL> or click the BIOS Setup button on the post screen to enter the BIOS setup page after boot up.



5. And then enter the *Advanced Setup* page to enable the item *ECS eJIFFY Function*. Press F10 to save the configuration and exit. Restart your computer.

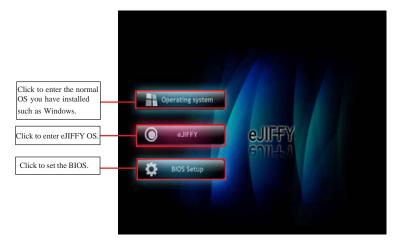


Note: 1. eJIFFY is available in SATA/IDE/AHCI mode. It does not support RAID configuration and the onboard 34-pin floppy drives.

2. Please refer to ECS website for new eJIFFY application updates.

# **Entering eJIFFY**

The post screen appears within several seconds after boot up and it has three buttons on it, Operating system, eJIFFY and BIOS Setup.



If you click eJIFFY, the following screen will appear. And If you make no choice it will enter the normal OS automatically after ten seconds.



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# **Feature Icons**

The following illustration shows the main feature icons that eJIFFY provides on the menu.





eWeb: Firefox for web browsing/webmail and watching flash video.



ePix: Photo viewing.



ePal: On-line chat tool to use the most popular IMs in the world. (MSN, ICQ, AIM, etc.)



Shows ePal on-line connection status.



Shut Down/Restart: Ends your session and turns off the computer./Ends your session and restart the computer.



Click once to connect the storage disk to your computer. Click for the second time to remove your storage disk safely. (please refer to the FAQ for more usage information.)



Shows the network connection status.



Language Control Panel



Switch Keyboard Languages

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# **Usage FAQ**



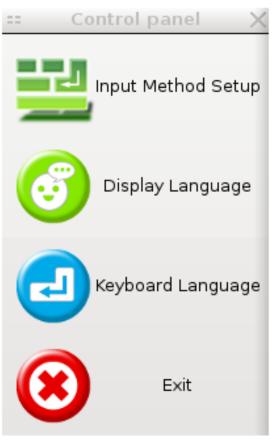
Language Control Panel: Besides setting English as the default interface, eJIFFY offers multi-language displays and keyboard settings for language-switch. Open the language control panel to select a preferable language setting.

# Keyboard Language Setup

Step1. Click



to open the language control panel.



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Step 2: Click "Keyboard Language" icon to open the keyboard selection

list, which offers several regional keyboard settings besides default English keyboard.

Step 3: Click the selected keyboard language (e.g. French) and press "OK".



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# **Tips for Language Switch:**

Tip 1: Click "Change Keyboard" icon to switch the typing language.



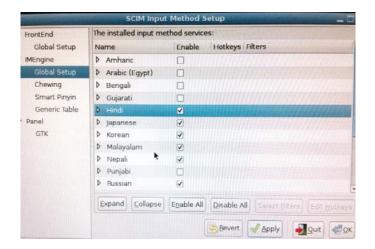
The typing language on text box will switch to the selected one:

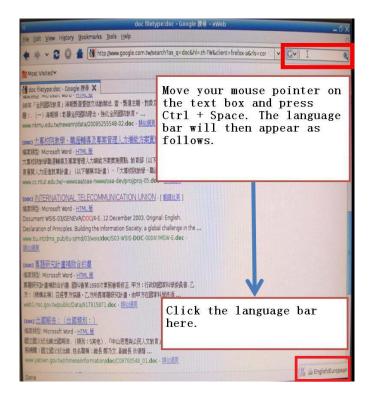


Click again to switch to English typing back.

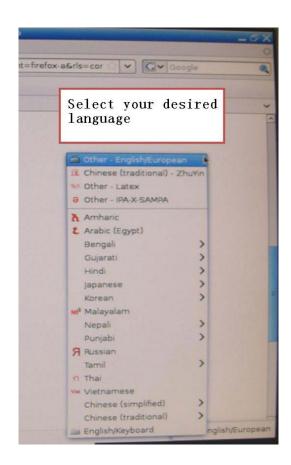
Tip 2. If you use the default English keyboard, eJIFFY still offers other language inputs to switch with English.





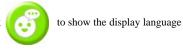


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Tip 3. How to change display language?

Open the Language Control Panel and click



list. Check your desired display language. Your selected display language will be applied after rebooting.



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eWeb: Firefox for web browsing/webmail and watching flash video.

#### Q1: How to download files to hard disk through eWeb?

Click on the file link directly. Then select "Save File" in the pop-up window.



Note: 1. Before downloading files, please "mount" the storage devices to make sure the device is connected with eJIFFY interface. (Please refer to the usage FAQ to mount devices)

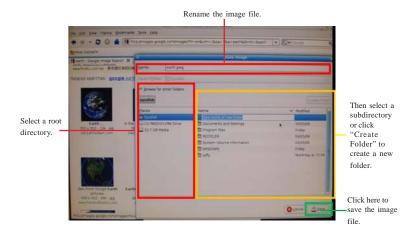
- 2. eWeb does not support Office Viewer/Reader/Writer format under eJIFFY interface. Please enter the Operating System to open Office files.
- 3. eWeb supports to open video/audio files online in Flash player format. Due to firefox limitation, the browser does not support files in Real player or Media player formats.

## Q2: How to save image file through eWeb?

1. Select the image you want to save and press the right key of your mouse to show the menu, then click the option " Save Image As" from the menu.



2. Then the "Save Image" window appears. You may rename the image file in the "Name" column and save the file in a folder as the following picture shows.

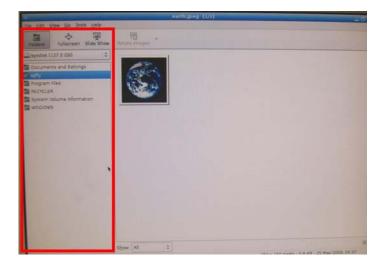


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# Q1: How to find image files saved in hard disk through ePix?

Enter the ePix window, then click the icon "Folder" located in the upper left-hand corner, then follow the path for the files you have saved to view the image files.

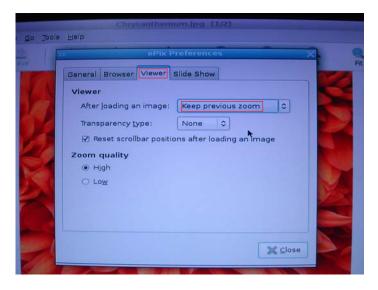


## Q2: How to use the fit function under slide show?

1. Click "Edit" and select "Preferences" option from the menu.



2. Click "Viewer" and choose "Keep previous zoom" in "After loading an image". Close the window and you can use the fit function under slide show now.



Note: ePix supports to view image files only. It cannot support Office Viewer or other forms beside image files. Supported image types are: BMP, JPEG, GIF (including GIF animations), PNG, TIFF, ICO and XPM.

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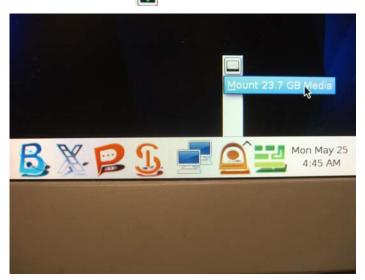


# Mount/Unmount Disk.

## Q1: What does it mean for "Mount Disk"?

"Mount" means to connect the storage devices to eJIFFY interface.

After plugging the external device to the computer such as USB drives, a new disk icon will appear as the following picture shows. Please click the "mount" prompt on the icon. It will change to to show the device is detected successfully.



## Q2: What does it mean for "Unmount Disk"?

"Unmount" is to safely remove the storage devices.

To unplug the external storage devices such as USB drives, users need to clik the "Unmount" prompt as the following picture shows, then the icon to just on you can remove the device now.



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# Chapter 6

# Trouble Shooting

# Start up problems during assembly

After assembling the PC for the first time you may experience some start up problems. Before calling for technical support or returning for warranty, this chapter may help to address some of the common questions using some basic troubleshooting tips.

## a) System does not power up and the fans are not running.

- 1.Disassemble the PC to remove the VGA adaptor card, DDR memory, LAN, USB and other peripherals including keyboard and mouse. Leave only the motherboard, CPU with CPU cooler and power supply connected. Turn on again to see if the CPU and power supply fans are running.
- 2. Make sure to remove any unused screws or other metal objects such as screwdrivers from the inside PC case. This is to prevent damage from short circuit.
- 3. Check the CPU FAN connector is connected to the motherboard.
- 4. For Intel platforms check the pins on the CPU socket for damage or bent. A bent pin may cause failure to boot and sometimes permanent damage from short circuit.
- 5. Check the 12V power connector is connected to the motherboard.
- 6. Check that the 12V power & ATX connectors are fully inserted into the motherboard connectors. Make sure the latches of the cable and connector are locked into place.

#### b) Power is on, fans are running but there is no display

- 1. Make sure the monitor is turned on and the monitor cable is properly connected to the PC.
- 2. Check the VGA adapter card (if applicable) is inserted properly.
- 3. Listen for beep sounds. If you are using internal PC speaker make sure it is connected
  - a. continuous 3 short beeps: memory not detected
  - b. 1 long beep and 8 short beeps: VGA not detected

#### c) The PC suddenly shuts down while booting up.

- 1. The CPU may experience overheating so it will shutdown to protect itself. Ensure the CPU fan is working properly.
- 2. From the BIOS setting, try to disable the Smartfan function to let the fan run at default speed. Doing a Load Optimised Default will also disable the Smartfan.

# Start up problems after prolong use

After a prolong period of use your PC may experience start up problems again. This may be caused by breakdown of devices connected to the motherboard such as HDD, CPU fan, etc. The following tips may help to revive the PC or identify the cause of failure.

- 1. Clear the CMOS values using the CLR\_CMOS jumper. Refer to CLR\_CMOS jumper in Chapter 2 for Checking Jumper Settings in this user manual. When completed, follow up with a Load Optimised Default in the BIOS setup.
- Check the CPU cooler fan for dust. Long term accumulation of dust will reduce its effectiveness to cool the processor. Clean the cooler or replace a new one if necessary.
- 3. Check that the 12V power & ATX connectors are fully inserted into the motherboard connectors. Make sure the latches of the cable and connector are locked into place.
- 4. Remove the hard drive, optical drive or DDR memory to determine which of these component may be at fault.

# Maintenance and care tips

Your computer, like any electrical appliance, requires proper care and maintenance. Here are some basic PC care tips to help prolong the life of the motherboard and keep it running as best as it can.

- Keep your computer in a well ventilated area. Leave some space between the PC and the wall for sufficient airflow.
- Keep your computer in a cool dry place. Avoid dusty areas, direct sunlight and areas of high moisture content.
- 3. Routinely clean the CPU cooler fan to remove dust and hair.
- In places of hot and humid weather you should turn on your computer once every other week to circulate the air and prevent damage from humidity.
- 5. Add more memory to your computer if possible. This not only speeds up the system but also reduces the loading of your hard drive to prolong its life span.
- 6. If possible, ensure the power cord has an earth ground pin directly from the wall outlet. This will reduce voltage fluctuation that may damage sensitive devices.

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or connect to wall socket Turn on PSU switch CLR CMOS and restart and restart. If board problem -> contact RMA and PSU switch is turned on? Problem with PSU or board? AC power cord is plugged Yes Board problem -> contact RMA System fail to start or unstable after modify BIOS setting. 8 CLR CMOS and check Check if monitor has display if CPU 12V power Restart the PC Yes is connected 8 - If 1 long beep and 8 short beeps: DIMM memory not properly inserted or memory failure Any Beep sound? Yes - If 3 short beeps: VGA not detected Peripheral device issue need to CLRCMOS. CMOS setup error, HDD problem. Š 8 8 Power Button is pressed Check if Power Supply Unit (PSU) is working CLR CMOS and restart. Halt at POST screen ?Check if monitor has If fail, contact RMA Yes but PC fails to start. Yes display

**Basic Troubleshooting Flowchart** 

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