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**FC-PGA/PPGA Celeron
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Based AGPset MAIN BOARD**

User's Manual

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 To Different Users

First-Time DIY System Builder

Welcome to the DIY world! Building your own computer system is not as difficult as you may think. To make your first computer DIY experience a success, right from the start, we have designed the **3.1 Hardware Installation** section in a step-by-step fashion for all the first-time DIY system builders. Prior to installation, we also suggest you to read the whole manual carefully to gain a complete understanding of your new Shuttle ME21 mainboard.

Experienced DIY User

Congratulate on your purchase of the Shuttle ME21 mainboard. You will find that installing your new Shuttle ME21 mainboard is just that easy. Bundled with an array of onboard functions, the highly-integrated ME21 mainboard provides you with a total solution to build the most stable and reliable system. Refer to section **3.2 Jumper Settings** and **Chapter 4 Software Utility** to find out how to get the best out of your new mainboard. **Chapter 5 BIOS Setup** also contains relevant information on how to tune up your system to achieve higher performance.

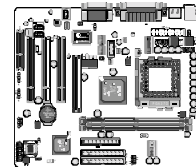
System Integrator

You have wisely chosen Shuttle ME21 to construct your system. Shuttle ME21 incorporates all the state-of-the-art technology of the 815E chipset from Intel. It integrates the most advanced functions you can find to date in a compact MicroATX board. Refer to section **3.2 Jumper Settings** and **Chapter 4 Software Utility** for an in-depth view of system construction.

1.2 Item Checklist:

Check all items you received with your ME21 mainboard to make sure nothing is missing. The complete package should contains below items :

- ★ One Shuttle ME21 Mainboard



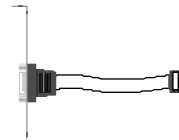
- ★ One ATA **100/66/33** Ribbon Cable



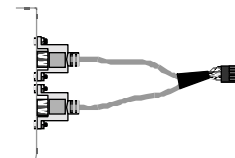
- ★ One Floppy Ribbon Cable



- ★ One 9-pin COM2 Cable



- ★ One two ports USB Cable (**optional**)



- ★ This ME21 User's Manual



- ★ One Shuttle Spacewalker Bundled CD-ROM containing:

- The ME21 user's manual saved in PDF format
- Intel Chipset System Driver
- AGP device VGA driver
- AC97 audio CODEC driver
- Synthesizer Software
- IDE driver
- Award Flashing Utility



2 FEATURES

The ME21 mainboard is carefully designed for the demanding PC user who wants high performance and maximum intelligent features in a compact package.

2.1 Specifications

★ CPU Support

Support Socket370 package CPU with 66/100/133 MHz FSB.
Intel PPGA/FC-PGA Celeron processors: 300 ~ 800+ MHz.
Intel Pentium III FC-PGA processors: 500MHz ~ 1.13+ GHz.

★ Chipset

Features Intel 815E, 815/82801BA chipset.

★ Jumperless CPU Configuration

Soft-configuration FSB (The FSB speed is software configurable from 66MHz to 166MHz in the Frequency/Voltage Control of BIOS setup program.)

★ Integrated Graphics Controller

Enhancement 3D graphics visual and texturing features
Integrated 24-bit 230MHz RAMDAC
Supports VESA DDC2B
Up to 1600X1200 in 8-bit color at 85Hz refresh in 2D graphics

★ AC'97 Link for Audio and Telephony CODEC

AC'97 2.1 compliant
Independent bus master logic for 5 channels
Separately independent PCI function for Audio and Modem

★ Versatile Memory Support

Is equipped with two DIMM sockets for (16, 32, 64, 128, 256, or 512 MB)
168-pin 100MHz or 133MHz PC SDRAM memory modules up to 512 MB.

★ PCI Expansion Slots

Provides three 32-bit PCI slots.

★ AGP Expansion Slots (AIMM Expansion Slot)

Provides one 32-bit AGP slot which supports up to 4X AGP device.

Alternative function: AIMM expansion slot.

AIMM(AGP In-Line Memory Module) is the display cache of the integrated graphic controller. This slot can support AIMM for up to 4MB of 133MHz SDRAM display cache to deliver high quality video graphics.

Note: The AIMM Card is optional at the time of purchase.

★ CNR Expansion Slots

Provides one CNR (Communication Network Riser) slot.

The CNR Slot supports the audio, modem, Lan ,Home PNA of the Intel 815E chipset

Note: The CNR Card is optional at the time of purchase.

★ Onboard I/O Port and Interface

Provides a variety of I/O interfaces:

- 1 × Floppy interface for 3.5-inch FDD with 720KB, 1.44MB, 2.88MB format or for 5.25-inch FDD with 360KB or 1.2MB format.
- 1 × PS/2 mouse connector
- 1 × PS/2 Keyboard connector
- 2 × DB9 Serial ports 16V550 UART compatible
- 2 ports USB connectors on back panel and one set of header for optional extended 2 ports USB cable.
- 1 × Infrared communications port.
(Serial port COM2 can also be redirected to an external IrDA Adapter for wireless connection.)
- 1 × DB15 VGA connector
- 1 × DB25 Parallel port supporting Standard Parallel Port and Bi-directional (SPP), Enhanced Parallel Port (EPP), and Extended Capabilities Port (ECP) data transmission schemes.

★ PCI Bus Master IDE Controller Onboard

Two Ultra DMA **100/66/33** Bus Master Dual-channel IDE ports provide support to a maximum of four IDE devices (one Master and one Slave per channel). The IDE Bus implements data transfer speeds of up to **100/66/33** MB/sec and also supports Enhanced PIO Modes 0 ~ 4.

80-pin Cable Backward Compatible Legacy ATAPI Devices, ATAPI IDE CD-ROM, CD-R, CD-RW, and LS-120 Supports.

★ **ATX Power Supply Connector**

ATX power supply unit can connect to the onboard 20-pin ATX power connector, supporting Suspend and Soft-On/Off by dual-function power button.

★ **Advanced Configuration and Power Interface**

Features four power saving modes: S1 (Snoop), S3 (Suspend to RAM), and S5 (Soft-Off). ACPI provides more efficient Energy Saving Features controlled by your operating system that supports OS Direct Power Management (OSPM) functionality.

★ **System BIOS**

Provides licensed Award BIOS V6.0 PG on Intel Firmware Hub 4Mb Flash core and supports Green PC, Desktop Management Interface (DMI).

★ **MicroATX Form Factor**

System board conforms to the MicroATX specification.
Board dimensions: 245mm × 215mm.

★ **Advanced Features**

- **Low EMI** -- Built in spread spectrum and automatic clock shut-off of unused PCI/SDRAM slots to reduce the EMI.
- **PS/2 Keyboard / PS/2 Mouse Power-On** - This mainboard implements a special jumper to enable a system power-on function by PS/2 keyboard or PS/2 mouse.
- **Dual Function Power Button** - The system can be in one of two states, one is Suspend mode and the other is Soft-Off mode. Pushing the power button for less than 4 seconds places the system into Suspend mode. When the power button is pressed for longer than 4 seconds, the system enters the Soft-Off mode.
- **Wake-on-LAN (WOL)** - The onboard WOL connector can be attached to a network card that supports this function to wake up the system via the LAN.
- **Modem Ring Power-On** - The system can be powered on automatically by the activation of the modem ringing.

★ Intelligent Features

- **CPU Host Clock Setting**- This item allows users to adjust CPU Host Clock in BIOS.
- **CPU Ratio Setting**- This item allows users to adjust CPU Ratio in BIOS.
Note : All the processors on market nowadays the ratio setting is almost fixed.
- **Voltage Monitoring** - Monitors various voltages of key elements, such as the CPU, and other critical system voltage levels to ensure stable current passing through mainboard components. System voltages include Vcore on CPU, and + 5V, + 12V, -5V, -12V on system etc.
- **Fan Status Monitoring** - To prevent CPU from overheating, the CPU fan is monitored for RPM and failure. (CPU Cooling FAN with RPM sensor is required.)
- **Temperature Monitoring** - This item allows users to make sure whether the CPU or system runs in a suitable temperature.

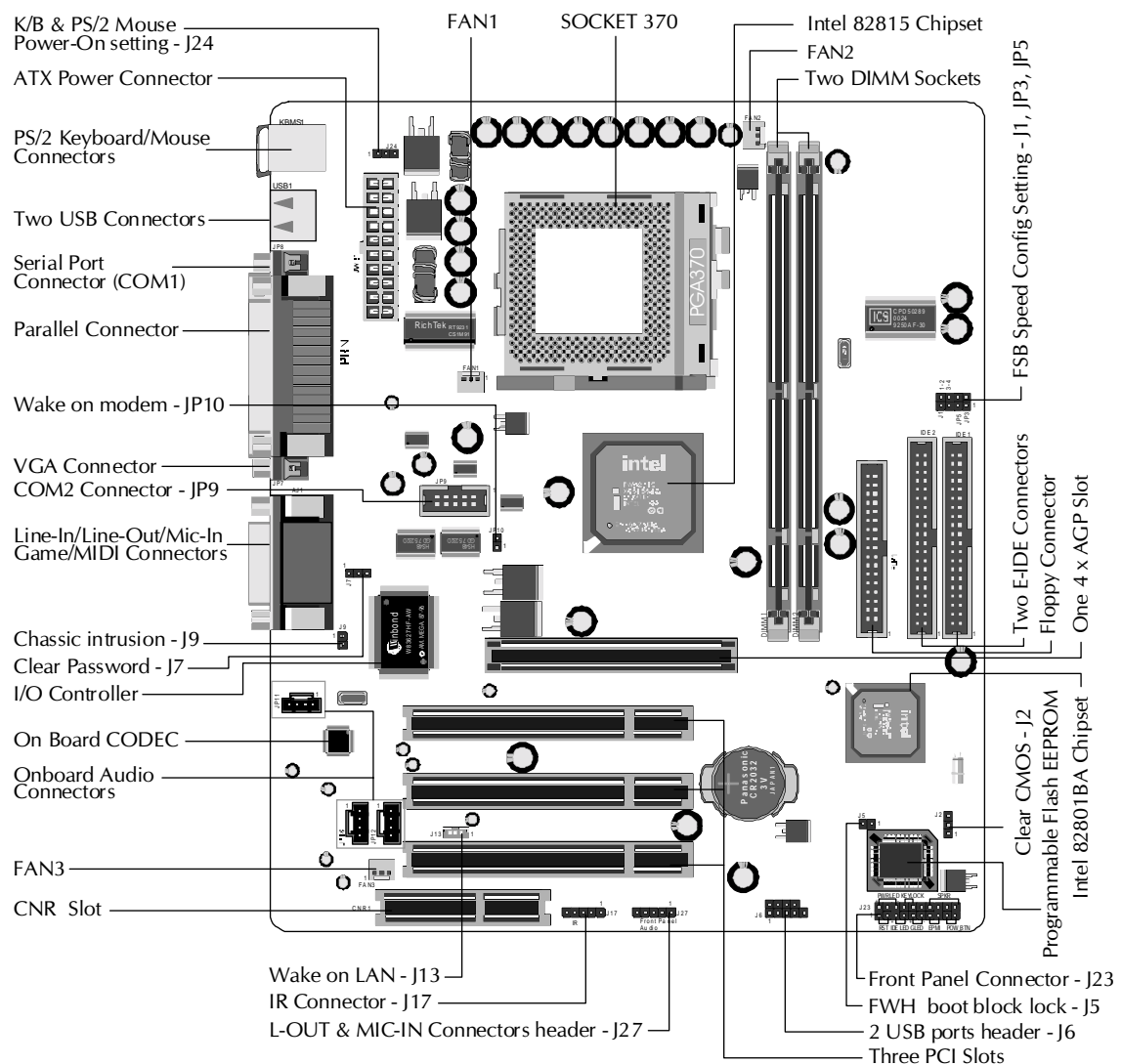
3 HARDWARE INSTALLATION

Before removing or installing any of these devices including CPU, DIMMs, Add-On Cards, Cables, please make sure to unplug the onboard power connector.

This section outlines how to install and configure your ME21 mainboard. Refer to the following mainboard layout to help you to identify various jumpers, connectors, slots, and ports. Then follow these steps designed to guide you through a quick and correct installation of your system.

3.1 Step-by-Step Installation

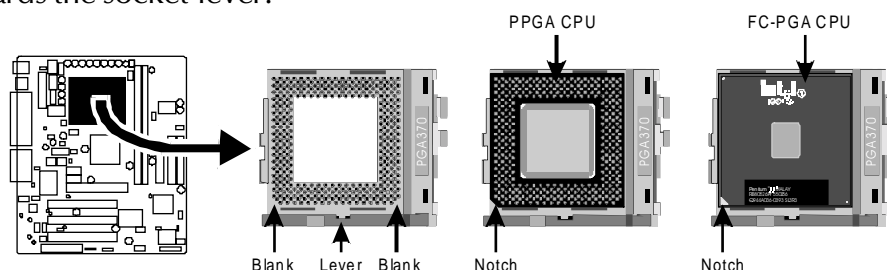
Accessories of ME21



Step 1

Install the CPU:

1. Locate the CPU ZIF (Zero Insertion Force) socket on the upper-right sector of your mainboard (between the back panel connectors and the DIMM memory banks).
2. Pull the CPU ZIF socket lever slightly sideways away from the socket to unlock the lever, then bring it to an upward vertical position.
3. Place your PPGA / FC-PGA 370 processor in the ZIF socket. Note that the CPU's edges have been purposely designed non-symmetrical to prevent from inserting the processor in the wrong direction. The following diagram demonstrates the correct placement of the CPU in the ZIF socket. You can see that the two blunt-edged corners should face towards the socket-lever.



4. Slightly push the CPU into the socket without applying excessive force while making sure there is no gap between CPU and socket. Then lower the socket-lever all the way down to its horizontal position and lock it to secure the CPU in place.
5. The PPGA / FC-PGA 370 CPU requires a set of heatsink/fan to ensure proper cooling of the processor. If they are not already mounted on your CPU, you must purchase them separately and have it installed. Plug the cable from the heatsink/fan to the CPU fan power connector located nearby. Note that there are several types of CPU fan connectors. Normally, if your mainboard supports the hardware monitoring function, a 3-pin fan power connector should allow your system to detect the CPU fan's speed. The CPU fan can also run with a 2-pin fan power connector, however, detection of CPU fan's speed is not supported. Another type of CPU fan may feature a large 4-pin fan power connector, which does not support CPU fan's speed detection and must connect directly to the system's power supply unit.

Step 2.

Set Jumpers

This mainboard is jumperless! The default jumper settings have been set for the common usage standard of this mainboard. Therefore, you do not need to reset the jumpers unless you require special adjustments as any of the following cases:

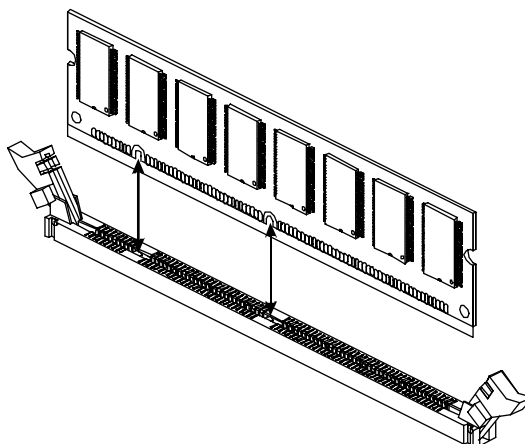
1. Over-clock your CPU
2. Disabled the onboard audio before installing an add-on sound card
3. Clear CMOS
4. Clear system password
5. Clear PS/2 Keyboard Power on password

For first-time DIY system builders, we recommend that you do not change the default jumper settings if you are not totally familiar with the mainboard configuration procedures. The factory-set default settings are tuned for optimum system performance. For the advanced users who wish to customize their system, section **3.2 Jumper Settings** will provide detailed information on how to configure your mainboard manually.

Step 3

Install SDRAM System Memory

To insert memory module(s) in any one or two DIMM banks, please note that modules are directional and will not go in the DIMM slots if they are not properly oriented. After the module is fully inserted into the DIMM socket, lift the clips of both sides of the DIMM bank to lock the module in place.



Step 4

Install Internal Peripherals in System Case

Before you install and connect the mainboard into your system case, we recommend that you first assemble all the internal peripheral devices into the computer housing, including ,but not limited to the hard disk drive (IDE/HDD), floppy disk drive (FDD), CD-ROM drive, and ATX power supply unit. This will greatly facilitate in making the connections to the mainboard described below.

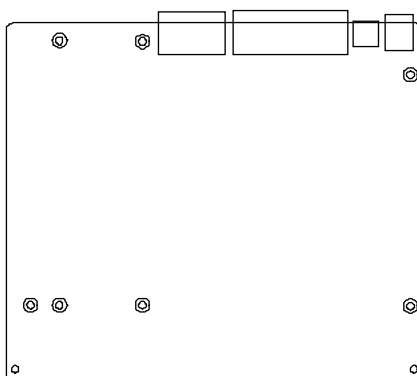
To install IDE & FDD drives, follow this procedure:

1. Set the required jumpers on each device according to the instructions provided by the manufacturer. (IDE devices, HDD and CD-ROM, have to set jumpers to Master or Slave mode depending on whether you install more than one device of each kind.)
2. Connect IDE cable and FDD cable on the back panel of the internal peripheral devices to the corresponding headers on board. Note that the cable should be oriented with its colored stripe (usually red or magenta) connected to pin#1 both on the mainboard IDE or FDD connector and on the device as well.
3. Connect an available power cable from your system power supply unit to the back panel of each peripheral device. Note that the power cable is directional and cannot fit in if it is not properly positioned.
4. Connect serial port cable to on board COM2 header. And install the other side of COM2 cable to back panel with a screw.

Step 5

Mount the Mainboard on the Computer Chassis

1. You may find that there are a lot of different mounting hole positions both on your computer chassis and on the mainboard. To choose correct mounting holes, the key point is to keep the back panel of the mainboard in a close fit with your system case, as shown below.



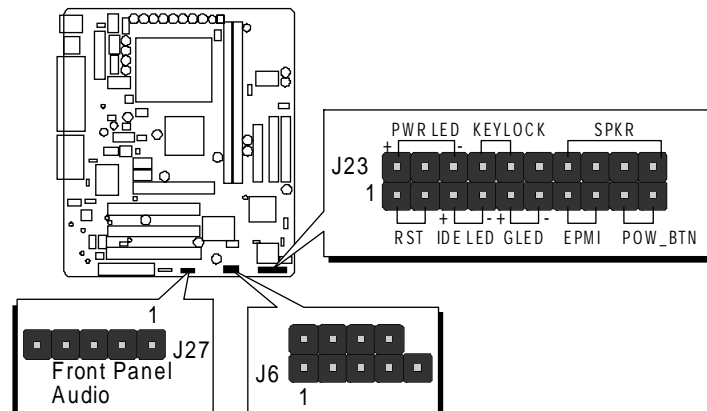
2. After deciding on the proper mounting holes, position the studs between the frame of the chassis and the mainboard. The studs are used to fix the mainboard and to keep a certain distance between the system chassis and the mainboard, in order to avoid any electrical shortage between the board and the metal frame of the chassis. (If your computer case is already equipped with mounting studs, you will need to tighten screws to attach the mainboard.)

Note: In most computer housings, you will be able to find 4 or more attachment points to install mounting studs and then fix the mainboard. If there aren't enough matching holes, then make sure to install at least 4 mounting studs to ensure proper attachment of the mainboard.

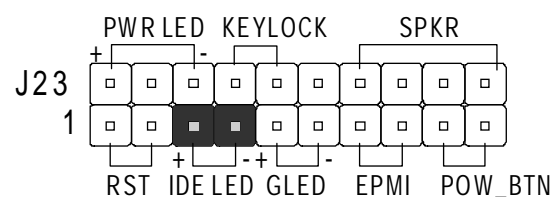
Step 6

Connect Front-panel Switches/LEDs/Speaker/Audio/USB connectors

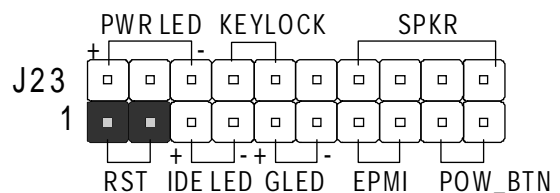
You can find there are several different cables already existing in the system case and originating from the computer's front-panel devices (HDD LED, Power LED, Reset Switch, PC Speaker, or USB devices etc.) These cables serve to connect the front-panel switches, LEDs, USB, Line-Out, and Mic-In connectors to the mainboard's front-panel connectors group (J23, J6, and J27), as shown below.



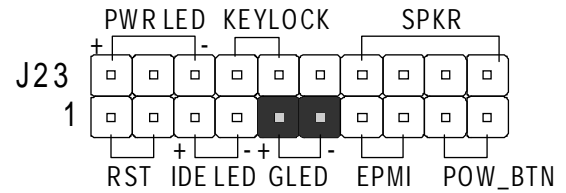
1. HDD LED (IDE LED)



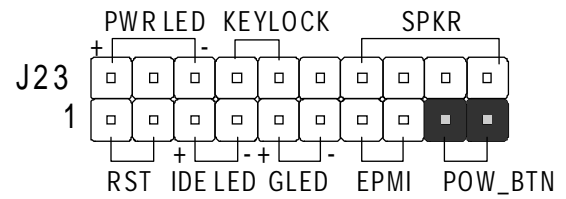
2. RESET (RST) - Hardware Reset Switch



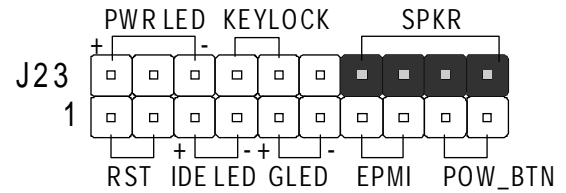
3. Green LED (GLED)



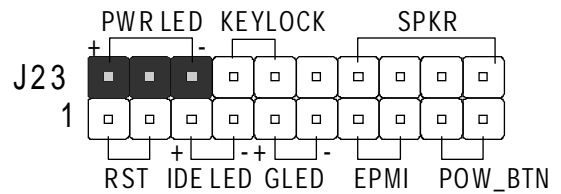
4. Power Switch (POW_BTN)
- ATX Soft Power On/Off



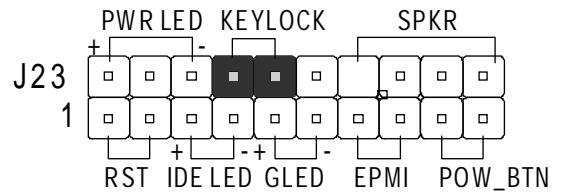
5. SPEAKER (SPKR)



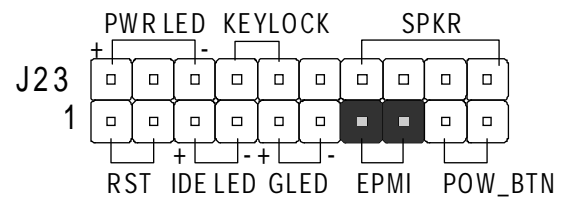
6. POWER LED (PWR LED)



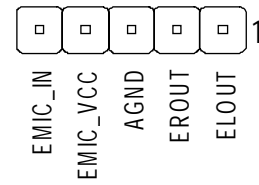
7. KEYLOCK



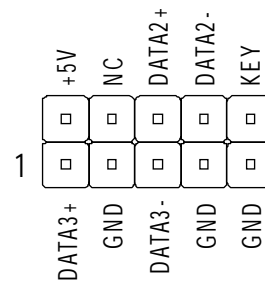
8. EPMI (Hardware System
Management Interface)



9. Extended Line-Out and Mic-In header (J27)



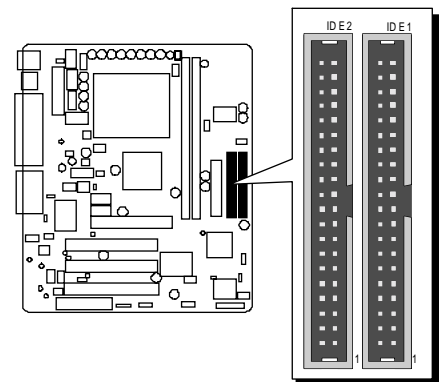
10. Extended two USB connectors header (J6)



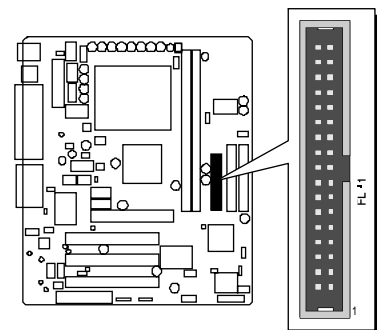
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Connect IDE & Floppy Disk Drives

1. IDE cable connector



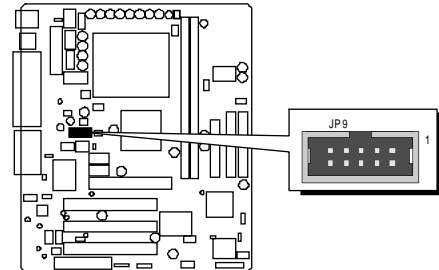
2. FDD cable connector



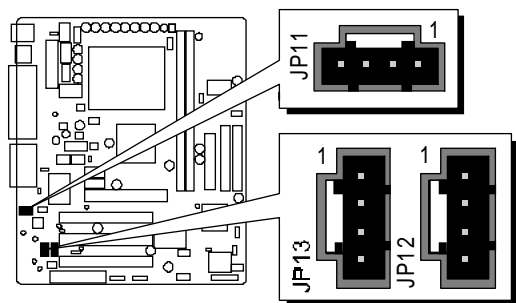
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Connect Other Internal Peripherals

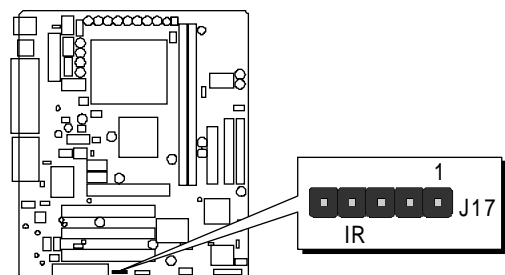
1. COM 2 cable connector



2. Telephone_IN, Auxiliary_IN, CD_IN connectors



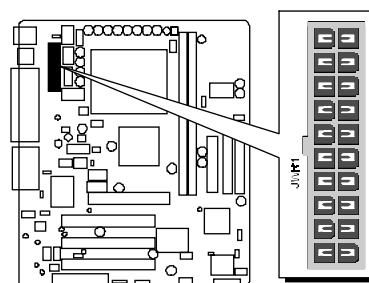
3. IR connector



Step 9

Connect the Power Supply

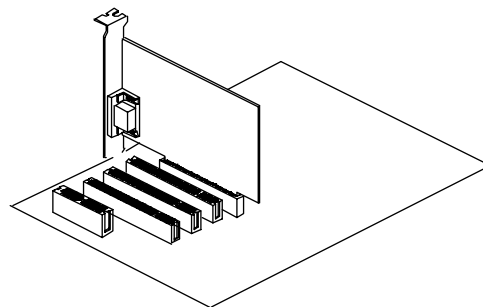
1. System power connector



Step 10

Install Add-on Cards in Expansion Slots

1. Accelerated Graphics Port (AGP) Card

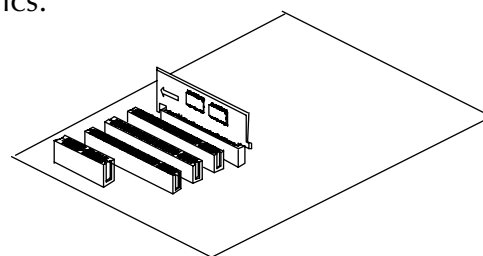


2. A1MM Card

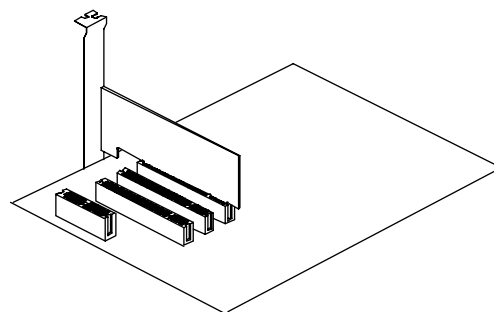
(AGP In_Line Memory Module)

This slot can support A1MM with up to 4MB of 133MHz SDRAM display cache to deliver high quality video graphics.

Note: The A1MM Card is optional at the time of purchase.



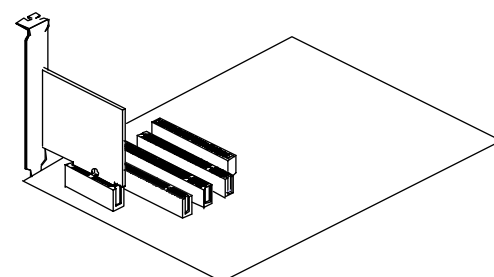
3. PCI Card



4. CNR(Communication Network Riser) Card

The CNR Slot supports the audio, modem, lan, Home PNA of Intel 82801BA chipset.

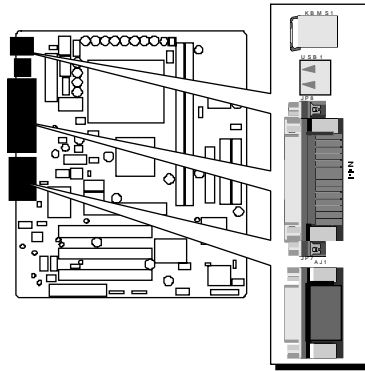
Note: The CNR Card is optional at the time of purchase.



Step 11

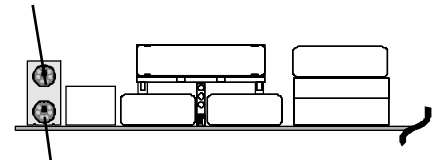
Connect External Peripherals to Back-Panel

You are now ready to put the computer case back together and get on to the external peripherals connections to your system's back panel.



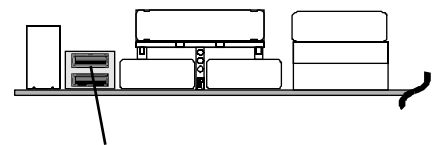
1. PS/2 Mouse and Keyboard

PS/2 Mouse



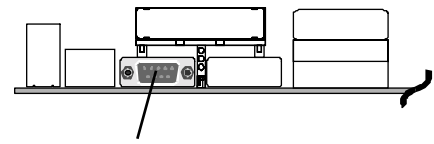
PS/2 keyboard

2. USB Devices



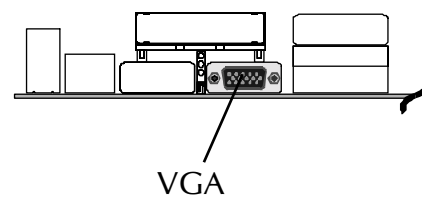
USB1 & USB2

3. COM Port

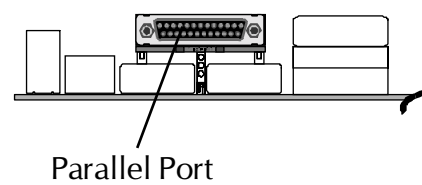


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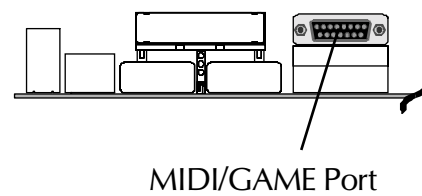
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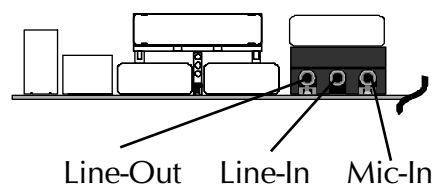
5. Parallel Port



6. MIDI/GAME Port



7. Audio Line-in / Line-out / Mic-in



Step 12

First Time System Boot-Up

To assure the completeness and correctness of your system installation, you may check the above installation steps once again before you boot up your system for the first time.

1. Insert a bootable system floppy disk (DOS 6.2x, Windows 95/98/NT, or others) which contains FDISK and FORMAT utilities into the FDD.
2. Turn on the system power.
3. First, you must use the FDISK utility to create a primary partition of the hard disk. You can also add an extended partition if your primary partition does not use all of the available hard disk space. If you choose to add an extended partition, you will have to create one or more logical partitions to occupy all the space available to the extended partition. The FDISK utility will assign a drive letter (i.e., C:, D:, E:,...) to each partition which will be shown in the FDISK program. After FDISK procedure, reboot your system by using the same system floppy disk.

Note: DOS 6.2x and Windows 95A can only support up to 2.1GB of HDD partition. If you use the FDISK utility with one of the operating systems mentioned above, you can only install your HDD into partitions no larger than 2.1GB each.

4. Now, use the FORMAT utility to format all the partitions you've created. When formatting the primary partition (C:), make sure to use the `FORMAT C: /S` command.

Note: `FORMAT C: /S` can transfer all the necessary system files into the primary partition of your hard disk. Then, your HDD will become a bootable drive.

5. Install all the necessary drivers for CD-ROM, Mouse, etc.
6. Setup the complete operating system according to your OS installation guide.

Step 13

Install Drivers & Software Components

Please note that all the system utilities and drivers are designed for Win 9x operating systems only. Make sure your Windows 9x operating system is already installed before running the drivers installation CD-ROM programs.

1. Insert the ME21 bundled CD-ROM into your CD-ROM drive. The auto-run program will display the drivers main installation window on screen.
2. Select the Mainboard related program.
3. Install Chipset and AGP drivers.
4. Return to the main installation window and select the Audio Device related program.
5. Install Audio driver and Synthesizer.
6. Return to the Audio installation window and install IDE driver.

3.2 Jumper Settings

Several hardware settings are made through the use of mini jumpers to connect jumper pins on the mainboard. Pin #1 could be located at any corner of each jumper, you just find a location with white right angle which stand for pin 1#. There are several types of pin 1# shown as below:

3-pin and multi (> 3) pin jumpers shown as following:

Pin #1 to the left:



Pin #1 on the top:





Pin #1 to the right:



Pin #1 on the bottom:



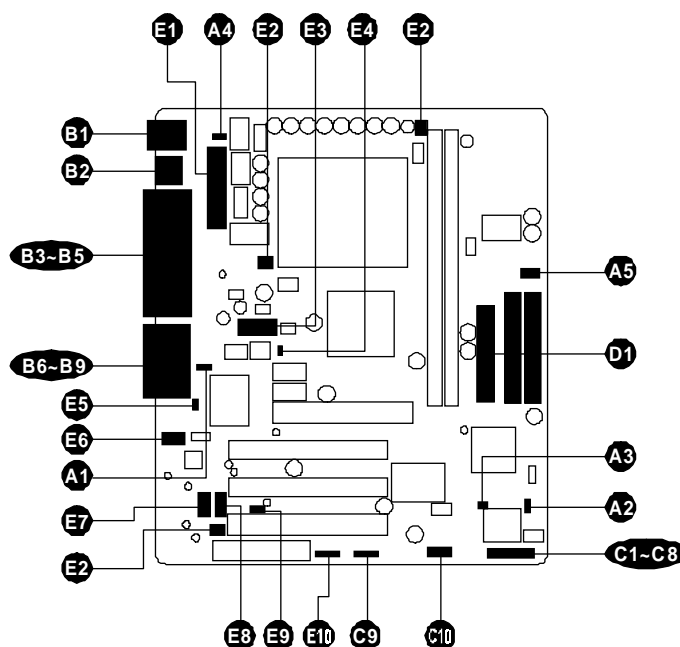
Jumpers with two pins are shown as  for Close [On] or  for Open [Off]. To Short jumper pins, simply place a plastic mini jumpers over the desired pair of pins.

Caution!

1. Do not remove the mainboard from its antistatic protective packaging until you are ready to install it.
2. Carefully hold the mainboard by its edges and avoid touching its components. When putting the mainboard down, place it on top of its original packaging film, on an even surface, and components side up.
3. Wear an antistatic wrist strap or take other suitable measures to prevent electrostatic discharge (ESD) whenever handling this equipment.

Jumpers & Connectors Guide

Use the mainboard layout on page 12 to locate CPU socket, memory banks, expansion slots, jumpers and connectors on the mainboard during the installation. The following list will help you to identify jumpers, slots, and connectors along with their assigned functions:



CPU/Memory/Expansion Slots

Socket370 : CPU Socket for PPGA/FC-PGA 370 processors

DIMM1/2 : Two DIMM Sockets for 16,32,64,128,256, or 512MB,3.3V
SDRAM(Total memory installed is 512MB.)

AGP / AIMM : One AGP (Accelerated Graphics Port) Slot / AGP In_Line
Memory Module

PCI : Three 32-bit PCI Expansion Slots

CNR : Communication Network Riser Slot

Jumpers

- A1** J7 : Clear PS/2 Keyboard power on password
- A2** J2 : Clear CMOS setting
- A3** J5 : Firmware Hub block lock
- A4** J24 : K/B & PS/2 Mouse Power-On setting
- A5** J1,JP3,JP5 : FSB speed auto configure setting

Back Panel Connectors

B1	KB	: PS/2 Keyboard
B1	MS	: PS/2 Mouse
B2	USB	: 2 × USB (Universal Serial Bus) Ports
B3	COM1	: Serial Port 1 (DB9 male)
B4	VGA	: VGA Port (DB15 female)
B5	PRINTER	: Parallel Port (DB25 female)
B6	LINE_OUT	: LINE_OUT Port
B7	LINE_IN	: LINE_IN Port
B8	MIC_IN	: MIC_IN Port
B9	GAME/MIDI	: GAME/MIDI Port

Front Panel Connectors

C1	RST	: Hardware Reset Switch
C2	IDE LED	: IDE Drive Active LED
C3	KEYLOCK	: KEYLOCK
C4	EPMI	: Hardware System Management Interface Momentary Type Switch (EPMI)
C5	POW_BTN	: ATX Power On/Off Momentary Type Switch
C6	PWR LED	: System Power LED
C7	GLED	: Green LED
C8	SPKR	: Housing Internal Speaker
C9	L-OUT/MIC	: Extended Line-Out and Mic-In Header
C10	USB	: Extended two USB Connector Header (USB3 and USB4)

Internal Peripherals Connectors

D1	FLP1	: Floppy Disk Drive Interface
D1	IDE1	: IDE Primary Interface (Dual-channel)
D1	IDE2	: IDE Secondary Interface (Dual-channel)

Other Connectors

E1	JWR1	: ATX Power (20-pin header) Connector
E2	FAN1	: CPU FAN Connector
E2	FAN2	: System FAN Connector
E2	FAN3	: AGP FAN Connector


E3	JP9	: COM2 Connector
E4	JP10	: Wake On Modem Connector
E5	J9	: Chassis Intrusion Connector
E6	JP11	: Telephone_IN Connector
E7	JP12	: Auxiliary_IN Connector
E8	JP13	: CD_IN Connector
E9	J13	: Wake on Lan Connector
E10	J17	: IR Connector



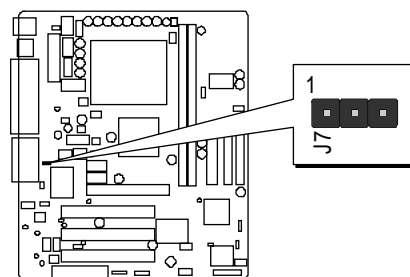
Jumpers

A1 Clear PS/2 Keyboard Power on Password (J7)

J7 is used to clear PS/2 keyboard power on password. Clearing the J7 will result in erasing the password you set previously and then user may power on your system without any secret code.

1  Pin 2-3 (Clear Password)

1  Pin 1-2 (Default)



Step 1. Turn off the system power (PC-> Off)

Step 2. Remove mini jumpers from pin 1-2 of J7


Step 3. Place the mini jumpers on pin 2-3 of J7 for a few seconds


Step 4. Return the mini jumpers to pin 1-2

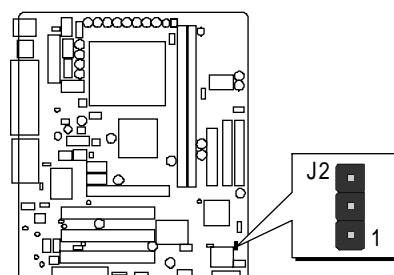
Step 5. Turn on the system power (PC-> On)

A2 Clear CMOS Setting (J2)

J2 is used to clear CMOS data. Clearing CMOS will result in permanently the erasing previous system configuration settings and the restoring original (factory-set) system settings.

1  Pin 1-2 (Default)

1  Pin 2-3 (Clear CMOS)



Step 1. Turn off the system power (PC-> Off)

Step 2. Remove mini jumpers from J2 pins 1-2

Step 3. Place the mini jumpers on J2 pin 2-3 for a few seconds

Step 4. Return the mini jumpers to pin 1-2

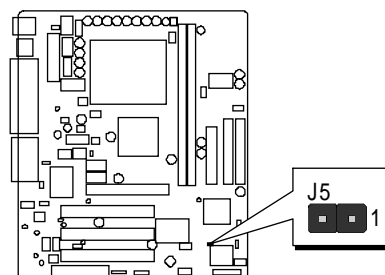
Step 5. Turn on the system power (PC-> On)

A3 Firmware Hub Block Lock (J5)

You may flash BIOS (FWH) by placing mini jumpers on pin 1-2.

 1 FWH Block Lock

 1 Flash BIOS (Default)



Reflash the BIOS, follow these steps:

Step 1. Turn off the system power (PC-> Off).


Step 2. Make sure of place jumper cap on J5 pin 1-2.

Step 3. Insert a bootable system floppy disk with ME21 BIOS flashutility and then turn on your system to execute flash utility.

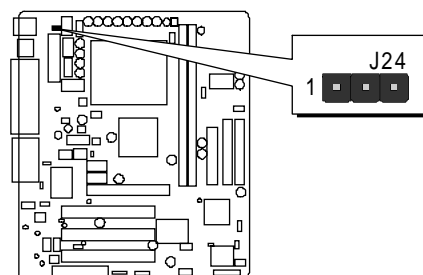
A4 PS/2 Keyboard & PS/2 Mouse Power-On Setting (J24)

ME21 mainboard provides an easy-to-use function to power on system by PS/2 keyboard and PS/2 mouse.

Firstly, you must set J24 jumper to enable power-on function. Then you also need to specify the proper key through BIOS setup program. Please go to field "POWER ON Function" under the sub-menu of "Integrated Peripherals" in BIOS setup program.

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2-3 (default, Enable
power-on function)

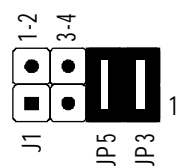
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1-2 (Disable power-on function)



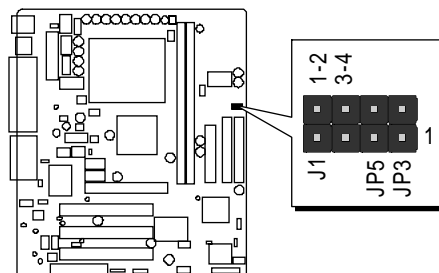
A5 FSB Speed Auto Configure Setting (J1, JP5, JP3)

ME21 provides jumper J1, JP5 and JP3 to set auto configure front side bus at 66MHz, 100MHz, 133MHz. Insert mini-mini jumpers on JP5 and JP3 and leave J1 all open as below to identify automatically the FSB speed.

Default



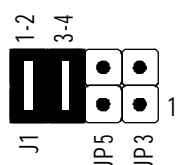
Set FSB hardware jumper to Auto.



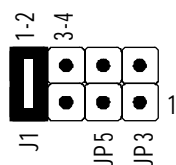
When the FSB auto config. function is enabled, the user may still adjust CPU Host clock through the option "CPU HOST/PCI Clock/PC133" in sub-menu of "Frequency/Voltage Control" of BIOS setup program.

For experienced users, ME21 mainboard provides an alternative hardware configured function to adjust Front Side Bus manually. Before you adjust FSB frequency by jumper, you need to remove all mini jumpers from JP5, JP3 and insert mini jumpers properly on J1 and set "CPU HOST/PCI Clock/PC133" option in sub-menu of "Frequency/Voltage Control" of BIOS setup program.

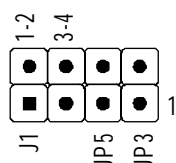
Manual



Set FSB hardware jumper to 66MHz.



Set FSB hardware jumper to 100MHz.

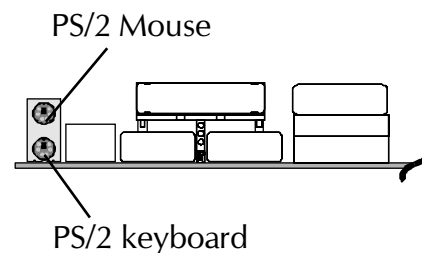


Set FSB hardware jumper to 133MHz.

Back-Panel Connectors

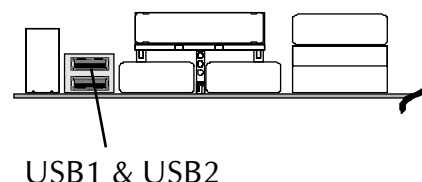
B1 PS/2 Keyboard & PS/2 Mouse Connectors

Two 6-pin female PS/2 keyboard & Mouse connectors are located at the rear panel of the mainboard. Depending on the computer housing you use (desktop or minitower), the PS/2 Mouse connector is situated at the top of the PS/2 Keyboard connector when the mainboard is laid into a desktop, as opposed to a minitower where the PS/2 Mouse connector is located at the right of the PS/2 Keyboard's. Plug the PS/2 keyboard and mouse jacks into their corresponding connectors.



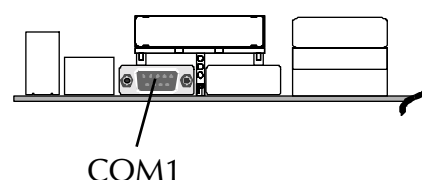
B2 USB1/USB2 Port Connectors

This mainboard offers 2 USB ports on back-panel. Plug each USB device jack into an available USB1/USB2 connector.



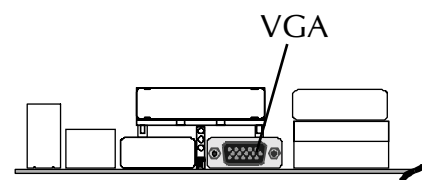
B3 COM1 Connector

This mainboard can accommodate one serial device on COM1. Attach a serial device cable to the DB9 serial port COM1 at the back-panel of your computer.



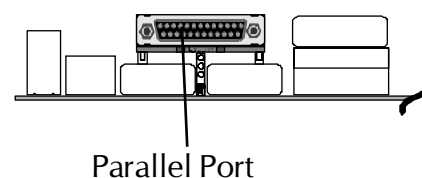
B4 VGA Connector

One 15-pin VGA connector is located at the rear panel of the mainboard.



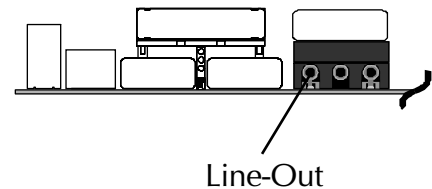
B5 Parallel Port Connector

One DB25 female parallel connector is located at the rear panel of the mainboard. Plug the connection cable from your parallel device (printer, scanner, etc.) into this connector.



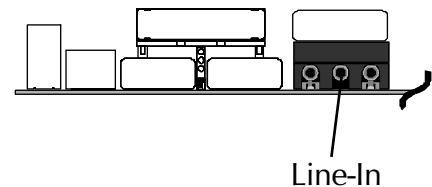
B6 Line-Out

Line-Out is a stereo output port through which the combined signal of all internal and external audio sources on the board is output. It can be connected to 1/8-inch TRS stereo headphones or to amplified speakers



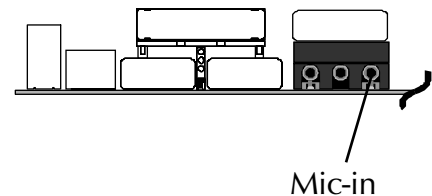
B7 Line-In

Line-In is a stereo line-level input port that accepts a 1/8-inch TRS stereo plug. It can be used as a source for digital sound recording, a source to be mixed with the output, or both.



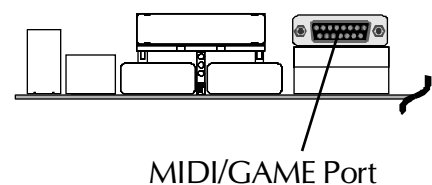
B8 Mic-In

Mic-In is a 1/8-inch jack that provides a mono input. It can use a dynamic mono or stereo microphone with a resistance of not more than 600 Ohms.



B9 MIDI/GAME Port

The MIDI/GAME port is a 15-pin female connector. This port can be connected to any IBM PC compatible game with a 15-pin D-sub connector.



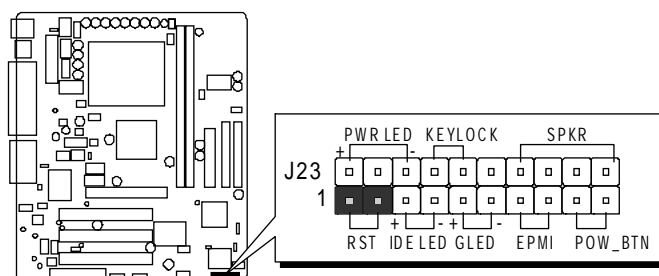
MIDI Instrument Connection

You will need a MIDI adapter to connect a MIDI compatible instrument to the sound card. The MIDI adapter can in turn be connected to the Joystick/MIDI port. You will also need the MIDI sequencing software to run MIDI instruments with your computer etc.) into this connector.

Front-Panel Connectors

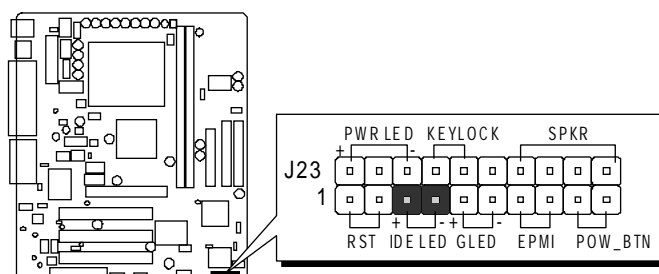
❶ Hardware Reset Connector (RST)

Attach the 2-pin hardware reset switch cable to the RST header. Pressing the reset switch causes the system to restart.



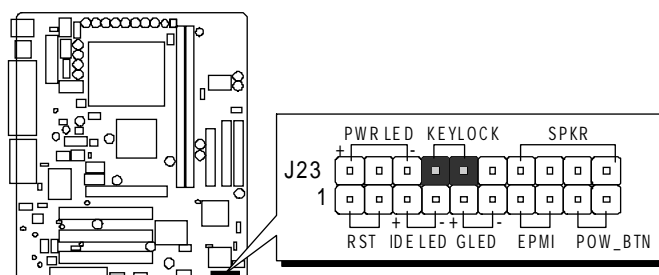
❷ HDD LED Connector (IDE LED)

Attach the connector cable from the IDE device LED to the 2-in HDD LED header. The HDD LED lights up whenever an IDE device is active.



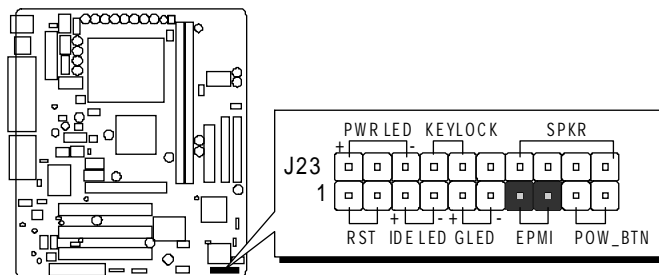
❸ Keylock Connector (KEYLOCK)

Attach the 2-pin KEYLOCK connector cable from the housing front panel to the KEYLOCK header on the mainboard.



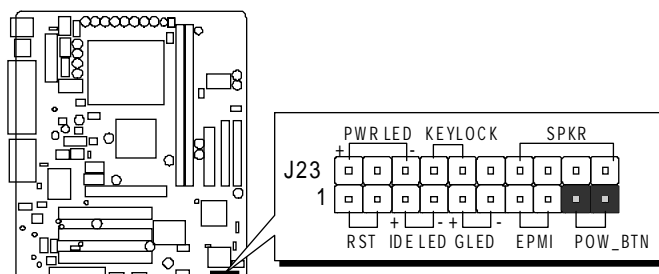
④ EPMI

Hardware System Management Interface (EPMI) header may attach to a 2-pin momentary switch. Press the EPMI switch to force the system into power saving mode; press again to resume normal operation.



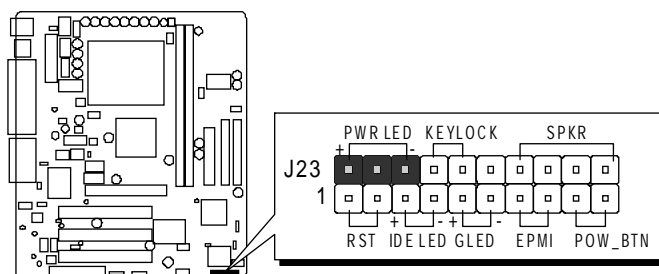
⑤ ATX Power On/Off Switch Connector (POW_BTN)

The Power On/Off Switch is a momentary type switch used for turning on or off the system's ATX power supply. Attach the connector cable from the Power Switch to the 2-pin POW_BTN header on the mainboard.



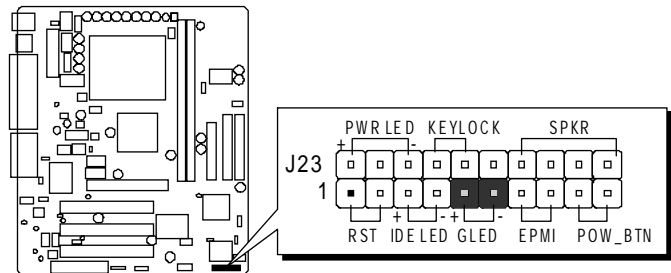
⑥ Power LED Connector(PWR_LED)

Attach the 3-pin Power-LED connector cable from the housing front panel to the PWR_LED header on the mainboard. The power LED stays light while the system is running.



⑦ Green LED Connector (GLED)

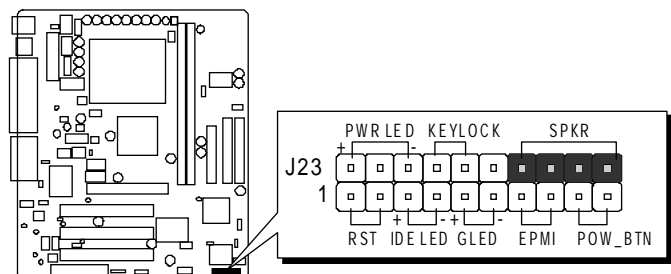
The Green LED (GLED) indicates that the system is currently in one of the power savings mode (Doze/Standby/Suspend). When the system resumes to normal operation mode, the Green LED will go off. Attach a 2-pin Green LED cable to GLED header.



Note : Please notice all the LED connector is directional. If your chassis's LED does not light during running, please simply change to the opposite direction.

⑧ Speaker Connector (SPKR)

Attach the PC speaker cable from the case to the 4-pin speaker connector (SPKR).



⑨ Extended Line-Out and Mic-In Header (J27)

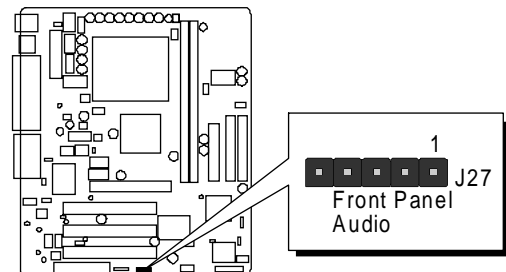
This header is used to connect the cable attached to Line-Out and Mic-In phone jacks which are mounted on front-panel. This header shares the same signal with Line-Out/Mic-In on back-panel.

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5	4	3	2	1
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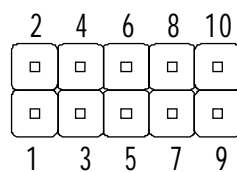
Pins Assignment:

1 = ELOUT	2 = EROUT
3 = AGND	4 = EMIC_VCC
5 = EMIC_IN	



C10 Extended two USB Connector Header (J6)

The headers are used to connect the cable attached to USB connectors which are mounted on front-panel or back-panel. But the USB cable is optional at the time of purchase.



Pins Assignment:

1 = DATA3 +

3 = GND

5 = DATA3-

7 = GND

9 = GND

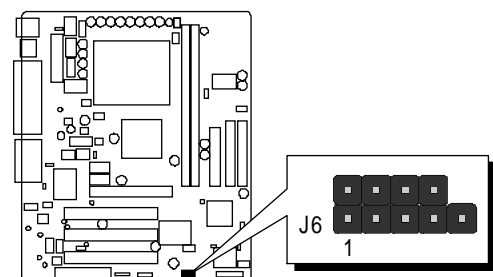
2 = +5V

4 = NC

6 = DATA2 +

8 = DATA2-

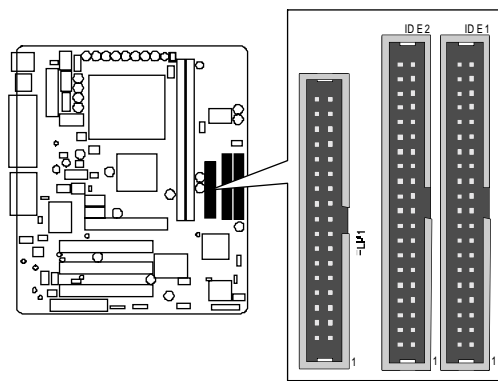
10 = KEY



Internal Peripherals Connectors

D1 Enhanced IDE Connector and Floppy Connector

The ME21 mainboard features two 40-pin dual-channel IDE device connectors (IDE1/IDE2) providing support for up to four IDE devices, such as CD-ROM and Hard Disk Drives (H.D.D.). This mainboard also includes one 34-pin floppy disk controller (FDC) to accommodate the Floppy Disk Drive (F.D.D.). Moreover, this mainboard comes with one 80pin ATA100/66/33 ribbon cable to connect to IDE H.D.D. and one 34-pin ribbon cable for F.D.D. connection.



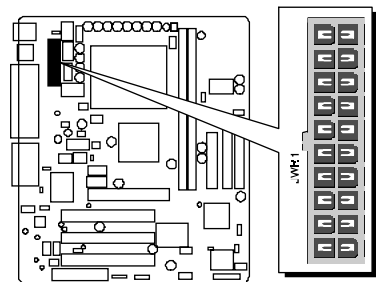
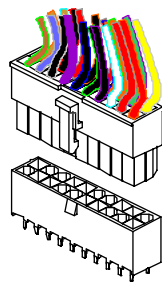
Note : Please connect your system H.D.D. to IDE 1.

Important : Ribbon cables are directional, therefore, make sure to always connect with the red cable

Other Connectors

ATX Power Supply Connector (JWR1)

Locate the 20-pin male header ATX power connector (JWR1) on your mainboard. Plug the power cable from the ATX power supply unit directly into JWR1 ATX power supply connector.



Note 1: The ATX power connector is directional and will not go in unless the guides match perfectly making sure that pin#1 is properly positioned.

Note 2: Make sure the latch of the ATX power connector clicks into place to ensure a solid attachment.

Note 3: Your ATX power supply must be supplied to ACPI +5V standby power and at least 720mA compatible.

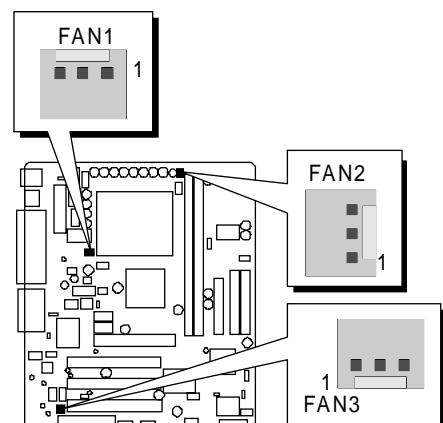
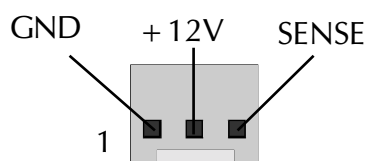
Note 4: Make sure your power supply have enough power for higher speed processor installed.

CPU, System, AGP Fan connectors - FAN1, FAN2, FAN3

The mainboard provides three onboard 12V cooling fan power connectors to support CPU (FAN1), System (FAN2), and AGP (FAN3) cooling fans.

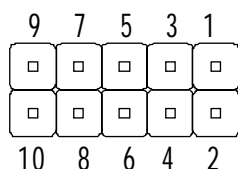
Note:

Both cable wiring and type of plug may vary depending on the fan maker. Keep in mind that the red wire should always be connected to the +12V header and the black wire to the ground (GND) header.



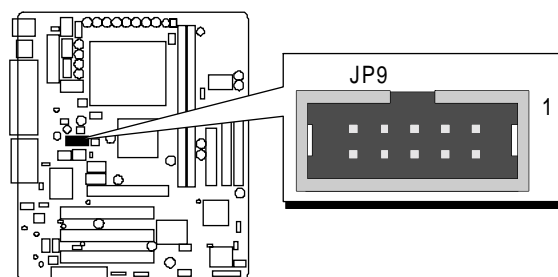
E3 COM2 Connector (JP9)

This mainboard comes with one 10-pin ribbon cable for COM2.



Pin Assignments:

1 = DCD2	2 = DSR2
3 = RX2	4 = RTS2
5 = TX2	6 = CTS2
7 = DTR2	8 = RI2
9 = GND	10 = KEY

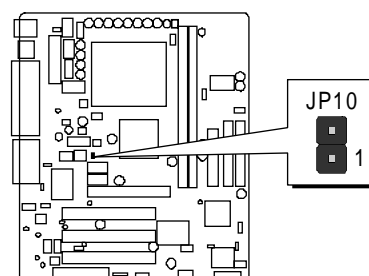
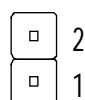


E4 Wake-on Modem Connector (JP10)

Attach a 2-pin connector from the Modem which supports the Wake-On Modem function. This function lets users ring in the connected system through the Modem.

Pin Assignments:

1 = GND
2 = Ring

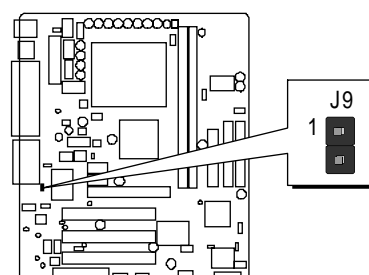


E5 Chassis Intrusion (J9)

Joint this 2-pin connector with chassis cover. This function activate detection any intrusion into the chassis.

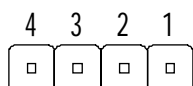
Pin Assignments:

1 = GND
2 = CASEOPEN#



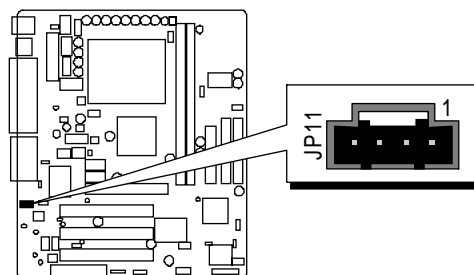
E6 Audio Telephone_IN Header (JP11)(Green)

Port JP11 can be used to connector a modem audio line to ME21 mainboard. Typically, you would use this connector when running the voice mail software on your system for audio input and output.



Pin Assignments:

- 1 = MONO_PHONE
- 2 = AGND
- 3 = AGND
- 4 = MONO_OUT

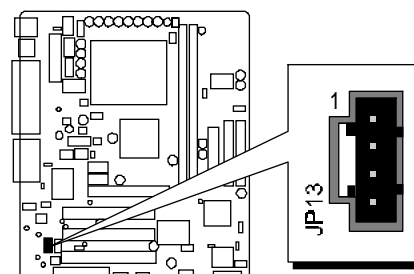
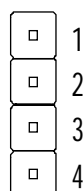


E7 Audio CD_IN Header (JP13)(Black)

Port JP13 is used to attach an audio connector cable from the CD-ROM drive.

Pin Assignments:

- 1 = CD-L
- 2 = CD-GND
- 3 = CD-GND
- 4 = CD-R

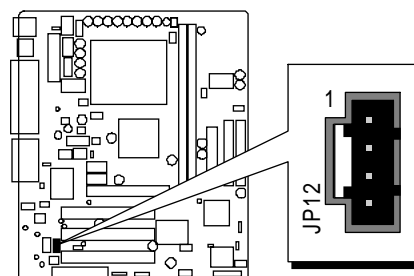
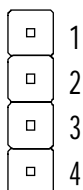


E8 Audio AUXILIARY_IN Header (JP12)(White)

Port JP12 can be used to connect a stereo audio input from such as CD-ROM, TV-tuner or MPEG card.

Pin Assignments:

- 1 = AUXL
- 2 = AGND
- 3 = AGND
- 4 = AUXR



E9 Wake on Lan (J13)

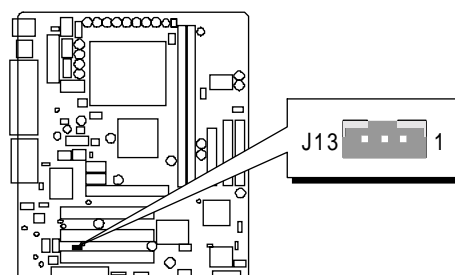
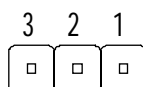
Attach a 3-pin connector from the LAN card which supports the Wake-On-LAN (WOL) function. This function lets users wake up the connected system through the LAN card.

Pin Assignments:

1 = VCC5SBY

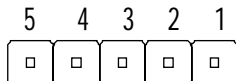
2 = GND

3 = GPIO12



E10 IR Connector(J17)

If you have an Infrared device, this mainboard can implement IR transfer function. To enable the IR transfer function, follow these steps:



IR Pin Assignments:

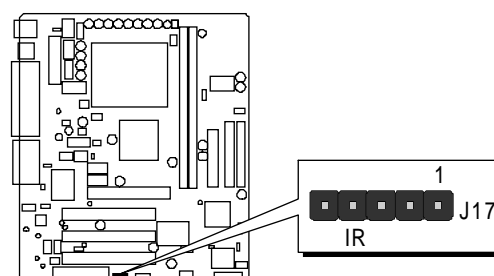
1 = VCC

2 = CIRRX

3 = IRRX

4 = GND

5 = IRTX



Note : Before connect your IR device, please be sure each IR on board pin allocation is matchable with the pin of the IR device. Otherwise, incorrect IR connection may do damage to your IR device.

Step 1. Attach the 5-pin infrared device cable to J17 connector.
(Refer to the above diagram for IR pin assignment.)

Step 2. Configure the Infrared transfer mode in field "UART Mode Select" of "Integrated Peripherals" sub-menu in BIOS setup program. This mainboard supports IrDA, ASKIR, or Normal transfer modes.

3.3 System Memory Configuration

The ME21 mainboard has two 168-pin DIMM sockets that allow you to install from 16MB up to 512MB of system memory with SDRAM (Synchronous DRAM). Each DIMM (Dual In-line Memory Module) socket can accommodate 16MB, 32MB, 64MB, 128MB, 256MB, 512MB, 3.3V single or double side SDRAM modules. DIMM sockets are arranged in two banks, each memory bank made of one socket and providing a 64-bit wide data path. (***The total installed memory dose not exceed 512MB.***)

Install Memory:

Install memory in any or all of the banks and in any combination, as follows.

DIMM Socket	Memory Modules	Module Quantity
DIMM 1	16MB, 32MB, 64MB, 128MB, 256MB, and 512MB 168-pin 3.3V SDRAM DIMM	x 1
DIMM 2	16MB, 32MB, 64MB, 128MB, 256MB, and 512MB 168-pin 3.3V SDRAM DIMM	x 1

Note: You do not need to set any jumper to configure memory since the BIOS utility can detect the system memory automatically. You can check the total system memory value in the Standard CMOS Setup menu of BIOS SETUP.

Upgrade Memory:

You can easily upgrade the system memory by inserting additional SDRAM modules in available DIMM banks. The total system memory is calculated by simply adding up the memory in all DIMM banks. After upgrade, the new system memory value will automatically be computed and displayed in the Standard CMOS Setup menu of BIOS SETUP.

4 SOFTWARE UTILITY

4.1 ME21 Mainboard CD Overview

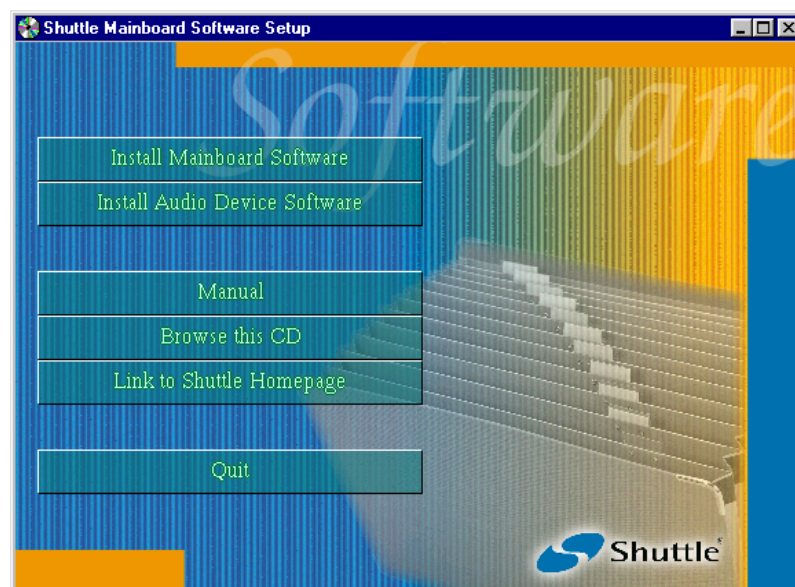
Note: The cd contents attached in ME21 mainboard are subject to change without notice.

To start your mainboard CD disc, insert it into your CD-ROM drive and the CD AutoRun screen should appear. If the AutoRun screen does not appear, double click or run D:\Autorun.exe (assuming that your CD-ROM drive is drive D:)

Navigation Bar Description:

- ☞ **Install Mainboard Software** - Installing Chipset and AGP drivers.
- ☞ **Install Audio Device Software** - Installing Audio driver and Synthesizer .
- ☞ **Manual** - ME21 series mainboard user's manual in PDF format.
- ☞ **Browse this CD** - Allows you to see the contents of this CD.
- ☞ **Link to Shuttle Homepage** - Link to shuttle website homepage.
- ☞ **Quit** - Close this CD.

⚙ IDE Driver must manual installation.



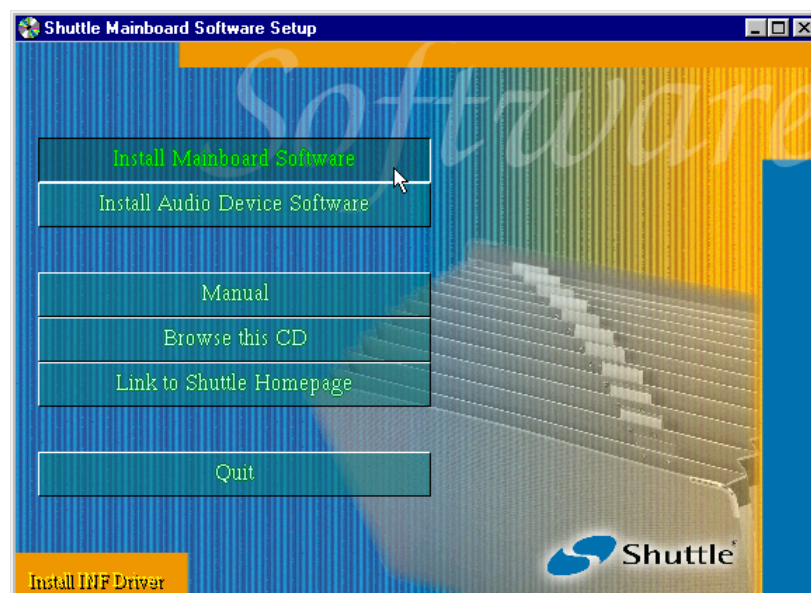
4.2 Install Mainboard Software

Insert the attached CD into your CD-ROM drive and the CD AutoRun screen should appear. If the AutoRun screen does not appear, double click on Autorun icon in **My Computer** to bring up **Shuttle Mainboard Software Setup** screen.

Select using your pointing device (e.g. mouse) on the “**Install Mainboard Software**” bar to enter the sub-menu.

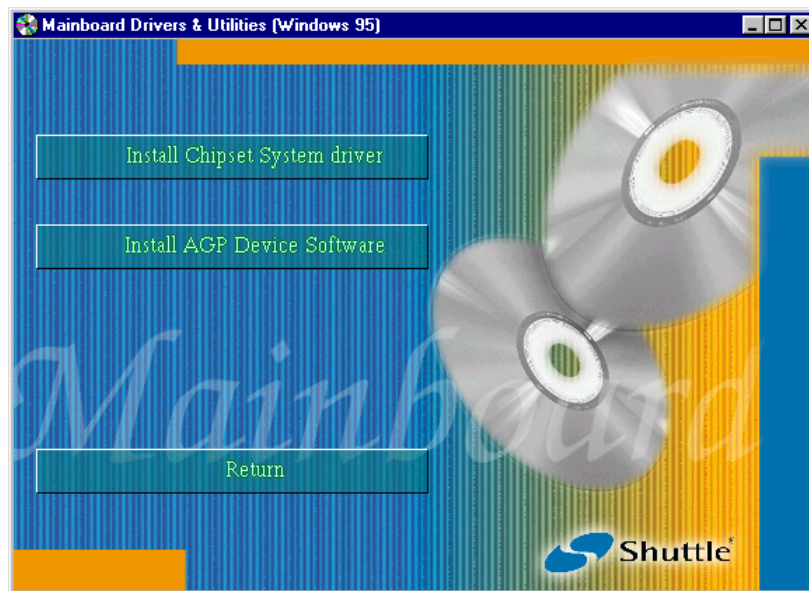
The **Mainboard Software** include:

- ☞ Install Chipset System Driver
- ☞ Install AGP Device Software



Install Chipset System & AGP Device Driver

Select using your pointing device (e.g. mouse) on the “**Install Chipset System Driver**” bar to install chipset system driver and click on the “**Install AGP Device Software**” bar to install AGP device driver.



Once you made your selection, a Setup window runs the installation automatically.

When the copying files is done, make sure you **reboot** the system to take the installation effect.

Note: When the system reboots after the chipset system driver installing is completed, it will continue the setup procedure and then reboot automatically.



Note: *When the Windows 95/98 reboot for the first time after Intel Chipset System drivers installed, some new hardware devices will be found and added. For those new hardware devices, related software drivers will be searched for installing. The user may find the software drivers retain on the directory C:\windows\system if some of software drivers could not be found during searching.*

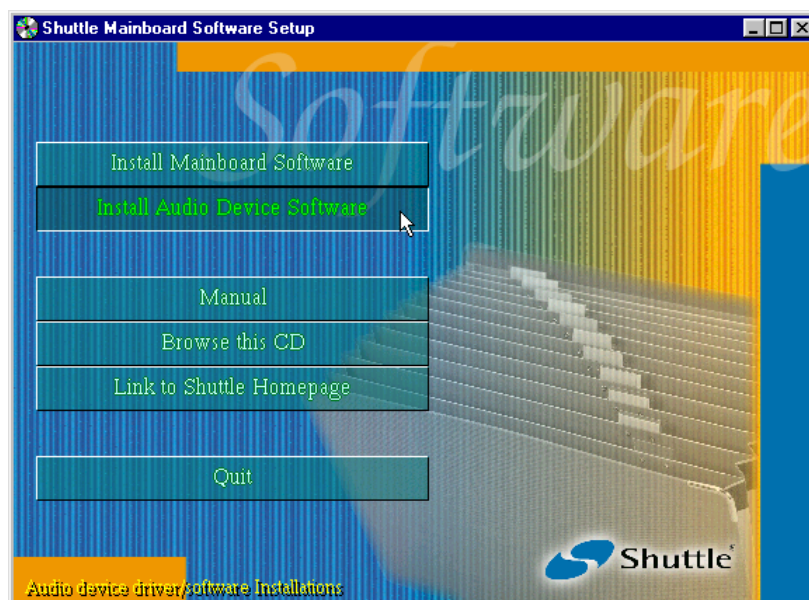
4.3 Install Audio Device Software

Insert the attached CD into your CD-ROM drive and the CD AutoRun screen should appear. If the AutoRun screen does not appear, double click on Autorun icon in **My Computer** to bring up **Shuttle Mainboard Software Setup** screen.

Select using your pointing device (e.g. mouse) on the “**Install Audio Device Software**” bar to enter the sub-menu.

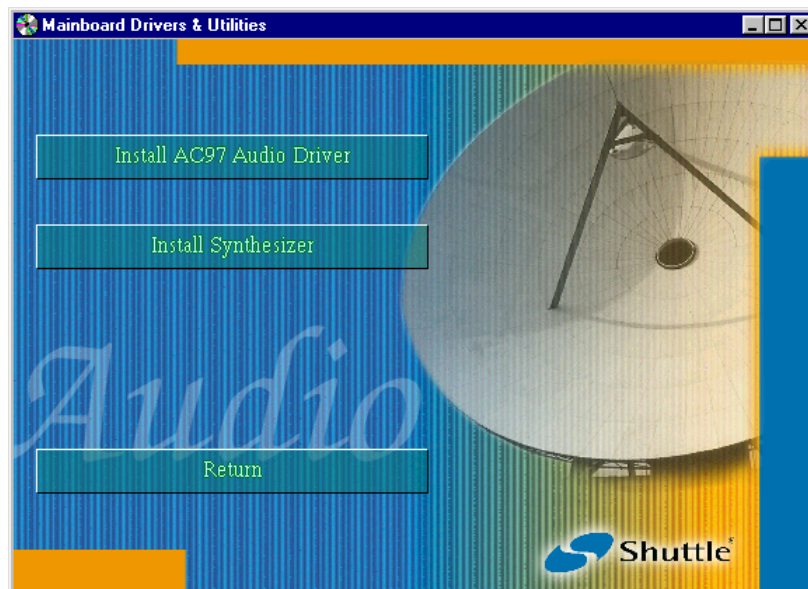
The **Audio Device Software** include:

-  Install AC97 Audio Driver
-  Install Synthesizer



Install AC97 Audio driver & Synthesizer

Select using your pointing device (e.g. mouse) on the “**Install AC97 Audio Driver**” bar to install AC97 Audio driver and click on the “**Install Synthesizer**” bar to install Synthesizer.



Once you made your selection, a Setup window runs the installation automatically.

When the copying files is done, make sure you **reboot** the system to take the installation effect.

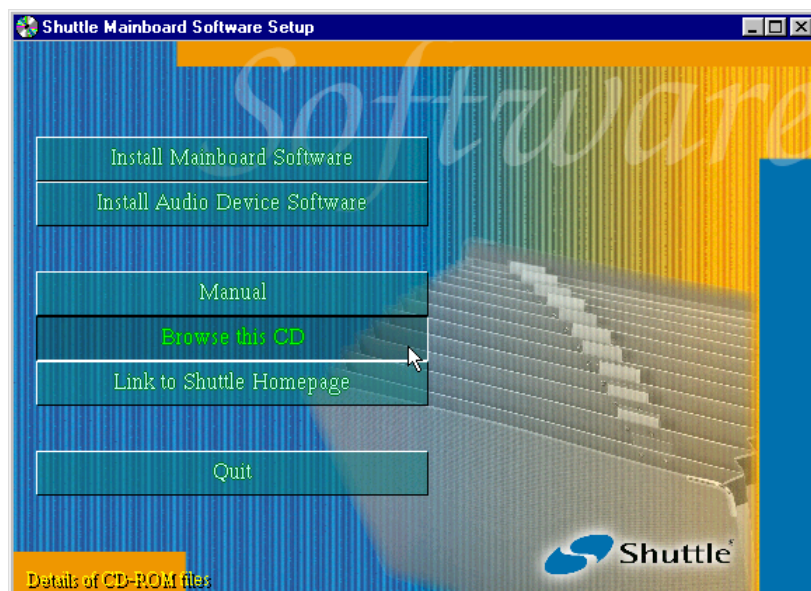
4.4 Install IDE Driver

This driver may do bad effect on some model or brand of IDE HDD devices. Hereby, we won't suggest users to install it cause it might crash your HDD data. However, if you are very sure that the driver matches your IDE HDD, please follow below indication to complete setup.

Insert the attached CD into your CD-ROM drive and the CD AutoRun screen should appear. If the AutoRun screen does not appear, double click on Autorun icon in **My Computer** to bring up **Shuttle Mainboard Software Setup** screen.

Select using your pointing device (e.g. mouse) on the "**Browse this CD**" bar. And then find out the location: Mainboard/ata/ata100 to install the driver.

P.S.: Before doing this IDE Driver installation, setup Chipset System Driver is necessary.



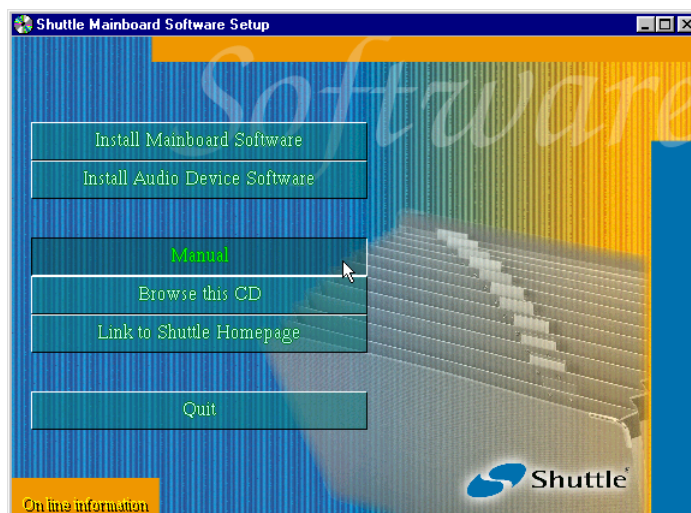
Once you made your selection, a Setup window runs the installation automatically.

When the copying files is done, make sure you **reboot** the system to take the installation effect.

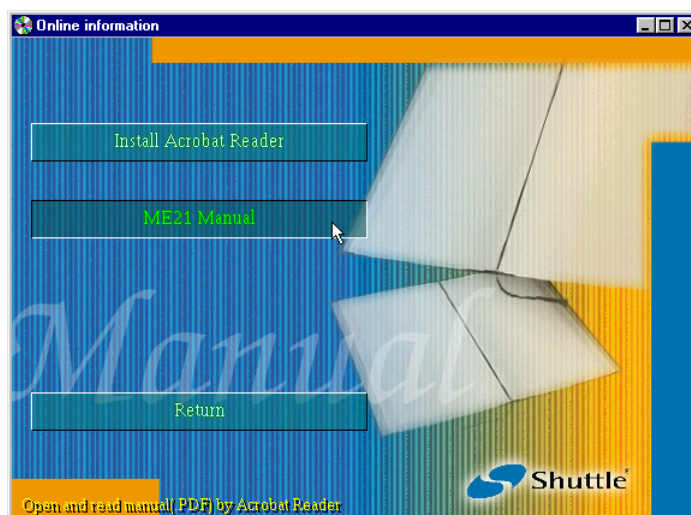
4.5 View the User's Manual

Insert the attached CD into your CD-ROM drive and the CD AutoRun screen should appear. If the AutoRun screen does not appear, double click on AutoRun icon in **My Computer** to bring up **Shuttle Mainboard Software Setup** screen.

Select using your pointing device (e.g. mouse) on the “**Manual**” bar.



Then **Online Information** windows will appear on your screen. Click on the “**Install Acrobat Reader**” bar if you need to install acrobe reader.



Then click on “**ME21 Manual**” bar to view user's manual.

5 BIOS SETUP

ME21 BIOS ROM has a built-in Setup program that allows users to modify the basic system configuration. This information is stored in battery-backed RAM so that it retains the Setup information even if the system power is turned off.

The system BIOS is managing and executing a variety of hardware related functions in the system, including:

System date and time

Hardware execution sequence

Power management functions

Allocation of system resources

5.1 Enter the BIOS

To enter the BIOS (Basic Input / Output System) utility, follow these steps:

- Step 1.** Power on the computer, and the system will perform its POST (Power-On Self Test) routine checks.
- Step 2.** Press key immediately, or at the following message:
"Press DEL to enter SETUP"
,or simultaneously press <Ctrl>, <Alt>, <Esc> keys

Note 1. If you miss trains of words meationed in step2 (the message disappears before you can respond) and you still wish to enter BIOS Setup, restart the system and try again by turning the computer OFF and ON again or by pressing the <RESET> switch located at the computer's front-panel. You may also reboot by simultaneously pressing the <Ctrl>, <Alt>, keys simultaneously.

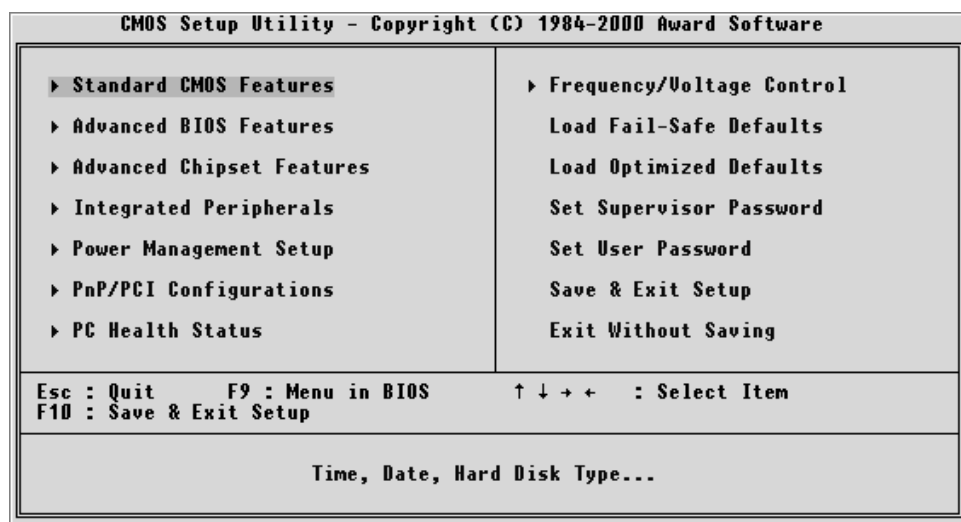
Note 2. If you do not press the keys in time and system does not boot, the screen will prompt an error message, and you will be given the following options:

"Press F1 to Continue, DEL to Enter Setup"

- Step 3.** As you enter the BIOS program, the CMOS Setup Utility will prompt you the Main Menu, as shown in the next section.

5.2 The Main Menu

Once you enter the AwardBIOS(tm) CMOS Setup Utility, the Main Menu will appear on the screen. The Main Menu allows you to select from several setup functions and two exit choices. Use the arrow keys to select among the items and press <Enter> to accept and enter the sub-menu.



Note that a brief description of each highlighted selection appears at the bottom of the screen.

Setup Items

The main menu includes the following main setup categories. Recall that some systems may not include all entries.

Standard CMOS Features

Use this menu for basic system configuration.

Advanced BIOS Features

Use this menu to set the Advanced Features available on your system.

Advanced Chipset Features

Use this menu to change the values in the chipset registers and optimize your system's performance.

Integrated Peripherals

Use this menu to specify your settings for integrated peripherals.

Power Management Setup

Use this menu to specify your settings for power management.

PnP / PCI Configuration

This entry appears if your system supports PnP / PCI.

PC Health Status

This entry shows the current system temperature, Voltage, and FAN speed.

Frequency/Voltage Control

Use this menu to specify your settings for frequency/voltage control.

Load Fail-Safe Defaults

Use this menu to load the BIOS default values for the minimal/stable performance of your system to operate.

Load Optimized Defaults

Use this menu to load the BIOS default values that are factory-set for optimal performance system operation. While Award has designed the custom BIOS to maximize performance, the factory has the right to change these defaults to meet users' needs.

Supervisor / User Password

Use this menu to change, set, or disable supervisor/user password. It allows you to limit access to the system and Setup, or only to Setup.

Save & Exit Setup

Save CMOS value changes in CMOS and exit from setup.

Exit Without Saving

Abandon all CMOS value changes and exit from setup.



Standard CMOS Features

The items in Standard CMOS Setup Menu are divided into 10 categories. Each category includes no, one or more than one setup items. Use the arrow keys to highlight the item and then use the <PgUp> or <PgDn> keys to select the value you want in each item.

CMOS Setup Utility - Copyright (C) 1984-2000 Award Software Standard CMOS Features		
Date (mm:dd:yy)	Tue, Jan 30 2001	Item Help Menu Level ▶ Change the day, month, year and century
Time (hh:mm:ss)	9 : 35 : 17	
▶ IDE Primary Master		
▶ IDE Primary Slave		
▶ IDE Secondary Master		
▶ IDE Secondary Slave		
Drive A	1.44M, 3.5 in.	
Drive B	None	
Video	EGA/UGA	
Halt On	All , But Keyboard	
Base Memory	640K	
Extended Memory	65472K	
Total Memory	1024K	
↑↓←→:Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults		

Date

<Month> <DD> <YYYY>

Set the system date. Note that the 'Day' automatically changes when you set the date.

Time

<HH : MM : SS>

The time is converted based on the 24-hour military-time clock. For example, 5 p.m. is 17:00:00.

IDE Primary Master

Options are in its sub-menu.

Press <Enter> to enter the sub-menu of detailed options.

IDE Primary Slave

Options are in its sub-menu.

Press <Enter> to enter the sub-menu of detailed options.

IDE Secondary Master

Options are in its sub-menu.

Press <Enter> to enter the sub-menu of detailed options.

IDE Secondary Slave

Options are in its sub menu.

Press <Enter> to enter the sub-menu of detailed options.

Drive A/Drive B

Select the type of floppy disk drive installed in your system.

- The choice: None, 360K, 5.25 in, 1.2M, 5.25 in, 720K, 3.5 in, 1.44M, 3.5 in, or 2.88M, 3.5 in.

Video

Select the default video device.

- The choice: EGA/VGA, CGA 40, CGA 80, or MONO.

Halt On

Select the situation in which you want the BIOS to stop the POST process and notify you.

- The choice: All Errors, No Errors, All, But Keyboard, All, But Diskette, or All, But Disk/Key.

Base Memory

Displays the amount of conventional memory detected during boot up.

- The choice: N/A.

Extended Memory

Displays the amount of extended memory detected during boot up.

- The choice: N/A.

Total Memory

Displays the total memory available in the system.

- The choice: N/A.

IDE Adapters

The IDE adapters control the hard disk drive. Use a separate sub-menu to configure each hard disk drive.

IDE HDD Auto-Detection

Press <Enter> to auto-detect HDD on this channel. If detection is successful, it fills the remaining fields on this menu.

- Press Enter

IDE Primary Master

Selecting 'manual' lets you set the remaining fields on this screen and select the type of fixed disk. "User Type" will let you select the number of cylinders, heads, etc., Note: PRECOMP = 65535 means NONE !

- The choice: None, Auto, or Manual.

Access Mode

Choose the access mode for this hard disk.

- The choice: CHS, LBA, Large, or Auto.

Capacity

Disk drive capacity (Approximated). Note that this size is usually slightly greater than the size of a formatted disk given by a disk checking program.

- Auto-Display your disk drive size.

The following options are selectable only if the 'IDE Primary Master' item is set to 'Manual'

Cylinder

Set the number of cylinders for this hard disk.

- Min = 0, Max = 65535

Head

Set the number of read/write heads.

- Min = 0, Max = 255

Precomp

Warning: Setting a value of 65535 means no hard disk.

➤ Min = 0, Max = 65535

Landing zone

Set the Landing zone size.

➤ Min = 0, Max = 65535

Sector

Number of sector per track.

➤ Min = 0, Max = 255



Advanced BIOS Features

This section allows you to configure your system for basic operation. You have the opportunity to select the system's default speed, boot-up sequence, keyboard operation, shadowing, and security.

CMOS Setup Utility - Copyright (C) 1984-2000 Award Software Advanced BIOS Features		
Virus Warning	Disabled	Item Help Menu Level ▶ Allows you to choose the VIRUS warning feature for IDE Hard Disk boot sector protection. If this function is enabled and someone attempt to write data into this area , BIOS will show a warning message on screen and alarm beep
CPU Internal Cache	Enabled	
External Cache	Enabled	
CPU L2 Cache ECC Checking	Enabled	
Processor Number Feature	Enabled	
Quick Power On Self Test	Enabled	
First Boot Device	Floppy	
Second Boot Device	HDD-0	
Third Boot Device	LS120	
Boot Other Device	Enabled	
Swap Floppy Drive	Disabled	
Boot Up Floppy Seek	Enabled	
Boot Up NumLock Status	On	
Gate A20 Option	Fast	
Typematic Rate Setting	Enabled	
Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec)	6	
Typematic Delay (Msec)	250	
Security Option	Setup	
OS Select For DRAM > 64MB	Non-OS2	
Report No FDD For WIN 95	No	
↑↓→←:Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults		

Virus Warning

Allows you to choose the VIRUS Warning feature for IDE Hard Disk boot sector protection. If this function is enables and someone attempts to write data into this area, BIOS will show a warning message on screen, and an alarm beep.

Enabled Activates automatically when the system boots up, causing a warning message to appear when anything attempts to access the boot sector or hard disk partition table.

Disabled No warning message will appear when anything attempts to access the boot sector or hard disk partition table.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

CPU Internal Cache

This item enables CPU internal cache to speed up memory access.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

External Cache

This item enables CPU secondary cache to speed up memory access.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

CPU L2 Cache ECC Checking

When you select Enabled, memory checking is enabled when the CPU internet L2 cache contains ECC SRAMs.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Processor Number Feature

Allows you to make Pentium III Processor Serial Number enabled/disabled.

- The choice: Enabled, or Disabled.

Quick Power On Self Test

This item speeds up Power-On Self Test (POST) after you power on the computer. If it is set to enabled, BIOS will shorten or skip some check items during POST.

- The choice: Enabled, or Disabled.

First/Second/Third Boot Device

The BIOS attempts to load the operating system from the devices in the sequence selected in these items.

- The Choice: Floppy, LS120, HDD-0, SCSI, CDROM, HDD-1, HDD-2, HDD-3, ZIP100, USB-FDD, USB-ZIP, USB-CDROM, USB-HDD, LAN, or Disabled.

Boot Other Device

Select Your Boot Device Priority.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Swap Floppy Drive

If the system has two floppy drives, you can swap the logical drive name assignment.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Boot Up Floppy Seek

Seeks disk drives during boot-up. Disabling speed boots up.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Boot Up NumLock Status

Selects power-on state for NumLock.

- The choice: Off or On.

Gate A20 Option

This entry allows you to select how the gate A20 is handled. The gate A20 is a device used for above 1MByte of address memory. Initially, the gate A20 was handled via a pin on the keyboard. Today, while a keyboard still provides this support, it is more common and much faster in setting to Fast for the system chipset to provide support for gate A20.

- The choice: Normal, or Fast.

Typematic Rate Setting

Keystrokes repeat at a rate determined by the keyboard controller. When this controller enabled, the typematic rate and typematic delay can be selected.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec)

This item sets how many times the keystroke will be repeated in a second when you hold the key down.

- The choice: 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 20, 24, or 30.

Typematic Delay (Msec)

Sets the delay time after the key is held down before it begins to repeat the keystroke.

- The choice: 250, 500, 750, or 1000.

Security Option

Select whether the password is required every time the system boots or only when you enter setup.

System The system will not boot and access to Setup will be denied if the correct password is not entered promptly.

Setup The system will boot, but access to Setup will be denied if the correct password is not entered promptly.

- The choice: System or Setup.

Note: To disabled security, select PASSWORD SETTING at Main Menu, and then you will be asked to enter password. Do not type anything and just press <Enter> ; it will disable security. Once the security is disabled, the system will boot, and you can enter Setup freely.

OS Select For DRAM > 64MB

Selects the operating system that is running with greater than 64MB of RAM in the system.

- The choice: Non-OS2 or OS2.

Report No FDD For Win 95

Whether report no FDD runs for Win 95 or not.

- The choice: Yes or No.



Advanced Chipset Features

This section allows you to configure the system based on the specific features of the installed chipset. This chipset manages bus speeds and access to system memory resources, such as DRAM and the external cache. It also coordinates communications between the conventional ISA bus and the PCI bus. It states that these items should never need to be altered.

The default settings have been chosen because they provide the best operating conditions for your system. If you discovered that data was being lost while using your system, you might consider making any changes.

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Advanced Chipset Features	
SDRAM CAS Latency Time	3
SDRAM Cycle Time Tras/Trc	7/9
SDRAM RAS-to-CAS Delay	3
SDRAM RAS Precharge Time	3
System BIOS Cacheable	Disabled
Video BIOS Cacheable	Disabled
Memory Hole At 15M-16M	Disabled
CPU Latency Timer	Enabled
Delayed Transaction	Enabled
AGP Graphics Aperture Size	64MB
Display Cache Frequency	100 MHz
System Memory Frequency	Auto
On-Chip Video Window Size	64MB
* Onboard Display Cache Setting *	
CAS# Latency	3
Paging Mode Control	Open
RAS-to-CAS Override	by CAS# LT
RAS# Timing	Fast
RAS# Precharge Timing	Fast
Item Help	
Menu Level ▶	

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F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults

SDRAM CAS Latency Time

When synchronous DRAM is installed, the number of clock cycles of CAS latency depends on the DRAM timing.

- The Choice: 2 or 3

SDRAM Cycle Time Tras/Trc

Selects the number of SCLKs for an access cycle.

- The Choice: 5/7 or 7/9.

SDRAM RAS-to-CAS Delay

This field lets you insert a timing delay between the CAS and RAS strobe signals, and you can use it when DRAM is written to, read from, or refreshed. Faster performance is gained in high speed, more stable performance, in low speed. This field is applied only when synchronous DRAM is installed in the system.

- The Choice: 2 or 3.

SDRAM RAS Precharge Time

If an insufficient number of cycles is allowed for the RAS to accumulate its charge before DRAM refresh, the refresh may be-incompleted, and the DRAM may fail to retain data. Fast gives faster performance; and Slow gives more stable performance. This field is applied only when synchronous DRAM is installed in the system.

➤ The Choice: 2 or 3.

System BIOS Cacheable

Selecting Enabled allows caching of the system BIOS ROM at F0000h-FFFFFh, resulting in better system performance. However, if any program is written to this memory area, a system error may result.

➤ The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Video BIOS Cacheable

Selecting Enabled allows caching of the video BIOS , resulting in better system performance. However, if any program is written to this memory area, a system error may result.

➤ The Choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Memory Hole At 15M-16M

You can reserve this area of system memory for ISA adapter ROM. When this area is reserved, it cannot be cached. The user information of peripherals that need to use this area of system memory usually discusses their memory requirements.

➤ The Choice: Enabled or Disabled.

CPU Latency Timer

This item Enable/Disable the deferrable CPU cycle being deferred when other device access memory.

➤ The Choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Delayed Transaction

The chipset has an embedded 32-bit posted write buffer to support delayed transactions cycles. Select Enabled to support compliance with PCI specification version 2.1.

➤ The Choice: Enabled or Disabled.

AGP Graphics Aperture Size

Select the size of Accelerated Graphics Port (AGP) aperture. The aperture is a portion of the PCI memory address range dedicated to graphics

memory address space. Host cycles that hit the aperture range are forwarded to the AGP without any translation.

- The Choice: 32M, or 64M.

Display Cashe Frequency

This item controls display cache memory frequency selection.

- The Choice: 100MHz or 133MHz.

System memory Frequency

This item controls system memory frequency selection. When setting to be 0, it is 100MHz. When setting to be 1, it is 133MHz. and AUTO setting means to be based on the DIMM SPD data.

- The Choice: 100MHz, 133MHz, or Auto.

On-Chip Video Window Size

Select the on-chip video window size for VGA drive.

- The Choice: 64MB or Disabled.

***** Onboard Display Cache Setting *****

Set the onboard display cache timing.

CAS # Latency

Select the local memory clock periods.

- The Choice: 2 or 3

Paging Mode Control

Select the paging mode control.

- The Choice: Close or Open.

RAS-to-CAS Override

Select the display cache clock periods control.

- The Choice: by CAS# LT or Override(2).

RAS# Timing

This item controls RAS# active to Protegra and refresh to RAS# active delay (in local memory clocks).

- The Choice: Fast or Slow.

RAS# Precharge Timing

This item controls RAS# precharge (in local memory clocks).

- The choice: Fast or Slow.



Integrated Peripherals

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Integrated Peripherals	
On-Chip Primary PCI IDE	Enabled
On-Chip Secondary PCI IDE	Enabled
IDE Primary Master PIO	Auto
IDE Primary Slave PIO	Auto
IDE Secondary Master PIO	Auto
IDE Secondary Slave PIO	Auto
IDE Primary Master UDMA	Auto
IDE Primary Slave UDMA	Auto
IDE Secondary Master UDMA	Auto
IDE Secondary Slave UDMA	Auto
USB Controller	Enabled
USB Keyboard Support	Disabled
USB Mouse Support	Disabled
Init Display First	PCI Slot
AC97 Audio	Auto
AC97 Modem	Auto
IDE HDD Block Mode	Enabled
POWER ON Function	BUTTON ONLY
KB Power ON Password	Enter
Hot Key Power ON	Ctrl-F1
Onboard FDC Controller	Enabled
Onboard Serial Port 1	3F8/IRQ4
Onboard Serial Port 2	2F8/IRQ3
UART Mode Select	Normal
RxD , TxD Active	Hi,Lo
IR Transmission Delay	Enabled
UR2 Duplex Mode	Half
Use IR Pins	IR-Rx2Tx2
Onboard Parallel Port	378/IRQ7
Parallel Port Mode	SPP
EPP Mode Select	EPP1.7
ECP Mode Use DMA	3
Game Port Address	201
Midi Port Address	330
Midi Port IRQ	10

Item Help
Menu Level ▶

↑↓→←:Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help
F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults

On-Chip Primary/Secondary PCI IDE

The integrated peripherals controller contains an IDE interface with support to two IDE channels. Select Enabled to activate each channel separately.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

IDE Primary/Secondary Master/Slave PIO

The four IDE PIO (Programmed Input/Output) fields let you set a PIO mode (0-4) for each of the four IDE devices that the onboard IDE interface supports. Modes 0 through 4 provide successively increased performance. In Auto mode, the system automatically determines the best mode for each device.

- The choice: Auto, Mode 0, Mode 1, Mode 2, Mode 3, or Mode 4.

IDE Primary/Secondary Master/Slave UDMA

Ultra DMA33/66/100 implementation is possible only if your IDE hard drive supports it and the operating environment includes a DMA driver (Windows 95 OSR2 or a third-party IDE bus master driver). If both of your hard drive and your system software support Ultra DMA33/66/100, select Auto to enable BIOS support.

- The Choice: Auto or Disabled.

USB Controller

Select Enabled if your system contains a Universal Serial Bus (USB) controller and you have USB peripherals.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

USB Keyboard Support

Select Enabled if your system contains a Universal Serial Bus (USB) controller and you have a USB keyboard.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

USB Mouse Support

Select Enabled if your system contains a Universal Serial Bus (USB) controller and you have a USB Mouse.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Init Display First

This item allows you to decide to activate whether PCI Slot or onboard / AGP first.

- The choice: PCI Slot or Onboard/AGP .

AC97 Audio

This item allows you to decide to enable/disable the 810 chipset family to support AC97 Audio.

- The choice: Auto or Disabled.

AC97 Modem

This item allows you to decide to enable/disable the 810 chipset family to support AC97 Modem.

- The choice: Auto or Disabled.

IDE HDD Block Mode

Block mode is also called block transfer, multiple commands, or multiple sector read/write. If your IDE hard drive supports block mode (most new drives do), select Enabled for automatic detection of the optimal number of block read/writes per sector the drive can support.

- The choice: Enabled, or Disabled

POWER ON Function

This item is used to define Keyboard & PS/2 mouse power-on function enabled or disabled.

- The choice: Password, Hot-KEY, Mouse Left, Mouse Right, Any KEY, Button Only, Keyboard 98.

Note: 1. When item of PS/2 Mouse or HOT-Key is selected, please also adjust jumper J24 to the proper position.

2. USB Keyboard, USB Mouse and Serial Mouse are not supported to this function.

KB Power ON Password

This item sets the keyboard power-on password.

- When using keyboard to power on, just **Enter** the password.

Hot Key Power ON

Power-on by soft-on/off button and keyboard are available.

- The choice: <Ctrl> <F1> to <Ctrl> <F12>.

Onboard FDC Controller

This item specifies onboard floppy disk drive controller. This setting allows you to connect your floppy disk drives to the onboard floppy connector. Choose the "Disabled" settings if you have a separate control card.

- The choice: Enabled Disabled.

Onboard Serial Port1/Port2

Select an address and corresponding interrupt for the first and second serial ports.

- The choice: 3E8/IRQ4, 2E8/IRQ3, 3F8/IRQ4, 2F8/IRQ3, Auto, or Disabled.

UART Mode Select

The main board supports IrDA infrared through COM 2 port.

Note: FIR is not available currently.

- The choice: IrDA, ASKIR, or Normal.

RxD, TxD Active

This item specifies the Active level for RxD & TxD signal.

- The choice: Hi,Lo, Lo,Hi, Lo,Lo, or Hi, Hi.

IR Transmission delay

This item enable/disable the delay of the IR state change from Rx to Tx mode or Tx to Rx mode.

- The choice: Enabled, Disabled.

UR2 Duplex Mode

This item specifies onboard infrared transfer mode to full-duplex. This item will not show up when IrDA, ASKIR modes are selected.

- The choice: Full, Half.

Use IR Pins

This item select the InfraRed module pin out.

- The choice: IR-Rx2Rx2 or RxD2, TxD2.

Onboard Parallel Port

This item allows you to determine onboard parallel port controller I/O address setting.

- The choice:: 378/IRQ7, 278/IRQ5, 3BC/IRQ7, or Disabled.

Parallel Port Mode

Select an operating mode for the onboard parallel (printer) port. Select Normal, Compatible, or SPP unless you are certain your hardware and software both support one of the other available modes.

- The choice: SPP, EPP, ECP, or ECP + EPP.

EPP Mode Select

Select a DMA channel for the parallel port for use during ECP mode.

- The choice: EPP1.7 or EPP1.9.

ECP Mode Use DMA

Select a DMA channel for the parallel port for use during ECP mode.

- The choice: 1 or 3.

Game Port Address

This item select the Game Port Address.

- The choice: Disabled, 201 or 209.

Midi Port Address

This item select the Midi Port Address.

- The choice: Disabled, 330, 300, or 290.

Midi Port IRQ

This item select the Midi Port IRQ.

- The choice: 5 or 10.



Power Management Setup

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Power Management Setup		
ACPI Function	Enabled	Item Help
ACPI Suspend Type	S1(POS)	
Power Management	User Define	Menu Level ▶
Video Off Method	DPMS	
Video Off In Suspend	Yes	
Suspend Type	Stop Grant	
MODEM Use IRQ	3	
Suspend Mode	Disabled	
HDD Power Down	Disabled	
Soft-Off by PWR-BTTN	Instant-Off	
Wake-Up by PCI card	Disabled	
Power On by Ring	Enabled	
Wake Up On LAN	Enabled	
USB KB Wake-Up From S3	Disabled	
CPU Thermal-Throttling	50.0%	
Resume by Alarm	Enabled	
Date(of Month) Alarm	0	
Time(hh:mm:ss) Alarm	0 0 0	
** Reload Global Timer Events **		
Primary IDE 0	Disabled	
Primary IDE 1	Disabled	
Secondary IDE 0	Disabled	
Secondary IDE 1	Disabled	
FDD,COM,LPT Port	Disabled	
PCI PIRQ[A-D]#	Disabled	

↑↓←→:Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help
F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults

The Power Management Setup allows you to configure your system to most effectively saving energy while operating in a manner consistent with your own style of computer use.

ACPI Function

This item allows you to enable/disable the Advanced Configuration and Power Management (ACPI)

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

ACPI Suspend Type

This item allows you to select sleep state when suspend.

- The choice: S1(POS) or S3(STR).

Power Management

This category allows you to select the type (or degree) of power saving and is directly related to the following modes:

1. Suspend Mode
2. HDD Power Down

Min Saving

Minimum power management.

Suspend Mode = Allows you to set each mode individually.

HDD Power Down = 15 Min.

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| Max Saving | Maximum power management.
Suspend Mode = Allows you to set each mode individually.
HDD Power Down = 1Min. |
| User Defined | Allows you to set each mode individually.
When this item not disabled, each of the ranges are from 1 min. to 1 hr. except for HDD Power Down which ranges from 1 min. to 15 min. and disable. |
- The choice: User Define, Min Saving, or Max Saving.

Video Off Method

This determines the manner in which the monitor is blanked.

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| V/H SYNC + Blank | This selection will cause the system to turn off the vertical and horizontal synchronization ports and write blanks to the video buffer. |
| Blank Screen | This option only writes blanks to the video buffer. |
| DPMS | Initial display power management signaling. |

- The choice: V/H SYNC + Blank, Blank Screen, or DPMS.

Video Off In Suspend

This item determines the manner in which the monitor is blanked.

- The choice: Yes or No.

Suspend Type

This item allows you to select the Suspend Type.

- The choice: PwrOn Suspend, Stop Grant.

MODEM Use IRQ

This item determines the IRQ in which the MODEM can use.

- The choice: 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, or NA.

Suspend Mode

When this item enabled and after the set up time of system inactivity, all devices except the CPU will be shut off.

- The choice: Disabled, 1 Min, 2 Min, 4 Min, 8 Min, 12 Min, 20 Min, 30 Min, 40 Min, or 1 Hour.

HDD Power Down

When this item enabled and after the set up time of system inactivity, the hard disk drive will be powered down while all other devices remain active.

- The choice: Disabled or 1 Min ~ 15 Min.

Soft-Off by PWR-BTTN

Pressing the power button for more than 4 seconds forces the system to enter the Soft-Off state when the system has "hung".

- The choice: Instant-Off or Delay 4 Sec.

Wake-Up by PCI card

This item Enabled/Disabled PCI card wakeup for PCI Spec 2.2.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Power On by Ring

This item determine the system will resume by activating of modem ring.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Wake Up On LAN

This item determines the system will resume by activity of LAN. If enabled this feature enabled, system will power on itself from power-off mode when the activity of LAN.

- The choice: Disabled or Enabled.

USB KB Wake-Up From S3

This item Enables/Disables the USB KB Resume from STR (Suspend to RAM) Function.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

CPU Thermal-Throttling

This item Select the CPU Thermal-Throttling rate.

- The choice: 12.5%, 25.0%, 37.5%, 50.0%, 62.5%, 75.0%, 87.5%.

Resume by Alarm

When this item enabled, you can set the date and time at which the RTC (real-time clock) alarm awakens the system from Suspend mode.

- The choice: Disabled or Enabled.

Data (of Month) Alarm

This item selects the alarm date.

- Key in a DEC number:Min=0, Max=31.

Resume Time (hh:mm:ss) Alarm

This item selects the alarm Time.

[hh]

➤ Key in a DEC number:Min = 0, Max = 23.

[mm/ss]

➤ Key in a DEC number:Min = 0, Max = 59.

***** Reload Global Timer Events *****

If any of these items is set to Disabled, system will not monitor the activity event and reload global timer.

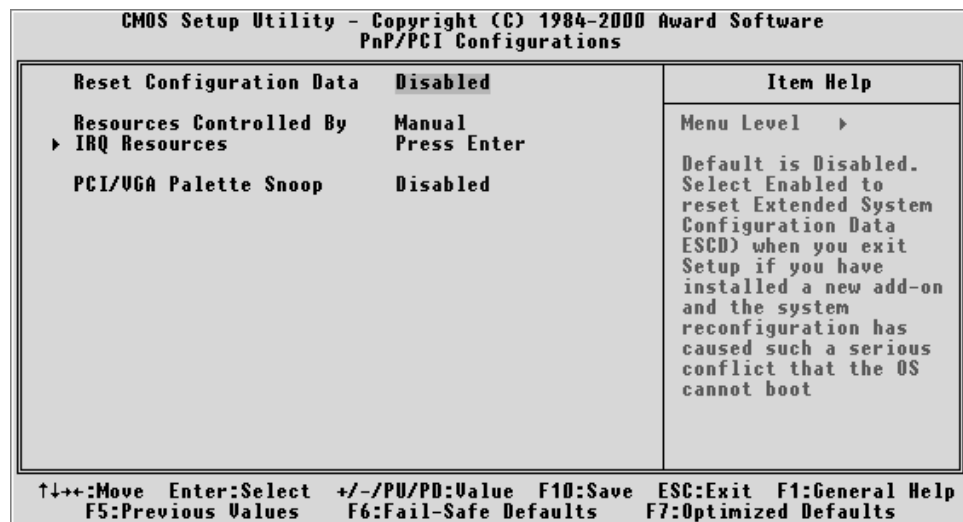
If these items is set to Enabled, system will monitor the system activity event; if any of the events it monitored, it will cause system to reload global timer.

These items include Primary IDE0/1, Secondary IDE 0/1, Floppy Disk, Serial Port, Parallel Port, and PCI PIRQ[A-D]#.

➤ The choice: Disabled or Enabled.



PnP/PCI Configurations



This section describes the configuration of PCI bus system. PCI or Personal Computer Interconnection is a system which allows I/O devices to operate at the speed CPU itself keeps when CPU communicating with its own special components.

This section covers some very technical items, and it is strongly recommended that only experienced users should make any changes to the default settings.

Reset Configuration Data

Normally, you leave this field Disabled. Select Enabled to reset Extended System Configuration Data (ESCD) when you exit from Setup if you have installed a new device or software and the system reconfiguration has caused such a serious conflict that the operating system can not boot.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled .

Resource controlled By

The Award Plug-and-Play BIOS has the capacity to automatically configure all of the boot and Plug-and-Play compatible devices. However, this capability means absolutely nothing unless you are using a Plug-and-Play operating system such as Windows 95.

If you set this field to "manual" , choose specific resources by going into each of the sub-menu that follows this field (a sub-menu is proceeded by a ">").

- The choice: Auto(ESCD) or Manual.

IRQ Resources

When resources are controlled manually, assign each system interrupt a type, depending on the type of device using the interrupt.

IRQ3/4/5/7/9/10/11/12/14/15 assigned

This item allows you to determine the IRQ assigned to the ISA bus and is not available to any PCI slot. Legacy ISA for devices is compliant with the original PC AT bus specification; PCI/ISA PnP for devices is compliant with the Plug-and-Play standard whether designed for PCI or ISA bus architecture.

- The choice: PCI Device or Reserved.

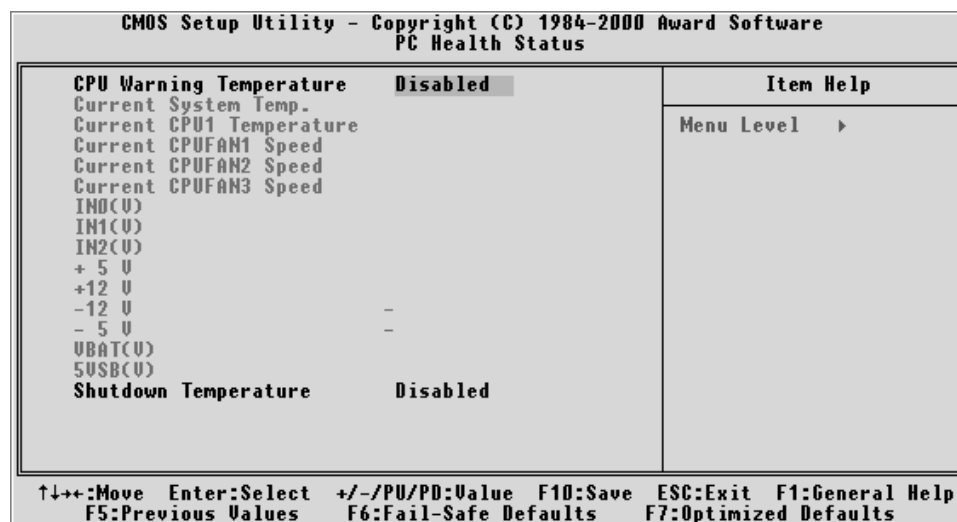
PCI/VGA Palette Snoop

Leave this field Disabled.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.



PC Health Status



CPU Warning Temperature

Since the mainboard support CPU temperature monitoring and over-heat alert. This item allows the user to set the threshold of CPU warning temperature. When CPU temperature over the threshold, system will slow down clock to prevent CPU damage.

- The choice: Disabled, 50°C/122°F, 53°C/127°F, 56°C/133°F, 60°C/140°F, 63°C/145°F, 66°C/151°F, 70°C/158°F.

Current System Temperature

Since the mainboard support System and CPU temperature monitoring and overheat alert. This item indicates the current main board temperature.

Current CPU1 Temperature

Since the mainboard support System and CPU temperature monitoring and overheat alert. This item indicates the current Processor temperature.

Current CPUFAN1/2/3 Speed

The mainboard can detect three fans rotation speed for CPU cooler, and system .

IN0(V) ~ IN2(V), +5V ~ -5V, +12V ~ -12V

The mainboard support CPU and mainboard voltages monitoring. The onboard hardware monitor is able to detect the voltages output of the voltage regulators and power supply.

VBAT (V)

Monitor the output voltage of the a backup battery.

5VSB (V)

5V standby voltage by ATX power.

Shutdown Temperature

Select the combination of lower and upper limits for the system shutdown temperature, if your computer contains an environmental monitoring system. If the temperature extends beyond either limit, the system shuts down.

- The choice: Disabled, 60°C/140°F, 65°C/149°F, 70°C/158°F, 75°C/167°F.



Frequency/Voltage Control

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Frequency/Voltage Control		
Auto Detect DIMM/PCI Clk	Enabled	Item Help
Spread Spectrum	Disabled	
CPU HOST/PCI Clock/PC133	Default	Menu Level ▶
CPU Clock Ratio	X 3	

↑↓←→:Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help
F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults

Auto Detect DIMM/PCI Clk

This item allows you to enable/disable auto detection DIMM/PCI Clock.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

Spread Spectrum

This item allows you to enable/disable the spread spectrum.

- The choice: Enabled or Disabled.

CPU Host/PCI Clock/PC133

- The choice: Default, 67/33MHz/No, 68/35MHz/No, 70/35MHz/No, 75/38MHz/No, 80/40MHz/No, 83/42MHz/No, 100/33MHz/No, 103/34MHz/No, 105/35MHz/No, 110/37MHz/No, 115/38MHz/No, 133/33MHz/Yes, 137/34MHz/Yes, 140/35MHz/Yes, 145/36MHz/Yes, 150/37MHz/Yes, 160/38MHz/Yes, 166/42MHz/Yes.

CPU Clock Ratio

This item allows you to select the CPU ratio.

- The choice: x3, x3.5, x4, x4.5, x5, x5.5, x6, x6.5, x7, x7.5, x8.



Load Fail-Safe Defaults

When you press <Enter> on this item, you will get a confirmation dialog box with a message similar to:

Load Fail-Safe Defaults (Y/N) ? N

Pressing 'Y' loads the BIOS default values for the most stable, minimal performance system operations.



Load Optimized Defaults

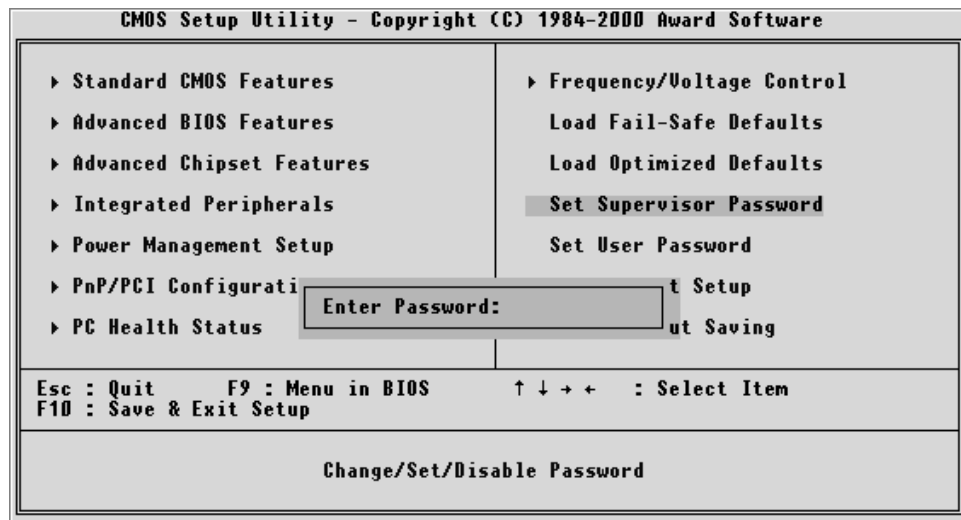
When you press <Enter> on this item, you will get a confirmation dialog box with a message similar to:

Load Optimized Defaults (Y/N) ? N

Pressing 'Y' loads the default values that are factory-set for optimal performance system operation.

Supervisor/User Password Setting

You can set either supervisor or user password, or both of them. The differences between them are:



Supervisor Password and User Password

The options on the Password screen menu make it possible to restrict access to the Setup program by enabling you to set passwords for two different access modes: Supervisor mode and User mode.

In general, Supervisor mode has full access to the Setup options, whereas User mode has restricted access to the options. By setting separate Supervisor and User password, a system supervisor can limit who can change critical Setup values.

Enter Password

Type the password up to eight characters, and press <Enter>. The password typed now will clear any previously entered password from CMOS memory. You will be asked to confirm the password. Type the password again and press <Enter>. You may also press <Esc> to abort the selection and not enter a password.

To disable password, just press <Enter> when you are prompted to enter password. A message will confirm the password being disabled. Once the password is disabled, the system will boot and you can enter Setup freely.

Password Disable

If you select System at Security Option of BIOS Features Setup Menu, you will be prompted in entering the password whenever the system is rebooted or you try to enter Setup. If you select Setup at Security Option of BIOS Features Setup Menu, you will be prompted only when you try to enter Setup.

Warning: Retain a record of your password in a safe place. If you forget the password, the only way to access the system is to clear CMOS, please refer to "Clear CMOS" on page 30.

Save & Exit Setup

Pressing <Enter> on this item asks for confirmation:

Save to CMOS and EXIT (Y/N)? Y

Pressing "Y" stores the selections made in the menus of CMOS - a special section of memory that stays on after you turn your system off. The next time you boot your computer, the BIOS configures your system according to the Setup selections stored in CMOS. After saving the values the system is restarted again.

Exit Without Saving

Pressing <Enter> on this item asks for confirmation:

Quit without saving (Y/N)? Y

This allows you to exit from Setup without storing in CMOS any change. The previous selections remain in effect. This exits from the Setup utility and restarts your computer.