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LM6 Pentium® II Motherboard

USER'S MANUAL

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Chapter 1 Introduction Of LM6 Features

The motherboard is designed for a new generation CPUs. It supports the Intel SLOT1 structure (Pentium[®] II and Celeron[®] processors), up to 1GB of memory, super I/O, and Green PC functions. The motherboard provides high performance for server systems and meets the requirements for desktop system for multimedia in the future.

(1) Specifications

1. CPU

- CPU SOFT MENU[™] II eliminates the need for jumpers or DIP switches needed to set CPU parameters
- Employs switching type regulators to stabilize CPU operation
- Supports 66, 75* and 83*MHz CPU external clock speeds
- Supports Intel[®] Pentium[®] II 233 ~ 333 MHz processor cartridge
- Supports Intel[®] Celeron[®] 266MHz processor

2. Chipset

- Intel® 440LX chipset (82443LX and 82371AB)
- Supports Ultra DMA/33 IDE protocol
- Supports Advanced Configuration and Power Management Interface(ACPI)
- Accelerated Graphics Port connector supports AGP 66MHz/133MHz (Sideband) 3.3V device

3. Cache Memory

- Level 1 and Level 2 cache built into Intel[®] Pentium[®] II processor card
- Level 1 cache (without L2 cache) built into Intel[®] Celeron[®] processor[•]

4. Memory(DRAM)

- Four 168-pin DIMM sockets support SDRAM and EDO DRAM modules
- Supports up to 512MB (EDO DRAM up to 1GB)
- ECC support

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5. System BIOS

- AWARD BIOS
- Supports Plug-and-Play (PnP)
- Supports Advanced Configuration Power Interface (ACPI)
- Supports Desktop Management Interface (DMI)

6. Multi I/O Functions

- Floppy port supports up to 2.88MB, and 3 mode floppies
- Ultra DMA/33 bus master IDE supports up to 4 IDE devices (Including LS-120 MB floppy drive)
- Built-in Standard/EPP/ECP parallel port connector
- Two built-in 16550 fast UART compatible serial port connectors
- Built-in PS/2 keyboard and PS/2 mouse port connectors
- Built-in standard IrDA TX/RX header
- Two built-in USB connectors

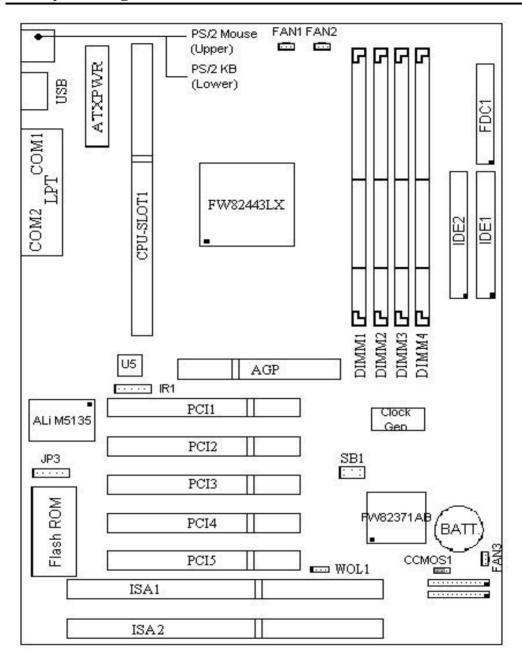
7. Miscellaneous

- ATX form factor
- One AGP slot, Five PCI slots and Two ISA slots
- Wake Up On LAN
- SB-LINK connector
- Wake On Ring (Modem Ring On)
- Reserved hardware monitoring function
- Board size: 305 * 190mm

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- The actual specs of Intel[®] Celeron[®] processor will depend on Intel's shipping specs.
- *Above 66MHz bus speed supported but not guaranteed due to the PCI and chipset specs.
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(2) Layout Diagram

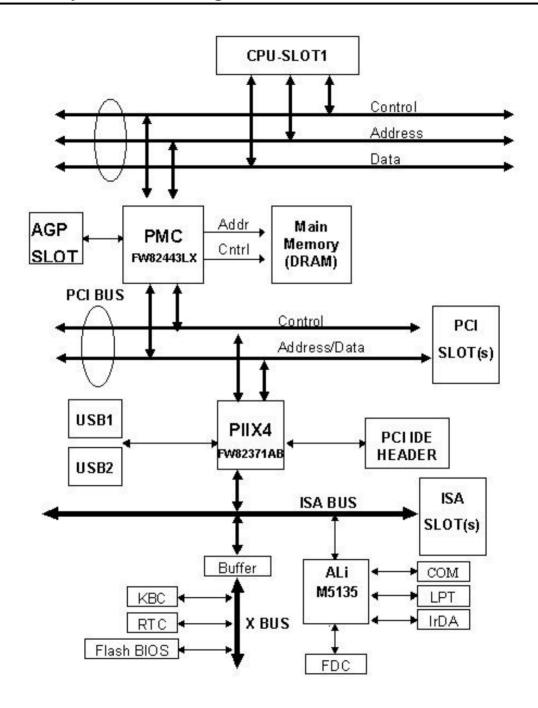


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Figure 1-1 Motherboard Component Locations

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(3) The System Block Diagram



Chapter 2 Installing the Motherboard

This LM6 motherboard not only provides all standard equipment for classic personal computers, but also provides great flexibility for meeting future upgrade demands. This chapter will introduce step by step all the standard equipment and will also present, as completely as possible, future upgrade capabilities. This motherboard is able to support all Intel[®] Pentium[®] II processors and Intel[®] Celeron[®] processor now on the market. (For details, see specifications in Chapter 1.)

This chapter is organized according the following features:

- (1) Installing the Motherboard to the Casing
- (2) Standard external connectors
- (3) Jumpers and switches
- (4) Installing of the Pentium® II CPU.
- (5) Installing of the Celeron® processor.
- (6) Installing the system memory.



Before proceeding with the installation

Before installing the motherboard please be sure to turn off or disconnect the power supply unit. Before making any modifications to the hardware configuration of the motherboard, the power supply to any areas of the motherboard you plan to modify should be turned off to avoid unnecessary damage to the hardware.

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User friendly instructions

Our objective is to enable the novice computer user to perform the installation by themselves. We have attempted to write this document in a very clear, concise and descriptive manner to help overcome any obstacles you may face during installation. Please read our instructions carefully and follow them step-by-step.

(1) Installing the Motherboard to the Casing

Most computer cases will have a base on which there will be many mounting holes that allows the motherboard to be securely attached and at the same time, prevents short circuits.

There are two ways to attach the motherboard to the base.

- •with spacers
- or with bolts

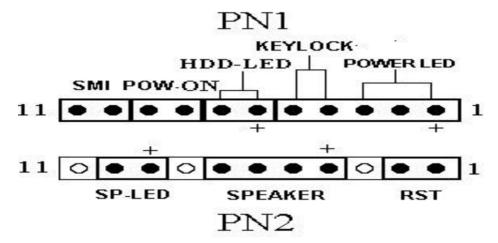
In principle, the best way to attach the motherboard is with bolts, and only if you are unable to do this should you attach the board with spacers. Take a careful look at the motherboard and you will see many mounting holes on it. Line these holes up with the mounting holes on the base. If the holes line up, and there are screw holes this means you can attach the motherboard with bolts. If the holes line up and there are only slots, this means you can only attach the motherboard with spacers. Take the tip of the spacers and insert it into the slots. After doing this to all the slots, you can slide the motherboard into position aligned with the slots. After the motherboard has been positioned, check to make sure everything is OK before putting the casing back on.

Note: If the motherboard has mounting holes, but don't line up with the holes on the base and their are no slots to attach the spacers, don't worry, you can still attach the spacers to the mounting holes. Just cut the spacers (along the dotted line) (the spacer may be a little hard so be careful of our hands). In this way you can still attach the motherboard to the base without worrying about short circuits.

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(2) Standard External Connectors

Inside the case of any computer several cables and plugs have to be connected. These cables and plugs are usually connected one-by-one to connectors located on the motherboard. You need to carefully pay attention to any connection orientation the cables may have and, if any, notice the position of the first pin of the connector. In the explanations that follow, we will describe the significance of the first pin.



PN1(Pin 1-2-3-4-5): Keylock and Power LED Header

There is a specific orientation for pin 1 to pin 5. Insert the two-threads keylock cable into pin 4 and pin 5, and three-threads power LED cable to Pin $1 \sim pin 3$. Correct pins of connector on the motherboard.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
1	+5VDC
2	No connection
3	Ground
4	Keyboard inhibit Signal
5	Ground

PN1(Pin 6-7): HDD LED Header

Attach the cable from the case's HDD LED to this connector.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
6	LED power
7	HDD active

PN1 (Pin 8-9): Power Switch Header

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
8	Ground
9	Power On/Off switch

PN1(Pin 10-11): Hardware Suspend Switch (SMI Switch) Header

Attach the cable from the case's suspend switch (if there is one) to this switch. Use this switch to enable/disable the power management function by hardware.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
10	+3V Standby
11	Suspend signal

PN2(Pin 1-2): Hardware Reset Header

Attach the cable from the case's Reset switch to this connector. Press and hold the reset button for at least one second to reset the system.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
1	Ground
2	Reset input

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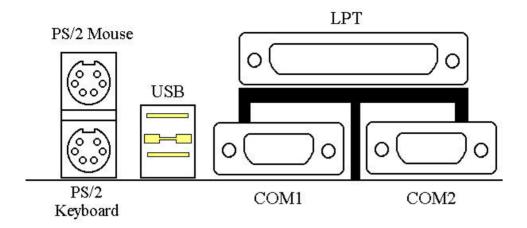
PN2(Pin 4-5-6-7): Speaker Header

Attach the system speaker to connector PN2.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
4	+ 5VDC
5	Ground
6	Ground
7	Speaker data

PN2(Pin 9-10): Suspend LED Header

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
9	LED power
10	Suspend LED active



MOUSE: PS/2 Mouse Connector

Attach a PS/2 mouse to this 6-pin Din-connector.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
1	Mouse data
2	No connection
3	Ground
4	+5VDC
5	Mouse clock
6	No connection

Keyboard: PS/2 Keyboard Connector

Attach a keyboard to this 6-pin Din-connector.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
1	Keyboard data
2	No connection
3	Ground
4	+5VDC
5	Keyboard clock
6	No connection

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ATX PWR: ATX Power Input Connector

Caution: If power supply connectors are not properly attached to ATX

PWR, the power supply or add-on cards may be damaged.

Attach the connectors from the power supply to ATX PWR.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
1	+3.3VDC
2	+3.3VDC
3	Ground
4	+5VDC
5	Ground
6	+5VDC
7	Ground
8	Power Good
9	+5VSB
10	+12VDC
11	+3.3VDC
12	-12VDC
13	Ground
14	On/Off control signal
15	Ground
16	Ground
17	Ground
18	-5VDC
19	+5VDC
20	+5VDC

FAN1(CPU FAN): DC Fan Power Header

FAN1(CPU FAN)	
Pin number	Name of the signal or signification
1	Sense sjgnal
2	+12V
3	Control On/Off

FAN2, FAN3: DC Fan Power Header

FAN2 / FAN3	
Pin number	Name of the signal or signification
1	Sense signal
2	+12V
3	Ground

IR: IR Header (Infrared)

Pin	Name or significance of signal
number	
1	+5V
2	No connection
3	IR_RX
4	Ground
5	IR_TX

I/O Port Connectors

Name	Pin number	Description
IDE1	40	IDE channel 1 connector
IDE2	40	IDE channel 2 connector
FDC	34	Floppy disk connector
LPT	25	Parallel port
COM1	9	Serial port COM1 connector
COM2	9	Serial port COM2 connector
USB	8	Universal serial Bus

Notes: *IDE1, IDE2 are high performance PCI IDE connectors. Up to four IDE interface devices are supported.

WOL1: Wake On LAN Header

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
1	+5VSB
2	GND
3	Sense input

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SB1: SB-Link[™] Header

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
1	GNTA
2	Ground
3	KEY
4	REQA
5	Ground
6	SERIRQ

JP3: Wake On Ring Header

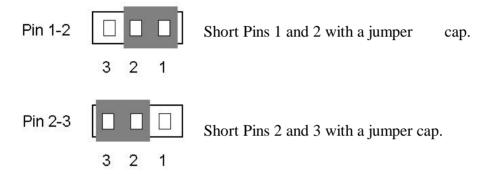
Pin number	Name or significance of signal
1	+5VSB
2	No connection
3	Sense Input
4	Ground
5	No connection

(3) Jumper and Switches

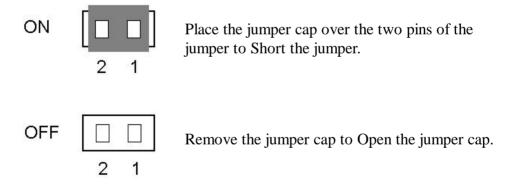
You can set jumper switches on the motherboard to configure various hardware options. See Figure 1-1 for jumper locations.

Throughout this section, the following symbols are used to indicate jumper settings.

For 3-pin jumpers, the symbols below are used:



For 2-pins jumpers, the following symbols are used:



Note: To avoid losing jumper caps, attach the removed jumper cap to one of the jumper pins.

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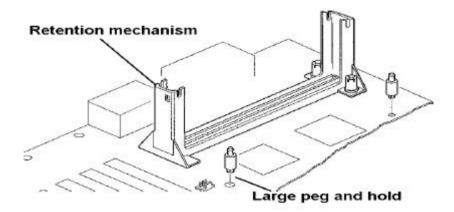
CCMOS 1 - CMOS Discharge Jumper

Jumper CCMOS discharge CMOS memory. When you install the motherboard, make sure this jumper is set for Normal Operation(1-2). See the jumper below.

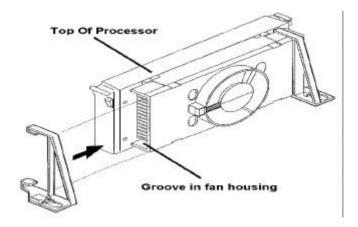
Setting	CCMOS
Normal Operation (Default)	1 2 3
Discharge CMOS	1 2 3

(4) Installation of the Pentium II CPU

1. Mount the two black plastic pegs onto the motherboard. These pegs will be used to attach the fan heat sink supports. Notice that one hole and the base of one peg are larger than the other hole and peg base. Push each peg into its hole firmly to the end until you hear it "click" into place.



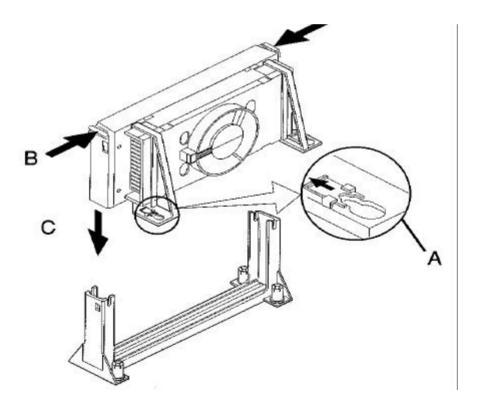
2. Slide a black plastic support onto each end of the fan heat sink, making sure that the hole and clip are on the outside edge of the support. Slide each support toward the center of the processor until the support is secured to the outside groove of the fan housing.



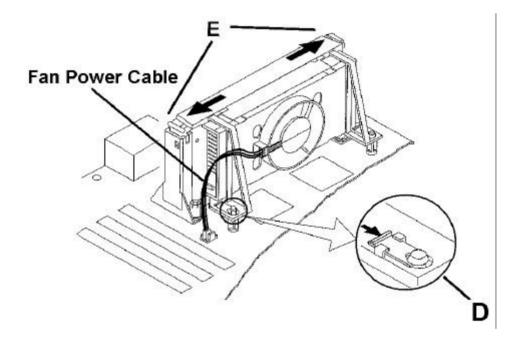
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3. Slide the clip (A) on each support toward the processor, exposing the hole that will fit the peg on the motherboard. Push the latches (B) on the processor toward the center of the processor until they click into place.

4. Hold the processor so that the fan shroud is facing toward the pegs on the motherboard. Slide the processor (Direction C) into the retention mechanism and press evenly and gently. Ensure that the pegs on the motherboard slide into the holes on the heat sink support and that the alignment notch in the processor fits over the plug in Slot 1.



5. Slide the clips on the supports (D) forward until they click into place to hold the pegs securely. (Apply slight pressure on the peg and push the peg forward the clip while pushing the clip forward.) Push the latches on the processor (E) outward until they click into place in the retention mechanism. The latches must be secured for proper electrical connection of the processor.



Note:

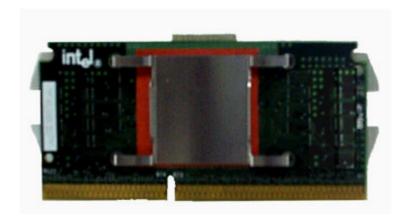
- Installing a heat sink and cooling fan is necessary for proper heat dissipation from your CPU. Failing to install these items may result in overheating and damage of your CPU.
- Please refer to your boxed Pentium[®] II processor installation or other documentation attached with your CPU for detailed installing instructions.

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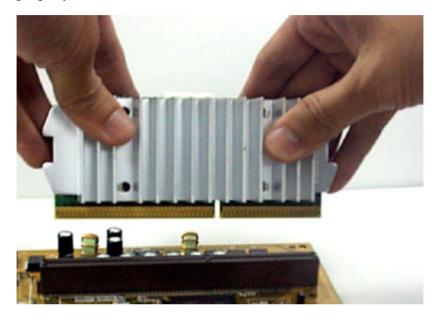
(5) Installation of the Celeron processor

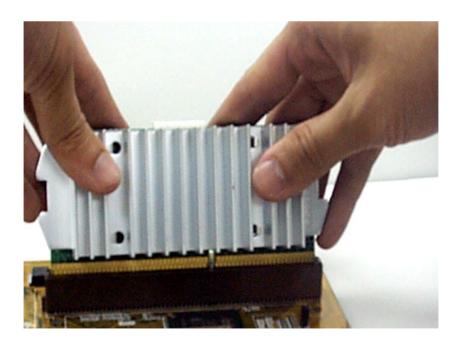
1. The Intel [®] Celeron [®] processor looks like the Pentium [®] II processor without the cartridge outside. It's directly attached to the heat sink and processor chip without fan. The actual package of Celeron [®] processor will depend on Intel's shipping (package) spec. The photos below show Intel's Celeron [®] processor's front side and back side view.





2. Take the processor with both sides to insert processor to Slot 1 socket. Vertically align the processor gold finger and contact the Slot 1 socket properly.





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3. Then push the processor on both sides evenly, forcing the processor into the Slot 1 socket.



4. Well done! You're finished the installation procedure of the processor .



Note:

- Installing a heat sink and cooling fan is necessary for proper heat dissipation from your CPU. Failing to install these items may result in overheating and damage of your CPU.
- Please refer to your boxed Celeron[®] processor installation or other documentation attached with your CPU for detailed installing instructions.

(6) Installing System Memory

The motherboard provides four 168-pin DIMM sites for memory expansion. The DIMM socket supports 1Mx64(8MB), 2Mx64(16MB), 4Mx64(32MB), 8Mx64(64MB), 16Mx64(128MB), and 32Mx64(256MB) or double sided DIMM modules. Minimum memory size is 8MB and maximum memory size is 512 MB SDRAM and 1GB EDO DRAM.

There are four Memory module sockets on the system board.(Total eight banks)

In order to create a memory array, certain rules must be followed. The following set of rules allows for optimum configurations.

- The memory array is 64 or 72 bits wide. (Without parity or with parity)
- Those modules can be populated in any order.
- Support single and double density DIMMS.

The following is the valid memory configuration:

Bank	Memory Module	Total Memory
Bank 0, 1	8MB, 16MB,	8MB ~ 128MB
(DIMM1)	32MB, 64MB, 128MB	
Bank 2, 3	8MB, 16MB,	8MB ~ 128MB
(DIMM2)	32MB, 64MB, 128MB	
Bank 4, 5	8MB, 16MB,	8MB ~ 128MB
(DIMM3)	32MB, 64MB, 128MB	
Bank 6, 7	8MB, 16MB,	8MB ~ 128MB
(DIMM4)	32MB, 64MB, 128MB	
Total System Memory		8MB ~ 512MB
	-	

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Chapter 3 Introduction of BIOS

The BIOS is a program located on a Flash Memory chip on the motherboard. This program will not be lost when you turn the computer off. This program is also referred to as the boot program. It is the only channel for the hardware circuit to communicate with the operating system. Its main function is to manage the setup of the motherboard and interface cards parameters, including simple parameters such as time, date, hard disk drive, as well as more complex parameters such as hardware synchronization, device operating mode. The computer will operate normally, or will operate at its best, only if all these parameters are correctly configured through the BIOS.

Don't change the parameters inside the BIOS unless you know what you are doing

The parameters inside the BIOS are used to setup the hardware synchronization or the device operating mode. If the parameters are not correct, they will produce errors, the computer will crash, and sometimes you will even not be able to boot the computer after it has crashed. We recommend that you do not change the parameters inside the BIOS unless you are familiar with them. If you are not able to boot your computer anymore, please refer to the section "Erase CMOS data" in Chapter 2.

When you start the computer, it is controlled by the BIOS program. The BIOS first operates an auto-diagnostic for all the necessary hardware, configures the parameters of the hardware synchronization, and detects all the hardware. Only when these tasks are completed does it give up control of the computer to the program of the next level, which is the operating system. Since the BIOS is the only channel for hardware and software to communicate, it will be the key factor for system stability, and to ensure that your system performs at its best. After the BIOS has achieved the auto-diagnostic and auto-detection operations, it will display the following message:

PRESS DEL TO ENTER SETUP

Three to five seconds after the message is displayed, if you press the **Del** key, you will access the BIOS Setup menu. At that moment, the BIOS will display the following message:



Fig 3-1 BIOS Setup main menu

In the BIOS Setup main menu of Figure 3-1, you can see several options. We will explain these options step by step in the following pages of this chapter, but let us first see a short description of the function keys you may use here:

- Press **Esc** to quit the BIOS Setup.
- Press $\uparrow \downarrow \rightarrow \leftarrow$ (up, down, left, right) to choose, in the main menu, the option you want to confirm or to modify.
- Press **F10** when you have completed the setup of BIOS parameters to save these parameters and to exit the BIOS Setup menu.
- Press Page Up/Page Down or +/- keys when you want to modify the BIOS parameters for the active option.

Computer knowledge

CMOS DATA

Maybe you have heard somebody saying that their CMOS DATA was lost. What is the CMOS? Is it important? The CMOS is the memory used to store the BIOS parameters that you have configured. This memory is passive. You can read its data, and you can also store data in it. But this memory has to be powered by a battery, in order to avoid any loss of its data when the computer is turned off. Since you may have to change the CMOS battery when it is out of power and if doing so, you will loose all CMOS data, therefore, we recommend that you write down all the parameters of your hardware, or to put a label with these parameters on your hard disk.

(1) CPU Setup 【CPU SOFT MENU[™] II】

The CPU can be setup through a programmable switch (<u>CPU SOFT</u> <u>MENUTM II</u>), that replaces traditional manual hardware configuration. This feature allows the user to complete more easily the installation procedures. You can install the CPU without configuring any jumpers or switches. The CPU must be setup according its specifications.

In the first option, you can press <F1> at any time to display all the items that can be chosen for that option.

Fig 3-2 CPU SOFT MENUTM II

CPU Name Is:

- ➤ Intel Pentium II MMX
- ➤ Intel Celeron MMX

CPU Operating Speed:

This option sets the CPU speed.

In this field, the CPU speed is indicated like this:

<u>CPU speed = External clock * Multiplier factor</u>

Select the CPU speed according the type and the speed of your CPU.

[Note 1] For Intel Pentium II MMX CPUs, you can choose the following settings:

[Note 4] User define external clock and multiplier factor:

➤ User Define

■ External Clock:

➤ 66MHz ➤ 75MHz ➤ 83MHz

■ Multiplier Factor:

You can choose the following multiplier factors:

However, differences will exist because of the various brands and types available.

Normally, we do not recommend that you use the "User Define" option to setup CPU speed and multiplier factor. This option is for setup of future CPUs whose specifications are still unknown. The specifications of all present CPUs are included in the default settings. Unless you are very familiar with all CPU parameters, it is very easy to make mistakes when you define by yourself the external clock and the multiplier factor.

Turbo Frequency:

This item will only be displayed if your CPU external clock supports Turbo mode.

The Turbo mode allows you to speed up the external clock by approximately 2.5%. This feature is used to verify the design flexibility. It is a very important tool for test units to verify CPU stability. Do not use this feature.

➤ Disable: CPU external clock is operating within the

normal limits.

➤ Enable: CPU external clock is operating within the

limits of the Turbo mode.

Solution in case of booting problem due to invalid clock setup:

Normally, if the CPU clock setup is wrong, you will not be able to boot. In this case, turn the system off than on again. The CPU will automatically use its standard parameters to boot. You can then enter BIOS Setup again and set up the CPU clock.

If you can't enter BIOS setup , you must try turning the system on a few times ($3\sim4$ times) or press " INSERT " key when turn on and the system will automatically use its standard parameters to boot. You can then enter BIOS SETUP again and set up the new parameters.

When you change your CPU:

The motherboard have been designed in such a way that you can turn the system on after having inserted the CPU in the socket without having to configure any jumpers or DIP switches. But if you change your CPU, normally, you just have to turn off the power supply, change the CPU and then, set up the CPU parameters through CPU SOFT MENUTM II However, if the CPU brand and type is the same, and if the new CPU is slower than the old one, we offer you two methods to successfully complete the CPU change operation.

Method 1: Setup up the CPU for the lowest speed for its brand. Turn the power supply off and change the CPU. Then turn the system on again, and set up the CPU parameters through CPU SOFT

MENUTM II

Method 2: Since you have to open the computer case when you change the CPU, it could be a good idea to use the CCMOS jumper to erase the parameters of the original CPU and to enter BIOS Setup to set up CPU parameters again.

Note:

The increase by 2.5% of the CPU speed is not a standard feature of this product. It is only for use by our development department to verify that the CPU is able to work normally when CPU speed, operating temperature and power supply are 2.5% higher or lower than the standard values. This is to guarantee product stability. We require the manufacturer of the Clock Generator to meet the demands of our

development department and to add a TURBO Frequency feature used for testing purposes by our R&D department. Of course, you can use this feature to test the stability of your own system, but after you have tested the product, we recommend that you set it back to its normal value in order to guarantee system stability.

Attention: After setting up the parameters and you leave the BIOS SETUP, and you have verified that the system can be booted, do not press the Reset button or turn off the power supply. Otherwise the BIOS will not read correctly, the parameters will fail and you must enter CPU SOFT MENU[™] II again to set up the parameters all over again.

CPU Power Supply:

This option allows you to switch between CPU Default and user define voltage.

➤ CPU Default: System will detect CPU type and select proper voltage

automatically. When it is enabled ,the option "Core Voltage" will show the current voltage setting that is defined by the CPU and this will not be changeable. We recommend is using this CPU default setting and not changing it unless current CPU type and voltage setting

can not be detected or not correct.

➤ User define: This option lets the user select the voltage manually. You

can change values of the "Core Voltage" option lists by

using the Page Up and Page Down keys.

(2) Standard CMOS Setup Menu

This contains the basic configuration parameters of the BIOS. These parameters include the settings of date, hour, VGA card, FDD and HDD.

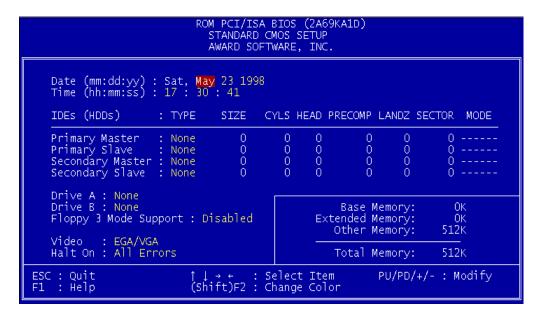


Fig 3-3 Standard CMOS Setup Menu

Date (mm:dd:yy):

You can set the date information in this item, month (mm), date (dd) and year (yy).

Time (hh:mm:ss):

You can set time information in this item, hour (hh), minute (mm) and second (ss).

Setup of HDD operating mode [NORMAL, LBA, LARGE]

Since old operating systems were only able to support HDD whose capacity was not bigger than 528MB, any hard disk with more than 528MB was unusable. AWARD BIOS features a solution to this problem: you can, according to your operating system, choose three operating modes: NORMAL, LBA or LARGE.

The HDD auto detection option in the Main Menu will automatically detect the parameters of your hard disk and the mode supported.

➤ Normal mode:

Standard normal mode supports hard disks of 528MB or less. This mode directly uses positions indicated by Cylinders (CYLS), Heads, and Sectors to access data.

➤ LBA (Logical Block Addressing) mode:

The earlier LBA mode can support HDDs capacity of up to 8.4GB, and this mode uses a different method to calculate the position of disk data to be accessed. It translates Cylinders (CYLS), Heads and Sectors into a logical address where data are located. The Cylinders, Heads, and Sectors displayed in this menu do not reflect the actual structure of the hard disk, they are just reference values used to calculate actual positions. Currently, all high capacity hard disks support this mode, that's why we recommend you use this mode. Currently, the BIOS can support INT 13h extension function, then the LBA mode supports hard disk drives capacity exceeding 8.4GB.

➤ LARGE Mode:

When the number of cylinders (CYLs) of the hard disk exceeds 1024 and DOS is not able to support it, or if your operating system does not support LBA mode, you should select this mode.

For further information about HDD installation, refer to Appendix B.

Drive A:

If you have installed the floppy disk drive here, then you can select the type of floppy drive it can support. Six options are available: None \rightarrow 360K, 5.25 in. \rightarrow 1.2M, 5.25in. \rightarrow 720K, 3.5 in. \rightarrow 1.44M, 3.5 in. \rightarrow 2.88M, 3.5 in. \rightarrow 8ack to None.

Drive B:

If you have installed the floppy disk drive here, then you can select the type of floppy drive it can support. Six options are available: None \rightarrow 360K, 5.25 in. \rightarrow 1.2M, 5.25in. \rightarrow 720K, 3.5 in. \rightarrow 1.44M, 3.5 in. \rightarrow 2.88M, 3.5 in. \rightarrow Back to None.

FDD supporting 3 Mode:

3 Mode floppy disk drives (FDD) are 3 1/2" drives used in Japanese computer systems. If you need to access data stored in this kind of floppy, you must select this mode, and of course you must have a 3 Mode floppy drive.

Video:

You can select the VGA modes for your video adapter, five options are available: MONO→EGA/VGA →CGA 40→CGA 80 → Back to MONO. The default setting is EGA/VGA.

Halt On:

You can select which type of error will cause the system to halt. Five options are available: All Errors→No Errors→All, But Keyboard→All, But Diskette→All, But Disk/Key→Back to All Errors.

You can see your system memory list in the lower right box, it shows the *Base Memory*, *Extended Memory* and *Other Memory* size in your system.

(3) BIOS Features Setup Menu

BIOS Features Setup Menu has already been set for maximum operation. If you do not really understand each of the options in this menu, we recommend you use default values.

In each item, you can press <F1> at any time to display all the options for this item.



Fig 3-4 BIOS Features Setup

Virus Warning:

This item can be set as Enable or Disable.

When this feature is enabled, if there is any attempt from a software or an application to access the boot sector or the partition table, the BIOS will warn you that a boot virus is attempting to access to the hard disk.

CPU Level 1 Cache:

This item is used to Enable or to Disable the CPU level 1 cache. When the cache is set at Disable, it is much slower, so the default setting for this item is Enable. Some old and very bad programs will make the computer malfunction or crash if the system speed is too high. In that case, you should Disable this feature.

CPU Level 2 Cache:

This item is used to enable or to disable the CPU level 2 cache. When the external cache is enabled, the system works faster. The default is Enable.

CPU Level 2 Cache ECC Checking:

This item is used to enable or to disable the CPU level 2 cache ECC checking function .

Quick Power On Self Test:

After the computer has been powered on, the BIOS of the motherboard will run a series of tests in order to check the system and its peripherals. If the Quick power on self test feature is Enable, the BIOS will simplify the test procedures in order to speed up the boot process. The default is Enable.

Boot Sequence:

When the computer boots up, it can load the operating system from floppy drive A:, hard disk drive C:, SCSI disk drive or CD-ROM. There are many options for the boot sequence:

- ➤ A, C, SCSI
- ➤ C, A, SCSI
- ➤ C, CD-ROM, A
- ➤ CD-ROM, C, A
- ➤ D, A, SCSI (At least 2 IDE HDD can be used)
- ➤ E, A, SCSI (At least 3 IDE HDD can be used)
- F, A, SCSI (At least 4 IDE HDD can be used)
- ➤ SCSI, A, C
- ➤ SCSI, C, A
- ➤ A, SCSI, C
- ➤ LS/ZIP, C

Swap Floppy Drive:

This item can be set as Enable or Disable.

When this feature is enabled, you don't need to open the computer case to swap the position of floppy disk drive connectors. Drive A: can be set as drive B:, and drive B: can be set as drive A:.

Boot Up Floppy Seek:

When computer boots up, the BIOS detects if the system has FDD or not. When this item is enabled, if the BIOS detects no floppy drive, it will display a floppy disk drive error message. If this item is disabled, the BIOS will skip this test.

Boot Up NumLock Status:

- ➤ On: At boot up, the Numeric Keypad is in numeric mode.
- ➤ Off: At boot up, the Numeric Keypad is in cursor control mode.

IDE HDD Block Mode:

This item can be set as Enable or Disable.

Most of new hard disk drives (IDE drives) support multi-sector transfers. This feature speeds up hard disk drive access performance and reduces the time necessary to access data. When this item is enabled, the BIOS will automatically detect if your hard disk drive supports this feature or not, and will choose the right settings for you. (**The default is Disable**)

For further details about hard disk drive installation, refer to appendix B.

Typematic Rate Setting:

This item allows you to adjust the keystroke repeat rate. When enabled, you can set the two keyboard typematic control that follow (Typematic Rate and Typematic Rate Delay). If this item is disabled, the BIOS will use the default setting.

Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec):

When you press a key continuously, the keyboard will repeat the keystroke according to the rate you have set. (Unit: characters/second)

Typematic Rate Delay (Msec):

When you press a key continuously, if you exceed the delay you have set here, the keyboard will automatically repeat the keystroke according a certain rate. (Unit: milliseconds)

Security Option:

This option can be set to System or to Setup.

After you have created a password through PASSWORD SETTING, this option will deny access to your system (System) or modification of computer setup (BIOS Setup) by unauthorized users.

- ➤ **SYSTEM:** When you choose System, a password is required each time the computer boots up. If the correct password is not given, the system will not start.
- ➤ SETUP: When you choose Setup, a password is required only when accessing the BIOS Setup. If you have not set a password in the PASSWORD SETTING option, this option is not available.

Notice: Don't forget your password. If you forget the password, you will have to open the computer case and clear all information in the CMOS before you can start up the system. But doing this, you have to reset all the options you had set up before.

PCI/VGA Palette Snoop:

This option allows the BIOS to preview VGA Status, and to modify the information delivered from the Feature Connector of the VGA card to the MPEG Card. This option can solve the display inversion to black after you have used the MPEG card.

OS Select For DRAM > 64MB:

When the system memory is bigger than 64MB, the communication method between the BIOS and the operating system will differ from one operating system to another. If you use OS/2, select OS2; if you choose another operating system, select Non-OS2.

Report No FDD For WIN 95:

When using Windows 95 without floppy drive, please set this item to Yes.

Delay IDE Initial (Sec):

This item is used to support some old or model or special type of hard disks or CD-ROMs, since the BIOS may not detect those kinds of devices during system booting.

Video BIOS Shadow:

This option is used to define whether the BIOS on the video card uses shadow feature or not. You should set this option to Enable, otherwise the display performance of the system will greatly decrease.

Shadowing address ranges (C8000-CBFFF Shadow):

This option allows you to decide if the memory block (BIOS) of an interface card at the address C8000-CBFFF uses the shadow feature or not. If you have no interface card using this memory block, don't enable this option.

Shadowing address ranges (CC000-CFFFF Shadow):

This option allows you to decide if the memory block (BIOS) of an interface card at the address CC000-CFFFF uses the shadow feature or not. If you have no interface card using this memory block, don't enable this option.

Shadowing address ranges (D0000-D3FFF Shadow):

This option allows you to decide if the memory block (BIOS) of an interface card at the address D0000-D3FFF uses the shadow feature or not. If you have no interface card using this memory block, don't enable this option.

Shadowing address ranges (D4000-D7FFF Shadow):

This option allows you to decide if the memory block (BIOS) of an interface card at the address D4000-D7FFF uses the shadow feature or not. If you have no interface card using this memory block, don't enable this option.

Shadowing address ranges (D8000-DBFFF Shadow):

This option allows you to decide if the memory block (BIOS) of an interface card at the address D8000-DBFFF uses the shadow feature or not. If you have no interface card using this memory block, don't enable this option.

Shadowing address ranges (DC000-DFFFF Shadow):

This option allows you to decide if the memory block (BIOS) of an interface card at the address DC000-DFFFF uses the shadow feature or not. If you have no interface card using this memory block, don't enable this option.

Computer knowledge

SHADOW

What is the SHADOW? The BIOS of standard video or interface cards is stored in ROM, and it is often very slow. With the Shadow feature, the CPU reads the BIOS on the VGA card and copies it into RAM. When the CPU runs this BIOS, the operation is speeded up.

(4) Chipset Features Setup Menu

The Chipset Features Setup Menu is used to modify the contents of the buffers in the chipset on the motherboard. Since the parameters of the buffers are closely related to hardware, if the setup is not correct or false, the motherboard will become unstable or you will not be able to boot up. If you don't know the hardware very well, use default values (i.e. use the LOAD SETUP DEFAULTS option).

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ROM PCI/ISA BIOS (2A69JAIG)
CHIPSET FEATURES SETUP
AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

Auto Configuration : Enabled
DRAM Speed Selection : 60ns | SDRAM RAS Precharge Time : Slow |
SDRAM CAS latency Time : 2
MA Wait State : Fast | Spread Spectrum Modulated: Disabled
EDO RAS# To CAS# Delay : 3
EDO RAS# Precharge Time : 4
EDO DRAM Read Burst : x222
EDO DRAM write Burst : x222

DRAM Data Integrity Mode : Non-ECC
CPU-To-PCI IDE Posting : Disabled
System BIOS Cacheable : Disabled
Video BIOS Cacheable : Disabled
Video RAM Cacheable : Disabled
Video RAM Cacheable : Disabled
8 Bit I/O Recovery Time : 1
16 Bit I/O Recovery Time : 1
16 Bit I/O Recovery Time : 1
Memory Hole At 15M-16M : Disabled | F1 : Help | PU/PD/+/- : Modify
Delayed Transaction : Disabled | F5 : Old Values (Shift)F2 : Color
AGP Aperture Size (MB) : 4 | F6 : Load BIOS Defaults
SDRAM RAS-to-CAS Delay : Slow | F7 : Load Setup Defaults
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Fig 3-5 Chipset Features Setup

You can use the arrow keys to move between the items. Use **PgUP**, **PgDn**, + or - key to change the values. When you have finished setting up the chipset, press **ESC** to go back to the main menu.

Auto Configuration:

Two options are available: Enabled or Disabled, the default setting is Enabled. The DRAM and cache related to timing are set to 60ns by default but also according to the CPU type and clock. If you choose the Disabled setting, then you can specify your own DRAM timing.

DRAM Speed Selection:

Two options are available: 60ns or 50ns. When you Enabled the Auto Configuration setting, you can see this option. There are two DRAM timing parameters that can be automatically set by the BIOS.

Items that have the "" mark mean that you need to set the *Auto Configuration* to *Disabled*, then you can manually adjust the star marked item.

*MA Wait State:

Two options are available: Fast or Slow. You can use this option to enable or disable one additional MA (DRAM Memory Address) wait state. Which means, if you have heavy loading or lower speed DRAM, you should set it to Fast.

*EDO RAS# To CAS# Delay:

Two options are available: 2 or 3. Because when DRAM is refreshed, both rows and columns are address separately. You may set the wait state between the RAS (Row Address Strobe) and CAS (Column Address Strobe) signal.

*EDO RAS# Precharge Time:

You can specify the number of cycles it takes for the RAS to accumulate its charge before the EDO DRAM refreshes. If insufficient time is chosen, refresh may be incomplete and cause data lose.

*EDO DRAM Read Burst:

This option will let you to set the timing for burst mode reads from EDO DRAM. You can think of this as a request from the CPU which needs four separate parts to finish it. The first, provides the reading location within the DRAM. The remaining three parts will delivery the actual data. The lower the timing number the faster the system will address the memory.

*EDO DRAM Write Burst:

This option will let you to set the timing for burst mode writes to EDO DRAM. You can think of this as a write request from the CPU which needs four separate parts to finish it. The first, provides the writing location within the DRAM. The remaining three parts will deliver the actual data. The lower the timing number the faster the system will address the memory.

DRAM Data Integrity Mode:

Two options are available: Non-ECC or ECC. This option use to configure the type of DRAM in your system. ECC is Error Checking and Correction, when your memory is ECC memory, the choose the ECC option.

CPU-To-PCI IDE Posting:

Two options are available: Enabled and Disabled. When you Enabled this option, it will allow post write cycles from the CPU to the PCI IDE interface. IDE accesses are posted in the CPU to PCI buffers. For optimal result, you should Enabled this option.

System BIOS Cacheable:

You can select Enable or Disable. When you select Enable, you get faster system BIOS executing speed via the L2 cache.

Video BIOS Cacheable:

You can select Enable or Disable. When you select Enable, you get faster video BIOS executing speed via the L2 cache.

Video RAM Cacheable:

You can select Enable or Disable. When you select Enable, you get faster video RAM executing speed via the L2 cache. You must check your VGA adapter manual to find out if any compatibility problems will occur.

8 Bit I/O Recovery Time:

Nine options are available: NA \rightarrow 8 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 7 \rightarrow *Back to NA*. This option specifies the length of a delay inserted between consecutive 8 bit I/O operations. For an earlier 8 bit Add-on card, sometimes you need to adjust its recovery time to make it work normal.

16 Bit I/O Recovery Time:

Five options are available: NA \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow Back to NA. This option specifies the length of a delay inserted between consecutive 16 bit I/O operations. For an earlier 16 bit Add-on card, sometimes you need to adjust its recovery time to make it work normal.

Memory Hole At 15M-16M:

This option is used to free up the 15M-16M memory block. Some special peripherals need to use a memory block located between 15M and 16M, and this memory block has a size of 1M. We recommend that you disable this option.

Passive Release:

Two options are available: Enabled and Disabled. Set the option to enabled or disabled passive release for the Intel PIIX4 chip (Intel PCI to ISA bridge). This function is used to meet the latency of the ISA bus master, if you have an ISA card compatibility problem, you can try to enable or disable this option for optimal result.

Delayed Transaction:

Two options are available: Enabled and Disabled. Set the option to enabled or disabled delayed transaction for the Intel PIIX4 chip. This function is used to meet the latency of PCI cycles to or from the ISA bus. This option must be enabled to provide PCI 2.1 compliance. If you have ISA card compatibility problem, you can try to enable or disable this option for optimal result.

AGP Aperture Size (MB):

Seven options are available: $4 \rightarrow 8 \rightarrow 16 \rightarrow 32 \rightarrow 64 \rightarrow 128 \rightarrow 256 \rightarrow$ **Back to 4.** This option specifies the amount of system memory that can be used by the AGP device. The aperture is a portion of the PCI memory address range dedicated for graphics memory address space.

SDRAM RAS-to-CAS Delay:

Two options are available: Slow or Fast. This option specifies the length of the inserted between the RAS and CAS signal of the DRAM system memory access cycle if SDRAM is installed. The setting will affects SDRAM performance, the default setting is Slow.

SDRAM RAS Precharge Time:

Two options are available: Slow or Fast. This option specifies the length of the RAS precharge part of the DRAM system memory access cycle when SDRAM system memory is installed. The default setting is Slow.

SDRAM CAS latency Time:

Two options are available: 2 and 3. You can select SDRAM CAS (Column Address Strobe) latency time according your SDRAM specification.

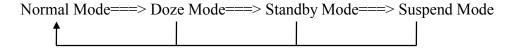
Spread Spectrum Modulated:

Four options are available: Disable → 0.50%(CNTR) → 0.5%(DOWN). For EMC (Electro-Magnetic Compatibility Test) testing may need to adjust these options for optimal result, we do not recommend you change the default, except for special reasons. Some values you select may cause system instability under some situations, please be careful.

There are small differences in the chipset feature setup according to different motherboard models, but this has no influence upon performance. Our default setup should be the best one. That is the reason why we do not describe all the features of this menu.

(5) Power Management Setup Menu

The difference between Green PCs and traditional computers is that Green PCs have a power management feature. With this feature, when the computer is powered on but inactive, the power consumption is reduced in order to save energy. When the computer operates normally, it is in Normal mode. In this mode, the Power Management Program will control the access to video, parallel ports, serial ports and drives, and the operating status of the keyboard, mouse and other device. These are referred to as Power Management Events. In cases where none of these events occur, the system enters the power saving mode. When one of the controlled events occurs, the system immediately returns to normal mode and operates at its maximum speed. Power saving modes can be divided into three modes according to their power consumption: Doze Mode, Standby Mode, and Suspend Mode. The four modes proceed in the following sequence:



The system consumption is reduced according the following sequence:

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Normal > Doze > Standby > Suspend
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1. In the Main Menu, select "Power Management Setup" and press "Enter". The following screen is displayed:



Fig 3-6 Power Management Setup Menu

- 2. Use arrow keys to go to the item you want to configure. To change the settings, use **PgUP**, **PgDn**, + or key.
- 3. After you have configured the Power Management feature, press **Esc** to go back to the Main Menu.

We are now going to briefly explain the options in this menu:

Power Management:

Four options:

➤ User Define

User Define defines the delay for accessing the power modes.

➤ Min Saving

When the three saving modes are enabled, the system is set up for minimum power savings.

Doze = 1 hour

Standby = 1 hour

Suspend = 1 hour

➤ Max Saving

When the three saving modes are enabled, the system is set up for maximum power savings.

Doze = 1 minute

Standby = 1 minute

Suspend = 1 minute

➤ Disable

Disable the power management function.

PM Control by APM:

Power Management is completely controlled by the APM.

APM stands for Advanced Power Management, it is a power management standard set by Microsoft, Intel and other major manufacturers.

Video Off Method:

Three video off methods are available: "Blank Screen", "V/H SYNC + Blank" and "DPMS". The default is "V/H SYNC + Blank".

If this setting does not shut off the screen, select "Blank Screen". If your monitor and video card support DMPS standard, select "DPMS".

Video Off After:

Select the saving mode in which the video is switched off.

➤ NA

The video will never be switched off in no power saving mode.

Suspend

The video will only be switched off in Suspend mode.

➤ Standby

The video will only be switched off in Standby or Suspend mode.

➤ Doze

The video will be switched off in all power saving modes.

CPU Fan Off Option:

CPU fan can be turned off in suspend mode.

Modem Use IRQ:

You can specify the IRQ for modem use.

Doze Mode:

When the setting selected for "Power Management" is "User Define", you can define for this mode any delay from 1 minute to 1 hour. If no power management event occurs during this time period, meaning that computer is inactive during this period, the system will enter the Doze power saving mode.

If this mode is disabled, the system will enter the next mode in the sequence (Standby or Suspend mode).

Standby Mode:

When the setting selected for "Power Management" is "User Define", you can define for this mode any delay from 1 minute to 1 hour. If no power management event occurs during this time period, meaning the computer is inactive during this period, the system will enter the Standby power saving mode.

If this mode is disabled, the system will enter the next mode in the sequence (Suspend mode).

Suspend Mode:

When the setting selected for "Power Management" is "User Define", you can define for this mode any delay from 1 minute to 1 hour. If no power management event occurs during this time period, meaning the computer is inactive during this period, the system will enter the Suspend power saving mode. The CPU stops working completely.

If this mode is disabled, the system will not enter the Suspend mode.

Throttle Duty Cycle:

This is used to specify the CPU speed in power saving mode. Seven options are available: 12.5%, 25.0%, 37.5%, 50.0%, 62.5% or 75.0%.

IDE HDD Power Down:

If the system has not accessed data on the hard disk drive during the specified time period, the engine of the HDD will stop in order to save electricity.

You can set 1 to 15 minutes or select Disable according to your use of the HDD.

Power Button Override:

Support ACPI Power Button Over-ride. The user presses the power button for more then four seconds while the system is in the working state, then the system will transition to the soft-off(Power off by software). This is called the power button over-ride.

Resume by LAN:

To enable this feature, you must make sure your network software and network adapter (LAN card) support such a function. This function is also called "Wake on LAN" (WOL).

Power on by Ring:

If you connect an external modem to the onboard serial port, the system will be turned on when a telephone ring-up occurs.

Power on by Alarm:

RTC alarm can turn on the system . You can set date (of month) and time (hour , minute , second) .

PM Timer Events:

When one of the specific occurs, the count down made for entry in power saving mode goes back to zero.

Since the computer will enter a power saving mode only after an inactivity delay specified (time specific for Doze, Standby and Suspend modes) and after it has no activity, during this time period, any event will cause the computer to re-count the time elapsed. Resume events are operations or signals that cause the computer to resume time counting.

►VGA Active Monitor:

If there is any VGA data transfer or any I/O activities, this will cause the computer to re-count the time elapsed.

➤*IRQ* [3-7, 9-15], NMI:

If any IRQ or NMI (Non-Mask Interrupt) activities occur, this will cause the computer to re-count the time elapsed.

➤IRQ8 Break Suspend:

Supports the RTC alarm wake up from suspend function (via IRQ8).

➤ IDE Primary Master:

If any IDE primary master I/O activity occurs, it will cause the computer to re-count the time elapsed.

➤ IDE Primary Slave:

If any IDE primary slave I/O activity occurs, it will cause the computer to re-count the time elapsed.

➤ IDE Secondary Master:

If any IDE secondary master I/O activity occurs, it will cause the computer to re-count the time elapsed.

➤ IDE Secondary Slave:

If any IDE secondary slave I/O activity occurs, it will cause the computer to re-count the time elapsed.

➤ Floppy Disk:

If any floppy disk I/O activity occurs, it will cause the computer to recount the time elapsed.

➤ Serial Port:

If any serial port I/O activity occurs, it will cause the computer to recount the time elapsed.

➤ Parallel Port:

If any IDE secondary master I/O activity occurs, it will cause the computer to re-count the time elapsed.

➤ Mouse Break Suspend:

Four options are available: Yes \rightarrow No (COM1) \rightarrow No (COM2) \rightarrow No (PS/2) \rightarrow Back to Yes.

(6) PNP, PCI & Onboard I/O Setup

In this menu, you can change the INT# and IRQ of the PCI bus and the onboard I/O device, I/O port address and other hardware settings.

ROM PCI/ISA BIOS (2A69KAIA) PNP, PCI & ONBOARD I/O AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.		
Fource Update ESCD : Disabled ISA PNP OS Installed : No Resources Controlled By : Manual ** IRQ DMA Assigned to PCI/ISA PNP ** IRQ 3:N IRQ 4:N IRQ 5:Y IRQ 7:N IRQ 9:Y IRQ10:Y IRQ11:Y IRQ12:Y IRQ14:N IRQ15:N DMA 0:Y DMA 1:Y DMA 3:Y DMA 5:Y DMA 6:Y DMA 7:Y DMA 3:Y DMA 5:Y DMA 6:Y DMA 7:Y Assign IRQ For PCI VGA : AUTO PCI IDE Card 2nd Channel : Enabled PCI IDE Card IRQ Map To : PCI-AUTO - Primary IDE INT# : A - Secondary IDE INT# : B USB Keyboard Support Via : OS Onboard IDE-1 Controler : Enabled	Onboard FDD Controller : Enabled Onboard Serial Port 1 : 3F8/IRQ4 Onboard Serial Port 2 : 2F8/IRQ3 - Onboard IR Function : IrDA - RXD TXD Active : Hi,Lo - IR Transmission Delay : Enabled Onboard Parallel Port : 378/IRQ7 - Parallel Port Mode : ECP+EPP - ECP Mode Use DMA : 3 - EPP Mode Select : EPP1.7	
- Master Drive Mode : Auto - Slave Drive Mode : Auto Onboard IDE-2 Controller : Enabled - Master Drive Mode : Auto - Slave Drive Mode : Auto	ESC : Quit ↑↓→← : Select Item F1 : Help PU/PD/+/- : Modify F5 : Old Values (Shift)F2 : Color F6 : Load BIOS Defaults F7 : Load Setup Defaults	

Fig 3-7 PNP, PCI & Onboard I/O Setup

Force Update ESCD:

If you want to clear ESCD data next time you boot up, and ask the BIOS to reset the settings for the Plug & Play ISA Card and the PCI Card, select Enabled. But the next time you boot up, this option will automatically be set as Disabled.

Computer Knowledge

ESCD (Extended System Configuration Data)

The ESCD contains the IRQ, DMA, I/O Port, Memory information of the system. This is a specification and a feature specific to the Plug & Play BIOS.

ISA PNP OS Installed:

Device resource assigned by PnP OS or BIOS.

Resources Controlled By:

Two options are available: Auto or Manual. The Award Plug and Play BIOS has the capability to automatically configure all of the boot and Plug and Play compatible devices. But if you met trouble for assign the interrupt resource automatically, you can select Manual to set which IRQ and DMA are assigned to PCI/ISA PNP or legacy ISA cards.

Assign IRQ For VGA:

You can assign an IRQ for the PCI VGA or Auto.

PCI IDE Card 2nd Channel:

This option can be enabled or disabled. BIOS default is Enable. Since this channel uses IRQ15, if you want to use this channel, you have to enable this option to make the BIOS assign IRQ15 to this channel.

PCI IDE Card IRQ Map to:

Three options are available for this item: PCI Auto, PCI-SlotX and ISA.

- ➤ PCI-Auto: The onboard BIOS auto-detects which PCI slot has an IDE card inserted in.
- ➤ PCI-SlotX: Some old PCI IDE cards cannot be detected by the BIOS. If the onboard BIOS cannot detect a PCE IDE card, you have to specify on which PCI slot the IDE card is inserted, to make the BIOS assign IRQ14 for use by the interrupt number (INT#) of this PCI slot.
- ➤ ISA: If you select ISA, it means that your PCI IDE card features a "paddleboard" and a cable that can be connected to IRQ on the ISA slot, because the BIOS will not assign any IRQ to this PCI slot.

Attention: Primary Channel and Secondary Channel: The BIOS needs two independent interrupt number (INT#) lines to be allocated to the PCI IDE card. Be careful not to choose twice the same interrupt number (INT#).

USB Keyboard Support Via:

You can choose either the OS or the BIOS to support the USB keyboard. Depending on the situation. Two options are available: OS or BIOS, OS is the default settings, and BIOS you may need to select in the DOS environment to enable USB keyboard.

Onboard USB Assigned IRQ:

If you need another IRQ to be free up, you can choose to disable this item, and you can get an IRQ. But some situations in Windows[®] 95 it may cause the USB port malfunction or other problems! Two options are available: Enable or Disable the assigned IRQ action.

Onboard IDE-1 Controller:

The onboard IDE 1 controller can be set as Enable or Disable.

■ Master drive Mode:

- ➤ Auto: the BIOS can auto-detect the transfer mode of the HDD in order to set its data transfer rate. (Default)
- ➤ PIO 0~PIO 4: User can specify the PIO mode of the HDD in order to set its data transfer rate.

Slave drive Mode:

- ➤ Auto: the BIOS can auto-detect the transfer mode of the HDD in order to set its data transfer rate. (Default)
- ➤ PIO 0~PIO 4: User can specify the PIO mode of the HDD in order to set its data transfer rate.

Onboard IDE-2 Controller:

The onboard IDE-2 controller can be set at Enable of Disable.

■ Master drive Mode:

- ➤ Auto: the BIOS can auto-detect the transfer mode of the HDD installed in order to set its data transfer rate. (Default)
- ➤ PIO 0~PIO 4: User can specify the PIO mode of the HDD in order to set its data transfer rate.

➡ Slave drive Mode:

- Auto: the BIOS can auto-detect the transfer mode of the HDD installed in order to set its data transfer rate. (Default)
- ➤ PIO 0~PIO 4: User can specify the PIO mode of the HDD in order to set its data transfer rate.

PIO MODE 0~4 reflects the HDD data transfer rate. The higher the MODE value is, the better is the HDD data transfer rate. But it does not mean that you can select the highest MODE value just as you like, you first have to be sure that your HDD supports this MODE, otherwise the hard disk will not be able to operate normally.

On Board FDD Controller:

This is to Enable or Disable the Onboard FDD Controller.

On board Serial Port 1:

This is used to specify the I/O address and IRQ of Serial Port 1. Ten options are available: Disable, 3F8h/IRQ4, 2F8h/IRQ3, 3E8h/IRQ4 or 2E8h/IRQ3, 3F8h/IRQ10, 2F8h/IRQ11, 3E8h/IRQ10, 2E8h/IRQ11, and AUTO.

On board Serial Port 2:

This is used to specify the I/O address and IRQ of Serial Port 2. Ten options are available: Disable, 3F8h/IRQ4, 2F8h/IRQ3, 3E8h/IRQ4 or 2E8h/IRQ3. 3F8/IRQ10, 2F8/IRQ11, 3E8/IRQ10, 2E8/IRQ11, and AUTO.

Onboard IR Function:

Three options are available:

- ➤ IrDA (HPSIR)mode.
- ➤ ASK IR (Amplitude Shift Keyed IR)mode.
- ➤ Disabled.

$\implies RxD$, TxD Active:

Set IR transmission/reception polarity as High or Low.

■ IR Transmission Delay:

Set IR transmission delays 4 character-time(40 bit-time) when SIR is changed form RX mode to TX mode.

On board Parallel Port:

Set the I/O address and IRQ of the onboard parallel port. Four options are available: Disable, 3BCh/IRQ7, 278h/IRQ5 and 378h/IRQ7. Default is 378h/IRQ7.

₽ Parallel Port Mode:

Can be set as ECP, EPP, ECP+EPP, or Normal (SPP) mode. Default is Normal (SPP) mode.

© ECP Mode Use DMA:

When the mode selected for the onboard parallel port is ECP, the DMA channel selected can be Channel 1 or Channel 3.

■ EPP Mode Select:

When the mode selected for the onboard parallel port is EPP, two EPP version options are available: EPP1.7.

For further information about HDD installation, refer to Appendix B.

(7) Load Setup Defaults

Setup defaults are the settings that allow your system to operate at its highest performance. When you choose this option, the following message is displayed:

"Load Setup Defaults (Y/N)? N"

If you want to use BIOS Setup default values, press "Y", than <Enter> to complete the loading of the settings for best performance.

You should first load the best settings, than enter the CPU Soft Menu to set up CPU parameters, otherwise the BIOS will replace set parameters by default parameters.

(8) Load BIOS Defaults

BIOS defaults are the reference settings that allow your system to work at a comparatively low performance. When you choose the option, the following message is displayed:

"Load BIOS Defaults (Y/N)? N"

If you want to use BIOS default values, press "Y", than <Enter>.

(9) Password Setting

This option allows you to set a password required to start the system (System) or to access to the BIOS (Setup).

After you have set a password through the PASSWORD SETTING option, you can enter the Security Option in the "BIOS Features Setup Menu" to select the security level in order to prevent any unauthorized access.

Password setting procedure:

When you choose the Password setting option, the following message is displayed:

"Enter Password:"

Type your password. When complete, press <Enter>. The following message is displayed:

"Confirm Password:"

Type your password again. When complete, press <Enter>. The password setting is completed.

Password clearing procedure:

When you select the Password setting option, the following message is displayed:

"Enter Password:"

Press <Enter>, the message "Password Disable" is displayed. Press a key. The password clearing procedure is completed.

Notice: Do not forget your password. If you forget it, you will have to

open the computer case, clear the contents of the CMOS, and boot the system up again. By doing this, you must reset all

your parameters.

(10) IDE Hard Disk Detection

After you have installed the hard disk, in old systems, you had to know the hard disk specifications, such as the number of cylinders, heads and sectors, and to enter the relevant information into the hard disk information section. If the CMOS data was erased, and you had forgotten the hard disk specifications, it was a great problem. But now, you can use this option to auto detect the hard disk type and specifications, and the BIOS will automatically detect all the relevant information and place them in the Hard Disk data section of the Standard CMOS Setup Menu, in order to allow you to use your hard disk.

(11) Save & Exit Setup

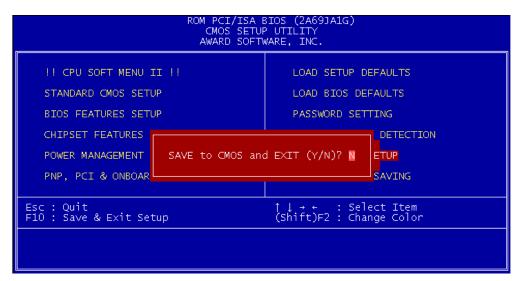


Fig 3-8 Save & Exit Setup

You can save all your selection to CMOS and exit BIOS to reboot your computer.

(12) Exit Without Saving

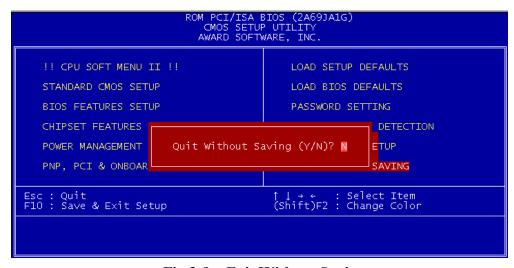


Fig 3-9 Exit Without Saving

You can exit and without saving all your selection to CMOS, then exit BIOS to reboot your computer.

Quick Installation A-1

Appendix A Quick Installation

Appendix A will give you a simplified installation procedure, in order to allow you to install your motherboard quickly and correctly.

If you need further information or if you need to change some other settings, start reading from Chapter 1.

Installing the CPU

Mount the retention mechanism onto Slot 1, then fix the screw on the four corners of the mechanism. Slightly and gently insert the Pentium[®] II processor into the retention base, make sure all the components are affixed securely.

Adjusting CPU speed

According to your CPU speed, set up the CPU in the <u>CPU SOFT MENUTM II</u> of the BIOS SETUP.

Installing DRAM

DIMM 1 ~ DIMM 4

Installing FDD

Watch the pin position and the orientation

FDC: Connect one end of the 34-pin cable that comes with the drive to the FDD connector, and the other end of the cable to the FDC pin connector on the motherboard.

Note: Be sure that the red line on the cable connects to the first pin of the connectors.

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Installing HDD

Watch the pin position and the orientation

IDE1 (Primary IDE): Connect one end of the 40-pin cable that comes with the drive to the HDD connector, and the other end to IDE1 pin connector on the motherboard.

Note: Be sure that the red line on the cable connects to the first pin of the connectors.

Installing CD-ROM drive

Watch the pin position and the orientation

IDE2 (Secondary IDE): Connect one end of the 40-pin cable that comes with the drive to the CD-ROM connector, and the other end to the IDE2 pin connector on the motherboard.

Note: Be sure that the red line on the cable connects to the first pin of the connectors.

Installing Keylock and power LED connectors

Watch the pin position and the orientation

PN1 Pin 1-5: There is a specific orientation for pin 1 to pin 5. Insert the two-threads keylock cable into pin 4 and pin 5, and three-threads power LED cable to Pin $1 \sim pin 3$. Correct pins of header on the motherboard.

Pin number	Name of the signal or signification
1	+5VDC
2	No connection
3	Ground
4	Keyboard inhibit Signal
5	Ground

Installing HDD LED connector

Watch the pin position and the orientation

PN1 Pin 6-7: There is a specific orientation for pin 6 and pin 7. Connect the two-threads IDE HDD LED connector of the computer case to correct pins of header on the motherboard.

Pin number	Name of the signal or signification
6	LED power
7	HDD active

Installing power On/Of switch connector

PN1 Pin 8-9: There is no specific orientation for pin 8 and pin 9. Connect the two-threads power switch cable to the PN1 header pins on the motherboard.

Pin number	Name of the signal or signification
8	Ground
9	Power On/Off switch

Installing suspend switch connector

PN1 Pin 10-11: There is no specific orientation for pin 10 and pin 11. Connect the two-threads suspend switch connector of the computer case to correct pins of header on the motherboard. You can ignore this connector since most of computer cases do not support this feature (the motherboard itself supports it).

Pin number	Name of the signal or signification
10	Ground
11	Suspend signal

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Installing Hardware Reset Switch Connector

PN2 Pin 1-2: Attach the cable from the case's Reset switch to this header. Press and hold the reset button for at least one second to reset the system.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
1	Ground
2	Reset input

Installing speaker connector

PN2 Pin 4-7: There is no specific orientation for pin 4 and pin 7. Connect the four-threads speaker cable to the PN2 header pins on the motherboard.

Pin number	Name of the signal or signification
4	+5VDC
5	Ground
6	Ground
7	Speaker data

Installing suspend LED connector

Watch the pin position and the orientation

PN2 Pin 9-10: There is a specific orientation for pin 9 and pin 10. Connect the two-threads suspend LED switch connector of the computer case to correct pins of header on the motherboard.

Pin number	Name or significance of signal
9	LED Power
10	Suspend LED active

Quick Installation A-5

Installing ATX Power input connector

Watch the pin position and the orientation

ATXPW1: Connect the power supply unit to the correct connectors on the motherboard.

Pin number	Name of the signal or	Pin	Name of the signal or
riii iiuiiidei	signification	number	signification
1	+3.3VDC	11	+3.3VDC
2	+3.3VDC	12	-12VDC
3	Ground	13	Ground
4	+5VDC	14	ON/OFF control signal
5	Ground	15	Ground
6	+5VDC	16	Ground
7	Ground	17	Ground
8	Power Good	18	-5VDC
9	+5VSB	19	+5VDC
10	+12VDC	20	+5VDC

Installing Keyboard connector

Watch the pin position and the orientation

KB1 lower connector: There is an orientation pin. Connect your PS/2 keyboard connector to the connector on back side of the motherboard.

Installing PS2 Mouse

Watch the pin position and the orientation

KB1 upper connector: There is an orientation pin. Connect your PS/2 mouse connector to the connector on the back side of the motherboard.

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Installing CPU fan power connector

Watch the pin position and the orientation

FAN: There is a specific orientation. Connect the three-threads fan power cable to the fan header on the motherboard.

FAN1 (CPU FAN)		
Pin number	Name of the signal or signification	
1	Sense	
2	+12V	
3	Control On/Off	

FAN2 / FAN3		
Pin number Name of the signal or signification		
1	Sense	
2	+12V	
3	Ground	

Adjusting other jumpers

Some jumpers are reserved for future functions or are not to be adjusted in normal operation. Adjust them according to the following recommendations.

CCMOS: Always put jumper on pin 1 and pin 2, this is default setting.

BIOS Setup:

Parameters and CPU settings After you have followed the steps described above and completed the installation, when you power the computer on, you will see the following message displayed

PRESS DEL TO ENTER SETUP

Press immediately Del key to enter BIOS Setup. Select Load Setup Defaults, than enter CPU Soft Menu to set CPU parameters.

Appendix B General Discussion About HDD Installation

Most of the present HDDs use IDE interface. Installing an IDE hard disk does not require a lot of knowledge like installing the driver for a SCSI hard disk, but this means that the user often must install the hard disk by himself and cope with all the problems they may encounter. Here, we will try to help you solve these potential problems.

The data stored in the hard disk are accessed through the chipset located on the motherboard. You might often hear about the PIO mode, Master mode or DMA mode of HDD. These modes reflect the way data is transferred from and to the IDE drive and the motherboard.

What is the PIO mode? When the system needs to access hard disk data, the CPU delivers input/output (I/O) orders through the chipset on the motherboard to the hard disk drive, and then puts this data into the system memory. This is the PIO mode.

What is the Master mode? When the system needs to access hard disk data, this data is directly accessed from the hard disk by the chipset on the motherboard (using a DMA or a PIO mode), and then the data is put into the memory. In this case, the CPU does not participate in the data transfer.

What is the DMA mode? Usually, DMA mode refers to accessing the hard disk data by the chipset, it does not refer to the data transfer mode. Here are some examples of data transfer rates for IDE HDD with PIO interface:

PIO Mode 0 The fastest data transfer rate reaches 3.3Mbyte/sec

PIO Mode 1 The fastest data transfer rate reaches 5.2Mbyte/sec

PIO Mode 2 The fastest data transfer rate reaches 8.3Mbyte/sec

PIO Mode 3 The fastest data transfer rate reaches 11.1Mbyte/sec

PIO Mode 4 The fastest data transfer rate reaches 16.6Mbyte/sec

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The higher the MODE value is, the best is the hard disk data transfer rate. But this does not mean that you can select the highest mode value as you like. You must be sure that your hard disk supports that type of fast data transfer, otherwise your hard disk will not be able to operate correctly.

Here are some examples of data transfer rates for IDE HDD with DMA mode:

DMA Mode 0 The fastest data transfer rate reaches 4.16Mbyte/sec DMA Mode 1 The fastest data transfer rate reaches 13.3Mbyte/sec DMA Mode 2 The fastest data transfer rate reaches 16.6Mbyte/sec

Usually, PIO mode means that the hard disk data are accessed by the CPU through the chipset and placed into memory, and the chipset is using PIO mode to access hard disk data.

MASTER mode means that hard disk data are accessed by the chipset, and that the chipset places the data into memory. The chipset is using DMA or PIO mode to access data stored in the hard disk drive. The Master mode can reduce the CPU load, especially in a Multi-task environment. This can help system performance.

Installing a hard disk:

In the Standard CMOS Setup Menu,

- ◆ Primary means the first connector on the motherboard, that is, connector IDE1 on our motherboard.
- Secondary means the second connector on the motherboard, that is, connector IDE2 on our motherboard.
- ◆ Two HDDs can be connected to the each connector: The first HDD is referred to as Master, The second HDD is referred to as Slave.

The Master or Slave status of the hard disk drive is set on the hard disk itself. Refer to the hard disk drive manual.

Installing one HDD: The red line on the connection cable must be lined up with pin 1 on the connector.

Be sure that your hard disk drive is set at Master. Actually, most hard disk drives are set at Master as a default, so you don't need to adjust any setting. Just connect one end of the 40 pin cable on the drive connector, and the other end to connector IDE1 on the motherboard.

Installing one HDD + **one CD-ROM drive:** The red line on the connection cable must be lined up with pin 1 on the connector.

- Method 1: Set the HDD at Master, and the CD-ROM drive at Slave. Connect one connector of the 40-pin cable to the hard disk, another one to the CD-ROM drive, and the other end to connector IDE1 on the motherboard.
- Method 2: Set the HDD as Master and connect one end of the 40-pin cable to the HDD, and the other end to connector IDE1 on the motherboard.

You can ignore the setting of the CD-ROM drive, just connect one end of the 40-pin cable to the CD-ROM drive, and the other end to connector IDE2 on the motherboard. We recommend you use this kind of connection, since it has no influence on HDD speed.

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Installing two HDDs: The red line on the connection cable must be lined up with pin 1 on the connector.

Method 1: Set the hard disk drive <u>used for boot up</u> at Master, and the other drive at Slave. Connect one of the connectors of the 40-pin cable to the first drive, another connector to the second drive, and the other end of the cable to connector IDE1 on the motherboard.

Method 2: Set the hard disk drive <u>used for boot up</u> at Master, connect one end of the 40-pin cable to the drive, and the other end to connector IDE1 on the motherboard.

Set the other hard disk drive at Master, connect one end of the 40-pin cable to the drive, and the other end to connector IDE2 on the motherboard.

Installing two HDDs + one CD-ROM drive: The red line on the connection cable must be lined up with pin 1 on the connector.

Method 1: Set the hard disk drive <u>used for boot up</u> as Master, set the other HDD at Slave, connect one connector of the 40-pin cable to the first drive, another connector to the second drive, and the other end of the cable to connector IDE1 on the motherboard. You can ignore the setting of the CD-ROM drive. Connect one end of the 40-pin cable to the drive, and the other end to connector IDE2 on the motherboard. We recommend you use this method, since it has no influence on HDD speed.

Method 2: Set the hard disk drive <u>used for boot up</u> at Master, connect one end of the 40-pin cable to the drive, and the other end to connector IDE1 on the motherboard. Set the other hard disk drive at Master, and be sure that the CD-ROM drive is set at Slave. Most of CD-ROM drives are set at Slave as a default, so you will normally not have to set the CD-ROM drive. After you have verified the settings, connect one connector of the 40-pin cable to the HDD, another connector to the CD-ROM drive, and the other end of the cable to connector IDE2 on the motherboard.

Installing three HDDs: The red line on the connection cable must be lined up with pin 1 on the connector.

Method 1: Set the hard disk drive <u>used for boot up</u> at Master, set the second drive at Slave. Connect one connector of the 40-pin cable to the first drive, another connector to the second drive, and the other end of the cable to connector IDE1 on the motherboard.

Set the other (the third) drive at Master, and connect one end of the 40-pin cable to the drive, and the other end to connector IDE2 on the motherboard.

Method 2: Set the hard disk drive <u>used for boot up</u> at Master, and connect one end of the 40-pin cable to the drive and the other end to connector IDE1 on the motherboard. Set another drive (the second drive) at Master and the third drive at Slave, connect one connector of the 40-pin cable to the second drive, another connector to the third drive, and the other end of the cable to connector IDE2 on the motherboard.

Installing three HDDs + one CD-ROM drive: The red line on the connection cable must be lined up with pin 1 on the connector.

Set the hard disk drive <u>used for boot up</u> at Master, set another HDD (the second) at Slave, connect one connector of the 40-pin cable to the first drive, another connector to the second drive, and the other end of the cable to connector IDE1 on the motherboard

Set the third hard disk drive at Master, set the CD-ROM drive at Slave, connect one connector of the 40-pin cable to the third HDD, another connector to the CD-ROM drive, and the other end of the cable to connector IDE2 on the motherboard.

BIOS Setup:

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◆ If all your HDDs are new, you can use the **IDE HDD Auto Detection** option in the CMOS to auto detect the parameters of all your drives. You don't need to set any hard disk parameter.

- ◆ If one or several of your HDDs are old, and if you don't know their parameters, and you want to reconfigure your drives, you can still use the **IDE HDD Auto Detection** option in the CMOS to auto detect the drives parameters.
- ◆ If one or several of your HDD are old, and if you don't want to erase the data stored in your drives, you will have to remember the parameters (Type, Cylinders, Heads, Sectors, Mode) of the drive(s) you don't want to erase. After you have used the IDE HDD Auto Detection option in the CMOS, enter the Standard CMOS Setup Menu to change the settings of the related hard disk drive.

Software use:

The basic step in using a hard disk drive is to make a **HDD Low Level Format**, than run FDISK, and than FORMAT the drive. Most of present HDD have already been subjected to low level format at the factory, so you probably can skip this operation.

Boot with a bootable floppy disk, then enter **FDISK**

★Using FDISK: (DOS command)

This command is found in the DOS disks.

FDISK is a tool used to organize and to partition the hard disk. The hard disk must have been partitioned before use. You can create one unique partition on the hard disk, or create several partition and use a different Operating System on each partition. Just don't forget that you have to specify an Active partition, otherwise your hard disk will not be bootable. For further information about FDISK, refer to the FDISK section in the DOS user's manual.

After you have partitioned the hard disk with FDISK, the system will reboot automatically. Boot from a system floppy disk, and type

FORMAT C: /S

★Using FORMAT: (DOS command)

This command is found in the DOS disks. FORMAT is used to format the hard disk. The HDD have to be formatted before use. Don't forget to add /S after C:, otherwise the hard disk will not be bootable after formatting.

Appendix C Flash BIOS User Instructions

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FLASH MEMORY WRITER v5.34
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AWDFLASH [(FLASH)[PATH][FILENAME]] [/Py.Pn]
[(SAUE)[PATH][FILENAME]] [/Sy.Sn]
[(CLEAR CMOS)[/CC]] [(CLEAR PnP)[/CP]]
[/?]

IPy/Pn] PROGRAM BIOS ANSWER Y or N.
[Sy/Sn] SAUE OLDBIOS ANSWER Y or N.
[/?] FOR HELP!
EXHMPLE 1: AWDFLASH NEWBIOS /Py SAUEBIOS /Sy
EXAMPLE 2: AWDFLASH NEWBIOS SAUEBIOS /CC
EXAMPLE 3: AWDFLASH NEWBIOS /Sn /CP
EXAMPLE 4: AWDFLASH NEWBIOS /Sn /CP
EXAMPLE 4: AWDFLASH /Ph SAUEBIOS

Error Message:
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Example 1 To update BIOS and create a backup of the current system BIOS execute this command:

AWDFLASH NEWBIOS /PY SAVEBIOS /SY

Example 2 To update BIOS, create a backup of current system BIOS, and clear the CMOS, execute this command:

AWDFLASH NEWBIOS SAVEBIOS /CC

Example 3 To update BIOS and clear PnP settings execute this command:

AWDFLASH NEWBIOS /SN /CP

Example 4 To make a backup of the current system BIOS execute the following command:

AWDFLASH NEWBIOS /PN SAVEBIOS

Notes: "NEWBIOS" indicates file name for the new BIOS which can be downloaded from our website at http://www.abit.com.tw (user can choose a different file name in place of NEWBIOS).

"SAVEBIOS" indicates the filename of the old system BIOS (user can choose a different file name in place of SAVEBIOS).

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Explanation of parameter names:

/CC: Clears CMOS data /CP: Clears PnP data

Remarks:

- ① When executing AWDFLASH.EXE, do not run HIMEM.SYS and EMM386.EXE in the CONFIG.SYS.
- ② Please take the following actions to solve problems caused by power shortage or other not preventable malfunctions during BIOS update that lead to update failure. First, it is strongly suggested that you format a disk that can boot your computer before you update your BIOS. If the above mentioned problem occurs during BIOS update you will be able to use this disk to automatically execute a BIOS update. The content of the disk should be the following:
 - a. Startup system files (COMMAND.COM, MSDOS.SYS, IO.SYS...)
 - b. AWDFLSH.EXE
 - c. The NEWBIOS file which can be downloaded from ABIT's website.
 - d. AUTOEXEC.BAT, which has the following content: A:\AWDFLASH NEWBIOS /PY /SN /CC
- When a version of BIOS that is for the incorrect motherboard model the following message will appear:
 - "The program file's part number does not match with your system!"

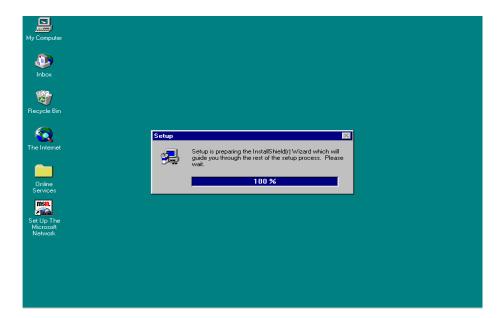
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How to install the IDE Bus Master driver

This motherboard not only supports the IDE Bus Master, it also supports the Ultra DMA/33 HDD. If your hard disk drive supports this function you need to install the Ultra DMA driver software on the CD-ROM included with this motherboard for better performance (Some model's packaging may only have a floppy diskette). If your HDD does not support Ultra DMA/33 specs, you can still install this driver with no harm! Complete the installation process exactly as below:

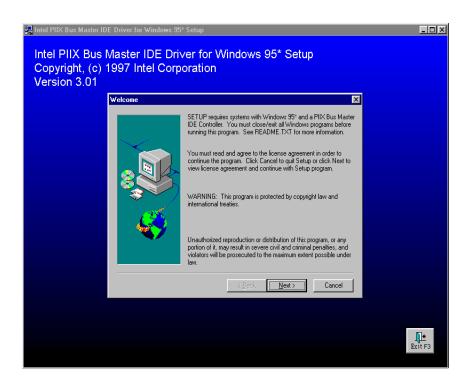
In Windows 95, place the CD-ROM into the computer. The main menu will show up. Click the **Drivers** button, then select the **IDE Master** button, again select the OS in which you want to install the driver. We have provided the OS/2, Windows 95 and Windows NT Bus Master driver for you. Direct clicking the OS button will automatically install the Bus Master driver to your system.

If you have a floppy diskette instead of the CD-ROM, you need to place the diskette into your floppy disk drive, and go into the proper OS directory. When you get in the OS directory, for example Win95, you can double click the **Setup.exe** icon, this will start the drivers installation. Please follow the procedure below:

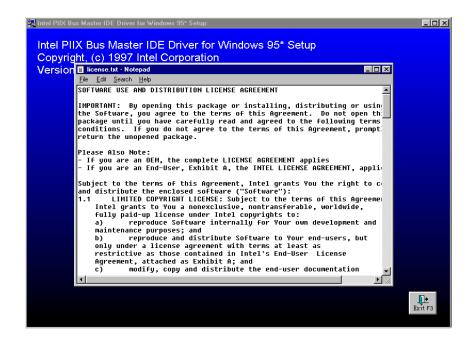


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1. Welcome: Click 'NEXT'



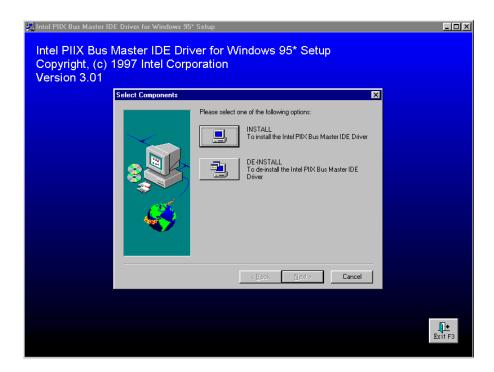
2. License screen: Notepad will show the content, close the notepad to continue.



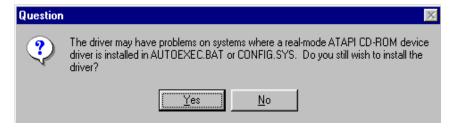
3. Question: Click 'Yes'



4. Select Components: Click 'INSTALL



5. Question: Click 'Yes'



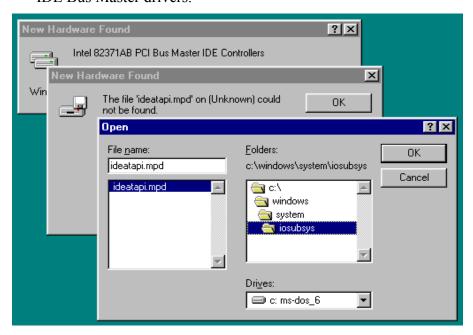
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6. Information: Click 'OK'



After previous instructions have been followed, the driver will automatically install. It will automatically restart the computer after it has finished installing.

7. When you restart your Windows 95, just follow the step shows on the screens. After you see the screen below, please set the path to C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM\IOSUBSYS then finish the following steps. You will need to restart Windows, then Windows will find several I/O devices, when finished with this procedure, you will need to restart Windows 95 yet again. This will fully complete the installation of the IDE Bus Master drivers.

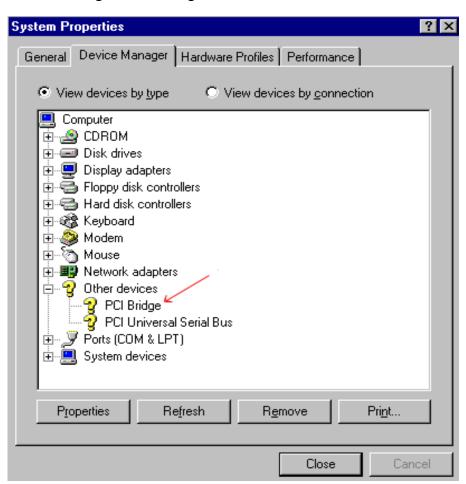


Appendix E

How to install the PCI bridge driver for the 440LX chipset

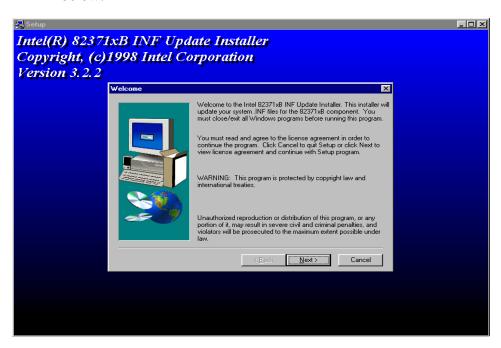
This CD-ROM (Or floppy diskette) has the Intel's 82371xB INF update 3.2.2 drives version. It can be used to update the 440LX chipset motherboard. The following procedure describes how to install and update the PCI bridge. If you have a floppy diskette and not the CD-ROM, just insert the diskette and execute the **Setup.exe** file to start installation of the INF update files.

Step1. Check your Windows[®] 95 *Device Manager*, and find the question mark showing the PCI Bridge.

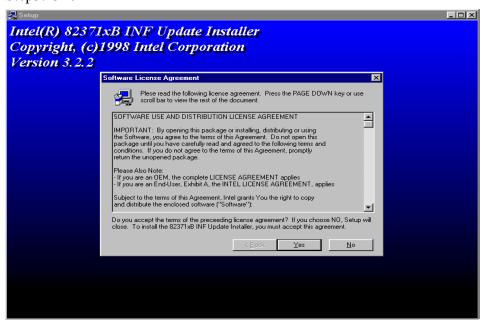


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Step2. Execute the Product CD-Title *ABITCD.EXE* and choice *Driver* → *PCI Bridge Driver for Windows 95*, then you will see the screen below:



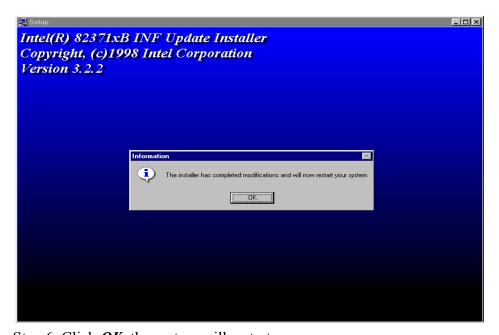
Step3. Click NEXT



Step 4. You will see the license agreement dialog screen, click **Yes.**



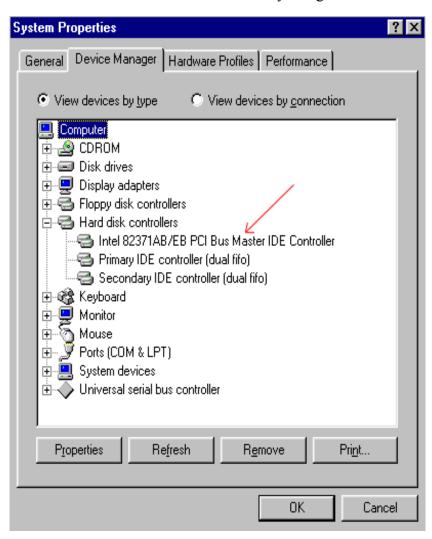
Step 5. Click *Next*, then wait a while, until you see the installation complete screen.



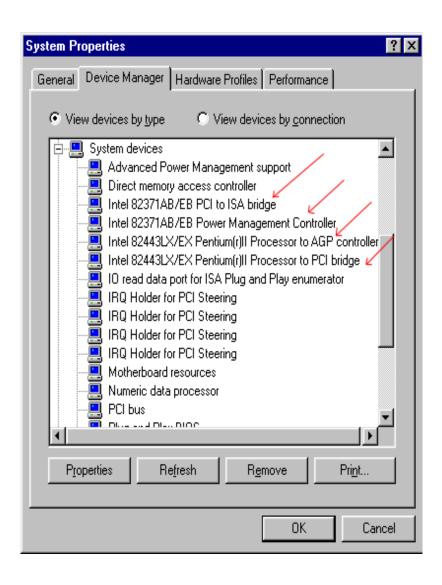
Step 6. Click **OK**, the system will restart.

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Step 7. Restart your computer, then check the *Device Manager* again. First, you can check *Hard Disk Controller*, then take a look to see if the Bus Master driver is already recognized.



Step 8. Also check *System Device*, to find out if four devices are identified as well. (Please see the arrows below) You have completed all things now.



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Appendix F Technical Support

If you have a problem during operation & In order to help our technical support personnel to quickly find out what is the problem of your motherboard and to give you the answers you need, before filling in the technical support form, eliminate any peripheral that is not related to the problem, and indicate on the form the key peripherals. Fax this form to your dealer or to the company where you bought the hardware in order to benefit from our technical support. (You can refer to the examples given below.)

Example 1: With a system including: motherboard (with CPU, DRAM, COAST...) HDD, CD-ROM, FDD, VGA CARD, MPEG CARD, SCSI CARD, SOUND CARD..., after the system is assembled, if you cannot boot up, check the key components of the system using the procedure described below.

First remove all interface cards except the VGA card and try to reboot.

Figure 1. If you still cannot boot up:

Try installing another brand/model VGA card and see if the system will start. If it still does not start, note the VGA card model, motherboard model, Bios identification number, CPU on the technical support form (refer to main instructions), and describe the problem in the problem description space provided.

If you can boot up:

Insert back the interface cards you have removed one by one and try to start the system each time you insert a card, until the system doesn't start anymore. Keep the VGA card and the interface card that causes the problem inserted on the motherboard, remove any other card or peripheral, and start again. If you still cannot start, note down the information related to both cards in the add-on Card space provided, and don't forget to indicate the motherboard model, version, BIOS identification number, CPU (refer to main instructions), and give a description of the problem.

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Example 2: With a system including the motherboard (with CPU, DRAM, COAST...) HDD, CD-ROM, FDD, VGA CARD, LAN CARD, MPEG CARD, SCSI CARD, SOUND CARD, after assembly and after having installed the Sound Card Driver, when you restart the system, when it runs the Sound Card Driver, it resets automatically. This problem may be due to the Sound Card Driver. During the Starting DOS... procedure, press SHIFT (BY-PASS) key, to skip CONFIG.SYS and AUTOEXEC.BAT; edit CONFIG.SYS with a text editor, and in function the line that loads the Sound Card Driver, add a remark REM, in order to disable the Sound Card Driver. See the example below.

CONFIG.SYS:
DEVICE=C:\DOS\HIMEM.SYS
DEVICE=C:\DOS\EMM386.EXE HIGHSCAN
DOS=HIGH,UMB
FILES=40
BUFFERS=36

REM DEVICEHIGH=C:\PLUGPLAY\DWCFGMG.SYS LASTDRIVE=Z

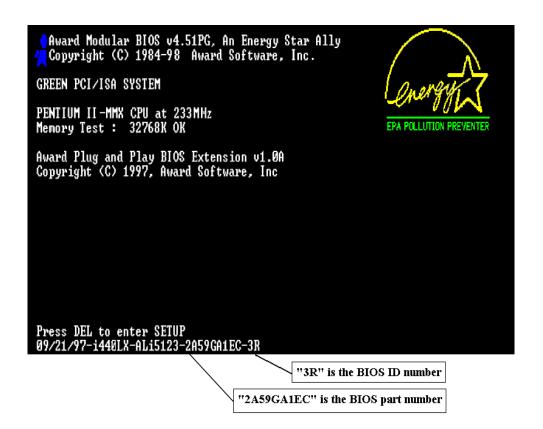
Restart the system. If the system starts and does not reset, you can be sure that the problem is due to the Sound Card Driver. Note down the Sound Card model, motherboard model, BIOS identification number on the technical support file (refer to main instructions), and describe the problem in the space provided.



& & Main instructions...

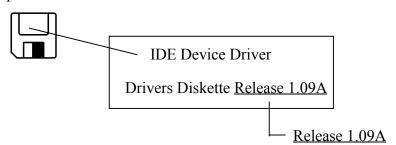
To fill in this "Technical Support Form", refer to the step-by-step instructions given below:

- **MODEL:** Note the model number given in your user's manual. Example: LX6, LM6, AH6, etc...
- **2*. Motherboard model number (REV):** Note the motherboard model number labeled on the motherboard as "REV:*.**". Example: REV:2.11
- **3*. BIOS ID and Part Number :** See below: Example:



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4. DRIVER REV: Note the driver version number indicated on the DEVICE DRIVER disk (if have) as "Release *.**". Example:



- **5*. OS/APPLICATION:** Indicate what are the operating system and the applications your are running on the system. Example: MS-DOS[®] 6.22, Windows[®] 95, Windows[®] NT....
- **6*. CPU:** Indicate the brand and the speed (MHz) of your CPU. Example: (A) In the "Brand" space, write "Intel", in the "Specifications" space, write "Pentium[®] II MMX 233MHz" •
- 7. HDD: Indicate the brand and specifications of your HDD(s), specify if the HDD is using □IDE1 or □IDE2. If you know the disk capacity, indicate it and check ("✓") "□"; in case you give no indication, we will consider that your HDD is "□IDE1" Master.

 Example: In the "HDD" space, check the box, in the Brand space, write "Seagate", in the Specifications space, write "ST31621A (1.6GB)".
- **8. CD-ROM Drive:** Indicate the brand and specifications of your CD-ROM drive, specify if it uses □ IDE1 or □IDE2, and check ("✓") "□"; in case you give no indication, we will consider that your CD-ROM is "☑IDE2" Master.

Example: In the "CD-ROM drive" space, check the box, in the Brand space, write "Mitsumi", in the Specifications space, write "FX-400D".

9. System Memory (DRAM): Indicate the brand and specifications (SIMM / DIMM) of your system memory.

Examples:

In the Brand space, write "Panasonic", in the Specifications space, write "SIMM-FP DRAM 4MB-06".

Or, in the Brand, write "NPNX", in the Specifications space, write "SIMM-EDO DRAM 8MB-06".

Or, in the Brand space, write "SEC", in the Specifications space, write "DIMM-S DRAM 8MB-G12".

10. ADD-ON CARD: Indicate which add-on cards you are "absolutely sure" are related to the problem.

If you cannot identify the problem origin, indicate all the add-on cards inserted into your system.

Note: Items between the "*" are absolutely necessary.

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Technical Support Form

Company name:	Phone #:				
© Contact:	☞ Fax #:				
Model	*	BIOS ID#	*		
Motherboard model no.		DRIVER REV			
OS/Application	*				
Hardware name	Brand	Specifications			
C.P.U	*				
HDD IDE1					
CD-ROM IDE1					
Drive					
System Memory (DRAM)					
ADD-ON CARD					
Problem Description:					

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