

**Intel Socket 478
VIA PT800 + VT8235
u-ATX Motherboard**

User's Guide

Version 1.0



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- * Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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Chapter 1 Introduction

1-1 Product Specifications

Processor

- Supports Intel Socket 478 CPU with Hyper-Threading Technology
- Supports Intel Pentium 4/ Celeron system bus at 400/533/800MHz

Chipset

- VIA PT800 + VT8235, supports Hyper-Threading Technology

Main Memory

- Supports two 184 pin DDR DIMMs up to 2GB
- Supports DDR 266/333/400 memory

Expansion Slots

- One AGP slot for 4X/8X AGP
- Three 32-Bit PCI slots (v2.2 compatible)

5.1-Channel Audio

- With external high quality 5.1-Channel AC'97 Codec
- Complete software driver supports for Windows® OS
- Supports S/PDIF out function (Optional)

IDE

- Build-in VT8235 supports 2 UltraDMA-33/66/100/133 IDE ports

FDD

- One FDD connector supports up to 2.88MB

USB 2.0

- Build-in VT8235 supports total six USB 2.0/1.1 ports
- Supports USB 2.0 high-speed device @480 Mb/s transfer rates

Fast Ethernet

- On-board Realtek RTL8101L supports 10/100Mb Fast Ethernet (Optional)

Boot-Block Flash ROM

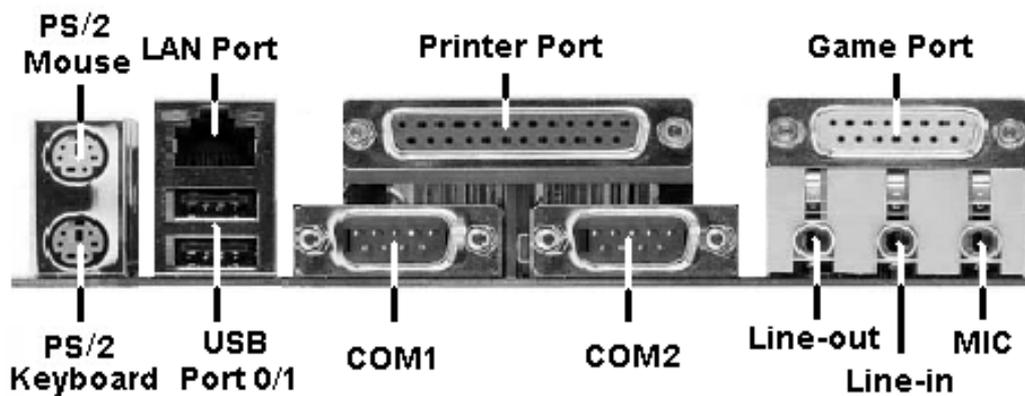
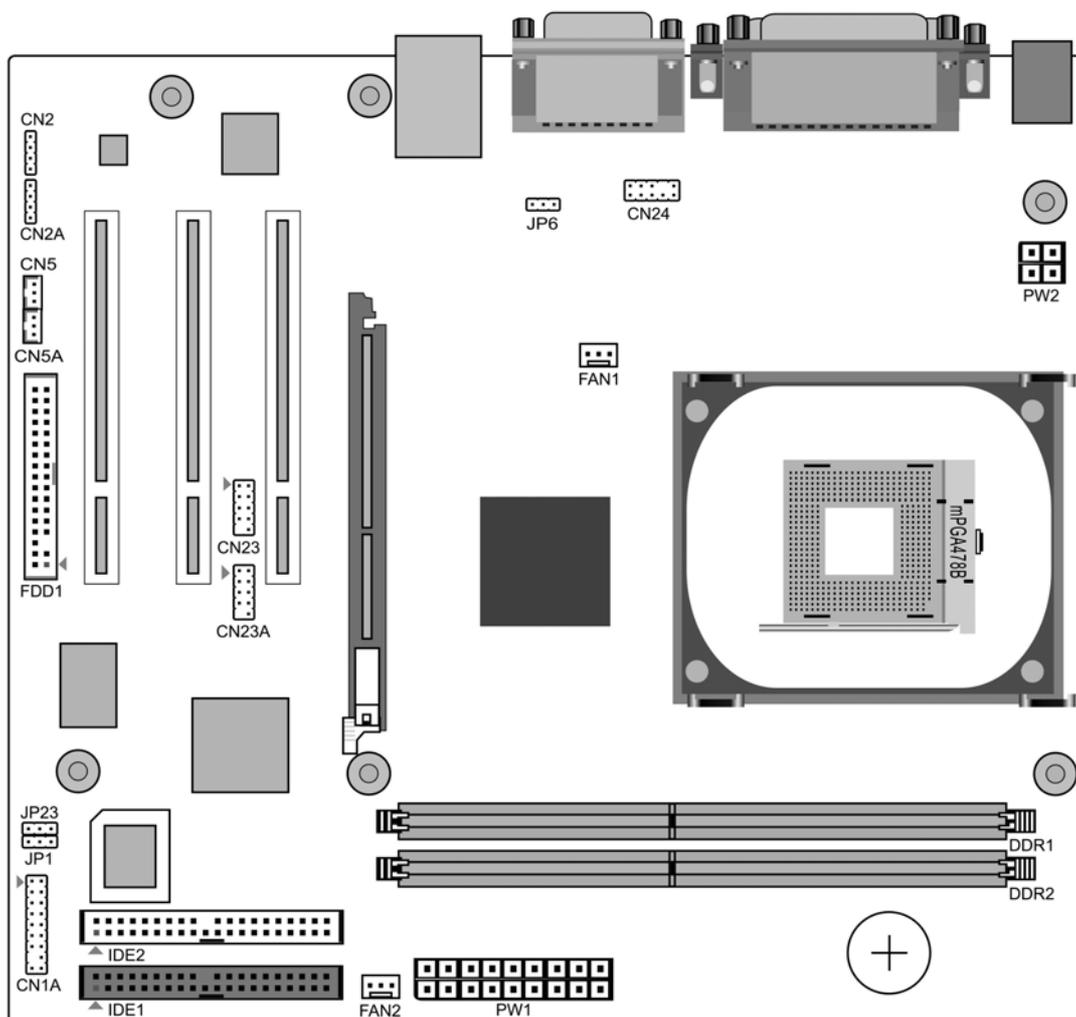
- Award system BIOS supports PnP, APM, DMI, ACPI, & Multi-device booting features.

1-2 Package Contents

This product comes with the following components:

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|---|-----|
| 1. Motherboard | x 1 |
| 2. 40-Pin UDMA-100 IDE Cable | x 1 |
| Blue to motherboard, Gray to Master and Black to Slave | |
| 3. 34-Pin floppy Disk Drive Cable | x 1 |
| 4. I/O Shield | x 1 |
| 5. User's Guide | x 1 |
| 6. Driver CD | x 1 |

1-3 Motherboard Layout



Chapter 2 Hardware Setup

If your motherboard has already been installed in your computer you may still need to refer to this chapter if you plan to upgrade your system's hardware.



This motherboard is electrostatic sensitive. Do not touch without wearing proper safety gadget and make sure to disconnect the power cable from the power source before performing any work on your motherboard. Not doing so may result in electrical shock!

2-1 Installing a CPU Processor for Socket 478

The Intel® Socket 478, designed for the Pentium 4 processor, has been incorporated as a standard motherboard specification. To insert your CPU into Socket 478 please follow the steps bellow:

1. Locate the 478-pin CPU socket on the motherboard.
2. Unlock the socket by pressing the lever sideways, and then open it up to a 90-degree angle.
3. Locate a Gold Mark on the top surface of the CPU, which is close to one of the CPU corners. The same corner will also be cut off, leaving a noticeable notch in the CPU's corner. These markings indicate Pin 1 on the CPU.
4. Gently insert the CPU with Gold Mark/Pin 1 at the same corner of Socket 478, which is located close to the end of the lever. Allow the weight of the CPU to push itself into place. Do not apply extra pressure as doing so may result in damaging your CPU.
5. When the CPU is correctly inserted, close the leaver with your finger on to of the CPU to make sure the CPU is properly embedded into the socket.
6. Insert an appropriate heat sink and fan for proper Heat dispatch.



Installing a standard Intel® specified heat sink with cooling fan is necessary for proper heat dissipation from your CPU. Failing to install these items may result in overheating and possible burnout of your CPU.

2-2 Setting Your CPU's Performance

Frequency Configuration

With the latest user-friendly technology this motherboard enables the user to setup main board's CPU parameters through an easy-to-use BIOS setup procedure. Now it is no longer necessary to change the various jumper settings as on conventional motherboard.

After installing all your hardware into your PC system, you can manually configure your CPU clock ratio and CPU clock according to your processor's specifications: After turning on your system's power, enable the CMOS Setup Utility by pressing **delete key** when your BIOS identification screen appears. Then go to Frequency/Voltage control option and select your CPU clock ration and CPU clock speed (please refer to Chapter 3 for more details).



You do not need to change voltage settings because this board will automatically set your CPU voltage.

2-3 Main Memory Configuration

The DDR SDRAM memory system consists of two banks and can support memory size up to 1 GB per DIMM. If you only use one bank it does not matter which one you use and if you use two or more banks, it does not matter which bank you install first.



DRAM Specifications

DIMM type: 2.5V, unbuffered 184 pin 64/128/265/512-bit DDR SDRAM.

Module size: Single/double-sided 64/128/256/512M or 1G Bytes.

Parity: Ether Parity or Non-Parity.

2-4 Connector and Jumper Settings

Connectors are used to link the system board with other parts of the system, including the power supply, the keyboard, and the various controllers on the front panel of the system case.



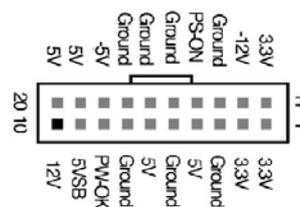
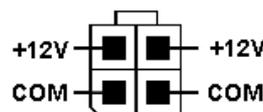
The power supply connector is the last connection to be made while installing a motherboard. Before connecting the power supply, please make sure it is not connected to the power source.



All cables that provided by CHAINTECH come with a security-proof.

PW 1 / 2 (ATX Power Supply Connector)

The power cord leading from the system's power supply to the external power source must be the very last part connected when assembling a system. The ATX power supply provides a single 20-pin connector interface, which incorporates standard +/-5V, +/-12V, optional 3.3V and Soft-power signals. The Soft power signal, a 5V trickle supply is continuously supplied when AC power is available. When the system is in the Soft-Off mode, this trickle supply maintains the system in its minimum power state.



The ATX 12V power supply has a new +12V (4-pin) and +5V/3.3V (6-pin) auxiliary power connector to enable the delivery of more +12 VDC and +5/3.3V VDC current to the motherboard.

Power-On By Modem

While in Soft-Off state, if an external modem ring-up signal occurs, the system activates and can be remotely accessed. You may enable this function in BIOS's Power Management Setup menu. (See section 3.5)

Blinking LED in Suspend Mode

While in Suspend mode, the LED light on the front panel of your computer will flash. Suspend mode is entered by pressing the Green Override Power Button on your ATX case, or enabling the Power Management and Suspend Mode options in BIOS's Power Management menu. (See section 3.5)

Poly-fuse Over Current Protection

The poly-fuse protects the system from dangerous voltages that the system might be exposed to via keyboard or USB connector. In case of such exposure, the poly-fuse will immediately be disconnected from the circuit just like a normal fuse. After being disconnected for a certain period of time, the poly-fuse will return to its

normal state and the keyboard or USB connector can function properly again. Unlike conventional fuses, the poly-fuse does not have to be replaced, relieving users from such inconveniences.

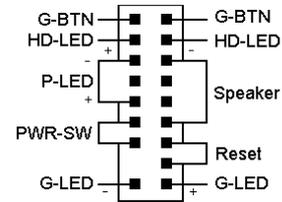
CN1A (Front Panel Connector)

1. PWR-SW (Over-ride Power Button Connector)

The power button on the ATX chassis can be used as a normal power switch as well as a device to activate Advanced Power Management Suspend mode. This mode is used for saving electricity when the computer is not in use for long periods of time.

The Soft-OFF by PWR-BTTN function in BIOS's Power Management Setup menu must be set to [**Delay 4 Sec.**] to activate this function.

When the Soft-OFF by PWR-BTTN function is enabled, pushing the power button rapidly will switch the system to Suspend mode. Any occurrence of external activities such as pressing a key on the keyboard or moving the mouse will bring the system back to Full-On. Pushing the button while in Full-On mode for more than [**4 seconds**] will switch the system completely off. See Over-ride Power Button Operation diagram.



2. P-LED (Power LED Connector)

The power indicator LED shows the system's power status. It is important to pay attention to the correct cables and pin orientation (i.e. Be careful not to reverse the order of these two connectors.)

3. G-BTN/G-LED (Green Button Switch/LED Connector)

Some ATX cases provide a Green button switch, which is used to put the system in Suspend mode. In Suspend mode, the power supply to the system is reduced to a trickle, the CPU clock is stopped, and the CPU core is in its minimum power state. The system is activated whenever the keyboard or mouse is touched. The system resumes in various ways as defined by Power Management Setup screen in BIOS.

4. RESET (System Reset Switch Connector)

This connector should be connected to the reset switch on the front panel of the system case. The reset switch allows you to restart the system without turning the power off.

5. SPEAKER (Speaker Connector)

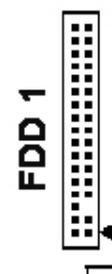
This 4-pin connector connects to the case-mounted speaker.

6. HD-LED (IDE Activity LED Connector)

The IDE activity LED lights up whenever the system reads/writes to the IDE devices.

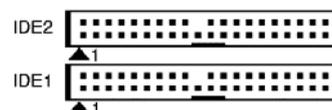
FDD1 (Floppy Connector)

The motherboard provides a standard floppy disk drive connector that supports 360K, 720K, 1.2M, 1.44M and 2.88M floppy disk types. A Floppy disk drive of 34 pins is connected using this connector.



IDE 1/2 (IDE Hard-Disk Connector)

The motherboard has a 32-bit Enhanced PCI IDE and Ultra ATA66/100/133 controller that provides PIO mode 0~4, Bus Master, and Ultra ATA66/100/133 function. This connector is used for connecting 40 pins of ATAPI devices.



IDE 1 only connects two IDE devices. (**Primary** Master/Slave)

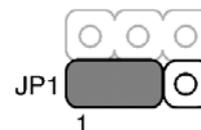
IDE 2 only connects two IDE devices. (**Secondary** Master/Slave)

JP1 (CMOS Clear Jumper)

There is a CMOS RAM on board that has a power supply from external battery to keep the data and system configuration. To clear the contents of the CMOS, please follow the steps below.

Pin	Definition
1-2	Normal (default)
2-3	Clear CMOS Data

1. Disconnect the system power supply from the power source.
2. Set the jumper cap at location [2-3] for <5 seconds>, and then set it back to the default position.
3. Connect the system's power and then start the system.
4. Enter BIOS's CMOS Setup Utility and choose Load Optimized Defaults. Type [Y] and then press [Enter] to continue.
5. Set the system configuration in the Standard CMOS Setup menu.



JP6 (Enable/Disable USB 0/1 Device Wake-Up Jumper)

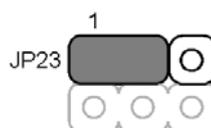
An USB keyboard hot key or an USB mouse-click can activate this board. To use this function, select a hot key of your choice at the USB Resume from S3 option under Wake Up Events in the BIOS's Power On Management screen. You must also set this jumper's cap to pins 2-3 to use this function.

Pin	Definition
1-2	Disable (default)
2-3	Enable



JP23 (Green LED Mode Jumper)

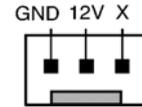
This cap is to setup Green LED flash mode. (Optional)



Pin	Definition
1-2	Normal (default)
2-3	Reserve

FAN1/FAN2 (CPU/System/Case Cooling Fan Connectors)

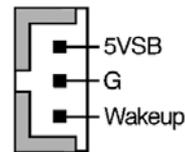
The board's management hardware is able to detect the CPU and system fan speed in rpm (revolutions per minute). The wiring and plugging may vary depending on the manufacturer. On standard fans, the red is positive (+12V), the black is ground, and the yellow wire is the rotation signal.

**CN2/CN2A (CD-ROM Audio-in Connector)**

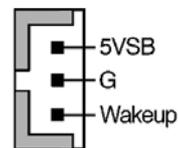
Use the audio cable enclosed with your CD-ROM disk drive to connect the CD-ROM to your motherboard. This will enable your CD-ROM's audio function.

**CN5 [WOL (Wake-on-LAN) Connector]**

Enable the Wake Up On LAN selection in BIOS's Power Management Menu to use this function. The capability to remotely manage PCs on a network is a significant factor in reducing administrative and ownership costs. Magic Packet technology is designed with WOL function to LAN controllers. This header is used to connect an add-in NIC (Network Interface Card) that provides WOL capability to the motherboard.

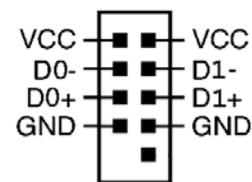
**CN5A [WOM (Wake-on-Modem) Connector]**

Enable the Wake Up On Modem selection in BIOS's Power Management Menu to activate this function. This header is used to connect an add-in modem card, which gives WOM capability to the motherboard.

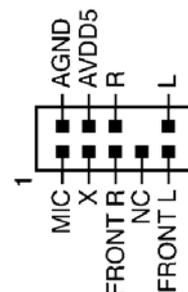
**CN23/CN23A (Front USB Connector for USB 2/3 and 4/5)**

USB Port 2/3 → CN23, USB Port 4/5 → CN23A

If you want to use a USB Keyboard, you must enable the USB keyboard support function in BIOS's Integrated Peripherals menu (See Section 3.4). This board contains a USB Host controller and a root hub with two connectors is included for optional USB Adaptors (USB 2/3 and 4/5).

**CN24 (Front Audio Connector)**

This connector give you the option of a front panel audio jack cable ext. to be plug into a special custom-designed system case. Simply remove the two jumper caps at pin [5-6] and [9-10] then plug it into the (optional) cable ext. connector. Pin [5-6] and [9-10] are shorted (default) to enable the back-panel audio function.



Chapter 3 BIOS Setup Program

Phoenix-Award BIOS ROM has a built-in setup program that allows users to modify the basic system configuration. This information is stored in CMOS RAM so that it can retain the setup information, even when the power is turned off.

To enter the **Phoenix-Award BIOS** setup program press [**Delete**] when you **Power on** or **reboot** the computer system. The primary screen as shown in Figure 3-1 is a list of the menus and functions available in the setup program. Select the desired item by your arrow keys and press enter to make the changes. Operating commands are located at the bottom of this and all other BIOS screens. When a field is highlighted, on-line help information is displayed on the right side of the screen.



Figure 3-1

3-1 Standard CMOS Setup

The Standard CMOS Setup allows users to configure system components such as hard-disk drive, floppy-disk drive and video display as well as date, time and boot-up error signaling. This configuration menu should be changed when installing a motherboard for the first time, changing hardware in your system such as the HDD, FDD, video display, or when the CMOS data has been lost or corrupted. Choose the Standard CMOS Setup option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1) to display the following screen.

Date/Time

Set the date and time of the system. Do not skip this function as all of your timed events such as power management, saving files, etc are based on this timer.

IDE (Primary/Secondary; Master/Slave)

This category identifies up to four IDE hard disk drives that have been installed in the computer. This section does not show information on other IDE devices such as

CD-ROM drives or other hard drive type such as SCSI drives.

Drive A/B

Select different Floppy device Model. Available options are [None], [360K, 5-1/4 in], [1.2M, 5-1/4 in], [720k, 3-1/2 in], [1.44M, 3-1/2 in], and [2.88M, 3-1/2 in].

Video

Select the type of video adapter present in your system. You can ignore this setting if you are using a VGA monitor; VGA BIOS will automatically configure this setting.

Halt On

When the system is powered on, BIOS performs a series of diagnostic tests called POST (Power On Self Test). This function stops the computer if BIOS detects a hardware error. You can tell BIOS to halt on all errors, no errors, or not to halt on specific errors.

3-2 Advanced BIOS Features

By choosing the Advanced BIOS Features option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1), the screen below is displayed. This sample screen contains the manufacturer's default values for the motherboard.

Virus Warning

When you set as enabled, you receive a warning message if a program (specifically, a virus) attempts to write to the boot sector or the partition table of the hard-disk drive.



Many disk diagnostic programs that access the boot sector table can trigger the virus-warning message. If you plan to run such a program, we recommend that you first disable the virus warning.

CPU L1 & L2 Cache

Cache memory is much faster than conventional DRAM system memory. These fields allow you to enable or disable the CPUs Level 1 built-in cache and Level 2 external cache. Both settings are left enabled to significantly increase the performance of your computer.

CPU L2 Cache ECC Checking

Enable this function for the CPU L2 Cache Error Checking and Correcting (ECC) operation.

Quick Power On Self Test (POST)

Enable this function to reduce the amount of time required to run the POST (Power On Self Test). BIOS will save time by skipping some items during POST. It is recommended that you disable this setting. Discovering a problem during boot up is better than losing data during your work.

First/Second/Third/Boot Other Device

This option sets the sequence of drives BIOS attempts to boot from after POST completes. BIOS will search these drives for an operating system.

Swap Floppy Drive

Enabling this function will swap the floppy drive assignment so that drive A will function as drive B, and drive B will function as drive A. Note that the boot sequence assignment mentioned directly above does not include booting from floppy drive B. This function is useful if floppy drives B and A are of a different types of drives and you want to boot from floppy drive B.

Boot up Floppy Seek

This is a set up check for floppy power-on after starting the computer system.

Boot Up NumLock Status

This function defines the keyboard's number pad as number keys or arrow keys. If it is set at on the number keys will be activated, if it is set at off the arrow keys will be activated.

Keyboard Interface

1. Typematic Rate Setting

When enabled, you can set the following two-typematic control items. When disabled, the keyboard controller determines keystrokes arbitrarily in your system.

2. Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec)

The typematic rate sets the rate at which characters on the screen repeat when a key is pressed and held down.

3. Typematic Delay (Msec)

The typematic delay sets how long after you press a key that a character begins repeating.

Security Option

The Supervisor and/or User Password functions shown in Figure 3-1 must be set to take advantage of this function. See Section 3.11 for password setting information. When the Security Option is set to System, a password must be entered to boot the system or enter the BIOS setup program. When the Security Option is set to Setup, a password is required to enter the BIOS setup program.

APIC Mode

In order to comply with PC2001 standard, the system is designed to run in APIC (**Advanced Programmable Interrupt Controller**) mode. Enabling APIC mode

will increase the available IRQs resources for the system. Available options are [Enabled] and [Disabled].

MPS Version Control For OS

This item allows you to select which MPS (**Multi-Processor Specification**) version to be used for the operating system. You need to select the MPS version that is supported by your operating system. To find out which version to use, consult the vendor of your operating system. Available options are [1.4] and [1.1].

OS Select For DRAM > 64MB

If your system's DRAM is larger than 64MB and you are running OS/2, select OS/2 as the item value. Otherwise, set the item value to Non-OS/2 for all other operating systems.

Video BIOS Shadow

Enabling this function will allow the BIOS setting of the VGA card to be recorded into RAM for better performances.

Small Logo (EPA) Show

This setup allows photo that is EPA. Logo.

Show POST CODE

Enabling this function can show POST error code on the screen before proceeding to system's operating system.

3-3 Advanced Chipset Features

By choosing the [Advanced Chipset Features] option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1), the screen below is displayed. This sample screen contains the manufacturer's default values for the motherboard.



All of the above settings have been determined by the motherboard manufacturer and should not be changed unless you are absolutely sure of what you are doing. Explanations of the DRAM timing and chipset features setup are lengthy, highly technical and beyond the scope of this manual. Below are some brief descriptions of the functions in the setup menu.

DRAM Clock/Drive Control

1. DRAM Clock

This selecting option allows you to control the DRAM speed.

2. DRAM Timing

The function allows you to enable or disable DRAM timing. When set to [Manual], you can select the DRAM CAS Latency, Bank Interleave,

Precharge to Active (Trp), Active to Precharge (Tras), Active to CMD (Trcd), DRAM Command Rate, DRAM Burst Len, and Write Recovery Time configuration. It is recommended to keep the default setting for stable system operation.

3. DRAM Command Rate

Please leave the default setting at **[2T command]** for a stable system operation.

Available options: [2T command], [1T command].

4. DRAM Burst Len

It is recommended to keep the default setting **[4]** for a stable system operation.

Available options: [4], [8].

5. Write Recovery Time

Please leave the default setting at **[3T]** for a stable system operation.

Available options: [2T], [3T].

6. twTR for DDR 400 only

Please leave the default setting at **[3T]** for a stable system operation.

Available options: [1T], [3T].

AGP & P2P Bridge Control

1. AGP Aperture Size

This function determines the amount of system memory that is given to the AGP card. Available options range from 4MB to 256MB. This is a dynamic memory allocation in that the AGP card will only use the amount of memory that it needs. The remaining memory not in use will be available for the system to use. For example, if 16MB is allocated to the AGP card and the card only needs 8MB, the remaining 8MB will be available for system use.

2. AGP Mode

Enable this setting to utilize the 4X mode (twice as fast as 2X) offered by advanced AGP cards. Your VGA card must support 4X mode in order to take advantage of the faster speed.

3. AGP Driving Control/Value

The **[Manual]** setting allows you to manually select the AGP driving value. However, it is recommended that you keep the default setting **[Auto]** to allow the system to automatically determine the appropriate AGP driving value.

4. AGP Fast Write

Select **[Enabled]** to allow Fast Write Protocol for 8X/4X AGP to function.

5. AGP Master 1 WS Write/Read

It is recommended to keep the default settings for stable system operation.

6. AGP 3.0 Calibration Cycle

Available options: [disabled], [enabled].

CPU & PCI Bus Control

1. PCI Master 0 WS Write

When Enabled, writes to PCI bus are executed with zero wait states.

2. PCI Delay Transaction

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

3. VLink 8X Support

Enable this setting to utilize the 8X mode (twice as fast as 4X) offered by advanced AGP cards. Your VGA card must support 8X mode in order to take advantage of the faster speed.

4. Delay Prior to Thermal

Available options are 4, 8, 16 and 32 min.

Memory Hole

Enabling this function will reserve the memory address space between 15MB and 16MB for ISA expansion cards. However, it will also result in not allowing the system to have access to memory above 16MB. Please note that some expansion cards require this setting to be enabled. The default setting is Disabled. If Auto Configuration is enabled, you must set the DRAM timing function to 60ns or 70ns, depending on the type of DRAM you install.

System BIOS Cacheable

Enabling this function allows caching of the system BIOS ROM at F0000h-FFFFFh, which results in better system performance. However, if any program writes to this memory area, a system error may result. It is advised to leave this setting. Caching the system BIOS results in better performance than shadowing the system BIOS.

Init Display First

This function allows users to choose AGP or PCI slots to initialize monitor display.

Flash BIOS Protection

The motherboard manufacturer developed BIOS protection technology that prevents the System BIOS from accidental corruption by unauthorized users or computer viruses. When Enabled, the BIOS data cannot be changed when attempting to update BIOS via FLASH utility and vice versa.

3-4 Integrated Peripherals

This section provides information on setting peripheral devices. By choosing the Integrated Peripherals option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1), the screen below is displayed. This sample screen contains the manufacturer's default values for the motherboard.

VIA OnChip IDE Device

Press [**Enter**] to enter the sub-menu, which contains the following items for some advanced controls:

1. OnChip IDE Channel 0/1

You can set this to disable the OnChip IDE controller if you are going to add a higher performance IDE board

2. IDE Prefetch Mode

Enabling this function will enhance the system efficiency.

3. Primary/Secondary Master/Slave PIO

The four IDE PIO (programmed Input/Output) fields let you set a PIO mode (0-4) for each IDE device that the internal PCI IDE interface supports.

Modes 0 through 4 provide successively increased performance. In Auto mode, the system automatically determines the best mode for each device.

4. Primary/Secondary Master/Slave UDMA

Ultra DMA implementation is possible only if your IDE device supports it and your operating environment contains a DMA driver. If both your hard drive and software support Ultra DMA, select [**Auto**] to enable BIOS support.

5. IDD HDD Block Mode

Block mode is also called block transfer, multiple commands, or multiple sector read/write. If your IDE hard drive supports block mode, select Enabled to auto-detect the optimal number of block read/writes per sector.

VIA OnChip PCI Device

This section provides information for setting the onboard devices. By choosing the Integrated Peripherals option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1), the screen below is displayed. This sample screen contains the manufacturer's default values for the motherboard

Press [**Enter**] to enter the sub-menu, which contains the following items for advanced control:

1. VIA AC97 Audio

This feature allows you to enable/disable the onboard AC97 audio function.

Super IO Device

This section provides information on setting Super I/O devices. By choosing the

Integrated Peripherals option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1), the screen below is displayed. This sample screen contains the manufacturer's default values for the motherboard.

Press [**Enter**] to enter the sub-menu, which contains the following items for advanced control:

1. Onboard FDC Controller

Select Enabled if your system has a floppy disk controller (FDC) installed on the system board and you wish to use it. If you install an add-in FDC or the system has no floppy drive, select Disabled in this field.

2. Onboard Serial Port 1/2

Select an address and corresponding interrupt for the first and second serial ports. Available options are [**3F8/IRQ4**], [**2E8/IRQ3**], [**3E8/IRQ4**], [**2F8/IRQ3**], [**Disabled**], and [**Auto**].

3. UART Mode Select

This function allows you to select an operating mode for the second serial port. (Normal RS-232C serial port / IRDA / SCR / ASKIR 0.57-MB/sec infrared port)

4. UR2 Duplex Mode

Available options: [**Half**] and [**Full**].

5. Onboard Parallel Port

Select a logical LPT port address and corresponding interrupt for the physical parallel port.

6. Parallel Port Mode

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

7. ECP Mode Use DMA

This item automatically specifies a DMA channel **1** or **3** for the parallel port when it is set to [**EPP**] or [**ECP+EPP**] mode.

8. Game Port Address

This item disables or assigns the address of the Game port. Available options are [**Disable**], [**201**] and [**209**].

9. Midi Port Address

This item disables or assigns the address of the Midi port. Available options are [**Disable**], [**300**] and [**330**].

10. Midi Port IRQ

This item specifies an IRQ for the Midi port. Available options are [**5**] and [**10**].

OnChip USB Controller/OnChip EHCI Controller

Enable the on-board Universal Serial Bus (USB V1.1 or V2.0) controller if you want to connect a USB device to your system. Note that if this setting is disabled, you can still temporarily use a USB keyboard during boot up so that you can enter BIOS and enable this setting. If you pass the boot up stage without enabling this function, your PS/2 keyboard will no longer work.

USB Keyboard Support

Select Enabled if your system has a USB keyboard installed on the system board. If your system has no USB keyboard, select Disabled in this field.

Onboard Lan Device

Select Enabled if your system uses an onboard Realtek Lan. If there is no onboard Realtek Lan, select Disabled in this field.

3-5 Power Management Setup

This section provides information on the Green PC power management functions. By choosing the Power Management Setup option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1), the screen below is displayed. This sample screen contains the manufacturer's default values for the motherboard.

NB Power Management

Power management saves electricity while the system is idle by entering power-saving modes.

ACPI Suspend Type

This feature allows user to select a suspend type for the operating system to turn off peripherals devices such as CD-ROM player when they are not in use.

Power Management Option

Power management saves electricity while the system is idle by entering power-saving modes.

HDD Power Down

It shuts down any IDE hard disk drives in the system after an idle period. This feature does not affect SCSI hard drives.

Suspend Mode

The Power Management function must not be set to disabled to enable this function. If the system runs in Standby mode and the Suspend timer expires, all devices regulated by power management will shut down and the CPU speed will be 0 MHz.

Video Off Option

This setting allows you to select the power-saving modes during which the monitor goes blank.

Video Off Method

This function serves as both a screen saver and power saver for monitors. See the next function, Video Off After, for setting the video timer.

- 1. Blank** - BIOS will change the monitor screen to blank. The electricity saved in this mode is negligible and this function is only used as a screen saver to prevent screen damage while the screen is idle.
- 2. V/H SYNC+Blank** - The system turns off the vertical and horizontal synchronization ports, writes blanks to the VGA buffer and the monitor's electron gun turns off. This function requires a monitor with Green features in order to take advantage of the power saving function. If you enable this function and do not have a Green monitor, the result will be the same as if you had selected Blank. This function serves as both a screen saver and a power saver.
- 3. DPMS Supported** - Select this option if your video card supports the Display Power Management Signaling (DPMS) standard (i.e., you have a monitor that supports Green features). Use software supplied by your video subsystem to set video power management options.

Modem Use IRQ

If your computer has a built-in modem use this function to inform BIOS the IRQ value occupied by the modem card. When the system is in Green mode, the modem requires an IRQ assignment to activate the system and perform tasks. This assignment is compliant with the APM 1.2 compliant operating systems.

Soft-Off by PWRBTN

When set to Delay 4 Sec., this function allows the power button to put the system in Suspend, a power saving mode. When set to Instant-Off the Soft-Off by PWR-BTN function is disabled and the computer turns completely off when the power button is pressed.

Run VGABIOS if S3 Resume

The available options are [Auto], [Yes] and [No].

Ac Loss Auto Restart

Available options: [Auto], [On], [Off]. Please leave the default setting [Off] for a stable system operation.

IRQ/Event Activity Detect

1. PS/2KB Wakeup Select

When enabled, a PS/2 keyboard hot key can turn on the system.

2. PS/2KB Wakeup from S3/S4/S5

This function allows the keyboard to activate the system from S3/S4/S5 power saving modes. Available options: [Disabled], [Ctrl+F1] to [Ctrl+F12], [Power], [Wake], [Any Key].

3. Power Button Lock

The Power button Lock option is disabled when PS/2KB Wakeup from S3/S4/S5 is set to Disabled. Available options: [Disabled], [Enabled].

4. USB Resume from S3

When enabled, the system is able to resume from S3 mode by a USB keyboard hot key or mouse click.

5. VGA

VGA function is activated when option [On] is selected. Available options: [On], [Off].

6. LPT & COM

Both LPT and COM ports are activated when [LPT/COM] is selected. Available options: [None], [LPT], [COM], [LPT/COM].

7. HDD & FDD

Both HDD and FDD are activated when it is set to [On]. Available options: [On], [Off].

8. PCI Master

This options control the activation of PCI slots. Available options: [On], [Off].

9. PowerOn by PCI Card

When enabled, a PCI interface that receives a signal will activate the system from soft off and green mode.

10. Wake Up On by LAN/Ring

When enabled, a LAN/Modem that receives a signal will activate the system from soft off and green mode. You should connect the modem to the COM port and turn on the resume event in green mode.

11. RTC Alarm Resume

When enabled, this setting allows the system to turn back on at a designated time of the month. User must designate date of month and time of day.

12. IRQs Activity Monitoring

This feature allows you to monitor a list of IRQ, Interrupt ReQuests. When an I/O device wants to gain the attention of the operating system, it signals this by causing an IRQ to occur. When the operating system is ready to respond to the request, it interrupts itself and performs the service.

3-6 PNP/PCI Configurations

This section provides IRQ and DMA setting information. By choosing the PNP/PCI Configuration option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1), the screen below is displayed. This screen contains the manufacturer's default values for the motherboard.

PNP OS Installed

If you want to install a PNP compatible OS (such as Windows 95) set to Yes.

Reset Configuration Data

If you want to reset CMOS IRQ divide hardware device, please select [**Enabled**].

Resources Controlled By

When set to Manual the system BIOS will not refer to the ESCD for IRQ & DMA information. Instead, it will refer to the items in the setup menu for assigning IRQ & DMA. When set to Auto the system BIOS will refer to the ESCD for all legacy information. ESCD (**Extended System Configuration Data**) provides a detailed format of the configuration data structures stored in flash memory. Each data structure defines the resources used by a device or a card in the system. This includes legacy and PCI/ISA PnP devices.

PCI/VGA Palette Snoop

When set to [**Enabled**], multiple VGA devices operating on different buses can handle data from the CPU to each set of palette registers on every video device. Bit 5 of the command register in the PCI device configuration space is the VGA Palette Snoop bit (0 is disabled). Available options are [**Enabled**] and [**Disabled**].

Assign IRQ For VGA/USB

Available options: [**Enabled**] and [**Disabled**].

FDD IRQ Can Be Free

This function allows user to choose if the FDD IRQ can be freed up. The default setting is [**Yes**] and this does not allow the IRQ to be free.

3-7 Frequency/Voltage Control

By choosing the Frequency/Voltage Control option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1), the screen below is displayed. This sample screen contains the manufacturer's default values for the motherboard.

Auto Detect PCI/DIMM Clk

Enabling this function will auto-detect PCI/DIMM clock.

Spread Spectrum

Available options: [**Enabled**] and [**Disabled**].

CPU Clock

It is recommended to keep the default setting for a stable system operation.

Overclocking:



This motherboard is designed to support overclocking. However, please make sure your peripherals are able to tolerate such abnormal setting, while CPU clock speed is overclocked. Any attempt to operate beyond product specifications is not recommended. We are not responsible for damages caused by inadequate operation or settings beyond product specifications.

3-8 Load Fail-Safe Defaults

Load Fail-Safe Defaults loads the default BIOS values directly from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1). If user-defined BIOS settings are corrupted and therefore unusable, these defaults will be loaded automatically when you turn on the computer.

3-9 Load Optimized Defaults

Load Optimized Defaults loads the default system values directly from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1). If user-defined BIOS settings are corrupted and therefore unusable, these defaults will be loaded automatically when you turn on the computer.

3-10 Supervisor Password & User Password Setting

There are four different variables that control password settings. The first two are located under the Security Option function in CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1). When the Security Option function is set to **Setup**, a password is required to enter BIOS and change BIOS settings. When the Security Option function is set to **System**, a password is required to enter both BIOS and the computer's operating system (for example Windows 98) found on the boot drive.

The third and fourth variables are user password and supervisor password selected in BIOS (Figure 3-1). The main purpose of separating user and supervisor is to allow only the supervisor to have control over the settings in BIOS. The user, on the other hand, is only allowed to access the computer's operating system and change the user password in BIOS.



When there is no supervisor password set, the user password controls access to all BIOS settings.

3-11 Save and Exit Setup

If you select this and type **[Y]** (for Yes) followed by the **[Enter]** key, the values entered in the setup utilities will be recorded in the CMOS memory of the BIOS chip.

3-12 Exit Without Saving

Selecting this option and pressing **Y** followed by the **[Enter]** key lets you exit the Setup program without recording any new values or changing old ones.

Chapter 4 DRIVER Setup

Insert the support CD that come with your motherboard into your CD-ROM driver or double-click the CD drive icon in [My computer] to open the setup screen.

4-1 VIA Service Pack Setup

1. Click [VIA Service Pack]
2. Click [Next >] to start software installation.
3. Click [Yes] to accept the license agreement.
4. Please select [Next >] to continue.
5. Please select [Next >] to continue.
6. Please select [Next >] to continue installing VIA PCI IDE Bus Driver.
7. Please select [Next >] to continue installing AGP Driver.
8. Please select [OK] to restart your computer.

4-2 Audio Driver Setup

1. Click [Audio Driver].
2. Click [Next >] to start software installation.
3. Click [Next >] to continue.
4. Click [Finish] to complete setup.

4-3 LAN Driver Setup

1. Click [LAN Driver].
2. Click [OK] to complete setup.

4-4 USB 2.0 Driver

1. Click [USB 2.0 Driver].
2. Click [Next >] to start software installation.
3. Please click [Next >] to continue.
4. Please click [Yes] to accept the license agreement.
5. Please click [OK] to continue.
6. Please click [Print to File] to continue.
7. Please click [OK] to continue.
8. Click [Finish] to complete setup.

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