# GA-P55-S3

LGA1156 socket motherboard for Intel<sup>®</sup> Core<sup>™</sup> i7 processors/ Intel<sup>®</sup> Core<sup>™</sup> i5 processors/Intel<sup>®</sup> Core<sup>™</sup> i3 processors/ Intel<sup>®</sup> Pentium<sup>®</sup> processors

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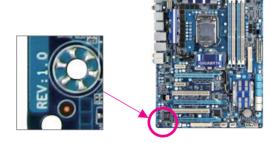
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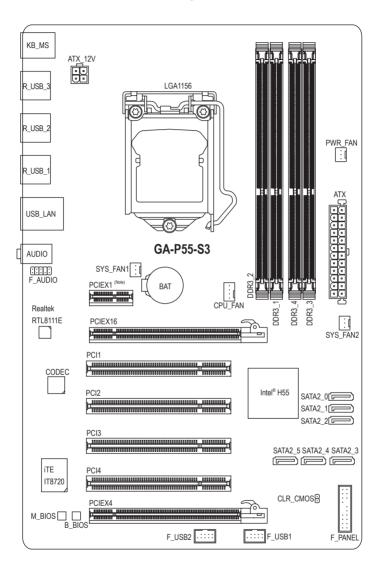
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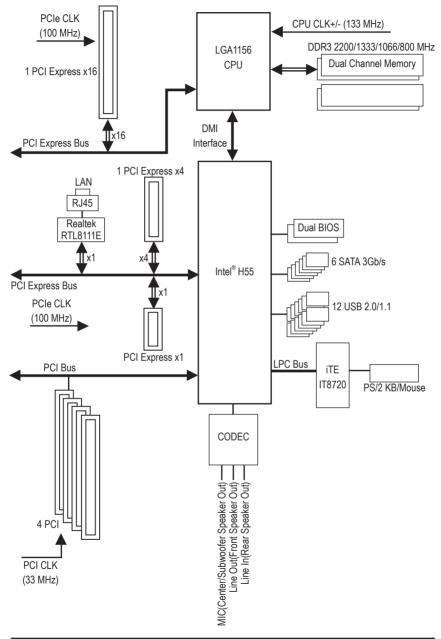
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GA-P55-S3 motherboard			
Motherboard driver disk			
✓ User's Manual			
Quick Installation Guide			
✓ Two SATA cables	C.		
☑ I/O Shield			
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Optional Items			
2-port USB 2.0 bracket (Part No. 12CR1-1UB030-5*	°R)		
2-port SATA power cable (Part No. 12CF1-2SERPW)	/-0*R)		

### GA-P55-S3 Motherboard Layout



(Note) Due to a hardware limitation, the PCIEX1 slot can only accommodate a shorter PCI Express x1 expansion card. For a longer expansion card, use other expansion slots.

### GA-P55-S3 Motherboard Block Diagram



# Chapter 1 Hardware Installation

### **1-1** Installation Precautions

The motherboard contains numerous delicate electronic circuits and components which can become damaged as a result of electrostatic discharge (ESD). Prior to installation, carefully read the user's manual and follow these procedures:

- Prior to installation, do not remove or break motherboard S/N (Serial Number) sticker or warranty sticker provided by your dealer. These stickers are required for warranty validation.
- Always remove the AC power by unplugging the power cord from the power outlet before installing or removing the motherboard or other hardware components.
- When connecting hardware components to the internal connectors on the motherboard, make sure they are connected tightly and securely.
- When handling the motherboard, avoid touching any metal leads or connectors.
- It is best to wear an electrostatic discharge (ESD) wrist strap when handling electronic components such as a motherboard, CPU or memory. If you do not have an ESD wrist strap, keep your hands dry and first touch a metal object to eliminate static electricity.
- Prior to installing the motherboard, please have it on top of an antistatic pad or within an electrostatic shielding container.
- Before unplugging the power supply cable from the motherboard, make sure the power supply has been turned off.
- Before turning on the power, make sure the power supply voltage has been set according to the local voltage standard.
- Before using the product, please verify that all cables and power connectors of your hardware components are connected.
- To prevent damage to the motherboard, do not allow screws to come in contact with the motherboard circuit or its components.
- Make sure there are no leftover screws or metal components placed on the motherboard or within the computer casing.
- Do not place the computer system on an uneven surface.
- Do not place the computer system in a high-temperature environment.
- Turning on the computer power during the installation process can lead to damage to system components as well as physical harm to the user.
- If you are uncertain about any installation steps or have a problem related to the use of the product, please consult a certified computer technician.

# 1-2 Product Specifications

CPU	<ul> <li>Support for Intel<sup>®</sup> Core<sup>™</sup> i7 processors/Intel<sup>®</sup> Core<sup>™</sup> i5 processors/ Intel<sup>®</sup> Core<sup>™</sup> i3 processors/Intel<sup>®</sup> Pentium<sup>®</sup> processors in the LGA1156 package (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest CPU support list.)</li> <li>L3 cache varies with CPU</li> </ul>
Chipset	Intel® H55 Express Chipset
Memory	<ul> <li>4 x 1.5V DDR3 DIMM sockets supporting up to 16 GB of system memory (Note 1)</li> <li>Dual channel memory architecture</li> <li>Support for DDR3 2200/1333/1066/800 MHz memory modules</li> <li>Support for non-ECC memory modules</li> <li>Support for Extreme Memory Profile (XMP) memory modules (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest supported memory speeds and memory modules.)</li> </ul>
Audio	<ul> <li>Realtek ALC888B codec</li> <li>High Definition Audio</li> <li>2/4/5.1/7.1-channel</li> </ul>
	• 1 x Realtek RTL8111E chip (10/100/1000 Mbit)
Expansion Slots	<ul> <li>1 x PCI Express x16 slot, running at x16 (PCIEX16) (Note 2) (The PCIEX16 slot conforms to PCI Express 2.0 standard.)</li> <li>1 x PCI Express x16 slot, running at x4 (PCIEX4)</li> <li>1 x PCI Express x1 slot</li> <li>4 x PCI slots</li> </ul>
Multi-Graphics Technology	<ul> <li>Support for ATI CrossFireX<sup>™</sup> technology <sup>(Note 3)</sup></li> </ul>
Storage Interface	Chipset:     G x SATA 3Gb/s connectors supporting up to 6 SATA 3Gb/s devices
USB USB	<ul> <li>Chipset:</li> <li>Up to 12 USB 2.0/1.1 ports (8 on the back panel, 4 via the USB brackets connected to the internal USB headers)</li> </ul>
Internal	1 x 24-pin ATX main power connector
Connectors	1 x 4-pin ATX 12V power connector
	6 x SATA 3Gb/s connectors
	1 x CPU fan header
	2 x system fan headers
	1 x power fan header
	1 x front panel header
	1 x front panel audio header
	2 x USB 2.0/1.1 headers
	1 x clearing CMOS jumper

Back Panel •	1 x PS/2 keyboard port
Connectors •	1 x PS/2 mouse port
•	8 x USB 2.0/1.1 ports
•	1 x RJ-45 port
•	3 x audio jacks (Line In/Line Out/Microphone)
I/O Controller •	iTE IT8720 chip
Hardware Monitor •	System voltage detection
•	CPU/System temperature detection
•	CPU/System/Power fan speed detection
•	CPU overheating warning
+	CPU/System/Power fan fail warning
•	CPU fan speed control (Note 4)
BIOS •	2 x 8 Mbit flash
•	Use of licensed AWARD BIOS
•	Support for DualBIOS <sup>™</sup>
•	PnP 1.0a, DMI 2.0, SM BIOS 2.4, ACPI 1.0b
Unique Features •	Support for @BIOS
·	Support for Q-Flash
•	Support for Xpress BIOS Rescue
•	Support for Download Center
+	Support for Xpress Install
•	Support for Xpress Recovery2
•	Support for EasyTune (Note 5)
•	Support for Auto Green
•	Support for ON/OFF Charge
•	Support for Q-Share
Bundled Software •	Norton Internet Security (OEM version)
Operating System •	Support for Microsoft® Windows® 7/Vista/XP
Form Factor •	ATX Form Factor; 30.5cm x 19cm

- (Note 1) Due to Windows 32-bit operating system limitation, when more than 4 GB of physical memory is installed, the actual memory size displayed will be less than 4 GB.
- (Note 2) For optimum performance, if only one PCI Express graphics card is to be installed, be sure to install it in the PCIEX16 slot.
- (Note 3) The PCIEX16 slot operates at up to x4 mode when ATI CrossFireX is enabled.
- (Note 4) Whether the CPU fan speed control function is supported will depend on the CPU cooler you install.
- (Note 5) Available functions in EasyTune may differ by motherboard model.

### 1-3 Installing the CPU and CPU Cooler

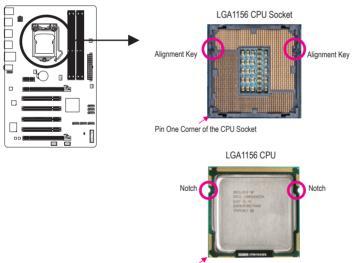


Read the following guidelines before you begin to install the CPU:

- Make sure that the motherboard supports the CPU.
   (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest CPU support list.)
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing the CPU to prevent hardware damage.
- Locate the pin one of the CPU. The CPU cannot be inserted if oriented incorrectly. (Or you may locate the notches on both sides of the CPU and alignment keys on the CPU socket.)
- Apply an even and thin layer of thermal grease on the surface of the CPU.
- Do not turn on the computer if the CPU cooler is not installed, otherwise overheating and damage of the CPU may occur.
- Set the CPU host frequency in accordance with the CPU specifications. It is not recommended
  that the system bus frequency be set beyond hardware specifications since it does not meet the
  standard requirements for the peripherals. If you wish to set the frequency beyond the standard
  specifications, please do so according to your hardware specifications including the CPU, graphics card, memory, hard drive, etc.

### 1-3-1 Installing the CPU

A. Locate the alignment keys on the motherboard CPU socket and the notches on the CPU.



Triangle Pin One Marking on the CPU

B. Follow the steps below to correctly install the CPU into the motherboard CPU socket.

Before installing the CPU, make sure to turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the CPU.



Step 1:

Gently press the CPU socket lever handle down and away from the socket with your finger. Then completely lift the CPU socket lever and the metal load plate will be lifted as well.



### Step 3:

Hold the CPU with your thumb and index fingers. Align the CPU pin one marking (triangle) with the pin one corner of the CPU socket (or you may align the CPU notches with the socket alignment keys) and gently insert the CPU into position.



Step 5: Push the CPU socket lever back into its locked position.



Step 2:

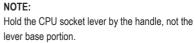
Remove the CPU socket cover as shown. Hold your index finger down on the rear side of the socket cover and use your thumb to lift up the front edge (next to the "REMOVE" mark) of the socket cover and remove it. (DO NOT touch socket contacts. To protect the CPU socket, always replace the protective socket cover when the CPU is not installed.)





Once the CPU is properly inserted, use one hand to hold the socket lever and use the other to lightly replace the load plate. When replacing the load plate, make sure the front end of the load plate is under the shoulder screw.





### 1-3-2 Installing the CPU Cooler

Follow the steps below to correctly install the CPU cooler on the motherboard. (The following procedure uses Intel<sup>®</sup> boxed cooler as the example cooler.)



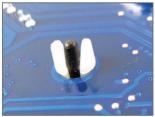
#### Step 1:

Apply an even and thin layer of thermal grease on the surface of the installed CPU.



#### Step 3:

Place the cooler atop the CPU, aligning the four push pins through the pin holes on the motherboard. Push down on the push pins diagonally.



#### Step 5:

After the installation, check the back of the motherboard. If the push pin is inserted as the picture above shows, the installation is complete.



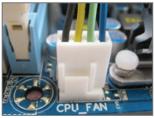
Step 2:

Before installing the cooler, note the direction of the arrow sign  $\frown$  on the male push pin. (Turning the push pin along the direction of arrow is to remove the cooler, on the contrary, is to install.)





You should hear a "click" when pushing down each push pin. Check that the Male and Female push pins are joined closely. (Refer to your CPU cooler installation manual for instructions on installing the cooler.)





Finally, attach the power connector of the CPU cooler to the CPU fan header (CPU\_FAN) on the motherboard.



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

### 1-4 Installing the Memory



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

 Make sure that the motherboard supports the memory. It is recommended that memory of the same capacity, brand, speed, and chips be used.

(Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest supported memory speeds and memory modules.)

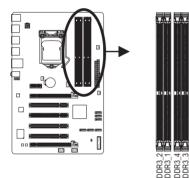
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing the memory to prevent hardware damage.
- Memory modules have a foolproof design. A memory module can be installed in only one direction. If you are unable to insert the memory, switch the direction.

### 1-4-1 Dual Channel Memory Configuration

This motherboard provides four DDR3 memory sockets and supports Dual Channel Technology. After the memory is installed, the BIOS will automatically detect the specifications and capacity of the memory. Enabling Dual Channel memory mode will double the original memory bandwidth.

The four DDR3 memory sockets are divided into two channels and each channel has two memory sockets as following:

Channel 0: DDR3\_1, DDR3\_2 Channel 1: DDR3\_3, DDR3\_4



▶ Dual Channel Memory	Configurations Table
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	DDR3_2	DDR3_1	DDR3_4	DDR3_3	
Two Modules		DS/SS		DS/SS	
Four Modules	DS/SS	DS/SS	DS/SS	DS/SS	
(SS=Single-Sided D	S=Double-S	ided ""=N	lo Memory)		

If only one DDR3 memory module is installed, be sure to install it in the DDR3\_1 or DDR3\_3.

Due to CPU limitations, read the following guidelines before installing the memory in Dual Channel mode.

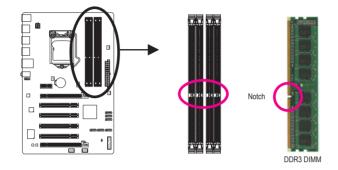
- 1. Dual Channel mode cannot be enabled if only one DDR3 memory module is installed.
- When enabling Dual Channel mode with two or four memory modules, it is recommended that memory of the same capacity, brand, speed, and chips be used for optimum performance. When enabling Dual Channel mode with two memory modules, be sure to install them in the DDR3\_1 and DDR3\_3 sockets.

### 1-4-2 Installing a Memory



Before installing a memory module, make sure to turn off the computer and unplug the power or from the power outlet to prevent damage to the memory module.

DDR3 and DDR2 DIMMs are not compatible to each other or DDR DIMMs. Be sure to install DDR3 DIMMs on this motherboard.



A DDR3 memory module has a notch, so it can only fit in one direction. Follow the steps below to correctly install your memory modules in the memory sockets.



### Step 1:

Note the orientation of the memory module. Spread the retaining clips at both ends of the memory socket. Place the memory module on the socket. As indicated in the picture on the left, place your fingers on the top edge of the memory, push down on the memory and insert it vertically into the memory socket.



#### Step 2:

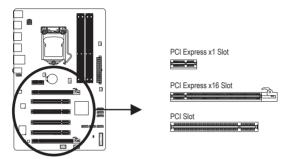
The clips at both ends of the socket will snap into place when the memory module is securely inserted.

### 1-5 Installing an Expansion Card



Read the following guidelines before you begin to install an expansion card:

- Make sure the motherboard supports the expansion card. Carefully read the manual that came with your expansion card.
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing an expansion card to prevent hardware damage.



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

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

Example: Installing and Removing a PCI Express Graphics Card:



• Installing a Graphics Card:

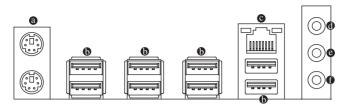
Gently push down on the top edge of the card until it is fully inserted into the PCI Express slot. Make sure the card is securely seated in the slot and does not rock.



Removing the Card:

Press the white latch at the end of the PCI Express slot to release the card and then pull the card straight up from the slot.

### 1-6 Back Panel Connectors



### PS/2 Keyboard and PS/2 Mouse Port

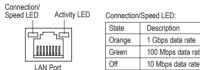
Use the upper port (green) to connect a PS/2 mouse and the lower port (purple) to connect a PS/2 keyboard.

### USB 2.0/1.1 Port

The USB port supports the USB 2.0/1.1 specification. Use this port for USB devices such as a USB keyboard/mouse, USB printer, USB flash drive and etc.

### RJ-45 LAN Port

The Gigabit Ethernet LAN port provides Internet connection at up to 1 Gbps data rate. The following describes the states of the LAN port LEDs.



	Activity LE	D:
	State	Description
	Blinking	Data transmission or receiving is occurring
te	Off	No data transmission or receiving is occurring

### Line In Jack (Blue)

The default line in jack. Use this audio jack for line in devices such as an optical drive, walkman, etc.

### Line Out Jack (Green)

The default line out jack. Use this audio jack for a headphone or 2-channel speaker. This jack can be used to connect front speakers in a 4/5.1/7.1-channel audio configuration.

### Mic In Jack (Pink)

The default Mic in jack. Microphones must be connected to this jack.

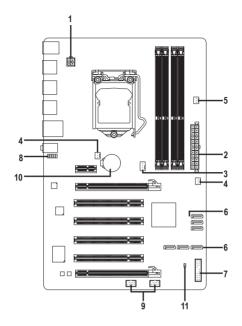


To configure 7.1-channel audio, you have to use an HD front panel audio module and enable the multi-channel audio feature through the audio driver. Refer to the instructions on setting up a 2/4/5.1/7.1-channel audio configuration in Chapter 5, "Configuring 2/4/5.1/7.1-Channel Audio."



- When removing the cable connected to a back panel connector, first remove the cable from your device and then remove it from the motherboard.
- When removing the cable, pull it straight out from the connector. Do not rock it side to side to
  prevent an electrical short inside the cable connector.

### 1-7 Internal Connectors



1)	ATX_12V	7)	F_PANEL	
2)	ATX	8)	F_AUDIO	
3)	CPU_FAN	9)	F_USB1/F_USB2	
4)	SYS_FAN1/2	10)	BAT	
5)	PWR_FAN	11)	CLR_CMOS	
6)	SATA2_0/1/2/3/4/5			
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Read the following guidelines before connecting external devices:

- · First make sure your devices are compliant with the connectors you wish to connect.
- Before installing the devices, be sure to turn off the devices and your computer. Unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the devices.
- After installing the device and before turning on the computer, make sure the device cable has been securely attached to the connector on the motherboard.

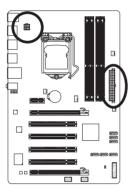
### 1/2) ATX\_12V/ATX (2x4 12V Power Connector and 2x12 Main Power Connector)

With the use of the power connector, the power supply can supply enough stable power to all the components on the motherboard. Before connecting the power connector, first make sure the power supply is turned off and all devices are properly installed. The power connector possesses a foolproof design. Connect the power supply cable to the power connector in the correct orientation. The 12V power connector mainly supplies power to the CPU. If the 12V power connector is not connected, the computer will not start.



• Use of a power supply providing a 2x4 12V power connector is recommended by the CPU manufacturer when using an Intel Extreme Edition CPU (130W).

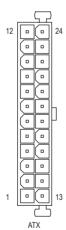
 To meet expansion requirements, it is recommended that a power supply that can withstand high power consumption be used (500W or greater). If a power supply is used that does not provide the required power, the result can lead to an unstable or unbootable system.





ATX_12V:	
Pin No	ſ

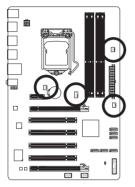
Definition
GND
GND
+12V
+12V



ATX:			
Pin No.	Definition	Pin No.	Definition
1	3.3V	13	3.3V
2	3.3V	14	-12V
3	GND	15	GND
4	+5V	16	PS_ON (soft On/Off)
5	GND	17	GND
6	+5V	18	GND
7	GND	19	GND
8	Power Good	20	-5V
9	5VSB (stand by +5V)	21	+5V
10	+12V	22	+5V
11	+12V (Only for 2x12-pin ATX)	23	+5V (Only for 2x12-pin ATX)
12	3.3V (Only for 2x12-pin ATX)	24	GND (Only for 2x12-pin ATX)

### 3/4/5) CPU\_FAN/SYS\_FAN1/SYS\_FAN2/PWR\_FAN (Fan Headers)

The motherboard has a 4-pin CPU fan header (CPU\_FAN) and two 3-pin (SYS\_FAN1/SYS\_FAN2) system fan headers, and a 3-pin power fan header (PWR\_FAN). Most fan headers possess a foolproof insertion design. When connecting a fan cable, be sure to connect it in the correct orientation (the black connector wire is the ground wire). The motherboard supports CPU fan speed control, which requires the use of a CPU fan with fan speed control design. For optimum heat dissipation, it is recommended that a system fan be installed inside the chassis.







CPU_FAN:		
Pin No.	Definition	
1	GND	
2	+12V / Speed Control	
3	Sense	
4	Speed Control	

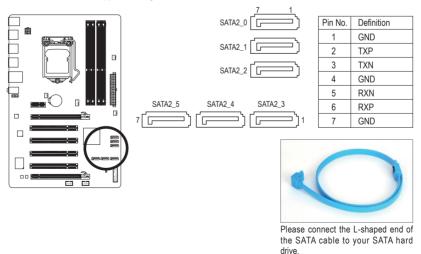
SYS\_FAN1/SYS\_FAN2/PWR\_FAN:

Pin No.	Definition
1	GND
2	+12V
3	Sense

- Be sure to connect fan cables to the fan headers to prevent your CPU and system from overheating. Overheating may result in damage to the CPU or the system may hang.
- These fan headers are not configuration jumper blocks. Do not place a jumper cap on the headers.

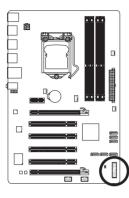
### 6) SATA2\_0/1/2/3/4/5 (SATA 3Gb/s Connectors)

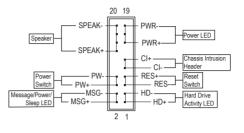
The SATA connectors conform to SATA 3Gb/s standard and are compatible with SATA 1.5Gb/s standard. Each SATA connector supports a single SATA device.



### 7) F\_PANEL (Front Panel Header)

Connect the power switch, reset switch, speaker, chassis intrusion switch/sensor and system status indicator on the chassis to this header according to the pin assignments below. Note the positive and negative pins before connecting the cables.





• MSG/PWR (Message/Power/Sleep LED, Yellow/Purple):

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System Status	LED	Connects to the power status indicator on the chassis front panel. The LED
S0	On	is on when the system is operating. The LED keeps blinking when the sys-
S1	Blinking	tem is in S1 sleep state. The LED is off when the system is in S3/S4 sleep
S3/S4/S5	Off	state or powered off (S5).

• PW (Power Switch, Red):

Connects to the power switch on the chassis front panel. You may configure the way to turn off your system using the power switch (refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup," "Power Management Setup," for more information).

• SPEAK (Speaker, Orange):

Connects to the speaker on the chassis front panel. The system reports system startup status by issuing a beep code. One single short beep will be heard if no problem is detected at system startup. If a problem is detected, the BIOS may issue beeps in different patterns to indicate the problem. Refer to Chapter 5, "Troubleshooting," for information about beep codes.

 HD (Hard Drive Activity LED, Blue) Connects to the hard drive activity LED on the chassis front panel. The LED is on when the hard drive is reading or writing data.

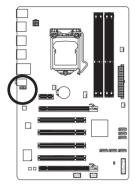
- RES (Reset Switch, Green): Connects to the reset switch on the chassis front panel. Press the reset switch to restart the computer if the computer freezes and fails to perform a normal restart.
- CI (Chassis Intrusion Header, Gray): Connects to the chassis intrusion switch/sensor on the chassis that can detect if the chassis cover has been removed. This function requires a chassis with a chassis intrusion switch/sensor.



The front panel design may differ by chassis. A front panel module mainly consists of power switch, reset switch, power LED, hard drive activity LED, speaker and etc. When connecting your chassis front panel module to this header, make sure the wire assignments and the pin assignments are matched correctly.

### 8) F\_AUDIO (Front Panel Audio Header)

The front panel audio header supports Intel High Definition audio (HD) and AC'97 audio. You may connect your chassis front panel audio module to this header. Make sure the wire assignments of the module connector match the pin assignments of the motherboard header. Incorrect connection between the module connector and the motherboard header will make the device unable to work or even damage it.



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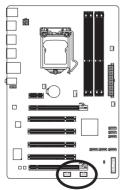
For HD Front Panel Audio:		
Pin No.	Definition	
1	MIC2_L	
2	GND	
3	MIC2_R	
4	-ACZ_DET	
5	LINE2_R	
6	GND	
7	FAUDIO_JD	
8	No Pin	
9	LINE2_L	
10	GND	

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For AC'97	For AC'97 Front Panel Audio:		
Pin No.	Definition		
1	MIC		
2	GND		
3	MIC Power		
4	NC		
5	Line Out (R)		
6	NC		
7	NC		
8	No Pin		
9	Line Out (L)		
10	NC		

- The front panel audio header supports HD audio by default. If your chassis provides an AC'97 front panel audio module, refer to the instructions on how to activate AC'97 functionality via the audio software in Chapter 5, "Configuring 2/4/5.1/7.1-Channel Audio."
  - Audio signals will be present on both of the front and back panel audio connections simultaneously. If you want to mute the back panel audio (only supported when using an HD front panel audio module), refer to Chapter 5, "Configuring 2/4/5.1/7.1-Channel Audio."
  - Some chassis provide a front panel audio module that has separated connectors on each wire
    instead of a single plug. For information about connecting the front panel audio module that
    has different wire assignments, please contact the chassis manufacturer.

### 9) F\_USB1/F\_USB2 (USB Headers)

The headers conform to USB 2.0/1.1 specification. Each USB header can provide two USB ports via an optional USB bracket. For purchasing the optional USB bracket, please contact the local dealer.



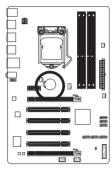


Pin No.	Definition
1	Power (5V)
2	Power (5V)
3	USB DX-
4	USB DY-
5	USB DX+
6	USB DY+
7	GND
8	GND
9	No Pin
10	NC

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   :
  - Do not plug the IEEE 1394 bracket (2x5-pin) cable into the USB header.
  - Prior to installing the USB bracket, be sure to turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the USB bracket.

### 10) BAT (Battery)

The battery provides power to keep the values (such as BIOS configurations, date, and time information) in the CMOS when the computer is turned off. Replace the battery when the battery voltage drops to a low level, or the CMOS values may not be accurate or may be lost.



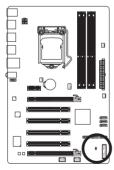


You may clear the CMOS values by removing the battery:

- 1. Turn off your computer and unplug the power cord.
- Gently remove the battery from the battery holder and wait for one minute. (Or use a metal object like a screwdriver to touch the positive and negative terminals of the battery holder, making them short for 5 seconds.)
- 3. Replace the battery.
- 4. Plug in the power cord and restart your computer.
- Always turn off your computer and unplug the power cord before replacing the battery.
  - Replace the battery with an equivalent one. Danger of explosion if the battery is replaced with an incorrect model.
  - Contact the place of purchase or local dealer if you are not able to replace the battery by yourself or uncertain about the battery model.
  - When installing the battery, note the orientation of the positive side (+) and the negative side (-) of the battery (the positive side should face up).
  - · Used batteries must be handled in accordance with local environmental regulations.

### 11) CLR\_CMOS (Clearing CMOS Jumper)

Use this jumper to clear the CMOS values (e.g. date information and BIOS configurations) and reset the CMOS values to factory defaults. To clear the CMOS values, place a jumper cap on the two pins to temporarily short the two pins or use a metal object like a screwdriver to touch the two pins for a few seconds.



•	Open: Normal
8	Short: Clear CMOS Values



- Always turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before clearing the CMOS values.
- After clearing the CMOS values and before turning on your computer, be sure to remove the jumper cap from the jumper. Failure to do so may cause damage to the motherboard.
- After system restart, go to BIOS Setup to load factory defaults (select Load Optimized Defaults) or manually configure the BIOS settings (refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup," for BIOS configurations).

# Chapter 2 BIOS Setup

BIOS (Basic Input and Output System) records hardware parameters of the system in the CMOS on the motherboard. Its major functions include conducting the Power-On Self-Test (POST) during system startup, saving system parameters and loading operating system, etc. BIOS includes a BIOS Setup program that allows the user to modify basic system configuration settings or to activate certain system features. When the power is turned off, the battery on the motherboard supplies the necessary power to the CMOS to keep the configuration values in the CMOS.

To access the BIOS Setup program, press the <Delete> key during the POST when the power is turned on. To see more advanced BIOS Setup menu options, you can press <Ctrl> + <F1> in the main menu of the BIOS Setup program.

To upgrade the BIOS, use either the GIGABYTE Q-Flash or @BIOS utility.

- Q-Flash allows the user to quickly and easily upgrade or back up BIOS without entering the operating system.
- @BIOS is a Windows-based utility that searches and downloads the latest version of BIOS from the Internet and updates the BIOS.

For instructions on using the Q-Flash and @BIOS utilities, refer to Chapter 4, "BIOS Update Utilities."



- Because BIOS flashing is potentially risky, if you do not encounter problems using the current version of BIOS, it is recommended that you not flash the BIOS. To flash the BIOS, do it with caution. Inadequate BIOS flashing may result in system malfunction.
- BIOS will emit a beep code during the POST. Refer to Chapter 5, "Troubleshooting," for the beep codes description.
- It is recommended that you not alter the default settings (unless you need to) to prevent system
  instability or other unexpected results. Inadequately altering the settings may result in system's
  failure to boot. If this occurs, try to clear the CMOS values and reset the board to default values.
  (Refer to the "Load Optimized Defaults" section in this chapter or introductions of the battery/
  clearing CMOS jumper in Chapter 1 for how to clear the CMOS values.)

### 2-1 Startup Screen

The following screens may appear when the computer boots.

A. The LOGO Screen (Default)



### B. The POST Screen

Motherboard Model — BIOS Version —	Award Modular BIOS v6.00PG, An Energy Star Ally Copyright (C) 1984-2010, Award Software, Inc. P55-S3 E12	Energy H	
	<del>: BIOS Setup <f9>: XpressRecovery2 <f12>: Boot Menu 05/25/2010-H55-7A89TG0XC-00</f12></f9></del>	<end>: Qflash</end>	Function Keys

### Function Keys:

### <TAB>: POST SCREEN

Press the <Tab> key to show the BIOS POST screen. To show the BIOS POST screen at system startup, refer to the instructions on the **Full Screen LOGO Show** item on page 41.

### <DEL>: BIOS SETUP\Q-FLASH

Press the <Delete> key to enter BIOS Setup or to access the Q-Flash utility in BIOS Setup.

### <F9>: XPRESS RECOVERY2

If you have ever entered Xpress Recovery2 to back up hard drive data using the driver disk, the <F9> key can be used for subsequent access to Xpress Recovery2 during the POST. For more information, refer to Chapter 4, "Xpress Recovery2."

### <F12>: BOOT MENU

Boot Menu allows you to set the first boot device without entering BIOS Setup. In Boot Menu, use the up arrow key <1> or the down arrow key <1> to select the first boot device, then press <Enter> to accept. To exit Boot Menu, press <Esc>. The system will directly boot from the device configured in Boot Menu. Note: The setting in Boot Menu is effective for one time only. After system restart, the device boot order will still be based on BIOS Setup settings. You can access Boot Menu again to change the first boot device setting as needed.

### <END>: Q-FLASH

Press the <End> key to access the Q-Flash utility directly without having to enter BIOS Setup first.

### 2-2 The Main Menu

Once you enter the BIOS Setup program, the Main Menu (as shown below) appears on the screen. Use arrow keys to move among the items and press <Enter> to accept or enter a sub-menu.

### (Sample BIOS Version: E12)

	CMOS Setup	Utility-Copyright	(C) 1984-2010 Aw	vard Software
> > > >	<ul> <li>MB Intelligent Tweaker(M.I.T.)</li> <li>Standard CMOS Features</li> <li>Advanced BIOS Features</li> <li>Integrated Peripherals</li> <li>Power Management Setup</li> <li>PC Health Status</li> </ul>		Load Fail-Safe Defaults Load Optimized Defaults Set Supervisor Password Set User Password Save & Exit Setup Exit Without Saving	
	2: Quit	↑↓→←: Select It		F11: Save CMOS to BIOS
F8:	Q-Flash	F10: Save & Exi	t Setup	F12: Load CMOS from BIOS

### **BIOS Setup Program Function Keys**

<↑><↓><←><→	> Move the selection bar to select an item
<enter></enter>	Execute command or enter the submenu
<esc></esc>	Main Menu: Exit the BIOS Setup program
	Submenus: Exit current submenu
<page up=""></page>	Increase the numeric value or make changes
<page down=""></page>	Decrease the numeric value or make changes
<f1></f1>	Show descriptions of the function keys
<f2></f2>	Move cursor to the Item Help block on the right (submenus only)
<f5></f5>	Restore the previous BIOS settings for the current submenus
<f6></f6>	Load the Fail-Safe BIOS default settings for the current submenus
<f7></f7>	Load the Optimized BIOS default settings for the current submenus
<f8></f8>	Access the Q-Flash utility
<f9></f9>	Display system information
<f10></f10>	Save all the changes and exit the BIOS Setup program
<f11></f11>	Save CMOS to BIOS
<f12></f12>	Load CMOS from BIOS

#### Main Menu Help

The on-screen description of a highlighted setup option is displayed on the bottom line of the Main Menu.

#### Submenu Help

While in a submenu, press <F1> to display a help screen (General Help) of function keys available for the menu. Press <Esc> to exit the help screen. Help for each item is in the Item Help block on the right side of the submenu.



- If you do not find the settings you want in the Main Menu or a submenu, press <Ctrl>+<F1> to access more advanced options.
- When the system is not stable as usual, select the Load Optimized Defaults item to set your system to its defaults.
- The BIOS Setup menus described in this chapter are for reference only and may differ by BIOS version.

# The Functions of the <F11> and <F12> keys (For the Main Menu Only) F11: Save CMOS to BIOS

This function allows you to save the current BIOS settings to a profile. You can create up to 8 profiles (Profile 1-8) and name each profile. First enter the profile name (to erase the default profile name, use the SPACE key) and then press <Enter> to complete.

### F12: Load CMOS from BIOS

If your system becomes unstable and you have loaded the BIOS default settings, you can use this function to load the BIOS settings from a profile created before, without the hassles of reconfiguring the BIOS settings. First select the profile you wish to load, then press <Enter> to complete.

### MB Intelligent Tweaker(M.I.T.) Use this menu to configure the clock, frequency and voltages of your CPU, memory, etc.

### Standard CMOS Features

Use this menu to configure the system time and date, hard drive types, and the type of errors that stop the system boot, etc.

### Advanced BIOS Features

Use this menu to configure the device boot order, advanced features available on the CPU, and the primary display adapter.

### Integrated Peripherals

Use this menu to configure all peripheral devices, such as SATA, USB, integrated audio, and integrated LAN, etc.

### Power Management Setup

Use this menu to configure all the power-saving functions.

### PC Health Status

Use this menu to see information about autodetected system/CPU temperature, system voltage and fan speed, etc.

### Load Fail-Safe Defaults

Fail-Safe defaults are factory settings for the most stable, minimal-performance system operations.

### Load Optimized Defaults

Optimized defaults are factory settings for optimal-performance system operations.

### Set Supervisor Password

Change, set, or disable password. It allows you to restrict access to the system and BIOS Setup. A supervisor password allows you to make changes in BIOS Setup.

### Set User Password

Change, set, or disable password. It allows you to restrict access to the system and BIOS Setup. A user password only allows you to view the BIOS settings but not to make changes.

### Save & Exit Setup

Save all the changes made in the BIOS Setup program to the CMOS and exit BIOS Setup. (Pressing <F10> can also carry out this task.)

### Exit Without Saving

Abandon all changes and the previous settings remain in effect. Pressing <Y> to the confirmation message will exit BIOS Setup. (Pressing <Esc> can also carry out this task.)

### 2-3 MB Intelligent Tweaker(M.I.T.)

CMOS Setup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Software							
MB Intelligent Tweaker(M.I.T.)							
<ul> <li>M.I.T Current Status</li> <li>Advanced Frequency Settings</li> <li>Advanced Memory Settings</li> <li>Advanced Voltage Settings</li> <li>Miscellaneous Settings</li> </ul>	[Press Enter] [Press Enter] [Press Enter] [Press Enter] [Press Enter]	Item Help Menu Level ►					
BIOS Version BCLK CPU Frequency Memory Frequency Total Memory Size	E12 133.27 MHz 3332.86 MHz 1332.71 MHz 2048 MB						
CPU Temperature PCH Temperature Vcore	45℃ 40℃ 1 184V						
DRAM Voltage	1.184V 1.584V						
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values	+/-/PU/PD: Value F10: Save ESC: F6: Fail-Safe Defaults F7: O	Exit F1: General Help Optimized Defaults					

Whether the system will work stably with the overclock/overvoltage settings you made is dependent on your overall system configurations. Incorrectly doing overclock/overvoltage may result in damage to CPU, chipset, or memory and reduce the useful life of these components. This page is for advanced users only and we recommend you not to alter the default settings to prevent system instability or other unexpected results. (Inadequately altering the settings may result in system's failure to boot. If this occurs, clear the CMOS values and reset the board to default values.)

### M.I.T. Current Status

This screen provides information on CPU/memory frequencies/parameters.

#### Advanced Frequency Settings

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CPU Clock Ratio CPU Frequency Advanced CPU Core Features QPI Clock Ratio QPI Link Speed Uncore Clock Ratio Uncore Frequency >>>>> Standard Clock Control Base Clock(BCLK) Control x BCLK Frequency (Mhz) Extreme Memory Profile (X.M.P.) <sup>(Nose)</sup> System Memory Multiplier Memory Frequency (Mhz) PCI Express Frequency (Mhz) >>>>> Advanced Clock Control CPU Clock Drive PCI Express Clock Drive CPU Clock Skew	[24X] 3.20GHz (133x24) [Press Enter] [Auto] 4.8GHz 16x 2133MHz [Disabled] 133 [Disabled] 1333 [Auto] 1333 [Auto] [800mV] [900mV] [0ps]	Item Help Menu Level →
	+/-/PU/PD: Value F10: S F6: Fail-Safe Defaults	Save ESC: Exit F1: General Help F7: Optimized Defaults

(Note) This item appears only if you install a memory module that supports this feature.

### CPU Clock Ratio

Allows you to alter the clock ratio for the installed CPU. The adjustable range is dependent on the CPU being installed.

### ☞ CPU Frequency

Displays the current operating CPU frequency.

### Advanced CPU Core Features

CMOS Setup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Software Advanced CPU Core Features						
Intel(R) Turbo Boost Tech. <sup>(Note)</sup> CPU Cores Enabled <sup>(Note)</sup> CPU Multi-Threading <sup>(Note)</sup> CPU Enhanced Halt (C1E) <sup>(Note)</sup> C3/C6/C7 State Support <sup>(Note)</sup> CPU Thermal Monitor <sup>(Note)</sup> CPU EIST Function <sup>(Note)</sup> Bi-Directional PROCHOT <sup>(Note)</sup>	[Auto] [All] [Enabled] [Auto] [Auto] [Auto] [Auto] [Auto]	Item Help Menu Level ≯				
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values	+/-/PU/PD: Value F10: Save F6: Fail-Safe Defaults	ESC: Exit F1: General Help F7: Optimized Defaults				

### ∽ Intel(R) Turbo Boost Tech.<sup>(Note)</sup>

Allows you to determine whether to enable the Intel CPU Turbo Boost technology. Auto lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default: Auto)

### → CPU Cores Enabled (Note)

Allows you to determine whether to enable all CPU cores.

- ► All Enables all CPU cores. (Default)
- ▶ 1 Enables only one CPU core.
- ▶ 2 Enables only two CPU cores.
- ▶ 3 Enables only three CPU cores.

### ∽ CPU Multi-Threading <sup>(Note)</sup>

Allows you to determine whether to enable multi-threading technology when using an Intel CPU that supports this function. This feature only works for operating systems that support multi-processor mode. (Default: Enabled)

### ∽ CPU Enhanced Halt (C1E) <sup>(Note)</sup>

Enables or disables Intel CPU Enhanced Halt (C1E) function, a CPU power-saving function in system halt state. When enabled, the CPU core frequency and voltage will be reduced during system halt state to decrease power consumption. **Auto** lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default: Auto)

(Note) This item is present only if you install a CPU that supports this feature. For more information about Intel CPUs' unique features, please visit Intel's website.

### C3/C6/C7 State Support (Note)

Allows you to determine whether to let the CPU enter C3/C6/C7 mode in system halt state. When enabled, the CPU core frequency and voltage will be reduced during system halt state to decrease power consumption. The C3/C6/C7 state is a more enhanced power-saving state than C1. **Auto** lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default: Auto)

### CPU Thermal Monitor (Note)

Enables or disables Intel CPU Thermal Monitor function, a CPU overheating protection function. When enabled, the CPU core frequency and voltage will be reduced when the CPU is overheated. **Auto** lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default: Auto)

### ∽ CPU EIST Function <sup>(Note)</sup>

Enables or disables Enhanced Intel SpeedStep Technology (EIST). Depending on CPU loading, Intel EIST technology can dynamically and effectively lower the CPU voltage and core frequency to decrease average power consumption and heat production. **Auto** lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default: Auto)

### ☞ Bi-Directional PROCHOT (Note)

- ➡ Auto Lets BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default)
- Enabled When the CPU or chipset detects that an overheating is occurring, PROCHOT signals will be emitted to lower CPU performance to decrease heat production.
- Disabled Only allows the CPU to detect whether an overheating is occurring to emit PROCHOT signals.

### ☞ QPI Clock Ratio

Allows you to set the QPI clock ratio. Options are: Auto (default), x32, x36. The item is adjustable only if a CPU with unlocked clock ratio is installed.

### OPI Link Speed

Displays the current operating QPI link speed.

### ☞ Uncore Clock Ratio

Displays the Uncore clock ratio.

### ∽ Uncore Frequency

This value is determined by multiplying the BLCK Frequency value by the Uncore Clock Ratio value.

### >>>> Standard Clock Control

### ∽ Base Clock(BCLK) Control

Enables or disables the control of CPU base clock. **Enabled** will allow the **BCLK Frequency(Mhz)** item below to be configurable. Note: If your system fails to boot after overclocking, please wait for 20 seconds to allow for automated system reboot, or clear the CMOS values to reset the board to default values. (Default: Disabled)

(Note) This item is present only if you install a CPU that supports this feature. For more information about Intel CPUs' unique features, please visit Intel's website.

### ☞ BCLK Frequency(Mhz)

Allows you to manually set the CPU base clock. The adjustable range is from 100 MHz to 600 MHz. This item is configurable only if the **Base Clock(BCLK) Control** option is enabled.

Important: It is highly recommended that the CPU frequency be set in accordance with the CPU specifications.

### C Extreme Memory Profile (X.M.P.) (Note)

Allows the BIOS to read the SPD data on XMP memory  $\mathsf{module}(s)$  to enhance memory performance when enabled.

- ➤ Disabled Disables this function. (Default)
- ▶ Profile1 Uses Profile 1 settings.
- ▶ Profile2<sup>(Note)</sup> Uses Profile 2 settings.

### ∽ System Memory Multiplier (SPD)

Allows you to set the system memory multiplier. Auto sets memory multiplier according to memory SPD data. (Default: Auto)

### Memory Frequency(Mhz)

The first memory frequency value is the normal operating frequency of the memory being used; the second is the memory frequency that is automatically adjusted according to the **BCLK Frequency(Mhz)** and **System Memory Multiplier** settings.

### ∽ PCI Express Frequency(Mhz)

Allows you to manually set the PCIe clock frequency. The adjustable range is from 90 MHz to 150 MHz. **Auto** sets the PCIe clock frequency to standard 100 MHz. (Default: Auto)

### >>>> Advanced Clock Control

### → CPU Clock Drive

Allows you to adjust the amplitude of the CPU and Chipset clock. Options are: 700mV, 800mV (default), 900mV, 1000mV.

### ∽ PCI Express Clock Drive

Allows you to adjust the amplitude of the PCI Express and Chipset clock. Options are: 700mV, 800mV, 900mV (default), 1000mV.

### → CPU Clock Skew

Allows you to set the CPU clock prior to the Chipset clock. Options are: 0ps~750ps. (Default: 0ps)

(Note) This item appears only if you install a memory module that supports this feature.

### Advanced Memory Settings

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	System Memory Multiplier	(SPD)	[Auto]			Menu Level	••
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	Performance Enhance		[Turbo]				
	DRAM Timing Selectable	(SPD)	[Auto]				
	Profile DDR Voltage						
	Profile QPI Voltage						
x	Channel Interleaving						
x	Rank Interleaving >>>>> Channel A						
▮►	Channel A Timing Settings >>>>> Channel B		[Press En	ter]			
▶	Channel B Timing Settings		[Press En	ter]			
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### ☞ Extreme Memory Profile (X.M.P.) (Note), System Memory Multiplier (SPD),

### Memory Frequency(Mhz)

The settings under the three items above are synchronous to those under the same items on the Advanced Frequency Settings menu.

### ∽ Performance Enhance

Allows the system to operate at three different performance levels.

- >> Standard Lets the system operate at its basic performance level.
- ➡ Turbo Lets the system operate at its good performance level. (Default)
- ➤ Extreme Lets the system operate at its best performance level.

### ☞ DRAM Timing Selectable (SPD)

**Quick** and **Expert** allows the **Channel Interleaving** and **Rank Interleaving** items to be configurable. Options are: Auto (default), Quick, Expert.

### ☞ Profile DDR Voltage

When using a non-XMP memory module or **Extreme Memory Profile (X.M.P.)** is set to **Disabled**, this item will display as **1.5V**. When **Extreme Memory Profile (X.M.P.)** is set to **Profile1** or **Profile2**, this item will display the value based on the SPD data on the XMP memory.

### ☞ Profile QPI Voltage

The value displayed here is dependent on the CPU being used.

### ∽ Channel Interleaving

Options are: Auto (default), 1~6.

### → Rank Interleaving

Options are: Auto (default), 1~4.

(Note) This item appears only if you install a memory module that supports this feature.

### >>>> Channel A/B Timing Settings

CMOS Setup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Software Channel A Timing Settings						
	>>>>> Channel A Standard Timing	Control				Item Help
x	CAS Latency Time				Me	nu Level 🕨
x	tRCD					
x	tRP					
x	tRAS					
	>>>>> Channel A Advanced Timing	Control				
x						
x	tRRD					
x	tWTR					
x						
x	tWTP					
x						
x	tRFC					
x	tRTP					
x		16				
x	Command Rate (CMD)					
	>>>>> Channel A Misc Timing Con					
x	B2B CAS Delay					
x	Round Trip Latency					
Ţ	↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values	+/-/PU/Pl F6: Fail-S	D: Value Safe Defaults	F10: Save	ESC: Exit F7: Optimi	F1: General Help zed Defaults

### >>>> Channel A/B Standard Timing Control

#### → CAS Latency Time

Options are: Auto (default), 5~15.

ං tRCD

Options are: Auto (default), 1~15.

ං tRP

Options are: Auto (default), 1~15.

#### 🗢 tRAS

Options are: Auto (default), 1~31.

#### >>>> Channel A/B Advanced Timing Control

### ☞ tRC

Options are: Auto (default), 1~63.

ං tRRD

Options are: Auto (default), 1~7.

∽ tWTR

Options are: Auto (default), 1~31.

ି tWR

Options are: Auto (default), 1~15.

ං tWTP

Options are: Auto (default), 1~31.

☞ tWL

Options are: Auto (default), 1~10

ං tRFC

Options are: Auto (default), 1~255.

ං tRTP

Options are: Auto (default), 1~15.

### ා tFAW

Options are: Auto (default), 1~63.

Command Rate(CMD)
 Options are: Auto (default), 1~3.

### >>>> Channel A/B Misc Timing Control

### ☞ B2B CAS Delay

Options are: Auto (default), 1~31.

### ∽ Round Trip Latency

Options are: Auto (default), 1~255.

### Advanced Voltage Settings

CMOS Setup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Software Advanced Voltage Settings					
***** Mother Board Voltage Co	ontrol *****			Item Help	
Voltage Types		Current		Menu Level 🕨	
>>> CPU Load-Line Calibration Dynamic Vcore(DVID) QPI/Vtt Voltage >>> MCH/ICH PCH Core CPU PLL >>> DRAM DRAM Voltage DRAM Termination	+0.00000V 1.100V 1.050V 1.800V 1.500V 0.750V	[Auto] [Auto] [Auto] [Auto] [Auto] [Auto]			
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values	+/-/PU/PD: V F6: Fail-Safe			Exit F1: General Help ptimized Defaults	

#### >>> CPU

### ∽ Load-Line Calibration

Enables or disables Load-Line Calibration. Enabling this feature adjusts Vdroop, keeping the CPU voltage more constant under light and heavy CPU load. **Disabled** sets the CPU voltage following Intel specifications. (Default: Auto)

Note: Enabling Load-Line Calibration may result in damage to your CPU or reduce the useful life of the CPU.

### → Dynamic Vcore(DVID)

The default is Auto.

### 

The default is Auto.

### >>> MCH/ICH

→ PCH Core

The default is Auto.

### 🗢 CPU PLL

The default is Auto.

- >>> DRAM
- → DRAM Voltage

The default is Auto.

→ DRAM Termination

The default is Auto.

### Miscellaneous Settings

CMOS Setup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Software Miscellaneous Settings						
Isochronous Support Virtualization Technology <sup>(Note)</sup>	[Enabled] [Enabled]	Item Help Menu Level >>				
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values		SC: Exit F1: General Help 7: Optimized Defaults				

### ∽ Isochronous Support

Determines whether to enable specific streams within the CPU and Chipset. (Default: Enabled)

### ∽ Virtualization Technology<sup>(Note)</sup>

Enables or disables Intel Virtualization Technology. Virtualization enhanced by Intel Virtualization Technology will allow a platform to run multiple operating systems and applications in independent partitions. With virtualization, one computer system can function as multiple virtual systems. (Default: Enabled)

(Note) This item is present only if you install a CPU that supports this feature. For more information about Intel CPUs' unique features, please visit Intel's website.

CMOS Set	tup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award S MB Intelligent Tweaker(M.I.T.)	Software
<ul> <li>M.I.T Current Status</li> <li>Advanced Frequency Settings</li> <li>Advanced Memory Settings</li> <li>Advanced Voltage Settings</li> <li>Miscellaneous Settings</li> </ul>	[Press Enter] [Press Enter] [Press Enter] [Press Enter] [Press Enter]	Item Help Menu Level ➤
BIOS Version BCLK CPU Frequency Memory Frequency Total Memory Size	E12 133.27 MHz 3332.86 MHz 1332.71 MHz 2048 MB	
CPU Temperature PCH Temperature Vcore	45°C 40°C 1.184V	
DRAM Voltage ↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values	1.584V +/-/PU/PD: Value F10: Save F6: Fail-Safe Defaults	ESC: Exit F1: General Help F7: Optimized Defaults

This section provides information on the BIOS version, CPU base clock, CPU frequency, memory frequency, total memory size , CPU temperature, Chipset temperature, Vcore, and memory voltage.

# 2-4 Standard CMOS Features

CMOS Set	up Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Softw Standard CMOS Features	vare
Date (mm:dd:yy) Time (hh:mm:ss)	Wed, May 26 2010 22:31:24	Item Help Menu Level
<ul> <li>IDE Channel 0 Master</li> <li>IDE Channel 0 Slave</li> <li>IDE Channel 1 Master</li> <li>IDE Channel 1 Slave</li> </ul>	[None] [None] [None] [None]	
<ul> <li>IDE Channel 2 Master</li> <li>IDE Channel 3 Master</li> </ul>	[None] [None]	
Drive A Halt On	[1.44M, 3.5"] [All, But Keyboard]	
Base Memory Extended Memory Total Memory	640K 1022M 1024M	
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values		C: Exit F1: General Help Optimized Defaults

#### ∽ Date (mm:dd:yy)

Sets the system date. The date format is week (read-only), month, date and year. Select the desired field and use the up arrow or down arrow key to set the date.

#### Time (hh:mm:ss)

Sets the system time. For example, 1 p.m. is 13:0:0. Select the desired field and use the up arrow or down arrow key to set the time.

#### ∽ IDE Channel 0, 1 Master/Slave

▶ IDE Channel 0, 1 Master/Slave

Configure your SATA devices by using one of the three methods below:

- None If no SATA devices are used, set this item to **None** so the system will skip the detection of the device during the POST for faster system startup.
- Auto Lets the BIOS automatically detect SATA devices during the POST. (Default)
   Manual Allows you to manually enter the specifications of the hard drive when the hard
- drive access mode is set to CHS.
- ➤ Access Mode Sets the hard drive access mode. Options are: Auto (default), CHS, LBA, Large.

#### ☞ IDE Channel 2, 3 Master

➡ Extended IDE Drive

► Access Mode

Configure your SATA devices by using one of the two methods below:

- Auto Lets the BIOS automatically detect SATA devices during the POST. (Default)
- None If no SATA devices are used, set this item to **None** so the system will skip the detection of the device during the POST for faster system startup.
  - Sets the hard drive access mode. Options are: Auto (default), Large.

The following fields display your hard drive specifications. If you wish to enter the parameters manually, refer to the information on the hard drive.

- ➤ Capacity Approximate capacity of the currently installed hard drive.
- Cylinder Number of cylinders.
- ➡ Head Number of heads.

- Precomp Write precompensation cylinder.
- ✤ Landing Zone Landing zone.
- ➡ Sector Number of sectors.

### つ Halt On

Allows you to determine whether the system will stop for an error during the POST.

- ➤ All Errors Whenever the BIOS detects a non-fatal error the system boot will stop.
- ➤ No Errors The system boot will not stop for any error.
- ➤ All, But Keyboard The system boot will not stop for a keyboard error but stop for all other errors. (Default)

### ∽ Memory

These fields are read-only and are determined by the BIOS POST.

- ➤ Base Memory Also called conventional memory. Typically, 640 KB will be reserved for the MS-DOS operating system.
- ➡ Extended Memory The amount of extended memory.
- ➤ Total Memory The total amount of memory installed on the system.

# 2-5 Advanced BIOS Features

CMOS Setu	p Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Softv Advanced BIOS Features	vare
<ul> <li>Hard Disk Boot Priority Quick Boot</li> <li>First Boot Device</li> <li>Second Boot Device</li> <li>Third Boot Device</li> <li>Password Check</li> <li>HDD S.M.A.R.T. Capability</li> <li>Limit CPUID Max. to 3 <sup>(Note)</sup></li> <li>No-Execute Memory Protect <sup>(Note)</sup></li> <li>Delay For HDD (Secs)</li> <li>Full Screen LOGO Show</li> <li>Backup BIOS Image to HDD</li> <li>Init Display First</li> </ul>	[Press Enter] [Disabled] [Hard Disk] [CDROM] [USB-FDD] [Setup] [Disabled] [Enabled] [Enabled] [Disabled] [Disabled] [Disabled] [PCI]	Item Help Menu Level ➤
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values		C: Exit F1: General Help Optimized Defaults

#### Hard Disk Boot Priority

Specifies the sequence of loading the operating system from the installed hard drives. Use the up or down arrow key to select a hard drive, then press the plus key <+> (or <PageUp>) or the minus key <-> (or <PageDown>) to move it up or down on the list. Press <Esc> to exit this menu when finished.

#### Quick Boot

Enables or disables the quick boot function to speed up the system boot-up process to shorten the waiting time for entering the operating system and to deliver greater efficiency for daily use. (Default: Disabled)

#### First/Second/Third Boot Device

Specifies the boot order from the available devices. Use the up or down arrow key to select a device and press <Enter> to accept. Options are: LS120, Hard Disk, CDROM, ZIP, USB-FDD, USB-ZIP, USB-CDROM, USB-HDD, Legacy LAN, Disabled.

#### Password Check

Specifies whether a password is required every time the system boots, or only when you enter BIOS Setup. After configuring this item, set the password(s) under the **Set Supervisor/User Password** item in the BIOS Main Menu.

- Setup A password is only required for entering the BIOS Setup program. (Default)
- System A password is required for booting the system and for entering the BIOS Setup program.

#### HDD S.M.A.R.T. Capability

Enables or disables the S.M.A.R.T. (Self Monitoring and Reporting Technology) capability of your hard drive. This feature allows your system to report read/write errors of the hard drive and to issue warnings when a third party hardware monitor utility is installed. (Default: Disabled)

(Note) This item is present only if you install a CPU that supports this feature. For more information about Intel CPUs' unique features, please visit Intel's website.

#### ∽ Limit CPUID Max. to 3<sup>(Note)</sup>

Allows you to determine whether to limit CPUID maximum value. Set this item to **Disabled** for Windows XP operating system; set this item to **Enabled** for legacy operating system such as Windows NT4.0. (Default: Disabled)

#### No-Execute Memory Protect (Note)

Enables or disables Intel Execute Disable Bit function. This function may enhance protection for the computer, reducing exposure to viruses and malicious buffer overflow attacks when working with its supporting software and system. (Default: Enabled)

#### ∽ Delay For HDD (Secs)

Allows you to set a delay time for the BIOS to initialize the hard drive as the system boots up. The adjustable range is from 0 to 15 seconds. (Default: 0)

#### ∽ Full Screen LOGO Show

Allows you to determine whether to display the GIGABYTE Logo at system startup. **Disabled** displays normal POST message. (Default: Enabled)

#### ∽ Backup BIOS Image to HDD

Allows the system to copy the BIOS image file to the hard drive. If the system BIOS is corrupted, it will be recovered from this image file. (Default: Disabled)

#### ∽ Init Display First

Specifies the first initiation of the monitor display from the installed PCI graphics card or the PCI Express graphics card.

- ▶ PCI Sets the PCI graphics card as the first display. (Default)
- ▶ PEG Sets the PCI Express graphics card on the PCIEX16 slot as the first display.
- ▶ PEG2 Sets the PCI Express graphics card on the PCIEX4 slot as the first display.

(Note) This item is present only if you install a CPU that supports this feature. For more information about Intel CPUs' unique features, please visit Intel's website.

# 2-6 Integrated Peripherals

CMOS Setu	p Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Sof Integrated Peripherals	îware
SATA AHCI Mode SATA Port0-3 Native Mode USB Controllers USB Legacy Function Azalia Codec Onboard H/W LAN Green LAN SMART LAN Onboard LAN Boot ROM	[IDE] [Enabled] [Enabled] [Enabled] [Auto] [Enabled] [Disabled] [Press Enter] [Disabled]	Item Help Menu Level ►
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values		SC: Exit F1: General Help 7: Optimized Defaults

### ∽ SATA AHCI Mode (Intel H55 Chipset)

Allows you to decide whether to configure the SATA controller integrated in the Intel H55 Chipset to AHCI mode.

- ► IDE Configures the SATA controller to IDE mode. (Default)
- AHCI Configures the SATA controller to AHCI mode. Advanced Host Controller Interface (AHCI) is an interface specification that allows the storage driver to enable advanced Serial ATA features such as Native Command Queuing and hot plug.

#### SATA Port0-3 Native Mode (Intel H55 Chipset)

Specifies the operating mode of the integrated SATA controllers.

- Disabled Allows the SATA controllers to operate in Legacy IDE mode. In Legacy mode the SATA controllers use dedicated IRQs that cannot be shared with other device. Set this option to **Disabled** if you wish to install operating systems that do not support Native mode.
- Enabled Allows the SATA controllers to operate in Native IDE mode. Enable Native IDE mode if you wish to install operating systems that support Native mode. (Default)

#### → USB Controllers

Enables or disables the integrated USB controllers. (Default: Enabled) **Disabled** will turn off all of the USB functionalities below.

#### → USB Legacy Function

Allows USB keyboard to be used in MS-DOS. (Default: Enabled)

#### → USB Storage Function

Determines whether to detect USB storage devices, including USB flash drives and USB hard drives during the POST. (Default: Enabled)

#### Azalia Codec

Enables or disables the onboard audio function. (Default: Auto)

If you wish to install a 3rd party add-in audio card instead of using the onboard audio, set this item to **Disabled**.

#### ∽ Onboard H/W LAN

Enables or disables the onboard LAN function. (Default: Enabled)

If you wish to install a 3rd party add-in network card instead of using the onboard LAN, set this item to **Disabled**.

#### Green LAN

When the onboard LAN function and **Green LAN** are enabled, the system will dynamically detect if a LAN cable is connected or not. If not, the corresponding LAN controller will be disabled automatically. (Default: Disabled)

#### ∽ SMART LAN

CMOS Set	up Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award SMART LAN	Software
Start detecting at Port Part1-2 Status = Open / Length = Part3-6 Status = Open / Length = Part4-5 Status = Open / Length = Part7-8 Status = Open / Length =	= 0m = 0m	Item Help Menu Level ≯>
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values	+/-/PU/PD: Value F10: Save F6: Fail-Safe Defaults	ESC: Exit F1: General Help F7: Optimized Defaults

This motherboard incorporates cable diagnostic feature designed to detect the status of the attached LAN cable. This feature will detect cabling issue and report the approximate distance to the fault or short. Refer to the following information for diagnosing your LAN cable:

#### ☞ When No LAN Cable Is Attached...

If no LAN cable is attached to the motherboard, the **Status** fields of all four pairs of wires will show **Open** and the **Length** fields show **0m**, as shown in the figure above.

#### ∽ When LAN Cable Is Functioning Normally...

If no cable problem is detected on the LAN cable connected to a Gigabit hub or a 10/100 Mbps hub, the following message will appear:



▶ Link Detected Displays transmission speed.

>> Cable Length Displays the approximate length of the attached LAN cable.

Note: The Gigabit hub will only operate at a speed of 10/100 Mbps in MS-DOS mode; it will operate at a normal speed of 10/100/1000 Mbps in Windows mode or when the LAN Boot ROM is activated.

#### $\curvearrowleft$ When a Cable Problem Occurs...

If a cable problem occurs on a specified pair of wires, the **Status** field will show **Short** and then length shown will be the approximate distance to the fault or short.

Example: Part1-2 Status = Short / Length = 2m

Explanation: A fault or short might occur at about 2m on Part 1-2.

Note: Part 4-5 and Part 7-8 are not used in a 10/100 Mbps environment, so their **Status** fields will show **Open**, and the length shown is the approximate length of the attached LAN cable.

#### ∽ Onboard LAN Boot ROM

Allows you to decide whether to activate the boot ROM integrated with the onboard LAN chip. (Default: Disabled)

# 2-7 Power Management Setup

	CMOS S	etup Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Awar Power Management Setup	d Software
x x x	ACPI Suspend Type Soft-Off by PWR-BTTN PME Event Wake Up Power On by Ring Resume by Alarm Date (of Month) Alarm Time (hh:mm:ss) Alarm HPET Support <sup>(Note)</sup> HPET Mode <sup>(Note)</sup> Power On By Mouse Power On By Keyboard KB Power ON Password AC Back Function ErP Support	[S3(STR)] [Instant-Off] [Enabled] [Enabled] [Disabled] Everyday 0:0:0 [Enabled] [32-bit mode] [Disabled] [Disabled] Enter [Soft-Off] [Disabled]	Item Help Menu Level ►
↑↓	→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values	+/-/PU/PD: Value F10: Save F6: Fail-Safe Defaults	ESC: Exit F1: General Help F7: Optimized Defaults

#### ACPI Suspend Type

Specifies the ACPI sleep state when the system enters suspend.

- S1(POS) Enables the system to enter the ACPI S1 (Power on Suspend) sleep state. In S1 sleep state, the system appears suspended and stays in a low power mode. The system can be resumed at any time.
- S3(STR) Enables the system to enter the ACPI S3 (Suspend to RAM) sleep state (default). In S3 sleep state, the system appears to be off and consumes less power than in the S1 state. When signaled by a wake-up device or event, the system resumes to its working state exactly where it was left off.

#### ∽ Soft-Off by PWR-BTTN

Configures the way to turn off the computer in MS-DOS mode using the power button.

- > Instant-Off Press the power button and then the system will be turned off instantly. (Default)
- Delay 4 Sec. Press and hold the power button for 4 seconds to turn off the system. If the power button is pressed for less than 4 seconds, the system will enter suspend mode.

### ☞ PME Event Wake Up

Allows the system to be awakened from an ACPI sleep state by a wake-up signal from a PCI or PCIe device. Note: To use this function, you need an ATX power supply providing at least 1A on the +5VSB lead. (Default: Enabled)

#### ∽ Power On by Ring

Allows the system to be awakened from an ACPI sleep state by a wake-up signal from a modem that supports wake-up function. (Default: Enabled)

(Note) Supported on Windows 7/Vista operating system only.

#### ∽ Resume by Alarm

Determines whether to power on the system at a desired time. (Default: Disabled) If enabled, set the date and time as following:

➤ Date (of Month) Alarm: Turn on the system at a specific time on each day or on a specific day in a month.

>> Time (hh: mm: ss) Alarm: Set the time at which the system will be powered on automatically.

Note: When using this function, avoid inadequate shutdown from the operating system or removal of the AC power, or the settings may not be effective.

#### → HPET Support (Note)

Enables or disables High Precision Event Timer (HPET) for Windows 7/Vista operating system. (Default: Enabled)

#### → HPET Mode (Note)

Allows you to select the HPET mode for your Windows 7/Vista operating system. Select **32-bit mode** when you install 32-bit Windows 7/Vista; select **64-bit mode** when you install 64-bit Windows 7/Vista. This item is configurable only if the **HPET Support** is set to **Enabled**. (Default: 32-bit mode)

#### ∽ Power On By Mouse

Allows the system to be turned on by a PS/2 mouse wake-up event.

Note: To use this function, you need an ATX power supply providing at least 1A on the +5VSB lead.

- ✤ Disabled Disables this function. (Default)
- >> Double Click Double click on left button on the PS/2 mouse to turn on the system.

#### Power On By Keyboard

Allows the system to be turned on by a PS/2 keyboard wake-up event.

Note: you need an ATX power supply providing at least 1A on the +5VSB lead.

- Disabled Disables this function. (Default)
- ➤ Password Set a password with 1~5 characters to turn on the system.
- >> Keyboard 98 Press POWER button on the Windows 98 keyboard to turn on the system.

#### ∽ KB Power ON Password

Set the password when **Power On by Keyboard** is set to **Password**. Press <Enter> on this item and set a password with up to 5 characters and then press <Enter> to accept. To turn on the system, enter the password and press <Enter>.

Note: To cancel the password, press <Enter> on this item. When prompted for the password, press <Enter> again without entering the password to clear the password settings.

#### → AC Back Function

Determines the state of the system after the return of power from an AC power loss.

- ✤ Soft-Off The system stays off upon the return of the AC power. (Default)
- ➤ Full-On The system is turned on upon the return of the AC power.
- >> Memory The system returns to its last known awake state upon the return of the AC power.

#### ☞ ErP Support

Determines whether to let the system consume less than 1W power in S5 (shutdown) state. (Default: Disabled)

Note: When this item is set to Enabled, the following four functions will become unavailable:

PME event wake up, power on by mouse, power on by keyboard, and wake on LAN.

(Note) Supported on Windows 7/Vista operating system only.

# 2-8 PC Health Status

CMOS Set	up Utility-Copyright (C) 1984-2010 Award Soft PC Health Status	ware
Reset Case Open Status	[Disabled]	Item Help
Case Opened		Menu Level 🕨
Vcore	1.220V	
DDR15V		
+5V		
+12V		
Current System Temperature	30°C	
Current CPU Temperature		
Current CPU FAN Speed	3375 RPM	
Current SYSTEM FAN2 Speed	0 RPM	
Current POWER FAN Speed	0 RPM	
Current SYSTEM FAN1 Speed	0 RPM	
CPU Warning Temperature	[Disabled]	
CPU FAN Fail Warning	[Disabled]	
SYSTEM FAN2 Fail Warning	[Disabled]	
POWER FAN Fail Warning	[Disabled]	
SYSTEM FAN1 Fail Warning	[Disabled]	
CPU Smart FAN Control	[Enabled]	
CPU Smart FAN Mode	[Auto]	
↑↓→←: Move Enter: Select F5: Previous Values		C: Exit F1: General Help : Optimized Defaults

#### Reset Case Open Status

Keeps or clears the record of previous chassis intrusion status. **Enabled** clears the record of previous chassis intrusion status and the **Case Opened** field will show "No" at next boot. (Default: Disabled)

∽ Case Opened

Displays the detection status of the chassis intrusion detection device attached to the motherboard CI header. If the system chassis cover is removed, this field will show "Yes", otherwise it will show "No". To clear the chassis intrusion status record, set **Reset Case Open Status** to **Enabled**, save the settings to the CMOS, and then restart your system.

#### ∽ Current Voltage(V) Vcore/DDR15V/+5V/+12V

Displays the current system voltages.

#### ∽ Current System/CPU Temperature

Displays current system/CPU temperature.

#### ∽ Current CPU/SYSTEM/POWER FAN Speed (RPM)

Displays current CPU/system/power fan speed.

#### ∽ CPU Warning Temperature

Sets the warning threshold for CPU temperature. When CPU temperature exceeds the threshold, BIOS will emit warning sound. Options are: Disabled (default), 60°C/140°F, 70°C/158°F, 80°C/176°F, 90°C/194°F.

#### ∽ CPU/SYSTEM/POWER FAN Fail Warning

Allows the system to emit warning sound if the CPU/system/power fan is not connected or fails. Check the fan condition or fan connection when this occurs. (Default: Disabled)

#### ∽ CPU Smart FAN Control

Enables or disables the CPU fan speed control function. **Enabled** allows the CPU fan to run at different speed according to the CPU temperature. You can adjust the fan speed with EasyTune based on system requirements. If disabled, the CPU fan runs at full speed. (Default: Enabled)

### ∽ CPU Smart FAN Mode

Specifies how to control CPU fan speed. This item is configurable only if **CPU Smart FAN Control** is set to **Enabled**.

- Auto Lets the BIOS automatically detect the type of CPU fan installed and sets the optimal CPU fan control mode. (Default)
- ✤ Voltage Sets Voltage mode for a 3-pin CPU fan.
- ▶ PWM Sets PWM mode for a 4-pin CPU fan.

Note: The **Voltage** mode can be set for a 3-pin CPU fan or a 4-pin CPU fan. However, for a 4-pin CPU fan that is not designed following Intel PWM fan specifications, selecting **PWM** mode may not effectively reduce the fan speed.

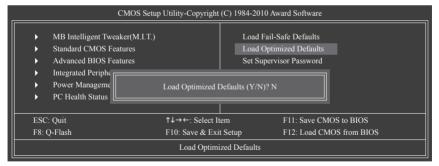
# 2-9 Load Fail-Safe Defaults

	CMOS Setup	Utility-Copyright	(C) 1984-2010 Av	vard Software	
> > >	MB Intelligent Tweaker(M.I.T.) Standard CMOS Features Advanced BIOS Features Integrated Peripher		Load Optir	Safe Defaults nized Defaults isor Password	
•	Power Manageme PC Health Status	Load Fail-Safe D	Defaults (Y/N)? N		
ESC	: Quit	↑↓→←: Select I	tem	F11: Save CMOS	to BIOS
F8: 0	Q-Flash	F10: Save & Exi	t Setup	F12: Load CMOS	S from BIOS
		Load Fail-S	afe Defaults		

Press <Enter> on this item and then press the <Y> key to load the safest BIOS default settings.

In case system instability occurs, you may try to load Fail-Safe defaults, which are the safest and most stable BIOS settings for the motherboard.

# 2-10 Load Optimized Defaults



Press <Enter> on this item and then press the <Y> key to load the optimal BIOS default settings.

The BIOS defaults settings help the system to operate in optimum state. Always load the Optimized defaults after updating the BIOS or after clearing the CMOS values.

# 2-11 Set Supervisor/User Password

	CMOS Setup Utility-Copyrig	ht (C) 1984-2010 Award Software
	Standard CMOS Features     Advanced BIOS Features     Integrated Periphe     Power Manageme     Enter Password:	Load Fail-Safe Defaults Load Optimized Defaults Set Supervisor Password
E	ESC: Quit ↑↓→←: Selec	Item F11: Save CMOS to BIOS
F	8: Q-Flash F10: Save & E	xit Setup F12: Load CMOS from BIOS
	Change/Set/	Disable Password

Press <Enter> on this item and type the password with up to 8 characters and then press <Enter>. You will be requested to confirm the password. Type the password again and press <Enter>.

The BIOS Setup program allows you to specify two separate passwords:

#### Supervisor Password

When a system password is set and the **Password Check** item in **Advanced BIOS Features** is set to **Setup**, you must enter the supervisor password for entering BIOS Setup and making BIOS changes. When the **Password Check** item is set to **System**, you must enter the supervisor password (or user password) at system startup and when entering BIOS Setup.

#### User Password

When the **Password Check** item is set to **System**, you must enter the supervisor password (or user password) at system startup to continue system boot. In BIOS Setup, you must enter the supervisor password if you wish to make changes to BIOS settings. The user password only allows you to view the BIOS settings but not to make changes.

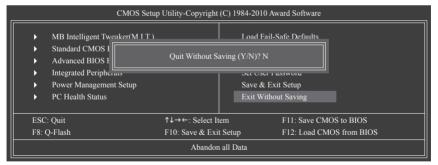
To clear the password, press <Enter> on the password item and when requested for the password, press <Enter> again. The message "PASSWORD DISABLED" will appear, indicating the password has been cancelled.

# 2-12 Save & Exit Setup

CMOS Setup	Utility-Copyright (C) 198	4-2010 Award Software
MB Intelligent Tweaker(MIT)     Standard CMOS I     Advanced BIOS I     Integrated Peripheraas     Power Management Setup     PC Health Status	Save to CMOS and EXIT	ad Fail-Safe Defaults (Y/N)? Y Save & Exit Setup Exit Without Saving
ESC: Quit	↑↓→←: Select Item	F11: Save CMOS to BIOS
F8: Q-Flash	F10: Save & Exit Setup	F12: Load CMOS from BIOS
	Save Data to CM0	08

Press <Enter> on this item and press the <Y> key. This saves the changes to the CMOS and exits the BIOS Setup program. Press <N> or <Esc> to return to the BIOS Setup Main Menu.

# 2-13 Exit Without Saving



Press <Enter> on this item and press the <Y> key. This exits the BIOS Setup without saving the changes made in BIOS Setup to the CMOS. Press <N> or <Esc> to return to the BIOS Setup Main Menu.

# Chapter 3 Drivers Installation



Before installing the drivers, first install the operating system.

After installing the operating system, insert the motherboard driver disk into your optical drive. The driver Autorun screen is automatically displayed which looks like that shown in the screen shot below. (If the driver Autorun screen does not appear automatically, go to My Computer, double-click the optical drive and execute the **Run**.exe program.)

# 3-1 Installing Chipset Drivers



After inserting the driver disk, "Xpress Install" will automatically scan your system and then list all the drivers that are recommended to install. You can click the **Install All** button and "Xpress Install" will install all the recommended drivers. Or click **Install Single Items** to manually select the drivers you wish to install.

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een	Version: 5.10.0.6077 OR 6.0.1.6077	
	Size:192.65MB	
	Realtek High Definition Audio Driver	
	Realtek 8111/8168 LAN driver for gigabit (Vista)	
	Version 6 236 0322 2010	
	Size 9.83MB	



Please ignore the popup dialog box(es) (e.g. the Found New Hardware Wizard) displayed when "Xpress Install" is installing the drivers. Failure to do so may affect the driver installation.

- Some device drivers will restart your system automatically during the driver installation. After the system restart, "Xpress Install" will continue to install other drivers.
- After "Xpress Install" installs all of the drivers, a dialog box will appear asking whether to install new GIGABYTE utilities. Click Yes to automatically install the utilities. Or click No if you want to manually select the utilities to install on the Application Software page later.
- For USB 2.0 driver support under the Windows XP operating system, please install the Windows XP Service Pack 1 or later. After installing the SP1 (or later), if a question mark still exists in Universal Serial Bus Controller in Device Manager, please remove the question mark (by right-clicking your mouse and select Uninstall) and restart the system. (The system will then autodetect and install the USB 2.0 driver.)

# 3-2 Application Software

This page displays all the utilities and applications that GIGABYTE develops and some free software. You can click the **Install** button on the right of an item to install it.

Chipset Drivers	Install Application Programs Click the "Install" button on the right of an application to install it.
Application	Install GIGABYTE Utilities Install Application Software Install New Utilities
Software	G.O.M. (Gigabyto Online Manager)
Technical Manuals	Size 9 11/48 A web-based system management tool that allows client system hardware information such as CPU and memory and graphics card and much more to be monitored or controlled via a host.
Contact	EasyTune 6
	Size 22 31MB
System	An easy-to-use Windows-based system enhancement utility allowing quick access to a variety of performance features.
	DMI Viewer
Download Center	Size 2.85MB
Center	DMI Viewer provides a management tool for viewing motherboard hardware information.
Auto	Face-Wizard
Green	Size:3.02MB
	Face Wizard provides utility for customizing BIOS boot up screen.
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# 3-3 Technical Manuals

This page provides GIGABYTE's application guides, content descriptions for this driver disk, and the motherboard manuals.

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# 3-4 Contact

For the detailed contact information of the GIGABYTE Taiwan headquarter or worldwide branch offices, click the URL on this page to link to the GIGABYTE website.



# 3-5 System

This page provides the basic system information.



# 3-6 Download Center

To update the BIOS, drivers, or applications, click the **Download Center** button to link to the GIGABYTE website. The latest version of the BIOS, drivers, or applications will be displayed.

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Download	Size 6 85MB	
Center	This utility installs INF files that inform the operating system how to properly configure the chipset for specific functionality such as PCI-Express or USB interface.	
	Realtek HD Audio Driver	
g Green	Version:5.10.0.6077 OR 6.0.1.6077	
	Size: 192.65MB	
	Realtek High Definition Audio Driver	
	Realtek 8111/8168 LAN driver for gigabit (Vista)	_
	Version:6.236.0322.2010	
	Size 9.83MB	
	For Vista used	-

# 3-7 New Utilities

This page provides a quick link to GIGABYTE's lately developed utilities for users to install. You can click the **Install** button on the right of an item to install it.

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# Chapter 4 Unique Features

### 4-1 Xpress Recovery2



Xpress Recovery2 is a utility that allows you to quickly compress and back up your system data and perform restoration of it. Supporting NTFS, FAT32, and FAT16 file systems, Xpress Recovery2 can back up data on PATA and SATA hard drives and restore it.

#### Before You Begin:

- Xpress Recovery2 will check the first physical hard drive<sup>(Note)</sup> for the operating system. Xpress Recovery2 can only back up/restore the first physical hard drive that has the operating system installed.
- As Xpress Recovery2 will save the backup file at the end of the hard drive, make sure to leave enough unallocated space in advanced (10 GB or more is recommended; actual size requirements vary, depending on the amount of data).
- It is recommended to back up your system soon after the operating system and drivers are installed.
- The amount of data and hard drive access speed may affect the speed at which the data is backed up/ restored.
- · It takes longer to back up a hard drive than to restore it.

#### System Requirements:

- · At least 512 MB of system memory
- · VESA compatible graphics card
- · Windows XP with SP1 or later, Windows Vista



- Xpress Recovery and Xpress Recovery2 are different utilities. For example, a backup file created with Xpress Recovery cannot be restored using Xpress Recovery2.
- · USB hard drives are not supported.
- · Hard drives in RAID/AHCI mode are not supported.

#### Installation and Configuration:

Turn on your system to boot from the Windows Vista setup disk.

#### A. Installing Windows Vista and Partitioning the Hard Drive

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#### Click Drive options.



Click New.

(Note) Xpress Recovery2 checks the first physical hard drive in the following sequence: The first PATA IDE connector, the second PATA IDE connector, the first SATA connector, the second SATA connector and so forth. For example, when hard drives are attached to the first IDE and the first SATA connectors, the hard drive on the first IDE connector is the first physical drive. When hard drives are attached to the first and second SATA connectors, the hard drive on the first SATA connector is the first physical drive.

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#### Step 3:

When partitioning your hard drive, make sure to leave unallocated space (10 GB or more is recommended; actual size requirements vary, depending on the amount of data) and begin the installation of the operating system.



Step 4:

After the operating system is installed, right-click the **Computer** icon on your desktop and select **Manage**. Go to **Disk Management** to check disk allocation.

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#### Step 5:

Xpress Recovery2 will save the backup file to the unallocated space (black stripe along the top). Please note that if there is no enough unallocated space, Xpress Recovery2 cannot save the backup file.

#### B. Accessing Xpress Recovery2

- 1. Boot from the motherboard driver disk to access Xpress Recovery2 for the first time. When you see the following message: Press any key to startup Xpress Recovery2, press any key to enter Xpress Recovery2.
- After you use the backup function in Xpress Recovery2 for the first time, Xpress Recovery2 will stay
  permanent in your hard drive. If you wish to enter Xpress Recovery2 later, simply press <F9> during the
  POST.

#### C. Using the Backup Function in Xpress Recovery2



Step 1:

Select **BACKUP** to start backing up your hard drive data.

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#### Step 2:

When finished, go to **Disk Management** to check disk allocation.

#### D. Using the Restore Function in Xpress Recovery2



Select **RESTORE** to restore the backup to your hard drive in case the system breaks down. The **RESTORE** option will not be present if no backup is created before.

#### E. Removing the Backup



Step 1: If you wish to remove the backup file, select **REMOVE**.



#### Step 2:

After the backup file is removed, no backup image file will be present in **Disk Management** and hard drive space will be freed up.



F. Exiting Xpress Recovery2

Select REBOOT to exit Xpress Recovery2.

# 4-2 BIOS Update Utilities

GIGABYTE motherboards provide two unique BIOS update tools, Q-Flash<sup>™</sup> and @BIOS<sup>™</sup>. GIGABYTE Q-Flash and @BIOS are easy-to-use and allow you to update the BIOS without the need to enter MS-DOS mode. Additionally, this motherboard features the DualBIOS<sup>™</sup> design, which enhances protection for the safety and stability of your computer by adding one more physical BIOS chip.



#### What is DualBIOS<sup>™</sup>?

Motherboards that support DualBIOS have two BIOS onboard, a main BIOS and a backup BIOS. Normally, the system works on the main BIOS. However, if the

main BIOS is corrupted or damaged, the backup BIOS will take over on the next system boot and copy the BIOS file to the main BIOS to ensure normal system operation. For the sake of system safety, users cannot update the backup BIOS manually.



#### What is Q-Flash<sup>™</sup>?

With Q-Flash you can update the system BIOS without having to enter operating systems like MS-DOS or Window first. Embedded in the BIOS, the Q-Flash tool

frees you from the hassles of going through complicated BIOS flashing process.



#### What is @BIOS<sup>™</sup>?

@BIOS allows you to update the system BIOS while in the Windows environment. @BIOS will download the latest BIOS file from the nearest @BIOS server

site and update the BIOS.

### 4-2-1 Updating the BIOS with the Q-Flash Utility

#### A. Before You Begin

- 1. From GIGABYTE's website, download the latest compressed BIOS update file that matches your motherboard model.
- Extract the file and save the new BIOS file (e.g. p55s3.f1) to your USB flash drive or USB hard drive. Note: The USB flash drive or hard drive must use FAT32/16/12 file system.
- 3. Restart the system. During the POST, press the <End> key to enter Q-Flash. Note: You can access Q-Flash by either pressing the <End> key during the POST or pressing the <F8> key in BIOS Setup. However, if the BIOS update file is saved to a hard drive in RAID/AHCI mode or a hard drive attached to an independent SATA controller, use the <End> key during the POST to access Q-Flash.



Because BIOS flashing is potentially risky, please do it with caution. Inadequate BIOS flashing may result in system malfunction.

### B. Updating the BIOS

When updating the BIOS, choose the location where the BIOS file is saved. The following procedure assumes that you save the BIOS file to a USB flash drive.

Step 1:

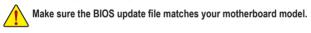
 Insert the USB flash drive containing the BIOS file into the computer. In the main menu of Q-Flash, use the up or down arrow key to select Update BIOS from Drive and press <Enter>.



- The Save Main BIOS to Drive option allows you to save the current BIOS file.
- Q-Flash only supports USB flash drive or hard drives using FAT32/16/12 file system.
  - If the BIOS update file is saved to a hard drive in RAID/AHCI mode or a hard drive attached to an independent SATA controller, use the <End> key during the POST to access Q-Flash.
- 2. Select HDD 0-0 and press <Enter>.

Q-	Flash Utility v2.15	
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HDD 0-0	<drive></drive>	
Enter		Off
Total size : 0	Free size : 0	

3. Select the BIOS update file and press <Enter>.



#### Step 2:

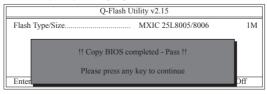
The process of the system reading the BIOS file from the USB flash drive is displayed on the screen. When the message "Are you sure to update BIOS?" appears, press <Enter> to begin the BIOS update. The monitor will display the update process.



- Do not turn off or restart the system when the system is reading/updating the BIOS.
- Do not remove the USB flash drive or hard drive when the system is updating the BIOS.

#### Step 3:

When the update process is complete, press any key to return to the main menu.



Step 4:

Press <Esc> and then <Enter> to exit Q-Flash and reboot the system. As the system boots, you should see the new BIOS version is present on the POST screen.

Step 5:

During the POST, press <Delete> to enter BIOS Setup. Select Load Optimized Defaults and press <Enter> to load BIOS defaults. System will re-detect all peripheral devices after a BIOS update, so we recommend that you reload BIOS defaults.

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Press <Y> to load BIOS defaults

Step 6:

Select **Save & Exit Setup** and then press <Y> to save settings to CMOS and exit BIOS Setup. The procedure is complete after the system restarts.

## 4-2-2 Updating the BIOS with the @BIOS Utility

### A. Before You Begin

- In Windows, close all applications and TSR (Terminate and Stay Resident) programs. This helps prevent 1. unexpected failures when performing a BIOS update.
- 2. During the BIOS update process, ensure the Internet connection is stable and do NOT interrupt the Internet connection (for example, avoid a power loss or switching off the Internet). Failure to do so may result in a corrupted BIOS or a system that is unable to start.
- 3. Do not use the G.O.M. (GIGABYTE Online Management) function when using @BIOS.
- 4. GIGABYTE product warranty does not cover any BIOS damage or system failure resulting from an inadequate BIOS flashing.

### B. Using @BIOS

@BIOS CURRENT MOTHERBOARD	0 000
Flash Memory Type : MXIC 25L8005/8006	Update BIOS from GIGABYTE Server
Flash Memory Size : 8M bits	Update BIOS from File
BIOS Sign on Message : P55-S3 E12	Save Current BIOS to File
BIOS Vendor : AWARD BIOS	Save current bios to rile
	About @BIOS
Clear DMI data Pool	GIGABYTE

### 1. Update BIOS from GIGABYTE Server 🛃 Update the BIOS Using the Internet Update Function:

Click Update BIOS from GIGABYTE Server, select the @BIOS server site closest to your location and then download the BIOS file that matches your motherboard model. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete.



If the BIOS update file for your motherboard is not present on the @BIOS server site, please manually download the BIOS update file from GIGABYTE's website and follow the instructions in "Update the BIOS without Using the Internet Update Function" below.

#### 2. Update BIOS from File Update the BIOS without Using the Internet Update Function:

Click Update BIOS from File, then select the location where you save the BIOS update file obtained from the Internet or through other source. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete.

#### 3. Save the Current BIOS to File

Click Save Current BIOS to File to save the current BIOS file.

### 4. S Load CMOS default after BIOS update Load BIOS Defaults after BIOS Update:

Select the Load CMOS default after BIOS update check box and then the system will automatically load BIOS defaults after BIOS update and after the system restarts.

### C. After Updating the BIOS

Restart your system after updating the BIOS.



Make sure that the BIOS file to be flashed matches your motherboard model. Updating the BIOS with an incorrect BIOS file could cause your system not to boot.

# 4-3 EasyTune 6

GIGABYTE's EasyTune 6 is a simple and easy-to-use interface that allows users to fine-tune their system settings or do overclock/overvoltage in Windows environment. The user-friendly EasyTune 6 interface also includes tabbed pages for CPU and memory information, letting users read their system-related information without the need to install additional software.

#### The EasyTune 6 Interface



#### **Tabs Information**

Tab	Function
CPU	The CPU tab provides information on the installed CPU and motherboard.
Memory	The <b>Memory</b> tab provides information on the installed memory module(s). You can select memory
	module on a specific slot to see its information.
Uner 😡	The <b>Tuner</b> tab allows you to change system clock settings and voltages.
	<ul> <li>Quick Boost mode provides you with 3 levels of CPU frequency/base clock to choose to achieve desired system performance.<sup>(Note)</sup></li> </ul>
	After making changes in <b>Quick Boost mode</b> or clicking <b>Default</b> to restore to default values, be sure to restart your system for these changes to take effect.
	<ul> <li>Easy mode allows you to adjust the CPU base clock only.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Advanced mode allows you to individually change system clock settings and voltages settings using the sliders.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Save allows you to save the current settings to a new profile (.txt file).</li> </ul>
	Load allows you to load previous settings from a profile.
	After making changes in Easy mode/Advanced mode, be sure to click Set for these changes to take effect or click Default to restore to default values.
Graphics	The <b>Graphics</b> tab allows you to change the core clock and memory clock for your ATI or NVIDIA graphics card.
Smart	The <b>Smart</b> tab allows you to specify a Smart Fan mode. Smart Fan Advanced mode allows the CPU fan speed to be changed linearly based on the CPU temperature thresholds you set.
HW Monitor	The HW Monitor tab allows you to monitor hardware temperature, voltage and fan speed and set
	temperature/fan speed alarm. You can choose the alert sound from the buzzer or use your own sound file (.wav file).
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(Note) Due to the hardware limitation, you must install a DDR3 1066 MHz memory module(s) (or above) to enable support for Quick Boost.



Available functions in EasyTune 6 may differ by motherboard model. Grayed-out area(s) indicates that the item is not configurable or the function is not supported.



Incorrectly doing overclock/overvoltage may result in damage to the hardware components such as CPU, chipset, and memory and reduce the useful life of these components. Before you do the overclock/overvoltage, make sure that you fully know each function of EasyTune 6, or system instability or other unexpected results may occur.

# 4-4 Q-Share

Q-Share is an easy and convenient data sharing tool. After configuring your LAN connection settings and Q-Share, you are able to share your data with computers on the same network, making full use of Internet resources.



#### Directions for using Q-Share

After installing Q-Share from the motherboard driver disk, go to Start>All Programs>GIGABYTE>Q-Share. exe to launch the Q-Share tool. Find the **Q-Share** icon **i** in the notification area and right-click on this icon to configure the data sharing settings.

Enable Incoming Folder	
Open Incoming Folder : C:\Q-ShareFolder	
Change Incoming Folder : C:\Q-ShareFolder	

Connect ... Disable Incoming Folder ... Incoming folder ... ▶ Ωpen Incoming Folder : CAQ-ShareFolder Update Q-Share ... About Q-Share ... Exit...

Figure 1. Data Sharing Disabled

Figure 2. Data Sharing Enabled

#### **Options Descriptions**

Description
Displays the computers with data sharing enabled
Enables data sharing
Disables data sharing
Accesses the shared data folder
Changes the data folder to be shared (Note)
Updates Q-Share online
Displays the current Q-Share version
Exits Q-Share

(Note) This option is available only when data sharing is NOT enabled.

#### 4.5 Auto Green

Auto Green is an easy-to-use tool that provides users with simple options to enable system power savings via a Bluetooth cell phone. When the phone is out of the range of the computer's Bluetooth receiver, the system will enter the specified power saving mode.



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#### The Configuration dialog box:

First, you have to set your Bluetooth cell phone as a portable key. On the Auto Green main menu, click Configure and then click Configure BT devices. Select the Bluetooth cell phone that you want to use as the portable key(Note 1). (If the screen doesn't display your Bluetooth cell phone, click Refresh to let Auto Green re-detect the device.)



Before creating a Bluetooth cell phone key, make sure your motherboard has a Bluetooth receiver and you have turned on the search and Bluetooth functions on your phone.

#### Configuring the Bluetooth cell phone key:

After you select a cell phone, the Add Bluetooth Device Wizard as shown on the left will appear. Enter a passkey (8~16 digits recommended) which will be used for pairing with the cell phone. Then enter the same passkey on your cell phone.

#### Configuring other Bluetooth settings:

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On the Other Settings tab, you can set how much time it takes to scan your Bluetooth cell phone key, how many times to rescan the key to make sure it is in range of your computer, and when to turn off the hard drive if the system energy saving state lasts over the predetermined period of time. After completing the settings, click Set for the settings to take effect and then click Exit to guit.

Device Scan Time (sec.):

Set the length of time Auto Green scans your Bluetooth cell phone key, ranging from 5 to 30 seconds in 5-second increment. Auto Green searches for the key based on the length of time you set.

Rescan Times:

Set how many times Auto Green will rescan your Bluetooth cell phone key if it does not detect it, ranging from 2 to 5 times. Auto Green will keep rescanning according to the times you set. When the times limit is reached and your Bluetooth cell phone key is still not detected, the system will enter the selected energy saving mode.

Turn off HD.

Set when to turn off the hard drive. If the system inactivity time exceeds the specified time limit, the hard drive will be turned off.



Selecting a system energy saving mode:

Depending on your needs, select a system power saving mode on the Auto Green main menu and click Save to save the settings.

Button	Description
Standby	Enters Power on Suspend mode
Suspend	Enters Suspend to RAM mode
Disable	Disables this function

The Bluetooth dongle included in the motherboard package<sup>(Note 2)</sup> allows you to wake up the system from Suspend to RAM mode without the need to press the power button first.

- If your cell phone has been configured as the Auto Green key, you'll not be able to use it to connect to other (Note 1) Bluetooth device(s) when Auto Green is enabled.
- (Note 2) Whether the Bluetooth dongle is included depends on the motherboard models. Before installing the Bluetooth dongle, be sure to turn off other Bluetooth receiver on your computer.

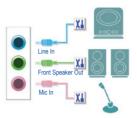
# Chapter 5 Appendix

# 5-1 Configuring Audio Input and Output

### 5-1-1 Configuring 2/4/5.1/7.1-Channel Audio

The motherboard provides three audio jacks on the back panel which support  $2/4/5.1/7.1^{(Note)}$ -channel audio. The picture to the right shows the default audio jack assignments.

The integrated HD (High Definition) audio provides jack retasking capability that allows the user to change the function for each jack through the audio driver.





- To install a microphone, connect your microphone to the Mic in jack and manually configure the jack for microphone functionality.
- Audio signals will be present on both of the front and back panel audio connections simultaneously. If you want to mute the back panel audio (only supported when using an HD front panel audio module), refer to instructions on the page 67.

#### High Definition Audio (HD Audio)

HD Audio includes multiple high quality digital-to-analog converters (DACs) that support 44.1KHz/48KHz/ 96KHz/192KHz sampling rate. HD Audio features multistreaming capabilities that allow multiple audio streams (in and out) to be simultaneously processed. For example, users can listen to MP3 music, have an Internet chat, make a telephone call over the Internet, and etc. all at the same time.

### A. Configuring Speakers

(The following instructions use Windows Vista as the example operating system.)

Step 1:

After installing the audio driver, the **HD Audio Manager** icon **()** will appear in the notification area. Double-click the icon to access the **HD Audio Manager**.



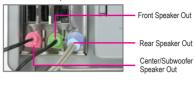
(Note) 2/4/5.1/7.1-Channel Audio Configurations:

Refer to the following for multi-channel speaker configurations.

- · 2-channel audio: Headphone or Line out.
- · 4-channel audio: Front speaker out and Rear speaker out.
- 5.1-channel audio: Front speaker out, Rear speaker out, and Center/Subwoofer speaker out.
- 7.1-channel audio: Front speaker out, Rear speaker out, Center/Subwoofer speaker out, and Side speaker out. (Please refer to the configurations on next page.)

The pictures to the right show the 7.1-channel speaker configurations.

#### 7.1-Channel Speakers:





Side Speaker Out

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#### Step 2:

Connect an audio device to an audio jack. The The current connected device is dialog box appears. Select the device according to the type of device you connect. Then click OK.

#### Step 3:

On the Speakers screen, click the Speaker Configuration tab. In the Speaker Configuration list, select Stereo, Quadraphonic, 5.1 Speaker, or 7.1 Speaker according to the type of speaker configuration you wish to set up. Then the speaker setup is completed.



You may configure an audio environment on the Sound Effects tab.



### C. Activating an AC'97 Front Panel Audio Module

If your chassis provides an AC'97 front panel audio module, to activate the AC'97 functionality, click the tool icon on the **Speaker Configuration** tab. On the **Connector Settings** dialog box, select the **Disable front panel jack detection** check box. Click **OK** to complete.

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### D. Muting the Back Panel Audio (For HD Audio Only)

Click Device advanced settings on the top right corner on the Speaker Configuration tab to open the Device advanced settings dialog box. Select the Mute the rear output device, when a front headphone plugged in check box. Click OK to complete.

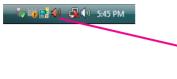
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## 5-1-2 Configuring Microphone Recording

Step 1:

After installing the audio driver, the **HD Audio Manager** icon **and** will appear in the notification area. Double-click the icon to access the **HD Audio Manager**.





#### Step 2:

Connect your microphone to the Mic in jack (pink) on the back panel or the Mic in jack (pink) on the front panel. Then configure the jack for microphone functionality.

Note: The microphone functions on the front panel and back panel cannot be used at the same time.



#### Step 3:

Go to the **Microphone** screen. Do not mute the recording volume, or you'll not be able to record the sound. To hear the sound being recorded during the recording process, do not mute the playback volume. It is recommended that you set the volumes at a middle level.

> If you want to change the current sound input default device to microphone, right-click on **Mi-**

crophone and select Set Default Device.





Step 4:

To raise the recording and playback volume for the microphone, click the **Microphone Boost** icon 😰 on the right of the **Recording Volume** slider and set the Microphone Boost level.





#### Step 5:

After completing the settings above, click **Start**, point to **All Programs**, point to **Accessories**, and then click **Sound Recorder** to begin the sound recording.



### \* Enabling Stereo Mix

If the HD Audio Manager does not display the recording device you wish to use, refer to the steps below. The following steps explain how to enable Stereo Mix (which may be needed when you want to record sound from your computer).

#### Step 1:

Locate the **Volume** icon **M** in the notification area and right-click on this icon. Select **Recording Devices**.



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### Step 2:

On the **Recording** tab, right-click on an empty space and select **Show Disabled Devices**.



#### Step 3:

When the **Stereo Mix** item appears, right-click on this item and select **Enable**. Then set it as the default device.



Step 4:

Now you can access the HD Audio Manager to configure Stereo Mix and use Sound Recorder to record the sound.

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## 5-1-3 Using the Sound Recorder



### A. Recording Sound

- 1. Make sure you have connected the sound input device (e.g. microphone) to the computer.
- 2. To record the audio, click the **Start Recording** button start Recording.
- 3. To stop recording audio, click the **Stop Recording** button Stop Recording.

Be sure to save the recorded audio file upon completion.

### B. Playing the Recorded Sound

You can play your recording in a digital media player program that supports your audio file format.

# 5-2 Troubleshooting

### 5-2-1 Frequently Asked Questions

To read more FAQs for your motherboard, please go to the Support&Downloads\Motherboard\FAQ page on GIGABYTE's website.

- Q: In the BIOS Setup program, why are some BIOS options missing?
- A: Some advanced options are hidden in the BIOS Setup program. Press <Delete> to enter BIOS Setup during the POST. In the Main Menu, press <Ctrl>+<F1> to show the advanced options.
- Q: Why is the light of my keyboard/optical mouse still on after the computer shuts down?
- A: Some motherboards provide a small amount of standby power after the computer shuts down and that's why the light is still on.
- Q: How do I clear the CMOS values?
- A: For motherboards that have a CMOS\_SW button, press this button to clear the CMOS values (before doing this, please turn off the computer and unplug the power cord). For motherboards that have a clearing CMOS jumper, refer to the instructions on the CLR\_CMOS jumper in Chapter 1 to short the jumper to clear the CMOS values. If your board doesn't have this jumper, refer to the instructions on the motherboard battery in Chapter 1. You can temporarily remove the battery from the battery holder to stop supplying power to the CMOS, which will clear the CMOS values after about one minute.
- Q: Why do I still get a weak sound even though I have turned my speaker to the maximum volume?
- A: Make sure your speaker is equipped with an internal amplifier. If not, try a speaker with power/amplifier.
- Q: Why cannot I install the onboard HD audio driver successfully? (For Windows XP only)
- A: Step 1: First, make sure Service Pack 1 or Service Pack 2 has been installed (check in My Computer > Properties > General > System). If not, please update it from Microsoft's website. Then make sure the Microsoft UAA Bus Driver for High Definition Audio has been installed successfully (check in My Computer > Properties > Hardware > Device Manager > System Devices).
  - Step 2: Check if Audio Device on High Definition Audio Bus or Unknown device is present in Device Manager or Sound, video, and game controllers. If yes, please disable this device. (If not, skip this step.)
  - Step 3: Then go back to My Computer > Properties > Hardware > Device Manager > System devices and right-click on Microsoft UAA Bus Driver for High Definition Audio and select Disable and Uninstall.
  - Step 4: In Device Manager, right-click on the computer name and select Scan for hardware changes. When the Add New Hardware Wizard appears, click Cancel. Then install the onboard HD audio driver from the motherboard driver disk or download the audio driver from GIGABYTE's website to install.

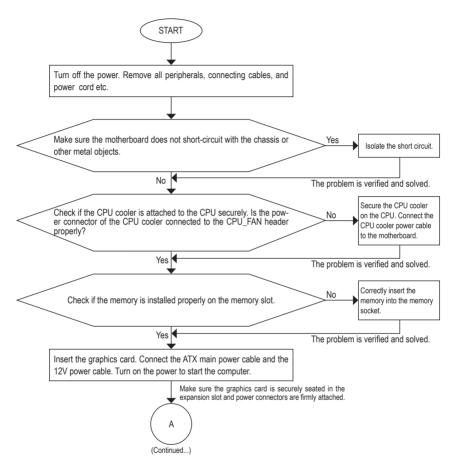
For more details, go to the Support&Downloads\Motherboards\FAQ page on our website and search for "onboard HD audio driver."

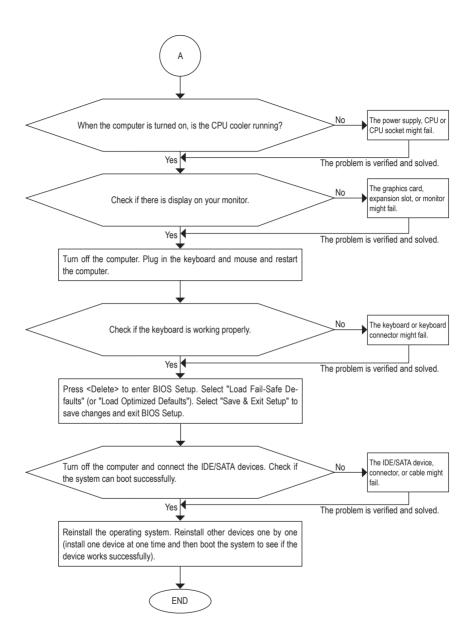
- Q: What do the beeps emitted during the POST mean?
- A: The following Award BIOS beep code descriptions may help you identify possible computer problems.

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1 short: System boots successfully	1 long, 3 short: Keyboard error
2 short: CMOS setting error	1 long, 9 short: BIOS ROM error
1 long, 1 short: Memory or motherboard error	Continuous long beeps: Graphics card not inserted properly
1 long, 2 short: Monitor or graphics card error	Continuous short beeps: Power error

### 5-2-2 Troubleshooting Procedure

If you encounter any troubles during system startup, follow the troubleshooting procedure below to solve the problem.







If the procedure above is unable to solve your problem, contact the place of purchase or local dealer for help. Or go to the **Support&Downloads\Technical Service Zone** page to submit your question. Our customer service staff will reply you as soon as possible.

# 5-3 Regulatory Statements

### **Regulatory Notices**

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and the environment. For more information about where you can drop off your waste equipment for recycling, please contact your local government office, your household waste disposal service or where you purchased the product for details of environmentally safe recycling.

- When your electrical or electronic equipment is no longer useful to you, "take it back" to your local or regional waste collection administration for recycling.
- If you need further assistance in recycling, reusing in your "end of life" product, you may contact us at the Customer Care number listed in your product's user's manual and we will be glad to help you with your effort.

Finally, we suggest that you practice other environmentally friendly actions by understanding and using the energy-saving features of this product (where applicable), recycling the inner and outer packaging (including shipping containers) this product was delivered in, and by disposing of or recycling used batteries properly. With your help, we can reduce the amount of natural resources needed to produce electrical and electronic equipment, minimize the use of landfills for the disposal of "end of life" products, and generally improve our quality of life by ensuring that potentially hazardous substances are not released into the environment and are disposed of properly.

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芯片及其他主动零件 Chip and other Active components	×	0	0	0	0	0
连接器 Connectors	×	0	0	0	0	0
被动电子元器件 Passive Components	×	0	0	0	0	0
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