FCC & DOC Compliance

Federal Communications Commission Statement

This device complies with FCC Rules Part 155. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- This device may not cause harmful interference
- This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy. If this equipment is not installed and used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, it may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment to an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

The use of shielded cables for connection of the monitor to the graphics card is required to assure compliance with FCC regulations. Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

Canadian Department of Communications Statement

This digital apparatus does not exceed the Class B limits for audio noise emissions from digital apparatusses set out in the Radio Interference Regulations of the Canadian Department of Communications.

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1-1 Product Specifications

❑ **CPU**
- Supports up to 200MHz Intel Pentium® processors and up to 233MHz Pentium® processors with **MMX™** technology
- Supports Intel Pentium® P54CTB **OverDrive** processors
- Supports Cyrix/IBM 6x86™ (processor rev. 2.7 or later)/6x86L™ PR120⁺ ~ PR200⁺ and **6x86MX™** PR166⁺ ~ PR233⁺ processors
- Supports AMD-K5™ PR75 ~ PR166 processors and up to 233 MHz **K6™** processors
- Supports IDT *WinChip* C6 180 ~ 200MHz processors
- Supports 50/60/66 MHz system clock speeds
- 321-pin ZIF Socket 7
- High efficiency **Switching Power module**

⚠️ Supports 68/75/83MHz system clock for over-clocking possibility

❑ **Main Memory**
- Two 5V 72-Pin SIMM sockets support 4/8/16/32MB, 32/36-bit, DRAM memory modules
- Two 3.3V unbuffered 168-pin DIMM sockets support 8/16/32/64/128MB, 64/72-bit DRAM memory modules
- Support Synchronous(12ns or faster)/EDO/FPM(70ns or faster) DRAM modules
- Maximum 256MB memory size

❑ **Cache Memory**
- Standard 512KB (64k*64x1) Pipe-lined Burst SRAM on board

❑ **I/O Slots**
- Three 16-bit ISA slots
- Four 32-bit PCI slots (all are Master Mode, PCI 2.1 compliant)

❑ **BIOS**
- Award System BIOS
- 1Mb Flash ROM
- Supports PnP, APM, DMI & multi-device such as HDD (IDE, SCSI), CD-ROM, LS120, ZIP-ATAPI, booting features
- Built-in SYMBIOS SCSI BIOS

❏ **Chipset**
- Intel **82430TX** two chip PCIset

❏ **On Board Ultra I/O Functions**
- ITE8679 I/O chip
- One floppy disk drive connector supports up to 2.88MB, 3 Mode, and 1Mbps transfer rate
- Two 16550A compliant serial ports
- One Standard/ECP/EPP parallel port
- Supports IrDA IR function, up to 115.2kbps (optional)

❏ **Two Ultra DMA-33 PCI IDE Ports**
- Supports up to PIO Mode 4, Multi-word DMA Mode 2 & Ultra DMA-33 timings
- Complete Bus Master Drivers for well-known multi-tasking operating systems

❏ **Dual Channel USB Port**

⚠ Under compatibility testing with different peripherals

❏ **PCB Dimension**
- Mini-AT form factor
- 220mm x 220mm, 4-layer PCB
- Five mounting holes

❏ **Green PC**
- Meets EPA Green PC standard: power consumption under 30W in Doze, Standby or Suspend modes

❏ **Advanced Management Capability**
- Supports Software power off control, Over-ride power button, Power-on by Modem, Power-on by alarm
- Poly-fuse over-current protection for USB and keyboard

1-2 Package Contents

This product comes with the following components:

❒ One mainboard

❒ One 9-pin serial port and 25-pin parallel port ribbon cable with bracket (Figure 1-1)

❒ One 25-pin serial port ribbon cable with bracket (Figure 1-2)

❒ One 40-pin IDE connector ribbon cable (Figure 1-3)

❒ One 34-pin floppy disk drive ribbon cable (Figure 1-4)

❒ Two diskettes or One CD-ROM disk with Flash EPROM Utility & Bus Master IDE drivers

❒ One User's Manual

❒ Optional USB kit with PS/2 mouse, infrared and two USB ports (Figure 1-5)

Serial port

Parallel port

Figure 1-1

IDE cable

Figure 1-3

Floppy cable

Figure 1-4

Serial port

Figure 1-2

Infrared

CN1

PS/2 mouse

USB0

USB1
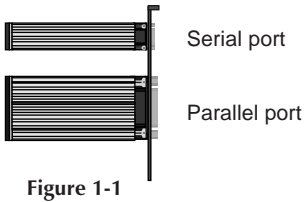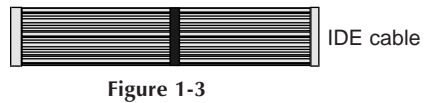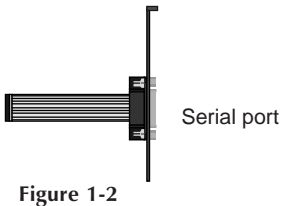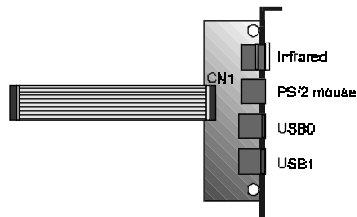
Figure 1-5 USB Kit (optional)

1-3 Mainboard Layout
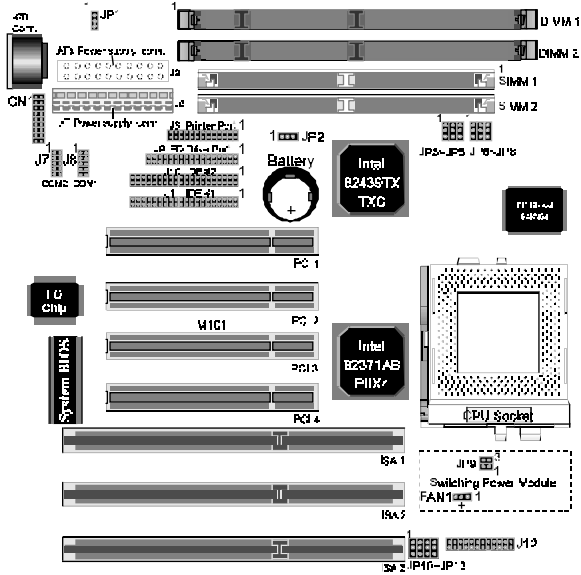
1-4 Jumper and Connector Reference Page Chart

Jumper & Connector No.	Function	Ref. page
J2	ATX power supply connector	10
J3	AT keyboard connector	14
J5	AT power supply connector	10
J12	Front panel connector set	12
	Over-ride power button connector	12
	Keyboard lock & power indicator LED connector	12
	Green switch/Green LED connector	13
	Speaker connector	13
	System reset switch connector	13
	IDE activity LED connector	13
	Turbo LED connector	13
JP1	AT/ATX power supply jumper	10
JP2	Clear CMOS data jumper	11
JP3~JP8	System frequency jumpers	7
JP10~JP13	Voltage configuration jumpers	8
JP9	Reserved for factory	--
FAN1	CPU cooling fan connector	11
CN1	USB kit connector	14
	Infrared connector	14
	PS/2 mouse connector	15
	Dual channel USB connector	15

Chapter 2

Hardware Setup

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

⚠️ **Be sure to disconnect the power cable from the power source before performing any work on your mainboard, i. e. installing a CPU, memory module, changing a jumper setting, adding or removing expansion cards etc. Not doing so may result in electrical shock or severe damage to your mainboard and peripherals!**

2-1 Introduction to Jumpers

Jumpers are used to select between various operating modes. A jumper consists of a row of gold colored pins that protrude from the surface of the mainboard. It is important not to confuse jumpers with connectors or headers.

⚠️ **Putting jumper caps on anything that is not a jumper may result in damaging your mainboard. Please refer to Section 1-3, Mainboard Layout, for the location of jumpers on your mainboard.**

As indicated in Figure 2-1 below, a cap is used to cover the pins of a jumper, resulting in shorting those pins that it covers. If the cap is removed from the top of the pins, the jumper is left "open." The number 1 shown both in the diagram below and in all multiple pin jumper and header diagrams in this manual indicates the pin designated with the number 1. The numbering of the remaining pins follows in sequence.

Pins   Cap   Setting

1   1

A 3-pin jumper   A cap over pin 1 and
                  pin 2 short these pins
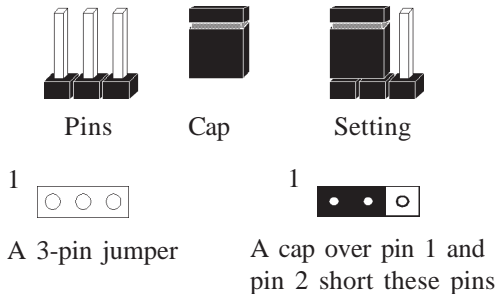
Figure 2-1

2-2 Installing a PGA type CPU in a ZIF Socket

The Intel Socket 7, designed for the Pentium processor, has been incorporated as a standard mainboard specification and is compatible with AMD and Cyrix CPUs. To insert your CPU into Socket 7 please do the following:

1. Locate a small dot marked on the top surface of the CPU close to one if it's corners. The same corner will also be cut off, leaving a noticeable notch in the CPU's corner. These markings indicate Pin 1 of the CPU. See Figure 2-2.
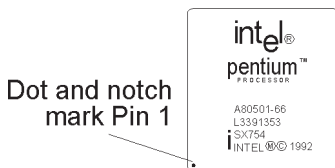
Figure 2-2 The markings on top of a CPU

2. Pull up the lever of Socket 7 so that it is perpendicular with the surface of the mainboard. Gently insert the CPU with Pin 1 at the same corner of Socket 7 that contains the end of the lever. Allow the the weight of the CPU to push itself into place. Do not apply extra pressure as doing so may result in damaging your CPU. Snap the lever back into place. See Figure 2-3.
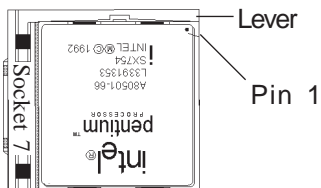
Figure 2-3 Inserting a CPU into Socket 7

Installing a heat sink and cooling fan on top of your CPU is necessary for proper heat dissipation. Failing to install these items may result in overheating and possible burn-out of your CPU.

2-3 CPU Jumper Configuration

Frequency Configuration

If you install a CPU on this mainboard, you must set **JP 6 - 8** for **System Frequency** and **JP 3-5** for **CPU Bus Frequency Ratio.** See Figure 2-4 CPU/System Frequency Jumper Settings.

CPU Bus Frequency & Frequency Ratio Configuration
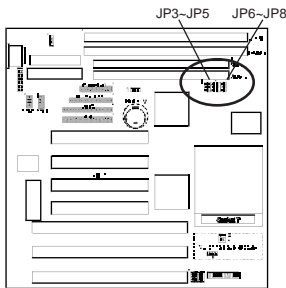
System Freq.	JP6~ JP8	Freq. Ratio	JP3~ JP5
50MHz		x1.5	
55MHz		x2	
60MHz		x2.5	
66MHz		x3	
68MHz		x3.5	
75MHz			
83MHz			

Figure 2-4 System Frequency Jumper Settings

* CPU Speed = Frequency ratio x System Frequency

Overclocking

Operating a CPU at a higher frequency than it's specification allows is called overclocking. If the CPU frequency is set at a higher frequency than it's specification allows, it may or may not run at that freqency, depending on the quality of the CPU and the extent to which the the frequency has been overset. The mainboard manufacturer highly discourages overclocking as it may result in data loss, CPU burn-out, system failure, etc.

Voltage Configuration

There are two major processor types in general use--single and dual voltage processors. Most single voltage processors such as Pentium, AMD-K5, and Cyrix 6x86 processors use a single voltage value of 3.5v for both core and I/O voltage settings. To make the voltage setting for single voltage processors, simply set **JP10 - 13** according to the table on the next page. You can short **JP9** with two jumper caps but this is optional for single voltage CPUs. Most dual voltage processors such as Pentium processors with MMX technology and Cyrix 6x86L processors use a dual voltage value of 2.8v for core and 3.3v for I/O voltage settings. To make the voltage setting for dual voltage processors, simply remove the two caps from **JP9** and set **JP10 - 13** according to the table on the next page.

⚠ **If you use a dual voltage CPU and set JP9 to the single voltage setting (put the two caps on JP9), you will cause irreversible damage to your mainboard!**

Vcore	JP10~JP13
2.2V	
2.8V	
2.9V	
3.2V	
3.3V	
3.5V	

Figure 2-5 Voltage Jumper Settings

CPU-type		CPU Power Voltage			System freq.		Freq. ratio	
		I/O Vcc	Core Vcc	JP10~JP13	MHz	JP6~JP8	Spee rate	JP3~JP5
Intel/ AMD	P54C-90, K5-PR90	3.5			60		x1.5	
	P54C-120, K5-PR120 @90MHz				60		x2	
	P54C-150, K5-PR150 @105MHz						x2.5	
	P54C-100, K5-PR100						x1.5	
	P54C-133, K5-PR133 @100MHz						x2	
	P54C-166, K5-PR166 @116.7MHz				66		x2.5	
Intel	P54C-200						x3	
	Pentium w/MMX 166MHz	3.3	2.8				x2.5	
	Pentium w/MMX 200MHz						x3	
	Pentium w/MMX 233MHz						x3.5	
Cyrix	6x86-PR150+ @120MHz	3.5			60		x2	
	6x86-PR166+ @133MHz				66			
	6x86L-PR166+ @133MHz	3.3	2.8					
	6x86L-PR200+ @150MHz				75			
	6x86MX-PR166+ @150MHz		2.9		60		x2.5	
	6x86MX-PR166+ @133MHz				66		x2	
	6x86MX-PR200+ @166MHz				66		x2.5	
	6x86MX-PR200+ @150MHz				75		x2	
AMD	K6/166	3.3	2.9		66		x2.5	
	K6/200						x3	
	K6/233		3.2				x3.5	

2-4 Connector and Jumper Settings

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

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

AT/ATX Power Supply Jumper (JP1)

1 ▪ AT Power   1 ▫ ATX Power
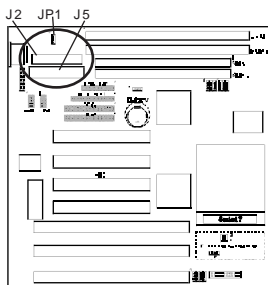
This mainboard supports two kinds of power connectors and requires a power supply of at least 200 watts. If you want to use an AT power supply, set jumper 1 to the 1 ~ 2 pin position. If you want to use the ATX power supply, set jumper 1 to the 2 ~3 pin position.
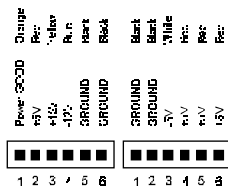
AT Power Supply Connector (J5)

Most power supplies have two sets of six-wire leads. Making sure the black wires of each lead are in the center, plug both leads into the AT power supply connector. The power supply requirement is as follows:

Output voltage	Regulation tolerance
+5 Vdc	± 5%
-5 Vdc	± 10%
+12 Vdc	± 5%
-12 Vdc	± 10%

ATX Power Supply Connector (J2)

The ATX power supply provides a single 20-pin connector interface which incorporates standard +/-5V, +/-12V, optional 3.3V and soft-power signal.
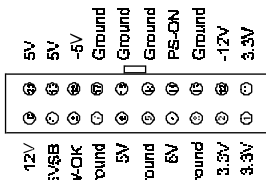
The Soft-power signal, a 5V trickle supply of at least 10mA, is continuously supplied when AC power is available. When the system is in the Soft-Off mode, this trickle supply maintains the system in it's minimum power state.

Software Power-Off Control

This mainboard can be powered down using theWindows 95 Software Power-Off function. To power down your computer, click the START button on the Windows 95 task bar. Select "Shut Down The Computer" and the system turns off. The message "It is now safe to turn off your computer" will not be shown when using this function.

Power-On By Modem

While in Soft-off state, if an external modem ring-up signal occurs, the system turns on and can be remotely accessed. Please see Power Management (Section 3-4) for setting information.

CPU Cooling Fan Connector (FAN 1)
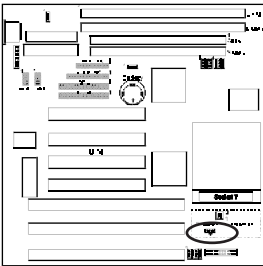
This added connector allows the fan to draw its power from the mainboard instead of the disk drive connector. This connector is available because some systems have all the disk drive power connectors in use.

Clear CMOS Data Jumper (JP2)
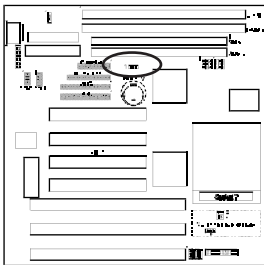
^{1} Default ^{1} Clear CMOS Data

To clear the contents of the CMOS, please follow the steps below.
1. Disconnect the system power supply from the power source.
2. Set the jumper cap at location 2~3 for 5 seconds, then set back to the default position.
3. Connect the system's power and then start the system.
4. Enter BIOS, load the setup default settings in the CMOS Setup Utility Menu and then set the system configuration in the Standard CMOS Setup menu.

Front Panel Connector Set (J12) A through G

**Over-ride Power
Button Operation**
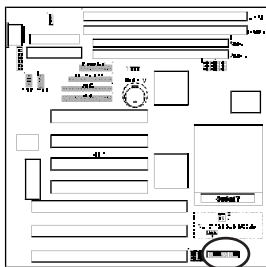
A. Over-ride Power Button Connector

The power button on the ATX chassis can be used as a normal power switch as well as a button to activate Advanced Power Management Suspend mode. This mode is used for saving electricity when the computer is not in use for long periods of time. The Soft-OFF by PWR-BTTN function in BIOS's Power Management Setup must set to "Delay 4 Sec." to activate this function. See Section 3-4 for details.
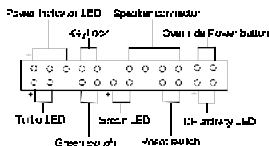
When the Soft-off by PWR-BTTN function is enabled, pushing the power button rapidly will switch the system between Full-On and Suspend mode. Pushing the button rapidly again or any occurence of external activity such as pressing a key on the keyboard will bring the system back to Full-On. Pushing the button while in Full-On for more than 4 seconds will switch the system to Soft-off and pushing the button again rapidly will turn the system back to Full-on. See Over-ride Power Button Operation diagram.
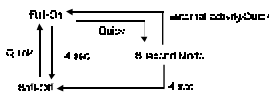
B. Keyboard Lock & Power Indicator LED Connector

Plugging this connector into the lock on the front panel of the system case allows the lock to enable or disable the keyboard. This function provides limited security against casual intruders. The power indicator LED shows the system's power status and willl flash when the system is in Green mode (Suspend).

Pin	Definition
1	+5V DC
2	Not Connected
3	Ground
4	Keylock
5	Ground

Power indicator LED — pins 1, 2, 3

Keyboard Lock — pins 4, 5

C. Green Switch/Green LED Connector

Some ATX cases provide a Green switch which is used to put the system in Suspend mode. In suspend mode, the power supply to the system is reduced to a trickle, the CPU clock is stopped, and the CPU core is in it's minimum power state. The system is woken up whenever the keyboard or mouse is touched or the Green button is pressed again. The system resumes in different ways as defined by "Power Management Setup" screen in BIOS.

D. Speaker Connector

Pin	Definition
1	Speaker Signal
2	GND
3	GND
4	+5V DC

E. System Reset Switch Connector

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

Pin	Definition
1	System
2	GND

F. IDE Activity LED Connector

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

G. Turbo LED Connector

This mainboard does not have turbo/de-turbo speed mode. Even though this function does not exist, the turbo LED will light when the LED is connected and the turbo button is pressed.

Change CPU Speed with the Keyboard

Use the following commands to change the CPU speed between turbo/de-turbo.

Set to low speed   [CTRL][ALT][-]
Set to high speed (turbo)   [CTRL] [ALT] [+]

AT Keyboard Connector (J3)
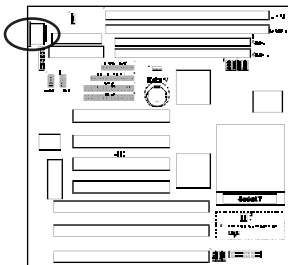
Pin	Definition
1	Keyboard Clock
2	Keyboard Data
3	(None)
4	Ground
5	+5V DC

Keyboard Connector/Pin Definitions

Poly-fuse Over Current Protection

The poly-fuse protects the system from dangerous voltages the system might be exposed to via the keyboard or USB connectors. In case of such exposure, the poly-fuse will immediately be disconnected from the circuit, just like a normal fuse. After being disconnected for a certain period of time, the poly-fuse will return to its normal state, after which the keyboard or USB can function properly. Unlike conventional fuses the poly-fuse will not have to be replaced, relieving the user wasted time and inconvenience.

USB Kit Connector (CN1) A through C
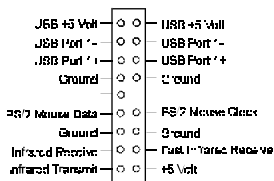
The USB Kit connector is a combination of of USB, PS/2 mouse, and Infrared functions grouped on the same connector. The USB Kit (Figure 1-5) is installed in a back panel of the chassis and is connected to the USB Kit connector with an 18-pin cable.
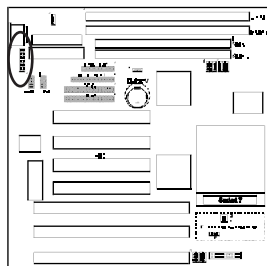
A. Infrared Connector

If you set COM2 Mode in BIOS's Integrated Peripherals menu to ASK IR or IrDA, the COM2 port will support IR functions. See section 3-7.

Pin	Definition
1	Ir-Tx
2	Ir-Rx
3	Not Connected
4	Vcc (+5V)
5	GND
6	Not Connected
7	Not Connected
8	Not Connected
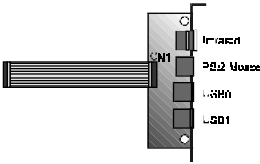
B. PS/2 Mouse Connector

If a PS/2 mouse is used, it must be enabled in BIOS's Integrated Peripherals menu. See Section 3-7. BIOS will automatically detect and assign IRQ12 to the PS/2 mouse.

Pin	Definition
1	Data
2	Not Connected
3	Ground
4	+5V (fused)
5	Clock
6	Not Connected

C. Dual Channel USB(Universal Serial Bus) Connector

Enable the USB Keyboard Support function in BIOS's Integrated Peripherals Menu (Section 3-7) if you want to use a USB keyboard. USB is an open industry standard, providing a simple and inexpensive way to connect up to 125 devices to a single computer port. Keyboards, mice, tablets, digitizers, scanners, bar-code readers, modems, printers and many more can all be used at the same time.

USB is a dynamically reconfigurable serial bus with an elementary data rate of 12Mbps, based on off the shelf, low cost micro-controller technology. It's modular layered software protocol supports sophisticated devices and application programs.

This board contains a USB Host controller and includes a root hub with two USB ports (meets USB Rev 1.0 spec.). Two USB peripherals or hub devices are able to be connected.

Compatibility with different USB peripherals is still being tested.

2-5 Main Memory Configuration

The DRAM memory system on board consists of 3 banks, and the memory range is **8 ~ 256** MBytes. You must install 2 SIMM modules(same size, same speed, either single or double sided) in each bank at a time. It does not matter which bank you install first.
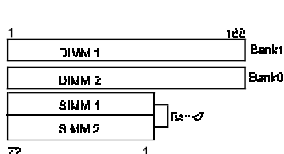
SIMM	72-pin 5V SIMM	Qty.
Bank2 (SIMM1,SIMM2)	4/8/16/32/64 FPM or EDO SIMM (DIMM sockets must be empty)	x2

DIMM	168-pin 3.3V unbuffered DIMM	Qty.
Bank1 (DIMM1)	8/16/32/64/128 MB EDO or SDRAM (SIMM sockets must be empty)	x 1
Bank0 (DIMM2)	8/16/32/64/128 MB EDO or SDRAM (SIMM sockets must be empty)	x 1

DRAM Specifications

Types Supported	FP(Fast Page), EDO(Extended Data Output) and Synchronous DRAM
Speed requirement	FP/EDO: 70-ns (or faster) for 50 or 60MHz system frequency and 60-ns for 66MHz system frequency. SDRAM: 10/12ns
Module types & sizes	4/8/16/32/64 MBytes, single/double-sided, 5v SIMM 8/16/32/64 MBytes, single/double-sided, 3.3v DIMM
Parity	Both parity and non-parity modules may be used however the parity function is not supported by this mainboard.

⚠ Most SDRAM will be 3.3V only (i.e. SDRAM I/O pins will not be 5V tolerant). **It is not recommended to mix 3.3V EDO/SDRAM DIMM with 5V EDO/FPM SIMM**.

⚠ Because 64/128MB DIMM is not yet mainstream, the compatibility of 64/128MB DIMM can not be 100% guaranteed.

⚠ Due to loading anomalies, using DIMM with an 'n x 4' DRAM base on this mainboard is not recommended. For example, a DIMM that uses sixteen 16Mb x 4 devices should not be used.

⚠️ This mainboard supports 3.3v, unbuffered, 4-clock, SDRAM DIMM only. Buffered, 5V, or 2-clock SDRAM DIMMs should not be used.

This board has two DIMM (Dual-in-line Memory Module) sockets to support SDRAM type DRAM and has the better optimized read timings (7-1-1-1). The DIMM sockets will quickly replace SIMM as the next module standard for the PC industry and will become the memory subsystems standardized 64-bit data interface. Recently, JEDEC committee passed the unbuffered DIMM pinout specification as a standard for higher speed transfer. The unbuffered DIMM allows for SDRAM, EDO and FPM DRAM compatibility as well as pinouts for x64, x72 with parity, x72 with ECC and x80 ECC. The unbuffered DIMM is distinguished by the keyed notch lying to the right of the centerline of the DRAM key position as shown in the figure below.
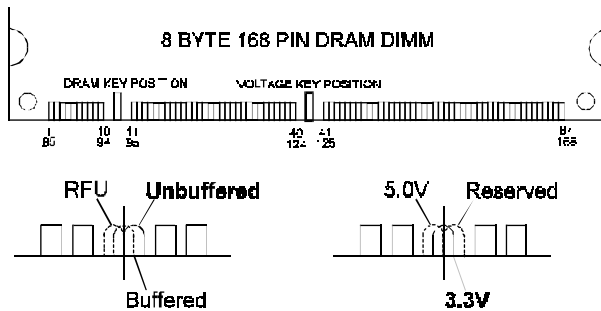
Memo

Chapter 3

Award BIOS Setup Program

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

When you turn on or reboot the system, press the Delete key to enter the Award BIOS setup program. The primary screen as shown in Figure 3-1 is a list of the menus and functions available in the setup program. Select the desired item and press enter to make changes. Operating commands are located at the bottom of this and all other BIOS screens. When a field is highlighted, on-line help information is displayed on the left bottom edge of the screen.

✎This mainboard's system BIOS includes SCSI BIOS for PCI SYMBIOS 810 based SCSI cards. In the case that such a SCSI card is installed, the system BIOS will auto-scan the ROM address and install BIOS in the first available address.

```
        ROM PCI / ISA BIOS (2A59IC3E)
             CMOS SETUP UTILITY
            AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.


  STANDARD CMOS SETUP            INTEGRATED PERIPHERALS

  BIOS FEATURES SETUP            SUPERVISOR PASSWORD

  CHIPSET FEATURES SETUP         USER PASSWORD

  POWER MANAGEMENT SETUP         IDE HDD AUTO DETECTION

  PNP/PCI CONFIGURATION          SAVE & EXIT SETUP

  LOAD SETUP DEFAULTS            EXIT WITHOUT SAVING

  ESC      : Quit                ↑↓→←      : Select Item
  F10      : Save & Exit Setup   (Shift) F2  : Change Color


              Time, Date, Hard Disk Type...
```

Figure 3-1 Setup Program Initial Screen

3-1 Standard CMOS Setup

The Standard CMOS Setup allows users to configure system components such as hard disk drive, floppy disk drive and video display as well as date, time and boot-up error signaling.   This configuration menu should be changed when installing a mainboard for the first time, changing hardware in your system such as the HDD, FDD, video display, or when the CMOS data has been lost or contaminated. Choose the Standard CMOS Setup option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1) to display the following screen. When a field is highlighted, on-line help information is displayed on the left bottom edge of the screen.

```
ROM PCI / ISA BIOS (2A59IC3E)
STANDARD CMOS SETUP
AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

Date (mm : dd : yy)  : Fri, July 25 1997
Time (hh : mm : ss) : 9 : 14 : 43
HARD DISKS          TYPE   SIZE   CYLS   HEAD   PRECOMP   LANDZ   SECTOR   MODE

Primary Master   :  Auto   0      0      0      0         0       0        Auto
Primary Slave    :  Auto   0      0      0      0         0       0        Auto
Secondary Master :  Auto   0      0      0      0         0       0        Auto
Secondayt Slave  :  Auto   0      0      0      0         0       0        Auto

Drive A        : 1.44M, 3.5 in.
Drive B        : None
                                          Base Memory :     640K
                                      Extended Memory :  15360K
Video          : EGA/VGA                  Other Memory :     384K
Halt On        : All Errors
                                          Total Memory :  16384K

ESC       : Quit         ↑↓→←      : Select Item      PU/PD/+/-   : Modify
F1        : Help         (Shift) F2  : Change Color
```

Figure 3-2 Standard CMOS Setup Screen

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

Hard Disk Setup (Primary/Secondary; Master/Slave)
This category identifies up to four IDE hard disk drives that have been installed in the computer. This section does not show information on other IDE devices such as CD-ROM drives or other hard drive types such as SCSI drives.

Type (Auto/User/None): Use the fields under the Type column to determine the method you will use to configure the IDE devices. If you choose Auto, BIOS will automatically detect and make optimal settings for most IDE hard drives.

The mainboard manufacturer recommends that you choose Auto for all drives.

Choose User to define your own drive type manually. You must enter values indicated in the table below into each drive parameter field. This information should be included in the documentation from your hard disk vendor or system manufacturer:

TYPE	Setting method
CYLS	Number of cylinders
HEAD	Number of heads
PRECOMP	Write precompensation cylinder
LANDZ	Landing zone
SECTOR	Number of sectors
MODE	Mode type

Table 3-1 Hard Disk Drive Parameters

Cyls/Head/Sector: The number of Cylinders, Heads, and Sectors can usually be found written on the top of the hard disk. If you have a relatively new hard drive, entering this information alone is usually sufficient for normal hard disk operation. The hard disk will not work properly if you enter improper information for these categories.

Precomp: Older hard drives (i.e., MFM or RLL drives) have the same number of sectors per track at the innermost tracks as at the outermost tracks. Thus, the data density at the innermost tracks is higher and the bits are lying closer together. Even though the physical size of a sector gets progressively smaller as the track diameter diminishes, each sector must still hold 512 bytes. Write precompensation circuitry compensates for the difference in sector size by boosting the write current for inner track sectors.

Landz: This defines the address of the landing zone and is only used for older hard drives which do not have an auto-parking feature.

Mode: If the Type value is not None for any device, you must set the Mode value for that device. There are four different Mode values: Auto, Normal, Large, and LBA.

> **Auto** - BIOS detects and enters the IDE drive type during bootup.

> **Normal** - for IDE drives that meet the old IDE specification which support a maximum capacity of 528MB (1024 cylinders, 16 heads, and 63 sectors).

> **Large** - for IDE drives that do not support LBA and have more than 1024 cylinders. Try this setting if your hard disk does not operate properly with

the LBA setting. Large mode is not supported by all operating systems, i.e., only certain versions of DOS support large mode.

LBA - (Large/Logical Block Addressing) With LBA, the IDE controller transforms the data address described by sector, head, and cylinder number into a physical block address, significantly improving data transfer rates. This mode is for drives with greater than 1024 cylinders and between 528MB and 8.4GB in size. This protocol is the current common standard.

Choose None for Type if there are no IDE HDD devices in your system.

✎ You can use the IDE HDD Auto Detection function to auto detect your hard drive parameters. Using this function will automatically insert the parameters discussed under Hard Disk Setup and will indicate User for the Field value. Please see Section 3-9 for more information.

Floppy Disk Drives

Choose the memory capacity and disk size that corresponds with that of your floppy disk drive(s).

Video

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

Halt

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

3-2 BIOS Features Setup

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

```
                 ROM PCI / ISA BIOS (2A59IC3E)
                    BIOS FEATURES SETUP
                    AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

Virus Warning              : Disabled      Video   BIOS   Shadow  : Enabled
CPU Internal Cache         : Enabled       C8000 - CBFFF Shadow  : Disabled
External Cache             : Enabled       CC000- CFFFF Shadow  : Disabled
Quick Power On Self Test   : Enabled       D0000 - D3FFF  Shadow  : Disabled
Boot Sequence              : A,C,SCSI      D4000 - D7FFF  Shadow  : Disabled
Swap Floppy Drive          : Disabled      D8000 - DBFFF Shadow  : Disabled
Boot Up Floppy Seek        : Enabled       DC000- DFFFF Shadow  : Disabled
Boot Up NumLock Status     : On
Boot Up System Speed       : High
Typematic Rate Setting     : Disabled
Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec) : 6
Typematic Delay (Msec)     : 250
Security Option            : Setup
PCI/VGA Palette Snoop      : Disabled     ESC : Quit           ↑↓ →←       :Select Item
OS Select(For DRAM>64MB): Non-OS2         F1    : Help         PU/PD/+/-   : Modify
                                          F5    : Old Values   (Shift) F2  : Color
                                          F7    : Load Setup Defaults
```

Figure 3-3 BIOS Feature Setup Screen

A. VIRUS PROTECTION

Virus Warning

When Enabled, BIOS activates a warning message to the user when any program (i.e., a virus) attempts to access the boot sector or hard disk partition table. The user is able to intervene by running an anti-virus program. This function only protects the boot sector and not the entire hard drive.

B. CACHE CONTROL

CPU Internal Cache/External Cache

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

C. BOOT UP FEATURES

After turning on the system, BIOS will perform a series of device initializations and diagnostic tests discussed below.

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

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

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

Boot up Floppy Seek
During POST, BIOS will determine if the installed floppy disk drive has 40 or 80 tracks. A 360K drive has 40 tracks and 720K, 1.2M and 1.44M drives have 80 tracks. All modern floppy disk drives have 80 tracks.

Boot Up NumLock Status
This function defines the keyboard's numberpad as number keys or arrow keys.

Boot Up System Speed
This function determines the CPU speed while in non-protected mode under DOS. Set to High for regular CPU speed and low for decreased CPU speed. This function is used for applications such as games that require decreased CPU speed.

D. KEYBOARD INTERFACE

Typematic Rate Setting
When enabled, you can set the following two typematic control items. When disabled, keystrokes are determined arbitrarily by the keyboard controller in your system.

Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec)
The typematic rate sets the rate at which characters on the screen repeat when a key is pressed and held down.

Typematic Delay (Msec)

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

E. Security Option

The Supervisor and/or User Password functions shown in Figure 3-1 must be set to take advantage of this function. See Section 3-8 for password setting information. When the Security Option is set to System, a password must be entered to boot the system or enter the BIOS setup program. When the Security Option is set to Setup, a password is required to enter the BIOS setup program.

F. PCI/VGA Palette Snoop

Some non-standard VGA cards or MPEG video cards may not show colors properly. Setting this function to Enabled can correct this problem.

G. OS Select (For DRAM > 64MB)

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

H. Shadow Memory

Software such as system BIOS, video BIOS, SCSI BIOS, etc that resides in ROM (Read Only Memory) chips is called firmware. Shadowing of firmware occurs when BIOS is copied to RAM address C0000h through DFFFFh. Video BIOS loads into the C0000-C7FFF memory area when video shadowing is enabled. If an expansion peripheral in your system contains ROM-based firmware, you need to know the address range the ROM occupies to shadow it into the correct area of RAM.

Shadowing improves the firmware's performance because the firmware can be read by the CPU through the 16- or 32-bit DRAM bus as opposed to the 8-bit XT bus. However, shadowing also results in reducing the amount of high memory (640 KB to 1 MB) for loading device drivers. Shadowing is used mostly for ROM chips on ISA cards and not for PCI cards. Shadowing and playing games at the same time may result in system instability as some games access the RAM memory area being shadowed.

3-3 Chipset Features Setup

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

```
           ROM PCI / ISA BIOS (2A59IC3E)
             CHIPSET FEATURES SETUP
              AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

Auto Configuration      : Enabled      Spectrum Spread              : Disabled
DRAM Timing             : 70ns         System Clock Frequency       : Disabled

DRAM Leadoff Timing     :11/7/3
DRAM Read Burst (EDO/FP) : x333/x444
DRAM Write Burst Timing  : x444
Fast EDO Lead Off        : Disabled
Refresh RAS# Assertion   : 5Clks
Fast RAS To CAS Delay    : 3
DRAM Page Idle Timer     : 2 Clks
DRAM Enhanced Paging     : Enabled
Fast MA to RAS# Delay    : 2 Clks
CAS Lat/RAS-to-CAS(SDRAM): 3/3
Speculative Read(SDRAM)  : Disabled
System BIOS Cacheable    : Disabled    ESC : Quit           ↑↓ →←      :Select Item
Video BIOS Cacheable     : Disabled    F1   : Help          PU/PD/+/-  : Modify
8 Bit I/O Recovery Time  : 1           F5   : Old Values     (Shift) F2 : Color
16 Bit I/O Recovery Time : 1           F7   : Load Setup Defaults
Memory Hole At 15M-16M   : Disabled
Specific PCI 2.1 Transfer : Disabled
```

Figure 3-4 Chipset Features Setup Screen

All of the above settings have been determined by the mainboard manufacturer and should not be changed unless you are absolutely sure of what you are doing. Explanation of the DRAM timing and chipset features setup is lengthy, highly technical and beyond the scope of this manual. Below are abbreviated descriptions of the functions in this setup menu. You can look on the world wide web for helpful chipset and RAM configuration information including AWARD's web site at http://www.award.com.

A. Auto Configuration

When Auto Configuration is enabled, BIOS autodetects the DRAM module type (i.e. EDO, FP) and determines the relevant DRAM settings. Note that these DRAM settings become background print (unchangeable) once the Auto Configuration is enabled. If Auto Configuration is enabled, you must set the DRAM timing function to 60ns or 70ns, depeding on the type of DRAM you install.

B. DRAM Leadoff Timing (EDO/FP)

Select the combination of CPU clocks your DRAM requires before each memory read or write. Using any values other than those set by the mainboard manufacturer may cause memory errors. In general, 10/6/4 should be used for 70ns modules and 10/6/3 should be used for 60ns modules.

C. DRAM Read Burst (EDO/FP)

This function sets the timing values for reads from EDO or FPM memory. The lower the timing numbers, the better the system perfomance. Selecting timing numbers lower than the installed DRAM is able to support can result in memory errors. In general, x333/x444 should be used for 70ns modules and x222/x333 should be used for 60ns modules.

D. DRAM Write Burst Timing (EDO/FP)

This function sets the timing values for writes to the memory. The lower the timing numbers, the better the system performance. Selecting timing numbers lower than the installed DRAM is able to support can result in memory errors. In general, x333 should be used for 70ns modules and x222 should be used for 60ns modules.

E. Fast EDO Leadoff

Enabling this function causes a 1-HCLK pull-in for all read leadoff latencies for EDO DRAMs (i.e., page hits, page misses, and row misses). Select Disabled if any of the DRAM sockets are populated with FPM modules.

F. Refresh RAS# Assertion (EDO/FP)

Set the number of clock cycles in which the RAS# is asserted for refresh cycles. In general, 5 Clks should be used for 70ns modules and 4 Clks should be used for 60ns modules.

G. DRAM Page Idle Timer (EDO/FP)

Select the amount of time in HCLKs that the DRAM controller waits to close a DRAM page after the CPU becomes idle. 2 Clks is the fastest setting and modern memory modules should be able to run stable at this value.

H. DRAM Enhanced Paging (EDO/FP)

When enabled, the chipset keeps the page open until a page/row miss. When disabled, the chipset uses additional information to keep the DRAM page open when the host may be 'right back.'

I. CAS Lat/RAS-to-CAS (SDRAM)

The values in this field are set by the system board designer according to the type of SDRAM installed. The SDRAM CAS Latency setting should be made at 2 or 3 depending on the the system clock speed and the speed of your SDRAM modules as indicated in the table below.

System Freq.	10ns SDRAM	12ns SDRAM
83MHz	3	3
75MHz	3	3
66MHz	2	2
60MHz	2	2
50MHz	N/A	2

Table 3-2 SDRAM CAS Latency Settings

J. Speculative Read (SDRAM)

The chipset can reduce read latencies by speculating on DRAM read addresses. For example, the CPU issues a read request containing the data memory address and the DRAM controller receives the request. When this function is enabled, the controller issues the read command before it has finished decoding the data address. An increase in system performance from enabling this function is highly dependent on the type of application being used.

K. System BIOS Cacheable

Enabling this function allows caching of the system BIOS ROM at F0000h-FFFFFh, resulting in better system performance. However, if any program writes to this memory area, a system error may result. Caching the system BIOS results in better performance than shadowing the system BIOS as discussed in Section 3-2.

L. Video BIOS Cacheable

Enabling this function allows caching of the video BIOS ROM at C0000h-C7FFFh, resulting in better video performance. However, if any program writes to this memory area, a system error may result. Caching the video BIOS results in better performance than shadowing the video BIOS as discussed in Section 3-2.

M. 8-bit I/O Recovery Time & 16-bit I/O Recovery Time

Back-to-back CPU or PCI master originated 8-bit and 16-bit cycles have an arbitrary delay of at least 3.5 system clock cycles. This category is used to add additional recovery delay between the 8 and 16-bit cycles. This delay takes place because the PCI bus is much faster than the ISA bus. The options are 1 to 8 and N/A.

N. Memory Hole at 15M-16M

Enabling this feature will reserve the 15MB to 16MB memory address space for ISA expansion cards. However, enabling this function will result in not allowing the system to have access to memory above 16MB. Please note that some expansion cards require this setting to be enabled. The default setting is Disabled.

O. Specific PCI 2.1 Transfer

Enabling this function will turn on the following Specific PCI 2.1 Transfer Protocols: PCI Passive Release, PCI Delay Transaction, Host_to_PCI Bridge Retry, and Extended CPU to PIIX4 PHLDA#. The default setting for this function is Disabled.

P. Spectrum Spread Modulated

When Enabled, this function will cause lower EMI by spreading the system frequency over a range of frequencies. Choosing 0.6% or 1.5% will cause the frequency to spread by a total of 0.6% or 1.5%. While this function decreases EMI, system stability may be slightly compromised. Choosing Smart Clock will turn off the AGP, PCI, and SDRAM clocks when not in use. Smart Clock does not perform a spectum spreading function but does decrease EMI.

Q. System Clock Frequency

When this function is Disabled, use the system frequency jumpers discussed in Chapter 2 to set the system frequency. When Enabled, the on-board system frequency jumpers are no longer functional and you must use this function to set the system clock.

3-4 Power Management Setup

This section provides information on the Green PC power management funtcions. In order to enable the power management functions, please select the Power Management Setup option from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure 3-1). This sample screen contains the manufacturer's default values for the mainboard**.**

```
                     ROM PCI / ISA BIOS (2A59IC3E)
                     POWER MANAGEMENT SETUP
                        AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

Power Management      : Disabled      *****   Reload Global Timer Events   *****
PM Control by APM     : Yes           IRQ[3-7, 9-15], NMI       : Enabled
Video Off Method      : DPMS          Primary IDE 0             : Disabled
Video Off After       : Standby       Primary IDE 1             : Disabled
MODEM Use IRQ         : 3             Secondary IDE 0           : Disabled
Doze Mode             : Disabled      Secondary IDE 1           : Disabled
Standby Mode          : Disabled      Floppy Disk               : Disabled
Suspend Mode          : Disabled      Serial Port               : Enabled
HDD Power Down        : Disabled      Parellel Port             : Disabled
Throttle Duty Cycle   : 62.5%
VGA Active Monitor    : Disabled
Soft-Off by PWR-BTTN  : Delay 4 Sec.
Power On By Modem     : Disabled
Power On By Alarm     : Disabled      ESC : Quit          ↑↓→←       :Select Item
                                      F1    : Help        PU/PD/+/-  : Modify
IRQ8 Break Suspend    : Disabled      F5    : Old Values  (Shift) F2 : Color
                                      F7    : Load Setup Defaults
```

Figure 3-5 Power Management Setup Screen

A. Power Management

Power management allows the computer to save electricity when it is not in use by entering increasingly deep power saving modes as shown by the diagram below.
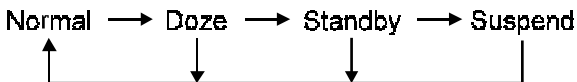
Figure 3-6 Power Saving Mode Flow Chart

The computer runs in Normal operation mode until the Doze timer expires, at which point the computer enters Doze mode. If no external activity occurs, the computer will go into Standby and Suspend modes when their respective timers expire. If external activity occurs, the computer will wake up from Power Management and return to Normal mode. To activate the function, set Power Management to Maximum Saving, User Define, or Minimum Saving described

below. For a description of the power saving modes (Doze, Standby, and Suspend) see their descriptions below.

Disabled - Turns off the Power Management functions.

Max. Saving - All timers are set at the minimum value of one minute to maximize power saving.

Min. Saving - All timers are set at the maximum value of one hour for minimal power saving.

User Define - User can configure the timer to a desired time according to the values available.

Note that enabling the Power Management function will result in enabling the HDD Power Down function (Max Saving = 15 min, Min Saving = 1 min). The HDD Power Down function is not part of the Power Management scheme as indicated in Figure 3-6 Refer to the Standby Mode, Suspend Mode, and HDD Power Down descriptions below for more informaiton on hard drive power management.

B. PM Control by APM

This function allows software other than BIOS to control Power Management features Enable this function in BIOS and make sure APM (Advanced Power Management) is present. For example, run the Power utility program located in the DOS directory, C:\DOS\POWER.EXE to use Power Management features under DOS. For Windows 3.1x and Windows 95, you need to install Windows with the APM feature.

C. Video Off Method

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

Blank - BIOS will only blank the monitor's screen. The electricity saved in this mode is negligible and this function is only used as a screen saver to prevent screen damage while the screen is on but not in use.

V/H SYNC+Blank - The system turns off the vertical and horizontal synchronization ports, writes blanks to the VGA buffer and the monitor's electron gun turns off. This function requires a monitor with Green features in order to take advantage of the power saving function. If you enable this function and do not have a Green monitor, the result will be the same as if you had selected Blank. This function serves as both a screen saver and an electricity saver.

DPMS Supported - Select this option if your video card supports the Display Power Management Signaling (DPMS) standard (i.e., you have a monitor that

supports Green features). Use software supplied by your video subsystem to set video power management options.

D. Video Off After

This setting determines when the monitor enters power saving mode. As the function name indicates, the monitor enters the power saving mode after the chosen event expires. The Power Management function must be enabled to use this function.

E. Modem Use IRQ

If your computer has an modem, use this function to tell BIOS which IRQ is being occupied by the modem card. When the system is in Green mode, the modem requires an IRQ assignment to wake up the system and perform tasks. This assignment is compliant with the APM 1.2 specification and is to be used in coordination with APM 1.2 compliant operating systems.

F. Doze Mode

The Power Management function must not be set to disabled to enable this function. If no interrupts have occured and the Doze timer expires, system will enter Doze mode. In Doze mode, the CPU clock runs at a lower speed while all other devices operate normaly.

Power saving modes achieved in lower power saving states will either be maintained or enter higher power saving modes when switching to higher power saving states. For example, the CPU clock will not switch back to normal in Standby mode. It will maintain a decreased rate in Standby Mode and turn off in Suspend Mode.

G. Standby Mode

The Power Management function must not be set to disabled to enable this function. If the system runs in Doze mode and the Standby timer expires, the system will enter Standby mode. In Standby mode, the hard disk drive and the monitor shut off while all other devices still operate at full speed. Note that the Video Off and HDD Power Down functions in Figure 3-5 provide the same power saving options found in Standby mode. The priority for determining which function controls power saving for the monitor and hard drive is determined by which timer expires first.

H. Suspend Mode

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

I. HDD Power Down

The Power Management function must not be set to disabled to enable this function. When the HDD idle time has elapsed, BIOS sends a command to the hard disk to turn off the motor. Set a time between 1 and 15 to indicate time required to wait before the hard drive enters a power saving mode. Set this function to Suspend if you want the hard drive to power down when the system is in Suspend mode. Some old hard drives may not support this function.

J. Throttle Duty Cycle

When the system enters Doze mode, the CPU clock runs only part of the time. You may select the percent of time that the clock runs.

K. VGA Active Monitor

When Enabled, any video activity restarts the global timer for Standby mode.

L. Soft-Off by PWR-BTTN

When Enabled, this function allows the power button to put the system in Suspend, a power saving mode. See section 2-4 for operation instructions of the power button.

M. Power On By Modem

When enabled, a modem that receives a call will wake up the system from Soft-off or Green mode. To activate this function, you must leave your modem on and use the Software Power off. See the Software Power-Off control description in Section 2-4 of this manual.

N. Power On By Alarm

When enabled, this setting allows the system to turn back on at a designated time of the month. User must designate date of month and time of day. This function is only availabl when using an ATX pwer supply and Software Power-Off. See the Software Power-Off control description in Section 2-4 of this manual.

O. IRQ8 Break Suspend

This function sets the monitoring of the IRQ8 (Real Time Clock) so that it does not awaken the system from Suspend mode.

P. Reload Global Timer Events

Disable the monitoring of common interrupt requests so they do not awaken the system from Standby mode or reset activity timers for Standby mode.

3-5 PNP/PCI Configuration

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

```
         ROM PCI / ISA BIOS (2A59IC3E)
             PNP/PCI CONFIGURATION
             AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.


 PNP OS Installed          : No          PCI IDE IRQ Map To    : ISA
 Resources Controlled By   : Manual
 Reset Configuration Data  : Disabled    Assign IRQ For VGA    : Disabled
                                         FDD IRQ Can Be Free   : No
 IRQ-3   assigned to   : Legacy ISA      Assign IRQ For USB    : Enabled
 IRQ-4   assigned to   : Legacy ISA
 IRQ-5   assigned to   : PCI/ISA PnP     Used MEM base addr    : N/A
 IRQ-7   assigned to   : PCI/ISA PnP
 IRQ-9   assigned to   : PCI/ISA PnP
 IRQ-10  assigned to   : PCI/ISA PnP
 IRQ-11  assigned to   : PCI/ISA PnP
 IRQ-12  assigned to   : PCI/ISA PnP
 IRQ-14  assigned to   : Legacy ISA
 IRQ-15  assigned to   : Legacy ISA
 DMA-0 assigned to     : PCI/ISA PnP    ESC : Quit            ↑↓→←        :Select Item
 DMA-1 assigned to     : PCI/ISA PnP    F1    : Help          PU/PD/+/-   : Modify
 DMA-3 assigned to     : PCI/ISA PnP    F5    : Old Values     (Shift) F2  : Color
 DMA-5 assigned to     : PCI/ISA PnP    F7    : Load Setup Defaults
 DMA-6 assigned to     : PCI/ISA PnP
 DMA-7 assigned to     : PCI/ISA PnP
```

Figure 3-6 PCI & ONBOARD I/O Setup Screen

A. PNP OS installed

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

B. Resources Controlled By

When set to Manual the system BIOS will not refer to the ESCD for IRQ & DMA information. Instead, it will refer to the items in the setup menu for assigning IRQ & DMA. When set to Auto the system BIOS will refer to the ESCD for all legacy information.

ESCD(Extended System Configuration Data) provides a detailed format of the configuration data structures stored in flash memory. Each data structure defines the resources used by a device or a card in the system. This includes legacy and PCI/ISA PnP devices.

C. Reset Configuration Data

When Enabled the system BIOS will clear/reset the ESCD during POST. After clearing the ESCD, the BIOS will then change this item's value to "Disabled." Otherwise, the ESCD data would become useless.

D. IRQ#/DMA# assign to

When resources are controlled manually, you can assign each system interrupt & DMA channel for "Legacy ISA" or "PCI/ISA PnP" card used. While using **Legacy ISA Cards** (non-PnP ISA cards), please set the necessary corresponding resources (INT#, DMA#) from "PCI/ISA PnP" to "Legacy ISA."

&✎ All ISA non-PnP devices are legacy devices that select resources

(I/O Addr., INT# or DMA#) by using hardware jumpers on these devices.

&✎ IRQ-3/4/7/12/14/15 have been set as default for on board devices (COM2,

COM1, Printer port, PS/2 mouse, IDE1 and IDE2).

E. PCI IDE IRQ Map to

This function allows users to select PC AT (ISA) interrupts or PCI IDE IRQ mapping.

ISA: BIOS does not designate any IRQ signal to the PCI slot.

PCI-SLOT 1-4: User can designate into which PCI slot (1-4) the IDE card is inserted. This setting is suitable for use with older PCI IDE cards that BIOS is not able to recognize.

PCI-AUTO: BIOS automatically detects which PCI slot into which the PCI IDE card is inserted.

F. FDD IRQ Can Be Free

This function allows users to choose if the FDD IRQ is able to be freed for use with other processes that require IRQ.

G. Assign IRQ For USB

This is a switch to control IRQ assignment for USB IRQ in IRQ resources are exhausted.

⚠ IRQ assignments will not cause an exclamation mark in the Win95 Device Manager screen.

H. Assign IRQ For VGA

This function allows BIOS to make an IRQ available to VGA cards. Current VGA card models do not require this function to be enabled.

I. Used MEM base addr

This function devotes a space of memory (8K, 16K, 32K, 64K) for any peripheral

that has a high memory requirement. This is also used to designate memory space for legacy ISA cards. The settings C800~DC00 are used to to designate the point at which memory will start being used. The default setting is N/A (disabled.)

J. Used MEM Length

8K~64K: Determines the amount of memory to be used by ISA cards mentioned in Used MEM base addr function above.

3-6 Load Setup Defaults

Load Setup Defaults loads the default system values directly from the CMOS Setup Utility menu (Figure3-1). If the stored record created by the setup program becomes corrupted and therefore unusable, these defaults will be loaded automatically when you turn on the computer.

```
ROM PCI / ISA BIOS (2A59IC3E)
CMOS SETUP UTILITY
AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

STANDARD CMOS SETUP              INTERGRATED PERIPHERALS

BIOS FEATURES SETUP             SUPERVISOR PASSWORD

CHIPSET FE/
                  Load SETUP Defaults (Y/N)? N
POWER MAN

PNP/PCI CONFIGURATION           SAVE & EXIT SETUP

LOAD SETUP DEFAULTS             EXIT WITHOUT SAVING

ESC  : Quit                     ↑↓ → ←   : Select Item
F10  : Save & Exit Setup        (Shift) F2   : Color

Load SETUP Defaults except Standard CMOS SETUP
```
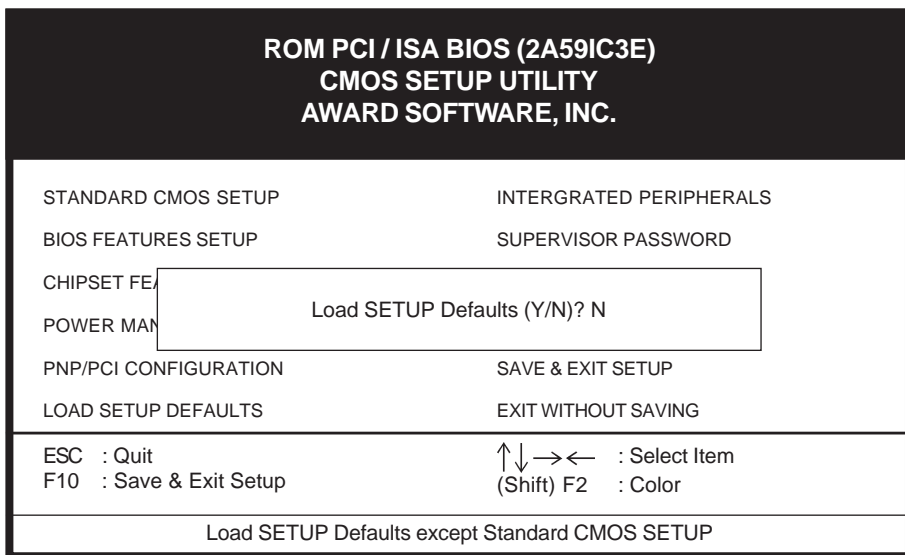
Figure 3-7 Load Setup Defaults Screen

3-7 Integrated Peripherals

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

```
           ROM PCI / ISA BIOS (2A59IC3E)
              INTEGRATED PERIPHERALS
                AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

IDE HDD Block Mode        : Enabled    Onboard Parallel Port      : 378/IRQ7
IDE Primary Master PIO    : Auto       Parallel Port Mode         : SPP
IDE Primary Slave PIO     : Auto
IDE Secondary Master PIO  : Auto       USB Keyboard Support       : Disabled
IDE Secondary Slave PIO   : Auto
IDE Primary Master UDMA   : Auto
IDE Primary Slave UDMA    : Auto
IDE Secondary Master UDMA : Auto
IDE Secondary Slave UDMA  : Auto
On-Chip Primary PCI IDE   : Enabled
On-Chip Secondary PCI IDE : Enabled

Onboard FDC Controller    : Enabled
FDC Write Protect         : Disabled
PS/2 mouse function       : Enabled    ESC : Quit           ↑↓→←        :Select Item
Onboard Serial Port 1     : 3F8/IRQ4   F1   : Help          PU/PD/+/-   : Modify
Onboard Serial Port 2     : 2F8/IRQ3   F5   : Old Values    (Shift) F2  : Color
COM2 Mode                 : Standard   F7   : Load Setup Defaults
```

Figure 3-8 PCI & ONBOARD I/O Setup Screen

A. On Board IDE Control

The following settings are used to configure the on-board IDE controller.

IDE HDD Block Mode

Block Mode is also referred to as block transfer or multiple sector read/write. When this setting is enabled, the maximum number of block read/writes per sector supported by the the drive is detected. Most new hard drives support this mode.

IDE Primary/Secondary Master/Slave PIO/UDMA

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

On-chip Primary/Secondary PCI IDE

Disable this setting to turn off the built-in IDE controller if you are going to add a higher performance IDE board.

B. On Board FDC Control

Enabling the floppy disk controller (FDC) allows for normal use of the floppy drive connected to the mainboard. If you install an add-in FDC or the system has no floppy drive, disable this function.

C. FDC Write Protect

Enable this setting to disable the write function of the floppy drive. This function is useful for preventing unauthorized users from dupliating data from your system.

D. PS/2 Mouse Function

Enable this function if you connect a PS/2 Mouse to your system.

E. COM2 Mode

Enable this function to redirect the COM2 port to support IR functionality.

F. USB Keyboard Support

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

3-8 Supervisor Password & User Password Setting

There are four different variables that control password settings. The first two are located under the Security Option function in BIOS Features Setup Menu (Figure 3-3). When the Security Option function is set to Setup, a password is required to enter BIOS and change BIOS settings. When the Securitiy Option function is set to System, a password is required to to enter both BIOS and the the computer's operating system (for example Windows 95) found on the boot drive. This is shown in Figures 3-9 and 3-10.

The third and fourth variables are user password and supervisor password selected in BIOS (Figure 3-1). The main purpose of separating user and supervisor is to allow only the supervisor to have control over the settings in BIOS. The user, on the other hand, is only allowed to access the computer's operating system and change the user passorword in BIOS (See Figure 3-10 below). Note that when there is no supervisor password set, the user password controls access to all BIOS settings (See Figure 3-9 below).

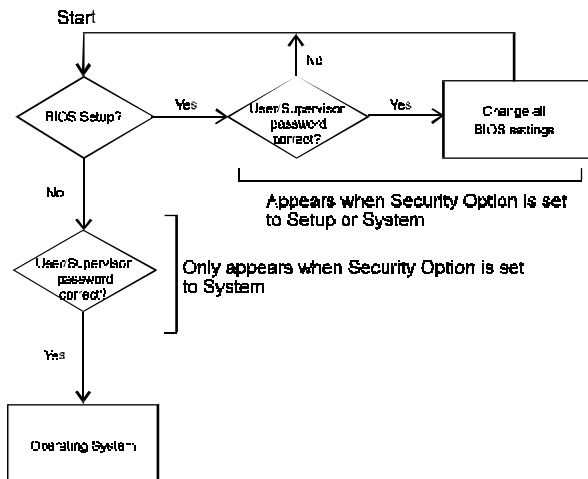### A. Set Either Supervisor Password or User Password

Figure 3-9 Set Either Supervisor or User Password

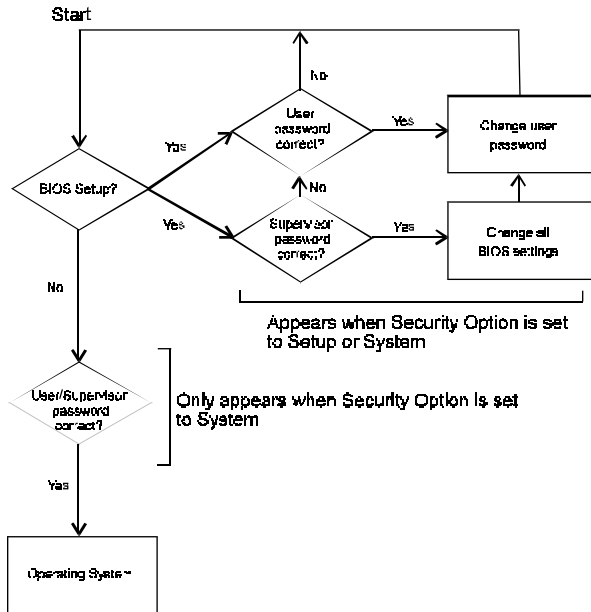## B. Set Both Supervisor Password and User Password

Figure 3-10 Set Both Supervisor and User Password

3-9 IDE HDD Auto Detection

This utility can automatically detect IDE hard disk type and parameters. The detection process take about 5 seconds for each physical drive. After the utility detects the disk drive, type Y and press [Enter] to automatically load the parameters in the Hard Disk section of the Standard CMOS Setup menu. Otherwise, leave the option set at N and press [Enter] or the [Esc] key to skip the detected drive. After detecting your hard drive(s), return to the Standard CMOS menu to check your settings.
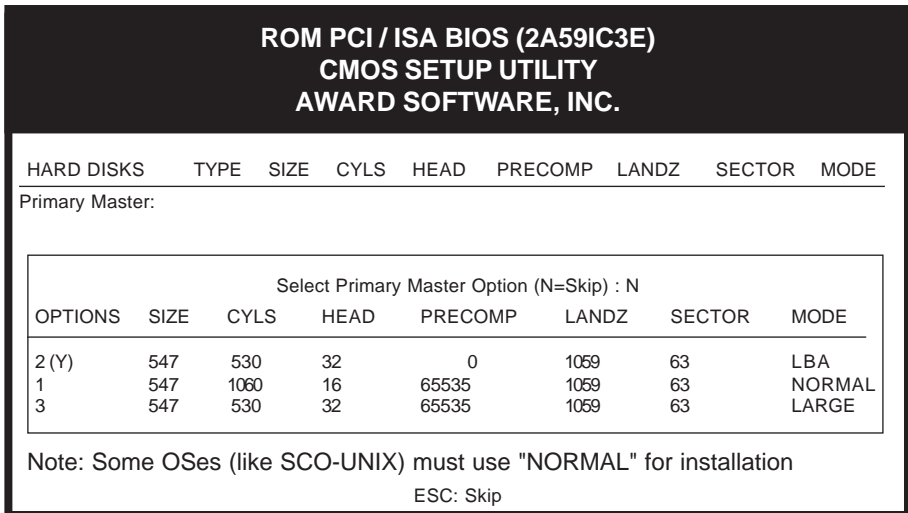
```
                ROM PCI / ISA BIOS (2A59IC3E)
                    CMOS SETUP UTILITY
                    AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.


HARD DISKS      TYPE  SIZE  CYLS  HEAD  PRECOMP  LANDZ  SECTOR  MODE
Primary Master:


                Select Primary Master Option (N=Skip) : N
OPTIONS    SIZE    CYLS   HEAD     PRECOMP    LANDZ    SECTOR    MODE

2 (Y)      547     530    32            0     1059     63        LBA
1          547     1060   16        65535     1059     63        NORMAL
3          547     530    32        65535     1059     63        LARGE

Note: Some OSes (like SCO-UNIX) must use "NORMAL" for installation
                        ESC: Skip
```

Figure 3-11 IDE HDD Auto Detection Screen

3-10 Save and Exit Setup

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

3-11 Exit Without Saving

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

Memo

Chapter 4

Brief Software Driver Guide

The Software Driver guide is found on disk 1 that is enclosed with the mainboard. The English version of the guide is the **readme.pdf** file located in the diskettes root directory. The German version of the guide is the **readmegm.pdf** file located in the root directory of disk 2. These are PDF files which must be viewed with Adobe's freeware called Acrobat Reader. The Acrobat Reader can be downloaded from many sites on the world wide web. Adober offers this free reader at http://www.adobe.com/prodindex/acrobat/readstep.html.

The following items are discussed in the PDF files:

- Bus Master/PIO IDE Driver Installation
- USB Driver Installation
- Removing the Exclamation and/or Question Marks From the Windows 95 Device
  Manager Menu
- Updating Your System BIOS
- Installing and Using a Desktop Management Interface (DMI) Utility

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Appendix I

On Board I/O Addresses & IRQ Maps

System Resource	IRQ	I/O Address
1. Timer	IRQ0	040, 043
2. Keyboard	IRQ1	060, 064
3. Programmable INT	IRQ2	0020, 0021, 00A0, 00A1
4. COM2(B)	IRQ3	2F8, 2FF
5. COM1(A)	IRQ4	3F8, 3FF
6. Floppy	IRQ6	3F0, 3F7
7. LPT1	IRQ7	378, 37F
8. Real Time Clock	IRQ8	070, 071
9. PS/2 Mouse	IRQ12	060, 064
10. Math coprocessor	IRQ13	0F0, 0FF
11. IDE 1	IRQ14	1F0, 1F7
12. IDE 2	IRQ15	170, 177

☜ **IRQ 5, 9, 10 and 11 are available for interface cards.**

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CN1: PS/2 mouse,USB, Infrared connector with optional USB kit

USB kit (optional)
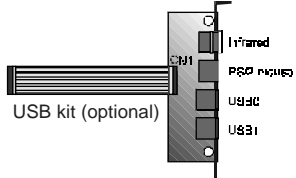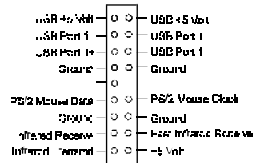
FAN1: Cooling fan connector
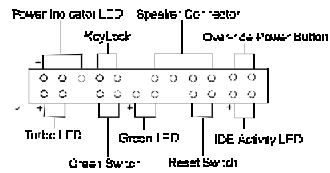
JP1: AT/ATX power supply jumper
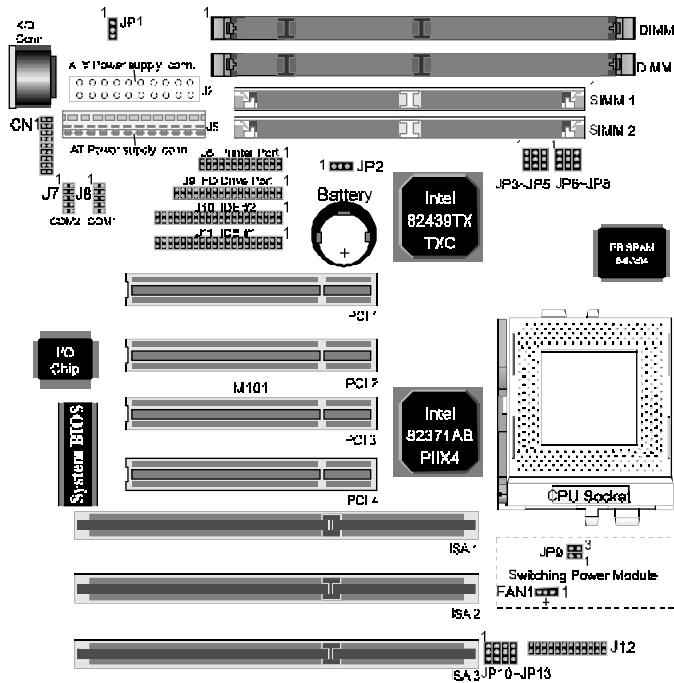 1~2: AT power
  2~3: ATX power

JP2: Clear CMOS data jumper
  1~2: Normal (default)
  2~3: Clear CMOS data

JP9: Reserved for factory

J12: Front panel connector set

Freq. Ratio	JP3~ JP5
x1.5	
x2	
x2.5	
x3	
x3.5	

System Freq.	JP6~ JP8
50MHz	
55MHz	
60MHz	
66MHz	
68MHz	
75MHz	
83MHz	

Vcore	JP10~JP13
2.2V	
2.8V	
2.9V	
3.2V	
3.3V	
3.5V	

	CPU-type	CPU Power Voltage			System freq.		Freq. ratio	
		I/O Vcc	Core Vcc	JP10~JP13	MHz	JP6~JP8	Spee rate	JP3~JP5
Intel/ AMD	P54C-90, K5-PR90	3.5			60		x1.5	
	P54C-120, K5-PR120 @90MHz						x2	
	P54C-150, K5-PR150 @105MHz						x2.5	
	P54C-100, K5-PR100				66		x1.5	
	P54C-133, K5-PR133 @100MHz						x2	
	P54C-166, K5-PR166 @116.7MHz						x2.5	
Intel	P54C-200				66		x3	
	Pentium w/MMX 166MHz	3.3	2.8				x2.5	
	Pentium w/MMX 200MHz						x3	
	Pentium w/MMX 233MHz						x3.5	
Cyrix	6x86-PR150+ @120MHz	3.5			60			
	6x86-PR166+ @133MHz				66		x2	
	6x86L-PR166+ @133MHz		2.8					
	6x86L-PR200+ @150MHz				75			
	6x86MX-PR166+ @150MHz	3.3			60		x2.5	
	6x86MX-PR166+ @133MHz		2.9		66		x2	
	6x86MX-PR200+ @166MHz				66		x2.5	
	6x86MX-PR200+ @150MHz				75		x2	
AMD	K6/166	3.3	2.9		66		x2.5	
	K6/200						x3	
	K6/233		3.2				x3.5	