EAX-Q87R

Intel[®] LGA1150 Socket Supports 4th Generation Core[™] Refresh i7/ i5/ i3, Pentium[®] and Celeron[®] Processors ATX Motherboard With Intel[®] Q87 Express Chipset

User's Manual

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- Write the RMA number visibly on the outside of the package and ship it prepaid to your dealer.

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1. Getting Started

1.1 Safety Precautions

Warning!



Always disconnect the power cord from your chassis whenever you work with the hardware. Do not make connections while the power is on. Sensitive electronic components can be damaged by sudden power surges. Only experienced electronics personnel should open the PC chassis.

Caution!



Always ground yourself to remove any static charge before touching the CPU card. Modern electronic devices are very sensitive to static electric charges. As a safety precaution, use a grounding wrist strap at all times. Place all electronic components in a static-dissipative surface or static-shielded bag when they are not in the chassis

1.2 Packing List

Before you begin installing the single board, make sure that the following materials are included in the package:

- 1 x EAX-Q87R ATX Main board
- 1 x DVD-ROM contains OS drivers/User's Manual
- 2 x COM cable
- 2 x SATA cable
- 1 x I/O shield



If any of the above items is damaged or missing, contact your retailer.

1.3 Document Amendment History

Revision	Date	Comment
1 st	February 2015	Initial Release

This manual describes the Avalue Technology EAX-Q87R Single Board.

We have tried to include as much information as possible but have not duplicated information that is provided in the standard IBM Technical References, unless proven to be necessary to aid in the understanding of this board.

We strongly recommend that you read this manual carefully before attempting to install the EAX-Q87R series or change the standard configurations. Whilst all the necessary information is available in this manual, it is recommend to contact your supplier for guidance for any queries and concern.

Please be aware that it is possible to create configurations within the CMOS RAM that may make booting impossible. If this should happen, clear the CMOS settings, (see the description of the Jumper Settings for details).

If you have any suggestions or find any errors concerning this manual and want to inform us, please contact our Customer Service department with the relevant details.

1.4 System Specifications

System				
Intel [®] LGA1150 Socket Supports 4 th Generation Core [™] Refresh i7/ i5/ i3,				
CPU	Pentium® and Celeron® Processors			
BIOS	AMI uEFI BIOS, 64Mbit SPI Flash ROM			
System Chipset	Intel® Q87 Express Chipset (Co-lay C226 Chipset)			
I/O Chipset	Nuvoton NCT6776F			
Memory	4 x 240-Pin DIMM sockets supports DDR3 memories 1600/1333 MHz up to 32GB			
Watchdog Timer	Reset: 1 sec.~ 65535 sec./ min. and 1 sec. or 1 min./step			
H/W Status Monitor	Monitoring temperatures, voltages with Auto throttling control			
	1 x PCI-E x16 slot, 1 x PCI-e x 4 slot, 1x PCI-e x 1 slot			
Expansion Slots	4 x PCI slot			
DIO	8 Bit GPIO			
S3 / S4	Yes			
Wake up on LAN or	LAN(DVE)			
Ring	LAN (PXE)			
Smart Fan Control Yes, CPU FAN(by SIO)				
Display				
Chipset	Intel [®] 4th Generation CPU integrated			
Triple Display	1 x DVI , 1 x VGA, 1 x Display Port			
VGA	Max. Resolution 1920 x 1200 @ 60 Hz			
DVI	Max. Resolution 1920 x 1200 @ 60 Hz			
Display Port	Max. Resolution 3840 x 2160 @ 24 Hz			
Audio				
Audio Codec	Realtek [®] ALC892, supports 5.1-CH			
Audio Interface	Line-in, Line-out, Mic-in			
Audio Amplifier	TI TPA3005D2 Stereo Class-D 6W x 2 Audio Amplifier connector			
Ethernet				
LAN1	Intel I217LM Gigabit Ethernet controller (PHY)			
LAN2 Intel I210AT Gigabit Ethernet controller				
Back I/O Port				
	1 x PS2 KB/ 1 x PS2 MS			
	1 x VGA			
Back Panel	1 x DVI-D			
	1 x Display port			
	5 x COM Port (RS-232)			

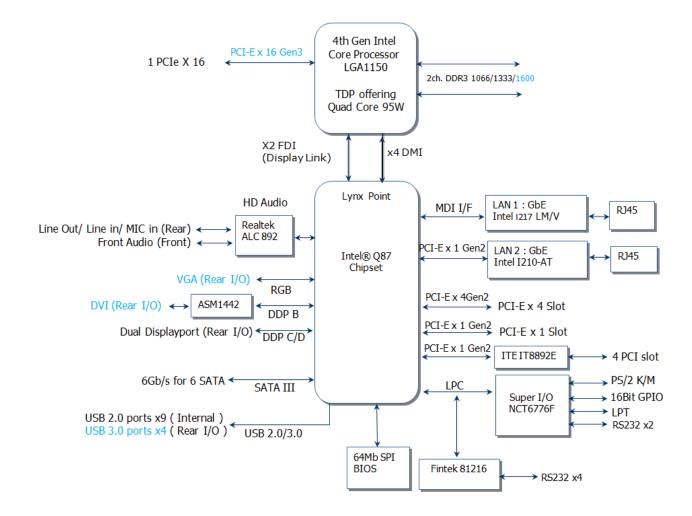
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	1 x COM Port (RS-232/ 422/ 485)		
	2 x RJ45 LAN port		
	4 x USB 3.0		
	1 x 3 Audio Jacks (Line-in/ Line-out/ Mic-in)		
Internal I/O Connector			
	6 x SATAIII connectors (RAID 0, 1, 5, 10 supported)		
	5 x USB connectors support additional 9 x USB 2.0 ports		
	5 x COM header (COM2: RS-232/422/485 supported, w/ +5V&+12V supported,		
	selected by jumper; COM3~6, RS-232)		
	1 x CPU Fan connector		
	1 x System Fan connector		
Internal I/O	1 x Front Audio connector		
internal I/O	1 x Front panel header		
	1 x Printer port		
	1 x 8 Bit DIO connector		
	1 x PS2 Keyboard/Mouse connector		
	1 x AT/ ATX power jumper		
	1 x 24-pin ATX Power connector		
	1 x 4-pin ATX 12V Power connector		
Mechanical & Environmental			
Power Type AT/ ATX			
Operating Temperature	o-60°C (32~140°F)		
Operating Humidity	0%~90% relative humidity, non-condensing		
Size (L x W)	12" x 9.6" (304.8mm x 243.84mm)		
Weight	1.32lbs (0.6Kg)		



Note: Specifications are subject to change without notice.

1.5 Architecture Overview – Block Diagram

The following block diagram shows the architecture and main components of EAX-Q87R.



2. Hardware Installation

2.1 Product highlights

2.1.1 Product Overview

Supports latest Intel LGA 1150 CPU-socket interface processor, the 4nd Generation Intel® Core i3, i5, i7 desktop processors which are built on 22 nm technologies to provide smart performance and responsiveness on executing tasks, It combines the CPU and GPU to offer fantastic HD media and graphics, especially on 3D gaming experience.

DMI (Direct Media Interface) architecture connects between the processor and chipset at 5.0GT/s which twice the speed of previous version. The exceptionally increased interconnect bit rate from 2.5GT/s up to 5.0GT/s would effectively eliminates the bottle neck of the system performance and brings the most terrific computing experience from the present to the future. Doubles the transfer speed of SATA 3G, running at speed up to 6.0Gb/s, and can connect with any other SATA 3.0Gb/s and 1.5Gb/s devices for backward compatibility.

Supports RAID 0(Striped disk array), RAID 1(Mirroring disk array), RAID 5(Block Interleaved Distributed Parity), RAID 10 (A Stripe of Mirrors). Provides users the performance and protection. Integrated 5.1-channel HD Audio CODEC delivering advanced multi-channel audio and bringing you the experience of home theater-quality sound. Delivers transfer speed ten times faster than conventional 10/ 100 Ethernet connections, supporting a high transfer rate up to Gigabit/s. Gigabit LAN is the networking standards for the future and is ideal for handing large amount of data such as video, audio, and voice.

Choose an environment-friendly, fully RoHS-compliant ECS product as the foundation for keeping harmful substances out of our ecosystem.

2.1.2 Platform Features and Benefits

- •Integrated Gfx (Intel® HD Graphics 4000/4600) with enhanced operating modes to enable excellent graphics performance in power and cost sensitive embedded applications
- DirectX® 11.1 & Open GL 4.0 let you enjoy awesome graphics performance, stunning 3D visual effect and dynamic interactivity
- Memory support, integrated low voltage DDR3 memory controller
- Operating system support:
 - Microsoft

- -WindRiver
- -Redhat
- -Novell
- -Green Hills
- -QNX
- LinuxWorks

2.1.3 Key Architecture Features

- Supports Intel LGA 1150 CPU, the 4nd Generation Intel® Core i3, i5, i7 desktop processors.
 - -22nm monolithic die
 - -Integrated Gfx (Intel® HD Graphics 4000/4600) & memory controller
 - -4 &2 Cores, up to 8MB LLC
 - -HW accelerated video CODECs
 - Compatible with high speed DDR3-1600
 - -PCIe* (CPU): Gen 2.0, 5GT/s, up to 20 lanes (4 ctls)**
 - -TDP: 35W-65W (22nm Haswell Platform)
- Intel® Turbo Boost Technology
 - -More efficient power sharing between CPU and Graphics
- Intel® Hyper-Threading Technology
- Intel® Advanced Vector Extensions 2 (Intel® AVX2)
- Intel® Transactional Synchronization Extensions (TSX)
- Integrated Display Interfaces
 - Triple Independent Display Support
 - DVI-D
 - Analog VGA
 - Display Port
- Intel® HD Graphics 4000/4600
 - DirectX® 11.1
 - Improved realism for DX 3D applications. Improved rendering.
 - OpenGL 4.0
 - Improved realism for OGL 3D based application
 - UVD (Unified Video Decoder) 2.01
 Hardware decode of most common HD codecs (MPEG-2, H.264/AVC MPEG-4 and VC-1)
 - Supports ATI Hybrid CrossFireXTM Technology2
- Intel Quick Sync Video
 - Enables faster and higher quality video editing, recording and sharing
- I/O
 - PCI Express® x 16 Gen 3 8GT/s

- PCI Express® x 4Gen 3 8GT/s
- PCI 2.3 interface
- Six SATA ports (6 ports of Gen 3.0) support RAID 0,1, 5, 10
- Gigabit Ethernet Media Access Controller (GbE MAC)
 IPv4 and IPv6 Checksum Offload
- High Definition Audio
- USB: Gen 2.0, up to 9 Ports / Gen 3.0, up to 4 Ports
- SMBus 2.0
- LPC Bus

Supports SPI devices

- Hardware Monitor

Fan control (Voltage, Temp)

Watchdog timer

- Power Management
 - Dual Dynamic Power Management
 Separate power planes for cores and memory controller
 - Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) 5.0
 - AMD PowerNow! and AMD Cool'n'Quiet technologies support

Before you Proceed

Take note of the following precautions before you install motherboard components or change any motherboard settings.



- Unplug the power cord from the wall socket before touching any component.
- Use a grounded wrist strap or touch a safely grounded object or a metal object, such as the power supply case, before handling components to avoid damaging them due to static electricity
- Hold components by the edges to avoid touching the ICs on them.
- Whenever you uninstall any component, place it on a grounded anti-static pad or in the bag that came with the component.
- Before you install or remove any component, ensure that the ATX power supply is switched off or the power cord is detached from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to the motherboard, peripherals, and/or components.

2.2 Motherboard Overview

Before you install the motherboard, study the configuration of your chassis to ensure that the motherboard fits into it. Refer to the chassis documentation before installing the motherboard.



Make sure to unplug the power cord before installing or removing the motherboard. Failure to do so can cause you physical injury and damage motherboard components.

2.2.1 Placement Direction

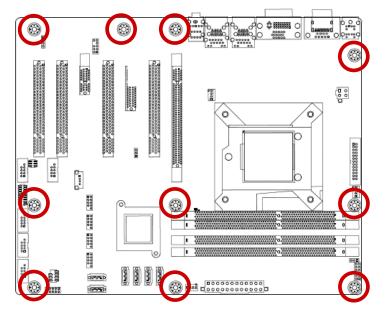
When installing the motherboard, make sure that you place it into the chassis in the correct orientation. The edge with external ports goes to the rear part of the chassis as indicated in the image below.

2.2.2 Screw Holes

Place eight (8) screws into the holes indicated by circles to secure the motherboard to the chassis.

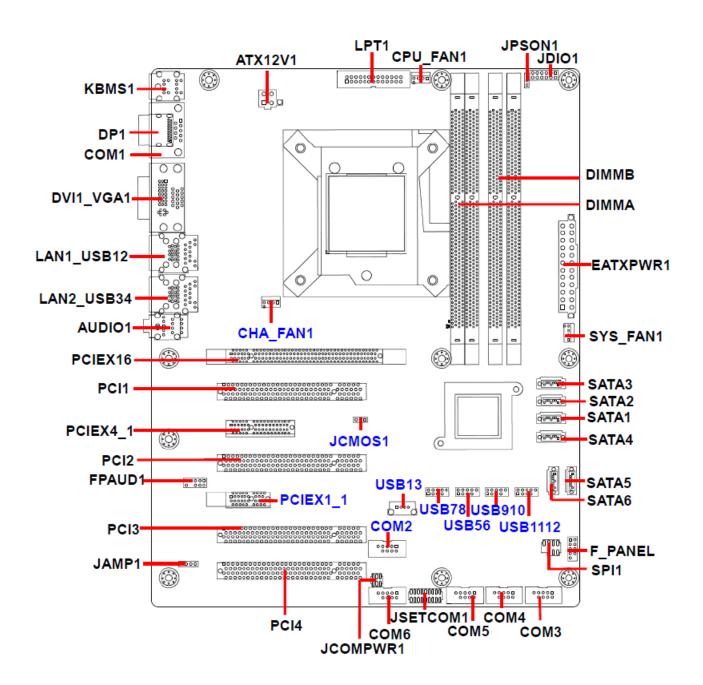


Do not over tighten the screws! Doing so can damage the motherboard.



Place this side towards the rear of the chassis.

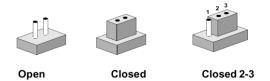
2.2.3 Motherboard Layout



2.3 Jumper and Connector List

You can configure your board to match the needs of your application by setting jumpers. A jumper is the simplest kind of electric switch.

It consists of two metal pins and a small metal clip (often protected by a plastic cover) that slides over the pins to connect them. To "close" a jumper you connect the pins with the clip. To "open" a jumper you remove the clip. Sometimes a jumper will have three pins, labeled 1, 2, and 3. In this case, you would connect either two pins.



The jumper settings are schematically depicted in this manual as follows:



A pair of needle-nose pliers may be helpful when working with jumpers.

Connectors on the board are linked to external devices such as hard disk drives, a keyboard, or floppy drives. In addition, the board has a number of jumpers that allow you to configure your system to suit your application.

If you have any doubts about the best hardware configuration for your application, contact your local distributor or sales representative before you make any changes.

The following tables list the function of each of the board's jumpers and connectors.

Jumpers			
Label	Function	Note	
JCMOS1	Clear CMOS Jumper		
JPSON1	ATX/AT Mode Selection		
JCOMPWR1	COM2 Ring-In/ +12V/ +5V Select		

Connectors			
Label	Function	Note	
VGA1	VGA Video Port		
LANA 2	Gigabit LAN		
LAN1~2	(RJ-45) Connector		
	Line-in port (Light blue)		
AUDIO1	Line-out port (Lime)		
	Microphone port (Pink)		

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USB	BACK PANEL USB3.0 Connector x 4		
DP1	Display Port		
KBMS1	PS/2 Keyboard & Mouse Connector		
EATXPWR1	24pin ATX Power Connector		
ATX12V1	12V ATX Power Connector		
COM1	Serial port 1 Connector		
COM2	Serial port 2 Connector		
JSETCOM1	Set COM2 RS-232/422/485 Mode		
COM3~6	Serial Port 3~6 Connectors		
LPT1	LPT Port Connector		
F_PANEL1	Front Panel Connector		
CPU_FAN1	CPU Fan Connector		
SYS_FAN1	System Fan Connector		
CHA_FAN1	Fan Connector		
SATA1~6	Serial ATA Connector		
USB56/78/910/1112	Front USB Header		
USB13	USB connector		
FPAUD1	Front Panel Audio Connector		
JAMP1	Amplifier Connector		
JDIO1	Digital I/O Connector		
PCI1~4	PCI slot		
PCIEX16/4_1/1_1	PCIe Connector		
DIMMA/B	DDR3 LONG DIMM Socket		
SPI1	SPI Connector		
DVI	DVID Video port		
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The on-screen message alerting you about headphones being connected to the computer. The Realtek audio software features an automatic jack sensing option to let you know when something has been inserted into an audio port.



2.4 Central Processing Unit (CPU)

The motherboard comes with a surface mount LGA1150 socket designed for the Intel® Core™ i7/ i5/ i3 processor in the 1150-land package.

- Your boxed Intel® Core™ i7/ i5/ i3 LGA1150 processor package should come with installation instructions for the CPU, fan and heatsink assembly. If the instructions in this section do not match the CPU documentation, follow the latter.
- Upon purchase of the motherboard, make sure that the PnP cap is on the socket and the socket pins are not bent. Contact your retailer immediately if the PnP cap is missing, or if you see any damage to the PnP cap/socket pins/motherboard components. ADVANSUS will shoulder the cost of repair only if the damage is shipment/transit-related.
- Keep the cap after installing the motherboard. ADVANSUS will process Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) requests only if the motherboard comes with the cap on the LGA1150 socket.
- The product warranty does not cover damage to the socket pins resulting from incorrect CPU installation/removal, or misplacement/loss/incorrect removal of the PnP cap.
- Install the CPU fan and heatsink assembly before you install motherboard to the chassis.

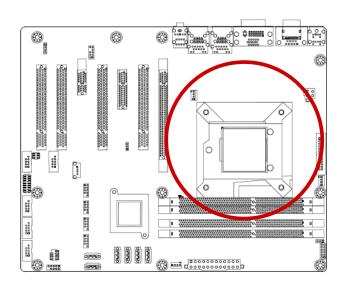


If you purchased a separate CPU heatsink and fan assembly, make sure that you have properly applied Thermal Interface Material to the CPU heatsink or CPU before you install the heatsink and fan assembly.



2.4.1 Installing the CPU

1. Locate the CPU socket on the motherboard.

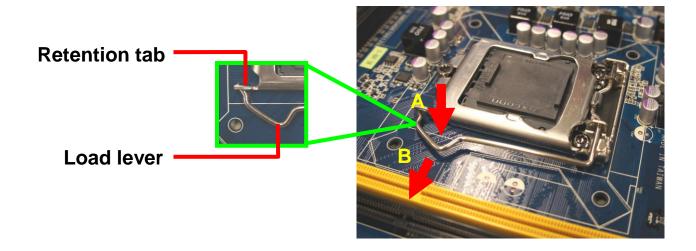






Before installing the CPU, make sure that the socket box is facing towards you and the load lever is on your left.

2. Press the load lever with your thumb (A), then move it to the left (B) until it is released from the retention tab.



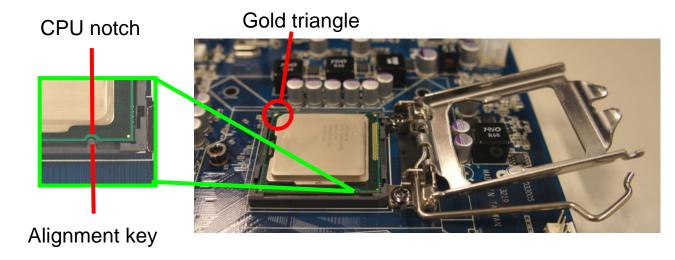


To prevent damage to the socket pins, do not remove the PnP cap unless you are installing a CPU.

3. Lift the Load lever with your thumb and forefinger to around 180° angle (A), then pull the PnP cap from the CPU socket to remove (B).



4. Position the CPU over the socket, making sure that the gold triangle is on the top-left corner of the socket then fit the socket alignment key into the CPU notch.



5. Pull back the load lever, then push the load lever (A) until it snaps into the retention tab.





The CPU fits in only one correct orientation. DO NOT force the CPU into the socket to prevent bending the connectors on the socket and damaging the CPU!

2.4.2 Installing the CPU Heatsink and Fan

Intel® Core™ i7/ i5/ i3 LGA1150 processor requires a specially designed heatsink and fan assembly to ensure optimum thermal condition and performance.

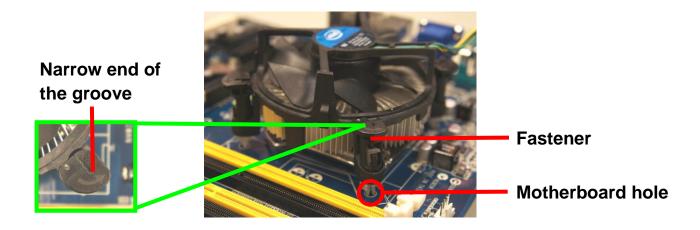
- Install the motherboard to the chassis before you install the CPU fan and heatsink assembly.
- When you buy a boxed Intel® Core™ i7/ i5/ i3 LGA1150 processor, the package includes the CPU fan and heatsink assembly. If you buy a CPU separately, make sure that you use only Intel® certified multi-directional heatsink and fan.
- Your Intel® Core™ i7/ i5/ i3 LGA1150 processor LGA1150 heatsink and fan assembly comes in a push-pin design and requires no tool to install.



If you purchased a separate CPU heatsink and fan assembly, make sure that you have properly applied Thermal Interface Material to the CPU heatsink or CPU before you install the heatsink and fan assembly.

To install the CPU heatsink and fan:

1. Place the heatsink on top of the installed CPU, making sure that the four fasteners match the holes on the motherboard.



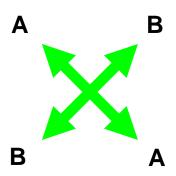


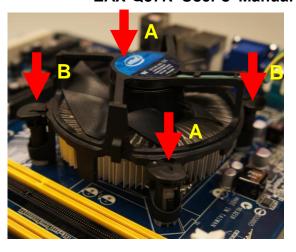
Orient the heatsink and fan assembly such that the CPU fan cable is closest to the CPU fan connector.



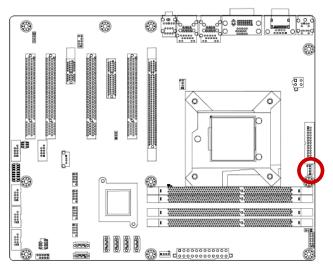
 Make sure each fastener is oriented as shown, with the narrow groove directed outward.

2. Push down two fasteners at a time in a diagonal sequence to secure the heatsink and fan assembly in place.



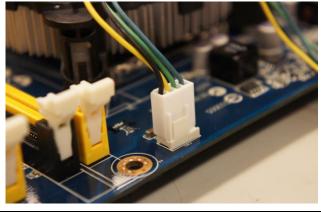


3. Connect the CPU fan cable to the connector on the motherboard labeled CPU_FAN1.











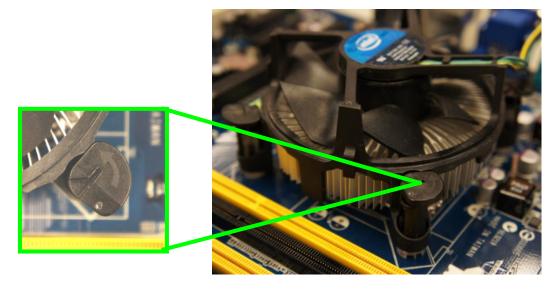
Do not forget to connect the fan cables to the fan connectors. Insufficient air flow inside the system may damage the motherboard components.

These are not jumpers! DO NOT place jumper caps on the fan connectors.

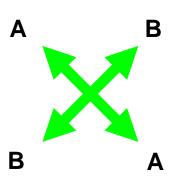
2.4.3 Uninstalling the CPU Heatsink and Fan

To uninstall the CPU heatsink and fan:

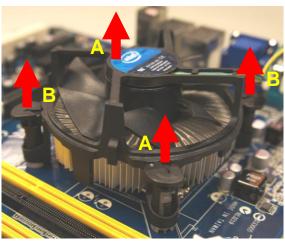
- 1. Disconnect the CPU fan cable from the connector on the motherboard.
- 2. Rotate each fastener counterclockwise



3. Pull up two fasteners at a time in a diagonal sequence to disengage the heatsink and fan assembly from the motherboard.



4. Carefully remove the heatsink and fan assembly from the motherboard.





5. Rotate each fastener clockwise to ensure correct orientation when reinstalling.

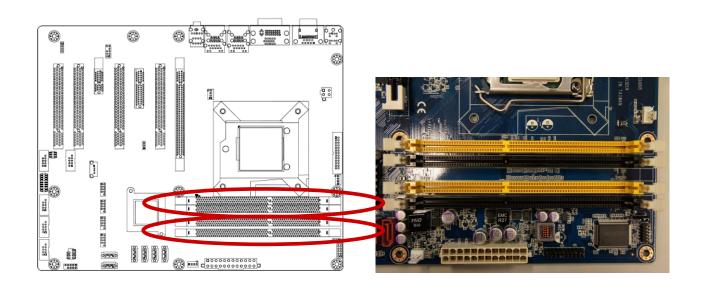


2.5 System Memory

2.5.1 Overview

The motherboard comes with four 240-pin Double Data Rate 3 (DDR3) Dual Inline Memory Modules (DIMM) sockets.

A DDR3 module has the same physical dimensions as a DDR DIMM but has a 240-pin footprint compared to the 240-pin DDR2 DIMM. DDR3 DIMMs are notched differently to prevent installation on a DDR2 DIMM socket. The following figure illustrates the location of the sockets:



240-Pin DDR3 DIMM sockets

Channel	Socket
Channel A	DIMMA1
ChannerA	DIMMA2
Channal P	DIMMB1
Channel B	DIMMB2

2.5.2 Memory Configurations

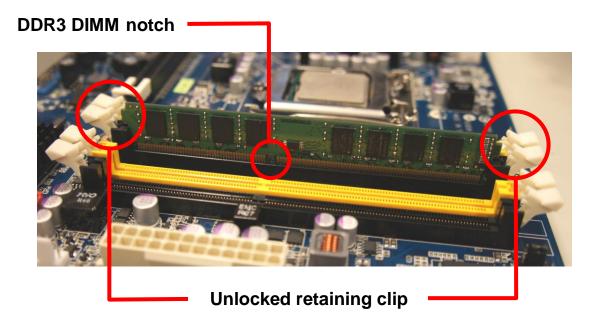
You may install 1 GB, 2 GB, 4 GB & 8GB unbuffered ECC or non-ECC DDR3 DIMMs into the DIMM sockets using the memory configurations in this section.



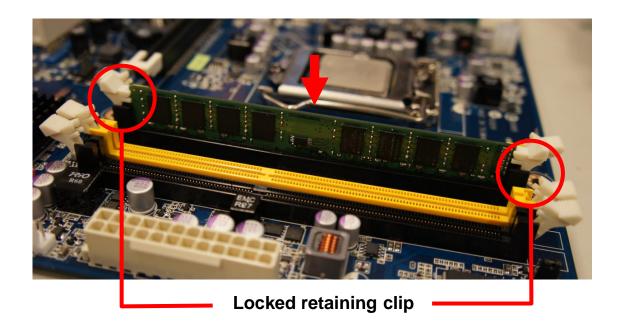
- IF you installed four 1GB memory modules, the system may detect less than 3GB of total memory because of address space allocation for other critical functions. This limitation applies to Windows XP 32-bit version operating system since it does not support PAE (Physical Address Extension) mode.
- IF you install Windows XP 32-bit version operating system, we recommend that you install less than 3GB of total memory.
- For dual-channel configuration, the total size of memory module(s) installed per channel must be the same for better performance (DIMMA1 +DIMMA2=DIMMB1+DIMMB2).
- When using one DDR3 DIMM module, install into DIMMB1 slot only.
- When using two DDR3 DIMM modules, install into DIMMA1 and DIMMB1 slots only.
- Always install DIMMs with the same CAS latency. For optimum compatibility, it is recommended that you obtain memory modules from the same vendor. Refer to the memory Qualified Vendors List on the next page for details.
- Due to CPU limitation, DIMM modules with 128 Mb memory chips or double-sided x16 memory chips are not supported in this motherboard.

2.5.3 Installing a DIMM

- 1. Unlock a DIMM socket by pressing the retaining clips outward.
- 2. Align a DIMM on the socket such that the notch on the DIMM matches the break on the socket.



3. Firmly insert the DIMM into the socket until the retaining clips snap back in place and the DIMM is properly seated.





- A DDR3 DIMM is keyed with a notch so that it fits in only one direction. DO NOT force a DIMM into a socket to avoid damaging the DIMM.
- The DDR3 DIMM sockets do not support DDR DIMMs. DO NOT install DDR2 DIMMs to the DDR3 DIMM socket.

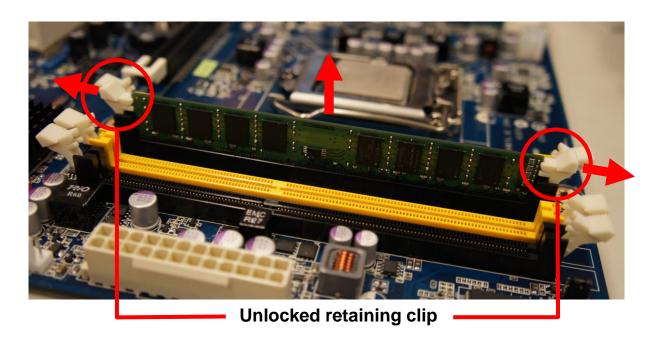


Make sure to unplug the power supply before adding or removing DIMMs or other system components. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to both the motherboard and the components.

- 1. Unlock a DIMM socket by pulling the retaining clips outward
- 2. Align a DIMM on the socket such that the notch on the DIMM matches the break on the socket.
- 3. Firmly insert the DIMM into the socket until the retaining clips snap back in place and the DIMM is properly seated.

2.5.4 Removing a DIMM

- 1. Simultaneously press the retaining clips downward to unlock the DIMM.
- 2. Remove the DIMM from the socket.





Support the DIMM lightly with your fingers when pressing the retaining clips. The DIMM might get damaged when it flips out with extra force.

2.6 Expansion Card

In the future, you may need to install expansion cards. The following sub-sections describe the slots and the expansion cards that they support.



Make sure to unplug the power cord before adding or removing expansion cards. Failure to do so may cause you physical injury and damage motherboard components.

2.6.1 Installing an Expansion Card

- 1. Before installing the expansion card, read the documentation that came with it and make the necessary hardware settings for the card.
- 2. Remove the system unit cover (if your motherboard is already installed in a chassis).
- 3. Remove the bracket opposite the slot that you intend to use. Keep the screw for later use.
- 4. Align the card connector with the slot and press firmly until the card is completely seated on the slot.
- 5. Secure the card to the chassis with the screw you removed earlier.
- 6. Replace the system cover.

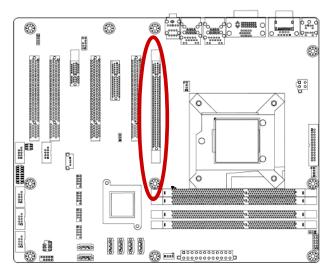
2.6.2 Configuring an Expansion Card

After installing the expansion card, configure it by adjusting the software settings.

- 1. Turn on the system and change the necessary BIOS settings, if any. See Chapter 2 for information on BIOS setup.
- 2. Assign an IRQ to the card if needed. Refer to the tables on the next page.
- 3. Install the software drivers for the expansion card.

2.6.3 PCI Express x16 slot

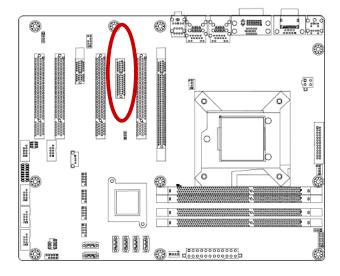
This motherboard supports one PCI Express x16 slot that complies with the PCI Express specifications. The following figure shows a graphics card installed on the PCI Express x16 slot.





EAX-Q87R User's Manual 2.6.4 PCI Express x 4 slot

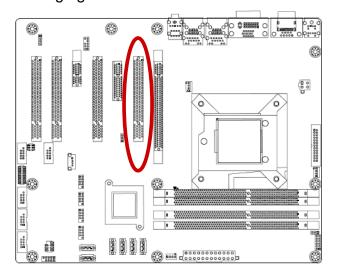
This motherboard supports one PCI Express x4 slot that complies with the PCI Express specifications. The following figure shows a RAID card installed on the PCI Express x 4 slot.

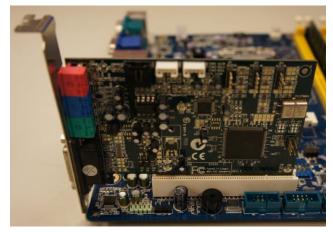




2.6.5 PCI slot

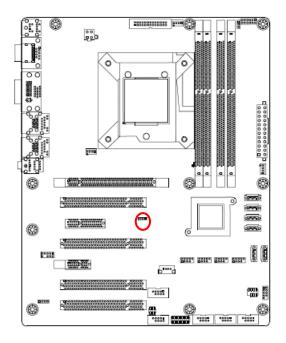
This motherboard supports one PCI slot that complies with the PCI specifications. The following figure shows a audio card installed on the PCI slot.

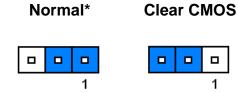




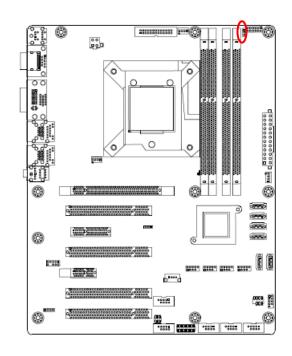
2.7 Setting Jumpers & Connectors

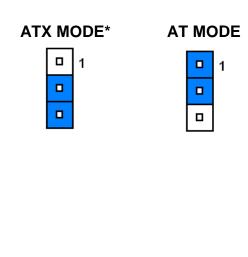
2.7.1 Clear CMOS Jumper (JCMOS1)





2.7.2 ATX/AT Mode Selection (JPSON1)

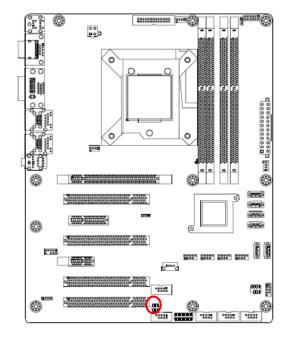




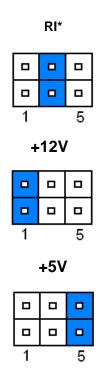
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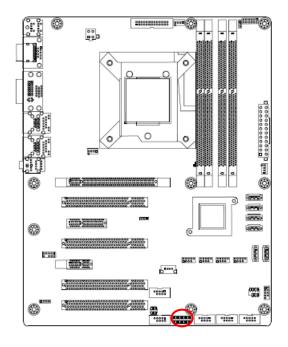
2.7.3 COM2 Ring-In/ +12V/ +5V Select (JCOMPWR1)



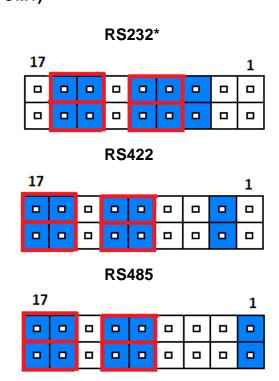
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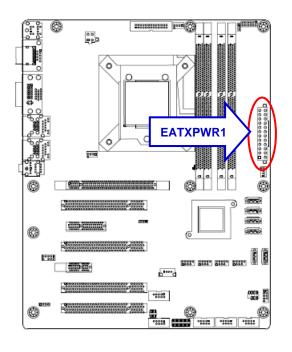
2.7.4 Set COM2 RS-232/422/485 Mode (JSETCOM1)

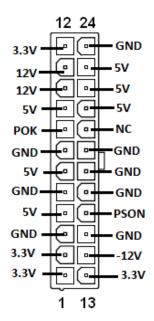


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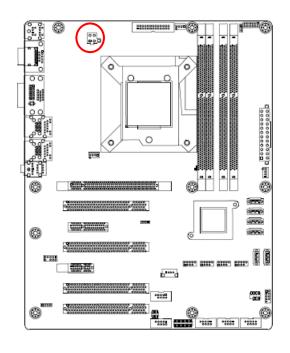


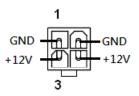
2.7.5 ATX Power Connectors: EATXPWR1



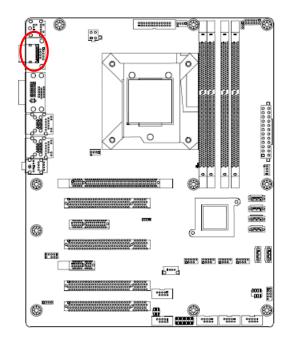


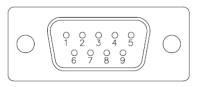
2.7.6 12V ATX Power Connector (ATX12V1)





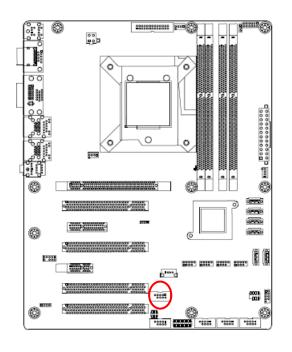
2.7.7 Serial Port 1 Connector (COM1)

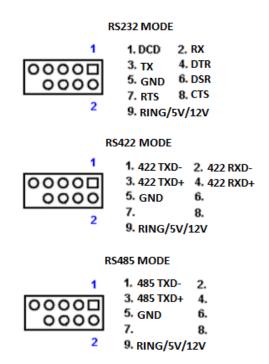




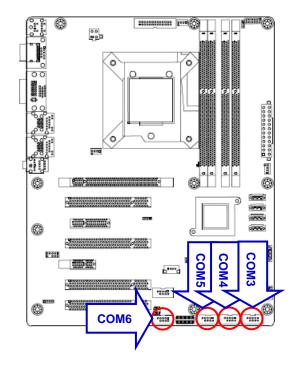
1. DCD 2. RX 3. TX 4. DTR 5. GND 6. DSR 7. RTS 8. CTS 9. RING

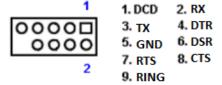
2.7.8 Serial Port 2 Connector (COM2)



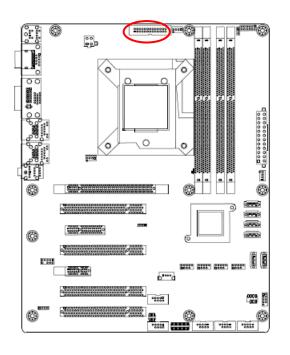


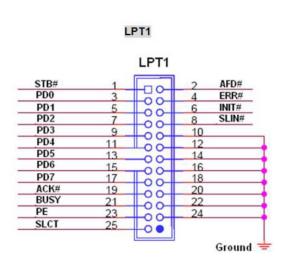
2.7.9 Serial Port 3~6 Connectors (COM3~6)



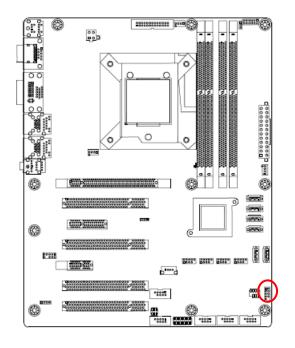


2.7.10 LPT Port Connector (LPT1)





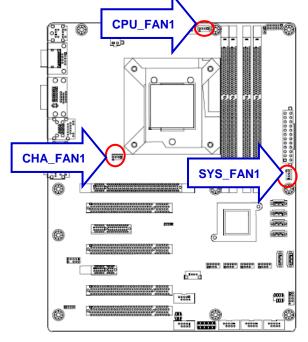
2.7.11 Front Panel Connector (F_PANEL1)



F_PANEL1

1		2 1. HDLED+	2. PLED+
	ōo	3. HDLED-	4. GND
	00	5. GND	6. PWRBTN#
	00	7. SYS_RST#	8. GND
	0	9. NC	

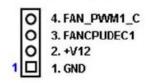
2.7.12 Fan Connectors (CPU_FAN1, SYS_FAN1, CHA_FAN1)



CPU_FAN1



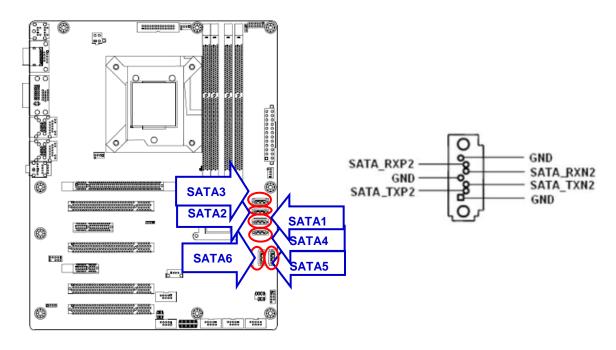
SYS_FAN1



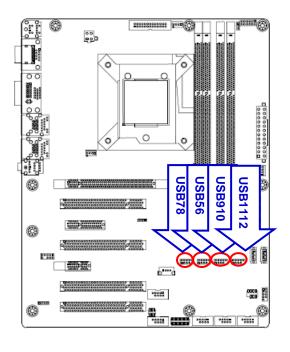
CHA_FAN1

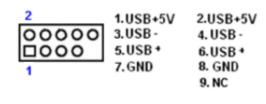


2.7.13 SATA Ports (SATA1~6)

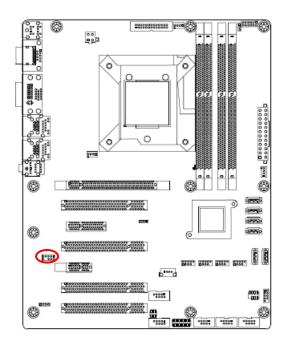


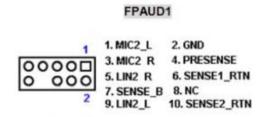
2.7.14 Front USB Headers (USB56, USB78, USB910, USB1112)



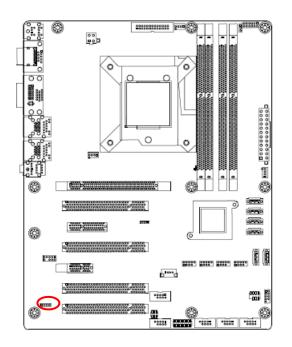


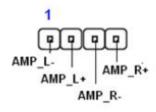
2.7.15 Front Panel Audio Connector (FPAUD1)



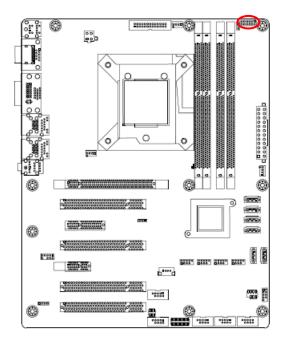


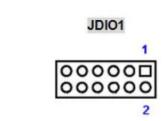
2.7.16 Amplifier Connector (JAMP1)





2.7.17 Digital I/O Connector (JDIO1)





1. SIO_GPIO0 2. SIO GPIO4
3. SIO_GPIO1 4. SIO_GPIO5
5. SIO GPIO2 6. SIO_GPIO6
7. SIO_GPIO3 8. SIO_GPIO7
9. SMB CLK MAIN 10. SMB_DATA_MAIN
11. GND 12. N52792386

3. BIOS Setup

3.1 Introduction

The BIOS setup program allows users to modify the basic system configuration. This chapter describes how to access the BIOS setup program and the configuration options that may be changed.

3.2 Starting Setup

The BIOS is immediately activated when you first power on the computer. The BIOS reads the system information contained in the NVRAM and begins checking the system and configuring it. When it finishes, the BIOS seeks an operating system on one of the disks and then launch and turn control over to the operating system.

While the BIOS is in control, the Setup program can be activated in one of two ways: By pressing or <ESC> immediately after switching the system on, or By pressing the or <ESC> key when the following message appears briefly at the left-top of the screen during the POST (Power On Self Test).

Press or <ESC> to enter SETUP

If the message disappears before you respond and you still wish to enter Setup, restart the system to try again by turning it OFF then ON or pressing the "RESET" button on the system case. You may also restart by simultaneously pressing <Ctrl>, <Alt>, and <Delete> keys.

3.3 Using Setup

The keys in the legend bar allow you to navigate through the various setup menus

Button	Description		
← →	Select Screen		
↑	Select Item		
+ -	Change Option / Field		
Enter	Select		
PGUP/HOME	Go to Top of Screen		
PGDN/END	Go to Bottom of Screen		
F1	General help, only for Status Page Setup Menu and Option Page Setup Menu		
F2	Previous Values.		
F3	Optimized defaults		
F4	Save & Exit Setup		
ESC	Exit		

List Box

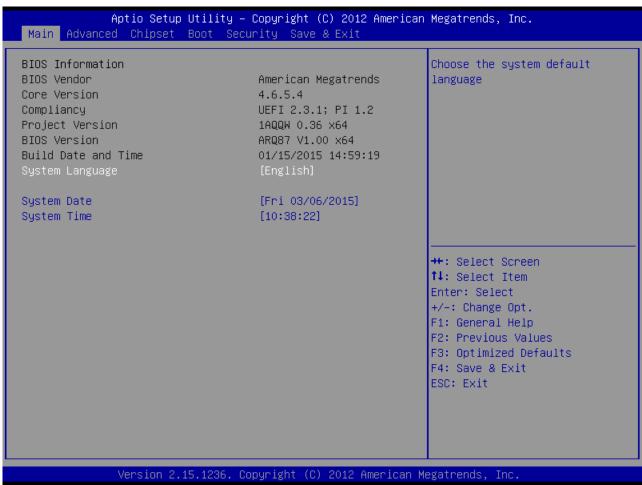
 This box appears only in the opening screen. The box displays an initial list of configurable items in the menu you selected.

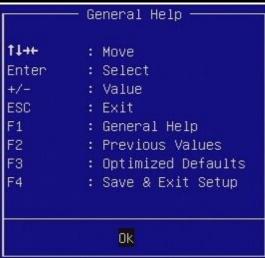
Sub-menu

- Note that a right pointer symbol papears to the left of certain fields. This pointer indicates that you can display a sub-menu from this field. A sub-menu contains additional options for a field parameter. To display a sub-menu, move the highlight to the field and press <Enter>. The sub-menu appears. Use the legend keys to enter values and move from field to field within a sub-menu as you would within a menu. Use the <Esc> key to return to the main menu.
- Take some time to familiarize yourself with the legend keys and their corresponding functions. Practice navigating through the various menus and submenus. If you accidentally make unwanted changes to any of the fields, press <F3> to load the optimal default values. While moving around through the Setup program, note that explanations appear in the Item Specific Help window located to the right of each menu. This window displays the help text for the currently highlighted field.

3.4 BIOS Menu Screen

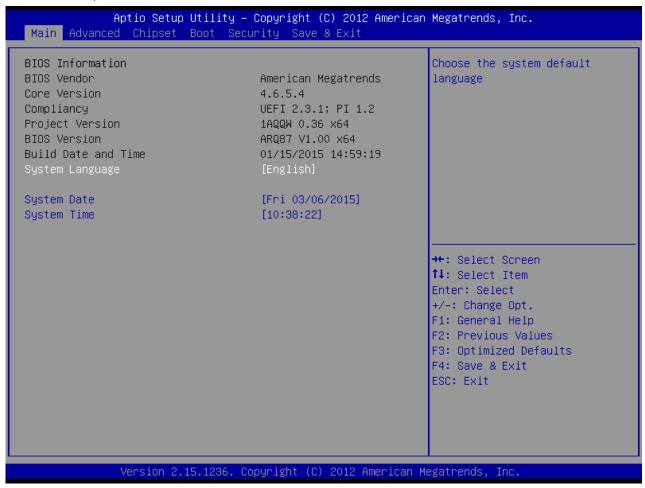
When you enter the BIOS, the following screen appears. The BIOS menu screen displays the items that allow you to make changes to the system configuration. To access the menu items, press the up/down/right/left arrow key on the keyboard until the desired item is highlighted, then press [Enter] to open the specific menu.





3.4.1 Main Setup

This menu gives you an overview of the general system specifications. The BIOS automatically detects the items in this menu. Use this menu for basic system configurations, such as time, date etc.



BIOS Information

Displays the auto-detected BIOS information.

System Date

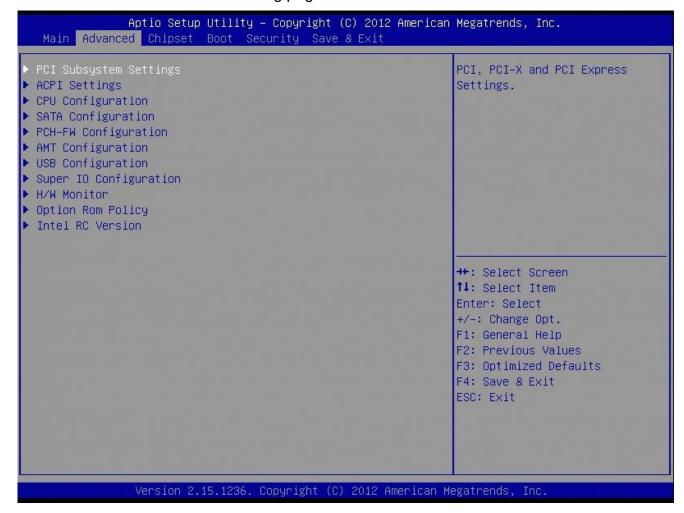
The date format is <Date>,<Month>,<Day>,<Year>.

System Time

The time format is <Hour>,<Minute>,<Second>.

3.4.2 Advanced BIOS Setup

Select the Advanced tab from the setup screen to enter the Advanced BIOS Setup screen. You can select any of the items in the left frame of the screen, such as Chipset configuration, to go to the sub menu for that item. You can display an Advanced BIOS Setup option by highlighting it using the <Arrow> keys. All Advanced BIOS Setup options are described in this section. The Advanced BIOS Setup screen is shown below. The sub menus are described on the following pages.

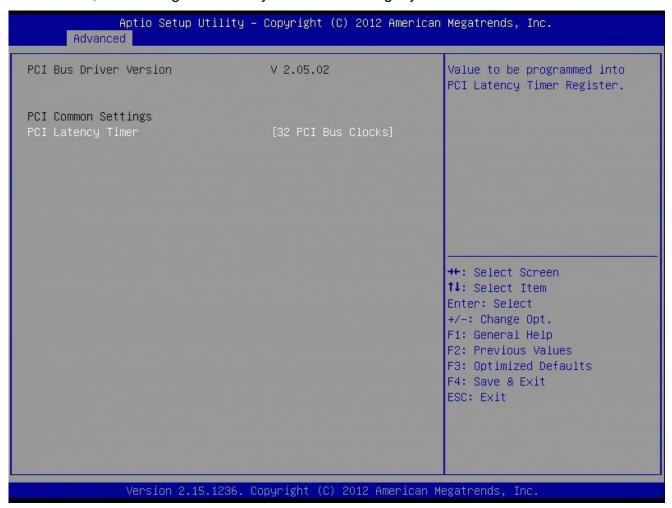




Take caution when changing the settings of the Advanced menu items. Incorrect field values can cause the system to malfunction.

3.4.2.1 PCI Subsystem Setting

The PCI PnP menu items allow you to change the advanced settings for PCI/PnP devices. The menu includes setting IRQ and DMA channel resources for either PCI/PnP or legacy ISA devices, and setting the memory size block for legacy ISA devices.



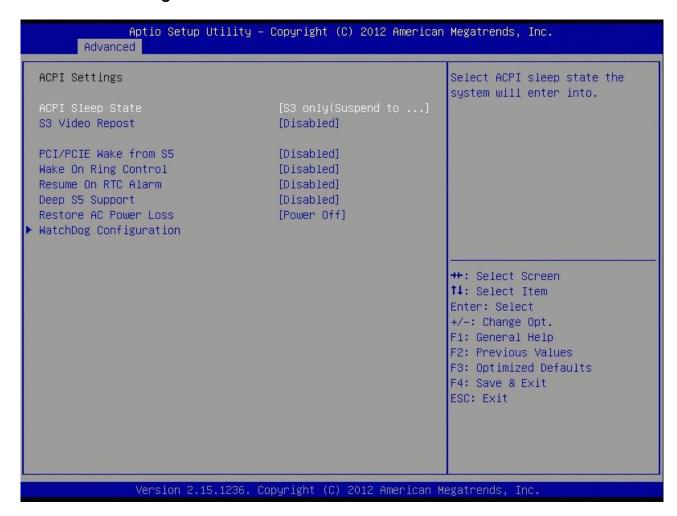
PCI Bus Driver Version

Displays the information of PCI Bus Driver Version

PCI Latency Timer [32 PCI Bus Clocks]

Configuration options: [32 PCI Bus Clocks] ~[248 PCI Bus Clocks]

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ACPI Sleep State [S3 (suspend to RAM)]

Select the highest ACPI sleep state the system will enter the SUSPEND button is press. Configuration options: [Suspend Disable] [S3 (suspend to RAM)]

S3 Video Repost [Disable]

Allows you to determine whether to invoke VGA BIOS POST on S3/STR resume.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

- PCI/PCIE Wake from S5 [Disable]
- Wake On Ring Control [Disable]
- Resume On RTC Alarm [Disable]

Enable or disable system wake on alarm even. When enabled, system will wake upon the hr/min/sec specified.

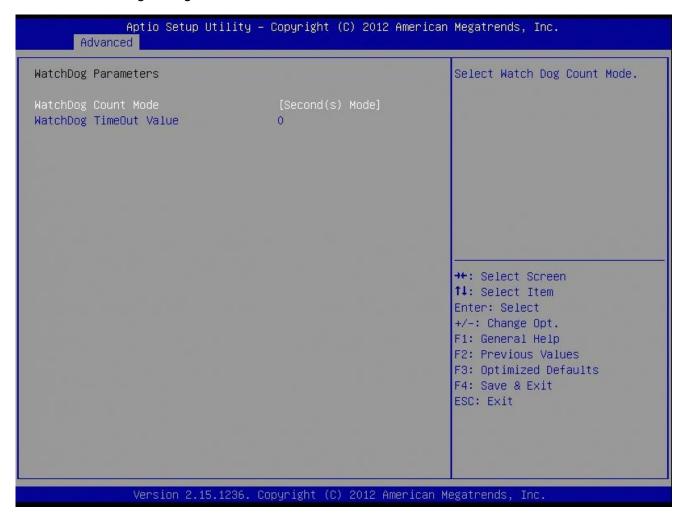
Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

- Deep S5 Support [Disable]
- Restore AC Power Loss [Power Off]

Specify what state to go to when power is re-applied after a power failure (G3 state).

Configuration options: [Power Off] [Power On] [Last State]

3.4.2.2.1 WatchDog Configuration



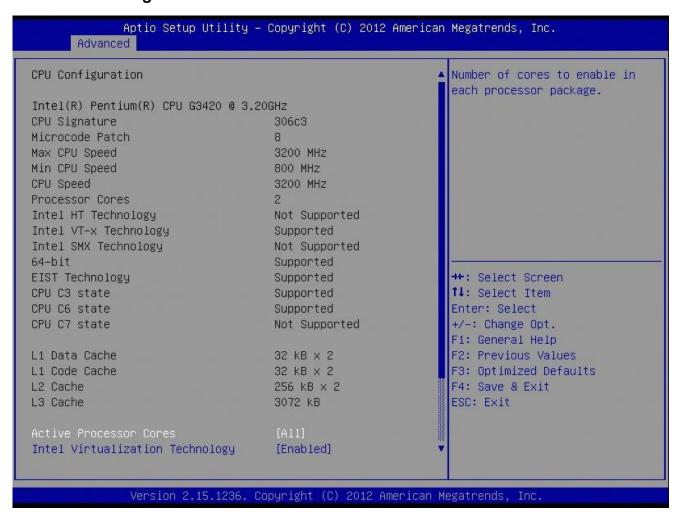
WatchDog Count Mode [Second(s) Mode]

Configuration options: [Second(s) Mode] [Minute(s) Mode]

WatchDog TimeOut Value [0]

Timer will start to count from end of POST. 00 – Timeout Disabled.

EAX-Q87R User's Manual 3.4.2.3 CPU configuration



CPU configuration

Displays the CPU information

Active Processor Cores [All]

Select the numbers of cores in each processor package.

Configuration options: [All] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]

It depends on each CPU type.

Intel Virtualization Technology [Enabled]

When enable, a VMM can utilize the additional hardware capabilities provided by Vanderpool Technology.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]



EIST[Enabled]

Enable or disable speed step.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Turbo Mode[Enabled]

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Enhanced C1 States[Enabled]

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

CPU C3 Report [Enabled]

Use this to enable or disable CPU C3 report to OS.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

CPU C6 Report [Disabled]

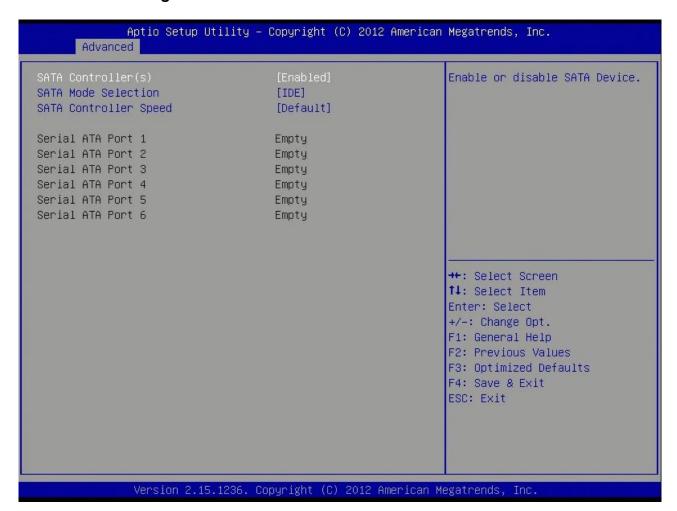
Use this to enable or disable CPU C6 report to OS.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

CPU C7 Report [Disabled]

Use this to enable or disable CPU C7 report to OS. Configuration options: [Disabled] [CPU C7][CPU C7s]

3.4.2.4 SATA Configuration



Serial-ATA Controller(s) [Enabled]

Enabled/Disabled Serial-ATA Controller 0 Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

SATA Mode [IDE]

Support IDE, AHCI or RAID mode

Configuration options: [IDE][AHCI][RAID]

SATA Controller Speed [Default]

Choose SATA controller speed

3.4.2.5 PCH-FW Configuration



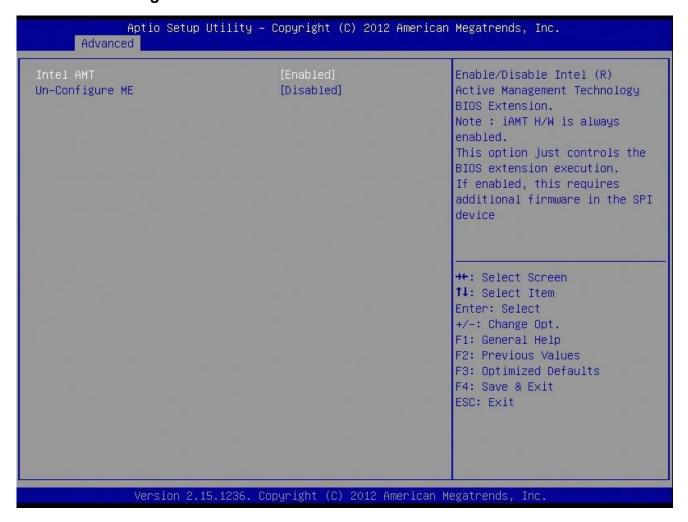
Firmware Update Configuration

Me FW Image Re-Flash [Disabled]

Enable/Disable Me FW Image Re-Flash function

Configuration options: [Disabled][Enabled]

3.4.2.6 AMT Configuration



• Intel AMT [Enabled]

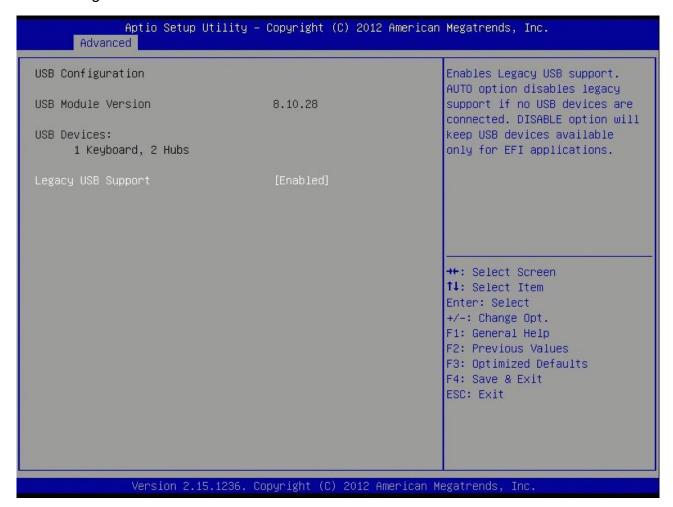
Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Un-Configure ME [Disabled]

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

3.4.2.7 USB Configuration

USB Configuration Parameters



USB Device

Display how many devices are connected.

Legacy USB Support [Enabled]

Enables Legacy USB support. AUTO option disables legacy support if no USB devices are connected. DISABLE option will keep USB devices available only for EFI applications. Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled][Auto]

3.4.2.8 Super IO Configuration

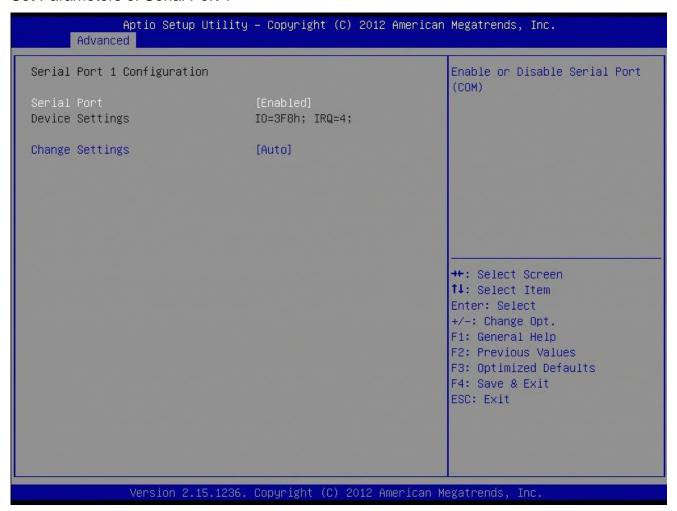
System Super IO Chip Parameters.



Super IO Configuration
Super IO Chip [NCT6776F]

3.4.2.8.1 Serial Port 1 configuration

Set Parameters of Serial Port 1



Serial Port 1 Configuration

Serial Port [Enable]

Enable or Disable Serial Port.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Device Setting [IO=3F8h; IRQ=4]

Change Setting[Auto]

Select an optimal setting for Super IO device.

 $Configuration\ options:\ [Auto]\ [IO=3F8h;\ IRQ=4]\ [IO=3F8h;\ IRQ=3,\ 4,\ 5,\ 6,\ 7,\ 9.\ 10,\ 11,\ 12]$

[IO=2F8h; IRQ=3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9. 10, 11, 12] [IO=3E8h; IRQ=3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9. 10, 11, 12]

[IO=2E8h; IRQ=3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9. 10, 11, 12]

3.4.2.8.2 Serial Port 2 configuration

Set Parameters of Serial Port 2



Serial Port 2 Configuration

Serial Port [Enable]

Enable or Disable Serial Port.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Device Setting [IO=2F8h; IRQ=3]

Change Setting[Auto]

Select an optimal setting for Super IO device.

Configuration options: [Auto] [IO=2F8h; IRQ=3] [IO=3F8h; IRQ=3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9. 10, 11, 12] [IO=2F8h; IRQ=3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9. 10, 11, 12] [IO=2E8h; IRQ=3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9. 10, 11, 12] [IO=2E8h; IRQ=3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9. 10, 11, 12]

RS485 Auto Flow Control Function [Disabled]

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3.4.2.8.3 Serial Port 3 configuration

Set Parameters of Serial Port 3



Serial Port 3 Configuration

Serial Port [Enable]

Enable or Disable Serial Port.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Device Setting [IO=3E8h; IRQ=5]

Change Setting[Auto]

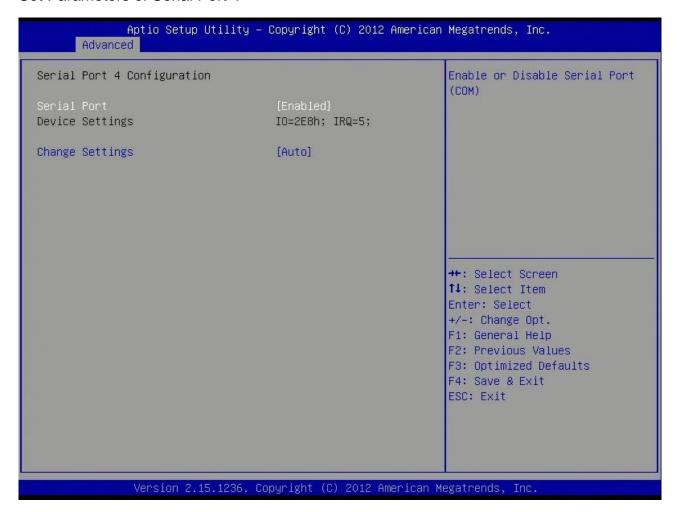
Select an optimal setting for Super IO device.

Configuration options: [Auto] [IO=3E8h; IRQ=5] [IO=3F8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2F8h; IRQ=5, 10]

[IO=3E8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2E8h; IRQ=5, 10]

3.4.2.8.4 Serial Port 4 configuration

Set Parameters of Serial Port 4



Serial Port 4 Configuration

Serial Port [Enable]

Enable or Disable Serial Port.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Device Setting [IO=2E8h; IRQ=10]

Change Setting[Auto]

Select an optimal setting for Super IO device.

Configuration options: [Auto] [IO=2E8h; IRQ=5] [IO=3F8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2F8h; IRQ=5, 10]

[IO=3E8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2E8h; IRQ=5, 10]

Set Parameters of Serial Port 5



Serial Port 5 Configuration

Serial Port [Enable]

Enable or Disable Serial Port.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Device Setting [IO=2E0h; IRQ=10]

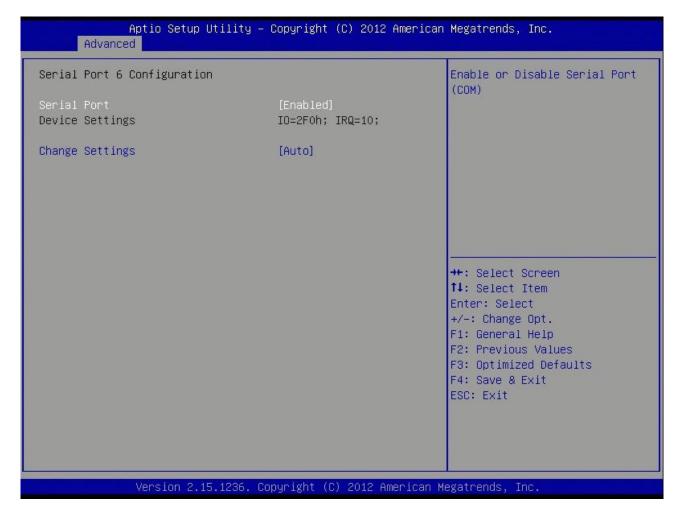
Change Setting[Auto]

Select an optimal setting for Super IO device.

Configuration options: [Auto] [IO=2E0h; IRQ=10] [IO=3F8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2F8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=3E8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2E8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2E0h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2F0h; IRQ=5, 10]

3.4.2.8.6 Serial Port 6 configuration

Set Parameters of Serial Port 6



Serial Port 6 Configuration

Serial Port [Enable]

Enable or Disable Serial Port.

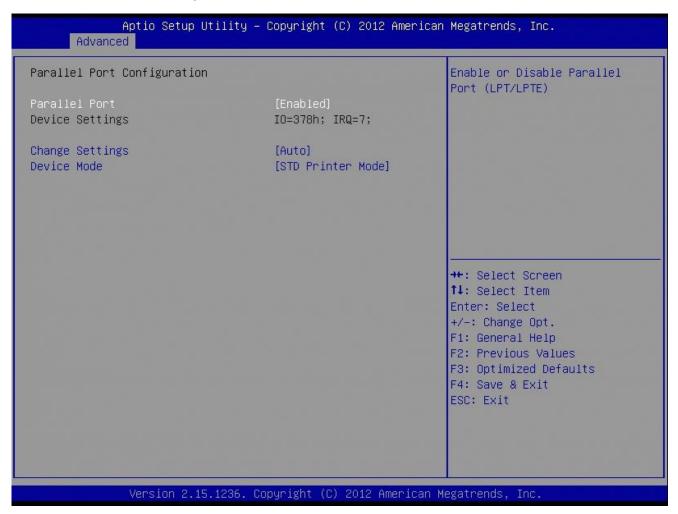
Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Device Setting [IO=2F0h; IRQ=10]

Change Setting[Auto]

Select an optimal setting for Super IO device.

Configuration options: [Auto] [IO=2F0h; IRQ=10] [IO=3F8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2F8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=3E8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2E8h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2E0h; IRQ=5, 10] [IO=2F0h; IRQ=5, 10]



Parallel Port [Enable]

Use this item to enable or disable the onboard parallel port.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Change Settings [Auto]

Use this item to select an optional setting for Super IO device.

Configuration Options: [Auto]

[IO=378h; IRQ=7]

[IO=378h; IRQ=6,7,9,11,12] [IO=278h; IRQ=6,7,9,11,12]

• Device Mode [STD Printer Mode]

Use this item to change the Printer Port mode.

Configuration Options : [STD Printer Mode]

[SPP Mode]

[EPP-1.9 and SPP Mode] [EPP-1.7 and SPP Mode]

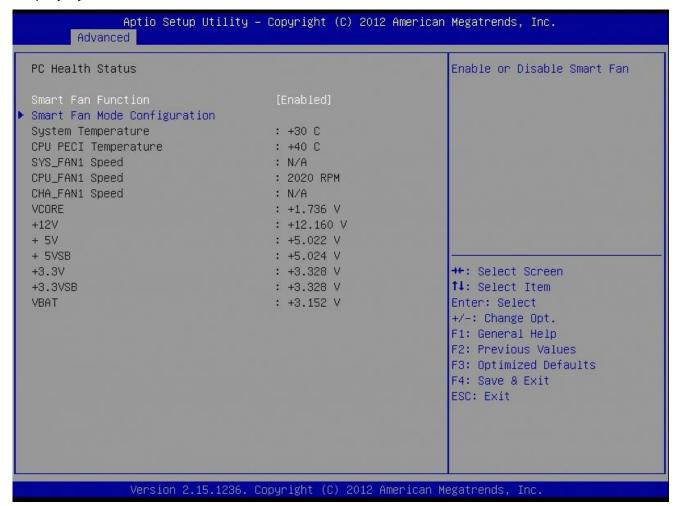
[ECP Mode]

[ECP Mode and EPP-1.9 Mode] [ECP Mode and EPP-1.7 Mode]

3.4.2.9 Hardware Monitor

PC Health Status

Display system health status



3.4.2.9.1 Smart Fan

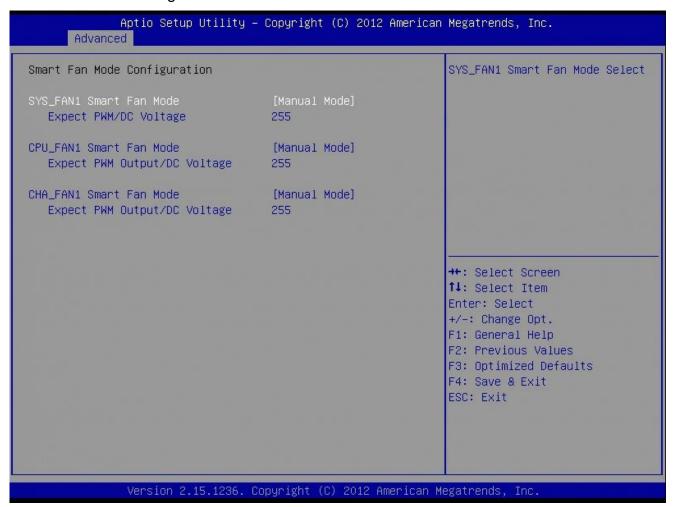


• Smart Fan Function [Enable]

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

3.4.2.9.2 Smart Fan Mode Configruation

Smart Fan Mode configuration



System Fan Mode [Manual Mode]

Select system Fan mode

Configuration options: [Manual Mode] [Thermal Cruise Mode]

• CPU Fan Mode [Manual Mode]

Select CPU Fan mode

Configuration options: [Manual Mode] [Thermal Cruise Mode]

CHA Fan Mode [Manual Mode]

Select CHA Fan mode

Configuration options: [Manual Mode] [Thermal Cruise Mode]

3.4.2.10 Option ROM Policy



Launch Storage OpROM policy

Controls the execution of UEFI and Legacy Storage OpROM Configuration options: [Do not launch] [UEFI only][Legacy only]

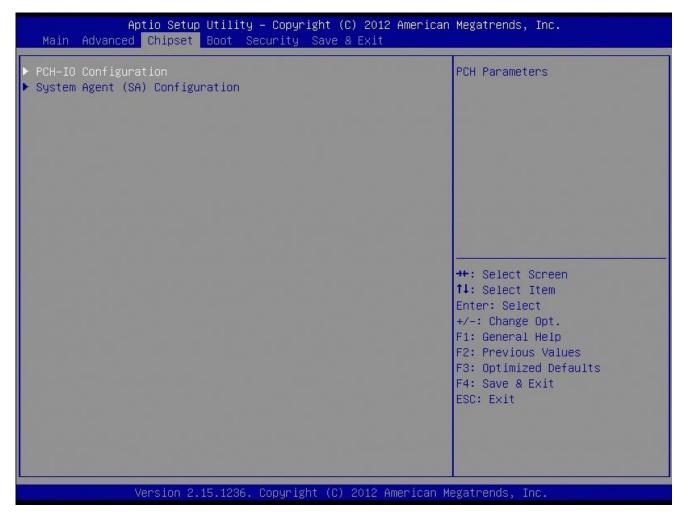
Other PCI Device ROM priority

Configuration options: [UEFI OpROM] [Legacy OpROM]

3.4.2.11 Intel RC Driver Version Detail

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Intel Intel Intel Intel	CPU RC Version SA RC Version PCH RC Version ACPI RC Version ME RC Version RST RC Version	1.8.0.0 1.8.0.0 1.8.0.0 1.8.0.0 1.8.0.0	++: Select Screen †↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values F3: Optimized Defaults F4: Save & Exit ESC: Exit
	Version 2.15.12	36. Copyright (C) 2012 Ama	erican Megatrends, Inc.

3.4.3 Chipset



3.4.3.1 PCH-IO Configuration

PCH-IO Configuration



LAN1 Controller [Enable]

Enable/Disable LAN1 Controller

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

LAN1 Option-ROM [Disable]

Enable/Disable LAN1 boot option for legacy network devices.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Wake on LAN1 from S5 [Disable]

LAN2 Controller [Enable]

Enable/Disable LAN1 Controller

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

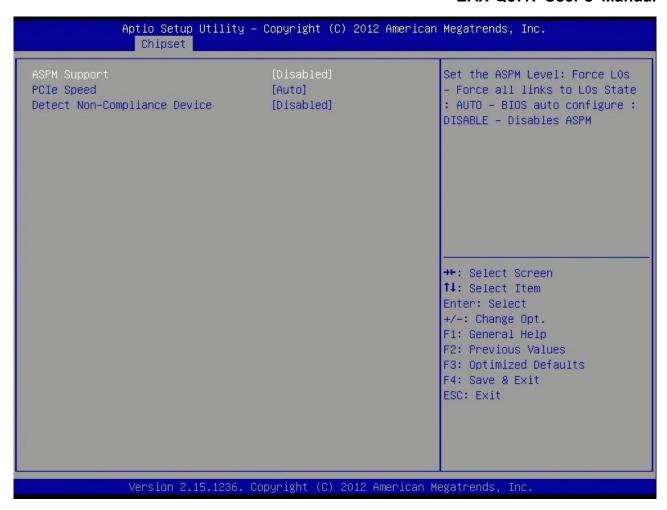
LAN2 Option-ROM [Disable]

Enable/Disable LAN2 boot option for legacy network devices.

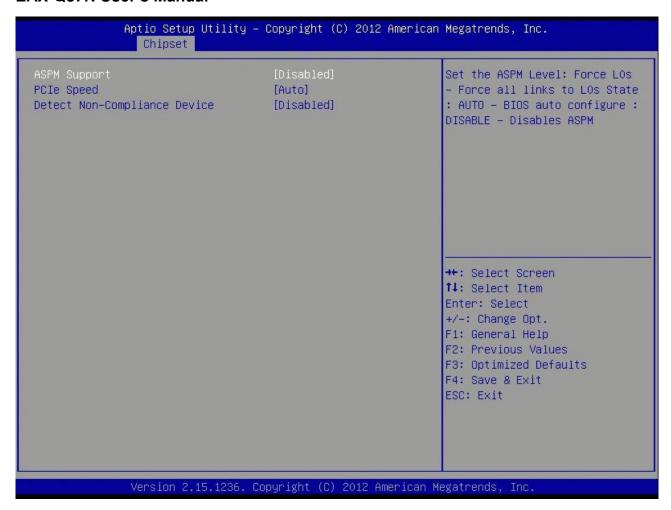
Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

3.4.3.1.1 PCI Express Configuration





- ASPM Support [Disabled]
 Configuration options:[Disabled][L0s] [L1] [L0sL1][Auto]
- PCle Speed [Auto]Configuration options:[Autio][Gen1] [Gen2]
- Detect Non-Compliance Device [Disabled]Configuration options:[Disabled][Enabled]



- ASPM Support [Disabled]
 Configuration options:[Disabled][L0s] [L1] [L0sL1][Auto]
- PCle Speed [Auto]Configuration options:[Autio][Gen1] [Gen2]
- Detect Non-Compliance Device [Disabled]Configuration options:[Disabled][Enabled]

3.4.3.1.2 USB Configuration



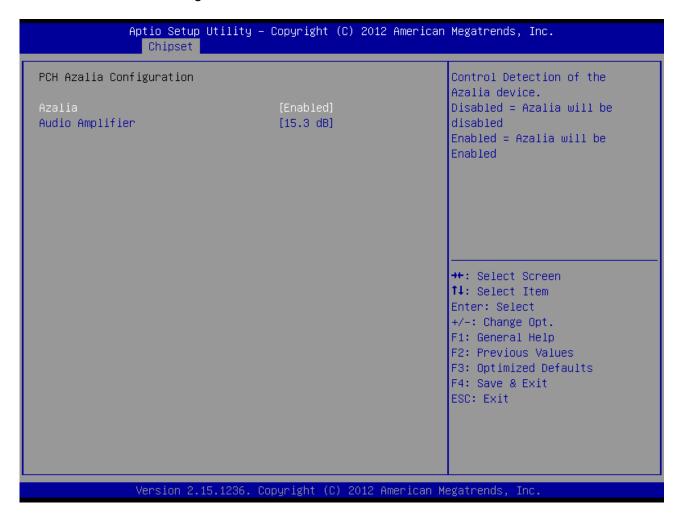
- USB Precondition [Disabled]
- XHCI Mode [Smart Auto]

Configuration options:[Smart Auto][Auto][Enabled][Disabled][Manual]

USB ports per-port disable control [Disable]

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

3.4.3.1.3 PCH Azalla Configuration



Azallia [Enabled]

Configuration options:[Enabled][Disabled]

Audio Amplifier [15.3 dB]

Configuration options:[15.3 dB] [21.2 dB] [27.2 dB] [31.8 dB] [Disabled]

3.4.3.2 System Agent (SA) Configuration

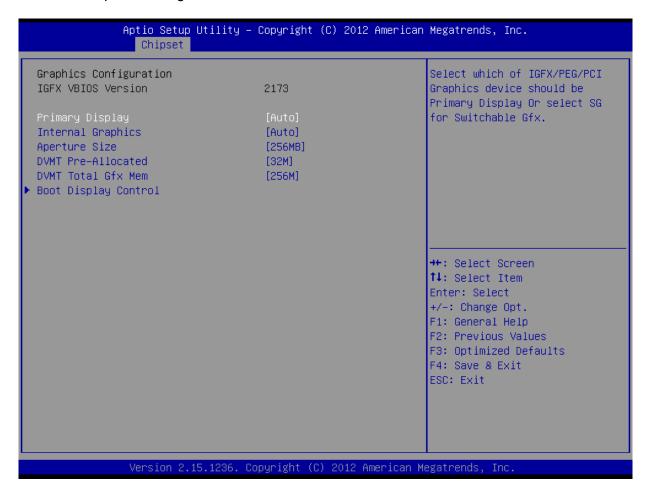


VT-d [Enabled]

Set VT-d Enable or Disable

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

3.4.3.2.1 Graphics Configuration



Primary Display [AUTO]

Select which of IGFX/PEG Graphics device should be Primary Display or select SG for Switchable Gfx.

Configuration options: [AUTO][IGFX][PEG][PCIE]

Internal Graphics

Configuration options: [Auto] [Disabled][Enabled]

Aperture Size

Configuration options: [128MB] [256MB][512MB]

DVMT Pre-Allocated [32M]

Select DVMT 5.0 Pre-Allocated (Fixed) graphics memory size used by the internal graphics device. Configuration options: [32M]~[512M]

DVMT Total Gfx Mem [256M]

Select DVMT 5.0 total graphics memory size used by the internal graphics device. Configuration options: [128M][256M][MAX]

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3.4.3.2.1.1 Boot Display Control

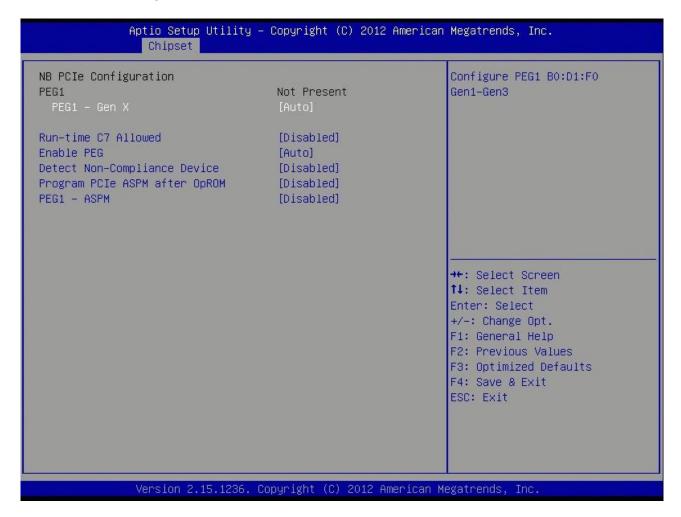


Boot Display [VBIOS Default]

Select the Video Device that will be activated during POST. This has no effect if external graphics present. Secondary booty display selection will appear based on your selection. VGA modes will be supported only on primary display.

Configuration options: [VBIOS Default][CRT] [Display Port] [DVI-D]

3.4.3.2.2 PCIe Configuration



PEG1 – Gen X [Auto]

Configure PEG0 Gen1~Gen3

Configuration options: [Auto][Gen1][Gen2][Gen3]

Run-Time C7 Allowed [Disable]

Configuration options: [Disabled][Enabled]

Enable PEG [Auto]

To enable/Disable the PEG slot.

Configuration options: [Auto][Enable][Disable]

- Detect Non-Compliance Device [Disable]
- Program PCle ASPM after OpROM [Disable]

PEG1- ASPM [Disabled]

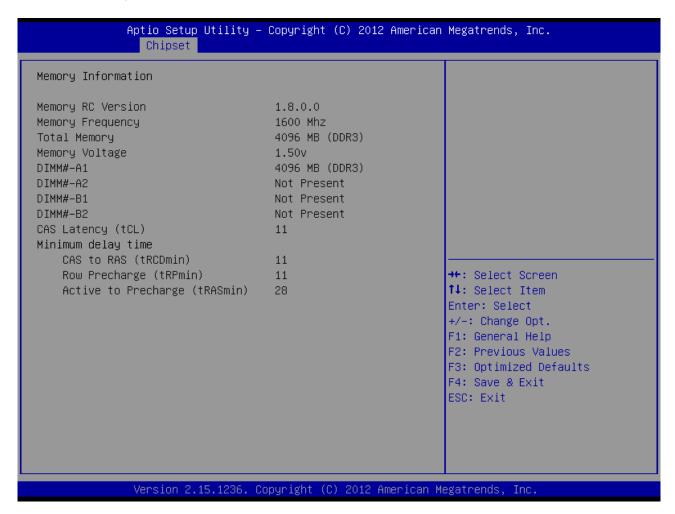
Control ASPM support for the PEG Device. This has no effect if PEG is not the currently

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active device.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Auto] [ASPM L0s] [ASPM L1] [ASPM L0sL1]

3.4.3.2.3 Memory Information

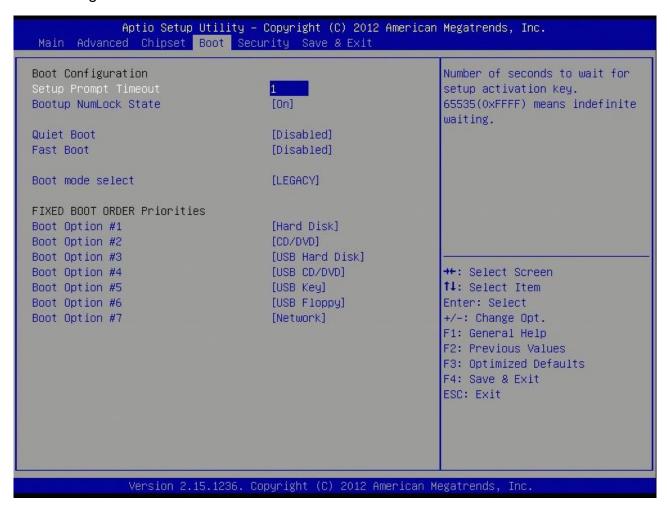


Memory Information

Display Memory Information

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Boot Configuration



Setup Prompt Timeout [1]

Number of seconds to wait for setup activation key. 65535(0xFFFF) means indefinite waiting.

Bootup NumLock State [On]

Select the keyboard NumLock state Configuration options: [On] [Off]

Quiet Boot [Disable]

Configuration options:[Enable][Disable]

Fast Boot [Disable]

Configuration options:[Enable][Disable]

Boot mode select [LEGACY]

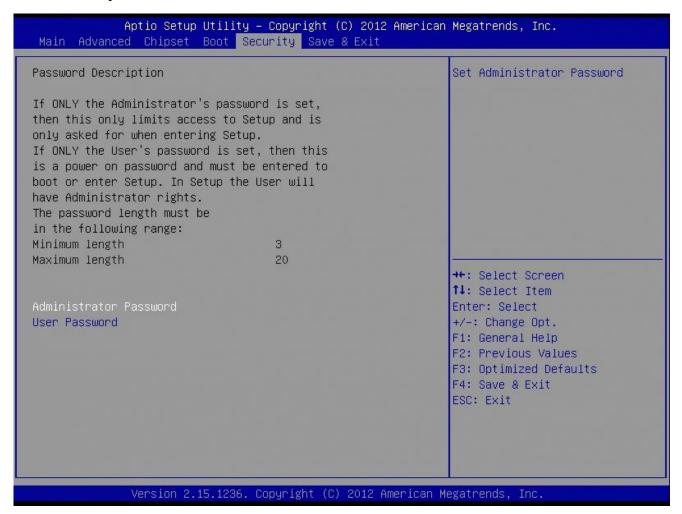
Configuration options:[UEFI][LEGACY]

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FIXED BOOT ORDER Priorities

These items specify the boot device priority sequence from the all bootable device.

3.4.5 Security



Administrator Password

Set setup Administrator Password

User Password

Set User Password

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Save changes and Exit

Exit system setup after saving the changes.

Discard changes and Exit

Exit system setup without saving the changes.

Save changes and Reset

Reset system after saving the changes.

Discard changes and Reset

Reset system without saving the changes.

Restore Defaults

Restore/Load default values for all the setup option.

