Chapter 3

This chapter gives information about the ASUS P4SC motherboard that came with the system.This chapter includes the motherboard layout, jumper settings, and connector locations. It also includes information on the USB/audio board located on the front panel.

IMPORTANT

The ASUS Terminator P4 barebone system is designed to support a motherboard that measures 23 cm (9.06 in) x 22.4 cm (8.82 in). It is not recommended to install any motherboard of other sizes. If you need to replace the original motherboard that came with the system, make sure that it fits into the chassis and that the I/O connectors correspond to the openings on the rear panel.
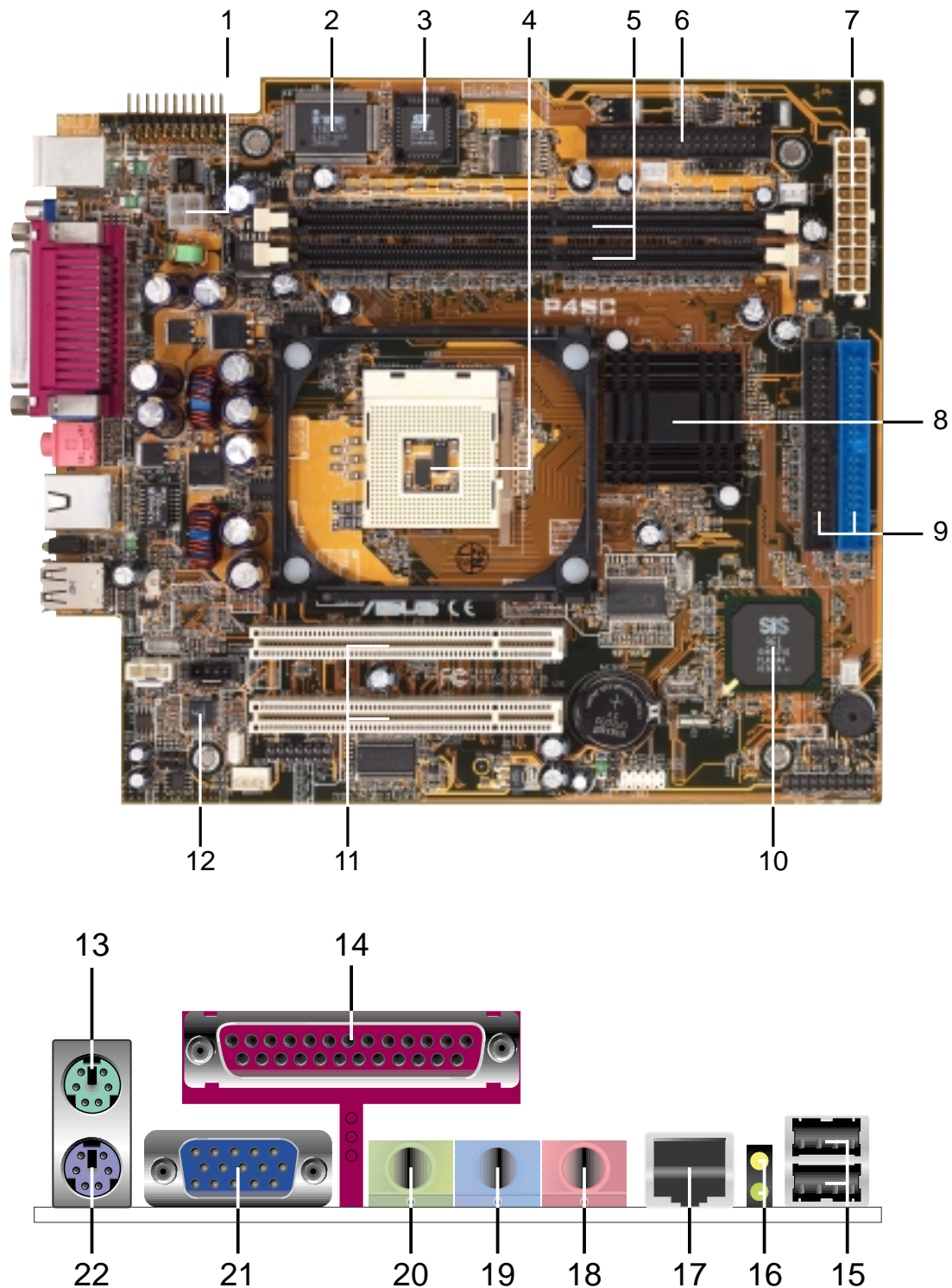
Motherboard Info

3.1   Introduction

The ASUS P4SC motherboard comes already installed in the ASUS Terminator P4 barebone system. For future upgrades or system reconfiguration, this chapter provides technical information about the motherboard.

3.2   Motherboard components

1   **ATX 12V connector.** This power connector connects the 4-pin 12V plug from the ATX 12V power supply.

2   **Super I/O chipset.** This Low Pin Count (LPC) interface provides the commonly used Super I/O functionality. The chipset supports a high-performance floppy disk controller for a 360K/720K/1.44M/2.88M floppy disk drive, a multi-mode parallel port, two standard compatible UARTs, a Standard Infrared (SIR), one MPU-401 UART mode compatible MIDI/game port, and a Flash ROM interface.

3   **Flash EEPROM.** This 2Mb firmware contains the programmable BIOS program.

4   **CPU socket.** A 478-pin surface mount, Zero Insertion Force (ZIF) socket called mPGA478 B. This socket accommodates the Intel® Pentium® 4 478/Northwood Processor with 400MHz system bus.

5   **DDR DIMM sockets.** These two 184-pin DIMM sockets support up to 2GB using unbuffered ECC or non-ECC PC2100/1600 DDR DIMMs.

6   **Floppy disk connector.** This connector connects the provided ribbon cable for the floppy disk drive. One side of the connector is slotted to prevent incorrect insertion of the floppy disk cable.

7   **ATX power connector.** This 20-pin connector connects to an ATX 12V power supply. The power supply must have at least 1A on the +5V standby lead (+5VSB).

8   **North bridge controller.** This SiS645 controller integrates a high performance host interface for the Intel® Pentium® 4 processor, a memory controller, an AGP interface, and SiS MuTIOL technology.

9   **IDE connectors.** These dual-channel bus master IDE connectors support up to four Ultra DMA/100/66, PIO Modes 3 & 4 IDE devices. Both the primary (blue) and secondary (black) connectors are slotted to prevent incorrect insertion of the IDE ribbon cable.

10 **South bridge controller.** Referred to as the SiS961 MuTIOL Media I/O, this controller integrates the audio controller with AC'97 Interface, Ethernet MAC, Dual Universal Serial Bus Host controllers, IDE Master/Slave controllers, and the MuTIOL Connect to PCI Bridge.

11 **PCI slots.** These two 32-bit PCI 2.2 expansion slots support bus master PCI cards like SCSI or LAN cards with 133MB/s maximum throughput.

12   **Audio/Modem CODEC.** This audio CODEC is AC '97 compliant.

13   **PS/2 mouse port.** This green 6-pin connector is for a PS/2 mouse.

14   **Parallel port.** This 25-pin port connects a parallel printer, a scanner, or other devices.

15   **USB ports.** These two 4-pin Universal Serial Bus (USB) ports are available for connecting USB devices such as a mouse and PDA.

16   **LAN activity LEDs.** These LEDs indicate an active network connection.

17   **RJ-45 port.** This port allows connection to a Local Area Network (LAN) through a network hub.

18   **Microphone jack.** This Mic (pink) jack connects a microphone.

19   **Line In jack.** This Line In (light blue) jack connects a tape player or other audio sources.

20   **Line Out jack.** This Line Out (lime) jack connects a headphone or a speaker.

21   **Video port.** This port connects a VGA monitor.

**22**   **PS/2 keyboard port.** This purple 6-pin connector is for a PS/2 keyboard.

3.3   Motherboard layout
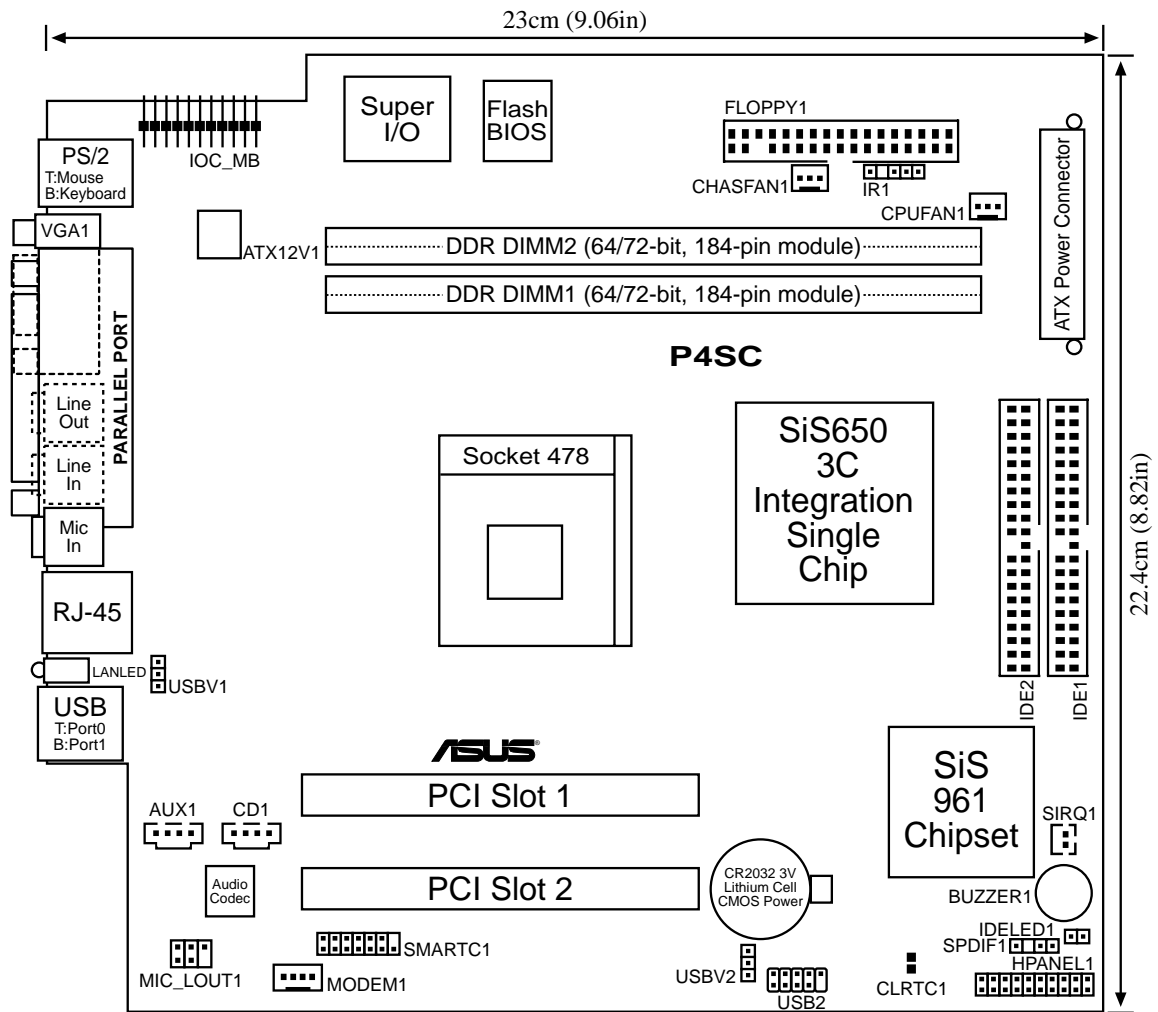
3.4 Central Processing Unit (CPU)

The motherboard comes with a surface mount 478-pin Zero Insertion Force (ZIF) socket. This socket is specifically designed for the Intel® Pentium® 4 478/Northwood Processor.

The Intel Pentium 4 Processor in the 478-pin package uses the Flip-Chip Pin Grid Array 2 (FC-PGA2) package technology, and includes the Intel® NetBurst™ micro-architecture. The Intel NetBurst micro-architecture features the hyper-pipelined technology, rapid execution engine, 400MHz system bus, and execution trace cache. Together, these attributes improve system performance by allowing higher processor frequencies, faster execution of integer instructions, and a data transfer rate of 3.2GB/s.

P4SC Socket 478

Gold Arrow
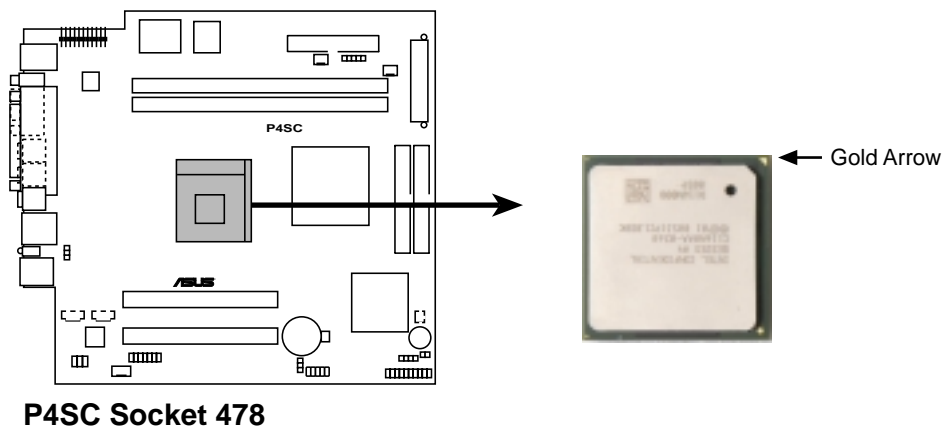
NOTE
Refer to sections "2.3 Install a CPU" and "2.4 Install the CPU heatsink and fan" for instructions on installing the Intel Pentium 4 CPU and the heatsink/fan assembly.

3.5   System memory

The motherboard has two Double Data Rate (DDR) DIMM sockets that supports up to 2GB unbuffered non-ECC PC2100/1600 DDR DIMMs.

A DDR DIMM has the same physical dimensions as an SDR DIMM, but it has a 184-pin footprint compared to the 168-pin of the SDR DIMM. Also, a DDR DIMM is single notched while an SDR DIMM is double notched. Therefore, a DDR DIMM is not backward compatible with SDR, and should be installed only in a socket specially designed for DDR DIMMs.
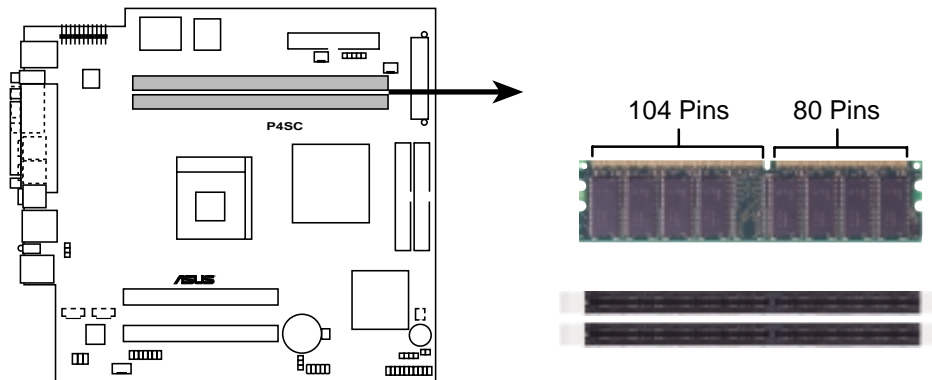
P4SC 184-Pin DDR DIMM Sockets

3.5.1   Memory configurations

You may install any DDR DIMMs with 64MB, 128MB, 256MB, 512MB, and 1GB densities into the three DIMM sockets.

Use the following combinations to install DDR DIMMs.

DIMM Location	184-pin DDR DIMM		Total Memory
Socket 1 (Rows 0&1)	64MB, 128MB, 256MB, 512MB, 1GB	x1 =	
Socket 2 (Rows 2&3)	64MB, 128MB, 256MB, 512MB, 1GB	x1 =	
Total system memory (Max. 2GB)		**=**	

NOTE
Refer to section "2.5 Install system memory" for instructions on installing DDR DIMMs.

3.6   Expansion slots

In the future, you may need to install expansion cards. The motherboard has two PCI slots.

3.6.1   Configuring an expansion card

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

1.   Turn on the system and change the necessary BIOS settings, if any. See Chapter 4 for information on BIOS setup.

2.   Assign an IRQ to the card. Refer to the tables below.

3.   Install the software drivers for the expansion card.

3.6.2   Standard Interrupt Assignments

IRQ	Priority	Standard Function
0	1	System Timer
1	2	Keyboard Controller
2	N/A	Programmable Interrupt
3*	11	Communications Port (COM2)
4*	12	Communications Port (COM1)
5*	13	Sound Card (sometimes LPT2)
6	14	Floppy Disk Controller
7*	15	Printer Port (LPT1)
8	3	System CMOS/Real Time Clock
9*	4	ACPI Mode when used
10*	5	IRQ Holder for PCI Steering
11*	6	IRQ Holder for PCI Steering
12*	7	PS/2 Compatible Mouse Port
13	8	Numeric Data Processor
14*	9	Primary IDE Channel
15*	10	Secondary IDE Channel

*These IRQs are usually available for ISA or PCI devices.

3.6.3   IRQ assignments for this motherboard

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
PCI slot 1	—	used	—	—	—	—	—	—
PCI slot 2	—	—	used	—	—	—	—	—
Onboard Audio	—	—	—	—	—	used	—	—
Onboard LAN	—	—	—	—	—	—	used	—

3.7   Jumpers

This section describes and illustrates the jumpers on the motherboard.

1. **USB device wake-up (3-pin USBV1, USBV2)**

   Set these jumpers to +5V to wake up the computer from S1 sleep mode (CPU stopped, DRAM refreshed, system running in low power mode) using the connected USB devices. Set to +5VSB to wake up from S3 sleep mode (no power to CPU, DRAM in slow refresh, power supply in reduced power mode).

   The USBV1 jumper is for the rear USB ports. The USBV2 jumper is for the internal USB header that you can connect to the front USB ports.
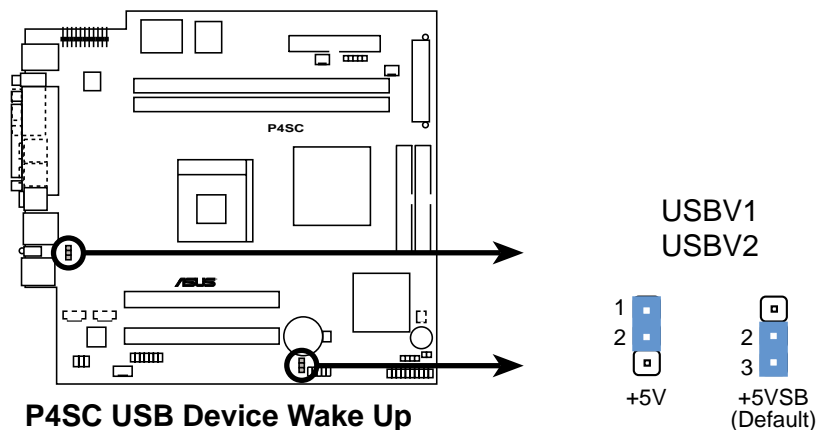

   NOTES
   This feature requires a power supply that can provide at least 1A on the +5VSB lead when these jumpers are set to +5VSB. Otherwise, the system does not power up.

   The total current consumed must NOT exceed the power supply capability (+5VSB) whether under normal condition or in sleep mode.

P4SC USB Device Wake Up

USBV1
USBV2

1
2
+5V

2
3
+5VSB
(Default)

2. Clear RTC RAM (CLRTC)

These solder points allow you to clear the Real Time Clock (RTC) RAM in CMOS. You can clear the CMOS memory of date, time, and system setup parameters by erasing the CMOS RTC RAM data. The RAM data in CMOS, that include system setup information such as system passwords, is powered by the onboard button cell battery.

To erase the RTC RAM:

1. Turn OFF the computer and unplug the power cord.
2. Remove the battery.
3. Short the solder points.
4. Re-install the battery.
5. Plug the power cord and turn ON the computer.
6. Hold down the <Del> key during the boot process and enter BIOS setup to re-enter data.

P4SC Clear RTC RAM

CR2032 3V
Lithium Cell
CMOS Power

CLRTC1
Short solder points
to Clear CMOS
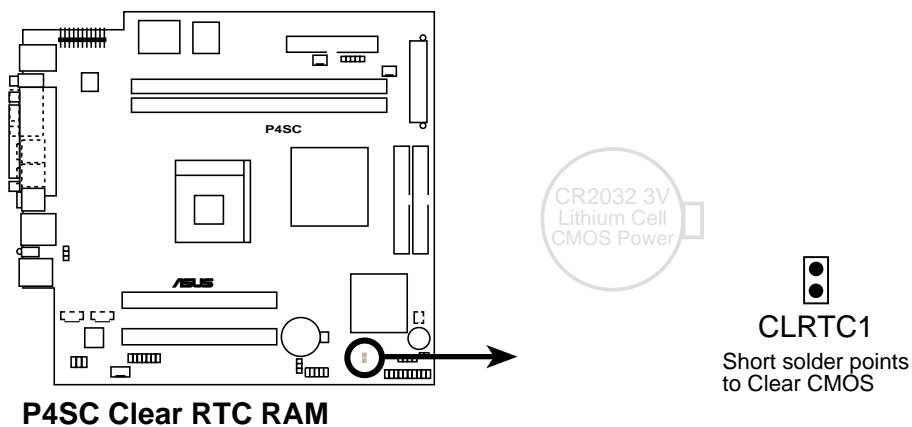
3.8 Connectors

This section describes and illustrates the connectors on the motherboard.

1. IDE connectors (40-1 pin IDE1, IDE2)

This connector supports the provided UltraDMA/100/66 IDE hard disk ribbon cable. Connect the cable's blue connector to the primary (recommended) or secondary IDE connector, then connect the gray connector to the UltraDMA/100/66 slave device (hard disk drive) and the black connector to the UltraDMA/100/66 master device. It is recommended that you connect non-UltraDMA/100/66 devices to the secondary IDE connector. If you install two hard disks, you must configure the second drive as a slave device by setting its jumper accordingly. Refer to the hard disk documentation for the jumper settings. BIOS supports specific device bootup. If you have more than two UltraDMA/100/66 devices, purchase another UltraDMA/100/66 cable. You may configure two hard disks to be both master devices with two ribbon cables – one for the primary IDE connector and another for the secondary IDE connector.

NOTES
Pin 20 on each IDE connector is removed to match the covered hole on the UltraDMA cable connector. This prevents incorrect orientation when you connect the cables.

For UltraDMA/100/66 IDE devices, use an 80-conductor IDE cable. The UltraDMA/66 cable included in the motherboard package also supports UltraDMA/100.

P4SC IDE Connectors

Secondary IDE Connector

Primary IDE Connector

NOTE: Orient the red markings (usually zigzag) on the IDE ribbon cable to PIN 1.

PIN 1
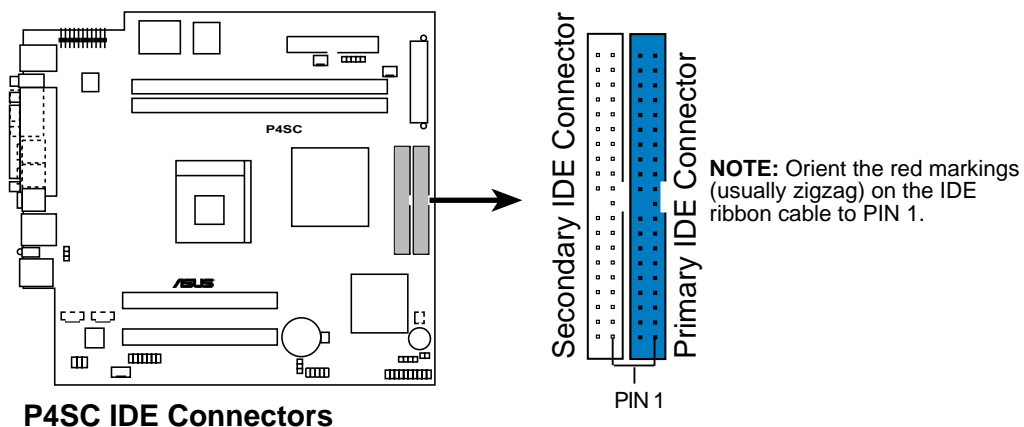
2. Floppy disk drive connector (34-1 pin FLOPPY1)

This connector supports the provided floppy drive ribbon cable. After connecting one end to the motherboard, connect the other end to the floppy drive. (Pin 5 is removed to prevent incorrect insertion when using ribbon cables with pin 5 plug).

FLOPPY

PIN 1

NOTE: Orient the red markings on the floppy ribbon cable to PIN 1.
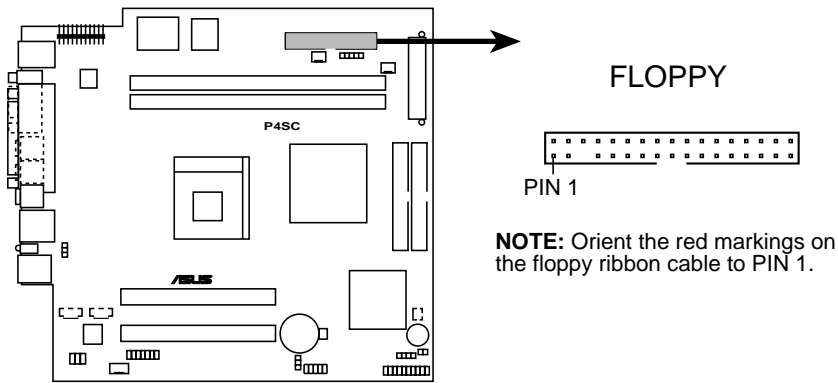
P4SC Floppy Disk Drive Connector

3. Hard disk activity LED (2-pin IDELED1)

This connector supplies power to the hard disk activity LED. The read or write activities of any device connected to the primary or secondary IDE connector cause this LED to light up.

TIP: If the case-mounted LED does not light, try reversing the 2-pin plug.

IDELED1

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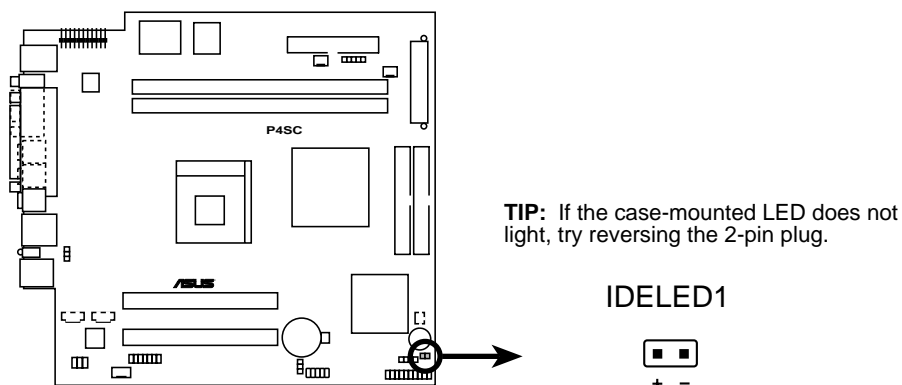
P4SC IDE Activity LED

4. ATX power connectors (20-pin ATXPWR, 4-pin ATX +12V)

These connectors connect to an ATX 12V power supply. The plugs from the power supply are designed to fit these connectors in only one orientation. Find the proper orientation and push down firmly until the connectors completely fit.

In addition to the 20-pin ATXPWR connector, this motherboard requires that you connect the 4-pin ATX +12V power plug to provide sufficient power to the CPU.

ATXPWR1

+12.0Volts	+5.0 Volts
+5V Standby	+5.0 Volts
Power Good	-5.0 Volts
Ground	Ground
+5.0 Volts	Ground
Ground	Ground
+5.0 Volts	Power Supply On
Ground	Ground
+3.3 Volts	-12.0Volts
+3.3 Volts	+3.3Volts

ATX12V1   COM   +12V DC

COM   +12V DC

P4SC ATX Power Connector
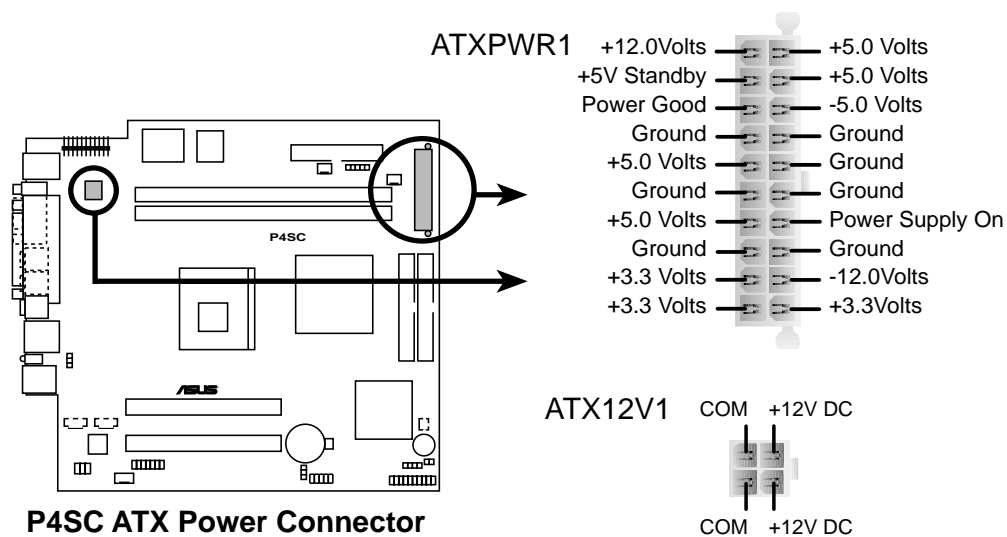
IMPORTANT

If you will need to replace the power supply in the future, make sure that your new ATX 12V power supply can provide 8A on the +12V lead and at least 1A on the +5-volt standby lead (+5VSB). The minimum recommended wattage is 230W, or 300W for a fully configured system. The system may become unstable and may experience difficulty powering up if the power supply is inadequate.

5. CPU, Chassis, and Power Fan Connectors (3-pin CPUFAN1, CHASFAN1)

The three fan connectors support cooling fans of 350mA (4.2 Watts) or a total of 1A (12W) at +12V. Orient the fans so that the heat sink fins allow air flow t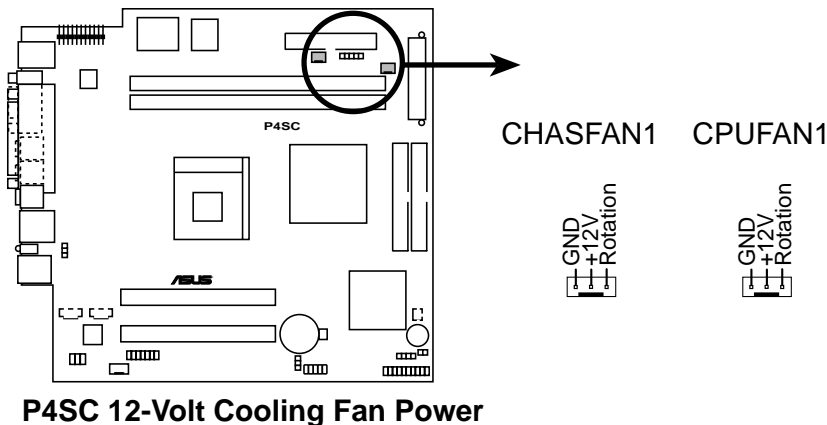o go across the onboard heat sinks instead of the expansion slots. The fan wiring and plug may vary depending on the fan manufacturer. Connect the fan cable to the connector matching the black wire to the ground pin.

P4SC 12-Volt Cooling Fan Power

IMPORTANT
Do not forget to connect the fan cables to the fan connectors. Lack of sufficient air flow within the system may damage the motherboard components. These are not jumpers! DO NOT place jumper caps on the fan connectors!

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6. Smart Card Reader connector (14-1 pin SMARTC1)

This connector accommodates a Smart Card Reader that allows you to conveniently make transactions such as financial, health care, telephony, or traveling services through a Smart Card user interface software.

P4SC Smartcard
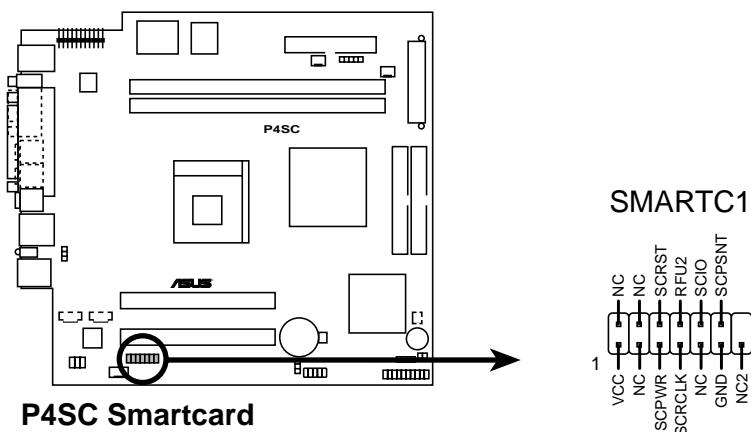
7. USB headers (10-1 pin USB2)

If the USB port connectors on the rear panel are inadequate, three USB headers are available for additional USB port connectors. The header labeled USB11_23 complies with the Universal Serial Bus (USB) 1.1 specification. Connect the bundled 2-port USB connector set to this header and mount the USB bracket to an open slot in the chassis.

P4SC USB Ports
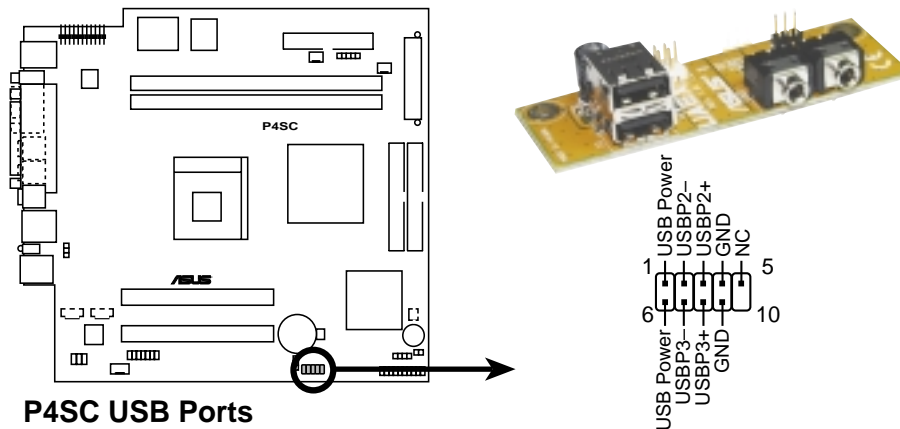
8. Digital audio connector (6-1 pin SPDIF1)

This connector connects an S/PDIF audio module that allows digital instead of analog sound output. Connect one end of the audio cable to the S/PDIF In/Out connector on the motherboard, and the other end to the S/PDIF module.

P4SC Digital Audio Connector
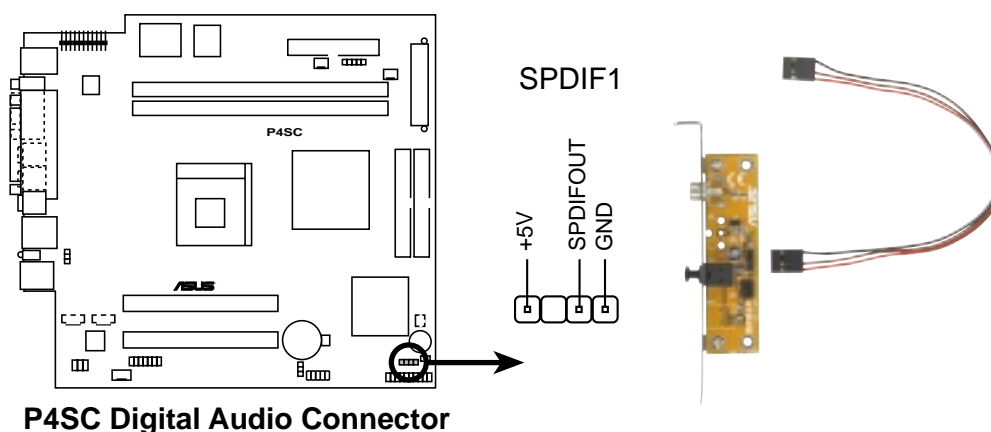
9. Internal audio connectors (4-pin CD1, AUX, MODEM)

These connectors allow you to receive stereo audio input from sound sources such as a CD-ROM, TV tuner, or MPEG card. The MODEM connector allows the onboard audio to interface with a voice modem card with a similar connector. It also allows the sharing of mono_in (such as a phone) and a mono_out (such as a speaker) between the audio and a voice modem card.

AUX1(White)

Left Audio Channel
Ground
Right Audio Channel

Left Audio Channel
Ground
Right Audio Channel

CD1(Black)

Modem-In (to Modem)
Ground
Modem-Out (from Modem)

MODEM

P4SC Internal Audio Connectors
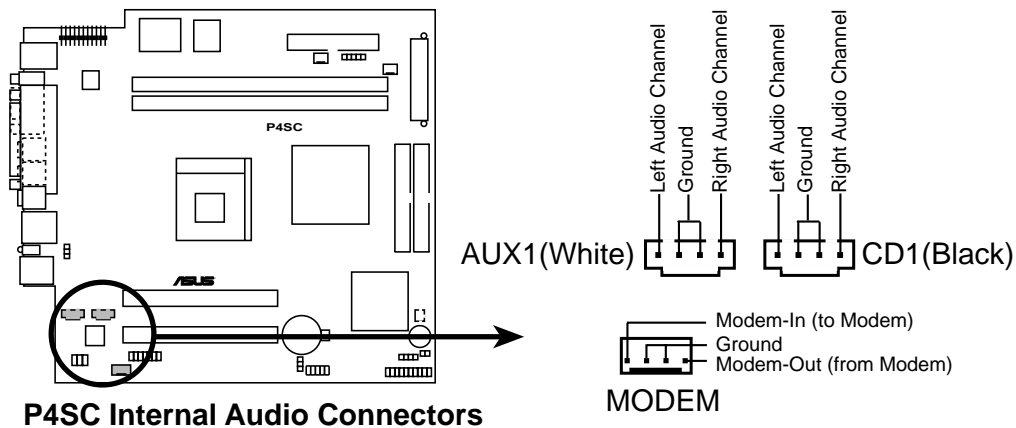
10. Front panel audio connectors (3-pin MICF, 3-pin SPEAKER)

These connectors connect to an optional front panel audio module using two 3-pin audio cables. If your chassis has this audio module, you may conveniently connect a microphone and a speaker/headphone on the front panel.

MIC_LOUT1

Head set Left channel

Head set Right channel   GND

1
1

MIC PWR   MIC Signal

P4SC Microphone Header
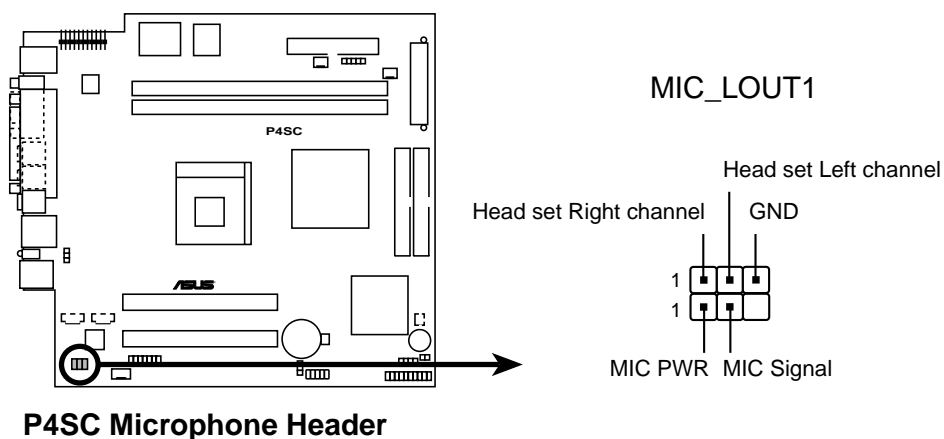
11. Infrared module connector (two 5-1 pin IR1)

This connector supports an optional wireless transmitting and receiving infrared module. This module mounts to a small opening on system chassis that support this feature. You must also configure the **UART2 Use As** parameter in BIOS to set UART2 for use with IR. See section "4.4.2 I/O Device Configuration" for details.

Use the five pins as shown in Back View and connect a ribbon cable from the module to the motherboard SIR connector according to the pin definitions.
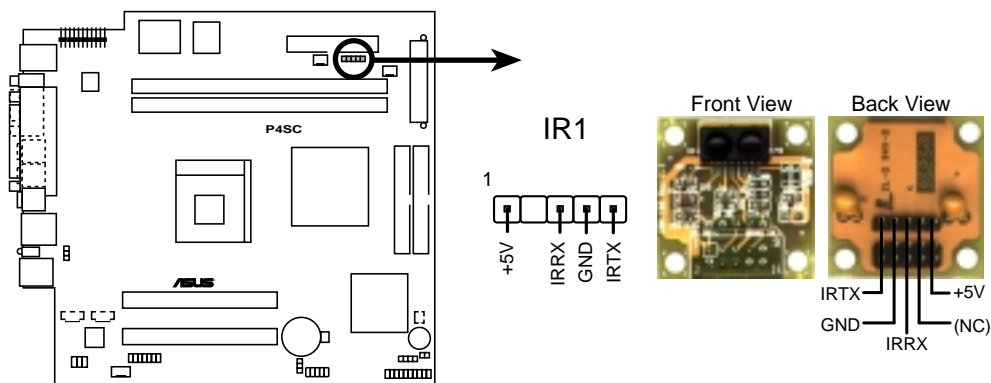
P4SC Infrared Module Connector

12. SIRQ1 connector (2-pin SIRQ1)

This connector allows you to connect the serial IRQ cable. This cable is required by some PCI cards such as those with PCMCIA function.
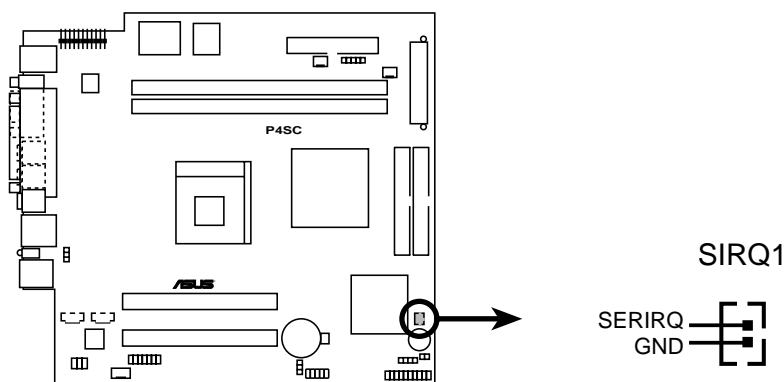
P4SC SIRQ1 Connector

13. IO extension module connector (22-pin IOC_MB)

This connector is for the CGAEX extension module.

P4SC IOC_MB Connector
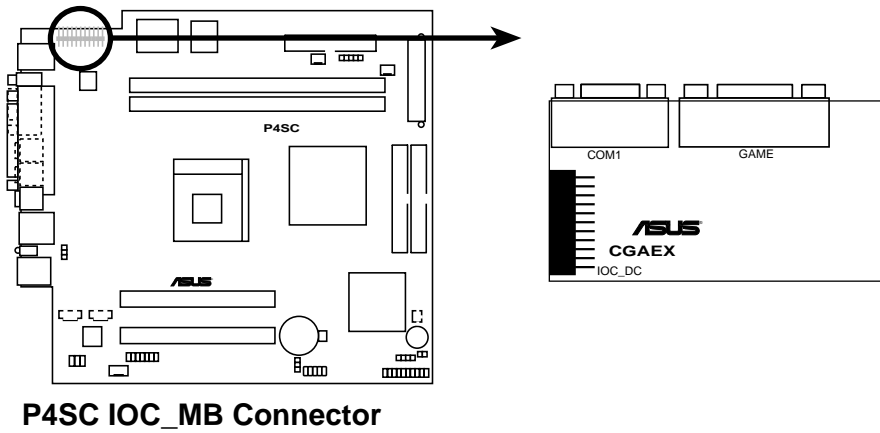
14. System panel connector (20-pin PANEL)

This connector accommodates several system front panel functions.

P4SC System Panel Connectors

* Requires an ATX power supply.
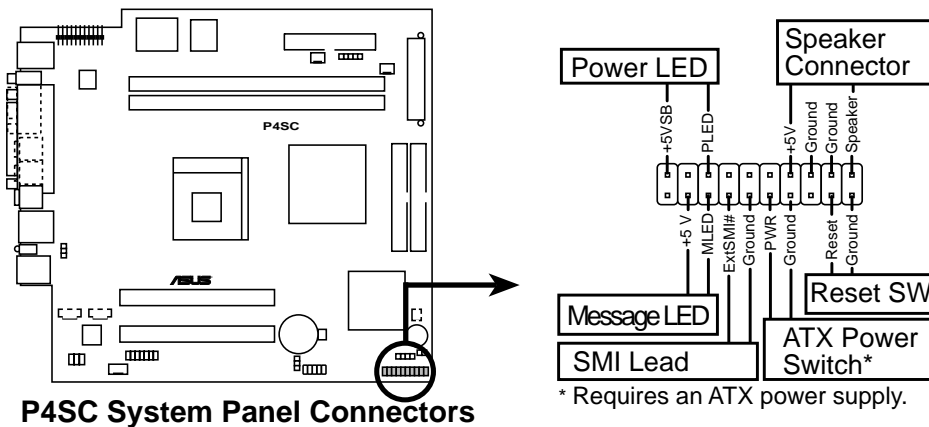
- **System Power LED Lead (3-1 pin PLED)**

  This 3-1 pin connector connects to the system power LED. The LED lights up when you turn on the system power, and blinks when the system is in sleep mode.

- **IDE LED Lead (2-pin IDELED)**

  This 2-pin connector connects the hard disk activity LED cable.

- **System Warning Speaker Lead (4-pin SPEAKER)**

  This 4-pin connector connects to the case-mounted speaker and allows you to hear system beeps and warnings.

- **System Message LED Lead (2-pin MLED)**

  This 2-pin connector is for the system message LED that indicates receipt of messages from a fax/modem. The normal status for this LED is OFF, when there is no incoming data signal. The LED blinks when data is received. The system message LED feature requires an ACPI OS and driver support.

- **System Management Interrupt Lead (2-pin SMI)**

  This 2-pin connector allows you to manually place the system into a suspend mode, or "green" mode, where system activity is instantly decreased to save power and to expand the life of certain system components. Attach the case-mounted suspend switch to this 2-pin connector.

- **ATX Power Switch / Soft-Off Switch Lead (2-pin PWR)**

  This connector connects a switch that controls the system power. Pressing the power switch turns the system between ON and SLEEP, or ON and SOFT OFF, depending on the BIOS or OS settings. Pressing the power switch while in the ON mode for more than 4 seconds turns the system OFF.

- **Reset Switch Lead (2-pin RESET)**

  This 2-pin connector connects to the case-mounted reset switch for rebooting the system without turning off the system power.

Chapter 4

This chapter tells how to change system settings through the BIOS Setup menus. It includes detailed descriptions of the BIOS parameters.

BIOS Information

4.1 Managing and updating the BIOS

4.1.1 Using the computer system for the first time

It is recommended that you save a copy of the original motherboard BIOS along with a Flash Memory Writer utility (AFLASH.EXE) to a bootable floppy disk in case you need to reinstall the BIOS later. AFLASH.EXE is a Flash Memory Writer utility that updates the BIOS by uploading a new BIOS file to the programmable flash ROM on the motherboard. This file works only in DOS mode. To determine the BIOS version of your motherboard, check the last four numbers of the code displayed on the upper left-hand corner of your screen during bootup. Larger numbers represent a newer BIOS file.

1. Type FORMAT A:/S at the DOS prompt to create a bootable system disk. DO NOT copy AUTOEXEC.BAT and CONFIG.SYS to the disk.
2. Type COPY D:\AFLASH\AFLASH.EXE A:\ (assuming D is your CD-ROM drive) to copy AFLASH.EXE to the boot disk you created.

NOTE

AFLASH works only in DOS mode. It does not work in the DOS prompt within Windows, and does not work with certain memory drivers that may be loaded when you boot from the hard drive. It is recommended that you reboot using a floppy disk.

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3. Reboot the computer from the floppy disk.

NOTE

BIOS setup must specify "Floppy" as the first item in the boot sequence.

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4. In DOS mode, type A:\AFLASH <Enter> to run AFLASH.

IMPORTANT

If the word "unknown" appears after Flash Memory:, the memory chip is either not programmable or is not supported by the ACPI BIOS and therefore, cannot be programmed by the Flash Memory Writer utility.

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5. Select 1. Save Current BIOS to File from the Main menu and press <Enter>. The Save Current BIOS To File screen appears.
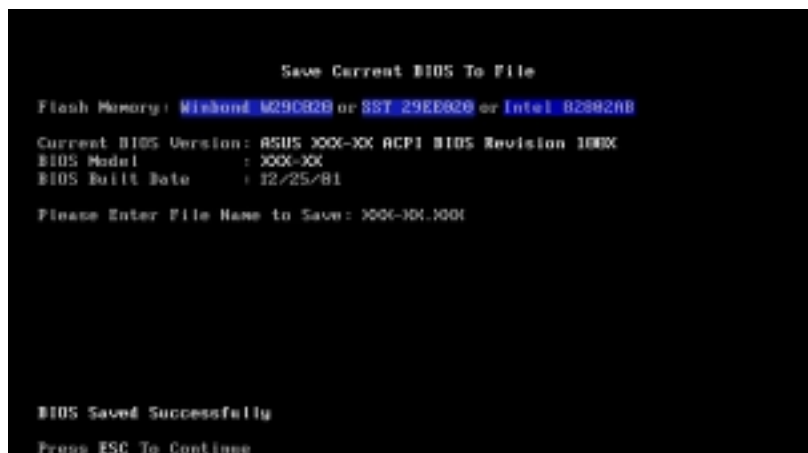
6. Type a filename and the path, for example, A:\XXX-XX.XXX, then press <Enter>.

4.1.2 Updating BIOS procedures
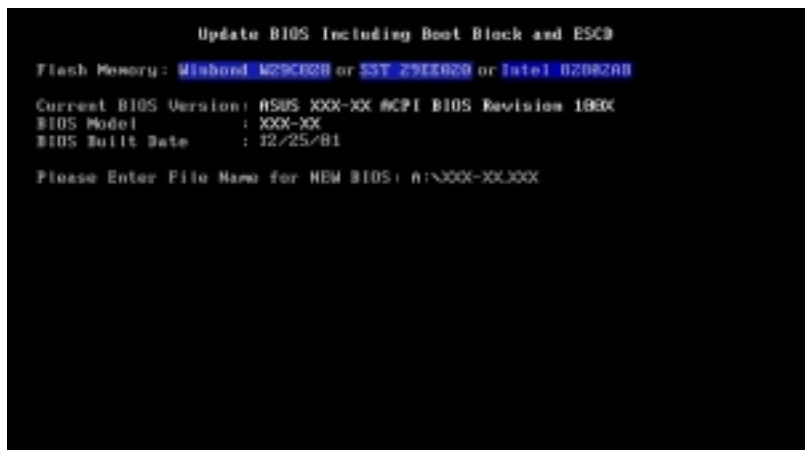
CAUTION!
Update the BIOS only if you have problems with the motherboard and you are sure that the new BIOS revision will solve your problems. Careless updating may result to more problems with the motherboard!
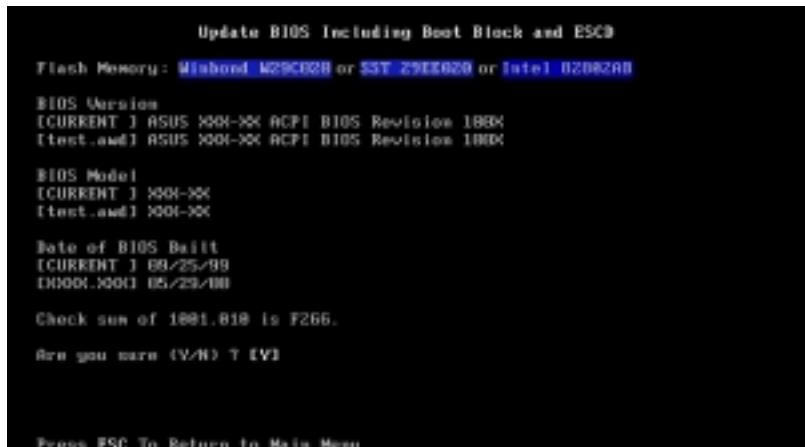
1. Download an updated ASUS BIOS file from the Internet (WWW or FTP) (see ASUS CONTACT INFORMATION on page x for details) and save to the boot floppy disk you created earlier.
2. Boot from the floppy disk.
3. At the "A:\" prompt, type AFLASH and then press <Enter>.
4. At the Main Menu, type 2 then press <Enter>. The Update BIOS Including Boot Block and ESCD screen appears.
5. Type the filename of your new BIOS and the path, for example, A:\XXX-XX.XXX, then press <Enter>.
To cancel this operation, press <Enter>.

6. When prompted to confirm the BIOS update, press **Y** to start the update.

7.   The utility starts to program the new BIOS information into the Flash ROM. The boot block is updated automatically only when necessary. This minimizes the possibility of boot problems in case of update failures. When the programming is done, the message *"Flashed Successfully"* appears.

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                    Update BIOS Including Boot Block and ESCD

Flash Memory: Winbond W29C020 or SST 29EE020 or Intel 82802AB

BIOS Version
[CURRENT ] ASUS XXX-XX ACPI BIOS Revision 100X
[test.awd] ASUS XXX-XX ACPI BIOS Revision 100X

BIOS Model
[CURRENT ] XXX-XX
[test.awd] XXX-XX

Date of BIOS Built
[CURRENT ] 12/25/01
[XXXX.XXX] 05/29/01

Check sum of 1001.010 is F266.

Are you sure (Y/N) ? [Y]
Block Erasing -- Done
Programming   -- 3FFFF
Flashed Successfully

Press ESC To Continue
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8.   Follow the onscreen instructions to continue.

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                            ASUS ACPI BIOS
                       FLASH MEMORY WRITER V2.0
            Copyright (C) 1994-2001  ASUSTeK COMPUTER INC.

Flash Memory: Winbond W29C020 or SST 29EE020 or Intel 82802AB

Current BIOS Version: ASUS XXX-XX ACPI BIOS Revision 100X
BIOS Model         : XXX-XX
BIOS Built Date    : 12/25/01

Choose one of the followings:

1. Save Current BIOS To File
2. Update BIOS Including Boot Block and ESCD


Enter choice: [1]



You have flashed the EPROM;It is recommended that you turn off
the power, enter SETUP and LOAD Setup Defaults to have CMOS
updated with new BIOS when exits.

Press ESC To Exit
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WARNING!
If you encounter problems while updating the new BIOS, DO NOT turn off the system because this may cause boot problems. Just repeat the process, and if the problem persists, load the original BIOS file you saved to the boot disk. If the Flash Memory Writer utility is not able to successfully update a complete BIOS file, the system may not boot. If this happens, call the ASUS service center for support.

4.2   BIOS Setup program

This motherboard supports a programmable EEPROM that you can update using the provided utility described in section *"4.1 Managing and updating your BIOS."*

Use the BIOS Setup program when you are installing a motherboard, reconfiguring your system, or prompted to "Run Setup". This section explains how to configure your system using this utility.

Even if you are not prompted to use the Setup program, you may want to change the configuration of your computer in the future. For example, you may want to enable the security password feature or make changes to the power management settings. This requires you to reconfigure your system using the BIOS Setup program so that the computer can recognize these changes and record them in the CMOS RAM of the EEPROM.

The EEPROM on the motherboard stores the Setup utility. When you start up the computer, the system provides you with the opportunity to run this program. Press <Delete> during the Power-On Self Test (POST) to enter the Setup utility, otherwise, POST continues with its test routines.

If you wish to enter Setup after POST, restart the system by pressing <Ctrl> + <Alt> + <Delete>, or by pressing the reset button on the system chassis. You can also restart by turning the system off and then back on. Do this last option only if the first two failed.

The Setup program is designed to make it as easy to use as possible. It is a menu-driven program, which means you can scroll through the various sub-menus and make your selections among the predetermined choices.

NOTE
Because the BIOS software is constantly being updated, the following BIOS setup screens and descriptions are for reference purposes only, and may not exactly match what you see on your screen.

4.2.1   BIOS menu bar

The top of the screen has a menu bar with the following selections:

MAIN   Use this menu to make changes to the basic system configuration.

ADVANCED Use this menu to enable and make changes to the advanced features.

POWER   Use this menu to configure and enable Power Management features.

BOOT   Use this menu to configure the default system device used to locate and load the Operating System.

EXIT   Use this menu to exit the current menu or to exit the Setup program.

To access the menu bar items, press the right or left arrow key on the keyboard until the desired item is highlighted.

4.2.2   Legend bar

At the bottom of the Setup screen is a legend bar. The keys in the legend bar allow you to navigate through the various setup menus. The following table lists the keys found in the legend bar with their corresponding functions.

Navigation Key(s)	Function Description
<F1> or <Alt + H>	Displays the General Help screen from anywhere in the BIOS Setup
<Esc>	Jumps to the Exit menu or returns to the main menu from a sub-menu
Left or Right arrow	Selects the menu item to the left or right
Up or Down arrow	Moves the highlight up or down between fields
- (minus key)	Scrolls backward through the values for the highlighted field
+ (plus key) or spacebar	Scrolls forward through the values for the highlighted field
<Enter>	Brings up a selection menu for the highlighted field
<Home> or <PgUp>	Moves the cursor to the first field
<End> or <PgDn>	Moves the cursor to the last field
<F5>	Resets the current screen to its Setup Defaults
<F10>	Saves changes and exits Setup

General help

In addition to the Item Specific Help window, the BIOS setup program also provides a General Help screen. You may launch this screen from any menu by simply pressing <F1> or the <Alt> + <H> combination. The General Help screen lists the legend keys and their corresponding functions.

Saving changes and exiting the Setup program

See *"4.7 Exit Menu"* for detailed information on saving changes and exiting the setup program.

Scroll bar

When a scroll bar appears to the right of a help window, it indicates that there is more information to be displayed that will not fit in the window. Use <PgUp> and <PgDn> or the up and down arrow keys to scroll through the entire help document. Press <Home> to display the first page, press <End> to go to the last page. To exit the help window, press <Enter> or <Esc>.

Sub-menu
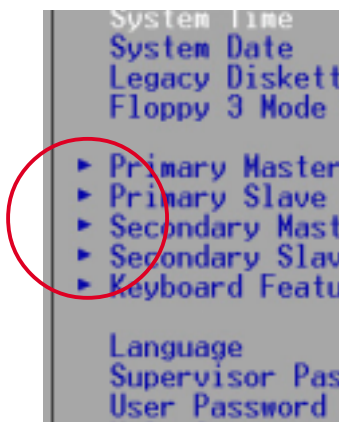
Note that a right pointer symbol (as shown on the left) appears to the left of certain fields. This pointer indicates that you can display a sub-menu from this field. A sub-menu contains additional options for a field parameter. To display a sub-menu, move the highlight to the field and press <Enter>. 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 sub-menus. If you accidentally make unwanted changes to any of the fields, use the set default hot key <F5> to load the Setup 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.

4.3   Main Menu

When you enter the Setup program, the following screen appears.

```
                       AwardBIOS Setup Utility
   Main    Advanced    Power    Boot    Exit
 ┌────────────────────────────────────────────┬─────────────────────────────┐
 │                                              │     Item Specific Help      │
 │ System Time            [13:40:33]            ├─────────────────────────────┤
 │ System Date            [02/00/2001]          │                             │
 │ Legacy Diskette A      [1.44M, 3.5 in.]      │ <Enter> to select field;    │
 │ Floppy 3 Mode Support  [Disabled]            │ <+>,<-> to change value.    │
 │                                              │                             │
 │ ► Primary Master       [Auto]                │                             │
 │ ► Primary Slave        [Auto]                │                             │
 │ ► Secondary Master     [Auto]                │                             │
 │ ► Secondary Slave      [Auto]                │                             │
 │ ► Keyboard Features                          │                             │
 │                                              │                             │
 │   Language             [English]             │                             │
 │   Supervisor Password  [Disabled]            │                             │
 │   User Password        [Disabled]            │                             │
 │   Halt On              [All Errors]          │                             │
 │   Installed Memory     64 MB                 │                             │
 │                                              │                             │
 ├──────────────────────────────────────────────┴─────────────────────────────┤
 │ F1  Help   ↑↓  Select Item   -/+   Change Values    F5   Setup Defaults    │
 │ ESC Exit   ←→  Select Menu   Enter Select ► Sub-Menu  F10  Save and Exit   │
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System Time [XX:XX:XX]

Sets the system to the time that you specify (usually the current time). The format is hour, minute, second. Valid values for hour, minute and second are Hour: (00 to 23), Minute: (00 to 59), Second: (00 to 59). Use the <Tab> or <Shift> + <Tab> keys to move between the hour, minute, and second fields.

System Date [XX/XX/XXXX]

Sets the system to the date that you specify (usually the current date). The format is month, day, year. Valid values for month, day, and year are Month: (1 to 12), Day: (1 to 31), Year: (up to 2084). Use the <Tab> or <Shift> + <Tab> keys to move between the month, day, and year fields.

Legacy Diskette A [1.44M, 3.5 in.]

Sets the type of floppy drive installed. Configuration options: [None] [360K, 5.25 in.] [1.2M , 5.25 in.] [720K , 3.5 in.] [1.44M, 3.5 in.] [2.88M, 3.5 in.]

Floppy 3 Mode Support [Disabled]

This is required to support older Japanese floppy drives. The Floppy 3 Mode feature allows reading and writing of 1.2MB (as opposed to 1.44MB) on a 3.5-inch diskette. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

4.3.1 Primary and Secondary Master/Slave

```
                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
  Main

        Primary Master   [Auto]               Item Specific Help

    Type                      [Auto]         <Enter> to select the
                                             type of the IDE drive.
    Cylinders             [ 1024]            [User Type HDD] allows
    Head                  [255]              you to set each entry on
    Sector                [63]               your own.
    CHS Capacity          8422MB
    Maximum LBA Capacity  25590MB            WARNING: Ultra DMA mode
                                             3/4/5 can be enabled
    Multi-Sector Transfers [Maximum]         only when BIOS detects
    SMART Monitoring       [Disabled]        shielded 80-pin cable.
    PIO Mode               [4]
    ULTRA DMA Mode         [Disabled]


  F1   Help    ↑↓  Select Item   -/+   Change Values        F5   Setup Defaults
  ESC  Exit    ↔   Select Menu   Enter Select ► Sub-Menu     F10  Save and Exit
```

Type [Auto]

Select [Auto] to automatically detect an IDE hard disk drive. If automatic
detection is successful, Setup automatically fills in the correct values for
the remaining fields on this sub-menu. If automatic detection fails, this may
be because the hard disk drive is too old or too new. If the hard disk was
already formatted on an older system, Setup may detect incorrect
parameters. In these cases, select [User Type HDD] to manually enter the
IDE hard disk drive parameters. Refer to the next section for details.

CAUTION
Before attempting to configure a hard disk drive, make sure you have
the correct configuration information supplied by the drive manufacturer.
Incorrect settings may cause the system to fail to recognize the installed
hard disk.

[User Type HDD]

```
                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
  Main

      Primary Master   [User Type HDD]              Item Specific Help

   Type                     [User Type HDD]       <Enter> to select the
   Translation Method       [LBA]                 type of the IDE drive.
                                                  [User Type HDD] allows
   Cylinders                [ 1024]               you to set each entry on
   Head                     [255]                 your own.
   Sector                   [63]
   CHS Capacity             8422MB                WARNING: Ultra DMA mode
   Maximum LBA Capacity     25590MB               3/4/5 can be enabled
                                                  only when BIOS detects
   Multi-Sector Transfers   [Maximum]             shielded 80-pin cable.
   SMART Monitoring         [Disabled]
   PIO Mode                 [4]
   ULTRA DMA Mode           [Disabled]

  F1   Help   ↑↓  Select Item   -/+    Change Values    F5   Setup Defaults
  ESC  Exit   ↔   Select Menu   Enter  Select ▶ Sub-Menu F10  Save and Exit
```

Manually enter the number of cylinders, heads and sectors per track for the drive. Refer to the drive documentation or on the drive label for this information.

> **NOTE**
>
> After entering the IDE hard disk drive information into BIOS, use a disk utility, such as FDISK, to partition and format new IDE hard disk drives. This is necessary so that you can write or read data from the hard disk. Make sure to set the partition of the Primary IDE hard disk drives to active.

If no drive is installed or if you are removing a drive and not replacing it, select [None].

Other options for the Type field are:

[CD-ROM] - for IDE CD-ROM drives

[LS-120] - for LS-120 compatible floppy disk drives

[ZIP] - for ZIP-compatible disk drives

[MO] - for IDE magneto optical disk drives

[Other ATAPI Device] - for IDE devices not listed here

After making your selections on this sub-menu, press the <Esc> key to return to the Main menu. When the Main menu appears, the hard disk drive field displays the size for the hard disk drive that you configured.

Translation Method [LBA]

Select the hard disk drive type in this field. When Logical Block Addressing (LBA) is enabled, the 28-bit addressing of the hard drive is used without regard for cylinders, heads, or sectors. Note that LBA Mode is necessary for drives with more than 504MB storage capacity. Configuration options: [LBA] [LARGE] [Normal] [Match Partition Table] [Manual]

Cylinders

This field configures the number of cylinders. Refer to the drive documentation to determine the correct value. To make changes to this field, set the Type field to [User Type HDD] and the Translation Method field to [Manual].

Head

This field configures the number of read/write heads. Refer to the drive documentation to determine the correct value. To make changes to this field, set the Type field to [User Type HDD] and the Translation Method field to [Manual].

Sector

This field configures the number of sectors per track. Refer to the drive documentation to determine the correct value. To make changes to this field, set the Type field to [User Type HDD] and the Translation Method field to [Manual].

CHS Capacity

This field shows the drive's maximum CHS capacity as calculated by the BIOS based on the drive information you entered.

Maximum LBA Capacity

This field shows the drive's maximum LBA capacity as calculated by the BIOS based on the drive information you entered.

Multi-Sector Transfers [Maximum]

This option automatically sets the number of sectors per block to the highest number that the drive supports. Note that when this field is automatically configured, the set value may not always be the fastest value for the drive. You may also manually configure this field. Refer to the documentation that came with the hard drive to determine the optimum value and set it manually. To make changes to this field, set the Type field to [User Type HDD]. Configuration options: [Disabled] [2 Sectors] [4 Sectors] [8 Sectors] [16 Sectors] [32 Sectors] [Maximum]

SMART Monitoring [Disabled]

This field allows you to enable or disable the S.M.A.R.T. (Self-Monitoring, Analysis and Reporting Technology) system that utilizes internal hard disk drive monitoring technology. This parameter is normally disabled because the resources used in the SMART monitoring feature may decrease system performance. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

PIO Mode [4]

This option lets you set a PIO (Programmed Input/Output) mode for the IDE device. Modes 0 through 4 provide successive increase in performance. Configuration options: [0] [1] [2] [3] [4]

Ultra DMA Mode [Disabled]

Ultra DMA capability allows improved transfer speeds and data integrity for compatible IDE devices. Set to [Disabled] to suppress Ultra DMA capability. To make changes to this field, set the Type field to [User Type HDD]. Configuration options: [0] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [Disabled]

4.3.2   Keyboard Features

```
                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
  Main

        Keyboard Features                    Item Specific Help

  Boot Up NumLock Status     [On]            Select Power-on state
  Keyboard Auto-Repeat Rate  [6/Sec]         for Numlock
  Keyboard Auto-Repeat Delay [1/4 Sec]




  F1   Help    ↑↓  Select Item   -/+    Change Values      F5   Setup Defaults
  ESC  Exit    ←→  Select Menu    Enter  Select ► Sub-Menu  F10  Save and Exit
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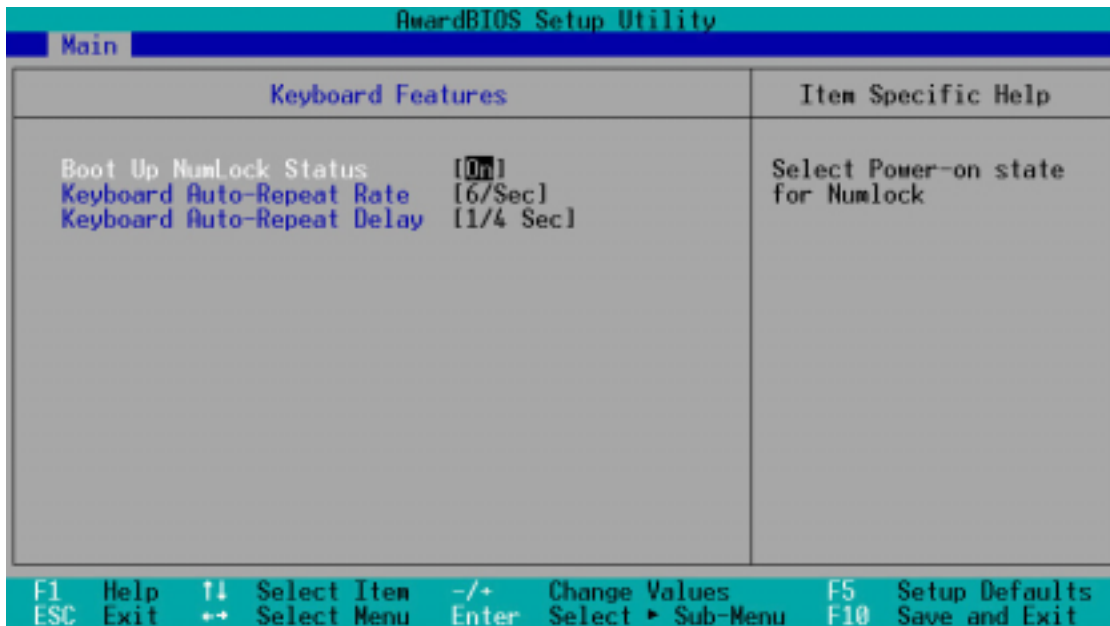
Boot Up NumLock Status [On]

This field enables users to activate the Number Lock function upon system boot. Configuration options: [Off] [On]

Keyboard Auto-Repeat Rate [6/Sec]

This controls the speed at which the system registers repeated keystrokes. Options range from 6 to 30 characters per second. Configuration options: [6/Sec] [8/Sec] [10/Sec] [12/Sec] [15/Sec] [20/Sec] [24/Sec] [30/Sec]

Keyboard Auto-Repeat Delay [1/4 Sec]

This field sets the time interval for displaying the first and second characters. Configuration options: [1/4 Sec] [1/2 Sec] [3/4 Sec] [1 Sec]

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Main menu items continued...

Language [English]

This field displays the BIOS language version.

Supervisor Password [Disabled] / User Password [Disabled]

These fields allow you to set passwords. To set a password, highlight the appropriate field and press <Enter>. Type in a password then press <Enter>. You can type up to eight alphanumeric characters. Symbols and other characters are ignored. To confirm the password, type the password again and press <Enter>. The password is now set to [Enabled]. This password allows full access to the BIOS Setup menus. To clear the password, highlight this field and press <Enter>. The same dialog box as above appears. Press <Enter>. The password is set to [Disabled].

A note about passwords

The BIOS Setup program allows you to specify passwords in the Main menu. The passwords control access to the BIOS during system startup. Passwords are not case sensitive, meaning, passwords typed in either uppercase or lowercase letters are accepted. The BIOS Setup program allows you to specify two different passwords: a Supervisor password and a User password. If you did not set a Supervisor password, anyone can access the BIOS Setup program. If you did, the Supervisor password is required to enter the BIOS Setup program and to gain full access to the configuration fields.

Forgot the password?

If you forget your password, you can clear it by erasing the CMOS Real Time Clock (RTC) RAM. The RAM data containing the password information is powered by the onboard button cell battery. See section "3.7 Jumpers" for information on how to erase the RTC RAM.

Halt On [All Errors]

This field specifies the types of errors that will cause the system to halt. Configuration options: [All Errors] [No Error] [All but Keyboard] [All but Disk] [All but Disk/Keyboard]

Installed Memory [XXX MB]

This field automatically displays the amount of conventional memory detected by the system during the boot process.

4.4 Advanced Menu
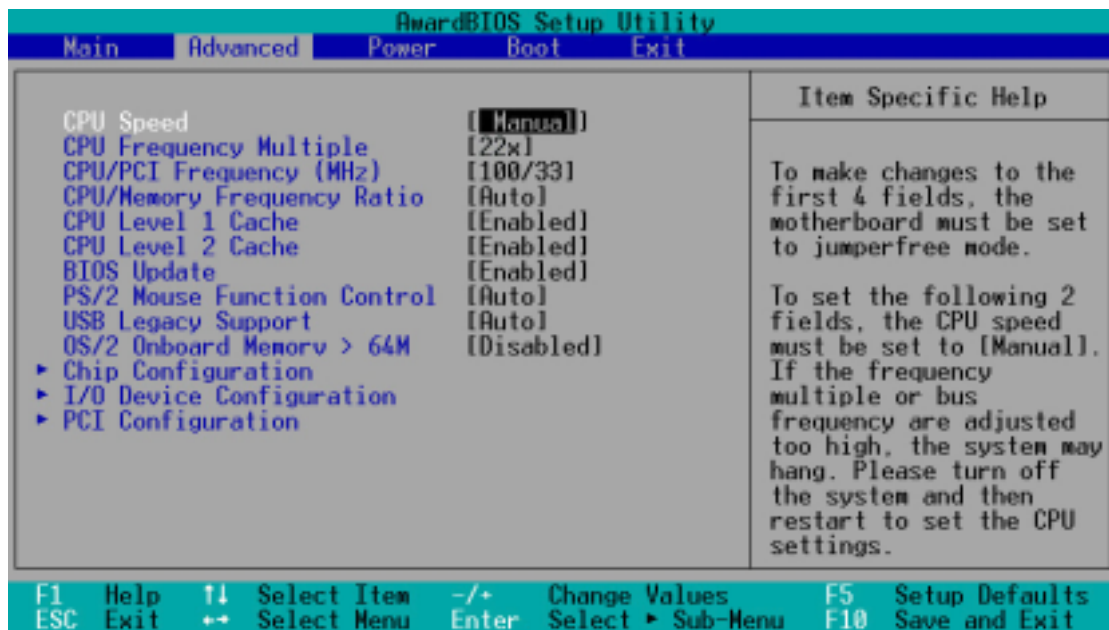
CPU Speed [Manual]

This parameter allows you select the CPU internal frequency. You can select either one of the preset speeds, [2200 MHz] or [2933 MHz], or select [Manual] if you wish to adjust the setting of the next item, CPU Frequency Multiple. Configuration options: [Manual] [2200 MHz] [2933 MHz]

CAUTION
Be careful when setting the CPU internal frequency. Selecting a frequency higher than what the CPU manufacturer recommends may cause the system to hang or crash!

CPU Frequency Multiple (when CPU Speed is set to [Manual])

This field is for unlocked processors only. If your processor frequency multiple is locked, you cannot access this field. This field sets the frequency multiple between the CPU's internal frequency (CPU speed) and external frequency.

CPU/PCI Frequency (MHz)

This feature tells the clock generator what frequency to send to the system bus and PCI bus. The bus frequency (external frequency) multiplied by the bus multiple equals the CPU speed.

CPU/Memory Frequency Ratio [Auto]

This field determines whether the memory clock frequency is set to be in synchronous or asynchronous mode with respect to the system frequency. The options that appear in the popup menu vary according to the CPU/PCI Frequency (MHz). Configuration options: [Auto] [1:1] [3:4] [3:5]

CPU Level 1 Cache, CPU Level 2 Cache [Enabled]

These fields allow you to choose from the default of [Enabled] or choose [Disabled] to turn on or off the CPU Level 1 and Level 2 built-in cache. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

BIOS Update [Enabled]

This field functions as an update loader integrated into the BIOS to supply the processor with the required data. When set to [Enabled], the BIOS loads the update on all processors during system bootup. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

PS/2 Mouse Function Control [Auto]

The default setting [Auto] allows the system to detect a PS/2 mouse at startup. If a mouse is detected, the BIOS assigns IRQ12 to the PS/2 mouse. Otherwise, IRQ12 can be used for expansion cards. When you set this field to [Enabled], BIOS reserves IRQ12, whether or not a PS/2 mouse is detected at startup. Configuration options: [Enabled] [Auto]

USB Legacy Support [Auto]

This motherboard supports Universal Serial Bus (USB) devices. The default of [Auto] allows the system to detect a USB device at startup. If detected, the USB controller legacy mode is enabled. If not detected, the USB controller legacy mode is disabled.

When you set this field to [Disabled], the USB controller legacy mode is disabled whether or not you are using a USB device. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled] [Auto]

OS/2 Onboard Memory > 64M [Disabled]

When using OS/2 operating systems with installed DRAM of greater than 64MB, you need to set this option to [Enabled]. Otherwise, leave to the default setting [Disabled]. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

4.4.1 Chip Configuration

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                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
         Advanced

            Chip Configuration                      Item Specific Help

   SDRAM Configuration              [By SPD]      <Enter> to select SDRAM
   SDRAM CAS Latency                [2T]          configuration.
   SDRAM RAS to CAS Delay           [3T]          [By SPD] is recommended.
   SDRAM RAS Precharge Time         [3T]          [User Define] allows you
   SDRAM RAS Active Time            [6T]          to set each
   SDRAM Command Lead-off Time      [Auto]        configuration on your
   Graphics Aperture Size           [64MB]        own.
   AGP Capability                   [4X Mode]
   AGP Fast Write Capability        [Disabled]
   Onboard VGA Shared Memory Size   [32M]
   Video Memory Cache Mode          [UC]
   Memory Hole At 15M-16M           [Disabled]
   PCI 2.1 Support                  [Enabled]
   Onboard PCI IDE Enable           [Both]


   F1   Help    ↑↓  Select Item   -/+   Change Values    F5    Setup Defaults
   ESC  Exit    ←→  Select Menu    Enter  Select ► Sub-Menu  F10  Save and Exit
```

SDRAM Configuration [By SPD]

This parameter allows you to set the optimal timings for items 2–5, depending on the memory modules that you are using. The default setting is [By SPD], which configures items 2–5 by reading the contents in the SPD (Serial Presence Detect) device. The EEPROM on the memory module stores critical information about the module, such as memory type, size, speed, voltage interface, and module banks.
Configuration options: [User Defined] [By SPD]

> **NOTE**
> The SDRAM parameters (items 2~5) become configurable only when you set the SDRAM Configuration to [User Defined].

SDRAM CAS Latency [2T]

This item controls the latency between the SDRAM read command and the time the data actually becomes available.

SDRAM RAS to CAS Delay [3T]

This item controls the latency between the SDRAM active command and the read/write command.

SDRAM RAS Precharge Time [3T]

This item controls the idle clocks after issuing a precharge command to the SDRAM.

SDRAM Active Time [6T]

This item controls the number of SDRAM clocks used for SDRAM parameters.

SDRAM Command Lead-off Time [Auto]

This item allows you to select the SDRAM lead-off time. Configuration options: [Auto] [2T] [1T]

Graphics Aperture Size [64MB]

This item allows you to select the size of mapped memory for AGP graphic data. Configuration options: [4MB] [8MB] [16MB] [32MB] [64MB] [128MB] [256MB]

AGP Capability [4X Mode]

When set to [4X Mode], this item allows 1066MB/s video data transfers through the AGP 4X interface card. When set to [1X Mode], the AGP interface only provides a peak data throughput of 266MB/s even if you are using an AGP 4X card. Configuration options: [1X Mode] [4X Mode]

AGP Fast Write Capability [Disabled]

This item allows you to enable or disable the AGP fast write feature. The AGP fast write is a data transfer protocol that combines PCI and AGP protocols to support continuous data transfer directly from the chipset to the AGP. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Onboard VGA Shared Memory Size [32M]

This item allows you to set the memory space reserved for the VGA frame buffer (display memory) within the system main memory. If you have installed a 3D graphics device, select at least 16MB VGA shared memory size. Note that the more system memory you share with VGA, the less memory space is left for other system devices. Configuration options: [4M] [8M] [16M] [32M] [64M]

Video Memory Cache Mode [UC]

USWC (uncacheable, speculative write combining) is a new cache technology for the video memory of the processor. It can greatly improve the display speed by caching the display data. You must set this to UC (uncacheable) if your display card does not support this feature, otherwise the system may not boot. Configuration options: [UC] [USWC]

Memory Hole At 15M-16M [Disabled]

This field allows you to reserve an address space for ISA expansion cards. Setting the address space to a particular setting makes that memory space unavailable to other system components. Expansion cards can only access memory up to 16MB. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]
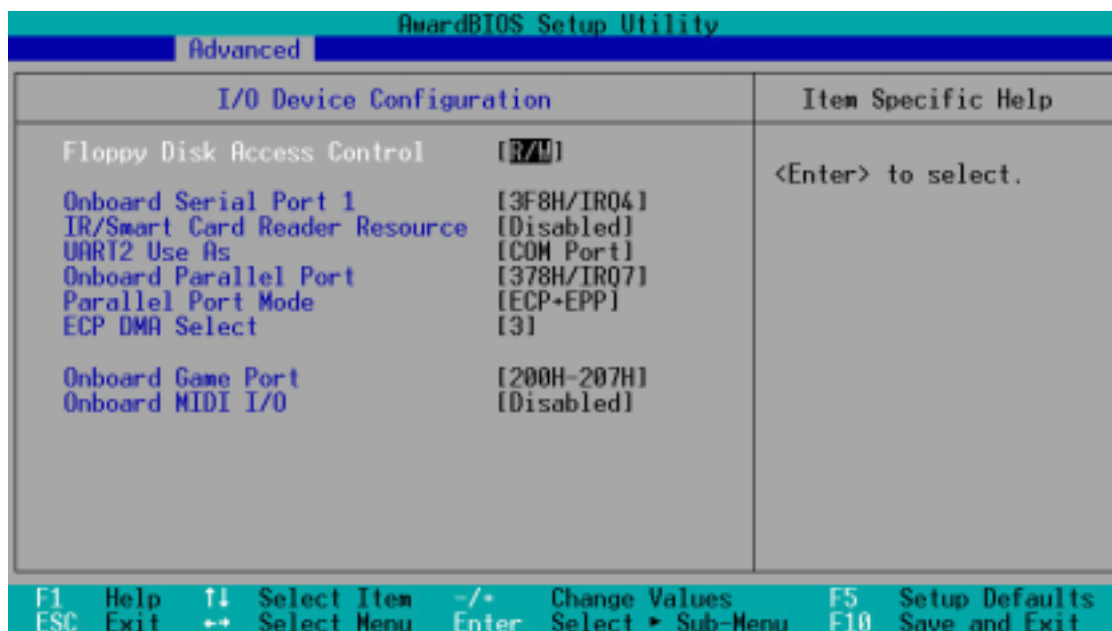
PCI 2.1 Support [Enabled]

This field allows you to enable or disable the PCI 2.1 features. Keep the default setting [Enabled] if you installed PCI 2.1 compliant cards. Set to [Disabled] if you installed any card that is not PCI 2.1 compliant. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Onboard PCI IDE [Both]

This field allows you to enable either the primary IDE channel or secondary IDE channel, or both. You can also set both channels to [Disabled]. Configuration options: [Both] [Primary] [Secondary] [Disabled]

4.4.2 I/O Device Configuration

```
                        AwardBIOS Setup Utility
       Advanced

            I/O Device Configuration              Item Specific Help

  Floppy Disk Access Control      [R/W]
                                                   <Enter> to select.
  Onboard Serial Port 1           [3F8H/IRQ4]
  IR/Smart Card Reader Resource   [Disabled]
  UART2 Use As                    [COM Port]
  Onboard Parallel Port           [378H/IRQ7]
  Parallel Port Mode              [ECP+EPP]
  ECP DMA Select                  [3]

  Onboard Game Port               [200H-207H]
  Onboard MIDI I/O                [Disabled]




  F1   Help   ↑↓  Select Item   -/+    Change Values      F5   Setup Defaults
  ESC  Exit   ←→  Select Menu   Enter  Select ► Sub-Menu  F10  Save and Exit
```

Floppy Disk Access Control [R/W]

When set to [Read Only], this parameter protects files from being copied to floppy disks by allowing reads from, but not writes to, the floppy disk drive. The default setting [R/W] allows both reads and writes. Configuration options: [R/W] [Read Only]

Onboard Serial Port 1 [3F8H/IRQ4]

This field allows you to set the I/O address and IRQ assignment for the onboard serial connector. Configuration options: [3F8H/IRQ4] [2F8H/IRQ3] [3E8H/IRQ4] [2E8H/IRQ10] [Disabled]

IR/Smart Card Reader Resource [Disabled]

This field allows you to set the I/O address and IRQ assignment for the infrared device or card reader device if you installed one. Configuration options: [3F8H/IRQ4] [2F8H/IRQ3] [3E8H/IRQ4] [2E8H/IRQ10] [Disabled]

UART2 Use As [COM Port]

This field allows you to select the device on which to assign UART2. Configuration options: [COM Port] [IR] [Smart Card Reader]

Onboard Parallel Port [378H/IRQ7]

This field sets the address of the onboard parallel port connector. If you disable this field, the Parallel Port Mode and ECP DMA Select configurations are not available. Configuration options: [Disabled] [378H/IRQ7] [278H/IRQ5]

Parallel Port Mode [ECP+EPP]

This field allows you to set the operation mode of the parallel port. [Normal] allows normal-speed operation but in one direction only; [EPP] allows bidirectional parallel port operation; [ECP] allows the parallel port to operate in bidirectional DMA mode; [ECP+EPP] allows normal speed operation in a two-way mode. Configuration options: [Normal] [EPP] [ECP] [ECP+EPP]

ECP DMA Select [3]

This field allows you to configure the parallel port DMA channel for the selected ECP mode. This selection is available only if you select [ECP] or [ECP+EPP] in Parallel Port Mode above. Configuration options: [1] [3]
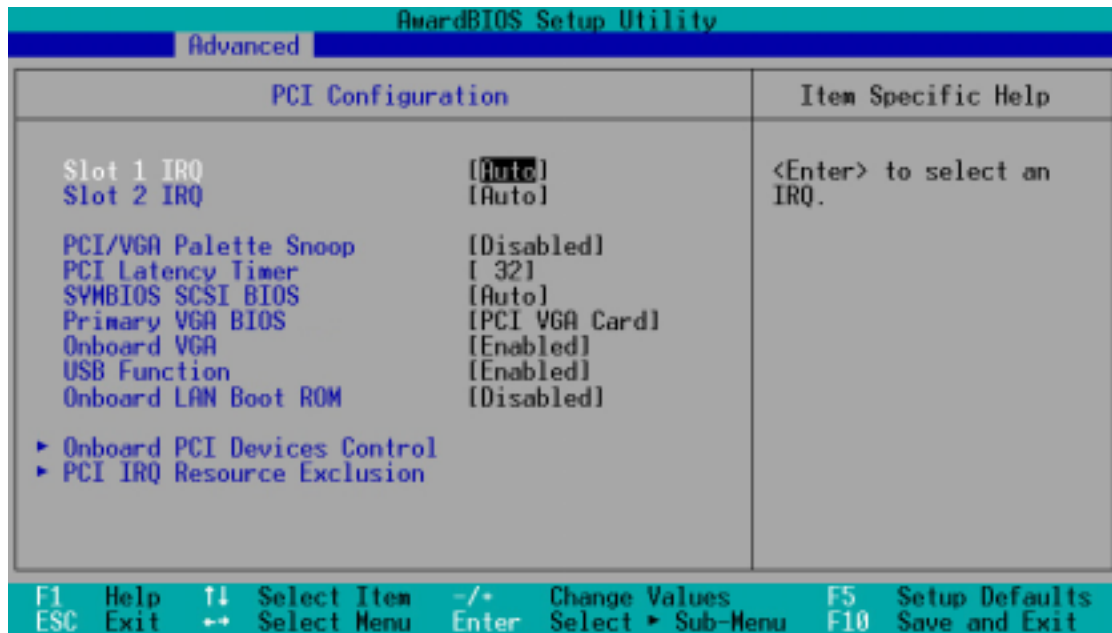
Onboard Game Port [200H-207H]

This field allows you to set the I/O address for the onboard game port. Configuration options: [Disabled] [200H-207H] [208H-20FH]

Onboard MIDI I/O [Disabled]

This field allows you to set the I/O address for the MIDI device. Configuration options: [Disabled] [330H-331H] [300H-301H]

4.4.3　PCI Configuration

Slot 1, Slot 2 IRQ [Auto]

These fields automatically assign the IRQ for each PCI slot. The default setting for each field is [Auto], which utilizes auto-routing to determine IRQ assignments. Configuration options: [Auto] [NA] [3] [4] [5] [7] [9] [10] [11] [12] [14] [15]

PCI/VGA Palette Snoop [Disabled]

Some non-standard VGA cards, like graphics accelerators or MPEG video cards, may not show colors properly. Setting this field to [Enabled] corrects this problem. If you are using standard VGA cards, leave this field to the default setting [Disabled]. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

PCI Latency Timer [32]

Leave this field to the default setting [32] for best performance and stability.

SYMBIOS SCSI BIOS [Auto]

[Auto] allows the BIOS to detect whether you have a SYMBIOS SCSI card. If such card is detected, the SCSI BIOS is enabled. Otherwise, the onboard SCSI BIOS is disabled.

The setting [Disabled] disables the onboard SYMBIOS SCSI BIOS so that the BIOS on an add-on SYMBIOS SCSI card can be used. If the SYMBIOS SCSI card does not have a BIOS, the SYMBIOS SCSI card will not work. Configuration options: [Auto] [Disabled]

Primary VGA BIOS [PCI VGA Card]

This field allows you to select the primary graphics card. Configuration options: [PCI VGA Card] [AGP VGA Card] [Onboard VGA]

Onboard VGA [Enabled]

This field allows you to enable or disable the onboard VGA feature. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

USB Function [Enabled]

This motherboard supports Universal Serial Bus (USB) devices. Keep the default setting [Enabled] if you connect USB devices. Select [Disabled] if you do not wish to use the USB feature. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Onboard LAN Boot ROM [Disabled]

This field allows you to enable or disable the option ROM on the onboard LAN chipset. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

4.4.3.1   Onboard PCI Devices Control

```
                        AwardBIOS Setup Utility
           Advanced

          Onboard PCI Devices Control              Item Specific Help

      Onboard LAN Controller        [Enabled]      <Enter> to enable or
      Onboard AC97 Audio Controller [Auto]         disable.













       F1   Help    ↑↓  Select Item   -/+   Change Values    F5   Setup Defaults
       ESC  Exit    ←→  Select Menu   Enter  Select ► Sub-Menu  F10  Save and Exit
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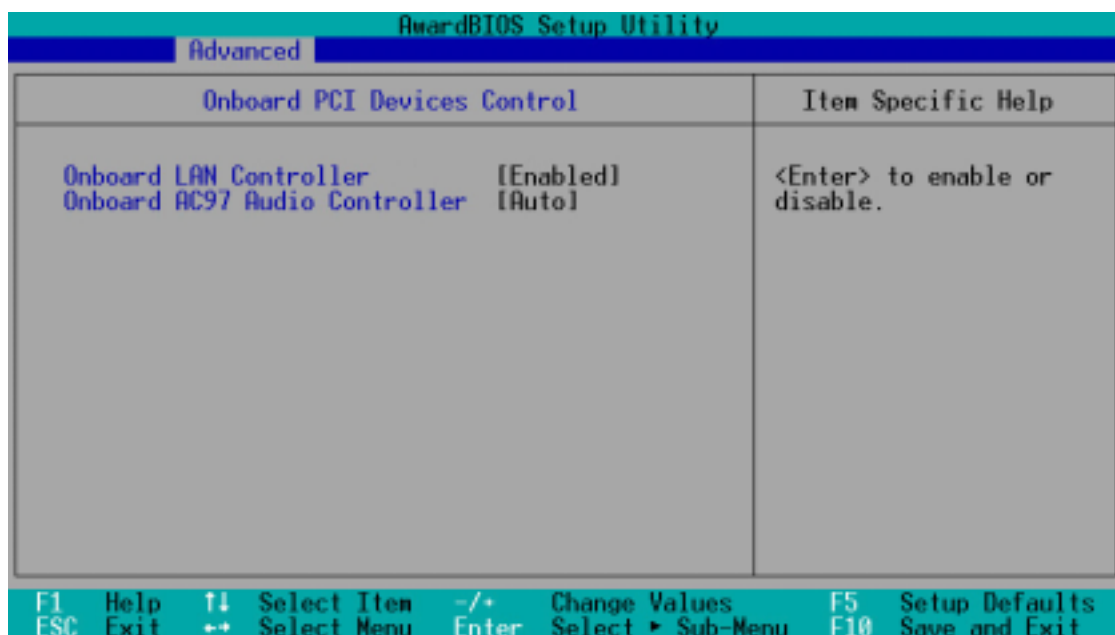
Onboard LAN Controller [Enabled]

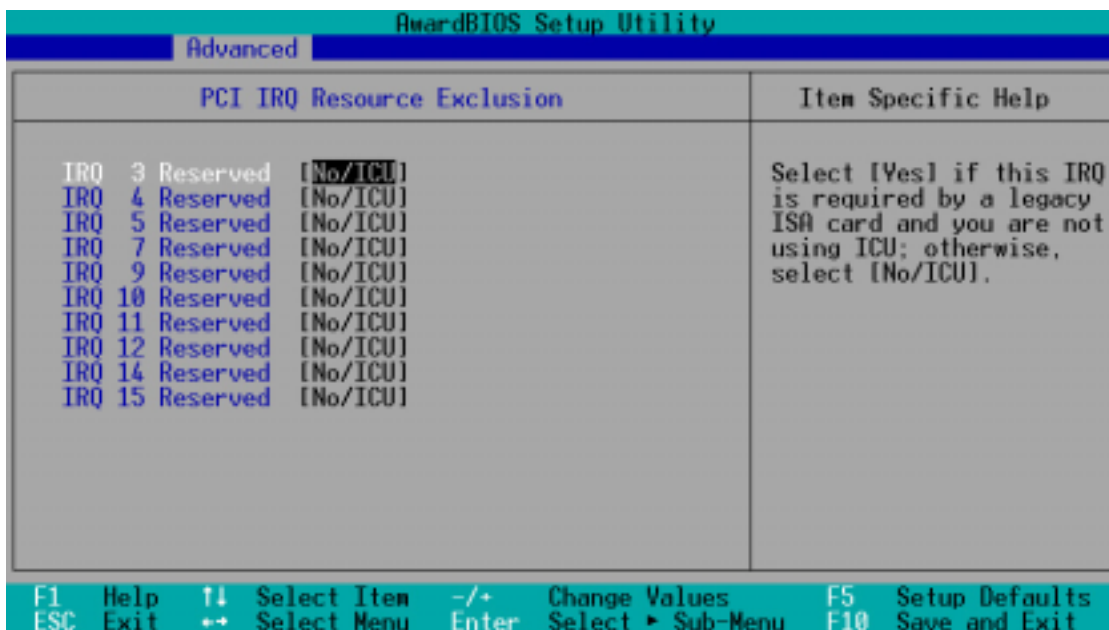This field allows you to enable or disable the onboard LAN controller. Keep the default enabled if you wish to use the onboard LAN feature. Set to [Disabled] if you installed a PCI LAN card. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

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Onboard AC97 Audio Controller [Auto]

[Auto] allows the BIOS to detect whether you are using any modem/audio device. If a modem/audio device is detected, the onboard modem/audio controller is enabled; if no modem/audio device is detected, the controller is disabled. If there are conflicts with the onboard modem/audio controller, set the appropriate field to [Disabled]. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Auto]

4.4.3.2   PCI IRQ Resource Exclusion

```
                        AwardBIOS Setup Utility
        Advanced

        PCI IRQ Resource Exclusion              Item Specific Help

    IRQ  3 Reserved   [No/ICU]           Select [Yes] if this IRQ
    IRQ  4 Reserved   [No/ICU]           is required by a legacy
    IRQ  5 Reserved   [No/ICU]           ISA card and you are not
    IRQ  7 Reserved   [No/ICU]           using ICU; otherwise,
    IRQ  9 Reserved   [No/ICU]           select [No/ICU].
    IRQ 10 Reserved   [No/ICU]
    IRQ 11 Reserved   [No/ICU]
    IRQ 12 Reserved   [No/ICU]
    IRQ 14 Reserved   [No/ICU]
    IRQ 15 Reserved   [No/ICU]

    F1   Help    ↑↓  Select Item   -/+    Change Values    F5   Setup Defaults
    ESC  Exit    ↔   Select Menu   Enter  Select ► Sub-Menu  F10  Save and Exit
```

IRQ XX Reserved [No/ICU]

These fields indicate whether or not the displayed IRQ for each field is being used by a legacy (non-PnP) ISA card. The setting [No/ICU] for an IRQ field indicates that you are using the ISA Configuration Utility (ICU), and that this particular IRQ is NOT required by a legacy ISA card. Set the IRQ field to [Yes] if you install a legacy ISA card that requires a unique IRQ and you are NOT using ICU. Configuration options: [No/ICU] [Yes]

4.5 Power Menu

The Power menu allows you to reduce power consumption. This feature turns off the video display and shuts down the hard disk after a period of inactivity.

```
                        AwardBIOS Setup Utility
    Main    Advanced    Power    Boot    Exit

                                             ┌──────────────────────┐
                                             │   Item Specific Help │
   Power Management     [User Defined]       │                      │
   Video Off Option     [Suspend -> Off]     │ <Enter> to select the│
   Video Off Method     [DPMS OFF]           │ power saving mode. You│
   HDD Power Down       [Disabled]           │ can select [User      │
   ACPI Suspend To RAM  [Disabled]           │ Defined] to go to the │
                                             │ suspend mode entry    │
   Suspend Mode         [Disabled]           │ below.                │
   PWR Button < 4 Secs  [Soft Off]           │                      │
                                             │                      │
   ▶ Power Up Control                        │                      │
   ▶ Hardware Monitor                         │                      │
                                             └──────────────────────┘

   F1   Help    ↑↓  Select Item    -/+    Change Values      F5   Setup Defaults
   ESC  Exit    ←→  Select Menu    Enter  Select ▶ Sub-Menu  F10  Save and Exit
```

Power Management [User Defined]

This field allows you to activate or deactivate the automatic power saving features. When set to [Disabled], the power management features do not function regardless of the other settings on this menu. The [User Defined] option allows you to set the period of inactivity before the system enters suspend mode. Refer to "Suspend Mode" later in this section.

When set to [Max Saving], system power is conserved to its greatest amount. This setting automatically puts the system into suspend mode after a brief period of system inactivity. [Min Saving] allows the least power saving as the system enters suspend mode only after a long period of inactivity. Configuration options: [User Defined] [Disabled] [Min Saving] [Max Saving]

IMPORTANT

You should install the Advanced Power Management (APM) utility to keep the system time updated even when the computer enters suspend mode. In Windows 3.x and Windows 95, you need to install Windows with the APM feature. In Windows 98 or later, APM is automatically installed as indicated by a battery and power cord icon labeled "Power Management" in the Control Panel. Select the item "Advanced" in the Power Management Properties dialog box.

Video Off Option [Suspend -> Off]

This field determines when to activate the video off feature for monitor power management. Configuration options: [Always On] [Suspend -> Off]

Video Off Method [DPMS OFF]

This field defines the video off features. The Display Power Management System (DPMS) feature allows the BIOS to control the video display card if it supports the DPMS feature. [Blank Screen] only blanks the screen. Use this for monitors without power management or "green" features.

NOTE
Even if installed, your screen saver does not display when you select [Blank Screen] for the above field.

[V/H SYNC+Blank] blanks the screen and turns off vertical and horizontal scanning. Configuration options: [Blank Screen] [V/H SYNC+Blank] [DPMS Standby] [DPMS Suspend] [DPMS OFF] [DPMS Reduce ON]

HDD Power Down [Disabled]

Shuts down any IDE hard disk drives in the system after a period of inactivity as set in this user-configurable field. This feature does not affect SCSI hard drives. Configuration options: [Disabled] [1 Min] [2 Min] [3 Min]...[15 Min]

ACPI Suspend To RAM [Disabled]

This field allows you to enable or disable the ACPI Suspend-to-RAM feature. To support this feature, the +5VSB of the power supply should have the capacity to provide more than 720mA current. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]
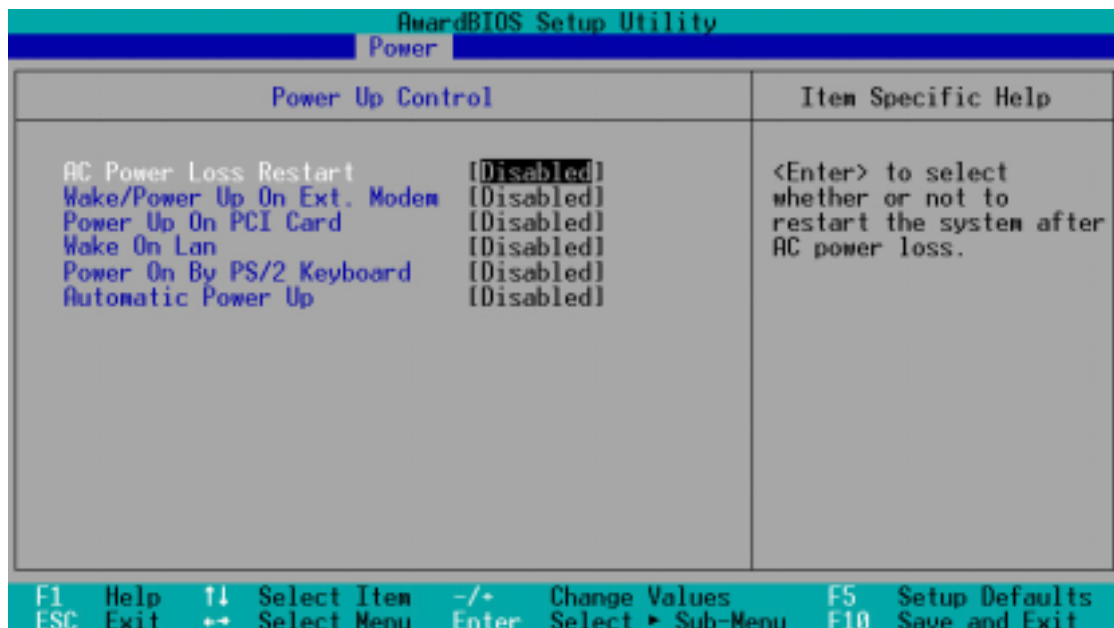
Suspend Mode [Disabled]

Sets the time period before the system goes into suspend mode. Configuration options: [Disabled] [1~2 Min] [2~3 Min] [4~5 min] [8~9 Min] [20 Min] [30 Min]

PWR Button < 4 Secs [Soft Off]

When set to [Soft off], the ATX switch can be used as a normal system power-off button when pressed for less than 4 seconds. [Suspend] allows the button to have a dual function where pressing less than 4 seconds puts the system in sleep mode. Regardless of the setting, holding the ATX switch for more than 4 seconds powers off the system. Configuration options: [Soft off] [Suspend]

4.5.1 Power Up Control

```
                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
                         Power
┌─────────────────────────────────────────────┬──────────────────────┐
│           Power Up Control                    │  Item Specific Help  │
│                                               │                      │
│  AC Power Loss Restart      [Disabled]        │ <Enter> to select    │
│  Wake/Power Up On Ext. Modem [Disabled]       │ whether or not to    │
│  Power Up On PCI Card       [Disabled]        │ restart the system   │
│  Wake On Lan                [Disabled]        │ after AC power loss. │
│  Power On By PS/2 Keyboard  [Disabled]        │                      │
│  Automatic Power Up         [Disabled]        │                      │
│                                               │                      │
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├───────────────────────────────────────────────┴────────────────────┤
│ F1   Help   ↑↓  Select Item  -/+    Change Values  F5  Setup Defaults│
│ ESC  Exit   ←→  Select Menu   Enter  Select ► Sub-Menu F10 Save and Exit│
└──────────────────────────────────────────────────────────────────────┘
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AC PWR Loss Restart [Disabled]

This allows you to set whether or not to reboot the system after power interruptions. [Disabled] leaves your system off while [Enabled] reboots the system. [Previous State] sets the system back to the state it was before the power interruption. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled] [Previous State]

Wake/Power Up On Ext. Modem [Disabled]

This allows either settings of [Enabled] or [Disabled] for powering up the computer when the external modem receives a call while the computer is in Soft-off mode. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

NOTE
The computer cannot receive or transmit data until the computer and applications are fully running. Thus, connection cannot be made on the first try. Turning an external modem off and then back on while the computer is off causes an initialization string that turns the system power on.

Power Up On PCI Card [Disabled]

When set to [Enabled], this parameter allows you to turn on the system through a PCI modem. This feature requires an ATX power supply that provides at least 1A on the +5VSB lead. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Wake On LAN [Disabled]

When set to [Enabled], this item allows you to turn on the system through the onboard LAN. This feature requires an ATX power supply that can provide at least 1A on the +5VSB lead. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Power On By PS/2 Keyboard [Space Bar]

This parameter allows you to use specific keys on the keyboard to turn on the system. This feature requires an ATX power supply that provides at least 1A on the +5VSB lead. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Space Bar] [Ctrl-Esc] [Power Key]

Automatic Power Up [Disabled]

This allows an unattended or automatic system power up. You may configure your system to power up at a certain time of the day by selecting [Everyday] or at a certain time and day by selecting [By Date]. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Everyday] [By Date]

> **NOTE**
> The Automatic Power Up feature does not work if the system is powered down by an operating system, such Windows 98, that has Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) support enabled. Refer to the Glossary for a description of ACPI specification.

4.5.2 Hardware Monitor

```
                        AwardBIOS Setup Utility
                          Power

            Hardware Monitor                    Item Specific Help

    MB Temperature        30°C/86°F           <Enter> to switch
    CPU Temperature       41°C/105.5°F        between monitoring or
                                              ignoring.
    CPU Fan Speed         7500RPM
    Chassis Fan Speed     5335RPM

    VCORE Voltage          1.5V
    +3.3V Voltage          3.4V
    +5V   Voltage          4.8V
    +12V  Voltage         12.1V




    F1   Help   ↑↓ Select Item   -/+   Change Values      F5   Setup Defaults
    ESC  Exit   ←→ Select Menu  Enter  Select ► Sub-Menu  F10  Save and Exit
```

MB Temperature [xxxC/xxxF]
CPU Temperature [xxxC/xxxF]

The onboard hardware monitor automatically detects the MB (motherboard) and CPU temperatures.

CPU Fan Speed [xxxxRPM]
Chassis Fan Speed [xxxxRPM]

The onboard hardware monitor automatically detects the CPU and chassis fan speeds in rotations per minute (RPM).

VCORE Voltage, +3.3V Voltage, +5V Voltage, +12V Voltage

The onboard hardware monitor automatically detects the voltage output through the onboard voltage regulators.
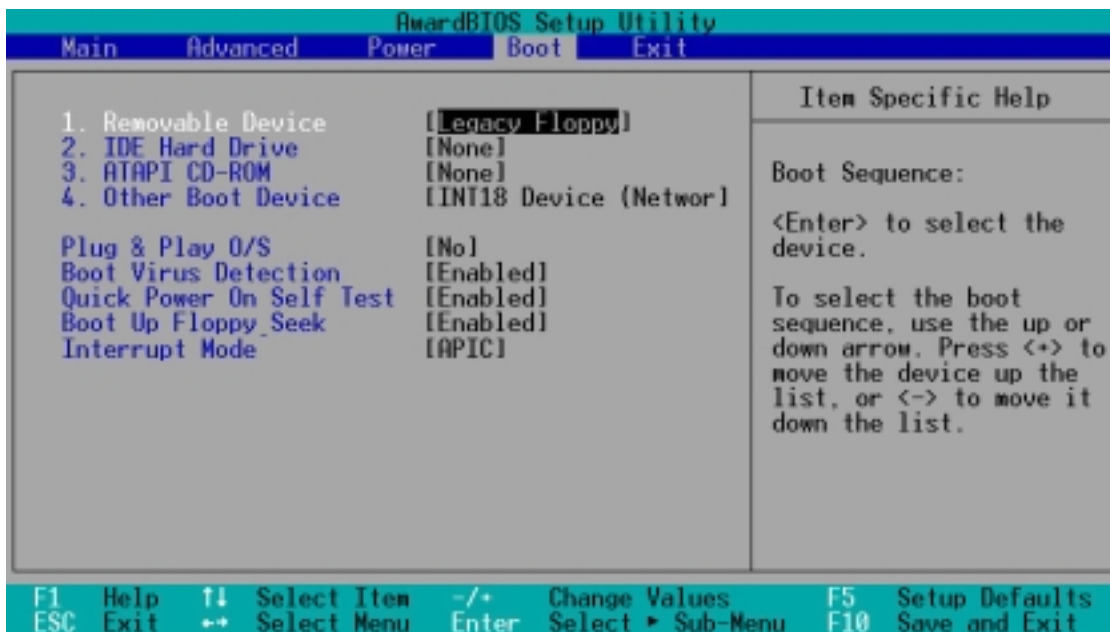

NOTE

If any of the monitored items is out of range, the following error message appears: "Hardware Monitor found an error. Enter Power setup menu for details". You will then be prompted to "Press F1 to continue or DEL to enter SETUP".

4.6   Boot Menu

Boot Sequence

The Boot menu allows you to select among the four possible types of boot devices listed using the up and down arrow keys. By using the <+> or <Space> key, you can promote devices and by using the <-> key, you can demote devices. Promotion or demotion of devices alters the priority which the system uses to search for a boot device on system power up. Configuration fields include Removable Devices, IDE Hard Drive, ATAPI CD-ROM, and Other Boot Device.

Removable Device [Legacy Floppy]

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Legacy Floppy] [LS-120] [ZIP] [ATAPI MO]

IDE Hard Drive

This field allows you to select which IDE hard disk drive to use in the boot sequence. Pressing [Enter] will show the product IDs of all connected IDE hard disk drives.

ATAPI CD-ROM

This field allows you to select which ATAPI CD-ROM drive to use in the boot sequence. Pressing [Enter] will show the product IDs of all your connected ATAPI CD-ROM drives.

Other Boot Device Select [INT18 Device (Network)]

Configuration options: [Disabled] [SCSI Boot Device] [INT18 Device (Network)]

Plug & Play O/S [No]

This field allows you to use a Plug-and-Play (PnP) operating system to configure the PCI bus slots instead of using the BIOS. When [Yes] is selected, interrupts may be reassigned by the OS. If you installed a non-PnP OS or if you want to prevent reassigning of interrupt settings, keep the default setting [No]. Configuration options: [No] [Yes]

Boot Virus Detection [Enabled]

This field allows you to set boot virus detection, ensuring a virus-free boot sector. The system halts and displays a warning message when it detects a virus. If this occurs, you can either allow the operation to continue or use a virus-free bootable floppy disk to restart and investigate your system. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Quick Power On Self Test [Enabled]

This field speeds up the Power-On-Self Test (POST) routine by skipping retesting a second, third, and fourth time. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]
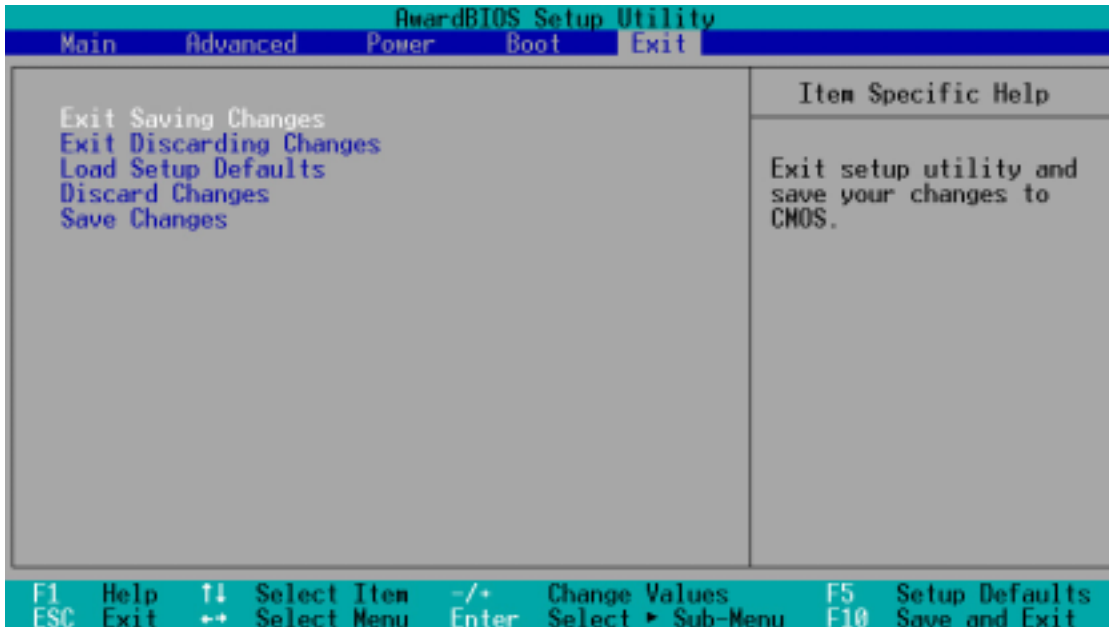
Boot Up Floppy Seek [Enabled]

When enabled, the BIOS will seek the floppy disk drive to determine whether the drive has 40 or 80 tracks. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Interrupt Mode [APIC]

The Advanced Programmable Interrupt Controller (APIC) setting allows you to distribute interrupt routings other than the 16 IRQs. The Programmable Interrupt Controller (PIC) setting allows you to use the 16 IRQs only. Configuration options: [PIC] [APIC]

4.7   Exit Menu

When you have made all of your selections from the various menus in the Setup program, save your changes and exit Setup. Select Exit from the menu bar to display the following menu.

```
                        AwardBIOS Setup Utility
   Main      Advanced     Power      Boot     Exit
 ┌──────────────────────────────────────┬─────────────────────────────┐
 │                                        │    Item Specific Help       │
 │  Exit Saving Changes                   ├─────────────────────────────┤
 │  Exit Discarding Changes               │                             │
 │  Load Setup Defaults                   │  Exit setup utility and     │
 │  Discard Changes                       │  save your changes to       │
 │  Save Changes                          │  CMOS.                       │
 │                                        │                             │
 │                                        │                             │
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 └────────────────────────────────────────┴─────────────────────────────┘
  F1   Help    ↑↓  Select Item    -/+    Change Values       F5   Setup Defaults
  ESC  Exit    ↔   Select Menu    Enter  Select ► Sub-Menu   F10  Save and Exit
```

> **NOTE**
> Pressing <Esc> does not immediately exit this menu. Select one of the options from this menu or <F10> from the legend bar to exit.

Exit Saving Changes

Once you are finished making your selections, choose this option from the Exit menu to ensure the values you selected are saved to the CMOS RAM. The CMOS RAM is sustained by an onboard backup battery and stays on even when the PC is turned off. When you select this option, a confirmation window appears. Select [Yes] to save changes and exit.

> **NOTE**
> If you attempt to exit the Setup program without saving your changes, the program prompts you with a message asking if you want to save your changes before exiting. Pressing <Enter> saves the changes while exiting.

Exit Discarding Changes

Select this option only if you do not want to save the changes that you made to the Setup program. If you made changes to fields other than system date, system time, and password, the BIOS asks for a confirmation before exiting.

Load Setup Defaults

This option allows you to load the default values for each of the parameters on the Setup menus. When you select this option or if you press <F5>, a confirmation window appears. Select [Yes] to load default values. Select Exit Saving Changes or make other changes before saving the values to the non-volatile RAM.

Discard Changes

This option allows you to discard the selections you made and restore the previously saved values. After selecting this option, a confirmation appears. Select [Yes] to discard any changes and load the previously saved values.

Save Changes

This option saves your selections without exiting the Setup program. You can then return to other menus and make further changes. After you select this option, a confirmation window appears. Select [Yes] to save any changes to the non-volatile RAM.

Chapter 5

This chapter helps you power up your system and install drivers and utilities that came with the support CD.

Starting up

5.1   Install an operating system

This motherboard supports Windows 98/ME/NT/2000/XP and OS/2 operating system (OS). Always install the latest OS version and corresponding updates so you can maximize the features of your hardware.

> Because motherboard settings and hardware options vary, use the setup procedures presented in this chapter for general reference only. Refer to your OS documentation for more information.

5.2   Support CD information

The support CD that came with the motherboard contains useful software and several utility drivers that enhance the motherboard features.

> The contents of the support CD are subject to change at any time without notice. Visit the ASUS website for updates.

5.2.1   Running the support CD

To begin using the support CD, simply insert the CD into your CD-ROM drive. If Autorun is enabled in your computer, the software and drivers menu automatically appears on your screen.

If the installation menu did not appear automatically, locate and double-click on the file ASSETUP.EXE from the BIN folder in the support CD to display the menu.

5.2.2 Installation menus

The support CD menu is composed of two screens. Click on the **Right Arrow** on the lower right corner of the first screen to display the second menu screen. To return to the first menu screen, click on the **Left Arrow** on the lower right corner of the second screen.

5.2.3   Software and drivers description

The menu lists the drivers and applications that are available for this motherboard. Simply click on a specific item then follow the installation wizard to install it.

SiS 650 Display Driver

Click this item to load the installation wizard and install the SiS 650 display driver V2.05a.

SiS AGP Driver

Click this item to load the installation wizard and install the SiS AGP driver V1.09.

SiS 7012 PCI Audio Driver

This item installs the SiS 7012 PCI audio driver V1.03.

LAN Driver

This item installs the SiS PCI LAN driver V1.14.

PCTel HSP56 MicroModem Driver

This item installs the PCTel HSP56 MicroModem driver.

ASUS PC Probe V2.15.08

This smart utility monitors the fan speed, CPU temperature, and system voltages, and alerts you on any detected problems. This utility helps you keep your computer at a healthy operating condition.

ASUS Update V3.29.03

This item installs the ASUS Update. This program allows you to download the latest version of the BIOS from the ASUS website.

Microsoft Direct X 8.1 Driver

This item installs the Microsoft V8.1 driver.

PC-cillin 2000 V7.61

This item installs the PC-cillin 2000 V7.61 anti-virus software. View the PC-cillin online help for detailed information.

> The above PC-cillin version supports Windows XP operating system and maintains backward compatibility with Windows 95.

ADOBE Acrobat Reader V5.0

This item installs the Adobe Acrobat Reader V5.0. The Acrobat Reader software is for viewing files saved in Portable Document Format (PDF).

Install Cyberlink Video and Audio Applications

This item installs the Cyberlink PowerPlayer SE 5.0 and Cyberlink VideoLive Mail 4.0.

ASUS Screen Saver

This item installs the ASUS screen saver.

Show Motherboard Information

Click this item to display the general specifications for the P4SC motherboard.

Browse Support CD

Click this item to display the ASUS Terminator series support CD contents.

Readme

This item displays the contents of the support CD and a brief description of each in text format.

Exit

Click this item to exit the support CD.

5.3 Software information

Most of the applications in the support CD have wizards that will conveniently guide you through the installation. View the online help or readme file that came with the software for more information.

5.3.1 ASUS Update

The ASUS Update is a utility that allows you to update the motherboard BIOS and drivers. This utility requires an Internet connection either through a network or an Internet Service Provider (ISP).

Follow these steps to use the ASUS Update.

1. Launch the utility from your Windows Start menu: **Programs/AsusUpdate Vx.xx.xx/ AsusUpdate**

   The ASUS Update initial screen appears.

2. Select your desired update method, then click Next.

3. If you selected updating/ downloading from the Internet, select the ASUS FTP site nearest you to avoid network traffic, or choose Auto Select. Click Next.

4. From the FTP site, select the BIOS version that you wish to download. Click Next.

5. Follow the instructions on the succeeding screens to complete the update process.

If you selected the option to update the BIOS from a file, a window pops up prompting you to locate the file. Select the file, click Save, then follow the screen instructions to complete the update process.
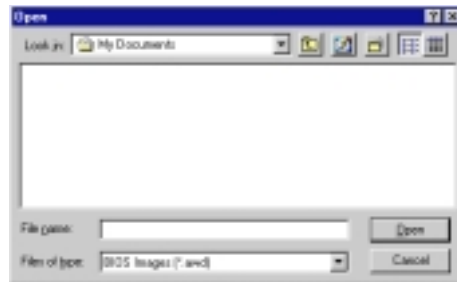
5.3.2   ASUS PC Probe

ASUS PC Probe is a convenient utility to continuously monitor your computer system's vital components, such as fan rotations, voltages, and temperatures. It also has a utility that lets you review useful information about your computer, such as hard disk space, memory usage, and CPU type, CPU speed, and internal/external frequencies through the DMI Explorer.

Starting ASUS PC Probe

When ASUS PC Probe starts, a splash screen appears allowing you to select whether to show the screen again when you open PC Probe or not. To bypass this startup screen, clear the **Show up in next execution** check box.
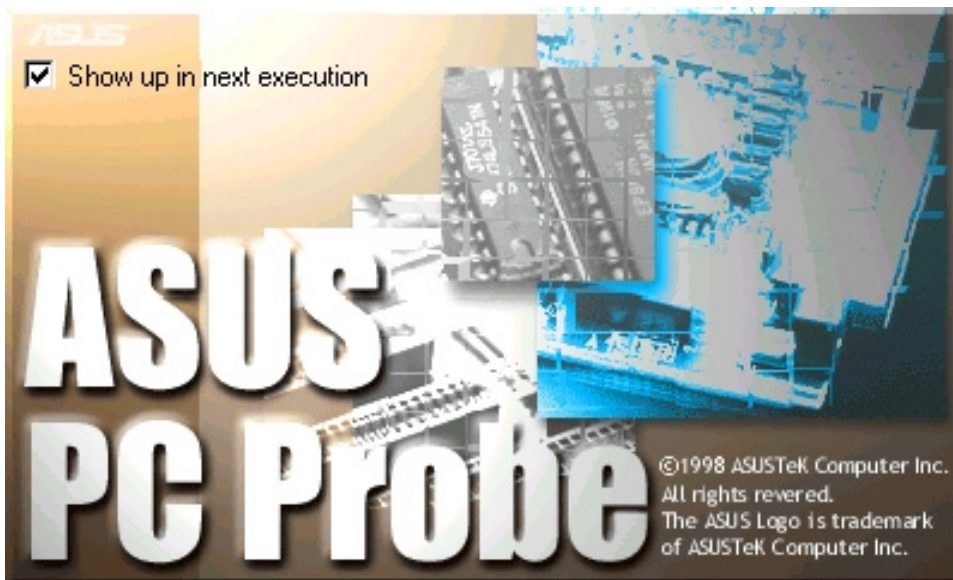
To launch **ASUS PC Probe**, click the Windows **Start** button, point to **Programs**, and then **ASUS Utility**, and then click **Probe Vx.xx**.

The PC Probe icon appears on the taskbar system tray indicating that ASUS PC Probe is running. Clicking the icon allows you to see the status of your PC.

Using ASUS PC Probe

Monitoring
Monitor Summary
Shows a summary of the items
being monitored.

Temperature Monitor
Shows the PC temperature (for
supported processors only).

Temperature Warning
threshold adjustment
(Move the slider up to increase the
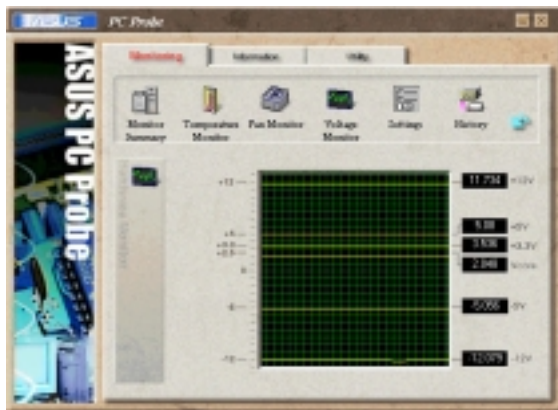threshold level or down to decrease
the threshold level)

Fan Monitor
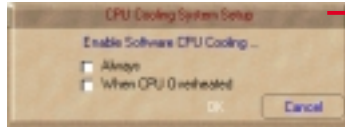Shows the PC fan rotation.

Fan Warning
threshold adjustment
(Move the slider up to increase the
threshold level or down to decrease
the threshold level)

Voltage Monitor
Shows the PC voltages.

Settings

Lets you set threshold levels and polling intervals or refresh times of the PC's temperature, fan rotation, and voltages.
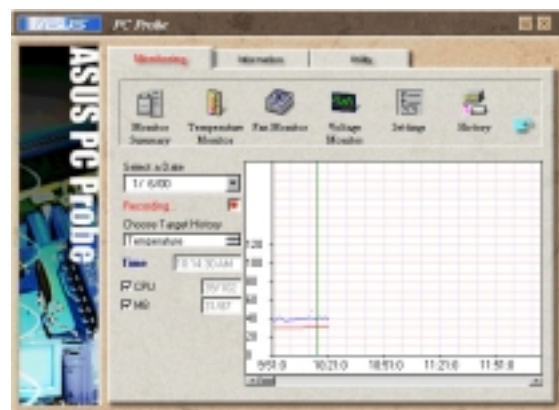

CPU Cooling System Setup
Lets you select when to enable software CPU cooling. When **When CPU Overheated** is selected, the CPU cooling system is enabled whenever the CPU temperature reaches the threshold value.
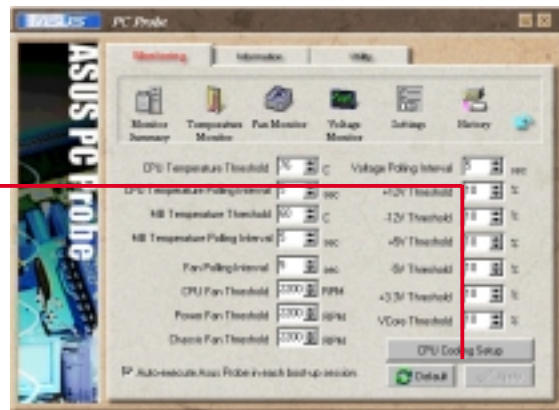
History

Lets you record the monitoring activity of a certain component of your PC for future reference.

Fan Control

Lets you enable/disable Smart Fan Control. Smart Fan Control adjusts the fan speed automatically based on the current CPU temperature and predefined threshold.

Hard Drives

Shows the used and free space of the PC's hard disk drives and the file allocation table or file system used.

Memory
Shows the PC memory load, memory usage, and paging file usage.

Device Summary
Shows a summary of devices present in your PC.

DMI Explorer
Shows information pertinent to the PC, such as CPU type, CPU speed, and internal/external frequencies, and memory size.

Utility

Lets you run programs outside of the ASUS Probe modules. To run a program, click **Execute Program**. **NOTE:** This feature is currently unavailable.

ASUS PC Probe Task Bar Icon

Right clicking the PC Probe icon brings up a menu to open or exit ASUS PC Probe and pause or resume all system monitoring.

Popup Asus Probe
Pause All Monitoring
Resume All Monitoring
Exit Asus Probe

10:35 PM

When the ASUS PC Probe senses a problem with your PC, portions of the ASUS PC Probe icon changes to red, the PC speaker beeps, and the ASUS PC Probe monitor appears.

10:20 PM