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System Installation Setup

Before using your computer, you must finish the following steps:

1. Set jumpers on mainboard
2. Install SDRAM module.
3. Install the Processor.
4. Connect Ribbon Cables, Cabinet Wires, and Power supply.
5. Install Add on Cards.
6. Setup the BIOS software.
- 7. Make sure your ATX Power Supply the 5VSB output has 1 Ampere or more.**
- 8. First turn off the ATX Power Supply when you setup the SDRAM Module.**





Static Electricity Precaution

- ⌚ Keep the mainboard and other system components in their anti-static packaging until you are ready to install them.
- ⌚ Do all preparative work on a static-free surface with the main board components facing up.
- ⌚ Unplug your computer when working on the inside.
- ⌚ Wear an Anti-static wrist strap.
- ⌚ Hold the system components, boards or cards by its edges only. Be careful not to touch any of IC chips, circuitry, contacts or connections, especially gold contacts on the mainboard.

Jumper Settings

Jumpers

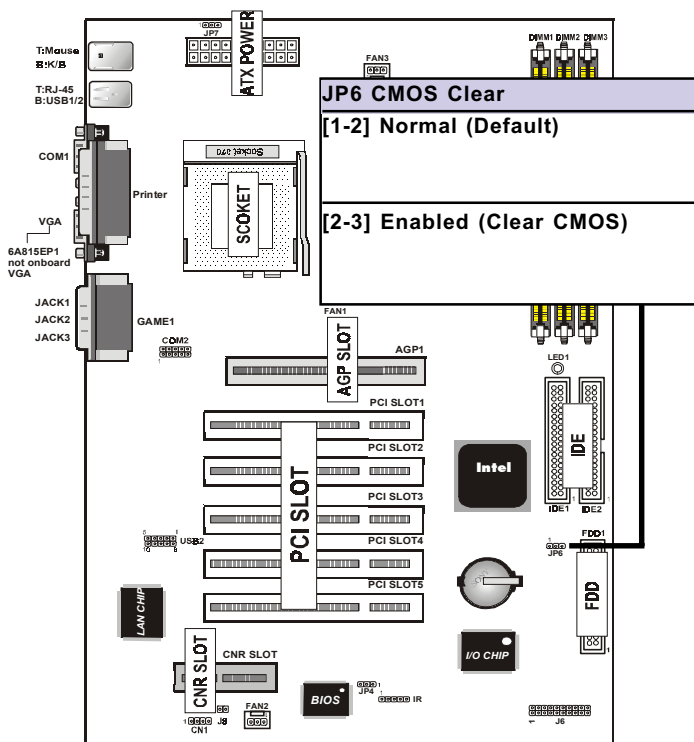
Several hardware settings are made through the use of jumper caps to connect jumper pins (Jxx) on the mainboard. See "Map of the mainboard" for locations of jumpers.

The jumper settings will be described numerically such as [---], [1-2], [2-3] for no connection, connect pins 1 & 2, and connect pins 2 & 3 respectively. Pin 1 for our mainboard is always on top one or on the left when holding the mainboard with the keyboard away from yourself. "P1" is written besides pin 1 on jumper with three pins. The jumpers will also be shown graphically such as  to connect pin 1&2 and  to connect 2&3. Jumpers with two pins will be shown as  for Short (on) and  for Open (off). For manufacturing simplicity it may be sharing pins from other groups. Use the diagrams in this manual instead of following the pin layout on the board. Settings with two jumper numbers require that both jumpers be moved together. To connect the pin, simply place a plastic jumper cap over the two pins as diagrammed.

Real Time Clock (RTC) RAM - JP6 :

The CMOS RAM is powered by the onboard button cell battery. To clear the RTC data:

(1) Turn off your computer, (2) Move this jumper to "2-3Pin Clear Data", (3) Move the jumper back to "Default", (4) Turn on your computer, (5) Hold down <Delete> during bootup and enter BIOS setup to re-enter user Preferences.



System Memory (DIMM Module)

This **6A815E1/6A815EP1** main board supports three 168 pin DIMM of 16 MB, 32 MB, 64 MB, 128 MB ,256MB to form a memory size between 16MB to 256MB.

The DRAM can be either 45ns,50ns,or60ns SDRAMs.

Install memory in any or all Banks in Combination:

Note:

- Supports up to 3 double sided DIMMs at 100MHz system memory bus.
- Supports up to 2 double sided or 3 sided DIMMs at 133MHz system memory bus.

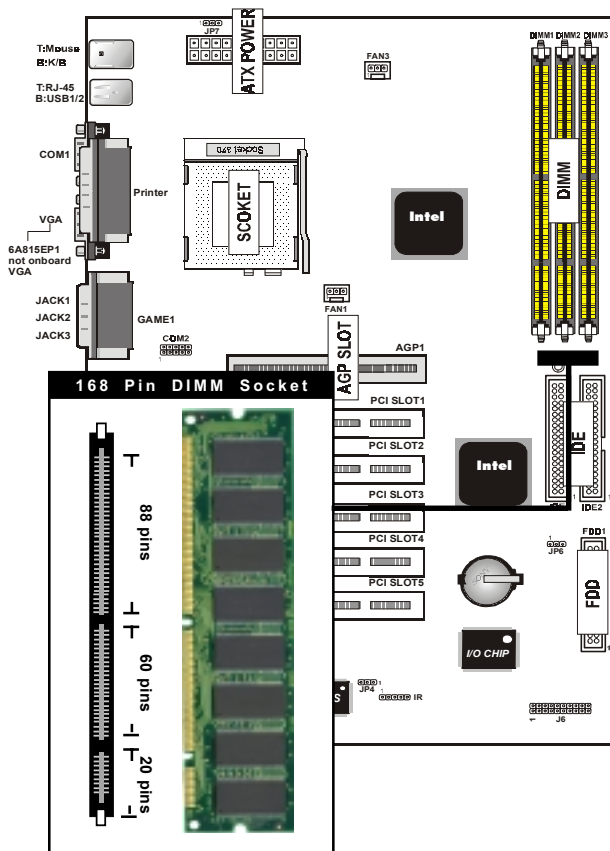
Bank	Memory module
DIMM 1	16MB,32MB,64MB,128MB,256MB
(Bank 0-1)	168 pin,3.3v SDRAM
DIMM 2	16MB,32MB,64MB,128MB,256MB
(Bank 2-3)	168 pin 3.3v,SDRAM
DIMM 3	16MB,32MB,64MB,128MB,256MB
(Bank 4-5)	168 pin 3.3v,SDRAM
Total System Memory(Max 512MB)	

Note :

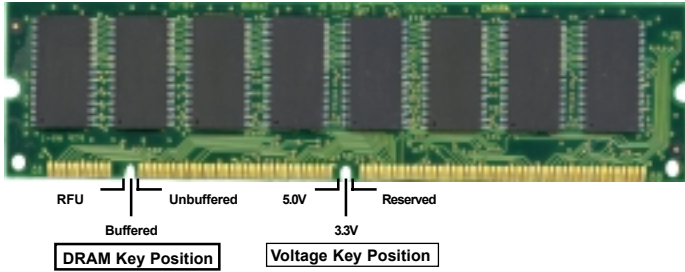
- ♦ The DIMM Slot does not support any 5V EDO DIMM module.
- ♦ The DIMM Slot does not support any 5V SDRAM DIMM module.
- ♦ Memory speed setup is required through "Auto Configuration" in BIOS chipset Setup of BIOS SOFTWARE. If several speed memories are used, You must set Auto Configuration to low. Example If both 50ns, 60ns are used, Please set Auto configuration to 60ns.
- ♦ It's allowed any DIMM module put in any DIMM slot. It's allowed there are different capacity DIMM module in all DIMM slot.
- ♦ Please shut down the ATX Power when you setup the DIMM Module.

DIMM Memory Installation

Insert the module (s) as shown. Because the number pins are different on either side of the breaks, the module will only fit in the orientation as shown. SDRAM DIMM modules have different pin contacts on each side and therefore have a higher pin density.



The Dual Inline Memory Module (DIMM) memory module must be 3.3v . You can identify the type of DIMM module by the illustration below:



168 Pin DRAM DIMM Notch Key Definitions

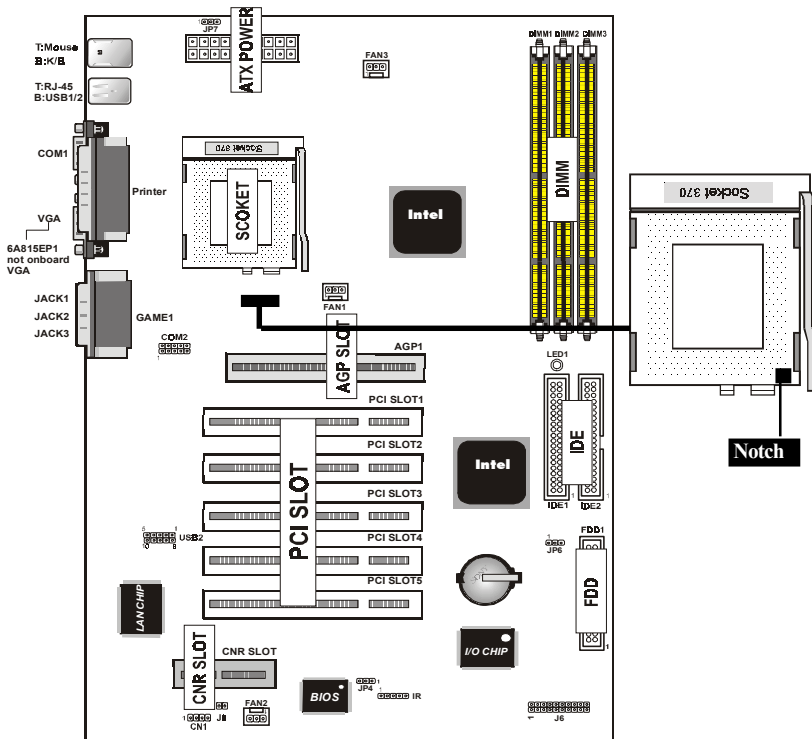
The notch on the DIMM module will shift between left, center, or right to identify the type and also to prevent the wrong type to be inserted into the DIMM slot on the Mainboard. You must ask your retailer for Specifications before purchasing.

Four clock signals are supported on this mainboard

CPU Installation

The motherboard provides a ZIF socket 370. The CPU that came with the motherboard should have a fan attached to it to prevent overheating . If this is not the case then purchase a fan before you turn on your system.

To install a CPU , first turn off your system and remove its cover. Locate the ZIF socket and open it by first pulling the lever sideways away from the socket then upwards to a 90-degree right angle. Insert the CPU with the correct orientation shown . The notched corner should point towards the end of the lever. Because the CPU has a corner pin for two of the four corners, the CPU will only fit in the orientation as shown.



Clearance Requirements

To maintain proper airflow once the processor is installed on the mainboard, the processor and fan heatsink require certain space clearances. The clearance above the processor must be at least 0.3 inches. The clearance on at least 3 of 4 sides of the processor and fan heatsink must be at least 0.2 inches. All cables (for Floppy drive, Hard drive, CD-ROM, and so on) must be routed clear of the processor and its airspace.

Fan Exhaust

The processor must be kept cool by using a processor with heatsink and fan attached. The temperature of the air filled with the fan/heatsink cannot exceed 45 °C (113 °F). The ambient or room temperature must be below 37 °C (99 °F).

Selecting the CPU Frequency

CPU voltage auto-detection and allow user to set CPU frequency through BIOS setup, no jumper or switch is needed. The correct CPU information is saved into EPROM, with these technologies, the disadvantages of Pentium base jumper-less design are eliminated. There will be no worry of wrong CPU voltage detection and no need to re-open the housing if CMOS battery loss. The CPU frequency selection is set by going into:

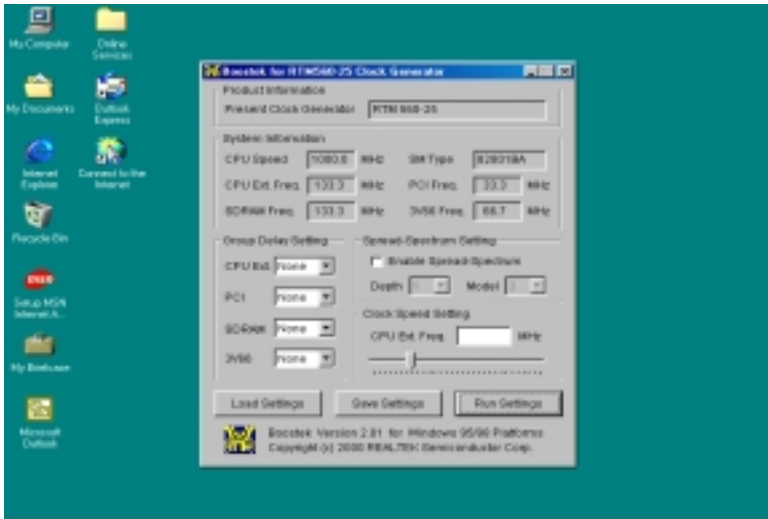
Choose “**CPU SPEED SETTING**” from the BIOS and a screen with frequency/voltage control items appears.

CPU Clock Ratio

This item lets you select the ratio of Core/Bus frequency. Have the following selection: 3x, 3.5x, 4x, 4.5x, 5x, 5.5x, 6x, 6.5x, 7.0x, 7.5x, 8.0x, 8.5x, 9.0x, 9.5x, 10x, 10.5x, 11x, 11.5x, 12x, .

CPU Host/PCI Clock/PC133

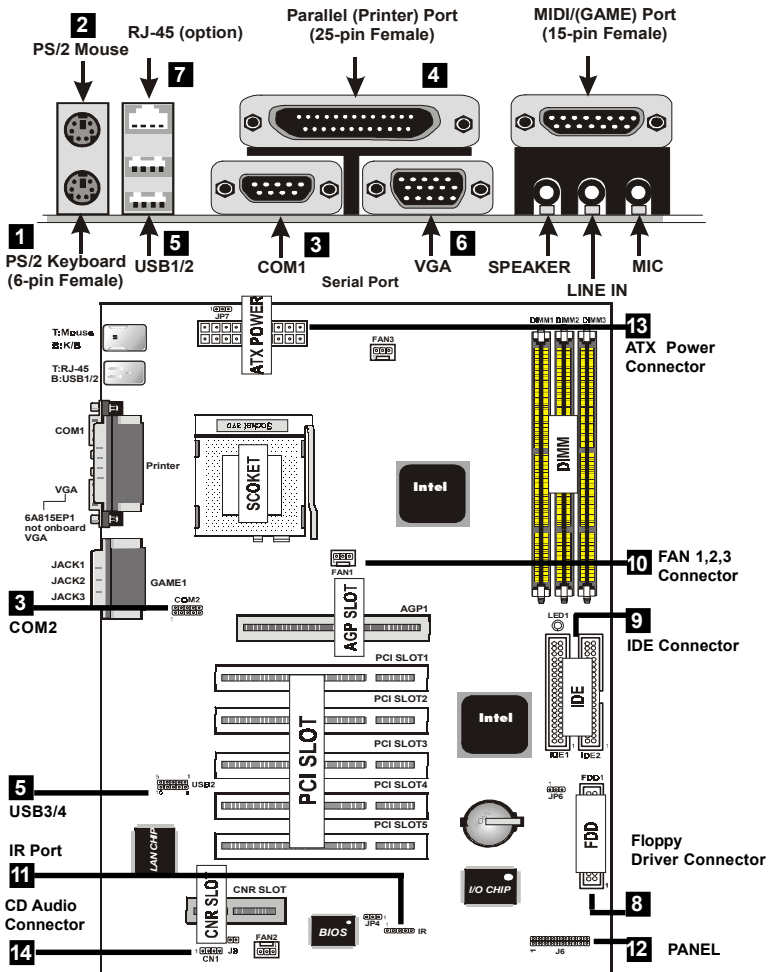
This item lets you set external clock (bus clock). The possible settings are 66, 100 and 133 MHZ....



1. Boostek is an overclocking utility that can overclock step lessly.
2. If you want to overclock , you should , make sure the following:
 - a. Setup CPU/SDRAM frequency in BIOS.
(EX: CPU/SDRAM=66/100, 100/100, 133/100 or 133/133)
 - b. Adjust the FSB of CPU to the frequency you want, then press “Run Setting” to start overclocking.
(SDRAM, 3V66, PCI will be adjusted in the same rate at same time)
3. Boostek-9x for win95/98
4. Boostek-2000-NT for Win2000/ Winnt 4.0

EXTERNAL CONNECTORS

Both Ribbon cable and Connectors on board are with direction signs to avoid that user insert wrong directions. On the other hand, the ribbon cables should always be connected with the red stripe on the pin 1 of side of the connector.



1. **PS/2 Keyboard port**

This connection is for a standard keyboard using an PS/2 plug (mini DIN) . This connector will not allow standard AT size (large DIN) keyboard plugs. You may use a DIN to mini DIN adapter on standard AT keyboards.

2. **PS/2 Mouse port**

This system will direct IRQ12 to PS/2 mouse.

3. **Serial Port COM 1 and COM 2 port**

The one serial ports can be used for pointing devices or other serial devices. See "Onboard Serial Port" in chipset Feature Setup of the BIOS SOFTWARE.Serial port COM 2 Header(1-10pin).

NOTE:

Serial {D-type 9pin (F) } must be connected to the serial port.

4. **Parallel Printer port**

You can enable the parallel port and choose the IRQ through " Onboard Parallel Port" in Chipset. Feature Setup of the BIOS SOFTWARE.

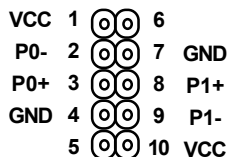
5. - **Universal Serial BUS Ports 1,2**

Two USB ports are available for connecting USB devices.

- **Universal Serial BUS Ports 3,4**

Two USB ports are available on the back panel. Therefore, we provide a 10 pin ribbon cable with bracket to connect Built-in on-board USB header.

USB 3,4



6. VGA Connectors (15-pin)
(Only support 6a815e1 motherboard)

This connectors support monitor.

7. RJ-45 Connector (option)

Onboard 10/100MB PCI Fast Ethernet Network.

The RJ-45 connectors at the time of purchase and is located on top of the USB connectors. The connector allows the motherboard to connect to a Local Area Network (LAN) through a network hub .

8. Floppy drive connector

This connector supports the provided floppy drive ribbon cable. After connecting the single end to the board, connect the two plus on the other end to the floppy drives.

9. Primary / Secondary IDE connectors (Two 40-pin Blocks)

These connectors support the provided IDE hard disk ribbon cable. After connecting the single end to the board, connect the two plugs at the other end to your hard disk no space(s) . If you install two hard disks, you must configure the second drive to Slave mode by setting its jumper settings. BIOS now supports SCSI device or IDE CD-ROM boot up (see "HDD Sequence SCSI/IDE First" & "Boot Sequence" in the BIOS Features Setup of the BIOS SOFTWARE) (Pin 20 is removed to prevent inserting in the wrong orientation when using ribbon cables with pin 20 plugged) .

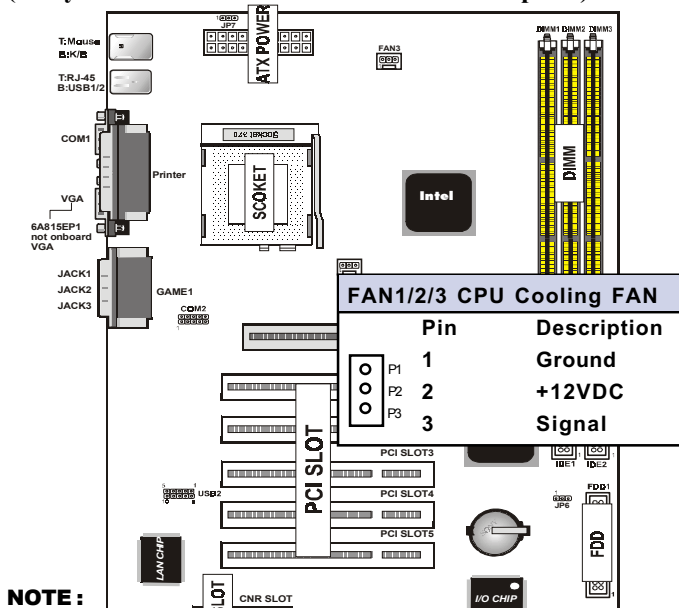
Tip :

You may configure two hard disks to be both Master using one ribbon cable on the primary IDE connector. You may install one operating system on an IDE drive and another on a SCSI drive and select one of the two through BIOS Feature Setup.

10. FAN1 , FAN2 , FAN3 CPU Cooling Fan (FAN/PWR)

These connectors support cooling fans of 500mAmp (6Watt) or less. Orientate the fans so that the heatsink fins allow airflow to go across the onboard heat sink(s) instead of the expansion slots. Depending on the fan manufacturer, the wiring and plug may be different. The red wire should be positive, while the black should be ground. Connect the fan's plug to the board taking into consideration the polarity of this connector.

(Only FAN1 and FAN3 can detect FAN speed)



NOTE :

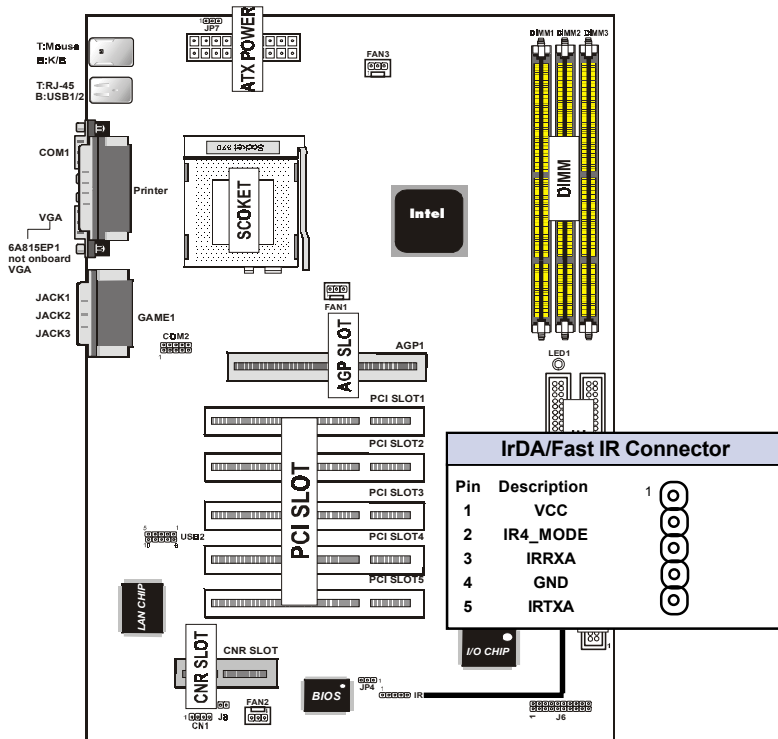
The "Rotation" signal is to be used only by a specially designed fan with rotation signal.

WARNING :

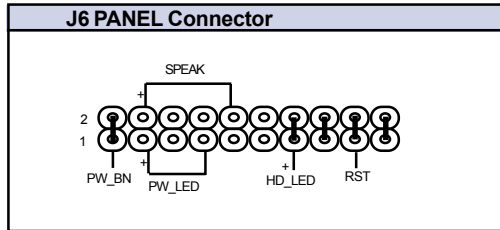
The CPU and/or motherboard will overheat if there is no air flowing across the CPU and onboard heatsinks. Damage may occur to the motherboard and/or the CPU fan if these pins are incorrectly used. These are not jumpers, do not place jumper caps over these pins.

11. IrDA / Fast IR-Compliant infrared module connector - IR

This connector supports the optional wireless transmitting and receiving infrared module. This module mounts to a small opening on system cases that support this feature. You must also configure the setting through “UART2 Use Infrared” in Chipset Feature Setup to select whether UART2 is directed for use with COM2 or IrDA. Use the five pins as shown on the Back View and connect a ribbon cable from the module to the motherboard according to the pin definitions.



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a. IDE activity LED (HD-LED)

This connector supplies power to the cabinet's IDE activity LED. Read and write activity by devices connected to the Primary or Secondary IDE connectors will cause the LED to light up.

b. Power LED Lead (PW_LED)

The system power LED lights when the system's power is on.

c. Reset Switch Lead (RST)

This 2-pin connector connects to the case-mounted reset switch for rebooting your computer without having to turn off your power switch. This is a preferred method of rebooting in order to prolong the life of the system's power supply.

d. Speaker Connector (SPEAKER)

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

e. ATX Power Switch (PW_BN)

The system power is controlled by a momentary switch connected to this lead. Pushing the button once will switch the system ON. The system power LED lights when the system's power is on.

13. ATX Power Supply Connector (20-pin block) - PW1

This connector connects to a ATX power supply. The plug from the power supply will only insert in one orientation because of the different hole sizes. Find the proper orientation and push down firmly making sure that the pins are aligned.

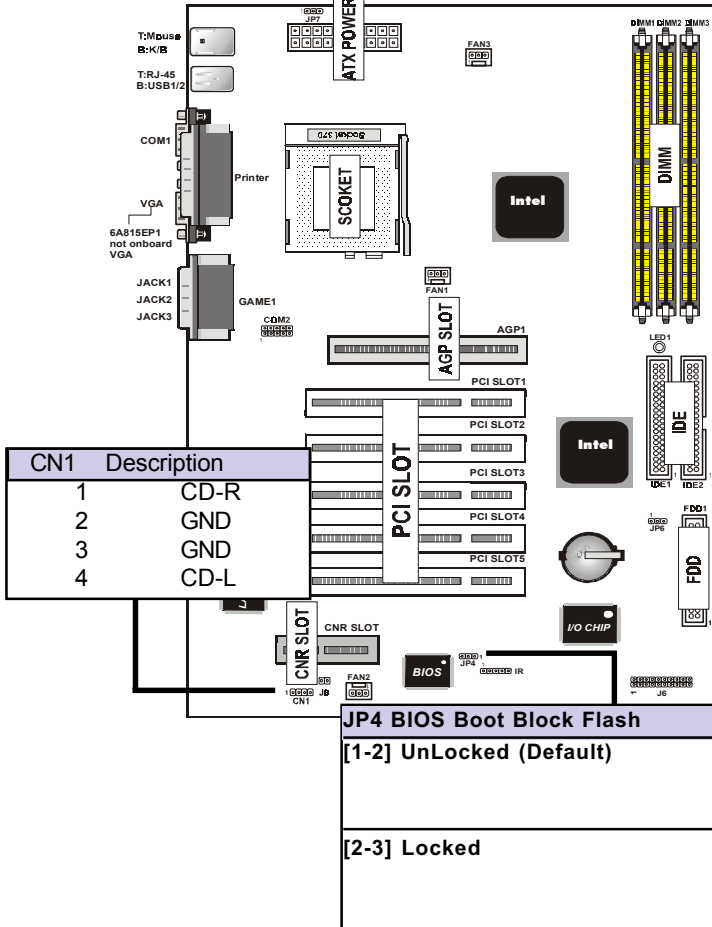
IMPORTANT:

Make sure that the ATX power supply can take at least 10mAmp load on the 5Volt standby lead (5VSB). You may experience difficulty in powering on your system without this.

Pin	Description	Pin	Description
1	3.3V	2	3.3V
3	GND	4	5V
5	GND	6	5V
7	GND	8	PW-OK
9	5VSB	10	12V
11	3.3V	12	-12V
13	GND	14	PS-ON
15	GND	16	GND
17	GND	18	-5V
19	5V	20	5V

14. CD Audio Connector- CN1

The 4-pin connectors enable the system to receive the audio output from the CD-ROM.

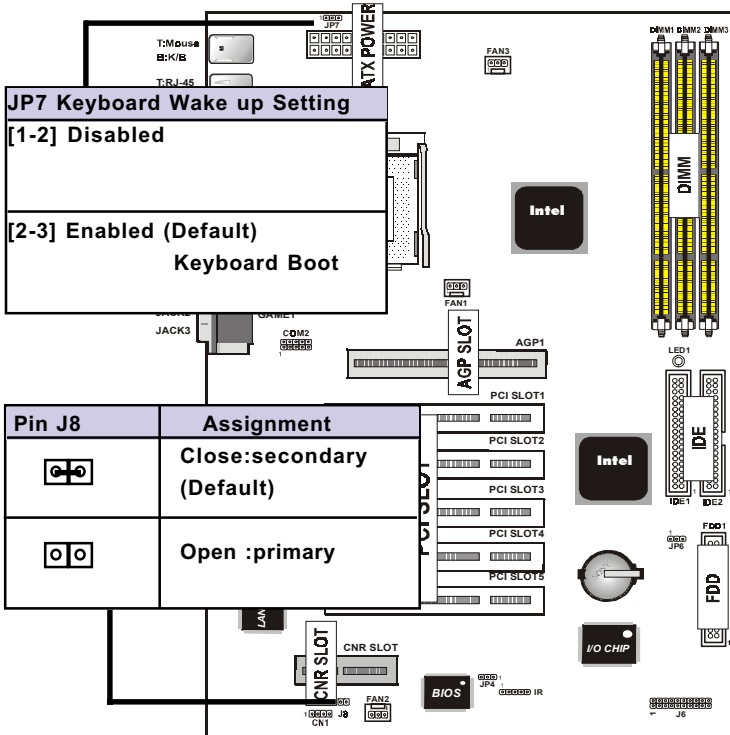


15. BIOS Boot Block Flash Jumper-JP4

The Jumper is used to locked/unlocked BIOS Boot Block Flash. This Jumper should be unlock when flashing/programming the BIOS.

16. Keyboard Wake up Setting- JP7

The Jumper is used to Keyboard boot setting.



17.CNR Card Use Setting-J8

The Jumper is used to CNR Card use setting.

18.STR LED-LED1

The LED is used to STR ON/OFF state.