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Intel® 815E ATX Motherboard

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 How This Manual Is Organized

This manual is divided into the following sections:

1. INTRODUCTION   Manual information and checklist
2. FEATURES   Production information and specifications
3. HARDWARE SETUP   Intructions on setting up the motherboard.
4. BIOS SETUP   Intructions on setting up the BIOS
5. SOFTWARE SETUP   Intructions on setting up the included software
6. SOFTWARE REFERENCE   Reference material for the included software
7. APPENDIX   Optional items and general reference

1.2 Item Checklist

Check that your package is complete. If you discover damaged or missing items, contact your retailer.

Package Contents

☑ (1) ASUS Motherboard

☑ (2) 40-pin 80-conductor ribbon cable for internal UltraDMA100/66/33 IDE drives

☑ (1) Ribbon cable for (1) 5.25" and (2) 3.5" floppy disk drives

☑ (1) COM 2 Bracket

☑ (1) Bag of spare jumpers

☑ (1) Support drivers and utilities

☑ (1) This Motherboard User's Manual

☑ (1) ASUS 2-port USB connector set with bracket

Optional Items

☐ USB Hub CNR card

☐ LAN/Home PNA CNR card

☐ AIMM card

☐ LCD controller module

☐ TV OUT controller module

☐ ASUS iPanel

☐ ASUS consumer infrared set

☐ ASUS IrDA-compliant infrared module

Special Optional Item: *The Read2-In-01 SmartCard Reader*

Power up your PC using a Smart Card. The TUSL2 supports the latest PC/SC compliant Smart Card Reader: the *Read2-In-01*. Visit the manufacturer's website: *www.tzt.com.tw* or ask your local dealer for product availability. See *Section 6*, *Software Reference,* for more detailed information about using the *Winbond Smart Manager* software.

2. FEATURES

2.1 The ASUS TUSL2

The ASUS TUSL2 motherboard is carefully designed for the demanding PC user who wants advanced features processed by the fastest processors.

2.1.1 Specifications

- **Latest Intel Processor Support**
  P III® Tualatin™ Core   100/133MHz FSB FC-PGA2
  P III® Coppermine™   100/133MHz FSB FC-PGA
  Celeron™   100/66MHz FSB FC-PGA

- **North Bridge System Chipset:** The Intel® 815E B Stepping chipset supports the latest Intel® Tualatin™processor and offers full backward compatibility to PIII® Coppermine™ and Celeron™ CPUs. The chipset supports industry standard 66/100/133 Front Side Busses (FSBs), and up to 512MB of PC100/PC133 SDRAM, and AGP Pro/4X mode, which can transport twice the amount of data compared to the current AGP standard.

- **South Bridge System Chipset:** The Intel I/O Controller Hub 2 (ICH2) features support for UltraDMA/100, which allows burst mode data transfer rates of up to 100MB/sec; two USB controllers for a total of 4 USB ports.

- **Intel® Accelerated Hub Architecture:** Features a dedicated high speed hub link between the ICH2 and GMCH with a bandwidth of 266MB/sec – twice the maximum bandwidth of the PCI bus.

- **PC100/PC133 Memory Support:** Equipped with three Dual Inline Memory Module (DIMM) sockets to support PC100/PC133-compliant non-ECC SDRAMs (available in 64, 128, 256, 512Mb densities) up to 512MB.

- **Integrated Graphics!** The 24-bit 230MHz RAMDAC graphics controller supports 3D hyper pipelined architecture, parallel data processing and compression, precise pixel interpolation, full 2D hardware acceleration, and motion video acceleration. This integrated graphics controller can be disabled to support an external AGP or PCI graphics card.

- **AGP Pro Slot:** Comes with an Accelerated Graphics Port Pro slot that supports AGP cards for high performance, component level interconnect targeted at 3D graphical applications using a 1X, 2X, or 4X mode bus. Backward compatible to support AGP 4X and AGP 2X. This slot supports an **AGP I**nline **M**emory **M**odule (AIMM) for up to 4MB of 133MHz SDRAM display cache.

- **UltraDMA33/66/100 Support:** Comes with an onboard PCI Bus Master IDE controller with two connectors that support four IDE devices on two channels. Supports UltraDMA/100, UltraDMA/66, UltraDMA/33, PIO Modes 3 & 4 and Bus Master IDE DMA Mode 2, and Enhanced IDE devices, such as DVD-ROM, CD-ROM, CD-R/RW, LS-120, and Tape Backup drives.

- **Wake-Up Support:** Supports Wake-On-LAN and Wake-On-Ring, Keyboard Wake-Up, and BIOS Wake-Up.

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- **ASUS JumperFree™:** Allows processor settings and easy overclocking of frequency and Vcore voltage through BIOS setup when JumperFree™ mode is enabled. Alternatively, easy-to-use DIP switches instead of jumpers are included to allow manual adjustment of the processor's external frequency.

- **Around-the-Clock Intrusion Detection:** The onboard battery supports detection even when normal power is removed and through a new design, battery drain is even lower than the RTC used for keeping time!

- **PC Health Monitoring:** Provides an easy way to examine and manage system status information like CPU and systerm voltages, temperatures, and fan speed status using onboard hardware: ASUS ASIC, and ASUS PC Probe software.

- **CNR Support:** One **C**ommunication and **N**etworking **R**iser (CNR) slot provides interfaces to support very affordable multichannel audio, V.90 analog modem, Home PNA, 10/100 Ethernet networking, USB hub, as well as future technologies such as xDSL.

- **PCI Expansion Slots:** Provides six 32-bit PCI (PCI 2.2 compliant) expansion slots. All PCI slots can support Bus Master PCI cards, such as SCSI or LAN cards. (PCI supports up to 133MB/s maximum throughput.)

- **Low Pin Count (LPC) Multi-I/O:** Provides two high-speed UART compatible serial ports and one parallel port with EPP and ECP capabilities. UART2 can also be directed from COM2 to the Infrared Module for wireless connections.

- **Enhanced ACPI & Anti-Boot Virus Protection:** Programmable BIOS (Flash EEPROM), offering enhanced ACPI for Windows 98/ME/2000 compatibility, built-in firmware-based virus protection, and autodetection of most devices for virtually automatic setup.

- **Smart BIOS:** 4Mbit firmware gives a new easy-to-use interface which provides more control and protection over the motherboard. Provides Vcore and CPU/SDRAM frequency adjustments, boot block write protection, and HD/SCSI/MO/ZIP/CD/Floppy boot selection.

- **Concurrent PCI:** Concurrent PCI allows multiple PCI transfers from PCI master busses to the memory and processor.

- **Onboard LED:** The onboard LED will light up when there is standby power to the motherboard. This acts as a reminder to the user to turn OFF the power before plugging and unplugging devices so as not to damage the motherboard, peripherals, and/or components.

- **One Touch Management:** Supports an optional ASUS iPanel, an easy to access box with system information LED display, front I/O ports, and space reserved for a hard disk drive. With an ASUS iPanel, you can monitor your computer system's vital components.

- **LCD/TV Output:** The LCD/TV interface can support either an optional LCD module for LCD output or a TV-out module for TV output.

- **SMBus:** Features the **S**ystem **M**anagement **Bus** interface, which is used to physically transport commands and information between SMBus devices.

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2.1.2 Specifications–Optional Components

The following onboard components are optional at the time of purchase:

- **Onboard Audio:** C-Media Audio Chip CMI8738 supporting the latest PCI 6 channel and HRTF 3D Audio sound circuitry. A software package helps setup the multi-channel PC sound system.

- **Smart Card Reader Compatible:** PC/SC compliant Smart Card Reader connectivity.

- **Promise® chip:** Available on the TUSL2, the Promise IDE controller chip supports the ATA-100 protocol and Ultra DMA/100 data transfer speeds. The chip also delivers reliable redundancy and stable performance to RAID levels 0 or 1. Data "striping," or RAID 0, improves *speed performance* as I/Otasks are spread between two hard disk drives. Data "mirroring," or RAID 1, improves system fault tolerance as the protocol optimizes two identical hard disks to write data to each other.

2.1.3 Performance

- **UltraPerformance:** Onboard IDE Bus Master controller with two connectors that support four IDE devices in two channels. Supports UltraDMA/100, UltraDMA/66, UltraDMA/33 (IDE DMA Mode 2), PIO Modes 3 & 4, and supports Enhanced IDE devices:DVD-ROM, CD-ROM, CD-R/RW, LS-120, and Tape Backup drives.

- **Concurrent PCI:** Concurrent PCI allows multiple PCI transfers from PCI master buses to memory and processor.

- **SDRAM Optimized Performance:** This motherboard supports PC133-compliant Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory (SDRAM), which increases the data transfer rate to 1066MB/s max.

- **ACPI Ready:** ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface) is also implemented on all ASUS smart series motherboards. ACPI provides more Energy Saving Features for operating systems (OS) supporting OS Direct Power Management (OSPM). With these features implemented in the OS, PCs can be ready around the clock, yet satisfy all the energy saving standards. To gain all the benefits, an ACPI-supported OS, such as Windows 98/2000/ME is required.

- **Suspend and Go:** Suspend-to-RAM (STR) provides maximum power savings as an alternative to leaving the computer ON and QuickStart™ so that you do not have to wait for a long time for system bootup.

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- **New Compliancy:** Both the BIOS and hardware levels of the motherboard meet the stringent requirements for PC 99 certification. The new PC 99 requirements for systems and components are based on high-level goals: support for Plug and Play compatibility and power management for managing all system components, and 32-bit device drivers and installation procedures for Windows 95/98/NT. Color-coded connectors and descriptive icons make identification easy.

2.1.4 Intelligence

- **Fan Status Monitoring and Alarm:** To prevent system overheat and system damage, the CPU, power supply, and system fans can be monitored for RPM and failure. All the fans are set for its normal RPM range and alarm thresholds.

- **Temperature Monitoring and Alert:** To prevent system overheat and system damage, this motherboard supports processor thermal sensing and auto-protection.

- **Voltage Monitoring and Alert:** System voltage levels are monitored to ensure stable current to critical motherboard components. Voltage specifications are more critical for future processors, so monitoring is necessary to ensure proper system configuration and management.

- **System Resources Alert:** Today's operating systems, such as Windows ME, Windows 2000, and OS/2, require much more memory and hard drive space to present user interfaces and run large applications. The onboard hardware ASUS ASIC in conjunction with either the bundled ASUS PC Probe or Intel LDCM will warn the user before the system resources are used up to prevent possible application crashes. Suggestions will give the user information on managing their limited resources more efficiently.

- **Dual Function Power Button:** Through BIOS, the power button can be defined as the "Stand by" (a.k.a. Suspend or Sleep) button or as the Soft-Off (see **ATX Power / Soft-Off Switch Lead** in *3.8 Connectors* for more information) button. Regardless of the setting, pushing the power button for more than 4 seconds will enter the Soft-Off mode.

- **Remote Ring On (requires modem):** This allows a computer to be turned on remotely through an internal or external modem. With this benefit on-hand, users can access any information from their computers from anywhere in the world.

- **Message LED (requires ACPI OS support):** Message LEDs now act as information providers. Through the way a particular LED illuminates, the user can determine if a message has been received from a fax/modem. A simple glimpse provides useful information to the user. This function requires ACPI OS and driver support.

- **Peripheral Power Up:** Keyboard or Mouse power up can be enabled or disabled through BIOS setup to allow the computer to be powered ON using your keyboard or mouse click.

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2.2 TUSL2 Motherboard Components

See opposite page for locations.

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2.2.1 Component Locations

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3.1 TUSL2 Motherboard Layout

PS/2KBMS
T: Mouse
B: Keyboard

KBPWR

USB
T: Port0
B: Port1

COM1

USBPWR01

PARALLEL PORT

PWR_FAN

Socket 370

COM2

ATX Power Connector

Intel 815E
Chipset

GAME_AUDIO

Line
Out

Line
In

Mic
In

CPU_FAN

VIO

DIMM1 (64/72 bit, 168-pin module)

DIMM2 (64/72 bit, 168-pin module)

DIMM3 (64/72 bit, 168-pin module)

SECONDARY IDE

PRIMARY IDE

DSW
DIP Switches

FLOPPY

0 1   2 3   4 5

Accelerated Graphics Port (AGP)

AAPANEL

AUX

WOL_CON

PCI1

HPHONE
MIC2

CD

PCI2

CR2032 3V
Lithium Cell
CMOS Power

Intel I/O
Controller
Hub
(ICH2)

CLRTC

MODEM

SMB

/ASUS®

C-Media
PCI
Audio

PCI3

AFPANEL

IR_CON

PCI4

AUDIO_EN

PLED2

JTPWR

PCI5

TUSL2-C

Firmware
Hub
(FWH)

ASUS ASIC
with
Hardware
Monitor

CHA_FAN

JEN

CHA

WOR

SMARTCON

PCI6

OC3

Super
I/O

IDELED

CNR_SLOT

USBP56

USBPWR56

PANEL

Grayed components are optional at the time of purchase.

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3.3 Hardware Setup Procedure

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

- **Check Motherboard Settings**
- **Install Memory Modules**
- **Install the Central Processing Unit (CPU)**
- **Install Expansion Cards**
- **Connect Ribbon Cables, Panel Wires, and Power Supply**

3.4 Motherboard Settings

WARNING! Computer motherboards and expansion cards contain very delicate Integrated Circuit (IC) chips. To protect them against damage from static electricity, you should follow some precautions whenever you work on your computer.

1. Unplug your computer when working on the inside.
2. Use a grounded wrist strap before handling computer components. If you do not have one, touch both of your hands to a safely grounded object or to a metal object, such as the power supply case.
3. Hold components by the edges and try not to touch the IC chips, leads or connectors, or other components.
4. Place components on a grounded antistatic pad or on the bag that came with the component whenever the components are separated from the system.
5. Ensure that the ATX power supply is switched off before you plug in or remove the ATX power connector on the motherboard.

WARNING! Make sure that you unplug your power supply when adding or removing system components. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to your motherboard, peripherals, and/or components. The onboard LED when lit acts as a reminder that the system is in suspend or soft-off mode and not powered OFF.

TUSL2 Onboard LED

PLED2

ON
Standby
Power

OFF
Powered
Off
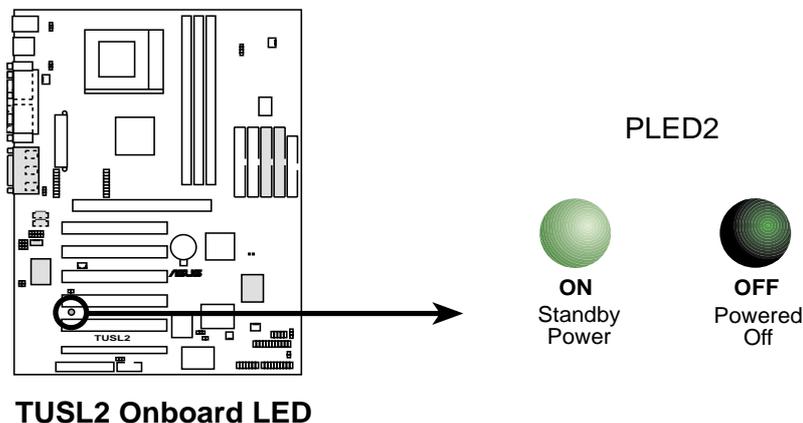
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Motherboard Feature Settings

The motherboard's onboard functions are either adjusted through jumpers or DIP switches. When using DIP switches, the white block represents the switch's position. The example below shows all the switches in the OFF position.
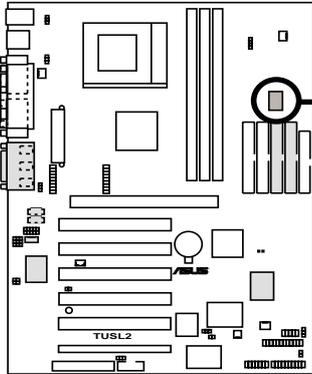
TUSL2 DIP Switches

DSW

ON OFF

1. Frequency Selection
2. Frequency Selection
3. Frequency Selection
4. Frequency Selection
5. Frequency Selection.

1) JumperFree™ Mode (JEN)

This jumper allows you to enable or disable the JumperFree™ mode. The JumperFree™ mode allows processor settings to be made through the BIOS setup (see *4.4 Advanced Menu*).

NOTE: In JumperFree™ mode, all dip switches must be set to OFF.

Setting	JEN
Disable (Jumper)	[1-2]
Enable (JumperFree)	[2-3] (default)
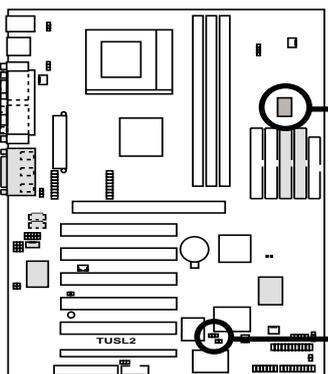
TUSL2 JumperFree™ Mode Setting

DSW

OFF
(default)

Disable

1 2

Enable
(default)

2 3

JEN

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2) USB Device Wake Up (USBPWR01,USBPWR23)

These allow you to disable or enable the USB device wake up function. Set these jumpers to *Enable* if you wish to use your USB devices to wake up your computer. This feature requires an ATX power supply that can supply at least 2A on the +5VSB lead. The default is set to *Disable* because not all computers have the appropriate ATX power supply. Your computer will not power ON if you set this to *Enable* and do not have the appropriate ATX power supply. **NOTE:** This jumper must be set in conjunction with **Wake On USB for STR State** in *4.5.1 Power Up Control.*

NOTES

1. For suspend to RAM function, these jumpers must be set to *Enable*.
2. The total current consumed must NOT exceed the power supply capability (+5VSB) whether under normal working conditions or in the sleep mode.

Setting	USBPWR01, USBPWR23
Disable	[1-2] (default)
Enable	[2-3]

USBPWR01
USBPWR23

Disable
(Default)
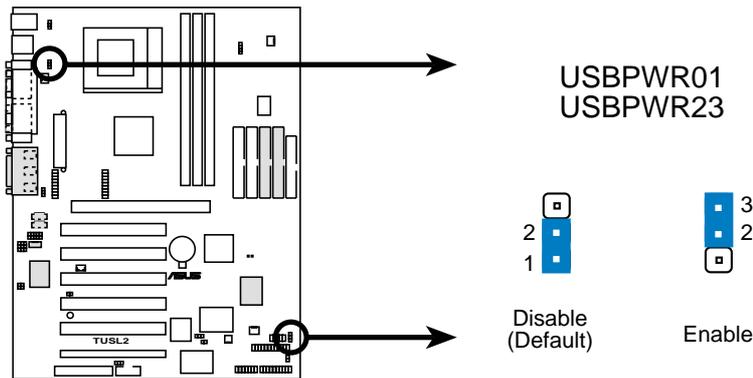
Enable

TUSL2 USB Device Wake Up

3) USB/CNR Selection (OC3)

This jumper switches the circuit power between the USB23 connector and the CNR slot. Note that the default is set to power the USB23 connector.

Setting	OC3
Enable CNR	[1-2]
Enable USB23	[2-3] (default)

OC3

1 2	2 3
USB on CNR	USB23
	(Default)

TUSL2 USB/CNR Selection
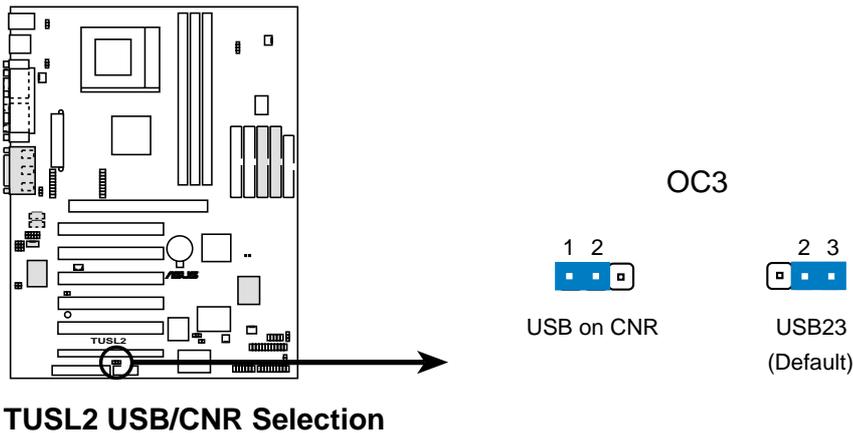
4) Keyboard Power Up (KBPWR)

This allows you to disable or enable the keyboard power up function. Set this jumper to *Enable* if you wish to use your keyboard (by pressing <Spacebar>) to power up your computer. This feature requires an ATX power supply that can supply at least 300mA on the +5VSB lead. The default is set to *Disable* because not all computers have the appropriate ATX power supply. Your computer will not power ON if you set this to *Enable* but do not have the appropriate ATX power supply. **NOTE:** This jumper must be set in conjunction with **Wake On PS2 KB/ PS2 Mouse/CIR** in *4.5.1 Power Up Control.*

Setting	KBPWR
Enable	[1-2] (default)
Disable	[2-3]

KBPWR

Enable   Disable

TUSL2 Keyboard Power Setting
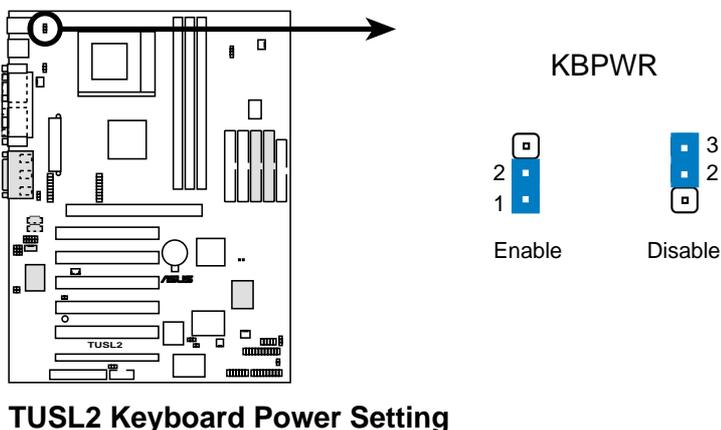
5) Voltage I/O Setting (VIO)

This jumper allows you to select the voltage supplied to the DRAM, chipset, AGP, and PCI. The default setting of *3.40V* should be used unless processor overclocking requires a higher voltage.

Setting	VIO
3.30 V	[1-2]
3.40 V	[2-3] (default)
3.60 V	[3-4]

VIO

3.30 V   3.40 V   3.60 V
              (Default)

TUSL2 VIO Setting
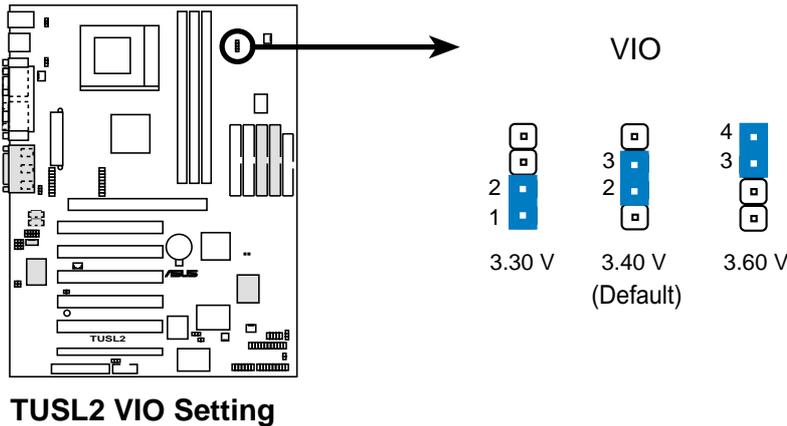
WARNING! Using a higher voltage may help when overclocking but may result in the shortening of your computer component's life. It is highly recommended that you leave this setting on its default.

6) Bass Center Setting (CENTER/BASS, BASS/CENTER)

Use these jumpers in conjunction with the C-Media PCI Audio Driver and to adjust output for 6 speaker audio. No audio standard exists for the three pick-up surfaces on male audio jacks, therefore it may be necessary to switch jumpers from the default position, type 1, to type 2, in order to help reroute signals among the internal leads in the Line-In, Line-Out, Mic female sockets. Make sure a test is made using the C-Media Audio Driver software setup available on the Support CD.

BCS

type 1 Bass   type 2 Bass
(CENTER/BASS)   (BASS/CENTER)
                       (Default)

TUSL2 Bass Center Setting
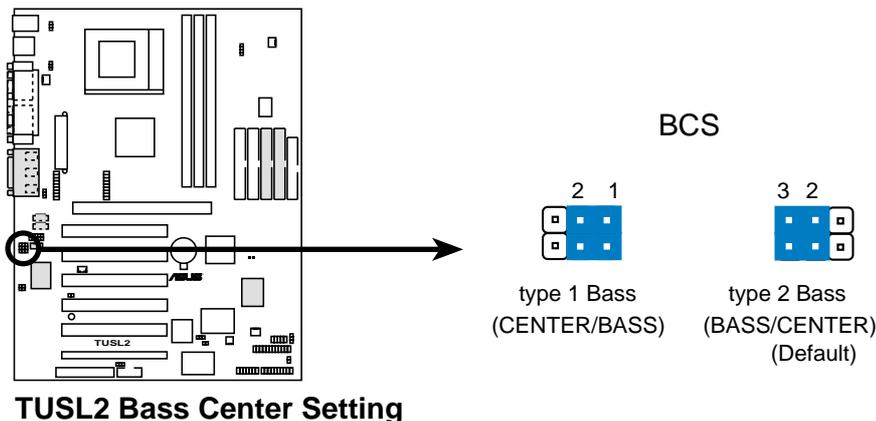
7) CPU External Frequency Setting (DSW)

This option tells the clock generator what frequency to send to the CPU, DRAM, AGP, and the PCI bus. This allows the selection of the CPU's *External* frequency.

IMPORTANT:
1. In JumperFree mode, all dip switches must be set to OFF.
2. When JumperFree mode is enabled, use BIOS setup in place of these switches (*see* **CPU Speed** in *Advanced Menu* in BIOS Setup).

NOTE: Only selected switches are illustrated. For a complete frequency listing, see next page.

DSW

CPU	67MHz	100MHz	103MHz	134MHz
DRAM	100MHz	100MHz	103MHz	100MHz
AGP	67MHz	67MHz	69MHz	67MHz

CPU	140MHz	134MHz	140MHz	(JumperFree Mode)
DRAM	105MHz	134MHz	140MHz	
AGP	70MHz	67MHz	70MHz	

TUSL2-C CPU External Clock (BUS) Frequency Selection
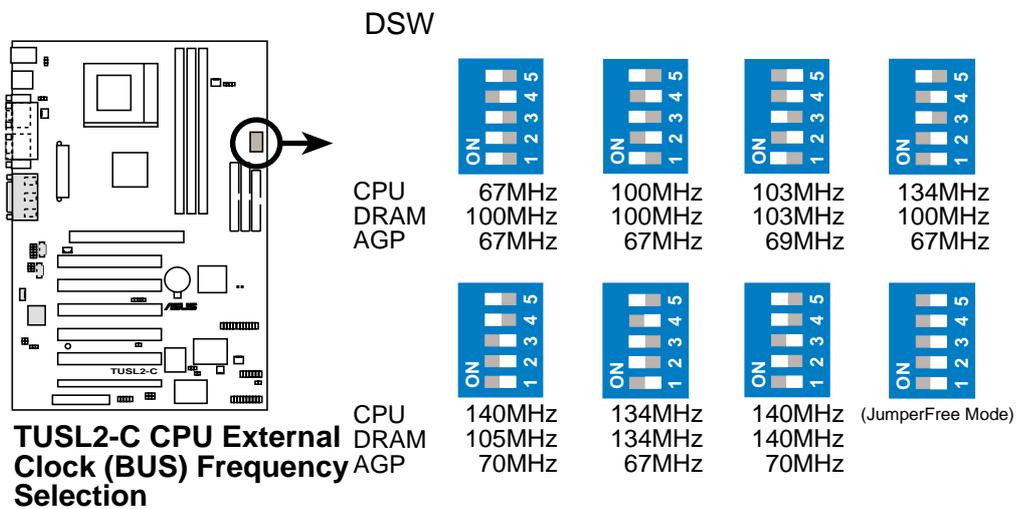
NOTE: If your processor does not have a locked Frequency Multiple, you must use **CPU Core:Bus Freq. Multiple** in *4.4 Advanced Menu* to set the Frequency Multiple. If the Frequency Multiple is locked, setting the Frequency Multiple in BIOS setup will have no effect.

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External Frequency Table

The following table is for use by experienced motherboard installers only. Overclocking can result in system instability or even shortening the life of the processor.

CPU:DRAM Ratio	CPU (MHz)	SDRAM (MHz)	Frequency Selection Switches 1	2	3	4	5
66:100	64.4	99.6	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]
66:100	60.0	90.0	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]	[OFF]
66:100	**66.0**	**100.0**	**[ON]**	**[ON]**	**[ON]**	**[OFF]**	**[ON]**
66:100	68.3	102.5	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]
66:100	70.0	105.0	[ON]	[ON]	[OFF]	[ON]	[ON]
66:100	75.0	112.5	[ON]	[ON]	[OFF]	[ON]	[OFF]
66:100	80.0	120.0	[ON]	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[ON]
66:100	83.0	124.5	[ON]	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]
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100:100	**100.0**	**100.0**	**[ON]**	**[OFF]**	**[ON]**	**[OFF]**	**[ON]**
100:100	**103.0**	**103.0**	**[ON]**	**[OFF]**	**[ON]**	**[OFF]**	**[OFF]**
100:100	105.0	105.0	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[ON]	[ON]
100:100	110.0	110.0	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[ON]	[OFF]
100:100	115.0	115.0	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[ON]
100:100	200.0	200.0	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]
133:133	132.8	132.8	[OFF]	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]
133:133	166.6	166.6	[OFF]	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]	[OFF]
133:133	**133.0**	**133.0**	**[OFF]**	**[ON]**	**[ON]**	**[OFF]**	**[ON]**
133:133	137.0	137.0	[OFF]	[ON]	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]
133:133	**140.0**	**140.0**	**[OFF]**	**[ON]**	**[OFF]**	**[ON]**	**[ON]**
133:133	145.0	145.0	[OFF]	[ON]	[OFF]	[ON]	[OFF]
133:133	150.0	150.0	[OFF]	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[ON]
133:133	160.0	160.0	[OFF]	[ON]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]
133:100	132.8	99.6	[OFF]	[OFF]	[ON]	[ON]	[ON]
133:100	166.6	125.0	[OFF]	[OFF]	[ON]	[ON]	[OFF]
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133:100	145.0	108.8	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[ON]	[OFF]
133:100	150.0	112.5	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[ON]
133:100	160.0	120.0	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]	[OFF]

For updated processor settings, visit ASUS's web site (see ASUS CONTACT INFORMATION)

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3.5 System Memory (DIMM)

NOTE: No hardware or BIOS setup is required after adding or removing memory.

This motherboard uses only Dual Inline Memory Modules (DIMMs). Sockets are available for **3.3Volt** (power level) unbuffered Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory (SDRAM). One side (with memory chips) of the DIMM takes up one row on the motherboard.

Memory speed setup is recommended through **SDRAM Configuration** in *4.4.1 Chip Configuration.*

Install memory in any combination as follows:

DIMM Location	168-pin DIMM		Total Memory
Socket 1 (Rows 0&1)	SDRAM 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512MB	x1	
Socket 2 (Rows 2&3)	SDRAM 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512MB	x1	
Socket 3 (Rows 4&5)	SDRAM 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512MB	x1	
	Total System Memory (Max 512MB)	=	

NOTE: Make sure the total installed memory does not exceeds 512MB. Otherwise, the system may hang during startup.

3.5.1 General DIMM Notes

- ASUS motherboards support SPD (Serial Presence Detect) DIMMs. This is the memory of choice for best performance vs. stability.
- BIOS shows SDRAM memory on bootup screen.
- Single-sided DIMMs come in 16, 32, 64,128, 256MB; double-sided come in 32, 64, 128, 256, 512MB.

NOTE: For PC133 SDRAM to run at 133MHz, the system CPU bus must also operate at that speed.

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3.5.2 Memory Installation

WARNING! Make sure that you unplug your power supply when adding or removing memory modules or other system components. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to both your motherboard and expansion cards (see *3.3 Hardware Setup Procedure* for more information).

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

20 Pins

60 Pins

88 Pins
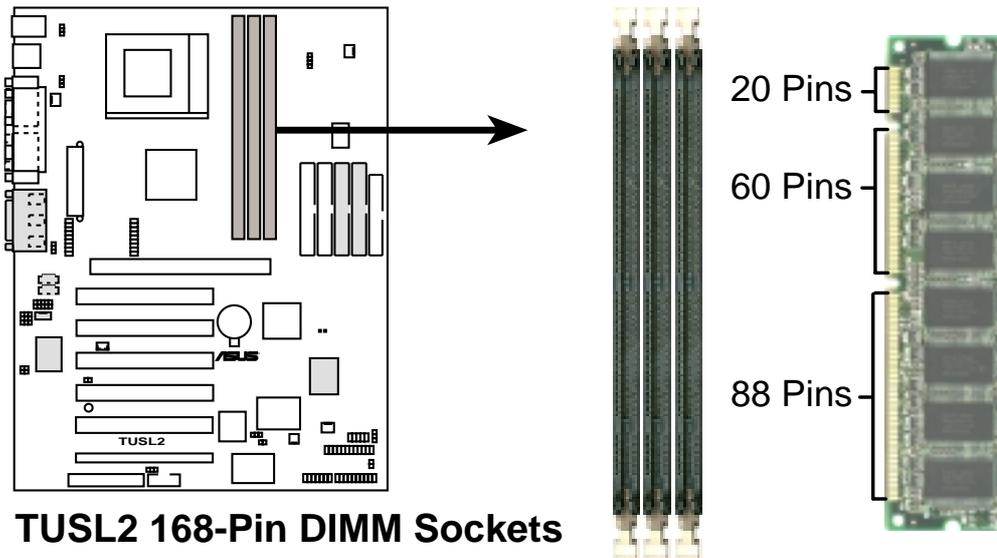
TUSL2 168-Pin DIMM Sockets

The DIMMs must be 3.3Volt unbuffered SDRAMs. To determine the DIMM type, check the notches on the DIMMs (see figure below).

168-Pin DIMM Notch Key Definitions (3.3V)

DRAM Key Position   Voltage Key Position

RFU ⌐ └ **Unbuffered**   5.0V ⌐ └ Reserved
Buffered   **3.3V**
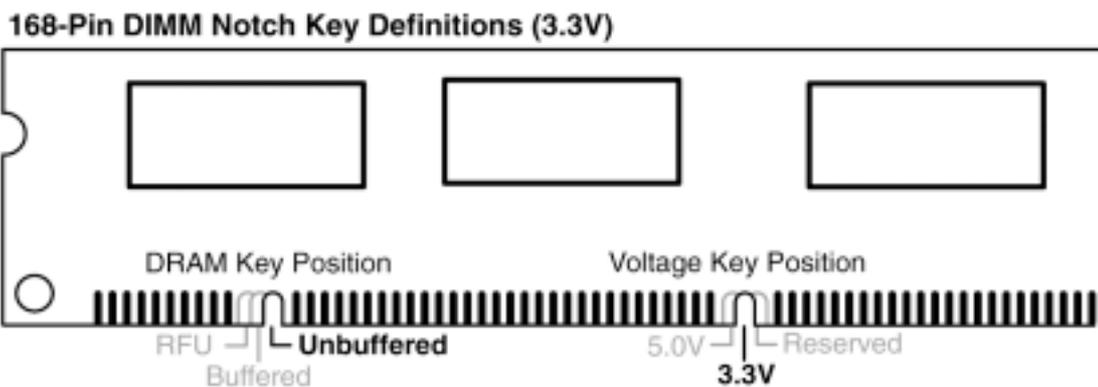
The notches on the DIMM will shift between left, center, or right to identify the type and also to prevent the wrong type from being inserted into the DIMM slot on the motherboard. You must tell your retailer the correct DIMM type before purchasing. This motherboard supports four clock signals per DIMM.

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3.6 Central Processing Unit (CPU)

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.

WARNING! Be sure that there is sufficient air circulation across the processor's heatsink by regularly checking that your CPU fan is working. Without sufficient circulation, the processor could overheat and damage both the processor and the motherboard. You may install an auxiliary fan, if necessary.

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 angle. Insert the CPU with the correct orientation. The notched corner should point towards the inner corner of the lever hinge. The CPU will only fit in this orientation because the CPU has a corner pin for two of the four corners, You should have a CPU fan that completely covers the face of the CPU. With the added weight of the CPU fan, no force is required to insert the CPU. Once completely inserted, close the socket's lever while holding down the CPU. After the CPU is in place, install an Intel fan heatsink. Locate the CPU fan connector (see *3.1 Motherboard Layout* or *3.8 Connectors*) and connect the CPU fan cable to it.

NOTE: Do not forget to set the correct Bus Frequency and Multiple (frequency multiple setting is available only on unlocked processors) for your Socket 370 processor or else boot-up may not be possible. Socket 370 processors provide internal thermal sensing so that a socket mounted thermal resistor is not needed.

CAUTION! Be careful not to scrape the motherboard when mounting a clamp-style processor fan or else damage may occur to the motherboard.

TUSL2-C Socket 370

Pentium III

Gold Arrow →

Tualatin/
Celeron

Gold Arrow →
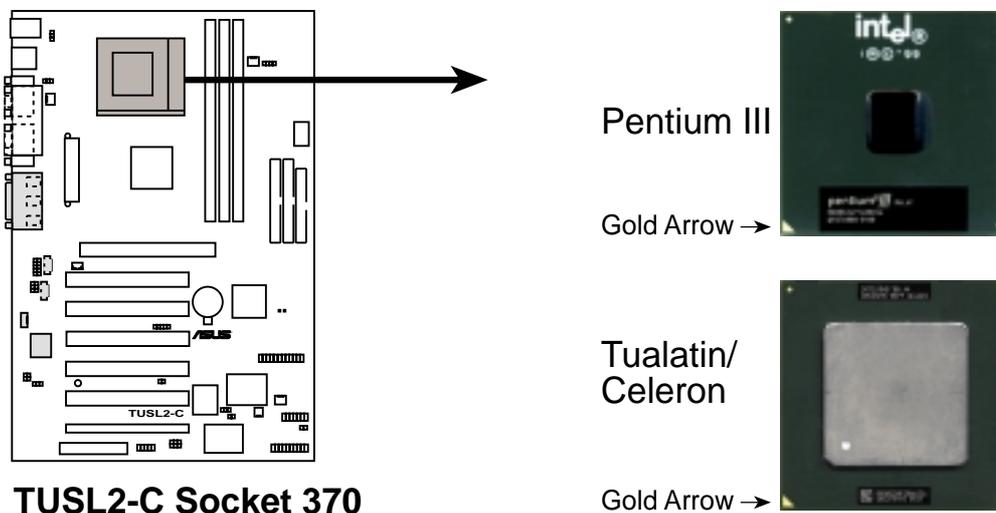
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3.7 Expansion Cards

> **WARNING!** Unplug your power supply when adding or removing expansion cards or other system components. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to both your motherboard and expansion cards (see *3.3 Hardware Setup Procedure* for more information).

3.7.1 Expansion Card Installation Procedure

1. Read the documentation for your expansion card and make any necessary hardware or software settings for your expansion card, such as jumpers.
2. Remove your computer system's cover and the bracket plate on the slot you intend to use. Keep the bracket for possible future use.
3. Carefully align the card's connectors and press firmly.
4. Secure the card on the slot with the screw you removed above.
5. Replace the computer system's cover.
6. Set up the BIOS if necessary
   (such as *IRQ xx Used By ISA: Yes* in PNP AND PCI SETUP)
7. Install the necessary software drivers for your expansion card.

3.7.2 Assigning IRQs for Expansion Cards

Some expansion cards need an IRQ to operate. Generally, an IRQ must be exclusively assigned to one use. In a standard design, there are 16 IRQs available but most of them are already in use, leaving 6 IRQs free for expansion cards. If your motherboard has **PCI** audio onboard, an additional IRQ will be used. If your motherboard also has **MIDI** enabled, another IRQ will be used, leaving 4 IRQs free.

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 enabled
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.

Interrupt Request Table for this Motherboard

Interrupt requests are shared as shown by the following table:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
PCI slot 1	—	—	—	—	—	shared	—	—
PCI slot 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	shared	—
PCI slot 3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	shared
PCI slot 4	—	—	—	—	shared	—	—	—
PCI slot 5	—	—	—	—	—	shared	—	—
PCI slot 6	—	—	used	—	—	—	—	—
Onboard VGA	shared	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Onboard USB controller HC0	—	—	—	used	—	—	—	—
Onboard USB controller HC1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	shared
AGP Pro	shared	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
CNR LAN	—	—	—	—	shared	—	—	—
CNR Audio/Modem	—	used	—	—	—	—	—	—
Onboard Promise	—	—	—	—	—	—	shared	—
Onboard Audio	—	—	—	—	—	shared	—	—

IMPORTANT: If using PCI cards on shared slots, make sure that the drivers support "Share IRQ" or that the cards do not need IRQ assignments. Conflicts will arise between the two PCI groups that will make the system unstable or cards inoperable.

3.7.3 Communication and Networking Riser (CNR) Slot

This connector supports specially designed network, audio, or modem riser cards. Main processing is done through software and controlled by the motherboard's system chipset. This provides upgradeable network, audio, and/or modem solutions at an incredibly low cost.

NOTE: A CNR is not included with this motherboard.
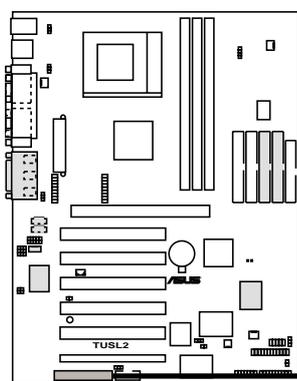
**TUSL2 Communication
& Networking Riser Connector**

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3.7.4 Accelerated Graphics Port (AGP) Pro Slot

This motherboard provides an accelerated graphics port (AGP) pro slot to support a new generation of AGP graphics cards with ultra-high memory bandwidth.
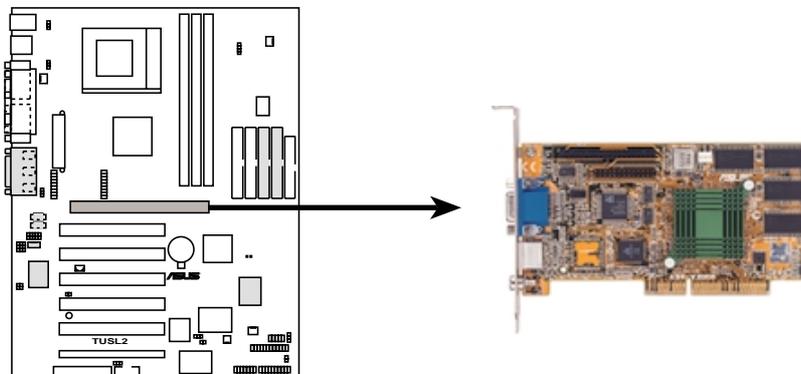
TUSL2 Accelerated Graphics Port (AGP)

CAUTION! The AGP Pro slot is shipped with a warning label over the 20-pin bay. **DO NOT** remove this label and the safety tab underneath it if you will be using an AGP card *without* a retention notch. Removing may cause the card to shift and may cause damage to your card, slot, and motherboard. Remove ONLY when you will be using an *AGP Pro* card. Use a rigid tip, such as a pen tip, to dislodge and remove the tab from the bay.
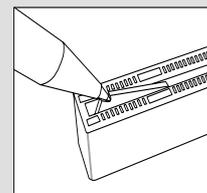
Removing the tab

3.8 External Connectors

> **WARNING!** Some pins are used for connectors or power sources. These are clearly distinguished from jumpers in the Motherboard Layout. Placing jumper caps over these connector pins will cause damage to your motherboard.

> **IMPORTANT:** Ribbon cables should always be connected with the red stripe to Pin 1 on the connectors. Pin 1 is usually on the side closest to the power connector on hard drives and CD-ROM drives, but may be on the opposite side on floppy disk drives. Check the connectors before installation because there may be exceptions. IDE ribbon cable must be less than 46 cm (18 in.), with the second drive connector no more than 15 cm (6 in.) from the first connector.

1) PS/2 Mouse Connector (Green 6-pin PS2KBMS)
The system will direct IRQ12 to the PS/2 mouse if one is detected. If one is not detected, expansion cards can use IRQ12. See **PS/2 Mouse Function Control** in *4.4 Advanced Menu*.

PS/2 Mouse (6-pin female)
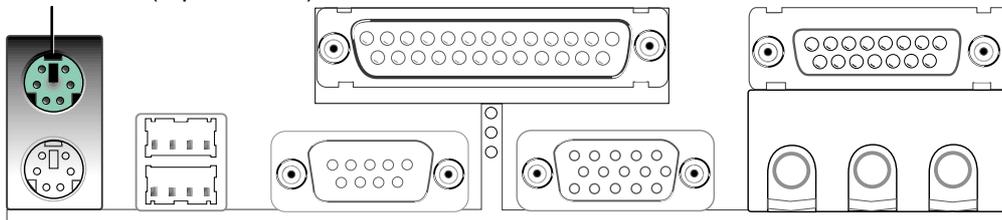
2) PS/2 Keyboard Connector (Purple 6-pin PS2KBMS)
This connection is for a standard keyboard using an PS/2 plug (mini DIN). **This connector will not allow standard AT size (large DIN) keyboard plugs. You may use a DIN to mini DIN adapter on standard AT keyboards.**
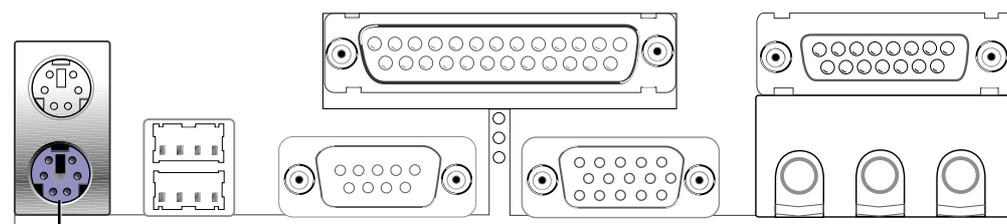
PS/2 Keyboard (6-pin female)

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3) Universal Serial BUS Ports 0 & 1 (Black two 4-pin USB)

Two USB ports are available for connecting USB devices. For additional USB ports, you can use the USB headers (see **USB Headers** later in this section) and mount it to the chassis.

USB 1

Universal Serial Bus (USB) 2
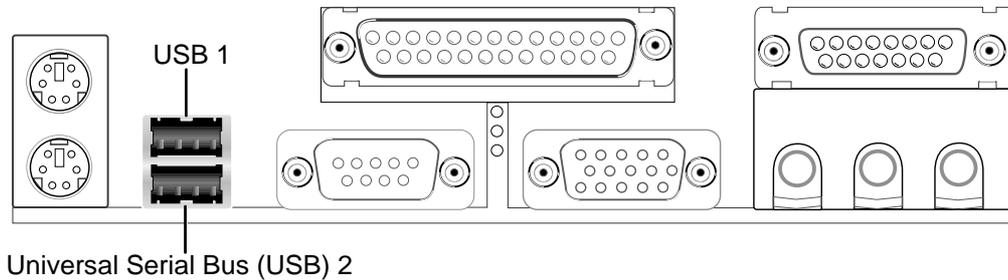
4) Parallel Port Connector (Burgundy 25-pin PRINTER)

You can enable the parallel port and choose the IRQ through **Onboard Parallel Port** (see *4.4.2 I/O Device Configuration*).
NOTE: Serial printers must be connected to the serial port.

Parallel (Printer) Port (25-pin female)
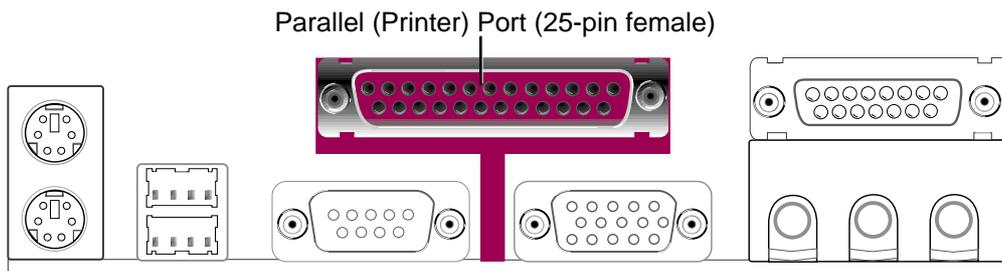
5) Monitor Output Connector (Blue 15-pin VGA)

This connector is for output to a VGA-compatible device.

VGA Monitor (15-pin female)
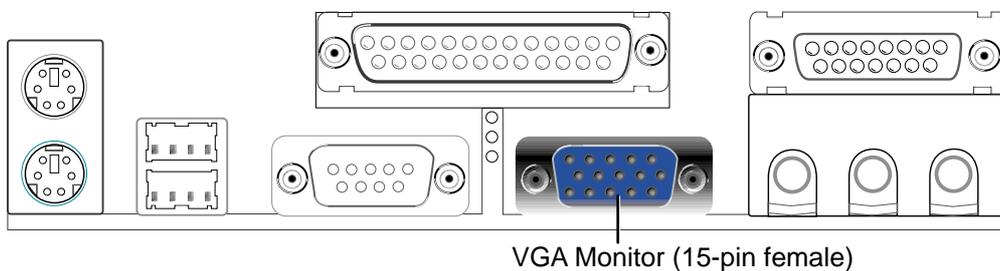
6) Serial Port Connectors (Teal/Turquoise 9-pin COM1, 10-1 pin COM2)

One serial port is ready for a mouse or other serial devices. A second serial port is available using a serial port bracket connected from the motherboard to an expansion slot opening. See **Onboard Serial Port 1/2** in *4.4.2 I/O Device Configuration* for settings.

COM 1
Serial Port (9-pin male)

PIN 1

TUSL2 Serial COM2 Bracket
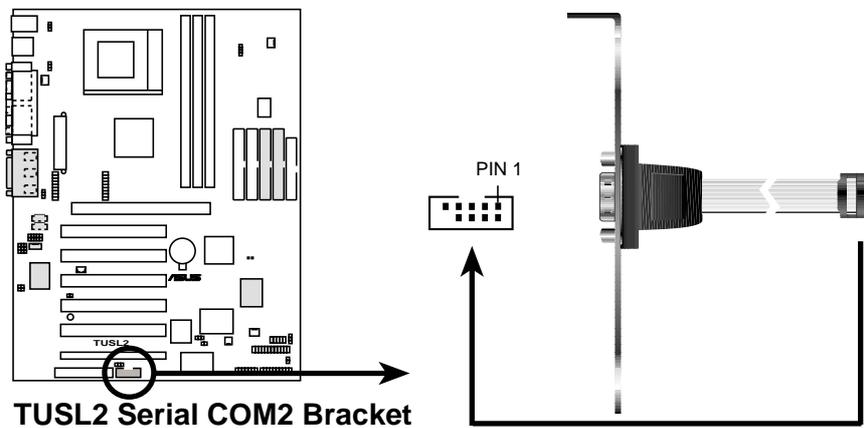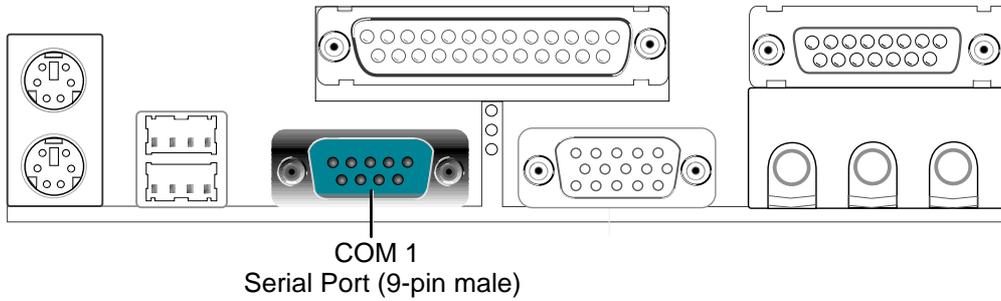
7) Game/MIDI Connector (Gold 15-pin GAME_AUDIO) (optional)

You may connect game joysticks or game pads to this connector for playing games. Connect MIDI devices for playing or editing professional audio.

Joystick/MIDI (15-pin female)
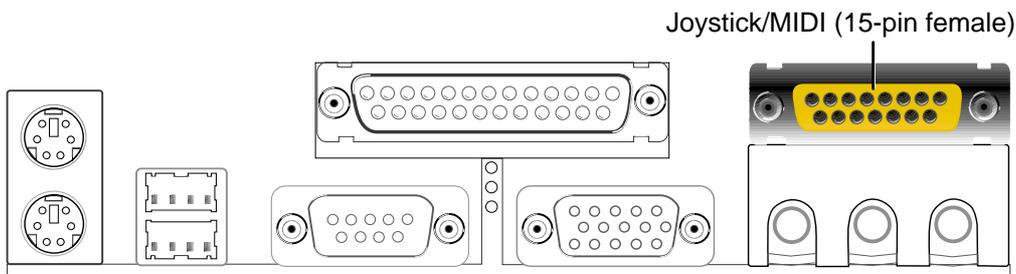
8) Audio Port Connectors (Three 1/8" GAME_AUDIO) (optional)
Line Out (lime) can be connected to headphones or preferably powered speakers. **Line In** (light blue) allows tape players or other audio sources to be recorded by your computer or played through the **Line Out** (lime). **Mic** (pink) allows microphones to be connected for inputting voice. **See** *Section 6.3* in *Software Reference, Multi-Channel Audio Feature Setup* for information about using Line Out, Line In and Mic for audio output.

Line Out   Line In   Mic
1/8" Stereo Audio Connectors
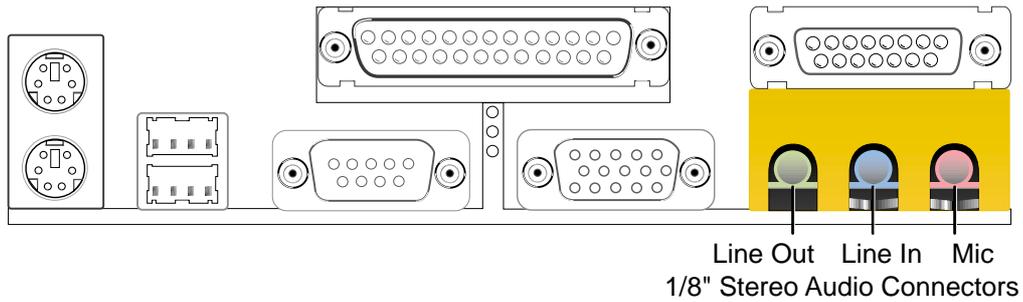
9) Floppy Disk Drive Connector (34-1pin FLOPPY)
This connector supports the provided floppy drive ribbon cable. After connecting the single end to the board, connect the two plugs on the other end to the floppy drives. **(Pin 5 is removed to prevent inserting in the wrong orientation when using ribbon cables with pin 5 plugged).**

FLOPPY

NOTE: Orient the red markings on the floppy ribbon cable to PIN 1.

PIN 1
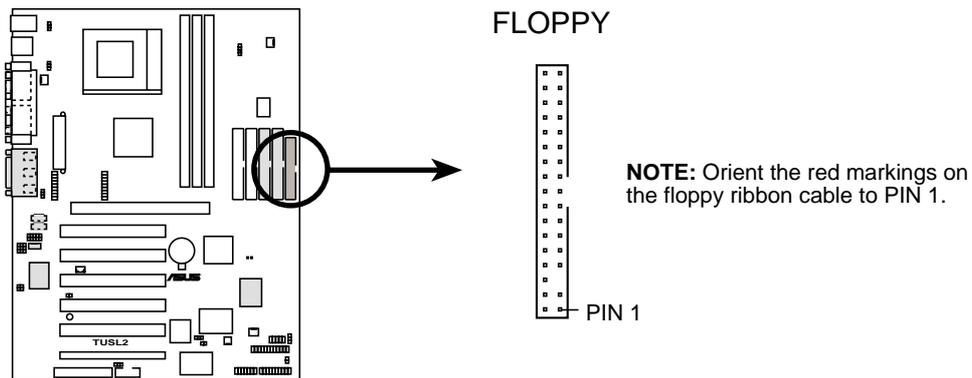
TUSL2 Floppy Disk Drive Connector

9) **Primary (Blue) / Secondary (Black) IDE Connectors**
   (40-1 pin PRIMARY IDE and SECONDARY IDE)
   (40-1 pin PRIMARY ATAIDE and SECONDARY ATAIDE)
   These connectors support the IDE hard disk ribbon cables supplied with the motherboard. Connect the cable's blue connector to the motherboard's primary IDE connector (recommended) or the secondary IDE connector. Then connect the opposite end of the cable to your UltraDMA/100/66 device (hard disk drive). A second slave hard disk may be attached to the intermediate connector on the cable. If a second hard disk drive is connected, you may reset its jumper to Slave mode. Refer to your hard disk documentation for the jumper settings. It is recommended that non-UltraDMA/100/66 devices be connected to the secondary IDE connector. BIOS now supports specific device bootup (**see** *4.6 Boot Menu*.) If you have more than two UltraDMA100/66 devices, you will need to purchase another UltraDMA100/66 cable. **(Pin 20 is removed to prevent inserting in the wrong orientation when using ribbon cables.)**

   The TUSL2 motherboard is supplied with two extra onboard IDE connectors: one Primary ATAIDE1 and one Secondary ATAIDE2. You can use them to setup the RAID 0 or 1 arrays and to support extra IDE devices. A total of eight hard-disks, two on each IDE connector, can be connected to the TUSL2, but only two can function in a RAID array. *See 5.4 Software Setup* for more information about setting up a RAID array.

   TIP: For high-performance and RAID 0 or 1 set ups, always setup two hard disks with *two separate* ribbon cables, one for the primary IDE connector and another for the secondary IDE connector. Usually, both disks may be set to the Master settings. Also, you may install one operating system on an IDE drive and another on a SCSI drive and select the boot disk through BIOS. (*See 4.6 Boot Menu*.)

   NOTE: UltraDMA/100 is backward compatible with DMA/66 and DMA/33 and with all with existing DMA devices and systems, so there is no need to upgrade current EIDE/IDE drives and host systems.

IMPORTANT: UltraDMA66 and UltraDMA100 IDE devices require a 40-pin 80-conductor cable and RAID arrays *only operate* with such cables.
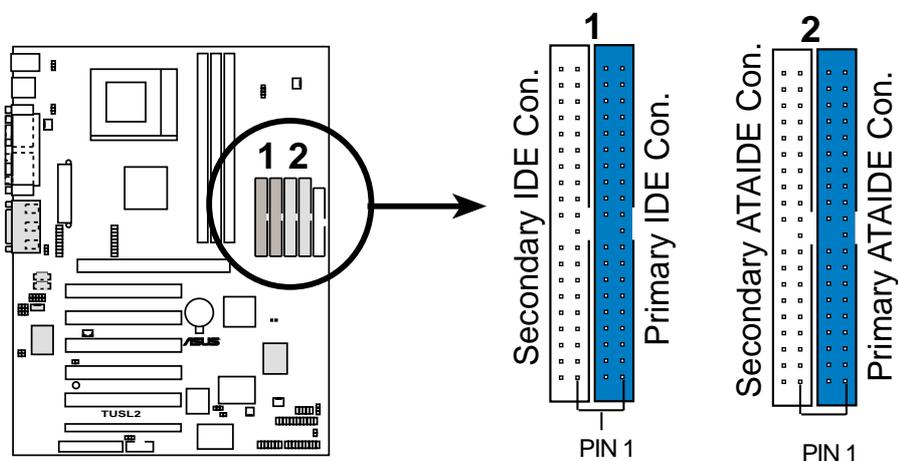
TUSL2 IDE Connectors

NOTE: Orient the red markings on the IDE ribbon cable to PIN 1.

11) IDE Activity LED (2-pin IDELED)

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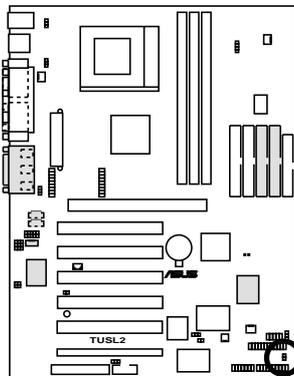
TIP: If the case-mounted LED does not light, try reversing the 2-pin plug.

IDELED

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−

TUSL2 IDE Activity LED

12) Power Supply (PWR_FAN), CPU (CPU_FAN), Chassis (CHA_FAN) Fan Connectors (3 pins)

These connectors support cooling fans of 350mA (4.2 Watts) or less. Orientate the fans so that the heat sink 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 the connector.

NOTE: The "Rotation" signal is to be used only by a specially designed fan with rotation signal. The Rotations per Minute (RPM) can be read directly from the ASUS iPanel or monitored using a utility such as ASUS PC Probe (or Intel LDCM.)

WARNING! The CPU and/or motherboard will overheat if there is no airflow 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.**

Rotation
+12V
GND
CPU_FAN

GND
+12V
Rotation
PWR_FAN

Rotation
+12V
GND
CHA_FAN
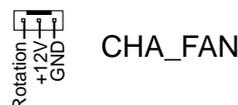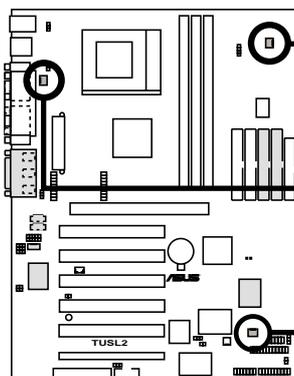
TUSL2 12-Volt Cooling Fan Power

13) Internal Audio Connectors (4-pin CD1, AUX, VIDEO, MODEM)

These connectors allow you to receive stereo audio input from such sound sources 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.

AUX (White)

CD (Black)

MODEM

Right Audio Channel

Ground

Left Audio Channel

Modem-In
Ground
Modem-Out
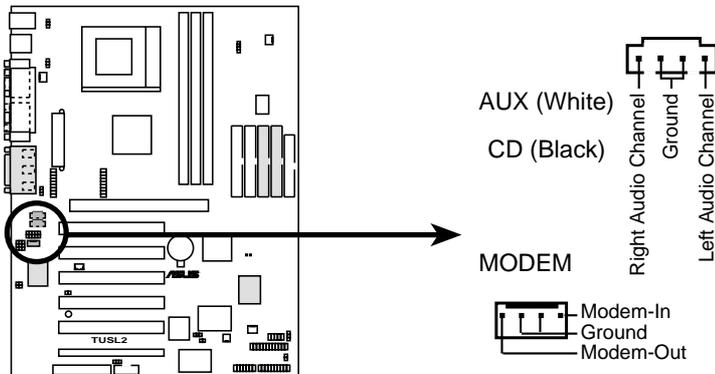
TUSL2 Internal Audio Connectors

14) Headphone True-Level Line Out Header (3-pin HPHONE)

This connector allows you to connect chassis mounted headphone to the motherboard instead of having to attach an external headphone onto the ATX connectors.

HPHONE

Earphone Right

GND

Earphone Left

1
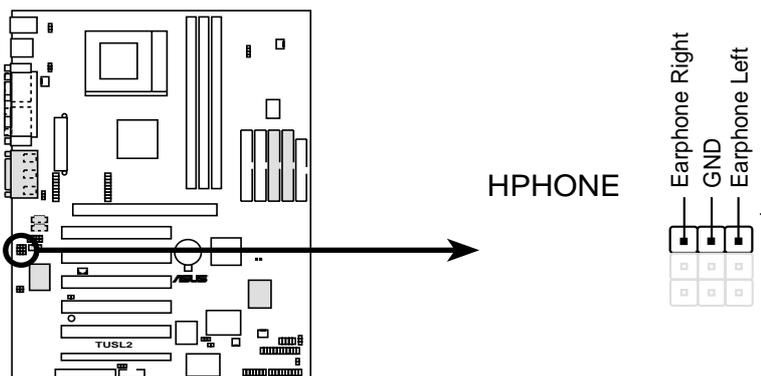
TUSL2 True-Level Line Out Header

15) Internal Microphone Connector (3-pin MIC2)

This connector allows you to connect chassis mounted microphone to the motherboard instead of having to attach an external microphone onto the ATX connectors.

MIC2

3 — Ground
— MIC Input
— MIC Power
1
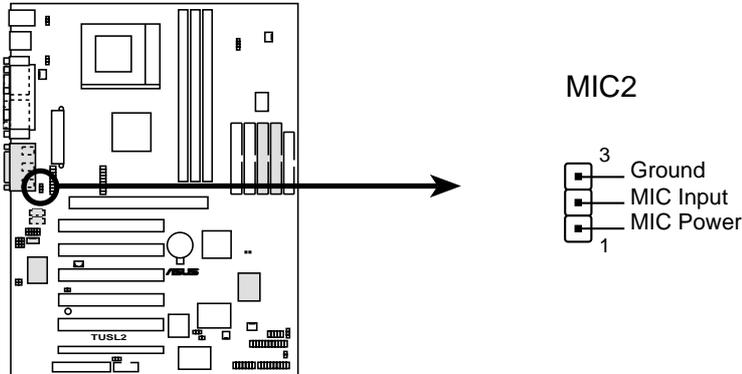
TUSL2 Internal Microphone Connector

16) ASUS iPanel Connector (12-1 pin AFPANEL)

This connector allows you to connect an optional ASUS iPanel, an easy to access drive bay with front I/O ports, status LEDs, and space reserved for a hard disk drive. If you are not using an ASUS iPanel, you can connect an optional wireless transmitting and receiving infrared module to the SIR connector or an optional consumer infrared connector set to the CIR and SIR connectors for both wireless transmitting and remote control functions through one external infrared module.

AFPANEL

+5 V
IRRX
GND
IRTX
SMBDATA
+3VSB
SMBCLK
LOCKKEY
NC
NC

NC
GND
NC
CIRRX
+5VSB
CHASSIS#
EXTSMI#
+5V
MLED-
PCIRST#
BATT
NC

+5 V
IRRX
GND
IRTX

SIR
CIR

NC
GND
NC
CIRRX
+5VSB

IR_CON

Standard Infrared (SIR)
Front View   Back View

IRTX — — +5V
GND — — (NC)
IRRX
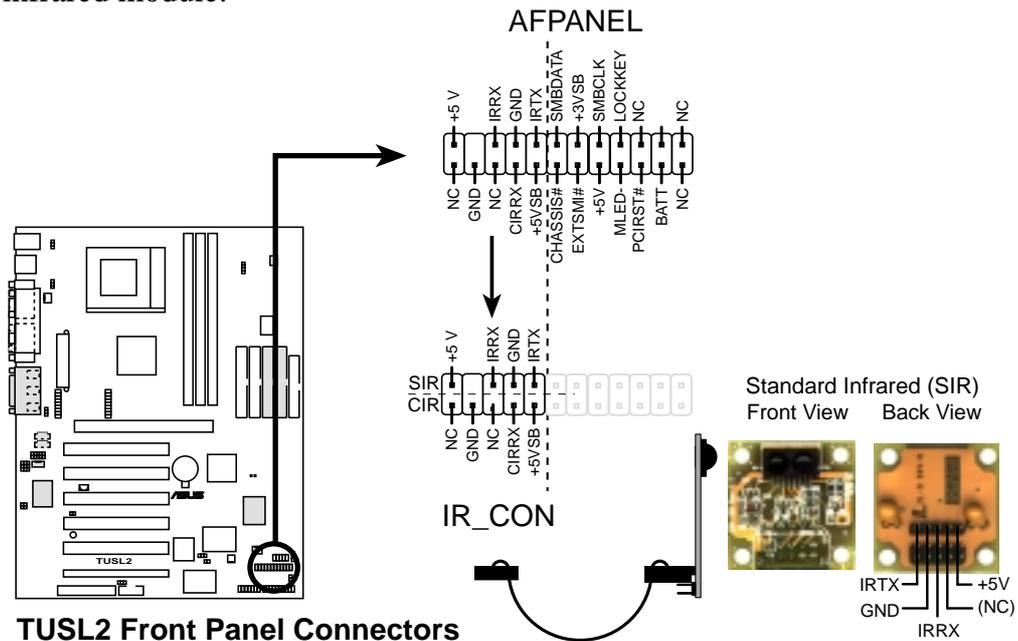
TUSL2 Front Panel Connectors

17) ASUS iPanel Audio Connector (12-1 pin AAPANEL)

Connect the audio cable from the optional ASUS iPanel to this for front panel audio control.
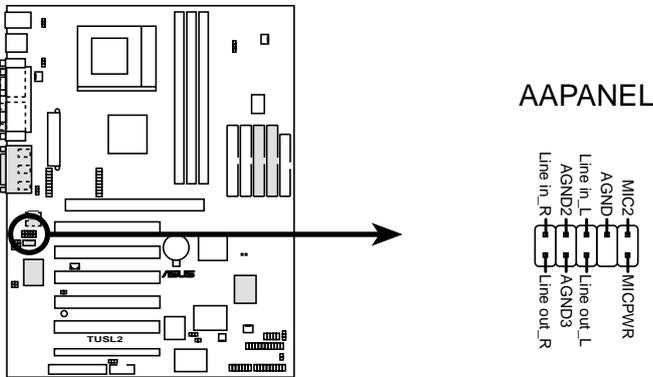
TUSL2 Audio Panel Connectors

18) Chassis Intrusion Lead (2-pin ACHA)

This lead is for a chassis designed for chassis intrusion detection. After-market toggle switches may also be installed to the chassis panel or on any removable components. Two wires should be available from the chassis to connect to this lead. When any chassis component is removed, the contact should open and the motherboard will record a chassis intrusion event. (The event can then be processed by software such as LDCM.) If the chassis intrusion lead is not used, a jumper cap must be placed over the pins to close the circuit.
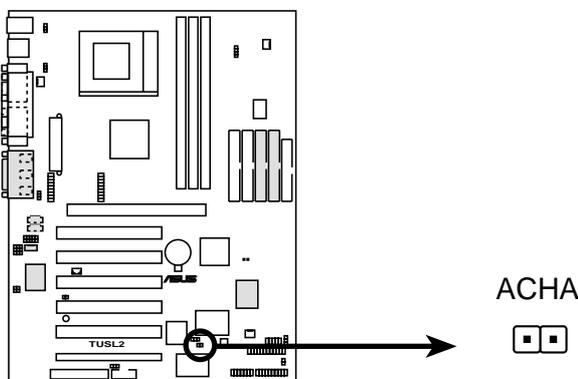
TUSL2 Chassis Open Alarm Lead

19) Wake-On-LAN Connector (3-pin WOL_CON)

This connector connects to a LAN card with a Wake-On-LAN output, such as the ASUS PCI-L101 Ethernet card (see *7. Appendix*). The connector powers up the system when a wakeup packet or signal is received through the LAN card.
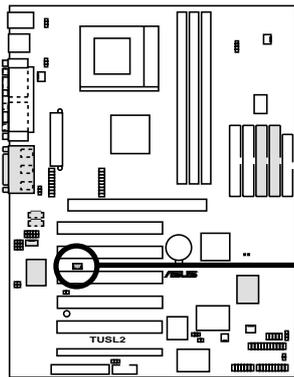
IMPORTANT: This feature requires that **Wake On LAN or PCI Modem** is enabled (see *4.5.1 Power Up Control*) and that **y**our system has an ATX power supply with at least 720mA +5V standby power.

IMPORTANT: Requires an ATX power supply with at least 720mA +5 volt standby power

WOL_CON

+5 Volt Standby   PME

Ground

TUSL2 Wake-On-LAN Connector
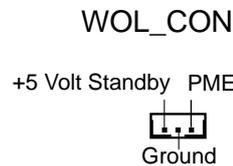
20) Wake-On-Ring Connector (2-pin WOR_CON)

This connector connects to internal modem cards with a Wake-On-Ring output. The connector powers up the system when a ringup packet or signal is received through the internal modem card. **NOTE:** For external modems, Wake-On-Ring is detected through the COM port.

IMPORTANT: This feature requires that **Wake On LAN or PCI Modem** is enabled (see *4.5.1 Power Up Control*) and that **y**our system has an ATX power supply with at least 720mA +5V standby power.

WOR_CON

Ring# Ground

2   1
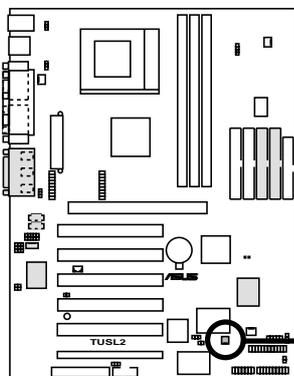
TUSL2 Wake-On-Ring Connector

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Connectors
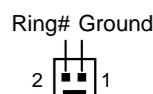
21) LCD-TV Headers (18-pin, 18-1 pin LCD TV)

These headers require optional modules for LCD or TV output.

LCDTV

TUSL2 LCD-TV Headers

+5V	+5V	
PCIRST#		
	GND	
DD10	DD11	
GND	DD9	
DD8	DD7	
DD6	GND	
CLKOUT0	DD5	
GND	CLKOUT1	

+1.8V	LTVCL	
LTVDA	+3V	
GND	ROMSEN	
BLANK	TVVSYNC	
	GND	
TVHSYNC	DD4	
GND	DD3	
DD2	DD1	
DD0	GND	
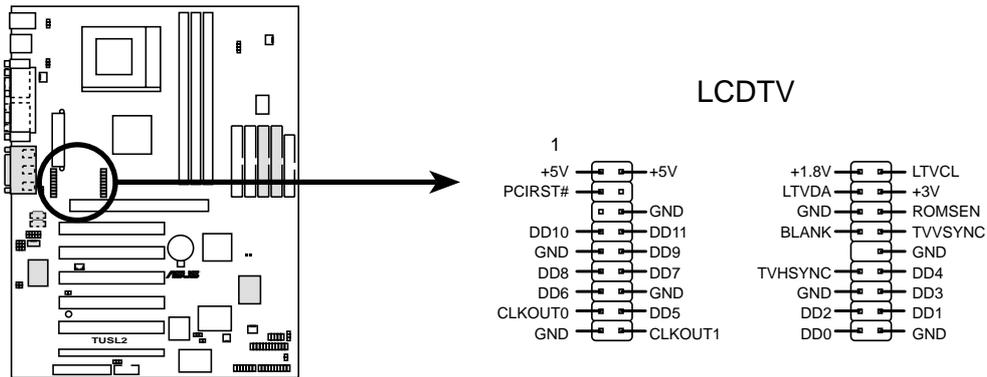
22) USB Header (10-1 pin USB23)

If the USB Ports on the back panels are inadequate,one USB header is available for two additional USB ports. Connect the 10-pin ribbon cables from the pro-vided 2-port USB connector set to the two midboard 10-pin USB headers and mount the USB connector set to an open slot on your chassis.

USB23
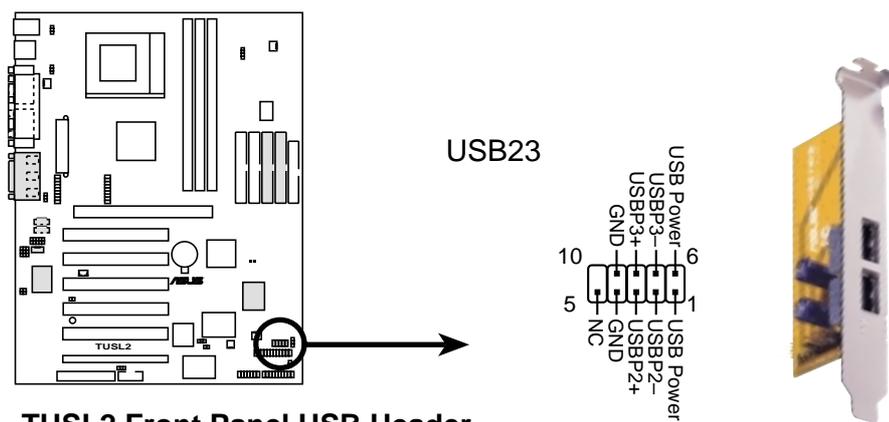
TUSL2 Front Panel USB Header

23) ASUS SmartCard Connector (10-1 pin SMARTCON)

This connector attaches to an optional SmartCard reader device. The SmartCard reader accesses data on the memory chip of PC/SC SmartCards.
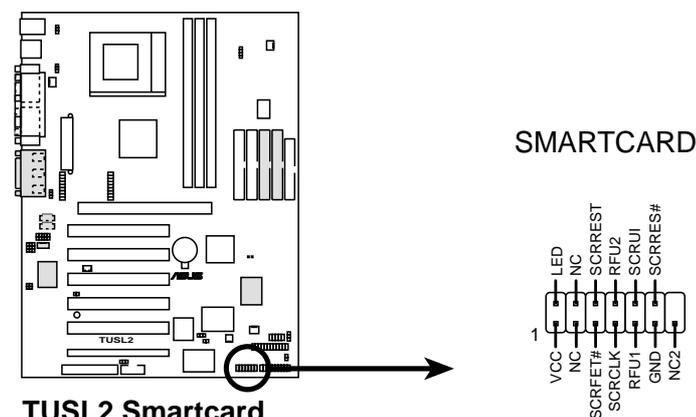
SMARTCARD

TUSL2 Smartcard

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24) ATX Power Supply Connector (20-pin block ATXPWR)

This connector connects to an 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 your ATX power supply (minimum recommended wattage: 200 watts; 235W for a fully-configured system) can supply at least 20 amperes on the +5-volt lead and at least 10mA (750mA recommended) on the +5-volt standby lead (+5VSB). Your system may become unstable/unreliable and may experience difficulty in powering up if your power supply is inadequate. For Wake-On-LAN support, your ATX power supply must supply at least 750mA +5VSB.

+12.0 Volts	+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	-12.0 Volts
+3.3 Volts	+3.3 Volts
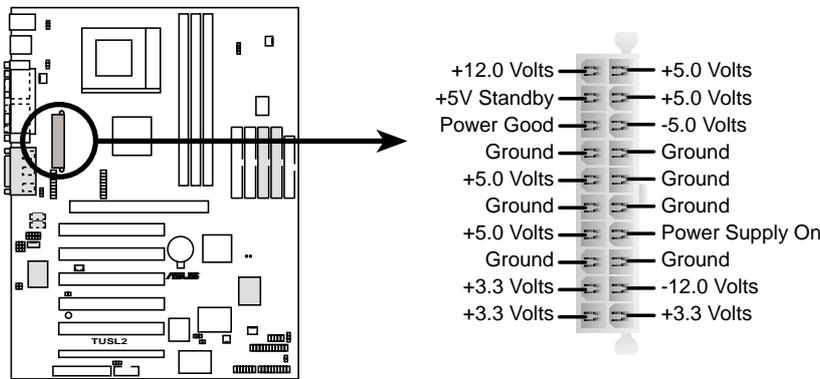
TUSL2 ATX Power Connector

25) Power Supply Thermal Sensor Connector (2-pin JTPWR)

If you have a power supply with thermal monitoring, connect its thermal sensor cable to this connector.

JTPWR

Power Supply
Thermal Sensor
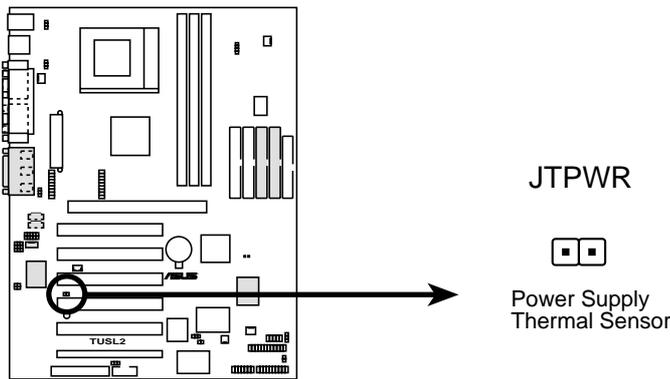
TUSL2 Thermal Sensor Connector

The following is for items 26–32
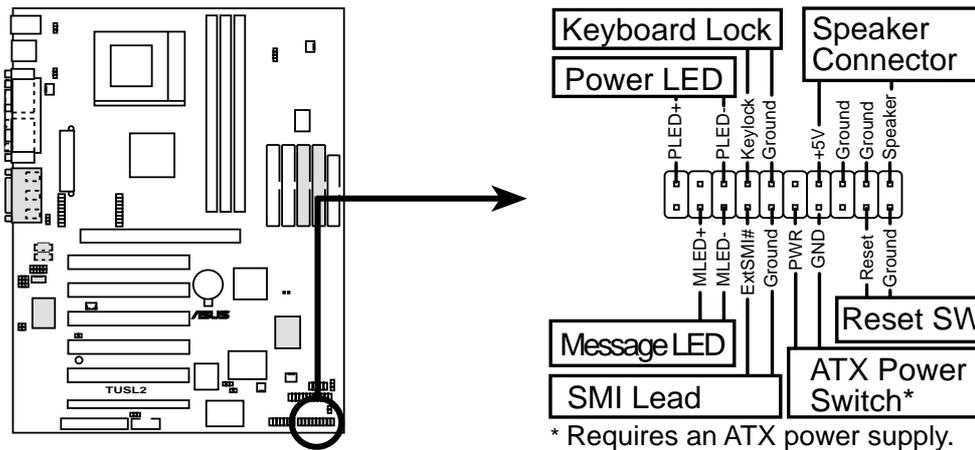
TUSL2 System Panel Connectors

26) System Power LED Lead (3-1 pin PWRLED)

This 3-1 pin connector connects the system power LED, which lights when the system is powered on and blinks when it is in sleep mode.

27) Keyboard Lock Switch Lead (2-pin KEYLOCK)

This 2-pin connector connects to the case-mounted key switch to allow keyboard locking.

28) System Warning Speaker Connector (4-pin SPEAKER)

This 4-pin connector connects to the case-mounted speaker. Two sources (LINE_OUT and SPEAKER) will allow you to hear system beeps and warnings. Only SPEAKER will allow you to hear system beeps before the integrated audio has been properly initialized.

29) System Message LED Lead (2-pin MSG.LED)

This indicates whether a message has been received from a fax/modem. The LED will remain lit when there is no signal and blink when there is data received. This function requires an ACPI OS and driver support.

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

This allows the user to manually place the system into a suspend mode or "Green" mode, where system activity is decreased to save electricity and expand the life of certain components when the system is not in use. This 2-pin connector connects to the case-mounted suspend switch.

31) ATX Power Switch Lead (2-pin PWRSW)

The system power is controlled by a momentary switch connected to this lead. Pressing the button once will switch the system between ON and SOFT OFF. Pushing the switch while in the ON mode for more than 4 seconds will turn the system off. The system power LED shows the status of the system's power.

32) Reset Switch Lead (2-pin RESET)

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 to prolong the life of the system's power supply.

3.9 Starting Up the First Time

1. After all connections are made, close the system case cover.

2. Be sure that all switches are off (in some systems, marked with ○), and the power input voltage is set to comply with the standard used in your country (220V-240V or 110-120V).

3. Connect the power supply cord into the power supply located on the back of your system case according to your system user's manual.

4. Connect the power cord into a power outlet that is equipped with a surge protector.

5. You may then turn on your devices in the following order:
   a. Your monitor
   b. External SCSI devices (starting with the last device on the chain)
   c. Your system power. For ATX power supplies, you need to switch on the power supply as well as press the ATX power switch on the front of the case.

6. The power LED on the front panel of the system case will light. For ATX power supplies, the system LED will light when the ATX power switch is pressed. The LED on the monitor may light up or switch between orange and green after the system's if it complies with "green" standards or if it has a power standby feature. The system will then run power-on tests. While the tests are running, the BIOS will alarm beeps or additional messages will appear on the screen. If you do not see anything within 30 seconds from the time you turn on the power, the system may have failed a power-on test. Recheck your jumper settings and connections or call your retailer for assistance.

Award BIOS Beep Codes

Beep	Meaning
One short beep when displaying logo	No error during POST
Long beeps in an endless loop	No DRAM installed or detected
One long beep followed by three short beeps	Video card not found or video card memory bad
High frequency beeps when system is working	CPU overheated System running at a lower frequency

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7. During power-on, hold down <Delete> to enter BIOS setup. Follow the instructions in *4. BIOS SETUP*.

* **Powering Off your computer:** You must first exit or shut down your operating system before switching off the power switch. For ATX power supplies, you can press the ATX power switch after exiting or shutting down your operating system. If you use Windows 9X, click the **Start** button, click **Shut Down**, and then click **Shut down the computer?** The power supply should turn off after Windows shuts down.

   NOTE: The message "You can now safely turn off your computer" will not appear when shutting down with ATX power supplies.

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4.1 Managing and Updating Your BIOS

4.1.1 Upon First Use of the Computer System

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 floppy disk. **DO NOT** copy AUTOEXEC.BAT & 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 just created boot disk.

   NOTE: AFLASH works only in DOS mode. It will not work with DOS prompt in Windows and will not work with certain memory drivers that may be loaded when you boot from your hard drive. It is recommended that you reboot using a floppy.

3. Reboot your computer from the floppy disk. **NOTE:** BIOS setup must specify "Floppy" as the first item in the boot sequence.

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

IMPORTANT! If "unknown" is displayed 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.
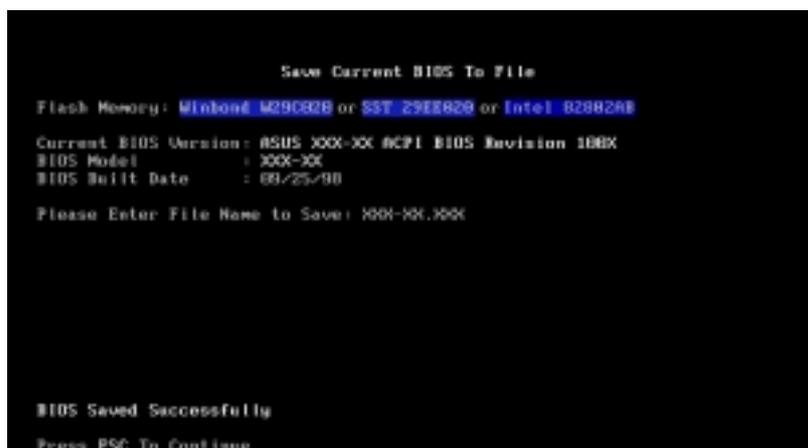
6. Type a filename and the path, for example, **A:\XXX-XX.XXX** and then
   press <Enter>.

4.1.2 Updating BIOS Procedures

WARNING! Only update your BIOS if you have problems with your mother-
board and you know that the new BIOS revision will solve your problems.
Careless updating can result in your motherboard having more problems!

1. Download an updated ASUS BIOS file from the Internet (WWW or
   FTP) (see ASUS CONTACT INFORMATION on page 3 for details)
   and save to the disk you created earlier.
2. Boot from the disk you created earlier.
3. At the "A:\" prompt, type **AFLASH** and then press <Enter>.
4. At the **Main Menu**, type **2** and 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**, and then press <Enter>.
   NOTE: To cancel this operation, press <Enter>.
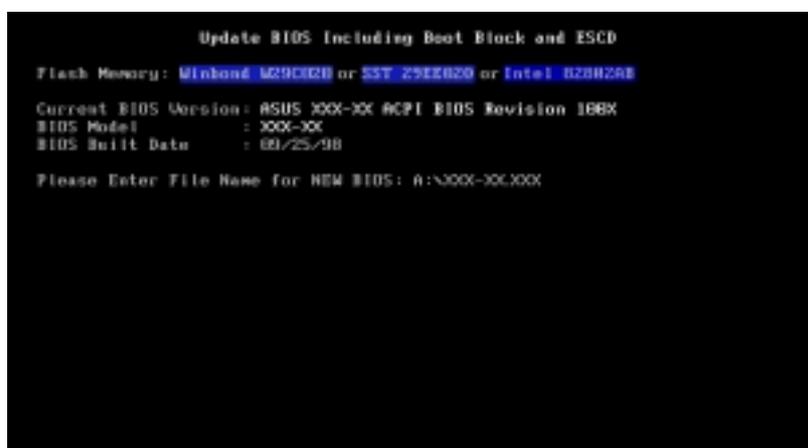
6. When prompted to confirm the BIOS update, press **Y** to start the update.

7. The utility starts to program the new BIOS information into the flash ROM. The boot block will be updated automatically only when necessary. This will minimize the chance that a failed update will prevent your system from booting up. When the programming is finished, *Flashed Successfully* will be displayed.

NOTE: When you see the message "Boot Block is different", you may still press <Y> to update the BIOS. Yet if the update fails, your system will run a greater risk of boot failure depending on whether the boot block is damaged or not.

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8. Follow the onscreen instructions to continue.

WARNING! If you encounter problems while updating the new BIOS, DO NOT turn off your system since this might prevent your system from booting up. Just repeat the process, and if the problem still persists, update the original BIOS file you saved to disk above. If the Flash Memory Writer utility was not able to successfully update a complete BIOS file, your system may not be able to boot up. If this happens, your system will need servicing.

4.2 BIOS Setup Program

This motherboard supports a programmable EEPROM that can be updated using the provided utility as described in *4.1 Managing and Updating Your BIOS*.

The utility is used if you are installing a motherboard, reconfiguring your system, or prompted to "**Run Setup**". This section describes how to configure your system using this utility.

Even if you are not prompted to use the Setup program, at some time in the future you may want to change the configuration of your computer. For example, you may want to enable the Security Password Feature or make changes to the power management settings. It will then be necessary 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. This appears during the Power-On Self Test (POST). Press <Delete> to call up the Setup utility. If you are a little bit late in pressing the mentioned key, POST will continue with its test routines, thus preventing you from calling up Setup. If you still need to call Setup, 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 again. But do so only if the first two methods fail.

The Setup program has been 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.

To access the BIOS Setup program, press the <Delete> key after the computer has run through its POST.

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Program Information

NOTE: Because the BIOS software is constantly being updated, the following BIOS screens and descriptions are for reference purposes only and may not reflect your BIOS screens exactly.

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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 specify how 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 you will notice 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 alternates and 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
← or → (keypad arrow)	Selects the menu item to the left or right
↑ or ↓ (keypad 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

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General Help

In addition to the Item Specific Help window, the BIOS setup program also provides a General Help screen. This screen can be called up from any menu by simply pressing <F1> or the <Alt> + <H> combination. The General Help screen lists the legend keys with their corresponding alternates and 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 in the left view) appears to the left of certain fields. This pointer indicates that a sub-menu can be launched from this field. A sub-menu contains additional options for a field parameter. To call up a sub-menu, simply move the highlight to the field and press <Enter>. The sub-menu will then immediately appear. Use the legend keys to enter values and move from field to field within a sub-menu just as you would within a menu. Use the <Esc> key to return to the main menu.
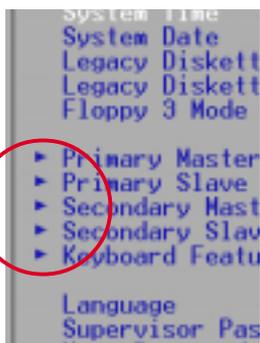
Take some time to familiarize yourself with each of the legend keys and their corresponding functions. Practice navigating through the various menus and sub-menus. If you accidentally make unwanted changes to any of the fields, use the set default hot key <F5>. While moving around through the Setup program, 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.

NOTE: The item heading in square brackets represents the default setting for that field.

4.3 Main Menu

When the Setup program is accessed, the following screen appears:

```
                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
  Main     Advanced    Power     Boot     Exit
                                              ┌─────────────────────────┐
                                              │   Item Specific Help    │
     System Time          [14:23:54]         │                         │
     System Date          [06/22/2000]       │                         │
     Legacy Diskette A    [1.44M, 3.5 in.]   │ <Enter> to select field;│
     Legacy Diskette B    [None]             │ <+>,<-> to change value.│
     Floppy 3 Mode Support [Disabled]        │                         │
                                              │                         │
   ► 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     128MB              │                         │
                                              └─────────────────────────┘
  F1   Help    ↑↓  Select Item    -/+   Change Values    F5   Setup Defaults
  ESC  Exit    ←→  Select Menu    Enter Select ► Sub-Menu F10  Save and Exit
```

System Time [XX:XX:XX]

Sets your 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 your 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: (**100 year range). Use the <Tab> or <Shift> + <Tab> keys to move between the month, day, and year fields.

Legacy Diskette A [1.44M, 3.5 in.], Legacy Diskette B [None]

Sets the type of floppy drives 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. Floppy 3 Mode support will allow reading and writing of 1.2MB (as opposed to 1.44MB) on a 3.5-inch diskette. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Drive A] [Drive B] [Both]

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4.3.1 Primary & 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

   Multi-Sector Transfers [Maximum]
   SMART Monitoring       [Disabled]
   PIO Mode               [4]
   ULTRA DMA Mode         [2]

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

NOTE: Before attempting to configure a hard disk drive, make sure you have the configuration information supplied by the manufacturer of the drive. Incorrect settings may cause your system to not recognize the installed hard disk. To allow the BIOS to detect the drive type automatically, select [Auto].

Type [Auto]
Select [Auto] to automatically detect an IDE hard disk drive. If automatic detection is successful, the correct values will be filled in for the remaining fields on this sub-menu. If automatic detection fails, your hard disk drive may be too old or too new. You can try updating your BIOS or enter the IDE hard disk drive parameters manually.

NOTE: After the IDE hard disk drive information has been entered into BIOS, new IDE hard disk drives must be partitioned (such as with FDISK) and then formatted before data can be read from and write on. Primary IDE hard disk drives must have its partition set to *active* (also possible with FDISK).

Other options for the **Type** field are:
——————————————————————————————————
[None] - to disable IDE devices

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IMPORTANT: If your hard disk was already formatted on an older previous system, incorrect parameters may be detected. You will need to enter the correct parameters manually or use low-level format if you do not need the data stored on the hard disk.

If the parameters listed differ from the ones used when the disk was formatted, the disk will not be readable. If the auto-detected parameters do not match the ones that should be used for your disk, you should enter the correct ones manually by setting [User Type HDD].

[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
   Maximum LBA Capacity    25590MB

   Multi-Sector Transfers  [Maximum]
   SMART Monitoring        [Disabled]
   PIO Mode                [4]
   ULTRA DMA Mode          [2]



 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 your drive. Refer to your drive documentation or look on the drive for this information. If no drive is installed or if you are removing a drive and not replacing it, select **[None]**.

Translation Method [LBA]
Select the hard disk drive type in this field. When Logical Block Addressing is enabled, 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 greater than 504MB in storage capacity. Configuration options: [LBA] [LARGE] [Normal] [Match Partition Table] [Manual]

Cylinders
This field configures the number of cylinders. Refer to your drive documentation to determine the correct value to enter into this field. **NOTE:** To make changes to this field, the **Type** field must be set to [User Type HDD] and the **Translation Method** field must be set to [Manual].

Head

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

Sector

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

CHS Capacity

This field shows the drive's maximum CHS capacity calculated automatically by the BIOS from the drive information you entered.

Maximum LBA Capacity

This field shows the drive's maximum LBA capacity calculated automatically by the BIOS from the drive information you entered.

Multi-Sector Transfers [Maximum]

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

SMART Monitoring [Disabled]

This allows the enabling or disabling of the S.M.A.R.T. (Self-Monitoring, Analysis and Reporting Technology) system which utilizes internal hard disk drive monitoring technology. This feature is normally disabled because system resources used in this 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 successively increased 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. **NOTE:** To make changes to this field, the **Type** field must be set to [User Type HDD]. Configuration options: [0] [1] [2] [3] [4] [Disabled]

Other options for "Type:" are:

[CD-ROM] - for IDE CD-ROM drives
[LS-120] - for LS-120 compatible floppy disk drives
[ZIP-100] - for ZIP-100 compatible disk drives
[MO] - for IDE magneto optical disk drives
[Other ATAPI Device] - for IDE devices not listed here

After using the legend keys to make your selections on this sub-menu, press the <Esc> key to exit back to the Main menu. When the Main menu appears, you will notice that the drive size appear in the field for the hard disk drive that you just configured.

4.3.2 Keyboard Features

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  Main

          Keyboard Features                    Item Specific Help

  Boot Up NumLock Status      [On]          Select Power-on state
  Keyboard Auto-Repeat Rate   [12/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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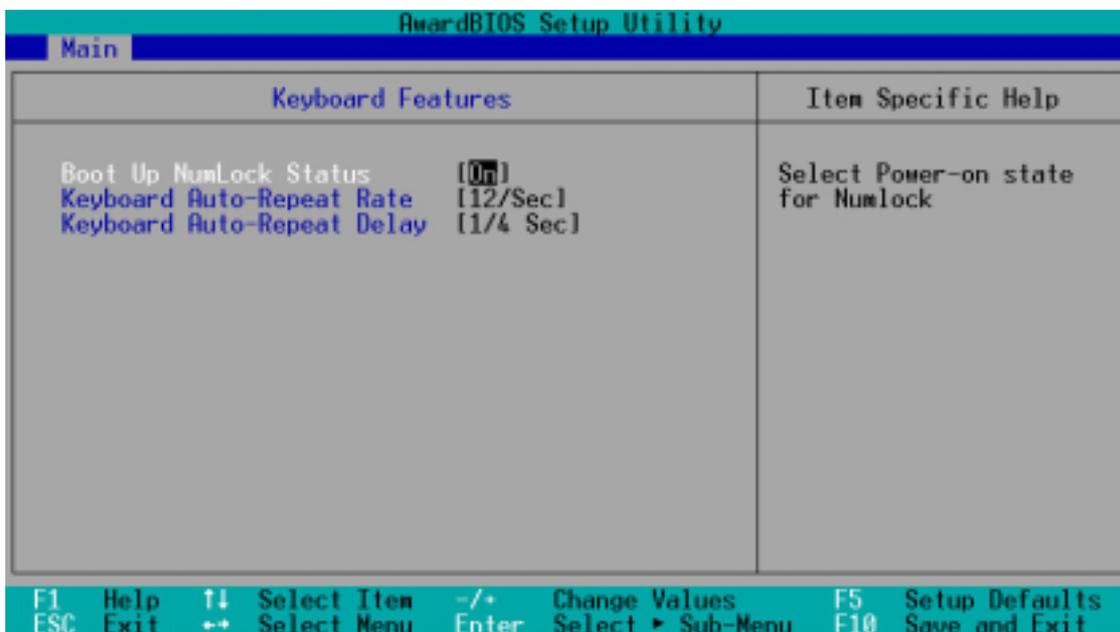
Boot Up NumLock Status [On]
This field enables users to activate the Number Lock function upon system boot. Configuration options: [Off] [On]

Keyboard Auto-Repeat Rate [12/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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Language [English]

This allows selection of the BIOS' displayed language. Currently only English is available.

Supervisor Password [Disabled] / User Password [Disabled]

These fields allow you to set the passwords. To set the password, highlight the appropriate field and press <Enter>. Type in a password and press <Enter>. You can type up to eight alphanumeric characters. Symbols and other keys are ignored. To confirm the password, type the password again and press the <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 will appear. Press <Enter> and the password will be 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. The passwords are not case sensitive. In other words, it makes no difference whether you enter a password using upper or lowercase letters. The BIOS Setup program allows you to specify two separate passwords: a Supervisor password and a User password. When disabled, anyone may access all BIOS Setup program functions. When enabled, the Supervisor password is required for entering the BIOS Setup program and having full access to all configuration fields.

Forgot the Password?

If you forgot the password, you can clear the password by erasing the CMOS Real Time Clock (RTC) RAM. The RAM data containing the password information is powered by the onboard button cell battery. To erase the RTC RAM: (1) Unplug your computer, (2) Short the solder points, (3) Turn ON your computer, (4) Hold down <Delete> during bootup and enter BIOS setup to re-enter user preferences.

TUSL2 Clear RTC RAM

Short solder points
to Clear CMOS
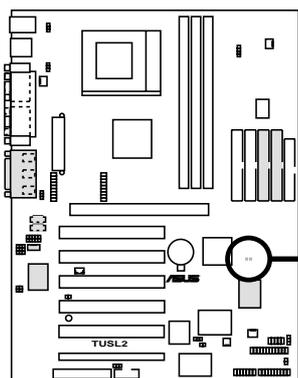
Halt On [All Errors]

This field determines which types of errors 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 display-only field displays the amount of conventional memory detected by the system during bootup. You do not need to make changes to this field.

4.4 Advanced Menu

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                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
   Main    Advanced    Power    Boot    Exit

                                        ┌─────────────────────┐
 CPU Internal Frequency       [ Manual] │  Item Specific Help │
 CPU Frequency Multiple       [ 4.0x]   │                     │
 FSB:SDRAM:PCI Freq. Ratio    [ 66:100:33]│ To make changes to the│
 FSB/SDRAM/PCI Freq. (MHz)    [66/100/33]│ first 5 fields, the │
 CPU Vcore                    [1.75V]   │ motherboard must be set│
 CPU Level 1 Cache            [Enabled] │ to jumperfree mode.  │
 CPU Level 2 Cache            [Disabled]│                     │
 CPU Level 2 Cache ECC Check  [Enabled] │ To set the following 3│
 Processor Serial Number      [Disabled]│ fields, the CPU Internal│
 BIOS Update                  [Auto]    │ Frequency must be set to│
 PS/2 Mouse Function Control  [Disabled]│ [Manual].           │
 USB Legacy Support                     │                     │
 OS/2 Onboard Memory > 64M              │                     │
 ► Chip Configuration                   │                     │
 ► I/O Device Configuration             │                     │
 ► PCI Configuration                    │                     │
 ► Shadow Configuration                 └─────────────────────┘

 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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CPU Internal Frequency
In JumperFree™ Mode, this field allows you to select the internal frequency of your CPU. Select [Manual] if you want to make changes to the subsequent 2 fields. Note that selecting a frequency higher than the CPU manufacturer recommends may cause the system to hang or crash. See **System Hangup** on page 60.

CPU Frequency Multiple (When CPU Internal Frequency is set to [Manual])
This field sets the frequency multiple between the CPU's *internal* frequency and *external* frequency. In JumperFree™ Mode, when **CPU Internal Frequency** is set to [Manual], this must be set in conjunction with **FSB/ SDRAM Freq. (MHz)** to match the internal frequency of your CPU. Configuration options vary according to the external frequency of your CPU.

FSB:SDRAM:PCI Freq. Ratio (When CPU Internal Frequency is set to [Manual])
This field determines the frequency ratio among the Front Side Bus, SDRAM, and PCI bus. You may set the memory clock frequency in synchronous or asynchronous mode with respect to the Front Side Bus frequency. Configuration options: [66:100:33] [100:100:33] [133:133:33] [133:100:33]

FSB/SDRAM/PCI Freq. (MHz)
(When CPU Internal Frequency is set to [Manual])
According to the previous setup field **FSB:SDRAM:PCI Freq. Ratio**, this field offers 32 sets of Front Side Bus, SDRAM, and PCI bus frequencies for you to choose.

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133/133/33
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148/148/37
149/149/37
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Available options when FSB:SDRAM:PCI Freq. Ratio is set to [133:133:33]
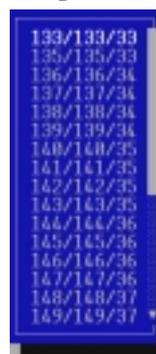
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CPU Vcore
In JumperFree mode, this field displays the core voltage supplied to the CPU. If you want to set it manually, always refer to the CPU documentation. The picture shown here provides only an example of possible Vcore ranges.
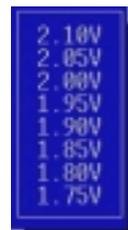
CPU Level 1 Cache, CPU Level 2 Cache [Enabled]
These fields allow you to choose from the default of [Enabled] or choose [Disabled] to turn on or off the CPU's Level 1 and Level 2 built-in cache. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

CPU Level 2 Cache ECC Check [Disabled]
This function controls the ECC capability in the CPU level 2 cache. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

BIOS Update [Enabled]
This functions as an update loader integrated into the BIOS to supply the processor with the required data. In the default position of [Enabled], the BIOS will load the update on all processors during system bootup. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

PS/2 Mouse Function Control [Auto]
The default of [Auto] allows the system to detect a PS/2 mouse on startup. If detected, IRQ12 will be used for the PS/2 mouse. IRQ12 will be reserved for expansion cards only if a PS/2 mouse is not detected. [Enabled] will always reserve IRQ12, whether on startup a PS/2 mouse is detected or not. 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 on startup. If detected, USB controller legacy mode will be enabled. If not detected, USB controller legacy mode will be disabled. When this field is set to [Disabled], USB controller legacy mode is disabled no matter whether you are using a USB device or not. 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 this on [Disabled]. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

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Notes for JumperFree Mode
CPU Upgrade/Reinstallation
To ensure that your system can enter BIOS setup after the processor has been changed or reinstalled, your system will start up running at a bus speed of 66MHz and a fail-safe CPU internal frequency (4x66MHz). It will then automatically take you to the Advanced menu with a popup menu of all the officially possible CPU internal frequencies.
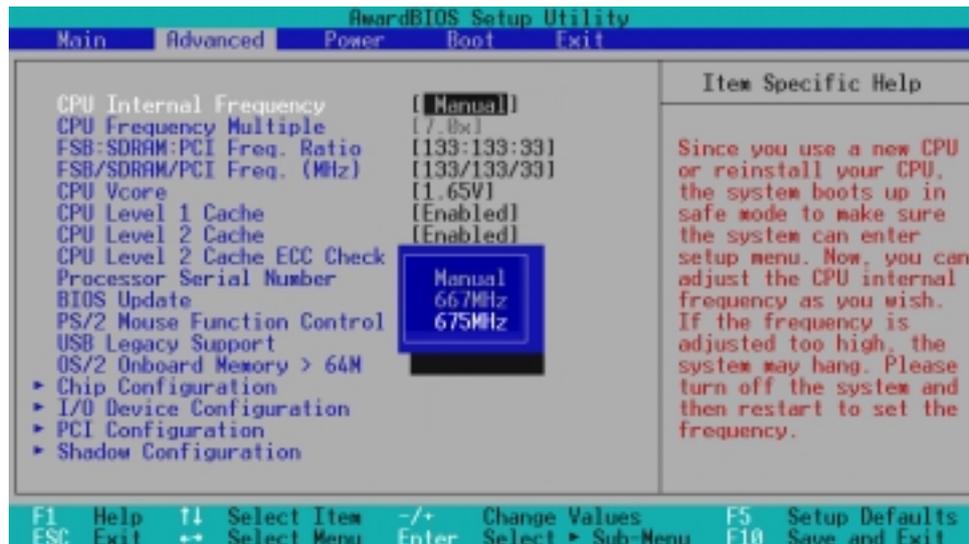
System Hangup
If your system crashes or hangs due to improper frequency settings, power OFF your system and restart. The system will start up in safe mode running at a bus speed of 66MHz and enter BIOS setup.
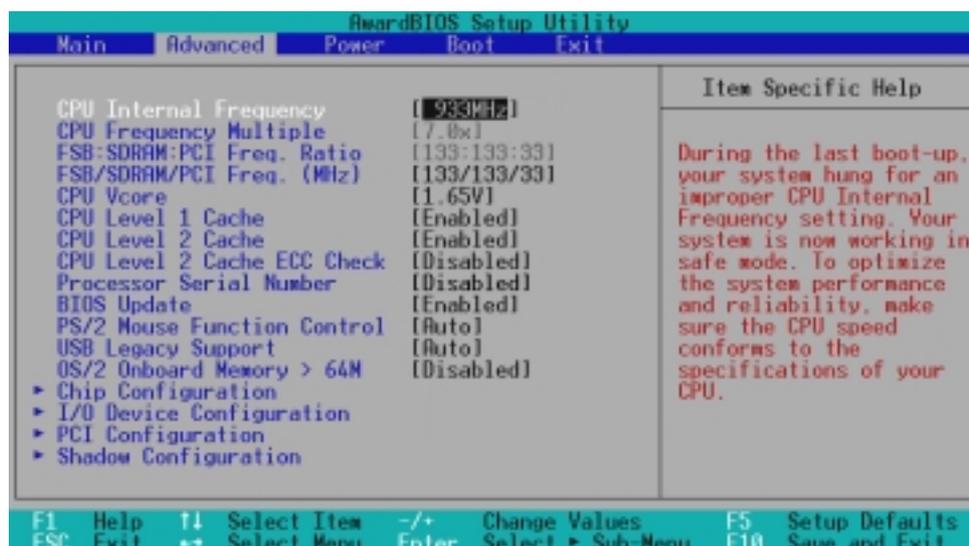
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4.4.1 Chip Configuration

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    Advanced

           Chip Configuration                    Item Specific Help

   SDRAM Capability              PC133          <Enter> to select SDRAM
   SDRAM Operating Mode          PC100          configuration.
   SDRAM Timing                  [By SPD]       [By SPD] is recommended.
   SDRAM CAS Latency             [3T]           [User Define] allows you
   SDRAM RAS to CAS Delay        [3T]           to set each
   SDRAM RAS Precharge Time      [3T]           configuration on your
   SDRAM Cycle Time (Tras,Trc)   [7T,9T]        own.
   SDRAM Page Closing Policy     [One Bank]
   CPU Latency Timer             [Enabled]
   Command Per Cycle             [Enabled]
   Onboard VGA                   [Enabled]
   NTSC/PAL Preference           [NTSC]
   Synchronous Display           [Enabled]
   Display Device Priority       [CRT,Flat]
   Graphics Window Size          [64MB]
   AGP Capability                [4X Mode]
   Memory Hole At 15M-16M        [Disabled]
   PCI 2.1 Support               [Enabled]
   High Priority PCI Mode        [Enabled]
   Onboard PCI IDE Enable        [Both]
   SDRAM Data Driving Mode       [Normal]

   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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(Scroll down to see more items as shown.)

SDRAM Capability

This field displays the capability of the memory modules that you are using—either PC100 or PC133.

SDRAM Operating Mode

This field displays the current SDRAM operating mode (PC100 or PC133) according to the SDRAM frequency you configure in the **Advanced** menu.

SDRAM Timing [By SPD]

This sets the optimal timings for items 4-7, depending on the memory modules that you are using. The default setting [By SPD] configures items 4-7 by reading the contents in the SPD (Serial Presence Detect) device. The EEPROM on the memory module stores critical parameter information about the module, such as memory type, size, speed, voltage interface, and module banks. Configuration options: [User Define] [By SPD]

NOTE: The following 3 fields will only be adjustable when **SDRAM Configuration** is set to [User Define].

SDRAM CAS Latency

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

SDRAM RAS to CAS Delay

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

SDRAM RAS Precharge Time

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

SDRAM Cycle Time (Tras, Trc) [6T, 8T]

This feature controls the number of SDRAM clocks used for SDRAM parameters Tras and Trc. Tras specifies the minimum clocks required between active command and precharge command. Trc specifies the minimum clocks required between active command and re-active command. Configuration options: [5T, 7T] [6T, 8T]

SDRAM Page Closing Policy [One Bank]

This feature controls that after a page miss whether the Graphics and Memory Controller Hub (GMCH) will issue "precharge only the bank" or "precharge all" command to a specific opened SDRAM bank. Configuration options: [One Bank] [All Banks]

CPU Latency Timer [Enabled]

This controls the GMCH's response to CPU deferrable cycles. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Command Per Cycle [Enabled]

When onboard VGA is used, CPU can help to gain graphics performance by increasing proper SDRAM cycles combinations. Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

Onboard VGA [Enabled]

Leave on default setting if you want to use the onboard VGA. Select [Disabled] if you want to use an add-on AGP or PCI VGA card. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

NOTE: The following 3 fields will only be displayed when the **Onboard VGA** is set to [Enabled].

NTSC/PAL Preference [NTSC]

This selection determines the type of video translation interface used by a particular VCR. Configuration options: [NTSC] [PAL]

Synchronous Display [Enabled]

This option activates synchronous display. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Display Device Priority [CRT, Flat]

This sets the priority of the monitors connected to the PC. Configuration options: [CRT, Flat Panel, TV Out] [Flat Panel, CRT, TV Out] [CRT, TV Out, Flat Panel] [Flat Panel, TV Out, CRT] [TV Out, Flat Panel, CRT]

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 cannot support this feature; otherwise your system may not boot. Configuration options: [UC] [USWC]

Graphics Window Size [64MB]

This feature allows you to select the size of mapped memory for AGP graphic data. Configuration options: [64MB] [32MB]

AGP Capability [4X Mode]

This motherboard supports the AGP 4x interface, which transfers video data at 1066MB/s. Since AGP 4x is backward-compatible, you may leave this on the default setting of [4X Mode] even when you are using an AGP 2x video card. When set to [2X Mode], the AGP interface will only provide a peak data throughput of 533MB/s even if you are using an AGP 4x card. Configuration options: [2X Mode] [4X Mode]

Memory Hole At 15M-16M [Disabled]

This field allows you to reserve an address space for ISA devices that require it. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

PCI 2.1 Support [Enabled]

This function allows you to enable or disable PCI 2.1 features including passive release and delayed transaction. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

High Priority PCI Mode [Disabled]

This field allows you to give PCI slot 1 a higher priority. You may want to enable this setting if you are using an IEEE-1394 PCI card. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Onboard PCI IDE Enable [Both]

You can select to enable the primary IDE channel, secondary IDE channel, both, or disable both channels. Configuration options: [Both] [Disabled]

SDRAM Data Driving Mode [Normal]

Leave on default setting. Configuration options: [Normal] [Strong]

4.4.2 I/O Device Configuration

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        Advanced

       I/O Device Configuration              Item Specific Help

   Onboard AC97 Modem Controller   [Auto]    <Enter> to select.
   Onboard AC97 Audio Controller   [Auto]

   Onboard FDC Swap A & B          [No Swap]
   Floppy Disk Access Control      [R/W]

   Onboard Serial Port 1           [3F8H/IRQ4]
   Onboard Serial Port 2           [2F8H/IRQ3]
   UART2 Use as                    [COM Port]

   Onboard Parallel Port           [378H/IRQ7]
   Parallel Port Mode              [ECP+EPP]
   ECP DMA Select                  [3]

   Onboard CIR I/O                 [Disabled]


   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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(Scroll down to see more items as shown.)

Onboard AC97 Modem Controller [Auto]
Onboard AC97 Audio Controller [Auto]
[Auto] allows the motherboard's BIOS to detect whether you are using any modem/audio device. If a modem/audio device is detected, the onboard modem/audio controller will be enabled; if no modem/audio device is detected, the onboard modem/audio controller will be disabled. If you have conflicts with the onboard controller, you may set the appropriate field to [Disabled]. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Auto]

Onboard FDC Swap A & B [No Swap]
This field allows you to reverse the hardware drive letter assignments of your floppy disk drives. Configuration options: [No Swap] [Swap AB]

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

Onboard Serial Port 1 [3F8H/IRQ4]
Onboard Serial Port 2 [2F8H/IRQ3]
These fields allow you to set the addresses for the onboard serial connectors. Serial Port 1 and Serial Port 2 must have different addresses. Configuration options: [3F8H/IRQ4] [2F8H/IRQ3] [3E8H/IRQ4] [2E8H/IRQ10] [Disabled]

UART2 Use [COM Port]
When IR is enabled, this field activates the onboard standard infrared feature and sets the second serial UART to support the infrared module connector on the motherboard. If your system already has a second serial port connected to the onboard COM2 connector, it will no longer work if you enable the infrared feature. To support a Smart Card Reader, select Card Reader. Configuration options: [COM Port] [IR] [Card Read Read]

Onboard Parallel Port [378H/IRQ7]
This field sets the address of the onboard parallel port connector. If you disable this feature, **Parallel Port Mode** and **ECP DMA Select** configurations will not be 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 CIR I/O [Disabled]
This field sets the address of the onboard Consumer IR connector. Configuration options: [Disabled] [2E0-2E8H] [3E0-3E8H]

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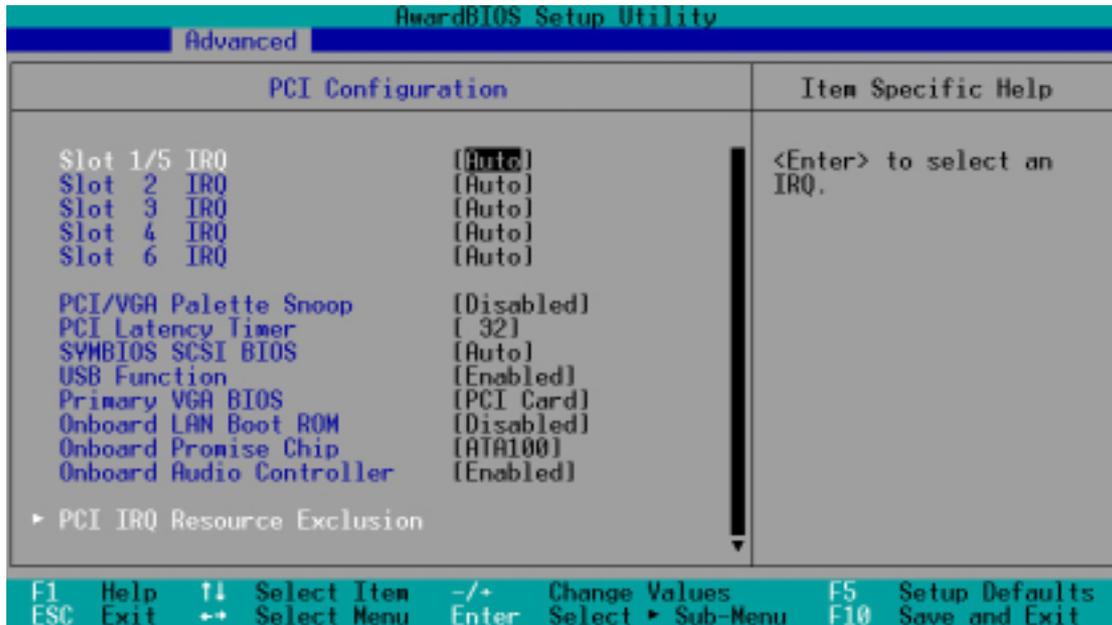
Slot 1/5, Slot 2, Slot 3, Slot 4, Slot 6 IRQ [Auto]

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

PCI/VGA Palette Snoop [Disabled]

Some nonstandard VGA cards, such as graphics accelerators or MPEG video cards, may not show colors properly. The setting [Enabled] should correct this problem. Otherwise, leave this on the default setting of [Disabled]. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

PCI Latency Timer [32]

Leave on default setting for best performance vs. stability.

SYMBIOS SCSI BIOS [Auto]

[Auto] allows the motherboard's BIOS to detect whether you have a Symbios SCSI controller. If the Symbios SCSI controller is detected, the motherboard's Symbios BIOS will be enabled; if no Symbios SCSI controller is detected, the onboard Symbios SCSI BIOS will be disabled.

[Disabled] will disable the motherboard's Symbios SCSI BIOS so that the BIOS on an add-on Symbios SCSI card can be used. If your Symbios SCSI card does not have a BIOS, the Symbios SCSI card will not function. Configuration options: [Auto] [Disabled]

USB Function [Enabled]

This motherboard supports Universal Serial Bus (USB) devices. Set to [Enabled] if you want to use USB devices. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Primary VGA BIOS Sequence [PCI Card]

If your computer has both PCI and AGP VGA controllers, this field allows you to select which of the controllers will act as your primary graphics controller. The default, [PCI Card], gives precedence to the PCI controller when detected. [AGP Card] uses the AGP controller as your primary controller. [Onboard] is for custom set ups. Configuration options: [PCI Card] [AGP Card] [Onboard]

Onboard LAN Boot Rom [Disabled]

If your computer has a PCI LAN controller, set this field to enabled. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Onboard Promise Chip [ATA100]

To enable the Promise IDE Controller for RAID 0 or 1, set to [RAID]. The default is for normal [ATA100] IDE control. Configuration options: [ATA100] [RAID] [Disabled]

Onboard Audio Controller [Enabled]

This field controls the onboard C-Media audio controller chipset. Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

PCI/PNP IRQ Resource Exclusion

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        PCI/PNP IRQ Resource Exclusion              Item Specific Help

        IRQ  3 Reserved    [No]                 Select [Yes] if this IRQ
        IRQ  4 Reserved    [No]                 is required by a legacy
        IRQ  5 Reserved    [No]                 card; otherwise, select
        IRQ  7 Reserved    [No]                 [No].
        IRQ  9 Reserved    [No]
        IRQ 10 Reserved    [No]
        IRQ 11 Reserved    [No]
        IRQ 12 Reserved    [No]
        IRQ 14 Reserved    [No]
        IRQ 15 Reserved    [No]




        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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IRQ XX Reserved [No]

These fields indicate whether or not the displayed IRQ for each field is being used by a specified device. The default value indicates that the displayed IRQ is not used. Configuration options: [No] [Yes]

4.4.4 Shadow Configuration
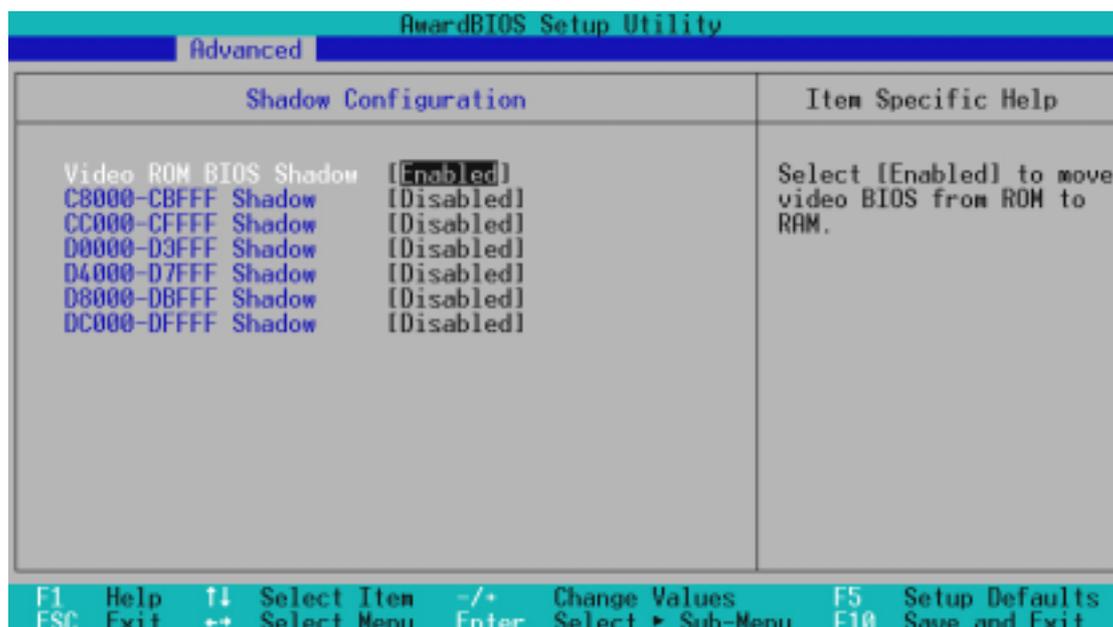
Video ROM BIOS Shadow [Enabled]

This field allows you to change the video BIOS location from ROM to RAM. Relocating to RAM enhances system performance, as information access is faster than the ROM. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

C8000-DFFFF Shadow [Disabled]

These fields are used for shadowing other expansion card ROMs. If you install other expansion cards with ROMs on them, you will need to know which addresses the ROMs use to shadow them specifically. Shadowing a ROM reduces the memory available between 640K and 1024K by the amount used for this purpose. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

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.

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                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
   Main     Advanced    Power     Boot     Exit
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│                                       │   Item Specific Help    │
│  Power Management      [User Define]  │                         │
│  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 Define]│
│  Suspend-to-RAM Capability [Disabled] │  to go to the suspend   │
│                                       │  mode entry below.      │
│  Suspend Mode          [Disabled]     │                         │
│  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 │
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Power Management [User Define]

This option must be enabled to use any of the automatic power saving features. If this menu item is set to [Disabled], power management features will not function regardless of other field settings on this menu. The [User Define] option allows you to make your own selections in the Power menu. When set to [Max Saving], system power will be conserved to its greatest amount. The **Suspend Mode** field will then be set to predefined value that ensures maximum power savings.

This field acts as the master control for the power management modes. [Max Saving] puts the system into power saving mode after a brief period of system inactivity; [Min Saving] is almost the same as [Max Saving] except that the system inactivity period is longer; [Disabled] disables the power saving features; [User Define] allows you to set power saving options according to your preference. Configuration options: [User Define] [Disabled] [Min Saving] [Max Saving]

IMPORTANT: Advanced Power Management (APM) should be installed to keep the system time updated when the computer enters suspend mode activated by the BIOS Power Management. For DOS environments, you need to add the statement, DEVICE=C:\DOS\POWER.EXE, to your CONFIG.SYS file. For Windows 3.x and Windows 95, you need to install Windows with the APM feature. For Windows 98 and later, APM is automatically installed. A battery and power cord icon labeled "Power Management" will appear in the "Control Panel." Choose "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 DPMS (Display Power Management System) 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. If set up in your system, your screen saver will not display with [Blank Screen] selected). [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]

This feature 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]

Suspend-to-RAM Capability [Disabled]

Suspend-to-RAM (STR) is an energy-saving feature. In Suspend-to-RAM state, all devices on the computer are turned off, except for the system RAM. Thus, the PC consumes less than 5 Watts of power. Select [Enabled] if your power supply can supply at least 720mA on the +5VSB lead to support the STR function. If the expansion cards you use on the motherboard do not support the STR function, you must leave this field on the default setting [Disabled]. **NOTE:** This field is only effective for Windows 98. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Suspend Mode [Disabled]

Sets the time period before the system goes into suspend mode. **NOTE:** This field is effective for DOS, Windows 9x, and Windows NT 4.0 environments. Configuration options: [Disabled] [1~2 Min] [2~3 Min]...[1 Hour]

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 will place the system in sleep mode. Regardless of the setting, holding the ATX switch for more than 4 seconds will power off the system. Configuration options: [Soft off] [Suspend]

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4.5.1 Power Up Control

```
                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
                         Power

       Power Up Control                    │    Item Specific Help

 AC PWR Loss Restart          [Disabled]   │  <Enter> to select
 PWR Up On External Modem Act: [Disabled]  │  whether or not to
 Wake On LAN or PCI Modem:     [Disabled]  │  restart the system after
 Wake On PS2 KB/PS2 Mouse/CIR  [Disabled]  │  AC power loss.
 Wake Up By Keyboard          [Space Bar]  │
 Wake On USB for STR State     [Disabled]  │

 Automatic Power Up            [Disabled]  │

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

AC PWR Loss Restart [Disabled]
This allows you to set whether you want your system to reboot after the power has been interrupted. [Disabled] leaves your system off and [Enabled] reboots your system. [Previous State] sets your system back to the state it is before the power interruption. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled] [Previous State]

PWR Up On External Modem Act [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. **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 will also cause the system to power on. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Wake On LAN or PCI Modem[Disabled]
Wake-On-LAN/PCI Modem allows your computer to be booted from another computer via a network by sending a wake-up frame or signal. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

IMPORTANT: This feature requires an optional network interface card with Wake-On-LAN and an ATX power supply with at least 720mA +5V standby power.

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Wake On PS2 KB/PS2 Mouse/CIR [Disabled]
Set this field to [Enabled] if you wish to use your PS2 keyboard, PS2 mouse, or consumer IR device to power up your computer. This feature requires an ATX power supply that can supply at least 300mA on the +5VSB lead. The default is set to [Disabled] because not all computers have the appropriate ATX power supply. Your computer will not power ON if you set this to [Enabled] and do not have the appropriate ATX power supply. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Wake Up By PS2 Keyboard [Space Bar]
When the previous setup item **Wake On PS2 KB/PS2 Mouse/CIR** is enabled, you may specify the key(s) to press to power up the computer. Configuration options: [Space Bar] [Ctrl-Esc] [Wakeup Key]

Wake On USB for S3 or S4 State [Disabled]
This field allows you to use your USB device/s, if any, to power up the computer from Suspend-to-RAM mode. This feature requires an ATX power supply that can supply at least 2A on the +5VSB lead. The default is set to [Disabled] because not all computers have the appropriate ATX power supply. Your computer will not power on if you set this to [Enabled] and do not have the appropriate ATX power supply. **NOTE:** This feature must be set in conjunction with *USB Device Wake Up* in *3.4 Motherboard Settings*. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

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]. **NOTE:** *Automatic Power Up* will not work if the system is powered down by operating systems, such as Windows 98, which have ACPI support enabled. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Everyday] [By Date]

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4.5.2 Hardware Monitor

```
                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
                          Power

          HardWare Monitor                   Item Specific Help

   MB Temperature        33°C/91°F           <Enter> to switch
   CPU Temperature       61°C/141°F          between monitoring or
   JTPWR Temperature    [Ignore]             ignoring.

   CPU Fan Speed         7670RPM
   Power Fan Speed       7500RPM
   Chassis Fan Speed     N/A

   VCORE Voltage          1.66V
   +3.3V Voltage          3.33V
   +5V   Voltage          5.00V
   +12V  Voltage         12.00V



   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 is able to detect the MB (motherboard) and CPU temperatures. Set to [Ignore] only if necessary.

JTPWR Temperature [Ignore] [xxxC/xxxF]
For additional onboard hardware monitoring, the JTPWR temperature is displayed if the lead is properly connected.

CPU Fan Speed [xxxxRPM]
Power Fan Speed [xxxxRPM]
**Chassis Fan Speed [xxxxRPM]**
The onboard hardware monitor is able to detect the CPU, power supply, and chassis fan speeds in rotations per minute (RPM). The presence of the fans is automatically detected. Set to [Ignore] only if necessary.

VCORE1 Voltage, +3.3V Voltage, +5V Voltage, +12V Voltage [xx.xV]
The onboard hardware monitor is able to detect the voltage output by the onboard voltage regulators. Set to [Ignore] only if necessary.

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

4.6 Boot Menu

```
                    AwardBIOS Setup Utility
  Main     Advanced     Power     Boot     Exit

                                          ┌─────────────────────┐
   1. Removable Device    [Legacy Floppy] │ Item Specific Help  │
   2. IDE Hard Drive      [None]          │                     │
   3. ATAPI CD-ROM        [ASUS CD-S500/A]│ Boot Sequence:      │
   4. Other Boot Device   [INT18 Device (Networ]                │
                                          │ <Enter> to select the│
   SCSI/Promise Boot Sequence [Promise/SCSI]│ device.           │
                                          │                     │
   Plug & Play O/S        [No]            │ To select the boot  │
   Boot Virus Detection   [Enabled]       │ sequence, use the up or│
   Quick Power On Self Test [Enabled]     │ down arrow. Press <+> to│
   Boot Up Floppy Seek    [Enabled]       │ move the device up the│
   Full Screen Logo       [Enabled]       │ list, or <-> to move it│
                                          │ down the list.      │
                                          └─────────────────────┘

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

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] [LS120] [ZIP-100] [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/Onboard ATA Boot Device] [INT18 Device (Network)]

SCSI/Promise Boot Sequence [Promise/SCSI]

This selection determines the priority for booting from SCSI or the on-board Promise IDE controller. Configuration options: [Promise/SCSI] [SCSI/Promise]

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. When a non-PnP OS is installed or you want to prevent reassigning of interrupt settings, select the default setting of [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]

Full Screen Logo [Enabled]

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

4.7 Exit Menu

Once you have made all of your selections from the various menus in the Setup program, you should 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                 Exit setup utility and
  Load Setup Defaults                     save your changes to
  Discard Changes                         CMOS.
  Save Changes






  F1   Help    ↑↓  Select Item   -/+   Change Values      F5   Setup Defaults
  ESC  Exit    ←→  Select Menu    Enter Select ► Sub-Menu  F10  Save and Exit
```
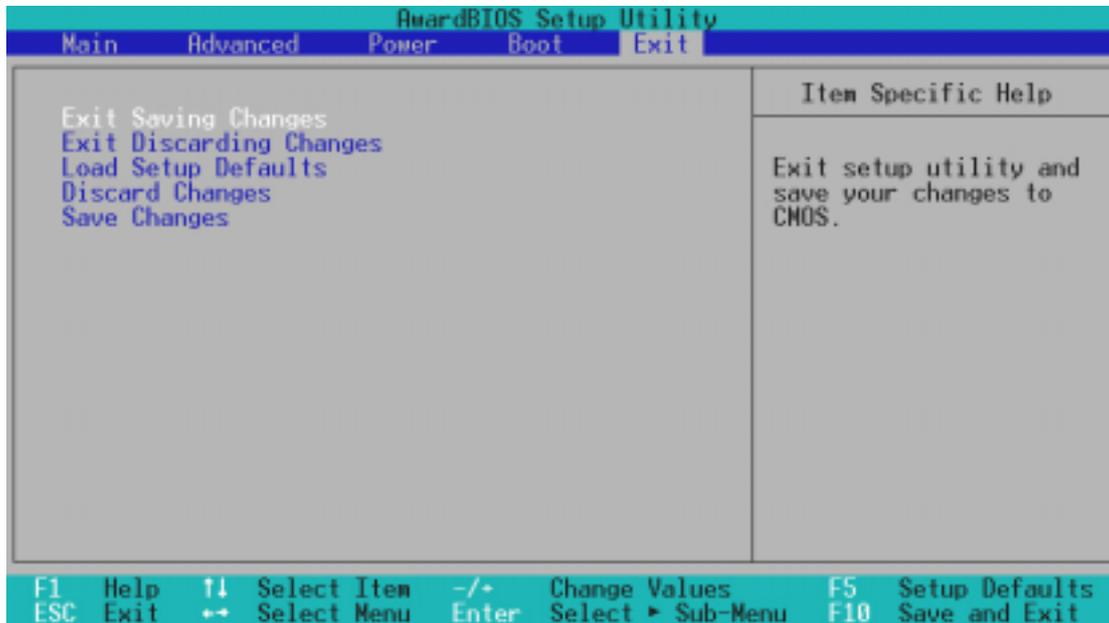
NOTE: Pressing <Esc> does not exit this menu. You must select one of the options from this menu or <F10> from the legend bar to exit this menu.

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. Once this option is selected, a confirmation is asked. Select [Yes] to save changes and exit.

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

Exit Discarding Changes

This option should only be used if you do not want to save the changes you have made to the Setup program. If you have made changes to fields other than system date, system time, and password, the system will ask for confirmation before exiting.

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Load Setup Defaults

This option allows you to load the default values for each of the parameters on the Setup menus. When this option is selected or if <F5> is pressed, a confirmation is requested. Select [Yes] to load default values. You can now 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 values you previously saved. After selecting this option, a confirmation is requested. 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 changes. After selecting this option, all selections are saved and a confirmation is requested. Select [Yes] to save any changes to the non-volatile RAM.

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5.1 Install Operating System

You should always use the latest operating system and updates when using new hardware to ensure full compliancy. You may use any version of Windows 98/2000/Millenium, but for Windows 95, you must use OSR 2.0 or later. For Windows NT 4.0, you must use Service Pack 3.0 or later.

NOTE: To configure your system to use the RAID 0 or 1 option, you must run the FastTrack100™ BIOS before installing the OS. Normally, this firmware will be activated automatically when the ATA100 and RAID 0 or 1 jumpers have been adjusted correctly; (*see Section 3.4.5 Motherboard Settings, Hardware Setup* and *Section 5.5 Manual Installation fo IDE/RAID Drivers* for more information about driver installation.)

5.2 Start Windows

When you start Windows 98 for the first time after installing your motherboard, Windows will detect all plug-and play devices. Follow the Add New Hardware Wizard to install all necessary device drivers. When prompted to restart, select **No** and then follow the setup procedures in this section.

NOTE: Because there are various motherboard settings, options, and expansion cards, the following can only be used as a general reference and may not reflect exactly the screen contents displayed on your screen.

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5.3 TUSL2 Motherboard Support CD

NOTE: The support CD contents are subject to change at any time without notice.

To begin using your support CD disc, just insert it into your CD-ROM drive and the support CD installation menu should appear. If the menu does not appear, double-click or run **E:\ASSETUP.EXE** (assuming that your CD-ROM drive is drive **E:**).

5.3.1 Installation Menu

- **INF Update Utility for Intel 815E Chipset:** Installs INF files in Windows for the following items: System and Graphics, LPC Interface, SM Bus, PCI Bridge, Bus Master IDE, USB Host, and Controllers.
- **Intel Ultra ATA Storage Driver:** Installs Intel's Ultra ATA100 storage driver.
- **C-Media PCI Audio Driver and Application:** Install drivers and software applications for the multi-channel PC sound system to support the C-Media Audio Chip and HRTF 3D Audio circuitry.
- **Win95-98 Promise FastTrak100 IDE Controller:** Shows instructions on how to install the Promise Ultra 100 IDE Controller Driver for Windows 9x. Software setup options will vary according to choice of either ATA100 or RAID 0 jumper settings.
- **Intel LDCM Administrator Setup:** Installs software to monitor PC systems on the network within the same bridge address with the Client software installed. The administrator should install both Administrator and Client software.
- **Intel LDCM Client Setup:** Installs software to monitor the Client system. The LANDesk Client Manager must be installed to use the hardware manager features.
- **ASUS BIOS Flash Utility for LDCM:** Installs a utility that can remotely flash a client PC's BIOS when used in conjunction with Intel LDCM Administrator.
- **ASUS PC Probe Vx.xx:** Installs a utility to monitor your computer's fan, temperature and voltages.
- **ASUS Update Vx.xx:** Installs a program to help you update your BIOS and download a BIOS image file.
- **Microsoft DirectX Driver:** Installs Microsoft DirectX driver.

(TO SEE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, CLICK RIGHT ARROW ON THE LOWER-RIGHT CORNER OF THE MAIN MENU)

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- **Windbond Smart Manager Application:** Installs the Smart Manager program, base components and drivers to read smart cards for system security and file encryption.
- **PC-Cillin 2000Vx.xx:** Installs the PC-Cillin virus protection software. View the online help for more information.
- **Adobe Acrobat Reader Vx.x:** Installs the Adobe Acrobat Reader software necessary to view user's manuals saved in PDF format. Updated or other language versions of this motherboard's manual is available in PDF format at any of our web sites.
- **Cyberlink Video and Audio Applications:** Installs Cyberlink PowerPlayer SE, PowerDVD Trial, and Cyberlink VideoLive Mail.
- **ASUS Screen Saver:** Installs ASUS screen saver on the PC.
- **Show Motherboard Information:** Allows you to view information about your motherboard, such as product name, BIOS version, and CPU.
- **Browse Support CD:** Allows you to view the contents of the CD.
- **ReadMe:** Allows you to view the support CD file list and contact information.
- **Exit:** Exits the CD installation menu.

(TO RETURN TO THE MAIN MENU, CLICK LEFT ARROW ON THE LOWER-RIGHT CORNER OF THE SECONDARY MENU)

5.4 Using the Promise Chip for RAID 0 or 1

The Promise® chip, PDC20265R, onboard the TUSL2, offers a high performance Redundant Array of Independent Disks (RAID) configuration that supports *only* UltraATA-100/66/33, EIDE or FastATA-2 hard disks. After connecting two hard disks to the motherboard, activating either RAID 0 or 1 function is easily configured through the *FastTrak100™* "Lite" firmware BIOS during boot up. In addition, the support CD allows you to install system drivers according to the Operating System (OS) on your computer. Read through this section in its entirety before setting up your RAID system.

RAID 0 is also known as "data striping." Striping optimizes two identical hard disk drives to read and write data in parallel, interleaved stacks. Two hard disks perform the same work as a single drive, and at a sustained data transfer rate double that of a single disk alone. The main advantage of a RAID 0 array is to improve the *Speed Performance* of data access and storage. With FAT32 and NTFS partitioning, the array will be addressed as one large volume.

RAID 1 is also known as "data mirroring." Mirroring optimizes two identical hard disk drives to copy all data from one hard disk drive to the other and vice versa. As new data is written, it is duplicated onto both disks using a parallel write process. The main advantage of RAID 1 is that it greatly increases *Fault Tolerance* of the entire system, especially if each hard disk is connected separately to both ATA-100 IDE channels available on the TUSL2. Should one hard disk suffer mechanical trouble, all system data will be preserved on the other drive.

IMPORTANT! Before setting up your new RAID array, verify the status of your hard disks. It is possible to use a pre-existing hard disk for RAID 0 only if the data is backed up before configuring the array as all hard disk data will be lost during the set up. RAID 0 requires at least two hard disks for optimal results. It is possible to use a pre-existing hard disk for RAID 1 to duplicate the source data; also, RAID 1 can set up two or more new disks. The Promise® chip, the *FastTrak™* "Lite" BIOS and the *FastBuild™* Utility on the TUSL2 permit only *two* disks to be configured in RAID 0 or RAID 1 pairs and combinations; a third, "hot" spare hard disk may be used to support a RAID 1 array; (*see the end of this section for more detail*). For optimal performance, install only identical hard disks of the same model and storage capacity. Use only Ultra ATA-100/66 compatible IDE cables and connectors. The Promise® chip also supports UltraATA-100 specifications of up to 100 MB/sec per disk, with or without multiple disk arrays up to four hard disks.

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5.4.1 Installing the Hard Disks

The RAID 0 setting allows users to reformat two hard disks with the same new OS simultaneously. RAID 1 arrays can use a pre-existing hard disk along with a blank hard disk, or two new hard disks.

1. Install the first and second hard disk into the hard disk bays of your system. Connect each hard disk drive with a separate *UltraDMA/100* cable, one to the Primary ATA IDE1 connector, and the other to the Secondary ATA IDE2 connector onboard the TUSL2.
2. Connect the power cables to the hard disks.
3. Boot-up the PC and hold down <del> to enter system BIOS. Enter the *Advanced* menu and enter the *PCI Configuration* sub-menu; then select the RAID option from the *Onboard Promise Chip* field.
4. Turn off your PC.

5.4.2 Enter FastTrak100 BIOS and FastBuild Utility

1. Boot-up your computer once more. If this is the first time you have booted with two hard disks correctly installed, then *FastTrak100*™ "Lite" BIOS scans the IDE drives and displays this screen:

```
FastTrak100 (tm) "Lite"  BIOS Version 1.31 (Build 24)
(c) 1995-2000 Promise Technology, Inc.  All Rights Reserved.




No Array is defined . . .

Press <Ctrl-F> to enter FastBuild (tm) Utility or
Press <ESC> to continue booting ...
```
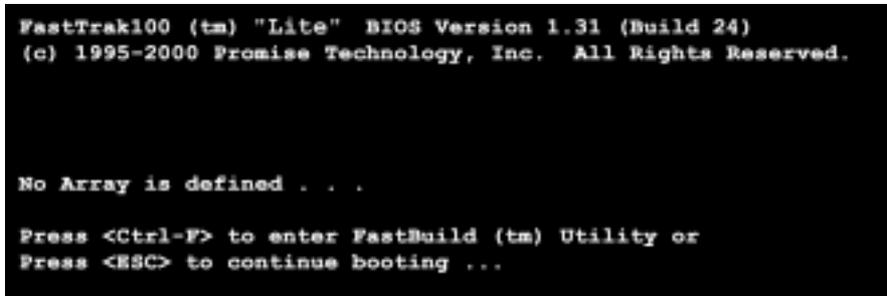
2. Press **<Ctrl-F>** keys to display the *FastBuild*™ Utility **Main Menu**:

```
FastBuild (tm) Utility 1.31 (c) 1996-2000 Promise Technology, Inc.
========================[ Main Menu ]========================


       Auto Setup . . . . . . . . . . [ 1 ]

       View Drive Assignments . . . . [ 2 ]

       View Array . . . . . . . . . . [ 3 ]

       Delete Array . . . . . . . . . [ 4 ]

       Rebuild Array. . . . . . . . . [ 5 ]

       Controller Configuration . . . [ 6 ]




========================[ Keys Available ]========================


Press 1..6 to select Option                      [ESC] Exit
```

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5.4.3 Creating a RAID 0 Array

1. In the *FastBuild*™ Utility **Main Menu**, select *Auto Setup* **[1]**. The screen below is displayed. The **Auto Setup Options Menu** configures hard disks for RAID 0 and RAID 1 arrays. These selections assign all available drives that are appropriate for the new array and configures data formats and the IDE channels.

```
FastBuild (tm) Utility 1.31 (c) 1996-2000 Promise Technology, Inc.
══════════════════[ Auto Setup Options Menu ]═══════════════
     Optimize Array for:                    Performance

     Typical Application to use:            DESKTOP

═══════════════════[ Array Setup Configuration ]════════════

     Mode ..................................... Stripe

     Spare Drive............................... 0

     Drive(s) Used in Array.................... 2

     Array Disk Capacity (size in MB)............ 29299




═══════════════════════[ Keys Available ]═══════════════════


[↑] Up   [↓] Down   [←,→,Space] Change Option   [ESC] Exit [CTRL-Y] Save
```
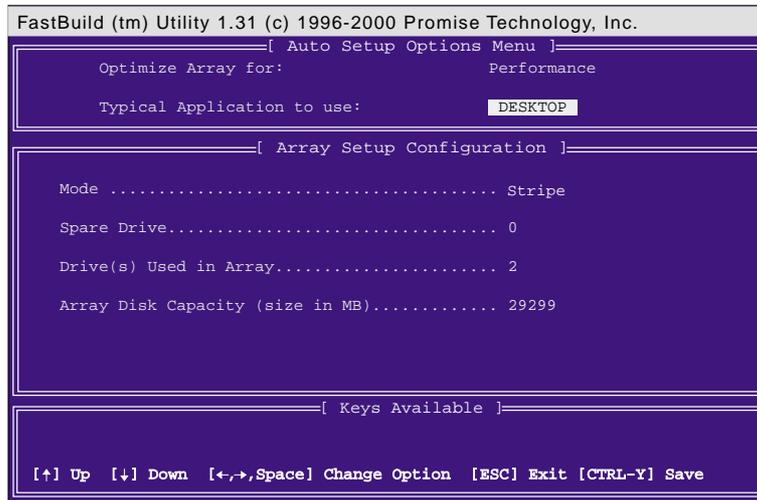
2. Go to the field **Optimize Array for:** and select *Performance* using the arrow and space keys. The **Mode** field displays *Stripe.*

3. Then go to the **Typical Application Menu**. Three options are available: *A/V Editing*, *DESKTOP*, or *Server*. These selections determine how data blocks are managed to enhance performance. *A/V Editing* is intended for audio/video applications, or similar programs that require larger file transfers; *Desktop* combines large and small file sizes; *Server* is for numerous file transfers.

4. After making the selection, use **<Ctrl-Y>** to save it. *FastBuild*™ automatically constructs the RAID 0 array.

5. Then the command appears: "Press Any Key to Reboot." Reboot the system and the *FastTrak100*™ "Lite" BIOS checks and displays the status of the new array:

```
FastTrak100 (tm) "Lite"  BIOS Version 1.31 (Build 24)
(c) 1995-2000 Promise Technology, Inc.  All Rights Reserved.

ID    MODE         SIZE     TRACK-MAPPING     STATUS

1*    2+0 Stripe   3257M    723/192/48        Functional


Press <Ctrl-F> to enter FastBuild (tm) Utility
```
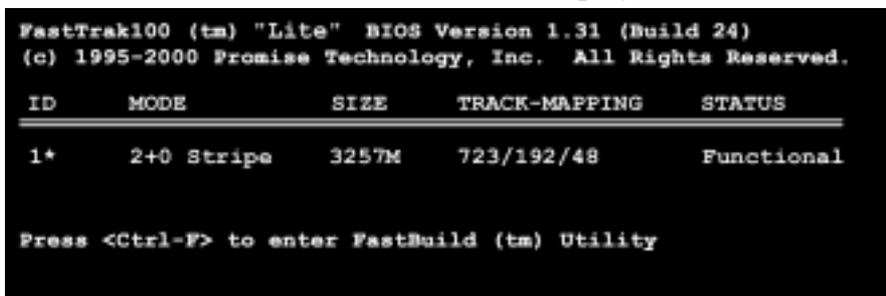
6. To finish installation of your new Operating System to the RAID 0 array, reboot with a floppy disk to format the hard disks with the *FDISK* command and then install the OS from a CD; alternatively, with a bootable OS CD, you may install the new OS automatically. As you install the OS, the system always treats the RAID 0 array of hard disks as if they are a single drive unit.

5.4.4 Creating a RAID 1 Array

1. In the *FastBuild™* Utility **Main Menu**, select *Auto Setup* **[1]**.

```
FastBuild (tm) Utility 1.31 (c) 1996-2000 Promise Technology, Inc.
                  [ Auto Setup Options Menu ]
    Optimize Array for:                    Security

    Typical Application to use:            Not Available

                  [ Array Setup Configuration ]
    Mode .....................................  Mirror

    Spare Drive...............................  0

    Drive(s) Used in Array....................  2

    Array Disk Capacity (size in MB)..........  14645




                         [ Keys Available ]


 [↑] Up  [↓] Down  [←,→,Space] Change Option  [ESC] Exit [CTRL-Y] Save
```
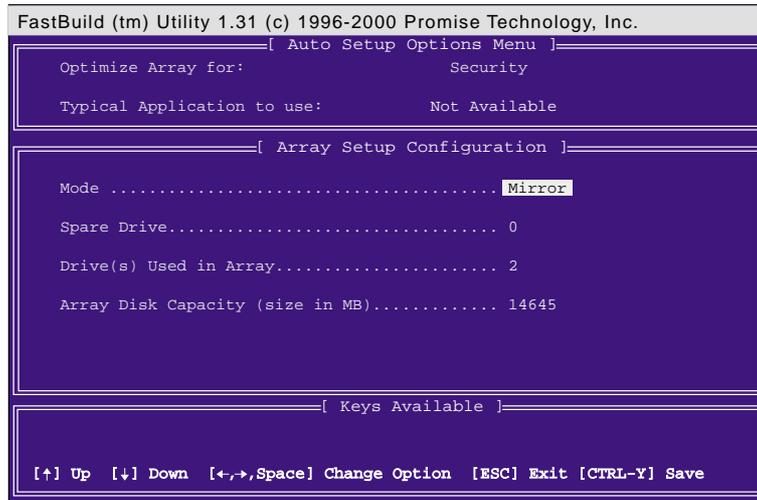
2. Go to the field **Optimize Array for:** and select *Security.* The **Mode** field displays *Mirror.*

3. After making the selection, use **<Ctrl-Y>** to save it. *FastBuild™* offers a choice between two options. Use **<Y>** for *Create and Duplicate* to mirror a pre-existing hard disk formatted with data that you want to save on both hard disks; (Go to step 4.) Use **<N>** for *Create Only* if using two new hard disks to configure a new RAID 1 mirrored array; (Go to step 6.)

```
Do you want the disk image to be
duplicated to another?(Yes/No)
Y -Create and Duplicate
N -Create Only
```
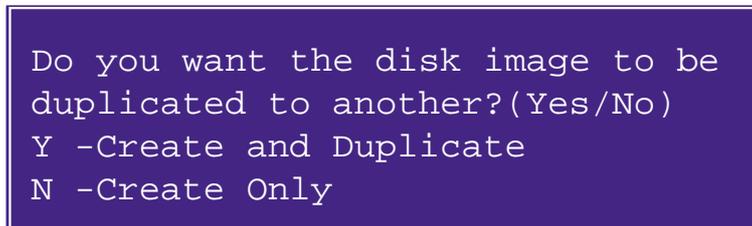
4. If selecting **<Y>**, for *Create and Duplicate*, this screen will be displayed:

```
FastBuild (tm) Utility 1.31 (c) 1996-2000 Promise Technology, Inc.
                      [ Source DiSk ]
   Channel:ID         Drive Model        Capacity (MB)
   ------             ---------          -------

                      [ Target Disk ]
   Channel:ID         Drive Model        Capacity (MB)
   ------             ---------          -------

                [ Please Select A Source Disk ]
   Channel:ID         Drive Model        Capacity (MB)
                                              3077
       1:Sla ST3322IA                         3077




                      [ Keys Available ]
 [↑] Up  [↓] Down   [ESC] Exit  [Enter] Select
```
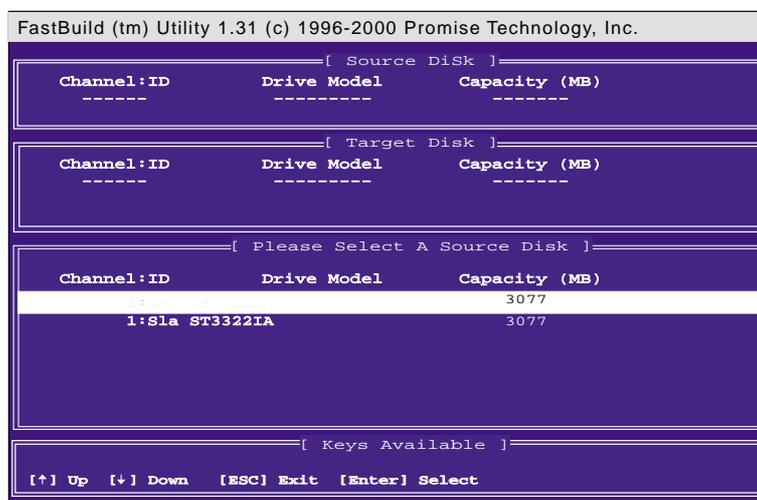
5. The utility prompts: *Please Select A Source Disk*. Choose the pre-existing hard disk as the source and then a new, blank hard disk as the target. Then select **<Ctrl-Y>** to save the selection. The utility prompts a choice between **<Y>** to continue and **<N>** to stop and escape. Choosing **<Y>** begins to duplicate the source hard disk onto the target hard disk.

6. To configure two new blank hard disks in a RAID 1 array, choose **<N>** for *Create Only*; (At step 3). The *FastBuild*™ utility configures the RAID 1 array and a message appears: ***Array has been created... <Press Any Key to REBOOT>***

7. Rebooting the system allows the *FastTrak100*™ "Lite" BIOS to display the status of your new array:

```
FastTrak100 (tm) "Lite"  BIOS Version 1.31 (Build 24)
(c) 1995-2000 Promise Technology, Inc.  All Rights Reserved.

ID      MODE         SIZE      TRACK-MAPPING      STATUS

1*      1x2 Mirror   1628M     827/64/63          Functional


Press <Ctrl-F> to enter FastBuild (tm) Utility
```

8. If duplicating an original Operating System to another new hard disk, the system will start up automatically. If creating a brand new RAID 1 array only, it will be necessary to intstall a new OS. Reboot with a rescue floppy disk to format the hard disks with the *FDISK* command and then install the OS from a CD; alternatively, with a *bootable* OS CD, install the new OS automatically.

NOTES for Troubleshooting Array Set Ups:

Always use two separate UltraDMA/100 cables for linking each of two hard disks to the Primary ATA-100 and the Secondary ATA-100 connectors. Usually, a two disk array will set up properly if both sets of hard disk jumpers are set to *Master*. However, it may be necessary to reset the jumpers on each of the hard disks; in such cases, try *Master* for the *Source* disk, and *Master/Slave* or *Slave* for the *Target* disk. Also, if a Source hard disk larger than the Target disk is selected, the *FastBuild*™ utility suggests using a larger or equal size disk for the Target instead. During reboots after configuring a RAID array, the IDE scan process determines if the system is working okay. Normally the *FastTrak100*™ "Lite" BIOS displays system status as *Functional* after rebooting the new RAID array. However, two warnings may appear: *Critical* indicates that one or more drives in the array are not functional, or are disconnected. In this case, enter the *FastBuild*™ Utitility to diagnose the problem and replace the faulty drive. The second warning, *Offline*, indicates that one hard disk in a striped array has failed, cannot be detected, or has become disconnected. In this case, adjust or replace the hard disk if necessary and rebuild data from a back-up source.

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5.4.5 Other FastBuild Utility Commands

Command options 3-6 on the *FastBuild™* Utility **Main Menu** are not required for setting up an array, but they are useful for modifying or reconfiguring an array:

View Array (3): View the drive assignments of hard disks in an array.

Delete Array (4): Deletes an array to reconfigure the system. Deleting an array does not remove information on the hard disks. If an array is deleted by mistake, recover it immediately by redefining it as the deleted array.

Rebuild Array (5): This command restores the array and system data after faults on RAID 1 arrays. Follow the steps below to rebuild and restore data in the array:

1. On boot-up, an error message notifies of a system failure.
2. Press **<Ctrl-F>** keys to enter the *FastBuild™***Main Menu**.
3. Select **<3>** for **View Array** to verify the ID of the defunct hard disk.
4. Power off the system and replace the hard disk with an identical model.
5. Reboot and enter the *FastBuild™* **Main Menu** again.
6. Select **<5>** for **Rebuild Array**. The malfunctioning array is highlighted. Press **<Enter>** to select it:

```
FastBuild (tm) Utility 1.31 (c) 1996-2000 Promise Technology, Inc.
======================[ Rebuild Array Menu ]======================

    Array No     RAID Mode     Total Drv     Capacity     Status


    Array  1     Mirror            2           1628        Critical
    Array  2     -----           -----         -----       -----
    Array  3     -----           -----         -----       -----
    Array  4     -----           -----         -----       -----




=========================[ Keys Available ]=========================

  [↑] Up   [↓] Down   [ESC] Exit   [Enter] Select
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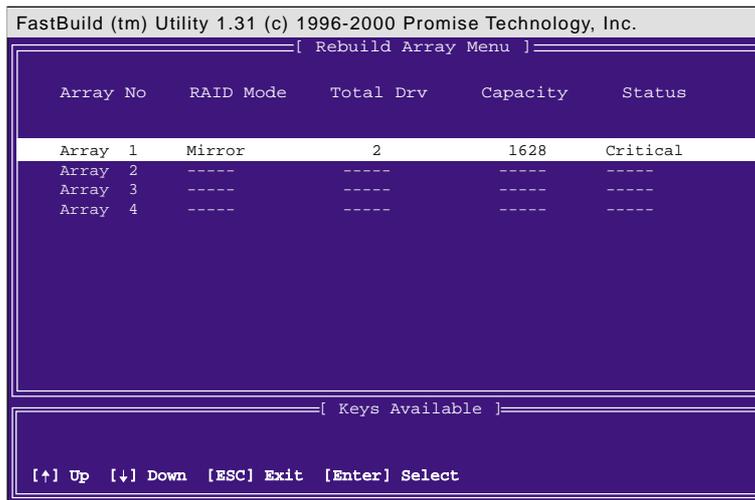
7. Select the replacement drive. Press **<Enter>**:

```
FastBuild (tm) Utility 1.31 (c) 1996-2000 Promise Technology, Inc.
======================[ Rebuild Array Menu ]======================

    Array No     RAID Mode     Total Drv         Status


    Array  1      Mirror           2             Critical

    Stripe Block: Not Available

=====================[ Select Drive for Rebuild ]=====================

    Channel: ID          Drive Model          Capacity (MB)

    1: Slave            ST3322IA                  3077


=========================[ Keys Available ]=========================

  [↑] Up   [↓] Down   [ESC] Exit   [Enter] Select
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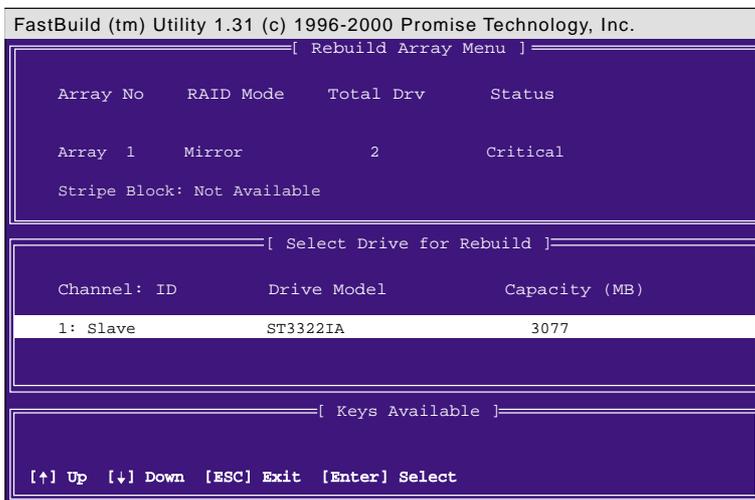
8. Confirm the command to copy data from the intact source hard disk onto a new replacement hard disk. A progress gauge displays the copy progress for the duration of the task.

9. After the rebuild is complete, the user is prompted to reboot the system.

Controller Configuration (6): Default for Controller Configuration is: [enabled].

5.4.6 Alternative Set Ups and Other Details

Hot Spares

A hot spare hard disk may be installed to support a RAID 1 array. This spare hard disk must share one of the Ultra-DMA/100 cables attached to either of the hard disks active in a RAID 1 array. In the event of a failure of either *active* hard disk in the array, the "Lite" BIOS detects the hot spare and automatically rebuilds the mirrored data from the functional hard disk. The FastBuild Utility will report a warning message after such a hard disk failure; it may indicate that the good hard disk and the hot spare are connected to the same cable, so then it will be necessary to transfer the hot spare to the other cable and reboot again.

Use Both ATA-100 Connectors

Optimal performance for RAID 0 and 1 arrays require that each hard disk be connected to separate IDE channels; the first hard disk should be connected to the Primary ATA-100 connector and the second hard disk, to the Secondary ATA-100 connector.

Adding Extra Hard Disks

The TUSL2 is supplied with two additional Primary IDE and Secondary IDE connectors. Only two hard disks connected to the Primary and Secondary ATA-100 IDE connectors can function in a RAID 0 or RAID 1 array. Extra hard disks may be connected to the system using the onboard IDE connectors, but such disks *cannot* be configured in a RAID array. In principle, up to eight hard disks or other IDE devices may connect to the TUSL2. Whether an array is set up or not, all hard disks connected to the TUSL2 will function at the ATA-100 protocol.

Use ATA-100, High-RPM Hard Disks with Identical Storage Capacity

The fastest available hard disks should be used in the RAID 0 array to maximize performance. Slower hard disks may be used; however, the RAID 0 array can only double the speed of particular hard disks. Since you can achieve better performance with a single ATA-100 hard disk than with two ATA-33 disks in a RAID 0 array, it is more effective to install two ATA-100 or ATA-66 high-RPM hard disks for an array. Hard disks used for both RAID 0 and 1 arrays should always have the same storage capacity because the RAID protocol automatically formats both disks to use only up to the maximum write space available on the *smaller* of two different hard disks.

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5.5 Manual Installation of IDE/RAID Drivers

The TUSL2 support CD contains several IDE and RAID 0 or 1 drivers in the Promise folder, including Windows, NetWare and Nt4. Below follow two popular OS installations. The others are available on the support CD.

5.5.1 Win9x-ME Promise® FastTrak100 Speed BIOS

1. Ensure the Support CD-ROM is in the CD Drive and press "Start" button.
2. Move highlight bar to "Settings" and select "Control Panel".
3. Double click on "System" icon.
4. Select "Device Manager" page.
5. View device by type and find "Other devices" node.
4. Select the "PCI Mass Storage Controller" node and then click "Properties."
6. Please select [General] page to reinstall driver or select [Driver] page to update the driver.
7. Follow the instruction to insert your Windows CD or ASUS support CD to install the driver.
   (Driver Location: {CD-ROM driver}:\Promise\Raid0or1\Win9x-ME)

5.5.2 Win2000 Promise® FastTrak100™Lite/Simple Controller Driver

1. Right click "My Computer" icon on the desktop. Select "Properties" when the menu appears.   Or you can Press "Start" button. Move highlight bar to "Settings" and select: "Control Panel". Double click on "System" icon.
2. Select "Hardware" page and then click [Device Manager] button.
3. View device by type and find "Other devices" node.
4. Right Click the "Mass Storage Controller" node.
5. When the menu appears, click the "Properties" item.
6. Please select select [Driver] page to update driver.
7. Press Next while "Upgrade Device Driver Wizard" window appears.
8. Choose "Select for a suitable driver for my device(recommended)" option and then press Next.
9. Select "Specify a location" check box.
10. Type or browse the path {CD-ROM Drive}:\Promise\Raid0or1\Win2000 to the driver and click OK.
11. Press Next.
12. Press Yes.
13. Finally, press Finish to complete the installation.
14. Please restart you computer for these changes to take effect.
   (Driver Location: {CD-ROM driver}:\Promise\Raid0or1\Win2000)

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6.1 Winbond Smart Manager

The *Winbond Smart Manager* is a clever utility that helps secure the PC with a *Read2-IN-01 Smart Card Reader* (*see page 7*) and a smart card containing a mini-chip insert, like a *GSM cell phone SIM card*. Once a smart card reader is configured, set up the *Smart Manager* software utility for "boot up" or "always on" system security.

6.1.1 Setting Up Smart Manager

Connect the *smart card reader* to the TUSL2; (refer to *Section 3.8.13* in *Hardware Setup* for the *connector* location.) **Boot up** the PC and enter **BIOS** (press <del>) to change the configuration to accept smart card hardware: in the *Advanced BIOS* menu select the *I/O Device Configuration* sub-menu, go to *UART2* and select **Smart Card Read**, save and exit.

```
Floppy Disk Access Control      [R/W]

Onboard Serial Port 1           [3F8H/IRQ4]
Onboard Serial Port 2           [2F8H/IRQ3]
UART2 Use as                    [Smart Card Read]
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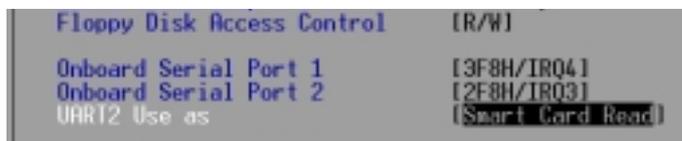
Finish booting up. Insert the ASUS Support CD and click on the selection: *Winbond Smart Manager Application*. The auto-installer prompts to install the *Base Components* and after doing show displays a *readme* file. Next, immediately install the *Smart Card Driver Library* as prompted. Finally, install the *Winbond Smart Manager* application as prompted.
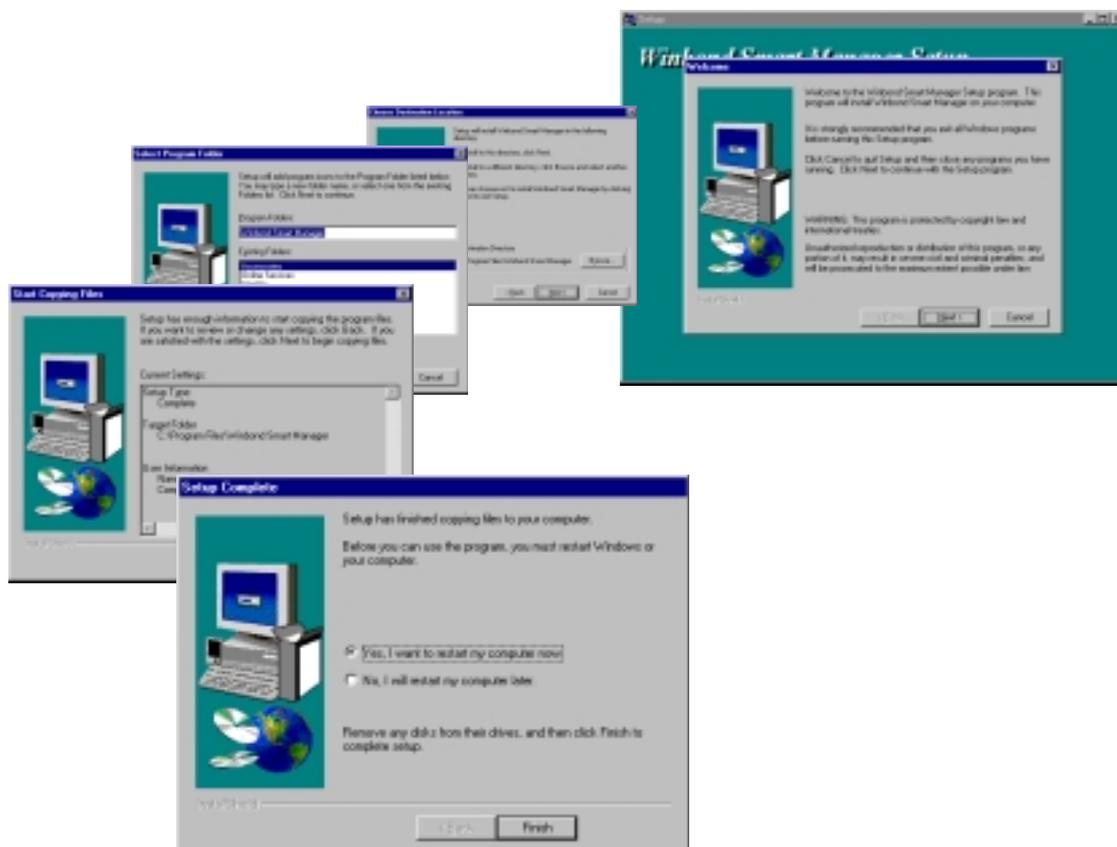
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The auto-installer implements all of the drivers, base components and displays the *Winbond Smart Manager* program groups. **Restart**. *Windows* should auto-detect the *smart card reader* and install its system drivers.

NOTE: **Do not install** system components or *Winbond* applications *unless* you install a smart card *reader*, (see page 7). Smart card system software components support various types of smart card applications; all system components are compatible with *Windows 98*, *ME* and *2000*. However, the *Windbond Smart Manager* application is readily compatible *only* with *Windows 98* and *ME*.

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6.1.2 Starting to Use Smart Manager

After installing the software, start *Windbond Smart Manager* for the first time: select the **Programs** menu from the **Start** bar and select the **Windbond** program group. When you click the program application, an **icon** is created for the **Logon Smart Card** software in the bottom right hand corner of the screen.
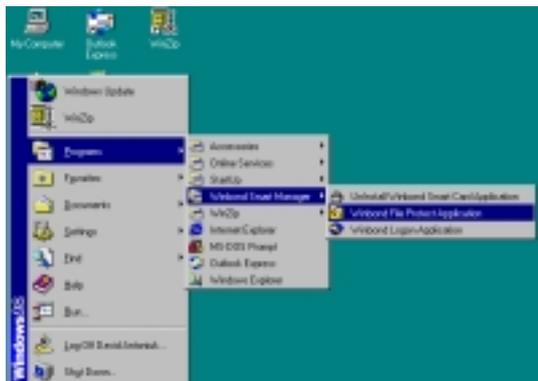
The new **icon** resembles a key. ——

Right click on the icon and select **Setting Logon Smart Card**. ——
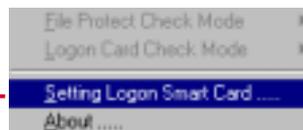
Click the **Add New** button and then select the type of card you are using. Insert the **smart card** into the card reader, then enter your name and any remarks into the fields. Click **OK**.
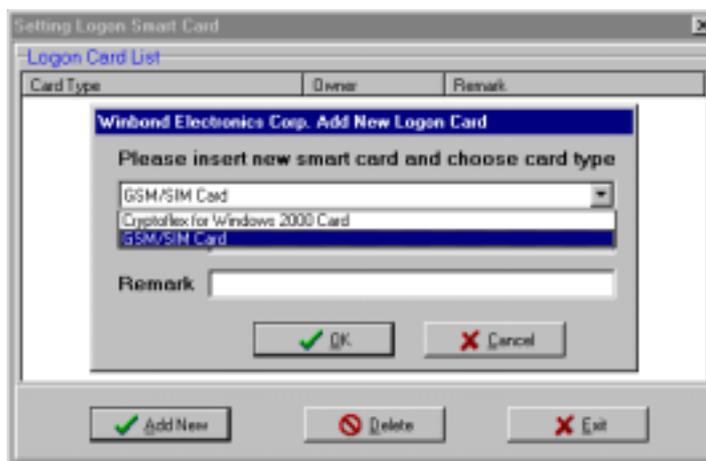
The card reader detects the smart card ID. *Smart Manager* registers the smart card for security capability and prompts to click **OK**. The card's **security status** is displayed in the main program window.

6.1.3 Smart Manager Modes

Return to the *Windbond Smart Manager* **icon** on the bottom right hand corner of the *Windows* screen. Select the **Logon Card Check Mode** to choose the security mode. Three basic modes are available:
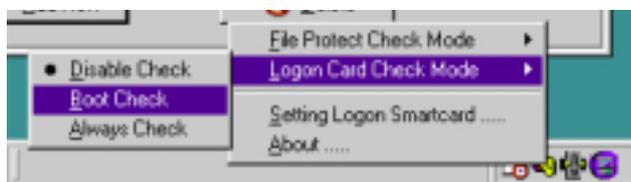
1. **Disable Check** renders the *Smart Manager* security system inoperative.

2. **Boot Check** enables the *Smart Manager* security system for start up. The user must insert the smart card into the reader during start up in order to complete the *Windows* boot up process. In this mode, the user may remove the smart card and continue to use the PC after the start cycle is complete. If no smart card, or the wrong one, is inserted during boot up, the PC displays the *Smart Manager* **Protection Screen**:

Whenever the *Smart Manager* **Protection Screen** is displayed, the computer is secured and impenetrable.
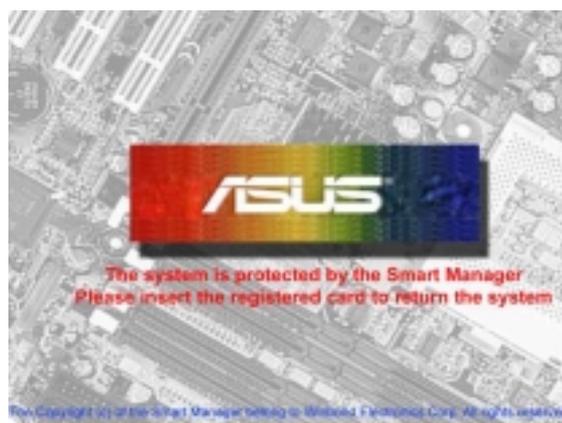
3. **Always Check** configures the *Smart Manager* to require that the user insert the smart card during start up; then, if the card is removed at any time during the operation of the PC, the *Smart Manager* protection screen will automatically pop up and the PC is secure until the card is reinserted.

File Protect Check Mode: This is a sub-program used to encrypt and decode individual files stored in the system using a smart card as a key.

NOTE: Do take care **not to lose** your smart card or you may not be able to restart the PC or decode encrypted files. Test each new smart card to ensure that it is completely compatible with the card reader; the *Read2-In-01 Smart Card Reader* is designed only to read cards with the standard PC/SC mini-chip configuration.

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6.2 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.

6.2.1 Starting ASUS PC Probe

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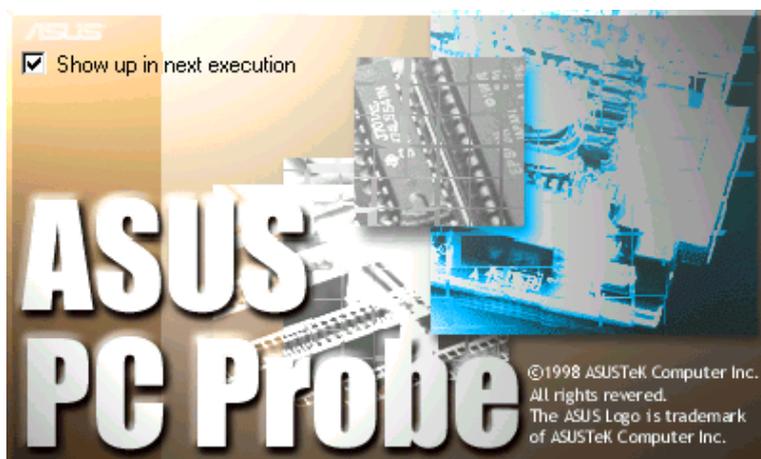
To start **ASUS PC Probe**, click the Windows **Start** button, point to **Programs**, and then **ASUS Utility**, and then click **Probe Vx.xx**.

The PC Probe icon will appear on the taskbar's system tray indicating that ASUS PC Probe is running. Clicking the icon will allow you to see the status of your PC.

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6.2.2 Using ASUS PC Probe
Monitoring

Monitor Summary

Shows a summary of the items being monitored.

Temperature Monitor

Shows the PC's temperature.

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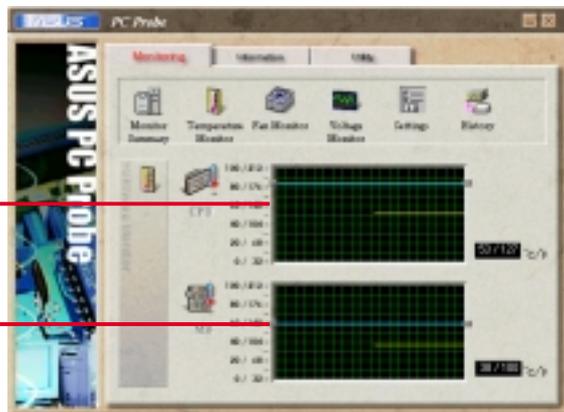
Fan Monitor

Shows the PC's fan rotation.

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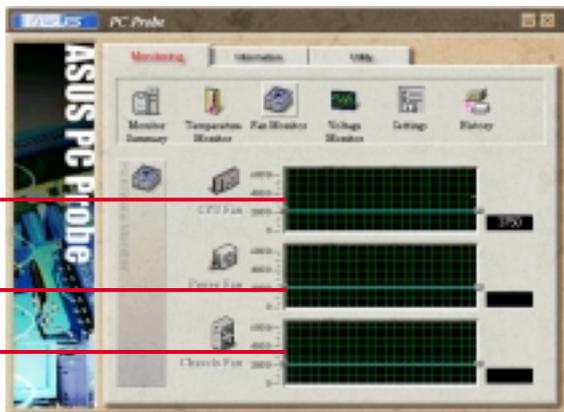
Voltage Monitor

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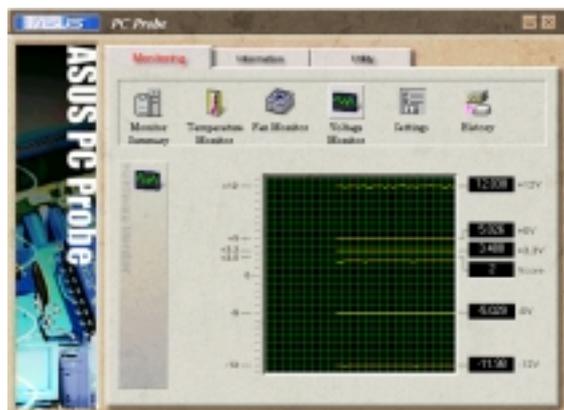
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Settings
Lets you set threshold levels and polling intervals or refresh times of the PC's temperature, fan rotation, and voltages.

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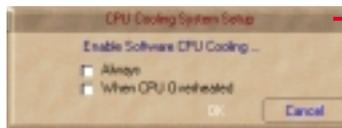
History
Lets you record the current monitoring activity of a certain component of your PC for future reference.
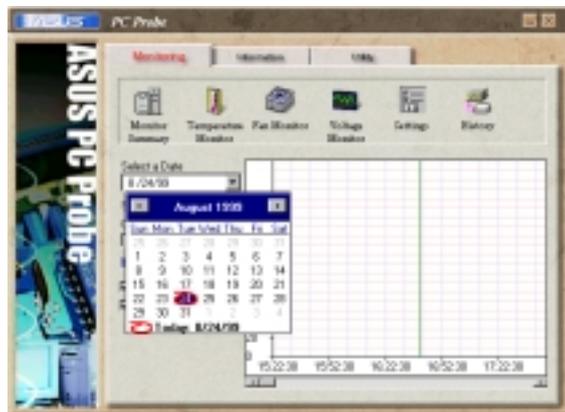
Information

Hard Drives
Shows the used and free space of the PC's hard disk drives and the file allocation table or file system used.
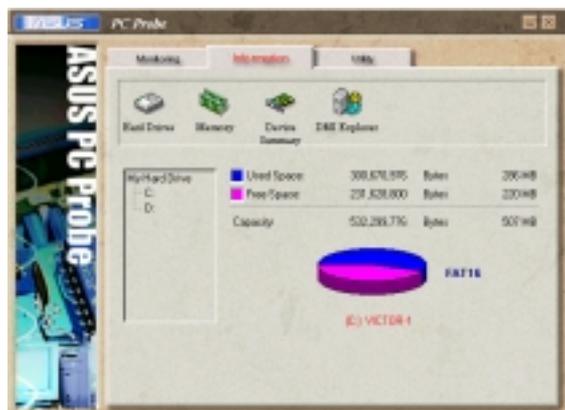
Memory
Shows the PC's memory load, memory
usage, and paging file usage.

Device Summary
Shows a summary of devices in your PC.
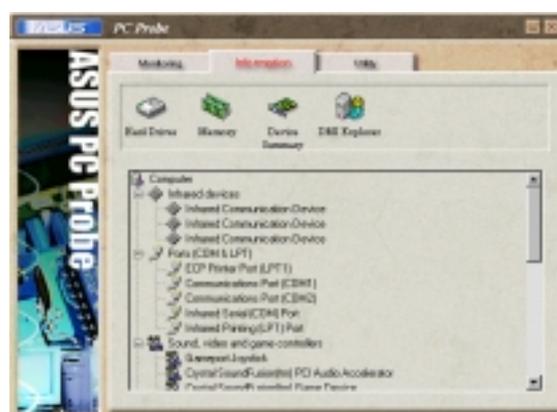
DMI Explorer
Shows information pertinent to the PC,
such as CPU type, CPU speed, and in-
ternal/external frequencies, and memory
size.

Utility
Lets you run programs outside of the
ASUS Probe modules. To run a program,
click **Execute Program**.
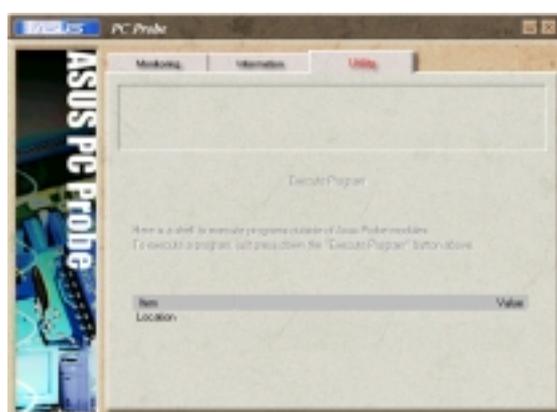
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6.2.3 ASUS PC Probe Task Bar Icon

Right-clicking the PC Probe icon will bring 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 is displayed.

10:20 PM
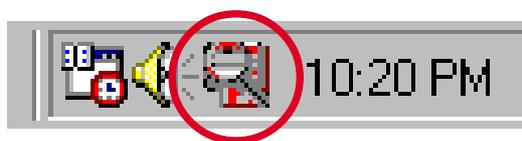
6.3 Multi-Channel Audio Feature Setup

The C-Media PCI Audio Driver and Applications are located on the Support CD. Installing the programs enables the multi-channel audio feature. **Note**: You must use 4 or 6 channel speakers for this setup.

6.3.1 The C-Media Audio Mixer

1. The **C-Media Mixer Icon** appears on the bottom right of the screen, or the **Mixer** may be turned on from the **PCI Audio Applications** & **Audio Rack** groups on the **Main Program** menu using the Windows **Start button**: Click on the **icon** to display the C-Media **Audio Mixer**:
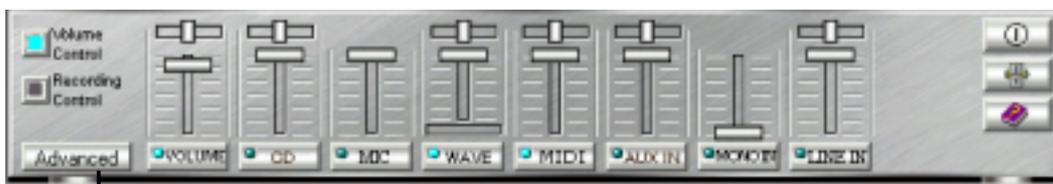
2. The **Advanced** button activates the **Speaker, Volume, Sound Effects** and **Options** menus. The **Speaker** menu offers various configurations for your speaker system. This menu enables the **Line-In** and **Mic-In audio jacks** on the back panel to setup additional speakers for 4 and 6-Channel Audio.

6.3.2 The C-Media Audio Demo Program

1. The Audio Demo program offers an easy way to test and tune your new speaker system. Activate the **Multi-Channel Audio Demo** program from the **PCI Audio Applications** group on the **Main Program** menu using the Windows **Start button**:
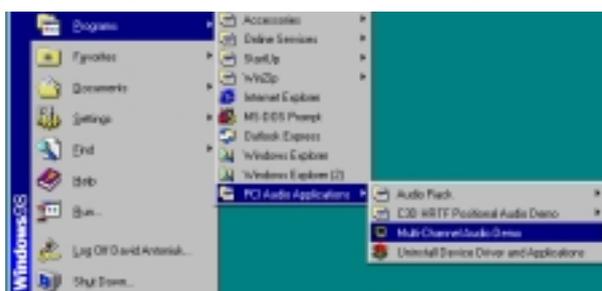
2. The **PCI Multi-Channel Audio Demo** has several **Demos** to help fine tune your PC speaker system. The **Help** menu features several pages of instructions and hardware diagrams to help configure and test the system. To activate the **Speaker Channel Configuration Menu**, point your mouse arrow and click on the **TV box**.

3. The **Speaker Channel Configuration Menu** displays all the options available to help tune the multi-channel audio system even more precisely.
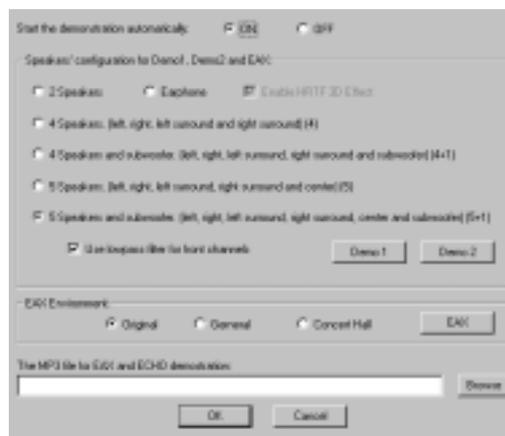
6.3.3 Connector Configuration

The **chart** below displays the configurations for the line connectors on the yellow MIDI/Game/ Audio connector port located on the back panel. The three female connectors are available for use in the 6-Channel audio system.
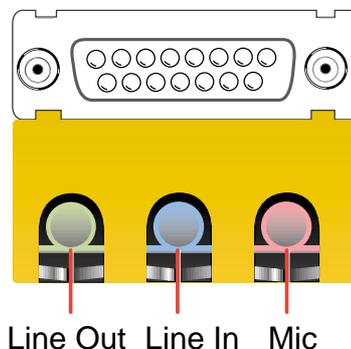
Line Out   Line In   Mic

Connector Settings and Functions

	Headphone/ 2-Speaker	4-Speaker	6-Speaker
Lime	Line Out/ Front Spkr Out	Line Out/ Front Spkr Out	Line Out/ Front Spkr Out
Light Blue	Line In	Rear Speaker Out	Rear Speaker Out
Pink	Mic In	Mic In	Center Speaker Out, Sub-woofer

Note: *See 7* in *Section 3, Motherboard settings* for the Bass/Center Jumper settings to fine tune the output signals.

6. SOFTWARE REFERENCE

6.4 ASUS LiveUpdate

ASUS LiveUpdate is a utility that allows you to update your motherboard's BIOS and drivers. The use of this utility requires that you are properly connected to the Internet through an **I**nternet **S**ervice **P**rovider (ISP).

1. Start ASUS Update.
Launch the utility from **Start | Programs | ASUS Utility | ASUS LiveUpdate.**
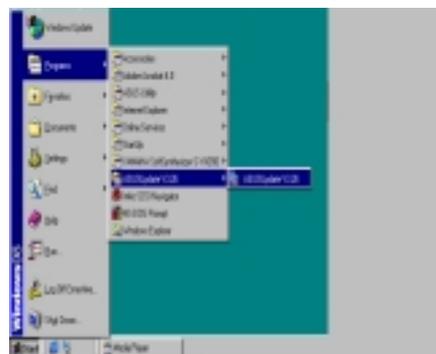
2. Select an update method.

3. If you selected updating/downloading from the Internet, you will need to select an Internet site. Choose the site that is closest to you or click **Auto Select**.

If you selected **Update from a file**, you will be prompted to locate the file.

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6.5 CyberLink PowerPlayer SE

CyberLink PowerPlayer SE is an intelligent software player that can automatically detect and playback all kinds of video/audio files, CD and MP3 files as well. This is the only software you need for all types of video and audio files. No need to waste time identifying your file types.

6.5.1 Starting CyberLink PowerPlayer SE

To start **CyberLink Power Player**, click the Windows **Start** button, point to **Programs**, and then **CyberLink PowerPlayer SE**, and then click **PowerPlayer**.

6.5.2 CyberLink PowerPlayer Control Panel
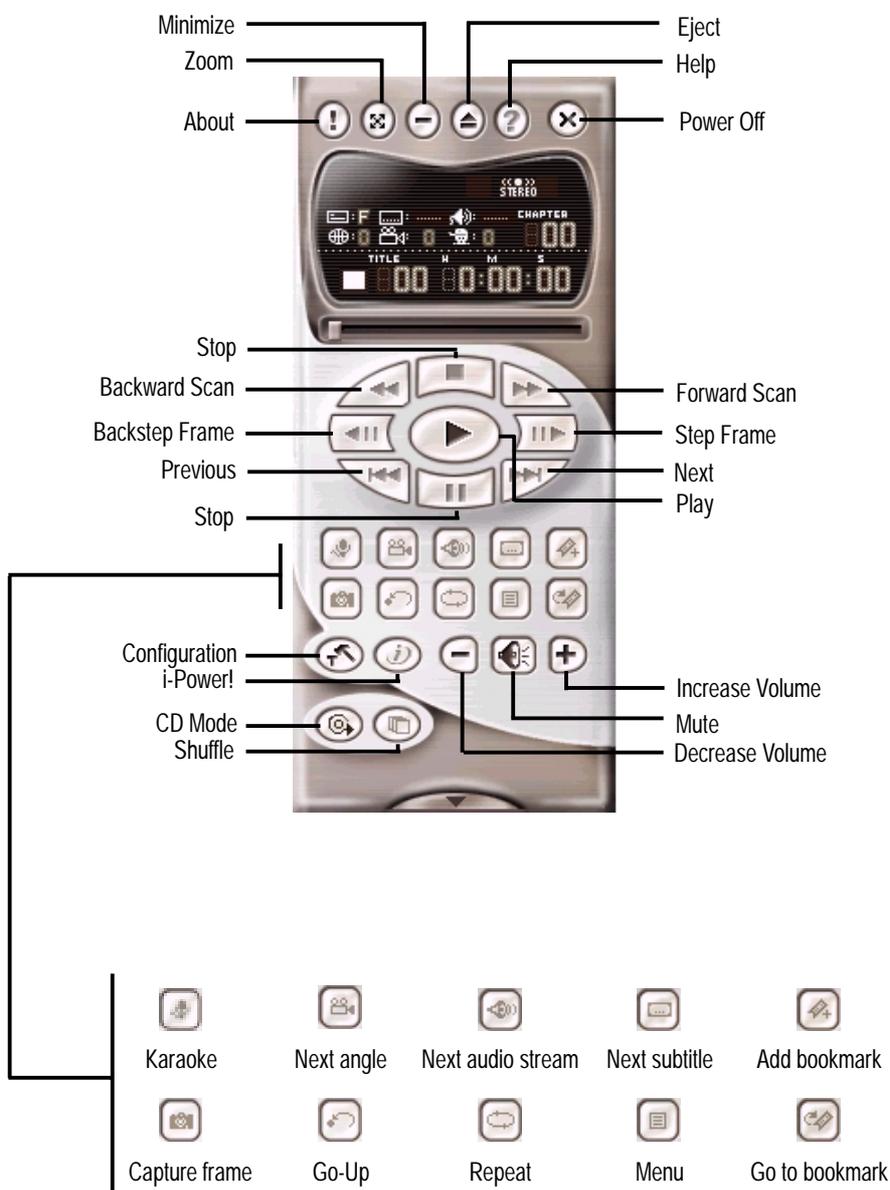
6. SOFTWARE REFERENCE

6.6 CyberLink PowerDVD

CyberLink PowerDVD is the flagship of CyberLink's complete range of video and audio software products. It features unrivaled functions allowing users to view high quality video and media-rich DVD contents on the personal computer. With the i-Power Internet Enabling feature, PowerDVD opens DVD enthusiasts to on-line DVD resources via the PowerDVD Desktop Portal Page.

6.6.1 Starting CyberLink PowerDVD

To start **CyberLink PowerDVD**, click the Windows **Start** button, point to **Programs**, and then **CyberLink PowerDVD**, and then click **PowerDVD**.

6.6.2 CyberLink PowerDVD User Interface
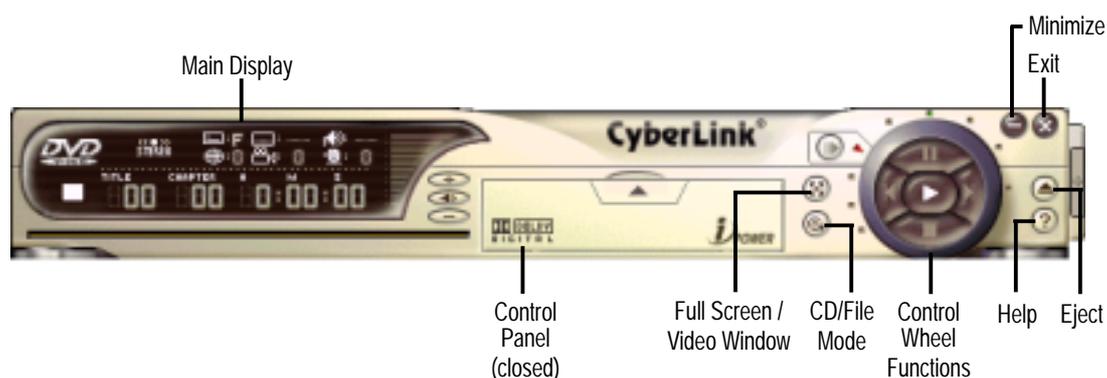
6. SOFTWARE REFERENCE

6.7 CyberLink VideoLive Mail

CyberLink's VideoLive Mail Plus Ver 3.0 (a.k.a. VLM 3) is a convenient and excellent way to create professional quality video mails from PC video/audio input devices and to send the mails to any recipients via VLM 3's built-in e-mail system through the Internet. VLM 3's mails comprise video, sound, or snapshot information; and thus may convey the most profound information to target audiences. It is very convenient for mail recipients who do not need to install additional software component in order to view VLM 3 mails.

VLM 3 works as a very applicant sales tool. It efficiently delivers profound and live product information to your target customers without costing a fortune. VLM 3 also helps corporate managers easily give vivid speeches and broadcast through corporate E-mail system. For personal or home users, VLM 3 easily records live video clips allowing users to send them to friends or family members across the Internet.

VLM 3 loads video messages from PC cameras, digital camcorders, analog camcorder via video capture cards, or from an existing AVI video clips, and captures audio messages from PC microphones. Video and audio messages are encoded at a very high compressed rate in a real-time mode. From data input, data conversion, to sending video mails via Internet, or saving data to disks, the whole procedure is done in an easy and continuous process.

VLM 3's video clip compression rate is up to 1:900, and its playback rate is up to 30 frame per second. VLM 3 provides CIF (352 x 288 pixel) display resolution, and support true color configuration. A one-minute video mail with QCIF (176 x 144) resolution takes up less than 500KB of memory, making it easy to transmit and save mail. Users may always adjust resolution and recording parameters for different purpose.

VLM 3 supports all the hardware devices that are compliant with Video for Windows standard. Video for Windows is a well-accepted and well-tested standard. Thus, users do not have to worry about compatibility issues.

6.7.1 Starting VideoLive Mail

To start **VideoLive Mail**, click the Windows **Start** button, point to **Programs**, and then **CyberLink VideoLive Mail**, and then click **VideoLive Mail x.x**. VLM 3's Setup Wizard will start and guide you through configuring the video and audio input peripherals and to setup the e-mail environment.

1. Setup Wizard first will prompt a dialog to confirm that you want to configure the hardware and E-mail setting. Click **Yes** to continue the system parameter configuration.

2. The e-mail configuration screen appears. You will need to enter your name and the e-mail address. Click **Next** to continue.

3. The Internet e-mail configuration screen appears. You may choose to use the VLM 3 built-in E-mail functionality (SMTP mail), or use MAPI compliant e-mail system. Consult your ISP or MIS staff for the E-mail server IP address if you are not sure. Click **Next** to continue.

4. Then the Video Configuration screen shows up. You may have to specify the video driver for VLM 3, if there are several video-input devices installed. Then configure the number of video frames to be captured per second. Note that the more frames you choose, the bigger the file size will be. Click **Next** to continue.

5. Then the Setup Wizard will then search for the GSM CODECS module for audio compression, and prompt you with the result. Click **Next** to continue.

6. Setup Wizard then tests the audio volume during playing and recording. Click **Next** when ready.

7. Configuration done. Click **Finish** to complete the environmental setting procedure.

6.7.2 CyberLink VideoLive Mail User Interface

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7.1 Glossary

1394

1394 is the IEEE designation for the high performance serial bus at 12.5, 25 or 50MBytes/sec speeds. This serial bus defines both a back plane physical layer and a point-to-point cable-connected virtual bus. The primary application of the cable version is the integration of I/O connectivity at the back panel of personal computers using a low-cost, scalable, high-speed serial interface. The 1394 standard also provides new services such as live connect/disconnect capability for external devices including disk drives, printers and hand-held peripherals such as scanners and cameras. This is a new standard to complement the slower USB interface and to compete with the more expensive SCSI interface.

AC97 (Audio Codec '97)

AC '97 is the next step in enabling PCs with audio quality comparable to consumer electronics devices. The specification defines new cost-effective options to help integrate the components necessary to support next-generation auto-intensive PC applications such as DVD, 3-D multiplayer gaming and interactive music. The specification also defines new extensions supporting modem and docking to help both desktop and mobile manufacturers adopt these new technologies more quickly and cost-effectively. This specification uses software emulation to compete with the PCI SoundBlaster specification.

ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface)

The ACPI specification defines a cross-platform interface designed to support many operating systems. ACPI defines a flexible and abstract hardware interface that provides a standard way to integrate power management features throughout a PC system, including hardware, operating system and application software. This enables the system to automatically turn ON and OFF peripherals such as CD-ROMs, network cards, hard disk drives, and printers, as well as consumer devices connected to the PC such as VCRs, TVs, phones, and stereos. With this technology, peripherals will also be able to activate the PC. For example, inserting a tape into a VCR can turn on the PC, which could then activate a large-screen TV and high-fidelity sound system.

AGP (Accelerated Graphics Port)

An interface specification that enables high-performance 3D graphics on mainstream PCs. AGP was designed to offer the necessary bandwidth and latency to perform texture mapping directly from system memory.

Bus	Bus Frequency	Bandwidth	Data Transfer Rate
PCI	33MHz	33MHz	133MByte/sec
AGP 1X	66MHz	66MHz	266MByte/sec
AGP 2X	66MHz	133MHz	512MByte/sec
AGP 4X	66MHz	266MHz	1024MByte/sec

BIOS (Basic Input/Output System)

BIOS is a set of routines that affect how the computer transfers data between computer components, such as memory, disks, and the display adapter. The BIOS instructions are built into the computer's read-only memory. BIOS parameters can be configured by the user through the BIOS Setup program. The BIOS can be updated using the provided utility to copy a new BIOS file into the EEPROM.

Bit (Binary Digit)

Represents the smallest unit of data used by the computer. A bit can have one of two values: 0 or 1.

Boot
Boot means to start the computer operating system by loading it into system memory. When the manual instructs you to "boot" your system (or computer), it means to turn ON your computer. "Reboot" means to restart your computer. When using Windows 95 or later, selecting "Restart" from "Start | Shut Down..." will reboot your computer.

Bus Master IDE
PIO (Programmable I/O) IDE requires that the CPU be involved in IDE access and waiting for mechanical events. Bus master IDE transfers data to/from the memory without interrupting the CPU. Bus master IDE driver and bus master IDE hard disk drives are required to support bus master IDE mode.

Byte (Binary Term)
One byte is a group of eight contiguous bits. A byte is used to represent a single alphanumeric character, punctuation mark, or other symbol.

COM Port
COM is a logical device name used by to designate the computer serial ports. Pointing devices, modems, and infrared modules can be connected to COM ports. Each COM port is configured to use a different IRQ and address assignment.

Concurrent PCI
Concurrent PCI maximizes system performance with simultaneous CPU, PCI and ISA bus activities. It includes multi-transaction timing, enhanced write performance, a passive release mechanism and support for PCI 2.1 compliant delayed transactions. Concurrent PCI provides increased bandwidth, reduced system latencies, improves video and audio performance, and improves processing of host based applications.

CPU (Central Processing Unit)
The CPU, sometimes called "Processor," actually functions as the "brain" of the computer. It interprets and executes program commands and processes data stored in memory. Currently, there are socket 370 (for Pentium III FC-PGA and Celeron-PPGA), socket 7 (for Pentium, AMD, Cyrix, IBM), slot 1 (for Pentium II and III), slot 2 (for Xeon), and slot A (for AMD) processors.

Device Driver
A device driver is a special set of instructions that allows the computer's operating system to communicate with devices such as VGA, audio, printer, or modem.

DOS (Disk Operating System)
DOS is the foundation on which all other programs and software applications operate, including Windows. DOS is responsible for allocating system resources such as memory, CPU time, disk space, and access to peripheral devices. For this reason, DOS constitutes the basic interface between you and your computer.

DRAM (Dynamic Random Access Memory)
There are several different types of DRAM such as, EDO DRAM (Extended Data Output DRAM), SDRAM (Synchronous DRAM), and RDRAM (Rambus DRAM).

Flash ROM
The flash ROM is designed to be a resident program and can be updated by a specific programming method. Normally, the flash ROM is used for system BIOS which initiates hardware devices and sets up necessary parameters for the OS. Since the contents of flash ROM can be modified, users are able to update the BIOS by themselves.

IDE (Integrated Drive Electronics)
IDE devices integrate the drive control circuitry directly on the drive itself, eliminating the need for a separate adapter card (in the case for SCSI devices). UltraDMA/33 IDE devices can achieve up to 33MB/Sec transfer.

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LPT Port (Line Printer Port)
Logical device name reserved by DOS for the computer parallel ports. Each LPT port is configured to use a different IRQ and address assignment.

MMX
A set of 57 new instructions based on a technique called Single Instruction, Multiple Data (SIMD), which is built into the new Intel Pentium PP/MT (P55C) and Pentium II (Klamath) CPU as well as other x86-compatible microprocessors. The MMX instructions are designed to accelerate multimedia and communications applications, such as 3D video, 3D sound, video conference.

OnNow
The OnNow design initiative is a comprehensive, system-wide approach to system and device power control. OnNow is a term for PC that is always ON but appears OFF and responds immediately to user or other requests. The OnNow design initiative involves changes that will occur in the Microsoft Windows operating system, device drivers, hardware, and applications, and also relies on the changes defined in the Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) specification.

PC100
SDRAM is Intel's goal is to ensure that memory subsystems continue to support evolving platform requirements and to assure that memory does not become a bottleneck to system performance. It is especially important to ensure that the PC memory roadmap evolves together with the performance roadmaps for the processors, I/O and graphics.

PCI Bus (Peripheral Component Interconnect Local Bus)
PCI bus is a specification that defines a 32-bit data bus interface. PCI is a standard widely used by expansion card manufacturers.

PCI Bus Master
The PCI Bus Master can perform data transfer without local CPU help and furthermore, the CPU can be treated as one of the Bus Masters. PCI 2.1 supports concurrent PCI operation to allow the local CPU and bus master to work simultaneously.

Plug and Play BIOS
The ISA bus architecture requires the allocation of memory and I/O address, DMA channels and interrupt levels among multiple ISA cards. However, configuration of ISA cards is typically done with jumpers that change the decode maps for memory and I/O space and steer the DMA and interrupt signals to different pins on the bus. Further, system configuration files may need to be updated to reflect these changes. Users typically resolve sharing conflicts by referring to documentation provided by each manufacturer. For the average user, this configuration process can be unreliable and frustrating. Plug and play (PnP) BIOS eliminates the ISA add-on card hardware conflict problem. The PnP BIOS uses a memory block to define and remember each card's configuration, which allows the user to change the card's IRQs and DMA in BIOS either automatically or manually.

POST (Power On Self Test)
When you turn ON the computer, it will first run through the POST, a series of software-controlled diagnostic tests. The POST checks system memory, the motherboard circuitry, the display, the keyboard, the diskette drive, and other I/O devices.

PS/2 Port
PS/2 ports are based on IBM Micro Channel Architecture. This type of architecture transfers data through a 16-bit or 32-bit bus. A PS/2 mouse and/or keyboard may be used on ATX motherboards.

RDRAM (Rambus DRAM)
Developed by Rambus, Inc., this type of memory can deliver up to 1.6GB of data per second. RDRAM is the first interface standard that can be directly implemented on high performance VLSI components such as, CMOS DRAMs, memory controllers, and graphics/video ICs.

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ROM (Read Only Memory)
ROM is nonvolatile memory used to store permanent programs (called firmware) used in certain computer components. Flash ROM (or EEPROM) can be reprogrammed with new programs (or BIOS).

SCSI (Small Computer System Interface)
High speed multi-threaded I/O interface defined by the X3T9.2 committee of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) for connecting many peripheral devices. The standard started from 10MBytes/sec to 160MBytes/sec available today.

SDRAM (Synchronous DRAM)
The SDRAM features a fully synchronous operation referenced to a positive edge clock whereby all operations are synchronized at a clock input which enables the coexistence of high performance and a simple user interface. SDRAM takes memory access away from the CPU's control; internal registers in the chips accept the request, and let the CPU do something else while the data requested is assembled for the next time the CPU talks to the memory. As they work on their own clock cycle, the rest of the system can be clocked faster. There is a version optimized for video cards, and main memory for motherboards.

SPD for SDRAM module
Serial Presence Detect (SPD) is most like an ID detect for SDRAM module, it using a EEPROM component on DIMM module for storing module configuration information inside. The Serial Presence Detect function is implemented using a 2048 bit EEPROM component. This nonvolatile storage device contains data programmed by the DIMM manufacturer that identifies the module type and various SDRAM organization and timing parameters.

SSE (Streaming SIMD Extensions)
A set of new instructions added to existing architectures that enables a better visual experience with an accelerated 3D geometry pipeline and support for new applications, such as real-time video encoding and speech recognition.

System Disk
A system disk contains the core file of an operating system and is used to boot up the operating system.

UltraDMA
Ultra DMA/33 is a "synchronous DMA" protocol designed by Intel. This function is included into Intel's PIIX4 chipset. The traditional IDE transfer only uses one edge of the data stroke as the data transfer. Ultra DMA/33 uses both edges of data strobe when the data is transferred. Hence, the data transfer rate is double of the PIO mode 4 or DMA mode 2 (16.6MB/s x2 = 33MB/s) on ATA-2 devices.

Ultra ATA/66, also known as Ultra DMA/66, is an extension of current Ultra ATA/33 interface. This new high-speed interface has doubled the Ultra ATA/33 burst data transfer rate to 66.6 Mbytes/sec and maximized disk performance under current PCI local bus environment

USB (Universal Serial Bus)
A 4-pin serial cable bus that allows up to 127 plug and play computer peripherals such as keyboard, mouse, joystick, scanner, printer, modem, and monitor to share a bandwidth through a host scheduled token based protocol. This allows attaching or detaching while the host and other peripherals are in operation. Supports synchronous and asynchronous transfer types over the same set of wires up to 12Mbit/sec. USB 2.0 provides twice the transfer rate compared to USB 1.0 and competes with the 1394 standard.

Wake-On-LAN
Computer will automatically wake-up upon receiving a wake-up packet through a Network interface when it is under power soft-off, suspend or sleep mode.

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