## Tyan S1832DL

# Tiger 100

## Motherboard User's Manual Revision 2.20

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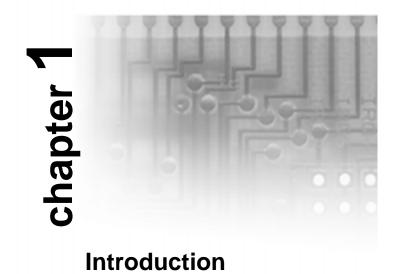
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## Overview

The S1832DL Tiger 100 is a quality, high performance mainboard designed for dual Intel Pentium II or Pentium III microprocessors. This mainboard utilizes the Intel 440BX AGPset and can support CPU speeds of 233MHz through 500MHz, and host bus speeds of 66MHz to 100MHz.

The S1832DL mainboard, with built-in AGP slot, provides high performance capabilities that are ideal for a wide range of demanding applications such as CAD, CAM, CAE, desktop publishing, 3D animation, and video production.

This integrated system board achieves high reliability with numerous features and yet is small enough to be supported in an ATX form factor. Some of the features included are onboard dual channel PCI PIO, Bus Master IDE and UltraDMA/33, onboard floppy controller, and onboard high speed I/O.

Flexibility and expandability have been designed into the Tiger 100. With I/O and drive controller support built onboard, the one AGP slot, five PCI and two ISA slots (one shared, seven usable slots) are free for numerous add-on expansion cards.

Remember to take a look at TYAN Computer's web site located at



http://www.tyan.com. There you can find information on all of TYAN's products along with detailed FAQs for trouble-shooting, distributors list, drivers, and BIOS setting explanations.

## Icons

In order to help you navigate this manual and set up your system, we have added several icons to our format.



This icon alerts you to particularly important details regarding the setup or maintenance of your system. This icon often appears next to information that may keep you from damaging your board or system. While we will often point out the most

vital paragraphs in a chapter, you should always read every word in the text. Failing to do so can lead to exasperation and expense.



Wherever possible, we have included step-by-step instructions for setting up your system, which are indicated by this icon. However, it is in your best interest to read an entire section (and perhaps the entire manual) before you begin to fiddle with your

motherboard.



While we have alerted you to potential dangers in several places in the manual with this icon, these warnings should not be regarded as the whole of your safety regimen. Never forget that computers are electrical devices, and are capable of delivering a

shock. Prevent damage to yourself and to your board: always ensure that your system is turned off and unplugged whenever you are working with it, and that you are equipped with a static safety device.



## Hardware Specifications/Features

Processor Information	<ul> <li>Two SEC slots (Slot One type).</li> <li>66 to 100MHz BIOS selectable bus support.</li> <li>Pentium II, P-III 233-600MHz.</li> <li>Supports Celeron CPU (single only).</li> </ul>
Chipset Information	<ul><li>Intel 440BX AGPset.</li><li>Intel PIIX4e controller.</li><li>National 309 Super I/O chipset.</li></ul>
Voltage and Power Information	<ul> <li>ATX power supply connector.</li> <li>+12V power source for DC fans onboard.</li> <li>3.3V DRAM support.</li> <li>Utilizes GTL+ bus to reduce power consumption and EMI.</li> </ul>
Main Memory	<ul> <li>Up to 1024MB onboard.</li> <li>Four 168-pin DIMM sockets.</li> <li>Supports 100MHz SDRAM with SPD.</li> </ul>
System Management	<ul> <li>National LM79 and LM75 ASICs with onboard alarm for monitoring temperature, supply voltages, and fan speed.</li> <li>System Manager software</li> <li>Chassis intrusion detection capable.</li> </ul>
Expansion Slots	<ul> <li>One 32-bit AGP slot.</li> <li>Five 32-bit PCI Bus Master slots.</li> <li>Two 16-bit ISA slots.</li> <li>One shared, seven usable slots.</li> </ul>

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Physical Dimensions	<ul> <li>ATX design.</li> <li>12 inches x 9.8 inches.</li> <li>Requires Intel Venus compatible I/O shield.</li> </ul>
<b>BIOS Information</b>	<ul> <li>AMI Plug and Play flash BIOS.</li> <li>Deep Green, Energy Star, ACPI, Year 2000, and PC98 compliant.</li> <li>Soft power-down, multiple boot options.</li> <li>Win98/NT5 ready, DMI 2.0 compliant.</li> <li>PCI 2.1, APM 1.1 compliant.</li> </ul>
Disk Drive & System I/O	<ul> <li>Two PCI bus mastering EIDE channels.</li> <li>Supports EIDE CD-ROMs.</li> <li>PIO Mode 3 &amp; 4 (up to 17MB/sec DTR).</li> <li>UltraDMA/33 bus mastering mode (up to 33MB/sec DTR).</li> <li>Support for two floppy drives (up to 2.88MB).</li> <li>Two serial ports (16550 UARTs).</li> <li>One ECP/EPP parallel port.</li> <li>One Serial IR (InfraRed) I/O interface port.</li> <li>Two USB rev 1.2 (universal serial bus) connectors.</li> <li>One PS/2 mouse connector.</li> <li>One PS/2 keyboard connector.</li> </ul>

## **Software Specifications**

OS

•Operates with MS-DOS, Windows 3.x, Windows for WorkGroups 3.x, Windows 95, Windows 98, Windows NT, OS/2, Novell Netware, and SCO Unix.



## **Technical Support**

If a problem arises with your system, you should turn to your dealer for help first. Your system has most likely been configured by them, and they should have the best idea of what hardware and software your system contains. Hence, they should be of the most assistance. Further, if you purchased your system from a dealer near to you, you can actually bring your system in to them to have it serviced, instead of attempting to do so yourself (which can have expensive consequences).

If your dealer is unable to assist you,	
1) try our web page:	http://www.tyan.com
2) technical support phone line:	(510) 440-8808
3) or e-mail address:	techsupport@tyan.com

## **Returning Merchandise for Service**

During the warranty period, contact your distributor or system vendor **FIRST** for any product problems. This warranty only covers normal customer use and does not cover damages incurred during shipping or failure due to the alteration, misuse, abuse, or improper maintenance of products.

#### For Resellers Only:

A receipt or copy of your invoice marked with the date of purchase is required before any warranty service can be rendered. You can obtain service by calling the manufacturer for a Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) number. The RMA number should be prominently displayed on the outside of the shipping carton and the package should be mailed prepaid, or hand-carried to the manufacturer. TYAN will pay to have the board shipped back to you.



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# **Board Installation**

## Unpacking

The mainboard package should contain the following:

- S1832DL mainboard
- One 40-pin IDE & 34-pin floppy cable pack
- User's manual
- Two CPU retention modules
- One Tyan System Management & Driver CD

## Precautions

#### What's the first thing I should do?

The first thing you should do is read this user's manual. It contains important information which will make configuration and setup much easier.

Here are some precautions you should follow when installing your motherboard:



- (1) **Ground yourself properly before removing your motherboard from the antistatic bag.** Unplug the power from your computer and then touch any metal part on the computer case. (Or wear a grounded wrist strap.)
- (2) Hold the mother board by its edges and do not touch the bottom of



the board.

- (3) Avoid touching motherboard components, IC chips, connectors, and leads.
- (4) Avoid touching pins of memory modules and chips.
- (5) Place motherboard on a grounded antistatic surface or on the antistatic bag.

Having reviewed the precautions above, the next step is to take the motherboard out of the cardboard box and static bag, hold it by its edges, and place it on a grounded antistatic surface, component side up. Inspect the board for damage.

#### DO NOT APPLY POWER TO THE BOARD IF IT HAS BEEN DAMAGED!

Press down on any of the socket ICs if it appears that they are not properly seated (the board should still be on an antistatic mat). Do not touch the bottom of the board. Remember, don't take any electronic device out of its protective bag until you are ready to actually install it into the computer case. If you do not ground yourself, you risk zapping the motherboard or adapter card. Subsequent problems may not arise immediately because electrostatic discharge damage, unlike physical damage, causes the device to fail over time.

\*Power Supply Requirement: ATX Power Supply should be 2.01 compliant. Standby current must be 750mA or higher (SB5V = 0.75A)

## **Installation Steps**

You are now ready to install your motherboard. The mounting hole pattern of the Tiger 100 matches the ATX system board specifications. Your chassis should be able to accomodate an ATX motherboard and have an ATX power supply.

- 1. 2. 3.
- 1. Set Jumpers
- 2. Mount Motherboard in Chassis
- 3. Install Memory
- 4. Install CPU & Cooling Fan
- 5. Connect IDE and Floppy Drives
- 6. Connect Power Supply
- 7. Install Add-on Cards
- 8. Connect PS/2, USB, Serial and Parallel Devices



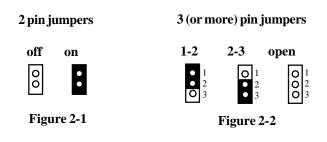
## What is a Jumper

In this manual, the terms "closed" and "on" are used when referring to jumpers (or jumper pins) that are active; "open" and "off" are used when referring to jumpers (or jumper pins) that are inactive. See the **Figure 2-1** for examples of "on" and "off" pins and jumpers. The square pin in the diagram is Pin 1.

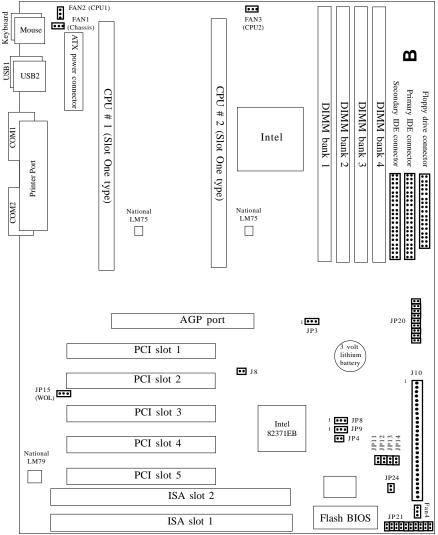
Jumpers and pins are connected by slipping the blue plastic jumper connector overtop of two adjacent jumper pins (indicated by **1-2** or **2-3**). The metal rod

inside the plastic shell bridges the gap between the two pins, completing the circuit. See **Figure 2-2** for more examples of pin connections.

The tables and maps on the following pages will help you set the jumpers for CPU speed, Infrared, and external connector pin assignments, among others. The miniature motherboard maps will help you locate the jumpers on your board. A full-page map of the motherboard can be found on the next two pages.







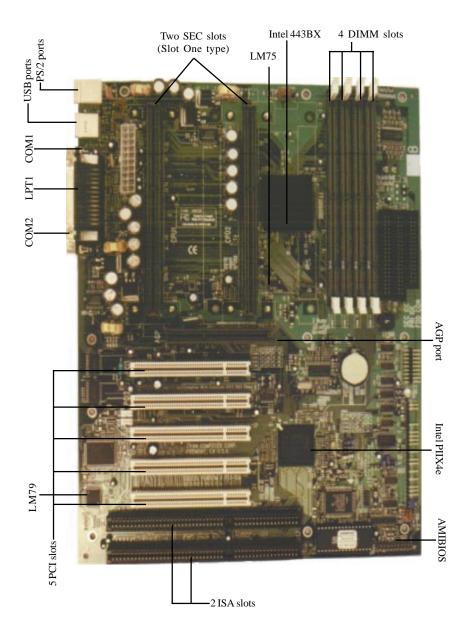
## **Map of Motherboard Jumpers**

The tiny "1"s next to jumpers of 3 pins or more indicate the position of pin 1 for that jumper.

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## **Picture of Motherboard Features**





## **1. Setting Jumpers**

#### 1-A. CPU Speed Settings (Switch S4)

There are two steps to set the CPU speed. First, set the **clock multiplier** with jumpers JP11-JP14 according to the specification of your CPU using the chart below. There is no need to set the bus speed. The motherboard auto-detects the bus speed of the CPU. Presently all Celeron CPUs use a 66MHz bus speed. Tyan does not recommend operating CPUs, memory, or PCI Bus at higher than rated speed. Tyan takes no responsibility for any problems related to overclocking any bus or component on the system board.

Multiplier	Bus Speed	CPU speed	JP11	JP12	JP13	J	
(set Jmprs on board)	(set in BIOS)						
3.5	100	350	ON	OFF	OFF	(	
4	100	400	OFF	ON	ON	(	
4.5	66	300	OFF	ON	OFF		
7.5	100	450	01		ON		
5	66	333	OFF	OFF OFF	OFF	ON	(
5	100	500		011		<u>`</u>	
5.5	66	366	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	(
5.5	100	550	011	011	OIT	`	
6	66	400	ON	ON	ON		
0	100	600				C	
6.5	66	433	ON	ON	OFF	C	
7	66	466	ON	OFF	ON	C	

1-B. Front Panel Assignment (1x27: Jumper J15)

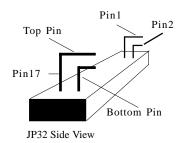
Pins	1-2	6-10	13-16	18-20	22-23	24-27
Function	Power On/Off	InfraRed	HDD LED	Power LED	Reset Switch	Speaker
Assign- ment	1=Power On/Off 2=GND	6=5V 8=IR RX 9=GND 10=IR TX	15=LED- 16=LED+	18=GND 19=NC 20=Power LED	22=GND 23=Reset	24=5V 26=Internal Speaker 27=Speaker-



#### 1-B. Front Panel Assignment (2x9: Jumper JP20)

For chassis that have a 2x9 plug use JP20 instead of J15.

Тор		Bottom		
VCC	1	2	Power LED	
HDD LED	3	4	Sleep LED	
Ground	5	6	Power On/Off	
Reset	7	8	Ground	
VCC	9	10	SMI Switch	
IR Receive	11	12	VCC	
Ground	13	14	No Connect	
IR Transmit	15	16	VCC	
No Connect	17	18	No Connect	



#### 1-C. Speaker Connector (J10)

The speaker should be connected to pins 24-27 of jumper J10.

#### 1-D. Wake-On LAN (JP15) & FAN Connectors

	1	2	3
JP15 (Wake-on LAN)	Standby 5V	GND	Wake (Power On, Active High)
FAN1-4	GND	VCC	Fan Monitor

- Fan1 connector corresponds to Rear Chassis Fan.

- Fan2 connector corresponds to CPU 1 slot.
- Fan3 connector corresponds to CPU 2 slot.
- Fan4 connector corresponds to Front Chassis Fan.

Note: With Intel's LANDesk system monitoring software, only **3** fans can be monitored at one time.

#### 1-E. Clear CMOS and Reset Password (Jumper JP3)

If you have been locked out of your system because you forgot your pass word or set the CMOS incorrectly, follow the instructions below.

- 1. Power off the system
- 2. Set jumper JP3 to pins 2 and 3 (see next page for location of JP3).
- 3. Wait for 2 seconds, then return jumper JP3 to pins 1 and 2.
- 4. Power on the system again.

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By following this procedure, you will erase your password and reset the CMOS to the BIOS defaults.

	JP3
Default	1-2
Reset CMOS	2-3

#### 1-F. IR/Floppy

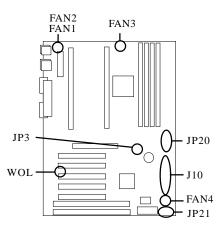
Set to 2 FDD if you are using 2 floppy drives.

IR/FDD	JP4	JP8	JP9
2 FDD	ON	1-2	1-2
1 IR/1 FDD (Default)	OFF	2-3	2-3

### 1-G. Proprietary Server Management Connector (JP21)

Reserved for use with a proprietary server management add-on card.

SERVERSMI#	1	2	NMSMBCLK
GND	3	4	GND
ON/OFFin	5	6	MNSMBDATA
LPOK	7	8	KEYUNLK
NMIOUT	9	10	NMSB3V
FP_RSET#	11	12	GND
GND	13	14	No Connect
SECURE	15	16	GND
CHISINT	17	18	No Connect
No Connect	19	20	GND





#### 1-H. Chassis Intrusion Alarm Connector

The J8 connector is an intrusion alarm, that can be connected to the system chassis. When active (J8 is connected to the chassis), this alarm will alert the system administrator anytime someone opens the system's case.

#### Soft Power Connector

The Soft Power Connector is pins 1-2 of jumper block J10. The Tiger 100 uses the chipset for power management, including turning on and off the system. If the Power Button Function option in the BIOS Power Management Menu is set to On/Off (which is the default), pressing the power button once after the BIOS has booted up will turn the system on and off. If the Power Button Function option is set to Suspend, pressing the power button once will wake the system or send it to Suspend mode. In this case, you cannot turn the system off unless you shut down through the Windows operating system or you hold the power button down for four seconds.

#### Hardware Reset Switch Connector Installation

The Reset switch on your case's display panel provides you with the Hardware Reset function, which is the same as power on/off. The system will do a cold start after the Reset button is pushed.

#### **CMOS RTC**



The Real Time Clock (RTC) circuit, which provides the date and time for the system is integrated into the 440BX/GX or Via Apollo Pro Plus AGPset. If the external battery for the RTC is low, it will prevent your system from POSTing, and you will not get a display. Normally the life span of an external battery is 2 years. If yours is running low, you will need to replace it with a new 3V lithium battery (Sony CR2032).

#### Flash EEPROM

The Tiger 100 uses flash memory to store BIOS firmware. It can be easily updated if necessary using the flash utility (see page 69). Tyan does not recommend flashing the BIOS unnecessarily. Check the Tyan web site for the latest BIOS revision.

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## 2. Mounting the Motherboard in the Chassis

Follow the instructions provided by the case manufacturer for proper installation guidelines. TYAN recommends that you use only one screw to hold down the motherboard. The rest of the mounting holes should be used for the plastic standoffs. If your case does not have a hole for a standoff, simply cut off the bottom of the plastic standoff so that the flat portion rests on the metal. The adapter cards and the screws holding them down will keep your board flat. The fastening screw should not short any of the traces on the motherboard. Make certain that you do not overtighten the screw, as it will damage the motherboard and possibly break internal traces in the surrounding area. The hole you should use is located at the top-center of the board where the adapter cards are fastened to the case.

## 3. Installing Memory

Since TYAN boards are manufactured with performance in mind, you should use add-in components that match. Some DIMM modules may seem to be high quality because of name or feel but that does not guarantee real-world usability. Some cheaper or OEM memory may have brand-name components, but they may contain inferior or substandard parts which do not meet the critical tolerances our products require. Because of this, your memory may not work correctly in a TYAN board though it may work well in a competitor's board. This is because many of our competitors do not adhere to the strict tolerances required for high performance. If you buy a TYAN board, you are getting the best system available. To make installation easy and trouble free, get high quality parts. Some brands we recommend are Advantage Memory, Corsair Microsystems, Millenium, Kingston Memory, QesTec Incorporated, Unigen, Micron Technology, and Crucial Technology. These DIMMs have proven to be very stable on our boards and perform extremely well.



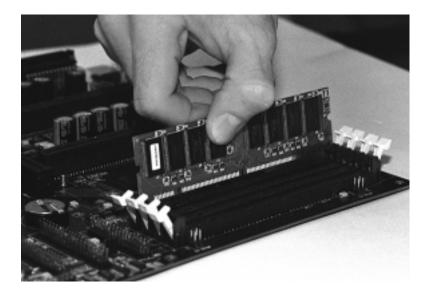


Figure 2-3

To install your DIMMs, line your module up so that the pins fit into the slot. There is only one way that your DIMM can fit properly. Make sure that the short row of pins is lined up with the short gap in the DIMM slot. Figure 2-3 above shows how to sit the DIMM into its slot. To insert the DIMM, push down vertically on the module with even force, as shown in the photo. Do not shove one end in first; doing so will bend the DIMM pins.

To lock the DIMM into place, push the plastic clips on either end of the slot onto the notches in the ends of the DIMM (see Figure 2-4 on the next page). To remove your DIMM, simply pull the clips back, and pull up on the module.

Place the DIMMs in an anti-static bag as soon as you remove them to avoid static damage.

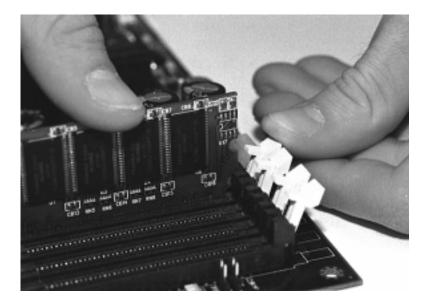
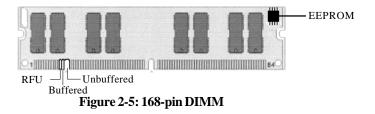


Figure 2-4

The Tiger 100 uses a 64-bit data path from memory to CPU and can accommodate up to 2 GB of SDRAM. The 168-pin DIMMs (Dual In-line Memory Modules) must be of the 3.3V, **unbuffered** variety. The position of the notch in the SDRAM key position will tell you whether or not a DIMM is unbuffered (see the Figure 2-5 below). All installed memory will be automatically detected, so there is no need to set any jumpers.



Some details of memory installation:



At least one unbuffered DIMM must be installed for the system to POST. The mainboard supports 32MB, 64MB, 128MB SDRAM; and supports 256MB registered SDRAM DIMM modules. \* • PC-100 DIMM is required if CPU bus speed is at 100MHz

The table below shows some of the possible memory configurations. Not all
possible configurations are listed.

DIMM Bank 1	DIMM Bank 2	DIMM Bank 3	DIMM Bank 4	Total
8MBx1	8MBx1	8MBx1	8MBx1	32MB
16MBx1	16MBx1	8MBx1	0	40MB
16MBx1	16MBx1	16MBx1	16MBx1	64MB
32MBx1	16MBx1	16MBx1	16MBx1	80MB
32MBx1	32MBx1	16MBx1	16MBx1	96MB
64MBx1	32MBx1	16MBx1	16MBx1	128MB
64MBx1	64MBx1	32MBx1	32MBx1	192MB
64MBx1	64MBx1	64MBx1	64MBx1	256MB
128MBx1	64MBx1	64MBx1	64MBx1	320MB
128MBx1	128MBx1	64MBx1	64MBx1	384MB
128MBx1	128MBx1	128MBx1	0	384MB
128MBx1	128MBx1	128MBx1	128MBx1	512MB
256MBx1	0	0	0	256MB
256MBx1	256MBx1	0	0	512MB
256MBx1	256MBx1	256MBx1	0	768MB
256MBx1	256MBx1	256MBx1	256MBx1	1024MB

Warning! The 256MB DIMMs represented in the table are REGISTERED memory chips. DO NOT use registered and non-registered memory chips simultaneously! (Check with your memory dealer for more information). See www.tyan.com for latest memory compatibility information.

#### **Cache Memory**

Celeron processors have the L2 (Level 2) cache built into their architecture, so there is no need for an L2 cache on the motherboard. The Celeron processor has a physical L2 cache size of 128KB and a cacheable memory area of 512MB.



## 4. Installing the CPU and Cooling Fan

Pentium II or Pentium III processors (233 through 500MHz) can be used on the Tiger 100. Please refer to page 15 for the correct CPU jumper settings for your board. Remember:



The CPU is a sensitive electronic component and it can easily be damaged by static electricity. Do not touch the CPU pins with your fingers.

Before the CPU is installed, the motherboard must be placed on a flat surface. You should be able to insert the CPU with minimal, but firm, pressure. Do not press down hard on the CPU.

Currently, two types of cooling mechanisms are produced for Pentium II processors: active (figure 2-6a) and passive (figure 2-6b). These two types of cooling methods essentially perform the same function. The active cooler is equipped with a cooling fan and heat sink, while the passive cooler is simply a larger heat sink with no fan. The type of cooler used has no effect on performance, and both types can be installed in the Slot 1 connector on the Tiger 100 board.



Figure 2-6a



#### **Installing CPU Retention Modules**

Installation of a Pentium II processor requires a CPU retention module, which is first secured onto the motherboard. Tyan offers a variety of retention mechanisms for the different CPU types. See Appendix 1 for options.

Installation of SECC2 CPUs (Figure 2-7) with the retention modules require a little more attention and care. Instructions for SECC2 CPU installation can be found on pages 26-29.







To attach the retention module, place the motherboard on a flat surface. Locate the key pin on one end of the Pentium II slot on the board. Then carefully line up the key notch on the retention module with the key pin on the Pentium II slot (the key pin on the Pentium II slot indicates the correct orientation of the CPU) See Figure 2-8.



Figure 2-8 - Pentium II Slot Connector and Key Pin



Figure 2-9

Drop the retention module (Figure 2-9) down over the Pentium II slot so that the retention module sits flat against the motherboard. Tighten the screws in a clockwise manner to secure the module to the board. Warning: Do not overtighten the screws as you may damage the module and/or the motherboard.

#### Installing the CPU with Active Cooling

When the retention module is securely installed, you are ready to plug in the CPU. Press down firmly on the CPU until you hear a "click" (see Figure 2-10). This clicking sound indicates that the CPU is fully locked into the retention module. If you have an active cooler, you will also need to connect the CPU's cooling fan cable to the cooling fan power connector on the board.



Figure 2-10

Locate the cooling fan connector (e.g. FAN1) on the motherboard. Plug the CPU's cooling fan cable into the cooling fan connector on the board. There will be a plastic clip assembly similar to that of the ATX power connector that will force you to connect the fan cable correctly (see Figure 2-11 on the following page).

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Insert the heat sink mount into the holes on the motherboard. When the bracket is properly inserted into the holes on the motherboard, you will hear a clicking noise.

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### Figure 2-11

#### Installing the CPU with Passive Cooling

The installation of the CPU with passive cooling differs only slightly from that of the active. Your passive cooling package should contain one CPU retention module, one heat sink retention bracket with mounting locks, two mounting attachments, and one heat sink lock.Install the retention module as explained in the previous section.

The heat sink mount (Figure 2-12) has two pins on the bottom and four pins on the top. Notice that the bottom two pins are of different sizes. The size of the pins and the holes in the motherboard will determine the correct orientation. When the bracket is correctly installed, the four pins on top will be right next to the Slot 1 connector. s only slightly from that of in one CPU retention







Align the CPU with the CPU retention module. Make sure the heat sink is lined up with the heat sink mount bracket. If you put the CPU in the wrong way, you may damage the CPU, the motherboard, and/or the CPU socket. Slowly press down on the CPU module until the CPU locks into place. You will hear a clicking noise when the CPU is locked securely into the module.

The heat sink lock (Figure 2-13) has four notches which will correspond to the four pins on the heat sink mounting bracket. Gently slide the lock between the heat sink and the heat sink mounting bracket until both sides of the lock are firmly



secured. A clicking sound will be heard when the lock is securely fastened to the heat sink mounting bracket. To remove the lock from the heat sink mounting bracket, gently press the ends of the locks inward and pull.

Lock the heat sink mount to the board by inserting the two mounting locks (Figure 2-14) into the pins of the heat sink mounting bracket which are now below the mainboard. There will be a click when the locks are securely fastened.



#### **Removing the CPU.**

To remove the CPU, move the locks to the center of the CPU. A click will be heard when the CPU has been unlocked. Gently pull up on the CPU, taking care not to bend the motherboard or the CPU retention module.

To remove the lock from the retention module, gently press the ends of the locks inward and pull.

#### Installing SECC2 CPUs

The major physical difference between original Pentium II's (SEC) and new Pentium II/P-III (SECC-2) is the plastic CPU enclosure. As Figure 2-15 indicates, the plastic CPU enclosure covers the entire CPU card of regular Pentium II's. On the other hand, the plastic CPU enclosure covers only the side faces of the SECC2 Pentium II card.

Due to the physical differences in the SECC2 CPU, installing the retention modules requires a different technique than the ones previously discussed.

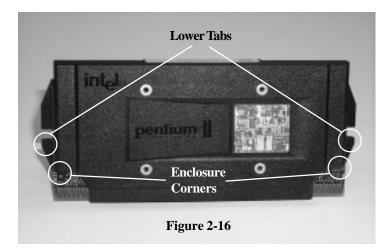
Figure 2-14



Figure 2-15

On both sides of the SECC-2 CPU reside the lower tabs of the aluminum heat sink and the bottom corners of the plastic CPU enclosure (see Figure 2-16). These tabs and corners should fit into the retention braces.

Warning: DO NOT first screw the retention braces onto the motherboard by themselves. If you do, you will have difficulties inserting the CPU into the retention braces and CPU slot.





Currently, the retention module recommended for securing the SECC2 CPU (including P-III & Celeron) is included in the motherboard package. The retention braces consist of two small components that resemble 'book-ends'. (See Figure 2-17)

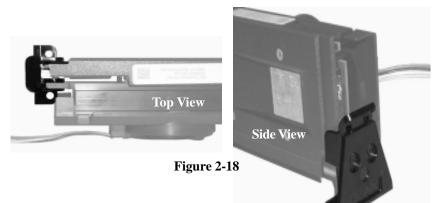
The first installation step is to set the retention braces properly against the

sides of the CPU. The lower tabs of the aluminum heat sink and the bottom corners of the plastic enclosure should loosely fit within the two slits of the braces.



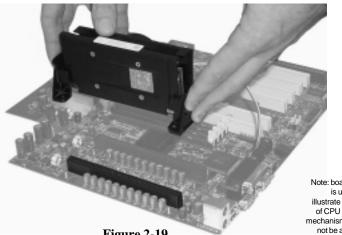
Figure 2-17

Figures 2-18 below show a top view and side view of a retention brace positioned against one side of the SECC2 CPU.



When both braces are properly positioned, press both braces against the sides of the CPU and carefully lift them over the CPU slot on the motherboard. Warning - Because the braces are loosely held against the CPU, they can easily fall off. You must hold both braces against the CPU while lifting all three components above the motherboard. (See Figure 2-19 on the following page.)

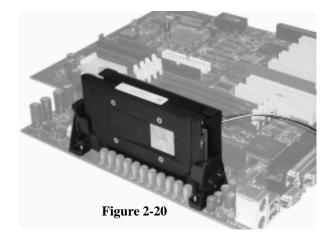




Note: board pictured is used only to illustrate installation of CPU & retention mechanism, and may not be a Tiger 100.

Figure 2-19

Be sure to line up the holes of the retention brace with the screws protruding from the motherboard. At the same time, make sure the CPU is lined up with the CPU slot. Lower the three components onto the motherboard. The screws on the motherboard should fit through the holes of the retention braces and the CPU should fit into the slot. Secure the retention braces with the nuts provided in the package. The end result should look like Figure 2-20.



When removing the CPU, unscrew the nuts on the retention braces and remove all three components at once. This may require careful firm tugs to pull the CPU out of its slot.



## 5. Connecting IDE and Floppy Drives

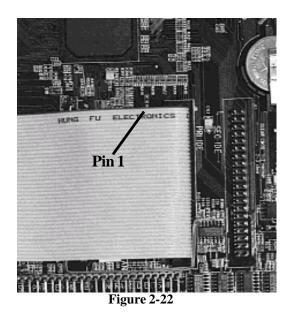
The colored stripe on a ribbon cable should face toward the battery on the motherboard. In Figure 2-21 below, you can see how the IDE cables should look when they are connected to your hard drive. Notice how Pin 1 (denoted by a red stripe) is connected so that it is next to the power connector of the drive. The primary IDE connector is black; the secondary IDE connector is white



In most cases, this is the proper way of connecting your IDE cable to the harddrive. Figure 2-22 on the following page shows the IDE cable properly connected to the motherboard. Contact your hard disk drive manufacturer or documentation for more information.

Some symptoms of incorrectly installed HDDs are:

- Hard disk drives are not auto-detected: may be a Master / Slave problem or a bad IDE cable. Contact your vendor.
- Hard Disk Drive Fail message at bootup: may be a bad cable or lack of power going to the drive.
- No video or beeps on bootup: usually means the cable is on backwards.
- Hard drive lights are constantly on: bad IDE cable or defective drives/motherboard. Try another HDD.
- Hard drives do not power up: check power cables and cabling. May also be a bad power supply or IDE drive.



#### **Connecting Floppy Drives**

Pin 1 on the floppy cable is usually denoted by a red or colored stripe down one side of the cable (see Figure 2-23 below). Most of the current floppy drives on the market require that the colored stripe be positioned so that it is right next to the power connector. In most cases, there will be a key pin on the cable which will force you to connect the cable properly.

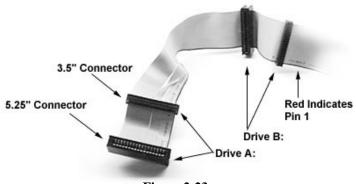


Figure 2-23

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Drive A: is usually attached to the end of the cable with the twist in it. Drive B: is usually connected to the middle of the cable. Refer to your installation instructions or call your dealer if you are unsure about attaching floppy drives. Refer to Figure 2-23 for a detailed anatomy of the floppy cable. Remember, you can only have 2 floppy drives connected at any given time.

The color stripe on the cable should face toward the top of your chassis, or toward the big white B printed on the motherboard. Please refer to your documentation for proper installation.

Some symptoms of incorrectly installed floppies are:

- Floppy drives are not detected: usually caused by faulty cables, backward cables, or a bad floppy or motherboard. Try another single floppy drive to verify the problem or try another cable. Also, check to see if the onboard floppy is enabled in the BIOS.
- Floppy Drive Fail message at bootup: the cable, floppy, or motherboard may be faulty. Try another cable or floppy drive to verify.
- Light on the floppy is on constantly: a dead giveaway that the cable is on backwards. Reverse the cable at the motherboard end and try again.

## 6. Connecting the Power Supply

Tyan recommends using an ATX power supply that conforms to industry standard revision 2.01. The Tomahawk BX/A+ motherboard comes equipped with one onboard power connector.

Figure 2-24 on the following page shows an ATX power connector. When plugging in the power connector, make sure that the plastic clip on the power connector is aligned with the plastic tab on the onboard connector (see Figure 2-25 on the following page).

warning

Make certain that you do not miss any pins because if you do, you will void your warranty and cause damage to yourself or your motherboard when you turn the system on. After connecting the power, make sure the connector is seated firmly into its socket so it will not become loose or fall off when the computer is jostled or moved.







Figure 2-25

## 7. Installing Add-on Cards

There are a few rules you need to follow when plugging in a card. In order to assure proper operation and a quick installation, adhere to these guidelines:

• If you are going to install a PCI-Bus interface card on your system, be aware that any one of the two PCI slots can support a Master or Slave device.



- NEVER force a card into a slot. If it doesn't fit, look at the socket on the computer to make sure there are no wires or other obstructions to the slot.
- NEVER plug an ISA card into a PCI slot or a PCI card in an ISA slot. You will void your warranty and damage your system board if you do this.
- When plugging the card in, especially when installing long cards, try to push the entire card in at one time. Don't force one end of the card into the socket first and then the other. This will create a rocking motion between the card and the slot and it will damage the pins within the socket.
- Make sure that the cards are seated securely into the slots.
- · Before turning on the system, make sure no cards are touching



If you follow these basic guidelines, there shouldn't be any problems with installation. However, if you do encounter any problems, have a qualified professional install your cards for you or contact your card manufacturer.

Remember, always read the manuals and installation notes that come with the adapter cards. They contain important information which will help you install the components right, the first time.

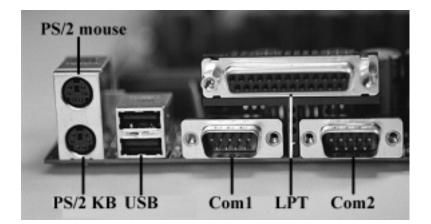
## 8. Connecting PS/2, USB, Serial & Parallel Devices

This board includes ports for USB, PS/2 mouse, and PS/2 keyboard devices. Note that, for this board, the PS/2 mouse port is the upper PS/2 port, and the PS/2 keyboard port is the lower PS/2 port.

The PS/2 connectors are probably quite familiar to you. The USB connectors, however, may be foreign. The USB (Universal Serial Bus) is a versatile port. This one port type can function as a serial, parallel, mouse, keyboard, or joystick port. It is fast enough to support video transfer, and is capable of supporting up to 127 daisy-chained peripheral devices.

#### **Connecting Com and Printer Ports**

**Warning:** When plugging in your keyboard and mouse, or when plugging anything into a serial or Com port, make sure that the power is off. Connecting these devices and ports while the power is on is called "hot plugging," and may damage your system.



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Figure 2-26 above shows the ATX double row connectors on this board. The Com and Printer ports, as well as the other ports, are labeled. Note: Only TYAN cables will work on this motherboard. If you are using an existing case with old cables, your system will not function properly. Use only TYAN-approved

#### You are done!

Other than checking the jumper settings and cable connections and putting the case back on, you are done. Installing a new motherboard may sound difficult, but by following these directions, you should have had a fairly uneventful time installing our products. If you did encounter problems, your dealer will be able to help you, or you can consult one of our many technical support resources (see page 8).

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

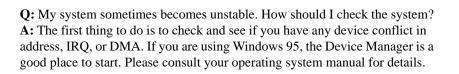
See the Tyan web site for more detailed FAQ.

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-Unbuffered

Q: Why don't I get a display after I put in my old DIMM module? A: The 440BX chipset requires the memory manufacturer to program an EEPROM chip with SPD (Serial Presence Detection) on the module in order for the BIOS to program the 440BX's timing registers properly. Your DIMM may not have the EEPROM chip on the module, or the EEPROM may not contain the correct program. Check with your memory vendor for details. The figure below shows a DIMM module with an EEPROM chip.



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168-pin DIMM



Second of all, slowing down the memory timing in the BIOS's chipset setup section will help the situation, as well. Many memory modules are not suitable for high performance systems and are probably the main source of your problem.

#### Q: Can I use EDO DIMMs on this motherboard?

A: No. The Intel 440BX AGPset does not support EDO memory. The 440BX AGPset supports bus speeds of 100MHz, and EDO memory does not. You must use SDRAM (which does support 100MHz bus speeds) on this board.

#### **Q:** What is AGP?

**A:** AGP (Accelerated Graphics Port) is a new bus architecture for 3D graphics. The AGP slot eliminates the PCI bandwidth bottleneck by bypassing the PCI interface and accessing the system memory directly. Currently, the AGP supports 1X and 2X modes, which yield bandwidths of 264MB/s (at 33MHz bus speed) and 533MB/s (at 66MHz bus speed), respectively. Compare this with the mere 132MB/s (at 33MHz bus speed) that you get with the PCI bus.

Q: Does my operating system support AGP?

A: Currently, only Windows 98 and Windows NT 5.0 will have built-in support for AGP. Some AGP cards require Windows 95 OSR2.1 or a special driver from Intel. Please check with your graphics vendor for more details.

Q: Will my motherboard run a PII/Celeron/Mendicino CPU? A:Yes, the BIOS version 1.07 supports Celeron 266-300MHz and the BIOS version 1.12 supports the Celeron-A (Mendocino) 300-333MHz.

**Q:** Can I run dual Celeron/Mendocino CPU's on this motherboard? **A:** No, both Celeron and Mendocino CPU's are not designed to function in dual CPU mode even on a dual slot motherboard.

#### **Q:** My system will not turn off - why?

**A:** The power button is designed to turn off the system ONLY when you press/hold the power button for more than 5 seconds. BIOS version 1.12 will provide an option for instant power-off.

Q: When I clear the BIOS with the jumper, it does not clear - why? A: In most cases, BIOS can be cleared by inserting jumper JP3 to the 2-3 position. In some cases, certain brands of power supply need to be UN-PLUGGED from a power source in order to clear the BIOS using jumper JP3.



Q: I'm getting a "motherboard resource conflict" - seen in Win95/98 Device Manager as a yellow Exclamation Mark image. How do I clear it up? A: More than likely, you have BIOS version 1.03. You need to install BIOS version 1.07 to resolve this problem.

**Q:** My Wake-On LAN network burned out my power supply. What should I do?

**A:** You need to use a power supply with 800ma at +5VSB power line. This is because most Wake-On LAN network cards require +5V 750 mA in sleep mode. We recommend our customer to purchase the ATX power supply with minimum 800 mA at +5V SB output to avoid over-current damage to the power supply.

**Q:** How can I disable the keyboard detection in the BIOS v.1.12? **A:** You need to enable the Quick Boot option in CMOS - then the BIOS will not check for a keyboard.





# **BIOS Configuration**

The AMIBIOS Setup screen is shown below.

AMI BIOS EASY SETUP UTILITY Ver.1.16 (c)1998 American Megatrends, Inc. All Rights Reserved			
Main Advanced Security Exit			
System Date Thu Oct 15 1998	Setup Help		
System Time 12:55:37			
	Month: Jan - Dec		
Floppy Drive A 1.44 MB 3½	Day: 01 - 31		
Floppy Drive B Not Installed	Year: 1901 - 2099		
Primary IDE Master Auto			
Primary IDE Slave Auto			
Secondary IDE Master Auto			
Secondary IDE Slave Auto			
Auto-Detect Hard Disks [Enter]			
Boot Sector Virus Protection Disabled			
	- Previous Item		
	- Next Item		
	-® Select Menu		
ESC:Exit Enter:Select F5:Setup Defaults F6:Original Values F10:Save & Exit			



Key	Function	
Tab	Moves from one box to the next	
Arrow keys	Changes selections within a box	
Enter	Opens highlighted selection	

You can select a Setup option by using the following keyboard keys:

The pages which follow contain explanations of the settings for the AMIBIOS Setup menus. Drawings have been included for ease of reference. Overall, the AMIBIOS Setup program is easy to use, and fairly intuitive. Note that the graphics in the manual are simpler than those that appear on your screen.

## 3.1 Main Setup

Select the AMIBIOS Setup options below by choosing Main Setup from the AMIBIOS Setup main menu. The Standard Setup menu screen is shown below.

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Main Advanced Security Exit			
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System Date	Fri Jan 1 1999	Setup Help	
System Time	12:55:37		
		Month: Jan - Dec	
Floppy Drive A	1.44 MB 3½	Day: 01 - 31	
Floppy Drive B	Not Installed	Year: 1901 - 2099	
Primary IDE Master			
Primary IDE Slave			
Secondary IDE Master			
Secondary IDE Slave	Auto		
Auto-Detect Hard Disks	[Enter]		
Boot Sector Virus Protection	Disabled		
		- Previous Item	
		- Next Item	
		-® Select Menu	
ESC:Exit Enter:Select F5:Setup Defaults F6:Original Values F10:Save & Exit			



#### System Date/Time

You can type the date and time in directly, or select the portion of the date or time that you want to modify and adjust it using the - <sup>-</sup> cursor keys. The clock runs on a 24-hour cycle (i.e. 1:00 PM is 13:00).

[ System Date Setting	
MM/DD/YY: Jan 1 1998	

[ System	Time	Setting ]
Current	Time	12:00:00

#### Floppy Drive A: and B:

Move the cursor to these fields via the arrow keys and select the floppy type. The settings are 360KB 5¼ inch, 1.2 MB 5¼ inch, 720KB 3½ inch, 1.44MB 3½ inch, or 2.88MB 3½ inch. If you are not sure what type of floppy drive you have, consult the documentation that came with your drive.

	0	PTI	ONS
Not	= 1	Ins	talled
360	)	KB	5¼
1.2	2	MB	5¼
72(	)	кв	3½
1.4	<b>4</b> 4	MB	3½
2.8	38	MB	3½

#### Primary Master, Primary Slave, Secondary Master, Secondary Slave

Select these options to configure the various drives. A screen with a list of drive parameters appears.

AMI BIOS EASY SETUP UTILITY Ver.1.16			
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PRIMARY IDE MASTER SETUP	Setup Help		
IDE Device Configuration AUTO	1-46: Predefined types USER: Set Parameters		
Cylinders Heads	by User AUTO: Set Parameters		
Write Precompensation	automatically		
Sectors Maximum Capacity	CD-ROM: Use for ATAPI CD-ROM drives		
LBA Mode Block Mode	Double click [AUTO] to set all HDD parameters		
Fast Programmed I/O Modes 32 Bit Transfer Mode ON	automatically		
32 Bit Transfer Mode ON			
Red Dark Batan Galact			
ESC:Back Enter:Select:Select Items F5:	Secup Deraults F6:Original Values		

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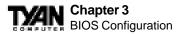
**IDE Device Configuration:** To have the BIOS autodetect the IDE drive, select Auto. Otherwise, you may choose one of the 46 drive types offered, or enter the parameters yourself (see Entering Drive Parameters on page 42). Consult the table below to see how to configure various drive types yourself.

Туре	How to Configure
SCSI	Select <i>Type</i> . Select <i>Not Installed</i> on the drive parameter screen. The SCSI drivers provided by the SCSI manufacturer should allow you to configure the SCSI drive.
IDE	Select <i>Type</i> . Select <i>Auto</i> to let AMIBIOS determine the parameters. Click on <i>OK</i> when AMIBIOS displays the drive parameters. Select <i>LBA Mode</i> . Select <i>On</i> if the drive has a capacity greater than 540MB. Select <i>Block Mode</i> . Select <i>On</i> to allow block mode data transfers. Select <i>32-Bit Mode</i> . Select <i>On</i> to allow 32-bit data transfers. Select the <i>PIO Mode</i> . It is best to select <i>Auto</i> to allow AMIBIOS to determine the PIO mode. If you select a PIO mode that is not supported by the IDE drive, the drive will not work properly. If you are absolutely certain that you know the drive's PIO mode, select PIO mode 0-4, as appropriate.
CD-ROM	Select <i>Type</i> . Select <i>CDROM</i> . Click on <i>OK</i> when AMIBIOS displays the drive parameters.
Standard MFM	(MFM drives are older IDEs which use an encoding scheme that produces slower data access and less storage room.) Select <i>Type</i> . You must know the drive parameters. Select the drive type that exactly matches your drive's parameters.
Non-Standard MFM	Select <i>Type</i> . If the drive parameters do not match the drive parameters listed for drive types 1-46, select <i>User</i> and enter the correct hard disk drive parameters.

**LBA/Large Mode:** These modes make it possible for the BIOS to take advantage of the additional space on drives which are larger than 504MB. This can be autodetected (when you select Auto for Type), or you can turn the modes On or Off yourself.

**Block Mode:** If On, Block Mode automatically detects the optimal number of block read/writes per sector that the drive can support.





**Fast Programmed I/O Modes:** Programmed Input/Output is a method of transmitting data between devices that uses the system's CPU as part of the data path. There are 6 modes - 5 with their own transmission speed and 1 auto mode. To use modes 3 and 4, you must be using an Enhanced IDE drive.

PIO Mode	Data Transfer Rate (MBps)
Auto	
0	3.3
1	5.2
2	8.3
3	11.1
4	16.6

**32bit Transfer Mode:** If On, allows for the transmission of 32 bits in parallel (i.e. at the same time). If Off, only 16 bits will be transmitted in parallel.

#### **Entering Drive Parameters**

If you select User for the drive Type, you can enter the hard disk drive parameters yourself. The drive parameters are as follows:

Parameter	Description
Туре	The number for a drive with certain identification parameters (see the next page for a table of drive types).
Cylinders (Cyl)	The number of cylinders in the disk drive.
Heads (Hd)	The number of heads.
Write Precompensation (WP)	The actual physical size of a sector gets progressively smaller as the track diameter diminishes. Yet, each sector must still hold 512 bytes. Write precompensation circuitry on the hard disk compensates for the physical difference in sector size by boosting the write current for sectors on inner tracks. This parameter is the track number on the disk surface where write precompensation begins.
Sectors (Sec)	The number of sectors per track. MFM drives have 17 sectors per track. RLL drives have 26 sectors per track. ESDI drives have 34 sectors per track. SCSI and IDE drives have even more sectors per track.
Size	The formatted capacity of the drive is the number of heads times the number of cylinders times the number of sectors per track times 512 (bytes per sector).

#### Auto-Detect Hard Disks

This option lets the system detect your hard disk(s) automatically for your convenience.

#### **Boot Sector Virus Protection**

The available settings for this option are 'Enable' and 'Disable'.

#### **Default Settings**

Every option in AMIBIOS Setup contains two default values: a Fail-Safe default and the Optimal default value. You can also choose to restore the original BIOS settings (i.e. those that your board came with) at any time. These options can be found in the 'Exit' menu.

#### **Optimal Defaults**

The Optimal default values provide optimum performance settings for all devices and system features.

#### **Fail-Safe Defaults**

The Fail-Safe default settings consist of the safest set of parameters. Use them if the system is behaving erratically. They should always work but do not

provide optimal system performance characteristics.

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Exit			
Exit Saving Changes [Enter]	Setup Help		
Exit Discarding Changes [Enter]	Tanà amérimmetian		
Load Optimal Settings [Enter]	Load configuration		
Load Fail Safe Settings [Enter]	settings giving		
Load Original Values [ Enter ]	highest performance.		
	- Previous Item		
	- Next Item		
	-® Select Menu		
ESC:Exit Enter:Select F5:Setup Defaults F6:Original	l Values F10:Save & Exit		





## 3.2 Advanced CMOS Setup

The Advanced Setup options included in the AMIBIOS Setup for the Tiger 100 are described in this chapter. Select Advanced Setup from the AMIBIOS Setup main menu to display the Advanced Setup options.

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Advanced		
Advanced CMOS Setup [ Enter ] Advanced Chipset Setup [ Enter ] Power Management Setup [ Enter ] Plug and Play Setup [ Enter ] Peripheral Setup [ Enter ] Change Language Setting English	Setup Help Advanced CMOS setup for configuring system options	
	- Previous Item - Next Item - Select Menu	
ESC:Exit Enter:Select F5:Setup Defaults F6:Origina	l Values F10:Save & Exit	

## **Advanced CMOS Setup Default Settings Chart**

Setting Option	Optimal Default	Fail-Safe Default
Quick Boot	Dis abled	Dis abled
Primary Master ARMD Emulated as	Auto	Auto
Primary Slave ARMD Emulated as	Auto	Auto
S econdary Master AR MD Emulated as	Auto	Auto
S econdary Slave ARMD E mulated as	Auto	Auto
1st B oot Device	Floppy	Floppy
2ndBoot Device	1st IDE-HDD	1st IDE - HDD
3rdBootDevice	AT AP I CDR OM	AT API CDR OM
T ry Other B oot Devices	Yes	Yes
Floppy Access Control	R ead-Write	R ead-Write
Hard Disk Access Control	R ead-Write	R ead-Write



#### Settings Chart (Continued)

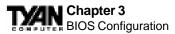
Setting Option	Optimal Default	Fail-Safe Default
S.M.A.R.T. for Hard Disks	Dis abled	Dis abled
Boot UpNum-Lock	On	On
PS/2MouseSupport	Enabled	Enabled
P rimary Dis play	VGA/E GA	VGA/EGA
P as s word Check	Setup	Setup
BootToOS/2	No	No
Internal Cache	WriteB ack	WriteB ack
System BIOS Cacheable	Enabled	Dis abled
Cache B us E CC	Enabled	Enabled
Default Primary Video	AGP	AGP
MPS Revision	1.1	1.1
C000,16K S hadow	Cached	Cached
C400,16K S hadow	Cached	Cached
C800,16K S hadow	Dis abled	Dis abled
CC00,16K Shadow	Dis abled	Dis abled
D000,16K S hadow	Dis abled	Dis abled
D400,16K Shadow	Dis abled	Dis abled
D800,16K S hadow	Dis abled	Dis abled
DC00,16K Shadow	Dis abled	Dis abled

### **Advanced Setup**

#### **Quick Boot**

Set this option to Enabled to instruct AMIBIOS to boot quickly when the computer is powered on. This option replaces the old Above 1 MB Memory Test Advanced Setup option. The settings are:

Setting	Description
Disabled	AMIBIOS tests all system memory. AMIBIOS waits up to 40 seconds for a READY signal from the IDE hard disk drive. AMIBIOS waits for .5 seconds after sending a RESET signal to the IDE drive to allow the IDE drive time to get ready again. AMIBIOS checks for a <del> key press and runs AMIBIOS Setup if the key has been pressed.</del>
Enabled	AMIBIOS does not test system memory above 1MB. AMIBIOS does not wait up to 40 seconds for a READY signal from the IDE hard disk drive. If a READY signal is not received immediately from the IDE drive, AMIBIOS does not configure that drive. AMIBIOS does not wait for .5 seconds after sending a RESET signal to the IDE drive to allow the IDE drive time to get ready again. You cannot run AMIBIOS Setup at system boot, because there is no delay for the <i>Hit</i> < <i>Del&gt;</i> to run Setup message.



#### Pri/Sec Master/Slave ARMD Emulated as

ATAPI Removable Media Disks (e.g. ZIP drives) are hybrid drives. They are removable, and can be used as floppy drives, but also have great capacity and so are sometimes used as hard drives. These four options ensure that, if you have an ARMD attached as a master or slave device, it can be properly detected by the system. The settings are Auto, Floppy, and Hard Disk.

#### **1st Boot Device**

This option sets the type of device for the first boot drive that the AMIBIOS attempts to boot from after AMIBIOS POST completes. The settings are Disabled, 1st IDE-HDD, 2nd IDE-HDD, 3rd IDE-HDD, 4th IDE-HDD, Floppy, ARMD-FDD, ARMD-HDD, ATAPI CDROM, SCSI, NETWORK, and I<sub>2</sub>O.

#### **2nd Boot Device**

This option sets the type of device for the second boot drive that the AMIBIOS attempts to boot from after AMIBIOS POST completes. The settings are Disabled, 1st IDE-HDD, 2nd IDE-HDD, 3rd IDE-HDD, 4th IDE-HDD, Floppy, ARMD-FDD, ARMD-HDD, ATAPI CDROM, and SCSI.

#### **3rd Boot Device**

This option sets the type of device for the third boot drive that the AMIBIOS attempts to boot from after AMIBIOS POST completes. The settings are Disabled, 1st IDE-HDD, 2nd IDE-HDD, 3rd IDE-HDD, 4th IDE-HDD, Floppy, ARMD-FDD, ARMD-HDD, ATAPI CDROM.

#### **Try Other Boot Devices**

Set this option to Yes to instruct AMIBIOS to attempt to boot from any other drive in the system if it cannot find a boot drive among the drives specified in the 1st Boot Device, 2nd Boot Device, and 3rd Boot Device options. The settings are Yes or No.

#### **Floppy Access Control**

This option specifies the read-write access that is set when booting from a floppy drive. The settings are Read-Write or Read-Only.

#### Hard Disk Access Control

This option specifies the read-write access that is set when booting from a hard disk drive. The settings are Read-Write or Read-Only.

#### S.M.A.R.T. for Hard Disks

Set this option to Enabled to permit AMIBIOS to use the SMART (System

Management and Reporting Technologies) protocol for reporting server system information over a network. Enabling this feature allows you to back up your data when your hard disk is about to fail. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### Boot Up Num-Lock

Set this option to Off to turn the Num Lock key off when the computer is booted so you can use the arrow keys on both the numeric keypad and the keyboard. The settings are On or Off.

#### PS/2 Mouse Support

Set this option to Enabled to enable AMIBIOS support for a PS/2-type mouse. The BIOS will allocate IRQ12 for the PS/2 mouse. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **Primary Display**

This option configures the type of monitor attached to the computer. The settings are Absent, VGA/EGA, CGA40x25, CGA80x25, or Mono.

#### Password Check

This option enables password checking every time the system boots or when you run AMIBIOS Setup. If Always is chosen, a user password prompt appears every time the computer is turned on. If Setup is chosen, the password prompt appears if AMIBIOS is executed.

#### Boot To OS/2

Set this option to Yes if you are running an OS/2 operating system and using more than 64 MB of system memory on the motherboard. The settings are Yes or No.

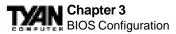
#### Internal Cache

This option sets the type of caching algorithm used by the L1 internal cache memory on the CPU. The settings are Disabled, WriteThru, or WriteBack.

#### System BIOS Cacheable

When set to Enabled, the contents of the F0000h system memory segment can be read from or written to cache memory. The contents of this memory segment are copied from the BIOS ROM to system RAM for faster execution. The settings are Enabled or Disabled. The Optimal default setting is Enabled.





#### **Cache Bus ECC**

When Enabled, this option permits ECC error checking on the L2 cache bus. This ensures that cached data is not improperly altered. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **Default Primary Video**

This option sets the primary video card as either AGP (Accelerated Graphics Port) card or a regular PCI video card. The settings are AGP or PCI.

#### **MPS Revision**

This option sets the Multi-Processor Symmetry. Then settings are 1.1 or 1.4.

#### C000,16K Shadow and C400,16K Shadow

These options specify how the 32 KB of video ROM at C0000h is treated. The settings are:

Setting	Description	
Disabled	The contents of the video ROM are not copied to RAM.	
Enabled	d The contents of the video ROM area from C000h-C7FFFh are copied (shadowed) from ROM to RAM for faster execution.	
Cached	The contents of the video ROM area from C000h-C7FFFh are copied from ROM to RAM and can be written to or read from cache memory.	

# C800,16K Shadow; CC00,16K Shadow; D000,16K Shadow; D400,16K Shadow; D800, 16K Shadow; and DC00,16K Shadow

These options enable shadowing of the contents of the ROM area named in the option. The ROM area not used by ISA adapter cards is allocated to PCI adapter cards. The settings are:

Setting	Description	
Disabled	The contents of the video ROM are not copied to RAM.	
Enabled	The contents of the designated ROM area are copied (shadowed) from ROM to RAM for faster execution.	
Cached	The contents of the designated ROM area are copied from ROM to RAM and can be written to or read from cache memory.	



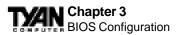
## 3.3 Chipset Setup

Choose Chipset Setup on the AMIBIOS Setup main menu. All Chipset Setup options are then displayed. AMIBIOS Setup can be customized. AMIBIOS Setup can be customized via AMIBCP. See the AMIBIOS Utilities Guide for additional information.

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Power Management Setup [ Enter ]	Advanced Chipset setup	
Plug and Play Setup [Enter]	for configuring	
Peripheral Setup [ Enter ]	chipset features	
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	- Previous Item	
	- Next Item	
	-® Select Menu	
ESC:Exit Enter:Select F5:Setup Defaults F6:Origina	l Values F10:Save & Exit	

## **Advanced Chipset Setup Default Settings Chart**

Setting Option	Optimal Default	Fail-Safe Default
USB Function	Dis abled	Dis abled
* USBKB/MouseLegacySupport	Dis abled	Dis abled
* P ort 64/60 E mulation	Dis abled	Dis abled
SERR#	Dis abled	Dis abled
PERR#	Dis abled	Dis abled
WS C# H ands hake	Enabled	Enabled
US WC Write P os t	Enabled	Enabled
Master LatencyTimer (Clks)	64	64
Multi-Trans Timer (Clks)	32	32
P CI1to P CI0 Access	Dis abled	Dis abled
Method of Memory Detection	Auto & S P D	Auto & S P D
DRAM IntegrityMode	ECCHardware	ECCHardware



#### Settings Chart (continued)

Setting Option	Optimal Default	Fail-Safe Default
DRAM RefreshRate	15.6 us	15.6 us
MemoryHole	Dis abled	Dis abled
SDRAM RAS# to CAS# Delay	3S CLKs	3S CLKs
SDRAM RAS# Precharge	3S CLKs	3S CLKs
Power Down SDRAM	Dis abled	Dis abled
ACP I Control R egis ter	Dis abled	Dis abled
Gated Clock	Dis abled	Dis abled
Graphics ApertureSize	64 MB	64 MB
Search for MDA Resources	Yes	Yes
AGP Multi-Trans Timer (AGP Clks)	32	Dis abled
AGP Low-PriorityTimer (Clks)	16	Dis abled
AGP SERR	Dis abled	Dis abled
AGP ParityError Response	Dis abled	Dis abled
8bit I/ORecoveryTime	Dis abled	Dis abled
16bit I/O R ecovery T ime	Dis abled	Dis abled
PIIX4SERR#	Dis abled	Dis abled
USB Passive Release	Enabled	Enabled
PIIX4PassiveRelease	Enabled	Enabled
PIIX4 Delayed Trans action	Dis abled	Dis abled
T ype F DMA B uffer Control1	Dis abled	Dis abled
T ype F DMA B uffer Control2	Dis abled	Dis abled
DMA-0Type	Normal IS A	Normal IS A
DMA-1T ype	Normal IS A	Normal IS A
DMA-2Type	Normal IS A	Normal IS A
DMA-3Type	Normal IS A	Normal IS A
DMA-4Type	Normal IS A	Normal IS A
DMA-5Type	Normal IS A	Normal IS A
DMA-6Type	Normal IS A	Normal IS A

\* Setting option not selectable.

#### **USB Function**

Set this option to Enabled to enable USB (Universal Serial Bus) support. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### USB KB/Mouse Legacy Support

Set this option to Enabled to enable support for older keyboards and mouse devices if the USB Function option is set to Enabled. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### Port 64/60 Emulation

Setting this option to Enabled allows a USB keyboard to act like a legacy keyboard. If this option is not Enabled, USB keyboard lights will not work under Windows NT. With other operating systems, a USB keyboard will work normally with this option Disabled. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### SERR#

Set this option to Enabled to enable the SERR# signal on the bus. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### PERR#

Set this option to Enabled to enable the PERR# signal on the bus. The settings are Enabled or Disabled. The Optimal and Fail-safe default settings are Disabled.

#### WSC# Handshake

Set this option to Enabled to enable handshaking for the WSC# signal. Handshaking is a form of encryption; see the Glossary for more information. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **USWC Write Post**

This option sets the status of USWC posted writes to I/O. USWC is a type of memory that is used by VGA devices. The settings are:

Setting	Description	
Enabled	USWC posted writes to I/O are enabled.	
Disabled	USWC posted writes to I/O are disabled.	

#### BX Master Latency Timer (Clks)

This option specifies the master latency timer (in PCI clocks) for devices in the computer. The settings are Disabled, 32, 64, 96, 128, 160, 192, or 224.

#### Multi-Trans Timer (Clks)

This option specifies the multi-trans latency timings (in PCI clocks) for devices in the computer. The settings are Disabled, 32, 64, 96, 128, 160, 192, or 224.



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#### PCI1 to PCI0 Access

Set this option to Enabled to enable access between two different PCI buses (PCI1 and PCI0). The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **Method of Memory Detection**

This option determines how your system will detect the type of system memory you have installed. Options are Auto+SPD or Auto only.

#### **DRAM Integrity Mode**

This option sets the type of system memory checking. The settings are:

Setting	Description	
Non ECC	No error checking or error reporting is done.	
EC	Errors are detected, but no corrections will be made.	
ECC Hardware	Errors are detected, and single bit errors are corrected.	

#### **DRAM Refresh Rate**

This option specifies the interval between refresh signals to DRAM system memory. The settings are 15.6 us (microseconds), 31.2 us, 62.4 us, 124.8 us, or 249.6 us.

#### **Memory Hole**

This option specifies the location of an area of memory that cannot be addressed on the ISA bus. The settings are Disabled, 512KB-640KB, or 15MB-16MB.

#### SDRAM RAS# to CAS# Delay

This option specifies the length of the a inserted between the RAS and CAS signals of the DRAM system memory access cycle if SDRAM is installed. The settings are Auto, 2 SCLKs or 3 SCLKs. The Optimal default setting is Auto.

#### SDRAM RAS# Precharge

(CHANGE) This option specifies the length of the RAS precharge part of the DRAM system memory access cycle when SDRAM system memory is installed in this computer. The settings are Auto, 2 SCLKs, or 3 SCLKs.

#### Power Down SDRAM

If this option is set to Enabled, the SDRAM Power Down feature is enabled. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.



#### **ACPI Control Register**

Set this option to Enabled to enable the ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface) control register. The settings are Enabled or Disabled. The Optimal and Fail-safe default settings are Enabled.

#### Gated Clock

Set this option to Enabled to enable the gated clock. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **Graphics Aperture Size**

This option specifies the amount of system memory that can be used by the Accelerated Graphics Port (AGP). The settings are 4 MB, 8 MB, 16 MB, 32 MB, 64 MB, 128 MB, or 256 MB.

#### Search for MDA Resources

Set this option to Yes to let AMIBIOS search for MDA resources. The settings are Yes or No.

#### AGP Multi-Trans Timer (AGP Clks)

This option sets the AGP multi-trans timer. The settings are in units of AGP Clocks. The settings are Disabled, 32, 64, 96, 128, 160, 192, or 224.

#### AGP Low-Priority Timer (Clks)

This option sets the AGP low priority timer. The settings are in units of AGP Clocks. The settings are Disabled, 16, 32, 48, 64, 80, 96, 112, 128, 144, 176, 192, 208, 224, or 240.

#### AGPSERR

Set this option to Enabled to enable the AGP SERR signal. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **AGP Parity Error Response**

Set this option to Enabled to enable AGP parity error response. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### 8bit I/O Recovery Time

This option specifies the length of a delay inserted between consecutive 8-bit I/O operations. The settings are Disabled and from 1 to 8 Sysclk (system clocks) in increments of one.

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#### 16bit I/O Recovery Time

This option specifies the length of a delay inserted between consecutive 16-bit I/O operations. The settings are Disabled and from 1 to 4 Sysclk (system clocks) in increments of one.

#### PIIX4 SERR#

Set this option to Enabled to enable the SERR# signal for the Intel PIIX4 chip. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **USB** Passive Release

Set this option to Enabled to enable passive release for USB. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **PIIX4** Passive Release

Set this option to Enabled to enable passive release for the Intel PIIX4e chip. This option must be Enabled to provide PCI 2.1 compliance. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### PIIX4 DELAYED TRANSACTION

Set this option to Enabled to enable delayed transactions for the Intel PIIX4 chip. This option must be Enabled to provide PCI 2.1 compliance. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### TypeF DMA Buffer Control1 and 2

These options specify the DMA channel where TypeF buffer control is implemented. The settings are Disabled, Channel-0, Channel-1, Channel-2, Channel-3, Channel-5, Channel-6, or Channel-7.

#### DMA-n Type

These options specify the bus that the specified DMA channel can be used on. The settings are Normal ISA, PC/PCI, or Distributed.

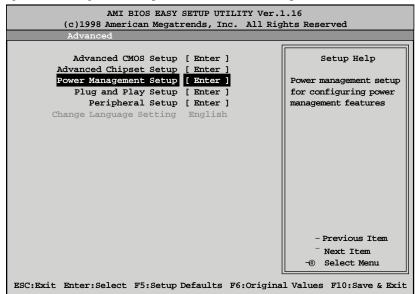
#### **CPU Bus Frequency**

This option provides selective CPU Bus Frequency; however, it is strongly recommended that the default setting (Auto) be selected. Unpredictable situations may arise if the Intel default CPU bus speed is not used. The settings are Auto, 66.8MHz, 68.5MHz, 75MHz, 83.3MHz, 100MHz, 103MHz, or 112MHz.



## 3.4 Power Management Setup

The AMIBIOS Setup options described in this section are selected by choosing Power Management Setup from the AMIBIOS Setup main menu.



## **Power Management Setup Default Settings Chart**

Setting Option	Optimal Default	Fail-Safe Default
ACPIAwareO/S	No	No
Power Management / APM	Enabled	Enabled
Power Button Function	On/Off	On/Off
Green P C Monitor P ower S tate	S us pend	S tand B y
Video Power Down Mode	S us pend	Dis abled
Hard Disk Power Down Mode	S us pend	Dis abled
Hard DiskTime Out (Minute)	Dis abled	Dis abled
PowerSavingType	Sleep	Sleep
S tandby / S us pend T imer Unit	4 min	4 min
S tandby T ime Out	Dis abled	Dis abled
S us pend T ime Out	Dis abled	Dis abled
SlowClock Ratio	50% - 62.5%	50% - 62.5%
Dis play Activity	Ignore	Ignore



Setting Option	Optimal Default	Fail-Safe Default
Device 6 (Serial port 1)	Monitor	Monitor
Device 7 (Serial port 2)	Monitor	Monitor
Device 8 (Parallel port)	Monitor	Monitor
Device 5 (Floppy disk)	Monitor	Monitor
Device 0 (Primary master IDE)	Monitor	Monitor
Device 1(Primarys lave IDE)	Monitor	Monitor
Device 2 (Secondary master IDE)	Monitor	Monitor
Device 3 (Secondaryslave IDE)	Monitor	Monitor
LAN Wake-up	Dis abled	Dis abled
PC98PowerLED	Dis abled	Dis abled
F an OF F at S us pend	Enabled	Enabled
RTCWake-up	Dis abled	Dis abled
*Hour	N/A	N/A
*Minute	N/A	N/A

\* Setting option not selectable.

#### ACPI Aware O/S

Set this option to Yes to enable Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) BIOS for an ACPI-aware operating system.

#### Power Management/APM

Set this option to Enabled to enable the chipset power management and APM (Advanced Power Management) features. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **Power Button Function**

This option specifies how the power button mounted externally on the computer chassis is used. See Soft Power Connector on page 18 for more information. The settings are shown in the table below.

Setting	Description
On/Off	Pushing the power button turns the computer on or off.
Suspend	Pushing the power button places the computer in Suspend mode or Full On power mode.

#### Green PC Monitor Power State

This option specifies the power state that the green PC-compliant video monitor enters when AMIBIOS places it in a power saving state after the

specified period of display inactivity has expired. The settings are Off, Stand By, or Suspend.

### Video Power Down Mode

This option specifies the power state that the video subsystem enters when AMIBIOS places it in a power saving state after the specified period of display inactivity has expired. The settings are Stand By, Suspend, or Disabled.

### Hard Disk Power Down Mode

This option specifies the power conserving state that the hard disk drive enters after the specified period of hard drive inactivity has expired. The settings are Disabled, Stand By, or Suspend.

### Hard Disk Time Out (Minute)

This option specifies the length of a period of hard disk drive inactivity. When this length of time expires, the computer enters power-conserving state specified in the Hard Disk Power Down Mode option (see above). The settings are Disabled, and from 1 to 15 minutes, in one minute intervals.

### Power Saving Type

There are several types of sleeping states within the general sleep state. This option allows you to choose how "asleep" you want your system to be. In deeper sleep modes, more energy is saved. However, upon waking up, the system must "reorient" itself, and reestablish control over the system's sleeping components. The settings are POS, Sleep, Stop Clock, and Deep Sleep. POS is the lightest sleep mode; Deep Sleep is the heaviest.

### Standby/Suspend Timer Unit

This option specifies the unit of time used for the Standby and Suspend time out periods. The settings are 4 msec, 4 sec, 32 sec, or 4 min.

### Standby Time Out

This option defines the length of time that the system, while in Full On state, must be inactive before it enters Standby mode. The settings are Disabled and from 4 minutes to 508 minutes, in increments of 4 minutes.

### Suspend Time Out

This option defines the length of time that the system, while in Standby mode, must be inactive before it enters Suspend mode. The settings are Disabled and from 4 minutes to 508 minutes, in increments of 4 minutes.

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#### **Slow Clock Ratio**

This option specifies the speed at which the system clock runs in the Standby Mode power saving state. The settings are expressed as a percentage of the normal CPU clock speed. The settings are 0-12.5%, 12.5%-25%, 25%-37.5%, 37.5%-50%, 50%-62.5%, 62.5%-75%, or 75-87.5%.

#### **Display Activity**

When set to Monitor, this option enables event monitoring on the video display. If set to Monitor and the computer is in a power saving state, display activity will cause the system to enter the Full On state. AMIBIOS reloads the Standby and Suspend time-out timers if display activity occurs. The settings are Monitor or Ignore.

#### Device n (Device identity)

When set to Monitor, these options enable event monitoring on the specified hardware interrupt request line. If set to Monitor and the computer is in a power saving state, any activity on the IRQ line will cause the system to enter the Full On state. AMIBIOS reloads the Standby and Suspend time-out timers if activity occurs on the specified IRQ line. The settings for each of these options are Monitor or Ignore.

#### LAN Wake-up

When this option is Enabled, the system will wake up when a signal is received on the Wake-on LAN header. In order for this wake up function to work, the system must have been brought up at least past the POST before it was last shut down (i.e. if you turn the system off before the POST, the registry will not be set, and the system will not be able to wake up using this function). This function requires an ATX 2.01 compliant power supply with 5V standby (STB5V) current of at least 800mA. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### PC98 Power LED

When this option is Enabled, your power LED will turn to yellow when your system is in Suspend mode. Note that if you do not have a two-color LED, your LED will turn off when the system is in Suspend mode if this option is set to Enabled. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### FAN OFF at Suspend

If this option is Enabled, the CPU fan will turn off when the system is in Suspend mode. If Disabled, the CPU fan will remain on while the system is in Suspend mode. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.



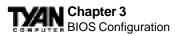
#### **RTC Wake-up**

If Enabled, this option allows you to set an hour and minute for the system to wake up. The next two fields allow you to choose the wake up time. Note that the time fields will not be available if this option is set to Disabled. In order for this wake up function to work, the system must have been brought up at least past the POST before it was last shut down (i.e. if you turn the system off before the POST, the registry will not be set, and the system will not be able to wake up using this function). The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

## 3.5 Plug and Play Setup

Choose PCI/Plug and Play Setup from the AMIBIOS Setup screen to display the PCI and Plug and Play Setup options, described below.

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Advanced		
Advanced CMOS Setup [Enter] Advanced Chipset Setup [Enter] Power Management Setup [Enter] Plug and Play Setup [Enter] Peripheral Setup [Enter]	Setup Help Configure PCI / Plug and Play features	
Change Language Setting English	- Previous Item	
	- Next Item -® Select Menu	
ESC:Exit Enter:Select F5:Setup Defaults F6:Original	l Values F10:Save & Exit	



### **Plug and Play Setup Default Settings Chart**

Setting Option	Optimal Default	Fail-Safe Default
Plug and Play Aware O/S	Yes	Yes
P CI Latency T imer (P CI Clocks)	64	64
P CI VGA P alette S noop	Dis abled	Dis abled
Allocate IR Q to P CI VGA	Yes	Yes
P CI IDE B us Master	Dis abled	Dis abled
OffBoard PCI IDE Card	Auto	Auto
*OffBoardPCIIDEPrimaryIRQ	Dis abled	Dis abled
*OffB oard P CI IDE Secondary IR Q	Dis abled	Dis abled
P CI S lot1IR Q P riority	Auto	Auto
P CI S lot2 IR Q P riority	Auto	Auto
P CI S lot3 IR Q P riority	Auto	Auto
P CI S lot4 IR Q P riority	Auto	Auto
DMA Channel 0	P nP	P nP
DMA Channel 1	P nP	P nP
DMA Channel 3	P nP	P nP
DMA Channel 5	PnP	P nP
DMA Channel 6	P nP	P nP
DMA Channel 7	P nP	P nP
IR Q3	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP
IR Q4	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP
IR Q5	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP
IR Q7	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP
IR Q9	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP
IR Q10	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP
IR Q11	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP
IR Q12	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP
IR Q14	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP
IR Q15	P CI/P nP	P CI/P nP

\* Setting option is not selectable



#### Plug and Play Aware O/S

Set this option to Yes to inform AMIBIOS that the operating system can handle plug and Play (PnP) devices. The settings are No or Yes.

#### PCI Latency Timer (PCI Clocks)

This option specifies the latency timings (in PCI clocks) for PCI devices installed in the PCI expansion slots. The settings are 32, 64, 96, 128, 160, 192, 224, or 248.

#### PCI VGA Palette Snoop

When this option is set to Enabled, multiple VGA devices operating on different buses can handle data from the CPU on each set of palette registers on every video device. Bit 5 of the command register in the PCI device configuration space is the VGA Palette Snoop bit (0 is disabled). For example, if there are two VGA devices in the computer (one PCI and one ISA) and this field is set for:

Setting	Description
Disabled	Data read and written by the CPU is only directed to the PCI VGA device's palette registers.
Enabled	Data read and written by the CPU is directed to the both the PCI VGA device's palette registers and the ISA VGA device palette registers, permitting the palette registers of both devices to be identical.

This option must be set to Enabled if any ISA adapter card installed in the system requires VGA palette snooping.

#### Allocate IRQ to PCI VGA

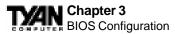
Set this option to Yes to allocate an IRQ to the VGA device on the PCI bus. The settings are Yes or No.

#### PCI IDE BusMaster

Set this option to Enabled to specify that the IDE controller on the PCI bus has bus mastering capability. The settings are Disabled or Enabled.

#### **OffBoard PCI IDE Card**

This option specifies whether or not an offboard PCI IDE controller adapter card is used in the computer, and where it is installed. If an offboard PCI IDE controller is used, the motherboard onboard IDE controller is automatically disabled. The settings are Auto and Slot1 through Slot6. If Auto is selected, AMIBIOS automatically determines the correct setting (including using the onboard controller if no offboard controller card is detected). This option forces IRQ 14 and 15 to a PCI slot on the PCI local bus. This is necessary to



support non-compliant PCI IDE adapter cards.

#### **OffBoard PCI IDE Primary IRQ**

This option specifies the PCI interrupt used by the primary IDE channel on the offboard PCI IDE controller. The settings are Disabled, Hardwired, INTA, INTB, INTC, or INTD.

#### Offboard PCI IDE Secondary IRQ

This option specifies the PCI interrupt used by the secondary IDE channel on the offboard PCI IDE controller. The settings are Disabled, Hardwired, INTA, INTB, INTC, or INTD.

#### PCI Slot n IRQ Priority

These options specify the IRQ priority for PCI devices installed in the PCI devices installed in the PCI expansion slots. The settings are Auto, IRQ 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, and 11, in priority order.

#### DMA Channel n

These options allow you to specify the bus type used by each DMA channel. The settings are PnP or ISA/EISA.

#### IRQn

These options specify the bus that the specified IRQ line is used on. These options allow you to reserve IRQs for legacy ISA adapter cards. These options determine if AMIBIOS should remove an IRQ from the pool of available IRQs passed to devices that are configurable by the system BIOS. The available IRQ pool is determined by reading the ESCD NVRAM. If more IRQs must be removed from the pool, you can use these options to reserve the IRQ by assigning an ISA/EISA setting to it. Onboard I/O is configured by AMIBIOS. All IRQs used by onboard I/O are configured as PCI/PnP. IRQ12 only appears if the Mouse Support option in Advanced Setup is set to Disabled. IRQ14 and 15 will not be available if the onboard PCI IDE is enabled. If all IRQs are set to ISA/EISA and IRQ14 and 15 are allocated to the onboard PCI IDE, IRQ9 will still be available for PCI and PnP devices, because at least one IRQ must be available for PCI and PnP devices. The settings are ISA/EISA or PCI/PnP.

#### **Reserved Memory Size**

This option specifies the size of the memory area reserved for legacy ISA adapter cards. The settings are Disabled, 16K, 32K, or 64K.



#### **Reserved Memory Address**

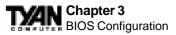
This option specifies the beginning address (in hex) of the reserved memory area. The specified ROM memory area is reserved for use by legacy ISA adapter cards. This option does not appear if the Reserved Memory Size option is set to Disabled. The settings are C0000, C4000, C8000, CC000, D0000, D4000, D8000, or DC000.

#### **PCI Device Search Order**

This option changes the BIOS scan order of the PCI slot - from first to last or last to first. The settings are First-Last or Last-First.

#### **BIOS Devnode for Shadow RAM**

This option is used for some add-on card ROMs which do not claim the correct memory range that they occupy. The settings are Disabled or Enabled.



## 3.6 Peripheral Setup

Peripheral Setup options are displayed by choosing Peripheral Setup from the AMIBIOS Setup main menu. All Peripheral Setup options are described here.

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	- Previous Item <sup>-</sup> Next Item	
ESC:Exit Enter:Select F5:Setup Defaults F6:Origina	-® Select Menu l Values F10:Save & Exit	

### **Peripheral Setup Default Settings Chart**

Setting Option	Optimal Default	Fail-Safe Default
Power Interruption	Dis abled	Dis abled
Overclock Warning Message	Enabled	Enabled
LM79 INO	2.06	2.06
LM79 IN1	2.04	2.04
LM79 IN2	3.32	3.32
LM79 IN3	5.16	5.16
LM79 IN4	11.91	11.91
LM79 IN5	-11.81	- 11.81
LM79 IN6	-5.13	-5.13
Onboard F D C	Auto	Auto
Onboard Serial Port 1	3F 8h	3F 8h
Onboard Serial Port 2	2F 8h	2F 8h
Serial Port 2 Mode	Normal	Normal
*IR Duplex Mode	N/A	N/A



#### **Default Settings Chart (Continued)**

Setting Option	Optimal Default	Fail-Safe Default
*IR Receiver Pin	IR R X 1	IR R X1
Onboard Parallel Port	378	378
P arallel P ort Mode	Normal	Normal
*EPP Version	N/A	N/A
P arallel P ort IR Q	7	7
*P arallel P ort DMA Channel	N/A	N/A
OnboardIDE	Both	Both

\* Setting Option is not Selectable

#### **Overclock Warning Message**

When enabled, this option sends a warning message if the CPU is overclocked. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### LM79 IN(X)

This option specifies various CPU core voltage settings.

#### **Power Interruption**

The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

#### **Onboard FDC**

Set this option to Enabled to enable the floppy drive controller on the motherboard. The settings are Auto, Enabled, or Disabled.

#### **Onboard Serial Port1**

This option specifies the base I/O port address of serial port 1. The settings are Auto, Disabled, 3F8h, 2F8h, 3E8h, or 2E8h.

#### **Onboard Serial Port2**

This option specifies the base I/O port address of serial port 2. The settings are Auto, Disabled, 3F8h, 2F8h, 3E8h, or 2E8h.

#### Serial Port2 Mode

This option specifies the operating mode for serial port 2. This option will not appear if the Onboard Serial Port2 option is set to Disabled, or is set to Auto and your system does not have an onboard serial port 2. The settings are Normal, Sharp-IR, IrDA, and Consumer.

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#### **IR** Transmission Mode

This option specifies the infrared transmission method. This option will not appear if the Serial Port2 Mode option is set to Normal. The settings are Full or Half.

Mode	Description
Full Duplex	Data is transmitted in two directions at once. Any data you send will not appear on your screen until it has been received by the other device and sent back to you. Full duplex is the faster of the two modes.
Half Duplex	Data is transmitted in only one direction at a time. Any data you send will be instantly displayed on your screen. Half duplex mode is easier for the devices to execute. Not all IR-capable devices can handle full duplex mode.

#### **IR Receiver Pin**

This option specifies which pin will act as the receiver for IR data transmission. This option will not appear if the Serial Port2 Mode option is set to Normal. The only setting is IRRX1.

#### **OnBoard Parallel Port**

This option specifies the base I/O port address of the parallel port on the motherboard. The settings are Auto, Disabled, 378, or 278.

#### **Parallel Port Mode**

This option specifies the parallel port mode. The settings are:

Setting	Description
Normal	The normal parallel port mode is used.
Bi-Dir	Use this setting to support bidirectional transfers on the parallel port.
EPP	The parallel port can be used with devices that adhere to the Enhanced Parallel Port (EPP) specifications. EPP uses the existing parallel port signals to provide asymmetric bidirectional data transfer driven by the host device.
ECP	The parallel port can be used with devices that adhere to the Extended Capabilities Port (ECP) specifications. ECP uses the DMA protocol to achieve data transfer rates of up to 2.5 Megabits per second. ECP provides symmetric bidirectional communication.

#### **EPP Version**

This option specifies the Enhanced Parallel Port specification version number that is used in the system. This option only appears if the Parallel Port Mode option is set to EPP. The settings are 1.7 or 1.9. Version 1.9 is common on



newer devices; consult your device's user information for the appropriate port type. There are no default settings.

#### Parallel Port IRQ

This option specifies the IRQ used by the parallel port, and only appears if OnBoard Parallel Port is set to 278 or 378. The settings are 5 or 7.

#### Parallel Port DMA Channel

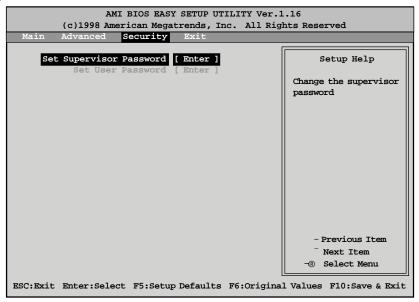
This option is only available if the setting for the Parallel Port Mode option is set to ECP and the OnBoard Parallel Port option is set to 378, 278, or 3BC. This option sets the DMA channel used by the parallel port. The settings are 0 through 7 in increments of one.

#### **Onboard IDE**

This option specifies the IDE channel used by the onboard IDE controller. The settings are Disabled, Primary, Secondary, or Both.

## 3.7 Supervisor and User Security

You can limit access to the Setup Program or to the system using the Supervisor and User password options (the Supervisor password gives you access to the Setup Program and the system; the User password, only to the system). Note that you must create a supervisor password before you create a user password.



When you select the Supervisor Security option, a dialog box will appear, allowing you to enter a password. You may either type the password in, or click on the onscreen buttons. Your password must be between one and six characters long.

Once you have entered your new password, you will be asked to confirm it. If the two passwords do not match, you will be prompted to enter a new password, and then to confirm it. This will continue until you enter the same series of characters both times. Once this is accomplished, a dialog box will appear and notify you that the Supervisor Password has been installed. You may then select the User Security option and enter a password for the user. You can enter a new User password at any time simply by selecting the User Security option, and typing in a new password. To enter a new Supervisor password, select the Supervisor Security option. You will be asked to enter the current password. After you do so, you will be prompted to enter the new password.

In either the Supervisor or User Security options, pressing <Enter> once when asked for a new password, and a second time when asked to confirm the new password, will uninstall the existing password. Note that uninstalling the Supervisor password uninstalls the User password as well.

## 3.8 Language Utility

Currently, the BIOS Setup program is available only in English.

## 3.9 Flash Writer Utility

The AMI Flash Writer Utility is now included in the AMIBIOS, and so it is simpler to upgrade the BIOS of your mainboard. The system BIOS is stored on a flash EEPROM ROM chip on the mainboard which can be erased and reprogrammed by following the directions on the following page.

1. From the DOS prompt, rename the BIOS file that you have downloaded to "amiboot.rom" and copy it on to a floppy disk.

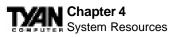
2. Insert the floppy disk with the BIOS upgrade into the A: drive.

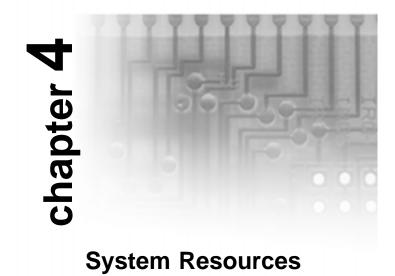
3. Turn the power off.

4. While holding the <Ctrl> and <Home> keys, turn the power on. The system will begin to read from the A: drive, and write the BIOS information contained on the floppy disk in that drive to the EEPROM ROM chip. When the BIOS has been totally reprogrammed, the system will reboot with the new BIOS in operation.

5. If the system does not reboot in three minutes, power down the system wait a few seconds, and then turn the power back on again. You will be prompted to press  $\langle F1 \rangle$  to run Setup. You may check your settings at this time, or simply save and exit the program.







## **Beep Codes**

Fatal errors, which halt the boot process, are communicated through a series of audible beeps. If AMIBIOS POST can initialize the system video display, it displays the error message. Displayed error messages, in most cases, allow the system to continue to boot. Displayed error messages are described on pages 72-73. See the top of the next page for the beep code chart.

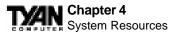


Beeps	Error Message	Description
1	Refresh Failure	The memory refresh circuitry is faulty.
2	Parity Error	Parity error in the base memory (the first 64 KB block) of memory.
3	Base 64 KB Memory Failure	Memory failure in first 64 KB.
4	Timer Not Operational	A memory failure in the first 64 KB of memory, or Timer 1 is not functioning.
5	Processor Error	The CPU generated an error.
6	8042 - Gate A20 Failure	Cannot switch to protected mode.
7	Processor Exception Interrupt Error	The CPU on the CPU Card generated an exception interrupt.
8	Display Memory Read/Write Error	The system video adapter is either missing or its memory is faulty. This is not a fatal error.
9	ROM Checksum Error	The ROM checksum value does not match the value encoded in AMIBIOS.
10	CMOS Shutdown Register Read/Write Error	The shutdown register for CMOS RAM has failed.
11	Cache Memory Bad — Do Not Enable Cache	The cache memory test failed. Cache memory is disabled. Do not press <ctrl> <alt> <shift> &lt;+&gt; to enable cache memory.</shift></alt></ctrl>

## **Troubleshooting System Problems**

## If the computer beeps... then...

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## **Displayed Error Messages**

If an error occurs after the system display has been initialized, the error message will be displayed as follows:

ERROR Message Line 1 ERROR Message Line 2 Press <F1> to continue

and the system will halt. The system will not halt if the Wait for  $\langle F1 \rangle$  If Any Error option in Advanced Setup is Disabled.

RUN SETUP UTILITY

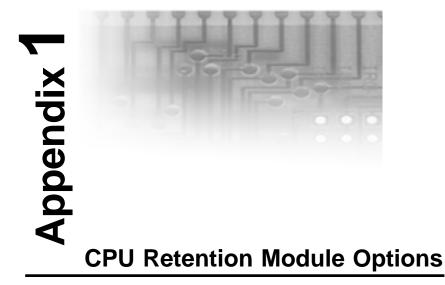
may also appear. Press <F1> to run WINBIOS Setup if this message appears.

Error Message	Explanation
8042 Gate-A20 Error	Gate A20 on the keyboard controller (8042) is not working. Replace the 8042.
Address Line Short!	Error in the address decoding circuitry.
C: Drive Error	No response from drive C:. Run the AMIDiag Hard Disk Utility. Check the C: hard disk type in Standard Setup.
C: Drive Failure	No response from hard disk drive C:. Replace the drive.
Cache Memory Bad, Do Not Enable Cache!	Cache memory is defective. Run AMIDiag.
CH-2 Timer Error	An AT system has two timers. There is an error in timer 2.
CMOS Battery State Low	CMOS RAM is powered by a battery. The battery power is low. Replace the battery.
CMOS Checksum Failure	CMOS RAM checksum is different than the previous value. Run WINBIOS Setup.
CMOS System Options Not Set	The values stored in CMOS RAM have been destroyed. Run WINBIOS Setup.
CMOS Display Type Mismatch	The video type in CMOS RAM does not match the type detected. Run WINBIOS Setup.
CMOS Memory Size Mismatch	The amount of memory found by AMIBIOS is different than the amount in CMOS RAM. Run WINBIOS Setup.
CMOS Time and Date Not Set	Run Standard Setup to set the date and time.
D: Drive Error	No response from drive D:. Run the AMIDiag Hard Disk Utility. Check the hard disk type in Standard Setup.



Error Message	Explanation
D: drive failure	No response from hard disk drive D:. Replace the drive.
Diskette Boot Failure	The boot diskette in drive A: cannot be used to boot the system. Use another boot diskette and follow the screen instructions.
Display Switch Not Proper	Some systems require a video switch be set to either color or monochrome. Turn the system off, set the switch properly, then power on.
DMA Error	Error in the DMA controller.
DMA 1 Error	Error in the first DMA channel.
DMA 2 Error	Error in the second DMA channel.
FDD Controller Failure	AMIBIOS cannot communicate with the floppy disk drive controller. Check all appropriate connections after the system is powered down.
HDD Controller Failure	AMIBIOS cannot communicate with the hard disk drive controller. Check all appropriate connections after the system is powered down.
INTR1 Error	Interrupt channel 1 failed POST.
INTR2 Error	Interrupt channel 2 failed POST.
Invalid Boot Diskette	AMIBIOS can read the diskette in floppy drive A:, but it cannot boot the system with it. Use another boot diskette and follow the screen instructions.
Keyboard Is LockedUnlock It	The keyboard lock on the system is engaged. The system must be unlocked to continue to boot.
Keyboard Error	The keyboard has a timing problem. Make sure a Keyboard Controller AMIBIOS is installed. Set Keyboard in Advanced Setup to Not Installed to skip the keyboard POST routines.
KB/Interface Error	There is an error in the keyboard connector.
No ROM BASIC	Cannot find a proper bootable sector on either drive A: or C: AMIBIOS cannot find ROM Basic.
Off Board Parity Error	Parity error in memory installed on an adapter card in an expansion slot. The format is: OFF BOARD PARITY ERROR ADDR = (XXXX) XXXX is the hex address where the error occurred. Run AMIDiag to find and correct memory problems.
On Board Parity Error	Parity error in motherboard memory. The format is: ON BOARD PARITY ERROR ADDR = (XXXX) XXXX is the hex address where the error occurred. Run AMIDiag to find and correct memory problems.
Parity Error ????	Parity error in system memory at an unknown address. Run AMIDiag to find and correct memory problems.

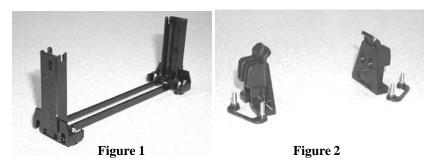




Tyan offers two different options for securing Intel's Pentium II CPUs onto the motherboard. Each option provides retention for both older Pentium II's as well as newer Pentium II's (including Celeron).

#### **OPTION 1:**

Two different types of retention modules are included in the motherboard package. For older versions of Pentium II (SEC style), use the retention module shown in Figure 1. For newer versions of Pentium II & P-III and Celeron (SECC-2), use the retention module shown in Figure 2. (Screws for the retention modules are provided.)





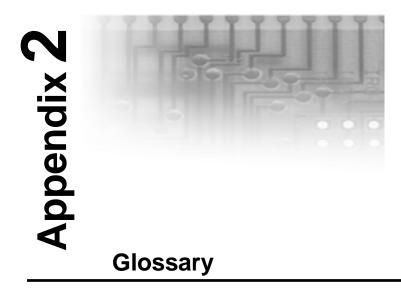
#### **OPTION 2:**

One universal retention module is included in the motheboard package. This type of retention module adapts to both old and new Pentium II CPUs - see Figure 3. (Screws for the retention modules are provided)



Figure 3





**ACPI** (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface) is a power management specification that allows the operating system to control the amount of power distributed to the computer's devices. Devices not in use can be turned off, reducing unnecessary power expenditure.

AGP (Accelerated Graphics Port) is a PCI-based interface which was designed specifically for demands of 3D graphics applications. The 32-bit AGP channel directly links the graphics controller to the main memory. While the channel runs at only 66MHz, it supports data transmission during both the rising and falling ends of the clock cycle, yielding an effective speed of 133MHz.

The AT was the original form factor of IBM's PC.

**ATAPI** (**AT** Attachment **P**acket Interface), also known as IDE or ATA, is a drive implementation that includes the disk controller on the device itself. It allows CD-ROMs and tape drives to be configured as master or slave devices, just like hard drives.

The **ATX** form factor was designed to replace the AT form factor. It improves on the AT design by rotating the board ninety degrees, so that the IDE connectors are closer to the drive bays, and the CPU is closer to the power



supply and cooling fan. The keyboard, mouse, serial, USB, and parallel ports are built in.

**Bandwidth** refers to carrying capacity. The greater the bandwidth, the more data the bus, phone line, or other electrical path, can carry. Greater bandwidth, then, also results in greater speed.

A **BBS** (Bulletin Board System) is a computer system with a number of modems hooked up to it which acts as a center for users to post messages and access information.

The **BIOS** (Basic Input/Output System) program resides in the ROM chip, and provides the basic instructions for controlling your computer's hardware. Both the operating system and application software use BIOS routines to ensure compatibility.

A **buffer** is a portion of RAM which is used to temporarily store data, usually from an application, though it is also used when printing, and in most keyboard drivers. The CPU can manipulate data in a buffer before copying it, all at once, to a disk drive. While this improves system performance--reading to or writing from a disk drive a single time is much faster than doing so repeatedly--there is the possibility of losing your data should the system crash. Information stored in a buffer is temporarily stored, not permanently saved.

A **bus** is a data pathway. The term is used especially to refer to the connection between the processor and system memory, and between the processor and PCI or ISA local buses.

**Bus mastering** allows peripheral devices and IDEs to access the system memory without going through the CPU (similar to DMA channels).

A **cache** is a temporary storage area for data that will be needed often by an application. Using a cache lowers data access times, since the needed information is stored in the SRAM instead of in the slower DRAM. Note that the cache is also much smaller than your regular memory: a typical cache size is 512KB, while you may have as much as 1GB of regular memory.

**Cache size** refers to the physical size of the cache onboard. This should not be confused with the cacheable area, which is the total amount of memory which can be scanned by the system in search of data to put into the cache. A typical setup would be a cache size of 512KB, and a cacheable area of 512MB.



In this case, up to 512MB of the main memory onboard is capable of being cached. However, only 512KB of this memory will be in the cache at any given moment. Any main memory above 512MB could never be cached.

**Closed and open jumpers** Jumpers and jumper pins are active when they are On or Closed, and inactive when they are Off or Open.

**CMOS** Complementary Metal-Oxide Semiconductors are chips that hold the basic start-up information for the BIOS.

The **COM port** is another name for the serial port, which is so-called because it transmits the eight bits of a byte of data along one wire, and receives data on another single wire (that is, the data is transmitted in serial form, one bit after another). Parallel ports transmit the bits of a byte on eight different wires at the same time (that is, in parallel form, eight bits at the same time).

**DIMM D**ual In-line Memory Modules are a faster and more capacious form of RAM than SIMMs, and do not need to be installed in pairs.

**DIMM bank** DIMM banks are sometimes called DIMM sockets, because the physical slot and the logical unit are the same. That is, one DIMM module fits into one DIMM socket, which is capable of acting as a memory bank.

**DMA Direct Memory Access channels are similar to IRQs. DMA channels allow** hardware devices (like sound cards or keyboards) to access the main memory without involving the CPU. This frees up CPU resources for other tasks. As with IRQs, it is vital that you do not double up devices on a single line. Plug and Play devices will take care of this for you.

In **Doze mode**, only the CPU's speed is slowed.

**DRAM D**ynamic **RAM** is a widely available, very affordable form of RAM which has the unfortunate tendency to lose data if it is not recharged regularly (every few milliseconds). This refresh requirement makes DRAM slower three to ten times slower than non-recharged RAM such as SRAM.

**EDO RAM** (Extended **D**ata-**O**ut **RAM**) speeds access to memory locations by assuming that memory addresses are static: the next time it looks for a bit of data, it will be at the same spot, or one nearby.

EEPROM Electrically Erasable Programmable ROM, also called Flash BIOS, is a



ROM chip which can, unlike normal ROM, be updated. This allows you to keep up with changes in the BIOS programs without having to buy a new chip. TYAN's BIOS updates can be found at http://www.tyan.com/html/drivers.html

**ESCD** (Extended System Configuration Data) is a format for storing information about Plug and Play devices in the system BIOS. This information helps properly configure the system each time it boots.

Firmware is low level software that controls the system hardware.

**Form factor** is an industry term for the size, shape, power supply type, and external connector type of the PCB (personal computer board) or motherboard. The standard form factors are the AT and ATX, although TYAN also makes some Baby-AT boards.

A Global timer is an onboard hardware timer, such as the Real Time Clock.

**Handshaking** is a form of encryption. One system, typically the server, sends an encryption scheme to another agent, typically a client. Thus, the client's data is protected during transmittal to the server.

HDD stands for Hard Disk Drive.

**H-SYNC** controls the horizontal properties of the monitor.

IC (Integrated Circuit) is the formal name for the computer chip.

**IDE** Integrated **D**evice (or Drive) Electronics is a simple, self-contained hard drive interface. It can handle drives up to 8.4GB in size. Almost all IDEs sold now are in fact Enhanced IDEs (EIDEs).

IDE INT (IDE Interrupt) is a hardware interrupt signal that goes to the IDE.

**I/O** Input/Output is the connection between your computer and another piece of hardware (mouse, keyboard, etc.).

**IRQ** An Interrupt Request is an electronic request that runs from a hardware device to the CPU. The interrupt controller assigns priorities to incoming requests and delivers them to the CPU. It is important that there is only one device hooked up to each IRQ line; doubling up devices on IRQ lines can lock up your system. Happily, Plug and Play operating systems take care of these



details for you.

**ISA** stands for **I**ndustry **S**tandard **A**rchitecture. ISA is a slower 8- or 16-bit BUS (data pathway).

**Latency** is the amount of time that one part of a system spends waiting for another part to catch up. This is most common when the system sends data out to a peripheral device, and is waiting for the peripheral to send some data back (peripherals tend to be slower than onboard system components).

**NVRAM** ROM and EEPROM are both examples of **N**on-**V**olatile **RAM**, memory that holds its data without power. DRAM, in contrast, is volatile.

**OEMs** (Original Equipment Manufacturers) like Compaq or IBM package other companies' motherboards and hardware inside their case and sell them.

The **parallel port** transmits the bits of a byte on eight different wires at the same time (that is, in parallel form, eight bits at the same time).

**PCI** stands for **P**eripheral Component Interconnect. PCI is a 32-bit local bus (data pathway) which is faster than the ISA bus. Local buses are those which operate within a single system (as opposed to a network bus, which connects multiple systems).

The **PCI PIO** (**PCI P**rogrammable Input/Output) modes are the data transfer modes used by IDE drives. These modes use the CPU for data transfer (DMA channels do not). PCI refers to the type of bus used by these modes to communicate with the CPU.

**PCI-to-PCI bridge** allows you to connect multiple PCI devices onto one PCI slot.

**Pipeline burst SRAM** is a fast secondary cache. It is used as a secondary cache because SRAM is slower than SDRAM, but usually larger. Data is cached first to the faster primary cache, and then, when the primary cache is full, to the slower secondary cache.

**Pipelining** improves system performance by allowing the CPU to begin executing a second instruction before the first is completed. A pipeline can be likened to an assembly line, with a given part of the pipeline repeatedly executing a set part of an operation on a series of instructions.



**PM timers** (**P**ower **M**anagement **timers**) are software timers that count down the number of seconds or minutes until the system times out and enters sleep, suspend, or doze mode.

**PnP** is an acronym for Plug and Play, a design standard that has become ascendant in the industry. Plug and Play devices require little set-up to use. Novice end users can simply plug them into a computer that is running on a Plug and Play-aware operating system (such as Windows 95), and go to work. Devices and operating systems that are not Plug and Play require you to reconfigure your system each time you add or change any part of your hardware.

The term **RAM** (**R**andom **A**ccess **M**emory), while technically referring to a type of memory where any byte can be accessed without touching the adjacent data, is often used to refer to the system's main memory. This memory is available to any program running on the computer.

**ROM** (Read-Only Memory) is a storage chip which contains the BIOS (Basic Input/Output System), the basic instructions required to boot the computer and start up the operating system.

**SDRAM** (Synchronous Dynamic **RAM**) is so-called because it can keep two sets of memory addresses open simultaneously. By transferring data alternately from one set of addresses, and then the other, SDRAM cuts down on the delays associated with non-synchronous RAM, which must close one address bank before opening the next.

The **serial port** is so called because it transmits the eight bits of a byte of data along one wire, and receives data on another single wire (that is, the data is transmitted in serial form, one bit after another).

**SIMM Single In-line Memory Modules are the most common form of RAM.** They must be installed in pairs, and do not have the carrying capacity or the speed of DIMMs.

**SIMM bank/socket** SIMM sockets are the physical slots into which you stick SIMM modules. A pair of SIMM sockets form a SIMM bank, and act as a unit. If only one socket is filled, the bank will not operate.

In **Sleep/Suspend mode**, all devices except the CPU shut down.



**SRAM Static RAM**, unlike DRAM, does not need to be refreshed in order to prevent data loss. Thus, it is faster, and more expensive.

In **Standby mode**, the video and fixed disk drive shut down; all other devices operate normally.

**UltraDMA/33** is a fast version of the old DMA channel. UltraDMA is also called UltraATA. Without UltraDMA your system cannot take advantage of the higher data transmission rates of the new UltraATA hard drives.

**Universal Serial Bus** or USB, is a versatile port. This one port type can function as a serial, parallel, mouse, keyboard, or joystick port. It is fast enough to support video transfer, and is capable of supporting up to 127 daisy-chained peripheral devices.

VGA (Video Graphics Array) is the PC video display standard.

V-SYNC controls the vertical properties of the monitor.

**ZIF socket Zero Insertion Force sockets make it possible to insert CPUs** without damaging the sensitive pins. The CPU is lightly placed in an open ZIF socket, and the metal lever pulled down. This shifts the processor over and down, guiding it into place on the board.



#### Notice for the USA

Compliance Information Statement (Declaration of Conformity Procedure) DoC FCC Part 15: This Device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules.

Operation is subject to the following conditions:

1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and

2) this device must accept any interference received including interference that may cause undesired operation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Plug the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that of the receiver.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for help.

**CAUTION: LITHIUM BATTERIES** included with This PC board. Danger of explosion if battery is incorrectly replaced. Replace ONLY with the same or equivalent type recommended by manufacturer. Dispose of used batteries according to manufacturer instructions.

#### Notice for Canada

This apparatus complies with the Class B limits for radio interference as specified in the Canadian Department of Communications Radio Interference Regulations.

Cet appareil est conforme aux normes de Classe B d'interference radio tel que spécifié par le Ministére Canadien des Communications dans les réglements d'interférence radio.

#### Notice for Europe (CE Mark)

This product is in conformity with the Council Directive 89/336/EEC, 92/31/EEC (EMC).

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