

PM-9600

PENTIUM® 75MHz to 233MHz

PCI, Ultra DMA/33 & High Speed Multi I/O

TXTwo Chipset System Board

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CPUs SUPPORTED

- Intel® Pentium® P54C (75MHz to 200MHz)
- Intel® Pentium® with MMX™ Technology P55C (166MHz to 233MHz)
- Cyrix®/IBM® 6x86MX (PR166)
- Cyrix®/IBM® 6x86L (PR166+)
- Cyrix®/IBM® 6x86 (PR120+ to PR200+)
- AMD™ K6 (PR2-166 to PR2-233)
- AMD™ K5 (PR75 to PR166)
- IDT WinChip C6™ (200MHz)
- High Performance TXtwo Chipset
- Switching voltage regulator supports 3.5, 3.3, 3.2, 2.9, 2.8, 2.5 & 2.2 volt processors

MEMORY

- Up to 512MB of main memory in 4 (2 banks) auto banking 72-pin SIMM slots for Fast Page Mode or EDO DRAM, and 2 168-pin DIMM sockets for SDRAM, Fast Page Mode DRAM, or EDO DRAM modules.
- Supports 64M-bit (16M X 4, 8M X 8, 4M X 16) technology DRAM/SDRAM
- Supports single piece SIMM working capability

CACHE

- On-Board 1024KB Pipeline Burst Cache
- Up to 512MB Cacheable Main Memory Size

ENHANCED IDE CONTROLLER

- Two PCI EIDE Interfaces for up to four EIDE devices in two channels. Individually supports PIO Mode 0 to 4 and Ultra DMA/33 for all four devices - all four devices may have different PIO modes and performance will be optimized for each device

BUS ARCHITECTURE

- Five 32-bit PCI Local Bus Slots with Master Mode
- Three 16-bit ISA Bus Slots

ON-BOARD I/O CONTROLLER

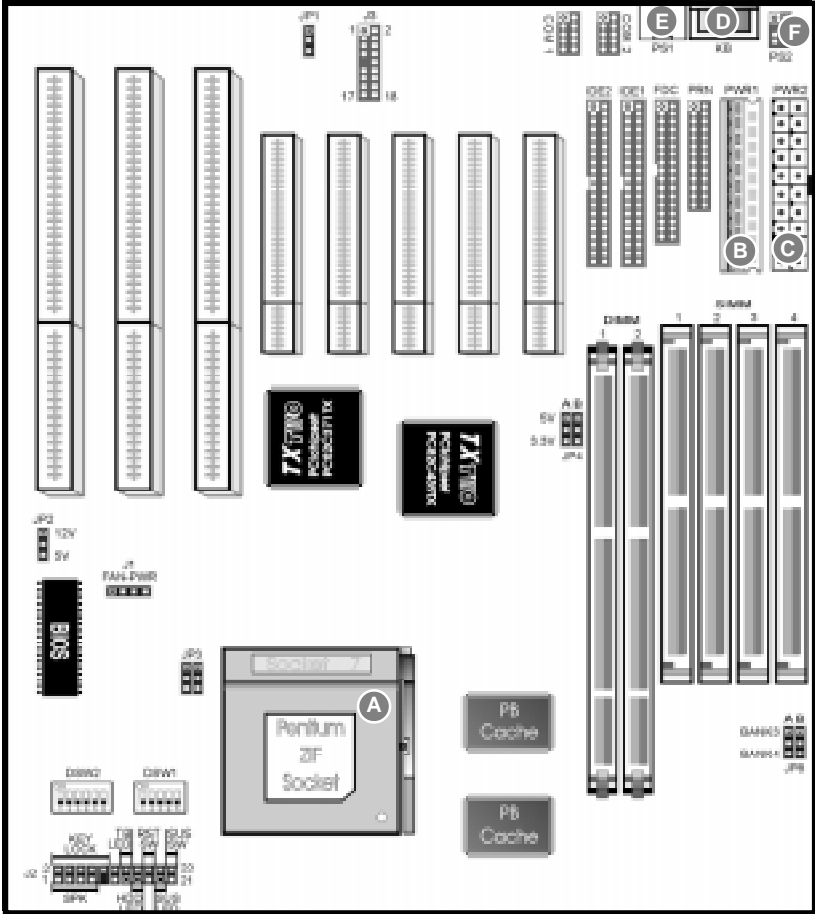
- On-Board Interfaces for High Speed Multi-I/Os
- Two 16550 Fast Serial Ports
- One SPP, EPP & ECP Mode Capable Parallel Port
- One High Speed Floppy Drive Connector
(Supports 2.88MB floppy drives & 1Mb/sec floppy transfer rates)
- One PS/2-type Mouse Header
- Supports optional ATX Form Card with PS/2 Mouse, USB Interface & Infrared Connectors

POWER MANAGEMENT FEATURES

- SMM/SMI Power Management with APM Software Interface - Monitor CPU and I/O status with fully user configurable parameters in BIOS
- Supports following ATX power functions: Power Switch, Modem Ring-On, RTC Soft-On
- Advanced Configuration Power Interface

BIOS FEATURES

- AMI "Plug and Play" Flash ROM for easy BIOS upgrades



A ZIF SOCKET

Plug the processor into this socket. Make sure the cpu is correctly aligned before you insert it.

B AT POWER SUPPLY CONNECTOR

Plug the dual connectors from the power supply directly into the board connectors. On most power supplies, you must orient the black (ground) wires such that all the black wires on both connectors are in the middle.

C ATX POWER SUPPLY CONNECTOR

Plug the single 20 pin connector into the board connector. It should only fit in one direction.

D AT STYLE KEYBOARD CONNECTOR

Plug a standard 5-pin female DIN keyboard connector into this port.

E PS/2 MOUSE CONNECTOR

Plug a PS/2 mouse connector into this port.

F PS/2 MOUSE HEADER

Use this when you want to relocate the PS/2 mouse connector plug off the mainboard



BE SURE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE DOING!

•It's easy to get overly excited about your purchase, and to jump right into installing the system board into your case. Too many times, people fail to read the manual or insist on installing it themselves, only to find out later that they've permanently damaged their motherboard and as well as their components. Though this manual will make installation seem like a fairly simple procedure, it is not. So, if you're not a technophile or have little or no computer knowledge, consider asking your vendor or a trained technician to install this board.

SET JP3, DSW1 & DSW2 TO CONFIGURE THE BOARD FOR YOUR CPU

•It's fairly easy to forget a jumper or two, so before you power on your system, make sure to check & double check your settings so that you don't prematurely burn out your CPU.

INSERT THE CPU INTO THE ZIF SOCKET

•Pull up the handle and insert the CPU with the dotted corner aligned with the corner of the ZIF socket that looks like its missing a pinhole. Plug it in and pull down on the handle.

INSTALL YOUR MEMORY INTO THE CORRECT SOCKETS

•Insert your memory into the corresponding DIMM or SIMM sockets. Follow the instructions outlined in the memory section of this manual.

INSTALL THE MAINBOARD ONTO THE SYSTEM CHASSIS

•Make sure the mainboard is properly grounded and mounted into the case. Take time to do this properly as it makes the installation of your cards and cables easier.

CONNECT AND INSTALL YOUR CARDS & I/O CABLES

•Be sure your cables and cards are properly oriented and plugged in firmly. See the helpful hint page for tips on connecting your i/o cables.

CONNECT YOUR CASE LED & SWITCH CABLES TO THE BOARD**CONNECT THE POWER SUPPLY CABLES TO THE BOARD**

•See the mainboard diagram page for tips on connecting your power cables.

POWER ON AND GO INTO BIOS AND SETUP YOUR SYSTEM

•Press during memory check phase of POST and see the BIOS setup pages of this manual for more details on setting up your system's configuration. If you get a blank screen, refer to the troubleshooting section for some tips on solving this problem.

GET YOUR OPERATING SYSTEM UP AND RUNNING

•Bootup your OS and see if the board and all your peripherals are recognized and working.

CLOSE UP YOUR CASE

PWR1 - AT Power Supply Connector

PIN	DESCRIPTION	PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	Power Good	7	Ground
2	+5V	8	Ground
3	+12V	9	-5V
4	-12V	10	+5V
5	Ground	11	+5V
6	Ground	12	+5V

J3 - Optional ATX Form Card Bracket

PINS	DESCRIPTION
1	+5V (USB Connector <i>Pins 1-8</i>)
2	+5V
3	DATA -
4	DATA -
5	DATA +
6	DATA +
7	Ground
8	Ground
10	+5V (PS/2 Mouse Connector <i>Pins 10-13</i>)
11	Mouse Data
12	Mouse Clock
13	Ground
14	Ground (Infrared Connector <i>Pins 14-18</i>)
15	IR in
16	Reserved
17	IR Out
18	+5V

PS2 - PS/2 Mouse Connector

PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	Mouse Clock
2	Ground
3	Not Connected
4	Mouse Data
5	Not Connected
6	Not Connected
7	Not Connected
8	VCC

JP2 - Flash ROM Voltage Jumper

JP2	DESCRIPTION
1 - 2	12 Volt Flash Programming
2 - 3	5 Volt Flash Programming

J2 SPK - Speaker Connector

PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	Data Out
3	Not Connected
5	Ground
7	+5V

J2 KEYLOCK - Keylock & Power LED

PIN	DESCRIPTION
2	LED Output
4	Not Connected
6	Ground
8	Keylock
10	Ground

J2 TB-LED - Turbo LED Connector

PIN	DESCRIPTION
13	Signal
14	Ground

J2 HDD-LED - HDD LED Connector

PIN	DESCRIPTION
15	VCC
16	Signal

J2 RST - Reset Switch Connector

PIN	DESCRIPTION
17	Signal
18	Ground

J2 SUS-LED - Suspend LED Connector

PIN	DESCRIPTION
19	VCC
20	Signal

J2 SUS-SW - Suspend Switch

PIN	DESCRIPTION
21	Signal
22	Ground

JP1 - CMOS RAM Discharge Selector

PIN	DESCRIPTION
2-3	Normal Mode (default)
1-2	Clear CMOS

JP4 - DIMM Voltage Selector

JP4A	JP4B	DESCRIPTION
1 - 2	1 - 2	5V
2 - 3	2 - 3	3.3V (default)

DSW1 (1-3) - CPU Clock Multiplier

DSW1-1	DSW1-2	DSW1-3	DESCRIPTION
OFF	OFF	N/A	1.5X
ON	OFF	N/A	2.0X
ON	ON	N/A	2.5X
OFF	ON	N/A	3.0X
OFF	OFF	OFF	3.5X
ON	OFF	ON	4.0X
ON	ON	ON	4.5X

DSW1 (4,5) - CPU Ext. Clock Selector

DSW1-4	DSW1-5	DESCRIPTION
ON	ON	60MHz
OFF	ON	66MHz
ON	OFF	75MHz
OFF	OFF	83MHz

DSW2 - CPU Core Voltage Selector

1	2	3	4	5	6	DESCRIPTION
OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	2.2V
OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	2.5V
OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	2.8V
OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	2.9V
OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	3.2V
OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	3.3V
ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	3.5V

J1 FAN PWR - Fan Power

PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	+12V
2	Ground
3	Ground
4	+5V

DSW1 & DSW2 CPU Configuration Jumpers

CPU TYPE	CPU	DSW1					DSW2						
		SPD	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	6
INTEL® PENTIUM® P54C	90	OFF	OFF	N/A	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	100	OFF	OFF	N/A	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	120	ON	OFF	N/A	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	133	ON	OFF	N/A	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	150	ON	ON	N/A	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	166	ON	ON	N/A	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	180	OFF	ON	N/A	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	200	OFF	ON	N/A	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
INTEL® PENTIUM® MMX™ P55C	166	ON	ON	N/A	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
	200	OFF	ON	N/A	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
	233	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
CYRIX®* 6x86 (3.5V)	PR150+	ON	OFF	N/A	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	PR166+	ON	OFF	N/A	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	6x86L	PR166+L	ON	OFF	N/A	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
	6x86MX	PR166	ON	OFF	N/A	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	ON
AMD™ K5 (3.5V)	PR100	OFF	OFF	N/A	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	PR120	OFF	OFF	N/A	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	PR133	OFF	OFF	N/A	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	PR150	ON	ON	N/A	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
	PR166	ON	ON	N/A	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
AMD™ K6	PR2-166	ON	ON	N/A	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	
	PR2-200	OFF	ON	N/A	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	
	PR2-233	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	
IDT C6™	200	OFF	ON	N/A	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	

*THE CYRIX 6X86 PROCESSOR SETTINGS ALSO REFER TO THE IBM 6X86 FAMILY OF PROCESSORS

MAKE SURE YOU HAVE ALSO CONFIGURED JUMPERS JP3 AS WELL AS THE JUMPERS IN THE CHART ABOVE SO THAT YOUR BOARD HAS BEEN PROPERLY SETUP FOR YOUR PROCESSOR.

YOUR CYRIX 6X86 & 6X86MX PROCESSORS MAY HAVE DIFFERENT CLOCK MULTIPLIER AND VOLTAGE SETTINGS, DEPENDING ON THE MODEL OF THE PROCESSOR. CHECK THE PROCESSOR'S LABEL FOR MORE DETAILS.

JP3 - CPU Type Selector

JP3A	JP3B	DESCRIPTION
1 - 2	1 - 2	P55C Dual Voltage
2 - 3	2 - 3	P54C Single Voltage

JP8 - Memory Bank Selector

JP8A	JP8B	DESCRIPTION
1 - 2	1 - 2	3 Memory Banks
2 - 3	2 - 3	4 Memory Banks

3 BANK MEMORY INSTALLATION CONFIGURATION

BANK#	DESCRIPTION	MEMORY MODULE
0	SIMM3 & SIMM4 (72 PIN SIMM) OR DIMM1 (168 PIN DIMM)	2 X 4MB / 8MB / 16MB / 32MB / 64MB OR 4MB / 8MB / 16MB / 32MB / 64MB / 128MB
1	DIMM2 (168 PIN DIMM)	4MB / 8MB / 16MB / 32MB / 64MB / 128MB
2	SIMM1 & SIMM2 (72 PIN SIMM)	2 X 4MB / 8MB / 16MB / 32MB / 64MB

4 BANK MEMORY INSTALLATION CONFIGURATION

BANK#	DESCRIPTION	MEMORY MODULE
0	DIMM1 (168 PIN DIMM)	4MB / 8MB / 16MB / 32MB / 64MB / 128MB
1	DIMM2 (168 PIN DIMM)	4MB / 8MB / 16MB / 32MB / 64MB / 128MB
2	SIMM1 & SIMM2 (72 PIN SIMM)	2 X 4MB / 8MB / 16MB / 32MB / 64MB
3	SIMM3 & SIMM4 (72 PIN SIMM)	2 X 4MB / 8MB / 16MB / 32MB / 64MB

MEMORY CONSIDERATIONS

- The mainboard lets you add up to 512MB of system memory through 4 SIMM and 2 DIMM sockets on the board
- Each bank consists of two 72-pin SIMM modules, or a 168-pin DIMM module.
- You cannot install memory into SIMM3 & SIMM4 and DIMM1 sockets at the same time in 3 Bank Mode
- The speed of all SIMMs and DIMM modules have to be faster than 70ns
- Uses Fast Page Mode or Extended DATA Out (EDO) for the SIMM sockets
- Uses Fast Page Mode, Extended DATA Out (EDO) or Synchronous DRAM (SDRAM) for the DIMM sockets.

The ACPI functions that described in this chapter will not be available unless the ATX power connector is being used.

PWR2 - ATX Power Supply Connector

PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	3.3V
2	3.3V
3	Ground
4	+5V
5	Ground
6	+5V
7	Ground
8	Power OK
9	5VSB
10	+12V
11	3.3V
12	-12V
13	Ground
14	PS-On
15	Ground
16	Ground
17	Ground
18	-5V
19	+5V
20	+5V

J2 (SUS SW) - ATX POWER & SUSPEND SWITCH

- When the system is off, push the power button to turn the system on.
- When the system is on, push the power button rapidly to switch the system to the Suspend mode and by pushing and holding the button for more than 4 seconds, it will turn the system completely off.
- When the system is in the Suspend mode, push the power button rapidly to turn the system on.

MODEM RING POWER-ON

- While in soft-off/suspend state, if an external modem ring-up signal occurs, the system wakes up and can be remotely accessed.
- Make sure that the Resume On Ring option is set to ENABLED in the BIOS setup section (Refer to the Power Management section in Chapter 4).

RTC SOFT POWER-ON

- If you want to auto boot the system at a certain time, set the function of RTC Alarm time properly and the function of RTC Alarm Resume From Soft-Off option in the BIOS Setup section will be set to ENABLED.

WINDOWS 95 SHUT DOWN

- If ATX Power is used, the "It is now safe to turn off your computer" message will not be shown when you are shutting down the computer.

After you have configured the mainboard and have assembled the components, turn on the computer and run the software setup to ensure that the systems information is correct.

WARNING

- Due to the frequent upgrades of the AMI WINBIOS, this manual may not include descriptions of all the features available to you in your current BIOS.
- Do not change the settings in the BIOS unless you know EXACTLY what you are doing or when told to do so by a trained technician. Changing any of the BIOS settings, may affect the performance of your system and can also cause your system to hang.

INSTALLING A NEW BIOS

- When installing a new BIOS into this mainboard, JP1 must be set to the clear CMOS position for a moment. Replace the jumper back to the normal position before flashing the bios. You can also hold down the <END> key and then power on to clear the CMOS.

ENTERING THE WINBIOS SETUP

- When the computer is POSTing during bootup (going through a series of diagnostic checks), hit the key when prompted to enter the BIOS setup screen.

DEFAULT SETTINGS

- There are three default values for the BIOS:

Original - The original default values recover the modified settings to the original settings.

Optimal - The optimal default values provide the optimum settings for all devices and system features.

Best - The best default values provide the best performance settings for all devices and system features but it may cause your system to be unstable.

PRIMARY MASTER & SLAVE, SECONDARY MASTER & SLAVE

•Choose these icons to configure the hard disk drive named in the option. When you click on an icon, the following parameters are listed: Type, LBA/Large Mode, Block Mode, 32-bit Mode and PIO Mode. All parameters relate to IDE drives except Type

FLOPPY DRIVE A,B

•Choose the Floppy Drive A or B icon to specify the floppy drive type. The settings are 360KB 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 1.2MB 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 720KB 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 1.44MB 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " or 2.88MB 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

1ST, 2ND, 3RD, 4TH BOOT DEVICE

•Set these options to select the boot sequence from different booting devices.

SMART FOR HARD DISKS

•This allows you to enable or disable the SMART function of hard drives.

QUICK BOOT

•When this option is set to ENABLED, the BIOS skips many of the POST diagnostic steps so that bootup is faster.

PS/2 MOUSE SUPPORT

•When this option is set to ENABLED, the BIOS supports a PS/2 type mouse.

PASSWORD CHECK

•This option specifies the type of BIOS password protection that is implemented. The settings are:

Setup - The password prompt appears only when an enduser attempts to run BIOS setup.

Always - A password prompt appears every time the computer is powered on or rebooted.

•The BIOS password does not have to be enabled. The enduser sets the password by choosing the password icon on the BIOS setup screen.

INTERNAL CACHE

•Set this option to ENABLED to enable the Internal CPU cache.

EXTERNAL CACHE

•Set this option to ENABLED to enable the external L2 cache.

POWER MANAGEMENT/APM

- Set this option to ENABLED to enable power management and APM features.

GREEN PC MONITOR POWER STATES

- This option specifies the power state that the green PC compliant video monitor enters when BIOS places it in a power saving state after the specified period of display inactivity has expired.

VIDEO POWER DOWN MODE

- This option specifies the power conserving state that the VESA VGA video subsystem enters after the specified period of display inactivity has expired.

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.

PLUG AND PLAY AWARE OS

- Set this option to YES if the operating system in this computer is PnP-aware.

OFFBOARD PCI IDE CARD

- This option specifies if an offboard PCI IDE controller adapter card is installed in the computer. You must specify the PCI expansion slot on the motherboard where the offboard PCI IDE controller is installed. This disables the onboard PCI IDE controller. You must also specify the IRQs for this PCI IDE card.

PCI SLOT 1/2/3/4/5 IRQ PRIORITY

- These options specify the priority IRQ to be used for any PCI devices installed in PCI expansion slots 1 through 5.

IRQ 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15

- These options allow you to reserve IRQs for legacy (non-PnP) ISA adapter cards.

ONBOARD FDC

- This option allows you to enable the floppy drive controller on the motherboard.

ONBOARD SERIAL PORT 1 & 2

- This option specifies the base I/O port address of serial port 1 & 2

ONBOARD PARALLEL PORT, MODE, & IRQ

- This option specifies the base I/O port address, type (Normal, Bi-Dir, EPP or EPP/ECP), and IRQ of the parallel port on the motherboard.

ONBOARD IDE

- This option specifies the channel used by the IDE controller on the motherboard.

WHAT TO DO FIRST...

•The most overlooked and common problems are actually the easiest to solve. Even if you are the most seasoned of all computer technophiles and you can tell Bill Gates a thing or two, make sure you double check the following three most frequently repeated mistakes:

- (1) The power cable is not plugged firmly into the power supply in the back of the computer. Or the motherboard is not connected to the power supply.
- (2) You've got ide, floppy, serial, parallel, scsi cables that are either not plugged in firmly into the respective ports or they are plugged in "backwards."
- (3) Your jumpers for the cpu bus speed, clock multiplier, or voltage are not properly configured.

IF YOU STILL ARE HAVING PROBLEMS...

•The best way to solve any of your computer problems is to "start all over again." You've probably accumulated many peripherals every since you've got your computer. So basically remove all your cards except for the video card and your hard drive controller (if you have a SCSI hard drive or if you don't have an on-board i/o controller) and reboot your system.

•If you still get error messages after this reboot, try booting in "safe" mode per Windows 95 or try configuring your system with the most basic drivers i.e. vga instead of svga etc. If your problem is resolved, then it is most likely not a motherboard problem and the source of the crashes is due to one of your cards. See the next paragraph for suggestions on how to solve these problems. If the problem is not resolved then check your bios and reset the CMOS to factory defaults. You do this by hitting the specific hotkey (del or some other key prompted for when you boot up) during the memory check period of "bootup." Then select the function of resetting CMOS to factory defaults. Exit, save changes, and it will reboot. Other things that you can try if this doesn't help is to check the configuration of the motherboard and making sure the jumpers correctly match the components you've put on it i.e. cpu type and clock speed, type and size of cache etc. check your manual for what the correct jumper settings are. You can also check your memory, by booting your system with the minimal number of memory chips (1 for 486/5x86, 2 for Pentiums) and rotating them and rebooting after each rotation to see if you can successfully restart your system. You can also try turning off your external cache via your bios and seeing if that is the problem.

•Basically, the best technique for troubleshooting is to change one setting and then rebooting, until you can get it to work.

•Once you're at this step you need to place one of your other cards in, one at a time and reboot after each installation of the card and its specific drivers. Do this until all your cards are in or until your system crashes or freezes again. If it crashes, then you will know that it has to do with that card. So "start all over again" by taking out all cards except for the video card and your hard drive controller and placing that particular card with the problem into your system. If it works then, it is probably a compatibility or configuration problem between two or more of your cards, so go back and check their IRQs, DMAs, I/O addresses, and make sure to contact the manufacturer for the latest drivers and ask for their tech support.

•Most problems with your computer can be traced to factors other than your motherboard and it is simply a matter of getting the right drivers or configurations from your peripheral manufacturer and you'll be on the right track in no time.



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