

IMB-781

**User Manual** 

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# Chapter 1: Introduction

Thank you for purchasing ASRock *IMB-781* motherboard, a reliable motherboard produced under ASRock's consistently stringent quality control. It delivers excellent performance with robust design conforming to ASRock's commitment to quality and endurance

In this manual, chapter 1 and 2 contain introduction of the motherboard and stepby-step guide to the hardware installation. Chapter 3 and 4 contain the configuration guide to BIOS setup and information of the Support CD.



Because the motherboard specifications and the BIOS software might be updated, the content of this manual will be subject to change without notice. In case any modifications of this manual occur, the updated version will be available on ASRock website without further notice. You may find the latest VGA cards and CPU support lists on ASRock website as well. ASRock website http://www.asrock.com

If you require technical support related to this motherboard, please visit our website for specific information about the model you are using.

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## 1.1 Package Contents

ASRock IMB-781 Motherboard

(ATX Form Factor: 12.0-in x 9.6-in, 30.5 cm x 24.4 cm)

ASRock IMB-781 Driver CD

ASRock IMB-781 Jumper setting instruction

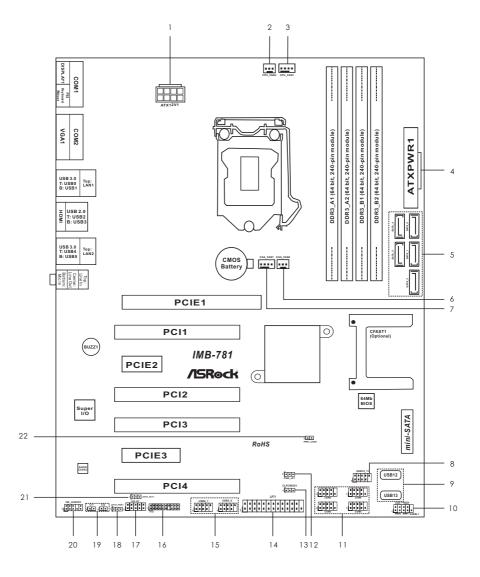
1 x I/O Panel Shield

# 1.2 Specifications

Form Factor	Dimensions	ATX (12.0-in x 9.6-in)	
	CPU	Socket LGA1150 for Intel® Core i7/i5/i3/Celeron (Haswell)	
Processor		(By CPU, Max 4)	
System	Max Speed	(By CPU)	
	L3 Cache	(By CPU)	
	Chipset	Q87	
	BIOS	UEFI	
	PCI	4	
	Mini-PCle	0	
Expansion	mSATA	1	
Slot	PCle	1 (x16)+1 (x4)+ 1 ( x1)	
	CFast Card Socket	1 ( optional)	
Momory	Technology	Dual Channel DDR3 1066/1333/1600 MHz SDRAM	
Memory	Max.	32GB	
	Socket	4 x Long-DIMM	
	Controller	Intel® HD Graphics (By CPU)	
	VRAM	Shared Memory	
	VGA	Supports max resolution 2048x1536	
Graphics	LVDS	No	
Grapines	HDMI	Supports HDMI 1.4a, max resolution 1920x1200	
	DVI	No	
	DisplayPort	Supports max resolution 2560x1600	
	Multi Display	Yes (Three Display)	
	Ethernet	10/100/1000 Mbps	
Ethernet	Controller	GbE LAN1:Intel® I210, LAN2: Intel® I217LM (with v-Pro support)	
	Connector	2 x RJ-45	
SATA	Max Data Transfer Rate	SATA2 (3.0Gb/S), SATA3 (6.0Gb/S), Supports RAID 0/1/5/10	
	VGA	1	
	DVI	0	
Rear I/O	HDMI	1	
	DisplayPort	1	
	Ethernet	2	

	USB	6 (4 x USB 3.0 compliant, 2 x USB 2.0
	USB	compliant)
	Audio	3 (Mic-In, Line-Out, Line-In)
	Serial	2 (RS-232/422/485)
	PS/2	1 (Combo)
	USB	- 6 (3 x USB Header 2.54mm pitch)
	USB	- 2 Vertical Type A USB Connector
	LVDS/	0
	Inverter	0
	VGA	0
	Serial	4 (RS-232)
	CATA	5 x SATA3 (6.0Gb/s), Support RAID
Internal	SATA	0/1/5/10
Connector	mPCle	0
Connector	Parallel	1
	mSATA	1
	IrDA	0
	GPIO 8-bit	4 x GPI + 4 x GPO
	SATA PWR	0
	Output Con	O
	Speaker	0
	Header	U
Watchdog	Output	Output from super I/O to drag RESETCON#
Timer	Interval	256 Segments, 0,1,2255 Sec/Min
	Input PWR	ATX PWR (8 + 24)
Power		AT/ATX Supported
	Dower On	-AT : Directly PWR on as power input ready
Requirements	Power On	-ATX : Press button to PWR on after power
		input ready
Environment	Temperature	0°C – 60°C

## 1.3 Motherboard Layout



1: ATX 12V Power Connector

2: 3-Pin CPU FAN Connector

3: 4-Pin CPU FAN Connector

4: 24-pin ATX Power Input Connector

5: SATA3 Connectors

6: 3-Pin Chassis FAN Connector

7: 4-Pin Chassis FAN Connector

8: USB2.0 Header

9: USB2.0 Ports

10 : System Panel Header

11: RS-232 Port 4 Pin Headers

12: ATX/AT mode Selection

13: Clear CMOS Header

14: Printer Port Header

15: USB2.0 Header

16 · TPM Header

17 : Digital Input / Output Pin Header

18: Digital Input / Output Power select

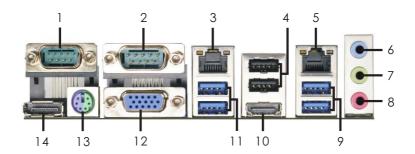
19: Chassis Intrusion Headers

20 : Front Panel Audio Header

21: Digital Input / Output Default Value Setting

22 : PWR LOSS Header

#### 1.4 I/O Panel



- \*\* 1 COM Port (COM1)
- \*\* 2 COM Port (COM2)
- \*3 LAN RJ-45 Port
- 4 USB 2.0 Ports (USB67)
- \* 5 LAN RJ-45 Port
- 6 Line In (Light Blue)
- 7 Line out (Lime)

- 8 Microphone (Pink)
- 9 USB 3.0 Ports (USB3\_01)
- 10 HDMI Port (HDMI1)
- 11 USB 3.0 Ports (USB3 45)
- 12 D-Sub Port (VGA1)
- 13 PS/2 Mouse/Keyboard Port
- 14 DisplayPort (DP1)
- \* There are two LED next to the LAN port. Please refer to the table below for the LAN port LED indications.

## LAN Port LED Indications

## Activity/Link LED

# Status Description Off No Link Blinking Data Activity On Link

## SPEED LED

Description	
10Mbps connection	
100Mbps connection	
1Gbps connection	





LAN Port

#### COM1, 2 Port Pin Definition

PIN	RS232	RS422	RS485
1	DCD, Data Carrier Detect	TX-	RTX-
2	RXD, Receive Data	RX+	N/A
3	TXD, Transmit Data	TX+	RTX+
4	DTR, Data Terminal Ready	RX-	N/A
5	GND	GND	GND
6	DSR, Data Set Ready	N/A	N/A
7	RTS, Request To Send	N/A	N/A
8	CTS, Clear To Send	N/A	N/A
9	No Power/5V/12V	N/A	N/A

<sup>\*\*</sup> COM Port (COM2) does not support auto flow control.

<sup>\*\*</sup> This motherboard supports RS232/422/485 on COM1, 2 ports. Please refer to below table for the pin definition. In addition, COM1, 2 ports (RS232/422/485) can be adjusted in BIOS setup utility > Advanced Screen > Super IO Configuration. You may refer to page 33 for details.

# Chapter 2: Installation

This is an ATX form factor ( $12.0^{\circ} \times 9.6^{\circ}$ ,  $30.5 \times 24.4$  cm) motherboard. Before you install the motherboard, study the configuration of your chassis to ensure that the motherboard fits into it.



Make sure to unplug the power cord before installing or removing the motherboard. Failure to do so may cause physical injuries to you and damages to motherboard components.

#### 2.1 Screw Holes

Place screws into the holes to secure the motherboard to the chassis.



Do not over-tighten the screws! Doing so may damage the motherboard.

#### 2.2 Pre-installation Precautions

Take note of the following precautions before you install motherboard components or change any motherboard settings.

- 1. Unplug the power cord from the wall socket before touching any component.
- To avoid damaging the motherboard components due to static electricity, NEVER place your motherboard directly on the carpet or the like. Also remember to use a grounded wrist strap or touch a safety grounded object before you handle components.
- 3. Hold components by the edges and do not touch the ICs.
- Whenever you uninstall any component, place it on a grounded antistatic pad or in the bag that comes with the component.



Before you install or remove any component, ensure that the power is switched off or the power cord is detached from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to the motherboard, peripherals, and/or components.

## 2.3 Installation of Memory Modules (DIMM)

This motherboard provides four 240-pin DDR3 (Double Data Rate 3) DIMM slots, and supports Dual Channel Memory Technology.



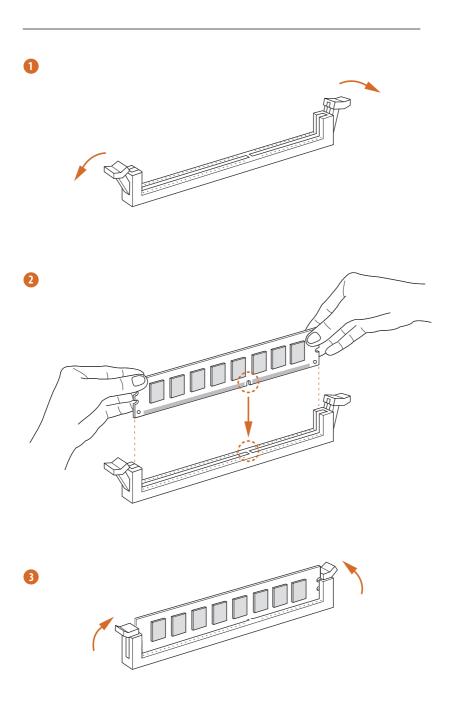
- For dual channel configuration, you always need to install identical (the same brand, speed, size and chip-type) DDR3 DIMM pairs.
- 2. It is unable to activate Dual Channel Memory Technology with only one or three memory module installed.
- It is not allowed to install a DDR or DDR2 memory module into a DDR3 slot; otherwise, this motherboard and DIMM may be damaged.

## **Dual Channel Memory Configuration**

Priority	DDR3_A1	DDR3_A2	DDR3_B1	DDR3_B2
1		Populated		Populated
2	Populated		Populated	
3	Populated	Populated	Populated	Populated



The DIMM only fits in one correct orientation. It will cause permanent damage to the motherboard and the DIMM if you force the DIMM into the slot at incorrect orientation.



## 2.4 Expansion Slots (PCI and PCI Express Slots)

There are 4 PCI slots, 3 PCI Express slots and 1 CFast card socket (optional) on this motherboard.

**PCI slots:** PCI slots are used to install expansion cards that have the 32-bit PCI interface.

#### PCIE slots:

PCIE1 (PCIE x16 slot; Blue) is used for PCI Express x16 lane width graphics cards.

PCIE2 (PCIE x1 slot; White) is used for PCI Express cards with x1 lane width cards.

PCIE3 (PCIE x4 slot; White) is used for PCI Express x4 lane width graphics cards.

#### CFast card socket (optional):

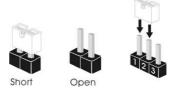
CFAST1 (CFast card socket) is used for CFast cards.

#### Installing an expansion card

- Step 1. Before installing the expansion card, please make sure that the power supply is switched off or the power cord is unplugged. Please read the documentation of the expansion card and make necessary hardware settings for the card before you start the installation.
- Step 2. Remove the system unit cover (if your motherboard is already installed in a chassis).
- Step 3. Remove the bracket facing the slot that you intend to use. Keep the screws for later use.
- Step 4. Align the card connector with the slot and press firmly until the card is completely seated on the slot.
- Step 5. Fasten the card to the chassis with screws.
- Step 6. Replace the system cover.

## 2.5 Jumpers Setup

The illustration shows how jumpers are setup. When the jumper cap is placed on pins, the jumper is "Short". If no jumper cap is placed on pins, the jumper is "Open". The illustration shows a 3-pin jumper whose pin1 and pin2 are "Short" when jumper cap is placed on these 2 pins.



Jumper	Settin	ıg	Description
Clear CMOS Jumper	1 2	2 3	
(3-pin CLRCMOS1)	• • •		
(see p.8, No. 13)	Default	Clear CMOS	

Note: CLRCMOS1 allows you to clear the data in CMOS. To clear and reset the system parameters to default setup, please turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power supply. After waiting for 15 seconds, use a jumper cap to short pin2 and pin3 on CLRCMOS1 for 5 seconds. However, please do not clear the CMOS right after you update the BIOS. If you need to clear the CMOS when you just finish updating the BIOS, you must boot up the system first, and then shut it down before you do the clear-CMOS action. Please be noted that the password, date, time, user default profile and MAC address will be cleared only if the CMOS battery is removed.

ATX/AT Mode Selection (3-pin PWR_JP1) (see p.8, No. 12)	□ ○ ○ 1 2 3	1-2 : AT Mode 2-3 : ATX Mode
Digital Input / Output Power Set (3-pin JGPIO_PWR1) (see p.8, No. 18)	□ ○ ○ ○	1-2 : +12V 2-3 : +5V
Digital Input / Output Default Va (3-pin JGPIO_SET1) (see p.8, No. 21)	alue Setting	1-2 : +5V 2-3 : GND

#### 2.6 Onboard Headers and Connectors



Onboard headers and connectors are NOT jumpers. Do NOT place jumper caps over these headers and connectors. Placing jumper caps over the headers and connectors will cause permanent damage of the motherboard!

#### Digital Input / Output Pin Header

(10-pin JGPIO1)

(see p.8, No. 17)



PIN	Signal Name	PIN	Signal Name
1	Digital Output 0	2	Digital Input 0
3	Digital Output 1	4	Digital Input 1
5	Digital Output 2	6	Digital Input 2
7	Digital Output 3	8	Digital Input 3
9	JGPIO_PWR1	10	GND

## **CPU Fan Connectors**

(4-pin CPU\_FAN1)

(see p.8 No. 3)



Please connect the CPU fan cable to the connector and match the black wire to the ground pin.



Though this motherboard provides 4-Pin CPU fan (Quiet Fan) support, the 3-Pin CPU fan still can work successfully even without the fan speed control function. If you plan to connect the 3-Pin CPU fan to the CPU fan connector on this motherboard, please connect it to Pin 1-3.

Pin 1-3 Connected



Please connect the fan cable





#### Chassis Fan Connectors

(4-pin CHA\_FAN1)

(see p.8, No. 7)

CHA\_FAN\_SPEED

GND | FAN\_SPEED\_CONTROL

to the fan connector and match the black wire to the ground pin.

(3-pin CHA\_FAN2) (see p.8, No. 6)



# ATX Power Input Connector (24-pin ATXPWR1)

(see p.8 No. 4)



Please connect an ATX power supply to this connector.



Though this motherboard provides 24-pin ATX power connector, it can still work if you adopt a traditional 20-pin ATX power supply. To use the 20-pin ATX power supply, please plug your power supply along with Pin 1 and Pin 13.



20-Pin ATX Power Supply Installation

## ATX 12V Power Input Connector

(8-pin ATX12V1)

(see p.8, No. 1)



Please connect an ATX 12V power supply to this connector.

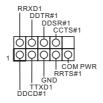


Though this motherboard provides 8-pin ATX 12V power connector, it can still work if you adopt a traditional 4-pin ATX 12V power supply. To use the 4-pin ATX power supply, please plug your power supply along with Pin 1 and Pin 5.

4-Pin ATX 12V Power Supply Installation

# RS-232 Port 4 Pin Headers (9-pin COM3/COM4/COM5/COM6:

see p.8, No. 11)



## System Panel Header

(9-pin PANEL1)

(see p.8, No. 10)



This header accommodates several system front panel functions.



Connect the power switch, reset switch and system status indicator on the chassis to this header according to the pin assignments below. Note the positive and negative pins before connecting the cables.

#### PWRBTN (Power Switch):

Connect to the power switch on the chassis front panel. You may configure the way to turn off your system using the power switch.

#### RESET (Reset Switch):

Connect to the reset switch on the chassis front panel. Press the reset switch to restart the computer if the computer freezes and fails to perform a normal restart.

#### PLED (System Power LED):

Connect to the power status indicator on the chassis front panel. The LED is on when the system is operating. The LED keeps blinking when the system is in S1/S3 sleep state. The LED is off when the system is in S4 sleep state or powered off (S5).

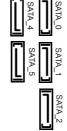
#### **HDLED (Hard Drive Activity LED):**

Connect to the hard drive activity LED on the chassis front panel. The LED is on when the hard drive is reading or writing data.

The front panel design may differ by chassis. A front panel module mainly consists of power switch, reset switch, power LED, hard drive activity LED, speaker and etc. When connecting your chassis front panel module to this header, make sure the wire assignments and the pin assign-ments are matched correctly.

#### SATA3 Connectors

(SATA\_0/SATA\_1/SATA\_2/SATA\_4/SATA\_5: see p.8, No. 5)



These five Serial ATA3 (SATA3) connectors support SATA data cables for internal storage devices. The current SATA3 interface allows up to 6.0 Gb/s data transfer rate.

#### USB 2.0 Headers

(9-pin USB6\_7/USB8\_9:

see p.8, No. 15)

(9-pin USB10 11: see p.8, No. 8)

DIM/D

Besides two USB 2.0 ports on the I/O panel, there are two headers and two ports on this motherboard. Each USB 2.0 header can support two ports.

(USB12/USB13: see p.8, No. 9)

#### Chassis Intrusion Headers

(2-pin CI1/CI2: see p.8, No. 19)



This motherboard supports CASE OPEN detection feature that detects if the chassis cover has been removed. This feature requires a chassis with chassis intrusion detection design.

## Front Panel Audio Header

(9-pin HD\_AUDIO1)

(see p.8 No. 20)

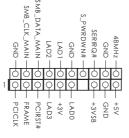


This is an interface for front panel audio cable that allows convenient connection and control of audio devices.

#### TPM Header

(19-pin TPM1)

(see p.8, No. 16)

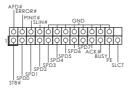


This connector supports a
Trusted Platform Module (TPM)
system, which can
securely store keys, digital
certificates, passwords, and
data. A TPM system also helps
enhance network security,
protects digital identities, and
ensures platform integrity.

#### Print Port Header

(25-pin LPT1)

(see p.8, No. 14)



This is an interface for print port cable that allows convenient connection of printer devices.

#### PWR LOSS Header

(2-pin PWR\_LOSS1)

(see p.8, No. 22)



Short : Power Loss
Close : no Power Loss

## 2.7 Driver Installation Guide

To install the drivers to your system, please insert the support CD to your optical drive first. Then, the drivers compatible to your system can be auto-detected and listed on the support CD driver page. Please follow the order from top to bottom to install those required drivers. Therefore, the drivers you install can work properly.

# Chapter 3: UEFI SETUP UTILITY

#### 3.1 Introduction

This section explains how to use the UEFI SETUP UTILITY to configure your system. The UEFI chip on the motherboard stores the UEFI SETUP UTILITY. You may run the UEFI SETUP UTILITY when you start up the computer. Please press <F2> or <Del> during the Power-On-Self-Test (POST) to enter the UEFI SETUP UTILITY, otherwise, POST will continue with its test routines.

If you wish to enter the UEFI SETUP UTILITY after POST, restart the system by pressing <Ctl> + <Alt> + <Delete>, or by pressing the reset button on the system chassis. You may also restart by turning the system off and then back on.



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

#### 3.1.1 UEFI Menu Bar

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

Main To set up the system time/date information

Advanced To set up the advanced UEFI features

H/W Monitor To display current hardware status

Boot To set up the default system device to locate and load the

Operating System

**Security** To set up the security features

Exit To exit the current screen or the UEFI SETUP UTILITY

Use < ←→> key or <→→> key to choose among the selections on the menu bar, and then press <Enter> to get into the sub screen. You can also use the mouse to click your required item.

## 3.1.2 Navigation Keys

Please check the following table for the function description of each navigation key.

Navigation Key(s)	Function Description
<b>←/→</b>	Moves cursor left or right to select Screens
↑ / <b>↓</b>	Moves cursor up or down to select items
+ / -	To change option for the selected items
<enter></enter>	To bring up the selected screen
<f1></f1>	To display the General Help Screen
<f7></f7>	Discard changes
<f9></f9>	To load optimal default values for all the settings
<f10></f10>	To save changes and exit the UEFI SETUP UTILITY
<f12></f12>	Print screen
<esc></esc>	To jump to the Exit Screen or exit the current screen

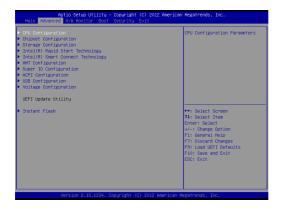
#### 3.2 Main Screen

When you enter the UEFI SETUP UTILITY, the Main screen will appear and display the system overview.



#### 3.3 Advanced Screen

In this section, you may set the configurations for the following items: CPU Configuration, Chipset Configuration, Storage Configuration, Intel(R) Rapid Start Technology, Intel(R) Smart Connect Technology, AMT Configuration, Super IO Configuration, ACPI Configuration, USB Configuration and Voltage Configuration.





Setting wrong values in this section may cause the system to malfunction.

#### **Instant Flash**

Instant Flash is a UEFI flash utility embedded in Flash ROM. This convenient UEFI update tool allows you to update system UEFI without entering operating systems first like MS-DOS or Windows<sup>®</sup>. Just launch this tool and save the new UEFI file to your USB flash drive, floppy disk or hard drive, then you can update your UEFI only in a few clicks without preparing an additional floppy diskette or other complicated flash utility. Please be noted that the USB flash drive or hard drive must use FAT32/16/12 file system. If you execute Instant Flash utility, the utility will show the UEFI files and their respective information. Select the proper UEFI file to update your UEFI, and reboot your system after UEFI update process completes.

## 3.3.1 CPU Configuration



#### Intel Hyper Threading Technology

Intel Hyper Threading Technology allows multiple threads to run on each core, so that the overall performance on threaded software is improved.

#### **Active Processor Cores**

Select the number of cores to enable in each processor package.

#### **CPU C States Support**

Enable CPU C States Support for power saving. It is recommended to keep C3. C6 and C7 all enabled for better power saving.

#### Enhanced Halt State (C1E)

Enable Enhanced Halt State (C1E) for lower power consumption.

#### **CPU C3 State Support**

Enable C3 sleep state for lower power consumption.

#### **CPU C6 State Support**

Enable C6 deep sleep state for lower power consumption.

#### **CPU C7 State Support**

Enable C7 deep sleep state for lower power consumption.

#### Package C State Support

Enable CPU, PCIe, Memory, Graphics C State Support for power saving.

#### Intel SpeedStep Technology

Intel SpeedStep technology is Intel's new power saving technology. Processors can switch between multiple frequencies and voltage points to enable power saving. The default value is [Enabled]. Configuration options: [Enabled] and [Disabled]. If you install Windows® XP / 7 / 8 and want to enable this function, please set this item to [Enabled]. This item will be hidden if the current CPU does not support Intel SpeedStep technology.



Please note that enabling this function may reduce CPU voltage and lead to system stability or compatibility issues with some power supplies. Please set this item to [Disabled] if above issues occur.

#### Intel Turbo Boost Technology

Use this item to enable or disable Intel Turbo Boost Mode Technology. Turbo Boost Mode allows processor cores to run faster than marked frequency in specific conditions. The default value is [Enabled].

#### **CPU Thermal Throttling**

You may select [Enabled] to enable CPU internal thermal control mechanism to keep the CPU from overheating.

#### **No-Execute Memory Protection**

No-Execution (NX) Memory Protection Technology is an enhancement to the IA-32 Intel Architecture. An IA-32 processor with "No Execute (NX) Memory Protection" can prevent data pages from being used by malicious software to execute codes. This option will be hidden if the current CPU does not support No-Excute Memory Protection.

#### Intel Virtualization Technology

When this option is set to [Enabled], a VMM (Virtual Machine Architecture) can utilize the additional hardware capabilities provided by Vanderpool Technology. This option will be hidden if the installed CPU does not support Intel Virtualization Technology.

#### **Hardware Prefetcher**

Use this item to turn on/off the MLC streamer prefetcher.

#### **Adjacent Cache Line Prefetch**

Use this item to turn on/off prefetching of adjacent cache lines.

## 3.3.2 Chipset Configuration



#### **DRAM Frequency**

If [Auto] is selected, the motherboard will detect the memory module(s) inserted and assign the appropriate frequency automatically.

#### **Primary Graphics Adapter**

This allows you to select [Onboard], [PCI] or [PCI Express] as the boot graphic adapter priority. The default value is [PCI Express].

#### VT-d

Use this to enable or disable Intel® VT-d technology (Intel® Virtualization Technology for Directed I/O). The default value of this feature is [Disabled].

#### **PCIE1 Link Speed**

Select the link speed for PCIE1.

#### **PCIE2 Link Speed**

Select the link speed for PCIE2.

#### PCIE3 Link Speed

Select the link speed for PCIE3.

#### **Share Memory**

Configure the size of memory that is allocated to the integrated graphics processor when the system boots up.

#### **IGPU Multi-Moniter**

Select disable to disable the integrated graphics when an external graphics card is installed. Select enable to keep the integrated graphics enabled at all times.

#### **Render Standby**

Use this to enable or disable Render Standby by Internal Graphics Device. The default value is [Enabled].

#### **Onboard HD Audio**

Select [Auto], [Enabled] or [Disabled] for the onboard HD Audio feature. If you select [Auto], the onboard HD Audio will be disabled when PCI Sound Card is plugged.

#### Front Panel

Select [Auto] or [Disabled] for the onboard HD Audio Front Panel.

#### **Onboard HDMI HD Audio**

This allows you to enable or disable the Onboard HDMI HD Audio feature.

#### **Onboard LAN1**

This allows you to enable or disable the Onboard LAN1 feature.

#### **Onboard LAN2**

This allows you to enable or disable the Onboard LAN2 feature.

#### Deep Sleep

Mobile platforms support Deep S4/S5 in DC only and desktop platforms support Deep S4/S5 in AC only. The default value is [Disabled].

#### Restore on AC/Power Loss

This allows you to set the power state after an unexpected AC/power loss. If [Power Off] is selected, the AC/power remains off when the power recovers. If [Power On] is selected, the AC/power resumes and the system starts to boot up when the power recovers.

## 3.3.3 Storage Configuration



#### SATA Controller(s)

Use this item to enable or disable the SATA Controller feature.

#### **SATA Mode Selection**

Use this to select SATA mode. Configuration options: [IDE Mode], [AHCI Mode] and [RAID Mode]. The default value is [AHCI Mode].



AHCI (Advanced Host Controller Interface) supports NCQ and other new features that will improve SATA disk performance but IDE mode does not have these advantages.

#### **SATA Aggressive Link Power Management**

Use this item to configure SATA Aggressive Link Power Management.

#### **Dynamic Storage Accelerator**

Keep this option enabled for higher HDD and SDD I/O performance, lower latency and increased system responsiveness.

#### Hard Disk S.M.A.R.T.

Use this item to enable or disable the S.M.A.R.T. (Self-Monitoring, Analysis, and Reporting Technology) feature. Configuration options: [Disabled] and [Enabled].

## 3.3.4 Intel(R) Rapid Start Technology



## Intel(R) Rapid Start Technology

Use this item to enable or disable Intel(R) Rapid Start Technology. Intel(R) Rapid Start Technology is a new zero power hibernation mode which allows users to resume in just 5-6 seconds. The default is [Disabled].

## 3.3.5 Intel(R) Smart Connect Technology



## Intel(R) Smart Connect Technology

Use this item to enable or disable Intel(R) Smart Connect Technology. Intel(R) Smart Connect Technology keeps your e-mail and social networks, such as Twitter, Facebook, etc. updated automatically while the computer is in sleep mode. The default is [Enabled].

## 3.3.6 AMT Technology



#### Intel AMT

Use this to enable or disable Intel(R) Active Management Technology BIOS Extension. The default is [Enabled].

#### **BIOS Hotkey Pressed**

Use this to enable or disable BIOS hotkey press. The default is [Disabled].

#### **MEBx Selection Screen**

Use this to enable or disable MEBx Selection Screen. The default is [Disabled].

#### **Hide Un-Configure ME Confirmation**

Hide Un-Configure ME without password confirmation prompt. The default is [Disabled].

#### MEBx Debug Message Output

Use this to enable or disable MEBx Debug Message Output. The default is [Disabled].

#### **Un-Configure ME**

Un-Configure ME without password. The default is [Disabled].

#### **Amt Wait Timer**

Set timer to wait before sending ASF\_GET\_BOOT\_OPTIONS.

#### Disable ME

Set ME to Soft Temporary Disabled. The default is [Disabled].

#### **ASF**

Use this to enable or disable Alert Specification Format. The default is [Enabled].

#### **Activate Remote Assistance Process**

Trigger CIRA boot. The default is [Disabled].

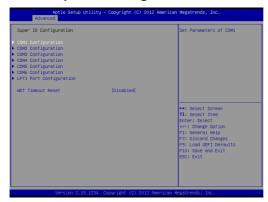
#### **USB** Configure

Use this to enable or disable USB Configure function. The default is [Enabled].

## **PET Progress**

User can enable or disable PET Events progress to receive PET events or not. The default is [Enabled].

## 3.3.7 Super IO Configuration



#### **COM1 Configuration**

Use this to set parameters of COM1. Select COM1 port type: [RS232], [RS422] or [RS485].

#### **COM2 Configuration**

Use this to set parameters of COM2. Select COM2 port type: [RS232], [RS422] or [RS485].

#### **COM3 Configuration**

Use this to set parameters of COM3.

#### **COM4 Configuration**

Use this to set parameters of COM4.

#### **COM5 Configuration**

Use this to set parameters of COM5.

#### **COM6 Configuration**

Use this to set parameters of COM6.

#### **LPT1 Port Configuration**

Use this set parameters of the onboard parallel port.

#### **WDT Timeout Reset**

This allows users to enable/disable the Watch Dog Timer timeout to reset system. The default value is [Disabled].

## 3.3.8 ACPI Configuration



#### Suspend to RAM

Use this item to select whether to auto-detect or disable the Suspend-to-RAM feature. Select [Auto] will enable this feature if the OS supports it.

#### **Check Ready Bit**

Use this item to enable or disable the feature Check Ready Bit.

#### **ACPI HPET Table**

Use this item to enable or disable ACPI HPET Table. The default value is [Enabled]. Please set this option to [Enabled] if you plan to use this motherboard to submit Windows® certification.

#### PS/2 Keyboard Power On

Use this item to enable or disable PS/2 keyboard to turn on the system from the power-soft-off mode.

#### **PCI Devices Power On**

Use this item to enable or disable PCI devices to turn on the system from the power-soft-off mode.

#### Wake From Onboard LAN 2

Use this item to enable or disable the Wake From Onboard LAN 2 feature.

#### **RTC Alarm Power On**

Use this item to enable or disable RTC (Real Time Clock) to power on the system.

#### **USB Keyboard/Remote Power On**

Use this item to enable or disable USB Keyboard/Remote to power on the system.

#### **USB Mouse Power On**

Use this item to enable or disable USB Mouse to power on the system.

## 3.3.9 USB Configuration



#### **USB Controller**

Use this item to enable or disable the use of USB controller.

#### Intel USB 3.0 Mode

Use this item to enable or disable the use of Intel USB 3.0 mode.

#### **Legacy USB Support**

Use this option to select legacy support for USB devices. There are four configuration options: [Enabled], [Auto], [Disabled] and [UEFI Setup Only]. The default value is [Enabled]. Please refer to below descriptions for the details of these four options:

[Enabled] - Enables support for legacy USB.

[Auto] - Enables legacy support if USB devices are connected.

[Disabled] - USB devices are not allowed to use under legacy OS and UEFI setup when [Disabled] is selected. If you have USB compatibility issues, it is recommended to select [Disabled] to enter OS.

[UEFI Setup Only] - USB devices are allowed to use only under UEFI setup and Windows / Linux OS.

#### Legacy USB 3.0 Support

Use this option to enable or disable legacy support for USB 3.0 devices. The default value is [Enabled].

## 3.3.10 Voltage Configuration



## **DRAM Voltage**

Use this to select DRAM Voltage. The default value is [Auto].

## 3.4 Hardware Health Event Monitoring Screen

In this section, it allows you to monitor the status of the hardware on your system, including the parameters of the CPU temperature, motherboard temperature, CPU fan speed, chassis fan speed, and the critical voltage.



#### CPU FAN1 & 2 Setting

This allows you to set CPU fan 1 & 2's speed. Configuration options: [Full On] and [Automatic Mode]. The default value is [Full On].

#### CHA\_FAN1 & 2 Setting

This allows you to set chassis fan 1 & 2's speed. Configuration options: [Full On] and [Automatic Mode]. The default value is [Full On].

#### **Over Temperature Protection**

Use this to enable or disable Over Temperature Protection. The default value is [Enabled].

#### Case Open Feature

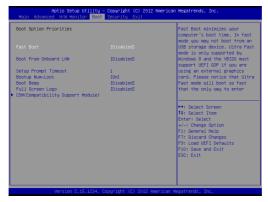
This allows you to enable or disable case open detection feature. The default is value [Disabled].

#### **Clear Status**

This option appears only when the case open has been detected. Use this option to keep or clear the record of previous chassis intrusion status.

#### 3.5 Boot Screen

In this section, it will display the available devices on your system for you to configure the boot settings and the boot priority.



#### **Fast Boot**

Fast Boot minimizes your computer's boot time. There are three configuration options: [Disabled], [Fast] and [Ultra Fast]. The default value is [Disabled]. Please refer to below descriptions for the details of these three options:

[Disabled] - Disable Fast Boot.

[Fast] - The only restriction is you may not boot by using an USB flash drive

[Ultra Fast] - There are a few restrictions.

- 1. Only supports Windows® 8 UEFI operating system.
- You will not be able to enter BIOS Setup (Clear CMOS or run utility in Widows® to enter BIOS Setup).
- 3. If you are using an external graphics card, the VBIOS must support UEFLGOP in order to boot

#### **Boot From Onboard LAN**

Use this item to enable or disable the Boot From Onboard LAN feature.

#### **Setup Prompt Timeout**

This shows the number of seconds to wait for setup activation key. 65535(0XFFFF) means indefinite waiting.

#### **Bootup Num-Lock**

If this item is set to [On], it will automatically activate the Numeric Lock function after boot-up.

#### **Boot Beep**

Select whether the Boot Beep should be turned on or off when the system boots up. Please note that a buzzer is needed.

#### Full Screen Logo

Use this item to enable or disable OEM Logo. The default value is [Enabled].

#### AddOn ROM Display

Use this option to adjust AddOn ROM Display. If you enable the option "Full Screen Logo" but you want to see the AddOn ROM information when the system boots, please select [Enabled]. Configuration options: [Enabled] and [Disabled]. The default value is [Enabled].

#### CSM

Please disable CSM when you enable Fast Boot option. The default value is [Enabled].



## 3.6 Security Screen

In this section, you may set, change or clear the supervisor/user password for the system.



#### **Secure Boot**

Use this to enable or disable Secure Boot. The default value is [Disabled].

#### 3.7 Exit Screen



#### Save Changes and Exit

When you select this option, it will pop-out the following message, "Save configuration changes and exit setup?" Select [OK] to save the changes and exit the UEFI SETUP UTILITY.

#### **Discard Changes and Exit**

When you select this option, it will pop-out the following message, "Discard changes and exit setup?" Select [OK] to exit the UEFI SETUP UTILITY without saving any changes.

#### **Discard Changes**

When you select this option, it will pop-out the following message, "Discard changes?" Select [OK] to discard all changes.

#### **Load UEFI Defaults**

Load UEFI default values for all the setup questions. F9 key can be used for this operation.

#### Launch EFI Shell from filesystem device

Attempts to Launch EFI Shell application (Shell64.efi) from one of the available filesystem devices.

# Chapter 4: Software Support

#### 4.1 Install Operating System

This motherboard supports various Microsoft® Windows® operating systems: 8/8 64-bit /7/7 64-bit /XP/XP 64-bit. Because motherboard settings and hardware options vary, use the setup procedures in this chapter for general reference only. Refer your OS documentation for more information.

#### 4.2 Support CD Information

The Support CD that came with the motherboard contains necessary drivers and useful utilities that enhance the motherboard's features.

#### 4.2.1 Running The Support CD

To begin using the support CD, insert the CD into your CD-ROM drive. The CD automatically displays the Main Menu if "AUTORUN" is enabled in your computer. If the Main Menu did not appear automatically, locate and double click on the file "ASRSETUP.EXE" from the BIN folder in the Support CD to display the menus.

#### 4.2.2 Drivers Menu

The Drivers Menu shows the available device's drivers if the system detects installed devices. Please install the necessary drivers to activate the devices.

#### 4.2.3 Utilities Menu

The Utilities Menu shows the application software that the motherboard supports. Click on a specific item then follow the installation wizard to install it.

#### 4.2.4 Contact Information

If you need to contact ASRock or want to know more about ASRock, you're welcome to visit ASRock's website at <a href="http://www.asrock.com">http://www.asrock.com</a>; or you may contact your dealer for further information.