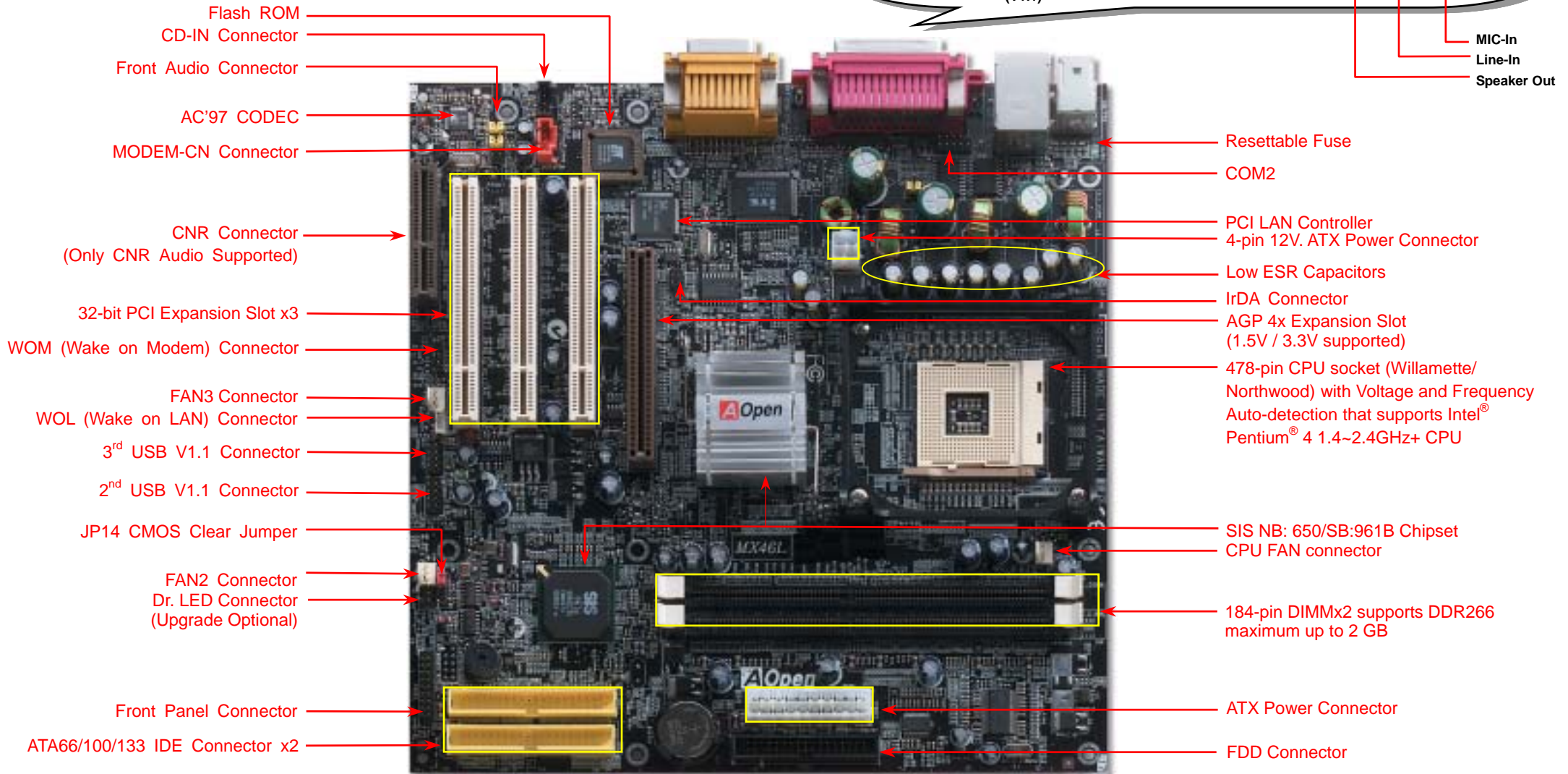
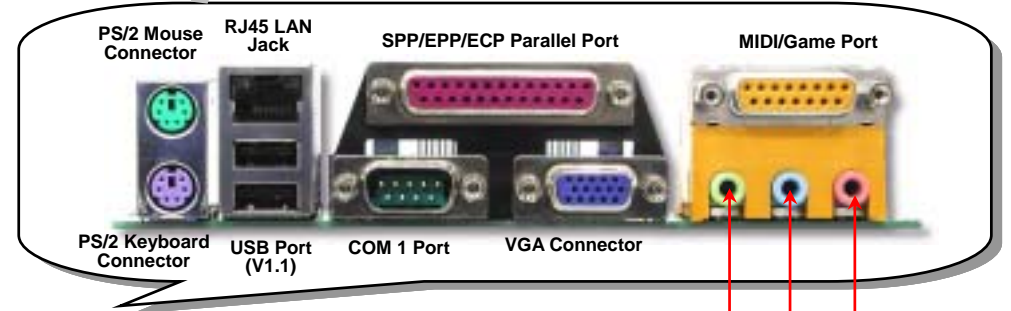


MX46L

Easy Installation Guide



Before You Start



Everything you need to boot this motherboard is included in this Easy Installation Guide. For more information, a complete **Online User's Manual** can be found in the **Bonus Pack CD**. Thanks for the help of saving our earth.

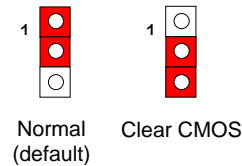
Accessory Checklist

- ✓ Registration Card x1
- ✓ This Easy Installation Guide x1
- ✓ 80-wire IDE Cable x1
- ✓ Floppy Disk Drive Cable x1
- ✓ Bonus Pack CD x1

1. JP14 Clear CMOS

You can clear CMOS to restore system default setting. To clear the CMOS, follow the procedure below.

1. Turn off the system and unplug the AC power.
2. Remove ATX power cable from connector PWR2.
3. Locate JP14 and short pins 2-3 for a few seconds.
4. Return JP14 to its normal setting by shorting pin 1 & pin 2.
5. Connect ATX power cable back to connector PWR2.

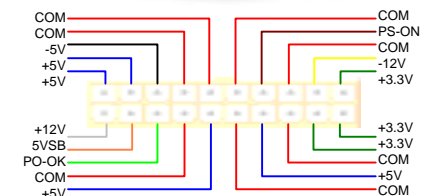
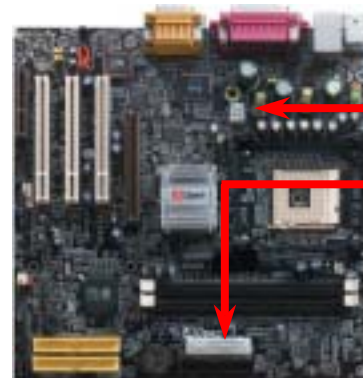


Tip: When should I Clear CMOS?

1. Boot fail because of overclocking...
2. Forget password...
3. Troubleshooting...

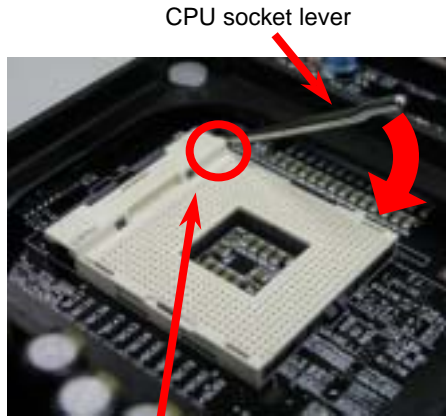
2. Connecting ATX Power Connector

This motherboard comes with a 20-pin ATX power connector and an extra 4-pin connector as shown below. Make sure you plug in the right direction. We strongly recommend you to insert the 4-pin connector before connecting the 20-pin connector.



3. Installing Processor

This socket supports Micro-FC-PGA2 package CPU, which is the latest CPU package developed by Intel. Other forms of CPU package are impossible to be fitted in.



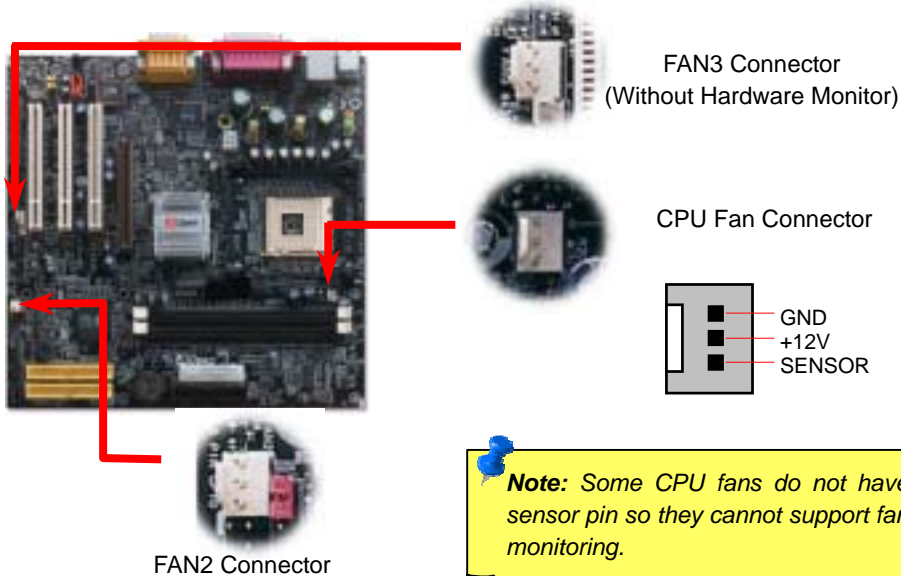
1. Pull up the CPU socket lever and up to 90-degree angle.
2. Locate Pin 1 in the socket and look for a (golden) cut edge on the CPU upper interface. Match Pin 1 and cut edge. Then insert the CPU into the socket.
3. Press down the CPU socket lever and finish CPU installation.

Note: If you do not match the CPU socket Pin 1 and CPU cut edge well, it may damage the CPU.

CPU Pin 1 and cut edge

4. Installing CPU & System Fan

Plug in the CPU fan cable to the 3-pin **CPU FAN** connector. If you have chassis fan, you can also plug it on **System FAN** (FAN2) or **AUX FAN** (FAN3) connector.



Note: Some CPU fans do not have sensor pin so they cannot support fan monitoring.

5. Setting CPU Voltage & Frequency

Setting CPU Core Voltage

This motherboard supports CPU VID function. The CPU core voltage will be automatically detected.

Setting CPU Frequency

This motherboard is CPU jumper-less design, you can set CPU frequency through the BIOS setup, and no jumpers or switches are needed. The default setting is "table select mode". You can adjust the FSB from "CPU Host/SDRAM/PCI Clock" for overclocking.

BIOS Setup > Frequency / Voltage Control > CPU Speed Setup

CPU Ratio	10x... 21x, 22x, 23x, 24x
CPU FSB (By BIOS table)	100, 105, 108, 112 and 133MHz.

CPU	CPU Core Frequency	FSB Clock	System Bus	Ratio
Pentium 4 1.4G	1400MHz	100MHz	400MHz	14x
Pentium 4 1.5G	1500MHz	100MHz	400MHz	15x
Pentium 4 1.6G	1600MHz	100MHz	400MHz	16x
Pentium 4 1.7G	1700MHz	100MHz	400MHz	17x
Pentium 4 1.8G	1800MHz	100MHz	400MHz	18x
Pentium 4 1.9G	1900MHz	100MHz	400MHz	19x
Pentium 4 2G	2000MHz	100MHz	400MHz	20x
Pentium 4 2.2G	2200MHz	100MHz	400MHz	22x
Pentium 4 2.4G	2400MHz	100MHz	400MHz	24x

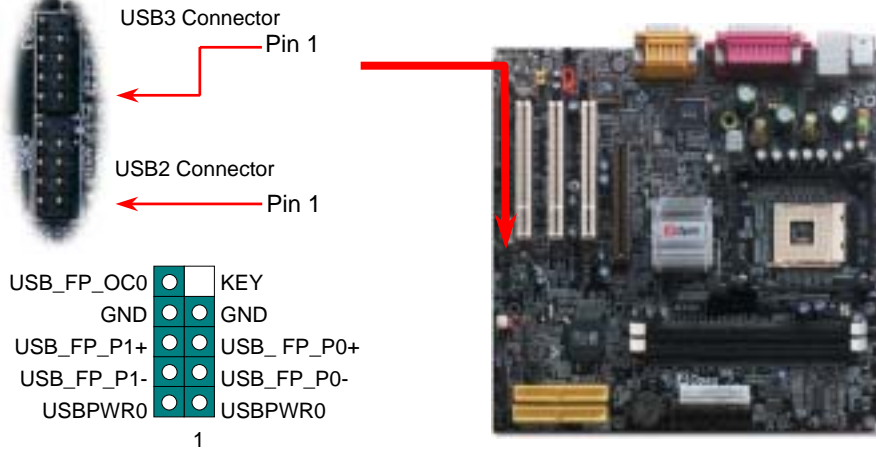
Note: Since the latest processor, Northwood, would detect the clock ratio automatically, you may not be able to adjust the clock ratio in BIOS manually.

Warning: SIS 650/961B Chipset supports maximum 400MHz (100MHz*4) system bus and 66MHz AGP clock; higher clock setting may cause serious system damage.

Note: SIS 650/961B Chipset supports SMA (Share Memory Architecture) for the build-in VGA function. You may adjust the size of video memory in BIOS. After entering the BIOS SETUP, please choose the "System Share Memory Size" of the "Advanced Chipset Features". We provide 8, 16, 32, and 64MB for choosing. It supports up to 64 MB shared system memory. It is recommended to keep enough system memory for your operating system.

6. Support Six USB V1.1 Connectors

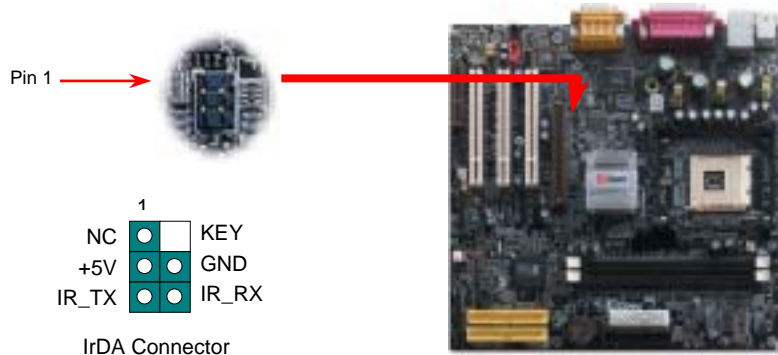
This motherboard provides six [USB](#) connectors to connect USB devices, such as mouse, keyboard, modem, printer, etc. There are two connectors on the PC99 back panel. You can use proper cable to connect other USB connectors to the back panel or front panel of chassis.



7. Connect IrDA Connector

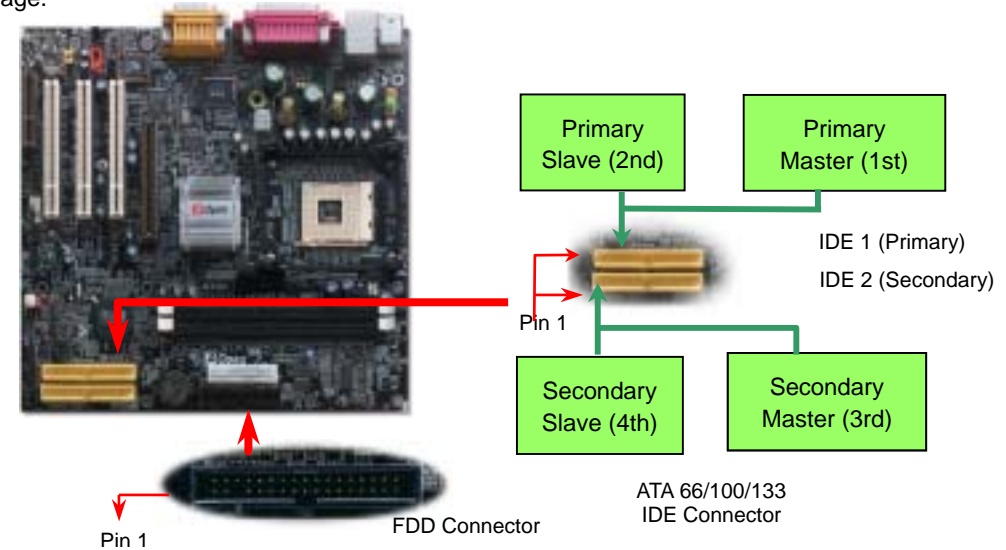
The IrDA connector can be configured to support wireless infrared module, with this module and application software such as Laplink or Windows 95 Direct Cable Connection, the user can transfer files to or from laptops, notebooks, PDA devices and printers. This connector supports HPSIR (115.2Kbps, 2 meters) and ASK-IR (56Kbps).

Install the infrared module onto the **IrDA** connector and enable the infrared function from BIOS Setup, UART mode select, make sure to have the correct orientation when you plug in the IrDA connector.



8. Connecting IDE and Floppy Cables

Connect 34-pin floppy cable and 40-pin, 80-wire IDE cable to floppy connector FDC and IDE connector. Be careful of the pin1 orientation. Wrong orientation may cause system damage.

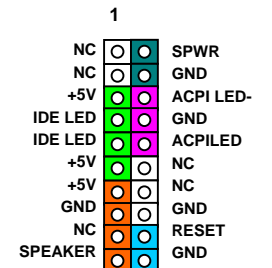


9. Connecting Front Panel Cable



Attach the power LED, speaker, and reset switch connectors to the corresponding pins. If you enable "Suspend Mode" item in BIOS Setup, the ACPI & Power LED will keep flashing while the system is in suspend mode.

Locate the power switch cable from your ATX housing. It is 2-pin female connector from the housing front panel. Plug this connector to the soft-power switch connector marked **SPWR**.



10. Front Audio Connector

If the housing has been designed with an audio port on the front panel, you'll be able to connect onboard audio to front panel through this connector. By the way, please remove 5-6 and 9-10 jumper caps from the Front Audio Connector before connecting the cable. Please do not remove these 5-6 and 9-10 yellow jumper caps if there's no audio port on the front panel.



Pin 1



AUD_RET_L	●	AUD_FPOUT_L
KEY	□	NC
AUD_RET_R	●	AUD_FPOUT_R
AUD_VCC	●	AUD_MIC_BIAS
AUD_GND	●	AUD_MIC

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11. Support 10/100 Mbps LAN Onboard

On the strength of Realtek RTL8100 LAN controller on board, which is a highly-integrated Platform LAN Connect device, it provides 10/100M bps Ethernet for office and home use, the Ethernet RJ45 connector is located on top of USB connectors. The green LED indicates the link mode, it lights when linking to network and blinking when transferring data. The orange LED indicates the transfer mode, and it lights when data is transferring in 100Mbps mode. To enable or disable this function, you may simply adjust it through BIOS.



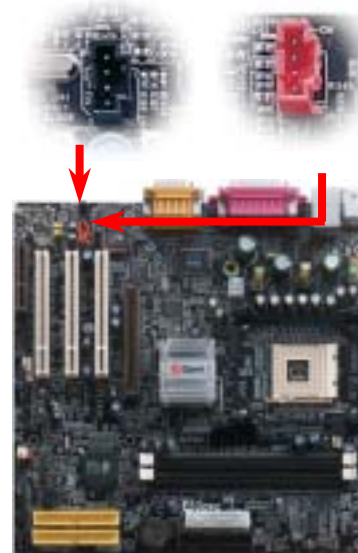
Green/ACT

Orange/Speed



12. Connecting CD / MODEM Connector

CD-IN (Black) MODEM-CN (Red)



The **MODEM-CN** connector is used to connect Mono In/ Mic Out cable from internal modem card to onboard sound circuit.

The **CD-IN** connector is used to connect CD Audio cable from CDROM or DVD drive to onboard sound.

Connector	Pin1	Pin2	Pin3	Pin4
MODEM-CN	Mono In	GND	GND	Mic Out
CD-IN	Left	GND	GND	Right

13. Installing LAN Driver

You can install LAN Driver under WindowsME/98, Windows NT, Windows 2000 and Windows XP for RealTek RTL8100 PCI Fast Ethernet adapter by following steps.

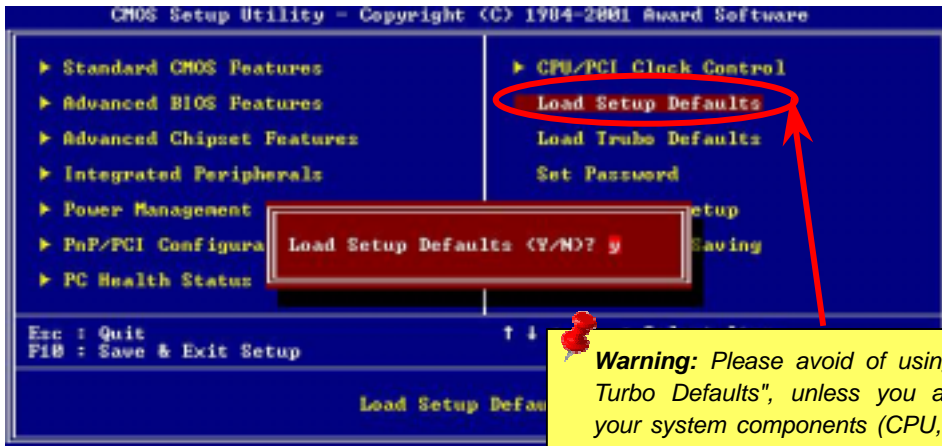
Installing driver for Win98/Win98 SE/Windows2000/Windows ME/Windows XP:

1. Ask you to select which driver you want to install, select "Driver" from disk provided by hardware manufacturer".
2. Specify the setup file pathname
 [CD-ROM]: Driver\LAN\RTL8100\Windows\WIN98 (for Windows 98/98 SE) or
 [CD-ROM]: Driver\LAN\RTL8100\Windows\WIN2000 (for Windows 2000) or
 [CD-ROM]: Driver\LAN\RTL8100\Windows\WINME (for Windows ME) or
 [CD-ROM]: Driver\LAN\RTL8100\Windows\WinXP (for Windows XP)
3. Win98/Win98 SE/Windows2000/Windows ME will appear some messages to insert Win98/Win98 SE/Windows2000/Windows ME system disk to complete setup step.
4. Win98/Win98 SE/Windows2000/Windows ME will finish the other installation procedure automatically, then you restart the system.

14. Power-on and Load BIOS Setup

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After you finish the setting of jumpers and connect correct cables. Power on and enter the BIOS Setup, press during POST (Power On Self Test). Choose "Load Setup Defaults" for recommended optimal performance.



Warning: Please avoid of using "Load Turbo Defaults", unless you are sure your system components (CPU, DRAM, HDD, etc.) are good enough for turbo setting.

16. Installing Onboard Sound Driver

This motherboard comes with a RealTek ALC201A AC97 CODEC, you can find the audio driver from the Bonus Pack CD disc auto-run menu.



15. AOpen Bonus Pack CD

You can use the autorun menu of Bonus CD disc. Choose the utility and driver and select model name.



17. BIOS Upgrade under Windows Environment

You may accomplish BIOS upgrade procedure with EZWinFlash by the following steps, and it's STRONGLY RECOMMENDED to close all the applications before you start the upgrading.

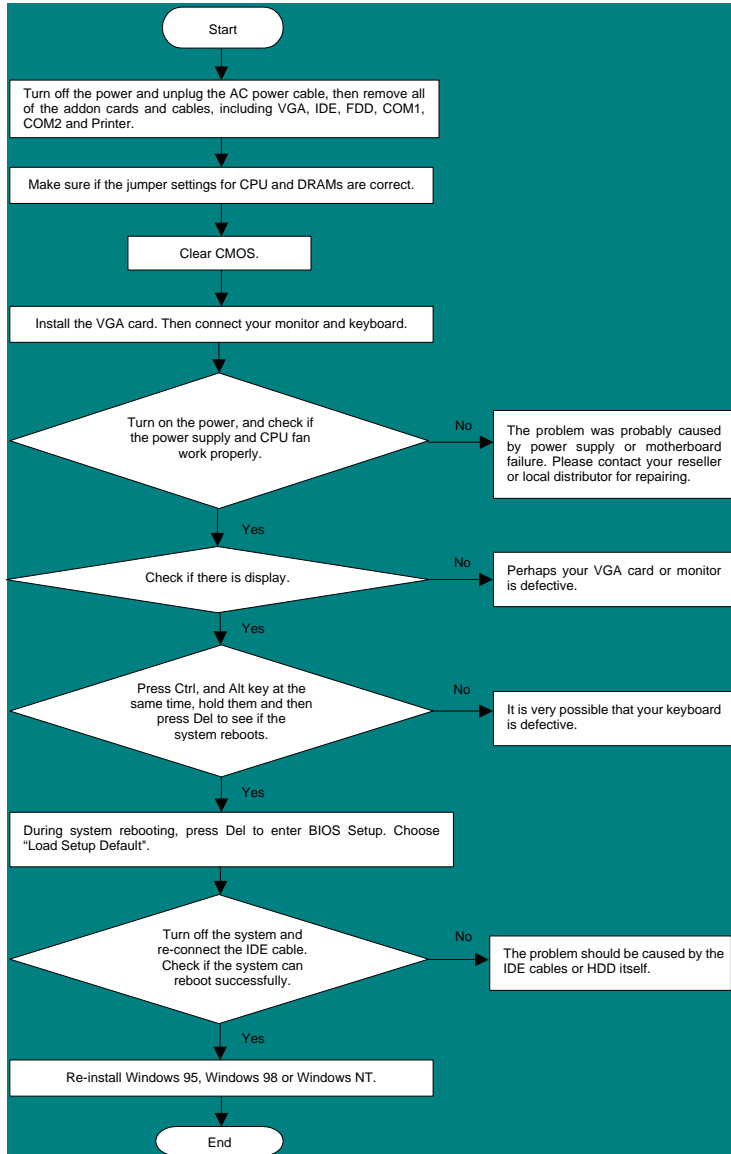
1. Download the new version of BIOS package zip file from AOpen official web site. (ex: <http://www.aopen.com>)
2. Unzip the download BIOS package (ex: WMX46L17.ZIP) with WinZip (<http://www.winzip.com>) in Windows environment.
3. Save the unzipped files into a folder, for example, WMX46L17.EXE & WMX46L17.BIN.
4. Double click on the WMX46L17.EXE, EZWinFlash will detect the model name and BIOS version of your motherboard. If you had got the wrong BIOS, you will not be allowed to proceed with the flash steps.
5. You may select preferred language in the main menu, then click [Start Flash] to start the BIOS upgrade procedure.
6. EZWinFlash will complete all the process automatically, and a dialogue box will pop up to ask you to restart Windows. You may click [YES] to reboot Windows.
7. Press at POST to enter BIOS setup, choose "Load Setup Defaults", then "Save & Exit Setup". Done!

Warning: The upgrade of new BIOS will permanently replace your original BIOS content after flashing. The original BIOS setting and Win95/Win98 PnP information will be refreshed and you probably need to re-configure your system.



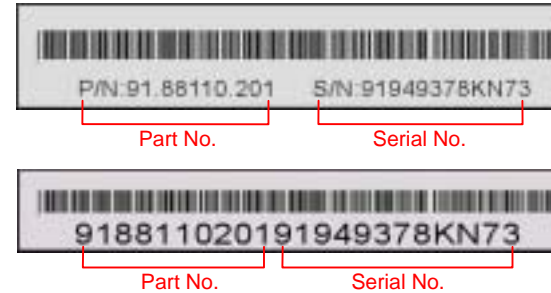
Troubleshooting

If you encounter any trouble to boot you system, follow the procedures accordingly to resolve the problem.



Part Number and Serial Number

The Part Number and Serial number are printed on bar code label. You can find this bar code label on the outside packing, on PCI/CPU slot or on component side of PCB. For example:



P/N: 91.88110.201 is part number, **S/N: 91949378KN73** is serial number.

Model name and BIOS version

Model name and BIOS version can be found on upper left corner of first boot screen (POST screen). For example:



MX46L is the model name of the motherboard; **R1.00** is BIOS version



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Online Manual: Please check the manual carefully and make sure the jumper settings and installation procedure are correct.
<http://www.aopen.com/tech/download/manual/default.htm>

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Test Report: We recommend choosing board/card/device from the compatibility test reports for assembling your PC.
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