

User Guide HU430 (Hurricane) NLX Motherboard

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1 Overview

The HU430 motherboard is an NLX form factor socket 7 design, with a local bus speed of 60 or 66MHz. The design is based around the Intel 430TX chipset. The board was designed to be compliant with the NLX specification 1.2 and must be used with an NLX riser that also conforms to this specification.

1.1 Motherboard Features

Form factor	NLX, 9.0" wide x 10.0" long
Processors	Socket 7 - P54C, P55C, K6, 60/66MHz bus speed
Power regulation	Adjustable processor core voltage regulator 2.1V to 3.6V, optional 3V3 regulator for 4 o/p PSUs
Core logic	Intel 430TX with PIIX4E ISA bridge
Cache	256KB or 512KB on-board L2
Memory – RAM	2 DIMMs for 64-bit unbuffered SDRAM (or EDO)
Memory - Flash ROM	2Mb: BIOS/Setup, USB, DMI, 120FD
Buses	3 bus master PCI slots and ISA
VGA	ATI VT3 (VT-B) part standard, 3D-RAGE II+ compatible, 1MB 40ns EDO upgradeable to 2MB
Audio – controller	Business audio only, Crystal CS4236B
Audio – features	MIDI/joystick header
Audio – output	Mono internal speaker, 'PHONES OUT, MIC IN jacks on motherboard rear panel
Hard Disk & CD-ROM	Dual ATA33 (UltraDMA/33)
Floppy Disk	Standard 3.5", 5.25" & tape drives. Support for 120MB via IDE
Parallel Port	IEEE 1284 (ECP & standard)
Serial Ports	2x 16550s: 9-way 'D' COM1, COM2
USB	Dual USB connector; optionally one channel can be routed to the NLX riser
Keyboard & Mouse	Dual-stacked PS/2 style keyboard/mouse connectors
Security	BIOS branding
IR I/O	IR routed to NLX riser, but not IRDA control signals
Power Management	Uses SMM. IRQ wake-up. Magic Packet & PCI PME# supported
Cooling	NLX fan signal and CPU fan switched by GPIO port in standby, CPU fansink connector on motheboard
System Management DMI instrumentation chip LM78 as optional fit	
Plug & Play	PC97 compliant
Battery back-up On-board lithium coin cell with 5 years life	
PCB	9.0" wide by 10.0" long, all top-side components

1.2 Configuration Options

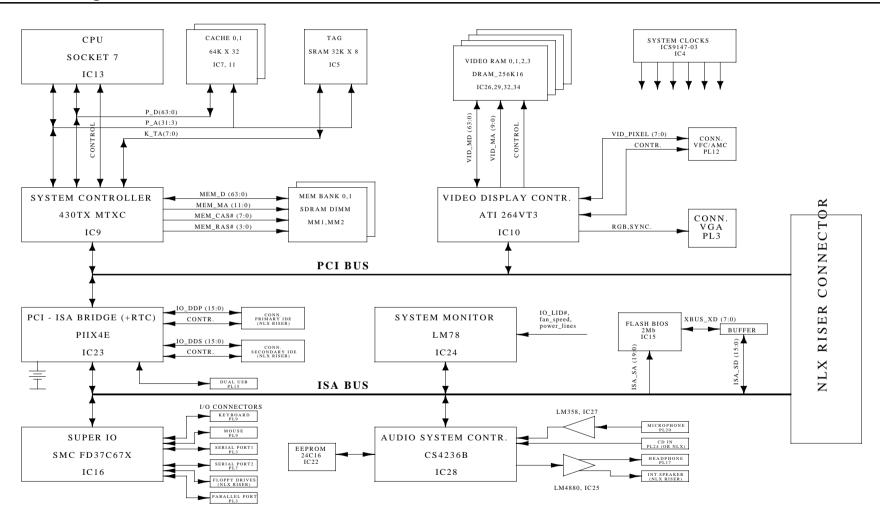
1.2.1 Build-time

- L2 cache can be 256KB or 512KB (using 32Kx32 or 64Kx32 parts)
- L2 cache can be PBSRAM or MDRAM technology
- Flash BIOS ROM can be 2Mb or 4Mb TSOP40
- Video controller can be VT3 (VT-B) or 3D-RAGE II+
- Video memory (EDO) can be 2MB (4 pieces) soldered down or 1MB (2 pieces) soldered + 2 upgrade sockets
- LM78 instrumentation amp populated or de-populated
- Audio populated or de-populated

1.2.2 User Configurable

- Processor support set by jumpers
- Flash BIOS boot block can be unprotected by a jumper (optional fit)
- Re-programming of Flash BIOS ROM can be disabled by a jumper (optional fit)
- Recovery code can be forced to run by a jumper (optional fit)
- Main jumper block processor bus speed, core multiplier, processor core voltage, enable/disable video, enable/disable audio

1.3 Block Diagram



2 Electronics

2.1 Processor

Processor support is for a dual voltage-plane socket 7, for the P54C, P55C and K6. Processor bus speeds allowed are 60 or 66MHz, and all core multipliers can be set from the main jumper block PL10. Depending on the processor fitted, the processor bus speed, core multiplier, and core voltage will have to be correctly set.

2.2 Core Logic

This is the Intel 430TX Pentium PCI chipset which comprises the MTXC North Bridge and the PIIX4E South Bridge, both in BGA packages:

Board Build	Part	Step	Top Marking
Rev A to D	MTXC	A1	FW82439TX Q536ES (sample)
			FW82439TX Q537ES (sample)
			FW82439TX SL238 (prodn.)
Rev D	MTXC	A2	FW82439TX SL28T (prodn.)
Rev A to D	PIIX4	B0	FW82371AB Q534ES (sample)
			FW82371AB Q535ES (sample)
			FW82371AB SL23P (prodn.)

MTXC North Bridge features

- 64-bit processor host interface, Pentium family at 60MHz and 66MHz
- 64-bit DRAM controller, 4MB to 256MB main memory, EDO or SDRAM
- L2 cache controller, 256KB or 512KB direct-mapped write-back, caches first 64MB main memory, PBSRAM or DRAM cache
- Synchronous 30MHz/33MHz 32-bit PCI 2.1 bus controller
- Data path and buffers, three sets of data buffers
- Power management features

PIIX4E South Bridge features

- PCI 2.1 interface at 30 & 33MHz
- ISA bus controller
- Extensive power management features including ACPI compliance
- IDE controller, two ports four drives, PIO mode 4 and Ultra 33 synchronous DMA mode
- Enhanced DMA controllers, with distributed DMA support
- Interrupt controllers, with serial interrupt support
- System timers
- Dual USB 1.0 port controller, 1.5/12 Mbps
- SMBus interface
- MC146818A compatible real-time clock with 256 bytes of RAM

2.3 Level 2 Cache

L2 cache controller is a direct-mapped write-back design. Only the first 64MB of main memory can be cached. It supports standard PBSRAM (15ns cycle time, 8ns clock to output) or DRAM-based cache

HU430 supports a 256KB cache size (with 2 pcs of 32K x 32) or a 512KB cache size (with 2 pcs of 64K x 32). Optional fit resistors set the appropriate register configuration bits in the MTXC at power-on. The cache size and type is a build option.

2.4 Memory

2.4.1 Main Memory

There are two DIMM sockets on board. Each socket is 64-bits wide and can accept EDO or SDRAM modules. These must be unbuffered types and parity/ECC is not supported. 4Mb, 16Mb and 64Mb EDO DRAM types and 16Mb and 64Mb SDRAM types are supported. Maximum memory per DIMM is 128MB with a maximum motherboard capacity of 256MB.

When populating memory DIMMs, either socket MM1 or MM2 may be used. In a single-DIMM system it will be easier to fit it into MM1 as another DIMM may be added to MM2 in the future without having to unplug the module in MM1.

2.4.2 BIOS

There is a single TSOP-40 geometry on the motherboard for the Flash EPROM. This is suitable for 1Mb, 2Mb or 4Mb parts with 5V or 12V programming voltages.

An optional enable/disable jumper, when placed in the disable position, blocks write cycles to the Flash. This means that commands and data cannot be written to the device. The boards will normally be shipped with the jumper absent, and the Flash set in the 'program enable' position.

The optional 'force recover' jumper sets a bit in a GPI port in the PIIX4 and is read by the BIOS. This is used to force a recovery situation such that data is read from the recovery disk in the floppy disk drive. Normally, this jumper is not fitted as a recovery situation is auto-detected by the BIOS.

The optional 'unlock boot jumper' enables the boot block to be temporarily unlocked for reprogramming.

HU430 has been designed so that the TSOP part can be programmed during ICT.

2.5 Video

Video controller support:

- ATI VT-B ("VT3") for standard builds
- ATI 3D-Rage II+, optional build

The video memory comprises 4 pieces of 256Kx16 40-pin SOJ to give a maximum of 2MB (64-bits wide). Board builds populated with only 1MB (2 pieces) will have two sockets fitted to enable the memory to be upgraded to 2MB. The memory type is 40ns EDO DRAM.

An AMC (ATI Media Connector) is also fitted; this is a 40-pin (extended) version of the 26-way VESA feature connector.

2.6 Audio

The audio system is based on the Crystal CS4236B. It is a single chip audio controller compatible with Sound Blaster, Sound Blaster Pro and the Windows Sound System.

Audio features:

- Plug-and-Play ISA bus interface
- 16-bit address decode support
- Internal FM Synthesis Support
- Dual DMA Support w/FIFOs, full duplex operation
- Programmable Power Management
- Joystick Port and MPU-401 compatible MIDI interface
- 6 channel Input Mixer.

The audio circuit's output stage is a National Semiconductor LM4880 stereo power amplifier (Boomer family). It drives a single mono internal speaker or a stereo headphone output jack. The amplifier will produce 600 mW RMS for the internal speaker and approximately 65 mW RMS per channel for stereo headphones (32Ω impedance). The stereo headphone output is derived from the stereo output mixer of the audio controller and the internal speaker's signal is derived from the audio controller's separate mono output stage. In the Windows mixer panel, it is necessary to un-mute the 'PC Speaker' output as this controls the audio controller's mono output.

A microphone input jack is provided with phantom power for electret condenser microphones. An optional CD-ROM audio connector is provided for connecting the internal CD-ROM drive's audio output into the motherboard sound system.

There is a 16-way header which provides the MIDI and joystick functionality via an optional-fit 15-way D-type cable assembly.

The audio section can be completely de-populated, leaving the conventional PC-Beep. The PC beep is always available from the small PCB-mounted speaker if the enable jumper is present. The output of the audio sub-system is never fed to the PCB-mounted speaker.

If the audio sub-system is not fitted, then the PC beep signal is fed up the NLX riser on the left channel. If the audio sub-system is fitted then the mono speaker output is fed up the NLX riser on the left channel.

2.7 Standard I/O

The SMC FDC37C675 combo controller provides standard I/O. This comprises the four functional blocks below. It is packaged in a 100-pin QFP and is fully PC97 and motherboard Plug-and-Play compliant. It supports three ISA DMA channels and supports a serial interrupt

scheme compatible with that of the PIIX4. This allows a wide selection of interrupt channels for the serial and parallel ports, and the floppy disk controller.

2.7.1 Keyboard and Mouse

This is implemented in an SMC 37C675 device on the motherboard. The keyboard and mouse controller uses the Phoenix Multikey version 1.40 firmware. PS/2 style keyboard and mouse ports are provided on the rear panel. This version does not support keyboard/mouse port swapping.

2.7.2 Floppy Disk Interface

This is implemented in an SMC 37C675 device on the motherboard. Standard 2-mode and 3-mode 3½" drives are supported. The 3-mode drive includes the 1.6MB (unformatted) mode that is popular in Japan; this requires a special OS device driver that installs the 1.6MB mode floppy disk drive as another system device.

The floppy disk drive signals are routed from the motherboard to the NLX riser and the floppy disk drive connector is mounted on the NLX riser.

As per the NLX specification, all floppy disk input signals to the motherboard must be pulled up on the NLX riser.

2.7.3 Serial Ports

This is implemented in an SMC 37C675 device on the motherboard. There are two standard COM ports which are wired to two standard 9-way D-type connectors on the rear panel. The maximum Baud rate is 115K bits per second.

2.7.4 Parallel Port

This is implemented in an SMC 37C675 device on the motherboard. This is EPP 1.7/1.9 and IEE1284 (ECP) compliant and is compatible with a standard (output only) PC parallel port as well as a bi-directional (PS/2 style) parallel port. There is a 25-way D-type connector on the rear panel.

2.8 Additional I/O

2.8.1 IDE Disk Controller

This is integrated into the PIIX4E South Bridge device. Two connectors are provided on the NLX riser allowing two drives per cable. The system BIOS auto-detects the drives fitted and sets the best signal timing appropriate for the drives. PIIX4E supports up to PIO mode 4 timing and bus master IDE transfers up to 33MBps (ATA33). The total cable length attached to each connector must not exceed 12" or signal integrity problems may result.

2.8.2 Universal Serial Bus (USB)

The controller is integrated into the PIIX4E. Two channels are wired to a dual-stacked USB connector provided on the rear panel. Optionally, the motherboard may have a single USB connector on the rear panel with one channel routed to the NLX riser.

2.8.3 System Management Bus (SMBus)

This is a two-wire bi-directional serial bus compatible with I²C. It comprises a bus master controller for interrogating other devices, and a slave controller enabling it to act as a slave to other bus masters. Devices that are connected to this bus are:

• main memory DIMMs

The video controller I²C bus is local to the video controller, AMC connector, and VGA connector.

2.9 Motherboard Power

2.9.1 Regulators

The board has a switched-mode regulator and optionally, a linear regulator. The switched-mode regulator provides the power for the processor core, and also powers the processor I/O in the case of a non-MMX Pentium. The 3V3 power for the rest of the motherboard is supplied either by an optional-fit on-board linear regulator or by the NLX power supply fed via the NLX riser.

Warnings: if the optional-fit linear regulator is fitted on the motherboard then the user must ensure that:

- 3V3 is not supplied to the motherboard from an NLX PSU via the NLX riser
- No peripheral or card on the riser uses the motherboard-generated 3V3

As the switched-mode regulator always supplies the CPU core, the voltage is selectable on the main jumper block to cater for different processor core voltages (the motherboard cannot detect this automatically).

2.9.2 Battery

An IEC-type CR2032 3V lithium coin cell and holder are fitted to the board. Cell capacities in the range 170mAh to 210mAh are acceptable. This cell typically provides battery backup of the RTC for five years. The battery can be replaced by the user - the clip needs to be prised back with a small screwdriver and the battery is lifted up by spring pressure.

2.10 Power Management

2.10.1 Global Power States

The ACPI global power states are summarised in the table below. The last three columns indicate the colour of a tri-colour LED when the red anode is connected to the 'power LED' signal from the NLX connector. The 'power LED' signal is controlled by the motherboard.

System power	AC input	PSU main	CPU	Green	Red	F/P
state		o/p rails		anode	anode	LED
MECH. OFF	disconnected	off	off	off	off	off
(G3)						
SOFT-OFF (G2)	connected	off	off	off	on or off	red or
					(build)	off
SLEEPING	connected	on	on: clock	on	on or off	orange
(G1/S1)			stopped		(s/w)	or green
WORKING (G0)	connected	on	full speed or	on	on or off	orange
			clock		(s/w)	or green
			throttling			

2.10.2 Power-on Control

On HU430 a GPO port is used to control the state after an AC reconnect, regardless of how the machine was powered off:

GPO27	Action	
Low machine powers-up in SOFT-OFF and waits for a power button press		
	before going into WORKING state	
High	machine powers straight into WORKING state	

The GPO port bit is set by the BIOS during each power-on sequence to determine the action to be taken on the next AC reconnect. This setting is retained by a battery-backed latch. If the battery is replaced then the board always waits for a power button press before going into the WORKING state; thereafter the board powers-up immediately upon AC reconnect unless the BIOS sets the GPO low.

2.11 Expansion Slots

The ISA and PCI expansion slots are located on the riser card. The ISA and PCI signals are routed through an edge connector on one edge of the board which mates with the NLX riser.

As per the NLX specification, the motherboard requires that the PCI signals are correctly terminated and pulled up on the NLX riser for the motherboard to operate properly.

2.11.1 Industry Standard Architecture (ISA)

The PIIX4E can support up to 5 ISA slots on the riser. There are an additional two ISA 'loads' used on the motherboard: the audio and super i/o controllers.

2.11.2 Peripheral Component Interconnect (PCI)

The motherboard can support up to 3 bus master PCI slots on the NLX riser.

2.12 Bus Resource Utilisation

2.12.1 ISA DMA Channels

DMA	Data Width	Usual Assignment	Audio	Combo
0	8-bit		option	
1	8-bit	Audio (8-bit)	option	option
2	8-bit	Floppy disk controller		option
3	8-bit	ECP parallel port	option	option
4	-	DMAC daisy chain		
5	16-bit			
6	16-bit			
7	16-bit			

Shaded areas indicate DMA channels not normally available on the ISA bus

2.12.2 ISA Interrupts

IRQ	Usual Assignment	Audio	Combo
0	Timer 0		
1	Keyboard		option
2	PIC daisy chain		option
3	Serial port 2		option
4	Serial port 1		option
5	Audio	option	option
6	Floppy disk controller		option
7	Parallel port	option	option
8	Real-time clock		option
9	Video	option	option
10			option
11		option	option
12	Mouse	option	option
13	Co-processor		option
14	Primary IDE		option
15	Secondary IDE	option	option

Shaded areas indicate IRQs not normally available on the ISA bus

2.12.3 PCI Interrupts

Channel	Device
INTA#	Slots
INTB#	Slots
INTC#	Slots
INTD#	Video & slots

2.12.4 PCI Device Selection

Dev No	IDSEL	Device	Function No	Function
0	AD(11)	MTXC		
4	AD(15)	VGA		
7	AD(18)	PIIX4E	0	PCI-ISA bridge
"	"	"	1	IDE interface
"	"	"	2	USB interface
"	"	"	3	Power management
16	AD(27)	Slot 3		
18	AD(29)	Slot 2		
20	AD(31)	Slot 1		

Slot resource depends on NLX riser conforming to NLX specification

2.12.5 PCI Arbitration

Channel	Device
PHOLD#	PIIX4E
0	VGA
1	Slot 1
2	Slot 2
3	Slot 3

3 Electrical, Mechanical, Thermal

3.1 Power Requirements

TBD

3.2 PCB

The PCB is a four-layer design measuring W9.0" x L10.0". It is designed to be NLX compatible. The following table shows a size comparison with current MEPCD α

motherboards. The 'width' dimension is the edge adjacent to the system rear panel which contains the I/O connectors:

	Length	Width	Comments
Standard LPX	13.0"	9.0"	
Spitfire	7.6"	9.0"	Small LPX
HU430	10.0"	9.0"	Small NLX

3.3 Thermal

The processor site needs to dissipate up to 28.3W. This will accommodate the 233MHz 0.35 μ m (3.2V) version of K6. The case temperature of Pentium, Pentium MMX or K6 processors must not exceed 70°C.

Appendix A. Jumpers And Switches

Main Jumper Block, PL10

BF1 and BF0 set the processor bus/core multiplier ratio on P54C and P55C processors, and BF2 is present to support the K6. The FS jumper selects a processor bus speed of 60 or 66 MHz.

The VGA jumper enables/disables the on-board VGA controller as follows:

VGA = IN	Enable on-board VGA controller
VGA = OUT	Disable on-board VGA
	controller

The AUDIO jumper enables/disables the on-board audio (if fitted) as follows:

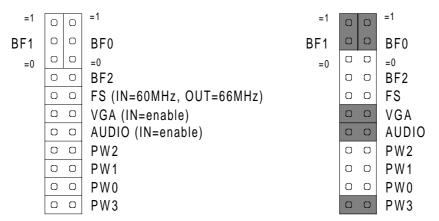
AUD = IN	Enable on-board audio
AUD = OUT	Disable on-board audio

Note that the BIOS auto-detects a video card plugged into an expansion slot and disables the on-board video. The VGA jumper provided disables the on-board VGA controller in hardware in case there is a problem with the auto-disable function.

The PW3-0 jumpers select the value of the processor core voltage. This is necessary as P54C, P55C and K6 processors require different core voltages. The board cannot automatically detect the core voltage that is required by the processor and so this must be set manually.

The table below shows supported CPUs with their configuration jumper settings; note that the presence of any processor type or speed in the table does not imply that it is or will be available:

CPU	Core/bus	Ratio	PCI/ISA bus	BF2	BF1	BF0	FS	Pw2	Pw1	Pw0	Pw3	Cor
	speeds		speeds									\mathbf{V}
P54C	90/60 MHz	3/2	30/7.5 MHz	OUT	1	1	IN	IN	IN	IN	IN	3.5
P54C	100/66 MHz	3/2	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	1	1	OUT	IN	IN	IN	IN	3.5
P54C	120/60 MHz	2/1	30/7.5 MHz	OUT	1	0	IN	IN	IN	IN	IN	3.5
P54C	133/66 MHz	2/1	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	1	0	OUT	IN	IN	IN	IN	3.5
P54C	150/60 MHz	5/2	30/7.5 MHz	OUT	0	0	IN	IN	IN	IN	IN	3.5
P54C	166/66 MHz	5/2	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	0	0	OUT	IN	IN	IN	IN	3.5
P55C	166/66 MHz	5/2	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	0	0	OUT	OUT	OUT	OUT	IN	2.8
K6	166/66 MHz	5/2	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	0	0	OUT	IN	OUT	OUT	IN	3.2
P54C	200/66 MHz	3/1	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	0	1	OUT	IN	IN	IN	IN	3.5
P55C	200/66 MHz	3/1	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	0	1	OUT	OUT	OUT	OUT	IN	2.8
K6	200/66 MHz	3/1	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	0	1	OUT	IN	OUT	OUT	IN	3.2
P55C	233/66 MHz	7/2	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	1	1	OUT	OUT	OUT	OUT	IN	2.8
K6 0.35μm	233/66 MHz	7/2	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	1	1	OUT	IN	OUT	OUT	IN	3.2
K6 0.25μm	233/66 MHz	7/2	33/8.33 MHz	OUT	1	1	OUT	OUT	IN	OUT	OUT	2.2
K6 0.25μm	266/66 MHz	4/1	33/8.33 MHz	IN	1	0	OUT	OUT	IN	OUT	OUT	2.2
K6 0.25μm	300/66 MHz	9/2	33/8.33 MHz	IN	0	0	OUT	OUT	IN	OUT	OUT	2.2



PL10 - Configuration Example - 233MHz P55C

MMX Power Jumper PL5

Note that these two jumpers must be fitted for a Pentium MMX or K6 processor to function correctly.

Position		Function
	1-2, 3-4	P55C MMX or K6
	No fit	P54C Pentium

Battery Jumper, PL19

Position	Function
1-2	Normal operation
2-3	Clear RTC CMOS RAM

Enable On-board Speaker, PL13

Position	Function
IN	Enable on-board speaker
OUT	Disable

Appendix B. Connector Assignments

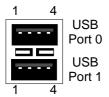
NLX Riser Edge Connector

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NLX Supplemental Edge Connector

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USB, PL15



- 1 +5V
- 2 DATA-
- 3 DATA+
- 4 GND

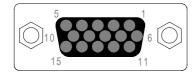
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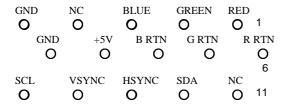
AMC, PL12

1	2	P0
3	4	P1
5	6	P2
7	8	P3
9	10	P4
11	12	P5
13	14	P6
15	16	P7
17	18	DCLK
19	20	BLANK#/SA
		D0
21	22	HSYNC/SAD1
23	24	VSYNC/SAD2
25	26	Digital ground
27	28	Key pin
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VGA, PL3





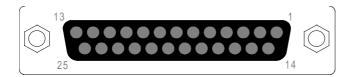
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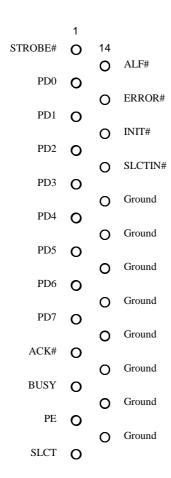
Keyboard & Mouse, PL9



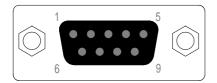
- 1 CLK
- 2 +5V
- 3 GND
- 4 No connect
- 5 DATA
- 6 No connect

Parallel Port, PL3





COM1, PL3 And COM2, PL7



1	DCD	Input	Data Carrier Detect
2	RXD	Input	Receive Data
3	TXD	Output	Transmit Data
4	DTR	Output	Data Terminal Ready
5	GND	Ground	Ground reference pin
6	DSR	Input	Data Set Ready
7	RTS	Output	Ready To Send
8	CTS	Input	Clear To Send
9	RI	Input	Ring Indicate

MIDI & Joystick Header, PL18

The +5V supply to this connector is fused with a 1.1A resettable fuse.

1	2	+5V
3	4	J/stick B fire 1
5	6	J/stick B x-ctrl
7	8	MIDI out
9	10	J/stick B y-ctrl
11	12	J/stick B fire 2
13	14	MIDI in
15	16	Key pin
	5 7 9 11 13	3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14

CPU Fan, PL16

The fan output is fused with a 0.75A resettable fuse. The maximum continuous current that can be supplied by the motherboard is 150mA.

1	Ground
2	+12V switched
3	Ground

Microphone In, PL20

Shld	Frame GND
Ring	Bias
Tip	Signal input

Headphones Out, PL17

Shld	Frame GND
Ring	Right output
Tip	Left output

CD Audio, PL24

This connector is not always fitted to the motherboard.

1	Reference
2	Left in
3	Reference
4	Right in

Reset, PL14

This connector is not always fitted to the motherboard.

To cause a reset event to occur, pin 1 must be shorted to ground.

- 1
- Input Ground 2