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NOVA WIFI

User Manual

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Chapter 1 Introduction

Thank you for purchasing ASRock X870E Nova WiFi 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.



Because the motherboard specifications and the BIOS software might be updated, the content of this documentation will be subject to change without notice. In case any modifications of this documentation occur, the updated version will be available on ASRock's website without further notice. If you require technical support related to this motherboard, please visit our website for specific information about the model you are using. You may find the latest VGA cards and CPU support list on ASRock's website as well. ASRock website http://www.asrock.com.

1.1 Package Contents

- ASRock X870E Nova WiFi Motherboard (ATX Form Factor)
- 4 x Serial ATA (SATA) Data Cables (Optional)
- 1 x ASRock WiFi 2.4/5/6 GHz Antenna (Optional)
- 1 x ARGB Splitter Cable (Optional)
- 3 x Thermistor Cables (Optional)

1.2 Specifications

Platform	ATX Form Factor8 Layer PCB2oz Copper PCB
CPU	 Supports AMD Socket AM5 Ryzen[™] 9000, 8000 and 7000 Series Processors* * The availability of expansion slots may vary by CPU. Please refer to PCIe/M.2 Bandwidth Table for details. (http://www. asrock.com/)
Chipset	• AMD X870E
Memory	 Dual Channel DDR5 Memory Technology 4 x DDR5 DIMM Slots Supports DDR5 ECC/non-ECC, un-buffered memory up to 8200+(OC)* Max. capacity of system memory: 256GB Supports Extreme Memory Profile (XMP) and EXTended Profiles for Overclocking (EXPO) memory modules * Please refer to Memory Support List on ASRock's website for more information. (http://www.asrock.com/)
Expansion Slot	 CPU: 1 x PCIe 5.0 x16 Slot (PCIE1), supports x16 mode* Chipset: 1 x PCIe 3.0 x1 Slot (PCIE2), supports x1 mode* 1 x PCIe 3.0 x16 Slot (PCIE3), supports x2 mode* 1 x Vertical M.2 Socket (Key E), supports type 2230 WiFi/BT PCIe WiFi module * PCIE1 will run at Gen5x16 with 9000 and 7000 series processors, Gen4x8 with 8000 (Phoenix 1) series processors and Gen4x4 with 8000 (Phoenix 2) series processors. * If M2_5 is occupied, PCIE3 will be disabled. * Supports NVMe SSD as boot disks

Graphics	 Integrated AMD RDNA[™] graphics (Actual support may vary by CPU) 1 x HDMI 2.1 TMDS/FRL 8G Compatible, supports HDR, HDCP 2.3 and max. resolution up to 4K 120Hz 2 x USB4, support HDCP 2.3 and max. resolution up to 8K 30Hz* * Only the CPU's embedded graphics can be displayed through USB4 ports. If you want to display to a Type-C monitor, please use AM5 Ryzen[™] 9000, 8000 and 7000 processors with embedded graphics.
Audio	 7.1 CH HD Audio with Content Protection (Realtek ALC4082 Audio Codec) Individual PCB Layers for R/L Audio Channel Nahimic Audio
LAN	5 Gigabit LAN 10/100/1000/2500/5000 Mb/sRealtek RTL8126
Wireless LAN	 802.11be 2x2 Wi-Fi 7 Module Supports IEEE 802.11a/b/g/n/ac/ax/axe/be Supports 2.4GHz/5GHz/6GHz* frequency band Supports 160MHz channel bandwidth with 6GHz* frequency band * Wi-Fi 7 (6GHz band) will be supported by Microsoft* Windows* 11. The availability will depend on the different regulation status of each country and region. It will be activated (for supported countries) through Windows Update and software updates once available. 1 antenna to support 2 (Transmit) x 2 (Receive) diversity technology Supports Bluetooth 5.4 Supports MU-MIMO

USB	 CPU: 2 x USB4 Type-C (Rear) 2 x USB 3.2 Gen2 Type-A (Rear (USB32_1 and USB32_7)) Chipset: 1 x USB 3.2 Gen2x2 Type-C (Front) 3 x USB 3.2 Gen2 Type-A (Rear (USB32_2 and USB32_56)) 7 x USB 3.2 Gen1 Type-A (3 Rear, 4 Front) 6 x USB 2.0 (2 Rear, 4 Front) * All USB ports support ESD Protection
Rear Panel I/O	 2 x Antenna Ports 1 x HDMI Port 1 x Optical SPDIF Out Port 2 x USB4 Type-C Ports (40 Gb/s)* 5 x USB 3.2 Gen2 Type-A Ports (10 Gb/s) (USB32_12 are Lightning Gaming Ports.) 3 x USB 3.2 Gen1 Type-A Ports (USB32_34 supports Ultra USB Power.) 2 x USB 2.0 Ports 1 x RJ-45 LAN Port 1 x Clear CMOS Button 1 x BIOS Flashback Button 1 x Line Out Jack (Gold Audio Jack) * Supports USB PD 3.0 up to 5V@3A (15W) charging
Storage	 CPU: 1 x Blazing M.2 Socket (M2_1, Key M), supports type 2280 PCIe Gen5x4 (128 Gb/s) mode* Chipset: 1 x Hyper M.2 Socket (M2_2, Key M), supports type 2280 PCIe Gen4x4 (64 Gb/s) mode* 1 x Hyper M.2 Socket (M2_3, Key M), supports type 2280 PCIe Gen4x4 (64 Gb/s) mode* 1 x Hyper M.2 Socket (M2_4, Key M), supports type 2280 PCIe Gen4x4 (64 Gb/s) mode* 1 x Myper M.2 Socket (M2_5, Key M), supports type 2280 PCIe Gen4x4 (64 Gb/s) mode* 1 x M.2 Socket (M2_5, Key M), supports type 2280 SATA3 6.0 Gb/s & PCIe Gen3x2 (16 Gb/s) modes* 2 x SATA3 6.0 Gb/s Connectors

	ASMedia ASM1061: • 2 x SATA3 6.0 Gb/s Connectors
	 * Supports NVMe SSD as boot disks * M2_1 is the first priority for M.2 installation. * M2_1 will run at Gen5x4 with 9000 and 7000 series processors and Gen4x4 with 8000 (Phoenix 1 and Phoenix 2) series processors. * If M2_5 is occupied, PCIE3 will be disabled.
RAID	 Supports RAID 0 and RAID 1 for SATA storage devices Supports RAID 0, RAID 1 and RAID 10 for M.2 NVMe storage devices
Connector	 3 x Thermistor Cable Headers 1 x Power LED and Speaker Header 1 x RGB LED Header* 3 x Addressable LED Headers** 2 x CPU Fan Connector (4-pin) (Smart Fan Speed Control)*** 3 x Chassis Fan Connectors (4-pin) (Smart Fan Speed Control)*** 1 x AIO Pump Fan Connector (4-pin) (Smart Fan Speed Control)*** 1 x AIO Pump Fan Connector (4-pin) (Smart Fan Speed Control)*** 1 x Water Pump Fan Connector (4-pin) (Smart Fan Speed Control)*** 1 x Vater Pump Fan Connector (4-pin) (Smart Fan Speed Control)*** 1 x 24 pin ATX Power Connector (Hi-Density Power Connector) 2 x 8 pin 12V Power Connectors (Hi-Density Power Connector) 2 x USB 2.0 Headers (Support 4 USB 2.0 ports) 2 x USB 3.2 Gen1 Headers (Support 4 USB 3.2 Gen1 ports) 1 x Front Panel Type C USB 3.2 Gen2x2 Header (20 Gb/s) 1 x Dr. Debug with LED 1 x Reset Button with LED 1 x Reset Button with LED * Supports in total up to 12V/3A, 36W LED Strip

	*** CPU_FAN1 supports the fan power up to 1A (12W). *** CPU_FAN2, CHA_FAN1~3, AIO_PUMP and W_PUMP support the fan power up to 3A (36W). *** CPU_FAN2, CHA_FAN1~3, AIO_PUMP and W_PUMP can auto detect if 3-pin or 4-pin fan is in use.
BIOS Feature	• AMI UEFI Legal BIOS with GUI support
OS	• Microsoft [*] Windows [*] 10 64-bit / 11 64-bit
Certifica- tions	FCC, CEErP/EuP ready (ErP/EuP ready power supply is required)

* For detailed product information, please visit our website: <u>http://www.asrock.com</u>



Please realize that there is a certain risk involved with overclocking, including adjusting the setting in the BIOS, applying Untied Overclocking Technology, or using third-party overclocking tools. Overclocking may affect your system's stability, or even cause damage to the components and devices of your system. It should be done at your own risk and expense. We are not responsible for possible damage caused by overclocking.

1.3 Motherboard Layout



No.	Description
1	8 pin 12V Power Connector (ATX12V1)
2	8 pin 12V Power Connector (ATX12V2)
3	CPU Fan Connector (CPU_FAN1)
4	2 x 288-pin DDR5 DIMM Slots (DDR5_A1, DDR5_B1)
5	CPU Fan Connector (CPU_FAN2)
6	2 x 288-pin DDR5 DIMM Slots (DDR5_A2, DDR5_B2)
7	AIO Pump Fan Connector (AIO_PUMP)
8	Power Button (PWRBTN1)
9	Reset Button (RSTBTN1)
10	Addressable LED Header (ADDR_LED3)
11	Addressable LED Header (ADDR_LED2)
12	ATX Power Connector (ATXPWR1)
13	Front Panel Type C USB 3.2 Gen2x2 Header (USB32_TC1)
14	USB 3.2 Gen1 Header (USB32_11_12)
15	SATA3 Connectors (SATA3_2)(Upper), (SATA3_1)(Lower)
16	SATA3 Connectors (SATA3_A2)(Upper), (SATA3_A1)(Lower)
17	System Panel Header (PANEL1)
18	Power LED and Speaker Header (SPK_PLED1)
19	Clear CMOS Jumper (CLRCMOS1)
20	USB 3.2 Gen1 Header (USB32_9_10)
21	Thermistor Cable Header (T_SENSOR1)
22	Thermistor Cable Header (T_SENSOR2)
23	Thermistor Cable Header (T_SENSOR3)
24	Water Pump Fan Connector (W_PUMP)
25	Chassis Fan Connector (CHA_FAN1)
26	Chassis Fan Connector (CHA_FAN2)
27	Chassis Fan Connector (CHA_FAN3)
28	USB 2.0 Header (USB_5_6)
29	USB 2.0 Header (USB_3_4)
30	Addressable LED Header (ADDR_LED1)
31	RGB LED Header (RGB_LED1)
32	Front Panel Audio Header (HD_AUDIO1)

1.4 I/O Panel



* Ultra USB Power is supported on USB32_34 ports. ACPI wake-up function is not supported on USB32_34 ports.

**There are two LEDs on each LAN port. Please refer to the table below for the LAN port LED indications.



LAN Port

Activity / Link LED		Speed LED		
Status	Description	Status	Description	
Off	No Link	Off	10Mbps connection	
Blinking	Data Activity	Orange	100Mbps/1Gbps/2.5	
			connection	
On	Link	Green	5Gbps connection	
			connection	

Channel	Port	Function
2ch	Line Out Jack	Event encelver out
	(Rear Panel)	Front speaker out
4 ab	Pink-Mic	Pear speaker out
4011	(Front Panel)	Real speaker out
5 1 J	Microphone Input Jack	Central/Subwoofer speaker out
5.101	(Rear Panel)	Central/Subwooler speaker out
7 1 ch	Lime-Headphone	Sido Spoolson out
7.101	(Front Panel)	Side Speaker out

*** Function of the Audio Ports in 2, 4, 5.1 or 7.1-channel Configuration:

**** USB32_12 are the Lightning Gaming Ports.



1.5 Block Diagram

1.6 802.11be Wi-Fi 7 Module and ASRock WiFi 2.4/5/6 GHz Antenna

802.11be Wi-Fi 7 + BT Module

This motherboard comes with an exclusive 802.11 a/b/g/n/ac/ax/axe/be Wi-Fi 7 + BT v5.4 module that offers support for 802.11 a/b/g/n/ac/ax/axe/be Wi-Fi 7 connectivity standards and Bluetooth v5.4. Wi-Fi 7 + BT module is an easy-to-use wireless local area network (WLAN) adapter to support Wi-Fi 7 + BT. Bluetooth v5.4 standard features Smart Ready technology that adds a whole new class of functionality into the mobile devices.

* The transmission speed may vary according to the environment.

* Wi-Fi 7 (6GHz band) will be supported by Microsoft[®] Windows[®] 11. The availability will depend on the different regulation status of each country and region. It will be activated (for supported countries) through Windows Update and software updates once available.

Chapter 2 Installation

This is an ATX form factor motherboard. Before you install the motherboard, study the configuration of your chassis to ensure that the motherboard fits into it.

Pre-installation Precautions

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

- Make sure to unplug the power cord before installing or removing the motherboard components. Failure to do so may cause physical injuries and damages to motherboard components.
- In order to avoid damage from static electricity to the motherboard's components, NEVER place your motherboard directly on a carpet. Also remember to use a grounded wrist strap or touch a safety grounded object before you handle the components.
- Hold components by the edges and do not touch the ICs.
- Whenever you uninstall any components, place them on a grounded anti-static pad or in the bag that comes with the components.
- When placing screws to secure the motherboard to the chassis, please do not overtighten the screws! Doing so may damage the motherboard.

2.1 Installing the CPU



- I. Before you insert the 1718-Pin CPU into the socket, please check if the PnP cap is on the socket, if the CPU surface is unclean, or if there are any bent pins in the socket. Do not force to insert the CPU into the socket if above situation is found. Otherwise, the CPU will be seriously damaged.
- 2. Unplug all power cables before installing the CPU.



Tutorial Video







Turn your CPU to the correct orientation before opening the CPU socket cover.













Carefully place the CPU in as flat as possible. Do not drop it.







Make sure the CPU is aligned with the socket before locking it into place.





Make sure the black cover plate is always in place until it pops off when closing the socket lever.



Please save the cover if the processor is removed. The cover must be placed if you wish to return the motherboard for after service.

2.2 Installing the CPU Fan and Heatsink

After you install the CPU into this motherboard, it is necessary to install a larger heatsink and cooling fan to dissipate heat. You also need to spray thermal grease between the CPU and the heatsink to improve heat dissipation. Make sure that the CPU and the heatsink are securely fastened and in good contact with each other.



Installing the CPU Cooler (Type 1)











Installing the CPU Cooler (Type 2)













*The illustrations shown here are for reference purposes only and may not exactly match the model you purchase.

Installing the CPU Cooler (Type 3)



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Please note that only one cable should be used at a time in this step. If you select RGB_LED1, please install ASRock utility "ASRock Polychrome SYNC". If you select USB connector, please install AMD utility "SR3 Settings Software".

*The illustrations shown here are for reference purposes only and may not exactly match the model you purchase.

2.3 Installing Memory Modules (DIMM)

This motherboard provides four 288-pin DDR5 (Double Data Rate 5) 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) DDR5 DIMM pairs.

- It is unable to activate Dual Channel Memory Technology with only one or three memory module installed.
- 3. It is not allowed to install a DDR, DDR2, DDR3 or DDR4 memory module into a DDR5 slot; otherwise, this motherboard and DIMM may be damaged.
- 4. 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.

Recommended Memory Configuration

1 DIMM

A1	A2	B1	B2
			V
2 DIMMs			
A1	A2	B1	B2
	V		V
4 DIMMs			
A1	A2	B1	B2
V	V	V	V



2.4 Connecting the Front Panel Header



2.5 Installing the Motherboard



2.6 Installing SATA Drives



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SATA Data Cable



2.7 Installing a Graphics Card



Skip Step 2 if you install a graphics card into PCIE1 slot. Illustrations here are examples only.
Removing a Graphics Card from PCIE1 Slot

Please follow the steps below to release the PCIe slot latch on PCIE1 and remove the graphics card.



 Slide the latch to the right to release the graphics card from the PCIe slot. Green indicator shows that the latch is properly released.



You can now easily remove the graphics card from the PCIe slot.
*Please ensure that the system power cable is removed when removing the graphics card.

Expansion Slots (PCle Slots)

There are 3 PCI Express slots on the motherboard.



Before installing an 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.

PCIe slots:

PCIE1 (PCIe 5.0 x16 slot) is used for PCIe x16 lane width graphics cards. PCIE2 (PCIe 3.0 x1 slot) is used for PCIe x1 lane width cards. PCIE3 (PCIe 3.0 x16 slot) is used for PCIe x2 lane width graphics cards.

* PCIE1 will run at Gen5x16 with 9000 and 7000 series processors, Gen4x8 with 8000 (Phoenix 1) series processors and Gen4x4 with 8000 (Phoenix 2) series processors.

* If M2_5 is occupied, PCIE3 will be disabled.

2.8 Connecting Peripheral Devices



2.9 Connecting the Power Connectors



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2.10 Power On



2.11 Jumpers Setup

The illustration shows how jumpers are setup. When the jumper cap is placed on the pins, the jumper is "Short". If no jumper cap is placed on the pins, the jumper is "Open".



Clear CMOS Jumper (CLRCMOS1) (see p.7, No. 19)

CLRCMOS1 allows you to clear the data in CMOS. The data in CMOS includes system setup information such as system password, date, time, and system setup parameters. To clear and reset the system parameters to default setup, please turn off the computer and unplug the power cord, then use a jumper cap to short the pins on CLRCMOS1 for 3 seconds. Please remember to remove the jumper cap after clearing the CMOS. 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.



CLRCMOS1

Short: Clear CMOS Open: Default

2.12 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 to the motherboard.

System Panel Header

(9-pin PANEL1) (see p.7, No. 17)

Connect the power button, reset button 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 Button):

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

RESET (Reset Button):

Connect to the reset button on the chassis front panel. Press the reset button 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 button, reset button, 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 assignments are matched correctly. Power LED and Speaker Header (7-pin SPK_PLED1) (see p.7, No. 18)

Please connect the chassis power LED and the chassis speaker to this header.



SPK_PLED1



Serial ATA3 Connectors <u>Right Angle</u>: (SATA3_1) (see p.7, No. 15)(Lower) (SATA3_2) (see p.7, No. 15)(Upper) (SATA3_A1) (see p.7, No. 16)(Lower) (SATA3_A2) (see p.7, No. 16)(Upper)

These four SATA3 connectors support SATA data cables for internal storage devices with up to 6.0 Gb/s data transfer rate.

To minimize the boot time, use AMD X870E SATA ports (SATA3_1_2) for your bootable devices.





USB 2.0 Headers

(9-pin USB_3_4) (see p.7, No. 29)

(9-pin USB_5_6) (see p.7, No. 28)

There are two headers on this motherboard. Each USB 2.0 header can support two ports.



USB 3.2 Gen1 Headers <u>Verical</u>: (19-pin USB32_9_10) (see p.7, No. 20) <u>Right Angle</u>: (19-pin USB32_11_12) (see p.7, No. 14)

There are two headers on this motherboard. Each USB 3.2 Gen1 header can support two ports.



Front Panel Type C USB 3.2 Gen2x2 Header (20-pin USB32_TC1) (see p.7, No. 13)

There is one Front Panel Type C USB 3.2 Gen2x2 Header on this motherboard. This header is used for connecting a USB 3.2 Gen2x2 module for additional USB 3.2 Gen2x2 ports.



USB32_TC1



USB Type-C Cable

Front Panel Audio Header (9-pin HD_AUDIO1) (see p.7, No. 32)

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This header is for connecting audio devices to the front audio panel.



High Definition Audio supports Jack Sensing, but the panel wire on the chassis must support HDA to function correctly. Please follow the instructions in our manual and chassis manual to install your system. Chassis Fan Connectors

(4-pin CHA_FAN1) (see p.7, No. 25)

(4-pin CHA_FAN2) (see p.7, No. 26)

(4-pin CHA_FAN3) (see p.7, No. 27)

These headers allow you to connect Case or Radiator fans. If you plan to connect a 3-pin fan, please connect it to Pin 1-3.



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CPU Fan Connector

(4-pin CPU_FAN1) (see p.7, No. 3)

This header allows you to connect CPU fan. If you plan to connect a 3-pin fan, please connect it to Pin 1-3.



CPU Fan Connector

(4-pin CPU_FAN2) (see p.7, No. 5)

This header allows you to connect CPU fan or Water Pump. If you plan to connect a 3-pin fan, please connect it to Pin 1-3.



CPU_FAN2



Water Pump Fan Connector

(4-pin W_PUMP) (see p.7, No. 24)

This header allows you to connect Water Pump or fan. If you plan to connect a 3-pin fan, please connect it to Pin 1-3.



AIO Pump Fan Connector (4-pin AIO_PUMP) (see p.7, No. 7)

This header allows you to connect AIO (All-in-One) pump or fan. If you plan to connect a 3-pin AIO cooler fan, please connect it to Pin 1-3.



AIO_PUMP



ATX Power Connector

(24-pin ATXPWR1) (see p.7, No. 12)

This motherboard provides a 24-pin ATX power connector. To use a 20-pin ATX power supply, please plug it along Pin 1 and Pin 13.



ATXPWR1



ATX 12V Power Connectors

(8-pin ATX12V1) (see p.7, No. 1)

(8-pin ATX12V2) (see p.7, No. 2)

This motherboard provides two 8-pin ATX 12V power connectors. To use a 4-pin ATX power supply, please plug it along Pin 1 and Pin 5.

*Connecting an ATX 12V 8-pin cable to ATX12V2 is optional.

*Warning: Please make sure that the power cable connected is for the CPU and not the graphics card. Do not plug the PCIe power cable to this connector.



Thermistor Cable Headers

(2-pin T_SENSOR1) (see p.7, No. 21)

(2-pin T_SENSOR2) (see p.7, No. 22)

(2-pin T_SENSOR3) (see p.7, No. 23)

The Thermistor Cable Headers are used to connect thermistor cables to monitor the temperature of the critical components. Plug the thermistor cables that come with the package to these headers, and then attach the sensor ends to the components to detect their temperature.



Connect your Thermistor Cables to the Thermistor Cable Headers (T_SENSOR1 / T_SENSOR2 / T_SENSOR3) on the motherboard.



RGB LED Header

(4-pin RGB_LED1) (see p.7, No. 31)

This RGB header is used to connect RGB LED extension cable which allow users to choose from various LED lighting effects.

Caution: Never install the RGB LED cable in the wrong orientation; otherwise, the cable may be damaged.



RGB LED1 QQQQ

Connect your RGB LED strip to the **RGB LED Header (RGB_LED1)** on the motherboard.





 Never install the RGB LED cable in the wrong orientation; otherwise, the cabl may be damaged.

 Before installing or removing your RGB LED cable, please power off your system and unplug the power cord from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause damages to motherboard components.

- 1. Please note that the RGB LED strips do not come with the package.
- The RGB LED header supports standard 5050 RGB LED strip (12V/G/R/B), with a maximum power rating of 3A (12V) and length within 2 meters.

Addressable LED Headers

(3-pin ADDR_LED1) (see p.7, No. 30)

(3-pin ADDR_LED2) (see p.7, No. 11)

(3-pin ADDR_LED3) (see p.7, No. 10)

These headers are used to connect Addressable LED extension cables which allow users to choose from various LED lighting effects.

Caution: Never install the Addressable LED cable in the wrong orientation; otherwise, the cable may be damaged.



Connect your Addressable RGB LED strips to the **Addressable LED Headers (ADDR_ LED1 / ADDR_LED2 / ADDR_LED3)** on the motherboard.





The ARGB Splitter Cable that comes with the package allows you to extend and connect various addressable RGB LED strips or devices through a single 3-pin Addressable LED Header on the motherboard.



2.13 Smart Buttons

The motherboard has four smart switches: Power Button, Reset Button, Clear CMOS Buttons and BIOS Flashback Button, allowing users to quickly turn on/off the system, reset the system, clear the CMOS values or flash the BIOS.

Power Button (PWRBTN1) (see p.7, No. 8)

Power Button allows users to quickly turn on/off the system.



PWRBTN1



Reset Button

(RSTBTN1) (see p.7, No. 9)

Reset Button allows users to quickly reset the system.



RSTBTN1



Clear CMOS Button

(CLRCMOS) (see p.9, No. 16)

Clear CMOS Button allows users to quickly clear the CMOS values.



CLRCMOS



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This function is workable only when you power off your computer and unplug the power supply. **BIOS Flashback Button**

(BIOS_FB) (see p.9, No. 1)

BIOS Flashback Button allows users to flash the BIOS.







ASRock BIOS Flashback feature allows you to update BIOS without powering on the system, even without CPU.



Before using the BIOS Flashback function, please suspend BitLocker and any encryption or security relying on the TPM. Make sure that you have already stored and backup-ed he recovery key. If the recovery key is missing while encryption is active, the data will stay encrypted and the system will not boot into the operating system. It is recommended to distible fTPM before updating the BIOS. Otherwise an unpredictable failure may occur.

To use the USB BIOS Flashback function, Please follow the steps below.

- 1. Download the latest BIOS file from ASRock's website : http://www.asrock.com.
- Copy the BIOS file to your USB flash drive. Please make sure the file system of your USB flash drive must be FAT32.
- 3. Extract BIOS file from the zip file.
- Rename the file to "creative.rom" and save it to the root directory of X: USB flash drive.
- 5. Plug the 24-pin power connector to the motherboard. Then turn on the power supply's AC switch.

*There is no need to power on the system.

- 6. Then plug your USB drive to the USB BIOS Flashback port.
- 7. Press the BIOS Flashback Switch for about three seconds. Then the LED starts to blink.
- Wait until the LED stops blinking, indicating that BIOS flashing has been completed.

*If the LED light turns solid green, this means that the BIOS Flashback is not operating properly. Please make sure that you plug the USB drive to the USB BIOS Flashback port.

**If the LED does not light up at all, then please disconnect power from the system and remove/disconnect the CMOS battery from the motherboard for several minutes. Reconnect power and battery and try again.

2.14 Dr. Debug

Dr. Debug is used to provide code information, which makes troubleshooting even easier. Please see the diagrams below for reading the Dr. Debug codes.

Code	Description
0x10	PEI_CORE_STARTED
0x11	PEI_CAR_CPU_INIT
0x15	PEI_CAR_NB_INIT
0x19	PEI_CAR_SB_INIT
0x31	PEI_MEMORY_INSTALLED
0x32	PEI_CPU_INIT
0x33	PEI_CPU_CACHE_INIT
0x34	PEI_CPU_AP_INIT
0x35	PEI_CPU_BSP_SELECT
0x36	PEI_CPU_SMM_INIT
0x37	PEI_MEM_NB_INIT
0x3B	PEI_MEM_SB_INIT
0x4F	PEI_DXE_IPL_STARTED
0x60	DXE_CORE_STARTED
0x61	DXE_NVRAM_INIT
0x62	DXE_SBRUN_INIT

0x63	DXE_	_CPU_	_INIT

0x68 DXE_NB_HB_INIT

0x69 DXE_NB_INIT

0x6A DXE_NB_SMM_INIT

0x70 DXE_SB_INIT

0x71 DXE_SB_SMM_INIT

0x72 DXE_SB_DEVICES_INIT

0x78 DXE_ACPI_INIT

0x79 DXE_CSM_INIT

0x90 DXE_BDS_STARTED

0x91 DXE_BDS_CONNECT_DRIVERS

0x92 DXE_PCI_BUS_BEGIN

0x93 DXE_PCI_BUS_HPC_INIT

0x94 DXE_PCI_BUS_ENUM

0x95 DXE_PCI_BUS_REQUEST_RESOURCES

0x96 DXE_PCI_BUS_ASSIGN_RESOURCES

0x97 DXE_CON_OUT_CONNECT

0x98 DXE_CON_IN_CONNECT

0x99	DXE_SIO_INIT
0x9A	DXE_USB_BEGIN
0x9B	DXE_USB_RESET
0x9C	DXE_USB_DETECT
0x9D	DXE_USB_ENABLE
0xA0	DXE_IDE_BEGIN
0xA1	DXE_IDE_RESET
0xA2	DXE_IDE_DETECT
0xA3	DXE_IDE_ENABLE
0xA4	DXE_SCSI_BEGIN
0xA5	DXE_SCSI_RESET
0xA6	DXE_SCSI_DETECT
0xA7	DXE_SCSI_ENABLE
0xA8	DXE_SETUP_VERIFYING_PASSWORD
0xA9	DXE_SETUP_START
0xAB	DXE_SETUP_INPUT_WAIT
0xAD	DXE_READY_TO_BOOT
0xAE	DXE_LEGACY_BOOT

0xAF DXE_EXIT_BOOT_SERVICES

- 0xB0 RT_SET_VIRTUAL_ADDRESS_MAP_BEGIN
- 0xB1 RT_SET_VIRTUAL_ADDRESS_MAP_END
- 0xB2 DXE_LEGACY_OPROM_INIT
- 0xB3 DXE_RESET_SYSTEM
- 0xB4 DXE_USB_HOTPLUG
- 0xB5 DXE_PCI_BUS_HOTPLUG
- 0xB6 DXE_NVRAM_CLEANUP
- 0xB7 DXE_CONFIGURATION_RESET
- 0xF0 PEI_RECOVERY_AUTO
- 0xF1 PEI_RECOVERY_USER
- 0xF2 PEI_RECOVERY_STARTED
- 0xF3 PEI_RECOVERY_CAPSULE_FOUND
- 0xF4 PEI_RECOVERY_CAPSULE_LOADED
- 0xE0 PEI_S3_STARTED
- 0xE1 PEI_S3_BOOT_SCRIPT
- 0xE2 PEI_S3_VIDEO_REPOST

(0xE3	PEI_S3_OS_WAKE
(0x50	PEI_MEMORY_INVALID_TYPE
(0x53	PEI_MEMORY_NOT_DETECTED
(0x55	PEI_MEMORY_NOT_INSTALLED
(0x57	PEI_CPU_MISMATCH
(0x58	PEI_CPU_SELF_TEST_FAILED
(0x59	PEI_CPU_NO_MICROCODE
(0x5A	PEI_CPU_ERROR
(0x5B	PEI_RESET_NOT_AVAILABLE
(0xD0	DXE_CPU_ERROR
(0xD1	DXE_NB_ERROR
(0xD2	DXE_SB_ERROR
(0xD3	DXE_ARCH_PROTOCOL_NOT_AVAILABLE
(0xD4	DXE_PCI_BUS_OUT_OF_RESOURCES
(0xD5	DXE_LEGACY_OPROM_NO_SPACE
(0xD6	DXE_NO_CON_OUT
(0xD7	DXE_NO_CON_IN

0xD8	DXE_INVAL	ID_PASSWORD
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- 0xD9 DXE_BOOT_OPTION_LOAD_ERROR
- 0xDA DXE_BOOT_OPTION_FAILED
- 0xDB DXE_FLASH_UPDATE_FAILED
- 0xDC DXE_RESET_NOT_AVAILABLE
- 0xE8 PEI_MEMORY_S3_RESUME_FAILED
- 0xE9 PEI_S3_RESUME_PPI_NOT_FOUND
- 0xEA PEI_S3_BOOT_SCRIPT_ERROR
- 0xEB PEI_S3_OS_WAKE_ERROR

2.15 M.2 SSD Installation Guide (M2_1)

The M.2 is a small size and versatile card edge connector that aims to replace mPCIe and mSATA. The Blazing M.2 Socket (M2_1, Key M), supports type 2280 PCIe Gen5x4 (128 Gb/s) mode.

* M2_1 is the first priority for M.2 installation.

* M2_1 will run at Gen5x4 with 9000 and 7000 series processors and Gen4x4 with 8000 (Phoenix 1 and Phoenix 2) series processors.

Installing the M.2 SSD



Step 1

Prepare a M.2 SSD.



Step 2

Depending on the PCB type and length of your M.2 SSD, find the corresponding nut location to be used.



Step 3

Push the button on the M.2 heatsink in the direction shown (A). Then lift up the heatsink (B) and move it in the direction shown (C).

*Please remove the protective films on the bottom side of the M.2 heatsink before you install a M.2 SSD.

Step 4

Align and gently insert the M.2 SSD into the M.2 slot. Please be aware that the M.2 SSD only fits in one orientation.



Step 5

Ensure that the notch at the end of the M.2 SSD aligns with the nut. Then secure the M.2 SSD by turning the nut lock clockwise to its locked position.



Step 6

Hook the tab of the M.2 heatsink back onto the standoff.



Step 7

Press the M.2 heatsink down into place.

*Be sure not to press down the button on the M.2 heatsink.



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2.16 M.2 SSD Installation Guide (M2_2/M2_3/M2_4)

The M.2 is a small size and versatile card edge connector that aims to replace mPCIe and mSATA. The Hyper M.2 Socket (M2_2, Key M), supports type 2280 PCIe Gen4x4 (64 Gb/s) mode. The Hyper M.2 Socket (M2_3, Key M), supports type 2280 PCIe Gen4x4 (64 Gb/s) mode. The Hyper M.2 Socket (M2_4, Key M), supports type 2280 PCIe Gen4x4 (64 Gb/s) mode.

Installing the M.2 SSD



Step 1

Prepare a M.2 SSD.



Step 2

Depending on the PCB type and length of your M.2 SSD, find the corresponding nut location to be used.


Before installing a M.2 SSD, please loosen the screws to remove the M.2 heatsink.

*Please remove the protective films on the bottom side of the M.2 heatsink before you install a M.2 SSD.

Step 4

Align and gently insert the M.2 SSD into the M.2 slot. Please be aware that the M.2 SSD only fits in one orientation.





Step 5

Ensure that the notch at the end of the M.2 SSD aligns with the nut. Then secure the M.2 SSD by turning the nut lock clockwise to its locked position.



Tighten the screws with a screwdriver to secure the M.2 heatsink into place. Please do not overtighten the screws as this might damage the M.2 heatsink.

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2.17 M.2 SSD Installation Guide (M2_5)

The M.2 is a small size and versatile card edge connector that aims to replace mPCIe and mSATA. The M.2 Socket (M2_5, Key M), supports type 2280 SATA3 6.0 Gb/s & PCIe Gen3x2 (16 Gb/s) modes.

* If M2_5 is occupied, PCIE3 will be disabled.

Installing the M.2 SSD



Step 1

Prepare a M.2 SSD..



Step 2

Depending on the PCB type and length of your M.2 SSD, find the corresponding nut location to be used.



Before installing a M.2 SSD, please loosen the screws to remove the M.2 heatsink.

*Please remove the protective films on the bottom side of the M.2 heatsink before you install a M.2 SSD.

Step 4

Align and gently insert the M.2 SSD into the M.2 slot. Please be aware that the M.2 SSD only fits in one orientation.





Ensure that the notch at the end of the M.2 SSD aligns with the nut. Then secure the M.2 SSD by turning the nut lock clockwise to its locked position.



Step 6

Tighten the screws with a screwdriver to secure the M.2 SSD and M.2 heatsink into place in the order shown. Tighten screw opposite the M.2 connector first (2), and then tighten the one next to the M.2 connector (3).

*Please do not overtighten the screw as this might damage the M.2 SSD and M.2 heatsink.

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