

Hardware Administration

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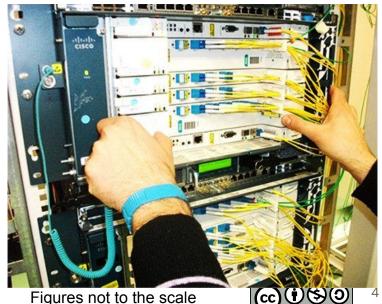
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Precautions

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- To prevent damage to our parts :
 - Never insert anti-static strap in live or neutral pin of 3 pin sockets.
 - Switch off power supply to equipment & unplug power cables.
 - Wear ear muff while working in datacenter.
- To prevent damage to server parts :
 - Wear anti-static gloves if available.
 - Always wear an anti-static strap with proper grounding.
 - Best is to hook the strap crocodile pin to rack.





Datacenter Hardware



Rack Server

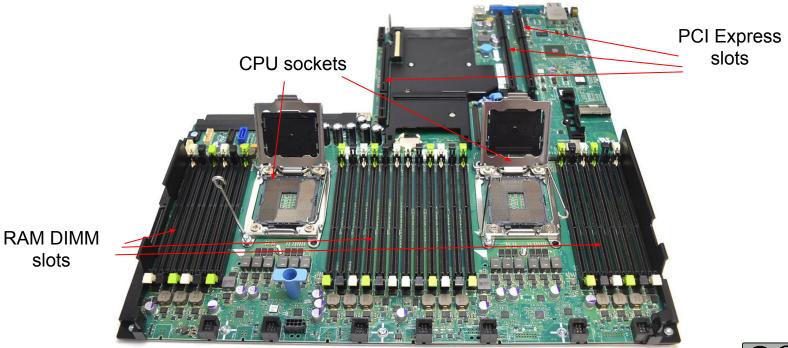
- A powerful data center computer made for 24x7 operation.
- Available in units of standard 1U, 2U, 4U. (1U = 1.75 inches).
- Each rack contains 19" width x 42 U height.





Mainboard

Printed circuit board to which all other parts are connected.



Figures not to the scale

Central Processing Unit (CPU)

Where programs run. Not be confused with "Primary-school CPU".





Passive heat sink





Random Access Memory (RAM)

 Used for high speed volatile storage made with transistors, capacitors



RAM Dual-In-Memory-Module (DIMMs)



Graphics Processing Unit (GPU)

- Few servers come with on-board graphics processing unit.
- Used for rich graphics/gaming and compute acceleration.
- Inserted into PCI express slot.
- Takes power supply from PCI slot.
- Advanced GPU require additional power supply from PSU.



GPU

Network Interface Card (NIC)

- Used for connectivity with network.
- Inserted into PCI express slot.
- Takes power supply from PCI slot.
- Few servers come with on-board network controller/ports.



NIC

Power Supply Unit (PSU)

 Takes AC (100-250v) and converts to DC (3, 5, 12 v) power supply for the main board, fans, HDDs and other parts.



PSU

Fan

- Helps in air circulation
- Rotations per minute is controlled by CPU



Fan

Hard Disk Drive (HDD)

Used for persistent storage using rotating magnetic media.



Small Form Factor (SFF) Drive

Large Form Factor (LFF) Drive

Solid State Drive (SSD)

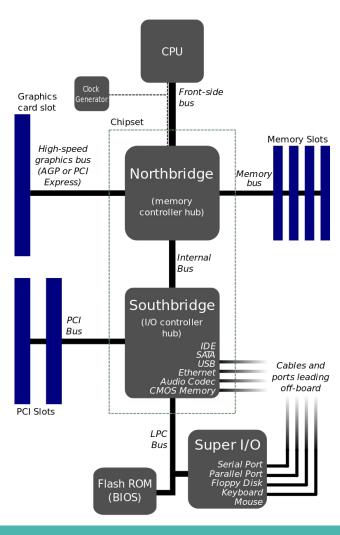
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Small Form Factor (SFF) Drive - 2.5"

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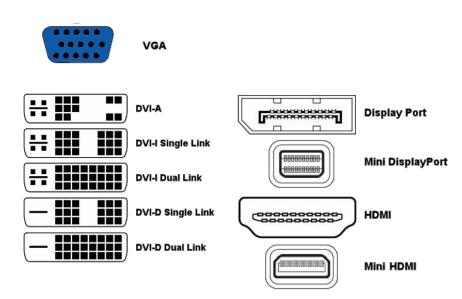
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Connectors

Video Connectors

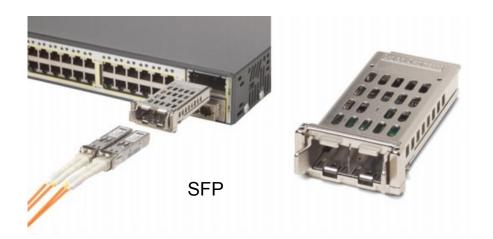
- Video Graphics Adapter (VGA)
 - Analog
 - Max resolution : 1,920x1,200
- Digital Video Interface (DVI)
 - Digital & Analog
 - Max resolution : 1,920x1,200
- Display Port (DP)
 - Digital
 - Max resolution: 3840x2160
- High Density Media Interface (HDMI)
 - Digital
 - Max resolution : 3840x2160
 - Also contains audio.



Network Connectors

- Registered Jack 45 (RJ45)
 - Max: 1Gbps
- Small Form-factor Pluggable (SFP)
 - Max : 100 Gbps
 - Also available in 10, 40Gbps.

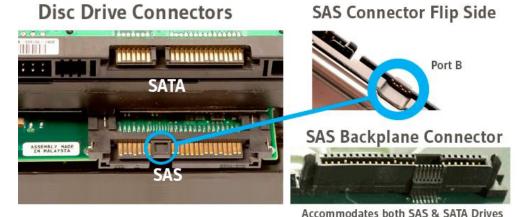




Storage Connectors

SATA

- Serial Attached SCSI (SAS)
 - Dual ported
 - Each port max: 12Gbps
 - Also available in 3, 6Gbps
- Serial Advanced Technology Attachment (SATA)
 - Single ported
 - Max : 6 Gbps
 - Also available in 1.5, 3 Gbps.



SAS

USB Connectors

- Universal Serial Bus (USB)
 - Max: 10Gbps (3.1)
 - Also available in 480Mbps (2.0), 5Gbps (3.0)



References

References

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