4-Bay 2.5in SATA/SAS Hard Drive Backplane

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Product Diagram

Front View

1. 4x 2.5” Drive bays/trays
2. 4x 2.5” Drive bay key hole
3. 4x Drive Tray Release Latches

Rear View

1. 2x Drive power connector ports (LP4)
2. 4x SATA data connector ports
3. 2x Drive cooling fans
Introduction

Packaging Contents

- 1x 4-Bay 2.5in SATA/SAS Hard Drive Backplane
- 2x Drive bay keys
- 4x 2.5” HDD/SSD Drive Trays
- 4x SATA cables
- 2x SATA to Molex Power Adapters
- 16x Drive Mounting Screw Kit
- 8x Backplane Mounting Screw Kit
- 1x Instruction Manual

System Requirements

- 1x - Computer System
  with:
    - 4x SATA/SAS host connector ports
    - Available 5.25” bay
    - 2x - Available SATA or LP4 Power Connections
    - Up to 4x - 2.5in SATA/SAS Hard Drive(s)
WARNING! Hard drives and storage docks require careful handling, especially when being transported. If you are not careful with your hard disk, lost data may result. Always handle your hard drive and storage device with caution. Be sure that you are properly grounded by wearing an anti-static strap when handling computer components or discharge yourself of any static electricity build-up by touching a large grounded metal surface (such as the computer case) for several seconds.

Installation

Hardware Installation

1. Ensure your computer system is powered down, and the power cable has been disconnected from the Power Supply.

2. Open your computer case (refer to the computer user manual for details), and place the 2.5in SATA/SAS HDD Backplane into an available 5.25” slot, lining up the side installation holes on the Backplane (pictured below), with installation holes on the 5.25” slot inside the computer.

3. Hold the Backplane into place, and fix the four included drive bay screws (black) through the installation holes on the 5.25” bay, into the side installation holes on the Backplane.

4. Connect the 4x included SATA cables from available SATA/SAS host ports on your motherboard to the SATA/SAS data connector ports on the back of the Backplane.

5. Connect 2x LP4 Molex or SATA Power (Using the two provided SATA to Molex adapters) connectors from your power supply to the Molex power connector ports on the back of the backplane.

Note: For optimal performance, ensure each power connector is on a different power rail. Failure to do so may result in power disruption while swapping drives.
Hard Drive Installation

1. Insert either of the included bay keys into the your desired 2.5in Drive bay key holes depending on which tray you intend to install the drive into. And Turn the key clockwise into the unlock position.

2. To remove the tray, squeeze the latch, pull the tray door handle open and slide the tray out of the enclosure.

3. Insert your desired drive into the drive tray with the bottom mounting drive holes in line with the mounting holes on the drive tray. Fix the drive to the drive tray using four of the included drive screws (silver).
4. Slide the drive tray with installed hard drive back into the slot and close the door.

5. (Optional) If you would like to lock the drive door for added security, use the key to turn the key counter clockwise into the locked position.
Hard Drive Removal

1. Insert either of the included bay keys into the “2.5in Drive bay key holes depending on which type of drive you intend to remove. And Turn the key clockwise into the unlock position.

2. Pull the drive door handle to open the drive bay and remove your drive.

Note: It is important to eject or unmount the hard drive from your computer system before physically removing the drive. See How to Use - Disconnecting the Hard Drive section for instructions.
How to Use

Connecting the Hard Drive
Once the drive has been installed in the drive bay, the drivers will install automatically, and the inserted drive will be accessible as though it were installed within the system.

**Note:** some operating systems may require that the system be scanned for hardware changes from within device manager, for the newly connected drive(s) to be recognized.

Prior to using the drive, it will need to be formatted according to your operating system requirements.
Refer to Initializing the Hard Drive.

Disconnecting the Hard Drive

**Windows**
The drive should be uninstalled from device manager, or unmounted using third party hot swap software.

**Note:** Removing the connected drive while it is active in the system could result in losing or corrupting data stored on the drive.

**Mac OS X**
To safely disconnect the attached drive from the host computer, close any windows listing the contents of the removable drive. Once all windows are closed, click on the icon for the drive on the desktop, and drag it to the Trash Can icon on the desktop. Allow 5 seconds before physically removing the enclosure/drive from the computer.

Initializing the Hard Drive

1. If the SATA Hard Drive is blank it may need to be initialized and formatted before use. From the main Windows desktop, right-click on “My Computer” (“Computer” in Vista/ 7 / 8), then select Manage. In the new Computer Management window, select Disk Management from the left window panel.
2. A dialog window should automatically appear, asking you to initialize the drive. Depending on the version of Windows, it will give you the option of either creating an “MBR” or “GPT” disk. GPT (GUID partition) is required for drives larger than 2TB but is not compatible with some older operating systems, while MBR is supported by newer and older operating systems.

3. Once initialized, locate the Disk that says it is “Unallocated” (check the listed hard drive capacity to confirm it’s the correct hard drive) and then right-click in the section that says “Unallocated” and select “New Partition”.

4. Several on screen prompts will follow walking you through the steps to create the partition. Follow these prompts to complete partition creation.
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