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Small footprint rugged Intel® Core™ 2 Duo

Industrial Computer



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1. Overview

The PowerBrick is a *Intel*® $Core^{\tau M}$ 2 Duo system with P8700 processor speed. This small, rugged and powerful computer is the premium choice when desktop computer performance is required in industrial computing applications. Small size does not necessarily mean limitations in computing power.

The state-of-the-art PowerBrick comes loaded with an impressive video card, fast hard drive (optionally flash drive) and memory, all at a competitive price. It is designed and built for great performance in a variety of applications and environments. The design focuses on elements essential for industrial use wile excluding unneccesary hardware. The architecture is modular which allows for easy upgrading and expansions.

Areas of applications include:

- Fire engines and rescue vehicles
- Security and patrol vehicles
- Other emergency or public safety vehicles
- Cash carriers
- Seaport terminal container yard management
- Fleet management

The main features are:

- Intel® Core™ 2 Duo processor (2.53 GHz)
- Standard 2.5" hard disk. 250GB
- 4 GB DDR3 RAM
- 4 x RS232 Port
- 4 x USB 2.0 Port
- 2 x On-board 10/100/1000 LAN Port
- Audio Jacks
- Built-in 8~30 VOLT DC
- Ignition controller
- Embedded OS (optional)
- Wireless 802.11g/n
- GSM/GPRS/WiFi/CDMA/CDPD options
- GPS/AVL options
- Dimensions: 7.6" x 5" x 4.13" (W x L x H)

For installation, mounting and cable connections please see Section 2. Technical information is available in Section 3.

2. Installation

2.1 Contents of the Computer Box



Figure 2.1 Box major components

In the box you will find the following items: PowerBrick computer, power plug, mounting plate equipped with rubber suspension, 4 bolts

If you have purchased Windows or Linux operating system with your computer, these CD's should be included. Keep them in a safe place.

Please see your separate monitor packaging for installation and other information for the touch screen monitor.

Do not turn power on until you have read the next section and all cables are connected.

2.2 Connecting Cables and Getting Started

In order to get familiar with your system before mounting it at your vehicle (or final location), we suggest you look at the connections on both ends of the computer such as shown in Figs. 2.2 and 2.4, connect up the unit, and place it into operation.

Also, PowerBrick offers a hard disk changeable feature. It shows in Figs 2.3.

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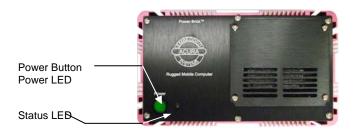


Figure 2.2: Front side of PowerBrick

Connect all applicable cables such as:

- Keyboard
- Mouse
- Monitor
- Power supply cable

Optional device cables or units that you provide yourself could include the following:

- USB cable
- Speaker and microphone cables
- RJ45 Ethernet TP cable
- RS232 Serial port cable



Removable hard drive

Hard drive cover and screws

Figure 2.3: Changeable Hard Disk of PowerBrick

Remove six screws (Four black color,two metal color) and open Hard Disk cover in the front side plate. Then pull out hard disk to change.

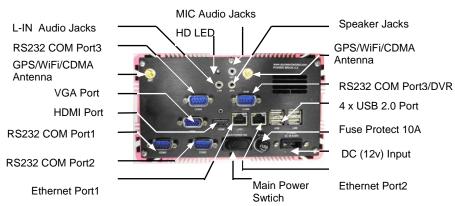


Figure 2.4 : Back side of PowerBrick

After connecting all applicable cables it is safe to power-on the system. (Warning: use only DC from the dedicated power supply)

2.3 Mounting in your vehicle or final location

This chapter provides you with the information of fixed system mounting. Prior to that, please prepare the installation tools and appropriate items. If you are not clear about the items, contact your dealer for information.

2.4 Mounting tools

For mounting your computer in a vehicle you need the following tools:

- Ranch
- Screw driver
- Drill
- Bolts and nuts appropriate to mount the plate in your vehicle

2.5 Computer installation

Mounting screws or bolts and nuts for mounting to your specific vehicle are not provided, as there are many variations of thickness that the unit might be mounted to. If mounting in a vehicle that is subject to vibration and shock, It is important to use the mounting plate with attached shock absorbers where vibration could occur. The mounting plate should be fastened tightly with bolts and nuts. Please ensure that if you mount any bolts/nuts under the computer, that they do not touch the computer itself. Otherwise, the shock absorbers will not protect the computer properly.

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Figure 2.5: Rubber-Mounting plate

Connect all final wiring in a neat way, fastening it down with tie straps or other means to ensure that it does not get caught and broken accidentally. Your car electrician will know appropriate ways to do this.

3. Technical Information

3.1 BIOS Setup

The single board computer uses the AMI BIOS (Basic Input/Output System) for the system configuration. The AMI BIOS in the single board computer is a customized version of the industrial standard BIOS for IBM PC AT-compatible computers. It supports Intel x86 and compatible CPU architecture based processors and computers. The BIOS provides critical low-level support for the system central processing, memory and I/O sub-systems. The BIOS setup program of the single board computer let the customers modify the basic configuration setting. The settings are stored in a dedicated battery-backed memory, NVRAM, retains the information when the power is turned off. If the battery runs out of the power, then the settings of BIOS will come back to the default setting. The BIOS section of the manual is subject to change without notice and is provided here for reference purpose only. The settings and configurations of the BIOS are current at the time of print, and therefore they may not be exactly the same as that displayed on your screen. To activate CMOS Setup program, press key immediately after you turn on the system. The following message "Press DEL to enter SETUP" should appear in the lower left hand corner of your screen. When you enter the CMOS Setup Utility, the Main Menu will be displayed as in Table 3.2. You can use arrow keys to select your function, press <Enter> key to accept selection and enter the sub-menu.

BIOS SETUP UTILITY Advanced PCIPNP Boot Security Chipset Exit Use [ENTER], [TAB] or System Overview [SHIFT-TAB] to select a AMIBIOS field. Build Date :01/05/09 Use [+] or [-] to :B124MR06 configure system time. 575 @ 2.00GHz Genuine Intel® CPU Select Screen System Memory Select Item Size :2103MB Enter Go to SubScreen F1 General Help [14:20:27] F10 Save and Exit System Time [Tue 05/06/2008] ESC Exit v02.61 @Copyright 1985-2006, American Megatrends, Inc.

Table 3.1: AMI BIOS CMOS Setup Utility

3.2 Operating Systems

The PowerBrick will generally be provided with a preinstalled operating system such as Windows XP / 7 Professional Embedded or Linux. To restore the operating system, follow the procedure outlined in 3.4. You can also use an external CD-ROM drive to change, reinstall or repair the operating system through a USB 2.0 port.

3.3. Operating System Restore Process

Before do restore process, back up your data first.

3.3.1. For Windows XP

- 1. Restart the computer.
- Hold down the F8 key to enter Windows Advanced Boot Menu options.
- 3. Select "Return to OS Choices" and press "Enter".
- Select "Quick Restore Option", press "Enter" and follow the instructions.

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3.3.2. For Windows 7

- 1. Restart the computer.
- Wait for three seconds while monitor screen is shown "Please wait ...,"
- Hold down the F3 key to boot Windows 7 Recovery Tool Menu options.
- 4. Select "1. Factory Restore" and press "1" .Then "Enter".
- 5. After Screen is shown "Recovery complete! Press any key to continue ... ", press any key to boot again.

3.4 Windows XP or Windows 7 Embedded

If you want to reinstall Windows XP or Windows 7 Embedded, boot the computer, place the CD-ROM labeled "Windows XP Embedded Recovery" or "Windows 7 Embedded Recovery" into the external CD-ROM drive, presses RESET and follow the instructions on the screen. We recommend that this be done by experienced computer users only.

3.5 Linux Embedded

If you want to install Linux, boot the computer, place the CD-ROM labeled "Acura Embedded Linux" into the external CD-ROM drive, press RESET and follow the instructions on the screen. Note: this should only be done by an advanced user who has experience with Linux.

3.6 Application Software

You should be able to run all normal/generic application software such as Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Adobe software etc. if you have Windows installed. See the relevant manual/help guides for the specific software. For Linux you will have to specifically select software designed for Linux. Acura is not responsible for failure of any software on your computer but if you have any particular software needs, please call Acura Technical Support or email support@acuraembedded.com.

3.7. Specifications for Power Brick

Table 3.2: Input/Output

15 Pin VGA	1
HDMI	1
RS232 Serial Port / DVR	4
USB 2.0	4
RJ45 Gigabit Ethernet Port	2
FUSE(10A)	1
Audio Jacks	1
GPS/WiFi/CDMA antenna	2
8 ~ 30V DC Power Jack with Ignition	1
Status, Power Signal LED	2
Hard Drive Signal LED	1

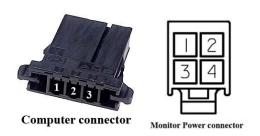
Table 3.3: System Features

Processor	Intel® Core™ 2 Duo P8700 processor (2.53 GHz)
System FSB	1066 MHz
Memory	1066MHz DDR3 SO-DIMM up to 4GB
Video	support VGA,HDTV, and HDMI interface
Audio	Audio Jacks
Hard Disk	Standard 2.5" SATA hard disk, 320GB
CD-ROM	None
LAN	Dual Realtek RTL8111CP PCIe GbE controllers
USB 2.0	Integrated 4 independent OHCI controller supporting USB 1.1 ports; Integrated 1 EHCI controller supporting USB 2.0 ports; Dynamic connection support to USB 2.0 or USB 1.1 devices
Hardware Monitor	System temperature, voltage and fan speed monitor. Auto Thermal fan speed control
Power Management	ACPI 1.0b compliance and OS direct power management, Wake-on event: RTC/USB Keyboard/Modem/LAN/Keyboard/Mouse
Dimensions	7.60"X 5" x4.13" (W x L x H)
Power	8 ~ 30V DC

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3.9A Power Brick Wiring Diagram

IGNITION CONTROL (OPTIONAL) When Main Power Switch (on the back plate) is on (pilot LED is SWICH BATT No.2 To Computer SWICH Fuse No. 1 1. Status LED lit "Green "indicates that Ignition is on. 10A No. 1 Fuse To Monitor supply is normal. No.2 10A



(Computer connector: pin1-brown, pin2-green/yellow, pin3-blue, for sure power make pin1 and pin3 togather)

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3.8 Diagnosis and maintenance

- "Red"), status LED (on the front plate) is shown two colors as following.
- 2. Status LED lit "Blue "indicates that Ignition is off and power
- Power Button LED lit "Red" indicates computer mother broad running normally.
- Back plate HD-LED lit flash "Red "indicates hand drive proper operation and health.
- Power supply fuse must be protected by a 10A auto fuse on the input line from the vehicle battery.

3.9 Warning

Before power up the computer, make sure all cables connected to the computer and the monitor.

WARNING

First hookup all cables then turn on computer powerSwitch. Make sure monitor power led on or blinking.