



# **Maximus III Formula**

Be immersed. Be Involved. Be in the Game!!

- Supports the Intel® Core™ i7 and Intel® Core™ i5 Processors in the LGA1156 Package
- Intel® P55 chipset
- Dual-channel, DDR3 2133(O.C.) Support
- ROG Connect
- GameFirst
- MemOK! and MemPerfect



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# **CPU** Features

### Supports Intel® Processors in the LGA1156 Package

This motherboard supports the latest Intel® Lynnfield processors in LGA1156 package, which as memory and PCI Express controller integrated to support 2-channel (4 DIMMs) DDR3 memory and 16 PCI Express 2.0 lanes, providing great graphics performance. Intel® Lynnfield processor is one of the most powerful and energy efficient CPU in the world.



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# **Chipset Features**

# Intel® P55 Chipset

The Intel® P55 Express Chipset is the latest one-chipset design to support the latest 1156 socket Intel® Lynnfield processors. Intel P55 provides improved performance by utilizing serial point-to-point links, allowing increased bandwidth and stability.



# **PCIe 2.0**

### **Double Speed; Double Bandwidth**

This motherboard supports the latest PCle 2.0 devices for double speed and bandwidth which enhances system performance.

# Multi-GPU Technology

# SLI/CrossFireX On-Demand

Why choose when you can have both? SLI or CrossFireX? Fret no longer because with the ROG Maximus III Formula, you'll be able to run both multi-GPU setups. The board features SLI/CrossFireX on Demand



# Memory Feature

# Dual-Channel, DDR3 2133(O.C.) MHz

The motherboard supports DDR3 memory that features data transfer rates of 2133(O.C.)/2000(O.C.)/1800(O.C.) /1600/1333/1066 MHz to meet the higher bandwidth requirements of the latest operation system, 3D graphics, multimedia, and Internet applications. The dual-channel DDR3 architecture double the bandwidth of your system memory to



# **ROG Exclusive Features**

# **ROG Connect**

# Plug and Overclock - Tweak it the hardcore way!

Monitor the status of your desktop PC and tweak its parameters in real-time via a notebook-just like a race car engineer-with ROG Connect. ROG Connect links your main system to a

notebook through a USB cable, allowing you to view real-time POST code and hardware status readouts on your notebook, as well as make on-the-fly parameter adjustments at a purely hardware level.

### **MemPerfect**

#### Optimize your memory without lifting a finger!

Why risk crippling your system with poorly tuned memory? Now, with ROG's exclusive MemPerfect optimizing your memory performance is a simple matter of selecting the frequency you

desire, and letting MemPerfect do the rest! MemPerfect guickly checks your memory settings for errors and automatically fixes them-ensuring system stability and maximum efficiency.

# iROG

#### Intelligent multiple control at hand

The iROG is a special IC which enables several ROG highlitghted functions that gives users full disposal of the motherboard at any stage! This design allows advanced user control and management to be processed purely at a hardware

level. iROG greatly increases fun during overclocking for PC enthusiasts and it offers system maintainence and management with more control and efficiency.

## MemOK!

#### Any memory is A-OK!

Memory compatibility is among the top concerns when it comes to computer upgrades. Worry no more, MemOK! is the fastest memory booting solution today. This remarkable memory rescue tool requires nothing but a push of a button to patch memory

issues and get your system up and running in no time. The technology is able to determine failsafe settings that can dramatically improve system booting success.

#### Probelt

# Get all hands-on with hardware-based overclocking Probelt takes the guesswork out of locating the motherboard's measurement points, identifying them clearly in the form of 5 sets of detection points so you'll know exactly where to get quick yet accurate readings using a multitester.

# **COP EX**

# Maximum OC with confidence with burn proof protection to chipsets and GPU!

The COP EX allows overclockers to increase chipset voltages without the worries of overheating. It can also be used to monitor and save an overheating GPU. The COP EX allows more freedom and less constraint for maximum performance achievement.

#### GameFirst

#### The speed you need to pwn

Low Internet latency allows you to frag more, and get fragged less. That's why ROG has introduced GameFirst, a feature that manages the flow of traffic according to your needs so that you can still listen to online music, download and upload files, and

engage in Internet chats without sacrificing the low ping times you need to pwn your opponents.

# **Speeding HDD**

#### Wait less. Play more!

Double your hard disk drive performance easily and affordably with Speeding HDD, a remarkable ROG feature that utilizes a dual channel design to enhance HDD transfer rates. Wait less. play more!



# **CPU Level Up**

#### A Simple click for instant upgrade

Ever wish that you could have a more expansive CPU? Upgrade your CPU at no additional cost with ROG's CPU Level Up! Simply pick the processor you wanted to OC to, and the motherboard will do the rest!

See the new CPU speed and enjoy that performance instantly.



# Overclocking is never as easy as this.

### **Extreme Tweaker**

#### One stop performance tuning shop

Extreme Tweakers is the one stop shop to fine-tune your system to optimal performance. No matter if you're looking for frequency adjustment, over-voltage options, or memory timing settings, they're all here!



# Friendly reminder on Voltage Settings

In the pursuit of extreme performance, overvoltage adjustment is critical but risky. Acting as the "red zone" of a tachometer, the Voltiminder LED displays the voltage status for CPU, PCH, and Memory in a intuitive color-coded fashion. The voltiminder LED allows quick voltage monitoring for overclockers.

# **Loadline Calibration**

Optimal power boost for extreme CPU overclocking! Maintaining ample voltage support for the CPU is critical during overclocking. The Loadline Calibration ensures stable and optimal CPU voltage under heavy loading. It helps overclockers enjoy the motherboard's ultimate OC capabilities and benchmark scores.











# Sound with Clarity

## SupremeFX X-Fi

Listen with Absolute HD Play in extreme fidelity ISupremeFX X-Fi delivers an excellent high definition audio experience to the





gamers of ROG. The SupremeFX X-Fi features unique audio innovations for gamers to spot enemies in 3D environment during game play. SupremeFX X-Fi also provides gamers a special tool to emphasize human voices in games to help make dialogues clearer and more audible.

# **Noise Filter**

#### Eliminate background noise while recording

This feature detects repetitive and stationary noises like computer fans, air conditioners, and other background noises then eliminates it in the incoming audio stream while recording.



# **ROG EZ DIY Features**

# **Onboard Switch**

#### No more shorting pins or moving jumpers

With an easy press during overclock, this exclusive onboard switch allows gamer to effortlessly fine-tune the performance without having to short the pins or moving jumpers!



#### Make connections quick and accurate

The Q-Connector allows you to connect or disconnect chassis front panel cables in one easy step with one complete module. This unique adapter eliminates the trouble of plugging in one cable at a time, making connection quick and accurate.



# **Q-Fan Plus**

# **Optimized quietness and cooling for more devices!** The Q-Fan function automatically detects temperature and adjusts fan speed accordingly to achieve quiet and efficient cooling.



# ASUS EPU Engine

### System Level Energy Saving

The new ASUS EPU - the world's first power saving engine, has been upgraded to a new 6 engine version, which provides total system power savings by detecting current PC loadings and intelligently moderating power in real-time. With auto phase



switching for components (which includes the CPU, VGA card, memory, chipset, hard drives and CPU cooler/system fans), the EPU automatically provides the most appropriate power usage via intelligent acceleration and overclocking - helping save power and money.

# **Rich Software Bundled**

#### Kaspersky® Anti-Virus

#### The best protection from viruses and spyware

Kaspersky® Anti-Virus Personal offers premium antivirus protection for individual users and home offices. It is based on advanced antivirus technologies. The product incorporates the Kaspersky® Anti-Virus engine, which is renowned for malicious program detection rates that are among the industry's highest.



# Specifications

CPU	Intel® Socket 1156 Core™ i7 Processor/Core™ i5 Processor/ Supports Intel® Turbo Boost Technology * Refer to www.asus.com for Intel CPU support list
Chipset	Intel® P55 Express Chipset
	4 x DIMM, Max. 16 GB, DDR3 2133(O.C.)/2000(O.C.)/1800(O.C.)/1600/1333/1066 Non-ECC,Un-buffered Memory
	Dual Channel memory architecture
Memory	* Hyper DIMM support is subject to the physical characteristics of individual CPUs.
	* Supports Intel® Extreme Memory Profile (XMP)
	* Please refer to www.asus.com or user manual for the Memory QVL(Qualified Vendors List).
	2 x PCle 2.0 x16 (red) support single at x16 or dual at x8 mode
Expansion Slots	1 x PCle x16 (white) supports at x4 mode
	2 x PCle x1
	2 x PCI 2.2
Multi-GPU Support	Supports NVIDIA® SLI™ Technology / ATI® CrossFireX™ Technology

Storage	Intel® P55 Express Chipset built-in 6 xSATA 3.0 Gb/s ports Intel Matrix Storage Technology Support RAID 0,1,5,10 JMicron® 322 controller and 2 x JMicron® 363 controllers: - 2 x SATA 3.0 Gb/s port (Red) supporting Hardware RAID 0 and 1 (SPD_HDD1 + SPD_HDD2) - 1 x External SATA 3.0 Gb/s port (SATA On-the-Go) - 2 x SATA 3.0 Gb/s port (White) - SATA_ODD1 + SATA_ODD2
LAN	Realtek® RTL8110SC Gigabit LAN controller GameFirst
Audio	SupremeFX X-Fi discrete Audio Card 8-Channel High Definition Audio CODEC EAX® Advanced <sup>™</sup> HD 4.0 X-Fi CMSS®-3D X-Fi Crystalizer <sup>™</sup> Creative ALchemy Supports 1 x S/PDIF out header Supports Coaxial/Optical S/PDIF out ports on rear Blu-ray support
IEEE 1394	2 x 1394a ports (1 port at back I/O, 1 port onboard)
USB	14 USB 2.0/1.1 ports (5 ports at mid-board, 9 ports at back panel)
Overclocking Features	Extreme Engine Power Design - 16-phase CPU power - 3-phase VTT power - 3-phase Memory power ROG Connect CPU Level Up Memory Level Up Speeding HDD iROG Extreme Tweaker Loadline Calibration Intelligent overclocking tools: - ASUS AI Booster Utility - O.C. Profile Overclocking Protection: - COP EX (Component Overheat Protection - EX) - Voltiminder LED - ASUS C.P.R.(CPU Parameter Recall)
Special Features	MemOK! MemPerfect Probelt Onboard Switches: Power / Reset / Clr CMOS (at rear) Q-Fan Plus ASUS EPU ASUS MyLogo3 ASUS Fan Xpert ASUS Fan Xpert ASUS EZ Flash 2 ASUS CrashFree BIOS 3 ASUS Q-Connector ASUS Q-LED (CPU, DRAM, VGA, Boot Device LED) ASUS Q-Slot ASUS Q-DIMM
Back Panel I/O Ports	1 x External SATA 1 x IEEE 1394a 1 x LAN(RJ45) port 1 x CIr CMOS switch 1 x ROG Connect On/Off switch 1 x PS/2 Keyboard port (purple) 9 x USB 2.0/1.1 (1 port for ROG Connect)
Internal I/O Connectors	3 x USB connectors support additional 5 USB 2.0 ports (1 port reserved for ROG Connect @ rear) 1 x IEEE 1394a connector 10 x SATA connectors: 2 x Speeding HDD SATA connectors (Red) / 2 x SATA_ODD (White) / 6 x standard SATA connectors (Gray) 8 x Fan connectors: 1 x CPU / 1 x PWR / 3 x Chassis / 3 x Optional 3 x thermal sensor connectors

	1 x 24-pin ATX Power connector
	1 x 8-pin ATX 12V Power connector
	1 x En/Dis-able CIr CMOS header
	5 x Probelt measurement points
	1 x ROG light connector
	1 x Go Button
	System panel connector
BIOS	16 Mb Flash ROM , AMI BIOS, PnP, DMI2.0, WfM2.0, SM BIOS 2.5, ACPI2.0a Multi-Language BIOS
Manageability	WOL by PME,WOR by PME,PXE
Accessories	User's manual
	1 x I/O Shield
	1 x ROG Connect Cable
	1 x SLI Cable
	1 x SupremeFX X-Fi Audio Card
	1 x 2-in-1 ASUS Q-Connector Kit
	3 x 2-in-1 SATA signal cables
	1 x 2-port USB2.0 + ESATA module
	1 x Cable Ties
	1 x ROG theme label
	1 x 12-in-1 ROG Cable Label
Support Disc	ASUS PC Probe II
	ASUS AI Suite
	ASUS Update
	Kaspersky® Anti-Virus
	Support DVD:
	- Drivers and applications
	Sound Blaster X-Fi Utility
	ASUS TurboV EVO utility
Form Factor	ATX Form Factor
	12 inch x 9.6 inch ( 30.5 cm x 24.4 cm )