

# BullSequana EX & AI

# **Getting Started Guide**

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# Preface

This guide explains how to set up the server.

See The Bull support web site for the most up-to-date product information, documentation, firmware updates, software fixes and service offers: https://support.bull.com						
Important	ATTENTION: Please read carefully the safety instructions before you perform the procedures described in this manual. <i>Multilingual Safety Notices Guide</i>					

# **Intended Readers**

This guide is intended for use by system administrators and operators.

# Chapter 1. Connecting a BullSequana EX & Al server

Important The steps in this chapter must be followed in the order indicated.

See The Installation Guide and the documentation set for more information.

### **1.1.** Connecting the server to the power supply

#### 1. Connect the server to the power supply

Important The site power breaker must be OFF when the server is connected to the power supply. The site power supply must remain OFF until the system is ready to be powered on.

1. Locate the power supply connection.

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# Rear view



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2. Connect the server to the Power Distribution Unit (PDU).

Plug the power cable into power socket and the required PDU.

**Note** If the server is installed in a rack cabinet, route the power cable along the cabinet flange to the PDU.

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#### 2. Power on the server to standby

- 1. Turn the site power breakers ON.
- 2. Check that the power status LED blinks green to indicate that the server is connected to the power supply.

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### 1.2. Accessing the Server Hardware Console (SHC)

The Server Hardware Console (SHC) for BullSequana EX & AI servers provides a web based interface to manage, configure and monitor the server.

The SHC is powered by OpenBMC, an open source implementation of the Baseboard Management Controller (BMC) firmware stack

**See** The SHC Reference Guide and the documentation set for more information.

The first connection to the SHC can be made using either an IP address allocated by DHCP or an auto-discovery tool.

#### 1.2.1. Obtaining an address via a DHCP server

#### Prerequisites

- A DHCP server is installed on the network subnet
- The laptop used to access the BullSequana EX & Al server is on the same network subnet

#### Procedure

#### 1. Connect the server to the LAN

Connect the server BMC port (A) to the LAN via a RJ45 Ethernet cable.

Important If a switch is used the ports must support a bandwidth of 1 Gb/s.

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#### 2. Check the LAN connection

Check the LEDs are on for the BMC port.

#### 3. Obtain the MAC address for the server

- 1. Remove the top cover and if necessary the air duct.
- 2. Locate one of the labels displaying the server MAC address:
  - On the rear of a BullSequana EXD & Al100D server or the front of a BullSequana EXR & Al100R server
  - On the motherboard, next to the memory modules
- 3. Note the server MAC address.

#### 4. Obtain an IP address for the server

There are two possibilities according to the network system management:

- Retrieve an IP address from the DHCP server table
- Ask the network system administrator to allocate a DHCP IP address using the MAC address of the server
- 5. Note the IP address obtained

#### 1.2.2. Obtaining an IP address with an auto-discovery tool

#### Prerequisite

A laptop is connected to the server via the LAN

#### Procedure

**Note** In this procedure the Bonjour browser is used as an example of an IP autodiscovery tool.

#### 1. Connect the server to the LAN

Connect the server BMC port (A) to the LAN via a RJ45 Ethernet cable.

Important If a switch is used the ports must support a bandwidth of 1 Gb/s.

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#### 2. Check the LAN connection

Check the LEDs are on for the BMC port.

#### 3. Install Bonjour on the laptop

- 1. Download the latest **BonjourBrowserSetup.exe** file.
- 2. Run BonjourBrowserSetup.exe to install Bonjour.

#### 4. Launch the Bonjour browser on the laptop

#### 5. Refresh the Bonjour browser

1. Click the Refresh button at the top on the right of the browser window.

bullsequanaedge-bmc-XXXXXX Available Bonjour services:				
Туре	Name			
Type _obmc_consoletcp. _sftp-sshtcp.	Name obmc_console bullsequanaedge-bmc-XXXXXX			

2. The available services are displayed.

#### 6. Note the server IP address

- 1. Select the **\_ssh.\_tcp** Bonjour service for the server BMC.
- 2. The Bonjour server IP address is displayed in the **IP addresses** field.

8 Bonjour brows	er	<u>.</u>	
Available Bonjou	r services:		
Туре		Name	
_obmc_console _sftp-sshtcp. _sshtcp.	tcp.	obmc_console bullsequanaedge-bmc-XXXXXX bullsequanaedge-bmc-XXXXXX	
Service information 0 TXT Records: Key	on: Value		
IP Addresses			
169.254.xxx	××		
Bonjour Browser v	1.13 © 20	11-2015 Hobbyist Software, Handydev	
<u>Website</u>			Check for updates

3. Note the IP address indicated.

### 1.2.3. Connecting to the SHC for the first time

#### Prerequisites

- An IP address is available for the server
- Chrome or Firefox web browsers are recommended
- Setting the language of the web browser to English is recommended

#### Procedure

Note	The connection to the SHC must be made using the https protocol.

- 1. Open a web browser on the laptop.
- 2. Enter the server IP address into the address bar, using the https secure protocol.
- 3. Ignore all security messages displayed, including advanced messages. The SHC authentication page opens.



4. Complete the Username and Password fields and click **Log in**. The **Overview** page opens.

	SHC default user account				
Username	admin				
Password	<b>0penBmc*</b> The 0 in the default password is the number zero.				

**See** SHC Reference Guide for more information.

### **1.3.** Connecting the server to a monitor (optional)

Connect a monitor to the VGA port (A).

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# Chapter 2. Configuring general parameters

**Note** The parameters listed In this chapter are configured via the Server Hardware Console (SHC). A connection to the SHC must be in place, as previously described.

When a BullSequana EX & AI is configured for the first time, it is advisable to note the following details:

Data required	Value
Hostname	
User name	
Password	
DNS server IP address(es)	
Gateway IP address	
NTP server IP address(es)	
Power restore policy	
Rsyslog IP address	
Rsyslog port	

### 2.1. Setting the date and time

1. From the **Configuration** tab, click **Date and time settings**. The **Date and time settings** page opens.

ne settings	
24-hour time 08:11:25 UTC	
HH:MM	
08:11	
Server 2	Server 3
	nd time are displayed (either UTC or shout the application, visit Profile 24-hour time 08:11:25 UTC 24-hour time (UTC) HH:MM

- 2. Select the date and time configuration:
  - Manual
  - Network Time Protocol (NTP) servers

**Note** It is recommended to configure an NTP server. Time and date settings configured manually will be lost when the BMC is reset.

3. Click Save settings.

4. Click Profile Settings at the top of the page. The Profile settings page opens.

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# Profile settings

### Profile information

Username admin Privilege Administrator

# Change password

New password



Timezone display preference

Select how time is displayed throughout the application

Timezone



Save settings

- 5. Select the timezone display:
  - Default
  - Browser offset
- 6. Click Save settings.

# 2.2. Configuring network settings

Note The server hostname may be modified in the screen below. 1. From the Configuration tab, click Network settings. The Network settings page opens. Network settings Configure BMC network settings 1 Changing BMC network settings may result in a loss of the remote connection to the BMC. Please ensure that all the values are correct before applying changes so that you can reconnect remotely to the BMC. **Global settings** Hostname 🖉 Use domain name Use DNS servers Use NTP servers Disabled Disabled Disabled spark eth0 Interface settings FQDN MAC address 08:00:38:bd:68:9e spark IPv4 DHCP Enabled IPv4 addresses + Add static IPv4 address IP address Gateway Subnet mask Address origin XX.XX.XX.XX 0.0.0.0 255.255.0.0 IPv4LinkLocal Ū XX.XX.XX.XX 0.0.0.0 255.255.255.0 DHCP Static DNS Add IP address IP address No items available

Global settings					
Hostname	The server hostname: it must be a combination of upper case letters (A to Z), lower case letters (a to z) and numbers (0 to 9). The only authorized special character is the hyphen (-)				
Use domain name enables or not domain name usage					
Use DNS servers	enables or not DNS server usage				
Use NTP servers	enables or not NTP server usage				
	Interface settings				
FQDN	Fully Qualified Domain Name used by the DNS server				
Mac address	The server MAC address				
IPv4					
DHCP When enabled, the server IP address is retriev from a DHCP server					
IP address	Server IP address				
Gateway	Gateway IP address				
Subnet mask	Sub-net mask to be used				
Address origin	DHCP or Static or IPv4LinkLocal				
Add Static IPv4 address	Click this button to add a static IP address				
Static DNS					
IP address	IP address DNS IP address				
Add IP address	Click this button to add a DNS IP address				
	VLAN				
VLANId	VLAN interface identifier				
Add VLAN Interface	Click this button to add a VLAN interface identifier				

2. Fill in Hostname.

- 3. Select IPV4 configuration: DHCP or Static.
- 4. Add a static IP address if required.
- 5. Add a DNS server if required.
- 6. Add a VLAN interface if required.
- 7. Click Save settings.

### 2.3. Changing the initial user password

Important It is strongly recommended to change the initial password once the setup is completed, taking care to record the new account details for subsequent connections.

1. From the user profile button, click Profile settings.



- 2. Enter and confirm the new password.
  - The password must be between 8 and 20 characters long
  - The password must be a mixture of upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers and special characters
  - The password must be different from the user name
- 3. Click Save settings.

**Note** According to the localisation the timezone can also be changed, for example in France UTC+2 would be used.

### 2.4. Testing parameters

Stop and restart the Server Hardware Console (SHC) to verify that the new parameters have taken effect.

#### Procedure

#### 1. Stop the SHC

From the user profile button, click **Log out** to stop the SHC.

EVIDEN	Product Serial Number XAN-ORH-12345	🤨 Health	O Power	C Refresh	⊗ admin •
				Pr	ofile settings
Cverview	Overview			Lo	g out

#### 2. Start the SHC

**Note** The connection to the SHC must be made using the https protocol.

- 1. Open a web browser on the laptop.
- 2. Enter the server IP address into the address bar, using the https secure protocol.
- 3. Ignore all security messages displayed, including advanced messages. The SHC authentication page opens.



# Chapter 3. Installing an operating system

The operating system is installed from one of the following:

- A bootable USB drive
- A Pre-boot eXecution Environment (PXE)
- A virtual media device

#### Prerequisites

- The server power status is Off
- Depending on the installation option:
  - A bootable USB drive with the OS to be installed is plugged into a USB port
  - A Pre-boot eXecution Environment (PXE) has been set up and is accessible
  - The location for the virtual media ISO file is known
  - For Windows Server 2022 installation, in some cases, it is necessary to load a driver to be able to access the storage devices

See Appendix A. Pre-installation steps for Windows Server 2022

# 3.1. Installing an OS

#### Procedure

#### 1. Connect to the SHC

**Note** The connection to the SHC must be made using the https protocol.

- 1. Open a web browser on the laptop.
- 2. Enter the server IP address into the address bar, using the https secure protocol.
- 3. Ignore all security messages displayed, including advanced messages. The SHC authentication page opens.

	Product Serial Number : XAN-ORH-12345 Model : BullSequana Edge2
EVIDEN	Server Hardware Console Language English ¢
BullSequana Edge	Password
	Log in

#### 2. Create a virtual media session if this OS installation option is to be used

**Note** Only users with Administrator privilege have access to this feature.

1. From the Control tab, click Virtual media. The Virtual media page opens.

# Virtual media

# Virtual image redirection



- 2. Click Add file.
- 3. Select an ISO file for the boot.
- 4. Click Start.

#### 3. Power on the server

- 1. From the **Control** tab, click **Server power operations**. The **Server power operations** page opens.
- 2. In the **Operations** section, click **Power on**.

#### 4. Launch the remote system console

From the **Control** tab, click **KVM**. The **KVM** page opens.

#### 5. Access the BIOS interface

1. Wait a few minutes for the following screen to be displayed.



- 2. Press **[ESC**] to display the BIOS interface.
- 3. Select **Boot Manager** from the main menu using the navigation arrows and press **[Enter]**.



#### 6. Define the boot device

1. Select the boot device and press [Enter].



Boot device	Action
Bootable USB drive	Select the corresponding entry in the <b>USB</b> section
PXE server	Select the corresponding entry in the <b>Network</b> section
Virtual media ISO file	Select the corresponding entry in the <b>USB</b> section

- 2. Follow the instructions displayed to Install the OS.
- 3. Select the system settings required.

### 3.2. Booting the operating system (OS)

**Note** It is advisable to boot the OS using the BIOS interface for the first time in order to verify that the installation is correct. If OK, the operating system is booted in the normal way for subsequent boots.

#### Prerequisite

The server power status is Off.

#### Procedure

#### 1. Connect to the SHC

**Note** The connection to the SHC must be made using the https protocol.

- 1. Open a web browser on the laptop.
- 2. Enter the server IP address into the address bar, using the https secure protocol.
- 3. Ignore all security messages displayed, including advanced messages. The SHC authentication page opens.



#### 2. Power on the server

- 1. From the **Control** tab, click **Server power operations**. The **Server power operations** page opens.
- 2. In the **Operations** section, click **Power on**.
- 3. Launch the remote system console

From the **Control** tab, click **KVM**. The **KVM** page opens.

#### 4. Access the BIOS interface

1. Wait a few minutes for the following screen to be displayed.



- 2. Press **[ESC**] to display the BIOS interface.
- 3. Select **Boot Manager** from the main menu using the navigation arrows and press **[Enter]**.



#### 5. Select the boot option

1. Select the entry corresponding to the OS and press [Enter] to exit setup and complete the system boot.



2. Wait until the boot completes to verify that the operating system has installed correctly.

# Chapter 4. Power operations

A BullSequana EX & Al server can be powered on and off using:

- The power button at the front of the server
- The Server Hardware Console (SHC)

**See** The Description Guide for more information about the ports and LEDs and the SHC Reference Guide.

### 4.1. Powering on the server with the power button

- 1. Check that the power status LED (A) is blinking green to indicate that the server power status is Off.
- 2. Press the power button (B) for approximately two seconds.

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3. Check that the power button LED (A) is on and solid green to indicate that the server power status is Running.
# 4.2. Powering on from the SHC

1. From the **Control** tab, click **Server power operations**. The **Server power operations** page opens.

Operations

2. In the **Operations** section, click **Power on**.



#### Current status

Host status Not available

Last power operation 2023-06-08 08:32:26 UTC Last memory size 448 GiB

#### Host OS boot settings

None		\$
Instance	0	0
Enable one time bo	pot	
PM required policy		
nable to ensure the syste functional.	em only boots wi	nen the TPM

A message is displayed.

# Operations

There are no options to display while a power operation is in progress. When complete, power operations will be displayed here.

# **Note** After initiating the power on of the system, there is a 30 second delay before the update of the host power status to avoid sensor fluctuation. It is therefore necessary to wait 30 seconds before refreshing the Server power operations page of the Server Hardware Console (SHC) to see the updated power status after a power on.

# 4.3. Powering off the server with the power button

- 1. Check that the power button LED (A) is on and solid green to indicate that the server power status is Running.
- 2. Press the power button (B) for approximately four seconds.

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3. Check that the power status LED (A) is blinking green to indicate that the server power status is Off.

# 4.4. Rebooting or shutting down from the SHC

- 1. From the **Control** tab, click **Server power operations**. The **Server power operations** page opens.
- 2. In the Operations section, select the mode and click Reboot or Shutdown.

# Server power operations

#### Current status

Host status Not available

Last power operation 2023-06-08 08:32:26 UTC Last memory size 448 GiB

### Host OS boot settings

None		\$
nstance	0	

#### TPM required policy

Enable to ensure the system only boots when the TPM is functional.

Enabled



# Operations

Reboot server

- Orderly OS shuts down, then server reboots
- Immediate Server reboots without OS shutting down; may cause data corruption

Reboot

#### Shutdown server

 Orderly - OS shuts down, then server shuts down
 Immediate - Server shuts down without OS shutting down; may cause data corruption

Shut down

# 4.5. Configuring the power restore policy

The power restore policy determines how the system starts after a power disturbance.

1. From the **Control** tab, click **Power restore policy**. The **Power restore policy** page opens.



Save settings

2. Select the policy.

Power restore policy	Description
Always On	The system always powers on when power is applied
Always Off	The system always remains powered off when power is applied
Last state	The system returns to its last power state when power is applied

3. Click Save Settings.

# 4.6. Managing power usage

**Note** Only users with Administrator privilege have access to this feature.

1. From the **Control** tab, click **Manage power usage**. The **Manage power usage** page opens.



- 2. To set a power cap:
  - a. Select Apply power cap.
  - b. Set the power cap value in the **Power Cap Value (in watts)** box.
- 3. Click Save.

**Note** The power consumption and power cap value are indicated on the Overview page.

# Chapter 5. Maintenance operations

# 5.1. Rebooting the BMC

**Note** Only users with Administrator privilege have access to this feature.

1. From the Control tab, click Reboot BMC. The Reboot BMC page opens.



Last BMC reboot 2023-06-07 15:07:20 UTC

When you reboot the BMC, your web browser loses contact with the BMC for several minutes. When the BMC is back online, you may need to log in again.



2. Click the **Reboot BMC** button and confirm.

A success message is displayed.

Reboot BMC



# 5.2. Checking event logs

#### **Displaying event logs**

From the Health tab, click Event logs. The Event logs page opens.

# Event logs

4 56	Q Search logs		2294 items			
om d	ate		To date			
YYYY	-MM-DD		YYYY	MM-DD 📋		
						Filte
	‡ ID	\$ Sev	erity	\$ Date	Description	
	1686047387	© ok		2023-06-06 10:29:47 UTC	SEL Entry Added: 20000416160A00FFFF	G
	1686047345	Øok		2023-06-06 10:29:05 UTC	PVCCFA_EHV_CPU0_PWR sensor crossed a warning low threshold going high. Reading=2.000000 Threshold=1.000000.	0
	1686047344	9 Wa	rning	2023-06-06 10:29:04 UTC	PVCCFA_EHV_CPU0_PWR sensor crossed a warning low threshold going low. Reading=1.000000 Threshold=1.000000.	0

Mark	Description
А	Alphabetical search
В	Date range search
С	Log deletion
D	Severity filter
E	Export of log to a json file

#### **Filtering event logs**

Enter one or more search criteria in the alphabetical search (A), date range (B) and severity (D) fields to filter the event logs displayed.

#### **Exporting event logs**

Click the arrow (E) to export an event log to a json file.

#### **Deleting event logs**

Click (C) to delete all event logs.

# 5.3. Checking the sensors

#### **Displaying sensors**

From the Health tab, click Sensors. The Sensors page opens.

#### В 😂 Status Filter Α Q Fan × 6 of 21 items С 📽 Sensor type Filter Lower Current Upper Sensor Lower Upper ÷ Name Status type critical warning value warning critical 41800 FanO 5600 8206 40000 Fan OK 8000 RPM DIMM R RPM RPM RPM RPM 5600 40000 41800 Fan Fan1 CPU OK 8000 RPM 8252 RPM RPM RPM RPM 5600 40000 41800 Fan Fan2 CPU 8000 RPM 8183 RPM OOK RPM RPM RPM Fan3 5600 8104 40000 41800 Fan OK 8000 RPM DIMM L RPM RPM RPM RPM Fan4 5600 40000 41800 Fan OCK 8000 RPM 8115 RPM GPU RPM RPM RPM 40000 41800 5600 Fan Fan5 GPU OOK 8000 RPM 8241 RPM RPM RPM RPM

Mark	Description
А	Alphabetical search
В	Status filter
С	Sensor type filter

#### **Filtering sensors**

Enter one or more search criteria in the alphabetical search (A), date range (B) and severity (C) fields to filter the sensors displayed.

# Sensors

# 5.4. Collecting Logs

A log file is a collection of the logs for the connected server.

#### **Displaying logs**

From the Health tab, click Log Collect. The Log Collect page opens.



# Logs available

B-	Q. Search logs		1 items				
~	From dat	te		To date	1		
C-	YYYY-1	MM-DD		YYYY-MM-DD			
		🛊 Date ai	nd time		≑ ID	\$ Size	D
		2023-06-0	1 12:37:53	UTC	1	0.376 MB	¥ 🖬 — E

Mark	Description
А	Log file creation
В	Alphabetical search
С	Data range search
D	Log file download
E	Log file deletion

#### **Filtering logs**

Enter the search item (B) and / or the date range (C) to filter the log files displayed.

#### **Collecting logs**

**Note** Due to space restrictions, it is advisable to delete the existing logs before perform a new log collect.

Click Get logs (A) to create a new log collection.



#### **Exporting event logs**

Click the arrow (D) to download a log file.

#### **Deleting event logs**

Click (E) to delete the log file.

# 5.5. Managing firmware versions

1. From the **Configuration** tab, click **Firmware**. The **Firmware** page opens.

# Firmware

#### Firmware version

Component	Version
BIOS	BIOS_ESR160.37.01.001
ВМС	160.02.0004
FPGA	1.E.O.O

# Update firmware

Image file	
Only .tar, .tar.gz files accepted	
Add file	Force Update
Firmware update may take up 10 mir	nutes due to security features
Start update	

2. To update a firmware version, click **Add file** to select the firmware version file, and click **Start update**.

Notes	
	<ul> <li>It is strongly recommended to power off the system before updating the BIOS and FPGA firmware.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>After a BIOS firmware update, the boot option is reset to PXE. It is therefore necessary to change the boot option after the update if PXE is not desired boot option.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Select the Force Update box to reinstall the same firmware version.</li> </ul>

# Chapter 6. Managing RAID configurations

Important	ATTENTION: Please read carefully the safety instructions before
	you perform the procedures described in this manual.
	See the Multilingual Safety Notices Guide for translated versions
	of the safety notices.



#### WARNING W083

Do not change BIOS setup settings unless directed to do so by the support team.



WARNING W082

These procedures are for advanced users only. Risk of system damage.

# 6.1. M.2 NVMe disks RAID configuration with Intel® VROC

To use Virtual RAID On CPU (Intel® VROC) with M.2 NVMe disks, a hardware key must be inserted onto the motherboard, and the appropriate socket Virtual Management Devices (VMD) must be enabled in the BIOS settings.

#### 6.1.1. M.2 NVMe disks location

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Disk module	Socket	IOU	VMD port
M.2 NVMe disk 0	0	IOU 3	А
M.2 NVMe disk 1	0	IOU 3	С
M.2 NVMe disk 2	0	IOU 3	E
M.2 NVMe disk 3	0	IOU 3	G
M.2 NVMe disk 4	0	IOU 4	А
M.2 NVMe disk 5	0	IOU 4	С
M.2 NVMe disk 6	0	IOU 4	E
M.2 NVMe disk 7	0	IOU 4	G
M.2 riser board disk 0	0	IOU 0	А
M.2 riser board disk 1	0	IOU 0	С

#### 6.1.2. Intel® VROC mapping

BullSequana EXR & Al100R



#### BullSequana EXD & Al100D



Physical location	BIOS
M.2 NVMe disk 0	Port 3.0, Slot 8, CPU0, VMD3, BDF 0A.00.0
M.2 NVMe disk 1	Port 3.1, Slot 9, CPU0, VMD3, BDF 0B.00.0
M.2 NVMe disk 2	Port 3.2, Slot 10, CPU0, VMD3, BDF 0C.00.0
M.2 NVMe disk 3	Port 3.3, Slot 11, CPU0, VMD3, BDF 0D.00.0
M.2 NVMe disk 4	Port 4.0, Slot 12, CPU0, VMD4, BDF 0A.00.0
M.2 NVMe disk 5	Port 4.1, Slot 13, CPU0, VMD4, BDF 0B.00.0
M.2 NVMe disk 6	Port 4.2, Slot 14, CPU0, VMD4, BDF 0C.00.0
M.2 NVMe disk 7	Port 4.3, Slot 15, CPU0, VMD4, BDF 0D.00.0
M.2 riser board disk 0	Port 0.0, Slot 2, CPU0, VMD0, BDF 8A.00.0
M.2 riser board disk 1	Port 0.1, Slot 3, CPU0, VMD0, BDF 8B.00.0

#### 6.1.3. Configuring RAID disks

**Note** A RAID volume can be used as a bootable disk only if all disks in the RAID volume are connected to a single VMD domain. It is possible to create RAID volumes spanning multiple VMD domains, however such RAID configurations are not bootable.

#### Prerequisite

The appropriate Intel® VROC key is inserted on the motherboard.

Intel® VROC key type	RAID level
Standard	RAID 0, 1, 10
Premium	RAID 0, 1, 5, 10

It is necessary to remove the optional mezzanine to insert or remove the Intel® VROC key. Contact the Support team for more information.



#### Procedure

#### **1.** Access the BIOS interface

1. Wait a few minutes for the following screen to be displayed.



- 2. Press **[ESC**] to display the BIOS interface.
- 3. Select **Setup utility** from the main menu.



#### 2. Configure VMD

1. From Advanced, select Socket Configuration.



#### 2. Select IIO Configuration.



3. Select Intel VMD technology.



4. Select Intel VMD for Volume Management Device on socket 0.



- 5. In sections VMD Config for IOU 0, VMD Config for IOU 3 and VMD Config for IOU 4, enable:
  - Enable/Disable VMD
  - VMD port A
  - VMD port C
  - VMD port E
  - VMD port G
  - Hot Plug capable

	🗟 Advanced > Intel	VMD for Volume Ma	anagement Devic	e on Socket
Main	VMD Config for IOU 3			
	Enable/Disable VMD	Enabled >	Hot Plug Capable	Ð,
Ð,	VMD port A	Enabled >		
Advanced	VMD port B		Enable/Disable Hot Plu Root Ports	ig for PCIe
	VMD port C			
$\bigcirc$	VMD port D	Disabled >		
Security	VMD port E	Enabled >		
	VMD port F	Disabled >		
$\overline{\mathbf{F}}$	VMD port G			
Power	VMD port H			
	Hot Plug Capable	Enabled a		
(l)	CfgBar size	25 >		
Boot	CfgBar attribute	64-bit prefetcha >		
	MemBar1 size			
4	(F1) (EQ) (A)		(F9)	(F10)
Exit	Help Exit Select I	tem Select Item Change Values	s Select SubMenu Setup Defai	ults Save and Exit

#### 3. Save changes

- 1. Click **Exit**.
- 2. Click Exit Saving Changes.
- 3. Click **Yes** in the **Exit** dialog box.
- 4. Reboot the system

#### 5. Check the configuration after reboot



1. Select **Device management** from the main menu.

2. In **Device Management**, check that the new device **Intel(R) Virtual RAID on CPU** is created.

	Device Manager			
De	vices List			
•	TLS Certificate Manager			rtual RAID
•	Driver Health Manager		on CPU	
۲	RAM Disk Configuration			et allows the user to
•	Emulation Configuration		manage Int CPU	tel(R) Virtual RAID on
۲	iSCSI Configuration			
٠	Intel(R) VROC SATA Controller			
•	Network Device List			
	Intel(R) Virtual RAID on CPU			
Pre	ess ESC to exit.			
	(F1) Help	ESC	Select Item	(RHTB) Select SubMenju

3. Select Intel(R) Virtual RAID on CPU.

#### 4. Select All Intel VMD Controllers.



5. Check the configuration.



#### 6. Configure RAID volumes

- 1. From the Device Management menu, select Intel(R) Virtual RAID on CPU.
- 2. Select All Intel VMD Controllers.
- 3. Select Create RAID Volume.



- 4. Create the RAID volume:
  - a. Select the **RAID Level**: 0,1, 5 or 10.
  - b. Select **Enable RAID spanned over VMD Controllers** to create RAID volumes spanning multiple VMD domains.
  - c. Select the required disks in **Select Disks** section.
  - d. Select Create Volume.

	Intel(R) Virtual RAID on CPU	> Create RAID	) Volume	12
Cre			1	
	Name: RAID Level: Enable RAID Spanned over VMD Contr		Micron_7450_M TFDKBA960TFR SN:2320416A8 E1D, 894.25GB Port 3:0 CPU0	
			VMD3	
	Micron_7450_MTFDKBA960TFR SN:23			
	Micron_7450_MTFDKBA960TFR SN:23		X	× 1
	Micron_7450_MTFDKBA960TFR SN:23			
	Micron_7450_MTFDKBA960TFR SN:23			
	Micron_7450_MTFDKBA960TFR SN:23			
_	Micron_7450_MTFDKBA960TFR SN:23			
	F1 ESC () () () () () () () () () () () () ()	• F5 F6 Item Change Values	Select SubMenu Setup Defaults	F10 Save

5. Click **Yes** in the **Create Volume** dialog box.



# 6.2. SATA disks RAID configuration with Intel® VROC

To use Virtual RAID On CPU (Intel® VROC) with SATA disks, no hardware key is required, but the appropriate socket Virtual Management Devices (VMD) must be enabled in the BIOS settings.



#### 6.2.1. 2.5 inch SATA disks location

#### 6.2.2. Configuring RAID disks

**Note** A RAID volume can be used as a bootable disk only if all disks in the RAID volume are connected to a single VMD domain. It is possible to create RAID volumes spanning multiple VMD domains, however such RAID configurations are not bootable.

#### Procedure

#### **1.** Access the BIOS interface

1. Wait a few minutes for the following screen to be displayed.



2. Press **[ESC**] to display the BIOS interface.

3. Select **Setup utility** from the main menu.



#### 2. Configure VMD

1. From Advanced, select Socket Configuration.



#### 2. Select IIO Configuration.



#### 3. Select Intel VMD technology.

Ţ	Advanced > IIO Configuration	
Main	IIO Configuration	Intel VMD technology
Advanced	<ul> <li>Socket0 Configuration</li> <li>IOAT Configuration</li> <li>Intel VT for Directed I/O (VT-d)</li> </ul>	Press <enter> to bring up the Intel VMD for Volume Management Device Configuration menu.</enter>
Security	Intel VMD technology     IIO DFX Configuration     IIO Global Performance Tuning	
Power O Boot	IIO-PCIE Express Global Options PCIe Train by BIOS Yes > NTB Link Train by BIOS Yes >	
Exit		16 ENTER F9 F10

4. Select Intel VMD for Volume Management Device on socket 0.



- 5. In section VMD Config for IOU 0 enable:
  - Enable/Disable VMD
  - VMD port A
  - VMD port C
  - VMD port E
  - VMD port G
  - Hot Plug capable



#### 3. Configure settings for SATA disks

1. From Advanced, select PCH-IO Configuration.



#### 2. Select SATA and RST Configuration.



3. Select Controller 2 SATA and RST Configuration.



4. Change SATA Mode Selection to RAID.



#### 4. Save changes

- 1. Click Exit.
- 2. Click Exit Saving Changes.
- 3. Click Yes in the Exit dialog box.
- 5. Reboot the system

#### 6. Check the configuration after reboot



1. Select **Device management** from the main menu.

2. Select Intel® VROC sSATA Controller.

👰 Dev	vice Manager	X			
Devices List					
TLS Ce	ertificate Manager		Intel(R) Contro	VROC sSATA	
Driver	Health Manager				
RAM D	Disk Configuration			mset allows the user to	
Emulat	tion Configuration			RAID volumes on the RAID Controller	
▶ iSCSI	Configuration				
Intel(R	) VROC sSATA Controlle				
Network	rk Device List				
▶ Intel(R	I) Virtual RAID on CPU				
Press ESC t	o exit.				
(	F1 Help	Exit	Select Item	Select SubMenu	

3. Check the configuration.



#### 7. Configure RAID volumes

1. From the Device Management menu, select Intel® VROC sSATA Controller.


## 2. Select Create RAID Volume.



- 3. Create the RAID volume:
  - a. Select the **RAID Level**: 0,1, 5 or 10.
  - b. Select **Enable RAID spanned over VMD Controllers** to create RAID volumes spanning multiple VMD domains.
  - c. Select the required disks in **Select Disks** section.
  - d. Select Create Volume.

Intel(R) VROC sSATA Controlle	er > Create RAII	) Volume
		Port 3, Micron_5400_M TFDDAK960TG A SN:22253AB43
		D08, 894.25GB
		X - to Select Disk
		×
F1 ESC CONTRACTOR	€ F5 F6 terr Change Values Set	ect SubMenu Setup Defaults Save

4. Select Yes in the Create Volume dialog box.



# 6.3. SATA disks RAID configuration with a RAID controller card

# 6.3.1. 2.5 inch SATA disks location



Physical location	BIOS
SATA disk 0	C0.0:01:00
SATA disk 1	C0.0:01:01
SATA disk 2	C0.0:01:02
SATA disk 3	C0.1:01:05
SATA disk 4	C0.1:01:06
SATA disk 5	C0.1:01:07

## 6.3.2. Configuring RAID disks

#### Procedure

## **1.** Access the BIOS interface

1. Wait a few minutes for the following screen to be displayed.



2. Press **[ESC**] to display the BIOS interface.

## 2. Configure Virtual RAID

Example: configuration RAID1 with 2 disks.

1. Select **Device management** from the main menu.



2. In Device Manager, select Broadcom MegaRAID configuration Utility.



3. Check the number of disks available.



4. In the Main menu, select Configuration Management.



#### 5. Select Create Virtual Drive.



#### 6. Select RAID level.



#### 7. Select Select Drives.

	BROADCOM <megaraid< th=""><th>9560-16i 8GB&gt; Cor</th><th>nfiguration Utility - 07.24.03.0</th></megaraid<>	9560-16i 8GB> Cor	nfiguration Utility - 07.24.03.0
	Save Configuration		
	Select RAID Level	RAID1 >	Select Drives
	Secure Virtual Drive	Disabled	
	Unmap Capability	Disabled >	Allows you to select drives for
	Select Drives From	Unconfigured C >	creating virtual drive.
	Select Drives		
co	NFIGURE VIRTUAL DRIVE PARAMETER Virtual Drive Name	25:	
	Virtual Drive Size		
	Virtual Drive Size Unit	GB >	
	Strip Size	256 KB >	
	Read Policy		
	Write Policy		
	(F1) Help Exit Select Item	Select Item (F5) (F6) Change Values	Select SubMenu Setup Defaults Save

#### 8. Choose and enable the disks.



#### 9. Apply changes.



10. Click **OK**.



## 11. Save the configuration.

S	elect RAID Level	RAID1 >	Save Configuration
S	ecure Virtual Drive	Disabled	
Ú	nmap Capability	Disabled >	Submits the changes made to the
s	elect Drives From	Unconfigured C >	entire form and creates a virtual drive with the specified parameters.
► S	elect Drives		
CONF	IGURE VIRTUAL DRIVE PARAME	TERS:	
v	irtual Drive Name		
v	irtual Drive Size	893.750 >	
v	irtual Drive Size Unit		
	trip Size	256 KB >	
R	ead Policy		
N	Irite Policy		

#### 12. Confirm the creation.



## 13. Select Yes.



## 14. Select **OK**.



15. Click **ESC** twice to return to the main menu.

## 3. Check the configuration



1. From the main menu, select Virtual Drive Management.

2. Select the new virtual drive.



- BROADCOM < MegaRAID 9560-16i 8GB> Configuration Utility 07.24.03.0 893.750GB, Optimal View Associated Drives RAID1 > Displays all the drives currently associated with the selected virtual drive. 893.750 GB > Advanced... ENTER (F9) (F1) $\odot$ (F5)(F6) (+)(F10) (ESC) ct SubM
- 3. Select View Associated Drives to see the associated drives.

# Appendix A. Pre-installation steps for Windows Server 2022

The Windows Server 2022 operating system (OS) can be installed on different storage configurations using the installation ISO image.

In some cases, it is necessary to load a driver to be able to access the storage devices.

See The Bull support web site for the necessary drivers: https://support.bull.com

## Procedure

1. Click Load Driver on the following screen

Name		Total size	Free space	Туре
	× norm			
** Befresh	X Delete	Eormat	- New	
Load driver	Cal Estend			

2. Browse the location of the driver

	- 23
Load driver To install the device driver for your drive, insert the installation media cont	
driver files, and then click OK. Note: The installation media can be a CD, DVD, or US8 flash drive.	
Browse	Cancel

## 3. Select the driver

The driver can be copied to the installation media before starting, or to another USB drive.

## Driver added to the installation media

1. Select the driver folder that is present on the Windows Installation USB drive.

2	SSS_NOFFRE_(C) USB installer	WDINAMEDOW (M	langel
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	V DRIVERS		
	NVMEavROC.free.win10.64bit.7.7.0.12		
	> ef		
	> sources		
	> support		
٧.	New Volume (D:)		
	> 🗧 Chipset-10. 1. 19263.8344-Public-Server-BKI 🗸		
<	3		
	OK Cancel		
			-
-			>

2. Select the driver to install.

	driver to install Me RAID Controller <mark>(C\</mark> DRIVER	RS\NVMEiaVROC free win10 64bit 7 7.0.1	260\iaVROC.inf)
nt Device NVI	Me RAID Controller (C) DRIVER	RS\NVMEiaVROC free win10 64bit.7 7 0 1	260\iaVROC.inf)
4			
<			>
	e that was 't compatible with	this computer's hardware.	

## Driver on another USB drive

1. Select the driver folder that is present on a separate drive.

Browse for Folder	
Browse to the driver, and then dick OK.	2
30 Objects Documents Music Webos SS_X647RE_(C) OSB Drive (D) OSB Drive (	Ac-Server

2. Select the driver to install.

nt Device NVMe	RAID Controller (D.).DRIVERS(.NVM	EuVROC free win10.64bit 7.7.0.1260/ja	ROC inf)
æ		EiaVROC free win10.64bit 7.7.0.1260/ia	no ciny
¢			>

- X 😋 🔏 Microsoft Server Operating System Setup Where do you want to install the operating system? Name Total size Free space Type Drive 2 Partition 1 100.0 MB 67.0 MB System Drive 2 Partition 2 16.0 MB 16.0 MB MSR (Reserved) Drive 2 Partition 3 446.5 GB 433.5 GB Primary Drive 2 Partition 4 523.0 MB 85.0 MB Recovery Orive 3 Partition 1: New Volume 4471 GB 445.4 GB Primary X Delete Refresh Eormat Load driver 🗿 Extend Next
- 4. Select one of the NVMe drives present to continue installation

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