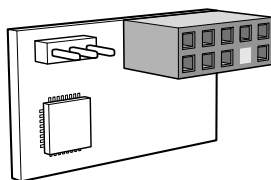
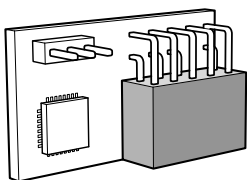




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Preface

About This User's Guide

This user's guide is written for system integrators, IT professionals, and knowledgeable end users who wish to add additional data security mechanisms to their systems to protect highly sensitive applications. It provides detailed information on configuring, provisioning, and using the Trusted Platform Module (TPM).

User's Guide Organization

Chapter 1 provides an overview of the TPM, including its features and uses.

Chapter 2 provides detailed instructions on installing, provisioning, and using the TPM.

Conventions Used in This User's Guide

Pay special attention to the following symbols for proper TPM configuration.



Warning: Important information given to avoid TPM configuration errors.



Note: Additional information given to ensure correct and proper TPM configuration setup.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Overview of the Trusted Platform Module (TPM)

The Trusted Platform Module (TPM9670) is a special add-on module that may be installed onto Supermicro X11 dual and single processor motherboards that support CPU Socket 3674 only.

Types of TPMs



Note: TPM module must be provisioned in order to support Intel® Trusted Execution Technology (TXT). Please contact Supermicro Technical Support to get more details about the Intel tool.

The TPM-9670 series add-on modules use TCG (Trusted Computing Group) version 2.0 firmware.

The following SKUs are available:

- AOM-TPM-9670V, a vertical TPM module
- AOM-TPM-9670H, a horizontal TPM module

Horizontal vs. Vertical: Generally, whether you should use a TPM with a horizontal or vertical form factor depends on the physical space available. Horizontal TPMs are used in 1U chassis. Vertical TPMs are used in 2U or taller chassis, which are designed with a smaller footprint to occupy less space on the motherboard.

Server vs. Client: To use the TXT function, each TPM has been provisioned as a server model or client model. Be sure to use the appropriate TPM for your needs. Both server TPM and client TPM are designed to support motherboards with Socket P (LGA3647) processors installed.

1.2 Supermicro TPM Features

1. TCG 2.0 compliance
2. SPI interface
3. Microcontroller in 0.22/0.09- μ m CMOS technology
4. Compliant embedded software
5. EEPROM for TCG firmware enhancements and for user data and key support
6. Hardware accelerator for SHA-1 and SHA-256 hash algorithm
7. True Random Number Generator (TRNG)
8. Tick counter with tamper detection
9. Protection against dictionary attack
10. Infineon's TPM 2.0 is Common Criteria (CC) certified at Evaluation Assurance Level (EAL) 4 Moderate
11. General-purpose I/O
12. Intel® Trusted Execution Technology (TXT) support
13. AMD® Secure Virtual Machine Architecture support
14. Full personalization with Endorsement Key (EK) and EK certificate
15. Power-saving sleep mode
16. 3.3V power supply
17. WHQL dual-mode 1.1b + 1.2 TPM Windows Kernel Mode Driver

1.3 Motherboards Supported for TPM

Please refer to the Supermicro website (<http://www.supermicro.com/>) for a complete and most up-to-date list of the motherboards that can support the TPM. As a general rule, besides the X11 motherboards, the list includes most X9 motherboards, all X10 motherboards, and some AMD motherboards. These motherboards will come with a specially designated JTPM1 connector on every board, which will be listed in the respective motherboard's manual.

1.4 Intel® TXT

The Intel Trusted Execution Technology (TXT) is a software tool that may be used in conjunction with the TPM to provide additional security for pre-launch firmware of clusters and clouds, including but not limited to the BIOS, IPMI, SAS firmware, and CMM firmware. It is optional, but the TPM is required for it to be provisioned. It will further enhance system security by protecting firmware against malicious attacks on vulnerable areas.

It works by matching hypervisor measures with encryption keys upon system launch. If the hypervisor does not match the keys, the hypervisor will be prevented from starting up.

To use the TXT, you need to enable TXT support after provisioning the TPM.



Note: TXT is only supported on Intel platforms that support TPM use.

How the TXT Works

The Intel TXT, when enabled, follows a step-by-step process to ensure the security of pre-launch components.

1. Measures the hypervisor launch upon system startup
2. Checks for a match
3. If matched: The TXT signals "trusted," and the launch is allowed to proceed.
4. If mismatched: The TXT signals "untrusted," and the launch is blocked.

Chapter 2

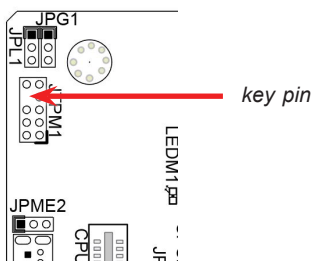
Deploying and Using the TPM

Follow the instructions below to begin using the TPM.

2.1 Installing the TPM Onto the Motherboard

To install the Trusted Platform Module onto your motherboard, follow the steps below.

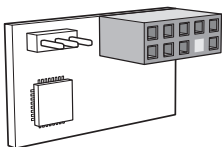
1. Find the 9-pin male JTPM1 connector on the motherboard. If you need help locating this connector, consult your motherboard manual. If the board does not have this feature, then it does not support the TPM.
2. Using the key pin as a reference, orient, and align your TPM with the connector.



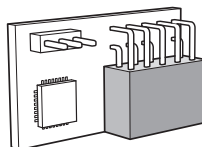
3. Carefully insert the TPM into the connector on the motherboard, making sure not to damage the pins.



Note: The orientation of the TPM to be installed depends on whether it has a horizontal or vertical form factor. The vertical TPM is intended to "stand" perpendicular to the motherboard, while the horizontal TPM lies flat (parallel) on the motherboard. See the below two images for the correct orientation.



Horizontal TPM



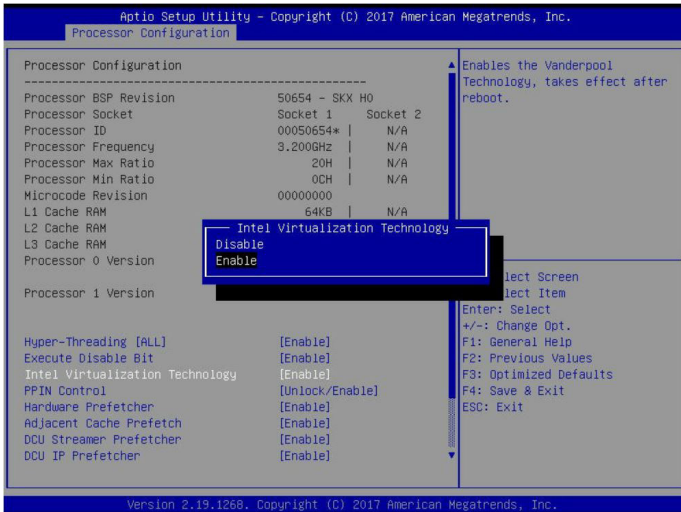
Vertical TPM

2.2 Enabling the TPM via the BIOS and Intel® Provision Utility

There are two components to the process of enabling the TPM. After you have installed the TPM onto the motherboard, you must first "verify" the TPM for the motherboard. This is done through the BIOS, which can also be used to enable TXT support. You then will need to "lock" the TPM in the firmware. This is done through the provision utility provided by Intel.

A. Enabling the TPM in the BIOS

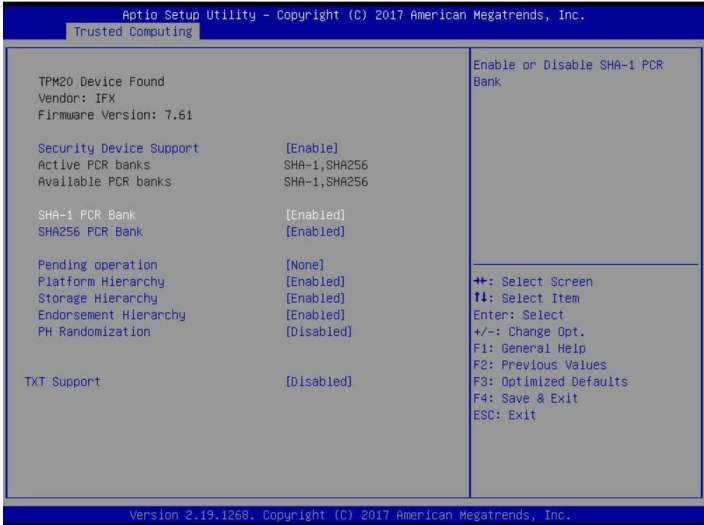
1. Enter the BIOS setup screen. You may do this either from the IPMI remote console or from the server directly using KVM. Reboot the system, and press the key as the system boots until you reach the BIOS screen.
2. You will be presented with the BIOS Setup main screen. Using your arrow keys, navigate to the **"Advanced"** tab. From there, navigate down and select the **"CPU Configuration"** option. Press <Enter>.
3. You will then be taken to the CPU Configuration page. Using your arrow keys, navigate down to the **"Intel Virtualization Technology"** option, as shown below, and press <Enter>. If this item is not already enabled, select **Enable** and press <Enter>.



- Once you have enabled virtualization support, press your <Esc> key until you are back to the "Advanced" tab. Navigate down to the "Trusted Computing" option and press <Enter>. The Trusted Computing window will appear.

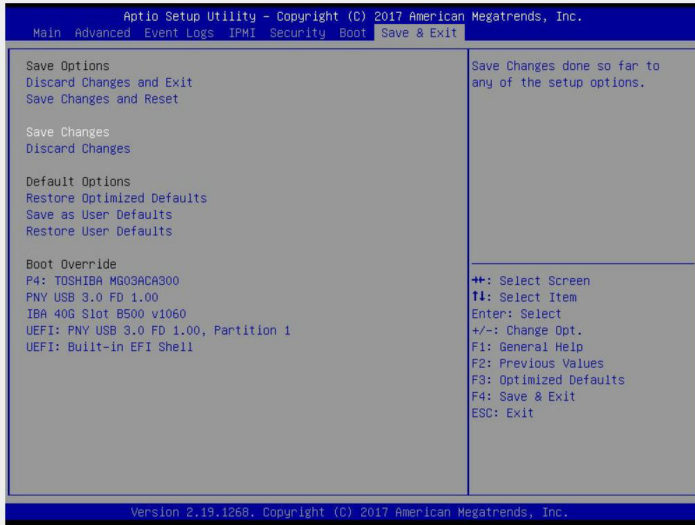


Note: By default, "SHA-1 PCR Bank" and "SHA-256 PCR Bank" are Enabled.

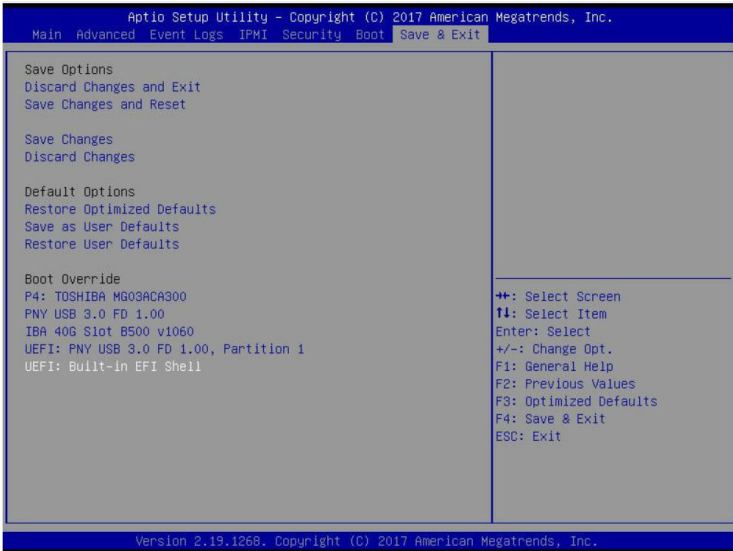


- Disable "PH Randomization" and "TXT Support" only. Using the arrow keys, select each option, press the <Enter> key to select **Disabled**, and press the <Enter> key again.

- Press the <Esc> key to bring you back to the "Advanced" tab options. Use the arrow keys to toggle to the "Save & Exit" tab.



- Use the arrow keys to select "Save Changes". Press the <Enter> key.



B. Provisioning Intel TXT (Server)

Next, you will need to provision Intel TXT in the UEFI shell.



Note: If the TPM part number is AOM-TPM-9670V-S or AOM-TPM-9670H-S, you do not need to get the Intel® Provisioning Tool. Please go ahead and enable the Intel TXT feature in the BIOS.

1. Select **"UEFI: Built-in EFI Shell"** in the BIOS. The system will boot into the Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI) with a list of available USB devices.
2. Each USB device has its own code. Type the code for the USB device that you want to use into the command line at the bottom of the screen. and press the **<Enter>** key.



Note: The device used for the purposes of this user guide had a code of fs0. Replace this code with the code that corresponds to your device.

3. In the command line at the bottom of the screen, follow these steps below after typing **"FS0"**.

```
FS0:\TPM2ProvTool\TPM2 Prov Tool\> Tpm2TxtProv.nsh sha256 Default
FS0:\TPM2ProvTool\TPM2 Prov Tool\> echo -OFF
***** Provisioning NV Indexes *****
If PlatformAuth is not EMPTY, then first run ResetPlatformAuth.nsh sha256 Default
**** Start PM Session for PlatformAuth & Index Read Auth
***** Provisioning PS Index *****
**** Checking if PS Index exists
**** Comparing attributes against definition
**** Verifying if Data is correct
**** Checking AUX Index
**** Checking if AUX index exists
**** AUX already exists, check if provisioned correctly
AUX Index provisioned correctly
***** Provisioning Completed Successfully *****
FS0:\TPM2ProvTool\TPM2 Prov Tool\>
```

4. After the provisioning process has been completed, you will need to go back into the BIOS and enable **"TXT Support"**. To do this, type **"exit"** in the command line at the bottom of the screen and press the **<Enter>** key.

```
FS0:\TPM2ProvTool\TPM2 Prov Tool\> Tpm2TxtProv.nsh sha256 Default
FS0:\TPM2ProvTool\TPM2 Prov Tool\> echo -OFF
***** Provisioning NV Indexes *****
If PlatformAuth is not EMPTY, then first run ResetPlatformAuth.nsh sha256 Default
**** Start PW Session for PlatformAuth & Index Read Auth
***** Provisioning PS Index *****
**** Checking if PS Index exists
**** Comparing attributes against definition
**** Verifying if Data is correct
**** Checking AUX Index
**** Checking if AUX index exists
**** AUX already exists, check if provisioned correctly
AUX Index provisioned correctly
*****
***** Provisioning Completed Successfully *****
*****
FS0:\TPM2ProvTool\TPM2 Prov Tool\> exit_
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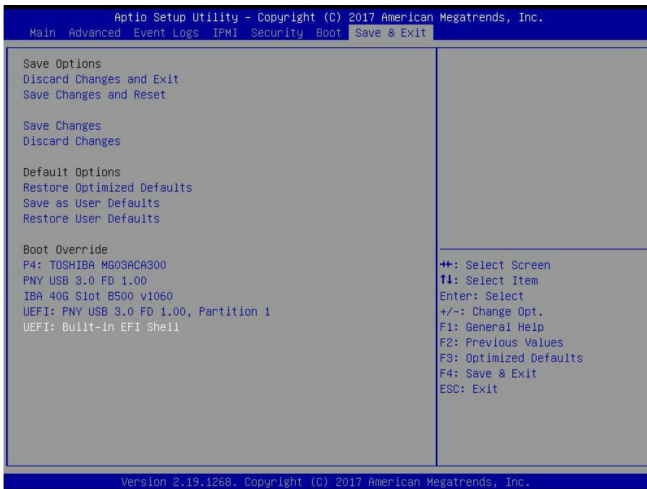
C. Enabling TXT Support

The last step is enabling TXT Support in the BIOS and UEFI shell.

1. Go back to the **"Advanced"** tab in the BIOS and enable Platform Hierarchy, Storage Hierarchy, Endorsement Hierarchy, PH Randomization, and TXT Support.



2. Go back to the **"Save & Exit"** tab and select **"UEFI: Built-in EFI Shell"** in the BIOS. When the confirmation window appears, select **<Yes>**.



- After Enabling TXT Support in the BIOS, you will need to run TXT in the UEFI shell. In the Command line at the bottom of the page, type “**getsec64_v2.0.11.efi -l sen -a**” and press the <Enter> key. TXT support is now enabled.

```

01/16/12  02:21a           1,712  Instructions.txt
11/26/13  12:56a           21,468  sinit_error.txt
04/01/14  01:14a           15,986  ver.txt
05/23/11  06:10p          139,961  Bootable EFI disk Instructions.pdf
01/16/12  02:33a          298,362  TTK-64.pdf
03/11/14  01:02a           72,896  getsec64.efi
06/05/12  11:29p           38,336  ServerSecrets.efi
01/16/14  11:33p          295,584  ServerTXTINF0.efi
14 File(s)      1,107,949 bytes
3 Dir(s)

```

```

fs5:\Grantley_Refresh\TXT> getsec64.efi -l sen -a
*****
GETSEC64 v1.3.4
Built: Mar 10 2014 13:11:58
Intel Corporation
Copyright (c) 2010-2014
*****
GETSEC[SENTER] complete. System is now in TXT Environment.

```

- To Exit from the TXT Environment, type “**getsec64_v2.0.11.efi -l sextit**” in the command line at the bottom of the screen and press the <Enter> key.

```

06/08/2015  15:13 <DIR>           16,384  <empty>
09/21/2017  02:09 <DIR>           32,768  TPM2 Prov Tool
0 File(s)           0 bytes
5 Dir(s)
FS0:\TPM2ProvTool\> cd "TPM2 Prov Tool"
FS0:\TPM2ProvTool\TPM2 Prov Tool\> getsec64.efi -l sen -a
DEBUG: cmd_line_parse
*****
GETSEC64 v1.3.15
Built: Nov 10 2015 09:53:18
Intel Corporation
Copyright (c) 2010-2015
*****
DEBUG: Load ACM to TXT_SINIT.BASE
DEBUG: IsSecureEnvironment
DEBUG: do_getsec
DEBUG: RipCnt 15
DEBUG: rips_joined
GETSEC[SENTER] complete. System is now in TXT Environment.
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DEBUG: cmd_line_parse
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*****
DEBUG: Load ACM to TXT_SINIT.BASE
DEBUG: do_getsec
GETSEC[SEXTIT] complete. System has exited TXT Environment.
FS0:\TPM2ProvTool\TPM2 Prov Tool\>

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2.3 An Important Note to the User

The graphics shown in this user's guide were based on the latest information available at the time of publishing of this guide. The TPM screens shown on your computer may or may not look exactly like the screen shown in this user's guide.

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