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Model: X870E AORUS MASTER | Brand: GIGABYTE

Introduction

The GIGABYTE X870E AORUS Master Motherboard is engineered for high-performance computing, supporting AMD AM5 Processors with advanced features such as DDR5 memory, PCIe 5.0, and comprehensive connectivity. This manual provides essential information for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of your motherboard, ensuring optimal performance and longevity.

Safety Information

Adhering to safety guidelines is crucial when handling computer components. Please read the following precautions carefully:

- Always disconnect the power supply from the wall outlet before installing or removing any components.
- Handle the motherboard by its edges to avoid touching sensitive components and to prevent electrostatic discharge (ESD). Consider using an anti-static wrist strap.
- Ensure proper grounding of your system to prevent electrical damage.
- Keep the motherboard and other components away from moisture, dust, and extreme temperatures.
- Do not attempt to repair the motherboard yourself. Refer to qualified service personnel for assistance.

Package Contents

Verify that all items listed below are present in your motherboard package:

- GIGABYTE X870E AORUS Master Motherboard
- User Manual (this document)
- SATA Data Cables
- Wi-Fi Antenna

- M.2 Screws and Standoffs
- G Connector (for easy front panel header connection)
- Other accessories (refer to your product packaging for a complete and accurate list)

Setup

1. CPU Installation

The GIGABYTE X870E AORUS Master Motherboard utilizes the AMD AM5 socket. To install your CPU:

1. Lift the CPU socket retention arm.
2. Carefully align the triangle marker on your AMD AM5 CPU with the corresponding triangle on the motherboard socket.
3. Gently place the CPU into the socket. Do not force it.
4. Lower the retention arm and push it down until it clicks into place, securing the CPU.

Image: Close-up view of the AMD AM5 CPU socket, illustrating the precise alignment required for CPU installation.

2. RAM (DDR5) Installation

This motherboard supports DDR5 memory modules. To install RAM:

1. Locate the DDR5 DIMM slots.
2. Open the clips on both ends of the memory slot.
3. Align the notch on the memory module with the key in the DIMM slot.
4. Press firmly on both ends of the memory module until the clips snap into place, securing the module.

Image: Overview of the motherboard showing the DDR5 memory slots, ready for RAM module installation.

3. M.2 SSD Installation

The motherboard features multiple M.2 slots with dedicated Thermal Guards for optimal cooling. To install an M.2 SSD:

1. Remove the M.2 Thermal Guard screw and lift the heatsink.
2. Insert the M.2 SSD into the slot at a slight angle.
3. Gently push the SSD down and secure it using the provided screw or the EZ-Latch mechanism if available.

4. Reattach the Thermal Guard and secure it with its screw.

Image: Detailed view of the M.2 slots with their thermal guards, indicating where SSDs are installed.

4. Motherboard Mounting

Before mounting, ensure your PC case supports the ATX form factor:

1. Install the necessary standoffs in your PC case according to the ATX motherboard screw holes.
2. Carefully place the motherboard onto the installed standoffs, ensuring the rear I/O shield aligns correctly with the case opening.
3. Secure the motherboard to the case using the appropriate screws.

Image: The GIGABYTE X870E AORUS Master Motherboard alongside its packaging, illustrating the product's physical appearance.

5. Power Connections

Connect the power supply cables to the motherboard:

- Connect the 24-pin ATX main power connector from your power supply to the corresponding port on the motherboard.
- Connect the 8-pin and 4-pin CPU power connectors (EPS12V) from your power supply to the ports located near the CPU socket.

6. Peripheral Connections

Connect your external and internal peripherals:

- Connect your monitor to the HDMI or DisplayPort on the rear I/O panel if using integrated graphics.
- Connect USB devices, LAN cable, and audio devices to the appropriate ports on the rear I/O panel.
- Utilize the internal headers for front panel USB ports, audio jacks, and case fans. Refer to the motherboard diagram for header locations.

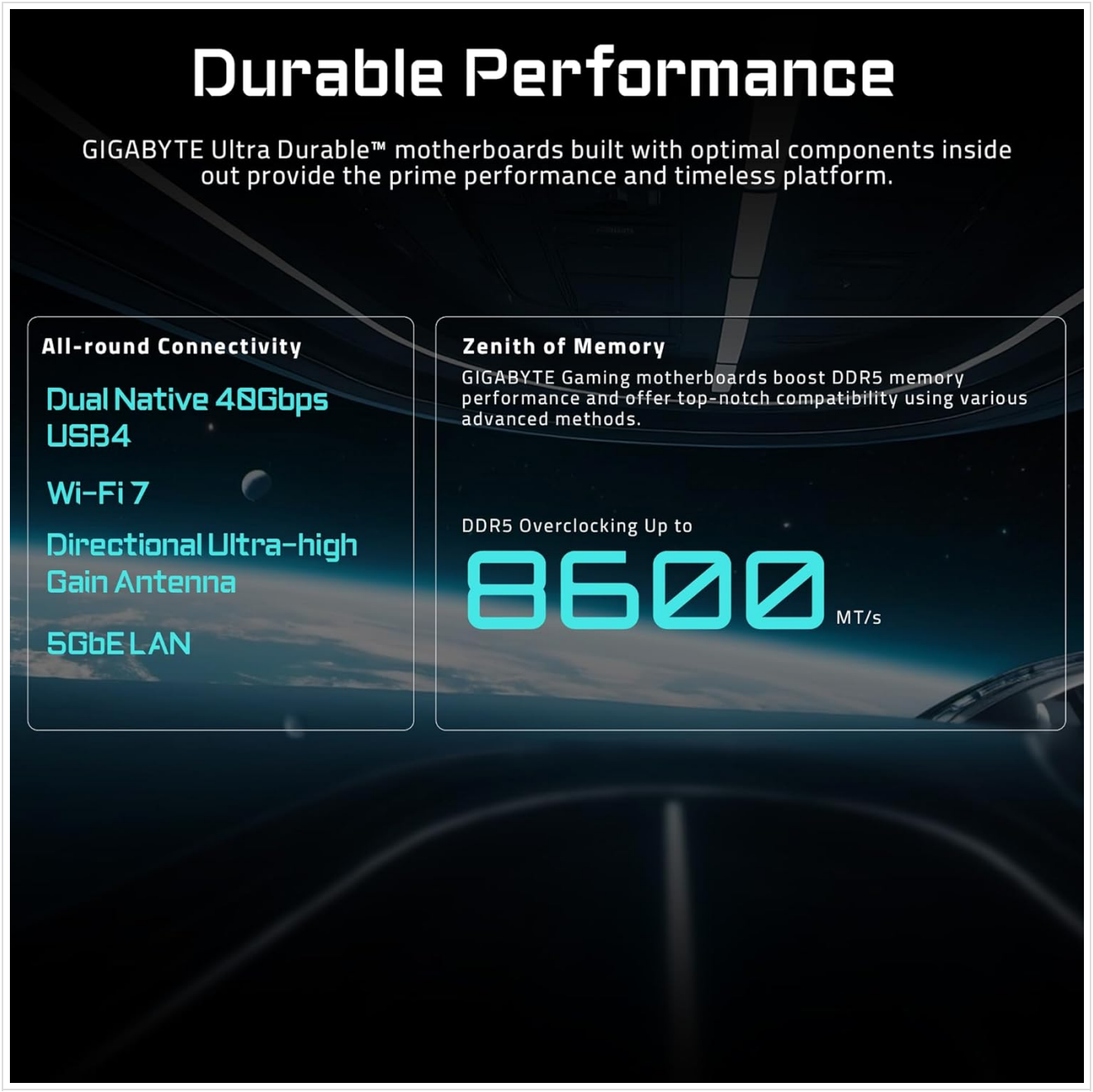

Image: Rear I/O panel of the motherboard, displaying various ports including USB, LAN, and audio connections.

Image: Diagram illustrating the layout of the motherboard's I/O ports and internal headers for easy connection identification.

OPERATING

1. BIOS/UEFI Configuration

Upon the first boot or after hardware changes, you may need to configure the BIOS/UEFI settings:

- Press the designated key (usually **DEL** or **F2**) repeatedly during startup to enter the BIOS/UEFI setup.
- Configure the boot order to prioritize your operating system drive.
- Enable **XMP**/**EXPO** for your DDR5 memory to achieve its rated speeds.
- Adjust other system settings as required for your specific setup.

2. Driver Installation

After installing your operating system (Windows 10/11), install the latest drivers for optimal performance:

- Visit the official GIGABYTE support website for your motherboard model.
- Download and install the latest chipset, LAN, Wi-Fi, audio, and other relevant drivers.

3. System Boot-up

Once all drivers are installed and BIOS settings are configured, your system is ready for normal operation.

Maintenance

1. Cleaning

Regular cleaning helps maintain optimal performance and extends the lifespan of your motherboard:

- Periodically clean dust from the motherboard, CPU cooler, and other components using compressed air.
- Ensure the system is completely powered off and unplugged before cleaning.

2. BIOS Updates

Keeping your BIOS updated can improve compatibility, stability, and performance:

- Visit the GIGABYTE official website for the latest BIOS/UEFI updates for your X870E AORUS Master.
- Follow the provided instructions carefully when updating the BIOS. Incorrect procedures can lead to system instability.

3. Driver Updates

Ensure all your system drivers are up-to-date to benefit from performance improvements and bug fixes.

Troubleshooting

This section addresses common issues you might encounter:

- **No Power:** Check all power connections (24-pin ATX, CPU 8-pin/4-pin, GPU PCIe power). Ensure the power supply is switched on and functioning correctly.
- **No Display:** Verify monitor connection and input source. Ensure your graphics card is properly seated in its PCIe slot. Try reseating RAM modules. If using integrated graphics, confirm your CPU supports it.
- **Boot Loop/System Instability:** Reset BIOS to default settings (clear CMOS). Check RAM compatibility and ensure modules are correctly seated. Verify the CPU cooler is properly installed and making good contact with the CPU.
- **Component Not Detected:** Reseat the component (e.g., RAM, M.2 SSD, GPU). Check BIOS settings to ensure the component is enabled and detected.

- **Q-Flash Plus Feature:** The GIGABYTE X870E AORUS Master supports Q-Flash Plus, allowing you to update the BIOS without a CPU, RAM, or graphics card installed. This is useful for compatibility with newer CPUs. Refer to the GIGABYTE website for detailed instructions on using this feature.

Video: An official overview of GIGABYTE X870 Motherboards, highlighting key features and technologies.

Video: A product overview video showcasing the GIGABYTE X870E AORUS Master Motherboard.

Specifications

Feature	Detail
RAM	DDR5
Memory Speed	5600 MHz
Brand	GIGABYTE
Series	X870E AORUS MASTER
Item model number	X870E AORUS MASTER
Item Weight	5.19 pounds
Package Dimensions	14 x 11.7 x 3.2 inches
Color	Matte Black
Manufacturer	GIGABYTE
ASIN	B0DGVSW4FD
Country of Origin	China
Date First Available	September 30, 2024
CPU Socket	Socket AM5
Compatible Devices	Personal Computer
RAM Memory Technology	DDR5
Compatible Processors	AMD Ryzen 8000 series, AMD Ryzen 9000 series, AMD Ryzen 7000 series
Chipset Type	AMD X870E
Memory Clock Speed	5600 MHz
Platform	Windows 11, Windows 10
RAM Memory Maximum Size	256 GB

Warranty and Support

The GIGABYTE X870E AORUS Master Motherboard is backed by a **5-Year Warranty**, ensuring long-term reliability

and peace of mind.
For technical support, driver downloads, BIOS updates, and warranty claims, please visit the official GIGABYTE support website:
www.gigabyte.com/support