User Guide

Lenovo ThinkBook Plus Gen 4

Read this first

Before using this documentation and the product it supports, ensure that you read and understand the following:

- *Generic Safety and Compliance Notices*
- *Safety and Warranty Guide*
- *Setup Guide*

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About this guide

- This guide applies to Lenovo product model(s) listed below. Illustrations in this guide may look slightly different from your product model.

Model name	Machine type (MT)
ThinkBook Plus G4 IRU	21JJ
ThinkBook Plus G4 IRU1	

- For further compliance information, refer to the *Generic Safety and Compliance Notices* at https://pcsupport.lenovo.com/docs/generic_notices.
- This guide may contain information about accessories, features, and software that are not available on all models.
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Chapter 1. Meet your computer

Front

1. Microphones	Capture or record sound and voice.
2. Ambient light sensor	Detect the surrounding light intensity and adjust the brightness of the built-in screen accordingly. **Note:** To turn off the automatic brightness adjustment, type display settings in the Windows search box and then press Enter.
3. E-ink screen	Take notes, sketch, read content or operate certain Windows apps. Supports touch function.

Top/Base

1. Camera	Capture still and moving images for taking photos, recording videos, and video chatting.
2. Camera cover	Cover or uncover the camera. **Note:** The camera cover helps you better protect your privacy.
3. Camera light	If the light is on, the camera is in use.
4. Ambient light sensor (ALS)	Detect the surrounding light intensity and adjust the brightness of the built-in screen accordingly, **Note:** To turn off the automatic brightness adjustment, type display settings in the Windows search box and then press Enter.
5. Screen	Display text, graphics, and videos. Support multi-touch function.
6. Twist hinge	A movable joint that enables the screen to rotate.
7. Keyboard	Enter characters and interact with programs. **Note:** The keyboard also includes hotkeys and function keys for changing settings and performing tasks quickly.
8. Touchpad	Perform finger touch and all the functions of a traditional mouse. **Note:** The touchpad also supports multi-touch function.

Left

1. Multi-purpose USB Type-C® connector	This multi-purpose connector is Thunderbolt 4 enabled. When connected with a Thunderbolt enabled device, data transfer may be established in Thunderbolt mode. It can also be used to connect display devices and devices that utilize the USB data transfer technology. **Note:** When connecting display devices, you need to use appropriate cables and adapters (if needed) according to the connection capabilities of the display device.
2. Combo audio jack	Connect headphones or headsets with a 3.5 mm (0.14 inch), 4-pole plug. **Note:** This jack does not support standalone external microphones. If you use headsets, choose one with a single plug.

Right

1. Power light	• Solid white: the computer is in use.
	• Blinking green then solid green: the computer screen locks.
	• Slow blinking white: the computer is in sleep mode.
	• Off: The computer is turned off or in hibernate mode.
2. Power button/Fingerprint reader	• Press the button to turn on the computer or put the computer into sleep mode.
	Note: You can turn on the computer by flipping open the LCD screen if Flip to Start is enabled.
	• Enroll and read your fingerprint for user authentication.
3. Multi-purpose USB Type-C connector	This multi-purpose connector is Thunderbolt 4 enabled. When connected with a Thunderbolt enabled device, data transfer may be established in Thunderbolt mode. It can also be used to connect display devices and devices that utilize the USB data transfer technology. **Note:** When connecting display devices, you need to use appropriate cables and adapters (if needed) according to the connection capabilities of the display device.

Bottom

1. Novo button hole	Presses the Novo button to open the **Novo Button** menu. From the menu, you can choose to open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility, the Boot menu, or the Windows startup options screen.
2. Wireless antennas	Send and receive radio waves for the built-in wireless LAN (local area network) and Bluetooth module. **Notes:** • The antennas are not visible from the outside of the computer. • If the location of the antennas is close to the user's body (< 20 cm), you can find the Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) values in the *Setup Guide* that comes with your computer.
3. Speakers	Produce sound.
4. Ventilation slots (inlet)	Maintain the incoming airflow to dissipate internal heat. **Attention:** Do not block the ventilation slots. Otherwise, the computer might overheat.

Features and specifications

Dimensions	• Width: 297 mm (11.69 inches)
	• Depth: 219 mm (8.62 inches)
	• Thickness
	  – Thinnest: 15.8 mm (0.62 inches)
	  – Thickest: 17.7 mm (0.70 inches)

ac power adapter	• Input: 100 V ac–240 V ac, 50 Hz–60 Hz • Maximum output: 20 V dc, 3.25 A • Maximum power: 65 W
Battery pack	• Capacity: 56 Wh • Number of cells: 4 **Note:** The battery capacity is the typical or average capacity as measured in a specific test environment. Capacities measured in other environments may differ but are no lower than the rated capacity (see product label).
Microprocessor	To view the microprocessor information of your computer, type system information in the Windows search box and then press Enter.
Memory	• Type: LPDDR5X • Number of physical slots: 0
Secondary storage device	• Type: solid-state drive • Form factor: M.2 (2280) • Bus: PCI Express
Screen	• Size: 337.82 mm (13.3 inches) • Display resolution: 2880 × 1800 pixels
Keyboard	• Function keys • Hotkeys • Numeric keypad • Keyboard backlight

Connectors and slots	• Combo audio jack
	• Multi-purpose USB Type-C connector
	– Power input up to 65 W using the included power adapter
	– Supports maximum signaling rate of 41.25 Gbps in Thunderbolt mode
	– Supports SuperSpeed USB 10 Gbps
	– Supports DisplayPort Alt Mode (DisplayPort 1.4 compliant)
	– Supports USB Power Delivery
	– Supports power output up to 15 W (5 V, 3 A)
	Note: Data rates and performance ratings are dependent on connected devices and cables if they are used. For DisplayPort connection through a USB Type-C port, the listed maximum output capacity is only available on external displays with a DisplayPort, a Mini DisplayPort, or a USB Type-C port that supports DisplayPort Alternate Mode. For connections using a converter or an adapter, the actual output resolution may be lower.
Security	• Fingerprint reader
	• UEFI/BIOS passwords
	– Administrator password
	– User password
	– Master hard disk password
	– User hard disk password
Network	• Bluetooth and Wi-Fi combo adapter

* for selected models

Statement on USB transfer rate

Depending on many factors such as the processing capability of the host and peripheral devices, file attributes, and other factors related to system configuration and operating environments, the actual transfer rate using the various USB connectors on this device will vary and will be slower than the data rate listed below for each corresponding device.

USB device	Data rate (Gbit/s)
USB 3.2 Gen 2	10

Operating environment

Maximum altitude (without pressurization)

3048 m (10 000 ft)

Temperature

- At altitudes up to 2438 m (8000 ft)

    – Operating: 5°C to 35°C (41°F to 95°F)

    – Storage: 5°C to 43°C (41°F to 109°F)

- At altitudes above 2438 m (8000 ft)

    – Maximum temperature when operating under the unpressurized condition: 31.3°C (88°F)

Note: When you charge the battery, its temperature must be no lower than 10°C (50°F).

Relative humidity

- Operating: 8% to 95% at wet-bulb temperature 23°C (73°F)
- Storage: 5% to 95% at wet-bulb temperature 27°C (81°F)

Multi-modes

The screen of your computer can rotate with the twist hinge, enabling you to use your computer for different purposes.

Mode	Suitable for
Notebook mode	- Giving a presentation and viewing a slide show - Watching movies - Drag and drop operations using the touchpad
Typewriting mode	- Checking and writing e-mails - Typewriting and editing with office apps - Drag and drop operations using the touchpad **Note:** To enable the typewriting mode, rotate the computer screen until the E-ink screen is facing the keyboard. See "Twist hinge" on page 9.

Mode	Suitable for
E-paper mode	• E-book and documents reading
	• Note taking with handwriting recognition
	• Quick sketch and actions
	Note: To enable the E-paper mode, close the computer and choose the Reader Plus app in the pop-up window. See "Reader Plus" on page 11.
Tablet mode	• Playing touch-enabled games
	• Image processing and drawing
	Note: To enable the tablet mode, fold down your computer. See "Twist hinge" on page 9.

Twist hinge

The twist hinge enables you to rotate or fold down the computer screen for different purposes.

To use your computer in typewriting mode, do the following:

1. Open the screen by at least 45 degrees, preferably by 90 degrees.
2. Rotate the screen slowly clockwise until the E-ink is facing the keyboard.

To use your computer in tablet mode, do the following:

1. Open the screen by at least 45 degrees, preferably by 90 degrees.
2. Rotate the screen slowly clockwise until the E-ink screen is facing the keyboard.
3. Close the screen slowly, holding the upper left and right sides with both hands.

E-ink Homepage

Your computer comes with the Eink Plus to set up E-ink Homepage preferences.

Note Plus	Open and set up the Note Plus app. See "Note Plus" on page 10.
Reader Plus	Open and set up the Reader Plus app. See "Reader Plus" on page 11.
Screen switching	Display the content on the OLED screen to the E-ink screen.
Launchpad	Add or delete frequently used apps or widgets.
Settings	Change configurations of the Eink Plus. You can choose to • Change the E-ink themes and wallpaper settings • Add widgets to E-ink Homepage • Change lid-closing settings
Floating button	Enable or disable the floating button function in Settings. When pressing the floating button, you can choose to • Refresh E-ink screen • Rotate the screen • Switch display mode • Switch screens • Put the computer in sleep mode or hibernate mode, or shut down the computer • Return to the homepage

Note Plus

Note Plus is an application that enables you to draw or take notes on the E-ink screen using the Lenovo Digital pen.

Notebooks	View and manage notebooks and notebook groups.
	• All Notebooks: view all notebooks.
	• Recycle Bin: restore or permanently delete notebooks.
	• Manage group: create or rename a group.
Notetip	View and manage all the notetips you created.
Search	Enter a filename or keyword to search for notebooks.
Settings	Change configurations of your notebooks. You can choose to
	• Set up Lock-Screen Notes
	• Enable Character Recognition
Create Notebook	Tap to add a new notebook. Use the Lenovo Digital Pen or your fingers to draw, erase, select, or add texts on the notebook.

Voice Notes

Note Plus supports recording and voice transcription. Tap 🎤 in a notebook or notetip to start recording.

Reader Plus

Reader Plus is an application that enables you to read documents on the E-ink screen and take notes using the Lenovo digital pen.

E-books	View and manage .epub and .mobi books.
Document	View and manage PDF and .txt files.
Search	Enter a filename or keyword to search.
Local import	Choose a document from a local folder and import.
Document group	Create or rename a group.
Settings	Change configurations of the Reader Plus. You can choose to
	• Set a reading timer
	• Change the local path settings

Reading mode

Select an E-book or document and open it. In reading mode, you can

- Tap ▤ to switch between one-page view and two-page view.

- Tap ⚙ to set up preferences for reading mode.

Chapter 2. Get started with your computer

Work with Windows

The following table contains Windows frequently used settings. You can learn the basics and start working with Windows right away.

To configure settings, type the corresponding keywords in the Windows search box and select the best match. Follow the on-screen instructions to customize settings.

Table 1. Basic settings

Functions	Descriptions	Search by keywords
Control Panel	View or change Windows settings, including hardware and software setup and configuration.	Control Panel
Connect to Wi-Fi networks	For models with a wireless LAN module, you can connect your computer to a Wi-Fi network. Click the network icon in the Windows notification area, and then select a network for connection. **Note:** The wireless LAN module on your computer may support different standards. For some countries or regions, use of 802.11ax may be disabled according to local regulations.	Wi-Fi
Connect to wired networks	For models with an RJ45 connector, you can use an Ethernet cable to connect your computer to a wired network.	Ethernet
Airplane mode	Airplane mode is a convenient setting to turn all wireless communications of your computer on and off. You may need to turn it on when boarding an airplane.	Airplane mode
Night light mode	Night light is a switch in Windows that you can turn on and off. When it is turned on, your screen shows warmer colors and the amount of emitted blue light is reduced. Enabling night light reduces the chances of developing eye fatigue or eye strain. **Note:** For more guidance on reducing eye fatigue or eye strain, go to https://www.lenovo.com/us/en/compliance/visual-fatigue.	Night light
Adjust color temperature	If night light mode is turned on, you can adjust the color temperature of the screen. **Note:** Selected Lenovo computers are low blue light certified using night light mode and color temperature settings available in the pre-installed operating system. These computers are tested with night light turned on and color temperature set to 48 or greater.	Night light
Windows Updates	Microsoft periodically releases feature and security updates to the Windows operating system. Updates that are applicable to your Windows version are downloaded automatically when your computer is connected to the Internet. When updates are downloaded, you are prompted to restart the computer to install these updates. You can also manually check if there are available updates for the installed version of Windows. **Attention:** Only use Windows Update to download and install updates. Updates downloaded from other sources may include security risks.	Windows Updates

Table 2. Optional settings

Functions	Descriptions	Search by keywords
Enroll your fingerprint	For models with a fingerprint reader, you can enroll your fingerprint for Windows sign-in.	Sign-in options

Windows help information

If the on-screen instructions cannot solve your problem, refer to the following to get the online Windows help information.

- Type Get Help or Tips in the Windows search box and then press Enter. When the app opens, type the problem description and select the matched result.
- Visit Microsoft support Web site: https://support.microsoft.com. Enter what you are looking for in the search box and get search results.

Lenovo Vantage, Lenovo PC Manager, and Lenovo Smart Engine

They are apps developed by Lenovo. Using one of them, you can:

- View product information and system status
- Manage and change device settings
- Check for and perform system update

    Note: This feature is only available on Lenovo Vantage. In Lenovo PC Manager, you can check for and perform driver update.

Depending on the country or region in which your computer is purchased, one of the apps may be pre-installed on your computer. To open it, type its name in the Windows Search box and select the matched result. If neither of the apps is pre-installed, you may install one on your own. Lenovo Vantage is available for download free of charge from the Microsoft Store.

Note: App features are subject to change with updates and specific features may not be available on all Lenovo products.

The Novo Button menu

The Novo Button menu can be displayed before the operating system starts. From the menu, you can choose to

- Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility
- Open the boot device selection menu
- Open the Windows startup options screen

    Note: From the Windows startup options screen, you can then choose to

        Start your computer using a recovery drive

        Reset your computer

        Open advanced options screen

Open the Novo Button menu

For Lenovo computers with a Novo button, you can press the button to open the Novo Button menu.

Step 1.   Turn off the computer.

Step 2.   Open the LCD screen and press the Novo button.

Note: Alternatively, turn off the computer. Press Fn and the power button to open the Novo Button menu.

Interact with your computer

Lenovo Digital Pen 3

Selected models are equipped with Lenovo Digital Pen 3. The pen is not waterproof. Keep the pen away from water and excessive moisture. To purchase Lenovo Digital Pen 3, go to https://www.lenovo.com/accessories.

Before first use

An insulation pad may be included in the Lenovo Digital Pen 3 to prevent capacity loss during shipping. The first time you use the pen, check and remove the insulation pad.

Check the pen's battery status

Step 1.   Tap the pen tip on the computer screen.

   Note: Always tap the pen tip on the screen before viewing the pen's battery status. Otherwise, the reading as shown in Lenovo Pen Settings is not accurate.

Step 2.   Open Lenovo Pen Settings. A battery icon is displayed in the upper right corner.

Step 3.   Move the mouse pointer on top of the battery icon to view the charge reading.

If the remaining battery power of the pen is low, replace the battery.

Use Lenovo Digital Pen 3

Figure 1. Lenovo Digital Pen 3– overview
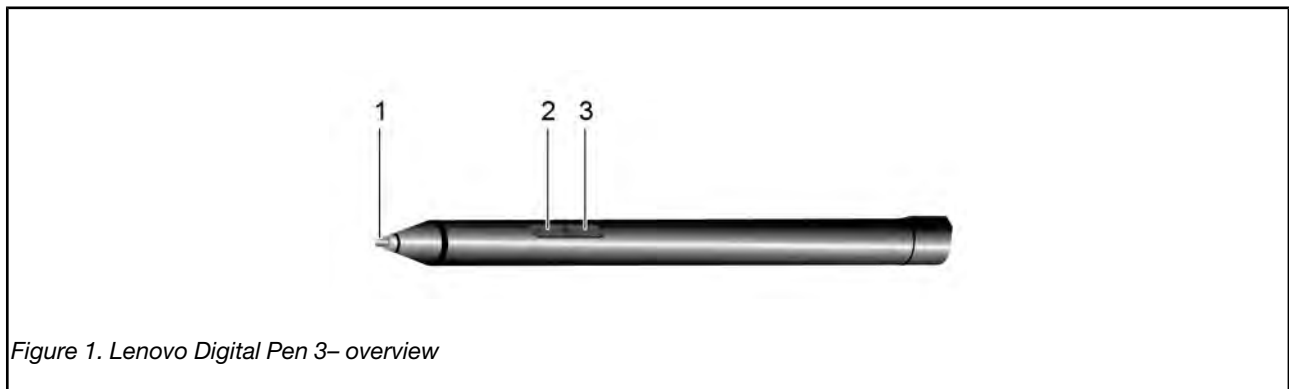
1. Pen tip	2. Bottom button
3. Top button	

Install the AAAA battery

Lenovo Digital Pen 3 uses AAAA battery. The AAAA battery may or may not ship with the pen.

Note: Make sure the positive (+) end of the battery pointing toward the pen tip.

Set Lenovo Digital Pen 3

You can configure the Lenovo Digital Pen 3 settings in Windows Settings and Lenovo Pen Settings.

- Windows Settings: Type Pen & Windows Ink settings in the Windows search box and press Enter.

  Under **Pen & Windows Ink**, you can configure the following settings as desired:

  – Show or hide pen cursor.

  – Set the font size and family for handwriting.

  – Improve handwriting recognition for some languages.

- Lenovo Pen Settings: Enter *Lenovo Pen Settings* in the Windows search box, and then select the matched result to set the pen. From Lenovo Pen Settings, you can configure the following settings as desired:

  – View the battery status of the pen.

  – Change the functions of the pen buttons.

  – Enable or disable near-screen click for pen buttons when the pen tip is placed within 1 cm from the computer screen.

  – Set one pen button as the radial menu and launch a virtual control dial for quickly accessing or managing your daily work.

  – Set the sensitivity of the pen tip.

Note: After you enable the near-screen click function, the pen buttons work as mouse buttons.

Hotkeys

Look at the top row of the keyboard of your Lenovo computer and you'll find keys with printed icons. These keys are called hotkeys and they provide shortcuts to functions that you'll use frequently. The function that each hotkey provides is denoted by the icon printed on the key.

Hotkeys share keys with function keys (F1–F12) and other keys. Depending on the FnLock setting, you use hotkey functions by pressing the key directly or in combination with the Fn key.

Note: The FnLock switch does not apply to hotkeys not found in the first row of the keyboard. To use these hotkeys, always hold down the Fn key while pressing the key.
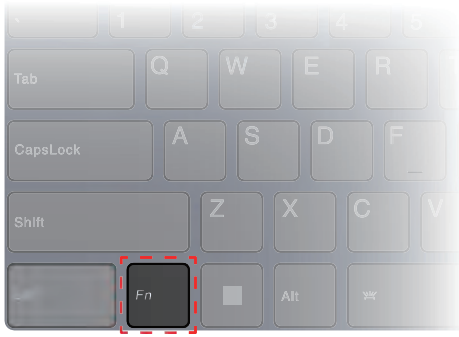
Figure 2. Location of the Fn key

Related topics

Appendix A "Function descriptions for Lenovo hotkeys" on page 37

The FnLock switch

The FnLock is an electronic switch that affects how you use hotkey functions. To turn it on and off, press Fn + Esc.

Note: The Esc key is in the upper left corner of the keyboard. It has an LED that indicates the status of the FnLock switch.
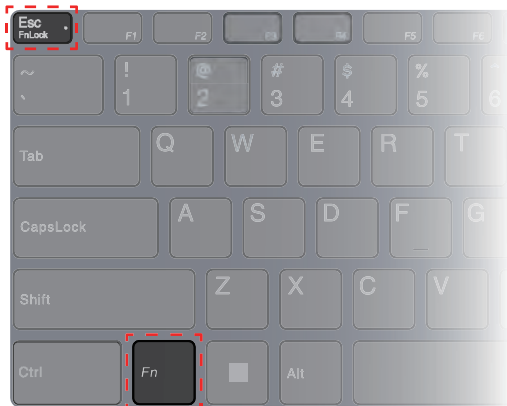

Figure 3. Locations of the FnLock key and the Fn key

A Lenovo keyboard usually contains hotkeys in the top row. These hotkeys share keys with the function keys (F1–F12) and other keys. For these dual-function keys, the icons or characters denoting the primary functions are printed on top of the icons and characters denoting the secondary functions.

- A: an icon or character denoting the primary function
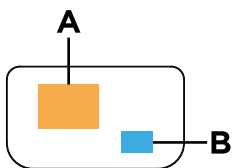- B: an icon or character denoting the secondary function

Figure 4. The layout of a dual-function key

Table 3. FnLock and dual-function keys

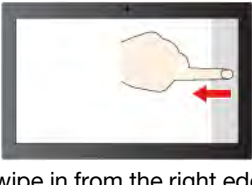| FnLock (Esc) LED	FnLock status	Pressing the hotkey alone	Pressing the hotkey while holding down the Fn key
Off	Disabled	Primary function	Secondary function
On	Enabled	Secondary function	Primary function

Dual-function keys without printed icons

Some dual-function keys share keys with letter keys and numeric keys. Such keys do not have a dedicated printed icon. The following table lists the hidden functions for these keys.

Key combination	Hidden function
Fn + M	Enable/disable the touchpad
Fn + N	Show device information.
Fn + Q	Switch among different operation modes.

Touch operations supported by Windows

For computers with a touch-enabled screen, you can touch the screen directly with your fingers and interact with your computer in a more natural way. The following table lists frequently used touch operations that are supported by the Windows operating system.

Touch operation	Used for
Tap	Opening apps, documents, and other functions on the taskbar or the Start menu
Tap twice quickly	Opening apps that are pinned on the desktop
Tap, hold and lift	Opening the context menu

Touch operation	Used for
Pinch	Zooming out
Spread	Zooming in
Swipe in from the left edge	Opening the widgets panel
Swipe in from the right edge	Opening the notification center

The Windows operating system also supports 3- and 4-finger gestures on the screen and the touchpad. You can set them up in **Settings ➙ Bluetooth & devices**.

Chapter 3. Explore your computer

Intelligent features

Your computer may be pre-installed with one of Lenovo Vantage, Lenovo PC Manager, or Lenovo Smart Engine but not all. Most features described here can be enabled or disabled in one of these apps. Other features may be enabled in a standalone app.

Gesture Controls (Touch screen/Touchpad)

When watching videos in full screen mode, you can conveniently control the volume and adjust the screen brightness through intuitive gestures on the touchpad or touch screen (for selected models).

Super Resolution (for selected models)

By utilizing the capabilities and potentials of Intel processors, Super Resolution helps you play videos with a higher resolution than the original. It works especially well in cases where the source video has a poor resolution.

For most players, Super Resolution can be enabled or disabled in Lenovo Vantage, Lenovo PC Manager, or Lenovo Smart Engine, but for some specific players, you might need to enable this feature manually.

Eye Care Mode

Eye Care Mode intelligently adjusts the color temperature of the screen and can reduce the chances of developing eye fatigue or eye strain.

Smart Noise Cancelling

By filtering the input and output environments, Smart Noise Cancelling helps you reduce noise and optimize the call effect in different scenarios.

Smart Appearance

Smart Appearance helps you blur the background behind you or replace the background with a variety of default and custom choices. You can also beautify the skin and refine your face shape to a preferred level. This setting could be applied to any video communication software you use on this computer.

Manage power

Use the information in this section to achieve the best balance between performance and power efficiency.

Rechargeable battery pack

Your computer includes a built-in, rechargeable battery pack that makes mobile computing a reality. When the computer is plugged into an electrical outlet, the battery charges. If you use the computer when you don't have access to an electrical outlet, the battery discharges to supply electricity that the computer system requires for operation.

You can charge the battery any time you want. The battery packs of Lenovo computers support multiple charging modes that are suitable for different power usage habits. You can switch the battery's active charging mode in Lenovo Vantage, Lenovo PC Manager, or Lenovo Smart Engine.

Battery charging is also affected by its temperature. The recommended temperature range for charging the battery is between 10°C (50°F) and 35°C (95°F).

Note:

You can check the battery temperature in Lenovo Vantage.

To maximize the life of the battery, once the battery is fully charged, it must discharge to 94% or lower before it will be allowed to recharge again.

Normal mode

Normal mode is the most basic charging mode. In normal mode, it typically takes 2 to 4 hours for the battery to charge from 0% to 100%.

Rapid charge mode

If you want the battery to be charged faster than in normal mode, switch the battery charging to rapid charge mode. The following table lists the typical time needed for batteries in rapid charge mode to be charged to 80% and 100% respectively.

Table 4. Reference charge time for batteries in rapid charge mode

Mode	Time needed to charge from 0% to 80%	Time needed to charge from 0% to 100%
Rapid charge	Less than 1 hour	Less than 2 hours

Conservation mode

If your computer is constantly plugged into an electrical outlet, consider switching the battery charging to conservation mode. In conservation mode, the battery will not be fully charged. Instead, the battery's charge will be kept within 75%–80%. This is beneficial to the long-term health of the battery.

Note: If you want the battery to be fully charged before bringing the computer to work, disable conservation mode by switching the battery charging to normal or rapid charge mode.

Recover full battery capacity

If your computer is constantly plugged in to an electrical outlet and the battery rarely discharges, the battery may not be charged to its full capacity even if the battery meter reports 100% charge. You can recover the battery's full charging potential simply by discharging and re-charging the battery.

Step 1. Unplug the computer and use it until the battery charge drops below 20%.

Step 2. Plug in the computer and charge the battery to 100%.

Set power button behavior

By default, pressing the power button puts the computer to sleep mode. However, you can change the power button behavior in Windows Control Panel.

Step 1. Type Control Panel in the Windows search box and then press Enter. Open the control panel and view by large or small icons.

Step 2. Select the power options and then click to choose what the power button does.

A power plan

A power plan is a collection of power-saving settings made available by an operating system. With a power plan, you can set idle time-outs for different hardware components to enter a low-power state. The default

power plan and some of its idle time-out settings are listed below for computer models pre-installed with Windows.

The listed settings are active when the computer is connected to an electrical outlet. If your computer includes a built-in battery pack, a different collection of time-out settings is set to take effect when the computer is operating on battery power.

- Default power plan: Balanced
- Turn off the display: after 5 minutes
- Put the computer to sleep: after 5 minutes

   Note: To wake the computer from the sleep state, press the power button or any key on the keyboard.

Change or customize a power plan
This operation is applicable to computers with pre-installed Windows.

Step 1. Type power plan in the Windows search box and then press Enter.

Step 2. Customize a power plan of your preference.

System operation modes

Lenovo has preset several modes in which your computer can operate. The maximum attainable performance, power consumption, and speed limit for the heat sink fan vary between the operation modes. Consider the following conditions when you want to switch operation modes.

- The environment where you use your computer, and
- The tasks running on your computer

You can switch the operation mode in the pre-installed app Lenovo Vantage, Lenovo Smart Engine, or Lenovo PC Manager. As a shortcut, you can also use the key combination Fn + Q. Three modes are usually available for most Lenovo computers. The following table lists the operation modes and the recommended conditions for each mode.

Note: The operation modes listed in the table are descriptive and may not be the same as those displayed by the app.

Table 5. Operation modes and their recommended usage conditions

Operation mode	Recommended conditions
High Performance	- Your computer is plugged into an electrical outlet. - You want the best performance, and - You don't care if the fan makes a little noise.
Auto (Balance)	You plan to frequently switch between different computer tasks over a period time.
Power Saving (Quiet)	- Your computer is operating on battery power, or - You want the computer to be as quiet as possible.

Note: In Auto (Balanced) mode, the computer dynamically switches between High Performance mode and Power Saving (Quiet) mode depending on the tasks running on the computer.

Change settings in UEFI/BIOS setup utility

This section introduces what is UEFI/BIOS and the operations you can perform in its setup utility.

What is UEFI/BIOS setup utility

UEFI/BIOS is the first program that runs when a computer starts. UEFI/BIOS initializes hardware components and loads the operating system and other programs. Your computer may include a setup program (setup utility) with which you can change certain UEFI/BIOS settings.

Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility

Step 1.   Turn on or restart the computer.

Step 2.   When the Lenovo logo appears on the screen, press F2 repeatedly.

> **Note:** For computers with hotkey mode enabled, press Fn + F2.

Select boot devices

Normally, the computer starts to a boot manager loaded from the secondary storage device of the computer. Occasionally, you may need to start the computer to a program or boot manager loaded from another device or a network location. After the system firmware initializes all devices, you can press an interruption key to display the boot menu and select a desired boot device.

Step 1.   Turn on or restart the computer.

Step 2.   Press F12.

Step 3.   From the boot device menu, select a boot device to start the computer.

You can make a permanent change on boot devices in the UEFI/BIOS setup utility. Select the **Boot** menu; in the **EFI** section, select the desired boot device and move it to the top of the device list. Save changes and exit the setup utility for the change to take effect.

Change hotkey mode

Step 1.   Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility.

Step 2.   Select **Configuration ➙ Hotkey Mode** and press Enter.

Step 3.   Change the setting to **Disabled** or **Enabled**.

Step 4.   Select **Exit ➙ Exit Saving Changes**.

Enable or disable always-on

For some Lenovo computers with always-on connectors, the always-on function can be enabled or disabled in the UEFI/BIOS setup utility.

Step 1.   Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility.

Step 2.   Select **Configuration ➙ Always On USB** and press Enter.

Step 3.   Change the setting to **Disabled** or **Enabled**.

Step 4.   Select **Exit ➙ Exit Saving Changes**.

Set passwords in UEFI/BIOS setup utility

This section introduces the types of passwords that you can set in the UEFI (Unified Extensible Firmware Interface) or BIOS (Basic Input/Output System) setup utility.

Password types

You can set various types of passwords in the UEFI/BIOS setup utility.

Password type	Pre-requisite	Usage
Administrator password	No	You must enter it to start the setup utility.
User password	The administrator password must be set.	You can use the user password to start the setup utility.
Master hard disk password	No	You must enter it to start the operating system.
User hard disk password	The master hard disk password must be set.	You can use the user hard disk password to start the operating system.

Notes:

- All passwords set in the setup utility consist of alphanumeric characters only.
- If you start the setup utility using the user password, you can only change a few settings.

Set administrator password

You set the administrator password to prevent unauthorized access to the UEFI/BIOS setup utility.

Attention: If you forget the administrator password, a Lenovo authorized service personnel cannot reset your password. You must take your computer to a Lenovo authorized service personnel to have the system board replaced. Proof of purchase is required and a fee will be charged for parts and service.

Step 1.   Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility.

Step 2.   Select **Security ➙ Set Administrator Password** and press Enter.

Step 3.   Enter a password string that contains only letters and numbers and then press Enter.

Step 4.   Enter the password again and press Enter.

Step 5.   Select **Exit ➙ Exit Saving Changes**.

Next time you start the computer, you must enter the administrator password to open the setup utility. If **Power on Password** is enabled, you must enter the administrator password or the user password to start the computer.

Change or remove administrator password

Only the administrator can change or remove the administrator password.

Step 1.   Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility using the administrator password.

Step 2.   Select **Security ➙ Set Administrator Password** and press Enter.

Step 3.   Enter the current password.

Step 4.   In the **Enter New Password** text box, enter the new password.

Step 5.   In the **Confirm New Password** text box, enter the new password again.

   Note: If you want to remove the password, press Enter in both text boxes without entering any character.

Step 6.   Select **Exit ➙ Exit Saving Changes**.

If you remove the administrator password, the user password is also removed.

Set user password

You must set the administrator password before you can set the user password.

The administrator of the setup utility might need to set a user password for use by others.

Step 1.   Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility using the administrator password.

Step 2.   Select **Security ➙ Set User Password** and press Enter.

Step 3.   Enter a password string that contains only letters and numbers and then press Enter.
The user password must be different from the administrator password.

Step 4.   Enter the password again and press Enter.

Step 5.   Select **Exit ➙ Exit Saving Changes**.

Enable power-on password

If the administrator password has been set, you can enable power-on password to enforce greater security.

Step 1.   Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility.

Step 2.   Select **Security ➙ Power on Password** and press Enter.

Note: The administrator password must be set in advance.

Step 3.   Change the setting to **Enabled**.

Step 4.   Select **Exit ➙ Exit Saving Changes**.

If power-on password is enabled, a prompt appears on the screen every time you turn on the computer. You must enter the administrator or user password to start the computer.

Set hard disk password

You can set a hard disk password in the setup utility to prevent unauthorized access to your data.

Attention: Be extremely careful when setting a hard disk password. If you forget the hard disk password, a Lenovo authorized service personnel cannot reset your password or recover data from the hard disk. You must take your computer to a Lenovo authorized service personnel to have the hard disk drive replaced. Proof of purchase is required and a fee will be charged for parts and service.

Step 1.   Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility using the administrator password.

Step 2.   Select **Security ➙ Set Hard Disk Password** and press Enter.

Note: If you start the setup utility using the user password, you cannot set hard disk password.

Step 3.   Follow on-screen instructions to set both master and user hard disk passwords.

Note: The master and user hard disk passwords must be set at the same time.

Step 4.   Select **Exit ➙ Exit Saving Changes**.

If the hard disk password is set, you must provide the correct password to start the operating system.

Change or remove hard disk password

Step 1.   Open the UEFI/BIOS setup utility.

Step 2.   Select **Security**.

Step 3.   Change or remove the hard disk password.

To change or remove master password, select **Change Master Password** and press Enter.

Note: If you remove the master hard disk password, the user hard disk password is also removed.

To change user hard disk password, select **Change User Password** and press Enter.

Note: The user hard disk password cannot be removed separately.

Step 4.   Select **Exit ➙ Exit Saving Changes**.

Chapter 4. Accessories

Depending on the model, your computer might not come with certain accessories.

ThinkBook USB-C Micro Hub

Setup instructions

Step 1.   Connect ThinkBook USB-C Micro Hub to the multi-purpose USB type-c connector on your compatible computer.

Step 2.   You can connect display devices to the High-Definition Multimedia Interface (HDMI) connector on the hub. You can also connect a USB-A compatible device to the USB-A connector on the hub.

important information

- The hub is only supported by Microsoft® Windows® 10.

- For the list of compatible computers and the latest firmware, go to https://support.lenovo.com/accessories/usb_c_3in1_hub.

- To play HDCP (High-bandwidth Digital Content Protection)-encrypted videos on an external display, connect the display to the HDMI connector.

Supported maximum resolutions

- When connected to one external display:

    - HDMI video output: 3840 x 2160 pixels / 30 Hz

    - VGA video output: 1920 x 1080 pixels / 60 Hz

- When connected to two external displays:

    - HDMI video output: 1920 x 1080 pixels / 60 Hz

    - VGA video output: 1920 x 1080 pixels / 60 Hz

Chapter 5. Help and support

Frequently asked questions

How do I partition my storage drive

Refer to https://support.lenovo.com/solutions/ht503851.

What should I do if my computer stops responding

Press and hold the power button until the computer turns off. Then restart the computer.

What should I do if I spill liquid on the computer

1. Carefully unplug the ac power adapter and turn off the computer immediately. The more quickly you stop the current from passing through the computer the more likely you will reduce damage from short circuits.

   Attention: Although you might lose some data or work by turning off the computer immediately, leaving the computer on might make your computer unusable.

2. Wait until you are certain that all the liquid is dry before turning on your computer.

   CAUTION:
   Do not try to drain out the liquid by turning over the computer. If your computer has keyboard drainage holes on the bottom, the liquid will be drained out through the holes.

Where can I get the latest device drivers and UEFI/BIOS

- Lenovo Vantage, Lenovo PC Manager, or Lenovo Smart Engine
- Lenovo Support Web site at https://support.lenovo.com.

Why does my screen brightness change constantly

Your computer may include an ambient light sensor and the adaptive brightness feature is enabled. The light sensor can detect the intensity of the surrounding light. Using data provided by the sensor, the operating system can dynamically adjust the screen brightness.

The adaptive brightness feature of the operating system can be disabled. For Windows operating systems, adaptive brightness settings are usually found in **Settings** ➙ **System** ➙ **Display**.

Self-help resources

Use the following self-help resources to learn more about the computer and troubleshoot problems.

Resources	How to access?
Troubleshooting and frequently asked questions	• https://www.lenovo.com/tips • https://forums.lenovo.com
Accessibility information	https://www.lenovo.com/accessibility

Resources	How to access?

Reset or restore Windows	• Use Lenovo recovery options.
	  1. Go to https://support.lenovo.com/ HowToCreateLenovoRecovery.
	  2. Follow the on-screen instructions.
	• Use Windows recovery options.
	  1. Go to https://pcsupport.lenovo.com.
	  2. Detect your computer or manually select your computer model.
	  3. Click **Troubleshoot & Diagnose → Custom Troubleshooting → Operating System Diagnostics** and then follow the on-screen instructions.

Use Lenovo Vantage, Lenovo PC Manager, or Lenovo Smart Engine to: • Download and install the latest drivers and firmware. • Configure hardware settings. • Diagnose computer hardware problems. • Check the computer warranty status.	Use Windows Search.
Product documentation: • *Generic Safety and Compliance Notices* • *Safety and Warranty Guide* • *Setup Guide* • This *User Guide* • *Regulatory Notice*	1. Go to https://support.lenovo.com. 2. Detect your computer or select computer model manually. 3. Select **Documentation** and filter out the documentation you want.
Lenovo Support Web site with the latest support information of the following: • Drivers and software • Diagnostic solutions • Product and service warranty • Product and parts details • Knowledge base and frequently asked questions	Visit https://support.lenovo.com.
Windows help information	• Use **Get Help** or **Tips**. • Use Windows Search or the Cortana® personal assistant. • Microsoft support Web site: https://support.microsoft.com

What is a CRU?

Customer replaceable units (CRUs) are parts that can be replaced by the customer. A Lenovo computer may contain the following types of CRUs:

Self-service CRU		Parts that can be replaced easily by customer themselves or by trained service technicians at an additional cost.
Optional-service CRU		Parts that can be replaced by customers with a greater skill level. Trained service technicians can also provide service to replace the parts under the type of warranty designated for the customer's machine.

If you intend to install a CRU, Lenovo will ship the CRU to you. You might be required to return the defective part that is replaced by the CRU. When return is required: (1) return instructions, a prepaid shipping label, and a container will be included with the replacement CRU; and (2) you might be charged for the replacement CRU if Lenovo does not receive the defective CRU within thirty (30) days of your receipt of the replacement CRU. For full details, see the *Lenovo Limited Warranty* at https://www.lenovo.com/warranty/llw_02.

CRUs for your product model

The table below lists the CRUs and CRU types that are defined for your product model.

Part	Self-service CRU	Optional-service CRU
Power cord	X	
ac power adapter	X	
Lenovo Integrated Pen	X	
ThinkBook Plus USB-C Micro Hub	X	

Notes:

- CRU replacement instruction is provided in one or more of the following publications and are available from Lenovo at any time upon your request.

    the product *User Guide*

    the printed publications that come with the product

- Replacement of any parts not listed above, including the built-in rechargeable battery, must be done by a Lenovo-authorized repair facility or technician. Go to https://support.lenovo.com/partnerlocation for more information.

Call Lenovo

If you have tried to correct the problem yourself and still need help, you can call Lenovo Customer Support Center.

Before you contact Lenovo

Record product information and problem details before you contact Lenovo.

Product information	Problem symptoms and details
• Product name • Machine type and serial number	• What is the problem? Is it continuous or intermittent? • Any error message or error code? • What operating system are you using? Which version? • Which software applications were running at the time of the problem? • Can the problem be reproduced? If so, how?

Note: The product name and serial number can usually be found on the bottom of the computer, either printed on a label or etched on the cover.

Lenovo Customer Support Center

During the warranty period, you can call Lenovo Customer Support Center for help.

Telephone numbers

For a list of the Lenovo Support phone numbers for your country or region, go to https://pcsupport.lenovo.com/supportphonelist.

Note: Phone numbers are subject to change without notice. If the number for your country or region is not provided, contact your Lenovo reseller or Lenovo marketing representative.

Services available during the warranty period

• Problem determination - Trained personnel are available to assist you with determining if you have a hardware problem and deciding what action is necessary to fix the problem.

• Lenovo hardware repair - If the problem is determined to be caused by Lenovo hardware under warranty, trained service personnel are available to provide the applicable level of service.

• Engineering change management - Occasionally, there might be changes that are required after a product has been sold. Lenovo or your reseller, if authorized by Lenovo, will make selected Engineering Changes (ECs) that apply to your hardware available.

Services not covered

• Replacement or use of parts not manufactured for or by Lenovo or nonwarranted parts
• Identification of software problem sources
• Configuration of UEFI/BIOS as part of an installation or upgrade
• Changes, modifications, or upgrades to device drivers
• Installation and maintenance of network operating systems (NOS)
• Installation and maintenance of programs

For the terms and conditions of the Lenovo Limited Warranty that apply to your Lenovo hardware product, see "Warranty information" in the *Safety and Warranty Guide* that comes with your computer.

Purchase additional services

During and after the warranty period, you can purchase additional services from Lenovo at https://pcsupport.lenovo.com/warrantyupgrade.

Service availability and service name might vary by country or region.

Appendix A.   Function descriptions for Lenovo hotkeys

Hotkey functions are denoted by the icons printed on the keys. The following table describes the functions for all Lenovo hotkeys. The keyboard of your Lenovo computer should only support a subset of the listed hotkeys.

Table 6. Hotkey icons and denoted functions

Hotkey icon	Function description
🔇	Mutes/Unmutes sound.
🔊+	Increases volume.
🔊−	Decreases volume.
✖	Enables/Disables the microphone.
☀+	Increases screen brightness.
☀−	Decreases screen brightness.
▱|▰	Selects and sets up display devices.
✈	Enables/Disables airplane mode. (Windows operating systems)
✫	Switch the computer screen.
⊠	Enables/Disables the touchpad.
▭▭▭	Displays all open apps as thumbnails. (Windows operating systems)
🖩	Opens the Calculator app. (Windows operating systems)
✂	Opens the Snipping tool. (Windows operating systems)
⚙	Opens the Settings app. (Windows operating systems)
🔒	Locks the screen. (Windows operating systems)
📋	Opens the clipboard history. (Windows operating systems)
☾	Puts the computer to sleep.
▤	Opens the context menu of the current active app.
🎙	Opens an associated voice app, voice service, or Microsoft Cortana.
⌞	Adjusts the keyboard backlight.
⌞+	Increases the brightness of the keyboard backlight.
⌞−	Decreases the brightness of the keyboard backlight.
📞	Answers an incoming Microsoft Teams call.
☎	Rejects an incoming Microsoft Teams call.
☺	Accesses Lenovo Support resources.
▶/❚❚	Starts/Pauses audio or video playback.
■	Stops audio or video playback.
⏮	Plays the previous audio or video in the playlist.

Table 6. Hotkey icons and denoted functions (continued)

Hotkey icon	Function description
▶▶❘	Plays the next audio or video in the playlist.
⌒	Switches the computer's active operation mode.
▮	Blurs the background for videoconferencing.
🔊	Switches the computer's active audio mode.
☀	Turns on/off night light mode. (Windows operating systems)

Note: Hotkey functions may change if the associated app or the Windows operating system is updated.

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