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About This Guide

This guide is designed to help you learn to use, manage, troubleshoot, and upgrade your SGI 2200 deskside server. This document is organized as follows:

Chapter 1, "Introducing the SGI 2200 Server," describes the system and its capabilities and contrasts them with other server technology. A brief overview of the system's compute and interface capabilities is provided.

Chapter 2, "Chassis Tour," describes all of the system components and reviews all of the controls, indicators, and connectors.

Chapter 3, "Basic Operating Procedures," reviews hardware-specific operating components and procedures. The chapter covers booting the system, graceful shutdown, and proper use of optional console terminals.

Chapter 4, "SGI 2200 Interface and Cabling Information," covers the use of Ethernet, serial, and external SCSI interfaces. The chapter also describes optional types of connections that make the system operational.

Chapter 5, "Installing and Replacing Customer-Replaceable Units," describes installation and replacement procedures for disk, CD-ROM, and System Controller assemblies. Includes basic information on external peripherals.

Chapter 6, "Using the Module System Controller," describes the basic System Controller and interface panel used with the deskside server.

Chapter 7, "Basic Troubleshooting," offers information on tracking down and fixing simple problems.

Start at the beginning to familiarize yourself with the features of your new system, or proceed directly to the information you need using the table of contents as your guide.

Additional software-specific information is found in the following software guides:

- Personal System Administration Guide
- IRIX Admin: System Configuration and Operation
- IRIX Admin: Software Installation and Licensing

Finding Additional Information

The SGI 2200 Server Owner's Guide covers many basic and useful topics that are necessary for setting up, operating, and maintaining your deskside system. The following sections and illustrations describe multiple sources of information that you may find helpful or vital to your work with the SGI 2200 (see Figure i).

Read the *SGI 2200 Server Owner's Guide* (this book) whenever you need help with the basic hardware aspects of your system. The system and the procedures in this guide are designed to help you maintain the system without the help of a trained technician. However, do not feel that you must work with the hardware yourself. You can always contact your maintenance provider to have an authorized service provider work with the hardware instead.



Figure i Deskside System Owner's Guide

Figure ii illustrates various sources of information available for using the SGI 2200 server.

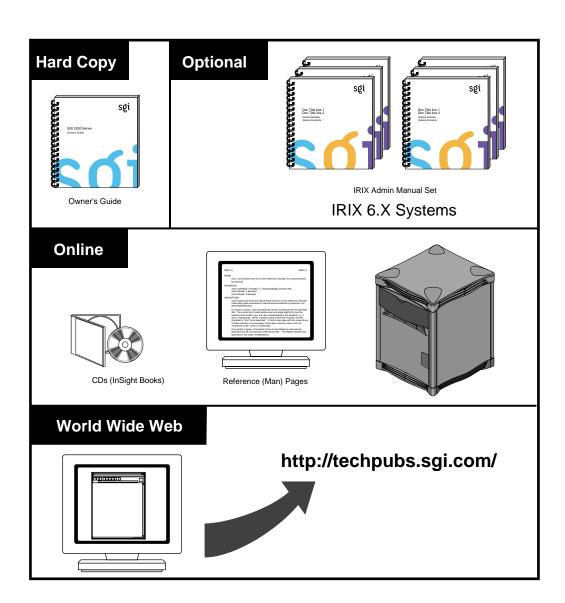


Figure ii Information Sources for the SGI 2200 Server

Online Man Pages

Your deskside system comes with a set of IRIX man pages, formatted in the standard UNIX man page style. These are found online on the internal system disk, (or CD-ROM) and are displayed using the *man* command. For example, to display the man page for the *Add_disk* command, enter the following command at a shell prompt:

man Add_disk

Important system configuration files as well as commands are documented on man pages. References in the documentation to these man pages include the name of the command and the section number in which the command is found. For example, "Add_disk(1)" refers to the *Add_disk* command and indicates that it is found in section 1 of the IRIX reference.

For additional information about displaying man pages using the *man* command, see man(1).

In addition, the *apropos* command locates man pages based on keywords. For example, to display a list of man pages that describe disks, enter the following command at a shell prompt:

apropos disk

For information about setting up and using *apropos*, see apropos(1) and makewhatis(1M).

Release Notes

You can view the release notes for a variety of SGI products and software subsystems using one of two utilities:

relnotes Text-based viewer for online release notes.

grelnotes Graphical viewer for online release notes.

To see a list of available Release Notes, type the following at a shell prompt:

relnotes

For more information, see the relnotes(1) and grelnotes(1) man pages.

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SGI makes its manuals available in a variety of formats via the World Wide Web (WWW). Using your Web browser, open the following URL:

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Enter a keyword search, or search by title to find the information or manual you need.

Conventions

The SGI 2200 Server Owner's Guide uses these conventions:

- References to documents are in *italics*.
- References to other chapters and sections within this guide are in quotation marks.
- Names of commands that you type at the shell prompt are in *italics* as are IRIX filenames.
- Steps to perform tasks are in numbered sentences. When a numbered step needs more explanation, the explanation follows the step.

Introducing the SGI 2200 Server

The SGI 2200 server system, model CMN A015, is a scalable, high-performance server in a compact deskside enclosure. This guide contains end-user hardware information about the system.

System Features

The SGI 2200 server comes with one to four combined CPU and memory boards called "Node boards." Each Node board uses one or two 64-bit CPU microprocessors. The basic SGI 2200 server uses one 64-bit CPU and the system can use up to eight when fully configured.

The following standard features come with every SGI 2200 server:

- One (CPU and memory) Node board with one or two 64-bit microprocessors.
- Slots for up to 12 optional XIO boards. Note that the SGI 2200 server does not come with any VME slots.
- An independent system status monitor (System Controller) that records error information during any unplanned shutdown.
- Spaces for up to five half-height single-connector assembly (SCA) SCSI disk drives, plus a 5.25-inch internal drive bay that supports a CD-ROM drive.
- A minimum of 64 MB of RAM on each system Node board installed.

Available options include:

- additional Node boards (up to four per system)
- additional hard disk drives
- a system console ASCII terminal
- memory upgrades

- XIO boards providing additional I/O, mass storage connections, and graphics capabilities
- a three-board optional peripheral component interconnect (PCI) internal adaptor that connects to the XIO slot directly below the BaseIO board (each of the three PCI slots in the adaptor supports a 25 watt PCI board)

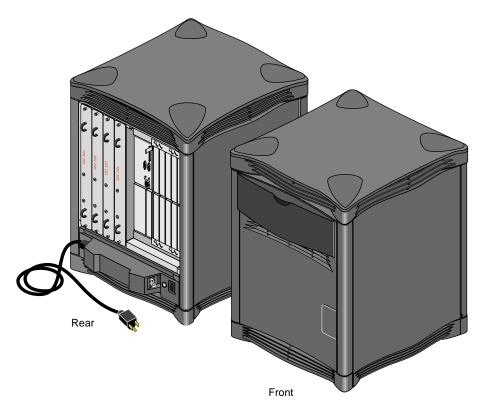


Figure 1-1 The SGI 2200 Server

The SGI 2200 server is the exact size and architecture as the Origin 2000 deskside system. However, internal microprocessor features and speeds are different.

SGI 2200 Server Functional Overview

The SGI 2200 server is a symmetric multiprocessing system that uses a distributed shared-memory architecture called S2MP Architecture. This is a revolutionary (rather than evolutionary) technology step for SGI servers.

Linked Microprocessors

The Node boards within the SGI 2200 server use links that differ from bus technology. While a bus is a resource that can be used only by one processor at a time, the communications "fabric" in the SGI 2200 makes connections from processor to processor as they are needed. Each Node board contains either one or two processors, a portion of main memory, a directory to maintain cache coherence, and two interfaces:

- The first interface connects to multiple I/O devices.
- The second interface connects to other Node boards through the S2MP interconnect.

This web of connections differs from a bus in the same way that multiple dimensions differ from a single dimension. You could describe a bus as a one-dimensional line while the SGI 2200 uses a multi-dimensional mesh.

The multiple data paths used are constructed as they are needed by router ASICs, which act as switches. As you add Node boards, you add to and scale the system bandwidth.

S2MP Architecture and Memory

Main memory on each Node board in the system can be distributed and shared amongst the system microprocessors. This shared memory is accessible to all the 64-bit CPU processors through the S2MP interconnection fabric and can be accessed with low latency.

Each Node board added to the deskside system is another independent memory source, and each Node board is capable of optionally supporting up to 4 GB of memory. A directory memory keeps track of information necessary for hardware coherency and protection.

Each Node board uses a "Hub" ASIC that is the distributed shared-memory controller. It is responsible for providing all of the processors and I/O devices with transparent access

to all of distributed memory in a cache-coherent manner. Cache coherence is the ability to keep data consistent throughout a system. In the SGI 2200 system, data can be copied and shared amongst all the processors and their caches. Moving data into a cache may cause the cached copy to become inconsistent with the same data stored elsewhere. The SGI 2200 cache coherence protocol is designed to keep data consistent and to disperse the most-recent version of data to wherever it is being used.

Although memory is physically dispersed across the system Node boards, special page migration hardware moves data into memory closer to a processor that frequently uses it. This page migration scheme reduces memory latency — the time it takes to retrieve data from memory. Although main memory is distributed, it is universally accessible and shared between all the processors in the system. Similarly, I/O devices are distributed among the Nodes, and each device is accessible to every processor in the system.

The Node Boards

The SGI 2200 server's microprocessor "brains" and primary memory are located on a processor board called a Node board. Each Node board (up to four maximum) in the SGI 2200 can house one or two 64-bit microprocessors. Each 3.45-V CPU uses a customized two-way interleaved data cache, and has dedicated second-level cache support.

A high-performance bus interface links each CPU processor directly with supporting SRAM. The Node board's main memory slots can be populated with 32-MB or 64-MB memory modules. See Figure 1-2 for an example Node board illustration.

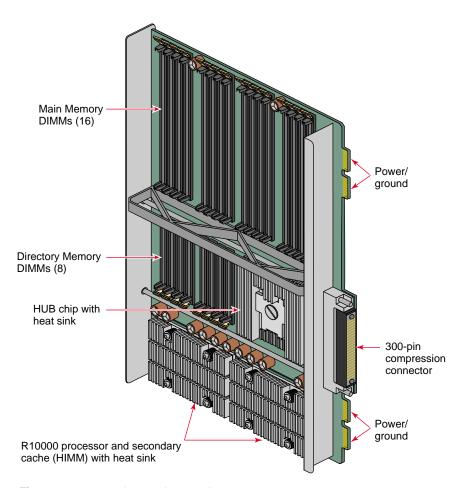


Figure 1-2 Node Board Example

Note that directory memory is used only in large-scale rackmounted systems; there is no reason to use directory memory in a deskside system.

The I/O Subsystem

The standard I/O subsystem consists of a base I/O board assembly (BaseIO) that supports

- two nine-pin serial ports (selectable for RS-232 or RS-422 operation)
- a 100-Mb per second (100 Base-T) Ethernet connection
- a 68-pin single-ended Ultra SCSI and SCSI-2 compatible connector

Additional I/O connection capabilities are available with optional XIO boards or by ordering an expanded version of the BaseIO.

About the XIO Boards

XIO boards give the SGI 2200 deskside system a wide range of optional interfaces in a manner similar to older VME interfaces. Optional XIO boards can support interfaces such as:

- PCI
- Fibre Channel
- HIPPI
- Ultra (FAST-20) SCSI and SCSI-2
- ATM
- Ethernet

Check with your SGI sales or support representative for information on these or other optional interfaces available on XIO boards.

The System Midplane

The SGI 2200 server enclosure uses a midplane rather than a backplane like those used in some previous SGI deskside systems. This means that boards, disk drives, and other devices can plug into both sides of the system.

Module System Controller

Located between the disk drive slots and the optional CD-ROM drive bay is the module System Controller (MSC). The MSC is a microprocessor-controlled subsystem that is mounted directly to the system midplane by way of an extender board. It monitors various system operations, including chassis temperature, system fan speed, midplane voltage levels, and the system clock.

When any operating parameter exceeds or drops past a specified limit, the MSC executes a controlled shutdown of the deskside system. For details on using the MSC, see Chapter 6 in this document.

Internal Drives

Each SGI 2200 comes standard with a system disk installed in drive bay one (next to the MSC). Four additional internal hard drives may be installed.

The CD-ROM drive is installed directly to the left of the MSC. Note that single-ended ultra SCSI and SCSI-2 drives are the only internal devices supported by the SGI 2200 deskside system.

System Location and Environment

This section covers the basic requirements for physical location to ensure proper chassis operation.

The deskside chassis is designed to fit into a typical work environment. Take care to maintain the following operating conditions:

- The chassis should be kept in a clean, dust-free location to reduce maintenance problems.
- The available power should be rated for computer operation.

- The chassis should be protected from harsh environments that produce excessive vibration, heat, and similar conditions.
- The chassis should ideally have a 6-inch (15-cm) minimum air clearance above the top. The first line of Table 1-1 shows the side clearances required if the chassis is positioned under a desk or other equipment and the top air clearance is less than 6 inches (15 cm). The side air clearances should always be at least as great as those listed on the second line of Table 1-1.

 Table 1-1
 Air Clearance Requirements for the Deskside System

| Top Clearance | Left Side | Right Side | Front | Back |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| 6" (15 cm) or less | 6" (15 cm) | 6" (25 cm) | 8" (20 cm) | 8" (20 cm) |
| More than 6" (15 cm) | 1" (2.5 cm) | 1" (2.5 cm) | 6" (15 cm) | 6" (15 cm) |

For more information on system specifications, see Table 2-1 in Chapter 2.

If you have additional questions concerning physical location or site preparation, see you system's *Site Preparation* manual. If you are unable to find the information you need, contact your SGI System Support Engineer (SSE) or other authorized support organization representative.

Chassis Tour

This chapter is intended to familiarize you with the physical, electrical, and mechanical aspects of the SGI 2200 server. Standard controls and connectors are described and illustrated along with major components that go in the SGI 2200 chassis. The SGI 2200 server houses all boards, drives, and other components in a single, upright enclosure. With its small physical dimensions and quiet operation, the chassis fits into a lab, server room, or a normal office environment.

Commonly used optional components are also shown and discussed in this chapter.

System Physical Description

The SGI 2200 server is a compact, high-performance system that easily fits in most office environments.

The unit weighs a minimum of 120 pounds. (54.5 kg) but is easily moved about on its four rollers. When fully loaded the system could weigh as much as 170 pounds. (77.3 kg). Never attempt to lift the unit without the assistance of other people.

Table 2-1 provides the basic physical specifications for the system.

See the system's Site Preparation manual for additional environmental information.

Table 2-1 SGI 2200 Server Physical Specifications

| Parameter | | Specifications |
|------------------|---|--|
| Dimensions | | |
| installed: | height width depth | 26.5" (67.3 cm) 20" (50.8 cm) 24" (61 cm) |
| Weight | minimum maximum shipping (max.) | 120 lbs (54.5 kg) 170 lbs (77.3 kg) 190 lbs (86.4 kg) |
| Floor Loading: | minimum maximum | 36 lb/ft ² (175 kg/m ²) 51 lb/ft ² (250 kg/m ²) |
| Air Temperature: | operating (< 5000 ft) operating (> 5000 ft) non-operating | 41° to 95° F (5° to 35° C) 41° to 86° F (5° to 30° C) –15° to 107° F (–20° to 60° C) |
| Altitude: | operating non-operating | 10,000 ft (3,048 m) MSL, maximum 40,000 ft (12,192 m) MSL, maximum |
| Humidity: | operating non-operating | 10% - 90% (non-condensing) 10% - 95% (non-condensing) |
| Acoustics: | typical | 50 dBa |

Figure 2-1 shows the server chassis and some of its major components.

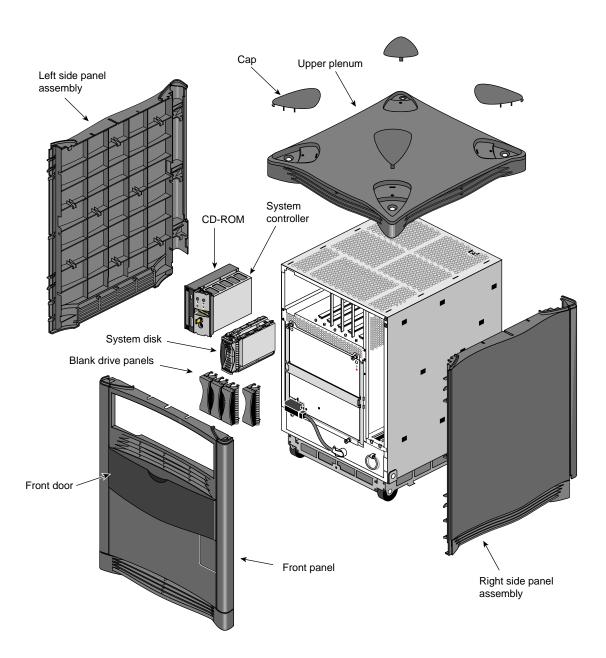


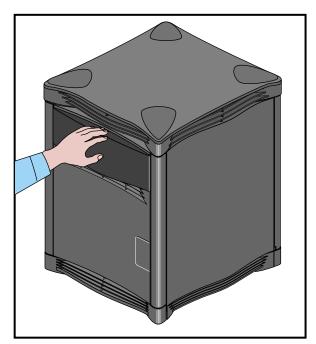
Figure 2-1 Deskside System Components

Components and Controls on the Front of the System

The front of your SGI 2200 system has a number of controls and components that you should be familiar with. The system's removable media drive bay, Module System Controller (MSC), and hard disk drive bays are all accessible by opening the sliding front plastic cover (door).

Open the front sliding door panel by pushing it down until it catches (see Figure 2-2).

The removable media bay and MSC front panel are next to each other in the upper left corner of the deskside system. Figure 2-3 shows the location of each of these units.



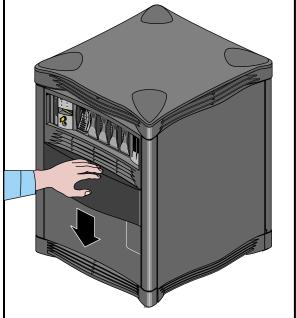


Figure 2-2 Opening the Front of the SGI 2200 Server

The MSC is located between the disk drive bays and the CD-ROM drive bay. The MSC is a microprocessor-controlled subsystem that is mounted directly to the system midplane by way of an "extender" board. It monitors various system operations, including ambient temperature, system fan speed, midplane voltage levels, and the system clock.

When any operating parameter exceeds or drops past a specified limit, the executes a controlled MSC shutdown of the deskside system. During such a shutdown procedure, the controller maintains a log with the last error message(s) received before the shutdown.

For information on using the MSC, see Chapter 6 in this document.

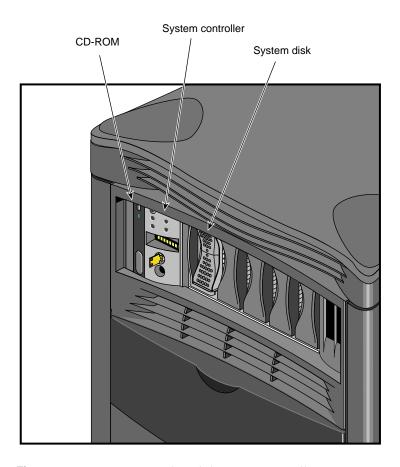


Figure 2-3 CD-ROM and Module System Controller

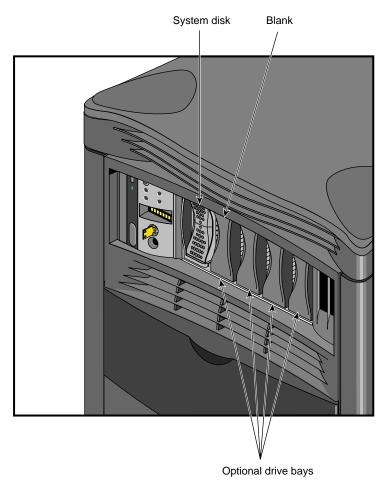


Figure 2-4 System Disk and Optional Drive Bays

Components and Controls on the Rear of the System

The rear of the system houses the following components:

- The system Node board(s). See Figure 2-5.
- The power connector and system power switch.
- The BaseIO system interface panel.
- Slots and carriers for optional PCI and XIO interface boards.

Power Connector and Switch

The system's main power connector is located on the lower left side of the chassis. The main system power switch is located opposite it on the lower right side.

System power is on when the switch is up and off when it is down.

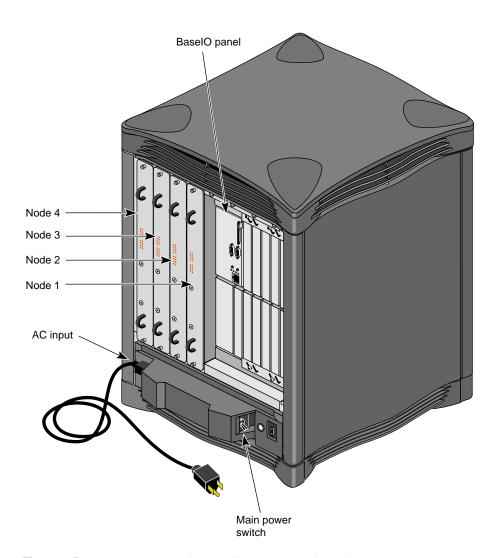


Figure 2-5 Component and Control Locations on the Back

System Node Board Locations

The system Node board slots are located in the left side on the rear of the chassis. The first Node board is always installed in the right-hand slot. See "System Configuration Guidelines" on page 21 for information on how the Node boards are used in conjunction with other system components.

Node Board LEDs

On the back of each Node board are a total of 18 LEDs (see Figure 2-6 for an example). Two red LEDs are located near the top of the board and a set of 16 yellow ones are located near the middle of the board.

The two LEDs near the top of the board should light only when there is a voltage inconsistency or problem on the Node board. If these LEDs light up frequently, the board may need service. If all the top LEDs on all the Node boards in the system light up, it indicates a system-wide power problem. In this case, call your service representative for assistance.

The LEDs grouped near the middle of the board are divided into two vertical sets of eight LEDs (16 total). Each vertical set of eight LEDs represents one of the 64-bit microprocessors installed on the Node board. When only one microprocessor is installed, you can expect to see LED activity on only one vertical set of LEDs.

As a general rule, the bottom LED should always show some activity while the system is powered on. The bottom LED serves as a kind of "heartbeat" that indicates the processor is alive, even if the system is not generally active.

The other seven LEDs light up as the processes that the CPU runs increase. The more work the processor is doing, the more LED activity you see on the back of the Node board.

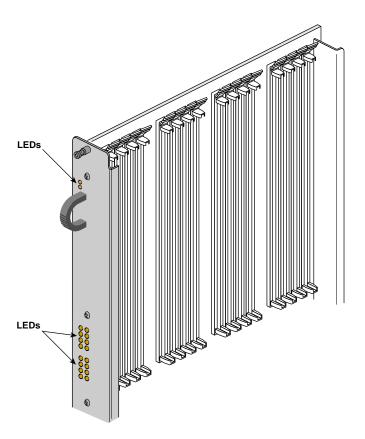


Figure 2-6 Node Board LEDs

System Midplane

The SGI 2200 server enclosure uses a midplane rather than a backplane like those used in some previous SGI deskside systems. This means that boards, disk drives, and other devices can plug into both sides of the system. This allows for maximum functionality and expansion in a compact deskside unit. Figure 2-7 shows a front view of the midplane, while Figure 2-8 shows a rear view.

Single-ended ultra SCSI and SCSI-2 drives are the only devices internally supported by the SGI 2200 server.

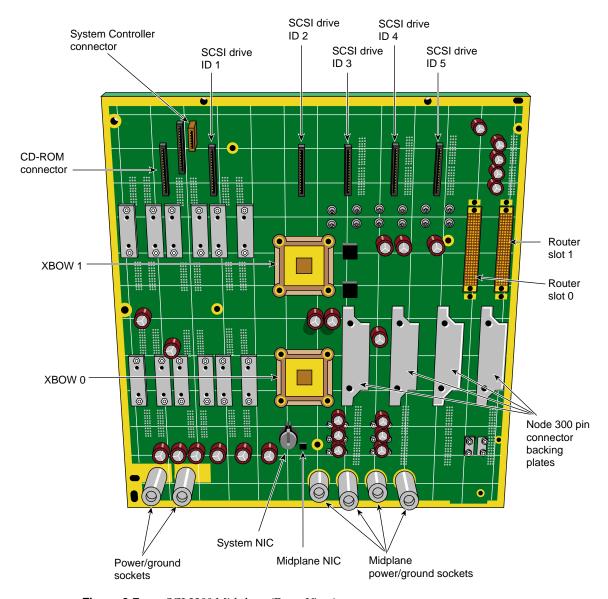


Figure 2-7 SGI 2200 Midplane (Front View)

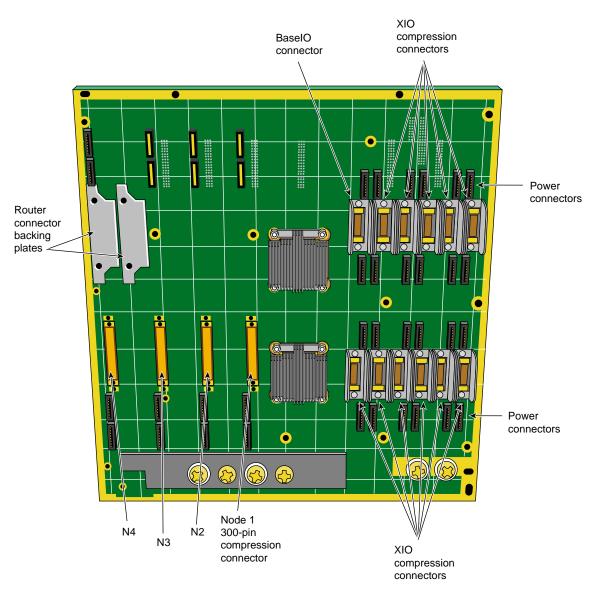


Figure 2-8 SGI 2200 Midplane (Rear View)

System Configuration Guidelines

The SGI 2200 system is designed to expand in functionality depending on your hardware computing needs. Standard and optional boards can be combined to build a maximum functional configuration.

Node and Router Board Combinations

The Node and router boards are interdependent and enable high-speed communications within the system among other duties. All SGI 2200 systems ship with the first router board installed. Your system can operate without any router boards, but you can use only one Node board and one bank of XIO slots. The first row of configuration information in Table 2-2 shows the restrictions. You must have at least one router board to operate two Node boards. Figure 2-9 illustrates the Node board and router configuration interdependence.

Node and XIO Board Combinations

Table 2-2 provides an overview of interdependent system boards that combine to build the deskside chassis into a maximum compute server.

Node board slots are counted from right to left. Router board and XIO board slots are counted from left to right. Figure 2-10 shows a functional view of the back of the system. The circles and triangles represent the interdependence of the XIO slots and the Node boards that support them.

Table 2-2 Functional Configuration Overview

| 1st Router Board | 2nd Router Board | 1st and 2nd Node Bd. Slots | 3rd and 4th Node Bd. Slots | XIO Slots 1-6 | XIO Slots 7-12 |
|---------------------|---------------------|--|-------------------------------|----------------|---|
| Not installed | Not installed | 1st Node {O} is operational | Not usable | Operational{O} | (Δ) Not usable |
| Installed | Not installed | 2nd Node (Δ) Operational if installed | Not usable | Operational{O} | (Δ) Operational with use of 2nd Node board |
| Installed | Installed | Operational | Operational | Operational{O} | (Δ) Operational if Node 2 installed |

| Schematic | Number of Node Boards | Router Board Types | Configuration |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------|
| 64-bit Processor — N | 1 Node Board (up to 2 processors) | None | |
| N NR | 2 Node Boards (up to 4 processors) | Null Router Board — | |
| N N N IR1 Jumper | 3 Node Boards (up to 6 processors) | Router Board —— Star Router ———————————————————————————————————— | IR1 Jumper |
| N N N N SR N IR1 Jumper | 4 Node Boards (up to 8 processors) | Router Board —— Star Router —— Board | IR1 Jumper |

N = Node Board

NR = Null Router Board SR = Star Router Board R = Router Board

Server Router and Node Board Configurations Figure 2-9

Rear Chassis Diagram

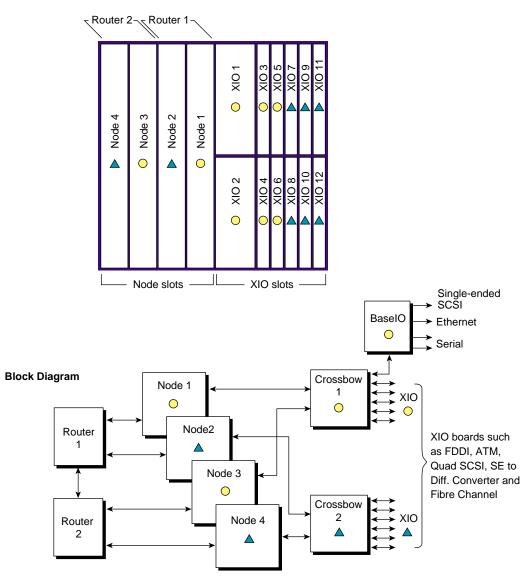


Figure 2-10 Node and XIO Board Functional Configurations

XIO Board Slots

Each SGI 2200 system comes with 12 XIO board slots. Various types of optional interface boards are supported in the XIO slots. These may include

- peripheral component interface (PCI)
- high-performance parallel interface (HIPPI)
- Fibre Channel
- ATM

There are certain installation restrictions that must be followed when XIO boards are installed or removed. Failure to follow these configuration rules may result in system or peripheral malfunction.

Always

- Keep the BaseIO board installed in XIO slot 1.
- Fill the top XIO slots first (XIO slots 3 and 5 should be filled first).
- Have the PCI module installed in XIO slot 2.

Never

- Move the BaseIO board to a slot other than XIO slot 1.
- Have a SCSI board installed in XIO slot 2.
- Have an XIO board installed in an unsupported slot (see Figure 2-10).

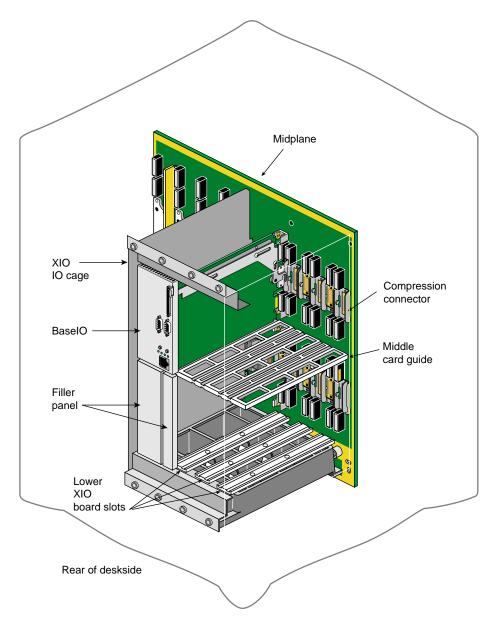


Figure 2-11 XIO Board Slots

BaselO Panel

The main system I/O panel is the BaseIO (also known as the IO6). It is used to connect external devices to the system. The BaseIO panel configuration for SGI 2200 systems is shown in Figure 2-12.

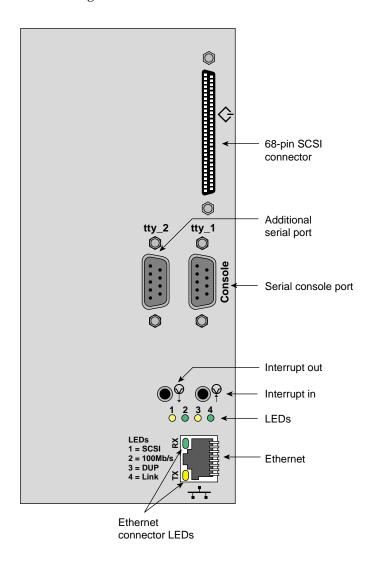


Figure 2-12 BaseIO Panel Connections and Indicators

Devices supported by the BaseIO include an Ethernet network connection, ASCII terminals, printers, or modems, and single-ended ultra SCSI or SCSI-2 peripherals.

Note: If you disconnect a cable from a peripheral device, you should also disconnect it from the I/O connector on the I/O panel. This helps prevent the system from picking up external electrical noise.

Table 2-3 lists a description of the connectors on the BaseIO.

 Table 2-3
 BaseIO Connectors

| Connector Type | Connector Description | Connector Function |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 100BaseT | 8-pin Jack | 100-Mb per second Ethernet |
| Serial | 9-pin DIN | RS-232 and 422 Serial |
| SCSI | 68-pin (FAST-20) | Ultra SCSI (Single-ended) |

See Chapter 4 in this document for a complete description and pin identification for each of the standard and optional BaseIO connectors.

Basic Operating Procedures

This chapter describes all the basic procedures needed to operate your SGI 2200 server. For more detailed information about specific components refer to the table of contents or index.

The design of the SGI 2200 provides customer maintenance access only to specific components within the system.

The following listed components must be serviced or replaced *only* by SGI trained and approved system support personnel:

- The system midplane.
- The system fan tray.
- The Node board(s).
- The router board(s).
- The XIO boards.
- The power supply.

Other components and options within the system can be installed or replaced by the end user.

Note: This product requires the use of external shielded cables in order to maintain compliance with Part 15 of the FCC rules.

System Operation Guidelines

The operating procedures described in the following subsections are designed to ensure your safety and the integrity of your new system.

Operating Voltages

The SGI 2200 chassis can be configured for either 110-120 VAC or 220-240 VAC operation. The system requires alternating current (AC) service at specified voltage and current ratings for proper operation. The power supply is "auto ranging" and automatically adjusts for operation with either voltage range.

Caution: The system requires the use of a 220-240 Volt electrical source whenever it is configured with more than four CPU microprocessors (or two Node boards). Other factors may also apply; contact your service provider before upgrading your 110 Volt deskside system.

Verify that the correct AC line voltages are selected for any external peripheral you use with your system.

Before connecting or disconnecting any terminal, peripheral, or front-loading drive, be sure the module System Controller's (MSC) keyswitch is turned to standby and the system circuit breaker located on the back of the chassis is in the off position.

Read the following safety statements carefully before you install or remove any standard or optional components.

Safety Precautions



Warning: Read the following safety information carefully before you install or remove standard or optional components. To avoid electric shock and/or a fire hazard, do not disassemble the deskside chassis. No user-serviceable parts are located inside.

This equipment is sensitive to damage from electrostatic discharge (ESD) caused by the buildup of electrical potential on clothing and other materials.

Before connecting or disconnecting any terminal, peripheral, or front-loading drive, be sure the system is powered off and the primary power source is disconnected.

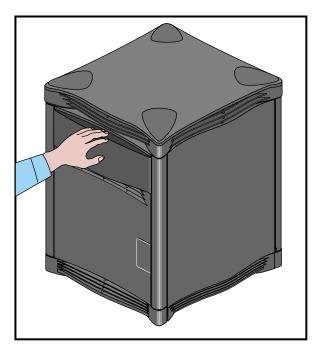
Attach a ground strap to your wrist when working on the system.

Sliding Open the Front Door Panel

To access the drives and MSC you must open the front door of the deskside system.

Use the following information to open or close the deskside system's front sliding door panel:

- 1. Push down on the rectangular panel near the top on the front of the system.
- 2. Slide it downward until it locks in position. You should have clear access to the drives and the MSC interface panel (see Figure 3-1).
- 3. Close the panel by pushing down until you feel it release.
- 4. Let it slide back up into its original closed position.



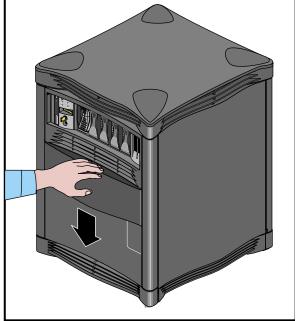


Figure 3-1 Opening and Closing the Sliding Front Panel

Removing the System's Plastic Covers

Under certain circumstances you may wish to remove some or all of the plastic covers from the deskside chassis. See "Sliding Open the Front Door Panel" on page 31 if you need to access only the drives or the MSC front panel.

Note: Do not operate the deskside system with the plastic covers removed. Disruption to normal air flow patterns may cause system overheating.

Use the following steps to remove the plastic covers from the deskside system:

- 1. Be sure that the system power is turned off and the power cable is disconnected from the back of the system.
- 2. Remove the plastic front panel cover by undoing the captive Phillips-head retaining screw located near the center of the bottom grill (see Figure 3-2).
- 3. Lower the panel approximately 0.15 inches (4 mm) and pull it forward off the chassis.
- 4. To remove the top cover you must first remove the four corner-positioned cover "caps" by using a screwdriver to release the latch for each one (see Figure 3-3).
- 5. Push the screwdriver through the upper grill and unlatch a cap, then lift the cap off. If you have trouble lifting the cap, press down on the outside corner of the cap until it pops up.
- 6. Remove the top plastic panel by undoing the captive screw under each cap and lifting the cover straight up off the chassis.

Note: It is highly unlikely that you will need to remove the rear plastic "bumper" cover or side panels. These three plastic covers are interconnected and somewhat difficult to remove. If you find it necessary, contact your service provider for assistance.

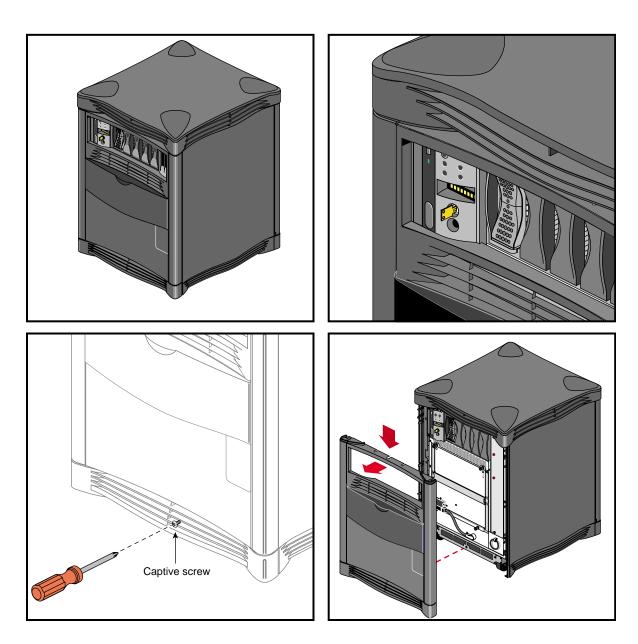


Figure 3-2 Removing the Front Plastic Panel

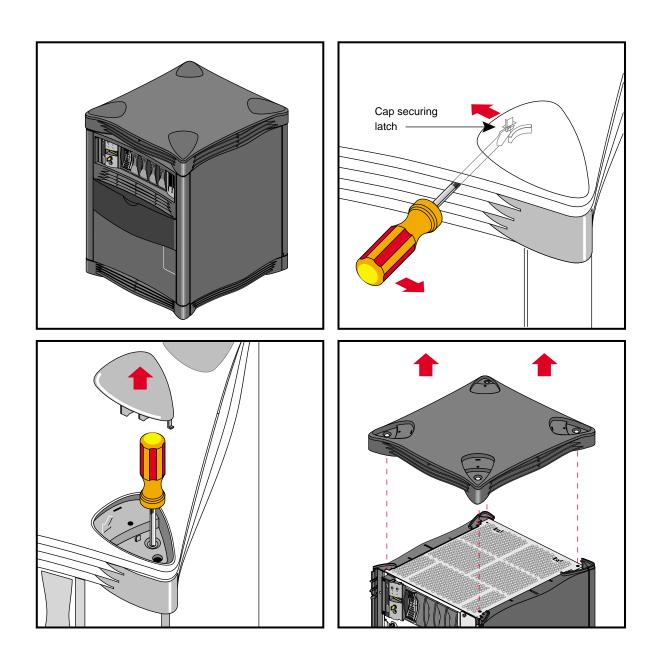


Figure 3-3 Removing the Top Plastic Panel

Locating System Drives

The SGI 2200 server comes standard with six drive bays. The first is located in the upper left sector on the front of the system and holds one 5.25-inch half-height CD-ROM drive. This single-ended drive bay is "hard wired" as SCSI ID 6 on the backplane. To the right of this bay is the MSC and then a bank of five 3.5-inch disk bays (see Figure 3-4).

The system disk is always SCSI ID 1 and is always installed in the disk drive bay directly to the right of the MSC. Each of the five disk drive bays is "hard wired" on the backplane to a single SCSI ID number (1-5). This prevents ever assigning the same SCSI ID to more than one drive installed in the deskside chassis.

Caution: When you remove a drive be sure that you always put it back in the same bay that you removed it from. Placing the system disk in the wrong bay results in the system being unable to boot. Replacing a data disk in a different bay may cause file corruption, data loss, or other malfunction.

See the information in Chapter 5 for details on removing, replacing, or installing drives in the deskside chassis.

Caution: Use proper handling and storage procedures to avoid the loss of data and equipment. Do not remove disk drives while they are operating. Always power off the system before removing a drive.

Be sure to use standard electrostatic discharge prevention precautions when removing, storing, transporting, or replacing drives.

All hard disk drives installed in the system must be Ultra SCSI or SCSI-2 compatible and use 80-pin single-connector assembly (SCA) drive sleds.

Use of external SCSI devices is supported through the BaseIO and optional XIO boards that install in the back of the system. See Chapter 5, "Installing and Replacing Customer-Replaceable Units," for additional information.

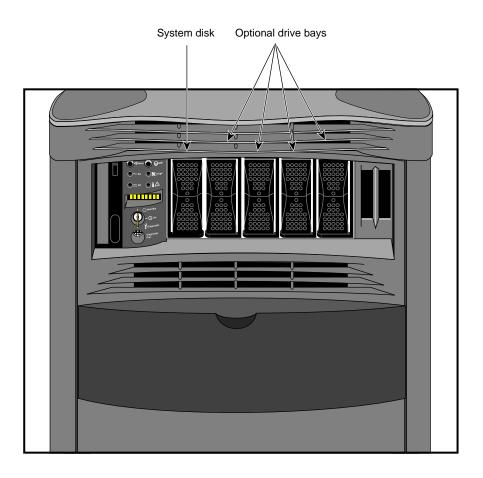


Figure 3-4 Deskside System Internal Drive Bays

Connecting to an Ethernet

Your SGI 2200 system comes standard with an 8-pin 100-Mb-per-second Ethernet connector.

Note: Always verify the type of signal being transmitted over your network cable before plugging in the connector. Some networks use a twisted-pair cabling system that carries AUI signals. These networks use an RJ-45 connector that is meant to be plugged into an IEEE 802.3 Transceiver unit.

You can order optional Silicon Graphics XIO boards for additional Ethernet connections.

Observe the following procedures when making Ethernet connections:

- 1. Identify the Ethernet drop intended for your deskside system, and route it to the rear of the chassis. Repeat for any additional connections.
- 2. Plug in the Ethernet connector (make sure to properly secure the 8-pin connector).
- 3. Continue with any additional peripheral connections or installations.
- 4. Restart the system.

Powering On the SGI 2200 System

Use the following procedures to power on your new SGI 2200 system:

- 1. Make sure the power switches on all of the equipment are turned off.
- 2. Plug the power cord into each component. Make sure to connect the cords to grounded outlets only.
- 3. Turn on the power switches in the following order:
 - breaker switch located on the power-in panel on the back of the chassis
 - monitors, terminals or other video output devices
 - printer (if installed)
 - MSC key switch
- 4. After you turn the MSC's switch to the On position, watch the LED panel for the [SYS OK] message. See Figure 3-5 for the keyswitch and other front panel switch locations.

Note: Pushing either of the reset buttons during the boot process causes the system to abort the normal boot process.

To better understand the MSC and its front panel interface, see Chapter 6, "Using the Module System Controller," for more detailed information.

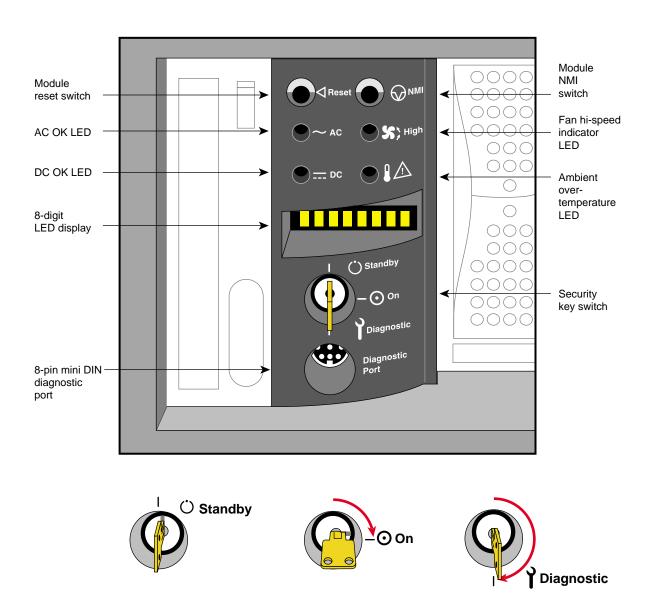


Figure 3-5 MSC Keyswitch and Front-Panel Controls

Powering Off the SGI 2200 System

The SGI 2200 system should be completely powered off only for relocation, routine maintenance, or repair. Warn everyone who uses the system before you shut it down. Before beginning this procedure, log out and shut down the software using the instructions that follow:

- To halt operating system activity and prepare the system for power off, become superuser and enter /etc/halt in a functional IRIX window. The /etc/halt command gracefully shuts down the system software and leaves you at the PROM monitor level. If you are remotely logged in to the system, you will be prompted before the shutdown procedure is executed.
- 2. Turn the MSC key switch to the standby position to eliminate power to the boards and peripherals.
- 3. Switch the system circuit breaker to the off position to eliminate all power to the midplane and power supply (see Figure 3-6 for the location of the switch).
- 4. Unplug the power cord from the socket if you need to cut off all electrical power to the system.

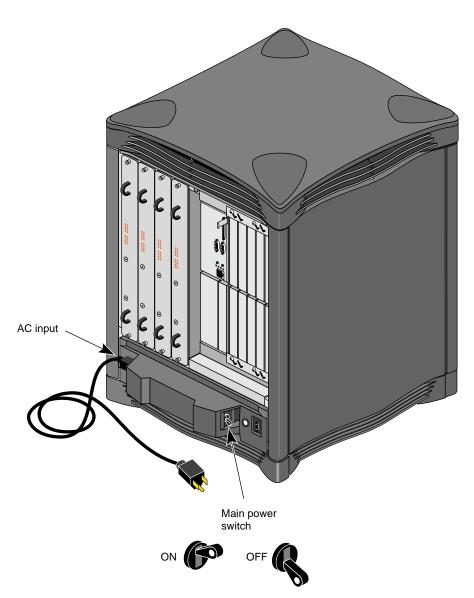


Figure 3-6 System Power Cable and Switch

SGI 2200 Interface and Cabling Information

When your SGI 2200 server is initially set up in the work area, a trained system support engineering (SSE) technician should configure and connect it.

Your SGI 2200 system is fully functional as a standalone server using Ethernet, modem, optional ATM, HIPPI, or other interconnect technologies.

Proper configuration and interconnection of any optional XIO interconnect cables or hardware can be accomplished by the SSE at initial system installation or when an upgrade is ordered.

The Ethernet Interface Connection

The system comes standard with a single 100 Base-T 8-pin Ethernet connector. Optional boards supporting additional Ethernet connectors are available.

Table 4-1 shows the cable pinout assignments for the Ethernet 100 Base-T Ethernet port.

Table 4-1 Ethernet 100-BASE T Ethernet Port Pin Assignments

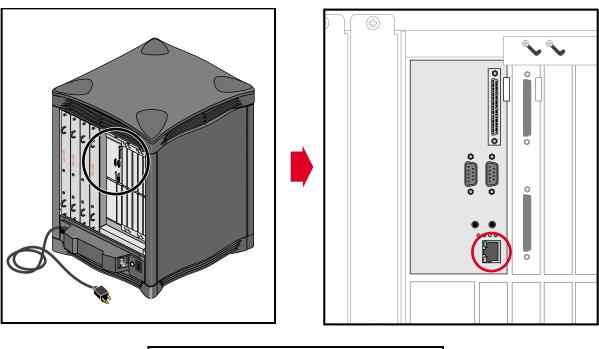
| Pin | Assignment | |
|-----|------------|--|
| 1 | TRANSMIT+ | |
| 2 | TRANSMIT- | |
| 3 | RECEIVE+ | |
| 4 | (Reserved) | |
| 5 | (Reserved) | |
| 6 | RECEIVE- | |
| 7 | (Reserved) | |
| 8 | (Reserved) | |

Figure 4-1 shows the location of the standard Ethernet connector on the deskside system.

There are two LEDs on the RJ-45 Ethernet; the top (green) LED lights only when the system is transmitting. The bottom (yellow) LED lights whenever it sees any packet on the wire. This includes packets not destined for your system.

Just above the RJ-45 Ethernet connector is a set of four LEDs. They have the following functions:

- The yellow LED on the far left (LED 1) lights to indicate SCSI activity on the BaseIO single-ended SCSI connector.
- The green LED (LED 2) lights to indicate 100 Mb-per-second packet activity.
- The yellow LED on the right (LED 3) indicates when the Ethernet is operating at full duplex rates of transfer or receive.
- The rightmost green LED (LED 4) shows the Ethernet link test. It lights when linkstate is valid.



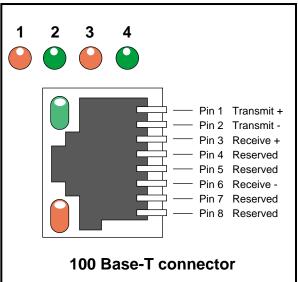


Figure 4-1 Standard Ethernet on the SGI 2200 Server

Standard Serial Ports

Each SGI 2200 system comes with two standard 9-pin serial ports. These ports can support either RS-232 or RS-422 interface devices. Figure 4-2 shows the location and pinouts for a serial port. Optional additional serial ports are also available for your system.

Note: All Origin 2000 serial cables work with the SGI 2200, however, you cannot use serial cables that work with older SGI deskside systems.

The RS-232 standard recommends the use of cables no longer than 50 feet (15.2 meters). This standard should also be applied to the RS-422 connector. Longer runs introduce a greater possibility of line noise occurring. This can affect data transmission and cause errors. For cable runs longer than 50 feet (15.2 meters), use an appropriate extender device.

Note: Do not run cables through areas that are electrically noisy, such as areas where large electric motors, welding apparatus, or X-ray machines operate. Bury outside wiring in conduit, as lighting strikes can damage the system.

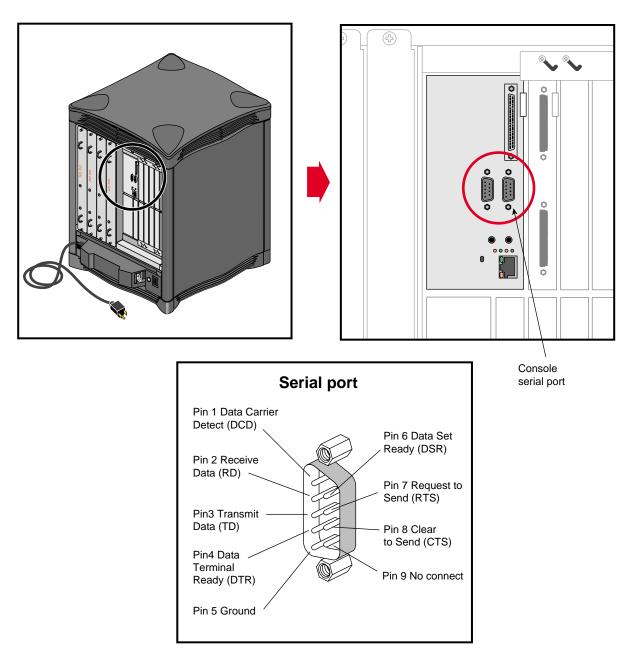


Figure 4-2 Serial Port Location and Pinouts

The Standard SCSI Connector

A single external 68-pin SCSI connector is provided on the BaseIO panel. This connector supports both Ultra SCSI and SCSI-2 devices. The connector sends single-ended SCSI signals only.

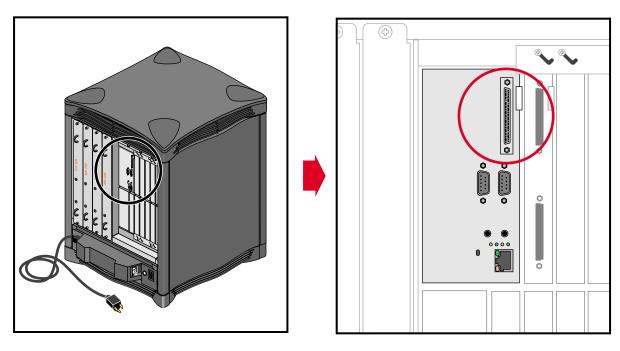
Optional additional SCSI ports can be implemented using SGI XIO option boards.

The hyphen preceding a signal name indicates that the signal is low. Note that 8-bit devices that connect to the P-cable leave these signals open: -DB(8), -DB(9), -DB(10), -DB(11), -DB(12), -DB(13), -DB(14), -DB(15), -DB(P1). All other signals are connected as shown in Table 4-2.

Table 4-268-Pin Single-Ended, High-Density SCSI Pinouts

| Signal Name | Pin Number | Pin Number | Signal Name |
|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Ground | 1 | 35 | -DB(12) |
| Ground | 2 | 36 | -DB(13) |
| Ground | 3 | 37 | -DB(14) |
| Ground | 4 | 38 | -DB(15) |
| Ground | 5 | 39 | -DB(P1) |
| Ground | 6 | 40 | -DB(0) |
| Ground | 7 | 41 | -DB(1) |
| Ground | 8 | 42 | -DB(2) |
| Ground | 9 | 43 | -DB(3) |
| Ground | 10 | 44 | -DB(4) |
| Ground | 11 | 45 | -DB(5) |
| Ground | 12 | 46 | -DB(6) |
| Ground | 13 | 47 | -DB(7) |
| Ground | 14 | 48 | -DB(P) |
| Ground | 15 | 49 | Ground |

Table 4-2 (continued) 68-Pin Single-Ended, High-Density SCSI Pinouts **Signal Name** Pin Number Pin Number Signal Name Ground 16 50 Ground TERMPWR 17 51 TERMPWR TERMPWR 18 52 TERMPWR 19 53 Reserved Reserved Ground 54 Ground 20 -ATN Ground 21 55 Ground 22 Ground 56 Ground 23 57 -BSY Ground 58 -ACK 24 25 59 -RST Ground -MSG Ground 26 60 Ground 27 -SEL 61 Ground 28 62 -C/D 29 Ground 63 -REQ -I/O Ground 30 64 Ground 31 65 -DB(8) -DB(9) Ground 32 66 Ground 33 67 -DB(10) Ground 34 68 -DB(11)



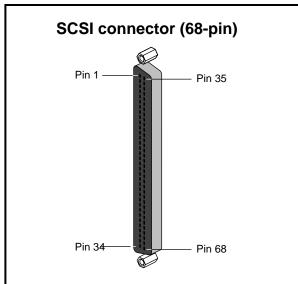


Figure 4-3 68-Pin Single-Ended SCSI Connector

Installing and Replacing Customer-Replaceable Units

This chapter explains how to remove, replace, or add the system disk, data disk(s), CD-ROM drive, or module System Controller (MSC) in the SGI 2200 chassis.

Only SGI trained System Support Engineers (SSEs) remove or replace the system midplane, router board(s), fan tray, Node boards, power supply, or XIO boards.

Note: If your system is under warranty, or if you have a full service maintenance contract, call your service provider before removing or replacing any parts.

Be sure to carefully read and follow all the safety information regarding power and static discharge in Chapter 3 before performing any of the installation or replacement procedures in this chapter.

Installing or Removing the System Disk and Optional Hard Drives

The main system disk (disk one, SCSI ID 1) always goes in the drive bay immediately to the right of the MSC. The front of the system has five 3.5-inch disk bays that use 80-pin single-connector assembly (SCA) installation sleds.

Note: You must use an SCA-ready disk drive and drive sled mount on all drives being installed in these five bays. Non-SCA drives and sleds from older Silicon Graphics systems will not fit or function in the SGI 2200 drive bays.

The CD-ROM bay at the upper left section of the system uses a different mounting scheme.

Disk drive modules are aligned vertically at the front of the chassis, as shown in Figure 2-1. In the server chassis, note that the left-most disk drive—the system drive—is oriented differently from the others.

Caution: Do not remove disk drives while they are operating. Always power off the system prior to removing a drive. When you remove a drive(s) be sure that you always put it back in the same bay that you removed it from. Placing the system disk in the wrong bay results in the system being unable to boot.

To remove the system disk drive module:

- 1. Power off the system.
- 2. Unlock the handle by moving it to the right (the handle is centered and in the open position, as shown in Figure 5-1). Note that the handle opens to the left in bays two through five; see the next section "Removing or Inserting a Data Disk."
- 3. Pull the disk and sled assembly straight out of the bay.

To insert a hard disk assembly, follow these steps:

- 1. If necessary, snap the handle to the open position so that it is centered.
- 2. Align the disk module with the drive guide.
- 3. Gently but firmly slide the disk module on the guides over the pin.
- 4. When the system disk assembly is in all the way, snap the handle leftward to the closed position.
- 5. Use the packaging for the new disk module for repackaging the old disk module.

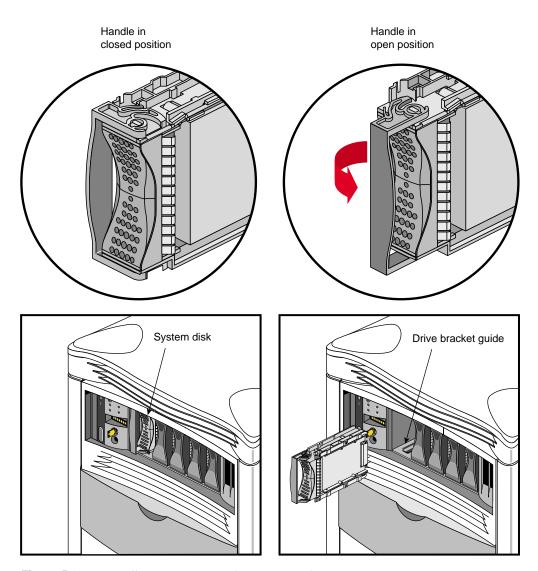


Figure 5-1 Installing or Removing the System Disk

Removing or Inserting a Data Disk

Caution: Use proper handling and storage procedures to avoid the loss of data and equipment. Do not remove disk drives while they are operating. Always power off the system prior to removing a drive. When you remove a drive(s) be sure that you always put it back in the same bay that you removed it from. Replacing a data disk in a different bay may cause file corruption, data loss, or other malfunction.

To remove a data disk drive module:

- 1. Snap the handle to the left to the open position.
- 2. Center the handle, as shown in Figure 5-2.
- 3. Pull the disk module straight out.

To insert a data disk drive module, follow these steps:

- 1. If necessary, snap the handle to the open position so that it is centered.
- 2. If you are adding a drive, remove the drive filler plate that covers the drive slot you want to use.
- 3. Align the new disk module with the drive guide.
- 4. Gently but firmly slide the disk module on the guides over the pin.
- 5. When the disk module is in all the way, snap the handle rightward to the closed position.
- 6. If you have replaced a data disk module, repackage it for shipment back to SGI, following instructions included with the replacement shipment.

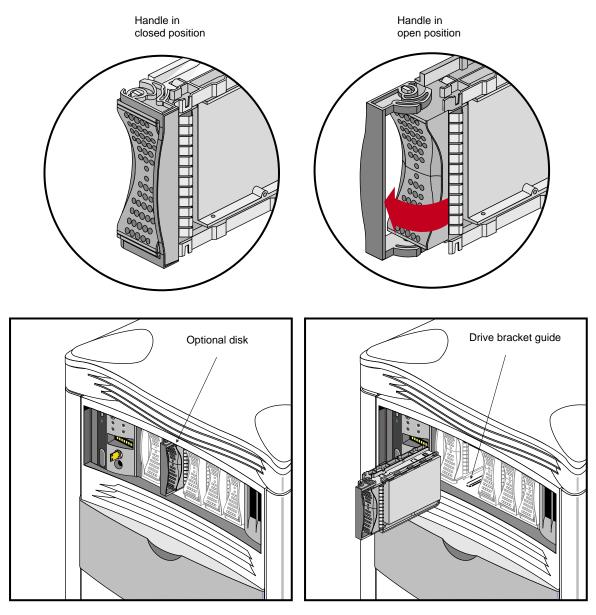


Figure 5-2 Removing a Data Disk Drive Module

Replacing the Module System Controller or CD-ROM Drive

The module MSC and CD-ROM drive are packaged together in one assembly. To replace either unit, you must remove the entire assembly and then replace the faulty component.

To replace the MSC or CD-ROM drive, follow these steps:

- 1. Notify all users to log off, turn the MSC key to Standby, and push the system power switch on the back down (off). See "Powering Off the SGI 2200 System" in Chapter 3 if you need more information.
- 2. Remove the front cover, see "Removing the System's Plastic Covers" in Chapter 3 if you are unfamiliar with the procedure.
- 3. Use a #1 Phillips-head screwdriver to loosen and remove the four screws that hold the assembly in place on the chassis, as shown in Figure 5-3.
- 4. Grasp the assembly with both hands and gently tug the connectors loose from the midplane. There is an indentation near the upper right sector that provides a good finger grip.
- 5. Pull the assembly all the way out of the chassis and set it carefully on an anti-static work surface.
- 6. Remove the four screws that connect the CD drive or MSC (whichever you are replacing) to the sheet-metal assembly frame.
- 7. Install the new unit using the screws from the last step.
- 8. Slide the assembly into the chassis carefully until the two connectors are perfectly aligned with the connectors on the system midplane.
- 9. Seat the connectors firmly into the midplane, then screw in and tighten the four screws that fasten the assembly to the deskside chassis.
- 10. Reinstall the front cover and power on the system.

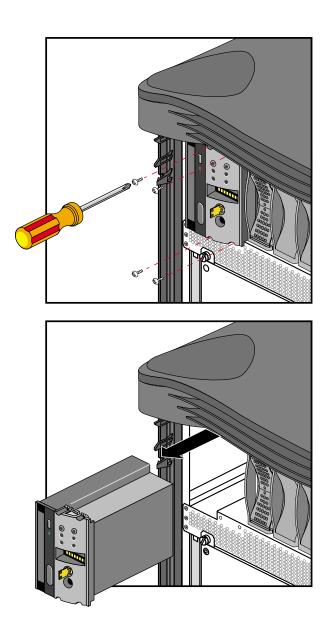


Figure 5-3 Installing or Replacing the MSC or CD-ROM Drive

Installing External Drives

There are a number of optional peripheral devices that can be used with your SGI 2200 deskside system. Figure 5-4 shows a SCSI drive expansion box connected to the server.

Note: Always use the shortest possible SCSI cable when connecting to a single-ended external SCSI device or enclosure.

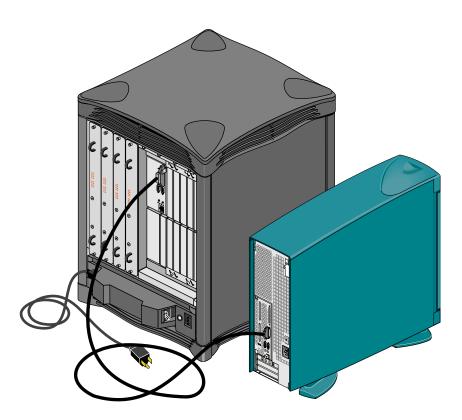


Figure 5-4 External Drive Expansion Box

Using the Module System Controller

This chapter describes the functionality of the deskside module System Controller (MSC). The MSC interacts with the power supply, fan-tray module, Node board(s), midplane, and other boards that have on-board regulators in the server.

Deskside MSCs do not have the same functional abilities as the multimodule System Controller (MMSC) that mounts in a rack.

The MSC is located in the upper left section on the front of the system. It is between the CD-ROM drive bay and the hard disk bays. Figure 6-1 shows the deskside MSC location.

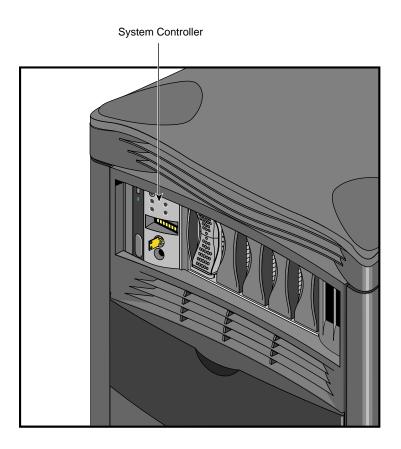


Figure 6-1 MSC Interface Location

The MSC Front Panel

The MSC front panel is shown in Figure 6-2. The MSC provides environmental monitoring for safe operation of the deskside system. The MSC connects to the system midplane via an extender board and provides easy user access to switches and displays at the front of the server.

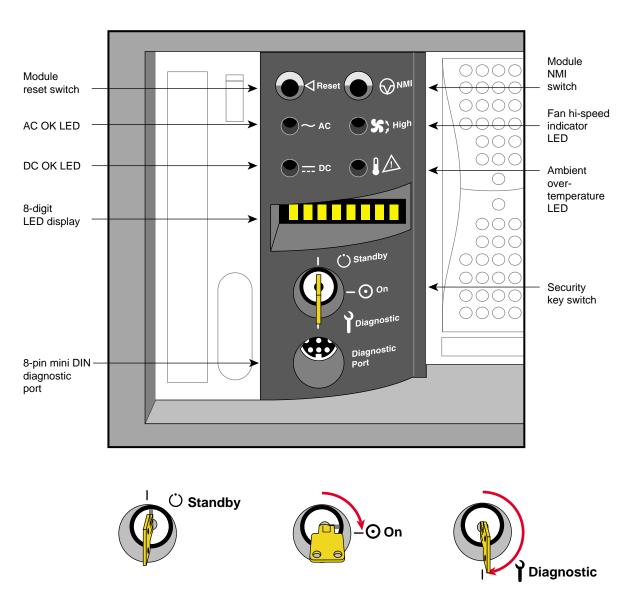


Figure 6-2 MSC Status Panel and Switches

Pinouts for the controller's 8-pin diagnostic serial connector are shown in Figure 6-3.

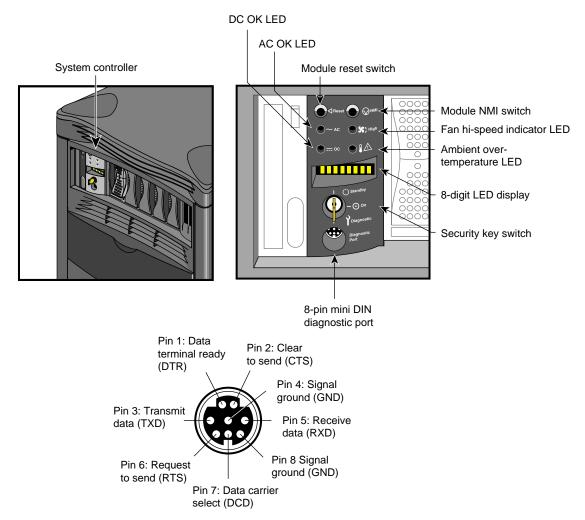


Figure 6-3 MSC Front Diagnostic Port Pinouts

In the lower right section on the back of the deskside system is a 9-pin alternate console diagnostic serial connector that is a direct mirror of the 8-pin diagnostic connector on the front panel. Figure 6-4 shows the location and pinouts of the 9-pin rear-mounted MSC diagnostic connector.

Note: You may not connect serial devices to both the front diagnostic port and rear MSC diagnostic serial connector at the same time. The connectors are wired through the same circuitry and cannot accept or send signals through both ports at the same time.

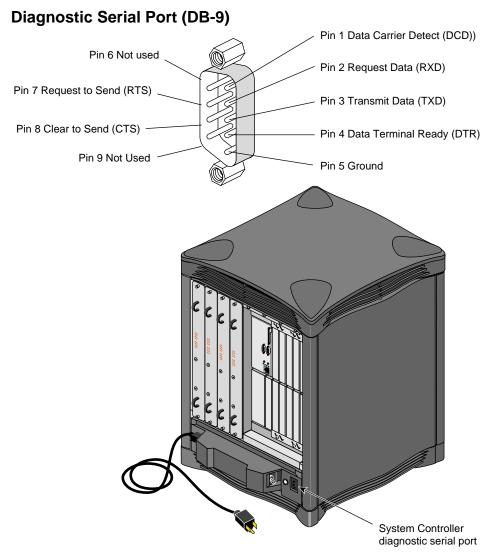


Figure 6-4 MSC Rear Diagnostic Serial Connector

Understanding the MSC's LEDs and Switches

The MSC has one keyswitch, two push buttons, and four LED indicators. The following paragraphs provide information on the use or significance of each control or indicator.

The **Front Panel Keyswitch** selects Standby, On, or Diagnostic status for the system.

The **System Reset** push button initiates a system-wide reset of the deskside. The keyswitch must be in the diagnostic position to use this button.

The **Non-Maskable Interrupt** (NMI) switch issues a reset signal to all Node boards in the system. The keyswitch must be in the diagnostic position to use this button.

The **AC Power OK** green LED lights when the system is plugged into an outlet and the AC circuit breaker is turned on. The MSC is receiving DC voltage (V_5 Aux) through the midplane, as are other boards that require it.

The **DC Power OK** green LED lights three and one-half seconds after the keyswitch is turned to the On position. This indicates the system power supply is enabled and operating properly.

The **Fan Speed High** amber warning LED lights as an indication that the ambient temperature is higher than optimal, or a non-critical fan has failed. When a non-critical fan fails, the remaining fans are set at full speed to compensate. In this case, a service call should be placed immediately.

The **Over Temperature Fault** amber warning LED lights when the MSC's incoming air temperature or fan failure detection causes a shutdown of the system. If the environmental temperature exceeds the system's tolerance, or if a critical fan fails, the MSC shuts down the system. In some cases, a service call should be placed immediately. See the section "MSC Shutdown" in Chapter 7 for tips on how to troubleshoot this problem area.

MSC Features and Functions

The MSC has the following basic features and functions:

- Issues a reset signal at power-on.
- The front-panel mounted keyswitch provides a soft power-off to standby condition.
- A front-panel mounted push-button system reset switch.
- A front-panel mounted push-button non-maskable interrupt (NMI) switch.
- Monitors ambient incoming air temperature into the system and adjusts fan speed accordingly (two speeds). A soft power-off of the system results when ambient temperature becomes too high for safe operation.
- LED display of ambient over-temperature conditions.
- NVRAM for storing configuration information (1024 x 8 bits).
- Monitors fan rotation and automatically increases to high speed fan operation when a fan fails. Signals an impending shutdown when a single critical fan fails, or two or more non-critical fans fail.
- LED display of high fan speed and possible fan tray failure (fan high-speed LED).
- LED display of power supply operation. AC OK LED indicates AC voltage applied to system. DC OK indicates all Power Supply DC voltages (+12 V, +5 V, +3.45 V), and remote DC voltages (3.3 V, 2.4 V, 1.6 V) are present with no error conditions in the system. The DC OK LED does not indicate regulation or accuracy of the DC voltages present.
- Provides a 100-Kbps bidirectional communication path between the MSC, mid-plane, and Hub ASIC IO space on each Node board in the system. This communication path allows the MSC to receive system status messages from all Node boards in a system, and to provide status messages from the MSC and all Node boards in a system. This communication path is referred to as the I2C interface.
- Provides ability to request the system serial number and configuration information via the I2C Interface.
- Eight-digit alphanumeric status display. This display is updated by the MSC or the Node cards in the system via the I2C interface.

- Provides a seven-wire 9600 BAUD alternate console diagnostic port for off-line configuration and troubleshooting. Also communicates with the Node board(s) when the IO console port or a system console is not available or functional. This interface also supports the minimum requirements for modem support.
- Software Reset, NMI, and soft power-off commands through the alternate console diagnostic port.
- Supports alternate console diagnostic port command line power supply voltage margining. Margining allows the 3.45-V or 5-V outputs of the power supply to be moved 5% higher or lower independently. This does not effect remote regulated termination voltages (1.6 V, 2.4 V, router 3.3 V).
- Supports alternate console diagnostic port command-line regulated termination voltage margining for the termination voltages 1.6 V, 2.4 V, and 3.3 V, (all termination voltages will be margined 5% higher or lower together, not independently). This does not affect the power supply voltages.
- Sends early warning high priority interrupt (Panic Interrupt) to all Node boards warning of impending shutdown due to AC power fail, ambient over-temperature or the switch being placed in the standby position.
- Provides an interlock (removable keyswitch) to prevent unauthorized personnel from turning the system to on or standby, and to limit operation of the System Reset and NMI functions. The software password allows access and permissions through the alternate diagnostic console port.

MSC Status Messages

The MSC front panel has an eight-character LED readout that supplies information about system status. In the case of a problem related to the power supply, you should check the information in the section "Power Supply Problems" in Chapter 7 for additional information.

Table 6-1 gives a list of MSC messages and an explanation of what the impacts may be.

Table 6-1MSC Messages

| Table 6-1 | MSC Messages | |
|---------------|--------------|--|
| Error Message | | Meaning of Message |
| SYS OK | | The system is operating normally. |
| R PWR UP | | The system is being powered on remotely via the MSC's serial connection. |
| TEMP OK | | The system temperature is within normal operating parameters. |
| PSTMP OK | | The power supply operating temperature is OK. |
| POWER UP | | The system is being powered on from the front panel switch. |
| PFW FAIL | | The power supplied to the system has failed or dropped below acceptable parameters. The system has shut down. |
| PS OT FL | | The system's power supply temperature has exceeded safety limits and the system has shut down. |
| PS FAIL | | The internal power supply has failed and the system has shut down. |
| OVR TEMP | | The system's temperature has exceeded acceptable limits and the system has shut down. |
| KEY OFF | | The MSC's switch has been turned to standby. |
| RESET | | The Controller's switch has been turned to the diagnostic position and the reset button pushed. |
| NMI | | The Controller's switch has been turned to the diagnostic position and the non-maskable interrupt (NMI) button pushed. |
| M FAN FL | | More than one fan has failed and the system has shut down. |

| Table 6-1 (continued) | MSC Messages |
|-----------------------|---|
| Error Message | Meaning of Message |
| R PWR DN | The system has been powered off from a remote location. |
| PWR CYCL | The system has received the command to power cycle from the console or a remote user. |
| НВТ ТО | The system has registered a heartbeat time-out. A non-maskable interrupt is generated, followed by a system reset. |
| FAN FAIL | A system fan has failed. If it is fan 1, 2, or 3, the system shuts down. A service call should be placed as soon as possible. |
| PS HITMP | The internal power supply unit is running at higher than normal temperatures. |
| POK FAIL | A power OK failure occurred on an unidentified board. |
| POK N 0 | A power OK failure occurred on the first Node board. |
| POK N 1 | A power OK failure occurred on the second Node board. |
| POK N 2 | A power OK failure occurred on the third Node board. |
| POK N 3 | A power OK failure occurred on the fourth Node board. |
| POK RT 0 | A power OK failure occurred on the first router board. |
| POK RT 1 | A power OK failure occurred on the second router board. |
| SP INT 1 | The MSC's firmware generated a spurious timer interrupt signal. |
| SP INT 2 | The MSC's firmware generated a spurious clock signal. |

Basic Troubleshooting

This chapter contains hardware-specific information that can be helpful if you are having trouble with your SGI 2200 system. This information is provided in addition to the module System Controller (MSC) information provided in the previous chapter.

This chapter is intended to give you some basic guidelines to help keep your hardware and the software that runs on it in good working order.

General Guidelines

To keep your system in good running order, follow these guidelines:

- Do not enclose the system in a small, poorly ventilated area (such as a closet), crowd other large objects around it, or drape anything (such as a jacket or blanket) over the system.
- Do not connect cables or add other hardware components while the system is turned on.
- Do not leave the front panel key switch in the diagnostic position.

Note: There is clearance provided for the front panel to close while a key is inserted into the MSC. However, the door may snag on any additional keys you have attached to the MSC's main key.

- Do not lay the system on its side.
- Do not power off the system frequently; leave it running over nights and weekends, if possible. If a system console terminal is installed, it can be powered off when it is not being used.
- Do not place liquids, food, or extremely heavy objects on the system.
- Ensure that all cables are plugged in completely.
- Ensure that the system has power surge protection.

Operating Guidelines

When your system is up and running, follow these operational guidelines:

- Do not turn off power to a system that is currently started up and running software.
- Do not use the root account unless you are performing administrative tasks.
- Make regular backups (weekly for the whole system, nightly for individual users)
 of all information.
- Keep two sets of backup tapes to ensure the integrity of one set while doing the next backup.
- Protect the root account with a password:
- Check for root UID = 0 accounts (for example, diag) and set passwords for these accounts.
- Consider giving passwords to courtesy accounts such as guest and lp.
- Look for empty password fields in the /etc/passwd file.

If the behavior of your system is marginal, or faulty, first do a physical inspection using the checklist below. If all of the connections seem solid, go to the previous chapter and use the MSC to try and isolate the problem. If the problem persists, run the diagnostic tests from the System Maintenance menu or PROM Monitor. See the *IRIX Admin: System Configuration and Operation* manual for more information about diagnostic tests.

If this does not help, contact your system administrator or service provider.

Check every item on this list:

- The terminal and MSC power switches are turned on.
- The main system power switch is not turned to off.
- The fans are running and the fan inlets/outlets are not blocked.
- The MSC display for a fault message or warning.

Before you continue, shut down the system and turn off the power.

Check all of the following cable connections:

- The terminal power cable is securely connected to the terminal at one end and the power source at the other end.
- The deskside system power cable is securely connected to the main unit at one end and plugged into the proper AC outlet at the other end.
- The Ethernet cable is connected to the connector port labeled Ethernet.
- Serial port cables are plugged securely into their corresponding connectors.
- All cable routing is safe from foot traffic.

If you find any problems with hardware connections, correct them and turn on the power to the main unit. The MSC may help to determine if internal system problems exist.

Power Supply Problems

The power supply in your SGI 2200 server is not considered an end-user replaceable component. There are certain basic checks you can make to determine if a system problem is related directly to the power supply.

If the system will not power on at all, check the following:

- Confirm that the system circuit breaker is up (in the On position).
- Check to make sure the power cable is firmly plugged in at both the system connector and the wall socket.
- Remove the front cover and confirm that the cable connecting the power supply to the fan tray is secure.

In some cases the power supply may be unable to supply enough voltage to meet system requirements. When the MSC indicates a power supply related problem, you can remove the front cover and check the status of the three LEDs on the front of the power supply. For help on properly removing the front cover, see "Removing the System's Plastic Covers" in Chapter 3.

Amber (Yellow) LED

The amber LED on the power supply (also known as the AC_OK indicator) lights when the AC input voltage is applied and the system circuit breaker is in the On position.

If the amber LED is not lit, you should check the following:

- The AC outlet
- The system power cord and power switch
- The fan tray to power supply cable

If none of these items is a problem, check the other LEDs on the power supply for any indications.

Green LED

The green LED indicator (also known as the Power Good indicator) lights when power supply outputs are within specification.

If this LED starts to blink on and off, it is a warning that the supply is overloaded. This may indicate a condition such as a 110 volt system that is overloaded with too many Node boards or other options. In this case, contact your service provider for information and assistance.

Red LED

The red LED (also known as the Fault indicator) lights up whenever the power supply shuts off because of insufficient air flow, or when a system over temprature shutdown occurs.

A blinking condition on this LED indicates that an undervoltage condition exists. It means that the supply has dropped below acceptable limits in either the +3.45, +5, or +12 volt ranges. The supply can be reset by power-cycling the system. Note that this could be a symptom of other problems, contact your service provider for additional information.

Crash Recovery

To minimize data loss from a system crash, back up your system daily and verify the backups. Often a graceful recovery from a crash depends upon good backups.

Your system may have crashed if it fails to boot or respond normally to input devices such as the keyboard. The most common form of system crash is terminal lockup—your system fails to accept any commands from the keyboard. Sometimes when a system crashes, data is damaged or lost.

Before going through a crash recovery process, check your terminal configuration and cable connections. If everything is in order, try accessing the system remotely from another workstation or from the system console terminal (if present).

If none of the solutions in the previous paragraphs is successful, you can fix most problems that occur when a system crashes by using the methods described in the following paragraphs. You can prevent additional problems by recovering your system properly after a crash.

The following sections present several ways to recover your system from a crash. The simplest method, rebooting the system, is presented first. If that fails, go on to the next method, and so on. These sections are an overview of the different crash recovery methods.

Rebooting the System

Rebooting usually fixes problems associated with a simple system crash.

Restoring System Software

If you do not find a simple hardware connection problem and you cannot reboot the system, a system file might be damaged or missing. In this case, you need to copy system files from the installation source to your hard disk. Some site-specific information might be lost.

Restoring From Backup Tapes

If restoring system software fails to recover your system fully, you must restore from backup tapes. Complete and recent backup tapes contain copies of important files. Some user- and site-specific information might be lost. Read the following section for information on file restoration.

Restoring a Filesystem From the System Maintenance Menu

If your root filesystem is damaged and your system cannot boot, you can restore your system from the System Maintenance Menu. This is the menu that appears when you interrupt the boot sequence before the operating system takes over the system. To perform this recovery, you need two different tapes: your system backup tape and a bootable tape with the miniroot.

If a backup tape is to be used with the System Recovery option of the System Maintenance Menu, it must have been created with the System Manager or with the *Backup* command, and must be a full system backup (beginning in the root directory (/) and containing all the files and directories on your system). Although the *Backup* command is a front-end interface to the *bru* command, *Backup* also writes the disk volume header on the tape so that the "System Recovery" option can reconstruct the boot blocks, which are not written to the tape using other backup tools. For information on creating the system backup, see the *IRIX Admin: Backup, Security, and Accounting* manual.

If you do not have a full system backup made with the *Backup* command or System Manager —and your root or usr filesystems are so badly damaged that the operating system cannot boot—you have to reinstall your system.

If you need to reinstall the system to read your tapes, install a minimal system configuration and then read your full system backup (made with any backup tool you prefer) over the freshly installed software.

This procedure should restore your system to its former state.

Caution: Existing files of the same pathname on the disk are overwritten during a restore operation, even if they are more recent than the files on tape.

1. Start the system and you should see a message like the following:

```
Starting up the system....

To perform system maintenance instead, press <Esc>
```

2. Press the Esc key. You see the following menu:

System Maintenance Menu

- 1 Start System
- 2 Install System Software
- 3 Run Diagnostics
- 4 Recover System
- 5 Enter Command Monitor
- 3. Enter the numeral 4 and press **Return**. You see this message:

```
System Recovery...
```

Press Esc to return to the menu.

After a few moments, you see the message:

Insert the installation tape, then press <Enter>:

4. Insert your bootable tape and press the **Enter** key. You see some messages while the miniroot is loaded. Next you see the message:

```
Copying installation program to disk....
```

Several lines of dots appear on your screen while this copy takes place.

5. You see this message:

```
CRASH RECOVERY
```

```
You may type sh to get a shell prompt at most questions.
```

```
Remote or local restore: ([r]emote, [l]ocal): [l]
```

6. Press Enter for a local restoration. If your tape drive is on another system accessible by the network, press r and then Enter. You are prompted for the name of the remote host and the name of the tape device on that host. If you press Enter to select a local restoration, you see this message

```
Enter the name of the tape device: [/dev/tape]
```

You may need to enter the exact device name of the tape device on your system, since the miniroot may not recognize the link to the convenient /dev/tape filename. As an example, if your tape drive is drive #6 on your integral SCSI bus (bus 0), the most likely device name is /dev/rmt/tps0d6nr. If it is drive #3, the device is /dev/rmt/tps0d3nr.

The system prompts you to insert the backup tape. When the tape has been read back onto your system disk, you are prompted to reboot your system.

Recovery After System Corruption

From time to time you may experience a system crash caused by file corruption. Systems cease operating ("crash") for a variety of reasons. Most common are software crashes, followed by power failures of some sort, and least common are actual hardware failures. Regardless of the type of system crash, if your system files are lost or corrupted, you may need to recover your system from backups to its pre-crash configuration.

Once you repair or replace any damaged hardware, you are ready to recover the system. Regardless of the nature of your crash, you should refer to the information in the section "Restoring a Filesystem from the System Maintenance Menu" in the *IRIX Admin: Backup, Security, and Accounting* manual.

The System Maintenance Menu recovery command is designed for use as a full backup system recovery. After you have done a full restore from your last complete backup, you may restore newer files from incremental backups at your convenience. This command is designed to be used with archives made using the *Backup* utility or through the System Manager. The System Manager is described in detail in the *Personal System Administration Guide*. System recovery from the System Maintenance Menu is not intended for use with the *tar*, *cpio*, *dd*, or *dump* utilities. You can use these other utilities after you have recovered your system.

You may also be able to restore filesystems from the miniroot. For example, if your root filesystem has been corrupted, you may be able to boot the miniroot, unmount the root filesystem, and then use the miniroot version of *restore*, *xfs_restore*, *bru*, *cpio*, or *tar* to restore your root filesystem. Refer to the reference (man) pages on these commands for details on their application.

Refer to the *IRIX Admin: System Configuration and Operation* manual for instructions on good general system administration practices.

MSC Shutdown

Under specific circumstances the MSC may shutdown the deskside system. Usually this occurs when the operating environment becomes too warm due to fan failure, high ambient temperatures, or a combination of the two.

The MSC automatically shuts down the system and lights the "Over Temperature Fault" LED if any of the following situations occur:

- Failure of two or more of the system's nine fans.
- Failure of one fan plus a high ambient temperature.
- Failure of any (critical) fan directly responsible for cooling the power supply or a router board.
- An unacceptably high ambient temperature.

Only the last situation can be dealt with completely by the end user. The first three require a service call by a qualified support technician.

Fixing the MSC Shutdown

If you determine that a critical fan or fans have failed, you should immediately place a service call. The system is not usable until the faulty fan(s) are replaced.

If the problem involves the combined failure of a single non-critical fan and a high ambient temperature, you should place a service call. You may be able to keep the system running by lowering the ambient temperature of the operating environment while waiting for service.

To lower the ambient temperature around the system, try these methods:

- Lower the air conditioning temperature.
- Move the system to a cooler environment.
- Use a portable fan(s) to circulate more air around the system.
- Use a portable air-conditioner to lower the temperature of the system.

If the problem is simply a high ambient temperature, you will need to either lower the work environment temperature, or move the system to an area with a lower ambient temperature.

Hardware Graph and hinv Commands

If you are having trouble determining what options and standard components are installed in your SGI 2200 server, you may wish to use one or several of the commands listed in the next sections.

Hardware Graph Information

The hardware graph is a tool for inventorying the I/O devices of the SGI 2200 system. Unlike *hinv*, the hardware graph is a UNIX filesystem, whose branching character accommodates the possibility of multiple nodes, each with multiple I/O devices of several types. The hardware graph keeps track of information in the kernel that is associated with the hardware.

Most of the hardware graph directories are much like their /dev counterparts, but module numbers are persistent across reboots and hardware changes (until you change the module numbers).

To see the hardware graph, use the *ls* command. For example:

```
# ls /hw
console mem module rdisk ttys scsi_ctlr unknown
disk kmem mmem null scsi ttys zero
```

In this output, module, rdisk, ttys, scsi, scsi_ctrl, and ttys are subdirectories containing files. For example:

```
# ls /hw/ttys
tty4d1 tty4f1 tty4m1 ttyc1 ttyd1 ttyf1 ttym1
tty4d2 tty4f2 tty4m2 ttyc2
# ls /hw/scsi
scld2l0
# ls /hw/rdisk
dksld2s0 dksld2vh root volume_header
dksld2s1 dksld2vol swap
# ls /hw/scsi_ctlr
0 1
```

To determine I/O devices within a system, follow the directory structure. For example:

```
# ls /hw/module/1/slot/n4/node/link/cpu
0  1
# ls /hw/module/1/slot/n4/node/link/xtalk
0
```

hinv Information

Use the *hinv* command to obtain basic information regarding the general configuration of your system.

```
# hinv
Processor 0: 300 MHZ IP27
CPU: MIPS R12000 Processor Chip Revision: 2.2
FPU: MIPS R10010 Floating Point Chip Revision: 0.0
Processor 1: 300 MHZ IP27
CPU: MIPS R12000 Processor Chip Revision: 2.2
FPU: MIPS R10010 Floating Point Chip Revision: 0.0
Processor 2: 300 MHZ IP27
CPU: MIPS R12000 Processor Chip Revision: 2.0
FPU: MIPS R10010 Floating Point Chip Revision: 0.0
Processor 3: 300 MHZ IP27
CPU: MIPS R12000 Processor Chip Revision: 2.3
FPU: MIPS R10010 Floating Point Chip Revision: 0.0
Main memory size: 448 Mbytes
Instruction cache size: 32 Kbytes
Data cache size: 32 Kbytes
Secondary unified instruction/data cache size: 8 Mbytes
Integral SCSI controller 0: Version QL1040B (rev. 2), single ended
 Disk drive: unit 1 on SCSI controller 0
 Disk drive: unit 2 on SCSI controller 0
 Disk drive: unit 3 on SCSI controller 0
 Disk drive: unit 4 on SCSI controller 0
Integral SCSI controller 1: Version QL1040B (rev. 2), single ended
IOC3 serial port: tty1
IOC3 serial port: tty2
Integral Fast Ethernet: ef0, version 1, module 2, slot io1, pci 2
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