Release Note for AIC SAS 6G 2U24-2 Expander

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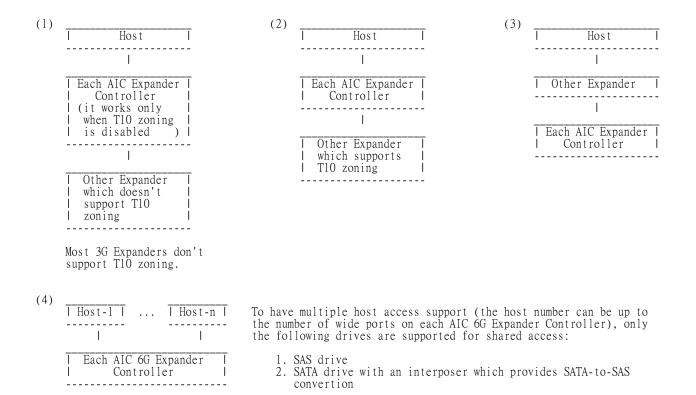
Changelog

- 01/14/2013 (firmware 1.11.1.3 + mfg 1.1.0.4) Part Number (B98-00XUXXE0110103 + B98-002JK6G0010004) Old Part Number B98-00XUXXE0110101 is replaced by B98-00XUXXE0110103.
 1. Resolve the issue that the temperature settings in MFG can not be updated into MCU for smart fan control while powering up both of Expander and MCU. 11/26/2012 (firmware 1.11.1.1 + mfg 1.1.0.4) - Part Number (B98-00XUXXE0110101 + B98-002JK6G0010004) Old Part Number B98-002JK6G0010003 is replaced by B98-002JK6G0010004.
 1. Rename the text descriptor of ArrayDevice from "ArrayDeviceHH" to "DiskDDD" where HH is hexadecimal digits and DDD is decimal digits. 10/17/2012 (firmware 1.11.1.1 + mfg 1.1.0.3) - Part Number (B98-00XUXXE0110101 + B98-002JK6G0010003) Old Part Number B98-002JK6E0010002 is replaced by B98-002JK6G0010003. 1. Improve signal 05/11/2012 (firmware 1.11.1.1 + mfg 1.1.x.2) 1. Add the item 6 of the notice 02/15/2012 in the "Changelog" section 04/24/2012 (firmware 1.11.1.1 + mfg 1.1.x.2) 1. Remove the section "Supported Topology", and add two sections, "Supported Configuration" and "Unsupported Configuration' 03/06/2012 (firmware 1.11.1.1 + mfg 1.1.x.2) 1. Improve signal for SATA drive 02/15/2012 (firmware 1.11.1.1 + mfg 1.1.x.1) 1. Both LEDs (blue and red) per drive can be controlled by Host HBA or RAID card. 2. Compatible with Adaptec 3G HBA and RAID cards. Support T10 zoning.
 In dual-Expander configuration, Host can control drive's LEDs (blue and red) via either Expander.
 - 5. The firmware on Expander automatically configures the number of Fans (cooling elements) during the first boot after the Expander board is attached to the backplane, but the number of cooling elements in SES report may be incorrect on the first boot. After the second boot, cooling elements work well.
 - 6. The order of drive slot id is changed. The order in firmware 0.6.x.x is from top to bottom, then from left to right, and the first slot id (the top-left drive) in SES page is 0. The order in firmware 1.11.1.1 is from left to right, then from top to bottom, and the first slot id (the top-left drive) in SES page is 1.

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Definition of the visual LED indicators (blue and red) associated with a disk drive

Supported Configuration



Unsupported Configuration

1. This only applies to the enclosure which supports dual AIC 6G Expander Controllers. The enclosure with dual AIC 6G Expander Controllers attached is inserted with a SATA drive without any interposer. It will cause the drive LEDs behaves incorrect.

Command Line Interface Operation

- 1. How to enable/disable T10 zoning
 - The default T10 zoning configuration is off. (A) Check the current zoning state
 - cmd> phyzone_state Zoning is OFF
 - (B) Enable zoning cmd> phyzone on
 - (C) Disable zoning cmd> phyzone off

2. How to configure T10 zoning After enabling T10 zoning, three predefined groups are Group1, Group8, and Group9. Each PHY should be in one of the three group, and all PHYs in a wide port should be in the same group. Each PHY in Group1 can access any PHY in other groups, and vice versa. Each PHY in Group8 cannot access any PHY in Group9, and vice versa.

- The default configuration, which allows two wide ports can access all drives, follows. (A) PHYO PHY3 for the UP wide port (the first port) : Group8 (B) PHY4 PHY7 for the UP/DOWN wide port (the second port) : Group1 (C) PHY8 PHY11 for the third port if available : Group1 (D) PHY12 PHY35 for drive : Group1

The command syntax is "phyzone phy_index group". The following example shows how to setup one drive accessed only the first port and another drive accessed only by the second port.

Step 1: Read the current group for PHY4 cmd> phyzone 4

Phy 4 for Zone Group 1

- Step 2: Assign the second port (PHY4 PHY7) for Group9 cmd> phyzone 4 9 cmd> phyzone 5 9
 - cmd> phyzone 6 9 cmd> phyzone 7 9
- Step 3: Assign the drive on PHY12 to be accessed only by the first port instead of the second port cmd> phyzone 12 8
- Step 4: Assign the drive on PHY13 to be accessed only by the second port instead of the first port cmd> phyzone 13 9

Step 5: Reset

- 3. How to get all revisions in AIC SAS 6G Expander (A) Expander firmware revision cmd> rev
 - (B) Expander configuration revision cmd> showmfg
 - (C) Microchip firmware for managing sensors cmd> sensor

4. How to configure temperature sensor

Four temperature settings in Celsius are T1, T2, warning threshold, and alarm (critical) threshold. (A) Get the current temperature settings cmd> temperature Temperature in Celsius (t1=20 C, t2=55 C, warning=50 C, alarm=55 C)

(B) Set temperature with new T1=18 C, T2=52 C, warning threshold=48 C, and alarm threshold=54 C. The new setting will take effect after reset. cmd> temperature 18 52 48 54

cmd> reset