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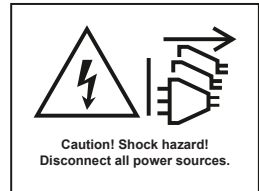
CAUTION

**RISK OF EXPLOSION IF BATTERY IS REPLACED BY AN INCORRECT TYPE.
DISPOSE OF USED BATTERIES ACCORDING TO THE INSTRUCTIONS**

Warning

When removal of the chassis lid required for servicing:

- Turn off power and unplug any power cords/cables, and
- Reinstall the chassis lid before restoring power.



Important Safety Instructions

Pay close attention to the following safety instructions before performing any of the operation. Basic safety precautions should be followed to protect yourself from harm and the product from damage:

- Operation of the product should be carried out by suitably trained, qualified, and certified personnel only to avoid risk of injury from electrical shock or energy hazard.
- Disconnect the power cord from the wall outlet when installing or removing main system components, such as the motherboard and power supply unit.
- Place the system on a stable and flat surface.
- Use extreme caution when working with high-voltage components.
- When handling parts, use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.
- Keep the area around the system clean and clutter-free.
- Keep all components and printed circuit boards (PCBs) in their antistatic bags when not in use.
- Handle a board by its edges only; do not touch its components, peripheral chips, memory modules or contacts.

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Chapter 1 Introduction

Thank you for purchasing 4U8G / 4U10G Series, a reliable barebone system produced under ASRock Rack's consistently stringent quality control. It delivers excellent performance with robust design conforming to ASRock Rack's commitment to quality and endurance.



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The illustrations shown in this manual are examples only, the actual system may differ slightly .

1.1 Shipping Box Contents

Item	Quantity	
	4U8G Series	4U10G Series
4U8G/4U10G Series Barebone	1	1
System Boards (MB)	1	1
Power Supply Unit (PSU)	4	4
Rear System Fans	5	5
Middle System Fans	5	5
HDD Backplane (BPB)	1	1
Rear Panel Board	1	1
Power Distribution Board (PDB)	1	1
Rear Fan Board	1	1
Middle Fan Board	1	1
Switch Board (SWB)	1	1
Accessory Box	1	1
Quick Installation Guide	1	1
Rail Assembly Kit	1	1



If any items are missing or appear damaged, contact your authorized dealer.

1.2 Specifications

4U8G / 4U10G Series	
System Physical Status	
Form Factor	4U Rackmount
Dimension (D x W x H)	438mm x 780mm x 176.5mm (L/W/H) 438mm x 870mm x 176.5mm (L/W/H, with external fans)
Support MB Size	Proprietary 16.53" x 14.56"
Front Panel	
Buttons	• Power On/Standby button • System reset button • NMI button
LEDs	• Power LED • Hard drive activity LED • 2 x Network activity LED • System event LED
I/O Ports	4 x USB 3.2 Gen1 ports
Drive Bay	
External	12 x 3.5" SATA HDDs (6Gb/s) / 24 x 2.5" SATA HDDs (6Gb/s) (4U8G-ROME2/2T-24S only)
System Cooling	
Fan	5 x 8038 Chassis FAN(Hot swap) (External) 5 x 8080 Chassis FAN(Hot swap) (Internal)
Power Supply	
Capacity	4 (3+1), Redundant
Output Watts	1600W CRPS PSU @ 200Vac~240Vac /
System Switch Board	
Switch IC	PEX88096
GPGPU Card	
GPGPU Watts	Max 300w /per card
Support GPU	4U8G Series: 8 PCIe x16 GPU cards 4U10G Series: 10 PCIe x16 or 20 PCIe x8 GPU cards

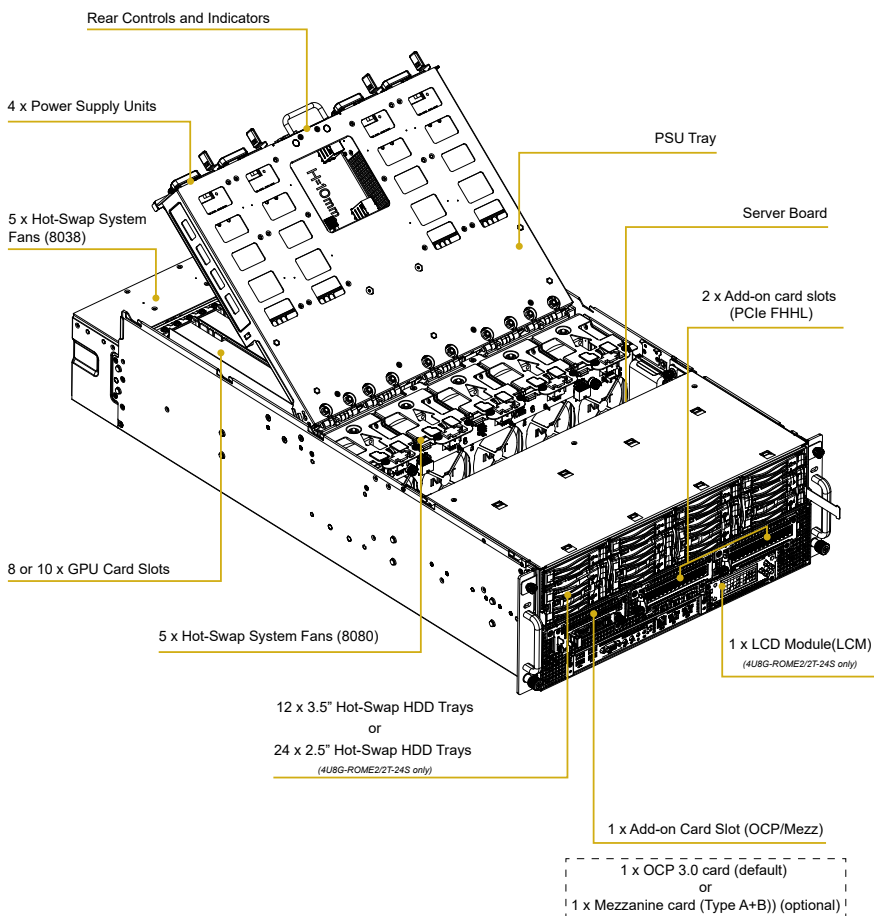


Please refer to the user manual of the motherboard you use for detailed information about motherboard components and features.

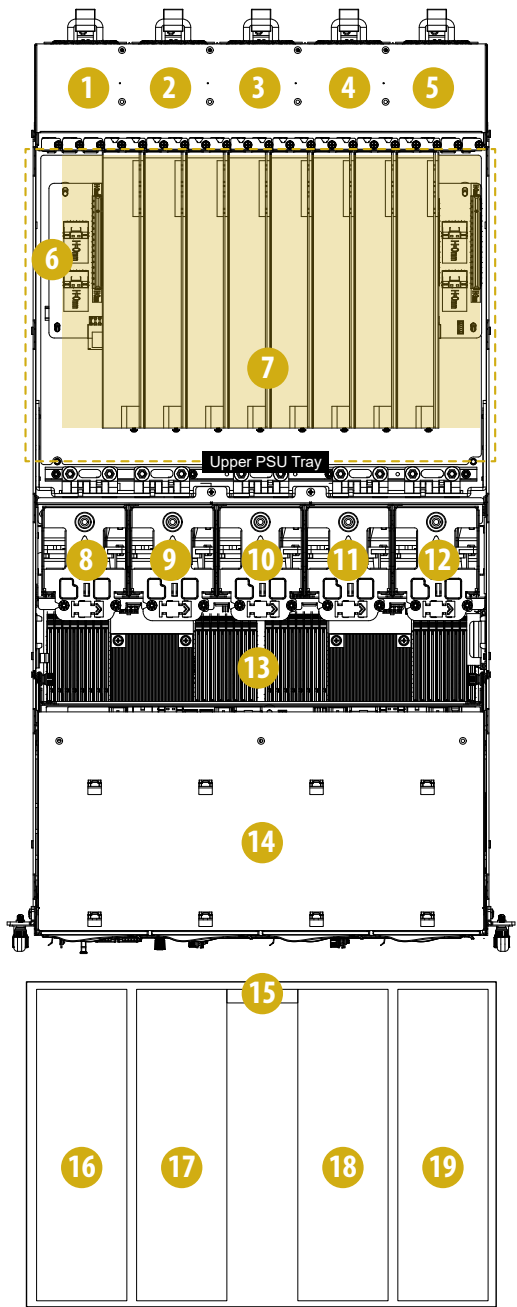
Chapter 2 Server System Overview

This chapter provides diagrams showing the location of important components of the server system.

2.1 System Components



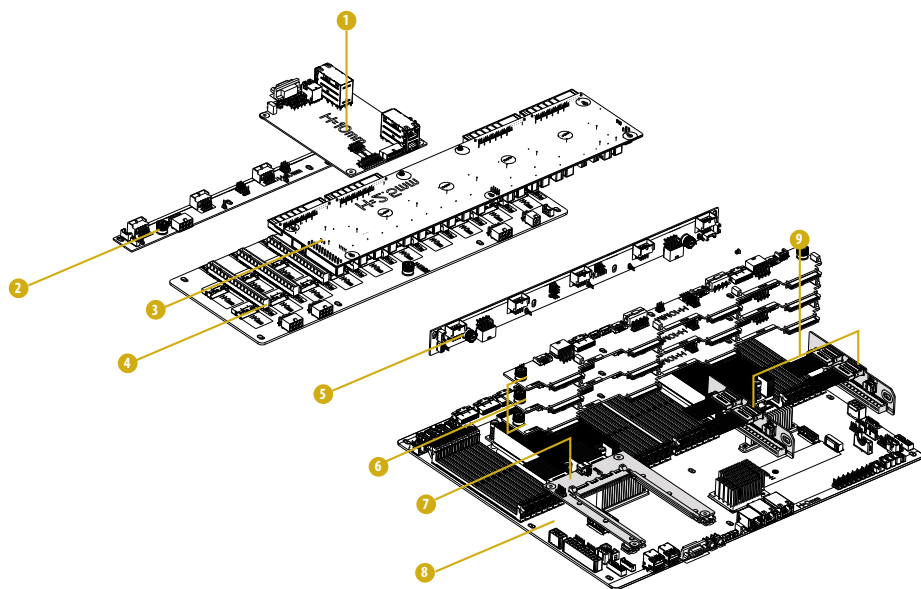
2.2 Internal Features



Upper PSU Tray

No.	From
1	Rear System Fan 1
2	Rear System Fan 2
3	Rear System Fan 3
4	Rear System Fan 4
5	Rear System Fan 5
6	Switch Board (SWB)
7	4U8G Series: 8 PCIe x16 GPU cards 4U10G Series: 10 PCIe x16 or 20 PCIe x8 GPU cards
8	System Fan 1
9	System Fan 2
10	System Fan 3
11	System Fan 4
12	System Fan 5
13	Serverboard
14	12 x 3.5" Hot-swap HDD trays or 24 x 2.5" Hot-swap HDD trays (<i>4U8G-ROME2/2T-24S only</i>)
15	Rear Control Panel (on the PSU tray)
16	Power Supply 4 (on the PSU tray)
17	Power Supply 3 (on the PSU tray)
18	Power Supply 2 (on the PSU tray)
19	Power Supply 1 (on the PSU tray)

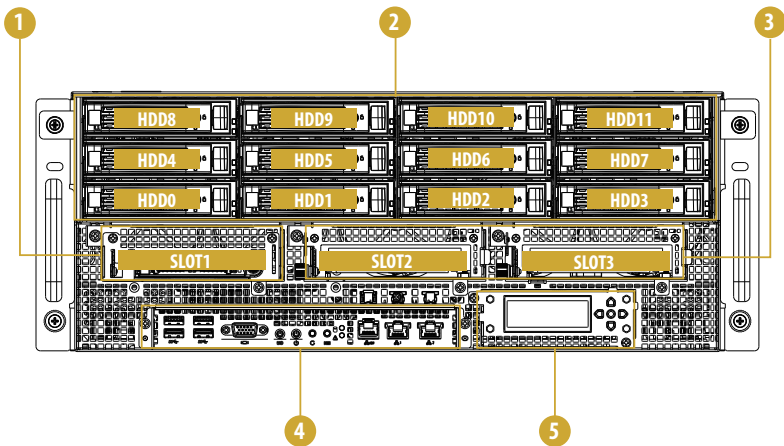
2.3 Board Arrangement



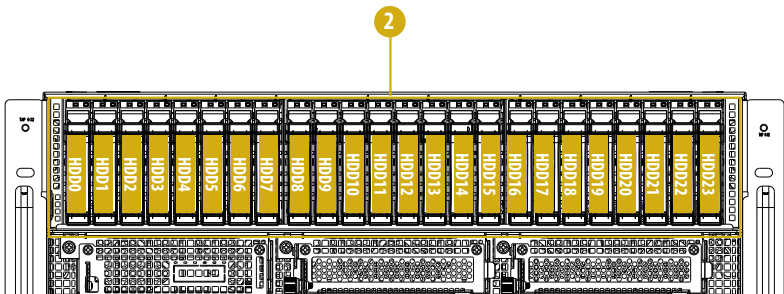
No.	Item
1	Rear Panel Board
2	Rear Fan Board
3	Power Distribution Board (PDB)
4	Switch Board (SWB)
5	Middle Fan Board
6	HDD Backplane Board (BPB)
7	Add-on Card Module (for an OCP 3.0 card (SL2OCP3) or a mezzanine card (SL2M(Type A+B)))
8	Serverboard
9	Riser Cards (SL2P) (for FHH L PCIe cards)

2.4 System Front Panel

4U8G / 4U10G Series

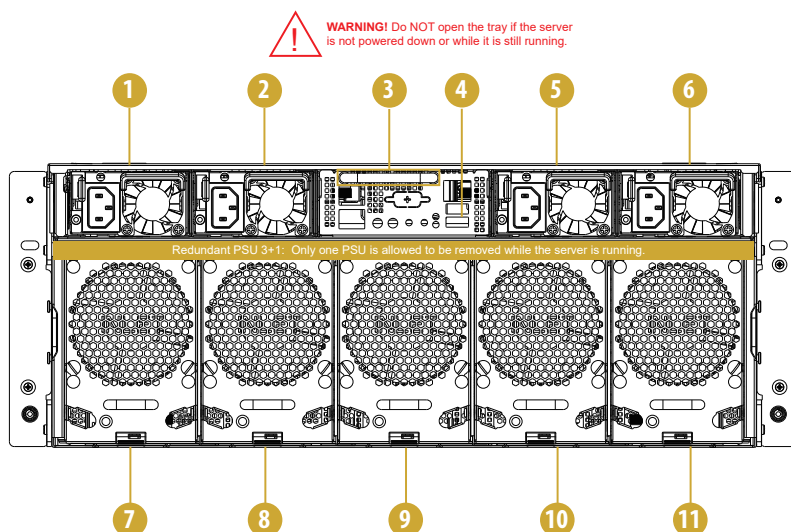


4U8G-ROME2/2T-24S only:



No.	Description
1	1 x Add-on Card Slot (for 1 x OCP 3.0 card (default) or 1 x Mezzanine card (Type-A+B) (optional))
2	12 x 3.5" HDD trays or 24 x 2.5" HDD trays (4U8G-ROME2/2T-24S only)
3	2 x Add-on Card Slots (for 2 x FHHL PCIe cards)
4	I/O Shield (depends on the specification of the server board)
5	1 x LCD Module (LCM) (4U8G-ROME2/2T-24S only)

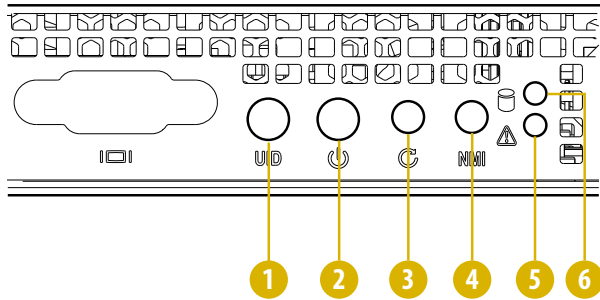
2.5 System Rear Panel



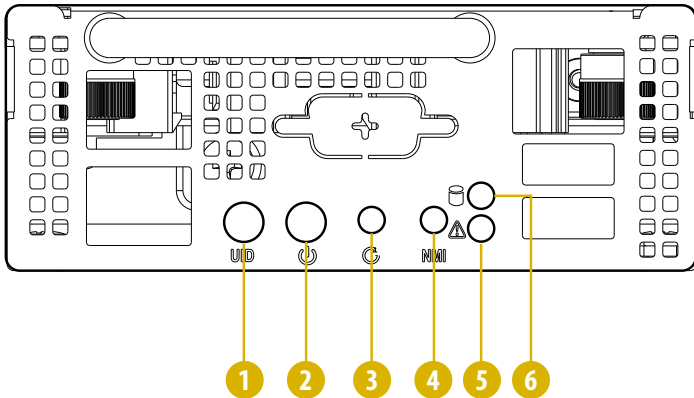
No.	Description
1	Power Supply Unit 1 (Redundant PSU 3+1) <i>*Server requires 3 working PSUs, with 1 redundant PSU. You must have at least three active supplies, installed, functioning and connected to AC. Only one of the PSUs is allowed to be removed while the server is running..</i>
2	Power Supply Unit 2 (Redundant PSU 3+1) <i>*Server requires 3 working PSUs, with 1 redundant PSU. You must have at least three active supplies, installed, functioning and connected to AC. Only one of the PSUs is allowed to be removed while the server is running..</i>
3	PSU Tray Handle
4	Control Panel
5	Power Supply Unit 3 (Redundant PSU 3+1) <i>*Server requires 3 working PSUs, with 1 redundant PSU. You must have at least three active supplies, installed, functioning and connected to AC. Only one of the PSUs is allowed to be removed while the server is running..</i>
6	Power Supply Unit 4 (Redundant PSU 3+1) <i>*Server requires 3 working PSUs, with 1 redundant PSU. You must have at least three active supplies, installed, functioning and connected to AC. Only one of the PSUs is allowed to be removed while the server is running..</i>
7	Rear System Fan 1
8	Rear System Fan 2
9	Rear System Fan 3
10	Rear System Fan 4
11	Rear System Fan 5

2.6 Control Panel Buttons and LEDs

Front Control Panel



Rear Control Panel



No.	Description
1	UID Button and LED
2	Power Button and LED
3	System Reset Button
4	NMI (Nonmaskable Interrupt) Button
5	HDD Activity LED
6	System Event LED

**Please be noted that certain functions are supported depending on the type of the server board.*

Power Button

Press the power switch button to toggle the system power on and standby/sleep modes.

To remove all power from the system completely, disconnect the power cord from the server.

UID Button

Press the ID button to toggle the front panel UID LED and the baseboard UID LED on and off. You are able to locate the server you're working on from behind a rack of servers.

NMI (Nonmaskable Interrupt) Button

Press the NMI button with a paper clip or pin to generate a nonmaskable interrupt and to put the server in a halt state for examination.

System Reset Button

When the system is completely unresponsive, press the system reset button to reboot the server without shutting it off and initialize the system.

Status LED Definitions

Power LED	
Status	Description
Green	Power on
Off	Power off

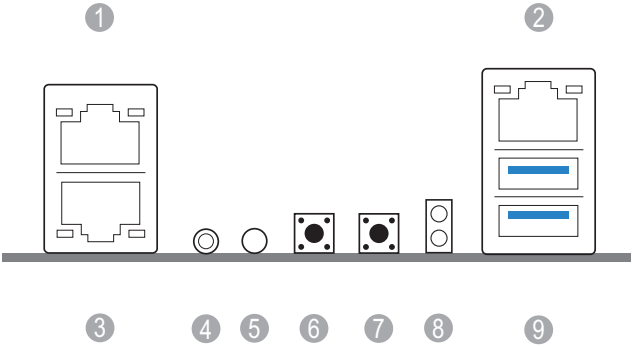
UID LED	
Status	Description
Blue	System identification is active.
Off	System identification is disabled.

HDD Activity LED	
Status	Description
Blinking Green	HDD access
Off	HDD idle

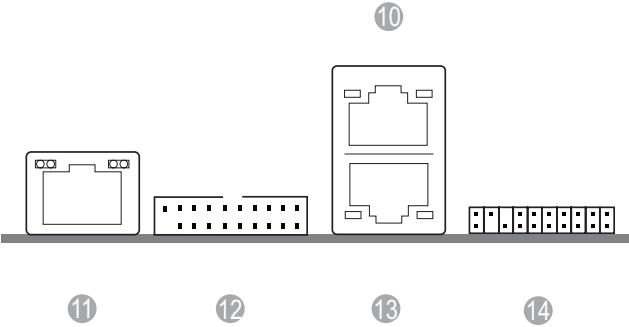
System Event LED	
Status	Description
Off	Running or normal operation
Red	At least one sensor has critical alert

2.7 I/O Ports on the I/O Board (4UXG_IOB)

Rear Side of IOB



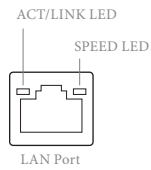
Front Side of IOB



No.	Description	No.	Description
1	1G LAN RJ-45 Port (LAN_1)***	8	HDD/System Event LED (HDD_SYS_LED)
2	IPMI LAN (IPMI_LAN)*	9	USB 3.2 Gen1 Ports (USB3_1_2)
3	UID Button (UID1)	10	1G LAN RJ-45 Port (LAN_2)***
4	1G LAN RJ-45 Port (LAN_3)***	11	IPMI LAN (IPMI1)**
5	Power Button (PWR_BTN1)	12	USB 3.2 Gen1 Header (USB3_1_2)
6	System Reset Button (RST_BTN1)	13	1G LAN RJ-45 Port (LAN_1)***
7	NMI Button (NMI_BTN1)	14	Auxiliary Panel Header (AUX_PANEL1)

LAN Port LED Indications

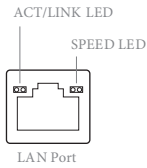
*There are two LED next to the LAN port. Please refer to the table below for the LAN port LED indications.



Dedicated IPMI LAN Port LED Indications

Activity / Link LED		Speed LED	
Status	Description	Status	Description
Off	No Link	Off	10Mbps connection or no link
Blinking Yellow	Data Activity	Yellow	100Mbps connection
On	Link	Green	1Gbps connection

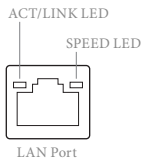
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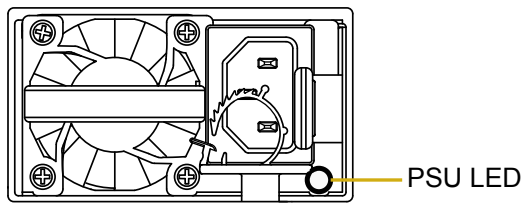
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1G LAN Port LED Indications

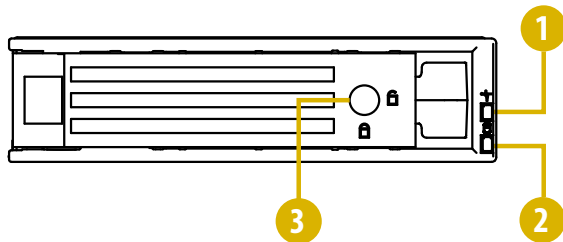
Activity / Link LED		Speed LED	
Status	Description	Status	Description
Off	No Link	Off	10Mbps connection or no link
Blinking Green	Data Activity	Orange	100Mbps connection
On	Link	Green	1Gbps connection

2.8 PSU LED



PSU Status LED	
Status	Description
Green	Normal work; output ON and OK
Amber	Module fault/protection in operating mode (failure, OCP, OVP, Fan Fail, OTP, UVP) AC cord unplugged
Amber blinking at 0.5Hz	Warning (high temp, high power, high current, slow fan)
Green blinking at 0.5Hz	AC Present Only 12VSB on (PS off) or PS in Smart Redundant state

2.9 Drive Tray LEDs & Lock



No.	Description
1	HDD Power LED
2	HDD Activity LED
3	HDD Tray Lock

Status LED Definitions

HDD Power LED

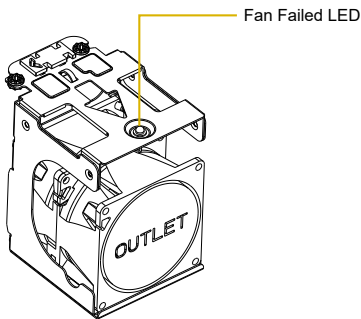
Status	Description
Blue	HDD powered-on
Off	No power to HDD

HDD Activity LED

Status	Description
Solid Green	HDD active
Blinking Green	HDD accessing or reading
Red	HDD failed
Off	HDD powered-off

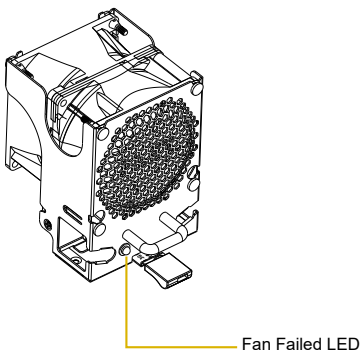
2.10 Fan Failed LED

Middel Fan



Fan LED	
Status	Description
Solid Red	Fan failed
Off	Normal

Rear Fan



Fan LED	
Status	Description
Solid Red	Fan failed
Off	Normal

Chapter 3 Hardware Installation and Maintenance

This chapter helps you assemble the chassis and install components.

Before You Begin

Before you work with the server, pay close attention to the “Important Safety Instructions” at the beginning of this manual.

1. Make sure the server is powered off.

Power down the server if it is still running.

- (1) Press the Power button to power off the server from full-power mode to standby-power (sleep) mode. The Power LED at the front turns from solid green to blinking green.
- (2) Disconnect the power cord first from the AC outlet and then from the server.
The power LED turns off.



The server is not completely powered down when you press the Power button on the front panel. The Power button lets the server toggle between Power On and Standby (Sleep) modes. Some internal circuitry remain active in the Standby mode. To remove all power from the system completely, be sure to disconnect the power cord from the server.

2. Ensure you have a clean and stable working environment. Avoid dust and dirt because contaminants may cause malfunctions.
3. Ground yourself properly before touching any system component. A discharge of static electricity may damage components. Wear a grounded wrist strap if available.

Installing Procedures

The followings are prerequisite to be installed.

- 3.5" or 2.5" HDD(s)
- Power Supply Units (Pre-installed)
- System Fans (Pre-installed)
- Server Board (Pre-installed)
- HDD Backplane (Pre-installed)
- Switch Board (Pre-installed)
- Power Distribution Board (Pre-installed)



1. Some components are already pre-installed. Simply properly connect the relevant cables before or after installation. See the Quick Installation Guide for more details.
2. Refer to the user manual of the server board you use for instructions on how to install server board components.

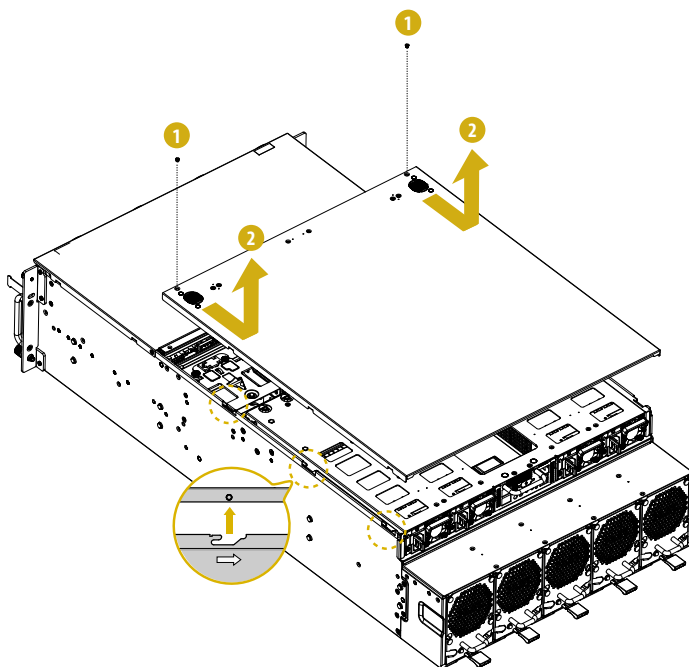
3.1 Server Top Cover

Removing the Server Top Covers

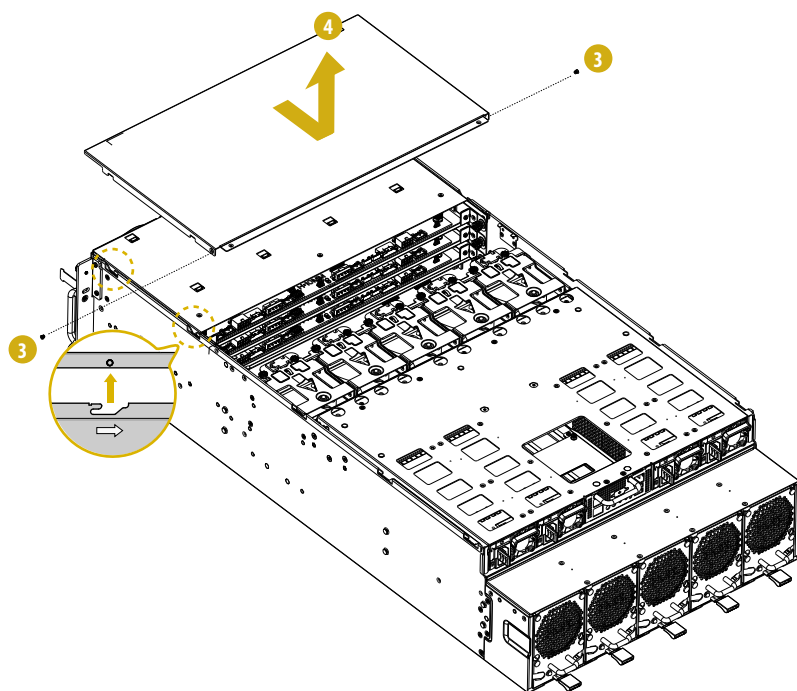


1. Before removing the top covers, power off the server and unplug the power cord.
2. The system must be operated with all the chassis top covers installed to ensure proper cooling.

1. Remove the screws that secure the top rear cover to the chassis.
2. Press the tabs and push straight back to remove the cover from the locked position. Then lift up and remove the cover.

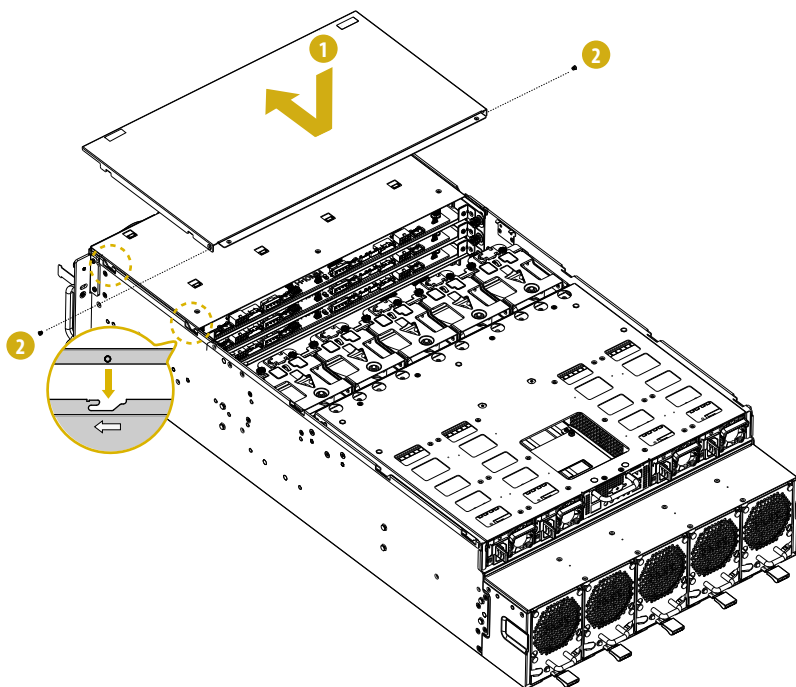


3. Remove the screws that secure the top front cover to the chassis.
4. Push straight back to remove the cover from the locked position. Then lift up and remove the cover.

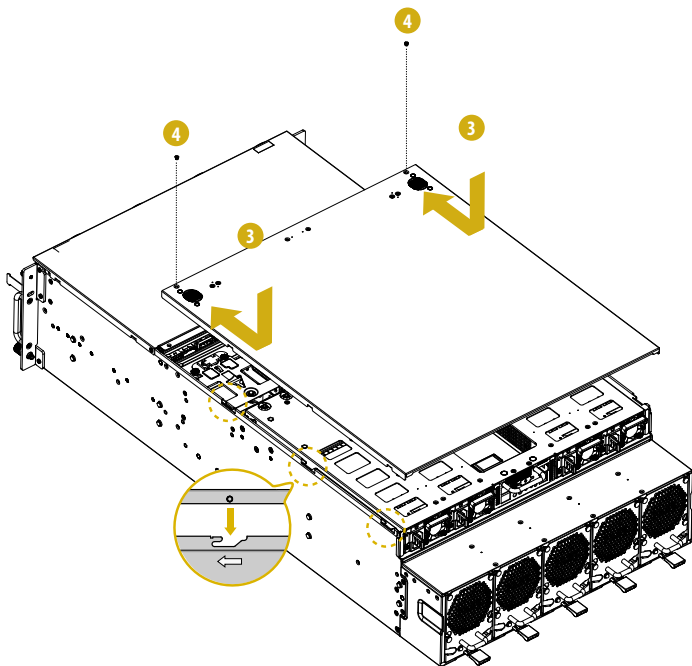


Installing the Server Top Covers

1. Lower the top front cover on the chassis, making sure the side latches align with the cutouts.
2. Slide the top cover toward the FRONT of the chassis. Then secure the top cover with the screws.



3. Lower the top rear cover on the chassis, making sure the side latches align with the cutouts.
4. Slide the top cover toward the FRONT of the chassis. Then secure the top cover with the screws.



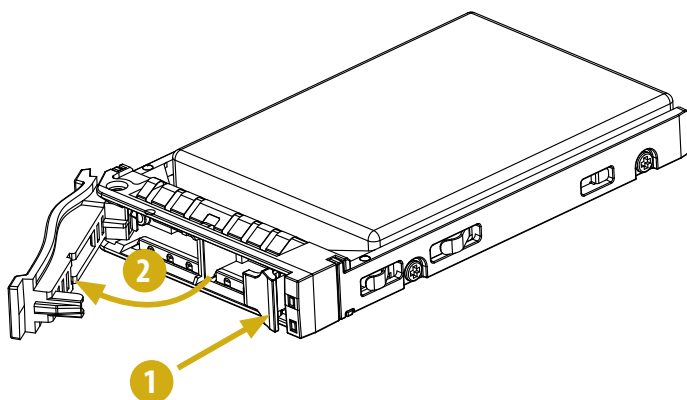
3.2 Hard Drive

3.2.1 Installing a Hard Disk Drive into 2.5" or 3.5" Hard Drive Tray

The system supports hot-swappable 3.5" or 2.5" hard drives. The hard drive trays are located on the front of the chassis.

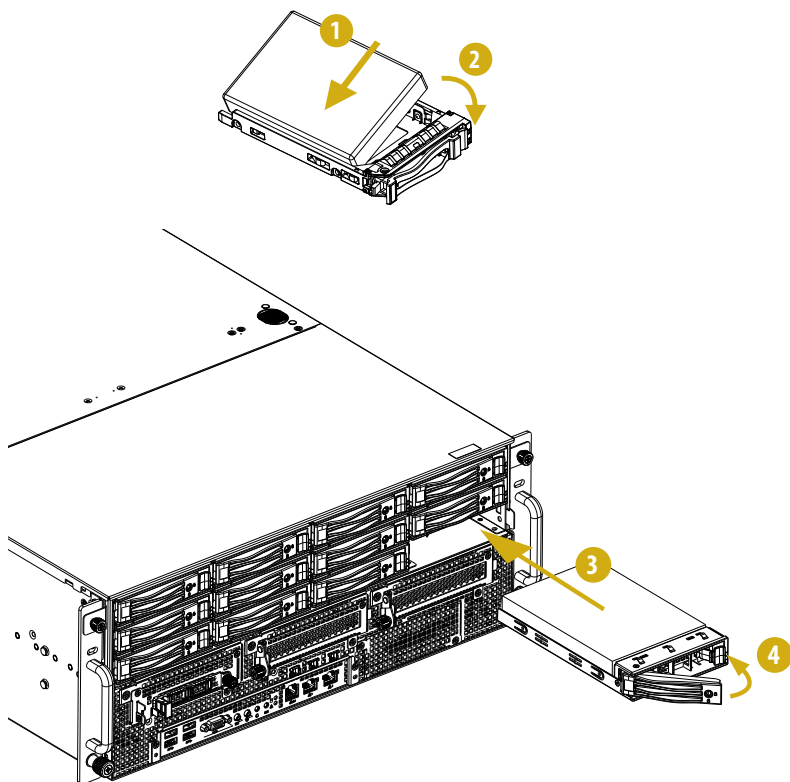
Removing Hard Drive Trays from the Chassis

1. Press the locking lever latch on the drive tray to unlock the retention lever.
2. Rotate the lever out and away from the module bay and pull the hard drive out of the HDD tray.



Installing a Hard Drive to the Hard Drive Tray

1. Engage two embossed pins into the side dimples on the tray.
2. Carefully push down the other side of the tray until the other two embossed pins and side dimples lock into place.
3. Slide the drive tray into the HDD bay until the drive is fully seated.
4. Push in the locking lever to lock the HDD tray into place.



3.3 Power Supply

The system can accommodate four AC or two DC power supplies in the bay at the rear of the chassis. Each unit provides up to 1600 Watts (200V AC) of power. Three power supplies are required for full load operation, with the fourth power supply purely as a redundant, load-sharing backup. It can be removed without affecting system operation.

Installing and Removing the Power Supply

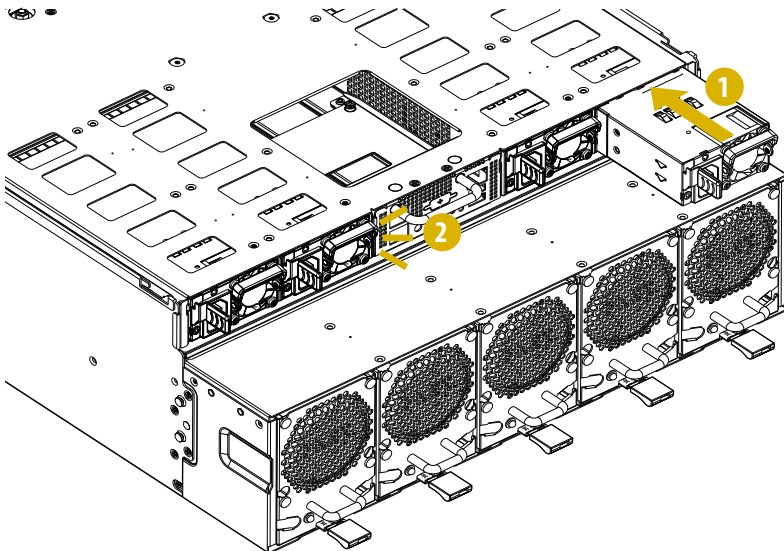


Before replacing the power supply, power off the server, unplug the power cord, and disconnect all wiring from the power supply.

Installing the Power Supply Unit

Align the power supply unit with the power supply slot. Ensure that the LED appears on the lower right when you are installing the power supply unit.

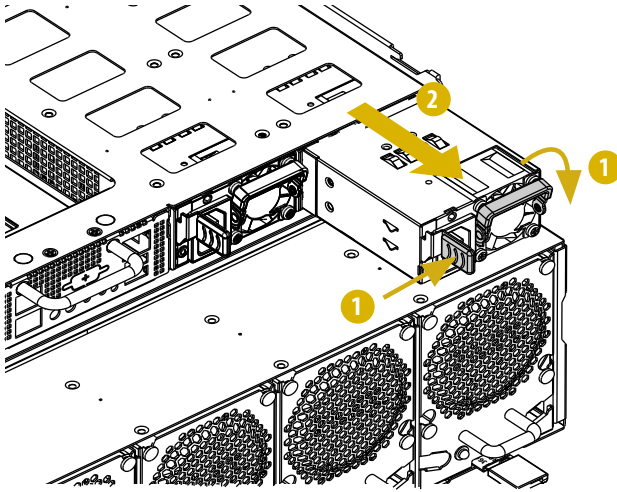
1. Carefully slide the PSU all the way into the power supply bay.
2. Make sure the power supply clicks into place and is well installed.



Removing the Power Supply Unit

To remove a failed power supply, identify the failed power supply by checking the power supply LEDs on the PSU.

1. Hold onto the power supply handle while pressing the locking lever towards the power supply handle.
2. Pull to remove the power supply from the chassis.



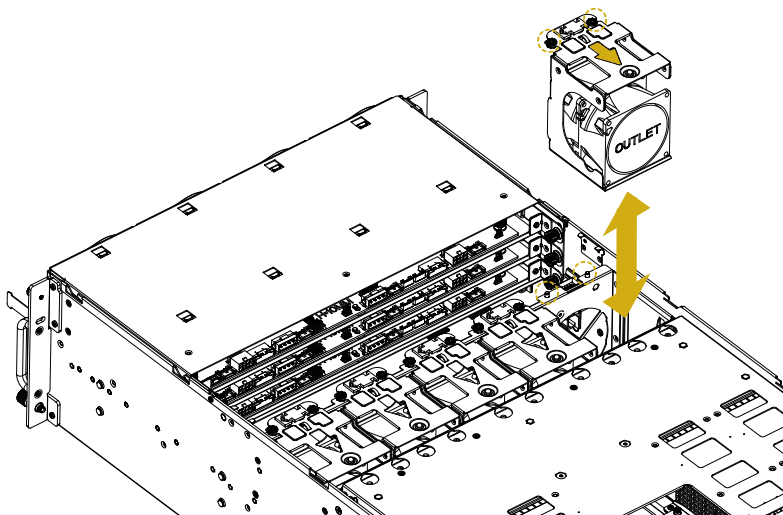
1. Before replacing the power supply, power off the server, unplug the power cord, and disconnect all wiring from the power supply.
2. In a redundant system, you do not need to power down the server.

3.4 System Fan

The system supports hot-swappable system fans.

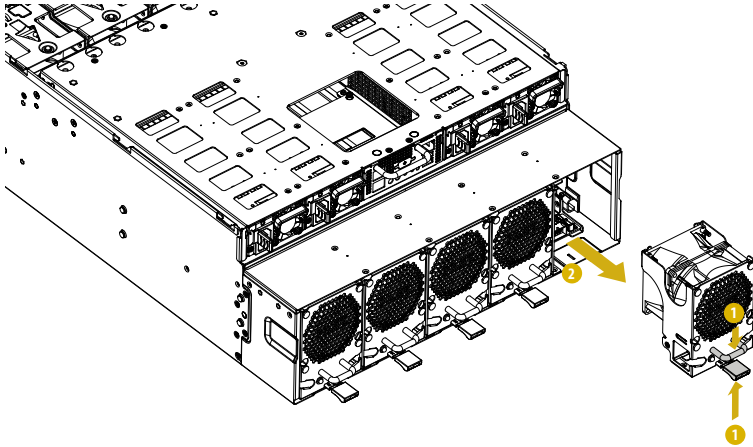
Replacing the System Fan (Middle)

1. Lift to remove the failed fan.
2. Align the mounting holes on the replacement fan corners with the fan mounts on the fan bracket.
3. Make sure the arrow on the fan pointed to the REAR of the chassis.
4. Gently place the fan onto the mounts.
5. Make sure the fan is well seated.

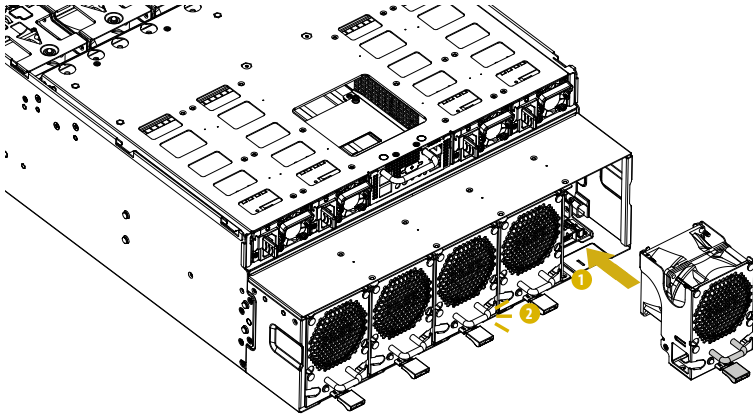


Replacing the System Fan (Rear)

1. Hold onto the fan handle while pressing the locking lever towards the handle.
2. Pull to remove the failed fan.



3. Carefully slide the fan all the way into the rear fan bay.
4. Make sure the fan clicks into place and is well installed.



3.5 GPU Card

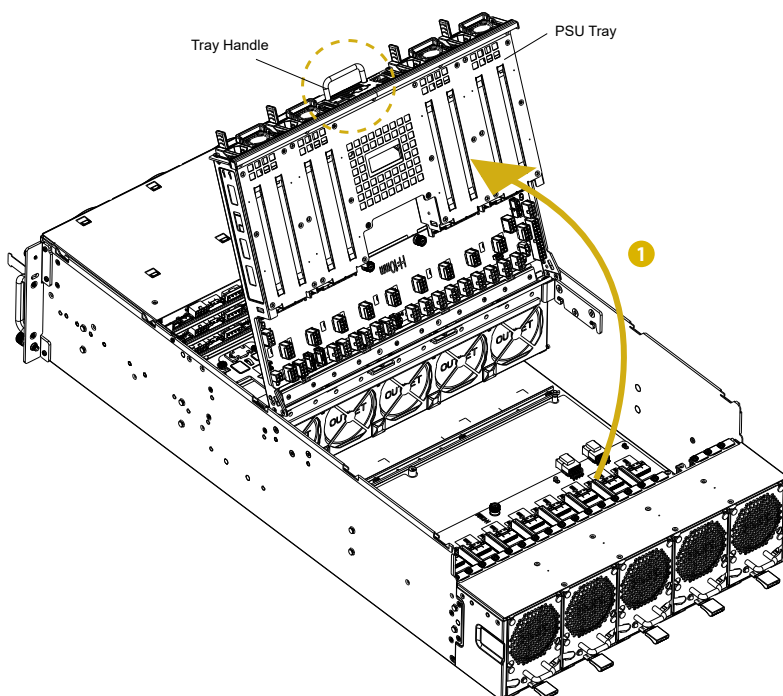
Installing and Removing the GPU Card



The GPU cards are located under the power supplies.

Before accessing any GPU cards, make sure you power off the server and properly open the PSU tray.

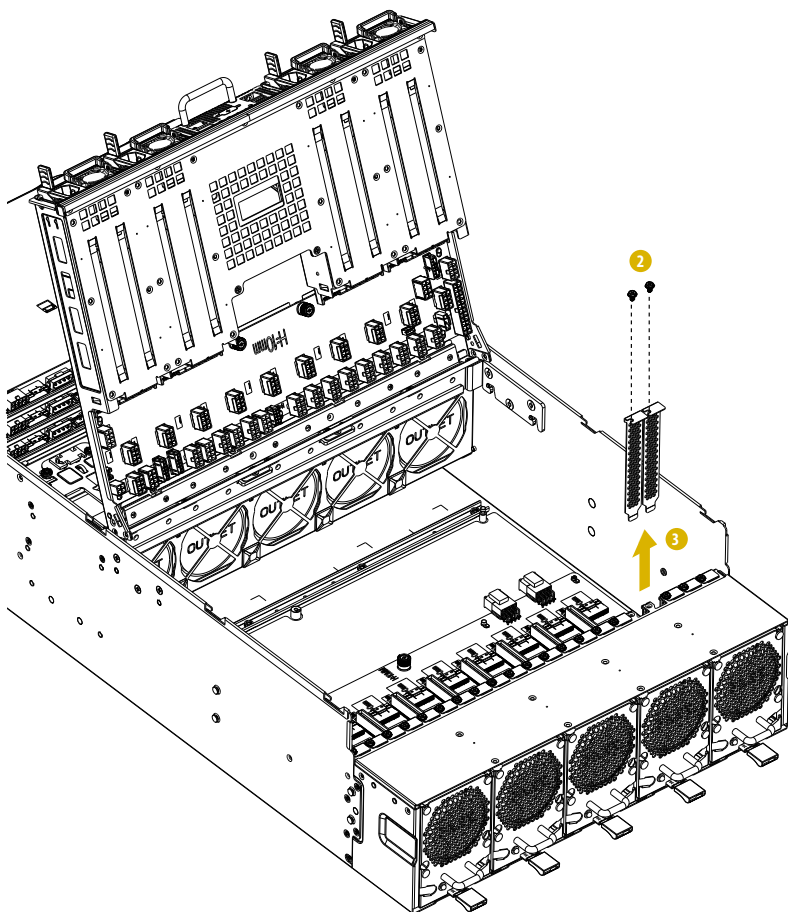
1. Hold on to the PSU tray handle and then open the tray.



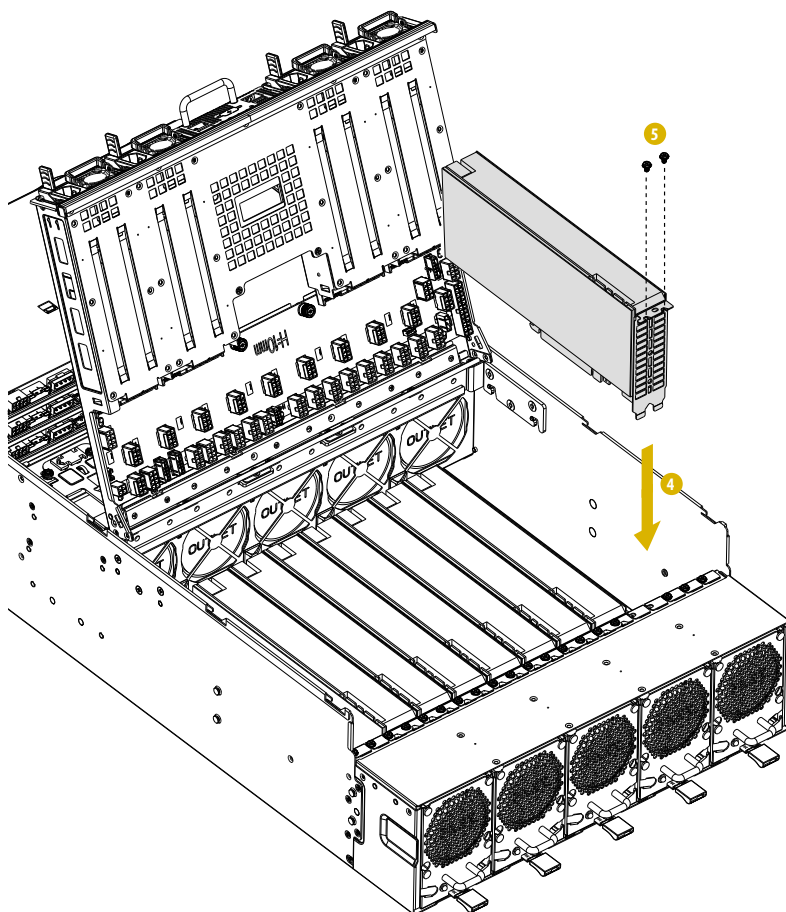
2. Remove the screws securing the covers in place for the slots you want to use. Keep this screw for later use

Note: Remove one slot cover for a single-width card; remove two slot covers for a double-width card.

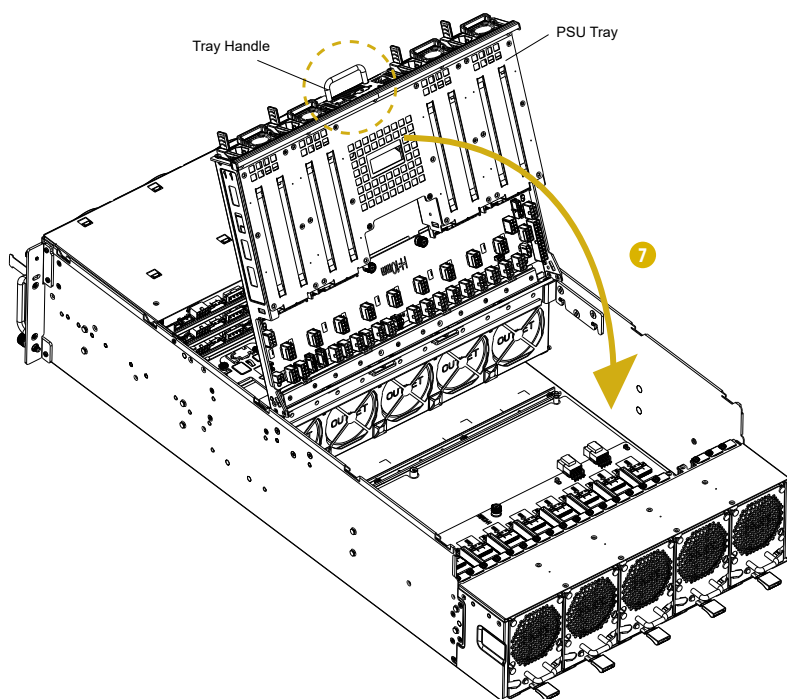
3. Lift to remove the blanking plates.



4. Align the GPU card with the slot and insert it into place.
5. Secure the card to the chassis using the screws previously removed.



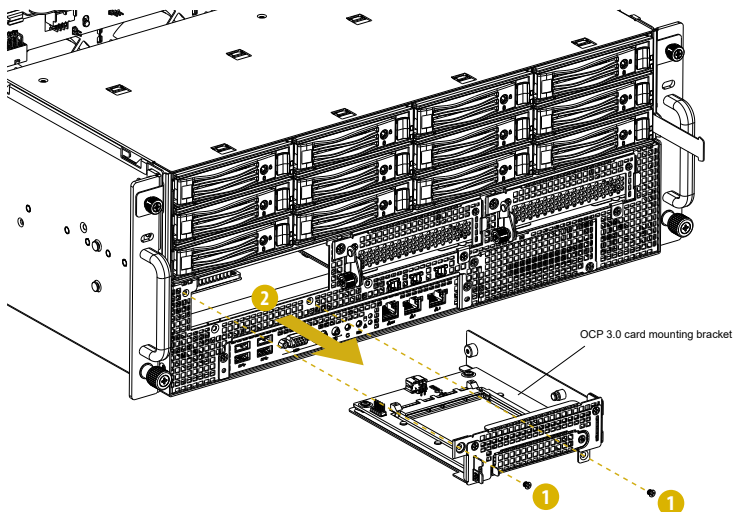
6. Close the PSU tray.



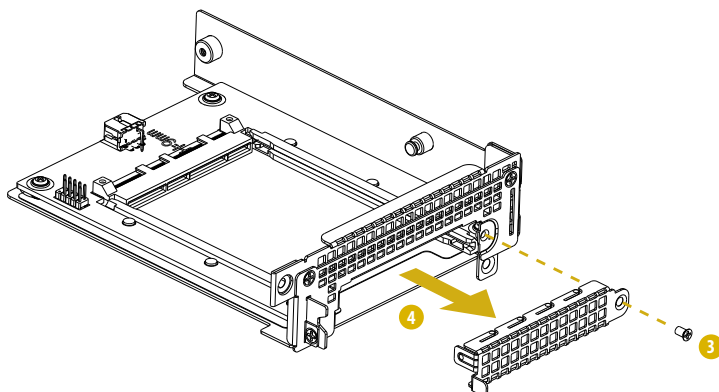
3.6 OCP 3.0 Card

Installing the OCP 3.0 Card to the Chassis

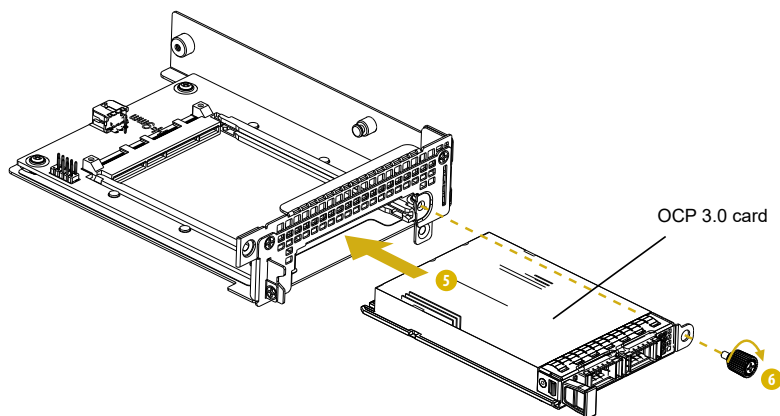
1. Release the screws that secure the OCP 3.0 card mounting bracket to the chassis. Keep the screws for later use.
2. Remove the OCP 3.0 card mounting bracket.



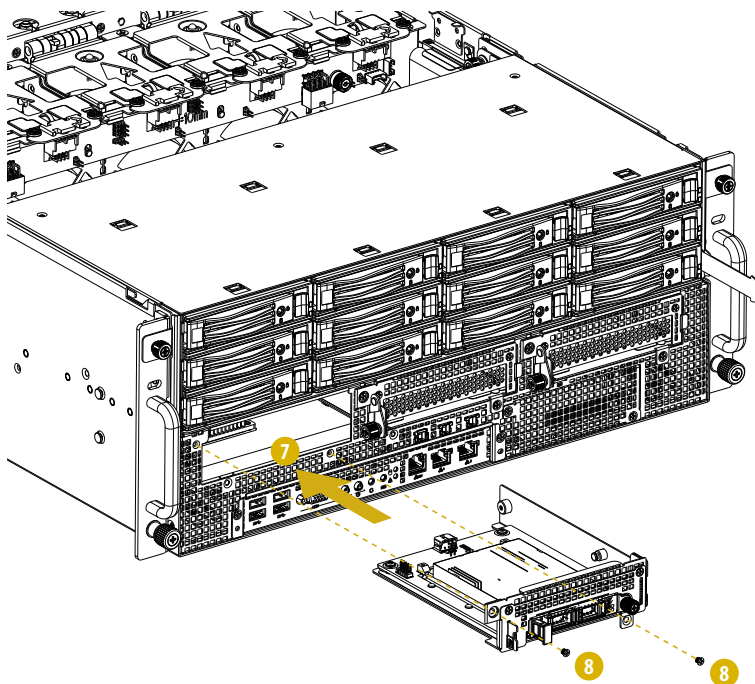
3. Remove the screw that secures the slot cover to the bracket.
4. Remove the slot cover.



5. Insert the OCP 3.0 card into the slot. Push it all the way in and make sure it is well installed.
6. Hand-tighten the thumbscrew to secure the OCP 3.0 card to the bracket.



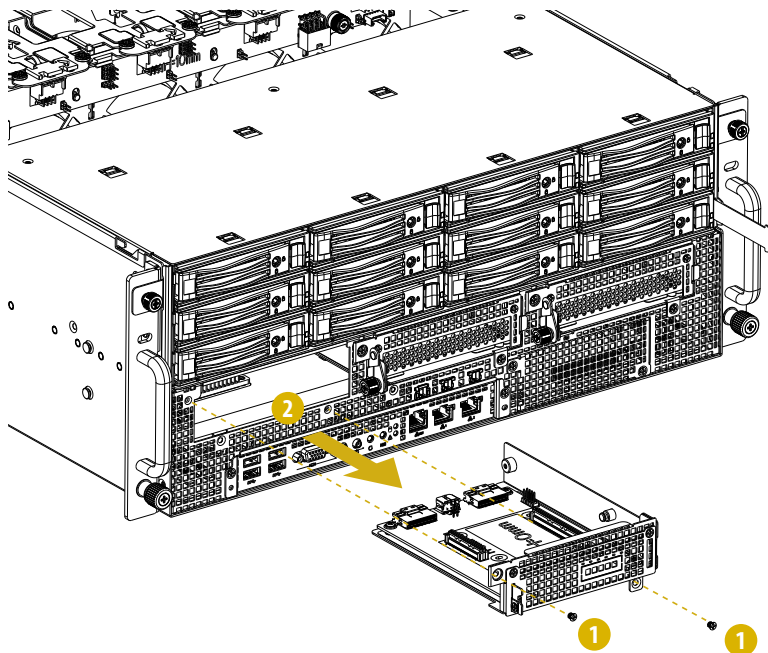
7. Insert the OCP 3.0 Card assembly into the slot. Push it all the way in and make sure it is well installed.
8. Tighten the screws to secure the OCP 3.0 card assembly to the chassis.



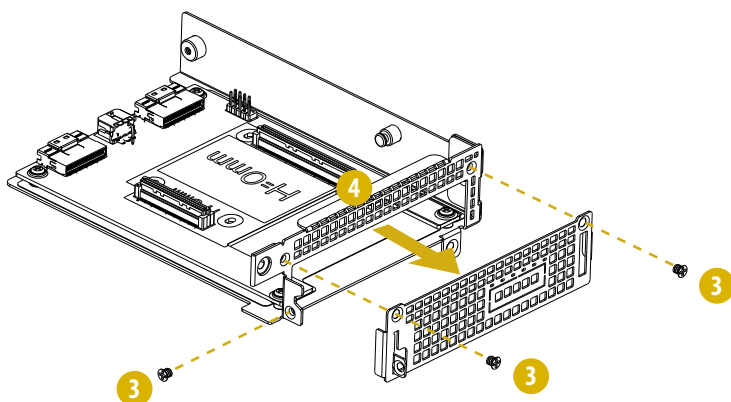
3.7 Mezzanine Card (Optional)

Installing a Mezzanine Card

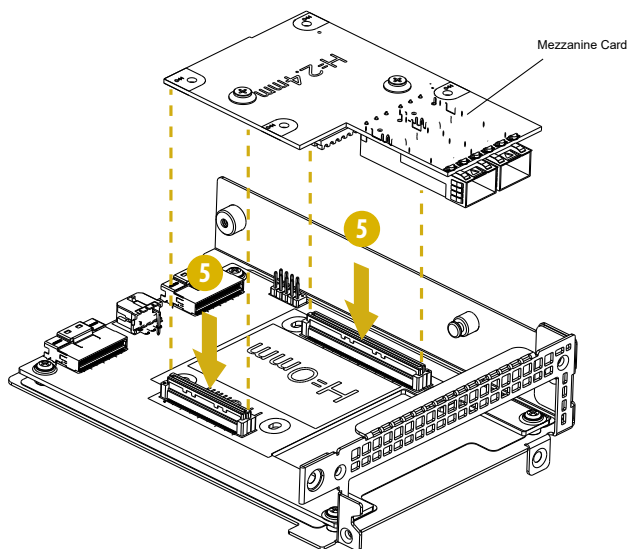
1. Release the screws that secure the mezzanine card mounting assembly to the chassis.
Keep the screws for later use.
2. Pull to remove the mezzanine card mounting assembly.



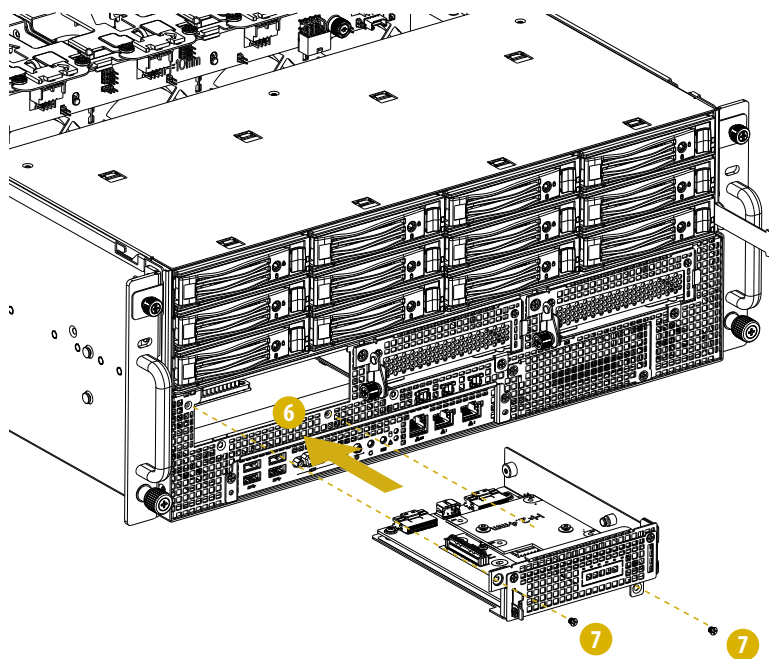
3. Release the screws that secure the slot cover to the assembly.
4. Remove the slot cover.



5. Install the mezzanine card to the mezzanine slots in the assembly. Make sure mezzanine card is securely seated in the mezzanine connectors.



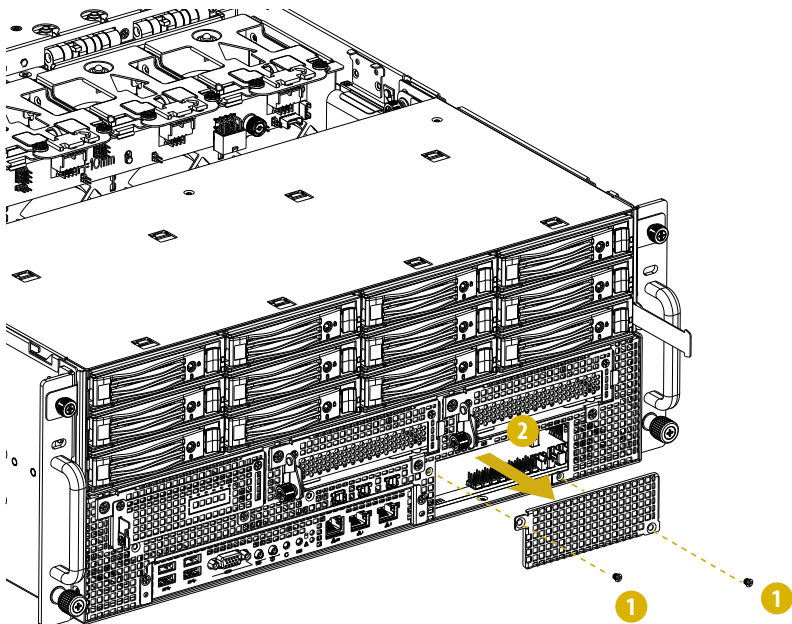
6. Insert the mezzanine card assembly into the slot.
7. Use screws to secure the mezzanine card assembly to the chassis.



3.8 LCM (4U8G-ROME2/2T-24S only)

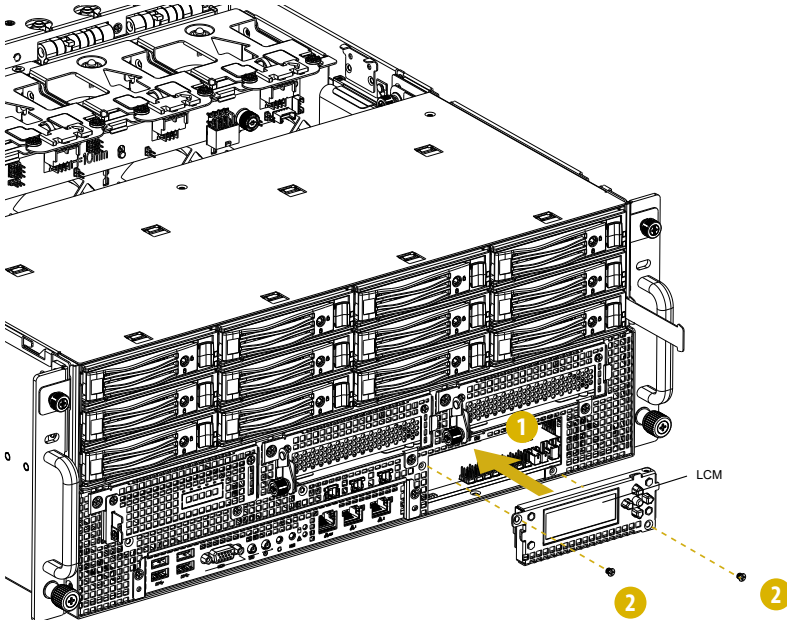
Removing the Blanking Plate

1. Loosen the screws that secure the blanking plate on the chassis. Keep the screws for later use.
2. Remove the blanking plate from the chassis.



Installing a LCM (Liquid Crystal Display Module)

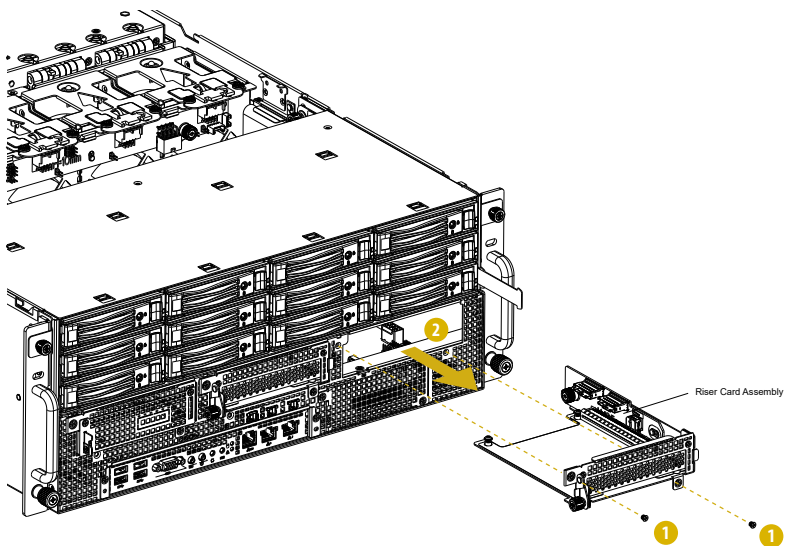
1. Install a liquid crystal display module to the front of the chassis.
2. Use screws to secure the it in place.



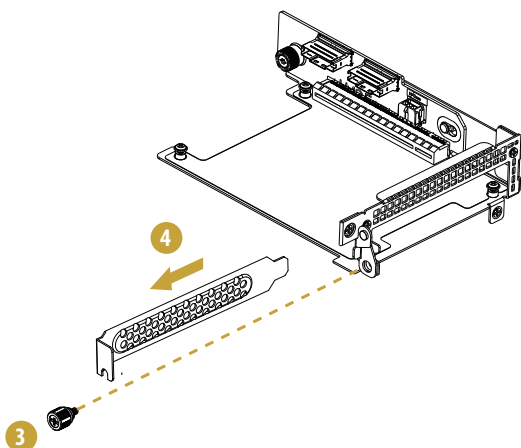
3.9 Add-on Card

Removing the PCIe Riser Card Assembly from the Chassis

1. Loosen the screws on the riser card assembly.
2. Pull to remove the riser card assembly from the chassis.

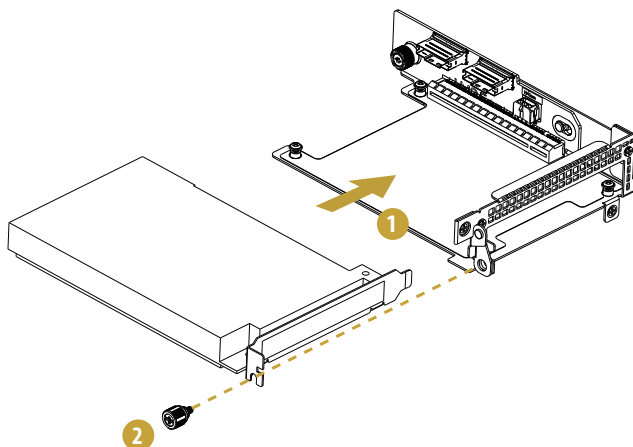


3. Remove the screw securing the blanking plate to the assembly.
4. Slide the blanking plate out sideways.

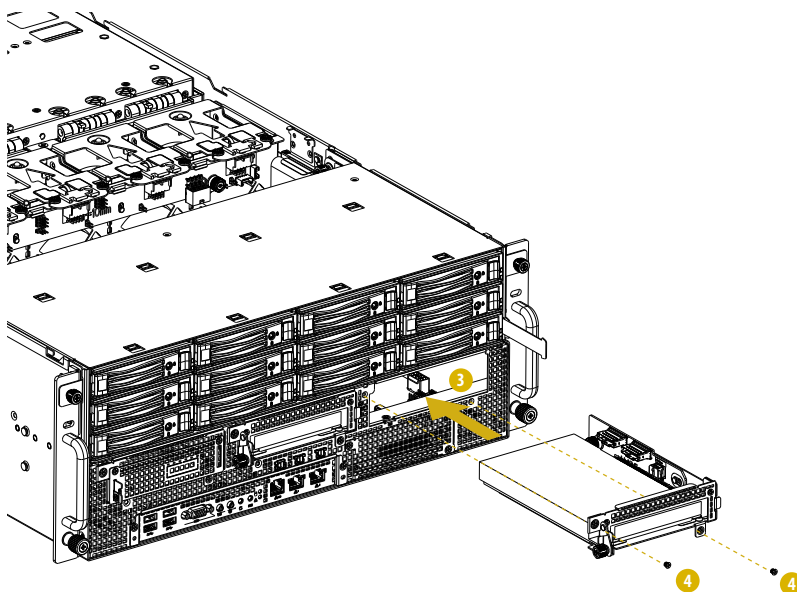


Installing the PCIe Add-on Card

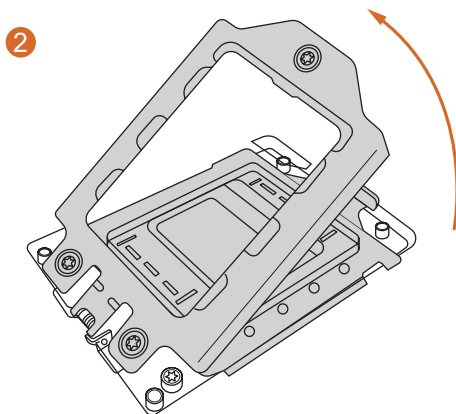
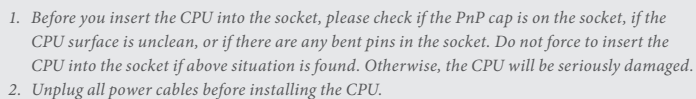
1. Install a PCIe add-on card in the riser card assembly. Make sure that the PCIe card is correctly seated.
2. Tighten the screw to secure the PCIe card to the riser card assembly.



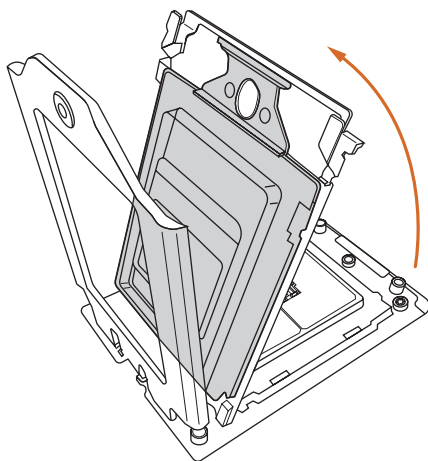
3. Insert the add-on card assembly into the slot on the front of the chassis.
4. Use screws to secure it to the chassis.



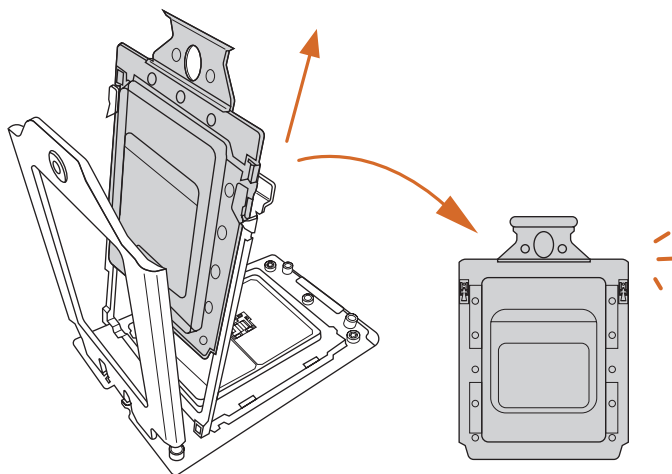
Installing the CPU



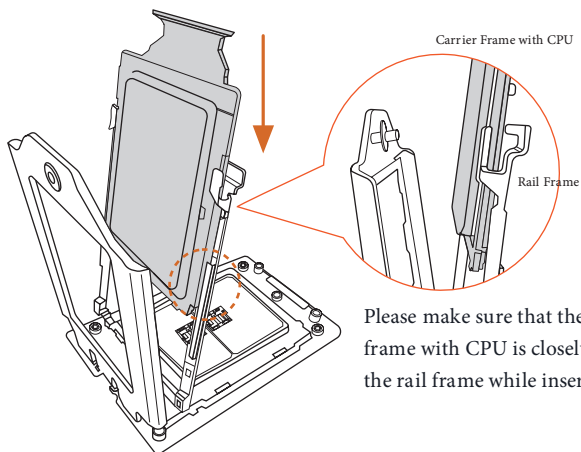
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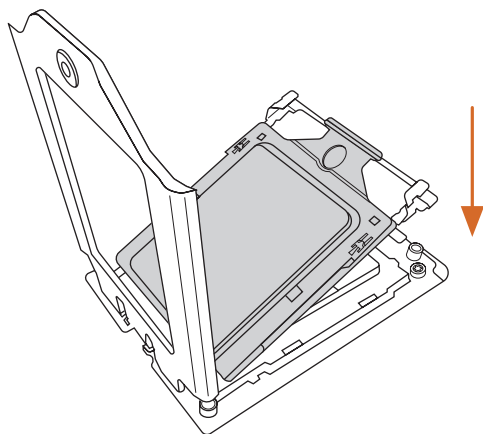


Please make sure that the carrier frame with CPU is closely attached to the rail frame while inserting it.

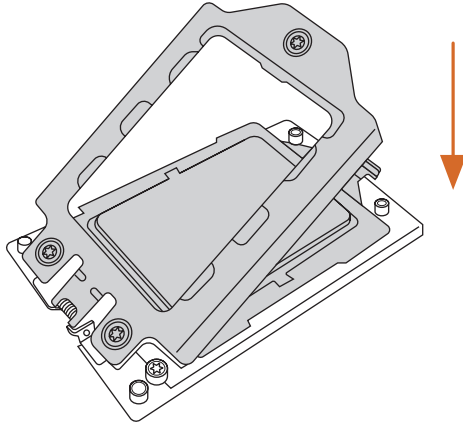


Install the carrier frame with CPU. Don't separate them.

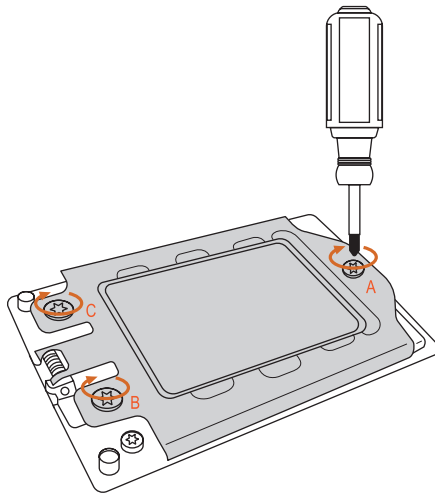
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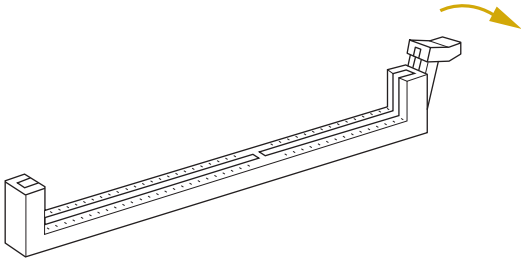


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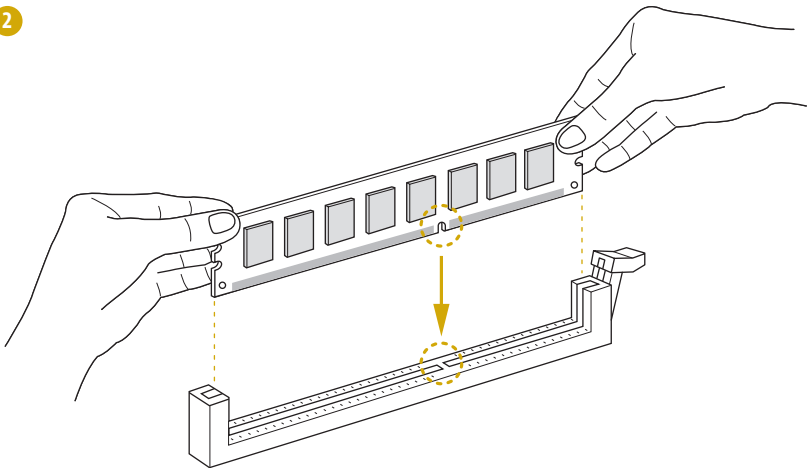


Installation of Memory Modules (DIMM)

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