



SSD7101A-1

4x M.2 Port to PCIe 3.0x16 NVMe RAID Controller



Quick Installation Guide

V1.04

System Requirements

PC Requirements

- System with an empty x16 PCIe 3.0 slot
(Please refer to the SSD7101A-1 [compatibility list](#).)
- Windows 10 or later
- Linux Kernel 3.19 or later
- macOS 10.13 and later

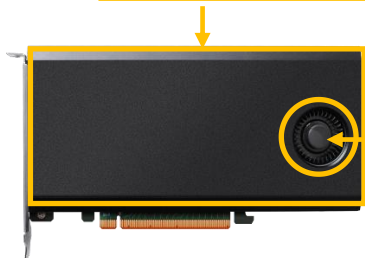
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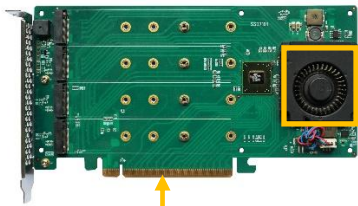
SSD7101A-1 Hardware

Front View

Aluminum casing with integrated thermal pad



Intake for cooling fan

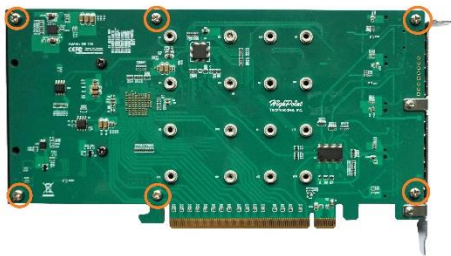


Low-Noise cooling fan

PCIe 3.0 x16 Host Interface

Hardware Installation:

Step 1. On the rear of the SSD7101A-1, remove the six screws that secure the unit's front panel to the PCB.

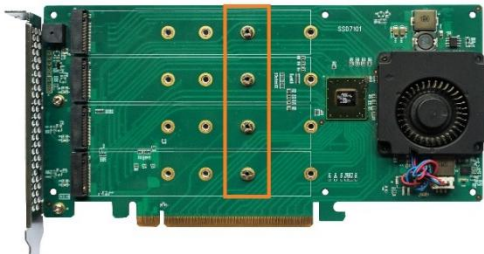


After removing the screws, carefully remove the front panel from the SSD7101A-1.

Step 2. After removing the casing, carefully turn it over to view the thermal pad. The blue film must be removed from the pad before reinstalling the panel. This film protects the pad from damage and foreign objects prior to installation, however, it can also prevent the thermal pad from conducting the heat away from the NVMe SSD's if we don't remove it.



Step 3. These 4 screws are used to install the NVMe SSD's.



Step 4. The SSDs should be installed from top to bottom. Remove the top screw.



Step 5. Gently insert the SSD into the slot.



Note: Please make sure all disks are clean before you insert them into the slot to avoid unexpected situations.

Step 6. Refasten the screw to secure the SSD.



Repeat Steps 4 to 6 to install the remaining SSDs.

Note: Make sure the SSD's are carefully, but securely installed into each M.2 port. Loose connections can cause a variety of stability and performance issues, and may ultimately result in data loss.

Step 7. Replace the front panel after installing all SSDs.

Step 8. On the rear of the SSD7101A-1, refasten the 6 screws that were removed in step 1.



Note: Make sure the aluminum cover is properly aligned with the controller board (PCB), and that it makes full contact with the thermal pad, before refastening it to the SSD7101A-1. If the cover is improperly installed, the fan and thermal pad will be unable to

sufficiently cool the NVMe SSD's and controller componentry, which may result in damage to the SSD's or controller hardware, performance loss, unstable I/O, and the loss of data.

Resources

We recommend visiting the SSD7101A-1 Product Resources Page for the latest documentation:

Document Downloads:

https://www.highpoint-tech.com/USA_new/series-ssd7101a-1-resource.htm

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