

Premium PCI-to-Ultra SCSI Performance and Easy Connectivity

Overview

The AHA-2940UW Dual PCI-to-Ultra SCSI host adapters integrate two processors on a single chip: one dedicated to internal SCSI devices and one dedicated to external SCSI devices. This unique dual-processor architecture adds up to multiple advantages: double the peak throughput between SCSI peripherals and the PCI bus; double the maximum peripheral connections; simultaneous use of all three board connectors; twice the cable length for more configuration flexibility; and improved ease-of-use.

Key Benefits

Premium Dual-Processor Performance The AHA-2940UW Dual host adapters feature two independent 20 MIPS RISC processors that regulate high-speed data transfer over the Ultra SCSI bus. By dedicating separate processors to external and internal devices, these host adapters effectively double the maximum throughput. The AHA-2940UW Dual/NE host adapter delivers data transfer rates up to 40 MByte/sec for internal devices plus 20 MByte/sec for external devices. Featuring a 16-bit Wide interface internally and externally, the AHA-2940UW Dual/WE host adapter achieves data rates up to 40 MByte/sec for internal devices plus 40 MByte/sec for external devices.

Added Flexibility and Mistake Resiliency These dual-processor host adapters extend connectivity beyond the limits of single-processor host adapters. Providing independent internal and external cabling, they effectively double the maximum cable length – 3 meters for internal devices plus 3 meters for external devices. They can also connect many more peripherals, up to 15 internal and 15 external SCSI devices. All this extra cabling headroom means the potential for cabling headaches is greatly reduced.

Cabling Simplicity and System Safety With the AHA-2940UW Dual host adapters, adding peripherals is simple and safe. Internal and external cabling is completely independent, so users don't have to open up the system box when adding external devices. Since all three board connectors can be used simultaneously, the need for expensive, unreliable, and often hard-to-find cable adapters is eliminated in most configurations. And because internal and external devices are completely isolated, out-of-spec external cables or devices won't necessarily crash the system, which can result in timeconsuming technical assistance calls.

Unparalleled Compatibility

All Adaptec host adapters are rigorously tested with hundreds of different SCSI peripherals and systems, which makes them the most compatible and reliable host adapters in the marketplace. The AHA-2940UW Dual host adapters are fully compatible with all popular desktop and network operating systems.

Product Highlights

- Two independent 20 MIPS processors for isolation of internal and external devices
- Double the aggregate data transfer rate: up to 40 MByte/sec for internal devices and 40 MByte/sec for external devices (AHA-2940UW Dual/WE)
- Support for up to 15 external and 15 internal devices (AHA-2940UW Dual/WE)
- Double the cable length: 3 meters for internal devices and 3 meters for external devices

AHA-2940UW DUAL FAMILY

Adaptec, Inc.	Technical Specifications	
691 South Milpitas Boulevard	Computer Bus:	PCI 2.1 compliant local bus
Milpitas, California 95035	Interface Protocol:	Bus master DMA
Tel: (408) 945-8600	Host Bus Burst Data Rate:	133 MByte/sec
Fax: (408) 262-2533	Peripherial Bus:	8-bit and 16-bit Wide Ultra SCSI
	•	8-bit and 10-bit while Offra SCSI
Adaptec Europe - Belgium	SCSI Synchronous Data Rate:	
Tel: (32) 2-352-34-11 Fax: (32) 2-352-34-00	AHA-2940UW Dual/NE	Up to 40 MByte/sec for internal devices and
rax. (32) 2-332-34-00		20 MByte/sec for external devices
Adaptec Japan - Tokyo	AHA-2940UW Dual/WE	Up to 40 MByte/sec for internal devices and
Tel: (81) 3-5365-6700		40 MByte/sec for external devices
Fax: (81) 3-5365-6950	SCSI Asynchronous Data Rate:	6 MByte/sec
	Device Protocol:	SCSI-1, SCSI-2, SCSI-3 (Ultra SCSI)
Adaptec Singapore	Advanced SCSI Features:	Multithreaded I/O (up to 255 tasks simultaneously)
Tel: (65) 278-7300		Scatter-gather
Fax: (65) 273-0163		Disconnect/reconnect
1.14		Tagged command queuing
Literature:		Synchronous and asynchronous data transfer
1-800-934-2766 (USA and Canada) or (510) 732-3829	Connectors:	Synchronous and asynchronous data transfer
	AHA-2940UW Dual/NE	Internal high density 68-pin, internal 50-pin,
Pre-Sales Support:	(Narrow External Connector)	external high density 50-pin
1-800-442-7274 (USA and Canada)	``````````````````````````````````````	0 5 1
or (408) 957-7274	AHA-2940UW Dual/WE	Internal high density 68-pin, internal 50-pin,
	(Wide External Connector)	external high density 68-pin
World Wide Web:		
http://www.adaptec.com	Hard Disk Capacity:	Extended translation supports drive capacity up
Internet ftp server: ftp.adaptec.com	¥ 5	to 8 GBytes per disk
Adaptec USA Bulletin Board	Device Support:	5 1
Service (BBS): (408) 945-7727 (up to 28,800 baud, using 8 bits,	AHA-2940UW Dual/NE	Up to 15 internal devices and 7 external devices
1 stop bit, no parity)	AHA-2940UW Dual/WE	Up to 15 internal devices and 15 external devices
	Electrical Termination:	Automatic, active, programmable via SCSISelect [®]
Interactive Fax: (303) 684-3400		Microsoft [®] Windows [®] 3.1, DOS, Windows NT [®] ,
	Operating Environment:	
		Windows 95, OS/2 2.x and 3.x, NetWare 3.12 and
		4.x, SCO UNIX 3.2.x, and UnixWare 1.x and 2.x
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Gadaptec	Physical and Environmental Specifications	

Physical and Environmental Specifications

Length:
Height:
Operating Temperature:
Storage Temperature:
Humidity (operating):
MTBF*:

6.875 inches (17.46 cm) 4.2 inches (10.67 cm) 0°C to 55°C -55°C to 85°C 10% to 90%, non-condensing

AHA-2940UW Dual/NE 350,569.1 hours AHA-2940UW Dual/WE

328.057.8 hours *per Bellcore TR-NWT-000332, Issue 4, Method 1

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Microsoft

Windows 95









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