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### 2x M.2 NGFF SSD RAID Controller Card plus 2x SATA Ports

PEXM2SAT3422



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# Introduction

#### Packaging contents

- 1 x M.2 SSD RAID controller card
- 1 x low-profile bracket
- 2 x M.2 mounting screws
- 1 x quick start guide

### System requirements

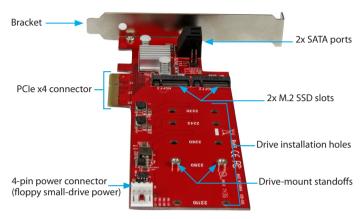
- Computer enabled with PCI Express® and an available PCI Express x4, x8, or x16 slot
- Any of the following operating systems:
  - Windows® 10 (32-bit or 64-bit)
  - Windows 8.1 (32-bit or 64-bit)
  - Windows 8 (32-bit or 64-bit)
  - Windows 7 (32-bit or 64-bit)
  - Windows Server® 2012
  - Windows Server 2008 R2
  - Mac OS 10.8 and later (tested up to 10.11)
  - Linux<sup>®</sup> 3.5

System requirements are subject to change. For the latest requirements, please visit <u>www.startech.com/PEXM2SAT3422</u>.



## Product diagram

#### Rear view



## Installation

#### Install a drive

Warning! Drives and PCIe cards should be handled carefully, especially when they're transported. If you're not careful with your drives, you may lose data as a result. Make sure that you're properly grounded by wearing an anti-static strap when you install any computer component. If an anti-static strap isn't available, touch a large grounded metal surface for several seconds to discharge any built-up static electricity.

- By default, the PEXM2SAT3422 comes with the drive-mount standoffs preinstalled in the 2280 position. Depending on the length of your drive, you may need to move the preinstalled drive-mount standoffs. Place your drive next to the card and note the drive installation holes that match the height of your drive. If the drive-mount standoffs are already installed in the correct position, proceed to step 4.
- 2. Use a screwdriver (not included) to remove the screws on the reverse side of the card that are holding the drive-mount standoffs in place.
- Place the screws and drive-mount standoffs that you removed in step 2 in the drive installation holes that match the length of your drive and use a screwdriver to tighten the screws on the reverse side of the card.



4. Gently slide the M.2 connector on your drive into the corresponding connector on the PEXM2SAT3422.

Note: The connector on your drive is keyed so that it only fits one way.

- 5. Place one of the included M.2 mounting screws in the drive-mount standoff and use a screwdriver to tighten the screw and hold the drive in place.
- 6. If necessary, insert a second drive.

To remove a drive, use a screwdriver to remove the M.2 mounting screw that is holding the drive in place and pull the drive out of the PEXM2SAT3422.

#### Install the PCIe card

Warning! PCIe cards can be severely damaged by static electricity. If an anti-static strap isn't available, discharge any built-up static electricity by touching a large grounded metal surface for several seconds.

- 1. Turn off your computer and any devices or peripherals that are connected to it (for example, printers, external storage, and so on).
- 2. Unplug the power cable from the back of your computer.
- 3. Disconnect any peripheral devices that are connected to your computer.
- 4. Remove the cover from your computer case. Consult the documentation that came with your computer for details about how to do this safely.
- Locate an open PCIe slot and remove the corresponding metal cover plate from the back of your computer case. Consult the documentation that came with your computer for details about how to do this safely. This card works in PCIe slots of x4, x8, or x16 lanes.
- 6. Gently insert the card into the open PCIe slot and fasten the bracket to the back of the case.

**Note:** If you install the card into a small form factor or a low-profile desktop system, it may be necessary to replace the preinstalled standard-profile bracket with the included low-profile (half-height) installation bracket.

- 7. As necessary, connect SATA cables from the SATA ports on the card to the SATA drives inside of your computer.
- 8. Connect a 4-pin floppy power connector (small drive power).
- 9. Place the cover back onto your computer case.
- 10. Reconnect the power cable to the back of your computer.
- 11. Reconnect all of the peripheral devices that you disconnected in step 3.
- 12. Turn on your computer.



### Install a driver

- To download the latest drivers, use a Web browser and navigate to <u>www.startech.</u> <u>com/PEXM2SAT3422</u>.
- 2. Click the Support tab.
- 3. Download the driver.
- 4. When the download is complete, extract the contents of the compressed file that you downloaded.
- 5. Double-click the appropriate driver for the version of operating system that you're running and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation.

Note: You may be asked to restart your computer to complete the installation.

### **Confirm installation**

- 1. On your computer, navigate to Device Manager.
- 2. Under Storage Controllers, right-click Marvel 92xx and click Properties.
- Check to make sure that the device is installed and working correctly. In some cases, an exclamation mark appears next to devices that aren't installed correctly.

### Initialize a drive

If you install a drive that already has data on it, the drive appears under **My Computer** or **Computer** with a drive letter assigned to it.

If you install a brand-new drive that doesn't contain any data, you must prepare the drive for use.

On a computer running a version of Windows, do the following:

- 1. Navigate to Disk Management.
- 2. A dialog window appears and asks you to initialize the drive. Depending on the version of Windows that you're running, you have the option to create either an **MBR** or a **GPT** disk.

**Note:** GPT (GUID partition) is required for drives larger than 2 TB but GPT isn't compatible with some earlier versions of operating systems. MBR is supported by both earlier and later versions of operating systems.

- 3. Locate the disk that is labeled **Unallocated**. To confirm that the drive is the correct one, check the drive capacity.
- 4. Right-click the section of the window that says Unallocated and click New Partition or New Simple Volume.
- 5. To initialize the drive in the format of your choice, complete the on-screen instructions.

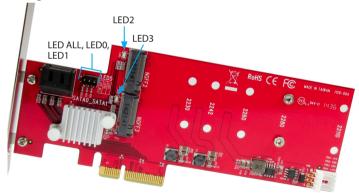
When the drive is successfully installed, it appears under **My Computer** or **Computer** with a drive letter assigned to it.



# About LED notifications

LED/pin header	Behavior	Status
M.2 drive green LED (LED2 and LED3)	LED is illuminated	The drive is on and linked to the computer.
	LED is blinking	The drive is being accessed.
SATA pin header (LED0 and LED1)	LED is illuminated	The drive is on and linked to the computer.
	LED is blinking	The drive is being accessed.
LED all pin header	LED is illuminated	Any of the four drives is on and linked to the computer.
	LED is blinking	Any of the four drives is being accessed.

#### LED diagram



To read the instruction manual, including instructions about RAID settings, please visit <u>www.startech.com/PEXM2SAT3422</u>.



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