



This Technical Advisory describes an issue which may or may not affect the customer's product

Intel Technical Advisory

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INTEL® SERVER SYSTEM P4000IP/R2000IP AND WORKSTATION SYSTEM P4000CR INPUT/OUTPUT (I/O) MODULE (IOM) CONNECTOR SUPPORTS PCI EXPRESS (PCIE) GEN1 SPEEDS ONLY

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Products Affected

The following Intel® Server and Workstation Systems based on Intel® C600 chipset:

- Intel® Server System P4000IP Family
- Intel® Server System R2000IP Family
- Intel® Workstation System P4000CR Family

Description

The I/O module (IOM) connector of above mentioned Intel® Server and Workstation Systems supports PCIe Gen1 speeds only. All Intel® I/O modules will run at PCIe Gen1 speeds in these systems even though the modules support PCIe Gen2/3 speeds. Installing an Intel® I/O module may result in sub-optimal performance on these products.

Root Cause

This is a current I/O module Connector limitation.

Corrective Action / Resolution

Intel is working on feature improvements and may have a product refresh to support PCIe Gen2/3 speeds in the future.

Workarounds

If I/O performance is a concern in customer applications and they need higher I/O performance, please use PCIe form factor add-in boards, rather than the Intel® I/O Modules. The Intel® I/O Module AXX4P1GBPWL IOM will not have this performance drop due to the fact that PCIe Gen1 bandwidth can meet its transmission requirement.

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