



# N2215 SAS/SATA HBA for IBM System x User's Guide

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## Safety

Before installing this product, read the Safety Information.

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Antes de instalar este producto, leia as Informações de Segurança.

在安装本产品之前，请仔细阅读 **Safety Information** (安全信息)。

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Prije instalacije ovog produkta obavezno pročitajte Sigurnosne Upute.

Před instalací tohoto produktu si přečtěte příručku bezpečnostních instrukcí.

Læs sikkerhedsforskrifterne, før du installerer dette produkt.

Lees voordat u dit product installeert eerst de veiligheidsvoorschriften.

Ennen kuin asennat tämän tuotteen, lue turvaohjeet kohdasta Safety Information.

Avant d'installer ce produit, lisez les consignes de sécurité.

Vor der Installation dieses Produkts die Sicherheitshinweise lesen.

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A termék telepítése előtt olvassa el a Biztonsági előírásokat!

Prima di installare questo prodotto, leggere le Informazioni sulla Sicurezza.

製品の設置の前に、安全情報を読みください。

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Les sikkerhetsinformasjonen (Safety Information) før du installerer dette produktet.

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Pred inštaláciou tohto zariadenia si pečítaje Bezpečnostné predpisy.

Pred namestitvijo tega proizvoda preberite Varnostne informacije.

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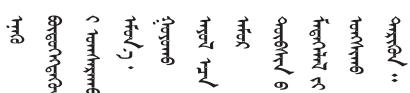
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This device is intended for use with UL Listed IBM devices.

**Statement 1:**



**DANGER**

Electrical current from power, telephone, and communication cables is hazardous.

To avoid a shock hazard:

- Do not connect or disconnect any cables or perform installation, maintenance, or reconfiguration of this product during an electrical storm.
- Connect all power cords to a properly wired and grounded electrical outlet.
- Connect to properly wired outlets any equipment that will be attached to this product.
- When possible, use one hand only to connect or disconnect signal cables.
- Never turn on any equipment when there is evidence of fire, water, or structural damage.
- Disconnect the attached power cords, telecommunications systems, networks, and modems before you open the device covers, unless instructed otherwise in the installation and configuration procedures.
- Connect and disconnect cables as described in the following table when installing, moving, or opening covers on this product or attached devices.

**To Connect:**

1. Turn everything OFF.
2. First, attach all cables to devices.
3. Attach signal cables to connectors.
4. Attach power cords to outlet.
5. Turn device ON.

**To Disconnect:**

1. Turn everything OFF.
2. First, remove power cords from outlet.
3. Remove signal cables from connectors.
4. Remove all cables from devices.

**Statement 3:**



**CAUTION:**

When laser products (such as CD-ROMs, DVD drives, fiber optic devices, or transmitters) are installed, note the following:



**DANGER**

Some laser products contain an embedded Class 3A or Class 3B laser diode.  
Note the following.

Laser radiation when open. Do not stare into the beam, do not view directly with optical instruments, and avoid direct exposure to the beam.



Class 1 Laser Product

Laser Klasse 1

Laser Klasse 1

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Appareil À Laser de Classe 1

**Statement 8:**



**CAUTION:**

Never remove the cover on a power supply or any part that has the following label attached.



Hazardous voltage, current, and energy levels are present inside any component that has this label attached. There are no serviceable parts inside these components. If you suspect a problem with one of these parts, contact a service technician.

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# N2215 SAS/SATA HBA for IBM System x User's Guide

## 1 Overview

The N2215 SAS/SATA HBA for IBM® System x® is a host bus adapter (HBA) that provides high-performance internal storage connectivity for servers and workstations. The HBA provides eight lanes of 12Gb/s SAS storage connectivity and is matched with eight lanes of PCIe 3.0 8Gb/s host connectivity. The low-profile design of the SAS HBA includes a full-height bracket and low-profile mounting bracket that creates a universal fit for any server. The HBA is based on the Fusion-MPT architected LSI SAS 3008 controller that integrates the latest enhancements in PCIe 3.0 technology and 12Gb/s SAS technology.

The HBA has integrated Flash memory for the firmware and BIOS.

## 2 HBA Features

This section lists the HBA features.

- Implements one LSI SAS 3008 eight-port 12Gb/s to PCIe 3.0 controller
- Supports eight-lanes, full-duplex PCIe 3.0 performance
- Supports eight internal 12Gb/s SATA+SAS ports
- Supports SATA link rates of 3.0Gb/s, and 6.0Gb/s
- Supports SAS link rates of 3.0Gb/s, 6.0Gb/s, and 12.0Gb/s
- Provides two x4 internal mini-SAS HD connectors (SFF-8643)
- Supports passive copper cable
- Supports up to 1024 SATA or SAS end devices
- Offered with a full-height bracket and low-profile vented bracket
- Provides one heartbeat LED

## 3 Functional Descriptions

### 3.1 PCI Express Host Interface

PCIe is a high-speed standard local bus for point-to-point interfacing of I/O components to the processor and the memory subsystems in a server. The LSI SAS 3008 controller chip contains the PCIe functionality for the HBA. The LSI SAS 3008 controller chip connects directly to the PCIe bus and generates timing and protocol in compliance with the PCIe specifications.

The HBA supports eight-lane PCIe performance up to 64Gb/s single direction and 128Gb/s dual direction.

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### 3.2 SAS-3 Interface

The LSI SAS 3008 controller chip contains the SATA + SAS functionality for the HBA. The following table shows the HBA 12Gb/s SAS performance.

**Table 1 12 Gb/s SAS Bandwidths**

Half Duplex	Full Duplex
Narrow port (one lane), 1200 MB/s	Narrow port (one lane), 2400 MB/s
Wide port (four lanes), 4800 MB/s	Wide port (four lanes), 9600 MB/s

## 4 Operating System Support

The HBA supports the following operating systems: Microsoft Windows, Red Hat Enterprise Linux Server, SUSE Linux Enterprise Server, and VMware.

Refer to: <http://www.ibm.com/systems/info/x86servers/serverproven/compat/us/xseries/controllers/matrix.html> for details on the software versions and device driver support.

## 5 HBA Characteristics

### 5.1 Memory

The HBA provides one 4-M x 16-bit Flash ROM to store the firmware and the BIOS.

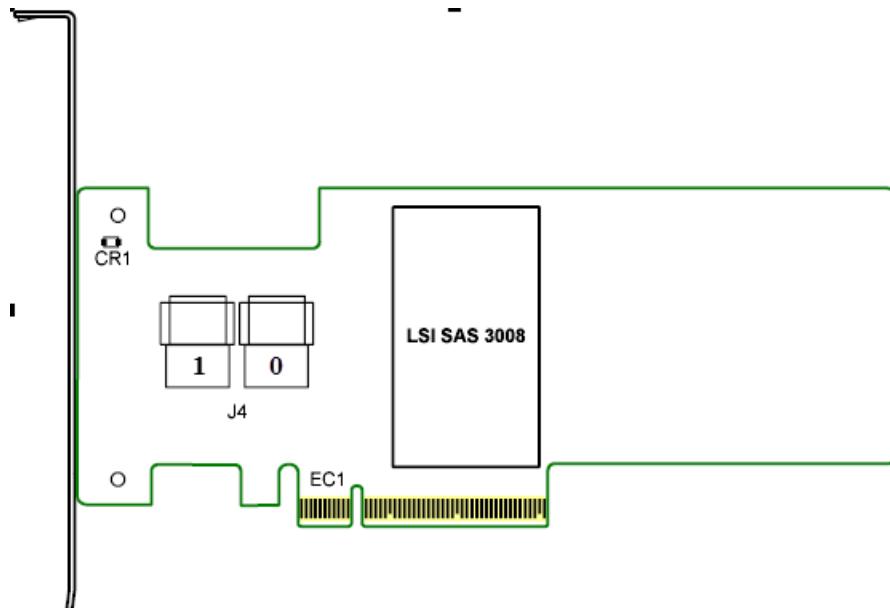
### 5.2 LED

The HBA Heartbeat LED, CR1, flashes green to indicate that the HBA is capable of general activity.

## 5.3 Physical Characteristics

The HBA is a 167.65-mm x 68.58-mm (6.6-in. x 2.7-in.), low-profile board. The component height on the top and bottom of the HBA is in accordance with the PCIe specification. The following figure shows the board layout.

**Figure 1** HBA Board Layout



- EC1: PCIe x8-lane board edge connector
- CR1: Heartbeat LED
- J4: SFF-8643, mini-SAS HD, internal, right-angle, connectors

## 5.4 Connectors

This section describes the different connectors on the HBA.

**PCIe Connector (EC1).** The HBA supports a x8 interface. The PCIe connection is through the edge connector (EC1), which provides connections on both the top (EC1B) and bottom (EC1A) of the board. The signal definitions and pin numbers conform to the PCIe specification.

**SATA+SAS Connectors (J4).** The HBA supports SATA and SAS that are SFF-8643 mini-SAS HD, internal connectors.

## 5.5 Power Requirements

The maximum power requirements for the HBA under normal operation are as follows:

- PCIe 12.0 V = 1.59 A
- Power
  - Nominal = 15 W
  - Worst Case = 19.04 W

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## 5.6 Thermal and Atmospheric Limits

The atmospheric limits for the HBA operation are as follows:

- Temperature range: 0°C to 55°C (32°F to 131°F) (dry bulb)
- Relative humidity range: 5% to 90% noncondensing
- Maximum dew point temperature: 32°C (89.6 °F)
- Minimum airflow: 200 linear feet per minute

The following limits define the storage and transit environment for the HBA:

- Temperature range: -45°C to +105°C (-49°F to +221°F) (dry bulb)
- Relative humidity range: 5 percent to 90 percent noncondensing

## 6 Hardware Installation

The installation instructions for the HBA follow.

Statement 1:



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3. Remove signal cables from connectors.
4. Remove all cables from devices.

1. **Unpack the HBA, and inspect it for damage.** Unpack the HBA in a static-free environment. Touch the static-protective package that contains the HBA to any unpainted surface on the outside of the server; then, grasp the HBA by the top edge or upper corners, remove it from the package, and inspect it for damage. Contact your IBM sales representative or IBM reseller if the HBA appears to be damaged.

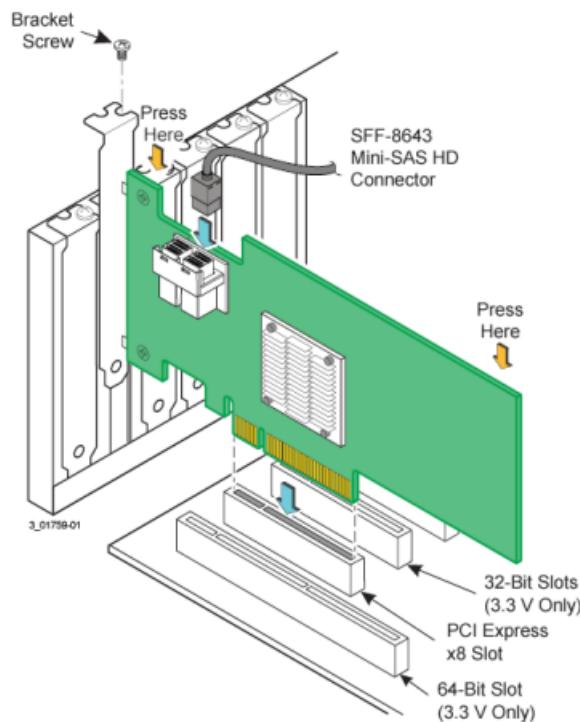


**ATTENTION** Make a backup of your data before changing your system configuration to avoid the risk of data loss.

2. **Prepare the server.** Turn off the server, and disconnect the power cord from the rear of the power supply.
3. **Remove the cover from the chassis.**

4. **Replace the mounting bracket (system dependent).** If required for your system, replace the full-height mounting bracket that ships on the HBA with the low-profile bracket supplied. Save and reuse the two screws that attach the long bracket to attach the short bracket.
5. **Insert the HBA in an available PCIe slot.** Locate an empty x8 PCIe slot. Remove the expansion-slot cover for the selected PCIe slot. Save the bracket screw, if applicable.  
Align the HBA with a PCIe slot. Press down gently, but firmly, to correctly seat the HBA in the slot. The following figure shows how to insert the HBA in a PCIe slot.

**Figure 2** Installing the HBA in a PCI Express Slot



**NOTE** The shape, size, and locations of components on your HBA and its bracket might vary from this illustration. The HBA requires a x8 PCIe slot.

6. **Secure the HBA bracket to the system chassis.** Install the bracket screw, if applicable, or engage the system retention mechanism to secure the HBA to the system chassis.
7. **Connect SAS cables between the HBA and the SAS backplane or any other SATA or SAS devices.** Connect serial cables between the HBA and the SAS backplane or any other SATA or SAS devices. The preceding figure shows the locations of the two internal x4 mini-SAS (SFF-8643) connectors on the HBA.
8. **Replace the cover and any power cords, and power on the system.** Replace the chassis cover, reconnect any power cords, and reconnect any network cables. Turn on the power.

The hardware installation of your HBA is complete.

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## Appendix A: Getting Help and Technical Assistance

If you need help, service, or technical assistance or just want more information about IBM products, you will find a wide variety of sources available from IBM to assist you. This section contains information about where to go for additional information about IBM and IBM products, what to do if you experience a problem with your system, and whom to call for service, if it is necessary.

### A.1 Before You Call

Before you call, make sure that you have taken these steps to try to solve the problem yourself:

- Check all cables to make sure that they are connected.
- Check the power switches to make sure that the system and any optional devices are turned on.
- Use the troubleshooting information in your system documentation, and use the diagnostic tools that come with your system.
- Go to the IBM support website at <http://www.ibm.com/supportportal/> to check for technical information, hints, tips, and new device drivers or to submit a request for information.

You can solve many problems without outside assistance by following the troubleshooting procedures that IBM provides in the online help or in the documentation that is provided with your IBM product. The documentation that comes with IBM systems also describes the diagnostic tests that you can perform. Most systems, operating systems, and programs come with documentation that contains troubleshooting procedures and explanations of error messages and error codes. If you suspect a software problem, see the documentation for the operating system or program.

### A.2 Using the Documentation

Information about your IBM system and preinstalled software, if any, or optional device is available in the documentation that comes with the product. That documentation can include printed documents, online documents, readme files, and help files. See the troubleshooting information in your system documentation for instructions for using the diagnostic programs. The troubleshooting information or the diagnostic programs might tell you that you need additional or updated device drivers or other software. IBM maintains pages on the World Wide Web where you can get the latest technical information and download device drivers and updates. To access these pages, go to <http://www.ibm.com/supportportal/> and follow the instructions.

### A.3 **Getting Help and Information from the World Wide Web**

On the World Wide Web, the IBM website has up-to-date information about IBM systems, optional devices, services, and support. You can find service information for IBM systems and optional devices at <http://www.ibm.com/supportportal/>.

### A.4 **Software Service and Support**

Through IBM Support Line, you can get telephone assistance, for a fee, with usage, configuration, and software problems. For information about which products are supported by Support Line in your country or region, see <http://www.ibm.com/services/supline/products/>.

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### A.5 **Hardware Service and Support**

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### **Generelle Informationen:**

Das Gerät erfüllt die Schutzanforderungen nach EN 55024 und EN 55022 Klasse A.

## **Japan VCCI Class A statement**

この装置は、クラス A 情報技術装置です。この装置を家庭環境で使用すると電波妨害を引き起こすことがあります。この場合には使用者が適切な対策を講ずるよう要求されることがあります。

VCCI-A

This is a Class A product based on the standard of the Voluntary Control Council for Interference (VCCI). If this equipment is used in a domestic environment, radio interference may occur, in which case the user may be required to take corrective actions.

## Korea Communications Commission (KCC) statement

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This is electromagnetic wave compatibility equipment for business (Type A). Sellers and users need to pay attention to it. This is for any areas other than home.

## Russia Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) Class A statement

ВНИМАНИЕ! Настоящее изделие относится к классу А.  
В жилых помещениях оно может создавать радиопомехи, для снижения которых необходимы дополнительные меры

## People's Republic of China Class A electronic emission statement

中华人民共和国“A类”警告声明

声 明  
此为A级产品，在生活环境巾，该产品可能会造成无线电干扰。在这种情况下，可能需要用户对其干扰采取切实可行的措施。

## Taiwan Class A compliance statement

警告使用者：  
這是甲類的資訊產品，在  
居住的環境中使用時，可  
能會造成射頻干擾，在這  
種情況下，使用者會被要  
求採取某些適當的對策。