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Reference Guide for**Multifunction 6X Unshielded Connector Pinouts**

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Abstract: This document is a guide to the pinout usage of the SFF-8639 six-lane, high speed multifunction plug and receptacle connector that is designed for use as a common connector system supporting both SAS and PCIe based devices.

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## 1 Foreword

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4 industry group. Since its formation as the SFF Committee in August 1990, the  
5 membership has included a mix of companies which are leaders across the industry.

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8 external dimensions e.g. physical size, mounting locations, connector type,  
9 connector location, between vendors. The SFF Committee provided a forum for system  
10 integrators and vendors to define the form factor of disk drives.

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13 SFF faced more challenges than the form factors. In November 1992, the charter was  
14 expanded to address any issues of general interest and concern to the storage  
15 industry. The SFF Committee became a forum for resolving industry issues that are  
16 either not addressed by the standards process or need an immediate solution.

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19 Association), as a TA (Technology Affiliate) TWG (Technical Work Group).

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22 recognized that in an emerging product area, there is room for more than one  
23 approach. By making the documentation on competing proposals available, an  
24 integrator can examine the alternatives available and select the product that is  
25 felt to be most suitable.

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28 SSWGs (Specific Subject Working Groups) are held at the convenience of the  
29 participants.

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32 standards or adopted as standards by ANSI, EIA, JEDEC and SAE.

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## 1 1. Scope

2 This specification defines pinouts used with the SFF-8639 Multifunction 6X  
3 Unshielded Connector.

### 4 1.1 Application Specific Criteria

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6 information.

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## 36 2. References

### 37 2.1 Industry Documents

38 The following interface standards and specifications are relevant to this  
39 specification as of the date of publication.

- |    |   |                |   |
|----|---|----------------|---|
| 40 | - | SATA           | SATA-I/O Serial ATA Revision 3.2              |
| 41 | - | SATA Express   | SATA-I/O Serial ATA Revision 3.2              |
| 42 | - | Dual Port SAS  | SFF-8482 & INCITS/ T10 Serial Attached SCSI-3 |
| 43 | - | Multi-Link SAS | SFF-8629 & INCITS/ T10 Serial Attached        |
| 44 |   |                | SCSI-3  |
| 45 | - | Quad PCIe      | PCI-SIG PCI Express SFF-8639 Module           |
| 46 |   |                | Specification                                 |

- 1 - SFF-TA-1001 Universal x4 Link Definition for SFF-8639
- 2 - OCP (Kinetic) Storage Device with Ethernet Interface
- 3 - NXP I2C-Bus Specification and User Manual
- 4 - Native NVMe-oF SNIA Native NVMe-oF Drive Specification

## 5 2.2 Sources

6 There are several projects active within the SFF TWG. The complete list of  
 7 specifications which have been completed or are still being worked on is contained  
 8 in the document SFF-8000 which can be found at  
 9 <http://www.snia.org/sff/specifications>.

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11 Copies of ANSI standards may be purchased from the InterNational Committee for  
 12 Information Technology Standards (<http://www.techstreet.com/incitsgate.tml>).

## 13 2.3 Conventions

14 The dimensioning conventions are described in ANSI-Y14.5M, Geometric Dimensioning  
 15 and Tolerancing. All dimensions are in millimeters, which are the controlling  
 16 dimensional units (if inches are supplied, they are for guidance only).

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18 The ISO convention of numbering is used i.e., the thousands and higher multiples  
 19 are separated by a space and a period is used as the decimal point. This is  
 20 equivalent to the English/American convention of a comma and a period.

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American	French	ISO
0.6	0,6	0.6
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1,323,462.9	1 323 462,9	1 323 462.9

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### 1 3. General Description

2 When a new SFF connector specification is developed there may be more than one  
3 industry interface planning to make use of it. Groups working on interfaces being  
4 developed under non-disclosure are unable to compare and discuss anticipated usage.  
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6 Pinouts are discussed during connector development and initial definitions assigned  
7 to ensure that the connector meets the needs of the interested interfaces.  
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9 This specification is a guide to the anticipated pinout usage of the interfaces  
10 under development.  
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### 12 4. Connector Usage Models

13 The connector system defined in SFF-8639 is considered to be an extension of the  
14 connector systems defined in SFF-8482 and SFF-8629. The SFF-8639 specification  
15 defines a multi-function connector system that may be used to implement specific  
16 storage device use cases.  
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18 The connector system defines a total of 68 contacts. The receptacle may implement  
19 all of the defined contacts while the plug may implement only the contacts required  
20 by the use case supported on a particular device. This allows for multiple device  
21 types supporting different use cases to be inserted into a common receptacle.  
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23 The connector system may be used for use cases not defined in this specification.  
24 The following three tables define the signal utilization based on use case. The  
25 signal name is given with respect to the receptacle. The signal ground is the  
26 electrical reference ground, the mechanical shell is a separate ground.  
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28 **WARNING:** The definitive reference for signals are the using interfaces identified  
29 in Sections 2.1. Readers should be aware that the tables below may not be accurate  
30 after these interfaces have been completed and distributed for public use.  
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**TABLE 4-1: P SERIES SIGNALS (PLUG)**

		SATA	SAS	MultiLink SAS	Quad PCIe	SFF-TA-1001	OCP Kinetic	SNIA Native NVMe-oF
P1		Retired	P1->P2	P1->P2	WAKE#	WAKE#	Presence Detect	
P2		Retired	P2->P1	P2->P1		Reserved	I2C Clock	
P3		DVSLP/Power Disable	POWER DISABLE	POWER DISABLE	PWRDIS	PWRDIS	I2C Data	PWRDIS
P4		GND	GROUND	GROUND	IfDet#	IfDet#	Ground	IfDet#=Ground
P5	Ground	GND	GROUND	GROUND	Ground	Ground	Ground	Ground
P6	Ground	GND	GROUND	GROUND	Ground	Ground	Ground	Ground
P7	+5V	V5	V5, precharge	V5, precharge			+5V Precharge	
P8	+5V	V5	V5	V5			+5V	
P9	+5V	V5	V5	V5			+5V	
P10		GND	GROUND	GROUND	PRSNT#	PRSNT#	Ground	PRSNT# = Ground
P11		DAS/DSS/DHU	READY LED	READY LED	ACTIVITY #	ACTIVITY #	Vendor Specific	ACTIVITY #
P12	Ground	GND	GROUND	GROUND	Ground	Ground	Ground	Ground
P13	+12V	V12	V12, precharge	V12, precharge	+12 V Precharge	+12 V Precharge	+12V Precharge	+12V Precharge
P14	+12V	V12	V12	V12	+12 V	+12 V	+12V	+12V
P15	+12V	V12	V12	V12	+12 V	+12 V	+12V	+12V

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1 **TABLE 4-2 S SERIES SIGNALS (PLUG)**

		SATA	SAS	MultiLink SAS	Quad PCIe *1 *2 *3	SFF-TA-1001 *1 *2 *3	OCF Kinetic	SNIA Native NVMe-oF
S1	Ground	GND	GROUND	GROUND	Ground	Ground	Ground	Ground
S2	Rcvr+	A+	PR+	RX0+		PETp0	RX0+	
S3	Rcvr-	A-	PR-	RX0-		PETn0	RX0-	
S4	Ground	GND	GROUND	GROUND	Ground	Ground	Ground	Ground
S5	Xmtr-	B-	TP-	TX0-		PERn0	TX0-	
S6	Xmtr+	B+	TP+	TX0+		PERp0	TX0+	
S7	Ground	GND	GROUND	GROUND	Ground	Ground	Ground	Ground
S8	Ground		GROUND	GROUND	Ground	Ground	Ground	Ground
S9	Rcvr+		SR+	RX1+		PETp1	RX1+	
S10	Rcvr-		SR-	RX1-		PETn1	RX1-	
S11	Ground		GROUND	GROUND	Ground	Ground	Ground	Ground
S12	Xmtr-		ST+	TX1-		PERn1	TX1-	
S13	Xmtr+		ST-	TX1+		PERp1	TX1+	
S14	Ground		GROUND	GROUND	Ground	Ground	Ground	Ground
S15				Reserved	Reserved	HPT0		HPT0 = Open
S16	Ground			GROUND	Ground	Ground		Ground
S17	Rcvr+			RX2+	PETp1	PETp2		TX0+
S18	Rcvr-			RX2-	PETn1	PETn2		TX0-
S19	Ground			GROUND	Ground	Ground		Ground
S20	Xmtr-			TX2-	PERn1	PERn2		
S21	Xmtr+			TX2+	PERp1	PERp2		
S22	Ground			GROUND	Ground	Ground		Ground
S23	Rcvr+			RX3+	PETp2	PETp3		TX1+
S24	Rcvr-			RX3-	PETn2	PETn3		TX1-
S25	Ground			GROUND	Ground	Ground		Ground
S26	Xmtr-			TX3-	PERn2	PERn3		
S27	Xmtr+			TX3+	PERp2	PERp3		
S28	Ground			GROUND	Ground	Ground		Ground

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3 Note: PCIe names the signals on the device from the host perspective i.e. for PCIe  
4 products, a receiver on the device has a transmitter signal name.  
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1 **TABLE 4-3 E SERIES SIGNALS (PLUG)**

		SATA	SAS	MultiLink SAS	Quad PCIe *1 *2 *3	SFF-TA-1001 *1 *2 *3	OCF Kinetic	SNIA Native NVMe-oF
E1					REFCLKB+	REFCLKB+		
E2					REFCLKB-	REFCLKB-		
E3	+3.3V				+3.3 Vaux	+3.3V aux		+3.3V aux
E4					CLKREQ#/PERSTB#	PERSTB#		ENRST1#
E5					PERST#	PERST#		ENRST#
E6					Reserved	IFDET2#		IFDET2# = Ground
E7					REFCLK+	REFCLK+		
E8					REFCLK-	REFCLK-		
E9					Ground	Ground		Ground
E10	Rcvr+				PETp0			
E11	Rcvr-				PETn0			
E12	Ground				Ground	Ground		Ground
E13	Xmtr-				PERn0			RX0-
E14	Xmtr+				PERp0			RX0+
E15	Ground				Ground	Ground		Ground
E16					Reserved	HPT1		HPT1 = Open
E17	Rcvr+				PETp3			
E18	Rcvr-				PETn3			
E19	Ground				Ground	Ground		Ground
E20	Xmtr-				PERn3			RX1-
E21	Xmtr+				PERp3			RX1+
E22	Ground				Ground	Ground		Ground
E23					SMBCLK	SMBCLK		SMBCLK
E24					SMBDAT	SMBDAT		SMBDAT
E25					DualPort En#	DualPort En#		DualPort En#

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3 **5. PCIe Dual Port Lane Usage**

4 For PCIe Dual Port mode, both Quad PCIe and SFF-TA-1001 redefine some of the PCIe  
5 lanes to explicitly be a second port with the secondary port starting the lane  
6 numbering at 0. The below table describes the Port and Lane numbering change when  
7 in dual port mode.  
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9 **TABLE 5-1 PCIE DUAL PORT LANE USAGE**

SFF-TA-1001 Dual Port S15=0, E16=0	Quad PCIe Dual Port S15=1, E16=0	PCIe Lane	
		E25 = Open	E25 = 0
S[2-6]	E[10-14]	PortA Lane0	
S[17-21]	S[17-21]	PortA Lane1	
S[9-13]	S[23-27]	PortA Lane2	PortB Lane0
S[23-27]	E[17-21]	PortA Lane3	PortB Lane1

10 Note: Single lane (x1) port usage shall use Lane0.  
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15 **6. SNIA Native NVMe-oF Dual Port Lane Usage**

16 For SNIA Native NVMe-oF Dual Port mode, DualPortEn# redefines how the two Ethernet  
17 lanes are configured. Table 2-1 describes the Port and Lane numbering change when  
18 in dual port mode.

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**TABLE 2-1 SNIA NATIVE NVME-OF DUAL PORT LANE USAGE**

SNIA Native NVMe-oF Lane	E25 = 0	E25 = 1
S[17-18]	TX0	TX0.1
S[23-24]	TX1	TX0.2
E[13-14]	RX0	RX0.1
E[20-21]	RX1	RX0.2

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