

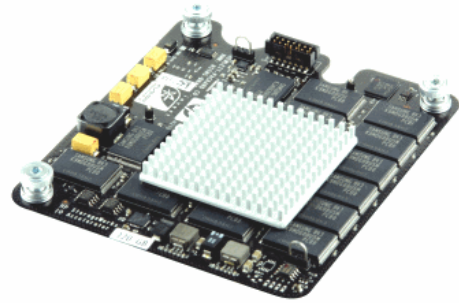


Solid State Drives - an alternative to conventional hard drives

Solid state what?!

An "SSD" on the outside looks almost no different than a traditional hard drive. This design is to allow the SSD drive to put in a notebook or desktop computer in place of a hard drive

The technology has been around for some time but a key drawback has been cost, although it is envisaged the price differential versus conventional hard discs may start to narrow.



Gavin from Lucid has recently installed a solid state drive in his computer and says he is happy to be quoted as doing so!

The key benefits are:

- PC boot up time is quicker. Gavin's takes less than a minute on Windows 7.
- Start up times for Microsoft Office programs is far quicker.
- Read/write times for files are much quicker.
- There are no mechanical parts which might fail.
- Lower power consumption.
- Acoustically pleasing - no noise.

Check your computer has a SATA connector before purchasing.



Product of the Month

The Solid State Drive which Gavin bought and recommends is the 64GB Crucial RealSSD C300 2.5-inch SATA 6GB/s

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