Problem determination and troubleshooting

How to perform problem determination actions on the SR685a V3

Problem determination and troubleshooting overview

Perform the following actions to determine the cause of problems on the SR685a V3

- Check the system health status on the XCC2 dashboard or the operation panel at the front of the system
- Check the system event log in XCC2
- Check the event log in UEFI
- Check the LEDs on the system
- Integrated LCD diagnostics panel

For more information about how to use XCC2, UEFI, or OneCLI to monitor system status and collect logs, refer to the following courses:

- ES51757B Introducing ThinkSystem tools
- ES52374 ThinkSystem tools for the ThinkSystem V3 platform
- ES41759C ThinkSystem problem determination

Note: The SR685a V3 does not support the optional external diagnostic panel.



LED descriptions

Use the LEDs on the front drives, front operator panel, and the rear side of the server for hardware status monitoring and problem determination.

The front and rear fans do not have status LEDs.

The system board assembly does not support the internal LED light path feature. As the SR685a V3 does not have top cover, you will not be able to see the system board assembly unless you power off the system and remove the system board tray from the chassis.

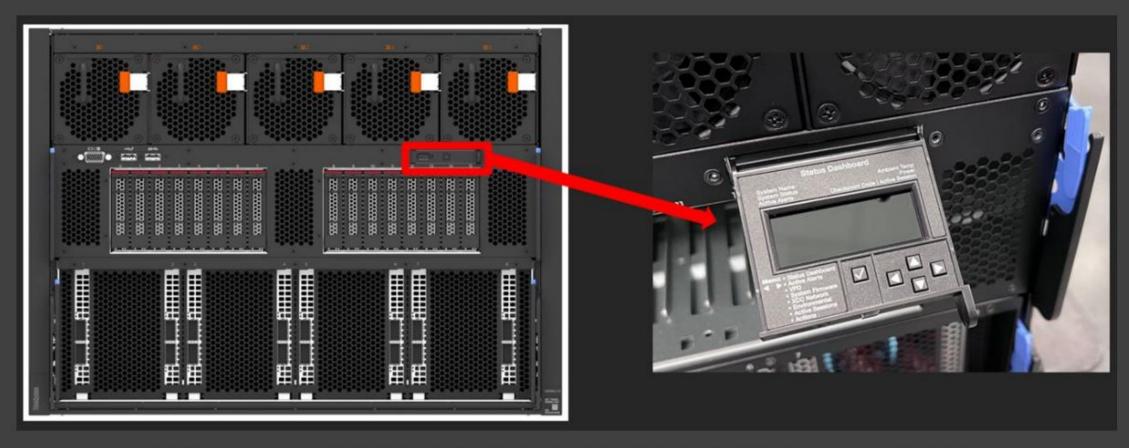
Click <u>HERE</u> to see the location of the SR685a V3 front LCD diagnostic panel. For more information about the SR685a V3 LEDs, refer to the Server components section of the ThinkSystem SR685a V3 User Guide on <u>Lenovo Docs</u>.



LED descriptions

SR685a V3 front LCD diagnostic panel





A demo video describing how the LCD diagnostic panel is used is available on the course landing page.

GPU problem determination

The problem determination steps for NVIDIA and AMD GPUs are the same as those for other components in the system: Use XCC2 to monitor the status and collect service data. If a GPU error occurs, users will see the GPU error messages and the corresponding PCIe slot numbering on the XCC event page. If necessary, use XCC or OneCLI to collect service data. Service data (FFDC logs) includes the GPU CPER (Common Platform Event Record) and GPU logs for problem escalation.

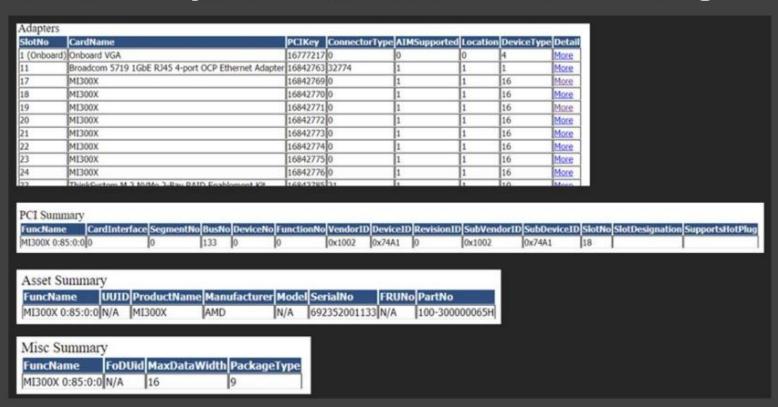
Click HERE to see MI300X GPU inventory examples in the XCC FFDC mini log.

Note: The GPU baseboard logs are not available on the XCC Event Logs page. Collect service data (FFDC logs) to get the GPU baseboard logs.



GPU problem determination

GPU inventory information in the XCC FFDC mini log



The SR685a V3 supports an all-in-one firmware bundle package for all eight GPUs and the GPU board.

