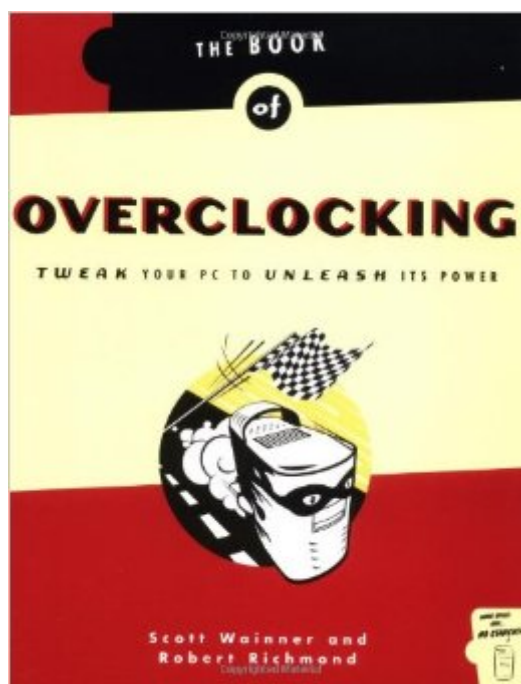


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Do you have a "need for speed"? Does your idea of fun center on making your computer run faster than advertised? If so, check out The Book Of Overclocking - Tweak Your PC To Unleash Its Power by Scott Wainner and Robert Richmond (No Starch Press).Chapter List: What the Computer Industry Does Not Want You to Know; Overclocking Versus Industry Hype: Technical Background; Technical Theory: Evolution of the Integrated Circuit; How to Overclock; Cooling; Intel Overclocking; AMD Overclocking; VIA/Cyrix Overclocking; Benchmark Testing; Troubleshooting; Final Thoughts; Appendix; IndexThis is a unique book on the market, as it covers both the why and how of overclocking, as well as providing all the technical details and specs of each CPU that was available at the time of publication. The book has 250 pages, and the first 50 and last 40 are more general in nature. By "general", I mean the chapters talk about how chips are constructed, why you'd want to overclock a CPU, and what considerations you have to keep in mind as you proceed. The

information is pretty detailed, and it's not something you'd give to your grandmother to help her get a bit more "oomph" from her old 486. Everything in the middle of the book is specific information for individual CPU chips produced by different manufacturers. These specs involve such items as physical design, performance ratings, bus speeds, multiplier ratios, overclocking potential, and overclocking tolerances. If you happen to have one of the CPUs covered in here, you'll have more than enough information to determine how best to max out the performance. The only "problem" with this book is that it was published in January 2003.

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