## **User Guide**

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## **SD-VUE USB Mini Extender Range**

Single Video Channel Kit Model SD-VUE/50

Single Video Channel Kit with Serial/Audio Model SD-VUE/50A

Dual Video Channel Kit Model SD-VUE/52

Dual Video Channel Kit with Serial/Audio Model SD-VUE/52A

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#### **Cautions and Notes**

The following symbols are used in this guide:



CAUTION. This indicates an important operating instruction that should be followed to avoid any potential damage to hardware or property, loss of data, or personal injury.



**NOTE.** This indicates important information to help you make the best use of this product.

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### **Safety Precautions and Installation Guidelines**

To ensure reliable and safe long-term operation please note the following installation guidelines:

- Do not use to link between buildings.
- Only use in dry, indoor environments.
- If the building has 3-phase AC power, try to ensure that equipment connected to the Local and Remote Units is on the same phase.
- Try not to route the CATx link cable alongside power cables.
- The use of shielded CATx cable is recommended to maintain compliance.
- Ensure that the system connected to the Local Unit is connected to power ground.
- The Remote Unit and any power supplies can get warm. Do not situate them in an enclosed space without any airflow.
- Do not place the power supply directly on top of the Remote Unit.
- This product is not suitable for use in isolated medical environments.



To safeguard against personal injury and avoid possible damage to equipment or property, please observe the following:

- Only use power supplies originally supplied with the product or manufacturer-approved replacements. Do not attempt to dismantle or repair any power supply. Do not use a power supply if it appears to be defective or has a damaged case.
- Connect all power supplies to grounded outlets. In each case, ensure that the ground connection is maintained from the outlet socket through to the power supply's AC power input.
- Do not attempt to modify or repair this product, or make a connection from the CATx link interface (RJ45) to any other products, especially telecommunications or network equipment.

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## 1. Quick Setup

This section briefly describes how to install your SD-VUE USB Mini Extender system. Unless you are an experienced user, we recommend that you follow the full procedures described in the rest of this manual.

#### **Set Video Distance DIP Switches**

Set DIP switches on base of Remote Unit to position for Interconnect cable length:

5-25m OFF (default)

25-50m ON

DIP Switch 1: Primary Interconnect (channel 1)

DIP Switch 2: Interconnect 2

(SD-VUE/52 & SD-VUE/52A only)

See Setting the Cable Length DIP Switches on page 13.

#### **Connect Remote Unit and devices**

Connect Remote Unit to monitor, USB and audio/serial devices (if present). Connect 5V power supply.

See Connecting the Remote Unit on page 14.

#### **Connect Local Unit to CPU**

Connect Local Unit to CPU video, USB and Audio/Serial ports (if used).

Connect Local monitor(s) to video output(s) on Local Unit. **Note.** If you intend to connect the Local Unit to an external USB hub, ensure that it is self-powered. If not, you will need an additional 5V PSU for the Local Unit (not supplied).

See **Local Unit Installation** on page 16.

#### **Connect Local and Remote Units**

Connect extender Units with up to 50m of compatible CATx interconnect cable.

See Interconnection Cable Requirements on page 12.

#### **Power Up**

Power up the CPU.

Switch on the Remote Unit power supply. Auto-adjust flat panel monitors.

Use LEDs on Interconnect ports to check operation (see pages 15 and 17).

## 2. Overview

#### Introduction

The SD-VUE USB Mini Extender Series enables high-resolution video, USB, stereo audio, and serial port signals to be communicated up to 50m over Category 5, 5e, 6 or higher (CATx) cable.

A basic USB extension system comprises a *Local Unit* (transmitter) and a *Remote Unit* (receiver). The Local Unit connects directly to the computer (or a USB Hub) using the supplied cable(s). The user *console* (consisting of monitor, keyboard, mouse and other devices) attaches to the Remote Unit. All Local Units in the USB Mini Extender Series have video output ports, allowing a second user console at the CPU (using further CPU/Hub ports). The Remote and Local Units communicate video and data information along the connecting CATx cable (see **Interconnection Cable Requirements** on page 12).

Within the product range, models are available with:

- Audio and serial transmission: bi-directional stereo audio (16-bit digitized) and transparent serial COM port (to 19.2Kbps).
- Multiple video channels: single and dual heads.

### **Glossary**

The following terms are used in this guide:

CATx	Any Category 5, 5e, 6 or higher cable.
PSU	Power Supply Unit.
KVM	Keyboard, Video and Mouse.
Console	A keyboard, monitor, and mouse, plus optional USB/serial/audio devices.
Dual Access	A system allowing connection of local and remote user consoles.
Single Head	An extender system that supports one monitor.
Dual Head	An extender system that supports two monitors.

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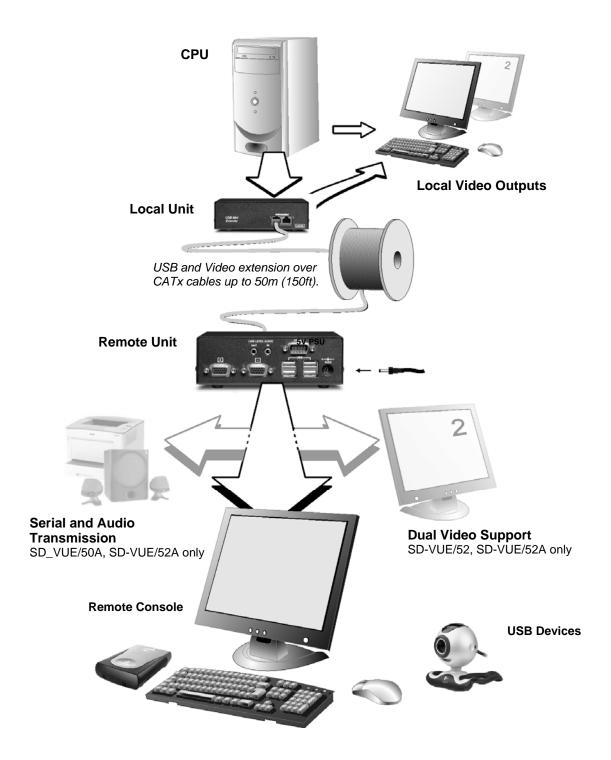


Figure 1 SD-VUE USB Mini Extender system

#### **Features**

The SD-VUE USB Mini Extender Series offers the following features:

#### • Transparent USB 2.0 Extension (low/full speed only)

Transparently extends most USB peripherals. Remote Unit has integral 4-port USB hub.

## • Supports high video resolutions for use with TFT displays 1600x1200@75Hz over 50m

#### • Emulated VESA DDC (Display Data Channel)

Extender Local Unit emulates a universal monitor Ensures maximum compatibility with multi-head graphics cards DDC emulation on all video channels

#### Local Video Output

Local video output on all video channels Allows dual-access operation when a local USB keyboard and mouse are connected directly to the CPU (or via a hub)

#### • Single and Dual-Head Video Support

One CATx cable required per channel

#### • Transparent serial port (on certain models)

Enables any serial device to be extended (up to 19.2K Baud). The serial port may be used to extend one device (requiring handshaking lines), or up to three simple serial devices (no handshaking).

#### • Bi-directional stereo audio support (on certain models)

16-bit digitized high-quality audio extension.

#### • Local Unit powered by USB

Local Unit takes power directly from USB connection. Optional 5V PSU may be connected for video only applications or when USB power is insufficient.

#### • External PSU Overvoltage Protection

Remote or Local Unit will not operate if an incorrect (>5V) PSU is connected.

#### Status indicator LEDs on each RJ45 port

#### • Small footprint chassis

#### Rack mount option

Plate available to mount three units across 1U.

#### • Surge protection on each RJ45 port

#### • CPU cables included

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### **Product Range**

There are four products in the range:

Single Video Channel Kit (Standard)			
SD-VUE/50	Single Video Channel, Transparent USB Local Unit + Remote Unit		
Single Video Chann	Single Video Channel Kit (Audio)		
SD-VUE/50A	Single Video Channel, Transparent USB, Serial, Stereo Audio Local Unit + Remote Unit (Single Video)		
Dual Video Channe	l Kit (Standard)		
SD-VUE/52	Dual Video Channels, Transparent USB Local Unit + Remote Unit (Dual Video)		
Dual Video Channe	l Kit (Audio)		
SD-VUE/52A	Dual Video Channels, Transparent USB, Serial, Stereo Audio Local Unit + Remote Unit (Dual Video)		

## Compatibility

#### **Interface Compatibility**

• USB: Transparent USB 2.0 Compliant link (Low/Full speed only) Extender appears as a self-powered USB hub to the CPU. Remote Unit contains integral USB hub with 4-ports. The extender will operate through USB 2.0 Host Controllers. However, the speed will be restricted to that of a USB 1.1 hub (12Mb/s).



Any device that absolutely requires the high-speed mode of USB 2.0 will not be compatible with the USB Mini Extender.

- **Audio:** Input and output are line-level. Amplified speakers are required. A microphone may be directly connected to the Remote Unit (optional preamplification).
- **Serial:** Transparent up to 19.2K Baud (38.4K operation may be possible with some devices). The following serial signals are extended: TX, RX, RTS, CTS, DTR, DSR. In rare cases, a wiring adaptor may be required to transfer RI and DCD.

Video: VGA to UXGA. Separate or composite sync.
 Emulated DDC for each video channel. Local Unit reports as monitor capable of all resolutions and refresh rates normally used with this product.
 For non-standard resolutions, choose the monitor manually through the operating system, and set to ignore DDC.

#### **Extender Compatibility**

SD-VUE USB Mini Extenders are not compatible with existing SDLink and SDBX standalone and rack hub CAT5 extenders. Consult Technical Support for information about compatibility with other products.

#### **How to Use This Guide**

This guide describes the installation and configuration of the SD-VUE USB Mini Extender Series. Although the connection and operation of the system is relatively straightforward, you should consider the following before getting started:

#### **Connection & Compatibility**

Each Extender kit contains all the cables required to connect the Local Unit to your PC or KVM switch. The remote monitor(s), USB devices and any audio and serial equipment connects directly to the Remote Unit.

For information about connection and installation, see **Installation**, page 11.

#### Interconnection Cable

You will need CATx (any category 5, 5e, 6 or higher) cable, terminated with RJ45 plugs, to connect the Local and Remote Units (see **Interconnection Cable Requirements**, page 12).

#### **Adjusting Video**

Video signals can become distorted when transmitted over CATx cables. To get the best from your extender system, it is *essential* that you:

- Set the Cable Length DIP switches on the Remote Unit correctly (see Setting the Cable Length DIP Switches on page 13).
- Use low skew CATx cable.

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## 3. Installation

For first-time users, we recommend that you carry out a test placement, confined to a single room, before commencing full installation. This will allow you to identify and solve any cabling problems, and experiment with the USB extender system more conveniently.

### **Package Contents**

You should receive the following items in your extender package. If anything is missing, please refer to Appendix F to obtain Technical Support.

- Extender Remote Unit.
- 5V DC universal power supply for Remote Unit.
- Extender Local Unit.
- USB/Video CPU combination cable (1.0m) with USB (A/B) connectors and VGA video (HD15 M-F) connector.
- CPU video cable (1.0m) with VGA video (HD15 M-F) connector. *Models: SD-VUE/52 and SD-VUE/52A only*.
- Serial cable (1.0m, DB9 M-F connectors, 1:1 connections). *Models: SD-VUE/50A and SD-VUE/52A only*.
- Dual audio cable (1.0m, 3.5mm stereo plugs). *Models: SD-VUE/50A and SD-VUE/52A only*.
- IEC AC Power Cord.
- Quick Start Guide.

### **Interconnection Cable Requirements**

To connect the Local and Remote Units you will need CATx (any category 5, 5e, 6 or higher) cable terminated with RJ45 plugs. Please note that shielded cable is advised to maintain regulatory EMC compliance.

Interconnect cables must be solid-core type. Stranded patch cable will give poor results over longer distances. The pairing of the cable and pinning of its connectors should normally be in accordance with EIA-568B (see below).

One CATx cable is required for each video channel.

- The *Primary* interconnect cable connects INTERCONNECT Port 1 on the Local and Remote Units. This carries the main video channel and USB data.
- *The Secondary* interconnect cable connects to INTERCONNECT Port 2 on the Local and Remote Units. This carries the additional video channel on dual-head units and/or audio/serial data.



**Technical Note:** Although compatible with UTP cable, it is recommended that shielded STP/FTP cable is used with this product, especially in electrically noisy environments. When shielded cable is used, it is most important to ensure that shield connectivity is maintained between the extender units.

#### Cable Pinning/Pairing

The following table illustrates which RJ45 connector pins the extenders use for various signals. It also details the standard EIA-568B wiring scheme that is recommended for most installations.

Looking into the RJ45 socket on a Remote Unit, Pin 1 is on the right and Pin 8 on the left.

Pin	Color (EIA-568B)	Signal	
1 2	White/Orange Orange/White	Blue Video	
3 6	White/Green Green/White	Green Video	
4 5	Blue/White White/Blue	Red Video	
7 8	White/Brown Brown/White	Data	

EIA-568A wiring can also be used. Contact Technical Support for details.

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#### **Remote Unit Installation**

#### **Setting the Cable Length DIP Switches**

If your application uses CATx cable less than 25m in length, you can continue to the next section.

Mini Extender Remote Units incorporate video equalization circuitry, allowing you to compensate for the loss in image quality that occurs when video signals are transmitted along CATx cables. At the factory, Remote Units are configured to optimize the video signals for Interconnect cables up to 25m in length.

If you intend to use cables of 25-50m in length:

- 1. Locate the DIP switches on the underside of the Remote Unit. DIP switch 1 is used for video channel 1, DIP switch 2 for video channel 2.
- 2. Set the DIP Switches as follows:

Interconnect Cable Length (m)	DIP Switch Position
5 – 25	OFF (default)
25 – 50	ON

If you are carrying out a test placement prior to final installation, set the DIP switch to the position appropriate to the test cable's length. When your tests are complete, set the DIP switch to the position appropriate for the CATx cable length used in the full installation.



**Technical Note:** The video compensation does not adjust skew. Although skew (color separation) can be an issue on some CATx cables, it would not normally be observed on cables <50m. Even so, we still recommend the use of low skew cables with USB Mini Extenders. You can test for skew by viewing the online test card at: http://testcard.kvmextender.info

#### **Connecting the Remote Unit**

To install a Remote Unit:

1. Connect your monitor, USB and other devices to the Remote Unit as shown in Figure 2 (single and dual-head units).



If additional USB hubs are attached to the extender, the maximum extension distance could be reduced (due to the delay imposed by each hub). For each connected hub, you may lose up to 10m of extension distance. Note: any USB device to which additional USB peripherals may be attached is a USB hub (e.g. an Apple® USB keyboard).

2. If appropriate, connect audio equipment and serial devices. Connect the audio cables as follows:

Remote Unit	Audio Device	
Audio Out	Speakers	
Audio In (MIC)	Microphone	

See **Appendix C: Audio/Serial Ports**, page 29 for further information.

- 3. Connect the Primary CATx cable to the INTERCONNECT (1) socket on the front of the Remote Unit. For dual head systems and SD-VUE/50A (uses a second CATx cable to extend audio and serial data only), connect an additional CATx cable to INTERCONNECT (2) (see Figure 3).
- 4. Connect the 5V power supply to power the unit.



Only use the power supply originally supplied with this equipment or a manufacturer approved replacement.

5. If you are using a flat panel TFT monitor, **you must adjust the clock and/or phase**, either manually or by using auto-adjust. Refer to the manual supplied with your monitor.

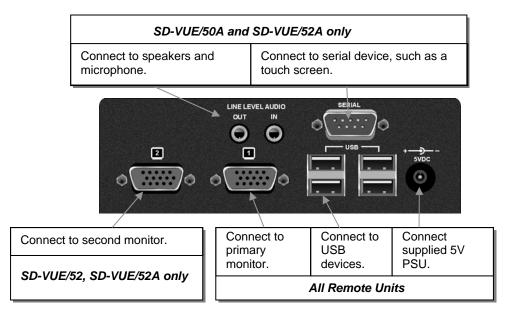
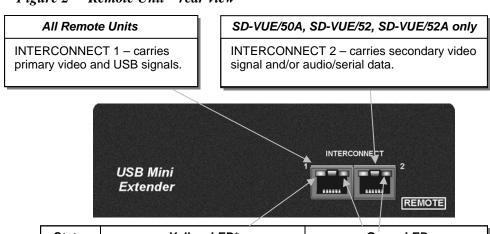


Figure 2 Remote Unit – rear view



Status	Yellow LED*	Green LED
OFF	No data transfer between Local and Remote Units: not connected, or Remote Unit not powered	Remote Unit not powered, or in an over-voltage (>6.0V condition
ON	Integral USB Hub functioning correctly (enumerated and not suspended).	Remote Unit powered

<sup>\*</sup> Yellow LED active on primary INTERCONNECT socket (Channel 1) only

Figure 3 Remote Unit - front view

#### **Local Unit Installation**

To install a Local Unit:

- 1. It is recommended that the PC and other devices are switched off before connection.
- 2. Using the supplied CPU video/USB cable, connect the Local Unit to the CPU as shown in Figure 4.



We recommend that the Local Unit is connected directly to a CPU USB port (Root Hub). If the Local Unit has to be connected through an external hub, you should ensure the hub is self-powered (not bus powered), or connect a 5V PSU (500mA) to the Local Unit.

- 3. If you want local access to the CPU, connect the video output(s) on the Local Unit to suitable monitors. Connect a USB mouse and a USB keyboard directly to other USB ports on the CPU or a connected hub.
- 4. If you have an audio and serial enabled system, connect the audio cables between the computer and Local Unit as follows:

Computer	Local Unit
Audio Out (green)	Audio In
Audio In/Microphone (pink/blue)	Audio Out

- 5. If appropriate, connect the supplied serial cable between the serial port on the computer and the Local Unit.
- 6. For single video units, connect the CATx cable to the INTERCONNECT socket on the front of the Local Unit. For dual-head systems, connect the CATx cables from the Remote Unit to the corresponding INTERCONNECT ports (1&2) on the Local Unit (see Figure 5).
- 7. Power up the PC.



The Local Unit normally takes power through the USB connection. In video only applications, or when the USB interface has limited power (from a bus-powered hub, for example), an external 5V PSU may be required. The power LED will indicate if an external PSU is required (see page 17).

Please contact Technical Support to obtain a suitable power supply.

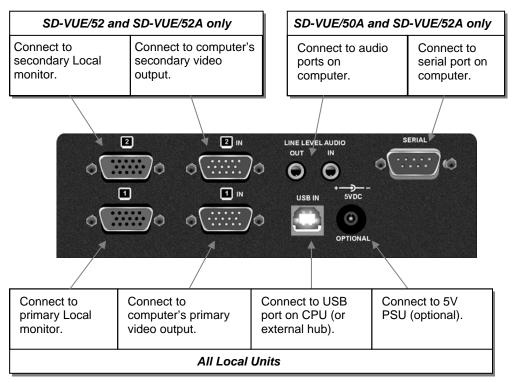


Figure 4 Local Unit - rear view

	All Models	SD-VUE/52 and SD-VUE/52A only	
INTERCONNECT 1 – carries primary video and USB signals. Connect to CATx cable from INTERCONNECT 1 port on Remote Unit.		INTERCONNECT 2 – carries secondary video and audio/serial data (SD-VUE/52A only). Connect to CATx cable from INTERCONNECT 2 port on Remote Unit.	
	USB Mini Extender Local		
Status	Yellow LED*	Green LED	
OFF	No data transfer between Local and Remote Units: r connected, or Remote Un not powered.	is a second of the second of t	
ON	Powered Remote Unit found.	Local Unit powered correctly.	

<sup>\*</sup> Yellow LED active on primary INTERCONNECT socket (Channel 1) only

Figure 5 Local Unit – front view

## 4. Troubleshooting

#### Video

#### The image is not sharp, or is badly smeared.

Check that the cable length DIP switch is correct for the length of your Interconnect cable (see page 13).

Check the Interconnect cable between the Remote and Local Units. Is it of the recommended type (see page 11)? Is it intact along its entire length and securely connected at both ends? Is it wired correctly?

Ensure that all video connections throughout the system are attached securely.

Are you using an LCD panel? You must adjust its clock and/or phase either manually or using auto-adjust.

## Colors appear to be separated and there are colored borders on text and icons.

Check the Interconnect cable between the Remote and Local Units. Is it of the recommended type (see page 11)? Is it intact along its entire length and securely connected at both ends? Is it wired correctly?

Are you using low skew cable? You can test for skew by viewing the online test card at: http://testcard.kvmextender.info

#### I only need video extension – not USB - but I can't get a picture.

Have you powered the Local Unit? The Local Unit gets its power from the CPU through the USB connection and it will not operate without it. Use an external 5V PSU as described on page 16.

#### The monitor sometimes goes blank for a second or two.

Check that the interconnect cable is not routed near power lines or other sources of electrical interference. Use shielded STP/FTP cable instead of UTP cable ensuring that the shield connection is maintained between the extender units.

Check system grounding.

If this is a persistent problem, contact Technical Support.

#### Jitter is evident on video.

Adjust the clock and/or phase on your flat-panel. Contact Technical Support if this fails to improve the situation.

Are you testing a system using a coiled drum of CATx cable? Try uncoiling the cable. If this solves the video jitter, you should not have a problem after full installation.

#### I can't select the video mode I need.

For non-standard resolutions, choose the monitor manually through the operating system, and set to ignore DDC. Contact Technical Support if you have problems selecting your required graphics mode.

#### Can the extender be used with RGB video?

Yes.

#### USB

## Why does the Extender stop working when I attach a USB hub to the Remote Unit?

If additional USB hubs are attached to the extender, the maximum extension distance will be reduced (due to the delay imposed by each hub). For each connected hub, you may lose up to 10m of extension distance. Any USB device to which additional USB peripherals may be attached is a USB hub (e.g. an Apple® USB keyboard).

#### Will the USB Mini Extender work with USB 2.0?

The extender will operate perfectly through USB 2.0 Host Controllers. However, the speed will be restricted to that of a USB 1.1 hub (12Mb/s). Devices that are USB 2.0 compliant will operate if they are backwards compatible with USB 1.1. If you have a device that demands the high-speed mode of USB 2.0 then it will not be compatible with the USB Mini Extender.

#### Is the USB Mini Extender compatible with all USB devices?

This product range extends the distance at which USB peripherals may be operated by making full use of the bus timeout period allowed by the USB protocol. The extender should be compatible with the majority (but not all) of CPU USB Host Controllers and USB peripherals on the market.

### Extended USB devices are unstable and 'drop out'.

Check that the interconnect cable is not routed near power lines or other sources of electrical interference. Use shielded STP/FTP cable instead of UTP cable ensuring that the shield connection is maintained between the extender units. Check system grounding.

The extension distance is too great for your CPU/USB device combination. Try reducing the interconnection cable length if possible.

If you are using an alternative USB cable to connect the Local Unit to the CPU it must be less than 3m in length.

#### Some of my USB devices do not operate over the full range.

The maximum extension range is nominally 50m. In practice, the maximum distance achievable may be between 40m and 60m depending on your system and USB devices. Adding external USB hubs may decrease the maximum extension distance by up to 10m for each hub added. Adding bus-powered hubs in front of the Local Unit is not recommended.

#### **Audio**

#### The audio is very quiet.

The audio I/O is line-level and requires amplified speakers and connection to devices providing line-level I/O.

#### The audio is loud but distorted.

Check that the audio input is not greater than line level (4V peak-to-peak). The USB Mini Extender accepts line-level audio input only.

#### The microphone output is barely audible.

See Appendix C: Audio/Serial Ports, page 29.

#### No audio on SD-VUE/50A.

You need to connect the second interconnect cable which is used to carry audio and serial data.

#### **Serial**

#### My serial device does not function.

The extender supports serial devices at data rates not exceeding 19.2K Baud (although 38.4K operation might be possible with certain equipment).

Check the type of flow control used by the device and CPU. The extender supports RTS, CTS, DTR, and DSR. Some systems may require a wiring adapter to transfer RI and DCD.

Attach the device directly to the serial port on the PC and test whether the problem is a PC or extender problem.

Some serial devices cannot be hot-plugged. Try connecting the device to a powered Remote Unit prior to booting the system.

#### **General Questions**

## The green power LED is not lit when I connect my Local Unit to my USB hub.

Local Units normally take power from the USB connection to the computer. Local Units may require an external 5V PSU:

- If the CPU/hub cannot provide sufficient power through the USB connection.
- For video only applications.

Contact Technical Support for details of a suitable PSU.

#### Is it possible to use a cable length longer than 50m?

The maximum extension distance is nominally 50m. Some systems may extend up to 60m and others only 40m. Once the system range limit is reached, USB operation will cease or become erratic. For maximum extension distance, avoid connecting additional USB hubs to the system.

#### Which interconnection cable is best?

The extender will operate with either shielded (STP/FTP) or unshielded (UTP) CATx cable. However, correctly installed shielded cable is preferred, especially in electrically noisy environments, because it resists interference more strongly, limits ground potential differences, and reduces emissions. To benefit from shielded cable the shield connection *must* be maintained from end to end through any intervening patch cables, panels and RJ45 connectors.

Please note that shielded cable is advised in order to maintain regulatory EMC compliance.

#### Can I use CATx patch cables?

Yes, but to ensure maximum data integrity, use as few as possible. The maximum patch cable length at each end of the link should be limited to 3m.

#### Can the extender system be used between buildings?

No. Ground loops could damage the extender system and attached equipment.

## Can multiple Local/Remote Units be used by swapping the interconnection cable?

Local Units provide a transparent USB link, so it is possible to swap or switch the local-remote interconnection to create a matrix-switch system. Please call Technical Support before deploying such a system.

#### Can the extender be connected into our network?

**Absolutely not.** Regardless of the cable similarities, the data signals and voltages used by the extender are different to those used by Ethernet and other types of networks. Connecting the extender to a LAN hub, switch, repeater, or other network device, or exposing it to the signal levels present on network data lines may damage the extender and other devices.

## **Appendix A: Example Applications**

This section illustrates three specific applications using USB Mini Extender units:

- Simple system using SD-VUE/50 to provide remote console with extended USB keyboard, mouse and printer (Figure 6). Audio extended by USB using USB-to-Audio converter at the Remote Unit (not included).
- Dual-monitor consoles with serial and audio extension (Figure 7). Analog audio extended without USB conversion using Interconnect 2 and monitor 2 at remote console is a serial touch screen. Uses SD-VUE/52A.
- SD-VUE/52A configured for home entertainment system with extension of USB devices (remote control, game pad, keyboard and mouse) and video (Figure 8). Use of USB Mini Extender allows clutter and noise of CPU to be removed from viewing area.

For more specific information about these, or any other complex applications, please discuss suitable extension architecture with Technical Support.

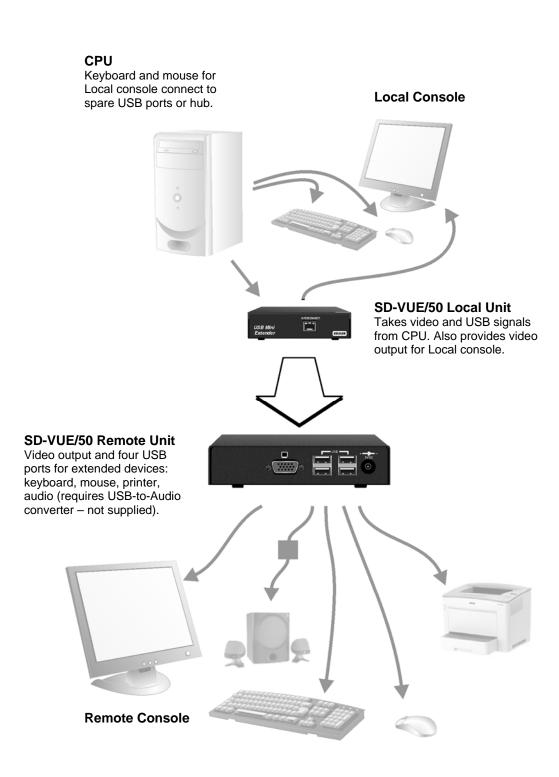


Figure 6 Single monitor consoles with audio extension using USB-to-Audio converter (not supplied)

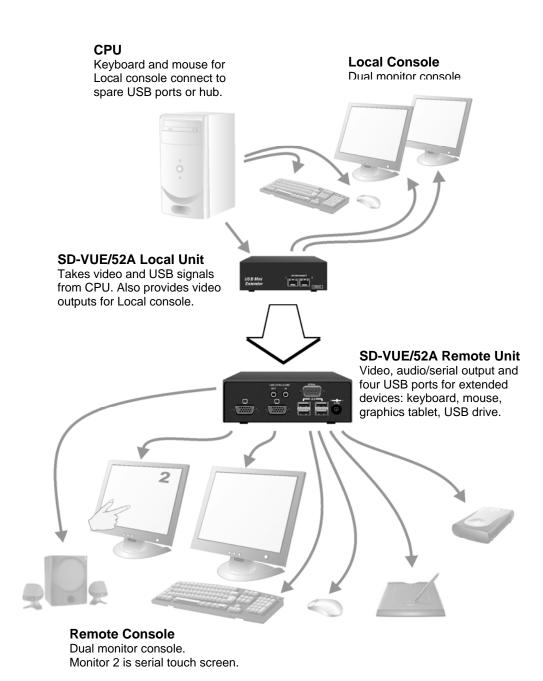


Figure 7 Dual-monitor consoles with serial and audio extension

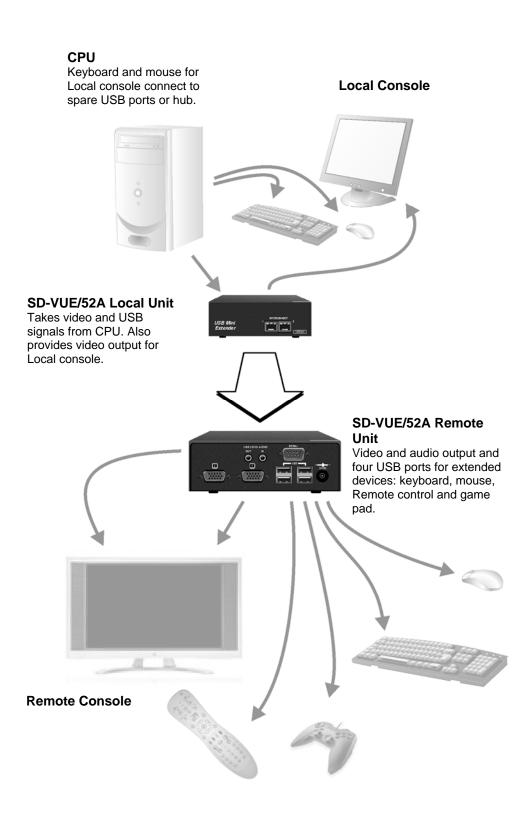


Figure 8 Home entertainment system

## **Appendix B: Rack Mount Options**

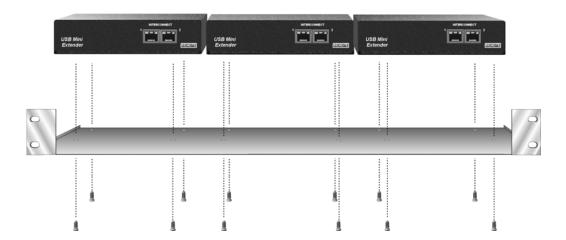
All USB Mini Extender units can be mounted in a 19" rack in any combination using the SDBR3 mounting kit.

#### **SDBR3 Mounting Kit**

This mounting kit allows you to mount up to three units across 1U. It contains one rack plate and M3 countersunk mounting screws.

To mount a unit:

- 1. Remove the feet from the extender unit.
- 2. Align the holes on the base plate with the vacant screw holes on the base of the extender unit.
- 3. Fasten the base of the unit to the plate of the mounting kit using the supplied screws.



## **Appendix C: Audio/Serial Ports**

#### **Operation & Multi-Port Configuration**

This appendix describes audio & serial interface operation for SD-VUE/50A and SD-VUE/52A.

This extender allows bi-directional stereo audio and a full-duplex serial data to be sent across the secondary CATx interconnection cable.

#### Serial Interface - Set Up and Operation

No setting up or user adjustments are required.

The Remote Unit's serial port is wired as DTE - the same as that on a PC. To connect a serial printer or other DTE (rather than DCE device) to the Remote Unit, you will need a Null-Modem crossover cable between the Remote Unit and the printer. Select Xon/Xoff software flow control on the printer and PC.

A serial touch screen may be plugged directly into the Remote Unit.

#### Serial Interface - Handling Multiple Serial Devices

The extender's serial interface transmits/receives six signals (3 signals in each direction).

Normally, four of these signals are used for hardware handshaking (in addition to TX & RX). However, because each handshaking line can support signals up to 19,200 Baud it is possible to configure the serial interface to handle up to three simple 2-wire (Tx/Rx only) serial links.

To do this, you will need to construct a custom breakout cable. Please contact Technical Support for further information.

#### **Audio Interface - Set Up and Operation**

The audio interface is line-level and is designed to take the output from a sound card (or other line-level) source and be connected to a set of powered speakers at the other end of the link.

Stereo audio may be transmitted either way across the link (simultaneously). No setup is required unless a microphone is connected to the Remote Unit. Connect the extender as follows:

- Take the line-level output from your sound card (green connector) and connect to 'Line In' on the Local Unit.
- Connect 'Line Out' on the Remote Unit to a set of powered speakers.

#### Audio Interface - Using a Microphone

A microphone may be plugged into the 'Line In' connector on the Remote Unit. There are two ways of setting up a microphone:

- The Local Unit's 'Line Out' connection should normally be wired to the microphone input (Pink) on your sound card. The sound card should then be set up to provide additional amplification (+17dB). This is the preferred connection method.
- Alternatively, the Remote Unit itself can provide microphone amplification.
  To set this, open up the Remote Unit and locate the jumper labeled 'MIC'
  on the daughter board. Connect this jumper across the pins. The Local
  Unit's 'Line Out' connection should then be wired to 'Line In' (Blue) on
  your sound card.

If your microphone is already amplified, follow the second method but DO NOT install the amplification jumper in the Remote Unit.

## **Appendix D: Obtaining Technical Support**

If you have any problems or questions, contact your dealer for technical support.

To enable us to provide efficient and effective support, please make a note of the following information before you call:

• The USB Mini Extender's firmware revision level. This is printed on the base of both the Local and Remote Units:

#### **Version Number Format:** xxSyy/zz

**xx** is the hardware revision number

yy is the firmware revision number

**zz** is the auxiliary revision number

- The nature and duration of the problem and when it occurs.
- The components involved in the problem including manufacturer and model numbers.
- Results from any testing you have done.

If you need to return a unit for repair, please package carefully, preferably using the original box. Include everything you received with the unit. Before returning, contact Technical Support to get a Return Authorization (RA) number.



Do not attempt to repair the units. The USB Mini Extender set contains no user-serviceable parts.

## **Appendix E: Specifications**

### Video

1600x1200@75Hz over 50m (150ft)
Operation at higher resolutions/refresh rates may be possible at shorter distances
VGA to UXGA, RGB
0.7V P-P
2-stage
DC
Separate/Composite TTL Level Sync Polarity is preserved
Emulated DDC for each video channel (all standard modes).
HD15 (Male)
HD15 (Female)

### USB

USB Compatibility	Transparent USB 2.0 compliant link (low/full speed only) Extender appears as a self-powered USB 1.1 hub to the CPU. Remote Unit contains integral USB 1.1 hub with 4 ports.
Extension Limits	50m (150ft) nominal
	Maximum distance achievable may vary between 40m (120ft) and 60m (180ft) depending on system. Adding external USB hubs may decrease the maximum extension distance by up to 10m (30ft) for each hub added.
	Adding bus-powered hubs in front of the Local Unit is not recommended.
Local Unit Connector	USB B Socket
Remote Unit Connectors	4 x USB A Sockets

#### Serial Interface

Max Baud Rate Supported	19.2K Baud
Serial Data Format	Transparent
Signals Transferred	TX, RX, RTS, CTS, DTR, DSR
Local Unit Connector	DB9 Female (DCE)
Remote Unit Connector	DB9 Male (DTE)

#### Audio Interface

Description	Bi-directional stereo audio link
Transmission method	Digitized virtually CD quality audio (16-bit, 38.4kHz)
Signal levels	Line level (4 Volts Pk-Pk maximum)
Input Impedance	47kΩ
Local Unit Connectors	2x3.5mm stereo jack socket (Line In & Line Out)
Remote Unit connectors	2x3.5mm stereo jack socket (Line/Mic In & Line Out)
Microphone Support	Microphone may be connected to Remote Unit Pullup resistor provides bias for condenser microphone Option to set microphone amplification to +17dB

## Power Requirements

Local Unit	5V at up to 275mA supplied by USB port External PSU may also be connected to 2.1mm DC Jack (Center Positive) Over Voltage Protection: >6.0V Under Voltage Indication: <4.3V
Remote Unit	5V, 2A (18W) Regulated PSU included (certified to all relevant safety standards) Universal IEC Input Connector: 2.1mm DC Jack (Center Positive) Remote Unit takes 250mA, remainder available for connected USB devices (1.1A fused). Over Voltage Protection: >6.0V

### Size and Shipping Weight

SD-VUE/50	Local Unit: 120x110x29mm (4.7"x4.3"x1.1")
	Remote Unit: 138x98x29mm (5.4"x3.9"x1.1")
	Shipping Weight: 1.5kg (3.3lb)
SD-VUE/50A	Local Unit: 120x110x44mm (4.7"x4.3"x1.7") (1U)
	Remote Unit: 138x98x44mm (5.4"x3.9"x1.7") (1U)
	Shipping Weight: 1.7kg (3.7lb)
SD-VUE/52	Local Unit: 120x110x44mm (4.7"x4.3"x1.7") (1U)
	Remote Unit: 138x98x29mm (5.4"x3.9"x1.1")
	Shipping Weight: 1.7kg (3.7lb)
SD-VUE/52A	Local Unit: 145x110x44mm (5.9"x4.3"x1.7") (1U)
	Remote Unit: 138x98x44mm (5.4"x3.9"x1.7") (1U)
	Shipping Weight: 2.0kg (6.6lb)

#### Environmental

Operating Temperature	0 to 40 °C (32 to 104°F)
Storage Temperature	-30 to 65 °C (-22 to 149°F)
Relative Humidity	5-90% non-condensing
Chassis Construction	Fully shielded. Black painted steel

## **Appendix F: EU Regulatory Compliance**

#### **WARNING!**

This is a Class A product. In a domestic environment, this product may cause radio interference in which case the user may be required to take remedial measures.

This product complies with the following harmonized standards for Information Technology Equipment: EN55022:2006 (Class A), EN55024:1998 + A1:2001 + A2:2003.

To maintain compliance the use of correctly installed shielded (STP/FTP) interconnection cable is advised. Only use CPU cables and power supplies provided (or recommended) for use with this product.

When used in environments that have high levels of electromagnetic interference or excessive power ground noise, you may experience disturbances to video and/or data transmission. If this is the case, please refer to the Troubleshooting section of the User Guide for further information, or contact Technical Support. In electrically noisy environments, the use of shielded (STP/FTP) rather than unshielded (UTP) interconnection cable is recommended.



# Appendix G: North American Regulatory Compliance

This equipment has been found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Shielded cables must be used with this equipment to maintain compliance with radio frequency energy emission regulations and ensure a suitably high level of immunity to electromagnetic disturbances.

All power supplies are certified to the relevant major international safety standards.

## **Appendix H: Disclaimer**

While every precaution has been taken in the preparation of this manual, the manufacturer assumes no responsibility for errors or omissions. Neither does the manufacturer assume any liability for damages resulting from the use of the information contained herein. The manufacturer reserves the right to change the specifications, functions, or circuitry of the product without notice.

The manufacturer cannot accept liability for damage due to misuse of the product or due to any other circumstances outside the manufacturer's control (whether environmental or installation related). The manufacturer shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, or injury arising directly, indirectly, or consequently from the use of this product.