

CAT5 HD Extender

2305-4339

User Manual v1.0

Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the 2305-4339 CAT5 HD Extender. With the 2305-4339, you can send high-definition audio and video from one or more sources to one or more displays over an Ethernet network. Furthermore, the 2305-4339 can also relay IR remote control signals, as well as PS/2 keyboard and mouse inputs from a remote display location to a source PC or consumer electronics device.

IN ORDER TO PREVENT DAMAGE, READ THIS MANUAL IN ITS ENTIRETY BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO CONNECT OR POWER UP ANY SINGLE DEVICE OR COMPONENT!

Hardware



TX One-port Transmitter (PCA – PC Adapter)



Seven-port Transmitter (PCA – PC Adapter)

Port / Connector

Port / Connector	Purpose
DC input Jack	5V DC power input
USB to PC	Keyboard and mouse input to PC
Remote On/Off	Enables / Disables peripherals connected to receiver unit
External IR port	Connects to IR emitter
VGA pass-through	Allows you to connect a local VGA monitor. Works only if source is also VGA.
DVI/VGA select	Selects between the VGA or the DVI-D pins on the DVI-I input connector
DVI-I input	Video signal input – utilizes either DVI-D or the VGA signals through the select switch
Status LED	Displays network connection status
Power LED	Displays power and operation mode status
Audio ports	Audio signal input from source to RX (speaker), and output audio from RX to PC (mic)
Reset button	Resets unit, and provides operation mode selection
Ethernet port(s)	10/100 Ethernet connection(s) to RX unit(s) through LANs or direct connections

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RX One-port Receiver (TVA – TV Adapter)

Port / Connector	Purpose
DC input Jack	5V DC power input
PS/2 connectors	PS/2 keyboard and mouse input for remote PC control
IR receiver window	Receives IR remote control signals
External IR jack	Connects to external IR receiver
Source button	Multifunction button that allows selection of various sources and other functions
DVI-I output	Video signal output – transmits both DVI-D and VGA signals simultaneously
Status LED	Displays network connection status
Power LED	Displays power and operation mode status
Audio ports	Audio signal input from mic to TX, and output audio from TX to speakers
Reset button	Resets unit, and provides operation mode selection
Ethernet port	10/100 Ethernet connection from TX unit(s) through LAN or direct connection

Features and Specifications

- Very low latency Audio / SD and HD Video transmission over Ethernet networks
- Send video from multiple sources to multiple destinations over the same Ethernet network
- Adjustable bandwidth
- Receivers can select which source transmitter to display using pushbutton and OSD
- Standard 38 kHz IR remote control repeater from receiver back to transmitter
- Accepts VGA and DVI-D input signals, including HDMI (NOTE: HDCP and digital audio are not supported, and requires DVI-HDMI adapter, not included)
- Accepts stereo audio input
- Works with any computer operating system
- Remote On/Off switch at transmitter disables peripherals connected to receiver
- Relays mic input from receiver back to transmitter
- Transmitter accepts video resolutions from 640 x 480 to 1920 x 1080, from 60Hz to 70Hz refresh
- Built-in scaler scales output video to display's capability regardless of input video resolution
- Receiver output resolutions and frame rates are as follows:

0	640 x 480	70 fps	0	1360 x 768	30 fps
0	720 x 480	60 fps	0	1400 x 1050	30 fps
0	720 x 576	50 fps	0	1440 x 900	30 fps
0	800 x 600	70 fps	0	1600 x 1200	30 fps
0	1024 x 768	60 fps	0	1680 x 1050	30 fps
0	1280 x 720	30 fps	0	1920 x 1080	25 fps
0	1280 x 1024	30 fps			

- Receiver outputs both DVI-D and VGA signals, regardless of input signal on transmitter
- Built-in browser-based configuration for easy user-setting of "Operational IP address" and device naming
- Permanent, hard-coded "Setup IP address" are as follows:
 - o Transmitter (PCA) 192.168.168.21
 - o Receiver (TVA) 192.168.168.22
 - STATUS LED colors:
 - o Off No network connection
 - o Green Network connected
 - o Blinking green Network activity
 - Orange/Red High network bandwidth usage
- POWER LED colors:
 - o Off Unpowered
 - o Green Powered on and connection established with corresponding TX or RX unit
 - Red Powered on, but no connection to corresponding TX or RX unit
 - o Blinking Red Reset button held down, ready to enter Setup mode
 - Orange Unit is in Setup Mode

Configuration and Setup

- You will need to set fixed IP addresses for each of your 2305-4339 devices. This is necessary for proper operation, and so that the 2305-4339 units will not interfere with any other devices on your network. However, <u>you can skip</u> setting the IP addresses on the units, and go to Step 2, <u>only if</u>:
 - The TX and RX units are connected only by an Ethernet cable, with <u>no router or switch</u> in between (one-to-one operation):



• There is <u>only one TX</u> unit, and one or more RX units are connected through a switch, but <u>no PCs</u> <u>or routers are connected to that switch</u> (one-to-many operation):



• There is only one TX unit, and one or more RX units are connected through a switch. PCs and/or routers are connected to that switch, but <u>reside on a subnet other than 192.168.168.x</u> (one-to-many operation):



PCs on 192.168.1.x subnet

1.1. First, you will need to connect a computer using an Ethernet cable to each 2305-4339 (TX and RX) unit in order to access its configuration web page. In your computer's network adapter settings, give it <u>a fixed</u> <u>IP address of 192.168.168.100</u>, subnet mask 255.255.255.0.

In Windows XP, this can be done using the following procedure:

1.1.1. Go to CONTROL PANEL > NETWORK CONNECTIONS > right-click LOCAL AREA CONNECTIONS, then click on STATUS. Click on the PROPERTIES button, scroll-down, and double-click on "Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)". In the next window, enter the IP address and subnet as shown below:

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O Obtain an IP address autor	natically
□ O Use the following IP addres	s:
<u>I</u> P address:	192 . 168 . 168 . 100
S <u>u</u> bnet mask:	255 . 255 . 255 . 0
Default gateway:	
C Obtain DNS server address	automatically
└ Use the following DNS serv	er addresses:
Preferred DNS server:	
Alternate DNS server:	

1.1.2. Click OK, then OK, then CLOSE.

- 1.2. Now, prepare the 2305-4339 unit to be configured and a small blunt instrument such as a toothpick or straightened paperclip. Make sure the unit is unpowered and not connected to anything.
- 1.3. Using the blunt instrument, hold down the RESET button, then power on the unit by plugging in the power adapter. When you see the POWER LED blink RED, release the RESET button, then the POWER LED should turn ORANGE. Only when the POWER LED is ORANGE can you access the unit's configuration web page, also known as Setup Mode.



1.4. Next, connect the unit to your computer using any standard Ethernet cable. Once the cable is connected, the STATUS LED turns green.



- 1.5. Open a browser, and enter the following "Setup IP address", depending if the unit you are configuring is a transmitter or a receiver:
 - 1.5.1. Transmitter (PCA) 192.168.168.21
 - 1.5.2. Receiver (TVA) 192.168.168.22

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Opening page http://192.168.168.21/	

1.6. You will see the settings web page where you can enter the "Operational IP address". This address is in effect only when the device is in normal AV operation (when POWER LED is not ORANGE), and is different from the "Setup IP address" above, which is permanent and cannot be changed. The "Setup IP address" in effect only when the POWER LED is ORANGE. Even if you have set an "Operational IP address" previously, entering this Setup mode will revert all settings back to the factory defaults:

PC2TV-TVA2 Settings						
Product Type	PC2TV-TVA2					
Firmware Version	0091					
Firmware Released Date	0x9318					
MAC	00:0bfb:00:00:22					
IP Address	192 . 168 . 168 . 22					
Subnet Mask	255 . 255 . 255 . 0					
Gateway IP	192 . 168 . 168 . 1					
Device Name	PC2TV-TVA					
Network Protocol	○ MAC Layer ⊙ IP Layer					
	Save Exit					
	Status :Done					

Now, you can enter an IP address for this unit, and also a friendly device name. Some rules-of-thumb:

- Because the 2305-4339 units will not be interacting with any other devices on your network, the IP address should be on a subnet which is currently not used by any device on your network. For example, if your router and DHCP server use the 192.168.1.x subnet, you set all your 2305-4339 devices to another subnet, such as its current factory subnet 192.168.168.x. However, be sure that every 2305-4339 unit has a unique address.
- For the Device Name, use a descriptive name which can easily be identified by the user. See example below.

PC2TV-	TVA2 Settings	1	Pei	mitted IP Address Ranges:
Product Type	PC2TV-TVA2		•	192.168.0.0 to 192.168.254.254
Firmware Version	0091		•	172.16.0.0 to 172.31.254.254
Firmware Released Date	0x9318		•	10.0.0.0 to 10.254.254.254
MAC	00:0bfb:00:00:22			
IP Address	192 . 168 . 168 . 200	┥		
Subnet Mask	255 . 255 . 255 . 0			
Gateway IP	192 . 168 . 168 . 1			
Device Name	Lobby TV	┥		
Network Protocol	○ MAC Layer ⊙ IP Layer			
	Save Exit			
	Status : Done			

- When done, click on SAVE, then EXIT. The unit will restart.
- 1.7. Disconnect the Ethernet cable from your computer and the unit. The 2305-4339 unit is now configured with the IP address 192.168.168.200, and Device Name "Lobby TV".
- 1.8. Repeat steps 1.2 to 1.7 for all 2305-4339 units in your setup, making sure **each unit has a different IP** address, but MUST HAVE the same first three octets (ie. 192.168.168.x). Here is an example:

Unit Type	Device Name	IP Address
RX	Lobby TV	192.168.168.200
RX	Upstairs TV	192.168.168.201
ТХ	DVD-Player-1	192.168.168.202
ТХ	DVR	192.168.168.203

1.9. Go back to the TCP/IP properties window as shown in step 1.1.1 above, and change it back to "Obtain an IP address automatically". Click OK, then OK, then CLOSE.

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- 2. Now that all your 2305-4339 devices are configured properly, you can begin connecting all the hardware and peripherals together.
 - 2.1. Receiver: Connect your display to the receiver's DVI-I port. You may need a DVI-VGA adapter, or DVI-HDMI adapter. Next, plug in the speakers or audio amplifier to the Audio Out jack of the receiver. If you are using a keyboard and/or mouse, you can plug those into the receiver as well. If you are using the IR repeater function, you can either just use the built-in IR window on the receiver, or use the included external receiver, and plug that into the Ext IR port in front. If you are using the device on a network, you can plug an Ethernet cable into the receiver now, and that cable into the network.



The included all-in-one cable can be used to extend the devices if the RX is in an inaccessible location.

Lastly, power up the unit by plugging in its power adapter. The POWER LED should be RED, and the STATUS LED should be GREEN.



2.2. Transmitter: The included all-in-one cable is used to conveniently connect a PC to the transmitter Connect your computer or source device to the transmitter's DVI-I port. You may need a DVI-VGA or DVI-HDMI adapter. If the signal coming from the source is DVI or HDMI, be sure to set the DVI/VGA switch to DVI. If the signal is VGA, set the switch to VGA. Next, plug one end of the audio cable into the Audio In jack on the transmitter, and the other end into your computer or source device's Line Out or Speaker Out jack. The audio cable also has a pass-through female connector for a local speaker connection. If you are using a keyboard and/or mouse, plug in the USB cable into the USB port on the transmitter, and the other end into a free USB port on your computer. If you are using the IR repeater function, plug the included IR emitter into the IR Out jack, and point the IR emitter to the device being controlled. If you are using the device on a network, you can plug an Ethernet cable into the transmitter.



Setup with a Consumer Electronics device such as a DVD player with HDMI output

At this point, you can also plug in a local VGA monitor to the transmitter. But note that the local VGA monitor will only work <u>if the input signal is also VGA</u>.



Lastly, power up the unit by plugging in it's power adapter. The POWER LED should be RED, and the STATUS LED should be GREEN.



2.3. 7-port Transmitter: The 7-port TX is identical as the1-port TX, except that it has a built-in 7-port Ethernet switch with IGMP snooping, designed specifically for use with multiple 2305-4339 units. You can plug seven other 2305-4339 devices directly into the 7-port TX, without the need for additional network hardware.



2.4. Repeat steps 2.1 to 2.3 above for all 2305-4339 devices that would be in use.

2.5. IMPORTANT: WHEN USING MULTIPLE TRANSMITTERS ON THE SAME NETWORK

Transmitters can consume up to 99% of available bandwidth on a 100Mb/s Ethernet link when running at 1080p. Therefore, the ideal method of connecting multiple transmitters to multiple receivers is to have all transmitters connected to a single switch using a direct connection, without any additional 100Mb/s switches in between. This ensures that each transmitter has a full 100Mb/s link to the switch:



An alternative is to have a Gigabit link in between switches to accommodate the additional bandwidth used by the multiple transmitters:



Most importantly, switches used with multiple 2305-4339 transmitters must have "**IGMP snooping**" functionality. This is critical in preventing multiple multicast streams from flooding the entire network, causing all other network devices such as computers to have slow or no access to the network. The IGMP snooping feature in switches intelligently identifies and routes the AV packets from the transmitters only to the appropriate RX destinations, not to computers that don't need it. This frees up bandwidth thereby allowing other network traffic to pass.

OSD Functions

The RX includes an On-Screen Display (OSD) menu which is enabled by pressing the SOURCE button on the front panel. The OSD menu provides the user with various settings and the ability to select which source video stream to display.



- Press the SOURCE button to cycle through the various options.
- To select an item, leave the desired item highlighted for three seconds.
- 1. RX (TVA) Setup via OSD

To set the options of the RX (TVA) unit, make sure that the RX is not connected to the network. Power it up with a display, and the following message will appear:

SEARCHING PCA . . . NOT FOUND

Wait a few seconds until the message disappears, the press the SOURCE button to bring up the OSD:

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> REFRESH
> TVA SETTING
> TVA OFF
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- REFRESH will search the network again for any enabled TX (PCA) units
- TVA SETTING brings up the options for the RX. Select this option to go to the next menu below
- TVA OFF disables the RX from displaying any video or audio



- AUDIO INPUT brings up the MIC input settings menu, see below
- IR INPUT brings up the IR remote input menu settings menu, see below
- RETURN goes to the previous menu
 - > MIC IN DISABLE > MIC IN ENABLE > RETURN
 - MIC IN DISABLE turns off the MIC input to save bandwidth
 - MIC IN ENABLE turns on the MIC input
 - RETURN goes to the previous menu

>	IR DISABI	.Е
>	INTERNAL	IR
>	EXTERNAL	IR

- > RETURN
- IR DISABLE turns off the IR repeater to save bandwidth
- INTERNAL IR enables the IR repeater using the front-panel IR receiver
- EXTERNAL IR enables the IR repeater using the external IR jack
- RETURN goes to the previous menu

2. Run-time OSD

When the RX is streaming video from a source transmitter, the OSD options are different than in #1 above. Again, pressing the SOURCE button brings up the OSD:

- > DVD-1 (00:00:20) connected > APPLE-3 (00:00:26) > REFRESH > VGA SYNC > PCA SETTING > TVA OFF > EXIT
- In the Run-Time OSD, the list of available transmitters is listed first. In the example here, two transmitters are shown, "DVD-1" and "APPLE-3". The numbers in the parentheses are its MAC addresses. The "connected" status indicates that this RX unit is currently showing the AV stream from the transmitter "DVD-1".

To select another transmitter's content to display, simply press the SOURCE button again until it is highlighted, wait three seconds, and its stream will be shown instead.

- VGA SYNC (appears only if input at transmitter is VGA) re-synchronizes VGA signal
- REFRESH will search the network again for any enabled TX (PCA) units
- PCA SETTING brings up the options for the currently selected transmitter. Select this option to go to the next menu below
- TVA OFF disables the RX from displaying any video or audio
- EXIT turns off the OSD
 - > MULTI/ONE TVA
 - > BANDWIDTH SETTING
 - > INFORMATION
 - > EXIT
 - MULTI/ONE TVA brings up the MULTI/ONE menu below
 - BANDWIDTH SETTING brings up the BANDWIDTH menu below
 - INFORMATION displays the current operating modes of both the receiver and currently selected transmitter
 - EXIT turns off the OSD



- ONE TVA ONLY sets the currently selected transmitter to Unicast mode wherein only this receiver can display that transmitter's content
- MULTI TVA sets the currently selected transmitter to Multicast mode wherein more than one receiver can display that transmitter's content
- EXIT turns off the OSD

- > LOW > MID > HIGH > EXIT
- LOW, MID and HIGH are various bandwidth settings which can be selected to save network bandwidth. These settings are effective only when the content being displayed is 1280x720 or higher
- EXIT turns off the OSD



• Here is the INFORMATION screen. It displays all the relevant information about the RX (TVA) and the currently selected transmitter (PCA).

Keyboard, Mouse, Mic and IR Remote Repeater Use

Input devices can be connected to the RX in order to control the transmitting device connected to a 1-port or 7-port TX. These devices can be a PS/2 keyboard, PS/2 mouse, microphone, or standard IR remote control. The microphone is set up in a similar way – simply plug in the mic or other low-level audio source into the MIC-IN jack on the RX. Make sure that the MIC IN is enabled in the OSD.



As for the remote repeater, you can either use the built-in or external IR receiver on the RX side. On the transmitting side, plug in the included IR transmitter into the IR OUT port, and aim it directly at the AV device's IR receiver window. Ensure that the proper IR setting is selected in the OSD.



Simply plug in the PS/2 devices into their respective ports on the transmitter, then power up the receiver. On the transmitter side, use the included USB cable to connect the transmitter's USB port to an unused USB port on the computer. Your computer may prompt you that it has detected new hardware, so just follow the prompts to complete the installation process.



One important note when using multiple receivers per transmitter: <u>Only the MASTER RX will have the functional keyboard</u>, mouse, and IR port with respect to each transmitter. To set which RX is the MASTER unit, turn off all other RX units, power up the desired unit first, and allow it to establish a connected to the transmitter. See the INFORMATION OSD screen above on how to display the RX's MASTER/SLAVE status. When the desired RX unit is already set as MASTER, all other RX units can be powered up.



Remote On – Off Switch

Each TX transmitter unit has a front-panel REMOTE ON/OFF switch. This switch disables all input devices (keyboard, mouse, and IR remote control on a Master RX) from controlling the computer or AV device connected to the transmitter.



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