MA-5544V

4K-HDR 4x4 HDBaseT Lite matrix with PoC

User Manual



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INTRODUCTION

The MA-5544V 4K-HDR 4x4 HDBaseT Lite matrix with PoC provides the most flexible and cost effective solution in the market to route high definition video sources plus multi-channel (up to 7.1-channel) digital audio from any of the four HDMI sources to the remote displays at the same time. MA-5544V supports all 3D formats, the true 4K 2K video and provides one HDMI local loopout. Through only one low cost Cat-5/5e/6 LAN cables, not only high quality video and audio can be transmitted to the display sites, but also users can switch among four HDMI sources using the push button, IR remote, RS-232, IP control, web-interface control, cloud, control 4 & Alexsa Echo control. Furthermore, the built-in IR extension function makes users at display site access the DVD player, PS4 or any HDMI supported devices directly! In addition, MA-5544V also supports PoC (Power over Cable) which can power RX unit from TX side with power supply.

FEATURES

- HDMI 2.0a compliant
- Supports 4K2K@60 4:4:4 8bits
- Supports HDR¹, which is 4K2K@60 4:2:0 10bits²
- Extends HDMI signal up to 60m (198ft) from the HDMI source at Full HD 1080p 36-bit, 35m (114ft) at 4K2K@60 444 (4K-HDR Technology)
- Supports PoC(Power over Cable) which can power RX unit from TX side with power supply
- Supports one HDMI loopout
- Supports audio extraction via stereo audio L/R & S/PDIF from HDMI loopout
- HDCP1.4 & HDCP2.2 compliant
- Supports resolution downscaling from 4K2K to 1080P³
- Bi-directional IR pass-though
- Allows controlling local HDMI sources or display through control path
- Allows controlling matrix switcher from IR remote
- Pure unaltered uncompressed 7.1ch digital HDMI over Cat.5/5e/6 cable transmission
- Allows any source to be displayed on multiple displays at the same time
- Allows any HDMI display to view any HDMI source at any time
- Supports 7.1 channel digital audio
- Supports default HDMI EDID and learns the EDID of displays to matrix switcher
- The matrix switcher can switch every output channels from any HDMI inputs by Push button, IR remote control, RS-232, IP control, web-interface control, cloud, control 4 & Alexsa Echo control.

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- Easy installation with rack-mounting
- Fast response time 6~8 seconds for channel switch

- 1. HDR = High Dynamic Range.
- (!)
- 2. The video bandwidth of 4K2K@60~4:2:0~10bits (HDR) is 384~MHz, and the 4K2K@60~4:4:4~8bits is 594MHz.
- 3. When used in conjunction with the EX-57VAC-I-SP-RX receiver
 - (a) The MA-5544V can support resolution downscaling from 4K2K to 1080P
 - (b) NOT supports resolution downscaling from 4K2K@60 4:2:2 to 1080P



The length depends on the characteristics and quality of the cables. Higher resolutions and longer transmission distances require low skew cables (<25ns/100m) for best performance. Unshielded CAT6 with metal RJ45 connectors is recommended.

PACKAGE CONTENTS

- 1x MA-5544V
- 1x IR receiver
- 1x DC 5V 4A
- 1x IR Remote control*
- 1x Rack-mounting ear set
- 1x Installation software CD
- 1x User Manual



* Additional IR remote controllers and IR blasters can be purchased as optional accessories to control the HDMI sources located separately.

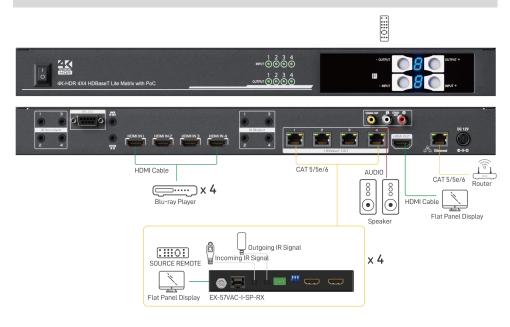
SPECIFICATIONS

Model N	Model Name MA-5544V				
Technical					
Role of usage		True 4x4 matrix switcher Transmitter [TX]			
HDMI compli	ance	HDMI 2.0a			
HDCP compl	iance	Yes			
Video bandw	idth	Single-link 600MHz [18Gbps]			
Video suppor	t	HDR 4K2K@60(4:2:0 10bits) / 4K2K@60 (4:4:4 8bits)			
Audio suppor	rt .	Surround sound (up to 7.1ch) or stereo digital audio			
PoC support		YES			
HDMI over UTP transmission range		1080p@60 – up to 60m (198ft) [CAT.X] 4K2K@60 444 (4K-HDR Technology) – 35m (114ft)			
Input TMDS s	signal	1.2 Volts [peak-to-peak]			
Input DDC sig	gnal	5 Volts [peak-to-peak, TTL]			
ESD protection		Human body model — ±15kV [air-gap discharge] & ±8kV [contact discharge]			
PCB stack-up		4-layer board [impedance control — differential 100 Ω ; single 50Ω]			
Input		4x HDMI / 1x RS-232 / 1x RJ-45 for IP Control / 5x IR socket for IR receiver			
Output		4x RJ-45(HDBaseT) / 1x HDMI / 1x RCA / 5x IR socket for IR blaster			
HDMI Input selection		Push button / IR remote control / RS-232 control / IP control / web- interface control / cloud / control 4 & Alexsa Echo control			
HDMI source	control	Controllable via IR pass-through from IR receiver at RX to IR blaster at TX			
IR remote control		Electro-optical characteristics: π = 25° / Carrier frequency: 38kHz			
HDMI connector		Type A [19-pin female]			
RJ-45 connector		WE/SS 8P8C(Reverse Mode)			
RS-232 connector		DE-9 [9-pin D-sub female]			
3.5mm connector		1. Earphone jack for IR blaster [All IR Out] IR signal from all outputs [IR1~IR4] IR control on individual source device 2. Earphone jack for IR receiver [System IR] Receives IR commands from remote control [IR1~IR4] Receives IR commands from individual remote control			
Mechanical					
Housing		Metal enclosure			
Dimensions [L x W x H]	Model Package Carton	440 x 228 x 44mm [1'4" x 8.9" x 1.7"] 526 x 318 x 156mm [1'7" x 12.5" x 6.1"] 543 x 335 x 344mm [1'8" x 13.2" x 1'1"]			
Weight	Model Package	2548g [5.6 lbs] 3833g [8.4lbs]			

Fixedness
Power supply
Power consumption
Operation temperature
Storage temperature
Relative humidity

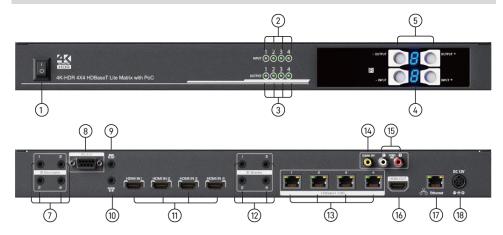
Wall-mounting case
12V 7.5A DC
70 Watt [max]
0~40°C [32~104°F]
-20~60°C [-4~140°F]
20~90% RH [no condensation]

CONNECTION DIAGRAM



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PANEL DESCRIPTIONS



- 1. Power Switch
- 2. Source Status: Input source indicator LED
- 3. Display Status: Output display indicator LED
- 4. IR SENSOR: IR sensor for receiving the IR commands from IR remote
- 5. Output Push Button & 7-segment LED: Front panel push buttons used to select the number of display channel & LED display for output ports
- **6. Input Push Button & 7-segment LED:** Front panel push buttons used to select the number of input source & LED display for input channels
- 7. IR Receiver 1-4: Infrared 3.5mm socket for plugging in the extension cable of IR receiver
- 8. RS-232: RS-232 control port
- 9. All IR Output: 3.5mm IR blaster socket for HDMI source control on all 4 inputs
- 10.System IR Receiver: Ext. IR receiver
- 11. INPUT 1-4: HDMI inputs
- 12.IR Blaster 1-4: 3.5mm IR blaster socket for individual HDMI source control
- 13.RJ-45: HDBT output port 1-4
- 14.S/PDIF output: Audio extraction from HDMI local loopout port 1
- 15.Stereo Audio Output L/R: Audio extraction from HDMI local loopout port 1
- 16.HDMI Local Loopout Port 1: Local HDMI loopout from HDBT output port 4
- **17. Ethernet:** Ethernet control port **18.+12V DC:** 12V DC power jack

IR PASS-THROUGH

[IR Extenders]





[IR Sockets]

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All IR Out: The default location for IR blaster to transmit all IR command signals received from any of the one remote receivers to all of the HDMI sources.

IR BLASTER 1-4: IR blaster connected here can only transmit IR command signals from the remote receivers that are setting at respective input channel from 1 to 4.

System IR: Receives IR commands from remote control

IR RECEIVER 1-4: Receives IR commands from individual remote control

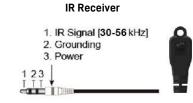


Incorrect placement of IR Blaster and Receiver may result in the failure of the IR extenders. Please check carefully before plugging in the IR extender to the respective IR sockets. Warranty will not cover the damage.

[Definition of IR Earphone Jack]

IR Blaster





You can buy any IR extension cables in the market that are compatible to the definition of the IR sockets for the extender if necessary for replacement use. However, IR cables longer than 2m (6-ft) may not work.

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OPERATION APPROACH

Method A: Push-in Button

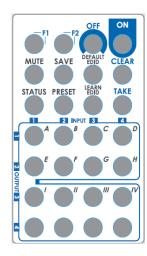


IN/OUT MAP

- (1) Use the "+" or "-" output push button to select the number of display
- (2) Use the "+" or "-" input push button to select the number of input source
 - "+": change selected input/output port in ascending order
 - "-": change selected input/output port in descending order

After you select the desired input/output port, the LED will blink twice and the setting will be effective

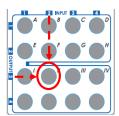
Method B: IR Remote Control



Button	Function
OFF	Standby mode
ON	Power on the matrix switcher
MUTE	Turn off output's video and audio
STATUS	Preset output status
SAVE	Save current mapping mode
PRESET	Preset mapping mode
DEFAULT EDID	Begin default EDID selection
LEARN EDID	Begin EDID learning from one output
CLEAR	Clear the previous IR operation procedure
TAKE	Trigger the previous setting
F1	Reserved
F2	Reserved

1. IN/OUT Switch

Operation	Procedure	7-Segment LED
IN/OUT Switch	Push the button on the checkerboard to select input & output port	
	Push the red circle button as below to select input 2 to output 3	3 2



2. Example of function key

Operation	Procedure	7-Segment LED
Output Status	Status + A~D(Output 1~4) + Clear	
	1.Press "STATUS" button	-
Ex: Output 4 (Input 2)	2.Press number key "D" to select Output 4	4
(3.Press "CLEAR" button	
Save Current Mapping	Save + A~H(1-8 storage site) + Take	
	1.Press "SAVE" button	d -
Ex: Save current mapping to 5	2.Press number key "E" to select the storage site 5	d 5
	3.Press "TAKE" button	
Preset Mapping	Preset + A~H(1-8 storage site) + Take	
	1.Press "PRESET" button	P -
Ex: Preset saved mapping from 5	2.Press number key "E" to select the storage site 5	P 5
	3.Press "TAKE" button	
Learn default EDID	Default EDID + A~H(1-8 default EDID) + I~IV(input 1~4) + Take	
	1.Press "DEFAULT EDID" button	E d
Ex: Default EDID 2	2.Press number key "B" to select default EDID 2	2 d
Input 3	3.Press number key "III" to select Input 3	2 3
	4.Press "TAKE" button	O or F O (success) F (fail)
Learn Output EDID	Learn + A~B(Output 1~2) + I ~IV(input 1~4) + Take	
	1.Press "LEARN" button	E L
Ev. Loarn Output /	2.Press number key "D" to select Output 4	4 L
Ex: Learn Output 4 Input 3	3. Press number key "III" to select Input 3	3
	4.Press "TAKE" button	0 or F 0 (success) F (fail)
Mute Output	Mute + A~B(Output 1~2) + Take	
	1. Press "MUTE" button	0
Ex: Mute Output 3	2. Press number key "C" to select Output 3	3 0
	3.Press "TAKE" button	0 3

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Method C: Software Control through RS-232 port

1. System Requirement

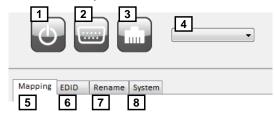
(1) OS Information: MS Win XP/7/8.1/10

(2) Baud rates: 115200

(3) Software size: 2 MB

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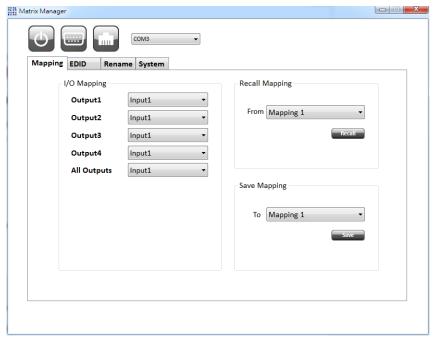
(4) Minimum RAM requirement: 256 MB



- Power ON/ Standby mode
 - Control SW via RS-232
- 3 Control SW via Network
- 4 COM Port Selection

- I/O Routing Tab
- 6 EDID Tab
- 7 Rename I/O Tab
- 8 System Tab

1. I/O Mapping Tab



➤ I/O Mapping

Switch the input for each output

Recall Mapping

- Select the stored Mapping(1-8)
- Click "Recall" button to recall previous mapping which are saved

Save Mapping

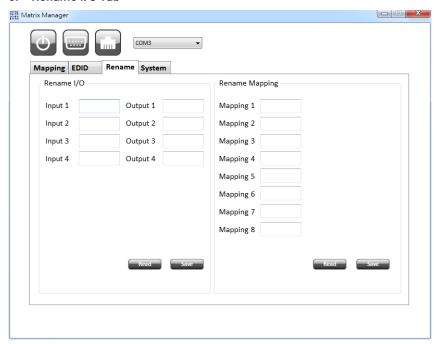
- Select Mapping(1-8)
- Click "Save" button to save current mapping

2. EDID Tab



- ➤ Learn EDID from Default to Input
 - Select Default EDID(1-17 Default EDID)
 - Select designated Input
 - Click "Apply" button to learn from default EDID
- ➤ Learn EDID from Display to Input
 - Select output
 - Select designated Input
 - Click "Apply" button to learn from HDBT output EDID
 - *Loopout does not support learning EDID function
- Load EDID File to Input
 - Click "Load File" button to select the EDID file
 - Select designated Input
 - Click "Apply" button to load EDID file
- View EDID
 - Select Input, HDBT output or EDID file
 - Click "View" button to read and analyze the EDID information

3. Rename I/O Tab



- Rename I/O
 - Rename the Inputs
 - Rename the Outputs
- Rename Mapping
 - Rename the Mappings

4. System Tab



- Network DHCP Mode
 - Click DHCP and then click the "Read" button to automatically get the IP address Info
- Network Static Mode
 - Click Static and then key in the "IP", "MASK", "GATEWAY" information. After setting IP address, please click "Save" to save IP address Info
- "Read" button *The default IP address is 192.168.1.70
 - Read the IP address from the device
- "Save" button
 - Save the key- in IP address
 - Cloud setting Association Code
 - To get an "association code". The device can use this code to pair with cloud server
 - Cloud Reset Cloud
 - To reset cloud after a successful pairing

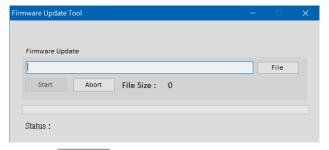
- ➤ MAC
- Read the device's MAC address information
- System Factory Reset
- To do factory default reset
- System Firmware Version
- To get the F/W version information

Firmware Update

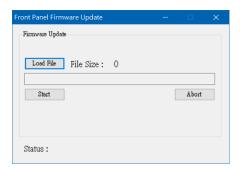
Before you start to update, please make sure you have secured the connection between your computer COM port and the device.

*When using Ethernet port to do software control, it cannot use firmware update function

- Main Board
 - ♦ Click the "Main Board" icon to open the Firmware Update Tool window



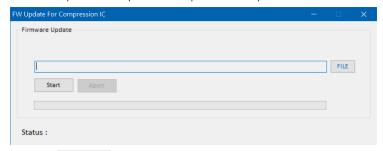
- ♦ Click the button to select the file which you want to write into device
- ♦ Click the Start button and the firmware will start to update
- Front Panel
 - Click the "Front Panel" icon to do front panel firmware update, the firmware update window of front panel shows up as below



- ♦ Click the Load File button to select the file which you want to write into device
- ♦ Click the Start button and the firmware will start to update
- ♦ After updating, please power cycle the device

Input

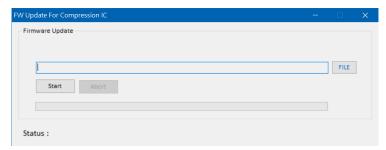
- ♦ Before you start to do input firmware update, please ensure you have connected the software through RS-232 port
- ♦ Click the "Input" icon to open the FW Update for Compression IC window



- Click the button to select the firmware file which you want to write into device
- ♦ Click the button and the firmware will start to update
- ♦ After updating, please power cycle the device

Output

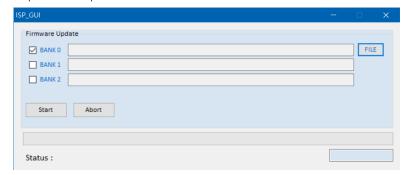
- ♦ Before you start to do output firmware update, please ensure you have connected the software through RS-232 port
- ♦ Click the "Output" icon to open the FW Update for Compression IC window



- Click the button to select the firmware file which you want to write into device
- ♦ Click the Start button and the firmware will start to update
- ♦ After updating, please power cycle the device

LoopOut

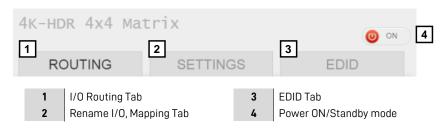
- ♦ Before you start to do output firmware update, please ensure you have connected the software through RS-232 port
- ♦ Click the "LoopOut" icon to open the firmware update window and the window of loopout shows up as below



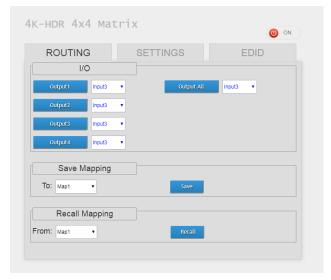
- ♦ Click the button to load the firmware file
- ♦ Click the Start button to do firmware update
- ♦ After updating, please power cycle the device

Method D: Web Interface Control

The default IP address: 192.168.1.70



1. I/O Routing Tab



► I/0:

Switch the input for each output

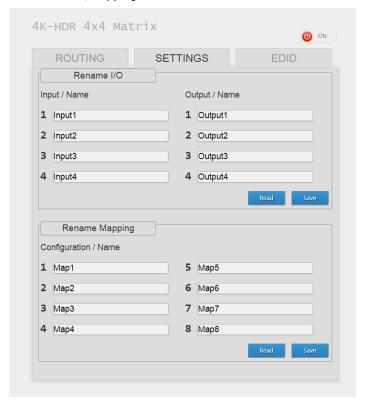
Save Mapping

- Select Mapping 1~8
- Click "Save" button to save current mapping

Recall Mapping

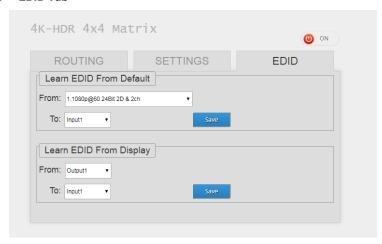
- Select the stored Mapping 1~8
- Click "Recall" button to recall previous saved mapping

2. Rename I/O, Mapping Tab



- Rename I/0:
 - Rename the Inputs
 - Rename the Outputs
- Rename Mapping:
 - Rename the Mappings

3. EDID Tab



- Learn EDID from Default
 - Select Default EDID (1-17 default EDID)
 - Select input
 - Click "Send" button to learn default EDID
- Learn EDID from Display
 - · Select output
 - Select input
 - Click "Send" button to learn display EDID

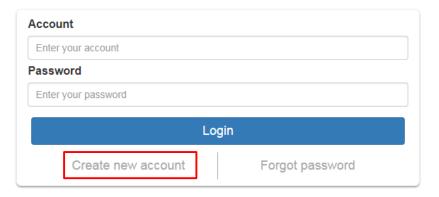
4. Power ON / Standby mode

Method E: Cloud Control (Eagleyes) through Ethernet port

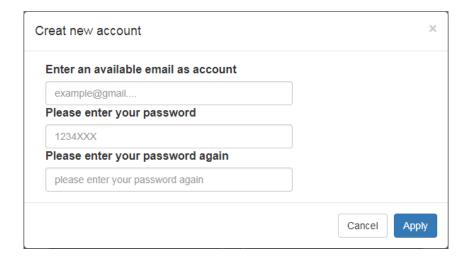
Create Account

The first time to use the Eagleyes service, please create a new account.

1. Access Eagleyes (http://www.eagleyes.io) and click "Create new account".

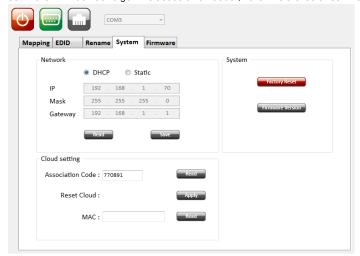


2. The Registration page will pop up and please fill in your email and password information to create your private account.



Add Device to Eagleyes

 Firstly, please make sure the device is connected to the Ethernet. Then please executing the software with device to get the association code (Note: the status of software is connected).



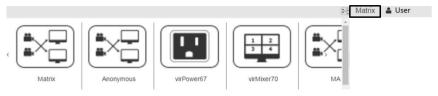
Access Eagleyes (http://www.eagleyes.io or download Eagleyes
APP and then log in your account on the right top corner. Click Add
device to add the device which you just got its association code.



3. Enter the Installer Email for online support in the future, and the Association Code for pairing with your device.



4. After adding the device, the list of device related to your account will show on the right top corner. You can click the button to switch device for control.



EDID LEARNING

The EDID learning function is to resolve audio and video playing issues at HDMI output port. Because the HDMI source devices and displays may have various level of capability in playing audio and video, the general principle is that the source device will output the lowest standards in audio format and video resolutions to be commonly acceptable among all HDMI displays. In this case, a 720p stereo HDMI signal output would be probably the safest choice. Nevertheless, the user can force the matrix to learn the EDID of the lowest capable HDMI display among others to make sure all displays are capable of playing the HDMI signals normally.

There are **THREE methods** to do EDID Learning as below,

- 1. IR Remote Control: Please refer to the Operation Approach\ Method B: IR Remote Control
- 2. Software Control: Please refer to the Operation Approach\ Method C: Software Control through RS-232 port / Ethernet port
- 3. Web Interface Control: Please refer to the Operation Approach\ Method D: Web Interface Control

There are seventeen embedded default EDID as below.

- 1. Full-HD(1080p@60)-24bit 2D & 2ch
- **2.** Full-HD(1080p@60)-24bit 2D & 7.1ch
- Full-HD(1080p@60)-24bit 3D & 2ch
- 4. Full-HD(1080p@60)-24bit 3D & 7.1ch
- **5.** HD(1080i@60)(720p@60)-24bit 2D & 2ch
- 6. HD(1080i@60)(720p@60)-24bit 2D & 7.1ch
- 7. Full-HD(1080p@60)-36bit 2D & 2ch
- 8. Full-HD(1080p@60)-36bit 2D & 7.1ch
- 9. Full-HD(1080p@60)-24bit 2D & 2ch & Dolby 5.1ch
- 10. 4k2k@30 2ch
- 11. 4k2k@30 7.1ch
- **12.** 4k2k@30-3D-PCM2CH(2ch)
- **13.** 4k2k@30-3D-BITSTR(7.1ch)
- **14.** 4k2k@60-420-3D-PCM2CH(2ch)
- **15.** 4k2k@60-420-3D-BITSTR(7.1ch)
- 16. 4k2k@60-3D-PCM2CH(2ch)
- **17.** 4k2k@60-3D-BITSTR(7.1ch)

FAQ

Q Can I use any kind of LAN cable?

A Please check the NOTICE section for more information about how to pick up a suitable cable.

Q Can every TV work with the HDMI matrix?

A Basically, the answer is YES. But if your TV can not support 1080p, please refer the EDID LEARNING section to learn EDID from your TV.

Q What is EDID? Why do I need to learn EDID?

A EDID contains the whole information of the display such as the resolution and audio setting which this display can support. Therefore, based on the EDID information, media player will pick up the most suitable resolution and audio setting to the display. In order to faithfully transmit the EDID information from display to the media player, learning EDID from display to this device is necessary.

Q What should I do to learn EDID for the matrix?

A Due to the limitation of HDMI, the source device can only output one format of video and audio. In other words, the source device cannot output 720p and 1080p video at the same time, or output stereo and surround sound at the same time. Therefore, you may need to manually setup each HDMI input for desirable audio/video output format. The mechanism of EDID Learning is to pick up the HDMI display with the lowest capability among the ones you would use for this input source. For example, if user would like to play the Input-2 upon output-2, output-3 and output-4, and only output-3 cannot support 1080p [support up to 720p only], please learn the EDID from the display connected to the output-3 at the Input-2 port. Of course, if outpt-3 would get the HDMI signals from every HDMI input, please learn EDID information from output3 to all four HDMI inputs. For more information about EDID Learning, please refer to EDID LEARNING section.

Q My TV can support 1080p, but why there is no audio?

A Thefactory default EDID of this device is 1080p &2ch audio. However, there would be a problem after you change to use 1080p & 7.1ch if the TV cannot support 7.1ch audio. Please use the default EDID,1080p &2ch audio.

Q When I set an audio amplifier (AV receiver) between TV and the matrix to extract 7.1ch audio, but why there is still no audio?

A Basically, the default EDID of the chosen input can support 7.1ch audio, but the problem is that the EDID of the amplifier still cannot match the default setting. Therefore, the best method is to learn EDID from the amplifier directly. Please refer to EDID LEARNING section and follow the steps to learn the EDID. When learning EDID from the amplifier, user just needs to connect the matrix and amplifier. **Please don't connect HDMI cable between amplifier and TV when the EDID learning is proceeding.**

Q When I play the same content upon multi-displays, why only the TV equipped with amplifier can have 7.1ch audio, and the others don't have 7.1ch audio even no stereo?

A Due to the limitation of HDMI, the source only can choose one video and one audio format to play, which can be either 1080p and 7.1ch or 1080p and stereo audio. It means when the user sets the matrix at 1080p and 7.1ch, the source will only play the content under this format. Therefore if the TV cannot decode 7.1ch audio, there is definitely no audio.

NOTICE

- If the DVI or HDMI device requires the EDID information, please use EDID Reader/Writer to retrieve and provide DVI/HDMI EDID information.
- All HDMI over Cat.X transmission distances are measured using Belden 1583A CAT5e 125MHz LAN cable and ASTRODESIGN Video Signal Generator VG-859C & VG-870B.
- 3. EIA/TIA-568-B termination (T568B) for LAN cables is recommended for better performance.
- 4. To reduce the interference among the unshielded twisted pairs of wires in LAN cable, one can use shielded LAN cables to improve EMI problems, which is worsen in long transmission.
- Because the quality of the LAN cables has the major effect on how long the transmission limit can
 achieve and how good is the received picture quality, the actual transmission range is subject to
 one's choice of LAN cables. For desired resolutions greater than 1080i or 1280x1024, a Cat-6 cable is
 recommended.
- If your HDMI display has multiple HDMI inputs, it is found that the first HDMI input [HDMI input #1] generally can produce better transmission performance among all HDMI inputs.
- Additional IR remote controls and IR blasters can be purchased as optional accessories to control
 the HDMI sources located separately.
- 8. Solid cable is preferred.

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