

# KVM - DVI, Audio, USB 2.0, Cat 5 Extender

1640 feet (500 meters)

EL3500 User Guide





# Thank you for purchasing the KVM - DVI, Audio, USB 2.0, Cat 5 Extender 1640 feet (500 meters)

Please read this guide thoroughly.

#### FCC Radio Frequency Interference Statement Warning

This device complies with FCC Part 15 Subpart B.

#### **CE Statement**

The product meets European Standard EMC EN 55022 Class A, EN 61000, and EN 55024. **IC Statement** 

This Class A digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

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# Introduction

The instructions in this guide assume a general knowledge of computer installation procedures, familiarity with cabling requirements, and some understanding of USB devices.



NOTES provide additional information that could be useful.

CAUTIONS provide important information about an operational requirement.

### **Product Contents**

Packaged with:

- Local Extender
- **Remote Extender**
- 5V DC power adapter ٠
- 24V DC power adapter
- USB Cable (6 ft)
- DVI Cable (5 ft)
- Quick Start Guide and Warranty Information



The product is a unique extender product requires two power adapters, one for the local extender and one for the remote extender. The provided 5V, 3A power adapter must be connected to the Local Extender and the 24V, 1A power adapter must be connected to the Remote Extender.

## **Requirements**

To complete the installation, you will also require the following items that are not included with the product:

- A computer with a DVI-D/DVI-I output
- USB 1.1 or 2.0 compatible computer (host computer) with a USB compliant operating system
- USB 1.1 or 2.0 compatible device(s)
- Cat 5 Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP) cable with two RJ45 connectors (if using surface cabling),
- OR, Cat 5 cabling with two information outlets and two Cat 5 patch cords with RJ45 connectors (if using premise cabling)



All references to Cat 5 cable in this document represent the minimum requirement. Category 6 or better or STP cable may be substituted.

# About the KVM - DVI, Audio, USB 2.0, Cat 5 Extender

The product incorporates ExtremeLink<sup>™</sup> technology, enabling users to extend their video and USB up to 500 meters. The product is designed as a remote desktop or KVM (keyboard, video mouse) extender.

# Compatibility

The product is compatible with many graphics cards, operating systems, and monitors. However, there is no guarantee that all devices are compatible with the product as there are a number of different factors that may impact the operation of the KVM Extender.

The product complies with USB 1.1 and USB 2.0 specifications governing the design of USB devices. However, there is no guarantee that all USB devices are compatible with the product as there are a number of different factors that may impact the operation of USB devices over extended distances.

# **Specifications**

#### Monitors

•	Samsung	• Dell	• HP
٠	Viewsonic	• Acer	BENQ

- Viewsonic
- ASUS

#### **Discrete Graphics Cards**

- NVIDIA ION
- Matrox P-Series
- NVIDIA Quadro Series
- NVIDIA GeForce Mobility 9000

#### **Resolutions Supported @ 60Hz**

- 640 x 480 (4:3)
- 800 x 600 (4:3)
- 1024 x 768 (4:3)
- 1280 x 720 (16:9)

#### **Host Operating Systems**

- Windows 7 (32 bit & 64 bit)
- Windows Vista (32 bit & 64 bit)
- Mac OS X (Leopard/Snow Leopard)

#### Peripherals

- Keyboard
- Mass Storage Device
- Printer/Scanner
- High Compression/Low Resolution

- ATI Radeon HD 2000 Series and Above
- Intel GMA 950 and GMA HD
- ATI FireGL/FirePro Series
- NVIDIA Geforce 6000 Series and Above
- 1280 x 768 (5:3)
- 1280 x 800 (16:10) • 1280 x 1024 (5:4)
- 1366 x 768 (16:9)
- 1440 x 900 (16:10)
- 1680 x 1050 (16:10)
- 1360 x 768 (16:9)
- Windows XP (32 bit & 64 bit)
- Linux
- Mouse
- Speakers
- DAQs
- Web Camera

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t & 64 bit)

# The Local Extender

The Local Extender connects to the computer using the attached DVI and USB cable.



ITEM	ТҮРЕ	DESCRIPTION	
1	Status LED (Green)	<b>LED</b> green indicates the system is ready. <b>Green</b> blinking indicates the system is being configured. <b>Off</b> indicates there is no power applied to the unit.	
2	Link LED (Green)	<b>LED</b> green indicates a valid link is established between the Local and Remote Extender. <b>Off</b> indicates there is no link.	
3	Video LED (Green/Amber)	<b>LED</b> green indicates the system has a valid link from the Host computer and a valid link to the Remote Extender. <b>Green</b> blinking indicates video data is being transmitted between the Local and Remote Extender. <b>Amber</b> indicates there is no video source connected to the Local Extender. <b>Blinking Amber</b> indicates an invalid resolution is being detected. <b>Off</b> indicates there is no link between the Local and Remote Extenders.	
4	USB LED (Green/Amber)	<b>LED</b> green indicates the system is properly enumerated on the host computer. Green blinking indicates USB data is being transmitted between the Local and Remote Extenders. <b>Amber</b> indicates that there is no USB connection to the host computer. <b>Blinking Amber</b> indicates an over current condition on one or more of the USB ports. Off indicates there is no link between the Local and Remote Extenders.	
5	DVI-D In	Accepts DVI-D connector for video input from the host computer.	
6	Config	Reserved for company use only	
7	Device Port (USB Type B)	Used to connect the Local Extender unit to the host computer.	
8	Link Port (RJ45)	Accepts RJ45 receptacle for Cat 5 cabling (or better).	
9	Power Port	Connects to the 5V, 3A power adapter.	

#### **The Remote Extender**

The Remote Extender provides DVI output to a monitor, microphone input, headphone output, and three USB Type A ports for standard USB devices. Additional devices may be connected by attaching USB hubs.



ITEM	ТҮРЕ	DESCRIPTION
1	Device Port (USB Type A)	Accepts USB device(s).
2	Status LED (Green)	<b>LED</b> green indicates the system is ready. <b>Green</b> blinking indicates the system is being configured. Off when no power is applied to the unit.
3	Link LED (Green)	<b>LED</b> green indicates a valid link is established between the Local and Remote Extender. <b>Off</b> indicates there is no link.
4	Video LED (Green/Amber)	<b>LED</b> green indicates the unit has a valid video link to the monitor. and a link with the Local Extender. <b>Green</b> blinking indicates video data is being transmitted between the Local and Remote Extender. <b>Ambe</b> r indicates that there is no monitor connected to the Remote Extender or a monitor is not compatible with the system. <b>Blinking Ambe</b> r indicates an invalid resolution is being detected. <b>Off</b> indicates there is no link between the Local and Remote Extender is no link between the Local and Remote Extenders.
5	USB LED (Green/Amber)	<b>LED</b> green indicates the system is properly enumerated on the host computer. <b>Green</b> blinking indicates USB data is being transmitted between the Local and Remote Extenders. <b>Amber</b> indicates that there is no USB connection to the host computer. <b>Blinking Amber</b> indicates an over current condition on one or more of the USB ports. <b>Off</b> indicates there is no link between the Local and Remote Extenders.
6	DVI-D Out	Accepts DVI-D connector to the remote monitor.
7	Headphone Out	Accepts 3.5 mm audio connector.
8	Microphone In	Accepts microphone input for audio.
9	Config	Reserved for company use only.
10	Link Port (RJ45)	Accepts RJ45 receptacle for Cat 5 cabling (or better).
11	Power Port	Connects to the 24V, 1A power adapter.

# **Installation Guide**



USB extension up to 500m Cat 5 (or better) cable

Before you can install the product, you need to prepare your site:

- 1. Determine where the computer is to be located and set up the computer.
- 2. Determine where you want to locate the remote desktop including the monitor, keyboard, mouse and any other USB device(s).
- 3. If you are using surface cabling, the product supports a maximum distance of 500m.

OR

If you are using premise cabling, ensure Cat 5 cabling is installed between the two locations, with Cat 5 information outlets located near both the computer and the USB device(s), and the total length, including patch chords is no more than 500m.

#### Installing the Local Extender unit

- 1. Place the Local Extender unit near the computer.
- 2. Install the supplied USB cable to Local Extender (Type B Port), and an available USB 2.0/1.1 Type A Port on the computer.
- 3. Install the supplied DVI cable to the Local Extender (DVI-D In), and an available DVI Port on the computer.

#### Installing the Remote Extender unit

- 1. Place the Remote Extender unit near the monitor and USB device(s) in the desired remote location.
- 2. Connect the Remote Extender DVI-D Out to the monitor with a DVI cable.
- 3. Plug in your USB and Audio Device(s).

### **Connecting the Local Extender to the Remote Extender**



To ensure proper operation, it is recommended that only Cat 5 or better, Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP) cabling be used to connect the Local Extender unit to the Remote Extender unit. The cabling must have a straight-through conductor configuration with no crossovers and must be terminated with 8 conductor RJ45 connectors at both ends. The combined length of any patch cords using stranded conductors must not exceed 10m.

With Surface Cabling

- 1. Plug one end of the Cat 5 cabling (not included) into the Link port (RJ45) on the Local Extender unit.
- 2. Plug the other end of the Cat 5 cabling into the Link port (RJ45) on the Remote Extender unit.

With Premise Cabling

- 1. Plug one end of a Cat 5 patch cord (not included) into the Link port (RJ45) on the Local Extender unit.
- 2. Plug the other end of the patch cord into the Cat 5 information outlet near the host computer.
- 3. Plug one end of the second Cat 5 patch cord (not included) into the Link port (RJ45) on the Remote Extender unit.
- 4. Plug the other end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> patch cord into the Cat 5 information outlet near the USB device.

#### **Connecting Power to the Local Extender and Remote Extender**

- 1. Plug the 5V, 3A power adapter into a suitable AC outlet near the Local Extender.
- 2. Connect the power adapter to the Local Extender.
- 3. Plug the 24V, 1A power adapter into a suitable AC outlet near the Remote Extender.
- 4. Connect the power adapter to the Remote Extender.

Use only the power adapters supplied with the product. Use of substitute adapters may cause permanent damage
 to the system and will void the warranty.

#### **Checking the Installation**

note Allow up to one minute for the initial boot up of your KVM extender product.

- 1. On the Local Extender and Remote Extender units, check that the Status, Link, Video, and USB LEDs are on. If the Link LED is permanently off, then the cabling between the Local Extender and Remote Extender unit is not installed properly or is defective.
- 2. For Windows users (XP, Vista, Windows 7), open Device Manager to confirm that the CMEDIA Audio Device has installed correctly. Expand the entry for Universal Serial Bus controllers by clicking the + sign. If the CMEDIA device has installed correctly, you should find it listed as "USB PNP Audio Device".
- 3. Check to see if the USB and Video LEDs are blinking green. If they are not blinking this indicates there is no USB data or Video data. Check the DVI and USB connections to the host computer and the DVI connection to the monitor. Check to see if any USB devices are connected to the Remote Extender.

- 4. Check to see if the Status LED is solid green. If it is blinking this indicates your system is not yet ready.
- 5. Check all LEDs to ensure none are amber. This will indicate there is a problem with the Video or USB.
- 6. If the product is not displaying video or your USB device fails to be detected by your Operating System, please consult the Troubleshooting Guide.



To open System Profiler in OS X: Open the Finder, select Applications, then open the Utilities folder and double click on the System Profiler icon.

To open Device Manager in Windows 2000 or XP: Right click "My Computer" then select: Properties >> Hardware tab >> Device Manager

To open Device Manager in Windows Vista or Windows 7: Open the Start menu, right click on "Computer" then select: Manage >> Device Manager

#### **Connecting a USB Device**

- 1. Install any software required to operate the USB device(s). Refer to the documentation for the USB device(s), as required.
- 2. Connect the USB device to the device port on the Remote Extender unit.
- 3. Check that the device is detected and installed properly in the operating system.

#### Troubleshooting

The following table provides troubleshooting tips. The topics are arranged in the order in which they should be executed in most situations. If you are unable to resolve the problem after following these instructions, please contact Technical Support for further assistance.

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
All LEDs on	<ul> <li>The Local Extender unit is not</li></ul>	<ol> <li>Ensure that the DC power adapter is properly</li></ol>
Local Extender	receiving power from the Local	connected to the Local Extender unit. <li>Check that the DC adapter is connected to a live</li>
unit are off.	Extender DC adapter.	source of electrical power.

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
All LEDs on Remote Extender unit are off.	The Remote Extender unit is not receiving power from the Demote Systemder DC adapter	1. Ensure that the DC power adapter is properly connected to the Remote Extender unit.
	Kemole Extender DC adapter.	2. Check that the DC adapter is connected to a live source of electrical power.
Link LEDs on Local Extender unit and Remote Extender unit are off and Status LED is blinking green.	<ul> <li>There is no connection between the Local Extender unit and Remote Extender unit.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Ensure a Cat 5 cable is connected between the Local Extender unit and Remote Extender unit. Use a Cat 5 or better cable, UTP with a straight through connector and no crossovers, and 8 conductor RJ45 connectors are used at both ends.</li> </ol>
		2. Connect a short Cat 5 patch cord between the Local Extender unit and Remote Extender unit to determine if the original Cat 5 cable is defective.
Link LED on Local Extender unit is on,	<ul> <li>The host computer is not powered on.</li> </ul>	1. Disconnect all USB devices from the Remote Extender unit.
Extender unit is amber.	<ul> <li>The Local Extender unit is not connected to the computer.</li> </ul>	2. Disconnect the Local Extender unit from the computer.
	<ul> <li>The computer does not support USB hubs.</li> </ul>	3. Disconnect the Local Extender and Remote Extender units from the DC power adapters.
	<ul> <li>The unit is malfunctioning.</li> <li>The USB cable is defective.</li> </ul>	4. Reconnect the Local Extender unit to the DC power adapter.
		5. Reconnect the Remote Extender unit to the DC power adapter.
		6. Reconnect the USB devices to the Remote Extender unit.
		7. Reconnect the Local Extender unit to   the computer.
		8. If the USB LED continues to be off, contact Technical Support.
The monitor has a black screen and the video LED is blinking amber.	<ul> <li>The resolution being sent by the host computer is not compatible with the KVM extender product.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Restart the host computer.</li> <li>Connect the monitor directly to the host computer.</li> <li>Change to a supported resolution.</li> </ol>

audio.	<ul> <li>is no</li> <li>The USB CMEDIA PNP Audio device is not selected as the default audio device.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Check that the CMEDIA device is enumerated on the host computer.</li> <li>If the CMEDIA device is not enumerated call Technical Support.</li> <li>If the CMEDIA device is enumerated do the following.         <ul> <li>a. In Windows: Go to the Control Panel, select Sound or Sound and Audio Devices, Select USB Audio Devices, set USB Audio Devices as default playback.</li> <li>b. In Mac OS X: Go to System Settings, select Sound, select USB PNP device, set USB PNP</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
		devices as default. c. In Linux Ubuntu: Go to System, Preferences, and select Sound. To set up the microphone, click on the 'Input' tab and select "USB_PnP_ Sound Device Analog Mono". To setup Stereo- Out, click on the "Output" tab and select "USB_PnP_Sound_Device Analog Stereo".

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
All LEDs on both the Local Extender	<ul> <li>The USB device is malfunctioning.</li> </ul>	1. Disconnect the KVM extender product from the computer.
Extender unit are on, but the USB	• The computer does not recognize the USB device.	2. Connect the USB device directly to the USB port on the computer.
device does not operate correctly or is detected	• The application software for the device is not operating.	3. If the device does not operate properly, consult the user documentation for the device.
as an "Unknown Device" in the operating system.	<ul> <li>The KVM extender product is malfunctioning.</li> </ul>	4. Update your system BIOS, chipset or USB Host controller drivers from your System/Mother board manufacturer's website.
		5. Make sure the Operating System as all the latest updates installed.
		6. If the device operates properly when directly connected to the computer, connect another device (of a different type) to the KVM extender product. Connect the KVM extender product to the computer.
		<ul><li>7. If the second device does not operate, the KVM extender product may be malfunctioning.</li><li>Contact Technical Support for assistance.</li></ul>
		8. If the second device does operate properly, the first device may not be compatible with the KVM extender product.
Microphone or Headphone doesn't operate	<ul> <li>The audio device is not enumerated on the host computer.</li> </ul>	1. Check that the CMEDIA device is enumerated on the host computer. On Mac it will be listed as USB PNP device.
correctly.	Audio jack not fully inserted.	2. If the CMEDIA device is not enumerated contact
	<ul> <li>The two connectors for the Microphone and Headphone are reversed.</li> </ul>	Technical Support.
Specific resolution	Latest video drives are not	1. Ensure the latest video drivers are installed.
doesn't show in the graphics/video settings	installed or resolution is not supported.	2. The specific resolution is not listed by the monitors EDID and is therefore not supported with the KVM extender product.
		3. The specific resolution might not be supported by the KVM extender product.

# Specifications

Range	1640 feet (500 meters) over Cat 5e (or better) cable	
USB device support	High-speed devices (480 Mb/s) (USB 2.0) Full speed devices (12 Mb/s) (USB 2.0 & 1.1) Low speed devices (1.5 Mb/s) (USB 2.0 & 1.1)	
USB hub support	Any single chain can include up to 4 USB hubs plus one ExtemeLink 3500.	
USB host support	EHCI (USB 2.0) and OHCI/UHCI (USB 1.1)	
Maximum USB devices supported	13 USB devices	
AC adapter(s)	Input: 100/240 V AC, 50 – 60 Hz Output: 5V DC, 3A (15 W) Input: 100/240 V AC, 50 – 60 Hz, Output: 24V DC, 1A (24 W)	
Power available to USB device at REX unit	500 mA each port	
Local Extender		
Video Connector	DVI-D ln (24-pin connector)	
USB connector	1 x USB Type B	
Link connector	1 x RJ45	
Dimensions	4.4" x 6.9" x 1.18" (112 mm x 175 mm x 30 mm)	
Remote Extender		
Video Connector	DVI-D Out (24-pin connector)	
Link connector	1 x RJ45	
USB connector	3 x USB Type A	
Audio	3.5 mm microphone in, 3.5 mm headphone out	
Dimensions	4.4" x 6.9" x 1.18" (112 mm x 175 mm x 30 mm)	
Operating temperature range	32°F to 122°F (0°C to 50°C)	
Storage temperature range	-4°F to 158°F (-20°C to 70°C)	
Operating humidity	20% to 80% relative humidity, non-condensing	
Storage humidity	10% to 90% relative humidity, non-condensing	
Regulatory testing	FCC Part 15 Class A, CE, ICES-003 Class A	
ESD rating	EMC EN-61000-4-2 4kV Contact, 8kV Air	

# **Contacting Technical Support**

If you are experiencing problems not referenced in Trouble Shooting, you may contact **Technical Support** (techsupport@icron.com) and send the following information:

- Host computer make and model
- Type of operating system installed (e.g. Windows XP, Mac OS X, Windows 7 etc.)
- Part number and serial number for both the Local Extender unit and Remote Extender unit
- Make and model of any USB device(s) attached to the product
- Description of the installation
- Description of the problem

#### **Warranty Information**

#### **Limited Hardware Warranty**

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### **Technical Glossary**

#### Category 5 (Cat 5) Network Cabling

Category 5 cable is commonly also referred to as Cat 5. This cabling is available in either solid or stranded twisted pair copper wire variants and as UTP (Unshielded Twisted Pair) or STP (Shielded Twisted Pair). UTP cables are not surrounded by any shielding making them more susceptible to electromagnetic interference (EMI). STP cables include shielding over each individual pair of copper wires and provides better protection against EMI. Category 5 has been superseded by Cat 5e cabling which includes improved data integrety to support high-speed communications.

#### **USB** Cables

USB cables have two distinct connectors. The Type A connector is used to connect the cable from a USB device to the Type A port on a computer or hub. The Type B connector is used to attach the USB cable to a USB device.



#### RJ45

The Registered Jack (RJ) physical interface is what connects the network cabling (Cat 5) to the Local Extender unit and Remote Extender unit. You may use either the T568A scheme (Table 1) or the T568B scheme (Table 2) for cable termination as the extender uses all four pairs of the cable. RJ45 connectors are sometimes also referred to as 8P8C connectors.

#### **RJ45 Pin Positioning**

Table 1 - T568A Wiring			
PIN	PAIR	WIRE	CABLE COLOR
1	3	1	WHITE/GREEN
2	3	2	GREEN
3	2	1	WHITE/ORANGE
4	1	2	BLUE
5	1	1	WHITE/BLUE
6	2	2	ORANGE
7	4	1	WHITE/BROWN
8	4	2	BROWN



Table 2 - T568B Wiring

PIN	PAIR	WIRE	CABLE COLOR
1	2	1	WHITE/ORANGE
2	2	2	ORANGE
3	3	1	WHITE/GREEN
4	1	2	BLUE
5	1	1	WHITE/BLUE
6	3	2	GREEN
7	4	1	WHITE/BROWN
8	4	2	BROWN

