





# 16x16 3GSDI Matrix

# GEF-3GSDI-16416

# User Manual

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## The Gefen 16x16 3GSDI Matrix

Now you can easily combine sixteen cross-platform computers and sixteen digital displays using the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix. The Matrix provides a simple, reliable and highly effective method of routing multiple computer workstations. Each 3GSDI source is capable of displaying video on any one of 16 3GSDI displays. The Matrix can be controlled by using either the buttons on the front panel, the built-in RS-232 interface, or the included IR remote.

## How It Works

The 16x16 3GSDI Matrix has sixteen (16) inputs and sixteen (16) outputs. Connect up to sixteen (16) 3GSDI sources to the 3GSDI input ports. Connect up to sixteen (16) 3GSDI outputs to the displays. Plug in the power cord and power on the Matrix. The connected displays will show video according to the selection.

# READ THESE NOTES BEFORE INSTALLING OR OPERATING THE 16X16 3GSDI MATRIX

- There is no internal scaling in the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix. All of the attached monitors must be able to display the resolutions output by the source devices. For maximum compatibility it is recommended that only one compatible/common resolution be used by all of the source devices.
- Routing features can be accessed using the serial control interface.
- IP Control will be available in a future firmware release.
- **IMPORTANT:** If the unit is installed in a closed or multi-rack assembly, do not block the ventilation holes of the enclosure.

#### Features

- Increases productivity
- Supports resolutions up to 1080p, 1920x1200, and 2K.
- Front panel control buttons for local switching.
- Serial interface for remote control via a computer or control automation devices supports RS-232 and RS-485 protocols.
- Discrete IR remote control
- Redundant Internal AC power supply
- Output masking command
- Standby mode
- Grounding pin
- IR Sensor
- IR Extender
- Power On/Off switch
- Status LCD (shows routing status)
- Rack mountable

#### Package Includes

- (1) GefenPRO 16x16 3GSDI Matrix
- (1) IR Remote Control unit
- (1) AC Power Cord
- (1) Set of Rack Ears
- (1) User Manual

# <u>Front Panel</u>



# Front Panel

## 1 LCD Display

Displays the current routing status of the Matrix and is also used to manage source routing.

### 2 Power Switch

Turn the power ON or OFF using this switch.

# 3 Control Buttons

These buttons are used to navigate the LCD menu system. See pages 9 - 12 for more information.

LeftRightSelectSelect

## 4 Cancel Button

This button is used to return the user to the main status screen once a routing change has been initiated and the user decides to not continue with the change.

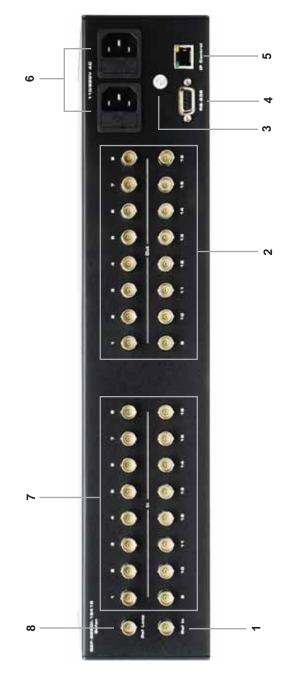
#### 5 IR Window

Receives signals from the IR Remote Control unit.

#### 6 Power Indicator

This LED indicator will glow red when the power is turned on.

# Back Panel



#### <u>Back Panel</u>

#### 1 Reference In Connector

Connect an external reference to this connector.

# 2 3G-SDI Input Ports 1-16

Connect 3G-SDI source devices to these ports.

#### 3 Grounding Terminal

Provides a discharge path to ground in case a short circuit occurs between the "hot" lead of the power supply and the enclosure of the Matrix. The grounding wire should be attached from the grounding terminal to an approved ground path..

#### 4 RS-232 Serial Port

Connects to the RS-232 control device. The 16x16 3GSDI Matrix may be switched remotely using this port. See page 16 for more information.

#### 5 IP Control Interface

Connect the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix to a network in order to use IP control. IP Control will be available in a future firmware release.

#### 6 110/220 AC Power Receptacles

Connect one power cord to both power receptacles. The redundant (secondary) power cable should be connected to an electrical outlet on a different circuit.

#### 7 3G-SDI Output Ports 1-16

Connect 3G-SDI monitors to these ports.

# 8 Reference Loop Connector

Reference Loop connector.

#### How to Connect the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix

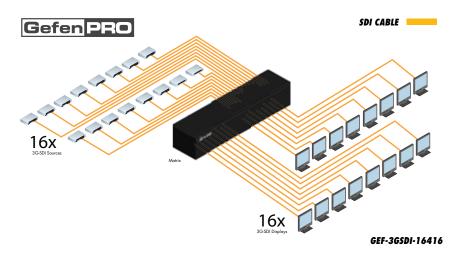
- 1. Connect up to 16 3G-SDI source devices to the 3G-SDI inputs on the rear panel of the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix using SDI cables.
- 2. Connect up to 16 3G-SDI displays to the 3G-SDI outputs on the rear panel of the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix.
- Connect the included power cord to the power input receptacle on the rear panel of the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix. Connect the opposite end of the cable into a open wall power socket.

#### How to Operate the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix

The 16x16 3GSDI Matrix offers a number of control options. The following options can be used to control basic routing functions of the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix:

- 1. Front Panel Control Buttons Pages 9 12.
- 2. IR Remote Control Pages 13 15.
- 3. RS-232 Serial Control Pages 16 -23.

#### Wiring Diagram for the GefenPRO 16x16 3GSDI Matrix



**Attention:** This product should always be connected to a grounded electrical socket.

# The Standby Screen

The front panel of the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix has a 16 character 2 line LCD display. This display will shows the current routing status of the Matrix and will be used to perform routing commands and other operations. After the unit is powered on, the Standby Screen will be displayed:



# **Displaying the Firmware Version**

Press the ◀ button to display the firmware version:



# Displaying the Boot Loader Version

Press the ◀ button again to display the boot loader version:



Press the ◀ button once more to return to the Standby Screen.

**NOTE:** The **Cancel** button can be pressed at any time to return to the Standby Screen.

#### Switching between RS-232 and RS-485 Protocols

Press the ► button to display the serial interface selection screen:



Use the  $\blacktriangleleft$  or  $\triangleright$  buttons to switch between RS-232 and RS-485 serial protocols. The current selection is indicated by the cursor. In the example above, RS-232 is the currently selected protocol.

Once the protocol has been selected, press the **Select** button to save the changes.

#### RS-232

If the RS-232 protocol is selected, the LCD will show the following:



Press the **Cancel** button to return to the Standby Screen.

#### RS-485

If the RS-485 protocol is selected, another screen will be displayed asking to specify whether or not the cable is terminated:



Use the  $\blacktriangleleft$  or  $\blacktriangleright$  buttons to switch between TERMINATION Off and TERMINATION On, then press the **Select** button to save the changes.

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In the example below, TERMINATION Off has been selected. The LCD will now show that the RS-485 protocol has been selected, along with the termination-type:



Press the **Cancel** button to return to the Standby Screen.

# **Displaying the Routing Status**

From the main screen, press the **Select** button. When the arrow cursor is next to OUTPUT, pressing the  $\blacktriangleleft$  or  $\triangleright$  buttons on the front panel will show the current routing state of each input and output. The example below shows that Input 1 is routed to Output 1.



Pressing the ► button again will display the routing state of output 2 and so on.



Note that the number displayed next to INPUT may be different than the example above, depending upon the current routing state.

# **Routing Sources**

Example:

Route the source device connected to In 2 to the display connected to Out 1.

- 1. From the Standby Screen, press the **Select** button on the front panel to display the routing status screen.
- 2. Press the Select button again to move the cursor to INPUT.
- 3. Press the ► button to set the source to Input 2. The source device connected to In 2 is now routed to the monitor connected to Out 1.



4. Press the **Cancel** button to return to the standby screen.

**NOTE:** The **Cancel** button can be used to return to the standby screen at any time.

RMT-16416IR Remote Control Unit



- 1 Activity Indicator This LED will be activated momentarily each time a button is pressed.
- 2 Display and Source Selection Buttons These buttons are used to select which source is routed to a monitor.

# Routing sources using the Remote Control unit

Issuing a routing command is a two step process. The first step is to select the monitor (1-16) to which the source will be routed. The second step is to select the source (1-16).

#### Example:

Route the source device connected to In 6 to the monitor connected to Out 4.

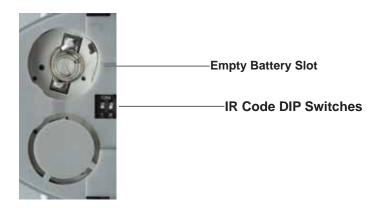
- 1. Press button 4 (Out 4) on the IR remote control unit.
- 2. Press button 6 (In 6) on the IR remote control unit.

The source connected to In 6 will be routed to the monitor connected to Out 4.

#### Installing the RMT-16416IR Battery

- 1. Remove the battery cover on the back of the IR Remote Control unit.
- 2. Insert the included battery into the open battery slot. The positive (+) side of the battery should be facing up.
- 3. Replace the battery cover.

The Remote Control unit ships with two batteries. One battery is required for operation and the other battery is a spare.





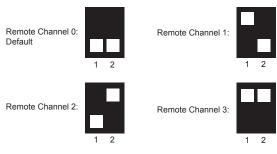
**CAUTION:** Risk of explosion if battery is replaced by an incorrect type. Dispose of used batteries according to the instructions.

# How to Resolve IR Code Conflicts

In the event that IR commands from other remote controls interfere with the supplied IR Remote Control unit, changing the IR channel on the IR Remote Control unit will fix the problem. The IR Remote Control unit has a bank of DIP switches used for setting the IR channel.

The DIP switch bank is located underneath the battery cover.





Left: Picture of the opened rear battery compartment of the IR remote showing the exposed DIP Switch bank between the battery chambers.

It is important that the IR channel on the Remote Control unit, matches the IR channel set on the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix. For example, if both DIP switches on the IR Remote Control unit are set to IR channel 0 (both DIP switches down), then the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix must also be set to IR channel 0. See page 22 on how to change the IR channel on the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix.

# What features are available via the RS-232 serial communications port?

The 16x16 3GSDI Matrix can accept commands through the RS-232 serial communications port located on the rear panel. The current RS-232 control features are:

 Switching/routing of inputs to outputs without the RMT-16416IR remote control.

# How do I use these features?

These features were initially intended for utilization by custom installers in automated setups. However, these features can be tested and used by using any Windows-based PC with a terminal program.

# What pins are used for communication with the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix?

Only pins 2 (Receive), 3 (Transmit), and 5 (Ground) are used for communication. A null-modem adapter should not be used with this product.



Only Pins 2 (RX), 3 (TX), and 5 (Ground) are used on the RS-232 serial interface

# What are the communication port settings?

Bits per second	
Data bits	
Parity	None
Stop bits	1
Flow Control	None

#### RS-232 Features

RS-232 remote functions are used to control this product's features. Features include input / output routing and reference signal functions. These features are available only through the use of the serial port.

# Functions Syntax

The syntax for each function is always the same:

#Function name  $\rightarrow$  Space ( \_ ) as function name end flag  $\rightarrow$  Parameter 1  $\rightarrow$  Space  $\rightarrow$  Parameter 2  $\rightarrow$  Parameter n  $\rightarrow$  Carriage Return ( \r )  $\rightarrow$ 

Sample:

#FunctionName\_param1\_param2\_param3\_param4...\r

Syntax is NOT case sensitive.

# **Reference Signal Functions**

Function	Description
#CHECKREF	Display the Ref In signal
#PRREFTABLE	Display the table data

#### #CHECKREF Function

The #CHECKREF function detects the Ref In signal and displays the data according to the Ref table

<u>Syntax</u>:

#CHECKREF

Parameters:

None

#### **#PRREFTABLE Function**

The #PRREFTABLE function displays the Ref In data table (timings) which are recognized by the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix.

#### Syntax:

#PRREFTABLE

#### Parameters:

None

# **IP Configuration Functions**

Function	Description
#SIPADD	Sets the IP Address
#SNETMASK	Sets the Net Mask
#SGATEWAY	Sets the Gateway
#SPORT	Sets the Port
#PRWEBADD	Displays the current IP configuration

#### **#SIPADD Function**

The #SIPADD function specifies a new IP address.

#### Syntax:

#SIPADD param1 param2 param3 param4

#### <u>Parameters</u>:

param1	IP address	[0 - 255]
param2	IP address	[0 - 255]
param3	IP address	[0 - 255]
param4	IP address	[0 - 255]

#### Notes:

A reboot is required after using this function.

## **#SNETMASK Function**

The #SNETMASK function specifies a new net mask.

#### Syntax:

#SNETMASK param1 param2 param3 param4

#### Parameters:

param1	IP address	[0 - 255]
param2	IP address	[0 - 255]
param3	IP address	[0 - 255]
param4	IP address	[0 - 255]

#### Notes:

A reboot is required after using this function.

## **#SGATEWAY Function**

Specifies the new IP gateway.

#### Syntax:

#SGATEWAY param1 param2 param3 param4

#### Parameters:

param1	Gateway address	[0 - 255]
param2	Gateway address	[0 - 255]
param3	Gateway address	[0 - 255]
param4	Gateway address	[0 - 255]

#### Notes:

A reboot is required after using this function.

#### **#SPORT Function**

Specifies a new port.

<u>Syntax</u>:

#SPORT param1

# Parameters:

param1

Port

[0 - 255]

# <u>Notes</u>:

A reboot is required after using this function.

# **#PRWEBADD** Function

Prints the current IP configuration on the screen.

<u>Syntax</u>: #PRWEBADD

Parameters:

None

# **General Functions**

Function	Description
#ACTIVEBOLO	Enables the boot loader
#FADEFAULT	Sets IP Configurations to default settings
#RMTIRADD	Set the remote IR channel

#### **#ACTIVEBOLO** Function

The #ACTIVEBOLO function enables the boot loader.

<u>Syntax:</u>

#ACTIVEBOLO

#### Parameters:

None

Notes:

This command must be typed twice in order to activate the boot loader.

# **#FADEFAULT** Function

The #FADEFAULT function sets all IP configurations to factory (default) settings.

<u>Syntax</u>: #fadefault

<u>Parameters</u>: None

# **#RMTIRADD Function**

The #RMTIRADD function set the remote IR channel.

#### <u>Syntax:</u>

#RMTIRADD paraml

#### Parameters:

param1

IR channel

[0 - 3]

# **Commands**

Command	Description
Μ	Returns the current routing status of matrix
R	Routing command
S	Routes a single input to all outputs

# **M** Command

The M command displays the current routing status of the matrix.

<u>Syntax</u>:

m

Parameters:

None

# R Command

The R command allows specific routing of inputs and outputs.

# <u>Syntax</u>:

r param1 param2

## Parameters:

param1	3GSDI Ouput	[1 - 16]
param2	3GSDI Input	[1 - 16]

# S Command

The S command routes a single input to all 16 3GSDI outputs.

## <u>Syntax:</u>

s paraml

#### Parameters:

param1

Input [1 - 16]

#### <u>Notes</u>:

Setting *param1* to a value of 0 will place the matrix in *one-to-one mode*. This means that Input1 will be routed to Output1, Input2 will be routed to Output2, and so on.

# Firmware Update Procedure

To Begin the update procedure the unit's Boot Loader must be activated. To activate the Boot Loader please follow the procedure below:

# If the unit is already powered on, the following RS-232 command can be used to activate the Boot Loader:

- 1. Connect RS-232 cable to PC and activate a terminal program.
- 2. Type the command: #ACTIVEBOLO followed by the ENTER key.
- 3. Re-type the command: #ACTIVEBOLO and press the ENTER key.

# If the unit is not powered on, follow the instructions below to activate the Boot Loader:

- 1. Connect RS-232 cable to PC and activate a terminal program.
- 2. Make sure the terminal program is set to the following:
  - a. Baud rate = 19200
  - b. Stop bits = 1
  - c. Data bits = 8
  - d. Flow control = None
- 3. Press the following three buttons on the front panel of the 16x16 simultaneously, while powering-on the unit:
  - a. select
  - b. < (left cursor)
  - c. > (right cursor)

# Once the Boot Loader is activated the following message should appear:

l6x16 Boot Loading
Main Menu
Download new program 1
Cancel 2

# Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the firmware update process:

- 1. Press [1] on the computer keyboard to begin downloading program to the temporary memory.
- 2. A message will appear in Hyperterminal:

Waiting for the file to be sent ... (press 'a' to abort)

- 3. In Hyperterminal, click Transfer > Send File...
- 4. Click Browse... and select the .BIN file you wish to upload.
- 5. Select Ymodem for the protocol.
- 6. Press Send on the Send File dialog box.
- 7. Wait until the download process is finished. The next text will appear on the screen:

Download Completed Successfully!

\_\_\_\_\_

Name: 3GSDI16x16\_e\_1\_6.bin

Size: 200416 Bytes

\_\_\_\_\_

Memory copy, please wait.....Finished to copy

Execute the new version

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8. The updated process is now complete.

# System Failure

In the case of a critical malfunction, the following warning message will be displayed on the Main Display:



If the 16x16 3GSDI Matrix is connected to a PC using a terminal program, the following message will appear on the display:

System failure !!!

Power-down the Matrix immediately and contact Gefen Technical Support. See **Asking for Assistance** at the beginning of this manual.

- a. Maximum recommended ambient temperature: 45 °C
- b. Increase the air flow to maintain the temperature inside the rack.
- c. Install the product evenly to avoid mechanical overload.
- d. Connect an earthing wire between the an earthing stud and the grounding pin on the chassis.

# Input / Output

- SDI (SMPTE 259MI up to 360 Mbps)
- HD-SDI (SMPTE 292M up to 1.485 Gbps)
- 3G-SDI (SMPTE 424M/425M up to 3.0 Gbps)

Supported Formats	All SD, HD, and 3G formats
Maximum Resolution	1080p, 1920x1200, 2K
Input / Output Connector-type	BNC
Input / Output Impedance	75 Ω
Reference (Sync)	NTSC, PAL, and Tri-Level
RS-232 Interface	DB-9, female
Power Supply	110 ~ 240 V AC (x2 for redundancy)
Power Consumption	
Operating Temperature	0 °C ~ 45 °C / 32 °F ~ 104 °F
Storage Temperature	20 °C ~ 60 °C / -4 °F ~ 140 °F
Relative Humidity	20% ~ 90% RH (no condensation)
Rack mountable	2U rack space, rack ears included
Dimensions	19" W x 2U H x 7" D
Shipping Weight	

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