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Read the instructions for correct handling.

Front Panel



- 1) Power LED. Lights when the repeater has power.
- 2) Module OK LED. Lights when the repeater passes self-test. If the repeater fails self-test, the Module OK LED is off.
- **3) Ring A/B LEDs.** In a DEChub 900 MultiSwitch, when either the A LED or the B LED is on, the respective A or B ring is active. In a standalone repeater, both Ring LEDs are always off.
- 4) Speed LEDs. Either the 16 LED or the 4 LED is on to show the ring speed.
- 5) Ring In LED. Lights when a Ring In connection is active.
- 6) Ring Out LED. Lights when a Ring Out connection is active.
- 7) Speed Switch. Sets speed. Set to 16 when the network speed is 16 Mb/s. Set to 4 when the network speed is 4 Mb/s. Network management cannot override Speed switch settings.
- 8) Ring In Port. Connects Ring In to the Ring Out port of a repeater or Multistation Access Unit (MAU).
- 9) Autowrap Switches. Determine whether or not the repeater automatically loops back when it detects a disconnected link on Ring In or Ring Out. If the Ring In or Ring Out port connects to a device with Digital's Autowrap, set the switch to 1 to enable Autowrap. If the Ring In or Ring Out port connects to a device without Digital's Autowrap, set the switch to 0 to disable Autowrap.
- **10) Ring Out Port.** Connects Ring Out to the Ring In port of a repeater or Multistation Access Unit (MAU).
- **11) Reset Switch.** Resets all settings, except for the Speed switch setting, to their factory defaults. To reset: while turning on the power, press the reset switch with a pen or screwdriver.









DECrepeater 900TL





LED Summary

The LEDs indicate status by being on, off, and flashing. Flashing LEDs indicate special situations. There are two flashing patterns and a scroll pattern. When an LED indicates a continuous single-flash pattern, network management has disabled the port. A continuous double-flash pattern indicates the wrong speed. In a scroll pattern, the LEDs turn on and off in a set order.

LED ¹	Off	On	Flashing	
Power	No power	Power OK	N/A	
Ø				
Module OK		Self-test OK	N/A	
U U	or not operating			
Speed (4/16 Mb/s)	No power, or repeater needs an upgrade. (see Ring A/B LEDs)	Valid speed	N/A	
Ring In/ Ring Out	Inactive or wire fault	Connected to network	Continuous single flash: network management disabled port. Continuous double flash: wrong speed.	
Hub MAU ONLY:				
Ring A/B	Not connected	Connected to Ring A or Ring B	Continuous single flash: network management disabled port. A and B alternately flash: repeater needs an upgrade or an upgrade is in progress.	

¹ Scroll: During power-up self-tests, all LEDs, except for the Power LED, will indicate a scrolling pattern.

Ring Speed Notes:

Even if you set the repeater's Speed switch to the wrong speed, no data will be lost or corrupted. Traffic loops back at the point where there is a speed mismatch, and the rest of the network remains operational.

The repeater's speed detection feature protects the network from devices that are set at the wrong network speed. When using some non–Digital equipment, isolating faults and reconfiguring the network may take up to 20 seconds.

Repeater Cabling

Table 1 lists the maximum distance between two adjacent repeaters, and between a repeater and a station. You can use UTP level 3 cable to extend lobe length, but do not use it as a trunk cable.

	UTP	
Speed	Level 3	Level 5
4 Mb/s	300 m (983 ft)	400 m (1311 ft)
16 Mb/s	130 m (426 ft)	200 m (655 ft)

¹ All distances include patch cables and hub connections.

Table 2 shows the industry guideline for cable length between a repeater and a passive MAU. Although cable lengths in excess of these distances are physically possible with a DECrepeater 900TL, Digital recommends that you keep cable lengths within the maximums found in the industry guideline to allow for future network expansion and upgrade.

Table 2 Industry Cable Length Guideline between a Repeater and a Passive MAU¹

	UTP	
Speed	Level 3	Level 5
4 Mb/s	100 m (327 ft)	100 m (327 ft)
16 Mb/s	65 m (213 ft)	100 m (327 ft)

¹ All distances include patch cables and hub connections.

DEChub 900 MultiSwitch Configuration

Multiple Hubs

A repeater is needed in each DEChub 900 MultiSwitch to connect hubs in a multiple hub network.

Repeater Cabling (continued)

DEChub ONE Configuration

UTP Cable:

Multiple Wiring Closets

Digital recommends that you use repeaters to segment the ring in a network with multiple wiring closets.

When distances exceed the lobe lengths in Table 2, or if the MAU does not have Digital's Autowrap functionality, two repeaters are required.

When a MAU has Autowrap enabled, only one repeater is required per wiring closet if the distance between the wiring closets does not exceed the distances shown in Table 2.

lf	Then	Do This		
DEChub 900 MultiSwitch and DEChub ONE				
Power LED is off.	Repeater does not have power.	Verify that outlet has power. Check power connection to repeater. Replace power supply. Replace repeater.		
Module OK LED is off.	Repeater failed self-test.	Replace repeater.		
Ring A and B LEDs alternately flash.	Repeater needs an upgrade or an upgrade is in progress.	If you have network management do a downline load; otherwise, replace repeater.		
		Wait for upgrade to complete.		
Ring In or Ring Out LED has single flash pattern.	Network management disconnected the repeater's RI or RO port.	To change settings, you can use network management commands or the repeater's Reset switch.		
Ring In or Ring Out LED has double flash pattern.	Repeater and ring have different speed settings.	Change the speed setting of the repeater, stations or the ring.		

lf	Then	Do This
	DEChub 900 MultiSwitch ONI	LY
Ring In, Ring Out and Ring A/B LEDs flash together.	Network management has disabled repeater.	To change settings, you can use network management commands or the repeater's Reset switch.
Repeater does not connect to the hub.	Network management will not connect repeater to hub.	Check speed and hub settings for incorrect network management overrides.
Repeater does not work in a DEChub 90.	DEChub 90 only supports Ethernet networks.	A DEChub 900 MultiSwitch supports Token Ring networks.
	DEChub ONE ONLY	
Ring In and Ring Out LEDs flash together.	Network management has disabled repeater.	To change settings, you can use network management commands or the repeater's Reset switch.
Vendor's MAU or repeater causes loopback on ring.	Vendor's unit is incompatible with Digital's Autowrap.	Set Autowrap switches to 0 on the DECmau or DECrepeater adjacen to the vendor's unit.
Network crashes when a MAU or repeater fails.	Vendor's unit does not have Digital's Autowrap.	Set Autowrap switches to 1 on the DECmau or DECrepeater adjacen to the failed unit.

Product Specifications			
Product Specification	In a Hub	DEChub ONE	
Height Width Depth	27.3 cm (10.8 in) 3.2 cm (1.2 in) 11.2 cm (4.4 in)	27.3 cm (10.8 in) 3.2 cm (1.2 in) 13.7 cm (5.4 in)	
Weight	0.68kg (1.5 lb)	0.77kg (1.7 lb)	
Operating temperature	5^\circC to 50^\circC (41° F to 122° F)	5° C to 50° C (41° F to 122° F)	
Relative humidity	10% to 95% non-condensing	10% to 95% non-condensing	
Altitude	Sea level to 4900 m (16,000 ft)	Sea level to 4900 m (16,000 ft)	
Power Supply	Hub provides	Provided by: H7082–AB	
Input Power	7 W @ +5 Vdc	7 W @ +5 Vdc	
Connectors	RJ-45	RJ-45	
Agency certification	CE, CSA, FCC, TÜV, UL, VCCI, VDE	CE, CSA, FCC, TÜV, UL, VCCI, VDE	
Acoustics: Preliminary declared values per ISO 9296 and ISO 7779	No acoustic noise	No acoustic noise	
Schallemissionswerte: Vorläuge Werteangaben nach ISO 9296 und ISO 7779/DIN EN27779	keine meßbaren Schallemissionen	keine meßbaren Schallemissionen	

Associated Documents

DEChub 900 MultiSwitch Owner's Manual This manual provides overview, installation, and problem solving information for the DEChub 900 MultiSwitch.