

# Matrox Odyssey eCL/XCL

## Camera Interface Application Note

### REDLAKE MASD ES-2093C

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Basics about the  
camera

#### Camera Descriptions

- Effective resolution: 1920 × 1080 × 8/10/12-bit @ 30 fps.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Single tap).
- Bayer Color Filter.
- Progressive scan.
- Internal sync.
- External or internal exposure control.
- 30 MHz pixel clock rate.

#### Interface Mode

- Continuous (Free run)
- Pseudo-continuous (Level Controlled Trigger mode)
- Asynchronous reset (Level Controlled Trigger mode)

#### Camera Interface Briefs

##### Mode 1: Continuous

- 1920 × 1080 × 12-bit @ 12.6 fps<sup>1</sup>.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Single tap).
- Bayer Color Filter.
- Progressive scan.
- Matrox Odyssey eCL/XCL receiving LVAL, FVAL, PCLK and video from camera.
- DCF used: [ES2093C\\_1920x1080\\_12bitBayerCon.DCF](#)



##### Mode 2: Pseudo-Continuous

- 1920 × 1080 × 12-bit.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Single tap).
- Bayer Color Filter.
- Progressive scan.
- Matrox Odyssey eCL/XCL sending TIMER1 OUT (CC1) signal to camera to initiate and control the exposure.
- Matrox Odyssey eCL/XCL receiving LVAL, FVAL, PCLK and video from camera.

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1. Measured value, higher frame rates are possible.

Mode of operations as  
per Matrox Imaging (in  
parentheses as per  
camera manufacturer)

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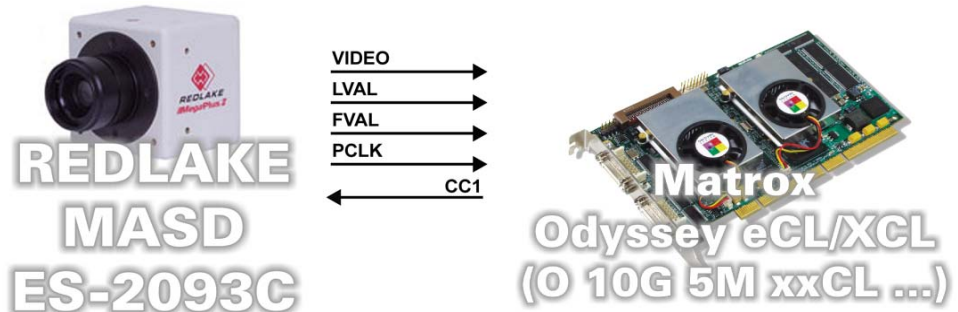
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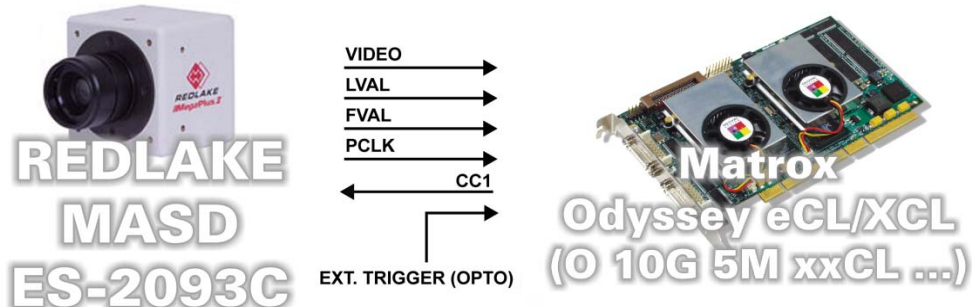
##### Mode 2: Pseudo-Continuous

- DCF used: [ES2093C\\_1920x1080\\_12bitBayerPcont.DCF](#)



##### Mode 3: Asynchronous reset

- 1920 × 1080 × 12-bit.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Single tap).
- Bayer Color Filter.
- Progressive scan.
- Matrox Odyssey eCL/XCL receiving external trigger signal.
- Matrox Odyssey eCL/XCL sending TIMER1 OUT (CC1) signal to camera to initiate and control the exposure.
- Matrox Odyssey eCL/XCL receiving LVAL, FVAL, PCLK and video from camera.
- DCF used: [ES2093C\\_1920x1080\\_12bitBayerAsync.DCF](#)



Specifics about  
the interface modes

#### Camera Interface Details

##### Mode 1: Continuous

- **Frame Rate:** Matrox Odyssey eCL/XCL receives the continuous video from the camera at 12.6 frames per second<sup>1</sup>.
- **Exposure time:** Exposure time is set using the shutter speed setting in the Camera Configuration Utility. Refer to the camera manual for more information.

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#### Camera Interface Details (cont.)

##### Mode 1: Continuous

- **Bayer Color Filter:** Color information is generated by a Bayer color mosaic filter mounted on the sensor. Refer to the MIL online Help for information on using buffers with the Bayer color filter.
- **Camera control settings:** Using the MegaPlus II Central software, set the camera controls as follows:

| Control                 | Setting                |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Output Data / Bit Depth | 12 Bits                |
| Mode selection          | Trigger off – Free run |

##### Mode 2: Pseudo-Continuous

- **Frame rate:** The frame rate is determined by the frequency of the TIMER1 OUT (CC1) signal.
- **Exposure time:** The width (falling to rising edge) of the TIMER1 OUT (CC1) signal is the exposure time, which can be modified in the DCF using Matrox Intellicam, with the ONL imCamControl() or imDigControl() function, or with the MIL MdigControl() function. Consult the respective manual for more information.
- **Bayer Color Filter:** Refer to Mode 1: Continuous.
- **Camera control settings:** Using the MegaPlus II Central software, set the camera controls as follows:

| Control                 | Setting          |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Output Data / Bit Depth | 12 Bits          |
| Mode selection          | Level controlled |

##### Mode 3: Asynchronous Reset

- **Frame rate:** The frame rate is determined by the frequency of the external trigger signal.
- **Exposure time:** Refer to Mode 2: Pseudo-Continuous.
- **Bayer Color Filter:** Refer to Mode 1: Continuous.
- **Camera Configuration:** Refer to Mode 2: Pseudo-Continuous.

*Cabling details for the  
interface modes*

#### Cabling Requirements

##### Modes 1 and 2: Continuous, Pseudo-continuous

- **Cable and Connection:** Standard Camera Link.

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#### Cabling Requirements (cont.)

##### **Mode 3: Asynchronous reset**

- **Cable and Connection:** Standard Camera Link.
- **External trigger:** External trigger should be connected to the OPTO TRIG input of the 9-pin connector (pins 7 and 2) on the Expanded I/O adapter bracket.

##### **EXPANDED I/O BRACKET (9-pin connector)**

|            |    |   | <b>External Trigger Source</b> |    |
|------------|----|---|--------------------------------|----|
| OPTOTRIG + | 07 | ← | LINE SIGNAL                    | -- |
| OPTOTRIG - | 02 | ← | LINE GROUND                    | -- |

The DCFs mentioned in this application note are also attached (embedded) to this PDF file – use the Adobe Reader's View File Attachment to access the DCF files. The information furnished by Matrox Electronics System, Ltd. is believed to be accurate and reliable. Please verify all interface connections with camera documentation or manual. Contact your local sales representative or Matrox Sales office or Matrox Imaging Applications at 514-822-6061 for assistance. © Matrox Electronic Systems Ltd, 2007-2011.

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