Camera Interface Application Note Sentech STC-CL152A

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Basics about the camera	Camera Descriptions				
	 Effective resolution: 1360 × 1040 × 10-bit @ 20 fps. Camera Link BASE interface (Single tap). Progressive scan. Internal sync. Internal or external exposure control. 28.6363 MHz pixel clock rate. 				
Mode of operations as per Matrox Imaging (in parentheses as per camera manufacturer)	Interface Mode				
	 Continuous (Continuous Mode) Pseudo-continuous (Pulse Width Trigger Mode) Asynchronous reset (Pulse Width Trigger Mode) 				
Basics about the interface modes	Camera Interface Briefs				
	 Mode 1: Continuous 1360 × 1040 × 10-bit @ 20 fps. Camera Link BASE interface (Single tap). Matrox Solios eV-CL receiving LVAL, FVAL, PIXEL CLOCK (CLK @ 28.6363 MHz) and video from camera. DCF used: STCCL152A_1360x1040_10bitCon.DCF 				
	VIDEO LVAL FVAL CLK SENTECH STC-CL152A (SOL EV CLx*)				

Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous

- 1360 × 1040 × 10-bit.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Single tap).
- Matrox Solios eV-CL sending TIMER 1 OUT (CC1) signal to camera to initiate and control the exposure.
- Matrox Solios eV-CL receiving LVAL, FVAL, PIXEL CLOCK (CLK @ 28.6363 MHz) and video from camera.
- DCF used: STCCL152A_1360x1040_10bitPcon.DCF



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Specifics about the interface modes	Camera Interface Details (cont.)				
	Mode 1: Continuous				
	 Camera control settings: Set the camera using the Sentech SOF-Cube Camera Configuration Utility as follows: Trigger Mode = Normal Output Mode = 10-bit 				
	Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous				
	 Frame rate: The frame rate is determined by the frequency of the TIMER1 OUT (CC1) signal. 				
	 Exposure time: The TIMER1 OUT (CC1) signal's active duration initiates and controls the exposure time, which can be modified in the DCF using Matrox Intellicam or with the MIL MdigControl() function. Consult the respective manual for more information. 				
	 Camera control settings: Set the camera using the Sentech SOF-Cube Camera Configuration Utility as follows: Trigger Mode = Pulse Width Trigger Output Mode = 10-bit Trigger Reset Mode = V-Reset 				
	Mode 3: Asynchronous Reset				
	 Frame rate: The frame rate is determined by the frequency of the external trigger signal. The period between the external trigger signals must be larger than the frame readout period plus the exposure time. 				
	Exposure time: Refer to Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous.				
	Camera settings: Refer to Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous.				
Cabling details for the interface modes	Cabling Requirements				
	Mode 1 and 2: Continuous and Pseudo-continuous				

• Cable and Connection: One Mini-To-Mini Camera Link cable.



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Cabling Requirements (cont.) Cabling details for the interface modes Mode 3: Asynchronous Reset

- Cable and Connection: One Mini-To-Mini Camera Link cable.
- External trigger: External trigger should be connected to the external auxiliary I/O (connector 0 on Matrox Solios eV-CL bracket).

EXTERNAL AUX. I/O (c

(connector 0)	External Trigger Source			
PIN NAME	PIN NO.		PIN NAME	PIN NO.
P0_OPTO_AUX_IN0 +	15	÷	SIGNAL	
P0_OPTO_AUX_IN0 -	09	÷	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, 2010-2011.

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