

Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link

Camera Interface Application Note

SENTEC STC-CL1500

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Basics about the camera

Camera Descriptions

- Effective resolution: $1360 \times 1024 \times 10\text{-bit}$ @ 15 fps.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Single channel).
- Progressive scan.
- Internal sync.
- Internal or external exposure control.
- 26.636 MHz pixel clock rate.

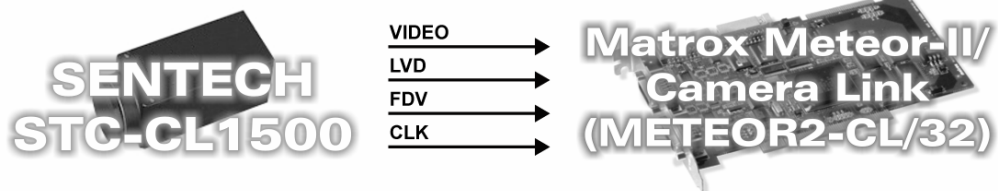
Interface Mode

- Continuous
- Pseudo-continuous
- Asynchronous reset (Level controlled exposure mode)

Camera Interface Briefs

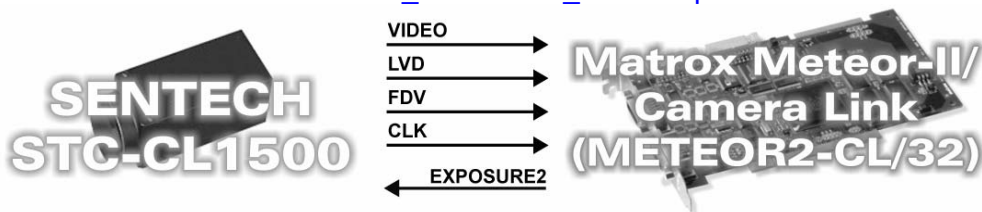
Mode 1: Continuous

- $1360 \times 1024 \times 10\text{-bit}$ @ 15 fps.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Single channel).
- Progressive scan.
- Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link receiving LDV, FDV, CLK and video signal from camera.
- DCF used: [STCCL1500_1360x1024_10bit1TapCon.DCF](#)



Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous

- $1360 \times 1024 \times 10\text{-bit}$.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Single channel).
- Progressive scan.
- Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link sending periodic EXPOSURE2 (CC1) signal to camera to initiate and control exposure time.
- Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link receiving LDV, FDV, CLK and video signal from camera.
- DCF used: [STCCL1500_1360x1024_10bit1TapPcon.DCF](#)



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

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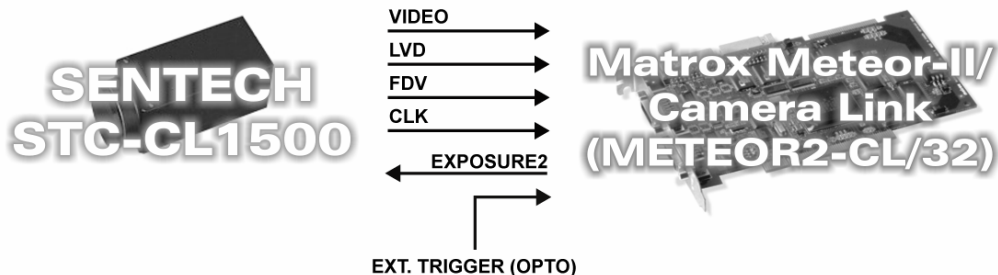
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Basics about the
interface modes

Camera Interface Briefs (cont.)

Mode 3: Asynchronous reset

- 1360 × 1024 × 10-bit.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Single channel).
- Progressive scan.
- Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link receiving external trigger signal.
- Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link sending EXPOSURE2 (CC1) signal to camera to initiate and control exposure time.
- Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link receiving LDV, FDV, CLK and video signal from camera.
- DCF used: [STCCL1500_1360x1024_10bit1TapAsync.DCF](#)



Specifics about the
interface modes

Camera Interface Details

Mode 1: Continuous

- **Frame Rate:** Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link receives the continuous video from the camera at 15 frames per second at full resolution.
- **Exposure time:** Exposure time is determined by the shutter setting. Refer to the camera manual for more information.
- **Camera switch settings:** Use the default switch settings.

Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous

- **Frame Rate/Exposure time:** The frame rate is determined by the EXPOSURE2 (CC1) setting in the DCF. Changing the frequency (delay period) will control the frame rate, while changing the width (falling edge to rising edge) of EXPOSURE2 (CC1) controls the frame rate as well as exposure time. The frame rate and exposure time can be modified using Matrox Intellicam or with the MIL MdigControl() function. Refer to the respective manual for more information.
- **Camera switch settings:** Set the camera switch to **Level Controlled Exposure** by setting switch 2 of the 8 DIP switch to **ON**.

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Camera Interface Details (cont.)

Mode 3: Asynchronous reset

- **Frame Rate:** The frame rate is determined by the frequency of the external trigger signal.
- **Exposure time:** The width (falling edge to rising edge) of the EXPOSURE2 (CC1) signal is the exposure time. The exposure time can be modified using Matrox Intellicam or with the MIL MdigControl() function. Refer to the respective manual for more information.
- **Camera Control settings:** Same as 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 cable.

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)

		External Trigger Source	
OPTOTRIG +	07	←	SIGNAL --
OPTOTRIG -	02	←	GROUND --

The DCF(s) mentioned in this application note can be found on our FTP site ([ftp.matrox.com/pub/imaging/](ftp://ftp.matrox.com/pub/imaging/)). 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.

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