

Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link

Camera Interface Application Note

ADIMEC 1600m/D

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Basics about the
camera

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

Basics about the
interface modes

Camera Descriptions

- Effective resolution: $1600 \times 1200 \times 10\text{-bit}$ @ 34 fps.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Dual tap).
- Progressive scan.
- Internal sync.
- Internal or external exposure control.
- 40 MHz pixel clock rate.

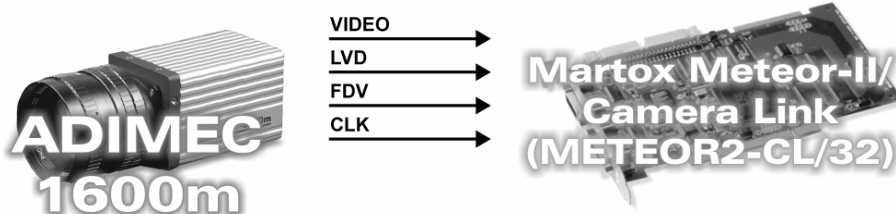
Interface Mode

- Continuous
- Pseudo-continuous
- Asynchronous reset (Control mode)

Camera Interface Briefs

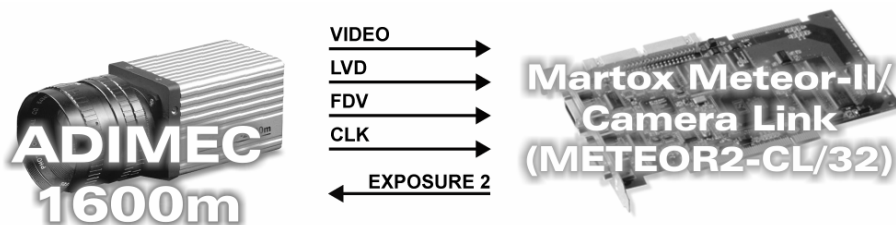
Mode 1: Continuous

- $1600 \times 1200 \times 10\text{-bit}$ @ 34 fps.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Dual tap).
- Progressive scan.
- Matrox Meteor-II/Camera Link receiving LDV, FDV, CLK and video signal from camera.
- DCF used: [1600m1600x1200_10bitCon.DCF](#)



Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous

- $1600 \times 1200 \times 10\text{-bit}$.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Dual tap).
- 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: [1600m1600x1200_10bitPcon.DCF](#)



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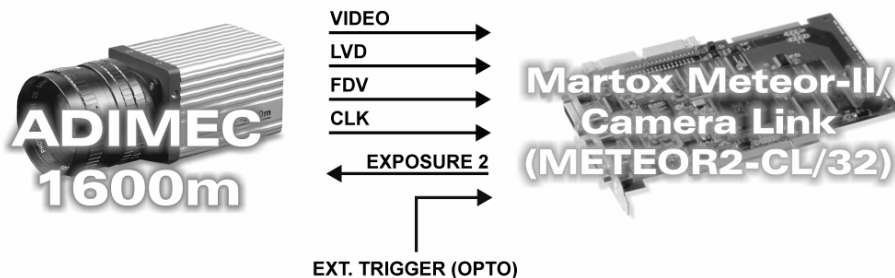
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Basics about the
interface modes

Camera Interface Briefs (cont.)

Mode 3: Asynchronous reset

- 1600 × 1200 × 10-bit.
- Camera Link BASE interface (Dual tap).
- 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: [1600m1600x1200_10bitAsync.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 34 frames per second.
- **Exposure time:** Exposure time is determined by the shutter setting. Refer to the camera manual for more information.
- **Camera control settings:** Using Matrox configuration tool (CLSERTST.EXE), set the camera controls using MdigControl() as follows:

Control	Setting
10 bit Output	@OR10
Continuous Mode	@MO4

Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous

- **Frame Rate and Exposure Time:** 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 (rising edge to falling edge) of EXPOSURE2 (CC1) will control 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.

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Camera Interface Details (cont.)

Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous

- **Camera control settings:** Using Matrox configuration tool ([CLSSERTST.EXE](#)), set the camera controls using MdigControl() as follows:

Control	Setting
10 bit Output	@OR10
Control Mode	@MO5
Exposure Polarity	@EP1

Mode 3: Asynchronous reset

- **Frame Rate:** The frame rate is determined by the frequency of the external trigger signal as well as the width (rising edge to falling edge) of EXPOSURE2 (CC1).
- **Exposure time:** The width (rising edge to falling 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:** Using Matrox configuration tool ([CLSSERTST.EXE](#)), set the camera controls as in Mode 2: Pseudo-continuous.

Cabling details for the
interface modes

Cabling Requirements

Modes 1 and 2: Continuous and Pseudo-continuous

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

Mode 3: Asynchronous reset

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