PCIe8 DVa CLS
PCIe x8 digital video ("A" series) Camera Link simulator

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Description

The PCIe8 DVa CLS is a PCIe x8 Camera Link simulator that generates image data by simulating one extended full, full, or medium mode camera, or up to two base-mode cameras. It provides a pixel clock rate of 20 to 85 MHz (in increments of 0.25 MHz) and a text-based configuration script, easily modifiable to match the timing parameters of the camera to be simulated.

The board fits in an 8- or 16-lane PCIe slot. Known image data allows easy debug of interface application code, and system debug when target camera is unavailable.

Images are sent via DMA from host memory as required by the application. Internal counters can be used an alternate source of image data. Optional 1 GB DDR2 provides frame buffering.

Line and frame triggering are supported over camera control lines.

C language libraries allow the user to define appropriate responses to UART commands from the interface.

The PCIe8 DVa CLS is shipped as a simulator; however, with a simple firmware reload and power cycle, it converts to a PCIe8 DVa C-Link framegrabber. Once converted, it then operates as specified on the PCIe8 DVa C-Link datasheet.

In framegrabber mode, external triggering and timecode input (IRIG-B) are enabled by the provided Berg or the optional Lemo connector.

Features

Camera Link simulator fits in an 8- or 16-lane PCIe slot

Simulates Camera Link digital cameras, base through extended full mode, 1 to 10 taps; supports two base mode outputs at same frequency

Provides frame storage and buffering via optional 1 GB DDR2

Supports DMA from host memory for image data

Allows internal counters to be used as alternate source of image data

Allows emulation of camera UART commands

Supports line and frame triggering over camera control lines

Converts to framegrabber via a simple firmware reload and power cycle

Optional 7-pin Lemo supports external triggering or IRIG-B timecode input (framegrabber mode only)

Supports pixel clock rate of 20 to 85 MHz in increments of 0.25 MHz

Applications

Any PCIe application requiring simulated Camera Link output

Specifications

Product Type	PCIe8 DVa CLS is a PCIe x8 digital video ("A" series) Camera Link simulator; a firmware reload makes it a PCIe8 DVa C-Link framegrabber.	
Memory	FIFO DDR2 (SODIMM)	Up to several lines of data 0 or optional 1 GB
Clock	Camera Link	20–85 MHz (in increments of 0.25 MHz) – both channels at same frequency
Data Format (I/O)	In simulator mode In framegrabber mode	Camera Link output (simulated) Camera Link input; timecode input (IRIG-B)
Camera Link Compliance (simulator mode)	Modes Pixel clock rate (in increments of 0.25 MHz) Serial CC1 - CC4 Connectors	Base, dual base, medium, full, extended full – common configurations **NOTE:** In dual base mode, both channels must be at same frequency. Base–extended full mode (in development), 20–85 MHz 9600 to 115,200 baud (via API or serial DLL) Discretely programmable for steady-state, trigger, and timed pulse Two MDR26 for data and control
Camera Link Compliance (framegrabber mode)	Modes Pixel clock rate (in increments of 0.25 MHz) Serial CC1 - CC4 Connectors	Base, dual base, medium, full, extended full – common configurations Base–medium mode, 20–85 MHz; full mode, 30–85 MHz 9600 to 115,200 baud (via API or serial DLL) Discretely programmable for steady-state, trigger, and timed pulse Two MDR26 for data and control
EU Compliance	CE RoHS WEEE	Contact EDT Contact EDT Contact EDT
PCI Express Compliance	PCIe version Direct memory access (DMA) Number of lanes	PCIe 1.1 Yes 8
Noise	0 dB	
MTBF	Estimated at 200,000 hours	
Triggering	Freerun or via CC lines (programmable) or, in framegrabber mode, externally via connector (opto-coupled Berg or optional Lemo)	
Connectors	Two MDR26 Camera Link One opto-coupled Berg One optional 7-pin Lemo	For data and control In framegrabber mode: For external triggering, timecode input (IRIG-B), or both In framegrabber mode: For external triggering, timecode input (IRIG-B), or both
Cabling	Cabling is purchased separately; consult EDT for options.	
Physical	Weight Dimensions	3.5 oz. typical 4.8 x 4.8 x 0.7 in.
Environmental	Temperature (operating / non-operating) Humidity (operating / non-operating)	10° to 40° C / -20° to 60° C 1% to 90%, non-condensing at 40° C / 95%, non-condensing at 45° C
System and Software	System must have a PCI Express bus (16 or 8 lanes, or an 8-lane physical slot wired as a 4-lane with reduced maximum performance) that is not dedicated to display use only. Software is included for Windows and Linux, with limited support for Solaris, Mac OS, and VxWorks; for versions, see www.edt.com.	

Ordering Options

- Memory – DDR2 (SODIMM): **0** / 1 GB
- Connector: **Berg (included)** / Lemo (optional), for external triggering, IRIG-B input, or both [in framegrabber mode only]

Bold is default. **Ask about custom options.**