



Chameleon II CoaXPress Standalone Quad CXP-12 Camera Simulator

Innovative Approach

Datasheet

Chameleon II CoaXPress Standalone is the industry's first CoaXPress v2.1 standard camera simulator. Capable of generating video streams and test patterns of up to 4 links in single, dual or guad modes. With each link supports standard CoaXPress v2.1 bitrates of up to 12.5 Gbps. With a grand total PCI Express transfer rate of up to 3,347 MB/s, the Chameleon II CoaXPress Standalone is ideally suited for development of industrial, defense and aerospace Machine Vision systems and applications.

Intelligent Design

The Chameleon II CoaXPress Standalone can easily transmit generic test patterns, customers specific pre-processed data or custom video streams on the CoaXPress v2.1 links. The Chameleon II CoaXPress Standalone Simulator enables PoCXP simulation by connecting an external load. A GPIO connector enables machine control signals such as triggers, timers, shaft-encoders, exposure-control and general I/O along with video stream acquisition. Standard Micro-BNC and headers connector are used as the CoaXPress v2.1 interface and the general purpose I/O, respectively.

Key Features:

- Static and dynamic test patterns
- BMP/RAW/TIFF/JPEG etc. image files
- RAW video files
- Streaming video 3,347 MB/s
- Data rates up to 12.5 Gbps per link
- Up to 32 Gbyte image buffer
- Multiple pre-recorded video in sequential/loop modes
- Fully programmable image timing
- Fully programmable configuration parameters
- Emulation of Camera controls and triggers
- GUI Interface
- Up to 4 CoaXPress links support
- Frame and line scan formats support
- Flexible GPIO interface:
 - 4 TTL configurable I/Os
 - 4 LVTTL configurable I/Os
 - 2 LVDS inputs
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 - 4 opto-isolated inputs
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 - 4 quadrature rotary encoders
 - Integrated strobe controller
 - 4 timers
- CoaXPress v2.1 compliant
- Gen<i>Cam compliant
- Power over CoaXPress Simulation
- Supporting Windows, Linux OS and Nvidia Jetpack
- API for custom application development
- Plug-in modules for Matlab, HALCON, Cognex and Labview
- Micro-BNC connectors for CoaXPress links
- External Thunderbolt 3 enclosure
- Per-Link LED indication
- 0 °C to +50 °C operating environment temperatures

TECHNICAL DATA

Mechanical	
Form factor	Thunderbolt 3 enclosure
Format	External Thunderbolt 3 enclosure
Cooling method	Fan cooled
Mounting	Stand Alone
Connectors	 Ports 1 through 4 via x4 Micro-BNC connectors for CoaXPress v2.1 interface x1 I/O connector 26-pin 2-row 0.1" pitch pin header with shrouding on board
Dimensions	220 mm x 143 mm (8.7" x 5.6")
Weight	1500 g (52.9 oz)

Host Bus	
Standard	PCI Express 3.0
Link width	4 lanes1 or 2 lanes with reduced performance
Link speed	8.0 GT/s (PCIe 3.0)5.0 GT/s (PCIe 2.0) with reduced performance
Maximum payload size	2,048 bytes
DMA	 64-bit addressing support Scatter gather support Physical address support (GPU transfers)
Peak delivery bandwidth	3,938 MB/s
Effective (sustained) delivery bandwidth	3,347 MB/s (Host PC dependent)
Power consumption	16.8 W, excluding camera and I/O power output

Camera / Video Simulation	
Interface standard(s)	CoaXPress v2.1 (CoaXPress 1.0, 1.1, 1.1.1 and 2.0 backward compatible)
Status LEDs	1 bicolor status LED per connector4 System status LEDs
Number of Simulated cameras	1
Number of links per single camera	Up to 4
Number of streams per single camera	1
Synchronization between simulators	Yes
Line-scan cameras supported	Yes
Maximum aggregated camera data transfer rate	50.0 Gbit/s

Supported down-connection speeds	 1.25 GT/s (CXP-1) 2.5 GT/s (CXP-2) 3.125 GT/s (CXP-3) 5 GT/s (CXP-5) 6.25 GT/s (CXP-6) 10 GT/s (CXP-10) 12.5 GT/s (CXP-12)
Supported up-connection speeds	Low-speed 20.83 Mbps (CXP-1 to CXP-6)Low-speed 41.66 Mbps (CXP-10, CXP-12)
Maximum stream packet size	8,192 bytes
Power over protocol	 PoCXP Safe Power Power over CoaXPress Simulation Overload and short-circuit protections Power source must be connected to an external load
Bandwidth limitations	8 bpp, 12 bpp, 14 bpp, 16 bpp - 40 Gbps protocol limited10 bpp – 34 Gbps
Image width	16 pixel to 16 Megapixels
Image height	1 pixel to 16 Megapixels
Arbitrary image simulation	Not supported
Link Sharing	Images must be striped prior to loading to API or APP
Camera types	 Area-scan cameras: Gray-scale and color (RGB and Bayer CFA) Single-tap (1X-1Y) progressive-scan Multi tap images can be simulated with API and user image segmentation Line-scan cameras: Gray-scale and color RGB
Camera pixel formats supported	 Raw, Monochrome, Bayer, RGB, YUV, YCbCr and RGBA (PFNC names): Raw (Without headers) Mono8, Mono10, Mono12, Mono14, Mono16 BayerXX8, BayerXX10, BayerXX12, BayerXX14, BayerXX16 where XX = GR, RG, GB, or BG RGB8, RGB10, RGB12, RGB14, RGB16 RGBA8, RGBA10, RGBA12, RGBA14, RGBA16 YUV422_8, YUV422_16 YUV444_8, YUV444_10, YUV444_12, YUV444_14, YUV444_16 YCbCr601_422_8, YCbCr601_422_10, YCbCr601_422_12, YCbCr601_422_14, YCbCr601_422_16 YCbCr709_422_8, YCbCr709_422_10, YCbCr709_422_12, YCbCr709_422_14, YCbCr709_422_16 YCbCr709_444_8, YCbCr709_444_16

General Purpose Inputs and Outputs	
Number of lines	 20 I/O lines: 2 differential inputs 2 differential outputs 4 singled-ended TTL inputs/outputs 4 singled-ended LVTTL inputs/outputs 4 opto-isolated inputs] 4 opto-isolated outputs

Usage	 Any System I/O input lines can be connected to any I/O output line Any I/O input line can be used to decode A/B and Z signals of a motion encoder Any I/O input line can generate any trigger event Any I/O input line can trigger a timer
Electrical specifications	 Differential lines - LVDS compatible TTL lines: 5 V TTL compliant LVTTL lines: 3.3 V LVTTL compliant Isolated lines: opto-isolated lines with voltage range up to 30 V
Filter control	 Glitch removal filter for Encoders and Triggers Configurable filter time between 0 µs and 34 ms Filter time resolution of 8 ns
Polarity control	Yes
Encoders	 4 quadrature encoders with A/B and Z inputs 32-bit position counter Forward and backward counting Position trigger support Noise filtering
Timers	 4 general purpose timers Configurable delay and duration 32-bit accumulator
Event reporting	 64-bit system timestamp event reporting Each I/O line can generate event on configurable edge Each Timer can generate event Each encoder can generate event

Frame Grabber Synchronization	
Synchronization	Precise area and line-scan cameras synchronization across different frame grabbers

Area-Scan Camera Control	
Trigger	 Precise control of asynchronous reset cameras, with exposure control. Support of camera exposure/readout overlap Support of triggering from encoder or timer Support of external hardware trigger, with optional delay, filtering and trigger decimation
Strobe	Accurate control of the strobe position for strobe light sources. Support of early and late strobe pulses

Line-Scan Camera Control	
Scan/page trigger	 Precise control of start-of-scan and end-of-scan triggers Support of external hardware trigger, with optional delay and filtering Support of triggering from encoder Support of infinite acquisition without missing lines
Line trigger	Support for quadrature motion encoders, with programmable filters, selection of acquisition direction and backward motion compensation
Line strobe	Accurate control of the strobe position for strobe light sources

On-Board Processing	
On-board memory	4 GB DDR4
Additional features	Packing of 16-bit LSB aligned to 10/12/14-bit
Data stream statistics	Measurement of: • Frame rate • CRC Errors • Transmit frames • Transmit packets • Test packets
Event signaling and counting	The application software can be notified of the occurrence of various events: • Newly acquired buffers • I/O events • Timer events • Encoder events

Software	
Host PC operating system	 Microsoft Windows 10 64-bit version Microsoft Windows 11 64-bit version Signed and certified kernel driver supporting Windows 10 and 11 Source code Linux kernel driver (Automaticlly compiled during installation) Tested for Ubuntu 18.04, 20.04 and 22.04 versions Nvidia Xavier AGX (Jetpack 5.1.1 and 4.6.1) Nvidia Orin AGX (Jetpack 5.1.1)
Gen <i>Cam</i>	Support of Gen<i>Cam 3.2</i>Full camera and Frame Grabber parameters configuration
Buffer management	 Circular buffer support Accumulation of several frames/lines to single buffer to reduce CPU load Flexible buffer queuing DMA Buffer filling directly to system memory
GUI	Supported for Windows and Linux OSMulti camera display and configurationImage/video recording and playback
Debugging capabilities	Event loggingStatistics counters
APIs	 Gen<i>Cam, GenTL producer libraries, ANSI C, Python and NET bindings</i> x86_64 dynamic library designed to be used with ISO-compliant C runtime Allows for development of x86_64 applications Plug-in modules for Matlab, HALCON, Cognex and Labview Export straightforward, unified and easy-to-use API across all Grabber types Include practical examples based on API functions, for supported language wrappers Documentation include sample snippets for API usage

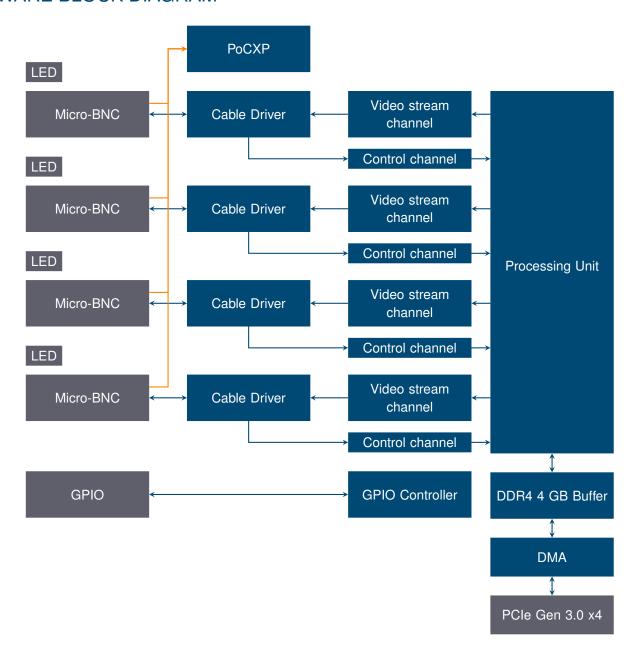
Environmental Conditions

Operating ambient air temperature	0 °C to +50 °C (32 °F to +122 °F)
Operating ambient air humidity	10% to 90% RH non-condensing
Storage ambient air temperature	-20 °C to +70 °C (-4 °F to +158 °F)
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Shock/Vibration	-

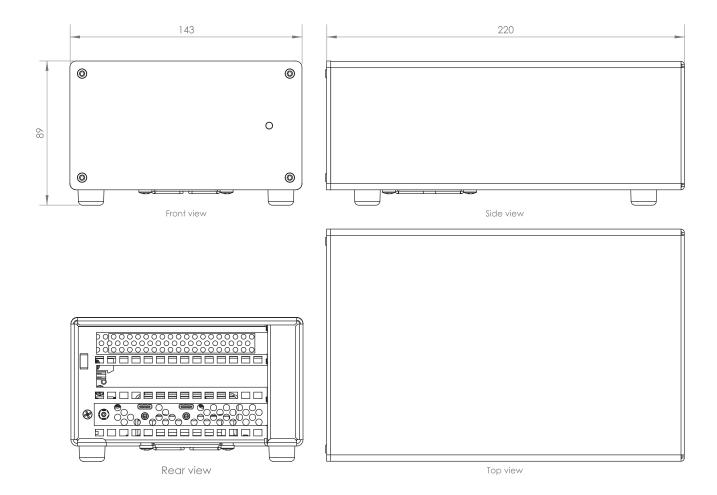
Certifications	
Electromagnetic - EMC standards	 The European Council EMC Directive 2004/108/EC The Unites States FCC rule 47 CFR 15
EMC - Emission	EN 55022:2010 Class BFCC 47 Part 15 Class B
EMC - Immunity	 EN 55024:2010 Class B EN 61000-4-3 EN 61000-4-4 EN 61000-4-6
Flammability	PCB compliant with UL 94 V-0
RoHS	Compliant with the European Union Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS2)
REACH	Compliant with the European Union Regulation No 1907/2006
WEEE	Must be disposed of separately from normal household waste and must be recycled according to local regulations

Ordering Information	
Part Number	KY-Chameleon-II-SA
Optional accessories	CoaXPress cables

HARDWARE BLOCK DIAGRAM



MECHANICAL DRAWINGS



Dimensions are in millimeters.

COMPATIBILITY

KAYA Instruments creates and maintains compatibility and interfaces for the most common and advanced vision image processing libraries and applications. Major support is available for MVTec Halcon, National Instruments' LabVIEW and MathWorks' MATLAB.

Supported vision standards:



Supported vision libraries:













Supported operating systems:







Please check our website for an up-to-date list of other supported libraries and software package.

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