iPORT SB-U3 External Frame Grabbers

Transport high-speed imaging and video data from Sony Block Cameras over USB 3.0

Overview

Pleora's iPORT™ SB-U3 External Frame Grabbers improve the usability of Sony block cameras by allowing systems manufacturers and integrators to treat them as native USB3 Vision™ cameras. With these external frame grabbers, Sony block cameras can transport high-speed imaging and video data over the widely available USB 3.0 bus. The cameras can also be used with a broader selection of computing platforms, lowering system costs.

The SB-U3 presents a user-friendly interface to the Sony® VISCA™ protocol set, both graphically and in the eBUS SDK (software development kit). This allows system designers to rapidly prototype interactions between the SB-U3, the Sony block camera, and their software as well as quickly deploy production-ready software.

The SB-U3 transmits full-resolution video with low, predictable latency over a USB 3.0 link at the maximum frames per second (fps) supported by a wide range of Sony camera block models. The connection at the PC is a standard USB 3.0 port, eliminating the need for a desktop PC with an available peripheral card slot for a traditional frame grabber. As a result, designers can reduce system size, cost, and power consumption by using computing platforms with smaller form factors, such as laptops, embedded PCs, and single-board computers.

Pleora's SB-U3 External Frame Grabbers helps systems manufacturers and integrators to leverage the performance attributes of USB 3.0, including high-bandwidth, power over cable, and plug-and-play usability. In addition, the frame grabbers support more flexible configurations, allowing multiple cameras to be aggregated to a single USB 3.0 port, when using an off-the-shelf USB 3.0 hub. The SB-U3 complies fully with the USB3 Vision and GenlCam™ standards, ensuring interoperability with third-party equipment in multivendor environments.

Features

- Transforms Sony block cameras into USB3 Vision cameras
- Power, control, and video over the same USB 3.0 cable
- Plugs into a wide range of computing platforms without needing a PCI frame grabber
- Transmits full-resolution images at the maximum frame rate supported by the block camera
- · Simplifies Sony VISCA interface
- Sophisticated on-board programmable logic controller (PLC) allows users to precisely measure, synchronize, trigger, and control the operation of other vision system elements
- · Low, predictable latency
- Bundled with Pleora's feature-rich eBUS™ SDK application toolkit

Compatibility

- · Sony FCB-EV7500
- · Sony FCB-EV7100
- · Sony FCB-EV5500
- · Sony FCB-EH6500
- · Sony FCB-EH6300
- · Sony FCB-EH3410
- · Sony FCB-EH3310







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Video Connectivity Solutions

iPORT External Frame Grabber	Highly reliable, 2 Gb/s data transfer rate with low, end-to-end latency OEM, in-camera board set
eBUS SDK	eBUS Universal Pro driverSample applicationsDriver installation toolDocumentation
USB3 Vision and GenlCam™	 Fully compatible firmware load Guarantees delivery of all packets Comprehensive data transfer diagnostics

Video Formats

Video acquisition	Digital video interface
Input resolutions	 Full resolution images 1080p, 25/29.97/30 Hz 1080i, 50/59.94/60 Hz 720p, 25/29.97/30/50/59.94/60 Hz Sony FCB-EV7500: 1080p, 50/59.94/60 Hz
Pixel formats	Mono8 (8 bits per pixel)BayerGR8 (8 bits per pixel)YUV 4:2:2 (16 bits per pixel)YUV 4:1:1 (12 bits per pixel)

Features

USB 3.0 based	Connection to low-cost, easy-to-use equipmentUSB3 Vision 1.0 compliant
Programmable Logic Controller	Advanced image capture control
Mechanical Bracket	Easy assembly with Sony block cameras

Connectors

12-pin circular connector	GPIO RS-232 serial communication interface
10-pin USB 3.0 micro-B receptacle	Computer interface Power over USB (PoUSB)
30-pin connector	Sony block camera interface (cable provided) Digital video interface: 4 lanes of LVDS, 8 lanes for FCB-EV7500 VISCA serial command interface Power for block camera

Characteristics

Size (without bracket)	· 37 mm X 37 mm X 29.3 mm
Operating temperature	• 0° C to 70° C
Storage temperature	· -40° C to 85° C
External power supply (when not using PoUSB)	· 4.8 V to 16 V
Power consumption (Typical, including block camera)	Approximately 6.1 W

Ordering Information

900-6128	 iPORT SB-U3 External-Powered External Frame Grabber OEM Kit includes SB-U3 OEM board set on camera bracket assembly (assembly # 900-6127*), mounting screws, and 30-pin micro-coaxial video/control camera cable. For Sony FCB-EV7100, use bracket 909-1104 (see below)
900-6129	 iPORT SB-U3 External-Powered Development Kit includes SB-U3 OEM board set on camera bracket assembly (assembly # 900-6127*), 30-pin micro-coaxial video/control camera cable, USB 3.0 cable, and eBUS SDK USB stick. For Sony FCB-EV7100, use bracket 909-1104 (see below)
909-1104	EV7100 Bracket Kit for use with all iPORT SB-U3 models.

^{*} Note: Not an orderable part number