

# MityCAM-B2521 and MityCAM-B1910 User Manual



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## 1 Introduction

The purpose of this document is to outline the specific features of the MityCAM-B1910 and MityCAM-B2521 cameras.

### 1.1 Additional Documentation

In addition to this document, the following documents are also useful / pertinent to the use and operation of the MityCAM-B1910 and MityCAM-B2521 cameras.

Table 1 Reference Documentation

| Document # | Title  | Description  |
|------------|--|--|
| 60-000004  | MityCAM-B1910 Camera Link Interface Document | Provides complete application programmer interface information for serial command port of Camera Link interface for MityCAM-B1910. |
| 60-000005  | MityCAM-B2521 Camera Link Interface Document | Provides complete application programmer interface information for serial command port of Camera Link interface for MityCAM-B2521. |
| 60-000008  | MityCAM Camlink Panel User Guide             | MityCAM Cam Link Panel User Guide  |
| P-10281    | MityCAM Firmware Upgrade Procedure           | Provides description of steps needed to upgrade MityCAM firmware.  |

### 1.2 Vocabulary

Sensor – The sCMOS sensor on the headboard of the camera hardware stack.

Row – One complete row of pixels output from the sensor.

SCLK – The clock provided by the SoC Processor board to the sensor for it to operate. There are a fixed number of SCLK values supported by the camera.

Row time – A fixed number of SCLK periods which includes time to shift and convert charge as well as read out the data from the sensor. Integral multiples of “row time” is the basic unit of time recognized by the sensor.

### 1.3 Important Differences

#### 1.3.1 Sensor Size

The primary difference between the two sensors is their maximum resolution.

- Maximum 2521 ROI Height = 2160 rows
- Maximum 1910 ROI Height = 1080 rows

The 2521 sensor has two halves, a top and bottom half each with 1080 rows which operate in parallel, making the timing very similar for both sensors. Because of this difference for MityCAM-B2521, ROI<sub>Height</sub> should be divided by 2 from the output image's height when considering timing in the tables in the following sections.

### 1.3.2 Sensor Readout Order

#### 1.3.2.1 MityCAM-B1910

This is a raster order camera. Rows are output from the top of the sensor down (or from the bottom up). Most frame grabbers should be able to handle this method of data output.

#### 1.3.2.2 MityCAM-B2521

Normal operation for the camera is to read from the center out. The result is data being output row by row, interleaved, from the center of the sensor out. For maximum frame-rate, the frame grabber must perform the unwinding of the interleaved rows.

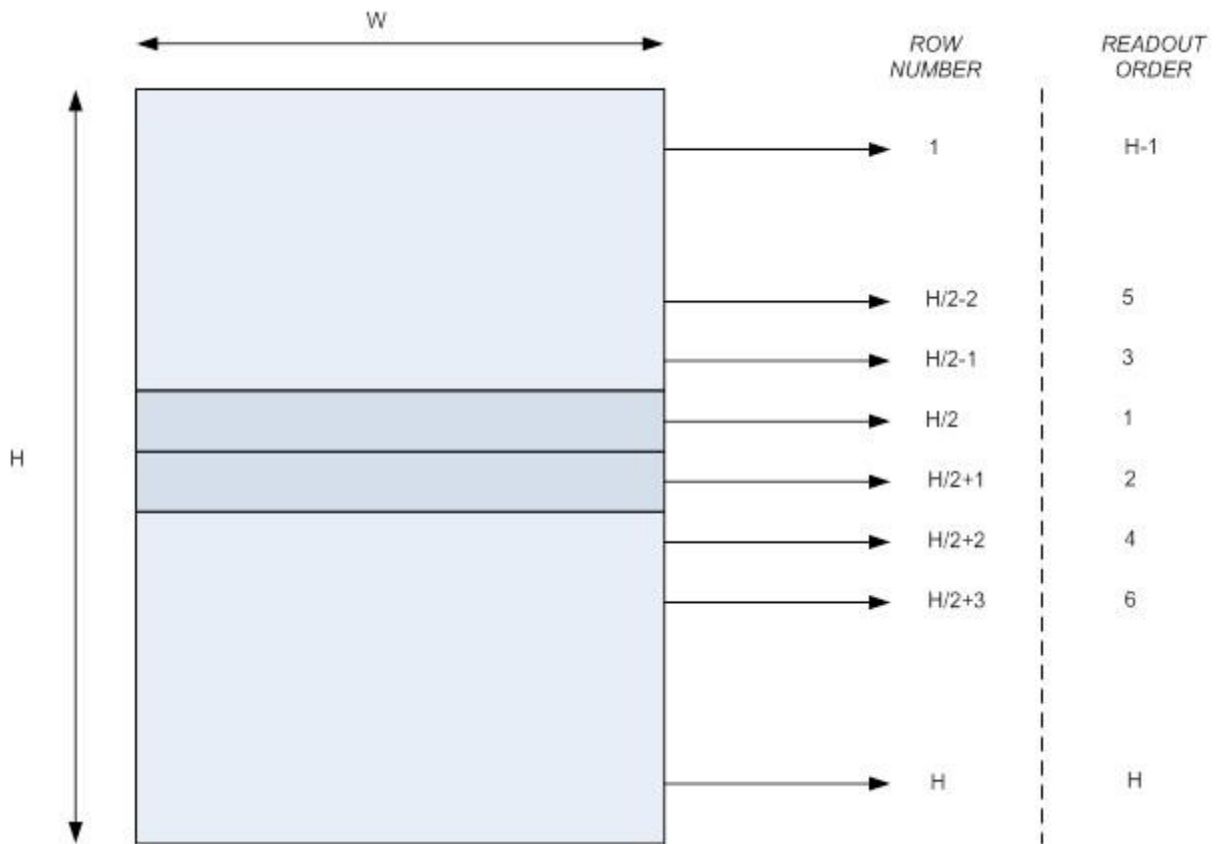


Figure 1 MityCAM-B2521 Readout Order

The camera can also be configured to output in raster order. For information on this mode and the limitations on the camera, see section 10.1 "Pseudo-One Port Mode."

## 2 Continuous High Speed Operation via Camera Link

This section details setting up full resolution, high speed operation in each Camera Link configuration. Pay careful attention to the clock and frame intervals that are being set. Failure to set an appropriate clock or frame interval will overflow the FPGA with sensor data resulting in undefined output.

For each mode, SCLK must be adjusted. Please reference “Table 14 Maximum Supported SCLK Rates for Different Camera Link Output Modes” in Section 9.

### 2.1 Expanded 8-bit Mode (8 bit x 10 pixels)

This mode offers the highest continuous frame-rate possible.

Table 2 Steps to Enter 8x10 Expanded Camera Link

| Step | Command  | Comment                                     |
|------|----------|---|
| 1    | <SOMD 0> | Go to expanded Camera Link output           |
| 2    | <SBPP 0> | Go to 8 bpp output                          |
| 3    | <SCLK n> | See Table 14 in Section 9 for maximum SCLK. |
| 4    | <SFIT 0> | Set the frame-rate to the maximum supported |
| 5    | <STRT>   | Begin continuously capturing                |

### 2.2 Expanded 16-bit Mode (16 bit x 5 pixels)

This mode offers the highest continuous frame-rate possible while outputting all of the sensor data.

Table 3 Steps to Enter 16x5 Expanded Camera Link

| Step | Command  | Comment                                     |
|------|----------|---|
| 1    | <SOMD 0> | Go to expanded Camera Link output           |
| 2    | <SBPP 1> | Go to 16 bpp output                         |
| 3    | <SCLK n> | See Table 14 in Section 9 for maximum SCLK. |
| 4    | <SFIT 0> | Set the frame-rate to the maximum supported |
| 5    | <STRT>   | Begin continuously capturing                |

### 2.3 Base 8-bit Mode (8 bit x 2 pixels)

This mode offers the highest continuous frame-rate possible.

Table 4 Steps to Enter 8x2 Base Camera Link

| Step | Command      | Comment                                     |
|------|--------------|---|
| 1    | <SOMD 1>     | Go to Base Camera Link output               |
| 2    | <SBPP 0>     | Go to 8 bpp output                          |
| 3    | <SCLK n>     | See Table 14 in Section 9 for maximum SCLK. |
| 4    | <SFIT 50000> | Set the frame-rate to the maximum supported |
| 5    | <STRT>       | Begin continuously capturing                |

## 2.4 Base 16-bit Mode (16 bit x 1 pixel)

This mode offers the highest continuous frame-rate possible.

Table 5 Steps to Enter 16x1 Base Camera Link

| Step | Command  | Comment                                     |
|------|----------|---|
| 1    | <SOMD 1> | Go to Base Camera Link output               |
| 2    | <SBPP 1> | Go to 16 bpp output                         |
| 3    | <SCLK n> | See Table 14 in Section 9 for maximum SCLK. |
| 4    | <SFIT 0> | Set the frame-rate to the maximum supported |
| 5    | <STRT>   | Begin continuously capturing                |

## 2.5 Base 12-bit Mode (12 bit x 2 pixels)

This mode offers the highest continuous frame-rate possible.

Table 6 Steps to Enter 12x2 Expanded Camera Link

| Step | Command   | Comment  |
|------|-----------|--|
| 1    | <SOMD 1>  | Go to Base Camera Link output                      |
| 2    | <SBPP 2>  | Go to 12 bpp output                                |
| 3    | <SSQRT 1> | Enable square root compression from 16 to 12 bits. |
| 4    | <SCLK n>  | See Table 14 in Section 9 for maximum SCLK.        |
| 5    | <SFIT 0>  | Set the frame-rate to the maximum supported        |
| 6    | <STRT>    | Begin continuously capturing                       |

When exiting this mode, ensure that <SSQRT 0> is applied to disable the square root compression.

## 3 Region of Interest

The region of interest is configurable between the sensors with some limitations.

### 3.1 Restrictions

The shared restrictions of ROI:

- ROI height must be an integer multiple of the vertical binning value
- ROI width must be an integer multiple of the horizontal binning value
- ROI width must be an integer multiple of 16

#### 3.1.1 MityCAM-B2521

The maximum resolution of the sensor is 2560x2160.

The specific restrictions for the 2521:

- Start column must be even
- ROI must be centered on the middle row (columns don't need to be centered; only rows)
- ROI height must be even

#### 3.1.2 MityCAM-B1910

The maximum resolution of the sensor is 1920x1080.

There are no other specific restrictions for the MityCAM-B1910.



### 3.2 MityViewer Restrictions

The ROI must meet the above specified requirements when using the MityViewer.

### 3.3 Important Note

Rolling shutter starts exposure by sending a reset pointer row-by-row through the selected area. After some amount of time, the rows are read out. When rows are not reset/read out, they will continue to accumulate charge. Over time, with a reduced vertical ROI (such as requesting 1000 active rows for readout), the remaining active rows (which are NOT being read out) will saturate and bloom into the area being readout. This results in pixels of greater magnitude around the horizontal edge of the imaging area as in the example below:

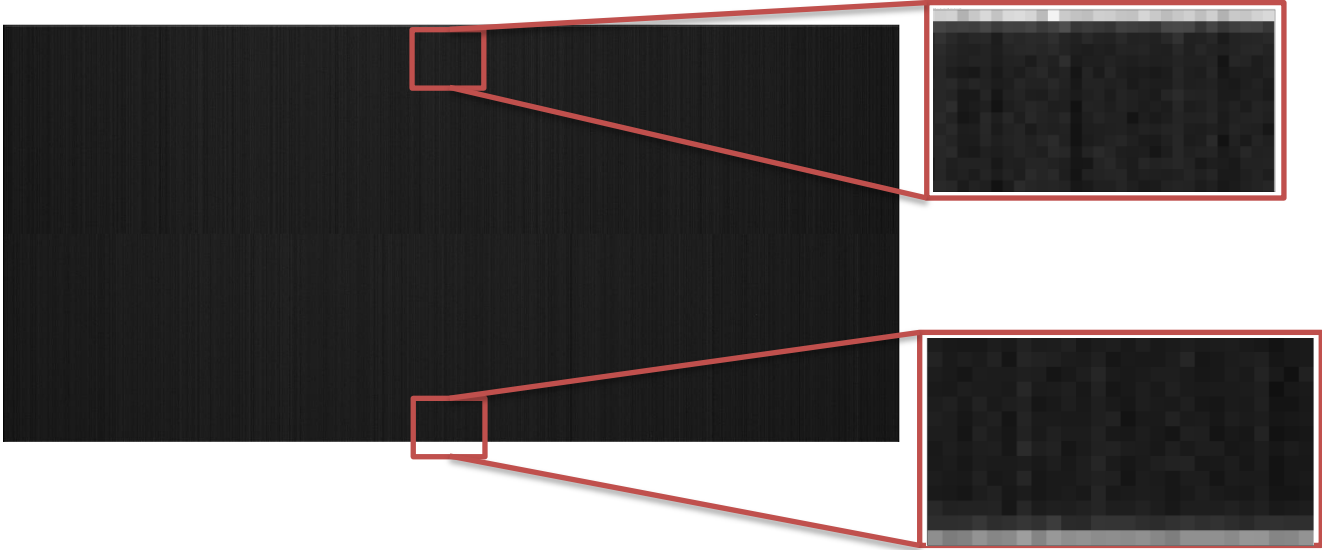


Figure 2 Potential Leakage / Blooming with Reduced Vertical ROIs

## 4 Exposure & Frame Interval Time

Exposure and Frame Interval are integral multiples of “row times” from the sensor. Use the table in the section 5 “SCLK” to convert these row times to time values. Limits on exposure and frame interval times are sensitive to the shutter mode (rolling vs. global) as well as triggering mode (internal vs. external).

### 4.1 Frame Interval

The Frame interval is dependent on the triggering method of the camera as well as the shutter mode. For external triggering, the maximum frame interval time is set by the trigger input. For internal triggering, the maximum frame interval time is defined by Table 7. For both internal and external triggering, the minimum frame times are defined by the values in Table 8.

Table 7 Range of Frame Interval Times

| Minimum Frame Interval (row times) |                                | Maximum Frame Interval (row times) |                                    |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Rolling Shutter                    | Global Shutter                 | Rolling Shutter                    | Global Shutter                     |
| ROI <sub>Height</sub>              | (ROI <sub>Height</sub> + 17)*2 | 262143 + ROI <sub>Height</sub>     | (ROI <sub>Height</sub> + 262143)*2 |

## 4.2 Exposure

For a given Frame Interval of N row times, the exposure time must be limited according to Table 8. For externally triggered modes, N must be limited to be less than  $262143 + ROI_{Height}$ .

Table 8 Allowed Exposure Times

| Frame Interval (rows) | Minimum Exposure (row times) |                | Maximum Exposure (row times) |                           |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                       | Rolling Shutter              | Global Shutter | Rolling Shutter              | Global Shutter            |
| N                     | 1                            | 1              | N - 1                        | $N - (ROI_{Height} + 17)$ |

## 4.3 Configuring

Exposure and frame interval can only be set when the camera is not actively capturing. The interfaces take exposure as a time. Time is then converted to the nearest integral number of row times. Make sure to note the units when setting these times.

### 4.3.1 Camera Link

The resolution of the Camera Link interface is microseconds.

Set exposure using the <SEXP time> command.

Set frame interval using the <SFIT time> command.

To guarantee correctly set time, exposure and frame interval should be set in the following manner:

- If the desired exposure is longer than the current frame interval can support, set the frame interval to be longer first, then set the exposure.
- If the desired frame interval is shorter than the current exposure requires, set the exposure shorter first, then set the frame interval.

### 4.3.2 MityViewer

The resolution of time in MityViewer is milliseconds.

Adjust the values using the boxes provided on the CIS Snapshot Control window:

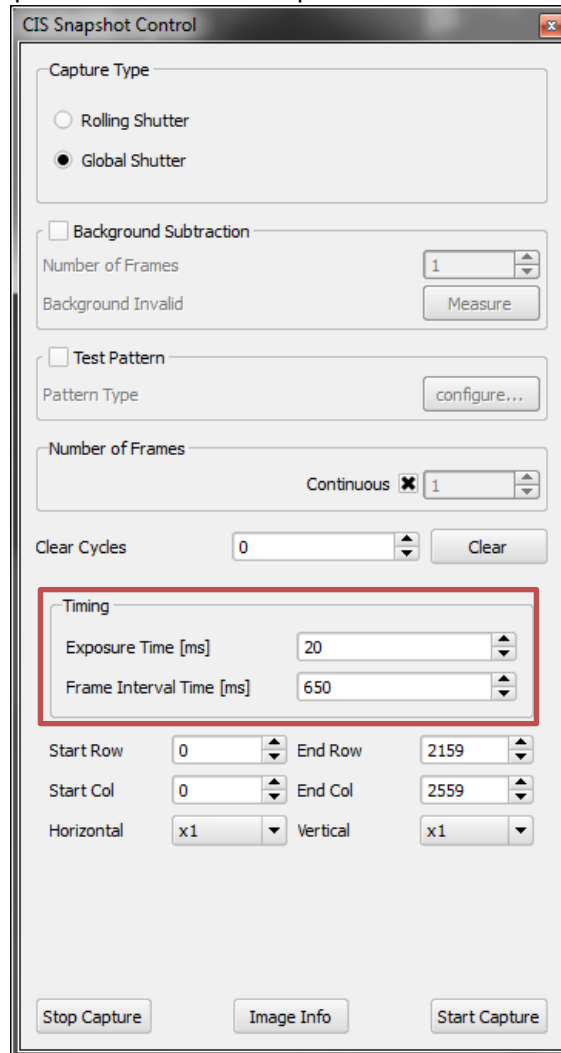


Figure 3 CIS Snapshot Control Window

The frame interval takes precedence when setting values. If exposure is configured for 500ms, and the interval is configured for 100ms, the exposure will be reduced to support the 100ms frame interval.

## 5 SCLK

There are a fixed number of SCLK frequencies available. These SCLK values directly impact the row time. There are 2624 SCLK cycles per row for the MityCAM-B2521. There are 2464 SCLK cycles per row for the MityCAM-B1910.

Use the table below to convert the number of rows into a row time.

The Camera Link interface allows programming the SCLK intervals for both the 1910 and 2521 cameras. By default it uses the 200 MHz clock rate for 10-tap modes of operation. The MityViewer selects 200 MHz for rolling shutter operation and 80 MHz for global shutter operation.

**Table 9 Row Times per SCLK Frequencies for 1910 and 2521 Cameras**

| SCLK (MHz) | MityCAM-B1910 Row Time (us) | MityCAM-B2521 Row Time (us) |
|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 30         | 82.13                       | 87.47                       |
| 40         | 61.6                        | 65.6                        |
| 80         | 30.8                        | 32.8                        |
| 200        | 12.32                       | 13.12                       |

## 6 GPIOs

There are 4 general purpose IOs that can be used. The available modes of operation for them are listed in the table below:

**Table 10 GPIO Modes**

| #  | Mode   |
|----|--|
| 1. | Input for reading  |
| 2. | Output driven low  |
| 3. | Output driven high   |
| 4. | Input for external trigger (See section 7 "External Trigger")    |
| 5. | Output driven as shutter strobe (See section 8 "Shutter Strobe") |

This section will cover Modes 1, 2 and 3. Modes 4 and 5 are covered in separate sections.

All inputs/outputs are TTL 5V logic.

### 6.1 Input

In the input mode of operation, the pin can be queried for its current logical value (High or Low).

#### 6.1.1 Camera Link

Issue <GETP>. The result will be a hex value representing each pin value, as a bit-mask, which was read back. Each bit represents the IO it belongs to (Bit 2 → IO 2's state).

For example, if the response is <ACK><A>, then IO 0 and IO 2 are presently low; IO 1 and IO 3 are presently high.

### 6.1.2 MityViewer

To place a pin in Input mode, select "In" from the drop down selection box.

To read back the current state, press "Update." Pins which are being driven high are denoted with an "x" pins which are low are left blank.

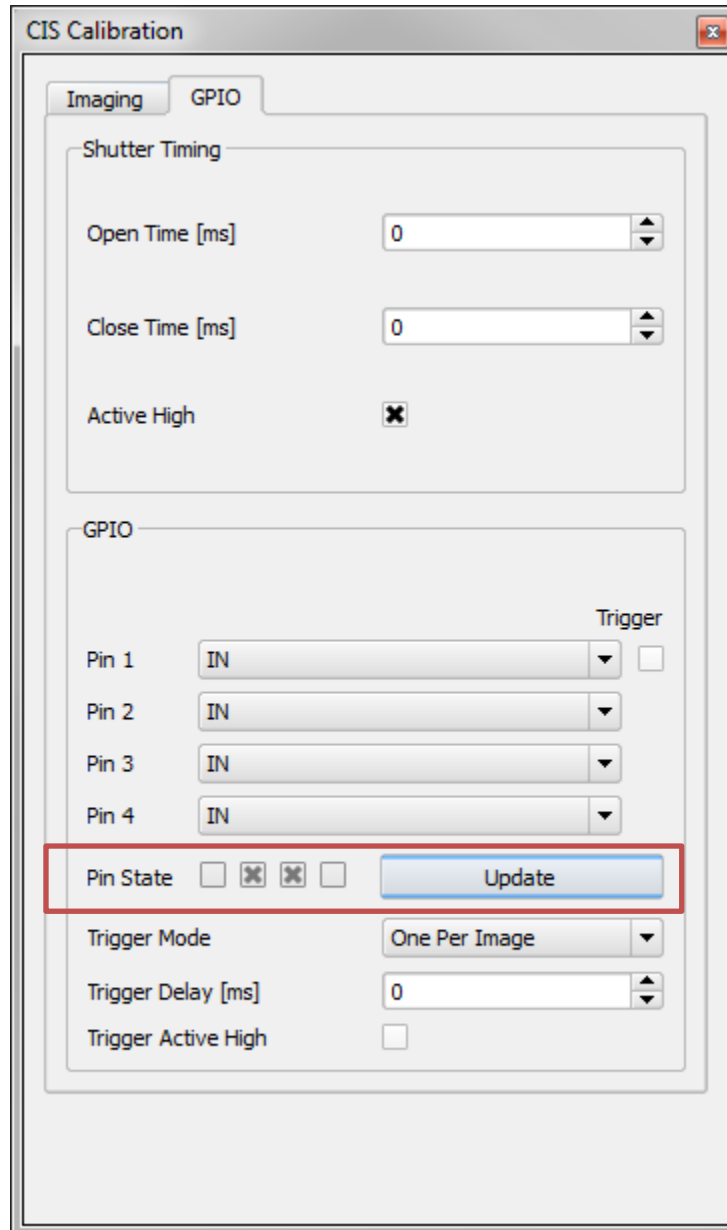


Figure 4 Update GPIO Pin States

From left to right, the state is reported as Pin 1, Pin 2, Pin 3 and Pin 4.

### 6.2 Output

In output mode, the pin can be driven high or low. This can be used to toggle a light source or some other operation.

### 6.2.1 Camera Link

Issue the following commands to drive a pin to high/low:

Table 11 Camera Link GPIO Output Configuration Commands

| # | Command      | Meaning                                       |
|---|--------------|---|
| 1 | <SETD N 1>   | Set the pin direction of IO N to 1 (output)   |
| 2 | <SETP N 1/0> | Drive IO N to logic 1 (high) or logic 0 (low) |

### 6.2.2 MityViewer

To drive an output high or low, select the “High” or “Low” options in the pin selection drop down. The pin will be immediately requested to that state.

## 7 External Trigger

External trigger can be used to synchronize the camera’s start of exposure to an external event.

A few items to note about external triggering are noted below:

- External trigger is available for both Rolling and Global shutter
- External trigger works on CamIO0 (MityViewer Pin 1)
- External trigger looks for the rising edge; exposure duration is set in software

**IMPORTANT:** Remember, for MityCAM-B2521, due to sensor architecture, ROI<sub>Height</sub> is ½ the configured height.

### 7.1 Timing Characteristics

Exposure duration is set according to the section “4.2 Exposure.” Exposure begins as specified in the sections below.

#### 7.1.1 Rolling Shutter

Upon detection of a rising edge, a rolling reset frame will be started. Exposure will continue for the duration configured. When exposure is complete, the frame will be read out.

The external trigger pulse width should be at least one row time wide, and less than the number of row times in the configured ROI. For MityCAM-B2521, that is ½ the number of rows in the ROI height.

#### 7.1.2 Global Shutter

To maximize the potential trigger frequency supported by the camera and due to sensor control requirements, exposure begins and ends at different times depending on the length of exposure. The sensor operates on a time scale of row times which correspond to a fixed number of clock ticks. The number of clock ticks depends on the sensor.

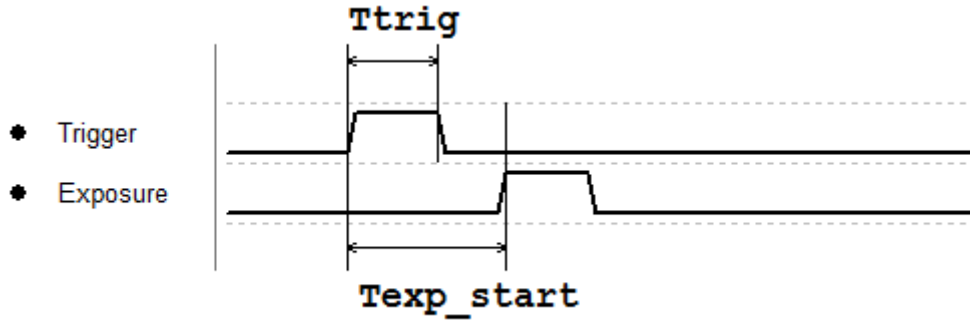


Figure 5 Global Shutter Exposure (Exposure less than ROI Height+16 row times)

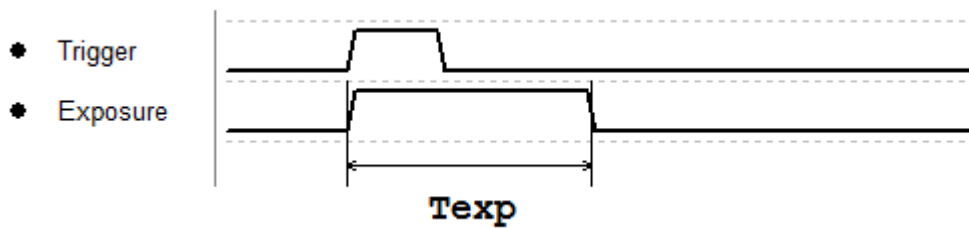


Figure 6 Global Shutter Exposure (Exposure greater than ROI Height+16 row times)

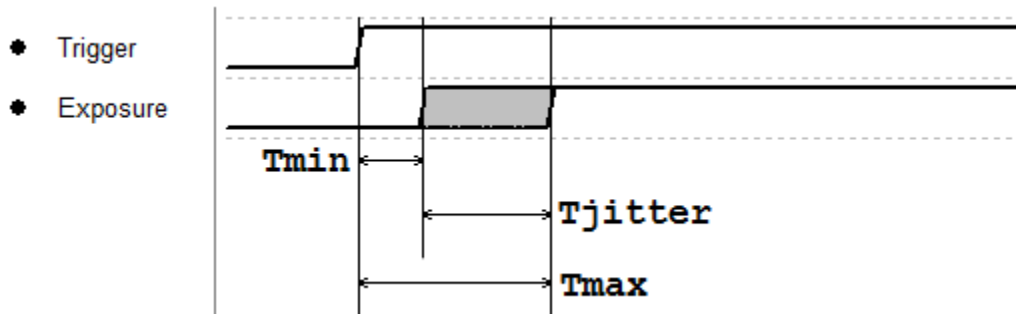


Figure 7 Global Shutter Exposure is Sampled on a Row Time (1 row of jitter possible)

Table 12 Global Shutter Timing Parameters

| Label        | Min       | Typical | Max            | Units     |
|--------------|-----------|---------|----------------|-----------|
| $T_{trig}$   | 1         |         | $ROI_{Height}$ | Row Times |
| $T_{min}$    | 1         | 1       | 1              | Row Times |
| $T_{max}$    | $T_{min}$ |         | $T_{min} + 1$  | Row Times |
| $T_{jitter}$ | 0         |         | 1              | Row Times |

$T_{exp}$  is the configured exposure time. There is no minimum, and the maximum is currently 262143 rows. If longer exposures are needed, SCLK can be reduced.

$T_{exp\_start}$  is a function of the current exposure time. Due to sensor control requirements, maximizing potential trigger frequency requires  $T_{exp\_start}$  to follow the equation (1) below:

$$T_{exp\_start} = T_{jitter} + T_{min} + \begin{cases} ROI_{Height} + 16 - T_{exp} & |T_{exp} \leq ROI_{Height} + 16 \\ 0 & |T_{exp} > ROI_{Height} + 16 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

The first class essentially dictates that the exposure start time is the  $ROI_{Height}$  plus 16 minus the number of rows of exposure.

The second class shows that the exposure starts after 1 row plus some jitter after the trigger starts.

Multiplying the number of rows by the row time yields the actual time of the event.

## 7.2 Configuration

This section will tell you how to set up External Triggering. See the section pertaining to the interface you are using.

### 7.2.1 Camera Link

Issue the following commands.

| Command  | Meaning  |
|----------|--|
| <STOP>   | Ensure the camera is not currently running.                |
| <TRIG 1> | Tell the camera it will be triggering on CamIO0            |
| <STRT>   | Arm the camera; it is now waiting for the external trigger |

To exit external trigger, issue <STOP><TRIG 0>. Issuing <STRT> will cause the camera to free run.



### 7.2.2 MityViewer

On the GPIO tab of the CIS Calibration Window, set Pin 1 to input and press the checkbox:

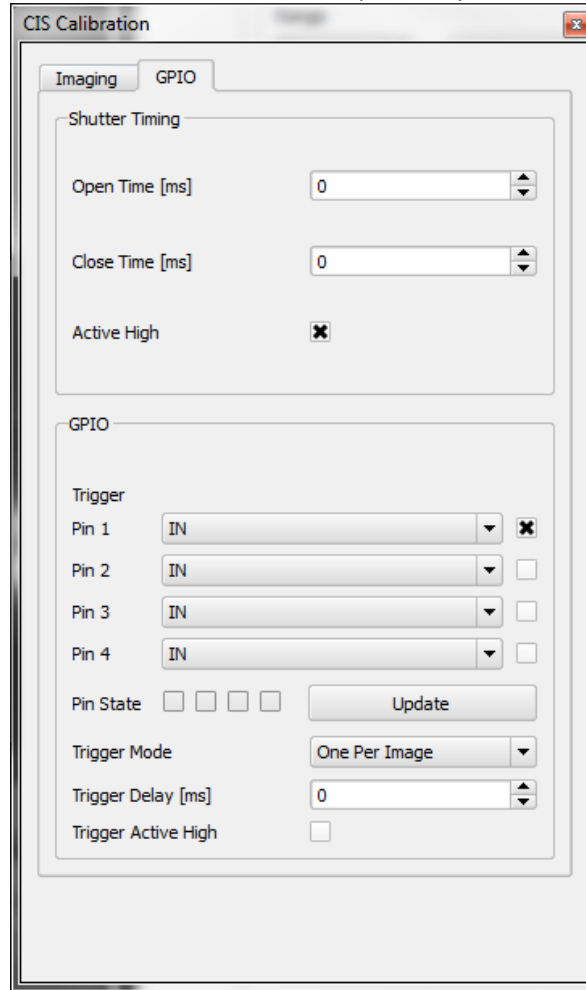


Figure 8 MityViewer CIS Calibration Window Configured for External Trigger

In the log, the following lines will appear:

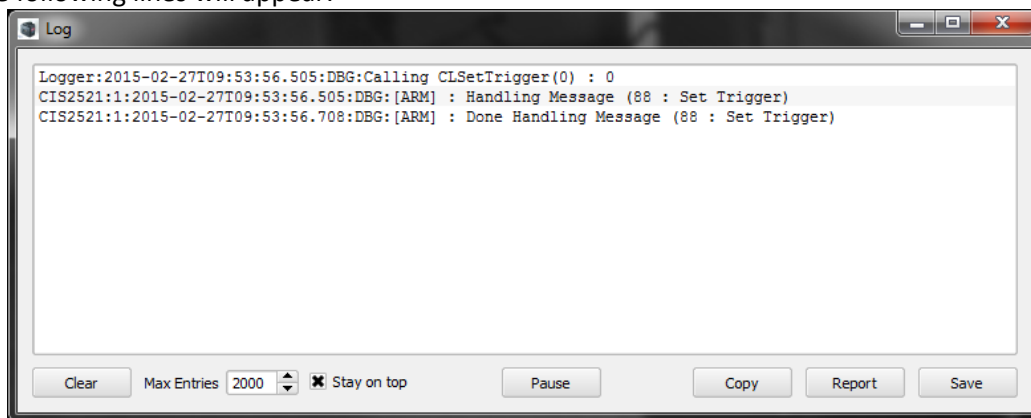


Figure 9 MityViewer Log Window for Trigger Configuration

On the Snapshot Control, select Continuous, and set the desired exposure time. Frame interval is ignored when in external trigger mode:

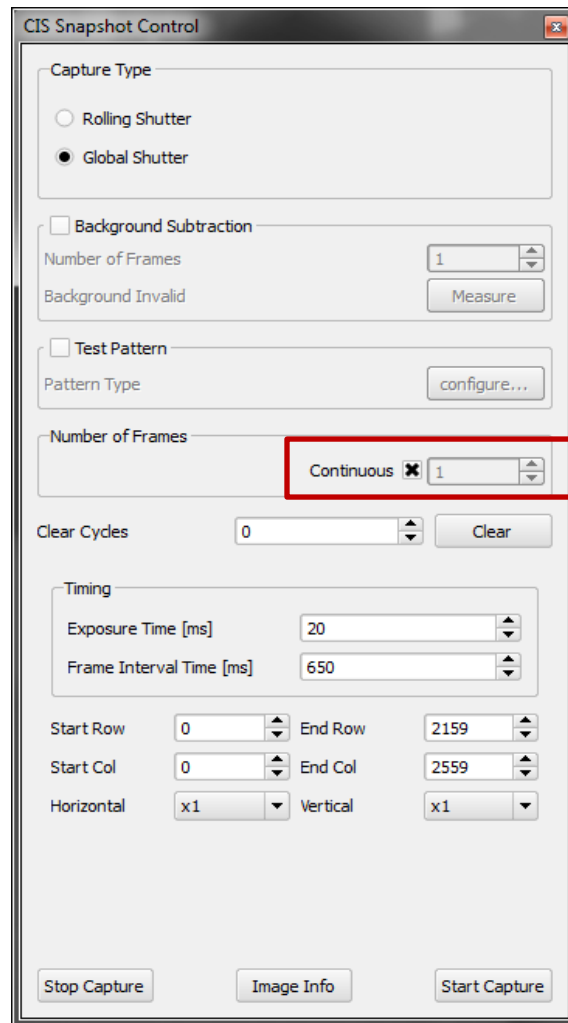


Figure 10 MityViewer Snapshot Control Window, Configure for Continuous Capture

Select "Start Capture" to arm the camera. Applying external triggers will begin updating the frame.

To exit external trigger mode, click "Stop Capture," then deselect the trigger checkbox.

## 8 Shutter Strobe

The shutter strobe is a logical output that can be used to synchronize an external device to the beginning of exposure of the camera. You can select any of the 4 GPIO pins to generate the shutter strobe signal.

The shutter strobe is available for both rolling and global shutter. They have different meaning and characteristics depending on whether the camera is operating in rolling or global shutter as well as in external or internal trigger.

### 8.1 Rolling Shutter

In rolling shutter, each row begins exposure at a different time. In this case, the shutter strobe is useful to synchronize an external device to a free-running camera.

#### 8.1.1 Internal Trigger

The shutter strobe is basically a copy of the frame valid signal from the sensor chip in rolling shutter mode. The width of the strobe is equal to the length of the FVAL signal. FVAL is held high for approximately  $ROI_{Height}$  number of row times.

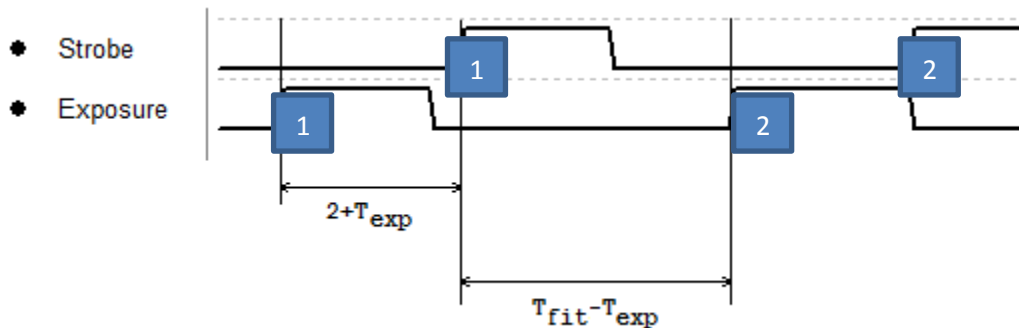


Figure 11 Shutter Strobe Timing in Rolling Shutter Mode

Figure 11 illustrates the location of the shutter strobe signal with respect to the exposure period while in rolling shutter. The strobe occurs  $2+T_{exp}$  rows AFTER the beginning of the first rows exposure.  $T_{exp}$  is the configured exposure time.

For an internally triggered, free-running camera, the NEXT exposure will start  $T_{fit}-T_{exp}$  rows away from the rising edge of the Strobe signal.  $T_{fit}$  is the configured frame interval.

#### 8.1.2 External Trigger

In external trigger, the strobe's rising edge occurs 1 row time before the beginning of frame exposure. This is due to the implementation of rolling shutter which requires a rolling reset to occur.

The strobe width corresponds to the duration of exposure for the first row.

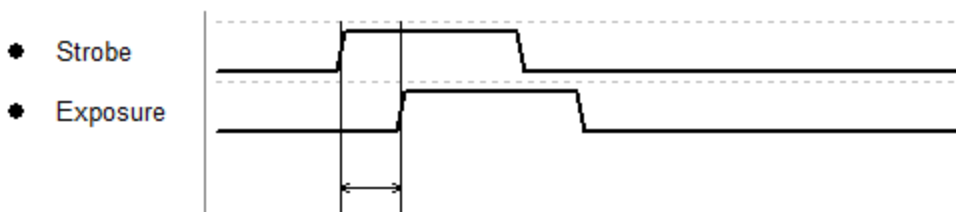


Figure 12 Strobe to Exposure Delay (1 row time)

The time between the strobe and the actual beginning of exposure should be 1 row time.

## 8.2 Global Shutter

In global shutter mode, the strobe's rising edge denotes the actual beginning of frame exposure. The strobe width corresponds to the duration of exposure.

## 8.3 Configuring

This section will provide details on how to enable the shutter strobe.

### 8.3.1 MityViewer

From the GPIO tab in the CIS Calibration window, select the "Shutter" option for the pin which should output the strobe signal.

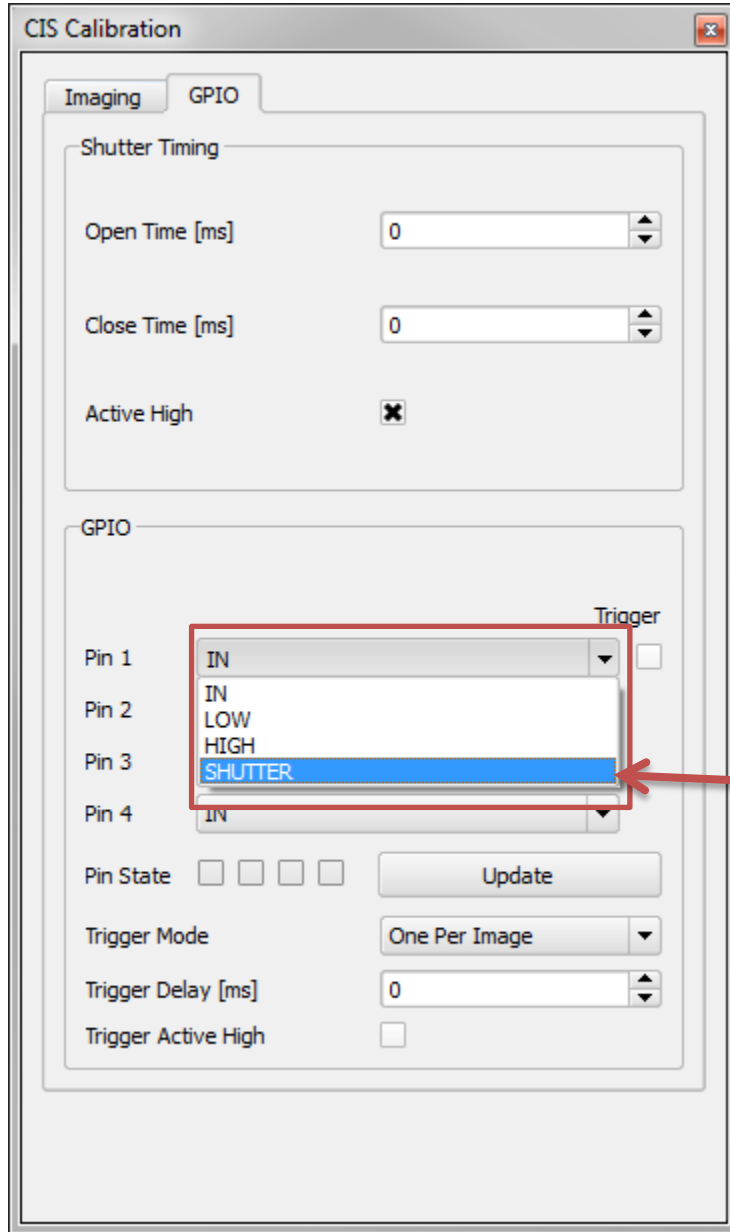


Figure 13 “Shutter” Strobe Selection in MityViewer GPIO Configuration

### 8.3.2 Camera Link

The following example will set IO 1 to create a shutter signal.

Table 13 Camera Link Commands for Configuring GPIO to Generate Shutter Strobe

| # | Command    | Meaning                                     |
|---|------------|---|
| 1 | <SETD 1 1> | Set the pin direction of IO 1 to 1 (output) |
| 2 | <SETP 1 2> | Drive IO 1 to “2” (shutter).                |

The above steps can be used to enable the shutter strobe on any of the remaining pins.

## 9 Camera Link

There are 5 different Camera Link output modes supported by the MityCAM-B2521 and the MityCAM-B1910. The pixel clock for the Camera Link output is currently fixed at 85MHz. This is not configurable. DVAL is not output. Data is valid with LVAL and FVAL is valid.

**Table 14 Maximum Supported SCLK Rates for Different Camera Link Output Modes**

| Mode   | Maximum SCLK  |               |
|--|---------------|---------------|
|  | MityCAM-B2521 | MityCAM-B1910 |
| 16 bpp x 5 pixels per clock (Expanded 10-tap mode) | 200 MHz       | 200 MHz       |
| 8 bpp x 10 pixels per clock (Expanded 10-tap Mode) | 200 MHz       | 200 MHz       |
| 8 bpp x 2 pixels per clock (Base Mode)             | 80 MHz        | 200 MHz       |
| 12 bpp x 2 pixel per clock (Base Mode)             | 80 MHz        | 200 MHz       |
| 16 bpp x 1 pixel per clock (Base Mode)             | 40 MHz        | 80 MHz        |

A 6<sup>th</sup> mode is supported for the MityCAM-B2521. It outputs a 10-tap expanded-mode that outputs 12-bits per pixel and is compatible with the PCO Edge 5.5 12-bit look-up table as described in section 2.4 of the [PCO Edge Camera Link Interface document](#). Currently, this mode is only supported by the EPIX frame grabber hardware.

The frame rate limitations for full RIO capture in rolling shutter mode for each of the available Camera Link modes are defined in the table below (where the SCLK rates have been converted to frame rates). For global shutter, the frame rate is one half the rolling shutter rate.

**Table 15 Maximum Supported Frame Rates for Different Camera Link Modes**

| Mode   | Maximum Frame Rate (Full ROI, Rolling Shutter) |               |
|--|--|---------------|
|  | MityCAM-B2521                                  | MityCAM-B1910 |
| 16 bpp x 5 pixels per clock (Expanded 10-tap mode) | 70   | 75            |
| 8 bpp x 10 pixels per clock (Expanded 10-tap Mode) | 70   | 75            |
| 8 bpp x 2 pixels per clock (Base Mode)             | 28   | 75            |
| 12 bpp x 2 pixel per clock (Base Mode)             | 28   | 75            |
| 16 bpp x 1 pixel per clock (Base Mode)             | 14   | 30            |

Because the minimum exposure time is one row time, and the row time is a function of SCLK frequency, the minimum exposure time is also sensitive to which Camera Link mode is used. The summary of minimum exposure time for either rolling shutter or global shutter is defined in Table 16.

**Table 16 Minimum Exposure Time as a Function of Output Camera Link Mode**

| Mode                         | Minimum Exposure (any shutter mode) |               |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
|                              | MityCAM-B2521                       | MityCAM-B1910 |
| 16 bpp x 5 pixels (Expanded) | 13.12 us                            | 12.32 us      |
| 8 bpp x 10 pixels (Expanded) | 13.12 us                            | 12.32 us      |
| 8 bpp x 2 pixels (Base)      | 32.8 us                             | 12.32 us      |
| 12 bpp x 2 pixel (Base)      | 32.8 us                             | 12.32 us      |
| 16 bpp x 1 pixel (Base)      | 65.6 us                             | 30.8 us       |

## 9.1 Camera Link Configuration

### 9.1.1 Camera Link Output Mode

To enter a specific Camera Link output mode, there are 2 commands that must be issued to the camera. The first command sets the number of bits per pixel to output. The second command sets the output mode (Base vs. Expanded). For entering and exiting 12 bit mode, it is important to enable/disable the square root compression block as well. Table 17 summarizes the commands that must be issued to configure the Camera Link output mode. Further information on the Camera Link interface can be found in the MityCAM-B1910 or MityCAM-B2521 Camera Link Interface Document.

**Table 17 Required Camera Link Commands to Enter a Given Camera Link Output Mode**

| Output Mode                  | Commands                  |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 16 bpp x 5 pixels (Expanded) | <SBPP 1><SOMD 0><SSQRT 0> |
| 8 bpp x 10 pixels (Expanded) | <SBPP 0><SOMD 0><SSQRT 0> |
| 8 bpp x 2 pixels (Base)      | <SBPP 0><SOMD 1><SSQRT 0> |
| 12 bpp x 2 pixel (Base)      | <SBPP 2><SOMD 1><SSQRT 1> |
| 16 bpp x 1 pixel (Base)      | <SBPP 1><SOMD 1><SSQRT 0> |

After setting the Camera Link mode, be sure to set an acceptable clock speed at or below the maximum SCLK listed earlier.

- 1 Select a desired frame interval
- 2 Set an exposure time that is sufficiently small for the minimum frame interval
  - a. See section 3 Exposure & Frame Interval Time.
- 3 Issue <SFIT 0>

Special provisions have been made so that the fastest frame rate possible is configured when attempting to set a frame interval of 0. The actually configured frame interval can be checked using <GFIT>.

Issue <SEXP 0>. Special provisions have been made so that the smallest exposure possible is configured when attempting to set an exposure of 0. The actually configured exposure can be checked using <GEXP>.

## 10 MityCAM-B2521 Specific Configurations

This section covers special modes of operation specific to the MityCAM-B2521.

### 10.1 Pseudo-One Port Mode

Pseudo-One Port mode allows the MityCAM-B2521 to operate as a raster order camera. This allows it to be compatible with frame grabbers which cannot perform row reordering operations as is needed when this mode is disabled.

This mode is only applicable for Camera Link. The camera performs the row re-ordering internally when outputting to MityViewer.

### 10.1.1 Limitations

At this time, the following limitations exist when operating in Pseudo-One Port mode:

- Only works in rolling shutter mode (no global shutter support)
- No external trigger support
- Maximum frame rate is half the maximum for interleaved mode

### 10.1.2 Configuration

Issue the following commands to enter the mode:

Table 18: Pseudo-One Port Mode Commands

| # | Command   | Meaning  |
|---|-----------|--|
| 1 | <SSOMD 2> | Have the sensor read from top to bottom on both halves |
| 2 | <SPOP 1>  | Output in pseud-one port mode                          |

Issue the following commands to return to the row-interleaved format:

Table 19: Row-Interleaved Mode Commands

| # | Command   | Meaning                          |
|---|-----------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | <SPOP 0>  | Output in row-interleaved format |
| 2 | <SSOMD 0> | Output from the middle out       |

## 11 MityCAM-B1910 Specific Configurations

There are currently no special configuration modes for the MityCAM-B1910.

## 12 Network Configuration

There are 2 TCP/IP (IPV4) network interfaces currently used by the MityCAM-B1910 and MityCAM-B2521, namely USB and GigE. For all I/O options, a USB2.0 port is available that runs the Remote Network Driver Interface Specification (RNDIS) with a fixed, static IP address configured from the factory. For cameras with the Gigabit-Ethernet interface option, the IPV4 address is configured at the factory to use the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) as summarized in the table below.

Table 20 Factory Default Network Address Settings

| Interface                 | DHCP? | IPV4 Address / netmask |
|---------------------------|-------|------------------------|
| USB 2.0 Port              | N     | 10.1.47.2/16           |
| Gigabit Ethernet (option) | Y     | N/A                    |

There is a mechanism for updating the default network address via a simple web page interface to the camera. The MityViewer application, which uses the Critical Link *clcamiface* DLL, provides a mechanism to locate the device on the network using a custom discovery protocol. You can locate an Ethernet camera connect by selecting "Ethernet" and "Scan for devices" on the camera connection dialog of the application.



Using either the USB 2.0 Port or the Gigabit Ethernet interface, you can alter the network configuration of either interface by opening a standard Web Browser (e.g., Internet Explorer, Chrome, Firefox, etc.) and connection to address <http://10.1.47.2/netconfig.py>. Change the 10.1.47.2 address to the appropriate address if you are using the Gigabit Ethernet interface. After selecting the webpage, you should see the following dialog:

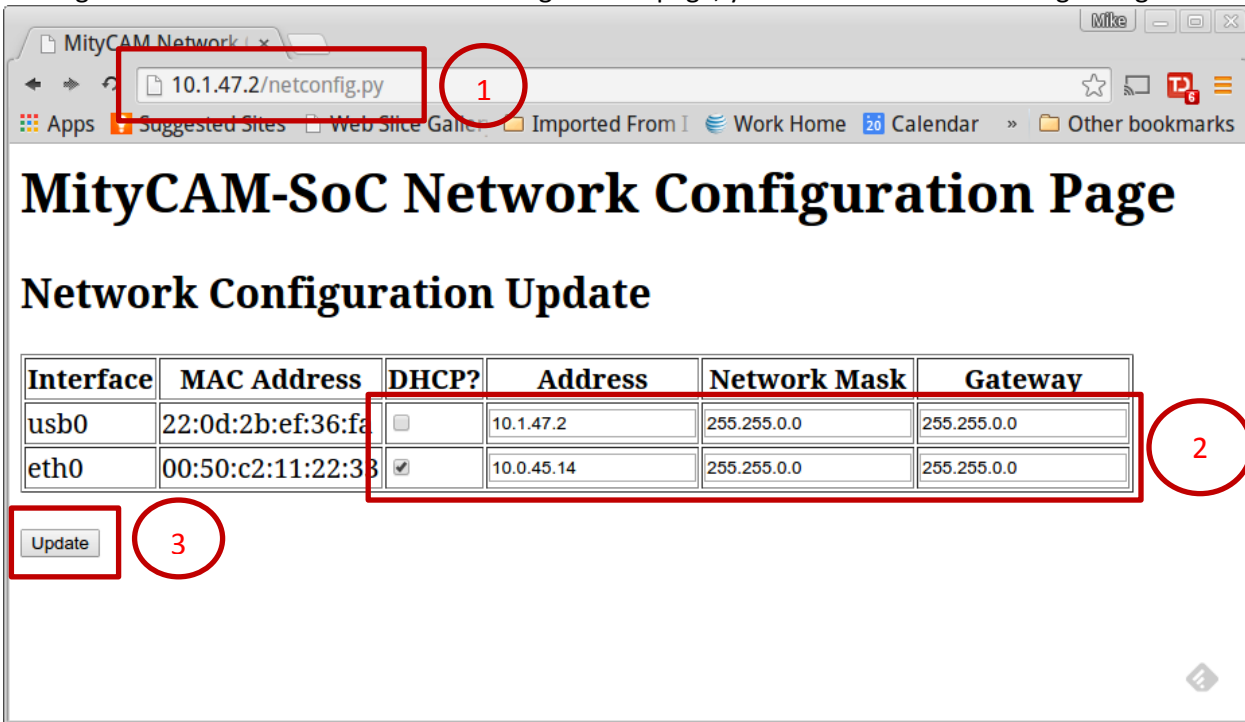


Figure 14 Network Configuration Webpage

With the displayed dialog, change the network settings for the interface that needs updating and select the "update" button. This will cause the device to rewrite its' network configuration settings and restart the network connections immediately. Note: if you are modifying the same network interface that you are connected on, you may need to power cycle the camera after 1 minute to reconnect the network web interface.

### 13 Firmware Upgrade

Recent versions of the MityCAM-B2521 and MityCAM-B1910 allow upgrading the firmware via the network interface. Details for acquiring the firmware and downloading the firmware to the camera are available on the Critical Link [MityCAM Support Site](http://www.criticallink.com).

## 14 Connecting via RNDIS to a Windows PC

- 1) Open the Network Connections dialog; it may be found by selecting Control Panel -> Network and Internet -> Network Connections.
- 2) Select and 'right-click' the "USB Ethernet/RNDIS Gadget #X" icon (underlined in red) and then select "Properties" from the pop-up menu.

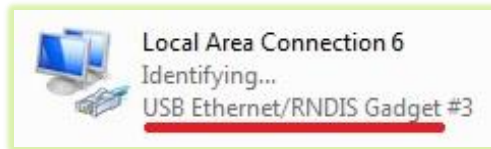


Figure 15 Typical Windows USB RNDIS Adapter Properties

- 3) Select "Internet Protocol Version 4" (TCP/IPv4) and then press the "Properties" button. See Figure 16.

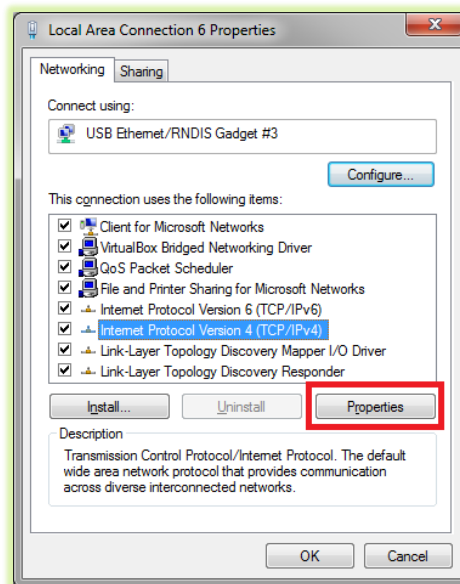
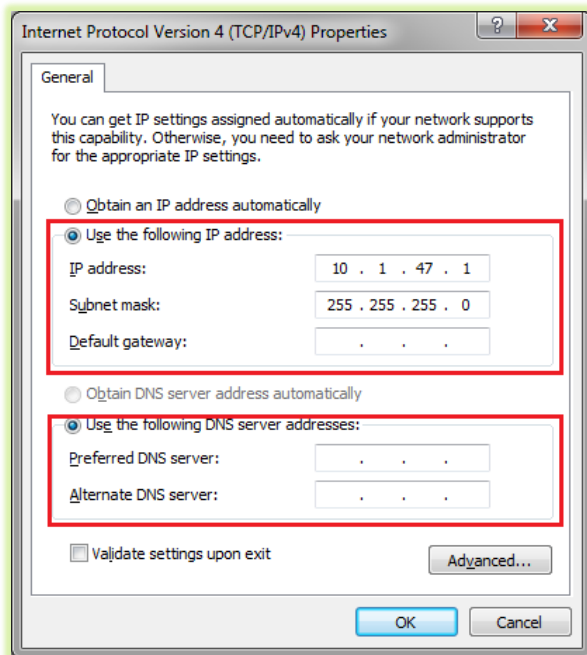


Figure 16 Internet Protocol Version 4 Properties Box

- 4) Enable static IP for the USB by NIC by setting the following parameters:
  - a. Select "Use the following IP address"
  - b. Enter IP address: 10.1.47.1
  - c. Enter subnet mask 255.255.255.0
  - d. Leave Default Gateway blank
  - e. Select "Use the following DNS server addresses" radio button and leave blank. See Figure 17.



**Figure 17 Static IP Configuration Settings**

- 5) The USB RNDIS device is now configured for use with the MityCAM. Note that you can connect to the camera using SSH and SCP protocols. There is also a basic web interface for gathering serial number data and performing firmware upgrades.

## 15 Revision History

| Revision | Date       | Author     | Description                               |
|----------|------------|------------|---|
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