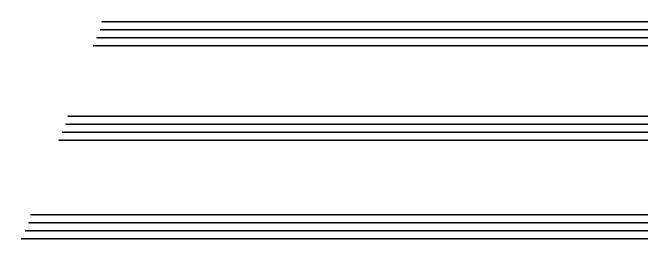


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About this Manual

This manual describes how to get started using a DT3154 frame grabber board.

Intended Audience

This document is intended for engineers, scientists, technicians, or others responsible for setting up a DT3154 board to perform machine vision and/or image analysis operations. It is assumed that you have some familiarity with the operating characteristics of your video source. It is also assumed that you are familiar with the Microsoft® Windows® 98, Windows Me (Millennium Edition), Windows 2000, or Windows XP operating system.

What You Should Learn from this Manual

This manual will help you install and set up your board and device driver successfully. It is organized as follows:

- Chapter 1, "Overview," describes the key features of the DT3154
 Series hardware and software, and provides an overview of the getting started procedure;
- Chapter 2, "Preparing to Use the DT3154," describes how to unpack the board and software, check system requirements, install the DT3154 software, and view the DT3154 documentation online;
- Chapter 3, "Installing the Board," describes how to install the DT3154 board;
- Chapter 4, "Connecting Signals," describes how to connect signals to the board;

- Chapter 5, "Installing and Configuring the Device Driver," describes how to install and configure the device driver; and
- Chapter 6, "Verifying Board Operation," describes how to verify the board's operation using DT-Acquire.
- An index completes this manual.

Conventions Used in this Manual

The following conventions are used in this manual:

- Notes provide useful information that requires special emphasis, cautions provide information to help you avoid losing data or damaging your equipment, and warnings provide information to help you avoid catastrophic damage to yourself or your equipment.
- Items that you select or type are shown in **bold**.
- Courier font is used to represent source code.

Related Information

Refer to the following documents for more information on using a DT3154 board:

- The DT3154 User's Manual (UM-16345), included on the Imaging OMNI CD™ provided with the DT3154 board, describes the features of the DT3154 board and DT3154 Device Driver in detail.
- Frame Grabber SDK User's Manual (UM-13442) and online help, included on the Imaging OMNI CD provided with the DT3154 board, describe the Dynamic Linkable Library (DLL) that you can use to write image acquisition application software.

- DT-Active Open Layers User's Manual (UM-17325), available from Data Translation, describes DT-Active Open Layers™, an ActiveX control, which allows you to use Data Translation PCI frame grabber boards within graphical programming environments such as Microsoft Visual Basic® and Visual C++®.
- GLOBAL LAB Image/2 User's Manual and GLOBAL LAB Image/2
 API Manual, available from Data Translation, describe how to use
 GLOBAL LAB® Image/2 and GLOBAL LAB Image/2
 Streamline™ to create scientific applications using
 object-oriented image processing tools.
- DT Vision Foundry User's Manual and DT Vision Foundry API
 Manual, available from Data Translation, describe how to use DT
 Vision Foundry™ to create machine vision applications using
 object-oriented image processing tools.

Where to Get Help

Should you run into problems installing or using a DT3154 board, our Technical Support Department is available to provide technical assistance. Refer to the Troubleshooting chapter of the *DT3154 User's Manual* for more information (see page 13 for information on installing and viewing this manual). If you are outside the United States or Canada, call your local distributor, whose number is listed in your Data Translation product handbook.



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Key Hardware Features

The DT3154 is an RGB (red, green, and blue) frame grabber board for the PCI bus. It is suitable for both image analysis and machine vision applications.

Key features of the DT3154 board are summarized as follows:

- Operates as a PCI bus master;
- Supports real-time image transfer to system memory;
- Supports RGB NTSC and RGB PAL video formats;
- Digitizes a 24-bit RGB input from one of two video input channels (each consisting of separate red, green, and blue signals);
- Can digitize two 8-bit monochrome signals of an input channel simultaneously to provide progressive scan capability;
- Can digitize three 8-bit monochrome signals of an input channel simultaneously;
- Supports single and multiple frame acquisitions for both color and monochrome images;
- Supports programmable region-of-interest (ROI);
- Provides real-time, interpolated scaling to any size;
- Provides a 256 x 8-bit input look-up-table (ILUT) for each signal (red, green, and blue) corresponding to each input channel;
- Synchronizes to one of seven sources: the red, green, or blue signal corresponding to either input channel or to an external sync input;
- Provides a sync output for driving camera timing;
- Provides fixed Sync Sentinel with an enable/disable option for VCR compatibility;

- Provides programmable control of the A/D offset and reference settings of the board;
- Accepts an external trigger with selectable polarity; and
- Provides two general-purpose, TTL-level digital inputs and three general-purpose, TTL-level digital outputs.

For more information on these features, refer to the *DT3154 User's Manual* (see page 13 for information on viewing this manual).

DT3154 Software

The DT3154 software includes the following components:

- **DT3154 Device Driver** –This software, which is operating-system specific, is shipped with the board. You *must* install this device driver to use the DT3154 board with any of the supported software packages or utilities.
- DT3154 User's Manual, in PDF format –Describes the features of the DT3154 board and how to use the DT3154 Device Driver with the Frame Grabber SDK and Color SDK Extensions to write an application program.
- This manual in PDF format.

Refer to Chapter 2 starting on page 7 for information on installing the DT3154 software.

Getting Started Procedure

The flow diagram shown in Figure 1 illustrates the steps needed to get started using the DT3154 board. This diagram is repeated in each chapter; the shaded area in the diagram shows you where you are in the getting started procedure.

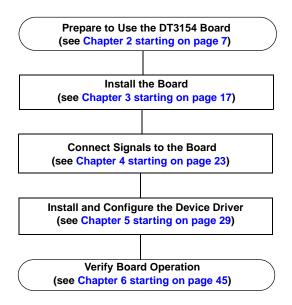
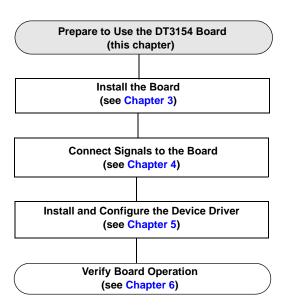


Figure 1: Getting Started Flow Diagram



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Unpacking

Open the shipping box and carefully remove the DT3154 frame grabber board.

CAUTION:

Keep the DT3154 board in its protective antistatic bag until you are ready to configure and/or install it.

Verify that the following items are present:

- DT3154 frame grabber board, and
- Imaging OMNI CD-ROM.

If an item is missing or damaged, call Data Translation's Customer Service Department at (508) 481-3700 x394. Customer Service will guide you through the appropriate steps for replacing missing or damaged items. If you are located outside the USA, call your local distributor, listed in your Data Translation Product Handbook.

Note: We suggest that you save the original packing material in the unlikely event that your board requires servicing in the future.

Checking the System Requirements

For reliable operation, your DT3154 board requires the following minimum system requirements:

- 120 MHz Pentium processor with an Intel PCI chip set that supports and enables PCI-to-posted memory writes. The following Intel PCI chip sets are known to work properly:
 - Triton 8243xFX,
 - Triton2 8243xHX,
 - Triton VX 8243xVX,
 - Triton TX 8243xTX,
 - Natoma 8244xFX, or
 - Natoma 8244xLX.

Note: The following Intel PCI chip sets are known not to work properly: Saturn 8242x, Mercury 8243xLX, Neptune 8243xNX, Orion 8245xKX, and Orion 8245xKG. If your system contains one of these chip sets, please call your system manufacturer to replace the chip set with one that is supported.

- A BIOS that complies with PCI specifications, such as one of the following:
 - AMI, or
 - AWARD (version 4.51PG).

Note: Version 4, revision 6 of the Phoenix BIOS works properly. However, early versions of this BIOS are known not to work properly. If your system contains an earlier version of the Phoenix BIOS, please call your system manufacturer to upgrade the BIOS to Version 4, revision 6.

- At least one available PCI 32-bit or 64-bit bus master expansion slot.
- At least 16 MB of RAM (32 MB recommended). Note that 1.2 MB (60 Hz) or 1.7 MB (50 Hz) are required to store each frame.
- A PCI graphics card with a 16-bit or 32-bit color palette. A DDI-compatible, PCI bus graphics card is recommended for real-time display.
- An image input source with appropriate cabling.
- At least one CD-ROM drive.
- A hard disk.
- Windows 98, Windows Me, Windows 2000, or Windows XP.

Installing the Software

To install the DT3154 software, perform the following procedure:

- 1. Insert the Imaging OMNI CD into your CD-ROM drive.
- **2.** Click **Start** from the Task Bar, then click **Run**. *The Run dialog box appears*.
- **3.** In the **Command Line** edit box, enter **x**:**LAUNCH.EXE** (where *x* is the letter of your CD-ROM drive).
- **4.** Click **OK**. The Imaging OMNI CD splash screen appears.
- 5. Click Install Products.
- 6. Click Mach I Series.
- 7. Click **Device Drivers**.
- 8. Click **DT3154**, then click Next.

 If you are using Windows 2000 or Windows XP, the installation instructions are displayed. If you are using Windows 98 or Windows Me, the files are copied.
- **9.** If you are using Windows 2000 or Windows XP, click **Print** to print the installation instructions, or go to the next section to install and print the DT3154 documentation.
- 10. Click Main Menu, then click Exit.

Installing the DT3154 Documentation

If you are using Windows 98 or Windows Me and installed the DT3154 device driver, the DT3154 documentation is automatically copied to your hard drive. Refer to the next section for information on viewing these documents.

If you are using Windows 2000 or Windows XP, perform the following steps to install the DT3154 documentation:

- 1. Insert the Imaging OMNI CD into your CD-ROM drive.
- **2.** Click **Start** from the Task Bar, then click **Run**. *The Run dialog box appears*.
- 3. In the **Command Line** edit box, enter **x**:**LAUNCH.EXE** (where *x* is the letter of your CD-ROM drive).
- **4.** Click **OK**. The Imaging OMNI CD splash screen appears.
- 5. Click Install Products.
- 6. Click Mach I Series.
- 7. Click **Documentation**.
- 8. Click Getting Started.
- 9. Click DT3154.
- **10.** Browse to the directory in which to copy the manual on your hard disk, the click **Next**.

The manual is copied to your hard disk.

- Click OK.
- 12. Click Back.
- 13. Click User's Manual.
- 14. Click DT3154.

15. Browse to the directory in which to copy the manual on your hard disk, the click **Next**.

The manual is copied to your hard disk.

- 16. Click OK.
- 17. Click Main Menu, then click Exit.

Refer to the next section for information on viewing these documents.

Viewing the DT3154 Documentation

Note: To view the DT3154 documentation, ensure that Adobe Acrobat 4.0 or greater is installed on your system. Acrobat Reader 5.0 is provided on the Imaging OMNI CD. If you install Acrobat Reader 5.0 from this CD, you must open Acrobat Reader and accept the license agreement before you can view the documentation.

Once you have installed the manuals to your hard disk, you can view these documents by accessing them through the Data Translation, Inc\DT3154 program folder.

You can also view the documents from the Imaging OMNI CD, by performing the following steps:

- 1. Insert the Imaging OMNI CD into your CD-ROM drive.
- **2.** Click **Start** from the Task Bar, then click **Run**. *The Run dialog box appears*.
- 3. In the **Command Line** edit box, enter **x**:**LAUNCH.EXE** (where *x* is the letter of your CD-ROM drive).
- **4.** Click **OK**. The Imaging OMNI CD splash screen appears.
- Click View Documentation
- Click Getting Started Manuals and click DT3154, or click User's Manuals and click DT3154.
 Adobe Acrobat Reader opens.

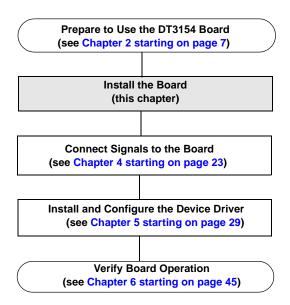
Here are a few helpful hints about using Adobe Acrobat Reader:

- To navigate to a specific section of the document, click a heading from the table of contents on the left side of the document.
- Within the document, click the text shown in blue to jump to the appropriate reference (the pointer changes from a hand to an index finger).
- To go back to the page from which the jump was made, click the right mouse button and Go Back, or from the main menu, click Document, then Go Back.
- To print the document, from the main menu, click **File**, then **Print**.
- To increase or decrease the size of the displayed document, from the main menu, click **View**, then **Zoom**.
- By default, text and monochrome images are smoothed in Acrobat Reader, resulting in blurry images. If you wish, you can turn smoothing off by clicking File, then Preferences/General, and unchecking Smooth Text and Images.



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Setting up the Computer

CAUTION:

To prevent electrostatic damage that can occur when handling electronic equipment, use a ground strap or similar device when performing this installation procedure.

Perform the following procedure to set up the computer:

- **1.** Turn off the computer.
- **2.** Turn off all peripherals (printer, modem, monitor, and so on) connected to the computer.
- **3.** Unplug the computer and all peripherals.
- **4.** Remove the cover from you computer. Refer to your computer's user manual for instructions.

Next, select an expansion slot, as described in the next section.

Selecting an Expansion Slot

Perform the following procedure to select an expansion slot:

1. Select a 32-bit or 64-bit PCI master expansion slot. Refer to your computer system's user manual to determine which slots are bus masters.

PCI slots are shorter than ISA or EISA slots and are usually white or ivory. Commonly, three PCI slots (one of which may be a shared ISA/PCI slot) are available. If an ISA board exists in the shared slot, you cannot use the slot for a PCI board; likewise if a PCI board exists in the shared slot, you cannot use the slot for an ISA board.

Note: In most PCI systems, any PCI slot can be a bus master.

2. Remove the cover plate from the selected expansion slot. Retain the screw that held it in place; you will use it later to install the board.

Next, insert the DT3154 board in the expansion slot, as described in the next section.

Inserting the DT3154 Board in the Computer

To insert the DT3154 board in the computer, perform the following steps:

- 1. To discharge any static electricity, hold the wrapped board in one hand while placing your other hand firmly on a metal portion of the computer chassis.
- 2. Carefully remove the antistatic packing material from the board. (We suggest that you save the original packing material in the unlikely event that your board requires servicing in the future.)
- **3.** Hold the board by its edges and do not touch any of the components on the board.
- **4.** Position the board so that the cable connectors are facing the rear of the computer, as shown in Figure 2.

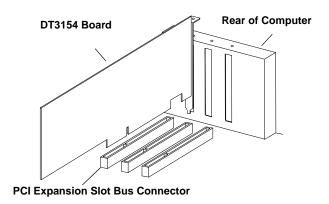


Figure 2: Inserting the DT3154 Board in the Computer

5. Carefully lower the board into the PCI expansion slot using the card guide to properly align the board in the slot. When the bottom of the board contacts the bus connector, gently press down on the board until it clicks into place.

CAUTION:

Do not force the board into place. Moving the board from side to side during installation may damage the bus connector. If you encounter resistance when inserting the board, remove the board and try again.

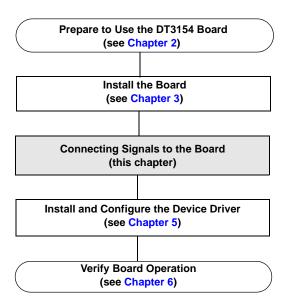
6. Secure the board in place at the rear panel of the system unit using the screw removed from the slot cover.

When you are finished with this procedure, continue by connecting signals to the board. Refer to Chapter 4 starting on page 23.



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WARNING!

Always turn off the power to both your computer and the input device before making these connections. Damage can result if connections are made with the power on.

This chapter describes how to connect one or more video input sources to the DT3154 board. This section assumes that you have purchased an optional EP306 cable.

Connecting Video Signals

To connect signals to connector J1 on the DT3154 board, perform the following steps:

1. After making sure power to the computer is off, push the 15-pin connector of the EP306 cable into the J1 socket at the rear of the DT3154, as shown in Figure 3, and tighten the screws on the connector.

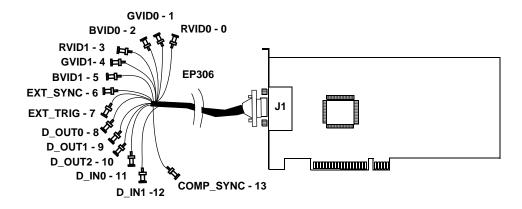


Figure 3: Connecting the EP306 Cable to Connector J1

2. Attach EP306 connector 0 (RVID0) to the video input source's Red Video Out jack or to a monochrome input.

Note: The EP306 attaches to female BNC connectors. If the video out connector on your video input source is a male BNC or an RCA connector, you need to obtain the appropriate adaptor (available at electronic equipment stores).

- **3.** Attach EP306 connector 1 (GVID0) to the video input source's Green Video Out jack or to a monochrome input.
- **4.** Attach EP306 connector 2 (BVID0) to the video input source's Blue Video Out jack or to a monochrome input (if using triple-monochrome mode).
- **5.** Connect an additional video input source, if desired, to EP306 connectors 3 (RVID1), 4 (GVID1), and 5 (BVID1).

Connecting Other Signals

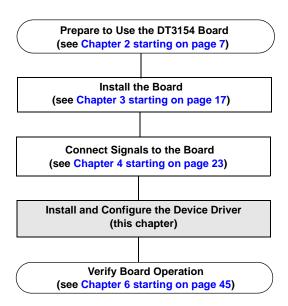
To connect syncs, external trigger sources, or digital I/O signals to the board, perform the following procedure:

- **1.** If you are using an external sync input, attach the external composite sync input to EP306 connector 6.
- 2. If you want the board to provide the sync to the video input source, attach the sync input of the video input source to the output of EP306 connector 13 (COMP_SYNC).
- **3.** If you are using an external trigger source, attach EP306 connector 7 to the output of the external trigger source.
- **4.** If you are using digital outputs, attach EP306 connectors 8, 9, and/or 10, to the external device's digital input jacks.
- **5.** If you are using digital inputs, attach EP306 connectors 11 and/or 12 to the external device's digital output jacks.



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Before Installing the Device Driver

The DT3154 Device Driver is provided to support the DT3154 board in IBM PC-compatible Pentium systems running Windows 98, Windows Me, Windows 2000, or Windows XP. The DT3154 Device Driver is compatible with any application developed using the 32-bit Frame Grabber SDK, which follows the DT-Open Layers Application Programming Interface (API) standards.

Before installing the software, ensure that you have

- Installed Microsoft Windows 98, Windows Me, Windows 2000, or Windows XP,
- Read the file README.TXT in the \DRIVERS\DT3154\Win98 or Win2K directory (if present on the Imaging OMNI CD) for any information not included in this documentation at release time,
- Installed the board, and
- (Optional) Installed the 32-bit Frame Grabber SDK (SP0585).

Installing and Configuring the Device Driver in Windows 98

Perform the following steps to install and configure the device driver under Windows 98:

1. If you have not already done so, power up your computer and any attached peripherals.

Note: On power-up, the PCI bus takes one available interrupt from system resources for the DT3154 board. If any devices are using this interrupt, problems may arise. Verify that no other devices in your system are using the same interrupt that the DT3154 board is using and ensure that PCI interrupts are enabled in your system BIOS.

2. Start Windows 98.

The New Hardware Found dialog box appears. The board is recognized as the DT3154, then a dialog box appears prompting you to restart your system.

Note: In some machines, the DT3154 may not be detected automatically when you start Windows 98. If this should occur, remove any other imaging drivers by using the MACHUNLD.EXE utility (accessed from Start\Programs\Data Translation, Inc), then perform the following procedure:

- a. From the Control Panel, double-click Multimedia.
- b. Double-click System.
- c. Click **Device Manager**.
- d. Click Refresh.

The New Hardware Found wizard appears.

- e. Click Next.
- f. Click Search for best driver for your device, then click Next.

- g. Browse to the **Drivers\DT3154\Win98** directory on the Imaging OMNI CD, then click **OK**.
- h. Click Next.
- i. Click Next.
- j. Click Finish.

A dialog box appears prompting you to restart your system.

- **3.** Remove the CD-ROM from the CD-ROM drive, then click **Yes**. *After the system restarts, a dialog box appears prompting you to configure the driver.*
- 4. Click **OK**, then click **OK**.
- **5.** Click **Add New** to add a DT3154 board. *The DT3154 Installation dialog box appears for the new board.*
- 6. Enter a board name (alias), which can be any name you choose, then click **Add**. The board name is used by supported software, such as DT-Acquire and the Frame Grabber SDK. Only one name (alias) per installed board is allowed.
 - *The DT3154 Configuration dialog box appears.*
- 7. Select **Enable Board** to activate the board. If you want to retain the settings but disable the board (and therefore not use the memory), remove the checkmark next to Enable Board.
- **8.** For **Video Format**, indicate the video format of your video input source: 50 or 60 Hz.
- For Signal Type, click RGB for one RGB input, Triple MONO for three monochrome inputs, or Dual MONO for two monochrome inputs.
- 10. For **Desired Memory Size**, select the amount of contiguous memory (in MB) that you want to allocate in your system to hold the acquired frames. A 60 Hz, 640-by-480 image requires 1.2 MB per frame; a 50 Hz, 768-by-576 image requires 1.7 MB per frame. The actual amount of memory that the device driver can allocate depends on your system resources. It is recommended that you select only as much memory as you need to leave memory for

other devices. Once you enter the desired memory size, the device driver allocates as much memory as possible to match the value you entered; the actual memory size allocated is shown in the **Actual Memory Size** text box when you restart your system.

11. Click Done.

The DT3154 Device Driver Configuration dialog box is redisplayed with the name of the board you just added.

- **12.** Click **Close** to end the DT3154 configuration. *The DT3154 Configuration COMPLETE! dialog box is displayed.*
- 13. Click OK.
- **14.** Click **OK** to restart the system. *The system automatically restarts so that the changes take effect.*

Once you have configured the device driver with the information for your board, verify the operation of your board using the instructions in Chapter 6 starting on page 45.

Installing and Configuring the Device Driver in Windows Me

Perform the following steps to install and configure the device driver under Windows Me:

1. If you have not already done so, power up your computer and any attached peripherals.

Note: On power-up, the PCI bus takes one available interrupt from system resources for the DT3154 board. If any devices are using this interrupt, problems may arise. Verify that no other devices in your system are using the same interrupt that the DT3154 board is using and ensure that PCI interrupts are enabled in your system BIOS.

2. Start Windows Me.

The New Hardware Found dialog box appears. The board is recognized as the DT3154, then a dialog box appears prompting you to restart your system.

Note: In some machines, the DT3154 may not be detected automatically when you start Windows Me. If this should occur, remove any other imaging drivers by using the MACHUNLD.EXE utility (accessed from Start\Programs\Data Translation, Inc), then perform the following procedure:

- a. From the Control Panel, double-click Multimedia.
- b. Double-click **System**.
- c. Click Device Manager.
- d. Click **Refresh**. *The New Hardware Found wizard appears*.
- e. Click Next.
- f. Click Search for best driver for your device, then click Next.

- g. Browse to the **Drivers\DT3154\Win98** directory on the Imaging OMNI CD, then click **OK**.
- h. Click Next.
- i. Click Next.
- Click Finish.

A dialog box appears prompting you to restart your system.

- **3.** Remove the CD-ROM from the CD-ROM drive, then click **Yes**. *After the system restarts, a dialog box appears prompting you to configure the driver.*
- Click OK, then click OK.
- Click Add New to add a DT3154 board.
 The DT3154 Installation dialog box appears for the new board.
- 6. Enter a board name (alias), which can be any name you choose, then click Add. The board name is used by supported software, such as DT-Acquire and the Frame Grabber SDK. Only one name (alias) per installed board is allowed.
 The DT3154 Configuration dialog box appears.
- 7. Select **Enable Board** to activate the board. If you want to retain the settings but disable the board (and therefore not use the memory), remove the checkmark next to Enable Board.
- **8.** For **Video Format**, indicate the video format of your video input source: 50 or 60 Hz.
- **9.** For **Signal Type**, click RGB for one RGB input, Triple MONO for three monochrome inputs, or Dual MONO for two monochrome inputs.
- 10. For **Desired Memory Size**, select the amount of contiguous memory (in MB) that you want to allocate in your system to hold the acquired frames. A 60 Hz, 640-by-480 image requires 1.2 MB per frame; a 50 Hz, 768-by-576 image requires 1.7 MB per frame. The actual amount of memory that the device driver can allocate depends on your system resources. It is recommended that you select only as much memory as you need to leave memory for

other devices. Once you enter the desired memory size, the device driver allocates as much memory as possible to match the value you entered; the actual memory size allocated is shown in the **Actual Memory Size** text box when you restart your system.

11. Click Done.

The DT3154 Device Driver Configuration dialog box is redisplayed with the name of the board you just added.

- **12.** Click **Close** to end the DT3154 configuration. *The DT3154 Configuration COMPLETE! dialog box is displayed.*
- 13. Click OK.
- **14.** Click **OK** to restart the system. *The system automatically restarts so that the changes take effect.*

Once you have configured the device driver with the information for your board, verify the operation of your board using the instructions in Chapter 6 starting on page 45.

Installing and Configuring the Device Driver in Windows 2000

Perform the following steps to install and configure the device driver in Windows 2000:

Note: This procedure assumes that no other MACH I Series drivers (DT3152, DT3152-LS, DT3153, DT3154, DT3155, or DT3157) are installed in your system. If you previously installed a MACH I Series driver, refer to the Data Translation knowledgebase at www.datx.com for information on removing the existing inf file before performing this procedure.

1. If you have not already done so, power up your computer and any attached peripherals.

Note: On power-up, the PCI bus takes one available interrupt from system resources for the DT3154 board. If any devices are using this interrupt, problems may arise. Verify that no other devices in your system are using the same interrupt that the DT3154 board is using and ensure that PCI interrupts are enabled in your system BIOS.

- **2.** Start Windows 2000. The Found New Hardware dialog box appears.
- Click Next.
- 4. Click Search for a suitable driver for my device (recommended), then click Next.
- Click Specify a location and uncheck all other checkboxes, then click Next.

- **6.** Insert the Imaging OMNI CD into the CD-ROM drive.
- 7. Click **Browse**, browse to **x**:**DRIVERS\DT3154\WIN2K** (where *x* is the letter of your CD-ROM drive), and click **Open**.
- **8.** Click **OK**, then click **Next**. *A Digital signature not found message appears.*
- **9.** Click **Yes**. *The files are copied, then the DT3154 Configuration dialog appears.*
- **10.** Click **Add New** to add a DT3154 board to the configuration. *The DT3154 Installation dialog box appears for the new board.*
- **11.** Enter any unique name (or alias) for the DT3154 board, then click **Add**. Only one alias per installed board is allowed. *The DT3154 Configuration dialog box appears*.
- **12.** Select **Enable Board** to activate the board. If you want to retain the settings but disable the board (and therefore not use the memory), remove the checkmark next to Enable Board.
- **13.** Select the **Video Format** as either 50 Hz or 60 Hz.
- 14. For **Desired Memory Size**, select the amount of contiguous memory (in MB) that you want to allocate in your system to hold the acquired frames. A 60 Hz, 640-by-480 image requires 1.2 MB per frame; a 50 Hz, 768-by-576 image requires 1.7 MB per frame. The actual amount of memory that the device driver can allocate depends on your system resources. It is recommended that you select only as much memory as you need to leave memory for other devices. Once you enter the desired memory size, the device driver allocates as much memory as possible to match the value you entered; the actual memory size allocated is shown in the **Actual Memory Size** text box when you restart your system.
- **15.** For **Signal Type**, click RGB for one RGB input, Triple MONO for three monochrome inputs, or Dual MONO for two monochrome inputs.
- Click Done.

The DT3154 Configuration dialog box is redisplayed; you can see the name of the board you just added.

- **17.** Click **Close** to end the DT3154 configuration. *The Changes Saved dialog box appears.*
- 18. Click Finish.
- **19.** Remove the Imaging OMNI CD from the CD-ROM, then click **Yes** to restart the system.

Once you have configured the device driver with the information for your board, verify the operation of your board using the instructions in Chapter 6 starting on page 45.

Installing and Configuring the Device Driver in Windows XP

Perform the following steps to install and configure the device driver in Windows XP:

Note: This procedure assumes that no other MACH I Series drivers (DT3152, DT3152-LS, DT3153, DT3154, DT3155, or DT3157) are installed in your system. If you previously installed a MACH I Series driver, refer to the Data Translation knowledgebase at www.datx.com for information on removing the existing inf file before performing this procedure.

1. If you have not already done so, power up your computer and any attached peripherals.

Note: On power-up, the PCI bus takes one available interrupt from system resources for the DT3154 board. If any devices are using this interrupt, problems may arise. Verify that no other devices in your system are using the same interrupt that the DT3154 board is using and ensure that PCI interrupts are enabled in your system BIOS.

- **2.** Start Windows XP.

 The Found New Hardware dialog box appears.
- 3. Click Next.
- **4.** Click **Install from a list or specific location (advanced)**, then click **Next.**
- 5. Insert the Imaging OMNI CD into the CD-ROM drive.
- 6. Click Search for the best driver in the these locations.

- Click Include this location in the search.
- **8.** Click **Browse**, browse to **x:\DRIVERS\DT3154\WIN2K** (where *x* is the letter of your CD-ROM drive), and click **Next**. *A Hardware Installation dialog box appears*.
- **9.** Click **Continue Anyway**. *The DT3154 Configuration dialog appears.*
- **10.** Click **Add New** to add a DT3154 board to the configuration. *The DT3154 Installation dialog box appears for the new board.*
- **11.** Enter any unique name (or alias) for the DT3154 board, then click **Add**. Only one alias per installed board is allowed. *The DT3154 Configuration dialog box appears*.
- **12.** Select **Enable Board** to activate the board. If you want to retain the settings but disable the board (and therefore not use the memory), remove the checkmark next to Enable Board.
- 13. Select the Video Format as either 50 Hz or 60 Hz.
- 14. For **Desired Memory Size**, select the amount of contiguous memory (in MB) that you want to allocate in your system to hold the acquired frames. A 60 Hz, 640-by-480 image requires 1.2 MB per frame; a 50 Hz, 768-by-576 image requires 1.7 MB per frame. The actual amount of memory that the device driver can allocate depends on your system resources. It is recommended that you select only as much memory as you need to leave memory for other devices. Once you enter the desired memory size, the device driver allocates as much memory as possible to match the value you entered; the actual memory size allocated is shown in the **Actual Memory Size** text box when you restart your system.
- 15. For Signal Type, click RGB for one RGB input, Triple MONO for three monochrome inputs, or Dual MONO for two monochrome inputs.
- Click Done.

The DT3154 Configuration dialog box is redisplayed; you can see the name of the board you just added.

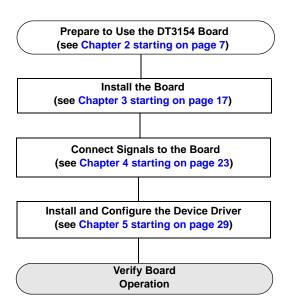
- **17.** Click **Close** to end the DT3154 configuration. *The Changes Saved dialog box appears.*
- 18. Click Finish.
- **19.** Remove the Imaging OMNI CD from the CD-ROM, then click **Yes** to restart the system.

Once you have configured the device driver with the information for your board, verify the operation of your board using the instructions in Chapter 6 starting on page 45.



Verifying Board Operation

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Overview

The DT-Acquire example program provides a quick way to verify that your board is properly installed, that the camera or cameras are properly connected, and that you can acquire images.

DT-Acquire allows you to

- Acquire an image to system memory,
- Display live video in passthru mode,
- Open a previously saved image, and
- Save an acquired image in BMP format.

Note: DT-Acquire works with your display monitor set to 16 colors, 256 colors, or high color (16-bit) only.

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Installing DT-Acquire

To install DT-Acquire, perform the following steps:

- 1. Insert the Imaging OMNI CD into the CD-ROM drive.
- **2.** Click **Start** from the Task Bar, then click **Run**. *The Run dialog box appears*.
- **3.** Enter **x**:\LAUNCH.EXE (where *x* is the letter of your CD-ROM drive).

The Imaging OMNI splash screen appears.

- 4. Click Install Products.
- 5. Click Mach I Series.
- **6.** Click **DT Acquire**.
- 7. Click Next.

The default installation destination folder is displayed.

8. Change the destination folder or accept the default folder, then click **Next**.

The default installation program folder is displayed.

9. Change the program folder or accept the default folder, then click **Next**.

The files are copied to the specified folders.

- 10. Click Finish.
- 11. Click Main Menu.
- 12. Click Exit.

Using DT-Acquire

To start DT-Acquire, click the **DT-Acquire** icon in the Data Translation, Inc\DT-Acquire\ program group. The main menu is displayed.

The following subsections describe how to verify that the DT3154 board is working using DT-Acquire. If you have any trouble performing any of these operations, refer to the *DT3154 User's Manual*.

Synchronously Acquiring a Single Frame to Memory

To synchronously acquire a single frame to memory, perform the following steps:

- 1. Connect video input signals to channel 0 (RVID0, GVID0, and BVID0).
- **2.** From the DT-Acquire main menu, click **Setup**, then click **Select Device**.
- **3.** Select the alias that you gave to the DT3154 board when you configured the device driver, then click **OK**.
- **4.** To get started, leave the remainder of the settings under **Setup** at their default values.
- 5. From the DT-Acquire main menu, click **Run**, then **Single Frame Acquire!**.
 - A single frame is acquired (synchronously) and displayed on the screen.
- **6.** To acquire another frame, repeat step 5.
- 7. If you wish, modify the parameters available for the DT3154 board by clicking the desired parameter under **Setup** and changing the associated values, then repeat step 5.

Note: Most setup parameters for the Select Input Source parameter apply to the input channel (0 or 1). However, the Programmable A/D parameter applies to the individual signals that correspond to the input channel. For the Programmable A/D parameter only, specify 0 to select RVID0, 1 to select GVID0, 2 to select BVID1, 3 to select RVID1, 4 to select GVID1, or 5 to select BVID1.

If you change the video input channel to channel 1, ensure that you connect the video input signals to signals RVID1, GVID1, and BVID1.

- **8.** If you wish, save the graphic by clicking **File** from the DT-Acquire main menu, then **Save Graphic File**.
- When you are finished with this utility, from the DT-Acquire main menu, click Setup, and Close Device. Then, close the application.

Performing a Passthru Operation

To capture live images and display them (without saving the images), perform the following steps:

- Connect video input signals to channel 0 (RVID0, GVID0, and BVID0).
- From the DT-Acquire main menu, click Setup, then click Select Device. Leave the remainder of the settings under Setup at their default values.
- **3.** Select the alias that you gave to the DT3154 board when you configured the device driver, then click **OK**.

Live video is asynchronously acquired to display memory, converted to bitmap format, and displayed on the screen.

- **5.** To stop the asynchronous passthru operation, click **Run**, then **Stop Pass Thru!** from the DT-Acquire main menu.
- **6.** If you wish, modify the parameters available for the DT3154 board by clicking the desired parameter under **Setup** and changing the associated values, then repeat steps 4 and 5.

Note: The value for the Select Input Source parameter selects both the signal (red, green, and/or blue) to which the Programmable A/D parameter applies, and the input channel (0 or 1) to which most other setup parameters apply.

If you change the video input channel, ensure that you connect the video input signals to signals RVID1, GVID1, and BVID1.

7. When you are finished with this utility, from the DT-Acquire main menu, click **Setup**, and **Close Device**. Then, close the application.

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