

## License Plate Recognition

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# Chapter 1

## Namespace Index

### 1.1 Namespace List

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# Class Index

### 2.1 Class List

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### 3.1 File List

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## Chapter 4

# Namespace Documentation

### 4.1 cva Namespace Reference

#### Namespaces

- [lpr](#)

### 4.2 cva::lpr Namespace Reference

#### Classes

- class [LicensePlateDecoder](#)  
*Abstract class for DL-based license plate decoder.*
- class [Version](#)  
*A version of the library.*

#### Enumerations

- enum [BackendType](#) { [BackendType::CPU](#), [BackendType::GPU](#) }  
*Possible hardware backends that can be used for computation.*
- enum [WaitResult](#) { [WaitResult::COMPLETED](#), [WaitResult::TIMED\\_OUT](#) }  
*Result of an asynchronous wait function.*

#### Functions

- [Version version](#) ()  
*Returns the version of the library.*

## 4.2.1 Enumeration Type Documentation

### 4.2.1.1 enum `cva::lpr::BackendType` [`strong`]

Possible hardware backends that can be used for computation.

Enumerator

***CPU***

***GPU***

### 4.2.1.2 enum `cva::lpr::WaitResult` [`strong`]

Result of an asynchronous wait function.

Enumerator

***COMPLETED***

***TIMED\_OUT***

## 4.2.2 Function Documentation

### 4.2.2.1 Version `cva::lpr::version ( )`

Returns the version of the library.

## Chapter 5

# Class Documentation

### 5.1 `cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder` Class Reference

Abstract class for DL-based license plate decoder.

```
#include <lpr.hpp>
```

#### Public Member Functions

- virtual `std::string decode` (`const cv::Mat &plate`)=0  
*Decode the image containing only license plate.*
- virtual void `createAsyncRequests` (`size_t nrequests`)=0  
*Creates defined number of asynchronous requests.*
- virtual void `startAsyncDecode` (`const cv::Mat &plate`)=0  
*Starts the image decoding asynchronously.*
- virtual `WaitResult waitAsync` (`int64_t millis_timeout`)=0  
*Waits for decoding to end. Blocks until specified millis\_timeout has elapsed or the decoding ends, whichever comes first.*
- virtual `std::string fetchAsyncDecodeResult` ()=0  
*Gets decoding result.*
- virtual `~LicensePlateDecoder` ()=default  
*A virtual destructor for the abstract class.*

#### Static Public Member Functions

- static `std::unique_ptr< LicensePlateDecoder > create` (`const std::string &model_file`, `const std::string &weights_file`, `const std::string &dict_file`, `BackendType backend_type=BackendType::CPU`)  
*Create an instance of the license plate decoder.*

#### 5.1.1 Detailed Description

Abstract class for DL-based license plate decoder.

### 5.1.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

5.1.2.1 `virtual cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder::~LicensePlateDecoder ( ) [virtual],[default]`

A virtual destructor for the abstract class.

### 5.1.3 Member Function Documentation

5.1.3.1 `static std::unique_ptr<LicensePlateDecoder> cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder::create ( const std::string & model_file, const std::string & weights_file, const std::string & dict_file, BackendType backend_type = BackendType::CPU ) [static]`

Create an instance of the license plate decoder.

#### Parameters

in	<i>model_file</i>	File with network topology in XML format.
in	<i>weights_file</i>	Binary file with network weights.
in	<i>dict_file</i>	Dictionary containing outputs of network mapping to alphanumeric characters. Each line of this file must contain class ID and the corresponding character separated by space.
in	<i>backend_type</i>	Device to compute classification on

#### Returns

Pointer to new object.

#### Examples:

[main.cpp](#).

5.1.3.2 `virtual void cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder::createAsyncRequests ( size_t nrequests ) [pure virtual]`

Creates defined number of asynchronous requests.

#### Parameters

in	<i>nrequests</i>	number of supported asynchronous requests
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5.1.3.3 `virtual std::string cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder::decode ( const cv::Mat & plate ) [pure virtual]`

Decode the image containing only license plate.

#### Parameters

in	<i>plate</i>	Image to be processed. It should be converted to appropriate color space before calling this function. However, image is rescaled inside according to network it uses.
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**Returns**

Label, i.e. string containing Chinese province and alphanumeric string, e.g. <Beijing>FA9152 or WJ<Jiangsu>02009.

**Examples:**

[main.cpp](#).

**5.1.3.4** `virtual std::string cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder::fetchAsyncDecodeResult ( ) [pure virtual]`

Gets decoding result.

**Returns**

Label, i.e. string containing Chinese province and alphanumeric string, e.g. <Beijing>FA9152 or WJ<Jiangsu>02009.

**5.1.3.5** `virtual void cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder::startAsyncDecode ( const cv::Mat & plate ) [pure virtual]`

Starts the image decoding asynchronously.

**Parameters**

<i>in</i>	<i>plate</i>	Image to be processed. It should be converted to appropriate color space before calling this function. However, image is rescaled inside according to network it uses.
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**5.1.3.6** `virtual WaitResult cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder::waitAsync ( int64_t millis_timeout ) [pure virtual]`

Waits for decoding to end. Blocks until specified *millis\_timeout* has elapsed or the decoding ends, whichever comes first.

**Parameters**

<i>in</i>	<i>millis_timeout</i>	Maximum duration in milliseconds to block for, or -1 for an unlimited duration.
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**Returns**

[WaitResult::COMPLETED](#) if the decoding has ended, [WaitResult::TIMED\\_OUT](#) otherwise.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- [lpr.hpp](#)

## 5.2 cva::lpr::Version Class Reference

A version of the library.

```
#include <lpr.hpp>
```

## Public Member Functions

- [Version](#) (std::uint32\_t [major](#)=0, std::uint32\_t [minor](#)=0, std::uint32\_t [patch](#)=0)
- std::uint32\_t [major](#) () const  
*Get major number of the version.*
- std::uint32\_t [minor](#) () const  
*Get minor number of the version.*
- std::uint32\_t [patch](#) () const  
*Get patch number of the version.*
- std::string [toString](#) () const  
*Get version string: major.minor.revision.*

### 5.2.1 Detailed Description

A version of the library.

### 5.2.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

**5.2.2.1** `cva::lpr::Version::Version ( std::uint32_t major = 0, std::uint32_t minor = 0, std::uint32_t patch = 0 )` `[inline]`,  
`[explicit]`

### 5.2.3 Member Function Documentation

**5.2.3.1** `std::uint32_t cva::lpr::Version::major ( ) const` `[inline]`

Get major number of the version.

**5.2.3.2** `std::uint32_t cva::lpr::Version::minor ( ) const` `[inline]`

Get minor number of the version.

**5.2.3.3** `std::uint32_t cva::lpr::Version::patch ( ) const` `[inline]`

Get patch number of the version.

**5.2.3.4** `std::string cva::lpr::Version::toString ( ) const` `[inline]`

Get version string: major.minor.revision.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- [lpr.hpp](#)



## Chapter 6

# File Documentation

### 6.1 example.dox File Reference

### 6.2 lpr.hpp File Reference

```
#include <opencv2/core/core.hpp>
#include <memory>
#include <string>
```

#### Classes

- class [cva::lpr::Version](#)  
*A version of the library.*
- class [cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder](#)  
*Abstract class for DL-based license plate decoder.*

#### Namespaces

- [cva](#)
- [cva::lpr](#)

#### Macros

- `#define` [CVA\\_LPR\\_EXPORT](#)

#### Enumerations

- enum [cva::lpr::BackendType](#) { [cva::lpr::BackendType::CPU](#), [cva::lpr::BackendType::GPU](#) }  
*Possible hardware backends that can be used for computation.*
- enum [cva::lpr::WaitResult](#) { [cva::lpr::WaitResult::COMPLETED](#), [cva::lpr::WaitResult::TIMED\\_OUT](#) }  
*Result of an asynchronous wait function.*

## Functions

- Version `cva::lpr::version` ()  
*Returns the version of the library.*

## 6.2.1 Macro Definition Documentation

### 6.2.1.1 `#define CVA_LPR_EXPORT`

## Chapter 7

# Example Documentation

### 7.1 main.cpp

```
/*
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    stated in the License.
*/

#include <opencv2/imgproc/imgproc.hpp>
#include <opencv2/core/core.hpp>
#include <opencv2/highgui/highgui.hpp>

#include <string>
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
#include <sstream>
#include <memory>

#include <cva/lpr/lpr.hpp>

int main(int argc, char** argv)
{
    const std::string keys =
        "{h help usage ?      |      | print this message      }"
        "{i image                |      | path to image            }"
        "{w weights               |      | weights file             }"
        "{m model                 |      | model file               }"
        "{d dict                  |      | dictionary                }"
        "{b backend               | CPU | CPU or GPU              }";

    cv::CommandLineParser parser(argc, argv, keys.c_str());
    bool need_help = parser.get<bool>("help");
    if (need_help)
    {
        parser.printMessage();
        return 0;
    }

    std::string path_to_image = parser.get<std::string>("image");
    if (path_to_image.empty())
    {
        std::cout << "ERROR: Specify image!" << std::endl;
        parser.printMessage();
        return -1;
    }

    cv::Mat input_image;
    try
```

```

{
    input_image = cv::imread(path_to_image);
    cv::cvtColor(input_image, input_image, cv::COLOR_BGR2RGB);
}
catch (cv::Exception&)
{
    std::cout << "Could not read the image: " << path_to_image << std::endl;
    return -1;
}

std::string weights_file = parser.get<std::string>("weights");
if (weights_file.empty())
{
    std::cout << "Specify path to weights file!" << std::endl;
    parser.printMessage();
    return -1;
}

std::string model_file = parser.get<std::string>("model");
if (model_file.empty())
{
    std::cout << "Specify path to model file" << std::endl;
    parser.printMessage();
    return -1;
}

std::string dict_file = parser.get<std::string>("dict");
if (dict_file.empty())
{
    std::cout << "Specify path to dictionary file" << std::endl;
    parser.printMessage();
    return -1;
}

std::string backend = parser.get<std::string>("backend");
if ("CPU" != backend && "GPU" != backend)
{
    std::cout << "Possible options for backend are CPU or GPU" << std::endl;
    parser.printMessage();
    return -1;
}

std::unique_ptr<cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder> decoder;
try
{
    decoder = cva::lpr::LicensePlateDecoder::create(
        model_file, weights_file, dict_file, "CPU" == backend ?
        cva::lpr::BackendType::CPU :
        cva::lpr::BackendType::GPU);
}
catch (std::exception& e)
{
    std::cout << "Exception caught: Could not create decoder (" << e.what() << ")" << std::endl;
    return -1;
}

std::string label;
try
{
    label = decoder->decode(input_image);
}
catch (std::exception& e)
{
    std::cout << "Exception caught: Could not decode license plate (" << e.what() << ")" << std::endl;
    return -1;
}

std::cout << "Decoded plate: " << label << std::endl;
return 0;
}

```