

# Hardware Development Manual

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## **Watson Mini** **Fingerprint Scanner (SAP45)**

**Version 1.3**



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## 1. Introduction



**Figure 1:** Watson Mini

Watson Mini is a USB fingerprint scanner based on the patented LES technology. It can capture single finger flat/roll print, and 2 finger flat prints. The scanner is designed to be durable to vibration impacts and water damage, and can capture images from both wet and dry fingers. It is FBI certified based on the (IAFIS IQS Appendix F) specification. Watson Mini can be used in password based security systems to improve the security level. The scanner is accompanied with the SDK, allowing reliable and high speed fingerprint registration and identification, based on the high performance image processing algorithms to capture and process fingerprint images for identification.

## 2. Operational Modes for Watson Mini

Watson Mini can operate in two modes namely Embedded and Desktop mode. Figure 2 and 3 elaborates the components in each of the modes. At a superficial level Watson Mini consists of 4 parts under each mode of operation namely,

- (1) LE Sensor : Light Emitting Sensor
- (2) Watson Mini Case
- (3) Watson Mini USB Cable



Figure 2: Hardware setup for desktop mode operation

### 3. Block diagram

Furthermore, Figure 4 and 5 show the block diagram of Watson Mini scanner under each of the modes of operation. The USB controller is connected either to the target board or the desktop, for each of the modes of operation.

#### 3.1. Desktop mode (windows / Linux)

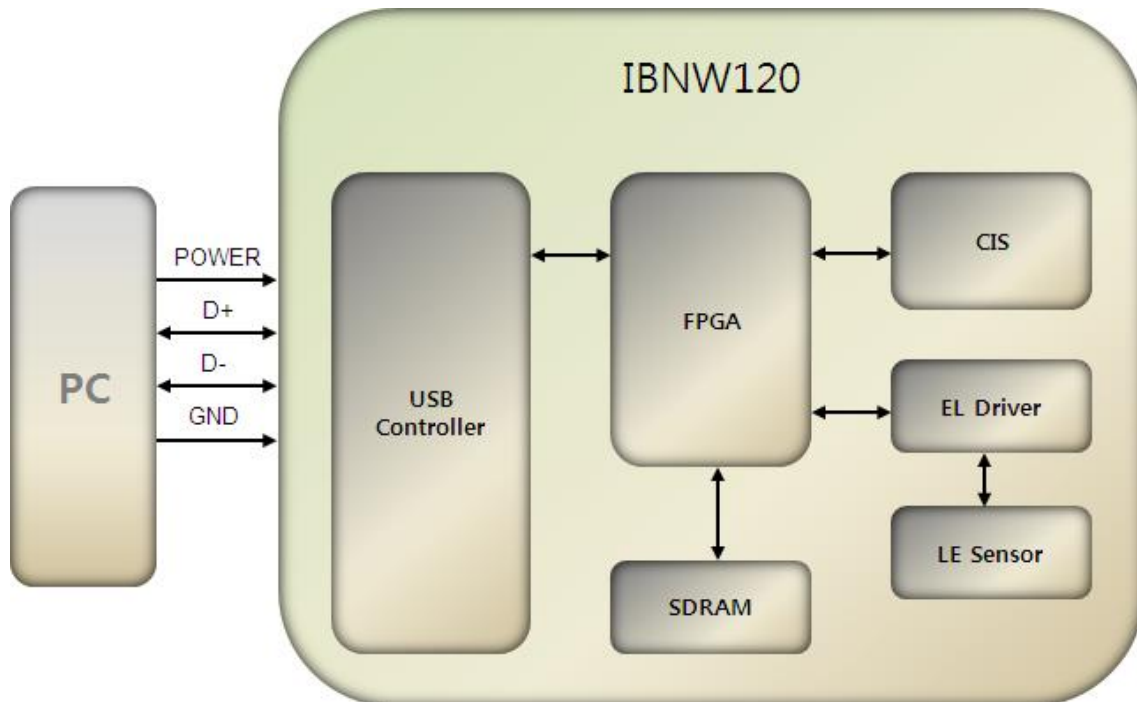


Figure 3: Block Diagram for Desktop mode of operation

## 4. Hardware connection setup and Operational Instructions

This section explains the hardware setup and operational instructions for each of the modes.

### 4.1. Desktop mode (Windows/Linux)



Figure 4: Watson Mini with USB cable for Desktop mode

Table 1: Watson Mini cable Pin Description

Pin No.	Type	Description
1	V_BUS	+5Vdc
2	USB	D+
3	USB	D-
4	G	GND
5	-	NC
6	G	Shield GND

#### 4.1.1. Steps to operate in Desktop mode

1. Install Watson Mini SDK if it has not been installed yet.
2. Connect Watson Mini to the Desktop using the USB cable
3. Watson Mini scanner is ready to be used with the SDK program



## 5. USB Scanner Requirements

### 5.1. Supported OS driver

Operating System	Version	Remarks
Windows	XP	
	VISTA	
	7	
Linux	Kernel 2.6	

### 5.2. Recommended specification for PC

Section	Spec.	Remarks
CPU	Pentium4 - 2.0GHz or higher	
Memory	512 RAM or higher	
USB	USB 2.0	

### 5.3. Minimum specification for PC

Section	Spec.	Remarks
CPU	Pentium4 - 1.0GHz or higher	
Memory	256RAM or higher	
USB	USB 2.0	

## 6. Specifications

### 6.1. Hardware Specification

Section		Spec.	Remarks
IBNW120	Interface	USB 2.0	
	Frames	15 FPS	
	Power	USB Level 4.40V ~ 5.25V	
	Static Discharge	IEC61000-4-2 Air Discharge : $\pm 15\text{kV}$ Contact Discharge : $\pm 8\text{kV}$	
	Sensor Type	Light Emitting Sensor (LES)	
	Resolution	500PPI	
	Capture area	1.6" x 1.5"	
	Image Size	800 x 750 pixels	
Product Weight		Less than 200 grams	

### 6.2. Software Specification

Section		Spec.	Remarks
FBI Certifications		Appendix F Mobile ID IQS SAP45	
API Interface		Capture Two finger	
		Capture roll image	
Supported Operating System		Windows XP, Windows 7, Vista, Linux	

### 6.3. Operating Weather Conditions

Section		Spec.	Remarks
Operating Temperature		-20°C ~ 60°C	
Humidity		30 ~ 85 %RH < 40°C Non-condensing	
Hazardous Material		RoHS Compliant	
Storage Temperature		-30°C ~ 80°C	

**6.4. Electrical DC Characteristics (VDD = 5Vdc, Top = 25°C)**

Section	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Power Supply Voltage (VBUS)	4.5		5.5	V
Full Scanning	-	-	300	mA
Scanner in Sleep Mode	-	-	2	mA
USB only (Driver connection)			40	mA
On/Off VIH (LVTTL)	2			V
On/Off VIL (LVTTL)		0.8		V
On/Off MAX (LVTTL)			3.6	V
D+ and D-	USB			

## **7. Features**

### **7.1. Hardware Features**

- **Watson Mini uses high speed internal FPGA**
- **The verification of compatiablity and interoperability based on USB I/F certification**
  - It captures and transfers a fingerprint image most effectively using USB 2.0 interface
  - It supports USB 2.0 Plug and play

### **7.2. Software Features**

- **It captures single flat, single rolled, and two flat fingerprints**
- **High security level**
  - It distinguishes between real and fake fingerprint
  - U.S patented Contact Light Emitting Sensor
- **High image quality**
  - FBI Appendix F Mobile ID IQS SAP45 certification
- **Automatic fingerprint capture**
- **SDK**
  - Aiding Windows & Linux application development
  - Languages supported: Visual Basic, Visual C++, .Net

## **8. Applications**

- Immigration system
- Electronic ID
- Electronic passport

## 9. Mechanical Design Specifications

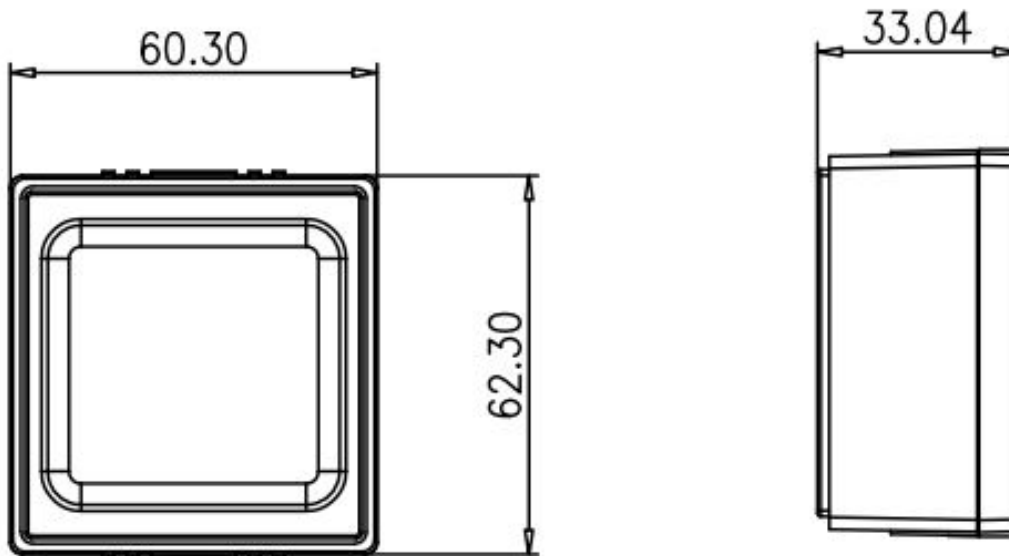


Figure 5: (From top to bottom and left to right) Illustrating Top view and Lateral view in sequence for Watson Mini scanner

- All dimensions are in mm.
- Drawing is not to scale.

## 10. Frequently Asked Questions

### ▪ Product is not working at all

- Install driver again and connect the USB Scanner to PC and Check 'Device Manager', if the driver has installed correctly
- If the driver is not listed under 'Device Manager' even though you installed the driver, then connect the USB Scanner to other USB port and check for the driver in 'Device Manager'. If you still don't see the driver listed under 'Device Manager', please contact our customer service

### ▪ Driver has been installed and listed in 'Device Manager' but, the fingerprint image is not seen during capture

- Check for the image after placing the finger correctly on the sensor and the metal frame. The finger must be in contact with both the sensor capture area and the metal frame as shown in Figure 12. Please refer to Table 4 for correct finger positioning on the sensor
- Please contact our customer service, if you cannot see the fingerprint image even though the finger is placed correctly

### ▪ Correct fingerprint placement

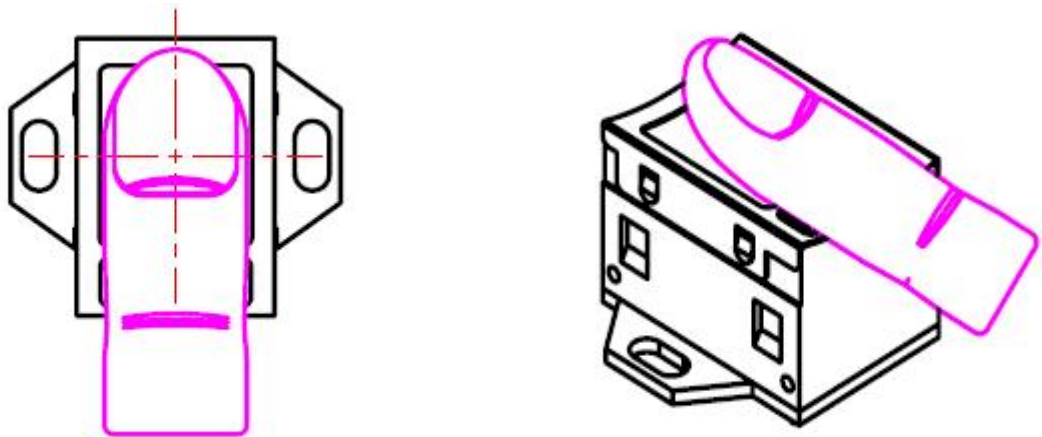
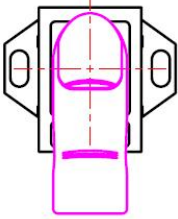
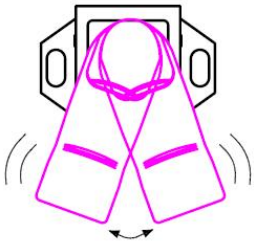
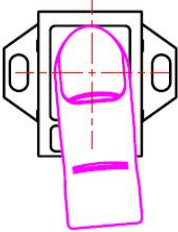
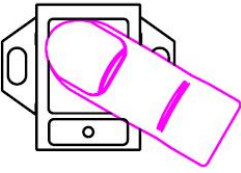
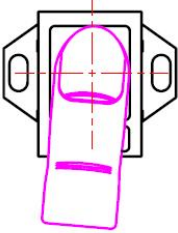
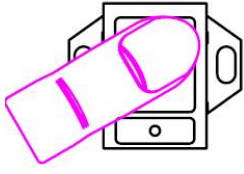
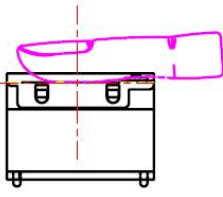
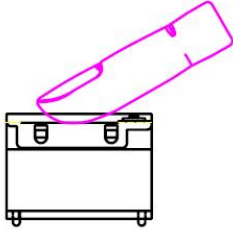
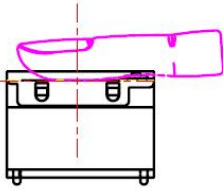
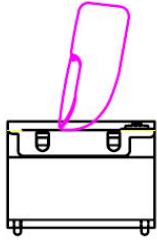


Figure 6: Illustration for correct placement of the finger on the scanner

- Place the finger on the sensor as shown in Figure 12
- Place the finger softly on the sensor and do not apply too much pressure

Table 2: Illustration of Finger positioning on the scanner

Section	Correct	Incorrect
Raked finger		
Rotated finger ( $\pm 30^\circ$ )		
		
Finger contact		
		

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- **Can wet and greasy finger be identified?**

- Wet and greasy fingers can distort fingerprint patterns a little bit but, IBK algorithm can recover this distortion
- However, if a finger is too wet or too dirty, it interferes with finger capture so please wipe the sweat and oil using dry cloth

- **Which operating systems are supported?**

- Windows XP and higher, Linux, and Android are supported

- **Can USB cable extender be used in the Desktop mode?**

- Yes, but the entire length of the USB cable after extension shall not be longer than 5m



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