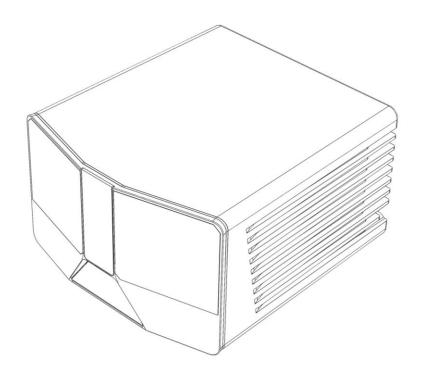


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ACRONYMS

Table 1. Acronyms

ACRONYM	DESCRIPTION
AC/DC	Alternating Current / Direct Current
Al	Artificial Intelligence
API	Application Programming Interface
CCD	Charge-Coupled Device
CMOS	Complementary Metal-Oxide Semiconductor
DMD	Digital Micromirror Device
DOLP	Degree Of Linear Polarization
FOV	Field Of View
IP	Internet Protocol
IPV4	Internet Protocol Version 4
IR	InfraRed
LIDAR	Light Detection And Ranging
LWIR	Long-Wave Infrared
MEMS	Micro Electro Mechanical System / Sensor
MTU	Maximum Transmission Unit
NIC	Network Interface Card
NIR	Near InfraRed
RGB	Red-Green-Blue
RTSP	Real Time Streaming Protocol
SNR	Signal-to-Noise Ratio
SW	S oft W are
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
TOF	Time Of Flight
ТОТ	Time Over Threshold
UDP	User Datagram Protocol
VIS	VIS ible



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DEFINITIONS

Table 2. Definitions

TERM	DESCRIPTION
Data fusion	Data fusion is the process of integrating multiple data sources to produce more consistent, accurate, and useful information than that provided by any individual data source.
DOLP	Measure of the amount of linearly polarized light. The larger the DOLP, the clearer the linear polarization state.
Hit	A hit is a point at which the laser beam pulse reaches an object that reflects it to the LIDAR.
Perception	Machine perception is the capability of a system to interpret data similarly to humans.
TOF	Elapsed time between light events. In the case of L3CAM, TOF is the elapsed time a pulse travels from the laser source, backscatters on a target and comes back to the detector. Thus, it is a direct measure of the distance to the target.
ТОТ	The elapsed time that the voltage signal caused by an incoming pulse on the photodetector is above a threshold level. Thus, it is a measure of the total energy received since the larger the TOT, the higher the intensity.



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RD 2	GenlCam standards	European machine vision	NA	
		association web page.		



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1 L3CAM DESCRIPTION

1.1 OVERVIEW

The L3CAM is a multimodal sensor composed essentially of a solid-state LIDAR sensor and up to 3 additional imaging modes (RGB, thermal and/or polarimetric).

The LIDAR system is a patented MEMS-based scanning technology that combines high-resolution 3D imaging, real-time frame rate, and long-range. The most suitable combination for applications related to autonomous vehicles, security, object detection, situational awareness and mapping.

Critical applications, however, require more than a single "eye" to achieve high-reliability levels once the data is processed. This is where the additional imaging modes play a significant role.

The data from the different sensors can be integrated through data fusion algorithms to provide more consistent, accurate and useful information about the environment.

On top of the processing chain, at the higher abstraction level, L3CAM integrates state-of-the-art perception algorithms to perform objects recognition.

L3CAM offers the all in a single, compact and cost-effective device.

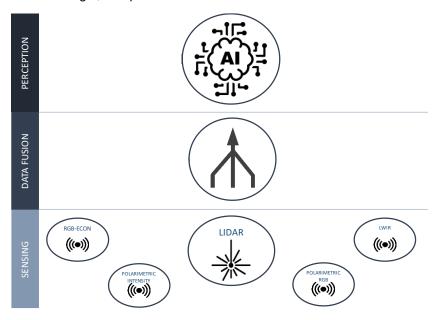


Figure 1. Components and functions of L3CAM.





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1.2 KEY FEATURES

1.2.1 Solid-state LIDAR

The L3CAM LIDAR sensor is a solid-state device without mechanical moving parts for scanning the environment or large embodiments. Its optomechanical design is based on a MEMS scanner which steers a pulsed IR fibre laser beam towards targets within the FOV of the system and a receptor that gathers the backscattered light to resolve the distance to them from its TOF – time the pulse is travelling from the LIDAR source to the object and backscatters to the detector. This subdivision of the sensor can be appreciated in the following figure.

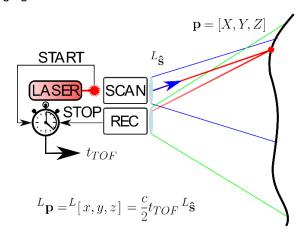


Figure 2. General scheme of the pulsed solid-state MEMS-based L3CAM LIDAR.

Using a MEMS scanner enables reaching high output frame rates (~10 Hz) as well as high-resolution Point Clouds with a large point density. The L3CAM LIDAR offers a rectangular FOV, similar to conventional cameras, by using a raster scan that provides great precision, accuracy and angular resolution in both horizontal and vertical scanning directions (<0.1°). The FOV is cropped to avoid non-linearities in the changes of lines.

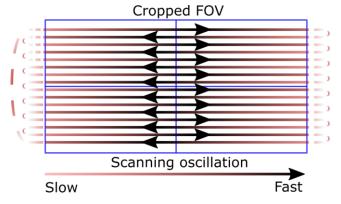


Figure 3. MEMS raster scan and its associated FOV.

Together with the solid-state design, the L3CAM LIDAR sensor offers a patented solar background suppression that enhances its detectivity, thus enlarging its measurement range, by improving the SNR.





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It does not only become L3CAM LIDAR robust to sunlight but also self-immune to other devices situated simultaneously together in the same environment. Hence, it is possible to use an array of L3CAM devices for covering a wider FOV without the risk of cross-talking in the union.

Moreover, the L3CAM LIDAR sensor is capable of gathering up to 4 different back-reflected pulses in a single scanning direction because the laser beam slightly broadens as long as it propagates through space due to its divergence (~0.1°). Consequently, a portion of the total emitted energy might back-reflect from either a tiny object or at the contour of a bulky one whereas the remaining one might keep travelling towards further targets producing multiple reflections with different back-reflected intensities measured with the TOT of the measured peak, as Figure 4 demonstrates below.

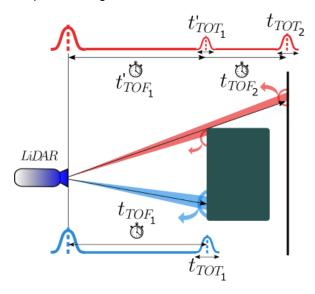


Figure 4. Multiple back-reflected hits example whilst scanning a bulky object.

To summarize, the L3CAM LIDAR sensor offers a high-end imaging performance thanks to the high resolution provided by the MEMS scanner and the enhanced range detectivity by the patented background suppression, resulting in dense output Point Clouds with up to 4 hits.

1.2.2 Imaging modes

Apart from the LIDAR sensor, the L3CAM device provides additional imaging modes that are complementary between them. In such a way, the L3CAM device offers information from different natures and working principles which are referred to as imaging modes. Obtaining information from different imaging modes and sensors is crucial for improving the overall performance and reliability of L3CAM.

Up to date, L3CAM versions can be mounted with up to 3 complementary passive imaging modes:

1.2.2.1 RGB or colour

The conventional colour camera senses the colour information of the environment using a CCD or a CMOS sensor with a Bayer filter (Figure 5). This imaging mode senses the amount of light, thus intensity, in the VIS domain (400 – 700 nm) of the spectrum.





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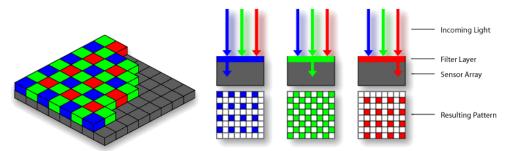


Figure 5. Bayer filter mounted on an imaging sensor.

Image from https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:BayerPatternFiltration.png

The high-resolution colour images provided by this imaging mode mimic human eye perception, hence the importance of this mode for AI perception and assisted computer visual applications.

1.2.2.2 Polarimetric mono

Polarization is the vectorial property of light related to the geometrical orientation of the transverse wave's oscillations, which is perpendicular to its direction of motion. Light can be unpolarized (radiation from many light sources like the sun) or either linearly, circularly or elliptically polarized. Polarizers are materials that let a certain polarization state pass through, thus they act as filters. Hence, polarimetric cameras sense the polarization state of light using combinations of orthogonal polarizers. In particular, the L3CAM's polarimetric mono camera uses an array of micro-polarizers set as a Bayer filter for sensing four different polarization states in the VIS and slightly in the NIR (>780 nm) domain at once, as Figure 6 presents.

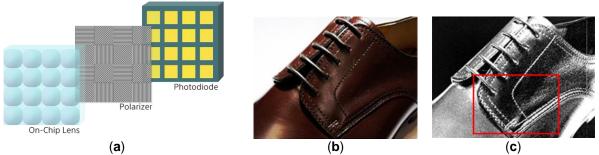


Figure 6. Polarimetric imaging examples.

(a) Microscopic structure of the Sony IMX264MZR polarsens sensor. (b) Conventional colour image.
 (c) Polarimetric image representing the Degree Of Linear Polarization (DOLP) that enhances contrast.
 Images from https://www.sony-semicon.co.jp/e/products/IS/industry/technology/polarization.html.

Polarization is imperceptible for human vision but many animals are sensitive to this light's property because it helps to distinguish between materials. Usually, metals and some artificial materials that keep polarization or polarize in a certain state, clearly differentiate from natural objects that depolarize light. Thus, this imaging mode provides additional contrast of the environment in high resolution as well.

1.2.2.3 Polarimetric colour

Whereas the previous imaging mode senses the total amount of light with a certain polarization state in the whole VIS domain, polarimetric colour cameras are capable of also splitting such information in colours. They combine the micro-polarizers array with a Bayer filter for obtaining the polarization state at the three-primary colour RGB wavelengths as Figure 7 depicts below.





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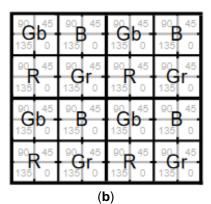


Figure 7. Scheme of the microscopic filter structure of the Sony polarsens sensors. (a) Polarimetric mono IMX264MZR. (b) Polarimetric colour IMX264MYR.

In line with the above imaging mode, this one not only provides polarization information to the overall perception but also colour information at once from a unique sensor.

1.2.2.4 LWIR or thermal

Contrary to all the previous imaging modes that work in the VIS and NIR domain, LWIR imaging mode is sensitive to the long-wave IR wavelengths $(7-14\,\mu\text{m})$. Consequently, this imaging mode provides thermal information about the environment. Temperature, besides being complementary, offers robustness to lighting conditions and to challenging environments like fog, smoke, rain and dust for example. Firstly, temperature variations in the LWIR range are extremely slow compared to varying illumination conditions and it does not require external illumination since objects always radiate in the LWIR domain. Secondly, scattering media responsible for reducing visibility interacts differently with the LWIR wavelengths than with the VIS and NIR ones due to particle size.





Figure 8. Examples of outdoor LWIR thermal images.

Hence, this imaging mode is robust to external conditions, it does not even need external illumination, and to hazardous conditions where VIS and NIR sensors might fail to work properly.

1.2.3 Data fusion and embedded processing (optional features)

The L3CAM device optionally offers data from all its available sensors precisely and accurately fused, what is called congruent data fusion, according to the acquired product version. This is thanks to an industry-leading multisensory intrinsic calibration and the mechanical robustness and embeddedness of





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the device. This novel multimodal calibration process yields low parallax error that outperforms the state-of-the-art data fusion devices for all the available imaging modes.

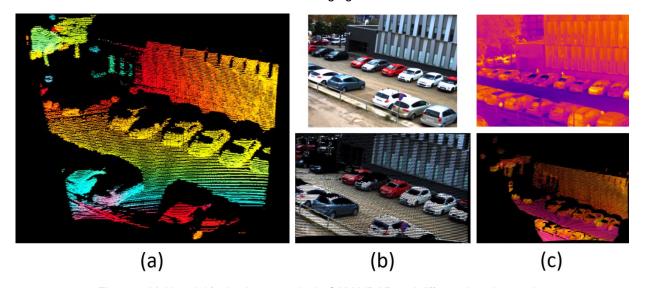


Figure 9. Multimodal fusion between the L3CAM LIDAR and different imaging modes.

(a) Original Point Cloud coloured with distance. (b) Colour and (c) Thermal image with the corresponding fused Point Cloud.

Thanks to its powerful embedded processing unit, the L3CAM device is capable of offering this congruent data fusion in real-time although it can also be computed offline. This unit synchronously gathers data from all sensors with 10 ns high-resolution timestamps and short time discrepancy. Moreover, depending on the product version, the L3CAM software incorporates advanced and accelerated AI perception algorithms for real-time object detection and tracking that benefit from the congruent data fusion for improving its overall performance and reducing the rate of false alarms.



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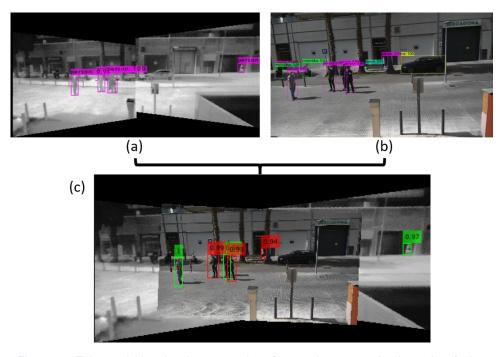


Figure 10. Enhanced AI pedestrian perception of an outdoor scene thanks to data fusion.

(a) Perception on a panoramic thermal image. (b) Perception on a colour image. (c) Perception on a colour + thermal image where the colour of the bounding boxes determines which sensor provides greater detection confidence: (green) thermal detections and (red) colour detections.

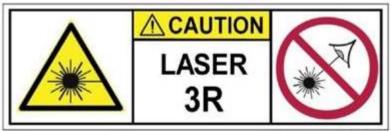


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2 GETTING STARTED

2.1 SAFETY WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS

The L3CAM product fulfills the class 3R classification according to the requirements of IEC 60825-1: 2014 / 2007 (Safety of Laser Products).



IEC 1072/14

WARNING:

"DANGER - Laser Radiation - Do Not Stare Into Beam or View Directly With Optical Instruments, for example, eye loupes, magnifiers, microscopes or binoculars".

The light source from this sensor emits invisible laser radiation. Avoid direct exposure to the laser light source.

2.2 LIST OF MATERIALS

The following items are delivered with the purchase of L3CAM:

- L3CAM multimodal sensor.
- Connection cable.
- AC/DC converter.
- SW integration library.
- User guide.

2.3 SYSTEM SETUP

Hereinafter we describe the steps required to set up L3CAM, connect it to the system host and configure the network.

2.3.1 System connection

The L3CAM cable to connect the multimodal sensor to the host has a custom connector on the L3CAM side and an RJ45 connector and a power connector on the host side.

The connection of the system is described in the following figures.





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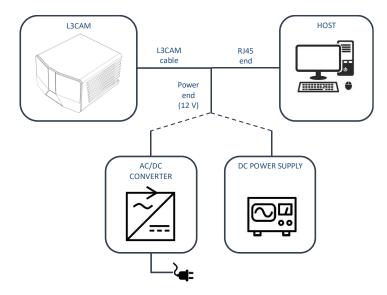


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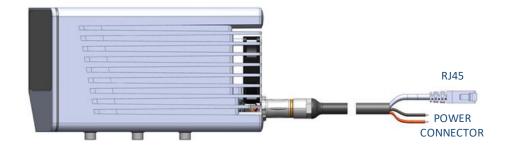


Figure 12. L3CAM side view.

2.3.2 Windows host configuration

To configure the IP address of the device, go to control panel > Network and internet > Network connections:

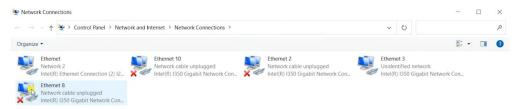


Figure 13. Windows network connections.

Select the NIC where the L3CAM is connected, right-click and open the properties window:





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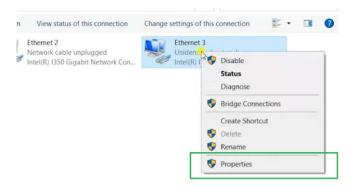


Figure 14. Access network properties in Windows.

Then go to TCP/IPV4 settings:

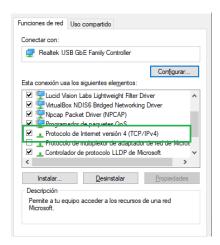


Figure 15. Access TCP/IPV4 settings in Windows.

Select the manual configuration and type the desired address, the netmask and the gateway (optional).

The host IP address has to be in the range 192.168.5.XXX because the L3CAM is configured with netmask size 24. In this example, the configured IP address is 192.168.5.21 and netmask 255.255.255.0. The gateway is left empty.

Click accept to save the changes, this will automatically close the window.



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Figure 16. Windows TCP/IPV4 settings.

To enable jumbo frames on the NIC, click on the configure button of the Ethernet interface properties to open the advanced settings.

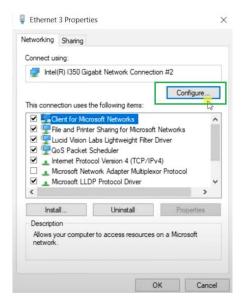


Figure 17. Access advanced Eth properties in Windows.

Then go to the advanced tab, and search the jumbo packet option; modify the value to 9014 bytes:





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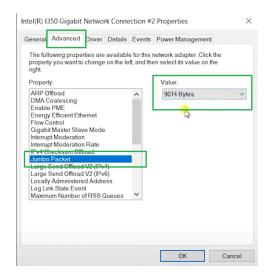


Figure 18. Modify jumbo packet size in Windows.

Finally, in the same window, search the receive buffers property and change the value to 2048:

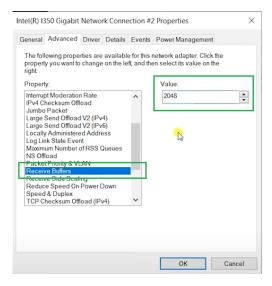


Figure 19. Change receive buffers settings in Windows.

When all the above steps are done, the host will be ready to receive the data streams of the L3CAM.

2.3.3 Linux host configuration

To configure the Ethernet IP address of the host device, go to system configuration > network. From the list select the NIC to be configured and click on Options... this will open the NIC options window.









Figure 20. Access to network configuration in Ubuntu.

In the NIC options window go to IPv4 settings, in Method select Manual, then click on the button Add and type the desired IP address, mask and gateway (optional), then click on Save.

The host IP address has to be in the range 192.168.5.XXX because the L3CAM is configured with netmask size 24. In this example the configured IP address is 192.168.5.20.

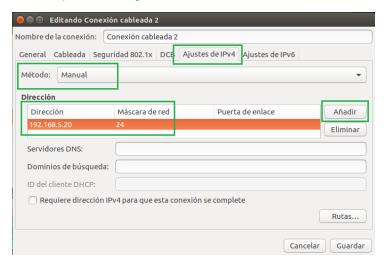


Figure 21. Configure IP address in Ubuntu.



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In the current window go to the Ethernet tab and change the MTU value to 9000, this will allow the host device to handle jumbo frames.

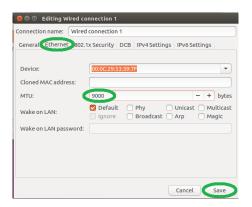


Figure 22. Set jumbo packet size in Ubuntu.

Finally, click the Save button and then restart the NIC configuration with the on/off switch button as shown in the next images.



Figure 23. Activate the network interface.

The last step is to configure the receiving buffers size, to do so open a console with ctrl + alt + t, and type the following commands:

```
sudo sh -c "echo 'net.core.rmem_default=268435456' >> /etc/sysctl.conf"
sudo sh -c "echo 'net.core.rmem_max=268435456' >> /etc/sysctl.conf"
sudo sysctl -p
```

```
beamagine@beamagine-l3cam-dev:~$ sudo sh -c "echo 'net.core.rmem_default=268435456' >> /etc/sysctl.conf"
[sudo] contraseña para beamagine:
beamagine@beamagine-l3cam-dev:~$ sudo sh -c "echo 'net.core.rmem_max=268435456' >> /etc/sysctl.conf"
beamagine@beamagine-l3cam-dev:~$ sudo sysctl -p
net.core.rmem_default = 268435456
net.core.rmem_max = 268435456
beamagine@beamagine-l3cam-dev:~$
```

Figure 24. Configuration of the receiving buffers size.

When all the above steps are done, the host will be ready to receive the data streams of L3CAM.





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3 API USER GUIDE

3.1 LIBRARY OVERVIEW

The library for the integration of L3CAM in the system host (libL3Cam) has been designed to encapsulate all the complexities of the system, automating many functions to simplify the use of the system. The interface exposed by the API has been carefully designed to facilitate its use.

Before proceeding with the details of the API let's establish the following set of categories of the functions:

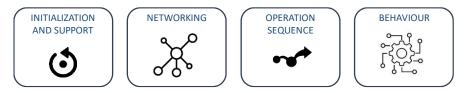


Figure 25. Categories of the functions of the libL3Cam API.

This set of functions is used to initialize and operate L3CAM.

The initialization sequence is described in the following figure.



Figure 26. L3CAM initialization sequence.

The operation sequence is as follows:

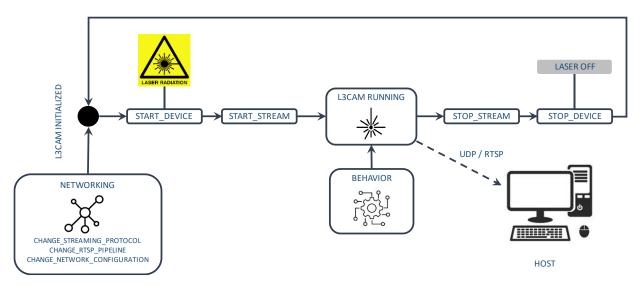


Figure 27. Operation sequence.





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After starting the device, we ask it to start streaming to have it fully operational and sending UDP/RTSP packets to the host computer as will be described in the section below. In this state, we can use the functions under the behaviour category to change its comportment.

LibL3Cam uses the following ports for communications

Table 4. libL3Cam ports.

PROTOCOL	PORT	CONFIGURATION
TCP	6000	Fixed
UDP	6050 (LIDAR)	Fixed
UDP	6060 (Polarimetric)	Fixed
UDP	6020 (RGB)	Fixed
UDP	6030 (LWIR)	Fixed
RTSP	5040 (LIDAR)	Reconfigurable
RTSP	5030 (Polarimetric)	Reconfigurable
RTSP	5010 (RGB)	Reconfigurable
RTSP	5020 (LWIR)	Reconfigurable

TCP is used internally by lib3Cam and is transparent to the user. However, the system host must have the required port available.

3.2 UDP PROTOCOL AND DATA DESCRIPTION

In this mode, L3CAM sends non-compressed LIDAR and multi-modal sensor data with the UDP protocol. Since each sensor uses a different UDP port as described in Table 4, it is recommended to implement a different thread for each sensor to properly receive the data.

To optimize networking resources, it is required to enable jumbo frames as described in section 2.3.

3.2.1 Point cloud

The transmission sequence of a point cloud frame is described in Figure 28.

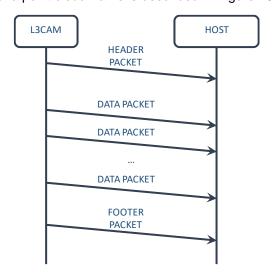


Figure 28. Transmission sequence of point cloud data.





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The transmission of the frame starts with a header packet, is followed by a sequence of data packets and is finalized with a footer packet.

The header packet is as follows:

Table 5. Point cloud frame header.

FIELD	STX	Total number of points	Ctrl value 1	Ctrl value 2	Timestamp
SIZE (Bytes)	1	4	4	4	4
		(int32_t)	(int32_t)	(int32_t)	(uint32_t)
Value	0x02				

where:

- STX is a header packet identifier with value 0x02.
- Total number of points: the number of points that will be sent in the sequence of data packets.
- ctrl value 1: reserved.
- ctrl value 2: reserved.
- Timestamp: an integer that represents the time when the frame was received. The time is in the L3CAM Jetson TX2 time and contains **hhmmsszzz**. For example, a frame received at 18:32:12:346 will return the timestamp value 183212346;

The data packets are organized as described in the following table:

Table 6. Data packet structure.

FIELD	Number of points in packet	Point 1	Point 2		Point N
SIZE (Bytes)	4	20	20	20	20
	(int32_t)	(point)	(point)	(point)	(point)

Each data packet contains 400 points (packet size = 8000 + 4 bytes) but the last one, which can contain fewer points depending on the configuration of the LIDAR resolution.

Each point has the following structure:

Table 7. Point structure.

FIELD	Х	Y	Z	Intensity	RGB
SIZE (Bytes)	4	4	4	4	4
	(int32 t)	(int32 t)	(int32_t)	(int32_t)	(int32_t)

where:

- X, Y, Z are the coordinates of the hit1 in the coordinate system described in Figure 29;
- Intensity²;
- RGB is a field that can represent different features depending on the configuration:

² Intensity is the same as the TOT value described in 1.2.





¹ See description in the definitions section.

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- o colour scale³ for the distance of the hit (*d*),
- o colour scale for the intensity of the hit,
- RBG value of the sensor with which the point cloud has been fused.

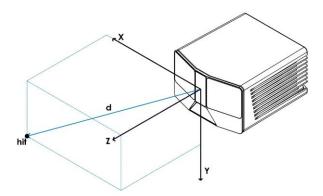


Figure 29. Point cloud reference coordinate system.

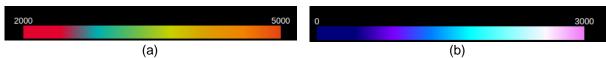
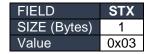


Figure 30. Colour scale for distance (a) and intensity (b).

When all data packets have been sent, L3CAM signals the end of transmission of the point cloud frame with a footer package with STX = 0x03:

Table 8. Point cloud frame footer.



In APPENDIX 1 there is a sample code describing how to read the point cloud frame from the host.

3.2.2 Image

The transmission sequence of an image frame is described in Figure 31. Note that in systems with the perception functions enabled, the image data is complemented with the result of the perception Al algorithms.

³ Colour scales can be changed with the API.





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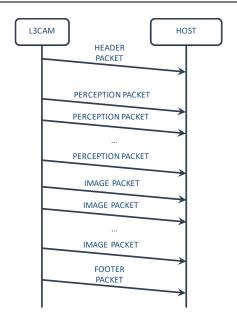


Figure 31. Transmission sequence of image data with results from perception functions.

The transmission begins with a header packet. Then, if the perception functions have detected objects in the image, L3CAM transmits as many perception packets as necessary. The transmission continues with the image packets and ends with a footer packet.

The header packet is as follows:

Table 9. Image frame header.

FIELD	STX	WI	HE	CHANNELS	TIMESTAMP	N_DET
SIZE (Bytes)	1	2	2	1	4	1
		(int16_t)	(int16_t)	(byte)	(uint32_t)	(byte)
Value	0x02					

where:

- STX is a header packet identifier with value 0x02;
- WI: image width in pixels;
- WH: image height in pixels;
- Channels: number of channels in the image;
- Timestamp: an integer that represents the time when the frame was received. The time is in the L3CAM Jetson TX2 time and contains hhmmsszzz. For example, a frame received at 18:32:12:346 will return the timestamp value 183212346;
- N_DET: number of object detections.

If the perception functions are enabled and L3CAM detects objects, it sends one perception packet per object detected. Each perception packet contains the 2D coordinates of the bounding rectangle of the detected object along with the confidence level of the detection. The structure of the perception packet is described in Table 10.





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Table 10. Perception packet.

FIELD	Conf	X0	Y0	HE	WI	Label
SIZE	2	2	2	2	2	2
(Bytes)	(uint16_t)	(int16_t)	(int16_t)	(int16_t)	(int16_t)	(uint16_t)

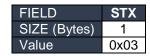
Where:

- Conf: confidence level; range [0-100].
- X0: x coordinate of the origin of the bounding box of the detected object (in pixels).
- Y0: y coordinate of the origin of the bounding box of the detected object (in pixels).
- HE: height of the bounding box (in pixels).
- WI: width of the bounding box (in pixels).
- Label: Index that represents the class of the detected object.

After the perception packets, or in case there are no perception packets, L3CAM starts sending the image packets. The image packets have a size of 8000 bytes. The last image packet can have a smaller size.

The end of transmission (footer) package is:

Table 11. Point cloud frame footer.



In APPENDIX 2 there is a sample code describing how the read images from the UDP stream.

3.3 RTSP PROTOCOL AND DATA DESCRIPTION

In this mode, L3CAM generates a separate pipeline for each sensor using the GStreamer API. The internal pipelines are shown in the next table. The pipelines can be modified using the API calls described in the API section. By default, L3CAM sends the video streams using the H264 compression.

Table 12. GStreamer pipeline.

SENSOR	GSTREAMER PIPELINE
LIDAR	appsrc! video/x-raw,format=BGR,width=720,height=480 framerate=10/1! videoscale! videoconvert! nvvidconv! nvv4l2h264enc control-rate=constant_bitrate bitrate=8000000 preset-level?2 maxperf-enable=1! video/x-h264, stream-format=byte-stream! h264parse! rtph264pay pt=96 mtu=8950! udpsink host=@host_ip port=5040
Polarimetric Camera *	appsrc! video/x-raw,format=BGR,width=1440,height=960 framerate=10/1 ! videoscale! videoconvert! nvvidconv! nvv4l2h264enc control-rate=constant_bitrate bitrate=8000000 preset-level?2 maxperf-enable=1! video/x-h264, stream-format=byte-stream! h264parse! rtph264pay pt=96 mtu=8950! udpsink host=@host_ip port=5030





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RGB Camera	appsrc! video/x-raw,format=BGR,width=1920,height=1080 framerate=10/1! videoscale! videoconvert! nvvidconv! nvv4l2h264enc control-rate=constant_bitrate bitrate=8000000 preset-level?2 maxperfenable=1! video/x-h264, stream-format=byte-stream! h264parse! rtph264pay pt=96 mtu=8950! udpsink host=@host_ip port=5010
LWIR Thermal Camera	appsrc! video/x-raw,format=BGR,width=320,height=240 framerate=10/1! videoscale! videoconvert! nvvidconv! nvv4l2h264enc control-rate=constant_bitrate bitrate=8000000 preset-level?2 maxperf-enable=1! video/x-h264, stream-format=byte-stream! h264parse! rtph264pay pt=96 mtu=8950! udpsink host=@host_ip port=5020

3.3.1 Point cloud

The LIDAR image resolution is not a video standard, and to be able to send it over RTSP using GStreamer API it is necessary to add block padding on the right and the bottom of the image before sending it over RTSP.

The result is a 720x480 pixels image sent over RTSP, and this block padding can be removed in the same pipeline used to receive the RTSP stream as shown in the example below.

```
gst-launch-1.0 udpsrc address="@host_ip" port=5040 ! application/x-rtp,media=video,payload=96,clock-rate=90000,encoding-name=H264,framerate=10/1 ! rtph264depay ! h264parse ! decodebin ! videocrop top=0, left=0, right=40, bottom=230 ! autovideosink sync=false show-preroll-frame=false
```

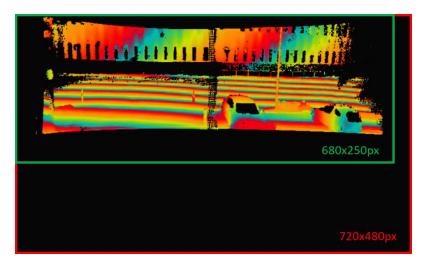


Figure 32. Point cloud and cropping area.





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3.3.2 Image

To receive the RTSP video stream from the Polarimetric camera the following pipeline can be used.

gst-launch-1.0 udpsrc address="@host_ip" port=5030 ! application/xrtp,media=video,payload=96,clock-rate=90000,encoding-name=H264,framerate=10/1 !
rtph264depay ! h264parse ! decodebin ! autovideosink sync=false show-prerollframe=false



Figure 33. Polarimetric Bayer image. See image format in APPENDIX 3.

3.3.3 Image RGB

To receive the RTSP video stream from the RGB camera the following pipeline can be used.4

gst-launch-1.0 udpsrc address="@host_ip" port=5010 ! application/x-rtp,media=video,payload=96,clock-rate=90000,encoding-name=H264,framerate=10/1 ! rtph264depay ! h264parse ! decodebin ! autovideosink sync=false show-preroll-frame=false

⁴ For the RGB duplicate video stream use the port 5030, the one used for the polarimetric image video stream.





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Figure 34 RGB image from econ camera

3.3.4 Thermal image

To receive RTSP video stream from the Thermal camera the following pipeline can be used

gst-launch-1.0 udpsrc address="@host_ip" port=5050 ! application/xrtp,media=video,payload=96,clock-rate=90000,encoding-name=H264,framerate=10/1 !
rtph264depay ! h264parse ! decodebin ! autovideosink sync=false show-prerollframe=false

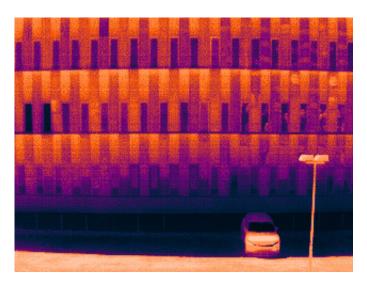


Figure 35 Thermal image using TYRIAN colormap





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3.4 API FUNCTIONS LIST

The following table lists the functions of the library libL3Cam. Please note that the code to receive image data and point cloud data is not included in the API. It is the responsibility of the user to implement those functions following the examples provided in the appendixes.

Table 13. API functions.

FUNCTION NAME	CATEGORY
getBeamErrorDescription	Initialization and
90.200 <u> 10.1</u>	support
GET VERSION	Initialization and
	support
INITIALIZE	Networking
TERMINATE	Finalization support
FIND DEVICES	Initialization and
_	support
GET_LOCAL_SERVER_ADDRESS	Initialization and
	support
GET_DEVICE_STATUS	Initialization and
	support
GET_SENSORS_AVAILABLE	Initialization and
	support
CHANGE_STREAMING_PROTOCOL	Networking
GET_RTSP_PIPELINE	Networking
CHANGE_RTSP_PIPELINE	Networking
GET_NETWORK_CONFIGURATION	Networking
CHANGE_NETWORK_CONFIGURATION	Networking
POWER_OFF_DEVICE	Operation sequence
START_DEVICE	Operation sequence
STOP_DEVICE	Operation sequence
START_STREAM	Operation sequence
STOP_STREAM	Operation sequence
CHANGE_LASER_CLASS	Behaviour
CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR	Behaviour
CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR_RANGE	Behaviour
CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR	Behaviour
CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR_RANGE	Behaviour
CHANGE_DISTANCE_RANGE	Behaviour
SET_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_DEFAULT_SETTINGS	Behaviour
CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_BRIGHTNESS	Behaviour
CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_BLACK_LEVEL	Behaviour
ENABLE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_GAIN	Behaviour
CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_GAIN_RANGE	Behaviour
CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_GAIN	Behaviour
ENABLE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_EXPOSURE_TIME	Behaviour
CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_EXPOSURE_TIME_RANGE	Behaviour
CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_EXPOSURE_TIME	Behaviour
SET_RGB_CAMERA_DEFAULT_SETTINGS	Behaviour



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FUNCTION NAME	CATEGORY
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_BRIGHTNESS	Behaviour
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_CONTRAST	Behaviour
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_SATURATION	Behaviour
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_SHARPNESS	Behaviour
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_GAMMA	Behaviour
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_GAIN	Behaviour
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_WHITE_BALANCE	Behaviour
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_EXPOSURE_TIME	Behaviour
ENABLE_RGB_CAMERA_AUTO_WHITE_BALANCE	Behaviour
ENABLE_RGB_CAMERA_AUTO_EXPOSURE_TIME	Behaviour
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_RESOLUTION	Behaviour
CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_FRAMERATE	Behaviour
ENABLE_RGB_DUAL_CAMERA_STREAMING ⁵	Behaviour
CHANGE_THERMAL_CAMERA_COLORMAP	Behaviour
ENABLE_THERMAL_CAMERA_TEMPERATURE_FILTER	Behaviour
CHANGE_THERMAL_CAMERA_TEMPERATURE_FILTER	Behaviour

⁵ This function is experimental and will be removed from future releases





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3.5 API FUNCTIONS DESCRIPTION

getBeamErrorDescription

```
const char * getBeamErrorDescription(int error_code);
```

Description

Returns the description of the error code returned by any of the library functions.

Parameters

error_code	Integer with the returned error of any API call.	
------------	--	--

Returns

Char pointer with the description of the error returned by the library.

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;

error = INITIALIZE();
desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
printf("Initialize response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
```

GET_VERSION

```
const char * GET_VERSION();
```

Description

Returns the version of the library.

Returns

Char pointer with the version of the library.

Example

```
char *version = NULL;
version = GET_VERSION();
printf("Library version %s \n", version);
```





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INITIALIZE

```
int INITIALIZE();
```

Description

This function initializes the library. Internally starts the TCP port for communications with an L3Cam device, and starts the discovery thread to find L3Cam devices in the network.

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;

error = INITIALIZE();
desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
printf("Initialize response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
```

TERMINATE

```
int TERMINATE(13cam device);
```

Description

This function closes the library communications. Internally stops the TCP communications with an L3Cam device.

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = TERMINATE(deevices[0]);
desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
printf("Terminate response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
```





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FIND_DEVICES

```
int FIND_DEVICES (13cam devices[], int *num_devices);
```

Description

Call this function to get the available devices found in the host network, the current version of the library only allows communications with a single L3CAM device, so the l3cam array should be initialized with one item as described in the example.

Parameters

devices []	Array to store the available devices in the network with I3cam structure.
num_devices	Pointer to integer where the number of devices found is returned.

```
int num_devices = 0;
13cam devices[1];
char *desc = NULL;

int32_t error = FIND_DEVICES(devices, &num_devices);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
    desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
    printf("Get devices response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}

if(num_devices > 0){
    printf("ip address of device %s\n", devices[0].ip_address);
}
```





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GET_LOCAL_SERVER_ADDRESS

```
const char * GET_LOCAL_SERVER_ADDRESS (13cam device);
```

Description

Call this function to get the local address of the NIC where the L3CAM has been connected.

Parameters

Device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
--------	---

Returns

Char pointer with the IP address of the NIC where L3CAM device is connected.

Example

```
char *local_ip_address = NULL;
local_ip_address = GET_LOCAL_SERVER_ADDRESS(devices[0]);
printf("Library version %s \n", local_ip_address);
```

GET_DEVICE_STATUS

```
int GET_DEVICE_STATUS (13cam device, int32_t *system_status);
```

Description

Call this function to get the current device status. See status definition for more information.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
system_status	Pointer to an integer (32 bit) where the status is returned.





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```
int32_t system_status = 0;
char *desc = NULL;

int32_t error = GET_DEVICE_STATUS(devices[0], &system_status);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
    desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
    printf("Get device status response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}

printf("System status %d\n", system_status);
```

GET_SENSORS_AVAILABLE

Description

Call this function to get the available sensors and the information of each sensor in the device. The number of sensors available will vary depending on the L3CAM model.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
sensors[]	Sensor struct array to store the sensors data.
num_sensors	Pointer to store the number of sensors available in the device

```
int num_sensors = 0;
sensor av_sensors[6];
char *desc = NULL;

int32_t error = GET_SENSORS_AVAILABLE(devices[0], av_sensors, &num_sensors);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Get sensors available response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```





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CHANGE_STREAMING_PROTOCOL

```
int CHANGE_STREAMING_PROTOCOL (13cam device, sensor *sensor_id);
```

Description

Call this function to change the streaming protocol for the desired sensor. See 3.2 for more information.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
sensor_id	Pointer to the sensor to change the protocol

```
char *desc = NULL;
av_sensors[0].protocol = protocol_rtsp;
int32_t error = CHANGE_STREAMING_PROTOCOL(devices[0], &av_sensors[0]);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change streaming protocol response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```



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GET_RTSP_PIPELINE

```
int GET_RTSP_PIPELINE(l3cam device, sensor sensor_id, char **pipeline);
```

Description

Call this function to get the current RTSP pipeline of a specific sensor.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.	
sensor_id	The sensor to get the RTSP pipeline	
pipeline	Pointer to a pointer with the pipeline string	

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
char *rtsp_pipeline = NULL;

int32_t error = GET_RTSP_PIPELINE(devices[0], av_sensors[0], &rtsp_pipeline);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
    desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
    printf("Get RTSP pipeline response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
else{
    print("%s \n", rtsp_pipeline);
}
```

CHANGE_RTSP_PIPELINE

Description

Call this function to change the current RTSP pipeline of the specific sensor.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.	
sensor_id	The sensor to change the RTSP pipeline	
pipeline	Pointer with the new pipeline string	





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Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RTSP_PIPELINE(devices[0], av_sensors[0], "new_pipeline");
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Initialize response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```

GET_NETWORK_CONFIGURATION

Description

Call this function to get the current network configuration of the L3CAM device.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.	
ip_address	Pointer to pointer where the IP address is returned	
netmask	Pointer to pointer where the netmask is returned as string	
gateway	Pointer to pointer where the gateway is returned	

```
char *desc = NULL;
char *address = NULL;
char *netmask = NULL;
char *gateway = NULL;

int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = GET_NETWORK_CONFIGURATION(devices[0], &address, &netmask, &gateway);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
    desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
    printf("Get network configuration response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}else{
    printf("address %s netmask %s gateway %s \n", address, netmask, gateway);
}
```





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CHANGE_NETWORK_CONFIGURATION

Description

Call this function to change the L3Cam device network configuration.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function. Pointer with the new IP address	
ip_address		
netmask	Pointer with the new netmask as a string	
gateway Pointer with the new gateway		
enable_dhcp	Boolean to enable or disable the DHCP functionality of the L3CAM	

```
char *desc = NULL;
/*FIXED IP ADDRESS DISABLES DHCP*/
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_NETWORK_CONFIGURATION(devices[0],
                                     "192.168.5.15", "255.255.255.0", "0.0.0.0",
                                     false);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
    desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
    printf("Change network response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
/*DYNAMIC IP ADDRESS ENABLES DHCP*/
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_NETWORK_CONFIGURATION(devices[0], NULL, NULL, NULL, true);
if(error != L3CAM OK){
    desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
    printf("Change network response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```





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POWER_OFF_DEVICE

```
void POWER_OFF_DEVICE (13cam device);
```

Description

Call this function to properly shut down the L3CAM device.

Parameters

Device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
--------	---

Example

```
POWER_OFF_DEVICE(devices[0]);
```

START_DEVICE

```
int START_DEVICE (13cam device);
```

Description

Call this function to initialize the device, it initializes all the internal sensors and the streaming protocols. This call sends the current date-time of the host to the L3CAM to synchronize the date-time of the sensor and get correct timestamp values.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
--------	---

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = START_DEVICE(devices[0]);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Start device response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```





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STOP_DEVICE

```
int STOP_DEVICE (13cam device);
```

Description

Call this function to stop the device. It stops the internal sensors and streaming protocols.

Parameters

device Structure of an available device to execute the function.
--

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = STOP_DEVICE(devices[0]);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Stop device response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```

START_STREAM

```
int START_STREAM (13cam device);
```

Description

Call this function to start the streaming of the device. Each sensor will stream with the selected streaming protocol. See 3.1 and 3.2 for more information.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
--------	---





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Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = START_STREAM(devices[0]);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Start stream response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```

STOP_STREAM

```
int STOP_STREAM (13cam device);
```

Description

Call this function to stop the sensors from streaming.

Parameters

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = STOP_STREAM(devices[0]);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Stop stream response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```





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CHANGE_LASER_CLASS

```
int CHANGE_LASER_CLASS (13cam device, int laser_class);
```

Description

Call this function to change the behaviour of the laser, this function has to be used carefully. If the laser is set to CLASS 3R special protection has to be used by the user. See 2.1 for more information.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
laser_class	Integer with the new laser class. See APPENDIX 6 for more information.

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = CHANGE_LASER_CLASS(devices[0], laser_class_3R);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change laser class response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR

```
int CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR(l3cam device, int visualization_color);
```

Description

Call this function to change the colour representation of the point cloud. See 3.2 and APPENDIX 6 for more information about point cloud colours.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
visualization_color	Integer with the colour of the point cloud.





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Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR(devices[0], RAINBOW_Z);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change pointcloud color response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR_RANGE

```
int CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR_RANGE(l3cam device, int max_value, int min_value);
```

Description

Call this function to change the colour range representation of the point cloud. See 3.2 and APPENDIX 6 for more information about point cloud colours.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
max_value	Maximum value for the colour representation.
min_value	Minimum value for the colour representation.

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = CHANGE_POINTCLOUD_COLOR_RANGE(devices[0], 5000, 0);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change pointcloud color range response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```





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CHANGE_DISTANCE_RANGE

```
int CHANGE_DISTANCE_RANGE(13cam device, int min_distance, int max_distance);
```

Description

Call this function to apply a distance filter to the point cloud. The resulting point cloud will show the points delimited between the minimum distance and the maximum distance.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
min_distance	Minimum distance of the point cloud, the value is in millimetres (mm)
max_distance	Maximum distance of the point cloud, the value is in millimetres (mm)

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
//!filter the pointcloud between 2 meters and 30 meters
error = CHANGE_DISTANCE_RANGE(devices[0], 2000, 30000);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
    desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
    printf("Change distance range response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```





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SET_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_DEFAULT_SETTINGS

```
int SET_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_DEFAULT_SETTINGS(13cam device);
```

Description

Call this function to change all the polarimetric camera parameters to the system defaults.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
--------	---

Example

CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_BRIGHTNESS

```
int CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_BRIGHTNESS(13cam device, int brightness);
```

Description

Call this function to change the camera brightness.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
brightness	Integer with the new brightness value. The range value is 0 - 255





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Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_BRIGHTNESS(devices[0], 210);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change polarimetric brightness response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE POLARIMETRIC CAMERA BLACK LEVEL

```
int CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_BLACK_LEVEL(13cam device, float black_level);
```

Description

Call this function to change the black level of the polarimetric camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
black_level	Float with the new black level value. The range value is 0 – 12.5

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_BLACK_LEVEL(devices[0], 8.5);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change polarimetric black level response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```





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ENABLE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_GAIN

```
int ENABLE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_GAIN(13cam device, bool enabled);
```

Description

Call this function to enable or disable the auto-gain feature of the polarimetric camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
enabled	Boolean to enable/disable the auto gain feature. true to enable auto gain and false to disable it.

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = ENABLE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTOGAIN(devices[0], true);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Enable polarimetric auto gain response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_GAIN_RANGE

Description

Call this function to change the range of the polarimetric camera auto-gain feature. When the auto-gain feature is enabled, the camera will adjust it using the range of the specified values.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
min_gain	Float with the minimum gain value for the auto-gain feature. The range is 0 to 48.0 dB
max_gain	Float with the maximum gain value for the auto-gain feature. The range is 0 to 48.0 dB





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CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_GAIN

```
int CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_GAIN(13cam device, float gain);
```

Description

Call this function to manually set the gain of the polarimetric camera. The auto gain feature must be disabled to use this function

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
gain	The value of the gain. The range is 0 – 48.0 dB





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ENABLE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_EXPOSURE_TIME

```
int ENABLE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_EXPOSURE_TIME(13cam device, bool enabled);
```

Description

Call this function to enable or disable the auto-exposure time feature of the polarimetric camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
enabled	Boolean to enable/disable the auto-exposure time feature. True to enable auto exposure time and false to disable it.

Example

CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_AUTO_EXPOSURE_TIME_RANGE

Description

Call this function to change the auto-exposure time values range. When the auto-exposure time feature is enabled, the value will vary in the range of the specified values.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
min_exposure	Float with the minimum exposure time value for the auto exposure time feature. The range is 33.456us to 1000000.0us
max_exposure	Float with the maximum exposure time value for the auto exposure time feature. The range is 33.456us to 1000000.0us





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CHANGE_POLARIMETRIC_CAMERA_EXPOSURE_TIME

Description

Call this function to change the polarimetric camera exposure time. The auto-exposure time must be disabled to be able to use this function.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
exposure_time	Float with the exposure time value. The range is 33.456us to 1000000.0us





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SET_RGB_CAMERA_DEFAULT_SETTINGS

```
int SET_RB_CAMERA_DEFAULT_SETTINGS(13cam device);
```

Description

Call this function to change all the RGB camera parameters to the system defaults.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.

Example

CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_BRIGHTNESS

```
int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_BRIGHTNESS(13cam device, int brightness);
```

Description

Call this function to change the camera brightness.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
brightness	Integer with the new brightness value. The range value is -15 - 15





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Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_BRIGHTNESS(devices[0], 10);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB brightness response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_CONTRAST

```
int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_CONTRAST(13cam device, int contrast);
```

Description

Call this function to change the contrast of the RGB camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
contrast	Integer with the new contrast value. The range value is 0 – 30

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_CONTRAST(devices[0], 5);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB contrast response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```





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CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_SATURATION

```
int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_SATURATION(13cam device, int saturation);
```

Description

Call this function to change the of the RGB camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
saturation	Integer with the new saturation value. The range value is $0-60$

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_SATURATION(devices[0], 10);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB saturation response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_SHARPNESS

```
int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_SHARPNESS(13cam device, int sharpness);
```

Description

Call this function to change the sharpness of the RGB camera.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
sharpness	Integer with the new sharpness value. The range value is 0 – 127





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```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_SHARPNESS(devices[0], 100);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB sharpness response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_GAMMA

```
int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_GAMMA(13cam device, int gamma);
```

Description

Call this function to change the gamma of the RGB camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
gamma	Integer with the new gamma value. The range value is 40 – 500

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_GAMMA(devices[0], 150);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB gamma response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```





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CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_GAIN

```
int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_GAIN(13cam device, int gain);
```

Description

Call this function to change the gain of the RGB camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
gain	Integer with the new gain value. The range value is 0 – 63

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_GAIN(devices[0], 20);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB gain response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_WHITE_BALANCE

```
int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_WHITE_BALANCE(13cam device, int white_balance);
```

Description

Call this function to change the white balance of the RGB camera.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
white_balance	Integer with the new white balance value. The range value is 1000 – 10000





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Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_WHITE_BALANCE(devices[0], 3000);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB white balance response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE RGB CAMERA EXPOSURE TIME

```
int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_EXPOSURE_TIME(13cam device, int exposure_time);
```

Description

Call this function to change the exposure time of the RGB camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
exposure_time	Integer with the new exposure time value. The range value is 1 – 10000

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_EXPOSURE_TIME(devices[0], 3000);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB exposure time response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```





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CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_RESOLUTION

int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_RESOLUTION(13cam device, econResolutions resolution);

Description

Call this function to change the resolution of the RGB image.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
resolution	Enum that indicates the desired resolution for the RGB image. The available resolutions are 640x480px; 1280x720px; 1920x1080px

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_RESOLUTION(devices[0], reso_1280_720);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB image resolution response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_FRAMERATE

```
int CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_FRAMERATE(13cam device, int framerate);
```

Description

Call this function to change the framerate of the RGB camera.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
framerate	Integer with the new framerate value. The range value is 1 – 16 fps





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Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_RGB_CAMERA_FRAMERATE(devices[0], 10);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change RGB framerate response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```

ENABLE RGB CAMERA AUTO WHITE BALANCE

```
int ENABLE_RGB_CAMERA_AUTO_WHITE_BALANCE (13cam device, bool enabled);
```

Description

Call this function to enable or disable the auto white balance feature of the RGB camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
enabled	Boolean to enable/disable the auto white balance feature.





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ENABLE_RGB_CAMERA_AUTO_EXPOSURE_TIME

```
int ENABLE_RGB_CAMERA_AUTO_EXPOSURE_TIME (13cam device, bool enabled);
```

Description

Call this function to enable or disable the auto exposure time feature of the RGB camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
enabled	Boolean to enable/disable the auto exposure time feature.

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = ENABLE_RGB_CAMERA_AUTO_EXPOSURE_TIME(devices[0], true);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Enable RGB camera auto exp.time response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```

ENABLE_RGB_DUAL_CAMERA_STREAMING

```
int ENABLE_RGB_DUAL_CAMERA_STREAMING (13cam device, bool enabled);
```

Description

Call this function to enable or disable the dual streaming feature of the RGB image. This duplicates the gstreamer threads and pipelines to simulate two RGB cameras feed, this function is experimental and will be removed in future releases.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
enabled	Boolean to enable/disable the duplicate of RGB image feature.





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Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = ENABLE_RGB_DUAL_CAMERA_STREAMING(devices[0], true);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Enable RGB dual image response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```

CHANGE THERMAL CAMERA COLORMAP

```
int CHANGE_THERMAL_CAMERA_COLORMAP(13cam device, thermalTypes colormap);
```

Description

Call this function to change the current colormap of the thermal image.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
colormap	Enum that indicates the current colormap for the thermal image.

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_THERMAL_CAMERA_COLORMAP(devices[0], thermal_IRON);

if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change Thermal colormap response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```





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CHANGE_THERMAL_CAMERA_TEMPERATURE_FILTER

Description

Call this function to change the thermal values for the filter of the thermal camera.

Parameters

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.	
min_temperature	float with the new minimum temperature value. The range value is - $40 - 200$ °C	
max_temperature	float with the new maximum temperature value. The range value is - $40 - 200$ °C	

Example

```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = CHANGE_THERMAL_CAMERA_TEMPERATURE_FILTER(devices[0], 20.5, 35.5);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Change Thermal filter values response %d - %s\n", error, desc);
}
```

ENABLE_THERMAL_CAMERA_TEMPERATURE_FILTER

```
int ENABLE_THERMAL_CAMERA_TEMPERATURE_FILTER (13cam device, bool enabled);
```

Description

Call this function to enable or disable the temperature filter feature of the thermal camera.

device	Structure of an available device to execute the function.
enabled	Boolean to enable/disable the filter feature.





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```
char *desc = NULL;
int32_t error = L3CAM_OK;
error = ENABLE_THERMAL_CAMERA_TEMPERATURE_FILTER(devices[0], true);
if(error != L3CAM_OK){
   desc = getBeamErrorDescription(error);
   printf("Enable thermal camera filter response %d - %s \n", error, desc);
}
```



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APPENDIX 1 READING A POINT CLOUD

```
void udpReceiverController::readPointcloud(){
   int points received = 1;
   socklen_t socket_len = sizeof(m_socket);
   char* buffer = NULL;
   buffer = (char*)malloc(64004);
   while(1)
      int size_read = recvfrom(m_socket_descriptor, buffer, 64004, 0, (struct
      sockaddr*)&m_socket, &socket_len);
      if(size_read == 17){
           memcpy(&m_pointcloud_size, &buffer[1], 4);
           m_pointcloud_data = (int32_t*)malloc( sizeof(int32_t)*(((m_pointcloud_size) *5)
           memcpy(&m_pointcloud_data[0], &m_pointcloud_size, sizeof(int32_t));
            int32_t suma_1, suma_2;
            memcpy(&suma_1, &buffer[5], sizeof(int32_t));
            memcpy(&suma_2, &buffer[9], sizeof(int32_t));
            memcpy(&m_timestamp, &buffer[13], sizeof(uint32_t));
            m_is_reading_pointcloud = true;
           points_received = 1;
        else if(size read == 1){
            m is reading pointcloud = false;
            int32 t *data received = (int32 t*)malloc(sizeof(int32 t)*
            (m_pointcloud_size*5)+1);
            memcpy(&data_received[0], &m_pointcloud_data[0], sizeof(int32_t)*
            ((m_pointcloud_size*5)+1));
            emit pointcloudReadyToShow(data_received);
            free(m pointcloud data);
           points_received = 1;
        else if(size read > 0){
            if(m_is_reading_pointcloud){
                int32 t points = 0;
               memcpy(&points, &buffer[0], 4);
               memcpy(&m_pointcloud_data[points_received],&buffer[4],
                (sizeof(int32_t)*(points*5)));
               points received+=points*5;
            }
       }
   free(buffer);
```





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APPENDIX 2 READING AN IMAGE

```
struct boxImage{
   int16_t x;
    int16 t y;
    int16_t height;
    int16_t width;
};
struct detectionImage{
    boxImage box;
    uint16_t confidence;
    uint16_t label;
};
void udpReceiverController::readRgbImage(){
    m image buffer = NULL;
    int bytes_count = 0;
    socklen t socket len = sizeof(m socket);
    char* buffer;
    buffer = (char*)malloc(64000);
    detectionImage curr det;
    while(1){
        int size_read = recvfrom(m_socket_descriptor, buffer, 64000, 0,
                                 (struct sockaddr*)&m_socket, &socket_len);
        if(size_read == 11){
            memcpy(&m_image_height, &buffer[1], 2);
            memcpy(&m image width, &buffer[3], 2);
            memcpy(&m image channels, &buffer[5], 1);
            memcpy(&m timestamp, &buffer[6], sizeof(uint32 t));
            memcpy(&m image detections, &buffer[10], 1);
            m_image_data_size = m_image_height*m_image_width*m_image_channels;
            m_image_buffer = (char*)malloc(m_image_data_size);
            m_is_reading_image = true;
            m_image_ready = false;
            m_detections.clear();
            bytes_count = 0;
        }else if(size_read == 1 || bytes_count == m_image_data_size ){
            m_is_reading_image = false;
            m_image_ready = true;
            bytes_count = 0;
            uint8_t* image_pointer = (uint8_t*)malloc(m_image_data_size);
            memcpy(image_pointer, m_image_buffer, m_image_data_size);
            emit imageRgbReadyToShow(image_pointer, m_image_height, m_image_width,
m_image_channels, m_detections);
            free(m_image_buffer);
            m image detections = 0;
```





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```
}else if(size_read != -1){
        if(m_image_detections > 0){
           //!read detections packages
           memcpy(&curr_det.confidence, &buffer[0], 2);
           memcpy(&curr_det.box.x, &buffer[2], 2);
           memcpy(&curr_det.box.y, &buffer[4], 2);
           memcpy(&curr_det.box.height, &buffer[6], 2);
           memcpy(&curr_det.box.width, &buffer[8], 2);
           memcpy(&curr_det.label, &buffer[10], 2);
           m_detections.push_back(curr_det);
           --m_image_detections;
           continue;
        if(m_is_reading_image){
           memcpy(&m_image_buffer[bytes_count], buffer, size_read);
           bytes_count+=size_read;
        }
   }
free(buffer);
```



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APPENDIX 3 POLARIMETRIC PIXEL FORMAT

L3CAM supports one Lucid PHX050S1 polarized colour camera. These cameras have unprocessed BayerRG pixel formats. The data is transmitted by the camera following the GenlCam standard's Pixel Format naming convention [RD 2]. L3CAM forwards the data using the same format.

The colour filter array of the PHX050S1 is as follows:

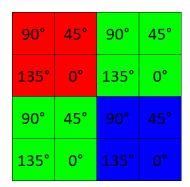


Figure 36. Colour filter array of Lucid PHX050S1.



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Table 14. Library return codes.

RETURN CODE	DESCRIPTION		
0	L3CAM_OK – The API call executed successfully		
21	L3CAM_NO_SENSORS_AVAILABLE - The L3CAM device was not able to find any		
	device attached to it.		
210	L3CAM_TIMEOUT_ERROR – The library timed out waiting for a response from L3CAM		
211	L3CAM_ERROR_OUT_OF_MEMORY – The library has no available memory		
220	L3CAM_UNDEFINED_LASER_CLASS – The user input of laser class is erroneous		
222	L3CAM_UNDEFINED_SENSOR – The sensor input is erroneous		
223	L3CAM_VALUE_OUT_OF_RANGE – The user input for a value is erroneous		
224	L3CAM_SENSOR_NOT_AVAILABLE – The sensor input is erroneous		
230	L3CAM_ERROR_CREATING_TCP_CLIENT_SOCKET – Unable to create a socket to		
	connect with the L3CAM TCP server		
231	L3CAM_ERROR_INITIALIZING_WSA - *Windows only, error initializing the WSA		
	subsystem.		
232	L3CAM_ERROR_CONNECTING_WITH_TCP_SERVER – The library failed to connect		
with the L3CAM TCP server			
233 L3CAM_ERROR_SENDING_TCP_MESSAGE – Error while trying to send a mes			
over TCP to L3CAM			
234 L3CAM_ERROR_CREATING_TCP_SERVER_SOCKET – Error creating the Libi			
	TCP server		
235	L3CAM_EROR_BINDING_SOCKET – Error when binding library TCP socket, check		
200	local ports and system privileges.		
236	L3CAM_ERROR_STARTING_TCP_SERVER – The library is unable to start the local		
007	TCP server.		
237	L3CAM_ERROR_ACCEPTING_TCP_CLIENT – The local TCP server was unable to		
	accept the L3CAM connection		

Table 15. Polarimetric camera errors.

ERROR CODE	DESCRIPTION
30	ERROR_POL_STD_EXCEPTION
31	ERROR_POL_RUNTIME_EXCEPTION
32	ERROR_POL_GENERIC_EXEPTION
33	ERROR_POL_TIMEOUT_EXCEPTION
34	ERROR_POL_UNDEFINED_ERROR
35	ERROR_POL_PERCEPTION_EXCEPTION





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Table 16 Thermal camera errors.

ERROR CODE	DESCRIPTION
40	ERROR_OPENING_THERMAL_CAMERA
41	ERROR_THERMAL_IMAGE_SIZE
42	ERROR_CLOSING_THERMAL_CAMERA
43	ERROR_SETTING_THERMAL_LUT
44	ERROR_GETTING_THERMAL_LUT
45	ERROR_SETTING_THERMAL_SHARPEN
46	ERROR_SETTING_THERMAL_SMOOTH
47	ERROR_GETTING_THERMAL_SYSTEM
48	ERROR_SETTING_THERMAL_SYSTEM



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APPENDIX 5 STATUS

The L3CAM device returns the device status encoded in a 16-bit unsigned integer, each bit corresponds to a possible status. The bit 0 is the less significant bit of the integer.

Table 17. Status bits.

BIT	Description
0	UNDEFINED STATUS
1	BOOTING
2	ALARMS AT BOOTING
3	ERRORS AT BOOTING
4	BOOTING UNCONFIGURED
5	STARTED
6	STARTED WITH ALARMS
7	STARTED WITH ERRORS
8	STARTED UNCONFIGURED
9	STOPPING
10	STOPED
11	STOPED WITH ALARMS
12	UNUSED
13	UNUSED
14	UNUSED
15	UNUSED



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APPENDIX 6 DATA STRUCTURES

Enum sensorTypes

```
typedef enum sensorTypes {
   sensor_lidar = 1,
   sensor_econ_rgb,
   sensor_pol,
   sensor_thermal,
}sensorTypes;
```

This structure contains the possible sensors available in the L3CAM.

Table 18. sensorTypes enum fields.

Parameter	Description
Sensor_lidar	Identifier for LIDAR sensor
Sensor_econ_rgb	Identifier for RGB camera
Sensor_pol	Identifier for Polarimetric camera (Mono or RGB)
Sensor_thermal	Identifier for Thermal camera

Enum laserClass

```
enum laserClass {
    laser_class_1 = 0,
    laser_class_3R,
};
```

Table 19. laserClass enum fields.

Parameter	Description
Laser_class_1	Class 1 lasers or systems cannot emit accessible laser radiation in excess of the applicable Class 1 AEL for any exposure times within the maximum duration inherent in the design or intended use of the laser. Class 1 lasers are exempt from all beam-hazard control measures.
Laser_class_3R	A Class 3R laser is considered safe if handled carefully, with restricted beam viewing.





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Enum pointCloudColor

```
enum pointCloudColor{
    RAINBOW = 0,
    RAINBOW_Z,
    INTENSITY,
    RGB_FUSION,
    POLARIMETRIC_FUSION,
    POL_PROCESSED_FUSION,
    THERMAL_FUSION,
    RGBT_FUSION
};
```

This structure contains the possible colour values for the point cloud data.

Table 20. pointCloudColor enum fields.

Parameter	Description
RAINBOW	Colour that represents the spherical distance of the point
RAINBOW_Z	Colour that represents the distance on the Z-axis of the point
INTENSITY	Colour that represents the intensity of the point
RGB_FUSION	Point cloud with the RGB camera information fused
POLARIMETRIC_FUSION	Point cloud with the Polarimetric camera information fused
POL_PROCESSED_FUSION	Point cloud with the Polarimetric camera processed information fused
THERMAL_FUSION	Point cloud with the Thermal camera information fused
RGBT_FUSION	Point cloud with the RGB-Thermal fusion camera information

Enum streamingProtocols

```
typedef enum streamingProtocols {
   protocol_raw_udp = 1,
   protocol_gstreamer,
   protocol_rtsp
}streamingProtocols;
```

This structure describes the available streaming protocols for each sensor.

Table 21. streamingProtocols enum fields.

Parameter	Description
protocol_raw_udp	Value to enable Raw UDP streaming mode
protocol_gstreamer	Value to enable the RTSP streaming mode using gstreamer pipelines
protocol_rtsp	Value to enable RTSP streaming using RTP/UDP





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Struct sensor

```
typedef struct sensor{
    streamingProtocols protocol;
    sensorTypes sensor_type;
    uint8_t sensor_status;
    uint8_t image_type;
    bool perception_enabled;
}sensor;
```

This structure describes the parameters of each sensor in the L3CAM.

Table 22, sensor struct fields.

Parameter	Description
Protocol	Streaming protocol of the sensor
Sensor_type	Identify the sensor type
Sensor_status	Integer with the current sensor status
Image_type	Identify the current image type that the sensor is streaming
Perception_enabled	Boolean that shows if the perception algorithm is enabled in the sensor

Struct I3cam

```
typedef struct l3cam{
   char ip_address[16];
   char serial_number[10];
   uint8_t model;
}l3cam;
```

This structure describes the parameters of each L3CAM device available in the network.

Table 23. I3cam struct fields.

Parameter	Description
lp_addres	The IP address of the device
Serial_number	The serial number of the device
Model	The model of the device





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Enum econResolutions

```
typedef enum econResolutions{
   reso_640_480 = 1,
   reso_1280_720,
   reso_1920_1080
}econResolutions;
```

This structure describes the available resolutions for the econ RGB camera image streaming.

Table 24 econResolutions enum fields.

Parameter	Description
Reso_640_480	Use this value for a resolution of 640 x 480 px
Reso_1280_720	Use this value for a resolution of 1280 x 720 px (HD)
Reso_1920_1080	Use this value for a resolution of 1920 x 1080 px (FHD)

Enum thermalTypes

```
typedef enum thermalTypes{
    thermal_WHITE = 1,
    thermal_BLACK = 17,
    thermal_IRON = 20,
    thermal COOL = 2,
    thermal_AMBER = 9,
    thermal_INDIGO = 10,
    thermal_TYRIAN = 16,
    thermal_GLORY = 8,
    thermal_ENVY = 16,
    thermal_WHITE_NEW = 100,
    thermal_BLACK_NEW,
    thermal SPECTRA,
    thermal PRISM,
    thermal_TYRIAN_NEW,
    thermal_AMBER_NEW,
    thermal_IRON_NEW,
    thermal HI,
    thermal_HILO,
}thermalTypes;
```

This structure contains the colormap names for the thermal camera, this is a duplicate of the thermal library structures.





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APPENDIX 7 L3CAM DIMENSIONS

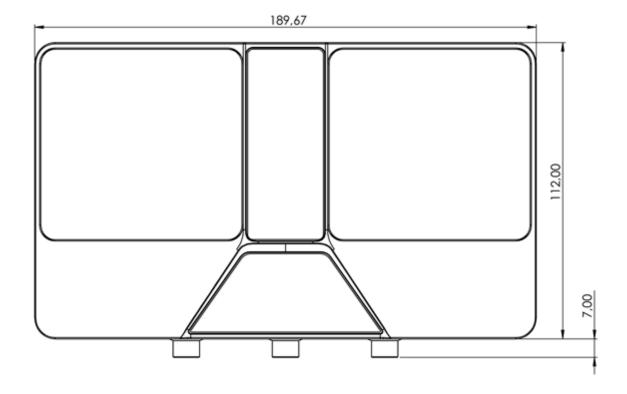


Figure 37. L3CAM front side dimensions.



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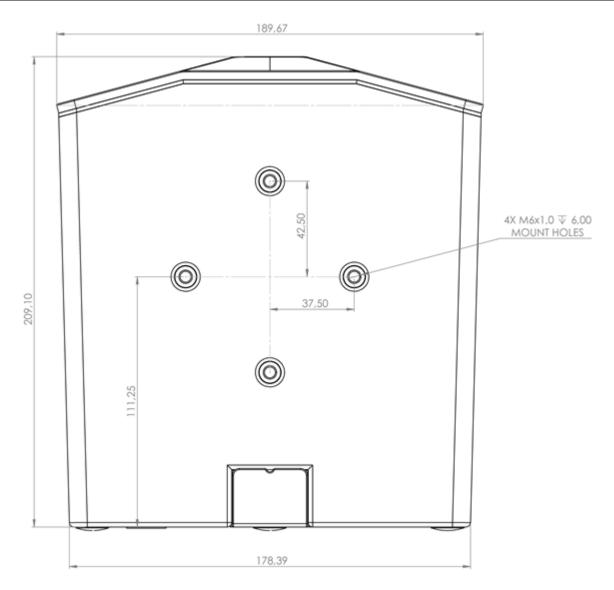


Figure 38, L3CAM mount holes dimensions.



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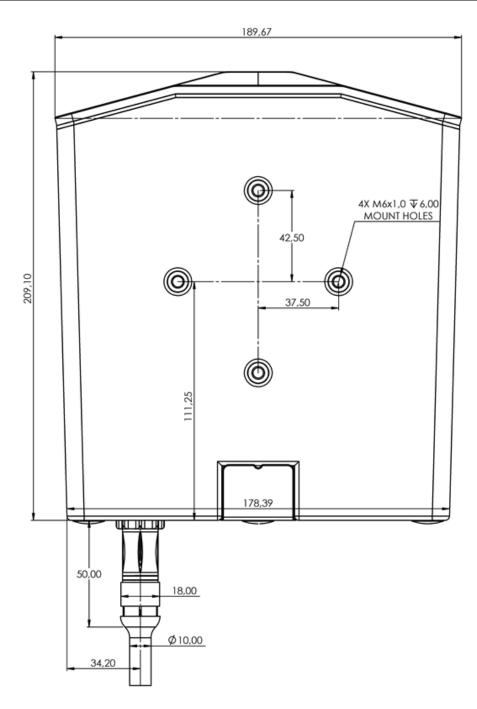


Figure 39. L3CAM connector cable dimensions.



