

CA378-AOIS_USB3-IFB Software Setup Guide

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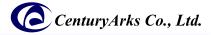
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1. Software download procedure



1.1. Download

Download the following binary file.

https://github.com/centuryarks/CA378-AOIS_USB3-IFB/releases/download/v1.3.2_release/USBCA_v1.3.2.zip

Supplement

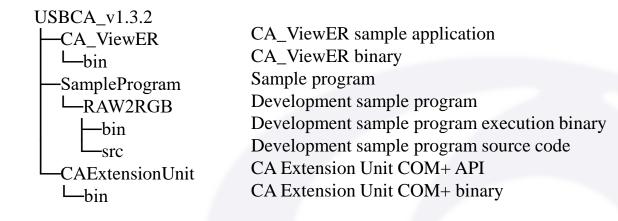
When building from source code, please perform Git Clone from the following URL, and refer to How to build in README.md.

https://github.com/centuryarks/CA378-AOIS_USB3-IFB.git



2.1. Preparation

The folder structure of the unzipped USBCA_v1.3.2.zip downloaded from GitHub is as follows.





2.2. USB cable connection

When you connect the USB cable, the driver installation will start automatically.

Please wait for a while until preparation is complete.

"USBCA-378" will be recognized in the camera of the device manager after successful setup.

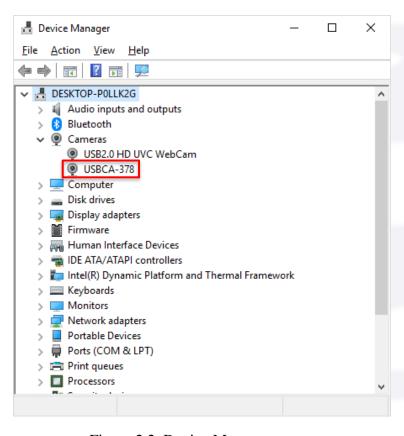
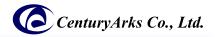


Figure 2.2. Device Manager screen



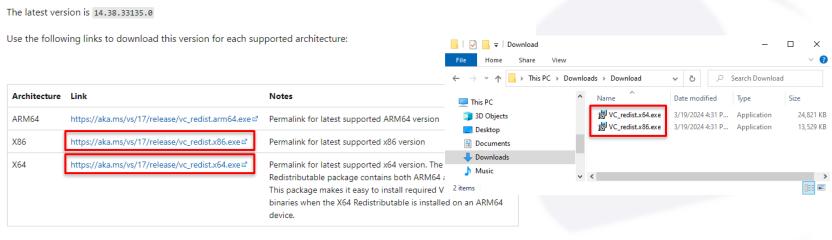
2.3. Visual Studio 2015-2022 Visual C++ Redistributable Package installation

Select a program from the following URL to download and install it.

https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/cpp/windows/latest-supported-vc-redist?view=msvc-170

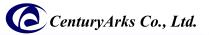
64bit environment: https://aka.ms/vs/17/release/vc_redist.x64.exe 32bit environment: https://aka.ms/vs/17/release/vc_redist.x86.exe

Latest Microsoft Visual C++ Redistributable Version



Download other versions, including long term servicing release channel (LTSC) versions, from my. visual studio.com \vec{v} .

Figure 2.3. Visual Studio 2015-2022 Visual C++ Redistributable Package installation



2.4. Register registry of COM

Right click on the bat file stored below and execute it as administrator.

32bit environment: "\USBCA_v1.3.2\USBCA_total.a.2\USBCA_v1.3.2\USBCA_total.bat"

* To cancel the registry of COM, execute "CAExtensionDLL_Uninstall.bat" as an administrator.

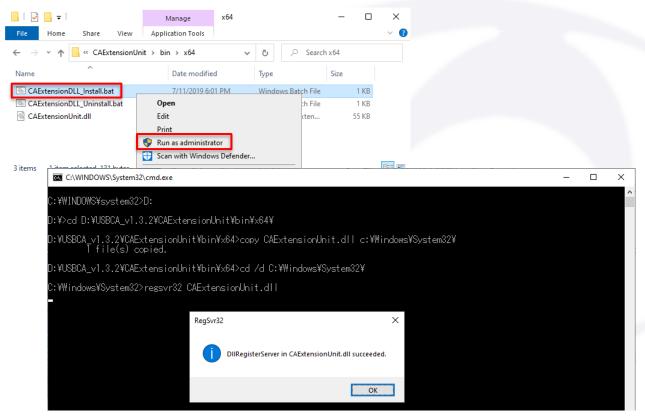


Figure 2.4. Registering the COM registry



1) Launch CA_ViewER.exe in the CA_ViewER folder.

64bit environment: ¥USBCA_v1.3.2¥CA_ViewER¥bin¥x64¥CA_ViewER.exe 32bit environment: ¥USBCA_v1.3.2¥CA_ViewER¥bin¥x86¥CA_ViewER.exe

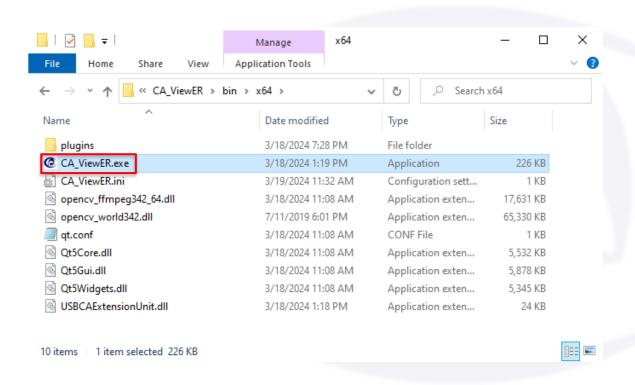


Figure 3.1. Starting the imaging application



1) Adjust the following parameters on the Sensor tab.

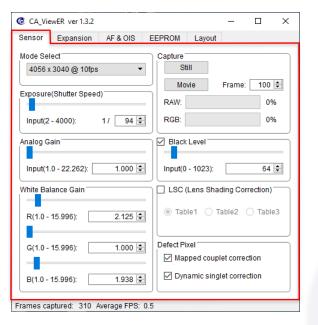
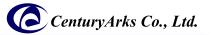


Figure 4.1. Sensor tab parameter adjustment

| Item | Description | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Mode Select | Select the following resolution setting. 4056 x 3040 @ 10fps | | | |
| Capture | Still button to record still images. Movie recording with the Movie button. Specify the number of saved frames in Frame. Refer to 6) for details. | | | |
| Exposure | Adjust the exposure time(Shutter speed). | | | |
| Analog Gain | Adjust the Analog gain. | | | |
| White Balance Gain | Adjust the white balance gain of R / G / B. | | | |
| Black Level | Adjust the black level correction. | | | |
| Defect Pixel | Set enable / disable of defect correction. | | | |
| LSC (Lens Shading Correction) | Set enable / disable of lens shading correction Select the correction table. | | | |

*To reset the Sensor adjustment value to the default value, press the reset button of CA378-AOIS_USB3-IFB or disconnect the USB cable, and start the imaging application (CA_ViewER.exe).



2) Adjust the following parameters on the Expansion tab.

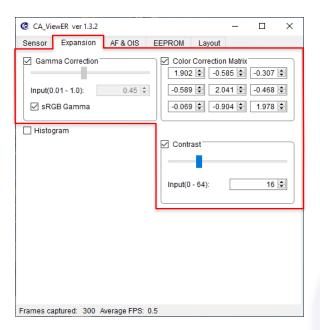
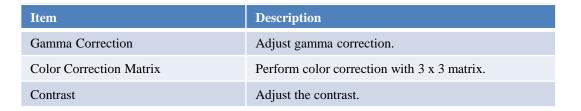


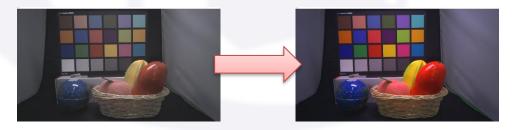
Figure 4.2. Expansion tab parameter adjustment

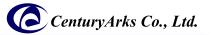


Enable gamma correction



Enable Color Correction Matrix





3) Adjust the following parameters on the AF & OIS tab.

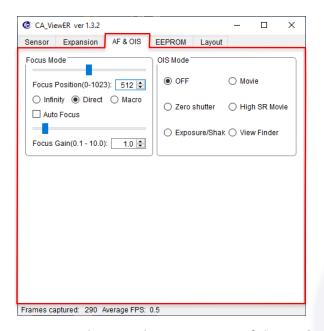
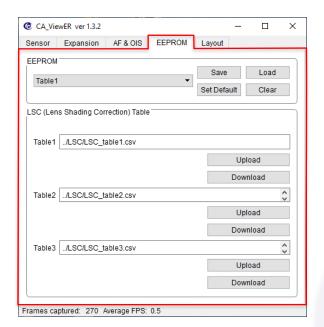


Figure 4.3. Adjusting the parameters of the AF & OIS tab

| 項目 | 説明 |
|---------------|--|
| Focus Mode | Focus Position: Specify the focus position. Each radio button Infinity: Set the focus position to infinity. Direct: Directly specifies the focus position. Macro: Set the focus position to a short distance. Auto Focus: Turns auto focus ON / OFF. Focus Gain: Adjust the autofocus gain. |
| OIS Mode | OFF: Disable OIS. Zero Shutter: It takes no time for exposure to start. It is suitable for realizing Zero Shutter Lag. Movie: It is easy to follow the movement of the camera, and it is suitable for active motion targets. High SR Movie: It is difficult to follow the movement of the camera, so it is suitable for inactive subjects. View Finder: Exposure Shake: Use View Finder mode and Exposure mode in combination. Since the lens moves to the center just before the exposure is started, the effective range of OIS is wide and the influence of optical distortion is small. |



4) Adjust the following parameters on the EEPROM tab.



| Item | Description |
|--|--|
| EEPROM | Select Table 1-16 in the combo box. Use the Save button to write the adjustment parameters to the EEPROM. Use the Load button to read the adjustment parameters from the EEPROM. Set the table number at startup with the Set Default button. Clear the adjustment parameters from the EEPROM with the Clear button. |
| LSC (Lens Shading Correction) Table | Specify the path and write the lens shading table to the EEPROM with the Upload button. Specify the path, read the lens shading table from the EEPROM with the download button, and save it in a file. |

Figure 4.4. Parameter Adjustment of EEPROM Tab



5) Adjust the following parameters on the Layout tab.

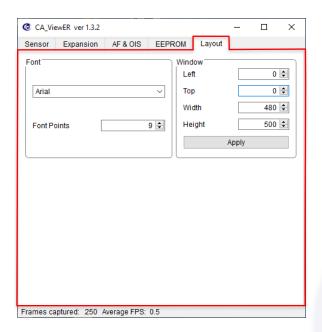


Figure 4.5. Parameter Adjustment of Layout Tab

| Item | Description |
|--------|--|
| Font | Select a font in the combo box. Font Points: Adjust font size. |
| Window | Left: Adjust the left position of the window. Top: Adjust the upper position of the window. Width: Adjust the width of the window. Height: Adjust the height of the window. Apply with Apply button. |



6) Still images and movies are saved in the CA_ViewER folder in the following format.

raw10_yyyymmdd_hhmmss.bmp video_raw10_yyyymmdd_hhmmss.avi Example: raw10_20190712_190624.bmp video_raw10_20190712_190651.avi

rgb_yyymmdd_hhmmss.tif video_rgb_yyyymmdd_hhmmss.avi

rgb_20190712_190624.tif video_rgb_20190712_190651.avi

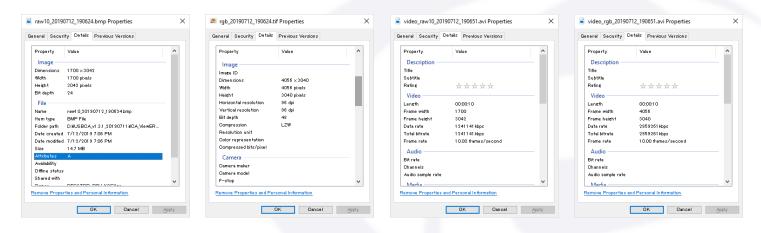


Figure 4.6. File format

* The maximum number of frames that can be saved in the AVI file is as follows because of size limit of 4 GB.

4056 x 3040: 116 frame 3840 x 2160: 172 frame 1920 x 1080: 690 frame 640 x 480: 4660 frame



There is a sample program to convert from RAW 10 to RGB in the SampleProgram folder. Please refer to the following RAW2RGB.bat for usage.

The folder structure is as follows.

1) If you ran "RAW2RGB. Bat" in the bin folder, an image will be created with the sample program.

 $RAW2RGB.exe \hbox{-i raw 10_sample_3M.bmp-orgb24_sample_3M.bmp-offset 16-gain 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 -gamma 0.45-interp 1-flip 1-f$

The parameters are as follows.

| Option | Description |
|---------|--|
| -i | Input file name (RAW 10 file) |
| -О | Output file name (RGB file) |
| -offset | Offset Subtraction |
| -gain | Gain adjustment of R / G / B (software) |
| -gamma | Gamma correction (default 0.45) |
| -interp | 0: Nearest neighbor1: Bilinear interpolation (bilinear interpolation) |
| -flip | No reverse Flip in the vertical direction |

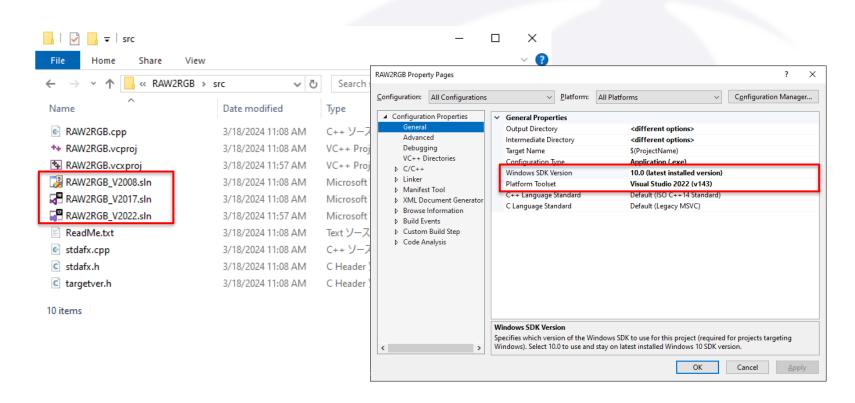


2) Since the source code of the src folder is released, it is possible to build it.

Please use the solution file (RAW2RGB_V<version>.sln) for your Visual Studio version.

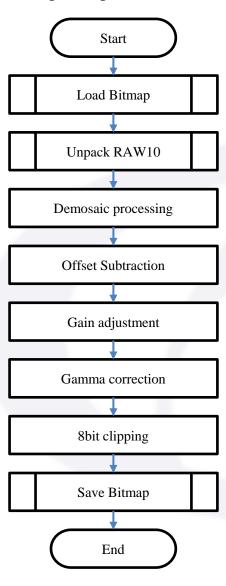
If you do not have a solution file for the version of Visual Studio you are using, please convert and use the solution file for the previous version.

Change the Windows SDK version and platform toolset according to your development environment from the properties of RAW2RGB.vcxproj.





The development process is as follows.





About RAW10 format

As shown below, 4 pixels are packed into 5 bytes and sent.

| | bit 7 | bit 6 | bit 5 | bit 4 | bit 3 | bit 2 | bit 1 | bit 0 |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1 st byte | P0[9] | P0[8] | P0[7] | P0[6] | P0[5] | P0[4] | P0[3] | P0[2] |
| 2 nd byte | P1[9] | P1[8] | P1[7] | P1[6] | P1[5] | P1[4] | P1[3] | P1[2] |
| 3 rd byte | P2[9] | P2[8] | P2[7] | P2[6] | P2[5] | P2[4] | P2[3] | P2[2] |
| 4 th byte | P3[9] | P3[8] | P3[7] | P3[6] | P3[5] | P3[4] | P3[3] | P3[2] |
| 5 th byte | P3[1] | P3[0] | P2[1] | P2[0] | P1[1] | P1[0] | P0[1] | P0[0] |

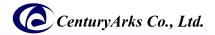
In the case of RAW10, it is necessary to send with a pixel number of 5.

For the RGB24 format, it must be sent with a multiple of 4 pixels.

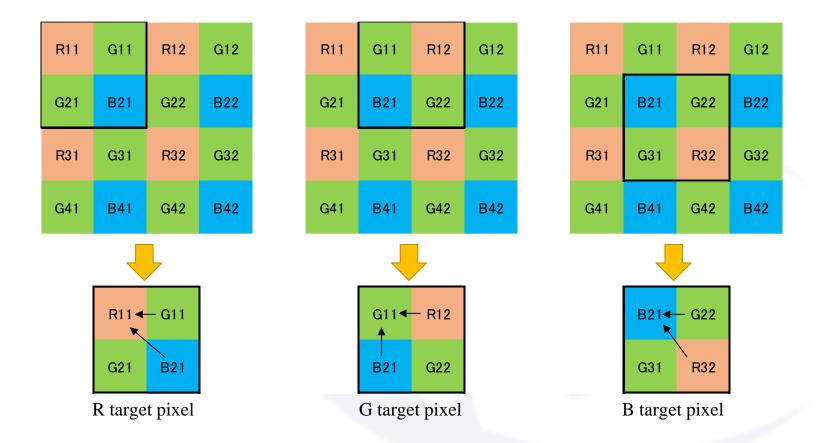
If the output size is 4056 x 3040, it will be 1700 x 3040 and the right end will be filled with 0 and the data will be sent.

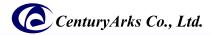
Calculating by integer operation yields the following expression.

$$((4056 / 24 * 10) / 20) + 1) * 20 = 1700$$

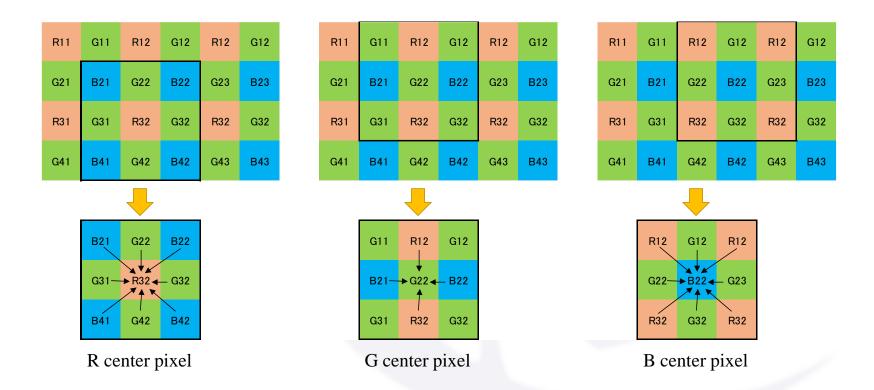


Demosaic processing (nearest neighbor method)





Demosaic processing (bilinear interpolation)





Regarding the ON / OFF of the LED, it is specified in the following condition.

However, if a system freeze or a fatal error occurs, there is a possibility that it can not be controlled.

| Status | OK | NG |
|------------------------------|------------------|-----|
| Power on | ON (3 blinks) | OFF |
| Launch imaging application | ON | OFF |
| Image transfer | ON | OFF |
| Extension Unit communication | ON | OFF |
| System error occurred | _ | OFF |
| System Freeze / Fatal Error | _ | _ |

7. About license



The development algorithm is published to the SampleProgram folder for the same source code.

We have created it using a very standard algorithm, so please use it freely.

Please refer to the source code freely because USBCAExtensionUnit is the process that prescribes the communication protocol.

CAExtensionUnit refers to Microsoft's UVC extension unit code sample. https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-hardware/drivers/stream/uvc-extension-unit-code-samples

CA_ViewER source code is released as a BSD license to the public.

Please note that OpenCV is BSD license, Qt is GPLv3 is LGPLv3 license.



Development environment

Windows version: 10 (Version 22H2(OS Build 19045.3930))

Windows SDK version: 10.0.22621.0

Visual Studio version: 2022

Operation confirmed PC

All-in-One Desktop PC:

CPU: Intel Celeron 1.6 GHz 1.6 GHz

Memory: 4 GB

OS: 64bit Windows 10 Pro

Notebook PC:

CPU: Intel Core i5 1.6 GHz 2.11 GHz

Memory: 8 GB

OS: 64bit Windows 10 Pro

Software Disclaimer

* This software does not guarantee the operation of all Windows 10 computers.