Media Samples Guide

Overview

Samples work with Intel® Media Server Studio 2017 for Linux (hereinafter referred to as "SDK").

They demonstrate how to incorporate the SDK API into various applications.

Some samples can work with Intel® Media Server Studio – HEVC Decoder & Encoder (hereinafter referred to as "HEVC Encoder", "HEVC Decoder", "HEVC").

Not all of the samples listed below might be applicable and supported for a particular product. Make sure to check the respective release notes document for potential limitations.

What's New

- sample_encode is extended with new options:
 - P010 raw input file format and encoding into 10-bit HEVC (using HEVC SW encoding plugin).
 - -ec::p010 option for color format conversion from 8-bit to 10-bit (for 10-bit HEVC encoding using HEVC SW encoding plugin)
 - -timeout option for continuous encoding in a loop
 - -membuf option for encoding from memory buffer (sample reads several frames into memory buffer and then encodes those buffered frames)
- · Rendering improvements frame buffering is added to sample decode for smoother rendering
- VBR bitrate control mode is added to sample multi transcode
- install command is added to make for samples, make install installs samples to the default location

Package contents

Full list of available samples:

Video Decoding Sample

Console application which performs decoding of elementary compressed video stream to raw frames. Includes the following features:

- stereoscopic 3D (S3D) rendering of elementary MVC (Multi-View Video Coding) streams
- decoding of HEVC (High Efficiency Video Coding) video via HEVC Decoder
- decoding with video post processing (color conversion) of raw video sequences
- screen capturing via screen capture plugin
- Video Encoding Sample

Console application which performs encoding of raw video frames into elementary compressed stream. Includes the following features:

- video resizing
- video rotation via User Plug-in Sample

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- video rotation via User Plug-in Sample using OpenCL[™]
- encoding HEVC video via HEVC Encoder

· Video Processing Sample

Console application which performs various video processing algorithms on raw frames.

· Video Transcoding Sample

Console application which performs transcoding of elementary video stream from one compressed format to another. Includes the following features:

- multiple video streams transcoding
- · video resizing, de-interlacing
- video rotation via User Plug-in Sample
- video rotation via User Plug-in Sample using OpenCL
- video processing using VPP algorithms

· OpenCL Video Motion Estimation Sample and OpenCL Advanced Video Motion Estimation Samples

Console application which provides step-by-step guidelines on the using Intel's motion estimation extension for OpenCL standard. The motion estimation extension includes a set of host-callable functions for frame-based Video Motion Estimation.

Each sample includes:

- a readme file for each sub-sample
- source and header files for each sub-sample

Samples package has one installer for all sub-samples.

Software & Hardware Requirements

Hardware:

- Hardware requirements are the same as described in SDK Release Notes
- (Optional) HDMI* 1.4, eDP* 1.1 or similar based monitor/TV as primary display
- (Optional) Active shutter glasses

Software:

- See <msdk_install-folder>/media_server_studio_sdk_release_notes.pdf for SDK general requirements. To build Samples you additionally need the following components to be installed and properly configured on the system:
- For CentOS*:

```
$ sudo yum install gcc g++ make cmake perl libX11-devel mesa-libGL-devel
```

- Samples can be built with GCC/G++ compiler version 4.6 and CMake* version 2.8.0 or higher.
- For samples with OpenCL (Video Encoding, Video Transcoding, Video Motion Estimation, Interoperability) it is required to install Intel® Media Server Studio Code Builder and Intel® Media Server Studio Graphics Drivers.

Build Instructions

To build samples the following environment variable should be setup:

\$ export MFX HOME=/mediasdk/installation/folder

Go to the samples directory and execute build.pl script without arguments to see the help:

```
$ ./build.pl
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This script performs Samples projects creation and build.
Usage: perl build.pl --cmake=ARCH,GENERATOR,CONFIG [--clean] [--build]
Possible variants:
ARCH = intel64
GENERATOR = make
CONFIG = debug | release
Environment variables:
MFX HOME=/path/to/mediasdk/package # required
MFX VERSION="0.0.000.0000" # optional
Optional flags:
 --clean - clean build directory before projects generation / build
 --build - try to build projects before generation (requires
cmake >= 2.8.0)
Examples:
perl build.pl --cmake=intel64, make, debug [ only
generate projects ]
perl build.pl --cmake=intel64, make, debug --build [ generate
and then build ]
perl build.pl --cmake=intel64, make, debug --build --clean [ generate,
clean and build ]
```

Script invokes specified CMake* projects generator and optionally builds them (option available for cmake>=2.8.0). At the moment only make files generator for UNIX-like systems is supported. Project files will be placed in the folder named by the requested configuration; for example:

```
/__cmake
intel64.make.release
intel64.make.debug
```

To build generated project files use generator-specific approaches. For example, to build samples from make files invoke:

```
$ make -C <install-folder>/__cmake/intel64.make.release
```

With CMake older than 2.8.0 all samples can be built at once with the following command:

```
$ ./build.pl --cmake=intel64, make, release --clean --build
```

Binaries will appear in the following folder:

```
$ ls -1 __cmake/intel64.make.release/__bin/release/
sample_decode
sample_encode
sample_multi_transcode
sample_vpp
```

Running the Software

DRM backend specific notes:

• For application to work thru DRM application should be authorized to access graphics card. VA-API DRM backend supports 2 authentication models:

• The first model can be applied on the system with no installation of Graphic Server. In this case you need root privileges to run:

```
$ sudo LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$MEDIASDK_INSTALL_FOLDER/bin/x64 \
$ sample_decode h264 -i input.264 -o output.yuv -vaapi -hw
```

• The second model assumes that X server is installed and running. In this case DRM authentication will actually go thru LibVA X11 backend and, thus, thru X server which already has access to the graphic card. The only thing user should be sure in is that he is logged on to the X server (or has access) and DISPLAY environment variable is set properly. For example:

```
$ export DISPLAY=:0.0
$ sudo LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$MEDIASDK_INSTALL_FOLDER/bin/x64 \
$ sample_decode h264 -i input.264 -o output.yuv -vaapi -hw
```

• It can be noted that DRM-itself authentication can still be tried out even with running X server, but you need to remove DISPLAY environment variable and use root privileges:

```
$ export -n DISPLAY
$ sudo LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$MEDIASDK_INSTALL_FOLDER/bin/x64 \
$ sample_decode h264 -i input.264 -o output.yuv -vaapi -hw
```

X11 backend specific notes:

- To use this backend user should be sure that he is logged into X server or is allowed to make connections to the X server
- If user is allowed to use X and logged into machine remotely (thru SSH) he needs DISPLAY environment variable properly set. For example:

```
$ export DISPLAY=:0.0
$ sample_decode h264 -i input.264 -o output.yuv -vaapi -hw
```

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