

This document outlines what is new with Matrox RadiantPro CL and explains the current limitations and particularities.

It also presents last-minute information that did not make it into the manual or on-line help. Note that this help file serves to complement your manual. The information found in this file overrides your formally documented material.

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1. MIL Driver for Matrox RadiantPro CL

1.1 What's new in MIL 10 Update 7

1.1.1 Standards compliance

The MIL driver for Matrox RadiantPro CL supports the following standards:

- Camera Link® Version 2.0.
- GenICam™ Version 2.3.1.
- GenICam™ for Camera Link® (CLProtocol). Note that this requires a third-party CLProtocol communication DLL, which is supplied by the camera vendor.

1.1.2 Summary of new features

The following features are new for this release:

- New API to latch information for each grabbed frame. See `M_DATA_LATCH_*` in the online help.
- Added a second pulse for timer signals. See `M_TIMER_DURATION2` and `M_TIMER_DELAY2`.
- Added the following MIL hardware-specific example:
 - `DataLatch.cpp`. This example is located in `...\examples\board-specific\DataLatch\c++`. `DataLatch.cpp` uses the Data Latch API to latch information at each grabbed frame (such as, timestamps and quadrature encoder positions).
 - `Clprotocol.cpp`. This is a Matrox RadiantPro CL specific example. It demonstrates the use of CLProtocol and enables the use of `MdigControlFeature()` and `MdigInquireFeature()` to control camera features (parameters), as well as enabling the use of the feature browser dialog window.
 - `Enumfeatures.cpp`. This is a GenICam-specific example. It demonstrates how to enumerate all the features in your GenICam compliant device in a MIL application. The example is located in `...\examples\board-specific\enumfeatures\c++`.

1.1.3 API enhancements

- Additions to `MdigControlFeature()/MdigInquireFeature()`:
 - `M_FEATURE_ENUM_ENTRY_DISPLAY_NAME + n`. Inquires the display name of the specified enumeration entry of the specified feature, where *n* is the index into the enumerated list. See `M_FEATURE_ENUM_ENTRY_NAME` in the MIL documentation.
 - `M_STRING_ARRAY_SIZE()`. Specifies that the feature value is expressed as a string of a specified size. The `M_STRING_ARRAY_SIZE()` macro passes the size of the user-allocated buffer (first passed to the `MdigInquireFeature`'s `UserVarPtr` parameter).
- Additions to `MdigControl()/MdigInquire()`:

❖ Note that the following `ControlTypes` that can have `+ M_TIMERn` are marked below. For information about `M_TIMERn`, refer to `MdigControl()/MdigInquire()`.

<code>M_TIMER_DELAY2 + M_TIMERn</code>		Sets the delay between the end of the first active portion of the timer output signal and the start of the second pulse.
	<code>M_DEFAULT</code>	Specifies the default value. This is the same as specified in the DFC or, if not specified in the DCF, 0.
	<code>Value > 0</code>	Specifies the delay, in nsecs.
<code>M_TIMER_DURATION2 + M_TIMERn</code>		Sets the duration for the active portion of the second pulse of the timer output signal.
	<code>M_DEFAULT</code>	Specifies the default value. This is the same as specified in the DFC or, if not specified in the DCF, 0.
	<code>Value > 0</code>	Specifies the duration of the active portion of the second pulse of the timer output signal, in nsecs.

- Additions to `MdigHookFunction()`:
 - You can now hook to a GenICam feature change event.
 - `M_GC_FEATURE_CHANGE`. Hooks the function to the event that occurs when a GenICam feature value is changed on your camera. This usually occurs

when a feature or a dependent feature is written.

- Additions to MdigGetHookInfo():

The following allows you to retrieve information about a GenICam SFNC-compliant event. The following information types are only available if MdigGetHookInfo() was called from a function hooked to a GenICam event using M_GC_EVENT + M_GC_FEATURE_CHANGE. In addition, the GenICam event must be enabled using MdigControlFeature(), and the message channel must be supported by your camera.

- M_GC_FEATURE_CHANGE_NAME. Retrieves the name of the GenICam feature that changed. The UserVarPtr must point to a user allocated array of type MIL_TEXT_CHAR.
 - M_GC_FEATURE_CHANGE_NAME_SIZE. Retrieves the size of the name of the GenICam feature that changed. The UserVarPtr must point to a MIL_INT.
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2. Supported operating systems

This section lists all the operating systems that the Matrox RadientPro CL driver supports.

- 64-bit Windows® 7
 - 64-bit Windows® 8.1
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3. Location of examples (in the help file)

In the help file, the location information written at the top of examples might not be up-to-date. Use MIL Example Launcher to find an example on disk.