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Introduction

The document describes the standard and advanced camera controls for AVT GigE cameras as seen from the **AVT Vimba Viewer**.

This document applies to all AVT GigE Vision camera families and is divided into two main chapters:

- Chapter [AVT GigE camera and driver features](#) describes the features for the following camera families using AVT feature naming convention:
 - Bigeye G
 - Mako G
 - Manta
 - Prosilica GB
 - Prosilica GC
 - Prosilica GE
 - Prosilica GS
 - Prosilica GT
 - Prosilica GX
- Chapter [AVT GigE IR & scientific camera and driver features](#) describes the features for AVT's newest GigE camera, Goldeye G, using the GenICam standard feature naming convention.

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For more information on AVT GigE cameras:

<http://www.alliedvisiontec.com/emea/products/cameras/gigabit-ethernet/manta>

Note



This is the master document for all AVT GigE camera models. Some features are not available for all camera models.

Example:

- White balance is not available for monochrome cameras.

Some features are implemented in the cameras, but are not always available.

Examples:

- Color correction features are implemented in Manta, Mako G, and GT color cameras, but not the GB, GE, GC, GX cameras.
- Color Correction is supported in Manta, Mako G and GT; but it is not available in color cameras if they are operated with Bayer pixel formats, but works if debayering is done within the camera.

Document history

Version	Date	Remarks
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V2.0.0	2014-Jul-22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added Chapter AVT GigE IR & scientific camera and driver features • Created Chapter AVT GigE camera and driver features by merging camera controls and driver controls chapters of V1.0.1 of this document • Added BufferHandlingControl and StreamInformation categories, applicable for Vimba v1.3 or higher • Replaced GVCPhBInterval with GevHeartbeatTimeout and GevHeartbeatInterval, applicable for Vimba v1.3 or higher • Update the following in Chapter AVT GigE camera and driver features <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Updated PixelFormat, Hue, Saturation, and ColorTransformationControl - For Vimba Viewer v1.1.1 or higher, GevDeviceMACAddress is moved under Info - Updated ChunkModeActive, and AcquisitionFrameRateAbs - Added note on binning in BinningHorizontal and BinningVertical - Removed the EF lens controls from the document until the camera samples are available - Removed <i>FrameTrigger</i> from SyncOutSource on page 44

Table 1: Document history

Conventions used in this manual

To give this manual an easily understood layout and to emphasize important information, the following typographical styles and symbols are used:

Styles

Style	Function	Example
Bold	Highlighting important information	control
Courier	Camera feature	<code>Input</code>
Courier Italics	Possible feature values	<i>Mode</i>
Parentheses and/or blue	Links	(Link)
Text in square brackets	Camera feature type: • Enum • Command • Float • Boolean • Integer • Register • String	[Enum]

Table 2: Styles

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Meaning
R/W	Feature is read/write
R/(W)	Feature is readable, and may be writable depending upon the user privilege level
R/C	Feature is read only and constant
R	Feature is read only and may change

Symbols

Note This symbol highlights important information.



www This symbol highlights URLs for further information.
The URL itself is shown in blue.



Example:
<http://www.alliedvisiontec.com>

Additional information

AVT software

All software packages provided by AVT are **free of charge** and contain the following components:

- Drivers
- Software Development Kit (SDK) for camera control and image acquisition
- Examples based on the provided APIs of the SDK
- Documentation and release notes
- Viewer application to operate/configure the cameras

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All **software packages** (including **documentation** and **release notes**) provided by AVT can be downloaded at:



[http://www.alliedvisiontec.com/emea/support/
downloads/software.html](http://www.alliedvisiontec.com/emea/support/downloads/software.html)

Third-party software

In addition to the software provided by AVT, there are numerous GigE Vision Standard compliant third-party software options available. In general, third-party software provides increased functionality such as image processing and video recording.

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For a list of compliant third-party software, see:



[http://www.alliedvisiontec.com/emea/products/
software/third-party-software.html](http://www.alliedvisiontec.com/emea/products/software/third-party-software.html)

AVT GigE camera and driver features

This chapter lists standard and advanced camera controls, as seen from the **AVT Vimba Viewer**, for the following camera families:

- Bigeye G
- Mako G
- Manta
- Prosilica GB
- Prosilica GC
- Prosilica GE
- Prosilica GS
- Prosilica GT
- Prosilica GX

Acquisition

This group of controls relates to image acquisition.

AcquisitionAbort [Command]

Software command to stop camera from receiving frame triggers and abort the current acquisition. A partially transferred image will be completed.

AcquisitionFrameCount [Integer] R/W

Range: [1–65535] Default: 1 Units: Frames

Defines the number of frames to capture in a limited sequence of images. Used with `AcquisitionMode = MultiFrame` and `Recorder`. In `Recorder` mode, `AcquisitionFrameCount` cannot exceed `StreamHoldCapacity`.

AcquisitionFrameRateAbs [Float] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: Frames per second

When `TriggerSelector = FrameStart` and either `TriggerMode = Off` or `TriggerSource = FixedRate`, this control specifies the frame rate. Depending on the exposure duration, the camera may not achieve the frame rate set here.

AcquisitionFrameRateLimit [Float] R

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: Frames per second

The maximum frame rate possible for the current exposure duration and image format.

AcquisitionMode [Enum] R/W

Determines the behavior of the camera when acquisition start is triggered.

<i>Continuous</i>	[Default] After an acquisition start event, the camera will continuously receive frame trigger events. See TriggerSelector and TriggerSource for more information.
<i>SingleFrame</i>	The camera will only deliver a single frame trigger event. Further trigger events will be ignored until acquisition is stopped and restarted
<i>MultiFrame</i>	The camera will acquire the number of images specified by AcquisitionFrameCount. Further trigger events will be ignored until acquisition is stopped and restarted
<i>Recorder</i>	<p>The camera will continuously record images into the camera on-board memory, but will not send them to the host until an <i>AcquisitionRecord</i> trigger signal is received. Further <i>AcquisitionRecord</i> trigger events will be ignored until acquisition is stopped and restarted.</p> <p>Combined with the RecorderPreEventCount control, this feature is useful for returning any number of frames before a trigger event.</p> <p>When <i>AcquisitionRecord</i> trigger is received, the currently imaging/acquiring image will complete as normal, and then at least one more image will be taken. The memory is a circular buffer, that starts rewriting images once it is full. Its size is determined by AcquisitionFrameCount</p>

AcquisitionStart [Command]

Software command to start camera receiving frame triggers. Valid when TriggerMode = *Off*. See TriggerSelector = *FrameStart* trigger.

AcquisitionStop [Command]

Software command to stop camera from receiving frame triggers. Valid when TriggerMode = *Off*. See TriggerSelector = *FrameStart* trigger.

RecorderPreEventCount [Integer] R/W

Range:[0-65535] Default: 0 Units: Frames

Valid when AcquisitionMode = *Recorder*. The number of frames returned before the *AcquisitionRecord* trigger event, with AcquisitionFrameCount minus RecorderPreEventCount frames being returned after the *AcquisitionRecord* trigger event.

Note

At least one image must be captured after the *AcquisitionRecord* trigger event, i.e., you cannot set RecorderPreEventCount = 1, and AcquisitionFrameCount = 1.



Trigger

This group of controls relates to how an image frame is initiated or triggered.

TriggerActivation [Enum] R/W

Type of activation, for hardware triggers. This controls edge/level and polarity sensitivities.

<i>RisingEdge</i>	[Default] Rising edge trigger
<i>FallingEdge</i>	Falling edge trigger
<i>AnyEdge</i>	Rising or falling edge
<i>LevelHigh</i>	Active high signal
<i>LevelLow</i>	Active low signal

TriggerDelayAbs [Float] R/W

Range:[0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: μ s

Start-of-image can be delayed to begin some time after a trigger event is received by the camera. This feature is valid only when TriggerSource is set to external trigger (i.e. *Line1*, *Line2*). This control is a common trigger to sync with a strobe lighting source, which will inherently have some fixed setup time.

TriggerMode [Enum] R/W

Enables or disables trigger set in TriggerSelector.

<i>Off</i>	Trigger disabled
<i>On</i>	[Default] Trigger enabled

Note

If TriggerMode = *Off* and TriggerSelector = *FrameStart*, images triggered in *FixedRate* at AcquisitionFrameRateAbs.



TriggerOverlap [Enum] R/W

Permitted window of trigger activation, relative to previous frame. Does not work with Software triggering. Only external.

<i>Off</i>	[Default] Any external trigger received before a high <i>FrameTriggerReady</i> signal is ignored
<i>PreviousFrame</i>	Any external trigger received before <i>FrameTriggerReady</i> is latched and used to trigger the next frame

TriggerSelector [Enum] R/W

Selects a trigger, then use the controls {TriggerMode, TriggerSoftware, TriggerSource, TriggerActivation, TriggerOverlap, TriggerDelayAbs} to setup and read the trigger features.

<i>FrameStart</i>	[Default] The trigger which starts each image (when acquisition is running)
<i>AcquisitionStart</i>	The trigger which starts the acquisition process
<i>AcquisitionEnd</i>	The trigger which ends the acquisition process
<i>AcquisitionRecord</i>	The trigger which initiates the sending of recorded images from the camera on-board memory to the host

TriggerSoftware [Command]

Triggers an image. Valid when TriggerSource = *Software*.

TriggerSource [Enum] R/W

Determines how an image frame is initiated within an acquisition stream.

Note	An acquisition stream must be started in order to trigger/receive individual frames. For <i>Freerun</i> and <i>FixedRate</i> the first frame is synchronized to <i>AcquisitionStart</i> trigger.
	

<i>Freerun</i>	[Default] Camera runs at maximum supported frame rate depending on the exposure time and region of interest size
<i>Line1</i>	External trigger <i>Line1</i>
<i>Line2</i>	External trigger <i>Line2</i>
<i>Line3</i>	External trigger <i>Line3</i>
<i>Line4</i>	External trigger <i>Line4</i>
<i>FixedRate</i>	Camera self-triggers at a fixed frame rate defined by AcquisitionFrameRateAbs
<i>Software</i>	Software initiated image capture

BufferHandlingControl

StreamAnnounceBufferMinimum [Integer] R

Display name: Stream Announce Buffer Minimum

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Minimal number of buffers to announce to enable selected acquisition mode.

StreamAnnouncedBufferCount [Integer] R

Display name: Stream Announced Buffer Count

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Number of announced (known) buffers on this stream.

StreamBufferHandlingMode [Enum] R/W

Display name: Stream Buffer Handling Mode

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Available buffer handling modes of this stream.

Controls

BlackLevelControl

BlackLevel [Float] R/W

Range: [0–255.75] Default: 0

Black level value. Setting the Gain does not change the BlackLevel.

BlackLevelSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: All

Selects which black level is controlled by the various black level features.

CCDTemperatureOK [Integer] R

Current temperature status of the CCD sensor. Momentary temperature status of the CCD sensor. Indicates if CCD sensor has desired cooling temperature.

0	[Default] The CCD sensor may be too hot. Acquired image data may have higher noise than expected or contain erroneous pixels at long exposure times
1	The CCD sensor temperature is in the desired temperature range. Acquired image data are OK

ColorTransformationControl

This section describes features related to color transformations in the AVT GigE color cameras.

The following controls are only valid when using on-camera interpolated *PixelFormats*.

Definition The **color transformation** is a linear operation taking as input the triplet R_{in} , G_{in} , B_{in} for an RGB color pixel. This triplet is multiplied by a 3x3 matrix. This color transformation allows to change the coefficients of the 3x3 matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{out} \\ G_{out} \\ B_{out} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Gain00} & \text{Gain01} & \text{Gain02} \\ \text{Gain10} & \text{Gain11} & \text{Gain12} \\ \text{Gain20} & \text{Gain21} & \text{Gain22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} R_{in} \\ G_{in} \\ B_{in} \end{bmatrix}$$

ColorTransformationMode [Enum] R/W

Selects the mode for the color transformation.

Off [Default] No color transformation

Manual Manually set ColorTransformationValue matrix coefficients

Temp6500K Colors optimized for a surrounding color temperature 6500 K

ColorTransformationSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: RGBtoRGB

Selects which color transformation module is controlled by the various color transformation features.

ColorTransformationValue [Float] R/W

Range: [-2-2] Default: 1

Represents the value of the selected gain factor or offset inside the transformation matrix.

ColorTransformationValueSelector [Enum] R/W

Selects the gain factor or offset of the transformation matrix if ColorTransformationMode = *Manual*

Gain00 [Default] Red contribution to the **red** pixel (multiplicative factor)

Gain01 Green contribution to the **red** pixel (multiplicative factor)

Gain02 Blue contribution to the **red** pixel (multiplicative factor)

Gain10 Red contribution to the **green** pixel (multiplicative factor)

Gain11 Green contribution to the **green** pixel (multiplicative factor)

Gain12 Blue contribution to the **green** pixel (multiplicative factor)

Gain20 Red contribution to the **blue** pixel (multiplicative factor)

Gain21 Green contribution to the **blue** pixel (multiplicative factor)

Gain22 Blue contribution to the **blue** pixel (multiplicative factor)

DSPSubregion

The automatic exposure, gain, white balance, and iris features can be configured to respond only to a subregion within the image scene. This feature can be used to choose a subregion that will 'meter' the rest of the image. This feature works like the region metering on a photographic camera.

DSPSubregionBottom [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Sensor height] Default: *Sensor height*

Defines the bottom edge of the DSP subregion.

DSPSubregionLeft [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Sensor width] Default: 0

Defines the left edge of the DSP subregion.

DSPSubregionRight [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Sensor width] Default: *Sensor width*

Defines the right edge of the DSP subregion.

DSPSubregionTop [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Sensor height] Default: 0

Defines the top edge of the DSP subregion.

EdgeFilter [Enum] R/W

Image sharpness/blur. Applied post-Bayer interpolation. Only available on color PixelFormats noted with on-camera interpolation.

<i>Smooth2</i>	Most blur
<i>Smooth1</i>	Slight blur
<i>Off</i>	[Default] No blur or sharpness applied
<i>Sharpen1</i>	Slight sharp
<i>Sharpen2</i>	Most sharp

Note

EdgeFilter feature is applicable only to color models/Manta cameras except dual-tap camera models.



DefectMask

Some larger format sensors may contain defective columns. Class 1 and Class 0 sensors are available with no defective columns.

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See the AVT modular concept document, or contact your AVT sales representative for more information:



<http://www.alliedvisiontec.com/us/support/downloads/product-literature/avt-modular-concept.html>

DefectMaskColumnEnable [Enum] R/W

Defect masking replaces defective columns with interpolated values based on neighboring columns. Defective columns are detected and recorded at the factory.

Enabled

[Default] Enables masking of defective columns

Disabled

Disables masking of defective columns

DefectMaskPixelEnable [Enum] R/W

Currently NOT implemented.

Exposure

ExposureAuto [Enum] R/W

Auto algorithms use information from the camera's current image and apply the following settings to the next image. Large changes in scene lighting may require several frames for the algorithm to stabilize.

Off

[Default] The automatic mode is Off

Once

Auto-exposure occurs until target is achieved, then ExposureAuto returns to Off

<i>Continuous</i>	The exposure time will vary continuously according to the scene illumination. The auto exposure function operates according to the <code>ExposureAuto</code> and <code>DSPSubregion</code> controls
<i>other</i>	The exposure time will be controlled by an external signal appearing on <code>Line1</code> or <code>Line2</code> . In order for this feature to work, <code>TriggerSelector = FrameStart</code> and <code>TriggerSource</code> must be set to <code>Line1</code> or <code>Line2</code>

If using `ExposureAuto = Continuous`, and `GainAuto = Continuous` simultaneously, priority is given to changes in exposure until `ExposureAutoMax` is reached, at which point priority is given to changes in gain. Adding simultaneous `IrisMode = Video/DCIris/PIrisAuto` results in undefined, “race to target” behavior.

You can configure the auto exposure feature to respond only to a subregion within the image scene. This subregion can be configured with the `DSPSubregion` feature.

Note

The camera must be acquiring images in order for the auto algorithm to update.



ExposureAutoControl

ExposureAutoAdjustTol [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–50] Default: 5 Unit: Percent

Tolerance in variation from `ExposureAutoTarget` in which the auto exposure algorithm will not respond. It can be used to limit exposure setting changes to only larger variations in scene lighting.

ExposureAutoAlg [Enum] R/W

The following algorithms can be used to calculate auto exposure:

<i>Mean</i>	[Default] The arithmetic mean of the histogram of the current image is compared to <code>ExposureAutoTarget</code> , and the next image adjusted in exposure time to meet this target. Bright areas are allowed to saturate
<i>FitRange</i>	The histogram of the current image is measured, and the exposure time of the next image is adjusted so bright areas are not saturated

ExposureAutoMax [Integer] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Default: 500000 Units: μ s

The upper bound to the exposure setting in auto exposure mode. This is useful in situations where frame rate is important. This value would normally be set to something less than (as a rough estimate) 1×10^6 /(desired frame rate).

ExposureAutoMin [Integer] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Default: Camera dependent Units: μs
 The lower bound to the exposure setting in auto exposure mode.

ExposureAutoOutliers [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–1000] Default: 0 Units: 0.01% i.e. 1000 = 10%
 The total pixels from top of the distribution that are ignored by the auto exposure algorithm.

ExposureAutoRate [Integer] R/W

Range: [1–100] Default: 100 Units: Percent
 The rate at which the auto exposure function changes the exposure setting. 100% is auto exposure adjustments running at full speed, and 50% is half speed.

ExposureAutoTarget [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–100] Default: 50 Units: Percent
 The general lightness or darkness of the auto exposure feature; specifically the target mean histogram level of the image—0 being black, 100 being white.

ExposureMode [Enum] R/W

Timed [Default] The camera exposure time is set by ExposureTimeAbs

Control for exposure duration.

ExposureTimeAbs [Float] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: μs
 The sensor integration time.

Shutter [Enum] R/W

Activate or deactivate the mechanical shutter of Bigeye G-629B Cool cameras.

<i>OFF</i>	Deactivate the mechanical shutter. Use this mode, if you operate the camera with pulsed light sources
<i>On</i>	[Default] Activate the mechanical shutter. If activated, the mechanical shutter opens upon each exposure cycle and closes again, when the exposure is over. Use this mode, if you operate the camera with constant light sources, due to the full frame sensor
<i>SyncIn1</i>	Enables or disables the mechanical shutter dependent on the level of <i>LineIn1</i>
<i>SyncIn2</i>	Enables or disables the mechanical shutter dependent on the level of <i>LineIn2</i>
<i>SyncIn3</i>	Enables or disables the mechanical shutter dependent on the level of <i>LineIn3</i>
<i>SyncIn4</i>	Enables or disables the mechanical shutter dependent on the level of <i>LineIn4</i>
<i>SyncIn5</i>	Enables or disables the mechanical shutter dependent on the level of <i>LineIn5</i>

Note

The shutter feature is intended to control the exposure by means of a mechanical shutter. It should not be confused with any other exposure control feature.

The mechanical shutter is available **ONLY** on the Bigeye G-629B Cool camera.

GainControl/Gain

This feature controls the gain settings applied to the sensor.

Gain [Float] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: dB

$$G_{dB} = 20 \log \left(\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \right)$$

The gain setting applied to the sensor. For best image quality, the gain setting should be set to zero. However, in low-light situations, it may be necessary to increase the gain setting.

GainAuto [Enum] R/W

Auto algorithms use information from the camera's current image and apply the following settings to the next image. Large changes in scene lighting may require 2–3 frames for the algorithm to stabilize.

<i>Off</i>	[Default] The automatic mode is Off
<i>Once</i>	Auto-gain occurs until target is achieved, then GainAuto returns to <i>Off</i>
<i>Continuous</i>	The gain will vary continuously according to the scene illumination. The auto exposure function operates according to the <code>ExposureAutoControl</code> and <code>DSPSubregion</code> controls

If using `ExposureAuto = Continuous`, and `GainAuto = Continuous` simultaneously, priority is given to changes in exposure until `ExposureAutoMax` is reached, at which point priority is given to changes in gain. Adding simultaneous `IrisMode = Video/DCIris/PIrisAuto` results in undefined, “race to target” behavior.

You can configure the auto gain feature to respond only to a subregion within the image scene. This subregion can be configured with the `DSPSubregion` feature.

Note

The camera must be acquiring images in order for the auto algorithm to update.



GainAutoControl

GainAutoAdjustTol [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–50] Default: 5 Units: Percent

Tolerance in variation from GainAutoTarget in which the auto exposure algorithm will not respond. This feature is used to limit auto gain changes to only larger variations in scene lighting.

GainAutoMax [Float] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Units: dB

The upper bound to the gain setting in auto gain mode.

GainAutoMin [Float] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: dB

The lower bound to the gain setting in auto gain mode.

GainAutoOutliers [Integer] R/W

Range: [1–1000] Default: 0 Units: 0.01%, i.e. 1000 = 10%

The total pixels from top of the distribution that are ignored by the auto gain algorithm.

GainAutoRate [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–100] Default: 100 Units: Percent

The rate at which the auto gain function changes. A percentage of the maximum rate.

GainAutoTarget [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–100] Default: 50 Units: Percent

The general lightness or darkness of the auto gain feature. A percentage of maximum brightness.

GainRaw [Integer] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: dB

Gain value of analog A/D stage.

GainSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible value: All

Control for gain selection.

Gamma [Float] R/W

Range: Camera dependent Default: 1.00 Units: Output = (Input)^{Gamma}

Nonlinear brightness control. Applies gamma value to the raw sensor signal (via LUT).

1.00	Gamma OFF (no Gamma correction)
Values other than 1.00	Gamma ON

For Manta type A If Gamma is ON, LUT 1 is used to do the gamma transform. The original LUT values will be stored temporarily. If Gamma is ON, and you read out LUT1: you only get stored LUT values but not Gamma values. In general, Gamma values can't be read out.

If Gamma is OFF, LUT position 1 contains optional user defined LUT values.

Note

 Manta type B, Mako G, and Prosilica GT cameras have a stand-alone gamma function which does not share resources with LUTs.

Hue [Float] R/W

Range: Camera dependent Default: 0.00 Units: Degrees

Alters color of image without altering white balance. Takes float input, although rounds to integer. Only valid when using on-camera interpolated *PixelFormats*.

IODMode [Enum] R/W

Set camera to continuous or Image on Demand (IOD) mode.

<i>Continuous</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The camera requires no external exposure signal The camera generates a constant exposure time independently. The exposure time is equal to frame readout time and cannot be adjusted <p>Bigeye G-132B Cool, Bigeye G-283B Cool, and Bigeye G-1100B Cool achieve maximum frame rate in continuous mode only.</p>
<i>IOD</i>	[Default] Enables IOD mode. In this mode the camera needs an external trigger signal or a timer driven internal exposure signal
<i>LineIn1</i>	The camera is switched between <i>IOD</i> and <i>Continuous</i> mode, dependent on the level of <i>LineIn1</i>
<i>LineIn2</i>	The camera is switched between <i>IOD</i> and <i>Continuous</i> mode, dependent on the level of <i>LineIn2</i>
<i>LineIn3</i>	The camera is switched between <i>IOD</i> and <i>Continuous</i> mode, dependent on the level of <i>LineIn3</i>
<i>LineIn4</i>	The camera is switched between <i>IOD</i> and <i>Continuous</i> mode, dependent on the level of <i>LineIn4</i>
<i>LineIn5</i>	The camera is switched between <i>IOD</i> and <i>Continuous</i> mode, dependent on the level of <i>LineIn5</i>

Note

 If *Continuous* mode is activated, no external exposure signal is allowed. Set e.g. *TriggerSelector* to *FrameStart* and *TriggerSource* to an unused external trigger *Line*.

Iris

Auto iris lens support. Supported auto iris lens types (camera dependent): video, DC, and P-Iris. GT series detects lens type on power up. DC settings will not apply if P-Iris lens connected. P-Iris settings will not apply if DC-Iris lens connected.

The auto iris algorithm calculates IrisAutoTarget based on information of the current image, and applies this to the next image. Large changes in scene lighting may require 2-3 frames for the algorithm to stabilize. Adding simultaneous GainAuto = Continuous, or ExposureAuto = Continuous, to IrisMode = Video/DCIris/PIrisAuto results in undefined, “race to target” behavior.

Note

The camera must be acquiring images in order for the auto algorithm to update.



IrisAutoTarget [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–100] Default: 50 Units: Percent

Controls the general lightness or darkness of the auto iris feature; specifically the target mean histogram level of the image—0 being black, 100 being white.

IrisMode [Enum] R/W

Sets the auto iris mode.

Disabled	[Default] Disable auto iris
Video	Enable video iris. Video-type lenses only
VideoOpen	Fully open a video iris. Video-type lenses only
VideoClose	Full close a video iris. Video-type lenses only
PIrisAuto	Enable precise auto iris. P-Iris lenses only
PIrisManual	Manually control iris via LensPIrisPosition feature. P-Iris lenses only
DCIris	Enable DC auto iris. DC-Iris lenses only

IrisVideoLevel [Integer] R

Range: [0–150] Default: 0 Units: mV pp

Current video iris level, which is the strength of the video signal coming from the camera. Dependent on lens type.

Lens type	Range	Description
Video-type lenses	[0–150]	Reference voltage. This value should fall between IrisVideoLevelMin and IrisVideoLevelMax
P-Iris lenses	[0–100]	Attempts to match IrisAutoTarget
DC-Iris lenses	[0–100]	Attempts to match IrisAutoTarget

IrisVideoLevelMax [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–150] Default: *Camera dependent* Units: 10 mV
 [Manta: 13.2 mV]

Video-type lenses only. Limits the maximum driving voltage for closing the lens iris. Typically, this will be 150; however, it may vary depending on the lens reference voltage. A lower minimum value slows the adjustment time but prevents excessive overshoot.

IrisVideoLevelMin [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–150] Default: *Camera dependent* Units: 10 mV
 [Manta: 13.2 mV]

Video-type lenses only. Limits the minimum driving voltage for opening the lens iris. A higher minimum value slows the adjustment time but prevents excessive overshoot.

LensDCIris

DC-Iris lenses only.

LensDCDriveStrength [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–50] Default: 10

Lens drive voltage. Altering this changes the speed at which a DC-Iris lens operates. The lower the value, the slower the lens operates. A higher value may result in iris oscillation. The optimal value is lens dependent. Larger lenses typically require a larger drive voltage.

LensPIris

P-Iris lenses only. P-Iris allows discrete iris positions using an internal lens stepping motor.

Note

For a list of P-Iris supported lenses:



http://www.alliedvisiontec.com/fileadmin/content/PDF/Support/Application_Notes/AppNote_-_P-iris_Lenses_Supported_by_Prosilica_GT_Cameras.pdf

LensPIrisFrequency [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–1000] Default: 100 Units: Hz

Stepping motor drive rate. Lens dependent. Use value defined in GT camera user manual, or contact lens manufacturer.

LensPIrisNumSteps [Integer] R/W

Range: [1–1023] Default: 50

Maximum number of discrete iris/aperture positions. Use value defined in GT camera user manual, or contact lens manufacturer.

LensPIrisPosition [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–1022] Default: 50

Iris/aperture position. Manually control iris in PIRisManual mode, or read back iris position in PIRisAuto mode. 0 represents *fully open* and 1022 represents *fully closed* position. Values greater than LensPIrisNumSteps are ignored/not written.

LensDrive

Open loop DC 3 axis lens control.

LensDriveCommand [Enum] R/W

Setting to any non-Stop value will execute the function for LensDriveDuration and then return to *Stop*.

<i>Stop</i>	No action
<i>IrisTimedOpen</i>	Open lens iris
<i>IrisTimedClose</i>	Close lens iris
<i>FocusTimedNear</i>	Shorten working distance
<i>FocusTimedFar</i>	Lengthen working distance
<i>ZoomTimedIn</i>	Zoom in
<i>ZoomTimedOut</i>	Zoom out

LensDriveDuration [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–5000] Default: 0 Units: ms

Duration of timed lens commands.

LensVoltage [Integer] R

Range: [0–12000] Default: 0 Units: mV

Reports the lens power supply voltage.

LensVoltageControl [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–1200012000] Default: 0 Units: mV * 100001

Lens power supply voltage control. See lens documentation for appropriate voltage level. Set desired lens voltage in mV*100001. This is done to prevent users inadvertently setting an inappropriate voltage, possibly damaging the lens. If a bad value is written this control resets to 0.

LUTControl

Use of a LUT allows any function (in the form Output = F(Input)) to be stored in the camera's memory and to be applied on the individual pixels of an image at runtime.

Note*Color cameras only:*

LUTControl with single color panes will not work when binning is enabled, due to loss of color information.

LUTEnable [Boolean] R/WPossible values: True, False Default: *False*

Activates or deactivates the selected LUT.

LUTIndex [Integer] R/W

Range: $[0 - (2^{\text{LUTBitDepthIn}} - 1)]$ Default: 0

Controls the index (offset) of the coefficient to access in the selected LUT.

LUTInfo

This control provides information depending on LUTSelector.

LUTAddress [Integer] R/C

Indicates location of memory, when LUT is loaded.

LUTBitDepthIn [Integer] R/C

Display name: LUTBitLengthIn

Bit depth of the input value of the look-up table block.

LUTBitDepthOut [Integer] R/C

Display name: LUTBitLengthOut

Bit depth of the output value of the LUT block.

LUTSizeBytes [Integer] R/C

Display name: LUTSize

Size of the memory area where the LUT is located.

LUTLoad [Command]

Loads LUT from flash memory into volatile memory of the camera.

LUTMode [Enum] R/W

Selects on which pixels the selected LUT (depending on LUTSelector) will be applied.

Luminance [Default] LUT is applied on all pixels

Red LUT is applied on red pixels only

Green LUT is applied on green pixels only

Blue LUT is applied on blue pixels only

Note

To avoid confusion, especially with color cameras, we recommend the following steps:



- Configure the LUT modes.

LUTSave [Command]

Saves LUT from volatile memory into flash memory of the camera.

Note

With UserSets control (UserSetSave command) you cannot save the contents of the LUT.



LUTSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: LUT1, LUT2, LUT3, LUT4, LUT5 Default: *LUT1*

Selects which look-up table is used. These LUTs are camera specific.

LUTValue [Integer] R/W

Range: $[0 - (2^{\text{LUTBitDepthOut}} - 1)]$ Default: 4095

Returns or sets the value at entry `LUTIndex` of the LUT selected by `LUTSelector`.

NirMode [Enum] R/W

Select 3 different NIR modes. The modes differ in quantum efficiency, frame rates, and anti-blooming characteristics

<code>Off</code>	<p>[Default] NirMode set off. Acquire and readout image at same time.</p> <p>NIR sensitivity: No increased sensitivity in NIR range</p> <p>Anti-blooming characteristics: As specified by sensor manufacturer</p> <p>Usage: Best suited if you need very long exposure time</p>
<code>On_HighQuality</code>	<p>Cannot acquire and readout image at same time. The exposure time will always influence frame rate directly.</p> <p>NIR sensitivity:</p> <p>Increased NIR sensitivity, except for a very small portion of the exposure time, which is:</p> $t_{\text{NormalQE}} = \text{MIN}(4300 \mu\text{s}, \text{ExposureTimeAbs}/4)$ <p>Anti-blooming characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very good if, <code>ExposureAuto</code> = <code>Off</code> • Adaptively reduced if, <code>ExposureTimeAbs < 13200 μs</code> or <code>ExposureAuto</code> = <code>Other</code> <p>Usage: Best suited for medium length exposure times and high-dynamic range (HDR) light conditions</p>
<code>On_Fast</code>	<p>Acquire and readout image at same time.</p> <p>NIR sensitivity: Increased NIR sensitivity during total exposure time</p> <p>Anti-blooming characteristics: Reduced anti-blooming characteristics</p> <p>Usage: Best suited for low-light applications and small exposure times, when high frame rate is desired</p>

Saturation [Float] R/W

Range: [0.00–2.00]

Alters color intensity. Only valid when using on-camera interpolated `PixelFormat` – `Formats`.

0.00 Monochrome

1.00 [Default] Default saturation

2.00 Maximum possible saturation that can be applied

SubstrateVoltage

VsubValue [Integer] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: mV

CCD substrate voltage. Optimized at factory for each sensor.

Whitebalance

BalanceRatioAbs [Float] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent]

Adjusts the gain of the channel selected in the BalanceRatioSelector.
 $\text{BalanceRatioAbs} = 1.00$ means no gain is applied.

Note



The green channel gain is always 1.00, as this is the luminance/reference channel. To increase/decrease green, decrease/increase red and blue accordingly.

BalanceRatioSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Red, Blue Default: *Red*

Select the Red or Blue channel to adjust with BalanceRatioAbs.

BalanceWhiteAuto [Enum] R/W

Auto algorithms use information from the camera's current image and apply the following settings to the next image; i.e., the camera must be acquiring images in order for the auto algorithm to update. Large changes in scene lighting may require 2-3 frames for the algorithm to stabilize.

You can configure the auto white balance feature to respond only to a subregion within the image scene. This subregion can be configured with the DSPSubregion feature.

<i>Off</i>	[Default] Auto white balance is off. White balance can be adjusted directly by changing the BalanceRatioSelector and BalanceRatioAbs
<i>Once</i>	A single iteration of the auto white balance algorithm is run, and then BalanceWhiteAuto returns to <i>Off</i> . The <i>Once</i> function operates according to the ExposureAuto and DSPSubregion controls
<i>Continuous</i>	White balance will continuously adjust according to the current scene. The <i>continuous</i> function operates according to the ExposureAuto and DSPSubregion controls

BalanceWhiteAutoControl

BalanceWhiteAutoAdjustTol [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–50] Default: 5 Units: Percent

Tolerance allowed from the ideal white balance values, within which the auto white balance does not run. It is used to limit white balance setting changes to only larger variations in color.

BalanceWhiteAutoRate [Integer] R/W

Range: [1–100] Default: 100 Units: Percent

Rate of white balance adjustments, from 1 (slowest) to 100 (fastest). It is used to slow the rate of color balance change so that only longer period fluctuations affect color.

DeviceStatus

DeviceTemperature [Float] R

Units: Degree Celsius Resolution: 0.031 Accuracy: ±1 °C

Camera internal temperature.

DeviceTemperatureSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Main, Sensor

Selects the site whose temperature is reported by DeviceTemperature.

EventControl

The following table lists all the events supported by the camera:

EventData

<i>EventAcquisitionEndFrameID</i>	<i>EventLine2FallingEdgeTimestamp</i>
<i>EventAcquisitionEndTimestamp</i>	<i>EventLine2RisingEdgeFrameID</i>
<i>EventAcquisitionRecordTriggerFrameID</i>	<i>EventLine2RisingEdgeTimestamp</i>
<i>EventAcquisitionRecordTriggerTimestamp</i>	<i>EventLine3FallingEdgeFrameID</i>
<i>EventAcquisitionStartFrameID</i>	<i>EventLine3FallingEdgeTimestamp</i>
<i>EventAcquisitionStartTimestamp</i>	<i>EventLine3RisingEdgeFrameID</i>
<i>EventErrorFrameID</i>	<i>EventLine3RisingEdgeTimestamp</i>
<i>EventErrorTimestamp</i>	<i>EventLine4FallingEdgeFrameID</i>
<i>EventExposureEndFrameID</i>	<i>EventLine4FallingEdgeTimestamp</i>
<i>EventExposureEndTimestamp</i>	<i>EventLine4RisingEdgeFrameID</i>
<i>EventFrameTriggerFrameID</i>	<i>EventLine4RisingEdgeTimestamp</i>
<i>EventFrameTriggerTimestamp</i>	<i>EventOverflowFrameID</i>
<i>EventLine1FallingEdgeFrameID</i>	<i>EventOverflowTimestamp</i>
<i>EventLine1FallingEdgeTimestamp</i>	<i>EventPtpSyncLockedFrameID</i>
<i>EventLine1RisingEdgeFrameID</i>	<i>EventPtpSyncLockedTimestamp</i>
<i>EventLine1RisingEdgeTimestamp</i>	<i>EventPtpSyncLostFrameID</i>
<i>EventLine2FallingEdgeFrameID</i>	<i>EventPtpSyncLostTimestamp</i>

EventID

EventAcquisitionStart [Integer] R/C	40000
EventAcquisitionEnd [Integer] R/C	40001
EventFrameTrigger [Integer] R/C	40002
EventExposureEnd [Integer] R/C	40003
EventAcquisitionRecordTrigger [Integer] R/C	40004
EventPtpSyncLost [Integer] R/C	40005
EventPtpSyncLocked [Integer] R/C	40006
EventLine1RisingEdge [Integer] R/C	40010
EventLine1FallingEdge [Integer] R/C	40011
EventLine2RisingEdge [Integer] R/C	40012
EventLine2FallingEdge [Integer] R/C	40013
EventLine3RisingEdge [Integer] R/C	40014
EventLine3FallingEdge [Integer] R/C	40015
EventLine4RisingEdge [Integer] R/C	40016
EventLine4FallingEdge [Integer] R/C	40017
EventFrameTriggerReady [Integer] R/C	40018
EventOverflow [Integer] R/C	65534
EventError [Integer] R/C	65535

Note

If you use the message channel for event notification, you are always subscribed to EventOverflow and EventError events.



Note

- There is no mechanism to detect the loss of events during transportation.
- If misconfigured, cameras may produce lots of events—more than a PC can handle.



EventNotification [Enum] R/W

Possible values: On, Off Default: *Off*

Activates event notification on the GigE Vision message channel.

EventSelector [Enum] R/W

Selects a specific event to be enabled or disabled using EventNotification. Possible values are listed as following:

AcquisitionStart [Default]	AcquisitionEnd
FrameTrigger	ExposureEnd
AcquisitionRecordTrigger	PtpSyncLost
PtpSyncLocked	Line1RisingEdge
Line1FallingEdge	Line2RisingEdge
Line2FallingEdge	Line3RisingEdge
Line3FallingEdge	Line4RisingEdge
Line4FallingEdge	FrameTriggerReady

EventsEnable1 [Integer] R/W

Default: 0. Bit field of all events. For example:

Bit 1	EventAcquisitionStart
Bit 2	EventAcquisitionEnd
Bit 3	EventFrameTrigger
Bit 19	EventFrameTriggerReady

This is an alternative to setting each event individually using the EventNotification and EventSelector method.

GigE

BandwidthControlMode [Enum] R/W

Selects the desired mode of bandwidth control.

StreamBytesPerSecond	[Default] See the StreamBytesPerSecond feature for more information
SCPD	Stream channel packet delay expressed in timestamp counter units. This mode may be used to limit the rate of data from the camera to the host. It works by inserting a delay between successive stream channel packets, e.g. the longer the delay, the slower the data rate. This mode is NOT recommended
Both	Implements a combination of control modes. This mode is NOT recommended

ChunkModeActive [Boolean] R/W

Possible values: True, False Default: False

Enables camera to send GigE Vision Standard Protocol chunk data with an image.

Currently implemented chunk data:

[Bytes 1 – 4]	Acquisition count
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[Byte 5]

These 8 bits indicate the following EF lens settings:

- *Bit 7 (Error)*: When this bit is set to 1, the EF lens is in an error state, bits 2 – 5 indicate enumerated value of last error, and all other bits and Bytes will be 0.
- *Bit 6 (Lens attached)*: When this bit is set to 1, an EF lens is attached to camera.
- *Bit 5 (Auto focus)*: When this bit is set to 1, the EF lens manual/auto focus switch is set to the auto focus position.

- *Bits 2 – 4 (Last error):* Enumerated error value:
 - 0: No error detected
 - 1: Lens failed query by camera
 - 2: Lens communication error (can occur when removing lens)
 - 3: Lens communication error (can occur when removing lens)
 - 4: Lens remained busy for longer than 10 seconds
 - 5: Lens focus “Zero Stop” not detected
 - 6: Lens focus “Infinity Stop” not detected
- *Bits 0 – 1:* Upper 2 bits of focus percentage value (see **Byte 6**).

[Byte 6]

These 8 bits in conjunction with bits 0 – 1 of Byte 5, indicate the current focus position of the EF lens in (percentage of maximum focus range) * 10 (i.e. 1000 = 100 percent = Infinity Stop).

If the lens manual/auto focus switch is in the manual position these bits will be 0.

[Byte 7]

These 8 bits indicate the current aperture position of the EF lens in Dn. To convert Dn to FStop value, use formula: FStop = 2 (Dn – 8) /16.

[Byte 8]

These 8 bits indicate the current focal length of the EF lens in mm.

[Bytes 9 – 12] Exposure value in μ s.

[Bytes 13 – 16] Gain value in dB.

[Bytes 17 – 18]

Sync in levels. A bit field. Bit 0 is sync-in 0, bit 1 is sync-in 1, etc. A bit value of 1 = level high, and a bit value of 0 = level low.

[Bytes 19 – 20]

Sync out levels. A bit field. Bit 0 is sync-out 0, bit 1 is sync-out 1, etc. A bit value of 1 = level high, and a bit value of 0 = level low.

[Bytes 21 – 24] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 25 – 28] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 29 – 32] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 33 – 36] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 37 – 40] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 41 – 44] Chunk ID. 1000

[Bytes 45 – 48] Chunk length.

Configuration

GevIPConfigurationMode [Enum] R/W

Display name: IP Configuration Mode

Possible values: LLA, DHCP, Persistent

Current IP configuration mode.

Current

GevCurrentDefaultGateway [Integer] R

Display name: Current Default Gateway

IP address of the default Gateway of the device.

GevCurrentIpAddress [Integer] R

Display name: Current IP Address

Current IP address of the device.

GevCurrentSubnetMask [Integer] R

Display name: Current Subnet Mask

Current Subnet Mask of the device.

GVCP

Definition GVCP = GigE Vision Control Protocol

AVT GigE cameras have a sophisticated real time resend mechanism that ensures a high degree of data integrity.

GVCPCmdRetries [Integer] R/W

Display name: Command Retries

Range:[1–10] Default: 5

Controls the maximum number of resend requests that the host will attempt when trying to recover a lost packet.

GVCPCmdTimeout [Integer] R/W

Display name: Command Timeout

Range:[100–1000] Default: 250 Units: ms

Timeout waiting for an answer from the device.

GevHeartbeatInterval [Integer] R/W

Display name: Heartbeat Interval

Units: ms

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only The driver sends heartbeat packets to the camera every GevHeartbeatInterval milliseconds.

GevHeartbeatTimeout [Integer] R/W

Display name: Heartbeat Interval

Range:[500–10000] Default: 3000 Units: ms

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only The driver sends heartbeat packets to the camera. If a heartbeat packet is not received within GevHeartbeatTimeout, the camera assumes the host has closed its controlling application or is dead, and closes its stream and control channel.

This parameter may need to be increased if stepping through code in a debugger, as this prevents the driver from sending heartbeat packets.

GVCPHBInterval [Integer] R/W**Display name:** Heartbeat Interval

Units: ms

For Vimba v1.2.1 or lower

The driver sends a heartbeat request packet to the camera every GVCPHBInterval milliseconds. If the camera fails to respond to the heartbeat request, a retry is sent "GVCPCmdTimeout" ms later. After "GVCPCmdRetries" retries with no response, a camera unplugged event is returned by the driver.

Note

This parameter can be increased significantly to bypass problems when debugging applications.

**GevSCPSPacketSize [Integer] R/W**

Range: [Camera dependent] Default: Camera dependent Units: Byte

This parameter determines the Ethernet packet size. Generally, this number should be set to as large as the network card (or other involved active networking components) will allow. If this number is reduced, then CPU loading will increase. These large packet sizes (>1500) are called **jumbo packets/frames** in Ethernet terminology. If your Gigabit Ethernet network card does not support **jumbo packets/frames** of at least 8228 bytes (the camera default on power up), then you will need to reduce GevSCPSPacketSize parameter of the camera to match the maximum jumbo packet size supported by your Gigabit Ethernet interface. A GevSCPSPacketSize of 1500 is a safe setting which all GigE Ethernet network cards support.

Note

If you are seeing all *black images*, or all frames reported as StatFrameDropped and zero images reported as StatFrameDelivered, you will likely need to decrease this parameter.

**NonImagePayloadSize [Integer] R**

Units: Byte

Maximum size of chunk data, not including the image chunk, in the image block payload. If ChunkModeActive = *False*, NonImagePayloadSize = 0.

Ptp

Precision Time Protocol (PTP) manages clock synchronization of multiple devices across an Ethernet network. Once the clocks of devices such as cameras, PCs, and sensors are synchronized, future software based triggers can be synchronized within 2 µs. On AVT GigE cameras, the device clock is represented by the camera GevTimeStampValue feature.

PtpAcquisitionGateTime [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – (2⁶³-1)] Default: 0 Units: ns

PtpAcquisition trigger time. Used to schedule a synchronized software trigger on multiple PTP synchronized device. Must be set beyond current camera GevTimeStampValue. When set, image acquisition stalls. When camera GevTimeStampValue ≥ PtpAcquisitionGateTime, image acquisition resumes.

PtpMode [Enum] R/W

Controls the PTP behavior of the clock port.

<i>Off</i>	[Default] This camera's GevTimeStampValue is not synchronized with any other device
<i>Slave</i>	This camera's GevTimeStampValue is altered to align with a master device's clock
<i>Master</i>	This camera's GevTimeStampValue is the master clock. All other PTP enabled slave devices synchronize their clock to this camera
<i>Auto</i>	This camera uses the IEEE1588 best master clock algorithm to determine which device is master, and which are slaves. It may be assigned as either

PtpStatus [Enum] R

State of the PTP operation.

<i>Off</i>	[Default] Camera PtpMode set to <i>Off</i>
<i>Master</i>	This camera acting as master clock
<i>Synching</i>	PTP synchronization not yet achieved. Slave(s) are synching with master
<i>Slave</i>	PTP synchronization among devices achieved. This camera is acting as a slave to another device's master clock
<i>Error</i>	Synchronization is lost

PayloadSize [Integer] R

Total size of payload, in bytes.

- If ChunkModeActive = *True*:
PayloadSize = ImageSize + NonImagePayloadSize + 8
- If ChunkModeActive = *False*:
PayloadSize = ImageSize

Persistent

GevPersistentDefaultGateway [Integer] R/W

Display name: Persistent Default Gateway

Persistent default gateway of the device.

GevPersistentIPAddress [Integer] R/W

Display name: Persistent IP Address

Persistent IP address of the device.

GevPersistentSubnetMask [Integer] R/W

Display name: Persistent Subnet Mask

Persistent subnet mask of the device.

StreamBytesPerSecond [Integer] R/W

Range: [1,000,000 – 124,000,000 (248,000,000 for GX in LAG mode)]

Units: Bytes/s

Moderates the data rate of the camera. This is particularly useful for slowing the camera down so that it can operate over slower links such as Fast Ethernet (100-speed), or wireless networks. It is also an important control for multi-camera situations. When multiple cameras are connected to a single Gigabit Ethernet port (usually through a switch), StreamBytesPerSecond for each camera needs to be set to a value so that the sum of each camera's StreamBytes-PerSecond parameter does not exceed the data rate of the GigE port. Setting the parameter in this way will ensure that multiple camera situations work without packet collisions, i.e. data loss.

To calculate the required minimum StreamBytesPerSecond setting for a camera in any image mode, use the following formula:

StreamBytesPerSecond = Height x Width x FrameRate x Bytes per Pixel

115,000,000 is the typical maximum data rate for a GigE port. Beyond this setting, some network cards will drop packets.

Note

If you are seeing occasional frames/packets reported as StatFrameDropped/StatPacketMissed you will likely need to decrease this parameter.

StreamFrameRateConstrain [Boolean] R/W

Possible values: True, False Default: *True*

When *True*, camera automatically limits frame rate to bandwidth, determined by StreamBytesPerSecond, to prevent camera buffer overflows and dropped frames. If *False*, frame rate is not limited to bandwidth – only sensor readout time. Latter case is useful for AcquisitionMode = *Recorder* or StreamHoldEnable = *On* modes, as these modes are not bandwidth limited.

StreamHold

Normally, the camera sends data to the host computer immediately after completion of exposure. Enabling StreamHold delays the transmission of data, storing it in on-camera memory, until StreamHold is disabled.

This feature can be useful to prevent GigE network flooding in situations where a large number of cameras connected to a single host computer are capturing a single event. Using the StreamHold function, each camera will hold the event image data until the host computer disables StreamHold for each camera in turn.

StreamHoldCapacity [Integer] R

Units: Frames

The maximum number of images (for the current size and format), which can be stored on the camera when StreamHold is enabled. Used in AcquisitionMode = *Recorder*, or StreamHoldEnable = *On*. This value is different for each camera depending on the camera internal memory size and the ImageSize.

StreamHoldEnable [Enum] R/W

Control on-camera image storage; this control is like a “pause” button for the image stream.

On Images remain stored on the camera, and are not transmitted to the host

Off [Default] The image stream resumes, and any stored images are sent to the host

Timestamp

AVT GigE cameras have a very accurate **timestamp** function for timestamping images.

Note

Use PTP for synchronizing cameras.



GevTimestampControlLatch [Command]

Captures timestamp and stores in GevTimestampValue.

GevTimestampControlReset [Command]

Resets the camera’s timestamp to 0. Not possible when PtpMode = *Master* or *Slave*.

GevTimestampTickFrequency [Integer] R

Range: [0–4294967295] Default: *Camera dependent* Units: Hz
 Frequency of image timestamp. The image timestamp can be useful for determining whether images are missing from a sequence due to missing trigger events. Cameras offering clock synchronization via PTP will have a GevTimestampTickFrequency of 1,000,000,000.

GevTimestampValue [Integer] R

Units: Camera clock ticks

Value of timestamp, when latched by GevTimestampControlLatch.

IO

The control and readout of all camera inputs and outputs. The number of inputs and outputs is camera model dependent.

StatusLED

StatusLedLevels [Integer] R/W

Range: [0-4294967296] Default: 0

Status led levels in GPO mode.

Note StatusLedPolarity can invert these values.



StatusLedPolarity [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Normal, Invert

Polarity applied to the status led specified by StatusLedSelector.

StatusLedSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: StatusLed1

Select the status led to be controlled with StatusLedSource and StatusLedPolarity.

StatusLedSource [Enum] R/W

Signal source of the status led specified by StatusLedSelector.

GPO	General purpose output
AcquisitionTriggerReady	Active once the camera has been recognized by the host PC and is ready to start acquisition
FrameTriggerReady	Becomes active when the camera is in a state that will accept the next frame trigger
FrameTrigger	This is the logic trigger signal inside of the camera. It is initiated by an external trigger or software trigger
Exposing	[Default] Exposure in progress
FrameReadout	Becomes active at the start of frame readout
Imaging	Exposing or frame readout. Active when the camera is exposing or reading out frame data
Acquiring	Becomes active at the start of acquisition
LineIn1/2/3/4	External input Line1/2/3/4
CCDTemperatureOK	Only for cameras that support this feature: indicates if camera has reached the desired temperature value
Strobe1	Source is strobe timing unit

Strobe

Definition **Strobe** is an internal signal generator for on-camera clocking functions. Valid when any of the SyncOutSource is set to *Strobe1*. Strobe allows the added functionality of duration and delay, useful when trying to sync a camera exposure to an external strobe.

StrobeDelay [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: μ s
Delay from strobe trigger to strobe output.

StrobeDuration [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: μ s
Duration of strobe signal.

StrobeDurationMode [Enum] R/W

Mode of the strobe timing unit.

<i>Source</i>	[Default] Strobe duration is the same as source duration
<i>Controlled</i>	Strobe duration is set by StrobeDuration

StrobeSource [Enum] R/W

Associates the start of strobe signal with one of the following image capture events:

<i>AcquisitionTriggerReady</i>	Active once the camera has been recognized by the host PC and is ready to start acquisition
<i>FrameTriggerReady</i>	Active when the camera is in a state that will accept the next frame trigger
<i>FrameTrigger</i>	[Default] Active when an image has been initiated to start. This is the logic trigger signal inside of the camera. It is initiated by an external trigger or software trigger
<i>Exposing</i>	Active for the duration of sensor exposure
<i>FrameReadout</i>	Active for the duration of frame readout, i.e. the transferring of image data from the CCD to camera memory
<i>Acquiring</i>	Active during the acquisition stream
<i>LineIn1</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>line1</i>
<i>LineIn2</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>line2</i>
<i>LineIn3</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>line3</i>
<i>LineIn4</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>line4</i>

Note

For detailed information see the camera waveform diagrams provided in the camera manuals.



SyncIn

Signal source of the strobe timing unit. See SyncOutSource for descriptions.

SyncInGlitchFilter [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–50000] Default: 0 Units: ns

Ignores glitches on the **SyncIn** input line with pulse duration less than set value.

Note

Setting SyncInGlitchFilter value increases latency of *FrameTrigger* by same amount.



SyncInLevels [Integer] R

A 4-bit register where each bit corresponds to a specific **SyncIn** input. For example, when this value returns 2 (0010), SyncIn2 is high and all other Sync input signals are low.

SyncInSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: SyncIn1, SyncIn2, SyncIn3, SyncIn4 Default: *SyncIn1*

Select the sync-in line to control with SyncInGlitchFilter.

SyncOut

Used for synchronization with other cameras/devices or general purpose outputs.

SyncOutLevels [Integer] R/W

Output levels of hardware sync outputs, for output(s) in *GPO* mode.

Note

SyncOutPolarity can invert the SyncOutLevels.



SyncOutPolarity [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Normal, Invert Default: *Normal*

Polarity applied to the sync-out line specified by SyncOutSelector.

SyncOutSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: SyncOut1, SyncOut2, SyncOut3, SyncOut4

Default: *SyncOut1*

Selects the sync-out line to control with SyncOutSource, SyncOutPolarity.

SyncOutSource [Enum] R/W

Signal source of the sync-out line specified by SyncOutSelector.

GPO	General purpose output
AcquisitionTriggerReady	Active once the camera has been recognized by the host PC and is ready to start acquisition
FrameTriggerReady	Active when the camera is in a state that will accept the next frame trigger
Exposing	Active for the duration of sensor exposure
FrameReadout	Active during frame readout, i.e. the transferring of image data from the CCD to camera memory
Imaging	Active when the camera is exposing or reading out frame data
Acquiring	Active when acquisition start has been initiated
LineIn1	Active when there is an external trigger at Line1
LineIn2	Active when there is an external trigger at Line2
LineIn3	Active when there is an external trigger at Line3
LineIn4	Active when there is an external trigger at Line4
Strobe1	The output signal is controlled according to Strobe1 settings
CCDTemperatureOK	Only for cameras that support this feature: indicates if camera has reached the desired temperature value

Note

For detailed information see the camera waveform diagrams provided in the camera manuals.



ImageFormat

Height [Integer] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: Pixels
Height of image.

HeightMax [Integer] R

Maximum image height for the current image mode.

ImageSize [Integer] R

Size of images, in bytes, for the current format and size.

OffsetX [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: Pixels

Starting column of the readout region (relative to the first column of the sensor) in pixels.

OffsetY [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: Pixels

Starting row of the readout region (relative to the first row of the sensor) in pixels.

PixelFormat [Enum] R/W

There are various pixel data formats that AVT GigE cameras can output. Not all cameras have every mode (see the **Technical Manuals** for details):

<i>Mono8</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every byte. Monochrome. For color cameras with on-camera interpolation, luminance (Y) channel returned.
<i>Mono10</i>	Bit depth: 10. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Monochrome. For color cameras with on-camera interpolation, luminance (Y) channel returned.
<i>Mono12</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Monochrome. For color cameras with on-camera interpolation, luminance (Y) channel returned.
<i>Mono12Packed</i>	Bit depth: 12. 2 pixels of data every 3 bytes. Monochrome. Doesn't support odd Width x Height.
<i>Mono14</i>	Bit depth: 14. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Monochrome. For color cameras with on-camera interpolation, luminance (Y) channel returned.
<i>BayerGB8</i>	Bit depth: 8. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerRG8</i>	Bit depth: 8. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerGR8</i>	Bit depth: 8. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerBG8</i>	Bit depth: 8. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerBG10</i>	Bit depth: 10. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerGB12Packed</i>	Bit depth: 12. 2 pixels of data every 3 bytes. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software. Doesn't support odd Width or Height.
<i>BayerGR12Packed</i>	Bit depth: 12. 2 pixels of data every 3 bytes. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software. Doesn't support odd Width or Height.
<i>BayerGB12</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerRG12</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.

<i>BayerGR12</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>RGB8Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every three bytes. On-camera interpolated color.
<i>BGR8Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every three bytes. On-camera interpolated color.
<i>RGBA8Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every four bytes. On-camera interpolated color. Alpha channel (A) is fully opaque, 0xFF
<i>BGRA8Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every four bytes. On-camera interpolated color. Alpha channel (A) is fully opaque, 0xFF
<i>RGB12Packed</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every six bytes—R, G, B channels LSB-aligned. On-camera interpolated color.
<i>YUV411Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. 4 pixel every 6 byte. On-camera interpolated color. Data in YUV411 format.
<i>YUV422Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. 3 pixel every 6 byte. On-camera interpolated color. Data in YUV422 format.
<i>YUV444Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. 2 pixel every 6 byte. On-camera interpolated color. Data in YUV444 format.

ReverseX [Boolean] R/W

Possible values: True, False Default: *False*

Flips the image sent by device horizontally. The region of interest (ROI) is applied after flipping.

Width [Integer] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: Pixels
Width of image, in pixels.

WidthMax [Integer] R

Maximum image width for the current image mode. Horizontal binning, for example, will change this value.

ImageMode

This camera control provides the binning and the decimation (sub-sampling) features.

Definition **Binning** is the summing of charge of adjacent pixels on a sensor, giving a lower resolution image, but at full region of interest. Image sensitivity is also improved due to summed pixel charge. AVT's GigE CCD cameras have independent x, y binning.

Note

Although binning is possible with color cameras, color information is lost due to summing of different colored pixels on the Bayer filter array.



BinningHorizontal [Integer] R/W

Range: [1 – Camera dependent] Default: 1
The horizontal binning factor.

Note



Color cameras only:

Color information is lost while binning is active due to summing of adjacent different filtered pixels on the Bayer filter array.

BinningVertical [Integer] R/W

Range: [1 – Camera dependent] Default: 1
The vertical binning factor.

Note



Color cameras only:

Color information is lost while binning is active due to summing of adjacent different filtered pixels on the Bayer filter array.

DecimationHorizontal [Integer] R/W

Range: [1–8] Default: 1
Horizontal sub-sampling of the image. This reduces the *horizontal* resolution (width) of the image by the specified horizontal decimation factor. No increase in the frame rate.

1	Off
2	2 out of 4 decimation
3/4	2 out of 8 decimation
5/6/7/8	2 out of 16 decimation

DecimationVertical [Integer] R/W

Range: [1–8] Default: 1
Vertical sub-sampling of the image. This reduces the *vertical* resolution (width) of the image by the specified vertical decimation factor. Increased frame rate.

1	Off
2	2 out of 4 decimation
3/4	2 out of 8 decimation
5/6/7/8	2 out of 16 decimation

Note



Each combination of vertical binning and horizontal decimation or vice versa is possible.

Combination of horizontal binning + horizontal decimation is not possible.

Combination of vertical binning + vertical decimation is not possible.

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See the application note for more information on the decimation process:

http://www.alliedvisiontec.com/fileadmin/content/PDF/Support/Application_Notes/AppNote_-_Decimation.pdf

SensorHeight [Integer] R/C

The total number of pixel rows on the sensor.

SensorWidth [Integer] R/C

The total number of pixel columns on the sensor.

Info

GevDeviceMACAddress [Integer] R

Display name: Device MAC address

48-bit MAC address of the GVCP interface of the selected remote device.

DeviceFirmwareVersion [String] R/C

Firmware version of this AVT GigE camera.

DeviceID [String] R/C

Serial number of the camera.

DeviceUserID [String] R/W

Used for multiple-camera situations for providing meaningful labels to individual cameras.

DeviceModelName [String] R/W

Camera model name, such as *Manta G-125C*. Software should use the DevicePartNumber to distinguish between models.

DevicePartNumber [String] R/C

Manufacturer's part number.

DeviceScanType [Enum] R/C

Scan type of the camera.

DeviceVendorName [String] R/C

Manufacturer's name: *Allied Vision Technologies*.

FirmwareVerBuild [Integer] R/C

Build information.

FirmwareVerMajor [Integer] R/C

Major part of the firmware version number (part before the decimal).

FirmwareVerMinor [Integer] R/C

Minor part of firmware version number (part after the decimal).

SensorBits [Integer] R/C

Maximum bit depth of sensor.

SensorType [Enum] R/C

Type of image sensor. Monochrome or Bayer-pattern color sensor type.

SavedUserSets

AVT GigE cameras are capable of storing a number of user-specified configurations within the camera's non-volatile memory. These saved configurations can be used to define the power-up settings of the camera or to quickly switch between a number of predefined settings.

Note

LUT features cannot be saved.



To save the content of a LUT, use `Controls/LUTControl/LUTSave` or `LUTSaveAll`.

UserSetDefaultSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Default, UserSet1, UserSet2, UserSet3, UserSet4, UserSet5
On power-up or reset, this user set is loaded.

UserSetLoad [Command]

Loads camera parameters from the user set specified by `UserSetSelector`.

UserSetSave [Command]

Saves camera parameters to the user set specified by `UserSetSelector`.
The `Default` setting cannot be overwritten.

UserSetSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Default, UserSet1, UserSet2, UserSet3, UserSet4, UserSet5
Selects a user set, for loading or saving camera parameters.

Stream

Info

GVSPFilterVersion [String] R/C

Display name: GVSP Filter Version
Version of the GVSP Filter driver.

Multicast

Multicast mode allows the camera to send image data to all hosts on the same subnet as the camera. The host computer (or AVT Vimba Viewer application instance) that first enables multicast mode is the master, and controls all camera parameters. All other hosts/instances are the monitors, and can view image data only.

Note Most GigE switches support a maximum PacketSize of 1500 in multicast mode.



Note When using clients with Linux, you have to configure the IP subsystem to process Multicast IP traffic.



MulticastEnable [Boolean] R/W

Display name: Multicast Enable

Possible values: True, False Default: *False*

Enables multicast mode. In multicast mode all computers on the same subnet as the camera can receive image data from the camera Multicast IP Address.

MulticastIPAddress [Integer] R/C

Display name: Multicast IP Address

Sets the multicast IP address.

Settings

Definition GVSP = GigE Vision Streaming Protocol

GVSPAdjustPacketSize [Command]

Display name: GVSP Adjust Packet Size

Requests the packet size used to be adjusted automatically.

GVSPBurstSize [Integer] R/W

Display name: GVSP Burst Size

Range: [1–256] Default: 32 Units: GVSP Packets

Maximum number of GVSP packets to be processed in a burst.

GVSPDriverSelector [Enum] R/W

Display name: GVSP Driver Selector

Possible values: Filter, Socket Default: *Filter*

Streaming driver to be used.

GVSPHostReceiveBuffers [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Host Receive Buffers

Range: [256–2048] Default: 512

Number of buffers to be used by the network socket. Only applicable when not using the Filter Driver.

GVSPMaxLookBack [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Max Look Back

Range: [1–1024] Default: 30

Size of the look back window, in packets, when determining if a stream packet is missing. When a stream packet arrives out of order, the driver skips back GVSPMaxLookBack packets to see if the packets previous to this point have all arrived. If not, a resend is issued. A lower value allows the driver less time to assemble out-of-order packets; a larger value allows the driver more time. If the value is set too low, the driver will issue unnecessary resends. If the value is set too high and a packet truly is missing, the driver will issue a resend but the camera may no longer have the required packet in its resend buffer and the packet will be dropped. The ideal value is system dependent.

GVSPMaxRequests [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Max Requests

Range: [1–512] Default: 3

The maximum number of resend requests that the host will attempt before marking a packet dropped.

GVSPMaxWaitSize [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Max Wait Size

Range: [8–1024] Default: 100

Maximum number of received GVSP packets following a resend request to wait before requesting again.

GVSPMissingSize [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Missing Size

Range: [0–1024] Default: 512

Maximum number of simultaneous missing GVSP packets before dropping the frame (0 = OFF).

GVSPPacketSize [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Packet SizeRange: [Camera dependent] Default: Camera dependent Units: Byte
GVSP Packet size.**GVSPTiltingSize [Integer] R/W****Display name:** GVSP Tilting Size

Range: [0–1024] Default: 100

Maximum number GVSP packets received from a following frame before dropping the frame (0 = OFF).

GVSPTimeout [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Timeout

Range: [10–5000] Default: 70 Units: ms

End of stream timeout. If no stream packet received before GVSPTimeout, host requests resend, up to GVSMaxRequests times. If still no packet received from camera, packet is marked as dropped.

Statistics**Note**

The packet counts in these statistics cover the image transport. Packets used for camera control or event data are not counted. All counters are reset at AcquisitionStart.

StatFrameRate [Float] R**Display name:** Stat Frame Rate

The current actual frame rate of the camera as received by the driver.

StatFrameDelivered [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Delivered

The number of frames captured since the start of imaging.

StatFrameDropped [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Dropped

Number of frames dropped by the streaming engine due to missing packets.

StatFrameRescued [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Rescued

Number of frames successfully delivered by the streaming engine after having had missing packets.

StatFrameShoved [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Shoved

Number of frames dropped because a following frame was completed before.

StatFrameUnderrun [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Underrun

Number of frames missed due to the non-availability of a user supplied buffer.

StatLocalRate [Float] R**Display name:** Stat Local Rate

Rate at which the streaming engine is processing the frames sent by the device (frame/s).

StatPacketErrors [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Packets Errors

The number of improperly formed packets. If this number is non-zero, it suggests a possible cable or camera hardware failure.

StatPacketMissed [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Packets Missed

The number of packets missed since the start of imaging.

Note

If everything is configured correctly, this number should remain zero, or at least very low compared to StatPacketReceived.

**StatPacketReceived [Integer] R****Display name:** Stat Packets Received

Indicates the number of packets received by the driver since the start of imaging, this number should grow steadily during continuous acquisition.

StatPacketRequested [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Packets Requested

When an expected packet is not received by the driver, it is recognized as missing and the driver requests the camera to resend it. The resend mechanism ensures very high data integrity.

Note

If everything is configured correctly, this number should remain zero, or at least very low compared to StatPacketReceived.

**StatPacketResent [Integer] R****Display name:** Stat Packets Resent

The number of packets resent by the camera since the start of imaging.

StatTimeElapsed [Float] R**Display name:** Stat Time Elapsed

Elapsed time (in seconds) since the streaming was started.

StreamInformation

StreamID [String] R**Display name:** Stream ID

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Device's unique ID for the stream.

StreamType [Enum] R**Display name:** Stream Type

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Identifies the transport layer technology of the stream.

AVT GigE IR & scientific camera and driver features

AVT Goldeye is a short-wave infrared GigE camera that provides a comprehensive and advanced set of features for infrared imaging requirements. This chapter describes the standard and advanced camera controls, as seen from the AVT Vimba Viewer, for **Goldeye cameras** using the **GenICam standard feature naming convention**.

AcquisitionControl

This group of controls relates to image acquisition.

AcquisitionAbort [Command]

Software command to stop camera from receiving frame triggers and abort the current acquisition. A partially transferred image will be completed.

AcquisitionFrameCount [Integer] R/W

Range: [1–65535] Default: 1 Units: Frames

Defines the number of frames to capture in a limited sequence of images. Used with AcquisitionMode = *MultiFrame* and *Recorder*. In *Recorder* mode, AcquisitionFrameCount cannot exceed StreamHoldCapacity.

AcquisitionFrameRate [Float] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: Frames per second

When TriggerSelector = *FrameStart* and either TriggerMode = *Off* or TriggerSource = *FixedRate*, this control specifies the frame rate. Depending on the exposure duration, the camera may not achieve the frame rate set here.

AcquisitionFrameRateLimit [Float] R

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: Frames per second

The maximum frame rate possible for the current exposure duration and image format.

AcquisitionMode [Enum] R/W

Determines the behavior of the camera when acquisition start is triggered.

<i>Continuous</i>	[Default] After an acquisition start event, the camera will continuously receive frame trigger events. See TriggerSelector and TriggerSource for more information
<i>SingleFrame</i>	The camera will only deliver a single frame trigger event. Further trigger events will be ignored until acquisition is stopped and restarted
<i>MultiFrame</i>	The camera will acquire the number of images specified by AcquisitionFrameCount. Further trigger events will be ignored until acquisition is stopped and restarted
<i>Recorder</i>	<p>The camera will continuously record images into the camera on-board memory, but will not send them to the host until an <i>AcquisitionRecord</i> trigger signal is received. Further <i>AcquisitionRecord</i> trigger events will be ignored until acquisition is stopped and restarted.</p> <p>Combined with the RecorderPreEventCount control, this feature is useful for returning any number of frames before a trigger event.</p> <p>When <i>AcquisitionRecord</i> trigger is received, the currently imaging/acquiring image will complete as normal, and then at least one more image will be taken. The memory is a circular buffer, that starts rewriting images once it is full. Its size is determined by AcquisitionFrameCount</p>

AcquisitionStart [Command]

Software command to start camera receiving frame triggers. Valid when TriggerMode = *Off*. See TriggerSelector = *FrameStart* trigger.

AcquisitionStop [Command]

Software command to stop camera from receiving frame triggers. Valid when TriggerMode = *Off*. See TriggerSelector = *FrameStart* trigger.

ExposureAuto [Enum] R/W

Auto algorithms use information from the camera's current image and apply the following settings to the next image. Large changes in scene lighting may require several frames for the algorithm to stabilize.

<i>Off</i>	[Default] The automatic mode is Off
<i>Once</i>	Auto-exposure occurs until target is achieved, then ExposureAuto returns to <i>Off</i>

<i>Continuous</i>	The exposure time will vary continuously according to the scene illumination.
<i>other</i>	The exposure time will be controlled by an external signal appearing on <i>Line1</i> or <i>Line2</i> . In order for this feature to work, <i>TriggerSelector</i> = <i>FrameStart</i> and <i>TriggerSource</i> must be set to <i>Line1</i> or <i>Line2</i>

Note

The camera must be acquiring images in order for the auto algorithm to update.

**ExposureMode [Enum] R/W**

Timed [Default] The camera exposure time is set by *ExposureTime*

Control for exposure duration.

ExposureTime [Float] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: μ s
 The sensor integration time.

RecorderPreEventCount [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – 65535] Default: 0 Units: Frames

Valid when *AcquisitionMode* = *Recorder*. The number of frames returned before the *AcquisitionRecord* trigger event, with *AcquisitionFrameCount* minus *RecorderPreEventCount* frames being returned after the *AcquisitionRecord* trigger event.

Note

At least one image must be captured after the *AcquisitionRecord* trigger event, i.e., you cannot set *RecorderPreEventCount* = 1, and *AcquisitionFrameCount* = 1.

**TriggerActivation [Enum] R/W**

Type of activation, for hardware triggers. This controls edge/level and polarity sensitivities.

<i>RisingEdge</i>	[Default] Rising edge trigger
<i>FallingEdge</i>	Falling edge trigger
<i>AnyEdge</i>	Rising or falling edge
<i>LevelHigh</i>	Active high signal
<i>LevelLow</i>	Active low signal

TriggerDelay [Float] R/W

Range:[0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: μs

Start-of-image can be delayed to begin some time after a trigger event is received by the camera. This feature is valid only when TriggerSource is set to external trigger (i.e. *Line1*, *Line2*). This control is a common trigger to sync with a strobe lighting source, which will inherently have some fixed setup time.

TriggerMode [Enum] R/W

Enables or disables trigger set in TriggerSelector.

Off Trigger disabled

On [Default] Trigger enabled

Note

If TriggerMode = *Off* and TriggerSelector = *FrameStart*, images triggered in *FixedRate* at AcquisitionFrameRateAbs.



TriggerOverlap [Enum] R/W

Permitted window of trigger activation, relative to previous frame. Does not work with Software triggering. Only external.

<i>Off</i>	[Default] Any external trigger received before a high <i>FrameTriggerReady</i> signal is ignored
<i>PreviousFrame</i>	Any external trigger received before <i>FrameTriggerReady</i> is latched and used to trigger the next frame

TriggerSelector [Enum] R/W

Selects a trigger, then use the controls {TriggerMode, TriggerSoftware, TriggerSource, TriggerActivation, TriggerOverlap, TriggerDelay} to setup and read the trigger features.

<i>FrameStart</i>	[Default] The trigger which starts each image (when acquisition is running)
<i>AcquisitionStart</i>	The trigger which starts the acquisition process
<i>AcquisitionEnd</i>	The trigger which ends the acquisition process
<i>AcquisitionRecord</i>	The trigger which initiates the sending of recorded images from the camera on-board memory to the host

TriggerSoftware [Command]

Triggers an image. Valid when TriggerSource = *Software*.

TriggerSource [Enum] R/W

Determines how an image frame is initiated within an acquisition stream.

Note



An acquisition stream must be started in order to trigger/receive individual frames. For *Freerun* and *FixedRate* the first frame is synchronized to *AcquisitionStart* trigger.

<i>Freerun</i>	[Default] Camera runs at maximum supported frame rate depending on the exposure time and region of interest size
<i>Line1</i>	External trigger <i>Line1</i>
<i>Line2</i>	External trigger <i>Line2</i>
<i>Line3</i>	External trigger <i>Line3</i>
<i>Line4</i>	External trigger <i>Line4</i>
<i>FixedRate</i>	Camera self-triggers at a fixed frame rate defined by <i>AcquisitionFrameRate</i>
<i>Software</i>	Software initiated image capture

BufferHandlingControl

StreamAnnounceBufferMinimum [Integer] R

Display name: Stream Announce Buffer Minimum

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Minimal number of buffers to announce to enable selected acquisition mode.

StreamAnnouncedBufferCount [Integer] R

Display name: Stream Announced Buffer Count

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Number of announced (known) buffers on this stream.

StreamBufferHandlingMode [Enum] R/W

Display name: Stream Buffer Handling Mode

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Available buffer handling modes of this stream.

AnalogControl

SensorGain [Enum] R/W

Sets the FPA gain level.

LowGain [Default] Sets FPA gain level to low

HighGain Sets FPA gain level to high

ChunkDataControl

ChunkModeActive [Boolean] R/W

Possible values: True, False Default: *False*

Enables camera to send GigE Vision Standard Protocol chunk data with an image. The table below presents currently implemented chunk data:

[Bytes 1 – 4] Acquisition count

[Byte 5]

These 8 bits indicate the following EF lens settings:

- *Bit 7 (Error)*: When this bit is set to 1, the EF lens is in an error state, bits 2 – 5 indicate enumerated value of last error, and all other bits and bytes will be 0.
- *Bit 6 (Lens attached)*: When this bit is set to 1, an EF lens is attached to camera.
- *Bit 5 (Auto focus)*: When this bit is set to 1, the EF lens manual/auto focus switch is set to the auto focus position.
- *Bits 2 – 4 (Last error)*: Enumerated error value:
 - 0: No error detected
 - 1: Lens failed query by camera
 - 2: Lens communication error (can occur when removing lens)
 - 3: Lens communication error (can occur when removing lens)
 - 4: Lens remained busy for longer than 10 seconds
 - 5: Lens focus “Zero Stop” not detected
 - 6: Lens focus “Infinity Stop” not detected
- *Bits 0 – 1*: Upper 2 bits of focus percentage value (see **Byte 6**).

[Byte 6]

These 8 bits in conjunction with bits 0 – 1 of Byte 5, indicate the current focus position of the EF lens in (percentage of maximum focus range) * 10 (i.e. 1000 = 100 percent = Infinity Stop).

If the lens manual/auto focus switch is in the manual position these bits will be 0.

[Byte 7]

These 8 bits indicate the current aperture position of the EF lens in Dn. To convert Dn to FStop value, use formula: FStop = 2 (Dn – 8) / 16.

[Byte 8]

These 8 bits indicate the current focal length of the EF lens in mm.

[Bytes 9 – 12] Exposure value in μ s.

[Bytes 13 – 16] Gain value in dB.

[Bytes 17 – 18]

Sync in levels. A bit field. Bit 0 is sync-in 0, bit 1 is sync-in 1, etc. A bit value of 1 = level high, and a bit value of 0 = level low.

[Bytes 19 – 20]

Sync out levels. A bit field. Bit 0 is sync-out 0, bit 1 is sync-out 1, etc. A bit value of 1 = level high, and a bit value of 0 = level low.

[Bytes 21 – 24] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 25 – 28] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 29 – 32] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 33 – 36] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 37 – 40] Reserved. 0

[Bytes 41 – 44] Chunk ID. 1000

[Bytes 45 – 48] Chunk length.

NonImagePayloadSize [Integer] R

Units: Byte

Maximum size of chunk data, not including the image chunk, in the image block payload. If `ChunkModeActive = False`, `NonImagePayloadSize = 0`.

DeviceControl

DeviceFirmwareVersion [String] R/C

Firmware version of the AVT Goldeye camera.

DeviceLinkSelector [Integer] R/W

Selects which link of the device to control.

DeviceLinkThroughputLimit [Integer] R/W

Range: [1,000,000 – 124,000,000]

Units: Bytes/s

Moderates the data rate of the camera. This is particularly useful for slowing the camera down so that it can operate over slower links such as Fast Ethernet (100-speed), or wireless networks. It is also an important control for multi-camera situations. When multiple cameras are connected to a single Gigabit Ethernet port (usually through a switch), `DeviceLinkThroughputLimit` for each camera needs to be set to a value so that the sum of each camera's `DeviceLinkThroughputLimit` parameter does not exceed the data rate of the GigE port. Setting the parameter in this way will ensure that multiple camera situations work without packet collisions, i.e. data loss.

To calculate the required minimum `DeviceLinkThroughputLimit` setting for a camera in any image mode, use the following formula:

$$\text{DeviceLinkThroughputLimit} = \text{Height} \times \text{Width} \times \text{FrameRate} \times \text{Bytes per Pixel}$$

115,000,000 is the typical maximum data rate for a GigE port. Beyond this setting, some network cards will drop packets.

Note



If you are seeing occasional frames/packets reported as `StatFrameDropped/StatPacketMissed` you will likely need to decrease this parameter.

DeviceLinkThroughputLimitMode [Boolean] R/W

Possible values: On, Off

Default: *On*

When *On*, camera automatically limits frame rate to bandwidth, determined by `DeviceLinkThroughputLimit`, to prevent camera buffer overflows and dropped frames. If *Off*, frame rate is not limited to bandwidth but by sensor readout time. Latter case is useful for `AcquisitionMode = Recorder` or `StreamHoldEnable = On` modes, as these modes are not bandwidth limited.

DeviceModelName [String] R

Camera model name, such as *Goldeye G-032*. Software should use the DevicePartNumber to distinguish between models.

DeviceRelativeHumidity [Float] R

Relative humidity, in percent, measured at the location selected in DeviceRelativeHumiditySelector.

DeviceRelativeHumiditySelector [Enum] R/W

Possible value: Sensorboard

Selects the location for measuring relative humidity.

DeviceSFNCVersionMajor [Integer] R

Major part of the SFNC version number (part before the decimal).

DeviceSFNCVersionMinor [Integer] R

Minor part of the SFNC version number (part after the decimal).

DeviceSFNCVersionSubMinor [Integer] R

Subordinate part of the firmware Minor number (part after the minor).

DeviceScanType [Enum] R

Scan type of the camera.

DeviceSerialNumber [String] R

Serial number of the camera.

DeviceStreamChannelPacketSize [Integer] R/W

Range:[0 – Camera dependent] Default: 8228 Units: Byte

Specifies the stream packet size to send on the selected channel for the camera or specifies the maximum packet size supported by the receiver.

DeviceStreamChannelSelector [Integer] R/W

Range:[0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0

Selects the stream channel to control.

DeviceTLType [Enum] R/C

Defines the transport layer type: GigEVision.

DeviceTemperature [Float] R

Device temperature, in °C, measured at the location selected by DeviceTemperatureSelector.

DeviceTemperatureSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Sensor, Sensorboard, Mainboard Default: *Sensor*

Selects the location of temperature measurement points within the camera.

DeviceType [Enum] R

Type of the camera: *Transmitter*.

DeviceUserID [String] R/W

Used for multiple-camera situations for providing meaningful labels to individual cameras.

DeviceVendorName [String] R/C

Manufacturer's name: *Allied Vision Technologies*.

SensorCoolingPower [Float] R

Cooling power consumption in mW.

SensorTemperatureControlMode [Enum] R/W

Defines the control mode for the thermoelectric cooler (TEC) of the sensor.

<i>Off</i>	No sensor temperature control
<i>TemperatureControl</i> [Default]	Adapts the sensor temperature to ambient temperature automatically

SensorTemperatureControlState [Enum] R/W

Displays the state of sensor temperature control.

<i>Off</i>	Sensor cooling is off
<i>Deviated</i>	Sensor temperature deviates from the setpoint value
<i>Stable</i>	Sensor temperature is stable at the setpoint
<i>LowerLimit</i>	Cooling regulator is working at its lower limit
<i>UpperLimit</i>	Cooling regulator is working at its upper limit
<i>Alert</i>	Camera temperature above threshold temperature

SensorTemperatureSetpointActivate [Command]

Activates the currently selected SensorTemperatureSetpointSelector.

SensorTemperatureSetpointActive [Enum] R

Possible values: 1, 2, 3

Displays the active setpoint.

SensorTemperatureSetpointMode [Enum] R/W

Controls the setpoint mode for the TEC.

<i>Manual</i>	The setpoint has to be chosen manually
<i>Auto</i> [Default]	The setpoint is chosen automatically

SensorTemperatureSetpointSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: 1, 2, 3 Default: 2

Selects the setpoint to be activated.

SensorTemperatureSetpointValue [Float] R

The setpoint temperature, in °C, corresponding to the setpoint selected in SensorTemperatureSetpointSelector.

TimestampLatch [Command]

Captures timestamp and stores in TimestampLatchValue.

TimestampLatchValue [Integer] R

Units: Camera clock ticks

Value of timestamp, when latched by TimestampLatch.

TimestampReset [Command]

Resets the camera's timestamp to 0.

DigitalIOControl

LineIn

Signal source of the strobe timing unit. See LineOutSource for descriptions.

LineInGlitchFilter [Integer] R/W

Range: [0–50000] Default: 0 Units: ns

Ignores glitches on the **LineIn** input line with pulse duration less than set value.

Note

Setting LineInGlitchFilter value increases latency of *FrameTrigger* by same amount.



LineInLevels [Integer] R

A 4-bit register where each bit corresponds to a specific **LineIn** input. For example, when this value returns 2 (0010), LineIn2 is high and all other Line input signals are low.

LineInSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: LineIn1, LineIn2, LineIn3, LineIn4 Default: LineIn1
Select the *LineIn* to control with LineInGlitchFilter.

LineOut

Used for synchronization with other cameras/devices or general purpose outputs.

LineOutLevels [Integer] R/W

Output levels of hardware line outputs, for output(s) in GPO mode.

Note LineOutPolarity can invert the LineOutLevels.



LineOutPolarity [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Normal, Invert Default: *Normal*
 Polarity applied to the *LineOut* specified by *LineOutSelector*.

LineOutSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: LineOut1, LineOut2, LineOut3, LineOut4
 Default: *LineOut1*
 Selects the *LineOut* to control with *LineOutSource*, *LineOutPolarity*.

LineOutSource [Enum] R/W

Signal source of the *LineOut* line specified by *LineOutSelector*.

<i>GPO</i>	General purpose output
<i>AcquisitionTriggerReady</i>	Active once the camera has been recognized by the host PC and is ready to start acquisition
<i>FrameTriggerReady</i>	Active when the camera is in a state that will accept the next frame trigger
<i>Exposing</i>	[Default] Active for the duration of sensor exposure
<i>FrameReadout</i>	Active during frame readout, i.e. the transferring of image data from the CCD to camera memory
<i>Imaging</i>	Active when the camera is exposing or reading out frame data
<i>Acquiring</i>	Active when acquisition start has been initiated
<i>LineIn1</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>Line1</i>
<i>LineIn2</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>Line2</i>
<i>LineIn3</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>Line3</i>
<i>LineIn4</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>Line4</i>
<i>Strobe1</i>	The output signal is controlled according to <i>Strobe1</i> settings

Note For detailed information see the camera waveform diagrams provided in the camera manuals.



Strobe

Definition **Strobe** is an internal signal generator for on-camera clocking functions. Valid when any of the LineOutSource is set to *Strobe1*. Strobe allows the added functionality of duration and delay, which is useful when trying to sync a camera exposure to an external strobe.

StrobeDelay [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: μ s
Delay from strobe trigger to strobe output.

StrobeDuration [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: μ s
Duration of strobe signal.

StrobeDurationMode [Enum] R/W

Mode of the strobe timing unit.

<i>Source</i>	[Default] Strobe duration is the same as source duration
<i>Controlled</i>	Strobe duration is set by StrobeDuration

StrobeSource [Enum] R/W

Associates the start of strobe signal with one of the following image capture events:

<i>AcquisitionTriggerReady</i>	Active once the camera has been recognized by the host PC and is ready to start acquisition
<i>FrameTriggerReady</i>	Active when the camera is in a state that will accept the next frame trigger
<i>FrameTrigger</i>	[Default] Active when an image has been initiated to start. This is the logic trigger signal inside of the camera. It is initiated by an external trigger or software trigger
<i>Exposing</i>	Active for the duration of sensor exposure
<i>FrameReadout</i>	Active for the duration of frame readout, i.e. the transferring of image data from the CCD to camera memory
<i>Acquiring</i>	Active during the acquisition stream
<i>LineIn1</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>line1</i>
<i>LineIn2</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>line2</i>
<i>LineIn3</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>line3</i>
<i>LineIn4</i>	Active when there is an external trigger at <i>line4</i>

Note

For detailed information see the camera waveform diagrams provided in the camera manuals.



EventControl

EventData

The following table lists all the events supported by the camera:

EventAcquisitionEndFrameID	EventLine1RisingEdgeFrameID
EventAcquisitionEndTimestamp	EventLine1RisingEdgeTimestamp
EventAcquisitionRecordTriggerFrameID	EventLine2FallingEdgeFrameID
EventAcquisitionRecordTriggerTimestamp	EventLine2FallingEdgeTimestamp
EventAcquisitionStartFrameID	EventLine2RisingEdgeFrameID
EventAcquisitionStartTimestamp	EventLine2RisingEdgeTimestamp
EventErrorFrameID	EventLine3FallingEdgeFrameID
EventErrorTimestamp	EventLine3FallingEdgeTimestamp
EventExposureEndFrameID	EventLine3RisingEdgeFrameID
EventExposureEndTimestamp	EventLine3RisingEdgeTimestamp
EventFrameTriggerFrameID	EventLine4FallingEdgeFrameID
EventFrameTriggerTimestamp	EventLine4FallingEdgeTimestamp
EventFrameTriggerReadyFrameID	EventLine4RisingEdgeFrameID
EventFrameTriggerReadyTimestamp	EventLine4RisingEdgeTimestamp
EventLine1FallingEdgeFrameID	EventOverflowFrameID
EventLine1FallingEdgeTimestamp	EventOverflowTimestamp

EventID

EventAcquisitionStart [Integer] R/C	40000
EventAcquisitionEnd [Integer] R/C	40001
EventFrameTrigger [Integer] R/C	40002
EventExposureEnd [Integer] R/C	40003
EventAcquisitionRecordTrigger [Integer] R/C	40004
EventLine1RisingEdge [Integer] R/C	40010
EventLine1FallingEdge [Integer] R/C	40011
EventLine2RisingEdge [Integer] R/C	40012
EventLine2FallingEdge [Integer] R/C	40013
EventLine3RisingEdge [Integer] R/C	40014
EventLine3FallingEdge [Integer] R/C	40015
EventLine4RisingEdge [Integer] R/C	40016
EventLine4FallingEdge [Integer] R/C	40017
EventFrameTriggerReady [Integer] R/C	40018
EventOverflow [Integer] R/C	65534
EventError [Integer] R/C	65535

Note

If you use the message channel for event notification, you are always subscribed to EventOverflow and EventError events.



Note

- There is no mechanism to detect the loss of events during transportation.
- If misconfigured, cameras may produce lots of events—more than a PC can handle.



EventNotification [Enum] R/W

Possible values: On, Off Default: *Off*

Activates event notification on the GigE Vision message channel.

EventSelector [Enum] R/W

Selects a specific event to be enabled or disabled using EventNotification. Possible values are listed as following:

<i>AcquisitionStart</i> [Default]	<i>AcquisitionEnd</i>
<i>FrameTrigger</i>	<i>ExposureEnd</i>
<i>AcquisitionRecordTrigger</i>	<i>Line1RisingEdge</i>
<i>Line1FallingEdge</i>	<i>Line2RisingEdge</i>
<i>Line2FallingEdge</i>	<i>Line3RisingEdge</i>
<i>Line3FallingEdge</i>	<i>Line4RisingEdge</i>
<i>Line4FallingEdge</i>	<i>FrameTriggerReady</i>

EventsEnable1 [Integer] R/W

Default: 0. Bit field of all events. For example:

<i>Bit 1</i>	<i>EventAcquisitionStart</i>
<i>Bit 2</i>	<i>EventAcquisitionEnd</i>
<i>Bit 3</i>	<i>EventFrameTrigger</i>
<i>Bit 19</i>	<i>EventFrameTriggerReady</i>

This is an alternative to setting each event individually using the EventNotification and EventSelector method.

FileAccessControl

FileAccessBuffer [Register] R/W

Range: Camera dependent Units: Byte

Defines the intermediate access buffer that allows the exchange of data between the camera file storage and the application.

FileAccessLength [Integer] R/W

Range: ≥ 0 Units: Byte

Controls the length of mapping between the camera file storage and the FileAccessBuffer.

FileAccessOffset [Integer] R/W

Range: ≥ 0 Default: 0 Units: Byte

Controls the offset of mapping between the camera file storage and the FileAccessBuffer.

FileAttribute [Integer] R

Attribute of the currently selected file.

<i>Bit 0–1</i>	These two bits are used to encode the privilege level for a file. It defines the owner of the file: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = [Default] User owns the file. User can overwrite/delete the file • 1 = For factory personnel use only • 2, 3 = Reserved
<i>Bit 2–31</i>	Reserved, always 0

FileAttributeBuffer [Integer] R/(W)

Contains the attribute that will be used for newly created files when `FileOperationSelector = WriteAttribute`.

<i>Bit 0–1</i>	These two bits are used to encode the privilege level for a file. It defines who owns a file: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = [Default] User owns the file. User can overwrite/delete the file • 1 = For factory personnel use only • 2, 3 = Reserved
<i>Bit 2–31</i>	Reserved, always 0

FileDescription [String] R

Description string for currently selected file. A maximum of 32 characters are allowed, including the trailing NULL character.

FileDescriptionBuffer [String] R/W

Contains the description that will be used for newly created files when `FileOperationSelector = WriteDescription`. A maximum of 32 characters are allowed, including the trailing NULL character.

FileOpenMode [Enum] R/W

Selects the access mode in which a file is opened in the device.

<i>Read</i>	[Default] Selects read-only open mode
<i>Write</i>	Selects write-only open mode

FileOperationExecute [Command]

Executes the operation selected by `FileOperationSelector` on the selected file.

FileOperationResult [Integer] R

Presents the result of the file operation. For read or write operations, the number of successfully read/written bytes is returned.

FileOperationSelector [Enum] R/W

Selects the target operation for the selected file in the device. This operation is executed when the FileOperationExecute feature is called.

<i>Open</i>	[Default] Opens the file selected by FileSelector in the device with an access mode selected in FileOpenMode
<i>Close</i>	Closes the file selected by FileSelector in the device
<i>Read</i>	Reads " FileAccessLength" bytes from the device storage, at the file relative offset set in FileAccessOffset into FileAccessBuffer
<i>Write</i>	Writes " FileAccessLength" bytes taken from the FileAccessBuffer into the device storage at the file relative offset defined by FileAccessOffset
<i>Delete</i>	Deletes the file selected by FileSelector in the device. Note: Deleting a device file does not remove the associated FileSelector entry to allow future operation on this file
<i>WriteType</i>	Writes the FileType taken from the FileTypeBuffer into the device storage
<i>WriteAttribute</i>	Writes the FileAttribute taken from the FileAttributeBuffer into the device storage
<i>WriteDescription</i>	Writes the FileDescription taken from the FileDescriptionBuffer into the device storage

FileOperationStatus [Enum] R

Shows the status of file operation execution.

<i>Success</i>	File operation successful
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<i>Failure</i>	File operation failed
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FileSelector [Enum] R/W

Selects the target file in the device. The entries of this enumeration define the names of all files in the device that can be accessed via the file access. For example:

- DPC_000: Defect pixel correction data set 0
- NUC_001: Non-uniformity correction data set 1

FileSize [Integer] R

Represents the size of the selected file in bytes.

FileStatus [Enum] R

Possible values: Closed, Open
Presents the status of the file

FileType [Integer] R

Type of currently selected file.

FileTypeBuffer [Integer] R/(W)

Possible values:

- 0x1000 = Non-uniformity correction data
- 0x2000 = Defect pixel correction data

 Contains the type that will be used for newly created files when `FileOperationSelector = WriteType`.

GigE

Configuration

GevIPConfigurationMode [Enum] R/W

Display name: IP Configuration Mode

Possible values: LLA, DHCP, Persistent

Current IP configuration mode.

Current

GevCurrentDefaultGateway [Integer] R

Display name: Current Default Gateway

IP address of the default Gateway of the device.

GevCurrentIPAddress [Integer] R

Display name: Current IP Address

Current IP address of the device.

GevCurrentSubnetMask [Integer] R

Display name: Current Subnet Mask

Current Subnet Mask of the device.

GVCP

Definition GVCP = GigE Vision Control Protocol

AVT GigE IR and scientific cameras have a sophisticated real time resend mechanism that ensures a high degree of data integrity.

GVCPCmdRetries [Integer] R/W

Display name: Command Retries

Range:[1–10] Default: 5

Controls the maximum number of resend requests that the host will attempt when trying to recover a lost packet.

GVCPCmdTimeout [Integer] R/W**Display name:** Command Timeout

Range:[100–1000] Default: 250 Units: ms

Timeout waiting for an answer from the device.

GevHeartbeatInterval [Integer] R/W**Display name:** Heartbeat Interval

Units: ms

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only The driver sends heartbeat packets to the camera every GevHeartbeatInterval milliseconds.

GevHeartbeatTimeout [Integer] R/W**Display name:** Heartbeat Interval

Range:[500–10000] Default: 3000 Units: ms

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only The driver sends heartbeat packets to the camera. If a heartbeat packet is not received within GevHeartbeatTimeout, the camera assumes the host has closed its controlling application or is dead, and closes its stream and control channel.

This parameter may need to be increased if stepping through code in a debugger, as this prevents the driver from sending heartbeat packets.

GVCPHBIinterval [Integer] R/W**Display name:** Heartbeat Interval

Units: ms

For Vimba v1.2.1 or lower The driver sends a heartbeat request packet to the camera every GVCPHBIinterval milliseconds. If the camera fails to respond to the heartbeat request, a retry is sent “GVCPCmdTimeout” ms later. After “GVCPCmdRetries” retries with no response, a camera unplugged event is returned by the driver.

Note

This parameter can be increased significantly to bypass problems when debugging applications.

**GevSCPSPacketSize [Integer] R/W**

Range: [Camera dependent] Default: Camera dependent Units: Byte

This parameter determines the Ethernet packet size. Generally, this number should be set to as large as the network card (or other involved active networking components) will allow. If this number is reduced, then CPU loading will increase. These large packet sizes (>1500) are called **jumbo packets/frames** in Ethernet terminology. If your Gigabit Ethernet network card does not support **jumbo packets/frames** of at least 8228 bytes (the camera default on power up), then you will need to reduce GevSCPSPacketSize parameter of the camera to match the maximum jumbo packet size supported by your Gigabit Ethernet interface. A GevSCPSPacketSize of 1500 is a safe setting which all GigE Ethernet network cards support.

Note

If you are seeing all *black images*, or all frames reported as `StatFrameDropped` and zero images reported as `StatFrameDelivered`, you will likely need to decrease this parameter.

Persistent

GevPersistentDefaultGateway [Integer] R/W

Display name: Persistent Default Gateway
Persistent default gateway of the device.

GevPersistentIPAddress [Integer] R/W

Display name: Persistent IP Address
Persistent IP address of the device.

GevPersistentSubnetMask [Integer] R/W

Display name: Persistent Subnet Mask
Persistent subnet mask of the device.

ImageCorrectionControl

DefectPixelCorrection

DPCDatasetActivate [Command]

Activates the dataset that is currently indexed by `DPCDatasetSelector`.

DPCDatasetActive [Integer] R

Range: [0 – Camera dependent]

The index of the active data set, starting at 0. The maximum possible value of `DPCDatasetActive` depends on the number of valid data sets in the camera. The mapping of an index value to a specific correction data file may vary from camera to camera or after correction data modifications.

Use the `DPCDatasetSelector` and corresponding features to retrieve more information about the data sets.

DPCDatasetDescription [String] R

This text corresponds to the file description in the file system of the camera.

DPCDatasetSelector [Integer] R/W

Values: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: *Camera dependent*

Selects a data set for access. The maximum possible value of `DPCDatasetSelector` depends on the number of valid data sets in the camera. The mapping of an index value to a specific correction data file may vary from camera to camera or after correction data modifications.

DPCMode [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Off, On Default: *On*

Configures the mode of the defect pixel correction.

NonUniformityCorrection

NUCDataSetActivate [Command]

Activates the data set that is currently indexed by the NUCDataSetSelector.

NUCDataSetActive [Integer] R

Range: [0 – Camera dependent]

The index of the active data set, starting at 0. The maximum possible value depends on the number of valid data sets in the camera. The mapping of an index value to a specific correction data file may vary from camera to camera or after correction data modifications. Use the NUCDataSetSelector and corresponding features to retrieve more information about the data sets.

NUCDataSetAuto [Enum] R/W

Controls automatic selection of the NUCDataSetActive.

<i>OFF</i>	[Default] The automatic mode is off
<i>Once</i>	Auto-NUC occurs until target is achieved, then NUCDataSetAuto returns to <i>OFF</i>
<i>Continuous</i>	The non-uniformity correction will continue according to the scene illumination

NUCDataSetDescription [String] R

This text corresponds to the file description in the file system of the camera.

NUCDataSetExposureTime [Float] R

Shows the exposure time at acquisition of the data set. The data set should be selected so that the actual exposure time setting corresponds to the reference value.

NUCDataSetGain [Float] R

SensorGain setting at acquisition of the data set. The data set should be selected so that the actual sensor gain setting corresponds to the reference value.

0	SensorGain = <i>LowGain</i>
1	SensorGain = <i>HighGain</i>

NUCDataSetNodeSelector [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent]

Selects a data point of a data set for access to its properties, starting at 0. The maximum possible value depends on the number of valid data points in the data set.

NUCDataSetnodeValue [Float] R

Shows the set value of the selected data point.

NUCDataSetSelector [Integer] R/W

Values: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: *Camera dependent*
 Selects a data set for access. The maximum possible value depends on the number of valid data sets in the camera. The mapping of an index value to a specific correction data file may vary from camera to camera or after correction data modifications.

NUCDataSetTemperature [Float] R

Shows sensor temperature, in °C, at acquisition of the data set. The data set should be selected so that the actual sensor temperature is close to the reference temperature.

NUCMode [Enum] R/W

Controls the operating mode of the non-uniformity correction. Depending on the factory-provided correction data, different modes may be available.

<i>Off</i>	Non-uniformity correction is off
<i>OnePoint</i>	Only one reference point is used for correction
<i>TwoPoint</i>	[Default] Two reference points are used for correction
<i>ThreePoint</i>	Three reference points are used for correction

ImageFormatControl

Height [Integer] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: Pixels
 Height of image.

HeightMax [Integer] R

Maximum image height for the current image mode.

ImageSize [Integer] R

Size of images, in bytes, for the current format and size.

OffsetX [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: Pixels
 Starting column of the readout region (relative to the first column of the sensor) in pixels.

OffsetY [Integer] R/W

Range: [0 – Camera dependent] Default: 0 Units: Pixels
 Starting row of the readout region (relative to the first row of the sensor) in pixels.

PixelFormat [Enum] R/W

There are various pixel data formats that AVT GigE IR and scientific cameras can output. Not all cameras have every mode (see the **Technical Manuals** for details):

<i>Mono8</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every byte. Monochrome. For color cameras with on-camera interpolation, luminance (Y) channel returned.
<i>Mono10</i>	Bit depth: 10. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Monochrome. For color cameras with on-camera interpolation, luminance (Y) channel returned.
<i>Mono12</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Monochrome. For color cameras with on-camera interpolation, luminance (Y) channel returned.
<i>Mono12Packed</i>	Bit depth: 12. 2 pixels of data every 3 bytes. Monochrome. Doesn't support odd Width x Height.
<i>Mono14</i>	Bit depth: 14. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Monochrome. For color cameras with on-camera interpolation, luminance (Y) channel returned.
<i>BayerGB8</i>	Bit depth: 8. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerRG8</i>	Bit depth: 8. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerGR8</i>	Bit depth: 8. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerBG8</i>	Bit depth: 8. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerBG10</i>	Bit depth: 10. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerGB12Packed</i>	Bit depth: 12. 2 pixels of data every 3 bytes. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software. Doesn't support odd Width or Height.
<i>BayerGR12Packed</i>	Bit depth: 12. 2 pixels of data every 3 bytes. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software. Doesn't support odd Width or Height.
<i>BayerGB12</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerRG12</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>BayerGR12</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every two bytes, LSB aligned. Raw, un-interpolated color. Interpolation performed by host software.
<i>RGB8Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every three bytes. On-camera interpolated color.
<i>BGR8Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every three bytes. On-camera interpolated color.
<i>RGBA8Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every four bytes. On-camera interpolated color. Alpha channel (A) is fully opaque, 0xFF
<i>BGRA8Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. One pixel every four bytes. On-camera interpolated color. Alpha channel (A) is fully opaque, 0xFF

<i>RGB12Packed</i>	Bit depth: 12. One pixel every six bytes—R, G, B channels LSB-aligned. On-camera interpolated color.
<i>YUV411Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. 4 pixel every 6 byte. On-camera interpolated color. Data in YUV411 format.
<i>YUV422Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. 3 pixel every 6 byte. On-camera interpolated color. Data in YUV422 format.
<i>YUV444Packed</i>	Bit depth: 8. 2 pixel every 6 byte. On-camera interpolated color. Data in YUV444 format.

SensorBits [Integer] R/C

Maximum bit depth of sensor.

SensorHeight [Integer] R/C

The total number of pixel rows on the sensor.

SensorType [Enum] R/C

Type of image sensor. Monochrome or Bayer-pattern color sensor type.

SensorWidth [Integer] R/C

The total number of pixel columns on the sensor.

Width [Integer] R/W

Range: [Camera dependent] Units: Pixels
Width of image.

WidthMax [Integer] R

Maximum image width for the current image mode.

Info

GevDeviceMACAddress [Integer] R

Display name: Device MAC address

48-bit MAC address of the GVCP interface of the selected remote device.

DevicePartNumber [String] R/C

Manufacturer's part number.

FirmwareVerBuild [Integer] R/C

Build information.

FirmwareVerMajor [Integer] R/C

Major part of the firmware version number (part before the decimal).

FirmwareVerMinor [Integer] R/C

Minor part of firmware version number (part after the decimal).

Stream

Info

GVSPFilterVersion [String] R/C

Display name: GVSP Filter Version

Version of the GVSP Filter driver.

Multicast

Multicast mode allows the camera to send image data to all hosts on the same subnet as the camera. The host computer (or AVT Vimba Viewer application instance) that first enables multicast mode is the master, and controls all camera parameters. All other hosts/instances are the monitors, and can view image data only.

Note

Most GigE switches support a maximum packet size of 1500 in multicast mode.



Note

When using clients with Linux, you have to configure the IP subsystem to process Multicast IP traffic.



MulticastEnable [Boolean] R/W

Display name: Multicast Enable

Possible values: True, False Default: *False*

Enables multicast mode. In multicast mode all computers on the same subnet as the camera can receive image data from the camera Multicast IP Address.

MulticastIPAddress [Integer] R/C

Display name: Multicast IP Address

Sets the multicast IP address.

Settings

Definition **GVSP** = GigE Vision Streaming Protocol

GVSPAdjustPacketSize [Command]

Display name: GVSP Adjust Packet Size

Requests the packet size used to be adjusted automatically.

GVSPBurstSize [Integer] R/W

Display name: GVSP Burst Size

Range: [1–256] Default: 32 Units: GVSP Packets

Maximum number of GVSP packets to be processed in a burst.

GVSPDriverSelector [Enum] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Driver SelectorPossible values: Filter, Socket Default: *Filter*
Streaming driver to be used.**GVSPHostReceiveBuffers [Integer] R/W****Display name:** GVSP Host Receive Buffers

Range: [256–2048] Default: 512

Number of buffers to be used by the network socket. Only applicable when not using the Filter Driver.

GVSPMaxLookBack [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Max Look Back

Range: [1–1024] Default: 30

Size of the look back window, in packets, when determining if a stream packet is missing. When a stream packet arrives out of order, the driver skips back **GVSPMaxLookBack** packets to see if the packets previous to this point have all arrived. If not, a resend is issued. A lower value allows the driver less time to assemble out-of-order packets; a larger value allows the driver more time. If the value is set too low, the driver will issue unnecessary resends. If the value is set too high and a packet truly is missing, the driver will issue a resend but the camera may no longer have the required packet in its resend buffer and the packet will be dropped. The ideal value is system dependent.**GVSPMaxRequests [Integer] R/W****Display name:** GVSP Max Requests

Range: [1–512] Default: 3

The maximum number of resend requests that the host will attempt before marking a packet dropped.

GVSPMaxWaitSize [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Max Wait Size

Range: [8–1024] Default: 100

Maximum number of received GVSP packets following a resend request to wait before requesting again.

GVSPMissingSize [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Missing Size

Range: [0–1024] Default: 512

Maximum number of simultaneous missing GVSP packets before dropping the frame (0 = OFF).

GVSPTiltingSize [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Tilting Size

Range: [0–1024] Default: 100

Maximum number GVSP packets received from a following frame before dropping the frame (0 = OFF).

GVSPTimeout [Integer] R/W**Display name:** GVSP Timeout

Range: [10–5000] Default: 70 Units: ms

End of stream timeout. If no stream packet received before GVSPTimeout, host requests resend, up to GVSMaxRequests times. If still no packet received from camera, packet is marked as dropped.

Statistics**Note**

The packet counts in these statistics cover the image transport. Packets used for camera control or event data are not counted. All counters are reset at AcquisitionStart.

StatFrameRate [Float] R**Display name:** Stat Frame Rate

The current actual frame rate of the camera as received by the driver.

StatFrameDelivered [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Delivered

The number of frames captured since the start of imaging.

StatFrameDropped [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Dropped

Number of frames dropped by the streaming engine due to missing packets.

StatFrameRescued [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Rescued

Number of frames successfully delivered by the streaming engine after having had missing packets.

StatFrameShoved [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Shoved

Number of frames dropped because a following frame was completed before.

StatFrameUnderrun [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Frames Underrun

Number of frames missed due to the non-availability of a user supplied buffer.

StatLocalRate [Float] R**Display name:** Stat Local Rate

Rate at which the streaming engine is processing the frames sent by the device (frame/s).

StatPacketErrors [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Packets Errors

The number of improperly formed packets. If this number is non-zero, it suggests a possible cable or camera hardware failure.

StatPacketMissed [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Packets Missed

The number of packets missed since the start of imaging.

Note

If everything is configured correctly, this number should remain zero, or at least very low compared to StatPacketReceived.

StatPacketReceived [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Packets Received

Indicates the number of packets received by the driver since the start of imaging, this number should grow steadily during continuous acquisition.

StatPacketRequested [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Packets Requested

When an expected packet is not received by the driver, it is recognized as missing and the driver requests the camera to resend it. The resend mechanism ensures very high data integrity.

Note

If everything is configured correctly, this number should remain zero, or at least very low compared to StatPacketReceived.

StatPacketResent [Integer] R**Display name:** Stat Packets Resent

The number of packets resent by the camera since the start of imaging.

StatTimeElapsed [Float] R**Display name:** Stat Time Elapsed

Elapsed time (in seconds) since the streaming was started.

TransportLayerControl

BandwidthControlMode [Enum] R/W

Selects the desired mode of bandwidth control. Bandwidth allocation can be controlled by DeviceLinkThroughputLimit or by SCPD0 register. If you are not familiar with SCPD0 and how this driver uses this register, leave this feature set to DeviceLinkThroughputLimit.

<i>DeviceLinkThroughputLimit</i>	[Default] See the DeviceLinkThroughputLimit feature for more information
<i>SCPD</i>	Stream channel packet delay expressed in timestamp counter units. This mode may be used to limit the rate of data from the camera to the host. It works by inserting a delay between successive stream channel packets; for example, the longer the delay, the slower the data rate. This mode is NOT recommended
<i>Both</i>	Implements a combination of control modes. This mode is NOT recommended

PayloadSize [Integer] R

Units: Byte

Total size of payload in bytes.

- If `ChunkModeActive = True`:
 $\text{PayloadSize} = \text{ImageSize} + \text{NonImagePayloadSize} + 8$
- If `ChunkModeActive = False`:
 $\text{PayloadSize} = \text{ImageSize}$

StreamHold

Normally, the camera sends data to the host computer immediately after completion of exposure. Enabling `StreamHold` delays the transmission of data, storing it in on-camera memory, until `StreamHold` is disabled.

This feature can be useful to prevent GigE network flooding in situations where a large number of cameras connected to a single host computer are capturing a single event. Using the `StreamHold` function, each camera will hold the event image data until the host computer disables `StreamHold` for each camera in turn.

StreamHoldCapacity [Integer] R

Units: Frames

The maximum number of images (for the current size and format) that can be stored on the camera when `StreamHold` is enabled. Used in `AcquisitionMode = Recorder`, or `StreamHoldEnable = On`. This value is different for each camera depending on the camera internal memory size and the `ImageSize`.

StreamHoldEnable [Enum] R/W

Control on-camera image storage; this control is like a “pause” button for the image stream.

`On` Images remain stored on the camera, and are not transmitted to the host

`Off` [Default] The image stream resumes, and any stored images are sent to the host

UserSetControl

UserSetDefaultSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Default, UserSet1, UserSet2, UserSet3, UserSet4

Selects the user set to be loaded on power-up or reset.

UserSetLoad [Command]

Loads camera parameters from the user set specified by `UserSetSelector`.

UserSetSave [Command]

Saves camera parameters to the user set specified by `UserSetSelector`. The `Default` setting cannot be overwritten.

UserSetSelector [Enum] R/W

Possible values: Default, UserSet1, UserSet2, UserSet3, UserSet4

Selects a user set, for loading or saving camera parameters.

StreamInformation

StreamID [String] R

Display name: Stream ID

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Device's unique ID for the stream.

StreamType [Enum] R

Display name: Stream Type

For Vimba v1.3 or higher only Identifies the transport layer technology of the stream.

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