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1. Overview

The on-line documentation of the Software Development Kit and its components is divided into the following parts:

Using the SDK

This section describes how to start using the Software Development Kit.

SDK Reference

This section contains a detailed description of the SDK functions.

Appendix

This section provides additional information about data structures, parameters, error codes and return codes.

1.1. Directories structure

The default installation directory of the SDK is

“C:/Program Files (x86)/IDT/VeritasSDK V1.V2.V3”

where v1.v2.v3 is the current SDK version. The directory contains a set of sub-directories:

BIN32: it contains the 32-bit files (DLLs) that can be re-distributed with the device and your 32-bit application.

BIN64: it contains the 64-bit files (DLLs) that can be re-distributed with the device and your 64-bit application.

DOCS: it contains the SDK documentation.

INCLUDE: it contains the SDK header file (H).

Lib32: it contains the SDK lib files (32-bit).

Lib64: it contains the SDK lib files (64-bit).

SOURCE/VC: it contains the Visual C++ examples (MSVC 2008 and 2010).

1.2. Supported devices

The Software development Kit supports the following Veritas models:

- 1st and 2nd generation 4-Port controllers.
- Constellation Access Point (CAP).
- Constellation 500, 500F and 500E.
- Constellation 2400H and 2400B.

2. Using the SDK

2.1. Overview

2.1.1. Programming Languages

A C/C++ header file is included in the SDK (**LED_API.h** file in the Include sub-directory).

Most compiled languages can call functions; you will need to write your own header/import/unit equivalent based on the C header file.

The Windows driver is a DLL (LEDControl.dll) that resides in Bin32 directory. The 64 bit version may be found in the Bin64 directory.

MS Visual C++™: A Visual C++ 6.0 stub COFF library is provided (**LEDControl.lib** in the Lib32 and Lib64 sub-directories); if you are programming with Visual C++, link your application to LEDControl.lib. The DLL uses Windows standard calling conventions (_stdcall).

Borland C++ Builder™: the LEDControl.lib file is in COFF format. Borland C++ Builder requires the OMF format. To convert the library into to OMF format, run the IMPLIB Borland tool with the following syntax: "IMPLIB LEDControl.lib LEDControl.dll".

Other compilers: the Most other compilers can create a stub library for DLLs. The DLL uses Windows standard calling conventions (_stdcall).

2.1.2. Example

The routines and the parameters used in this example are described in the following topics.

```
#include "LED_API.h"
#include <stdio.h>

int main(int argc, char* argv[])
{
    LED_ENUMITEM led[8];
    int nListLen = sizeof(led)/sizeof(LED_ENUMITEM);
    int nFrq = 50, nT;
    LED_HANDLE hDev;
    LED_CAPS caps;
    LED_CFG cfg;

    // Init the IP address (broadcast)
    LedInit(0xFFFFFFFF);

    // nListLen is the length of LED_ENUMITEM array
    nListLen = LedEnumerate( &led[0], nListLen );
    // nListLen is now the number of available devices.
    if (nListLen==0) return 0;

    // Open the first device in the list.
    LedOpen( &led[0], &hDev );

    // read the capabilities
    LedGetTimingCaps( hDev, &caps );

    // read the configuration
    LedGetConfiguration( hDev, &cfg );

    nT = (int)(1000000000./((double)nFrq+0.5));

    // set the parameters
    cfg.nMode = LED_MD_INT;
    cfg.nPeriod = nT;
    cfg.nPulseWid0 = 20000; // 20 us
    cfg.nPulseWid1 = 40000; // 40 us
    cfg.nPulseWid2 = cfg.nPulseWid3 = 0;
    cfg.nDelay1 = nT/4; // delay of 1/4 of the period
    cfg.nDelay0 = cfg.nDelay2 = cfg.nDelay3 = 0;

    // Send settings to the device
    LedSetConfiguration( hDev, &cfg );

    // wait
    getchar();

    // Send reset to the device
    cfg.nPulseWid0 = cfg.nPulseWid1 = 0; // reset
    LedSetConfiguration( hDev, &cfg );

    // Close the device
    LedClose(hDev);

    return 0;
}
```


2.2. Detect a device and open it

2.2.1. Initialize the network environment

The first call into the driver may be **LedInit**. Call **LedInit** to set the IP address of the network card connected to your device. If you don't know the IP address or your devices are connected to different network adapters, set the value to 0xFFFFFFFF (or do not do anything). If the IP address is undefined, the driver will try to enumerate the devices from all the network adapters installed on your computer.

2.2.2. Enumerate/Open a device

To get the list of available devices, call **LedEnumerate**. Use the returned **LED_ENUMITEM** structure to open the device with **LedOpen**. Below a simple example of opening the first available Veritas device.

```
LED_ENUMITEM xsl[10];
int nLen = sizeof(xsl)/sizeof(LED_ENUMITEM);

// nListLen is the length of your LED_ENUMITEM array
nLen = LedEnumerate( &xsl[0], nLen );

// nListLen is now the number of cameras available.
// It may be larger than your XS_ENUMITEM array length!
if ( nLen>0 )
{
    LED_HANDLE hDev;
    // Open the first device in the list.
    LedOpen( &xsl[0], &hDev );
    // Do something...
    if ( hDev )
    {
        ...
        // Close the device.
        LedClose( hDev );
    }
}
```

The list is filled with the devices information. The info will be used to open the device and retrieve the handle. Then the handle must be used to call any other routine of the SDK.

2.3. Device timing configuration

The device configuration is stored in the opaque **LED_CFG** structure. The structure is used to read and write parameters from/to the device.

2.3.1. Read the parameters limits

Before any other operation, the user should read the LED_CAPS structure from the device.

The LED_CAPS structure returns the limits of the timing parameters that can be configured in the device. See below:

- Range of operating modes (minimum and maximum value)
- Range of period (minimum and maximum in nanoseconds).
- Range of dimming values (minimum and maximum).
- Max number of dimming presets.

The example below shows how to read the LED_CAPS structure

```
LED_HANDLE hDev;
LED_CAPS caps;
// Open the device
LedOpen( &xsl[0], &hDev );
// Do something...
if ( hDev )
{
    LedGetTimingCaps( hDev, &caps );
    // use the caps to set the limits
}
// Close the device.
LedClose( hDev );
```

2.3.2. Read/Write the device configuration

Once the parameter limits are known the user may start operating the device. To do so, read the LED_CFG structure from the device, modify the parameters with valid data and send the configuration back to the device.

```
LED_CFG cfg;

// Read the cfg from the device.
LedGetConfiguration( hDev, &cfg );

// Change configuration
cfg.nMode = LED_MD_SYNCIN;

// Send the configuration to the device
LedSetConfiguration( hDev, &cfg );
```

2.3.3. Operating mode

Each Veritas device has multiple operation modes. The minimum and maximum allowed values for this parameter can be retrieved from the LED_CAPS structure.

The table below shows the available modes.

Mode	Description
LED_MD_INT	The timing signals are generated by the internal clock. The frequency, pulse width and delays can be configured in the LED_CFG structure
LED_MD_GPS	The reference signal is externally generated by GPS. Frequency, width and delays can be configured.
LED_MD_1PPS	The reference signal is externally generated by 1PPS. Frequency, width and delays can be configured.
LED_MD_SYNC_IN	The timing signals follow an external signal connected to the sync in connector. Frequency, width and delay of the signals cannot be configured.
LED_MD_CONT_D	The output is continuous and not pulsed, without dimming.
LED_MD_CONT_ND	The output is continuous and not pulsed, with dimming. Dimming levels can be configured.
LED_MD_IRIG	The reference signal is externally generated by IRIG. Frequency, width and delays can be configured.
LED_MD_PTP	The reference signal is externally generated by PTP (IEEE1548). Frequency, width and delays can be configured.

The formulas for converting the frequency into the period is shown below

$$nFrq = (int)(1000000000./((double)nPeriodNS + 0.5));$$

The formula below shows how to convert the frame rate into nanoseconds

$$nPeriodNS = (int)(1000000000./((double)nFrq + 0.5));$$

2.3.4. Period, pulse width and delays

If the device is configured in internal, GPS, 1PPS, IRIG or PTP mode, each device channel (1 channel for the single LED models and 4 channels for the controllers) can be independently configured (pulse width and delay).

All those parameters are in nanoseconds.

A channel is off if the corresponding pulse width is set to 0.

The example below shows how to set a frequency of 100 Hz on channel 0 and turn other channels off.

```
LED_CFG cfg;
LED_CAPS caps;
int nFrq = 100
int nT = (int)(1000000000./((double)nFrq*0.5));

// Read the capabilities and the configuration
LedGetTimingCaps(hDev, &caps);
LedGetConfiguration(hDev, &cfg);

// set the parameters
cfg.nMode = LED_MD_INT;
cfg.nPeriod = nT;
cfg.nPulseWid0 = nT/2; // 50% of duty cycle;
cfg.nPulseWid1 = nT/2;
cfg.nPulseWid2 = cfg.nPulseWid3 = 0;
cfg.nDelay1 = nT/4; // delay of 1/4 of the period
cfg.nDelay0 = cfg.nDelay2 = cfg.nDelay3 = 0;

// send the configuration
LedSetConfiguration(hDev, &cfg);
```

2.3.5. Dimming levels

If the device is configured in dimming mode, each channel dimming level can be independently configured. The values of minimum and maximum dimming are retrieved from the LED_CAPS structure. The minimum value corresponds to turn the channel off, while the maximum corresponds to maximum intensity.

A channel is off if the corresponding dimming level is set to the minimum.

The example below shows how to set channel 0 and 2 to half of the maximum intensity and turn off channels 1 and 3. Once the configuration is sent to the device, the lights turn on immediately.

```
LED_CFG cfg;
LED_CAPS caps;
int nRange;

// Read the capabilities and the configuration
LedGetTimingCaps(hDev, &caps);
LedGetConfiguration(hDev, &cfg);

// set the parameters
nRange = caps.nMaxDimLevel - caps.nMinDimLevel;
cfg.nMode = LED_MD_CONT_D;
cfg.nDimLevel0 = cfg.nDimLevel2 = caps.nMinDimLevel;
cfg.nDimLevel1 = cfg.nDimLevel3 = caps.nMinDimLevel + nRange/2;

// send the configuration
LedSetConfiguration(hDev, &cfg);
```

2.3.6. Dimming presets

Veritas devices have the capability to store up to 4 dimming presets to the flash memory. The user can load a preset to the device or store a set of dimming values to one of the presets. The preset cannot store other timing values, such as frequency, pulse width or delay.

The example below shows how to store a set of dimming values to preset 0. It sets the levels to ascending values from minimum to maximum, then it sends those values to the device and saves them to preset 0.

```
LED_CFG cfg;
LED_CAPS caps;
int nRange;

// Read the capabilities and the configuration
LedGetTimingCaps(hDev, &caps);
LedGetConfiguration(hDev, &cfg);

// set the parameters
nRange = caps.nMaxDimLevel - caps.nMinDimLevel;
cfg.nMode = LED_MD_CONT_D;
cfg.nDimLevel0 = caps.nMinDimLevel + nRange/4;
cfg.nDimLevel1 = caps.nMinDimLevel + nRange/2;
cfg.nDimLevel2 = caps.nMinDimLevel + (3*nRange)/4;
cfg.nDimLevel3 = caps.nMaxDimLevel;

// send the configuration
LedSetConfiguration(hDev, &cfg);

// save current set to preset 0
LedSavePreset(hDev, 0);
```

2.3.7. Turn off the lights

When the user calls the LedClose function, the handle becomes no longer valid but the light do not turn off. The device keeps the latest configuration and does not stop the emission. To stop the light emission, the user must set to 0 the pulse widths (if the device is in a non dimming mode) or the dimming levels (if the device is in dimming mode).

3. SDK Reference

3.1. Initialization functions

3.1.1. Overview

The initialization functions allow the user to detect, open and close the devices.

LedInit initializes the IP address of the network adapter connected to the devices.

LedEnumerate detects and enumerates the Veritas devices.

LedOpen opens a Veritas device.

LedClose closes a Veritas device previously open.

3.1.2. LedInit

int LedInit (unsigned int *nNetAdpIP*)

Return values

LD_SUCCESS if successful, otherwise

LD_E_GENERIC if any error occurs during the initialization.

Parameters

nNetAdpIP

The parameter specifies the IP address of the network adapter connected to the devices.

Remarks

The routine sets the network adapter IP address. It should be called before any other routine. The *nNetAdpIP* parameter specifies the IP address of the network adapter connected to the Veritas devices. If the value is not specified or it's configured with the value 0xFFFFFFFF, the driver search fro the devices on

See also:

3.1.3. LedEnumerate

int LedEnumerate (PLED_ENUMITEM *pItemList*, int *nListLen*)

Return values

the number of detected Veritas devices

Parameters

pItemList

Specifies the pointer to an array of LED_ENUMITEM structures

nListLen

Specifies the number of LED_ENUMITEM items contained in the list

Remarks

The routine enumerates the active devices and fills the **LED_ENUMITEM** structures with information about them. The *nListLen* variable specifies the number of structures in the *pItemList* array. The routine returns the number of detected Veritas devices or zero.

See also: **LedOpen**

3.1.4. LedOpen

int LedOpen (XSULED_ENUMITEM *pItem, LED_HANDLE* pHandle)

Return values

LD_SUCCESS if successful, otherwise

L_E_OPEN, if the device cannot be open.

Parameters

pItem

Specifies the pointer to a valid LED_ENUMITEM structure

pHandle

Specifies the pointer to the variable that receives the device handle

Remarks

The routine opens the device with the *pItem* structure. The structure is retrieved by calling the **LedEnumerate** routine (see the LED_ENUMITEM structure). If any error occurs during the procedure, the routine returns an error code.

See also: **LedClose**

3.1.5. LedClose

int LedClose (LED_HANDLE *hDev*)

Return values

LD_SUCCESS if successful, otherwise

LD_E_INVALID_HANDLE, if the handle is not valid.

Parameters

hDev

Specifies the handle to an open device

Remarks

Closes an open device

See also: **LedOpen**

3.2. Configuration Functions

3.2.1. Overview

The configuration functions allow the user to control the parameters of the device.

LedGetTimigCaps gets information about the limits of the timing parameters (minimum and maximum values).

LedGetConfiguration reads current timing settings from the device and fills the LED_CFG structure.

LedSetConfiguration sends an updated LED_CFG structure to the device.

LedLoadPreset loads a dimming preset from the device flash memory.

LedSavePreset saves the current dimming status to a preset in the device flash memory.

3.2.2. LedGetTimingCaps

Int LedGetTimingCaps (LED_HANDLE *hDev*, PLED_CAPS *pCaps*)

Return values

LD_SUCCESS if successful, otherwise

LD_E_INVALID_HANDLE, if the device handle is not valid.

Parameters

hDev

Specifies the handle to an open device

pCaps

Specifies the pointer to a valid LED_CAPS structure

Remarks

This function fills a LED_CAPS structure with information about the limits of timing parameters.

See also:

3.2.3. LedGetConfiguration

int LedGetConfiguration (LED_HANDLE *hDev*, PLED_CFG *pCfg*)

Return values

LD_SUCCESS if successful, otherwise

LD_E_INVALID_HND, if the device handle is not valid.

Parameters

hDev

Specifies the handle to an open device

pCfg

Specifies the pointer to the structure to be filled with the device configuration

Remarks

This function reads the current configuration from the device and fills the structure with the parameter values.

See also: [LedSetConfiguration](#)

3.2.4. LedSetConfiguration

int LedSetConfiguration (LED_HANDLE *hDev*, PLED_CFG *pCfg*)

Return values

LD_SUCCESS if successful, otherwise

LD_E_INVALID_HND, if the device handle is not valid.

Parameters

hDev

Specifies the handle to an open device

pCfg

Specifies the pointer to the structure to be sent to the device

Remarks

This routine sends the configuration to the device.

See also: **LedGetConfiguration**

3.2.5. LedLoadPreset

int LedLoadPreset (LED_HANDLE *hDev*, int *nPresetIdx*)

Return values

LD_SUCCESS if successful, otherwise

LD_E_INVALID_HND, if the device handle is not valid.

Parameters

hDev

Specifies the handle to an open device

nPresetIdx

Specifies the index of the preset from where the values are loaded.

Remarks

The routine loads the dimming values from the preset specified by the *nPresetIdx* index. The index must be a value between 0 and *nMaxPreset* - 1, when *nMaxPreset* is the maximum preset index value read from the LED_CAPS structure.

See also: LedSavePreset

3.2.6. LedSavePreset

int LedSavePreset (LED_HANDLE *hDev*, int *nPresetIdx*)

Return values

LD_SUCCESS if successful, otherwise

LD_E_INVALID_HND, if the device handle is not valid.

Parameters

hDev

Specifies the handle to an open device

nPresetIdx

Specifies the index of the preset where the values are saved

Remarks

The routine saves the current dimming values to a preset specified by the *nPresetIdx* index. The index must be a value between 0 and *nMaxPreset* – 1, when *nMaxPreset* is the maximum preset index value read from the LED_CAPS structure.

See also: **LedLoadPreset**

4. Appendix

4.1. Appendix A - Return Codes

The following table shows the values of the codes returned by the SDK APIs. The values can be found in the **LED_API.h** header file in the **Include** sub directory.

Code	Value	Notes
LD_SUCCESS	0	OK – No errors
LD_E_GENERIC	-1	Generic Error
XS_E_UNSUPPORTED	-2	The function is not supported for this device
XS_E_INVALID_HND	-3	Invalid LED_HANDLE device handle
XS_E_OPEN	-4	The device cannot be open

4.2. Appendix B – Data types

This appendix describes the data types defined in the **XStrmAPI.h** header file.

4.2.1. LED_MODEL

The LED_MODEL type enumerates the device.

- **LM_4LED**: 1st and 2nd generation legacy LED controllers.
- **LM_CAP**: Constellation Access Point.
- **LM_4XLED**: 4X 120W LED Controller.
- **LM_C500**: Constellation 500/500F.
- **LM_C500E**: Constellation 500E.
- **LM_C2400H**: Constellation 2400H.
- **LM_C2400B**: Constellation 2400B.

4.2.2. LED_LINK

The LED_LINK type enumerates the links.

- **LD_LNK_USB**: USB 2.0 link.
- **LD_LNK_ETH**: Ethernet (10/100 BaseT).
- **LD_LNK_WIFI**: Wi-Fi.

4.2.3. LED_MODE

The LED_MODE type enumerates the operating modes.

- **LED_MD_INT**: internal synchronization source.
- **LED_MD_GPS**: GPS sync source.
- **LED_MD_1PPS**: 1PPS sync source.
- **LED_MD_SYNCIN**: external sync in.
- **LED_MD_CONT_D**: continuous with dimming.
- **LED_MD_CONT_ND**: continuous without dimming.
- **LED_MD_IRIG**: IRIG sync source.
- **LED_MD_PTP**: PTP sync source.

4.2.4. LED_RETURN

The LED_RETURN type enumerates the return codes (see appendix A).

4.3. Appendix C – Structures

This appendix describes the structures defined in the **LED_API.h** header file.

4.3.1. LED_ENUMITEM

The LED_ENUMITEM structure contains information about a device. It's retrieved by calling the LedEnumerate routine.

```
typedef struct
{
    int cbSize;
    int nDeviceID;
    int nDeviceModel;
    int nSerialNoLo;
    int nSerialNoHi;
    int nFWVersion;
    int nFWCfgVer;
    char szName[128];
    int bIsOpen;
    int nLinkType;
    int nUsbPort;
    int nUsbVID;
    int nUsbPID;
    int nEthDevAdd;
    int nEthDevSNM;
    int nEthAdpAdd;
    int nEthAdpSNM;
} XS_ENUMITEM, *PXS_ENUMITEM;
```

Members

nCbSize

It specifies the size of the structure.

nDeviceID

It specifies the ID which identifies a device.

nDeviceModel

It specifies the device model.

nSerialLo

It specifies the LS part of the device serial number.

nSerialHi

It specifies the MS part of the device serial number.

nFWVersion

It specifies the firmware version.

nFWCfgVersion

It specifies the firmware configuration.

szName

It specifies the device name (128 characters zero-terminated).

bIsOpen

It specifies whether the device is currently open or not.

nLinkType

It specifies the communication link (USB 2.0, Ethernet or Wi-Fi).

nUsbPort

It specifies the USB port ID (USB only).

nUsbVID

It specifies the USB Vendor ID (USB only).

nUsbPID

It specifies the USB Product ID (USB only).

nEthDevAdd

It specifies the device IP Address (Ethernet or Wi-Fi).

nEthDevSNM

It specifies the device sub-net mask (Ethernet or Wi-Fi).

nEthAdpIPAdd

It specifies the Ethernet adapter IP Address (GE cameras only).

nEthAdpNetMask

It specifies the Ethernet adapter sub-net mask (GE cameras only).

4.3.2. LED_CFG

The LED_CFG structure contains the device parameters. The user may modify the structure fields.

```
typedef struct
{
    unsigned int nMode;
    unsigned int nPeriod;
    unsigned int nPulseWid0;
    unsigned int nDelay0;
    unsigned int nPulseWid1;
    unsigned int nDelay1;
    unsigned int nPulseWid2;
    unsigned int nDelay2;
    unsigned int nPulseWid3;
    unsigned int nDelay3;
    unsigned int nDimLevel0;
    unsigned int nDimLevel1;
    unsigned int nDimLevel2;
    unsigned int nDimLevel3;
} LED_CFG, *PLED_CFG;
```

Members

nMode

It specifies the timing mode (see LED_MODE enumeration).

nPeriod

The period (inverse of frequency) of the output timing signals. It's defined in nanoseconds.

nPulseWid0, 1, 2, 3

It specifies the pulse width of the channels. It's defined in nanoseconds.

nDelay0, 1, 2, 3

It specifies the delay of the channels. It's defined in nanoseconds.

nDimLevel0, 1, 2, 3

It specifies the dimming level of the channels when the mode is set to "dimming". It's defined in dimming units. The limits (min, max) can be retrieved from the LED_CAPS structure.

4.3.3. LED_CAPS

The LED_CAPS structure contains information about the limits of the timing parameters (minimum and maximum). The user should take care of these values before setting the timing parameters.

```
typedef struct
{
    unsigned int nMinMode;
    unsigned int nMaxMode;
    unsigned int nMinPeriod;
    unsigned int nMaxPeriod;
    unsigned int nMinDimLevel;
    unsigned int nMaxDimLevel;
    unsigned int nMaxPreset;
} XS_FRAME, *PXS_FRAME;
```

Members

nMinMode

It specifies the minimum value for the mode parameter.

nMaxMode

It specifies the maximum value for the mode parameter.

nMinPeriod

It specifies the minimum value for the period parameter. The minimum value for width and delay is 0.

nMaxPeriod

It specifies the maximum value for the period parameter. The maximum value for width and delay is the period itself.

nMinDimLevel

It specifies the minimum value for the dimming parameter.

nMaxDimLevel

It specifies the maximum value for the dimming parameter.

nMaxPreset

It specifies the number of preset that can be configured (usually 4).