

APPLICATION NOTE

Multiple Regions of Interest for Goldeye G/CL

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Scope

A regions of interest (ROI) is used to reduce the image resolution when only a section of the sensor image is needed and to increase maximum frame rates.

Goldeye G/CL cameras support MultipleRegions features for multiple ROIs that are non-overlapping. This document explains how to use the these features.

Supported camera models	Supported number of ROIs	Required firmware version
All G/CL-008 models	Maximum 32	V04.04.x or higher
G/CL-030 TEC1, G/CL-130 TEC1	Maximum 8	V02.26.x or higher
All G/CL-034 models	Maximum 32	V03.06.x or higher

Table 1: Supported camera models, number of ROIs and required firmware version

Single ROI

With ROI features, you can configure a single ROI by Height, Width, OffsetX, and OffsetY:

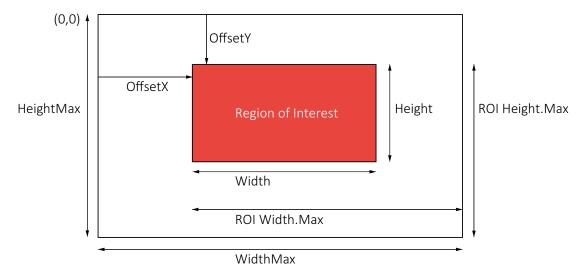


Figure 1: Features to configure a single ROI



Multiple ROIs

Multiple ROIs merged to a common image

With Multiple ROI, you can configure several ROIs, named subregions. The maximum number of supported subregions depends on the camera model. Figure 2 shows an example with 3 ROIs.

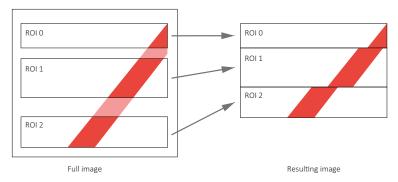


Figure 2: Mutiple ROIs merged to a common image

All active ROIs are transmitted in a single frame. For each ROI, you can configure Height and OffsetY. In contrast, Width and the OffsetX are common for all regions, as shown in Figure 3.

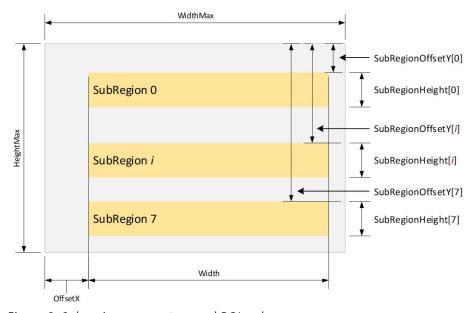


Figure 3: Subregion parameters and ROI order

Rules for configuring subregions

- ROIs must not overlap.
- Keep the order for ROIs as defined in Equation 1 on page 3 and Equation 2 on page 3.
- NUC (non uniformity correction) and DPC (defect pixel correction) are disabled for multiple ROIs.



The SubRegionHeight and SubRegionOffsetY parameters must meet the conditions shown in Equation 1 and Equation 2 (see Figure 3 on page 2 for reference).))

 $SubRegionOffsetY[i+1] \geq SubRegionOffsetY[i] + SubRegionHeight[i] \\$ with i as SubRegionSelector

Equation 1: Rule 1 for the start position of the next SubRegion

 $SubRegionOffsetY[\emph{i}] + SubRegionOffsetHeight[\emph{i}] \leq HeightMax$ with \emph{i} as SubRegionSelector

Equation 2: Rule 2 for the maximum height of the next SubRegion

Therefore, **SubRegion 1** must start after **SubRegion 0**, **SubRegion 2** must start after **SubRegion 1**, and so on. Table 2 gives examples of valid and invalid settings for subregions.

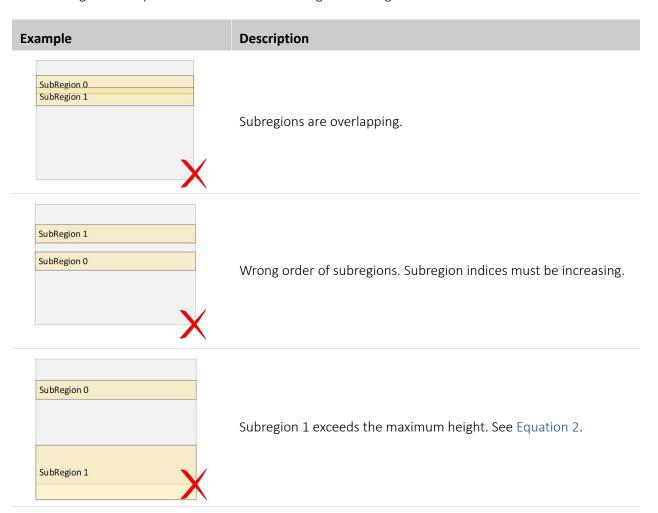


Table 2: Valid and invalid conditions for subregions (sheet 1 of 2)



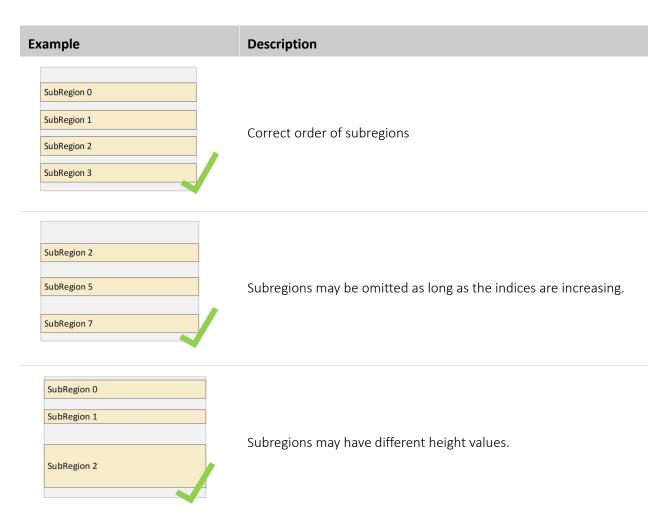


Table 2: Valid and invalid conditions for subregions (sheet 2 of 2)

Application workflow

We recommend you to configure the MultipleRegions features as follows:

- 1. Stop the acquisition.
- 2. Set MultipleRegionsEnable to *True* to enable multiple regions. (If this feature is set to *False*, only a single region is active that can be configured as usual by Width, Height, OffsetX, and OffsetY.)
- 3. Select a subregion through **SubRegionSelector**.
- 4. Set **SubRegionMode** to **On** to activate the selected subregion.
- 5. Set the subregion's height by **SubRegionHeight**.
- 6. Set the subregions's vertical offset by SubRegionOffsetY.
- 7. Check the subregion's status by **SubRegionStatus**. The feature must be shown as **Valid**. Otherwise continue the configuration from Step 5 again.
- 8. Continue with Step 3 to set up further subregions.
- 9. Adjust width and horizontal offset for all subregions by Width and OffsetX features if desired.
- 10. Start the acquisition.

Result: The frames are merged from the subregions.



MultipleRegions features



Goldeye G/CL Features Reference

This is an excerpt of the Goldeye G/CL Features Reference, see www.alliedvision.com/en/support/technical-documentation/goldeye-gcl-documentation.

MultipleRegions (subcategory)

This subcategory holds the features to configure and control the multiple regions of the camera.

Notes

- Multiple regions are **available only for** all Goldeye G/CL-008 models, on G/CL-030 TEC1, all G/CL-034 models, and G/CL-130 TEC1.
- Features in the NonUniformityCorrection and DefectPixelCorrection subcatogries are not supported when MultipleRegionsEnable is set *True*.
- Enabling NonUniformityCorrection and DefectPixelCorrection features disables MultipleRegions features and vice versa.

Display name	MultipleRegions
Origin of feature	Camera
Feature type	(Subcategory)
Category	/ImageFormatControl

MultipleRegionsEnable

Selects between single region and multiple regions mode. The number of subregions to be configured depends on the camera model.

Note: The height and Y-offset for each active subregion can be configured individually, but the horizontal dimensions are commonly set by **Width** and **OffsetX** for all subregions.

Display name	MultipleRegionsEnable
Origin of feature	Camera
Feature type	Boolean
Access	R/W
Affected features	Height, OffsetY
Category	/ImageFormatControl/MultipleRegions

Values	Description
False	Single region mode is enabled, subregions mode is disabled (default). Height and OffsetY can be used as usual.
True	Subregions mode is enabled. Height and OffsetY features are locked and are automatically aligned with the values set for subregions.



SubRegionMode

[SubRegionSelector]

Enables or disables the selected subregion.

Display name	SubRegionMode
Origin of feature	Camera
Feature type	Boolean
Access	R/W
Affected features	Height, OffsetY, SubRegionStatus
Category	/ImageFormatControl/MultipleRegions

Values	Description
On	The selected subregion is enabled.
0ff	The selected subregion is disabled.

SubRegionHeight

[SubRegionSelector]

Height of the selected subregion.

Goldeye G/CL-030 and **G/CL-130**: If values are entered that are not dividable by 8, **SubRegionHeight** is increased automatically to the next higher available value. For example, if 9 is entered, the value is increased to 16.

All Goldeye G/CL-008 models, G/CL-034 and G/CL-034 XSWIR models: The total sum of all active SubRegionsHeights must be >= 4.

Display name	SubRegionHeight
Origin of feature	Camera
Feature type	Integer
Access	R/W
Unit	Pixels
Affected features	Height, SubRegionStatus
Category	/ImageFormatControl/MultipleRegions

Values ¹	Description
8;1	Minimum
(Height max)	Maximum, depending on the height of other subregions
8;1	Increment
¹ G/CL-030, G/CL-130 ; all G/CL-008 models, G/CL-034, G/CL-034 XSWIR	



SubRegionOffsetY

[SubRegionSelector]

Y-offset of the selected subregion.

Notes for Goldeye G/CL-030 and G/CL-130: If values are entered that are not dividable by 8, **SubRegionOffsetY** is increased automatically to the next higher available value. For example, if 9 is entered, the value is increased to 16.

Display name	SubRegionOffsetY
Origin of feature	Camera
Feature type	Integer
Access	R/W
Unit	Pixels
Affected features	OffsetY, SubRegionStatus
Category	/ImageFormatControl/MultipleRegions

Values ¹	Description
8;1	Minimum
(Height max)	Maximum, depending on the height of other subregions
8;1	Increment
¹ G/CL-030, G/CL-130 ; all G/CL-008 models, G/CL-034, G/CL-034 XSWIR	

SubRegionSelector

Selects the subregion in a range from θ to n, where θ is the index of the first subregion and n is the index of the last one.

Display name	SubRegionSelector
Origin of feature	Camera
Feature type	Enumeration
Access	R/W
Affected features	SubRegionHeight, SubRegionMode, SubRegionOffsetY, SubRegionStatus
Category	/ImageFormatControl/MultipleRegions

Values ¹	Description
0;0	Minimum
7;31	Maximum
¹ G/CL-030, G/CL-130 ; all G/CL-008 models, G/CL-034, G/CL-034 XSWIR	



SubRegionStatus

[SubRegionSelector]

Displays the status of the selected subregion.

Note: The SubRegionStatus is updated only if MultipleRegionsEnable is *True* and the corresponding SubRegionMode is set to *On*.

Display name	SubRegionStatus
Origin of feature	Camera
Feature type	Enumeration
Access	R
Affected features	(None)
Category	/ImageFormatControl/MultipleRegions

Values	Description
Disabled	The selected subregion is disabled.
Valid	The selected subregion is enabled and has a valid configuration.
OverlapError ¹	The selected subregion is enabled but has an invalid configuration.

¹Note: Invalid subregions are excluded automatically from the resulting frame.



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