

Application Note **PvAPI: Saving and Loading Camera Attributes with a Text File**



Prerequisites

The following items are required:

- Computer with Windows 7, Vista, XP, Linux, QNX, or Mac OS X operating system
- Allied Vision GigE camera
- GigE network card and GigE cable

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• PvAPI SDK



See software downloads for PvAPI SDK download: http://www.alliedvision.com/en/support/software-downloads

• Visual Studio C++ or an equivalent integrated development environment (IDE)

Instructions

1. Open the **Camsetup** folder in the GigESDK **examples** directory. This folder contains the source code for the CamSetup utility.

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Figure 1: Source code files in CamSetup folder

2. Microsoft Visual C++ users: open the VC++ project file—**CamSetup.vcproj**. Alternative IDE users create a project using the **CamSetup.cpp**, **PvAPI.h**, and other required header files (see #include statements in **CamSetup.cpp**).



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Figure 2: CamSetup utility source code opened in Microsoft Visual C++

3. Compile the source code for the CamSetup utility to generate an application file.

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Figure 3: Result of successful compilation of Camsetup source code

4. Locate the generated application file—**CamSetup.exe** in GigESDK **bin-pc** directory.

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Figure 4: Generated CamSetup application file in the **bin-pc** directory

5. Connect your Allied Vision GigE camera to the computer.



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For more information, see the GigE Installation Manual: http://www.alliedvision.com/fileadmin/content/documents/products/cameras/ various/installation-manual/GigE_Installation_Manual.pdf

6. Launch DOS prompt and access the **bin-pc** directory.



Figure 5: Working directory in DOS prompt

7. Determine camera IP by executing **IPConfig.exe** in **bin-pc** directory.



Figure 6: IP configuration of the GigE camera

8. Use the following commands to save/load the camera parameters to/from a text file :
 •For saving camera attributes to a text file, enter:

CamSetup -i <CAMERA IP ADDRESS> -s <FILENAME.TXT>



Figure 7: Camera attributes saved in test.txt file



• For loading camera attributes from a text file, enter:

CamSetup -i <CAMERA IP ADDRESS> -1 <FILENAME.TXT>



Figure 8: Command to load camera attributes from **test.txt** file

Note

The text file is saved to / loaded from the same directory as **Camsetup.exe**.





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