ProCapture
Complete High-Speed Motion Capture System

Up to 5 hours of continuous recording

30 – 500 fps high resolution cameras

Synchronize multiple cameras with up to 32 channels of data collection

2-D and 3-D video-based motion analysis
Xcitex, the inventor of MiDAS and award winning ProAnalyst® software for video engineering, introduces a new low-cost, high-performance motion capture system designed to record live video and data synchronously. The ProCapture motion capture system is ideal for researchers and engineers who study motion in a variety of industries such as aerospace, applied science, automotive, ballistics, biomechanics and sports, research and development, life sciences, process control and engineering.

The foundation of the ProCapture system is the 500 fps Xcitex high resolution camera controlled by the feature-rich ProCaputure software. In addition, ProAnalyst motion analysis software is included with each ProCapture system so that motion can be captured, downloaded and analyzed in minutes.

The ProCapture system can be configured with as many as eight Xcitex high-speed cameras and up to 32 channels of data collection for either 2-D or 3-D motion capture and analysis. Video and data sources are automatically synchronized, ensuring a multi-perspective capture of every significant event.
Key Components of the ProCapture System

Xcitex High-Speed Cameras
- Resolution up to 1240 x 1080
- 30 - 500 fps color or monochrome

ProCapture Motion Capture Software
- Easy-to-use touchscreen graphical interface
- Automatically creates ProAnalyst projects for 2-D and 3-D analysis

Video Processing Unit and Data Collection Hardware
- Up to 5 hours of continuous recording
- Synchronize multiple cameras with 32 channels of data/sensor collection

ProAnalyst Motion Analysis Software
- Markerless auto-tracking in 1-D, 2-D and 3-D
- 3-D stick figure analysis

Frame rates, resolutions and record times

The maximum duration of a ProCapture recording is determined by the frame rate and resolution the user selects when configuring a recording. Frame Rate, or frames per second (fps), is the number of frames in each second of recorded video. Resolution is the number of pixels (width x height) contained in a digital image. A higher resolution creates a sharper and more detailed image.

The ProCapture system can record for up to 5 hours. The chart illustrates the relationship between ProCapture’s frame rates, resolutions, and the length of recording time for a standard system. Special ProCapture configurations may have different recording times.
The ideal 30-500 fps camera for motion capture in life sciences, robotics and industrial automation

The XC-1M camera has been designed to give users the flexibility to create a recording environment which meets their particular application needs. Users can choose frame rates beginning at 30 fps up to a maximum of 500 fps with multiple resolution choices up to 1240 x 1080.

Using CMOS image sensor technology, the XC-1M camera delivers the perfect balance of light sensitivity, high recording speed, fast shuttering, and high resolution. Excellent image quality is achieved with a state-of-the-art 1.3 megapixel resolution sensor based on 8 µm square pixels and 60% quantum efficiency. The extended spectral range makes the XC-1M camera ideal for biology and life science applications.

Along with outstanding image quality, the XC-1M offers remarkably good Near Infrared (NIR) responsivity, a dynamic range up to 120 db, and global shutter technology to capture crisp images without blur or distortion. In addition, each individual pixel has a very high saturation capacity, resulting in an excellent signal/noise ratio for extremely sharp, high-contrast images. The compact size of the camera makes it easy to install on walls, tripods, production lines, or into tight spaces.

**XC-1M Specifications**

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Control Software

Multi-camera and data control software for ProCapture system

ProCapture, Xcitex’s motion capture control software, records live video and data synchronously with multiple Xcitex high-speed cameras. ProCapture is extremely powerful, yet easy to configure with settings based on the user’s unique recording requirements. With a touch of a button, ProCapture allows the user to focus the cameras, record, trigger, save, and download discrete events. Project files are created for analysis with ProAnalyst® motion analysis software. Add data collection to ProCapture for synchronized data and video capture.

ProCapture software is designed for researchers, engineers, physicians, or scientists studying a variety of applications. Biomechanics, sports performance, product engineering, applied science, and crash testing are just a few areas where ProCapture can provide the ideal solution.

- Simple setup – all cameras automatically initialize after software launch
- Touchscreen ready, easy to use control panel
- User-controlled configurations
- Create discrete, manageable events from long video streams
- Timeline indicates event types and locations
- No “blind time” when downloading captured events
- Variety of event triggering methods
- Video and data automatically synchronized
- Automatically creates ProAnalyst projects for analysis
- Live view of up to 8 cameras simultaneously, spanning multiple monitors

The ProCapture control panel allows users to configure settings and switch between Live, Record, Event Trigger, or Save at the touch of a button. Overlay information displays the settings instantly.

Example of Event Triggering

ProCapture software allows researchers to capture meaningful events with the touch of a button or external device. In the example at right, the user captured the kangaroo bouncing on the force plate and saved this video sequence as an event for analysis.
The ProCapture system is designed to incorporate and automatically synchronize 8, 16, or 32 channels of data collection from sensors, force plates, EMG, gauges and accelerometers. Optional data acquisition hardware collects the data, allowing for quantitative measurement of motion or force. Xcitex is a strategic partner with National Instruments™, the world’s largest supplier of data acquisition hardware and accessories.

Xcitex offers three optional add-on solutions for ProCapture synchronized data collection, providing 8, 16, or 32 data channels for PCI and PCI Express platforms. Our pre-packaged data acquisition kits contain fully warranted hardware from National Instruments – the world’s largest supplier of DAQ hardware. For recommendations on which type of data acquisition to add to your ProCapture system, please contact Xcitex directly.

**Data Acquisition Settings**

Converting input volts to a meaningful number in engineering units can be achieved within the Data Acquisition Settings window. Users can adjust the maximum and minimum limits and apply scale and offset factors for each data channel recording.
Motion Analysis Software

ProAnalyst

ProCapture is part of the “Xcitex Professional Motion System” and has been designed to work seamlessly with Xcitex’s ProAnalyst and ProViewer software packages for motion analysis, remote viewing and file exchange. ProCapture events are automatically saved as ProAnalyst project files. Simply double-click on the project file to launch ProAnalyst for motion analysis.

ProAnalyst® is the world’s leading software package for tracking, analyzing, and presenting motion from pre-recorded video. Using your ProCapture videos or project files, ProAnalyst allows users to measure and track velocity, position, size, acceleration, location and more. Markerless tracking can be performed automatically in 2-D and 3-D – no special markers needed. State of the art image processing and filters have been included to correct or enhance videos for the automatic tracking algorithms. Create 2- and 3-axis graphs, stick figures and feature lines for angle and distance measurements.

ProViewer

Xcitex’s ProViewer is the perfect slow-motion viewer for opening and playing video images and ProAnalyst files. It allows users to easily share their ProAnalyst analyzed data or videos with colleagues. A copy of ProViewer is included in the ProCapture system and can be freely shared by downloading from the Xcitex website.
The Xcitex Professional Motion System

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