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## Introduction

This is the API reference for the Advanced Micro Peripherals Ltd MPEG4-CPCI and MPEG4000-XLP MPEG4 hardware encoder card.

The API is the same for all supported operating systems. Functions that are specific to an OS are marked as such.

## Related Documentation

Other Documentation that may be of use whilst reading this document are described in the table below:

Document Name	Source
MPEG4-CPCI Hardware Reference Manual	MPEG4-CPCI SDK
MPEG4000-XLP Hardware Reference Manual	MPEG4000-XLP SDK

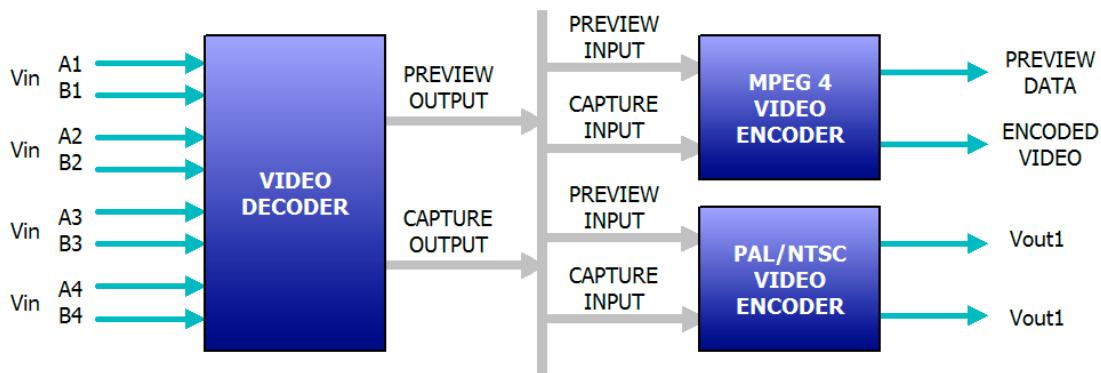
## Hardware block diagram

The video decoder has two digital video output paths, one is the preview output and the other the capture output.

The MPEG4 video encoder has two digital video input paths, one is the preview input and the other the capture input.

It is possible to route either of the video decoder outputs to either of the MPEG4 video encoder inputs. The data routed to the capture input to the MPEG4 video encoder is encoded by the MPEG4 encoding engine and output as encoded data.

The data routed to the preview input to the MPEG4 video encoder is passed through as raw video data and sent to the preview call back chain, where it optionally displayed on screen.



## Overview of writing Applications

The MPEG4-CPCI and MPEG4000-XLP SDKs provides functions to control every aspect of the MPEG4-CPCI and MPEG4000-XLP respectively.

The MPG5K.H header file must be included in all applications using the MPEG4-CPCI or MPEG4000-XLP API.

The SDK library should be initialised for each card by calling the **MPG4K\_InitCard** (page 14) function. The return value should be checked to confirm that the operation succeeded. If the return is not ID\_OK then the application should not continue. This must be done before any other functions from the SDK are called.

### Windows Library files

The application should be linked against the MPG5K.DLL file. This file is found in *software/lib*. The MPG5K.DLL should be placed in the System directory on the target machine. Under Windows NT 4 and Windows 2000 this is */winnt/system32*. Under Windows XP this is */windows/system32*

For preview under Windows, DirectX support is required.

To use the software on systems without DirectX, link against the MPG5K-*np*.LIB and use the MPG5K-*np*.DLL

### Linux Library files

The application should be linked against the libmpeg5k file. This file is found in *software/lib*, named libmpeg5k-glibcXX.so for SDL based preview, libmpeg5k-glibcXXv.so for X11/XVideo based preview and libmpeg5k-glibcXXnp.so for no onscreen preview support, where XX is the target glibc version.

The libmpeg5k file should be placed in an appropriate library directory on the target machine. In general, either */usr/local/lib* or */usr/lib* should be used. Having copied the file, run ldconfig after verifying that the library path is present in the */etc/ld.so.conf* file.

### QNX library files

The application should be linked against the libmpeg5k file. This file is found in *software/lib*, named libmpeg5k.so for Photon Graphics based preview and libmpeg5k-*np*.so for no onscreen preview support.

The libmpeg5k file should be placed in the */usr/lib* directory. The *install.sh* shell script will do this for you.

### Firmware file

The firmware files is called *mpeg5k.bin* and can be found in the *software/lib* directory. It should be copied to the working directory of the target application. This is normally the directory the application is run from.

### Preview

The MPEG4-CPCI and MPEG4000-XLP both have a preview feature where the video being encoded can be viewed on screen.

Under Windows the on screen preview feature uses DirectX surfaces.

Under Linux the on screen preview feature uses SDL or X11/XVideo, depending the library linked against.

Under QNX the on screen preview feature uses the Photon Graphics library. An overlay scaler is a requirement for the on screen preview to function properly.

A callback function can also be registered with the SDK library that will be called with the raw video data for each preview frame.

Where possible colour keying will be used for the preview. This means that the preview video will only display in areas that are the colour key. The default colour key is magenta (Red=255, Blue=0, Green=255).

## ***Decoding***

The decoding feature of the MPEG4000XLP uses external plugin libraries to parse the various container formats into a form the decoder understands.

Under Windows these DLLs should be placed on the System directory on the target machine.

Under Linux, the .so files should be placed in /usr/local/lib

Under QNX decoding is currently not supported.

On the MPEG4-CPCI only card 1 can be used for decode. The output of the decode goes to card 0. To view the decode on either the analogue output or on the VGA preview, the playback source must be enabled using the **MPG4KX\_ShowPlayback** (page 52) function. The MPG4XDecodePreview example application is given in the MPEG4-CPCI SDK to demonstrate this.

## Structure Reference

```
typedef struct tagErrorCallback
{
    int nCard;
    int nChannel;
    int nSource;
    int nError;
} tErrorCallback;
```

This structure is used to pass information to the error callback function.  
The nCard and nChannel elements specify which card and channel have generated the error.  
The nSource element specifies the source of the error.  
The nError element specifies the error number for the error.

```
typedef struct tagDecodeCommand
{
    int nSize;
    unsigned long ulCommand;
    unsigned long ulFlags;
    union
    {
        unsigned char bParam;
        unsigned short usParam;
        int nParam;
        unsigned long ulParam;
        long lParam;
    #ifdef WIN32
        __int64 i64Param;
    #else
        long long i64Param;
    #endif
        } Param;
} tDecodeCommand;
```

This structure is used to pass commands to the decode engine.  
The nSize element specifies the size of the tDecodeCommand instance and must be filled in.  
The ulCommand element specifies the command.  
The ulFlags element specifies flags specific to the command. It also contains flags to specify which of the Param variables is to be used.  
The Param element contains an option parameter value for the command. The ulFlags element must contain the correct flag specifying which value to use.

```
#define ID_DECODE_BYTE 0x10000
Use the bParam entry in the Param element.
```

```
#define ID_DECODE USHORT 0x20000
Use the usParam entry in the Param element.
```

```
#define ID_DECODE ULONG 0x30000
Use the ulParam entry in the Param element.
```

```
#define ID_DECODE INT 0x40000
Use the nParam entry in the Param element.
```

```
#define ID_DECODE LONG 0x50000
Use the lParam entry in the Param element.
```

```
#define ID_DECODE_LONGLONG 0x60000
Use the i64Param entry in the Param element.
```

# Function Reference

## *Initialisation functions*

### **MPG4K\_InitCard**

```
int MPG4K_InitCard (nCard)  
int nCard; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_InitCard** function initialises the MPEG4000 SDK and hardware.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to initialise

---

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values:

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	The MPEG4000 could not be opened or was not detected.
ID_ERR_NOFWFILE	The firmware file was not found.
ID_ERR_MEMALLOC	Memory allocation for the firmware failed
ID_ERR_FWUPLOAD	An error occurred uploading the firmware
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	Invalid card number specified

---

### **Comments**

The application should only continue if the return was ID\_OK. All other errors are fatal.

## **MPG4K\_DeInitCard**

**int MPG4K\_DeInitCard (nCard)**

**int nCard;**                                   /\* \*/

The **MPG4K\_DeInitCard** function de-initialises the specified card.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to de-initialise

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	The MPEG4000 could not be opened or was not detected.

### **Comments**

## MPG4K\_SetParserThreadAttr

```
int MPG4K_SetParserThreadAttr (nCard, *attr)  
  
int nCard; /* */  
pthread_attr *attr; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetParserThreadAttr** function sets the desired parser thread priority attributes under POSIX operating systems.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the parser thread priority
<i>*attr</i>	Pointer to a pthread_attr structure that contains the desired thread attributes

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values:

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	The MPEG4000 could not be opened or was not detected.

### Comments

This function is only available under POSIX based operating systems such as Linux and QNX.

This function should be called before the encoding is started with

## ***Encoding control functions***

### **MPG4K\_Start**

```
int MPG4K_Start (nCard)  
int nCard; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_Start** function starts the encoding.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which MPEG4000 card to start the encoding on.

---

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_ENCODING	The encoder is already running
ID_ERR_SAVE_FAILE	Failed to start saving data

---

### **Comments**

## MPG4K\_Stop

```
int MPG4K_Stop (nCard)  
int nCard; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_Stop** function stops the encoding for the specified card.

---

Parameter	Description
nCard	Specifies which MPEG4000 card to stop

### Returns

The return value is

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_ENCODING	The encoder is not running

### Comments

This function is equivalent to calling **MPG4K\_EnableChannel** (page 26) to disable all channels on the specified card.

## MPG4K\_StopEncoder

```
int MPG4K_Stop (nCard)  
int nCard; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_StopEncoder** function stops the encoding for the specified card.

---

Parameter	Description
nCard	Specifies which MPEG4000 card to stop

### Returns

The return value is

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_ENCODING	The encoder is not running

### Comments

This function stops the encoding process. No more data will be received until **MPG4K\_Start** (page 17.) is called again.

## MPG4K\_SetInputStandard

**int MPG4K\_SetInputStandard (nCard, nStandard)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nStandard;     /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetInputStandard** function sets the standard for the input video.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the standard for
<i>nStandard</i>	Specifies the video standard for the input. This can be one of the following values.
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_PAL	PAL
ID_NTSC	NTSC

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_STANDARD	An invalid video standard was passed
ID_ERR_ENCODING	The encoder is running

### Comments

The input video standard can only be changed when the encoder is in a stopped start.

This function should not be called after **MPG4K\_SetFrameRate** (page 32) or  
**MPG4KX\_SetFrameRate** (page ) 33

## **MPG4K\_GetInputStandard**

```
int MPG4K_GetInputStandard (nCard)
int nCard;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetInputStandard** function returns the current input standard for the specified card.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to retrieve the standard for.

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_PAL	PAL
ID_NTSC	NTSC

### **Comments**

## MPG4K\_SetMode

```
int MPG4K_SetMode (nCard, nMode)
int nCard;           /* */
int nMode;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetMode** function sets the mode for the encoder.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the mode for.
<i>nMode</i>	Specifies the mode to use. This can be one of the following values.
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<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_QUAD_MODE	Encode the four channels as four separate files, each at CIF resolution
ID_QUAD_MODE_SINGLE	Encode the four channels arranged in four quadrants as a single file at D1 resolution with each channel being CIF
ID_SINGLE_MODE	Capture only one channel at D1 resolution
ID_MUXD1_MODE	Capture up to four channels at D1 resolution $\frac{1}{4}$ frame rate to four separate files.
ID_PIP_MODE	Capture one channel at D1 resolution and one channel at reduced resolution
ID_DUAL_MODE_SINGLE	Encode the first two channels arranged in two halves as a single file at D1 resolution

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	An invalid mode was specified
ID_ERR_ENCODING	The encoder is running and an unsupported mode change was requested

### Comments

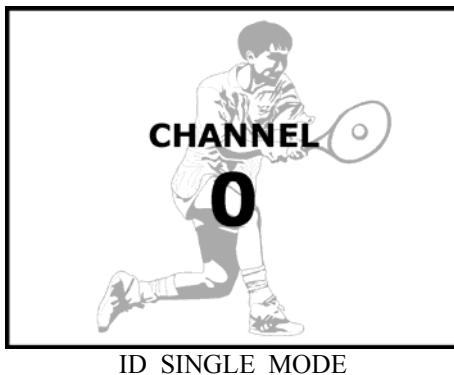
This function sets both preview and capture paths to the same mode. To set only the preview mode, use **MPG4K\_SetPreviewMode** (page 117).

This function overrides previous capture and preview mode settings.

It is not possible to change modes that would result in a change to the number of encoding channels. For example, changing from ID\_SINGLE\_MODE to ID\_QUAD\_MODE\_SINGLE is allowed because both modes output a single MPEG4 stream. Changing from ID\_SINGLE\_MODE to ID\_QUAD\_MODE is not supported because that requires changing from a single stream to four streams.

#### ID\_SINGLE\_MODE

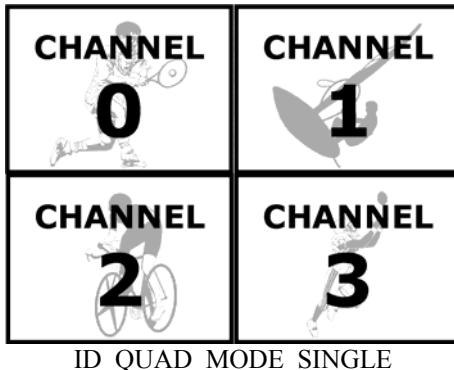
In this mode a single channel fills the D1 capture window. The channel can be selected from one of the 4 possible decoders by using **MPG4K\_SetInputPath** (page 28). Further selection of the particular input to the selected decoder is possible using **MPG4K\_SelectInput** (page 27)



ID\_SINGLE\_MODE

#### ID\_QUAD\_MODE\_SINGLE

In this mode all 4 channels are scaled to equally sized quadrants and merged into a single D1 capture window. The selection of the particular input displayed and in which position is controlled by using **MPG4K\_SetInputPath** (page 28) and **MPG4K\_SelectInput** (page 27)

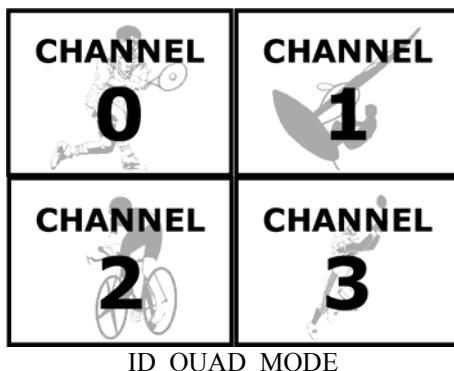


ID\_QUAD\_MODE\_SINGLE

#### ID\_QUAD\_MODE

In this mode all 4 channels are scaled to equally sized quadrants. Four capture windows of CIF size are encoded. Encoding for each capture window must be enabled using **MPG4K\_EnableChannel** (page 26). Only channel 0 is currently supported in ID\_QUAD\_MODE.

The selection of the particular input displayed and in which position is controlled by using **MPG4K\_SetInputPath** (page 28) and **MPG4K\_SelectInput** (page 27).



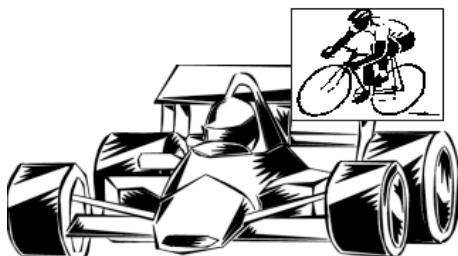
ID\_QUAD\_MODE

#### ID\_PIP\_MODE

In this mode channel 0 is set to full D1 size and channel 1 to a reduced size.

The capture and preview paths handle ID\_PIP\_MODE differently. In capture mode the smaller window will be CIF. In preview mode the smaller window is QCIF.

In order to capture ID\_PIP\_MODE with the smaller window as QCIF, it is necessary to route the digital video differently using the **MPG4KX\_SetDigitalPath** (page 38) function.



ID\_PIP\_MODE

#### ID\_MUXD1\_MODE

In this mode, all channels are encoded at full D1 size into separate files but time multiplexed. This means that the maximum frame rate per channel will depend on the number of channels being encoded.

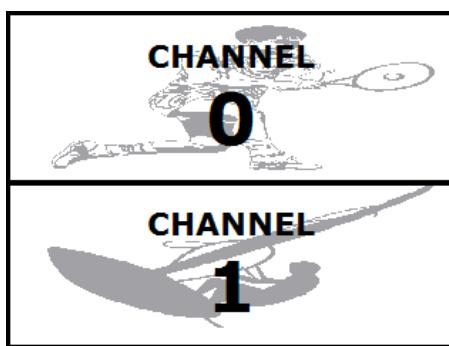
When using ID\_MUXD1\_MODE, the encoder will default to encoding all four channels at D1 to separate files. To reduce the number of channels (and increase the maximum frame rate achievable per channel) calling the **MPG4KX\_SetNumChannels** (page 49) function. The maximum frame rate can be calculated using

$$MaxFPS = \frac{InputFPS}{nChannels}$$

InputFPS is determined by **MPG4KX\_SetMuxInputSequence** (page 51)

#### ID\_DUAL\_MODE\_SINGLE

In this mode the first two channels are scaled vertically to be half height and merged into a single D1 capture window. The selection of the particular input displayed and in which position is controlled by using **MPG4K\_SetInputPath** (page 28) and **MPG4K\_SelectInput** (page 27)



ID\_DUAL\_MODE\_SINGLE

## MPG4K\_SetEncodingType

`int MPG4K_SetEncodingType (nCard, nChannel, nType)`

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nType;         /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetEncodingType** function sets the type of encoding.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the encoding type for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the encoding type for
<i>nType</i>	Specifies the encoding type. This can be one of the following values
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_SYSTEM	Audio and video are recorded
ID_VIDEO	Video only is recorded

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	An invalid mode was specified

### Comments

This only affects the recording to AVI file.

This function only takes effect the next time an AVI file is created.

## MPG4K\_EnableChannel

**int MPG4K\_EnableChannel (nCard, nChannels, nEnable)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nEnable;       /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_EnableChannel** function enables the specific channels for capture.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to enable the channels for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to enable.
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable the channel. This can be one of the following values.
<hr/>	
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ENABLE	Enable the channel
ID_DISABLE	Disable the channel

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified.
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### Comments

If the encoder is running, enabling the channel using this function has no effect until the next I-frame is received.

Disabling a channel has the effect of stopping all data being passed into the callback chain. This can be used to pause saving data to disk.

The files are not closed while the channel is been disabled.

## MPG4K\_SelectInput

**int MPG4K\_SelectInput (nCard, nChannel, nInput)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nInput;        /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SelectInput** function selects the input to the specified channel.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the input routing for.
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the major input group..
<i>nInput</i>	Specifies the input to the group

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified

### Comments

On the MPEG4-CPCI, nChannel should always be 0. This is because group A on the cable corresponds to card 0, group B to card 1 etc.

nChannel 0 corresponds to group A on the cable

nChannel 1 corresponds to group B on the cable

nChannel 2 corresponds to group C on the cable

nChannel 3 corresponds to group D on the cable

nInput 0 corresponds to input 1 in the cable group.

nInput 1 corresponds to input 2 in the cable group.

## MPG4K\_SetInputPath

**int MPG4K\_SetInputPath (nCard, nChannel, nInput)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nInput;        /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetInputPath** function sets the routing for the video inputs.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the input routing for.
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the destination channel.
<i>nInput</i>	Specifies the input to route to the specified channel

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	The current mode is MUXD1

### Comments

This function is only available on the MPEG4000-XLP.

Input 0 corresponds to input group A

Input 1 corresponds to input group B

Input 2 corresponds to input group C

Input 3 corresponds to input group D

It is possible to route the same input to multiple channels.

The input routing can be modified without stopping the encoding.

In ID\_SINGLE\_MODE only channel 0 is encoded. Combining this function with **MPG4K\_SelectInput** (page 27) allows a single channel encoding of any of the 8 possible inputs.

This function cannot be used if using ID\_MUXD1\_MODE.

This function sets the routing for both the capture and preview paths. To set the input routing for only the preview path use the **MPG4K\_SetPreviewInputPath** (page 118) function.

## **MPG4K\_SetEncodingMode**

```
int MPG4K_SetEncodingMode (nCard, nChannel, nMode)
int nCard;           /* */
int nChannel;        /* */
int nMode;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetEncodingMode** function sets the encoding mode for the MPEG4000.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the encoding mode for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the encoding mode for
<i>nMode</i>	Specifies the encoding mode. This can be one of the following values.
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_VBR	Variable Bit Rate. The bit rate will change but the quality will stay the same
ID_CBR	Constant Bit Rate. The bit rate will stay constant and the quality will change.
ID_HBR	Hybrid Bit Rate. This is a hybrid of VBR and CBR. A minimum and maximum bit rate is specified and the encoder will try to use up to the maximum only when necessary.

---

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	An invalid mode was specified.

---

### **Comments**

## MPG4K\_SetQuality

**int MPG4K\_SetQuality (nCard, nChannel, nQuality)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nQuality;      /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetQuality** function sets the quality factor for use in VBR mode.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the quality for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the quality for
<i>nQuality</i>	Specifies the quality. This can be in the range 1 to 31 inclusive where 1 is highest quality and 31 is the lowest.

### Returns

The return value is one following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	An invalid quality factor was specified.

### Comments

The default quality factor is 5.

Calling this function when in CBR or HBR mode will reset the current encoding quality quantisation. CBR/HBR encoding constantly changes the quantisation to vary the quality and keep the bitrate constant.

## MPG4K\_SetBitrates

**int MPG4K\_SetBitrates (nCard, nChannel, ulBitrate, ulMinBitrate)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
unsigned long ulBitrate; /* */  
unsigned long ulMinBitrate; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetBitrates** function sets the bit rate for use in CBR or HBR encoding mode.

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the bit rate for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the bit rate for
<i>ulBitrate</i>	Specifies the bit rate. In the case of ID_HBR mode, this specifies the maximum bit rate. This value can be in the range 20000 up to 7500000.
<i>ulMinBitrate</i>	Specifies the Minimum bit rate. This is only used for ID_HBR mode. This value can be in the range 20000 up to 7500000

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_BITRATE	An invalid bit rate was specified.

### Comments

If the bit rate is too low then the encoder will not obey the bit rate limit and will provide data at a higher bit rate.

Typically, the minimum bit rate should be at least 350000 for ID\_QUAD\_MODE and 1000000 for ID\_SINGLE\_MODE and ID\_QUAD\_MODE\_SINGLE.

For video with low motion or lower frame rates, lower values can be used.

When using CBR, frame skipping can be enabled using the **MPG4KX\_SetFrameSkip** (page 43) function. This will allow the encoder to insert small, dummy frames if the bit rate gets much above the requested value.

## MPG4K\_SetFrameRate

```
int MPG4K_SetFrameRate (nCard, nFrameRate)
int nCard;           /* */
int nFrameRate;     /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetFrameRate** function sets the frame rate for the specified card.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>		
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the frame rate for		
<i>nFrameRate</i>	Specifies the frame rate. This can be one of the following values:		
		<i>Meaning for PAL</i>	<i>Meaning for NTSC</i>
0		25	30
1		12.5	15
2		6.25	7.5
3		3.125	3.75
4		1.562	1.865
5		0.781	0.938

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_FRAMERATE	An invalid frame rate was specified.

### Comments

When using ID\_MUXD1\_MODE, the frame rates given above should be divided by the number of channels being encoded.

This function can only be called after **MPG4K\_SetInputStandard** (page 20)

## **MPG4KX\_SetFrameRate**

**int MPG4KX\_SetFrameRate (nCard, nChannel, nFrameRate)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nFrameRate;    /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetFrameRate** function sets the frame rate for the specified card.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the frame rate for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the frame rate for
<i>nFrameRate</i>	Specifies the frame rate. This is in the form of an integer divider of the input frame rate. Full frame rate is 65536.

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_FRAMERATE	An invalid frame rate was specified.

### **Comments**

The frame rate can be calculated from the nFrameRate using

$$OutputFPS = \frac{65536 * InputFPS}{nFrameRate}$$

Alternatively, the nFrameRate value can be calculated for a specified output frame rate using

$$nFrameRate = \frac{InputFPS * 65536}{OutputFPS}$$

When using ID\_MUXD1\_MODE, the InputFPS used above should be modified to be the MaxFPS given by the equation in **MPG4K\_SetMode** (page 22)

This function can only be called after **MPG4K\_SetInputStandard** (page 20)

## MPG4K\_SetIInterval

```
int MPG4K_SetIInterval (nCard, nInterval)
int nCard;           /* */
int nInterval;       /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetIInterval** function sets the interval of I-frames.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which MPEG4000 card to set the I-frame interval for
<i>nInterval</i>	Specifies the I-frame interval. This can be one of the following value
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
1	Every frame will be a key frame
2	Every other frame will be a key frame
4	Every fourth frame will be a key frame
8	Every eighth frame will be a key frame
16	Every sixteenth frame will be a key frame
32	Every 32 <sup>nd</sup> frame will be a key frame
64	Every 64 <sup>th</sup> frame will be a key frame
128	Every 128 <sup>th</sup> frame will be a key frame
256	Every 256 <sup>th</sup> frame will be a key frame

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_INTERVAL	An invalid interval number was specified

### Comments

In general, key frames have a larger size than non key frames.

When using VBR encoding, specifying a lower interval number will increase the bandwidth used.

When using CBR encoding, specifying a lower interval number will decrease the quality of the video.

Specifying a large interval number can cause quantization build up errors to be more noticeable.

The I-frame interval will only change after the next I-frame in the sequence is received.

For an I-frame interval of 4, the frame pattern would be



## MPG4KX\_SetIInterval

**int MPG4KX\_SetIInterval (nCard, nChannel, nInterval)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nInterval;     /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetIInterval** function sets the interval of I-frames.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which MPEG4000 card to set the I-frame interval for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the I-frame interval for
<i>nInterval</i>	Specifies the I-frame interval. This is specified as the number of P-frame between I-frames.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_INTERVAL	An invalid interval number was specified

### Comments

See **MPG4K\_SetIInterval** (page 34)

## MPG4K\_SetAudioFormat

**int MPG4K\_SetAudioFormat (nCard, nChannel, nInterval)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nInterval;     /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetAudioFormat** function sets the format of the audio.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which MPEG4000 card to set the audio format
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel on which to set the audio format
<i>nInterval</i>	Specifies the audio format. This can be one of the following values:
<hr/>	
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_MULAW	8000Hz 64Kbit/s uLaw encoded
ID_ADPCM	8000Hz 32Kbit/s ADPCM encoded (default)

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_FORMAT	An invalid audio format was specified

---

### Comments

Changing the audio format while the encoder is running and saving to disk will result in a corrupted audio stream.

## **MPG4K\_SetOutputType**

**int MPG4K\_SetOutputType (nCard, nChannel, bOutput)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
int nChannel;        /* */  
unsigned char bOutput; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetOutputType** function sets the output type for the specified channel.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the output type for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the output type for
<i>bOutput</i>	Specifies the output type. This is a bit mask of the following values
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_AVI_BIT	Output to AVI file
ID_MP4_BIT	Output to MP4 file

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_ENCODING	The encoder is running

### **Comments**

If outputting to MP4 file, the audio will not be saved in the resultant MP4 file. This is because MP4 files do not support ADPCM or mu-Law audio.

This function can only be called when the encoder is in a stopped state.

To allow file type selection while the encoder is running, enable all file types using this function but do set a NULL filename. Setting a filename will then cause the file to be created.

## **MPG4KX\_SetDigitalPath**

**int MPG4KX\_SetDigitalPath (nCard, nPath, nInput)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nPath;          /* */  
int nInput;          /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetDigitalPath** function routes the digital video to different paths.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the output type for	
<i>nPath</i>	Specifies the input of the encoder engine to receive the digital video specified by <i>nInput</i> . Bit mask of the following values.	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
	ID_PREVIEW	Preview input
	ID_CAPTURE	Capture input
<i>nInput</i>	Specifies the output of the video decoder to route to the specified encoder input	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
	ID_PREVIEW	Preview output
	ID_CAPTURE	Preview output

---

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified

---

### **Comments**

Due to differences in the capabilities of the different video decoder paths, this function can be used to change which video decoder output is used for preview and capture by the encoder engine.

This function changes the digital path for the encoder and analogue output.

To change only the analogue output path use **MPG4KX\_SetAnaloguePath** (page 137)

## MPG4K\_SetPIPPosition

**int MPG4K\_SetPIPPosition (nCard, nX, nY)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nX;           /* */  
int nY;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetPIPPosition** function specifies the position of the PIP window.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the output type for
<i>nX</i>	Specifies the horizontal location of the PIP window
<i>nY</i>	Specifies the vertical location of the PIP window

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified

### Comments

The position of the PIP window can only be set on the preview path.

## MPG4KX\_SetPIPSIZE

```
int MPG4KX_SetPIPSIZE (nCard, nW, nH)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nW; /* */  
int nH; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetPIPSIZE** function specifies the size of the PIP window.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the output type for
<i>nW</i>	Specifies the horizontal size of the PIP window
<i>nH</i>	Specifies the vertical size of the PIP window

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified

### Comments

The size of the PIP window can only be set on the preview path.

## MPG4K\_GetFrameCount

```
int MPG4K_GetFrameCount (nCard)  
int nCard; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetFrameCount** function returns the number of frames encoded by the MPEG4000 card specified.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to return the frame count for

---

### Returns

The return value is the number of frames encoded by the specified MPEG4000XLP or MPEG4CPCI.

### Comments

## MPG4K\_WaitForFirstFrame

**int MPG4K\_WaitForFirstFrame (nCard, nChannel)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_WaitForFirstFrame** function waits for the first frame to be captured from the specified channel on the specified card.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to wait for the first frame for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to wait for the first frame

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_TIMEOUT	The wait timed out.

---

### Comments

The wait will time out after 10seconds if the first frame has not been received.

## MPG4KX\_SetFrameSkip

**int MPG4KX\_SetFrameSkip (nCard, nChannel, nFrameSkip)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nFrameSkip;    /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetFrameSkip** function enables or disables and sets the skip factor.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the skip factor
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to set the skip factor
<i>nFrameSkip</i>	Specifies the skip factor. This determines how often frames may be skipped. Valid values are between 0 and 31 inclusive. 0 disables frame skipping. Lower values result in more frame skipping.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

Frame skipping can be used in CBR mode to help keep the bit rate within the requested bit rate.

If the bit rate goes above the requested bit rate and frame skipping is enabled then small dummy frames are used instead of the actual frame.

Please note that the dummy frames represent no motion and so the playback may appear to judder or jump.

## MPG4KX\_SetInputScale

`int MPG4KX_SetInputScale (nCard, nWidth, nHeight)`

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nWidth;        /* */  
int nHeight;       /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetInputScale** function sets the width and height the input video is scaled to before encoding.

---

Parameter	Description
<code>nCard</code>	Specifies on which card to set the input scale
<code>nWidth</code>	Specifies the width (in pixels) that the video input should be scaled to
<code>nHeight</code>	Specifies the height (in lines) that the video input should be scaled to

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

Value	Meaning
<code>ID_OK</code>	Success
<code>ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL</code>	An invalid card or channel number was specified
<code>ID_ERR_NODEVICE</code>	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
<code>ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE</code>	Scaling is not allowed when in quad mode
<code>ID_ERR_INVALID_LOCATION</code>	An invalid width or height was specified
<code>ID_ERR_ENCODING</code>	The encoder is running

### Comments

This function can not be used when the encoding mode is `ID_QUAD_MODE`.

Calling **MPG4K\_SetMode** (page 22) will override the scaling specified by this function.

This function can only be used when the encoder is in a stopped state.

## **MPG4KX\_SetChannelScale**

**int MPG4KX\_SetChannelScale (nCard, nChannel, nWidth, nHeight)**

```
int nCard;           /* */
int nChannel;        /* */
int nWidth;          /* */
int nHeight;         /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetChannelScale** function sets the width and height the specified channels input video is scaled to before encoding.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the input scale
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which input channel to scale
<i>nWidth</i>	Specifies the width (in pixels) that the video input should be scaled to
<i>nHeight</i>	Specifies the height (in lines) that the video input should be scaled to

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	Scaling is not allowed when in quad mode
ID_ERR_INVALID_LOCATION	An invalid width or height was specified
ID_ERR_ENCODING	The encoder is running

### **Comments**

This function can only be used when the encoding mode is ID\_MUXD1\_MODE.

Calling **MPG4K\_SetMode** (page 22) after this function will override the scaling specified by this function.

This function can be used in combination with **MPG4KX\_SetEncoderLocation** (page 46) to encode different channels at different resolutions.

This function can only be called when the encoder is in a stopped state.

## **MPG4KX\_SetEncoderLocation**

**int MPG4KX\_SetEncoderLocation (nCard, nChannel, lpRect)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
int nChannel;        /* */  
RECT *lpRect;        /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetEncoderLocation** function sets location of the encoding window within the input video.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the input scale
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to set the encoder window
<i>lpRect</i>	Pointer to a RECT structure that contains the location

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified.
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_POINTER	The lpRect pointer was invalid
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	Scaling is not allowed when in quad mode
ID_ERR_INVALID_LOCATION	An invalid location was specified

### **Comments**

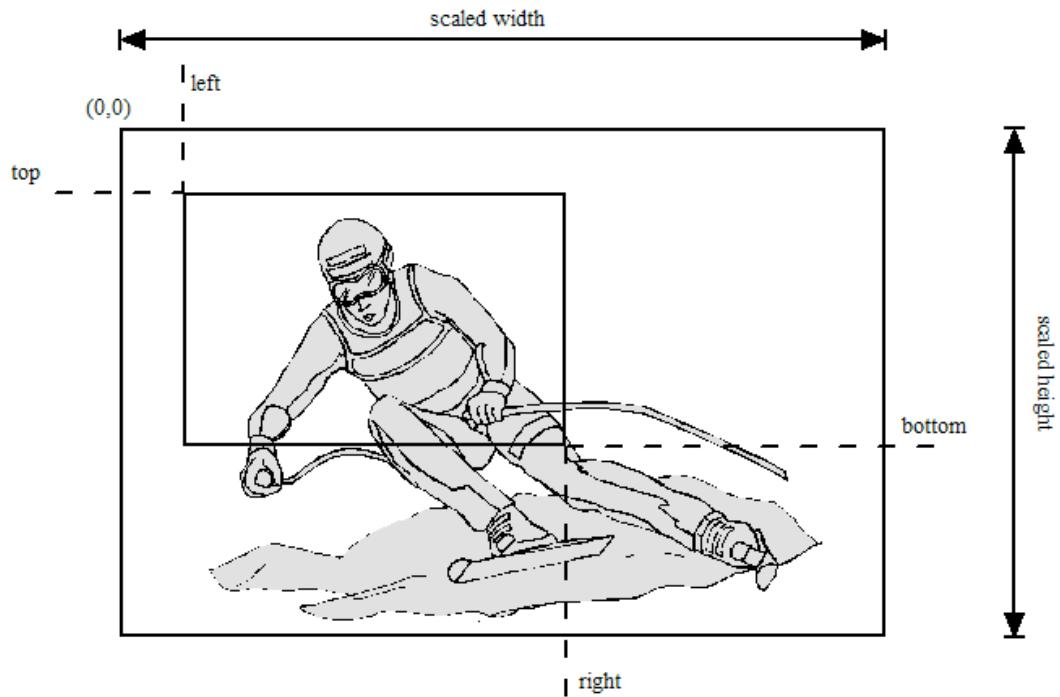
This function can not be used when the encoding mode is ID\_QUAD\_MODE.

If the encoding mode is not ID\_MUXD1\_MODE, the location of the encoding window can be set for channel 0 only.

The width and height of the encoding window must be whole multiple of 16.

Calling **MPG4K\_SetMode** (page 22) will override the location specified by this function.

The diagram shows how the encoding window can select a sub-window of the scaled input.



The scaled width and height are set using **MPG4KX\_SetInputScale** (page 44). The output from the encoder will include only the video within the window given by left, right, top and bottom.

The size of encoder window must be less than or equal to the size scaled input window.

The encoder window must fit within the scaled input window.

The scaled window size should be set by calling this function.

## MPG4K\_SetAudioPath

**int MPG4K\_SetAudioPath (nCard, nChannel, nAudioInput)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
int nAudioInput;    /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetAudioPath** function sets the routing for the audio inputs.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the input routing for.
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the destination channel.
<i>nAudioInput</i>	Specifies the input to route to the specified channel

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified

### Comments

This function is only available on the MPEG4000-XLP.

Input 0 corresponds to input Audio\_In A

Input 1 corresponds to input Audio\_In B

Input 2 corresponds to input Audio\_In C

Input 3 corresponds to input Audio\_In D

It is possible to route the same input to multiple channels.

The input routing can be modified without stopping the encoding.

In ID\_SINGLE\_MODE only channel 0 is encoded.

## MPG4KX\_SetNumChannels

```
int MPG4KX_SetNumChannels(nCard, nChannels)
int nCard;           /* */
int nChannels;      /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetNumChannels** function sets the number of channels that ID\_MUXD1\_MODE should use.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>nChannels</i>	Specifies the number of channels to encode. Valid values are between 1 and 4 inclusive

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid number of channels was specified
ID_ERR_ENCODING	The encoder is running

### Comments

This function is only available on the MPEG4000-XLP.

This function must be called before MPG4K\_SetMode is called to set ID\_MUXD1\_MODE.

This function only has an effect on ID\_MUXD1\_MODE.

The channels encoded start at channel 0 and increase up to the specified number. For example, nChannels=3 would give channels 0, 1 and 2.

Re-routing the video inputs using **MPG4K\_SetInputPath** (page 28) cannot be done in ID\_MUXD1\_MODE.

This function can only be called when the encoder is in a stopped state.

## MPG4KX\_EnableQTCompatibility

`int MPG4KX_EnableQTCompatibility(nCard, nChannel, nEnable)`

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
int nEnable;        /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_EnableQTCompatibility** function enables MPEG4 compatibility with Apple QuickTime.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to enable QuickTime compatibility
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable QuickTime compatibility. This can be one of the following value
<hr/>	
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ENABLE	Enable QuickTime compatibility
ID_DISABLE	Disable QuickTime compatibility

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid number of channels was specified

---

### Comments

## MPG4KX\_SetMuxInputSequence

```
int MPG4KX_SetMuxInputSequence(nCard, pSequence, nNumEntries)
int nCard;           /* */
int *pSequence;     /* */
int nNumEntries;    /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetMuxInputSequence** function sets the channel sequence for MUXD1 mode.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>pSequence</i>	Array of int, each element specifies the next channel to display
<i>nNumEntries</i>	Specifies the number of entries in the pSequence array. Must be less than or equal to 127

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_POINTER	An invalid pSequence pointer was specified

---

### Comments

This function is only available on the MPEG4000-XLP.

This function must be called after MPG4K\_SetMode is called to set ID\_MUXD1\_MODE.

This function only has an effect on ID\_MUXD1\_MODE.

The input multiplexor will cycle through the inputs as specified by the pSequence array, returning to the start when nNumEntries has been reached.

The default behaviour of ID\_MUXD1\_MODE is to show all inputs equally.

The input frame rate to each encoder channel will be determined by the proportion of each channels entries in the pSequence array.

### Examples

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
int Sequence[]={0,1,2,3}	Default for 4 channel MUXD1. Each channel is 1/4 frame rate
int Sequence[]={0,1,0,2,0,3}	Channel 0 is 1/2 (3/6) frame rate, channels 1,2 and 3 are 1/6 frame rate
int Sequence[]={0,0,0,0,1}	Channel 0 is 4/5 frame rate, channel 1 is 1/5 frame rate.
int Sequence[]={0,0,1,0,0,2,0,0,1,0,0,1,0,0,2}	Channel 0 is 2/3 (10/15) frame rate, channel 1 is 1/5 (3/15) frame rate and channel 2 is 2/15 frame rate

---

## MPG4KX\_ShowPlayback

```
int MPG4KX_ShowPlayback(nCard, nEnable)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nEnable; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_ShowPlayback** function configures the video output source.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable playback. Can be one of the following values
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ENABLE	Output the decoder output
ID_DISABLE	Output the encoder input

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	The card specified does not support this function

---

### Comments

This function is available on all MPEG4000-XLP boards attached to the system or the first channel of the MPEG4-CPCI board.

By default, the MPEG4000XLP will output the decode output when decoding.  
This function should be used with the MPEG4-CPCI to enable decode output.

## MPG4KX\_SetFrameMode

`int MPG4KX_SetFramemode(nCard, nChannel, nFrameMode)`

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
int nFrameMode;     /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetFrameMode** function configures the encoder frame mode.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to set the frame mode
<i>nFrameMode</i>	Specifies the frame mode. Can be one of the following values
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_FRAME_MODE	Interleave the interlaced video
ID_FIELD_MODE	Keep the fields separate.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	The card specified does not support this function

### Comments

When ID\_FIELD\_MODE is used, the two fields of the input video will be not be interleaved but will appear with the top field at the top and the bottom field at the bottom.  
This can be used to encode a single field by selecting sub-region using the **MPG4KX\_SetEncoderLocation** (page 46)

## **MPG4K\_GetFIFOLevel**

```
int MPG4K_GetFIFOLevel(nCard)  
int nCard; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetFIFOLevel** function returns the fill level of the kernel driver data FIFO.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to get the FIFO level

---

### **Returns**

The return value is the fill level of the FIFO, in bytes.

### **Comments**

## **MPG4KX\_GetFrameQueueCount**

```
int MPG4KX_GetFrameQueueCount(nCard, nChannel, nQueue)
int nCard;           /* */
int nChannel;        /* */
int nQueue;          /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_GetFrameQueueCount** function returns the number frames of the specified type that are queued for the callback chain.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to get the frame count
<i>nQueue</i>	Specifies the frame type. This can be one of the following values
<hr/>	
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_VIDEO	Return the number of video frames
ID_AUDIO	Return the number of audio frames
-1	Return the number of all frames

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NOT_INITIALISED	The callback chain has not been initialised
All other positive values	The number of frames

### **Comments**

## MPG4KX\_EnableExtraFrameInfo

`int MPG4KX_EnableExtraFrameInfo(nCard, nChannel, nEnable)`

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
int nEnable;        /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_EnableExtraFrameInfo** function enables or disables the extra frame information appended to each MPEG4 video frame.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to enable the extra information
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable. This can be one of the following values
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ENABLE	Enable the extra frame information
ID_DISABLE	Disable the extra frame information

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified

### Comments

## AVI functions

### MPG4K\_SetAVIFilename

```
int MPG4K_SetAVIFilename (nCard, nChannel, szFilename)
```

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
char *szFilename;  /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetAVIFilename** function sets the filename for the AVI output.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the filename for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the filename for
<i>*szFilename</i>	NULL terminated string specifying the filename

#### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOTFOUND	This function was called to close a file that was not open
ID_ERR_TIMEOUT	Timed out waiting to close the file

#### Comments

If the encoder is running when this function is called, the old file will be closed from the next I-frame and all subsequent data will be saved to the new filename. If an error occurs when trying to open the new file, an error will be sent to the asynchronous error handler installed by the **MPG4K\_SetErrorCallback** (page 86) function

To close the file without stopping the encoder or starting a new file, call this function with *szFilename=NULL*.

When closing the previous file, there is a 500ms timeout while waiting for control of the file. If the frame write blocks for more than 500ms (for example if the write to disk blocks) then the ID\_ERR\_TIMEOUT error will be signalled and the file will remain open.

The actual closure of the current AVI file is asynchronous to this call. To find out if the previous file has been fully closed call the **MPG4KX\_AVIFileOpen** (page 67)

## MPG4K\_SetAVIBufferSize

**int MPG4K\_SetAVIBufferSize (nCard, nChannel, ulBufferSize)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
unsigned long ulBufferSize; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetAVIBufferSize** function sets the buffer size for the AVI file in memory.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel
<i>ulBufferSize</i>	Specifies the buffer size to use, in bytes.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	The specified MPEG4000 could not be opened or was not detected.

### Comments

The AVI file is created in memory before being flushed to disk. This function specifies how much memory to use before flushing to disk.

## MPG4K\_FlushAVIBuffer

```
int MPG4K_FlushAVIBuffer (nCard, nChannel)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_FlushAVIBuffer** function flushes the AVI buffer to disk.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to flush the AVI buffer for

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### Comments

This function can be used to prematurely flush the AVI buffer to disk.

## MPG4K\_AddInfoChunk

**int MPG4K\_AddInfoChunk (nCard, nChannel, ulID, szString)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
unsigned long ulID; /* */  
char * szString;    /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_AddInfoChunk** function adds the specified ID and string to the INFO chunk in the saved AVI file.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel
<i>ulID</i>	Specifies the FOURCC ID of the new info chunk
<i>szString</i>	NULL terminated string to save in the info chunk

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	The specified MPEG4000 could not be opened or was not detected.

### Comments

To remove a previously defined INFO chunk ID, pass szString=NULL

## **MPG4K\_DisableCreationDate**

**int MPG4K\_DisableCreationDate (nCard, nChannel, nEnable)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
int nChannel;        /* */  
int nEnable;         /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_DisableCreationDate** function disables the addition of file creation timestamp to the AVI INFO chunk.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel
<i>nEnable</i>	. Specifies whether to enable or disable the creation date.
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ENABLE	Enable creation date
ID_DISABLE	Disable creation date

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	The specified MPEG4000 could not be opened or was not detected.

### **Comments**

## **MPG4K\_SetVideoFOURCC**

**int MPG4K\_SetVideoFOURCC (nCard, nChannel, ulFOURCC)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
unsigned long ulFOURCC; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetVideoFOURCC** function sets the FOURCC in the AVI for the specified channel.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to set the FOURCC for
<i>ulFOURCC</i>	Specifies the FOURCC to use in the AVI file.

---

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### **Comments**

The FOURCC must be set before the file is created by calling **MPG4K\_Start** (page 17 or before changing the name with **MPG4K\_SetAVIFilename**(page ) 57

The value for the *ulFOURCC* parameter can be obtained by using the mmioFOURCC function. For example, the value for DIVX would be the return value from

```
mmioFOURCC ('d', 'i', 'v', 'x')
```

mmioFOURCC is defined as:

```
#define mmioFOURCC( ch0, ch1, ch2, ch3 ) \  
( (unsigned long) (unsigned char) (ch0) | \  
( (unsigned long) (unsigned char) (ch1)<< 8 ) | \  
( (unsigned long) (unsigned char) (ch2) << 16 ) | \  
( (unsigned long) (unsigned char) (ch3) << 24 ) )
```

## **MPG4K\_EnablePrivateData**

**int MPG4K\_EnablePrivateData (nCard, nChannel, nEnable)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
int nChannel;        /* */  
int nEnable;         /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_EnablePrivateData** function enables or disables storage of the private data side band in the AVI file.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to enable or disable the private data
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable the private data side band storage. This can be one of the following values
<hr/>	
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ENABLE	Enable storage of the private data
ID_DISABLE	Disable storage of the private data

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### **Comments**

This function must be called before **MPG4K\_SetAVIFilename** (page 57)

Calling this function after MPG4K\_SetAVIFilename has no effect until the next call to these functions.

The default is for private side band data to not be stored in the AVI file.

## MPG4K\_RegisterPrivate

```
int MPG4K_RegisterPrivate (nCard, ulFOURCC)  
int nCard; /* */  
unsigned long ulFOURCC; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_RegisterPrivate** function registers a FOURCC for use with the private side band data.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card
<i>ulFOURCC</i>	Specifies a FOURCC code to register for use with the private side band data.

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
All other values	ID number of the FOURCC
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### Comments

The FOURCC is stored with the private side band data in the AVI file to identify the type of data.  
Each type of private data stored should use a unique FOURCC in order to identify it.

The ID number returned by this function should be used when calling **MPG4K\_WritePrivateData**  
(page 65)

## MPG4K\_WritePrivateData

**int MPG4K\_WritePrivateData (nCard, nChannel, nDataID, \*bpData, nSize)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
int nDataID;        /* */  
unsigned char *bpData; /* */  
int nSize;          /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_WritePrivateData** function writes the data specified by bpData to the AVI file as part of the side band data.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to write the private data for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel write the private data for
<i>nDataID</i>	Specifies the ID of the private data.
<i>bpData</i>	Pointer to the data to write to the private data side band in the AVI
<i>nSize</i>	Specifies the size of the data in bytes

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOTFOUND	The ID number specified by nDataID was not found in the private data FOURCC list

### Comments

nDataID must be the ID returned by the call to **MPG4K\_RegisterPrivate** (page 64) to register the FOURCC for the type of this data

## MPG4K\_SetPrivateRate

**int MPG4K\_SetPrivateRate (nCard, nChannel, ulRate, ulScale)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
unsigned long ulRate; /* */  
unsigned long ulScale; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetPrivateRate** function sets the rate that the private data will be saved to AVI file.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the private data rate for.
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to set the private data rate for
<i>ulRate</i>	Specifies the rate.
<i>ulScale</i>	Specifies the scale

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

The Rate and Scale is saved to the AVI file to tell the decoder how fast to play the private data.  
The number of private data packets per second is calculated by dividing ulRate by ulScale.  
If the actual rate of private data packets is less than sample rate specified by this function then dummy packets are saved to the AVI file.  
If the actual rate of private data packets is greater than the sample rate specified by this function then the private data will play back too slowly.  
The dummy private packets have a total overhead of 52bytes per packet.

## MPG4KX\_AVIFileOpen

**int MPG4KX\_AVIFileOpen(*nCard*, *nChannel*, *szFilename*)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
char *szFilename;   /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_AVIFileOpen** function returns whether the specified AVI file has been fully closed.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to get the AVI file status from
<i>szFilename</i>	NULL terminated string specifying which file to get the status for.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
0	File is not open
1	File is still open
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

## MPG4KX\_SetAVICloseFrameCount

```
int MPG4KX_SetAVICloseFrameCount (nCard, nChannel, ulCount)  
  
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
unsigned long ulCount; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetAVICloseFrameCount** function sets how often the AVI file closure should sleep .

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the frame count for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to set the frame count for
<i>ulCount</i>	Specifies the number of frames between each sleep. Default is 250

### Returns

The return value is 0

### Comments

The AVI close is asynchronous to the **MPG4K\_SetAVIFilename** (page 57) call.  
In order to not consume too much CPU, the library sleeps for 10ms after a specific number of index entries has been written. Without doing this, lower performance systems will have high CPU usage which can cause unwanted side effects.  
Pass *ulCount*=0 to disable sleeping

## MP4 functions

### MPG4K\_SetMP4Filename

**int MPG4K\_SetMP4Filename (nCard, nChannel, szFilename)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
char *szFilename;   /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetMP4Filename** function sets the filename for the MP4 output.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the filename for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the filename for
<i>*szFilename</i>	NULL terminated string specifying the filename

#### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOTFOUND	This function was called to close a file that was not open
ID_ERR_TIMEOUT	Timed out waiting to close the file

#### Comments

If the encoder is running when this function is called, the old file will be closed from the next I-frame and all subsequent data will be saved to the new filename. If an error occurs when trying to open the new file, an error will be sent to the asynchronous error handler installed by the **MPG4K\_SetErrorHandler** (page 86) function

To close the file without stopping the encoder or starting a new file, call this function with *szFilename=NULL*.

When closing the previous file, there is a 500ms timeout while waiting for control of the file. If the frame write blocks for more than 500ms (for example if the write to disk blocks) then the *ID\_ERR\_TIMEOUT* error will be signalled and the file will remain open.

Audio will not be saved to the file since the MP4 file format does not support ADPCM or mu-Law.

If Apple's QuickTime is to be the video player, it is necessary to enable compatibility using the **MPG4KX\_EnableQTCompatibility** (page 50) function.

## MPG4KX\_MP4FileOpen

**int MPG4KX\_MP4FileOpen(*nCard*, *nChannel*, *szFilename*)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
char *szFilename;  /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_MP4FileOpen** function returns whether the specified MP4 file has been fully closed.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to get the MP4 file status from
<i>szFilename</i>	NULL terminated string specifying which file to get the status for.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
0	File is not open
1	File is still open
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

## **Pre and post trigger buffering functions**

### **MPG4K\_EnablePreTrigger**

```
int MPG4K_EnablePreTrigger (nCard, nChannel, nEnable, nPreBuffer, nPostBuffer)

int nCard;           /* */
int nChannel;        /* */
int nEnable;         /* */
int nPreBuffer;      /* */
int nPostBuffer;     /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_EnablePreTrigger** function enables or disables pre-trigger and post-trigger buffering.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to enable the pre-trigger buffering
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable the pre-trigger and post trigger buffering. This can be one of the following values:
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ENABLE	Enable the pre-trigger buffering
ID_DISABLE	Disable the pre-trigger buffering
<i>nPreBuffer</i>	Specifies the number of frames to pre-buffer. Passing 0 disables pre-buffering
<i>nPostBuffer</i>	Specifies the number of frames to post-buffer. Passing 0 disables post-buffering

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### **Comments**

Enabling pre-trigger and post-trigger buffering causes the video and audio to be buffered before and after the trigger event is signalled.

The number of frames for pre-buffering will be rounded up to the next I-frame and will be the maximum number of frames buffered.

The number of frames for post-buffering will not be rounded up to the next I-frame

The trigger is set/cleared by calling MPG4K\_TriggerPreBuffer

A filename change during the post-buffering phase will not occur until the first I-frame after the end of the phase unless triggering is reasserted during this period. In that case, the filename will be changed at the next I-frame

## MPG4K\_TriggerPreBuffer

**int MPG4K\_TriggerPreBuffer (nCard, nChannel, nEnable)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nEnable;       /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_EnablePreTrigger** function enables or disables pre-trigger and post-trigger buffering.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to set the trigger state
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to trigger buffering. This can one of the following values:
<hr/>	
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ENABLE	Assert the trigger.
ID_DISABLE	De-assert the trigger

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

Pre-trigger buffering needs to be enabled using the MPG4K\_EnablePreTrigger function. If buffering is enabled, the MPEG4000 will record to file as long as the trigger is set, including the specified number of frames encoded before and after the trigger was set. Asserting the trigger takes precedence over the post triggering phase. Asserting the trigger causes the pre-trigger buffer to be emptied.

## MPG4K\_PostTriggering

**int MPG4K\_PostTriggering (nCard, nChannel)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_PostTriggering** function returns whether the post trigger buffering is still ongoing.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies from which channel to get the post trigger buffer state

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
0	Not post trigger buffering
1	Post trigger buffering is still ongoing
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### Comments

This function can be used to poll if post triggering is still ongoing. This is useful since filename

changes do not take effect until the first I-frame after the end of post triggering

The exception to this is if the trigger is reasserted during the post trigger period, in which case the filename will be changed at the next I-frame

## MPG4KX\_SetAlwaysOpenFile

`int MPG4KX_SetAlwaysOpenFile (nCard, nChannel, ulFiles)`

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
unsigned long ulFiles; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetAlwaysOpenFile** function sets whether the specified file types should always be opened when a new filename is requested.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to control
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to set file open flags
<i>ulFiles</i>	Specifies the file types on which files should be opened. This is a bit mask of the following values:
<hr/>	
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_AVI_BIT	AVI files should always be created

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

This function can be used to defer file creation until data is ready to be written when using pre-trigger buffering.

If file creation is not set to always then the file will only be created once the trigger is asserted.

If file creation is set to always then the file will be created upon the call to MPG4K\_SetAVIFilename, even if the trigger is not asserted. This could lead to empty AVI files.

## MPG4KX\_SingleShotTrigger

**int MPG4KX\_SingleShotTrigger (nCard, nChannel, \*szFilename, nEventDuration)**

```
int nCard;          /* */
int nChannel;       /* */
char *szFilename;  /* */
int nEventDuration; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SingleShotTrigger** function causes the specified file to be created with the currently pre-buffered data.

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to generate the single shot trigger
<i>*szFilename</i>	NULL terminated string specifying the filename that should be created for this trigger event.
<i>nEventDuration</i>	Specifies the duration of the event in frames. This can also be 0 and -1

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

Value	Meaning
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_ENCODING	The encoder is not currently running
ID_ERR_NOT_INITIALISED	The callback chain is not initialised
ID_ERR_TIMEOUT	Timed out waiting to flush to disk
ID_ERR_AVISTART	Error creating the AVI file
ID_ERR_MP4START	Error creating the MP4 file
All positive values	Trigger ID

### Comments

This function can be used to create a file for a single shot trigger. Unlike asserting the main trigger, this function does not change the buffered data.

The pre and post buffer duration are controlled by **MPG4K\_EnablePreTrigger** (page 71).

The nEventDuration specifies how long the event should last for, in frames. This means that the total duration of the created file will be at least nPreBuffer+nEventDuration+ nPostBuffer frames.

Generating a single shot trigger while the trigger is asserted will not save any pre-event data. Multiple single shot triggers can be saving data simultaneously independently of each other.

If the filename contains .avi then the file created will be an AVI file.

If the filename contains .mp4 then the file created will be a MP4 file.

The trigger ID returned can be used to stop the by calling **MPG4KX\_StopSingleShotTrigger**(page 77)

Specifying an event duration of -1 will cause the data to be saved to disk until stopped by calling **MPG4KX\_StopSingleShotTrigger**(page 77) is called

## MPG4KX\_StopSingleShotTrigger

**int MPG4KX\_StopSingleShotTrigger (nCard, nChannel, nID)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nID;           /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_StopSingleShotTrigger** function stops the specified single shot trigger.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to stop the single shot trigger
<i>nID</i>	Specifies the ID for the single shot trigger to stop

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOT_FOUND	The specified single shot trigger was not found

---

### Comments

This function will cause the specified single shot trigger event to become de-asserted. The saving to disk will continue for the post trigger buffering duration specified in the call to **MPG4K\_EnablePreTrigger** (page 71).

## Callback functions

### MPG4K\_AddVideoCallback

```
int MPG4K_AddVideoCallback (nCard, nChannel, *Callback, *lpContext)

int nCard;                      /* */
int nChannel;                   /* */
void (*Callback)(void *lpContext, unsigned char *bpData, int nDataSize, int nChannel, int
isKeyFrame, int nFrameCnt);    /* */
void *lpContext;                /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_AddVideoCallback** function adds the supplied callback function to the video callback chain.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to add the callback for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to add the callback for
<i>Callback</i>	Specifies the callback function to call for each frame of compressed video data
<i>lpContext</i>	Specifies the context to pass to the callback as the first parameter.

#### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
All other positive values	Callback ID number.

#### Comments

The callback is called in the same thread context as the data parser so processing in the callback function should not take very long since other callbacks may be waiting to be called. The callback function should not block.

The callback function is called once for each frame of video.

The bpData contains one frame of compressed video. This data complies with ISO 14496-2. Do not modify the data pointed to by this variable.

The isKeyFrame variable passed to the callback equals 1 if the data is an I-frame and 0 if it is a P-frame  
The callback can be removed from the callback chain by calling MPG4K\_RemoveVideoCallback

## MPG4K\_AddAudioCallback

**int MPG4K\_AddAudioCallback (nCard, nChannel, \*Callback, \*lpContext)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
int nChannel;        /* */  
void (*Callback)(void *lpContext, unsigned char *bpData, int nDataSize ,int nChannel, int  
isKeyFrame, int nFrameCnt); /* */  
void *lpContext;     /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_AddAudioCallback** function adds the supplied callback function to the audio callback chain.

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to add the callback for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to add the callback for
<i>Callback</i>	Specifies the callback function to call for each frame of compressed audio data
<i>lpContext</i>	Specifies the context to pass to the callback as the first parameter.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

Value	Meaning
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
All other positive values	Callback ID number.

### Comments

The callback is called in the same thread context as the data parser so processing in the callback function should not take very long since other callbacks may be waiting to be called. The callback function should not block.

The bpData contains compressed audio. The format of this data depends on the audio format specified by MPG4K\_SetAudioFormat. The default is ADPCM.

Do not modify the data pointed to by this variable.

The isKeyFrame variable passed to the callback equals 1 if the data is an I-frame and 0 if it is a P-frame. The nFrameCnt variable passed to the callback contains the number of audio frames pointed to by bpData

The callback can be removed from the callback chain by calling MPG4K\_RemoveAudioCallback

## MPG4K\_AddMotionCallback

```
int MPG4K_AddMotionCallback (nCard, nChannel, *Callback, *lpContext)
int nCard;           /* */
int nChannel;        /* */
void (*Callback)(void *lpContext, unsigned char *bpData, int nDataSize, int nChannel, int
isKeyFrame, int nFrameCnt); /* */
void *lpContext;     /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_AddMotionCallback** function adds the supplied callback function to the motion detection callback chain.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to add the callback for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to add the callback for
<i>Callback</i>	Specifies the callback function to call for each frame of motion detection data
<i>lpContext</i>	Specifies the context to pass to the callback as the first parameter.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
All other positive values	Callback ID number.

### Comments

The callback is called in the same thread context as the data parser so processing in the callback function should not take very long since other callbacks may be waiting to be called. The callback function should not block.

The bpData contains one frame of motion detection data.

Do not modify the data pointed to by this variable.

The callback can be removed from the callback chain by calling MPG4K\_RemoveMotionCallback  
Please see the motion detection section for details of the motion detection data.

## MPG4K\_RemoveVideoCallback

**int MPG4K\_RemoveVideoCallback (nCard, nChannel, nID)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nID;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_RemoveVideoCallback** function removes the supplied callback function from the video callback chain.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to remove the callback for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to remove the callback for
<i>nID</i>	Specifies the ID of the callback to remove

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

## MPG4K\_RemoveAudioCallback

**int MPG4K\_RemoveAudioCallback (nCard, nChannel, nID)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nID;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_RemoveAudioCallback** function removes the supplied callback function from the audio callback chain.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to remove the callback for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to remove the callback for
<i>nID</i>	Specifies the ID of the callback to remove

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

## MPG4K\_RemoveMotionCallback

**int MPG4K\_RemoveMotionCallback (nCard, nChannel, nID)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nID;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_RemoveMotionCallback** function removes the supplied callback function from the motion detection callback chain.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to remove the callback for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to remove the callback for
<i>nID</i>	Specifies the ID of the callback to remove

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### Comments

## MPG4K\_AddPreviewCallback

```
int MPG4K_AddPreviewCallback (nCard, nChannel, *Callback, *lpContext)
int nCard;           /* */
int nChannel;        /* */
void (*Callback)(void *lpContext, unsigned char *bpData, int nDataSize, int nChannel, int
isKeyFrame, int nFrameCnt); /* */
void *lpContext;     /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_AddPreviewCallback** function adds the supplied callback function to the preview callback chain.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to add the callback for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to add the callback for
<i>Callback</i>	Specifies the callback function to call for each frame of raw preview data
<i>lpContext</i>	Specifies the context to pass to the callback as the first parameter.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
All other positive values	Callback ID number.

### Comments

The callback is called in the same thread context as the onscreen preview so processing in the callback function should not take very long since other callbacks may be waiting to be called. The callback function should not block.

The bpData contains one frame of uncompressed video data.

Do not modify the data pointed to by this variable.

If onscreen preview is not enabled, the format of the preview data can be chosen by calling MPG4K\_SetPreviewFOURCC, MPG4K\_SetPreviewDepth and MPG4K\_SetPreviewPitch. Before using the preview data for the first time, the format should be confirmed by calling MPG4K\_GetPreviewFOURCC, MPG4K\_GetPreviewDepth and MPG4K\_GetPreviewPitch. This function is available in both preview and non-preview versions of the SDK.

## MPG4K\_RemovePreviewCallback

`int MPG4K_RemovePreviewCallback (nCard, nChannel, nID)`

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nID;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_RemovePreviewCallback** function removes the supplied callback function from the preview callback chain.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<code>nCard</code>	Specifies which card to remove the callback for
<code>nChannel</code>	Specifies which channel to remove the callback for
<code>nID</code>	Specifies the ID of the callback to remove

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<code>ID_OK</code>	Success
<code>ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL</code>	An invalid card or channel number was specified
<code>ID_ERR_NODEVICE</code>	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### Comments

## MPG4K\_SetErrorCallback

```
int MPG4K_SetErrorCallback (ErrorCallback, lpContext)  
void (*ErrorCallback)(void *lpContext, tErrorCallback Cause);      /* */  
void *lpContext;          /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetErrorCallback** function sets the supplied callback function as the error callback.

---

Parameter	Description
ErrorCallback	Specifies the callback to call with asynchronous errors
lpContext	Specifies the context to pass to the callback as the first parameter

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

The tErrorCallback structure will contain card number and channel that the error occurred on. If the error is not channel specific the nChannel element will be -1

The nSource element will be one of the ID\_ERRCB\_ error numbers.

The nError element will be one of the ID\_ERR\_ error numbers.

The callback will only be called for errors that don't occur immediately when one of the SDK functions is called, for example changing the AVI filename

## Video setting functions

### MPG4K\_SetBrightness

`int MPG4K_SetBrightness (nCard, nChannel, bBright)`

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
signed char bBright; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetBrightness** function sets the brightness for the specified channel.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the brightness for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the brightness for
<i>bBright</i>	Specifies the new brightness value to use. This value can be between –128 and 127 where positive values are brighter.

#### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

#### Comments

## MPG4K\_GetBrightness

**int MPG4K\_GetBrightness (nCard, nChannel)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetBrightness** function returns the current brightness setting.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to return the brightness for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to return the brightness for

---

### Returns

The return value is the brightness.

### Comments

## MPG4K\_SetContrast

**int MPG4K\_SetContrast (nCard, nChannel, bContrast)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
unsigned char bContrast; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetContrast** function sets the contrast for the specified channel.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the contrast for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the contrast for
<i>bContrast</i>	Specifies the contrast.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

## MPG4K\_GetContrast

**int MPG4K\_GetContrast(*nCard*, *nChannel*)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetContrast** function returns the current contrast setting.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to return the contrast for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to return the contrast for

---

### Returns

The return value is the contrast.

### Comments

## MPG4K\_SetHue

**int MPG4K\_SetHue (nCard, nChannel, bHue)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
signed char bHue;  /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetHue** function sets the hue for the specified channel.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the hue for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the hue for
<i>bHue</i>	Specifies the hue.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

## MPG4K\_GetHue

```
int MPG4K_GetHue(nCard, nChannel)
int nCard;           /* */
int nChannel;       /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetHue** function returns the current hue setting.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to return the hue for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to return the hue for

---

### Returns

The return value is the hue.

### Comments

## MPG4K\_SetSaturation

**int MPG4K\_SetSaturation (nCard, nChannel, bSaturation)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
unsigned char bSaturation; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetSaturation** function sets the saturation for the specified channel.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the hue for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the hue for
<i>bSaturation</i>	Specifies the saturation.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

## MPG4K\_GetSaturation

```
int MPG4K_GetSaturationU(nCard, nChannel)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetSaturation** function returns the current saturation setting for the specified channel.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to return the saturation for
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to return the saturation for

---

### Returns

The return value is the saturation.

### Comments

## MPG4K\_PowerDecoder

**int MPG4K\_PowerDecoder (nCard, nChannel, nEnable)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
int nChannel;        /* */  
int nEnable;         /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_PowerDecoder** function powers up or down the specified input decoder.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to power the decoder
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to power up or down
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to power the specified decoder up or down. This can be one of the following values
<hr/>	
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ENABLE	Power up decoder
ID_DISABLE	Power down decoder

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### Comments

Upon initialisation, only the decoder for channel 0 (input group A) is powered. Selecting modes using **MPG4K\_SetMode** (page 22) or **MPG4K\_SetPreviewMode** (page 117) or changing the routing using **MPG4K\_SetInputPath** (page 28) or **MPG4K\_SetPreviewInputPath**(page 118) will cause the required decoders to be powered up. However, decoders will not be powered down when not used. This function can be used to power down the unused decoders.

## **MPG4KX\_VideoDetected**

**int MPG4KX\_VideoDetected (nCard, nChannel)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_VideoDetected** function returns whether a video signal has been detected on the specified channel.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to get the video detected status
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies which channel to get the video detected status from

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

For the MPEG4000XLP, the return value can also be a logical combination of the following

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_NO_HLOCK	The horizontal PLL is not locked.
ID_NO_VIDEO	Video loss has been detected
ID_VIDEO_BLIND	Blind video has been detected. This could signify the camera has been covered

For the MPEG4-CPCI can be a logical combination of the following

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_NO_HLOCK	The horizontal PLL is not locked.
ID_NO_VIDEO	Video loss has been detected
ID_NO_SLOCK	The sub-carrier PLL is not locked. The incoming video could be in the wrong format
ID_NO_VLOCK	The vertical lock is not locked. The incoming video could be in the wrong format

### **Comments**

## **Video Filter functions**

The MPEG4000XLP and MPEG4-CPCI has optional video filters built in. These can be used to filter out noise or de-interlace the input video. The filters are within the encoding engine so do not affect the preview.

### **MPG4KX\_EnableFilters**

**int MPG4KX\_EnableFilters (nCard, nChannel, nF1, nF2, nF3)**

```
int nCard;           /* */
int nChannel;        /* */
int nF1;            /* */
int nF2;            /* */
int nF3;            /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_EnableFilters** function enables or disables the filters.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to enable the filters on
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies on which channel to enable the filters for
<i>nF1</i>	Specifies whether to enable Filter 1 This can be one of the following values
<i>nF2</i>	
	Specifies whether to enable Filter 2 This can be one of the following values
<i>nF3</i>	
	Specifies whether to enable Filter 3 This can be one of the following values
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ENABLE	Enable filter
ID_DISABLE	Disable filter
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ENABLE	Enable filter
ID_DISABLE	Disable filter
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ENABLE	Enable filter
ID_DISABLE	Disable filter

#### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

#### **Comments**

Filter 1

Filter 1 is a two-dimensional (horizontal and vertical) de-interlacing filter designed to reduce line flicker and other artefacts due to interlaced video input.

### Filter 2

Filter 2 is designed to reduce the thermal noise associated with some camera sensor technologies.

### Filter 3

Filter 3 models the input picture and is designed to eliminate the outliner noise that does not conform to this model.

## MPG4KX\_SetFilterLevel

**int MPG4KX\_SetFilterLevel(*nCard*, *nChannel*, *nFilter*, *nLevel*)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nFilter;        /* */  
int nLevel;         /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetFilterLevel** function sets the level for the specified filter.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the filter level on
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies for which channel to set the filter level
<i>nFilter</i>	Specifies which filter to set the level for. This must be 1, 2 or 3
<i>nLevel</i>	Specifies the filter level.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	An invalid filter number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

#### Filter 1

The filter level can be between 0 and 7 (inclusive). Values of 0 to 3 provide two-dimensional filtering and values 4 to 7 provide filtering in the vertical direction only. A higher number results in stronger filtering.

#### Filter 2

The filter level is split into two 8-bit values, with bits 0 to 7 of nLevel being the luminance filter level and bits 8 to 15 being the chrominance filter level. The filter level should indicate the expected amount of noise so a higher values provides greater filtering. Valid values for each level are 0 to 31.

#### Filter 3

The filter level is split into two 3-bit values, with bits 0 to 2 of nLevel being the low frequency filter level and bits 16 to 18 being the high frequency filter. Higher levels for each provide greater filtering. Valid values for each level are 0 to 7.

## ***Motion detection***

The MPEG4000XLP supports a basic motion detection method where an object moving out of a 16x16 macro block will be flag that macro block as having motion.

Motion detection data is generated for every video frame that is encoded at the same rate that the encoding takes place.

The motion detection data is packed such that each bit of the data corresponds to one 16x16 macro block, with the bit being set meaning motion has been detected.

## ***MPG4K\_EnableMotion***

**int MPG4K\_EnableMotion (nCard, nChannel, nEnable)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
int nChannel;        /* */  
int nEnable;         /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_EnableMotion** function enables or disables the motion detection.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to enable or disable motion detection.
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to enable or disable the motion detection on
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable the motion detection. This can be one of the following values:
<hr/>	
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ENABLE	Enable the motion detection
ID_DISABLE	Disable the motion detection
<hr/>	

### ***Returns***

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### ***Comments***

The motion detection threshold value controls how sensitive the motion detection is, with 1 being most sensitive and 10 being least sensitive.

Motion detection is performed on all channels independently for ID\_QUAD\_MODE and ID\_MUXD1\_MODE.

In ID\_SINGLE\_MODE, ID\_QUAD\_MODE\_SINGLE and ID\_PIP\_MODE, motion detection is only performed on channel 0

## MPG4KX\_SetMotionPreProcessing

**int MPG4KX\_SetMotionPreProcessing (nCard, nChannel, nEnable)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nEnable;       /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetMotionPreProcessing** function sets enables or disables the pre-processing of motion detection data.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the motion pre-processing
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the motion pre-processing for
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable motion detection data pre-processing. This can be one of the following values:
<hr/>	
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ENABLE	Enable the motion detection pre-processing
ID_DISABLE	Disable the motion detection pre-processing

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

The motion detection data pre-processing defaults to disabled.

With this enabled, the motion detection callback is called only when the motion detection data changes. Additionally, the pre-processing can also mask out regions of the video to that motion detected in those areas are not passed on. The functions **MPG4KX\_SetMotionMask** (page 103) and **MPG4KX\_AddMotionMask** (page 104) should be used to set up the masks.

## MPG4K\_SetMotionThreshold

**int MPG4K\_SetMotionThreshold (nCard, nChannel, bTR)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;       /* */  
unsigned char bTR;  /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetMotionThreshold** function sets the threshold value for the motion detection.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the motion threshold
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the motion threshold value for
<i>bTR</i>	Specifies the threshold value for the motion detection. This can be between 1 and 10 inclusive.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

The motion detection threshold value controls how sensitive the motion detection is, with 1 being most sensitive and 10 being least sensitive.

Motion detection is performed on all channels independently for ID\_QUAD\_MODE and ID\_MUXD1\_MODE.

In ID\_SINGLE\_MODE, ID\_QUAD\_MODE\_SINGLE and ID\_PIP\_MODE, motion detection is only performed on channel 0

Please note that motion detection is more sensitive when lower frame rates are used since the changes between frames are more noticeable.

## MPG4KX\_SetMotionMask

**int MPG4KX\_SetMotionMask (nCard, nChannel, \*bpMask, nLength)**

```
int nCard;          /* */
int nChannel;       /* */
unsigned char *bpMask; /* */
int nLength;        /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetMotionMask** function sets the mask used to mask out areas from the motion detection.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to start the motion detection mask
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the motion detection mask for
<i>bpMask</i>	Specifies the motion detection mask to use
<i>nLength</i>	Specifies the length in bytes of the motion detection mask pointed to by <i>bpMask</i> .

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

The data pointed to by *bpMask* is in the same form as the motion detection data, each bit corresponds to a 16x16 macro block in the video. The most significant bit of the first byte corresponds to the top left of the video. Having the bit set means that motion detection for that area should be used, having the bit cleared means that motion detection for that area should be masked out.

The motion detection mask set by this function overrides all previous calls to this function or **MPG4KX\_AddMotionMask** (page 104)

## MPG4KX\_AddMotionMask

```
int MPG4KX_AddMotionMask (nCard, nChannel, *bpMask, nLength)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */  
RECT *lpRect; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_AddMotionMask** function adds the specified area to the motion detection mask.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to start the motion detection mask
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the channel to set the motion detection mask for
<i>lpRect</i>	Specifies an area to mask out

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

Motion detection pre-processing must be enabled using **MPG4KX\_SetMotionPreProcessing** (page 101) for the motion detection mask to be used

The area specified by this function is masked out so that motion detection in this area is ignored.

## Preview functions

### MPG4K\_StartPreview

```
int MPG4K_StartPreview (nCard, hWnd)  
int nCard; /* */  
HWND hWnd; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_StartPreview** function starts the preview engine.

---

Parameter	Description
nCard	Specifies which card to start the preview for.
hWnd	Specifies the window handle of the parent window

---

#### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

#### Comments

Windows only.

## **MPG4K\_StartPreview**

```
int MPG4K_StartPreview (nCard)  
int nCard; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_StartPreview** function starts the preview engine.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to start the preview for.

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### **Comments**

All other operating systems

## MPG4K\_StopPreview

```
int MPG4K_StopPreview (nCard)
int nCard;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_StopPreview** function stops the preview engine.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to stop the preview for

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### Comments

Under Linux, this function will close the preview window.

## MPG4K\_EnablePreview

```
int MPG4K_EnablePreview (nCard, nEnable)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nEnable; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_EnablePreview** function enables the preview window.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the private data rate for.
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable the preview window. This can be one of the following values:
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ENABLE	Enable the preview window
ID_DISABLE	Disable the preview window

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

### Comments

This function should be called after **MPG4K\_StartPreview** (page 105) to show or hide the preview. ID\_DISABLE has no effect when used under Linux with the SDL preview engine.

## MPG4K\_SetPreviewDestination

**int MPG4K\_SetPreviewDestination (nCard, nDestination)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nDestination; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetPreviewDestination** function specifies the destination of the preview.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the private data rate for.
<i>nDestination</i>	Specifies the destination of the preview. It is a bit mask of the following values
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_PREVIEW_ONSCREEN	Onscreen preview

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### Comments

Setting nDestination to 0 prevents preview to screen. The data will still be captured and passed to any registered preview callbacks.

## MPG4K\_PreviewSetColourKey

```
int MPG4K_SetPreviewColourKey (nCard, ulColourKey)  
int nCard; /* */  
unsigned long ulColourKey; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetPreviewColourKey** function sets the colour key for the preview window.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the colour key for
<i>ulColourKey</i>	Specifies the colour key to use

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NO_COLOURKEY	Colour keying not available

---

### Comments

The colour key should be in the correct format for the current display mode.  
Colour keying may not be available on all display hardware or in all display modes.  
This function does not set the colour when using the SDL preview engine under Linux.  
Colour keying is used by default if available on the hardware.

## **MPG4K\_SetPreviewLocation**

```
int MPG4K_SetPreviewLocation (nCard, lpRect)
int nCard;           /* */
RECT *lpRect;        /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetPreviewLocation** function sets the location of the preview window.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the location for
<i>lpRect</i>	Specifies the location of the preview window

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_PREVIEW	Setting the desired location requires a restart of the preview engine.
All other values	DirectX error values

### **Comments**

The location specified in the *lpRect* is in units of pixels and is relative to the parent windows client area.

This function can be used to position the preview window only after MPG4K\_StartPreview has been called.

Under Windows, if **MPG4K\_EnablePreview** (page 108) has not been called, the preview window will not be visible.

This function will scale the preview to be the size specified

This function can also be used to set the preview capture resolution when preview to screen has been disabled.

The width and height of the preview captured may be different from the values passed to this function due to the need for certain memory alignments. **MPG4K\_GetPreviewWidth** (page 119) and **MPG4K\_GetPreviewHeight** (page 120) should be called if the actual width and height are required.

The preview engine will capture up to a maximum of 704x576 for PAL sources and 704x480 for NTSC sources. For windows above this, hardware scaling provided by the display adapter is used where available.

This function does not set the position but does rescale the preview when using the SDL preview engine under Linux.

## MPG4K\_SetPreviewFOURCC

```
int MPG4K_SetPreviewFOURCC (nCard, ulFOURCC)  
  
int nCard;          /* */  
unsigned long ulFOURCC; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetPreviewFOURCC** function sets the desired format of the preview data.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the preview format for
<i>ulFOURCC</i>	Specifies the desired format of the preview data.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	An invalid FOURCC was passed

### Comments

Supported FOURCCs are

---

Value	Meaning
mmioFOURCC('R','G','B','4')	32bits per pixel RGB
mmioFOURCC('R','G','B','3')	24bits per pixel RGB
mmioFOURCC('R','G','B','2')	16bits per pixel RGB
mmioFOURCC('Y','U','Y','2')	YUV 422
mmioFOURCC('U','Y','V','Y')	YUV 422 with different component ordering

If previewing to screen then the format automatically selected takes precedence over the format specified by this function.

24bit per pixel and 32bit per pixel RGB are not supported under QNX.

## MPG4K\_GetPreviewFOURCC

**int MPG4K\_GetPreviewFOURCC (nCard)**

**int nCard;**                                   /\* \*/

The **MPG4K\_SetPreviewFOURCC** function returns the current format of the preview data.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to get the preview format

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
All other values	FOURCC

### Comments

The preview data format should be determined using this function before using it.

All RGB formats will return the same FOURCC, which will be mmioFOURCC('R','G','B'). To get the depth of the RGB, call **MPG4K\_GetPreviewDepth** (page 116)

## MPG4K\_SetPreviewPitch

```
int MPG4K_SetPreviewPitch (nCard, ulFOURCC)  
int nCard; /* */  
unsigned long ulPitch; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetPreviewPitch** function sets the desired pitch of the preview data.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the preview pitch
<i>ulPitch</i>	Specifies the desired pitch of the preview data. This is the number of bytes between the start of consecutive lines in memory.

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised

---

### Comments

Pitch is also sometimes called stride.

Setting the pitch to a value greater than the preview width multiplied by the number of bytes per pixel is useful when saving the data to file formats that pad the end of each video line. BMP is one such format that pads to the next DWORD.

If previewing to screen then the pitch automatically selected takes precedence over the format specified by this function.

## MPG4K\_GetPreviewPitch

**int MPG4K\_GetPreviewPitch (nCard)**

**int nCard;**                                   /\* \*/

The **MPG4K\_GetPreviewPitch** function gets the pitch of the preview data.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to get the preview pitch

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
All other positive values	Pitch.

### Comments

## MPG4K\_GetPreviewDepth

```
int MPG4K_GetPreviewDepth (nCard)  
int nCard; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetPreviewDepth** function returns the current depth the preview data.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to get the preview depth

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
All other positive values	Number of bits per pixel.

---

### Comments

## MPG4K\_SetPreviewMode

**int MPG4K\_SetPreviewMode (nCard, nMode)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nMode;          /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetPreviewMode** function sets the mode for the preview path.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the mode for.
<i>nMode</i>	Specifies the mode to use. This can be one of the following values.
<hr/>	
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_QUAD_MODE	Preview the four channels as four separate quadrants, each at CIF resolution
ID_QUAD_MODE_SINGLE	As ID_QUAD_MODE
ID_SINGLE_MODE	Preview only one channel at D1 resolution
ID_MUXD1_MODE	Preview the four channels at D1 resolution cycling between each
ID_PIP_MODE	Preview one channel at D1 resolution and one channel at reduced resolution
ID_DUAL_MODE_SINGLE	Encode the first two channels arranged in two halves as a single file at D1 resolution

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_INVALID_MODE	An invalid mode was specified

### Comments

In ID\_PIP\_MODE, the smaller window is QCIF.

This function sets the mode of the preview path only. To set the capture mode as well, use **MPG4K\_SetMode** (page 22).

## MPG4K\_SetPreviewInputPath

**int MPG4K\_SetPreviewInputPath (nCard, nChannel, nInput)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int nInput;        /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetPreviewInputPath** function sets the routing for the video inputs in the preview path.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to set the input routing for.
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the destination channel.
<i>nInput</i>	Specifies the input to route to the specified channel

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_OK	Success
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified

### Comments

This function is only available on the MPEG4000-XLP.

Input 0 corresponds to input group A

Input 1 corresponds to input group B

Input 2 corresponds to input group C

Input 3 corresponds to input group D

It is possible to route the same input to multiple channels.

This functions sets the routing only for the preview path.

## MPG4K\_GetPreviewWidth

```
int MPG4K_GetPreviewWidth (nCard)
int nCard;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetPreviewWidth** function returns the width (in pixels) the preview engine is capturing the preview data at.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to get the preview width for

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

Value	Meaning
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
Other positive values	Width of preview capture in pixels

---

### Comments

This function should be used to retrieve the width of the preview since **MPG4K\_SetPreviewLocation** (page 111) may adjust the actual width to prevent memory alignment issues.

## MPG4K\_GetPreviewHeight

```
int MPG4K_GetPreviewHeight (nCard)
int nCard;           /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_GetPreviewHeight** function returns the height (in lines) the preview engine is capturing the preview data at.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to get the preview width for

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

---

Value	Meaning
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
Other positive values	Height of preview capture in pixels

---

### Comments

This function should be used to retrieve the height of the preview since **MPG4K\_SetPreviewLocation** (page 111) may adjust the actual height to prevent memory alignment issues.

## MPG4KX\_SetNumPreviewBuffers

`int MPG4KX_SetNumPreviewBuffers (nCard, nNumBuffers)`

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nNumBuffers;   /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetNumPreviewBuffers** function sets the number of preview buffers that should be used. Each buffer corresponds to one frame and is queued for use by the preview capture engine

---

Parameter	Description
<code>nCard</code>	Specifies for which card to set the number of preview buffer
<code>nNumBuffers</code>	Specifies the number of buffers to use. Default is 8

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
<code>ID_ERR_NODEVICE</code>	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
<code>ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL</code>	An invalid card number was specified
<code>ID_ERR_ENCODING</code>	The preview engine is currently running
<code>ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED</code>	An invalid number of buffers was specified
<code>ID_OK</code>	Success

### Comments

This function cannot be called while the preview engine is running.

If called, this function must be called before **MPG4K\_StartPreview** (page 105).

If using a reduced preview frame rate, the number of buffers must be set to 1.

## **MPG4KX\_SetPreviewFrameRate**

```
int MPG4KX_SetPreviewFrameRate (nCard, nFrameRate)
int nCard;           /* */
int nFrameRate;      /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetPreviewRate** function sets the desired frame rate for the preview.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies for which card to set the preview frame rate	
<i>nFrameRate</i>	Specifies the desired frame rate for the preview. This is a maximum and is not guaranteed. This can be one of the following values:	
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning for PAL</i>	<i>Meaning for NTSC</i>
0	25	30
1	12.5	15
2	6.25	7.5
3	3.125	3.75
4	1.562	1.865
5	0.781	0.938

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values.

<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card number was specified
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	An invalid frame rate was specified or the number of preview buffers is not 1
ID_OK	Success

### **Comments**

If using a reduced preview frame rate, the number of buffers must be set to 1 first using **MPG4KX\_SetNumPreviewBuffers** (page 121).

## OSD Functions

The MPEG4000-XLP allows text and basic graphics to be overlaid on top of the captured or previewed video. The MPEG4000-XLP supports up to 16 different software loadable fonts. The SDK includes an application to convert a bitmap into the required format.

The path specified in the ulFlags parameter to the OSD functions specify which digital video output from the video decoder they should operate on and not the input to the MPEG4 video encoder. For more details on the digital video paths see the **Hardware block diagram** (page 9).

Up to 16 rectangles can be drawn onto the OSD using one of 16 colours (12 predefined and 4 custom colours)

The font size is fixed with each glyph being 32 lines high and 16 pixel wide. This gives an available character grid of 45x18 in PAL and 45x15 in NTSC modes.

### MPG4KX\_LoadFont

```
int MPG4KX_LoadFont (nCard, szFont, nPage)  
  
int nCard; /* */  
char * szFont; /* */  
int nPage; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_LoadFont** function loads the specified font file for use by the OSD functions.

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to load the font into
<i>szFont</i>	NULL terminated string specifying the name of the font file to load
<i>nPage</i>	Specifies which font page to load the font into.

#### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

Value	Meaning
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_POINTER	The specified filename is invalid
ID_ERR_NOTFOUND	The specified file could not be open
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	The specified card does not support font uploading
ID_OK	Success.

#### Comments

## MPG4KX\_PrintOSD

**int MPG4KX\_PrintOSD (nCard, nX, nY, szString, ulFlags, bColour, bFont)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nX;            /* */  
int nY;            /* */  
char * szString;   /* */  
unsigned long ulFlags; /* */  
unsigned char bColour; /* */  
unsigned char bFont;  /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_PrintOSD** function prints the specified string to the OSD.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to print the OSD
<i>nX</i>	Specifies the horizontal location of the first character of the string in character units
<i>nY</i>	Specifies the vertical location of the string in lines
<i>szString</i>	NULL terminated string specifying the string to print to the OSD
<i>ulFlags</i>	Bit mask of the following values:
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_PREVIEW	String will show on the preview
ID_CAPTURE	String will show on the capture
ID OSD_ALPHA	Alpha blend the string
ID OSD_BLINK	Blink the string
ID OSD_ODDFIELD	Use the odd field from the font for both fields of the OSD
ID OSD_EVENFIELD	Use the even field from the font for both fields of the OSD
ID OSD_BOTHFIELDS	Use both odd and even fields from the font
<i>bColour</i>	Specifies the palette entry to use to print the string. This can be between 0 and 3 inclusive.
<i>bFont</i>	Specifies which font to use.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_POINTER	The specified string is invalid
ID_OK	Success.

### **Comments**

The font specified must have previously been loaded using **MPG4KX\_LoadFont** (page 123) or forced enabled using **MPG4KX\_ForceFont** (page 130.)

Although the MPEG4000-XLP supports up to 16 different fonts, each line on the display must use the same font.

The OSD consists of 45 characters horizontally and 18 lines in PAL and 15 lines in NTSC.

The colour of the palette entry that bColour corresponds to is set using the

**MPG4KX\_SetOSDTextColour** (page 132) function.

The field selection is on a line by line basis and so any subsequent writes to the same line will override the setting.

## **MPG4KX\_BlitOSD**

**int MPG4KX\_BlitOSD (nCard, nX, nY, bpData, nLen, ulFlags, bColour, bFont)**

```
int nCard;          /* */
int nX;            /* */
int nY;            /* */
unsigned char * bpData; /* */
int nLen;           /* */
unsigned long ulFlags; /* */
unsigned char bColour; /* */
unsigned char bFont; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_BlitOSD** function blits the specified buffer to the OSD.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>										
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to blit the OSD										
<i>nX</i>	Specifies the horizontal location of the first character of the string in character units										
<i>nY</i>	Specifies the vertical location of the string in lines										
<i>bpData</i>	Pointer to the data to blit to the OSD										
<i>nLen</i>	Length, in bytes, of the data pointed to by <i>bpData</i>										
<i>ulFlags</i>	Bit mask of the following values:										
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<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>										
ID_PREVIEW	String will show on the preview										
ID_CAPTURE	String will show on the capture										
ID_OSD_ALPHA	Alpha blend the string										
ID_OSD_BLINK	Blink the string										
<i>bColour</i>	Specifies the palette entry to use to print the string. This can be between 0 and 3 inclusive.										
<i>bFont</i>	Specifies which font to use.										

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_POINTER	The specified data pointer is invalid
ID_OK	Success.

### **Comments**

The font specified must have previously been loaded using **MPG4KX\_LoadFont** (page 123) or forced enabled using **MPG4KX\_ForceFont** (page 130.)

Although the MPEG4000-XLP supports up to 16 different fonts, each line on the display must use the same font.

The OSD consists of 45 characters horizontally and 18 lines in PAL and 15 lines in NTSC.

This function can be used to print basic bitmaps to the OSD. The bitmap must have been converted to a font using the supplied tool  
The colour of the palette entry that bColour corresponds to is set using the  
**MPG4KX\_SetOSDTextColour** (page 132) function.

## **MPG4K\_ClearOSD**

**int MPG4K\_ClearOSD (nCard)**

**int nCard;**                                   /\* \*/

The **MPG4KX\_ClearOSD** function clears the OSD.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to clear the OSD

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_OK	Success.

### **Comments**

## MPG4KX\_ClearOSD

```
int MPG4KX_ClearOSD (nCard, ulFlag)  
int nCard; /* */  
unsigned long ulFlags; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_ClearOSD** function clears the OSD.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to clear the OSD
<i>ulFlags</i>	Bit mask of the following values.
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_PREVIEW	Clear the OSD on the preview
ID_CAPTURE	Clear the OSD on the capture

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_POINTER	The specified filename was invalid
ID_ERR_NOTFOUND	The specified file could not be open
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	The specified card does not support font uploading
ID_OK	Success.

---

### Comments

## **MPG4KX\_ForceFont**

**int MPG4KX\_ForceFont (nCard, nPage, nEnable)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
int nPage;          /* */  
int nEnable;         /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_ForceFont** function forces the specified font page to be enabled or disabled.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the force font setting
<i>nPage</i>	Specifies which font page to force enabled or disabled
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ENABLE	Forces the font to be enabled
ID_DISABLE	Forces the font to be disabled

---

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	The specified card does not support font forcing
ID_OK	Success.

---

### **Comments**

Since uploading fonts can be time consuming, this function can be used on subsequent initialisations of the SDK to force a font to be enabled. This can significantly reduce the start up time. It is up to the application to decide whether the font must be uploaded or if it can be forced.

This function must only be used to force font pages that have previously had fonts uploaded to them.

Forcing font pages that have not been uploaded to will result in undefined behaviour.

The OSD functions will not use font pages that have not been enabled.

Uploading a font using the **MPG4KX\_LoadFont** (page 123) function automatically enables the page it uploads to.

## MPG4KX\_SetOSDCustomColour

**int MPG4KX\_SetOSDCustomColour (nCard, nColour, bR, bG, bB)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nIndex;        /* */  
unsigned char bR;  /* */  
unsigned char bG;  /* */  
unsigned char bB;  /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetOSDCustomColour** function sets the specified custom colour palette entry to the specified colour.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the custom colour
<i>nIndex</i>	Specifies which entry in the custom colour palette to set. This can be between 0 and 3 inclusive
<i>bR</i>	Red component of the desired colour. This value can be in the range 0-255
<i>bG</i>	Green component of the desired colour. This value can be in the range 0-255
<i>bB</i>	Blue component of the desired colour. This value can be in the range 0-255

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

Value	Meaning
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	The specified card does not support custom colours
ID_OK	Success.

### Comments

The custom colours set using this function can be used when drawing rectangles using the **MPG4K\_Rectangle** (page 133) function or displaying text using the **MPG4KX\_PrintOSD** (page 124) or **MPG4KX\_BlitOSD** (page 126) functions.

## MPG4KX\_SetOSDTextColour

**int MPG4KX\_SetOSDTextColour (nCard, bIndex, bColour)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
unsigned char bIndex; /* */  
unsigned char bColour; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetOSDTextColour** function sets the specified text colour palette entry to the specified colour.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the text colour
<i>bIndex</i>	Specifies which entry in the text colour palette to set. This can be between 0 and 3 inclusive
<i>bColour</i>	Specifies which colour to use. This can be one of the following value
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID OSD WHITE75	White 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
ID OSD YELLOW	Yellow 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
ID OSD CYAN	Cyan 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
ID OSD GREEN	Green 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
ID OSD MAGENTA	Magenta 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
ID OSD RED	Red 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
ID OSD BLUE	Blue 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
ID OSD BLACK	0% black
ID OSD WHITE100	100% white
ID OSD GREY50	50%grey
ID OSD GREY25	25% grey
ID OSD BLUE75	Blue 75% amplitude, 75% saturation
ID OSD CUSTOM0	Custom colour index 0
ID OSD CUSTOM1	Custom colour index 1
ID OSD CUSTOM2	Custom colour index 2
ID OSD CUSTOM3	Custom colour index 3

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	The specified card does not support modifying the text colour
ID_OK	Success.

### Comments

## MPG4K\_Rectangle

**int MPG4K\_Rectangle (nCard, lpRect, ulFlags)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
LPRECT lpRect;      /* */  
unsigned long ulFlags; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_Rectangle** function draws a rectangle on the OSD at the specified location.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to draw the rectangle
<i>lpRect</i>	Specifies the location of the corner rectangle in pixels/lines.
<i>ulFlags</i>	Specifies the flags. This is a combination of the following values
<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID OSD RECTANGLEX	Set the colour for rectangle X, where X is 0-15
ID OSD INBORDER	Draw a border around the inside of the rectangle
ID OSD OUTBORDER	Draw a border around the outside of the rectangle
ID OSD PLANE	Fill the rectangle
ID OSD ALPHA	Alpha blend the rectangle with the video
ID CAPTURE	Draw the rectangle on the capture
ID PREVIEW	Draw the rectangle on the preview

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	The specified card does not support rectangle drawing
ID_OK	Success.

### Comments

The MPEG4000XLP can display up to 16 rectangles on the OSD.

The colour of each rectangle is specified using the **MPG4K\_SetRectangleColour** (page 134) function.

The position of the top left corner must be a multiple of 2.

The width and height of the rectangle must be a multiple of 4.

## MPG4K\_SetRectangleColour

**int MPG4K\_SetRectangleColour (nCard, nColour, ulFlags)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nColour;        /* */  
unsigned long ulFlags; /* */
```

The **MPG4K\_SetRectangleColour** function sets the colour for the specified rectangle.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to draw the rectangle	
<i>nColour</i>	Specifies the colour of the rectangle. This can be one of the following values	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
	ID OSD WHITE75	White 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
	ID OSD YELLOW	Yellow 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
	ID OSD CYAN	Cyan 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
	ID OSD GREEN	Green 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
	ID OSD MAGENTA	Magenta 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
	ID OSD RED	Red 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
	ID OSD BLUE	Blue 75% amplitude, 100% saturation
	ID OSD BLACK	0% black
	ID OSD WHITE100	100% white
	ID OSD GREY50	50%grey
	ID OSD GREY25	25% grey
	ID OSD BLUE75	Blue 75% amplitude, 75% saturation
	ID OSD CUSTOM0	Custom colour index 0
	ID OSD CUSTOM1	Custom colour index 1
	ID OSD CUSTOM2	Custom colour index 2
	ID OSD CUSTOM3	Custom colour index 3
<i>ulFlags</i>	Specifies the flags. This is a combination of the following values	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
	ID OSD RECTANGLEX	Set the colour for rectangle X, where X is 0-15
	ID OSD INBORDER	Set the colour for the inner border
	ID OSD OUTBORDER	Set the colour for the outer border
	ID OSD PLANE	Set the colour for the rectangle

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified

---

ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOT_SUPPORTED	The specified card does not custom colours
ID_OK	Success.

---

### **Comments**

The border colours are the same across all rectangles.

The colour of the custom colours is set using the **MPG4KX\_SetOSDCustomColour** (page 131) function.

## Analogue Output functions

The MPEG4000-XLP has two analogue outputs, video out1 and video out2.

### MPG4KX\_EnableAnalogueOutput

```
int MPG4KX_EnableAnalogueOutput (nCard, nOutput, nEnable)  
  
int nCard;           /* */  
int nOutput;         /* */  
int nEnable;         /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_EnableAnalogueOutput** function enables or disables the specified outputs.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to enable the outputs
<i>nOutput</i>	Bit mask of the following values.
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_PREVIEW	Specifies the preview output.
ID_CAPTURE	Specifies the capture output
<i>nEnable</i>	Specifies whether to enable or disable the specified output. Can be a combination of the following
<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ENABLE	Enable the specified output
ID_DISABLE	Disable the specified output

---

#### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<i>Value</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_OK	Success.

---

#### Comments

By default the capture output corresponds to video out1 and the preview output corresponds to video out2. To change these routings, use **MPG4KX\_SetAnaloguePath**(page 137)

## **MPG4KX\_SetAnaloguePath**

**int MPG4KX\_SetAnalogueSet (nCard, nPath, nInput)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nOutput;        /* */  
int nPath;          /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetAnaloguePath** function is

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies the card to set the output type for	
<i>nOutput</i>	Specifies the output receive the digital video specified by nPath. Bit mask of the following values.	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
	ID_PREVIEW	Video out 2
	ID_CAPTURE	Video out 1
<i>nPath</i>	Specifies the video path to route to the specified analogue output	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
	ID_PREVIEW	Preview path
	ID_CAPTURE	Preview path

---

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_OK	Success.

---

### **Comments**

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## **Decoding control functions**

The MPEG4000-XLP can also act as a MPEG4 decoder.

The current version of the API supports decoding only a single channel at a time.

The decoded video is output on Video Out2 and can also be displayed on VGA using the Preview functions

Decoding is not supported under QNX.

### **MPG4KX\_StartDecode**

**int MPG4KX\_StartDecode (nCard, nChannel, szSource)**

```
int nCard;           /* */  
int nChannel;        /* */  
char *szSource;      /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_StartDecode** function starts decoding the specified source.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to start decoding
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use
<i>szSource</i>	NULL terminated string specifying the source to decode.

#### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_POINTER	The specified source was invalid
ID_ERR_NOTFOUND	The specified file could not be opened or is in an incompatible format
All other non-negative numbers	ID number of file.

#### **Comments**

Currently only AVI files are supported as sources.

Once decoding has finished the analogue output will be switched back to preview output.

Multiple AVI files can be queued for consecutive playback with no gaps between them by calling this function multiple times or by calling **MPG4KX\_QueueDecode** (page 140) function.

The name of the file currently playing can be retrieved using the **MPG4KX\_GetDecodeSource** (page 149) function.

The ID number of the file current playing can be retrieved using the **MPG4KX\_GetDecodeSourceID** (page 150) function.

References to all queue files are stored until playback of the last file finishes. This enables skipping back to previously played files. To remove a file from the queue use the **MPG4KX\_RemoveDecodeSource** function

*szSource* can be NULL if sources have previously been queue using **MPG4KX\_QueueDecode** (page 140) function.

## MPG4KX\_StopDecode

**int MPG4KX\_StopDecode (nCard, nChannel)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_StopDecode** function stops the decoding.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to stop decoding
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_OK	Success.

---

### Comments

This function will not return until the decoding has stopped

## MPG4KX\_QueueDecode

**int MPG4KX\_QueueDecode (nCard, nChannel, szSource)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
char *szSource;    /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_QueueDecode** function adds the specified source to the decode queue.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to start decoding
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use
<i>szSource</i>	NULL terminated string specifying the source to decode.

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_POINTER	The specified source was invalid
ID_ERR_NOTFOUND	The specified file could not be opened or is in an incompatible format
All other non-negative numbers	ID number of file.

### Comments

Currently only AVI files are supported as sources.

## MPG4KX\_DecoderRunning

**int MPG4KX\_DecoderRunning (nCard, nChannel)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_DecoderRunning** function returns whether the decoder is currently running.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to return the decoder status
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
0	The decoder is not running
1	The decoder is running.

---

### Comments

## MPG4KX\_GetDecodeDuration

```
_int64 MPG4KX_GetDecodeDuration (nCard, nChannel)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_GetDecodeDuration** function returns the duration of the current source in microseconds.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to get the decode duration
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
-1	The decode source is live or has no duration information
All other positive values	The duration of the source in microseconds

### Comments

Under Linux the return type is long long

## MPG4KX\_GetDecodeLocation

```
_int64 MPG4KX_GetDecodeLocation (nCard, nChannel)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_GetDecodeLocation** function returns the current decoding position of the current source in microseconds.

---

Parameter	Description
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to get the decode location
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

Value	Meaning
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
-1	The decode source is live or has no duration information
All other positive values	The current decode position of the source in microseconds

---

### Comments

Under Linux the return type is long long

## **MPG4KX\_SetDecodeFrameRate**

```
int MPG4KX_SetDecodeFrameRate (nCard, nChannel, nFrameRate)

int nCard;          /* */
int nChannel;       /* */
int nFrameRate;    /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_SetDecodeFrameRate** function sets the playback rate of the decode.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies on which card to set the decode frame rate
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use
<i>nFrameRate</i>	Specifies the frame rate to decode at. This is in the form of a integer divider of the sources input standard frame rate. Full frame rate is 65536.

---

### **Returns**

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_INVALID_FRAMERATE	The specified frame rate is invalid
ID_OK	Success

---

### **Comments**

Changing the decode frame rate can be used to slow down or speed up video playback.  
Audio and video will not be in sync unless playback is at the rate it was recorded.  
The maximum frame rate is 25fps for PAL sources and 29.97 for NTSC sources.  
The rate passed to this function will be used for all subsequent decode sessions  
Calling with a rate of 0 or 1 while decoding is ongoing will cause the rate to be set back to the source  
rate  
Calling with a rate of 1 before decoding causes the source rate to be used.

The frame rate can be calculated from the nFrameRate using

$$OutputFPS = \frac{nFrameRate * InputFPS}{65536}$$

Alternatively, the nFrameRate value can be calculated for a specified output frame rate using

$$nFrameRate = \frac{OutputFPS * 65536}{InputFPS}$$

## MPG4KX\_GetDecodeFrameRate

```
int MPG4KX_GetDecodeFrameRate (nCard, nChannel)  
  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_GetDecodeFrameRate** function returns the current playback rate of the decode.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to get the decode frame rate
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
All other positive values	The current decode playback rate

---

### Comments

## MPG4KX\_DecoderCommand

**int MPG4KX\_DecoderCommand (nCard, nChannel, ulCommand)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
int ulCommand;     /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_DecoderCommand** function sends a command to the decode engine.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to send the decode command to	
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use	
<i>ulCommand</i>	Specifies the command to send. The command is made up of two parts: command and parameter. The command is the least significant 8bits. The parameter is the remaining 24 bits.	
<hr/>		
<b>Command</b>	<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_DECODE_PLAY	none	Resume normal decode
ID_DECODE_PAUSE	none	Pause the decode
ID_DECODE_STEP	none	Single frame step
ID_DECODE_FF	rate	Fast forward
ID_DECODE_RW	rate	Rewind

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_OK	Success

---

### Comments

The commands are queued so multiple calls will queue commands.  
Fast forward and rewind both take a rate parameter. In fast forward and rewind mode, only the I-frames within the MPEG4 stream are played. The rate parameter specifies the number of I-frames to skip between played frames. A rate of 1 plays all I-frames, 2 plays every 2<sup>nd</sup> I-frame, etc. The normal rate is 0.  
Single step mode will pause the decode and increment one frame for every single step command.

## MPG4KX\_DecoderCommandEx

**int MPG4KX\_DecoderCommandEx (nCard, nChannel, Command)**

```
int nCard;          /* */  
int nChannel;      /* */  
tDecodeCommand Command; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_DecoderCommandEx** function sends a command to the decode engine.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>	
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies which card to send the decode command to	
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel. to use	
<i>Command</i>	Specifies the command to send..	
<hr/>		
<b>Command</b>	<b>Meaning</b>	<b>Parameters</b>
ID_DECODE_PLAY	Resume normal decode	None
ID_DECODE_PAUSE	Pause the decode	None
ID_DECODE_STEP	Single frame step	None
ID_DECODE_FW	Fast forward	Rate
ID_DECODE_RW	Rewind	Rate
ID_DECODE_SEEK	Seek	Location

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_OK	Success

---

### Comments

The commands are queued so multiple calls will queue commands.

For commands that take parameters, the Command.ulFlags and Command.Param elements must be filled in correctly.

#### ID\_DECODE\_FW and ID\_DECODE\_RW

The commands take a parameter to specify the rate.

A rate of 1 plays all I-frames, 2 plays every 2<sup>nd</sup> I-frame, etc. The normal rate is 0.

This can be passed using the bParam, usParam, ulParam or nParam entries in the Param element.

A negative rate reverses the direction.

#### ID\_DECODE\_STEP

Single step mode will pause the decode and increment one frame for every single step command.  
Single step can be combined with ID\_DECODE\_FW or ID\_DECODE\_RW to step to each I-frame.

#### ID\_DECODE\_SEEK

The seek will only happen within the current decoded file. Seeking past the start or end of a file will have no effect.

To seek based on the number of frames, the Command.ulFlags must have ID\_DECODE\_SEEK\_FRAME set. The parameter must be an integer and contain the number of frames to seek.

To seek based on time the Command.ulFlags must have ID\_DECODE\_SEEK\_TIME set. The parameter must be an int64 and specifies the time in microseconds to seek.

The seeking can be performed relative to the current location or as an absolute location within the file. The default is absolute. To specify relative seeking the Command.ulFlags should have ID\_DECODE\_SEEK\_RELATIVE set.

If doing relative seeking, negative parameters will seek backwards from the current location.

All seeking is done to the nearest I-frame. Backward seeks go to the nearest I-frame before the requested location. Forward seeks go to the nearest I-frame after the requested location.

## MPG4KX\_GetDecodeSource

```
char *MPG4KX_GetDecodeSource (nCard, nChannel)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_GetDecodeSource** function returns the name of the file currently being decoded.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to get the file currently being decoded
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel to use

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
NULL	No file is currently being decoded
Other values	NULL terminated string specifying the file currently being decoded

---

### Comments

## MPG4KX\_GetDecodeSourceID

```
int MPG4KX_GetDecodeSourceID (nCard, nChannel)  
  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_GetDecodeSourceID** function returns the ID number of the file currently being decoded.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to get the file currently being decoded
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel to use

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
All other non-negative numbers	ID number

---

### Comments

## MPG4KX\_RemoveDecodeSource

```
int MPG4KX_RemoveDecodeSource (nCard, nChannel, nID)  
  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */  
int nID; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_RemoveDecodeSource** function removes the specified file from the decode queue.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to remove the file from the decode queue
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel to use
<i>nID</i>	Specifies the ID of the file to remove from the queue

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOTFOUND	The specified file could not be found
ID_OK	Success

### Comments

## MPG4KX\_ClearDecodeQueue

```
int MPG4KX_ClearDecodeQueue(nCard, nChannel)  
int nCard; /* */  
int nChannel; /* */
```

The **MPG4KX\_ClearDecodeQueue** function empties the decode queue.

---

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>nCard</i>	Specifies from which card to remove the file from the decode queue
<i>nChannel</i>	Specifies the decoder channel to use

---

### Returns

The return value is one of the following values

---

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
ID_ERR_INVALID_CHANNEL	An invalid card or channel number was specified
ID_ERR_NODEVICE	No hardware was detected or the library not initialised
ID_ERR_NOTFOUND	The specified file could not be found
ID_OK	Success

---

### Comments

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