

# ArduCAM

## ArduCAM-Mini

### Multi-Camera Adapter Board User Guide

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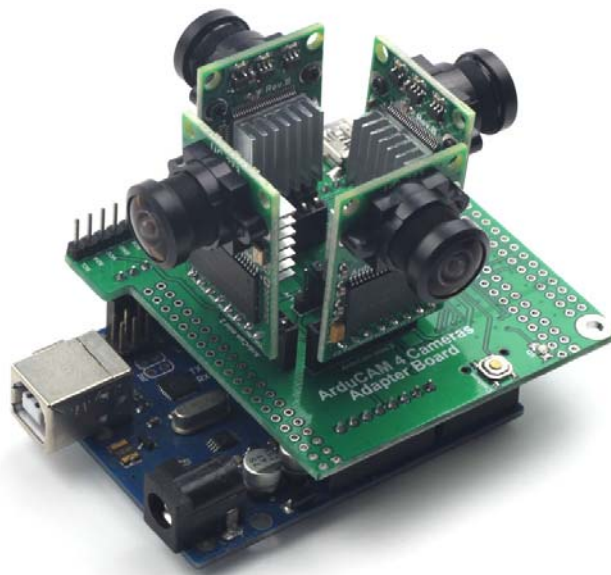


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## 1 Introduction

ArduCAM-Mini multi-camera adapter board is designed for using up to 4 ArduCAM-Mini camera boards on a single microcontroller including the Arduino, BeagleBone Black and Raspberry Pi platform. The adapter board can be well mated with these popular open source hardware platform but not limited to them, you can also connect this adapter board to any platform you are familiar with as long as they have a free I2C and SPI interface.

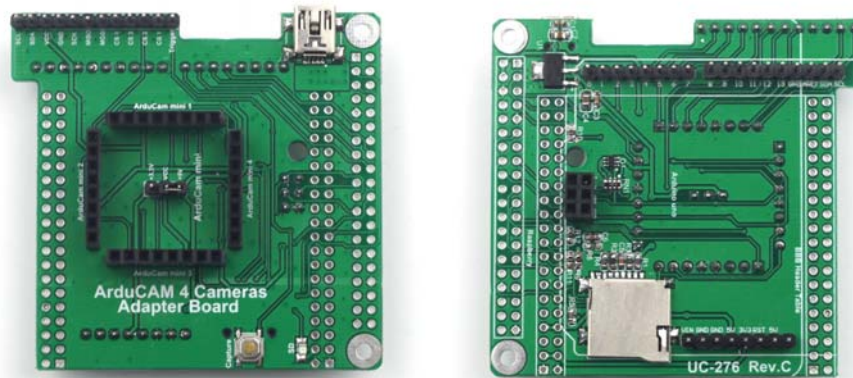


Figure 1 ArduCAM Mini Adapter Board

## 2 Application

- IoT cameras
- Robot cameras
- Panorama cameras
- Can be used in MCU, Raspberry Pi, ARM, DSP, FPGA platforms

## 3 Features

- Accommodate up to 4 ArduCAM mini boards
- Onboard SD/TF card storage (only available for Arduino)
- Additional power supply input
- Well mate with Arduino, Raspberry Pi and BeagleBone Black boards

## 4 Pin Definition

Table 1 lists the pins used for Arduino, Raspberry Pi and BeagleBone Black boards. Please note that the SD\_CS signal is only available for Arduino, because the Raspberry Pi and BeagleBone Black have their own SD card.

Table 1 ArduCAM-Mini Adapter Pin Definition

PIN NAME	TYPE	Arduino	Raspberry Pi	BeagleBone Black
Trigger	Input	D2	GPIO8	GPIO3_21 (P9 Pin25)
CS1	Input	D4	GPIO17	GPIO1_28(P9 Pin12)
CS2	Input	D5	GPIO23	GPIO1_16(P9 Pin15)
CS3	Input	D6	GPIO22	GPIO3_19(P9 Pin27)
CS4	Input	D7	GPIO24	GPIO1_17(P9 Pin23)
MOSI	Input	MOSI	GPIO10/MOSI	SPI0_D1(P9 Pin18)
MISO	Output	MISO	GPIO9/MISO	SPI0_D(P9 Pin21)
SCLK	Input	SCLK	GPIO11/SCLK	SPI0_SCLK(P9 Pin22)
GND	Ground	GND	GND	GND
VCC	POWER	+5V	+5V	VDD_5V
SDA	Bi-directional	SDA	GPIO2/SDA	I2C2_SDA(P9 Pin19)
SCL	Input	SCL	GPIO3/SCL	I2C2_SCL(P9 Pin20)
SD_CS	Input	D9	NA	NA

## 5 Work with Adapter Board

The ArduCAM-Mini power supply is selected via a jumper in the center of the adapter board. It can work with both 3.3V and 5V supply, it is default set to 5V. An alternative mini USB connector is just a AUX power supply, it should be used when lack of current condition. The LED on the adapter board is the indicator for the SD card write (only applicable for Arduino). There are ready to use source code which can be found from [github.org/arducam](https://github.com/arducam).

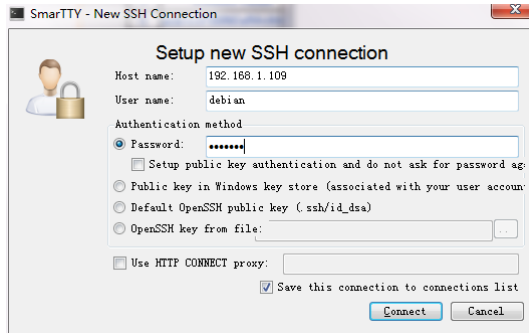
### 5.1 Arduino

User ArduCAM-Mini adapter board on Arduino is straight forward, just plugging the adapter board on top of the Arduino board, inserting the SD/TF card into the card slot, and plugging the ArduCAM-Mini board on to the adapter board. Then uploading example sketch `ArduCAM_Mini_2MP_4Cams_TimeElapse2SD_LowPower` or `ArduCAM_Mini_5MP_4Cams_TimeElapse2SD_LowPower` depending on which ArduCAM-Mini model you are using, it will detect how many cameras are in position and start capture on a defined intervals.

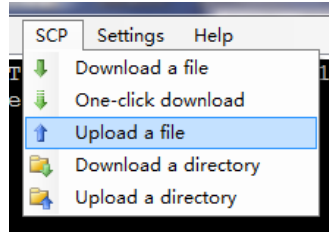
### 5.2 BeagleBone Black

It is more complicated to use ArduCAM-Mini on BeagleBone Black board, we should do some setup before we can take a photo.

Log in the BBB board with any SSH tools you are familiar with, here I use **SmArTTY** for example. The user name is **debian**, password is **temppwd**. The IP address is assigned by your DHCP, you have to check your own IP address.



Click the **SCP->Upload** a directory to upload the source code downloaded from github.

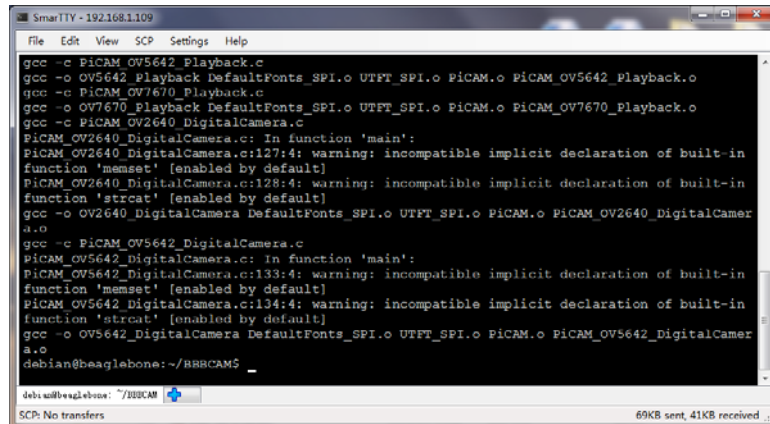


Enter the directory you just uploaded to the BBB board, here use BBBCAM for example, then use **make** command to compile the code.

```

debian@beaglebone:~$ tar -xf BBBCAM.tar.gz
debian@beaglebone:~$ ls
BBBCAM BBBCAM.tar.gz Desktop bin
debian@beaglebone:~$ cd BBBCAM
debian@beaglebone:~/BBBCAM$ make
    
```

Make sure there is no compilation error like this.



It will generate related examples like this.

```

debian@beaglebone:~/BBBCAM$ ls
DefaultFonts_SPI.c      PiCAM_OV2640_DigitalCamera.c  UTFT_SPI.c
DefaultFonts_SPI.o     PiCAM_OV2640_DigitalCamera.o  UTFT_SPI.h
Makefile                PiCAM_OV2640_Playback.c      UTFT_SPI.o
OV2640_DigitalCamera   PiCAM_OV2640_Playback.o      memroysaver.h
OV2640_Playback        PiCAM_OV3640_Playback.c      mt9d111_regs.h
OV3640_Playback        PiCAM_OV3640_Playback.o      ov2640_regs.h
OV5642_DigitalCamera   PiCAM_OV5642_DigitalCamera.c  ov3640_regs.h
OV5642_Playback        PiCAM_OV5642_DigitalCamera.o  ov5642_regs.h
OV7670_Playback        PiCAM_OV5642_Playback.c      ov7660_regs.h
PiCAM.c                PiCAM_OV5642_Playback.o      ov7670_regs.h
PiCAM.h                PiCAM_OV7670_Playback.c      ov7675_regs.h
PiCAM.o                PiCAM_OV7670_Playback.o      ov7725_regs.h
    
```

We use SPI0 hardware pins on BBB board, which is not enabled by default, so we have to enable the SPI0 from the device tree by running the command like this.

```

sudo bash -c "echo ADAFRUIT-SPI0 > /sys/devices/bone_capemgr:*/slots"
    
```

```

debian@beaglebone:~/BBBCAM$ sudo bash -c "echo ADAFRUIT-SPIO > /sys/devices/bone_capemgr.*/
slots"
debian@beaglebone:~/BBBCAM$ cat /sys/devices/bone_capemgr.*/slots
0: 54:PF---
1: 55:PF---
2: 56:PF---
3: 57:PF---
4: ff:P-O-L Bone-IT-eMMC-2G,00A0,Texas Instrument,BB-BONE-EMMC-2G
5: ff:P-O-L Bone-Black-HDMI,00A0,Texas Instrument,BB-BONE-LT-HDMI
7: ff:P-O-L Override Board Name,00A0,Override Manuf,ADAFRUIT-SPIO
    
```

If you don't want to run the command each time, you can add it to **rc.local** before the line **exit 0**, then save the file.

**sudo nano /etc/rc.local**

```

#!/bin/sh -e
#
# rc.local
#
# This script is executed at the end of each multiuser runlevel.
# Make sure that the script will "exit 0" on success or any other
# value on error.
#
# In order to enable or disable this script just change the execution
# bits.
#
# By default this script does nothing.
sudo bash -c "echo ADAFRUIT-SPIO > /sys/devices/bone_capemgr.*/slots"
exit 0
    
```

Now you can run the demos.

**sudo ./OV2640\_DigitalCamera**

```

debian@beaglebone:~/BBBCAM$ sudo ./OV2640_DigitalCamera
ArduCAM Start!
OV2640 detected
    
```

### 5.3 Raspberry Pi

Same tools as BBB board, we use SmarTTY to log in the Raspberry Pi with user name : **pi**, password: **raspberrypi** . The IP address is assigned by your DHCP, you have to check your own IP address.

Edit the **raspi-blacklist.conf** file to enable the SPI and I2C hardware on the Raspberry Pi with command

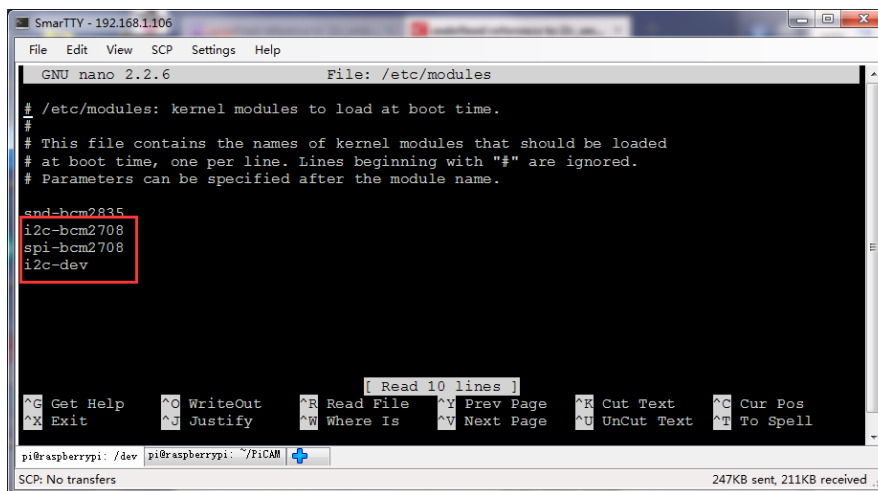
**sudo nano /etc/modprobe.d/raspi-blacklist.conf**

Add # before the blacklist spi-bcm2708 and blacklist i2c-bcm2708, then save.

```

# blacklist spi and i2c by default (many users don't need them)
#blacklist spi-bcm2708
#blacklist i2c-bcm2708
blacklist snd-soc-pcmbl2x
blacklist snd-soc-wm8904
    
```

Open file **/etc/modules** to add three lines, like follows,

**sudo nano /etc/modules**


```

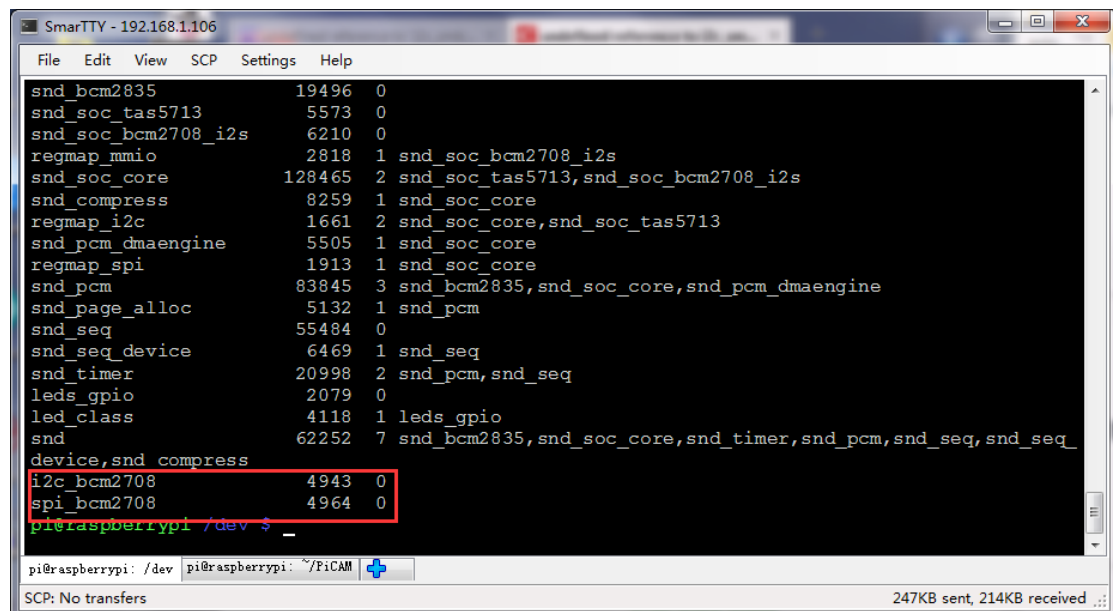
GNU nano 2.2.6 File: /etc/modules
# /etc/modules: kernel modules to load at boot time.
#
# This file contains the names of kernel modules that should be loaded
# at boot time, one per line. Lines beginning with "#" are ignored.
# Parameters can be specified after the module name.
snd-bcm2835
i2c-bcm2708
spi-bcm2708
i2c-dev

```

then reboot the Pi.

**sudo reboot**

After reboot use **lsmod** command to check if the driver is properly loaded.



```

snd_bcm2835      19496  0
snd_soc_tas5713  5573   0
snd_soc_bcm2708_i2s 6210   0
regmap_mmio     2818   1 snd_soc_bcm2708_i2s
snd_soc_core    128465 2 snd_soc_tas5713,snd_soc_bcm2708_i2s
snd_compress    8259   1 snd_soc_core
regmap_i2c      1661   2 snd_soc_core,snd_soc_tas5713
snd_pcm_dmaengine 5505   1 snd_soc_core
regmap_spi      1913   1 snd_soc_core
snd_pcm         83845  3 snd_bcm2835,snd_soc_core,snd_pcm_dmaengine
snd_page_alloc  5132   1 snd_pcm
snd_seq         55484   0
snd_seq_device  6469   1 snd_seq
snd_timer       20998  2 snd_pcm,snd_seq
leds_gpio       2079   0
led_class       4118   1 leds_gpio
snd             62252  7 snd_bcm2835,snd_soc_core,snd_timer,snd_pcm,snd_seq,snd_seq_device,snd_compress
i2c_bcm2708     4943   0
spi_bcm2708     4964   0
pi@raspberrypi /dev $

```

Before install the **wiringPi** and ArduCAM, please install the **git** first.

**sudo apt-get install git-core**

If there is error message, please try to update the Raspbian, using command below:

**sudo apt-get update****sudo apt-get upgrade**

Fetching the **wiringPi** by **git** command

**git clone git://git.drogon.net/wiringPi**

If need up to date **wiringPi**, run the following commands:

**cd wiringPi****git pull origin**

Next enter the **wiringPi** directory to compile and install the package as follows:

**cd wiringPi****./build**

```

SmarTTY - 192.168.1.106
File Edit View SCP Settings Help
pi@raspberrypi ~ $ git clone git://git.drogon.net/wiringPi
Cloning into 'wiringPi'...
remote: Counting objects: 736, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (671/671), done.
remote: Total 736 (delta 532), reused 95 (delta 58)
Receiving objects: 100% (736/736), 264.41 KiB | 7 KiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (532/532), done.
pi@raspberrypi ~ $ cd wiringPi/
pi@raspberrypi ~/wiringPi $ ./build
wiringPi Build script
=====

WiringPi Library
[UnInstall]
[Compile] wiringSerial.c
[Compile] wiringPi.c
[Compile] wiringShift.c
[Compile] piHiPri.c
[Compile] piThread.c
[Compile] wiringPiSPI.c

pi@raspberrypi: /dev pi@raspberrypi: ~/PiCAM
SCP: No transfers 247KB sent, 214KB received

```

Using the following command to check if the wiringPi is properly installed.

```

gpio -v
gpio readall

```

```

SmarTTY - 192.168.1.106
File Edit View SCP Settings Help
pi@raspberrypi ~/wiringPi $ gpio -v
gpio version: 2.25
Copyright (c) 2012-2015 Gordon Henderson
This is free software with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY.
For details type: gpio -warranty

Raspberry Pi Details:
Type: Model B, Revision: 2, Memory: 512MB, Maker: Sony
pi@raspberrypi ~/wiringPi $ gpio readall
-----Model B2-----
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| BCM | wPi | Name | Mode | V | Physical | V | Mode | Name | wPi | BCM |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 2 | 8 | 3.3v | | | 1 | 2 | | | 5v | | |
| 2 | 8 | SDA.1 | ALTO | 1 | 3 | 4 | | | 5v | | |
| 3 | 9 | SCL.1 | ALTO | 1 | 5 | 6 | | | 0v | | |
| 4 | 7 | GPIO. 7 | IN | 1 | 7 | 8 | 1 | ALTO | TxD | 15 | 14 |
| | | 0v | | | 9 | 10 | 1 | ALTO | RxD | 16 | 15 |
| 17 | 0 | GPIO. 0 | IN | 0 | 11 | 12 | 0 | IN | GPIO. 1 | 1 | 18 |
| 27 | 2 | GPIO. 2 | IN | 0 | 13 | 14 | | | 0v | | |
| 22 | 3 | GPIO. 3 | IN | 0 | 15 | 16 | 0 | IN | GPIO. 4 | 4 | 23 |
| | | 3.3v | | | 17 | 18 | 0 | IN | GPIO. 5 | 5 | 24 |
| 10 | 12 | MOSI | ALTO | 1 | 19 | 20 | | | 0v | | |
| 9 | 13 | MISO | ALTO | 1 | 21 | 22 | 1 | IN | GPIO. 6 | 6 | 25 |
| 11 | 14 | SCLK | ALTO | 0 | 23 | 24 | 1 | ALTO | CE0 | 10 | 8 |
| | | 0v | | | 25 | 26 | 1 | ALTO | CE1 | 11 | 7 |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 28 | 17 | GPIO.17 | IN | 0 | 51 | 52 | 0 | IN | GPIO.18 | 18 | 29 |
| 30 | 19 | GPIO.19 | IN | 0 | 53 | 54 | 0 | IN | GPIO.20 | 20 | 31 |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| BCM | wPi | Name | Mode | V | Physical | V | Mode | Name | wPi | BCM |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
-----Model B2-----

```

Download the ArduCAM library with github.

```

git clone https://github.com/ArduCAM/RaspberryPi.git

```

Compile the ArduCAM library

```

cd RaspberryPi/ArduCAM4Pi

```

Compile the code using **make**

```

make

```



```

SmarTTY - 192.168.1.106
File Edit View SCP Settings Help
PiCAM PiCAM.tar.gz python_games wiringPi
pi@raspberrypi ~ $ cd PiCAM/
pi@raspberrypi ~/PiCAM $ ls
DefaultFonts_SPI.c  ov5642_regs.h  PiCAM.h  PiCAM_OV7670_Playback.c
Makefile            ov7660_regs.h  PiCAM_OV2640_DigitalCamera.c  UTFT_SPI.c
memorysaver.h      ov7670_regs.h  PiCAM_OV2640_Playback.c      UTFT_SPI.h
mt9d111_regs.h     ov7675_regs.h  PiCAM_OV3640_Playback.c
ov2640_regs.h      ov7725_regs.h  PiCAM_OV5642_DigitalCamera.c
ov3640_regs.h      PiCAM.c        PiCAM_OV5642_Playback.c
pi@raspberrypi ~/PiCAM $ make
gcc -c DefaultFonts_SPI.c -lwiringPi
gcc -c UTFT_SPI.c -lwiringPi
gcc -c PiCAM.c -lwiringPi
PiCAM.c: In function 'getnowtime':
PiCAM.c:523:2: warning: incompatible implicit declaration of built-in function 'memset' [enabled by default]
PiCAM.c:526:2: warning: incompatible implicit declaration of built-in function 'strcat' [enabled by default]
gcc -c PiCAM_OV2640_Playback.c -lwiringPi
gcc -o OV2640_Playback DefaultFonts_SPI.o UTFT_SPI.o PiCAM.o PiCAM_OV2640_Playback.o -lwiringPi
pi@raspberrypi: /dev pi@raspberrypi: ~/PiCAM
SCP: No transfers 246KB sent, 202KB received

```

If report “undefined reference to `i2c\_smbus\_write\_word\_data`” error message, you have to reinstall the i2c-tools, libi2c-dev , python-smbus packages, then recompile. It will generate all the demo program marked as red square box.

```

PiCAM.o: In function `wrSensorReg16_8':
PiCAM.c:(.text+0x6dc): undefined reference to `i2c_smbus_write_word_data'
PiCAM.o: In function `rdSensorReg16_8':
PiCAM.c:(.text+0x758): undefined reference to `i2c_smbus_write_byte_data'
PiCAM.c:(.text+0x780): undefined reference to `i2c_smbus_read_byte'
collect2: ld returned 1 exit status
Makefile:6: recipe for target 'OV2640_Playback' failed
make: *** [OV2640_Playback] Error 1

```

**sudo apt-get install i2c-tools libi2c-dev python-smbus**

```

SmarTTY - 192.168.1.106
File Edit View SCP Settings Help
PiCAM OV5642_DigitalCamera.c:134:4: warning: incompatible implicit declaration of built-in function 'strcat' [enabled by default]
gcc -o OV5642_DigitalCamera DefaultFonts_SPI.o UTFT_SPI.o PiCAM.o PiCAM_OV5642_DigitalCamera.o -lwiringPi
pi@raspberrypi ~/PiCAM $ ls
DefaultFonts_SPI.c  ov5642_regs.h  PiCAM_OV2640_Playback.o
DefaultFonts_SPI.o  ov7660_regs.h  PiCAM_OV3640_Playback.c
Makefile            OV7670_Playback  PiCAM_OV3640_Playback.o
memorysaver.h      ov7670_regs.h  PiCAM_OV5642_DigitalCamera.c
mt9d111_regs.h     ov7675_regs.h  PiCAM_OV5642_DigitalCamera.o
OV2640_DigitalCamera  ov7725_regs.h  PiCAM_OV5642_Playback.c
OV2640_Playback      PiCAM.c        PiCAM_OV5642_Playback.o
ov2640_regs.h       PiCAM.h        PiCAM_OV7670_Playback.c
OV3640_Playback     PiCAM.o        PiCAM_OV7670_Playback.o
ov3640_regs.h      PiCAM_OV2640_DigitalCamera.c  UTFT_SPI.c
OV5642_DigitalCamera  PiCAM_OV2640_DigitalCamera.o  UTFT_SPI.h
OV5642_Playback      PiCAM_OV2640_Playback.c      UTFT_SPI.o
pi@raspberrypi ~/PiCAM $
pi@raspberrypi: /dev pi@raspberrypi: ~/PiCAM pi@raspberrypi:
SCP: No transfers 249KB sent, 219KB received

```

Run the demo.

**sudo ./OV2640\_DigitalCamera**