



# Unveiling the GMSL Camera Interface

Dive into the realm of Gigabit Multimedia Serial Link (GMSL), a cutting-edge serial interface developed by Maxim Integrated. Initially crafted for automotive video applications such as infotainment and Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS), the [GMSL](#) interface has transcended its roots, making waves in robotic applications and intelligent traffic systems.

## Breaking Down the GMSL Camera Interface

Explore the components of the GMSL camera interface, featuring serializer and deserializer families supporting various interfaces such as HDMI, CSI-2, DSI, asymmetric DSI, eDP, oLDI, and single, dual, and quad GMSL1/GMSL2. A single cable, extending up to 15 meters with coax or shielded twisted pair, facilitates seamless data transmission. On the transmitting end, a serializer converts data into a serial stream, while a deserializer transforms it into a parallel word for processing on the receiving side.

## Distinctive Features of GMSL Cameras

[GMSL](#) cameras shine in industrial applications requiring high data rates and extensive distance support. Their prowess lies in the instantaneous transmission of data, even in demanding industrial conditions, coupled with zero latency. Noteworthy features include virtual camera support, backward compatibility, automatic repeat request functionality, and compatibility with ARM platforms.

## Applications in Embedded Vision

*Revolutionizing Vehicle Infotainment Systems:* GMSL takes center stage in automotive infotainment systems, offering a spectrum of features such as passenger entertainment, vehicle information display, navigation, and connectivity. Particularly in setups where cameras need placement far from the host processor, GMSL outshines alternatives like MIPI or USB.

**Empowering Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS):** ADAS systems, pivotal for safer roads and enhanced driving experiences, find a reliable ally in GMSL SerDes technology. The technology's dependability and flexibility in transmitting uncompressed camera feeds align seamlessly with the critical needs of ADAS.

**Fueling Robotics:** In the realm of robotics, especially Autonomous Mobile Robots (AMR), [GMSL](#) cameras play a pivotal role in navigation, object detection, and identification. Boasting

fast frame rates and low exposure times, GMSL cameras emerge as the ideal solution for robotic applications, transmitting data up to 15 meters from the host.

**Driving Intelligent Transportation Systems:** Smart traffic systems, leveraging sensors and cameras, benefit from GMSL's prowess in transmitting captured image and video data over long distances. The 15-meter cable and multiple camera capture capabilities cater to the demands of this application.

**Optimizing Fleet Administration:** Fleet management systems, with their need for multiple cameras in large vehicles, grapple with safety concerns like blind spots. Enter the GMSL interface, offering reliable data transmission over substantial distances, a crucial factor for the implementation of surround-view systems.

### **Concluding with Vadzo GMSL Cameras**

Vadzo stands as a beacon, delivering top-notch cameras harnessing



technology. These cameras, seamlessly powered over a single coaxial cable, ensure bidirectional control data and power transmission alongside high-speed video delivery. With lower latency and higher frame rates, Vadzo's GMSL cameras operate seamlessly up to a distance of 15 meters from the host processor.