



SHINING 3D



FreeScan Trio

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User Manual

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Overview

Welcome

Symbol Conventions

Symbol	Description
	Note: This symbol is used to inform you of the additional information of the product.
	Caution: This symbol is used to inform you of incorrect operations that may damage the device or result in data loss. Any damages resulting from misuse are not covered by the warranty.
	Warning: This symbol is used to inform you of the potential risks that may result in serious personal injury and other safety incidents.

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Getting Started

To find what you need quickly, a general guide to the hardware and the software of this product is presented as follows.

About Hardware

You can learn about the hardware here, including the appearance of the scanner and its cable connection.

→ [An introduction to the device](#)

→ [How to connect the device?](#)

About Software

You can learn about the software here, including its installation, activation and so on.

→ [How to install the software?](#)

- [How to activate my device?](#)
- [How to upgrade the firmware or the software?](#)
- [Basic settings for the software](#)

After installation and activation, follow the steps below to use the scanner.

1 Calibrate the scanner

Calibration ensures the accuracy of the scanner and improves the scanning quality. Calibrate the scanner if you first use it; when the calibration is completed, it will be skipped automatically next time you open the software.

- [Preparations before calibrating](#)
- [How to calibrate my device?](#)

2 Create a project group

Create a project group before scanning.

- [How to create / open a project group?](#)
- [How to create / open / delete a project in a project group?](#)

3 Set scanning parameters

When a project group is created, you can set relevant parameters to get a better scan result.

- [How to set scanning parameters?](#)

4 Scan

After you set scanning parameters, scan the objects.

- [An introduction to the interface](#)
- [Preparations before scanning](#)
- [In the scanning interface, what scanning modes can I choose for scanning?](#)

5 Edit scanned data

You can edit the scanned data when the scanning is paused or completed to reduce noises and get accurate data.

- [How to edit scanned data?](#)
- [An introduction of shortcuts](#)
- [An introduction of the context menu](#)
- [An introduction of the cutting plane tool](#)
- [How to align scanned data?](#)

6 Save and export

You can save the scanned data for importing or exporting.

- [How can I save my data?](#)
- [How can I share my data?](#)
- [Which third-party software can I import data into?](#)

[→ Other interactions](#)

[7] Post-process and measure scanned data

You can post-process and measure the scanned data.

- [→ How to mesh my data?](#)
- [→ How to edit mesh data?](#)
- [→ How to create features for further interactions?](#)
- [→ How to align my scanned data?](#)
- [→ How to measure my scanned data?](#)

Hardware

Introduction

FreeScan Trio (hereinafter referred to as "scanner") is a handheld laser 3D scanner independently developed by SHINING 3D Tech Co., Ltd., featured in the fast scanning speed, complete data acquisition, and convenient operation. Besides, the device supports repeatable high-precision operations without discrimination on the material and color of the objects to be scanned. The scanner's built-in patented binocular photogrammetry module provides users with technical solutions that can be applied to different scanning scenarios.

Appearance

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Button



No.	Name	Description
1	Scanning Distance Indicator	To indicate the scanning distance. Red: Too close. Yellow: Relatively close. Green: Suitable distance. Greenish-blue: Relatively far. Blue: Too far.
2	Zoom Button	Adjustment of the size of data displayed in the preview window. - Press the up button: Zoom in. - Press and hold the up button: Turn on / off Local Enlarged View. - Press the down button: Zoom out. - Press and hold the down button: Turn on / off View Lock.
3	Power Indicator	- Greenish-blue: Power up and connect the USB port. - Green: Preview. - Red: Scanning. - Blue: Pause / Finish scanning.
4	Camera Brightness Button	- Press the left button: Turn down the brightness. - Press and hold the left button: Switch the Scan Mode (Scan Global Markers, Photogrammetry, Scan Mesh and Partial HD Scanning). - Press the right button: Turn up the brightness. - Press and hold the right button: Switch the Object (Normal and Reflective).
5	Middle Button	- Press: Bring up the menu / Confirm. - Press and hold: Change the number of laser lines.
6	Scanning Button	Click: Preview (optional) / Start scanning / Pause scanning. Press and hold: To do Global Optimization (Features Mode and Hybrid Mode of 98 Lines) or Global Markers Optimization .
7	USB Port	/
8	Power Supply Port	/

Laser Information

Class 2 Laser Product

Laser power: < 2 mW

Wavelength: 440-460 nm or 934-946 nm

Complies with FDA performance standards for laser products except for conformance with IEC 60825-1 Ed.3., as described in Laser Notice No.56, dated May 8, 2019.

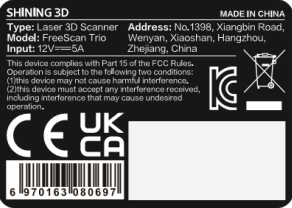
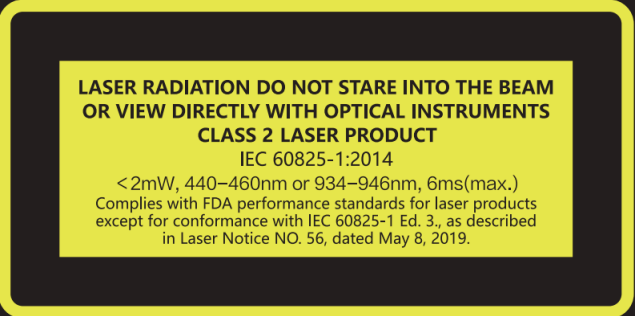
**Caution**

Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

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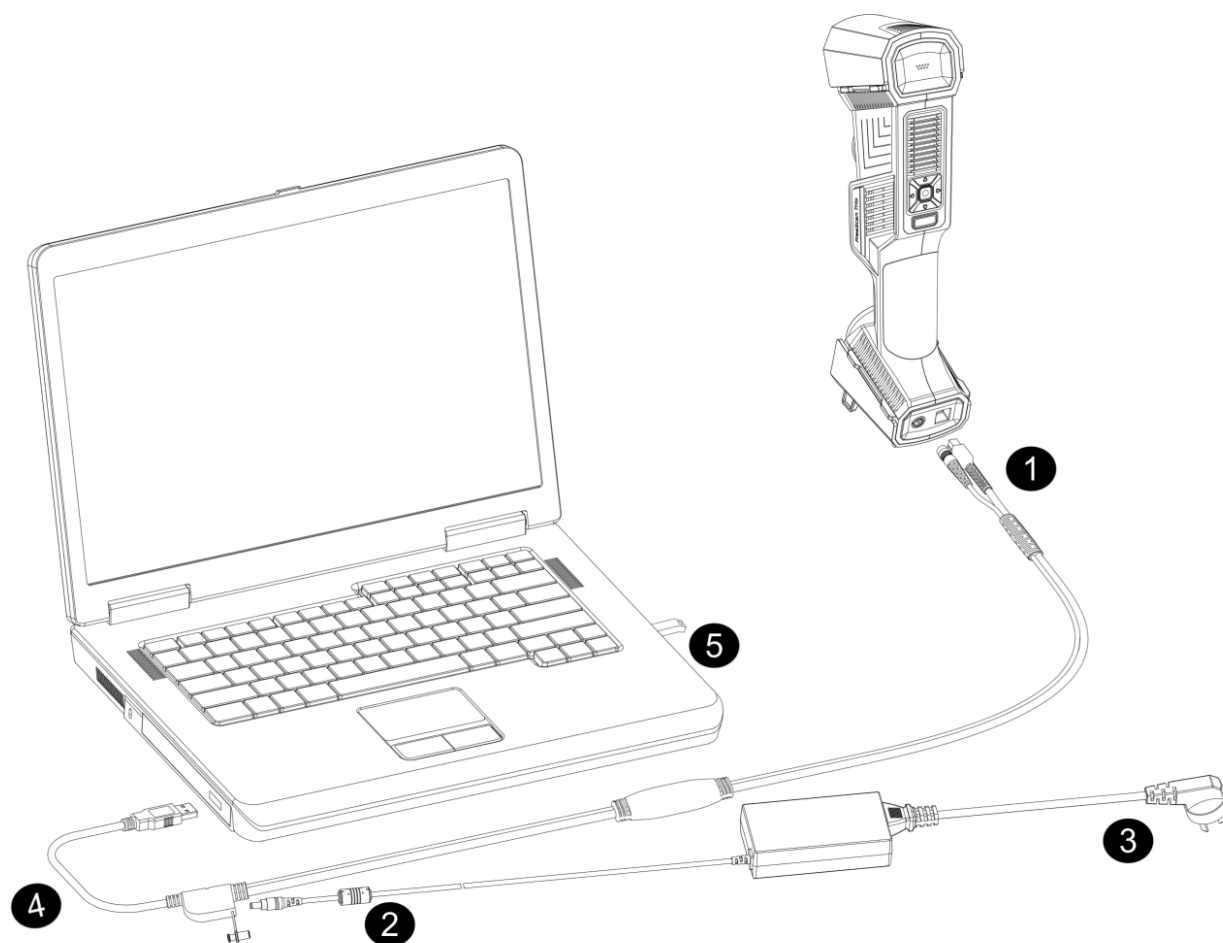


Read the content on the yellow sticker carefully before using the device.

Identification Label	Warning Label & Certification Label	Laser Label
		

Logo	Description
	LVD/EMC Directive This product complies with the European Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU and EMC Directive 2014/30/EU.
	WEEE Directive-2012/19/EU The product this manual refers to is covered by the Waste Electrical&Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive and must be disposed of in a responsible manner.
	The UKCA marking is the product marking used for products being placed on the market in Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales).

Connection



⚠ Caution

Make sure you are using the correct power adapter.

Steps

1. Connect aviation cable to the power port and the USB port on the scanner.
2. Connect power cord (3) and the power adapter.
3. Connect power adapter (2) into aviation cable (4).
4. Connect USB port on the aviation cable to the PC USB 3.0 port.
5. Insert the Dongle (5) into the PC USB port.
6. Plug in a socket to power up.



Note

- If you need to use the full functionality, please insert the dongle.
- If the dongle is not inserted, you can select **Offline Mode** after starting the software. In offline mode, only **Post-Processing** and **Measurement** are available.

Software

Installation

Please install **FreeScan Trio** to use the scanner (hereinafter referred to as the "software").

PC Configuration

Recommendation	
Processor	13th Gen Intel® Core™ i7-13700H or above
Graphics Card	NVIDIA GeForce RTX 4060 Laptop GPU or above
VRAM	8 GB or above
RAM	64 GB or above, DDR5 dual-channel
Interface	USB 3.0
Operating System	Windows 11 Professional 22H2 (64-bit)



Note

It is recommended that you use a computer with dual-channel RAM to avoid potential low frame rates during scanning, as low frame rates could impact your scanning experience. You can check your RAM information in **Task Manager > Performance**.

Software Installation

Steps

1. Insert the flash drive.
2. Copy the installation file to the PC and run it.

3. Install the software by following the installation wizard.
4. Click **Finish** and run the software.

Note

- The administrator right is required for the software installation. The initial installation environment may take a long time, please wait patiently.
- When installing the software in **C:\Program Files** or **C:\Program Files (x86)**, the administrator right is required to run the software.
- After installing the software, please follow these steps to ensure smooth operation: Go to **Windows Settings > About > Advanced system settings > Performance > Adjust for best performance**. By adjusting the system settings for optimal performance, you can ensure that the software runs smoothly.

Graphics Card

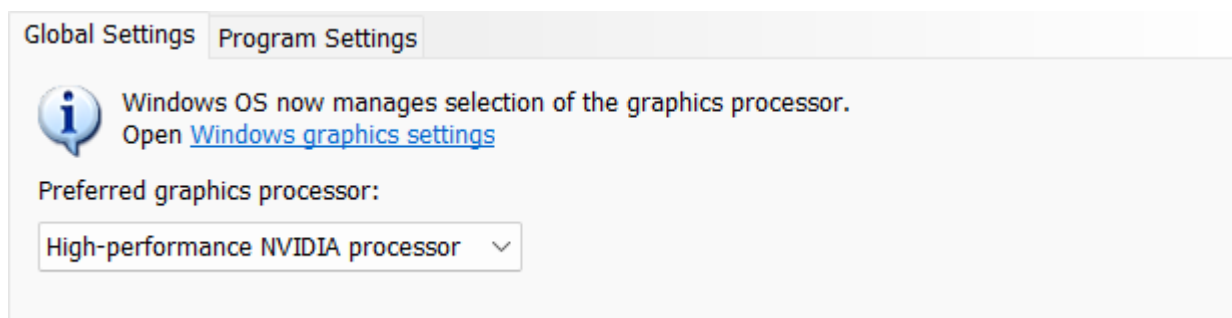
Please use a discrete graphics card instead of integrated graphics card for better performance.

Desktop

Connect your display to the port of discrete graphics card on the back of your computer.

Laptop

- Launch **NVIDIA Settings** on your laptop.
- In **3D Settings Manage 3D Settings > Global Settings**, select **High-performance NVIDIA processor** and click **Apply**.



Activation

If you are using the device for the first time, please start the software after installation and log in with your SHINING 3D user account to activate the device.

Registration

Click **Register** and fill in the account information in the registration pop-up.

Create an account

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State/region do not support modification after submission, please choose cautiously

Enter phone number or email

>>Please slide to verify

Please enter the verification codeGet Code

Please enter your name

Enter at least 6 characters password

Please enter the password again

☐ Read and agree our [《Privacy policy》](#) [《Terms of use》](#)

☒ Subscribe to Shining3D products, services and software update service.

Sign Up

Note

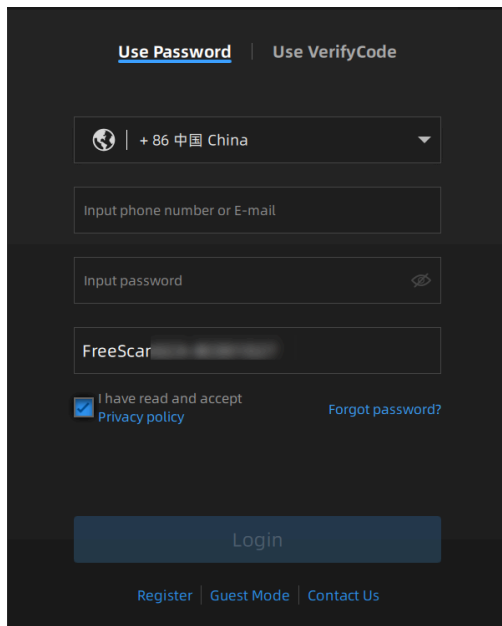
- Enter valid email or phone number to get verify code for registration.
- Fill in correct user information for better service.

Login

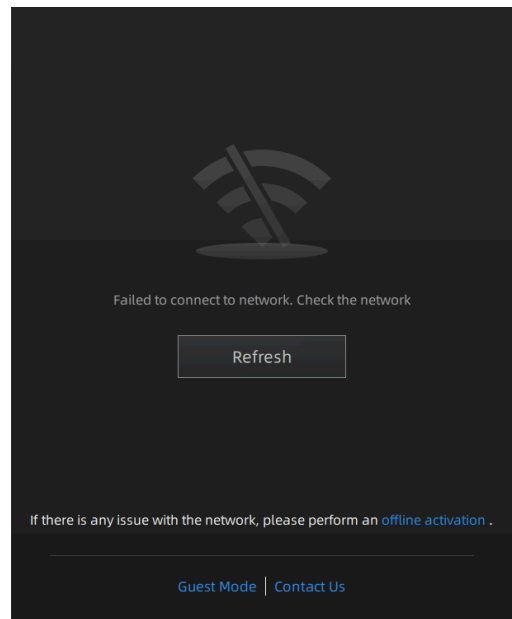
Log in SHINING 3D User Account from the pop-up window when launching FreeScan.

If your computer failed to connect to the network:

- Check the network connection and click Refresh to reconnect to the network. It will jump back to the login interface after successfully connecting to the network.
- If your computer can not connect to the network successfully, click offline activation to directly perform the offline activation.

A dark-themed login interface. At the top, there are two tabs: 'Use Password' (active) and 'Use VerifyCode'. Below the tabs is a dropdown menu showing a globe icon and '+ 86 中国 China'. Underneath is a text input field labeled 'Input phone number or E-mail'. Below that is another text input field labeled 'Input password' with an eye icon for toggling visibility. A third text input field contains the text 'FreeScar'. Below the password field, there is a checked checkbox with the text 'I have read and accept Privacy policy' and a link 'Forgot password?'. At the bottom is a large 'Login' button. At the very bottom, there are links for 'Register', 'Guest Mode', and 'Contact Us'.

Passport



Network Not Available

Device Activation

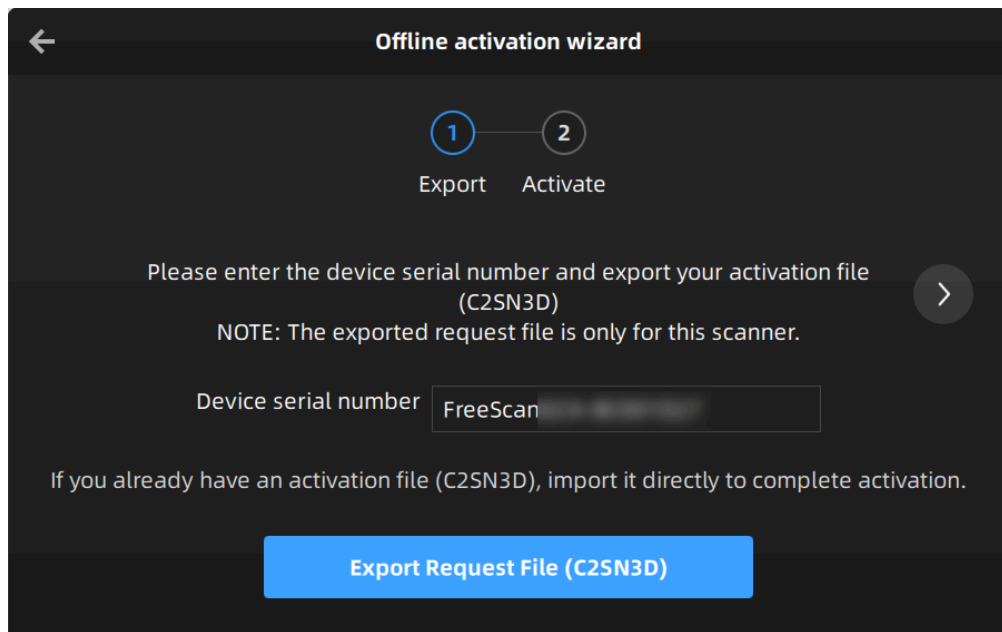
Online Activation

The activation will be completed automatically after logging in successfully on the networked computer.

Offline Activation

If the PC cannot be networked, activate the scanner offline.

1. Export C2SN3D file.
 - a. Prepare a USB flash drive or portable hard disk.
 - b. Insert the dongle to your PC.
 - c. Enter the device serial number.
 - d. Click **Export**. And save the C2SN3D file to a USB flash drive.

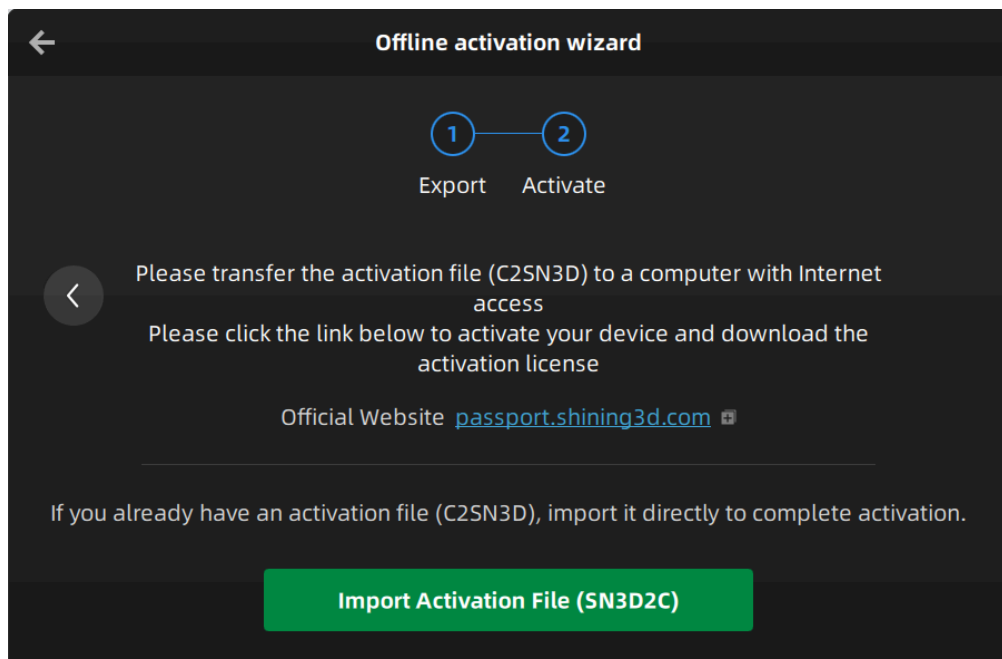


2. Upload C2SN3D file.

- a. Enter <https://passport.shining3d.com/login> on the networked computer. Then log in or register a new account.
- b. Click **Offline Activation**.
- c. Upload the C2SN3D file.

3. Export the SN3D2C file corresponding to your scanner account to your USB flash drive.

4. Import the SN3D2C file to the software. Then insert the dongle to the PC to enter the software main interface.



Note

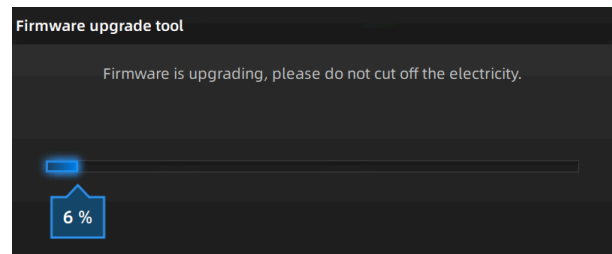
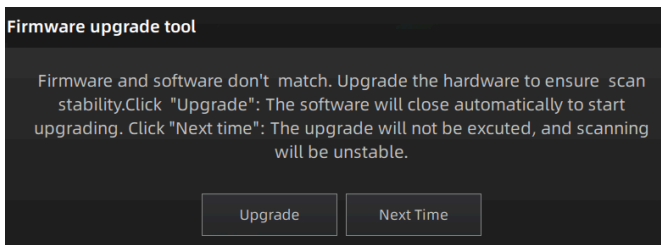
Please contact the supplier or [technical support](#) if none of the above methods can activate your device.

Upgrade

When a new version of the software is released or a higher firmware version is available, you will be prompted when launching the software.

Firmware Upgrade

Update the firmware for better performance, stability or bug fixing. Click **Upgrade** to start the firmware upgrade, as shown below.



Caution

- Make sure that the device is powered on during the upgrade; avoid interruption of the upgrade due to power cuts.
- Do not use mismatched firmware, because this may affect the scanning effect. If in doubt, please contact your supplier or technical support.
- If the upgrade fails, please power off the device and reconnect it to upgrade again.

Software Upgrade

Update the software for better performance, new functions or bug fixing.

Note

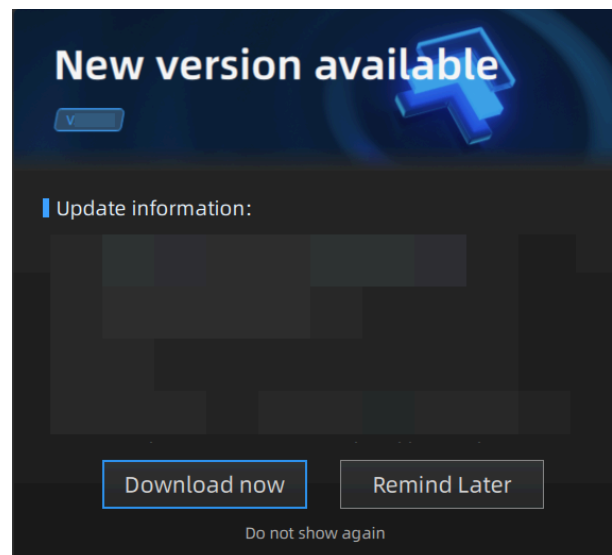
It is recommended that you use the latest software.

When the software detects a new version, it will display a pop-up after you run the software; you can also check the current software version and see if there are updates by going to **Help > About** interface.

Click **Download now** and download the installation package in the background.

When the download is completed, a window will pop up for users to decide whether the new version shall be installed immediately.

Click **Yes** to start installing.



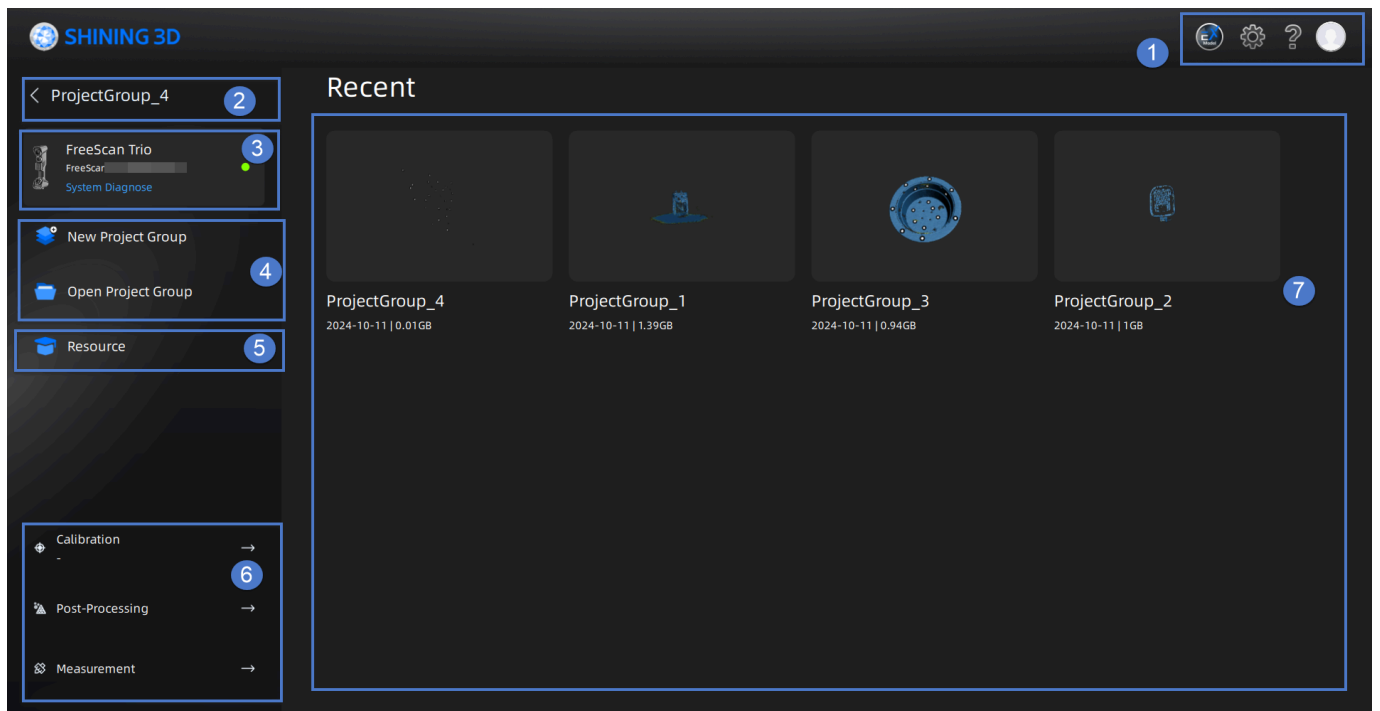
Caution

- If the software is closed during the download process of the installation package, you can choose to continue downloading the installation package in the background.
- The software will automatically close during the installation. Please make sure to save the scanned data in advance to avoid any data loss.

Running

After running the software and completing the login, you will be automatically directed to the software's home screen. You can access recent files and links to resources, create project groups as well as jump to other interface quickly.

Interface



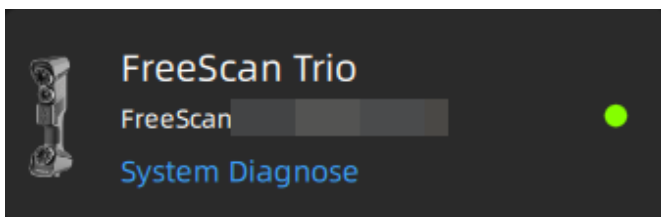
① Settings and Help

For more, see [Interface](#).

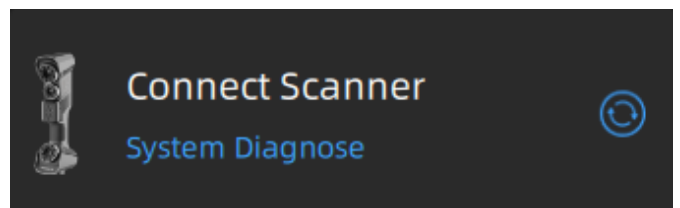
② Return to the Previous Step

Click here to quickly return to the previous step.

③ Device Information

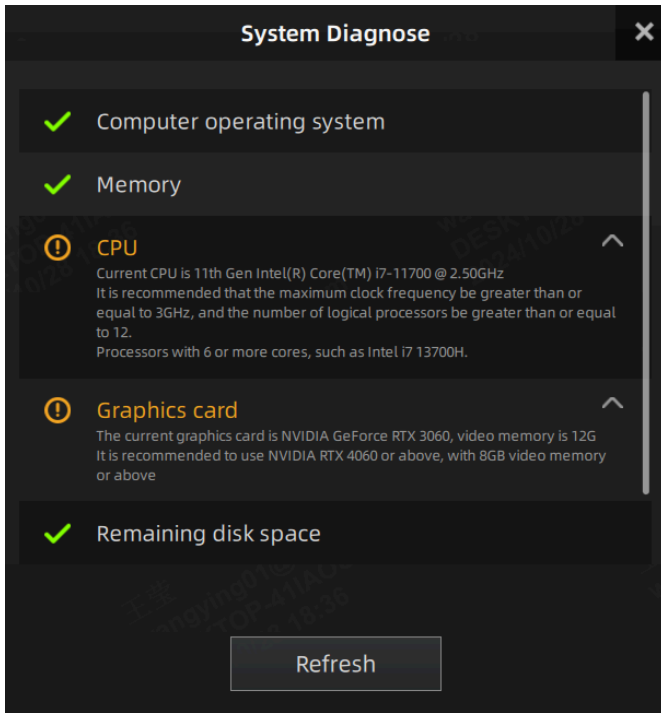


Successful Connection



Failed Connection

When the device is successfully connected, the device name and the serial number will be displayed; if the device connection fails, check the issues and click  to reconnect.



Click **System Diagnose** to quickly check whether your computer configuration meets the running requirements or not.

- If  appears, it means that the device information is being read correctly or your configuration meets the software's requirements.
- If  appears, please follow the on-screen instructions to resolve the issues.
- Click **Refresh** to diagnose again.

④ Project Group

Click here to quickly create or open a project group.

New Project Group

1. Click **New Project Group**.
2. In the prompt window, name the project group and click **Browse** to select the storage path.
3. Click **Confirm** and all scanned data will be saved to the folder with the name you just set.

Open Project Group

1. Click **Open Project Group**.
2. In the prompt window, select the project group.
3. Click **Open** to import the project group into the software.

⑤ Resource

Click here to view [instructional videos](#)[🔗], the user manual, and contact information.

⑥ Quick Links

Click here to quickly navigate to the corresponding interface for [Calibration](#) / [Post-processing](#) / [Measurement](#), where you can perform the relevant operations.

⑦ Project Group List

The recently opened or newly created project group files and their relevant information (name, operation time, and file size) will be displayed here.



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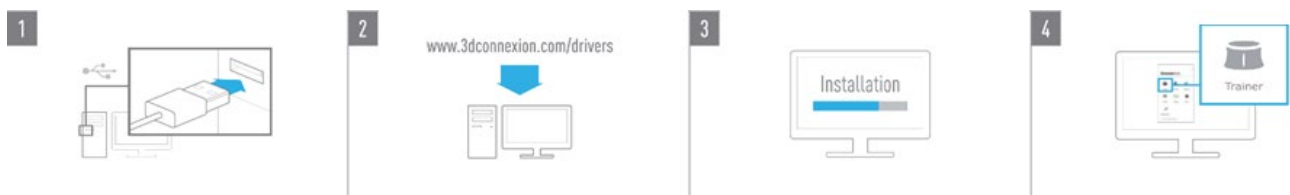
Up to 30 project group files can be shown.

3Dconnexion SpaceMouse

This software is compatible with 3Dconnexion SpaceMouse. With the 3Dconnexion SpaceMouse, you can quickly rotate, pan, zoom, and perform other shortcut operations on models in a 3D scene.

For more operations, please refer to the [3Dconnexion user manual](#) [☞].

Connection



Steps

1. Take out the 3Dconnexion SpaceMouse from its packaging and insert the connecting cable into a USB port on your computer.
2. Open the [official website](#) [☞] for downloading the software.
3. Download and install the latest version of the 3Dconnexion software.
4. Run the software and click  **Trainer** for quick training and guide.

Interface

Icon	Description
	Learn how to quickly use the 3Dconnexion SpaceMouse.
	Here you can find the manuals for all 3Dconnexion products.
	Open the settings panel to customize your 3Dconnexion devices.
	Use the 3Dconnexion Viewer to review 3D models. Supported formats: .stp, .step, .igs, .iges, .obj, .stl, .ply, .jt, .glTF.
	You can create high-resolution picture collages with SpaceMouse by 3Dconnexion Collage.
	Test and practice your skills by assembling the landing gear of an aircraft.
	Register your product after the installation to benefit from 3Dconnexion services.
	Find instructive videos for your 3Dconnexion devices.
	Provide feedback to the 3Dconnexion product team.

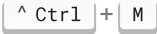
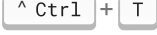
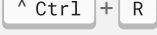
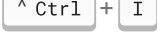
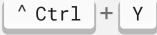
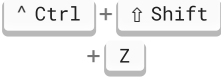
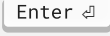
Buttons

Panel

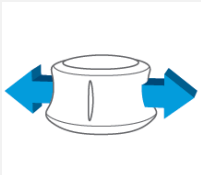


Button	Description
Color Display	It provides visual feedback on the assigned commands. You have the option to adapt the display brightness, switch between text or icons, and change the text size on the LCD in the 3Dconnexion Settings.
3Dconnexion Keys	The SpaceMouse Enterprise features twelve additional programmable function buttons. You can personalize commands assigned to the function buttons using the 3Dconnexion Settings.
CustomView Buttons	Above the QuickView Buttons, the SpaceMouse Enterprise also has 3 CustomView Buttons that allow you to store and retrieve your own views. To save a specific view, press and hold one of the CustomView Buttons until the message 3Dconnexion View saved appears on your screen. If you want to return to your saved view, just press the button once.
Control Cap	The Controller Cap is the heart of your SpaceMouse Enterprise. Its Six-Degrees-of-Freedom (6DoF) sensor allows you to push, pull, rotate, or tilt to pan, zoom and rotate your drawings and 3D models
Rotation Toggle Button	In the center between the QuickView Buttons is the Rotation Toggle Button. Pressing it once locks the rotation around all axes. The status LED will light up to indicate that rotation toggle is now active.
Keyboard Modifiers	The SpaceMouse Enterprise comes with eight Keyboard Modifiers that work like the corresponding keys on your keyboard. You can personalize the commands assigned to the Keyboard Modifiers using the 3Dconnexion Settings.
QuickView Buttons	The SpaceMouse Enterprise features five QuickView Buttons helping you to quickly bring your drawing or 3D model into the desired view. The buttons have a secondary assignment (blue font) that you can call up by a long press. You can program both the first assignment and the second assignment of the buttons in the 3Dconnexion Settings.
Menu Button	The Menu Button allows for fast and easy customization of your 3Dconnexion devices. Pressing it will take you directly to the 3Dconnexion Settings. Select the device you want to configure in the flyout window and customize it.
Fit Button	With the Fit Button, you will never lose sight of your drawing or 3D model. Press it to bring your drawing back to the center of your screen.

3Dconnexion Keys

No.	Keyboard Shortcut	Function
1		Toggle functions between mesh edit and markers edit (only works in Scan).
2		Toggle functions between select visible and select through (only works in Post-processing).
3		To toggle the method of selecting data. For more, please see Data Editing .
4		Select all
5		Unselect
6		Connected domain
7		Invert
8		Delete selected data
9		Undo
10		Redo
11		Cancel edit
12		Apply edit

Control Cap

Figure	Description
	Tilt cap left/right to rotate the model on its Z axis.
	Rotate the model on its Y axis.
	Tilt cap forwards/backwards to tumble the model on its X axis.
	Zoom the model in and out.
	Move the model up and down.
	Move the model left and right.

Calibration

Calibration Preparation

You can re-adjust parameters of the device through calibration, which not only ensures the accuracy of the device, but also the scanning quality.



Note

Calibration is required under the following conditions:

- The first time for using the device.
- The scanner was severely shaken or vibrated during transportation.
- The scanner is used for the first time or it is not in use for a long period of time (1-2 weeks).
- The accuracy drops during scanning, such as frequent alignment failures or the inability to identify markers.
- Incomplete data is acquired or the quality of scanned data drops during scanning.



Caution

- Do not wipe the calibration board with chemical liquids.
- Do not put heavy objects or sundries on the calibration board.
- After using the calibration board, put it in the flannel bag.
- The calibration board can only be used for the calibration of the device.
- Keep the calibration board away from corrosives, metals and sharp objects to avoid corrosion or damage.
- Make sure that the markers on the calibration board aren't damaged or stained, and that the front side of the calibration board is clean and free of scratches.
- The calibration board is matched to the scanner. Calibrating with an mismatched calibration board will lead to inaccuracy or fail to get good scanned data.
- After powering on the device, please heat it to a proper temperature before the calibration to ensure accuracy and precision.

Calibration

Follow the steps provided by the calibration wizard on the right side of the interface.

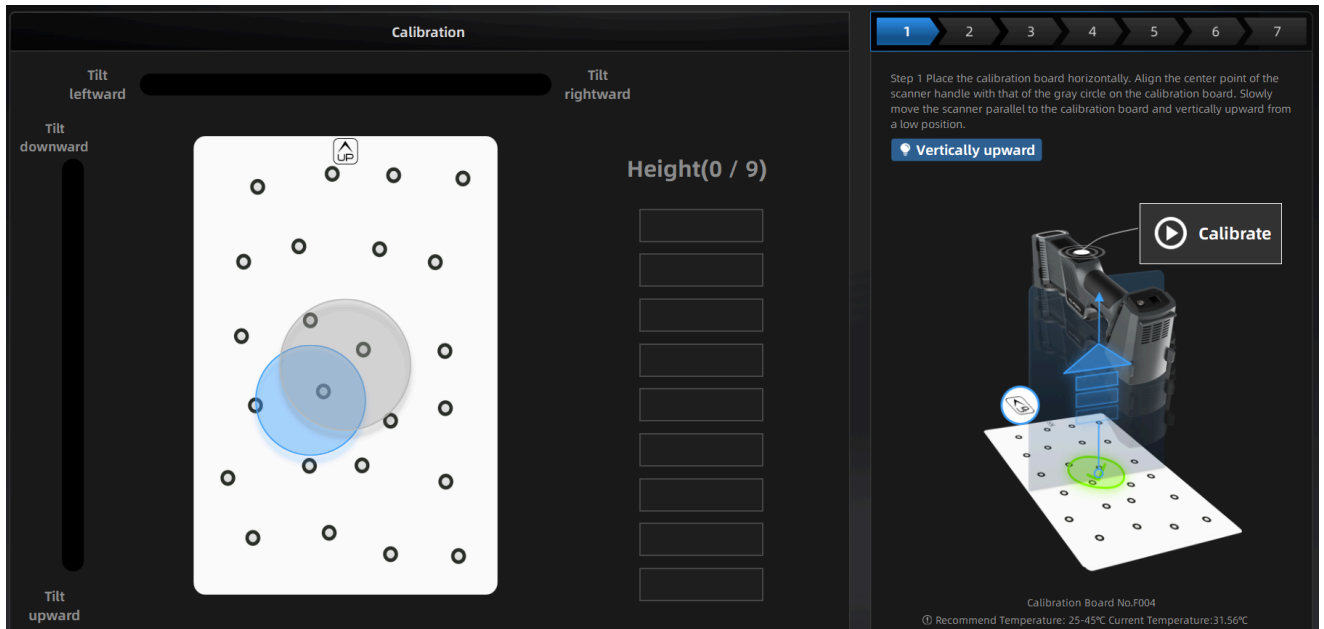


Caution

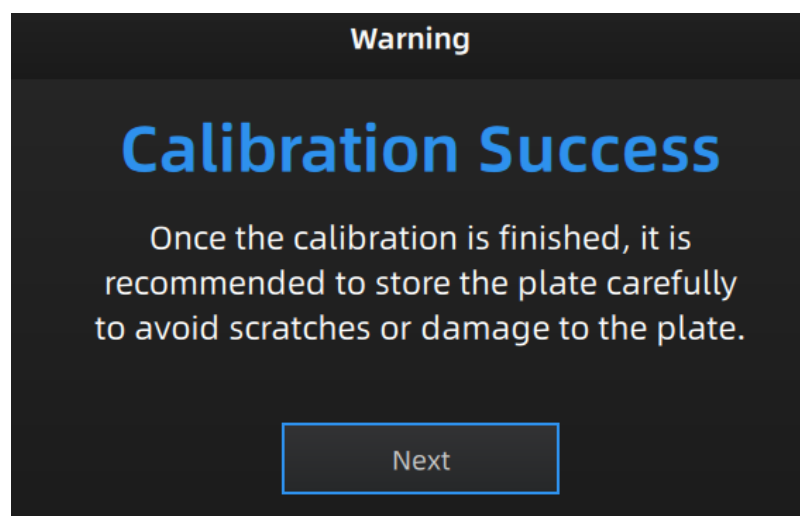
Please contact [technical support](#) if the message (**Wrong laser calibration file**) prompts.

Steps

1. Place the calibration board horizontally.
2. Place the scanner in the same direction as shown in the figure.
3. Align the center point of the device with the center point of the gray circle on the calibration board.
4. Press the start button on the scanner or click **Calibrate** on the interface to start calibration.



5. Move the device slowly and adjust the distance between the scanner and the calibration board according to the height indicating box.
6. Keep moving until all height boxes turn green.
7. Adjust the scanner position according to the prompts on the software interface. Repeat steps 4 to 5 to complete the calibration for the remaining directions.
8. Check the calibration result.

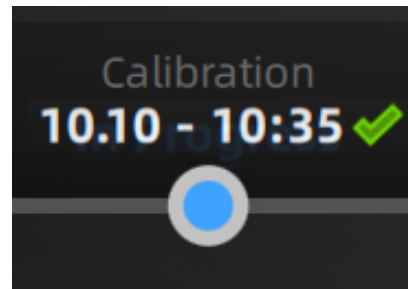




Note

- Please calibrate again if the calibration fails.
- During the calibration process, please ensure that there are not a large number of markers around the calibration board, so as not to affect the calibration accuracy.
- Please contact the supplier or [technical support](#) if the calibration still fails after several attempts.

The navigation bar at the top of the interface will display the calibration time when the calibration is completed successfully. If no further calibration is performed within 7 days after the completion of the previous calibration,  will appear. Please perform calibration again to ensure scanning accuracy.



Scan

Project and Project Group

Create or open a project group before scanning.

Project Group

Project group is the standard file structure of the software. It contains one project or more. Each project contains the data of its own. Project group is mainly used in the following scenarios:

Project Group	Scenario	Description
Only one project in the project group	One object needs to scan with only one alignment mode.	Only one alignment mode can be used in the same project.
Multiple projects in the project group	• One object needs to scan with multiple alignment modes. • Multiple objects or one large object need to scan with one or more alignment modes.	Please create multiple projects within one project group when scanning a large object or multiple objects. After scanning, you can align these projects one by one.



Create a Project Group

Two ways to create a project group:

Method One: Click **New project group** before scanning.

Method Two: Click  and select **New project group** in the scanning interface.

In the prompt window, name the project group and click **Browse** to select the storage path; then click **Confirm** and all scanned data will be saved to the folder with the name you just set.



Open a Project Group

Two ways to open a project group:

Method One: Click **Open project group** before scanning.

Method Two: Click  and select **Open project group** in the scanning interface.

In the prompt window, select the project group file and then click **Open**.

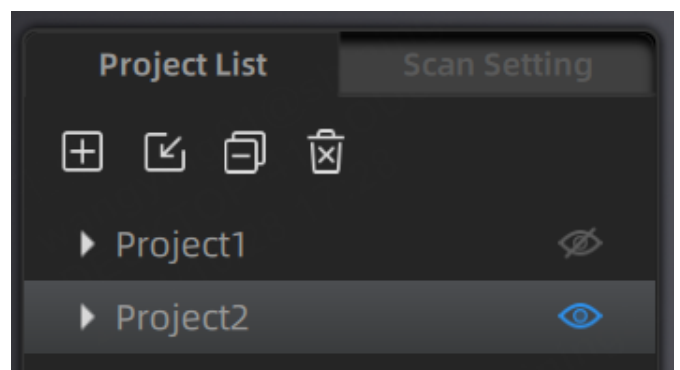


Note

- The current project group will be saved automatically when opening a project group.
- Only the project group scanned in the same scan mode can be opened.

Project Management

Each **project** is a part of the **project group**. You can use these buttons to manage projects.



Icon	Function	Description
	New Project	Click to create a new project when the scanner is connected.
	Open Project	Click to import a project. You can right-click one in the list to rename it.
	Remove Project	Click to remove the project from the list, which still exists in the folder and you can add it in the list by opening it.
	Delete Project	Click to delete the project, which can not be recovered.
	Visible / Invisible	Click to show / hide the data or markers.



Note

- If the project being deleted or removed is the last project in the list (i.e., the current project), the previous project in the list becomes the current project, and you can perform scanning operations on it.
- If a project with the same name as an existing project in the list is opened from a different path, "_1" will be appended to the name of the opened project.
- If a project is imported into the project group from a different path, deleting it will not affect the original data in the original path. Only the project data copied to the project group folder will be deleted.

Preparation

Make some preparations when scanning different objects.

Markers

Markers shall be placed to models. If the device fails to catch markers, it will not emit laser lines in the **Laser Mode**.

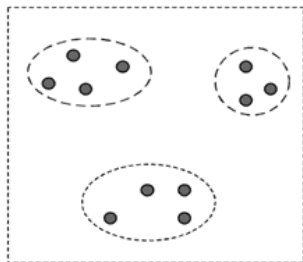
- Place the markers evenly and randomly.
- Four markers are required for the alignment at communal areas.
- Ensure that the device's camera can scan at least 4 markers within the normal scanning range.
- Please place small markers on the edges or at small facets of the model.

- Do not place the markers on the surface with high curvature.
- Do not use damaged or incomplete markers.
- Do not use greasy, dusty, or dirty markers.

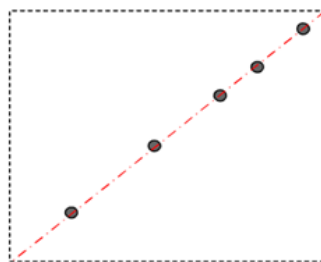


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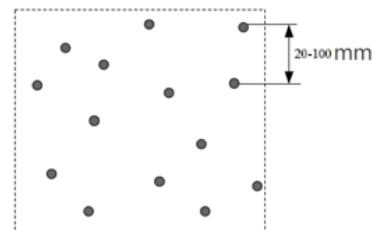
3 mm markers are the minimum markers identified in the **Laser Mode**.



Artificial grouping of markers ☒



Place markers only on one line ☒



Markers are scattered and irregularly placed ☑

For Special Objects

Spray the washable or specified imaging agent on the transparent, shiny or reflective model before scanning.



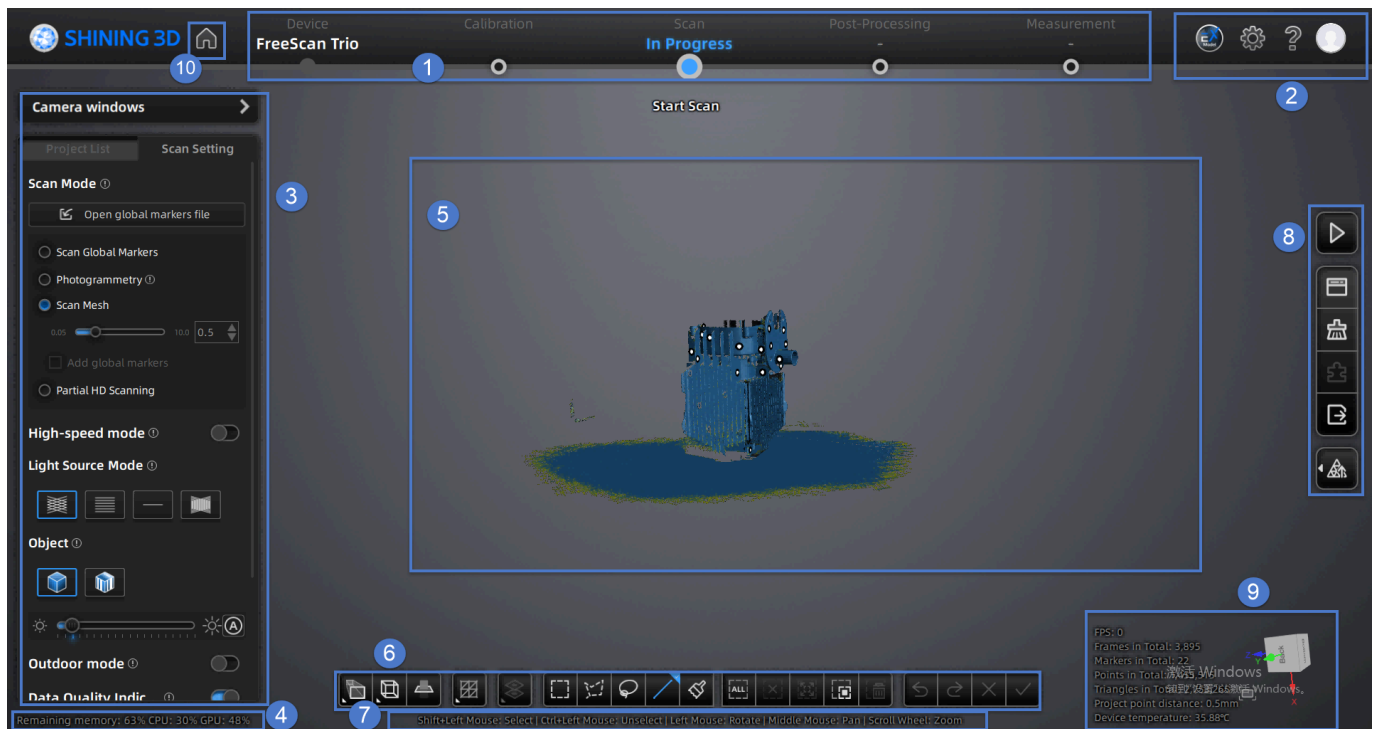
Note

Types of objects not recommended for scanning:

- Soft material object that cannot be hung.
- Moving or vibrating objects. Frequent changes in the coordinates of such objects will result in poor scanning quality.

Interface

Overview



① Navigation Bar

- Device: Display the device status: online / offline.
Device online: Show the device name.
Device offline: Click  to reconnect the device.
- Calibration: Click  on the corresponding position in the navigation bar to start **calibration**.
- Scan: Click  on the corresponding position in the navigation bar to start the **scanning**.
- Post-processing: Click  /  after scanning, it will go into the post-process interface. You can also click  on the corresponding position in the navigation bar to switch to the post-process interface.
- Measurement tools: Click  on the corresponding position in the navigation bar to switch to measure interface where you can **measure** your model here.

② Settings and Help



View the relevant information for EXModel and our technical support contact.

- If you have not installed the EXModel, click  in the top-right corner and choose the corresponding version on the pop-up window to get it.
- If you have installed the EXModel, click  to directly switch to it.
- If you have installed the EXModel and you are in the **scan (Laser Mode), post-processing or measurement interface with mesh data**, click  to switch to the EXModel and import the data into it; if there is no mesh data,

clicking this button will only switch to the EXModel.

- [Click here to download and learn how to activate EXModel.](#) 
- [Click here to learn how can I get access to EXModel.](#) 



(1) General Settings

- Select Language: Set the language displayed in the software.
- Preview: You can preview the scanning effect before the actual scanning when enabling the function.
- Advanced Mode: Enabling the function allows you to choose a smaller point distance when creating a new project. For more, see [Point Distance](#).
- Compatible with 3Dconnexion SpaceMouse: When enabled (default), it supports the connection and use of a 3Dconnexion SpaceMouse and related unique functions, including rotation axis and shortcuts.
- Scanning Templates: The software supports exporting and saving the current scan parameter settings as a template / as templates, which can be imported for scanning the same scene. The file saving format is templ_.*.

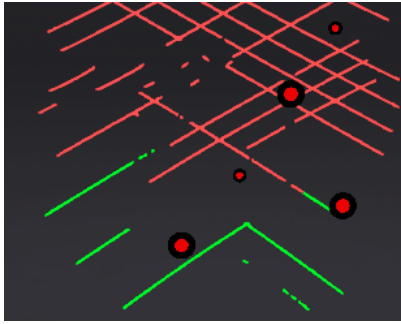


Caution

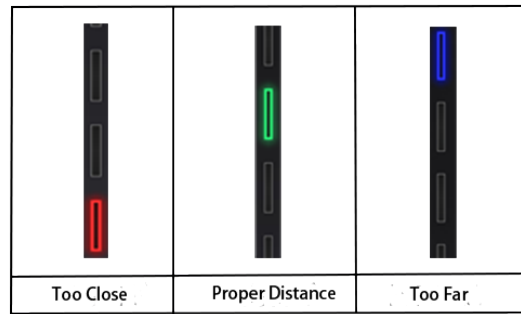
- The template file currently does not support saving the brightness parameters in the scan global markers mode and the photogrammetry mode.
- If the **Confirm** button is not clicked after setting the parameters during the meshing process, the exported template will not include the parameter settings from the meshing interface.

(2) Laser Scan Settings

- Scanning distance indication method: There are two methods to indicate the scanning distance. During scanning, you can adjust the scanning distance based on the color indication. Here is the color code for distance adjustment:
Blue: It indicates that the scanning distance is too far.
Green: It indicates that the distance is proper.
Red: It indicates that the scanning distance is too close.
By observing the color of the laser line or distance bar, you can make adjustments to ensure the scanning distance is appropriate.



Laserline Indicator



Scanning Distance Indicator

- The Laser Line Closes Intelligently: If the scanner fails to identify enough markers, it will not project the laser line during scanning when enabling the function.

(3) Third-party Software Setting: You can select the third-party software to be launched and the path. Only the selected third-party software will be displayed in the third-party software list in the post-processing and measurement interfaces.

(4) Factory Default: Click **Recover** to initialize all settings and the software will automatically restart.



(1) About: You can view device name, serial number, calibration board, software version information, etc.; After checking **Download UPdates Automatically**, when a new software version is detected, it will be automatically downloaded and prompt you to install it. Otherwise, you will need to manually download and update the software to the new version.

(2) System Diagnose: Check whether computer configuration meet the operating conditions. If it shows  , it means that the configuration meets the operation requirements. If not, please repair the problem according to the interface prompts. Click **Refresh** to diagnose again.

(3) Support: You can open the user manual, get remote assistance and check contact information of technical support here.



- Reverse Engineering Service: By sending us the scanned project files and specific information, you can get our assistance in the reverse engineering.
- Account: You can view login status, account information, and authorization period.
- Login: You can log in / log out of your account.
- My SHINING 3D Account: Click to enter the personal center.
- Official Website: Click to visit the [SHINING 3D official website](#) [🔗] for more products and information.

- Facebook: Enter SHINING 3D's Facebook to view product introduction and other operations.

③ Scanning Settings

- Camera Windows: To preview the actual scene during scanning. Parameters can be adjusted accurately through the camera window.
- Project Group: To manage projects and the project group. For more, see [Project and Project Group](#).
- Scanning Parameters: To set scanning parameters. For more, see [Settings](#).

④ Memory / CPU / GPU

- Remaining Memory: To display the percentage of remaining memory.
- CPU Usage: To display the CPU Usage of the computer in real time. You may need to close other unrelated software if it is too high.
- GPU Usage: To display the GPU Usage of the computer in real time.

⑤ Preview / Scanning Window

To preview the model and check the scanned model.

⑥ Edit Toolbar

To edit data after scanning. See more details in [Data Editing](#).

⑦ Shortcuts

To change the perspectives and move the model by the composition of keys.

⑧ Side Toolbar

For more, see [Scanning](#) and [Other Functions](#).

⑨ Other Information

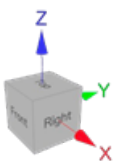
To show information about FPS, Frames in Total, Points in Total, etc.



Fit View:



Click  to center the model and adjust the view size to fit the screen automatically.



View Controller:

- When adjusting the model, a coordinate system reference is provided.

- You can quickly adjust the model view by clicking on different faces of the view controller.

⑩ Home Screen

Click  to quickly return to the home screen.

Scanning

Settings

[] Scan Mode

Choose the proper scanning mode to scan.

❖ Scan Global Markers

This mode is used to scan markers on the surface of an object. You can quickly obtain the markers data of an object in this way and switch to **Scan Mesh** to continue scanning.

⚠ Caution

- The scanner does not project laser lines during the scanning process.
- You can scan new markers after opening a global markers file.
- When switching to **Scan Global Markers**, the current scanned data will be cleaned up and the data can not be recovered.

田 Scan Mesh

Directly scan to generate mesh data. This mode is suitable for most scanning scenarios.

📋 Note

When the markers are not fully scanned in **Scan Global Markers**, you can check **Add Global Markers** to scan new global markers.

🔍 Partial HD Scanning

This mode is used for scanning when there is a high requirement for details in a specific area or when there are missing data in certain regions. By using this mode for targeted scanning, it can save scanning time and make the scanned data more accurate and complete.

🔍 Photogrammetry

This mode is generally suitable for high-precision industrial measurements. Depending on the size of the scanned object(s), you can import an appropriate scale bar file and use the scale bar(s) during scanning to improve the overall accuracy of the global markers data.

△ Point Distance

Note

- When there is only one project within the project group, you can adjust the point distance in real-time in the scan mesh mode.
- When there are multiple projects within the project group, you cannot adjust the point distance anymore in the scan mesh mode.

Scan Mode	Point Distance
Scan Mesh (26 lines, 7 lines, 1 line)	Standard: 0.05 mm ~ 10.0 mm Advanced mode: 0.01 mm ~ 10.0 mm
Scan Mesh (98 lines)	0.05 mm ~ 10.0 mm
Partial HD Scanning (26 lines, 7 lines, 1 line)	0.01 mm ~ 3.0 mm

Note

- In **Partial HD Scanning** mode, when the point distance is adjusted to ≤ 0.1 mm, the light source mode will automatically switch to **Parallel Line** mode. You can also choose other light source modes for scanning according to your needs.
- In **Partial HD Scanning** mode, when the point distance is adjusted to ≤ 0.04 mm, the light source mode will automatically switch to **Parallel Line** mode, and you won't be able to choose other light source modes for scanning.

High-speed Mode

The high-speed mode of the scanner will lose some details. Please turn off the mode when the point distance is less than 0.1 mm.

Caution

3 mm markers can not be identified in this mode.

Light Source Mode

According to the scanning requirements, you can choose different laser line modes.

Light Source Mode	Description
26 Lines	26 cross laser lines to scan large objects quickly.
5 Lines	5 parallel laser lines to scan fine details.
1 Line	A single laser line for deep holes and pocket area scanning.
98 Lines	98 cross laser lines to scan large objects quickly. - Markers Mode: Place markers on the object before scanning. This mode is used to scan objects with simple structure or repetitive features or to scan axisymmetric objects. - Features Mode: Align the scanned data automatically by the surface geometric features of the scanned object. This mode is used to scan objects with rich and asymmetric geometric features. - Hybrid Mode: A mix mode of Features Mode and Markers Mode. Place markers on the surface of the subject with few features to scan.  Caution Only one above mode can be used for the same project.

Note

- **High-speed Mode** are unavailable in **98 Lines**.
- **98 Lines** is unavailable when the point distance of the project is less than 0.2 mm.
- Global markers can not be imported or scanned in **Features Mode** and **Hybrid Mode** of **98 Lines**.
- In **Features Mode** and **Hybrid Mode** of **98 Lines**, **Partial HD Scanning** and **Photogrammetry** are unavailable.
- In **Features Mode** and **Hybrid Mode** of **98 Lines**, the light source mode and the alignment mode can not be switched after scanning .
- In **Features Mode** and **Hybrid Mode** of **98 Lines**, when the number of markers is < 3, the plane detection will be turned on automatically.

Object

It supports scanning of both normal objects and reflective objects. When scanning reflective objects, select **Reflective** to improve the scanning effect.

Outdoor Mode

To scan normally in the glare environment such as outdoors.

Caution

Please avoid direct sunlight when scanning objects.

Data Quality Indicator

Differentiating scan quality in colors: blue represents high-quality scanned data and yellow represents insufficient scanned data that requires further scanning. Insufficiently scanned data may disappear or become anomalous after editing.

Note

This function is not available for scanning in scan markers mode or photogrammetry mode.



Scan in Point Cloud

After enabling the **Scan in Point Cloud**, the point cloud data will be displayed during the scanning process, thereby reducing GPU memory consumption.

Note

- Mesh data will be displayed after pausing the scanning whether this mode is enabled or not.
- You can switch another scan mode when only global markers data is present or after all data is cleared.
- Scan modes cannot be switched during pre-scanning, the scanning process, or when data present in the scene.
- Projects within the same project group can adopt different states: Project A within the group can have this mode enabled, while Project B can have it disabled.
- This function is only supported by **Scan Mesh** mode and **Partial HD Scanning** mode.

Optimized Feature Alignment

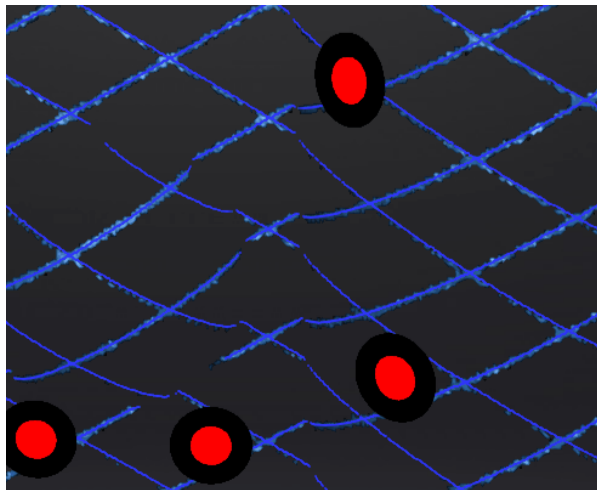
Once enabled, the data with weak geometric features will not be included in the alignment process, thereby improving alignment performance.

Note

When selecting **98 Lines (Features Mode or Hybrid Mode)**, it is recommended that you enable this function to scan objects that are predominantly non-planar.

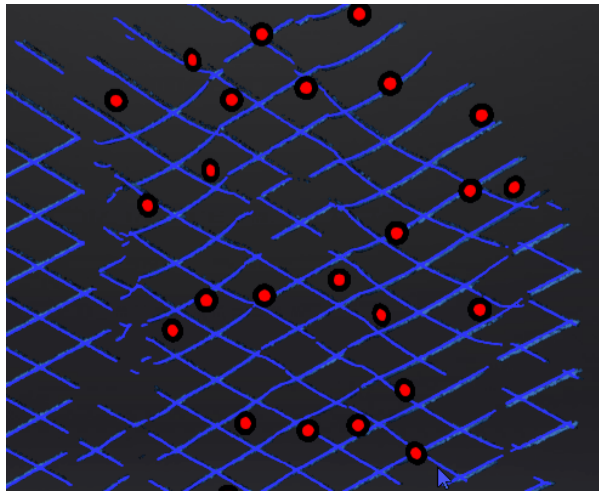
Local Enlarged View

When the function is enabled, the scanning interface only displays the local perspective of the scanned object, which can be used for supplementary scanning of small holes.



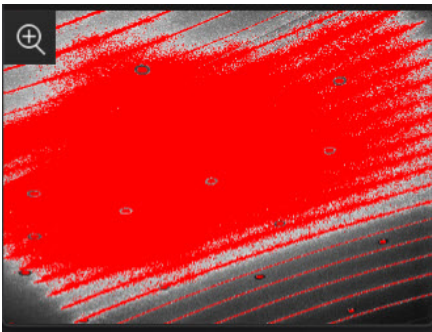
View Lock

The object view will be locked during scanning and not follow the scanning path, when the function is enabled.

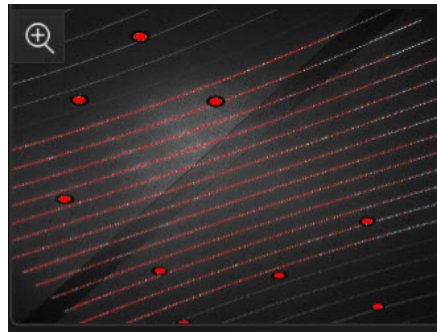


☀ Brightness

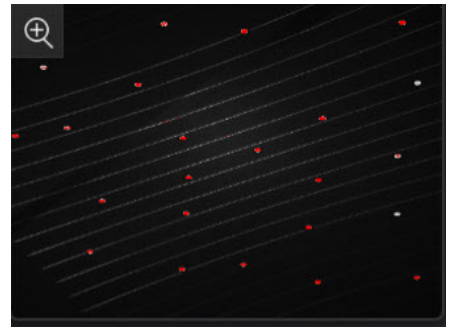
For objects of different materials and colors, adjust the brightness of the scanner to scan better.



Too Bright



Proper



Too Dark

Deep Hole Mode

When scanning deep holes, please enable it to enhance the scanning depth and the integrity of the scanned data.

⚠ Caution

Enabling this function may also result in an increase in scanned noise data.

Scanning

Preview / Start scan / Pause scan

You can switch in these 3 status with the trigger on the scanner, or click the button in the software. The normal order is: **Preview**(optional) > **Scan** > **Pause**.

Function	Icon	Instruction
Preview (optional)		Preview and adjust the scan parameters for better scanning effects. You can open/close the function in  > General Setting .
Start Scan		Click  to scan. During scanning, keep the scanner parallel to the surface, keep a proper distance from the object, and adjust the brightness depending on the ambient light or texture of the object.
Pause Scan		Edit the data or change the view angle after pausing.

Caution

- Please hold the scanner upright to start to preview / scan.
- When performing a scan, please ensure that there is sufficient VRAM (video random access memory) to prevent any scanning abnormalities or issues.
- When scanning for details or small holes, scan as close as possible to the object.

Generate Data

After completing the scanning, you can [edit the data](#), [align the data](#), or [optimize the data](#).

Data Editing

To edit the scanned data when you pause or finish scanning.

Edit Toolbar

When you pause or finish the scanning, you can use the following tools to edit the scanned data.



Icon	Function	Instruction
	Perspective View	View the data in Perspective View that the object appears larger when closer, and smaller when farther away, which is consistent with the rule of normal human eyes to observe the 3D world. You can switch to Orthogonal View by clicking it again.
	Orthogonal View	View the data in Orthogonal View that the size of the object displayed in the view is independent of the current viewpoint distance. You can switch to Perspective View by clicking it again.
	Multi View	6 different view angles to choose.
	Cutting Plane	Create a plane to do quick cut. For more, see Cutting plane .

Icon	Function	Instruction
	Data Editing	Edit the selected data. Click  again will toggle the editing mode.
	Edit Markers	Select the data area and the markers in this area will be shown in red. The red markers can be edited at this time.

Icon	Function	Description
	Select Visible	To select data on the front view only.
	Select Through	The surface data and the interior data can be selected at the same time.

Icon	Function	Instruction
	Rectangular	Select / Deselect a rectangular area. The selected area is displayed in red.
	Polygon	Select / Deselect a polygon area.
	Lasso	Select / Deselect the area bu using the Lasso tool.
	Straight Line	Hold down ⇧ Shift + Left Button and move the cursor to draw a straight line to select the area.
	Brush	Hold down ⇧ Shift + Left Button and a red circle will appear. At this time, roll the mouse wheel will zoom in and out of the circle. Move the red circle to select the area to be edited.
	Select All	Select all the data.
	Unselect	Cancel all selected areas.
	Connected Domain	Click the button after selecting a patch of data and all connected region to the selected data will be picked.
	Invert	Revert the selection.
	Delete Selected Data	Delete selected data.

Icon	Function	Instruction
	Undo	The last deletion will be undone. You can click multiple times to undo multiple deleted data.
	Redo	Redo the previous action. You can click multiple times to redo multiple actions.
	Cancel Edit	Undo all edits, and exit the edit mode.
	Apply Edit	Click the button or space bar to apply the edit, and exit the edit mode.

 Caution

Once the edit has been applied, the original state cannot be restored, but only by reloading the file.

Shortcut

Shortcut	Function
Press and hold the <code>Left Button</code> and move the cursor	Rotate the data
Press and hold the <code>Middle Button</code> and move the cursor	Translate the data
Hold down <code>↑ Shift</code> + <code>Left Button</code>	Select the area of data
Hold down <code>^ Ctrl</code> + <code>Left Button</code>	Deselect the area of data
Scroll Wheel	Zoom in / Zoom out the data
<code>Space</code>	Apply the edit
<code>⌫ Del</code>	Delete the selected data

Context Menu

Function	Description
Select All / Invert / Unselect / Delete Selected Data	The function is the same as the function on editing bar, and can be operated by shortcut keys.
Fitting View	The data on the interface is displayed in the center according to the appropriate size.
Connected Domain / Select Through / Select Visible	For more, see Edit Toolbar .
Switching the Display Type	You can select different display types(triangles, wireframe, point cloud data as well as triangles and wireframes) and the data display mode of the 3D scene will change synchronously after switching.
Set Rotate Center	The rotation center can be set on the data by the left mouse button.
Reset Rotate Center	After reset, the center of rotation is at the data center.

Cutting Plane

Remove the base data from the whole scanned data by creating a cutting plane.

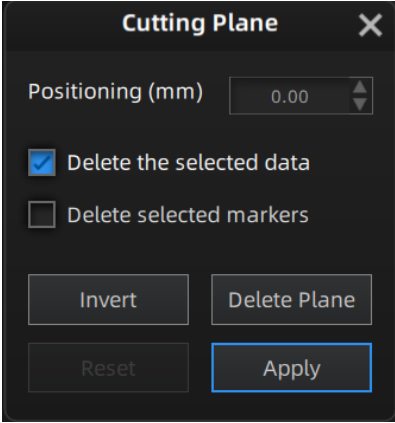
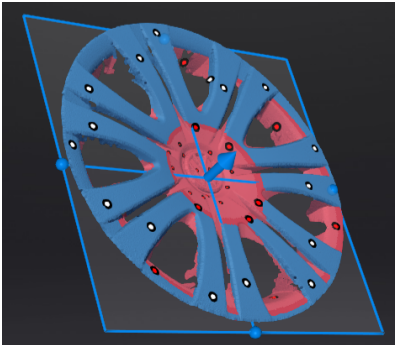
Creation

1. Click 
2. Select the creation method and follow the interface prompts to create the cutting plane.

Method	Instruction
Scan Data Fitting	Press ↑ Shift + Left Button to select data, and then click Generate Plane . The direction of the plane will be calculated by the software according to the direction of the data.
Creating Straight Line	Press ↑ Shift + Left Button to draw a line, and generate the cutting plane according to the line.
By Markers	Press ↑ Shift + Left Button to select markers. 3 markers or more are required to generate the cutting plane.

3. Click **Create Plane**.

Settings

Illustration	Instruction
 	• Delete selected data/markers: Data/Makers in the reverse direction will be shown in red after checking the box. The red data will be deleted after clicking Apply. • You can not delete all data. • Please keep at least 3 or more markers on the front of the cutting plane. • Invert: Inverse the normal direction of the cutting plane. • Delete Plane: Delete the created cutting plane. • Reset: Reset all operations after creating the cutting plane. • Apply: Apply all edits. • Positioning: After generating the plane, fill in a number in the positioning box or drag the cutting plane normal arrow  to translate the cutting plane. • Rotate the cutting plane: Cutting plane can be rotated around the axis by dragging the blue ball .

Functions

You can use the functions of the sidebar both before and after scanning.

Icon	Function	Instruction
	Project Group	To create / open a project group. For more, please refer to Project and Project Group .
	Delete Your Scan	To delete the current data to rescan.
	Align	To align the data as you need. For more, see Align .
	Export the Scan	 : To save the scanned data in the specified format (ASC, STL, P3, OBJ, PLY, 3MF) locally.  : If you have installed the EXModel and you are in the scan interface with mesh data, click  to switch to the EXModel and import the data into it.
	Mesh Optimization	To do mesh optimization and mesh processing . This function is recommended if you scan the mesh data without scanning global markers first. This process will improve the overall accuracy of the mesh data, but may take a longer time.
	Mesh Processing	To do mesh processing . This function is recommended if you scan the mesh data with scanning global markers first.

Alignment

This part introduces how you can align multiple projects in one project group.

Click  on the right side of the interface to enter the project alignment interface.

Mode	Description	Note
 Auto Feature Alignment	1. Choose Auto Feature Alignment. 2. Select the project to be aligned in the fixed window and the floated window. 3. Click Apply to align them.	Objects with repeated features, like a round or a ring, or that with small size are not suitable for this mode.
 Manual Feature Alignment	1. Choose Manual Feature Alignment. 2. Manually choose at least 3 common feature points on the data in the fixed window and the floated window respectively. 3. Click Apply to align them.	The chosen points should not be in a line.
 By Markers	1. Choose By Markers. 2. Select the project to be aligned in the fixed window and the floated window. 3. Click Apply to align them.	The two projects should have at least 3 markers in common.
 Manual Markers Alignment	1. Choose Manual Markers Alignment. 2. Select the project to be aligned in the fixed window and the floated window. 3. Manually choose at least 3 common markers on the data in the fixed window and the floated window respectively. 4. Click Apply to align them.	The chosen markers should not be in a line.

Button	Description	Button	Description
Apply	To apply the alignment.	Next	To merge the aligned projects into one group. After merging, you can continue to align the group data with other projects.
Cancel	To undo the alignment.	Exit	To exit the alignment interface.

Note

Manual alignment serves as an alternative method of auto alignment. You can choose it when auto alignment fails.

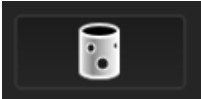
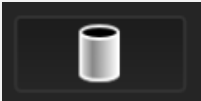
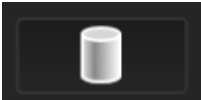
Post Processing

Mesh Optimization

The data after mesh can be directly used for rendering, measurement or printing.

Mesh Parameter

Choose different mesh types according to the reality.

Icon	Name	Description
	Unwatertight Model	For models with unclosed holes, use this mesh type to keep the original state with less meshing time.
	Semi-watertight Model	To fill the holes automatically.
	Watertight Model	To fill all holes automatically. The data can be 3D printed directly.

Note

If there are some data scanned in the **Partial HD Scanning** mode, **Semi-watertight Model** and **Watertight Model** are disabled when meshing the data.

Options

Optimization

Optimize the data and improve the clarity of the data. The higher the level, the less the small details.

- None: No optimization.
- Standard: Optimizes data slightly and preserves data characteristics.
- Med: Reduce the noise on the surface of the data.

- High: Reduce the noise on the surface of the data and make the data smoother.

Smooth

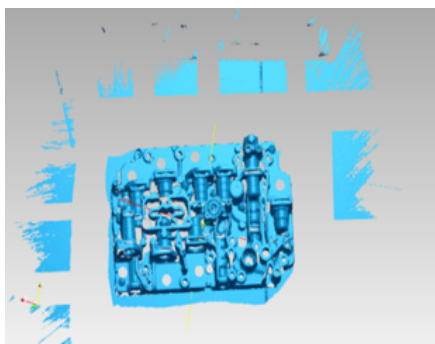
Smooth the possible noise on the surface of the data.

Caution

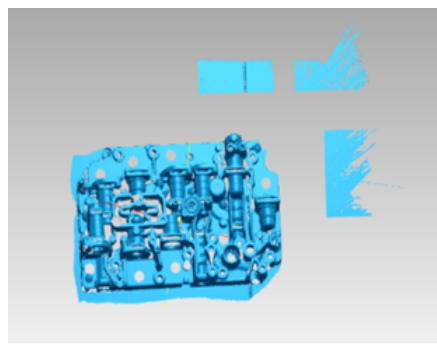
When the **Optimization** is set to **None**, the **Smooth** is not available.

Remove Small Floating Parts

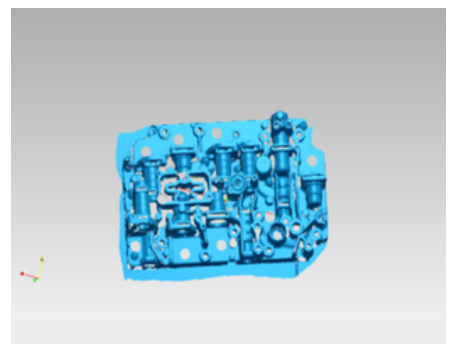
Remove small floating parts on the model.



Original data



Remove 50



Remove 100

Max Triangles

Set max plate number to get mesh model's triangle plate number is within configured plate number.

Fill Small Hole

Auto fill the small hole with a perimeter less than or equal to 10 mm (by default). You can set the hole-filling perimeter.

Remove Spike

Remove spike-like data on the image edge.

Markers Hole Filling

Fill the surface holes on an object that were not scanned due to being occluded by markers.

Recommended Parameters

When turning on, it will automatically use the recommended parameters for meshing.

Mesh Editing

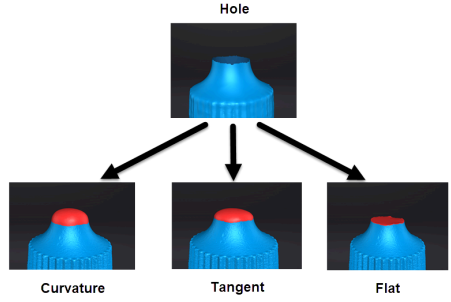
After the model data is meshed, the software automatically switches to the post-processing interface.

Alternatively, users can directly click on the navigation bar to enter the post-processing interface and import the data.

Left Panel

Click **+** to check the function.

Function	Instruction	Note
Simplification	After simplification, the polygon numbers, file size and detail of data will be reduced universally. Set the ratio from 0 to 99 and the default is 0.	The result will not be added by multiple operations on Simplification .
Mesh Optimization	It can optimize the quality of the data by adding more triangles to curvature regions. Set the ratio from 0 to 100 and the default is 0.	/
Smooth	Smooth the possible noise on the surface of the data. Set the ratio from 0 to 100 and the default is 0.	It might remove some small details or smooth some sharp edges at the same time.
Remove Small Floating Parts	Remove small floating parts which are not connected to the main data. The maximum value is the square of the diagonal length of the floating part/10, $MAX=(L/10)^2$. Set the ratio from 0 to 100 and the default is 0.	The result will not be added by multiple operations on Remove Small Floating Parts .

Function	Instruction	Note
Auto Hole Filling	Automatically fill all holes with a smaller perimeter than the number input.	Filling type: 
Manual Hole Filling	Choose the filling type and click the holes to be filled. The hole edges are shown in green and the holes get red after filling.	/
Cutting Plane Tool	Define a plane by drawing a straight line. Delete the selection and close the mesh at the intersection. Use the cutting plane to align the mesh to the CSYS.	/

Note

When performing hole filling operations, you can first delete the neighboring areas by setting it to optimize the final hole filling effect. The larger the value set for the deletion neighborhood, the more data will be deleted at the edge of the hole.

Bottom Panel



For more details, please refer to [Data Editing](#).

Right Panel

Icon	Function	Description
	Open File	To open a file (STL, OBJ, PLY) for post-processing.
	Export the Scan	 : To save the scanned data in the specified format (ASC, STL, OBJ, PLY, 3MF) locally.  : If you have installed the EXModel and you are in the post-processing or measurement interface with mesh data, click  to switch to the EXModel and import the data into it.
	Share Your Scan	To use your Sketchfab [🔗] account to share the model.
	Third-party Software	To open the third-party software .
	Model Display	After clicking  or press F12 , the model will be displayed in rotation, and the rotation speed can be adjusted by clicking  . Press F12 again or Esc to exit the model display interface. The model is only displayed in a clockwise rotation at the current viewing angle. If you need to display other angles, please exit and adjust the display angle in the post-processing interface.

Measurement

Measurement

When you complete the whole scanning, you can click  on the corresponding position in the navigation bar to switch to the measurement interface where you can perform operations such as [creating features](#), [alignment](#), and [measurements](#).

Note

- On the **Measurement** interface, you can use [multi view](#).
- On the **Measurement** interface, you can operate by [right mouse button](#) and [shortcuts](#).

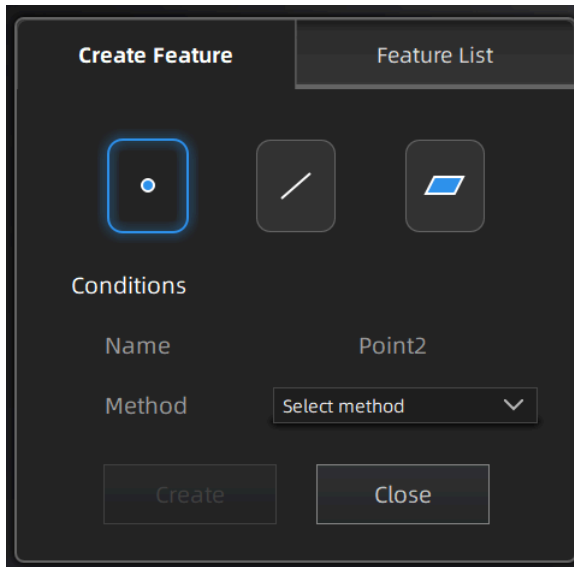
Additionally, it also supports clicking  in the right-side function bar to import models (including third-party 3D models).

Note

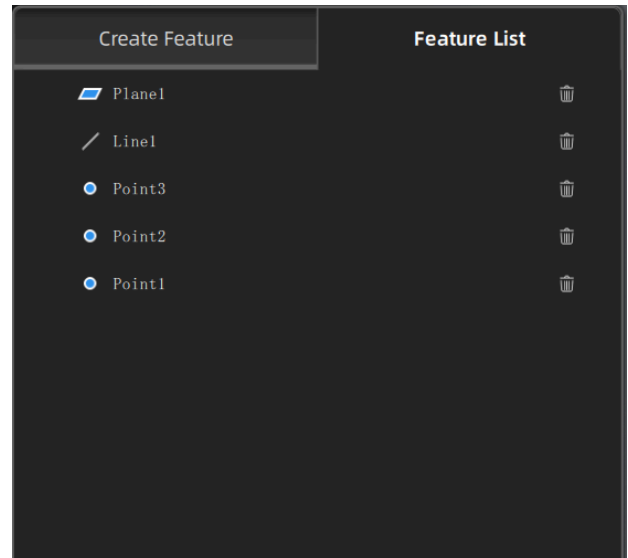
- Support opening files in the type of STL, OBJ, PLY, P3, ASC, TXT and DGM.
- Support dragging the model file into the software interface.

Create Features

Click  to display the menu of creating features. To close the menu, please click the icon again, or click **Close**.



The 'Create Feature' dialog box has two tabs: 'Create Feature' (active) and 'Feature List'. Under 'Create Feature', there are three icons: a point (selected with a blue glow), a line, and a plane. Below these is a 'Conditions' section with a 'Name' field containing 'Point2' and a 'Method' dropdown menu set to 'Select method'. At the bottom are 'Create' and 'Close' buttons.



The 'Feature List' panel shows a list of created features with delete icons to their right.

Create Feature	Feature List
	Plane1 
	Line1 
	Point3 
	Point2 
	Point1 

Note

You can switch to **Feature List** to check the created features; you can also click  to delete features.

Feature Point

Creation Method	Description	Note
Selected Points	1. Click the data to select the point. 2. Click Create to create a feature point.	/
Markers	1. Click existing markers to select the point. 2. Click Create to create a feature point.	You can select markers to create feature points for model data that only have markers and are not meshed yet.
Line-Plane Intersection	1. Click the existing feature lines or choose lines in the drop-down list. 2. Click the existing feature planes or choose planes in the drop-down list. 3. Click Create to create feature points.	• The feature line can't be in the feature plane. • The feature line can't be parallel with the feature plane.

Creation Method	Description	Note
Point-Point	1. Click the data or existing feature points to select the point. 2. Click Create to create a line.	You can tick the checkbox before From or to and re-select the feature points.
Marker to Marker	1. Click two existing markers. 2. Click Create to create a line.	• You can select this mode to create a feature line for model data that only have markers and are not meshed yet. • You can tick the checkbox before From or to and re-select the feature points.
Plane-Plane Intersection	1. Click existing feature planes or choose planes in the drop-down list. 2. After selecting two planes, click Create to create an intersection of two non-parallel planes.	• Create two feature planes in advance. • The feature planes can't be parallel to each other.

Creation Method	Description	Note
3 Points Fit	1. Click the data or existing feature points to select the point. 2. Click Create to create a plane.	• The three points can't be in a line. • You can tick the checkbox before the three points and re-select the point.
Point-Line Fit	1. Click existing feature lines or choose lines in the drop-down list. 2. Click the data or existing feature points to select the point. 3. Click Create to create a plane.	The point can't be in the line.
Best Fit	When there are selected data, click Create to create a plane that has the smallest deviation from the selected area.  Note You can use editing tools or shortcuts to select the data.	/
Three Markers	1. Click the data or existing markers to select the point. 2. Click Create to create a plane.	• You can select this mode to create a feature plane for model data that only have markers and are not meshed yet. • The three markers can't be in a line. • You can tick the checkbox before the three points and re-select the point.
Markers Point-Line Fit	1. Click existing feature lines or choose lines in the drop-down list. 2. Click the existing marker to select the point. 3. Click Create to create a plane.	• You can select this mode to create a feature plane for model data that only have markers and are not meshed yet. • The feature point can't be in the feature line.
Markers Best Fit	When there are selected markers (≥ 3), click Create to create a plane that has the smallest deviation from the selected area.  Note You can use editing tools or shortcuts to select the data.	You can select this mode to create a feature plane for model data that only have markers and are not meshed yet.

Align

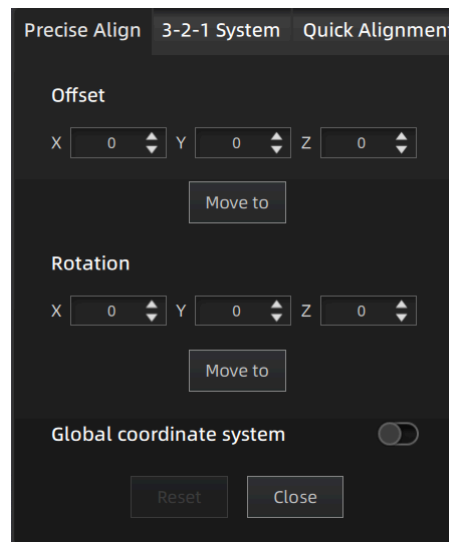
Use this mode to modify the alignment of the data to the global coordinate. This action is useful for post-processing or reverse engineering.

Caution

- The shape and accuracy of the model will not be changed by the alignment.
- After the alignment and exiting, the changes are irreversible so you can only reset the model by reloading the original file.

Click  to enter the alignment interface. Click it again to exit.

Precise Alignment



The image shows a software interface for precise alignment. It has a dark background with white text. At the top, there are three tabs: 'Precise Align' (selected), '3-2-1 System', and 'Quick Alignment'. Below the tabs, there are two sections: 'Offset' and 'Rotation'. Each section has three input fields for X, Y, and Z, each with a value of 0 and a small up/down arrow. Below the input fields in each section is a 'Move to' button. At the bottom, there is a 'Global coordinate system' toggle switch, which is currently turned off. Below the toggle are two buttons: 'Reset' and 'Close'.

Click **Move to** to align the model center with the input coordinates, and the axis direction is adjusted to match the input rotation angle.

- **Global coordinate system** (disabled by default and need to be enabled manually)
The coordinate system displayed on the interface is the global coordinate system, in which the direction of the red line is the positive direction of X-axis, green is the positive direction of Y-axis and blue is the positive direction of Z-axis.
- **Adjust coordinates by the object mover tool**
Hover the cursor on object mover tool. Once the object mover tool shines, hold Left Mouse Button or Middle Mouse Button to adjust the position and angle of model.

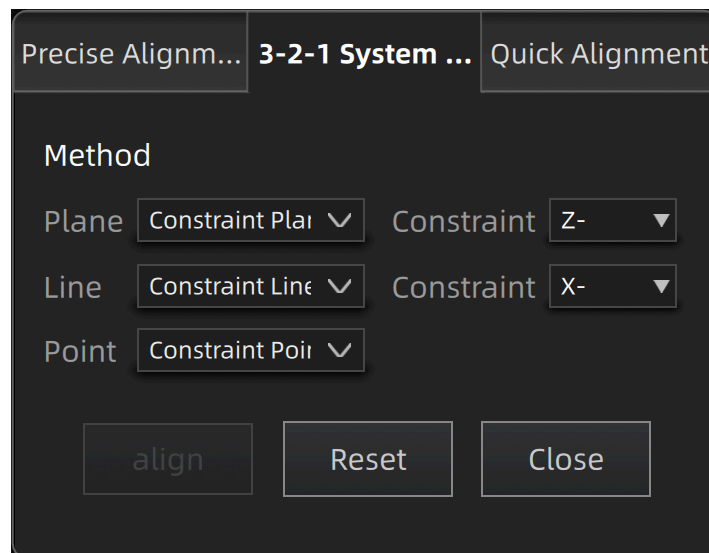
Click **Reset** to cancel all the transformation in the exact alignment interface.

Click **Close** to save the results and exit.

3-2-1 System Alignment

3-2-1 system alignment aligns data by selecting the point, line and plane. Before alignment, create feature points, lines and planes. The feature lines created are not perpendicular to the plane.

The coordinate system on the interface represents the global coordinate system: Red=X+, Green=Y+, Blue=Z+.



- Select a feature surface in the plane drop-down menu, and select an axis in the corresponding constraint drop-down menu of the plane. The arrow on the plane corner indicates the positive direction of the plane, and the selected axis direction will be consistent with the plane direction.
- Select a feature line in the drop-down menu of the line, and select an axis in the drop-down menu of the line. The arrow of the line indicates the positive direction of the line, and the direction of the selected axis will be consistent with the direction of the projection of the line on the selected plane.
- Click the drop-down menu to select a point, the position of this point is the origin of the coordinates (0, 0, 0).

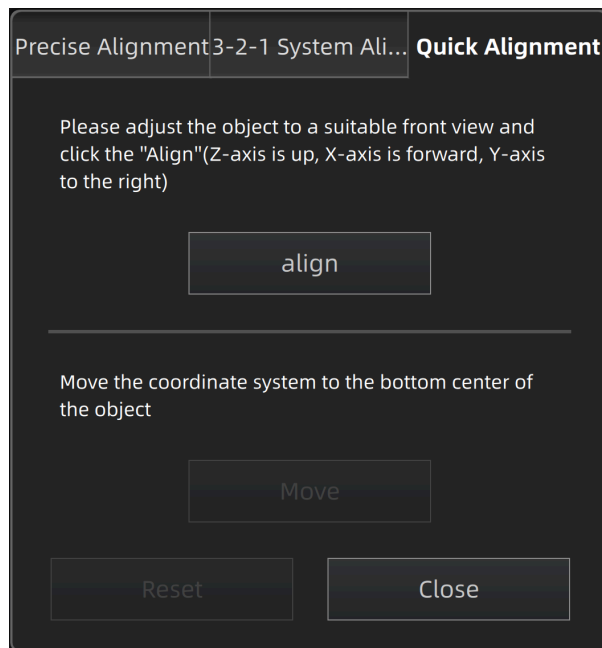
Click **Align** to start the coordinates transformation. When the lines are perpendicular to the plane, the transformation fails, so the alignment fails.

Click **Reset** to cancel all the transformation in the 3-2-1 system alignment interface.

Click **Close** to save the results and exit.

Quick Alignment

The coordinate frame is displayed on the model when the model is rotated to the expected angle.



Click **Align** to move the coordinate frame to the center of the object, and the position of the coordinate frame is that the Z axis is parallel to the screen and faces upward, the X axis is perpendicular to the screen and the Y axis is parallel to the screen and faces to the right.

Click **Move** to move the coordinate frame to the center of the bottom of the object.

Click **Reset** to restore the coordinate frame to its original state (before opening the function).

Click **Close** to apply the adjusted coordinate frame and exit.



Note

If you are not satisfied with the alignment result this time, you can re-adjust the model and perform it again.

Measurement

Click  to enter the measurement interface and the menu is displayed. Click it again to exit.

Measurement	Description	Note
Distance	Calculate the straight-line distance between two points on the surface of the model. • Total is the 3D distance. • X, Y and Z are the projection of the segment to the respective planes.	Click on the surface of the model to pick two points, the calculation will be done automatically.
Surface Area	Calculate the surface area value.	• Press + and move the cursor to select an area • Press + and move the cursor to unselect. • + to select all. • Press + to deselect all the data.
Volume	Calculate the volume of the watertight data .	It returns the volume in mm ³ and the coordinates of the bounding box. Note: Only available for watertight mesh .

Once the measurement is completed, click to export the measurement result¹ and save it to your computer.

1. By default, the exported file is in TXT format. You can also save it in CSV format. [←](#)

Save and Export

Save Data

You can save the scanned data.

Click > to select the save path and the file format, enter the file name as well.

Note

The project on the features / hybrid mode (98 lines) cannot be saved as the P3 format in the scanning interface.

Format	Data Type	Saved as	Application
ASC (whole scan)	Optimized point cloud	Scan.asc	- Data viewing and analysis. - Further data processing, registration, etc in other software.
STL	Mesh	Scan.stl	3D printing. - Reverse engineering. - Further editing, rendering, etc. in other 3D modeling or rendering software.
PLY	Mesh	Scan.ply	Further editing, rendering, etc. in other 3D modeling or rendering software.
OBJ	Mesh	Scan.obj Scan.jpg Scan.mtl	3D printing. - Data conversion and sharing in different platforms.
3MF	Mesh	Scan.3mf	3D printing. - Data conversion and sharing in different platforms. - Further editing, rendering, etc. in other 3D modeling or rendering software.
P3	Global markers	Scan.p3	Quickly importing the global markers and the cutting plane (if any) together into the scanning interface to assist with the scanning process.

Data Sharing

You can upload the mesh data to [Sketchfab](#) [↗].

Click  to upload the encapsulated data to Sketchfab, where the title, username and password are required to be provided. You can register an account on the Sketchfab to view the shared models.

 Caution

The files uploaded are in STL format.

Third-party Software

You can import scanned mesh data into a third-party software / third-party softwares.

 Note

You can select the third-party software to be launched and the path by clicking  > **Third-party Software Setting**. Only the selected third-party software will be displayed in the third-party software list in the post-processing and measurement interfaces.

Third-party Software	Use for
 Geomagic Control X	Metrology
 Geomagic Design X	Reverse Engineering
 Geomagic Essentials	Mesh Editing
 Polyworks Metrology Suite	Metrology

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