Connect a CEM40 mount to a Computer

There are 2 ways to connect a CEM40 mount to a computer: USB and Wi-Fi (via optional iStarFi).

Connect to a Windows computer is via ASCOM Platform (please refer to http://www.ascom-standards.org for detailed info.) The software/firmware needed:

- Windows XP/ Vista/ 7 /8 /8.1 /10 with .NET (dotNET) Framework 4.8 installed;
- Latest ASCOM Platform. Download and install it from http://www.ascom-standards.org;
- iOptron Commander and ASCOM Driver Installer 5.7 or later. Download and install it from iOptron CEM40 product page;
- Latest mount firmware

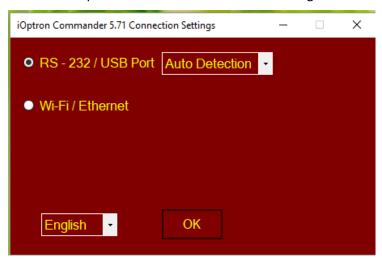
1.1. Connect via USB

Connect the CEM40 mount to a computer using a USB cable. Download FTDI USB to RS232 VCP driver from internet (https://www.ftdichip.com/Drivers/VCP.htm), if your computer does not have one installed.



Click on iOptron Commander

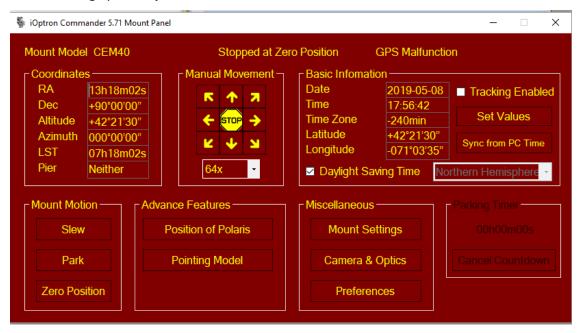
. An iOptron Commander Connection Setting window will open:



Select "RS-232/USB Port" with "Auto Detection" (or you can choose a port with the pull down button). Click OK. A device selection window will show.



Check Mount Panel to bring up the iOptron Commander Mount Panel.



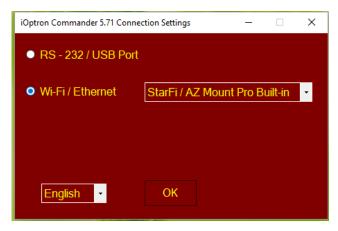
Now you can control the mount via iOptron Commander, or connect your favorite planetarium software and select "ASCOM.iOptron.Telescope" for software configuration.

1.2. Connect via Wi-Fi

The mount Wi-Fi connection is via an optional iStarFi adapter (#7434). Open the Wi-Fi connection panel on your device, Find a Wi-Fi SSID called "iStarFi_XXXXXXX" and connect it.



Click on iOptron Commander



Select "Wi-Fi/Ethernet" and choose "StarFi/AZ Mount Pro Built-in" from pull down menu. Click OK will bring up the device selection window.

For a Mac OS, it depends on if the planetarium software has the iOptron CEM drive embedded.