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ABSTRACT

Despite recent performance improvements in step motor modeling and control algorithms, open-loop control still falls significantly short of achieving maximum motor performance. Step motors, which are often used in industrial applications, can exhibit stepping resonance and skipped steps. Field oriented control can eliminate resonance anomalies and skipped steps. The maximum theoretical performance from the step motor can be derived by driving a step motor with field oriented control rather than stepping. In field oriented control, the motor input currents are adjusted to set a specific angle between the stator magnetic field and rotor magnetic field. From basic motor theory, when the stator magnetic field vector is maintained at a phase angle of 90° ahead of the rotor magnetic field, maximum torque is produced. The torque varies with the sine of this torque angle between the stator and rotor magnetic field vectors. By sensing rotor position, the phase of the rotor magnetic field can be determined and the current excitation kept 90° ahead of it. At this optimal torque angle, maximum torque is available (for given power supply voltage) under steady-state and transient operation. This approach is not widespread because electronic components historically have constrained drives to simple schemes such as stepping, and the full dynamic theory of electric machines was not worked out until the 1980's. The resulting performance advantages of field oriented control over stepping compensate for the additional circuit cost and complexity.

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CHAPTER I

DIGITAL SIGNAL PROCESSING AND STEP MOTOR

CONTROL

Electric motors are everywhere in the modern world. The worldwide market for electric motors drives will grow from \$12.5 billion in 2000 to \$19.1 billion in 2005, according to a market research study by Drives Research Corporation. Electric motors consume two-thirds of the industrial electric consumption and one fourth of the residential electric consumption.

Saving energy has become a key concern because of the continuing increase in energy usage and new government regulation. The new electric drive system must have higher efficiency and at the same time reduced electromagnetic interference. The new system must be flexible to incorporate modification with minimum time. All of these improvements must be achieved while decreasing system cost.

The DSP (digital signal processor) is now emerging as a key technology enabling the electric drive to be a smoother, more energy-efficient and most importantly cost-effective

solution. This is being exploited in a whole spectrum of applications, such as washing machines, heating and air conditioning, and electric power assist in cars.

A digital signal processor utilizes a high degree of parallelism, optimized for very fast mathematical calculations. DSPs usually incorporate specialized hardware for the efficient implementation of digital filters, matrix operations and frequency transformation. Until recently they have been used predominately in telecommunications applications which require complex filtering. The computing power of DSPs allows users to exploit software modeling to implement closed-loop motor control, creating a shift from hardware to software based systems. The increased power of DSPs can be used in several ways. The first is simply to run existing algorithms faster and improve the dynamic response of the system. The second is to use it to implement more complex closed loop sensorless control algorithms.

1.1 Analog Control Systems

Traditionally electric motor drives are designed with relatively inexpensive analog components. Analog controls offer the following advantages over digital control systems.

- (1) Fast torque and speed control is achieved as data is processed in real time.
- (2) Because of high bandwidth, they offer higher resolution over wider bandwidth.

However there are several drawbacks to analog systems.

- (1) As motor control systems age, the wear and tear on mechanical components may result in a loss of control, since the control system is tuned to the characteristics of the system when it was new. Temperature also can cause component variation. So the analog system requires regular adjustment.

- (2) In order to control parameters, analog systems require expensive sensors and more physical parts than digital systems, which reduces the reliability of the system.
- (3) Upgrades are difficult because the design is hardwired.

1.2 DSP Based Digital Control Systems

The DSP based digital control system offers the following advantages over analog systems.

- (1) The enhanced math capabilities of a DSP result in the implementation of real-time filter structures that can extract or recreate required feedback signals that would otherwise require expensive sensors to detect. This provides an immediate size and cost advantage.
- (2) It reduces acoustic noise from the motor when running at lower speed. This opens up many new applications where step motors have previously been excluded due to motor noise. Low-noise motor operation is achieved because the PWM switching pulses applied to the motor drivers are generated by the processor, and can be precisely controlled in width and frequency so that they are inaudible at standstill.
- (3) The implementation of self-tuning regulators or model reference adaptive controls on a DSP can often extend the life of the system, making it more reliable over a wider range of parameters.
- (4) The upgrades are easily made in software, so the system is more robust.

- (5) Efficient control using DSPs make it possible to reduce torque ripple and harmonics. DSP based systems improve dynamic behavior over a wider speed range. The motor design can be optimized due to lower vibrations and lower power losses such as harmonic losses in the rotor. Smooth operation with higher efficiency is achieved.
- (6) A single-chip control system is possible as the encoder interface, PWM generators, multiple synchronous A/Ds , and more, are all available on the same chip with the DSP.
- (7) Real-time generation of smooth, near optimal reference profiles and move trajectories is possible, which results in better performance.

1.3 Step Motor System

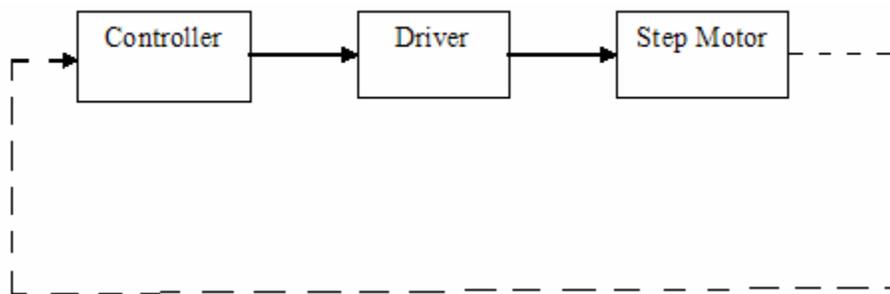


Figure 1. Step Motor System

A typical step motor system is shown in Figure 1. A step motor system consists of three basic elements: a controller, a driver, and a step motor.

1.3.1 Controller

The controller is a DSP or microprocessor which is capable of generating step pulses and direction signals for the driver. Controlling the speed or torque of a motor accurately requires the use of a closed loop control strategy which feeds back motor parameters. These parameters may include rotor position or phase current. The controller implements complex software algorithms with or without sensors. It is also capable of measuring key system parameters such as bus voltage and temperature.

1.3.2 Driver

The step motor driver receives low-level signals from the controller and converts them into pulses to run the motor. There are numerous types of drivers, with different power ratings and construction topologies. The speed-torque requirements and winding configuration determines which step motor drive is selected.

1.3.3 Step Motor

The step motor is a synchronous motor which is designed to rotate through a specific angle for each electrical pulse received from the driver unit. Step motors are low in cost because of their high volume use in industry. The step motor is a permanent magnet motor with many poles. They can produce high torque at a given motor winding current. This makes the step motor ideal for precise motion control. Linear precise positioning systems are required in a variety of applications including high and low propulsion technology, computer peripherals, machine tools, and robotics.

Step motor can be run in open-loop or closed-loop mode. In closed-loop mode, the motor is used like a conventional servo motor. A signal from the output feedback is used to operate a gate controlling the pulses from a pulse generator.

1.4 SMC3 Background

The SMC3 (Step Motor Controller-3) drive is designed by Dennis Feucht of Innovatia Laboratories. It is design to run two phase step motors and it is advanced version of SMC1 and SMC2. The SMC1 uses low-cost components in a semi-discrete implementation, which provides greater circuit observability during design development. It is adaptable to a wide range of power amplifiers. The SMC2 is a semi-discrete implementation of a sensor based, field-oriented control of a step motor. The SMC1 and SMC2 use a microcontroller while the SMC3 uses a DSP (ADSP-2101). The DSP allows complex functions to be implemented with the flexibility of software, rather than custom hardware which is function and application specific. So SMC3 uses less physical components compared to SMC1 and SMC2. The SMC1 and SMC2 control the current using a hardware approach (chopper control) while the SMC3 controls the current using control firmware (PID control). The main research of this thesis was to debug and troubleshoot hardware and implement current control for the SMC3 for sensorless step motor control.

1.5 Thesis Organization

The present research work focuses on the implementation of current control for field-oriented controlled step motor so that sensorless control can be implemented.

Chapter II presents various step motor designs, their operation, advantages, drive topology, and field-orientation control technique.

Chapter III gives an overview of the SMC3 design and explains about dual PWM generator, power driver, sensing circuit and DSP.

Chapter IV establishes the need for current control and presents the SMC3 closed loop model for simulation and compares simulation results with experimental results.

Chapter V provides an overview of sensorless implementation using an extended Kalman filter for a field-oriented step motor.

CHAPTER II

STEP MOTORS

The step motor, also called a stepper motor, is an electromagnetic device that converts digital pulses into mechanical shaft position. Basically, a step motor is a synchronous motor with the magnetic field electrically switched to rotate the armature magnet rotor. In theory a step motor is similar to a permanent magnet synchronous motor. The motor rotation not only has a direct relation to the number of input pulses, but its speed is related to the frequency of the pulses. Due to step motor ease of use, simple controls needs, and precise control, step motors are commonly used in measurement and control applications. Sample applications include printers, disk drives, robots, and machine tools. There are several features common to all step motors that make them ideally suited for these types of applications. These features are

- Brushless: Step motors are brushless. The commutator and brushes of conventional motors are some of the most failure-prone components; they create electrical arcing that is undesirable or dangerous in some environments.

- Load Independent: Step motors will turn at a set speed regardless of load as long as the load does not exceed the torque rating.
- Holding Torque: Between steps, the motor hold its position without clutches or brakes. Thus a step motor can be precisely controlled so that it rotates a desired number of steps.
- Response: Step motors provide excellent response to rapid deceleration, stopping and reversal with the appropriate logic.

This chapter describes various types of step motors, their operation, drive topology, mode of excitation, field-oriented control, speed-torque characteristics and resonances.

2.1 Types of Step Motors

The step motor can be classified into several types according to machine structure and principle of operation. There are basically three types of step motors; variable reluctance, permanent magnet and hybrid.

2.1.1 Variable Reluctance Motors

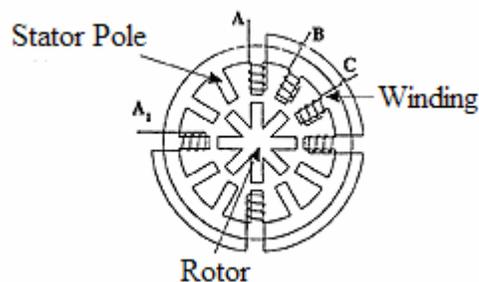


Figure 2. Variable Reluctance Motor

The variable reluctance motor is available in single stack or in multi stack. The stator and the rotor core are normally made of laminated silicon steel, but solid silicon steel rotors are also extensively employed. Both the stator and rotor materials must have high permeability and be capable of allowing high magnetic flux to pass through even if a low magnetomotive force is applied. In a multi stack motor each stack includes a stator held in position by the outer casing of the motor and carrying the motor windings. The rotor is fabricated as a single unit, which is supported at each end of the machine by bearings, and includes a projecting shaft for the connection of external loads.

The basic variable reluctance step motor with three phases and 12 stator poles is shown in Figure 2. The stator teeth which are 90 degrees apart from each other belong to the same phase. The rotor has eight teeth. Both the stator and rotor have a toothed structure. If phase A is excited magnetic flux will be set up in motor. The rotor will then be positioned so that the stator poles associated with winding A and any four rotor teeth are aligned. Thus when the rotor teeth and stator teeth are aligned, the magnetic reluctance is minimized, and this state is an equilibrium position. If phase A is turned off and phase B is now turned on, the motor reluctance seen from the DC power supply will be suddenly increased just after switching takes place. So to minimize the reluctance the rotor will move 15° in the clockwise direction. This process will continue if we turn off phase B and turn on phase C. After completing a rotor-tooth-pitch rotation in 24 steps, the rotor will return to its original position. Reversing the procedure (C to A) would result in a counterclockwise rotation.

2.1.2 Permanent Magnet Step Motors

A step motor using a permanent magnet in the rotor is called a permanent magnet (PM) motor. The rotor is made of ferrite or rare earth material which is permanently magnetized. An elementary PM motor is shown in Figure 3, which employs a cylindrical permanent magnet as the rotor and possesses four poles in its stator. Two overlapping windings are wound as one winding on poles 1 and 3, and these two windings are separated from each other at terminals to keep them as independent windings. The same is true for poles 2 and 4. The terminals marked Ca or Cb denote “common” to be connected to the positive terminal of the power supply as shown in the switching circuit (Figure 3). If winding A is excited, pole 1 produces a north pole and pole 3 produces a south pole. If winding A1 is excited the polarity will be reversed. If the windings are excited in the sequence A → B → A1 → B1 → - - - - the rotor will be driven in a clockwise direction. The step length is 90° in this machine. If the number of stator teeth and magnetic poles on the rotor are both doubled, a two-phase motor with a step length of 45° will be realized. PM motors have simple construction and low cost that makes it an ideal choice for non-industrial applications, such as a line printer.

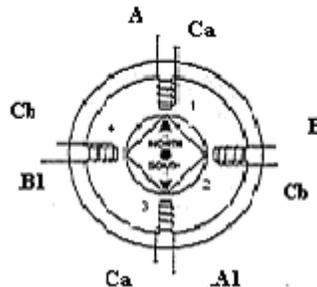


Figure 3. Permanent Magnet Motor

2.1.3 Hybrid Step Motors

Another type of step motor having a permanent magnet in its rotor is the hybrid motor. The term 'hybrid' derives from the fact that the motor is operated with the combined principles of the permanent magnet and variable reluctance motors in order to achieve small step length and high torque in spite of small motor size. Standard hybrid motors have 50 rotor teeth and rotate at 1.80 degrees per step. Other hybrid motors are available in 0.9 and 3.6 degree step lengths. Because they exhibit high static and dynamic torque and run at very small step lengths, hybrid motors are used in a wide variety of industrial applications.

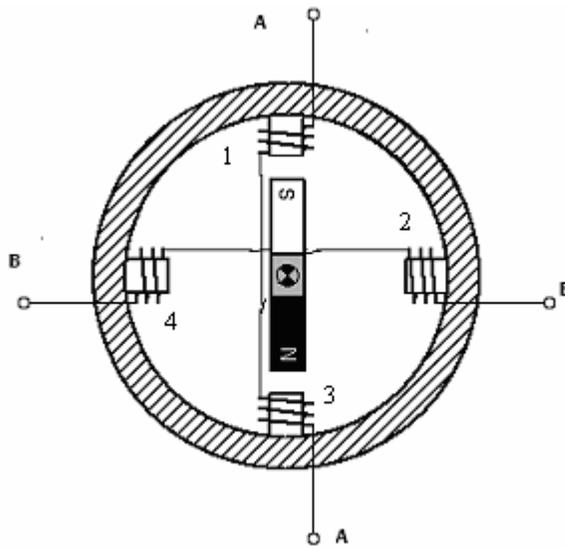


Figure 4. Hybrid Step Motor

Figure 4 shows a two phase hybrid step motor with four poles. The windings are placed on poles on the stator and a permanent magnet is mounted on the rotor. The important feature of the hybrid motor is its rotor structure. A cylindrical or disk-shaped magnet lies in the rotor core. Both the stator and rotor end-caps are toothed. The toothed end-caps are normally made of laminated silicon steel. The stator has only one set of winding-excited

poles which interact with two rotor teeth. The coil in pole 1 and pole 3 is connected in series consisting of phase A, and poles 2 and 4 are for phase B. If stator phase A is excited the top stator pole acquires a north polarity while the bottom stator pole acquires a south polarity. As a result the top stator pole attracts the rotor's south pole while the bottom stator pole aligns with the rotor's north pole. If the excitation is shifted from phase A to phase B such that stator pole 2 becomes a north pole and stator pole 4 becomes a south pole, that would cause the rotor to turn 90^0 in the clockwise direction. Again phase A is excited with pole 1 as a south pole and pole 3 as a north pole, causing the rotor to move 90^0 in the clockwise direction. If excitation is removed from phase A and phase B is excited such that pole 2 produces a south pole and pole 4 produces a north pole, that results in rotor movement of 90^0 in the clockwise direction. Again shifting excitation from phase B to phase A with stator pole 1 as a north pole and stator pole 3 as a south pole causes the rotor to move 90^0 in the clockwise direction. A complete cycle of excitation for the hybrid motor consists of four states and produces four steps of rotor movement. The excitation state is the same before and after these four steps, so the alignment of stator/rotor teeth occurs under the same stator poles. Therefore the step length for a hybrid motor is given by

$$\text{Step length} = 90^0 / N_r \quad (2.1.1)$$

The motor explained above has one rotor pole pair (N_r), so the step length is 90^0 in this case.

2.2 Comparison of Motor Types

The system designer is faced with the choice of the specific type of step motor, and the decision is influenced by the application of the motor. Some of these factors are the torque requirements of the system, and the complexity of the controller.

2.2.1 Variable Reluctance versus Permanent Magnet or Hybrid

Variable reluctance motors (VRMs) benefit from the simplicity of their design. These motors do not require complex permanent magnet rotors, so they are generally more robust than permanent magnet motors. Variable reluctance motors have two important advantages when the load must be moved a considerable distance. First, step lengths are longer than in the hybrid type so fewer steps are required to move a given distance. A reduction in the number of steps implies fewer excitation changes. The speed with which excitation changes limits the time taken to move the required distance. Second, the variable-reluctance stepping motor has a lower rotor mechanical inertia than hybrid (and PM) motors, because there is no permanent magnet on its rotor. In many cases the rotor inertia contributes a significant proportion of the total inertia load on the motor and reduction in the inertia allows faster acceleration.

Variable reluctance motors do have a drawback. With sinusoidal exciting currents, permanent magnet and hybrid motors are very quiet. In contrast, variable reluctance motors are generally noisy, no matter what drive waveform is used. As a result, permanent magnet or hybrid motors are generally preferred where noise or vibration is an issue.

With appropriate control systems, both permanent magnet and hybrid motors can be microstepped, allowing positioning to a fraction of a step, and allowing smooth, jerk-free moves from one step to next. Microstepping is not generally applicable to variable reluctance motors. These motors are typically run in full-step increments. Complex current limiting control is required to achieve high speed with variable reluctance motors.

Compared to variable reluctance motors a hybrid motor (and permanent magnet motor too) requires less excitation because of the PM rotor. If the stator excitation were to be removed, the rotor will continue to remain locked into the same position as it is prevented from moving in either direction by torque caused by the permanent magnet excitation. This feature favors hybrid (and PM) motors in applications where the rotor position must be preserved during a power failure.

Although PM motors operate at fairly low speed the PM motor has a relatively high torque characteristic for a small motor size compared with a variable reluctance motor of the same size.

2.2.2 Hybrid versus Permanent Magnet

In selecting between hybrid and permanent magnet motors, the two primary issues are cost and resolution. The same drive electronics and wiring options generally apply to both motor types.

Permanent magnet motors are, without question, some of the least expensive motors made. They are sometimes described as can-stack motors because the stator is constructed as a stack of two windings enclosed in metal stampings that resemble tin cans and are almost as inexpensive to manufacture. In comparison, hybrid and variable

reluctance motors are made using stacked laminations with motor windings that are significantly more difficult to wind.

Hybrid motors have a small step length, which can be a great advantage when high resolution angular positioning is required. Compared to PM motors, finer step length for better resolution is easily obtained in hybrid motors by adding additional rotor teeth.

Hybrid motors suffer some of the vibration problems of variable reluctance motors, but they are not as severe. They generally can step at rates higher than permanent magnet motors, although very few of them offer useful torque above 5000 steps per second.

2.3 Step Motor Modes of Excitation

One of the most important decisions to make is the step size (mode) of the motor. This will be determined by the resolution necessary for particular application. The most common step sizes for PM motors are 7.5 and 3.6 degrees. Hybrid motors typically have step sizes ranging from 3.6 degrees to 0.9 degrees. Step motor 'step modes' include full, half, and microstep. The type of step mode output of any motor is dependent on the design of the driver circuit.

2.3.1 Full Step Operation

Full step mode is achieved by energizing both windings while reversing the current alternately. Essentially one digital input from the driver is equivalent to one step. If two phases of the hybrid motor are excited, the torque produced by the motor is increased but the power supply to the motor is also increased. This can be an important consideration in

applications where the power available to drive the motor is limited. The SMC3 motor has a step length of 1.8° .

2.3.2 Half Step Operation

In half step mode, one winding is energized and then two windings are energized alternately, causing the rotor to rotate at half the distance. An essential advantage of a step motor operation in half step mode is its position resolution is increased by a factor of two compared to full step mode. If we have a $(1.8)^\circ$ full step length, a step length of $(0.9)^\circ$ is achieved in half step mode. Half step mode also reduces the amount of “jumpiness” inherent in running in full step mode. The half step system needs twice as many clock pulses as the full step system; the clock frequency is twice as high as with full step mode, and half step mode produces only about half of the torque of full step mode.

2.3.3 Micro Step Operation

The full step length of a stepping motor can be divided into smaller increments of rotor motion - known as “micro step” - by partially exciting several phase windings. Micro stepping is a relatively new step motor technology that controls the current in the motor winding. Micro stepping is typically used in applications that require accurate positioning and a fine resolution over a wide range of speeds. The major disadvantage of the micro step drive is the cost of implementation due to the need for partial excitation of the motor windings at different current levels.

2.4 Types of Drives

The step motor driver circuit has to change the current and flux direction in the phase windings. Stepping requires a change of flux direction, independently in each phase. The direction change is done by changing the current direction, and may be done in two different ways: using a unipolar or a bipolar drive.

2.4.1 Unipolar Drives

The name unipolar is derived from the fact that current flow is limited to one direction. A unipolar drive is fairly simply and inexpensive. The unipolar drive principle requires a winding with a center tap, or two separate windings per phase. Flux direction is reversed by moving the current from one half of the winding to the other half. This method requires only two switches per phase. The unipolar drive utilizes only half the available copper volume of winding and therefore incurs twice the loss of a bipolar drive at the same output power. The basic control circuit for a unipolar motor is shown in Figure 5.

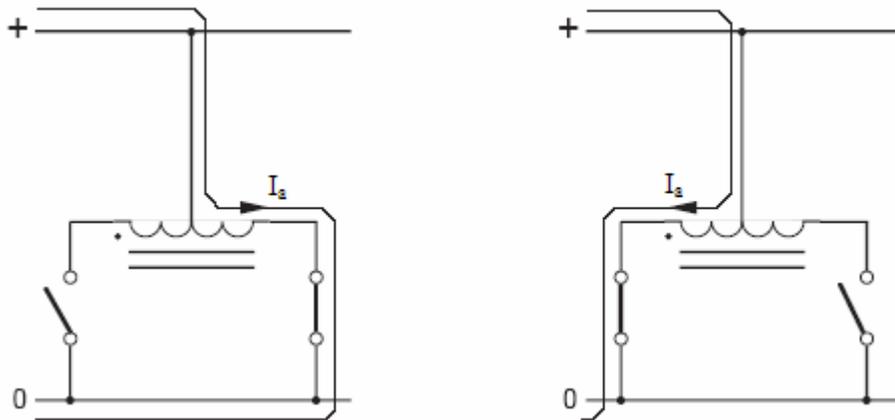


Figure 5. Unipolar Drive

2.4.2 Bipolar Drives

Bipolar drives are by far the most widely used drives for industrial applications. Although they are typically more expensive to design, they offer high performance and high efficiency. The word “bipolar” refers to the principle where the current direction in one winding is changed by shifting the voltage polarity across the winding terminal. To change polarity a total of four switches are needed, forming an H-bridge. The bipolar drive method requires one winding per phase. The motor winding is fully energized by turning on one set (top and bottom) of the switching transistors. The basic control circuit for a bipolar motor is shown in Figure 6.

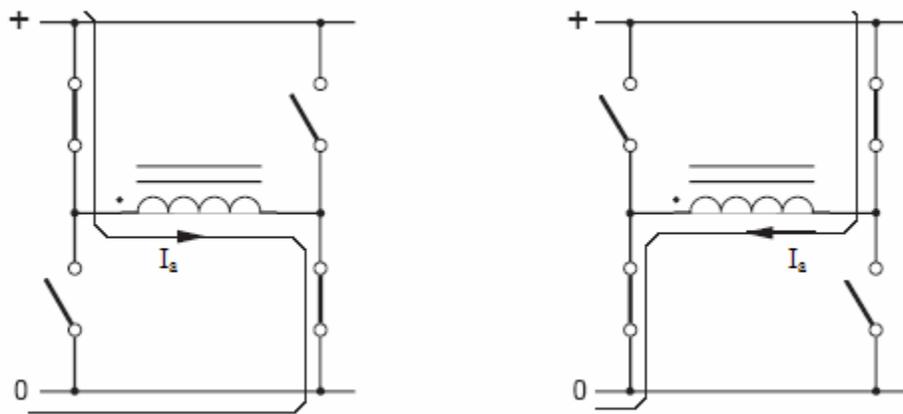


Figure 6. Bipolar Drive

2.5 Torque Production in Hybrid Step Motors

Consider a two phase motor having the pole configuration as shown in Figure 7. To simplify the analysis, the effects of winding resistance, eddy currents, detent torque, mutual induction, and hysteresis are neglected. Also magnetic circuits in the motor are assumed to be linear, that is the magnetic flux induced by the stator currents is independent of the internal magnet and proportional to the applied emf [1].

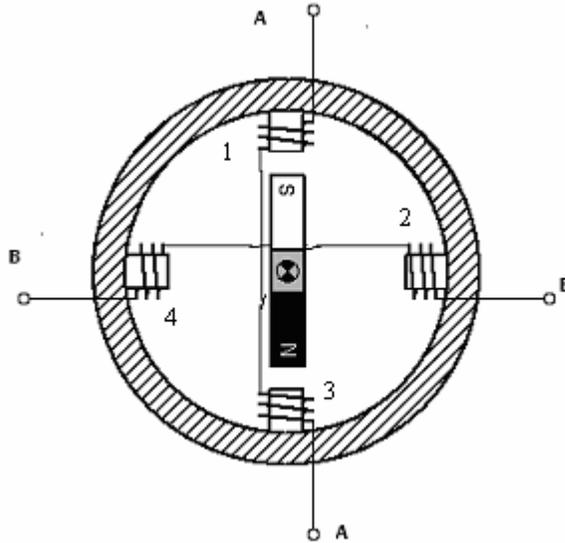


Figure 7. Two Phase Hybrid Step Motor

From the fundamental law of energy conservation

$$(\text{Electrical power supplied by source}) = (\text{Mechanical output power}) + (\text{Rate of increase in magnetic energy}) \quad (2.5.1)$$

This equation can be written as

$$(e_A * i_A + e_B * i_B) = T \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) + \frac{d \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \right) * i_A^2 * L_A + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) * i_B^2 * L_B \right)}{dt} \quad (2.5.2)$$

where e_A =emf induced in the A phase

e_B =emf induced in the B phase

i_A = current in the A phase

i_B =current in the B phase

L_A =inductance of the A phase

L_B =inductance of the B phase

T =torque developed

$\theta =$ angular displacement

If the magnetic circuits are linear and the mutual inductance between the two phases is negligible, the torque can be separated into A and B components such that

$$T = \tau_A + \tau_B \quad (2.5.3)$$

Hence

$$-(e_A * i_A) = \tau_A \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) * \frac{d(i_A^2 * L_A)}{dt} \quad (2.5.4)$$

$$-(e_B * i_B) = \tau_B \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) * \frac{d(i_B^2 * L_B)}{dt} \quad (2.5.5)$$

The terminal voltage for each phase is the sum of two components; the voltage generated by the permanent-magnet flux linking the phase windings and that caused by current flowing through the phase inductance. The equation for phase A is therefore rewritten as

$$-(e_{gA} + e_{LA}) * i_A = \tau_A \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) * \frac{d(i_A^2 * L_A)}{dt} \quad (2.5.6)$$

where e_{gA} is the voltage generated by the permanent-magnet flux linking with phase A and e_{LA} is the voltage induced by the current in phase A and is given by

$$e_{LA} = - \frac{d(i_A * L_A)}{dt} \quad (2.5.7)$$

Substituting this into equation (2.5.6)

$$-e_{gA} * i_A + i_A * \frac{d(i_A * L_A)}{dt} = \tau_A * \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) * \frac{d(i_A^2 * L_A)}{dt} \quad (2.5.8)$$

Hence

$$i_A * \frac{d(i_A * L_A)}{dt} - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) * \frac{d(i_A^2 * L_A)}{dt} = i_A^2 * \frac{dL_A}{dt} + (L_A * i_A) \frac{di_A}{dt} - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) * L_A * \frac{d(i_A^2)}{dt} -$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) * i_A^2 * \frac{dL_A}{dt} \quad (2.5.9)$$

The second and the third term cancel each other, so this equation becomes

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) * i_A^2 * \frac{dL_A}{dt} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) * i_A^2 * \left(\frac{dL_A}{d\theta}\right) * \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt}\right) \quad (2.5.10)$$

Substituting this relation in to equation (2.5.8)

$$\tau_A = e_{gA} * \frac{i_A}{\dot{\theta}} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) * i_A^2 * \frac{dL_A}{d\theta} \quad (2.5.11)$$

where

$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \quad (2.5.12)$$

The second term on the right-hand side of equation represents the torque due to the variation of the phase inductance with rotor position, which is the principle of the VR stepping motor. In a typical hybrid stepping motor, the variation of the phase inductance is as small as a few percent, and its contribution to the stationary torque is negligible.

Hence the torque is given by

$$T = -\frac{(e_{gA} * i_A + e_{gB} * i_B)}{\dot{\theta}} \quad (2.5.13)$$

It is known from experiments that the waveform of e_g is close to a sine wave, plus some harmonic components.

Ignoring the harmonic components e_{gA} and e_{gB} are given by

$$e_{gA} = \omega * \lambda * \cos(\omega * t - \rho) \quad (2.5.14)$$

$$e_{gB} = \omega * \lambda * \cos(\omega * t - \rho) \quad (2.5.15)$$

where $\lambda =$ a constant determined by the motor dimensions and number of turns ($Vs \text{ rad}^{-1}$)

$\rho =$ the phase angle, i.e., the torque angle (rad)

The angular frequency ω in these equations is related to the angular speed $\dot{\theta}$ and the number of rotor teeth N_r and is given by

$$\omega = N_r * \dot{\theta} \quad (2.5.16)$$

The current in each phase is a sinusoidal wave with amplitude of I_M and the same frequency ω as that of the induced voltages.

$$i_A = -I_M * \sin(\omega * t) \quad (2.5.17)$$

$$i_B = -I_M * \cos(\omega * t) \quad (2.5.18)$$

Substituting equation (2.5.14), (2.5.15), (2.5.16), (2.5.17), (2.5.18), into Equation (2.5.13) gives

$$T = -(\omega * \lambda * I_M) * \frac{\{\sin(\omega * t - \rho) * \cos(\omega * t) - \cos(\omega * t - \rho) * \sin(\omega * t)\}}{\dot{\theta}} \quad (2.5.19)$$

$$T = \lambda * N_r * I_M * \sin\rho \quad (2.5.20)$$

2.6 Field Oriented Control

In its simplest form, a step motor consists of a permanent magnet which rotates (the rotor), surrounded by equally spaced windings which are fixed (the stator). Current flow in each winding produces a magnetic field vector, which sums with the field from the other winding. By controlling currents in each winding, a magnetic field of arbitrary direction and magnitude can be produced by the stator. Torque is then produced by the attraction or repulsion between this net stator field and the magnetic field of the rotor.

In field oriented control, the motor input currents are adjusted to set a specific angle between the fluxes produced in the rotor and stator windings. The key to field oriented control is the knowledge of the rotor flux position angle with respect to the stator. The

angle between the stator and rotor flux is computed from shaft position. For any position of the rotor, there is an optimal direction of the net stator field, which maximizes torque; there is also a direction which will produce no torque. If the permanent magnet rotor is in the same direction as the field produces the net stator field, no torque is produced. The fields interact to produce a force, but because the force is in line with the axis of rotation of the rotor, it only serves to compress the motor bearings, not to cause rotation. On the other hand, if the stator field is orthogonal to the field produced by the rotor, the magnetic forces work to turn the rotor and torque is maximized. A stator field with arbitrary direction and magnitude can be decomposed into components parallel and orthogonal to the rotor field. In this case, only the orthogonal (quadrature) component produces torque, while the parallel component produces useless compression forces. For the purpose of control system modeling and analysis, it is convenient to work in terms of winding currents rather than stator magnetic field. This is because motor currents are easily measured externally while fields (flux) are not.

In a step motor, the stator field is produced by current flow in two equally spaced stator windings. These two components sum to produce the net magnetic field of the stator. In order to model the field produced by the stator windings in terms of winding current, 'current space vectors' are used. The current space vector for a given winding has the direction of the field produced by that winding and a magnitude proportional to the current through the winding. This will represent the total stator field as a current space vector that is the vector sum of two current space vector components, one for each of the stator windings.

The stator current space vector can be broken into orthogonal components in parallel with, and perpendicular to, the axis of the rotor magnet. The quadrature current component produces a field at right angles to the rotor magnet and therefore results in torque, while the direct current component produces a field that is aligned with the rotor magnet and therefore produces no torque. Winding currents will be adjusted so as to produce a current space vector that lies exclusively in the quadrature direction. Torque will then be proportional to the magnitude of the current space vector.

In order to efficiently produce constant smooth torque, the stator space vector should ideally be constant in magnitude and should turn with the rotor so as to always be in the quadrature direction, irrespective of the rotor angle and speed. While the stator current space vector may be constant in magnitude and direction if viewed from the rotating frame of reference of the rotor, from the fixed frame of the stator the current space vector describes a circle as the motor turns. Because the current space vector is produced by the vector sum of components from each of the motor windings, the motor winding currents should ideally be two sinusoids, phase shifted 90° from each other. If winding A and B currents are sine waves phased 90° with respect to each other, then the resulting stator magnetic field vector will rotate at the sinusoidal frequency.

2.6.1 Sine/Cosine wave generation

The generation of sinusoidal current waves for field oriented control requires a complex sine-cosine generator (resolver) either by analog or digital design. The sine-cosine waves are generated digitally by DSP for SMC3 [2].

The following formula approximates the sine of the input variable x

$$\sin(x) = 3.140625x + 0.02026367x^2 - 5.325196x^3 + 0.544677x^4 + 1.800293x^5 \quad (2.6.1)$$

The approximation is accurate for any value of x from 0^0 to 90^0 (the first quadrant). The sine of any angle can be inferred from the sine of an angle in first quadrant because $\sin(-x) = -\sin(x)$ and $\sin(x) = \sin(180^0 - x)$. The ADSP-2101 is a 16-bit DSP. On this scale, 180^0 equals the maximum positive value, H#7FFF, and -180^0 equals the maximum negative value, H#8000. So the routine first adjusts the input angle to its equivalent in the first quadrant. The sine of the modified angle is calculated by multiplying increasing powers of the angle by the appropriate coefficients. The result is adjusted if necessary to compensate for the modifications made to the original input value. The cosine of the phase is generated by subtracting the phase from H#4000, which corresponds to $\pi/2$.

The SMC3 uses a 1000 line encoder, with 4000 encoder transitions per mechanical revolution. The motor in the SMC3 has 100 poles. So one mechanical revolution is equal to 50 electrical revolutions. The number of encoder counts per electrical revolution equals 80. The current in each winding is controlled as a function of shaft angle as follows:

$$I_a = I \sin(\text{phase}) \quad (2.6.2)$$

$$I_b = I \cos(\text{phase}) \quad (2.6.3)$$

where I is the amplitude of the desired motor current set by the PID current controller and the phase is obtained from the rotor position by the encoder. Since there are 80 encoder counts per electrical revolution, the phase value can be changed from -40 to $+40$. The ADSP-2101 is 16-bit DSP, which can represent maximum value of 65536. So scaling factor of $65536/80 \cong 819$ is used for phase adjustment. The look-up table is created to obtain rotor position from encoder.

Previous Encoder State		Current Encoder State		Phase Change
B	A	B	A	
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	-1
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	2
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	2
0	1	1	1	-1
1	0	0	0	-1
1	0	0	1	2
1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	2
1	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	-1
1	1	1	1	0

Table 1. Look-up Table for Encoder Information

2.6.2 Frequency Synthesis

The quadrature sine waves are generated digitally by executing DSP firmware. Frequency is the rate of phase change, $d\phi/dt$. The ADSP-2101 has a word length of $N=16$ bits. An n -bit phase variable is incremented by the amount $\Delta\phi$ at a rate of f_c . The phase is then scaled appropriately and the sine of the phase is computed [3].

In this case the phase iteration rate, f_c , is the frequency of the IRQ2 interrupt, which is the PWM frequency of 39.0625 kHz. The phase of one cycle of sinusoid (2π radians) is scaled to the word-length of the phase variable (16 bits) so that when the variable exceeds its allowable range, it wraps continuously into the adjacent sine cycle. With this scaling, no end-of-cycle rollover calculation is required. Therefore, one bit of the N -bit phase variable represents $2\pi/2^N$ degrees of the phase. An LSB represents $2\pi/2^N = 96 \mu\text{rad}$.

The sine of the phase is therefore calculated as:

$$\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{2^{16}}\phi\right)$$

where ϕ is the N -bit value of the phase variable. The output frequency of the sinusoid is, in general:

$$f_{\text{out}} = \left(\frac{\Delta\phi}{2^N}\right) \cdot f_c \quad (2.6.4)$$

For a commanded output frequency, the required phase increment value can be calculated from

$$\Delta\phi = 2^N \cdot \left(\frac{f_{\text{out}}}{f_c} \right) \quad (2.6.5)$$

In the DSP code, f_{out} is multiplied by $2^{2N}/f_c$. After multiplying, the upper N bits of the 2N-bit product are taken as the result, effectively dividing the product by 2^N .

As an example, suppose we want to run at constant speed of 1200 rpm. This corresponds to 20 mechanical revolutions per second, which for a 100-pole motor corresponds to 1000 electrical revolutions per second. For the given f_c of 39.0625 kHz and output frequency of $f_{\text{out}} = 1$ kHz, the desired phase increment is:

$$\Delta\phi = (2^{16}) \left(\frac{1\text{kHz}}{39.0625\text{kHz}} \right) = 1677 \cong 10.7\text{bits} \quad (2.6.6)$$

Since $\Delta\phi$ has a resolution of $\pm 1/2$ bit, f_{out} has a resolution of

$$2^{16} [(1/2)/39.0625 \text{ kHz}] = 0.30 \text{ Hz}. \quad (2.6.7)$$

2.7 Torque vs Speed Characteristics

If a stepping motor is used to change the position of a mechanical load by several steps the system designer needs to know how much torque the motor can produce while accelerating, decelerating or running at constant speed.

To characterize the torque versus speed relationship of a stepping motor the graph as shown in Figure 8 is presented. The stepping rate is proportional to speed. The two curves in the Figure 8 are the pull-in torque curve and the pull-out torque curve which is

known also as the slewing curve. These torques are important for determining whether or not a stepping motor will “slip” when operating in a particular application. A “slip” refers to the motor not moving when it should be moving, or moving when it should not be moving.

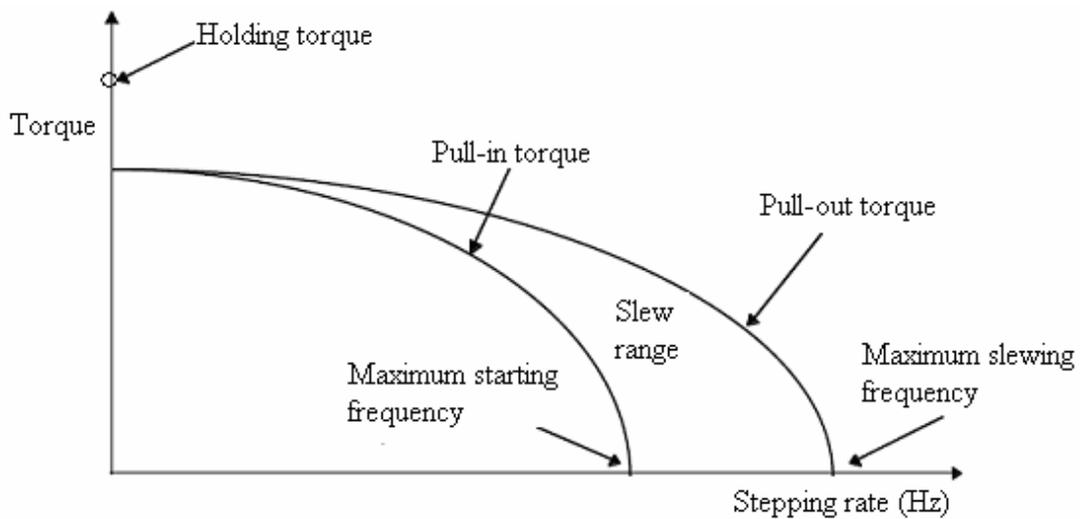


Figure 8. Speed-Torque Curves

The pull-out torque versus speed curve represents the maximum friction-torque load that a stepping motor can drive before losing synchronism at a specified stepping rate with the magnetic field and motor stall. The pull-in torque versus speed curve represents the maximum frictional load at which the stepping motor can start without failure of motion when a pulse train of the corresponding frequency is applied. The pull in torque depends on the inertia of the load connected to the motor. The holding torque of is defined as the maximum torque produced by the motor at a standstill condition. The detent torque is the torque required to rotate the motor’s shaft while the windings are not energized. The maximum starting frequency is defined as the maximum control frequency at which the unloaded motor can start and stop without losing steps. The

maximum slewing frequency is defined as the maximum frequency at which the unloaded motor can run without losing steps, and is alternatively called the “maximum pull-out rate.” The maximum starting torque is alternatively called the “maximum pull-in torque” and is defined as the maximum frictional load torque with which the motor can start and synchronize with a pulse train of a frequency as low as 10 Hz.

2.8 Effect of Inductance on Winding Current

An important consideration in designing a high-speed motor controller is the effect of the inductance of the motor windings. Stepping motors are often run at voltages higher than their rated voltage. Increasing the voltage supplied to a motor increases the rate at which current rises in the windings of the motor. The higher current in the windings, the greater the torque and the higher the speed characteristics of the motor [4].

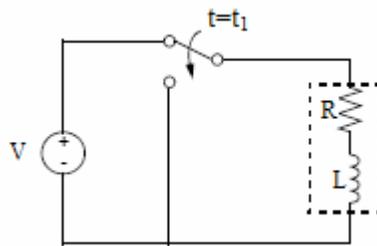


Figure 9. Winding Model

In order to understand why running a step motor at high voltage is beneficial to motor performance, it is necessary to understand the behavior of the motor current in the winding of a step motor. A winding can be modeled as an inductive-resistive circuit. There are three components to this model: the supply voltage (V), the resistance of the

winding (R), and the inductance of the winding (L). The winding model is shown in Figure 9.

The inductance of the motor winding determines the rise and fall time of the current through the windings. The inductance results in an exponential plot of current versus time as shown in Figure 10.

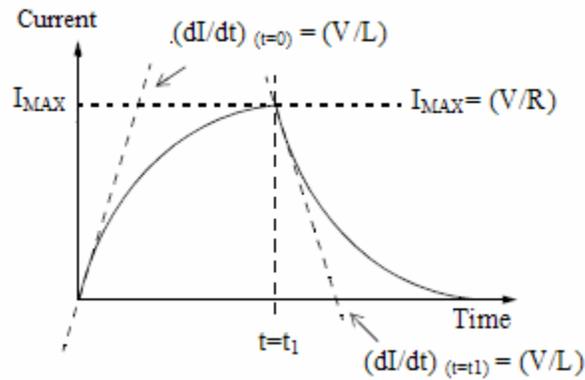


Figure 10. Winding Current

The current rise exponentially until I_{MAX} is reached. Current as function of time is given by

$$I(t) = \left(\frac{V}{R}\right) \left(1 - e^{-t\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)}\right) \quad (2.8.1)$$

The instantaneous rate that current rises when voltage is first applied is given by

$$\left(\frac{dI}{dt}\right)_{(t=0)} = \frac{V}{L} \quad (2.8.2)$$

The maximum current is given by

$$I_{MAX} = \frac{V}{R} \quad (2.8.3)$$

The current in the winding will remain at I_{MAX} until the supply is switched off. Referring to Figure 10, the current drops exponentially when the voltage supply is removed.

Current as a function of time is then given by

$$I(T) = \left(\frac{V}{R}\right) E^{-\left(T-T_2\right)\left(\frac{R}{L}\right)} \quad (2.8.4)$$

The instantaneous rate that the current drops when voltage is removed is given by

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = -\left(\frac{V}{L}\right) \quad (2.8.5)$$

These equations show that current rises and falls for a given winding as a function of the supply voltage and internal winding resistance.

Referring to Equation (2.8.1) and (2.8.2), the rate that current rises in a winding is increased by using a higher supply voltage. Equation (2.8.3) shows that I_{MAX} is also affected by increasing the supply voltage. So running a motor at high voltage while not taking into consideration current limitations can be very detrimental to motor life and drive circuitry.

2.9 Longevity

Another factor to consider when choosing a motor is the longevity of the motor. There is no analytical method for calculating motor life. Motor life is a complex function of: environment (temperature, altitude, humidity, air quality, shock, vibration, etc.), design (commutation design, bearing design, etc.), and application variables (shaft loads, velocity profile etc.).

Step motors by their nature are more robust than other type of motors because they do not have brushes that will wear out over time. Typically, other components in a particular

system will wear out long before the motor. However, all step motors are not created equal and even the best motors will fail if the proper considerations are not made. The following are some design guidelines that influence motor longevity:

- (1) Ball bearings last longer than bronze bushings and do not generate as much heat, but they are more costly.
- (2) Motors that run near their rated torque will not last as long as those that do not. Motors should be chosen so that they will run at 40-60% of their torque rating.
- (3) Protecting the motor from harsh environments. Exposure, humidity, harsh chemicals, dirt and debris will decrease motor life.
- (4) Ensuring adequate cooling will increase motor life and motor performance. Heat sinking can have a dramatic effect not only on the motor, but also on the driven load. Good design practice will allow for proper heat conduction away from temperature sensitive machine members, as well as away from the motor. Hybrid motors that use rare-earth magnets are particularly heat sensitive.
- (5) A coupling method should be selected to prevent damage to the motor due to axial or radial forces. Conversely, motor shaft end play, radial play and concentricity should be considered to assure proper mating to the load.
- (6) Resonance problems can be avoided by closely coupling all elements of the drive train. Direct coupling is normally more economical, quieter and less prone to resonance problems.
- (7) Finally, motors should be driven properly. Special care should be taken to ensure the current rating of the windings is not exceeded.

2.10 Resonance

Resonance is oscillatory phenomena which disturb the normal operation of the stepping motor. In some cases the magnitude of oscillation increases with time and eventually the motor loses synchronism. Resonance and instabilities may be classified into three categories: low-frequency, medium-range instability, and higher-range oscillation.

2.10.1 Low-Frequency Resonance

When a stepping motor is started at a very low speed and the pulse frequency is increased slowly, resonance first occurs at subharmonics of the natural frequency which is ordinarily around 100 Hz. Then a major resonance will appear around the natural frequency. These oscillations occur below 200 Hz and are called low-frequency resonance. As the pulse rate is increased above the natural frequency, the magnitude of oscillation decreases and becomes stable. In most practical situations the low-frequency resonance does not critically limit the performance of the stepping motor system since most motor/load combinations can be instantaneously started at stepping rates well above the natural frequency.

2.10.2 Medium-Range Instability

When the stepping rate is increased to the range of 500 Hz to 1500 Hz, stepping motors show troublesome behavioral features which are not of the low-frequency resonant type. They are due to inherent instability in the motor or in the motor drive system. This kind of oscillation in stepping motors is known as 'medium-range instability.' The frequency of this oscillatory behavior is quite different from the natural frequency, but occurs at 1/4

to 1/5 of stepping rate. The region of mid-range can be crossed without loss of synchronism by introducing more damping. Higher drive voltage and higher series resistance of the step motor drive improves the performance of the step motor in the mid-range frequency.

2.10.3 Higher-Range Oscillation

If the frequency is increased further and the motor is successfully accelerated through the mid-range instability, the next region of instability occurs in the range of 2500 HZ to 4000 Hz which known as Higher-range Oscillation.

CHAPTER III

THE HARDWARE DESIGN OF THE SMC3

This chapter describes the various aspects of the SMC3 hardware. The SMC3 drive is designed to drive a two-phase step motor. The SMC3 drive consists of four basic elements: PWM-generator, power driver, sensing circuit, and DSP. The PWM-generator generates two sinusoidal waveforms (for windings A and B) with frequencies and amplitudes computed by the DSP. The sine waves are applied to the motor windings through two full H-bridge power drivers. The full H-bridge driver provides bipolar drive to the motor windings, connected between the positive and negative terminals. The sense circuit measures motor winding voltages and currents. This chapter explains about various techniques (sensor and sensorless) to sense rotor position. The sense motor current is fed back to the DSP to implement current control. The SMC3 drive is built using an ADSP-2101. This chapter explains the ADSP-2101 architecture, interrupts, and serial ports.

3.1 SMC3 Design Overview

The SMC3 ECB (Electronic Circuit Board) is shown in Figure 11.

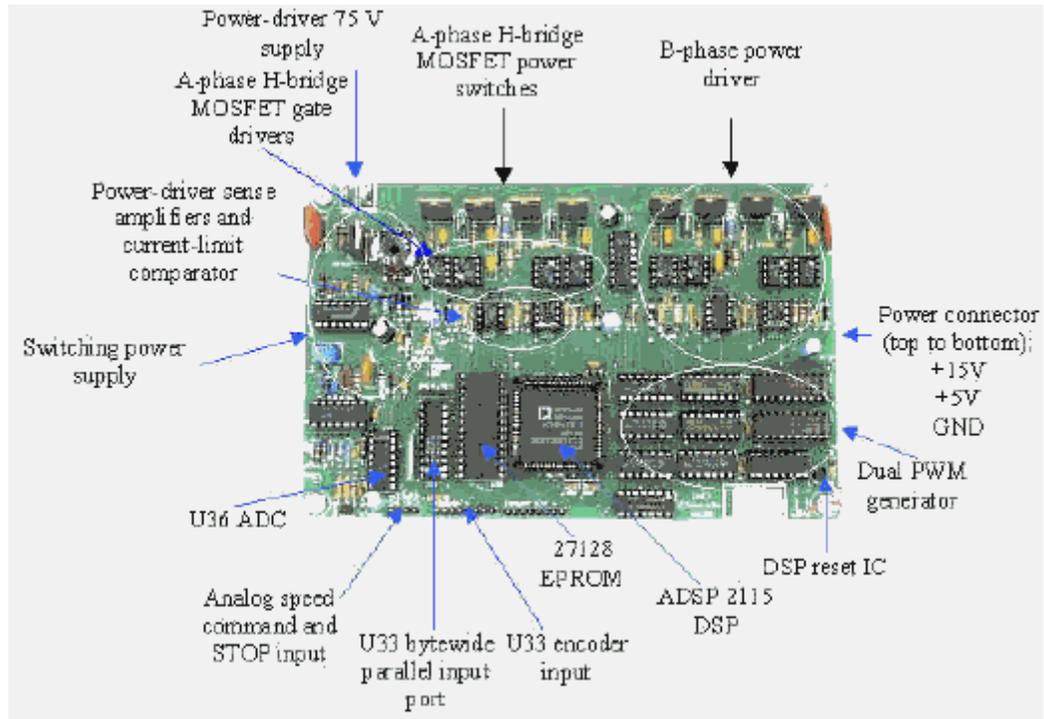


Figure 11. SMC3 ECB (Electronic Circuit board)

The SMC3 motor drive has been built using an Analog Devices ADSP-2101 digital signal processor (DSP). The SMC3 is designed to work with two-phase step motors, which are permanent magnet motors with many (typically 100) poles. The controller of the SMC3 interfaces to the DSP via a serial interface. The DSP outputs duty-ratio values to the dual PWM generator, which drives switching power drivers. These, in turn, drive output circuits that interface to the motor windings. The SMC3 electronics (hardware) functional diagram is shown in Figure 12.

The output sense circuits sense output voltages and currents. These analog quantities are processed for input to the A/D converter. The control loop includes the DSP, which inputs digitized voltage and current values from the motor. The DSP computes the output quantity (torque or speed) and compares it with the commanded value. The error difference is processed by a control filter to achieve the desired dynamic loop response. The output quantities of the filter are duty ratios, D , that are sent to the dual PWM generator via a DSP serial port.

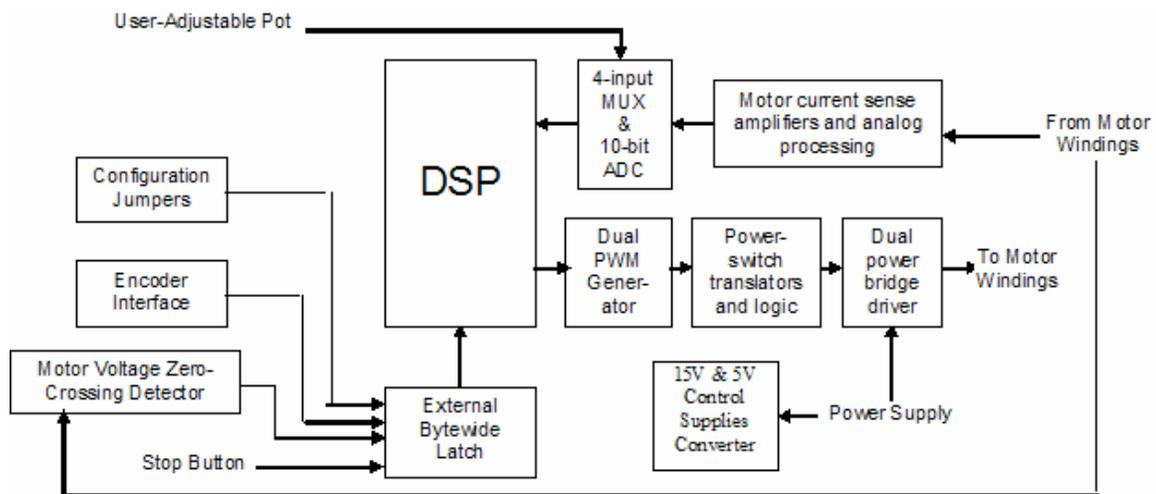


Figure 12. SMC3 Hardware Functional Diagram

3.2 Dual PWM Generator

Figure 13 shows the dual PWM (pulse-width modulation) generator. The DSP generates two sinusoidal waveforms (for windings A and B) with frequencies and amplitudes computed by the DSP. The sine-waves are in PWM form, as signed PWM duty ratios. The sine-waves are applied to the motor windings through two full H-bridge power drivers (one for each winding). For smooth, steady-state motor operation, the two motor

windings voltages must be sine waves in quadrature. Each PWM on-time is represented by nine bits (one sign bit and eight magnitude bits). DSP serial port 1 provides a programmable, constant-frequency clock (SCLK1) that is gated by TFS1 (transmit frame synchronization) for the 18 bits that are shifted into the shift registers of U11 and U12, in that order. U11 and U12 are 74HC595s: 8-bit shift registers clocked on the SRCLK (shift register clock input) pin, plus an 8-bit output register into which the shift-register is clocked from the RCLK (storage register clock input) pin. U17 is an 8-bit counter that is driven by a divide-by-two flip-flop, U18: A. The outputs of U11 and U12 are the PWMA and PWMB duty-ratio values, respectively. The PWM magnitude is 8 bits, which is compared against the U17 counter output by comparator U13. When the two comparator inputs are equal, U13 pin 19 goes low, resetting flip flop U15/Q output low, and ending the PWM cycle. The sign bit in the DSP code is considered positive when high.

Counter U17 Q7 output is brought out under the board on a wire that an oscilloscope external sync probe can be connected to, called PWMA SYNC. It goes low at the end of a PWM cycle, which is the beginning of a new PWM cycle. At the cycle transition point, /RC of U18:B asserts, resetting the U15 flip-flops and setting the PWM pulses on (high) at the /Q pins.

U17 is more than a counter. The 8 bits of the counter output drive an 8-bit register that latches on RCLK input positive edges. Consequently, the output state at the Q0-Q7 pins is one clock behind the counter. The /RCO output (pin 9) is the direct counter overflow, which asserts low on count 254 of Q0-Q7. It is clocked into U18:B on the next clock, and /RC asserts on count 255. Consequently the 255 state is the reset state and is not useable as a valid PWM duty-ratio value. The PWM output is according to the duty-ratio formula

$$D = (N+1) / 256 \quad , N = 0, \dots, 254 \quad (3.2.1)$$

On count 255, /RC asserts low, resetting the U15:A PWM pulse and interrupting the DSP through /IRQ2. Since the counter runs at 10 MHz, IRQ2 interrupts occur at a frequency of $10 \text{ MHz} / 256 = 39.0625 \text{ KHz}$. If N is set to 255, a very short PWM pulse (of a few tens of nanoseconds) occurs. The shift-register output of U11 is the data input (pin 14) of U12. Consequently, the PWMB value is shifted out of the DSP serial port first.

To synchronize updating of D values with the PWM generator, the end of a PWMA cycle interrupts the DSP, which then computes new values of D for PWMA and reissues the current D value for PWMB. The composite 16-bit data stream is shifted out before the end of the PWM cycle, so that when it occurs, the updated values of D are loaded into the U11, U12 output registers at the 255 count (reload state), starting the new cycle. The duty-ratio is a signed number of 9 bits. The sign bit switches the H-bridge for bipolar drive, to create a sine-wave.

Because the serial port allows up to 16 bits, the 18-bit quantity is sent 9 bits at a time, using the “transmit buffer empty” interrupt to effect transmission of the second PWM quantity for PWM A. To avoid cyclic transmission, a flag variable is set upon the transmission of the two PWM quantities.

For development and testing, it is hard to view a PWM waveform as a function of time. To recreate an approximate waveform, the PWM output is low-pass filtered for PWMA by R11 and C14, and is available at test point TP12. It normally appears as an approximate (obviously sampled) magnitude of sine – a full-wave rectified sine wave. Similarly, for PWMB, TP13 provides a filtered PWM representation.

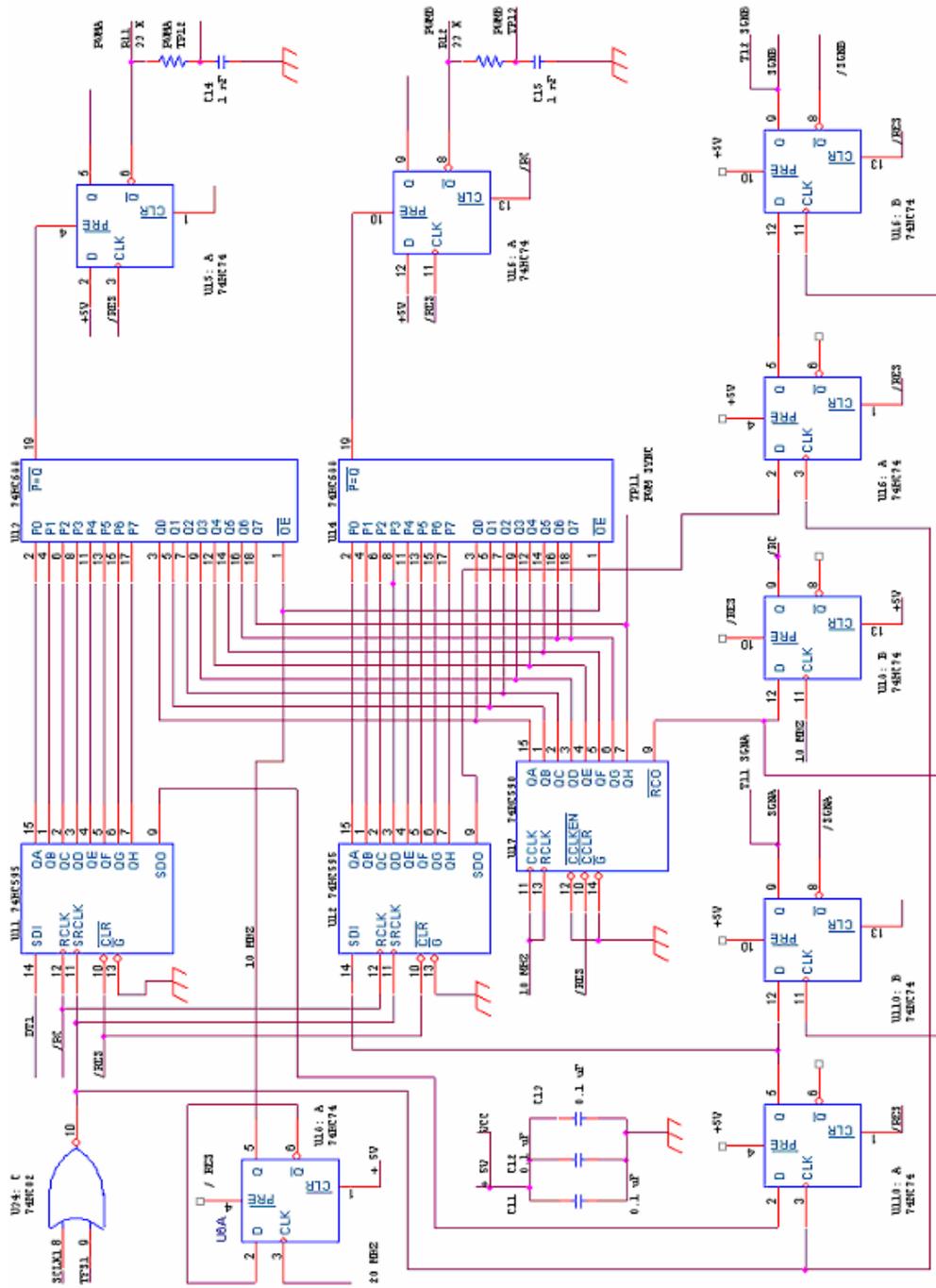


Figure 13. Dual PWM Generator

3.3 Power Driver Circuit

The right half of Figure 14 is the power driver for PWMA (top) and an identical circuit laid out on the circuit-board prototype for PWMB (bottom). The PWMA power driver is a full H-bridge, with upper power switches Q21 and Q23, and low-side switches Q22 and Q24. Either Q21 and Q24 are on and Q22 and Q23 off, or vice-versa, providing bipolar drive to the load, connected between the A+ and A- terminals. This H-bridge uses MOSFETs for one main reason - to improve the efficiency of the bridge. The voltage drop across the collector and emitter can reach more than 1 V during saturation and high heat dissipation is encountered using BJT devices. MOSFETS, which are intrinsically characterized by low drain to source turn-on resistance, are better suited for motor drive applications. MOSFETS are extremely static sensitive. If the gate is left open (no connection) the MOSFET can self-destruct. The gate is a high impedance device (10+ megaohms) and noise can trigger the MOSFET. Resistors R23, R24, R25 and R26 have been added specifically to stop the MOSFET from self-destructing. The TO-220 MOSFET package has a 1.7 °C/W thermal resistance.

The Power Integrations INT-201 high-side driver provides gate drive for an external high-side MOSFET switch. It is used in conjunction with an INT-200 low-side driver. This gate driver circuit provides a simple, cost effective interface between low voltage control logic and high voltage load. For bipolar drive, SGNA and /SGNA select between the + and - side low-side drivers and also gate the PWM waveform to the high-side drivers (/HSI on the INT-200 ICs) using U21:A and :B NAND gates. The LSIN signal directly controls Q21. The /HSIN signal causes the INT-200 to command the INT-201 to turn Q22 on or off as required. The INT-200 will ignore input signals that would

command both Q21 and Q22 to conduct simultaneously, protecting against shorting high bus to low bus.

The high-side driver INT-201 is designed to drive a floating N-channel MOSFET. The bias voltage for the high-side driver is developed by a bootstrap supply circuit, consisting of the diode and bootstrap capacitor. During start-up, the source (pin 5) is held at ground, allowing CBOOT (C26) to charge to +15V through the diode (D22). When the PWM input goes high, OUT (pin 6) will begin to charge the high-side MOSFET's gate (Q21). During this transition, charge is removed from C_{BOOT} and delivered to Q21's gate. As Q21 turns on, the source (pin 5) rises to V_{IN}, forcing the V_{DDH} pin to V_{IN}+V_{CBOOT} which provides sufficient V_{GS} enhancement for Q21. To complete the switching cycle, Q21 is turned off by pulling OUT (pin 6) to source. C_{BOOT} is then recharged to V_{IN}. When OUT (pin-5) falls to ground, OUT is in phase with PWM input.

The low-side driver (INT-200) is designed to drive a ground referenced low R_{DS(ON)} N-channel MOSFET. The bias for the low-side driver is connected between the OUT pin and ground. When the driver is enabled, the driver's output is 180⁰ out of phase with the PWM input.

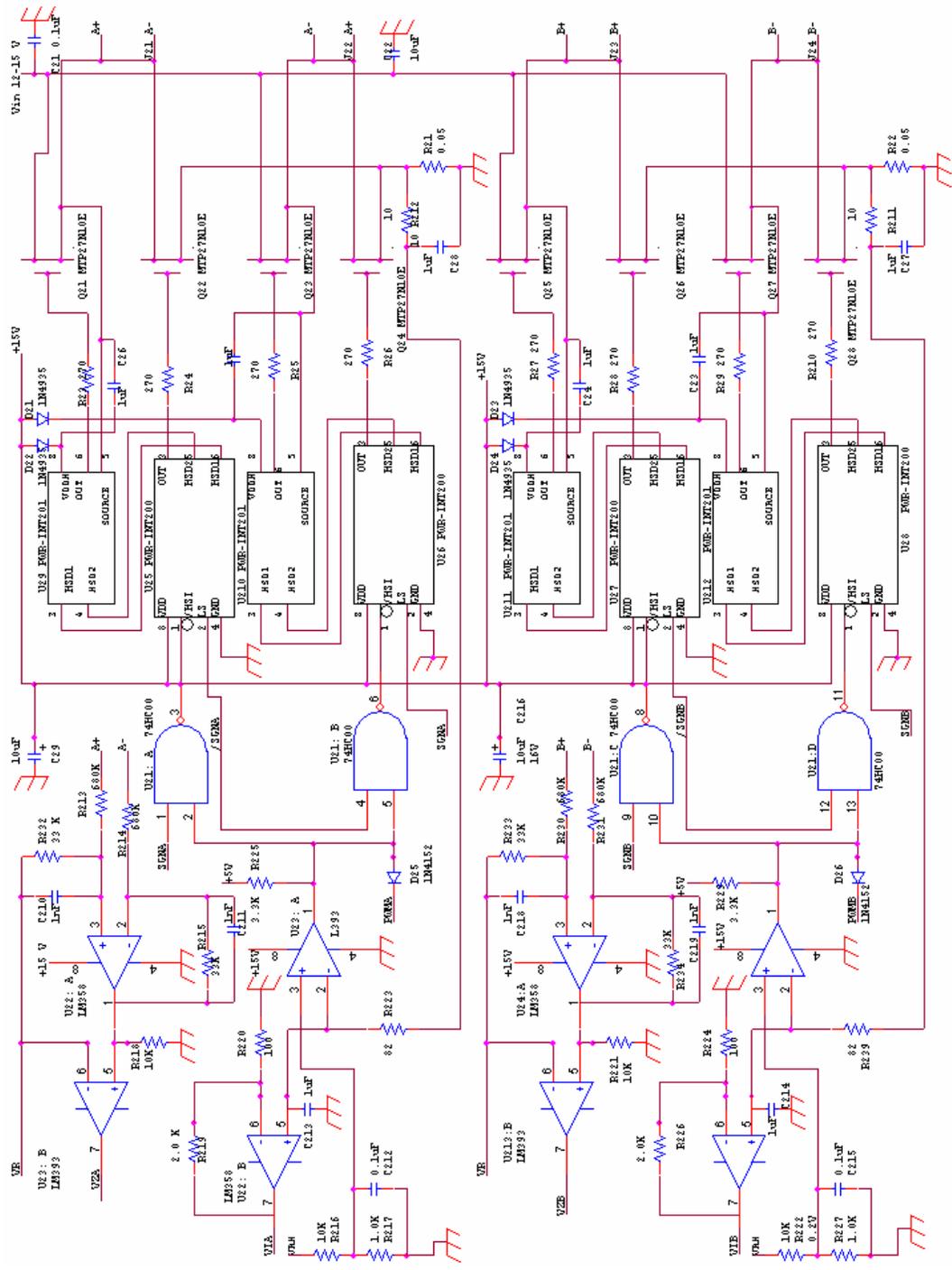


Figure 14. Power Driver and Sensing Circuit

3.3.1 PWM Switching Technique

For the SMC3 system the supply voltage is chopped at a fixed frequency (39.0625 KHz) with a duty cycle depending on the reference input (potentiometer). The main advantage of this PWM strategy is that the chopping frequency is a fixed parameter; hence acoustic and electromagnetic noise is relatively easy to filter [5]. There are two ways of handling the drive current switching: hard chopping and soft switching.

In hard chopping both transistors are driven by the same pulsed signal: the two transistors are switched on and switched off at the same time. In soft chopping mode the low side transistor is left on during the phase supply and high side transistor switches depending on the duty cycle set by the reference input. The soft chopping approach allows not only control of the current and of the rate of change of the current but minimization of the current ripple as well. The rate of current change is related directly to the voltage applied across the winding by the equation

$$V = L (di/dt) \tag{3.3.1}$$

The current ripple will be determined by the chopping frequency and the voltage across the coil [6]. When the winding is driven by two transistors switched on, the voltage across the winding is fixed by the power supply minus the saturation voltage (R_{Don} voltage drop) of the MOSFET. When soft switching is used, the voltage across the winding during recirculation is V_{on} of the lower transistor plus one diode drop plus the voltage drop across the sense resistor. In this case the current decays much slower than it rises and the ripple current is much smaller than in the previous case. So for this reason SMC3 uses the soft switching technique.

3.3.2 Maximum Current Limiter

U23A (LM393) is used to provide current limiting in the SMC3. The way this circuit works is that the voltage across the current sense resistor (R_{sense}) is compared with a fixed reference voltage which is predetermined according to

$$V_{\text{ref}} = R_{\text{sense}} * I_{\text{MAX}} \quad (3.3.2)$$

When V_{sense} rises above V_{ref} the transistor to which the PWM is applied is put in the off state until the current feedback becomes less than the maximum current limit. So one of the inputs to the LM393 comparator is the maximum current limit (set by V_{RH} , R_{216} , and R_{217}), and the other input is the current feedback from the motor [7].

A comparison of the current and the voltage applied to the winding over time is showing in Figure 15. The current limit can be changed by changing R_{216} or R_{217} . This current limit is for protection and normally it is not reached.

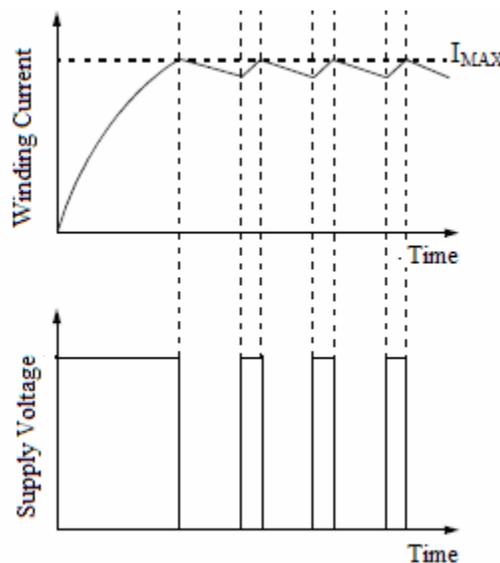


Figure 15. Winding Current and Supply Voltage

3.4 Sensing Circuit

The sensing circuits are on the left half of Figure 14. The output sense circuits measure motor winding voltages and currents. The winding voltage zero crossings are detected and input to the DSP as comparator output waveforms, and the currents are measured as scaled analog voltage. These voltages are input to an Analog Devices AD7811 ADC. The ADC outputs are sent to the serial port 0 (SPORT0) input of the DSP. The SPORT0 output simultaneously sets the channel for the next A/D sample acquisition.

3.4.1 Zero-Crossing Detection

The first step in the development of a sensorless motor control is the detection of the motor back emf. The back emf is created when the motor's rotor turns, which creates an electrical kickback or emf that is sensed as a voltage through the resistor. The amplitude of the emf signal increase with the speed of the rotation. The back emf voltage produces a sine waveform that is sensed and converted to a digital square wave by a zero-crossing circuit. The comparator signal is input to the DSP, which calculates the commutation sequence and motor position from the phase relationship of the square wave representation of the back emf signals.

A limitation of the back emf method is that the amplitude of the signal is very small at low shaft speed. So for that reason the back emf signal is amplified before comparing it with a fixed reference. The back emf measured from the winding is noisy and small in amplitude. So first it is filtered and amplified by U22:A. Low pass filtering helps to restrict the bandwidth to frequencies close to the frequency of the signal being measured [8]. This technique is well suited for signals that are expected to have small deviations

about a nominal fixed frequency. It is also well suited for signals corrupted by harmonics or other periodic signals that are sufficiently distinguishable from the motor winding voltage. The motor winding voltage is now compare with fixed reference voltage V_R by the U23:B comparator. The motor back emf voltage and zero crossing comparator output are shown in Figure 16.

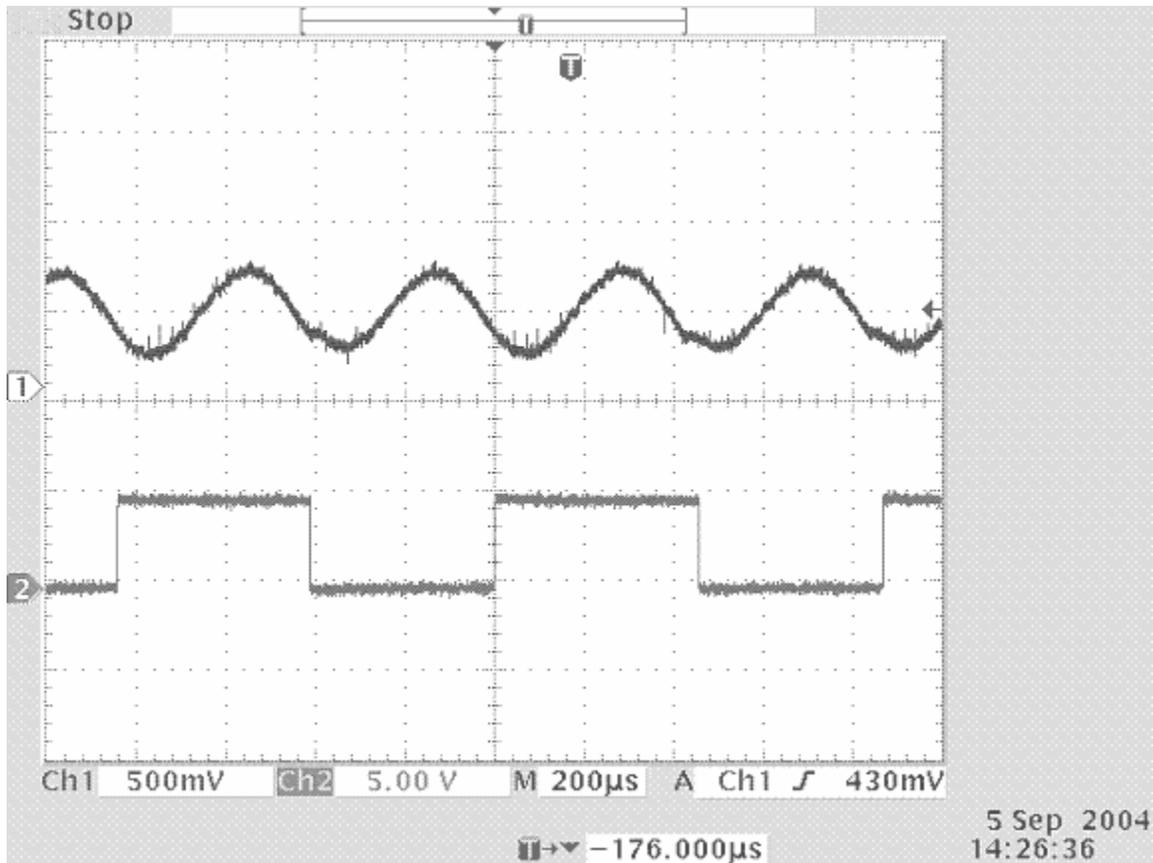


Figure 16. Back emf voltage and zero crossing comparator

3.4.2 Position Sensor

A quadrature encoder is used to provide the speed, direction and shaft position of a rotating motor [9]. A simplified block diagram of an optical quadrature encoder is shown

in Figure 17. The typical quadrature encoder is packaged inside the motor assembly and provides three logic-level signals.

A quadrature encoder generates two signals that are electrically 90 degrees out of phase with each other. The term quadrature refers to this 90 degrees phase relationship. Motor speed is determined by the frequency of the Channel A and B signals. The phase relationship between Channel A and B can be used to determine if the motor is turning in either the forward or reverse direction. The index signal provides the position of the motor. A single pulse is generated for every 360 degrees of the shaft rotation.

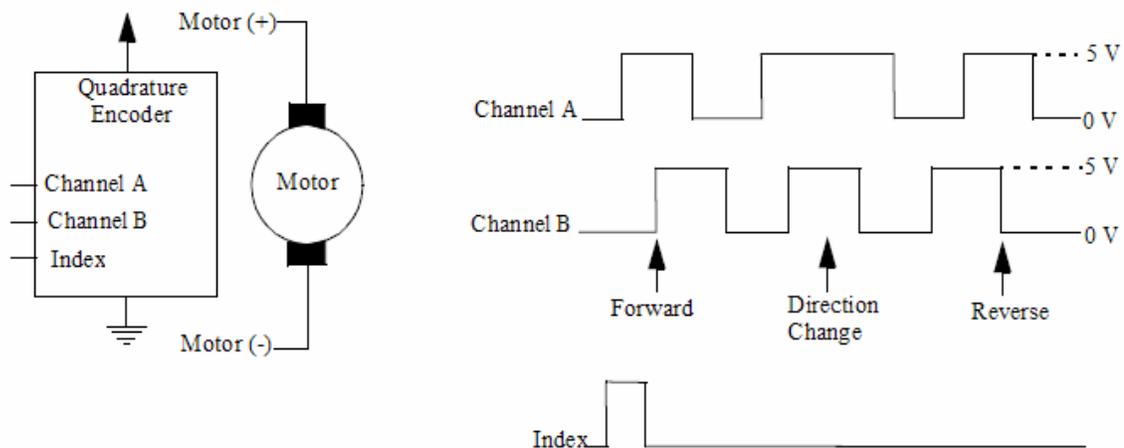


Figure 17. Position Sensor

3.4.3 Current Sensing

Shunt resistors are a popular current-sensing device because of their low cost and good accuracy. The current flowing through the resistor will be proportional to the voltage drop across it. Measuring the voltage drop across it gives an indication of the current flow in the motor. This resistor is small in magnitude, making as little impact on the circuit as possible; if it is too high in value it will eat up a considerable amount of power.

Shunt resistors can provide either high-side or low-side measurements of the current flowing through the motor. A high-side monitor has the resistor connected in series with the power source, while a low-side monitor locates the resistor between the load and the ground current return path. The SMC3 uses the low-side measurement method. Low-side current measurement offers the advantage that the circuitry can be implemented with a low voltage op-amp because the measurement is referenced to ground. A simplified version of the current measurement used in the SMC3 is shown in Figure 18.

$$V_{IA} = (V_{\text{sense}}) * (1 + 2000/220)$$

$$V_{IA} = I_A * 0.1 * 14.3$$

$$V_{IA} = I_A * 1.43$$

So the scaling for the current measured as a scaled analog voltage is 1.43.

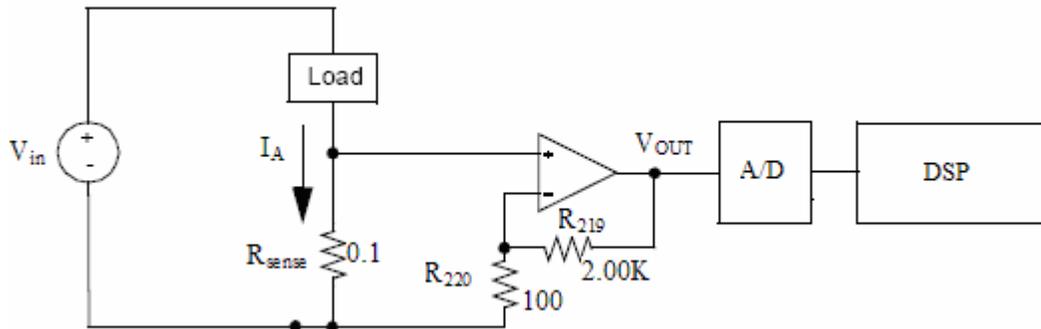


Figure 18. Current Sensing Circuit

3.5 Speed Input

The DSP and speed input circuit is shown in Figure 19. The potentiometer input can be varied between -10 V to +10 V. The input range of the A/D converter is 0 V to 5 V. In order to make the potentiometer input compatible with the A/D converter, a differential amplifier (LM324) with a feedback resistance of 6.8 kΩ is used.

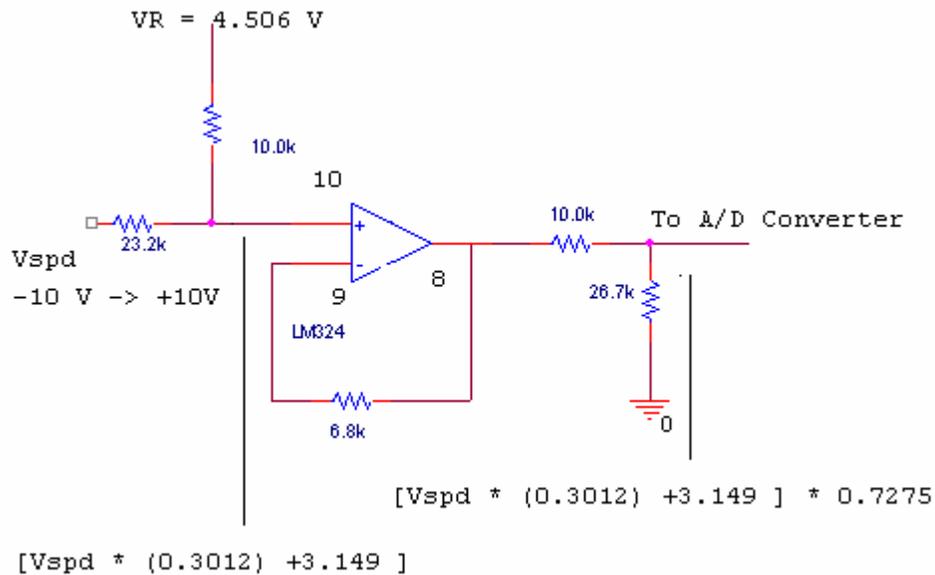


Figure 20. Speed Command Interface

As seen from Figure 20 the input available at pin number 10 of the differential amplifier is $[(10/10+23.2)*V_{spd}+3.149] = [(0.3012)*V_{spd}+3.149]$. This input voltage is buffer by a differential amplifier. Before applying this voltage to the A/D converter, a voltage divider circuit with a resistance of 10 kΩ and 26.7 kΩ is used. So input of A/D converter (X) is given by

$$X = [V_{spd}*(0.3012)+3.149]*(26.7/(26.7+10)) \quad (3.5.1)$$

Output of the A/D converter (W) is

$$W = [V_{spd}*(0.3012)+3.149]*(0.7275)*(1024/4.506)$$

$$W = [(49.8 * V_{spd}) + 520.6] \quad (3.5.2)$$

The potentiometer input and corresponding ADC count for different input values is given in Table 2.

Potentiometer Input	LM324 Input $V_{spd} * (0.3012) + 3.149$	AD7811 Input $[V_{spd} * (0.3012) + 3.149] * (0.7275)$	ADC Count	Ideal Count
+ 10 V	6.161 V	4.482V	1019	1023
0 V	3.149 V	2.291 V	521	512
-10 V	0.137V	30.9 mV	7	0

Table 2. Potentiometer Input and Corresponding ADC Count

3.5.1 AD7811 A/D Converter

The AD7811(U36) is a four-channel analog to digital converter with a conversion rate of 2.3 μ s. The maximum input voltage is 5 V and the minimum input voltage is 0 V. It is a 10 bit A/D converter, so each bit will represent = $(5 - 0) / 1024 = 4.88$ mV [10]. Channel 0 is connected to the potentiometer input. Channel one and two are connected to the output of the LM358, which is the current measured as a scaled analog voltage of windings A and B respectively. Channel three is connected to the winding supply voltage.

3.5.2 Reference Voltage

A stable reference voltage of 4.506V is required in the SMC3. This reference voltage is

independent of supply voltage variations and shows minimum sensitivity to temperature.

This constant voltage reference is used for the zero crossing detection circuit for the back emf. The input to U35:B (LM324) is 4 V. So the available reference voltage at pin 7 is

$$V_{\text{ref}} = 4 * (1 + 30.1/(100+191))$$

$$V_{\text{ref}} = 4.506\text{V}. \quad (3.5.3)$$

A voltage divider circuit is composed of R311 and R312 to divide the reference voltage by half which is buffered by U35:A (LM324). This voltage is used for setting the maximum current limit in the motor.

3.5.3 External latch

The U34:B and :A form an OR gate that gates U33 onto the DSP external bus for read cycles addressing data memory (/DMS asserted). U33 inputs have been modified to be available at the square-pin connector, as indicated in the photograph of the ECB (Figure 11). Eight bits are available externally from a 74HC373 latch. Pins 1 and 2 are the 5 V supply and ground, and pins 3-8 are D0-D5 of the U33 tri-state 8-bit buffer. Bits D6 and D7 come from the configuration jumpers on the board, for selection of code segments in program boot memory. These eight bits include three encoder bits (two quadrature bits and an absolute position index bit), two phase-winding zero-crossing bits, a stop-command bit that can be asserted with a pushbutton, and two configuration jumpers.

U37 is the DSP reset circuit. It also clocks the PWM flip-flops 74HC74 (U15) at reset to low outputs (no drive). U32 is a 27128 EPROM containing the program code for the DSP. At reset, the DSP boots in the program code and then proceeds to execute it. Multiple programs can be selected and loaded from EPROM to the ADSP-2101.

3.6 ADSP-2101

The ADSP-2101 processor (U31) is a single-chip microcomputer optimized for digital signal processing (DSP) and other high-speed numeric processing applications. The processor combines the core DSP architecture - computation units, data address generators, and program sequencer - with differentiating features such as on-chip program and data memory RAM, a programmable timer and two serial ports. One reason for choosing the ADSP21XX series of DSPs is that a 2-chip solution is possible because of the single-EPROM bootstrapping. (TI does not provide this feature.) Figure 21 shows a system for the ADSP-2101 with two serial I/O devices, a boot EPROM, and optional external program and data memory. A total of 15 K words of data memory and 16 K words of program memory is addressable [11].

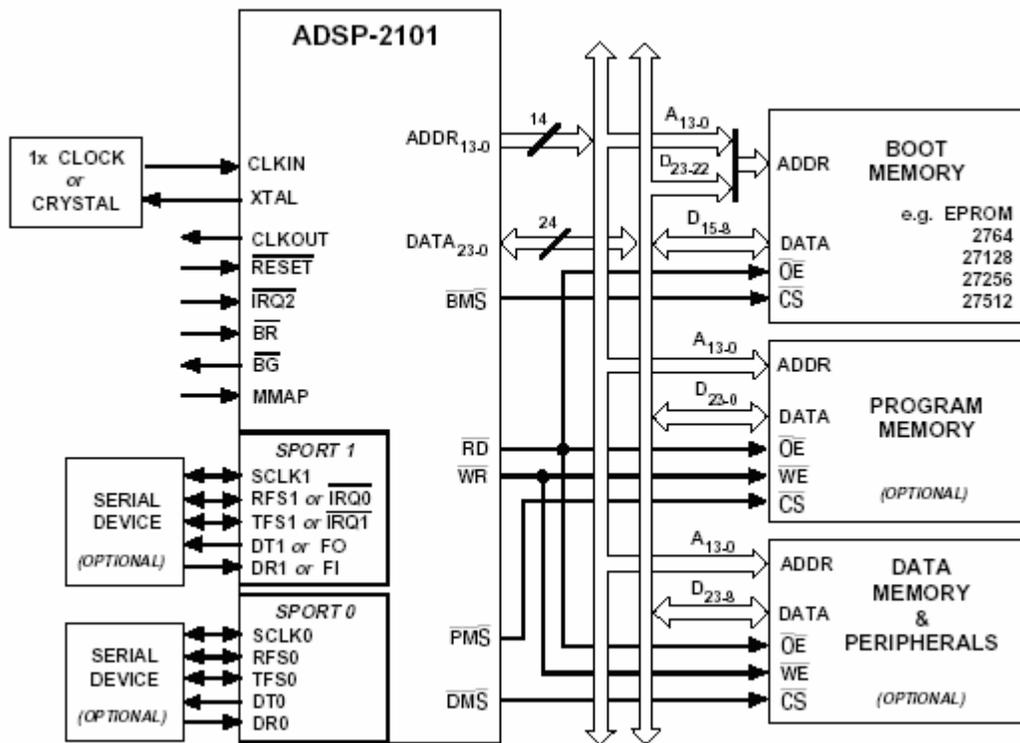


Figure 21. ADSP-2101 System

Figure 22 shows a block diagram of the ADSP-2101 architecture. The processors contain three independent computational units: the ALU, the multiplier/accumulator (MAC), and the shifter. The computational units process 16-bit data directly and have provisions to support multiprecision computations. The ALU performs a standard set of arithmetic and logic operations; division primitives are also supported. The MAC performs single-cycle multiply, multiply/add, and multiply/subtract operations. The shifter performs logical and arithmetic shifts, normalizations, demormalization, and derive exponent operations. The shifter can be used to efficiently implement numeric format control including multiword floating-point representations.

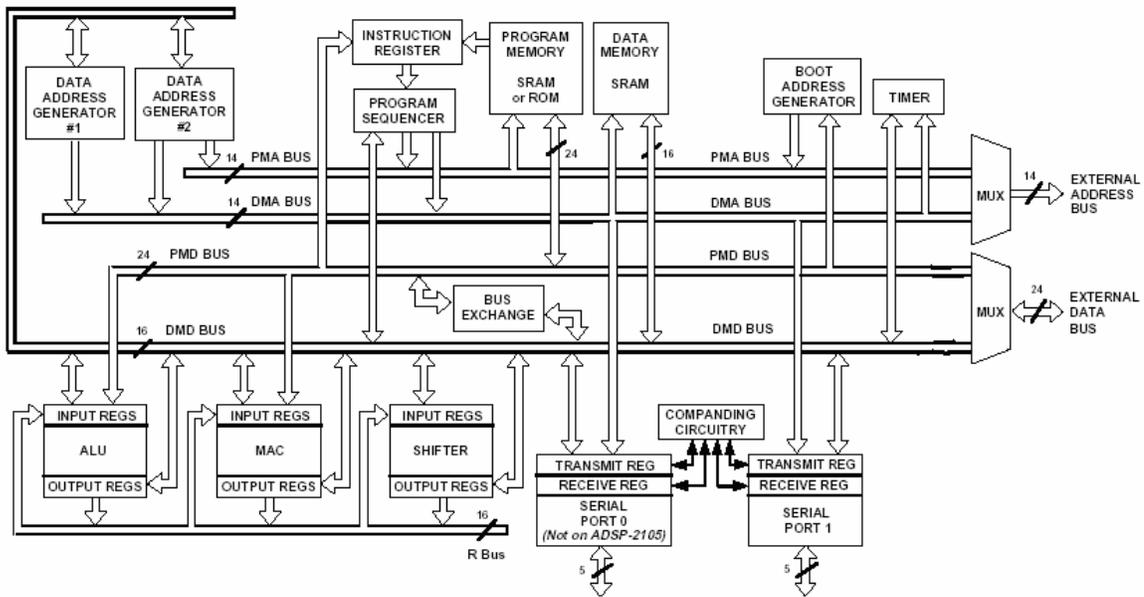


Figure 22. ADSP-2101 Block Diagram

3.6.1 Data Transfer

The internal result (R) bus directly connects the computational units so that the output of any unit may be used as the input of any unit on the next cycle. A powerful program sequencer and two dedicated data address generators ensure efficient use of these

computational units. Two data address generators (DAGs) provide addresses for simultaneous dual operand fetches. Each DAG maintains and updates four address pointers. The circular buffering feature is also used by the serial ports for automatic data transfer to on-chip memory.

Efficient data transfer is achieved with the use of five internal buses:

- Program Memory Address (PMA) Bus
- Program Memory Data (PMD) Bus
- Data Memory Address (DMA) Bus
- Data Memory Data (DMD) Bus
- Result (R) Bus

The two address buses (PMA, DMA) share a single external address bus, allowing memory to be expanded off-chip, and the two data buses (PMD, DMD) share a single external data bus. The BMS, DMS, and PMS signals indicate which memory space is using the external buses. The memory interface supports slow memories and memory-mapped peripherals with programmable wait state generations. External devices can gain control of the processor's buses with the use of the bus request/grant signals (BR, BG).

3.6.2 Serial Ports

The ADSP-2101 processor includes synchronous serial ports ("SPORTs") for serial communications and multiprocessor communication. The ADSP-2101 processor has two serial ports (SPORT0, SPORT1). SPORT0 is used to take data in from the A/D converter and SPORT1 is used to transmit PWM data to the PWM generator circuit for windings A and B. A wide variety of framed or frameless data transmit and receive modes of

operation are available on the serial ports. Each SPORT can generate an internal programmable serial clock or accept an external serial clock. The serial clock is generated internally on both serial ports in the SMC3. SPORT0 provides a multichannel interface to selectively receive or transmit a 24-word or 32-word, time-division multiplexed serial bit stream. SPORT0 is used to select one channel from the four-channel A/D converter. Each serial port has a 5-pin interface consisting of the signals given in Table 3. Writing to a SPORT's TX register readies the SPORT for transmission; the TFS signal initiates the transmission of serial data. Once transmission has begun, each value written to the TX register is transferred to the internal transmit shift register and subsequently the bits are sent, MSB first. Each bit is shifted out on the rising edge of SCLK. After the first bit (MSB) of a word has been transferred, the SPORT generates the transmit interrupt. The TX register is now available for the next data word, even though the transmission of the first word is ongoing. In the receiving section, bits accumulate as they are received in an internal receive register. When a complete word has been received, it is written to the RX register and the receive interrupt for that SPORT is generated.

Signal Name	Function
SCLK	Serial Clock (I/O)
RFS	Receive Frame Synchronization (I/O)
TFS	Transmit Frame Synchronization (I/O)
DR	Serial Data Receive
DT	Serial Data Transmit

Table. 3 Interface Signal

3.6.3 Interrupts

The ADSP-2101 processor can respond to several different interrupts. Three external interrupt input pins, IRQ0, IRQ1, and IRQ2, are available. IRQ2 is always available as a dedicated pin; IRQ1 and IRQ0 may be alternately configured as part of Serial Port 1. The ADSP-2101 also supports internal interrupts from the timer, and the serial ports. The interrupts are internally prioritized and individually maskable (except for RESET which is non-maskable). The IRQx input pins can be programmed for either level- or edge-sensitivity. In the SMC3 the IRQx input pins are programmed for edge sensitivity. The ADSP-2101 processor can provide either: one external interrupt (IRQ2) and two serial ports (SPORT0, SPORT1), or three external interrupts (IRQ0, IRQ1, IRQ2) and one serial port (SPORT0). In the SMC3 IRQ0 and IRQ1 are not used because SPORT1 is configured as a serial port. IRQ2 is generated from external PWM counter overflow, which occurs every 25.6 μ s. A programmable interval timer can generate periodic interrupts. A 16-bit count register (TCOUNT) is decremented every n cycles, where n-1 is a scaling value stored in an 8-bit register (TSCALE). When the value of the counter register reaches zero, an interrupt is generated and the count register is reloaded from a 16-bit period register (TPERIOD). In the SMC3 TSCALE is fixed to 0 and TPERIOD is fixed to 199. So the timer interrupt comes every 10 μ s.

When an interrupt request occurs, it is latched while the processor finishes executing the current instruction. The interrupt request is then compared with the interrupt mask register (IMASK), by the interrupt controller. If the interrupt is not masked, the program sequencer pushes the current value of the program counter (which contains the address of the next instruction) onto the PC stack. This allows execution to continue, after the

interrupt is serviced, with the next instruction of the main program. The program sequencer also pushes the current values of ASTAT, MSTAT, and IMASK register onto status stack. ASTAT, MSTAT, and IMASK are stored in this order, with the MSB of ASTAT first, and so on. When IMASK is pushed, it is automatically reloaded with a new value that determines whether or not interrupt nesting is allowed. The processor then executes a NOP while simultaneously fetching the instruction located at the interrupt vector address. Upon return from the interrupt service routine, the PC and status stacks are popped and execution resumes with the next instruction of the program.

3.6.4 System Clock

The ADSP-2101 processor's CLKIN input may be driven by a crystal or by a TTL-compatible external clock signal. The CLKIN input may not be halted or changed in frequency during operation, nor operated below the specified low frequency limit. Because the ADSP-2101 processor includes an on-chip oscillator circuit, an external crystal may also be used. In the SMC3 an external crystal is used which is mounted on the ECB bottom side. The crystal is connected across the CLKIN and XTAL pins, with two capacitors connected as shown in Figure 23. A parallel-resonant, fundamental frequency, microprocessor-grade crystal is used.

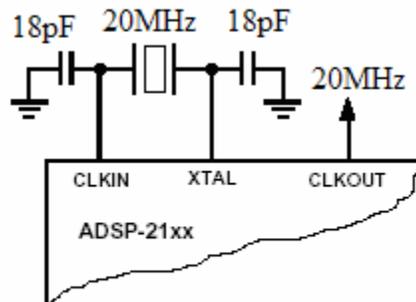


Figure 23. External Crystal Connection for the ADSP-2101

Table 4 shows the pin definitions for the ADSP-2101.

Pin Name(s)	Number of Pins	Input/Output	Function
Address (A0-A13)	14	O	Address output for program, data and boot memory
Data (D0-D23)	24	I/O	Data I/O pins for program and data memories. Input only for boot memory, with two MSBs used for boot memory addresses. Unused data lines may be left floating.
RESET	1	I	Processor Reset Input
IRQ2	1	I	External Interrupt Request
BR2	1	I	External Bus Request Input
BG	1	O	External Bus Grant Output
PMS	1	O	External Program Memory Select
DMS	1	O	External Data Memory Select
BMS	1	O	Boot Memory Select
RD	1	O	External Memory Read Enable
WR	1	O	External Memory Write Enable
MMAP	1	I	Memory Map Select Input
CLKIN, XTAL	1	I	External Clock or Quartz Crystal Input
CLKOUT	1	O	Processor Clock Output

VDD			Power Clock Output
GND			Ground Pins
SPORT0	5	I/O	Serial Port 0 Pins (TFS0, RFS0, DT0, DR0, SCLK0)
SPORT1	5	I/O	Serial Port 1 Pins (TFS1, RFS1, DT1, DR1, SCLK1)
Or Interrupt & Flags:			
IRQ0 (RFS1)	1	I	External Interrupt Request
IRQ1 (TFS1)	1	I	External Interrupt Request
FI (DR1)	1	I	Flag Input Pin
FO (DT1)	3	O	Flag Output Pin

Table 4. ADSP-2101 Pin Definitions

CHAPTER IV

CURRENT CONTROL IN STEP MOTORS

Sensorless motor control obtains the speed and position of the motor directly from the voltage of the motor winding. If the sources across motor windings appear as voltage sources, then the sensed winding voltage is just the output of H-bridge, not the induced voltage. If the winding current is controlled then the sources driving the motor windings appear as current sources rather than voltages sources, which allows sensing of the motor induced voltages across the windings to obtain their zero-crossings for sensorless motor control. In this chapter the transfer function of the step motor is derived and various motor parameters are calculated. This information is used to simulate the SMC3 system using Matlab Simulink to find proper the tuning parameters of a PID controller for current control, and simulation results are compared with experimental results.

4.1 Motor Equivalent Circuit

When the motor rotates, the rotor rotates in the stator magnetic field. The induced emf appears across the rotor terminal as an internally generated voltage E_b . Therefore, the equivalent electrical circuit of the motor is the impedance at stall, connected in series to a voltage source, E_b . The motor resistance is represented as R and motor inductance as L [12]. This equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 24.

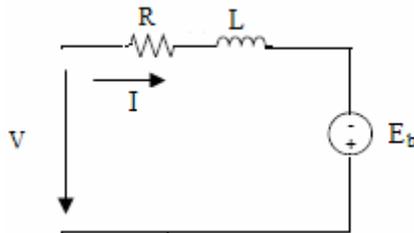


Figure 24. Per Phase Equivalent Circuit

So according to Kirchoff's voltage law, the motor voltage is given by,

$$V = L \frac{dI}{dt} + RI + E_b \quad (4.1.1)$$

The motor back emf E_b is proportional to the motor velocity ω . The voltage constant is represented as K_E . It is an important motor characteristic since it will determine the speed of the motor at given value of applied voltage.

$$E_b = K_E \omega \quad (4.1.2)$$

The above two equations can be combined into the following equation.

$$V = L \frac{dI}{dt} + RI + K_E \omega \quad (4.1.3)$$

Since the magnetic field in the motor is constant, the current produces a proportional torque

$$T = K_T I \quad (4.1.4)$$

The constant friction torque can be represent as T_f and the viscous friction torque which is proportional to the velocity can be represent as $D\omega$. The opposing torque in the motor, T_m , is given by

$$T_m = T_f + D\omega \quad (4.1.5)$$

If motor is coupled to a load, the relation between torque and velocity is given by

$$T = (j_m + j_L) \frac{d\omega}{dt} + D\omega + T_f + T_L \quad (4.1.6)$$

where j_L represent the load moment of inertia, j_m represent the rotor moment of inertia, and T_L represent the load opposing torque.

The above equation is the dynamic equation of the motor, and it describes the relation between the electrical and mechanical variables.

4.1.1 Motor Transfer Function

When the motor is used as a component in a system, it is desired to describe it by the appropriate transfer function between the motor voltage and its velocity. For this purpose assume $T_L=0$ and $T_f=0$, since neither affects the transfer function. If we now apply a Laplace transformation to the motor equations, we get:

$$V(s) = (sL + R)I(s) + K_E \omega(s) \quad (4.1.7)$$

$$T(s) = K_T I(s) \quad (4.1.8)$$

$$T(s) = (j_m + j_L) s\omega(s) + D\omega(s) \quad (4.1.9)$$

The total moment of inertia J is given by

$$J = j_m + j_L \quad (4.1.10)$$

By using equation (4.2.2) and (4.2.3) we obtain an expression for the current:

$$I(s) = \left(\frac{1}{K_T} \right) (sJ + D)\omega(s) \quad (4.1.11)$$

Combine Equation (4.1.11) and Equation (4.1.7) to form

$$V(s) = \frac{1}{K_T} (sL + R)(sJ + D)\omega(s) + K_E\omega(s) \quad (4.1.12)$$

The corresponding transfer function is

$$G_m(s) = \frac{\omega(s)}{V(s)} \quad (4.1.13)$$

$$= \frac{K_T}{(sL + R)(sJ + D) + K_E K_T} \quad (4.1.14)$$

The motor impedance is given by;

$$Z(s) = \frac{V(s)}{I(s)} = \frac{(sL + R)(sJ + D)\omega(s) + K_E K_T}{(sJ + D)\omega(s)} \quad (4.1.15)$$

The torque constant is always related to the voltage constant in the following way:

$$K_T = K_E \left[\frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{A}} \right] \quad (4.1.16)$$

By using proper units for the torque constant, the motor impedance is given by

$$Z(s) = \frac{V(s)}{I(s)} = \frac{(sL + R)(sJ + D)\omega(s) + K_T^2}{(sJ + D)\omega(s)} \quad (4.1.17)$$

4.1.2 Torque Constant

The torque constant is measured by operating the motor as a generator at a constant velocity [13]. The torque constant is given by the following relationship

$$K_T = \left(\frac{\text{induced voltage}}{\text{mechanical speed}} \right) \quad (\text{volt/rad/sec}) \quad (4.1.18)$$

$$= \left(\frac{\text{induced voltage}}{2 * 3.14 * \text{mechanical frequency}} \right)$$

$$\text{mechanical frequency} = \left(\frac{2}{p} \right) * (\text{electrical frequency})$$

where p is number of poles in motor.

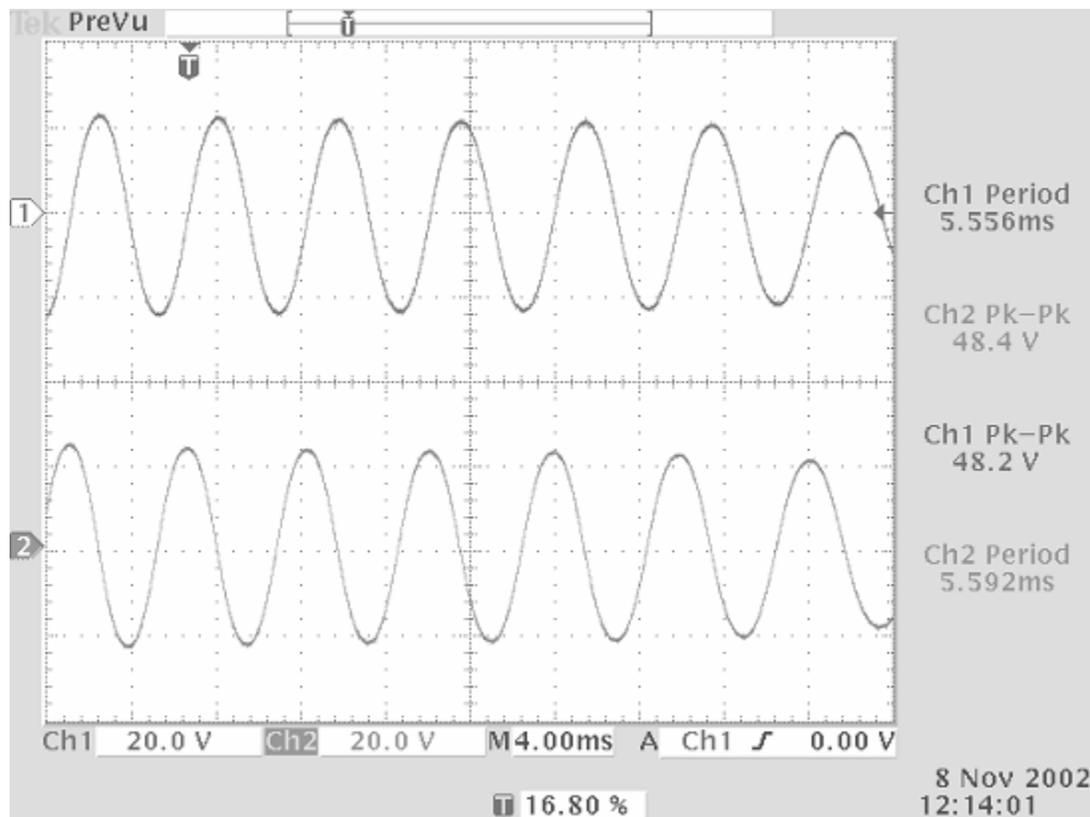


Figure 25. Winding Back-emf Voltage

The induced voltages (back-emfs) for both windings A and B while running the SMC3 motor as a generator is shown in Figure 25. From the waveform shown in Figure 25,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mechanical frequency} &= \left(\frac{2}{100}\right) * \left(\frac{1}{0.00574}\right) \\ &= 3.484 \end{aligned}$$

So torque constant for SMC3 motor is obtained as

$$K_T = \left(\frac{24.1}{(2 * 3.14 * 3.484)}\right)$$

$$K_T = 1.01 \left[\frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{A}} \right] \quad (4.1.19)$$

4.1.3 PID Controller

The PID controller looks at the current value of the error, the integral of the error over a recent time interval, and the current derivative of the error signal, to determine how much of a correction to apply and for how long. Each of those three quantities are multiplied by a tuning constant and added together. Thus the PID output $u(t)$ is a weighted sum as explained by following equation.

$$u(t) = K_p e + K_i \int e dt + K_D \frac{de}{dt} \quad (4.1.20)$$

By adjusting the weighting constants K_p , K_i , and K_D , the PID controller can be set to give the desired performance.

As explained so far, continuous time domain and analog variables are considered in PID control. In the SMC3, the PID algorithms have been implemented in DSP. This means that the PID controller operates in discrete time and deals with analog signals quantized to a limited number of levels. To discretise the controller, the integral and derivative terms of the controller have to be approximated. The integral becomes a sum

and the derivative becomes a difference. The continuous time signal $e(t)$ is sampled at a sample period T . Thus discrete PID control can be described by the following equation.

$$U(t) = K_p e(t) + K_I T \sum e(n) + K_D [e(k) - e(k-1)] \quad (4.1.21)$$

4.2 SMC3 Open-Loop Simulink Model

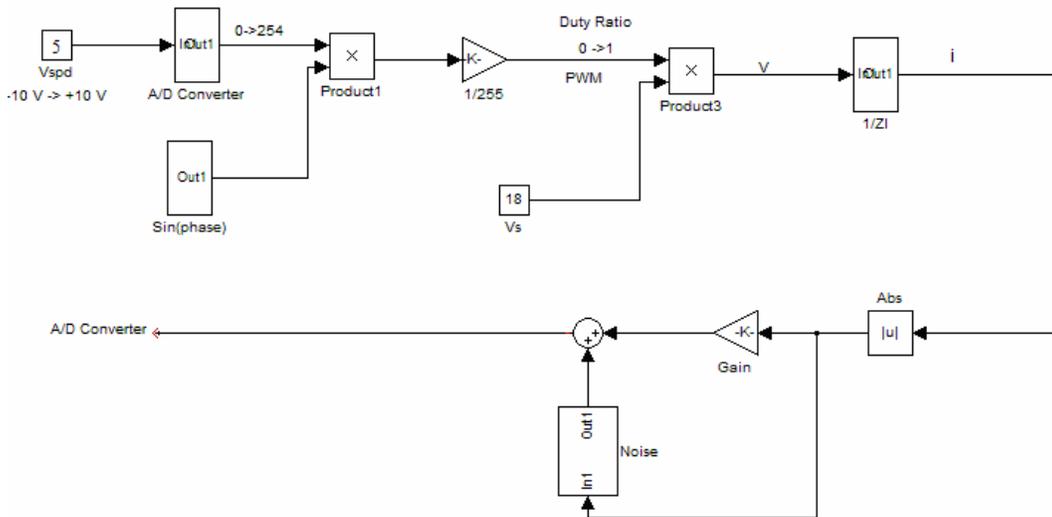


Figure 26. SMC3 Open-Loop Model

The SMC3 open-loop Simulink model is shown in Figure 26 [14]. The potentiometer is used to set the reference quantity (speed or torque). The potentiometer inputs to the DSP. The DSP generates two sinusoidal waveforms with frequencies and amplitudes computed by the DSP. The sine waves are in PWM form as PWM duty ratios. The sine waves are applied to the motor windings through two full H-bridge power drivers (one for each winding). The motor current is measured as a scaled analog voltage which is the output of the LM293 amplifier.

4.2.1 SMC3 Closed-Loop Model

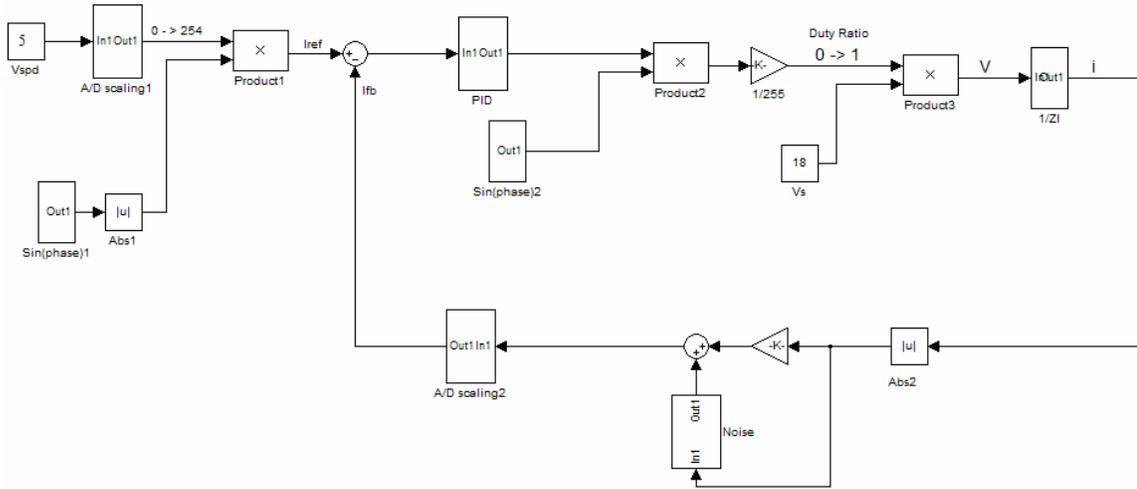


Figure 27. SMC3 Closed-Loop Model

The model shown in Figure 27 is an equivalent hardware configuration for the current controller, which has been implemented in software inside the DSP. In this control method the magnitude of the current flowing into the winding is controlled using a control loop with current feedback. The current in a motor phase winding is directly measured with a current sense resistor connected in series with the phase. The pulse width modulation (fixed frequency of 39.0625 KHz) signals with varying duty cycle is used for current regulation. The current is compared with a desired value of current (potentiometer reference), forming an error signal. The current error is compensated via the PID regulator, and an appropriate control action is taken as shown below

$$I_{\text{error}} = I_{\text{ref}} - I_{\text{fb}} \quad (4.2.1)$$

$$\text{duty_cycle}_{\text{new}} = \text{duty_cycle}_{\text{old}} + K_p (E_k - E_{k-1}) \quad (4.2.2)$$

$$\text{If } \text{duty_cycle}_{\text{new}} \geq \text{max_duty}$$

then $\text{duty_cycle}_{\text{new}} = \text{max_duty}$

If $\text{duty_cycle}_{\text{new}} \leq 0$

then $\text{duty_cycle}_{\text{new}} = 0$

The waveform shown in Figure 28 is the simulated winding current of the motor. The closed-loop model shown in Figure 27 is used to model the SMC3 system and motor winding. The potentiometer (reference) input is set at 5 V.

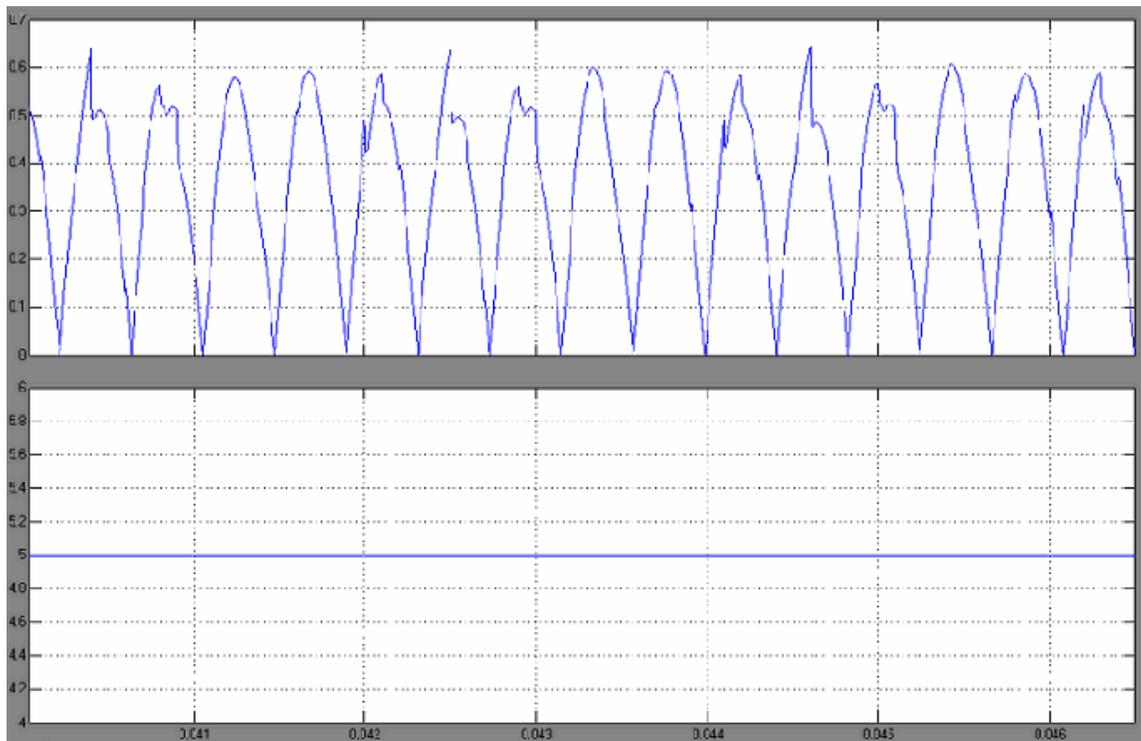


Figure 28. Simulated Winding Current

The waveform shown in Figure 29 is the experimental result of the winding current at 5 V potentiometer (reference) input.

The experimental winding current is quite noisy compare to simulated winding current because of transistors switching. In spite of assumptions made in simulation and in the formation of the equivalent closed loop model, simulation and experimental results are in

close agreement. The average (and peak) values of the winding currents (experimental and simulated) matches reasonably well, which is important in terms of PID controller tuning.

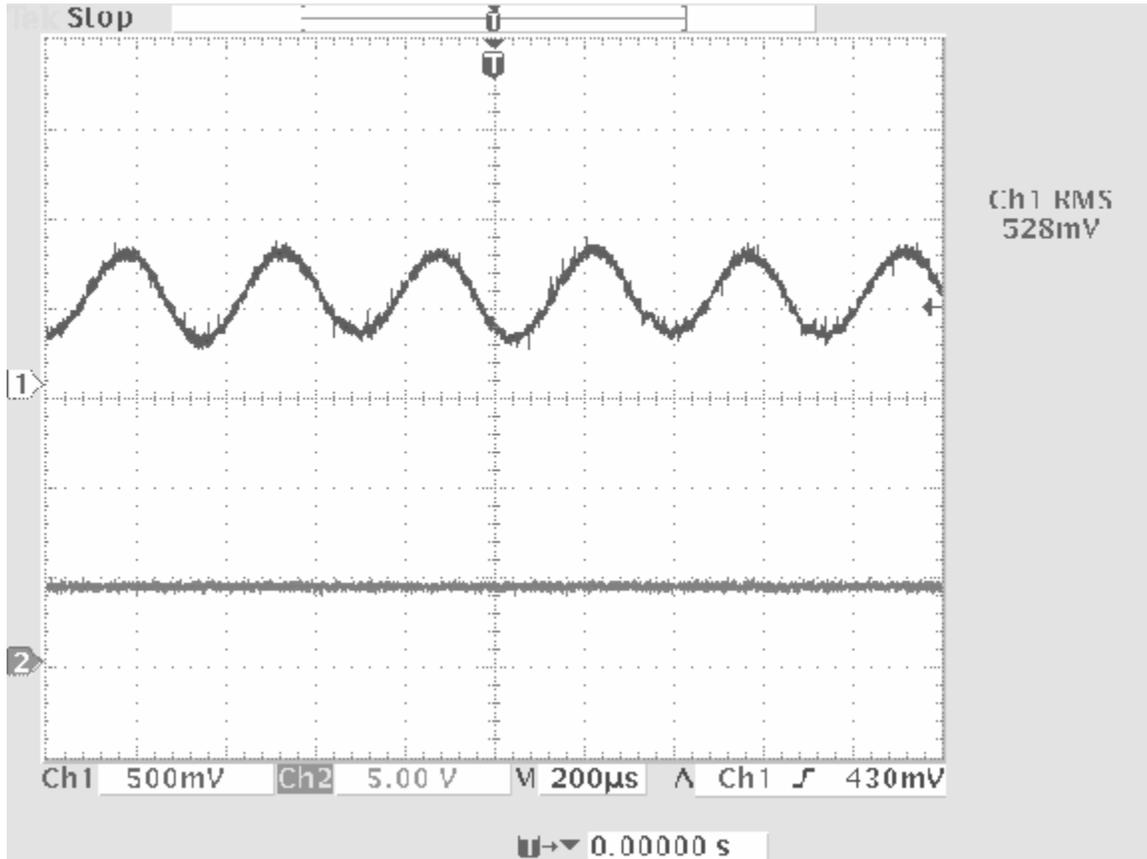


Figure 29. Experimental Winding Current

4.2.2 PID Controller Tuning

Proportional action is typically the main drive in a control loop. The proportional gain, K_p , reduces a large part of the overall error. K_p provides the instantaneous error correction and is independent from the sampling time value. The higher the K_p , the lower will be the error and the better will be the dynamic response. Taking a very high value for K_p will

oscillate the system. Proportional action alone can not reduce the steady-state error. The value of proportional gain of 0.1 provides satisfactory results for SMC3 current control. The dynamic response of the system is fast enough and steady-state error is not that high.

Integral action reduces the final error in a system. Summing even a small error over time produces a drive signal large enough to move the system towards a smaller error. The higher the integral gain K_I , the faster will be the error cancellation and the better will be the dynamic response. The SMC3 system is not using integral control. Adding integral control will reduce steady-state error but at same time will increase the response time of the system.

Derivative action speeds up the system response by adding in control action proportional to the rate of change of feedback error. Consequently this is susceptible to noise in the error signal, which limits derivative gain. The SMC3 system is not using derivative action.

CHAPTER V

SENSORLESS STEP MOTOR CONTROL

The sensed winding current is quite noisy because of the switching transistors. So better current estimation can be obtained by using a Kalman filter. In order to implement sensorless step motor control it is necessary to know the position of the rotor. The DSP can compute rotor position using sophisticated rotor-position estimation algorithms, such as a Kalman filter that extracts estimates of the rotor position from measurements of the motor voltage and current [15-16]. This estimator relies on the real time implementation of a sufficiently accurate model of the motor in the DSP. This chapter describes in brief the Kalman filter and its application for sensorless control of the SMC3 system.

5.1 Kalman Filter

The Kalman filter was developed by R.E. Kalman in 1960 [17]. Due to advances in the development of digital computing, the Kalman filter is a subject of extensive research and application. Kalman filtering has been applied in the areas of aerospace, navigation, manufacturing, and many others.

The Kalman filter provides a means for inferring missing information from indirect (and noisy) measurements. It provides the optimal (minimum variance) state estimate when the dynamic system is linear and the statistical characteristics of the various noise elements are known [18]. The system can be described with following equation.

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu + Bw \quad (\text{System}) \quad (5.1.1)$$

$$y = Cx + Dv \quad (\text{Measurement}) \quad (5.1.2)$$

where x is the state, y is the measurement, u is the control input, and w and v are the system and measurement noise. The measurement vector could be a function of the control as well as the state. The assumptions regarding the noises are that these noises are stationary, white, uncorrelated, and their expectation is zero. The definition of the covariance matrices of these noises is:

$$\text{cov}(w) = E\{ww^T\} = Q \quad (5.1.3)$$

$$\text{cov}(v) = E\{vv^T\} = R \quad (5.1.4)$$

where $E\{.\}$ denotes expected value.

The overall structure of the Kalman filter leads to the system equation:

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = (A - KC)\hat{x} + Bu + Ky \quad (5.1.5)$$

where K denotes the Kalman gain matrix. The setting of the matrix K depends on the covariance of the noises.

The quality of measurement or the goodness of the observation is given by;

$$H = \min E \left\{ \int (x - \hat{x})^T (x - \hat{x}) dt \right\} \quad (5.1.6)$$

H can be minimized by choosing K as;

$$K = PC^T R^{-1} \quad (5.1.7)$$

where P can be calculated from the solution of the following equation:

$$PC^T R^{-1} CP - AP - PA^T - Q = 0 \quad (5.1.8)$$

Q and R have to be set up based on the stochastic properties of the corresponding noises.

Since these are usually not known, they are used as weight matrices in most cases.

5.1.1 Discrete-Time Kalman filter

The discrete-time linear system can be modeled as;

$$x_k = A_{k-1}x_{k-1} + Bu_{k-1} + w_{k-1} \quad (5.1.9)$$

The measurement equation can be modeled as;

$$y_k = C_k x_k + v_k \quad (5.1.10)$$

where k is the time index.

The system noise is white and zero-mean:

$$E(w_k) = 0 \quad (5.1.11)$$

$$E(w_k w_k^T) = Q_k \quad (5.1.12)$$

$$E(w_k w_j^T) = 0 \quad (k \neq j) \quad (5.1.13)$$

The measurement noise is white, zero-mean, and uncorrelated with the system noise:

$$E(v_k) = 0 \quad (5.1.14)$$

$$E(v_k v_k^T) = R_k \quad (5.1.15)$$

$$E(v_k v_j^T) = 0 \quad (k \neq j) \quad (5.1.16)$$

$$E(v_k w_j^T) = 0 \quad (5.1.17)$$

The discrete-time Kalman filter recursive generation can be expressed in five equations:

- (1) State Estimate Extrapolation (Propagation)
- (2) Covariance Estimate Extrapolation (Propagation)
- (3) Filter Gain Computation

(4) State Estimate Update

(5) Covariance Estimate Update

The discrete-time Kalman filter can be implemented as follows:

State estimate extrapolation:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k/k-1} = \mathbf{A}_{k-1} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1} + \mathbf{B}_{k-1} \mathbf{u}_{k-1} \quad (5.1.18)$$

Covariance estimate extrapolation:

$$\mathbf{P}_{k/k-1} = \mathbf{A}_{k-1} \mathbf{P}_{k-1/k-1} \mathbf{A}_{k-1}^T + \mathbf{B}_{k-1} \mathbf{Q}_{k-1} \mathbf{B}_{k-1}^T \quad (5.1.19)$$

Kalman filter gain:

$$\mathbf{K}_k = \mathbf{P}_{k/k-1} \mathbf{C}_{k-1}^T [\mathbf{C}_{k-1} \mathbf{P}_{k/k-1} \mathbf{C}_{k-1}^T + \mathbf{R}_k]^{-1} \quad (5.1.20)$$

State estimate update:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k/k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k [y_k - \mathbf{C}_{k-1} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k/k-1}] \quad (5.1.21)$$

Covariance estimate update:

$$\mathbf{P}_{k/k} = [\mathbf{P}_{k/k-1}^{-1} + \mathbf{C}_{k-1}^T \mathbf{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{k-1}]^{-1} \quad (5.1.22)$$

The $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k/k-1}$ denotes the state estimate that results from the propagation equation alone,

$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1}$ is the correlated state estimate that accounts for the measurements and $\mathbf{P}_{k/k-1}$ and \mathbf{P}_k

are defined similarly.

5.1.2 Extended Kalman Filter (EKF)

The extended Kalman filter is used if the process to be estimated or the measurement relationship to the process is non-linear. The extended Kalman filter retains the linear calculation of the covariance and the Kalman gain matrices, and it updates the state estimate using a linear function of a filter residual using original nonlinear equations for

state propagation and definition of the output vector. The extended Kalman filter linearizes about the current mean and covariance.

Assuming the system has a state vector x and the system is governed by the non-linear difference equation

$$x_k = f(x_{k-1}, u_{k-1}, w_{k-1}) \quad (5.1.23)$$

with the measurement y which is

$$y_k = h(x_k, v_k) \quad (5.1.24)$$

In practice, it is not possible to know the value of the process noise w_{k-1} and measurement noise v_{k-1} at each time step and we can still estimate the state without them as

$$\hat{x}_k = f(\hat{x}_{k-1}, u_{k-1}, 0)$$

$$\hat{y}_k = h(\hat{x}_{k-1}, 0)$$

The extend Kalman filter can be expressed as;

State estimate extrapolation:

$$\hat{x}_{k/k-1} = f(\hat{x}_{k-1}, u_{k-1}, 0) \quad (5.1.25)$$

$$f(\hat{x}_{k-1}, u_{k-1}, 0) = A_{k-1} \hat{x}_{k-1} + B_{k-1} u_{k-1} \quad (5.1.26)$$

Covariance estimate extrapolation:

$$P_{k/k-1} = \left. \frac{\partial f^T}{\partial x} \right|_{\hat{x}=\hat{x}_{k-1/k-1}} P_{k-1} \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{\hat{x}=\hat{x}_{k-1/k-1}} + Q \quad (5.1.27)$$

where Q represents the system noise covariance matrix and it is defined as

$$Q = E(w_k w_k^T)$$

Kalman filter gain computation:

$$\mathbf{K}_k = \mathbf{P}_{k/k-1} \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^T}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1/k-1}} \left[\left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1/k-1}} \mathbf{P}_{k/k-1} \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^T}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1/k-1}} + \mathbf{R} \right]^{-1} \quad (5.1.28)$$

where \mathbf{R} represents the measurement noise covariance matrix and it is defined as

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{v}_k \mathbf{v}_k^T)$$

State estimate update:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k/k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k (\hat{\mathbf{y}}_k - \mathbf{h}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k/k-1}, 0)) \quad (5.1.29)$$

Covariance Estimate update:

$$\mathbf{P}_{k/k} = \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_k \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1/k-1}} \right) \quad (5.1.30)$$

5.2 EKF Implementation for a Step Motor

The extended Kalman filter implementation for a step motor requires three basic steps.

- (1) Continuous step motor model
- (2) Discretization of the step motor model
- (3) Simulation and real time implementation

5.2.1 Continuous Step Motor Model

The SMC3 system can be modeled from the motor equation derived in Section 4.1.1.

$$\left(\frac{d\mathbf{I}_a}{dt} \right) = -\left(\frac{\mathbf{R}}{\mathbf{L}} \right) \mathbf{I}_a - \left(\frac{\mathbf{K}}{\mathbf{L}} \right) \omega + \left(\frac{1}{\mathbf{L}} \right) \mathbf{V} \quad (5.2.1)$$

$$\left(\frac{d\mathbf{I}_b}{dt} \right) = -\left(\frac{\mathbf{R}}{\mathbf{L}} \right) \mathbf{I}_b - \left(\frac{\mathbf{K}}{\mathbf{L}} \right) \omega + \left(\frac{1}{\mathbf{L}} \right) \mathbf{V} \quad (5.2.2)$$

$$\left(\frac{d\omega}{dt}\right) = \left(\frac{K}{J}\right)I_a - \left(\frac{D}{J}\right)\omega \quad (5.2.3)$$

$$\left(\frac{d\theta}{dt}\right) = \omega \quad (5.2.4)$$

The system can be modeled as;

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} I_a \\ I_b \\ \omega \\ \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\left(\frac{R}{L}\right) & 0 & -\left(\frac{K}{L}\right) & \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) \\ 0 & -\left(\frac{R}{L}\right) & -\left(\frac{K}{L}\right) & \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) \\ \left(\frac{K}{J}\right) & 0 & -\left(\frac{D}{J}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_a \\ I_b \\ \omega \\ \theta \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) \\ \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} V \quad (5.2.5)$$

We are measuring current I_a and I_b .

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_a \\ I_b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_a \\ I_b \\ \omega \\ \theta \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.2.6)$$

5.2.2 Discretization of the Step Motor Model

Since the Kalman filter will be implemented in a DSP, we will need a discrete version of the system. From the linear, time-varying differential equation model for a dynamic system given in Equation 5.2.1, the corresponding discrete time model is given by;

$$x_k = A_d x_{k-1} + B_d u_{k-1} \quad (5.2.7)$$

and the corresponding measurement model is given by;

$$y_k = C_d x_{k-1} \quad (5.2.8)$$

The conversion is done by the following approximation;

$$A_d = e^{AT} \approx I + AT \quad (5.2.9)$$

$$\mathbf{B}_d = \int_0^T e^{A\zeta} \mathbf{B} d\zeta = \mathbf{B}T \quad (5.2.10)$$

$$\mathbf{C}_d = \mathbf{C} \quad (5.2.11)$$

where the input and output matrices of the continuous system are \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} , and \mathbf{C} and those of the discrete system are \mathbf{A}_d , \mathbf{B}_d , and \mathbf{C}_d . We are assuming that the step-time T is very small compared to the system dynamics. The discrete model of the step motor is given as;

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_a \\ \mathbf{I}_b \\ \omega \\ \theta \end{bmatrix}_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} \left(1 - T \frac{R}{L}\right) & 0 & \left(-T \frac{K}{L}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & \left(1 - T \frac{R}{L}\right) & \left(-T \frac{K}{L}\right) & 0 \\ \left(T \frac{K}{J}\right) & 0 & \left(1 - T \frac{D}{J}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & T & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{k+1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_a \\ \mathbf{I}_b \\ \omega \\ \theta \end{bmatrix}_k + \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{T}{L}\right) \\ \left(\frac{T}{L}\right) \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{V} \quad (5.2.12)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_a \\ \mathbf{I}_b \end{bmatrix}_k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_a \\ \mathbf{I}_b \\ \omega \\ \theta \end{bmatrix}_k \quad (5.2.13)$$

5.2.3 Simulation and Real-Time Implementation

The filter equation and matrix calculation for the extended Kalman filter implementation can be obtained as follows:

(1) State Estimate Extrapolation:

State estimate extrapolation uses the dynamic system model to propagate the estimate of the state mean value to the next sampling instant without regard to new measurements.

The non-linear dynamic step motor system is represented as

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k/k-1} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_{k-1}, \mathbf{u}_{k-1}, 0) \quad (5.2.14)$$

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_{k-1}, \mathbf{u}_{k-1}, 0) = \mathbf{A}_{k-1} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1} + \mathbf{B}_{k-1} \mathbf{u}_{k-1}$$

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} \left(1 - T \frac{R}{L}\right) I_a - T \left(\frac{K}{L}\right) \omega + T \left(\frac{V}{L}\right) \\ \left(1 - T \frac{R}{L}\right) I_b - T \left(\frac{K}{L}\right) \omega + T \left(\frac{V}{L}\right) \\ T \left(\frac{K}{J}\right) I_a + \left(1 - T \frac{D}{J}\right) \omega \\ T \omega + \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

As mentioned before, the ADC has four channels. Channel-2 and Channel-3 are used to measure winding currents I_a and I_b as scaled analog voltages. The motor supply voltage V is measured by Channel-4 and each channel is sampled at $102.6 \mu s$.

(2) Covariance Estimate Extrapolation:

Covariance estimate extrapolation also uses the dynamic system model to propagate the covariance estimate matrix with reference to the known system noise covariance.

$$P_{k/k-1} = \left. \frac{\partial f^T}{\partial x} \right|_{\hat{x}=\hat{x}_{k-1/k-1}} P_{k-1} \left. \frac{\partial f^T}{\partial x} \right|_{\hat{x}=\hat{x}_{k-1/k-1}} + Q \quad (5.2.15)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} \left(1 - T \frac{R}{L}\right) & 0 & -T \left(\frac{K}{L}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & -\left(1 - T \frac{R}{L}\right) & -T \left(\frac{K}{L}\right) & 0 \\ T \left(\frac{K}{J}\right) & 0 & \left(1 - T \frac{D}{J}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The system noise covariance matrix Q has the dimensions $[4*4]$ and the measurement noise covariance matrix R has the dimensions $[2*2]$. If we assume components of the system noise to be uncorrelated with each other, Q would be a diagonal matrix, and we would only need to know four elements of the matrix. Similarly, if we assume the measurement noise covariance matrix R to be uncorrelated with each other, R would also

be a diagonal matrix. The winding currents I_a and I_b have the same noise characteristics.

The system and measurement noise covariance matrices will be;

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} q_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & q_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & q_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & q_{44} \end{bmatrix} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & r_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

(3) Kalman filter gain computation:

The Kalman filter gain computation is done by weighting the prior knowledge of the measurement noise with the state estimate covariance. The actual measurements have no effect on the gain computation.

$$K_k = P_{k/k-1} \left. \frac{\partial h^T}{\partial x} \right|_{\hat{x}=\hat{x}_{k-1/k-1}} \left[\left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right|_{\hat{x}=\hat{x}_{k-1/k-1}} P_{k/k-1} \left. \frac{\partial h^T}{\partial x} \right|_{\hat{x}=\hat{x}_{k-1/k-1}} + R \right]^{-1} \quad (5.2.16)$$

$$h = Cx = \begin{bmatrix} I_a \\ I_b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(4) State estimate update:

The state estimate update is done by adding the product of the gain matrix and the measurement residual to the state estimate propagation. The measurement vector is represented as

$$\hat{y}_k = h(\hat{x}_{k-1}, 0)$$

The state estimation at time k is given as;

$$\hat{x}_k = \hat{x}_{k/k-1} + K_k (\hat{y}_k - h(\hat{x}_{k/k-1}, 0)) \quad (5.2.17)$$

(5) Covariance estimate update:

A similar correction is made to the covariance estimate, accounting for the known covariance measurement noise.

$$\mathbf{P}_{k/k} = \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_k \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \bigg|_{\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1/k-1}} \right) \mathbf{P}_{k/k-1} \quad (5.2.18)$$

The necessary filter equations for EKF are derived in this chapter. The next step would be the implementation of the SMC3 model with the EKF in Matlab/Simulink. The EKF would be implemented in a Matlab file which would be inserted as an S-function in Simulink. Then the filter can be tuned to obtain the proper values for the system noise covariance \mathbf{Q} and measurement noise covariance \mathbf{R} . Once \mathbf{Q} and \mathbf{R} are known, the EKF can be implemented in a DSP for real time step motor sensorless control.

CHAPTER VI

CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE RESEARCH

This thesis makes two primary contributions to the literature. First, it demonstrates how field oriented control can be used in step motors, and provides experimental results showing its implementation. With the current emphasis on energy conservation, the electric drive has to be made more efficient and smoother. The open-loop performance of step motors is limited due to the lack of control of the torque angle of the step motor, while field oriented control adjusts the step motor torque angle to achieve maximum performance of the motor. Field oriented control also eliminates skipped steps and stepping resonance which is a common problem in stepping control. But it is more expensive compared to stepping control in terms of circuit components and complexity in circuit and software design. Driving the step motor using SMC3 drive by stepping mode requires much less powerful micro-processor and software coding is much simpler as it does not require complex field-oriented software routine.

The second contribution of this thesis is that it shows how a Kalman filter can be used to implement sensorless field oriented control of step motors. As explained earlier, the sensed winding current is quite noisy and a Kalman filter provides better winding current

estimation. Sensorless field oriented control of step motors provides a cost effective and more reliable system as it uses less physical components than encoder-based systems.

The next step in SMC3 design is to implement sensorless step motor control. The basic approach on how to implement sensorless step motor control is given in this thesis. The system noise covariance Q and measurement noise covariance R will be tuned so that real time step motor sensorless control can be implemented in DSP. Once sensorless control is implemented, speed control [19] or torque control can be implemented using various advanced control strategies (optimal control [21], fuzzy logic [22], H_∞ control [23], etc.).

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Appendix

APPENDIX A SOFTWARE LISTING

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{*****}

{ SMC3F.DSP }
{ encoder-based closed loop control }
{ automatic phase reference alignment on DSP reset }
{ You can set the variable open_loop=1 to achieve open loop control. }
{ You can set the variable open_loop=0 to achieve closed loop control }
{ using the encoder input. }

.module/RAM/ABS=0 smc3f;

{ Assemble-time constants }
{ ADSP2101 addresses }

.const SPORT1_Autobuf = 0x3fef;
.const SPORT1_RFSDIV = 0x3ff0;
.const SPORT1_SCLKDIV = 0x3ff1;
.const SPORT1_Control_Reg = 0x3ff2;
.const SPORT0_Autobuf = 0x3ff3;
.const SPORT0_RFSDIV = 0x3ff4;
.const SPORT0_SCLKDIV = 0x3ff5;
.const SPORT0_Control_Reg = 0x3ff6;
.const SPORT0_TX_Channels0 = 0x3ff7;
.const SPORT0_TX_Channels1 = 0x3ff8;
.const SPORT0_RX_Channels0 = 0x3ff9;
.const SPORT0_RX_Channels1 = 0x3ffa;
.const TSCALE = 0x3ffb;
.const TCOUNT = 0x3ffc;
.const TPERIOD = 0x3ffd;
.const DM_Wait_Reg = 0x3ffe;
.const System_Control_Reg = 0x3fff;

.const counts_revel = 80; { encoder counts/electrical rev }
    { 1000 lines/rev, 4000 counts/rev }
.const half_counts_revel = counts_revel / 2;
.const fourth_counts_revel = counts_revel / 4; { 1/4 rev counts }
.const phase_scale = 819; { scale phase: 32768/half_counts_revel }
    { 32768/40 = 819.2 => 819 }
.const via_scale = 2;
.const pro_gain = 5;
.const ticks = 10000; { manual z-phase advance every "ticks" timer ints }
.const timebase = 100; { how often to increment phase for open loop control }
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{ Port address }
.const Encoder_In = 0x0000;

{ Data variables/buffers }

.var/dm/ram open_loop; { flag for open loop control }
.init open_loop: 0;

.var/dm/ram ax0_reg; { register storage for interrupts }
.var/dm/ram ay0_reg;
.var/dm/ram ar_reg;
.var/dm/ram ay1_reg;
.var/dm/ram sr0_reg;
.var/dm/ram sr1_reg;
.var/dm/ram ADC_Control_reg;
.var/dm/ram irq2_tick; { irq2 clock }
.init irq2_tick: 0;
.var/dm/ram timer_tick; { timer clock for manual z-phase advance }
.init timer_tick: 0;
.var/dm/ram advance_tick; { open loop control clock }
.init advance_tick: 0;

.var/dm/ram/circ pwm_buf[2]; { PWMB first, then PWMA }
.init pwm_buf: 0x0000, 0x0000;

.var/dm/ram tx1_flag;

.var/dm/ram/circ adc_buf[4]; { Vspd }

.init adc_buf: 900;

.var/dm/ram magnitude; { current magnitude of sin/cos in 1.15 format }
.init magnitude: 0;

.var/dm/ram encoder[2]; { b7-b0: SW1 SW0 VZB VZA /STOP Z B A }
    { latest value at 0 index }
.var/dm/ram encoder_cnt; { signed encoder count }
.init encoder_cnt: 0;
.var/dm/ram encoder_state[8]; { previous, present: B A }
.init encoder_state: 0, -1, 1, 2, 1, 0, 2, -1;

.var/dm/ram phase; { el phase, in encoder counts }
.init phase: 0;
.var/dm/ram Z_phase; { phase offset, in encoder counts }
.init Z_phase: 0;
.var/dm/ram/circ sin_coeff[5]; { signed; used by sine subroutine }

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.init sin_coeff: 0x3240, 0x0053, 0xAACC, 0x08B7, 0x1CCE;

.var/dm/ram angle;    { total angle }
.init angle: 0;
.var/dm/ram last_int; { when the last encoder count occurred }
.init last_int: 0;
.var/dm/ram speed_cnt; { speed control counter }
.init speed_cnt: 0;
.var/dm/ram angle_ref; { speed reference }
.init angle_ref: 0;
.var/dm/ram omega_ref;    { angular velocity reference }
.init omega_ref: 0;
.const speed_ticks = 100; { speed control every speed_ticks interrupts }
.var/dm/ram xhat[2];
.init xhat: 0, 0;
.var/dm/ram RevIter1;
.init RevIter1: 0;
.var/dm/ram RevIter2;
.init RevIter2: 0;
.var/dm/ram angle1;
.init angle1: 0;
.var/dm/ram direction;
.init direction: 0;
.var/dm/ram iteration;
.init iteration: 0;
.var/dm/ram angle_tot;
.init angle_tot: 0;
.var/dm/ram via_count;
.init via_count: 0;
.var/dm/ram via_count1;
.init via_count1: 0;
.var/dm/ram via_old;
.init via_old: 0;
.var/dm/ram via_fed;
.init via_fed: 0;
.var/dm/ram pid_flag;
.init pid_flag: 0;
.var/dm/ram sign_flag;
.init sign_flag: 0;
.var/dm/ram abs_err;
.init abs_err: 0;
.var/dm/ram p_con;
.init p_con: 0;
.var/dm/ram mag_err;
.init mag_err: 0;
.var/dm/ram/circ scale_buf[4]; { PWMB first, then PWMA }

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.init scale_buf: 0,10,0,0;

.var/dm/ram/circ co_buf[3]; { PWMB first, then PWMA }
.init co_buf: 0x0000, 0x0000,0x0000;

{ Interrupt vector table }

    JUMP dsp_reset; RTI; RTI; RTI; { 00: reset }
    JUMP irq2; RTI; RTI; RTI; { 04: IRQ2 }

    RTI; RTI; RTI; RTI; { 08: SPORT0 tx }
    JUMP rx0_int; RTI; RTI; RTI; { 0C: SPORT0 rx }

    JUMP tx1_int; RTI; RTI; RTI; { 10: SPORT1 tx or IRQ1 }
    RTI; RTI; RTI; RTI; { 14: SPORT1 rx or IRQ0 }

    JUMP timer_int; RTI; RTI; RTI; { 18: timer }

{ DSP intialization }
dsp_reset:
{ DSP register initialization }
    AX0 = 0x1C1B;
    DM(System_Control_Reg) = AX0;

    AX0 = 0x36DB;
    DM(DM_Wait_Reg) = AX0; { 200 ns }

{ SPORT0: ADC }
    AX0 = 0x6A09; { 10 bits/frame }
    DM(SPORT0_Control_Reg) = AX0;
    AX0 = 0x0000;
    DM(SPORT0_Autobuf) = AX0; { no autobuf }

    { SCLKDIV = CLKOUT/2*SCLK - 1) = 20 MHz/2*1 MHz - 1 = 9 }
    AX0 = 9;
    DM(SPORT0_SCLKDIV) = AX0;

{ SPORT1: PWMs }
    AX0 = 0x7FC8;
    DM(SPORT1_Control_Reg) = AX0;

    { SCLKDIV = CLKOUT/2*SCLK - 1) = 20 MHz/2*1 MHz - 1 = 9 }
    AX0 = 9;
    DM(SPORT1_SCLKDIV) = AX0;

{ Timer period = 10 us }

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AX0 = 0;
DM(TSCALE) = AX0; { DSP clock period = 50 ns }
AX0 = 199;
DM(TPERIOD) = AX0;

{ Init positional variables }
SR0 = DM(Encoder_In);

AY0 = 3; { mask B A track bits }
AR = SR0 AND AY0;
DM(encoder) = AR;
DM(encoder + 1) = AR; { init previous encoder sample }
SR = LSHIFT SR0 BY -6 (LO);

I0 = ^pwm_buf;
L0 = %pwm_buf;

M0 = 0;
M1 = 1;

I5 = ^sin_coeff;
L5 = %sin_coeff;

I6 = 0; { not dedicated }
L6 = 0; { used as table index for encoder_state }

I4= ^adc_buf;
L4= %adc_buf;

I1=^co_buf;
L1=%co_buf;

I7 = ^scale_buf;
L7 = %scale_buf;

M4 = 0;
M5 = 1;
M6 = -1;
M7 = 2;

{ Init. PWM values }

DM(I0, M1) = 0;
DM(I0, M1) = 0;

{ Mode register }

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MSTAT = 0x20; { timer enabled }

{ Interrupt initialization }
  ICNTL = 0x07; { edge-sensitive ext. ints., no nesting }
  IFC = 0x3F; { clear pending interrupts }
  NOP; { one cycle for ifc write to go into effect }
  IMASK = 0x2D; { IRQ2, rx0, tx1, timer: 0x2D }

  { Align z_phase for the maximum speed }
  call Align;

  { Go to the main loop }
  jump main;

{*****}
{ Align the phase for maximum speed }
Align:
  call IterTime; { Get the # of control cycles per revolution }
  AX1 = dm(iteration);
  dm(RevIter1) = AX1;
  AY0 = dm(z_phase); { Change the phase alignment }
  AF = AY0 + 1;
  AR = AF + 1;
  dm(z_phase) = AR;
  call IterTime; { Again get the # of control cycles per revolution }
  AX1 = dm(iteration);
  dm(RevIter2) = AX1;
  AY1 = 1;
  dm(direction) = AY1; { direction = 1 if we want to increase }
  AY0 = dm(RevIter1); { z_phase for alignment, -1 if we want }
  AR = AX1 - AY0; { to decrease z_phase for alignment }
  if LT jump ReverseDir;
  { Swap RevIter1 and RevIter2; Set the phase advance direction to -1 }
  dm(RevIter2) = AY0;
  dm(RevIter1) = AX1;
  AY1 = -1;
  dm(direction) = AY1;
ReverseDir:
  AY0 = dm(RevIter1);
  AX1 = dm(RevIter2);
  AR = AX1 - AY0;
  if GE RTS;
  dm(RevIter1) = AX1; { RevIter1 = RevIter2 }
  AR = dm(z_phase); { Advance the phase by +/- 1 }
  AY1 = dm(direction);
  AR = AR + AY1;

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dm(z_phase) = AR;
call IterTime;      { Wait one iteration for the motor speed }
call IterTime;      { to settle }
AX1 = dm(iteration);
dm(RevIter2) = AX1;
jump ReverseDir;

{*****}
{ The IterTime routine measures how long it takes for one motor revolution }
{ The number of control cycles required for one motor revolution }
{ is returned in "iteration". }
IterTime:
  AY0 = 0;
  dm(iteration) = AY0;  { # of control cycles per revolution }
  dm(angle_tot) = AY0;  { total encoder counts measured }
  AR = AY0 + 1;
  dm(speed_cnt) = AR;
IterWait:
  call drive;
  AY0 = dm(speed_cnt);  { Wait for a control cycle }
  AF = pass AY0;
  if NE jump IterWait;
  AY0 = dm(iteration);
  AR = AY0 + 1;        { Increment the # of control cycles }
  dm(iteration) = AR;
  AY0 = dm(angle1);
  AX0 = dm(angle_tot);
  AR = AX0 + AY0;      { Increment the # of encoder counts }
  dm(angle_tot) = AR;
  AY0 = 4000;          { Assume one control cycle / 1 msec }
  AF = AR - AY0;       { 4000 encoder counts per revolution }
  if GE RTS;           { Return after one revolution }
  AY0 = 2000;          { AX1 = 2000 after 2 seconds }
  AX1 = dm(iteration);
  AF = AX1 - AY0;      { If 2 seconds have passed without a rev }
  if LT jump IterWait; { then bump the z-phase and start over }
  AR = dm(z_phase);
  AY0 = 10;
  AR = AR + AY0;
  dm(z_phase) = AR;
  jump IterTime;

{*****}
{ Interrupted loop }
main:

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    call drive1;
    JUMP main; { loop }

{*****}
drive:
    { ADC0 (vspd) input scaling }
    AX0 = DM(adc_buf);
    AY0 = 521; { fs/2 offset of vspd 10-bit ADC input }
    ENA AR_SAT; { no 2's complement wraparound }
    AR = AX0 - AY0; { signed voltage offset }
    SR = ASHIFT AR BY 6 (LO) ; { 1.15 format fraction }
    AR = ABS SR0;
    { Limit max magnitude to 0x7F00 = 254 * 2^7 }
    AY0 = 0x7F00; { +fs magnitude = 7F00 }
    AF = AR - AY0;
    IF GT AR = PASS AY0;
    AF = PASS SR0;
    IF NEG AR = -AR; { AR = scaled command input }
    AR = 0x7F00;
    DM(magnitude) = AR;
    DIS AR_SAT;
    CALL phase_generator;
    rts;

{*****}
drive1:
    AX0=DM(adc_buf);
    AY0=DM(adc_buf+1);
    AR=AX0-AY0;      {error}

    MX0=DM(I1,M1),MY0=PM(I7,M5);
    MR=MX0*MY0(SS),MX1=DM(I1,M1),MY0=PM(I7,M5);
    MR=MR+MX1*MY0(SS),MY0=PM(I7,M5);      {pid controller}
    MR=MR+AR*MY0(SS),MX0=DM(I1,M1),MY0=PM(I7,M5);
    MR=MR+MX0*MY0(RND),DM(I1,M1)=MX1;
    SR=ASHIFT MR1(HI),DM(I1,M1)=AR;
    DM(I1,M1)=SR1;

    AX0=SR1;
    AY0 = 521; { fs/2 offset of vspd 10-bit ADC input }
    ENA AR_SAT; { no 2's complement wraparound }
    AR = AX0 - AY0; { signed voltage offset }
    SR = ASHIFT AR BY 6 (LO) ; { 1.15 format fraction }
    AR = ABS SR0;
    { Limit max magnitude to 0x7F00 = 254 * 2^7 }
    AY0 = 0x7F00; { +fs magnitude = 7F00 }

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AF = AR - AY0;
IF GT AR = PASS AY0;
AF = PASS SR0;
IF NEG AR = -AR; { AR = scaled command input }
DM(magnitude) = AR;
DIS AR_SAT;

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phase_gen:
  CALL phase_generator;
  rts;

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phase_generator:
  { Get the total phase by adding phase + z-phase }
  AX0 = DM(phase);
  AY0 = DM(Z_phase);
  AR = AX0 + AY0;
  { Put the total phase between +/- 40 }
  AX1 = AR;
  call CheckPhaseWrap;

  { scale the phase for the sine function }
  MY1 = phase_scale; { phase_scale = 32768/40 = 819.2 => 819 }
  ENA M_MODE; { integer mpy }
  MR = AR * MY1 (SS);

  { vector generator - sin/cos synthesis }
  AY1 = MR0; { save arg for cos }
  AR = MR0;
  DIS M_MODE; { fractional mpy }
  CALL sine; { sin => A }

  MX0 = AR;
  AX0 = 0x4000; { 90 deg }
  AR = AX0 - AY1; { cos(theta) = sin(pi/2 - theta) }
  CALL sine; { cos => B }

  { AR => PWMB; MX0 => PWMA }
  { PWM format: 1 sign bit (hi = +), 8 bits magnitude }
  AY0 = 0x100; { bit 9 positive sign bit }
  MY0 = DM(magnitude); { PWMB }
  MR = AR * MY0 (SU);
  SR = ASHIFT MR1 BY -7 (LO); { PWM = 9 MSBs }
  AR = ABS SR0; { magnitude }

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IF POS AR = AR OR AY0; { + sign for positive PWM value }
DM(pwm_buf) = AR; { update PWMB value }

MR = MX0 * MY0 (SU); { PWMA }
SR = ASHIFT MR1 BY -7 (LO);
AR = ABS SR0; { magnitude }
IF POS AR = AR OR AY0; { + sign for positive PWM value }
DM(pwm_buf + 1) = AR; { update PWMA value }

RTS;

{*****}
sine: { 1.15 format: AR = arg (-180 deg = 0x8000
      to +180 deg = 0x7FFF), AR = sin;
      uses: AY0, AF, AR, MX1, MY1, MF, MR, SR, I5, M5
      25 cycles
    }
AY0 = 0x4000;
AX0 = AR;
AF = AX0 AND AY0; { Check 2nd or 4th quad. }
IF NE AR = -AX0;
AY0 = 0x7FFF;
AR = AR AND AY0; { remove sign bit }
MY1 = AR;
MF = AR * MY1 (RND), MX1 = DM(I5, M5); { MF = x^2 }
MR = MX1 * MY1 (SS), MX1 = DM(I5, M5); { MR = c1*x }
CNTR = 3;
DO sine1 UNTIL CE;
  MR = MR + MX1 * MF (SS);
sine1: MF = AR * MF (RND), MX1 = DM(I5, M5);
MR = MR + MX1 * MF (SS);
SR = ASHIFT MR1 BY 3 (HI);
SR = SR OR LSHIFT MR0 BY 3 (LO); { convert to 1.15 format }
AR = PASS SR1;
IF LT AR = PASS AY0; { saturate if needed }
AF = PASS AX0;
IF LT AR = -AR; { negate output if needed }
RTS;

{*****}
{ irq2: external PWM counter overflow => irq2
  ADC & PWM driver: 25.6 us - every tick }
irq2:
DM(ax0_reg) = AX0; { save registers used in irq2 }
DM(ay0_reg) = AY0;
DM(ay1_reg) = AY1;

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DM(ar_reg) = AR;
  DM(sr0_reg)=SR0;
  DM(sr1_reg)=SR1;

{ PWM Driver }
AX0 = DM(pwm_buf);
TX1 = AX0; { start tx of PWMB }
AX0 = 0xFFFF;
DM(tx1_flag) = AX0;

  AY0= DM(ADC_Control_Reg);
  AY1= ^adc_buf;
  AX0= I4;
  AR= AX0-AY1;
  SR=LSHIFT AR BY 2(LO);
  AR= SR0 OR AY0;
  TX0 =AR;

AX0 = DM(ax0_reg); { restore used registers in irq2 }
AY0 = DM(ay0_reg);
AR = DM(ar_reg);
  AY1=DM(ay1_reg);
  SR0=DM(sr0_reg);
  SR1=DM(sr1_reg);
RTI;
{*****}
{ Timer Interrupt Routine: Encoder driver; switch debounce: 10 ms }
timer_int:
  ENA SEC_REG;
  { Check if we should use open loop or closed loop control }
  AR = dm(open_loop);
  AR = pass AR;
  if EQ call ClosedLoopControl;
  AR = dm(open_loop);
  AR = pass AR;
  if NE call OpenLoopControl;
  { Make sure phase is in the +/- 40 range }
  AX1 = dm(phase);
  call CheckPhaseWrap;
  dm(phase) = AR;
  { Check if the user wants to adjust the z-phase }
call AdjustZPhase;
  { Call the speed control routine }
  call speed_control;

RTI;

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{*****}
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AdjustZPhase:
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  { manual phase advance tick counter }
  AY0 = DM(timer_tick);
  AR = AY0 + 1;
  AX0 = ticks;
  AF = AX0 - AY0;
  IF LE AR = PASS 0;
  DM(timer_tick) = AR;
  IF NE rts; { check for z phase adjustment if timer_tick = ticks }
  { Adjust Z_phase }
  AY1 = DM(Z_phase);
  AF = PASS AY1;
  AX0 = DM(Encoder_In);
  AY0 = 0x0040; { CNFG1 bit - active low }
  AR = AX0 AND AY0;
  IF EQ AF = AF + 1;
  AR = PASS AF;
  DM(Z_phase) = AR;
  rts;
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{*****}
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ClosedLoopControl:
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  { encoder driver }
  SR0 = DM(encoder);
  DM(encoder + 1) = SR0; { advance previous encoder sample }
  SR = LSHIFT SR0 BY 2 (LO); { shift previous sample by 2 }
  MR0 = DM(Encoder_In);

  {   SR = LSHIFT MR0 BY -4 (HI);
    SR1 = MR0;
  }
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  AY1 = 3;
  AR = MR0 AND AY1; { A B tracks only }
  DM(encoder) = AR; { store present sample }
  AY0 = SR0;
  AR = AR OR AY0; { table index: previous B A, present B A }
  AY0 = 8;
  AF = AR - AY0;
  IF GE AR = NOT AR; { if GE 8, invert bits }
  AY0 = 7;
  AR = AR AND AY0; { 3-bit index }
  AY0 = ^encoder_state;
  AR = AR + AY0; { add table base address }
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I6 = AR;
AR = DM(I6, M4); { look-up table count value }

AY0 = 2; { if direction indeterminate; make same as before }
AF = AR - AY0;
AY0 = DM(encoder_cnt); { get previous count }
IF NE JUMP ClosedLoopControl1; { present count NE 2 }
AF = PASS AY0;
IF LT AR = -AR; { if prev count < 0, AR <= -2 }
ClosedLoopControl1:
  DM(encoder_cnt) = AR; { store encoder count }
  AY0 = AR; { present encoder count }
  AX1 = DM(phase);
  AR = AX1 + AY0;
  DM(phase) = AR;
  rts;

{*****}
CheckPhaseWrap:
  { input = AX1. Put the input in the +/- half_counts_revel range.
  { output = AR }
  AR = AX1;
  AX0 = half_counts_revel; { half-cycle of counts/rev el }
  AY1 = counts_revel;
CheckPhaseWrap0:
  AF = ABS AR;
  AF = AX0 - AF;
  IF GE rts;          { no wraparound }
  AR = PASS AR;
  IF LT JUMP CheckPhaseWrap1;
  AR = AR - AY1;      { + to - phase wraparound }
  jump CheckPhaseWrap0;
CheckPhaseWrap1:
  AR = AR + AY1;      { - to + phase wraparound }
  jump CheckPhaseWrap0;

{*****}
OpenLoopControl:
  MR0 = 0;
  AY0 = DM(advance_tick);
  AR = AY0 + 1;
  AX0 = timebase;
  AF = AX0 - AY0;
  IF LE AR = PASS 0;
  DM(advance_tick) = AR;
  IF NE JUMP OpenLoop1; { no jump if 0 }

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MR0 = 1;
{ Open-loop advance of phase by incrementing at timebase rate }
OpenLoop1:
  AY0 = MR0; { = 1 on timebase timeout }
  { iterate phase: AY0 = phase increment }
  AX1 = DM(phase);
  AR = AX1 + AY0;
  DM(phase) = AR; { advance the phase }
  rts;

{*****}
speed_control:
{ Speed control }
  AR = DM(encoder_cnt); { get the encoder count }
  AY0 = DM(angle);
  AR = AR + AY0;
  DM(angle) = AR;      { total angle }

  AY0 = DM(speed_cnt); { filtering and }
  AF = AY0 + 1;        { speed control every speed_ticks ints }
  AR = PASS AF;
  AX0 = speed_ticks;
  AF = AX0 - AF;
  if EQ AR = PASS 0;
  DM(speed_cnt) = AR;
  if NE RTS;

  MR0 = DM(angle);    { Save the total angle in MR0 and angle1 }
  AR = ABS MR0;
  DM(angle1) = AR;
  MR0 = AR;
  AX0 = 0;            { reset the total angle to 0 }
  DM(angle) = AX0;

  RTS;

{*****}
{ Turn off autobuffering at pwm_buf rollover }
tx1_int:
  DM(ax0_reg) = AX0; { Save regs }
  DM(ar_reg) = AR;

  AX0 = DM(tx1_flag);
  AR = PASS AX0;
  IF EQ JUMP tx1_int1;

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    AX0 = DM(pwm_buf + 1); { PWMA }
    TX1 = AX0;
    AX0 = 0;
    DM(tx1_flag) = AX0;
tx1_int1:
    AX0 = DM(ax0_reg); { restore regs }
    AR = DM(ar_reg);
    RTI;

{ **** }
rx0_int:
    { Acquire ADC data into adc_buf }
    DM(ax0_reg) = AX0; { save reg }
    AX0 = RX0; { prev ADC sample in }
    MODIFY (I4,M6);
    DM(I4,M7)=AX0;
    AX0 = DM(ax0_reg);
    RTI;

.endmod;

{ **** end **** }

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