

## VIRTUATILT BASIC CONFIGURATION AND SETUP

Following some basic instructions to have your VirtuaTilt up and running quickly.

VirtuaTilt controller is powered by FRDM KL25Z board with Pinscape software already installed.

**Please always refer to official Pinscape build guide (the Bible) available here:**

<http://mjrnet.org/pinscape/BuildGuideV2/BuildGuide.php?sid=kl25zSoftwareSetup>

### KL25Z Software Setup

VirtuaTilt comes with a KL25Z "microcontroller", which is basically a tiny computer. **Pinscape firmware is already installed.** That serves as both the operating system and the application software. It controls all of the virtual pinball functions of the KL25Z, including the sensors, buttons, and feedback devices, and it handles communications with Windows.

In addition to the Pinscape firmware that runs on the KL25Z, there's a separate Pinscape program that runs on your Windows PC, called the **ConfigTool**. This provides an interactive interface for setting up the device, configuring it, and testing it. You don't need to leave the ConfigTool running all the time; it's only needed to set up and test the device. You can also run it again at any time to change options, update the firmware, or troubleshoot problems (it includes some testing features that can help debug the hardware setup).

The software installation process is all controlled from the PC. The Config Tool handles the KL25Z software setup, so the first step is to install the Config Tool on your PC. You can download it here:

[PinscapeConfigTool.zip](#)

To install, download the ZIP file above, unblock it (**very important!**) and unpack it into a folder on your hard disk. Use any location that's convenient. Open the folder and double-click the "**PinscapeConfigTool.exe**" application.

### VirtuaTilt default config

Following is the default VirtuaTilt config in Pinscape. We recommend to leave it as-is for testing buttons, potentiometer, feedback devices, etc. You can obviously change it afterwards, according to your personal preferences. We also recommend to save it, in case you need to revert back to original configuration.

Pinscape Setup

## Settings

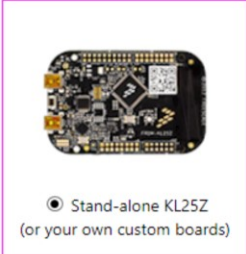
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**Configuration settings for KL25Z CPU ID 0049-004E9002-53274E45**


Memory used: 9.5K bytes of 16K bytes (6,672 bytes free) [Explain](#)

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**System type.** Are you using this KL25Z on its own, or with a set of expansion boards? [Help](#)


☒ Stand-alone KL25Z  
(or your own custom boards)


☐ Pinscape Expansion Boards


☐ Pinscape All-in-One

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**USB Identification.** This is how the KL25Z identifies itself to Windows through the USB port.

LedWiz Unit 1  (USB Vendor ID FAFA, Product 00F0)

- If you have a **real** LedWiz unit in your system, choose **LedWiz Unit 8** for your first Pinscape unit, 9 for the second, etc.
- If you **don't** have any real LedWiz units, choose **LedWiz Unit 1** for the first unit, 2 for the second, etc.

[I want more details!](#)

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**Pinscape ID.** This is a **separate** ID from the LedWiz unit number. DOF R3 and the [DOF Config Tool](#) use this ID to identify the unit. **Set this to 1 for your first unit**, 2 for the second, and so on. You **don't** have to copy the LedWiz unit number here! This is completely unrelated to the LedWiz number. This setting **must always** be **1** for your first (or only) Pinscape unit, or DOF won't work.

Pinscape Unit 1

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**Reset on disconnect.** If the USB connection is broken, and can't be re-established within a time limit, the KL25Z can automatically reset itself as an attempt to fix whatever's wrong. Select

☒ Enabled

Time before reboot (seconds):

[Details](#)

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**TV ON switch.** If one or more of your monitors needs to be turned on manually every time you power up your cabinet, you can use this feature to switch them on automatically. See the [TV ON](#) feature for details.

☐ Enabled

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**IR Remote Control.** The controller can send and/or receive IR remote control signals if you attach some additional components. This can be used with the [TV ON](#) feature to turn your cabinet on automatically. See the [TV ON](#) feature for details on the components required and how to connect them. If you don't have any IR components attached or wish to disable them, simply set the pin assignments here to "Not Connected".

IR LED (transmitter) pin:	<input type="text" value="Not Connected"/>	<i>Requires a PWM-capable pin</i>
IR receiver input pin:	<input type="text" value="Not Connected"/>	<i>Requires an interrupt-capable pin</i>

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**Joystick input.** The controller acts like a Windows USB Joystick in order to send the plunger position, accelerometer readings (for nudging), and button input

☒ Enable joystick input

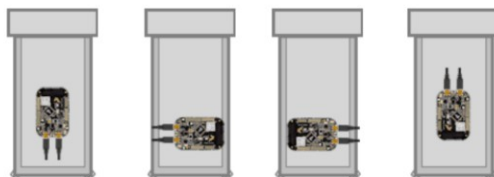
[Why would I want to disable this?](#)

Joystick axis format:  [What's this?](#)

Joystick report interval (milliseconds):  [Explain](#)

Accelerometer "stutter":  [Explain](#)

**Accelerometer orientation.** If you're using the accelerometer (for nudge sensing), the software needs to know how the KL25Z is oriented in the cabinet so that below, level with the floor of the cabinet, with the chips and LEDs facing up.



☐ Ports facing front ☐ Ports facing left ☐ Ports facing right ☒ Ports facing rear

**Dynamic range.** Select the range for accelerometer readings. Ranges above  $\pm 2G$  have lower precision. [Details](#)

- ☒  $\pm 1G$  (original Pinscape setting, highest precision)
- ☐  $\pm 2G$  (same precision as  $\pm 1G$  but with wider range)
- ☐  $\pm 4G$  (reduced precision, wider range)
- ☐  $\pm 8G$  (lowest precision, widest range)

**Auto-centering.** The controller automatically zeroes the accelerometer after it's been sitting still for a while. This compensates for any tilt in the mounting plate. [Joystick Viewer](#).

- ☐ Manually center only (no auto-centering)
- ☒ Auto-center with default time (5 seconds)
- ☐ Auto-center with custom time

## Plunger sensor setup

Sensor type:

[Live Sensor View](#)

**Potentiometer.** This uses a slide potentiometer, which is a variable resistor with a control knob that moves linearly across the length of the device. Attach pot's electrical resistance changes as the knob moves, proportionally to the position, so the controller can determine the plunger position by reading the voltage.

### Pin assignments:

Wiper:  *Requires an ADC (analog in) pin*

**Plunger calibration button.** If you wish, you can install a pushbutton in your cabinet to activate plunger calibration mode. This is optional, since you can use the joystick for calibration.

Button input:  ☐ Enabled

Indicator lamp output:  ☐ Enabled

**ZB Launch Ball setup.** You can set up your mechanical plunger to act as a "virtual" Launch Ball button for tables that use a button instead of a plunger.

☐ Enabled

**Button inputs.** You can use the KL25Z as a key encoder to connect pinball-style buttons on your cabinet to the PC. Set up the wiring connections and key pin or key assignment to change a setting.

[Test Buttons](#)

Shift button number:  [Help](#)

- ☒ Shift OR Key mode
- ☐ Shift AND Key mode

[Set standard joystick buttons](#) | [Set standard keyboard keys](#) | [View standard key assignments](#)

No.	Port	PC Input	Options	VP Usage
1	PTC2			Start Game
2	PTB3			Right Flipper
3	PTB2			Right MagnaSave
4	PTB1			Plunger/Launch Ball
5	PTE30			Extra Ball (Buy-In)
6	PTE22			-
7	PTE5			-
8	PTE4			VP Volume Down
9	PTE3			VP Volume Up
10	PTE2			Open/Close Coin Door
11	PTB11			Service Button "Enter"
12	PTB10			Service Button "Up/+"
13	PTB9			Service Button "Down/-"
14	PTB8			Service Button "Cancel/Exit"
15	PTC12			Coin In (main/left slot)
16	PTC13			Exit to menu (PinballX/HyperPin front ends)
17	PTC16			Left Flipper
18	PTC17			Left MagnaSave
19	PTA16			-
20	PTA17			-
21	PTE31			-
22	PTD6			-
23	PTD7			-
24	PTE1			-
25	Not Connected			

## TLC5940 (external PWM controller chip) setup [What's this?](#)

Number of TLC5940 chips:

## TLC59116 (external PWM controller chip) setup [What's this?](#)

Disabled - [Show Settings](#)

## 74HC595 (external digital out chip) setup [What's this?](#)

Number of 74HC595 chips:

**Pinscape After Dark.** You can set up a button or switch to activate **Night Mode**, which disables the feedback device outputs that you designate as noise-makers and neighbors. [Details](#)

Button input number:  0 = no input button assigned

Button type:



☒ Momentary button  
(Toggles mode when pushed)





































































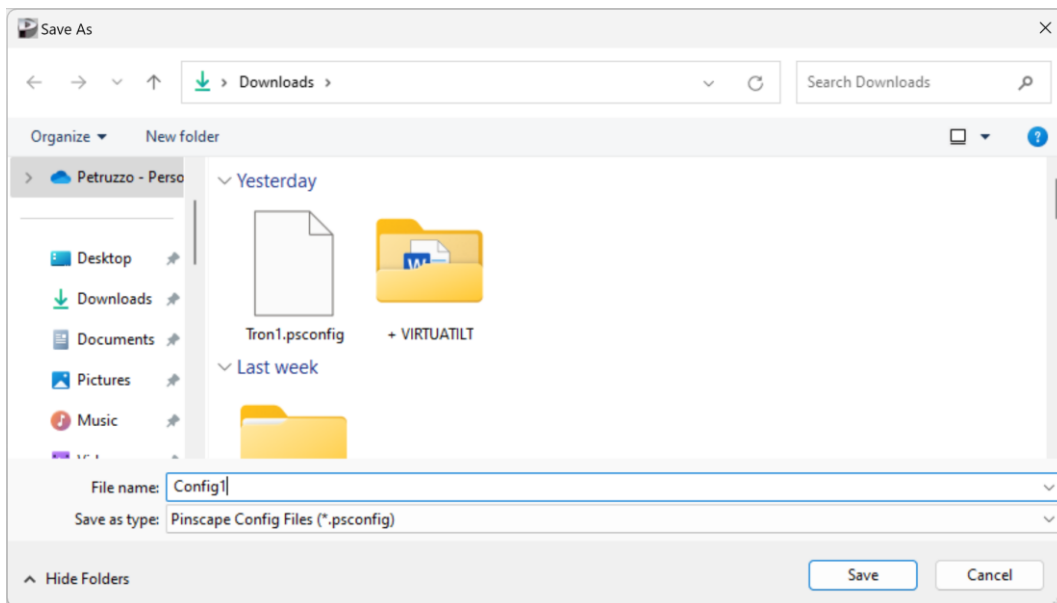
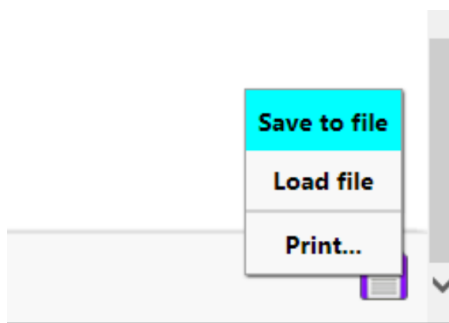
☐ On/off switch

Indicator lamp output port:  0 = no indicator output

**Feedback device outputs.** Pinball software on the PC can control output devices connected to the KL25Z to create special effects during play, such as tactile feedback. Use these port numbers when you set up your [DOF configuration](#). For each port, you can select the physical output pin that the port is wired

Test Outputs

Port No.	Type	Location	Pin	Port	Options [?]	Description
1	Digital	KL25Z	J1-2	PTA1	  	Bumper
2	PWM	KL25Z	J1-4	PTA2	  	Shaker Motor
3	Digital	KL25Z	J1-6	PTD4	  	Flipper Left
4	Digital	KL25Z	J1-8	PTA12	  	Flipper Right
5	PWM	KL25Z	J1-10	PTA4	  	
6	PWM	KL25Z	J1-12	PTA5	  	
7	PWM	KL25Z	J2-2	PTA13	  	
8	PWM	KL25Z	J2-4	PTD5	  	
9	PWM	KL25Z	J2-6	PTD0	  	
10	PWM	KL25Z	J2-10	PTD3	  	
11	Digital	KL25Z	J2-8	PTD2	  	
12	Digital	KL25Z	J1-14	PTC8	  	
13	Digital	KL25Z	J1-16	PTC9	  	
14	Digital	KL25Z	J1-1	PTC7	  	
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16	Digital	KL25Z	J1-5	PTC3	  	
17	Digital	KL25Z	J1-7	PTC4	  	
18	Digital	KL25Z	J1-9	PTC5	  	
19	Digital	KL25Z	J1-11	PTC6	  	
20	Digital	KL25Z	J1-13	PTC10	  	
21	Digital	KL25Z	J1-15	PTC11	  	
22	Digital	KL25Z	J2-18	PTE0	  	



## Installing DOF

Install DOF using following .msi files from Cleveland Software Github repository ([latest versions, high compatibility. Thank you Phil for packing them!](#)). Make sure you select the correct version based on VPX version installed on your PC (32 or 64 bit). **64bit versions only of both VPX and DOF are highly recommended.**

- [32bit DOF Installer](#)
- [64bit DOF Installer](#)

NOTE: unblock zipfiles after download (**very important!**)

### Installing both 32 bit and 64 bit DOF

When installing the 64 bit version, make sure to place it in a different directory from the 32 bit version if you intend on running both at the same time. You will also need to manually update the **plugins shortcut** that is normally created for you when installing the 64 bit version if you want to be able to run both. The best process to follow for a successful install of both a 32 bit and 64 bit install is the following:

1. Install the 64 bit version of DOF.
2. After install, copy the entire folder (typically C:/DirectOutput) and rename the copy as **C:/DirectOutput64**
3. Now install the 32 bit version of DOF.
4. After install, check to ensure that the {Visual\_Pinball\_Install\_Location}/tables/plugins directory has a shortcut to the **C:/DirectOutput** directory, and the {Visual\_Pinball\_Install\_Location}/tables/plugins64 directory has a shortcut to the **C:/DirectOutput64** directory.

An official step-by-step guide for DOF configuration is available here: [Pinscape Build Guide \(mjrn.net.org\)](#)

## Configuring DOF for VirtuaTilt

In order to configure DOF you need to setup a configuration file. You can create an account and login to the [DOF Config tool](#) or **you can just download provided config files from our GitHub repository** and copy/move the files into your **C:\DirectOutput64\** or **C:\DirectOutput\** directory (or wherever DOF is installed on your PC), overwriting existing files:

# Changing DOF Configuration

## Select your device

Once you have an account setup, go to **My Account** and select the number of devices for your setup.

- Select **1** for **Number of Pinscape Devices** and then **Save Settings**

VPUNIVERSE Direct Output Framework CONFIG TOOL

Current Version: 4855

Home Port Assignments Table Configs Version History **My Account** Stats Combine Toys Logout

**Account Settings**

My API Key: [Redacted]  
 Config Contributions: 0  
 Number of Ledviz Devices: 0  
 Number of PacDrive Devices: 0  
 Number of WS2811 Devices: 0  
 Number of Artnet Devices: 0  
 Number of PacLad Devices: 0  
 Number of SainSmart Devices: 0  
**Number of Pinscape Devices: 1**  
 Number of FRDM-KL25Z Devices: 0  
 Number of Ultimate/IO Devices: 0  
 Number of Philips\_Hue Devices: 0  
 Number of Pincontrol1 Devices: 0  
 Number of Pincontrol2 Devices: 0  
 Number of DudesCab Devices: 0  
 Number of PinOne Devices: 0  
 Generate nofeedback files: No  
 Remove fade from Front Buttons: No

**Notification Options**

Receive Email Notifications: ☒  
 Email Address: [Redacted]

**Change Password**

Current / Temporary Password: [Redacted]  
 New Password: [Redacted]  
 Confirm Password: [Redacted]

**Save Settings**

## Creating a config file

When creating a config file for your setup, its simply a matter of selecting the outputs for each device in your cabinet. VirtuaTilt is already configured this way:

- **Port1** – Solenoid – Combo for bumpers and slingshots
- **Port2** – Shaker Motor
- **Port3** – Left Flipper Solenoid
- **Port4** – Right Flipper Solenoid

The **Combo1** config is assigned to slingshot and bumpers:

Combo ID	Option	Toy Category	Toy 1	Toy 2	Toy 3	Toy 4
Combo1	Delete	Mono	Slingshot Left	Slingshot Right	8 Bumper Left	8 Bumper Right
New	Add	Mono				

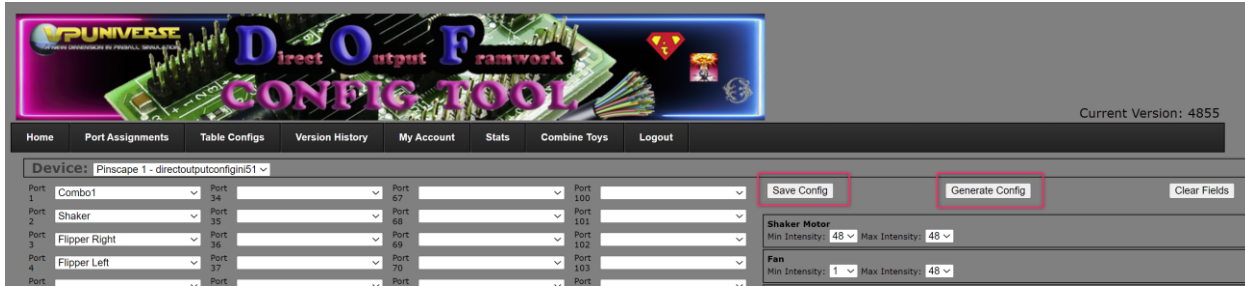
You can change it according to your personal preferences. To do this, simply navigate to the "**Combine Toys**" section in the config tool and enter your new combos.

**NOTE:** Shaker Motor Intensity is already set at Maximum (48). You can change it according to your personal preferences:

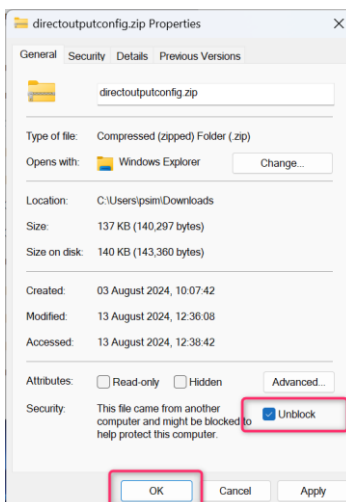
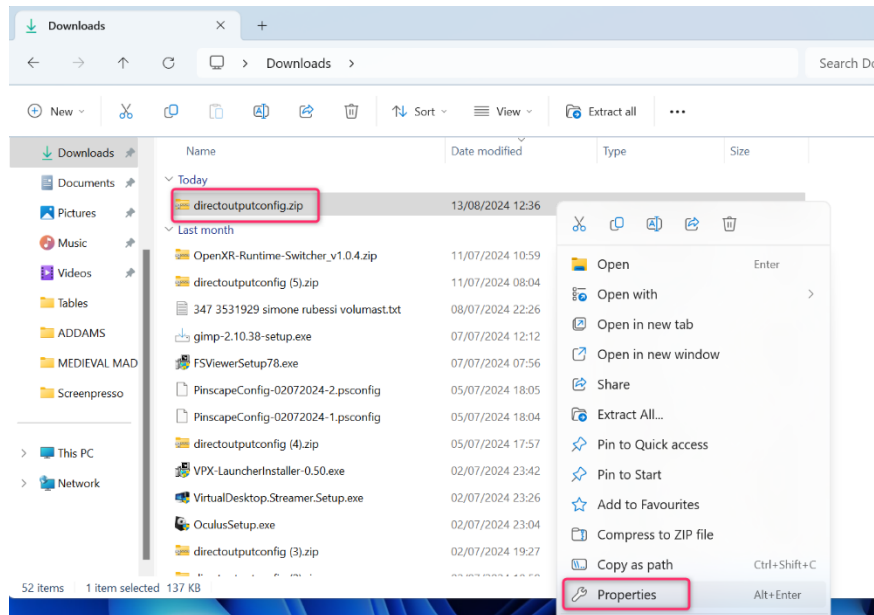


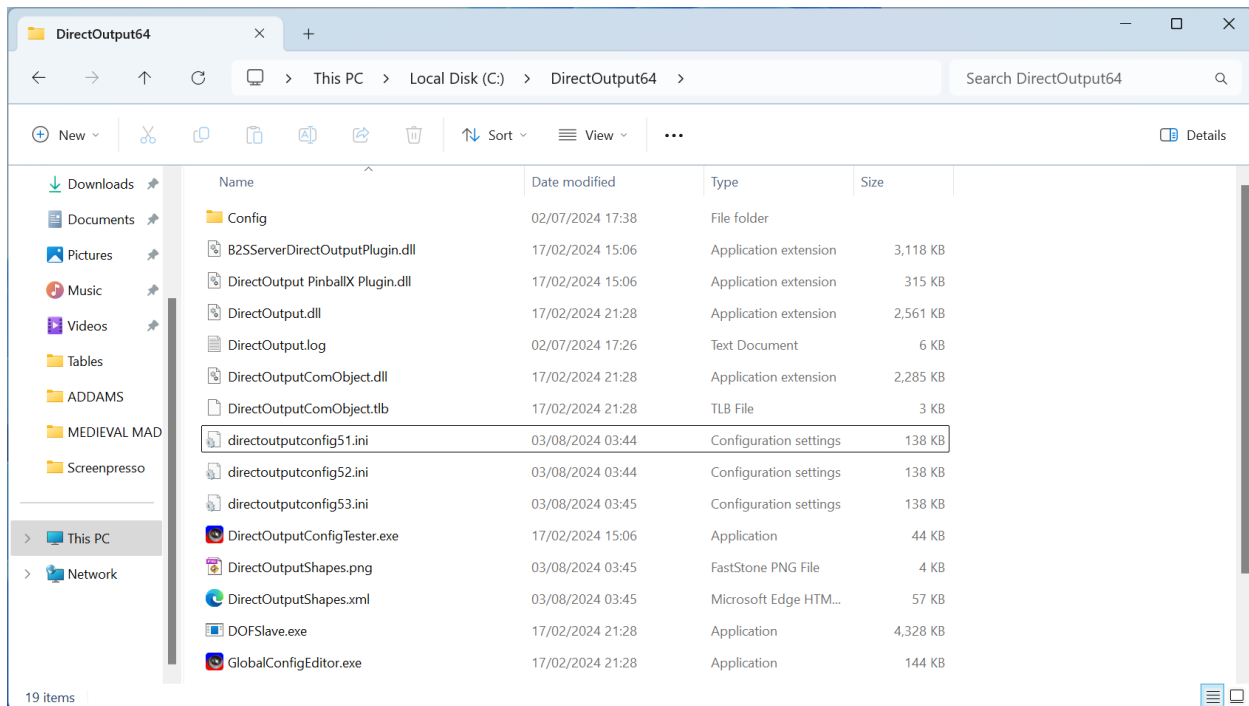
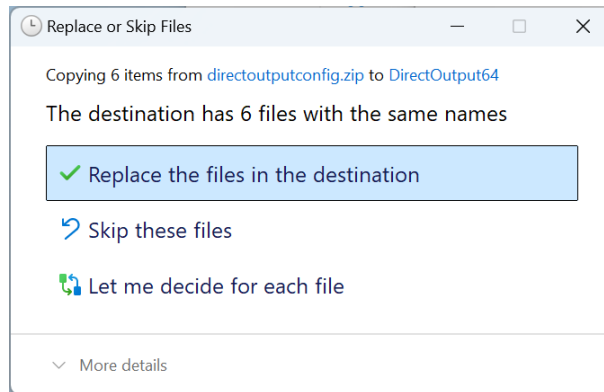
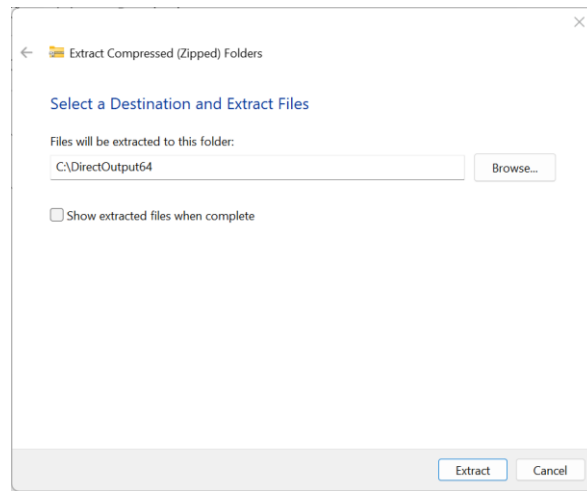
## Setting your config in DOF

Once you have everything set in the config tool, click the **Save Config** button, then **Generate Config** button:



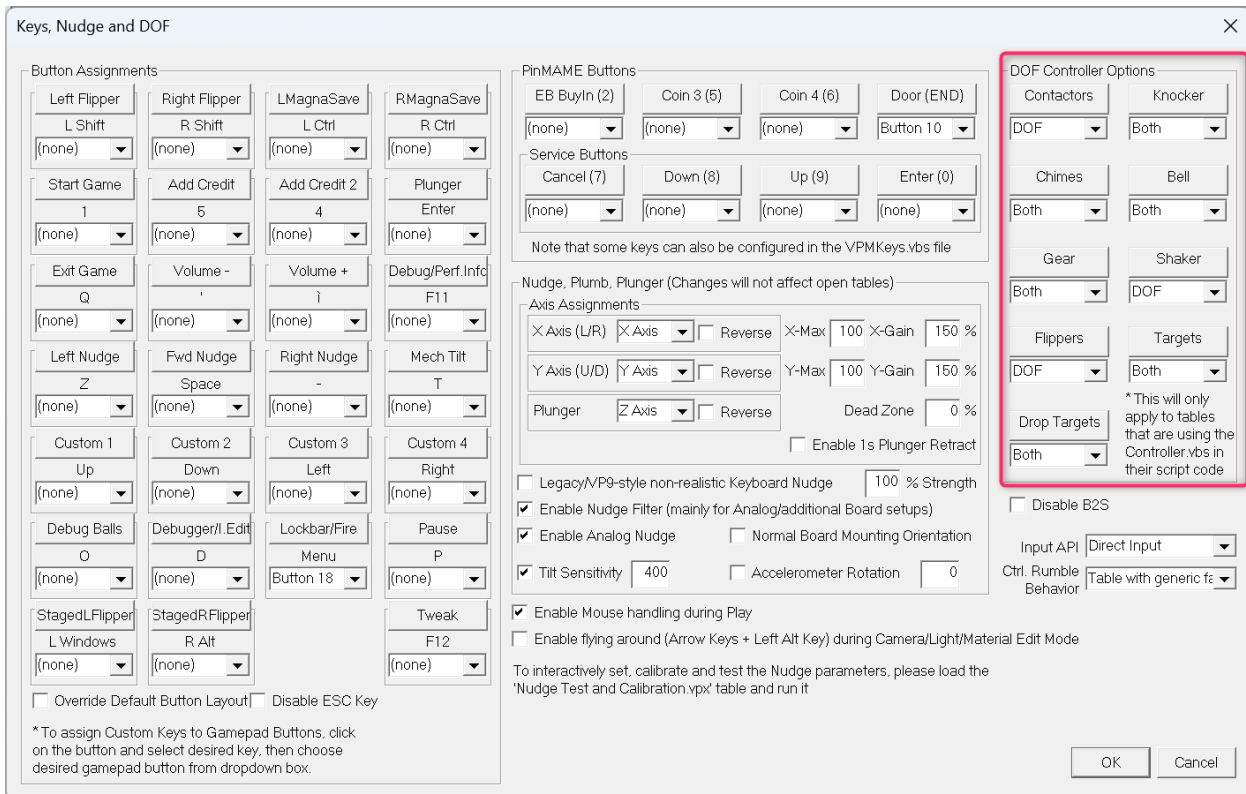
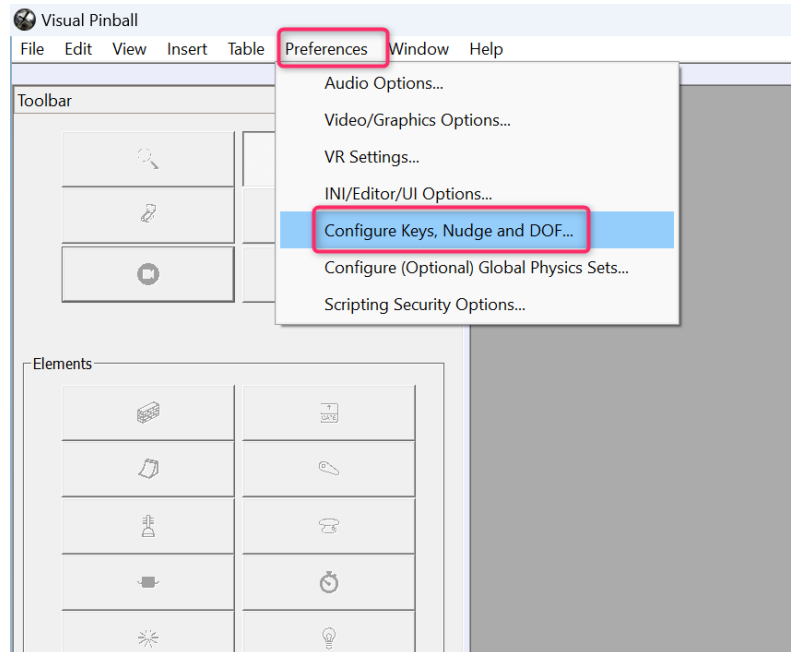
This will download a copy of the configuration files onto your PC. All you need to do now is move the files into your **C:\DirectOutput64\** or **C:\DirectOutput\** directory (or wherever DOF is installed on your PC) and overwrite all files:





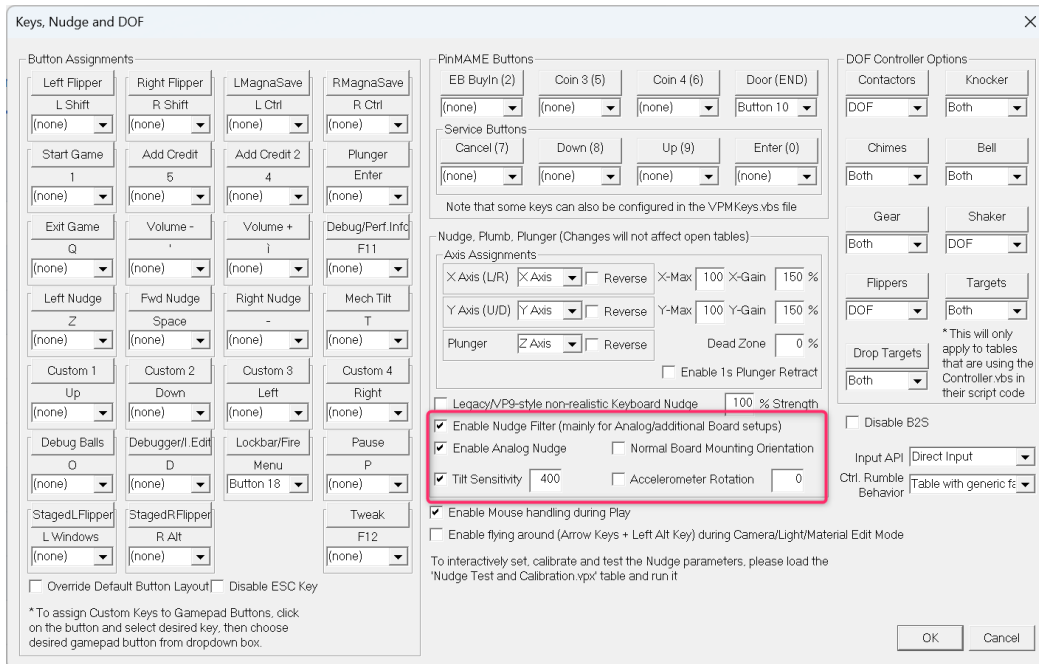
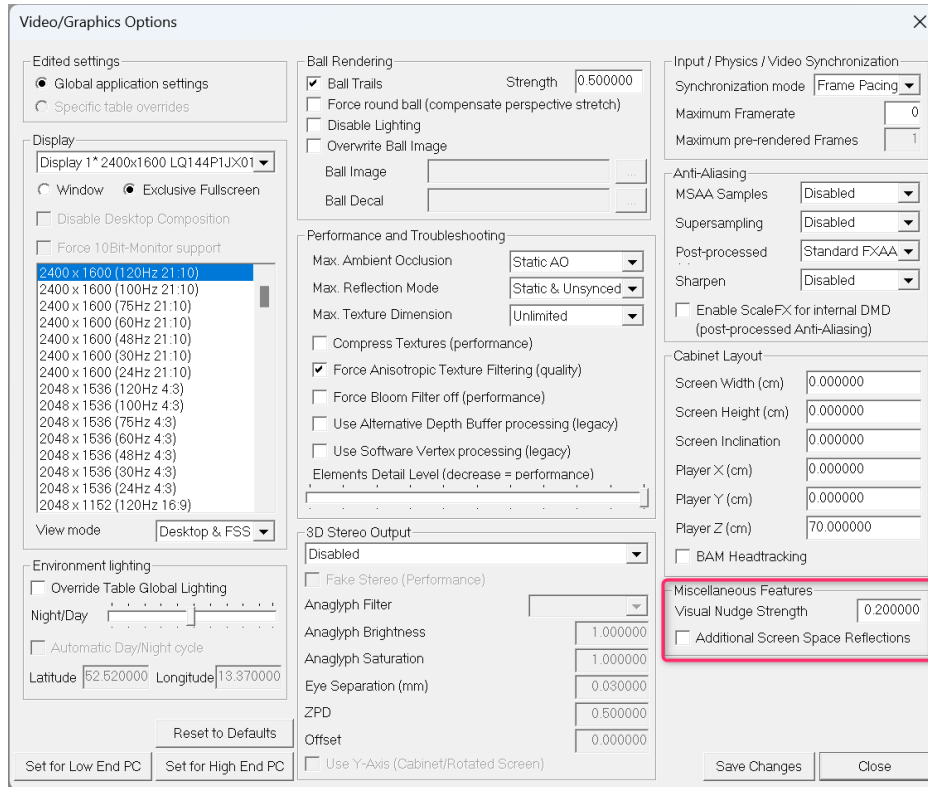
# Visual Pinball configuration

Replicate the following configuration in Visual Pinball settings:



# Nudge/Tilt configuration in Visual Pinball

We recommend starting with following values and modify them afterwards:



Your VirtuaTilt should now be able to play Visual Pinball and have feedback on all supported tables!