VXM Stepping Motor Controller Application Note # AN103

Interfacing to Thumbwheel Switch for Programs 0,1,2,3 Selection

In stand-alone applications it may be necessary to select one of several programs to perform different functions, or to select a different program that may be mostly the same, but with one or more different value(s).

This Application Note demonstrates a method of using a commercially available thumbwheel switch to select 1 of 4 programs on the VXM.

NOTE: The thumbwheel will select the program, however, to start the program, the Run button or Run input must be activated

Materials Needed:

- 1. Single BCD output Thumbwheel Switch
- 2. Auxiliary I/O Breakout Module or DB15HD (VGA) cable
- 3. Push Button or Switch for remote Run (Optional)

Wiring:

Inputs 2, 3, and 0V must be connected to the thumbwheel switch. Connect 0V (I/O pin1) from the VXM to the terminal labeled "C" on the switch. Input 2 (I/O pin 6) on the VXM needs to be connected to the switch terminal that only makes contact with "C" when the digit 1 is displayed on the thumbwheel. Input 3 (I/O pin 7) on the VXM needs to be connected to the switch terminal that only makes contact with "C" when the digit 2 is displayed on the thumbwheel.

BCD Thumbwheel Switch Truth Table

Pgm #	Co	nnec	tion to	οС	
Thb	Input 2	Input 3	N/C	N/C	0V
Swt	1	2	4	8	C
0					
1					
3					
3					
4	N.				
5	100	t Uss			
6		26	able.		
7				ith v	
8				lith W	M
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Connection for Remote Run

Program:

Program numbers 0,1,2,3 need to be loaded with the desired program code. The following example does a different Index move for each program number. The **setI67** command enables the VXM to read program selection on Inputs 2 and 3. The **rsm** command saves the program permanently in the VXM.

Example #1	Motors run	RAM used	Function
4 Different Auto-reverses	1	32	Select programs 0,1,2,3 from Thumbwheel Switch

PM-3 I1M4000 I1M-4000	;select/clear pgm 3 ;Index out 10 revs ;Reverse back
PM-2 I1M2000 I1M-2000	<pre>;select/clear pgm 2 ;Index out 5 revs ;Reverse back</pre>
PM-1 I1M800 I1M-800	<pre>;select/clear pgm 1 ;Index out 2 revs ;Reverse back</pre>
PM-0 I1M400 I1M-400	<pre>;select/clear pgm 0 ;Index out 1 rev ;Reverse back</pre>
	;Set Pgm Select Inputs 2,3 and to save programs/settings

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