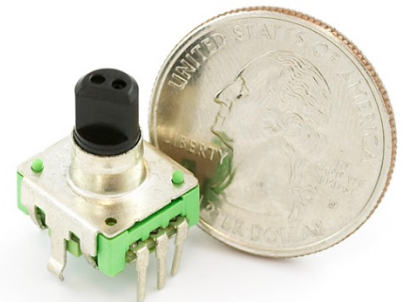
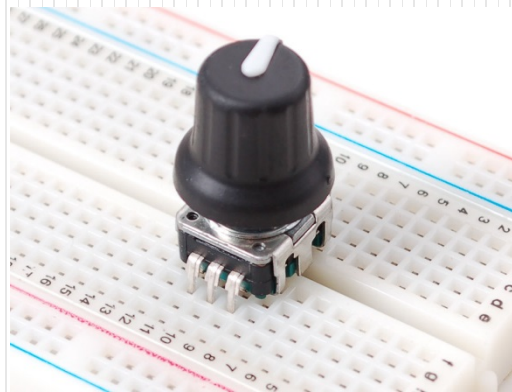


02-1 Rotary Encoders - eQEP

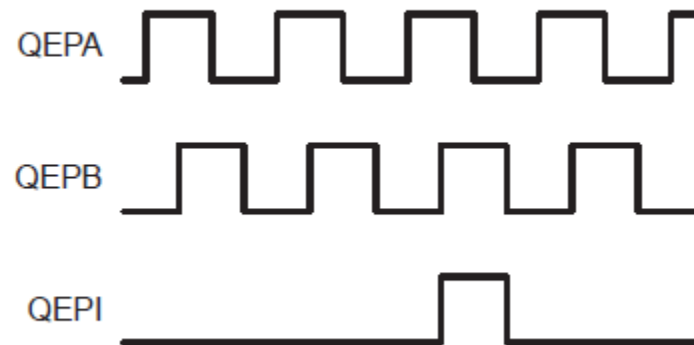
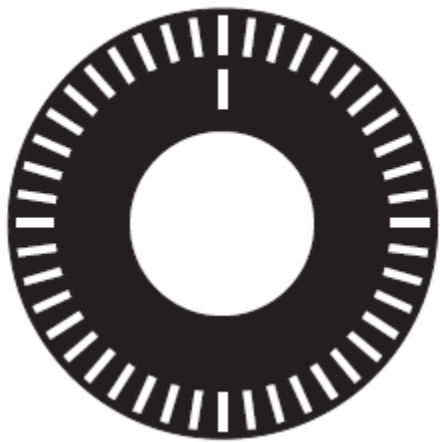
Measuring Rotation



Rotary Encoders

- Rotary encoder measure rotation by using two switches that open and close 90° out of phase with each other
- They have two inputs, **A** and **B**

Figure 15-130. Optical Encoder Disk



Reading the Encoder

- We could hook **A** and **B** to GPIO pins and read them ourselves
- The Bone has hardware for reading encoders called the Enhanced Quadrature Encoder Pulse (eQEP) Module
- See section 15.4 of the TRM

eQEP

- Let's use eQEP 2
- Derek Molloy's table show they appear on pins P8_11 and 12

Beaglebone Black P8 Header

Head_pin	\$PINS	ADDR/OFFSET	GPIO NO.	Name	Mode7	Mode6	Mode5	Mode4	Mode3	Mode2
P8_01				DGND						
P8_02				DGND						
P8_03	6	0x818/018	38	GPIO1_6	gpio1[6]					
P8_04	7	0x81c/01c	39	GPIO1_7	gpio1[7]					
P8_05	2	0x808/008	34	GPIO1_2	gpio1[2]					
P8_06	3	0x80c/00c	35	GPIO1_3	gpio1[3]					
P8_07	36	0x890/090	66	TIMER4	gpio2[2]					timer4
P8_08	37	0x894/094	67	TIMER7	gpio2[3]					timer7
P8_09	39	0x89c/09c	69	TIMER5	gpio2[5]					timer5
P8_10	38	0x898/098	68	TIMER6	gpio2[4]					timer6
P8_11	13	0x834/034	45	GPIO1_13	gpio1[13]			eQEP2B_in	mmc2_dat1	mmc1_dat5
P8_12	12	0x830/030	44	GPIO1_12	gpio1[12]			EQEP2A_IN	MMC2_DAT0	MMC1_DAT4
P8_13	9	0x824/024	23	EHRPWM2B	gpio0[23]			ehrpwm2B	mmc2_dat5	mmc1_dat1
P8_14	10	0x828/028	26	GPIO0_26	gpio0[26]			ehrpwm2B_trizone_in	mmc2_dat6	mmc1_dat2
P8_15	15	0x83c/03c	47	GPIO1_15	gpio1[15]			eQEP2_strobe	mmc2_dat3	mmc1_dat7
P8_16	14	0x838/038	46	GPIO1_14	gpio1[14]			eQEP2_index	mmc2_dat2	mmc1_dat6
P8_17	11	0x82c/02c	27	GPIO0_27	gpio0[27]			ehrpwm0_synco	mmc2_dat7	mmc1_dat3
P8_18	35	0x88c/08c	65	GPIO2_1	gpio2[1]	mcasp0_fsr			mmc2_clk	gpmc_wait1
P8_19	8	0x820/020	22	EHRPWM2A	gpio0[22]			ehrpwm2A	mmc2_dat4	mmc1_dat0
P8_20	33	0x884/084	63	GPIO1_31	gpio1[31]					mmc1_cmd
P8_21	32	0x880/080	62	GPIO1_30	gpio1[30]					mmc1_clk

Read eQEP

```
eQEP0 = "/sys/devices/platform/ocp/48300000.epwmss/48300180.eqep",  
eQEP1 = "/sys/devices/platform/ocp/48302000.epwmss/48302180.eqep",  
eQEP2 = "/sys/devices/platform/ocp/48304000.epwmss/48304180.eqep",
```

```
bone$ cd /sys/devices/platform/ocp/48304000.epwmss
```

```
bone$ ls -F
```

```
48304100.ecap/ 48304200.ehrpwm/ modalias subsystem@
```

```
48304180.eqep/ driver@ power/ uevent
```

```
bone$ cd 48304180.eqep/
```

```
bone$ ls -F
```

```
driver@ enabled modalias mode period position power/ subsystem@  
uevent
```

```
bone$ cat position
```

```
-50
```

- Turn encoder

```
bone$ cat position
```

```
-36
```

Read from Python

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
```

```
# From: https://adafruit-beaglebone-io-python.readthedocs.io/en/latest/Encoder.html
```

```
from Adafruit_BBIO.Encoder import RotaryEncoder, eQEP2
import time
```

```
# Instantiate the class to access channel eQEP2, and initialize
# that channel
```

```
myEncoder = RotaryEncoder(eQEP2)
myEncoder.setAbsolute()
myEncoder.enable()
```

```
# Get the current position
for i in range(1,50):
    print(myEncoder.position)
    time.sleep(0.1)
```