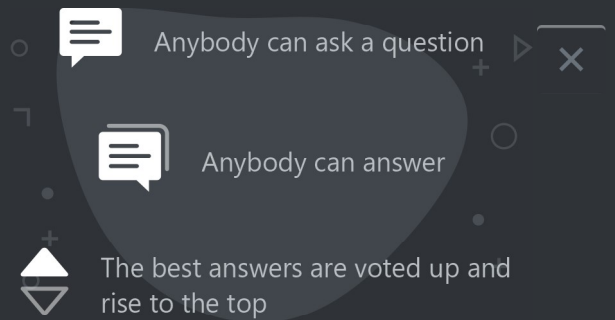


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## Mechanical angle, electrical angle, and Park transformation

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▲ I have a question about the electrical angle and mechanical angle of the BLDC motor.

0 The motor has 8 poles. We have

▼ Electrical angle = number of pole pair \* mechanical angle

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🕒 This would mean that if the mechanical angle covers 45 deg, the electrical angle has spanned 360 deg. After that, should I reset my electrical angle to 0 and start counting again, or it's acceptable if the electrical angle keeps increasing?

I use the electrical angle in the Park transformation for calculations.

microcontroller

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asked May 21, 2017 at 10:15



[rajesh](#)

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1 [Robert Park](#) was a man- please capitalize his name in your title and text. – [Spehro Pefhany](#) May 21, 2017 at 10:37

I am sorry. Can i edit now. – [rajesh](#) May 21, 2017 at 10:49

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What is key is the electrical frame of reference. Every pole-pair the cycle completes.

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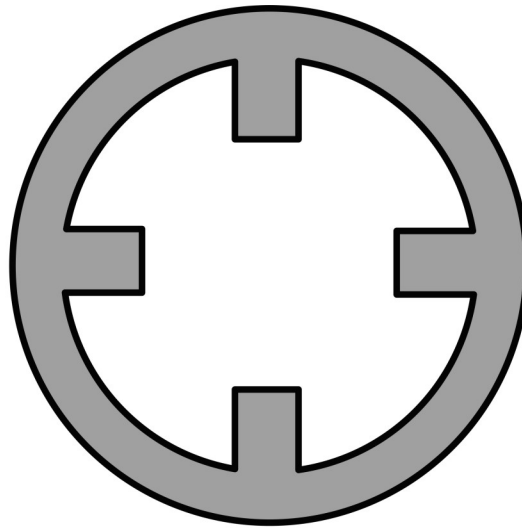
For a 6 pole machine, 3pole-pair, this wrap (in the mechanical frame of reference) is every 120degrees



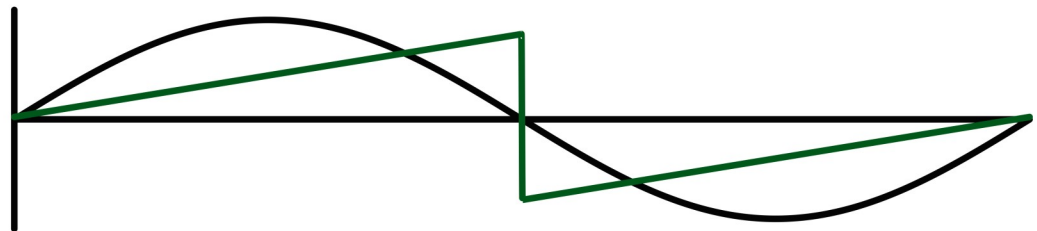
For an 8 pole machine, 4pole-pair, this wrap (in the mechanical frame of reference) is every 90degrees.



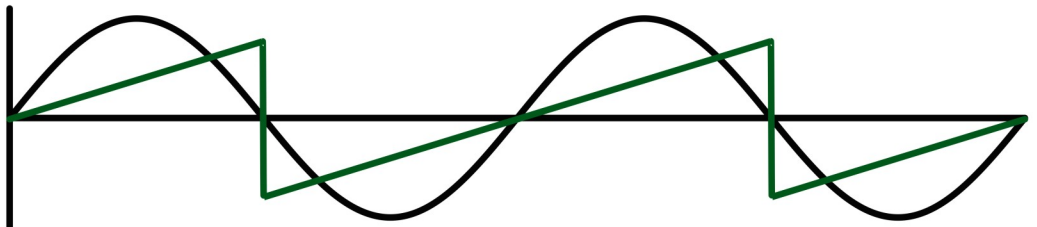
If you unwrap a machine stator (see below for a 2pole-pair) the difference becomes clear



Mechanical



Electrical



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answered May 21, 2017 at 10:58



user16222

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No i am not able to understand. – [rajesh](#) May 21, 2017 at 11:06

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What exactly don't you understand – user16222 May 21, 2017 at 11:11

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If my mechanical angle is 360 then electrical angle will be  $8 * 360$  degrees, if it is 8 pole pair. Please help. – [rajesh](#) May 21, 2017 at 11:12

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The electrical angle would be 0 or  $4*360$  (as  $0=360$ ) if you were to unwrap the angle. I do not know you low level implementation but the usual method is to calculate mechanical, multiply by pole-pair count & ensure the register wraps – user16222 May 21, 2017 at 11:15

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void encoderInterrupt(void) { encoderincr++; mechanical_angle = encoderincr * 360 /  
ENCODER_COUNTER; /* ENCODER_COUNTER is the number of counts for one revolution */  
if(mechanical_angle > 360) { encoderincr=0; } electricalangle = NOPOLEPAIR * mechanical_angle; }  
– rajesh May 21, 2017 at 11:51
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