

Task 4 Test jig Assembly and Stepper Motor Interface

A. Problem Statement

Assemble test jig for DBTM module and develop stepper motor control codes for velocity, acceleration, and motion profiles, including safety and calibration.

B. Sub-tasks Completed

1. Assembled the test jig and resolved mechanical issues (belt, parts).
2. Interfaced Stepper Motor with Test Jig. Building & testing Stepper motor with test codes.
3. Developed and formulated code for object travel using Stepper motor for user-defined modes as follows:
 - Acceleration Mode (user Define acceleration & target velocity).
 - Constant Velocity Mode (user defined velocity).
 - Trapezoidal mode (user defined acceleration distance, deceleration distance, acceleration & cruise velocity).
 - Distance mode (user defined distance).
4. Building and testing additional features:
 - Home / Calibration
 - Emergency overshoot switches for safety
 - Emergency stop
5. Assisted in gyro meter/accelerometer calibration using test jig.

C. Efforts Details

| Date | Activity | Description | Duration/Status |
|------------|---|---|-----------------------------|
| 2025-06-23 | Test jig assembly, stepper motor code | Initial setup; resolved belt issue | 1 day – Belt issue resolved |
| 2025-06-24 | Continued assembly | Progress delayed due to parts | 1 day – Parts issue |
| 2025-06-25 | New parts assembled | All parts assembled successfully | 1 day – Issue resolved |
| 2025-06-26 | Stepper code for velocity/acceleration | Velocity and acceleration code developed | 1 day – Code tested |
| 2025-06-27 | Constant velocity, home return, calibration, code merge | Code for multiple modes integrated and tested | 1 day – Code tested |
| 2025-07-01 | Gyrometer/accelerometer testing with test jig | Sensor data collected and analyzed | 1 day – Data recorded |
| 2025-07-02 | Trapezoidal mode, equation verification, safety switch | Verified motion logic and safety integration | 1 day – Code tested |

D. Observations / Learnings

- Mechanical issues (belt, parts) are common and require prompt resolution.
- Safety features (limit switches) are essential for reliable operation.
- Trapezoidal motion requires user inputs to satisfy Newton's equations.
- Stepper motor steps configuration and gear ratio concept.

E. Deliverables:

1. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/14l8GVKDn965BvZs6LdbXEtlGGaPAGgmm>
2. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/11fDq84Dhw3kQpRzCxUMcEHWGkgmYfuBq>

F. Conclusion

- Test Jig assembled, tested and validated successfully.
- All codes for motion profiles and safety features are tested and validated successfully.
- Feedback and calibration routines are in place for accurate stepper control.