
Field Oriented Control of Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motors

User's Guide



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Introduction

Microsemi® offers a simple, low cost way to try the SmartFusion® products for the development of motor control application. SmartFusion customizable system-on-chip (cSoC) field programmable gate array (FPGA) devices contain a hard embedded microcontroller subsystem (MSS), and FPGA fabric consisting of logic tiles, static random access memory (SRAM), and phase-locked loops (PLLs). The MSS consists of a 100 MHz ARM® Cortex™-M3 processor, communications matrix, system registers, Ethernet MAC, DMA engine, real-time counter (RTC), embedded nonvolatile memory (eNVM), embedded SRAM (eSRAM), and fabric interface controller (FIC).

The SmartFusion cSoC devices have major advantages in terms of fabric, MSS, and analog compute engine (ACE) in the development of motor drives and control, power supply regulators, solar inverters etc. With a fabric-based motor controller, the designers have the advantage of flexibility in terms of design and having reliable and deterministic performance.

The SmartFusion Evaluation and Development Kit Boards are developed in a generic way that can be used with the custom inverter board for the development of majority of the motor control applications. This manual explains in detail the design of Closed loop speed control of Brushless DC motor with Block commutation using Hall Sensors, that is developed based on the following hardware platform:

The SmartFusion Development Kit Board (A2F-DEV-KIT) or the SmartFusion Evaluation Kit Board (A2F-EVAL-KIT) with an A2F200 device. Any new version of the board with A2F500 the project has to be recompiled again.

The Trinamic TMC2102-Motor Control Daughter Board Kit (TMC2102-AC-840).

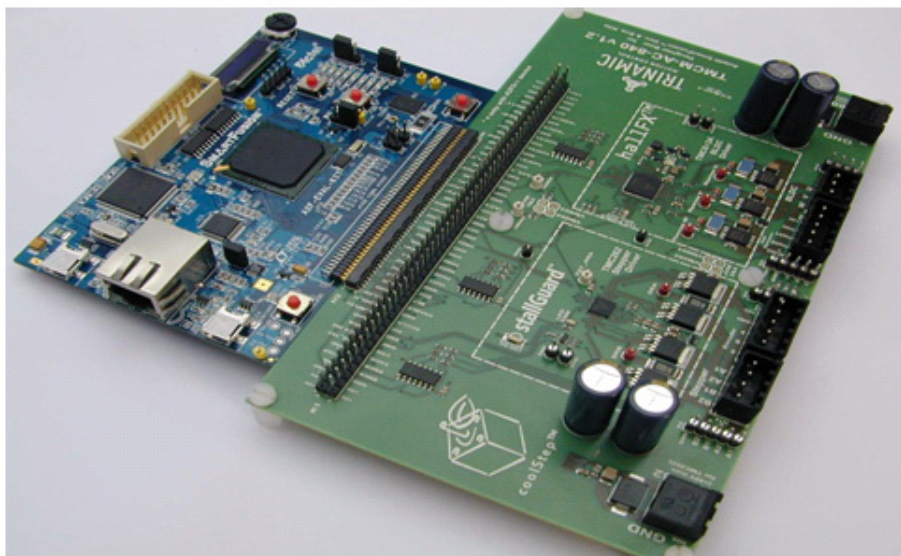


Figure 0-1 • Trinamic TMC2102-Motor Control Daughter Board Kit (TMC2102-AC-840)

Reference documents:

1. SmartFusion cSoC user's guides & manuals
(www.microsemi.com/soc/products/smartfusion/docs.aspx)
2. SmartFusion Development Kit Board User's Guide
(www.microsemi.com/documents/A2F500_DEV_KIT_UG.pdf)
3. SmartFusion Evaluation Kit Board User's Guide
(www.microsemi.com/documents/A2F_EVAL_KIT_UG.pdf)

4. Trinamic Kit User Manual (www.trinamic.com/tmctechlibcd/integrated_circuits/TMCM-AC-840/TMCM-AC-840_manual.pdf)
5. Trinamic 603A chip User Manual
(www.trinamic.com/tmctechlibcd/integrated_circuits/TMC603/tmc603_datasheet.pdf)
6. BLDC motor datasheet
(www.trinamic.com/tmc/media/Downloads/QMot_motors/QBL4208/QBL4208_manual.pdf)

1 – Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor

Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (PMSM) is a rotating electrical machine that has the stator phase windings and rotor permanent magnets. The air gap magnetic field is provided by these permanent magnets and hence it remains constant. The conventional DC motor commutates itself with the use of a mechanical commutator whereas PMSM needs electronic commutation for the direction control of current through the windings. As the PMSM motors have the armature coils at the stator, they need to be commutated externally with the help of an external switching circuit and a three phase inverter topology is used for this purpose.

The PMSM and the driving inverter bridge topology are shown in [Figure 1-1](#).

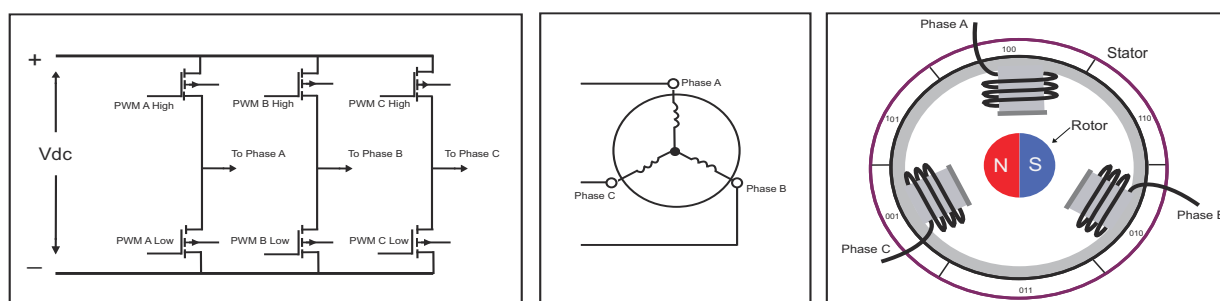


Figure 1-1 • PMSM Motor and Driving Inverter Topology

The torque is produced because the interaction of the two magnetic fields causes the motors to rotate. In permanent magnet motors, one of the magnetic fields is created by permanent magnets and the other is created by the stator coils. The maximum torque is produced when the magnetic vector of the rotor is at 90 degrees to the magnetic vector of the stator.

In the Block Commutation technique, there are only two coils conducting at any given point of time and the third coil remains unexcited. This causes a misalignment between the stator and rotor magnetic fields and hence the ripples are introduced to the torque. The torque ripples produce more noise, vibration and wear to the system.

In the Sinusoidal Commutation technique, all the three coils are conducting at any given point of time. The currents through the coils are Sinusoidal and are phase displaced by 120 degrees. The torque produced will be smooth and has no or less torque ripples. The torque production in Sinusoidal and Trapezoidal motors is shown in Figure 1-2.

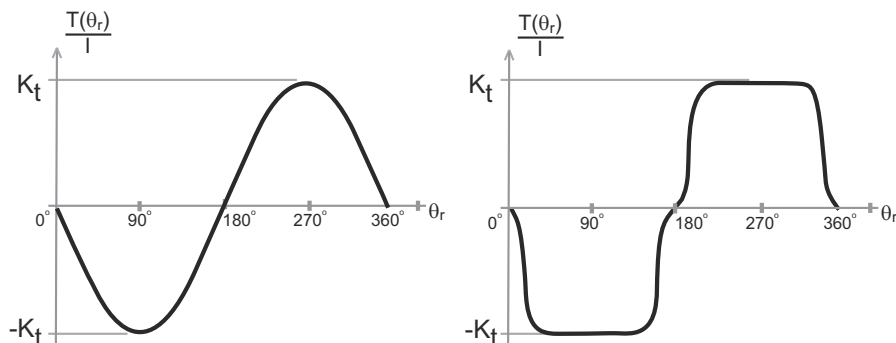


Figure 1-2 • Torque Production for Sinusoidal and Trapezoidal Motors

Field Oriented Control Theory

In DC motors, the flux and torque producing currents are orthogonal and can be controlled independently. The magneto motive forces, developed by these currents are also held orthogonal.

The torque developed is given by the equation

$$T_e = K_a \phi (I_f) I_a$$

where

$\phi (I_f)$ - flux

I_a - armature current

Hence the flux is only dependent on the field winding current. If the flux is held constant, then the torque can be controlled by the armature current. For this reason DC machines are said to have decoupled or have independent control of torque and flux.

In AC machines, the stator and rotor fields are not orthogonal to each other. The only current that can be controlled is the stator current. Field Oriented Control is the technique used to achieve the decoupled control of torque and flux by transforming the stator current quantities (phase currents) from stationary reference frame to torque and flux producing currents components in rotating reference frame.

Advantages of FOC:

- Transformation of a complex and coupled AC model into a simple linear system
- Independent control of torque and flux, similar to a DC motor
- Fast dynamic response and good transient and steady state performance
- High torque and low current at startup
- High Efficiency
- Wide speed range through field weakening

FOC technique involves three reference frames and needs transformations from one to the other.

1. Stator reference frame (a,b,c) in which the a,b,c are co-planar, at 120 degrees to each other.
2. An orthogonal reference frame (ab) in the same plane as the stator reference frame in which the angle between the two axes is 90 degrees instead of 120 degrees. The a axis is aligned with a axis in the second frame.
3. Rotor reference frame (dq), in which the d axis is along the N and S poles or along the flux vector of the rotor and the q axis is at 90 degrees to the d axis.

Figure 1-3 shows the transformations done for decoupling the stator currents into the torque producing (I_q) and flux producing (I_d) components.

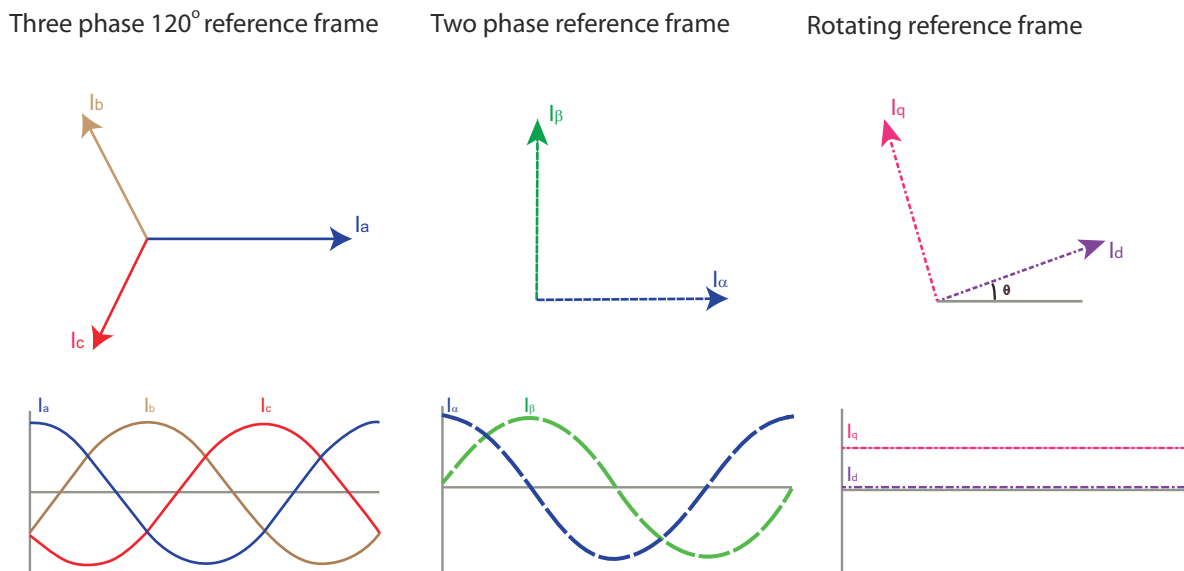


Figure 1-3 • Transformations and Reference Frames

The combined representation of the quantities in the entire reference frames is shown in Figure 1-4.

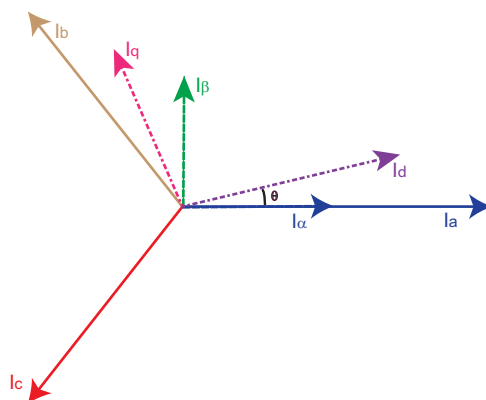


Figure 1-4 • Combined Vector Representation of All Transformed Quantities

Once the torque and flux producing components are controlled with the PI controller, the controlled outputs which are the voltages, are then transformed back (inverse transformation) to the stator reference frame.

Transformations

In FOC, the components I_q and I_d are referenced to the rotating reference frame. Hence the measured stator currents have to be transformed from the three phase time variant stator reference frame to the two axis rotating dq rotor reference frame. This can be done in two steps as shown in Figure 1-5.

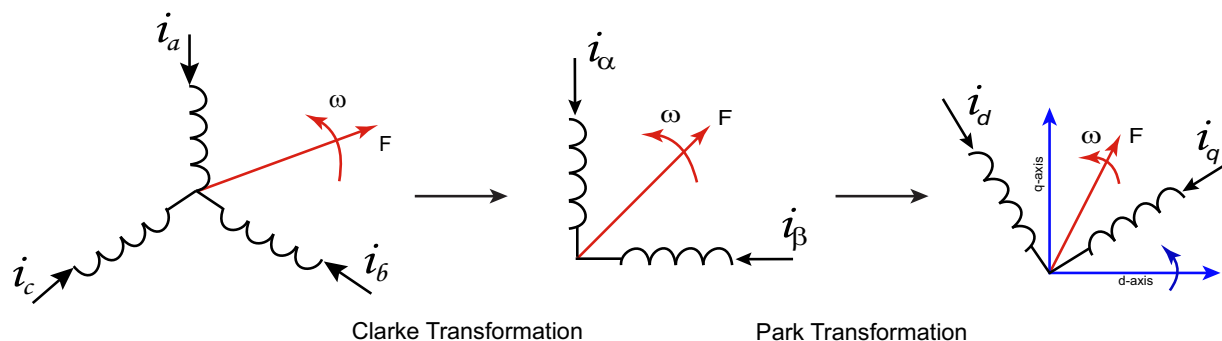


Figure 1-5 • Forward Transformations

The transformation from the 3-phase 120 degree reference frame to two axis orthogonal reference frame is known as Clarke transform. Similarly the transformation from two axis orthogonal reference frame to the two axis rotating reference frame is known as Park transform.

Clarke Transformation

The measured motor currents are first translated from the 3-phase reference frame to the two axis orthogonal reference frame. The transform is expressed by the following equations.

$$I_\alpha = I_a$$

$$I_\beta = (I_a + 2I_b)/\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{Where } I_a + I_b + I_c = 0$$

Park Transformation

The two axis orthogonal stationary reference frame quantities are then transformed to rotating reference frame quantities. The transform is expressed by the following equations:

$$I_d = I_\alpha \cos\theta + I_\beta \sin\theta$$

$$I_q = I_\beta \cos\theta - I_\alpha \sin\theta$$

Inverse Park Transformation

Now the outputs of the PI controllers provide the voltage components in the rotating reference frame. Thus an inverse of the previous process has to be applied to get the reference voltage waveforms in stationary reference frame. At first, the quantities in rotating reference frame are transformed to two axis orthogonal stationary reference frame using Inverse Park transformation. The Inverse Park transformation is expressed by the following equations:

$$V_\alpha = V_d \cos\theta - V_q \sin\theta$$

$$V_\beta = V_q \cos\theta + V_d \sin\theta$$

Inverse Clarke transformation

The transformation from two axis orthogonal stationary reference frame to the three phase stator stationary reference frame, is accomplished using the inverse Clarke transformation. The inverse Clarke transformation is expressed by the following equations

$$V_a = V_\alpha$$

$$V_b = [-V_\alpha + \sqrt{3} \cdot V_\beta]/2$$

$$V_c = [-V_\alpha - \sqrt{3} \cdot V_\beta]/2$$

Sinusoidal Voltage and SVPWM Generation

The output of the inverse Clarke transformation provides the duty cycles of the Pulse-width modulation (PWM) channels that corresponds to the three Phase voltages. For sinusoidal excitation of the phase voltages, these duty cycle values are used directly. There are many conventional ways of implementing the SVPWM algorithm available. A simplified approach which is equivalent to the conventional modulation strategy is used in this current implementation.

In this approach the instantaneous average of the minimum and maximum of all the three phase voltages is calculated as the Voltage offset. Then this instantaneous Voltage offset is subtracted from the instantaneous three phase voltages.

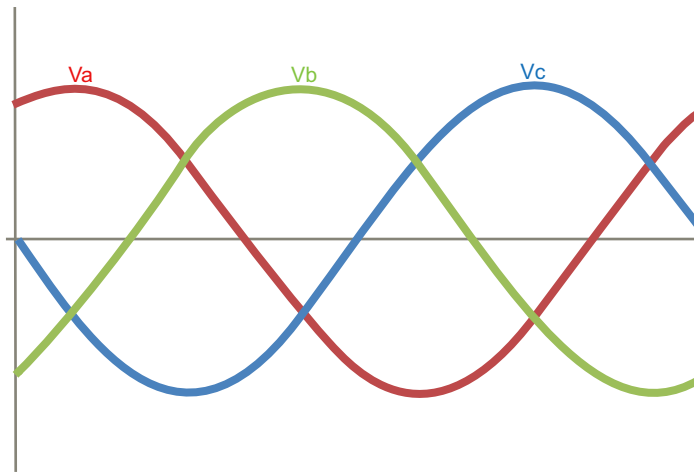


Figure 1-6 • Sine PWM

For the SVPWM (Sine with 3rd harmonics injection) the following procedure is used:

$$V_{off} = [\min(V_a, V_b, V_c) + \max(V_a, V_b, V_c)]/2$$

$$V_{a_{new}} = V_a - V_{off}$$

$$V_{b_{new}} = V_b - V_{off}$$

$$V_{c_{new}} = V_c - V_{off}$$

The final voltage waveforms are shown in [Figure 1-7](#).

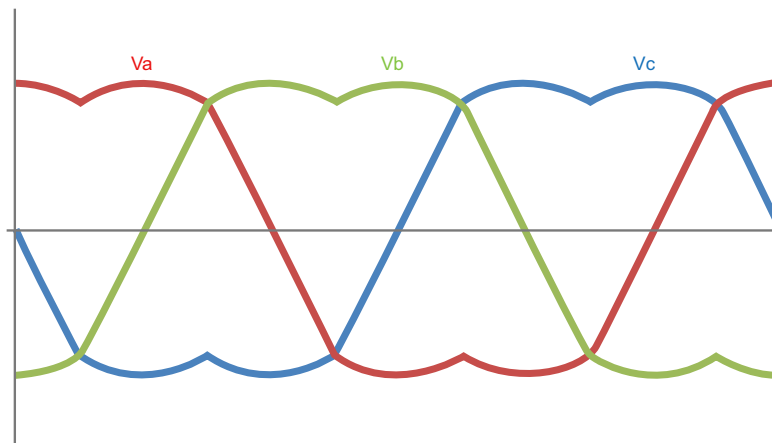


Figure 1-7 • SVPWM

PWM Generation

Generation of three phase Edge aligned PWM is supported in the demo design. Dead time insertion logic is included in order to avoid the short circuit of the inverter's high and low side switches. Total of 6 PWM signals generated, 3 for the High side, and 3 low for side switches. The PWM for high and low side switches are complementary for the same inverter leg.

The principle of operation of edge aligned PWM is shown in [Figure 1-8](#).

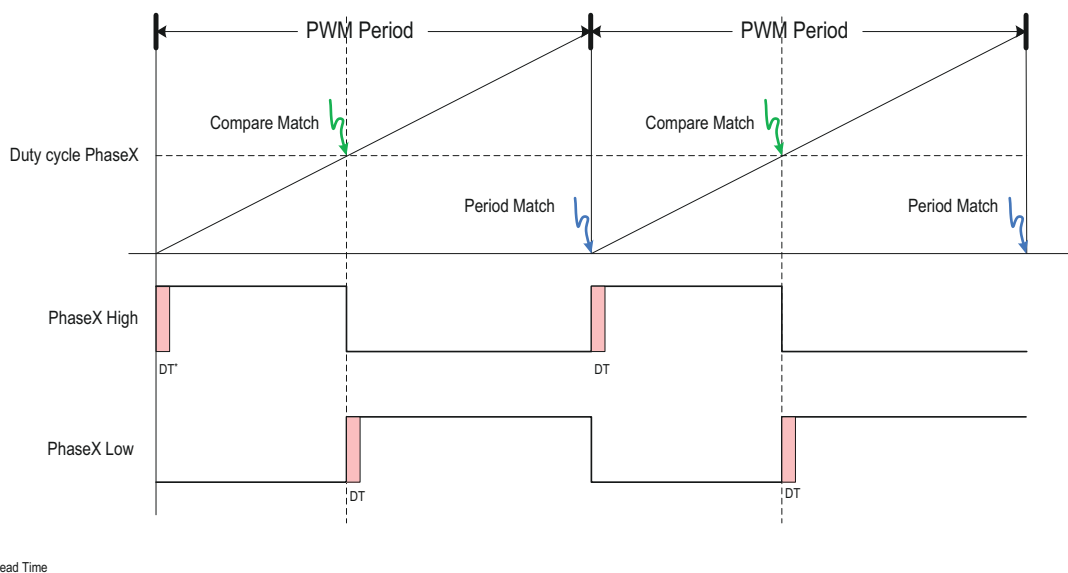


Figure 1-8 • Edge Aligned PWM

Phase Current Measurement Using ADC

The three phase currents can be measured using external current shunt resistors available at the lower side of the metal-oxide-semiconductor field-effect transistor (MOSFET) switches of the inverter. Three 10 m shunt resistors are used for the measurement of the phase currents. One end of the shunt resistor is connected to the low-side MOSFET and the other end is connected to the GND of DC Bus Voltage. The voltages across the shunt resistors are seen at the connections Rsense1, Rsense2, and Rsense3.

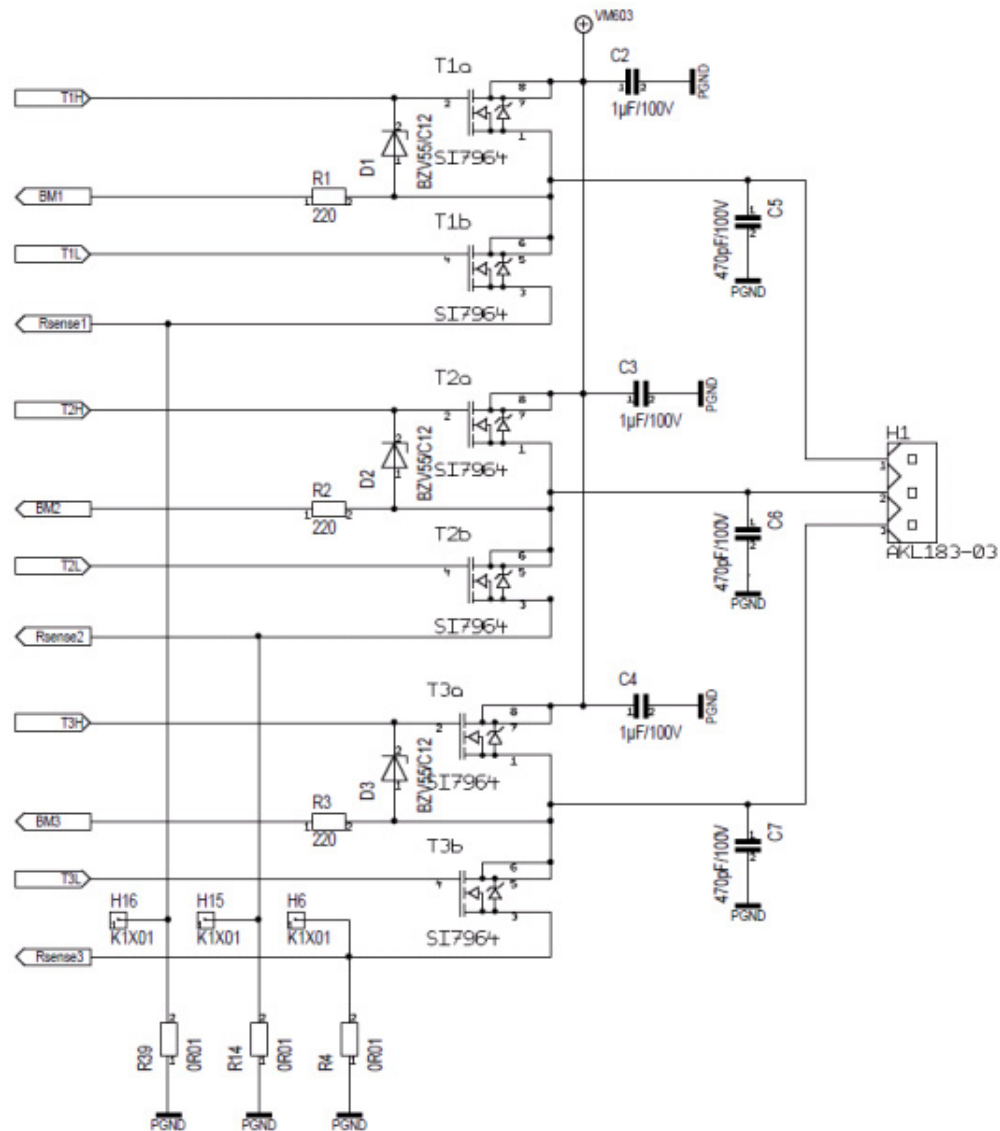


Figure 1-9 • Three Phase Current Measurement with Shunt Resistors

The measured voltages across the shunt resistors are amplified to match the ADC input voltage ranges. The amplified currents CUR1, CUR2, and CUR3 from the TCM 840 board are connected to the ABPS inputs of the SmartFusion device.

Table 1-1 • Current Measurement Pin Configuration

Signal Name	TMC603 pin	SmartFusion Pin	Description
CUR1	61	W9	ABPS2 input and voltage range [± 2.56]V
CUR2	62	AB7	ABPS3 input and voltage range [± 2.56]V
CUR3	65	W12	ABPS6 input and voltage range [± 2.56]V

The measured currents are amplified using the in built op-amp circuitry available with the TMC603 device. Figure 1-10 shows the internal op-amp circuit available with TMC603 device.

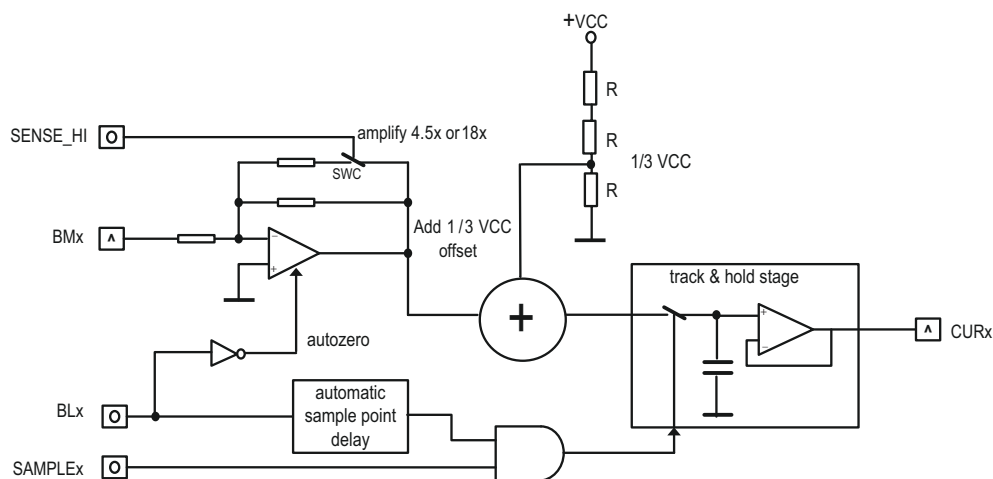


Figure 1-10 • Current Measurement Amplifier

The TMC603 CURx outputs deliver a signal centered to 1/3 of the 5V VCC supply. This allows the measurement of the both, negative and positive signals. The current amplifier is an inverting type. For the zero voltage input the amplifier outputs a value of 1.667 mV. An amplification factor of 4.5 or 18 is selectable and it is selected as 18 in the current design.

Voltage across shunt resistor = Rshunt x Current through the resistor

For a current of 1A flowing through the resistor,

Voltage across shunt resistor = $0.01 \times 1 = 0.01\text{V}$ or 10 mV.

Voltage seen at the analog-to-digital converter (ADC) input = Zero Offset Voltage + Amplified voltage
 $= \text{Zero Offset Voltage} + (\text{Amplification Gain} \times \text{Voltage across shunt resistor})$
 $= 1.6667 + (18 \times 0.01) = 1.6667 + 0.18 = 1.8467 \text{ Volts}$

The voltage variation at the ADC input is about 0.2V per 1A current flowing through the shunt resistor.

The active bipolar prescalers (ABPS) inputs are configured for the input voltage range of ± 2.56 Volts.

The maximum positive voltage range possible with the circuit is $2.56 - 1.6667\text{V} = 0.9\text{V}$

The maximum current allowed will be $0.9/0.18 = 5\text{A}$

Few motors under no-load operation may draw very low current of the order of 50 mA to 100mA.

At 100mA, the voltage difference seen at the ADC input from zero current offset is given below,

Voltage difference = $0.1 \times 0.01 \times 18 = 0.018 \text{ V} = 18\text{mV}$.

No-load motor operation will be a problem not only at high speed operations but will be even challenging at very low speed operations. The motor QBL4208-41-04-006 draws very low current and hence it is recommended to run the demo with a small amount of load at the motor shaft.

The CUR1, CUR2, and CUR3 are connected to the active bipolar prescalers (ABPS) channels of the SmartFusion by default. In case of ABPS the 12 bits are used to represent - 2.56 V to 2.56 V. Each bit represents 0.3125 mV, where as in case of ADC direct channels, 12 bits are used to represent 0 to 2.56V. Each bit represents 0.625 mV.

By connecting the CUR1, CUR2 of Motor to the ADC direct channels, the resolution of the measured currents can be improved by double and thus improving the motor performance. This can be done with small wiring on the board as follows:

- Connect CUR1 Pin of the TMC daughter card Header K1 to the Pin ADC7 on the same header.
- Connect CUR2 Pin of the TMC daughter card Header K1 to the Pin AC1 on the same header.

Table 1-2 • Current Measurement Pin Configuration

Signal Name	TMC603 pin	SmartFusion Pin	Signal Name	TMC603 pin	SmartFusion Pin	Description
CUR1	61	W9	ADC7	91	T12	ADC Direct input and voltage range [0 to 2.56]V
CUR2	62	AB7	AC1	82	U9	ADC Direct input and voltage range [0 to 2.56]V

ADC Current Sampling Window

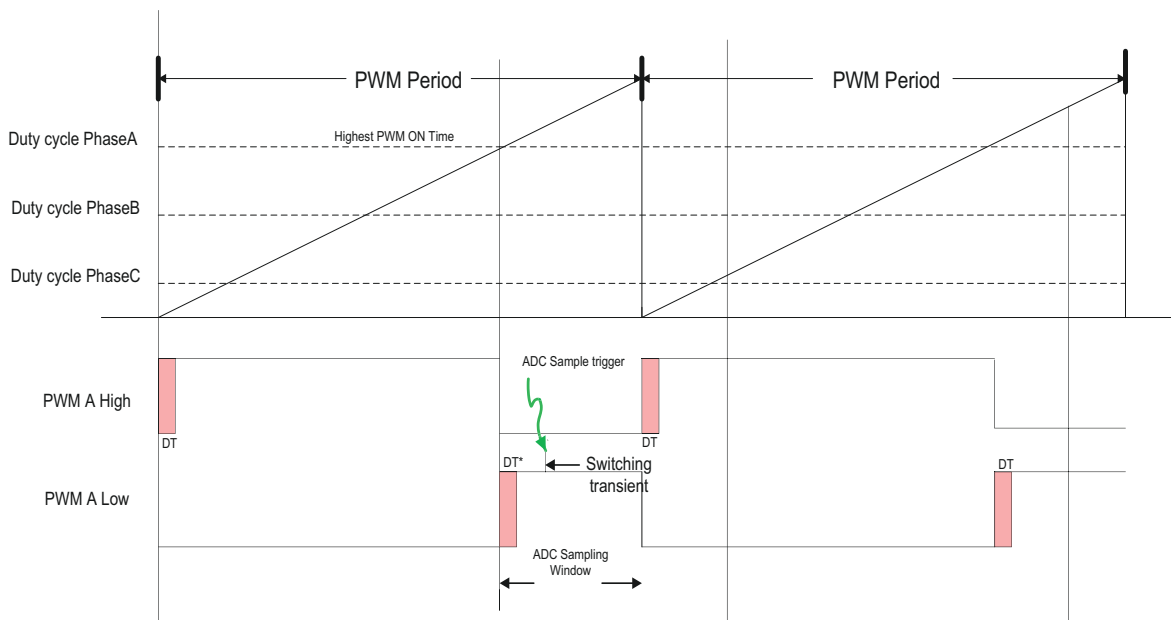
The low-side current measurements are done when the low side switches are ON. There are practical limitations in terms of current measurement. If the ON time duty cycle of any of the phases is high, then the ON time of the corresponding low-side switch will be low and current measurements are not possible.

The sample window available mainly depends on ADC sampling time, the ON time of low-side switches, dead time, and switching transient time. This will limit the high speed operations of the motor.

The current design supports two direct ADC phase current measurements of Current A and Current B.

The current sampling is triggered with the delay of about 6 unit separator (us) after all low-side switches are ON. The 6us delay will provide the time for dead time logic and current to reach for stable value due to switching transient.

The current trigger timing in Edge aligned PWM is shown in [Figure 1-11](#).



DT*: Dead Time

Figure 1-11 • ADC Sampling Timing with Edge Aligned PWM

Angle Estimation Using Hall Sensor State

For proper Sinusoidal commutation, the absolute rotor position information is very crucial in order to produce the synchronized voltage waveforms to the motor. To get fine position information, the motors will be equipped with Encoders or Resolvers, but these sensors add cost to the system. For low cost simple solution the motors which have Hall sensors can be used.

The demo design uses the motor, which has four pole pairs. We know that for every electrical cycle there are six Hall state changes and thus provides 60 degrees of precision. Each state corresponds to an electrical angle and we have six angle steps. [Figure 1-12](#) shows the Hall event changes and the corresponding angle information of the motor used in the demo design.

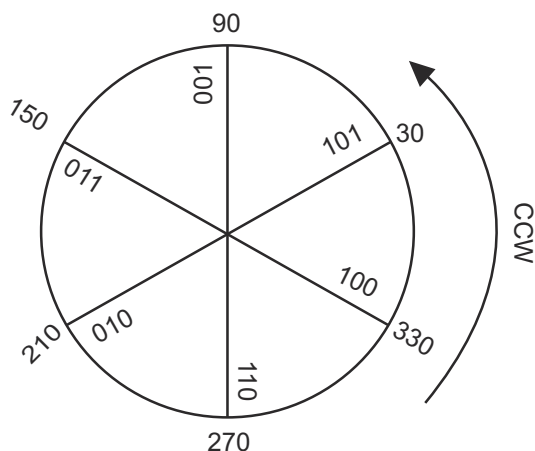


Figure 1-12 • Hall State Change Vs Corresponding Angle for CCW Direction

The Hall state change provides the information of the new electrical angle. In order to estimate the angle within the Hall state changes as the motor rotates, we can use the information available through these Hall state changes. that is, the time taken between Hall state changes or the number of PWM cycle events happened between Hall event changes. With the number of PWM cycle events happened between Hall event changes previously, the new angle can be estimated between Hall Events on every PWM cycle as shown in Figure 1-13. Also the estimated angle can be corrected when the next Hall event occurs. This method of angle estimation is not accurate and may not be well suitable for applications where load changes occur more frequently.

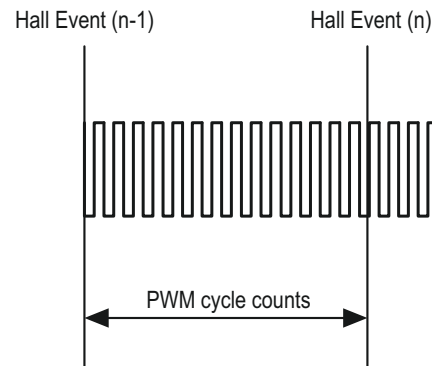


Figure 1-13 • PWM Cycle Counts Between Two Hall Event Change

The angle increment count corresponds to 360 degree of electrical revolution is calculated using the following formula

$$\text{Angle Increment per Electrical Revolution} = (\text{Number of PWM Counts between Hall Change}) / (\text{Fabric Frequency in MHz} \times \text{PWM Frequency in } \mu\text{s})$$

EQ 1-1

The angle increment between Hall states or within 60 electrical degrees is calculated using the following formula

$$\text{Angle Increment within 60 degrees} = (\text{Angle Increment per Electrical Revolution}) / (60)$$

EQ 1-2

Speed Calculation using Hall State

The Hall state changes provide the information on the position of the motor. For every electrical cycle there are six Hall state changes. If the time, taken between the Hall state changes, is available then the speed can be computed. A moving average technique is used to calculate the speed and this technique average the six of the previously calculated speed values.

$$\text{ActualSpeed}(n) = (\text{Speed}(n) + \text{Speed}(n-1) + \dots + \text{Speed}(n-5)) / 6$$

EQ 1-3

The flowchart of the complete FOC algorithm is shown in [Figure 2-2](#) and [Figure 2-3](#).

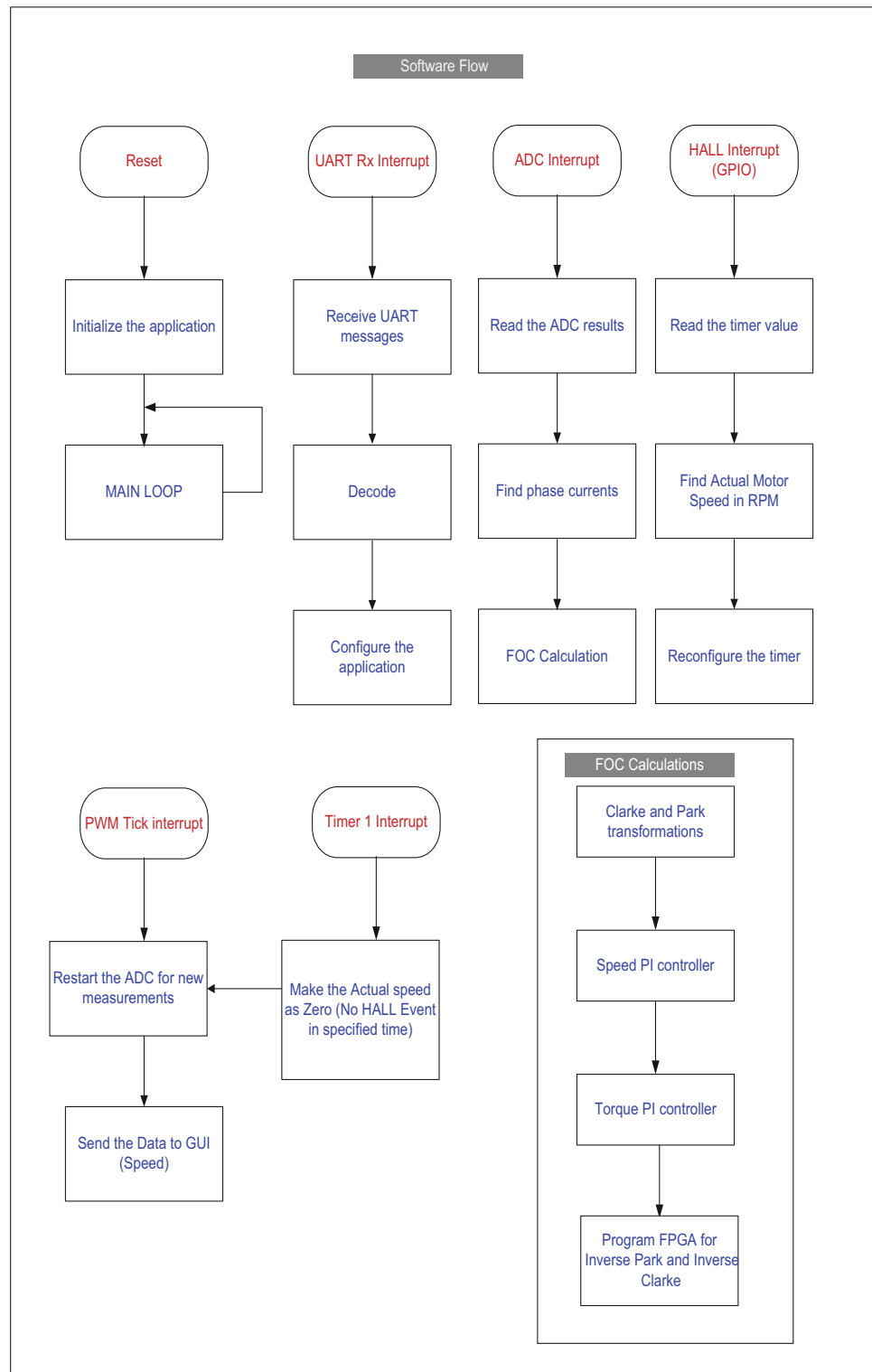


Figure 2-2 • Software Flow of FOC

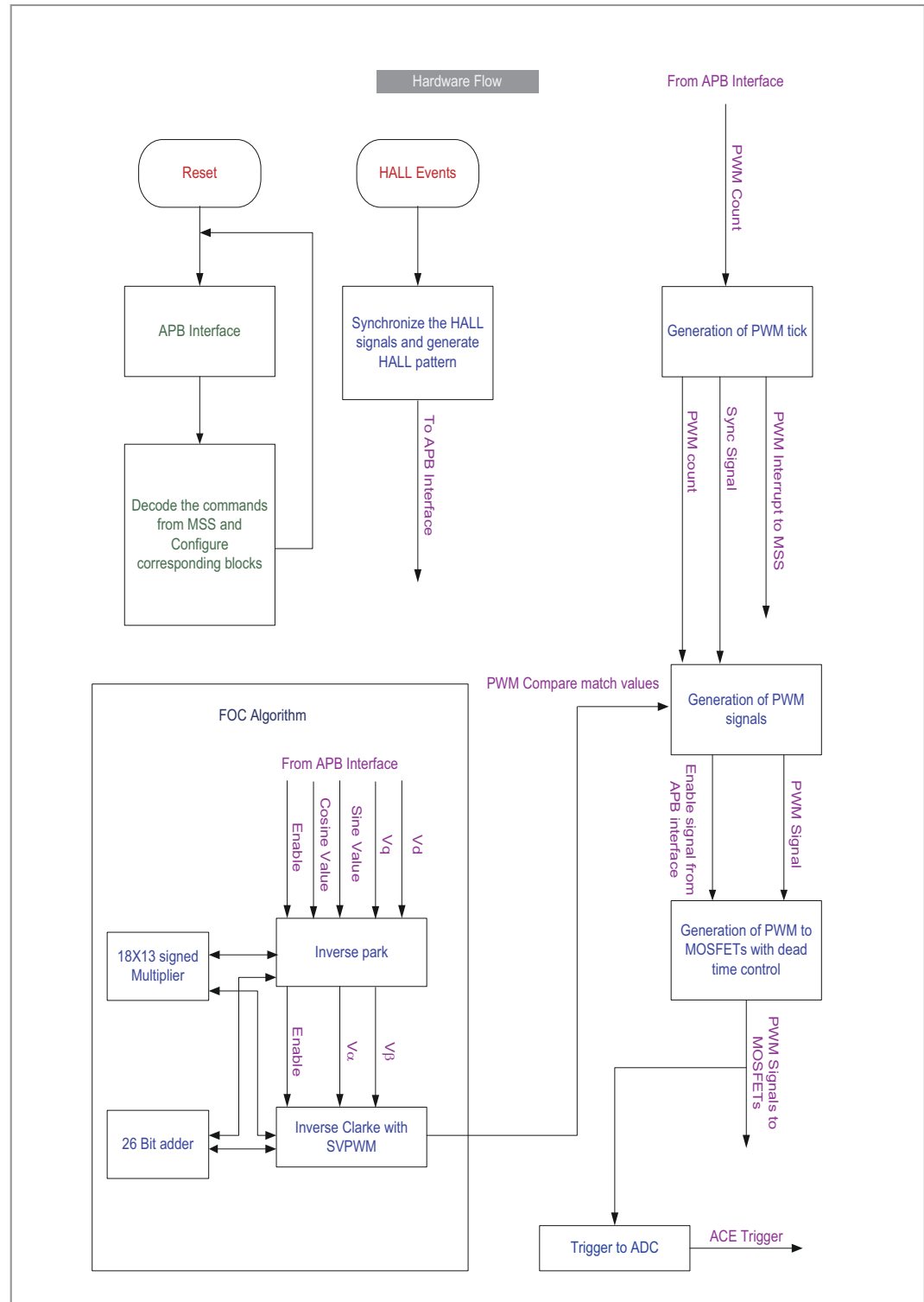


Figure 2-3 • Hardware Flow of FOC

Soon after the reset, the Cortex-M3 starts executing the FOC functions. During start up, it does all the initialization of all peripherals and FPGA fabric. Then it starts communicating with graphical user interface (GUI) running on host PC. It decodes all the configuration and parameters, then programs respective blocks. The analog compute engine (ACE) trigger logic in FPGA fabric generates trigger signal to ACE and in turn ACE generates interrupt to the Cortex-M3 when ADC results are available. Once the ADC results are available Cortex-M3 reads the ADC results and starts the FOC calculations like Angle calculations, Clarke, Park, PI controllers in MSS and Inverse park, Inverse Clarke, and PWM generations in FPGA fabric.

Software Implementation

The MSS operates at 75 MHz frequency and performs the following functions of the FOC:

- Interface with GUI
- ADC results reading and converting to actual currents
- ACE reconfigurations
- Speed calculation using Hard Timer
- Speed ramp functionality
- Angle calculation
- Speed PI controller
- Torque PI Controllers
- Clarke and Park transformations

The SW blocks in the [Figure 2-2 on page 20](#) shows the program flow sequence of the control and monitoring algorithm implemented in software. After the reset, the initialization of the MSS peripherals and parameters are done. After the initialization a while loop runs indefinitely. Cortex-M3 processor receives the following interrupts from various sources and each interrupt is processed with corresponding functionality.

- Interrupt from the universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter (UART): UART data from the GUI is processed. The GUI communicates with MSS through UART to program the configuration and control parameters of motor. Once the configuration and control parameters are programmed, then it enables the PWM generation in fabric. The fabric generates an interrupt to the ACE to sample the current values; after the sampling is done the ACE generates an interrupt to the MSS.
- Interrupt from general purpose input/output (GPIO) 1: This indicates HALL signal changes, which come from the FPGA fabric. Current count of the configured timer is read and speed calculation is done in this interrupt. The timer is reconfigured for the next speed calculation. This speed is the actual speed of the motor and it is passed to the Speed PI controller as one of the inputs to calculate the speed error from the reference speed
- Interrupt from the ACE: This indicates the availability of ADC sampling results for motor phase currents. The FPGA fabric triggers the ACE for sampling of motor phase currents, when all the bottom switches of the inverter bridge are ON. This is the starting point for the FOC calculations. Once the sampling of the motor phase currents are done, the ACE issues an interrupt to the Cortex-M3 processor. The Cortex-M3 reads the results and converts the ADC results into the actual currents. Then the FOC calculations are done in this Interrupt. Below are the functions executed in the interrupt handler.
 - Speed PI Controller
 - Clarke Transformation
 - Park Transformation
 - Torque PI Controllers
- Interrupt from FPGA fabric: This indicates the PWM tick, which is at 10 kHz rate. In this interrupt handler the ACE sequences are reconfigured for the motor phase currents during the current PWM period when all the low-side switches are ON.

Table 2-1 shows the details of the functions implemented in MSS:

Table 2-1 • The functions Implemented in MSS

Sr. No.	Function	Description
1	init_system()	This function initializes the different peripherals of MSS.
2	uart0_rx_handler()	This is the interrupt handler and it collects 3-Bytes from the GUI running on host PC. The first byte is ID and the subsequent two bytes are data.
3	UartMsgHandler()	This function decodes all the parameters and configures the different sections of the algorithm, which are programmed from the GUI running on host PC.
4	SendStreamDATA()	This function sends the speed and configuration data requested by the GUI running on the host PC. It always sends 3-Bytes of data. The first byte is ID and the subsequent two bytes are data.
5	timer1_config()	<p>The Hard Timer 1 in MSS is configured to calculate the number of clock cycles between the one of the HALL signal events, this count is used for the motor actual speed calculation in RPM.</p> <p>Timer 1 is configured for one-shot mode that will only generate an interrupt once when its down-counter reaches 0. It is explicitly reloaded to start decrementing again, whenever there is an interrupt from the HALL signal.</p> <p>The timer values are derived based on the minimum RPM specified by the user or the lower RPM is taken as 1. This specifies that if there is timer interrupt then it indicates that the motor is running below the minimum RPM specified by the user or motor is stopped.</p>
6	Timer1_IRQHandler()	This interrupt service routine (ISR) is mapped to the timer expiry, which indicates that the motor is running below the min speed of the motor specified by the user or that the Motor is stopped.
7	GPIO1_IRQHandler()	This ISR is mapped to the one of the HALL signals, In this function the current value of the time is read and the value is converted into the actual motor speed in RPM. The timer is reconfigured for the next Hall event to calculate the Motor speed in RPM at that time.
8	angle_estimation()	This implements the angle estimation logic using HALL and Interpolation technique. The angle is interpolated dynamically based on the number of PWM counts between HALL event changes.
9	ACE_PC0_Flag0_IRQHandler()	ISR is mapped to the ACE GP0 interrupt, which indicates completion of the current sampling. In this function the Motor currents are read from the ACE and translated to the original values. This interrupt occurs at PWM frequency, because the ACE is triggered from FPGA fabric for every PWM cycle to enable the ACE to sample the Motor phase currents. This also calls the FOC_Calculation() function.

Table 2-1 • The functions Implemented in MSS (continued)

Sr. No.	Function	Description
10	FOC_Calculation()	<p>This function also integrates the ramp up, ramp down profile for motor start, stop, and direction change based on the ramp profile enable selection. In some of the applications, a soft start/stop or acceleration of the motor is required. The reference speed is incremented or decremented until the required speed reference is reached at the rate of the ramp up speed specified or configured. However, the functionality can be disabled if required.</p> <p>The speed end reference is incremented or decremented based on the ramp rate you specify until the set reference speed is reached and the flag increment_speed is cleared with the value 0. As this function is called at every PWM period, the variable g_ramp_counter is incremented by 1 and compared with the g_ramp_count. Whenever the g-ramp-counter value exceeds the g_ramp_count, the flag increment_speed is set to 1.</p> <p>Then it calls the below functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • angle_correction_with_enc() for angle estimation • Clarke and Park for to calculate Iq and Id • Speed PI controller • Torque PI controllers • Inverse Park and Inverse Clarke Transformations in fabric <p>The Angle is calculated using the function angle_correction_with_enc().</p> <p>The same angle along with Phase currents is used in the Clarke and Park transformations to calculate Iq and Id.</p>
11	PIController()	This is the speed PI controller, it calculates the speed error (Desired speed - Actual speed) and it outputs the actual value to the Inner PI controller, which generates Vq for Inverse Park transformation.
12	clarke_park()	This function implements the Clark and Park transformations to generate the Iq and Id.
13	PIController_0	This is the inner PI controller. The reference Id, which is Zero, and the calculated Id from the Clarke and Park transformations are fed to the inner PI controller to calculate the Vd input to the inverse park, which is implemented in the FPGA fabric.
14	PIController_1	This is the inner PI controller, the calculated Iq from the Clarke and Park transformations and the Speed PI controller output are fed to the inner PI controller to calculate the Vq input to the inverse park, which is implemented in FPGA fabric.
15	Fabric_IRQHandler ()	This is the ISR, mapped to the GPIO 7, which indicates the start of the current sampling. This occurs once in every PWM cycle. In this function, the ACE is restarted for current sampling.

Table 2-2 shows the macros defined in "bldc_sc.h" file used to configure the different parameters of the parameters of FOC algorithm.

Table 2-2 • The Macros defined in "bldc_sc.h" File

Sr. No.	Function	Description
1	PWM_PERIOD_VAL	This value defines the PWM period. To set PWM frequency as 10 KHz (100 μ s), the value should be 7500 (100 * 10 ⁻⁶ * FPGA Frequency).
2	PWM_DEAD_TIME_VAL	This value defines the dead time for inverter bridge, the value is ~ 1 μ s.
3	FAB_FEQ	This defines the frequency at which the FPGA logic is running.

Table 2-2 • The Macros defined in "bldc_sc.h" File (continued)

Sr. No.	Function	Description
4	PWM_FREQ_IN_US	This defines the PWM period in micro seconds.
5	Hall_array	These values define the electrical angles corresponding to the HALL events. These values need to be identified and set appropriate values for different motors.

Table 2-3 shows the address mapping for different parameters in FPGA fabric.

Table 2-3 • Different Parameters in FPGA Fabric

Sr. No.	Register Name	Register Address	Description
1	PWM_PERIOD_REG_ADDR	0x40050A00UL	This defines the address of the PWM period register.
2	PWM_DEAD_TIME_REG_ADDR	0x40050A10UL	This defines the address of the Dead time register.
3	PWM_EN_REG_ADDR	0x40050A14UL	This defines the address of the PWM enable/disable register.
4	HALL_REG_ADDR	0x40050A18UL	This defines the address of the HALL pattern register.
5	SINE_VAL_INV_PARK_REG_ADDR	0x40050A34UL	This defines the address of Sine values for the angle calculated in angle estimation function (to the Inverse Park transformation in the fabric).
6	COS_VAL_INV_PARK_REG_ADDR	0x40050A38UL	This defines the address of Cosine values for the angle calculated in angle estimation function (to the Inverse Park transformation in the fabric).
7	VQpi_REG_ADDR	0x40050A3CUL	This defines the address of Vq calculated using the Torque PI Controller.
8	VDpi_REG_ADDR	0x40050A40UL	This defines the address of Vd calculated using the Torque PI Controller.
9	Valpha_REG_ADDR	0x40050A44UL	This defines the address of V calculated using Inverse Park transformation fabric. This can be used for debugging purpose.
10	Vbeta_REG_ADDR	0x40050A48UL	This defines the address of V calculated using Inverse Park transformation fabric. This can be used for debugging purpose.

Hardware Implementation

The logic implemented in the FPGA fabric, runs on 75 MHz clock from the clock conditioning circuit (CCC) and does the functions of the FOC as mentioned below:

- PWM generation with dead time
- Inverse Park
- Inverse Clarke with SVPWM
- APB interface
- HALL synchronization and pattern detection

The HW blocks in the [Figure 2-3 on page 21](#) shows the program flow sequence of the blocks implemented in the FPGA fabric. After the reset from the MSS the Advanced Peripheral Bus (APB) slave

implemented in FPGA fabric starts communicating with the MSS through the fabric interface controller (FIC). The APB slave decodes all the configuration data from the Cortex-M3 processor and assigns the configuration data like Vd and Vq, Sine, Cosine, PWM period, and dead time values to different modules. Once the PWM period and dead time are configured and PWM generation is enabled from Cortex-M3 processor, then the PWM count starts ticking and the count is passed to PWM compare match unit for every clock. The Cortex-M3 processor programs the Vd and Vq to Inverse Park transformation. The Inverse Park transformation calculates the Vd and Vq and passes to the Inverse Clarke transformation. In Inverse Clarke transformation calculates the PWM ON period with 3rd Harmonic injection by calculating minimum and maximum of the three phases. And then PWM ON values are passed to the PWM Compare match unit. The Compare match unit generates 3 PWM signals. These three PWM signals are fed to the dead time controller. It generates 3 PWM signals to the high side of Inverter Bridge and 3 PWM signals to the low side of Inverter Bridge.

The HALL synchronization logic synchronizes the HALL signals and decodes the pattern, which can be consumed by Cortex-M3 processor to calculate the angle. [Table 2-4](#) shows the details of the modules implemented in FPGA fabric.

Table 2-4 • The Details of the Modules Implemented in FPGA Fabric

Sr. No.	Module Name	Description
1	foc_top	This module is top-level module, which integrates all the sub modules.
2	apb_if.vhd	This module implements the APB interface to communicate MSS with Fabric. It decodes all the commands from the MSS and programs the corresponding block.
3	Foc_algo.vhd	This block has two major sub blocks called Inv_clarke (Inverse Clarke) and Inv_park (Inverse Park).
4	inv_park.vhd	In this block the Inverse Park transformations are implemented using state machine, Microsemi's standard macros 26-Bit adder, and 18x13 signed multipliers.
5	inv_clarke.vhd	In this block the inverse Clarke transformations are implemented using state machine, Microsemi's standard macros 26-Bit adder, and 18x13 signed multipliers. The resource sharing technique is used to share Microsemi's standard macros 26-Bit adder, and 18x13 signed multipliers between the Inverse park and Inverse Clarke transformations. This finally generates the PWM ON Time values for all three phases with SVPWM technique Please see the SVPWM techniques used in this solution
6	pwm_gen.vhd	This module takes the PWM ON time values from the sine commutation logic, compares against the PWM count, and generates the PWM signals.
7	pwm_count.vhd	This module generates sync pulse for every PWM period and PWM current count to generate the PWM signals. The width of the PWM counter is 14 bit and it is an edge aligned.
8	pwm_comp.vhd	This module generates the complementary signals for low-side switches.
9	hall_sync.vhd	The HALL synchronization logic synchronizes the HALL signals and decodes the pattern.

SVPWM Generation

The Inverse Clarke implements the SVPWM logic as mentioned in "[Sinusoidal Voltage and SVPWM Generation](#)" on page 11.

The Va, Vb, and Vc from the inverse Clarke are modified using the below equation

Phase A PWM On time period = $V_a - (\text{Max}(V_a, V_b, V_c) + \text{Min}(V_a, V_b, V_c))/2$

Phase B PWM On time period = $V_b - (\text{Max}(V_a, V_b, V_c) + \text{Min}(V_a, V_b, V_c))/2$

Phase C PWM On time period = $V_c - (\text{Max}(V_a, V_b, V_c) + \text{Min}(V_a, V_b, V_c))/2$

Figure 2-4 shows the SVPWM of Phase A.

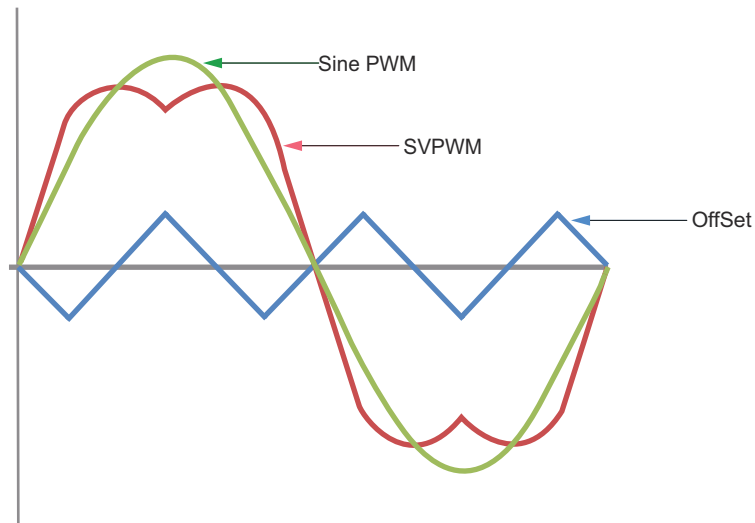


Figure 2-4 • The SVPWM of Phase A

Design Customizations

You can customize this solution to adapt to your motors. All the Motor parameters, PI controller parameters and current offsets are programmable through the provided GUI. Figure 2-5 shows the parameters that can be configured through GUI.

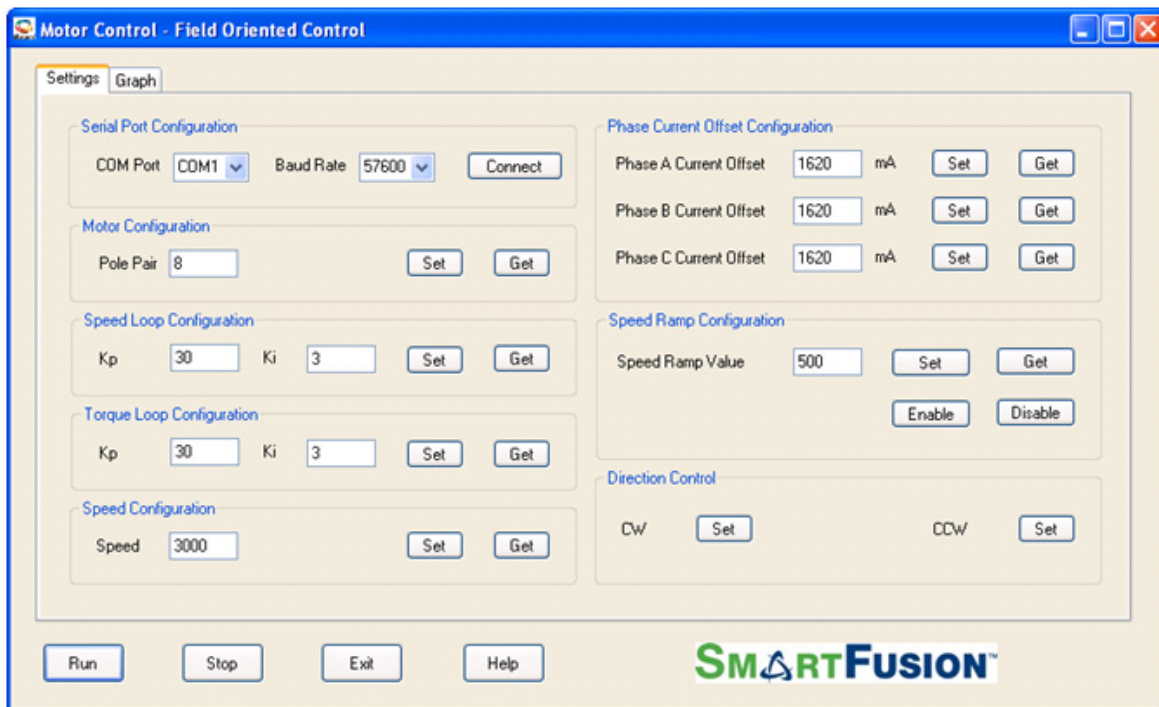


Figure 2-5 • The GUI for FOC

All the configurable parameters are set using the **Set** button and each one's authenticity of configuration can be confirmed by clicking the **Get** button.

All the configurable parameters are set using Set button and each one can be confirmed the authenticity of configuration by clicking the Get button.

1. Pole Pair: Defines the number of poles of the Motor Speed loop configurations:
 - Kp: This is the speed multiplication factor and this value is directly used in the speed PI controller without any scaling.
 - Ki: This is the speed error Integration factor and this values is directly used in the speed PI controller without any scaling
2. Torque loop configurations:
 - Kp: Torque multiplication factor and this value is directly used in the speed PI controller without any scaling.
 - Ki: This is the torque error Integration factor and this value is directly used in the speed PI controller without any scaling.
3. Speed configuration: This specifies the desired speed of the motor.
4. Phase Current offset configurations: The phase currents from the Motor pass through the different stages and are translated to the positive level. The Zero current is mapped to the 1.667 V that is mapped to the ADC direct input and the offset is used to determine the Zero current of the Motor. These parameters are provided to you as you can change these values if you are using your own board.
 - Phase A Current offset: defines the Zero current of the Phase A
 - Phase B Current offset: defines the Zero current of the Phase B
 - Phase B Current offset: defines the Zero current of the Phase C
5. Speed Ramp Configuration: You can specify the ramp value to ramp up or Ramp down the speed. Some of the applications need ramp profile to avoid sudden changes in the current.
6. Direction Control: This specifies the direction as Clock Wise (CW) and Counter Clock Wise(CCW).

Besides these configurations, if you want to customize the design further, you should change the code. Below are some of the possible customizations:

1. Changing PWM frequency: This may be required in different aspects like reducing the motor noise and better control. The PWM generation is implanted in the FPGA fabric, but the PWM period is programmable through software by changing PWM_PERIOD_VAL macro. The maximum width of the PWM is 13 bit, and it is unsigned. To set the PWM frequency as 20 KHz (50 μ s) the value of the PWM_PERIOD_VAL macro should be 3750 ($50 * 10^{-6} * \text{FPGA frequency}$).
2. Changing the Dead time: The Dead time control is implanted in the FPGA fabric, but the Dead time is programmable through software by changing PWM_DEAD_TIME_VAL macro. The maximum width is 13 bit, and it is unsigned. To set the Dead time as 1 μ s, the value of the PWM_DEAD_TIME_VAL macro should be 75 ($1 * 10^{-6} * \text{FPGA frequency}$).
3. HALL pattern change for angle: The HALL pattern is different for different motors and the angle corresponding to each motor is also different for different motors. To change the HALL pattern edit the Hall_angle array.
4. PI Controller scaling changes: The PI controller is tuned to the supplied motor. The speed PI controller output is scaled to 2 bit, Torque PI controllers output is scaled to 16 Bit. This scaling is done based on the ADC currents and their scaling values in subsequent Clarke and Park transformations, keeping in mind that the values should be normalized to unity in Inverse Clarke transformation before deriving the ON time periods.
5. Configuration changes: All the possible configuration changes can be done using the macros defined in the bldc_foc.h.

Performance Details

Figure 2-5 shows the Software and FPGA performance details.

Table 2-5 • Blocks Implemented in FPGA Fabric and in MSS

Blocks Implemented in FPGA Fabric (Operating frequency 75 MHz)					
	Blocks	Components Used	Time for Execution	Resource Utilization	Utilization (%) for A2F200
1	PWM (Edge aligned) Generation with dead time control	13-bit Adder, Comparators	Continuous generation	4219(tiles)	91.56%
2	Inverse Park	26-bit Adder, 18x13 Signed Multiplier	23 clock cycles		
3	Inverse Clarke (Third Harmonic Injection)		14 clock cycles		
4	APB Interface		Decode logic		
Blocks Implemented in MSS (Operating frequency 75 MHz)					
	Blocks	Components Used	Time for Execution		Code Size
1	ADC results collection		~9 μ s		61 KB
2	Angle estimation		~8 μ s		
3	Speed Calculation	Hard timer available in MSS	Doesn't consume the FOC time		
4	PI Controllers (Speed, Torque)	There are Three PI Controllers	~3 μ s * 3 = 9 μ s		
5	Clarke And Park Transformations		2.8 μ s		
6	UI Interface through UART		Not required, will be done when MSS is free		
	Total FOC Execution Time without speed calculation		~40 μ s		

3 – Hardware Configuration and Setup Details

This demonstration design is developed for using the SmartFusion Evaluation Kit Board with an A2F200 SmartFusion cSoC device. The project needs to be recompiled for any new version of the kit with A2F500 device accordingly.

Programming the Kit

1. Connect both USB cables to the evaluation board and verify that LEDs D11, D15, and LED1 turn on.
2. Launch FlashPro v10.0 (or later) [Figure 3-1.i](#)

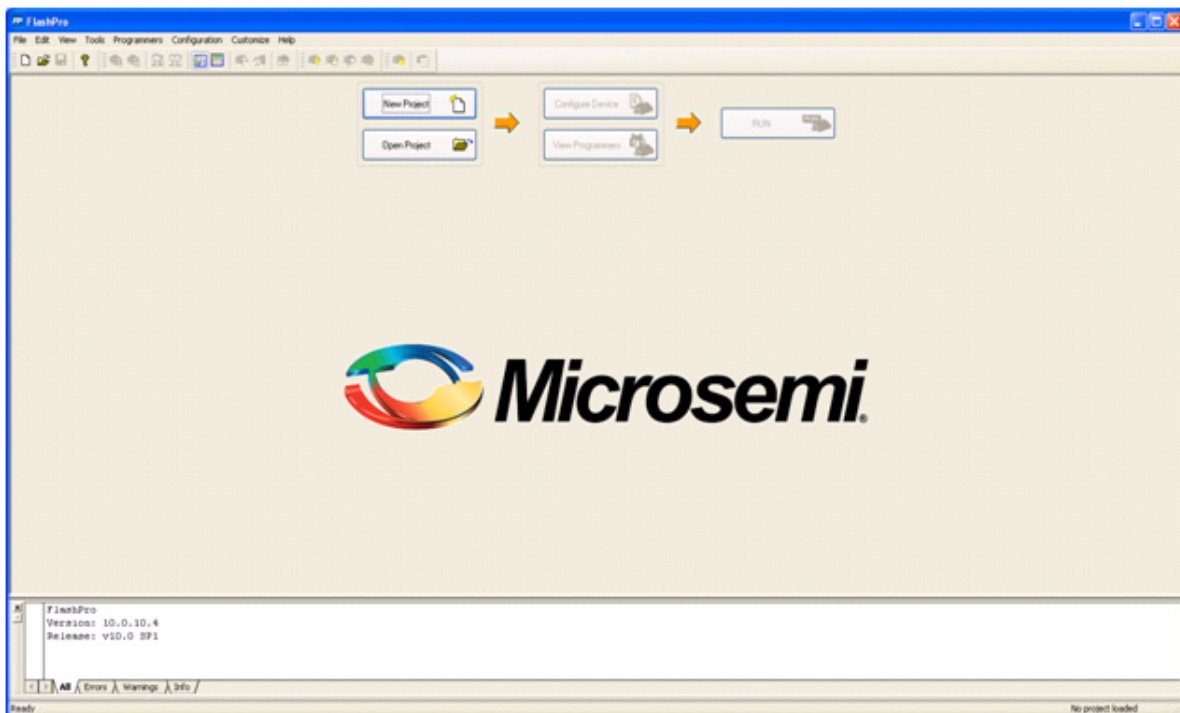


Figure 3-1 • Launch FlashPro

3. Click the **New Project** or click **File > New Project**.
4. In the New Project dialog box, type SF_DMC_FOC in the **Project Name** field. Make the Project Location be C:\Microsemi\SF_DMC_FOC.

- Choose **Single device** for Programming mode as shown in Figure 3-2.

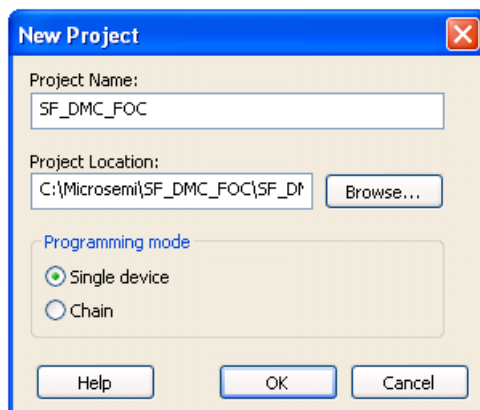


Figure 3-2 • New Project Creation in FlashPro

- Click **OK**. The FlashPro GUI is displayed.
- Download this file and place it in C:\Microsemi\SF_DMC_FOC.
- Click **Configure Device** and browse to the STAPL file C:\Microsemi\SF_DMC_FOC\A2F_DMC_FOC.stp
- Click **Program** to write to the device.
- Once the programming has been successful, the screen should look as shown in Figure 3-3.:

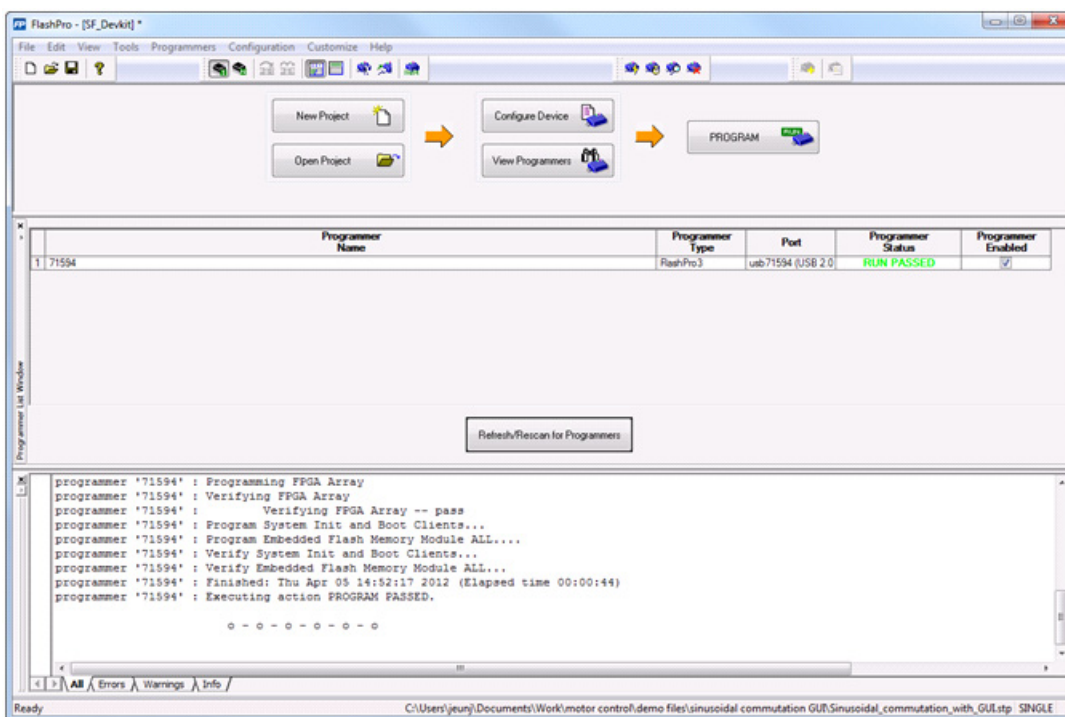


Figure 3-3 • End of Programming in FlashPro

- Unplug both USB cables from the SmartFusion Evaluation Kit Board.

Connecting the SmartFusion Evaluation/Development Kit with the Trinamic Kit

When you are using the SmartFusion Development Kit Board, connect the TMC262-AC-840 Daughter Board to J21(Mixed Signal Header) via the H3 board-to-board connector.

Note: Switch off all power supplies while connecting/disconnecting the SmartFusion Development/Evaluation Kit Board from the TMC262-AC-840 Daughter Board. There is a small air gap remaining between the SmartFusion board and Trinamic's daughter board as shown in Figure 3-4.



Figure 3-4 • H3 Board Connector Interface to the SmartFusion Kit

Connections for Programming the Kit

Programming with the SmartFusion Development Kit

1. Connect both USB cables supplied with the kit to J9 and J15 LCPS interface via the LC programmer board.
2. Connect 5V power supply to J1.

Programming with the SmartFusion Evaluation Kit

Connect both USB cables supplied with the kit to the USB/UART interface and the USB program and debug interface.

Connecting the BLDC Motor with the Trinamic Kit

Switch off all power supplies when connecting or disconnecting any motor to/from the TMCM-AC-840 Daughter Board. Connect the supplied BLDC Motor to the 3 pole motor connector H1 (UVW). Additionally, Hall Sensor signals can be connected to the 5 pole Hall signals connector H4 (+5V, GND, H1, H2, H3). See [Figure 3-5](#) for an example.

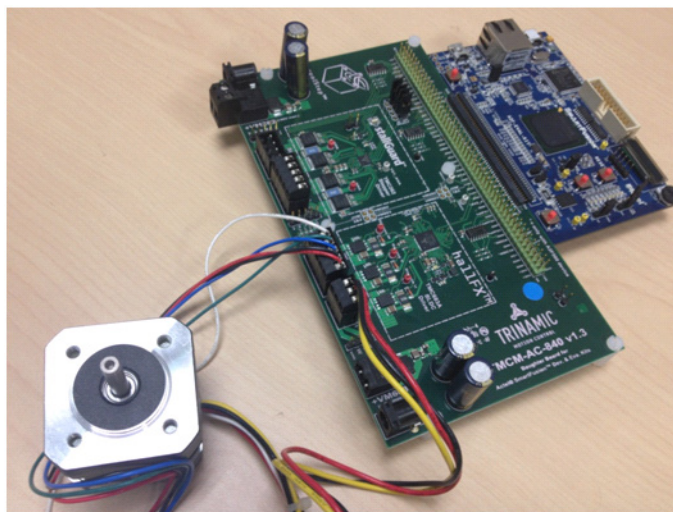


Figure 3-5 • Connecting BLDC Motor with Trinamic Kit

Motor Wiring Details

The Motor currents are connected to the ABPS channels of the SmartFusion, but the scaling on the ABPS for positive level is half of the ADC direct channels. To improve the performance, the motor currents should be connected the ADC direct channels. This also improves the ADC resolution. This can be done with small wiring on the board.

- Connect CUR1 Pin of the TMC daughter card Header K1 to the Pin ADC7 on the same header.
- Connect CUR2 Pin of the TMC daughter card Header K1 to the Pin AC1 on the same header.

The CUR1 and CUR2 are opposite to each other on the K1 header. And if you connect as mentioned above then these will look like cross connections. Use the short wire to connect as much as possible [Figure 3-6](#) shows the connection details..

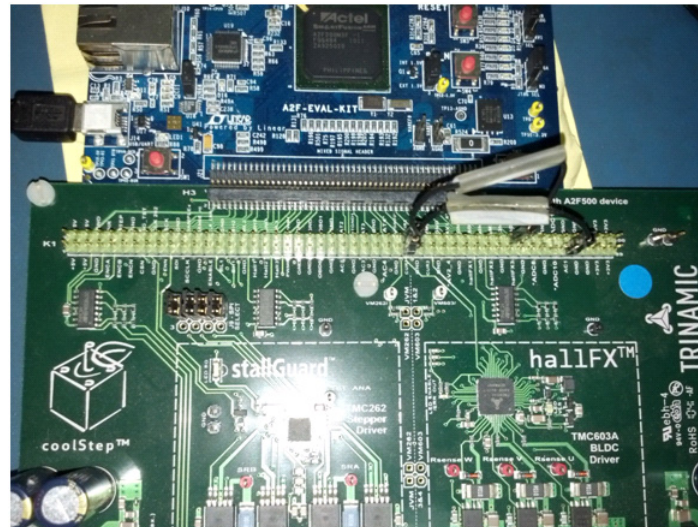


Figure 3-6 • Motor Currents Wiring Details

Watch the printed information ([Figure 3-7](#)) next to the motor connectors on the board. Connect the motor wires accordingly.









Cable type 1		Gauge	Function
Red		UL1007 AWG26	Vcc Hall Sensor +5VDC to +24VDC
Blue		UL1007 AWG26	Hall A
Green		UL1007 AWG26	Hall B
White		UL1007 AWG26	Hall C
Black		UL1007 AWG26	GND Hall Sensor Ground
Yellow		UL1007 AWG20	Phase U
Red		UL1007 AWG20	Phase V
Black		UL1007 AWG20	Phase W

Figure 3-7 • Motor Wiring Details

Power Supply Connection

Use the H2 connector in TMC840 Daughter Board for the power supply and the driver supports up to 48 V for VM603 (BLDC driver) as shown in [Figure 3-8](#).



Figure 3-8 • BLDC Driver Power Supply Connector

This kit comes with the following power supply adaptor and is safe to operate the motor under no-load conditions only.

Note: Any testing carried out with load may cause damage to the power adaptor as it has 1A max current limitation.

Dehner Elektronik SYS 1357-2424 Supply, 24 V/DC/1000 mA

- Manufactured by Sunny Computer Technology Europe
- Input 100-240V, 1.0A max., 50Hz
- Output +24VDC, 1A, 24W max

For higher current ratings (loaded conditions) DC external regulated power supply can be used and the BLDC driver can support for the maximum voltage of 48V and 4A. The power supply connection example is shown in [Figure 3-9](#).

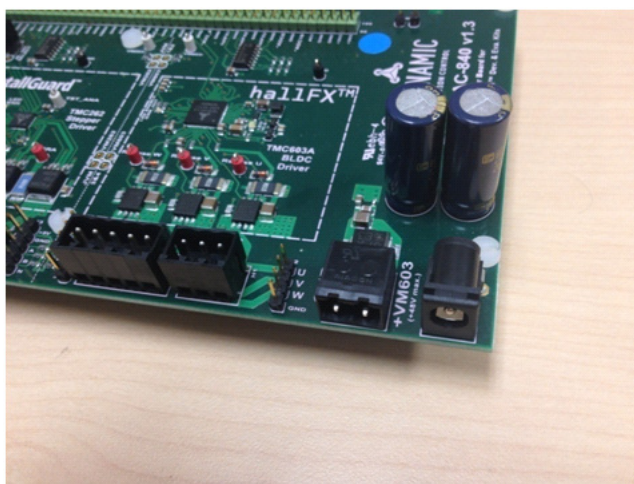


Figure 3-9 • Power Supply Connection

A – User Interface

1. Identify your COM port for the USB to UART Bridge in Device Manager. as shown in [Figure A-1](#).

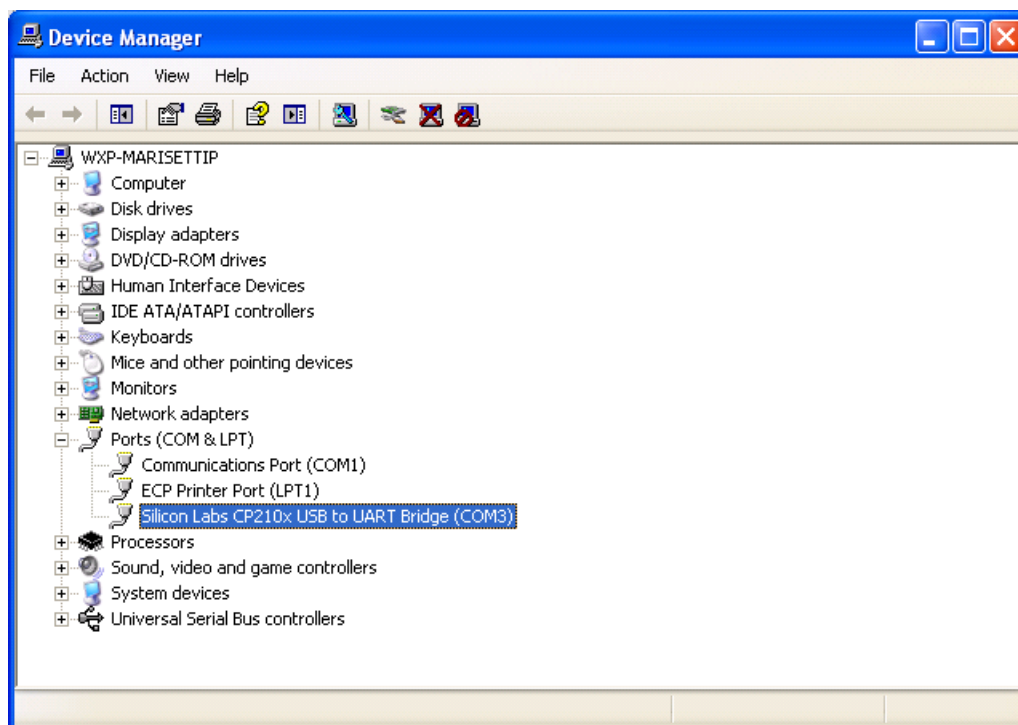


Figure A-1 • Device Manager

- Figure A-2 is the GUI for the FOC of the BLDC Motor.

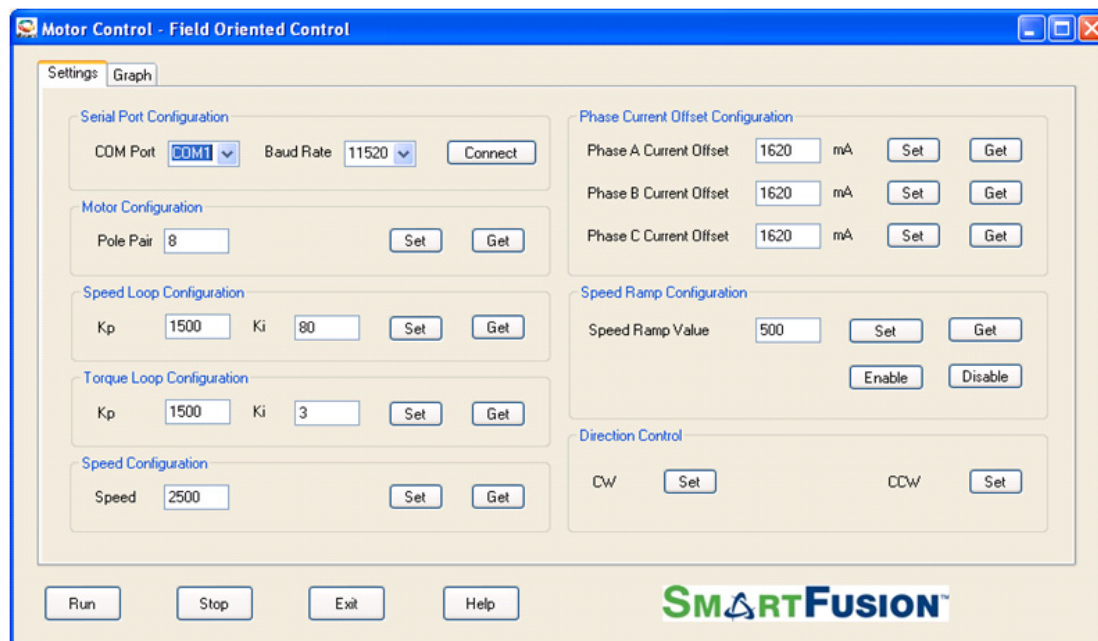


Figure A-2 • GUI for the FOC of the BLDC Motor

Description of Options

- In the Serial Port Configuration, select the correct COM port as specified in the Device Manager and set the **Baud Rate** to 115200.
- Click **Connect** to establish connection with the COM port.
- The GUI is programmed with the default configurations to run the default motor (QBL4208-41-04-006) that comes with the kit without any additional configurations.

Motor Configuration: Pole Pair represents the number of poles of the motor, and for the default motor it is 8 poles. Refer to the motor datasheet for configuring the number of poles. Any wrong configuration of the number of poles will affect the actual speed calculation and the closed loop operation.

Speed Loop Configurations: KI and KP constants Configurations for Speed loop (Default KI = 80; KP = 1500).

Torque Loop Configurations: KI and KP constants Configurations for Speed loop (Default KI = 80; KP = 1500).

Speed Configuration: Typically the value should be between 200 and 5000 RPM. For default motor, the desired speed is set to 2500 rpm as default. You can always change and observe the motor performance.

Speed Ramp Configuration: (Default value = 500): The default value of the ramp up rate is 500 RPM/s. The maximum value should be less than the desired speed. Minimum value should be greater than zero. Higher the RAMP value, lesser is the time to reach the desired speed. Click either enable or disable to choose the ramp functionality.

Direction Control: Clockwise (CW) or Counter-Clockwise (CCW) rotation.

Conclusion

This User's Guide describes the features of the SmartFusion cSoC FPGAs to develop an effective FOC motor control demo by partitioning the algorithms and implementing it in MSS and Fabric effectively. Having the functional blocks in Fabric, the CPU is offloaded and the MSS can perform any other system level operations. This FOC design uses the in built fabric, ACE, and MSS along with other peripherals. These features enable the solution for better integrity, low power, more reliability and security.

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