MATLAB Based DC Motor Control Lab

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1.0 Introduction

Wichita State University currently offers a variety of control courses. These range from introductory courses to those covering advanced topics such as optimal and robust control. A course in digital control is now being offered and has received great student interest. In a recent semester the 50 available seats were reserved on the first day of registration. The number of available seats was increased to 80, but these were quickly filled and many students still had to be turned away. This digital control class covers the underlying theory of digital control and the design of various classical controllers, such as PD, PID, PI, and lead compensators. However, there is currently not a lab component available to complement this course.

Many students struggle to understand the abstract concepts used in control. The understanding of concepts such as frequency response, poles and zeros, stability, and controller implementation can be greatly enhanced by a lab component [2]. Schools that have implemented a control laboratory have reported high student ratings and good industry feedback [2] [3]. In addition, a lab is of tremendous value when teaching topics such as modeling, implementation, and operation that are needed to properly prepare a student to work in industry [1].

In recent years this lack of a control lab has been addressed in various ways at many universities. For example, the University of Illinois addressed the issue with a 2000 square foot interdepartmental control lab with a full time lab manager [2]. The University of North Florida addressed the issue by creating an electrical engineering specific control lab with 13 lab stations [3]. Work has also been completed at the University of Minnesota to develop take home lab kits in order to further reduce the cost and space required for the lab [4].

Wichita State University currently owns a number of Quanser Engineering Trainers (QET). Among other components, this trainer contains a DC motor with an optical angle encoder, a programmable microcontroller with a serial port interface, and the necessary circuitry to power and interconnect these main components. A review of the QET is available in [8] and further discussion of the hardware is presented in Section 2 of this report. Custom code can be created for the installed microcontroller that can interface with the hardware as well as communicate with a PC over the serial port.

The goal of this project was to write C code for the microcontroller installed in the QET and to interface with it over a serial port on a standard PC using a graphical user interface in MATLAB. The purpose of this is to provide a low cost solution that will allow a student to implement and test a digital controller design. In this manner the student can obtain hands-on experience with implementing a digital controller without burden of writing all of the microcontroller and MATLAB code from scratch.

2.0 Quanser Engineering Trainer Hardware

The Quanser engineering trainer (QET) DC motor control trainer (DCMCT) is a unit produced by Quanser Consulting of Markham, Ontario, Canada. A picture of the QET DCMCT is shown in Figure 1. The Wichita State University units come with an installed QIC (Quanser Integrated Controller) board that contains a PIC 16F877 microcontroller. This unit also comes equipped with a high quality Maxon DC motor, a linear power amplifier that allows the QIC to apply a control voltage to the motor, a 1024 line optical encoder to measure the motor angle, a series resistor to allow the QIC to measure the current being used by the motor, and the hardware necessary to allow the microcontroller to interface with a PC through the provided serial port. Figure 2 shows a block diagram of the QET as it is used in this project for motor angular position control.

The trainer supports other capabilities that are not being used in this project. These include the ability to interface with Quanser HIL (hardware in the loop) boards through the provided analog ports, the availability of a potentiometer to read the angle of the motor, and the availability of a breadboard to prototype custom circuits.



Figure 1 Quanser Engineering DC Motor Control Trainer

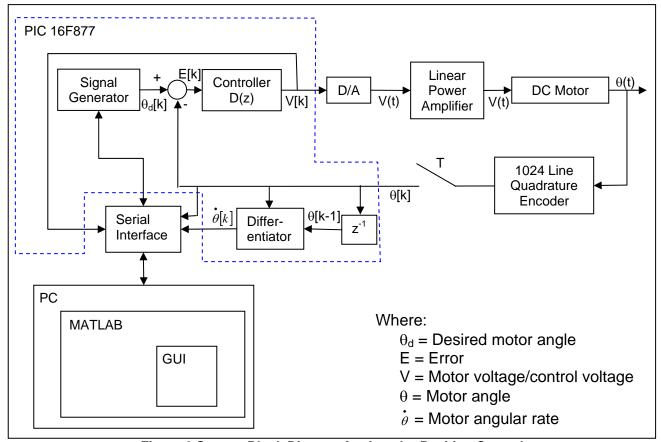


Figure 2 System Block Diagram for Angular Position Control

2.1 PIC 16F877 Microcontroller

The Microchip PIC 16F877 microcontroller installed on the QIC is a high performance RISC (reduced instruction set computer) CPU (central processing unit). The microcontroller supports clock speeds up to 20 MHz, hardware interrupts, and USART (Universal Synchronous/Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter) for serial port communication [11]. Additionally, as it is installed on the QIC it supports low power programming through the available serial port.

In this project the maximum clock speed of 20 MHz was used to provide minimum calculation time and maximum control frequency. For this project the 16F877's 16 bit timer/interrupt is used to run a digital controller at the desired clock frequency. Information is passed to and from the 16F877 via the serial port at a baud rate of 115,200 bits/second.

The code written for the 16F877 was written using the PCW PIC C compiler produced by Custom Computer Services, Inc. (CCS). Using C code provides a higher level software interface to the hardware than could be accomplished using assembly language. Also, because the microcontroller code written for the trainer by Quanser is in C, this allows some of their code to be reused.

2.2 Position Measurement

The angular position of the motor is measured by a 1024 line quadrature angular encoder with a resolution of approximately 0.0879°. The encoder's measurement is made available to the 16F877 as a 24 bit integer value. Note that the encoder is initialized to zero at the start of the code so that the angle measured is the difference from the initial motor angle. Due to the resolution of the encoder and the use of the 24 bit counter, the range of values that can be read by the encoder is approximately $\pm 4096^*2\pi$.

2.3 Current Measurement

The current being drawn by the motor is read using a series resistor and is passed to the microcontroller as an analog voltage. This voltage is read using the 16F877's 10 bit analog to digital converter and is used to calculate the motor current. The resolution of the current measurement is approximately 0.5 mA $\pm 10\%$.

3.0 Microcontroller C Code

C programming code was written specifically for this application. A listing of this code is available in Appendix A and the flowcharts for this code are available in Appendix C. This code implements all of the control logic as well as the necessary routines to communicate with the MATLAB code described in Section 4.0.

There are many functions in the C code, most of which should not need to be modified. These functions provide capabilities whose purpose is unlikely to change, such as serial communication, control timing, reference signal generation, and hardware interaction. This allows the student to concentrate on the programming of their control design without the overhead of learning hardware implementation specific code. The only function that must be changed is the control function that is described in Section 3.4.

3.1 Signal Types

Various signal types are supported by the code. These signal types are described in detail along with figures in the help file [12]. The available signal types are:

- Impulse
- Step
- Ramp
- Parabolic
- Triangle Wave
- Saw Tooth Wave
- Square Wave
- Sine Wave
- Cosine Wave
- Stair Step

3.2 Angular Rate Calculation

The angular rate is determined by finding the first derivative of the position measured by the angular encoder. Two different methods were implemented in the C code for this. The first uses a simple finite difference calculation as shown in (3.1).

$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{\theta_{Now} - \theta_{last}}{T} \tag{3.1}$$

The second method is the same as that used by Quanser and is derived by taking the bilinear transform of the continuous high pass filter shown in (3.2).

$$\dot{\theta} = (\theta_{Now} - \theta_{last}) \cdot \frac{s}{s/300 + 1}$$
 (3.2)

Both methods are implemented in the code and are made available by the GUI. Either method may be used by the student. Based upon work with both methods there is little difference in either the noise or results of the two methods.

3.3 Sample Rate Specification

The top of the C code contains many constants and variable declarations that should not be modified by the student. However, there is one that must be modified by the student. This is the constant named "fs" that defines the sampling frequency, in Hz. For example, to define a sampling rate of 150 Hz the fs definition should be modified as follows:

#define fs 150

Due to hardware limitations and the 20 MHz clock rate of the 16F877, the lowest sample rate that can be used is 10 Hz. In addition, due to the computation time required to complete a control step, the maximum sample rate is approximately 150 Hz. For simple signal types, such as a step signal, higher sample rates may be achievable. If sample rates higher than 150 Hz are desired then an oscilloscope would be necessary to verify that the desired sample rate can be achieved for a particular signal type and controller.

3.4 Student Modified Control Function

The only function that must be updated by the student to implement their desired controller is the function named "RunController". This function will be called at the specified sample rate and allows the implementation of digital controllers. Much of the code in this function does things that will nearly always be required and thus probably won't need to be changed. This is the code that does things such as generate the new reference signal, reads the angle from the encoder, reads the motor current from the analog to digital converter, and calculates the angular rate.

However, there are areas of this function that will need to be modified to implement whatever controller the user desires. The first area is labeled "controller parameters" and stores any constant parameters that are needed for the controller. These are typically things such as controller gains, poles, and zeros.

The second area of the function that will need to be modified is labeled "controller logic" and is where the student implements their control logic. These modifications will depend upon the specific controller being implemented. Examples of what may need to be done in this area are available in Section 6.0.

4.0 MATLAB Graphical User Interface

A graphical user interface was written to simplify the interface with the QET. A picture of the GUI is shown in Figure 3. The GUI allows the user to specify the desired signal type and run options for the QET. The user can also create a standard set of plots from the GUI. The GUI contains an input area for options, an input area for the signal definition, an area for the digital scopes, a plot area where data are plotted while the QET is being run, and four buttons that operate the form.

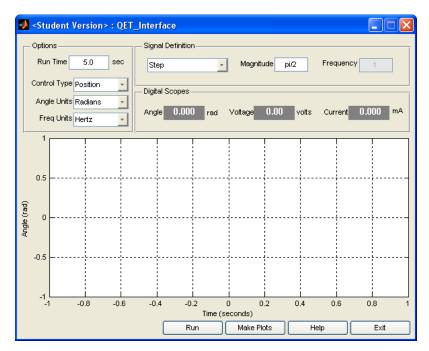


Figure 3 MATLAB QET Graphical User Interface

A help file has been written that details the operation of the graphical user interface. The following sections give a basic overview of the operation of the GUI. However, additional information and details can be found in the help file.

4.1 Graphical User Interface Options

The options area allows the user to specify various options for the input and outputs of the GUI. These options are as follows.

- Run Time This is the total time, in seconds, that the QET should run.
- Control Type This tells the GUI what type of control the user has implemented on the QET. This allows the GUI to place the reference signal on the proper plot when the "Make Plots" button is pressed and to show the correct data in the plot area while the QET is running.
- Angle units This allows the user to specify the angle units to be displayed on the scopes and in the output plots. Also, if the user has selected the

rate or position control type then this also inputs the units for the input magnitude.

 Frequency units – Some signal types require a frequency input (such as a sine wave). For these signal types this option tells the GUI whether the input frequency is in Hz or rad/s.

4.2 Signal Definition

The signal definition input area allows the user to specify characteristics of the desired signal. The inputs are as follows.

- Signal Type This allows the user to specify the desired signal type. The available signal types are listed in Section 3.1.
- Magnitude This allows the user to specify the signal magnitude or rate, as applicable. The units of this input (degrees or radians) for position or rate control are specified in the options frame. Further information about what this value represents for the various signal types is available in the help file.
- Frequency This allows the user to specify the signal frequency (if applicable). If this isn't applicable to the selected signal type then this input will be disabled. The units of this input are specified in the options frame.

4.3 Digital Scopes and Plot Area

The digital scopes frame contains the current values of angle, voltage, and current while the QET is running. The plot area displays the current reference signal. In addition, the actual results from the QET will be displayed on this plot. The data that is displayed on this plot is determined by the selection made for the control type in the options input area.

4.4 Operation Buttons

There are four buttons at the bottom of the GUI. The first button is labeled "Run" and runs the QET using the current input options and signal definition. The second button is labeled "Make Plots" and will create plots of control voltage, motor current, motor angular rate, and motor angle versus time for the last completed run. The third button is labeled "Help" and will display the help file when pressed. The fourth button is labeled "Exit" and will close the GUI.

4.5 Step Response Calculations

When the user runs a step signal then the percent overshoot, settling time, and steady state error will be calculated and displayed in the plot area. Also, if the user clicks on the "Make Plots" button then the step response characteristics will also be displayed on the resulting plots.

4.6 Output MATLAB Workspace Variables

When the user runs the QET through the GUI various output variables are placed in the base MATLAB workspace. These variables contain the input characteristics and output data from the QET. This allows the student to do

custom post processing on the control results. Further details of these variables are available in the help file.

5.0 Help File

An HTML help file has been generated to assist in using the use of the QET and MATLAB interface [12]. A picture of this help file is available in Figure 4. This help file contains an overview of the QET hardware, information on running the QET from MATLAB, an overview of the MATLAB GUI, and some examples on controller implementation. This help file is available to the user by pressing the help button on the MATLAB GUI.



Figure 4 Help File

6.0 Examples

This section contains examples of both a proportional integral-derivative (PID) angular position controller and a proportional integral (PI) angular rate controller. Only the implementation of these controllers is discussed as the design of these controllers is outside the scope of this project.

When implementing a controller into the C code the user must first set the sample rate at the top of the code to the desired value as shown in section 3.3. Next the user must modify the function named "RunController" to implement their control logic. Most of the code in this function should remain unmodified as it completes calculations that will always be necessary. However, other parts of the code must be changed to implement the controller and it is these changes that are discussed in the following examples.

The variables that will always be used in the "RunController" function are listed below. The code that calculates these variables should not be modified.

- AngleLast The angle of the motor, in radians, at the previous time step
- Angle The angle of the motor, in radians, read from the angular encoder at the current time step
- RefSigLast This is the reference signal at the previous time step. The
 meaning of the reference signal will depend on the control type that is
 being completed. For example, if the implemented controller is intended
 to control angular position then this reference signal would be the desired
 angular position.
- RefSig The reference signal at the current time step
- Current The current through the motor, in milliamps, at the current time step
- AngleFD The first derivative of the motor angle, in radians/second, at the current time step using (3.1)
- AngleFDFilt The first derivative of the motor angle, in radians/second, at the current time step using the bilinear transform of the continuous time filter shown in (3.2)
- Volt The motor voltage, in volts, that should be applied to the motor at the current time step

6.1 PID Position Controller

The motor position may be controlled using a proportional integral-derivative controller. This control should greatly reduce or eliminate any steady state error that may be present using a gain or proportional derivative controller. The downside to this method is that adding an integrator will degrade the transient performance of the system.

Below is the transfer function of a proposed proportional integral-derivative position controller that was designed for the QET.

$$G_c(z) = \frac{V(z)}{E(z)} = \frac{K(z-a1)(z-a2)}{z(z-1)}$$
 (5.1)

where

 $V(z) = Motor \ voltage$ $E(z) = Angle \ Error = Desired \ Angle \ - \ Actual \ Angle$ K = 6.6502 a1 = 0.8751 and a2 = 0.9190

This transfer function can be implemented using the following difference equation:

$$V[k] = V[k-1] + K \cdot \{E[k] - (a1+a2) \cdot E[k-1] + a1 \cdot a2 \cdot E[k-2]\}$$
(5.2)

The MATLAB simulation of this controller predicts a 20% overshoot and a settling time of 0.64 seconds as shown in the following figure.

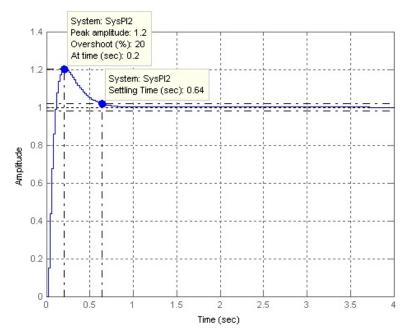


Figure 5 Predicted PID Position Control Example Results

To implement this controller on the QET the user should define the controller gain and zero locations at the top of the "RunController" function in the "controller parameters" section. The following code shows an example of this.

```
//PID controller parameters const float K = 6.6502; const float a1 = 0.8751; const float a2 = 0.9190;
```

The code that calculates the reference signal, motor angle, and motor angular rate is already completed for the user as discussed in the introduction to this section. Thus, once the controller parameters are defined the next step is to write the code to calculate the error at the current time step and save the necessary number of error measurements from previous time steps. From (5.2) it can be seen that for this example the errors from the current time step and previous two time steps are needed. The following code snippet is an example of what may be used to store the errors.

```
Errors[2] = Errors[1]; //Error two time steps ago
Errors[1] = Errors[0]; //Error at last time step
Errors[0] = RefSig - Angle; //Error at current time step
```

For a controller with an integral term the user must also save the last control voltage. The following code snippet is an example of storing the last control voltage.

VoltLast = Volt;

For the previous two code snippets to be valid the user must define both the three element array "Errors" and the variable "VoltLast" at the top of the function. The following is an example of the necessary variable definitions.

static float Errors[3]; float VoltLast;

Once the controller parameters are defined the user must add the PID control logic to the "controller logic" section of the "RunController" function. The following code shows the implementation of difference equation (5.2).

Volt = VoltLast + K*(Errors[0] - (a1+a2)*Errors[1] + a1*a2*Errors[2]);

Once these code changes have been implemented the code can be compiled and loaded onto the 16F877 microcontroller as discussed in the help file. The GUI can then be used to quickly obtain the step response of the closed loop system. The results obtained should be similar to those shown in Figure 6. These results show that the overshoot is approximately the 20% that was predicted. Also, as expected, there is no steady state error. However, the settling time is more than the 0.64 seconds that was anticipated, likely due to unmodeled friction in the system.

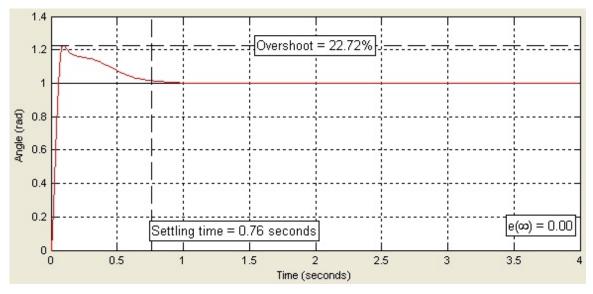


Figure 6 PID Example Control Results

6.2 PI Angular Rate Controller

The motor angular rate may be controlled using a proportional integral controller. Below is the transfer function of a proposed proportional integral rate controller that was designed for the QET.

$$G_c(z) = \frac{V(z)}{E(z)} = \frac{K(z-a)}{(z-1)}$$
 (5.3)

where

V(z) = Motor voltage E(z) = Angle Error = Desired Angle - Actual Angle K = 0.038955and a = 0.7778

This transfer function can be implemented using the following difference equation:

$$V[k] = V[k-1] + K \cdot \{E[k] - a \cdot E[k-1]\}$$
(5.4)

The MATLAB simulation of this controller predicts a 5% overshoot and a settling time of 0.74 seconds as shown in the following figure.

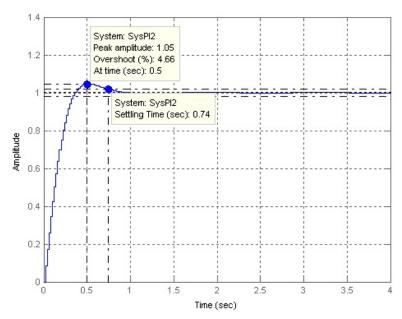


Figure 7 Predicted PI Rate Control Example Results

To implement this controller on the QET the user should define the controller gain and zero locations at the top of the "RunController" function in the "controller parameters" section. The following code shows an example of this.

//PI rate controller parameters const float K = 0.038955; const float a = 0.7778;

The code that calculates the reference signal, motor angle, and motor angular rate is already completed as discussed in the introduction to this section. Thus, once the controller parameters are defined the next step is to write the code to calculate the error at the current time step and save the necessary number of error measurements from previous time steps. From (5.4) it can be seen that only the error from the current and previous time steps are needed. The following code snippet is an example of what may be used to store the errors.

Errors[1] = Errors[0]; //Error at last time step Errors[0] = RefSig - AngleFD; //Error at current time step

For the previous code snippets to be valid the user must define the two element array "Errors" at the top of the function. The following is an example of the necessary variable definition.

static float Errors[2];

Once the controller parameters are defined the user must add the PI control logic to the "controller logic" section of the "RunController" function. The following code shows the implementation of difference equation (5.4).

Volt = VoltLast + K*(Errors[0] - a*Errors[1])

Once these code changes have been implemented the code can be compiled and loaded onto the 16F877 microcontroller as discussed in the help file. The GUI can then be used to quickly obtain the step response of the closed loop system. The results obtained should be similar to those shown in Figure 8. This figure shows that the overshoot is less than the 5% that was predicted. Also, the settling time is less than the 0.74 seconds that was anticipated. These better than expected results are likely due to unmodeled friction in the system. Note that this step response was run with a magnitude of 16π radians/second (8 revolutions per second) to reduce the impact of the unmodeled friction on the system.

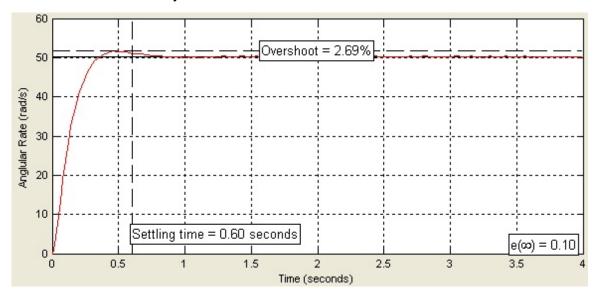


Figure 8 PID Example Control Results

7.0 Conclusion

Wichita State University currently offers various control courses, including a digital control course. However, there is currently not an available lab component for this digital control course. The goal of this project was to create a system that would allow a student to quickly implement and test a controller design. Toward this goal custom C code was written for the PIC microcontroller installed on the Quanser Engineering Trainers currently owned by Wichita State University. The necessary code modifications to implement a user designed controller were also discussed. A MATLAB graphical user interface was created that allows simple interaction with the microcontroller for the purposes of testing the controller performance. An HTML help file was also generated to assist in the use of the C code and MATLAB GUI. Finally, examples of the implementation of PID angular position and PI angular rate controllers were discussed.

8.0 Future Work

Although much has been accomplished towards the development of a control lab there is additional work that may prove helpful. The first would be to develop a lab manual. This manual should have topics in it similar to those covered by Quanser in their lab manual, such as system modeling and controller design.

Also, in this project only simple controllers were implemented. These were PD position, PID position, and PI rate controllers. In the future it would be interesting to develop and implement more advanced controllers such as two degree of freedom and robust controllers. Even a neural net controller may be implemented if it is simple enough to fit in the remaining ROM space on the PIC.

Finally, serial port communication errors are only minimally handled in the current PIC C code. Additional handshaking between MATLAB and the PIC may be helpful in ensuring more reliable operation. Due to the slow speed of MATLAB relative to the serial communication it may prove useful to move the serial communication itself out of MATLAB and into specifically written compiled code. Microsoft's .NET framework provides a class for operating the serial port that may prove useful for this enhancement.

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Appendix A: PIC Microcontroller C Code

Below is a listing of the microcontroller routines developed for this project. The routines in the header files q_config.h, encoder.h, daout.h, and init_qmt.h were provided with the QET by Quanser and only slightly modified. As this code is shown it is setup for the PID position control example of Section 6.2.

Main Routines

```
#include "16f877.h"
#include "q_config.h"
#include "encoder.h"
#include "daout.h"
#include "init_qmt.h"
#include <math.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#ZERO_RAM
#define CLK 20000000 //Clock frequency
#use delay(clock = CLK)
                                                                    //Set clock frequency
#use rs232(baud=115200, bits=8, parity=N, xmit=PIN_C6, rcv=PIN_C7, errors) //Setup
serial port
//User defined constants
#define fs 50 //sampling frequency in Hz (10 Hz is the slowest supported
frequency)
#define ts (1/(float)fs) //sampling period in second
//Signal types
#define SIGIMP 1 //Impulse signal
#define SIGIMP 1 //Impulse signal
#define SIGSTP 2 //Step signal
#define SIGRMP 3 //Ramp signal
#define SIGPAR 4 //Parabolic signal
#define SIGTRI 5 //Triangle wave signal
#define SIGSAW 6 //Sawtooth wave signal
#define SIGSQW 7 //Square wave signal
#define SIGSIN 8 //Sine wave signal
#define SIGCOS 9 //Cosine wave signal
#define SIGSTR 10 //Stair wave signal
#define SIGSTR 10 //Stair wave signal
//Signal information
int8 SigType; //Current signal type (see above definitions)
float SigMagRate; //Signal magnitude or rate, depending on signal type
float SigFreq; //Signal frequency (hz), if applicable to current signal type
//Global variables
short int DoControl; //Flag as to whether to do control or not
short int Running;
                             //Flag as to whether we are running or not
long EndCnt;
                             //Count to end the program when reached
float Voic,
float Current;
float AngleFD;
                             //Last calculated motor angle first derivative (rad/s) using
the direct method
float AngleFDFilt;
                             //Last calculated motor angle first derivative (rad/s) from
the filtering method
long SquareCount;
                             //Next count to flip square wave on
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short int TriSgn;
                      //Current sign of triangle wave (0 means negative and 1 means
positive)
                     //Value to set counter to at each interrupt
long preset_counter;
#define BUFSIZ 5
                     //Recieving buffer size (DON'T CHANGE!)
//Next available location in data recieve buffer
long iRecData;
short int RecDatAvail;
                     //Flag as to whether data has been recieved
int1 RecErr;
                     //Flag as to wheter a recieve error has occured
int1 FirstTime;
//Setup angular rate filter parameters
float Omega = 300.;
float ca;
float cb;
//Function prototypes
float CalcRefSignal(long TimeCnt);
float GetTri();
float GetSquare();
//The following routine will be called at the sample rate to generate the new
//reference signal as well as complete the actual control and write the output
void RunController()
  float AngleLast;
  float VoltLast;
  float AngleFDFiltLast;
  static float Errors[3];
  //Start of controller parameters
  //-----
  //PID controller parameters
  const float k = 6.650160854277;
  const float a1 = 0.87508921708793;
  const float a2 = 0.91901606680500;
  //-----
  //End of controller parameters
  //-----
  DoControl = 0;
  //Turn on LED
  output_high(LED3);
  //Increment output count (as long as this isn't the first time)
  if (!FirstTime)
    TimeCnt++;
  //Read the encoder
  AngleLast = Angle;
  Angle = read_encoder(ENCODERO, X_AXIS);
  //Save current reference signal
  RefSigLast = RefSig;
  //Get new desired angle
  RefSig = CalcRefSignal(TimeCnt);
  //Read the current
  set_adc_channel(2);
  delay_us(20);
  Current = ((float)Read_ADC()-512.0)*0.00543*1000; //Read ADC and convert to
milliampere
```

```
//Calculate first derivative of angle
  if (!FirstTime)
     AngleFD = (Angle-AngleLast)/ts;
     AngleFDFiltLast = AngleFDFilt;
     AngleFDFilt = ca*(Angle-AngleLast) - cb*AngleFDFiltLast;
  //Start of controller logic
  //Save current voltage
  VoltLast = Volt;
  //Set all errors to zero the first sample period
  if (FirstTime) memset(Errors, 0, sizeof(Errors));
  //Save errors for position control
  //Controller logic
  Volt = VoltLast + k*(Errors[0] - (a1+a2)*Errors[1] + a1*a2*Errors[2]); //PID
  //End of controller logic
  //Ouptut controller voltage
  daout(Volt);
  //Turn LED off
  output_low(LED3);
float CalcRefSignal(long TimeCnt)
  float NewSig, t;
  float TrigX;
  t = TimeCnt*ts;
  //Figure out the multiplier to the trig signals
  if (SigType == SIGSIN | | SigType == SIGCOS)
     TrigX = t*SigFreq;
     TrigX = TrigX - floor(TrigX);
  switch (SigType)
     {
     //Impulse signal
     case SIGIMP:
       if (TimeCnt == 0)
          NewSig = (SigMagRate/ts);
       else
          NewSig = 0;
       break;
     //Step signal
     case SIGSTP:
       NewSig = SigMagRate;
```

```
break;
     //Ramp signal
     case SIGRMP:
        NewSig = SigMagRate*t;
        break;
     //Parabolic signal
     case SIGPAR:
       NewSig = SigMagRate*t*t;
        break;
     //Triangle wave signal
     case SIGTRI:
       NewSig = GetTri();
        break;
     //Sawtooth wave signal
     case SIGSAW:
        NewSig = 2*SigMagRate*((t*SigFreq) - floor((t*SigFreq)+0.5));
     //Square wave signal
     case SIGSQA:
       NewSig = GetSquare();
        break;
     //Sine wave signal
     case SIGSIN:
       NewSig = SigMagRate*sin(TrigX*2*PI);
        break;
     //Cosine wave signal
     case SIGCOS:
       NewSig = SigMagRate*cos(TrigX*2*PI);
       break;
     //Stair wave signal
     case SIGSTR:
        NewSig = SigMagRate*(floor((t*SigFreq)+0.0000001)+1);
     return NewSig;
  }
float GetTri()
  {
  float NewSig, Rate;
  if (TimeCnt == 0)
    NewSig = 0;
  else
     Rate = 4*SigMagRate*SigFreq;
     if (!TriSgn)
       Rate = -Rate;
     NewSig = RefSigLast + Rate*ts;
     if (NewSig > SigMagRate)
        NewSig = 2*SigMagRate - NewSig;
        TriSgn = 0;
     else if (NewSig < -SigMagRate)
```

```
NewSig = -2*SigMagRate - NewSig;
      TriSgn = 1;
  return NewSig;
float GetSquare()
  float NewSig;
  if (TimeCnt == 0)
    SquareCount = fs/(2*SigFreq);
    NewSig = SigMagRate;
  else if (TimeCnt == SquareCount)
    SquareCount = SquareCount + fs/(2*SigFreq);
    NewSig = -RefSigLast;
  else
   NewSig = RefSigLast;
  return NewSig;
void FloatToIEE754(float *Val)
  int1 Tmp;
  int8 *Ptr;
  Ptr = Val;
  Tmp = shift_left(&Ptr[1], 1, 0);
  Tmp = shift_right(&Ptr[0], 1, Tmp);
  shift_right(&Ptr[1], 1, Tmp);
void IEE754ToFloat(float *Val)
  int1 Tmp;
  char *Ptr;
  Ptr = Val;
  Tmp = shift_left(&Ptr[1], 1, 0);
  Tmp = shift_left(&Ptr[0], 1, Tmp);
  shift_right(&Ptr[1], 1, Tmp);
  }
#SEPARATE void OutputFloat(float ValIn)
  {
  char *c;
  float Val;
  Val = ValIn;
  //Save pointer to float so we can easily access the bytes individually
  c = \&Val;
```

```
//Convert number to IEEE 754
  FloatToIEE754(&Val);
  //Send data (order of bytes reversed since PC is expecting littleEndian)
  putc(c[3]);
  putc(c[2]);
  putc(c[1]);
  putc(c[0]);
#SEPARATE void OutputLong(long Val)
  {
  char *c;
  //Save pointer to float so we can easily access the bytes individually
  c = \&Val;
  //Send data
  putc(c[0]);
  putc(c[1]);
#SEPARATE long GetLong()
  {
  char *c;
  long NewInt;
  c = &NewInt;
  c[0] = RecDatBuf[1];
  c[1] = RecDatBuf[2];
  return NewInt;
#SEPARATE float GetFloat()
  char *c;
  float NewFloat;
  c = &NewFloat;
  c[0] = RecDatBuf[4];
  c[1] = RecDatBuf[3];
  c[2] = RecDatBuf[2];
  c[3] = RecDatBuf[1];
  IEE754ToFloat(&NewFloat);
  return NewFloat;
void SetSampleFrequency(float freq) {
  setup_timer_1(T1_INTERNAL | T1_DIV_BY_8);
  //The counter is incremented every 4 clocks.
  //When the counter resets (reaches 2^16 = 65536) it generates an interupt
  //This interupt calls the RunController function (above)
  //Setting the following value to the timer will cause it to interupt at the
  //desired frequency.
```

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```
preset_counter = 65536 - floor(((CLK/8)/4) / freq );
  set_timer1(preset_counter);
void main()
  //Local variables
  char Cmd;
  int IntVal;
  //Initialize
  init_QMT();
  //Calculate angular rate filter parameters
  ca = 2*omega/(2+omega*ts);
  cb = (-2+omega*ts)/(2+omega*ts);
  //Choose current ADC channel
  set_adc_channel(2);
  init_encoder(ENCODER0);
                           //Initialize the encoder
  //Initialize outputs
                          //Send 0 voltage to DA output
//Set LED3 to low
//Set LED2 to high
  daout(0);
  output_low(LED3);
  output_high(LED2);
  output_low(PIN_B4);
                           //Enable external D/A
  //Initialize variables
  DoControl = 0;
  RefSig = 0;
  RefSigLast = 0;
  Volt = 0;
  Current = 0;
  AngleFD = 0;
  AngleFDFilt = 0;
  SquareCount = 0;
  TriSgn = 1;
  iRecData = 0;
  RecDatAvail = 0;
  RecErr = 0;
  EndCnt = 0;
  TimeCnt = 0;
  LastOutputCnt = 0;
  Running = 0;
  FirstTime = 1;
  while(1)
    {
     if (Running == 1)
       //Check if we should do control
       if (DoControl == 1)
         RunController();
       //Check if we need to ouput data
       if ((LastOutputCnt != TimeCnt) || FirstTime)
          putc('d');
```

```
OutputLong(TimeCnt);
      OutputFloat(RefSig);
      OutputFloat(Angle);
      OutputFloat(Volt);
      OutputFloat(Current);
      OutputFloat(AngleFD);
     OutputFloat(AngleFDFilt);
     LastOutputCnt = TimeCnt;
     FirstTime = 0;
   //Check for end of time
  if (TimeCnt >= EndCnt)
//Check for data in read buffer
if (RecDatAvail == 1)
   {
  RecDatAvail = 0;
  Cmd = RecDatBuf[0];
  if (RecErr)
      //Ignore bad data
     RecErr = 0;
   else
     {
      //Run the desired command
      if (Cmd == 'S')
         //This is the new signal type
        SigType = GetLong();
      else if (Cmd == 'M')
         //This the new signal magnitude or rate
        SigMagRate = GetFloat();
      else if (Cmd == 'F')
         //This is the new signal frequency
        SigFreq = GetFloat();
      else if (Cmd == 'E')
         //This is the count at which to end
         EndCnt = GetLong();
      else if (Cmd == 'G')
         //This is the flag to GO!
        output_low(LED2);
                                                   //Set LED2 to low
        Running = 1;
                                                  //Set sample frequency
        SetSampleFrequency(fs);
        enable_interrupts(INT_TIMER1);
                                                  //Turn on timer1 interrupt
        enable_interrupts(GLOBAL);
                                                   //Enable interrupts globally
      else if (Cmd == 'f')
         //Sampling frequency request
        putc('f');
         OutputFloat(ts);
```

```
//Send flag to tell the computer to stop reading data
     putc('X');
     //Stop the interrupts
     disable_interrupts(GLOBAL);
                                          //Disable interrupts globally
     disable_interrupts(INT_TIMER1);
                                          //Turn off timer1 interrupt
                                          //Turn off receive data available
     disable_interrupts(INT_RDA);
interrupt
     //Stop motor by sending 0 voltage to DA output
     daout(0);
     //Wait 1 second for motor to stop spinning
     delay_ms(1000);
     reset_cpu();
  }
//Use interrupt to recieve serial data when it is available
#INT RDA
void ReadSerialData()
  if ((RS232\_ERRORS \& 0x7) != 0)
     //An error ocurred
     RecErr = 1;
     output_high(LED2);
     output_high(LED3);
  else
     //Save current transmission
     RecDatBuf[iRecData] = getc();
     iRecData++;
     //Check for full buffer
     if (iRecData >= 5)
       RecDatAvail = 1;
       iRecData = 0;
     }
//Signal the compiler that the next function is the timer1 interrupt
#INT_TIMER1
void SetControlFlag()
  //Reset the counter to the correct count
  //This is necessary to achieve the desired sample rate
  set_timer1(preset_counter);
  DoControl = 1;
```

16F877.h Routines

```
////// Standard Header file for the PIC16F877 device /////////////
#device PIC16F877 *=16
////// Program memory: 8192x14 Data RAM: 367 Stack: 8
////// I/O: 33 Analog Pins: 8
////// Data EEPROM: 256
/////// C Scratch area: 77
                           ID Location: 2000
////// Fuses: LP,XT,HS,RC,NOWDT,WDT,NOPUT,PUT,PROTECT,PROTECT 5%
////// Fuses: PROTECT_50%, NOPROTECT, NOBROWNOUT, BROWNOUT, LVP, NOLVP, CPD
////// Fuses: NOCPD, WRT, NOWRT, DEBUG, NODEBUG
// Discrete I/O Functions: SET_TRIS_x(), OUTPUT_x(), INPUT_x(),
                         PORT_B_PULLUPS(), INPUT(),
//
                         OUTPUT_LOW(), OUTPUT_HIGH(),
//
                         OUTPUT_FLOAT(), OUTPUT_BIT()
// Constants used to identify pins in the above are:
#define PIN A0 40
#define PIN_A1 41
#define PIN_A2 42
#define PIN_A3 43
#define PIN_A4 44
#define PIN_A5 45
#define PIN_B0 48
#define PIN_B1 49
#define PIN_B2 50
#define PIN_B3 51
#define PIN_B4 52
#define PIN_B5 53
#define PIN_B6 54
#define PIN_B7 55
#define PIN_C0 56
#define PIN_C1 57
#define PIN_C2 58
#define PIN_C3 59
#define PIN_C4 60
#define PIN C5 61
#define PIN_C6 62
#define PIN C7 63
#define PIN_D0 64
#define PIN_D1 65
#define PIN_D2 66
#define PIN D3 67
#define PIN_D4 68
#define PIN_D5 69
#define PIN_D6 70
#define PIN_D7 71
#define PIN_E0 72
#define PIN_E1 73
#define PIN_E2 74
#define FALSE 0
#define TRUE 1
#define BYTE int
#define BOOLEAN short int
#define getc getch
#define fgetc getch
#define getchar getch
#define putc putchar
#define fputc putchar
```

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```
#define fgets gets
#define fputs puts
// Control Functions: RESET_CPU(), SLEEP(), RESTART_CAUSE()
// Constants returned from RESTART_CAUSE() are:
#define WDT_FROM_SLEEP 3
#define WDT_TIMEOUT 11
#define MCLR_FROM_SLEEP 19
#define MCLR_FROM_RUN 27
#define NORMAL_POWER_UP 24
#define BROWNOUT_RESTART 26
// Timer 0 (AKA RTCC)Functions: SETUP_COUNTERS() or SETUP_TIMER_0(),
                         SET_TIMERO() or SET_RTCC(),
                         GET_TIMERO() or GET_RTCC()
//
// Constants used for SETUP_TIMER_0() are:
#define RTCC_INTERNAL 0
#define RTCC_EXT_L_TO_H 32
#define RTCC_EXT_H_TO_L 48
#define RTCC_DIV_1
#define RTCC_DIV_2
#define RTCC_DIV_4
#define RTCC_DIV_8
                   2
#define RTCC_DIV_16
                   3
#define RTCC_DIV_32
#define RTCC_DIV_64
                  5
#define RTCC_DIV_128
#define RTCC_DIV_256
#define RTCC_8_BIT
                 0
// Constants used for SETUP_COUNTERS() are the above
// constants for the 1st param and the following for
// the 2nd param:
// Watch Dog Timer Functions: SETUP_WDT() or SETUP_COUNTERS() (see above)
//
                       RESTART_WDT()
//
#define WDT_18MS
#define WDT_36MS
                 9
#define WDT_72MS
                 10
#define WDT_144MS
                 11
#define WDT_288MS
                  12
#define WDT 576MS
                 13
                 14
#define WDT_1152MS
#define WDT_2304MS
                  15
// Timer 1 Functions: SETUP_TIMER_1, GET_TIMER1, SET_TIMER1
// Constants used for SETUP_TIMER_1() are:
   (or (via |) together constants from each group)
#define T1_DISABLED
                    n
#define T1_INTERNAL
                     0x85
                    0x87
#define T1_EXTERNAL
#define T1_EXTERNAL_SYNC 0x83
#define T1_CLK_OUT
#define T1_DIV_BY_1
#define T1_DIV_BY_2
                      0x10
#define T1_DIV_BY_4
                      0x20
#define T1_DIV_BY_8
                     0x30
// Timer 2 Functions: SETUP_TIMER_2, GET_TIMER2, SET_TIMER2
```

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```
// Constants used for SETUP_TIMER_2() are:
#define T2_DISABLED
                      0
#define T2_DIV_BY_1
                      4
#define T2 DIV BY 4
                      5
#define T2_DIV_BY_16
///////// CCP
// CCP Functions: SETUP_CCPx, SET_PWMx_DUTY
// CCP Variables: CCP_x, CCP_x_LOW, CCP_x_HIGH
// Constants used for SETUP_CCPx() are:
#define CCP_OFF
#define CCP_CAPTURE_FE
                                4
#define CCP_CAPTURE_RE
                                5
#define CCP_CAPTURE_DIV_4
                                6
#define CCP_CAPTURE_DIV_16
#define CCP_COMPARE_SET_ON_MATCH
                                8
#define CCP_COMPARE_CLR_ON_MATCH
                                9
#define CCP_COMPARE_INT
                               0xA
#define CCP_COMPARE_RESET_TIMER
                               0xB
#define CCP_PWM
                               0xC
#define CCP_PWM_PLUS_1
                               0x1c
#define CCP_PWM_PLUS_2
                               0x2c
#define CCP_PWM_PLUS_3
                               0x3c
long CCP_1;
#byte CCP_1
                               0x15
#byte CCP_1_LOW=
                               0x15
#byte CCP_1_HIGH=
                               0x16
long CCP_2;
#byte CCP_2
                              0x1B
#byte CCP_2_LOW=
                               0x1B
     CCP_2_HIGH=
                                0x1C
// PSP Functions: SETUP_PSP, PSP_INPUT_FULL(), PSP_OUTPUT_FULL(),
            PSP_OVERFLOW(), INPUT_D(), OUTPUT_D()
// PSP Variables: PSP_DATA
// Constants used in SETUP_PSP() are:
#define PSP_ENABLED
                                0 \times 10
#define PSP_DISABLED
#byte PSP_DATA=
// SPI Functions: SETUP_SPI, SPI_WRITE, SPI_READ, SPI_DATA_IN
// Constants used in SETUP_SSP() are:
#define SPI_MASTER 0x20
#define SPI_SLAVE
                   0 \times 24
                 0
#define SPI_L_TO_H
#define SPI_CLK_DIV_16 1
#define SPI_CLK_DIV_64 2
#define SPI_CLK_T2
#define SPI_SS_DISABLED 1
#define SPI_SAMPLE_AT_END 0x8000
#define SPI_XMIT_L_TO_H 0x4000
// Constants used in setup_uart() are:
// FALSE - Turn UART off
// TRUE - Turn UART on
#define UART_ADDRESS
                        2
#define UART_DATA
                        4
// ADC Functions: SETUP_ADC(), SETUP_ADC_PORTS() (aka SETUP_PORT_A),
           SET_ADC_CHANNEL(), READ_ADC()
// Constants used for SETUP_ADC() are:
#define ADC_OFF
               0
                                 // ADC Off
#define ADC_CLOCK_DIV_2 0x100
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```
#define ADC_CLOCK_DIV_8
#define ADC CLOCK DIV 32
                  0x80
#define ADC_CLOCK_INTERNAL 0xc0 // Internal 2-6us
// Constants used in SETUP_ADC_PORTS() are:
             7 // None
0 // A0 A1 A2 A3 A5 E0 E1 E2
// A0 A1 A2 A3 A5 E0 E1 E2 VP.
#define NO ANALOGS
#define ALL_ANALOG
// Constants used in READ_ADC() are:
#define ADC_START_AND_READ 7 // This is the default if nothing is specified
#define ADC_START_ONLY 1
#define ADC_READ_ONLY 6
// Interrupt Functions: ENABLE_INTERRUPTS(), DISABLE_INTERRUPTS(),
      EXT_INT_EDGE()
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// Constants used in EXT_INT_EDGE() are:
// Constants used in ENABLE/DISABLE_INTERRUPTS() are:
#define GLOBAL
#define INT_RTCC
                     0 \times 0 B20
#list
```

q_config.h Routines

```
//
// q_config.h
//
// This file does the general set up for the QIC Processor Core. This file should be the
included
// on the first line of any program written by the user. 
// The user may add addtional line to this file as necessary, but they should note that
the CCS
// compiler loads lines in order. The compiler essentially "inlines" the files in the
main source
// This file is desiged to be compiled without change using the CCS compiler, version
3.051
// The development environment used was the Microchip MPLAB IDE, with the CCS compiler
linked
// as the C compiler.
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// Author: A.D.
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//
#fuses HS, NOWDT, NOPROTECT, PUT, NOLVP
                                                    // high speed oscillator option
                                                     // watchdog timer is DISABLED
                                                     // the code protection bits are
DISABLED
#DEVICE ADC=10
                                                     // set the ADC to 10 bit mode
                                                    // initialize all RAM locations
#ZERO RAM
to zero by default
#define PUSHBUTTON PIN_B0 //define PUSHBUTTON as PIN_B0
#define LED3 PIN_C0 //define LED as PIN_C0 #define LED2 PIN_C1 //define LED as PIN_C1
// The following lines set up the port address so that we can use direct reads and
// writes to memory locations to read and write ports directly.
// this is the most efficient way of reading / writing 8 bits ( a byte ) of data
// to / from a port.
#byte PORTA = 5
#byte PORTB = 6
#byte PORTC = 7
#byte PORTD = 8
#byte PORTE = 9
// Specify the ports to use the fast_io option. care must be taken when using this option
// the compiler does not add any extra code to set up the port. The bits in a port
// must be set up ahead of time to be either inputs or outputs.
#use fast_io(a)
//#use fast_io(b)
#use fast_io(c)
#use fast_io(d)
#use fast_io(e)
```

encoder.h Routines

```
#byte PORTD = 8
#define ALL_OUT
                       0x00
#define ALL_IN
                       OxFF
                       0x00
#define SLAVEO
#define SLAVE1
                      0 \times 01
                  PIN_A4
#define READ_ENC
#define WRITE ENC
                      PIN_B3
// macros to enable / disable the encoder
#define DISABLE_DEV output_high(PIN_B1); output_high(PIN_B2);
#define ENABLE_ENC
                       output_high(PIN_B1); output_low(PIN_B2);
#define DISABLE_ENC output_low(PIN_B1); output_low(PIN_B2);
#define ENABLE_DA output_high(PIN_B2); output_low(PIN_B1);
#define ENC_AXIS PIN_C5
                                  // '0' = X axis ; '1' = Y axis
#define ENC_DC
                     PIN_C4
                                  // '0' = DATA ; '1' = COMMAND
#define DA_BYTE_A0
                            PIN_C4 // DA Nibble select A0
#define DA_BYTE_A1
                            PIN_C5 // DA Nibble select A1
#define ENCODER0
                      0 \times 0.0
#define ENCODER1
                     0 \times 01
#define X_AXIS
                      0x00
#define Y_AXIS
                      0 \times 04
                                           // data register of ENCODER CHANNEL
#define ENC DATA
0 \times 0.0
                                           // control register ENCODER CHANNEL
// RCNTR pin is indexed // RCNTR pin is not indexed
#define DISABLE_INDEX 0xE6
// global variables
float calx1, calx1_mid, calx1_high, offset_x1;
// data is returned in these variables.
// see the example file encoder.c on how to reconstruct them
// to form an angular measurement
float calculate_angle();
void calibration_parameters();
static int encoder_data[3];
 * The inp(address) function reads from the proper encoder register based on
 \mbox{\ensuremath{^{\star}}} what address value is passed in. The function uses a bit mask to determine
 * which register is being read and sets up the addressing correctly to return
 * the proper data.
 * Valid values for address should be X_AXIS and Y_AXIS, ored with the
 * the encoder data register address (ENC_DATA) as defined in the #define
 * statements of the header.
```

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```
* Returns: the value read from the encoder
int inp(int address){
 int data;
             // PORT D is the bus connected to the encoder
 set_tris_D(ALL_IN);
                                                   // set PORT D to INPUT
                                                   // set the READ (/RD) line low
 output_low(READ_ENC);
 ENABLE_ENC;
                                                   // set the ENABLE (/CS) line low
                                                  // the chip is now ready to read
 output_bit(ENC_DC, bit_test(address, 3));
                                                  // set the D/C bit to read DATA or
                                                  // control based on the address
passed in
 output_bit(ENC_AXIS, bit_test(address, 2));
                                                  // set the appropriate axis bit (X or
                                                   // based on the address passed in
 delay_cycles(1);
                                                   // wait for the data to be ready,
same as NOP
 data = PORTD;
                                                   // read in the data from PORT D
 output_high(READ_ENC);
                                                   // return the /RD line high
 set_tris_D(ALL_IN);
                                                   // set PORT D to INPUT
 DISABLE_DEV;
                                                   // disable the encoder (/CS high)
 return(data);
* The outp(address, value) function sends a value out to the proper register of the
* encoder IC. The function receives two parameters, the address of the register to
* write to, and the value to be sent to that register.
^{\star} The function uses a bit mask to determine the proper register to write to and
* to set the appropriate address bits.
 * Note that when writing to the preset registers of the encoder IC, 3 consecutive
 * writes are needed to fill the internal register.
void outp(int address, int value){
 set_tris_D(ALL_OUT);
                                                   // set PORT D to output
 output_low(WRITE_ENC);
                                                   // set the /WR line low
 ENABLE_ENC;
                                                  // enable the encoder IC
 output_bit(ENC_DC, bit_test(address, 3));
                                                  // set the D/C bit appropriately
based on the
                                                  // the address argument
 output_bit(ENC_AXIS, bit_test(address, 2));
                                                  // set the axis bit appropriately
based on
                                                   // the address argument
 delay_cycles(1);
                                                   // wait for the operation to complete
(NOP)
 PORTD = value;
                                                   // set PORT D to the data value
passed in
 output_high(WRITE_ENC);
                                                   // return the /WR line high
 set_tris_D(ALL_IN);
                                                  // set PORT D to output
 DISABLE_DEV;
                                                   // disable the encoder IC
^{\star} This function is designed to setup the encoder for the most common functions.
* This function *must* be called prior to performing any reads of the encoder
* to ensure that it is setup properly.
 * In most instances, this function can be left as is, but it can be modified
* by the user to meet their needs.
void init_encoder(int address)
       /*initialize the ENCODER CHIP*/
   calibration_parameters();
//while(0) // from MQ3.DRV
```

```
outp(address|ENC_DATA, CLOCK_DATA);
                                                                                                   // FCK frequency divider
              outp(address ENC_DATA, CLOCK_DATA); // For frequency divider
outp(address ENC_CONTROL, CLOCK_SETUP); // transfer PRO to PSC (x and y)
outp(address ENC_CONTROL, INPUT_SETUP); // enable inputs A and set (address ENC_CONTROL, INPUT_SETUP); // enable inputs A indicate the set of the set of
                                                                                                   // enable inputs A and B (x and y)
                                                                                                 // quadrature multiplier to 4 (x and
              outp(address ENC_CONTROL, QUAD_X4);
y)
              outp(address|ENC_CONTROL, CNTR_RESET);
                                                                                                   // reset counter (x and y)
while(0)
   outp(address | ENC_CONTROL, EFLAG_RESET);
                                                                                                   // reset the error bit in the FLAGs
register
   outp(address | ENC_CONTROL, BP_RESETB);
                                                                                                  // reset the byte pointer
                                                                                            // setup the clock for the X axis
// setup the clock for the Y axis
   outp(address | ENC_DATA | X_AXIS, CLOCK_DATA);
outp(address | ENC_DATA | Y_AXIS, CLOCK_DATA);
   outp(address | ENC_CONTROL, BP_RESETB);
                                                                                                   // reset the byte pointer
   outp(address | ENC_CONTROL, CLOCK_SETUP);
outp(address | ENC_CONTROL, QUAD_X4);
                                                                                                   // transfer PRO to PSC (x and y)
                                                                                                   // read the encoder in quadrature (x4
mode)
   outp(address | ENC_CONTROL, INPUT_SETUP);
                                                                                                  // enable inputs A and B (X and Y)
   outp(address | ENC_CONTROL, CNTR_RESETB);
                                                                                                  // reset the counters for X and Y
axis
   // added by A.D. to disable index pulse
   outp(address | ENC_CONTROL, 0xE0);
}
}
float preset_encoder(int address, int axis, int low, int mid, int high)
              outp(address|ENC_CONTROL|axis, BP_RESETB); // reset byte pointer
              outp(address | ENC_DATA | axis, low );
              outp(address ENC_DATA axis, mid );
              outp(address|ENC_DATA|axis,high);
                                                                                                 // output preset value
     outp(address | ENC_CONTROL | axis , TRSFRPR_CNTR);// transfer the counters to the ouput
latches
}
 \star This function read_encoder(axis) is used to read the encoder and return the value
 * of the registers stored in the array encoder_data. The user will then need to
  * reconstruct the data to form a 24 bit word. encoder_data[0] is the lowest byte, and
 * encoder_data[2] is the highest byte. To
float read encoder(int address, int axis){
   outp(address | ENC_CONTROL, BP_RESETB);
                                                                                                // reset the byte pointers so that we
// registers in the proper order
   outp(address | ENC_CONTROL | axis , TRSFRCNTR_OL);// transfer the counters to the ouput
latches
   encoder_data[0] = inp(ENC_DATA | axis);
                                                                                                  // read the first byte, store it.
                                                                                                 // read the second byte, store it.
   encoder_data[1] = inp(ENC_DATA | axis);
   encoder_data[2] = inp(ENC_DATA | axis);
                                                                                                  // read the third byte, store it.
   return calculate_angle();
   // the data is stored in the variables encoder_data[0-2] as
   // individual bytes to make up a 24 bit word
float calculate_angle()
     float high_m, angle_r;
```

```
//Mask off the sign bit to do angular calculation
   high_m = encoder_data[2]&0x7f;
   angle_r = calx1 * encoder_data[0]+ calx1_mid * encoder_data[1] + calx1_high * high_m;
   // compute the offset if the angle was negative
   if((encoder_data[2]\&0x80) == 0x80)
          angle_r = angle_r - offset_x1;
   }
   return angle_r;
}
void calibration_parameters()
// calculate the calibration parameters - radians
calx1 = 0.00153398078789 ; //2pi/4096.;
                                                  //conversion from encoder counts to
degrees
calx1_mid = 0.39269908169872; //calx1*256; //multiplication factor for the
middle byte (in degrees)
 calx1_high = 1.005309649148734e+002; //calx1_mid*256; // multiplication factor for
the upper byte (in degrees)
  offset_x1 = 1.286796350910379e+004;// calx1_high*128.; // factor to account
for negative values
}
```

daout.h Routines

```
float voltageToIntegerValue(float);
//Digital to Analog output
void daout(float voltage)
   int low_byte,high_nibble;
   long value;
   value = voltageToIntegerValue(voltage);
  low_byte = value&0xff;
   set_tris_D(ALL_OUT);
                                     // set PORT D to output
  ENABLE_DA;
  // Bring A0 low
                                      // Bring Al low
  PORTD = low_byte;
                               // set PORT D to the value of the low 8 bits
  output_low(WRITE_ENC);
                              // set the /WR line low
   delay_cycles(1);
  //ENABLE DA;
  high_nibble = value>>8;
  high_nibble = high_nibble&0x0f;
  PORTD = high_nibble;
                                     // set PORT D to the data value of the high
4 bits
  output_bit(DA_BYTE_A0, 1 );
                                     // Bring A0 high
  output_bit(DA_BYTE_A1, 1 );
output_low(WRITE_ENC);
                                      // Bring Al high
  output_low(WRITE_ENC);
                              // set the /WR line low
  set_tris_D(ALL_IN);
                              // set PORT D to input - must do otherwise it loads
the system
  DISABLE_DEV;
float voltageToIntegerValue(float voltage)
   long integer da=0;
   voltage = voltage*0.33;
   if (voltage >= 4.99)
     voltage = 4.99;
   if (voltage <= -4.99)
     voltage = -4.99;
  integer_da = (2047 + (long)((voltage / 5.0) * (float)2047)); //Convert voltage to
equiv integer value
   return integer_da;
                       //Return integer value
   }
```

init_qmt.h Routines

```
void init_QMT()
 /* PORTE is all digital OUTPUTS */
 set_tris_e(ALL_IN);
                           // set write and read high
 output_high(PIN_B3);
 output_high(PIN_A4);
 output_high(PIN_C4);
                   // set data registers selects high
  output_high(PIN_C5);
                           // chip selects to high to select inexistent device
  output_high(PIN_B2);
  output_high(PIN_B1);
  output_low(PIN_C0);
                           // turn off both LED's
 output_low(PIN_C1);
  daout(2047);
                           // put out zero volts
  output_low(PIN_B6);
                            //Stream indicator
  setup_adc_ports(ANALOG_RA3_REF); /* RE2 - RE0 are DIGITAL I/O and RA3 is REF*/
  setup_adc(ADC_CLOCK_INTERNAL);
}
```

Appendix B: MATLAB QET Interface Code

The following is a listing of the MATLAB code that uses the serial port to interface with the QET. This function is called by the GUI to complete the user specified control task.

```
function [Data, DataCount, SamplePeriod, Error] = ...
   RunQET(SigType, SigMagRate, SigFreq, RunTime, hScopeCallback, handles)
%RunQET - Runs a case on the Quanser engineering trainer and returns the
%results
   [Data, DataCount, SamplePeriod, Error] = RunQET(SigType, SigMagRate,
   SigFreq, RunTime, hScopeCallback, handles) runs the specified case on
   the Quanser Engineering Trainer and returns a matrix of results along
   with the number of time samples, the sample period, and an error flag.
   The input SigType specifies the signal type to run. This can be one of
   the following values:
     1 - Impulse signal
     2 - Step signal
     3 - Ramp signal
     4 - Parabolic signal
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     5 - Triangle wave signal
     6 - Sawtooth wave signal
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     7 - Square wave signal
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     8 - Sine wave signal
     9 - Cosine wave signal
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    10 - Stair step signal
   The input SigMagRate defines the signal magnitude or rate depending on
   the signal type. For a ramp or parabolic signal it specifies a rate.
   For all the other signal types it specifies a magnuitude. For more
   information please see the associated help file.
   The input SigFreq specifies the signal frequency in Hz, if applicable
   to the speicifed signal type. If the frequency is not applicable to
   the specified signal type (such as for a step signal) then this should
   be set to 0.
   The input RunTime specifies the total run time in seconds.
   The input hScopeCallback specifies the handle to the scope callback
   procedure. If the callback isn't desired then this value should be set
   to zero.
   The input handles is the handles array that will be passed to the scope
   callback function. If the scope callback value is set to zero then
   this should also be set to zero.
   The output Data contains all of the returned data. This array will
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   have DataCount rows in it and will contain seven columns. The columns
   are:
       1 - The data index for this row returned by the QET
       2 - The reference signal
       3 - The actual angle of the motor
       4 - The voltage being applied to the motor
       5 - The current being drawn by the motor
       6 - The first derivative of the motor angle using the simple method
       7 - The first derivative of the motor angle using the filtering method
   The output SamplePeriod is the sample period, in seconds, being used by the QET
   The output {\tt Error} is a boolean flag as to whether an error occured.
   For additional information please see the help file.
   Data = [];
   DataCount = 0;
   SamplePeriod = 0;
   Error = true;
```

```
if nargout ~= 4
        msgbox('Invalid number of return arguments for RunQET!')
        return
   end
   if nargin < 4</pre>
       msqbox('Invalid number of arguments for RunQET!')
        return
   %Set current elapsed time
   TimeNow = 0;
   DataCount = 0;
   %Close all serial port objects
   CloseAllSerialPorts
   %Create serial port object
   S = serial(ComPortName, 'BaudRate', 115200, 'Parity', 'none', 'DataBits', 8,
'StopBits', 1, 'InputBufferSize', 50000, 'Timeout', 1);
    %Open serial port
    fopen(S);
   %Get sampling frequency
   pause(0.1);
    if ~WriteToQET(S, 'f', 'uchar') fclose(S); return; end;
   if ~WriteToQET(S, 0, 'float32') fclose(S); return; end;
   PauseCount = 0;
   PauseStep = 0.1;
   while S.BytesAvailable < 5</pre>
     pause(PauseStep);
     PauseCount = PauseCount + 1;
      if PauseCount > 2/PauseStep
          msgbox('The QET is not responding. Please verify it is reset and try again')
          fclose(S);
          return
      end
   Cmd = fread(S, 1, 'uchar');
    if Cmd ~= 'f'
        disp('Unexcected return value for frequency');
        return
   SamplePeriod = fread(S, 1, 'float32');
    %Determine number of signals to read
   EndCnt = ceil(RunTime/SamplePeriod-0.0001);
   if (EndCnt > 2^16)
       msgbox('Too long of a runtime was entered for the sample rate. Please choose a
shorter run time or lower the sample rate. Reset the QET and try again.')
       return
   end
   %Set the end of time count on QET
   if ~WriteToQET(S, 'E', 'uchar') fclose(S); return; end;
if ~WriteToQET(S, EndCnt, 'int16') fclose(S); return; end;
   if ~WriteToQET(S, 0, 'int16') fclose(S); return; end;
   %Initially size data array
   Data = zeros(EndCnt,7);
```

```
%Set reference signal type and data
if ~WriteToQET(S, 'S', 'uchar') fclose(S); return; end;
if ~WriteToQET(S, SigType, 'int16') fclose(S); return; end;
if ~WriteToQET(S, 0, 'int16') fclose(S); return; end;
if ~WriteToQET(S, 'M', 'uchar') fclose(S); return; end;
if ~WriteToQET(S, SigMagRate, 'float32') fclose(S); return; end;
if ~WriteToQET(S, 'F', 'uchar') fclose(S); return; end;
if ~WriteToQET(S, SigFreq, 'float32') fclose(S); return; end;
%Send start flag
if ~WriteToQET(S, 'G', 'uchar') fclose(S); return; end;
if ~WriteToQET(S, 0, 'float32') fclose(S); return; end;
%Read data
Cmd = 0;
BytesReq = 0;
RunLoop = true;
while RunLoop
    %disp(S.BytesAvailable);
    if Cmd == 0
        %Read command character if it is available
        if S.BytesAvailable >= 1
            Cmd = fread(S, 1, 'uchar');
            %Determine number of bytes required to complete this command
            if Cmd == 'X'
                 %This is the stop flag
                Cmd = 0;
                BytesReq = 0;
                RunLoop = false;
                break;
            elseif Cmd == 'd'
                 %This is the data flag (1 long integer and 4 floating point numbers)
                BytesReq = 2 + 4*4;
                DataCount = DataCount + 1;
            end
        end
    end
    %Check for command data available
    if Cmd ~= 0 && BytesReq ~= 0
        if S.BytesAvailable >= BytesReq
            if Cmd == 'd'
                 %Read data
                 QETDataIndex = fread(S, 1, 'uint16');
                RefSig = fread(S, 1, 'float32');
ActAng = fread(S, 1, 'float32');
                Volt = fread(S, 1, 'float32');
Current = fread(S, 1, 'float32');
                AngFD = fread(S, 1, 'float32');
                AngFDFilt = fread(S, 1, 'float32');
                 %Save data
                Data(DataCount, 1) = QETDataIndex;
                 Data(DataCount, 2) = RefSig;
                Data(DataCount, 3) = ActAng;
```

```
Data(DataCount, 4) = Volt;
                    Data(DataCount, 5) = Current;
                    Data(DataCount, 6) = AngFD;
                    Data(DataCount, 7) = AngFDFilt;
                    if nargin == 6 && isa(hScopeCallback, 'function_handle')
                        hScopeCallback(QETDataIndex*SamplePeriod, RefSig, ActAng, Volt,
Current, AngFD, handles);
                    end
                end
                Cmd = 0;
            end
        end
   end
   %Close serial port and clean up
   fclose(S);
   delete(S);
   clear S;
   Error = false;
function CloseAllSerialPorts
   Ports = instrfind({'Port'}, {ComPortName});
    for i = size(Ports,1):-1:1
       fclose(Ports(i));
       delete(Ports(i));
   end
function [PortName] = ComPortName()
    if evalin('base', 'exist(''QETPortName'')')
       PortName = evalin('base', 'QETPortName');
   else
        PortName = 'COM1';
function [Success] = WriteToQET(S, Val, Format)
    %Since MATLAB sporadically times out on this statement we'll try it up to 5 times
    %KNOWN BUG: see http://www.mathworks.com/support/bugreports/details.html?rp=250986
   Success = false;
   for i=1:5
        Errored = false;
        try
            fwrite(S, Val, Format);
        catch
            Errored = true;
        end
        if ~Errored
           Success = true;
           break;
        elseif i == 5
            disp('Unable to write to QET device. Please reset it and try again.');
            return;
        end
   end
```

Appendix C: PIC C Code Flow Charts

Flowchart Discussion

Flowcharts of the pertinent PIC C code are available in Figure 9 through Figure 10. Figure 9 contains a flowchart of the main function that is run whenever the PIC is started (power is applied or the reset button is pressed). Figure 10 contains a flowchart of the function that is run whenever the "Run Control" process block is encountered in the main function.

While the main function is executing there are two other functions that may be run when specific events occur. These events are the timer interrupt and the serial RDA (received data available) interrupt. The timer interrupt occurs whenever the amount of time specified by the sample rate (variable name "fs") has passed since the last timer interrupt (or since the time when the interrupt was enabled). The serial RDA interrupt occurs whenever a single character (1 byte) has been received over the serial port. When these events occur the execution of the main function is stopped (interrupted) and the appropriate function is executed. A flowchart of the function that is executed when the timer interrupt occurs is shown in Figure 11. A flowchart of the function that is executed when the serial RDA interrupt occurs is shown in Figure 12.

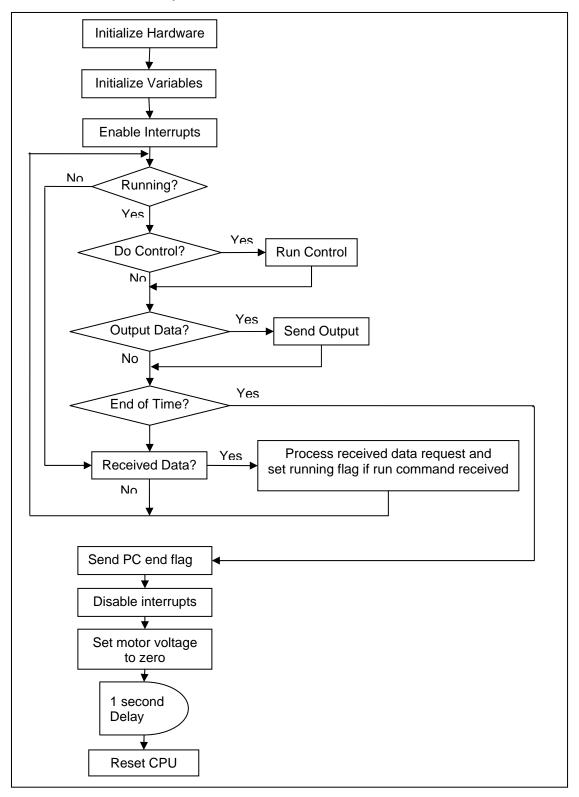


Figure 9 Main Function Flowchart

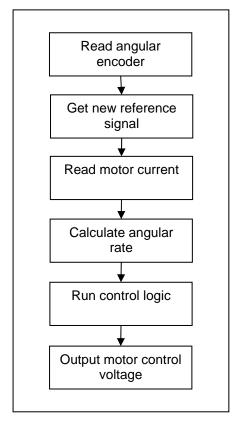


Figure 10 Run Control Function

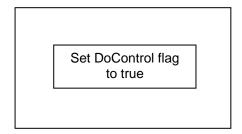


Figure 11 Timer Interrupt Function Flowchart

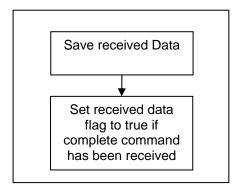


Figure 12 Serial Received Data Available Interrupt Function Flowchart