Experiment No: 7

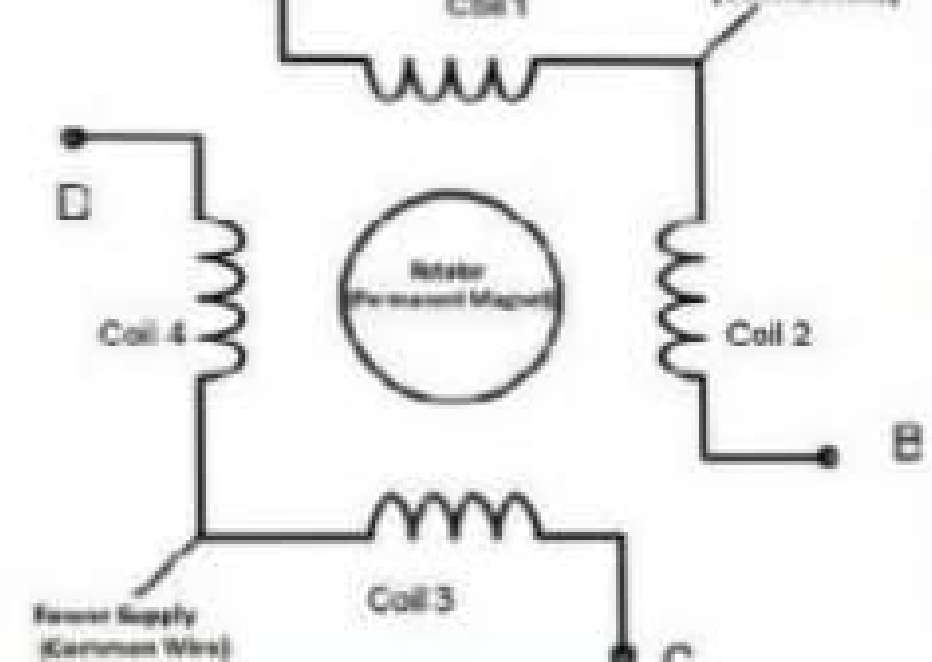
Title : Write an application using Raspberry Pi / Beagle Board to control the operation of stepper motor.

Theory :

Stepper Motor

In stepper Motor, as the name itself says, the rotation of shift is in step form. There are different types of stepper Motor; in here we will be using the most popular one that is Unipolar stepper Motor. Unlike DC Motor we can rotate stepper motor to any particular angle by giving it proper instructions.

Unipolar Stepper Motor (fig. 1.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Unipolar Stepper Motor fig. 1.

To rotate this four stage stepper Motor we will deliver power pulses by using Stepper motor Driver Circuit. The deliver Circuit takes logic triggers from PI. If we control the logic Triggers, we control the power pulses & hence the Speed of Stepper Motor.

There are 40 GPIO output pins in Raspberry Pi 2. But out of 40 only 26 GPIO pins can be programmed. Some of these pins perform some special function. With special GPIO put aside we have only 17 GPIO remaining. Each of these 17 GPIO pin can deliver a Maximum of 15 mA Current. & the Sum of Currents from all GPIO pins cannot so

There are +5V & 3.3V power o/p pins. on the board for connecting other Modules & sensors. These power rails cannot be used to drive the Stepper Motor, because we need more power to rotate it. So we have to deliver the power to Stepper Motor from another Power source. Search your Stepper Motor Model number to known voltage rating. Depending on the rating choose the Secondary source appropriately.

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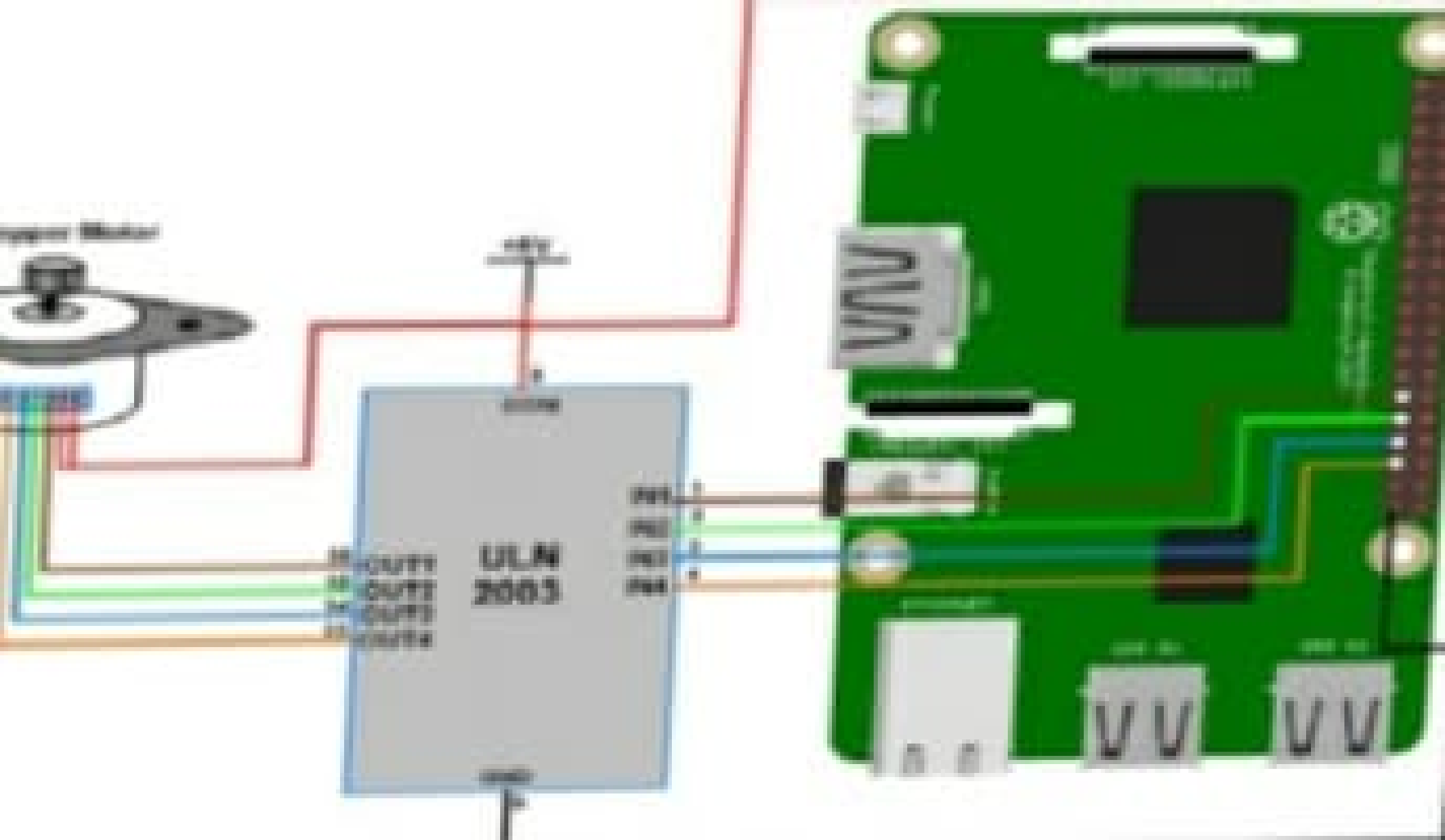
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Sample Program.
Python Program.

Stepper Motor interfacing with Raspberry Pi

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import RPi.GPIO as GPIO
from time import sleep
import sys

# assign GPIO pins for motor
motor_channel = (29, 31, 33, 35)
GPIO.setwarnings(False)
GPIO.setMode(GPIO.BOARD)
    # for defining more than 1 GPIO channel
as inop usb.
GPIO.setup(motor_channel, GPIO.OUT)

motor_direction = input('select motor direction
                    a = anticlockwise, (= clockwise:').
while True:
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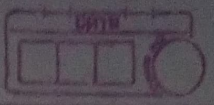

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try:
if (motor_direction == 'c'):
    print ('motor running clockwise \n')
    GPIO.output (motor_channel, (GPIO.HIGH, GPIO.
        low, GPIO.low, GPIO.HIGH))
    sleep (0.02)
    GPIO.output (motor_channel, (GPIO.HIGH GPIO.
        HIGH, GPIO.low, GPIO.low)).
    sleep (0.02)
    GPIO.output (motor_channel, (GPIO.low, GPIO.
        HIGH, GPIO.HIGH, GPIO.low))
    sleep (0.02)
    GPIO.output (motor_channel, (GPIO.low,
        GPIO.low, GPIO.HIGH, GPIO.HIGH))
    sleep (0.02)

elif (motor_direction == 'a'):
    print ('motor running anti-clockwise \n')
    GPIO.output (motor_channel (GPIO.HIGH,
    GPIO.low, GPIO.low, GPIO.HIGH))
    sleep (0.02)
    GPIO.output (motor_channel (GPIO.low,
    GPIO.low, GPIO.HIGH, GPIO.HIGH))
    sleep (0.02)
    GPIO.output (motor_channel (GPIO.low
        GPIO.HIGH, GPIO.HIGH, GPIO.low))
    sleep (0.02)
    GPIO.output (motor_channel (GPIO.HIGH,
        GPIO.HIGH, HIGH. GPIO.low, GPIO
        low))
    sleep (0.02.

except keyboardInterrupt:
    motor_direction = input ('select motor
        direction a = anticlockwise
        c = clockwise or q = exit:')
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if (motor_direction == 'q'):
    print ('Motor Stopped')
    sys.exit(0)
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Conclusion: Thus we have implemented application of Stepper Motors using Python with Raspberry Pi.