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# Demonstration ReadMe for Hall Sensor Based Six Step Commutation of BLDC Motor Using MATLAB® and dsPIC33CK LVMC Board

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

This document describes the setup requirements for running the Hall Sensor Based Six Step Commutation of BLDC motor, using MATLAB/Simulink and dsPIC33CK Low Voltage Motor Control (LVMC) Board.

The algorithm is described in the Application Note AN957, “Sensored BLDC Motor Control Using dsPIC Digital Signal Controllers (DSCs)”.

## 2. SUGGESTED DEMONSTRATION REQUIREMENTS

### 2.1. MATLAB Model Required for the Demonstration

- MATLAB model can be cloned or downloaded as zip file from the Github repository ([link](#)).

### 2.2. Software Tools Used for Testing the MATLAB/Simulink Model

1. MPLAB X IDE and IPE (v6.0)
2. XC16 compiler (v2.00)
3. MATLAB R2022a
4. Required MATLAB add-on packages are:
  - Simulink
  - Simulink Coder
  - MATLAB Coder
  - Embedded Coder (v7.8)
  - Motor Control Blockset (v1.4)
  - MPLAB Device blocks for Simulink (v3.50.24)

**Note:**

The software used for testing the model during release is listed above. It is recommended to use the version listed above or later versions for building the model.

### 2.3. Hardware Tools Required for the Demonstration

- dsPIC33CK Low Voltage Motor Control (LVMC) Development Board ([DM330031](#))
- 24V Power Supply ([AC002013](#))
- 24V 3-Phase Brushless DC Permanent Magnet Hurst Motor ([AC300022](#))

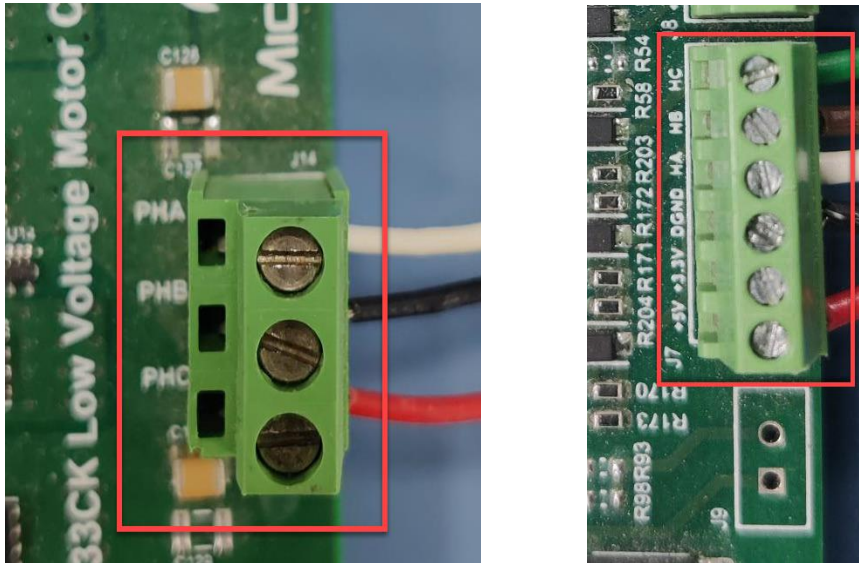
**Note:**

All items listed under this section [Hardware Tools Required for the Demonstration](#) are available at [microchip DIRECT](#).

### 3. HARDWARE SETUP

This section describes the hardware setup needed for the demonstration.

1. Connect the 3-phase wires from the motor to PHC, PHB, and PHA of the J14 connector and encoder wires from the motor to +5V, GND, HA, HB, and HC terminals of connector J7 (in the same order as shown in the picture), provided on the dsPIC33CK LVMC Board.



*Note: The phase and hall sensor connector sequence can be found in the **Hardware Init** block of the model, as shown below*

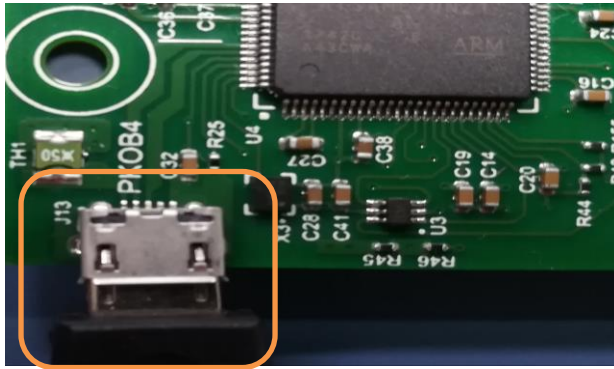
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PHA - White  
PHB - Black  
PHC - Red

Hall Sensor with:  
HA: White wire  
HB: Brown wire  
HC: Green wire  
+5V : Red wire  
GND: Black wire

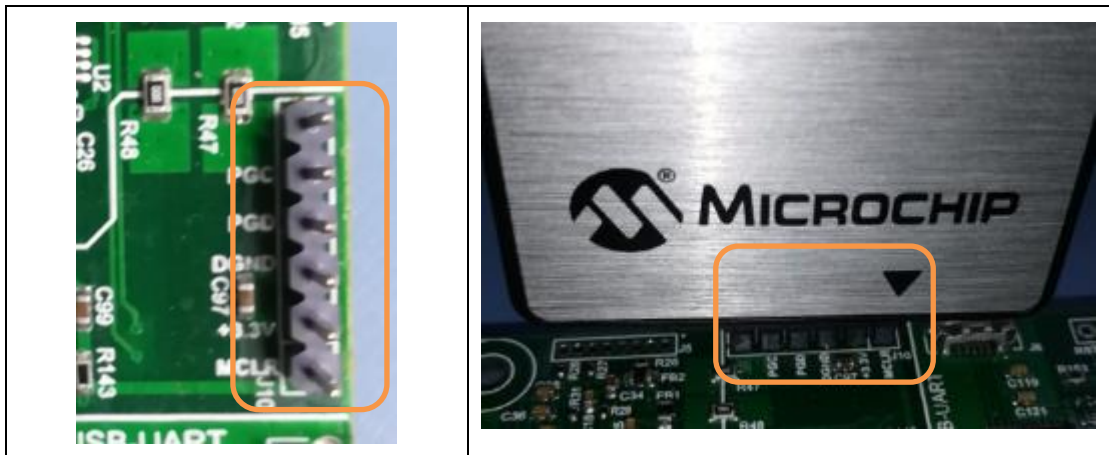
2. Plug in the 24V power supply to connector J1 provided on the dsPIC33CK LVMC Board. Alternatively, the Inverter Board can also be powered through Connector J2.



3. The board has an onboard programmer 'PICkit™ On Board (PKoBv4)', which can be used for programming or debugging the dsPIC33CK256MP508. To use an on-board programmer, connect a micro-USB cable between the Host PC and Micro USB connector J13 provided on the dsPIC33CK LVMC Board.



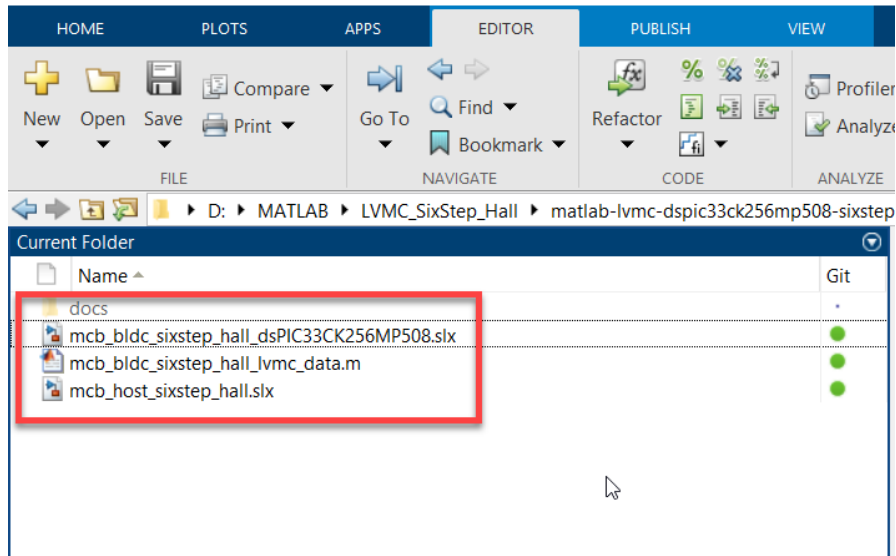
4. Alternatively, the device can also be programmed using the programmer/debugger (MPLAB<sup>®</sup> PICkit™ 4 In-Circuit Debugger - [PG164140](#)) by interfacing it through connector J10 of the dsPIC33CK LVMC Board, as shown below. Ensure that the programmer is oriented correctly before proceeding.



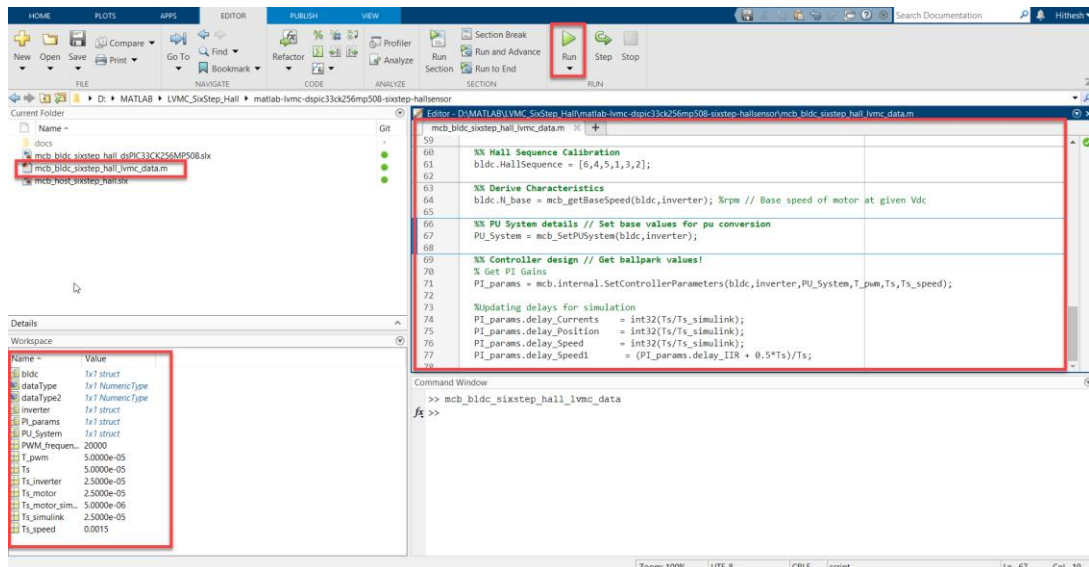
## 4. BASIC DEMONSTRATION

Follow the below instructions step-by-step, to set up and run the motor control demo application:

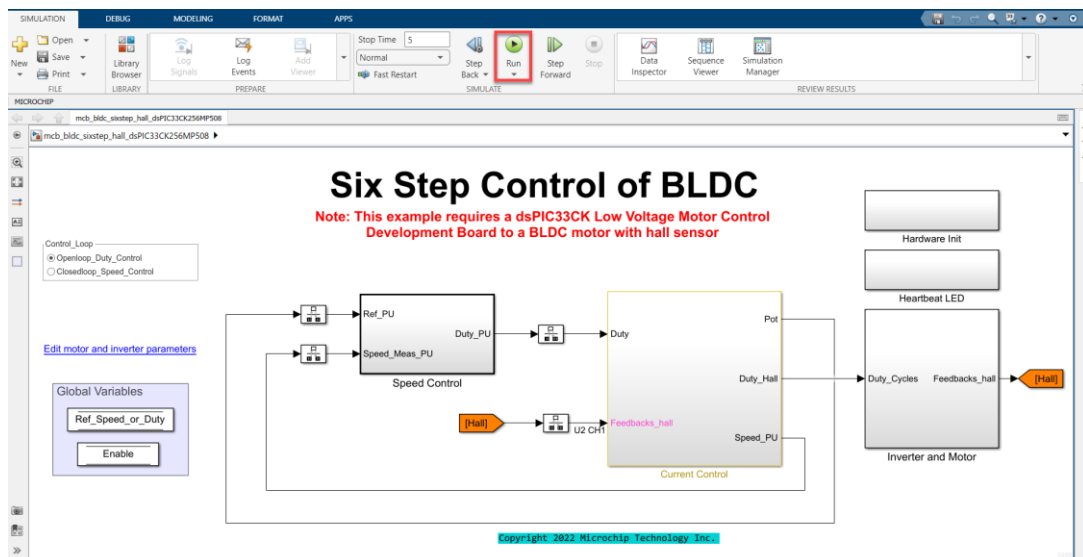
1. Launch the MATLAB (refer the section “2.2 Software Tools Used for Testing the MATLAB/Simulink Model”).
2. Open the folder downloaded from the repository, in which the MATLAB files are saved (refer “2.1 MATLAB Model Required for the Demonstration”).



3. Double click and open the .m file. This .m file contains the configuration parameter for the motor and board. By default, the .m file is configured to run Hurst 300 motor and LVMC board. Run the file by clicking the “Run” icon and wait till all variables get loaded on the ‘Workspace’ tab.



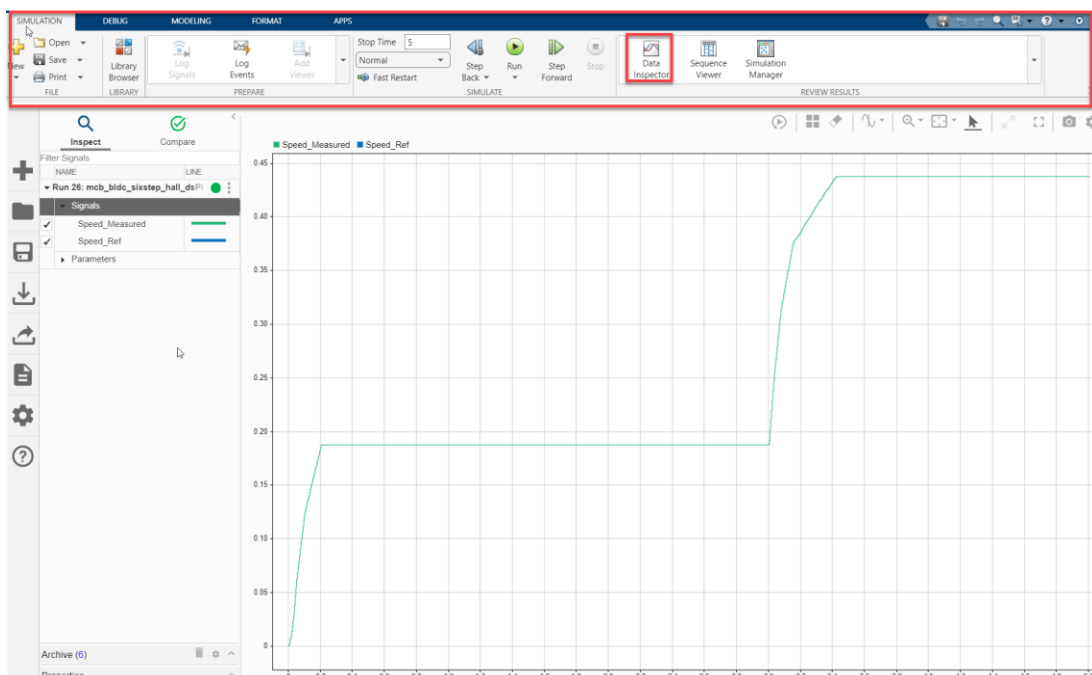
- Double click on the Simulink model (.slx file). This opens the Simulink model as shown below.



In this model the algorithm can operate in two different control modes referred as **Openloop\_Duty\_Control** and **Closedloop\_Speed\_Control**. Select the mode to run the motor. Click on the "Run" icon to start the simulation.

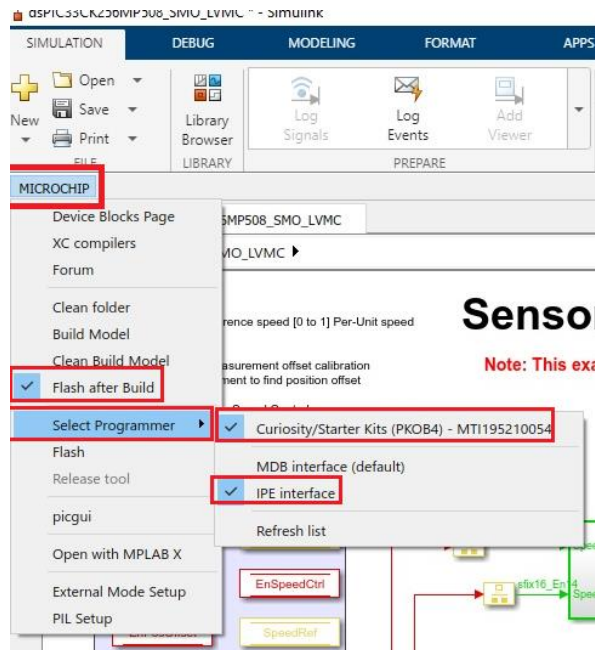
Mode	Description
Openloop_Duty_Control	The duty cycle is varied using the potentiometer
Closedloop_Speed_Control	The speed of the motor is controlled using the closedloop PI controller

- To plot the simulation result, **Data Inspector** is used (refer to figure below). To observe the additional signals, log them as required. Alternatively, normal Simulink Scope can be used to plot.

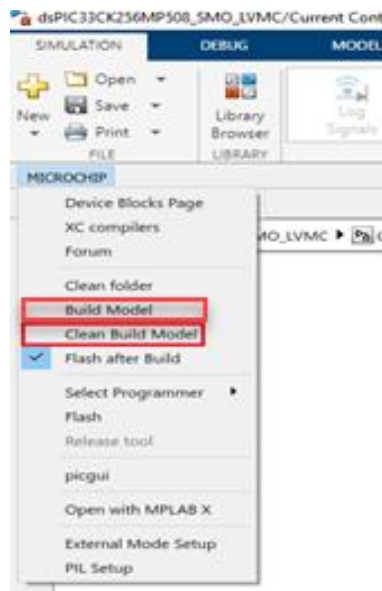


- From this Simulink model an MPLAB X project can be generated, and it can be used to run the PMSM motor using LVMC board.

To generate the code from the Simulink model, go to the “**MICROCHIP**” tab, and enable the tabs shown in the figure below.

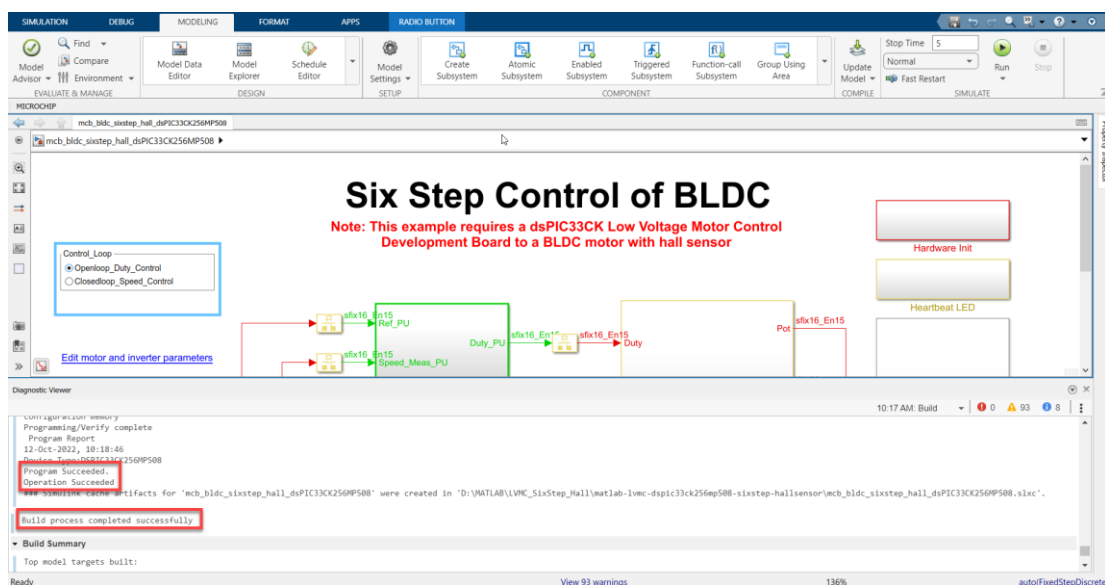


- To generate the code and run the motor, click on ‘**Build Model**’ or ‘**Clean Build Model**’ option under the “**Microchip**” tab. This will generate the MPLAB X project from the Simulink model and program the dsPIC33CK256MP508 device.

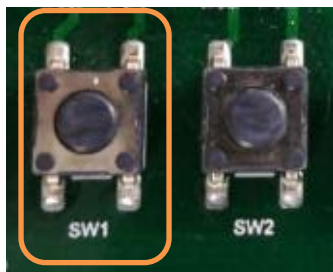




- After completing the process, the 'Operation Succeeded' message will be displayed on the 'Diagnostics Viewer.'



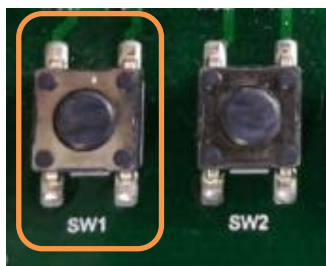
- If the device is successfully programmed, LED- LD10 and LD11 will be blinking.
- To Run the motor, press the push button **SW1**.



- The motor speed can be varied using the potentiometer (labeled "POT1").



- Press the push button **SW1** to stop the motor.



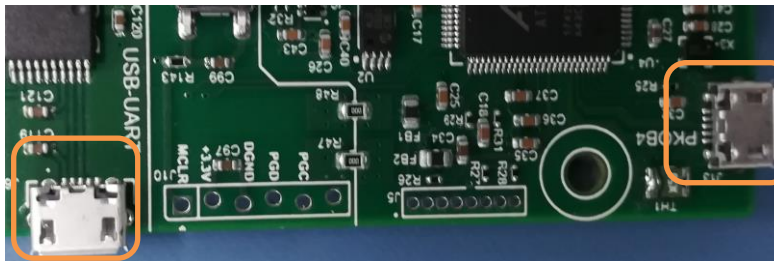
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To run in the Closedloop\_Speed\_Control, select the mode on the model and repeat the steps 6 to 12.

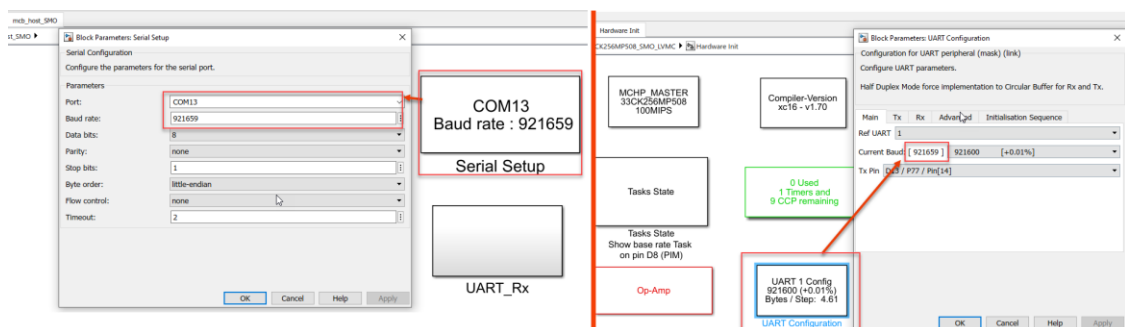
## 5. DATA VISUALIZATION USING MOTOR CONTROL BLOCKSET (MCB) HOST MODEL

The Sensorless FOC model comes with the initialization required for data visualization using Motor Control Blockset Host Model (MCB Host Model). The MCB Host Model is a Simulink model which facilitates data visualization through the UART Serial Interface.

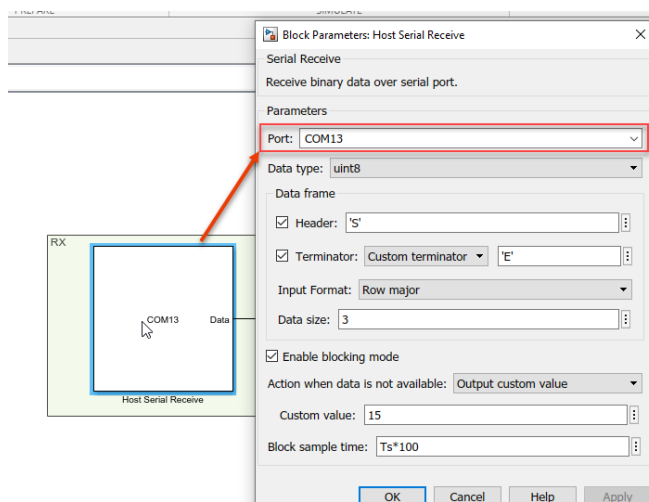
1. To establish serial communication with the host PC, connect a micro-USB cable between the host PC and the dsPIC33CK LVMC Board (J13 connector). This interface is used for programming as well. (Alternatively, a micro-USB cable can be from your computer to the J6 connector of the dsPIC33CK LVMC Board to establish the serial communication).



2. Ensure the sensorless FOC model is programmed and running as described under section 4. [Basic Demonstration](#) by following steps 1 through 13.
3. Open the MCB Host model and double click on the “**Serial Setup**” block. Then select the appropriate COM port connected to the hardware from the drop-down menu and set the baud rate as 921659. Please note that the same baud rate is required to be chosen in the **Sensorless FOC model** (the baud rate can be viewed on the “**UART Configuration block**” in the “**Hardware Init**” subsystem).

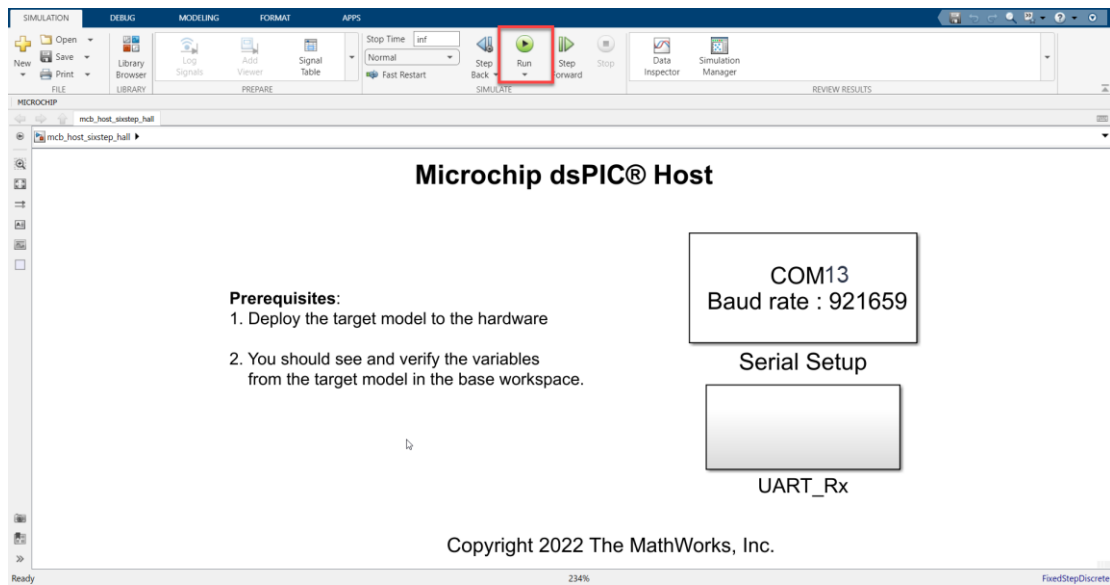


4. Open the “**UART\_Rx**” subsystem to configure the COM port. This can be done by configuring the “**Host Serial Receive**” block of the “**UART\_Rx**” subsystem. Ensure to select the same COM port configured in step 3.

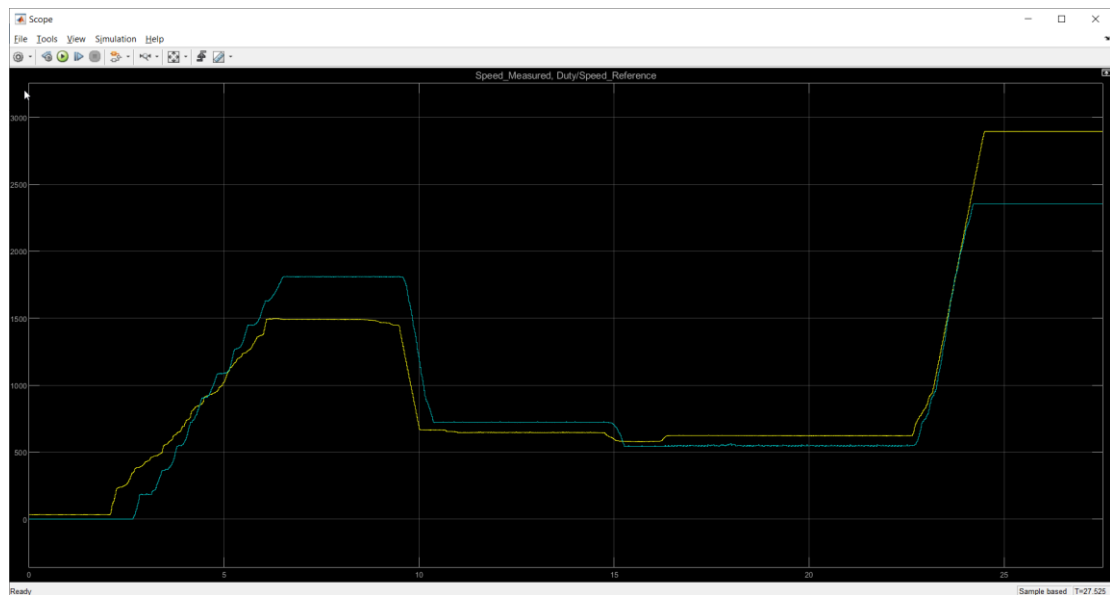




5. Click the run icon of the **MCB Host** model to open the scope window and monitor the signals.



6. Figure below shows an example of plotted signals (Speed\_Measured and Duty\_Reference) using the MCB Host Model.



### 6. REFERENCES:

For more information, refer to the following documents or links.

1. AN957 Application Note ([“Sensored BLDC Motor Control Using dsPIC Digital Signal Controllers \(DSCs\)”](#))
2. DsPIC33CK LVMC Board User’s Guide ([DS50003297](#))
3. [MPLAB<sup>®</sup> X IDE installation](#)
4. [MPLAB<sup>®</sup> XC16 Compiler installation](#)
5. [Motor Control Blockset](#)
6. [MPLAB Device Blocks for Simulink :dsPIC, PIC32 and SAM mcu](#)