

Getting started - oDrive V3.5

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- Connect the three phases of one or both motors
- connect the brake resistor to AUX + and AUX - (resistor has no polarity)
- connect the ABI encoder (5 pins: A, B, I (or X, Z), 5V and GND)
- connect the oDrive to the computer via USB
- check that the switch on SW1 is on RUN, not on DFU (= device firmware update)
- connect the oDrive DC+ and DC- to a direct current power supply (pay attention to polarity); minimum voltage for all board versions is 12 VDC
- download and install odrivetool following these steps: <https://docs.odriverobotics.com/#downloading-and-installing-tools> (offline version [Getting Started ODrive.pdf](#))
- in your bash/shell, move to the directory that has odrivetool, typically in odrive/tools/, and run the tool by typing ./odrivetool; for Windows, see description on oDrive homepage([Link](#))
- turn on power supply with at least half of the oDrive's maximum voltage (there are 24V oDrives and 48V oDrives, higher voltages ~~may be available online soon~~ are available in the oDrive shop), start with low maximal current, e. g. 2A
- check if the PWR LED on your oDrive is on
- odrivetool should recognize the oDrive after some seconds but if you want a specific oDrive to be connected, type \$./odrivetool --serial-number <your serial number here>
- set up for the motor (in this example, connected to M0, which odrivetool knows as axis0)
 - odrivetool should automatically recognize the odrive and put out a 'connected' notice
 - to inspect all available parameters and variables, type odrv0 (or odrv1, depending on how many oDrives are connected)
 - you can go into deeper variable levels pertaining to python objects by typing for example odrv0.config or odrv0.axis0
 - first, make sure the motor will not get overloaded, so set limits (the values given here are for a T-Motor MN4006-23, 0.3A idle current, 16 A max current)
 - odrv0.axis0.motor.config.current_lim = 2
 - odrv0.axis0.controller.config.vel_limit = 2000 (velocity is in encoder counts / sec)
 - odrv0.axis0.motor.config.calibration_current = 1
 - odrv0.config.brake_resistance = 2.0
 - odrv0.axis0.motor.config.pole_pairs = 12

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 - `odrv0.axis0.motor.config.motor_type = 0` (for high current motors; for gimbal motors set `motor_type = 1`)
 - `odrv0.axis0.encoder.config.cpr = 8192` (CPR = 4xPPR, PPR being the pulses per rotation for one channel. You have to multiply by 4, since oDrive is counting both rising and falling edges for both A and B channel)
 - `odrv0.save_configuration()` (keep this command in mind since for many errors, this command followed by `odrv0.reboot()` helps)
 - `odrv0.reboot()`
- now do the calibration, save and reboot again:
 - `odrv0.axis0.requested_state =`
`AXIS_STATE_FULL_CALIBRATION_SEQUENCE`
- for now, control should work; type
 - `odrv0.axis0.requested_state = AXIS_STATE_CLOSED_LOOP_CONTROL` ← this automatically sets position control
 - if calibration fails in the first place and the coils are not powered, set `odrv0.axis0.controller.config.vel_limit_tolerance = 0.0`
- **please not that this setting makes the controller IGNORE any velocity overshoot!**
- tune the controller via its parameters, which you can all check by typing
 - `odrv0.axis0.controller.config`
- you can change control mode in `odrvX.axisX.controller.config.control_mode` (for control modes see below)
- if you use the same motor each time, you can avoid the calibration required at each startup by typing `odrv0.axis0.motor`