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Overview

Controller Notation

This command reference is a supplement to the Galil User Manual. For proper controller operation, consult the Users Manual. This command reference describes commands for Galil Accelera Series Motion Controller: DMC-40x0. Commands are listed in alphabetical order.

Please note that all commands may not be valid for every controller. To identify the controllers for which the command is applicable, please review the Usage Section of the command description.

Trippoints

The controller provides several commands that can be used to make logical decisions, or “trippoints,” based on events during a running program. Such events include: the completion of a specific motion, waiting for a certain position to be reached, or simply waiting for a certain amount of time to elapse.

When a program is executing on the controller, each program line is executed sequentially. However, when a trippoint command is executed, the program halts execution of the next line of code until the status of the trippoint is cleared. Note that the trippoint only halts execution of the thread from which it is commanded while all other independent threads are unaffected. Additionally, if the trippoint is commanded from a subroutine, execution of the subroutine, as well as the main thread, is halted.

Since trippoint commands are used as program flow instructions during a running program, they should not be implemented directly from the command line of the terminal. Sending a trippoint command directly from the command line might cause an interruption in communications between the host PC and the controller until the trippoint is cleared.

As a brief introduction, the following table lists the available commands and their basic usages:

AD	after distance
AI	after input
AM	after move

AP	after absolute position
AR	after relative position
AS	at speed
AT	at time relative to a reference time
AV	after vector distance
MC	motion complete and “in position”
MF	after motion forward
MR	after motion reverse
WT	wait for time

Command Descriptions

Each executable instruction is listed in the following section in alphabetical order. Below is a description of the information which is provided for each command.

The two-letter Opcode for each instruction is placed in the upper left corner. Below the opcode is a description of the command and required arguments.

Axes Arguments

Some commands require the user to identify the specific axes to be affected. These commands are followed by uppercase X,Y,Z, W or A,B,C,D,E,F,G and H. No commas are needed and the order of axes is not important. Do not insert any spaces prior to any command. For example, STX; AMX is invalid because there is a space after the semicolon. The proper syntax for commands requires that the command argument be separated from the command by a single space. When an argument is not required and is not given, the command is executed for all axes.

Valid syntax

SH A	Servo Here, A only
SH ABD	Servo Here, A,B and D axes
SH ACD	Servo Here, A,C and D axes
SH ABCD	Servo Here, A,B, C and D axes
SH BCAD	Servo Here, A,B,C and D axes
SH ADEG	Servo Here, A,D,E and G axes
SH H	Servo Here, H axis only
SH	Servo Here, all axes

Parameter Arguments

Some commands require numerical arguments to be specified following the instruction. In the argument description, these commands are followed by lower case n,n,n,n,n,n,n, where the letter, n, represents the value. Values may be specified for any axis separately or any combination of axes. The argument for each axis is separated by commas. Examples of valid syntax are listed below.

Valid syntax

AC n	Specify argument for A axis only
AC n,n	Specify argument for A and B only
AC n,,n	Specify argument for A and C only
AC n,n,n,n	Specify arguments for A,B,C,D axes
AC n,n,n,n	Specify arguments for A,B,C,D
AC ,n,,n	Specify arguments for B and E axis only
AC ,,n,n	Specify arguments for E and F

Where n is replaced by actual values.

Direct Command Arguments

An alternative method for specifying data is to set data for individual axes using an axis designator followed by an equals sign. The * symbol can be used in place of the axis designator. The * defines data for all axes to be the same. For example:

PRB=1000	Sets B axis data at 1000
PR*=1000	Sets all axes to 1000

Interrogation

Most commands accept a question mark (?) as an argument. This argument causes the controller to return parameter information listed in the command description. Type the command followed by a ? for each axis requested. The syntax format is the same as the parameter arguments described above except '?' replaces the values.

PR ?	The controller will return the PR value for the A axis
PR ,,?	The controller will return the PR value for the D axis
PR ?,?,?,?	The controller will return the PR value for the A,B,C and D axes
PR ,,,,,,?	The controller will return the PR value for the H axis
PR*=?	The controller will return the PR value for all axes

Operand Usage

Most commands have a corresponding operand that can be used for interrogation. The Operand Usage description provides proper syntax and the value returned by the operand. Operands must be used inside of valid

DMC expressions. For example, to display the value of an operand, the user could use the command:

```
MG 'operand'
```

All of the command operands begin with the underscore character (_). For example, the value of the current position on the A axis can be assigned to the variable 'V' with the command:

```
V=_TPA
```

Usage Description

The Usage description specifies the restrictions on proper command usage. The following provides an explanation of the command information provided:

"While Moving":

Describes whether the command is valid while the controller is performing a motion.

"In a program":

Describes whether the command may be used as part of a user-defined program.

"Command Line":

Describes whether the command may be used as a direct command.

"Controller Usage":

Identifies the controller models that can accept the command.

Default Description

In the command description, the DEFAULT section provides the default values for controller setup parameters. These parameters can be changed and the new values can be saved in the controller's non-volatile memory by using the command, BN. If the setup parameters are not saved in non-volatile memory, the default values will automatically reset when the system is reset. A reset occurs when the power is turned off and on, when the reset button is pushed, or the command, RS, is given.

Resetting the Controller to Factory Default

When a master reset occurs, the controller will always reset all setup parameters to their default values and the non-volatile memory is cleared to the factory state. A master reset is executed by the command, <ctrl R> <ctrl S> <Return> OR by powering up or resetting the controller with the MRST jumper on.

For example, the command KD is used to set the Derivative Constant for each axis. The default value for the derivative constant is 64. If this parameter is not set by using the command, KD, the controller will automatically set this value to 64 for each axis. If the Derivative Constant is changed but not saved in non-volatile memory, the default value of 64 will be used if the controller is reset or upon power up of the controller. If this value is set and saved in non-volatile memory, it will be restored upon reset until a master reset is given to the controller.

The default format describes the format for numerical values which are returned when the command is interrogated. The format value represents the number of digits before and after the decimal point.

#

Label (subroutine)

Full Description

The # operator denotes the name of a program label (for example #Move). Labels can be up to seven characters long and are often used to implement subroutines or loops. Labels are divided into (a) user defined and (b) automatic subroutines. User defined labels can be printed with LL and the number of labels left available can be queried with MG _DL. The automatic subroutines include #CMDERR, #LIMSWI, #POSERR, #ININT, #AUTO, #AUTOERR, and #MCTIME (no RIO). A label can only be defined at the beginning of a new line.

There is a maximum of 510 labels available

Arguments

#nnnnnnn where
nnnnnnn is a label name up to seven characters

Usage

Usage and Default Details

Usage	Value
While Moving (no RIO)	Yes
In a Program	Yes
Command Line	No
Controller Usage	ALL
Default Value	-
Default Format	-

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

#AMPERR

Amplifier error automatic subroutine

Full Description

#AMPERR is used to run code when a fault occurs on a Galil amplifier. See the TA command and individual amplifier information in the DMC-40x0 User Manual.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

TA
Tell amplifier status
CN
Configure I/O
OE
Off on error

Examples:

#AUTO

Subroutine to run automatically upon power up

Full Description

#AUTO denotes code to run automatically when power is applied to the controller, or after the controller is reset. When no host software is used with the controller, #AUTO and the BP command are required to run an application program on the controller.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

BP Burn program
EN End program

Examples:

```
#AUTO          ;'Start on powerup  
SB1           ;'Set bit 1  
WT500        ;'Wait 500msec  
CB1          ;'Clear bit 1  
JP#AUTO      ;'Jump back to #AUTO  
EN           ;'EN to end
```

#AUTOERR

Automatic subroutine for notification of EEPROM checksum errors

Full Description

#AUTOERR will run code upon power up if data in the EEPROM has been corrupted. The EEPROM is considered corrupt if the checksum calculated on the bytes in the EEPROM do not match the checksum written to the EEPROM. The type of checksum error can be queried with `_RS`

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

`_RS`
Checksum error code
`EN`
End program

Examples:

#CMDERR

Command error automatic subroutine

Full Description

Without #CMDERR defined, if an error (see TC command) occurs in an application program running on the Galil controller, the program (all threads) will stop. #CMDERR allows the programmer to handle the error by running code instead of stopping the program.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

TC
Tell Error Code
_ED
Last program line with an error
EN
End program

Examples:

```
#BEGIN                                ;'Begin main program
  IN "ENTER SPEED",Speed ;'Prompt for speed
  JG Speed
  BGX                                ;'Begin motion
EN                                    ;'End main program
```

#COMINT

Communication interrupt automatic subroutine

Full Description

#COMINT can be configured by the CI command to run either when any character or a carriage return is received on the auxiliary serial port.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

P2CD
Serial port 2 code
P2CH
Serial port 2 character
P2NM
Serial port 2 number
P2ST
Serial port 2 string
CI
Configure #COMINT
CC
Configure serial port 2
EN
End subroutine

Examples:

```
#A           ;'Program Label  
CC9600,0,1,0  
CI2         ;'interrupt on any character
```

#ININT

Input interrupt automatic subroutine

Full Description

#ININT runs upon a state transition of digital inputs 1 to 8 and is configured with II.
#ININT runs in thread 0.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

II
Input interrupt
@IN[n]
Read digital input
RI
Return from interrupt

Examples:

```
#A  
II1 ;' arm digital input 1
```

#LIMSWI

Limit switch automatic subroutine

Full Description

Without #LIMSWI defined, the controller will effectively issue the STn on the axis when it's limit switch is tripped. With #LIMSWI defined, the axis is still stopped, and in addition, code is executed. #LIMSWI is most commonly used to turn the motor off when a limit switch is tripped (see example below). For #LIMSWI to run, the switch corresponding to the direction of motion must be tripped (forward limit switch for positive motion and negative limit switch for negative motion). #LIMSWI interrupts thread 0 when it runs.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

_LFX
State of Forward limit switch
_LRX
State of Reverse limit switch

Examples:

```
#Main                                ;'print a message every  
second  
    MG "Main"  
    WT1000  
JP#Main  
EN
```

#MCTIME

MC command timeout automatic subroutine

Full Description

#MCTIME runs when the MC command is used to wait for motion to be complete, and the actual position TP does not reach or pass the target $_PA + _PR$ within the specified timeout TW.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

MC
Wait for motion complete trip point
TW
MC timeout

Examples:

```
#BEGIN          ;'Begin main program
  TWX=1000      ;'Set the time out to 1000 ms
  PRX=10000    ;'Position relative
  BGX          ;'Begin motion
  MCX          ;'Motion Complete trip point
EN            ;'End main program
```

#POSERR

Position error automatic subroutine

Full Description

The factory default behavior of the Galil controller upon a position error ($TE > ER$) is to do nothing more than turn on the red error LED. If OE is set to 1, the motor whose position error ER was exceeded will be turned off MO. #POSERR can be used if the programmer wishes to run code upon a position error (for example to notify a host computer).

The #POSERR label causes the statements following to be automatically executed if error on any axis exceeds the error limit specified by ER. The error routine must be closed with the RE command. The RE command returns from the error subroutine to the main program.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

OE
Off on error
TE
Tell error
ER
Error limit

Examples:

```
#A          ; "Dummy" program  
JP #A
```

#TCPERR

Ethernet communication error automatic subroutine

Full Description

The following error (see TC) occurs when a command such as MG "hello" {EA} is sent to a failed Ethernet connection:

123 TCP lost sync or timeout

This error means that the client on handle A did not respond with a TCP acknowledgement (for example because the Ethernet cable was disconnected). Handle A is closed in this case.

#TCPERR allows the application programmer to run code (for example to reestablish the connection) when error 123 occurs.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No

Operand Usage

Related Commands

TC
Tell error code
_IA4
Last dropped handle
MG
Print message
SA
Send ASCII command via Ethernet

Examples:

```
#L  
MG {EA} "L"  
WT1000
```

```
JP#L
#TCPERR
  MG {P1} "TCPERR. Dropped handle", _IA4
RE
'NOTE: Use RE to end the routine
```


\$

Hexadecimal

Full Description

The \$ operator denotes that the following string is in hexadecimal notation.

Arguments

\$nnnnnnnn.mmmm

n is up to eight hexadecimal digits (denoting 32 bits of integer)

m is up to four hexadecimal digits (denoting 16 bits of fraction)

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

+ - * / % Multiply (shift left)

+ - * / % Divide (shift right)

MG {\$8.4} Print in hexadecimal

Examples:

```
x = $7fffffff.0000           ;'store 2147483647 in x
y = x & $0000ffff.0000       ;'store lower 16 bits of x in y
z = x & $ffff0000.0000 / $10000 ;'store upper 16 bits of x in z
```

& , |

Bitwise Logical Operators AND and OR

Full Description

The operators & and | are typically used with IF, JP, and JS to perform conditional jumps; however, they can also be used to perform bitwise logical operations.

Arguments

n & m or n | m where

n and m are signed numbers in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647.

For IF, JP, and JS, n and m are typically the results of logical expressions such as (x > 2)

"&" is also used to pass a variable by reference in a JS call. See JS.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@COM[n]
Bitwise complement
IF
If statement
JP
Jump statement
JS
Jump subroutine

Examples:

```
IF (x > 2) & (y = 4)
  MG "true"
ENDIF      ;'x must be greater than 2 and y equal to 4
           ;'for the message to print
```

(,)

Parentheses (order of operations)

Full Description

The parentheses denote the order of math and logical operations. Note that the controller DOES NOT OBEY STANDARD OPERATOR PRECEDENCE. For example, multiplication is NOT evaluated before addition. Instead, the controller follows left-to-right precedence. Therefore, it is recommended to use parenthesis as much as possible.

Arguments

(n) where
n is a math (+ - * /) or logical (& |) expression

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

+ - * / %
Math Operators
& |
Logical Operators

Examples:

```
:MG 1 + 2 * 3  
9.0000  
:MG 1 + (2 * 3)  
7.0000
```

;

Semicolon (Command Delimiter)

Full Description

The semicolon operator allows multiple Galil commands to exist on a single line. It is used for the following three reasons:

- (1) To put comments on the same line as the command (BGX ;'begin motion)
- (2) To compress DMC programs to fit within the program line limit (Note: use a compression utility to do this. Do not program this way because it is hard to read.)
- (3) To give higher priority to a thread. All commands on a line are executed before the thread scheduler switches to the next thread.

Arguments

n; n; n; ? where
n is a Galil command

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

NO (' apostrophe also accepted)
comment

Examples:

BGX; 'comment

@ABS[n]

Absolute value

Full Description

Takes the absolute value of the given number. Returns the value if positive, and returns -1 times the value if negative.

Arguments

@ABS[n] where
n is a signed number in the range -2147483647 to 2147483647

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@SQR[n] Square Root

Examples:

```
:MG @ABS[-2147483647]  
2147483647.0000
```

@ACOS[n]

Inverse cosine

Full Description

Returns in degrees the arc cosine of the given number.

Arguments

@ACOS[n] where
n is a signed number in the range -1 to 1.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@ASIN[n]
Arc sine
@SIN[n]
sine
@ATAN[n]
Arc tangent
@COS[n]
Cosine
@TAN[n]
Tangent

Examples:

```
:MG @ACOS[-1]  
180.0000  
:MG @ACOS[0]  
90.0000  
:MG @ACOS[1]  
0.0001
```

@AN[n]

Analog Input Query

Full Description

Returns the value of the given analog input in volts

Arguments

@AN[n] where n is the input number assigned to a particular analog input pin (1-8)

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

@AN[] is an operand, not a command. It can only be used as an argument to other commands and operators

Related Commands

AQ Analog Range

Examples:

```
:MG @AN[1] ;'print analog input 1  
1.7883  
:x = @AN[1] ;'assign analog input 1 to a variable
```

@ASIN[n]

Inverse sine

Full Description

Returns in degrees the arc sine of the given number.

Arguments

@ASIN[n] where
n is a signed number in the range -1 to 1.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@ACOS[n]
Arc cosine
@SIN[n]
sine
@ATAN[n]
Arc tangent
@COS[n]
Cosine
@TAN[n]
Tangent

Examples:

```
:MG @ASIN[-1]  
-90.0000  
:MG @ASIN[0]  
0.0000  
:MG @ASIN[1]  
90.0000
```


@ATAN[n]

Inverse tangent

Full Description

Returns in degrees the arc tangent of the given number.

Arguments

@ATAN[n]

n is a signed number in the range -2147483647 to 2147483647

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@ASIN[n]

Arc sine

@SIN[n]

sine

@ACOS[n]

Arc cosine

@COS[n]

Cosine

@TAN[n]

Tangent

Examples:

```
:MG @ATAN[-10]
```

```
-84.2894
```

```
:MG @ATAN[0]
```

```
0.0000
```

```
:MG @ATAN[10]
```

```
84.2894
```

@COM[n]

Bitwise complement

Full Description

Performs the bitwise complement (NOT) operation to the given number

Arguments

@COM[n] where

n is a signed integer in the range -2147483647 to 2147483647.

The integer is interpreted as a 32-bit field.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

& |

Logical operators AND and OR

Examples:

```
:MG {$8.0} @COM[0]
$FFFFFFFF
:MG {$8.0} @COM[$FFFFFFFF]
$00000000
```

@COS[n]

Cosine

Full Description

Returns the cosine of the given angle in degrees

Arguments

@COS[n] where
n is a signed number in degrees in the range of -32768 to 32767, with a fractional resolution of 16-bit.

Usage

Default Value -
In a Program Yes
Command Line Yes
Default Format -

While Moving Yes

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@ASIN[n] Arc sine
@SIN[n] Sine
@ATAN[n] Arc tangent
@ACOS[n] Arc cosine
@TAN[n] Tangent

Examples:

```
:MG @COS[0]  
1.0000  
:MG @COS[90]  
0.0000  
:MG @COS[180]  
-1.0000  
:MG @COS[270]  
0.0000  
:MG @COS[360]  
1.0000
```

@FRAC[n]

Fractional part

Full Description

Returns the fractional part of the given number

Arguments

@FRAC[n], n is a signed number in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@INT[n]
Integer part

Examples:

```
:MG @FRAC[1.2]  
0.2000  
:MG @FRAC[-2.4]  
-0.4000
```

@IN[n]

Read digital input

Full Description

Returns the value of the given digital input (either 0 or 1)

Arguments

@IN[n] where

n is an unsigned integer in the range 1 to 96

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@AN[n]
Read analog input
@OUT[n]
Read digital output
SB
Set digital output bit
CB
Clear digital output bit
OF
Set analog output offset

Examples:

```
MG @IN[1]
:1.0000
x = @IN[1]
x = ?
:1.000      print digital input 1
```

@INT[n]

Integer part

Full Description

Returns the integer part of the given number. Note that the modulus operator can be implemented with @INT (see example below).

Arguments

@INT[n]

n is a signed number in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@FRAC[n]

Fractional part

Examples:

```
:MG @INT[1.2]
1.0000
:MG @INT[-2.4]
-2.0000
```

@OUT[n]

Read digital output

Full Description

Returns the value of the given digital output (either 0 or 1)

Arguments

@OUT[n] where

n is an unsigned integer in the range 1 to 80

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@AN[n]
Read analog input
@IN[n]
Read digital input
SB
Set digital output bit
CB
Clear digital output bit
OF
Set analog output offset

Examples:

```
MG @OUT[1] ;'print digital output 1
:1.0000
x = @OUT[1] ;'assign digital output 1 to a variable
```

@RND[n]

Round

Full Description

Rounds the given number to the nearest integer

Arguments

@RND[n]

n is a signed number in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@INT[n]

Truncates to the nearest integer

Examples:

```
:MG @RND[1.2]
1.0000
:MG @RND[5.7]
6.0000
:MG @RND[-1.2]
-1.0000
:MG @RND[-5.7]
-6.0000
:MG @RND[5.5]
6.0000
:MG @RND[-5.5]
-5.0000
```


@SIN[n]

Sine

Full Description

Returns the sine of the given angle in degrees

Arguments

@SIN[n] where
n is a signed number in degrees in the range of -32768 to 32767, with a fractional resolution of 16-bit.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@ASIN[n]
Arc sine
@COS[n]
Cosine
@ATAN[n]
Arc tangent
@ACOS[n]
Arc cosine
@TAN[n]
Tangent

Examples:

```
:MG @SIN[0]  
0.0000  
:MG @SIN[90]  
1.0000  
:MG @SIN[180]  
0.0000  
:MG @SIN[270]
```

-1.0000
:MG @SIN[360]
0.0000

@SQR[n]

Square Root

Full Description

Takes the square root of the given number. If the number is negative, the absolute value is taken first.

Arguments

@SQR[n] where
n is a signed number in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@ABS[n]
Absolute value

Examples:

```
:MG @SQR[ 2]  
1.4142  
:MG @SQR[-2]  
1.4142
```

[,]

Square Brackets (Array Index Operator)

Full Description

The square brackets are used to denote the array index for an array, or to denote an array name. (They are also used to designate the argument to a function, such as @ABS[n].)

Arguments

mmmmmmmm[n] where
mmmmmmmm is the array name
n is the array index and is an integer between 0 and 15999
When used in an array, n=-1 returns the array length.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

DM
Dimension Array
QU
Print/Upload Array

Examples:

^a, ^b, ^c, ^d, ^e, ^f, ^g, ^h

JS subroutine stack variable

Full Description

Provides local subroutine access for up to 8 variables passed on the subroutine stack when using the JS (jump to subroutine) command. Passing values on the stack is advanced DMC programming, and is recommended for experienced DMC programmers familiar with the concept of passing arguments by value and by reference. See the JS command for a full explanation of passing stack variables.

Notes:

1. Passing parameters has no type checking, so it is important to exercise good programming style when passing parameters. See examples below for recommended syntax.
2. Do not use spaces in expressions containing ^.
3. Global variables **MUST** be assigned prior to any use in subroutines where variables are passed by reference.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage DMC-4000

Operand Usage

Related Commands

MG Message
& Pass by reference
JS Jump to subroutine

Examples:

```
#Add
JS#SUM(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8)    ;' call subroutine, pass values
MG_JS                    ;' print return value
EN
'
#SUM                    ;NO(^a,^b,^c,^d,^e,^f,^g,^h) Sums the values ^a to ^h
and returns the result
```

```
EN,,(^a+^b+^c+^d+^e+^f+^g+^h) ;' return sum
```

```
:Executed program from program1.dmc
```

```
36.0000
```

Note: For additional examples, see the "JS Subroutine Stack Variables (^a, ^b, ^c, ^d, ^e, ^f, ^g, ^h)" section in the DMC-40x0 User Manual.

^L^K

Lock program

Full Description

<control>L<control>K locks user access to the application program. When locked, the ED, UL, LS, and TR commands will give privilege error #106. The application program will still run when locked.

The locked or unlocked state can be saved with a BN command. Upon master reset, the controller is unlocked. Once the program is unlocked, it will remain accessible until a lock command or a reset (with the locked condition burned in) occurs.

Arguments

<control>L<control>Kpassword,n where
When n is 1, this command will lock the application program.
When n is 0, the program will be unlocked.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program No Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

PW
Password
ED
Edit program
UL
Upload program
LS
List program
TR
Trace program

Examples:

```
:PW test,test      Set password to "test"
```

:^L^Ktest,1 Lock the program
:ED Attempt to edit program

^R^S

Master Reset

Full Description

The Master Reset command resets the RIO to factory default settings and erases EEPROM.

A master reset can also be performed by installing a jumper at the location labeled MRST and resetting the board (power cycle or pressing the reset button). Remove the jumper after this procedure.

Arguments

Usage

In a Program No
Command Line Yes
Can be Interrogated No
Used as an Operand No

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

^R^V

Revision Information

Full Description

The Revision Information command causes the RIO board to return the firmware revision information.

Arguments

Usage

In a Program No
Command Line Yes
Can be Interrogated No
Used as an Operand No

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

_GP

Gearing Phase Differential Operand (Keyword)

Full Description

The `_GP` operand contains the value of the "phase differential"¹ accumulated on the most current change in the gearing ratio between the master and the slave axes. The value does not update if the distance over which the slave will engage is set to 0 with the `GD` command.

The operand is specified as: `_GPn` where `n` is the specified slave axis

¹Phase Differential is a term that is used to describe the lead or lag between the master axis and the slave axis due to gradual gear shift. $Pd = GR * C_m - C_s$ where `Pd` is the phase differential, `GR` is the gear ratio, `Cm` is the number of encoder counts the master axis moved, and `Cs` is the number of encoder counts the slave moved.

Arguments

Usage

Operand Usage

Related Commands

`GR`
Gear Ratio
`GA`
Gear Axis

Examples:

```
#A
GAY ;'Sets the Y axis as the gearing master for the X axis. ;'This
axis does not have to be under servo control. In ;'this example,
the axis is connected to a conveyor ;'operating open loop.
GD1000 ;'Set the distance that the master will travel to 1000
;'counts before the gearing is fully engaged for the X ;'axis slave.
AI-1 ;'Wait for input 1 to go low. In this example, this
;'input is representing a sensor that senses an object ;'on a
conveyor. This will trigger the controller to ;'begin gearing and
synchronize the master and slave ;'axes together.
GR1 ;'Engage gearing between the master and slave
P1=_TPY ;'Sets the current Y axis position to variable P1. This
;'variable is used in the next command, because MF ;'requires an
absolute position..
MF,(P1+1000) ;'Wait for the Y axis (master) to move forward
1000 ;'encoder counts so the gearing engagement period is
```

```
'complete. Then the phase difference can be adjusted 'for. Note
this example assumes forward motion.
IP_GPX      ;Increment the difference to bring the master/slave in
'position sync from the point that the GR1 command was 'issued.
EN  ;End Program
```

_LF

Forward Limit Switch Operand (Keyword)

Full Description

The `_LF` operand contains the state of the forward limit switch for the specified axis. The operand is specified as: `_LFn` where `n` is the specified axis.

Note: This operand is affected by the configuration of the limit switches set by the command `CN`:

For `CN -1`:

`_LFn = 1` when the limit switch input is inactive*

`_LFn = 0` when the limit switch input is active*

For `CN 1`:

`_LFn = 0` when the limit switch input is inactive*

`_LFn = 1` when the limit switch input is active*

* The term "active" refers to the condition when at least 1 ma of current is flowing through the input circuitry. The input circuitry can be configured to sink or source current to become active. See Chapter 3 in the User's Manual for further details.

Arguments

Usage

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
MG _LFA      Display the status of the A axis forward limit switch
```

_LR

Reverse Limit Switch Operand (Keyword)

Full Description

The `_LR` operand contains the state of the reverse limit switch for the specified axis. The operand is specified as: `_LRn` where n is the specified axis.

Note: This operand is affected by the configuration of the limit switches set by the command CN:

For CN -1:

`_LRn = 1` when the limit switch input is inactive*

`_LRn = 0` when the limit switch input is active*

For CN 1:

`_LRn = 0` when the limit switch input is inactive*

`_LRn = 1` when the limit switch input is active*

* The term "active" refers to the condition when at least 1 ma of current is flowing through the input circuitry. The input circuitry can be configured to sink or source current to become active. See Chapter 3 in the User's Manual for further details.

Arguments

Usage

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
MG _LRA      Display the status of the A axis reverse limit switch
```

~

Variable Axis Designator

Full Description

The ~ signifies a variable axis designator

Arguments

~n=m

n is a lowercase letter a through h

m is a positive integer 0 through 11, where

0 or "A" (quotes required) = X axis

1 or "B" = Y axis

2 or "C" = Z axis

3 or "D" = W axis

4 or "E" = E Axis

5 or "F" = F axis

6 or "G" = G axis

7 or "H" = H axis

8 or "S" = S coordinate system

9 or "T" = T coordinate system

10 or "N" = Virtual N axis

11 or "M" = Virtual M axis

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

~n contains the axis number 0-11

Related Commands

Examples:

+, -, *, /, %

Math Operators

Full Description

The addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and modulus operators are binary operators (they take two arguments and return one value) used to perform mathematical operations on variables, constants, and operands.

Arguments

$(n + m)$ or $(n - m)$ or $(n * m)$ or (n / m) or $(n \% m)$ where n and m are signed numbers in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

()
Parenthesis

Examples:

```
:x = ((1+(2*3))/7)-2;'assign -1 to x  
:MG 40 % 6 ;'integer remainder of 40 divided by 6  
4.0000
```


, =, <=, >=, <>

Comparison Operators

Full Description

The comparison operators are as follows:

< less than

> greater than

= equals

<= less than or equal

>= greater than or equal

<> not equals

These are used in conjunction with IF, JP, JS, (), &, and | to perform conditional jumps. The result of a comparison expression can also be printed with MG or assigned to a variable.

Arguments

(n < m) or (n > m) or (n = m) or (n <= m) or (n >= m) or (n <> m) where n and m are signed numbers in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

()

Parentheses

IF

If statement

JP

Jump

JS

Jump subroutine

Examples:

```
IF(x > 2) & (y = 4)
  MG "true"
ENDIF      ;'x must be greater than 2 and y equal to 4 for
;'the message to print
```

=

Equals (Assignment Operator)

Full Description

The assignment operator is used for three reasons:

(1) to define and initialize a variable ($x = 0$) before it is used

(2) to assign a new value to a variable ($x = 5$)

(3) to print a variable or array element ($x=$ which is equivalent to `MG x`). `MG` is the preferred method of printing.

Arguments

`mmmmmmmm = n` where

`mmmmmmmm` is a variable name and `n` is a signed number in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

`MG`

Print Message

Examples:

```
:x=5
:x=
 5.0000
:MG x
 5.0000
: ;'define and initialize x to 5
;'print x two different ways
```

AB

Abort

Full Description

AB (Abort) stops a motion instantly without a controlled deceleration. If there is a program operating, AB also aborts the program unless a 1 argument is specified. The command, AB, will shut off the motors for any axis in which the off on error function is enabled (see command OE).

AB aborts motion on all axes in motion and cannot stop individual axes.

Arguments

AB n where

n = 0 The controller aborts motion and program

n = 1 The controller aborts motion only

No argument will cause the controller to abort the motion and program

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value ---

In a Program Yes Default Format ---

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_AB gives state of Abort Input, 1 inactive and 0 active.

Related Commands

SH

Re-enables motor

OE

Specifies Off On Error

Examples:

```
AB ;'Stops motion
OE 1,1,1,1 ;'Enable off on error
AB ;'Shuts off motor command and stops motion
```

AC

Acceleration

Full Description

The Acceleration (AC) command sets the linear acceleration rate of the motors for independent moves, such as PR, PA and JG moves. The acceleration rate may be changed during motion. The DC command is used to specify the deceleration rate.

Arguments

AC n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or ACA=n where
n is an unsigned number in the range 1024 to 1073740800. The parameters input will be rounded down to the nearest factor of 1024. The units of the parameters are counts per second squared.
n = ? Returns the acceleration value for the specified axes.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 256000
In a Program Yes Default Format 10.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_ACx contains the value of acceleration for the specified axis.

Related Commands

DC
Specifies deceleration rate.
FA
Feedforward Acceleration
IT
Smoothing constant - S-curve

Examples:

```
AC 150000,200000,300000,400000    Set A-axis acceleration to  
150000, B-axis to 200000 counts/sec2, the C axis to 300000  
counts/sec2, and the D-axis to 400000 count/sec2.  
AC ?,?,?,? Request the Acceleration  
149504, 199680, 299008, 399360    Return Acceleration
```

(resolution, 1024)

V=_ACB Assigns the B acceleration to the variable V

Hint: Specify realistic acceleration rates based on your physical system such as motor torque rating, loads, and amplifier current rating. Specifying an excessive acceleration will cause large following error during acceleration and the motor will not follow the commanded profile. The acceleration feedforward command FA will help minimize the error.

AD

After Distance

Full Description

The After Distance (AD) command is a trippoint used to control the timing of events. This command will hold up the execution of the following command until one of the following conditions have been met:

1. The commanded motor position crosses the specified relative distance from the start of the move.
2. The motion profiling on the axis is complete.
3. If in jog (JG) mode, the commanded motion is in the direction which moves away from the specified position.

The units of the command are quadrature counts. Only one axis may be specified at a time. AD can only be used when there's command motion on the axis.

If the direction of motion is reversed when in PT mode, the starting position for AD is reinitialized to the position at which the motor is reversed.

Note: AD command will be affected when the motion smoothing time constant, IT, is not 1. See IT command for further information.

Arguments

AD n,n,n,n,n,n,n or ADA=n where

n is an unsigned integers in the range 0 to 2147483647 decimal.

Note: The AD command cannot have more than 1 argument.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line No

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

AV

After distance for vector moves

AP

After position trip point

AR

After relative distance trip point

MF
Motion Forward trip point
MR
Motion Reverse trip point

Examples:

```
#A;DP0,0      ;'Begin Program
PR 10000,20000 ;'Specify positions
BG           ;'Begin motion
AD 5000      ;'After A reaches 5000
MG "Halfway to A";TPA      ;'Send message
AD ,10000    ;'After B reaches 10000
MG "Halfway to B";TPB      ;'Send message
EN           ;'End Program
```

Hint: The AD command is accurate to the number of counts that occur in $2 \cdot TM$ sec. Multiply your speed by $2 \cdot TM$ sec to obtain the maximum position error in counts. Remember AD measures incremental distance from start of move on one axis.

AF

Analog Feedback Select

Full Description

The Analog Feedback (AF) command is used to set an axis with analog feedback instead of digital feedback (quadrature/pulse + dir). The analog feedback is decoded by a 12-bit A/D converter. An option is available for 16-bits. The position and analog range is set using the AQ command.

Note: AQ must be set prior to setting AF

Arguments

AF n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or AFA=n where

n = 1 Enables analog feedback

n = 0 Disables analog feedback and switches to digital feedback

n = ? Returns the state of analog feedback for the specified axes. 0 disabled, 1 enabled

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n = 5-12 indicates that the sinusoidal encoder input is to be used with 2n interpolation counts per encoder cycle

n = 0 Disables Sinusoidal Interpolation and switches to digital feedback. Differential encoder inputs must be used when using digital encoders with the ICM-42100.

Consult the factory for single-ended use.

n = ? Returns the state of analog feedback for the specified axes

n = -1 When not using Analog feedback, a -1 provides that the analog hardware still be sampled in the servo interrupt. This provides evenly sampled data for both the data record and the RA/RD/RC function.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0,0,0,0

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_AFx contains a "1" if analog feedback is enabled and "0" if not enabled for the specified axis.

Related Commands

AQ
Analog Configuration
CE
Configure Encoder
MT
Motor Type

Examples:

AF 1,0,0,1 Analog feedback on A and D axis
V1 = _AFA Assign feedback type to variable
AF ?,?,? Interrogate feedback type

AG

Amplifier Gain

Full Description

The AG command sets the amplifier current/voltage gain for the AMP-430x0. 0 sets the lowest ratio or value while 2 sets the highest ratio. AG is stored in EEPROM by the BN command. The MT command must be issued prior to the AG command to set the proper range. The axis must be in the motor off state (MO) before new AG settings will take effect.

Arguments

AG n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n where

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n = 0 0.4 A/V n = 0 0.5 A n = 0 0.5 A

n = 1 0.7 A/V n = 1 1.0 A n = 1 0.75 A

n = 2 1.0 A/V n = 2 2.0 A n = 2 1.0 A

n = 3 3.0 A n = 3 1.4 A

n = ? Returns the value of the amplifier gain

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-40x0-D430x0; DMC-40x0-D4140; DMC-40x0-D4040

Operand Usage

Related Commands

TA

Tell Amplifier

AW

Amplifier Bandwidth

BS

Brushless Setup

EXAMPLE:

MO Set motor off

AG2,1 Sets the highest amplifier gain for A axis and medium gain for B axis on 430x0.

SH Turn motor on

BN Save AG setting to EEPROM

AI

Examples:

AI

After Input

Full Description

The AI command is a trippoint used in motion programs to wait until after a specified input has changed state. This command can be configured such that the controller will wait until the input goes high or the input goes low.

Arguments

AI +/-n where
n is an integer between 1 and 96 and represents the input number. If n is positive, the controller will wait for the input to go high. If n is negative, it waits for n to go low.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

@IN[n]
Function to read input 1 through 96
II
Input interrupt
#ININT
Label for input interrupt

Examples:

```
#A ;'Begin Program
AI 8 ;'Wait until input 8 is high
SP 10000 ;'Speed is 10000 counts/sec
AC 20000 ;'Acceleration is 20000 counts/sec2
PR 400 ;'Specify position
BGA ;'Begin motion
EN ;'End Program
Hint: The AI command actually halts execution until specified input
is at desired logic level. Use the conditional Jump command (JP) or
input interrupt (II) if you do not want the program sequence to
halt.
```

AL

Arm Latch

Full Description

The AL command enables the latch function (high speed main or auxiliary position capture) of the controller. When the position latch is armed, the main or auxiliary encoder position will be captured upon a low going signal. Each axis has a position latch and can be activated through the general inputs:

- A axis latch Input 1
- B axis latch Input 2
- C axis latch Input 3
- D axis latch Input 4
- E axis latch Input 9
- F axis latch Input 10
- G axis latch Input 11
- H axis latch Input 12

The command RL returns the captured position for the specified axes. When interrogated the AL command will return a 1 if the latch for that axis is armed or a zero after the latch has occurred. The CN command can be used to change the polarity of the latch function.

Arguments

AL nnnnnnnn or AL n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n where
n can be A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H, specifying the main encoder for the axis to be latched
n can be SA,SB,SC,SD,SE,SF,SG or SH, specifying the auxiliary encoder.
n can be TA,TB,TC,TD,TE,TF,TG or TH, specifying the main encoder is latched from the index pulse instead of a digital input.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_ALn contains the state of the specified latch. 0 = not armed, 1 = armed.

Related Commands

RL
Report Latch

Examples:

```
#A ;'Program Label
ALB ;'Arm B-axis latch
JG,50000 ;'Set up jog at 50000 counts/sec
BGB ;'Begin the move
#LOOP ;'Loop until latch has occurred
JP #LOOP,_ALB=1
RLB ;'Transmit the latched position
EN ;'End of program
```

AM

After Move

Full Description

The AM command is a trippoint used to control the timing of events. This command will hold up execution of the following commands until the current move on the specified axis or axes is completed. Any combination of axes or a motion sequence may be specified with the AM command. For example, AM AB waits for motion on both the A and B axis to be complete. AM with no parameter specifies that motion on all axes is complete.

Arguments

AM nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,S or T or any combination to specify the axis or sequence
No argument specifies to wait for after motion on all axes and / or sequences

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

BG
_BGn contains a 0 if motion complete
MC
Motion Complete

Examples:

```
#MOVE          ;'Program MOVE
PR 5000,5000,5000,5000      ;'Position relative moves
BG A           ;'Start the A-axis
AM A           ;'After the move is complete on A,
BG B           ;'Start the B-axis
AM B           ;'After the move is complete on B,
BG C           ;'Start the C-axis
AM C           ;'After the move is complete on C
```



```
BG D      ;'Start the D-axis
AM D      ;'After the move is complete on D
EN ;'End of Program
```

Hint: AM is a very important command for controlling the timing between multiple move sequences. For example, if the A-axis is in the middle of a position relative move (PR) you cannot make a position absolute move (PAA, BGA) until the first move is complete. Use AMA to halt the program sequences until the first profiled motion is complete. AM tests for profile completion. The actual motor may still be moving. To halt program sequence until the actual physical motion has completed, use the MC command. Another method for testing motion complete is to check for the internal variable `_BGn`, being equal to zero (see BG command).

AO

Analog Output

Full Description

The AO command sets the analog output voltage of Modbus Devices connected via Ethernet.

Arguments

AO m, n where

m is the I/O number calculated using the following equations:

$$m = (\text{SlaveAddress} * 10000) + (\text{HandleNum} * 1000) + ((\text{Module}-1) * 4) + (\text{Bitnum}-1)$$

Slave Address is used when the ModBus device has slave devices connected to it and specified as Addresses 0 to 255. Please note that the use of slave devices for modbus are very rare and this number will usually be 0.

HandleNum is the handle specifier from A to F.

Module is the position of the module in the rack from 1 to 16.

BitNum is the I/O point in the module from 1 to 4.

n = the voltage which ranges from 9.99 to -9.99

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value ---

In a Program Yes Default Format ---

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

SB

Set Bit

CB

Clear Bit

MB

Modbus

AP

Examples:

AP

After Absolute Position

Full Description

The After Position (AP) command is a trippoint used to control the timing of events. This command will hold up the execution of the following command until one of the following conditions have been met:

1. The actual motor position crosses the specified absolute position. When using a stepper motor, this condition is satisfied when the stepper position (as determined by the output buffer) has crossed the specified position. For further information see Chapter 6 of the User Manual "Stepper Motor Operation".
2. The motion profiling on the axis is complete.
3. The commanded motion is in the direction which moves away from the specified position.

The units of the command are quadrature counts. Only one axis may be specified at a time. AP can only be used when there's commanded motion on the axis.

Arguments

AP n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or APA=n where

n is a signed integer in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647 decimal

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value ---

In a Program Yes Default Format ---

Command Line No

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

AR

Trippoint for relative distances

MF

Trippoint for forward motion

Examples:

```
#TEST          ;'Program B
DP0           ;'Define zero
JG 1000       ;'Jog mode (speed of 1000 counts/sec)
```

```
BG A      ;'Begin move
AP 2000   ;'After passing the position 2000
V1=_TPA   ;'Assign V1 A position
MG "Position is", V1      ;'Print Message
ST        ;'Stop
EN        ;'End of Program
```

Hint: The accuracy of the AP command is the number of counts that occur in $2 \cdot TM$ sec. Multiply the speed by $2 \cdot TM$ sec to obtain the maximum error. AP tests for absolute position. Use the AD command to measure incremental distances.

AQ

Analog Input Configuration

Full Description

The Analog Configuration (AQ) command is used to set the range of the analog inputs. There are 4 different ranges that each analog input may be assigned. Setting a negative range for inputs 1,3,5 or 7, configures those inputs as the differential input relative to input 2,4,6 and 8 respectively.

Arguments

AQn,m where
n is an integer from 1-8 that represents the analog input channel
m is an integer from 1-4 that designates the analog range
m Analog Range Position Range
12 bit 16 bit
1 +/- 5V -2048 to 2047 -32,768 to 32767
2 +/-10V -2048 to 2047 -32,768 to 32767
3 0-5V 0 to 4095 0 to 65535
4 0-10V 0 to 4095 0 to 65535

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value n,2
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0000
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_AQn holds the range setting for that axis where n=1-8

Related Commands

@AN[n]
Read Analog Input
AF
Analog Feedback

Examples:

AQ2,3 Specify analog input 2 as 0-5V

AQ1,-3 Specify analog input 1 as 0-5V and the differential
input to analog input 2
MG_AQ2
:3.0000

AR

After Relative Distance

Full Description

The After Relative (AR) command is a trippoint used to control the timing of events. This command will hold up the execution of the following command until one of the following conditions have been met:

1. The commanded motor position crosses the specified relative distance from either the start of the move or the last AR or AD command. When using a stepper motor, this condition is satisfied when the stepper position (as determined by the output buffer) has crossed the specified Relative Position. For further information see Chapter 6 of the User Manual "Stepper Motor Operation".
2. The motion profiling on the axis is complete.
3. If in jog (JG) mode, the commanded motion is in the direction which moves away from the specified position.

If the direction of the motion is reversed when in position tracking mode (see PT command), the starting point for the trippoint is reinitialized to the point at which the motion reversed.

The units of the command are quadrature counts. Only one axis may be specified at a time. AR can only be used when there's commanded motion on the axis.

Note: AR will be affected when the motion smoothing time constant, IT, is not 1. See IT command for further information.

Arguments

AR n,n,n,n,n,n,n or ARA=n where
n is an unsigned integer in the range 0 to 2147483647 decimal.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

AV
Trippoint for after vector position for coordinated moves

AP
Trippoint for after absolute position

Examples:

```
#A;DP 0,0,0,0      ;'Begin Program
JG 50000,,,7000    ;'Specify speeds
BG AD              ;'Begin motion
#B ;'Label
AR 25000           ;'After passing 25000 counts of relative distance on A-
axis
MG "Passed _A",_TPA;'Send message on A-axis
JP #B              ;'Jump to Label #B
EN ;'End Program
Hint: AR is used to specify incremental distance from last AR or AD
command. Use AR if multiple position trippoints are needed in a
single motion sequence.
```


AS

At Speed

Full Description

The AS command is a trippoint that occurs when the generated motion profile has reached the specified speed. This command will hold up execution of the following command until the commanded speed has been reached. The AS command will operate after either accelerating or decelerating. If the speed is not reached, the trippoint will be triggered after the speed begins diverging from the AS value.

Arguments

AS nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,S or T or any combination to specify the axis or sequence

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
#SPEED      ;'Program A
PR 100000   ;'Specify position
SP 10000    ;'Specify speed
BGA ;'Begin A
ASA ;'After speed is reached
MG "At Speed"      ;'Print Message
EN  ;'End of Program
```

WARNING:

The AS command applies to a trapezoidal velocity profile only with linear acceleration. AS used with smoothing profiling will be inaccurate.

AT

At Time

Full Description

The AT command is a trippoint which is used to hold up execution of the next command until after the specified time has elapsed. The time is measured with respect to a defined reference time. AT 0 establishes the initial reference. AT n specifies n msec from the reference. AT -n specifies n msec from the reference and establishes a new reference after the elapsed time period.

Arguments

AT n where
n is a signed, even integer in the range 0 to 2 Billion
n = 0 defines a reference time at current time
n > 0 specifies a wait time of n msec from the reference time
n < 0 specifies a wait time of n msec from the reference time and re-sets the reference time when the trippoint is satisfied.
(AT -n is equivalent to AT n; AT <old reference +n>

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
The following commands are sent sequentially
AT 0           Establishes reference time 0 as current time
AT 50          Waits 50 msec from reference 0
AT 100         Waits 100 msec from reference 0
AT -150        Waits 150 msec from reference 0 and sets new reference
at 150
AT 80          Waits 80 msec from new reference (total elapsed time is
230 msec)
```

AU

Set amplifier current loop

Full Description

The AU command sets the amplifier current loop gain for the AMP-430x0. Current loop is available in one of two settings (0 is normal while 1 sets a higher current loop) Values stored in EEPROM by the BN command.

Arguments

AU n where
n = 0 for normal current loop gain
= 0.5 for chopper mode and normal loop gain
= 1 for higher current loop gain
= 1.5 for chopper mode and higher current loop gain

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage DMC-40x0-D430x0

Operand Usage

Related Commands

TA
Tell Amplifier
AG
Amplifier Gain
BS
Brushless Setup
AW
Amplifier Bandwidth

EXAMPLE:

AU1,0 Sets X-axis to higher loop gain and Y-axis to normal loop gain
AUY=? Query Y-axis current loop gain
:0 Y-axis normal current loop gain

#AUTO

Examples:

AV

After Vector Distance

Full Description

The AV command is a trippoint, which is used to hold up execution of the next command during coordinated moves such as VP,CR or LI. This trippoint occurs when the path distance of a sequence reaches the specified value. The distance is measured from the start of a coordinated move sequence or from the last AV command. The units of the command are quadrature counts.

Arguments

AV s,t where

s and t are unsigned integers in the range 0 to 2147483647 decimal. 's' represents the vector distance to be executed in the S coordinate system and 't' represents the vector distance to be executed in the T coordinate system.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line No

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_AVS contains the vector distance from the start of the sequence in the S coordinate system and _AVT contains the vector distance from the start of the sequence in the T coordinate system.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
#MOVE;DP 0,0          ;'Label
CAT ;'Specify the T coordinate system
LMAB          ;'Linear move for A,B
LI 1000,2000    ;'Specify distance
LI 2000,3000    ;'Specify distance
LE
BGT ;'Begin motion in the T coordinate system
AV ,500        ;'After path distance = 500,
MG "Path>500";TPAB ;'Print Message
EN ;'End Program
```

Hint: Vector Distance is calculated as the square root of the sum of the squared distance for each axis in the linear or vector mode.

AW

Amplifier Bandwidth

Full Description

The AW command accepts the drive voltage (volts) and motor inductance (millihenries) and uses the current loop gain setting (AU) as the default and then reports the calculated bandwidth. The user can check how the amplifier bandwidth is affected by changing the n parameter. The AU command uses the transfer function for the AMP-430x0 for the calculation of the bandwidth.

Arguments

AW_x = v, l, n where
x = Axis designator
v = Drive voltage in Volts
l = Motor inductance in millihenries
n = optional current loop gain setting (1 or 0)

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0, 0, 0
In a Program Yes Default Format --
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage DMC-40x0-D430x0

Operand Usage

Related Commands

TA
Tell Amplifier
AG
Amplifier Gain
BS
Brushless Setup

EXAMPLE:

AWY=60,5,0 Sets a 60 volt drive, motor with 5 millihenries inductance and normal current loop gain
: 4525.732 Is the bandwidth in hertz

BA

Examples:

BA

Brushless Axis

Full Description

The BA command configures the controller axes for sinusoidal commutation and reconfigures the controller to reflect the actual number of motors that can be controlled. Each sinusoidal commutation axis requires 2 motor command signals. The second motor command signals will always be associated with the highest axes on the controller. For example a 3 axis controller with A and C configured for sinusoidal commutation will require 5 command outputs (5 axes controller), where the second outputs for A and C will be the D and E axes respectively.

Arguments

BA xxxxxxxxxxxx where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or any combination to specify the axis (axes) for sinusoidal commutation brushless axes.
No argument removes all axes configured for sinusoidal commutation.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BA_n indicates the axis number of the auxiliary DAC used for the second phase of the selected sinusoidal axis. The axis numbers start with zero for the A axis DAC. If the motor is configured as standard servo or stepper motor, _BA_n contains 0.

Related Commands

BB
Brushless Phase Begins
BC
Brushless Commutation
BD
Brushless Degrees
BI
Brushless Inputs
BM

Brushless Modulo
BO
Brushless Offset
BS
Brushless Setup
BZ
Brushless Zero

BB

Examples:

BB

Brushless Phase Begins

Full Description

The BB function describes the position offset between the Hall transition point and = 0, for a sinusoidally commutated motor. This command must be saved in non-volatile memory to be effective upon reset.

Arguments

BB n,n,n,n,n,n,n or BBA=n where
n is a signed integer which represent the phase offset of the selected axes, expressed in multiples of 30 .
n = ? returns the hall offset for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BBn contains the position offset between the Hall transition and = 0 for the specified axis.

Related Commands

BA
Brushless Axis
BC
Brushless Commutation
BD
Brushless Degrees
BI
Brushless Inputs
BM
Brushless Modulo
BO
Brushless Offset
BS
Brushless Setup

BZ
Brushless Zero

Note: BB is only effective as part of the BC command or upon reset.

BC

Examples:

BB, 30,,60 The offsets for the Y and W axes are 30 and 60 respectively

BC

Brushless Calibration

Full Description

The function BC monitors the status of the Hall sensors of a sinusoidally commutated motor, and resets the commutation phase upon detecting the first hall sensor. This procedure replaces the estimated commutation phase value with a more precise value determined by the hall sensors.

Arguments

BC nnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or any combination to specify the axis

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BCn contains the state of the Hall sensor inputs. This value should be between 1 and 6.

Related Commands

BA
Brushless Axis
BB
Brushless Phase Begins
BD
Brushless Degrees
BI
Brushless Inputs
BM
Brushless Modulo
BO
Brushless Offset
BS
Brushless Setup

BZ
Brushless Zero

BD

Examples:

BD

Brushless Degrees

Full Description

This command sets the commutation phase of a sinusoidally commutated motor. When using hall effect sensors, a more accurate value for this parameter can be set by using the command, BC. This command should not be used except when the user is creating a specialized phase initialization procedure.

Arguments

BD n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or BDA=n where
n is an integer between 0 - 360 .
n = ? Returns the current brushless motor angle (between 0-360)

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BDn contains the commutation phase of the specified axis.

Related Commands

BA
Brushless Axis
BB
Brushless Phase Begins
BC
Brushless Commutation
BI
Brushless Inputs
BM
Brushless Modulo
BO
Brushless Offset
BS
Brushless Setup
BZ

Brushless Zero

BG

Examples:

BG

Begin

Full Description

The BG command starts a motion on the specified axis or sequence.

Arguments

BG nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,S,T, M or N, or any combination to specify the axis or
sequence

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BGn contains a '0' if motion complete on the specified axis or coordinate system,
otherwise contains a '1'.

Related Commands

AM
After Move
ST
Stop motion

Examples:

```
PR 2000,3000,,5000 Set up for a relative move
BG ABD      Start the A,B and D motors moving
HM Set up for the homing
BGA Start only the A-axis moving
JG 1000,4000 Set up for jog
BGY Start only the B-axis moving
BSTATE=_BGB Assign a 1 to BSTATE if the B-axis is performing a move
VP 1000,2000 Specify vector position
VS 20000 Specify vector velocity
BGS Begin coordinated sequence
VMAB Vector Mode
VP 4000,-1000 Specify vector position
```

VE Vector End
PR ,,8000,5000 Specify C and D position
BGSCD Begin sequence and C,D motion
MG _BGS Displays a 1 if motion occurring on coordinated system
"S"

Hint: A BG command cannot be executed for any axis in which motion has not completed. Use the AM trippoint to wait for motion complete between moves. Determining when motion is complete can also be accomplished by testing for the value of the operand _BGn.

BI

Brushless Inputs

Full Description

The command BI is used to define the inputs which are used when Hall sensors have been wired for sinusoidally commutated motors. These inputs can be the general use inputs (bits 1-8), the auxiliary encoder inputs (bits 81-96), or the extended I/O inputs (bits 17-48). The Hall sensors of each axis must be connected to consecutive input lines, for example: BI 3 indicates that inputs 3,4 and 5 are used for halls sensors. The brushless setup command, BS, can be used to determine the proper wiring of the hall sensors.

Arguments

BI n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or BIA=n where
n is an unsigned integer which represent the first digital input to be used for hall sensor input
n = 0 Clear the hall sensor configuration for the axis.
n = ? Returns the starting input used for Hall sensors for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BIn contains the starting input used for Hall sensors for the specified axis.
EXAMPLE:
BI, 5 The Hall sensor of the Y axis are on inputs 5, 6 and 7.

Related Commands

BA
Brushless Axis
BB
Brushless Phase Begins
BC
Brushless Commutation
BD

Brushless Degrees

BM

Brushless Modulo

BO

Brushless Offset

BS

Brushless Setup

BZ

Brushless Zero

BK

Examples:

BK

Breakpoint

Full Description

For debugging. Causes the controller to pause execution of the given thread at the given program line number (which is not executed). All other threads continue running. Only one breakpoint may be armed at any time. After a breakpoint is encountered, a new breakpoint can be armed (to continue execution to the new breakpoint) or BK will resume program execution. The SL command can be used to single step from the breakpoint. The breakpoint can be armed before or during thread execution.

Arguments

BK n,m where
n is an integer in the range 0 to 1999 which is the line number to stop at. n must be a valid line number in the chosen thread.
m is an integer in the range 0 to 7. The thread.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value of m 0
In a Program No
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BK will tell whether a breakpoint has been armed, whether it has been encountered, and the program line number of the breakpoint:
= -LineNumber: breakpoint armed
= LineNumber: breakpoint encountered
= -2147483648: breakpoint not armed

Related Commands

SL
Single Step
TR
Trace

Examples:

BK 3 Pause at line 3 (the 4th line) in thread 0
BK 5 Continue to line 5
SL Execute the next line
SL 3 Execute the next 3 lines
BK Resume normal execution

BL

Reverse Software Limit

Full Description

The BL command sets the reverse software limit. If this limit is exceeded during motion, motion on that axis will decelerate to a stop. Reverse motion beyond this limit is not permitted.

When the reverse software limit is activated, the automatic subroutine #LIMSWI will be executed if it is included in the program.

Arguments

BL n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or BLA=n where

n is a signed integer in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647. The reverse limit is activated at the position n-1. The units are in quadrature counts.

n = -2147483648 Turns off the reverse limit.

n = ? Returns the reverse software limit for the specified axes.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -214783648

In a Program Yes Default Format Position format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BLn contains the value of the reverse software limit for the specified axis.

Related Commands

FL

Forward Limit

PF

Position Formatting

Examples:

```
#TEST      ;'Test Program
AC 1000000 ;'Acceleration Rate
DC 1000000 ;'Deceleration Rate
BL -15000  ;'Set Reverse Limit
JG  -5000  ;'Jog Reverse
```

```
BGA ;'Begin Motion  
AMA ;'After Motion (limit occurred)  
TPA ;'Tell Position  
EN  ;'End Program
```


BM

Brushless Modulo

Full Description

The BM command defines the length of the magnetic cycle in encoder counts.

Arguments

BM n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or BMA=n where
n is a decimal value between 1 and 1000000 with a resolution of 1/10. This value
can also be specified as a fraction with a resolution of 1/16.
n = ? Returns the brushless module for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BMn indicates the cycle length in counts for the specified axis.

Related Commands

BA
Brushless Axis
BB
Brushless Phase Begins
BC
Brushless Commutation
BD
Brushless Degrees
BI
Brushless Inputs
BO
Brushless Offset
BS
Brushless Setup
BZBZ
Brushless Zero

Examples:

```
BM ,60000 Set brushless modulo for B axis to be 60000
BMC=100000/3 Set brushless modulo for C axis to be 100000/3
(33333.333)
BM , , , ? Interrogate the Brushless Module for the D axis
Note: Changing the BM parameter causes an instant change in the
commutation phase.
```

BN

Burn

Full Description

The BN command saves controller parameters shown below in Flash EEPROM memory. This command typically takes 1 second to execute and must not be interrupted. The controller returns a : when the Burn is complete.

PARAMETERS SAVED DURING BURN:

AC CE GR MT SM
AF CN HV NB SP
AG CO IA NF TK
AQ CW IK NZ TL
AU DC IL OA TM
BA DH IT OE TR
BB DV KD OF VA
BI EO KI OP VD
BL ER KP OT VF
BM FA KS OV VS
BO FL LC PF YA
BR FV LD PL YB
BW GA LZ PW YC
CB GM MO SB

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BN contains the serial number of the controller.

Related Commands

BP
Burn Program
BV
Burn Variables

Examples:

```
KD 100      Set damping term for A axis
KP 10       Set proportional gain term for A axis
KI 1        Set integral gain term for A axis
AC 200000   Set acceleration
DC 150000   Set deceleration rate
SP 10000    Set speed
MT -1       Set motor type for A axis to be type '-1', reversed
polarity servo motor
MO Turn motor off
BN Burn parameters; may take up to 5 seconds
```

BO

Brushless Offset

Full Description

The BO command sets a fixed offset on command signal outputs for sinusoidally commutated motors. This may be used to offset any bias in the amplifier, or can be used for phase initialization.

Arguments

BO n,n,n,n,n,n,n or BOA=n where
n specifies the voltage n is a signed number in the range -9.998 to +9.998 with a resolution of 0.0003.
n = ? Return the brushless offset for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BO_n contains the offset voltage on the DAC for the specified axis.

Related Commands

BA
Brushless Axis
BB
Brushless Phase Begins
BC
Brushless Commutation
BD
Brushless Degrees
BI
Brushless Inputs
BM
Brushless Modulo
BS
Brushless Setup

BZ
Brushless Zero

Examples:

BO -2,,1 Generates the voltages -2 and 1 on the first DAC A, and the second DAC C of a sinusoidally commutated motor.

HINT: To assure that the output voltage equals the BO parameters, set the PID and OF parameters to zero.

BP

Burn Program

Full Description

The BP command saves the application program in non-volatile EEPROM memory. This command typically takes up to 10 seconds to execute and must not be interrupted. The controller returns a : when the Burn is complete.

Arguments

None

Usage

While Moving No Default Value ---
In a Program Yes
Not in a Program Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

BN
Burn Parameters
BV
Burn Variable

BR

Examples:

BR

Brush Axis

Full Description

The BR command is used in conjunction with an AMP-430x0 to enable which axis will be set as brush-type servo. The hall error bits are not set in the TA value when an axis is configured as brush-type. The hall inputs are available for general use via the QH command.

Arguments

BR n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n where
n = 0 Brushless servo axis
n = 1 Brush-type servo axis
n = ? Returns the value of the axis

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
In a Program Yes Default Format --
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage DMC-40x0-D430x0

Operand Usage

Related Commands

OE
Off-On Error
TA
Tell Amplifier
QH
Hall State

EXAMPLE:

BR 1,0,0 Sets X-axis to brush-type, Y and Z to brushless

Note: If an axis has Off-On-Error(OE) set to 1, an amplifier error will occur if there are no halls and BR is set to 0. With all axes that do not have halls sensors going to the controller and the D430x0 is installed, set BR to 1 to avoid an amplifier error state. This includes running brushed motors with the D430x0, and using external drives when a D430x0 is installed.

BS

Examples:

BS

Brushless Setup

Full Description

The command BS tests the wiring of a sinusoidally commutated brushless motor. If Hall sensors are connected, this command also tests the wiring of the Hall sensors. This function can only be performed with one axis at a time.

This command returns status information regarding the setup of brushless motors. The following information will be returned by the controller:

1. Correct wiring of the brushless motor phases.
2. An approximate value of the motor's magnetic cycle.
3. The value of the BB command (If hall sensors are used).
4. The results of the hall sensor wiring test (If hall sensors are used).

This command will turn the motor off when done and may be given when the motor is off.

Once the brushless motor is properly setup and the motor configuration has been saved in non-volatile memory, the BS command does not have to be re-issued. The configuration is saved by using the burn command, BN.

Note: In order to properly conduct the brushless setup, the motor must be allowed to move a minimum of one magnetic cycle in both directions.

Arguments

BSA= v, n where

v is a real number between 0 and 10. v represents the voltage level to be applied to each phase.

n is a positive integer between 100 or 1000. n represents the duration in milliseconds that voltage should be applied to the motor phases.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value of V 0

In a Program Yes Default Value of n 200

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

BA

Brushless Axis

BB

Brushless Phase Begins
BC
Brushless Commutation
BD
Brushless Degrees
BI
Brushless Inputs
BM
Brushless Modulo
BO
Brushless Offset
BZ
Brushless Zero

Examples:

BSC = 2,900 Apply set up test to C axis with 2 volts for 900 millisecond on each step.

Note: When using Galil Windows software, the timeout must be set to a minimum of 10 seconds (timeout = 10000) when executing the BS command. This allows the software to retrieve all messages returned from the controller.

BT

Begin PVT Motion

Full Description

The BT command begins PVT motion on the specified axes. All axes will begin at the same time. For more details on PVT mode see the user manual.

Arguments

BTnnnnnnnn where n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H or any combination of axes

Defaults

While Moving No Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage DMC-40x0

Usage

_BTn contains the number of PV segments that have executed.

Related Commands

PV PVT Data

Examples

```
MG_BT_X           ;'Query number of PVT segments executed
:0.0000
PVX=100,200,100   ;'Command X axis to go 100 counts at speed
200 in 100 samples
PVX=100,0,100    ;'Command X axis to go 200 counts at speed 0
in 100 samples
PVX=,,0          ;'Command X axis exit PVT mode
BTX              ;'Begin PVT mode
AMX              ;'Wait for the PVT mode of motion to complete
MG_BT_X         ;'Query number of PVT segments executed
:3.0000
EN               ;'End program
```

BV

Burn Variables and Array

Full Description

The BV command saves the controller variables and arrays in non-volatile EEPROM memory. This command typically takes up to 2 seconds to execute and must not be interrupted. The controller returns a : when the Burn is complete.

Arguments

None

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value ---
In a Program Yes
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BV returns the number of controller axes.

Related Commands

"BP" Burn Program

"BN" Burn Parameters

Burn Program

Note 1: This command will store the ECAM table values in non-volatile EEPROM memory.

Note 2: This command may cause the Galil software to issue the following warning "A time-out occurred while waiting for a response from the controller". This warning is normal and is designed to warn the user when the controller does not respond to a command within the timeout period. This occurs because this command takes more time than the default timeout of 5 sec. The timeout can be changed in the Galil software but this warning does not affect the operation of the controller or software.

Examples:

BW

Brake Wait

Full Description

The BW command sets the delay between when the brake is turned on and when the amp is turned off. When the controller goes into a motor-off (MO) state, this is the time (in samples) between when the brake digital output changes state and when the amp enable digital output changes state. The brake is actuated immediately upon MO and the delay is to account for the time it takes for the brake to engage mechanically once it is energized electrically. The brake is released immediately upon SH.

Outputs 1-8 are used for Axes A-H, where output 1 is the brake for axis A and output 2 is the brake for axis B and so on.

Note: The Brake Wait does not apply when the motor is shut off due to OE1 (Off on Error). In this case (position error exceeded or Abort triggered) the motor off and brake output will be applied simultaneously.

Arguments

BW n,n,n,n,n,n,n or BWA=n where

n specifies the brake wait time in samples. n ranges from 1 to 32000

n = 0 Turns Brake Wait off

n = ? Returns the brake wait time in msec for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

_BWn contains the brake wait time in samples for the specified axis.

Related Commands

MO

Motor Off

SH

Servo Here

Examples:

BW100 Set brake delay to 100 ms (TM1000) for the X axis

BZ

Brushless Zero

Full Description

The BZ command is used for axes which are configured for sinusoidal commutation. This command drives the motor to zero magnetic phase and then sets the commutation phase to zero.

This command may be given when the motor is off.

Arguments

BZ n,n,n,n,n,n or BZA =n or BZ <t where

n is a real number between -4.998 and 4.998. The parameter n will set the voltage to be applied to the amplifier during the initialization. In order to be accurate, the BZ command voltage must be large enough to move the motor. If the argument is positive, when the BZ operation is complete, the motor will be left in the off state, MO. A negative value causes the motor to end up in the on state, SH.

<t is an integer between 1 and 32767 and represents the settling time of the BZ function. The controller will wait 't' sec to update sufficient samples (sampling rate = 1000 sec by default) to settle the motor at the zero magnetic phase. The t parameter should be specified prior to issuing the BZ command.

Note: The BZ command causes instantaneous movement of the motor. It is recommended to start with small voltages and increase as needed

Note: Always use the Off On Error function (OE command) to avoid motor runaway whenever testing sinusoidal commutation.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value n = 0, t= 1000

In a Program Yes Default Format 0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_BZn contains the distance in encoder counts from the motor's current position and the position of commutation zero for the specified axis. This can useful to command a motor to move to the commutation zero position for phase initialization.

Related Commands

BA
Brushless Axis
BB
Brushless Phase Begins
BC
Brushless Commutation
BD
Brushless Degrees
BI
Brushless Inputs
BM
Brushless Modulo
BO
Brushless Offset
BS
Brushless Setup

Examples:

BZ, -3 Drive C axis to zero phase with 3 volt signal, and end
with motor enabled.

CA

Coordinate Axes

Full Description

The CA command specifies the coordinate system to apply proceeding vector commands. The following commands apply to the active coordinate system as set by the CA command:

CR ES LE LI LM
TN VE VM VP

Arguments

CAS or CAT where

CAS specifies that proceeding vector commands shall apply to the S coordinate system

CAT specifies that proceeding vector commands shall apply to the T coordinate system

CA ? returns a 0 if the S coordinate system is active and a 1 if the T coordinate system is active.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value CAS

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_CA contains a 0 if the S coordinate system is active and a 1 if the T coordinate system is active.

Related Commands

VP

Vector Position

VS

Vector Speed

VD

Vector Deceleration

VA

Vector Acceleration

VM
Vector Mode
VE
End Vector
BG
BGS - Begin Sequence

Examples:

```
CAT Specify T coordinate system
VMAB Specify vector motion in the A and B plane
VS 10000 Specify vector speed
CR 1000,0,360 Generate circle with radius of 1000 counts, start
at 0 degrees and complete one circle in counterclockwise direction.
VE End Sequence
BGT Start motion of T coordinate system
```

CB

Clear Bit

Full Description

The CB command sets the specified output bit low. CB can be used to clear the outputs of extended I/O which have been configured as outputs.

Arguments

CB n where
n is an integer corresponding to a specific output on the controller to be cleared (set to 0). The first output on the controller is denoted as output 1.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

SB
Set Bit
OB
Output Bit
OP
Define output port (byte-wise).

Examples:

```
CB 7          Clear output bit 7  
CB 16        Clear output bit 16 (8 axis controllers only)
```

CC

Configure Communications Port 2

Full Description

The CC command configures baud rate, handshake, mode, and echo for the AUX SERIAL PORT, referred to as Port 2. This command must be given before using the MG, IN, or CI commands with Port 2.

Arguments

CC m,n,r,p

m - Baud rate 9600,19200, 38400, or 115200

n - Handshake 0 for handshake off, 1 for handshake on

r - Mode 0 disabled, 1 enabled

p - Echo 0 for echo off, 1 for echo on

Note: echo only active when daisy chain feature is off

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 115200,0,1,0

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-40x0

Operand Usage

Related Commands

CI

Configure Communication Interrupt

Examples:

```
CC 9600,0,0,0      9600 baud, no handshake, echo off.  
    Typical setting with TERM-P or TERM-H.
```

CD

Contour Data

Full Description

The CD command specifies the incremental position on contour axes. The units of the command are in encoder counts. This command is used only in the Contour Mode (CM). The incremental position will be executed over the time period specified by the command DT (ranging from 2 to 256 servo updates) or by the = operand.

Arguments

CD n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n = m or CDA=n where

n is an integer in the range of +/-32767.

m (optional) is an integer in the range 0 to 8.

n = m = 0 terminates the Contour Mode.

m = 1 through 8 specifies the time interval (DT) of 2m samples.

n = 0 and m = -1 pauses the contour buffer.

By default the sample period is 1 msec (set by the TM command); with m = 1, the time interval would be 2 msec.

Note1: The command CD 0,0 . . .=0 would follow the last CD command in a sequence. CD 0,0 . . .=0 is similar to VE and LE. Once executed by the controller, CD 0,0 . . .=0 will terminate the contour mode.

Note2: The command CD0=0 will assign a variable CD0 the value of 0. In this case the user must have a space after CD in order to terminate the Contour Mode correctly. Example: CD 0=0 will terminate the contour mode for the X axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

CM

Contour Mode

DT

Time Increment

Examples:

```
#Cont0      ;'Define label #Cont0
CM ABCD     ;'Specify Contour Mode
DT 4        ;'Specify time increment for contour
CD 200,350,-150,500 ;'Specify incremental positions on A,B,C and C
axes
  'A-axis moves 200 counts B-axis moves 350 counts C-
  'axis moves -150 counts C-axis moves 500 counts
CD 100,200,300,400 ;'New position data
CD 0,0,0,0=0
#Wait;JP#Wait,_CM<>511      ;'End of Contour Buffer/Sequence
;'Wait until path is done
EN ;'End program
```

CE

Configure Encoder

Full Description

The CE command configures the encoder to the quadrature type or the pulse and direction type. It also allows inverting the polarity of the encoders which reverses the direction of the feedback. Note: when using a servo motor, the motor will run away. The configuration applies independently to the main axes encoders and the auxiliary encoders.

When the MT command is configured for a stepper motor, the auxiliary encoder (used to count stepper pulses) will be forced to pulse and direction.

Arguments

CE n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or CEA=n where

n is an integer in the range of 0 to 15. Each integer is the sum of two integers M and N which configure the main and the auxiliary encoders. The values of M and N are

M Main encoder type N Auxiliary encoder type

0 Normal quadrature 0 Normal quadrature

1 Normal pulse and direction 4 Normal pulse and direction

2 Reversed quadrature 8 Reversed quadrature

3 Reversed pulse and direction 12 Reversed pulse and direction

For example: n = 10 implies M = 2 and N = 8, thus both encoders are reversed quadrature.

n = ? Returns the value of the encoder configuration for the specified axes.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 2.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_CEn contains the value of encoder type for the axis specified by 'n'.

Related Commands

MT

Specify motor type

Examples:

```
CE 0, 3, 6, 2      Configure encoders
```

```
CE ?,?,?,?
```

```
:0,3,6,2      Interrogate configuration
```

```
V = _CEB
```

```
V = ?
```

```
:3 Assign configuration to a variable
```

Note: When using pulse and direction encoders, the pulse signal is connected to CHA and the direction signal is connected to CHB.

CI

Configure Communication Interrupt

Full Description

The CI command configures a program interrupt based on characters received on communications port 2, the AUX serial port. An interrupt causes program flow to jump to the #COMINT subroutine. If multiple program threads are used, the #COMINT subroutine runs in thread 0 and the remaining threads continue to run without interruption. The characters received can be accessed via the internal variables P2CH, P2ST, P2NM, P2CD. For more, see Operator Data Entry Mode in chapter 7 of the user manual.

Arguments

CI n, m

PARAMETER EXPLANATION

n = 0 Do not interrupt

n = 1 Interrupt on carriage return

n = 2 Interrupt on any character

n = -1 Clear interrupt data buffer

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value n = 0, m = 0

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

CC

Configure communications

IN

Communication input

MG

Message output

Examples:

CI 1 Interrupt when the <enter> key is received on port 2
CI 2 Interrupt on a single character received on Port 2

CM

Contour Mode

Full Description

The Contour Mode is initiated by the instruction CM. This mode allows the generation of an arbitrary motion trajectory with any of the axes. The CD command specifies the position increment, and the DT command specifies the time interval. The command, CM?, can be used to check the number of available contour segments. A value of 0 returned from the command CM? indicates that the Contour Buffer is full. A value of 511 indicates that the Contour Buffer is empty.

Arguments

CM nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H or any combination to specify the axis (axes) for contour mode
n = ? Returns a 0 if the contour buffer is full and 511 if the contour buffer is empty.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 3.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_CM contains a '0' if the contour buffer is full; otherwise it contains the number of available contour segments.

Related Commands

CD
Contour Data
DT
Time Increment

Examples:

```
V=_CM;V=    Return contour buffer status  
CM? Return contour buffer status  
CM AC      Specify A,C axes for Contour Mode
```

CN

Configure

Full Description

The CN command configures the polarity of the limit switches, home switches, latch inputs and the selective abort function.

Arguments

CN m,n,o,p,q where

m,n,o are integers with values 1 or -1.

p is an integer, 0 or 1.

m = 1 Limit switches active high

-1 Limit switches active low

n = 1 Home switch configured to drive motor in forward direction when input is high. See HM and FE commands.

-1 Home switch configured to drive motor in reverse direction when input is high. See HM and FE commands

o = 1 Latch input is active high

-1 Latch input is active low

p = 1 Configures inputs 5,6,7,8,13,14,15,16 as selective abort inputs for axes A,B,C,D,E,F,G,and H respectively. Will also trigger #POSERR automatic subroutine if program is running.

0 Inputs 5,6,7,8,13,14,15,16 are configured as general use inputs

q= 1 Abort input will not terminate program execution

0 Abort input will terminate program execution

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -1,-1,-1,0,0

In a Program Yes Default Format 2.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_CN0 Contains the limit switch configuration

_CN1 Contains the home switch configuration

_CN2 Contains the latch input configuration

_CN3 Contains the state of the selective abort function (1 enabled, 0 disabled)

_CN4 Contains whether the abort input will terminate the program

Related Commands

AL
Arm latch

Examples:

```
CN 1,1      Sets limit and home switches to active high
CN,, -1     Sets input latch active low
```

CO

Configure Extended I O

Full Description

The CO command configures which points are inputs and which are outputs on the extended I/O.

The 32 extended I/O points of the controller can be configured in banks of 8. The extended I/O is denoted as bits 17-48 and banks 2-5.

Arguments

CO n where

n is a decimal value which represents a binary number. Each bit of the binary number represents one bank of extended I/O. When set to 1, the corresponding bank is configured as an output.

The least significant bit represents bank 2 and the most significant bit represents bank 5. The decimal value can be calculated by the following formula.

$$n = n_2 + 2*n_3 + 4*n_4 + 8*n_5$$

where n_x represents the bank. To configure a bank as outputs, substitute a one into that n_x in the formula. If the n_x value is a zero, then the bank of 8 I/O points will be configured as inputs. For example, if banks 3 and 4 are to be configured as outputs, CO 6 is issued.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

_CO returns extended I/O configuration value

Related Commands

CB

Clear Output Bit

SB

Set Output Bit

OP

Set Output Port

TI
Tell Inputs

Examples:

CO 15 Configure all points as outputs
CO 0 Configure all points as inputs
CO 1 Configures bank 2 as outputs on extended I/O
Hint: See user manual appendix for more information on the extended
I/O board.

CR

Circle

Full Description

The CR command specifies a 2-dimensional arc segment of radius, r, starting at angle, , and traversing over angle . A positive denotes counterclockwise traverse, negative denotes clockwise. The VE command must be used to denote the end of the motion sequence after all CR and VP segments are specified. The BG (Begin Sequence) command is used to start the motion sequence. All parameters, r, , , must be specified. Radius units are in quadrature counts. and have units of degrees. The parameter n is optional and describes the vector speed that is attached to the motion segment.

Arguments

CR r, , < n > o where

r is an unsigned real number in the range 10 to 6000000 decimal (radius)

is a signed number in the range 0 to +/-32000 decimal (starting angle in degrees)

is a signed real number in the range 0.0001 to +/-32000 decimal (angle in degrees)

n specifies a vector speed to be taken into effect at the execution of the vector segment. n is an unsigned even integer between 0 and 22,000,000 for servo motor operation and between 0 and 6,000,000 for stepper motors.

o specifies a vector speed to be achieved at the end of the vector segment. o is an unsigned even integer between 0 and 8,000,000.

Note: The product r * must be limited to +/-4.5 10⁸

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

VP

Vector Position

VS

Vector Speed

VD

Vector Deceleration
VA
Vector Acceleration
VM
Vector Mode
VE
End Vector
BG
BGS - Begin Sequence

Examples:

```
VMAB          Specify vector motion in the A and B plane
VS 10000      Specify vector speed
CR 1000,0,360  Generate circle with radius of 1000 counts, start
               at 0 degrees and complete one circle in counterclockwise direction.
CR 1000,0,360<40000 Generate circle with radius of 1000 counts, start
               at 0 degrees and complete one circle in counterclockwise direction
               and use a vector speed of 40000.
VE           End Sequence
BGS         Start motion
```

CS

Clear Sequence

Full Description

The CS command will remove VP, CR or LI commands stored in a motion sequence for the S or T coordinate systems. After a sequence has been executed, the CS command is not necessary to put in a new sequence. This command is useful when you have incorrectly specified VP, CR or LI commands.

Arguments

CSS or CST where
S and/or T can be used to clear the sequence buffer for the "S" or "T" coordinate system.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value ---
In a Program Yes Default Format ---
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_CSn contains the segment number in the sequence specified by n, S or T. This operand is valid in the Linear mode, LM, Vector mode, VM

Related Commands

CR
Circular Interpolation Segment
LI
Linear Interpolation Segment
LM
Linear Interpolation Mode
VM
Vector Mode
VP
Vector Position

Examples:

```
#CLEAR      ;'Label
CAT ;'Specify the T coordinate system vector points
VP 1000,2000      ;'Vector position
VP 4000,8000      ;'Vector position
CST ;'Clear vectors specified in T coordinate system
CAS ;'Specify the T coordinate system vector points
VP 1000,5000      ;'New vector
VP 8000,9000      ;'New vector
CSS ;'Clear vectors specified in S coordinate system
EN  ;'End program
```

CW

Copyright information Data Adjustment bit on off

Full Description

The CW command has a dual usage. The CW command will return the copyright information when the argument, n is 0. Otherwise, the CW command is used as a communications enhancement for use by the Galil terminal software programs. When turned on, the communication enhancement from the command sets the MSB of unsolicited, returned ASCII characters to 1. Unsolicited ASCII characters are characters that are returned from a program running on the controller. This command does not affect solicited characters - which are characters that are returned as a response to a command sent from a host PC.

Arguments

CW n,m where

n is a number, either 0,1 or 2:

0 or ? Causes the controller to return the copyright information

1 Causes the controller to set the MSB of unsolicited returned characters to 1

2 Causes the controller to not set the MSB of unsolicited characters.

m is 0 or 1 (optional)

0 Causes the controller to pause program execution when hardware handshaking disables character transmissions.

1 Causes the controller to continue program execution when hardware handshake disables character transmissions - output characters will be lost.

Usage

In a Program Yes

Command Line Yes

Can be Interrogated Yes

Used as an Operand Yes

Operand Usage

_CW contains the value of the data adjustment bit. 1 =on, 2 = off

Related Commands

Examples:

*Note: The CW command can cause garbled characters to be returned by the controller. The default state of the board is to disable the CW command. However, the terminal software may enable the CW command for internal usage. If the board is reset while the Galil software is running, the CW command could be reset to the default value, which creates difficulty for the software. It may be necessary to re-enable the CW command. The CW command status can be stored in EEPROM.

DA

Deallocate the Variables & Arrays

Full Description

The CW command has a dual usage. The CW command will return the copyright information when the argument, n is 0. Otherwise, the CW command is used as a communications enhancement for use by the Galil PC software. When turned on, the communication enhancement sets the MSB of unsolicited, returned ASCII characters to 1. Unsolicited ASCII characters are those characters which are returned from the controller without being directly queried from the terminal. This is the case when a program has a command that requires the controller to return a value or string. Because of the dual function, only one field can be set at a time. Instead of "CW2,1," use "CW2;CW,1".

The DA command frees the array and/or variable memory space. In this command, more than one array or variable can be specified for memory de-allocation. Different arrays and variables are separated by comma when specified in one command. The argument * deallocates all the variables, and *[0] deallocates all the arrays.

Arguments

CW n,m where

n = 0 Causes the controller to return the copyright information

n = 1 Causes the controller to set the MSB of unsolicited returned characters to 1

n = 2 Causes the controller to not set the MSB of unsolicited characters.

n = ? Returns the copyright information for the controller.

m is optional

m = 0 Causes the controller to pause program execution when output FIFO is full, and to resume execution when FIFO is no longer full.

m = 1 Causes the controller to continue program execution when output FIFO is full.

Characters output after FIFO is full will be lost.

DA c[0],variable-name where

c[0] = Defined array name

variable-name = Defined variable name

* - Deallocates all the variables

*[0] - Deallocates all the arrays

DA? Returns the number of arrays available on the controller.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 2, 0

In a Program Yes Default Format -----

Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS
While Moving Yes Default Value -----
In a Program Yes Default Format -----
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

`_CW` contains the value of the data adjustment bit. 2 = off, 1 = on

Note: The CW command can cause garbled characters to be returned by the controller. The default state of the controller is to disable the CW command, however, the Galil Servo Design Kit software and terminal software may sometimes enable the CW command for internal usage. If the controller is reset while the Galil software is running, the CW command could be reset to the default value which would create difficulty for the software. It may be necessary to re-enable the CW command. The CW command status can be stored in EEPROM

DA

`_DA` contains the total number of arrays available. For example, before any arrays have been defined, the operand `_DA` is 30. If one array is defined, the operand `_DA` will return 29.

Related Commands

DM
Dimension Array

Examples:

```
'Cars' and 'Sales' are arrays and 'Total' is a variable.  
DM Cars[400],Sales[50]      Dimension 2 arrays  
Total=70      Assign 70 to the variable Total  
DA Cars[0],Sales[0],Total  Deallocate the 2 arrays & variables  
DA*[]          Deallocate all arrays  
DA *,*[]      Deallocate all variables and all arrays  
Note: Since this command deallocates the spaces and compacts the  
array spaces in the memory, it is possible that execution of this  
command may take longer time than 2 ms.
```


DC

Deceleration

Full Description

The Deceleration command (DC) sets the linear deceleration rate of the motors for independent moves such as PR, PA and JG moves. The parameters will be rounded down to the nearest factor of 1024 and have units of counts per second squared.

Arguments

DC n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or DCA=n where
n is an unsigned numbers in the range 1024 to 1073740800
n = ? Returns the deceleration value for the specified axes.

Usage

While Moving Yes* Default Value 256000
In a Program Yes Default Format 10.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS
* When moving, the DC command can only be specified while in the jog mode.

Operand Usage

_DCn contains the deceleration rate for the specified axis.

Related Commands

AC
Acceleration
PR
Position Relative
PA
Position Absolute
SP
Speed
JG
Jog
SD
Limit Switch Deceleration

Examples:

PR 10000 Specify position
AC 2000000 Specify acceleration rate
DC 1000000 Specify deceleration rate
SP 5000 Specify slew speed
BG Begin motion

Note: The DC command may be changed during the move in JG move, but not in PR or PA move.

DE

Dual (Auxiliary) Encoder Position

Full Description

The DE command defines the position of the auxiliary encoders.

The DE command defines the encoder position when used with stepper motors.

Note: The auxiliary encoders are not available for the stepper axis or for any axis where output compare is active.

Arguments

DE n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or DEA=n where

n is a signed integers in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647 decimal

n = ? Returns the position of the auxiliary encoders for the specified axes.

n = ? returns the commanded reference position of the motor (in step pulses) when used with a stepper motor. Example: DE 0 This will define the TP or encoder position to 0. This will not effect the DE ? value. (To set the DE value when in stepper mode use the DP command.)

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0,0,0,0

In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_DEn contains the current position of the specified auxiliary encoder.

Related Commands

DP

Define main encoder position

TD

Tell Dual Encoder position

Examples:

DE 0,100,200,400 Set the current auxiliary encoder position to 0,100,200,400 on A,B,C and D axes

DE?,?,?,? Return auxiliary encoder positions

DualA=_DEA Assign auxiliary encoder position of A-axis to the variable DualA

Hint: Dual encoders are useful when you need an encoder on the motor and on the load. The encoder on the load is typically the auxiliary encoder and is used to verify the true load position. Any error in load position is used to correct the motor position.

DH

DHCP Server Enable

Full Description

The DH command configures the DHCP or BOOT-P functionality on the controller for Server IP addressing.

Arguments

DH n where

n = 0 disables DHCP and enables BOOT-P

n = 1 disables BOOT-P and enables DHCP

n = ? returns the current state of the setting

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 1.0

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-4000

Operand Usage

Related Commands

IA

IP Address

Examples:

```
DH 1          Sets the DHCP function on.  IA assignment will no longer
work.  IP address cannot be burned.  Controller will receive its IP
address from the DHCP server on the network.
```

```
DH 0          Sets the DHCP function off, and the Boot-P function on.
```

DL

Download

Full Description

The DL command transfers a data file from the host computer to the controller. Instructions in the file will be accepted as a data stream without line numbers. The file is terminated using <control> Z, <control> Q, <control> D, or \. DO NOT insert spaces before each command.

If no parameter is specified, downloading a data file will clear all programs in the controllers RAM. The data is entered beginning at line 0. If there are too many lines or too many characters per line, the controller will return a ?. To download a program after a label, specify the label name following DL. The argument # may be used with DL to append a file at the end of the program in RAM.

Using Galil DOS Terminal Software: The ED command puts the controller into the Edit subsystem. In the Edit subsystem, programs can be created, changed, or destroyed. The commands in the Edit subsystem are:

<cntrl>D Deletes a line
<cntrl>I Inserts a line before the current one
<cntrl>P Displays the previous line
<cntrl>Q Exits the Edit subsystem
<return> Saves a line

Arguments

DL n where

n = no argument Downloads program beginning at line 0. Erases programs in RAM.

n = #Label Begins download at line following #Label

n = # Begins download at end of program in RAM.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value ---

In a Program No Default Format ---

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

When used as an operand, _DL gives the number of available labels (510 maximum)

Related Commands

UL
Upload

Examples:

```
DL; Begin download  
#A;PR 4000;BGA      Data  
AMA;MG DONE Data  
EN  Data  
<control> Z End download
```

DM

Dimension

Full Description

The DM command defines a single dimensional array with a name and the number of elements in the array. The first element of the defined array starts with element number 0 and the last element is at n-1.

Arguments

DM c[n] where

c is a name of up to eight characters, starting with an alphabetic character. n specifies the size of the array (number of array elements).

n = ? Returns the number of array elements available.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value ---

In a Program Yes Default Format ---

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_DM contains the available array space. For example, before any arrays have been defined, the operand _DM will return 16000. If an array of 100 elements is defined, the operand _DM will return 15900.

Related Commands

DA

Deallocate Array

Examples:

```
DM Pets[5],Dogs[2],Cats[3] Define dimension of arrays, pets with 5
elements;
Dogs with 2 elements; Cats with 3 elements
DM Tests[1600]          Define dimension of array Tests with 1600
elements
```


DP

Define Position

Full Description

The DP command sets the current motor position and current command positions to a user specified value. The units are in quadrature counts. This command will set both the TP and RP values.

The DP command sets the commanded reference position for axes configured as steppers. The units are in steps. Example: DP 0 this will set the registers for TD and RP to zero, but will not effect the TP register value.

Arguments

DP n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or DPA=n where

n is a signed integer in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647 decimal.

n = ? Returns the current position of the motor for the specified axes.

Usage

Usage and Default Details

Usage	Value	Default	Value
While Moving	No	Default Value	0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
In a Program	Yes	Default Format	Position Format
Command Line	Yes		
Controller Usage	All		

Operand Usage

_DPn contains the current position of the specified axis.

Related Commands

DE Define Aux Encoder

FI Find Index

FE Find Edge

HM Home

PF Position Format

RP Reference Position

TP Tell Encoder Position

Examples:

```
DP 0,100,200,400  Sets the current position of the A-axis to 0, the
B-axis to 100, the C-axis to 200, and the D-axis to 400
DP ,-50000       Sets the current position of B-axis to -50000.
The B,C and D axes remain unchanged.
DP ?,?,?,?      Interrogate the position of A,B,C and D axis.
:0, -0050000, 200, 400  Returns all the motor positions
DP ?             Interrogate the position of A axis
:0               Returns the A-axis motor position
```

Hint: The DP command is useful to redefine the absolute position. For example, you can manually position the motor by hand using the Motor Off command, MO. Turn the servo motors back on with SH and then use DP0 to redefine the new position as your absolute zero.

DR

Configures I O Data Record Update Rate

Full Description

The controller creates a QR record and sends it periodically to a UDP Ethernet Handle

Arguments

DR n, m

n specifies the data update rate in samples between updates. When TM is set to the default of 1000, n specifies the data update rate in milliseconds. n=0 to turn it off, or n must be an integer in the range of 2 to 30,000.

m specifies the Ethernet handle on which to periodically send the Data Record. 0 is handle A, 1 is B? 7 is H. The handle must be UDP (not TCP).

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value DR0 (off)

In a Program Yes Default Format --

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-40x0

Operand Usage

_DR contains the data record update rate.

Related Commands

QZ

Sets format of data

QR

Query a single data record

Examples:

```
:DR8,0
:G x ~ P
_ ` @~ P
_ H `~ P
_ 0 ~ P
DR0
```

'Note: The data record is in a binary, non-printable format (the output above is normal when printing to the terminal)

DT

Delta Time

Full Description

The DT command sets the time interval for Contour Mode. Sending the DT command once will set the time interval for all contour data until a new DT command (or CDM=n) is sent.

Arguments

DT n where

n is an integer in the range 0 to 8.

n = 1 through 8 specifies the time interval of 2n samples.

n = -1 allows a pre-load of the contour buffer or to asynchronously pause the contour buffer. DT-1 during contour mode will pause the contour buffer (and commanded movement). A positive DT will resume contour mode from paused position of buffer.

By default the sample period is 1 msec (set by the TM command); with n=1, the time interval would be 2 msec

n = ? Returns the value for the time interval for contour mode.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 1

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_DT contains the value for the time interval for Contour Mode

Related Commands

CM

Contour Mode

CD

Contour Data

Examples:

DV

Dual Velocity (Dual Loop)

Full Description

The DV function changes the operation of the filter. It causes the KD (derivative) term to operate on the dual encoder instead of the main encoder. This results in improved stability in the cases where there is a backlash between the motor and the main encoder, and where the dual encoder is mounted on the motor.

Arguments

DV n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or DVX=n where
n = 0 Disables the dual loop mode.
n = 1 Enables the dual loop mode.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format -----
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_DVn contains the state of dual velocity mode for specified axis. 0 = disabled, 1 = enabled.

Related Commands

KD
Damping constant
FV
Velocity feedforward

Examples:

```
DV 1,1,1,1 Enables dual loop on all axes
DV 0      Disables DV on A axis
DV , ,1,1 Enables dual loop on C axis and D axis. Other axes
remain unchanged.
DV 1,0,1,0 Enables dual loop on A and C axis. Disables dual loop
on B and D axis.
MG_DVA    Returns state of dual velocity mode for A axis
```

Hint: The DV command is useful in backlash and resonance compensation.

EA

Choose ECAM master

Full Description

The EA command selects the master axis for the electronic cam mode. Any axis may be chosen.

Arguments

EA n where
n is one of the axis specified as A,B,C,D,E,F,G, H, M or N

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -----
In a Program Yes Default Format -----
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

EB
Enable ECAM
EC
Set ECAM table index
EG
Engage ECAM
EM
Specify ECAM cycle
EP
Specify ECAM table intervals & starting point
EQ
Disengage ECAM
ET
ECAM table

Examples:

```
EAB Select B as a master for ECAM
```

EB

Enable ECAM

Full Description

The EB function enables or disables the cam mode. In this mode, the starting position of the master axis is specified within the cycle. When the EB command is given, the master axis is modularized.

Arguments

EB n where

n = 1 Starts ECAM mode

n = 0 Stops ECAM mode.

n = ? Returns 0 if ECAM is disabled and a 1 if enabled.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_EB contains the state of Ecam mode. 0 = disabled, 1 = enabled

Related Commands

EA

Choose ECAM master

EC

Set ECAM table index

EG

Engage ECAM

EM

Specify ECAM cycle

EP

Specify ECAM table intervals & starting point

EQ

Disengage ECAM

ET

ECAM table

Examples:

```
EB1          Starts ECAM mode
EB0 Stops   ECAM mode
B = _EB      Return status of cam mode
```

EC

ECAM Counter

Full Description

The EC function sets the index into the ECAM table. This command is only useful when entering ECAM table values without index values and is most useful when sending commands in binary. See the command, ET.

Arguments

EC n where

n is an integer between 0 and 256.

n = ? Returns the current value of the index into the ECAM table.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_EC contains the current value of the index into the ECAM table.

Related Commands

EA

Choose ECAM master

EB

Enable ECAM

EG

Engage ECAM

EM

Specify ECAM cycle

EP

Specify ECAM table intervals & starting point

EQ

Disengage ECAM

ET

ECAM table

Examples:

```
EC0          Set ECAM index to 0
ET 200,400   Set first ECAM table entries to 200,400
ET 400,800   Set second ECAM table entries to 400,800
```

ED

Edit

Full Description

Using Galil DOS Terminal Software: The ED command puts the controller into the Edit subsystem. In the Edit subsystem, programs can be created, changed, or destroyed. The commands in the Edit subsystem are:

<cntrl>D Deletes a line
<cntrl>I Inserts a line before the current one
<cntrl>P Displays the previous line
<cntrl>Q Exits the Edit subsystem
<return> Saves a line

Using Galil Windows Terminal Software: The ED command causes the Windows terminal software to open the terminal editor.

Arguments

Usage

Operand Usage

_ED contains the line number of the last line to have an error.

_ED1 contains the number of the thread where the error occurred (for multitasking).

Related Commands

Examples:

```
ED
0 #START
1 PR 2000
2 BGA
3 SLKJ      Bad line
4 EN
5 #CMDERR  Routine which occurs upon a command error
6 V=_ED
7 MG "An error has occurred" {n}
8 MG "In line", V{F3.0}
9 ST
10 ZS0
11 EN
Hint: Remember to quit the Edit Mode prior to executing or listing
a program.
```

EG

ECAM go (engage)

Full Description

The EG command engages an ECAM slave axis at a specified position of the master. If a value is specified outside of the master's range, the slave will engage immediately. Once a slave motor is engaged, its position is redefined to fit within the cycle.

Arguments

EG n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or EGA=n where
n is the ECAM master position at which the ECAM slave axis must be engaged.
n = ? Returns 1 if specified axis is engaged and 0 if disengaged.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_EGn contains ECAM status for specified axis. 0 = axis is not engaged, 1 = axis is engaged.

Related Commands

EA
Choose ECAM master
EB
Enable ECAM
EC
Set ECAM table index
EM
Specify ECAM cycle
EP
Specify ECAM table intervals & starting point
EQ
Disengage ECAM

ET
ECAM table

Examples:

EG 700,1300 Engages the A and B axes at the master position 700 and 1300 respectively.

B = _EGB Return the status of B axis, 1 if engaged

Note: This command is not a trippoint. This command will not hold the execution of the program flow. If the execution needs to be held until master position is reached, use MF or MR command.

EI

UDP Event Interrupts

Full Description

EI enables UDP interrupts for the predefined event conditions in the table below. When a condition (e.g. Axis A profiled motion complete) occurs after EI is armed, a status byte value (e.g. \$D0 or 208) is delivered to the host PC inside a UDP packet. GalilTools version 1.2.1.0 or newer required for software support.

The UDP packet can contain up to 16 individual status bytes and is framed as the following:

Format:

Header

(fixed byte) Status bytes

(1-16 bytes) Payload Byte count (0x03-0x12)

(including header and footer)

Example: 0x01 0xD0F1DBE1 0x06

Example

Decoded: Interrupt Packet Indicator Axis A Profiled Motion Complete

User Interrupt 1

Application Program Stopped

Digital Input 1 is low 6 bytes in this payload.

Note: both 0x and \$ are used throughout this document to indicate hexadecimal number representation.

Arguments

EI m,n,h where

m is a 16-bit integer mask between 0 and 65535 and is used to select the interrupt condition(s) to be used. 0 (the default) means "don't interrupt" and clears the queue when issued.

bit m = 2^{bit} Status byte Condition

0 \$0001 (1) \$D0 (208) Axis A profiled motion complete _BGA = 0

1 \$0002 (2) \$D1 (209) Axis B profiled motion complete _BGB = 0

2 \$0004 (4) \$D2 (210) Axis C profiled motion complete _BGC = 0

3 \$0008 (8) \$D3 (211) Axis D profiled motion complete _BGD = 0

4 \$0010 (16) \$D4 (212) Axis E profiled motion complete _BGE = 0

5 \$0020 (32) \$D5 (213) Axis F profiled motion complete _BGF = 0

6 \$0040 (64) \$D6 (214) Axis G profiled motion complete _BGG = 0

7 \$0080 (128) \$D7 (215) Axis H profiled motion complete _BGH = 0

8 \$0100 (256) \$D8 (216) All axes profiled motion complete _BGI = 0

9 \$0200 (512) \$C8 (200) Excess position error _TE_n >= _ER_n*

10 \$0400 (1024) \$C0 (192) Limit switch _LF_n = 0* Must be profiling motion in

direction of activated limit switch for interrupt to occur.

11 \$0800 (2048) Reserved

12 \$1000 (4096) Reserved

13 \$2000 (8192) \$DB (219) Application program stopped $_XQn = -1$

14 \$4000 (16384) Reserved

15 \$8000 (32768) \$E1-\$E8 (225-232) Digital input(s) 1-8 low (use n for mask)*

Queued with UI \$F0-\$FF (240-255) User Interrupt, See UI command

n is an 8-bit integer mask between 0 and 255 and is used to select the specific digital input(s) if bit 15 of m is set (indicating that digital inputs are to be used for interrupting).

bit n = 2^{bit} status byte Condition

0 \$01 (1) \$E1 (225) Digital input 1 is low @IN[1] = 0*

1 \$02 (2) \$E2 (226) Digital input 2 is low @IN[2] = 0*

2 \$04 (4) \$E3 (227) Digital input 3 is low @IN[3] = 0*

3 \$08 (8) \$E4 (228) Digital input 4 is low @IN[4] = 0*

4 \$10 (16) \$E5 (229) Digital input 5 is low @IN[5] = 0*

5 \$20 (32) \$E6 (230) Digital input 6 is low @IN[6] = 0*

6 \$40 (64) \$E7 (231) Digital input 7 is low @IN[7] = 0*

7 \$80 (128) \$E8 (232) Digital input 8 is low @IN[8] = 0*

The * conditions must be re-enabled with EI after each occurrence.

h is 0-7 or -1 and indicates the preconfigured UDP handle where interrupts should be sent. 0-7 indicates handles A-H, respectively. If the handle specified by h is not UDP or not initialized, an error will occur (TC1). A -1 disables the interrupt dispatch.

GalilTools software will auto configure h, allowing the user to ignore its use in most cases.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0, 0,-1

In a Program Yes Default Format ---

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-4000

Operand Usage

$_EI$ contains the interrupt mask m

Related Commands

UI

User Interrupt

Examples:

1. Interrupt when motion is complete on all axes OR if a limit switch is hit:
From the table, enable bits 8 and 10. $m = 28 + 210 = 256 + 1024 = 1280$
EI 1280
2. Interrupt when digital input 3 is low. Enable bit 15 of m and bit 2 of n.
EI 32768,4

ELSE

Else function for use with IF conditional statement

Full Description

The ELSE command is an optional part of an IF conditional statement. The ELSE command must occur after an IF command and it has no arguments. It allows for the execution of a command only when the argument of the IF command evaluates False. If the argument of the IF command evaluates false, the controller will skip commands until the ELSE command. If the argument for the IF command evaluates true, the controller will execute the commands between the IF and ELSE command.

Arguments

ELSE

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

ENDIF
End of IF conditional Statement

Examples:

```
#A
IF (@IN[1]=0)          ;'IF conditional statement based on ;'input 1
IF (@IN[2]=0)          ;'2nd IF conditional statement ;'executed if 1st
IF conditional true
MG "INPUT 1 AND INPUT 2 ARE ACTIVE"          ;'Message to be executed
if 2nd IF ;'conditional is true
ELSE                  ;'ELSE command for 2nd IF conditional ;'statement
MG "ONLY INPUT 1 IS ACTIVE"          ;'Message to be executed if 2nd
IF ;'conditional is false
ENDIF                ;'End of 2nd conditional statement
ELSE                  ;'ELSE command for 1st IF conditional ;'statement
MG "ONLY INPUT 2 IS ACTIVE"          ;'Message to be executed if 1st
IF ;'conditional statement is false
```

```
ENDIF      ;'End of 1st conditional statement  
EN
```

EM

Cam cycles (modulus)

Full Description

The EM command is part of the ECAM mode. It is used to define the change in position over one complete cycle of the master. The field for the master axis is the cycle of the master position. For the slaves, the field defines the net change in one cycle. If a slave will return to its original position at the end of the cycle, the change is zero. If the change is negative, specify the absolute value.

Arguments

EM n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or EMA=n where
n is a positive integer in the range between 1 and 8,388,607 for the master axis and between 1 and 2,147,483,647 for a slave axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_EMn contains the cycle of the specified axis.

Related Commands

EA
Choose ECAM master
EB
Enable ECAM
EC
Set ECAM table index
EG
Engage ECAM
EP
Specify ECAM table intervals & starting point
EQ
Disengage ECAM

ET
ECAM table

Examples:

```
EAC Select C axis as master for ECAM.  
EM 0,3000,2000    Define the changes in A and B to be 0 and 3000  
respectively.  Define master cycle as 2000.  
V = _EMA    Return cycle of A
```

EN

End

Full Description

The EN command is used to designate the end of a program or subroutine. If a subroutine was called by the JS command, the EN command ends the subroutine and returns program flow to the point just after the JS command.

A return parameter can be specified to EN from a subroutine to return a value from the subroutine to the calling stack.

The EN command is used to end the automatic subroutines #MCTIME #COMINT and #CMDERR.

When the EN command is used to terminate the #COMINT communications interrupt subroutine, there are 2 arguments. The first determines whether trippoints will be restored upon completion of the subroutine, and the second determines whether the communication will be re-enabled.

Arguments

EN m, n, r where

m = 0: Return from subroutine without restoring trippoint

m = 1: Return from subroutine and restore trippoint

n = 0 : Return from #COMINT without restoring CI interrupt trigger

n = 1 : Return from #COMINT and restore CI interrupt trigger

r = anyvalue Return a value from a subroutine, accessible to the calling stack in _JS

Note 1: The default value for the argument is 0.

Note 2: Use the RE command to return from the interrupt handling subroutines #LIMSWI and #POSERR. Use the RI command to return from the #ININT subroutine.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value m=0

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line No

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

RE

Return from error subroutine

RI
Return from interrupt subroutine

Examples:

```
#A ;'Program A
PR 500 ;'Move A axis forward 500 counts
BGA ;'Begin motion
AMA ;'Pause the program until the A axis completes the motion
EN ;'End of Program
Note: Instead of EN, use the RE command to end the error subroutine
and limit subroutine. Use the RI command to end the input interrupt
subroutine
```

ENDIF

End of IF conditional statement

Full Description

The ENDIF command is used to designate the end of an IF conditional statement. An IF conditional statement is formed by the combination of an IF and ENDIF command. An ENDIF command must always be executed for every IF command that has been executed. It is recommended that the user not include jump commands inside IF conditional statements since this causes re-direction of command execution. In this case, the command interpreter may not execute an ENDIF command.

Arguments

ENDIF

Usage

While Moving Yes
In a Program Yes
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

IF
Command to begin IF conditional statement
ELSE
Optional command to be used only after IF command
JP
Jump command
JS
Jump to subroutine command

Examples:

EO

Echo

Full Description

The EO command turns the echo on or off. If the echo is off, characters input over the bus will not be echoed back.

Arguments

EO n where
n = 0 0 turns echo off
n = 1 1 turns echo on.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
EO 0      Turns echo off
EO 1      Turns echo on
```

EP

Cam table master interval and phase shift

Full Description

The EP command defines the ECAM table intervals and offset. The offset is the master position of the first ECAM table entry. The interval is the difference of the master position between 2 consecutive table entries. This command effectively defines the size of the ECAM table. The parameter m is the interval and n is the starting point. Up to 257 points may be specified.

Arguments

EP m,n where

m is a positive integer in the range between 1 and 32,767

m = ? Returns the value of the interval, m.

n is an integer between -2,147,483,648 and 2,147,483,647. n is the offset.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_EP contains the value of the interval m.

Related Commands

EA

Choose ECAM master

EB

Enable ECAM

EC

Set ECAM table index

EG

Engage ECAM

EM

Specify ECAM cycle

EQ

Disengage ECAM

ET
ECAM table

Examples:

EP 20,100 Sets the cam master points to 100,120,140 . . .
D = _EP Set the variable D equal to the ECAM internal valve

EQ

ECAM quit (disengage)

Full Description

The EQ command disengages an electronic cam slave axis at the specified master position. Separate points can be specified for each axis. If a value is specified outside of the master's range, the slave will disengage immediately.

Arguments

EQ n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or EQA=n where

n is the master positions at which the axes are to be disengaged.

n = ? Returns 1 if engage command issued and axis is waiting to engage, 2 if disengage command issued and axis is waiting to disengage, and 0 if ECAM engaged or disengaged.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_EQn contains 1 if engage command issued and axis is waiting to engage, 2 if disengage command issued and axis is waiting to disengage, and 0 if ECAM engaged or disengaged.

Related Commands

EA

Choose ECAM master

EB

Enable ECAM

EC

Set ECAM table index

EG

Engage ECAM

EM

Specify ECAM cycle

EP

Specify ECAM table intervals & starting point
ET
ECAM table

Examples:

EQ 300,700 Disengages the A and B motors at master positions 300 and 700 respectively.

Note: This command is not a trippoint. This command will not hold the execution of the program flow. If the execution needs to be held until master position is reached, use MF or MR command.

ER

Error Limit

Full Description

The ER command sets the magnitude of the position errors for each axis that will trigger an error condition. When the limit is exceeded, the Error output will go low (true) and the controller's red light will be turned on. If the Off On Error (OE1) command is active, the motors will be disabled. For debugging purposes, ER0 and ER-1 can be used to turn the red LED on and off.

Arguments

ER n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or ERA=n where
n is an unsigned number in the range 1 to 2147483647 which represents the error limit in encoder counts. A value of -1 will disable the position error limit for the specified axis.
n = ? Returns the value of the Error limit for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 16384
In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_ERn contains the value of the Error limit for the specified axis.

Related Commands

OE
Off-On Error
#POSERR
Automatic Error Subroutine

Examples:

ER 200,300,400,600 Set the A-axis error limit to 200, the B-axis error limit to 300, the C-axis error limit to 400, and the D-axis error limit to 600.
ER ,1000 Sets the B-axis error limit to 1000, leave the A-axis error limit unchanged.

ER ?,?,?,? Return A,B,C and D values

200, 100, 400, 600

ER ? Return A value

200

V1=_ERA Assigns V1 value of ERA

V1= Returns V1

: 200

Hint: The error limit specified by ER should be high enough as not to be reached during normal operation. Examples of exceeding the error limit would be a mechanical jam, or a fault in a system component such as encoder or amplifier.

ES

Ellipse Scale

Full Description

The ES command divides the resolution of one of the axes in a vector mode (VM). This function allows for the generation of circular motion when encoder resolutions differ. It also allows for the generation of an ellipse instead of a circle.

The command has two parameters, m and n. The arguments, m and n apply to the axes designated by the command VM. When $m > n$, the resolution of the first axis, x, will be multiplied by the ratio m/n . When $m < n$, the resolution of the second axis, y, will be multiplied by n/m . The resolution change applies for the purpose of generating the VP and CR commands, effectively changing the axis with the lower resolution to match the higher resolution.

The ES command will apply to the selected coordinate system, S or T. To select the coordinate system, use the command CAS or CAT.

Arguments

ES m,n where

m and n are positive integers in the range between 1 and 65,535.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 1,1

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

VM

Vector Mode

CR

Circle move

VP

Vector position

Examples:

```
VMAB;ES3,4 Scale B resolution by 4/3
```


VMCA;ES2,3 Scale A resolution by 3/2
VMAC; ES3,2 Scale A Resolution by 3/2
Note: ES must be issued after VM.

ET

Electronic cam table

Full Description

The ET command sets the ECAM table entries for the slave axes. The values of the master axes are not required. The slave entry (n) is the position of the slave axes when the master is at the point $(m i) + o$, where i is the interval and o is the offset as determined by the EP command.

Arguments

ET[m] = n,n,n,n,n,n,n where

m is an integer between 0 and 256

n is an integer in the range between -2,147,438,648, and 2,147,438,647.

n=? Returns the slave position for the specified point.

The value m can be left out of the command if the index count has been set using the command, EC. In this mode, each ET command will automatically increment the index count by 1.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

EA

Choose ECAM master

EB

Enable ECAM

EC

Set ECAM table index

EG

Engage ECAM

EM

Specify ECAM cycle

EP

Specify ECAM table intervals & starting point

EQ
Disengage ECAM

Examples:

ET[0]=0,,0 Specifies the position of the slave axes A and C to be synchronized with the starting point of the master.
ET[1]=1200,,400 Specifies the position of the slave axes A and C to be synchronized with the second point of the master
EC0 Set the table index value to 0, the first element in the table
ET 0,,0 Specifies the position of the slave axes A and C to be synchronized with the starting point of the master.
ET 1200,,400 Specifies the position of the slave axes A and C to be synchronized with the second point of the master

EW

ECAM Widen Segment

Full Description

The EW command allows widening the length of one or two ECAM segments beyond the width specified by EP. For ECAM tables with one or two long linear sections, this allows placing more points in the curved sections of the table. There are only two widened segments, and if used they are common for all ECAM axes. Remember that the widened segment lengths must be taken into account when determining the modulus (EM) for the master. The segments chosen should not be the first or last segments, or consecutive segments.

Arguments

EW m1=n1,m2=n2 where

m1 is the index of the first widened segment. m1 is a positive integer between 1 and 255.

n1 is the length of the first widened segment in master counts. n1 is an integer between 1 and 2,147,483,647.

m2 is the index of the second widened segment. m2 is a positive integer between 3 and 255.

n2 is the length of the second widened segment in master counts. n2 is an integer between 1 and 2,147,483,647.

If m1 or m2 is set to -1, there is no widened segment. The segment number m2 must be greater than m1, and m2 may not be used unless m1 is used.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value -1, 0 -1, 0

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_EW0 contains m1, the index of the first widened segment.

_EW1 contains n1, the length of the first widened segment.

_EW2 contains m2, the index of the second widened segment

_EW3 contains n2, the length of the second widened segment.

Related Commands

EP
ECAM master positions
EA
Choose ECAM master
EB
Enable ECAM
EC
Set ECAM table index
EG
Engage ECAM Slave
EM
Specify ECAM cycle
EQ
Disengage ECAM Slave
ET
ECAM table

Examples:

```
EW 41=688    :'Widen segment 41 to 688 master counts  
EW 41=688, 124=688 :'Widen segments 41 and 124 to 688 master counts
```

EY

ECAM Cycle Count

Full Description

Sets or gets the ECAM cycle count. This is the number of times that the ECAM axes have exceeded their modulus as defined by the EM command. EY will increment by one each time the master exceeds its modulus in the positive direction, and EY will decrement by one each time the master exceeds its modulus in the negative direction. EY can be used to calculate the absolute position of an axis with the following equation:

$$\text{Absolute position} = \text{EY} * \text{EM} + \text{TP}$$

Arguments

EY n where

n is a signed integer in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647 decimal.

n = ? returns the current cycle count.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_EY returns the current cycle count

Related Commands

EM

ECAM modulus

Examples:

```
MG _EY * _EMY + _TPY      print absolute position of master (Y)
```

FA

Acceleration Feedforward

Full Description

The FA command sets the acceleration feedforward coefficient. This coefficient, when scaled by the acceleration, adds a torque bias voltage during the acceleration phase and subtracts the bias during the deceleration phase of a motion.

Acceleration Feedforward Bias = FA AC 1.5 10⁻⁷

Deceleration Feedforward Bias = FA DC 1.5 10⁻⁷

The Feedforward Bias product is limited to 10 Volts. FA operates when commanding motion with PA, PR and JG.

Arguments

FA n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or FAS=n where

n is an unsigned number in the range 0 to 8191 decimal with a resolution of 0.25.

n = ? Returns the value of the feedforward acceleration coefficient for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 4.2

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_FAn contains the value of the feedforward acceleration coefficient for the specified axis.

Related Commands

FV

Velocity feedforward

Examples:

```
AC 500000,1000000 Set feedforward coefficient to 10 for the A-axis  
FA 10,15 and 15 for the B-axis. The effective bias will be 0.75V  
for A and 2.25V for B.
```

```
FA ?,? Return A and B values
```

```
: 10, 15
```

Note: If the feedforward coefficient is changed during a move, then the change will not take effect until the next move.

FE

Find Edge

Full Description

The FE command moves a motor until a transition is seen on the homing input for that axis. The direction of motion depends on the initial state of the homing input (use the CN command to configure the polarity of the home input). Once the transition is detected, the motor decelerates to a stop.

This command is useful for creating your own homing sequences.

Arguments

FE nnnnnnnn where

n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes

No argument specifies all axes.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

FI

Find Index

HM

Home

BG

Begin

AC

Acceleration Rate

DC

Deceleration Rate

SP

Speed for search

Examples:

FE Set find edge mode
BG Begin all axes
FEA Only find edge on A
BGA
FEB Only find edge on B
BGB
FECD Find edge on C and D
BGCD

Hint: Find Edge only searches for a change in state on the Home Input. Use FI (Find Index) to search for the encoder index. Use HM (Home) to search for both the Home input and the Index. Remember to specify BG after each of these commands.

FI

Find Index

Full Description

The FI and BG commands move the motor until an encoder index pulse is detected. The controller looks for a transition from low to high. There are 2 stages to the FI command. The first stage jogs the motor at the speed and direction of the JG command until a transition is detected on the index line. When the transition is detected, the position is latched and the motor will decelerate to a stop. In the second stage, the motor will reverse direction and move to the latched position of the index pulse at the speed set by the HV command.

Arguments

FI nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or sequence
No argument specifies all axes.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

FE
Find Edge
HM
Home
BG
Begin
AC
Acceleration Rate
DC
Deceleration Rate
SP
Search Speed

HV Homing Velocity

Examples:

```
#HOME      ;'Home Routine
JG 500     ;'Set speed and forward direction
FIA ;'Find index
BGA ;'Begin motion
AMA ;'After motion
MG "FOUND INDEX"
EN
```

Hint: Find Index only searches for a change in state on the Index. Use FE to search for the Home. Use HM (Home) to search for both the Home input and the Index. Remember to specify BG after each of these commands.

FL

Forward Software Limit

Full Description

The FL command sets the forward software position limit. If this limit is exceeded during motion, motion on that axis will decelerate to a stop. Forward motion beyond this limit is not permitted. The forward limit is activated at A+1, B+1, C+1, D+1.

The forward limit is disabled at 2147483647. The units are in counts.

When the forward software limit is activated, the automatic subroutine #LIMSWI will be executed if it is included in the program. See User's Manual, Automatic Subroutine.

Arguments

FL n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or FLA=n where

n is a signed integers in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647, n represents the absolute position of axis.

n = 2147483647 turns off the forward limit

n = ? Returns the value of the forward limit switch for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 2147483647

In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_FLn contains the value of the forward software limit for the specified axis.

Related Commands

BL

Reverse Limit

PF

Position Formatting

Examples:

```
FL 150000 Set forward limit to 150000 counts on the A-axis
```

FV

Velocity Feedforward

Full Description

The FV command sets the velocity feedforward coefficient, or returns the previously set value. This coefficient generates an output bias signal in proportions to the commanded velocity.

Velocity feedforward bias = $1.22 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot \text{FV} \cdot \text{Velocity}$ [in cts/s].

FV operates when commanding motion with PA, PR, JG, VM, LM, and CM.

For example, if FV=10 and the velocity is 200,000 count/s, the velocity feedforward bias equals 2.44 volts.

Arguments

FV n,n,n,n,n,n,n or FVA=n where

n is an unsigned numbers in the range 0 to 8191 decimal

n = ? Returns the feedforward velocity for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 4.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_FVn contains the feedforward velocity for the specified axis.

Related Commands

FA

Acceleration Feedforward

Examples:

```
FV 10,20    Set feedforward coefficients to 10 and 20 for A and B
             respectively
JG 30000,80000    This produces 0.366 volts for A and 1.95 volts
                 for B.
FV ?,?        Return the A and B values.
010,020
```

GA

Master Axis for Gearing

Full Description

The GA command specifies the master axes for electronic gearing. Multiple masters for gearing may be specified. The masters may be the main encoder input, auxiliary encoder input, or the commanded position of any axis. The master may also be the commanded vector move in a coordinated motion of LM or VM type. When the master is a simple axis, it may move in any direction and the slave follows. When the master is a commanded vector move, the vector move is considered positive and the slave will move forward if the gear ratio is positive, and backward if the gear ratio is negative. The slave axes and ratios are specified with the GR command and gearing is turned off by the command GR0.

Arguments

GA n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or GAA=n where

n can be A,B,C,D,E,F,G, H, M or N. The value of n is used to set the specified main encoder axis as the gearing master and M and N represents the virtual axes. The slave axis is specified by the position of the argument. The first position of the argument corresponds to the 'A' axis, the second position corresponds to the 'B' axis, etc. A comma must be used in place of an argument if the corresponding axes will not be a slave.

n can be CA,CB,CC,CD,CE,CF,CG or CH. The value of x is used to set the commanded position of the specified axis as the gearing master.

n can be S or T. S and T are used to specify the vector motion of the coordinated system, S or T, as the gearing master.

n can be DA,DB,DC,DD,DE,DF,DG or DH. The value of n is used to set the specified auxiliary encoder axis as the gearing master.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

GR
Gear Ratio
GM
Gantry Mode

Examples:

```
#GEAR      ;'Gear program
GA ,A,T    ;'Specify A axis as master for B and vector motion
; 'on T as master for C
GR ,.5,-2.5 ;'Specify B and C ratios
JG 5000    ;'Specify master jog speed
BGA ;'Begin motion
WT 10000   ;'Wait 10000 msec
STA ;'Stop
AMA ;'Wait for motion to complete
EN  ;'End Program
Hint: Using the command position as the master axis is useful for
gantry applications. Using the vector motion as master is useful in
generating Helical motion.
```


GD

Gear Distance

Full Description

The GD command sets the distance of the master axis over which the specified slave will be engaged, disengaged or changed to a new gear setting. The distance is entered as an absolute value, the motion of the master may be in either direction. If the distance is set to 0, then the gearing will engage instantly.

Arguments

GD n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n where
n is an integer in the range 0 to 32767, the units are in encoder counts
n = 0 will result in the conventional method of instant gear change
n = ? will return the value that is set for the appropriate axis

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 5.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage

Operand Usage

`_GDn` contains the distance the master axis will travel for the specified slave axis to fully engage, disengage, or change ratios.

Related Commands

`_GP`
Gearing Phase Differential
`GR`
Gear Ratio
`GA`
Gear Axis

Examples:

```
#A  
GA,X ;'Sets the X axis as the gearing master for the Y axis
```

```
GD,5000      ;'Set distance over which gearing is engaged to 5000
counts ;'of the master axis.
JG5000      ;'Set the X axis jog speed to 5000 cts/sec
BGX ;'Begin motion on the X axis
ASX ;'Wait until X axis reaches the set speed of 5000 counts/sec
GR,1        ;'Engage gearing on the Y axis with a ratio of 1:1, the
;'distance to fully engage gearing will be 5000 counts of the
;'master axis
WT1000      ;'Wait 1 second
GR,3        ;'Set the gear ratio to three. The ratio will be
changed ;'over the distance set by the GD command
WT1000      ;'Wait 1 second
GR,0        ;'Disengage the gearing between the Y axis slave and the
;'master. The gearing will be disengaged over the number of
;'counts of the master specified with the GD command above
EN ;'End program
```

GM

Gantry mode

Full Description

The GM command specifies the axes in which the gearing function is performed in the Gantry mode. In this mode, the gearing will not be stopped by the ST command or by limit switches. Only GR0 will stop the gearing in this mode.

Arguments

GM n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or GMA=n where
n = 0 Disables gantry mode function
n = 1 Enables the gantry mode
n = ? Returns the state of gantry mode for the specified axis: 0 gantry mode disabled,
1 gantry mode enabled

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_GMn contains the state of gantry mode for the specified axis: 0 gantry mode disabled, 1 gantry mode enabled

Related Commands

GR
Gear Ratio
GA
Gear Axes

Examples:

```
GM 1,1,1,1 Enable GM on all axes
GM 0       Disable GM on A-axis, other axes remain unchanged
GM , ,1,1 Enable GM on C-axis and D-axis, other axes remain
unchanged
GM 1,0,1,0 Enable GM on A and C-axis, disable GM on B and D axis
```

Hint: The GM command is useful for driving heavy load on both sides (Gantry Style).

GR

Gear Ratio

Full Description

GR specifies the Gear Ratios for the geared axes in the electronic gearing mode. The master axis is defined by the GA command. The gear ratio may be different for each geared axis. The master can go in both directions. A gear ratio of 0 disables gearing for each axis. A limit switch also disables the gearing unless gantry mode has been enabled (see GM command).

Arguments

GR n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or GRA=n where
n is a signed numbers in the range +/-127, with a fractional resolution of .
n = 0 Disables gearing
n = ? Returns the value of the gear ratio for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 3.4
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_GRn contains the value of the gear ratio for the specified axis.

Related Commands

GA
Master Axis
GM
Gantry Mode

Examples:

```
#GEAR
MOB ;'Turn off servo to B motor
GAB,,B ;'Specify master axis as B
GR .25,,-5 ;'Specify A and C gear ratios
EN ;'End program
```

Now when the B motor is rotated by hand, the A will rotate at 1/4th the speed and C will rotate 5 times the speed in the opposite direction.

Hint: when the geared motors must be coupled "strongly" to the master, use the gantry mode GM.

HM

Home

Full Description

The HM command performs a three-stage homing sequence for servo systems and two stage sequence for stepper motor operation.

For servo motor operation: During first stage of the homing sequence, the motor moves at the user programmed speed until detecting a transition on the homing input for that axis. The direction for this first stage is determined by the initial state of the homing input. Once the homing input changes state, the motor decelerates to a stop. The state of the homing input can be configured using the CN command.

At the second stage, the motor change directions and slowly approach the transition again at the speed set with the HV command. When the transition is detected, the motor is stopped instantaneously.

At the third stage, the motor moves forward at the speed set with the HV command until it detects an index pulse from the encoder. It latches to this point and defines it as position 0.

For stepper mode operation, the sequence consists of the first two stages. The frequency of the motion in stage 2 is set with the HV command.

Arguments

HM nnnnnnnnnn where

n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G, or H, or any combination to specify the axis. No argument homes all axes.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

`_HMn` contains the state of the home switch for the specified axis

Related Commands

CN

Configure Home

FI

Find Index Only
FE
Find Home Only
HV
Homing velocity

Examples:

```
HM Set Homing Mode for all axes  
BG Home all axes  
BGA Home only the A-axis  
BGB Home only the B-axis  
BGC Home only the C-axis  
BGD Home only the D-axis
```

Hint: You can create your own custom homing sequence by using the FE (Find Home Sensor only) and FI (Find Index only) commands.

HS

Handle Assignment Switch

Full Description

The HS command is used to switch the handle assignments between two handles. The controller assigns handles when the handles are opened with the HC command, or are assigned explicitly with the IH command. Should those assignments need modifications, the HS command allows the handles to be reassigned.

Arguments

HSh=i where
h is the first handle of the switch (A through H, S)
i is the second handle of the switch (A through H, S)
S is used to represent the current handle executing the command

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value --
In a Program Yes Default Format --
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

IH
Internet Handle

Examples:

```
HSC=D      Connection for handle C is assigned to handle D.  
Connection for handle D is assigned to handle C.  
HSS=E      Executing handle connection is assigned to handle E.  
Connection for handle E is assigned to executing handle.
```

HV

Homing Velocity

Full Description

Sets the slow speed for the FI final move to the index and all but the first stage of HM.

Arguments

HV n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or HVA=n where n is an unsigned even number in the range 0 to 22,000,000 for servo motors. The units are encoder counts per second.

OR

n is an unsigned number in the range 0 to 6,000,000 for stepper motors

n = ? Returns the speed for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 256

In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_HVn contains the homing speed for the specified axis.

Related Commands

HM

Home

FI

Find index

Examples:

```
HVX=1000 ;'set homing speed
HMX      ;'home to home switch then index
BGX      ;'begin motion
AMX      ;'wait for motion complete
EN       ;'end program
```

HX

Halt Execution

Full Description

The HX command halts the execution of any program that is running.

Arguments

HXn where
n is an integer in the range of 0 to 7 and indicates the thread number.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value n = 0
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

When used as an operand, _HXn contains the running status of thread n with:
0 Thread not running
1 Thread is running
2 Thread has stopped at trippoint

Related Commands

XQ
Execute program
HX
Stop all threads of motion

Examples:

```
XQ #A      Execute program #A, thread zero  
XQ #B,3    Execute program #B, thread three  
HX0 Halt thread zero  
HX3 Halt thread three
```

IA

IP Address

Full Description

The IA command assigns the controller with an IP address.

The IA command may also be used to specify the time out value. This is only applicable when using the TCP/IP protocol.

The IA command can only be used via RS-232. Since it assigns an IP address to the controller, communication with the controller via internet cannot be accomplished until after the address has been assigned.

Arguments

IA ip0,ip1,ip2, ip3 or IA n or IA<t where

ip0, ip1, ip2, ip3 are 1 byte numbers separated by commas and represent the individual fields of the IP address.

n is the IP address for the controller which is specified as an integer representing the signed 32 bit number (two's complement).

<t specifies the time in update samples between TCP retries. $1 \leq t \leq 2,147,483,647$ up to 5 retries occur. (TCP/IP connection only)

>u specifies the multicast IP address where u is an integer between 0 and 63. (UDP/IP connection only)

IA? will return the IP address of the controller

Usage

While Moving No Default Value n = 0, t=250

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_IA0 contains the IP address representing a 32 bit signed number (Two's complement)

_IA1 contains the value for t (retry time)

_IA2 contains the number of available handles

_IA3 contains the number of the handle using this operand where the number is 0 to 5. 0 represents handle A, 1 handle B, etc.

_IA4 contains the number of the handle that lost communication last, contains A-1 on reset to indicate no handles lost

IA5 returns autonegotiation Ethernet speed. Returns 10 for 10-Base T and returns 100 for 100-Base T, it will return -1 if there is no physical link

Related Commands

IH
Internet Handle

Examples:

```
IA 151,12,53,89    Assigns the controller with the address  
151.12.53.89  
IA 2534159705     Assigns the controller with the address  
151.12.53.89  
IA < 500         Sets the timeout value to 500msec  
ID
```

ID

Identify

Full Description

The ID command is used to query the controller for the accessories that are attached. It will respond with the type of communications board followed by the amplifier for axes 1-4 and then axes 5-8 if any are attached.

Arguments

None

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -----
In a Program No Default Format -----
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
:ID  
Connector J3= Communications Board CMB-41012 3.3 volt i/o  
Connector P1= Stepper Amplifier Board AMP-44040  
Connector P2= Stepper Amplifier Board AMP-44040
```

IF

IF conditional statement

Full Description

The IF command is used in conjunction with an ENDIF command to form an IF conditional statement. The arguments consist of one or more conditional statements and each condition must be enclosed with parenthesis (). If the conditional statement(s) evaluates true, the command interpreter will continue executing commands which follow the IF command. If the conditional statement evaluates false, the controller will ignore commands until the associated ENDIF command OR an ELSE command occurs in the program.

Arguments

IF (condition) where

Conditions are tested with the following logical operators:

< less than or equal to

> greater than

= equal to

<= less than or equal to

>= greater than or equal to

<> not equal

Note: Bit wise operators ? and & can be used to evaluate multiple conditions.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line No

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

ELSE

Optional command to be used only after IF command

ENDIF

End of IF conditional Statement

Examples:

```
#A
IF (_TEA<1000)      ;'IF conditional statement based on ;'A motor
position
MG "Motor is within 1000 counts of zero" ;'Message to be executed
if "IF" ;'conditional statement is true
ENDIF              ;'End of IF conditional statement
EN ;'End Program
```


IH

Open Internet Handle

Full Description

The IH command is used when the controller is operated as a master (also known as a client). This command opens a handle and connects to a slave.

Each controller may have 8 handles open at any given time. They are designated by the letters A through H. To open a handle, the user must specify:

1. The IP address of the slave
2. The type of session: TCP/IP or UDP/IP
3. The port number of the slave. This number is not necessary if the slave device does not require a specific port value. If not specified, the controller will specify the port value as 1000.

Arguments

IHh= ip0,ip1,ip2,ip3 <p >q or IHh=n <p >q or IHh= >r where

h is the handle, specified as A,B,C,D,E, F, G, or H

ip0,ip1,ip2,ip3 are integers between 0 and 255 and represent the individual fields of the IP address. These values must be separated by commas.

n is a signed integer between - 2147483648 and 2147483647. This value is the 32 bit IP address and can be used instead of specifying the 4 address fields.

IHS => r closes the handle that sent the command; where r = -1 for UDP/IP, or r = -2 for TCP/IP.

IHT => r closes all handles except for the one sending the command; where r = -1 UDP, or r = -2 TCP.

<p specifies the port number of the slave where p is an integer between 0 and 65535. This value is not required for opening a handle.

>q specifies the connection type where q is 0 for no connection, 1 for UDP and 2 for TCP

>r specifies that the connection be terminated and the handle be freed, where r is -1 for UDP, -2 for TCP/IP, or -3 for TCP/IP Reset

"?" returns the IP address as 4 1-byte numbers

Usage

While Moving No Default Value -----

In a Program Yes Default Format -----

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

`_IHh0` contains the IP address as a 32 bit number
`_IHh1` contains the slave port number
`_IHh2` contains a 0 if the handle is free
contains a 1 if it is for a UDP slave
contains a 2 if it is for a TCP slave
contains a -1 if it is for a UDP master
contains a -2 if it is for a TCP master
contains a -5 while attempting to establish a UDP handle
contains a -6 while attempting to establish a TCP/IP handle

`_IHh3` contains a 0 if the ARP was successful
contains a 1 if it has failed or is still in progress
`_IHh4` contains a 1 if the master controller is waiting for acknowledgment from the slave after issuing a command.
contains a 2 if the master controller received a colon from the slave after issuing a command.
contains a 3 if the master controller received a question mark from the slave after issuing a command.
contains a 4 if the master controller timed-out while waiting for a response from the slave after issuing a command.

Related Commands

IA Internet Address

Examples:

```
IHA=251,29,51,1    Open handle A at IP address 251.29.51.1  
IHA= -2095238399  Open handle A at IP address 251.29.51.1  
Note:  When the IH command is given, the controller initializes an  
ARP on the slave device before opening a handle.  This operation can  
cause a small time delay before the controller responds.
```

II

Input Interrupt

Full Description

The II command enables the interrupt function for the specified inputs. By default, input interrupts are configured for activation with a logic "0" but can be configured for activation with a logic "1" signal.

If any of the specified inputs are activated during program execution, the program will jump to the subroutine with label #ININT. Any trippoints set by the program will be cleared but can be re-enabled by the proper termination of the interrupt subroutine using RI. The RI command is used to return from the #ININT routine.

Arguments

II m,n,o,p where

m is an integer between 0 and 8 decimal. 0 disables interrupt. The value of m specifies the lowest input to be used for the input interrupt. When the 2nd argument, n, is omitted, only the input specified by m will be enabled.

n is an integer between 2 and 8. This argument is optional and is used with m to specify a range of values for input interrupts. For example, II 2,4 specifies interrupts occurring for Input 2, Input 3 and Input 4.

o is an integer between 1 and 255. Using this argument is an alternative to specifying an input range with m,n. If m and n are specified, o will be ignored. The argument o is an integer value and represents a binary number. For example, if o = 15, the binary equivalent is 00001111 where the bottom 4 bits are 1 (bit 0 through bit 3) and the top 4 bits are 0 (bit 4 through bit 7). Each bit represents an interrupt to be enabled - bit0 for interrupt 1, bit 1 for interrupt 2, etc. If o=15, the inputs 1,2,3 and 4 would be enabled.

p is an integer between 1 and 255. The argument p is used to specify inputs that will be activated with a logic "1". This argument is an integer value and represents a binary number. This binary number is used to logically "AND" with the inputs which have been specified by the parameters m and n or the parameter o. For example, if m=1 and n=4, the inputs 1,2,3 and 4 have been activated. If the value for p is 2 (the binary equivalent of 2 is 00000010), input 2 will be activated by a logic '1' and inputs 1,3, and 4 will be activated with a logic "0".

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value

In a Program Yes Default Format 3.0 (mask only)

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage All Controllers

Operand Usage

Related Commands

RI
Return from Interrupt
#ININT
Interrupt Subroutine
AI
Trippoint for input

Examples:

```
#A ;'Program A
II 1 ;'Specify interrupt on input 1
JG 5000;BGA ;'Specify jog and begin motion on A axis
#LOOP;JP #LOOP ;'Loop
EN ;'End Program
#ININT ;'Interrupt subroutine
STA;MG "INTERRUPT";AMA ;'Stop A, print message, wait for motion
to ;'complete
#CLEAR;JP#CLEAR,@IN[1]=0 ;'Check for interrupt clear
BGA ;'Begin motion
RI0 ;'Return to main program, don't re-enable ;'trippoints
```

IK

Block Ethernet ports

Full Description

The IK command blocks the controller from receiving packets on Ethernet ports lower than 1000 except for ports 0, 23, 68, and 502.

Arguments

IKn where

n = 0 allows controller to receive Ethernet packets on any port

n = 1 blocks controller from receiving Ethernet packets on all ports lower than 1000 except for 0, 23, 68, and 502.

n = ? queries controller for value of IK

Usage

In a Program Yes Default Value n = 1

Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

_IK can not be used as an operand.

Related Commands

TH

Tell Handles

IH

Open new Ethernet handle

Examples:

IK1 Blocks undesirable port communication

IK0 Allows all Ethernet ports to be used

IL

Integrator Limit

Full Description

The IL command limits the effect of the integrator function in the filter to a certain voltage. For example, IL 2 limits the output of the integrator of the A-axis to the +/-2 Volt range.

A negative parameter also freezes the effect of the integrator during the move. For example, IL -3 limits the integrator output to +/-3V. If, at the start of the motion, the integrator output is 1.6 Volts, that level will be maintained through the move. Note, however, that the KD and KP terms remain active in any case.

Arguments

IL n,n,n,n,n,n,n or ILA=n where
n is a number in the range -10 to 10 Volts with a resolution of 0.0003.
n = ? Returns the value of the integrator limit for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 9.9982
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_ILn contains the value of the integrator limit for the specified axis.

Related Commands

KI
Integrator

Examples:

```
KI 2,3,5,8 Integrator constants
IL 3,2,7,2 Integrator limits
IL ?      Returns the A-axis limit
3.0000
```

IN

Input Variable

Full Description

The IN command allows a variable to be input from a keyboard. When the IN command is executed in a program, the prompt message is displayed. The operator then enters the variable value followed by a carriage return. The entered value is assigned to the specified variable name.

The IN command holds up execution of following commands in a program until a carriage return or semicolon is detected. If no value is given prior to a semicolon or carriage return, the previous variable value is kept. Input Interrupts, Error Interrupts and Limit Switch Interrupts will still be active.

The IN command may only be used in thread 0.

Arguments

IN "m",n where

m is prompt message

n is the variable name

The total number of characters for n and m must be less than 80 characters.

Note: Do not include a space between the comma at the end of the input message and the variable name.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value ----

In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format

Command Line No

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

Operator specifies length of material to be cut in inches and speed in inches/sec (2 pitch lead screw, 2000 counts/rev encoder).

IP

Increment Position

Full Description

The IP command allows for a change in the command position while the motor is moving. This command does not require a BG. The command has three effects depending on the motion being executed. The units of this are quadrature.

Case 1: Motor is standing still

An IP a,b,c,d command is equivalent to a PR a,b,c,d and BG command. The motor will move to the specified position at the requested slew speed and acceleration.

Case 2: Motor is moving towards a position as specified by PR, PA, or IP.

An IP command will cause the motor to move to a new position target, which is the old target plus the specified increment. The incremental position must be in the same direction as the existing motion.

Case 3: Motor is in the Jog Mode

An IP command will cause the motor to instantly try to servo to a position which is the current instantaneous position plus the specified increment position. The SP and AC parameters have no effect. This command is useful when synchronizing 2 axes in which one of the axis' speed is indeterminate due to a variable diameter pulley.

Warning: When the mode is in jog mode, an IP will create an instantaneous position error. In this mode, the IP should only be used to make small incremental position movements.

Arguments

IP n,n,n,n,n,n,n or IPA=n where

n is a signed numbers in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647 decimal.

n = ? Returns the current position of the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value

In a Program Yes Default Format PF

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

PF

Position Formatting

Examples:

IP 50 50 counts with set acceleration and speed

IT

Independent Time Constant - Smoothing Function

Full Description

The IT command filters the acceleration and deceleration functions of independent moves such as JG, PR, PA to produce a smooth velocity profile. The resulting profile, known as smoothing, has continuous acceleration and results in reduced mechanical vibrations. IT sets the bandwidth of the filter where 1 means no filtering and 0.004 means maximum filtering. Note that the filtering results in longer motion time.

The use of IT will not effect the trippoints AR and AD. The trippoints AR & AD monitor the profile prior to the IT filter and therefore can be satisfied before the actual distance has been reached if IT is NOT 1.

Arguments

IT n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or ITA=n where

n is a positive numbers in the range between 0.004 and 1.0 with a resolution of 1/256.

n = ? Returns the value of the independent time constant for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 1

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_ITn contains the value of the independent time constant for the specified 'n' axis.

Related Commands

PR

Position relative

PA

Position absolute

JG

Jog

VM

Vector mode

LM
Linear Interpolation Mode

Examples:

```
IT 0.8, 0.6, 0.9, 0.1      Set independent time constants for  
a,b,c,d axes  
IT ?          Return independent time constant for A-axis  
:0.8
```

JG

Jog

Full Description

The JG command sets the jog mode and the jog slew speed of the axes.

Arguments

JG n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or JGA=n where

n is a signed numbers in the range 0 to +/-22,000,000 decimal. The units of this are counts/second. (Use JGN = n or JGM = n for the virtual axes)

For stepper motor operation, the maximum value is 6,000,000 steps/ second

n = ? Returns the absolute value of the jog speed for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 25000

In a Program Yes Default Format 8.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_JGn contains the absolute value of the jog speed for the specified axis.

Related Commands

BG

Begin

ST

Stop

AC

Acceleration

DC

Deceleration

IP

Increment Position

TV

Tell Velocity

Examples:

JG 100,500,2000,5000 Set for jog mode with a slew speed of 100
counts/sec for the A-axis, 500 counts/sec for the B-axis, 2000
counts/sec for the C-axis, and 5000 counts/sec for D-axis.
BG Begin Motion
JG ,,-2000 Change the C-axis to slew in the negative direction at -
2000 counts/sec.

JP

Jump to Program Location

Full Description

The JP command causes a jump to a program location on a specified condition. The program location may be any program line number or label. The condition is a conditional statement which uses a logical operator such as equal to or less than. A jump is taken if the specified condition is true.

Multiple conditions can be used in a single jump statement. The conditional statements are combined in pairs using the operands "&" and "|". The "&" operand between any two conditions, requires that both statements must be true for the combined statement to be true. The "|" operand between any two conditions, requires that only one statement be true for the combined statement to be true. Note: Each condition must be placed in parenthesis for proper evaluation by the controller.

Arguments

JP location,condition where
location is a program line number or label
condition is a conditional statement using a logical operator
The logical operators are:
< less than
> greater than
= equal to
<= less than or equal to
>= greater than or equal to
<> not equal to

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

JS
Jump to Subroutine
IF

If conditional statement
ELSE
Else function for use with IF conditional statement
ENDIF
End of IF conditional statement

Examples:

```
JP #POS1,V1<5      Jump to label #POS1 if variable V1 is less than 5  
JP #A,V7*V8=0     Jump to #A if V7 times V8 equals 0  
JP #B             Jump to #B (no condition)
```

Hint: JP is similar to an IF, THEN command. Text to the right of the comma is the condition that must be met for a jump to occur. The destination is the specified label before the comma.

JS

Jump to Subroutine

Full Description

The JS command will change the sequential order of execution of commands in a program. If the jump is taken, program execution will continue at the line specified by the destination parameter, which can be either a line number or label. The line number of the JS command is saved and after the next EN command is encountered (End of subroutine), program execution will continue with the instruction following the JS command. There can be a JS command within a subroutine, up to 16 deep. Multiple conditions can be used in a single jump statement. The conditional statements are combined in pairs using the operands "&" and "|". The "&" operand between any two conditions, requires that both statements must be true for the combined statement to be true. The "|" operand between any two conditions, requires that only one statement be true for the combined statement to be true. Note: Each condition must be placed in parenthesis for proper evaluation by the controller. A jump is taken if the specified condition is true. Conditions are tested with logical operators. The logical operators are:

< less than or equal to <= less than or equal to

> greater than >= greater than or equal to

= equal to <> not equal

Passing Values on the Stack

Note: Passing values on the stack is advanced DMC programming, and is recommended for experienced DMC programmers familiar with the concept of passing arguments by value and by reference.

Up to 8 parameters can be passed on the subroutine stack. One value can be returned from a subroutine. More returns are possible with pass by reference and array passing.

Using subroutine stacks and passing parameters in a subroutine has many advantages including:

1. Code flexibility/reuse. A single subroutine can be written and called many times and from various locations in code. The stack "remembers" where to return when completed. This is opposite from a "blind jump" (JP).
2. Variable Scope/ Local variables. A subroutine can run with a protected variable space. Local variables exist only in the extent of the subroutine, and no external thread or stack level can access local variables. Global variables aren't needed for counters, indices, and other helper variables. ^a - ^h must be used for local variables. Regular variable names remain global.
3. Each thread has its own stack, therefore subroutines are reentrant. In other words, multiple threads can be running the same subroutine simultaneously at various stack depths.
4. Support for recursion. Although the subroutine stack is only 16 deep, recursion is possible. A stack depth of 16 is sufficient for many recursive tasks. E.G. recursing

axes, handles, and thread status.

5. Parameter passing. A calling command can explicitly specify the inputs to a subroutine. The subroutine can pass one value back to the calling command. More returns are possible with pass by reference and array passing.

Constants, Variables, and Arrays may be passed up a subroutine stack.

Variables may be passed by value or by reference. If passed by value, a copy is made in the subroutine stack, leaving the original variable unchangeable. If passed by reference, the original variable's value will be changed when the subroutine writes to its local variable. This is similar, but not exactly analogous, to a C pointer.

A variable passed by reference is automatically dereferenced; the variable pointer is not exposed to the user. Following the C syntax, a by-reference pass is accomplished with the ampersand (&) in the invoking call.

Arrays can be passed in the stack, though only by reference. No "&" is used when passing arrays, by-reference is assumed. The length of an array is returned by reading index -1, e.g. array[-1].

To return a value on the stack, write the value in the EN command upon ending the subroutine.

Arguments

JS destination (param1,param2,...,param8), condition where destination is a line number or label. An expression such as (#LABEL + 4) is also valid.

param1 - param8 are optional parameters to pass to the subroutine's stack, referenced from within the subroutine as ^a-^h, respectively.

Condition is a conditional statement using a logical operator

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line No

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_JS used after JS is called, this operand contains the returned of the subroutine called by JS

Related Commands

& |

Bitwise Logical Operators AND and OR

^a, ^b, ^c, ^d, ^e, ^f, ^g, ^h

JS subroutine stack variable

EN
End

Examples:

```
JS #SQUARE,V1<5      Jump to subroutine #SQUARE if V1 is less than 5
JS #LOOP,V1<>0      Jump to #LOOP if V1 is not equal to 0
JS #A                Jump to subroutine #A (no condition)
Passing Parameters:
#ADD
JS#SUM(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8)  ;' call subroutine, pass values
MG_JS                ;' print return value
EN
```

KD

Derivative Constant

Full Description

KD designates the derivative constant in the control filter. The filter transfer function is

$$D(z) = KP + KD(z-1)/z + KIz/2 (z-1)$$

For further details on the filter see the section Theory of Operation.

Arguments

KD n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or KDX=n where

n is an unsigned numbers in the range 0 to 4095.875 with a resolution of 1/8.

n = ? Returns the value of the derivative constant for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 64

In a Program Yes Default Format 4.2

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_KDn contains the value of the derivative constant for the specified axis.

Related Commands

KI

Integrator

KP

Proportional

Examples:

```
KD 100,200,300,400.25      Specify KD
```

```
KD ?,?,?,? Return KD
```

```
:100.00, 200.00, 300.00, 400.25
```

Note: KD now has four time more resolution as prior controllers, and thus for the same value is four times less effective.

KI

Integrator

Full Description

The KI command sets the integral gain of the control loop. It fits in the control equation as follows:

$$D(z) = KP + KD(z-1)/z + KI z/2(z-1)$$

The integrator term will reduce the position error at rest to zero.

Arguments

KI n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or KIA=n where

n is an unsigned numbers in the range 0 to 255 with a resolution of 0.001.

n = ? Returns the value for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 4.4

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_KIn contains the value of the integral gain for the specified axis.

Related Commands

KP

Proportional Constant

KD

Derivative Constant

IL

Integrator Limit

Examples:

KI 12,14,16,20 Specify a,b,c,d-axis integral

KI 7 Specify a-axis only

KI ,,8 Specify c-axis only

KI ?,?,?,? Return A,B,C,D

:7, 14, 8, 20 KI values

KP

Proportional Constant

Full Description

KP designates the proportional constant in the controller filter. The filter transfer function is

$$D(z) = KP + KD(z-1)/z + KI z/2(z-1)$$

For further details see the section Theory of Operation in the User's Manual.

Arguments

KP n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or KPA=n where

n is an unsigned numbers in the range 0 to 1023.875 with a resolution of 1/8.

n = ? Returns the value of the proportional constant for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 6

In a Program Yes Default Format 4.2

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_KPn contains the value of the proportional constant for the specified axis.

Related Commands

KD

Derivative Constant

KI

Integrator Constant

IL

Integrator Limit

Examples:

```
KP 12,14,16,20    Specify a,b,c,d-axis proportional
KP 7              Specify a-axis only
KP ,,8           Specify c-axis only
KP ?,?,?,?      Return A,B,C,D
:7, 14, 8, 20    KP values
```

KS

Step Motor Smoothing

Full Description

The KS parameter sets the amount of smoothing of stepper motor pulses. This is most useful when operating in full or half step mode. Larger values of KS provide greater smoothness. This parameter will also increase the motion time by 3KS sampling periods. KS adds a single pole low pass filter onto the output of the motion profiler.

Note: KS will cause a delay in the generation of output steps.

Arguments

KS n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or KSA=n where
n is a positive number in the range between 0.25 and 64 with a resolution of 1/32.
n = ? Returns the value of the smoothing constant for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 2.000
In a Program Yes Default Format 2.3
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_KS_n contains the value of the stepper motor smoothing constant for the specified axis.

Related Commands

MT
Motor Type

Examples:

```
KS 2, 4 , 8 Specify a,b,c axes  
KS 5       Specify a-axis only  
KS ,,15    Specify c-axis only  
Hint: KS is valid for step motor only.
```

LA

List Arrays

Full Description

The LA command returns a list of all arrays in memory. The listing will be in alphabetical order. The size of each array will be included next to each array name in square brackets.

Arguments

None

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

LL
List Labels
LS
List Program
LV
List Variable

Examples:

```
: LA  
CA [10]  
LA [5]  
NY [25]  
VA [17]
```

LB

LCD Bias Contrast

Full Description

Sets the Bias contrast on the LCD.

Arguments

LBn where
n is an integer between 0 and 15 where 0 is least contrast and 15 is greatest contrast.
A negative value turns the optional backlight on.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 8.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_LB contains setting of the LB command

Related Commands

MG
Message {Lx}
LU
LCD Update

Examples:

```
LB0 Set the LCD Bias Contrast to minimum
LB15      Set the LCD Bias Contrast to maximum
LB-8      Set the LCD Bias Contrast to default and turn on
backlight (backlight is an optional enhancement)
```


LC

Low Current Stepper Mode

Full Description

Causes the amp enable line for the specified axes to toggle (disabling the stepper drives) a programmable amount of time after the respective axes stop (profiler holding position). Each axis is handled individually. This will reduce current consumption, but there will be no holding torque. The MT command must be issued prior to the LC command.

Arguments

LC n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n where

n = 0 Normal (stepper drive always on)

n = 1 Stepper drive on at a reduced current

n is an integer between 2 and 32767 specifying the number of samples to wait between the end of the move and when the amp enable line toggles

n = ? Returns the current value

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 5.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_LCn contains the low current value.

Related Commands

MT

Motor Type

Examples:

MTZ=2 Specify stepper mode for the z axis

LCZ=1 Specify low current mode for the z axis and disable immediately

LD

Limit Disable

Full Description

Disables limit switches. Soft limits BL and FL are still in effect. This feature should be used to gain additional digital inputs if limit switches are not used, or if there is a noise problem which causes limit switch conditions even though no limit switches are connected.

Arguments

LD n,n,n,n,n,n,n or LDA=n where
n = 0 enabled (default)
n = 1 forward limit disabled
n = 2 reverse limit disabled
n = 3 both disabled
n = ? returns the current setting

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_LDn contains the current value

Related Commands

_LFX State of forward limit
_LRX State of reverse limit
SC
Stop code
BL
Backward soft limit
FL
Forward soft limit

Examples:

LDX=1 Disable the forward limit switch on the X axis

LE

Linear Interpolation End

Full Description

LE

Signifies the end of a linear interpolation sequence. It follows the last LI specification in a linear sequence. After the LE specification, the controller issues commands to decelerate the motors to a stop. The VE command is interchangeable with the LE command.

The LE command will apply to the selected coordinate system, S or T. To select the coordinate system, use the command CAS or CAT.

Arguments

n = ? Returns the total move length in encoder counts for the selected coordinate system, S or T. To select the coordinate system, use the command CAS or CAT.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format PF
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_LEn contains the total vector move length in encoder counts.

Related Commands

LI
Linear Distance
BG
BGS - Begin Sequence
LM
Linear Interpolation Mode
VS
Vector Speed
VA
Vector Acceleration
VD
Vector Deceleration

PF
Position Formatting

Examples:

```
CAS Specify S coordinated motion system
LM CD      Specify linear interpolation mode for C and D axes
LI ,,100,200 Specify linear distance
LE End linear move
BGS Begin motion
```

LI

Linear Interpolation Distance

Full Description

The LI a,b,c,d command specifies the incremental distance of travel for each axis in the Linear Interpolation (LM) mode. LI parameters are relative distances given with respect to the current axis positions. Up to 511 LI specifications may be given ahead of the Begin Sequence (BGS) command. Additional LI commands may be sent during motion when the controller sequence buffer frees additional spaces for new vector segments. The Linear End (LE) command must be given after the last LI specification in a sequence. This command tells the controller to decelerate to a stop at the last LI command. It is the responsibility of the user to keep enough LI segments in the controller's sequence buffer to ensure continuous motion.

LM ? Returns the available spaces for LI segments that can be sent to the buffer. 511 returned means the buffer is empty and 511 LI segments can be sent. A zero means the buffer is full and no additional segments can be sent. It should be noted that the controller computes the vector speed based on the axes specified in the LM mode. For example, LM ABC designates linear interpolation for the A,B and C axes. The speed of these axes will be computed from $VS^2=AS^2+BS^2+CS^2$ where AS, BS and CS are the speed of the A,B and C axes. If the LI command specifies only A and B, the speed of C will still be used in the vector calculations. The controller always uses the axis specifications from LM, not LI, to compute the speed. The parameter n is optional and can be used to define the vector speed that is attached to the motion segment.

The LI command will apply to the selected coordinate system, S or T. To select the coordinate system, use the command CAS or CAT.

Arguments

LI n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n <o >p or LIA=n where

n is a signed integer in the range -8,388,607 to 8,388,607 and represents the incremental move distance (at least one n must be non-zero).

o specifies a vector speed to be taken into effect at the execution of the linear segment. o is an unsigned even integer between 0 and 22,000,000 for servo motor operation and between 0 and 6,000,000 for stepper motors.

p specifies a vector speed to be achieved at the end of the linear segment. Based on vector accel and decel rates, p is an unsigned even integer between 0 and 22,000,000 for servos, and between 0 and 6,000,000 for steppers.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

LE
Linear end
LM
Linear Interpolation Mode

Examples:

```
LM ABC      Specify linear interpolation mode  
LI 1000,2000,3000  Specify distance  
LE Last segment  
BGS Begin sequence
```

LL

List Labels

Full Description

The LL command returns a listing of all of the program labels in memory and their associated line numbers. The listing will be in alphabetical order.

Arguments

None

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

LA
List Arrays
LS
List Program
LV
List Variables

Examples:

```
: LL  
# FIVE=5  
# FOUR=4  
# ONE=1  
# THREE=3  
# TWO=2
```


LM

Linear Interpolation Mode

Full Description

The LM command specifies the linear interpolation mode and specifies the axes for linear interpolation. Any set of 1 thru 8 axes may be used for linear interpolation. LI commands are used to specify the travel distances for linear interpolation. The LE command specifies the end of the linear interpolation sequence. Several LI commands may be given as long as the controller sequence buffer has room for additional segments. Once the LM command has been given, it does not need to be given again unless the VM command has been used.

It should be noted that the controller computes the vector speed based on the axes specified in the LM mode. For example, LM ABC designates linear interpolation for the A,B and C axes. The speed of these axes will be computed from $VS^2=AS^2+BS^2+CS^2$, where AS, BS and CS are the speed of the A,B and C axes. In this example, If the LI command specifies only A and B, the speed of C will still be used in the vector calculations. The controller always uses the axis specifications from LM, not LI, to compute the speed.

The LM command will apply to the selected coordinate system, S or T. To select the coordinate system, use the command CAS or CAT.

Arguments

LM nnnnnnnnnn where

n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes

n = ? Returns the number of spaces available in the sequence buffer for additional LI commands.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_LMn contains the number of spaces available in the sequence buffer for the 'n' coordinate system, S or T.

Related Commands

LE
Linear end
LI
Linear Distance
VA
Vector acceleration
VS
Vector Speed
VD
Vector deceleration
AV
Vector distance
CS
_CS - Sequence counter

Examples:

```
LM ABCD      Specify linear interpolation mode
VS 10000; VA 100000;VD 1000000    Specify vector speed,
acceleration and deceleration
LI 200,300,400,500 Specify linear distance
LE; BGS      Last vector, then begin motion
```

LS

List

Full Description

The LS command returns a listing of the programs in memory.

Arguments

LS n,m where

n and m are valid numbers from 0 to 1999, or labels. n is the first line to be listed, m is the last.

n is an integer in the range of 0 to 1999 or a label in the program memory. n is used to specify the first line to be listed.

m is an integer in the range of 1 to 1999 or a label on the program memory. m is used to specify the last line to be listed.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0, Last Line

In a Program No Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

LA

List Arrays

LL

List Labels

LV

List Variables

Examples:

```
:LS #A,6      List program starting at #A through line 6
2 #A
3 PR 500
4 BGA
5 AM
6 WT 200
```

Hint: Remember to quit the Edit Mode <cntrl> Q prior to giving the LS command. (DOS)

LU

LCD Update

Full Description

Turns the automatic axes status update on the LCD on or off.

Arguments

LUn where

n = 0 Turns off the automatic update of the LCD with the axis status.

n = 1 Sets the LCD in an automatic update mode with the axes status shown below.

A B C D E F G H

m m m m m m m m

where m is the axis status for axes ABCDEFGH and is

I Idle

i Low power Idle

O Motor Off

M Motion - Axis running in independent mode

E Error - Position error exceeded

S Stop - Stopped from ST command

L Limit - Decelerating or stopped by a limit switch

A Abort - Stopped by abort

V Vector - Running in Vector or Linear Interpolation Mode

C Contour - Running in Contour Mode

H Homing - Running in a Homing Routine

e ECAM - Running in ECAM Mode

F Fault - Amplifier Fault

T Stall - Stepper Position Maintenance Mode Stall Detected

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_LU contains the setting of the LU command

Related Commands

MG
Message {Lx}
LB
LCD Bias Contrast
SC
Stop Code

Examples:

```
LU0 Turn the LCD update off  
MG"DMC-40x0" {L1} Send DMC-40x0 to line 1 of the LCD screen  
MG"Galil MC" {L2} Send Galil MC to line 2 of the LCD screen  
LU1 Set the LCD to automatically update the LCD screen with the axis  
status
```

LV

List Variables

Full Description

The LV command returns a listing of all of the program variables in memory. The listing will be in alphabetical order.

Arguments

None

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format VF
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

LA
List Arrays
LS
List Program
LL
List Labels

Examples:

```
: LV  
APPLE = 60.0000  
BOY   = 25.0000  
ZEBRA = 37.0000
```

LZ

Inhibit leading zeros

Full Description

The LZ command is used for formatting the values returned from interrogation commands or interrogation of variables and arrays. By enabling the LZ function, all leading zeros of returned values will be removed.

Arguments

LZ n where

n = 1 Removes leading zeros

n = 0 Does not remove leading zeros.

n = ? Returns the state of the LZ function. '0' does not remove and '1' removes zeros

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 1

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_LZ contains the state of the LZ function. '0' is disabled and '1' is enabled.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
LZ 0          Disable the LZ function
TPA Interrogate the controller for current position of A axis
:0000021645.0000  Value returned by the controller
VAR1=          Request value of variable "VAR1" (previously set to 10)
:0000000010.0000  Value of variable returned by controller
LZ1 Enable LZ function
TPA Interrogate the controller for current position of A axis
:21645.0000 Value returned by the controller
VAR1=          Request value of variable "VAR1" (previously set to 10)
:10.0000      Value of variable returned by controller
```


MB

Modbus

Full Description

The MB command is used to communicate with I/O devices using the first two levels of the Modbus protocol.

The format of the command varies depending on each function code. The function code, -1, designates that the first level of Modbus is used (creates raw packets and receives raw data). The other codes are the 10 major function codes of the second level that the controller supports.

FUNCTION CODE DEFINITION

- 01 Read Coil Status (Read Bits)
- 02 Read Input Status (Read Bits)
- 03 Read Holding Registers (Read Words)
- 04 Read Input Registers (Read Words)
- 05 Force Single Coil (Write One Bit)
- 06 Preset Single Register (Write One Word)
- 07 Read Exception Status (Read Error Code)
- 15 Force Multiple Coils (Write Multiple Bits)
- 16 Preset Multiple Registers (Write Words)
- 17 Report Slave ID

Note: For those command formats that have "addr", this is the slave address. The slave address may be designated or defaulted to the device handle number.

Note: All the formats contain an h parameter. This designates the connection handle number (A thru H).

Arguments

MBh = -1, len, array[] where
len is the number of the bytes
Array[] is the name of array containing data
MBh = addr, 1, m, n, array[] where
m is the starting bit number
n is the number of bits
array[] of which the first element will hold result
MBh = addr, 2, m, n, array[] where
m is the starting bit number
n is the number of bits
array[] of which the first element will hold result
MBh = addr, 3, m, n, array[] where
m is the starting register number

n is the number of registers
array[] will hold the response
MBh = addr, 4, m, n, array[] where
m is the starting register number
n is the number of registers
array[] will hold the response
MBh = addr, 5, m, n where
m is the starting bit number
n is 0 or 1 and represents the coil set to off or on.
MBh = addr, 6, m, n where
m is the register number
n is the 16 bit value
MBh = addr, 7, array[] where
array[] is where the returned data is stored (one byte per element)
MBh = addr, 15, m, n, array[] where
m is the starting bit number
n is the number of bits
array[] contains the data (one byte per element)
MBh = addr, 16, m, n, array[] where
m is the starting register number
n is the number of registers
array[] contains the data (one 16 bit word per element)
MBh = addr, 17, array[] where
array[] is where the returned data is stored

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Note: Port 502 must be used as the Modbus Ethernet handle. See the IH command for more info on how to open a handle with a specific port number.

MC

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

MC

Motion Complete In Position

Full Description

The MC command is a trippoint used to control the timing of events. This command will hold up execution of the following commands until the current move on the specified axis or axes is completed and the encoder reaches or passes the specified position. Any combination of axes may be specified with the MC command. For example, MC AB waits for motion on both the A and B axis to be complete. MC with no parameter specifies that motion on all axes is complete. The command TW sets the timeout to declare an error if the encoder is not in position within the specified time. If a timeout occurs, the trippoint will clear and the stop code will be set to 99. An application program will jump to the special label #MCTIME.

When used in stepper mode, the controller will hold up execution of the proceeding commands until the controller has generated the same number of steps as specified in the commanded position. The actual number of steps that have been generated can be monitored by using the interrogation command TD. Note: The MC command is recommended when operating with stepper motors since the generation of step pulses can be delayed due to the stepper motor smoothing function, KS. In this case, the MC command would only be satisfied after all steps are generated.

Arguments

MC nnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes
No argument specifies that motion on all axes is complete.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

BG
Begin
AM
After Move

TW
Timeout

Examples:

```
#MOVE          ;'Program MOVE
PR 2000,4000   ;'Independent Move on A and B axis
BG AB         ;'Start the B axis
MC AB         ;'After the move is complete on T coordinate system,
MG "DONE"; TP   ;'Print message
EN           ;'End of Program
```

MF

Forward Motion to Position

Full Description

The MF command is a trippoint used to control the timing of events. This command will hold up the execution of the following command until the specified motor moves forward and crosses the position specified*. The units of the command are in quadrature counts. Only one axis may be specified at a time. The MF command only requires an encoder and does not require that the axis be under servo control.

* When using a stepper motor, this condition is satisfied when the stepper position (as determined by the output buffer) has crossed the specified Forward Motion Position. For further information see Chapter 6 of the User Manual "Stepper Motor Operation".

Arguments

MF n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or MFA=n where
n is a signed integer in the range 2147483648 to 2147483647 decimal

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

AR
Trippoint for after Relative Distances
AP
Trippoint for after Absolute Position

Examples:

```
#TEST                                ;'Program Test
DP0                                  ;'Define zero
JG 1000                              ;'Jog mode (speed of 1000 counts/sec)
BG A                                  ;'Begin move
MF 2000                              ;'After passing the position 2000
V1=_TPA                              ;'Assign V1 A position
```

```
MG "Position is", V1      ;'Print Message
ST                        ;'Stop
EN                        ;'End of Program
```

Hint: The accuracy of the MF command is the number of counts that occur in $2 \cdot T_M$ sec. Multiply the speed by $2 \cdot T_M$ sec to obtain the maximum error. MF tests for absolute position. The MF command can also be used when the specified motor is driven independently by an external device.

MG

Message

Full Description

The MG command sends data out the bus. This can be used to alert an operator, send instructions or return a variable value.

Arguments

MG "m", {^n}, V {Fm.n or \$m,n} {N} {Ex} {Pn} {Lx} where

"m" is a text message including letters, numbers, symbols or <ctrl>G (up to 72 characters).

{^n} is an ASCII character specified by the value n

V is a variable name or array element where the following formats can be used:

{Fm.n} Display variable in decimal format with m digits to left of decimal, and n to the right.

{Zm.n} Same as {Fm.n} but suppresses the leading zeros.

{\$m.n} Display variable in hexadecimal format with m digits to left of decimal, and n to the right.

{Sn} Display variable as a string of length n where n is 1 through 6

{N} Suppress carriage return line feed.

{Ex} Sends the message out the Ethernet handle x, where x is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H

{Pn} Sends the message out the Serial port n, where n is 1 or 2 denoting Main or Auxiliary.

{Lx} Sends the message to the LCD, where x is 1 or 2 for the top or bottom line of the LCD. The message cannot be more than 8 characters when sent to the LCD screen, excess characters will not be shown or stored.

The LU command must be set to 0 for user messages sent to the LCD to appear.

Note: Multiple text, variables, and ASCII characters may be used, each must be separated by a comma.

Note: The order of arguments is not important.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format Variable Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

Case 1: Message command displays ASCII strings

MG "Good Morning" Displays the string

Case 2: Message command displays variables or arrays

MG "The Answer is", Total {F4.2} Displays the string with the content of variable 'Total' in local format of 4 digits before and 2 digits after the decimal point.

Case 3: Message command sends any ASCII characters to the port.

MG {^13}, {^10}, {^48}, {^055} displays carriage return and the characters 0 and 7.

MO

Motor Off

Full Description

The MO command shuts off the control algorithm. The controller will continue to monitor the motor position. To turn the motor back on use the Servo Here command (SH).

Arguments

MO nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes.
No argument specifies all axes.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_MOn contains the state of the motor for the specified axis.

Related Commands

SH
Servo Here

Examples:

```
MO Turn off all motors
MOA Turn off the A motor. Leave the other motors unchanged
MOB Turn off the B motor. Leave the other motors unchanged
MOCA Turn off the C and A motors. Leave the other motors
unchanged
SH Turn all motors on
Bob=_MOA Sets Bob equal to the A-axis servo status
Bob= Return value of Bob. If 1, in motor off mode, If 0, in
servo mode
Hint: The MO command is useful for positioning the motors by hand.
Turn them back on with the SH command.
```

MR

Reverse Motion to Position

Full Description

The MR command is a trippoint used to control the timing of events. This command will hold up the execution of the following command until the specified motor moves backward and crosses the position specified*. The units of the command are in quadrature counts. Only one axis may be specified at a time. The MR command only requires an encoder and does not require that the axis be under servo control.

* When using a stepper motor, this condition is satisfied when the stepper position (as determined by the output buffer) has crossed the specified Reverse Motion Position. For further information see Chapter 6 of the User Manual "Stepper Motor Operation".

Arguments

MR n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or MRA=n where
n is a signed integers in the range 2147483648 to 2147483647 decimal

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

AR
Trippoint for Relative Distances
AP
Trippoint for after Absolute Position

Examples:

```
#TEST      ;'Program Test
DP0        ;'Define zero
JG -1000   ;'Jog mode (speed of 1000 counts/sec)
BG A       ;'Begin move
MF -3000   ;'After passing the position -3000
V1=_TPA    ;'Assign V1 A position
```

```
MG "Position is", V1      ;'Print Message
ST ;'Stop
EN ;'End of Program
```

Hint: The accuracy of the MR command is the number of counts that occur in $2 \cdot T_M$ sec. Multiply the speed by $2 \cdot T_M$ sec to obtain the maximum error. MR tests for absolute position. The MR command can also be used when the specified motor is driven independently by an external device.

MT

Motor Type

Full Description

The MT command selects the type of the motor and the polarity of the drive signal. Motor types include standard servomotors, which require a voltage in the range of +/- 10 Volts, and step motors, which require pulse and direction signals. The polarity reversal inverts the analog signals for servomotors, and inverts logic level of the pulse train, for step motors.

Arguments

MT n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or MTA=n where

n = 1 Specifies Servo motor

n = -1 Specifies Servo motor with reversed polarity

n = 1.5 Specifies PWM/Sign servo drive

n = -1.5 Specifies PWM/Sign servo drive with reversed polarity

n = -2 Specifies Step motor with active high step pulses

n = 2 Specifies Step motor with active low step pulses

n = -2.5 Specifies Step motor with reversed direction and active high step pulses

n = 2.5 Specifies Step motor with reversed direction and active low step pulses

n = ? Returns the value of the motor type for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 1,1,1,1

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.1

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_MTn contains the value of the motor type for the specified axis.

Related Commands

CE

Configure encoder type

Examples:

MT 1,-1,2,2 Configure a as servo, b as reverse servo, c and d as
steppers
MT ?,? Interrogate motor type
V=_MTA Assign motor type to variable

MW

Modbus Wait

Full Description

Enabling the MW command causes the controller to hold up execution of the program after sending a Modbus command until a response from the Modbus device has been received. If the response is never received, then the #TCPERR subroutine will be triggered and an error code of 123 will occur on _TC.

Arguments

MWn where
n = 0 Disables the Modbus Wait function
n = 1 Enables the Modbus Wait function

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 1
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

MW? contains the state of the Modbus Wait.
_MW contains returned function code
_MW1 contains returned error code

Related Commands

MB
Modbus

Examples:

```
MW1 Enables Modbus Wait
SB1001      Set Bit 1 on Modbus Handle A
CB1001      Clear Bit 1 on Modbus Handle A
```

NB

Notch Bandwidth

Full Description

The NB command sets real part of the notch poles

Arguments

NB n,n,n,n,n,n,n or NBA=n where
n is ranges from 0 Hz to

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0.5
In a Program Yes Default Format 3.1
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

`_NBn` contains the value of the notch bandwidth for the specified axis.

Related Commands

NF
Notch Filter
NZ
Notch Zeros

Examples:

```
_NBA = 10   Sets the real part of the notch pole to 10/2 Hz  
notch = _NBA   Sets the variable "notch" equal to the notch  
bandwidth value for the A axis
```

NF

Notch Frequency

Full Description

The NF command sets the frequency of the notch filter, which is placed in series with the PID compensation.

Arguments

NF n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or NFA=n where
n ranges from 1 Hz to 1 / (4 . TM) Hz, where TM is the update rate (default TM is 1000).

n = ? Returns the value of the Notch filter for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 3.1
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_NFn contains the value of notch filter for the specified axis.

Related Commands

NB
Notch bandwidth
NZ
Notch Zero

Examples:

NF, 20 Sets the notch frequency of B axis to 20 Hz

NO,'

No Operation

Full Description

The NO or an apostrophe (') command performs no action in a sequence, but can be used as a comment in a program. This helps to document a program.

Arguments

NO m where
m is any group of letters and numbers
up to 77 characters can follow the NO command

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_NO returns a bit field indicating which threads are running. For example, 0 means no threads are running, 1 means only thread 0 is running, 3 means threads 0 and 1 are running, and 255 means all 8 threads are running).

Related Commands

Examples:

```
#A ;'Program A
NO ;'No Operation
NO This Program ;'No Operation
NO Does Absolutely;'No Operation
NO Nothing ;'No Operation
EN ;'End of Program
```

NZ

Notch Zero

Full Description

The NZ command sets the real part of the notch zero.

Arguments

NZ n,n,n,n,n,n,n or NZA=n where

n is ranges from 1 Hz to

n = ? Returns the value of the Notch filter zero for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0.5

In a Program Yes Default Format 3.1

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_NZn contains the value of the Notch filter zero for the specified axis.

Related Commands

NB

Notch Bandwidth

NF

Notch Filter

Examples:

NZA = 10 Sets the real part of the notch pole to 10/2 Hz

OA

Off on encoder failure

Full Description

Turns on or off encoder failure detection. The controller can detect a failure on either or both channels of the encoder. This is accomplished by checking on whether motion of at least 4 counts is detected whenever the torque exceeds a preset level (OV) for a specified time (OT). Note that for this function to work properly it is necessary to have a non-zero value for KI.

The OA command works like the OE command: if OA is set to 1 and an encoder failure occurs, the axis goes into the motor off (MO) state and the stop code (SC) is set to 12.

Arguments

OAn,n,n,n,n,n,n,n where
n is 0 or 1 with 1 enabling this feature.
? returns the last value set

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_OAn contains the OA value for the specified axis.

Related Commands

OT
Off on encoder failure time
OV
Off on encoder failure voltage

Examples:

```
OTX=10      Set time to 10 milliseconds
OVX=5       Set voltage to 5
OAX=1       Enable encoder detection feature
```

OB

Output Bit

Full Description

The OB n, logical expression command defines output bit n as either 0 or 1 depending on the result from the logical expression. Any non-zero value of the expression results in a one on the output.

Arguments

OB n, expression where
n denotes the output bit
expression is any valid logical expression, variable or array element.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
OB 1, POS=1 If POS 1 is non-zero, Bit 1 is high.  
    If POS 1 is zero, Bit 1 is low  
OB 2, @IN[1]&@IN[2] If Input 1 and Input 2 are both high, then  
    Output 2 is set high  
OB 3, COUNT[1]      If the element 1 in the array is zero, clear bit  
3  
OB N, COUNT[1]      If element 1 in the array is zero, clear bit N
```

OC

Output Compare

Full Description

The OC command allows the generation of output pulses based on one (or two for a 5-8 axis controller) of the main encoder positions. For circular compare, the output is a low-going pulse with a duration of approximately 300 nanoseconds and is available at the output compare signal (labeled CMP on the ICM-1900 and ICM-2900). For one shot, the output goes low until OC is called again.

Axes A-D pulses are output on the CMP pin and axes E-H pulses are output on the second CMP pin. Both outputs can be used simultaneously. For both OC compare signals (1-4 axis output and 5-8 axis output) to execute successfully, the beginning pulse position for both commands MUST be within 65535 counts of their current axis positions when the commands are executed.

This function cannot be used with any axis configured for a step motor and the auxiliary encoder of the corresponding axis can not be used while using this function. The OC function requires that the main encoder and auxiliary encoders be configured exactly the same (see the command, CE). For example: CE 0, CE 5, CE 10, CE 15.

Arguments

$OC_x = m, n$ where

$x = A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H$ specifies which encoder input to be used.

$m =$ Absolute position for first pulse. Integer between -2 109 and 2 109

$n =$ Incremental distance between pulses. Integer between -65535 and 65535

0 one shot when moving in the forward direction

-65536 one shot when moving in the reverse direction

OCA = 0 will disable the Circular Compare function on axes A-D.

OCE = 0 will disable the Circular Compare function on axes E-H.

The sign of the parameter, n , will designate the expected direction of motion for the output compare function. When moving in the opposite direction, output compare pulses will occur at the incremental distance of $65536 - |n|$ where $|n|$ is the absolute value of n .

When changing to $CE_x=2$, if the original command was $OC_x=m,n$ and the starting position was $_TP_x$, the new command is $OC_x=2*_TP_x-m,-n$. For pulses to occur under $CE_x=2$, the following conditions must be met: $m > _TP_x$ and $n > 0$ for negative moves (e.g. JG $_x=-1000$) and $m < _TP_x$ and $n < 0$ for positive moves (e.g. JG $_x=1000$)

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_OC contains the state of the OC function
_OC = 0 : OC function has been enabled but not generated any pulses.
_OC = 1: OC function not enables or has generated the first output pulse.
(on a 5-8 axis controller, _OC is a logical AND of axes A-D and E-H)

Related Commands

Examples:

```
OCA=300,100 Select A encoder as position sensor. First pulse at  
300. Following pulses at 400, 500?
```

OE

Off-on-Error

Full Description

The OE command causes the controller to shut off the motor command if a position error TE exceeds the limit specified by the ER command, an abort occurs from either the abort input or on AB command, or a hardware limit switch is tripped, or an amplifier error exists.

If a position error is detected on an axis, and the motion was executing an independent move, only that axis will be shut off. If the motion is a part of coordinated mode of the types VM, LM or CM, all participating axes will be stopped.

Arguments

OE n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or OEA=n where

n = 0 Disables the Off On Error function.

n = 1 Motor shut off (MO) by position error (TE > ER) or abort input

n = 2 Motor shut off (MO) by hardware limit switch

n = 3 Motor shut off (MO) either by position error (TE > ER), hardware limit switch, or abort input

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_OEn contains the status of the off on error function for the specified axis.

Related Commands

AB

Abort

ER

Error limit

SH

Servo Here

#POSERR

Error Subroutine
#LIMSWI
Limit switch automatic subroutine
TA
Tell Amplifier Error

Examples:

OE 1,1,1,1 Enable OE on all axes
OE 0 Disable OE on A-axis; other axes remain unchanged
OE , ,1,1 Enable OE on C-axis and D-axis; other axes remain
unchanged
OE 1,0,1,0 Enable OE on A and C-axis; Disable OE on B and D axis
Hint: The OE command is useful for preventing system damage.

OF

Offset

Full Description

The OF command sets a bias voltage in the motor command output or returns a previously set value. This can be used to counteract gravity or an offset in an amplifier.

Arguments

OF n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or OFA=n where
n is a signed number in the range -9.998 to 9.998 volts with resolution of 0.0003.
n = ? Returns the offset for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_OFn contains the offset for the specified axis.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
OF 1,-2,3,5 Set A-axis offset to 1, the B-axis offset to -2, the C-  
axis to 3, and the D-axis to 5  
OF -3      Set A-axis offset to -3  Leave other axes unchanged  
OF ,0      Set B-axis offset to 0  Leave other axes unchanged  
OF ?,?,?,? Return offsets  
:-3.0000,0.0000,3.0000,5.0000  
OF ?      Return A offset  
:-3.0000  
OF ,?     Return B offset  
:0.0000
```

OP

Output Port

Full Description

The OP command sends data to the output ports of the controller. You can use the output port to control external switches and relays. The arguments of the OP command are the decimal representation of the general output bits 0 through 7. For example, OP255,0 sets all outputs in bank 0 (bits 0-7) high and all outputs in bank 1 (bits 8-15) low.

Arguments

OP m,a,b,c,d where

m is an integer in the range 0 to 65535 decimal, or \$0000 to \$FFFF hexadecimal. (0 to 255 for 4 axes or less). m is the decimal representation of the general output bits. Output 1 through output 8 for controllers with 4 axes or less. Outputs 1 through output 16 for controller with 5 or more axes.

a,b,c,d represent the extended I/O in consecutive groups of 16 bits, (values from 0 to 65535). Arguments which are given for I/O points which are configured as inputs will be ignored. The following table describes the arguments used to set the state of outputs.

Arguments Blocks Bits Description

m 0 1-8 General Outputs (1-4 axes controllers)

0,1 1-16 General Outputs (5-8 axes controllers)

a 2,3 17-32 Extended I/O

b 4,5 33-48 Extended I/O

c 6,7 49-64 Extended I/O

d 8,9 65-80 Extended I/O

n = ? returns the value of the argument, where n is any of the above arguments.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 3.0

Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

_OP0 contains the value of the first argument, m

_OP1 contains the value of the first argument, a

_OP2 contains the value of the first argument, b

_OP3 contains the value of the first argument, c
_OP4 contains the value of the first argument, d

Related Commands

"SB (Binary EA)"
Set output bit
"CB"
Clear output bit
"OB "
Output Byte

Examples:

```
OP 0          Clear Output Port -- all bits
OP $85       Set outputs 1,3,8; clear the others
MG _OP0      Returns the first parameter "m"
MG _OP1      Returns the second parameter "a"
```

OT

Off on encoder failure time

Full Description

Sets the time in samples (milliseconds for TM1000) that the controller will wait for motion after the OV threshold has been exceeded. The controller can detect a failure on either or both channels of the encoder. This is accomplished by checking on whether motion of at least 4 counts is detected whenever the torque exceeds a preset level (OV) for a specified time (OT). Note that for this function to work properly it is necessary to have a non-zero value for KI.

Arguments

OTn,n,n,n,n,n,n,n where
n is the number of samples between 2 and 32000
? returns the last value set

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 30
In a Program Yes Default Format 5.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_OTn contains the OT value for the specified axis.

Related Commands

OA
Off on encoder failure
OV
Off on encoder failure voltage

Examples:

```
OTX=10      Set time to 10 milliseconds (TM1000)
OVX=5       Set voltage to 5
OAX=1       Enable encoder detection feature
```

OV

Off on encoder failure voltage

Full Description

Sets the threshold voltage for detecting an encoder failure. The controller can detect a failure on either or both channels of the encoder. This is accomplished by checking on whether motion of at least 4 counts is detected whenever the torque exceeds a preset level (OV) for a specified time (OT). Note that for this function to work properly it is necessary to have a non-zero value for KI.

The default value for OV is approximately .95 volts. The value should be high enough to guarantee that the motor would overcome any static friction. If it is too low, there will be false triggering of the error condition. The OV value may not be higher than the TL value.

Arguments

OTn,n,n,n,n,n,n,n where
where n is a positive voltage between 0.001 and 9.9 volts.
? returns the last value set

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0.9438
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_OVn contains the OV value for the specified axis.

Related Commands

OA
Off on encoder failure
OV
Off on encoder failure voltage

Examples:

```
OTX=10      Set time to 10 milliseconds  
OVX=5       Set voltage to 5
```

OAX=1 Enable encoder detection feature

P2CD

Serial port 2 code

Full Description

P2CD returns the status of the auxiliary serial port (port 2)

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

P2CH
Serial port 2 character
P2NM
Serial port 2 number
P2ST
Serial port 2 string
CI
Configure #COMINT
CC
Configure serial port 2
#COMINT
Communication interrupt automatic subroutine

Examples:

```
:^R^V  
DMC4040 Rev 1.0  
:^R^S
```

P2CH

Serial port 2 character

Full Description

P2CH returns the last character sent to the auxiliary serial port (port 2)

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

P2CD
Serial port 2 code
P2NM
Serial port 2 number
P2ST
Serial port 2 string
CI
Configure #COMINT
CC
Configure serial port 2
#COMINT
Communication interrupt automatic subroutine

Examples:

```
:^R^V  
DMC4040 Rev 1.0  
:^R^S
```


P2NM

Serial port 2 number

Full Description

P2NM converts from ASCII (e.g. "1234") to binary so that a number can be stored into a variable and math can be performed on it. Numbers from -2147483648 to 2147483647 can be processed.

P2NM returns the last number (followed by carriage return) sent to auxiliary serial port (port 2)

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

P2CD
Serial port 2 code
P2CH
Serial port 2 character
P2ST
Serial port 2 string
CI
Configure #COMINT
CC
Configure serial port 2
#COMINT
Communication interrupt automatic subroutine

Examples:

```
: ^R^V  
DMC4040 Rev 1.0  
: ^R^S
```

P2ST

Serial port 2 string

Full Description

P2ST returns the last string (followed by carriage return) sent to auxiliary serial port (port 2)

NO MORE THAN SIX CHARACTERS CAN BE ACCESSED.

Arguments

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

P2CD
Serial port 2 code
P2CH
Serial port 2 character
P2NM
Serial port 2 number
CI
Configure #COMINT
CC
Configure serial port 2
#COMINT
Communication interrupt automatic subroutine

Examples:

```
:CC 9600,0,1,0  
:MG "TEST" {P2} ;'send a message to the hand terminal  
:MG P2ST {S3} ;'the characters ABC were entered  
ABC
```

PA

Position Absolute

Full Description

The PA command will set the final destination of each axis. The position is referenced to the absolute zero.

Arguments

PA n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or PAA=n where
n is a signed integers in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647 decimal. Units are in encoder counts.

n = ? Returns the commanded position at which motion stopped.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_PAn contains the last commanded position at which motion stopped.

Related Commands

PR
Position relative
SP
Speed
AC
Acceleration
DC
Deceleration
BG
Begin
PF
Position Formatting

Examples:

PA 400,-600,500,200A-axis will go to 400 counts B-axis will go to -
600 counts C-axis will go to 500 counts D-axis will go to 200 counts
BG;AM Execute Motion and Wait for Motion Complete
PA ?,?,?,? Returns the current commanded position after motion has
completed
:400, -600, 500, 200
BG Start the move
PA 700 A-axis will go to 700 on the next move while the
BG B,C and D-axis will travel the previously set relative distance
if the preceding move was a PR move, or will not move if the
preceding move was a PA move.

PF

Position Format

Full Description

The PF command allows the user to format the position numbers such as those returned by TP. The number of digits of integers and the number of digits of fractions can be selected with this command. An extra digit for sign and a digit for decimal point will be added to the total number of digits. If PF is negative, the format will be hexadecimal and a dollar sign will precede the characters. Hex numbers are displayed as 2's complement with the first bit used to signify the sign. If a number exceeds the format, the number will be displayed as the maximum possible positive or negative number (i.e. 999.99, -999, \$8000 or \$7FF).

The PF command can be used to format values returned from the following commands:

BL ? LE ?
DE ? PA ?
DP ? PR ?
EM ? TN ?
FL ? VE ?
IP ? TE
TP

Arguments

PF m.n where

m is an integer between -8 and 10 which represents the number of places preceding the decimal point. A negative sign for m specifies hexadecimal representation.

n is an integer between 0 and 4 which represent the number of places after the decimal point.

n = ? Returns the value of m.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 10.0

In a Program Yes Default Format 2.1

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_PF contains the value of the position format parameter.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
TPX Tell position of X
:0 Default format
PF 5.2 Change format to 5 digits of integers and 2 of fractions
TPX Tell Position
:21.00
PF-5.2 New format. Change format to hexadecimal
TPX Tell Position
:$00015.00 Report in hex
```

PL

Pole

Full Description

The PL command adds a low-pass filter in series with the PID compensation. The digital transfer function of the filter is $(1 - n) / (Z - n)$ and the equivalent continuous filter is $A/(S+A)$ where A is the filter cutoff frequency: $A=(1/T) \ln (1 / n)$ rad/sec and T is the sample time.

To convert from the desired crossover (-3 dB) frequency in Hertz to the value given to PL, use the following formula:

where:

n is the argument given to PL

T is the controller's servo loop sample time in seconds (TM divided by 1,000,000)

fc is the crossover frequency in Hertz

Example: $fc=36\text{Hz}$ $TM=1000$ $n=e^{-0.001 \cdot 36 / 2} = 0.8$

n 0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 0.999

Fc(HZ) 8 (off) 256 145 81 36 0

Arguments

PL n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or PLA=n where

n is a positive number in the range 0 to 0.9999.

n = ? Returns the value of the pole filter for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0.0

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4

Not in a Program Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_PLn contains the value of the pole filter for the specified axis.

Related Commands

KD

Derivative

KP

Proportional

KI
Integral Gain

Examples:

```
PL .95,.9,.8,.822  Set A-axis Pole to 0.95, B-axis to 0.9, C-axis to  
0.8, D-axis pole to 0.822  
PL ?,?,?,?  
:0.9527,0.8997,0.7994,0.8244      Return all Poles  
PL?  
:0.9527      Return A Pole only
```


PR

Position Relative

Full Description

The PR command sets the incremental distance and direction of the next move. The move is referenced with respect to the current position. .

Arguments

PR n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or PRA=n where

n is a signed integer in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647 decimal. Units are in encoder counts

n = ? Returns the current incremental distance for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_PRn contains the current incremental distance for the specified axis.

Related Commands

PA

Position Absolute

BG

Begin

AC

Acceleration

DC

Deceleration

SP

Speed

IP

Increment Position

PF

Position Formatting

Examples:

PR 100,200,300,400 On the next move the A-axis will go 100 counts,
BG the B-axis will go to 200 counts forward, C-axis will go 300
counts and the D-axis will go 400 counts.

PR ?,?,? Return relative distances

:100, 200, 300

PR 500 Set the relative distance for the A axis to 500

BG The A-axis will go 500 counts on the next move while the B-axis
will go its previously set relative distance.

PT

Position Tracking

Full Description

The PT command will place the controller in the position tracking mode. In this mode, the controller will allow the user to issue absolute position commands on the fly. The motion profile is trapezoidal with the parameters controlled by acceleration, deceleration, and speed (AD, DC, SP). The absolute position may be specified such that the axes will begin motion, continue in the same direction, reverse directions, or decelerate to a stop. When an axis is in the special mode, the ST command, will exit the mode. The PA command is used to give the controller an absolute position target. Motion commands other than PA are not supported in this mode.

Arguments

PT n,n,n,n,n,n,n
n=0 or 1 where 1 designates the controller is in the special mode.
n=? returns the current setting

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

PA
Position Absolute
AC
Acceleration
DC
Deceleration
SP
Speed

Examples:

#A

```

PT1,1,1,1 ;'Enable the position tracking mode for axes X, Y, Z,
and W
#LOOP      ;'Create label #LOOP in a program. This small program
will ;'update the absolute position at 100 Hz. Note that the ;'user
must update the variables V1, V2, V3 and V4 from the ;'host PC, or
another thread operating on the controller.
PAV1,V2,V3,V4 ;'Command XYZW axes to move to absolute
positions. Motion ;'begins when the command is processed. BG is
not required ;'to begin motion in this mode. In this example, it is
;'assumed that the user is updating the variables at a ;'specified
rate. The controller will update the new ;'target position every 10
milliseconds (WT10).
WT10      ;'Wait 10 milliseconds
JP#LOOP   ;'Repeat by jumping back to label LOOP

```

Special Notes: The AM, and MC trip points are not valid in this mode. It is recommended to use MF and MR as trip points with this command, as they allow the user to specify both the absolute position, and the direction. The AP trip point may also be used.

PV

PVT Data

Full Description

The PV command is used to enter PVT data into the PVT buffer by specifying the target position, velocity, and delta time. For more details on PVT mode of motion see the user manual.

Arguments

PVa=p,v,t where

a specifies the axis

p is the relative target position specified in counts. $-11,000,000 < p < 11,000,000$.

v is the target velocity specified in counts per second. $-22,000,000 < v < 22,000,000$.

Integer values only for p and v

t is the time to achieve target position and velocity. t is in even samples $2 < t < 2048$. If $t=0$ then the PVT mode is exited. If $t = -1$ the PVT buffer is cleared. t is in samples and sample time is defined by TM (With a default TM of 1000, 1024 samples is 1 second). If t is omitted then the previous value is used.

Defaults

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-40x0

Usage

_PVa contains the number of spaces available in the PT buffer for each axis.

Related Commands

BT Begin PVT Motion

Examples

```
PVX=100,200,256 ;'Command X axis to go 100 counts and  
reach a speed of 200 in 256 samples
```

```
PVY=-50,500,100          ;'Command Y axis to go -50 counts and
reach a speed of 500 in 100 samples
PVY=-100,-100,510      ;'Command Y axis to go -150 counts and reach a
speed of -100 in 510 samples
PVX=200,200,50          ;'Command X axis to go 300 counts and
reach a speed of 200 in 50 samples
PVX=300,0,50            ;'Command X axis to go 600 counts and
reach a speed of 0 in 50 samples
PVY=300,0,50            ;'Command Y axis to go 150 counts and
reach a speed of 0 in 50 samples
PVY=,,0                 ;'Exit PVT mode on Y axis
PVX=,,0                 ;'Exit PVT mode on X axis
BTXY                    ;'Begin PVT on X and Y axis
EN                       ;'End program
```

PW

Password

Full Description

The password can be set with the command PW password,password where the password can be up to 8 alphanumeric characters. The default value after master reset is a null string. The password can only be changed when the controller is in the unlocked state (^L^K). The password is burnable but cannot be interrogated. If you forget the password you must master reset the controller to gain access.

Arguments

PW n,n where
n is a string from 0 to 8 characters in length

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value "" (null string)
In a Program No Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

<control>L<control>K
Lock/Unlock
ED
Edit program
UL
Upload program
LS
List program
TR
Trace program

Examples:

```
:PWtest,test      Set password to "test"  
:^L^K test,1     Lock the program  
:ED Attempt to edit program
```

QD

Download Array

Full Description

The QD command transfers array data from the host computer to the controller. QD array[], start, end requires that the array name be specified along with the index of the first element of the array and the index of the last element of the array. The array elements can be separated by a comma (,) or by <CR> <LF>. The downloaded array is terminated by a \.

Arguments

QD array[],start,end where
array[] is valid array name
start is index of first element of array (default=0)
end is index of last element of array (default = size-1)

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value start=0, end=size-1
In a Program No Default Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

QU

Upload array

HINT:

Using Galil terminal software, the command can be used in the following manner:

1. Set the timeout to 0
2. Send the command QD
- 3a. Use the send file command to send the data file.

OR

- 3b. Enter data manually from the terminal. End the data entry with the character '\'

QH

Examples:

QH

Hall State

Full Description

The QH command transmits the state of the Hall sensor inputs. The value is decimal and represents an 8 bit value.

Bit Status

07 Undefined (set to 0)

06 Undefined (set to 0)

05 Undefined (set to 0)

04 Undefined (set to 0)

03 Undefined (set to 0)

02 Hall C State

01 Hall B State

00 Hall A State

Arguments

QHn returns the Hall sensor input byte where
n=A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-40x0-D430x0

Operand Usage

_QHn Contains the state of the Hall sensor inputs

Related Commands

PA

Position Absolute

BS

Brushless Setup

EXAMPLE:

QHY

:6 Hall inputs B and C active on Y axis

QR

Examples:

QR

I O Data Record

Full Description

The QR command causes the controller to return a record of information regarding controller status. This status information includes 4 bytes of header information and specific blocks of information as specified by the command arguments. The details of the status information is described in Chapter 4 of the user's manual.

Arguments

QR nnnnnnnnnn where

n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,S,T, or I or any combination to specify the axis, axes, sequence, or I/O status

S and T represent the S and T coordinated motion planes

I represents the status of the I/O

Chapter 4 of the users manual provides the definition of the data record information.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Note: The Galil windows terminal will not display the results of the QR command since the results are in binary format.

QS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

QS

Error Magnitude

Full Description

The QS command reports the magnitude of error, in step counts, for axes in Stepper Position Maintenance mode. A step count is directly proportional to the resolution of the step drive.

Arguments

QS nnnnnnnn or QSn = ? where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

_QSn contains the error magnitude in drive step counts for the given axis.

Related Commands

YA
Step Drive Resolution
YB
Step Motor Resolution
YC
Encoder Resolution
YR
Error Correction
YS
Stepper Position Maintenance Mode Enable, Status

Examples:

1. For an SDM-44140 microstepping drive, query the error of B axis:
:QSB=?
:253 This shows 253 step counts of error. The SDM-44140 resolution is 64 microsteps per full motor step, nearly four full motor steps of error.
2. Query the value of all axes:

:QS
:0,253,0,0,0,0,0,0 Response shows all axes error values

QU

Upload Array

Full Description

The QU command transfers array data from the controller to a host computer. The QU requires that the array name be specified along with the first element of the array and last element of the array. The uploaded array will be followed by a <control>Z as an end of text marker.

Arguments

QU array[,start,end,delim where
"array[]" is a valid array name
"start" is the first element of the array (default=0)
"end" is the last element of the array (default = last element)
"delim" specifies the character used to delimit the array elements. If delim is 1, then the array elements will be separated by a comma. Otherwise, the elements will be separated by a carriage return.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

QD
Download array

QZ

Examples:

QZ

Return Data Record information

Full Description

The QZ command is an interrogation command that returns information regarding data record transfers. The controller's response to this command will be the return of 4 integers separated by commas. The four fields represent the following:

First field returns the number of axes.

Second field returns the number of bytes to be transferred for general status

Third field returns the number bytes to be transferred for coordinated move status

Fourth field returns the number of bytes to be transferred for axis specific information

Arguments

QZ

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value ---

In a Program Yes Default Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

DR

Ethernet data record update rate

RA

Examples:

RA

Record Array

Full Description

The RA command selects one through eight arrays for automatic data capture. The selected arrays must be dimensioned by the DM command. The data to be captured is specified by the RD command and time interval by the RC command.

Arguments

RA n [],m [],o [],p [] RA n[],m[],o[],p[],q[],r[],s[],t[] where n,m,o and p are dimensioned arrays as defined by DM command. The [] contain nothing.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

DM
Dimension Array
RD
Record Data
RC
Record Interval

Examples:

```
#Record      ;'Label
DM POS[100] ;'Define array
RA POS[]    ;'Specify Record Mode
RD _TPA     ;'Specify data type for record
RC 1        ;'Begin recording at 2 msec intervals
PR 1000;BG  ;'Start motion
EN ;'End
```

Hint: The record array mode is useful for recording the real-time motor position during motion. The data is automatically captured in the background and does not interrupt the program sequencer. The record mode can also be used for a teach or learn of a motion path.

RC

Record

Full Description

The RC command begins recording for the Automatic Record Array Mode (RA). RC 0 stops recording .

Arguments

RC n,m where

n is an integer 1 thru 8 and specifies 2n samples between records. RC 0 stops recording.

m is optional and specifies the number of records to be recorded. If m is not specified, the DM number will be used. A negative number for m causes circular recording over array addresses 0 to m-1. The address for the array element for the next recording can be interrogated with _RD.

n = ? Returns status of recording. '1' if recording, '0' if not recording.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_RC contains status of recording. '1' if recording, '0' if not recording.

Related Commands

DM

Dimension Array

RD

Record Data

QZ

Record Array Mode

Examples:

```
#RECORD      ;'Record
DM Torque[1000] ;'Define Array
```

```
RA Torque[] ;'Specify Record Mode
RD _TTA      ;'Specify Data Type
RC 2         ;'Begin recording and set 4 msec between records
JG 1000;BG   ;'Begin motion
#A;JP #A,_RC=1 ;'Loop until done
MG "DONE RECORDING" ;'Print message
EN ;'End program
```

RD

Record Data

Full Description

The RD command specifies the data type to be captured for the Record Array (RA) mode. The command type includes:

_AFn Analog Input Value (+32767 to -32768). The analog inputs are limited to those which correspond to an axis on the controller.

_DEn 2nd encoder

_OP Outputs

_RLn Latched position

_SCn Stop code

_SHn Commanded Position

_TDn Stepper Position

_TEn Position Error

_TI Inputs

TIME Time in servo sample as read by the TIME command

_TPn Position

_TSn Switches, only 0-3 bits valid

_TTn Tell torque (Note: the values recorded for torque are in the range of +/- 32767 where 0 is 0 torque, -32767 is -10 volt command output, and +32767 is +10 volt.

where 'n' is the axis specifier, A?H

Arguments

RD m1, m2, m3, m4, m5, m6, m7, m8 where

the arguments are data types to be captured using the record Array feature. The order is important. Each data type corresponds with the array specified in the RA command.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_RD contains the address for the next array element for recording.

Related Commands

RA
Record Array
RC
Record Interval
DM
Dimension Array

Examples:

```
DM ERRORA[50],ERRORB[50]  Define array
RA ERRORA[],ERRORB[ ]    Specify record mode
RD _TEA,_TEB              Specify data type
RC1 Begin record
JG 1000;BG Begin motion
```

RE

Return from Error Routine

Full Description

The RE command is used to end a position error handling subroutine or limit switch handling subroutine. The error handling subroutine begins with the #POSERR label. The limit switch handling subroutine begins with the #LIMSWI. An RE at the end of these routines causes a return to the main program. Care should be taken to be sure the error or limit switch conditions no longer occur to avoid re-entering the subroutines. If the program sequencer was waiting for a trippoint to occur, prior to the error interrupt, the trippoint condition is preserved on the return to the program if RE1 is used. A motion trippoint such as MF or MR requires the axis to be actively profiling in order to be restored with RE1. RE0 clears the trippoint. To avoid returning to the main program on an interrupt, use the ZS command to zero the subroutine stack.

Arguments

RE n where
n = 0 Clears the interrupted trippoint
n = 1 Restores state of trippoint
no argument clears the interrupted trippoint

Usage

While Moving No Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

#POSERR
Error Subroutine
#LIMSWI
Limit Subroutine

Examples:

```
#A;JP #A;EN ;'Label for main program
```

```
#POSERR      ;'Begin Error Handling Subroutine
MG "ERROR"   ;'Print message
SB1          ;'Set output bit 1
RE          ;'Return to main program and clear trippoint
```

REM

Remark

Full Description

REM is used for comments. The REM statement is NOT a controller command. Rather, it is recognized by Galil PC software, which strips away the REM lines before downloading the DMC file to the controller. REM differs from NO (or ') in the following ways:

- (1) NO comments are downloaded to the controller and REM comments aren't
- (2) NO comments take up execution time and REM comments don't; therefore, REM should be used for code that needs to run fast.
- (3) REM comments cannot be recovered when uploading a program but NO comments are recovered. Thus the uploaded program is less readable with REM.
- (4) NO comments take up program line space and REM lines don't.
- (5) REM comments must be the first and only thing on a line, whereas NO can be used to place comments to the right of code on the same line.

NO (or ') should be used instead of REM unless speed or program space is an issue.

Arguments

REM n where
n is a text string comment

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL

Operand Usage

Related Commands

NO (' apostrophe also accepted)
No operation (comment)

Examples:

RI

Return from Interrupt Routine

Full Description

The RI command is used to end the interrupt subroutine beginning with the label #ININT. An RI at the end of this routine causes a return to the main program. The RI command also re-enables input interrupts. If the program sequencer was interrupted while waiting for a trippoint, such as WT, RI1 restores the trippoint on the return to the program. A motion trippoint such as MF or MR requires the axis to be actively profiling in order to be restored with RI1. RI0 clears the trippoint. To avoid returning to the main program on an interrupt, use the command ZS to zero the subroutine stack. This turns the jump subroutine into a jump only.

Arguments

RI n where
n = 0 Clears the interrupted trippoint
n = 1 Restores state of trippoint
no argument clears the interrupted trippoint

Usage

While Moving No Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line No
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

#ININT
Input interrupt subroutine
II
Enable input interrupts

Examples:

```
#A;III;JP #A;EN      ;'Program label  
#ININT              ;'Begin interrupt subroutine  
MG "INPUT INTERRUPT"      ;'Print Message  
SB 1                ;'Set output line 1  
RI 1                ;'Return to the main program and restore trippoint
```


RL

Report Latched Position

Full Description

The RL command will return the last position captured by the latch. The latch must first be armed by the AL command and then a 0 must occur on the appropriate input.

Each axis uses a specific general input for the latch input:

X (A) axis latch Input 1

Y (B) axis latch Input 2

Z (C) axis latch Input 3

W (D) axis latch Input 4

E axis latch Input 9

F axis latch Input 10

G axis latch Input 11

H axis latch Input 12

The armed state of the latch can be configured using the CN command.

Note: The Latch Function works with the main encoder. When working with a stepper motor without an encoder, the latch can be used to capture the stepper position. To do this, place a wire from the controller Step (PWM) output into the main encoder input, channel A+. Connect the Direction (sign) output into the channel B+ input. Configure the main encoder for Step/Direction using the CE command. The latch will now capture the stepper position based on the pulses generated by the controller.

Arguments

RL nnnnnnnnnn where

n is X,Y,Z,W,A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_RLn contains the latched position of the specified axis.

RELATED COMMAND:

AL

Arm Latch

Related Commands

Examples:

```
JG ,5000    Set up to jog the B-axis
BGB Begin jog
ALB Arm the B latch; assume that after about 2 seconds, input goes
low
RLB Report the latch
:10000
```

RP

Reference Position

Full Description

This command returns the commanded reference position of the motor(s).

Arguments

RP nnnnnnnnnn where

n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,M or N, or any combination to specify the axis or axes`

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_RPn contains the commanded reference position for the specified axis.

RELATED COMMAND:

TP

Tell Position

Note: The relationship between RP, TP and TE: TEA equals the difference between the reference position, RPA, and the actual position, TPA.

Related Commands

Examples:

Assume that ABC and D axes are commanded to be at the positions 200, -10, 0, -110 respectively. The returned units are in quadrature counts.

RS

Reset

Full Description

The RS command resets the state of the processor to its power-on condition. The previously saved state of the hardware, along with parameter values and saved program, are restored.

RS-1 Soft master reset. Restores factory defaults without erasing EEPROM. To restore saved EEPROM settings use RS with no arguments.

Arguments

Usage

In a Program No
Command Line Yes
Can be Interrogated Yes
Used as an Operand Yes

Operand Usage

_RS returns the state of the processor on its last power-up condition. The value returned is the decimal equivalent of the 4 bit binary value shown below.

Bit 3 For master reset error (there should be no program to execute)

Bit 2 For program check sum error

Bit 1 For parameter check sum error

Bit 0 For variable check sum error

Related Commands

Examples:

```
RS      Reset the hardware
```

SA

Send Command

Full Description

SA sends a command from one controller to another via Ethernet.

NOTE: A wait statement (e.g. WT5) must be inserted between successive calls to SA.

Arguments

SAh=arg or SAh=arg, arg, arg, arg, arg, arg, arg, where
h is the handle being used to send commands to the slave controller.
arg is a number, controller operand, variable, mathematical function, or string; The range for numeric values is 4 bytes of integer (231) followed by two bytes of fraction (+/-2,147,483,647.9999). The maximum number of characters for a string is 38 characters. Strings are identified by quotations.
Typical usage would have the first argument as a string such as "KI" and the subsequent arguments as the arguments to the command: Example SAF="KI", 1, 2 would send the command: KI1,2

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -----
In a Program Yes Default Format -----
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_SAhn gives the value of the response to the command sent with an SA command. The h value represents the handle A thru H and the n value represents the specific field returned from the controller (0-7). If the specific field is not used, the operand will be -2^31.

RELATED COMMAND:

MG

Display messages

IH

Opens handle

Related Commands

Examples:

```

#A
IHA=10,0,0,12      ;'Configures handle A to be connected to a
controller with ;'the IP address 10.0.0.12
#B;JP#B,_IHA2<>-2  ;'Wait for connection
SAA="KI", 1, 2     ;'Sends the command to handle A (slave
controller): KI 1,2
WT5
SAA="TE"          ;'Sends the command to handle A (slave controller): TE
WT5
MG_SAA0          ;'Display the content of the operand_SAA (first response
to ;'TE command)
: 132            --response from controller--
MG_SAA1          ;'Display the content of the operand_SAA (2nd response
to TE ;'command)
: 12             --response from controller--
SAA="TEMP=",16    ;'Sets variable temp equal to 16 on handle A
controller
EN ;'End Program

```

SB

Set Bit

Full Description

The SB command sets one of the output bits.

Arguments

SB n where
n is an integer which represents a specific controller output bit to be set high (output = 1).

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS
RELATED COMMAND
CB
Clear Bit

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
SB 5      Set output line 5  
SB 1      Set output line 1
```

SC

Stop Code

Full Description

The Stop Code command returns a number indicating why a motor has stopped. The controller responds with a number interpreted as follows:

Stop Code Table

Stop Code Number	Meaning
0	Motors are running, independent mode
1	Motors decelerating or stopped at commanded independent position
2	Decelerating or stopped by FWD limit switch or soft limit FL
3	Decelerating or stopped by REV limit switch or soft limit BL
4	Decelerating or stopped by Stop Command (ST)
6	Stopped by Abort input
7	Stopped by Abort command (AB)
8	Decelerating or stopped by Off on Error (OE1)
9	Stopped after finding edge (FE)
10	Stopped after finding edge (FE)
11	Stopped by selective abort input
12	Decelerating or stopped by encoder failure (OA1) (DMC-40x0/18x6)
15	Amplifier Fault (DMC-40x0)
16	Stepper position maintenance error
30	Running in PVT mode
31	PVT mode completed normally
32	PVT mode exited because buffer is empty
50	Contour Running
51	Contour Stop
99	MC timeout
100	Motors are running, Vector Sequence
101	Motors stopped at commanded vector

Arguments

SC nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes

Usage

Usage and Default Details

Usage	Value
While Moving (no RIO)	Yes
In a Program	Yes
Command Line	Yes
Default Value	N/A
Default Format	3.0

Operand Usage

_SCn contains the value of the stop code for the specified axis.

Related Commands

LU LCD Update

Examples:

Tom =_SCD Assign the Stop Code of D to variable Tom

SD

Switch Deceleration

Full Description

The Limit Switch Deceleration command (SD) sets the linear deceleration rate of the motors when a limit switch has been reached. The parameters will be rounded down to the nearest factor of 1024 and have units of counts per second squared.

Arguments

SD n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or SDA=n where
n is an unsigned numbers in the range 1024 to 1073740800
n = ? Returns the deceleration value for the specified axes.

Usage

While Moving Yes* Default Value 256000
In a Program Yes Default Format 10.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS
* SD command cannot be specified while moving.

Operand Usage

_SDn contains the deceleration rate for the specified axis.

Related Commands

AC
Acceleration
DC
Deceleration
PR
Position Relative
PA
Position Absolute
SP
Speed

Examples:

```
PR 10000 Specify position
```

AC 2000000 Specify acceleration rate
DC 1000000 Specify deceleration rate
SD 5000000 Specify Limit Switch Deceleration Rate
SP 5000 Specify slew speed
Note: The SD command may be changed during the move in JG move, but
not in PR or PA move.

SH

Servo Here

Full Description

The SH commands tells the controller to use the current motor position as the command position and to enable servo control here.

This command can be useful when the position of a motor has been manually adjusted following a motor off (MO) command.

Arguments

SH nnnnnnnnnn where

n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes

Usage

While Moving No Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

MO

Motor-off

Examples:

SH Servo A,B,C,D motors

SHA Only servo the A motor, the B,C and D motors remain in its previous state.

SHB Servo the B motor; leave the A,C and D motors unchanged

SHC Servo the C motor; leave the A,B and D motors unchanged

SHD Servo the D motor; leave the A,B and C motors unchanged

Note: The SH command changes the coordinate system. Therefore, all position commands given prior to SH, must be repeated. Otherwise, the controller produces incorrect motion.

SL

Single Step

Full Description

For debugging purposes. Single Step through the program after execution has paused at a breakpoint (BK). Optional argument allows user to specify the number of lines to execute before pausing again. The BK command resumes normal program execution.

Arguments

SL n where
n is an integer representing the number of lines to execute before pausing again

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 1
In a Program No
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

BK
Breakpoint
TR
Trace

Examples:

```
BK 3          Pause at line 3 (the 4th line) in thread 0
BK 5          Continue to line 5
SL Execute the next line
SL 3          Execute the next 3 lines
BK Resume normal execution
```

SM

Subnet Mask

Full Description

The SM command assigns a subnet mask to the controller. All packets sent to the controller whose source IP address is not on the subnet will be ignored by the controller. For example, for SM 255, 255, 0, 0 and IA 10, 0, 51, 1, only packets from IP addresses of the form 10.0.xxx.xxx will be accepted.

Arguments

SM sm0, sm1, sm2, sm3 or SM n where
sm0, sm1, sm2, sm3 are 1 byte numbers (0 to 255) separated by commas and represent the individual fields of the subnet mask.
n is the subnet mask for the controller, which is specified as an integer representing the signed 32 bit number (two's complement).
SM? will return the subnet mask of the controller

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value SM 0, 0, 0, 0
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

_SM0 contains the subnet mask representing a 32 bit signed number (Two's complement)

Related Commands

IH
Internet Handle
IA
IP address

Examples:

```
SM 255, 255, 255, 255      Ignore all incoming Ethernet packets
SM 0, 0, 0, 0              Process all incoming Ethernet packets
```

SP

Speed

Full Description

This command sets the slow speed of any or all axes for independent moves.
Note: Negative values will be interpreted as the absolute value.

Arguments

SP n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or SPA=n where
n is an unsigned even number in the range 0 to 22,000,000 for servo motors. The units are encoder counts per second.
OR
n is an unsigned number in the range 0 to 6,000,000 for stepper motors
n = ? Returns the speed for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 25000
In a Program Yes Default Format 8.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_SPn contains the speed for the specified axis.

Related Commands

AC
Acceleration
DC
Deceleration
PA
Position Absolute
PR
Position Relative
BG
Begin

Examples:

PR 2000,3000,4000,5000 Specify a,b,c,d parameter
SP 5000,6000,7000,8000 Specify a,b,c,d speeds
BG Begin motion of all axes
Note: For vector moves, use the vector speed command (VS) to change
the speed. SP is not a "mode" of motion like JOG (JG).

ST

Stop

Full Description

The ST command stops motion on the specified axis. Motors will come to a decelerated stop. If ST is sent from the host without an axis specification, program execution will stop in addition to motion.

Arguments

ST nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,M,N,S or T or any combination to specify the axis or sequence. If the specific axis or sequence is specified, program execution will not stop.

No argument will stop motion on all axes.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

BG
Begin Motion
AB
Abort Motion
DC
Deceleration rate

Examples:

```
ST A          Stop A-axis motion
ST S          Stop coordinated sequence
ST ABCD       Stop A,B,C,D motion
ST Stop ABCD motion
ST SCD        Stop coordinated AB sequence, and C and D motion
Hint: Use the after motion complete command, AM, to wait for motion
to be stopped.
```

TA

Tell Amplifier error status

Full Description

The command returns the amplifier error status. The value is decimal and represents an 8 bit value. Bit 7 is most significant bit, 0 is least.

Tell Amplifier Error Bit Definition

	TA0	TA1	TA2	TA3	
BIT #:	STATUS:	STATUS:	STATUS:	STATUS:	BIT #
7	Under Voltage (E-H Axes) **	Hall Error H Axis *	Peak Current H Axis	0	7
6	Over Temperature (E-H Axes) **	Hall Error G Axis *	Peak Current G Axis	0	6
5	Over Voltage (E-H Axes) *	Hall Error F Axis *	Peak Current F Axis	0	5
4	Over Current (E-H Axes) ***	Hall Error E Axis *	Peak Current E Axis	0	4
3	Under Voltage (A-D Axes) **	Hall Error D Axis *	Peak Current D Axis	0	3
2	Over Temperature (A-D Axes) **	Hall Error C Axis *	Peak Current C Axis	0	2
1	Over Voltage (A-D Axes) *	Hall Error B Axis *	Peak Current B Axis	ELO Active (E-H Axes) ****	1
0	Over Current (A-D Axes) ***	Hall Error A Axis *	Peak Current A Axis	ELO Active (A-D Axes) ****	0

* Valid for AMP-43040 (-D3040)

** Valid for AMP-43040 (-D3040) & SDM-44140 (-D4140)

*** Valid for AMP-43140 (-D3140) & Valid for SDM-44140 (-D4140) & Valid for SDM-44040 (-D4040)

**** Valid for AMP-43040 (-D3040) & Valid for AMP-43140 (-D3140) & Valid for SDM-44140 (-D4140) & Valid for SDM-44040 (-D4040)

Hint: If your Brushed-type servo motor is disabling and TA1 shows a hall error, try using the BR command to set that axis as a Brushed axis, causing the controller to ignore invalid Hall states.

Arguments

TA n returns the amplifier error status where n is 0,1,2, or 3

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-40x0 with -D30x0, -D4040, -D4140; DMC-21x3 with AMP-204x0, AMP-205x0, or SDM 206x0

Operand Usage

_TAn Contains the Amplifier error status

Related Commands

#AMPERR Amplifier Error Automatic Subroutine

BR Brush Axis Configuration

QH Hall State

Examples:

```
TA1
:5 Hall Error for Axis A and C
```

TB

Tell Status Byte

Full Description

The TB command returns status information from the controller as a decimal number. Each bit of the status byte denotes the following condition when the bit is set (high):

BIT STATUS

Bit 7 Executing application program

Bit 6 N/A

Bit 5 Contouring

Bit 4 Executing error or limit switch routine

Bit 3 Input interrupt enabled

Bit 2 Executing input interrupt routine

Bit 1 N/A

Bit 0 Echo on

Arguments

TB ? returns the status byte

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format 3.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TB Contains the status byte

Related Commands

Examples:

TB?

:65 Data Record Active and Echo is on (26 + 20 = 64 + 1 = 65)

TC

Tell Error Code

Full Description

The TC command returns a number between 1 and 255. This number is a code that reflects why a command was not accepted by the controller. This command is useful when the controller halts execution of a program or when the response to a command is a question mark. After TC has been read, the error code is set to zero.

TC1 will return the error code, along with a human-readable description of the code.

Tell Code List

Tell Code Number	Description
1	Unrecognized command
2	Command only valid from program
3	Command not valid in program
4	Operand error
5	Input buffer full
6	Number out of range
7	Command not valid while running (no RIO)
8	Command not valid while not running (no RIO)
9	Variable error
10	Empty program line or undefined label
11	Invalid label or line number
12	Subroutine more than 16 deep
13	JG only valid when running in jog mode (no RIO)
14	EEPROM check sum error
15	EEPROM write error
16	IP incorrect sign during position move or IP given during forced deceleration (no RIO)
17	ED, BN and DL not valid while program running
18	Command not valid when contouring (no RIO)
19	Application strand already executing
20	Begin not valid with motor off (no RIO)
21	Begin not valid while running (no RIO)
22	Begin not possible due to Limit Switch (no RIO)

24	Begin not valid because no sequence defined (no RIO)
25	Variable not given in IN command
28	S operand not valid (no RIO)
29	Not valid during coordinated move (no RIO)
30	Sequencet Segment Too Short (no RIO)
31	Total move distance in a sequence > 2 billion (no RIO)
32	More than 511 segments in a sequence (no RIO)
33	VP or CR commands cannot be mixed with LI commands (no RIO)
39	No Time Specified in PV command
41	Contouring record range error (no RIO)
42	Contour data being sent too slowly (no RIO)
46	Gear axis both master and follower (no RIO)
50	Not enough fields
51	Question mark not valid
52	Missing " or string too long
53	Error in { }
54	Question mark part of string
55	Missing [or []
56	Array index invalid or out of range
57	Bad function or array
58	Bad command response (i.e. _GNX)
59	Mismatched parentheses
60	Download error - line too long or too many lines
61	Duplicate or bad label
62	Too many labels
63	IF statement without ENDIF
65	IN command must have a comma
66	Array space full
67	Too many arrays or variables
71	IN only valid in thread #0
80	Record mode already running
81	No array or source specified
82	Undefined Array
83	Not a valid number
84	Too many elements
90	Only A B C D valid operand (no RIO)
96	SM jumper needs to be installed for stepper motor operation (no Accelera, no RIO)

97	Bad Binary Command Format
98	Binary Commands not valid in application program
99	Bad binary command number
100	Not valid when running ECAM (no RIO)
101	Improper index into ET (no RIO)
102	No master axis defined for ECAM (no RIO)
103	Master axis modulus greater than 256 EP value (no RIO)
104	Not valid when axis performing ECAM (no RIO)
105	EB1 command must be given first (no RIO)
106	Privilege Violation (no Econo, Optima)
110	No hall effect sensors detected (no RIO)
111	Must be made brushless by BA command (no RIO)
112	BZ command timeout (no RIO)
113	No movement in BZ command (no RIO)
114	BZ command runaway (no RIO)
118	Controller has GL1600 not GL1800 (no RIO)
119	Not valid for axis configured as stepper
120	Bad Ethernet transmit
121	Bad Ethernet packet received
122	Ethernet input buffer overrun
123	TCP lost sync
124	Ethernet handle already in use
125	No ARP response from IP address
126	Closed Ethernet handle
127	Illegal Modbus function code
128	IP address not valid
130	Illegal IOC command
131	Serial Port Timeout
132	Analog inputs not present
133	Command not valid when locked / Handle must be UDP
134	All motors must be in MO for this command (no RIO)
135	Motor must be in MO (no RIO)
136	Invalid Password (DMC-40x0/18x6/RIO)
137	Invalid lock setting
138	Passwords not identical

Arguments

TC n where

n = 0 Returns numerical code only

n = 1 Returns numerical code and human-readable message

n = ? Returns the error code

Usage

Usage Details

Usage	Value
While Moving	Yes
In a Program	Yes
Not in a program	Yes
Default Value	N/A
Default Format	3.0

Operand Usage

_TC contains the value of the error code.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
:GF32    Bad command
?TC1     Tell error code
1        Unrecognized command
```


TD

Tell Dual Encoder

Full Description

The TD command returns the current position of the dual (auxiliary) encoder(s). Auxiliary encoders are not available for stepper axes or for the axis where output compare is used.

When operating with stepper motors, the TD command returns the number of counts that have been output by the controller.

Arguments

TD nnnnnnnnnn where

n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes

No argument will provide the dual encoder position for all axes

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format

Not in a Program Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TDn contains value of dual encoder register.

Related Commands

DE

Dual Encoder

Examples:

```
:TD Return A,B,C,D Dual encoders
200, -10, 0, -110
TDA Return the A motor Dual encoder
200
DUAL=_TDA Assign the variable, DUAL, the value of TDA
```

TE

Tell Error

Full Description

:
This command returns the current position error of the motor(s). The range of possible error is 2147483647. The Tell Error command is not valid for step motors since they operate open-loop.

Arguments

TE nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes
No argument will provide the position error for all axes

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format
Not in a Program Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TE_n contains the current position error value for the specified axis.

Related Commands

OE
Off On Error
ER
Error Limit
#POSERR
Error Subroutine
PF
Position Formatting

Examples:

```
TE Return all position errors  
:5, -2, 0, 6  
TEA Return the A motor position error
```

:5

TEB Return the B motor position error

:-2

Error =_TEA Sets the variable, Error, with the A-axis position error

Hint: Under normal operating conditions with servo control, the position error should be small. The position error is typically largest during acceleration.

TH

Tell Ethernet Handle

Full Description

The TH command is used to request the controllers' handle status. Data returned from this command indicates the IP address and Ethernet address of the current controller. This data is followed by the status of each handle indicating connection type and IP address.

Arguments

None

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -----
In a Program Yes Default Format -----
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

IH
Internet Handle
WH
Which Handle

Examples:

```
:TH ;'Tell current handle configuration
CONTROLLER IP ADDRESS 10,51,0,87 ETHERNET ADDRESS 00-50-4C-08-01-1F
IHA TCP PORT 1050 TO IP ADDRESS 10,51,0,89 PORT 1000
IHB TCP PORT 1061 TO IP ADDRESS 10,51,0,89 PORT 1001
IHC TCP PORT 1012 TO IP ADDRESS 10,51,0,93 PORT 1002
IHD TCP PORT 1023 TO IP ADDRESS 10,51,0,93 PORT 1003
IHE TCP PORT 1034 TO IP ADDRESS 10,51,0,101 PORT 1004
IHF TCP PORT 1045 TO IP ADDRESS 10,51,0,101 PORT 1005
IHG AVAILABLE
IHH AVAILABLE
```

TI

Tell Inputs

Full Description

This command returns the state of the inputs including the extended I/O configured as inputs. The value returned by this command is decimal and represents an 8 bit value (decimal value ranges from 0 to 255). Each bit represents one input where the LSB is the lowest input number and the MSB is the highest input bit.

Arguments

TIn where

n = 0 Return Input Status for Inputs 1 through 8

n = 1 Return Input Status for Inputs 9 through 16see note 1

n = 2 through 5 see note 2

where n represents the extended inputs ranging from $(8*n)+1$ through $(8*(n+1))$

n = 10 Return Input Status for Inputs 81 through 88 (auxiliary encoder inputs)

n = 11 Return Input Status for Inputs 89 through 96 (auxiliary encoder inputs)

no argument will return the Input Status for Inputs 1 through 8

n = ? returns the Input Status for Inputs 1 through 8

note 1 Applies only to controllers with more than 4 axes

note 2 These arguments only apply when using extended I/O configured as inputs

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format 3.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TIn contains the status byte of the input block specified by 'n'. Note that the operand can be masked to return only specified bit information - see section on Bit-wise operations in Chapter 7 of the user manual.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
TI
:08 Input 4 is high, others low
```

```
TI
:00 All inputs low
Input =_TI Sets the variable, Input, with the TI value
TI
:255      All inputs high
```

TIME

Time Operand (Keyword)

Full Description

The TIME operand returns the value of the internal free running, real time clock. The returned value represents the number of servo loop updates and is based on the TM command. The default value for the TM command is 1000. With this update rate, the operand TIME will increase by 1 count every update of approximately 1000usec. Note that a value of 1000 for the update rate (TM command) will actually set an update rate of 976 microseconds. Thus the value returned by the TIME operand will be off by 2.4% of the actual time.

The clock is reset to 0 with a standard reset or a master reset.

The keyword, TIME, does not require an underscore "_" as does the other operands.

Arguments

Usage

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
MG TIME      Display the value of the internal clock
```

TK

Peak Torque Limit

Full Description

The TK command sets the peak torque limit on the motor command output and TL sets the continuous torque limit. When the average torque is below TL, the motor command signal can go up to the TK (Peak Torque) for a short amount of time. If TK is set lower than TL, then TL is the maximum command output under all circumstances.

Arguments

n is an unsigned number in the range of 0 to 9.99 volts
n=0 disables the peak torque limit
n=? returns the value of the peak torque limit for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TKn contains the value of the peak torque limit for the specified axis.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
TLA=7                Limit A-axis to a 7 volt average torque
output
TKA=9.99            Limit A-axis to a 9.99 volt peak torque output
```


TL

Torque Limit

Full Description

The TL command sets the limit on the motor command output. For example, TL of 5 limits the motor command output to 5 volts. Maximum output of the motor command is 9.998 volts.

Arguments

TL n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or TLA=n where
n is an unsigned numbers in the range 0 to 9.998 volts with resolution of 0.0003 volts
n = ? Returns the value of the torque limit for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 9.998
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TLn contains the value of the torque limit for the specified axis.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
TL 1,5,9,7.5      Limit A-axis to 1 volt. Limit B-axis to 5 volts.  
                  Limit C-axis to 9 volts. Limit D-axis to 7.5 volts.  
TL ?,?,?,?      Return limits  
:1.0000,5.0000,9.0000, 7.5000  
TL ?            Return A-axis limit  
:1.0000
```

TM

Update Time

Full Description

The TM command sets the sampling period of the control loop. A zero or negative number turns off the servo loop. The units of this command are sec.

Arguments

TM n where

With the fast firmware: n is an number in the range 31.25 to 20000 decimal with resolution of 31.25 microseconds. The minimum sample time is possible when using the fast firmware. In the Fast firmware mode the following functions are disabled: TD, DV, TK, NB, NZ, NF, second field of EI, Gearing, CAM, PL, Analog Feedback, Steppers, Trippoints in all but threads 0 and 1, Data Record and TV.

Using the fast firmware the minimum sample times are the following:

Accelera Controllers with 1-2 axes 31.25 sec

Accelera Controllers with 3-4 axes 62.5 sec

Accelera Controllers with 5-6 axes 93.75 sec

Accelera Controllers with 7-8 axes 125 sec

With the normal firmware: Using the normal firmware the minimum sample times are the following:

Accelera Controllers with 1-2 axes 62.5 sec

Accelera Controllers with 3-4 axes 125 sec

Accelera Controllers with 5-6 axes 156.25 sec

Accelera Controllers with 7-8 axes 187.5 sec

n = ? returns the value of the sample time.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 1000

In a Program Yes Default Format 1.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TM contains the value of the sample time.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
TM -1000    Turn off internal clock
TM 2000     Set sample rate to 2000 usec
TM 1000     Return to default sample rate
```

TN

Tangent

Full Description

The TN m,n command describes the tangent axis to the coordinated motion path. m is the scale factor in counts/degree of the tangent axis. n is the absolute position of the tangent axis where the tangent axis is aligned with zero degrees in the coordinated motion plane. The tangent axis is specified with the VM n,m,p command where p is the tangent axis. The tangent function is useful for cutting applications where a cutting tool must remain tangent to the part.

Arguments

TN m,n where

m is the scale factor in counts/degree, in the range between -127 and 127 with a fractional resolution of 0.004

m = ? Returns the first position value for the tangent axis.

When operating with stepper motors, m is the scale factor in steps / degree

n is the absolute position at which the tangent angle is zero, in the range between -8388608 to 8388607.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format PF

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TN contains the first position value for the tangent axis. This allows the user to correctly position the tangent axis before the motion begins.

Related Commands

VM

Vector mode

CR

Circle Command

Examples:

VM A,B,C Specify coordinated mode for A and B-axis; C-axis is
tangent to the motion path
TN 100,50 Specify scale factor as 100 counts/degree and 50 counts
at which tangent angle is zero
VP 1000,2000 Specify vector position A,B
VE End Vector
BGS Begin coordinated motion with tangent axis

TP

Tell Position

Full Description

The TP command returns the current position of the motor(s).

Arguments

TP nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format Position Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TPx contains the current position value for the specified axis.

Related Commands

PF
Position Formatting

Examples:

Assume the A-axis is at the position 200 (decimal), the B-axis is at the position -10 (decimal), the C-axis is at position 0, and the D-axis is at -110 (decimal). The returned parameter units are in quadrature counts.

```
TP Return A,B,C,D positions  
:200,-10,0,-110
```

```
TPA Return the A motor position  
:200
```

```
TPB Return the B motor position  
:-10
```

```
PF-6.0 Change to hex format
```

```
TP Return A,B,C,D in hex  
:$0000C8,$FFFFFF6,$000000,$FFFF93
```

```
Position =_TPA Assign the variable, Position, the value of TPA
```

TR

Trace

Full Description

The TR command causes each instruction in a program to be sent out the communications port prior to execution. TR1 enables this function and TR0 disables it. The trace command is useful in debugging programs.

Arguments

TR n, m where

n = 0 Disables the trace function

n = 1 Enables the trace function

m is an integer between 0 and 255 and designates which threads to trace. A binary weighted bit is set per thread. Thread 0=1, Thread 1=2, Thread 2=4 ... Thread 7 =128. The default is 255 (all threads)

The least significant bit represents thread 0 and the most significant bit represents thread 7. The decimal value can be calculated by the following formula.

$$n = n_0 + 2*n_1 + 4*n_2 + 8*n_3 + 16*n_4 + 32*n_5 + 64*n_6 + 128*n_7$$

where n_x represents the thread. To turn tracing on for a thread, substitute a one into that n_x in the formula. If the n_x value is a zero, then tracing will be off for that thread. For example, if threads 3 and 4 are to be traced, TR24 is issued.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value TR0,255

In a Program Yes Default Format --

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

CW

Set/clear most significant bit

Examples:

```
:ED ;'define a small looping program
```

TS

Tell Switches

Full Description

TS returns status information of the Home switch, Forward Limit switch Reverse Limit switch, error conditions, motion condition and motor state. The value returned by this command is decimal and represents an 8 bit value (decimal value ranges from 0 to 255). Each bit represents the following status information:

Bit Status

Bit 7 Axis in motion if high

Bit 6 Axis error exceeds error limit if high

Bit 5 A motor off if high

Bit 4 Undefined

Bit 3 Forward Limit Switch Status inactive if high

Bit 2 Reverse Limit Switch Status inactive if high

Bit 1 Home A Switch Status

Bit 0 Latched

Note: For active high or active low configuration (CN command), the limit switch bits are '1' when the switch is inactive and '0' when active.

Arguments

TS nnnnnnnnnn where

n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes

No argument will provide the status for all axes

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format 3.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TS contains the current status of the switches.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
V1=_TSB      Assigns value of TSB to the variable V1
```


V1= Interrogate value of variable V1
:15 Decimal value corresponding to bit pattern 00001111
Y axis not in motion (bit 7 - has a value of 0)
Y axis error limit not exceeded (bit 6 has a value of 0)
Y axis motor is on (bit 5 has a value of 0)
Y axis forward limit is inactive (bit 3 has a value of 1)
Y axis reverse limit is inactive (bit 2 has a value of 1)
Y axis home switch is high (bit 1 has a value of 1)
Y axis latch is not armed (bit 0 has a value of 1)

TT

Tell Torque

Full Description

The TT command reports the value of the analog output signal, which is a number between -9.998 and 9.998 volts.

Arguments

TT nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes
No argument will provide the torque for all axes

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TTn contains the value of the torque for the specified axis.

Related Commands

TL
Torque Limit

Examples:

```
V1=_TTA    Assigns value of TTA to variable, V1
TTA Report torque on A
:-0.2843   Torque is -.2843 volts
```

TV

Tell Velocity

Full Description

The TV command returns the actual velocity of the axes in units of encoder count/s. The value returned includes the sign.

Arguments

TV nnnnnnnnnn where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes
No argument will provide the velocity for all axes.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format 8.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TVn contains the value of the velocity for the specified axis.

Related Commands

Examples:

```
VELA=_TVA  Assigns value of A-axis velocity to the variable VEL  
TVA Returns the A-axis velocity  
:3420  
Note: The TV command is computed using a special averaging filter  
(over approximately 0.25 sec for TM1000). Therefore, TV will return  
average velocity, not instantaneous velocity.
```

TW

Timeout for IN Position (MC)

Full Description

The TW command sets the timeout in samples (msec for TM1000) to declare an error if the MC command is active and the motor is not at or beyond the actual position within n msec after the completion of the motion profile. If a timeout occurs, then the MC trippoint will clear and the stop code will be set to 99. An application program will jump to the special label #MCTIME. The RE command should be used to return from the #MCTIME subroutine.

Arguments

TW n,n,n,n,n,n,n or TWA=n where
n specifies the timeout in samples (msec for TM1000). n ranges from 0 to 32767 msec
n = 1 Disables the timeout.
n = ? Returns the timeout in samples (msec for TM1000) for the MC command for the specified axis.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 32766
In a Program Yes Default Format
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_TWn contains the timeout in samples (msec for TM1000) for the MC command for the specified axis.

Related Commands

MC
Motion Complete trippoint

TZ

Examples:

TZ

Tell I O Configuration

Full Description

The TZ command is used to request the I/O status. This is returned to the user as a text string.

Arguments

TZ where

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -----
In a Program Yes Default Format -----
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

Related Commands

TI
Tell Inputs
SB/CB
Set/Clear output bits
OP
Output port
CO
Configure I/O

Examples:

```
:TZ                               Tell current master I/O status
BLOCK 0 (8-1) dedicated as input - value 255 (1111_1111)
BLOCK 0 (8-1) dedicated as output- value 0 (0000_0000)
BLOCK 2 (24-17) configured as input - value 255 (1111_1111)
BLOCK 3 (32-25) configured as input - value 255 (1111_1111)
BLOCK 4 (40-33) configured as input - value 255 (1111_1111)
BLOCK 5 (48-41) configured as input - value 255 (1111_1111)
BLOCK 6 (56-49) configured as input - value 255 (1111_1111)
BLOCK 10 (88-81) dedicated as input - value 255 (1111_1111)
```

UI

User UDP Interrupt

Full Description

UI pushes a user-defined status byte into the EI queue. UI can generate 16 different status bytes, \$F0 to \$FF (240-255), corresponding to UI0 to UI15. When the UI command (e.g. UI5) is executed, the status byte value (e.g. \$F5 or 245) is queued up for transmission to the host, along with any other interrupts.

The UDP interrupt packet dispatch may be delayed. If immediate packet dispatch is required, use the message command (MG) to send a unique message to the host software.

EI,_n must be set to a valid UDP port (set by the host, not the DMC code, is recommended) before any interrupt packet will be dispatched.

Arguments

UI *n* where

n is an integer between 0 and 15 corresponding to status bytes \$F0 to \$FF (240-255).

STATUS BYTE CONDITION

\$F0 (240) UI or UI0 was executed

\$F1 (241) UI1 was executed

\$F2 (242) UI2 was executed

\$F3 (243) UI3 was executed

\$F4 (244) UI4 was executed

\$F5 (245) UI5 was executed

\$F6 (246) UI6 was executed

\$F7 (247) UI7 was executed

\$F8 (248) UI8 was executed

\$F9 (249) UI9 was executed

\$FA (250) UI10 was executed

\$FB(251) UI11 was executed

\$FC (252) UI12 was executed

\$FD (253) UI13 was executed

\$FE (254) UI14 was executed

\$FF (255) UI15 was executed

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 3.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-4000

Operand Usage

Related Commands

EI
Event interrupts
MG
Message

Examples:

```
JG 5000      Jog at 5000 counts/s  
BGA Begin motion  
ASA Wait for at speed  
UI 1        Cause an interrupt with status byte $F1 (241)
```

UL

Upload

Full Description

The UL command transfers data from the controller to a host computer. Programs are sent without line numbers. The Uploaded program will be followed by a <control>Z as an end of text marker.

Arguments

None

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program No Default Format -
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

When used as an operand, _UL gives the number of available variables. The number of available variables is 510.

RELATED COMMAND:

DL

Download

Related Commands

Examples:

```
UL; Begin upload
#A Line 0
NO This is an Example Line 1
NO Program Line 2
EN Line 3
<cntrl>Z Terminator
```


VA

Vector Acceleration

Full Description

This command sets the acceleration rate of the vector in a coordinated motion sequence.

Arguments

VA s,t where

s and t are unsigned integers in the range 1024 to 1073740800. s represents the vector acceleration for the S coordinate system and t represents the vector acceleration for the T coordinate system. The parameter input will be rounded down to the nearest factor of 1024. The units of the parameter is counts per second squared.

s = ? Returns the value of the vector acceleration for the S coordinate plane.

t = ? Returns the value of the vector acceleration for the T coordinate plane.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 256000

In a Program Yes Default Format 10.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_VAX contains the value of the vector acceleration for the specified axis.

Related Commands

VS

Vector Speed

VP

Vector Position

VE

End Vector

CR

Circle

VM

Vector Mode

BG

Begin Sequence
VD
Vector Deceleration
IT
Smoothing constant - S-curve

Examples:

```
VA 1024      Set vector acceleration to 1024 counts/sec2
VA ?        Return vector acceleration
:1024
VA 20000    Set vector acceleration
VA ?
:19456      Return vector acceleration
ACCEL=_VA   Assign variable, ACCEL, the value of VA
```

VD

Vector Deceleration

Full Description

This command sets the deceleration rate of the vector in a coordinated motion sequence.

Arguments

VD s,t where

s and t are unsigned integers in the range 1024 to 1073740800. s represents the vector deceleration for the S coordinate system and t represents the vector acceleration for the T coordinate system. The parameter input will be rounded down to the nearest factor of 1024. The units of the parameter is counts per second squared.

s = ? Returns the value of the vector deceleration for the S coordinate plane.

t = ? Returns the value of the vector deceleration for the T coordinate plane.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 256000
In a Program Yes Default Format 10.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_VDn contains the value of the vector deceleration for the specified coordinate system, S or T.

Related Commands

VA
Vector Acceleration
VS
Vector Speed
VP
Vector Position
CR
Circle
VE
Vector End

VM
Vector Mode
BG
Begin Sequence
IT
Smoothing constant - S-curve

Examples:

```
#VECTOR      ;'Vector Program Label  
VMAB        ;'Specify plane of motion  
VA1000000   ;'Vector Acceleration  
VD 5000000  ;'Vector Deceleration  
VS 2000     ;'Vector Speed  
VP 10000, 20000 ;'Vector Position  
VE ;'End Vector  
BGS ;'Begin Sequence  
AMS ;'Wait for Vector sequence to complete  
EN ;'End Program
```

VE

Vector Sequence End

Full Description

VE is required to specify the end segment of a coordinated move sequence. VE would follow the final VP or CR command in a sequence. VE is equivalent to the LE command.

The VE command will apply to the selected coordinate system, S or T. To select the coordinate system, use the command CAS or CAT.

Arguments

VE n

No argument specifies the end of a vector sequence

n = ? Returns the length of the vector in counts.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format PF

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_VEN contains the length of the vector in counts for the specified coordinate system, S or T.

Related Commands

VM

Vector Mode

VS

Vector Speed

VA

Vector Acceleration

VD

Vector Deceleration

CR

Circle

VP

Vector Position

BG
Begin Sequence
CS
Clear Sequence

Examples:

```
#A ;'Program Label
VM AB ;'Vector move in AB
VP 1000,2000 ;'Linear segment
CR 0,90,180 ;'Arc segment
VP 0,0 ;'Linear segment
VE ;'End sequence
BGS ;'Begin motion
AMS ;'Wait for VE to execute in buffer
EN ;'End program
```

VF

Variable Format

Full Description

The VF command formats the number of digits to be displayed when interrogating the controller.

If a number exceeds the format, the number will be displayed as the maximum possible positive or negative number (i.e. 999.99, -999, \$8000 or \$7FF).

Arguments

VF m.n where

m and n are unsigned numbers in the range $0 < m < 10$ and $0 < n < 4$.

m represents the number of digits before the decimal point. A negative m specifies hexadecimal format. When in hexadecimal, the string will be preceded by a \$ and Hex numbers are displayed as 2's complement with the first bit used to signify the sign.

n represents the number of digits after the decimal point.

m = ? Returns the value of the format for variables and arrays.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 10.4

In a Program Yes Default Format 2.1

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_VF contains the value of the format for variables and arrays.

Related Commands

PF

Position Format

Examples:

```
VF 5.3      Sets 5 digits of integers and 3 digits after the decimal
point
VF 8.0      Sets 8 digits of integers and no fractions
VF -4.0     Specify hexadecimal format with 4 bytes to the left of
the decimal
```

VM

Coordinated Motion Mode

Full Description

The VP command defines the target coordinates of a straight line segment in a 2 axis motion sequence which have been selected by the VM command. The units are in quadrature counts, and are a function of the elliptical scale factor set using the command ES. For three or more axes linear interpolation, use the LI command. The VP command will apply to the selected coordinate system, S or T. To select the coordinate system, use the command CAS or CAT.

Arguments

VP n,m < o > p where

n and m are signed integers in the range -2147483648 to 2147483647 The length of each segment must be limited to 8 106. The values for n and m will specify a coordinate system from the beginning of the sequence.

o specifies a vector speed to be taken into effect at the execution of the vector segment. o is an unsigned even integer between 0 and 22,000,000 for servo motor operation and between 0 and 6,000,000 for stepper motors (o is in units of counts per sample).

p specifies a vector speed to be achieved at the end of the vector segment. p is an unsigned even integer between 0 and 8,000,000 (p is in units of counts per sample).

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_VPn contains the absolute coordinate of the axes at the last intersection along the sequence. For example, during the first motion segment, this instruction returns the coordinate at the start of the sequence. The use as an operand is valid in the linear mode, LM, and in the Vector mode, VM.

Related Commands

VM

Vector Mode

VE
Vector End
BG
Begin Sequence
IT
Vector smoothing

Examples:

```
#A ;'Program Label
VM AB ;'Specify motion plane
VP 1000,2000 ;'Specify vector position 1000,2000
VP 2000,4000 ;'Specify vector position 2000,4000
CR 1000,0,360 ;'Specify arc
VE ;'Vector end
BGS ;'Begin motion sequence
AMS ;'Wait for vector motion to complete
EN ;'End Program
```

Hint: The first vector in a coordinated motion sequence defines the origin for that sequence. All other vectors in the sequence are defined by their endpoints with respect to the start of the move sequence.

VR

Vector Speed Ratio

Full Description

The VR sets a ratio to be used as a multiplier of the current vector speed. The vector speed can be set by the command VS or the operators < and > used with CR, VP and LI commands. VR takes effect immediately and will ratio all the following vector speed commands. VR doesn't ratio acceleration or deceleration, but the change in speed is accomplished by accelerating or decelerating at the rate specified by VA and VD.

Arguments

VR s,t where
s and t are between 0 and 10 with a resolution of .0001. The value specified by s is the vector ratio to apply to the S coordinate system and t is the value to apply to the T coordinate system.

s = ? Returns the value of the vector speed ratio for the S coordinate plane.

t = ? Returns the value of the vector speed ratio for the T coordinate plane.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 1
In a Program Yes Default Format 2.4
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_VRn contains the vector speed ratio of the specified coordinate system, S or T.

Related Commands

VS
Vector Speed

Examples:

```
#A ;'Vector Program
VMAB ;'Vector Mode
VP 1000,2000 ;'Vector Position
CR 1000,0,360 ;'Specify Arc
VE ;'End Sequence
```

VS 2000 ;'Vector Speed
BGS ;'Begin Sequence
AMS ;'After Motion
JP#A ;'Repeat Move

VS

Vector Speed

Full Description

The VS command specifies the speed of the vector in a coordinated motion sequence in either the LM or VM modes. VS may be changed during motion.

Vector Speed can be calculated by taking the square root of the sum of the squared values of speed for each axis specified for vector or linear interpolated motion.

Arguments

VS s,t where

s and t are unsigned even numbers in the range 2 to 22,000,000 for servo motors and 2 to 6,000,000 for stepper motors. s is the speed to apply to the S coordinate system and t is the speed to apply to the T coordinate system. The units are counts per second.

s = ? Returns the value of the vector speed for the S coordinate plane.

t = ? Returns the value of the vector speed for the T coordinate plane.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 25000

In a Program Yes Default Format 8.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_VS_n contains the vector speed of the specified coordinate system, S or T

Related Commands

VA

Vector Acceleration

VP

Vector Position

CR

Circle

LM

Linear Interpolation

VM

Vector Mode

BG
Begin Sequence
VE
Vector End

Examples:

```
VS 2000      Define vector speed of S coordinate system  
VS ?        Return vector speed of S coordinate system  
:2000
```

Hint: Vector speed can be attached to individual vector segments.
For more information, see description of VP, CR, and LI commands.

VV

Vector Speed Variable

Full Description

The VV command sets the speed of the vector variable in a coordinated motion sequence in either the LM or VM modes. VV may be changed during motion. The VV command is used to set the "<" vector speed variable argument for segments that exist in the vector buffer. By defining a vector segment begin speed as a negative 1 (i.e. "<-1"), the controller will utilize the current vector variable speed as the segment is profiled from the buffer.

This is useful when vector segments exist in the buffer that use the "<" and ">" speed indicators for specific segment and corner speed control and the host needs to be able to dynamically change the nominal return operating speed.

The vector variable is supported for VP, CR and LI segments.

Arguments

VVS=n and VVT=n where,

n specifies the speed as an unsigned even number in the range 2 to 22,000,000 for servo motors and 2 to 6,000,000 for stepper motors. VVS is the speed to apply to the S coordinate system and VVT is the speed to apply to the T coordinate system. The units are in counts per second.

VVS=? Returns the value of the vector speed variable for the S coordinate plane.

VVT=? Returns the value of the vector speed variable for the T coordinate plane.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0

In a Program Yes Default Format 8.0

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage DMC-40x0

Operand Usage

_VVn contains the vector speed variable of the specified coordinate system (n= S or T)

Related Commands

VA

Vector Acceleration

VD

Vector Deceleration
VP
Vector Position Segment
CR
Circular Interpolation Segment
LI
Linear Interpolation Segment
VM
Vector Mode
LM
Linear Interpolation Mode

Examples:

```
VVS= 20000 Define vector speed variable to 20000 for the S  
coordinate system  
VP1000,2000<-1>100 Define vector speed variable for specific  
segment.  
VVS=? Returns' 20000 <CRLF>: (as set above)
```

WH

Which Handle

Full Description

The WH command is used to identify the handle in which the command is executed. The command returns IHA through IHH to indicate on which handle the command was executed. The command returns RS232 if communicating serially.

Arguments

None

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -----
In a Program Yes Default Format -----
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_WH contains the numeric representation of the handle in which a command is executed. Handles A through H are indicated by the value 0-7, while a-1 indicates the serial port.

Related Commands

TH
Tell Handle

Examples:

```
WH Request handle identification
:IHC          Command executed in handle C
WH Request handle identification
:RS232       Command executed in RS232 port
```


WT

Wait

Full Description

The WT command is a trippoint used to time events. When this command is executed, the controller will wait for the number of miliseconds specified before executing the next command.

Arguments

WT n where n is an unsigned even number in the range 0 to 2000000000 (2 Billion)

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value -
In a Program Yes Default Format -
Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples:

```
'Assume that 10 seconds after a move is over a relay must be closed.  
#A          ;'Program A  
PR 50000    ;'Position relative move  
BGA        ;'Begin the move  
AMA        ;'After the move is over  
WT 10000    ;'Wait 10 seconds  
SB 1              ;'Turn on relay  
EN          ;'End Program
```

XQ

Execute Program

Full Description

The XQ command begins execution of a program residing in the program memory of the controller. Execution will start at the label or line number specified. Up to 8 programs may be executed with the controller.

Arguments

XQ #A,n XQm,n where

A is a program name of up to seven characters.

m is a line number

n is an integer representing the thread number for multitasking

n is an integer in the range of 0 to 7.

NOTE: The arguments for the command, XQ, are optional. If no arguments are given, the first program in memory will be executed as thread 0.

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value of n: 0

In a Program Yes Default Format -

Command Line Yes

Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_XQn contains the current line number of execution for thread n, and -1 if thread n is not running.

Related Commands

HX

Halt execution

Examples:

```
XQ #APPLE,0 Start execution at label APPLE, thread zero
```

```
XQ #DATA,2 Start execution at label DATA, thread two
```

```
XQ 0 Start execution at line 0
```

Hint: For DOS users, don't forget to quit the edit mode first before executing a program!

YA

Step Drive Resolution

Full Description

The YA command specifies the resolution of the step drive, in step counts per full motor step, for Stepper Position Maintenance mode, and to configure the stepper amplifier.

Arguments

YA m,m,m,m,m,m,m,m or YAn = m where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes.
m is 0 to 9999 which represents the drive resolution in step counts per full motor step.
For SDM-44040 only - m is 1, 2, 4, 16 for full, half, 1/4 and 1/16 step drive resolution.
with the SDM-44040 the YA command configures the actual resolution of the stepper driver.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 2
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

_YAn contains the resolution for the specified axis.

Related Commands

QS
Error Magnitude
YS
Stepper Position Maintenance Mode Enable, Status
YB
Step Motor Resolution
YC
Encoder Resolution
YR
Error Correction

Examples:

1. Set the step drive resolution for the SDM-44140 Microstepping Drive:
YA 64,64,64,64
2. Query the D axis value:
MG_YAD
:64.0000 Response shows D axis step drive resolution

YB

Step Motor Resolution

Full Description

The YB command specifies the resolution of the step motor, in full steps per full revolution, for Stepper Position Maintenance mode.

Arguments

YB m,m,m,m,m,m,m,m or YBn = m where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes.
m is 0 to 9999 which represents the motor resolution in full steps per revolution.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 200
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

_YBn contains the stepmotor resolution for the specified axis.

Related Commands

QS
Error Magnitude
YS
Stepper Position Maintenance Mode Enable, Status
YA
Step Drive Resolution
YC
Encoder Resolution
YR
Error Correction

Examples:

1. Set the step motor resolution of the A axis for a 1.8° step motor:
YBA=200
2. Query the A axis value:
YBA=?

:200 Response shows A axis step motor resolution

YC

Encoder Resolution

Full Description

The YC command specifies the resolution of the encoder, in counts per revolution, for Stepper Position Maintenance mode.

Arguments

YC m,m,m,m,m,m,m,m or YCn = m where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes.
m is 0 to 32766 which represents the encoder resolution in counts per revolution.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 4000
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

_YCn contains the encoder resolution for the specified axis.

Related Commands

QS
Error Magnitude
YS
Stepper Position Maintenance Mode Enable, Status
YA
Step Drive Resolution
YB
Step Motor Resolution
YR
Error Correction

Examples:

1. Set the encoder resolution of the D axis for a 4000 count/rev encoder:
YC,,,4000
2. Query the D axis value:
YCD=?

:4000 Response shows D axis encoder resolution

YR

Error Correction

Full Description

The YR command allows the user to correct for position error in Stepper Position Maintenance mode. This correction acts like an IP command, moving the axis or axes the specified quantity of step counts. YR will typically be used in conjunction with QS.

Arguments

YR m,m,m,m,m,m,m,m or YRn = m where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes.
m is a magnitude in step counts.

Usage

While Moving No Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

None

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QS
Error Magnitude
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Step Drive Resolution
YB
Step Motor Resolution
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Stepper Position Maintenance Mode Enable, Status

Examples:

1. Using an SDM-20620 microstepping drive, query the error of the B axis:

QSB=?
:253 This shows 253 step counts of error. The SDM-20620 resolution is 64 microsteps per full motor step, nearly 4 full motor steps of error.
2. Correct for the error:
YRB=_QSB The motor moves _QS step counts to correct for the error, and YS is set back to 1

YS

Stepper Position Maintenance Mode Enable, Status

Full Description

The YS command enables and disables the Stepper Position Maintenance Mode function. YS also reacts to excessive position error condition as defined by the QS command.

Arguments

YS m,m,m,m,m,m,m,m or YSn = m where
n is A,B,C,D,E,F,G or H or any combination to specify the axis or axes.
m = 0 SPM Mode Disable
m = 1 Enable SPM Mode, Clear trippoint and QS error
M = 2 Error condition occurred

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 1.4
Command Line Yes

Operand Usage

_YSn contains the status of the mode for the specified axis.

Related Commands

QS
Error Magnitude
YA
Step Drive Resolution
YB
Step Motor Resolution
YC
Encoder Resolution
YR
Error Correction

Examples:

1. Enable the mode:

YSH=1
2. Query the value:
YS*=?
:0,0,0,0,0,0,0,1 Response shows H axis is enabled

ZA

User Data Record Variables

Full Description

ZA sets the user variables in the data record. The eight user variables (one per axis) are automatically sent as part of the status record from the controller to the host computer. These variables provide a method for specific controller information to be passed to the host automatically.

Arguments

ZA n,n,n,n,n,n,n,n or ZAA=n where
n is an integer and can be a number, controller operand, variable, mathematical function, or string. The range for numeric values is 4 bytes of integer (-2,147,483,648 to +2,147,483,647). The maximum number of characters for a string is 4 characters. Strings are identified by quotations.
n = ? returns the current value

Usage

While Moving Yes Default Value 0
In a Program Yes Default Format 10.0
Command Line Yes
Controller Usage ALL CONTROLLERS

Operand Usage

_ZAn contains the current value

Related Commands

DR
Data record update rate
QZ
Data record format

Examples:

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#Thread  
  ZAX=MyVar          ;'constantly update ZA  
JP#Thread
```

ZS

Zero Subroutine Stack

Full Description

The ZS command is only valid in an application program and is used to avoid returning from an interrupt (either input or error). ZS alone returns the stack to its original condition. ZS1 adjusts the stack to eliminate one return. This turns the jump to subroutine into a jump. Do not use RI (Return from Interrupt) when using ZS. To re-enable interrupts, you must use II command again.

The status of the stack can be interrogated with the operand _ZSn - see operand usage below.

Arguments

Usage

Operand Usage

Related Commands

Examples: