S/C - Sin/cos encoder

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The sin/cos encoder (S/C) block retrieves the Sine and Cosine signals of a sin/cos encoder connected to the Motor Interface.

The B-Box RCP supports up to two sin/cos encoders through the Motor Interface for B-Box RCP. This type of sensor encodes the position of the rotor using two signals in quadrature (sin and cos). The principle is similar to an incremental encoder: the signals in quadrature are periodic, and the sensor produces a fixed number of periods per revolution (PPR). Unlike an incremental encoder, signals in quadrature are analog, which allows computing the angle within one electrical period of the sensor. As a result, a sin/cos encoder offers a better resolution at the same PPR. Additionally, some sin/cos encoders also provide an index signal (ns) equivalent to the Z reset signal of an incremental encoder. The Motor Interface does not support absolute sin/cos encoders.

Version 3.7 beta of the ACG SDK for Simulink does not implement an angle decoder. Instead, the S/C block provides the raw analog signals of the sensor read by some ADCs, and the control must implement angle decoding.

The S/C block is available starting from <u>version 3.7.1.4</u> of the SDK. The Motor Interface for B-Box RCP is **required** to use this driver.

Simulink block

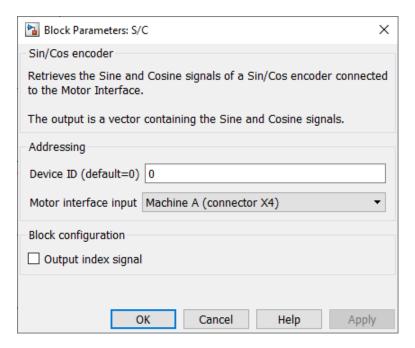
Signal specification

- The output s/c is a vector containing the Sine and Cosine signals in [V].
- The optional output ns corresponds to the index signal.
- The sim input is used in simulation and represents the actual Sine and Cosine signals, computed by the simulation plant model.
- The > input signal needs to be connected to the sampling clock generated by the <u>CONFIG</u>
 <u>block</u> to account for the exact sampling instant in simulation.



Parameters

- Device ID selects which B-Box/B-Board to address when used in a multi-device configuration.
- Motor Interface input selects which connector of the Motor Interface is used as an input.
- Output index signal defines if the index signal is output or not.



PLECS block

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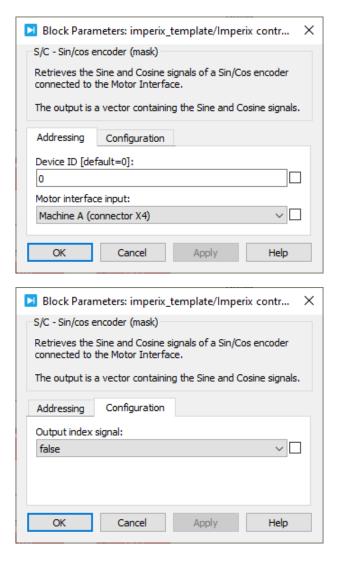
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C++ functions

void MotInt_EnableMotorInterface(unsigned int device=0);Code language: C++ (cpp)

Enables the drivers of the Motor Interface.

It has to be called in UserInit().

Parameters

• device: the id of the addressed device (optional, used in multi-device configuration only).

Sc_GetSin — Read the sine signal

float Sc_GetSin(tMotIntMachine machine, unsigned int device=0); Code language: C++ (cpp)
Read the value of the sine signal.

It has to be called during the control interrupt.

Parameters

- machine: the machine to configure (MACHINE_A or MACHINE_B).
- device: the id of the addressed device (optional, used in multi-device configuration only).

Sc_GetCos — Read the cosine signal

float Sc_GetCos(tMotIntMachine machine, unsigned int device=0); Code language: C++ (cpp)
Reads the value of the cosine signal.

It has to be called during the control interrupt.

Parameters

- machine: the machine to configure (MACHINE_A or MACHINE_B).
- device: the id of the addressed device (optional, used in multi-device configuration only).

Sc_GetNs — Read the index signal

float Sc_GetNs(tMotIntMachine machine, unsigned int device=0);Code language: C++ (cpp)
Reads the value of the index signal.

It has to be called during the control interrupt.

Parameters

- machine: the machine to configure (MACHINE_A or MACHINE_B).
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