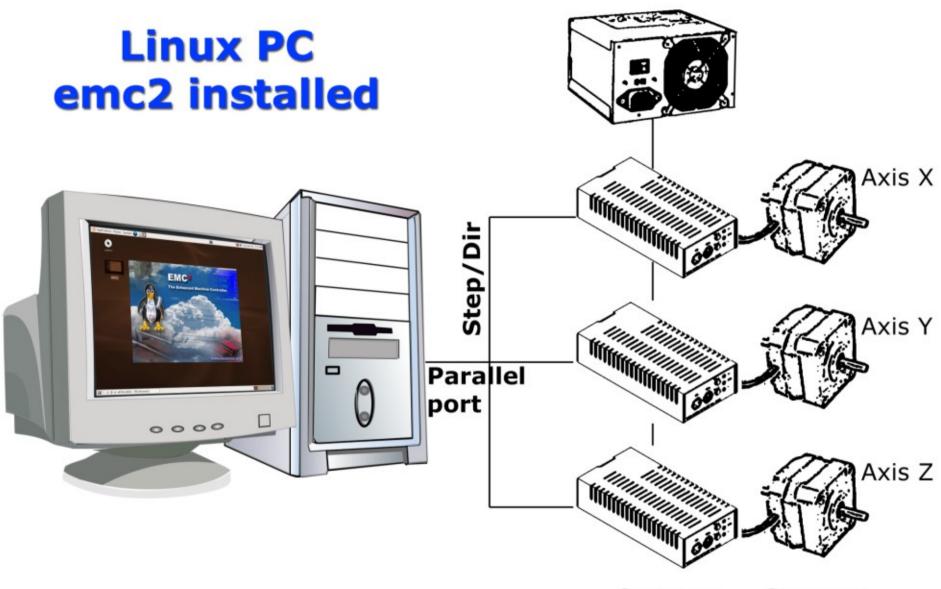
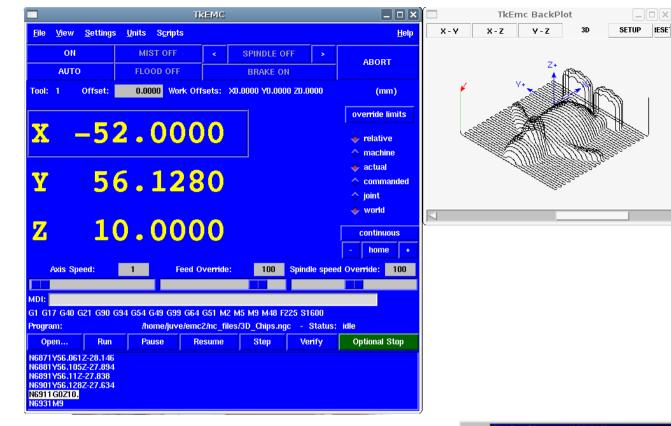
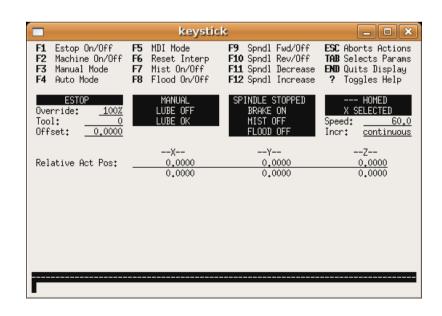
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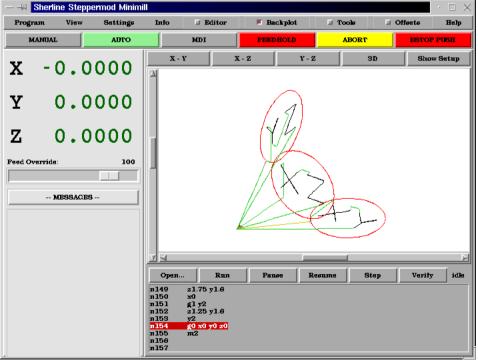


Stepper drives

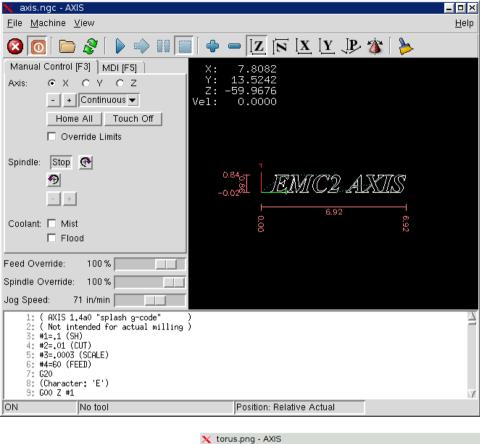
Stepper motors

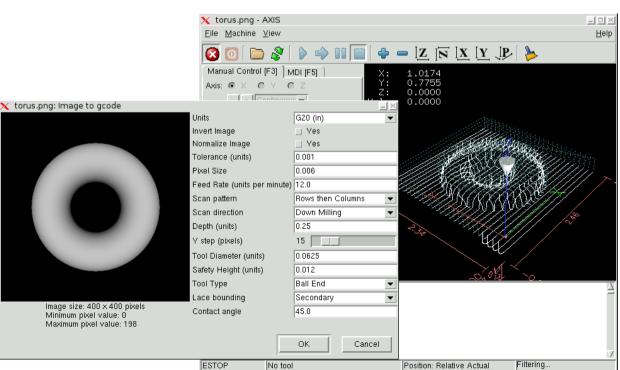






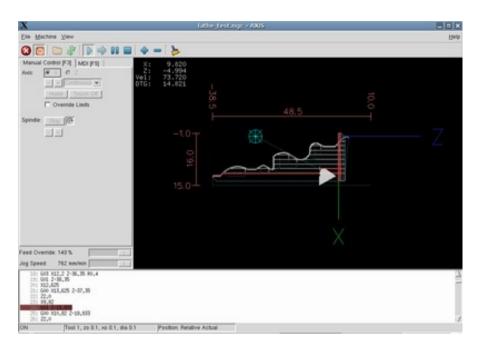
IESE



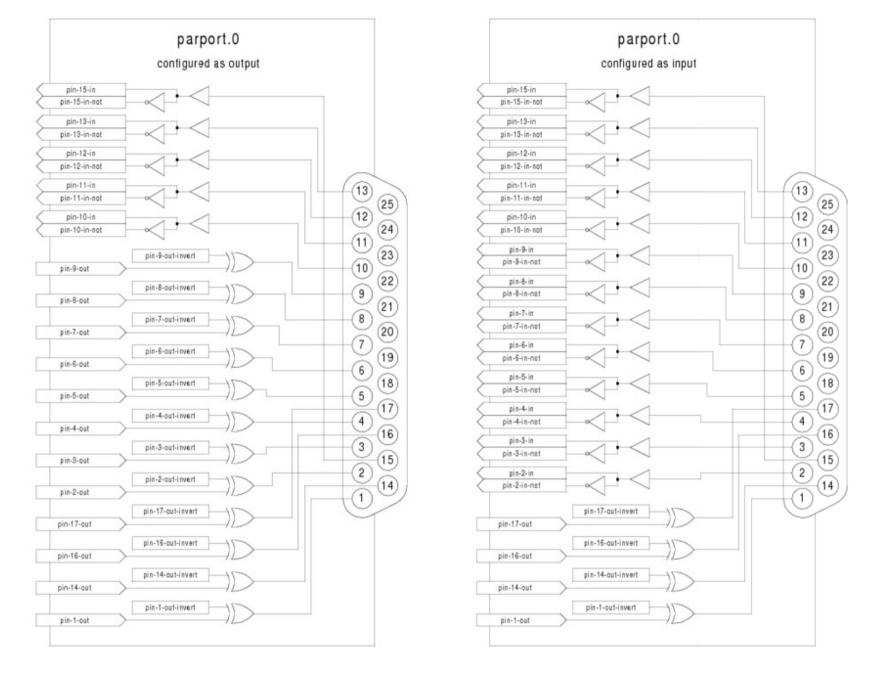


No tool

Position: Relative Actual







The HAL driver supports the bidirectional port, and allows the user to set the data group as either input or output. If configured as output, a port provides a total of 12 outputs and 5 inputs. If configured as input, it provides 4 outputs and 13 inputs

run:

latency-test

from a terminal



Let this test run for a few minutes, then note the maximum Jitter. You will use it while configuring emc2.

While the test is running, you should "abuse" the computer. Move windows around on the screen. Surf the web. Copy some large files around on the disk. Play some music. Run an OpenGL program such as glxgears. The idea is to put the PC through its paces while the latency test checks to see what the worst case numbers are.

Max Interval (ns) Max Jitter (ns) Last interval (ns)

Servo thread (1ms): 1008715 **14338** 996498

Base thread (25µs): 36125 **17894** 23932

15-20 microseconds is GOOD

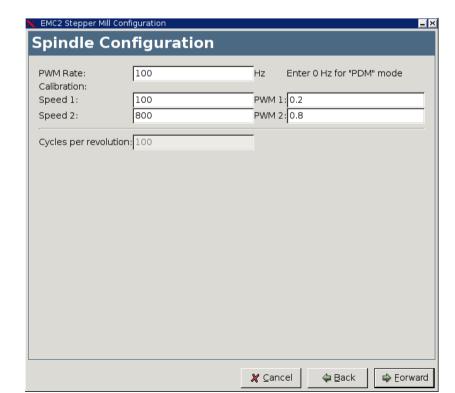
30-50 microseconds is NOT AS GOOD

=>100 microseconds is BAD

EMC Configuration Wizard

EMC2 Stepper Mill Configuration **Basic machine information** Machine Name: my-mill Configuration directory: ~/emc2/configs/my-mill XYZ Axis configuration: Inch Machine units: Driver characteristics: (Multiply by 1000 for times specified in µs or microseconds) Driver type 5000 Step Time: 5000 Step Space: ‡ns 20000 Direction Hold: ‡ns 20000 Direction Setup: Parport Base Address: 0x378 Min Base Period: 30000 ns ns Latency test result: 15000 Max step rate: 33333 Hz ☑ Onscreen prompt for tool change





Step Timing Calc

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Required Direction Setup	1	<u>uS</u>		<u>.</u> .		
Required Direction Hold	20	иS				
Worst Case Latency	18	иS				
Recommended BASE_PERIOD	22.5	иS				
Actual BASE_PERIOD (after testing for lockup./slowdown)	22.5	иS				
stepgen.steplen	1	periods				
stepgen.stepspace	1	periods				
stepgen.dirsetup	1	periods				
stepgen.dirhold	2	periods				
Maximum step rate	22222	steps/sec				
Do not change these cells – they do the calculations!						
	method 1	method 2	method 3	method 4	best method	actual
Base Period	18.5	22.5	19	38	22.5	22.5
steplen	1	1	1	1	1	1
stepspace	2	1	2	1	1	1
dirsetup	2	1	1	1	1	1
dirhold	3	2	2	1	2	2
step period	55.5	45	57	76	45	45
				7	2	

EMC config files /home/user/emc2/

INI

The ini file overrides defaults that are compiled into the EMC code. It also provides sections that are read directly by the Hardware Abstraction Layer.

HAL

The hal files start up process modules and provide linkages between EMC signals and specific hardware pins.

VAR

The var file is a way for the interpreter to save some values from one run to the next. These values are saved from one run to another but not always saved immediately. See the Parameters section of the G Code Manual for information on what each parameter is.

TBL

The tbl file saves tool information. See Tool File section of the G Code Manual.

NML

The nml file configures the communication channels used by the EMC. It is normally setup to run all of the communication within a single computer but can be modified to communicate between several computers.

.emcrc

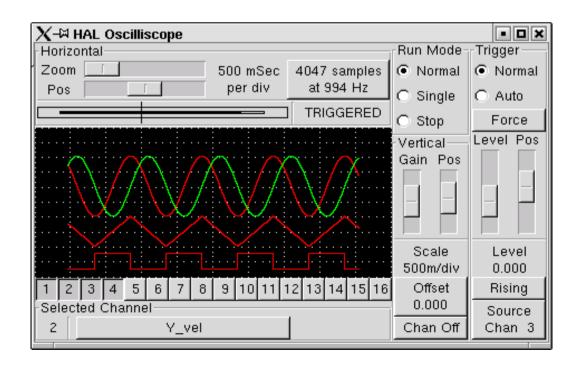
This file saves user specific information and is created to save the name of the directory when the user first selects an EMC configuration.2

HAL

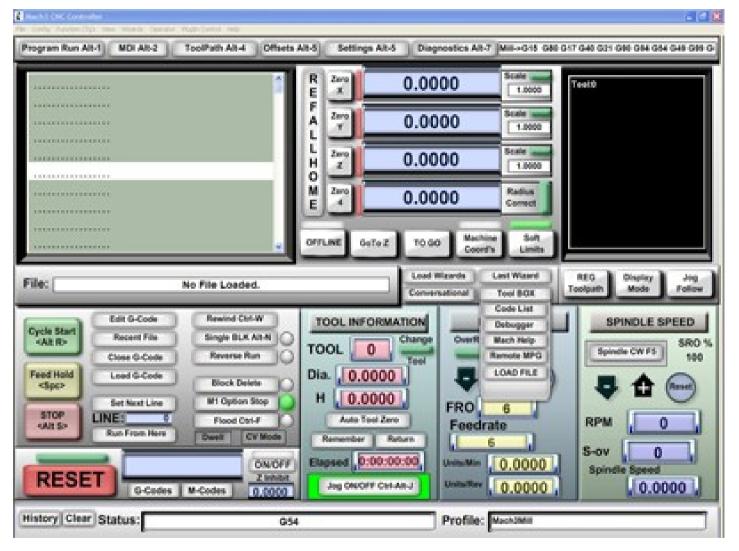
Hardware Abstraction Layer

Linkage between EMC signals and hardware pins

Halmeter Halscope



Examples of Commercial CNC Controllers



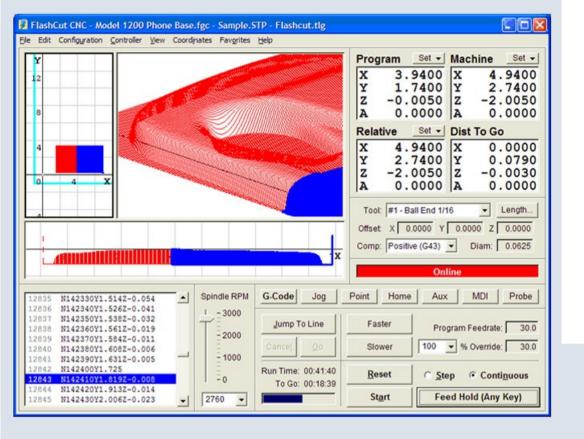
Mach 3

Windows 2000/XP Operating System

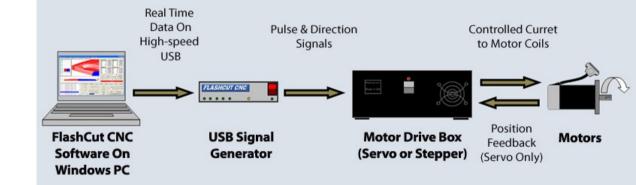
1Ghz CPU

512MB RAM

\$185



Flash Cut CNC





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