

GL/1200

Pulse-Input Servo Controller

Features

Dedicated single-chip controller for DC motors
Provides position and velocity control
Accepts feedback from an incremental encoder
Accepts input commands in pulse train format
Computes and reports position error
Operates with or without a tachometer
100,000:1 speed range
Phase-lock speed accuracy

Applications

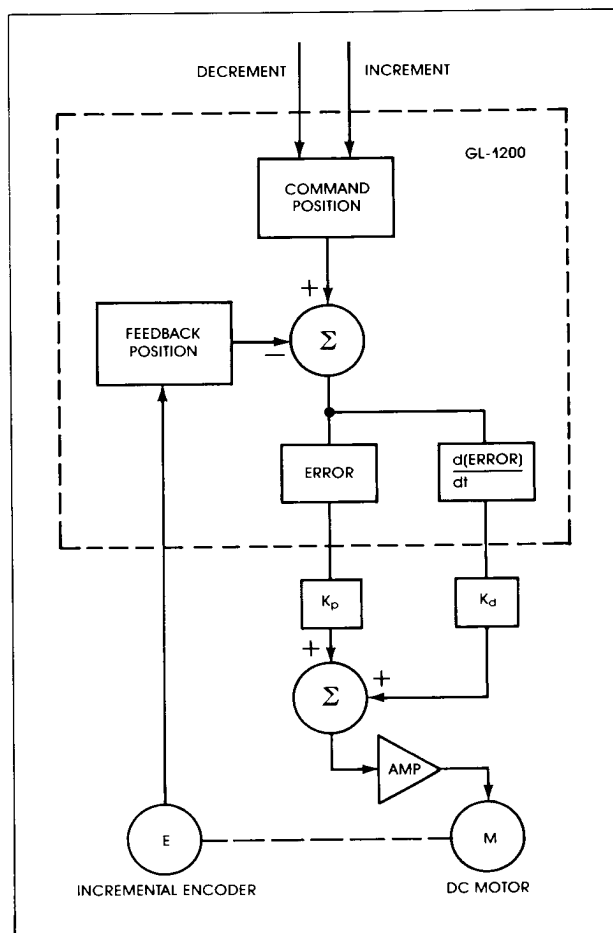
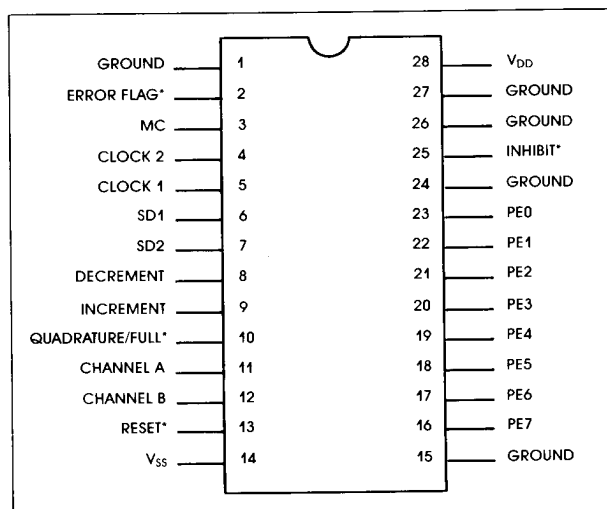
Step motor to servo motor conversions
Phase-locked loops

General Description

The GL-1200 is a single-chip controller contained in a 28-pin DIP. It provides closed-loop position and velocity control of a DC motor. The control chip accepts position feedback from a two channel, incremental encoder. The position command is accepted in a pulse train format. The actual position and command position are continuously stored and updated in a 12-bit register. The GL-1200 compares the actual position with the command position to form a 12-bit position error. Eight bits of the position error are pulse-width-modulated and output for motor control. The GL-1200 also computes the derivative of the position error for damping. This eliminates the need for velocity feedback from a tachometer.

The GL-1200 outputs the pulse-width-modulated position error and derivative of the position error. These signals, which are externally summed and converted into an analog signal, are the only output signals required for precise motor control. The system gain and damping are adjustable by external resistors for optimum performance.

The GL-1200 is a pulse following device. For example, a single pulse input command will cause the motor to move one encoder count. The velocity profile of the motor is determined by the pulse input frequency. If the encoder pulses fall too far behind the command pulses, the GL-1200 provides an error output which goes low when the controller is out of its 8-bit linear range. The position error may also be continuously monitored through the 8-bit error output port.



Motion Control System

Inputs

Clock 1: Connect external clock to this input. Maximum frequency is 5 MHz for GL-1200 and 10 MHz for the GL-1200-10.

Decrement: Decrements position command counter by one count for each rising edge on the decrement line.

Increment: Increments position command counter by one count for each rising edge on the increment line.

Quadrature/Full*: Selects input resolution. If low, each increment or decrement pulse will move the motor four quadrature counts or one full encoder cycle. If high, each command pulse causes a motion of one quadrature count.

Encoder: 2 channel, quadrature encoder. TTL level. The controller performs quadrature decoding of the encoder signals (4 x encoder cycles).

Reset*: Resets all position counters and tri-states the pulse-width-modulated position error output (MC).

Inhibit*: Tri-states the pulse-width-modulated position error output (MC).

Outputs

MC: Pulse-width-modulated position error. Must be summed with SD1 and SD2 as shown in Figure 1 to form the analog motor command signal.

SD1, SD2: TTL level system damping signals. Must be summed with MC as shown in Figure 1 to form the analog motor command signal.

Position Error Port: 8-bit position error port for monitoring position error.

Error Flag*: When this signal goes low, the position error is greater than 8 bits or ± 127 counts. If the error flag is low, the GL-1200 is out of its linear range and the motor command is saturated.

Clock 2: If an external clock is not used, connect an LC circuit, as shown in Example 4, between Clock 1 and Clock 2.

Control Algorithm

The control algorithm implemented is:

$$\text{Motor command} = K_p \cdot \text{PE} + K_d \cdot \frac{d}{dt} (\text{PE})$$

Where PE is the position error and K_p and K_d are the gain and damping coefficients.

Since the GL-1200 operates off a very fast clock, the algorithm may be assumed to be implemented continuously in time. The terms K_p and K_d are adjusted for optimum performance by the resistors, R_{damping} and R_{gain} . The circuit of Figure 1 has the parameters $K_p = 10$ volts per 128 counts and for $R_{\text{damping}} = 26.2 \text{ K } \Omega$, $K_d = 1$ volt per 10,000 counts/sec.

The velocity profile of the input command should also be adjusted such that the motor can follow the input command without the GL-1200 going into saturation.

System Evaluation

To evaluate the GL-1200, it is strongly recommended that the designer use the SSV-800 control card. This card contains the GL-1200 chip and interface circuitry, in addition to several features useful for system evaluation. These features include a 60-watt linear amplifier for driving DC motors, a variable frequency oscillator for stand-alone speed control, and a step-response test for adjustment of system gain and damping.

To simplify the system stabilization process, the SSV-800 contains a built-in step response test which inputs repeated step commands to the motor. The actual analog response of the motor is observed by connecting the SSV-800 test point to an oscilloscope. The designer then adjusts the K_p and K_d values for optimum response by turning the gain and damping knobs on the SSV-800.

To drive large motors, designers can use the PIC-850 pulse-input controller card. This controller has been optimized for large motors and high-density encoders by increasing the position error range to 16 bits.

Electrical Specifications

	Min	Typ	Max	Units	Comments
Inputs					
I_{supply}		3	5	mA	
All Inputs					TTL thresholds. High impedance
Outputs					
IOL at 0.4V				mA	
All (except MC)	1.6			mA	
MC	1.6			mA	Tri-state outputs
AC Timing (GL-1200)					
f_c CLK1 Input Frequency			5.1	MHz	
f_e Max Encoder Frequency			75	kHz	Full cycles†
			300	kHz	Quadrature counts†
f_i Input Command Frequency			75	kHz	Full cycles†
			300	kHz	Quadrature counts†
τ_{ipw} Input Pulse Width	6.4			μsec	Full cycles†
	1.6			μsec	Quadrature counts†
Encoder Duty Cycle	25	50	75	%	
AC Timing (GL-1200-10)					
f_c			10	MHz	
f_e			150	kHz	Full cycles†
			600	kHz	Quadrature counts†
f_i			150	kHz	Full cycles†
			600	kHz	Quadrature counts†
τ_{ipw}	3.2			μsec	Full cycles†
	.8			μsec	Quadrature counts†

*Active low

†Maximum value of f_e , f_i , τ_{ipw} are scaled by the clock frequency, f_c .

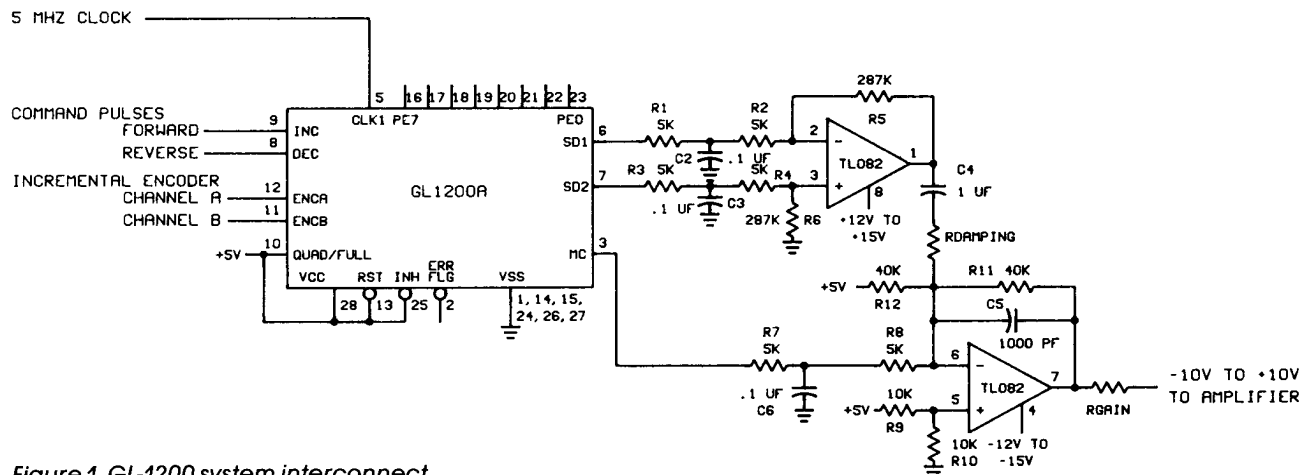


Figure 1. GL-1200 system interconnect

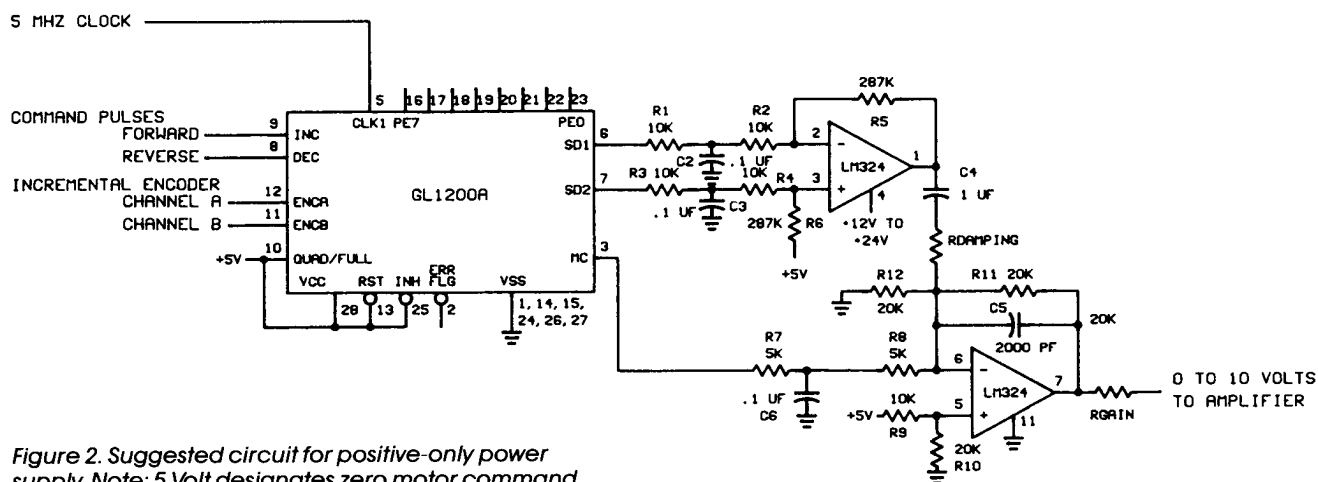


Figure 2. Suggested circuit for positive-only power supply. Note: 5 Volt designates zero motor command.

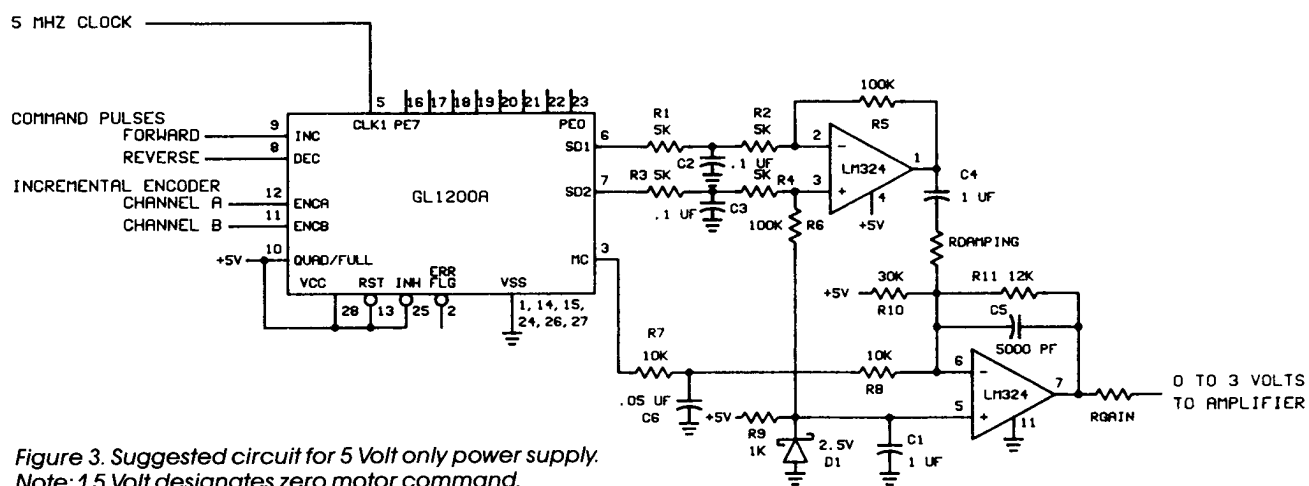
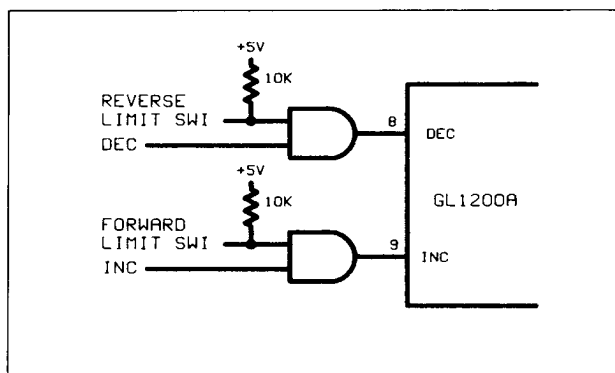


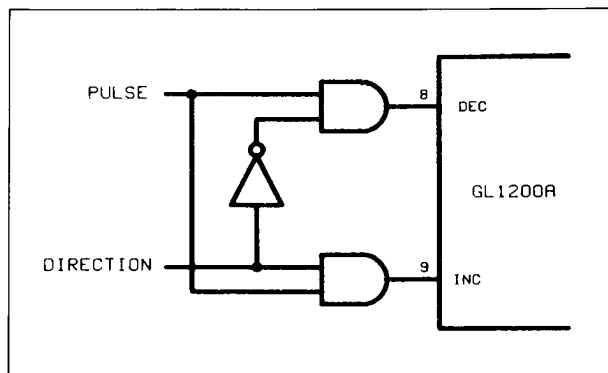
Figure 3. Suggested circuit for 5 Volt only power supply.
Note: 1.5 Volt designates zero motor command.

Example Applications



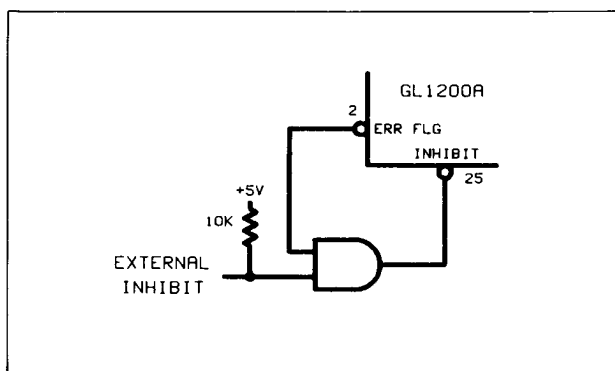
Example 1. Use of Limit Switches

This circuit shows how limit switches may be used to prevent motion in the forward or reverse direction.



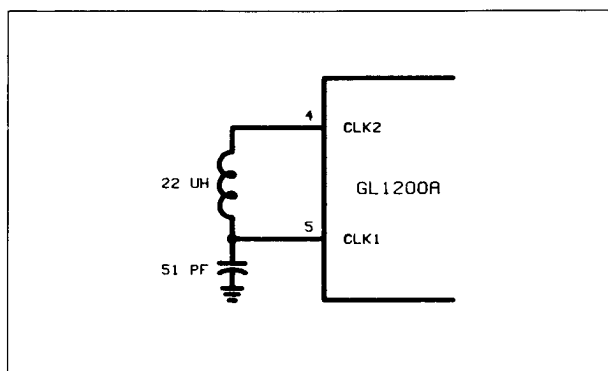
Example 3. Using Pulse and Direction Input Commands

This circuit shows how pulse and direction input commands may be converted into DEC and INC inputs.



Example 2. Using the Inhibit and Error Flag

If either an external inhibit signal or the Error Flag (position error $> \pm 127$ counts) goes low, the Inhibit pin will go low causing the MC output to be disabled.



Example 4. Using an LC Circuit for 5 MHz Clock

Ordering Information

Part Number	Description
GL-1200	Pulse Input chip, 5 MHz clock
GL-1200-10	Pulse Input chip, 10 MHz clock
SSV-800	Pulse Input trainer card
PIC-850	High Resolution Pulse Input Card

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