



SMD258C

User Manual

OVERVIEW

The SMD258C is a two-phase motor driver for hybrid stepper motors, supports 16 grades setting for both drive current and stepping subdivision, resolution up to 40000S/R. It is widely used in CNC equipment, sculpturing machine, cutting machine, etc.

FEATURES

- Wide range voltage input (DC 24V~80V)
- 16 grades stepping subdivision setting, resolution up to 40000S/R
- 16 grades drive current setting, adjustable between 0.5A/Phase and 5.0A/Phase
- Supports three control modes: common cathode, common anode, and differential
- Supports alerts for undervoltage, overvoltage, overheat, overcurrent
- Supports phase memory when power down
- Optical isolation for both I/O signal and input signal
- When the stepping pulse stops over 100ms, coil current will be halved automatically
- Comes with development resources and manual (examples for Raspberry Pi, STM32, Arduino)

SPECIFICATIONS

- Operating voltage: DC 24V ~ 80V
- Signal voltage: 4.2V ~ 24V
- Drive current: 0.5A ~ 5A
- Signal frequency: $\leq 150\text{KHz}$
- Control mode: common cathode, common anode, and differential

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HARDWARE



PINOUT

There are two sets of sockets and DIP switches.

| PIN | Description |
|-----|---|
| PU+ | Optical isolation positive port of pulse signals |
| PU- | Optical isolation negative port of pulse signals |
| DR+ | Optical isolation positive port of direction signals |
| DR- | Optical isolation negative port of direction signals |
| MF+ | Optical isolation positive port of motor-enable signals |
| MF- | Optical isolation negative port of motor-enable signals |
| A+ | Positive port of stepper motor winding A |
| A- | Negative port of stepper motor winding A |
| B+ | Positive port of stepper motor winding B |

| | |
|-----|--|
| B- | Negative port of stepper motor winding B |
| DC+ | 24~80V Power input |
| DC- | Ground |

PU+/PU-: Pulse signals. The width of signal should larger than 2.5us. Motor move one step for one signal

DR+/DR-: Direction signal

MF+/MF-: Motor enable signal

Connection ways:

Common Cathode: Connect PU-, DR- and MF- to GND, connect PU+, DR+ and MF+ to GPIO, high active;

Common Anode: Connect PU+, DR+ and MF+ to 5~24V, connect PU-, DR- and MF- to GPIO, low active;

Differential: Combine Command Cathode and Common Anode.

【Note】 Recommend Common Cathode connection

SUBDIVISION

Support microstepping subdivision and current subdivision.

MICROSTEPPING SUBDIVISION

User DIP switches to control microstepping.

| REV/PULSE | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|-----------|----|----|----|-----|
| 200 | ON | ON | ON | ON |
| 400 | ON | ON | ON | OFF |

| | | | | |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 800 | ON | ON | OFF | ON |
| 1000 | ON | ON | OFF | OFF |
| 1600 | ON | OFF | ON | ON |
| 2000 | ON | OFF | ON | OFF |
| 3200 | ON | OFF | OFF | ON |
| 4000 | ON | OFF | OFF | OFF |
| 5000 | OFF | ON | ON | ON |
| 6400 | OFF | ON | ON | OFF |
| 8000 | OFF | ON | OFF | ON |
| 10000 | OFF | ON | OFF | OFF |
| 12800 | OFF | OFF | ON | ON |
| 20000 | OFF | OFF | ON | OFF |
| 25600 | OFF | OFF | OFF | ON |
| 40000 | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF |

D1/D2/D3/D4 are DIP switches used to control microstepping, support 16 level subdividing, default 200 pulse/circle.

Generally, step angle for two-phase stepper motor is 1.8 degree, so if it is set to 200, it requires 200 pulse signals for every circle. $200 \times 1.8 = 360$

【Note】 You should re-power on module to take effect.

CURRENT SUBDIVISION

User DIP switches to control driving current.

| Ip(A) | Im(A) | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 0.7 | 0.5 | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF |
| 1.1 | 0.8 | OFF | OFF | OFF | ON |
| 1.7 | 1.2 | OFF | OFF | ON | OFF |
| 2.1 | 1.5 | OFF | OFF | ON | ON |
| 2.5 | 1.8 | OFF | ON | OFF | OFF |
| 2.8 | 2.0 | OFF | ON | OFF | ON |
| 3.2 | 2.3 | OFF | ON | ON | OFF |
| 3.5 | 2.5 | OFF | ON | ON | ON |
| 3.9 | 2.8 | ON | OFF | OFF | OFF |
| 4.2 | 3.0 | ON | OFF | OFF | ON |
| 4.5 | 3.2 | ON | OFF | ON | OFF |
| 4.9 | 3.5 | ON | OFF | ON | ON |
| 5.3 | 3.8 | ON | ON | OFF | OFF |
| 5.6 | 4.0 | ON | ON | OFF | ON |
| 6.3 | 4.5 | ON | ON | ON | OFF |
| 7.0 | 5.0 | ON | ON | ON | ON |

D1\D2\D3\D4 are DIP switches used to control driving current, support 16 level

controlling. Larger the current, larger the torque.

【Note】 You should re-power to take effect.

USE GUIDES

DOWNLOAD DEMO CODES

Please visit Waveshare Wiki, search with key words "SMD258C" . Download the demo code from [wiki](#),

Resources [\[edit\]](#)

- [User Manual](#)
- [Demo code](#)

Extract it and you can get these folders:

| | | |
|---|------------------|-----|
|  Arduino | 2018/11/26 19:18 | 文件夹 |
|  RaspberryPi | 2018/11/24 17:27 | 文件夹 |
|  STM32 | 2018/11/26 19:18 | 文件夹 |

Arduino¹: Demo code for Arduino UNO;

RaspberryPi: Demo codes for Raspberry Pi. (BCM2835, wiringPi and python)

STM32: Demo code for STM32, control board is STM32F103RBT6

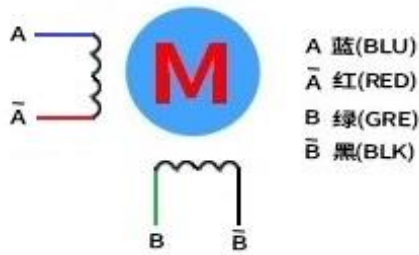
CONNECT STEPPER MOTORS

SMD258C is two-phase stepper motor driver, can drive two-phase or four-phase stepper motors.

Two-phase four lines:

Standard two-phase four lines stepper motor: blue, red, green, black. Blue line and red line are set to one set, green line and black line are one set. The corresponding pins are: A+ \A- \B+ \B-

¹ If you use other Arduino board, you should check if it is compatible with Arduino Uno, or modification is required.

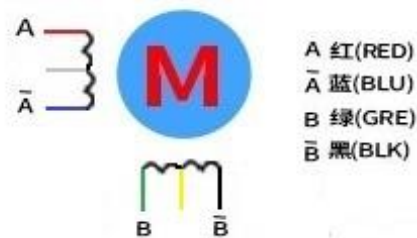


Two-phase six lines:

Standard two-phase six lines stepper motor: blue, red, green, black, white and yellow.

White and yellow lines are common terminals. The corresponding pins are: A+/A-

/B+/B-



Four-phase eight lines:

Standard four-phase eight lines stepper motor: blue, red, yellow, black, white, brown,

orange and green. There are four sets: red and yellow, blue and black, white and

orange, brown and green.



You can use two ways to connect four-phase eight lines stepper motor:

Series connection:

Inductance of coils turns larger, motor is stable, noise and hot reduces when in

low speed.

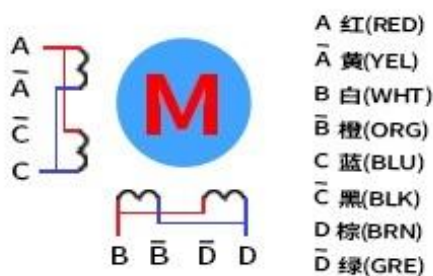
Series connect yellow line and black line, orange line and green line, connect red line to A+ of driver board, blue line to A-. white line to B+ and brown line is connected to B- of driver board separately. Usually used for low speed situation.



Parallel connection:

Inductance of coils turns smaller, high speeding performance, high torque.

However, motor requires about two times of rating current and get hot. Usually used for high speed situation.



There are also motors which have non-standard line color, in this case, you can try to detect resistance of every two lines. If resistance is detected, set these two lines to one set.

For examples, there are four lines: a, b, c, d. By detecting, we found that when detecting a and b line, it is about 1Ω, so we set a and b line to one set, c and d to one set.

Connect a and b line of motor to A+ and A- pins of driver board, c and d lines to B+ and B- pins. Run demo codes to test if motor works. If the motor cannot move, exchange B+ and B- and try again.

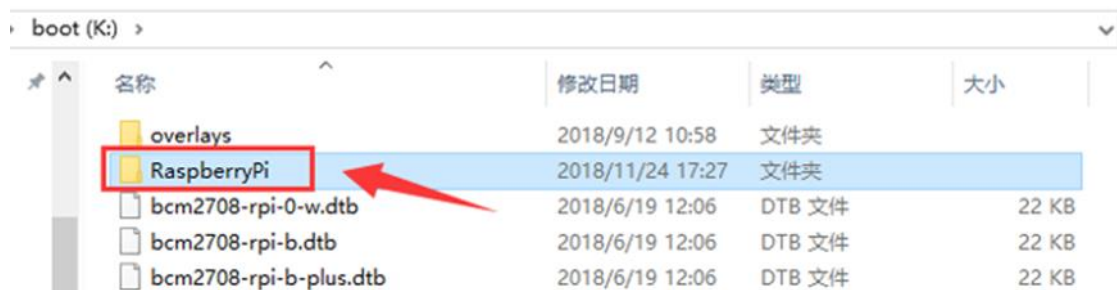
RASPBERRYPI EXAMPLES

COPY EXAMPLES TO RASPBERRY PI

1. Insert SD card which has Raspbian installed to your PC



2. Copy RaspberryPi extracted to root directory (BOOT) of SD card



3. Power on your Raspberry Pi and open Terminal, you can find that the examples is listed in boot directory

```

pi@raspberrypi:~$ ls /boot/
bcm2708-rpi-0-w.dtb  bcm2710-rpi-3-b.dtb  config.txt  fixup_x.dat  kernel.img  start_cd.elf
bcm2708-rpi-b.dtb  bcm2710-rpi-3-b-plus.dtb  COPYING.Linux  FSCK0000.REC  LICENSE.broadcom  start_db.elf
bcm2708-rpi-b-plus.dtb  bcm2710-rpi-cm3.dtb  fixup_cd.dat  FSCK0001.REC  LICENSE.oracle  start_elf
bcm2708-rpi-cm.dtb  bootcode.bin  fixup.dat  issue.txt  overlays  start_x.elf
bcm2709-rpi-2-b.dtb  cmdline.txt  fixup_db.dat  kernel7.img  RaspberryPi  System Volume Information
  
```

4. Copy the RaspberryPi folder to /home/pi and change its execute permission.

```

sudo cp -r /boot/RaspberryPi/ ./
sudo chmod 777 -R RaspberryPi/
  
```

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo cp -r /boot/RaspberryPi/ ./
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ ls
code libcode RaspberryPi RPiLib ubuntu usbdisk
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo chmod 777 -R RaspberryPi/
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ ls
code libcode RaspberryPi RPiLib ubuntu usbdisk
```

LIBRARIES INSTALLATION

To use demo codes, libraries should be installed first.

BCM2835 LIBRARY

Download link of the bcm2835 library: <http://www.airspayce.com/mikem/bcm2835/>

Download the library and copy it to raspberry pi without extracting. Open terminal of raspberry pi and install:

```
sudo tar zxvf bcm2835-1.xx.tar.gz

cd bcm2835-1.xx

sudo ./configure

make

sudo make check

sudo make install
```

Note: xx is version of the library you download. For example, if the version is bcm2835-1.52, you should complete the command to: sudo tar zxvf bcm2835-1.52.tar.gz

WIRINGPI LIBRARY

Open Terminal and install wiringPi with commands below:

```
sudo apt-get install git

sudo git clone git://git.drogon.net/wiringPi

cd wiringPi

sudo ./build
```

PYTHON LIBRARY

Open Terminal and execute commands to install:

```
sudo apt-get install python-pip

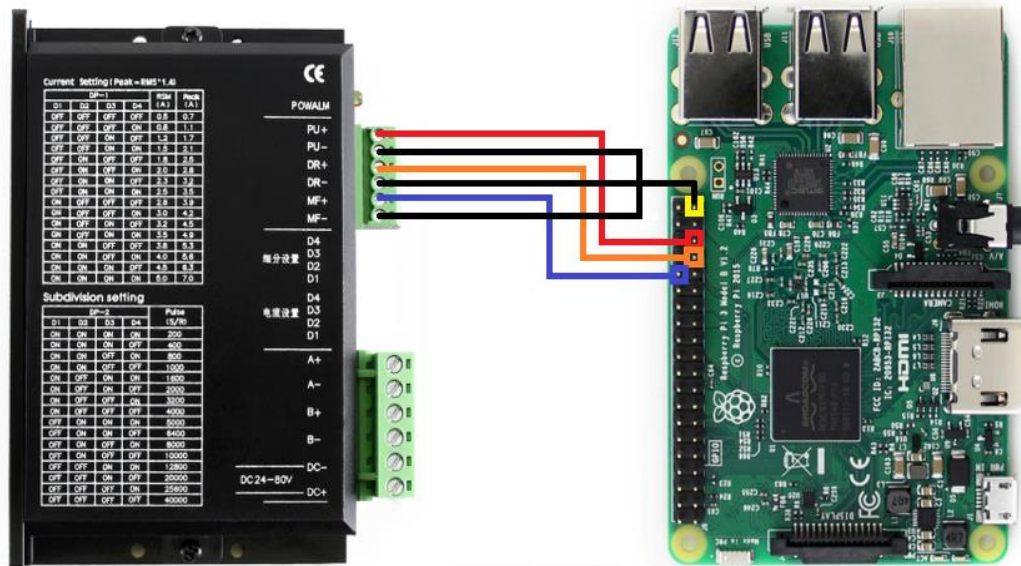
sudo pip install RPi.GPIO

sudo pip install spidev
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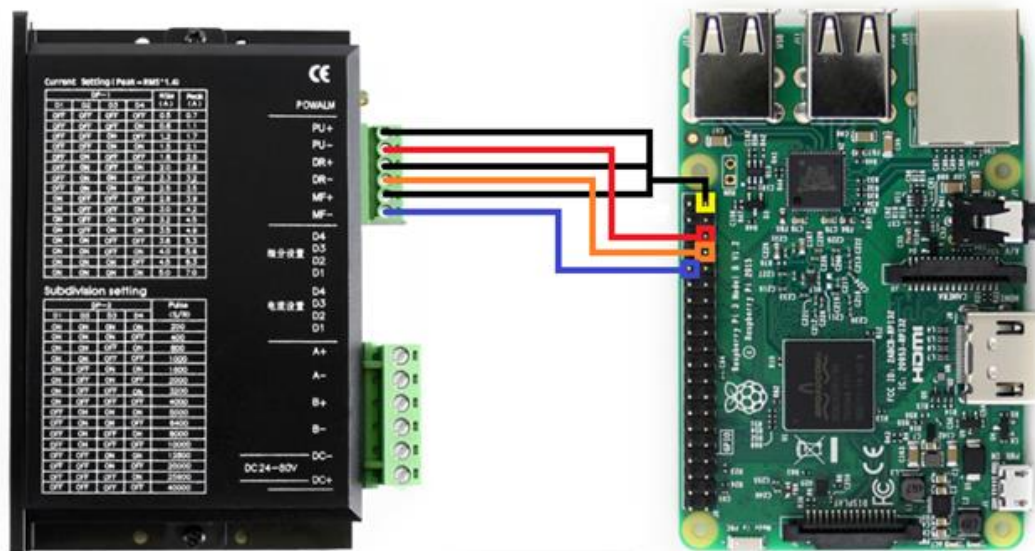
HARDWARE CONNECTION

| Driver | RaspberryPi(BCM2835) | |
|--------|----------------------|--------------|
| | Common Cathode | Common Anode |
| PU+ | 19 | 5V |
| PU- | GND | 19 |
| DR+ | 13 | 5V |
| DR- | GND | 13 |
| MF+ | 12 | 5V |
| MF- | GND | 12 |

Common Cathode



Common Anode



【Note】 Common Cathode: High active; Common Anode: Low active

RUNNING DEMO CODE

- BCM2835:

cd bcm2835

sudo ./motor

- wiringpi:

```
cd wiringpi
```

```
sudo ./motor
```

- python:

```
cd python
```

```
sudo python main.py
```

- Expected result:

Motor will rotate a circle clockwise and then rotate two circles anticlockwise

STM32 EXAMPLE

The development board used is XNUCLEO-F103RB. Project is based on HAL library

| Driver | XNUCLEO-F103RB | |
|--------|----------------|--------------|
| | Common Cathode | Common Anode |
| PU+ | PB4 | 5V |
| PU- | GND | PB4 |
| DR+ | PB10 | 5V |
| DR- | GND | PB10 |
| MF+ | PB8 | 5V |
| MF- | GND | PB8 |

【Note】 Common Cathode: High active; Common Anode: Low active

ARDUINO EXAMPLES

| Driver | Arduino UNO | |
|--------|----------------|--------------|
| | Common Cathode | Common Anode |
| PU+ | 5 | 5V |
| PU- | GND | 5 |
| DR+ | 6 | 5V |
| DR- | GND | 6 |
| MF+ | 7 | 5V |
| MF- | GND | 7 |

【Note】 Common Cathode: High active; Common Anode: Low active

FAQ

1. Why motor and driver board get very hot?

Energy efficiency of stepper motor is very low, has only 20%~30% useful work, others become heat. So, stepper motor will get very hot after running for long time. Do not touch!!!

2. Why doesn' t motor work and only be shaking?

Motor shake when lack-phase, try to connect motor with Dupont lines if both interfaces of module cannot work properly

3. Why do motor desynchronize?

The phase current is based on torsion of stepper motor. You can adjust the blue potentiometer if motor desynchronize.

4. Why do motor sound "si, si" when stopping?

It is normal phenomenon.

5. How to use RS232 interface on board.

The RS232 interface is used to factory configure driver board, which is unavailable for users.