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USER MANUAL NI SMD-7620/7621

This manual describes the NI SMD-7620 and the NI SMD-7621 stepper motor drives. It describes electrical and mechanical characteristics of the devices, as well as I/O functionality.

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Caution The NI SMD-7620/7621 must be installed inside a suitable enclosure

prior to use. Hazardous voltages are present.

Input and Output Functions

Table 1.	IN/OUT1	Connector
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X1	X2	X3	Y1	Y2
Step	Direction	Alarm reset	Fault	Brake



Note I/O functions are configured using the NI Stepper Configuration Utility software.

What You Need to Get Started

You need the following items to get started:

- \Box 120 VAC or 220 VAC power.
- \Box a compatible stepper motor

- a small flat blade screwdriver for tightening the connectors
- \square a PC running Microsoft Windows 7/Vista/XP with an available Ethernet port.
- A CAT5 Ethernet cable (not included)
- NI Stepper Configuration Utility Software, available from ni.com/downloads

If you are a new NI SMD-7620/7621 user you will want to familiarize yourself with the drive and the configuration software before you try to deploy the system in your application. We strongly recommend the following:

- 1. Install the NI Stepper Configuration Utility software application.
- 2 Launch the software by clicking Start»Programs»National Instruments.
- Connect the drive to your PC using Ethernet and set the IP address. Refer to Connecting the 3. Drive to Your PC using Ethernet for more information.
- 4 Connect the drive to the motor. Refer to *Connecting the Motor* for more information.
- 5. Connect the drive to the AC power. Refer to *Connecting AC Power* for more information.
- 6. Apply power to the drive.
- Set the IP address of the software to match the drive 7

The connectors and other points of interest are illustrated below. These are detailed later in the manual.

Figure 2 shows an overview of the connectors on the NI SMD-7610 stepper drive.

Figure 2. NI SMD-7620/7621 Stepper Drive Connectors



- Motor and AC Power Connector
- 4 Motor Selection Rotary Switch

2 Input and Output Signals 3

5 **RJ45 Ethernet Connector**

Drive Status LEDs

Connecting the Drive to Your PC using Ethernet

This process requires three steps:

- 1. Physically connect the drive to your network (or directly to the PC).
- 2 Set the drive IP address.
- Set the appropriate networking properties on your PC. 3

Your drive includes a 16 position rotary switch for setting its IP address. The factory default address for each switch setting is shown in the table below.

Position	IP Address	
0	10.10.10.10	
1	192.168.1.10	
2	192.168.1.20	
3	192.168.1.30	
4	192.168.0.40	
5	192.168.0.50	
6	192.168.0.60	245
7	192.168.0.70	22400-1
8	192.168.0.80	2,4,8
9	192.168.0.90	~008d
Α	192.168.0.100	
В	192.168.0.110	
С	192.168.0.120	
D	192.168.0.130	
Е	192.168.0.140	
F	DHCP	

Table 2. IP Address Rotary Switch Settings

Settings 1 through E can be changed using the NI Stepper Configuration Utility software (use Quick Tuner for servo drives). Setting 0 is always 10.10.10.10, the universal recovery address.

Setting F is DHCP, which commands the drive to get an IP address from a DHCP server on the network. The IP address automatically assigned by the DHCP server may be dynamic or static depending on how the administrator has configured DHCP. The DHCP setting is reserved for advanced users.

Your PC, or any other device that you use to communicate with the drive, will also have a unique address.

On the drive, switch settings 1 through E use the standard class B subnet mask (i.e. 255.255.0.0). The mask for the universal recovery address is the standard class A (i.e. 255.0.0.0).

Option 1: Connect a Drive to Your LAN

If you have a spare port on a switch or router and if you are able to set your drive to an IP address that is compatible with your network, and not used by anything else, this is a simple way to get connected. This technique also allows you to connect multiple drives to your PC. If you are on a corporate network, check with your system administrator before connecting anything new to the network. He or she should be able assign you a suitable address and help you get going.



Figure 3. Example Network Configuration

Many networks use dynamic addressing where a DHCP server assigns addresses on demand. The address you choose for your drive might get assigned to something else by the DHCP server at another time.

Once you've chosen an appropriate IP address for your drive, set the rotary switch according to the address table above. If none of the default addresses are acceptable for your network, you can enter a new table of IP addresses using the NI Stepper Configuration Utility. If your network uses addresses starting with 192.168.0, the most common subnet, you will want to choose an address from switch settings 4 through E. Another common subnet is 192.168.1. If your network uses addresses in this range, the compatible default selections are 1, 2 and 3. If your PC address is not in one of the above private subnets, you will have to change your subnet mask to 255.255.0.0 in order to communicate with your drive. To change your subnet mask:

- On Windows XP, right click My Network Places and select Properties. On Windows 7, click Computer. Scroll down the left pane until you see Network. Right-click and select Properties. Select Change adapter settings.
- 2. Right-click your network interface card (NIC) and select Properties.
- 3. Scroll down until you see **Internet Properties (TCP/IP)**. Select this item and click the **Properties** button. On Windows 7 and Vista, look for (**TCP/IPv4**).
- 4. If the **Obtain an IP address automatically** option is selected, your PC is getting an IP address and a subnet mask from the DHCP server. Cancel this dialog and proceed to the *Using DHCP* section.
- 5. If the option Use the following IP address is selected, change the subnet mask to 255.255.0.0 and click OK.

Using DHCP

If you want to use your drive on a network where all or most of the devices use dynamic IP addresses supplied by a DHCP server, set the rotary switch to "F". When the drive is connected to the network and powered on, it will obtain an IP address and a subnet mask from the server that is compatible with your PC. However, you will not know what address the server assigns to

the drive. The NI Stepper Configuration Utility can find your drive using the **Drive Discovery** feature, as long as your network isn't too large. When the drive connected to the network is powered on, select **Drive Discovery** from the **Drive** menu to launch the **Network Interface Dialog** dialog box.

Network Inte	rface Dialog	
Local Host IP	Netmask.	
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Figure 4. Network Interface Dialog Dialog Box

Normally, Drive Discovery only detects one network interface card (NIC), and selects it automatically. If you are using a laptop and have both wireless and wired network connections, a second NIC may appear. Please select the NIC that you use to connect to the network to which you've connected your drive. Then click **OK**. Drive Discovery notifies you as soon as it has detected a drive.

If you think this is the correct drive, click **Yes**. If you are not sure, click **Not Sure** and Drive Discovery will look for additional drives on you network. Once you have told Drive Discovery which drive is yours, it automatically enters the drive IP address in the IP address text box so that you are ready to communicate.

Option 2: Connect a Drive Directly to Your PC

- 1. Connect one end of a CAT5 Ethernet cable into the LAN card (NIC) on your PC and the other into the drive. You don't need a special crossover cable; the drive automatically detects the direct connection and make the necessary physical layer changes.
- 2. Set the IP address on the drive to 10.10.10.10 by setting the rotary switch to position 0.
- 3. To set the IP address of your PC:
 - a. On Windows XP, right-click My Network Places and select Properties.
 - b. On Windows 7, click **Computer**. Scroll down the left pane until you see **Network**. Right-click and select **Properties**. Select **Change adapter settings**.

- 4. Right-click your network interface card (NIC) and select Properties.
 - a. Scroll down until you see **Internet Properties (TCP/IP)**. Select this item and click the **Properties** button.
 - b. On Windows 7 and Vista, look for (TCP/IPv4).
- 5. Select Use the following IP address and enter the address 10.10.11. This assigns your PC an IP address that is on the same subnet as the drive. Windows directs any traffic intended for the drive's IP address to this interface card.
- 6. Next, enter the subnet mask as 255.255.255.0.
- 7. Leave **Default gateway** blank. This prevents your PC from looking for a router on this subnet.



Note Because you are connected directly to the drive, anytime the drive is not powered you will receive a small message bubble in the corner of your screen saying "The network cable is unplugged."

Option 3: Use Two Network Interface Cards (NICs)

This technique allows you to keep your PC connected to your LAN, but keeps the drive off the LAN, preventing possible IP conflicts or excessive traffic.

- 1. If you use a desktop PC and have a spare card slot, install a second NIC and connect it directly to the drive using a CAT5 cable. You don't need a special "crossover cable"; the drive will automatically detect the direct connection and make the necessary physical layer changes.
- 2. If you use a laptop and only connect to your LAN using wireless networking, you can use the built-in RJ45 Ethernet connection as your second NIC.
- 3. Set the IP address on the drive to 10.10.10.10 by setting the rotary switch to position 0.
- 4. To set the IP address of the second NIC:
 - a. On Windows XP, right-click My Network Places and select Properties.
 - b. On Windows 7, click **Computer**. Scroll down the left pane until you see **Network**. Right-click and select **Properties**. Select **Change adapter settings**.
- 5. Right-click your network interface card (NIC) and select **Properties**.
 - a. Scroll down until you see **Internet Properties (TCP/IP)**. Select this item and click the **Properties** button.
 - b. On Windows 7 and Vista, look for (TCP/IPv4).
- 6. Select **Use the following IP address** and enter the address 10.10.11. This assigns your PC an IP address that is on the same subnet as the drive. Windows directs any traffic intended for the drive's IP address to this interface card.
- 7. Next, enter the subnet mask as 255.255.25.0.
- 8. Leave **Default gateway** blank. This prevents your PC from looking for a router on this subnet.



Note Because you are connected directly to the drive, anytime the drive is not powered you will receive a small message bubble in the corner of your screen saying "The network cable is unplugged."

Connecting AC Power

Using the connector supplied connect to the AC supply per the diagram below. Use 16 AWG wire for Line (L) and Neutral (N). Use 14 AWG for Earth Ground.

Care should always be taken when working with high voltages.

In regions where the single-phase supply is higher, an auto transformer can be used to drop the voltage to the correct level.

Fusing

The NI SMD-7620 contains an internal 8 A fast acting fuse. The NI SMD-7621 contains an internal 3.5 A fast acting fuse. If an external fuse is desired, we recommend a 6 A fast acting fuse for the NI SMD-7620 and a 3 A fast acting fuse for the NI SMD-7621.

Line Filter

For applications requiring CE EMC compliance, a Corcom 6ET1 line filter is required in series with the AC input as shown in Figure 5.



Figure 5. Line FIlter Installed on AC Input

Connecting the Motor



Caution Never connect or disconnect the motor while the power is on.

Note It is highly recommended that you use a motor with a shielded cable with the NI SMD-7620/7621. Always connect the cable drain wire to the drive's earth ground terminal (next to the A+ terminal).

The recommended motors for the NI SMD-7620/7621 include shielded cables. Refer to the *Recommended Motors* section for a list of part numbers. The recommended motors should be connected to NI SMD-7620 drives in parallel, and to NI SMD-7621 drives in series. Refer to Figures 6 and 7 for connection diagrams showing series and parallel connection, respectively.

Be sure to connect the cable shield for safety and to minimize electrical interference.



Note Motor wire colors are correct for NI stepper motors compatible with the NI SMD-7620/7621. These wire colors may not match a third-party stepper motor.



Figure 6. Eight Leads Connected in Series

Figure 7. Eight Leads Connected in Parallel



Connecting Other Motors

National Instruments recommends using one of the motors in the *Recommended Motors* section for the best user experience and system performance. If you are using a different motor, refer to the following figures for connection information.

Four lead motors can only be connected as shown in Figure 8.





Six lead motors can be connected in series or center tap. In series mode, motors produce more torque at low speeds, but cannot run as fast as in the center tap configuration. In series operation, the motor should be operated at 30% less than the rated current to prevent overheating. Winding diagrams for both connection methods are shown below. NC means not connected.

Figure 9. Six Leads Connected in Series







Eight lead motors can also be connected in two ways: series and parallel. As with six lead motors, series operation gives you less torque at high speeds, but may result in lower motor losses and less heating. In series operation, the motor should be operated at 30% less than the unipolar rated current. The wiring diagrams for eight lead motors without shielded cables are shown below.









I/O Functions

I/O functionality is configured using the NI Stepper Configuration Utility software.

IN/OUT1 Connector				
X1 X2 X3 Y1 Y2				Y2
Step	Direction	Alarm reset or Enable Motor	Fault	Brake

Table 4. Additional I/O Details

IN/OUT1 Connector					
X1 X2 X3 Y1 Y2					Y2
Voltage range	5-24 V	5-24 V	5-24 V	30 V max	30 V max
Speed range	2 MHz	2 MHz	Low	Low	Low
Digital filter option	Y	Y	Y	N/A	N/A

Connecting Input Signals

The NI SMD-7620/7621 drives have two types of inputs:

- High speed digital inputs for step & direction commands, 5 to 24 V logic. These inputs are available on X1/STEP and X2/DIR. The connection can be sourcing, sinking or differential.
- Lower speed digital input for other signals, 5 to 24 V logic. The connection can be sourcing, sinking or differential signals. This input is available on X3/EN.





High Speed Digital Inputs

All NI SMD-7620/7621 drives include two high speed inputs called STEP and DIR. They accept 5 to 24 V single-ended or differential signals, up to 2 MHz. These inputs connect to an external controller that provides step & direction command signals.

Refer to the following figures for connection diagrams.











Figure 17. Connecting to Indexer with Differential Outputs



Enable Input

NI SMD-7620/7621 drives include a lower speed input called X3/EN. This input accepts 5-24 V single-ended or differential signals, but only at lower speeds than STEP and DIR.

Refer to the following figures for connection diagrams.





Connecting the Enable input as shown in Figure 19 causes the drive to disable when the relay is closed and enable when the relay is open.



Figure 19. Connecting a Mechanical Switch to the Enable Input

Connecting the Enable signal as shown in Figures 20 and 21 causes the drive to disable when the proximity sensor activates.

Figure 20. Connecting an NPN Proximity Sensor to the Enable Input



Figure 21. Connecting an PNP Proximity Sensor to the Enable Input



Programmable Outputs

NI SMD-7620/7621 drives feature two digital outputs. These outputs can be set to automatically control a motor brake or to signal a fault condition.



Figure 22. DB-15 Connector

The outputs can be used to drive LEDs, relays and the inputs of other electronic devices like PLCs and counters. For Y1 and Y2, the "+" (collector) and "-" (emitter) terminals of each transistor are available at the connector. This allows you to configure each output for current sourcing or sinking.

Diagrams of each type of connection follow.









NI SMD-7620

All motors should be connected in parallel when used with the NI SMD-7620.

Part	Holding Torque		Drive Current	Lei	ngth	Rotor Inertia
Number	(oz-in)	(N-m)	(A)	(in)	(mm)	(g-cm²)
ST23-3	84.4	0.60	1.5	1.71	43.8	120
ST23-5	167	1.18	1.5	2.16	54.8	300
ST23-7	255	1.80	1.8	3.05	77.5	480
ST34-3	555	3.92	5.0	3.11	79	1600
ST34-6	1110	7.84	5.0	4.63	117.5	3200
ST34-9	1694	11.96	5.0	6.14	156	4800

Table 5. Suggested Motors for the NI SMD-7620



Note The Drive Current values shown here differs from the rated current of each motor because the rated current is RMS and the drive current setting is peak sine. If you are using a motor not listed here, for best results set the drive current at the motor's rated current x 1.2

NI SMD-7621

All motors should be connected in series when used with the NI SMD-7621.

Part	Holding Torque		Drive Current	Lei	ngth	Rotor Inertia
Number	(oz-in)	(N-m)	(A)	(in)	(mm)	(g-cm²)
ST23-3	84.4	0.60	0.75	1.71	43.8	120
ST23-5	167	1.18	0.75	2.16	54.8	300
ST23-7	255	1.80	0.90	3.05	77.5	480
ST34-3	555	3.92	2.55	3.11	79	1600
ST34-6	1110	7.84	2.55	4.63	117.5	3200
ST34-9	1694	11.96	2.55	6.14	156	4800

Table 6. Suggested Motors for the NI SMD-7621



Note The Drive Current value shown here differs from the rated current of each motor because the rated current is RMS and the drive current setting is peak sine. If you are using a motor not listed here, for best results set the drive current at the motor's rated current x 1.2

Torque Speed Curves

The following torque curves were measured at 20,000 steps/rev.

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Figure 25. Torque Curve for ST23-3/ST23-5/ST23-7



Figure 26. Torque Curve for ST34-3/ST34-6/ST34-9

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Figure 27. Torque Curve for ST23-3/ST23-5/ST23-7





Figure 28. Torque Curve for ST34-3/ST34-6/ST34-9

Motor Heating

Step motors convert electrical power from the drive into mechanical power to move a load. Because step motors are not perfectly efficient, some of the electrical power turns into heat on its way through the motor. This heating is not so much dependent on the load being driven but rather the motor speed and power supply voltage. There are certain combinations of speed and voltage at which a motor cannot be continuously operated without damage.

The following figures show the maximum duty cycle versus speed for each motor and drive. Please refer to these curves when planning your application.

Please also keep in mind that a step motor typically reaches maximum temperature after 30 to 45 minutes of operation. If you run the motor for one minute then let it sit idle for one minute, that is a 50% duty cycle. Five minutes on and five minutes off is also 50% duty. However, one hour on and one hour off has the effect of 100% duty because during the first hour the motor will reach full (and possibly excessive) temperature.

The actual temperature of the motor depends on how much heat is conducted, convected or radiated out of it. The measurements were made in a 40°C (104°F) environment with the motor mounted to an aluminum plate sized to provide a surface area consistent with the motor power dissipation. Your results may vary.

























Drive Heating

While the NI SMD-7620/7621 drives efficiently transmit power between the AC power and motor, they do generate some heat in the process. This will cause the temperature of the drive to rise above the surrounding air temperature and may also require that the drive be mounted to a heat conducting metal surface.

To calculate the power dissipation and temperature rise, the following information is provided.

Given:

drive power dissipation P_d versus motor (see tables below)

drive thermal constant R_Q

The final drive case temperature is given by:

$$T_C = T_a + R_Q * P_d$$

where T_a is the ambient temperature of the surrounding air. The case of the drive should not be allowed to exceed 70°C or the life of the product could be reduced.

Drive thermal constant (with drive mounted on a 15.75 \times 15.75 in. steel plate, 0.040 in. thick): $R_{\rm Q}{=}\,0.87~^{\circ}{\rm C/W}$

	SMD-76	620	SMD-762	1
Motor	Current (Amp)	Loss (W)	Current (Amp)	Loss (W)
ST23-3	1.5	9.61	0.75	10.2
ST23-5	1.5	8.99	0.75	10.4
ST23-7	1.8	10.34	0.90	12.1
ST34-3	5	28.2	2.55	18.6
ST34-6	5	24.5	2.55	17.6
ST34-9	5	24.5	2.55	20.8

Table 7. Max Loss vs. Motor

Mounting the Drive

Use #6 screws to mount your drive. If possible, the drive should be securely fastened to a smooth, flat metal surface that will help conduct heat away from the chassis. If this is not possible, then forced airflow from a fan may be required to prevent the drive from overheating.

Never use your drive in a space where there is no air flow or where other devices cause the surrounding air to be more than 40 $^{\circ}$ C.

Never put the drive where it can get wet or where metal or other electrically conductive particles can get on the circuitry.

Always provide air flow around the drive. When mounting multiple drives near each other, maintain at least one half inch of space between drives.



Figure 36. Front Panel of the Drive



Amplifier type	Digital MOSFET, dual H-bridge, 4 quadrant
Current control	4 state PWM at 16 kHz
Output current	
SMD-7620	0.5-5.0 amps/phase (peak of sine) in 0.01 amp increments
SMD-7621	.0.5-2.55 amps/phase (peak of sine) in 0.01 amp increments
Power supply	
SMD-7620	94-135 VAC, 50/60 Hz
SMD-7621	94-245 VAC, 50/60 Hz

Protection	. Over-voltage, under-voltage, over-temp, motor/wiring shorts (phase-to-phase, phase-to-ground), internal amp shorts.
Motor inductance	
SMD-7620	. 5-20 mH
SMD-7621	. 20-60 mH
Motor regeneration	. Built-in regeneration circuit, 10 watts maximum
Idle current reduction	. Reduction range of 0-90% of running current after delay selectable in milliseconds
Microstep resolution	. Software selectable from 200 to 51200 steps/rev in increments of 2 steps/rev
Microstep emulation	. Performs high resolution stepping by synthesizing fine microsteps from coarse steps.
Anti-resonance	. Raises the system damping ratio to eliminate midrange instability and allow stable operation throughout the speed range and improves settling time.
Torque ripple smoothing	Allows for fine adjustment of phase current waveform harmonic content to reduce low-speed torque ripple in the range of 0.25 to 1.5 rps.
Communication interface	. Ethernet 100BASE-T, supports TCP and UDP
Inputs/Outputs	
X1, X2 inputs	. Optically isolated, differential, 5-24 VDC logic (2.5 V switching threshold), minimum pulse width = 250 ns, maximum pulse frequency = 2 MHz , $2 \mu \text{s}$ minimum set up time for direction signal, maximum current = 10 mA
X3 input	. Optically isolated, differential, 5-24 VDC logic (2.5 V switching threshold), 50 μ s minimum pulse width, maximum current = 10 mA.
Y1, Y2 outputs	. Optical darlington, sinking or sourcing, 30 VDC max, 100 mA max, voltage drop = 1.2V max at 100 mA.
Non-volatile storage	. Drive configuration is stored in FLASH memory onboard the DSP
Agency approvals	. RoHS CE EN61800-3:2004, EN61800-5-1:2003 UL 508c
Humidity	.90% maximum, non-condensing

Ambient temperature	.0 to 40 °C (32 to 104 °F) with adequate ventilation
Dimensions	$.2.0 \times 4.5 \times 5.5$ inches overall
Weight	.22.4 oz (630 g)

Alarm Codes

In the event of an error, the green LED on the main board will flash one or two times, followed by a series of red flashes. The pattern repeats until the alarm is cleared.

Blink sequence	Code	Error
G	Solid green	No alarm, motor disabled
GG	Flashing green	No alarm, motor disabled
RGG	1 red, 2 green	Move attempted while drive disabled
RRRG	3 red, 1 green	Drive overheating
RRRGG	3 red, 2 green	Internal voltage out of range
RRRRG	4 red, 1 green	Power supply overvoltage or excess regen
RRRRGG	4 red, 2 green	Power supply undervoltage
RRRRGGG	4 red, 3 green	Flash memory backup error
RRRRG	5 red, 1 green	over current, short circuit
RRRRRG	6 red, 1 green	open motor winding
RRRRRRG	7 red, 1 green	Serial communication error
RRRRRRGG	7 red, 2 green	Flash memory error

Table 8. Blink Code Definitions

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