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Motion control @ ESS

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Overview



- Hardware
- Software
- Collaboration
- Work to be done

Hardware



- All motion today is EtherCAT based
- Different motor terminals covering a range of:
- Stepper 8..50V 3.5 A (rms)
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- Servo 100..480V 6A

More hardware



- Most work is done outside ESS, "in kind": List with recommendations
- Level A: first choice
- Level B: second choice
- Neither A nor B: "special"
- https://confluence.esss.lu.se/display/MCAG/ Motion+control+electronics

Software



- 3 layers:
- High level (CSS, NICOS with scan engine)
 - EPICS with motor
 - SW running in the motion controller.

SW platforms Motion Controller



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 Commercial : Beckhoff TwinCAT "Industrially proven" International working group (.de, .uk, .se)

 Open Source : "ECMC" under Linux Motion controller & EPICS IOC on same CPU "works very well"

motorRecord



- Some patches done @ ESS:
 - All configuration is done in TwinCAT:
 The IOC reads it into the motorRecord fields
 - Allow the record to be configured NOT to stop the motor on a limit switch
 - Better connection handling ("late connect"):
 IOC is started before controller
- ACCS field for acceleration
 Better debug prints ("SPAM" field)

Challanges @ ESS



- Common HW list
- E-plan drawings, PIN layout
- Common code for TwinCAT
- Automated testing
- TwinCAT EPICS IOC communication
 "dig out all configuration from MCU"
 - "Motor position every 10 msec"

Hardware @ ESS



- HW has been build outside ESS :-)
- Motion control (hardware) standards: https://confluence.esss.lu.se/display/MCAG/ Motion+Control+Hardware+Standards
- EtherCAT HW catalogue: https://confluence.esss.lu.se/display/MCAG/ Motion+control+electronics





- Training material
- TwinCAT:

https://confluence.esss.lu.se/display/MCAG/ Commissioning+Workflow+TwinCAT

• ECMC:

https://indico.esss.lu.se/event/1156/

Test crate





Thanks



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Merci & Thanks