

# 3 Axis (X, Y, Z) Stepping Motor Controller (Rev 3.0 Dec09)

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This is a 3 Axis (X,Y,Z) CNC stepping motor controller/Driver. It built-in a spindle relay and all input is optical isolated from the outside providing safe (no feedback to your PC) and better response time. Support Mach2, Mach3, ArtCam, KCam. You can apply this card to a CNC machine or upgrade your old CNC machine to take advantage of new technology. It works for CO2 laser machine as well

## Features:

- \* Optical isolation for data In/Out
- \* Relay control for spindle (or laser)
- \* Four step speed setting
- \* High current Output
- \* Big Heat sink support up to 2.5A



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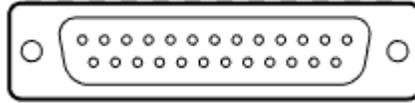
## Specification:

- \* In/Out Interface port: Parallel
- \* Built in Relay control for spindle
- \* Support 2/4 phases 4, 6, 8 wires stepping motor
- \* High speed optical isolation coupling
- \* Built in No. 4 Axis interface for expansion
- \* LED indicators for each Axis & Relay
- \* Current: 2A (2.5A max)
- \* Resolution: 1/8, 1/4, 1/2, 1
- \* Power: Single DC 12 ~ 24V (no 5V needed)
- \* Control port: DB manual control interface
- \* CAD system support: March2, Mach3, ArtCam, KCam



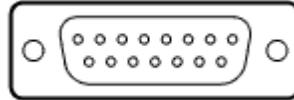
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## DB 25 Connector Pin layout

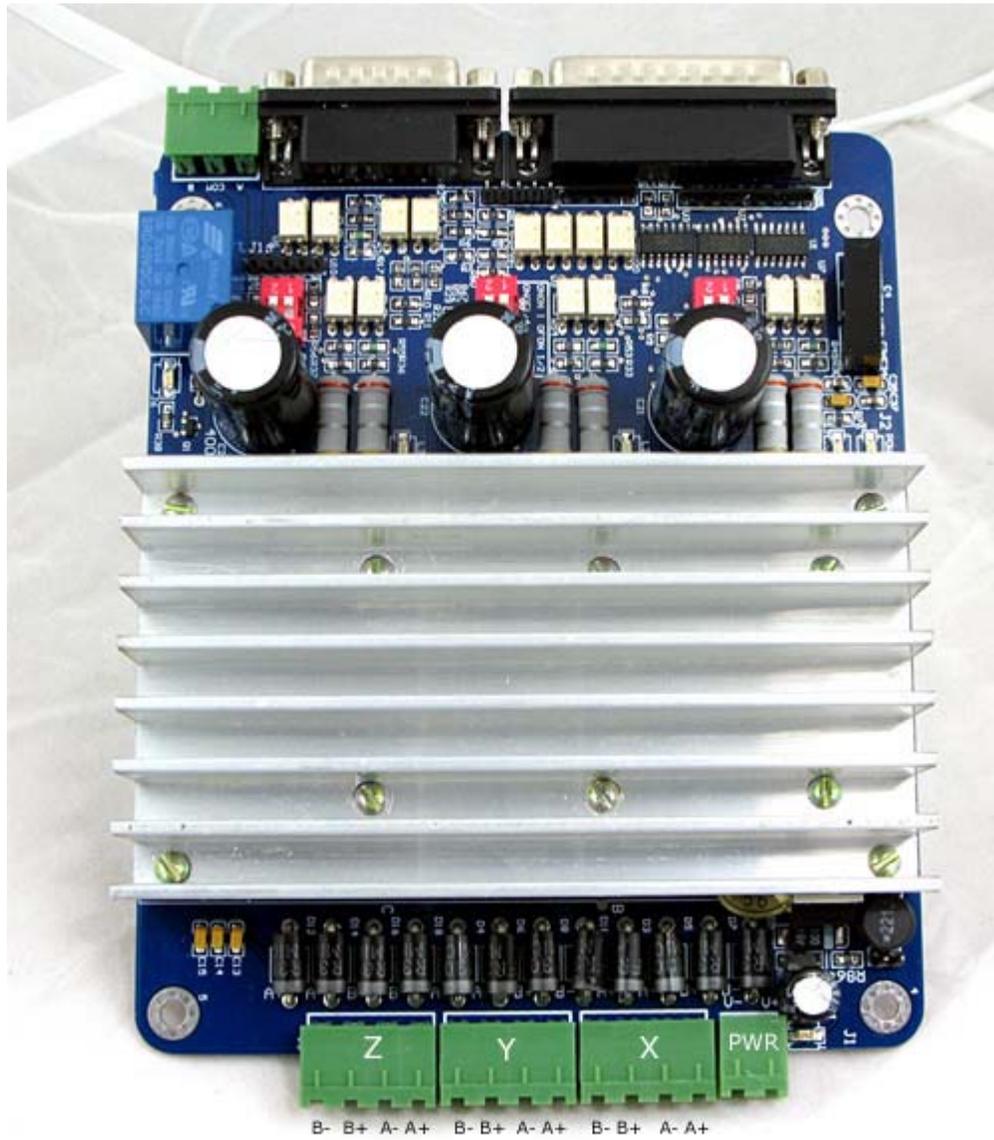


PIN1	PIN2	PIN3	PIN3	PIN5	PIN6	PIN7	PIN8	PIN9	PIN10
CKE	CKA	CWA	CKB	CWB	CKC	CWC			DIN1
E STEP	A STEP	A DIR	B STEP	B DIR	C STEP	C DIR			Limit1
PIN11	PIN12	PIN13	PIN14	PIN16	PIN17	PIN18-25			
DIN2	DIN3	DIN4	CWE	EN	RLY	GND			
Limit2	Limit3	Limit4	E DIR	Enable	Relay	Ground			

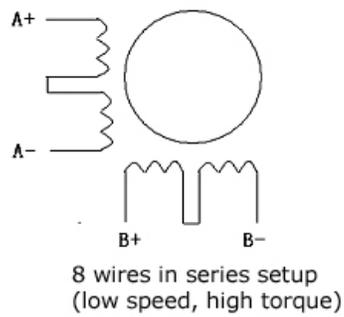
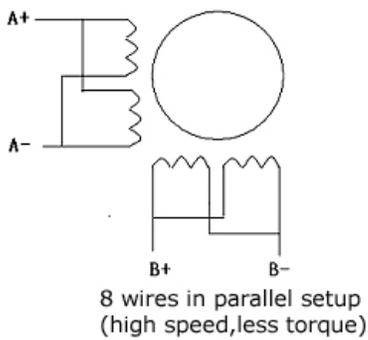
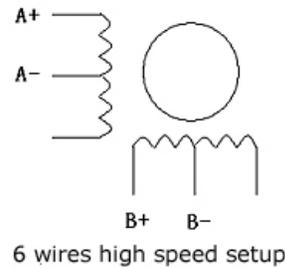
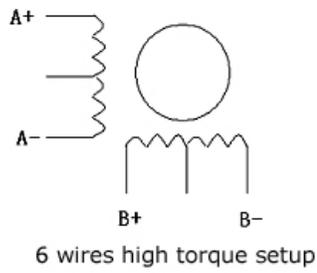
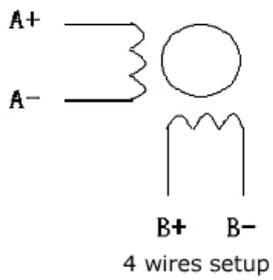
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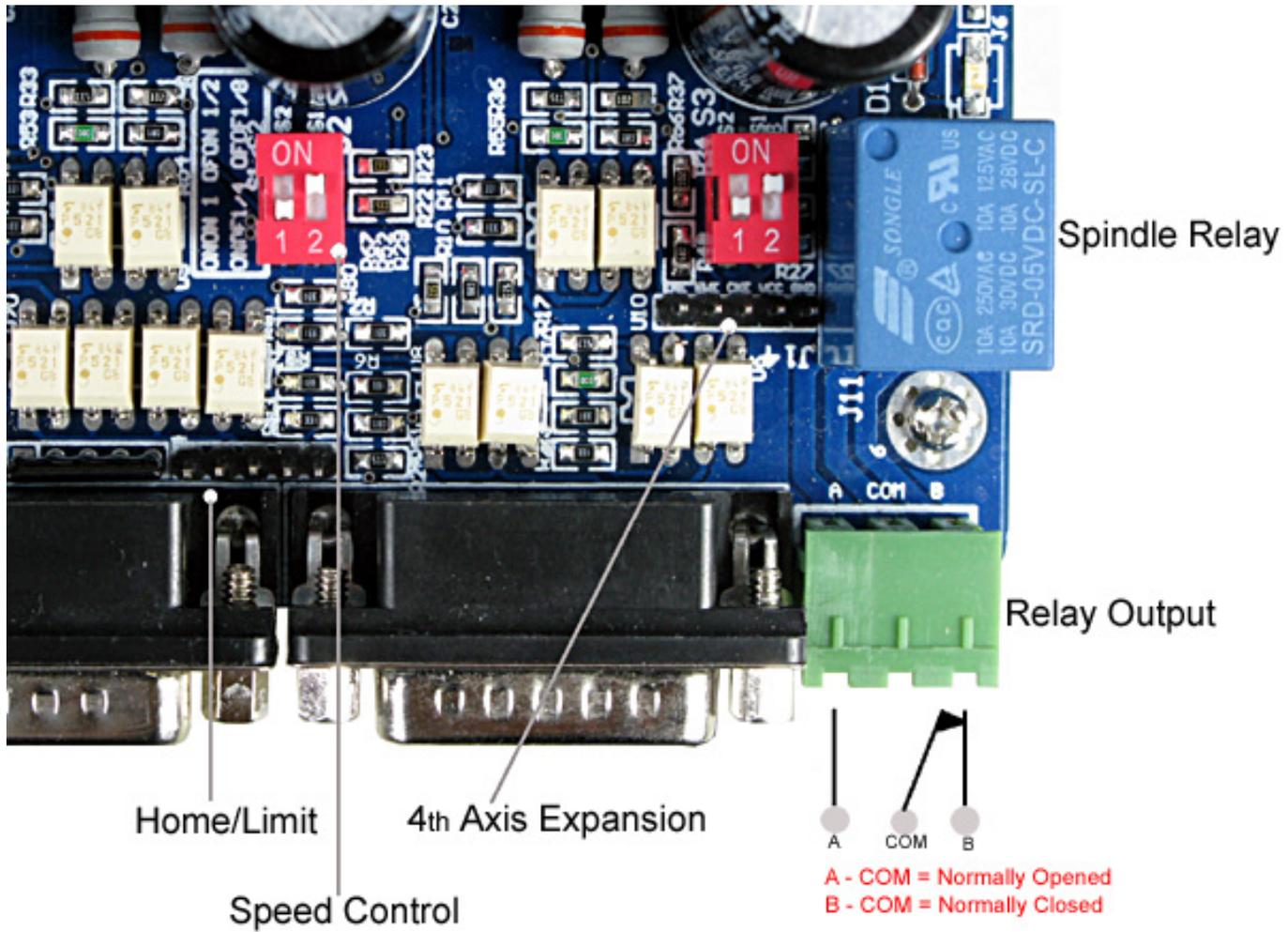


P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9	P10	P11	P12	P13	P14	P15
CKA	CWA	CKB	CWB	CKC	CWC			CKE	CWE	EN	MOT	VCC		GND
A STEP	A DIR	B STEP	B DIR	C STEP	C DIR			E STEP	E DIR	Enable	Motor	Pwr		Gnd



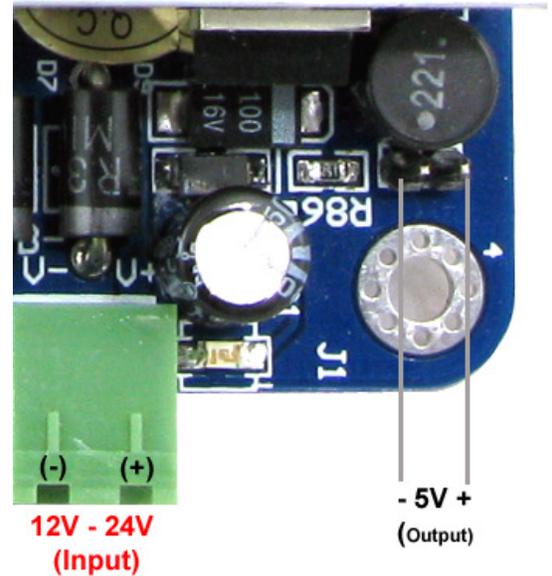
2 phases,4 phases stepping motor connection diagram (current 2A max)





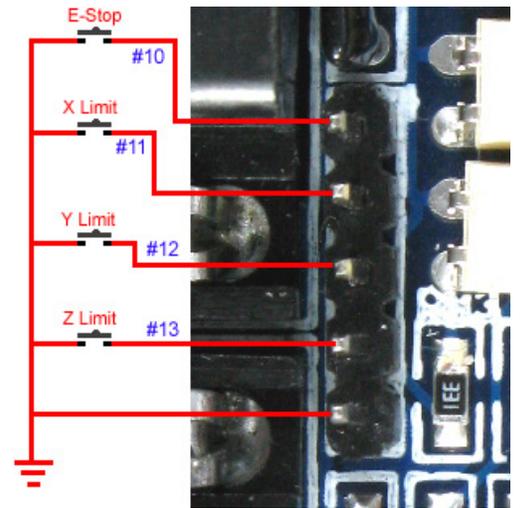
## Power

The controller can take DC 12~32V power input. The power supply should be able to provide at least 3A current in order to support smooth operation.



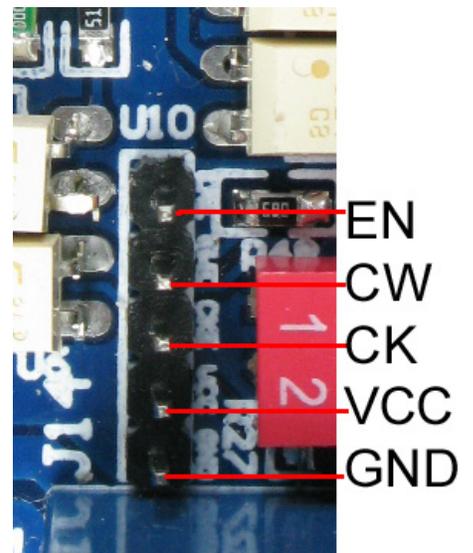
## Home Limit and Emergency Stop Input pin

Note: All Limit Input are Active Low \*

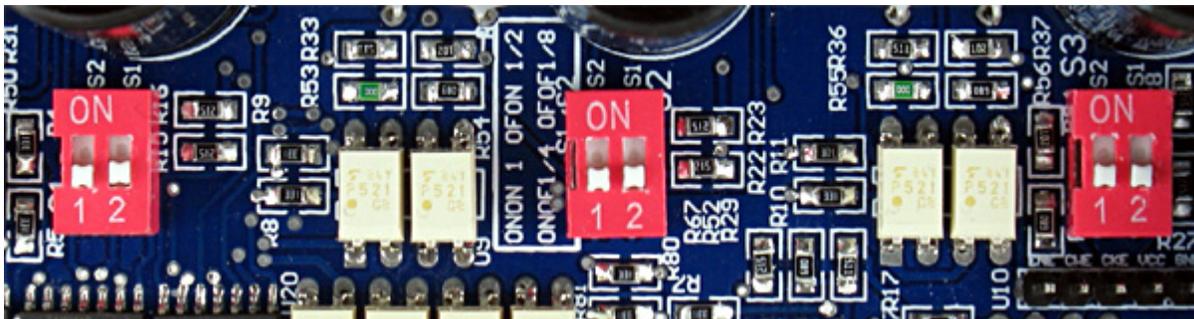


## 4<sup>th</sup> Axis Expansion Output pin

CW = PIN #14. It's used to output PWM signal as well. Or, you can use the output from #14 to trigger a 'Fire' signal for CO2 laser. The output level is +5 pulse so the CO2 power supply must support +5V triggering!

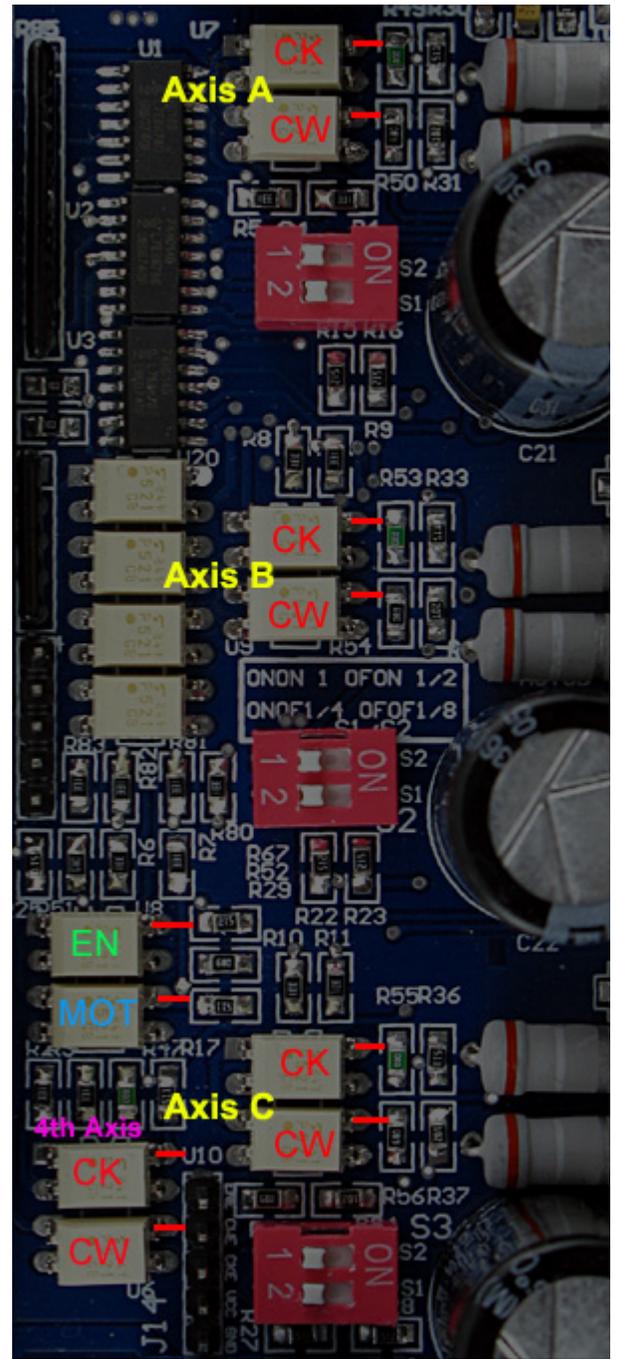


## Resolution/ Speed Setting for X,Y,Z Stepping Motor



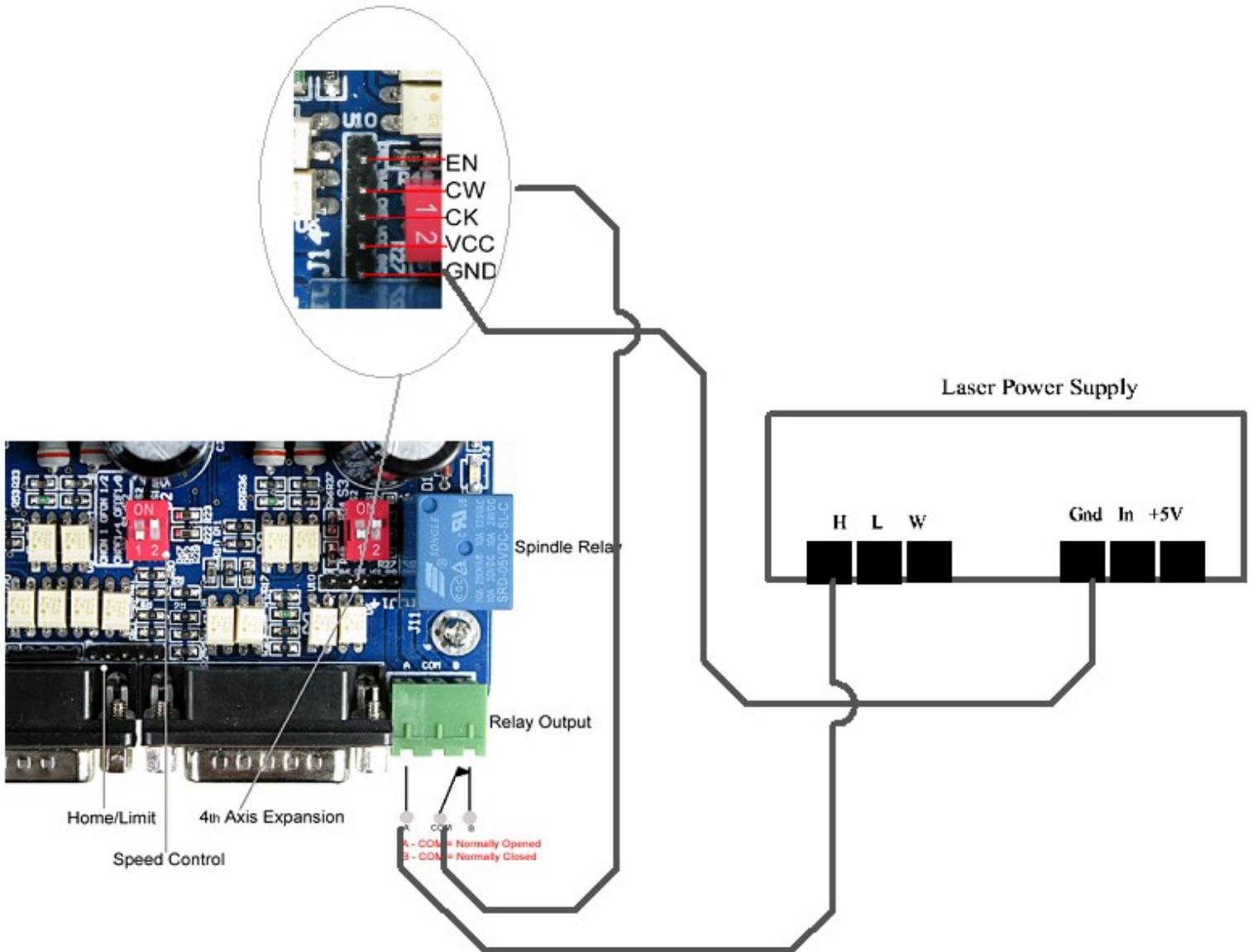
Full STEP	1/2 STEP	1/4 STEP	1/8 STEP
1 - Off	1 - Off	1 - On	1 - On
2 - Off	2 - On	2 - Off	2 - On

Note: Signal Ground and the Output ground are totally isolated, no physical connection. But all grounds from the optical isolation module share the same ground.



## CO2 laser engraving machine 'Firing' setup

CW – the direction output of Z stepping motor send +5V when Z value change in positive direction (user configuration). It's connected to the COM port of the relay and the GND is connected to the Gnd(ground) of the CO2 power supply. Note, the power supply must support 5V triggering as the 'CW' output signal is TTL level, either in 0V or in 5V.

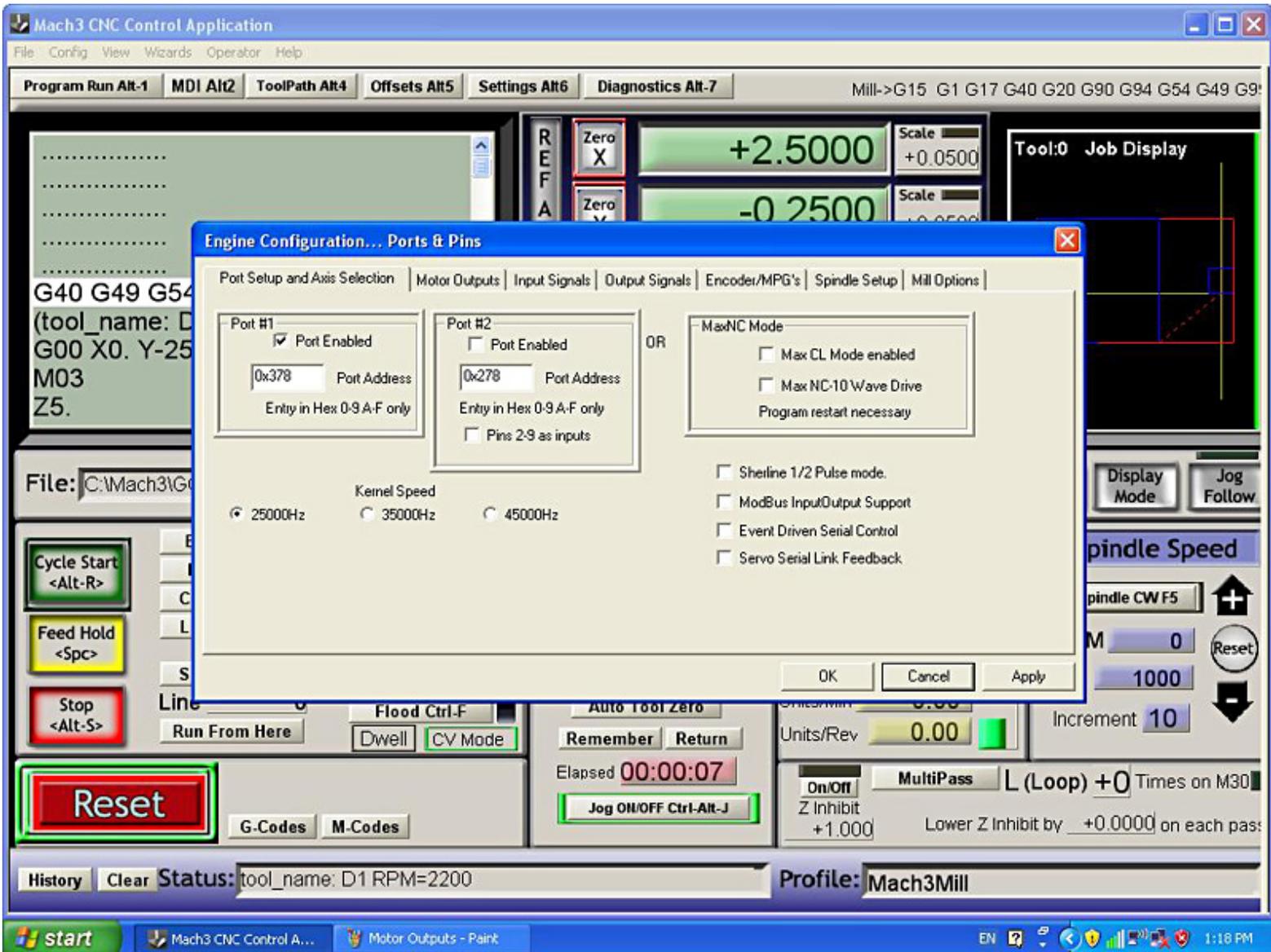


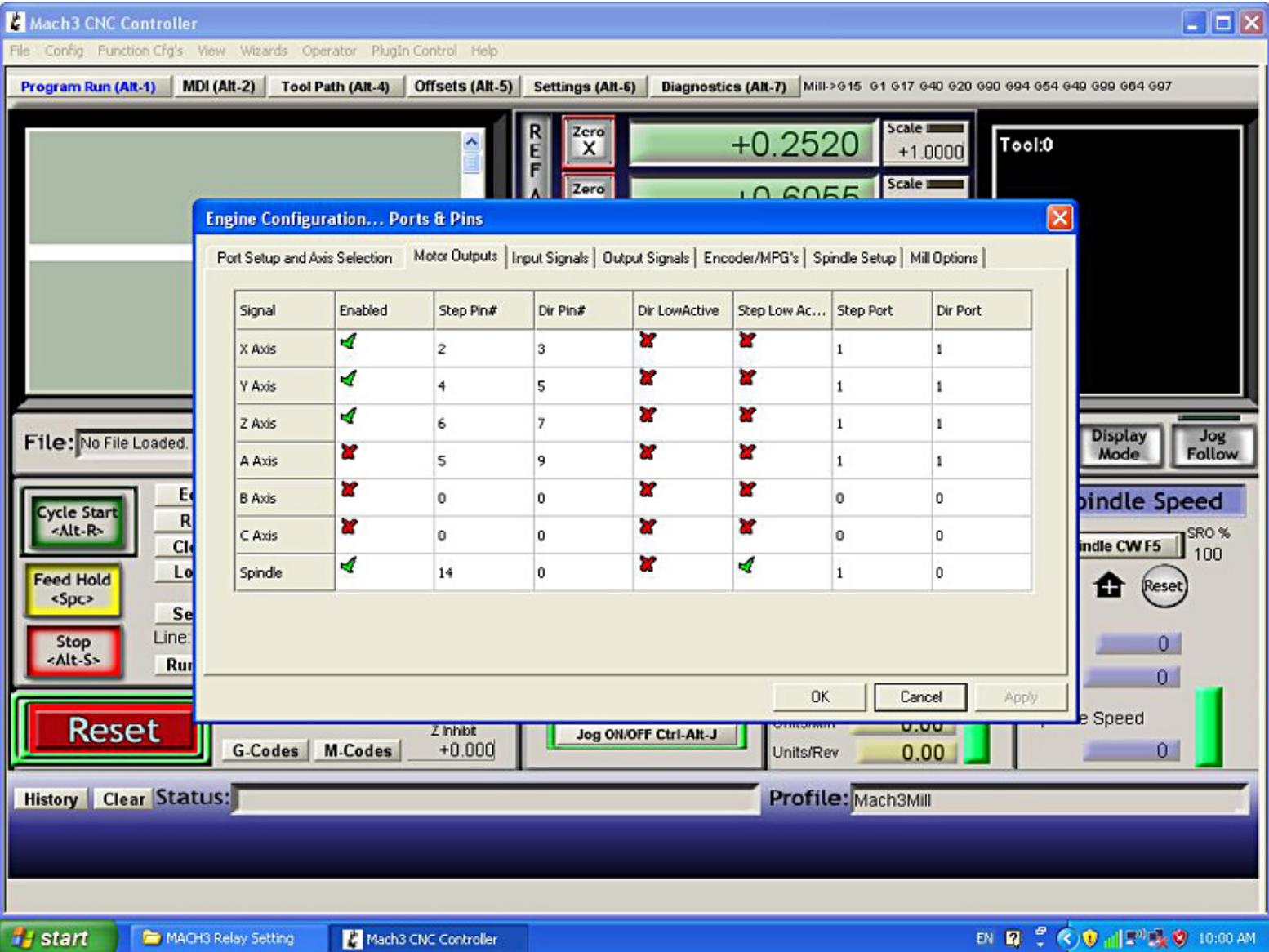
# MACH3 Setup. Note: some parameters is in default setting

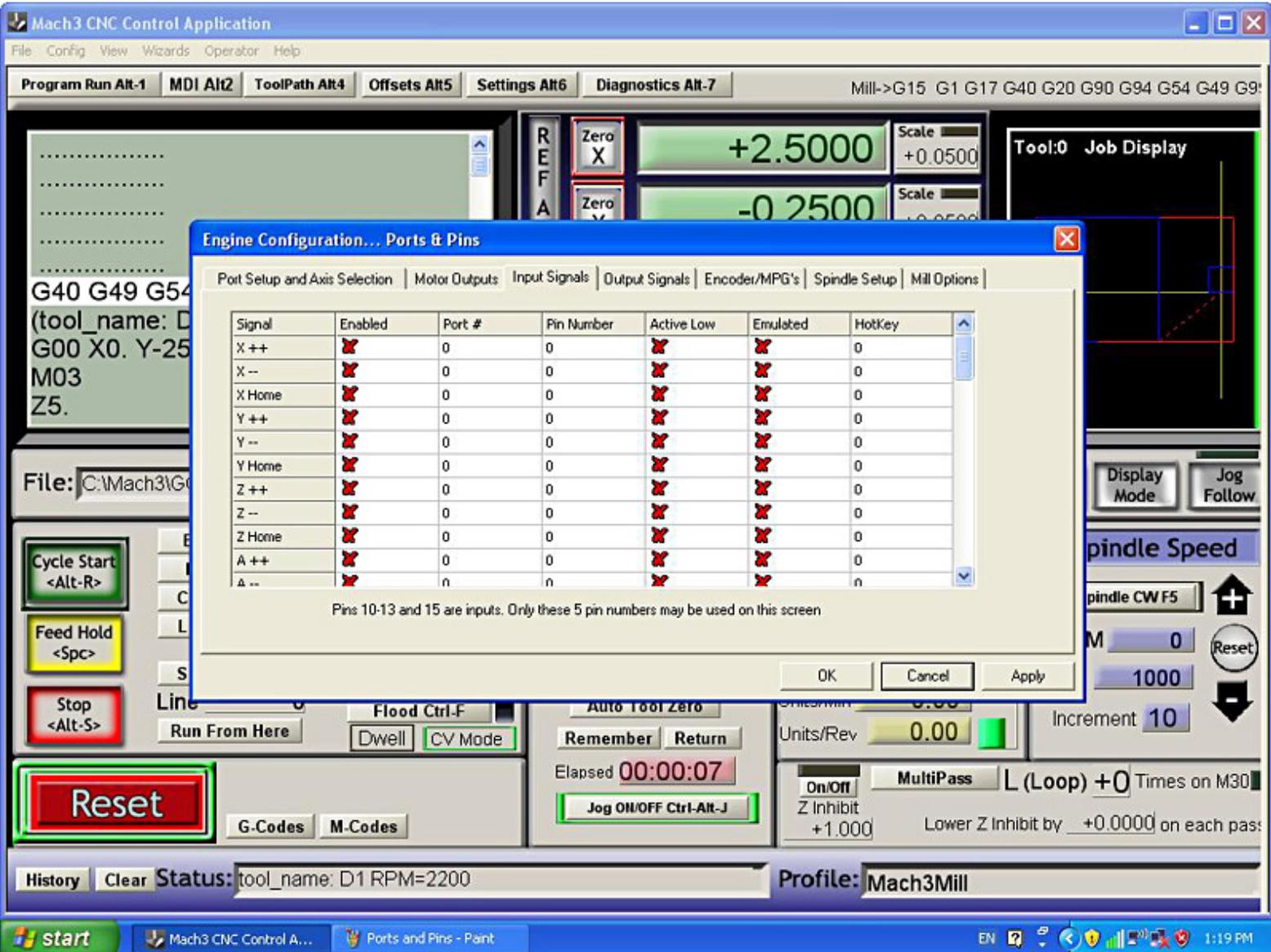
The screenshot displays the Mach3 CNC Controller software interface. The title bar reads "Mach3 CNC Controller". The menu bar includes "File", "Config", "Function Cfg's", "View", "Wizards", "Operator", "PlugIn Control", and "Help". The main window is divided into several sections:

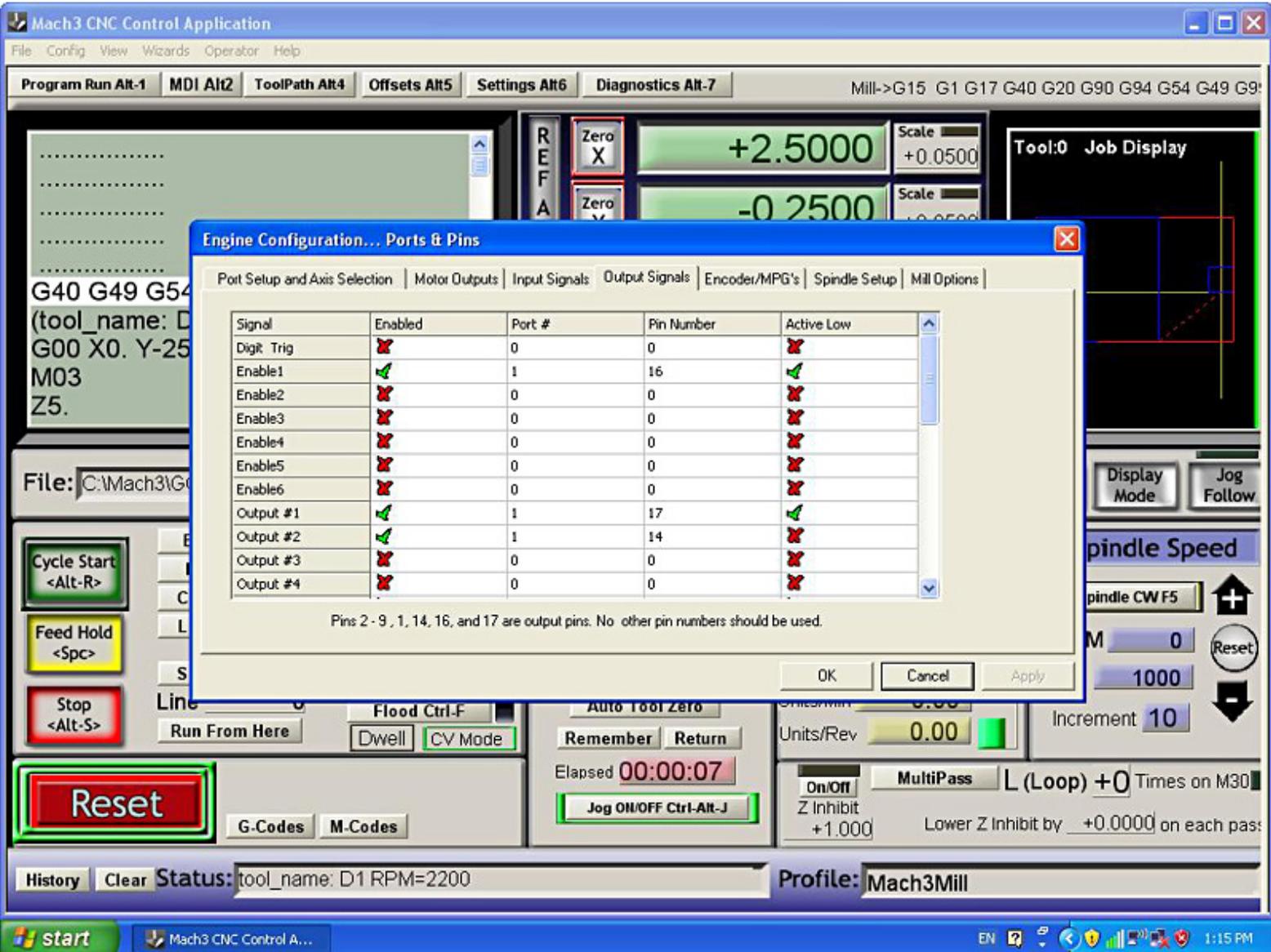
- Top Panel:** Contains a menu with "Ports and Pins" highlighted in red. Other menu items include "Select Native Units", "Motor Tuning", "General Config...", "System Hotkeys", "Homing/Limits", "ToolPath", "Slave Axis", "Backlash", "Fixtures...", "ToolTable...", "Config Plugins", "Spindle Pulleys...", "Safe\_Z Setup...", and "Save Settings...". To the right of the menu are tabs for "Alt2", "ToolPath Alt4", "Offsets Alt5", "Settings Alt6", and "Diagnostics Alt-7". Further right is a coordinate indicator: "Mill->G15 G80 G17 G40 G20 G90 G94 G54 G49 G99 G64 G97".
- Left Panel:** A vertical "REF ALL HOME" indicator. Below it are four "Zero" buttons (X, Y, Z, 4) and their corresponding coordinate values, all showing "+0.0000". To the right of these are "Scale" and "Radius Correct" indicators.
- Right Panel:** A "Tool:0" display area.
- Bottom Left Panel:** A "File:" field showing "No File Loaded.". Below it are buttons for "Cycle Start <Alt-R>", "Feed Hold <Spc>", and "Stop <Alt-S>". A large "Reset" button is also present.
- Bottom Center Panel:** "Tool Information" section showing "Tool 0", "Dia. +0.0000", "H +0.0000", and "Elapsed 00:00:00". It includes buttons for "Auto Tool Zero", "Remember", "Return", and "Jog On/OFF Ctrl-Alt-J".
- Bottom Right Panel:** "Feed Rate" and "Spindle Speed" sections. "Feed Rate" shows "FRO 6.00" and "Feedrate 6.00". "Spindle Speed" shows "Spindle CW F5", "RPM 0", and "Spindle Speed 0".
- Bottom Bar:** A "Status:" field and a "Profile: Mach3Mill" indicator.

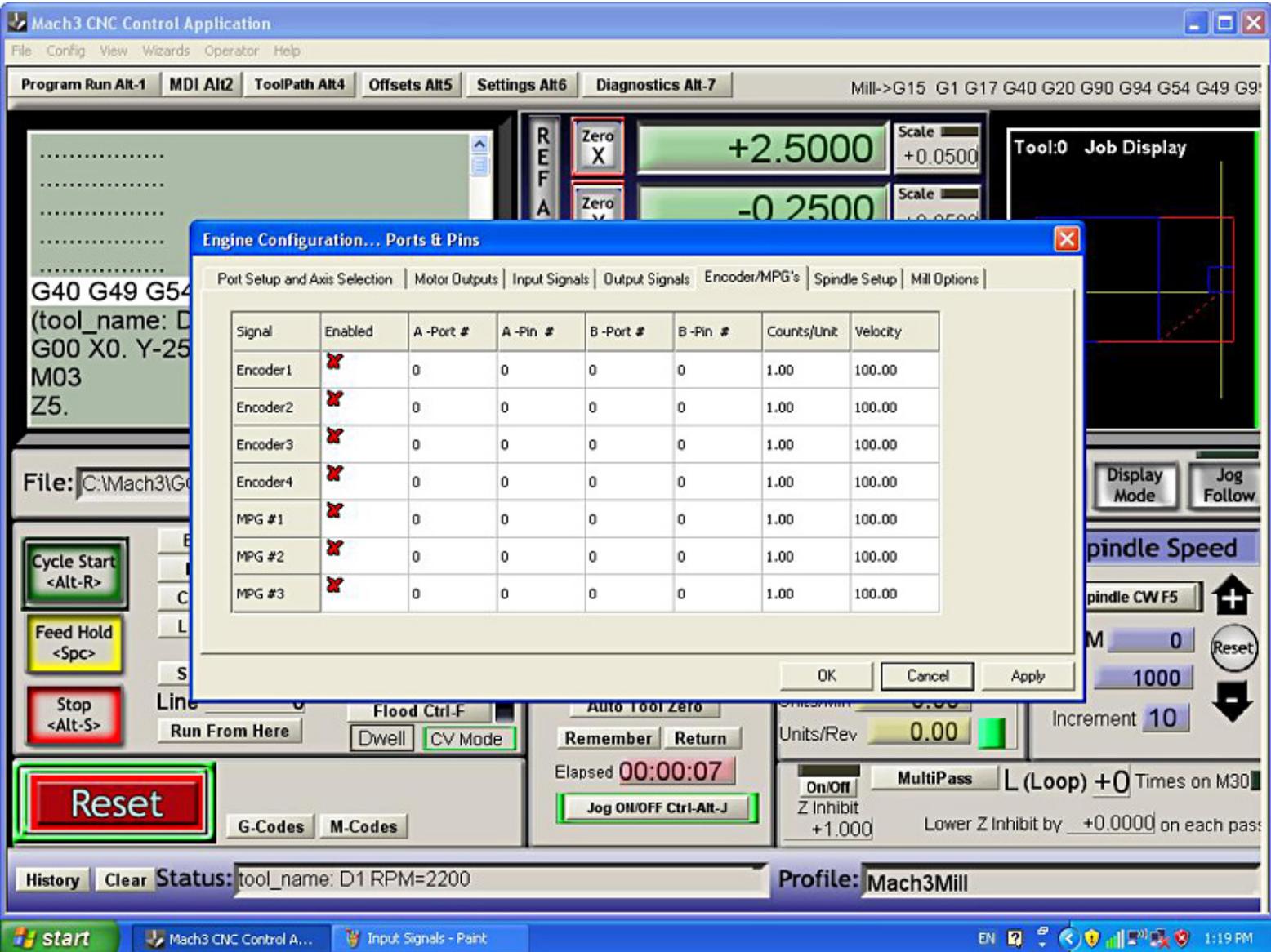
The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the "start" button, several icons, and the system tray with the time "07:39".

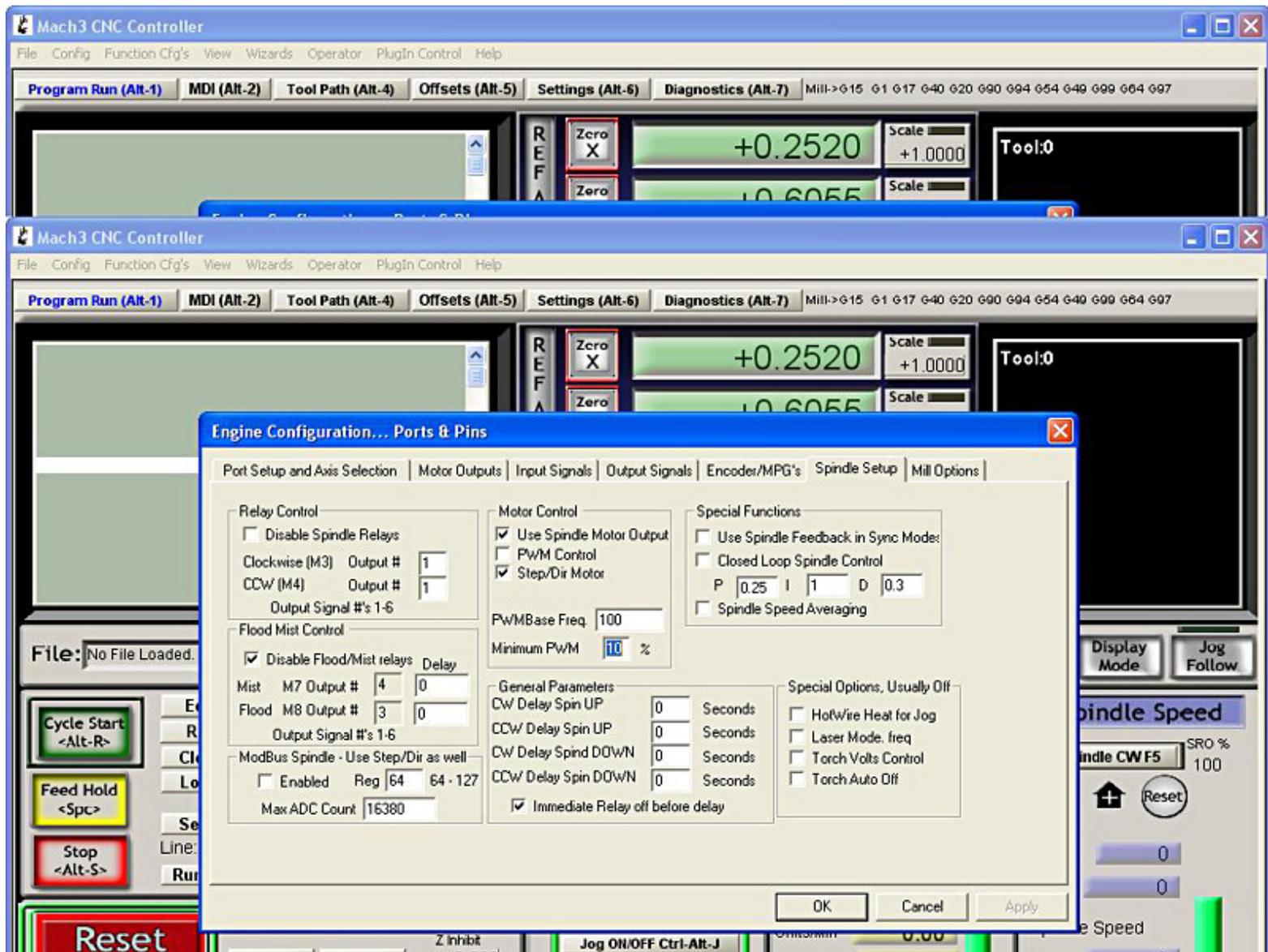


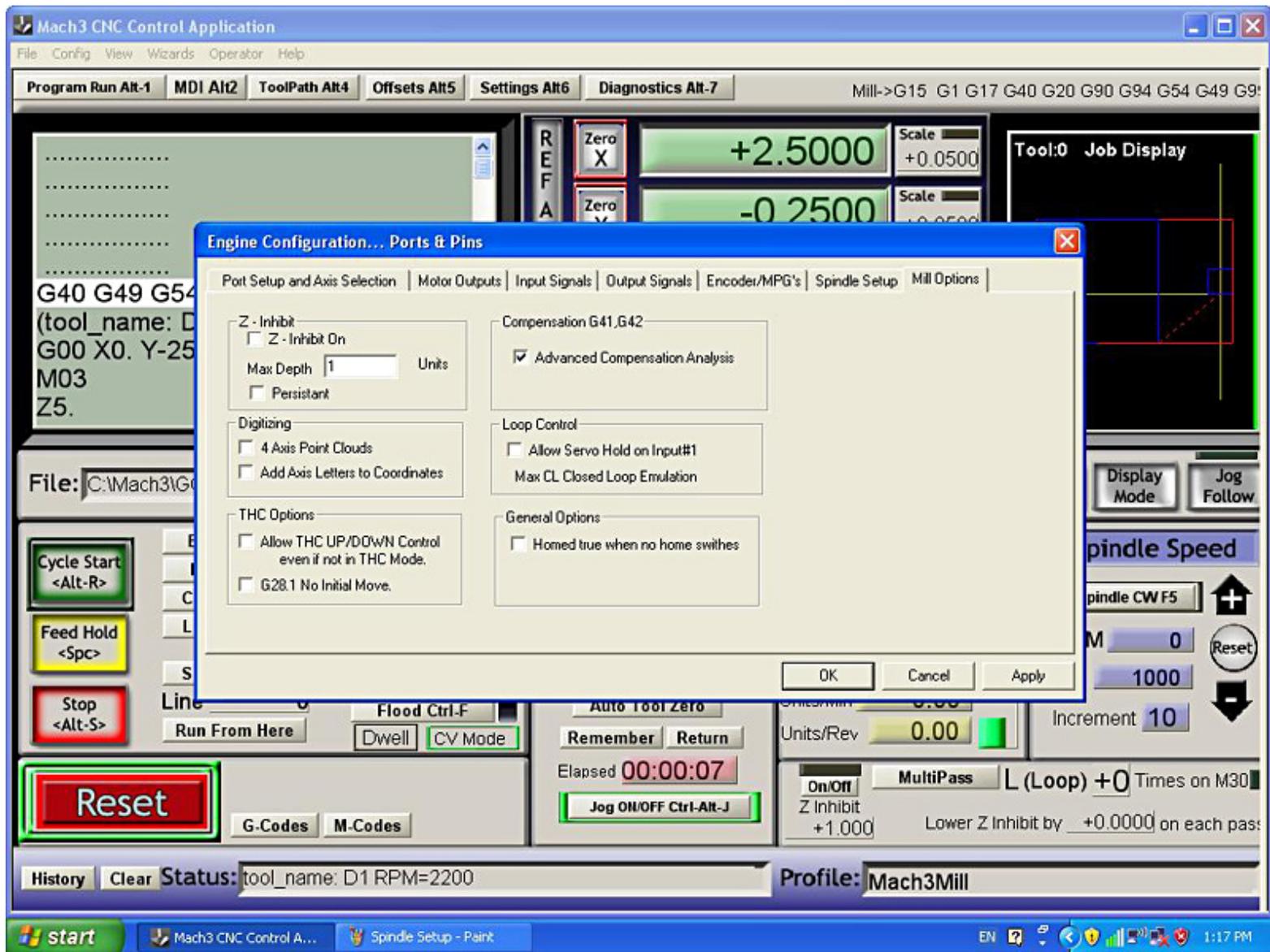












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