

Quick Start Guide: QUBE-Servo 2 USB

STEP 1 Check Components and Details:

Make sure your QUBE-Servo 2 Platform includes the following components.



1. Quanser QUBE-Servo 2 with QFLEX 2 USB interface panel
2. Inertial disc module
3. Pendulum module
4. USB 2.0 A/B cable
5. 24V, 2.71A power supply
6. Power cable
7. QUBE-Servo 2 Resources. Content and courseware provided in digital form at www.quanser.com/resources

STEP 2 Install and Test QUARC

1. Make sure you have all the required software as listed in the QUARC Compatibility Table included in the installation software and online at www.quanser.com
2. Follow the QUARC Installation Guide for further installation and testing instructions.
3. Make sure the QUARC Sine and Scope Demo is successfully is ran before continuing.

STEP 3 Set Up the Hardware

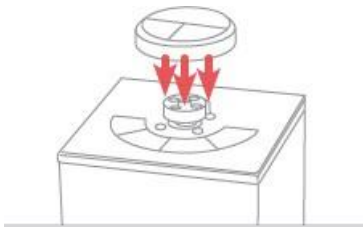
The steps below outline the instructions to setup the QUBE-Servo 2 USB.

NOTE: If you received a QFLEX 2 Embedded Interface panel, please refer to the Embedded Data Sheet and the QUBE-Servo 2 User Manual for instructions on how to install the panel and how to connect to an external controller.

A

Place the QUBE-Servo 2 on a flat surface with enough space so that the modules will not be obstructed.

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Connect the inertia disc module to QUBE-Servo 2 base by aligning the inertia disc magnets with the magnets on the QUBE-Servo 2 module connector. The module should snap into place.

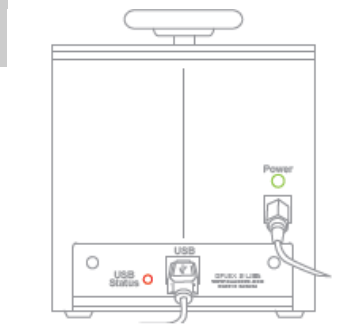
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First, connect the supplied 24V power supply to the Power connector on the QUBE-Servo 2 and then to a wall outlet using the appropriate power cable.

Next, using the supplied USB cable, connect the QUBE-Servo 2 USB connector on the QFLEX 2 USB panel to an enabled USB 2.0 (or higher) port on your desktop PC or laptop.

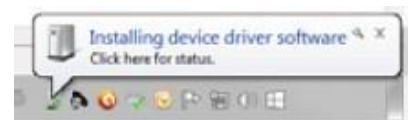
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The *Power* LED on the QUBE-Servo 2 should light up green, and the USB *Power* LED on the QFLEX 2 panel should light up red.

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Windows¹ should automatically detect the presence of the QUBE-Servo 2 and attempt to install the driver.

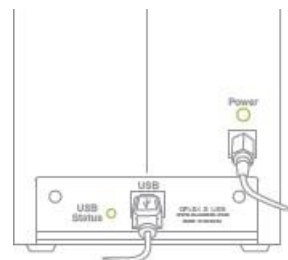


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Upon completion, Windows will notify you that the device is ready for use.



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The USB *Power* LED on the QFLEX 2 USB panel should change from red to green.

STEP 4

Testing the QUBE-Servo 2

Follow the procedure below to test your QUBE-Servo 2 experiment.

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Make sure your PC is powered ON

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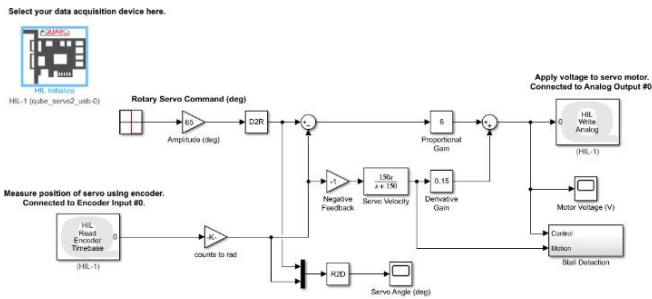


1. Download the QUBE-Servo 2 **Simulink Technical Resources** and **Simulink Courseware Resources** from www.quanser.com/resources.
2. Extract the **Technical Resources** file to a folder on your local hard drive

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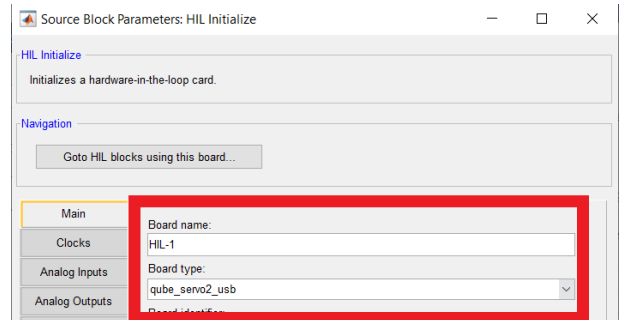
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Open the Simulink model file found in the **Technical Resources\Quick Start** folder on your hard drive.



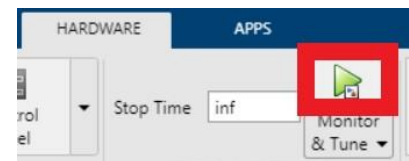
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Double-click on the **HIL Initialize** block and make sure the *qube_servo2_usb* board is selected.

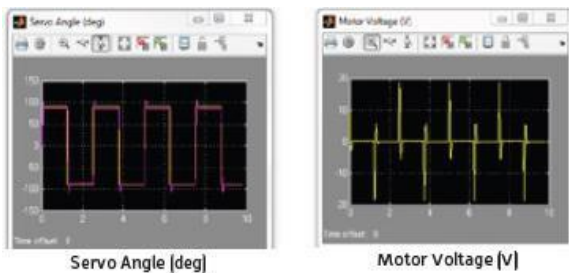


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Click on the **Monitor & Tune** button under the *HARDWARE* or *QUARC* tab in Simulink to build and run your model in QUARC.



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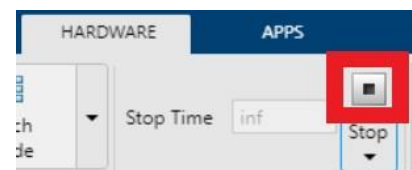


The scopes should look like those shown here.

The measured servo angle (in purple) should be tracking the desired angle (in yellow) in the **Servo Angle (deg)** scope. The motor voltage is displayed in the **Motor Voltage (V)** scope. If not, consult the Troubleshooting section at the end of this guide.

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Click the **Stop** button under the *HARDWARE* or *QUARC* tab to stop the QUARC model.



TROUBLESHOOTING

Review the following recommendations before contacting Quanser's technical support engineers.

Check the connections outlined in Step 3 of this guide and ensure that the cables are connected firmly.

Getting an error when trying to build or run the Quick Start Simulink model

- Verify that the MATLAB/Simulink and compiler version are compared with your version of QUARC. See the QUARC Software Compatibility table supplied in the QUARC Quick Installation Guide or online at <http://www.quanser.com/products/quarc-real-time-control-software/>.
- Type **ver** in the MATLAB Command Window and verify that Quanser Real-Time Control (QUARC) is on the list. If not, then go through the QUARC Quick Installation Guide to install QUARC. If it is listed, run mex-setup as described in the QUARC installation guide.

You see 'An operating system specific kernel-level driver for the specified card could not be found' message.

- A. Make sure the QUBE-Servo 2 is connected to your PC/Laptop with the supplied USB cable to an enabled USB port.
- B. Ensure the green *Power* LED on the QUBE-Servo 2 is lit. If not, confirm that the power supply is operational (i.e., LED is lit) and properly connected.
- C. Go to Windows Device Manager and verify that the *QUBE-Servo 2.0 USB* item appears under the *Universal Serial Bus controllers*.
- D. Ensure the USB *Power* LED on the QFLEX 2 USB panel is green.
- E. Ensure the *qube_servo2_usb* has been selected as the board type in the HIL Initialize block, as outlined in step 5D.

The Motor is not responding.

Ensure the green *Power* LED on the QUBE-Servo 2 is lit. If not, make sure the power supply is operational and properly connected.

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STILL NEED HELP

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