# dsPIC Machine fault detector: Users' Guide



Fig.1 Explorer 16 board and some useful descriptions.



Fig. 2. Prototype

## **Operation steps of the harmonic based fault detector:**

Step 1. Start

Referring to figures 1 and 2, when you press the **Reset** button or turn the system on by plugging in the power input (the power is supplied by a power adapter Microchip Technology, SN 20182, input 100-240 V AC and output is 9 V DC, 700 mA), the LCD will display the copy right information and then displays the following message:

## Num of FCC (1-4):

#### Step 2. Input number of FCC's

Here the user is asked to enter the number of FCC's (Fault Characteristic Coefficients) (Note: in the C programs, FCC is represented by FCF) that are going to be analysed.

As the default number of FCC's is one, to pass this step just press button 1.

The LCD will then display (FCC1 = the first FCC):

Note:

- To adjust the FCC button you need to use buttons 2 and 3.
- Button 3 relocates the U sign to the location of the digit that can be changed.
- Button 2 changes the value of the digit that is above the U sign. Each time this button is pressed the digit increases by one and when it passes 9 it will return to 0.
- For example, if the desired FCC1 is 05.230, we can shift U (by pressing the 3<sup>rd</sup> button once) to the 2<sup>nd</sup> digit (from left) and press the 2<sup>nd</sup> button five times (to get "5"), then shift the U to the 3<sup>rd</sup> digit (from left), then press the 2<sup>nd</sup> button twice (to get "2"), then shift the U to the 4<sup>th</sup> digit (from left) and then press the 2<sup>nd</sup> button three times (to get "3"). Now the LCD will display 05.230.

#### Step 3. Acquire and analyze data

After inputting the FCC1 value, press button 1 to collect data (though you could run the system for any time duration, only 1 sec of data will be collected) and analyse the incoming vibration data. From this point on, the user is not asked to enter any parameters. The processor will continue using the already entered FCC. The following is displayed when the analysis is finished.

# **Continue?**

#### Step 4. Collect and analyze new data (if necessary)

You can acquire new data, or you may wait until it becomes necessary to collect/analyze new data, e.g., when the shaft speed or any other conditions change. For this purpose you may press button 1 to continue the analysis. Then the microprocessor will acquire a new set of data; display the previous results (the spectral peak indices (for the first three harmonics)) and starts processing the new set of data. Please see the following diagram:



## Step 5. Reset

At any time you can start from the beginning by pressing **Reset** button.