

ROBOT HEADLAMP ASSEMBLY PROJECT

ENGR 480



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Introduction:

This manual provides a list of instructional material, figures, and wiring diagrams, which is crucial to the operation of this machine.

Loading the Machine:

To load the machine, the back of the headlamp must be on side A in Track 1. The chip pack must be loaded on side B in track 3, and the top on side A in track 2. This loading can be done in any method as long as the parts land in the track without shingling or being in the wrong orientation. Orientation is as it should be in the assembled part, the back should be on the bottom, the chip oriented with the lens up, and the top with the outside up. Use the following images as a reference.



Figure 1: Tracks (SIDE A left, SIDE B right)

Starting the Machine:

The main power switch must be in the "on" position. The startup time of the robot arm is a few minutes. While it's starting up you should verify the PLC and Air systems are correctly connected. The key on the teach pendant must be in the "play" position. After making all the checks, press the onscreen button labeled "jobs" use the arrow pad to navigate to "flash11" and selected it. Then press the "start" button. Watch the system for a few cycles to ensure proper operation. If something is not right, depress the red emergency stop button on the pendant. The robot arm should move to track 1, retrieve the back housing part, and place it in the assembly jig. The robot should then retrieve the chip unit from track 3, and place it in the back housing. Finally, the robot will retrieve the front housing part and place it. After placing, the robot will check the alignment of the housing pieces, then snap them together. Once

snapped together, the robot will move to a waiting position, while the PLC opens the valves to cycle the ejection pneumatics to push the headlamp out of the assembly jig and on to the next stage of production.



Figure 2: Motoman pendant

Clearing Jams:

If the parts become jammed or misaligned, press the emergency stop button on the pendant, then give the robot the home command and the release gripper command. After that, remove the jammed or misaligned parts and restart the assembly process, if the jam persists the tracks or the assembly jig may need to be adjusted.

Mechanical drawings and annotated photos:



Figure 3: Assembly Jig



Figure 4: Gripper



Figure 5: Push Wall



Figure 6: Pull Wall

PLC logic:





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Motoman program:

/JOB //NAME FLASH11

//POS ///NPOS 48,0,0,0,0,0 ///TOOL 2 ///POSTYPE PULSE ///PULSE C00000=-1,0,0,0,-8,0 C00001=-1,1,-1,0,-8,-128967 C00002=45903,-9267,-36251,-52069,34341,-99776 C00003=54934,34331,-61862,-39597,43883,-120858 C00004=56437,40550,-63456,-37862,47658,-123418 C00005=55984,41398,-62889,-37506,47683,-123499 C00006=55165,33943,-62153,-39782,43874,-120805 C00007=47139,12402,-44372,-61242,26283,-100696 C00008=48108,17388,-48678,-34629,51629,-115216 C00009=-2588,18387,-67613,3095,60004,-129405 C00010=-2301,61178,-64191,2149,83210,-128578 C00011=-2301,74396,-60900,2161,88804,-128435 C00012=-2193,44857,-66670,2096,75149,-128787 C00013=-46478,21244,-53313,33692,56377,-139834 C00014=-76498,29496,-28913,22851,-64166,-4096 C00015=-76498,46692,-33060,25857,-52189,-8301 C00016=-79297,52454,-35635,28147,-46939,-9663 C00017=-78328,49000,-34642,26744,-49507,-8752 C00018=-78328,25360,-28781,22447,-66065,-2867 C00019=-42134,14905,-37343,-52,-46985,-9703 C00020=-2281,51652,-65055,-3272,-4623,-22961 C00021=-2071,68206,-61784,-5103,2947,-21803 C00022=-2271,-11549,-55101,-350,-50026,-24890 C00023=72904,32266,-45344,-62941,42516,-109182 C00024=73914,44685,-46916,-56647,45460,-115664 C00025=74822,47753,-48154,-55252,46954,-117549 C00026=73889,44409,-47384,-56494,45530,-115795 C00027=73889,12669,-40396,-79481,38861,-95326 C00028=-2382,17796,-68448,1144,61740,-129724 C00029=-2514,17798,-68446,1608,61744,-129843 C00030=-2551,61345,-65643,1509,86002,-129386 C00031=-2551,72702,-62871,1526,90854,-129298 C00032=-2520,65131,-63957,1488,87074,-129364 C00033=-2520,74517,-61492,1496,90953,-129289 C00034=-2450,72562,-62157,1306,90252,-129332 C00035=-2382,72820,-62848,1062,90912,-129360 C00036=-2382,26697,-68961,1094,67482,-129660 C00037=-19935,50211,-44727,93504,87191,-140710 C00038=-19913,72427,-41028,94185,84745,-134150 C00039=-19937,74072,-40699,94230,84570,-133688 C00040=-19937,73343,-40896,94219,84640,-133869 C00041=-21867,73519,-40339,95368,84903,-134024 C00042=-21867,74428,-40093,95387,84810,-133800

all of these are saved locations. Referenced in the movj functions later in the programs

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C00043=-21867,73507,-40342,95371,84905,-134026
C00044=-17727,73154,-41471,92898,84366,-133715
C00045=-17727,74492,-41106,92915,84251,-133382
C00046=-17727,56899,-44679,92530,85906,-138308
C00047=-2,1,-2,0,-10,-128970
//INST
///DATE 2016/12/09 14:48
///ATTR SC,RW
///GROUP1 RB1
NOP
*FLASH
                             denotes the start of the assembly program.
                             handshakes and verifies the PLC is ready.
DOUT OT#(3) ON
WAIT IN#(2)=ON
DOUT OT#(3) OFF
                             Verifies the gripper is off.
MOVJ C00000 VJ=15.00
                             this command tells the robot arm to move to the position of C00000 at
MOVJ C00001 VJ=15.00
                             the velocity of 15 cm/min?
MOVJ C00002 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00003 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00004 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00005 VJ=5.00
                             this starts a 1-second timer when the timer finishes it starts the next
TIMER T=1.00
                             command.
DOUT OT#(1) ON
                             this activates the gripper.
TIMER T=1.00
MOVJ C00006 VJ=15.00
MOVJ C00007 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00008 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00009 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00010 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00011 VJ=5.00
TIMER T=1.00
DOUT OT#(1) OFF
                             this command turns the gripper off.
TIMER T=1.00
MOVJ C00012 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00013 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00014 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00015 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00016 VJ=5.00
TIMER T=1.00
DOUT OT#(1) ON
TIMER T=1.00
MOVJ C00017 VJ=15.00
MOVJ C00018 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00019 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00020 VJ=5.00
MOVJ C00021 VJ=5.00
TIMER T=1.00
DOUT OT#(1) OFF
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TIMER T=1.00 MOVJ C00022 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00023 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00024 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00025 VJ=5.00 TIMER T=1.00 DOUT OT#(1) ON TIMER T=1.00 MOVJ C00026 VJ=15.00 MOVJ C00027 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00028 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00029 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00030 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00031 VJ=5.00 TIMER T=1.00 DOUT OT#(1) OFF TIMER T=1.00 MOVJ C00032 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00033 VJ=5.00 TIMER T=1.00 DOUT OT#(1) ON TIMER T=1.00 TIMER T=1.00 DOUT OT#(1) OFF TIMER T=1.00 MOVJ C00034 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00035 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00036 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00037 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00038 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00039 VJ=0.50 MOVJ C00040 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00041 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00042 VJ=0.50 MOVJ C00043 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00044 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00045 VJ=0.50 MOVJ C00046 VJ=5.00 MOVJ C00047 VJ=5.00 DOUT OT#(3) ON WAIT IN#(2)=OFF JUMP *FLASH END

this command tells the PLC to run its program. this command receives the go-ahead from the PLC to move forward. this command restarts the program to assemble the next piece.

Wiring diagram:



Description of Machine Operation:

Slides:

The slides are perhaps on of the most important features in the assembly, if anything goes wrong with the slide then the whole system has to be recalibrated. These slides also hold all the yet to be used parts for the assembly. The angle of the slides is somewhat arbitrary. They must be steep enough to let the parts slide down them, but shallow enough to keep the parts from shingling.

Assembly Jig:

The assembly jig was precisely machined to ensure the parts all mate together properly. Without it, the housing halves could easily not align with the chip, or with each other. The jig must be close enough to the moving walls to prevent them turning out of alignment, but far enough to keep the walls from binding. The system must be recalibrated if the assembly jig gets moved. If it isn't then the parts won't mate properly.

Robot:

The robot is the workhorse of this assembly system. It moves, aligns and snaps all the parts together. The robot consists of an articulating arm. The arm moves by servos, and follows the fastest most efficient path between 2 points. This causes a slight issue in programming as you have to be sure the robot won't accidently run into anything. It has a pair of grippers run by a pneumatic to pick and place parts of the assembly. On one of the grippers is rubber, used to seal the assembly by pushing it shut.

PLC:

The PLC is the master in the system. It tells the Motoman and the air cylinders when to do their jobs. The PLC handshakes with the Motoman I/O and is in direct control of the air cylinders.

Air Cylinders:

The pair of cylinders have two jobs in the system, act as walls of the assembly jig and to move the finished assembly to packaging. It begins with one extended and the other retracted which we'll now call 1 and 2 respectively. When they receive the signal from the PLC, 1 extends to push the finished assembly out into packaging while 2 retracts to allow entry into packaging. These are directly controlled by the PLC unit

Maintenance:

Maintenance on the robot arm or the PLC should be done by a licensed repair technician from motorman or the PLC manufacturer. Maintenance on the rails or assembly jig can be done by any inhouse engineer depending on the issue needing to be repaired.

Future Improvements:

Future improvements would include a sensor to make the ejection program more efficient. As well as a jam detection sensor, and a sensor to determine if there are enough parts to continue the assembly process. We would also redesign the slides to make them more rigid and less likely to slip out of alignment. It would also be nice to design some grippers that are a little stickier. To prevent slippage during grabbing or alignment commands