

Capabilities Overview

GCI Adaptics

WHAT IT DOES

- Cell-level assembly validation
 - o In particular: Positional validation
- Runs on Windows
- Integrates devices, eg:
 - Torque Controller via Open Protocol
 - Encoded GCI torque reaction arms
 - Scanner
 - Vision cameras
 - Digital IO pass/fail
 - Custom
- Can be plugged into an MES
 - Vendors (PINpoint, Catalyst)
 - Custom, in-house (PLC or PC)

WHAT IT DOESN'T DO

- Coordination of multiple cells (MES)
- Collect data
 - Rundown data is typically stored in the torque controller or forwarded to a database with 3rd party software
- Flowchart style workflows
 - Work instructions with decision nodes

Positional Validation

Ensure all fasteners on product are torqued to specification, and enforce order of operations

- Streamlined setup
 - o Initial configuration 20 minutes common
 - New pattern 5 minutes common
- Proprietary calibration algorithm
 - o Improves accuracy, repeatability 0.1" common
- Fixed (sequential) or Free (any order) mode
- Rework scenarios supported
 - Click fastener on the screen to back out, re-torque
- Multi-rundown
- Inconsistently placed product...

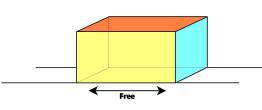


Pattern locate strategies

Consistent

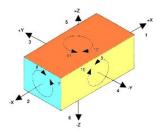
- X/Y/Z position fixed
- Orientation fixed
- Usually product comes in on rails and rests on a physical stop

Locate with 1 point



- One translation dimension inconsistent
- Orientation fixed
- Usually product comes in on rails but there is no physical stop

Locate with 2 or 3 points



- More than one translation dimension, or orientation, is inconsistent
- Usually product is wheeled into station or there is a rollover fixture

PLC interface

- Via Anybus-X Gateway
- Operations
 - Start process
 - Abort process
 - Assign serial number to rundown results
 - Repair only specific fasteners



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...but you might not need it

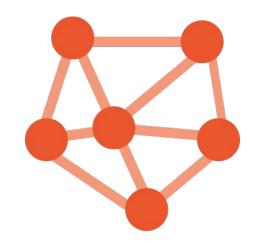
With "passive" mode, the torque controller can act as an intermediary.

- PLC or other system selects a Job or Parameter set in torque controller
- Adaptics is notified and enforces positional constraints.



Web Service API (PC interface)

- Via Ethernet network
- Supports:
 - 3rd party MES packages
 - In-house software
- Operations
 - Run/Abort Process
 - Validate/Invalidate Tasks
 - Subscribe to feedback events (eg "Task Complete")
 - Manipulate the Adaptics user interface



Plugins



Standard

- Scanner
 - Process selection
 - Component validation
- Vision systems
 - Cognex, Keyence
 - Component validation
- Custom arm style
- Digital input
 - Click wrench, etc...

Custom

- Other device integration
- Anybus modifications
- Read/write to customer-maintained
 DB
 - User badge validation
 - Component barcode validation
 - Insert data
- User interface modifications

Other notes

- Multi-spindle supported
- Able to run without regard to position (bolt counting with visual feedback)
- Always-on tracing system to diagnose errors
- Separate operator/supervisor authorizations
- Data can be "tagged" to torque controller rundown records
 - Process name
 - Serial number
 - Task name
 - Custom