

Gen IV Controller with Smart Arm Setup

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1. Introduction

The Smart Arm Accessory allows an articulated arm with encoders to be used with the GenIV controller. Fastener locations can be programmed into the controller so that the controller will perform specific actions when the tool is located on a specific fastener. The controller can also be configured to show a custom image on the Runscreen with fastener locations that update as fastenings are performed.

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AIMCO Gen 4 controller.

2. Equipment/Software

- Power Supply Cable. Smart Arm Accessory - Encoder Interface - 30860
- Ethernet Cable

3. Hardware Setup

- Connect power to the GenIV controller •
- Connect power to the Smart Arm Accessory •
- Connect an Ethernet cable from the Accessory box to the second Ethernet port on the GenIV Controller.
- Connect the encoders from the arm to the accessory box via M12 cables.
- Power up the Smart Arm Accessory
- Power up the GenIV Controller





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4. Hardware Connections

Connecting the Encoders

The encoders from the arm connect to the controller via M12 connectors. The pinout is shown below.

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Top view of mating side, female contact base

M12 connector, 8-pin

Encoder Circuit	M12-8 Bulkhead Connector Pin
0V	1
+12Vdc	2
A	3
В	5

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Encoder Compatibility

The system is compatible with incremental encoders with the following specifications:

- Voltage: 12V
- Signal output: Quadrature with A B outputs
- Pulse rate: System verified with 2048 pulses per revolution and lower

Connecting the Remote Home

An external remote home button can be added to the accessory if needed. This will perform the same function as the 'Home' button on the accessory box. The homing function will be triggered when pin 4 on the M8 connection is pulled high to +12V.

External Circuit	M8-3 Bulkhead Connector Pin
0V	3
+12Vdc	1
Signal	4



5. Core Setup Steps Overview

This document covers the details of interfacing an arm outfitted with encoders to a GenIV Controller. The general steps of the setup are shown below:

- 1. Make all hardware connections
- 2. Power on the Smart Arm Accessory and GenIV Controller
- 3. Configure the accessory IP settings from the controller
- 4. Add the Smart Arm accessory in the GenIV controller settings
- 5. Configure the accessory settings and add arm locations
- 6. Add runscreen image (if required)
- 7. Configure line side control (if required)

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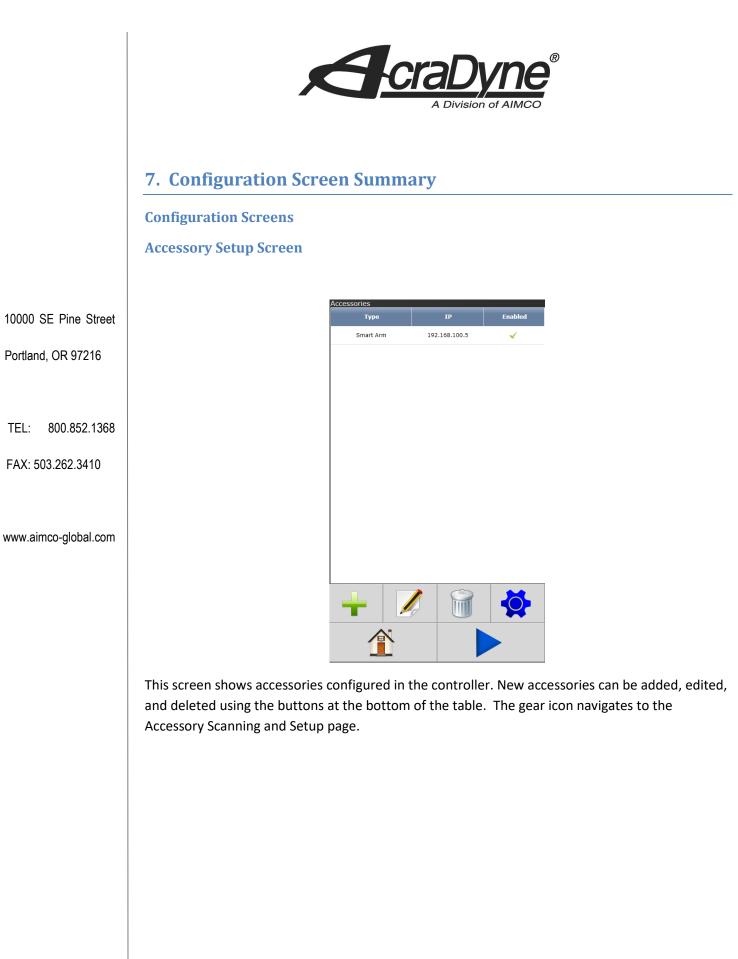
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6. Functionality Overview

The Smart Arm Accessory can interface with an arm fitted with up to four encoders and/or proximity sensors. A runscreen can be configured to show fastener locations on a user uploaded image. The controller is able to read the arm position from the accessory box and perform an array of different functions based on arm position. Setup can be as simple as just selecting a PSet when the arm is positioned over a fastener. It can also be as complicated as combining line side control to determine which fastener to insert with a Job and Arm ensuring that the correct fastener is inserted in the correct sequence while preventing fasteners from being re-inserted. Triggering the 'Job Reset' IO will clear the OK/NOK status of any fasteners.



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This screen is used to configure the IP settings of the accessory. Clicking the magnifying glass will search for AcraDyne Accessories on the network. Any accessories found will show up in the list. Click on the accessory to be configured to edit its settings. Once clicked, the current settings will autofill in the edit fields. Edit these and click 'Send' to send the new settings to the accessory that matches that MAC address. Ensure that the accessory being modified is the intended accessory by matching the MAC address on the screen to the MAC address labeled on the accessory box.





Location Setup Screen

Smart Arm Parameter 2 Encoders				
#	Target	Range +	Range -	Current
1	94	20	20	295
2	112	20	20	128
3	0	20	20	
4	0	20	20	
Use Current Position				

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This screen is where a new location is configured. The 'Parameter' field is a multi-purpose field. This field corresponds to the 'Function' option on the previous page so this field can correspond to PSet or Job Sequence number. The right column labelled 'Current' shows the current state of the encoders being read from the Arm. The 'Range' field defines the window around the target that is acceptable for enabling that location. Reducing the range narrows the acceptability window and increasing the range widens the window. The software will show an error if any encoder locations overlap.

Clicking 'Use Current Position' will grab the current state of the encoders and use it as the target. Use this to easily add a location by locating the tool on the bolt for that location and click 'Use Current Position'. Click OK at the bottom of the screen and this location will be added to the list.



Icon Reference

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0	Position not valid	The current position of the arm does not match any locations in			
<u> </u>		the smart arm configuration. This error will clear when the arm			
		is in a valid position.			
		'SARM' will show on the top LED display.			
0	Location Complete	This will appear when Jobs are enabled and the current location			
		has already had an OK fastening.			
		Only appears when the custom runscreen image is configured.			
		'SARM' will show on the top LED display.			
-	PSet or Job Sequence	The currently selected PSet or Job Sequence does not match the			
	Mismatch	PSet or Job Sequence number required by the current location.			
		This error will clear when one of the following happens:			
		• The arm moves to a position that requires the			
		currently selected PSet/Sequence			
		• The active PSet/Sequence is changed to match			
		what is required for this position			
		'PSET' or 'JSEQ' will show on the top LED display.			
	Connection Error	The controller is not communicating with the accessory.			
		Commonly caused by incorrect IP settings in the controller or			
		accessory.			
		'SARM' will show on the top LED display.			

Smart Arm Function

The accessory can be configured to take one of four different actions when a location is matched.

- Select PSet
 - This will pair a location to a PSet and the controller will select the PSet when this location is matched
- Verify PSet
 - The tool will be disabled until the PSet is selected that matches the required PSet from the location configuration
- Select Job Sequence
 - This will pair a location to a job sequence. The controller will select a specific job sequence when the location is matched
- Verify Job Sequence
 - The tool will be disabled until the correct job sequence is selected that matches the job sequence from the location configuration



Homing

- Pressing the 'Home' button on the accessory will set the '0' position of the arm. All locations will be referenced off this position. This can be the location of a specific bolt or another position in the station that has a fixed location.
- The system will need to be 'homed' whenever the station is powered up.
- The encoder accessory has an M8 connector that allows for a remote homing button to be wired in in the case that the homing button on the box is inconvenient.

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Locations

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Locations are define by encoder counts. After the system is homed then locations can be programmed via the Accessories->Smart Arm configuration page. Clicking the Add(+) button will add a new location. The 'Current' column shows the current position of the encoders. Clicking 'Use Current Position' will use those values and fill in the target encoder values for this location. The 'Range' field will define the acceptable distance around the target that will enable this location. Increasing the 'Range' value will allow for a wider area that allows the location to be selected.

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	 Click OK/Check Verify connection Runscreen status header
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- The main runscreen will now show an arm icon indicating that it is not in a valid location.
- Live encoder values
 - Navigate to Accessories and edit the smart arm accessory
 - Click the the Add(+) button to add a new location. The fields under 'Current' should change as the arm is moved. This shows that the accessory is sending over valid encoder values.

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10. Example: Select PSets Based on Location

Example Overview

This example shows how to set up the most basic control option. Three locations will be programmed in the controller so that the controller will enable the tool and select a specific PSet when the tool is located over a fastener.

PSet Setup

Create three PSets. These can be named in the advanced settings to make it more clear which PSet is for which bolt.

Accessory Setup

Navigate to the Accessories screen, select the Smart Arm accessory configured in the 'Initial Setup' portion and click the edit button.

Set up the accessory function as 'Select PSet'. This allows the controller to select the correct PSet for the arm location.

Before adding locations be sure to move the arm to the home position and press the 'Home' button on the accessory box. This will be the reference position for all added locations.

Add three fastener locations. Click the Add(+) button to add a new location. Move the tool onto the first fastener. The encoder values in the 'Current' column will update with the encoder counts for this position. Click 'Use Current Position' to use the current arm position for the location. Set the 'Parameter' field to 1 to select PSet 1 for this position. Click OK/Check to save this position. Repeat this sequence for fasteners 2 and 3. Set PSet 2 for location 2 and PSet 3 for location 3.

Click the OK/Check button on the main Smart Arm configuration screen to save all the location.



The controller will now select the correct PSet when it is located over a defined location. Once located over the fastener all Smart Arm stops will be cleared, the correct PSet will be selected, and the tool will become enabled.

Smart	Smart Arm				
Ena	Enabled				
IP Address				192.168.10	0.5
Fun	nction		Verif	y PSet	•
Part Image					
Locati	ons				
#		Position		Verify PSet	
1	[0, 0, 0, 0]			1	
2	[350, 0, 0, 0]			2	
3	[700, 0, 0, 0]			3	

11. Example: Command Bolt Locations via External Source

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Example Overview

This example shows how to set up a more complex control scheme. This application will have the following requirements:

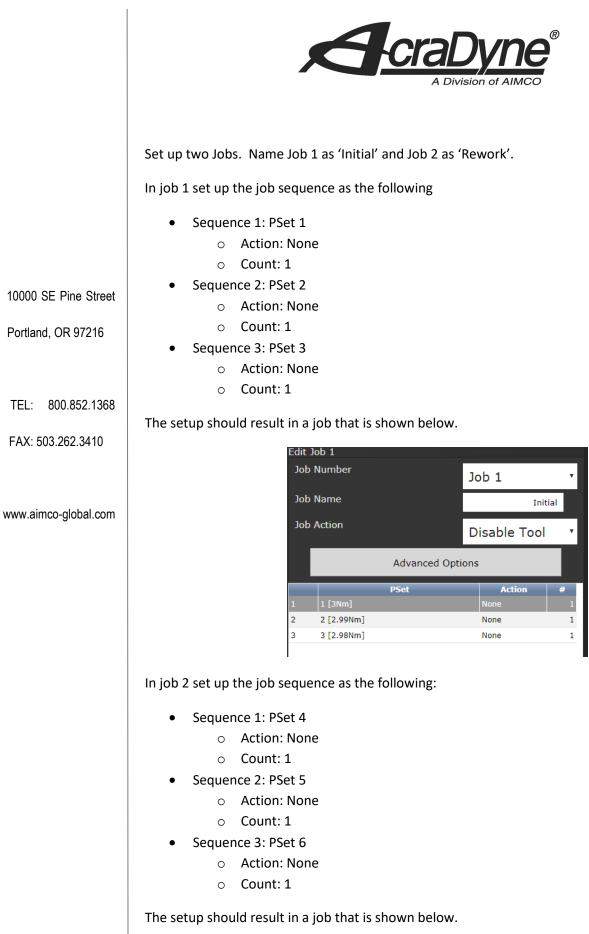
- Three fasteners
- Each fastener has two unique tightening specifications
 - o Initial work
 - o Re-work

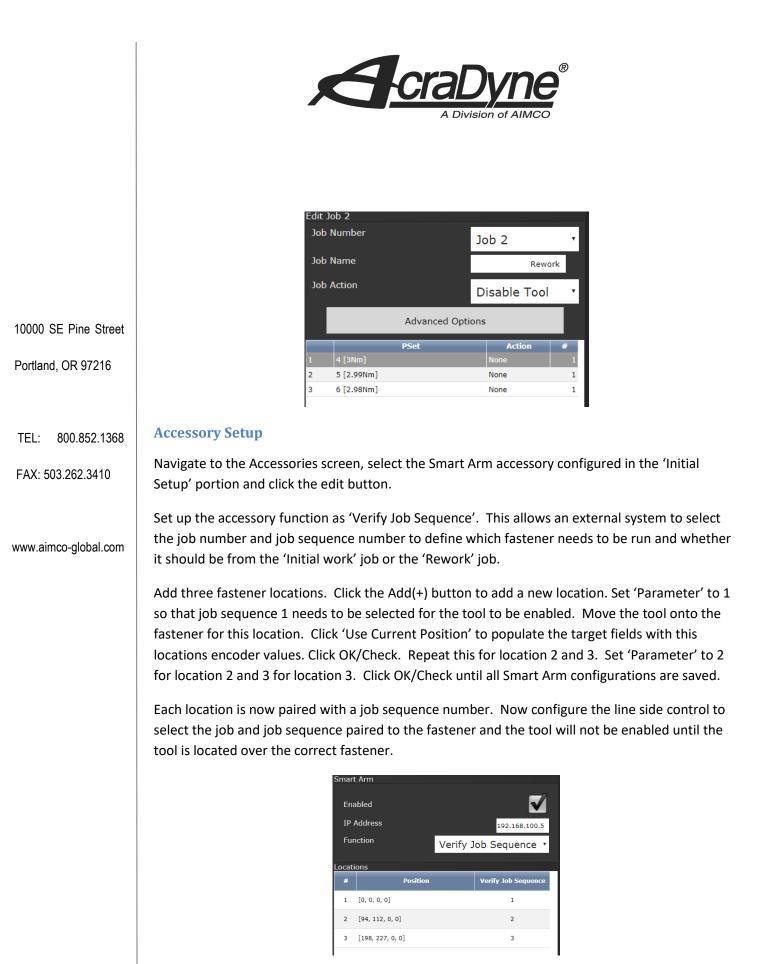
This application will use jobs to select the work type (initial or rework) and then select a job sequence number that is tied to the fastener number. Two jobs will be created (initial and rework). Each job will have three job sequences (one for each fastener). Each of the three fasteners have two tightening specs so this gives six PSets. Job 1 will use PSets 1-3 for the 'Initial' work PSets, and Job 2 will use PSets 4-6 for 'Rework' PSets.

PSet Setup

Set up six PSets. These can be named in the advanced settings to make it more clear which PSet is for which bolt.

Job Setup





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	External Control		
	Line side control can be used to command which fastener needs to be run. Select the Job that matches the work type (initial or rework) and select the job sequence number that is tied to the fastener location. Configure the assignable IO for the required interface type (CC-Link, Anybus, etc.) to select a job number and job sequence number. Refer to the white paper for the specific interface for configuration details.		
10000 SE Pine Street	In this example, selecting Job 1 and Job Sequence 2 will select PSet 2 and disable the controller until the arm is in the correct position for fastener 2.		
Portland, OR 97216	Selecting Job 2 and Job Sequence 3 will select PSet 6 and disable the controller until the arm is in the correct position for fastener 3.		
TEL: 800.852.1368 FAX: 503.262.3410	The front panel and physical IO can be used to select job number, sequence number, and reset job if needed for testing. The job can be changed by holding the toggle button and pressing an up/down button. Job sequence can be changed by just pressing an up or down button when jobs are enabled.		

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12. Adding a proximity or limit switch

A proximity switch or limit switch can be wired in to one of the encoder inputs. This will allow one of the encoder readings to read as 0/1 or 0/-1 depending on how the switch is wired. The switch will always read one of two states so the range for that encoder will need to be set to 0. For the configuration in the image below the 3rd encoder is set to work with a proximity switch. The location is only valid when the encoder is reading a -1. The range is 0 so that the target has to be an exact match.

Smar	t Arm				
Pai	Parameter 1				
Enco	oders				
#	Target	Range +	Range -	Current	
1	0	20	20	8	
2	0	20	20	6	
3	-1	0	0	0	
4	0	20	20	0	
	Use Current Position				

Use the pinouts in "Hardware Connections" to wire in the proximity switch to an M12-8 connector. Use 0V (pin 1) and 12V (pin 2) to power the switch and connect the signal wire to the 'A' input (pin 3)



13. Smart Arm Runscreen

Summary

100000 SE Pine Street	A runscreen is available that can show the fastening locations on an uploaded image. Only one custom image (470 x 550 pixels) is supported. The basic steps to set up the runscreen are below:
Portland, OR 97216	 Perform all steps previously shown to connect to the smart arm, add all fastener locations, and determine whether the arm position changes pset/job sequence/etc. Upload an image that will show the locations of fasteners Associate the fastener locations to locations on the image
TEL: 800.852.1368 FAX: 503.262.3410	<u>Notes</u> : An image is not required to use the smart arm. The system can be run without a custom image using the setup before this section. This feature was added in SYSREL 3R18 (Application version 1.95)
	Configuration Overview
www.aimco-global.com	The smart arm and runscreen can be configured in many different ways to fit the user's needs. Almost any IO functionality works in conjunction with the smart arm display. The most common setups are shown below but a wider array of IO, Job, and Arm functions are available.
	 Arm position selects PSets The controller changes PSet based on arm location. No fastening sequence is needed by the application. The screen will show all locations as valid positions to insert a fastener. Job enabled, Arm selects job sequence
	a. The sequence of inserting fasteners is determined by the arm. The job system will disable the controller if the arm is positioned over a fastener that is part of has already been completed. The locations on the screen will reset when the job is complete or the 'Job Complete' IO is triggered. This system also allows more flexibility with PSet choice. If a set of fastenings have different torque/angle requirements depending on if the part is new or being reworked then the job can be changed so a different set of PSets is associated with the same fastener locations.
	 3. Job enabled, IO Selects job sequence, Arm verifies job sequence a. This setup works best if the line side control determines which fasteners can be inserted. The IO will select the job sequence and the controller will be disabled until the arm is positioned over a location in that job sequence. This is a good option when each fastener needs to be individually commanded to be run via IO.



Each job sequence can contain one fastener and the job sequence is equivalent to the location number. This way the smart arm position location number and parameter can be matched to the job sequence number. This way the same PSet can be used for multiple fasteners because the job sequence number is the value tied to the location number. The job number can be changed which allows different fastening parameters to be connected to the same locations.

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lcon	Meaning	Notes
\oplus	Current Location	The encoder states match the encoder location tied to this smart arm screen location
\bigcirc	Valid Location	This location is a valid position to move the arm to enable the tool.
\oplus	Invalid Location	This is a position that is registered but the tool will not be enabled when the arm is in this location. The IO or Job is commanding that a different position be run.
	Location OK, Current Location	A rundown has been successfully run in this position and the arm is currently positioned in this location
	Location NOK, Current Location	A rundown has failed in this position and the arm is currently positioned in this location.
\checkmark	Location OK	A rundown has been successfully run in this position
×	Location NOK	A rundown has failed in this position



Clearing locations

The 'Reset Job' input will always clear the Smart Arm Runscreen. Any positions marked as complete will be reset.

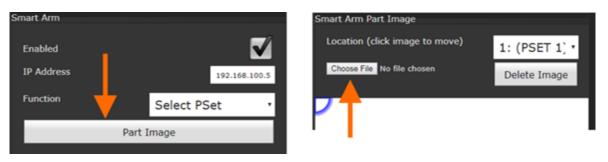
14. Example: Select PSets Based on Location with Image

Example Overview

This example expands on the previous example 'Select PSets Based on Location'. Follow that example before proceeding. Once that example is complete there will be three locations programmed in the controller so that the controller will enable the tool and select a specific PSet when the tool is located over a fastener. Now a runscreen will be added so that these three locations.

Upload the image

Click on the 'Part Image' button on the Smart Arm configuration screen and then 'Choose File' from the image selection screen. The image can be uploaded from a USB drive from the controller touch screen or uploaded from a PC when accessing the controller over a web connection.



Add locations on the image

Once an image is selected it will show up in the space below. Now select a previously set up location from the top right and then select the space to associate with that location. Do this for every location and then save. Save again on the Smart Arm configuration screen.

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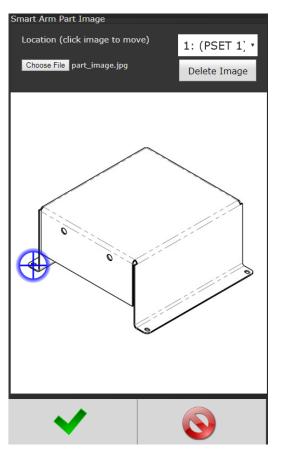
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1 - Adding locations #1



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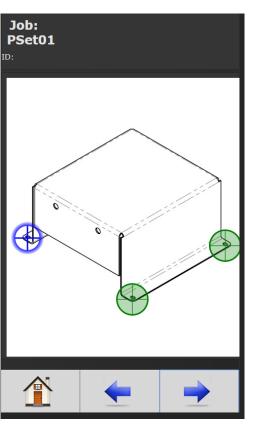
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Runscreen Behavior

Return to the main runscreen and click left/right arrows until the screen with the part image is shown. The system is now set up to allow the controller to change psets based on the arm position. All valid positions will be blinking with a green target. When the arm encoder values match an associated location then the active location will turn blue indicating the current position and the active PSet will change.



2 - Current valid position is marked blue. Other valid locations marked with green targets.



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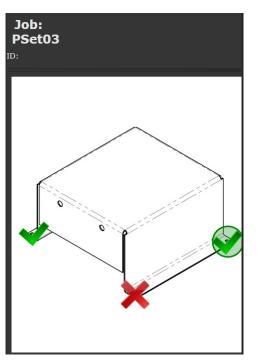
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3 - Fasteners are marked as they are completed. Failed fastenings are marked NOK. Status icons will clear when all fasteners have been successfully inserted.



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15. Example: Command Bolt Locations via External Source with Image

Example Overview

This example expands on the sample setup where an external source is commanding which fastener needs to be inserted. Go through the setup in the 'Command Bolt Locations via External Source' before proceeding. At this point the system will be set up as follows:

- Summary A fixture with three bolts to be inserted. Each of the three bolts has a fixed location. Each bolt has specific torque requirements depending on if this is the first time the bolt has been inserted or if the bolt is being reworked. The input on the IO determines which bolt is to be inserted.
- Two jobs One for initial fastening and one for rework fastenings
 - o Job 1 contains the three PSets for the initial fastening
 - Job 2 contains the three PSets for rework fastenings



- Six PSets Two for each bolt (initial fastening or rework)
- Jobs are enabled
- The accessory 'Function' is set to 'Verify Job Sequence'
- Assignable inputs are set to 'Select job sequence'

Setup details

10000 SE Pine Street Add the image and three locations as shown in the last example.

Portland, OR 97216 Runscreen Behavior

Return to the runscreen and navigate to the screen with the part image. The image will now direct the user to fasten the bolt that is being commanded from the 'Select Job Sequence' input.

FAX: 503.262.3410The next images show what happens when the Arm is over location 1 but the commanded Job
Sequence from IO changes from 1, 2, and then 3.

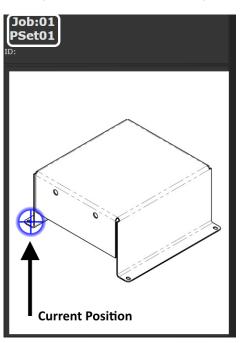
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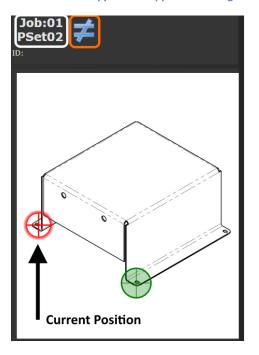
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4 - Job Seq 1 is selected. Arm is in correct position.



5 - Job Seq 2 is selected. Arm is in position 1 (shown in red as incorrect position) and screen shows green target highlighting fastener to be inserted. Stopped icon appears showing that the tool is disabled.



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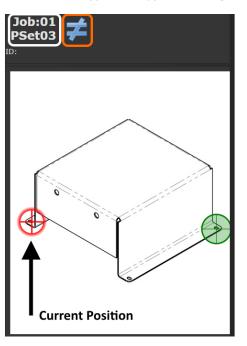
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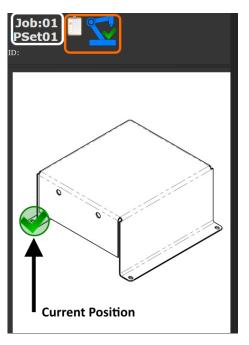
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6 - Job Seq 3 is selected. Arm is in position 1 (shown in red as incorrect position) and screen shows green target highlighting fastener to be inserted. Stopped icon appears showing that the tool is disabled.



7 - First fastener has been inserted successfully. Current position is marked OK. Status bar shows 'Job Sequence Complete' and 'Location Complete'.



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8 - All fasteners inserted. Tool is disabled. Status bar shows job complete. Reset job to start new part.



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