Unity platform

Increased efficiency and functionality for joining with your Henrob self-pierce riveting systems HENRO

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Unity platform

With Atlas Copco equipment and rivets, the self-pierce riveting (SPR) process combines high joint integrity with rapid assembly time for advanced and lightweight materials.

Unity is the improved Henrob product line that ensures reliable and flexible production, fulfilling high quality demands while reducing cycle times and maintenance.

Compatible with Industry 4.0 and data-driven services, Unity enables an integrated SPR system that can be relied on, both today and for the future.



Improved efficiency

Repeatable high productivity and quality while improving rivet cycle time



Enhanced user experience

Superior design and accessibility of system components for easy and quick usability & serviceability



Reduced total cost of ownership

Error elimination and reduced downtimes combined with energy efficiency improves the bottom line







Ideal flexibility for global platform commonizing strategies across vehicle lines



Advanced rivet design for joining new materials with increased strength and lighter weight



Factory data collection and analysis to improve productivity, quality and reduce costs

Full adoption of Atlas Copco branding for physical equipment and software interfaces Magazine with 30% faster cycle time and lower, cost-saving air requirements New setter reduces life cycle costs by 35%, doubling the life between major cycles Controller HMI with multiple languages including Asian for global continuity Scalable data architecture for flexibility in all manufacturing environments

Unity platform system arrangements

Automated tape feed systems



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Automated magazine feed systems



Rivet setting system modules

Tool layout and modules

Magazine assembly

Dual tracks: 30 rivets per track = 60 rivets per magazine

Suitable for full range of typical automotive rivets

Reduced compressed air supply needs of only 4 bar (60 psi)

Mounting bracket

Safe loading

Adaptors for all major robot manufacturers

Can be mounted at rear, top, front, or angled

Standard pedestal pattern

C-frame

Designed to accept the loads of the setter

No orientation limits

Standard library tools available as well as custom designed products

Feeder assembly

Stores the rivet just before it is inserted

Quick change out reduces production line downtime during maintenance

Probes and sensors detect rivet presence and correct positioning

Die post

Houses the upsetting die

Modular design for lengths required

L-shaped and rocket-shaped posts according to system needs

G1.6 servo setter

Doubles the life between major services (4 million cycles)

Higher productivity energy-based systems mean more rivets per cycle time

Setting force up to 85kN

Rivet feeding: Tape feed systems

Reliable, robust, and cost-effective

Tape feed delivery of rivets is a fast, low maintenance, and cost-effective option of rivet supply.

Rivets are supplied in plastic tape on spools that is fed though the nose of the tool using a pneumatically driven sprocket wheel. An internal sensor detects when the rivet is correctly positioned for insertion. Consistent feed is assured with an anti-pull back assembly that prevents movement of the rivets at the riveting position. An end-of-tape sensor gives early warning of an empty spool to allow for quick and immediate spool changes.

A single spool can hold up to 10,000 rivets and the riveting assembly can be mounted on a stationary pedestal or a robot.

Mechanical poka-yoke versions of the spool assembly are available to error-proof loading.

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Rivet feeding: Loose feed systems

Robot and pedestal mounted direct blow and magazine feed systems

Rivets are supplied loose in bags or in poka-yoke bottles and are fed into the rivet setter down a T-tube from the bulk rivet feeder using compressed air. This avoids having to manage waste tape in high volume automated applications as well as the downtime from replenishing rivets.

Magazine feed systems offer quick continuous operation with up to two different rivet types. Each magazine has two tracks that can hold 30 rivets each, for a total of 60 rivets per load. This flexibility allows for the most efficient use of floor space and cycle times.



Loose feed bulk feeders

Scan here for a brief animation <u>on PY fee</u>der



Loose rivet feed equipment



Rivet fill stands

The rivet fill stand facilitates the transfer of rivets from the bulk feeder to the magazine assembly mounted on the riveting system. It is comprised of the *rivet fill support stand*, bolted to the floor, and the *rivet fill docking station*, which allows the rivets to pass through.

Rivets are blown with compressed air from the T-tube, through the rivet fill stand into the magazine assembly. Two different rivets of the same nominal diameter can be blown through the assembly.

Rivet shuttles

Rivet shuttle plates allow two different rivet types of the same diameter to be fed to a pedestal mounted riveting system.

In this 2-to-1 option, two bulk feeders supply rivets when requested. A gate is actuated by a pneumatic cylinder allowing the selected rivet to be fed into the system.

Control panel with Unity Data Point

The control panel is the electronic interface between customer robots or production cell controller. It also communicates with other ancillary devices as well as providing the signal to control the rivet insertion process.

Designed for all standard system layouts and multi-communication protocols, the Unity control panel reduces complexity and offers a solution that fits a complete production line.

The improved HMI with multi-language, including Asian languages, enhances the global usability. Its touch screen allows operators to review diagnostics and data.



Ancillaries Die changer

The automatic die changer has been developed to allow a rivet setting system to change to an alternative to improve the riveting process.

The 1-for-7 system has a rotating carousel with capacity for 7 different dies and up to 5 spare dies per each type. A 1-for-1 version is available to give a low-investment, process change opportunity.



Die check camera



Used between cycles, this 0.5 second check gives you assurance the die will be secure the next time you use the setting equipment The Die check camera reliably and automatically detects broken dies to insure your riveting assembly continues producing quality joints. The image sensor takes a snapshot of the upsetting die currently in use and compares its integrity to a previously taught good condition.

Compatible with the latest Unity platform as well as most previous platforms, it allows flexibility and forward functionality of your current and future SPR systems.



Unity platform remote data

Designed with data-driven service packages in mind

Data collection and analysis by Unity remote data software improves uptime and allows for scalable architecture. Unity will continue to develop to fully support DDS packages including:

- Remote Expert
- Data Driven Maintenance
- Data Driven Efficiency Optimization

We can optimize your processes and settings to ensure secure system connections and to interpret or evaluate collected data. Root causes can be identified and improvement actions can be indicated through interfaces that monitor your success.

ToolsNet





Data-driven services optimize your processes by tracking each riveted joint and data-logging process and equipment diagnostics. It provides detailed performance data on how the production line is running and where to focus maintenance resources.

System back-up features allow a rapid upload of system data to support emergencies on the production line. Implemented changes can be tracked.



Scalable architecture





Your globalized self-pierce riveting solution



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Enhanced user experience



Reduced total cost of ownership

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