ROBOTIQ USER INTERFACE INSTRUCTION MANUAL





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1. Terms of Service

The following manual describes the Robotiq User Interface software provided with Robotiq's Adaptive Robot Grippers. The Robotiq User Interface is a software compatible with all up-to-date Robotiq products.

Disambiguation:

The terms "User Interface", "Robotiq UI", "Control Software" all refer to the Robotiq User Interface.

Proper use:

The User Interface is designed to allow Gripper :

- Testing.
- Demo mode.
- Xbox remote control mode.
- Communication protocol configuration.

🔒 Note

Robotiq User Interface software is designed for the testing, debugging and demo control of Robotiq's Grippers. It is not a production purpose or continuous control software.

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By using the Robotiq User Interface to operate your Robotiq device, you agree that under no circumstances whatsoever shall Robotiq be liable to any person, user or purchaser, firm or corporation for any special, indirect or consequential damages, wheter for breach of contract, negligence, misrepresentation or otherwise and whether resulting in lost profits, interest on borrowed or invested money, impairment of goods, work stoppage or otherwise in any way arising out of the purchase or use of any product or service provided by Robotiq or any other transaction to which Robotiq's <u>Standard Terms</u> applies.

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2. Requirements

To use this version of the Robotiq User Interface, you will need:

- Any Robotiq Adaptive Robot Gripper and its power cable (see your Gripper Wiring section in the proper <u>Instru</u> <u>ction Manual</u>)
- A computer with :
 - Windows XP or newer.
 - At least 50MB of main memory.
 - A USB port and/or an Ethernet port (Modbus TCP optional).
- A 24V power source for the Gripper.
- A small Phillips screwdriver (for 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper).
- A USB 2.0 Male-A to Male-A. (Connection via the USB uses Modbus RTU).
- Optional:
 - Modbus TCP communication protocol : Ethernet cable.
 - Xbox controls : Xbox controller.

🔒 Info

The USB cable that is needed for the configuration of the communication protocol is provided with the Adaptive Gripper.

🔒 Note

Required USB cable may be different for 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper models older than version 7. See <u>documentation archives</u>.

🔒 Note

Modbus TCP is available if you have the Modbus TCP communication protocol option present on your Robotiq product. Note that EtherNet IP and EtherCAT, although they use RJ45 cables, are not compatible with standard Ethernet cards and are not supported by the User Interface.

3. Installation

Warning

Be sure to read and understand the <u>Instruction Manual</u> related to your Robotiq Gripper prior to installation.

🔒 Note

You will need administrator access on your personal computer to install the Robotiq User Interface.

3.1 Software Installation

To install the Robotiq User Interface software:

1. Launch the Robotiq User Interface installer from "Robotiq User Interface Setup.exe" provided by Robotiq.

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- 2. Choose the installer language and click "Ok".
- 3. Follow the setup steps until you can click "Install". See Figure 3.1.1

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Y	You can leave the settings on default or choose an installation directory of your own.

🞐 Setup - Robotiq User Interfa	
	Welcome to the Robotiq User Interface Setup Wizard
	This will install Robotic User Interface version 1.4.0 on your computer.
	It is recommended that you dose all other applications before continuing.
	Click Next to continue, or Cancel to exit Setup.
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	Next > Cancel

Figure 3.1.1 : Robotiq User Interface Install.

4. After installation is completed you can launch the Robotiq User Interface, if you do not have the required drivers for the USB connection with the Gripper, please select the box shown in figure 3.1.2.

📮 Warning

To use the Modbus RTU communication protocol via the USB port, you need to select the driver installation shown in Figure 3.1.2.

🍃 Setup - Robotiq User Interfa	
	Completing the Robotiq User Interface Setup Wizard Setup has finished installing Robotiq User Interface on your computer. The application may be launched by selecting the installed icons. Click Finish to exit Setup. Install the following driver (required to connect to the gripper through a PC USB port): Microsoft (MHQ), cartified USB setial drivers for Windows 8.1, Windows 8.1, x64, Windows 8, Windows 8 X64, Windows Server 2008, R2, Windows 7, Windows 7 x64, Windows Server 2008, Windows Server 2008, x64, Windows Server 2008, x64, Windows XF, Windows XF
	Finish

Figure 3.1.2 : Completing the installation of Robotiq User Interface.

USB driver installation :

- 1. If the driver install option was selected, then "FTDi CDM Drivers" will automatically open once the Robotiq User Interface install program is completed.
- 2. Select "Extract" shown in figure 3.1.3, and the drivers will be installed.

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(É	FTDI CDM Drivers Click Extract' In unpack version 2.08.30 of FTDDs Windows Driver Package and launch the installer.
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Figure 3.1.3 : Extracting USB drivers.

3. Select "Finish" shown in Figure 3.1.4,

Device Driver Installation Wizard			
	Completing the Device Driver Installation Wizard		
	The drivers were successfully installed on this computer.		
	You can now connect your device to this computer. If your device came with instructions, please read them first.		
8 ×000000000	Driver Name	Status	
	 FTDI CDM Driver Packa FTDI CDM Driver Packa 	Ready to use 2.	
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Figure 3.1.4 : Completed driver installation.

3.2 Connection via Modbus RTU

🔒 Info

The USB cable needed is provided with your Adaptive Gripper.

In order to connect the Adaptive Gripper via USB for Modbus RTU:

- 1. For Robotiq 3-Fingers Adaptive Robot Gripper :
 - a. Unplug the Gripper from the power source by disconnecting the power cable from the Gripper.
 - b. Remove the USB port panel by unscrewing the two screws (shown in Figure 3.2.1). A Phillips screwdriver is needed.
 - c. Connect the Gripper to your computer with a USB 2.0 Male-A to Male-A cable.
 - d. Reconnect the power cable to the power receptacle and your Gripper, then power up the Gripper with a 24V power source (not included) as described in the <u>Wiring section</u>.



Figure 3.2.1 : Completed USB connection of the 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper.

- 2. For Robotiq 2-Finger Adaptive Robot Grippers :
 - a. Unplug the Gripper and Controller from the power source by disconnecting the power cable from the Controller.
 - b. Connect the Controller to your computer with a USB 2.0 Micro-B or a USB 2.0 Micro-A cable.
 - c. Reconnect the power cable to the Controller, (Figure 3.2.2) then power up the Controller and Gripper with a 24V power source (not included) as described in the appropriate Instruction Manual wiring section, for the 2-Finger-85 see this <u>Wiring</u> Section, for the 2-Finger-200 see this <u>Wiring</u> Section.



Figure 3.2.2 : Completed USB connection of the 2-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper Controller.

If you are connected through the USB port and the configuration is finished, follow these steps to access the Gripper:

- 1. Disconnect the Gripper with the **Disconnect** button found in the User Interface menu or simply **quit** the program.
- 2. Unplug the Gripper from the power source by disconnecting the power cable.
- 3. Unplug the Gripper from your PC by removing the USB cable.
 - a. For 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Grippers : Replace the USB port panel by screwing back the two screws (shown in Figure 3.2.1). A Phillips screwdriver is needed.
- 4. Reconnect the power and communication cables to the Gripper as described in the associated Wiring section.

3.3 Connection via Modbus TCP

🔒 Info

The Ethernet cable needed is optional and may not be provided with your Adaptive Gripper.

🔒 Note

For security reasons, when connected via Modbus TCP, control of the Gripper is not allowed. Simple Control tab will be disable and controls will be read-only. The Modbus TCP connection allows only for debugging via the input /output registers. To control the Gripper, please connect via Modbus RTU (USB).

To connect to your Adaptive Gripper via Ethernet port for Modbus TCP:

- 1. Unplug the Gripper from the power source by disconnecting the power cable from the 3-Finger Gripper (Figure 3.3.1) or the power connector from the Controller for the 2-Finger Gripper (Figure 3.3.2).
- 2. Connect the Ethernet cable to your computer by either :
 - a. 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper : Connect Ethernet cable M12 connector to the COM Gripper receptacle.



Figure 3.3.1 : Modbus TCP cabling setup for Robotiq 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper

b. 2-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper series : Connect the Ethernet cable RJ45 connector to the Robotiq Controller.



Figure 3.3.2 : Modbus TCP cabling setup for Robotiq 2-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper Series.

3. Reconnect the power cable to either the Gripper or the Controller, then power up the Gripper with a 24V power source (not included) as described in the Wiring section.

4. User Interface Description

Before connecting to your Robotiq Gripper you will need to agree to Robotiq's Terms of Service (see Figure 4.1). The terms are detailed in Section 1. <u>Terms of Service</u>.



Figure 4.1 Robotiq Disclaimer.

After accepting the Terms of Service, you will be granted access to the Robotiq User Interface connection screen. You need to connect to the Robotiq Gripper you will be using (see Figure 4.2).

🗹 Tip

To connect to a device, simply double click its address, enter the address manually and press Enter or use the Auto-Connect feature.

- 1. First, choose between **Gripper Types**, you can either choose 3-Finger or 2-Finger (both 85 and 200 models), if you choose the **Auto-Connect** feature, Gripper Type will be automatically determined.
- 2. Address :
 - a. You can **manually enter** the **IP address** for the Modbus TCP connection or leave it blank for **Auto-Co nnect**.

You can also use **Search for device** if you want to determine if a Robotiq Gripper is detected. Figure 4.2 shows the Robotiq User Interface while scanning for your device (yellow) and shows detected device (green).

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Adaptive Robot Gripper	Adaptive Robot Gripper	Adaptive Robot Gripper
C 3-Finger	C 3-Finger	C 3-Finger
Manual IP Address	Manual IP Address	Manual IP Address
COM8 COM7 COM2 COM13 COM1	COM2 COM7 COM2 COM13 COM1	COM8 COM7 COM2 COM13 COM1
Recover Device Auto Connect Search for devices	Recover Device Auto Connect Search for devices	Recover Device Auto Connect Search for devices

Figure 4.2 Scanning for device (left), device found (middle) and no device found (right).

- 3. You can use the Auto-Connect feature, which will connect to the first found Robotiq device.
- 4. If you have changed the ModbusRTU communication parameters of your gripper, it won't be detected during the "Search for Devices". To recover it, select the COM port, press the button "Recover Device" and power cycle your gripper. The program will attempt during 10 seconds to boot the device with its default communication parameters.

Once you are connected to a Robotiq device, the first tab becomes activated (shown in Figure 4.3). The first tab is the **Simple Control Tab** (detailed in <u>Section 5.</u>), it can be split into the following:

- Initialization and Gripper Fault Status
- Interface Options
- Operation Mode
- Control Parameters
- Gripper Feedback
- Menus: Connection, View and Help

An optional **Advanced Control Tab** (detailed in <u>Section 5.1.6</u>) is available for the Robotiq 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper.

🔒 Reminder

Simple Control Tab and **Advanced Control Tab** are only accessible via Modbus RTU since control is not allowed in Modbus TCP for security reasons.

The second tab is the **Communication Protocol Tab** (detailed in <u>Section 6.</u>) and will be identified as the name of your communication option.

The third tab is the **Device Information Tab** (detailed in <u>Section 7.</u>) and will show your device firmware information.

There is a fourth tab which allows the modification of the **ModbusRTU communication parameters**. This tab is visible only if your device supports this features.

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🗹 Activate 🐨 Go to req. pos. 🗐 Auto-release	Finger A Pos. Req. 0 /255	Finger C Pos. Req. 0 /255
Operation Mode	Finger A Speed 255 /255	Finger C Speed 255 /255
Basic S Pinch Wide Scissor	Finger A Force 100 /255	Finger C Force 100 /255
Gripper Options	Finger D	Scissor
🗏 Glove Mode	Linger B Pos. Req. 1/255	Seissor Pos. Reg. 0 /255
Automatic Centering Individual Control of Fingers A. B and C	Linger II Speed	Scissor Speed 755 /255
E Individual Control of Scissor (Disable Oper, Mode)	Finger D Force	5clssor Force //255
Gripper Feedback		
Detection Position	Position	Current
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Finger B 5	200	500 -
Finger C 5	9 100	
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Figure 4.3 The Robotiq User Interface tabs.

5. Control

Control Tabs will vary according to your Gripper. For control of the 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper consult <u>Section</u> <u>5.1</u>, while control of the 2-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper series are in <u>Section 5.2</u>.

Details of the **Communication Tab** and **Device Information Tab** are common to all products and can be found in <u>S</u> ection 6 and <u>Section 7</u> respectively.

5.1 Control of the 3-Finger Gripper

Once you are connected to your 3-Finger Gripper, the first tab becomes activated (see Figure 5.1.1).

The first tab is the Simple Control tab, it can be split into the following:

- Initialization and Gripper Fault Status
- Interface Options
- Operation Mode
- <u>Control Parameters</u>
- Gripper Feedback
- Menus: Connection, View and Help



Figure 5.1.1 Gripper Simple Control tab description.

The Advanced Control tab will be detailed in Section 5.1.6

5.1.1 Initialization & Gripper Status

Activate

Once on the Simple Control tab page, the Adaptive Gripper needs to be activated before being used. Simply click the "Activate" button in the Initialization and Gripper Fault Status section. The Gripper will start its initialization procedure and once completed the Gripper status text box located under the "Activate" button will display "No Fault".



After the initialization process is completed the Gripper is ready to be used.

The Activate button must stay checked while using the Gripper.

Go to requested position

Note

Commands the Gripper to go to the selected "Position Request" as designated by the slider in the Control Parameters section.

Auto-release

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Commands the Gripper to slowly open, overriding all previous commands. After Auto-release is completed the Gripper must be reactivated, the "Activate" button must be unchecked and rechecked.

🔒 Caution

Auto-release is only meant for emergency procedures, use the "Go to requested position" command for normal use.

5.1.2 Interface Options

"Interface Options" allows you to choose between two options:

- Xbox Joystick control allows control of the Gripper using a remote Xbox controller (see Figure 5.1.2.1 for a summary of the available controls).
- Demo Mode commands the Gripper to cycle through its operation modes with pauses after every move.

To disable any of the options simply uncheck the corresponding box.

You can view the Joystick Controls from the View menu by clicking Xbox Controls



Figure 5.1.2.1 : Xbox Controls for the 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper.

5.1.3 Operation Mode

You can select the operation mode of your Gripper in the "Operation Mode" section of the Robotiq User Interface. Simply check the corresponding radio button or click on the corresponding picture to activate any mode.

For a description of the operation modes see the general presentation in <u>Section 1</u> of the 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper Instruction Manual.

5.1.4 Control Parameters

The "Control Parameters" section of the User Interface can customize all the parameters for the Gripper (see Figure 5.1.4.1) :

• **Pos. Request** slider sets the reach position of the Gripper when the "Go to requested position" button of the Initialization and Gripper Fault Status sections are filled with a numeric value. The value can be set anywhere between 0 (fully open) and 255 (fully closed).



- **Force** slider will control the gripping force limit of the Gripper. The value can be set anywhere between 0 and 255 with 255 being the maximum force.
- **Speed** slider will control the closing or opening speed of the Gripper. The value can be set anywhere between 0 and 255 with 255 being the maximum speed.

8	Info

Force or speed settings at 0 does not mean null value, it means minimum value, see your Adaptive Gripper Instruction Manual for details.





5.1.5 Gripper Feedback

The "Gripper Feedback" section provides you with information concerning the current status of the Adaptive Gripper .

• **Object Detection**: If the Gripper detects a contact with an object when closing, the "Object Detection" display turns yellow on the corresponding finger (see Figure 5.1.5.1). Object detections are displayed independently for each of the three fingers and the scissor axis.



Figure 5.1.5.1 : Positive object detection is registered when the object detection dot turns yellow.

- **Position** (numeric): The digital display of "Position" shows the position of the associated finger as designated on a scale of 0 to 255 (see <u>Section 4.6</u> for details of the 3-Finger Instruction Manual).
- **Position** (graphic): The visual display of "Position" shows the real-time position of each finger graphically. Each axis has an associated color.
- **Current** (graphic): The "Current" graph shows the amount of current going through each motor. Each axis has an associated color (see Figure 5.1.5.2).



Figure 5.1.5.2 : Digital and visual displays of the finger positions and electrical current usage.

5.1.6 Advanced Control Tab

The **Advanced Control** tab allows additional Gripper Options (Figure 5.1.6.1). When first selected the Advanced Control tab works exactly like the Simple Control described in <u>section 5.1.3</u>. However, the Gripper Options section differs from Simple Control :

- Glove Mode (product in development, do not click if you are not using the Robotiq Glove).
- Individual Control of fingers A, B and C.
- Individual Control of Scissor motion.

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Initialization and Gripper Fault Status	Pos/Speed/Force (Finger A)		Finger C	
🗵 Activate 🗵 Go to req. pos. 📃 Auto-release	Finger A Pos. Req.	0 /255	Finger C Pos. Req.	0 /255
Operation Mode	Linger A Speed	255 /255	Linger C Speed	255 /255
Basic O Pinch O Wide O Scissor	Finger A Force	100 /255	Finger C Force	100 /255
Gripper Options	- Finger B	NCED GRI	Scissor	
E Glove Mode	Figer R Pos. Req.	0 /255	Scissor Pos. Req.	0 /255
Automatic Centering Individual Control of Fingers A. B. and C.	Finger B Speed	255 /255	Scissor Speed	255 /255
E Individual Control of Scissor (Disable Oper, Mode)	Finger B Force	100 /255	Scissor Force	100 /255
Gripper Feedback	N			
Detection Position	Position		Curre	nt
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Linger C E	8 100 - 	2.0	200 - 200 -	
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Figure 5.1.6.1 : Options available in Advanced Control mode.

The **Individual Control of Fingers** will allow you to control Force, Speed and Position Request of each finger individually. Figure 5.1.6.2 shows each finger control panel. Please refer to <u>section 5.1.4</u> for more information about the Control Parameters.

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Operation Mode	Finger A Speed 255 /255	Finger C Speed 255 /255		
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Gripper Options		Scissor		
🔄 Glove Mode	FINGER B CONTROL Finger B Pos. Req. 55 /255	Scissor Pos. Req 200 /255		
Automatic Centering	Lance French			
Individual Control of Fingers A, B and C	Fingers Speed	Scisor speed		
Tribividual Control of Scissor (Disable Oper: Mode)	Linger Billorce 100 /255	Seissor Lorce [100] /255		
Gripper Feedback				
	ONTROL Position	Current		
Finger A OPTED	N ²⁵⁰	800		
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Finger C.		2 400 2 300		
sdissor (31				
Connected to COM33.		は 2011-2014 Robotiq. All rights reserved.		

Figure 5.1.6.2 : Individual Control of Fingers on the 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper User Interface.

The **Individual Control of Scissor** mode will allow the control of the Scissor axis in the same way as the fingers, following the Control Parameters described in <u>section 5.1.4</u>. Note that this control overrides the Operation Mode selection. The Operation Mode group box becomes disabled when the Individual Control of Scissor option is selected to reflect this behavior, as shown in figure 5.1.6.3.

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Basic Pinch Wide Scissor	Finger A Force 100	/255 Finger C Force 100 /2
Gripper Options	- Finger B	Scissor
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Automatic Centering Jodividual Control of Fingers A. B. and C.	Finger B Speed	/255 Scissor Speed
Individual Control of Scissor (Disable Oper: Mode)	Finger B Force	/255 Scissor Force 100 /2
Gripper Auddack	SCISSOR Position	Current
CONTROL	ÔPTIÔN	200 -
Finger B 20	5 ISO -	<u><u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u><u></u></u></u>
Finger C 201	100-	- 000 E
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Figure 5.1.6.3 : Individual Control of Scissor on the 3-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper User Interface.

Individual Control of Finger and Individual Control of Scissor can both be activated at the same time, all individual control sections will become activated, Operation Mode will be disabled.

5.2 Control of the 2-Finger Gripper Series

This section guides you through the control of the 2-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper series via the Simple Control tab.

Once you are connected to your 2-Finger Gripper, the first tab becomes activated (see Figure 5.2.2).

Your Gripper model will be displayed in the Model Display box with related image and Current graphic.

🔒 Note

For security reasons, control of the 2-Finger-200 is not permitted, Communication Protocol Configuration Tab and Device Information Tab are still accessible and you will get the Simple Control shown in Figure 5.2.1 (read-only). If you connect via Modbus TCP to any Gripper, control will also be disabled (read-only).

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Connection View Help	
Simple Control Device Information	
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Control Die Griggen using en Xbox Joystick	Pos. Request 100 /255
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Auto release : Direction Open	Force 100 /255
Gripper Feedback	
2-Finger-200 Position	Current
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Connected to COM22.	© 2011-2014 Robotig, All rights reserved.

Figure 5.2.1 : The Simple Control tab is disable for the Robotiq User Interface of the 2-Finger-200 or any Gripper when connected via Modbus TCP.

🔒 Info

Selecting a different Gripper model will not change the control settings, but it will adjust the current scale on the Current graph.



Figure 5.2.2 : The Simple Control tab for the Robotiq User Interface for 2-Finger-85 and 2-Finger-200.

The first tab is the Simple Control tab, it can be split into the following:

- Initialization and Gripper Fault Status
- Interface Options
- <u>Control Parameters</u>
- Gripper Feedback
- Menus: Connection, View and Help

5.2.1 Initialization & Gripper Status

Activate

Once on the Simple Control tab page, the Adaptive Gripper needs to be activated before being used. Simply click the "Activate" button in the Initialization and Gripper Fault Status section. The Gripper will start its initialization procedure and once completed the Gripper status text box located under the "Activate" button will display "No Fault".

Warning

Do not interfere with the Gripper during the initialization process.

After the initialization process is completed the Gripper is ready to be used.

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The Activate button must stay checked while using the Gripper.

Go to requested position

Commands the Gripper to go to the selected "Position Request" as designated by the slider in the <u>Control</u> <u>Parameters</u> section.

Auto-release

Commands Gripper to slowly open or close depending on the direction selection, overriding all previous commands. After Auto-release is completed the Gripper must be reactivated, the "Activate" button must be unchecked and rechecked.



5.2.2 Interface Options

"Interface Options" allows you to choose between two options:

- Xbox Joystick control allows control of the Gripper using a remote Xbox controller (see Figure 5.2.2.1 for a summary of the available controls).
- Demo Mode commands the Gripper to constantly open and close the Gripper at different speeds.

To disable any of the options simply uncheck the corresponding box.



Figure 5.2.2.1 : Xbox Controls for the 2-Finger Adaptive Robot Gripper series.

5.2.3 Control Parameters

The "Control Parameters" section of the User Interface can customize all the parameters for the Gripper (see Figure 5.2.3.1):

• **Pos. Request** slider sets the reach position of the Gripper when the "Go to requested position" button of the Initialization and Gripper Fault Status sections are filled with a numeric value. The value can be set anywhere between 0 (fully open) and 255 (fully close).



- **Force** slider will control the gripping force limit of the Gripper. The value can be set anywhere between 0 and 255 with 255 being the maximum strength.
- **Speed** slider will control the closing or opening speed of the Gripper. The value can be set anywhere between 0 and 255 with 255 being the maximum speed.



Figure 5.2.3.1 : Changing the Control Parameters of the Gripper

5.2.4 Gripper Feedback

The "Gripper Feedback" section provides you with information concerning the current status of the Gripper.

• **Object Detection**: If the Gripper detects contact with an object when closing, the "Object Detection" display turns yellow (Figure 5.2.4.1).



Figure 5.2.4.1 : Positive object detection is registered when the object detection dot turns yellow.

- **Position** (numeric): The digital display of "Position" shows the position of the fingers as designated on a scale of 0 to 255 (see Figure 5.2.4.2 and your Gripper Instruction Manual for details).
- **Position** (graphic): The visual display of "Position" shows the real-time position of the fingers graphically (Figure 5.2.4.2).
- **Current** (graphic): The "Current" graph shows the amount of current going through the motor (See Figure 5.2.4.2).



Figure 5.2.4.2 : Digital and visual displays of the fingers' position and electrical current usage.

6. Communication Protocol Configuration

The **Protocol** Configuration Tab allows access to the configuration information of the Gripper, it can only be accessed via Modbus RTU. To access the **Protocol** Configuration Tab click this tab in the main Robotiq User Interface screen as shown in figure 6.1. The tab will be named according to your communication protocol option.

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Product Type 0x0c (12)	Gateway			
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Figure 6.1 : The configuration tab of the Robotiq User Interface.

The configuration tab display depends on the communication protocol option of your Gripper, each communication protocol will be displayed in one of the following sections:

- Ethernet/IP section
- Modbus TCP section
- EtherCAT section
- DeviceNet section
- <u>CANopen section</u>
- ProfiBUS DP section
- ProfiNET section

Whatever the communication protocol you are using, to apply changes made to the editable section of the communication protocol, follow the procedure described in figure 6.2.



Figure 6.2 : Applying changes to the communication protocol settings.

6.1 EtherNet IP

If your Gripper has the **Ethernet/IP** communication protocol option, you should see the screen shown in figure 6.1.1, when a connection is established with the Gripper.

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Figure 6.1.1 : Default screen of the Configuration Tool with Ethernet/IP

The Configuration Tool with Ethernet/IP screen is described below:

- Identification section shows the factory settings for your Gripper, these settings are fixed.
 - **Data Length** section shows the current data length used for input and output during communication.
 - Input Data Length sets the number of bytes allocated to input data communication.
 - Output Data Length sets the number of bytes allocated to output data communication.

Hint

You should match the Input and Output data length to the robot I/O on which the Gripper is mounted.

- **Parameters** section shows the current address and options for your Gripper. You can change any option by enabling or disabling it and changing the values indicated in the fields.
 - IP address is the networking address used for communication with your Gripper. (IPv4 protocol)
 - **Netmask** is the networking subnet address used for communication with your Gripper.
 - Gateway is the gateway address used within your network. By default this option is disabled.
 - Extras:
 - **BootP** option for Bootstrap Protocol, a network protocol used to obtain an IP address from a configuration server. By default BootP is disabled.
 - **DHCP** option for Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol is an automatic configuration protocol used on IP networks. By default DHCP is disabled.
 - 100Mbits option for the standard speed of Fast Ethernet (100 Mbit/s). By default it is enabled. If disabled the standard speed goes to 10 Mbit/s.
 - **Full Duplex** option allows full duplex communication (simultaneous two way communication); by default the Full Duplex is enabled. If disabled it goes to half duplex (not simultaneous two

way communication).

• Auto-Neg option allows the two connected devices to choose common transmission parameters such as: speed, duplex mode, and flow control. The highest performance parameters will be chosen. By default the Auto-Neg is enabled.

The action buttons function in the following manner:

- To apply the changes made in the editable section, click on the **Apply** button.
- To apply the default settings, click on the **Default** button and then click on the **Apply** button.

6.2 Modbus TCP

If your Gripper has the **Modbus TCP** communication protocol option, you should see the screen shown in figure 6.2.1, when the connection is established with the Gripper.

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Figure 6.2.1 : Default screen for the Configuration Tool with Modbus TCP

The Configuration Tool with Modbus TCP screen is described below:

- **Parameters** section shows the current address and options for your Gripper. You can change any option by enabling or disabling it or changing the values indicated in the fields.
 - **IP address** is the networking address used for communication with your Gripper. (IPv4 protocol)
 - Netmask is the networking subnet address used for communication with your Gripper.
 - Gateway is the gateway address used within your network. By default this option is disabled.
 - Extras:
 - **BootP** option for Bootstrap Protocol, a network protocol used to obtain an IP address from a configuration server. By default BootP is disabled.
 - **DHCP** option for Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol is an automatic configuration protocol used on IP networks. By default DHCP is disabled.

- To apply the changes made in the editable section, click on the **Apply** button.
- To apply the default settings, click on the **Default** button and then click on the **Apply** button.

6.3 EtherCAT

If your Gripper has the **EtherCAT** communication protocol option, you should see the screen shown in figure 6.3.1, when a connection is established with the Gripper.



Figure 6.3.1 : Default screen of the Configuration Tool with EtherCAT

The Configuration Tool with EtherCAT screen is described below:

- Identification section shows the factory settings for your Gripper, these settings are fixed.
- Data Length section shows the current data length used for input and output during communication.
 - Input Data Length sets the number of bytes allocated to input data communication.
 - Output Data Length sets the number of bytes allocated to output data communication.

🔽 Hint

You should match the Input and Output data length to the robot I/O on which the Gripper is mounted.

The action buttons function in the following manner:

- To apply the changes made in the editable section, click on the Apply button.
- To apply the default settings, click on the **Default** button and then click on the **Apply** button.

6.4 DeviceNet

If your Gripper has the **DeviceNet** communication protocol option, you should see the screen shown in figure 6.4.1, when a connection is established with the Gripper.



Figure 6.4.1 : Default screen of the Configuration Tool with DeviceNet

The Configuration Tool with the DeviceNet screen is described below:

- Identification section shows the factory settings for your Gripper, these settings are fixed.
 - Data Length section shows the current data length used for input and output during communication.
 - Input Data Length sets the number of bytes allocated to input data communication.
 - Output Data Length sets the number of bytes allocated to output data communication.
- **Parameters** section shows the current address and options for your Gripper. You can change any option by enabling or disabling it and by changing the values indicated in the fields.
 - MAC ID is the physical address used for communication with the Gripper. Default is set to 11.
 - **Baudrate** is the number of pulse/seconds for communications. The default is set to 250 Kbaud, you can adjust this to 125 Kbaud or 500 Kbaud.

- To apply the changes made in the editable section, click on the **Apply** button.
- To apply the default settings, click on the **Default** button and then click on the **Apply** button.

6.5 CANopen

If your Gripper has the **CANopen** communication protocol option, you should see the screen shown in figure 6.5.1, when a connection is established with the Controller.



Figure 6.5.1 : Default screen of the Configuration Tool with CANopen

The Configuration Tool with the CANopen screen is described below:

- Identification section shows the factory settings for your Gripper, these settings are fixed.
 - Data Length section shows the current data length used for input and output during communication.
 - Input Data Length sets the number of bytes allocated to input data communication.
 - Output Data Length sets the number of bytes allocated to output data communication.
- **Parameters** section shows the current address and options for your Gripper. You can change any option by enabling or disabling it or by changing the values indicated in the fields.
 - MAC ID is the physical address used for communication with the Gripper. Default is set to 11.
 - **Baudrate** is the number of pulse/seconds for communications. The default is set to 250 Kbaud, you can adjust this to 125 Kbaud or 500 Kbaud.

- To apply the changes made in the editable section, click on the **Apply** button.
- To apply the default settings, click on the **Default** button and then click on the **Apply** button.

6.6 PROFIBUS DP

If your Gripper has the **PROFIBUS DP** communication protocol option, you should see the screen shown in figure 6.6.1, when a connection is established with the Controller.

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Figure 6.6.1 : Default screen of the Configuration Tool with PROFIBUS DP.

The Configuration Tool with the PROFIBUS DP screen is described below:

- Identification section shows the factory settings for your Gripper, these settings are fixed.
 - Identification Number, PROFIBUS DP has a specific factory setting, which is not editable.
 - **Station Address** for PROFIBUS DP, the address of the device can be set anywhere between 0 and 126.
 - **Baudrate** for the PROFIBUS DP connection, auto-detect is recommended.

- To apply the changes made in the editable section, click on the **Apply** button.
- To apply the default settings, click on the **Default** button and then click on the **Apply** button.

6.7 PROFINET

If your Gripper has the **PROFINET** communication protocol option, you should see the screen shown in figure 6.7.1, when a connection is established with the Controller.



Figure 6.7.1 : Default screen of the Configuration Tool with PROFINET.

The Configuration Tool with the PROFINET screen is described below:

- Identification section shows the factory settings for your Gripper, these settings are fixed.
 - Vendor ID: Identification number of the manufacturer. All Hilscher products use the value 286 (0x011E) and cannot be edited.
 - **Device ID** : Identification number of the device, determined by the manufacturer and fixed for every device. NIC 50-RE/PNS uses the value 266 (0x0010A).
 - Device Type : Description of the device type, editable character string of up to 25 characters.
 - Order ID : Hilscher device number (e. g. 1541 000) or order description of your device, editable chara cter string of up to 25 characters.
 - Name of station : Station name of the PROFINET IO-Device station. It has to match the station name configured in the PROFINET IO-Controller for this device.
 - **Type of Station** : Type name of the PROFINET station. Name can be assigned freely using character string of up to 240 characters.

- To apply the changes made in the editable section, click on the Apply button.
- To apply the default settings, click on the **Default** button and then click on the **Apply** button.

7. Device Information

Device Information Tab will provide you with :

- Firmware version for your Adaptive Robot Gripper.
- Unique ID, an ID number linked to the Gripper electronics, not the actual serial number present on the Gripper.
- Cycle count, the total cycles number your Gripper realized to date.
- Odometer, an indication of the movement done by the Gripper motor (s).

Figure 7.1. shows the information you will obtain when directly connected to a Gripper, while Figure 7.2 shows the information you get when connecting to a Gripper through a Controller. When connecting to a Controller first, you will get the Controller firmware version on top and the Gripper firmware version second.

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Firmware version	GC3-0.2.9	Cycle count 0
Device Firmware via Controller	Unknown	Odometer 0
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Figure 7.1 : Firmware version when connected directly to a Gripper.

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Simple Control Modbus TCP	Device Information				
Firmware version	K01-1.3.9	Cycle count N/A	4		
Device Firmware via Controller	GC3-0.2.9	Odometer N/A	4		
Unique ID	N/A			Refresh	
Connected to COM12.					© 2011-2014 Robotiq. All rights reserved.

Figure 7.2 : Firmware version when connected to a Gripper via a Controller.

8. Modbus RTU parameters

Modbus RTU Parameters Tab allows you to modify the communication parameters of the gripper's Modbus RTU protocol. This is useful if you need to connect the gripper directly to a controller's serial port that does not support the gripper's default configuration. For instance for a direct integration on a Motoman DX100 controller, you will need to set the baud-rate to 19200. See Figure 8.1 to have an overview of the tab.

🔒 Note

If your Robotiq Device is not compatible with Modbus RTU Parameters configuration, the Modbus RTU parameter tab will not be visible.

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Stop Bit	
Parity None	
Slave Id 9	
Termination Resistor	
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Figure 8.1 : Modbus RTU Parameters tab.

The fields are described below:

- Baud Rate: a value indicating the speed of the communication that ranges from 1 to 7500000
- Stop Bit: The length of the stop signal that ends a one byte communication. Can be set to 0.5, 1, 1.5 or 2.
- Parity:Simple error detection mechanism. Can be set to None, Even or Odd.
- Slave ID: The unique ID of the device on a Modbus RTU network. The device will only reply to Modbus functions that are addressed to its Slave ID.
- Termination Resistor: Used to enable or disable the resistor at the end of the RS485 wires in the gripper.

The action buttons are used in the following manner:

First, if you are connected to the User Interface the device is communicating with its default parameters which are enumerated in the table 8.1. Values displayed represent the parameters that are stored in the device's memory, not the currently used parameters. Parameters stored in memory are automatically used when the device is powered on unless you use the "Recover Device" feature (see section 4).

To modify the communication parameters, just set the values you want and press the button Apply. If the operation

succeeds, the parameters are written to the device and a yellow box tells you to reboot the device to use the new parameters (Figure 8.2). Otherwise, an error box will tell you that an error occurred. If you entered out of range parameters, their field will turn red until you enter a valid value.

Changes were properly written to the device. Reboot the device to take into account the new communication parameters.

Figure 8.2 : Applying changes to Modbus RTU parameters.

To fill in fields with the default parameters (Table 8.1), press the button Default. They won't be automatically applied. If you are unsure if the parameters displayed are synchronized with the device's memory, press the Refresh button. The fields will be updated with the current configuration.

Parameter	Default value		
Baud Rate	115200		
Stop Bit	1		
Parity	None		
Slave ID	9		
Termination Resistor	No		

Table 8.1 : Default communication parameters for the Modbus RTU protocol.

9. Menu Options

Connection menu:

- **Disconnect**: Will disconnect the connection to the Gripper without leaving the program.
- Quit: Will disconnect the connection to the Gripper and close the program.

View menu:

- Xbox controls: Will pop-up the Xbox Joystick Control diagram.
- **Input registers**: Will pop-up the Input register table, you can refer to section 4 of your Adaptive Robot Gripper Instruction Manual for details.
- **Output registers**: Will pop-up the Output register table, you can refer to section 4 of your Adaptive Robot Gripper Instruction Manual for details.



You can close the pop-up "view" menu at anytime, the Robotiq User Interface will stay open.

Help menu:

- **Support**: Will link you to Robotiq support services.
- About Robotiq User Interface: Will display the Robotiq User Interface version you are using.

10. FAQ

- What is the Robotiq User Interface ?
 - The Robotiq User Interface is a software meant for testing, debugging and configuration of Robotiq Adaptive Gripper products.
- How does the Robotiq User Interface connect to a Robotiq Adaptive Gripper ?
 - By using a PC via Modbus RTU, or using the USB port present on the Gripper or Controller. A Modbus TCP connection is also possible, if the option is available on your Gripper or Controller.
- Do I need to install any drivers ?
 - Yes, USB drivers for Robotiq products are included in the Robotiq User Interface Installation program.
- How can I test Robotiq products ?
 - Connect to your Gripper via Modbus RTU using the USB port (not possible via Modbus TCP), test <u>cont</u> rol is available only for the Robotiq 3-Finger and 2-Finger-85 Gripper models via the Simple Control Tab.
- How can I debug Robotiq products ?
 - When connected to the Gripper, go to the "view" <u>menu</u> of the User Interface and select "Robot input registers" and "Robot output registers". The two menus allow you to see all the data sent and receive by your Robotiq Gripper.
- How can I configure Robotiq products ?
 - When connected to the Gripper, go to the tab associated with your <u>communication protocol</u>, there you can customize your communication parameters.

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