PULSE ROBOTIC ARM

HARDWARE INSTALLATION MANUAL





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INTRODUCTION

This manual is intended to assist an integrator in installing and commissioning a system comprising the PULSE robotic arm (hereinafter, a robotic arm or an arm), an end effector (also, a work tool), a control box, and an emergency stop button. The document contains the following information about the system:

- basic features and components
- operating conditions and use restrictions
- dimensions and specifications
- requirements and instructions on mechanical and electrical integration
- pre-commissioning checks and the commissioning procedure

WARNING SIGNS AND THEIR MEANINGS

Below are the warning symbols used throughout the manual and explanations of their meanings.



The sign denotes important information that is not directly related to safety, but that the user should be aware of.



The sign indicates important safety precautions the user should follow.

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

1.1. Basic features and components

The PULSE robotic arm is designed for collaborative operation in industrial and commercial applications, including:

- pick-and-place
- packing
- assembly
- machine tending
- screwing
- gluing
- welding, etc.



Although the arm is designed to operate safely in close proximity to humans, the integrator must conduct risk assessments for specific installations to evaluate the need for additional safety measures (e.g., safeguards).

Apart from the robotic arm, the supply package includes the hardware and software components listed in Table 1-1.

Component	Intended use	For details, refer to
Hardware		
Control box	To control operation of the PULSE robotic arm	Section 1.6
Emergency stop button	To ensure Category 1 stop of the robotic arm in an emergency	Section 1.7
Software		
PULSE DESK	The software is pre-installed on the PC module integrated into the control box. It allows for programming the arm to move along a desired trajectory and perform different kinds of operations with a work tool.	Pulse Desk. Operator Manual

Table 1-1: Hardware and software components supplied with the PULSE arm

The PULSE robotic arm boasts modular design comprising elements as below (Figure 1-1):

- aluminum alloy tubes (1)
- Rozum Robotics self-designed servo motors (2)
- elbow fittings (3)



Figure 1-1: Structural elements of the PULSE robotic arm

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The modular design allows for assembling individual segments into custom configurations (e.g., to increase/decrease the payload or degrees of freedom, to extend the reach, etc.).

The elements form six interlinked axes (see Figure 1-2). In addition, the arm includes the following structural segments:

- an end effector mounting flange (a wrist)
- an arm base
- a mounting plate



Figure 1-2: Structural segments of the PULSE robotic arm

1.2. Use restrictions

Make sure to observe the following use restrictions for the PULSE robotic arm:



Failure to observe the restrictions shall constitute a misuse, making our warranty void.

- Never install or operate the PULSE robotic arm in an explosive or flammable environment.
- The atmosphere at the operating location of the robotic arm should not contain corrosive gases or liquids, salt, radioactive substances, oil mist, dust or metal powders.
- Always conduct a risk assessment of the operating environment before installing and operating the PULSE robotic arm.
- Avoid using the PULSE robotic arm outside the operating conditions (see Section 1.5).

1.3. Supply package

The supply package of the PULSE robotic arm contains the following components:

- a robotic arm assembled with a mounting plate and a wrist
- a control box
- an emergency stop button pre-assembled with a connection cable
- a 220V power cable
- a hybrid cable to connect the robotic arm and the control box
- user documentation (also available at our <u>website</u>)

1.4. Specifications of the robotic arm

The PULSE robotic arm has the specifications as listed in Table 1-2.

Specification	Value
Weight ¹⁾	12.6 kg
Payload ¹⁾	4 kg
Degrees of freedom ¹⁾	6 axes
Reach ¹⁾	630 mm
Repeatability	+/-0.3 mm
Non-stop lifetime cycle	20,000+ hours
Protection class	IP20
Noise level	less than 60 dB
Rated voltage	48 VDC
Average power	400 W
Maximum power	1,000 W
Maximum joint speed	0.5 RPS
Joint acceleration	5 rad/s ²
Max tool center point (TCP) velocity	2 m/s
Acceleration time 0-1 m/s	0.1 s

Table 1-2: Specifications of the PULSE robotic arm

¹⁾ The specification values can vary, depending on the customer precise requirements. There is a possibility to extend the reach, increase the weight and the payload, and to add a seventh degree of freedom.

The dimensions of the arm's six axes are as shown in Figure 1-3 (for detailed dimensions, see also the dimensional drawing in Annex I).



Figure 1-3: Lengths of the robotic arm axes

The motion ranges for each of the axes are as listed in Table 1-3.

Table 1-3: Motion	ranges and	maximum	speeds of	the robot a	axes
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Axis	Motion range	Maximum speed
Axis 1 (base)	-360° to 360°	180°/s
Axis 2	-360° to 360°	180°/s
Axis 3	-160° to 160°	180°/s
Axis 4	-170° to 170°	180°/s
Axis 5	-360° to 360°	180°/s
Axis 6	-360° to 360°	180°/s



Figure 1-4 illustrates the workspace of the PULSE robotic arm.

Figure 1-4: Workspace of the PULSE robotic arm



The cylinder-shape area of 0.239 m in diameter around the robot base is the infinite solutions area. It is advisable to avoid programming any arm or work tool moves within the area.

1.5. Operating conditions

The PULSE robotic arm is intended *for indoor use only*. When operating it, make sure to also comply with the following requirements:

• Ambient temperature: 0° C to $+45^{\circ}$ C

1.6. Control box

In the PULSE robotic arm system, the control box monitors and controls operation of the arm, while providing an interface for communication between the hardware and software components of the system.

The control box is a case of the dimensions in accordance with Table 1-4. It comprises a personal computer (PC) module with pre-installed control software (PULSE DESK), as well as other modules that perform communication, safety, and other essential functions.

Specification	Value
Weight	9 kg
Dimensions (D x W x H)	283 x 483 x 91 mm
Noise level	Less than 60 dB
Protection rating	IP20
Interfaces	 4 digital inputs, 2 digital outputs 1 USB port 1 Ethernet port (RJ-45, 100 BASE-T)
API implementation options	Python/ REST API

Table 1-4: Specifications of the control box

The front panel

On the front panel of the control box, there are two light-emitting diodes (LED)—a green and a red one (see Figure 1-5).



Figure 1-5: The front panel of the control box

The front panel LEDs signal different states of the robotic arm system as described in Table 1-5.

Purpose	State / event in the robotic arm system	LED color	Mode
	System switched off		LED off
	Bootup		blinking
	Ready		constantly ON
Signals system states	Work	Green	constantly ON
	System shutting down		constantly ON
	LED state by default		constantly ON
	Error		flickering
	System switched off		LED off
Signals errors	LED state by default	Red	LED off
	Error		constantly ON

 Table 1-5: LEDs on the front panel of the control box

The back panel

On the back panel of the control box, you can find the following:

- all major connectors of the robotic arm system
- a power switch
- a mains fuse
- four holes for rack mounting



Figure 1-6: The back panel of the control box

No.	Intended use
1	4 digital inputs and 2 digital outputs (for details, see Section 2.3.3)
2	USB 2.0 port
3	mains fuse
4	220V power cable connector
5	mains switch to switch on/ off power supply
6	Ethernet port for integrating the robotic arm into an enterprise network (for specifications, see Table 1.4)
7	Connector for an emergency stop button
8	48V connector for the cable connecting the control box with the robotic arm
9	mounting holes

1.7. Emergency stop button

For the PULSE robotic arm, the emergency stop button is supplied as a standalone device preassembled with a connection cable. The button is designed to provide Category 1 Stop in accordance with ISO 10218-1—a controlled stop with power supplied to the servo motors in the arm joints until full stop is achieved.



Figure 1-7: The emergency stop button



The actual appearance of the emergency stop button can differ from that shown in Figure 1-7.

Each robotic arm installation should have its own emergency stop button. You can place the button at any location within the operator's reach. Use the button to immediately stop the robotic arm in an emergency, when other protective measures have proved to be impracticable or inefficient.

To **resume operation** of the robotic arm after an emergency shutdown, reset the system as described below:

- 1. Wait for the arm to come to a full stop. The LED on the arm's wrist should go off.
- 2. Unpress the emergency stop button.
- 3. Flip the power switch on the back panel of the control box to the off position or unplug the power cord from the mains socket.
- 4. Switch the system on again as described in Section 3.



Before restarting the system after an emergency shutdown, make sure the emergency stop button is unpressed. Otherwise, the system fails start, causing the red LED on the control box to light up.

1.8. Wrist

The robotic arm is supplied pre-assembled with **a wrist**—a special flange for integrating an end effector.



An end effector is a tool or a device designed to enable the robotic arm to perform various operations as required for its intended application. End effectors are beyond the scope of Rozum Robotics supply.



Figure 1-8: The wrist of the PULSE arm

The wrist of the PULSE robotic arm features:

- a standard ISO 9409-1-50-4-M6 mechanical interface (1)
- a cable output (2) for connecting an end effector electrically
- a LED indicator (3)



When an installation requires a mechanical interface different from the standard ISO 9409-1-50-4-M6 one, the user (integrator) has to provide a proper adaptor for integrating an end effector.

The states of the wrist LED are as described in Table 1-6.

Arm state	LED signal
Power off	Off (no indication)
Standby mode (freeze state)	Green on
Operation (in motion)	Blinking green
Learn mode	Steady yellow
Error	Steady red
A control button pressed	Blinking color

1.9. Control buttons

For the current robot design (intended for use together with a gripper work tool), control buttons are located on the elbow fitting above the wrist (see Figure 1-9).



Figure 1-9: Control buttons on the PULSE arm

The functions of the buttons are as described in Table 1-6 below. For more details about using the buttons to operate the arm, refer to "PULSE DESK. OPERATOR'S MANUAL."

Name	Function
Free Drive mode	To enable/ disable Free Drive mode (in the mode, the user can teach an arm different trajectories by moving its axes by hand)
Point	To add points to a program running in the PULSE DESK software
Open gripper	To open the gripper attached to the wrist
Close gripper	To close the gripper attached to the wrist

Table 1-6: Functions of the control buttons

2. INSTALLATION

2.1. General requirements

The PULSE robotic arm is partly completed machinery, which means its safe operation largely depends on the operating environment. Therefore, it is common practice to conduct **a risk assessment** of the operating environment for each particular installation. The risk assessment is the responsibility of the integrator. Based on its results, the integrator determines whether additional safety measures (e.g., safeguards) are needed to protect the operator working with the robotic arm in the installation.

Before installation, carry out the following preparatory works:

- 1. Unpack the robotic arm and other components.
- 2. Check the supply package against the list in Section 1.3.

3. Check the appearance of the robotic arm and other components for any damages or defects.



If you find any obvious damages or defects or find out that any of the supply package components is missing, contact the dealer or the manufacturer.



When unpacking and installing the robotic arm, make sure not to move or rotate the robot joints manually because this can cause damage to the arm.

Installation of the PULSE robotic arm requires completing the following two steps:

- 1. Mechanical integration
- 2. Electrical integration

Continuous power supply requirement

For safety reasons, the integrator shall be obliged to provide continuous power supply to the robotic arm (e.g., installing an uninterruptible power supply, a redundancy circuit, etc.). Otherwise, we cannot guarantee that the robotic arm maintains its position during a power outage, which may result in serious damage to its components.

2.2. Mechanical integration



Pinching hazard! When performing mounting works, keep your fingers away from the arm joints to avoid entrapment. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Make sure long hair is tied back.

2.2.1. Mounting the robotic arm

Though the footprint of the PULSE robotic arm is as small as 120 mm (see Figure 2-1), you need to account for the arm workspace (Figure 1-4) when choosing a mounting location. This is important to exclude collisions with other equipment or objects.

The recommended mounting position for the PULSE robotic arm is *vertical*, on a *horizontal immovable surface*. The mounting surface should be:

- flat, solid, and stable
- able to sustain 8 times the weight of the robotic arm (see Table 1-2)

The installation procedure includes the following steps:

- 1. Position the robot arm vertically.
- 2. Holding the arm tight, fix it on the mounting surface with four M8 bolts using the four 9-mm dia. holes in the mounting plate (see Figure 2-1).



Figure 2-1: The footprint of the PULSE robotic arm

2.2.2. Installing the control box

There are three methods to install the control box:

- horizontal positioning on a flat solid surface (e. g., a table)
- vertical positioning using a specially designed stand
- rack mounting (DIN 19")

The exact installation method depends on the particular operating environment of the PULSE robotic arm and your requirements. In any case, the distance from the control box to the robotic arm should not exceed 3 meters—the length of the connection cable. Otherwise, you will have to use a cable extension.



When installing the control box, provide an air gap of 50 mm from its front and back panels.

2.3. Electrical integration



Before proceeding to any electrical integration works, make sure no power is supplied to the robotic arm or the control box.

All major connections required to provide electrical integration of the robotic arm into your application are located on the back panel of the control box (see Figure 1-6).

2.3.1. Power connection

The power connection of the control box is in accordance with the IEC 60320-1 C14 standard. The electrical specifications are as indicated in Table 2-1.

Parameter	Value/ range	Unit
Input voltage	100–264	VAC
Mains frequency	47–63	Hz
Standby power	10	W
Average operating power	400	W

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For enhanced safety, consider installing an external mains switch with a fuse.

2.3.3. Digital I/O connectors

The control box has 4 digital inputs and 2 digital outputs that you can use to connect additional equipment, including sensors, safety devices, PLC, etc. The connectors are located on the back panel of the control box (see Figure 1-6).



The cable length from the digital inputs/ outputs to connected equipment should not exceed 2 m. Otherwise, signal quality may suffer.

For the current control box configuration, the two lower digital I/O connectors have the RESERVED status. The pin assignment for the two upper ones is as illustrated in Figure 2-2.



Figure 2-2: Pin assignment for digital I/O connectors

Relay output 1	Relay output 2	Description	Specifications
COM1	COM2	Common	
NC1	NC2	Normally closed	
NO1	NO2	Normally open	NC COM NO Contact capacity: 48 V, 0.5 A

Table 2-3: Specifications of r	elay outputs
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Table 2-4: Specifications of digital inputs

Digital input	Description	Specifications	
12 V DC	Power for an external device	Max current load: 1 A	
GND	Ground, 0 V		
DI1, DI2, DI3, DI4	Digital input	Max permissible current: 35 mA Input voltage range (Hi level): 5-12 V Input voltage range (Low level): 0-1.5 V GND +24 V DI 1 DI 2 DI 2 DI 3 DI 4	

2.4. Mounting an end effector

Depending on particular needs, you can use different end effectors with the PULSE robotic arm. Possible options include grippers for pick-and-place operations, material removal tools for cutting, drilling, and deburring, welding torches, etc.



Selecting a proper type and model of an end effector is the responsibility of the integrator.

To attach an end effector to the robotic arm, use the mechanical and electrical interfaces on its wrist (see Figure 1-8). In its basic design, the wrist of the PULSE robotic arm has the standard ISO 9409-1-50-4-M6 mechanical interface as shown in Figure 2-3.



Figure 2-3: Basic mechanical interface on the arm wrist



In case your end effector has a mechanical interface different from the standard ISO 9409-1-50-4-M6 one, make sure to use an appropriate adaptor.

The **basic electrical interface** of the arm wrist is a socket of the configuration as shown in Figure 2-4.



Figure 2-4: Basic electrical interface on the arm wrist

The pin assignment in the socket is as described in Table 2-3.

 Table 2-3: Pin assignment in the end effector socket

Pin	Wire color Signal	
1	Brown	+24V
2	White	Digital output 1
3	Blue	GND
4	Black	Digital output 2

Figure 2-5 below is the electrical diagram for the digital outputs in the end effector socket on the wrist. Make sure to observe the specified parameters when selecting and connecting an end effector.



Figure 2-5: Electrical diagram for the digital outputs of the end effector socket

2.5. Integration sequence

To integrate the PULSE robotic arm system into your application, it is recommended to follow the sequence of steps as below:



The sequence of Steps 2 to 7 is for reference only. You can re-arrange the steps at your convenience. For safety reasons, it is advisable to connect the robotic arm system to power supply as your last integration step.



Always use the original cables included in the supply package!

- 1. Mount the robotic arm on a mounting surface at a selected location (refer to Section 2.2).
- 2. Attach your selected end effector to the wrist of the robotic arm (refer to Section 2.4).
- 3. Plug the emergency stop button cable into the appropriate connector (No. 7, Figure 1-6) on the back panel of the control box.
- 4. Connect the arm with the control box using the 48V hybrid cable from the supply package. The cable must run from the connector at the bottom of the robotic arm to the 48V connector (No. 8, Figure 1-6) on the back panel of the control box. This connection not only supplies power to the arm, but also provide communication between the components of the robotic arm system—the arm, the control box, and the end effector.
- 5. (*Optional*) Connect any required additional equipment (e.g., a sensor, a safeguard, a PLC) to the robotic arm system using the digital I/Os (No. 1, Figure 1-6) on the back panel of the control box. For detailed information, see Section 2.3.3.
- 6. Connect the control box to a power supply (the mains network) using the 220V power cable included in the supply package. The power supply connector is located on the back panel of the control box (No. 4, Figure 1-6).

3. COMMISSIONING

Once you have integrated the PULSE robotic arm system into your application as described in Section 2.5, you can proceed commissioning the system and actually working with it. Before the initial and any subsequent starts, make sure to check the following:

• The robotic arm is fixed securely on a sturdy mounting surface and can remain stable during operation.



If the attachments of the robotic arm are not secure enough and the mounting surface is not sufficiently sturdy, the robot can fall over during operation and cause an injury.

- The end effector is securely attached to the arm wrist and will not fall out during operation.
- All cables are intact and connected to appropriate connectors.
- The emergency stop button is attached to the control box and is located where the operator can reach it from his/her workplace at any moment.
- The operating conditions comply with the requirements as set forth in Section 1.5.
- All risks identified during a risk assessment of the operating environment have either been eliminated or mitigated by implementing appropriate measures (e.g., safeguards, limiting access to the arm workspace).
- There are no obstacles within the workspace of the robotic arm that could prevent the arm from moving freely or operating properly.

To start the PULSE robot, follow the sequence as below:

- 1. Make sure the power cord of the control box is plugged into the mains socket.
- 2. Flip the external mains switch (if any) to the ON position.
- 3. Flip the power switch on the back panel of the control box to the ON position. Once you flip the power switch on, the green LED on the front panel of the control box double-flashes.



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Figure 3-1: The power switch on the back panel of the control box

The control box starts initializing. During the bootup process, the green LED (Figure 1-4) on the front panel of the control box blinks.

Once the bootup of the control box is over, the green LED goes from blinking to steady green. Then, the arm starts initializing, too. After the initialization is over, the arm is in the READY state.

4. Open your preferred web browser and specify the IP address of the robotic arm in the browser line and the port number 8080 (see Figure 3.2). The browser page displays the Edit stage screen of the PULSE DESK software.



Figure 3.2: Browser line with IP address and port number



The IP address is dynamically assigned to the PULSE robotic arm by the DHCP server. To get the address, you can either (a) look up the last assigned IP address on the DHCP server or (b) check the IP addresses of the devices on ports 22 8080 and 8081.

Now, you can program the robotic arm to perform the required operations. For details, refer to PULSE DESK.OPERATOR MANUAL.

ANNEX I. DIMENSIONAL DRAWING OF THE PULSE ROBOTIC ARM



ANNEX II. KINEMATICS OF THE PULSE ARM

The kinematics of the PULSE robotic arm is described with three parameters of Denavit-Hartenberg convention as illustrated in Figure II-1 and Table II-1. These parameters include:

• **d**—distance from the origin to the common normal along the *z* axis of the previous joint



The common normal of two non-intersecting joint axes is a line perpendicular to both axes.

- **a**—length of the common normal
- **alpha**—angle of rotation about the common normal, from the previous z axis to the new one



Figure II-1: Denavit-Hartenberg convention applied to the PULSE robotic arm



The origin point is the intersection of Motor 1 and Motor 2 rotation axes.

Joint	d (m)	a(m)	alpha(rad)
1	0.2150	0	π/2
2	0	-0.2860	0
3	0	-0.2600	0
4	0.1190	0	π/2
5	0.1681	0	-π/2
6	0.1196	0	0

Table II-1: Denavit-Hartenberg parameters and their values