eLearning Program Template



Cabinet Door Template Explained



PROGRAM TEMPLATE FOR CABINET DOOR FINISHING



Use this document to help you program your application using the template. You can learn more about the steps on how to program the Surface Finishing Kit for a first application using the available video for this course. Visit *support.robotiq.com* for more details.



What you will need

- Robotiq Surface Finishing Kit
- Orbital sander
- Latest URcap Finishing Copilot
- Universal Robot UR5 or UR10
- Cabinet doors
- Program Template: cabinet door template.urp



This template can be used to finish **cabinet doors** of various sizes:

- This template is divided in two sections: the frame and the center.
- The reference waypoints are taught at first to create a model.
- When running the program, the operator is asked to manually enter the size of the part and the program adjusts to these new dimensions.
- This template can be modified to fit your own application. It is a basis from which to start.
- We do assume that the user is somewhat familiar with the Force Control node as well as the Path Generator. For more details, please consult the tutorials on <u>Robotiq eLearning</u>.





Program Layout



1 The program starts with a **BeforeStart** sequence where the variables are set up.

2 The **Robot Program** section is composed of a pre-routine move commands and two folders: the **Frame section** and the **Center section**



About Folders ...

The **Folder** node is a very useful tool when programming on Universal Robots:

- By suppressing/unsuppressing them, the user can run small sections of the program without having to run the whole program.
- It can be used to copy and paste parts of the program without re-writing everything.



Folder Variable



 In this **Folder**, the user is asked to enter the dimensions of the part when the program **Starts** (standard mode).

These variables are used in the **Path Generator** nodes to determine the motions.

The value of these variables could also be set using different means with custom programming:

- With the touch of the robot
- External measuring device (ex. laser sensor)
- External PC or PLC
- etc.

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Robot Program







Frame Section

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In the frame section **Folder**, the first step is to move to the approach point slightly over the first point of the **4-Point Path**. Then the zeroing of the force sensor is done.

6 A Force Control node is used to apply a force in the Tool-Z+ direction. The force applied will depend on your process. A Wait for force node is used to detect when the contact is made with the surface, then the tool is started.

Frame Section



A **4-Point Path** node is used to sand the frame of the door. The **Perimeter Only** mode is used for the frame and the dimensions are dynamic. It uses the variables that were previously set in **Folder Variable**.

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8 Once all the points are taught, a **relative move** in the Z direction is added. This is to move away from the part once the operation is complete.





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Similar to the frame, the Center section uses an approach point. This time however the approach point should be over the center section above the first waypoint of the **4-Point Path**.

(10) A Force Control node is used to apply a force in the Tool-Z+ direction. The force applied will depend on your process. A Wait for force node is used to detect when the contact is made with the surface, then the tool is started.







11 A 4-Point Path node is added to sand the center section of the door. Both the Perimeter and Surface options are enabled. The dimensions are dynamic and use the same variables as for the frame

section.

This time, margins are added. We use variables to set the size of these margins which corresponds to the **size of the frame of the door**.





Margins are used to shift the waypoints over the center part of the door. When the 4 points of the **Path Generator** are taught, they need to be taught at the extremity of the part. The margins will move these positions over the center.









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Teach the 4 points at the **4 corners of the part**. Leave a few millimeters of space near the edge of the part so that the weaving motion does not hit the border of the frame when sanding the lower center part.



Margins are selected in the Magins Tab. Top and Side margins are set to the variables: Top_Frame_width Side_Frame_width



A relative move is used to move away from the part once the process is complete.





At Runtime





(16) Assignment windows will show up when the program start. The operator has to enter the dimensions of the current parts.

> The program will adjust to these dimensions.







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