

6 Axis Articulated Arc Welding Robots
TAWERS Series

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# Robot Systems with Integrated Welding Power Source Technology



### ■Manipulator Lineup (as of January 2020)

	TS series		TM series					TL series	
	800	950	1100	1400	1600	1800	2000	1800	2000
Separate	_	_	0	0	0	0	0	_	-
Through-Arm	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	_	_
External	0	0	0	0	—	_	_	0	0
Payload	8	kg	6	kg	4 kg	6	kg	8 kg	6 kg

Rated Welding Output:

WGIII: 350 A @ 80 % duty cycle (CV). 350 A @ 60 % duty cycle (pulse).

WGHIII: 450 A @ 100 % duty cycle (CV/pulse)

## A variety of features specialized for arc welding





# Robot Systems with Integrated Welding Power Source Technology

## "Weld Navigation" allows easy parameter setting (Standard)

### Easy setting with Teach Pendant



Rich welding parameter database developed through our long experience

"Weld Navigation" reduces parameter setting time.



Note: Torch angle and aiming point also calculated

# Select weld joint. The figure changes according to the joint.



**Two Easy Steps:** 

Weld Navigation

2. Select plate thicknesses. That's all!

### The right parameters automatically

Leg length and weld speed are also adjustable.



Weld Navigation recalculates weld current and voltage according to the changes.

Notes: •Parameters by Weld Navigation are guideline only and do not guarantee welding result. •Consult us for material and processes available with Weld Navigation.

## WGII controller with high performance

• Compared to the conventional model, 6 times faster main CPU and 4 times more memory capacity reduce start-up time by 50 % to **about 30 seconds.** 



## Improved maintainability

- Swivel rack in the case makes maintenance easy and saves space.
- Cables with connectors on both ends reduce Cable exchange time.





Swivel rack



# TAWERS Technology— Various Welding Processes

- •SP-MAGI for short-circuit mixed gas welding on thin plates
- •HD-Pulse for high-speed and low-spatter in high-current pulsed mixed gas welding
- •MTS-CO2 for CO2 welding

# **TAWERS Welding Process Guide**





# TAWERS Technology— Various Welding Processes

• **SP-MAGI** for short-circuit mixed gas welding on thin plates • **MTS-CO2** for CO2 welding



### (Super-imposition Control)

## Greatly reduces spatter in mixed gas (MAG) welding on thin plates



MTS-CO2

(Metal Transfer Stabilization Control)

## Reduces spatter by up to 75 % using inexpensive CO2 gas

### MTS control added to SP-MAG technology reduces spatter of CO2 welding.



CO<sub>2</sub> welding delivers uniform pan-bottom shaped penetration. Penetration comparison



• Joint: Fillet • Base metal: 2.3 mm mild steel SPCC • Weld current: 120 A • Weld speed: 0.3 m/min • Wire: YGW12 (1.2 mm) • Shielding gas: CO2







# TAWERS Technology— Various Welding Processes

Normal pulse for ultra-low spatter welding
HD-Pulse for high-speed and low-spatter welding

# HID-Pulse

(Hyper Dip-Pulse Control)

## Achieves high-speed pulsed welding

Short and narrow arc prevents undercuts during high-speed welding.

### **HD-Pulse advantages:**

# • Preventing undercuts during high speed welding.

- Dip (Short circuit) transfer enabling lower heat input with better gap handling capability.
- Precisely controlled dip timing reducing spatter.

## ■High speed welding -



# Preventing undercuts with ideal penetration!

## Type of the droplet transfer



# Normal Pulse 1 drop by 1 pulse (Drop transfer) Long Wide Wide

## Spray transfer range: 280 A or more -

Weld process	SP-MAG II	Normal-Pulse	HD-Pulse	
Weld speed	good	good	excellent	
Spatter	good-fair	excellent	good	
Penetration pattern	fair	good-fair	excellent	
Undercut	fair	fair	excellent	
Heat input	fair	fair	good	
Gap handling	fair	fair	good	
Overall	fair	fair	excellent	

- SP-MAG II disadvantage: Spatter in high-current range.
- Normal-pulse disadvantage: Undercuts in high-speed welding.

HD-Pulse process is ideal for high-current and high-speed welding.



## Standard Features

### External Communication (Ethernet) Production and Quality Control on LAN

The LAN connection allows you to share welding data with other robots and improve production and quality control.



### **Flying Start**

Executes arc-on/off programs a little before the torch reaches the weld start/end point to reduce cycle times.



### Wire Auto Retract

As the robot moves to weld start points, the wire is retracted automatically; thereby, improving arc start.



Wire Stick Auto Release (for CO<sub>2</sub>/MAG) Automatically detects a wire stuck at the end of a weld and re-ignites the arc to release the wire.



### Pitch Movement ("Jog settings")

This function enables robot distance by every click of the jog dial. This is useful when working in narrow, constricted spaces or in fine-tuning robot position.

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### Lift Start / Lift End

### Quality Weld Starts and Ends. Spatter and Cycle Time Reduction.

The robot lifts up the welding torch quickly at the start and end of the weld. By coordinating the robot motion with the welding waveform and wire feed control, quality and cycle time are improved.

(Much quicker than wire retraction.)



### Arc Start Retry (for CO<sub>2</sub>/MAG)

Detecting a failure of arc start, the robot automatically starts arc ignition again.



### Torch Angle Display (Teach Pendant)

Torch angle is displayed on the screen, making it possible to reduce teaching time and obtain consistent bead



### **Program Test**

In Teach mode, operator can safely verify taught program including welding without switching to Auto mode.





## Optional Features

### Weld Data Management



## More advanced welding system available Utilize features such as external communication and large capacity memory.

#### Auto Extension Control

Optional Software

# Compensates heat distortion or teaching error of odd-shaped work.

Robots detects changes in wire extension and compensates automatically.



### **Cooperative Multi-Robot Control**

Allows cooperative control between two robots.

#### Synchronous Weaving Low Pulse (Spiral Weaving Included)

[Spiral weaving movement] Torch movement Condition A Condition B •Weld current Condition A •Wire feed speed

•Synchronizes weld current, wire feed speed and weaving completely.

•Alternates condition A/B during weaving, which is ideal for welding of different thickness plates. (One for thin plate, the other for thick plate)

The robot with integrated welding power source has evolved further. High Speed Welding and

Ultra Low Spatter.

Super Active Wire Feed Process (S-AWP (Super Active Wire Feed Process) Wider current range and precise wire feed WGⅢ High speed and low spatter welding increases productivity. · TS: Through-Arm, External TS TM TL • 100 % duty cycle at 310 A ! · TM: Separate, Through-Arm 1100 1800 800 (Only separate type supports) (when using 1.2 mm mild steel solid wire, CO<sub>2</sub> gas, and air-cooling unit) 950 1400 2000 high voltage touch sensor. 1600 TL: External **Active Wire Feed Process** 1800 **Conventional Process** 2000 Continuous back and forth wire feed Constant speed wire feed. Limit in spatter reduction. Spatter reduction by stable short-arc cycle System for both high speed low spatter welding S-AWP servo pull torch Wire booster S-AWP software Air-cooling unit YT-CJT351 series YW-PCF041 YA-1TPMV1 YA-1WPUR1 Contact us for details

## High speed welding

- Improved productivity at 100 cm/min or higher
- Beautiful and wide bead
   Weld conditions: Joint: Lap Gas: CO<sub>2</sub>
   Weld current: 320 A
   Weld speed: 110 cm/min
   Plate thicknesses: 3.2 mm x 3.2 mm

### Example of mild steel SPCC



## Max. 99 % spatter reduction! (compared to conventional model)







1. Use a copper-coated pail-pack wire.

2. Set the wire cast diameter to between 1000 mm and 1200 mm.



# APPLICATION

Burn-through prevention, higher gap tolerance, and better bead appearance for wider applications.



- HBC process (optional) prevents burn-through in thin plate welding.
- Low heat input control greatly increases weld speed and gap tolerance.
- Capable to weld thin high-tensile steel that is prone to burn-through.



Welding speed

Hot Active Wire Feed Process (Hot-AWP)

Hot-AWP (Hot-Active Wire Feed Process)

Optional software for Active TAWERS (Hot Active Wire Feed Process) is included in S-AWP standard software (YA-1TPMV1).

Precautions for use of Super Active servo pull torch 1. Use a copper-coated pail-pack wire.

2. Set the wire cast diameter to between 1000 mm and 1200 mm.

Gap: 1 mm



# APPLICATION

Zinc-Coated Steel Welding Technology Solution to Reduce

**Spatter and Blowholes** 

# Zinc-Coated Steel Welding Solution Using Solid Wire!

Reduce Spatter and Blowholes with TAWERS Zi-Tech.



TM: Separate or Through-Arm
 TL: External

Effective for welding zinc-coated welding. Greatly reduced spatter and blowholes!

# Super Zi-Active

- -Solution Using Super Active TAWERS
- Uses standard welding wire. (1.2 mm solid wire)
- Supports MAG welding in addition to CO<sub>2</sub> welding.
- Effective on a wide range of coating weight.
  - 100 % CO<sub>2</sub>: 45 to 190 g/m<sup>2</sup>
  - 80 % argon and 20 % CO<sub>2</sub>: 45 to 60 g/m<sup>2</sup>
  - 90 % argon and 10 % CO<sub>2</sub>: 45 to 60  $g/m^2$



## 75 to 95 % Spatter Reduction Compared with Conventional CO<sub>2</sub> Process



Weld Conditions: •Wire: YM-50 (1.2 mm) •Joint: Lap •Gas: CO<sub>2</sub> •Weld Current: 250 A •Weld Speed: 80 cm/min •Plate Thicknesses: 2.3 mm x 2.3 mm

Precautions for use of Super Active servo pull torch

1. Use a copper-coated pail-pack wire.

2. Set the wire cast diameter to between 1000 mm and 1200 mm.

# TAWERS Zi-Pulse

- -Solution Using Standard TAWERS
- Uses standard welding wire. (1.2 mm solid wire)
- Uses mixed gas of 90 % Argon and 10 % CO<sub>2</sub>. (HD-Pulse Weld Process)
- Effective on a wide range of coating weight from 45 to 60 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

# Optional Software for High-Quality Welds and High Productivity



### 30 to 60 % Spatter Reduction Compared with Mixed Gas of 80 % Ar+20 % CO2



Weld Conditions: •Wire: YM-50MT (1.2 mm) •Joint: Lap •Weld Current: 230 A •Weld Speed: 80 cm/min •Plate Thicknesses: 2.0 mm x 2.0 mm



# <u>APPLICATION S</u>

Super Active Wire Feed Process (S-AWP) Also Available on High Power (450 A)

#### WGHⅢ 3 TS TM TI 800 1100 1800 950 1400 TS: External 1600 · TM: Separate Introducing High-Power for even higher speed welding and 1800 TL: External thick plate welding High Power Robot System S-AWP HP Software S-AWP Software Air-cooling unit YA-1TPMV1 YA-1TPMV1T05 YA-1WPUR1 Water-cooled servo pull torch specification Consult us for details.

# **Even higher-speed welding**

### Min. 50 % speed increase (Compared to conventional model)



Vertical lap welding SPCC(1.6 mm), 380 A YM-50 (1.2 dia.), CO<sub>2</sub>

**NEW** 

- ①Super Active TAWERS Standard: 300 A(1.2 dia)
   ②NEW Super Active TAWERS HP:
- NEW Super Active TAWERS HP: 380 A (1.2 dia)
   NEW Super Active TAWERS HP: 400 A (1.4 dia)
- \*\*1 Measurements tested under our company's test environment. When you consider purchase of the equipment, check applicability of your work at our FA technical 100center.
- %2 Common welding condition: Horizontal lap welding SPCC (3.2 mm), YM-50 (1.2 dia./1.4 dia.), CO2



## **Thick Plate Welding**

### Min. 60 % spatter reduction (Compare to conventional model)



Precautions for use of Super Active servo pull torch

1. Use a copper-coated pail-pack wire.

2. Set the wire cast diameter to between 1000 mm and 1200 mm.



# APPI ICATIONS

**Super Active Wire Feed** Process (S-AWP) Also Available on Aluminum



## Super Active Wire Feed Process for aluminum MIG! Less spatter and smut!

- S-AWP's low-spatter performance proven in mild steel is applied to aluminum.
- Wider current range (40 to 180 A) allows higher welding speed and welding of thinner and thicker plates.

Example of medium thickness (30 mm) plate





# APPLICATION

Hot wire allows high-deposition and high-speed welding!

**TAWERS-TIG** 

Direction of travel

High-deposition (Stable bead)



## Closer electrode-to-filler distance improves pre-heating of the filler.

Example of high-speed welding (80 cm/min, Stainless steel)



## Curved neck filler conduit!



Stable filler wire feeding

Allows to improve welding quality and limit deviation of aiming point.



Customer supplied items



# **APPLICATION**

High-Power Model for Medium and Thick Plates



Note: Touch Sensor Software and Wire Clamp Unit are supplied with TAWERS for Medium and Thick Plates.

### Examples





Maximum motion speed: 540% (average for all axes)

\*1: Ceiling mount type is factory optional.

Brakes

Mounting

Weight

16 \*2: •Setting by service personnel is necessary. •Working range of RT axis is limited.

55 kg

All axes

Floor/Ceiling\*1/Wall\*2

56 kg

### **Dimensions & Work Envelope**



#### Manipulator General Specifications

Model		TM-1100	TM-1400	TM-1600	TM-1800	TM-2000	TL-1800	TL-2000	
Туре		Short arm	Standard arm	Middle arm	Long arm	Long arm	Long arm	Long arm	
Structure		6 axis articulated							
Payload		6 kg		4 kg	6 kg		8 kg	6 kg	
Maximum Reach		1 163 mm	1 437 mm	1 639 mm	1 809 mm	2 011 mm	1 801 mm	1 999 mm	
Minimum Reach		418 mm	404 mm	513 mm	430 mm	550 mm	383 mm	491 mm	
Working Range		745 mm	1 033 mm	1 126 mm	1 379 mm	1 461 mm	1 418 mm	1 508 mm	
Max. Motion Speed F	RT (Rotating trunk)	225%s		210%s	195%s		195%s		
	UA (Upper arm)	225%s		210%s	197%s		197%s		
	FA (Forearm)	225%s		215%s	205%s		205%s		
	RW (Rotating wrist)	425%s		425%s	425%s		38	5%s	
	BW (Bending wrist)	425%s		425%s	425%s		37	5%s	
TW (Twisting wrist)		629%s		629%s	629%s		624	4%s	
Position Repeatability			±0.0±	3 mm		±0.10 mm	±0.08 mm	±0.15 mm	
N.A t	Total Power		3 400 W		4 700 W		5 050 W		
WOUTS	Brakes	All axes							
Mounting		Floor / Ceiling*							
Weight		156 kg	170 kg	180 kg	215 kg	217 kg	215 kg	216 kg	

17 \*Ceiling mount type is factory optional.

### **Dimensions & Work Envelope**



#### Controller / Welder Technical Specifications

Model	WGⅢ	WGHⅢ			
Dimensions*	W 553 mm x D 550 mm x H 1181 mm	W 553 mm x D 550 mm x H 1407 mm			
Weight**	135 kg 171 kg				
Memory Capacity	40 000 points				
Position Control	Software servo control				
External Memory	Teach Pendant: one SD memory card slot, two USB 2.0 ports (USB 2.0. Hi-Speed not supported)				
Control Axes	6 axes simultaneously (Max. 27 axes)				
Input and Output	Input: 40 points (Optionally expandable up to 2048 points) Output: 40 points (Optionally expandable up to 2048 points)				
Input Power	3 phase, 200 V AC±20 V AC, 22 kVA, 50/60 Hz	3 phase, 200 V AC±20 V AC, 30.5 kVA, 50/60 Hz			
	50/60 Hz (Max. current at servo on: 246 A/5.6 ms)				
Welding Process	CO <sub>2</sub> / MAG / Stainless steel MIG / Pulse MAG / Stainless pulse				
Output Current Range	30 to 350 A DC	30 to 450 A DC			
Output Voltage Range	12 to 36 V DC	12 to 42 V DC			
Duty Cycle	CV: 80 % @ 350 A Pulse: 60 % @ 350 A	100 %			



\*Protruding portions not included. \*\*Teach pendant and connection cable not included. Note: For details on the power connection, refer to "Connecting primary power source" in the arc welding robot controller manual.



# Large Robot Series (GII Controller)

# Great material handling capability!

Coordinated multi-robot movement for flexible system without jig.

YS-080GII

HS-220GⅢ

### Coordinated movement with WGII/GII robot(s)



Allows to build flexible system without jig.

Maximum configuration: •Arc welding robot x 2 •Large robot x 1

• GIL controller for large robots Same operation, maintenance and options as conventional robots

5II 5 60 °	
5 0°	
5 10 °	
0°	
0°	
-130 ° ~ +230 °	
90°	
5	

# Medium Type Multi-purpose Robot LA-1800



• Simultaneously installed tool & torch \*2 Not all of the styles we can produce, depending on the application or welding method etc., please consult us for details.

### Dimensions & Working Envelope (Unite mm)

Point O

1801

140

489 490

420 474 8



4×M8×1.25 Depth:16

### Manipulator General Specifications

Model		LA-1800		
Туре		Multi-purpose Medium Type		
Structure		6 axis articulated		
Payload		26 kg		
Maximum Reach		1 801 mm		
Minimum Reach		489 mm		
Working Range		1 312 mm		
	RT (Rotating Trunk)	201°/s		
	UA (Upper Arm)	199°/s		
Max.	FA (Forearm)	218°/s		
Speed	RW (Rotating Wrist)	434°/s		
	BW (Bending Wrist)	450°/s		
	TW (Twisting Wrist)	720°/s		
Position Repeatability		±0.07 mm		
Motors	Total Power	6 600 W		
WOULDIS	Brakes	All axes		
Mounting		Floor/Ceiling*		
Weight		320 kg		
*Ceilina ı	mount type is factory	optional.		

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### Tilt-Rotate Positioners High-Speed Type **R Series**



Two types available: 300 kg and 500 kg payload

- 1.8 times faster maximum speed compared with the conventional models.
- $\bullet$  Smallest-in-class footprint of 780  $\times$  500 mm. (300 kg payload model)
- Easier installation with three selectable cable outlet positions.

## Single-axis positioners

Payload: 250/500 kg

Specifications



Payload: 1 000 kg





## Side mount 2-axis positioners





Name	Positioner unit				
Model	YA-1RJB12	YA-1RJB22	YA-1RJB32		
Applicable Robot	Panasonic robots TS/TM/TL series with GII/WGII controller				
Payload	250 kg	500 kg	1 000 kg		
Max. Rotational Speed	190%s (31.6 r/min)	120%s (20 r/min)	120%s (20 r/min)		
Operating Range	-3 600 ° to +3 600 ° (with multi-rotation data reset function)				
Allowable Torque	196 N•m	490 N•m	1 470 N•m		
Allowable Moment	1 470 N·m 1 470 N·m		6 125 N•m		
Position Repeatability	±0.05 mm (R=250)				
Hollow Shaft Diameter	55 mm	55 mm	75 mm		
Brakes	Provided				
Allowable Welding Current	500 A @ 60 % duty cycle				
Weight	125 kg 255 kg				
Applicable Welding Process	CO <sub>2</sub> /MAG/MIG/TIG				
External Axis Controller Type	Internal/External		External		

### Harmonizer

### Simple teaching

Teaching example of complicated workpiece



#### • Easy welding speed settings.

Welding speed can be set directly from robot regardless of pipe diameters. It eliminates complicated calculation and reduces teaching time.

- Greatly reduced teaching points. (compared with conventional systems) Linear, circular interpolations and weaving movement are now available while rotating work with the positioner. This allows easy torch positioning for complicated workpieces and high precision welding with minimum teaching points.
- Optimum welding position. Optimum torch angle for the best bead shape is ensured by specifying the torch position to the workpiece from either absolute or relative position.
- Easy system settings. System can be set on site and adjustable by the user.

## Visual Solution

DTPS III (DeskTop Programming & Simulation system)



# Editing and simulation of robot program on PC

DTPS is a program simulation software developed exclusively for Panasonic robots. With this software, users can create and edit robot programs and verify robot motion offline.

### <Features>

DTPS III

- Useful edit function (batch conversion, shifting, etc.)
- Highly-accurate movement simulation
- 3D graphics
- Identical to robot operation
- Simple CAD function for workpiece shape creation
- Graphic import function (standard)
- Multiple robot control

DTPS II System requirements: Windows 8.1 / Windows 10 Recommended specification: Consult us.





# **Production Management Function** Real-Time Monitoring on PC.





# Eres even

We provide products that are friendly to the environment.

As an earth-friendly company, Panasonic Corporation discourages the use of hazardous substances in our products. The products of Panasonic Corporation comply with the European RoHS directive.

**Safety precautions** • Before attempting to use any welding product always read the manual to ensure correct use.

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