

Angular Air Gripper



Angular style air gripper **Series MHC** now also available in ø6 size. **Series MHCM2** now available for further miniaturisation.

Series MHC2/MHCA2/MHCM2

Angular air gripper

Series MHC2/MHCA2/MHCM2



Note) Not including auto switch weight.



Series MHC2/MHCA2/MHCM2 Model Selection

Model Selection



Step 1 Effective gripping force: Series MHC 2 External gripping force

•Expressing the effective gripping force The effective gripping force shown in the graphs to the right is expressed as F, which is the thrust of one finger when both fingers and attachments are in full contact with the work piece as shown in the figure below.



External gripping



MHC2-6D/MHCA2-6D







Series MHC2/MHCA2/MHCM2

Step 2 Confirmation of inertial moment of attachment -



Confirm the inertial moment of one of the two attachments. For example, in calculating the inertial moment of an attachment in the picture on the right, divide it into 2 rectangular parallelepipeds, A part and B part.

A part B part

Procedure	Forn	nula	Example
 Calculate the operating conditions and attachment dimensions. 	A part		Operating equipment: MHC2-6D a = 20 (mm) b = 3 (mm) c = 4 (mm) d = 4 (mm) e = 5 (mm) f = 6 (mm)
Calculate the inertial moment of the attachment.	A part f_1 z_1 z_2 $m_1 = 1$ Inertial moment around $I_{Z1} = \{m_1 (a^2 + b^2) / 12\}$ Inertial moment around $I_A = I_{Z1} + m_1r_1^2 x 10^{-6}$	ight calculation a x b x c x Relative density Z1 axis } x <u>10⁻⁶</u> Z axis	Assuming the attachment material is aluminium alloy (relative density=2.7), r1= 16.4 (mm). m1 = 20 x 3 x 4 x 2.7 x 10 ⁻⁶ = 6.48 x 10 ⁻⁴ (kg) Iz1 = $\{6.48 x 10^{-4} x (20^2 + 3^2)/12\} x 10^{-6}$ = 2.21 x 10 ⁻⁸ (kg·m ²) IA = 2.21 x 10 ⁻⁸ + 6.48 x 10 ⁻⁴ x 16.4 ² x 10 ⁻⁶ = 0.20 x 10 ⁻⁶ (kg·m ²)
	B part z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 z_2 Inertial moment around $Iz_2 = \{m_2 (d^2 x e^2) / 12\}$ Inertial moment around $IB = Iz_2 x m_2 r_2^2 x 10^6$ Thus, the total inertial m (: Unit	ght calculation = d x e x f x Relative density Z2 axis } x <u>10⁻⁶</u> Z axis noment is I = IA x B t conversion constant)	$\begin{split} r_2 &= 23.5(mm) \\ m_2 &= 4 \times 5 + 6 \times 2.7 \times 10^{-6} \\ &= 3.24 \times 10^{-4} (kg) \\ lz_2 &= \{3.24 \times 10^{-4} \times (4^2 + 5^2) \ / \ 12\} \times 10^{-6} \\ &= 1.11 \times 10^{-9} (kg \cdot m^2) \\ l_B &= 1.11 \times 10^{-9} + 3.24 \times 10^{-4} \times 23.5^2 \times 10^{-6} \\ &= 0.18 \times 10^{-6} (kg \cdot m^2) \\ l &= 0.20 \times 10^{-6} + 0.18 \times 10^{-6} \\ &= 0.38 \times 10^{-6} (kg \cdot m^2) \end{split}$
B .Confirm from the table that the inertial moment of one attachment is within the allowable range.	MHC2-6D/MHCA2-6I Finger opening and closing speed Without speed controller With speed controller 3/4 to 1 and 1/2 reverse rotation from fully close state Attachment inertial moment >	Allowable inertial moment of attachment 0.5 x 10 ⁻⁶ Kg m ² 1.5 x 10 ⁻⁶ Kg m ² Allowable inertial moment	Attachment inertial moment 0.38 x 10 ⁻⁶ (kg·m ²) < Allowable inertial moment without speed controller 0.5 x 10 ⁻⁶ (kg·m ²) Therefore, the attachment can be used without a speed controller.

Symbol

Symbol	Definition	Unit
Z	Central axis of finger rotation	-
Z1	Axis which contains center of gravity of attachment A part and is parallel to Z	-
Z2	Axis which contains center of gravity of attachment B part and is parallel to Z	-
Ι	Total inertial moment of attachment	kg m ²
IZ1	Inertial moment around Z1 axis of attachment A part	kg m ²
IZ2	Inertial moment around Z2 axis of attachment B part	kg m ²
IA	Inertial moment around Z axis of attachment A part	kg m ²
IB	Inertial moment around Z axis of attachment B part	kg m ²
m 1	Weight of attachment A part	kg
m ₂	Weight of attachment B part	kg
ľ1	Distance between axes Z and Z1	mm
r 2	Distance between axes Z and Z2	mm

Limiting range of attachment inertial moment ———

MHC2-6D/MHCA2-6D

Finger opening and closing speed	Allowable inertial moment of attachment	Weight (Guide)
Without speed controller Note)	0.5 x 10 ⁻⁶ kg m ²	2g or less
With speed controller 3/4 to 1 and 1/2 reverse rotation from fully close state	1.5 x 10 ⁻⁶ kg m ²	3.5g or less

MHC2-6S/MHCA2-6S

Finger opening and closing speed	Allowable inertial moment of attachment	Weight (Guide)
Without speed controller Note)	0.5 x 10 ⁻⁶ kg m ²	2g or less
With speed controller 3/4 to 2 reverse rotation from fully close state	1.5 x 10 ⁻⁶ kg m ²	3.5g or less

MHCM2-7S

Finger opening and closing speed	Allowable inertial moment of attachment	Weight (Guide)
Without speed controller Note)	0.3 x 10 ⁻⁶ kg m ²	2g or less
With speed controller 1/2 to 1 3/4 reverse rotation from fully close state	1.0 x 10 ⁻⁶ kg m ²	3.3g or less

Applicable speed controller — Air gripper direct connection type AS1211F-M3

Use a meter-in type.

Note) In case of MHCM2-7S, provide a run off space because the speed controller protrudes from the body top surface by 0.6 mm.

Note) Sometimes the work piece may not be gripped precisely because of excessive speed in finger opening and closing. Therefore, use a meter-in type speed controller to adjust the finger opening and closing speed.

Angular Air Gripper Series MHC2-6/MHCA2-6

How to Order



Applicable auto switches

	a	_				! !!		Auto swi	tch type	Lead w	ire leng	th (m)*	Note 1)		
Туре	Special	Electrical	Indicator	Wiring	LO	ad volta	age	Electrical ent	try direction	0.5	3	5	Flexible lead	Appli	cable
	Tunction	entry	light	(Output)	D	C	AC	Perpendicular	In-line	(Nil)	(L)	(Z)	wire (-61)	108	aas
				3-wire (NPN)				M9NV	M9N			0	0		Delay
Solid state	—	Grommet	Yes	3-wire (PNP)	24V	12V	_	M9PV	M9P			0	0	—	
Switch				2-wire				M9BV	M9B			0	0		

*Lead wire length symbol: 0.5m ······ Nil (Example) M9N 3m ······· L (Example) M9NL

5m ······· Z (Example) M9NZ

*Auto switches marked "O" are produced upon receipt of order.

Note 1) For the flexible wire specification, enter -61 after the part number.

(Example) When ordering with air gripper When ordering only auto switch MHC2-6D-M9NVS-61 •Flexible wire •Flexible wire

Angular Air Gripper Series MHC2-6/MHCA2-6



MHCA2-6

MHCA2-6 Axial port (With hose nipple)

Specifications

Fluid		Air	
Operating Double acting		0.15 to 0.6MPa	
pressure	Single acting: Normally open	0.3 to 0.6MPa	
Ambient and fluid temperature		-10 to 60°C	
Repeatability		±0.02mm	
Maximum	operating frequency	180c.p.m	
Lubrication		Non-lube	
Action		Double acting, Single acting (Normally open)	
Auto swit	ch (Optional) Note)	Solid state switch (3-wire, 2-wire)	

Note) Refer to page 6-15 for auto switch specifications.

Model

Action	Model	Cylinder bore (mm)	Note) Holding moment (Effective value) N m	Opening/Closing angle (Both sides)	Note 2) Weight g
Double acting	MHC2-6D	6	0.038	30° to -10°	22
	MHCA2-6D	6			19
Single acting	MHC2-6S	6	0.024	30° to -10°	22
(Normally open)	MHCA2-6S	6		50 10 - 10	19

Note 1) At the pressure of 0.5MPa Note 2) Excluding the auto switch weight.

Option

Body option/End boss type

Cumbal	Dising position	Piping port type	Applicable model		
Symbol Piping position		MHCA2-6	Double acting	Single acting	
Nil	Standard	M3		•	
E	Side ported	M3			
К		With ø4 one-touch fitting	_	•	
Н	Axial port	With ø4 hose nipple	-		
М		M3	_	•	

Symbol Double acting



Single acting



Series MHC2-6/MHCA2-6

Construction

MHC2-6



Double acting/with fingers closed Sin

Single acting





Parts list

No.	Description	Material	Note
1	Body	Aluminium alloy	Hard anodized
2	Finger	Stainless steel	Heat treatment
3	Piston	Stainless steel	
4	Lever shaft	Stainless steel	Nitriding
5	Magnet holder	Stainless steel	
6	Сар	Aluminium alloy	Hard anodized
7	Clip	Stainless steel	
8	Bumper	Urethane rubber	
9	Holder	Brass	Electroless nickel plated
10	Holder lock	Stainless steel	

Replacement parts

Description	Kit no.	Main parts	Note
Seal kit	MHC6-PS	16, 17, 18, 19	

Parts list

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No.	Description	Material	Note
11	Needle roller	High carbon chromium bearing steel	
12	Magnet	Rare earth magnet	Nickel plated
13	NO spring	Piano wire	Zinc chromated
14	Exhaust plug	Brass	Electroless nickel plated
15	Exhaust filter	Resin	
16	Rod seal	NBR	
17	Piston seal	NBR	
18	Gasket	NBR	
19	Gasket	NBR	

MHCA2-6 (Short body)

Double acting/with fingers open



Double acting/with fingers closed Single acting



Parts list

No.	Description	Material	Note
1	Body	Aluminium alloy	Hard anodized
2	Finger	Stainless steel	Heat treatment
3	Piston	Stainless steel	
4	Lever shaft	Stainless steel	Nitriding
5	Сар	Aluminium alloy	Hard anodized
6	Clip	Stainless steel	
7	Bumper	Urethane rubber	
8	Holder	Brass	Electroless nickel plated
9	Holder lock	Stainless steel	

Replacement parts

Description	Kit no.	Main parts	Note
Seal kit	MHCA6-PS	14, 15, 16, 17	

Parts list

No.	Description	Material	Note
10	Needle roller	High carbon chromium bearing steel	
11	NO spring	Piano wire	Zinc chromated
12	Exhaust plug	Brass	Electroless nickel plated
13	Exhaust filter	Resin	
14	Rod seal	NBR	
15	Piston seal	NBR	
16	Gasket	NBR	
17	Gasket	NBR	

Angular Air Gripper Series MHC2-6/MHCA2-6

Dimensions

MHC2-6



In the case of MHC2-6S, finger opening port is a breathing hole.





Series MHC2-6/MHCA2-6

Dimensions

MHCA2-6 (Short body)



In the case of MHCA2-6S, finger opening port is a breathing hole.



Auto Switch Hysteresis



Auto Switch Mounting



Note) Use a screwdriver with a grip diameter of 5 to 6 mm to tighten the auto switch mounting screw. The tightening torque should be about 0.05 to 0.1N·m. When you begin to feel that the screw is being tightened, turn it further by 90°.

Auto Switch Protrusion from the Body End Surface

4°

•The amount of auto switch protrusion from the body end surface is shown in the table below.

•Use this as a standard when mounting, etc.

MHC2-6



Series MHCA2 Body Option: End Boss Type

Applicable Model

Symbol	Dining position	Dising next type	Applica	Applicable model	
Symbol	Piping position	Piping port type	Double acting	Single acting	
E	Side ported	M3			
Н		With ø4 hose nipple	-	\bullet	
К	Axial port	With ø4 one-touch fitting	—		
М	•	M3	_	•	

Side Ported [E]

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MHCA2-6



The specifications and dimensions not given above are identical with those of the standard type.

Axial Port (with hose nipple) [H]

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MHCA2-6SH





The specifications and dimensions not given above are identical with those of the standard type.

Applicable tube

Description/Model	Nylon tube	Soft nylon tube	Polyurethane tube	Polyurethane coil tube
Specifications	T0425	TS0425	TU0425	TCU0425B-1
Outside diameter mm	4	4	4	4
Max. operating pressure MPa	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.5
Min. bending radius mm	13	12	10	_
Operating temperature °C	-20 to 60	-20 to 60	-20 to 60	-20 to 60
Material	Nylon 12	Nylon 12	Polyurethane	Polyurethane



Axial Port (with One touch fitting) [K]

MHCA2-6SK



identical with those of the standard type.

Applicable tube

Description, model	Nylon tube	Soft nylon tube	Polyurethane tube	Polyurethane coil tube
Specifications	T0425	TS0425	TU0425	TCU0425B-1
Outside diameter mm	4	4	4	4
Max. operating pressure MPa	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.5
Min. bending radius mm	13	12	10	—
Operating temperature °C	-20 to 60	-20 to 60	-20 to 60	-20 to 60
Material	Nylon12	Nylon12	Polyurethane	Polyurethane

Axial Port (with M3 port) [M]

MHCA2-6SM



identical with those of the standard type.

Weights

				Unit: g	
Model	End boss type (symbol)				
	E	Н	К	М	
MHCA2-6	23	23	23	23	

Angular Air Gripper

Compact Type MHCM2-7S

How to Order





Specifications

Fluid	Air
Operating pressure	0.4 to 0.6MPa
Ambient and fluid temperature	-10 to 60°C
Repeatability	±0.02mm
Maximum operating frequency	180c.p.m.
Lubrication	Non-lube
Action	Single acting (Normally open)

Model

Action	Model	Cylinder bore (mm)	Holding moment ^{Note)} (Effective value) N m	Opening/Closing angle (Both sides)	Weight g
Single acting (Normally open)	MHCM2-7S	7	0.017	20° to -7°	9.5

Note) At the pressure of 0.5MPa

Symbol



Construction/MHCM2-7S (Compact type)

Single acting/with open



With closed



Parts list

No.	Description	Material	Note	Replacement parts order no.
1	Body	Aluminium alloy	Hard anodized	
2	Finger	Stainless steel	Heat treatment	
3	Piston	Stainless steel	Heat treatment	
4	Pusher	Stainless steel		
5	Spring	Piano wire	Zinc chromated	
6	Needle roller	High carbon chromium bearing steel		
7	Piston seal	NBR		MYN-4

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(Finger closing port)

Dimensions

MHCM2-7S



2 x M2 thread

(Attachment mounting threads)

Series MHC2 Auto Switch Common Specifications

Auto Switch Common Specifications

Туре	Solid state switch	
Operating time	1ms or less	
Shock resistance	1000m/s ²	
Insulation resistance	50M Ω or more at 500VDC (Between lead wire and case)	
Withstand voltage	1000VAC for 1min. (Between lead wire and case)	
Ambient temperature	-10 to 60°C	
Enclosure	IEC529 standard IP67, JISC0920 watertight construction	

Lead Wire Length

Lead wire length indication

(Example)



Lead Wire Colour Changes

The lead wire colors of SMC auto switches have been changed as shown below to satisfy IEC947-5-2 standards for production beginning September, 1996 and thereafter.

Take special care regarding wire polarity during the time that old colors still coexist with the new colours.

3-wire

2-wire

2-wire					
	Old	New			
Output (+)	Red	Brown			
Output (-)	Black	Blue			

		Old	New
	Power supply	Red	Brown
	GND	Black	Blue
	Output	White	Black

Note 1) Lead wire length Z: 5m applicable auto switch Solid state switch: All models are produced upon receipt of order

(as standard). Note 2) For the flexible wire specification, enter -61 after the part number.

(Example) D-M9PL-61

•Flexible wire specifications

Angular Style Air Gripper Standard Type Series MHC2

Angular Style Air Gripper Series MHC2 Standard

- A large amount of gripping force is provided through the use of a double piston mechanism, while maintaining a compact design.
- Built-in variable throttle.
- •A solid state auto switch with an indicator light can be mounted.



Specifications

Fluid		Air				
Operating processor	Double acting	0.1 to 0.6MPa				
Operating pressure	Single acting	0.25 to 0.6MPa				
Ambient and fluid temperatu	re	-10 to 60°C				
Repeatability		±0.01mm				
Max. operating frequency		180c.p.m				
Lubrication		Not required				
Action		Double acting, Single acting				
Auto switch (Option) Note)		Solid state switch (3 wire, 2 wire)				

Note) Refer to Auto Switch Guide for further specifications of auto switch.

Model

Action	Model	Bore size mm	Holding moment (effective value) ⁽¹⁾	Opening/ closing angle (both sides)	Weight ⁽²⁾ g
	MHC2-10D	10	0.10		39
Double acting	MHC2-16D	16	0.39	20º to 10º	91
bouble acting	MHC2-20D	20	0.70		180
	MHC2-25D	25	1.36		311
	MHC2-10S	10	0.070		39
Single acting	MHC2-16S	16	0.31	20º to 10º	92
Single acting	MHC2-20S	20	0.54	30 10-10	183
	MHC2-25S	25	1.08		316

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Note1) At pressure 0.5MPa. Note2) Weight except auto switch.

How to Order



Applicable Auto Switches

	•••																
		Operation Electrical Indiantes Ministry		140.1	Lood voltage		Auto switch model		Lead wire length (m)*								
Ty	Туре	function	lindicator	(Output)	(Output)	Load voltage		Electrical en	try direction	0.5	1	3	5	Pre-wired	Appii	cable	
			entry	Ingrit	(Output)	D	С	AC	Perpendicular	In-line	(Nil)	(M)	(L)	(Z)	Connector		au
	_				3-wire (NPN)		5 V,		M9NV	M9N	•	•		0	0	IC	
404	Diagnosis (2-colour indication) Water resistant (2-colour indication) Grommet Yes 3-w Yes 3-w Yes 3-w Yes 3-w 3-w Yes 3-w	-		3-wire (PNP)		12 V		M9PV	M9P	•	•		0	0	circuit		
					2-wire		12 V		M9BV	M9B	•	•		0	0	—	
4		Diagnosis]		3-wire (NPN)		5 V,	5 V,	M9NWV	M9NW	•	•	•	0	0	IC	Delaw
		(2-colour Grommet	ommet Yes	3-wire (PNP) 24 V	12 V	v –	M9PWV	M9PW	•	•	•	0	0	circuit	circuit		
4		indication)			2-wire		12 V		M9BWV	M9BW			۰	0	0	—	I LO
7		Water resistant			3-wire (NPN)	5 V, 12 V		M9NAV**	M9NA**	0	0	۰	0	0	IC		
3		(2-colour		3-wire (PNP)	1		M9PAV**	M9PA**	0	0	٠	0	0	circuit			
_		2-wire		12 V		M9BAV**	M9BA**	0	0	٠	0	0	—				
**	** Water resistant type auto switches can be mounted on the above models, but in such case SMC cannot guarantee water resistance.																
* L	* Lead wire length symbols: 0.5 m Nil (Example) M9NW * Solid state auto switches marked with a "O"																
1 m M (Example) M9NWM symbol are produced upon receipt of order								order.									

..... L (Example) M9NWL Z (Example) M9NWZ

3 m ------ L (Example) M9NWL 5 m ------ Z (Example) M9NWZ Note 1) When using the 2-colour indicator type, please make the setting so that the indicator is lit in red to ensure the detection at the proper position of the air gripper. Note 2) When ordering the air gripper with auto switch mounting brackets are supplied with the air gripper. When ordering the auto switch separately, auto switch mounting brackets (BMG2-012) are required.

Symbol

Double acting







Holding Point

•Work holding point should be within the range indicated in the graph.



Guidelines for the selection of the gripper with respect to component weight

•Selection of the correct model depends upon the component weight, the coefficient of friction between the finger attachment and the component, and their respective configurations. A model should be selected with a holding force of 10 to 20 times that of the component weight.

•If high accelleration, decelleration or impact forces are encountered during component transfer a further margin of safety should be considered.

•Effective holding force

The holding force shown in the tables represents the holding force of one finger when all fingers and attachment are in contact with the work. F = One finger thrust.



Effective Holding Force



MHC2-16D



MHC2-20D





Single acting



MHC2-16S

MHC2-20S









Angular Style Standard Series MHC2

Double Acting ø20, ø25,



Series MHC2

Construction

Double acting/Fingers open



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16

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Single acting

Double acting/Fingers closed



Component Parts

No.	Description	Material	Note
1	Body	Aluminum alloy	Hard anodized
2	Piston A	Aluminum alloy	Hard anodized
3	Piston B assembly		
4	Finger	Carbon steel	Heat treated
5	Side roller	Carbon steel	Nitriding
6	Lever shaft	Stainless steel	Nitriding
7	Center roller	Carbon steel	Nitriding
8	Center pin	Carbon steel	Nitriding
9	Сар	Resin	
10	Bumper	Urethane rubber	
11	Rubber magnet	Synthetic rubber	

Replacement Parts

Description	MHC2-10	MHC2-16	MHC2-20	MHC2-25	Main parts
Seal kit	MHC10-PS	MHC16-PS	MHC20-PS	MHC25-PS	18(192021)
Finger assembly	MHC-A1003	MHC-A1603	MHC-A2003	MHC-A2503	4567813
Piston assembly set	MHC-A1002	MHC-A1602	MHC-A2002	MHC-A2502	2378101181920
Piston A assembly	MHC-A1001	MHC-A1601	MHC-A2001	MHC-A2501	21011
Piston B assembly	P3311145B	P3311245B	P3311345B	P3311445C	3
Needle assembly	MH-A1006		MH-A1606		14

* Order 1 piece finger assembly per one unit. Replacement part/Grease pack part no.: GR-S-010 (10 g)

Auto switch \oplus

Component Parts

With auto switch

No	Description	Material	Note
110.	Description	Wateria	NOLE
12	Type C retaining ring	Carbon steel	Phosphate coated
13	Needle roller	High carbon chrome bearing steel	
14	Needle assembly	Brass	Electroless nickel plated
15	Exhaust plug	Brass	Electroless nickel plated
16	Plug	Brass	Electroless nickel plated
17	Spring	Stainless steel spring wire	
18	Piston seal	NBR	
19	Piston seal	NBR	
20	Piston seal	NBR	
21	Gasket	NBR	

