Coding & Marking Solutions
Vision System
Designed for Inkjet Printing

MC-20S

Most vision systems on the market today are limited in their ability to read dot matrix printing found on primary packaging. Hitachi has developed a vision system specifically able to isolate each character in the dot matrix inkjet printing. This provides some key benefits to manufacturing companies:
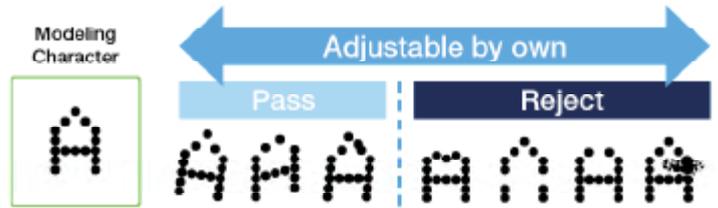
- Specifically developed to accurately read inkjet codes regardless of the printer brand being used
- Isolation of each character to detect code degradation
- Threshold grading system individually set for your application

By designing a vision system specifically for inkjet printers, any code that is readable by the human eye can also be passed by the vision system, getting more production out the door. This is part of the Hitachi Communication Solutions, which help leverage technology on your production lines to improve your efficiency.

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How it works

Specifications

Item	MC-20SW0	MC-20SW1	MC-20SW2
Verification characters	Characters marked by IJ printer, laser, thermal and stamp		
Verification method	Character matching, presence and area		
Number of verification areas	Max. 6 areas		
Number of verification characters	Max. 16 characters per area		
Maximum Inspect Speed *1	Color camera : Max. 500 pieces/minute Monochrome camera: Max. 1,000 pieces/minute		
Inspection characters — Standard characters	Alphabetic [A-Z, a-z], Numeral [0-9], General symbol [. – ' / :+]		
External characters	50 characters		
Clustered characters	8 characters		
Calendar characters	Year, Month, Day, Hour, Minute, Week number, Day of the week, Calendar substitution function: 99 rules		
Count characters	Count-up, Random inspection		
Read characters	Read character inspection (Numerals, Alphabets and External characters)		
Barcode	Read QR code inspection		
Tilt of characters	Within ±3°		
Correction function	Reference position correction, Rotate correction (±180°), Shading correction		
Tilted segmentation	Fixed: Within ±30°, Auto: Within ±20°		
Data store — Number of registered items	Max. 240 items		
Character dictionary	Standard characters, External characters: 20 patterns per character. (OK characters: 10 patterns, NG characters: 10 patterns) Clustered characters: 1 pattern per character.		
Save of images	Latest NG images: 100, latest OK images: 8		
Simplified total storage function — Storage contents	Inspection results and images (Original pictures)		
Storage speed *2	Max. 200 pieces/minute		
Auxiliary function for Maintenance	Inspection number display (Total count, Passed, Failed), Statistics of failures (Total inspections, Total count, Fail total, Fail ratio, Breakdown of failure cases), LED Check emission counter, Strobe emission counter, I/O signal test, etc.		

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Camera interface	Color VGA, or Monochrome VGA camera		
Connectable cameras	1		
Light	—	White LED strobe lighting x 2 (Bar LED)	White LED strobe lighting x 1 (Flat LED)
Light controller	—	Dedicated light controller	
Touch panel display interface	15.0 inch TFT LCD, Resistive touch panel		
External storage for Image	USB memory/USB HDD/NAS *3		
I/O Signals — Input	Object sensor, Encoder, Clear error, Reset count, Test mode		
Output	Status indicator light (Run, Failure, Error), Inspection results, Inspection ready, Unit ready, Inspection complete, Test mode, External strobe output		
External communication (Serial communication) — Function	Hitachi IJ printer communication (Recall the Registered items, Set the Inspection characters and Date/Time setup), Host communication (Recall the Registered items, Set the Inspection characters and Date/Time setup, Output the Inspection characters)		
Specification	Serial interface: RS-232C (at baud rates selectable up to 57,600bps)		
Ethernet communication — Function	Modbus communication, FTP communication		
Specification	IEEE802.3, 10BASE-T, 100BASE-T		
Conveyor specifications	Encoder, Tracking, Object sensor filter, Object sensor timer, Sampling ejection, Number of ejections		
Power supply	AC100-120/200-240V±10%, 50/60Hz±1%		
Electricity consumption	120VA or lower		
Ambient temperature and humidity	0-40°C/32-104°F, 30-80%RH		
Operating environment	No condensation, no dust, nor corrosive gas		
External dimension of Main body/Weight	Approx. 400×360×117mm (WxDxH)/Approx. 8kg/18lbs		

*1 The number varies depending on the verification details.
*2 The number varies depending on NAS.
*3 It does not guarantee connection with all devices. For detail, please contact us.

Extra dimensions (mm)

Unit

Display

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