TRIAC
180 Degree Series Actuators:

Attention: Instructional videos on some of the information provided below can be found on our website www.atcontrols.com (http://www.a-tcontrols.com/videos/).

1. Installation of Actuator:

Triac actuators are mounted directly to valves or adapted to the valve by means of an intermediate bracket and coupler. The coupler adapts the output of the actuator to the valve shaft. Standard mounting kits provide mounting of the actuator in the direction of the pipe. Pipelines can be horizontal, vertical, or other positions. When mounting the actuator to a valve using a mounting kit, the pinion drive, coupling device and valve stem should be centered and concentric to prevent any side loading to the bottom pinion radial bearing and valve stem seal area.
After mounting, it may be necessary to adjust the end of travel stop for proper open or closed valve position. Pneumatically stroke the actuator several times to assure proper operation with no binding of the coupler.

2. Air Supply:

Pneumatic piping to the actuator and associated accessories should follow the best practices for instrument pneumatic piping systems, ie line free of water, oil, pipe sealant or other contaminants. The operating medium is to be filtered dry air or inert gas which is filtered to 50 micron particles size or less. It is extremely important that the actuator be powered with the proper air pressure and air volume. Maximum working pressure is 150 PSI.

3. Lubrication:

Triac actuators are factory lubricated for life and additional lubrication is not normally required. However, for actuators performing 100,000 cycles or more, an oil mist lubricator is recommended. Oil mist lubrication requires a mineral oil type ISO VG32 Class 1 for usage in temperature range 15 to 158 Deg. F. Oil mist lubricator must be set to the lowest setting. Once begun, the oil mist lubrication cannot be discontinued.
Caution: If the actuator is equipped with a pneumatic positioner or pneumatic controller, oil mist lubricated air cannot be used unless the instrument manufacturer indicates that the instrument is compatible with lubricated air.

4. Travel Adjustment:

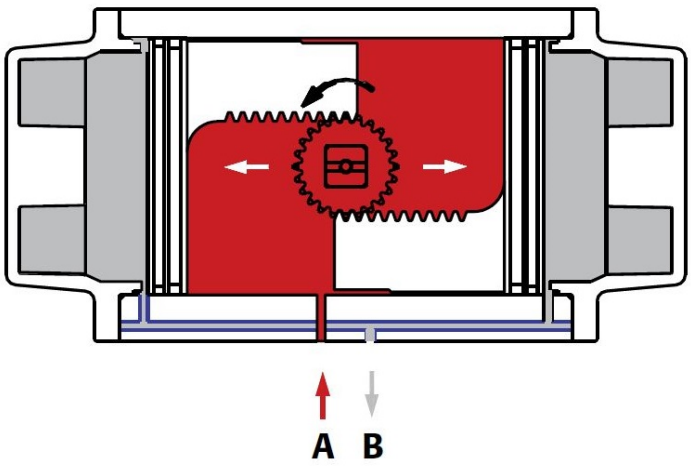
The Triac 180 degree rack & pinion actuators have travel stop adjustments in the counterclockwise direction only. The over travel feature provides adjustments from 185 degrees to 175 degrees at the at the 180 degree counterclockwise position.

5. Spare Parts:

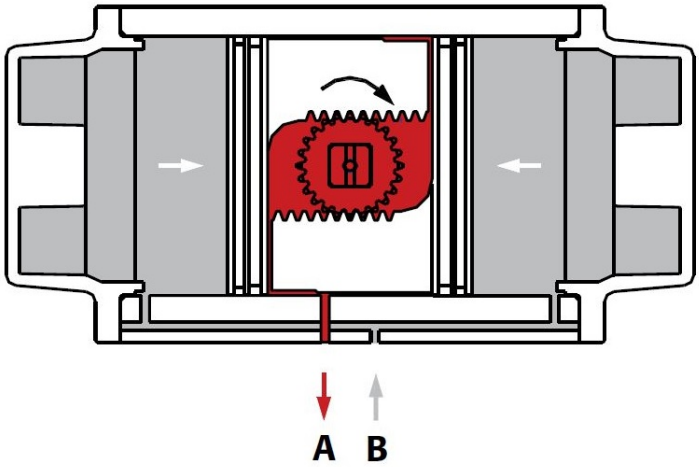
Please contact A-T Controls for spare parts and repair kit pricing

6. Operation – Double Acting:

CCW:
Air is supplied to Port A forcing the pistons away from each other (toward ends) which rotates the drive pinion counterclockwise and exhausts the air out of
Port B.



CW:
Air is supplied to Port B forcing the pistons toward each other (toward center) which rotates the drive pinion clockwise and exhausts the air out of Port A.



7. Disassembly Procedures:

CAUTION
Before removing any components of the actuator, ensure that all pneumatic and electrical power supplies are disconnected.

7.1 Removal of Travel Stops:
Disconnect air supply and electric to de-pressure the actuator. Release the lock nuts and unscrew both travel stops and seals, which are located in each end cap.

7.2 Removal of End Caps:

Double Acting Units:
Loosen and remove the end cap bolts evenly on both end caps. Using a rubber mallet rotate the end cap slightly, gaining access to the edges of the end cap. Use the rubber mallet to remove the end cap evenly.

7.3 Removal of Pistons:
Rotate the pinion using a wrench to drive the pistons apart until they are free of the actuator body.

7.4 Removal of Pinion:
Remove the snap ring, thrust washer and thrust bearing from the top of the pinion. Carefully remove the pinion from the cylinder body through the bottom. The travel stop cam will not fit through the bottom bore. It will slip off the pinion prior to the pinion removal. Take care to ensure the pinion does not damage the body.

8. Assembly Instructions

8.1 Inspection:
Check that all components are clean and have not been damaged. Triac recommends that all O-rings, Bearings, Washers, etc are replaced using only Triac replacement parts.

8.2 Installing the Pinion:
Lightly grease the pinion, o-ring grooves and guide bushing groove of the pinion and pinion o-rings with multi-purpose grease. Install the top bearing into the actuator body bearing bore. Fit the top o-ring into the top pinion groove. Fit the bottom guide bushing into the bottom pinion groove. Slip the bottom o-ring into the bottom pinion groove. Carefully insert the pinion into the body until the top of the Pinion is inside the body cylinder. Gently push the pinion up through the body making sure the bottom guide bushing, bottom o-ring & top o-ring stay in their grooves. With the pinion in this position install the thrust bearing washer, the thrust washer and lastly the snap ring. Make sure the snap ring fits properly in the groove.

8.3 Alignment of Pinion for Correct Piston Installation:
Rotate the pinion approximately 10 degrees counter-clockwise from perpendicular.

8.4 Installing the Pistons:
Lightly grease the piston o-rings, piston backup ring & guide plate with multi-purpose grease & fit the o-rings, backup ring & guide plate into their respective grooves on the piston. Liberally grease the actuator body bore and the piston rack. Insert the pistons into the bore, one piston in each end with the teeth facing each other (see Figures above).

Push both pistons together until they are both in contact with the pinion, so that when the pinion is rotated Clockwise the pistons are drawn together. When the pistons are together and the racks are correctly engaged with the pinion, the top pinion drive flats should be perpendicular to the body.

8.5 End Cap Installation:
With the pistons together, lightly grease the end cap o-rings with multi-purpose grease. Grease the ends of the body bore and the end caps. Install the o-rings into the groove in the end caps.

9. Testing:
Using compressed air at 80psi-100psi, check the seal areas with soapy water and ensure no bubbles are produced and that the pinion rotates smoothly over its full travel.

10. Cycling of infrequently used or stored actuators:
Actuators that are not in current use for at least a 3 month period, should be cycled a minimum of ten times. The seal manufacturers recommend this procedure to prevent pre-set of the seals.

11. Service:
It is the policy of Triac to give the best possible service to our customers. We are happy to assist you in any way we can. If you have any questions about Triac Actuators or other Triac products please contact A-T Controls or your local Triac Distributor.

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