



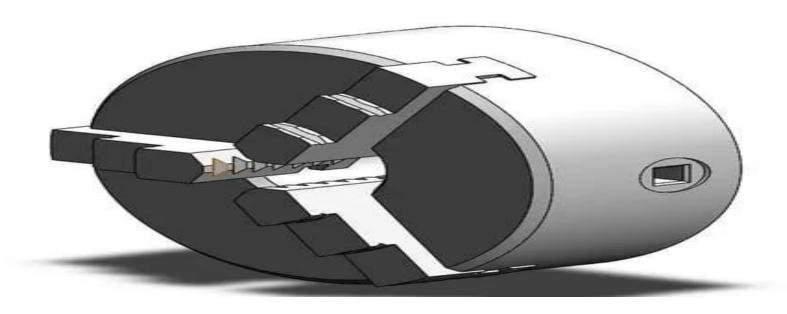
# DESIGN AND FABRICATION OF AUTOMATIC CHUCK

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# WHAT IS CHUCK???

A chuck is a clamp that holds a rotating workpiece in place on a lathe machine. Lathe chucks are used to accurately clamp a workpiece on a lathe for turning operations or can be used on an indexing fixture for milling operations.



# **USAGE OF CHUCK INTEGRATED WITH SENSOR:**

- Conventional chuck requires manual efforts to clamp and tight the component in lathe or any cylindrical clamping machine.
- In CNC machine they have automatic chucks it does not requires much human efforts to clamp the product.

# NOVELTY OF OUR PROJECT!!!

• Our project aims to clamping of products with chuck by completely eliminating of manual efforts.

# WORKING PRINCIPLE:

- When we place the cylindrical component in the chuck the proximity sensor senses it and using the actuators the jaws clamp to the component.
- To remove the component from the chuck, This chuck has a touch sensor on the cover when we held our hand and hold it for few seconds it automatically the jaws are unclamps the component from the chuck.

### Sensors

- 1. Proximity Sensor (PS)
- 2. Optical Sensor (OS)
- 3. Force Sensor (FS)
- 4. Position Sensor (PoS)

### Control Unit

- 1. Microcontroller (MCU)
- 2. Programmable Logic Controller (PLC)

### Actuators

- 1. Electric Motor (EM)
- 2. Hydraulic Cylinder (HC)
- 3. Pneumatic Cylinder (PC)

## **Mechanical Components**

- 1. Chuck Jaw
- 2. Clamping Mechanism

# Signal Flow:

- 1. Sensors  $\rightarrow$  MCU/PLC (Input Signals)
- 2.  $MCU/PLC \rightarrow Actuators (Control Signals)$
- 3. Actuators → Mechanical Components (Motion)
- 4. Mechanical Components → Sensors (Feedback)

# Sequence of Operation

- 1. Workpiece detection by Proximity Sensor (PS)
- 2. Size measurement by Optical Sensor (OS)
- 3. Chuck jaw positioning by Position Sensor (PoS)
- 4. Clamping force adjustment by Force Sensor (FS)
- 5. Clamping mechanism activation by MCU/PLC
- 6. Chuck jaw closure by Electric Motor (EM) or Hydraulic/Pneumatic Cylinder
- 7. Workpiece clamping and holding
- 8. Release sequence initiated by MCU/PLC