



# Linear axes for collaborative robots



# Heritage of innovation for technology leadership

Ewellix is a global innovator and manufacturer of linear motion and actuation solutions. Today, our state-of-the-art linear solutions are designed to increase machine performance, maximise uptime, reduce maintenance, improve safety and save energy.

### **Technology leadership**

Our journey began **over 50 years** ago as part of the SKF Group, and our history with SKF provided us with the **expertise to continuously develop new technologies** and use them to create cutting edge products that offer our customers a competitive advantage.

In 2019, we became independent from SKF and changed our name to Ewellix. **We are proud of our heritage.** This gives us a unique foundation on which to build an agile business with engineering excellence and innovation as our core strengths.

### **Global presence and local support**

With our **global presence**, we are uniquely positioned to deliver **standard components and custom-engineered solutions**, with full technical and applications support around the world. Long standing relationships with our distributor partners allow us to support customers in a variety of different industries. At Ewellix, we don't just provide products; **we engineer integrated solutions** that help customers realise their ambitions.



## Applications

Industry 4.0 has driven a modernization of operations across different industries. Process automation is a key enabler to reach operational excellence with interconnected machineries.

Collaborative robots (cobots) can greatly improve productivity in industrial environments with repetitive tasks. The radius of action is usually limited by their reach. Additional linear axes can significantly enhance the radius of action up to 5 times, by re-positioning the base of the robot during its working cycle.

Ewellix offers a range of linear motion axes - vertical and horizontal - to easily expand the capabilities of a cobot.



### **Benefits for palletizing**

Fully automated pick and place solutions are becoming a new standard with packaging stations. The main challenge for packaging system manufacturers is to design multi-axis systems in a simple and cost effective way. A typical application that benefits from an added linear axis is palletizing of boxes. Stacking on pallets can start at floor level, but the stack can be up to 2 m high. A standard collaborative robot does not have such a large vertical working range.

Ewellix provides effective solutions to complete vertical adjustment in a smart way, providing a ready to mount additional linear axis to the robot. While stacking a pallet, the base of the robot can be lifted or lowered to work at a more optimal position.

### **Benefits for handling**

Concerning handling applications, it's often required to cover long distances between machines, like machined parts loading and unloading on CNC centers.

This repetitive operation, usually done manually, is time consuming and with low added value for the operators.

By using a cobot on the Ewellix linear module, it is possible to easily automate this handling process, increasing its productivity and reliability.

Linear modules from Ewellix provide fast and precise movements to effectively position the robot along a horizontal axis.





## Solutions for vertical axes

Ewellix offers different telescopic pillar configurations to meet the demands of a range of robot applications. These telescopic pillars are very robust and stable, with built in drive system for easy integration.

### TLT

- Telescopic design using two motors to achieve a high stroke with low retracted height
- Fast speed up to 80 mm/s at 1 500 N push load
- Very quiet operation
- Mechanical brake included
- Different screw and motor options





Available on request

- Telescopic design using a double screw drive train to achieve a high stroke with low retracted height
- Higher duty cycle and lifetime compared to TLT
- Single motor design
- Push and pull load



### **CPSM**

Available on request

- · Servo pillar with full motor flexibility
- Can be provided with external brushless DC or servo motor, or interface for any third party motor
- Very high speeds over 200 mm/s
- · Highest duty cycle and lifetime
- · Push and pull load



### Key benefits for collaborative robots



| Main application<br>Palletizing                      | <b>Push/pull force</b><br>Push         | $\uparrow$ $\downarrow$ |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Stroke/Speed<br>High stroke ←I→                      | <b>Positioning precision</b><br>0,3 mm | •••                     |
| Duty cycle<br>Low                                    | <b>Brake</b><br>Internal               | 80                      |
| Main application<br>Ceiling mounting and palletizing | Push/pull force<br>Push and pull       | ↓                       |
| Stroke/Speed<br>High stroke ←I→                      | <b>Positioning precision</b><br>0,2 mm | •••                     |
| Duty cycle<br>Medium                                 | <b>Brake</b><br>Internal               | <b>80</b>               |
| Main application<br>Pick and place                   | Push/pull force<br>Push and pull       | $\uparrow$ $\downarrow$ |
| Stroke/Speed<br>High speed                           | <b>Positioning precision</b><br>0,1 mm | •••                     |
| Duty cycle<br>High ●●●                               | <b>Brake</b><br>External               | 80                      |

# Solutions for horizontal axes

Ewellix offers different linear module configurations to meet the demands of a range of horizontal cobot positioning applications.

### CLSM-150-B

#### Features

- Ball screw drive train (belt drive train on request)
- Four cover option for different protection levels
- High level of positioning precision and repeatability
- Inline and parallel gear boxes
- Customized motor adapter plate to fit any motor
- Stroke up to 1,8 m (longer strokes available on request)
- Speed up to 1,2 m/s (higher speed on request)

### Benefits

- High movable loads in operation
- Long life in operation
- Easy maintenance by one-point lubrication option from both carriage sides
- Precise alignment and secure fastening of the attachments





## **Customized solutions**

Ewellix offers a wide range of possible customizations to satisfy different application needs.

From basic modifications like custom attachments or painting to complete customized solution, Ewellix can offer tailor made systems to empower cobots users in getting most benefits for their applications.

In this customization example, we have realized a multi-axes system to move independently 2 robots on both horizontal and vertical axes, dramatically enlarging the operating range while keeping a very compact footprint.

#### Features

- Rack and pinion drivetrain
- Independent movement
- Stroke up to 6m
- Multiple carriages
- Custom robot mounting plates



## Integrated solutions for Universal Robots

Complete plug & play solutions, UR+ certified, are available for cobots from Universal Robots. The LIFTKIT and SLIDEKIT provide a ready to install solution to easily add a vertical or horizontal axis to Universal Robots.

The kits include all required hardware, controllers and interfaces to the Universal Robots system. Also included is a URCaps software to directly control the additional axis from within the UR programming environment. No engineering resources needed! Ready to run in 30 minutes.



www.universal-robots.com/plus/accessories/liftkit/





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# Linear axis for collaborative robots LIFTKIT

#### **Operating range extension**

- Vertical lifting of the cobot by up to 900 mm (1.400 mm on request) with compact retracted height
- Robust pillar design for industrial use, vibration free motion and virtually maintenance free

#### **Plug-and-play solution**

- Hardware interface compatible with UR3, UR5, UR10 and UR16 robots
- Universal Robots+ certified product
- Software control integrated with UR controller (URCaps) for easy motion programming
- Basic control option with digital I/O for all cobot manufacturers

### Cost savings and higher productivity

Cobots combined with Ewellix LIFTKIT provide

a cost-effective solution to upgrade an existing assembly shop, moving from a manual handled to a fully automatized line.



### **Technical data**

|                                        | Unit | LIFTKIT-UR-601                   | LIFTKIT-00-601                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------|------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Pillar type                            | -    | TLT                              | TLT                                                                                       |
| Performance Data                       |      |                                  |                                                                                           |
| Max. Push load                         | Ν    | 1 500                            | 1 500                                                                                     |
| Max. Pull load                         | Ν    | 0                                | 0                                                                                         |
| Max. dynamic moments                   | Nm   | 210                              | 210                                                                                       |
| Max. linear speed                      | mm/s | 80                               | 80                                                                                        |
| Duty cycle                             | %    | 10% (20% at 500N)                | 10% (20% at 500N)                                                                         |
| Mechanical Data                        |      |                                  |                                                                                           |
| Screw type                             | -    | Acme screw                       | Acme screw                                                                                |
| Stroke range                           | mm   | 500 - 900                        | 500 - 900                                                                                 |
| Retracted length (software controlled) | mm   | Stroke/2 + 275                   | Stroke/2 + 275                                                                            |
| Repeatability(same direction and load) | mm   | ± 0.5                            | ± 0.5                                                                                     |
| Weight @ 0 mm stroke                   | Kg   | 21                               | 21                                                                                        |
| $\Delta$ weight per 100mm stroke       | Kg   | 1,7                              | 1,7                                                                                       |
| Robots compatibility                   | -    | UR3, UR5, UR10, UR16, e-Series   | Any robot                                                                                 |
| Cable management                       | -    | Threads on pillar and interface  | Threads on pillar and interface                                                           |
|                                        | -    | plate to attach cable management | plate to attach cable management                                                          |
| Electrical                             |      |                                  |                                                                                           |
|                                        |      | 120 AC / 6.5 A                   | 120 AC / 6.5 A                                                                            |
| Voltage/Current                        | V/A  | 230 AC / 3,3 A                   | 230 AC / 3,3 A                                                                            |
| -                                      |      | 24 DC / 10 A                     | 24 DC / 10 A                                                                              |
| Emergency stop                         | -    | Connection to UR safety I/O      | Connection to robot safety I/O                                                            |
| Communication                          |      |                                  |                                                                                           |
| Control interface                      | -    | / Polyscope 3.6 or higher        | Digital I/O control, RS232 interface for external software control (no software provided) |
| Positioning, repeatability             | mm   | ±1                               | ±1                                                                                        |
| Accessible positions                   | -    | any                              | 2 memory positions programmable                                                           |
| Feedback                               | -    | Position feedback via URCaps     | Position feedback for memory positions via<br>output signal                               |
| Soft start and stop                    | -    | Implemented for smooth operation | Implemented for smooth operation                                                          |
| Software control                       | -    | URcap                            | RS232 interface for external software control (no control software provided)              |
| Environment                            |      |                                  |                                                                                           |
| Type of protection                     | IP   | 40                               | 40                                                                                        |
| Ambient temperature                    | °C   | +10 to +40                       | +10 to +40                                                                                |
| Max. humidity                          | %    | 85                               | 85                                                                                        |

### Dimensional drawing TLT telescopic pillar

#### Robot attachment plate



#### Bottom fixation plate

<u>8ר6,3 mm</u>



### **Control unit**







Threads for cable management attachments





### Example of LIFTKIT-00 interface board to robot PLC (not included)



### Software functionality

The URCaps software for the LIFTKIT allows easy positioning access directly within the UR Polyscope environment.

### Setup

In the installation tab, the user can manually move the linear axis in both directions and define multiple user specific positions, that are accessible in programming mode.

### Motion programming

Within the UR motion program, the LIFTKIT axis is easily integrated through a URCaps command module. Simply insert this element from the structure tab at the desired position of the program. Additionally, reading and setting positions is possible through a script function.

#### Safety elements

The LIFTKIT has a range of safety elements built in to allow its integration into a robot application.

#### Software updates

Ordering key

To download the latest software update please check on ewellix.com/support/library/software updates.

**NOTE:** The LIFTKIT is not a functional safety system compliant with EN ISO 13489-1 or IEC 62061. To integrate the LIFTKIT into a functional safety chain, external safety devices have to be integrated into the overall system.



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LIFTKIT software functionality

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#### LIFTKIT 00 Robot 00 Any robot (no software, no robot interface plate) UR Universal Robots Stroke\* 500 mm 600 mm 700 mm 800 mm 900 mm **Electrical options** 24 V DC 00 11 120 V AC / US cable 22 230 V AC / EU cable 23 230 V AC / CN cable 24 230 V AC / UK cable 25 230 V AC / CH cable Pillar type TLT 601

\* longer stroke up to 1 400 mm available on request

# Linear axis for collaborative robots SLIDEKIT 2.0

#### Operating range extension

By adding a linear module as a dynamic base for the robot, it is possible to extend the handling operating area of the robot, increasing the productivity of a series of machines working in the same production flow.

#### **Plug-and-play solution**

The SLIDEKIT 2.0 provides quick and fast installation, by having a standardized mechanical, electrical and software interface with Universal Robots. In few steps, the system is ready to be used and simply programmed in operation.

### Cost savings and higher productivity

UR cobots combined with the SLIDEKIT 2.0 linear module provide a cost-effective solution to upgrade an existing assembly shop, moving from a manual handled to a fully automatized line.

#### Improved performances

The 2.0 release of the SLIDEKIT delivers several improvements compared to the former version, like higher system reactivity and stability, lower noise in operation and optimized design for limit switches and relubrication points



### **Technical data**

| Designation                             | Unit | SLIDEKIT-UR                                                   | SLIDEKIT-00                                                                                                                             |
|-----------------------------------------|------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Linear module type                      | -    | CLSM-150                                                      | CLSM-150                                                                                                                                |
| Performance Data                        |      |                                                               |                                                                                                                                         |
| Max. dynamic payload                    | Ν    | 10 900                                                        | 10 900                                                                                                                                  |
| Max. static load capacity               | Ν    | 12 100                                                        | 12 100                                                                                                                                  |
| Max. dynamic moments Mx                 | Nm   | 2 400                                                         | 2 400                                                                                                                                   |
| Max. dynamic moments Mz                 | Nm   | 1 800                                                         | 1 800                                                                                                                                   |
| Max. linear speed                       | mm/s | See graph page 6                                              | See graph page 6                                                                                                                        |
| Duty cycle                              | %    | 100                                                           | 100                                                                                                                                     |
| Mechanical Data                         |      |                                                               |                                                                                                                                         |
| Screw type                              | -    | Ball screw                                                    | Ball screw                                                                                                                              |
| Stroke range                            | mm   | 100 - 1 800                                                   | 100 - 1 800                                                                                                                             |
| Repeatability (same direction and load) | mm   | ± 0.01                                                        | ± 0.01                                                                                                                                  |
| Weight @ 0 mm stroke                    | Kg   | 10                                                            | 10                                                                                                                                      |
| Δ weight per 100mm stroke               | Kg   | 1,4                                                           | 1,4                                                                                                                                     |
| Robots compatibility                    | -    | UR3, UR5, UR10, UR16, e-Series                                | Any robot                                                                                                                               |
| Cable management                        | -    | Cableveyor                                                    | Cableveyor                                                                                                                              |
| Electrical                              |      |                                                               |                                                                                                                                         |
| Voltage/Current                         | V/A  | 115 VAC / 4.8 A<br>230 VAC / 2.4 A<br>24 DC / 20A             | 115 VAC / 4.8 A<br>230 VAC / 2.4 A<br>24 DC / 20A                                                                                       |
| Emergency stop                          | -    | Connection to UR safety I/O                                   | Connection to Robot safety I/O                                                                                                          |
| Communication                           |      |                                                               |                                                                                                                                         |
| Control interface                       | -    | URCaps plugin compatible with CB3.1 / Polyscope 3.6 or higher | Digital I/O control, CAN interface for external software control (no software provided)                                                 |
| Positioning, repeatability              | mm   | ± 0.1                                                         | ± 0.1                                                                                                                                   |
| Accessible positions                    | -    | any                                                           | 14 memory positions programmable                                                                                                        |
| Feedback                                | -    | Position feedback via URCaps                                  | Position feedback via output signal                                                                                                     |
| Soft start and stop                     | -    | Implemented for smooth operation                              | Implemented for smooth operation                                                                                                        |
| Software control                        | -    | URcap                                                         | CAN interface for external software control<br>(no software provided / The software can be<br>downloaded from the Dunker motor website) |
| Environment                             |      |                                                               |                                                                                                                                         |
| Type of protection                      | IP   | Controll box = IP64<br>SlideKit =N/A                          | Controll box = IP64<br>SlideKit =N/A                                                                                                    |
| Ambient temperature                     | °C   | 0 to +50                                                      | 0 to +50                                                                                                                                |
| Max. humidity                           | %    | 95                                                            | 95                                                                                                                                      |

### **Dimensional drawing**



|    | Stroke | А     | В  | с  | D     | Е   |
|----|--------|-------|----|----|-------|-----|
|    | mm     |       |    |    |       |     |
| 1  | 100    | 200   | 1  | 75 | 200   | 175 |
| 2  | 200    | 400   | 2  | 25 |       | 125 |
| 3  | 300    | 400   | 2  | 75 | 400   | 175 |
| 4  | 400    | 600   | 3  | 25 |       | 125 |
| 5  | 500    | 600   | 3  | 75 | 600   | 175 |
| 6  | 600    | 800   | 4  | 25 |       | 125 |
| 7  | 700    | 800   | 4  | 75 | 800   | 175 |
| 8  | 800    | 1 000 | 5  | 25 |       | 125 |
| 9  | 900    | 1 000 | 5  | 75 | 1 000 | 175 |
| 10 | 1 000  | 1 200 | 6  | 25 |       | 125 |
| 11 | 1 100  | 1 200 | 6  | 75 | 1 200 | 175 |
| 12 | 1 200  | 1 400 | 7  | 25 |       | 125 |
| 13 | 1 300  | 1 400 | 7  | 75 | 1 400 | 175 |
| 14 | 1 400  | 1 600 | 8  | 25 |       | 125 |
| 15 | 1 500  | 1 600 | 8  | 75 | 1 600 | 175 |
| 16 | 1 600  | 1 800 | 9  | 25 |       | 125 |
| 17 | 1 700  | 1 800 | 9  | 75 | 1 800 | 175 |
| 18 | 1 800  | 2 000 | 10 | 25 |       | 125 |

**Control unit** 



Standard stroke

### Performance diagram

**Connection diagram** 





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### Software functionality

The URCaps software for the SLIDEKIT 2.0 allows easy positioning access directly within the UR Polyscope environment.

#### Setup

In the installation tab, the user can manually move the linear axis in both directions and define multiple user specific positions, that are accessible in programming mode.

### Motion programming

Within the UR motion program, the SLIDEKIT 2.0 axis is easily integrated through a URCaps command module. Simply insert this element from the structure tab at the desired position of the program. Additionally, reading and setting positions is possible through a script function.

#### Safety elements

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### Software updates

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SLIDEKIT 2.0 software functionality

#### NOTE:

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### Ordering key

|                                                                                                                        | SLIDEKIT |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Robot00Any robot (no software, no robot interface plaURUniversal Robot                                                 | ate)     |
| Module options   B Ball screw                                                                                          |          |
| 20 Lead                                                                                                                |          |
| E Cover Alumium and External motor attachme                                                                            | ont      |
| Stroke100 1 800 mm1 000Preferred range1 800Preferred range                                                             |          |
| Electrical options11120 VAC / US cable22230 VAC / EU cable23230 VAC / CN cable24230 VAC / UK cable25230 VAC / CH cable |          |
| C Cablevevor                                                                                                           |          |
| Customized options                                                                                                     |          |

- Option 1

- Option 2

– Option 3

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