DualVee®
RTU
HIGH CAPACITY ROBOT TRANSFER UNIT

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EXPERTLY DESIGNED, DELIVERED TO PERFORM

Powered by over 70 years of relentless problem-solving and steadfast reliability, Bishop-Wisecarver delivers innovative motion solutions around the world that thrive in harsh and extreme conditions. Our linear and rotary motion solutions, custom complex assemblies, and embedded intelligence systems lead the manufacturing industry, and they are backed by The Signature Experience promise of expert guidance, confidence and customer satisfaction.

EXTENDING ROBOTICS IN CRITICAL APPLICATIONS

Our solutions use the self-cleaning action of DualVee Motion Technology® for maximum environmental and debris resistance. This ability to excel in harsh and extreme conditions is especially crucial for drilling, welding, painting, and more. Many solutions that run on DualVee guide wheels require no maintenance over the planned life of the machine.

DualVee Guide Wheel Based RTUs Are Ideal For:

- Long Length
- Harsh Debris Environments
- Low Total Cost of Ownership
- Low Noise
- Smooth, Low Friction Motion
- High/Low Temperature
INTRODUCTION

Both traditional and collaborative robots can benefit from Bishop-Wisecarver 7th-Axis Robot Transfer Unit solutions available in light, medium and heavy capacity. Each system is designed for durability, ease of installation, and low total cost of ownership. Our expert application engineers can help you select the complete 7th axis system solution that is right for you, or customize a solution to meet your exact requirements.
DUALVEE® RTU OVERVIEW

Features

The DualVee® RTU is designed from the ground up to provide accurate and durable motion for large robots and cobots. The following features are available on standard systems:

- **Structural Weldment**: Thick-walled rectangular tubing construction, finished with paint
- **Robot Carriage**: Sturdy platform with bolt-on hole pattern matched to your robot
- **Leveling Feet**: Rigid mounting with integrated adjustability
- **Rack & Pinion Drive**: Hardened & ground helical gearing for accurate positioning
- **Easily Assembled Modules**: 3 meter base module and 2 meter extensions with removable lift points allow for easier assembly of long systems
- **Automatic Lubrication**: Auto pinion lubrication system and large track lubrication wells for lower maintenance
- **DualVee Guide Wheels and Track**: 8 large capacity linear guide wheel bearings roll on hardened track to support heavy robots at full reach
- **Gearbox & Motor Mount**: 20:1 planetary gearbox; mounting interface to match to your motor
- **Cable Carrier & Support Kits**: Center-mounted cable management system (carrier not shown)
- **Travel Bumpers**: Bumper kits protect against impact at the end of system travel
- **Travel Limit Sensor(s)**: Non-contact inductive switch detects travel limit and assists homing; additional / alternative sensors available

Included Elements:

- Robust rack-driven module(s)
- Carriage with hole pattern matching your selected robot
- 20:1 planetary gearbox as standard
- Motor mount matched to your drive motor of choice
- Homing sensor kit

Add-ons:

- Travel bumper kits
- Additional limit sensor kit
- Cable carrier support kits
- Drive motor

Basic Specs:

- Accuracy within 0.034 mm / 1 m
- Speeds up to 0.5 m/s [1.64 ft/s]
- Accelerations up to 0.981 m/s²
- Max loads of approx. 52.4 kN [11.7 klbf]

Need Customization? Talk to Us!

- Complete mechatronics solution
- Removing included elements
- Alternate gearbox
- Cable carrier with pre-installed cables
- Custom lengths
- Additional machining or alternate finishing
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**Additional Feature Details**

- **Lift Points**
  Lifting eye bolts for each module, designed for removal after base positioning

- **Multi-Point Leveling**
  Large M36 bolts and nuts enable precise adjustment for leveling

- **Integrated Lubrication**
  High capacity lubrication reservoir supplies the vee guide wheel and track interface

**Gearbox & Motor Mount Kit**

This kit includes several required elements for driving the DualVee® RTU system. Talk to our Application Engineers to match a gearbox & mount kit to your specified motor. If you require assistance with motor selection, want a customized gearbox, or need a complete mechatronics solution, our experts are here to help!

**Motor Mount & Shaft Coupler**
Designed to adapt to a variety of suitable motors

**Mounting Base**
Attachment point to the RTU carriage

**Helical Pinion**
Minimal backlash drive; distance from the rack adjusts via the mounting base

**Included Elements:**
- 20:1 planetary gearbox, 90-degree right angle
- Motor mounting flange to fit drive motor
- Shaft coupler to connect to drive motor
- Helical pinion for rack & pinion system
- Automatic lubricator system (125 cc) with felt gear
- Mounting base with pinion adjustment feature

**Gearbox Basic Specs:**
- Backlash: 4 arcmin
- Nominal output torque @ 1500 rpm: 180 Nm
- Max torque during acceleration: 288 Nm
- Max input speed, continuous: 2500 RPM
- Max input speed, cyclical: 4500 RPM
**DUALVEE® RTU ACCESSORIES**

**Cable Carrier**

The DualVee® RTU is designed to use the following cable carrier: IGUS E4-56-12.

This cable carrier can be included on request. Contact our Application Engineers if you require a custom cable carrier system.

**Cable Carrier Mounting Kits**

Bishop-Wisecarver offers two mounting kits designed for the IGUS E4-56-12, of varying heights.

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**Cable Carrier Mounting Kit**

The moveable end of the cable carrier attaches to the cable carrier mounting kit on the carriage.

**Cable Carrier Support Plate**

The fixed end of the cable carrier attaches to the cable carrier support plate.
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**Cable Carrier Support Plate Kit**

The recommended cable carrier is able to operate unsupported over medium distances, but as an option, provide additional support for the cable carrier in the areas that span between the base structure cross-beams. This kit of parts includes the steel plate finished in matching paint and all necessary fasteners. Use multiple plate kits to span longer travel distances.

**Steel Plate**
Constructed from 1/8” thick steel plate and finished with durable paint

**Support Plate**
Attaches to beam structure to support the cable carrier across the gaps in the cross-beams

**Mounting Location**
Includes mounting location and fasteners for attaching the recommended cable carrier to the base structure

**Slotted Holes**
Allow for adjustability and accommodate any inaccuracy to rapidly mount the cable carrier solution to the motion system

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<td>CCSP</td>
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Longer travel RTU systems will require multiple cable carrier support kits.
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Travel Bumper Mounting Kits
Optional bumpers absorb impact energy at the end of travel in emergency situations to help prevent damage and improve safety. Mounting kits attach to the base structure using carbon steel fasteners and can be attached in a variety of locations including to the inside of the beam as shown below, or to the outside of the beam. Bishop-Wisecarver recommends the use of two bumper kits at each end of travel.

**Included Elements:**
- Steel bracket with painted finish
- Mounting hardware
- Shock absorber with mount block

**Basic Specs:**
- Energy capacity of 134 Nm per cycle
- Lifetime use up to 25 million cycles
- Oil dampening with spring return

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<th>SHOCK ABSORBER</th>
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<td>MC600</td>
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Not included on RTU system assembly as standard. Add option to order. Each kit contains one shock absorber. Recommended to add four kits per RTU system.
**Travel Limit Sensor Kits**

Non-contact inductive proximity sensors are an important option for enhancing the safe operation of any motion system. The standard RTU motion system includes one (1) travel limit sensor (LP4SNSRINDWPOK) mounted on the starting end and is useful for position homing and for end of travel sensing. Add an additional optional sensor at the opposite end of travel to detect overtravel conditions and trigger an emergency stop condition that could prevent damage or injury. Choose from a variety of sensor specifications to suit your application.

### Included Elements:
- Proximity sensor with 2 meter cable
- Mounting hardware
- Adjustable mounting plate

### Basic Specs:
- Operating voltage: 6-30 VDC
- Repeatability: ≤3% sensing dist. (~0.03 mm)
- Hysteresis: <10% sensing dist. (~0.1 mm)
- Voltage drop (sensor on): <1.8 V
- Max output current: 200 mA
- Switching frequency: 1 kHz
- Absorption at 24 VDC: <12 mA
- Temp. range: -13 to 158 °F (-25 to 70 °C)
- Ingress protection: IP67

### Sensor Kits

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<th>SENSOR TYPE</th>
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**DIMENSIONS AND PART NUMBERS**

**Overall Dimensions**

All values in mm unless specified.
Foot number and spacing varies with travel length. Contact BW for your specific floor mounting pattern.
Actual robot mounting hole pattern will match specified robot, which may impact plate dimensions and overall dimensions; Contact BW for details and updated drawings.

**Base System Part Numbers**

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Part Number Example:
DVRTU4CFN0-4M = DualVee RTU, size 4 carbon steel, Fanuc M-20iD compatible, no pedestal, 4 meter travel length.

*Robots listed here are for example only; many more robots are compatible with DualVee RTU. Contact us to specify robots not listed here.

**Example Robots**

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<tr>
<th>MANUFACTURER + MODEL NUMBER*</th>
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<td>ABB IRB 1600</td>
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LOAD CALCULATIONS

Working Load Capacity

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<th>RTU LOAD CAPACITIES</th>
<th>AXIAL L&lt;sub&gt;z&lt;/sub&gt;</th>
<th>RADIAL L&lt;sub&gt;r&lt;/sub&gt;</th>
<th>PITCH M&lt;sub&gt;p&lt;/sub&gt;</th>
<th>YAW M&lt;sub&gt;y&lt;/sub&gt;</th>
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<td>13,593</td>
<td>10,026</td>
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Sizing and Selection Tips

The following equation is for the purpose of estimating the applied load factor to the wheel plate and track plate only. System drive components are not accounted for, but should also be considered. Working load capacities are based on empirical data on guide wheels used in general applications with static and dynamic load conditions. Guide wheels can routinely achieve travel life of one million cycles or higher when these specified load capacities are observed.

**Step 1: Calculate all forces applied to the wheel plate**

Any forces applied on the wheel plate need to be considered, including inertial forces, gravitational forces, external forces such as tool pressure, impact loading, and payload. The most conservative calculations will use max foundational loading values from robot manufacturer catalogs.

If assistance is required in resolving specific loads into the resultant forces, please contact our Applications Engineering staff.

**Step 2: Calculate load factor for the wheel plate**

\[
L_F = \frac{F_R}{L_R} + \frac{F_A}{L_A} + \frac{T_p}{M_p} + \frac{T_y}{M_y} + \frac{T_R}{M_R} \leq 1
\]

**WHERE**
- \(L_F\) = Load factor
- \(F_R\) = Resultant radial load
- \(F_A\) = Resultant axial load
- \(T_p\) = Resultant Pitch Moment Load
- \(T_y\) = Resultant Yaw Moment Load
- \(T_R\) = Resultant Roll Moment Load
- \(L_R\) = Radial Working Load Capacity
- \(L_A\) = Axial Working Load Capacity
- \(M_p\) = Pitch Moment Load Capacity
- \(M_y\) = Yaw Moment Load Capacity
- \(M_R\) = Roll Moment Load Capacity

Since the robot can only be extended in one horizontal direction, it is often possible to use \(T_R = \text{max applied horizontal moment}\) and \(T_p = 0\).

If the load factor \(L_F\) is >1, consider a larger size system.

**Step 3: Calculate estimated life with adjustment factor**

The Life Estimate below shares units with the Life Constant.

\[
\text{Life Estimate} = \left( \frac{L_c}{(L_f)^3} \right)^{A_f}
\]

**WHERE**
- \(L_f\) = Load Factor
- \(L_c\) = Life Constant
- \(A_f\) = Adjustment Factor

**Life Constant \(L_c\)**

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<th>WHEEL SIZE</th>
<th>KILOMETERS OF TRAVEL LIFE</th>
<th>INCHES OF TRAVEL LIFE</th>
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<td>4XL</td>
<td>218</td>
<td>8.58 x 10⁶</td>
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**Adjustment Factor \(A_f\)**

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<th>CONDITIONS</th>
<th>(A_f)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Clean, adequate lubrication, low duty, low shock, low vibration</td>
<td>1.0 – 0.7</td>
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<td>Moderate contamination, medium duty, medium shock, low to medium vibration</td>
<td>0.7 – 0.4</td>
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<td>Heavy contamination, limited lubrication, high duty, high acceleration, medium to high shock, high vibration</td>
<td>0.4 - 0.1</td>
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Components & Accessories
- DualVee®
- MadeWell®
- GV3
- SL2
- PRT2
- HDS2
- HDRT
- MCS
- Motor Mounts
- Gantry Brackets
- Wrenches

Manual Linear Guide Systems
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- HDS2
- MHD
- HTS

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- SteadyRail™
- HDSL
- HDCS
- PDU2
- DAPDU2
- SBD
- PSD
- SDM
- DLS

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- DTS2
- DTS
- DTS+
- ALR
- HDRT
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