

# Control of Linear Motion

Winkel Systems encompass 4 basic categories: Vertical, Multi Axis Systems, Telescoping and Special Purpose Units. Each unit incorporates features and design criteria per the application requirement. Although each System is generally unique, the design basics are similar. Every Winkel unit is robust and provides heavy duty linear motion for demanding applications. Existing designs can be quickly modified to adapt dimensional requirements of the application.

## System Types

### 1. Vertical Lifts (typically floor or base mounted)

- Lift Masts
- Pallet Stackers
- Fast Pick Stations with Wrappers



### 2. Linear & Multi-Axis Systems

- Overhead Gantry with X, Y & Z Control
- 1 & 2 Axis + Rotation



### 3. Telescoping Systems & Forks

- Horizontal Units
- Vertical Units



### 4. Special Purpose Units

- Coil Turning Units
- Tool Changing Units
- Robot Guide Tracks



## 1. Vertical Lifts

### Lift Masts

Winkel Lift Masts are built for loads from 100 lbs to 8 tons. They are built to specification including single, double or four pillar designs. These Lifts are robust and designed for continuous use with minimal maintenance. Standard versions are equipped duplex chains and security switches. Fail safe brakes, locking devices, service platforms and hoists are all optional accessories. The lifting "platform" whether arms, forks or conveyor tables, can be designed to adapt to or be supplied by the customer. Any color combination is possible for matching adjacent equipment. Each can interface to controllers for matching process flow. Each are pre-tested and arrive fully assembled, (as far as shipping may allow) and include full operations manuals.

Belt lifts are also economical and a variety of reinforced belts are available. Position control is an added feature for Belt driven lifts. For more information please contact PTI.



Single Mast Custom Load Tray



Double Mast Belt Lifter



Lifting & Traveling Unit

### Pallet Stackers



4 Pillar Pallet Stacker



Pallet Stacker



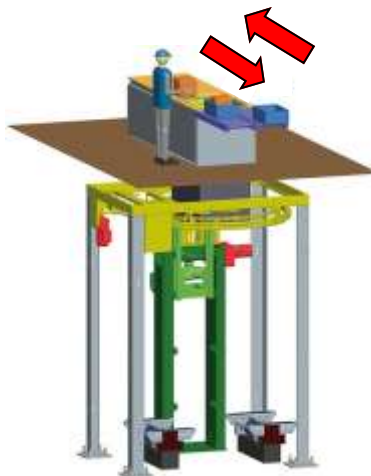
Conveyor Table lifter



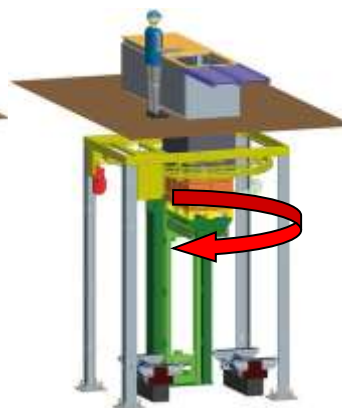
Lifter with Back-Up Drive

### Fast Pick Stations

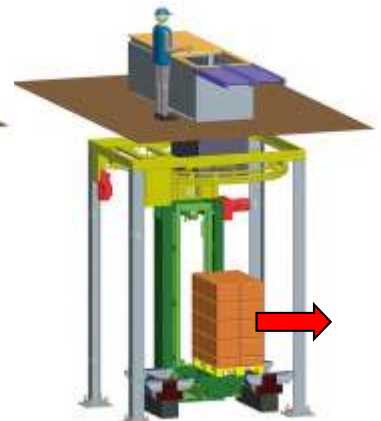
The Fast Pick Station optimizes a Pick / Pack / Wrap operation from a Mezzanine level. Designed for loads to 2860 lbs. Each station can allow up to 800 picks on pallets per hour. A stroke of 20 feet is possible. System is rigid and virtually maintenance free. Multiple in feed positions are possible to optimize packing and work-station station flow.



In Feed for Packing a Variety of Box Sizes



Shrink Wrapping Option after Packing



Wrapped and ready for shipment

## 2. Linear & Multi-Axis Systems

### Overhead Gantry with X, Y & Z Control 1 & 2 Axis Linear plus Rotation

Winkel has designed and manufactured thousands of Linear and Multi-Axis Systems over 3 decades from Automotive Applications to a wide variety of Industrial Material Handling of all sorts. Every System is designed and built to match application requirements. Winkel system experience and proven designs provide for a quick and cost effective design process. Previous systems and be modified to for the application. Depending on position accuracy, a variety of drives are available. Multiple drives (heads) can be incorporated on a single the axis to optimize work station work flow. For instance, additional bridges can be added along the length (or width) depending on the process. Limit or proximity switches are standard for safety control. Design coordination allow adaptation to the users equipment. Any color combination is possible for matching adjacent equipment. Each can interface to controllers for matching process flow. All are pre-tested and arrive fully assembled (as far as shipping may allow) and include full operations manuals. Final assembly and operation set up is available.

CAD or 3D Design templates are available at [www.winkel-bearing.com](http://www.winkel-bearing.com) to help the design process get started (Select "Components" then "Inquiry multi axis systems"). And a faxable application criteria sheet is included within this document to further define system criteria.

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Single Bridge Gantry with X, Y and Z-Axis Control



Dimensions horizontal axis, Type PLE-100 ZS-H, rack and pinion drive for load capacity up to 100 kg, speed to 5 meter per second and repeatability from 0.5mm.



Type DLE Dynamic Linear (Einheit) Unit with Z-Axis Rotation. Loads to 8800 Lbs, speed to 5 meters / sec., high precision.



Type SLE/DLE Multi-Axis Lifter, Load capacity 500Kg, Max speed 1.5 Meters/sec



Vertical Telescoping , work piece handling, load 200kg.



2 Pillar y and Z-Axis Lifter



Lifting  
and  
Turning



### 3. Telescoping Systems & Forks

#### Horizontal Units & Vertical Units

Winkel Telescoping Systems are robust, made for continuous use and require minimal, infrequent maintenance. All lift units are designed with duplex chain or belts with safety devices. Suitable carriages, load frames, or special designed attachments are available on request. Every system can be designed to adapt to the user's requirement. Units available in Stainless and for loads to up to 4.5 tons. Each unit is provided with a complete service manual and delivered as assembled as shipping will allow. Units are designed to interface with system controllers.



Load / Unloading Device with telescopic forks



Vertically Telescoping, Transfer Lift



Horizontal Auto Load Shuttle



Horizontal Load Shuttle



2 Pillar Lifting Unit with Telescoping Forks



Single Mast Lift with Telescoping Forks



Low Profile Work load Shuttle with Telescoping Forks

## 4. Special Purpose Units

### Coil Turning Units Tool Changing Unit Robot Guide Tracks

Winkel has designed and manufactured a wide variety of special purpose units, including Coil Turning Units, Tool Change Shuttles, and Guide Tracks for Robots. A few are shown here and each incorporates Winkel Combined Bearings and profile.

Robot Guide Tracks generally include hardened LM guides or hardened flat bar with hardened rack and pinion drives, polyamide pinion for lubrication of the rack, a central lubrication system, and design repeatability less  $\pm 0.1$  mm, easy floor adjustment, and driving speed over 2m/sec, with converts on request.

Each unit can be designed to fit mounting brackets or tool holders, or other industry recognized flanges. Any color combination is possible for matching adjacent equipment. Each can interface to controllers for matching process flow. All are pre-tested and arrive fully assembled (as far as shipping may allow), and include full operations manuals. Final assembly and operation set up is available.

For more information please contact PTI.



Winkel RLE - Robot Tracks Units are economical linear systems designed and built systems for load capacities up to 2tons of Robot weight.



Robot Tracks, Hardened guides, Travel 2 m/s, repeatability  $\pm 0.1$ mm, Floor leveling/adjustment feature.



Winkel Custom  
Turning unit for  
Welding Operation



5 & 10 Ton Coil Turning Units



Tool changing system with tilting unit, telescopic forks and eccentric lift, load capacity 1 ton



Robot Tracks, Rack & Pinion driven, Heavy Duty



Winkel Custom  
Turning unit

## Systems - Key Features & Timeline

Linear Systems requiring repetitive linear movements, positioning, lifting, or rotational sequencing are all possible with Winkel kinetic designs. Winkel Systems utilize Combined Bearings, Profiles, Gears, Racks, Variable Frequency Drives and/or Gear Motors, and Interface Logic as required by our customers. System possibilities are endless. Reviewing Winkel systems on-line or documented in the catalog of applications may provide some helpful design concepts. PTI needs just basic parameters to get started such as loads, positioning frequency, kinetic requirements, and general dimensional guidelines. Your preliminary concepts are welcomed to further illustrate your need. Existing Winkel designs can often be utilized to provide the basic framework for a new system, saving significant engineering time. Full system set-up support is also available. Winkel designs are engineered for endurance. Full documentation is provided along with the operating manual. Several end-use customers operating with installed Winkel systems are shown on the back.

### Key Features

- ◆ Customized Solutions for Single and Multi-Axis needs.
- ◆ Kinetic Systems are extremely durable, incorporate Steel Profiles and Combined Roller Bearings for Heavy Radial and Axial loads. Vulkollan wheels are available for quiet, high-speed operation. Ideal for process integration and repetitive movements.
- ◆ Rack & Pinion Actuation with SEW Gear Motors & Interface Ready.
- ◆ Thousands of Winkel Systems in use world wide.
- ◆ Virtually maintenance free and extremely durable.
- ◆ Full System Design by Winkel.



X-, Y- & Z-Axis Control

### Timeline Example

Budget Quote:

- ◆ Gather basic parameters & sketches from customer **1-2 Weeks**
- Order Processing (Once Order is Approved):
- ◆ Preliminary Drawings **4-6 Weeks**
- ◆ Final Design **2 Weeks**
- ◆ Drawings & Design Approved by Customer
- ◆ Production **6-8 Weeks**
- ◆ Full Assembly & Test (Customer Visit Welcome) **2 Weeks**
- ◆ Disassembly & Pack for Sea Freight **1 Week**
- ◆ Sea Freight from Germany **4-5 Weeks**
- ◆ Optional: On-Site Installation

*\*Exact timeline depends on scope of project*

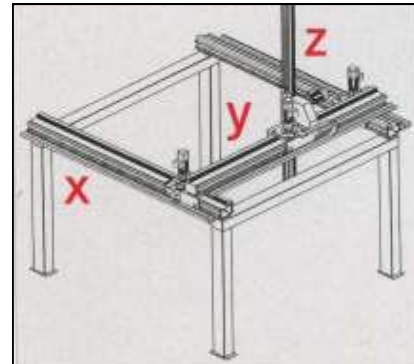
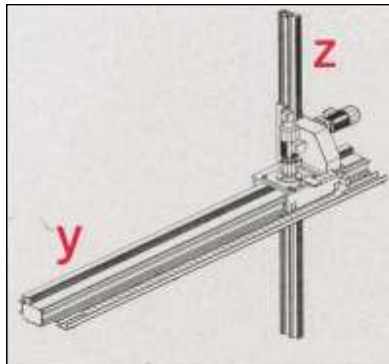
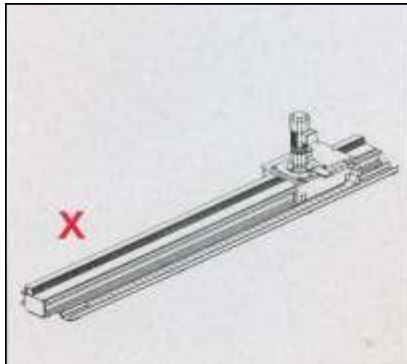


Dual Bridge with X- & Z-Axis Control



## Design Criteria for Multi-Axis Systems

The schematics below represent various axis for movement. When describing the system needs, some basic concepts will identify parameters. For the drive mechanism, the X-axis is typically the long run length. The Y-axis is the width and Z-axis is the vertical stroke. Other helpful criteria is the length (in or mm) of movement or stroke for each axis, speed (in/sec or mm/sec) of the stroke desired, and acceleration (in/sec<sup>2</sup> or mm/sec<sup>2</sup>) if any. Also identify the frequency of stroke in times per hour or per day.



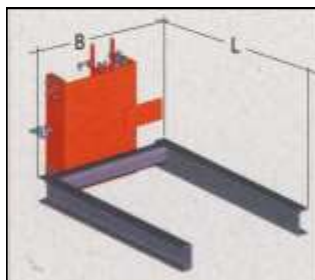
Type of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

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|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Stroke:            | X _____ in or mm                                   | Y _____ in or mm                                   | Z _____ in or mm                                   |
| Speed:             | X _____ in/sec or mm/sec                           | Y _____ in/sec or mm/sec                           | Z _____ in/sec or mm/sec                           |
| Acceleration:      | X _____ in/sec <sup>2</sup> or mm/sec <sup>2</sup> | Y _____ in/sec <sup>2</sup> or mm/sec <sup>2</sup> | Z _____ in/sec <sup>2</sup> or mm/sec <sup>2</sup> |
| Position Accuracy: | X +/- _____ in or mm                               | Y +/- _____ in or mm                               | Z +/- _____ in or mm                               |

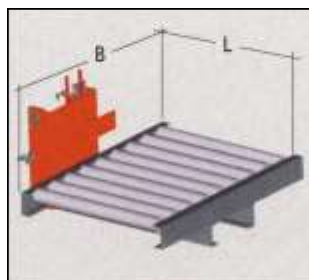
Motor: ☐ AC Motor Frequency Controlled ☐ Servo Load \_\_\_\_\_ Lbs or N Cycle Rate \_\_\_\_\_ cycles/hour

Other: (Ambient Conditions, etc., that may impact function) \_\_\_\_\_

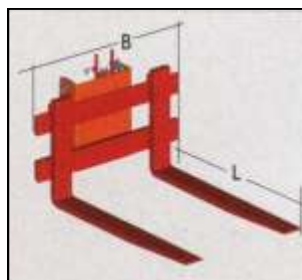
## Criteria for Lift Systems



1. Load Frame



2. Conveyor



3. Frame with Forks

Type 1, 2 or 3 or other (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_

B = \_\_\_\_\_ in or mm L = \_\_\_\_\_ in or mm

Load: \_\_\_\_\_ Load Center: \_\_\_\_\_ Stroke: S = \_\_\_\_\_ in or mm

Max Height of Load Frame: H = \_\_\_\_\_ in or mm

Motor - AC Frequency Controlled or Servo \_\_\_\_\_ Top mount or Floor level \_\_\_\_\_

Lifting Speed: \_\_\_\_\_ ft/sec or m/sec Cycle Rate: \_\_\_\_\_ Cycles Per Hour

Fail Safe Brake: (y/n) \_\_\_\_\_ Lifting Sensors or Proximity Switches: \_\_\_\_\_

Mechanical Locking System: \_\_\_\_\_ Standby By Drive \_\_\_\_\_

Lift Mechanism Type: ☐ Chain ☐ Belt ☐ Rack & Pinion ☐ Hydraulic ☐ Other

Describe Operating Conditions (Surrounding Environment, Temps, Moistures, Contaminants, etc.,

Drawing/Sketch available? ) \_\_\_\_\_

