# **EZ-TEND** MODULAR CNC MACHINE TENDING PLATFORM



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#### WHY AUTOMATION

# DRAMATICALLY IMPROVE YOUR MANUFACTURING POTENTIAL

#### **Output, Efficiency, Flexibility**

In today's fast paced manufacturing environment there are many factors we are competing for and against. There is a real case for why automate, and why automate now.







## **BENEFITS OF AUTOMATION**

# AUTOMATION PROVIDES SOLUTIONS TO YOUR MANUFACTURING NEEDS

The amazing technology in today's automation products allows the manufacturer the ability to leverage his resources to achieve tremendous benefits otherwise not achievable by traditional means.

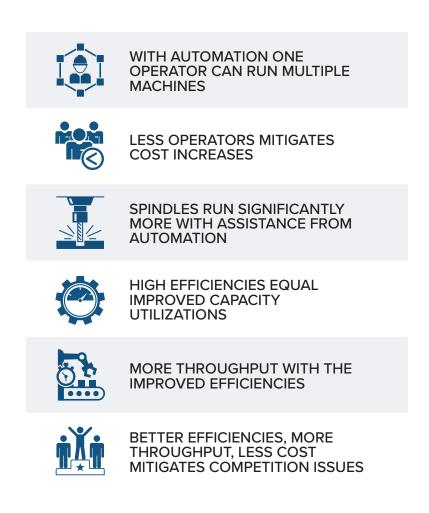


### **INTRODUCING THE EZ-TEND**<sup>™</sup>

# WHY CHOOSE AN EZ-TEND<sup>TM</sup> PLATFORM

# Introducing an approachable, easy-to-use industrial robotic machine tending system

The EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> is an off-the-shelf automation experience. Great for the first time industrial robotic user entry level or the professional wanting of ease of use and setup of industrial robot tending. Customers will also enjoy a very short delivery lead time.

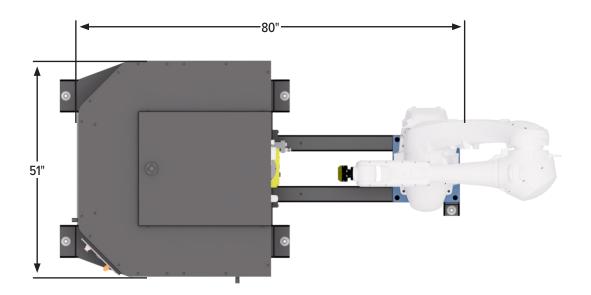








# INTRODUCING THE EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> COMPACT FOOTPRINT





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## **INTRODUCING THE EZ-TEND**<sup>™</sup>

# THE EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> CAN PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING RESULTS:



INCREASE IN SALES



LOWER LABOR COSTS



HIGHER PROFIT MARGINS



FASTER RESPONSE TO FLUCTUATIONS IN DEMAND



LESS PHYSICAL OPERATOR STRAIN

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SMALLER STOCKS



HIGHER PRODUCTION OUTPUT



MORE SPINDLE HOURS

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#### **INTRODUCING THE EZ-TEND**<sup>™</sup>

# **THE EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> PLATFORM**

#### **Designed for Safety and Productivity**

The EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> system uses mechanical design elements to provide protection from interaction with mechanical movement to offer the optimum level of operator safety. Optional state-of-the-art area scanners are available.





# EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> PLATFORM LEVERAGES LEAN PRINCIPLES

The EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> platform takes the application of lean manufacturing to the next level by using robots to tend the CNC machine. Its flexibility and power allow it to service milling and turning centers.

#### FROM 'LEAN MFG' TO 'LEAN TENDING'



LEAN MANUFACTURING



EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup>-LEAN TENDING

#### MILL TENDING WITH OPTION FOR TURNING CENTER



#### EZ-TEND

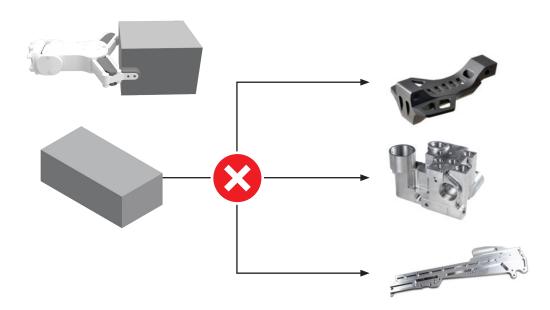
# **HOW EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> SEPARATES ITSELF**

Grabbing workpieces with 2- and 3-jaw grippers, the challenges:

- Grab square/rectangle block
- Perform a machining operation
- No parallel surfaces to grab



Your automation journey starts to get complex, you now need a robot that can change its end of arm tool (EOAT) to accommodate the irregular shape. This is expensive and, in many cases, not possible.

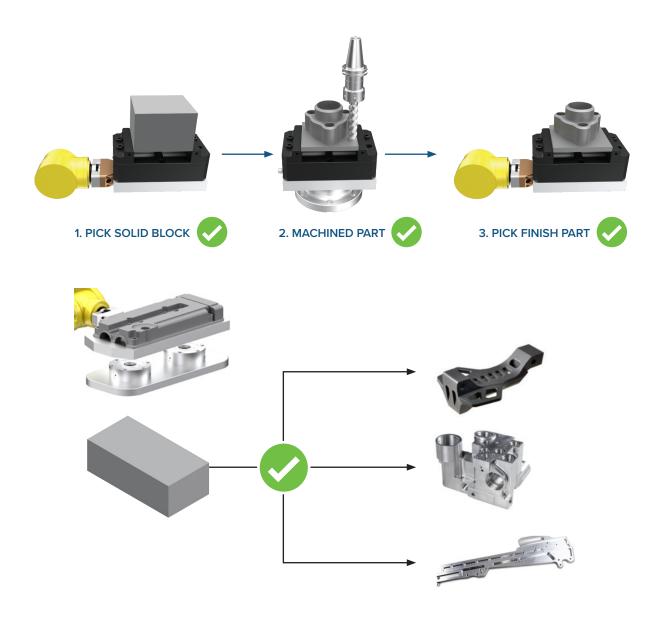




EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> doesn't deal with the changes in part geometry or the workholding issues. It utilizes a proven lean manufacturing technique of grabbing a single point on a pallet and moving the pallet and its contents to its destination...(PLACE).

This approach allows the user to:

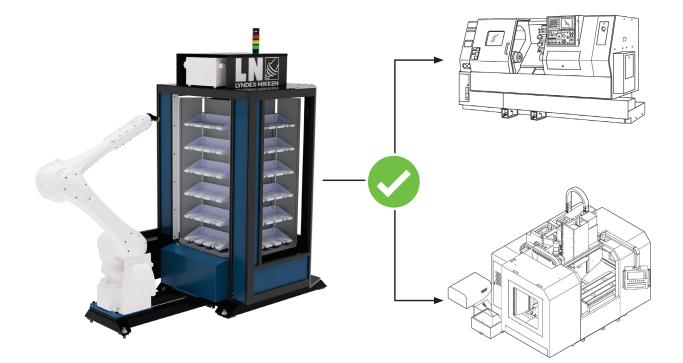
- Machine any shape
- Create part density
- Freely access sides of part as needed



# **EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> MILL-TURN OPTIONS**

#### **TENDING BOTH MILL AND TURNING CENTER**

\*Requires additional hardware

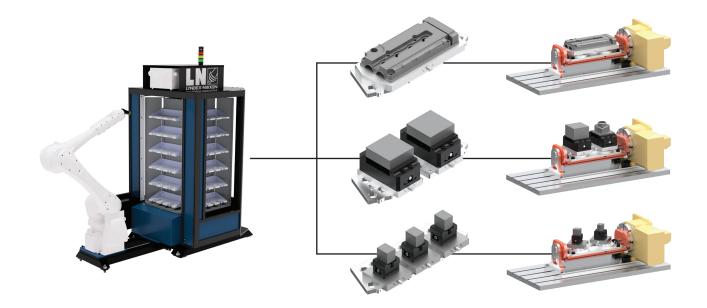


# EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> IS TODAY'S INVESTMENT WITH TOMORROW'S ADAPTABILITY

Lyndex-Nikken EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> systems are built for tending your current machines or new machine installs. The EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> can be deployed in front of a milling or turning center. Should your work requirements change, the EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> system can be reconfigured and redeployed as needed.



#### **MILLING CENTER: PICK AND PLACE POSITIONS**



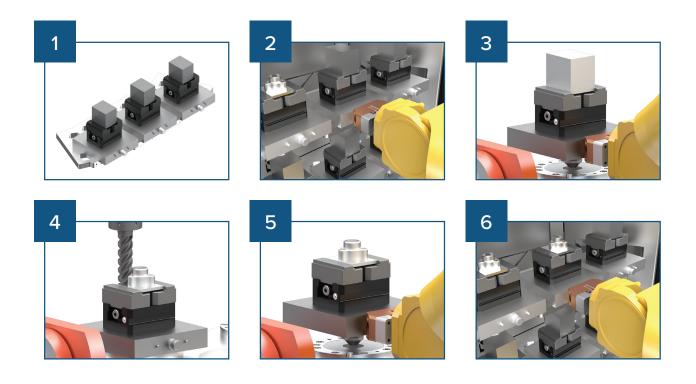
The power of the EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> lies in the preconfigured pick and place positions. No robot programming required.

- Three options to pick from
- Multiple pallet sizes to accommodate wide range of work pieces
- Palletize allow for high-low mix quick change over
- Single point drop off for use on 5th axis machine or trunnion
- Double point drop off for lean process
- +45/-45 drop off for 5 planes machining without the need of a 5-axis equipment



# **EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> PROCESS FLOW**

#### **MILL TENDING CYCLE**



#### **ROBOT PICK AND PLACE PROCESS**

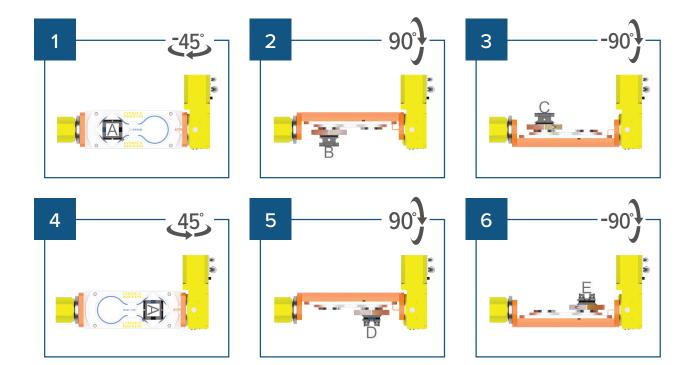
- 1 Build/load pallets
- 2 Pick pallet from shelf
- 3 Place pallet in receiver system
- 4 Machine part
- **5** Remove part from receiver
- 6 Return it to the EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> tower



# **EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> 5-SIDED MACHINING**

#### **5-SIDED TENDING CYCLE**

\*Requires trunnion



#### **ROBOT PICK AND PLACE PROCESS**

- 1 Place at -45 left-hand position. Machine surface A and perimeter
- 2 Rotate A-axis to +90. Machine surface B
- 3 Rotate A-axis to -90. Machine surface C
- 4 Move pallet to +45 right-hand position
- 5 Rotate A-axis to +90. Machine surface D
- 6 Rotate A-axis to -90. Machine surface E



#### EZ-TEND

# **USER-FRIENDLY HMI**



## **HOW IT WORKS**

The EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> system's HMI (Human Machine Interface) is designed for ease of use. Its intent is to allow a non-robot programmer to create a pick and place routine using a word-based button menu. This simplicity is the EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> system's power.





# **USER-FRIENDLY HMI**

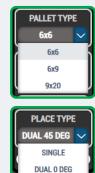


#### **EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> HOME SCREEN**

- Simplified user interface
- Word-based buttons for menus
- Main screen gives access to all functions

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#### **EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> TOWER PICK AND PLACE SELECTION SCREEN**



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#### PALLET SIZE:

#### • 6x6

- 6x9
- 9x20

#### PLACE TYPE:

- Placement\* +/-45 Single 
  Single Position 5-Axis Placement

**PLACE OPTIONS:** 

Dual Neutral

Placement

• +/-45 Single

Neutral Placement

\*Rotary & Trunnion Required

#### **EZ-TEND<sup>™</sup> TOWER FACE AND** SHELF SELECTION SCREEN

#### **SELECT SIDE:**

• A, B, C, D

#### **SELECT SHELVES:**

#### **PRESS START:**

**START** 

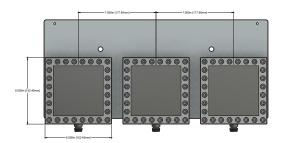
- 1–6
- Enable side

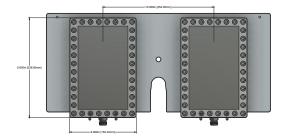
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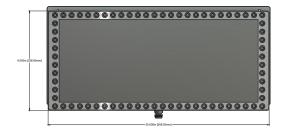
# **TECHNICAL SPECS/REQUIREMENTS**

#### The right setup for the job

The EZ-Tend<sup>™</sup> can handle an array of pallet configurations



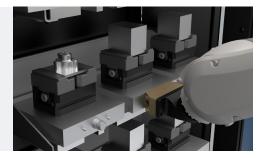




- Small to medium parts
- Workpieces 5.250 x 6 x 6
- Workholding direct 6 x 6 x 6
- Pallet payload 38#'s max
- Dual positioned
- Small to medium parts
- Workpieces 6 x 9
- Workholding direct 6 x 6 x 9
- Pallet payload 38#'s max
- Dual positioned
- Large parts
- Workpieces 5.250 x 9 x 20
- Pallet payload 33#'s
- Single position



End of Arm Tooling (EOAT) grabbing an empty pallet >





# **INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS**

#### Machine essentials to know

Decisions must be made in order to best use the capabilities of the EZ-Tend™



#### **EZ-TEND**<sup>™</sup>

- Forklift (5000 lbs. capacity)
- Safety Cage (per machine dimension)
- Power (200-240V, 50-60 Hz)
- Air (100 psi)

#### **CNC MACHINE**

- Autodoor (OEM or aftermarket)
- Fixtures:
- Zero Point Receiver (2 units)
- 4th Axis Trunnion (optional)
- Fixture Build Plan
- Robot Interface:
  - Ethernet Interface-Robot Options
- Discrete I/O's (input/output)

# **OTHER AUTOMATION SOLUTIONS**



#### See other EZ-Automation solutions on our website



EZ-AUTOCART Easily Automate CNC Machine Tending



EZ-COB CNC Machine Loading Automation Solution



**EZ-BOT** Automatic Work Changer for 5-Axis CNC Machine

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#### **ABOUT US**

At Lyndex-Nikken, we have made it our mission to provide the two most important points to keep you ahead of the competition: advanced technology and the innovation to keep it moving forward. In addition to manufacturing the best machine tool accessories available on the market, our team of highly experienced technicians and product specialists offers unmatched customer service and engineering support to our customers worldwide.



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