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CUBIC AUTOMATION IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEY WILL SOON BE OFFERING THE NEW FANUC CR-351A COLLABORATIVE ROBOT.

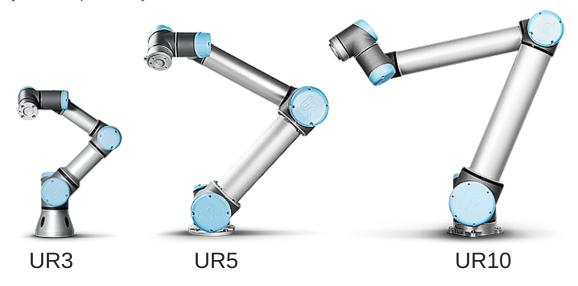
The robot, lovingly referred to as the "Green Fanuc", will be the first collaborative model created by Fanuc, the world's largest industrial robotics company. It will be a great addition to Cubic's existing lineup.



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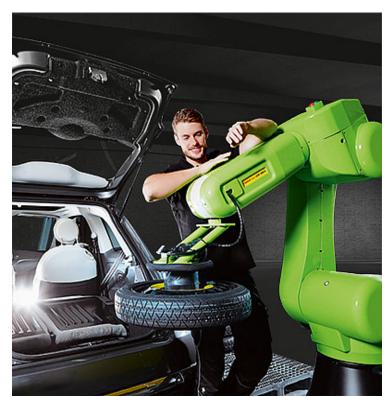
Available Universal Robots

Cubic currently offers 3 models of collaborative robots from Universal Robots: UR 3, UR 5 and UR 10. The URs are rated at 3, 5 and 10 kg payload respectively. The UR10 has maximum reach of 4 ft.



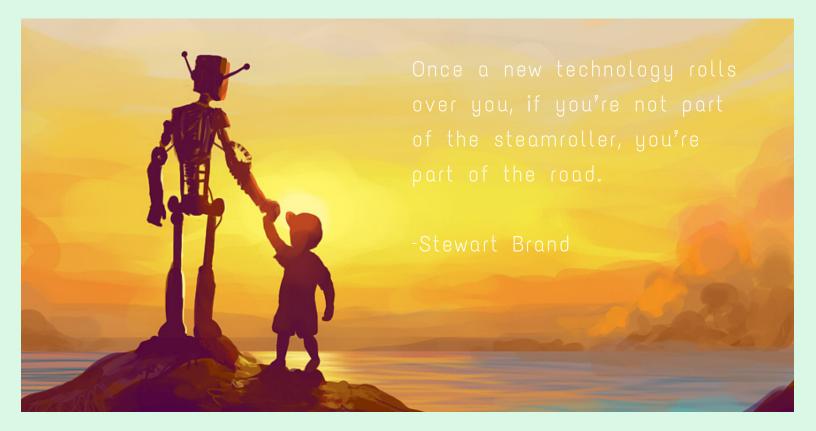
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In contrast, Fanuc CR-35iA is the world's strongest collaborative robot with a 35 kg payload and a reach of 6 ft. This will allow robotic integration in the manufacturing of car rims, larger valves and gears, as well as adding versatility in palletizing and packaging finished products.









What is a collaborative robot?

The first criteria of a collaborative robot is that it must be able to perform a safety monitor stop. This is a function that continuously monitors forces, and if contact is made with a fixed object or human, a stop is immediately triggered. This allows the robot to be used without a safety cage.

Second, the robot should have hand guidance. Instead of pressing buttons on a teach pendant, the user should be able to guide the robot by hand in an intuitive way. This speeds up training time and allows quick re-deployment of the robot for different tasks.

Call Cubic Automation today to discuss how a collaborative robot can clear bottlenecks for shop. Next, a collaborative robot should maintain an awareness of its proximity to humans in its surrounding area and be able to adjust the speed of its movements accordingly.