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## Maximizing robot ROI through 7<sup>th</sup> axisenabled collaboration

While the majority of robots feature six axes of motion, adding a seventh simplifies the transport of a single robot to multiple locations, functioning as robot transfer units. Significantly boosting production and workflow, the 7th axis makes a strong business case for the capital investment of a robot.



A recent article (also published in *Design World*) covers the benefits of a 7th axis, including collision detection, an extended operating range and advanced programming capabilities, and looks at some of the applications in which human-robot collaboration can be advantageous.

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