# **LEGEX 500/700/900/1200**



**Bulletin No. 2099** 

Legex - the ultimate ultra-high accuracy coordinate measuring machine in the world. Produced by combining Mitutoyo's long experience in the field of high-precision metrology and machining with state-of-the-art technologies in design, electronics, computing, sensors and materials.



# Designed for Premium Performance and Exceptionally Low Measuring Uncertainty.

High-speed traverse: 7.87"/s (200mm/s)

Ultimate accuracy: MPE<sub>E</sub> =  $(0.35+L/1000)\mu m^*$ 

\*Legex12128: (0.6+1.5L/1000)µm

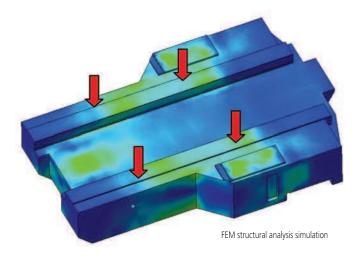
Wide operating temperature range: 64.4°F to 71.6°F (18°C to 22°C)



# **Premium Performance**



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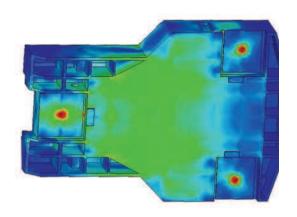
#### **BASE DESIGN**

#### **High rigidity**

The base of the Legex is made from special spheroidal graphite ductile cast iron to a sealed-structure design that provides high rigidity and vibration attenuating characteristics. Mitutoyo engineers used FEM analysis during the design phase to optimize the final configuration and ensure outstanding geometric accuracy by minimizing deformations caused by normal machine operation.

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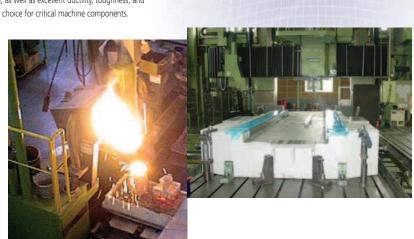
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#### Spheroidal graphite ductile cast iron

Regular cast iron (gray iron) is a ferroalloy that includes carbon, silicon, manganese, phosphorus, and sulfur, in which the carbon is precipitated as flakes in the ferrite or pearlite material, whereas ductile cast iron is made by adding magnesium and other elements which precipitates the carbon in spherical form instead and results in an ideal material for making castings free of cavities and pin holes (defects) of .004" (0.1mm) and larger.

Ductile cast iron has high hardness, close to that of steel, as well as excellent ductility, toughness, and wear-resistance characteristics, making it the material of choice for critical machine components.

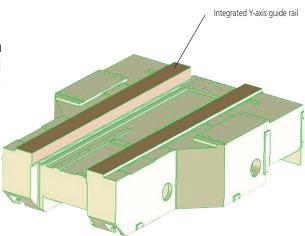


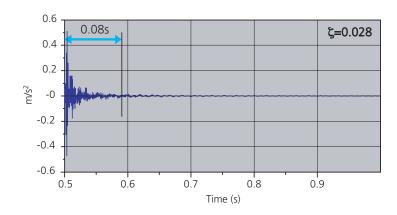


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#### Integrated Y-axis guide rail

The ceramic-plasma coated Y-axis guide rail is cast as an integral part of the base to improve rigidity and thermal stability. This design feature practically eliminates distortion due to changing machine temperatures.

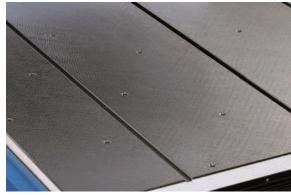




#### **Attenuation characteristics**

The Legex quickly attenuates traverse-induced vibrations and so reduces any adverse effect on measurements. This characteristic also allows ultra-high scanning accuracy to be realized.

#### WORKTABLE



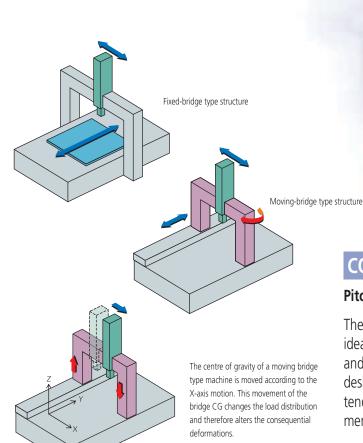
Standard hand-flake finished worktable

The standard worktable is hand-flake finished but an easy maintenance, ceramic-coated worktable is available as an option.



Optional ceramic-coated worktable

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#### **CONSTRUCTION**

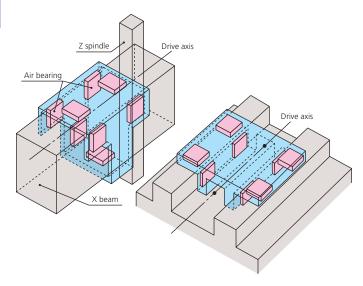
#### Pitch and yaw errors eliminated

The Legex uses a fixed-bridge type structure. This is the ideal CMM architecture and virtually eliminates pitch and yaw errors. Most other CMMs use a moving-bridge design with a single drive unit under the column, which tends to cause yawing and pitching during slide movements.

#### **DYNAMIC ACCURACY**

## X- and Y-axis independence and a 'center of gravity' type drive system

The fixed-bridge design of the Legex allows the axes to operate totally independently. Movement of the X-axis slide does not change the loading on the Y-axis slide, and so does not cause deformation. Also, the 'center of gravity' type drive system places the drive units near the center of gravity of each slide. This feature allows very high speed, highly accurate measurements by reducing inertia-induced deflections during acceleration and deceleration.





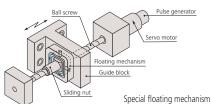
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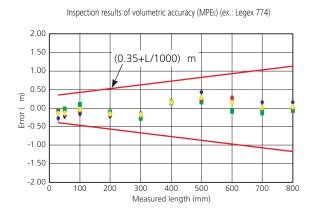
#### Floating mechanism reduces internal vibration

To reduce the effects of internally generated vibration, the Legex uses a special floating mechanism to couple each ballscrew to its guide block. This isolates the slide from the servo motor as it turns the ballscrew and thus prevents transmission of motor vibrations, especially during acceleration and deceleration.

Air-damped spring isolaters



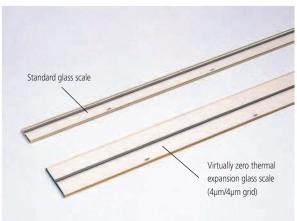
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#### **LENGTH STANDARD**

## Linear glass scales with virtually zero thermal expansion coefficient

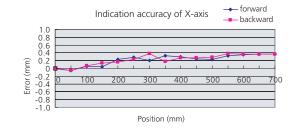
The Legex is equipped with a new crystallized-glass scale with a resolution of 0.01µm and an ultra-low linear expansion coefficient of 0.01 x 10-6/K. This virtually zero thermal expansion coefficient means the Legex can maintain its extreme accuracy in spite of thermal changes. The scales are also mounted in a unique way that reduces the hysteresis error to 1/5 that of previous models. The inspection chart right shows the hysteresis error that results from this new mounting method.

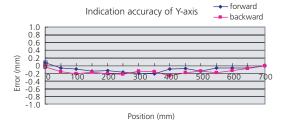


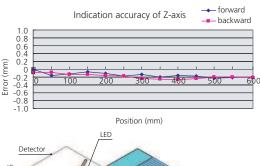
#### **TEMPERATURE COMPENSATION**

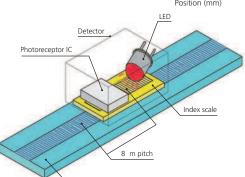
## Effective over the 64.4°F to 71.6°F (18°C to 22°C) temperature range

While conventional very high accuracy CMMs require fairly strict temperature controlled environments, the Legex has been designed to improve the thermal stability of each component to minimize deformation. In addition, temperature sensors on each axis and for the workpiece itself detect temperature changes in real time and are used to compensate back to 68°F (20°C).



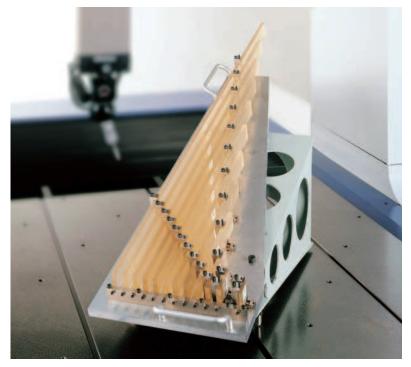








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## CRYSTALLIZED-GLASS STANDARD - optional -

#### Minimizing external thermal influence at calibration

Thermal insensitivity is also critical to the calibration of high-end machines like a Legex. Mitutoyo offers a special calibration standard that uses crystallized-glass gauge blocks with a thermal expansion coefficient of 0.08 x 10<sup>-6</sup>/K - the same material as used for the linear glass scales. Using this standard prevents calibration error caused by ambient temperature fluctuations. All gauge blocks in the standard are measured by interferometer to 0.0000003" (0.00001mm) resolution in Mitutoyo's Accredited Calibration Laboratory (JCSS No. 0030).

#### **TEMPERATURE STABILIZED**

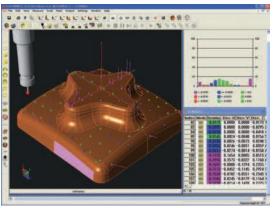
#### - optional -

#### Temperature-stabilized air supply

Generally speaking, temperature compensation and thermally insensitive materials can widen the usable range of ambient temperature and gradients. To eliminate a common source of temperature variation, the Legex is also available with a special air-server. In addition to the standard air cleaning and drying functions, this air server can stabilize the temperature of air drawn from the factory air supply to 68°F±0.18°F (20°C±0.1°C). In combination with the machine-enclosure design and thermally insensitive glass scales, temperature-stabilized air supplied to the air bearings can produce the exceptional thermal isolation needed for low measuring uncertainties. This air supply is also used for the MPP-300 probe to provide stabilized scanning.

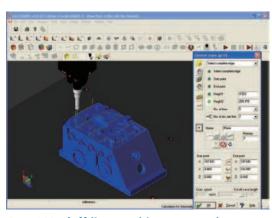


## **Application Software**



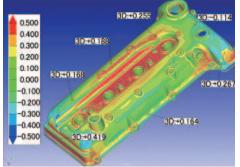
#### **CAT1000S** (freeform surface evaluation program)

Checks and compares the workpiece with the CAD data containing freeform surfaces and directly outputs the results in the form of CAD data in various formats. Software to directly convert from/to various types of CAD data is available as an option.



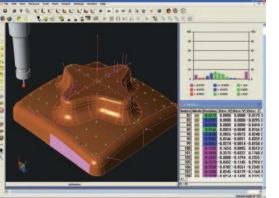
#### **CAT1000P** (off-line teaching program)

This module enables the user to use CAD data and on-screen simulation to create parts programs for making automated measurements (off-line teaching). This module allows the user to begin creating a parts program as soon as the design data has been finalized, shortening the entire process.



#### MSURF (non-contact laser measurement and evaluation program)

MSURF-S is used for obtaining measured point cloud data with the SurfaceMeasure (non-contact laser probe), while MSURF-I is used for comparing this data with the master model data, and for making dimensional measurements. Furthermore, MSURF-G for offline teaching allows the user to create a measurement macro even without the actual workpiece, improving the measuring machine's uptime.







## Software



## GEOPAK (high-functionality general-purpose measurement program)

This module is the heart of the MCOSMOS software system and is used to measure and analyze geometric elements. All the functions are provided by icons or pull-down menus, so even novices can promptly select desired functions. Its main features include easier viewing of measuring procedures and results such as realtime graphic display of measurement results and a function for direct call-up of elements from results graphics.

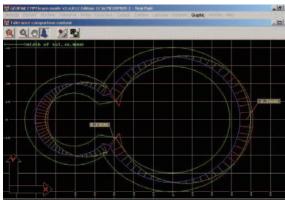


## SurfaceMeasure606 (non-contact laser probe)

Lightweight, high-performance, non-contact probe developed for CNC coordinate measuring machines. Powder spray-less measurement has been achieved through automatic setting of appropriate laser intensity and camera sensitivity according to environment or material, providing a simpler and more comfortable laser scanning environment.

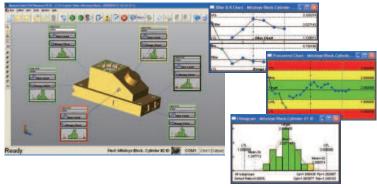






#### **SCANPAK** (contour measurement program)

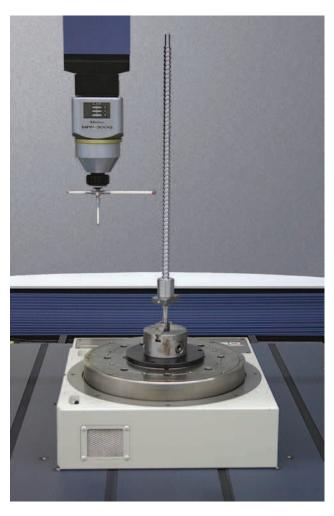
Software for scanning and evaluating workpiece contours (2D). Evaluates contour tolerance between measurement data and design data, and performs various types of element and inter-element calculations based on a desired range of measurement data specified by the user.



### MeasurLink STATMeasure Plus (statistical-processing and process-controlling program)

Performs various types of statistical computations using measurement results. In addition, by displaying a control diagram on a real-time basis, this program allows defects that may occur in the future (e.g., wearing or damaging of cutting tools) to be discovered early on. This program can also be linked to a higher-level network environment to build a central control system.

### **Probes and accessories**



#### **MRT320**

The Legex can be used with the MRT320 rotary table as the 4th axis. It is very efficient for gear, cylinder cam and impeller measurements.

#### **Specifications:**

Table diameter: 12.60" (320mm)
Resolution: 1/10000 degree
Maximum workpiece load: 220 lbs. (100kg)

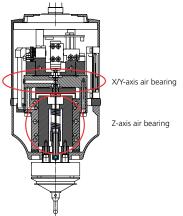
#### **MPP-300Q**

Mitutoyo's MPP-300Q probe can be used for point-to-point measuring and continuous scanning applications. If the workpiece requires the maximum accuracy, the MPP-300Q can offer 'zero-point' data acquisition for statistical measurement. In this mode the MPP-300Q obtains the measurement data after all the CMM slides have come to a complete standstill. This statistical measurement is intended to eliminate dynamic effects on measurement.

#### **Specifications:**

Resolution: 0.01µm
Measuring Force: 0.20N/mm
Maximum Stylus Length: 200mm

• Maximum Stylus Weight (Total): 75g









Point-to-point measurement



## **Probes**



#### MPP-10

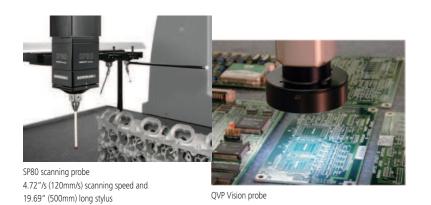
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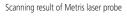


### Probes

The Legex supports a wide range of probes to cover all your measurement applications.

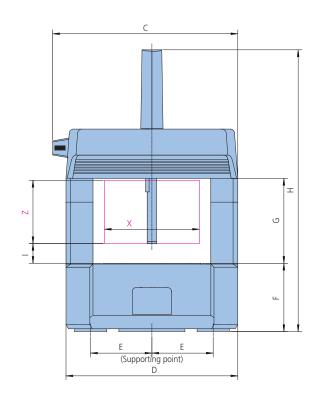




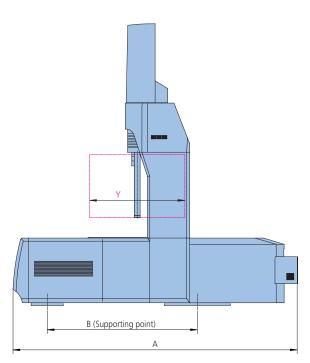


## **Technical Data**

## Dimensions



#### Legex 500/700/900/1200

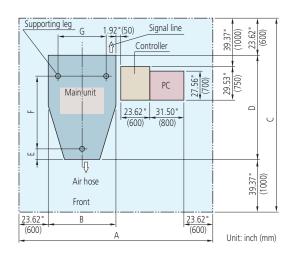


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Legex 574	19.68"	27.55"	17.71"	99.99"	54.72"	62.44"	56.53"	17.51"	25.07"	29.36"	102.16"	10.07"
	500mm	700mm	450mm	2540mm	1390mm	1586mm	1436mm	445mm	637mm	746mm	2595mm	256mm
Legex 774	27.55"	27.55"	17.71"	102.20"	55.51"	73.07"	66.37"	21.65"	23.22"	29.33"	101.77"	9.68"
	700mm	700mm	450mm	2596mm	1410mm	1856mm	1686mm	550mm	590mm	745mm	2585mm	246mm
Legex 776	27.55"	27.55"	23.62"	102.20"	55.51"	73.07"	66.37"	21.65"	23.22"	35.23"	113.58"	10.51"
	700mm	700mm	600mm	2596mm	1410mm	1856mm	1686mm	550mm	590mm	895mm	2885mm	267mm
Legex 9106	35.43"	39.36"	23.62"	125.98"	70.66"	80.94"	74.25"	26.08"	28.42"	35.62"	119.29"	10.27"
	900mm	1000mm	600mm	3200mm	1795mm	2056mm	1886mm	662.5mm	722mm	905mm	3030mm	261mm
Legex 12128	47.24"	47.24"	31.49"	142.59"	75.19"	92.75"	86.06"	30.70"	34.25"	42.55"	141.33	10.07"
	1200mm	1200mm	800mm	3622mm	1910mm	2356mm	2186mm	780mm	870mm	1081mm	3590mm	256mm



# **Technical Data**

### Floor layout





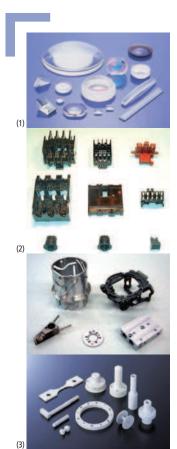
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Legex 574	160.87"	56.54"	154.92"	91.93"	14.49"	54.72"	35.04"
	4086mm	1436mm	3935mm	2335mm	368mm	1390mm	890mm
Legex 774	170.71"	66.38"	155.51"	92.52"	13.39"	56.30"	44.09"
	4336mm	1686mm	3950mm	2350mm	340mm	1430mm	1120mm
Legex 776	170.71"	66.38"	155.51"	92.52"	13.39"	56.30"	44.09"
	4336mm	1686mm	3950mm	2350mm	340mm	1430mm	1120mm
Legex 9106	178.58"	74.25"	179.13"	116.14"	12.80"	71.46"	51.97"
	4336mm	1886mm	4550mm	2950mm	325mm	1815mm	1320mm
Legex 12128	190.39"	86.06"	205.59"	142.60"	17.13"	75.20"	61.42"
	4836mm	2186mm	5222mm	3622mm	435mm	1910mm	1560mm

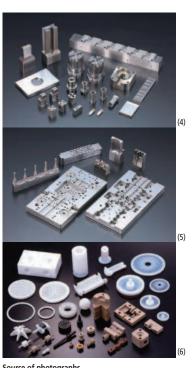
### **Specifications**

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Measuring range	X axis	19.68"(500mm)	27.55"(700mm)	27.55"(700mm)	35.43"(900mm)	47.24"(1200mm)			
	Y axis	27.55"(700mm)	27.55"(700mm)	27.55"(700mm)	39.36"(1000mm)	47.24"(1200mm)			
	Z axis	17.71"(450mm)	17.71"(450mm)	23.62"(600mm)	23.62"(600mm)	31.49"(800mm)			
Measurement standard		Ultra-high precision linear encoder							
Resolution		0.00000039" (0.01μm)							
Accuracy	E <sub>0,MPE</sub>	(0.35+L/1000)µr	(0.6+1.5L/1000)µm						
(ISO 10360-2:2009)*	P <sub>FTU,MPE</sub>	0.00001772" (0.45μm)							
Guide method		Air bearings on each axis							
Maximum drive speed		7.87"/s (200mm/s)							
Maximum acceleration		39.37"/s² (1000mm/s²)							
Worktable Material		Cast iron (ceramic coating: optional)							
	Working area	21.65"x29.52" (550x750mm)	29.52"x29.52" (750x750mm)	29.52"x29.52" (750x750mm)	37.40"x41.33" (950x1050mm)	49.21"x49.21" (1250x1250mm)			
	Tapped inserts	M8x1.25mm (for worpiece clamping)							
Maximum workpiece hei	ght	27.79"(706mm)	27.40"(696mm)	34.13"(867mm)	33.89"(861mm)	41.57"(1056mm)			
Maximum worktable load (Exclusive extreme offset		440lbs (200kg)	1,102lbs (500kg)	1,102lbs (500kg)	1,763lbs (800kg)	2,204lbs (1000kg)			
Air —	ssure	58 PSI (0.4MPa)							
Requirements Cor	nsumption	4.23CFM (120L/min) under normal conditions							
Air source Mass		5.65CFM (160L/min)  7,716lbs (3500kg)							

<sup>\*</sup>MPP-300Q probe (Legex 500/700/900/1200)

Temperature Range: 64.4°F – 71.6°F (18°C – 22°C), Variation 0.9°F (0.5°C)/hour, 1.8°F (1.0°C)/day, Gradient 1.8°F (1.0°C)/m





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