TECHNOLOGY

The PROFILEMASTER SPS system is based on the laser triangulation principle using four up to eight light-section sensors. Each sensor consists of a laser transmitter and an industrial CMOS camera. The sensors are arranged in an octagonal metrology to obtain complete information about the product shape. The optics of the point laser emitter contain a cylindrical lens that generates a line. The CMOS cameras extract the position of the laser line internally using a peak detection algorithm, resulting in a sub-pixel resolution that enables high acquisition speeds.

Thanks to its unique concept, precise and reliable measurements are guaranteed for virtually any shape, regardless of torsion. Likewise, an advanced software toolbox is available for measurements such as angles, widths, thicknesses, radii, depths, distances, diameters or deviation from the nominal value. The profile shapes can be easily imported using existing DXF files.

Advantages – Main Features
- With 4 up to 8 cameras, any shape can be captured and measured
- Real-time monitoring of complex profiles
- Roundness/polygonality mode of round products
- Surface fault detection (SFD) thanks to high sampling rate
- High sampling rate up to 1000/second
- Compilation of a 3D model thanks to high sampling rate
- Highly accurate measurements
- Detects process problems in an early stage
- Reliable operation in harsh mill conditions up to 1200° C
- Simple cleaning, short maintenance
- Logging of all production data for QC department
- Network capability with a higher-level system
- Eliminates the need for subsequent manual measurements

MEASURING PRINCIPLE

The measuring principle is based on 2D laser triangulation respectively light-sectioning technology. Four or more lasers illuminate the product surface and the associated matrix cameras capture the light contour from an oblique angle. A powerful and fast computer and the PROFILEMASTER software combine the captured segments into an orthogonal profile cross-section.

Case Study:
Significant cost savings are achievable due to fast and precise measurement of profiles in hot condition. Our customer shared statistical data about his production with us:

The technical down time has been reduced by 2% with the help of the PROFILEMASTER SPS system. The biggest savings are achieved while setting up the rolling stands during product changes. The advantage of contour measurement makes it possible to bring the product into the desired tolerance more quickly. Thus, it takes less time and scrap to set up the products which results in extra production capacity:

The customer’s PROFILEMASTER SPS system was installed in March 2017. Since the commissioning, the customer was able to generate extra production. Over 21 months, our customer achieved extra sales worth 3 Mio. € due to the use of PROFILEMASTER SPS system. For this case, the ROI (return of investment) was achieved in a couple of months only!

ROI CALCULATION EXAMPLE
IN-LINE REBAR MEASUREMENT

Our Rebar Software option allows the measurement of the characteristic dimensions of a Rebar product. It works within the standard PROFILEMASTER software during in-line production (hot or cold).

The rebar algorithm generates a section profile consisting of an inner and an outer contour on which measurements can be applied:

This process is repeated all along the bar. The characteristics can be plotted as a function of the length as strip charts. The following example shows the rib height (mm/in.) along the product length (m/in.):

The results can be stored in the PROFILEMASTER Data Base for later analysis (process/quality control).

Thanks to the multi-strand capabilities of Profilemaster rebars can be measured in parallel on up to 4 strands:

Typical/characteristic dimensions:

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**DIMENSIONS SPS SYSTEM**

![Diagram of PRODUCTMASTER SPS 50-Sx/80-Sx/100-Sx/150-Nx with specifications]

**PRODUCTMASTER SPS 50-Sx/80-Sx/100-Sx/150-Nx**

- **Measuring unit**
  - Model: PROFILEMASTER SPS 50-Sx/80-Sx/100-Sx/150-Nx
  - **Number of cameras**: 4...8
  - **Measuring field**: Round: ø 50 mm (1.79 in.)
  - **Largest product dimensions** (depends on worst case off-centre position):
    - Round: ø 45 mm or Square: 32 x 32 mm (ø 1.77 in. or 1.26 x 1.26 in.)
    - Round: ø 72 mm or Square: 51 x 51 mm (ø 2.83 in. or 2 x 2 in.)
    - Round: ø 90 mm or Square: 64 x 64 mm (ø 3.54 in. or 2.52 x 2.52 in.)
    - Round: ø 135 mm or Square: ø 95 x 95 mm (ø 5.31 in. or 3.75 x 3.75 in.)
  - **Min. object diameter**: ø 5 mm (0.2 in.)
  - **Scanning frequency**: up to 1 KHz
  - **Display resolution**: 0.001 mm (0.00004 in.)
  - **Repeatability (1σ)**: 0.002 mm (0.000078 in.)
  - **Accuracy, typically within**: +/- 0.010 mm (+/- 0.00039 in.)
  - **Product temperature**: max. 1200 °C (2192 °F)
  - **Ambient temperature**: Operating: -20...+45 °C (-4...113 °F), Transport/Storage: -20...+60 °C (-4...140 °F)

- **Local processing and operation unit (LPO)**
- **Processing and display unit (CPO)**
- **Blower unit**
- **Cooling unit**
- **To be supplied by the customer**
  - 3-phase (and 1-phase) power supply, compressed air, cooling water

**System Components**

- **Profile measuring system**
- **PROFILMASTER SPS 50-Sx/80-Sx/100-Sx/150-Nx**
- **Control cabinet with basic control buttons**
- **Industrial computer with latest operating system and screen**
- **Purging air supply for the laser/camera windows**
- **Chilled water for inside conditioning of the measuring unit**

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**Specifications**

- Dimensions in mm (inch)
- Product guides must not be fixed on the measuring unit
- Approximate weight: 190 kg (419 lbs.)