

More Precision

confocalDT // Confocal chromatic measurement system



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System design

The confocalDT confocal chromatic measurement system includes a controller and a sensor connected via a fibre optic cable. Due to a user-friendly web interface, the entire configuration process is carried out without using any additional software.

The range of sensors comprises the universally applicable IFS2405 sensors and the IFS2402 / IFS2403 miniature sensors. With these miniature sensors, geometrical features can be measured inside narrow holes and recesses. Furthermore, the IFS2406 sensors are uses for vacuum applications.

Special features

The controller provides an excellent signal-to-noise ratio and enables high precision measurement. The fast surface compensation regulates the exposure cycles in order to achieve high signal stability. In contrast to systems using an oscillating lens, confocalDT is entirely wear-free. The sensors are designed for passive measurements and do not need any electrical components. They do not give off heat, which makes them suitable for use in sensitive environments. The unique measuring principle enables high precision displacement and distance measurements – including on diffuse and reflecting surfaces. With transparent measurement objects, thickness measurement is possible.



The web interface for controller configuration opens via Ethernet.

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- Measure inside bores and cavities from ø4.5mm
- Robust steel case
- Axial or radial (90°) measuring direction
- Displacement and position measurement



Precise confocal sensors

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- Compact sensors with large offset
- Displacement and position measurement and one-sided thickness measurement of transparent materials and multi-layers
- Extreme high spatial resolution
- for microscopic surface profiling



High-End Controller

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- IFC2471 high-speed applications
- with a measuring rate up to 70kHz
- Excellent signal-to-noise ratio
- Fast surface compensation due to exposure time regulation
- Thickness calibration for precise thickness measurement

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- Hybrid sensors ø8m
- Displacement and position measurement and one-sided thickness measurement of transparent materials and multi-layers
- Robust steel case
- Gradient index lens with relay optics
- Axial or radial (90°) measuring direction



Confocal sensors (vacuum compatible)

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- Sensors with axial or radial beam path
- Displacement and position measurement and one-sided thickness measurement of transparent materials and multi-layers
- Very small measurement spot size
- Submicrometer resolution
- Vacuum applications



Controller for measuring rates up to 25kHz Page 16 - 17

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- Controller with integrated light source
- High-performance optical components
- Fast surface compensation due to exposure time regulation
- Thickness calibration for precise thickness measurement





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The confocal measuring principle

Polychromatic white light is focused onto the target surface by a multilens optical system. The lenses are arranged so that the white light is dispersed into a monochromatic light by controlled chromatic aberration. A specific distance to the target is assigned to each wavelength by a factory calibration. Only the wavelength which is exactly focused on the target is used for the measurement. This light reflected from the target surface is passed through a confocal aperature onto a spectrometer which detects and processes the spectral changes.



Displacement and intensity measurement

Another option, in addition to displacement measurement, is to perform measurements using signal intensity. Intensity evaluations are particularly well suited for capturing even the finest structures. The adjacent example shows a measurement for a planed surface. Intensity evaluations help to display areas that cannot be detected using distance measurements.







Planar surface

Displacement





Thickness measurement of transparent material

The unique measuring principle enables one-sided thickness measurement of transparent materials such as glass. The material thickness is detected to micrometer accuracy using just one single sensor. The controller provides a comprehensive materials database that is editable and expandable via the web interface. The evaluation of up to 6 peaks enables measurements of multi-layer objects such as laminated glass.



Cavity inspection

The miniaturised IFS2402 and IFS2403 sensors include a 90°-version which is ideal for detecting grooves or inner wall features of small gaps and cavities.



Diameter of stainless steel pipes





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IFS2402-0.4/1.5/4/10

The miniaturised series optoNCDT 2402 offers all advantages of the confocal measurement principle, with only 4mm outer diameter. Due to a unique and patented lens design, this compact sensor allows measuring in narrow cavities and bores. Sensors with axial measuring direction and sensors with 90° beam exit are available, which can measure radially in small cavities and bores. For mounting in magnetic environments sensors with titanium housing are available.



Diameter measurement in small bores with IFS2402/90 sensors

cable θ2.1 strain-relief housing lense θ1.8 steel housing θ4 voi yei biologie Tolerance ±0.1mm



IFS2402/90-1.5/4/10

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MR= Measuring Range SMR = Start of Measuring Range Dimensio

Dimensions in mm.

Sensor model (miniature)		IFS2402-0,4	IFS2402-1,5	IFS2402/90-1,5	IFS2402-4	IFS2402/90-4	IFS2402-10	IFS2402/90-10	
Measuring range		400µm	1.5mm	1.5mm	3.5mm	2.5mm	6.5mm	6.5mm	
Start of measuring range	approx.	1.5mm	0.9mm	2.5mm 1)	1.9mm	2.5mm 1)	2.5mm	3.5mm 1)	
Spot diameter		10µm	20µm	20µm	20µm	20µm	100µm	100µm	
1 (manufa)		~0.3µm	1.2µm	1.2µm	~3µm	2µm	13µm	13µm	
Linearity			≤±0.08 % FSO					$\leq \pm 0.2$ % FSO	
Resolution ²⁾		16nm	60nm	60nm	0.1 <i>µ</i> m	0.1µm	0.25µm	0.25µm	
Weight					15g				
Max. tilt (direct reflexion)		±8°	$\pm 5^{\circ}$	$\pm 5^{\circ}$	±3°	±3°	$\pm 1.5^{\circ}$	$\pm 1.5^{\circ}$	
Protection class					IP 40				
Operation temperature					+5 +70 °C				
Storage temperature					-30 +70 °C				
Sensor cable (fibre optic cable)		le	ength: integral ca	ble 2m; option up to	50m; bending	radius: static 30m	m; dynamic 40m	ım	
Shock					15g, 6ms				
Vibration				20	g / 10Hz 500H	Z			

FSO = Full Scale Output All data at constant ambient temperature (25±2°C) against optical flat; specifications can change when measuring different materials. ¹⁾ Distance from sensor axis ²⁾ Averaging factor 512

Accessories: mounting adapter MA2402 for sensors 2402











confocalDT IFS2403



The combination of a gradient index lens (GRIN lens) with a relay lens represents a favorable compromise between the IFS2401 standard sensors and the IFS2402 miniature sensors. The sensors of the IFS2403 series with an external diameter of 8mm can still be used for precise measurement in relatively tight installation situations. Due to the larger numerical aperture in comparison with the IFS2402, significantly larger offset and steeper tilt angles can be realized than for the miniature sensors.

Sensors with axial measuring direction and sensors with 90° beam exit are available, which can measure radially in small cavities and bores.



Measurement in bores with IFS2403/90 sensors



IFS2403/90-1.5/4/10



 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Tolerance } \pm 0.1 \mbox{ mm} \\ \mbox{MR} = \mbox{Measuring Range} & \mbox{SMR} = \mbox{Start of Measuring Range} & \mbox{Dimensions in mm}. \end{array}$

Sensor model (GRIN lens with relay of	optics)	IFS 2403-0.4	IFS 2403-1.5	IFS 2403/90-1.5	IFS 2403-4	IFS 2403/90-4	IFS 2403-10	IFS 2403/90-10
Measuring range		400µm	1.5mm	1.5mm	4mm	4mm	10mm	10mm
Start of measuring range	appr.	2.5mm	8.0mm	4.9mm 1)	14.7mm	12mm 1)	11mm	8.6mm 1)
Spot diameter		9µm	15µm	15µm	28µm	28µm	56µm	56µm
Lipoarity (displacement measurement)		0.3µm	1.2µm	1.2µm	3µm	3µm	20µm	20µm
Linearity (displacement measurement)		≤±0.08 % FSO					$\leq \pm 0.2$ % FSO	
Linearity (thickness measurement)		0.6µm	2.4µm	2.4µm	6µm	6µm	40µm	40µm
		≤±0.16 % FSO					$\leq \pm 0.4$ % FSO	
Resolution ²⁾		16nm	60nm	60nm	0.2µm	0.1 <i>µ</i> m	0.25µm	0.25µm
Weight					25g			
Max. tilt (direct reflexion)		±13°	$\pm 16^{\circ}$	$\pm 16^{\circ}$	$\pm 6^{\circ}$	$\pm 6^{\circ}$	$\pm 6^{\circ}$	$\pm 6^{\circ}$
Protection class					IP 40			
Operation temperature		+5 +70 °C						
Storage temperature		-30 +70°C						
Sensor cable (fibre optic cable)		ler	ngth: integral cat	ole 2m; option up to	50m; bending	radius: static 30	mm; dynamic 40	Omm
Shock		15g, 6ms						
Vibration				20	g / 10Hz 500H	Iz		

PSO = Full Scale Output All data at constant ambient temperature (25±2°C) against optical flat; specifications can change when measuring different materials. ¹⁾ Distance from sensor axis ²⁾ Averaging factor 512

Accessories: mounting adapter MA2403 for sensors 2403





confocalDT IFS2405



The confocal sensors in the IFS2405 series are designed for measurement tasks that require maximum precision. These new sensors excel through their high sensitivity. The high tilt angle and the relatively large base distance enable a great variety of potential applications. As well as distance measurements for reflective and transparent surfaces, the sensor can also be used for one-sided thickness measurement of clear film, boards or layers.



Thickness measurement of rear windows



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Sensor model		IFS 2405-0,3	IFS 2405-1	IFS 2405-3	IFS 2405-10	IFS 2405-30	
Measuring range		0.3mm	1mm	3mm	10mm	30mm	
Start of measuring range	appr.	6mm	10mm	20mm	50mm	100mm	
Spot diameter		6µm	8µm	9µm	16µm	50µm	
Linearity (displacement many sement)		0.15µm	0.25µm	0.75µm	2.5µm	7.5µm	
Linearity (displacement measurement)		±0.05 % FSO ±0.025 % FSO					
Linearity (thiskness measurement)		0.3µm	0.5µm	1.5µm	5µm	15µm	
Linearity (thickness measurement)		±0.1 % FSO ±0.05 % FSO					
Resolution 1)		10nm	28nm	36nm	60nm	180nm	
Weight		140g	125g	225g	500g	730g	
Max. tilt 2)		$\pm 34^{\circ}$	$\pm 30^{\circ}$	±24°	±17°	±9°	
Protection class		IP 65, front					
Operation temperature		+5 +70 °C					
Storage temperature		-20°C +70°C					
Sensor cable (fibre optic cable)		length: standard 3m; option up to 50m; bending radius: static 30mm; dynamic 40mm					
Shock		15g, 6ms					
Vibration		2g / 10Hz 500Hz					

FSO = Full Scale Output
All data at constant ambient temperature (25±2°C) against optical flat; specifications can change when measuring different materials.
1) Average from 512 values at 1kHz, near to the centre of the measuring range
2) Maximum sensor tilt angle that produces a usable signal, near to the centre of the measuring range

Accessories: mounting adapter MA2400 for sensors 2405 (consisting of a mounting block and a mounting ring)



Confocal chromatic sensors for measuring displacement and thickness

confocalDT IFS2406



The IFS2406 series stands out due to its compact design and high precision. Due to its axial and radial measuring directions, the confocal sensor is suitable for vacuum applications and is extremely versatile in terms of its use.

As well as distance measurements on reflecting or transparent surfaces, the sensor can also be applied in one-sided thickness measurement of transparent film, plates or layers. IFS2406-2.5/VAC(001)

IFS2406/90-2.5/VAC(001)

Sensor model	IFS 2406-2.5/VAC(001)	IFS 2406/90-2.5/VAC(001)			
Measuring range	2.5mm	2.5mm			
Start of measuring range appr	17.3mm ox. measured from protective glass frame	12.6mm measured from sensor axis			
Spot diameter	10µm	10µm			
Linearity (displacement and distance massurement)	0.75 μm	0.75µm			
Linearity (displacement and distance measurement)	±0.03	±0.03 % FSO			
Linearity (thiskness massurement)	1.5µm	1.5µm			
Linearity (Inickness measurement)	±0.06 % FSO				
Resolution 1)	24nm	24nm			
Weight (without cable)	105g	130g			
Max. tilt ²⁾	±16°	±16°			
Protection class	IP 40, vacuum compatible				
Operating temperature	+5°C +70°C				
Storage temperature	-20°C +70°C				
Sensor cable (fibre optic cable)	length: standard 3m; option up to 50m; bending radius: static 30mm; dynamic 40mm				
Shock	15g, 6ms				
Vibration	2g / 10Hz 500Hz				

FSO = Full Scale Output All data based on measurements with an optical cable of 26µm C2401-X(01) fibreglass at constant ambient temperature (25±2°C) against optical flat; specifications can change when measuring different materials. ¹⁾Average from 512 values at 1kHz, near to the centre of the measuring range ²⁾ Maximum sensor tilt angle that produces a usable signal, near to the centre of the measuring range

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The new confocalDT 2451/2471 high precision controllers are the next generation of confocal chromatic measuring technology. Due to their excellent signal/noise ratio, these new models can achieve measuring rates of 10kHz with white light LEDs (IFC2451) and 70kHz (IFC2471) using an external Xenon light source.

The new active exposure regulation feature in the CCD array enables accurate, fast surface compensation on difficult changing surfaces during dynamic measurement processes.

Thanks to a user-friendly web interface, the entire configuration can be carried out without using any additional software. Data output is via Ethernet, EtherCAT, RS422 or analogue output.

confocalDT 2451/2471 systems are used for complex distance and thickness measurements and can be used with any IFSsensor. Optical signals are transferred between sensor and controller via optical fibres.

Controller		IFC2451	IFC2451MP	IFC2471	IFC2471MP		
Multi peak measurement		2 peaks	up to 6 peaks	2 peaks	up to 6 Peaks		
Light source		internal v	white LED	external xenon ligh	t source IFX2471		
Measuring rate		adjustable 10 / 5 / 2.5	/ 1 / 0.3 / 0.2 / 0.1kHz	adjustable 70 / 50 / 25 /	10 / 5 / 2.5 / 1 / 0.3kHz		
	Ethernet / EtherCAT	1nm					
Resolution	RS422	18bit					
	Analogue	16bit					
Storage		up to	20 calibration tables for di	fferent sensors, menu sele	ction		
Controller inputs / outputs		sync-in / trigg error1-out, encoder (3x EtherCAT RS- analogue: current, volta	er-in, sync-out , error2-out : A, B, Index) f/Ethernet 422 ge (16bit D/A converter)	sync-in / trigge error1-out, « encoder (3x / EtherCAT/ RS4: analogue: current, voltag IFX2471: temperature,	r-in, sync-out arror2-out A, B, Index) Ethernet 22 Ie (16bit D/A converter) light-bulb exchange		
EtherCAT			Et	her CAT			
Operating elements, controller display		On/Off switch; Button for dark alignment (as well as for reset to factory setting after 10sec) 4x LED for intensity, range, status, supply voltage					
Supply voltage, power consumption	controller external light source	24VDC ±1	5%, ~10W -	24VDC ±15 90 … 265VA	%, ~10W C, ~100W		
Housing		Aluminium case for DIN rail mounting					
Protection class			IP	40			
Operating temperature	controller external light source	5 °C	. 50 °C	5 °C 5 °C	50 °C 40 °C		
Storage temperature			-20 °C .	70 °C			
Permissable ambient light			30,0	00lx			
Safety; EMC Interference emission Interference resistance			C EN 61 000-6-3 / DIN EN 61 000-6-2 /	E EN 61326-1 (class B) DIN EN 61326-1			
Shock			15 g,	6ms			
Vibration			2g / 10Hz	500Hz			
	sensor		2	50m			
Optical fibre cable length	xenon light source		-	1m	۱		
	connector		E20	000			
Cable length (all cables are shielded)	EtherCAT, Ethernet		CAT5E; len	gth <100m			
	supply, RS422, sync./ error		<3	Om			
	analogue	<30m					
	encoder		<3	ßm			

Controller with integrated light source for measuring rates up to 25kHz

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confocalDT 2461 systems are used for complex distance and thickness measurements. The IFC2461 controller is equipped with enhanced, optimised optical components enabling measuring rates up to 25kHz without having to use an external light source. The high light intensity enables reliable measurements on difficult surfaces, e.g. on matt black objects or for multi-layer thickness measurement of glass. The controller can be operated with any IFS sensor and is available as a standard version for distance measurements or as a multi-peak version for thickness measurements.

The active exposure regulation feature in the CCD array enables accurate, fast surface compensation on difficult changing surfaces during dynamic measurement processes. Thanks to a user-friendly web interface, the entire configuration can be carried out without using any additional software. Data output is via Ethernet, EtherCAT, RS422 or analogue output.

Controller		IFC2461	IFC2461MP		
Multi peak measurement		2 peaks up to 6 peaks			
Light source		internal v	vhite LED		
Measuring rate		adjustable 25 / 10 / 5 / 2.5 / 1 / 0.3 / 0.2 / 0.1kHz			
	Ethernet / EtherCAT	1n	m		
Resolution	RS422	18bit			
	Analogue	16	bit		
Storage		up to 20 calibration tables for di	fferent sensors, menu selection		
Controller inputs / outputs		sync-in / trigge error1-out, encoder (3x EtherCAT RS4 analogue: current, voltae	er-in, sync-out error2-out A, B, Index) /Ethernet 422 ge (16bit D/A converter)		
EtherCAT		EtherCAT			
Operating elements, controller displa	Ŋ	On/Off switch; Button for dark alignment (as well as for reset to factory setting after 10sec) 4x LED for intensity, range, status, supply voltage			
Supply voltage, power consumption		24VDC ±1	24VDC ±15%, ~10W		
Housing		Aluminium case for	r DIN rail mounting		
Protection class		IP	40		
Operating temperature		5°C	50°C		
Storage temperature		-20°C 70°C			
Permissable ambient light		30,000lx			
Safety; EMC Interference emission Interference resistance		CE EN 61 000-6-3 / DIN EN 61326-1 (class B) EN 61 000-6-2 / DIN EN 61326-1			
Shock		15 g,	6ms		
Vibration		2g / 10Hz	500Hz		
Optical fibra cabla langth	sensor	2	50m		
Optical libre cable length	connector	E20	000		
	EtherCAT, Ethernet	CAT5E; len	gth <100m		
Cable length (all cables are shielded)	supply, RS422, sync./ error	<3	0m		
	analogue	<3	0m		
	encoder	<:	Bm		

Controller IFC2461

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System setup

A measuring system confocalDT 2451/2461 consists of: • Sensor IFS240x

Controller IFC2451/ IFC2461

A measuring system confocalDT 2471 consists of:

- Sensor IFS240x
- Controller IFC2471 (for external light source)
- Xenon light source IFX2471

Customer specific modifications

On occasions, application requirements exceed the performance limits of standard sensors and controllers. To facilitate such special tasks it is possible to customize the sensor design and to adjust the controller accordingly. Common requests for modifications include changes in design, mounting options, customized cable lengths and modified measuring ranges.

Possible modifications

- Sensors with connector
- 90° cable exit
- Vacuum suited sensors without outgassing
- Reduced sensor length
- Mounting options
- Extended sensor lance
- Optical filter for ambient light compensation
- Sensor material

Accessories

Software

IFD24n1-Tool

Free demo software tool included in delivery

Accessories light source

IFX2471/Xe/75external Xenon light source for controller IFC2471 (70 kHz)IFX2471/Xe/75-light-bulb for IFX2471IFL2451/LED-light-bulb for IFC2451IFL2451/LED(003)-light-bulb for IFC2451(003) with cooling elementCL2471-1/XeLight source cable, 1m

Accessories IFS2405

C2401-X	Fibre optical cable (3m, 10m, customer specific length up to 50m)
C2401/PT-X	Armored cable (3m, 10m, customer specific length up to 50m)
C2401-3(10)	Sensor cable for drag chain use, 3m
C2401-5(10)	Sensor cable for drag chain use, 5m

Accessories IFS2402/2403

CE2402-X	Extension for fibre optical cable (3/10/13/30/50m)			
CE2402-X/PT	Sensor with armored cable			
	(3/10m, customer specific length up to 50m)			
C2402/Vac/KF16	Vacuum feedthrough, 1 channel			
C2405/Vac/6/CF63	Vacuum feedthrough, 6 channel			
C2405/Vac/9/CF63	Vacuum feedthrough, 9 channel			

Accessories

 SC2471-3/USB/IND
 G

 SC2471-3/IF2008
 G

 SC2471-3/CSP
 G

 SC2471-10/IF2008
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 SC2471-10/IF2008
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 SC2471-10/IF2008
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 SC2471-10/USB/IND
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 SC2471-20/USB/IND
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 PS2020
 F

 EC2471-3/OE
 F

Connector cable IFC2451/61/71, 3m Connector cable IFC2451/61/71-IF2008, 3m Connector cable IFC2451/61/71-CSP2008, 3m Connector cable IFC2451/61/71-IF2008, 10m Connector cable IFC2451/61/71-CSP2008, 10m Connector cable IFC2451/61/71, 10m Connector cable IFC2451/61/71, 20m Power supply 24 V / 2,5 A Encoder cable, 3 m

Fibre optic

Temperature range : -50°C - 90°C Bending radius: 30/40mm

E2000/APC standard connector

High performance sensors made by Micro-Epsilon

Sensors and systems for displacement and position

Optical micrometers, fibre optic sensors and fibre optics

Sensors and measurement devices for non-contact temperature measurement

Colour recognition sensors, LED analyzers and colour online spectrometer

2D/3D profile sensors (laser scanner)

Measurement and inspection systems

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