

SCATEC-J

Laser Copy Counter

FLDK 110G1010/S14
FLDK 110G10/xxxxxx

User manual

Sensor Solutions

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General notes

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| Rules for proper usage | <p>This product represents a precision measuring device which has been designed for the detection of objects and parts. It generates and provides measured values issued as electrical signals for following systems.</p> <p>Unless this product has not been specifically marked it may not be used in hazardous areas.</p> |
| Set-up | <p>Installation, mounting and adjustment of this product may only be executed by skilled employees.</p> |
| Installation | <p>Only mounting devices and accessories specifically provided for this product may be used for installation.</p> <p>Unused outputs may not be connected. Unused strands of hard-wired sensors must be isolated. Do not exceed the maximum permissible bending radius of the cable. Before connecting the product electrically the system must be powered down.</p> <p>Where screened cables are mandatory, they have to be used in order to assure EMI protection. When assembling connectors and screened cables at customer site the screen of the cable must be linked to the connector housing via a large contact area.</p> |

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1 Safety information and Certifications



The laser diode installed in the **SCATEC-J** emits visible red light. This laser belongs to laser class 2 as specified by the standard IEC 60825-1 / 2001.

Avoid looking directly into the beam for longer periods. Brief irradiation of the eye (0.25 sec) as can occur during an accidental glance is not regarded to be dangerous.

However, the laser should not be aimed deliberately at people. The laser beam should also be blocked at the end of its intended path.

SCATEC-J complies with the following safety standards:



Complies with 21CFR 1040.10 and 1040.11

2 Introduction

SCATEC-2 has the same key feature as all the other sensors from the **SCATEC** family: The capability of non-contact detection of object edges. **SCATEC** is the sensor of choice when it comes to detect flat objects conveyed in an overlapping stream or individually. The sensors in the **SCATEC** family were developed and highly optimized particularly with regard to the specific demands of non-contact counting of overlapping paper sheets and newspapers. Therefore the printing industry will be the ideal area of application for the **SCATEC**.

Generally speaking a **SCATEC** sensor reacts to an edge facing the sensor's laser beam. If the laser beam strikes such an edge, **SCATEC** responds with an electrical output pulse of fixed duration. The

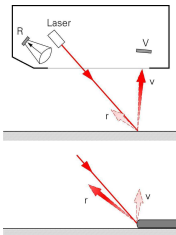
Within the **SCATEC** family, the **SCATEC-J** is characterized by the following properties:

- counts edges from a thickness of 1.5 mm
- optimum working distance: 40 mm
- "plug and play"; the user is not required to make adjustments
- counting rate up to 280,000 copies per hour

3 Principle of operation

Described simply, the **SCATEC-J** consists of a laser light source and two photodetectors. The beam is aimed diagonally at the objects to be detected. Photodetector R is located close to the laser light source and photodetector V in a forward sensing position. The sensor measures the ratio between signal v (light propagated forwards) and signal r (light propagated backwards).

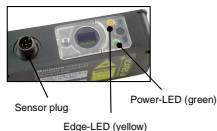
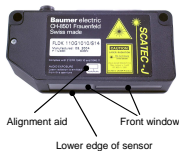
The ratio v/r differs widely depending whether the beam strikes on a flat surface or on an edge. When an edge moves into the laser beam, the direct line of sight from detector V to the point of contact of the laser is obstructed, which reduces signal v , and the edge also increases the backwards propagation, causing signal r to increase. Both effects cause ratio v/r to become substantially smaller than with a flat surface. If ratio v/r falls below a specific level, the sensor interprets this as an edge.



This principle of operation clearly demonstrates that:

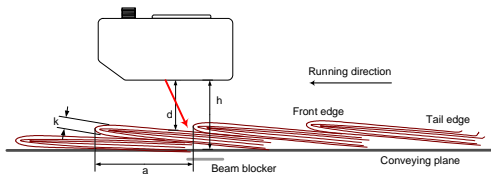
- The orientation of the object to the beam is significant. An edge facing towards the beam creates a small ratio v/r , in contrast to an edge facing away from the beam. Therefore only edges facing towards the laser beam will be detected!
- Edge detection is independent of the color, as only the ratio of the light intensities and not the absolute value is used for detection.

4 Part identification



5 Definition of technical terms

For reference, the terms defined in this section are used throughout the manual.



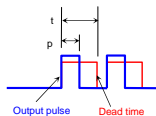
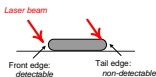
Mounting height h

Distance between the lower edge of the sensor and the conveying plane

Working plane

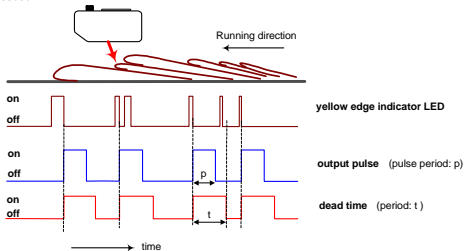
The edge lies on the working plane. With thick overlapping copies, the working plane is slightly higher than the top of the conveying plane on which the copies are transported. Distance d is measured vertically to the lower edge of the sensor.

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| Working distance d | Distance between the lower edge of the sensor and the working plane. |
| Overlap a | Separation between two successive edges, measured along the conveying plane. (Also referred to as the object interval.) |
| Edge thickness k | Thickness of the copy at the point where the edge is to be detected. |
| Front edge | The edge of an object facing the laser beam. Front edges are detected by the sensor. |
| Tail edge | The edge of an object facing away from the laser beam. Tail edges are not detected by the sensor unless they are pointing upwards. |
| Running direction | The preferred running direction is indicated. The opposite direction is also permitted by the SCATEC-J . |
| Dead time | The sensor responds to an edge with an output pulse with period p . The dead time begins when the pulse is issued. The sensor can only issue the next pulse after the dead time t has expired. This means: an edge detected by the beam during the dead time does not initiate an output pulse. |



6 Sequence of the signals

The yellow edge indicator LED lights as long as the edge is located in the beam. The output pulse is issued at the end of the edge. The dead time begins when the output pulse is issued. During the dead time and when issuing the pulse, the **SCATEC-J** is inactive, i.e. no edges are counted. Therefore, the next output pulse can only be issued after the dead time has expired and the output pulse has been issued.



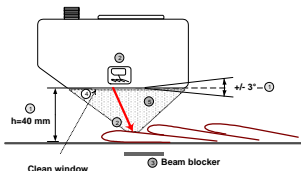
7 Installation

7.1 Electrical connection

Make the electrical connection as specified in Sections 10.2 *Electrical data* and 10.3 *Pin assignment*.

7.2 Mounting

- (1) Mount the sensor at a height h of 40 mm (+5/-10 mm) with the front window parallel to the working plane.
- (2) Adjust the sensor so that the laser beam is aimed towards the edges to be counted. (When fitted correctly, the overlap of the copies is facing in the same direction as indicated in the alignment aid.)
- (3) Block the laser beam after the objects whenever possible.
- (4) Keep the window clean (no fingerprints).
- (5) A direct line of sight from the laser impact point to the entire front window must be ensured.



Mounting height h

40 mm above the conveyor belt

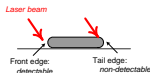
The resolution is dependent on the distance. The highest resolution of 1.5 mm edge thickness is achieved at a distance d of 30 – 45 mm. (See also Section 10.6 *Application data*.)

Angular tolerance

max. +/- 3°

Overlap orientation

The copies are counted when the edge facing the laser beam moves through the beam. If an edge faces away from the beam, it is not detected. Tail edges are therefore not counted unless they face upwards.

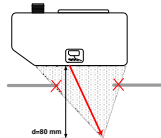


Running direction

The SCATEC-J permits both running directions. The edges facing the laser beam are detected by the sensor regardless of the running direction.

Front window

The direct line of sight from the impact point of the laser to the entire front window must not be obstructed by the mountings in a distance range d of 0 – 80 mm. If mountings or other components are close to this zone for any reason, you should consult a technician from Baumer Electric AG in this respect.



7.3 Beam blocker

Uncontrolled reflections of the laser beam can cause malfunctioning of the sensor or dazzle people. Therefore, a beam blocker should be fitted whenever possible to block the beam when there is no target present. A flat surface (at least approx. 25x25 mm) made of a matt, non-reflecting material is recommended as the beam blocker. The beam blocker must be mounted parallel to the sensor. The yellow edge indicator LED must not light when the laser beam strikes the beam blocker.

7.4 Cleaning the front window

Fingerprints, dust and other forms of dirt on the front window can impair the function of the sensor. It is normally sufficient to wipe the glass pane dry with a clean (!), soft cloth. Alcohol may be used for heavier soiling.

7.5 Checklist for correct fitting

When the **SCATEC-J** is fitted correctly:

- the green power LED lights as long as the electrical supply is connected
- the product overlap faces in the same direction as indicated on the sensor label
- the laser beam has a diameter of about 2 mm at 40 mm beneath the window
- the yellow edge indicator LED does *not* light when the laser beam strikes the beam blocker
- the yellow edge indicator LED lights as long as an edge is located in the beam
- the front windows are clean

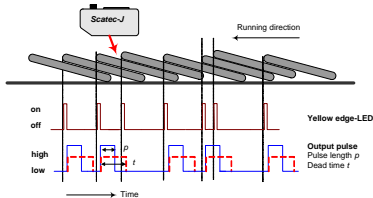
8 Adjustments

The **SCATEC-J** is ready for operation after fitting. No further adjustments are necessary.

9 Instructions for use

9.1 Maximum counting rate

Since the output pulses and the dead time cannot overlap, edges must be separated by at least a dead time. (With the **SCATEC-J**, the dead time t is always greater than the output pulse period p). If the following edge arrives within a time shorter than the dead time, then this edge will be suppressed meaning that the edge will not initiate an output pulse as illustrated in the figure below.



The dead time t therefore determines the maximum counting rate because within time t , the **SCATEC-J** cannot issue more than one output pulse.

The maximum counting rate is therefore $1/t$.

Example: Dead time $t = 12$ ms
Therefore: maximum counting rate = $1/12$ ms = 300,000 per hour

Please note that this is the maximum counting rate. The closer the actual production rate gets to this value the higher the risk becomes that copies are suppressed due to too short intervals between copies. If suddenly the **SCATEC-J** starts to miss copies while the production rate is run up, the reason very often are occasionally way too short intervals between copies. Such irregularities of the lap stream are very often unexpected and difficult to see directly.

9.2 Variation of the working distance

The thickness that an edge must have to be detected by the **SCATEC-J** depends on the working distance. The **SCATEC-J** is most sensitive at a working distance of about 40 mm. The relationship between the sensitivity and the working distance is contained in the specifications in Section 10.6.

☞ the sensitivity of the sensor varies with the working distance

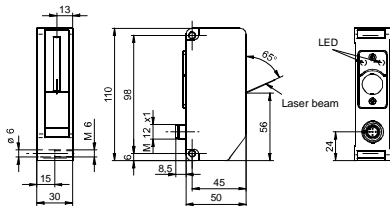
9.3 Applications outside the paper processing industry

Due to the fundamental principle of edge detection employed by the **SCATEC-J**, the field of application for the sensor is not restricted to the paper processing industry. For applications concerning high-gloss surfaces (e.g. sheet metals), it is advisable to consult a technician from Baumer Electric AG on the application.

10 Specifications

10.1 Mechanical and thermal data

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| Sensor size | 110 x 50 x 30 mm |
| Housing material | plastic (PA6.6) |
| Front window | glass |
| Weight | approx. 130 g |
| Protection class | IP 54 |
| Working temperature range | 0°C to +50°C (non-condensing) |
| Storage temperature | -20°C to +60°C |



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10.2 Electrical data

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| Operating voltage V_S | |
| Limits: | +10 VDC to +30VDC (UL-Class 2) |
| reverse-protected | yes |
| Ripple V_S | 10% within the limits of V_S |
| Power consumption | < 2 W |
| Current consumption | |
| Average: | < 170 mA |
| Peak (after switching on) | < 180 mA |
| Output connector | M12 connector, 5-pole |
| Output circuit | Push-pull |
| Current load: | max. 100 mA |
| short-circuit protected | yes |
| Normal state: | low |
| Output pulse period | |
| FLDK 110G1010/S14: | 10 ms |
| FLDK 110G10/xxxxx: | see section 14 |

10.3 Pin assignment

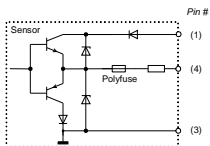


Pin assignment (on Scatec)

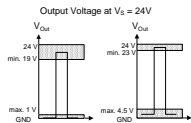
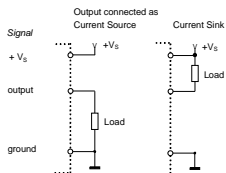
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| 1 | Operating voltage $+V_S$ |
| 2 | Seriell TxD (sensor) |
| 3 | GND (0V) |
| 4 | Signal output $+V_{out}$ |
| 5 | Seriell RxD (sensor) |

10.4 Output connection

Push-pull Output



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| $+V_S$ | Operating voltage (+10VDC ... +30VDC) |
| V_{out} | Signal output |
| GND | 0 V |
| I_{Load} | maximum 100 mA |



10.5 Optical data

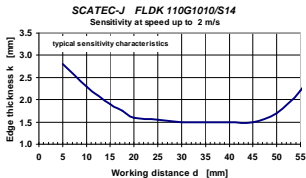
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| Laser | Wavelength | 650 nm - 680 nm (visible red) |
| | Pulse frequency | 50 kHz |
| | Duty cycle | 50% |
| | Average power | < 0.5 mW |
| | Laser class | 2 (to IEC 60825-1 / 2001) |
| Beam diameter | at emission point | about 2.5 mm |
| | 40 mm beneath sensor | about 2 mm |
| Focus position | | about 120 mm beneath sensor |
| Optical receiver | | equipped with NIR suppression filter and daylight suppression filter |

10.6 Application data

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| Measuring range | 0 to 55 mm beneath sensor | |
| Mounting height | 40 mm | |
| Object speed | 2 m/s maximum (5 m/s maximum for thicker edges) | |
| Minimum object spacing | | |
| | <i>FLDK 110G1010/S14</i> | 13 mm @ v = 1 m/s, or proportional to speed |
| | <i>FLDK 110G10/xxxxxx:</i> | see section 14 |
| Counting rate | | |
| | <i>FLDK 110G1010/S14</i> | 280,000 maximum copies/h |
| | <i>FLDK 110G10/xxxxxx:</i> | see section 14 |
| Product orientation | | Fold facing laser beam |
| Output pulse period | | |
| | <i>FLDK 110G1010/S14</i> | 10 ms |
| | <i>FLDK 110G10/xxxxxx:</i> | see section 14 |
| Dead time | | |
| | <i>FLDK 110G1010/S14</i> | 12 ms |
| | <i>FLDK 110G10/xxxxxx:</i> | see section 14 |
| Pulse issue time | | at the end of the edge |

Sensitivity

Edges from 1.5 mm thickness and greater are detected
Sensitivity is dependent on distance and speed
Typical sensitivity: see diagram



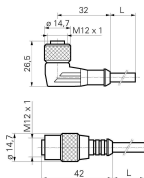
An edge with thickness k (*) at distance d can be detected when in the graphics k is above the curve at the corresponding distance d .
(*) Test object: cleanly cut white cardboard

11 Accessories

Cable with plug

| Article number | | Cable length |
|----------------|-------|----------------------|
| ESW 33AH0200 | 4-pin | 2m PUR/halogen-free |
| ESW 33AH0500 | 4-pin | 5m PUR/halogen-free |
| ESW 33AH1000 | 4-pin | 10m PUR/halogen-free |

| Article number | | Cable length |
|----------------|-------|----------------------|
| ESG 34AH0200 | 4-pin | 2m PUR/halogen-free |
| ESG 34AH0500 | 4-pin | 5m PUR/halogen-free |
| ESG 34AH1000 | 4-pin | 10m PUR/halogen-free |



12 Maintenance

The **SCATEC-J** requires no maintenance apart from keeping the front windows clean. Dust or fingerprints can impair the sensor function. It is normally sufficient to wipe the windows dry with a clean (!), soft cloth. Alcohol may be used for heavy soiling.

13 Troubleshooting

First try to resolve the problem using the following table. If this is unsuccessful, consult Baumer Electric AG (www.baumer.com) for technical support.

The search for fault causes can be substantially shortened if the following issues are clarified before you make contact with a technician from Baumer Electric AG:

1. What is the type designation and P-code of the sensor?
2. Exact description of the problem. (Does the **SCATEC** count more or less copies than actually pass the sensor?)
3. Retain several samples of the products causing the counting error. (Mark the running direction on one sample and the approximate line along which it passes the laser beam.)
4. If possible, digital images of the installed sensor in operation and the immediate surroundings.

| Fault | Possible causes | Corrective actions |
|--|---|---|
| 1 Scatec counts less copies than actually pass the sensor | a) Overlap spacing sporadically too small | Increase the overlap spacing or reduce the conveying speed |
| | b) Copies too close to or too far away from the Scatec, so that the copies are in a distance range at which the sensitivity of the sensor is inadequate | Set the distance of the copies in a range where the sensor is sufficiently sensitive to detect the copies. See chart 10.6 |
| | c) Some copies are covered by another copy | Prevent complete coverage of the copies |
| 2 Scatec counts more copies than actually pass the sensor | Apart from the edges, there are other points on the copies which cause spurious pulses | Prevent faulty points on the copies |
| | b) Laser beam on beam blocker causes spurious pulses | Adjust beam blocker correctly (yellow edge LED must never light when the laser beam strikes the beam blocker) |
| | c) Unblocked laser beam is reflected and causes spurious pulses | Install beam blocker at proper distance |

14 Corrections for customized FLDK 110x10/xxxxxx

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