

## **Product overview:**

Incremental & Absolute LENGTH- AND ANGLE MEASURING SYSTEMS based on the AMOSIN<sup>®</sup> – Inductive Measuring Principle



# The company

AMO GmbH was established as a company in 1994. The initial development phase of our inductive length and angle measuring systems were completed after one year and product introduction began.

AMO began work on the second generation inductive encoders, making advances for higher accuracies and product miniaturization.

The result was the first **AMOSIN®** series of length and angle measuring systems which have been and proven to be very successful and well received in the marketplace. With this development we advanced into the "high end signal sub-division" which allowed us to offer resolutions and accuracies that had previously only be achievable with opto-electronic encoder systems.



The substantial growth of the company required additional manufacturing space and the company moved into a new and larger building in autumn 2007.

As the company has grown, we now have subsidiaries in Germany, USA and Italy, and have established a large dealer network in other industrialized countries.

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Our customers around the world are very satisfied as we achieve on-time deliveries with our products having very good reliability and high quality, and also our "know-how" to customize our products to so that our encoders are integrated into the existing machine design, rather than having to re-design their machines to fit a standard encoder.

Our inductive encoder products have an IP 67 rating that is insensitive against contamination over the complete range of products. This allows design engineers to place encoders in the ideal location on a machine – close to where the machine operations are performed, independent of the fluids and dust or dirt.

## **AMOSIN® - Measuring principle**

The **AMOSIN®** measuring systems function on a patented purely inductive principle.

The measuring scale is a stainless-steel tape onto which a high precise periodical graduation of variable reluctance has been etched using photo-lithographic techniques.

A coil structure, with a number of coils aligned in the direction of measurement, is implemented on a substrate using micro-multi-layer technology.

The relative angular movement in the direction of AMOSIN FUNKTIONSPRINZIP measurement between the sensor structure (in the scanning head) and the measuring scale periodically changes the mutual inductance of the individual coils, generating two sinusoidal signals with a 90° phase difference.

The extremely accurate signal, and its immunity to environmental influences, has the effect that, after



conditioning of the signal in the evaluation electronics deviations of no more than 0.1% from the ideal sinusoidal form (harmonic content) remains. This allows high interpolation factors (further levels of sub-dividing) to be carried out in the course of signal digitisation. This can either be done in the measuring system itself, or in the subsequent electronics (CNC etc.).

An important feature is that using the patented **AMOSIN**<sup>®</sup> measuring principle does not give rise to any measurement hysteresis (machine backlash error). In contrast to magnetic systems, the high-frequency alternating field suppresses any hysteresis in the material.

The evaluation electronics provides an incremental output either as a sinusoidal or as a square wave signal. The 1Vpp sinusoidal signal is available with period length down to 20  $\mu$ m. This is equivalent to 32768 signal periods/ revolution on a rotary system with a diameter 163mm for example. Alternatively a TTL square wave output with resolution down to 0.125  $\mu$ m can be used.

In addition to the periodic quadrature signals (A, B and their inverted) a reference signal is output for the determination of absolute position. This signal is generated from a single, multiple or distance coded pattern of reference marks integrated into the measuring tape and does not require any additional parts.



# **AMOSIN®** - angle measuring systems

**AMOSIN**<sup>®</sup> angle measuring systems can be applied to a wide range of applications due to the pure inductive scanning principle and the robust IP 67 rating.

Almost any diameter from about 80 mm up to several meters can be manufactured in a short time. Our encoders can be supplied for not only high speed applications for spindles but also for extremely high accuracies for rotary tables and swivelling axes.

# ... easy integration, for almost every diameter!

Powerful machining spindles and direct drives can use our encoders in purely a rotary velocity operating mode as well as in an interpolated mode for multiple axis machining.

One great benefit of this measuring system is that it can be used in the adjacent to the bearings of the rotating axis, since the system has a high protection level - IP 67, which permits operation even in an oil bath, such as in the spindle box.

A stable press-fit steel measuring tape ring scale provides the foundation for a flexible design and allows a wide range of ring scale diameters.

Adding a ring scale to a rotating shaft or spindle offers compact integration of the inductive measuring system, leading to stiffer and space-saving designs, with lower masses and therefore lower moments of inertia.





# ... to have brains, for highest accuracy!

The patented CHS model, which is a unique angle measuring system with self-calibration functionality, achieves very high accuracy on rotary axis. Accuracy errors related to mechanical installation, disc eccentricity and bearing run-out are removed in an economical way. The MHS version is a dual encoder head system that eliminates eccentricities "real time".

The integration of the AMO non-contact encoder ring scale directly onto the rotating part, very close to the bearing and without a mechanical coupling is the best solution for precision positioning and high accuracy.

The mechanical flexibility of the **AMOSIN**<sup>®</sup> angle measuring systems permits designers to simplify and improve the integration of a rotary measuring system.

Exacting requirements regarding design, signal quality, reliability and robustness are met with AMOSIN®.

# **AMOSIN®** - length measuring systems

Open non-contact, and guided inductive linear encoder systems are available for any measuring length. With the inductive scanning principle, exceptionally high speed operation, and bi-directional repeatability of one encoder count, the **AMOSIN**<sup>®</sup> length measuring systems can be used in an exceptionally wide range of applications from precision measurement instruments, to high-dynamic linear motor applications, to the harshest applications in machine tools, where **robustness along with precision** are required.

Reference marks are integrated on the measuring tape, and can be supplied with a single, multiple, or distance coded patterns.

The purely inductive scanning allows for the high protection class IP67 where the operation of the systems is not affected by contamination and pollutants in the form of dust, smoke, or liquids. Optical encoders require a complicated mechanical encapsulating enclosure, and also commonly incorporate air purging to protect the optical scale - neither which are necessary with the **AMOSIN**<sup>®</sup> encoders. Particularly noteworthy is the insensitivity from magnetic interference as there are no magnetic components in the purely inductive scanning and a completely different technology than magnetic encoders.

### ... on the one hand small and dynamic!

Miniature encoder heads with narrow 10mm width measuring tape make integration in space-limited applications easy. The lightweight head and high resolution of the linear encoder system meet the demands in terms of precision and servo control performance that is required when used in conjunction with direct drives.

The high robustness of the systems is ideal for the reliable operation of linear motors.





### ... on the other hand robust and precise!

Machine construction places the highest demand on the precision and reliability of measuring systems. Machine precision, in the range of micrometers, is hard to achieve in the very dirty environment found in machine tool operation.

In particular, our guided, encapsulated inductive length measuring systems satisfy exactly these demands, even when the length to be measured is extremely long.

The LMI-310 series consists of individual rail sections up to 4 m long that can be combined for measuring lengths up to 30 meters.

The individual rail sections have a groove on the top, into which a continuous steel measuring tape is laid with a locking "snap cover" holding the scale tape in place. Alignment pins and clamps, including a tightening/stretching mechanism, allow the measuring tape to be fastened securely, which would permit multiple assembly/dismantling to be carried out without significant time and effort.

The linear guideway measuring carriage contains the sensing head, which guides the inductive sensor precisely over the integrated measuring tape. The carriage wipers protect not only the guiding elements as well as the inductive scanning sensor. The LMI-310 measuring system is commonly used for machine tools and on linear axes with long travel paths. IP 67 rating insures the encoder is not impaired or affected from oil or coolant.

## **AMOSIN® - Absolute measuring systems**

AMO offers a broad range of absolute measuring system products covered by several AMO patents, based on our proven and successful AMOSIN<sup>®</sup> pure inductive measuring principle.

Our linear and rotary scales are produced incorporating two highly accurate grating tracks - one incremental and the other a coded absolute pattern, using a precision etched photo-lithographic process. The encoder head incorporates a micro coil array sensor along with analog and digital evaluation electronics.

For both the linear and rotary systems, the absolute position value is acquired in real time. Several types of serial interfaces are available, including SSI, BiSS/C, and CNC control protocols. As an option, the system electronics can also deliver 1 Vpp SINE / COSINE signals at 40µm pitch. The basic pitch period of the incremental graduation is 1000µm.

The new ABSYS absolute encoders include all of the unique inductive encoder features that our incremental encoders have for harsh environments, such as very wide operating temperature envelope, ability to operate in high shock, vibration, and electromagnetic environments, but yet offer high accuracy, high resolution, and high speed. Additional data for our encoders can be found in the AMOSIN<sup>®</sup> brochures (see www.amo-gmbh.com).

Linear measuring lengths up to 32 meters, and standard ring scale size from 80 mm up to 652 mm diameter are available. Measuring rings with other diameters up to 10m on request.

For technical reasons, sometimes for economic reasons, machine operators want to avoid a reference travel for zero determination of the sensor. In modern direct drive, linear motors or linear actuators are therefore increasingly absolute measuring systems used. These have compared to the predominantly incremental system the described advantage.

The always present information about the position of the axis and the direct uptake of processing, without reference travel has advantages in productivity, while improving plant safety. The absolute-measuring systems provide resolutions less than 1 micrometer. The position is placed in the desired resolution over the interface to the absolute control.



# Absolute Angle measuring systems

Absolute AMOSIN-angle measurement systems are available for both inside and outside scanning, based on our inductive measuring principle.

### WMFA / WMRA - Measuring Flange with Ring Scale or Ring Scale

Standard diameters from 80mm to 652mm are currently available with non-standard sizes possible. Measurement accuracy available in classes as follows:  $\pm 3\mu$ m,  $\pm 5\mu$ m or  $\pm 10\mu$ m arc length.

### WMKA - Encoder Head

Our encoder heads have a high degree of protection IP 67 rating with immunity to contamination. Available system resolutions: 1 or 0.25  $\mu$ m arc length.

Absolute interfaces are available:

SSI + 1Vpp BiSS / C Fanuc interface Drive CLiQ (in preparation)

**Typical Applications** 

Direct Drive Torque Motors Rotary and Tilt axes (Pan and Tilt Camera and/or Azimuth and Elevation) Rotary Tables

## Absolute Linear measuring system

Absolute AMOSIN linear measuring systems are based on the inductive measuring principle.

### LMBA - Linear Measuring Scale

Measuring scale tapes can be supplied in any length up to 30 meters, with an absolute accuracy of ± 10  $\mu$ m/m, ± 5  $\mu$ m/m or ± 3  $\mu$ m/m after linear compensation.

### LMKA – Encoder Head

The encoder heads have the high degree of protection IP 67 rating with immunity to contamination. Available system resolutions: 1 or 0.25  $\mu$ m.

Absolute interfaces are available:

SSI + 1Vpp BiSS / C Fanuc interface Drive CLiQ (in preparation)





# **AMOSIN®** - length measuring systems

#### Measuring head Scale type System type Mechanical dimensions **Mechanical dimensions** Accuracy Туре Type LMB-100 LMK-100 LMK-1050 LMI-100 LMI-1050 Miniature measuring head <u></u> with electronics integrated 2 in connector LMK-110 0,75 LMK-1150 ± 3 µm / m No limitation in measuring length With integrated Type LMB-400 1 electronics LMI-110 LMI-1150 36 LMKF-110 LMKF-1150 5,2 49 4 With integrated electronics 26 Type LMB-130 73 LMK-130 4 With integrated 9 electronics ± 5 µm / m 0,75 LMI-130 No limitation Type LMB-430 in measuring length LMKF-130 With integrated electronics 26 Kit Encoder LKK-100 ± 3 µm / m LKK 19.5 0,75

### Open, non-guided AMOSIN®- length measuring systems

### Guided AMOSIN<sup>®</sup>-length measuring system



Res	olution	Typical application			
1Vpp	TTL	Max. speed			
1000 μm to 20 μm	250 μm to 0.125 μm	10 m/s	LMI-100 LMI-110 Sheet metal working	LMB-100 + LMK-100	
1000 μm to 20 μm	250 μm to 0.125 μm	10 m/s	machines, SMT-pick and place machines LMI-1050 LMI-1150 High-end machines in connection with direct drives	LMB-110 + LMK-110	
3000 μm to 120 μm	750 μm to 0.75 μm	30 m/s	LMI-130 Handling systems in connection with direct drives	LMB-410 + LMKF-110	
1000 μm to 40 μm	250 μm to 0,25 μm	10 m/s	LKK-100 Application with limited mounting space in Handling sytems Measuring equipment Electronic production equipment		

1000 µm	250 µm	3 m/s	LMI-310 Machine tool, Mechanical press brake	
to 20 μm	to 0.125 μm		LMI-3150 High-end machine tool	LMF-310 + LMK-310

# **AMOSIN®** - angle measuring systems for outside scanning



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Resol	Resolution Max. electrical		 Typical application	
1Vpp	TTL	speed		
1000 μm to 20 μm	250 μm to 0.125 μm	23000 rpm	WMI-100 WMI-200	WMF-100 + WMK-100
			C-axis on milling machines, Spindles with less construction size, Swiveling axis	
1000 µm	250 µm	23000 rpm	WMI-1050 WMI-2050	WMR-100 + WMK-100
to 20 μm	to 0.125 μm		High-end machines in connection with direct drives	
				WMF-100 + WMK-200
3000 μm to 120 μm	750 μm to 0.75 μm	70000 rpm	WMI-300 Rotary axis with big diameter, Spindle applications	WMF-100 + CHS

# AMOSIN<sup>®</sup> - angle measuring systems for inside scanning

	Scale 1	type		Measur	ring head	
System type	Mechanical dimensions	Diameter	Accuracy	Туре	Mechanical dimensions	
WMI-110 WMI-1150	Type WMR	163.70 mm 229.85 mm 287.14 mm 326.62 mm 459.01 mm 652.54 mm	± 7.5" ± 5.4" ± 4.3" ± 3.8" ± 2.7" ± 1.9"	WMK-110 WMK-1150 Miniature measuring head with electronics integrated in connector		
WMI-210 WMI-2150		Other diameters on request Multiple head scanning system MHS or CHS provides up to 4 times higher accuracy		WMK-210 WMK-2150 With integrated electronics		
WMI-310	Type WMR	163.06 mm 229.91 mm 287.14 mm 326.30 mm 459.01 mm 489.52 mm	± 12" ± 9" ± 7" ± 6" ± 4.5" ± 4"	WMK-310 With integrated electronics	73 73 61	
	4	Other diameter Multiple head sca MHS or CHS pro times higher	anning system ovides up to 4		9	

Reso	Resolution Max. electrical speed   1Vpp TTL		Typical application	Mar its star
1Vpp				
1000 μm to 20 μm	250 μm to 0.125 μm	23000 rpm	WMI-110 WMI-210 C-axis on milling machines, Spindles with less construction size, Swiveling axis, External rotor motor	WMR-110 + WMK-110
1000 μm to 20 μm	250 μm to 0.125 μm	23000 rpm	WMI-1150 WMI-2150 High-end machines in connection with direct drives, External rotor motor	WMR-110 + WMK-210
3000 μm to 120 μm	750 μm to 0.75 μm	70000 rpm	WMI-310 Rotary axis with big diameter, Spindle applications	WMR-310 + WMK-310

# Absolute AMOSIN® - Length and Angle Measuring Systems

		Scale t	type	Measu	ring head
System type		Mechanical dimensions	Accuracy	Туре	Mechanical dimensions
	Absolute no	n-guided AMOSIN <sup>®</sup> Leng	n		
	LMIA-1110x	Typ LMBA-1110/2110	± 3 μm / m Measuring Length till max. 9,2m	LMKA-1110x	
	LMIA-2110x	Typ LMBA-1410/2410	± 3 μm / m Measuring Length till max. 32m	LMKA-2110x	<b>9 A 9</b> 72 <b>9 9</b>
	Absolute guid	ded AMOSIN <sup>®</sup> Length M	easuring System		
	LMIA-1310x	Typ LMFA-1310/2310	± 3 μm / m Measuring Length till max. 9,2m	LMKA-1310x	
	LMIA-2310x		± 3 μm / m Measuring Length till max. 32m	LMKA-2310x	
	Absolute AM	OSIN <sup>®</sup> Angle Measuring	System for outside s	scanning	
	WMIA-2010x	Typ WMFA-1010	Diameter     Accuracy       81,95 mm     ± 15"       115,12 mm     ± 10"       163,54 mm     ± 7,5"       229,78 mm     ± 5,4"       287,08 mm     ± 4,3"       326,55 mm     ± 3,8"       652,58 mm     ± 1,9"       Other diameters on request	WMKA-2010x	

### Absolute AMOSIN<sup>®</sup> Angle Measuring System for inside scanning

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	Typ WMRA-1110	Diameter	Accu- racy		
WMIA-2110x		326,55 mm 458,99 mm 573,61 mm 652,58 mm Other diameters	± 3,8" ± 2,7" ± 2,2" ± 1,9"	WMKA-2110x	

Reso	lution	_	Typical		
Inkremental 1Vss	Absolut SSI,Biss/C,FANUC, DriveCLiQ	Max. electrical speed	application		
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1000 μm to 40 μm	1μm 0,25 μm	2,5 m/s [0,25μm] to 10 m/s [1μm]	Sheet metal working machines, SMT-pick and place machines, High-end machines in connection with direct drives, Handling systems in connection with direct drives	LMKA-1110x / LMBA-1110	
				LMKA-1110X / LMBA-1110	
1000 μm to 40 μm	1μm 0,25 μm	2,5 m/s [0,25μm] to 5 m/s [1μm]	Machine tool, Mechanical press brake	LMKA-1310x / LMFA-1310	
1000 μm to 32μm	1μm 0,25 μm	14.000 U/min	High-end machines in connection with direct drives		
				WMKA-2010x / WMRA-1010	
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WMKA-2110x / WMRA-1110

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