

S-100

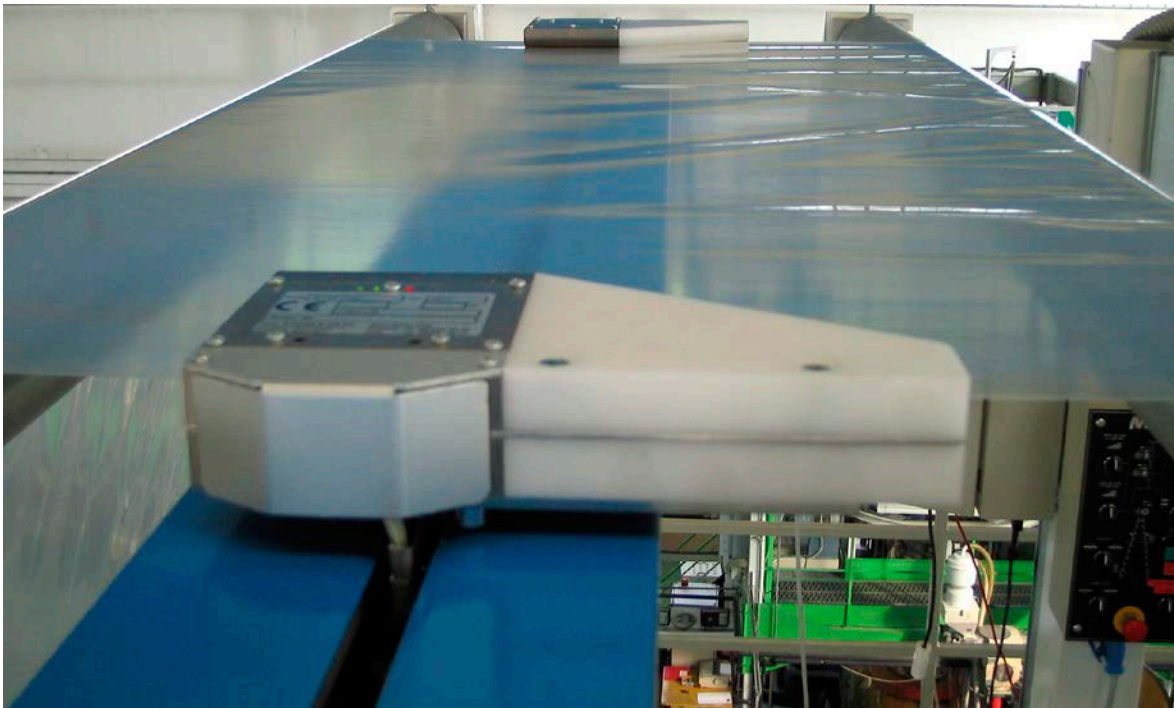
***Online
Thickness
Measurement
for Barrier
Films***

■ S-100

The S-100 is an online thickness measuring system for blown film lines that measures the thickness of the film with nearly no contact.

This measuring system has been developed to capacitively measure barrier film with a high percentage of PA and/or EVOH. The S-100 TWIN measures the lay-flat width and the web position of the film at the same time.

The measuring sensors can be installed at any preferred position after the collapsing frame. Because of its compact design, the system always finds enough place and can be easily installed in any machine.



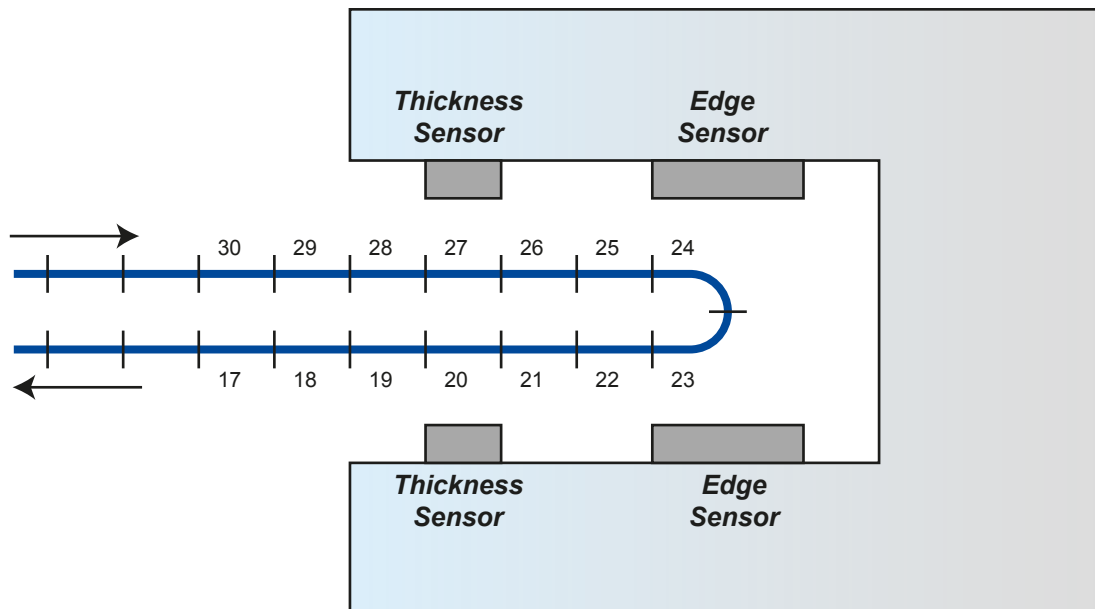
The installation work is minimal and can be easily done by factory technicians. The system is therefore rapidly and immediately put into service. Furthermore, its construction provides maintenance free service, high reliability and long usage life.

The S-100 is a capacitive thickness measuring system that measures barrier film without any additional settings or calibration. This also avoids costs for authorizations, adjustments, cleaning and disposal that are frequent with other conventional measuring devices.

■ The working principle

The thickness sensor measures the total thickness of the double film that is located in the stray field of the measuring capacitor.

The exact distribution of the thickness in the complete film perimeter is determined in the following way:



The complete film perimeter will be divided in several sections. The thickness sensor measures the sum of the upper and lower film sections. The rotating movement of the haul-off or the die causes a continuous variation of the measured sections.

1. Measured Value: $d_{t_{20+27}} = d_{20} + d_{27}$
2. Measured Value: $d_{t_{21+28}} = d_{21} + d_{28}$
3. Measured Value: $d_{t_{22+29}} = d_{22} + d_{29}$
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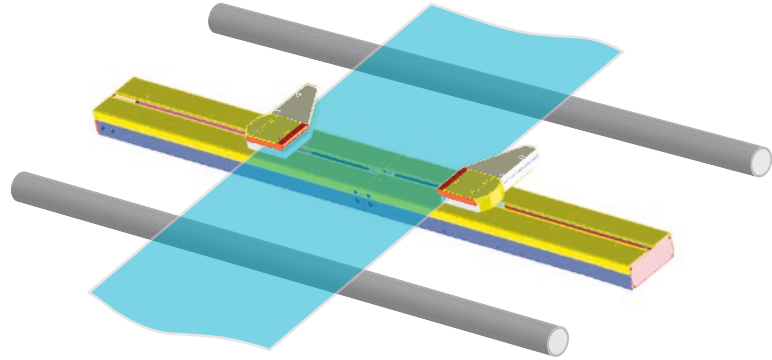
With this system of equations, the software of the data processor calculates the exact thickness of every film section by means of algorithms.

On machines with reversing haul-off or die, the profile displacement caused by the change of rotating direction is calculated and corrected through correlated algorithms.

■ Versions / Extensions

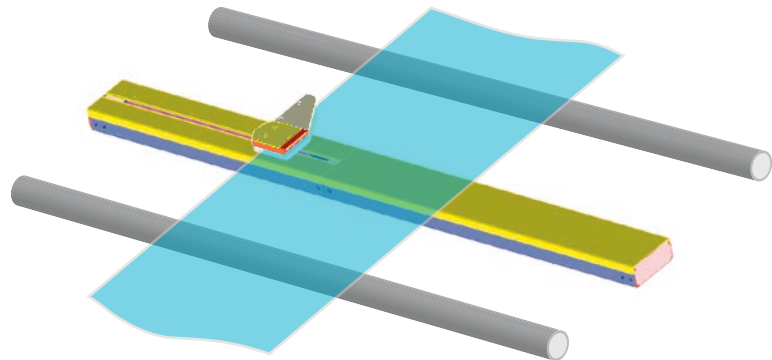
S-100 TWIN

On machines with reversing haul-off or die. The reversing angle must represent at least 240°.



S-100 SINGLE

On machines with rotary haul-off or die.



Comparison between S-100 TWIN and S-100 SINGLE

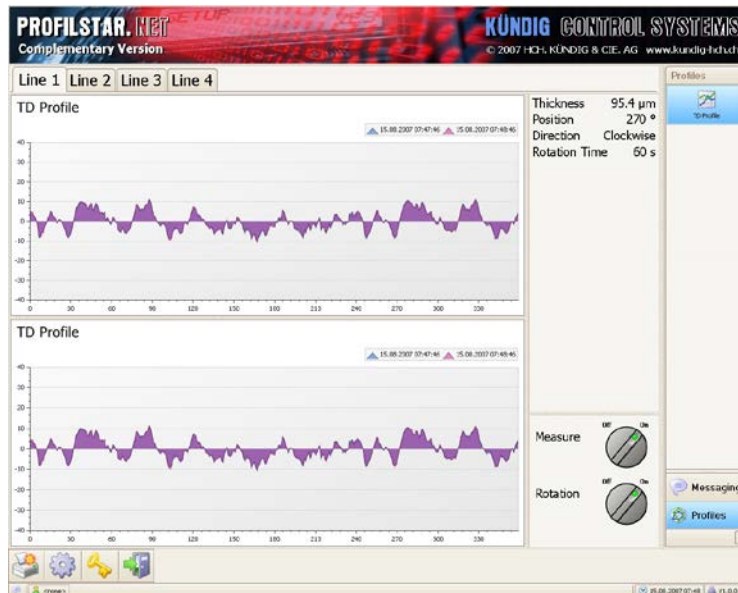
	Barrier film	Const. rotating die / haul-off	Oscillating die / haul-off	Layflat measurement	Web position measurement
S-100 TWIN	✓	✓ ↻	✓	✓	✓
S-100 SINGLE	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗

↻ 2 measured profiles per rotation

■ Connections and interfaces

PROFILSTAR.NET

The PROFILSTAR.NET is a complete visualization system for process optimization and quality control. Up to 16 lines, equipped with Kündig thickness gauges and / or layflat control systems, can be connected to one PROFILSTAR.NET unit.



PCD-LINK via RS-422 or UDP/IP Ethernet

The proven PCD-LINK protocol, used for the communication between control system and any Kündig measuring device, is now available via RS-422 and also via UDP/IP Ethernet with the new data processor. So it is still compatible with existing host computers but at the same time offers a new and very cost efficient version.

Both ports can be used at the same time, for example one port for the control system and the other port to record the data.

KCS-API and KCS-Process

For a fast and easy integration of Kündig measuring devices into Windows based control systems, we now offer a KCS-API (Application Programming Interface) in the widely used programming language C. The KCS-API is delivered as a DLL (Dynamic Link Library) and a KCS Process (Windows application) that acts as a driver.

Analog output

Still available is a connection with an analog signal. In this case, the measured thickness value is transmitted as an analog signal, while the rotation signals are presented in a digital form.



■ S-100 Technical data

Electrical interface values

Power supply	230 VAC ± 10%, 50-60 Hz
Power consumption	max. 110 VA
Nominal current	0.5 A
Switch-on peak current	1.5 A

Ambient temperature

Data processor	max. 131 °F (55 °C)
Measuring head	max. 158 °F (70 °C)
Transport and storage	-40 °F to 158 °F (-40 °C to 70 °C)

Thickness measurement

Measuring principle	Capacitive thickness measurement Suitable for all electrically non-conducting material
Measuring frequency	400 kHz
Measuring range	0.2 to 12 mil * (5 to 300 µm) > 12 mil on request
Measuring interval	200 ms
Resolution	0.004 mil * (0.1 µm)
Accuracy after calibration	0.2 to 0.4 mil (5 to 10 µm) ⇔ 0.008 mil (0.2mm) > 0.4 mil (10 µm) ⇔ 1% *
Temperature drift	Compensated

Ambient conditions

Ambient temperature	73.4 °F ± 3.6 °F (23 °C ± 2 °C)
Measured film	LDPE-film, at 122 °F (50 °C) approx.

* Thickness of single film

■ Calculation of amortization

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \boxed{\text{Material output}} \quad \boxed{\text{lb/h}} \quad \times \quad \boxed{\text{Operation time}} \quad \boxed{\text{h/day}} \quad \times \quad \boxed{\text{Operation time}} \quad \boxed{\text{days/year}} \quad \times \quad \boxed{\text{Material price}} \quad \boxed{\$/\text{lb}} \quad = \quad \boxed{\text{Material throughput}} \quad \boxed{\$/\text{year}} \\
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 \boxed{\text{Material throughput}} \quad \boxed{\$/\text{year}} \quad \times \quad \boxed{\text{Optimization}} \quad \boxed{\%/100} \quad = \quad \boxed{\text{Material savings}} \quad \boxed{\$/\text{year}} \quad \text{Investment} \quad \boxed{\$/\text{year}} \quad : \quad \boxed{\text{Material savings}} \quad \boxed{\$/\text{year}} \quad = \quad \boxed{\text{Amortization time}} \quad \boxed{\text{years}}
 \end{array}$$



Questionnaire application technology

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Contact person _____ E-mail _____

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We are interested in

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Online thickness gauge | <input type="checkbox"/> Width measurement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Online thickness gauge and automatic profile control | <input type="checkbox"/> Width measurement and control |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Offline system for film thickness | <input type="checkbox"/> Meter weight control |

Specifications of existing line

Film width: Min. _____ inch Max. _____ inch
 Film thickness: Min. _____ μ m Max. _____ μ m
 Throughput: Min. _____ lb/h Max. _____ lb/h
 Line speed: Min. _____ ft/min Max. _____ ft/min

Extrusion: Monoextrusion Coextrusion ___ Layers
 ___ Components ___ Components per layer

Processed materials: _____

IBC: Yes No

Gusseted films: Yes No

Die: Fixed Reversing Rotating

Haul-off: Fixed Reversing Rotating

Width of roll at haul-off: _____ inch

Rotation time: Min. _____ min Max. _____ min

Power supply: _____ VAC _____ Hz (single phase)

Existing measuring and control units: Thickness gauge Profile control system
 Width measurement Width control
 Meter weight control Line speed control

Brand of existing line: _____

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Product overview

K-300 Rotomat KT

Online thickness gauge with rotating scanner

KNC-400 Rotomat KT

Online thickness gauge for sticky
and sensitive films

KNC-600 Linear Scanner

Online thickness gauge for cast film

K-NDC Rotomat KT

Nuclear online thickness gauge
for barrier films

K-300 CF Gauge

Online thickness gauge
for quality supervision

S-50

Online thickness gauge
for quality supervision

S-100

Capacitive online thickness gauge
for barrier films

FE-7

Width measurement and control
for lines with or without IBC

FILMTEST

Offline measurement for quality control

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