LaCam[®] - M 4th generation





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LaCam[®] - M4 mobile version





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LaCam[®] - M4 Laser Scanner Profile Measurement in Hot Vessels and Transport Ladles

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sold more than 260 laser measuring units world wide

(165 mobile versions and 99 fixed versions)



3D Laser Profile Measurement

- Increases Safety
- Reduces Cost
- Extends Refractory Life
- Optimizes Processes





Benefits



Safety

Minimize dangerous and expensive break-outs

Extension of vessel life by

Accurate measurement of refractory lining

Visualization and measurement of high wear areas

- Optimization of vessel brick lining
- Trend analysis and forecast of vessel lining life (accurate planning of downtimes)



Process Control, Maintenance

Bath level measurement for optimal lance positioning

- Improved control of slag splashing and slag coating practices
- Control of gunning material selection and consumption
 - Optimization of tapping angle





Technical details

Depending on application up to 4 million measuring points are achievable with a scan of 30 seconds due to a laser repetition rate of 300 KHz and an extended vertical viewing angle of 110°. The smallest laser beam size of 3 mm is offering the highest resolution and best accuracy. This allows improved joint and edge detection in ladles and other vessels.







Principle Time-of-Flight Measurement



- short laser pulse in a highly-collimated beam is sent in welldefined direction
- pulse is partially and diffusely reflected by target(s)
- receiver gathers backscattered optical signal (echo signal) and converts it into electrical signal
- receiver electronics detects target(s)
- time between start pulse and stop pulses is measured and gives range





LaCam[®] 4th generation

introduces new upgrades offering the best performance for our customers:





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Measuring Speed



- Reduced over all measurement time due to intelligent positioning methods Immediate Positioning System (IPS)
- Significant reduction of measurement time due to Instant Result Scanning (IRS)

Benefits:

- Fastest lasercanner for hot surfaces on the market
 - Laser Pulse Repetition Rate of 300 Khz
 - Scan Rate: 135,000 Measuring Points/sec.
 - Total time for one scan: less than 10 sec. (Scanframe 110° X 80°, 880,000 MeasuringPoints/Scan)
 - 4 Million measuring points within a scan of 30 sec. \rightarrow extreme high point density
- Results available and monitored after each single scan
- Ability to decide after each scan if areas of interest are already measured (no need to continue with additional scans)
- Echo digitization with full waveform analysis measurements are less sensitive to smoke and dust influence this leads to improved measuring results





Accuracy, Positioning



- Highest available accuracy, due to the use of latest laser scanner-technology and one scanner for positioning <u>and</u> measurement
 - Precision: +/-2 mm
 - Angular pointing accuracy: 0.0005°
 - Min. Angle stepp width: 0.0024°
 - Beam Diameter: 3 mm

Advantages in Positioning compared to competitors:

no additional errors based on: - second laser for positioning

- reflecting targets
- additional surveying measurement by a third party company

High flexibility in choosing structures for positioning due to multiple positioning methods (patented)





System Design



- Active water cooling allows unlimited use no down times between measurements required
- Sturdy construction and the multi-wheel cart-design enables an easy movement of the LaCam[®] - M
- Extended vertical viewing angle of 110°
- Permanent network access and remote access (also wireless)
- Safety: Overhead protection for operator against skulls or debris
- Integrated Pyrometer (optional) Benefit: allows temperature maps and tuyere status determination
- Operation mode: Battery or AC-power 85V 265V
 Benefit: enables operator to perform measurement (even if the battery is not fully charged)





Reliability, Service



- Reduced temperature stress on mechanical and electrical components due to active water cooling
- No need for maintenance of positioning system (extra targets)*
- User-friendly due to modular setup
- Active cooling system is monitored on-line

- Service teams available world wide, Minteq provides infrastructure in more than 40 countries.
- Experienced manufacturer of laser-profile measuring equipment with more than 260 sold units world wide.

*Competitor uses additional reflecting targets (which have to be cleaned) and a second laser for positioning which increases the overall error rate





Versatile methods for fast positioning: IPS





Trunnion ring as permanent structure, IPS-Frontscan



Cylindrical structures in the back of LaCam[®] as permanent structures, IPS Backscan

The mouth of a converter as temporary structure, IPS-Wearscan





Technics: Measuring Channels

Amplitude

Distance

Temperature







The LaCam[®] Family

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Mobile version for converters and ladles



Fixed installation for:

converters



ladles



Torpedo ladles



EAFs

open die forging plants











LaCam[®] fixed installation

The LaCam[®]-System is equipped with a guided system which allows to measure the whole vessel with multiple scans in a minimum of time. The operator is able to inspect the evaluated data simultaneously in different plots on one page.

Program 1: bottom and lower part of the vessel, (measurement will cover 60% of the converter)

less than 10 sec*

Program 2: bottom, lower part of the vessel, impact area and tapping area

48 sec*

Program 3: full converter

1 min 21 sec*

* Example for a total measuring time in fully automated operation under "normal" conditions







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¹⁷ Graphical User Interface and 3D for converter Application



Software features

- all relevant information on one page
- any user action will show the requested data in all plots simultaneously
- powerful 3D-grafics allows viewing the refractory lining from all perspectives

Converter inside

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Converter bottom

converter outside







¹⁸ Software features – presentation of measurement results:



- 3D resentation of the measured lining surface
- Lining thickness indicated by colour
- Calculated bath level displayed as a surface





Tapping angle depends on remaining steel melt





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LaCam[®] - CI/CIE, fixed Installations for Converters



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The ALL in ONE solution



Cabinet integrated with Cooling unit, chiller, electronic parts and space for extra customer solutions and demands







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