

# Sensors & Applications Wood & Furniture Industries



More Precision



## Sensors for the wood processing and furniture making industries

Micro-Epsilon offers innovative measurement solutions for the entire process chain in the wood processing and furniture making. From cutting of trunks to the control of incoming supplier parts, sensors from Micro-Epsilon provide high precision results.

The comprehensive product range includes solutions for almost any measurement task from displacement measurement and color recognition to 3D profile measurement. High quality sensors from Micro-Epsilon are developed and manufactured in Europe and have proven successful in harsh, industrial environments.

Compact and high speed sensors ensure highest reliability in almost any area where high precision is expected - from machine monitoring to fully automatic quality control of the final product.



### scanCONTROL 29xx

High-end automation scanner for high precision profile measurements

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Inline measurement of gap, profile, step, angle

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Red or blue laser line versions

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Measurement on numerous surfaces, also reflecting, transparent and mat



### colorSENSOR / colorCONTROL

Sensors for color recognition and color measurement

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Ideal for integration into processing lines due to high measuring rates

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High accuracy

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Robust and suitable for industrial applications



### optoCONTROL

Optical micrometers for precise applications

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Measuring ranges up to 98mm, measurement distance up to 2 m

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Detection of edges, gaps, positions and diameters of round objects

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Inspection and detection of position and presence

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Different models for numerous fields of application



### optoNCDT 1420

Compact laser triangulation displacement sensor for high speed, precision measurements

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Non-contact displacement and distance measurements with large measuring ranges from 10mm to 500mm

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High accuracy

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High measuring rate for dynamic measurements

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Compact design and easy installation

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Small measurement spot for detection of smallest objects



# Displacement and thickness measurements



## optoNCDT

- Laser triangulation sensors with measuring ranges up to 1000mm
- Precise measurement from a safe distance
- High measuring rate for high speed process monitoring
- High accuracy

Laser sensors are perfectly suitable for wood processing applications. They are very compact and operate using an integrated controller. Intelligent electronics enables fast exposure adaption to changing surface characteristics on dry, wet or frozen wood.

All models are protected to IP67 and can be equipped with an additional protection housing if necessary. In dusty environments, an air purge system is used which keeps the laser beam path free from sawdust and wood shavings.

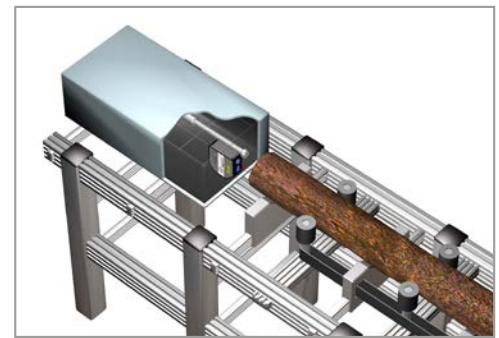
### Application examples

In wood processing, the optoNCDT laser sensors are used for a diverse range of measurement tasks. They increase production output, ensure high quality standards, provide high process reliability and protect tools from possible damage.

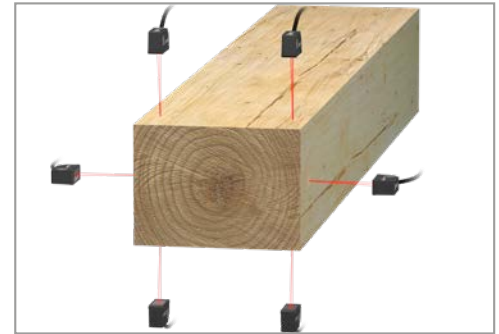
For thickness and width measurement of plates, planks and beams, two optoNCDT sensors are used. To ensure precise, error-free thickness measurements, a fully synchronous measurement process is required. If this arrangement is complemented by further sensors, one measurement process can combine the inspection of torsion with control of dimensions.

Several optoNCDT sensors are used for example, to inspect the wane prior to the trimming process. During this process, the sensors detect the profile of the plank, enabling to optimization of cut width. Further application possibilities include wood sorting, the corresponding classification and dimensional inspection.

Furthermore, optoNCDT sensors are used in downstream processes such as multi-track planarity control of doors, windows and plates.



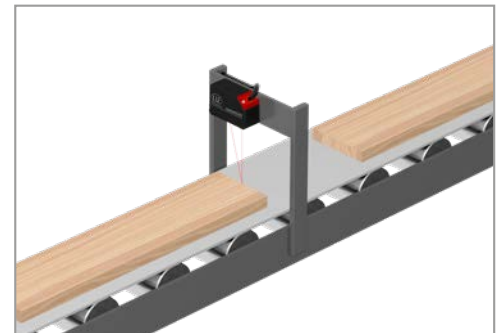
Quality inspection of wood



Dimension control of beams



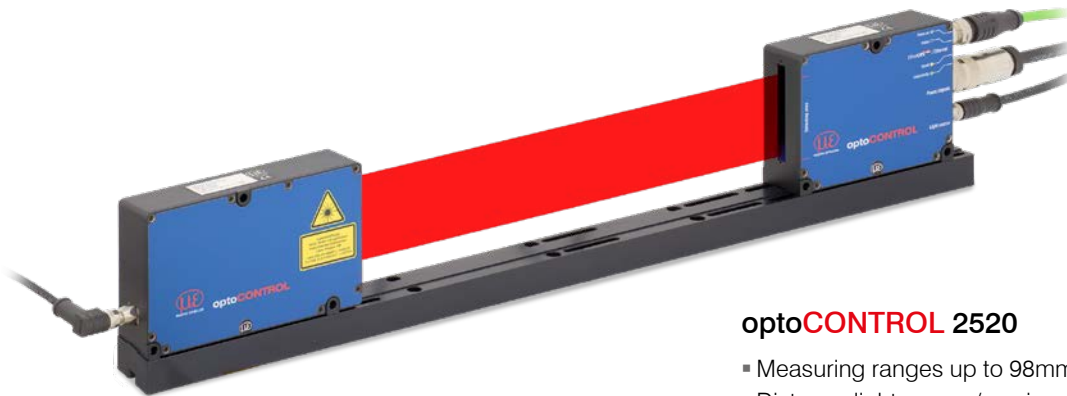
Plank positioning prior to sawing



Wood edge

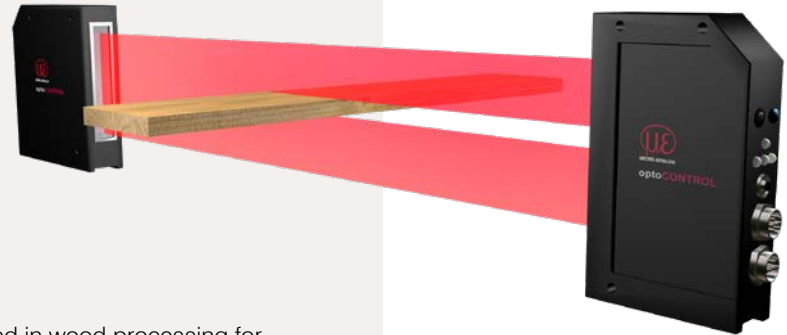


# Thickness measurement and positioning



## optoCONTROL 2520

- Measuring ranges up to 98mm
- Distance light source/receiver up to 2m
- Measurement by Laser or LED
- For high speed measurements
- Micrometer-accurate measurements of diameter, gap and segment



The optoCONTROL optical micrometers are used in wood processing for quality control of plates, laminate, veneers and panels in order to determine their thickness. For larger objects, several optoCONTROL devices can be used and synchronized with one another.

When printing woods with appealing decors, optoCONTROL micrometers are used to control the positions of the plate. This prevents the printing head from colliding with the plate. The measurement devices measure directly on wood and monitor the tools.





# Profile measurement



## scanCONTROL

- Compact laser scanner with integrated controller
- High profile frequency for dynamic measurements
- Can be synchronized for multi-scanner applications
- Various measuring ranges
- Blue Laser sensors for high precision measurements

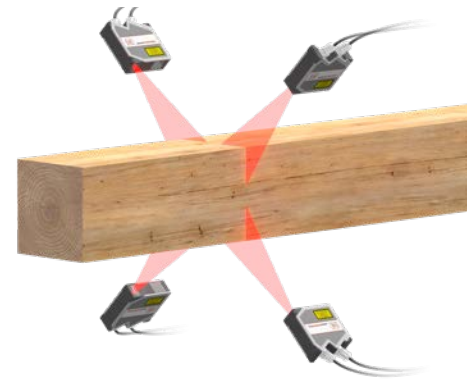


The scanCONTROL laser profile scanner is used for two-dimensional detection of surface profiles. A laser line is projected onto the target surface. The high quality receiving system projects the diffusely reflected light of this laser line onto a highly sensitive sensor matrix. In addition to distance information (z-axis), the integrated controller in the sensors also uses this camera image to calculate the position along the laser line (x-axis). In the case of moving objects or a traversing sensor, it is therefore possible to obtain 3D measurement values.

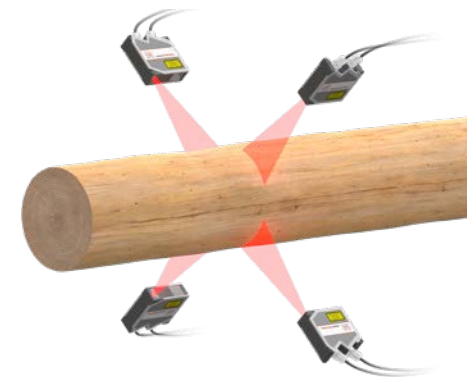
In the wood processing industry, the scanCONTROL laser scanners are used, for example, to optimize of the cutting profile. A 3D model enables the calculation of an optimal cutting pattern for each trunk. After cutting, the dimensions are controlled using laser scanners. At the same time, rectangularity and warpage are inspected.



Profile measurement of milled wood



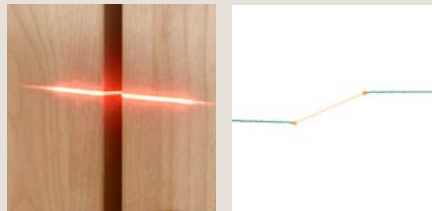
Inspection of the sawn geometry



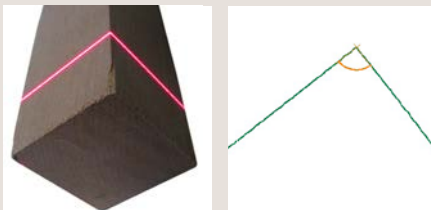
Surface profile of a tree trunk



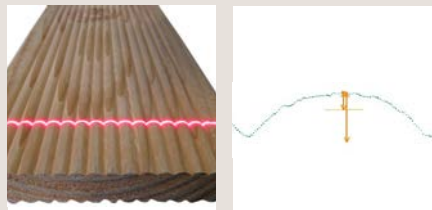
Profile inspection of parquet board edges



Gap measurement on wood



Rectangularity of wooden posts



Inspection of wood floorboard relief

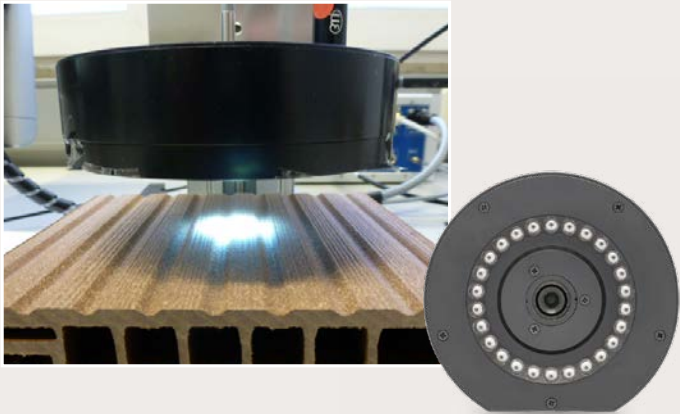
# Color measurement



## colorSENSOR / colorCONTROL

- Sensors for color recognition and color measurement
- Ideal for integration into processing lines due to high measuring rates
- High accuracy
- Continuous strip production
- Robust and suitable for industrial applications





### Color measurement of floorboards

Plastic floorboards are made of colored granules and shaped by extrusion. This is why it is essential that the desired color of the floorboards is homogenous even if they are produced in different batches.

The inspection is carried out using the colorCONTROL ACS7000 spectral color measurement system and the ACS2 circular sensor (R45°c:0°). In the circular sensor, 24 lighting optics are arranged in a circular fashion around the receiving optics, providing continuous lighting that allows measurements to be carried out regardless of the angular position of the target object. Equipped with digital interfaces operating with high speeds, the sensor can be used directly in the extrusion line.

### Color detection of kitchen fronts

Kitchens are available in many different styles and colors. In order to ensure consistent color of different front panels, color sensors from Micro-Epsilon are used. The sensors inspect the color of the kitchen fronts in the painting plant. Color sensors ensure that the color shade is within the specified tolerances. Even the smallest color deviations imperceptible to the human eye can be detected reliably. Furthermore, the sensors used inspect if the color is constant over several production batches. This ensures homogeneous colors of different components used for kitchen fronts.

### Presence monitoring of transparent, protective film

After the plastic profiles for windows are extruded, a protective film is applied onto these profiles. This film protects the frames from scratches and dirt which can result from the delivery.

The colorCONTROL ACS7000 color measurement system checks if the protective film has been applied correctly. The color of the window frames alters a little after the film has been applied. The spectral colorCONTROL ACS7000 recognizes this color difference reliably. Its high measuring rate enables the system to be used inline.



## Sensors and Systems from Micro-Epsilon



Sensors and systems for displacement, distance and position



Sensors and measurement devices for non-contact temperature measurement



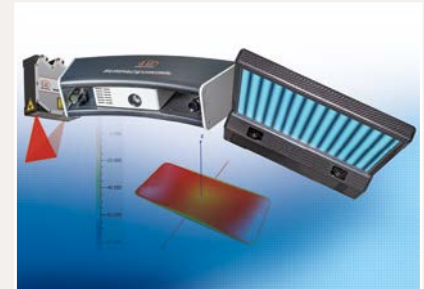
Measuring and inspection systems for metal strips, plastics and rubber



Optical micrometers and fiber optics, measuring and test amplifiers



Color recognition sensors, LED analyzers and inline color spectrometers



3D measurement technology for dimensional testing and surface inspection

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Whether it is for quality assurance, predictive maintenance, process and machine monitoring, automation or R&D – sensors from Micro-Epsilon make a vital contribution to the improvement of products and processes. High precision sensors and measuring systems solve measurement tasks in all core industries – from machine building to automated production lines and integrated OEM solutions.



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