

# **THICKNESS CHECK**

NON-CONTACT THICKNESS MEASUREMENT OF FLAT PRODUCTS







## **CALIX – NON-CONTACT INLINE THICKNESS MEASUREMENT**

The CALIX series is a non-contact measuring system, particularly designed to assure process and quality control of flat products. Our thickness measuring systems replace complicated adjustments from distance sensors and measuring frame. CALIX systems are easy to install and to operate - each unit is calibrated and linearized during factory certification.

The LAP CALIX is offered in different sizes, measuring ranges and depths according to the respective requirements of the industry. In addition, a traversing solution to move the CALIX on fixed rails and thus measure the complete profile of the products is available as an option. Independent of measuring range and depths, CALIX systems provide precise measurements on almost all materials.

# **MEASURING RANGE**

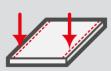


**STRIP THICKNESS** 



THICKNESS PROFILE





EDGE THICKNESS

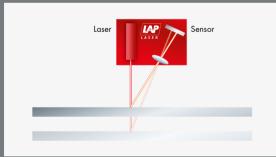


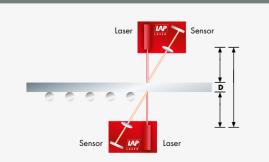
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# **MEASUREMENT PRINCIPLE**





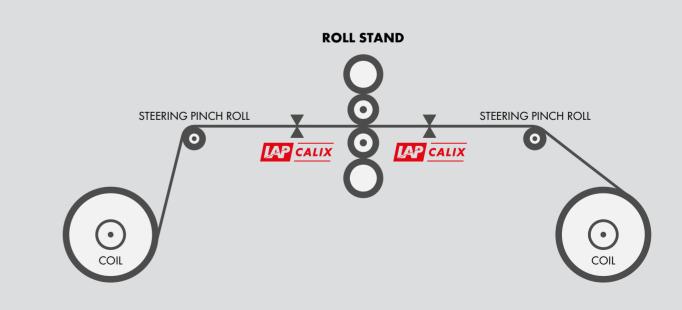
### FUNCTIONALITY: LASER TRIANGULATION

A laser beam emitted from the sensor creates a visible spot on the surface of the measured object. The camera detects this reflected spot in a distance-based angle. Using this angle and the known distance of laser and camera, the Digital Signal Processor computes the distance between the sensor and the measured object.

### APPLICATION: MEASUREMENT BY DIFFERENCE METHOD

The thickness (D) is calculated by subtracting the measured distances from both sensors to the sheet from the total distance of sensors.

# **ROLL ALIGNMENT**



### PROCESS OPTIMIZATION AND QUALITY ASSURANCE

Our mission is to simplify quality control for your production and to optimize the production process itself. The LAP CALIX is specifically designed for the non-contact inline measurement of flat products and replaces radiometric methods, thus no emissions regulations of any kind have to be complied with. Simultaneously, the quick and precise functioning of the measuring system allows higher productivity due to maximum production speed. Exact values, the highest possible accuracy despite the environment, as well as the easy handling are the distinguishing characteristics of the LAP CALIX.

- Process monitoring in real time
- Checks dimensions and displays trends
- Detection of dimensional defects
- Rapid system feedback results in less scrap
- Increased profit through narrower thickness tolerances



## CALIX S EASY TO INSTALL, **CONNECT, MEASURE**

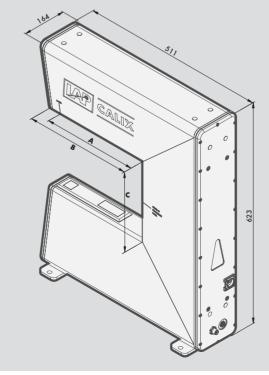
The LAP CALIX S with its compact measuring frame is especially suitable for edge measurements on the production line and for small strip. The measured data is a permanent control, which enables process optimization and fully documented quality. The measured values are output in a digital form. The lasers are precisely aligned under factory controlled conditions, avoiding complicated adjustments of the laser sensors and the related possible errors. Due to its space-saving design as well as fast calibration, the LAP CALIX S is an ideal complement to all cold strip processing lines.

- Easy calibration
- Highest precision
- Quick measurement (up to 4 kHz)
- Ethernet data interface

# **TECHNICAL DATA**

	CALIX S 10	CALIX S 30
Measuring range [mm]	10	30
Measuring depth A [mm]	250	250
Throat depth B [mm]	300	300
Throat height C [mm]	200	200
Resolution [µm]	0.2	0.5
Repeatability* (time) [µm]	± 0.35	± 1
Accuracy* [µm]	± 2.5	± 7.5
Dimensions $[H \times W \times T]$	623 × 164 × 511	623 × 164 × 511
Weight [kg]	approx. 20	approx. 20
Laser type, wavelength	Diode, 670 nm, red	
Laser class	2/ 3B**	
Sampling frequency	Can be parameterised, up to 4 kHz	
Interfaces	Ethernet, RS485, TCP/IP, UDP via external gateway	
Power supply	24 V DC , max 500 mA	
Ambient conditions	0 40 C, 35 85 % rel. humidity, non-condensing	
Protection class	IP 65	
*derived from DIN 32877 **3B with a laser power > 1 mW, depending on material and usage		

# LAYOUT







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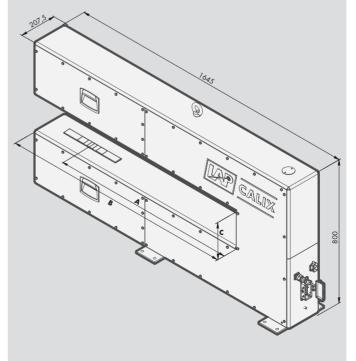
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## CALIX XL THE LONG RANGE SPECIALIST

For measurements in the centerline of the material or over the entire material width, the LAP CALIX XL offers the right solution with its traversing thickness measurement. LAP designs and manufactures the appropriate traversing rails for your application, fully automatic or manually operable to move the sensor out of the production line as needed and to return it later to the measuring position. The measuring depth of more than 1 meter allows for enough movement in most applications, that may be realized without a stationary, massive O-frame. Regardless of the composition of the material, you get accurate measurement results at a measuring frequency of up to 4 kHz.

- Two-angle triangulation on request
- Highest precision
- Quick measurement (up to 4 kHz)

# LAYOUT



# **TECHNICAL DATA**

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1.300		
200		
0.5		
± 0.5		
± 2		
800 × 300 × 1645		
capprox. 230		
Diode, 670 nm, red		
2/ 3B**		
Can be parameterised, up to 4 kHz		
Ethernet, RS485, TCP/IP, UDP via external gateway		
24 V DC , max 500 mA		
0 40 C, 35 85 % rel. humidity, non-condensing		
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# **BENEFITS**



LARGE MEASURING DEPTH



**INDIVIDUAL SOLUTIONS WITH** TRAVERSING MEASUREMENT



HIGH PRECISION REGARDLESS **OF THE MATERIAL** 



**QUALITY ASSURANCE WITH MEASUREMENT HISTORY** 

# CONFIGURATION

Depending on the task and width of the material, there are several ways to use CALIX:

- single track measurement: CALIX S width up to 500 mm CALIX XL width up to 2000 mm
- one sensor traversina measurement: CALIX S width up to 250 mm CALIX XL width up to 1000 mm
- two sensors traversing measurement: CALIX S width up to 500 mm CALIX XL width up to 2000 mm
- multi-track measurement, e.g. using three sensors: width 1400 mm: 2 × CALIX S, tracks with up to 250 mm distance to edge 1 × CALIX XL for center track



### **GUIDANCE RAILS**

LAP offers rails for the CALIX which are customized for your application. You may move CALIX:

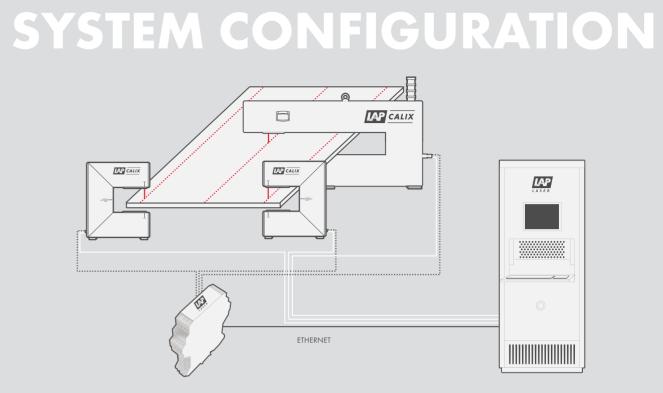
- manually and lock them in place at a measuring or a maintenance position
- by drive mechanism and lock them in different positions
- automated to programmed positions
- according to measurement programs for traversing or multi-track measurement.

# SERVICE

### **MAINTENANCE – INSPECTION – REPAIRS** SOFTWARE ENHANCEMENT

LAP stays right by your side before, during and after the installation of a LAP system. International experience acquired over decades in the installation and maintenance of laser systems across virtually all industries makes us a reliable and competent partner. For detailed information you can download our service brochure.





Example of a 3-track measuring arrangement

### REFERENCES

With our systems and services specifically tailored to the needs of the industry, we significantly support the day-to-day business of many big players in the steel market. Our goal is to create added value for our customers. Establishing a reliable connection and developing a successful partnership are our top priorities. Here is a selection of our worldwide projects:

#### **NETHERLANDS**

Using the CALIX XL for the measurement in a pickling line Thickness measurement with 4 CALIX S on a line in the with a thickness of 0.125-8.0 mm and a width from range of 1.0–8.0 mm and a width of 520–660 mm. 600-1910 mm. The speed of the line is up to 300 m/min. Another 4 CALIX were installed in 2016

### **CHINA**

Non-contact measurement in a cold rolling mill. One CALIX XL set in front of the roller for the thickness measurement of 1.0-4.0 mm and another CALIX XL set after the roller for the thickness measurement of 0.7-3.0 mm. The speed is 180 m/min.

### USA

A CALIX XL is used in a pickling line to check the sheet thickness in the range of 2–9 mm. The width of the material is 1350 mm. The material temperature is a maximum of 60 °C.

Strip thickness measurement with two CALIX XL in one lane over half the bandwidth continuously traversing. These are fastened at each side of the roller table on an electric moveable adjustment unit. The thickness to be determined is in the range of 0.4-4.0 mm.

### **TAIWAN**

### **SPAIN**

4 CALIX S integrated to a battery plate with the thickness of 1.4-1.8 mm. During the ongoing production process 700 pieces per minute will be transported on tape.

### GERMANY

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### THICKNESS CHECK, HIGH-TECH QUALITY BY LAP

For more than 30 years, LAP has been developing, manufacturing and distributing laser measurement systems, line lasers and laser template projectors for industrial and medical applications. LAP products are high-precision devices *Made in Germany*. Using LAP laser systems, our customers improve performance and increase the quality of their products as well as the effectiveness of their processes. As a result of continuous product innovation, LAP has become a world leader in lasers for projection and measurement. LAP products are setting the standards in a wide range of markets from manufacturing to heavy industrial environments and medical applications.

Environmental protection is important to us. We use solar panels, green electricity and roofs planted with grass. Our production is planned by standards of sustainability. Quality has always been part of our commitment. We are content if you are. We know your high demands. To meet your requirements, the quality management of LAP is certified by DIN EN ISO 9001:2008 for industrial products and by EN ISO 13485:2007 for medical engineering products.

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