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Encoder and motor feedback systems for wind power systems

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Both in Factory and Process Automation, SICK is a technology- and market leader – the competent, tried and tested partner, especially where application in harsh environments is concerned.



Knowing where the wind blows from

Variable-speed, pitch-controlled systems are the current state of the art in wind energy system construction. They are best suited to the harsh conditions in onshore and offshore operations.

Build on SICK-STEGMANN's competence, demonstrated by over ten years' experience in this segment and more than 20,000 encoders installed in pitchcontrolled systems. Our "star": the ATM60 absolute multiturn encoder – extremely robust and extremely reliable

The tendency for offshore wind energy systems is increasing, as are requirements in terms of robustness and resistance to environmental effects.

The ATM60 absolute multiturn encoder from SICK-STEGMANN reliably provides the speed data required, even under harsh environmental conditions. In this rotary system for measuring distances, angles and positions, a sensor scans permanent magnet elements arranged to provide angular position information. The encoder's multiturn feature is achieved by several reduction gear units with additional magnets and sensors.

In contrast to encoders with battery-buffered counters, SICK-STEGMANN multiturn encoders operate reliably in electrically noisy environments, whilst being maintenance-free and longlasting.



ATM60 blind hollow shaft



SRS/SRM64

Using the zero set button the encoder can be comfortably set, in situ, to zero or a user-programmed value.

Magnetic scanning, a robust housing (IP67 rating) and high shock and vibration resistance make the ATM60 ideal for use in wind energy systems in onshore and offshore operations.

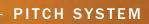


ATM60 zero set button



SRS/SRM50 stand-alone

Whether for wind direction adaptation via azimuth adjustment or for pitch adjustment, thousands of ATM60 encoders from SICK-STEGMANN have been successfully operating in wind energy systems for many years. Quality and reliability – see for yourself!





Small helpers for great performance

Wind power systems must operate at near 100 % availability. Hence quality and reliability are extremely important.

Opt for the proven SICK-STEGMANN solutions:

Rotor blade adjustment and gondola adaptation with absolute singleturn and multiturn encoders

Absolute encoders generate data related to position, angle and speed, with a unique digital code allocated to each angular position. The number of unique codes for each revolution determines the resolution capability. Since an absolute position is allocated to each unique code, a reference run is not required. This means that the current position value is available even after voltage failure.

In the case of multiturn encoders, the multiturn information is determined using gear stages with magnets attached. The absolute position is mapped onto the magnet, by the unique structure, and thus is completely independent of the encoder's voltage state.

With SSI, Profibus, CANopen and DeviceNet, all common interfaces are available for data transmission to the respective control system.

Measuring the rotor speed with incremental encoders

Incremental encoders generate data related to position, angle and speed using a number of lines on a code disc.

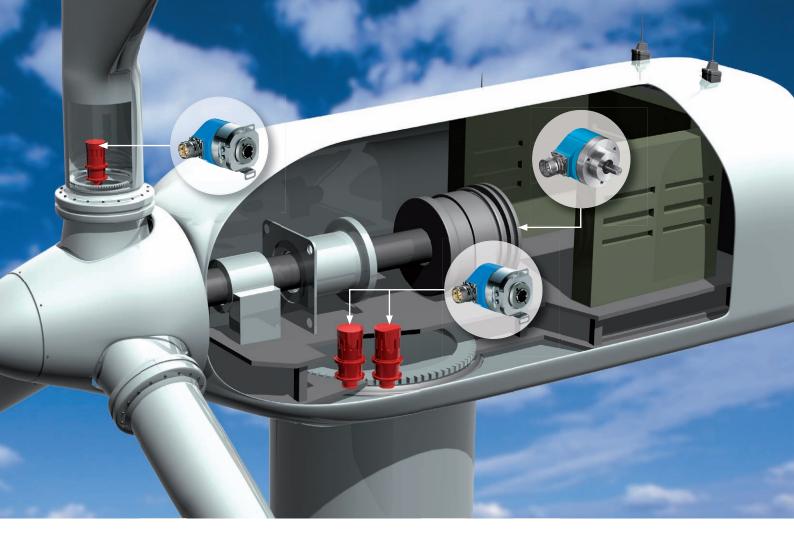
The number of lines per revolution determines the resolution capability. The respective position is determined by counting the pulses produced by scanning the lines from a defined reference point. Following power down, a reference run is required in order to determine the absolute position.





Stand-alone motor feedback systems, singleturn and multiturn, with HIPERFACE[®] interface.

SRS/SRM series motor feedback systems are particularly suited to absolute position finding, with the number of steps being 32,768 per revolution as well as a maximum of 4,096 revolutions – giving a total resolution of 134,217,728 steps. Sine/ cosine signals are used to fulfil the speed monitoring function. The storing of motorspecific data in the electronic type label and programming both are important features of these series.





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FACTORY AUTOMATION

With its intelligent sensors, safety systems, and auto ident applications, SICK realises comprehensive solutions for factory automation.

- Non-contact detecting, counting, classifying, and positioning of any types of object
- Accident protection and personal safety using sensors, as well as safety software and services

LOGISTICS AUTOMATION

Sensors made by SICK form the basis for automating material flows and the optimisation of sorting and warehousing processes.

- Automated identification with bar code and RFID reading devices for the purpose of sorting and target control in industrial material flow
- Detecting volume, position, and contours of objects and surroundings with laser measurement systems

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Analyzers and Process Instrumentation by SICK MAIHAK provides for the best possible acquisition of environmental and process data.

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