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Quick Manual

interferoMETER

IMS5200-TH

IMS5200MP-TH

Contents

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https://www.micro-epsilon.com/download-file/man--interferometer-5200--en.pdf

General

Symbols used

The following symbols are used in this document:

⚠ CAUTION	Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.
NOTICE	Indicates a situation that may result in property damage if not avoided.
➪	Indicates a user action.
i	Indicates a tip for users.
`Measure`	Indicates hardware or a software button/menu.

Warnings

⚠ CAUTION

Avoid unnecessary laser radiation to be exposed to the human body.

➪ Switch off the controller for cleaning and maintenance.

➪ Switch off the controller for system maintenance and repair if the controller is integrated into a system.

Caution - use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified may cause harm.

Connect the power supply and the display/output device according to the safety regulations for electrical equipment.
> Risk of injury, damage to or destruction of the controller

NOTICE

The supply voltage must not exceed the specified limits.
> Damage to or destruction of the controller

NOTICE

Avoid shocks and impacts to the sensor and the controller.
> Damage to or destruction of the components

Never kink optical fibers or bend them in thight radii.
> Damage to or destruction of the optical fibers; failure of measurement device

Protect the ends of the optical fibers against contamination
> Failure of the measuring device

Protect the cable against damage.
> Failure of the measuring device

Intended Use

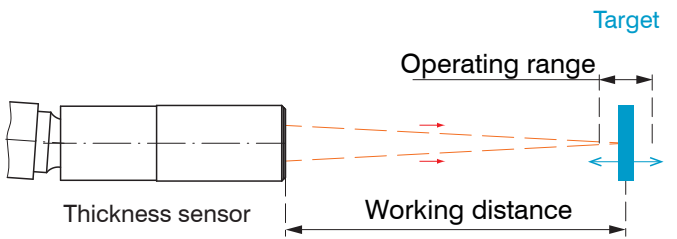
- The interferoMETER measuring system is designed for use in an industrial environments and domestic areas. It is used for measuring thickness, monitoring quality and checking dimensions.
- The measuring system must only be operated within the limits specified in the technical data, see operating instructions chap. 2.
- The measuring system must be used in such a way that no persons are endangered or machines and other material goods are damaged in the event of malfunction or total failure of the controller.
- Take additional precautions for safety and damage prevention in case of safety-related applications.

Proper Environment

Model		IMS5200-TH	IMS5200MP-TH
Protection class	Sensor	IP65 (option /VAC IP40)	
	Controller	IP40	
Temperature range	Storage	-20 … +70 °C (-4 ... +158 °F)	
	Operation Sensor	+10 … +50 °C (+50 ... +122 °F)	
	Operation Controller	+10 … +50 °C (+50 ... +122 °F)	
Humidity		5 – 95 % (non-condensing)	

Ambient pressure	Atmospheric pressure
EMC	According to EN 61000-6-3 / EN 61326-1 (Class B) and EN 61 000-6-2 / EN 61326-1

Glossary



You can find further information about the sensors in the operating instructions, chapter Technical Data.

Operating Modes

The interferoMETER measuring system measures thicknesses with high precision on transparent and multi-layer materials, e.g., glass or coatings, at a wavelength of 570 nm.

Glass	1 ... 100 µm
Gap measurement between two glass plates	1.5 ... 150 µm

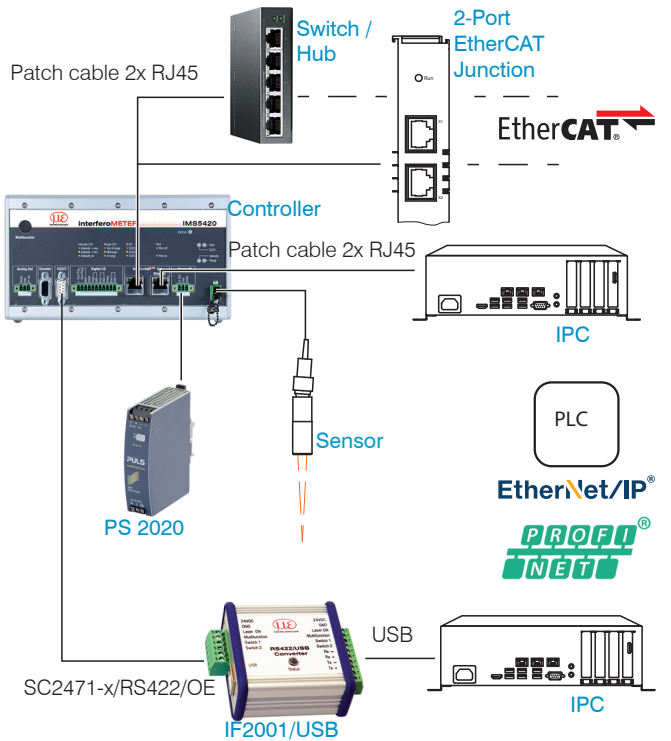
Measuring ranges for thickness measurements

The possible resolution here is in the nanometer range.

To get started quickly, it is recommended to use saved configurations (presets) for various targets and applications, see Chap. Presets, Measurement Configuration.

Setup, Connection Options

Connect the components together and mount the sensors into the clamps.



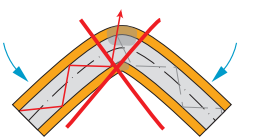
Connection examples on IMS5200, IMS5200MP

A more detailed description of the connection options is available in the operating instructions.

Sensor Cable

Sensor and controller are connected through an optical fiber.

- Do not shorten or extend the optical fiber.
- Do not pull or hold the sensor on the optical fiber.



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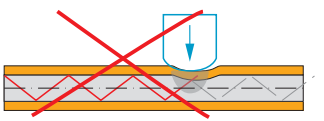
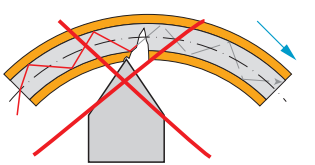
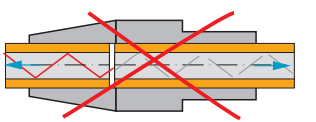


Do not crush the optical fiber, do not fasten it using cable ties.



Please do not grind the optical fiber over sharp corners.



Do not pull the optical fiber.

Cleaning of the connectors requires the corresponding know-how.

General Rules

As a matter of principle, avoid:

- any contamination of the connector, e.g., dust or finger prints
- unnecessary mating cycles.
- any mechanical stress of the optical fiber (bending, crushing, pulling, twisting, knotting etc.).
- tight curvature of the optical fiber because the glass fiber is damaged in the process and this causes permanent damage.

Never bend the cable more tightly than the permissible bending radius.

Fixed:
R = 30 mm or more

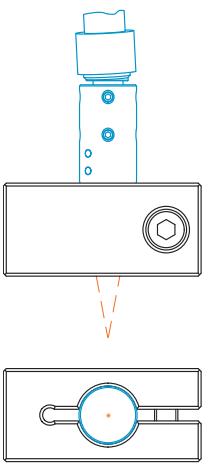
Flexible:
R = 40 mm or more

Mounting, Mounting Adapter

The sensors use an optical measuring principle that allows for measurements in the nm range.

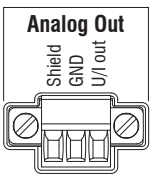
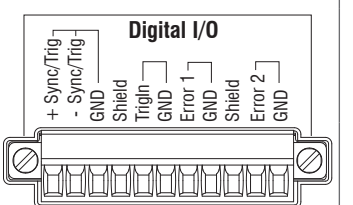
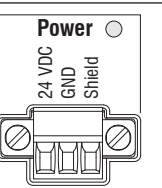
i Ensure careful handling during installation and operation.

➡ Mount the sensors with an outer clamp. Use the MA5400-10 mounting adapter from the optional accessories.



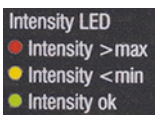
This type of sensor installation ensures the highest level of reliability because the sensor's cylindrical cover is clamped over a relatively large area.

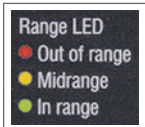
Electrical Connectors, IMS5200

Pin	Description	Comments	
U/I out	Voltage output	0 ... 5 V; 0 ... 10 V; R_i appr. 50 Ohm 5.5 V / 10.9 V with error, outside measuring range	
	Current output	4 ... 20 mA; $R_L \leq$ 500 Ohm 23.7 mA with error, outside measuring range	
GND	Ground analog output	Galvanically connected with supply	
+Sync/Trig -Sync/Trig	Synchronization input/output, trigger input	RS422 level (EIA422)	
TrigIn	Trigger input	TTL or HTL level TTL: Low ≤ 0.8 V, High ≥ 2 V HTL: Low ≤ 3 V, High ≥ 8 V	
Error 1 / 2	Switch outputs	NPN, PNP or Push-Pull I_{max} = 100 mA, $U_{H\,max}$ = 30 V	
GND	Ground potentials	All GND conductors are interconnected with one another and to supply voltage ground.	
24 VDC	Supply voltage	± 15 %, I_{max} < 1 A	
GND	Supply voltage ground	GND is galvanically connected to GND of switching outputs, synchronization, analog and encoder input	
Shield	Shields to respective output/input, connector housing		

The plug-in screw terminals are designed for a conductor cross-section of 0.14 mm² up to 1.5 mm².

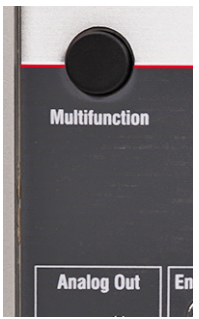
LEDs Controller

Power on	Green	Supply voltage available
Status	Off	No error
	If EtherCAT is active, meaning of the LED is conform with the Ether-CAT guidelines.	
	Red	Signal in saturation
	Yellow	Signal too low
	Green	Signal ok

	Red	No target object, or target object outside the operating range. The expected number of peaks was not found or it was not possible to assign a thickness.
	Green	Target within operating range The expected number of peaks was found. A valid thickness could be found for each peak.

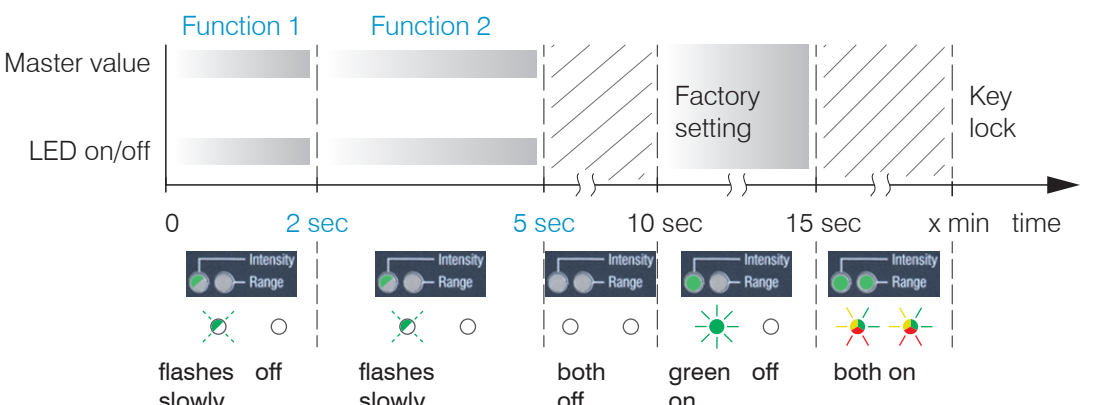
Button Multifunction

The `Multifunction` button of the controller has multiple functions. It enables, e.g., to operate the light source. The button is factory-set to the `LED on/off` feature.



Key function 1 / 2	Set / reset master value	*Starts or stops the master measurement of the selected signals*
	LED on/off	*Turns the light source on/off for the sensor*
	Inactive	*Key has no function*

There are two defined time intervals for pressing the button; each of these can be assigned a function. All time intervals are indicated by the LEDs flashing/lighting up.



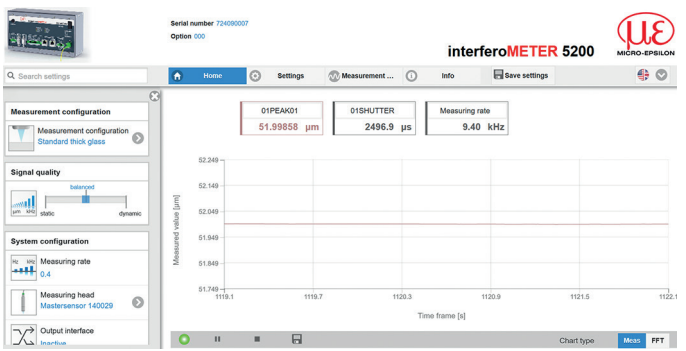
The `Intensity` and `Range` LEDs indicate the currently selected function.

Multifunction Button Actuation Time

Initial Operation

i Initializing starts after the voltage supply has been switched on. The measuring system is ready for use after approx. 10 seconds. To ensure precise measurements, let the measuring system warm up for approx. 60 minutes.

The controller is factory set to the static IP address 169.254.168.150. Use this address for a direct connection with a browser.



The start screen of the controller software is now displayed in the web browser.

You can check the IP address of the controller, that are connected to a PC / network, with the sensorTOOL.exe program. This program is available online at https://www.micro-epsilon.com/download/software/sensorTOOL.exe.

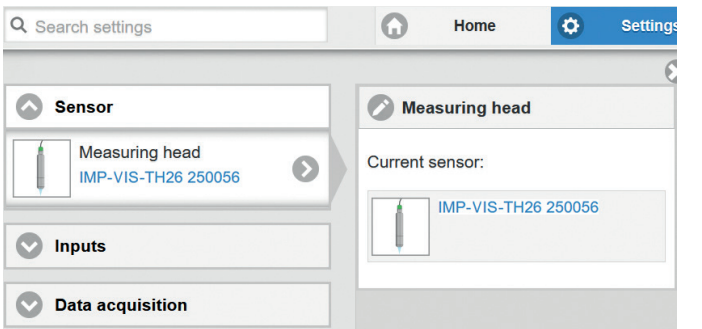
➡ Start the program sensorTOOL and click the button Sensor.

➡ Click the `Open Website` button to connect the controller to your default browser.

Select a Sensor

➡ Change to the `Settings` > `Sensor` menu.

➡ Select a sensor from the list.



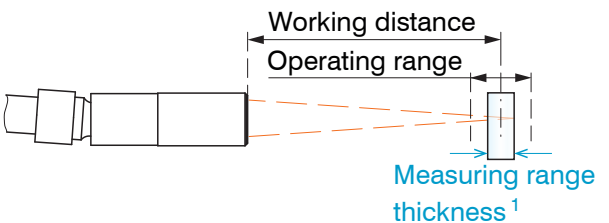
Positioning the Target, Thickness Measurement

The visible light spot helps you align the sensor with the target during commissioning.

Turn on or off the light source in the menu `Settings` > `System settings`.

➡ Position the target (measurement object) as much as possible in the mid of the measuring range.

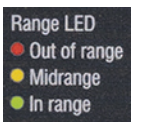
The peak positions remains stable in the FFT signal, even though the measurement target moves. The peak position depends on the target thickness.



Basics thickness measurement

1) The thickness measuring range is 1 … 100 µm for n=1.5 (glass); for air gap measurement between two glass plates (n~1) the measuring range is 1.5 ... 150 µm.

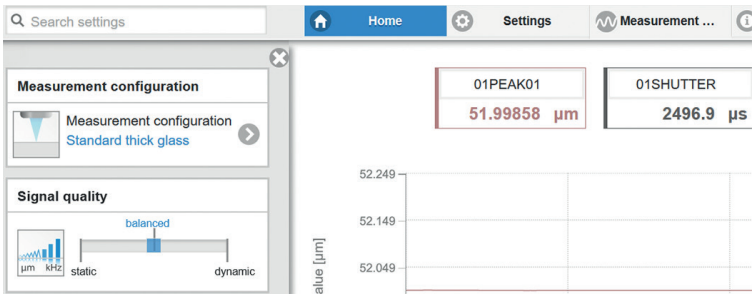
The LED `Range` on the controller front indicates the position of the target in relation to the sensor.



Red	No target or target outside the operating range
Green	Target within operating range

Presets, Measurement Configuration

Common measurement configurations (presets) for various targets are stored on the controller. This allows you to quickly start with your individual measurement task. In a preset the basic features like peak or material selection and calculation functions are already set.



The signal quality is set to `Balanced` at the factory.

➡ Go to the `Home` > `Measurement configuration` menu and start the `Measurement configuration`.
Select a configuration.

Then, you can apply your own settings (setups).

When saving a modified preset, the web interface displays a dialog for entering a setup name. This prevents presets from being overwritten by accident. Data output only starts when the associated interface is activated.

Preset	IMS5200	IMS5200MP
Standard thick glass	•	•
Standard thick plastic	•	•
Varnish on metal	•	•

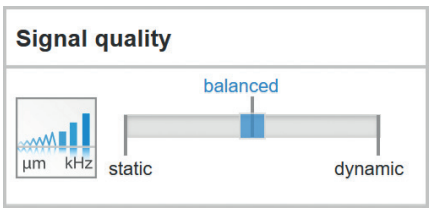
Preset	IMS5200	IMS5200MP
2 layers		•
3 layers		•
4 layers		

• possible preset

Overview possible presets

Signal Quality

Using the `Signal quality` function, you can influence the measuring rate and the respective averaging. Averaging with the `Median` function is specified by the preset. The subsequent moving averaging is specified by the `Signal quality` function.

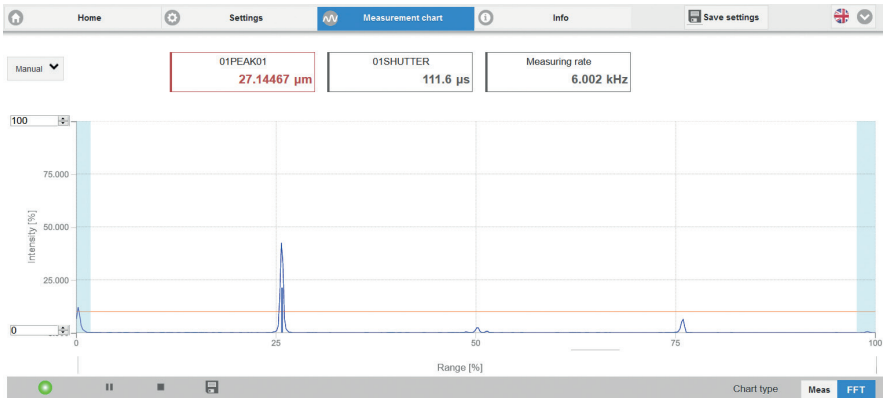


Averaging	Description
Static Median with 3 values Moving with 128 values, Measuring rate 0.2 kHz	In the signal quality section, you can switch between three basic settings (static, balanced and dynamic). The reaction in the chart and system configuration is immediately visible. i If the controller starts up with a user-defined measurement setting (setup) the signal quality cannot be changed.
Balanced Median with 3 values, Moving with 16 values, Measuring rate 1 kHz	
Dynamic Median with 3 values, Moving with 4 values, Measuring rate 6 kHz	

Individual material selection is possible in the `Settings` > `Data recording` > `Material selection` menu.

FFT Signal Check

Go to the `Measurement chart` menu. Show FFT signal display with `FFT`. The signal in the chart window shows the target thickness. Left 0 % (small thickness) and right 100 % (large thickness). The corresponding measured value is marked by a vertical line (peak marking). The diagram starts automatically when the website is called.



Number of Peaks

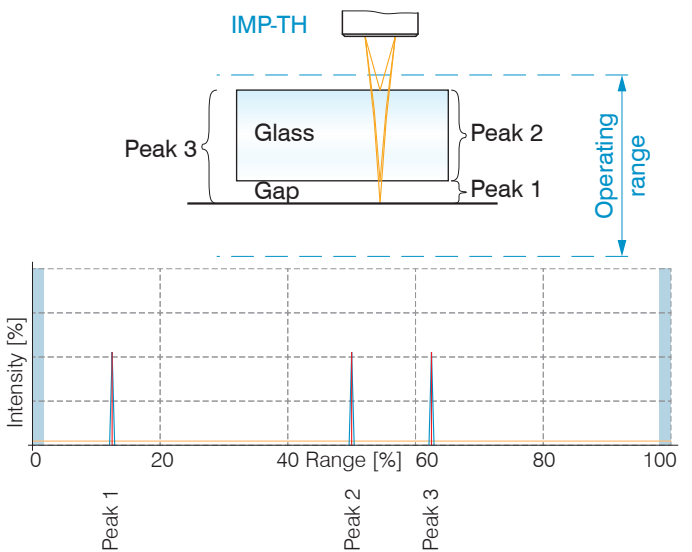
Define the number of peaks of the FFT signal used for evaluation in thickness measurement. The number of peaks can be selected in the `Settings` > `Data recording` > `Number of peaks`.

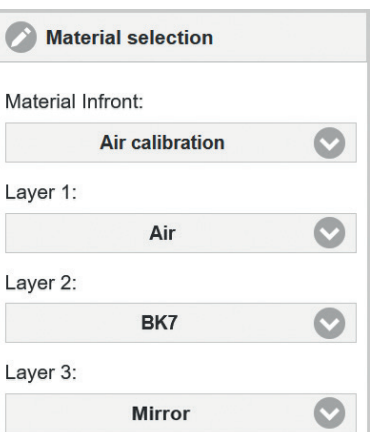
This function is available for the IMS5200MP system: a maximum of 5 layers can be evaluated.

Make sure to count the peaks in the correct manner, see Chap. Measpeak Sorting.

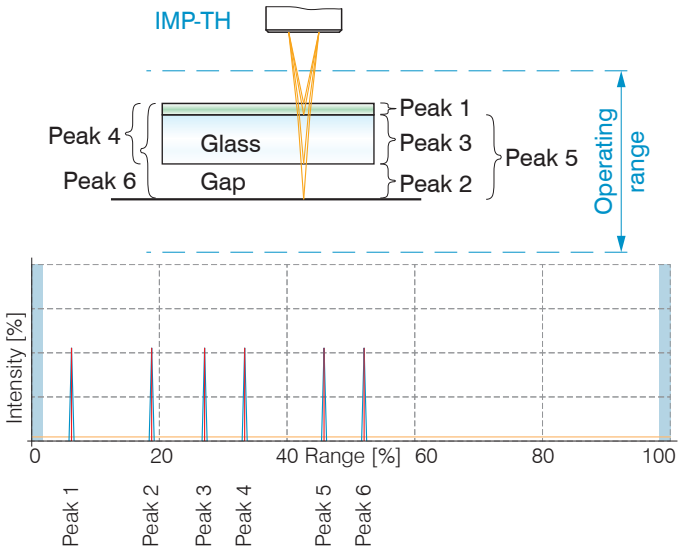
The material selection for a thickness measurement starts with the thinnest layer (layer 1) independent of the physical arrangement in the measuring object.

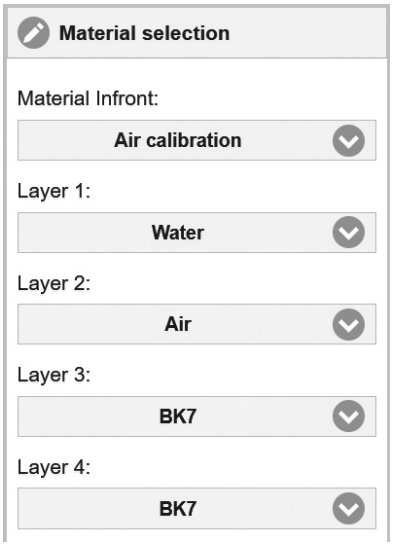
Example of a layer of glass and gap, measpeak sorting: First, corresponding material selection





Example of glass with varnish and gap, measurement peak sorting: First, selected material





The IMS5200MP controller can also measure the thickness of combined layers of the same material.

A material does not necessarily have to be selected for layer 4. Peak 4 stands for a combination layer of varnish and glass. The controller evaluates this layer; however, the result has no significance in the measurement.

Measpeak Sorting

The selection of peak/peaks dictates which region in the signal is used for the thickness measurement.

- Switch to material selection by going to `Settings` > `Data recording`.
- Switch to the chart type `FFT`.
- Choose between `First peak` and `Highest peak`.

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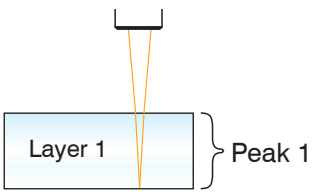
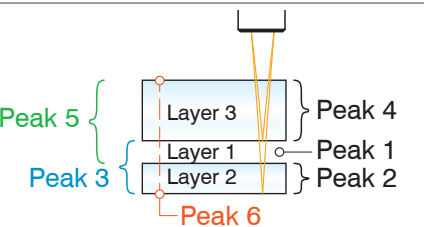
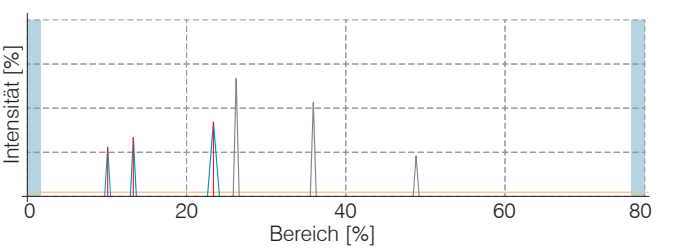
<tr><td> 

A peak in the FFT signal already corresponds to a thickness.

The IMS5200 evaluates one layer. If several peaks are displayed in the FFT signal, a decision must be made as to which peak is to be evaluated.</td><td></td><td> 



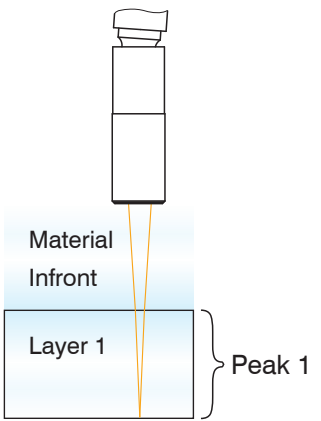
Evaluation starts with the first peak, e.g. 3 out of 4 peaks</td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td></td><td>The IMS5200MP evaluates up to five layers. Each peak represents a thickness value. The peaks are counted starting at the start of the measuring range (for the thinnest layer) toward the end of the measuring range (for the thickest layer). Combined thicknesses of adjacent layers are also evaluated.</td></tr>
</table>

In the case of a target consisting of several transparent layers, the material must be assigned for each layer. The material selection for a thickness measurement starts with the thinnest layer (layer 1) independent of the physical arrangement in the measuring object, see Chap. Material Selection.

The number of peaks of the FFT signal that are used for evaluation are to be determined separately, see Chap. Number of Peaks.

Material Selection

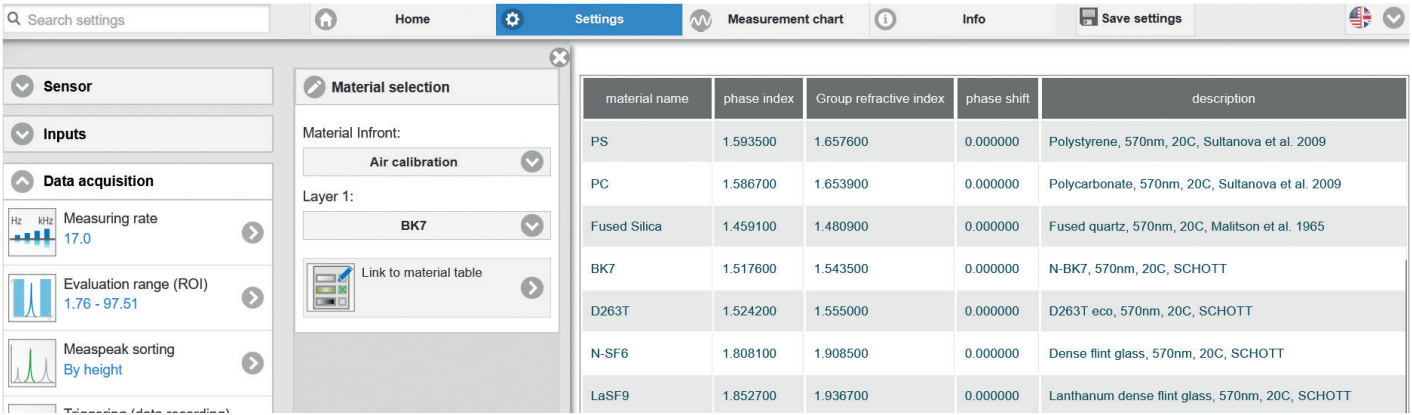
The refractive index needs to be corrected in the controller for an exact thickness measurement. Only air may be present between the sensor face and the measuring object (`Material Infront`); other media such as water or alcohol are not permissible.

	➡ Switch to material selection by going to `Settings` > `Data recording`. ➡ Assign the material according to the target used.	

You can edit or add to the material table. For a new material, a group refractive index is required.

➡ Switch to the `Settings` > `Data recording` > `Link to material table` menu.

➡ Assign the material according to the target used.



The characteristic of the following material is also required for calculating the thicknesses.

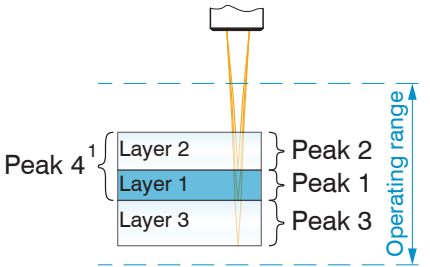
Click the icon to change an existing entry.

Click the icon to add another material.

Click the icon to save another or changed material.

Click the icon to cancel the operation without saving.

Click the icon to delete the entry.



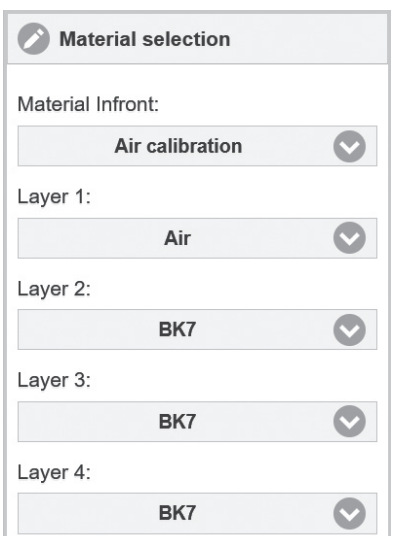
- Switch to material selection by going to `Settings` > `Data recording`.
- Assign the materials to the individual layers according to the target used.

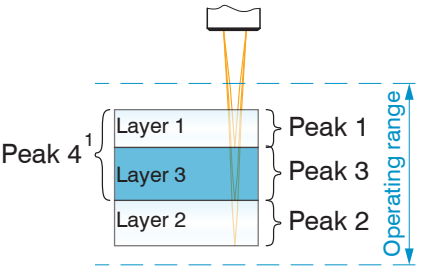
Compared to the example on the left, the thickness of the middle layer (blue) has increased and is greater than the top and bottom layers. The material selection must be adjusted for this case.

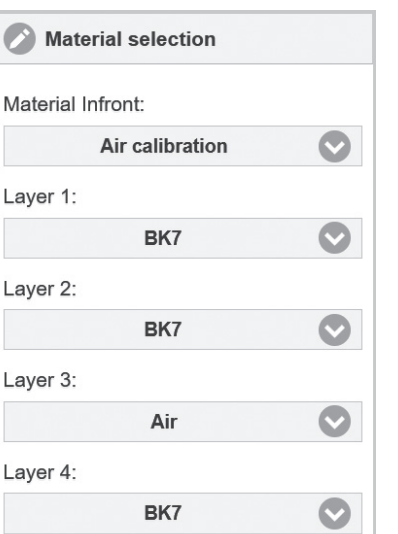
In the FFT signal, peak 1 up to peak 3 change places, see Chap. Measpeak Sorting.

The material selection for a thickness measurement starts with the thinnest layer (layer 1) independent of the physical arrangement in the measuring object.

1) The IMS52000MP controller also evaluate combined thicknesses of different layers. A material does not necessarily have to be selected for layer 4. Peak 4 stands for a combination layer of the two upper layers. The controller evaluates this layer; however, the result has no significance in the measurement.







Output Values

Output value	Description	Min	Max	Scaling	Unit
01ABS (2048 x 16Bit)	FFT signal	0	2047	value / 2048 * 100	%
01SHUTTER	Exposure time	1	400000	value / 40	µs
01ENCODER1	Encoder	0	UINT32_MAX	value	Encoder ticks
01ENCODER2	Encoder	0	UINT32_MAX	value	Encoder ticks
01ENCODER3	Encoder	0	UINT32_MAX	value	Encoder ticks
01AMOUNT[01..14]	Intensity	0	UINT32_MAX	(value & 0xfffff) / 2048 * 100	%
MEASRATE	Sample rate	1666	400000	40000 / value	kHz
TIMESTAMP	Time information	0	UINT32_MAX	value	µs
COUNTER	Frame counter	0	UINT32_MAX	value	
STATE	State word	0	UINT32_MAX	see instruction manual for details	
01PEAK[01..14]	Thickness value	INT32_MIN	see below	value	pm
USERNAMED VALUES	Calculation result	INT32_MIN	0x7ffffeff	wie 01PEAK[01..16]	pm

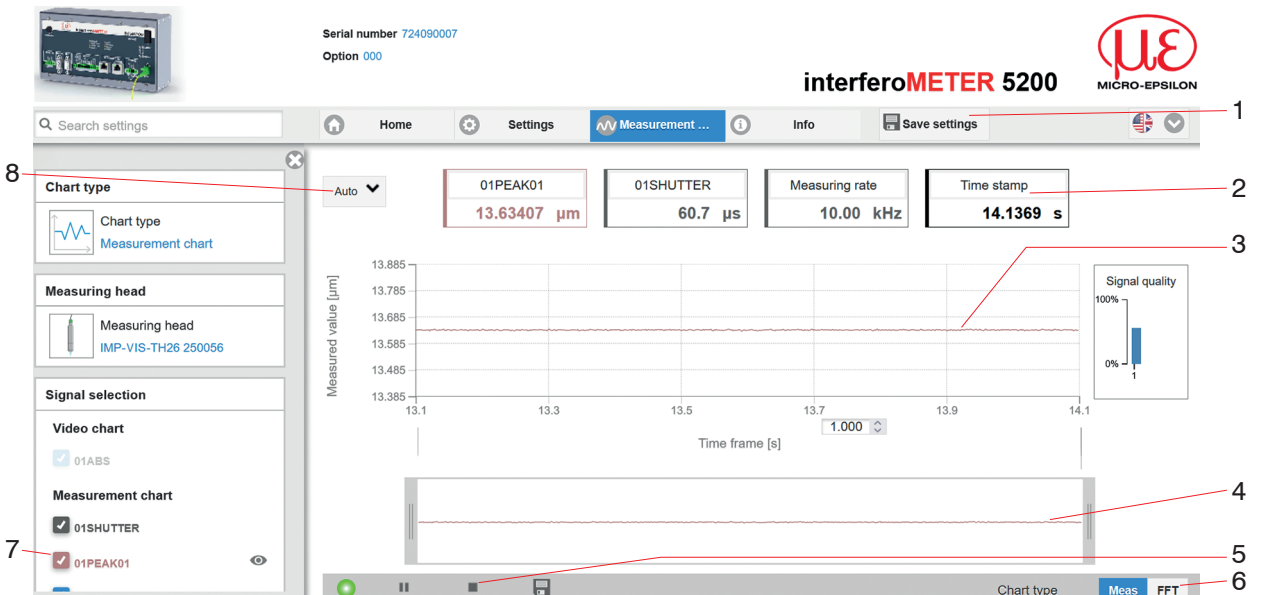
Output values with RS422 and Ethernet

01PEAK[01..16]	0x7fffff04	There is no peak present
	0x7fffff05	Peak is located in front of the operating range
	0x7fffff06	Peak is located behind of the operating range
	0x7fffff07	Measuring value cannot be calculated
	0x7fffff08	Measuring value cannot be evaluated
	0x7fffff0E	Hardware error

Thickness Measurement, Web Page Display

- Align the sensor vertically to the target object.
- Then, move the sensor (or the target) closer, until you more or less reach the working distance for your sensor.

Once the object is within the sensor's measuring range, the `Range` LED (green or yellow) on the front of the controller will light up. Or, observe the FFT signal.



`Measurement` *web page (thickness measurement)*

1 Changes only take effect after clicking the `Save settings` button.

2 The current values for distance, exposure time, current measuring rate and time stamp are displayed in the text boxes above the graphic. Errors are displayed as well.

3 Mouseover feature. When moving the mouse over the graph, curve points are highlighted with a circle symbol while the corresponding values are displayed in the text boxes above the graph.

4 X axis scaling: The total signal is zoomable with the slider on the left side during running measurement. The time range can be defined in the input field below the time axis. If the diagram is stopped, you can also use the right slider. The zoom window can also be moved with the mouse in the center of the zoom window (arrow cross).

5 The LED visualizes the status of the transmission
of measured values:
- green: transmission of measured values is running.
- yellow: waiting for data in trigger mode
- gray: transmission of measured values stopped

Data queries are controlled by using the `Play/Pause/Stop/Save` buttons of the measured values that were transmitted. `Stop` stops the diagram; data selection and zoom function are still possible. `Pause` interrupts recording. `Save` opens the Windows selection dialog for file name and storage location to save the FFT signals resp. measurement values in a CSV file (separation with semicolon).

➡ Click the button ▶ (Play), for starting the display of the measurement results.

6 The two buttons allow to switch between FFT signal and measurement representation.

7 In the window on the left, the signals can be enabled or disabled both during and after the measurement. Inactive graphs are gray. Click on the check mark to add them. The changes take effect when saving the settings. Use the eye symbols 👁 to show and hide the single signals. The calculation continues in the background.

- 01PEAK01: Chronological sequence of displacement signal

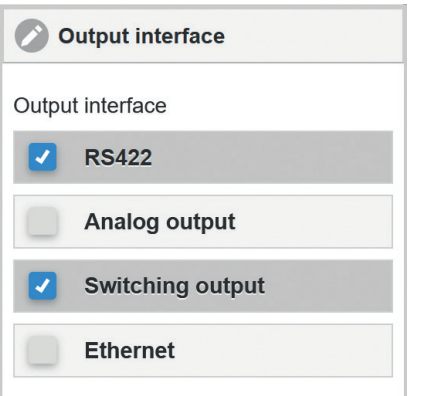
8 `Auto` (= automatic scaling) or `Manual`
(= manual setting) allow for scaling the measurement axis (Y axis) of the graphic.

Data Output, Interface Selection

The controller supports

- three digital interfaces that can be used in parallel for data output,
  - Ethernet: enables fast data transfer, but provides no real-time capabilities (packet-based data transfer). Both measurement and FFT data can be transferred e. g. for measurement value detection without direct process control or for subsequent analysis. Parameterization is provided through the web interface or ASCII commands.
  - RS422: provides an interface capable of real-time output at a lower data rate.
  - Switching/limit value output
- Analog output: outputs either voltage or current values.

➡ Switch to the `Settings` > `Outputs` > `Output interface` menu and select the desired output channels.



Selecting the required interfaces for data output

Ethernet

The controller transmits TCP/IP or UDP/IP packages with an Ethernet transfer rate of 10 Mbit/s or 100 Mbit/s. The transfer rate is selected automatically depending on the connected network or PC.

When transmitting measurement data to a measurement server, following successful connection (TCP or UDP), the sensor sends each measurement to the measurement server or to the connected client. No explicit request is necessary for this.

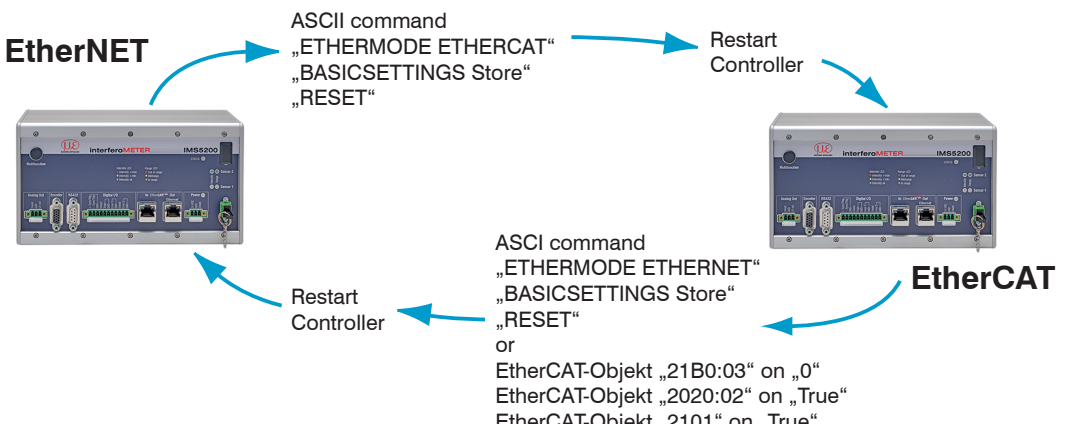
Thickness values are transmitted as 32 bit signed integer value with 1 pm resolution.

Set IP Address

- Change to the menu `Settings > Outputs > Ethernet Settings` and enter the new IP address.
- Click on `Apply settings` to confirm.
- Start the web interface with the new IP address.
- Save the new device settings. Click on `Save settings`.

Switching between Ethernet and EtherCAT

You can switch between Ethernet and EtherCAT using an ASCII command, the web interface or an EtherCAT object. Save the current settings before switching to EtherCAT. The switch becomes active only after the controller has been restarted.



The RS422 interface for sending an ASCII command is available both in Ethernet mode and in EtherCAT mode.

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