



ENCODER SELECTION GUIDE

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Encoders

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WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN INCREMENTAL AND ABSOLUTE MEASUREMENT?

Incremental measurement

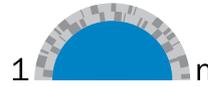


- Counts pulses from 1 to n
- A reference point (zero impulse) must be approached in order to determine the position
- Number of impulses = degree of resolution

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Absolute measurement

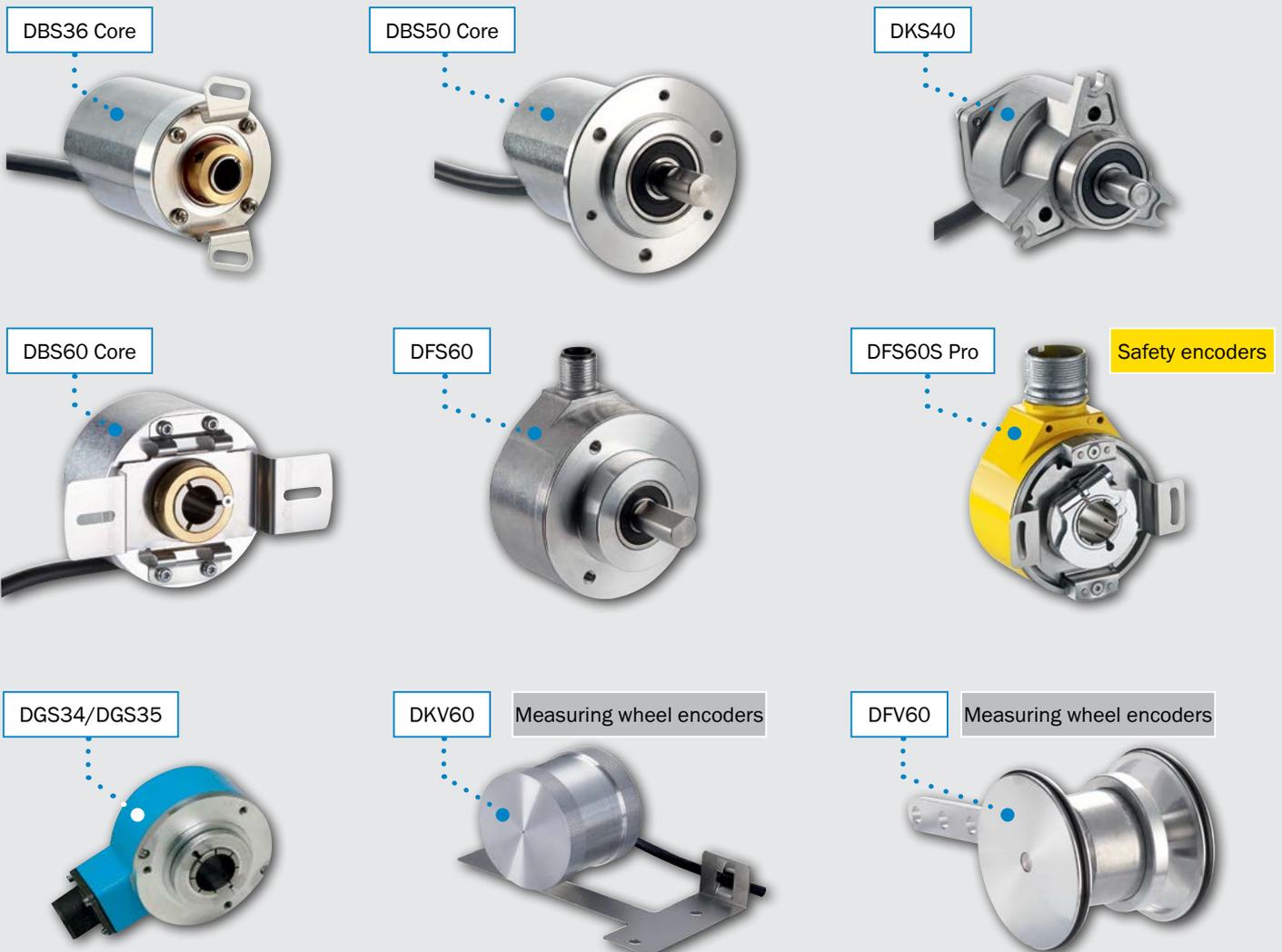


- Measures the absolute position of 1 to n
- Each step is allocated a defined code pattern, and thus a defined (absolute) position
- Number of steps = degree of resolution

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Incremental encoders



The figures only illustrate one possible variant from each product family.

Incremental encoders									
	DBS36 Core	DBS50 Core	DKS40	DBS60 Core	DFS60	DFS60S Pro	DGS34/ DGS35	DKV60	DFV60
Which interface connection is required?									
TTL	■	■	■	■	■		■	■	■
HTL	■	■	■	■	■		■	■	■
TTL/HTL Universal				■	■				■
Open Collector	■	■	■				■		
Sin/Cos					■	■			
What is the maximum amount of space available for installation (diameter)?									
Up to 37 mm	■								
Up to 40 mm	■		■						
Up to 50 mm	■	■	■						
Up to 60 mm	■	■	■	■	■	■			
Up to 90 mm	■	■	■	■	■	■	■		
Which type of flange or shaft is required?									
Face mount flange	■	■	■	■	■	■			
Servo flange	■			■	■	■			
Blind hollow shaft	■			■	■	■	■		
Through hollow shaft				■	■	■	■		
Measuring wheel system								■	■
What hollow shaft diameter is required?									
Up to 8 mm	■			■	■	■			
Up to 10 mm				■	■	■			
Up to 12 mm				■	■	■			
Up to 15 mm				■	■	■			
Up to 5/8"				■	■				
> 5/8"							■		
What resolution is required? (pulses per revolution/steps per revolution)									
Up to 2500	■	■	■	■	■		■	■	■
Up to 5000				■	■		■		■
Up to 8192					■		■		■
Up to 16,384					■		■		■
> 16,384					■				■
1024 sin/cos periods					■	■			
Should programming/configuration be performed by the customer?									
Yes, using a hand-held device					■				■
Yes, using software and PC tool					■				■
Yes, via RS-485					■				■
No	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Is a safety certificate required for the encoder?									
Yes						■			
No	■	■	■	■	■		■	■	■

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SINGLETURN AND MULTITURN?

Singleturn



- Variant of absolute encoders
- Measures the absolute position of 1 to n within one revolution

Multiturn



- Variant of absolute encoders
- Measures the absolute position of 1 to n within one revolution
- Also measures the number of revolutions

Absolute encoders

ACS36/ACM36



AFS60/AFM60



AHS36/AHM36



ARS60



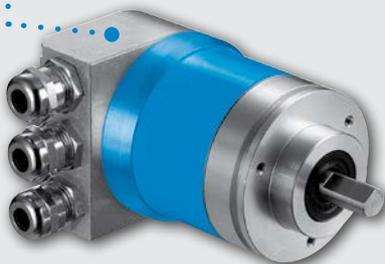
A3M60



ACM60



ATM60



ATM90



Fieldbus/Ethernet interfaces

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Absolute encoders	Singleturn								Multiturn																	
	ACS36		AFS60			AHS36		ARS60		A3M60		ACM36		ACM60		AFM60		AHM36		ATM60		ATM90				
	Analog	SSI	EtherNet/IP	EtherCAT®	PROFINET	SSI	CANopen	SSI	Parallel	PROFIBUS	Analog	Analog	SSI	EtherNet/IP	EtherCAT®	PROFINET	SSI	CANopen	SSI	PROFIBUS	CANopen	DeviceNet	SSI	PROFIBUS		
How many revolutions are to be absolutely measured?																										
≤ 1	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■																	
> 1										■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Which interface connection is required?																										
Analog 4 to 20 mA / Analog 0 to 10 V	■										■	■														
Parallel									■																	
SSI		■				■		■					■				■		■					■		
SSI + incremental													■													
SSI + Sin/Cos													■													
Fieldbus/Ethernet			■	■	■		■			■				■	■	■		■		■	■	■	■	■	■	
What is the maximum amount of space available for installation (diameter)?																										
Up to 36 mm	■					■	■				■							■	■							
Up to 40 mm	■					■	■				■								■	■						
Up to 50 mm	■					■	■				■								■	■						
Up to 60 mm	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Up to 90 mm	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Which type of flange or shaft is required?																										
Face mount flange		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Servo flange	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Blind hollow shaft		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Through hollow shaft		■						■	■				■											■	■	
What hollow shaft diameter is required?																										
Up to 8 mm		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Up to 10 mm		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Up to 12 mm		■	■	■	■			■	■	■			■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Up to 15 mm		■	■	■	■					■			■	■	■	■			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Up to 5/8"		■	■	■	■					■														■	■	
> 5/8"																								■	■	
What resolution is required? (pulses per revolution/steps per revolution)																										
1024		1)										1)	1)													
Up to 2500		1)	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■		1)	1)	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Up to 5000		1)	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■		1)	1)	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Up to 8192		1)	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■		1)	1)	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
Up to 16,384		1)	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■		1)	1)	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
> 16,384		1)	■	■	■	■		■	■			1)	1)	■	■	■	■									
Should programming/configuration be performed by the customer?																										
Yes, using a hand-held device		■				■							■					■								
Yes, using software and PC tool		■				■							■					■		■				■		
Yes, via RS-485		■				■							■					■								
Yes, via BUS (fieldbus or Ethernet)			■	■	■		■			■				■	■	■		■		■	■	■	■	■	■	
Yes, via a web server			■											■												
Yes, using the teach-in function on the encoder	■										■	■														
No	■	2)	■	2)	2)	2)	■	2)	■	■	2)	2)	2)	■	2)	2)	2)	■	2)	2)	2)	2)	2)	2)	2)	

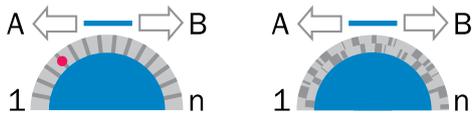
¹⁾ Analog resolution dependent on programmed measuring range.

²⁾ Encoders can in principle be programmed/configured, but can also be used with the default factory settings without configuration.



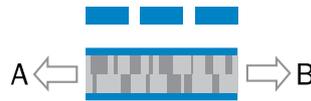
WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WIRE DRAW ENCODERS AND LINEAR ENCODERS?

Wire draw encoders



- Encoder counts from 1 to n and converts the figure into a measurement signal
- Consists of an encoder and a wire draw
- The wire draw travels the distance from A to B
- The encoder is stationary

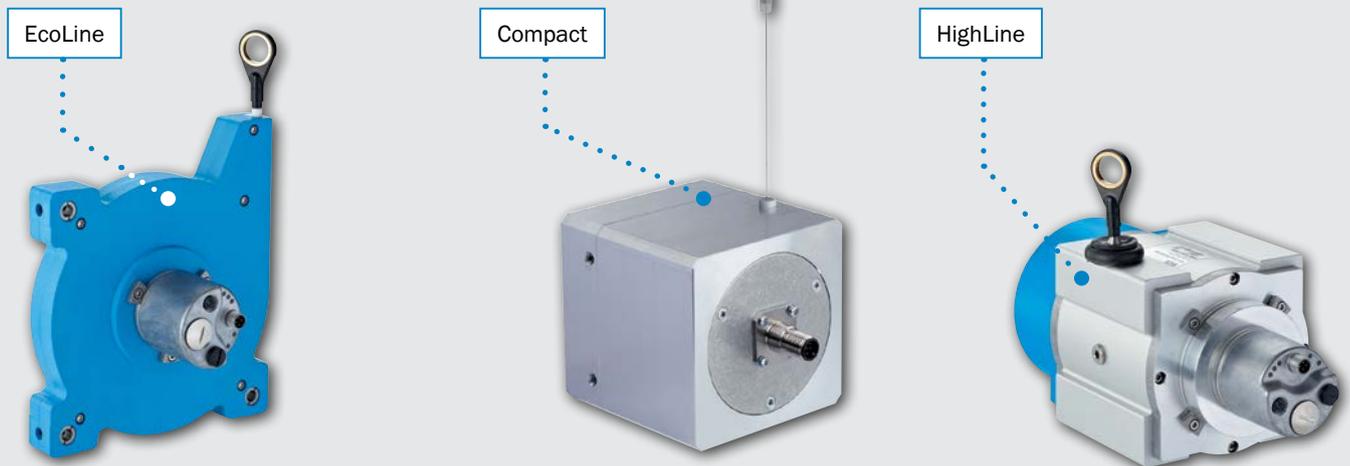
Linear encoders with material measure or magnetic tape



- Measures distance from A to B
- Consists of read head and material measure
- The read head travels the distance from A to B
- The material measure with permanent magnets is stationary

Wire draw encoders and linear encoders

Wire draw encoders



Linear encoders with measurement element or magnetic tape



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	Wire draw encoders			Linear encoders with measurement element or magnetic tape		
	EcoLine	Compact	HighLine	KH53	KH53A	TTK70
How many measuring cycles are needed?						
Up to 1,000,000	■	■	■			
Unlimited				■	■	■
What kind of position measurement is required?						
Absolute	■	■	■	■	■	■
Incremental	■	■	■			■
Which interface connection is required?						
TTL	■	■	■			
HTL	■		■			
Analog	■		■			
HIPERFACE®	■ ¹⁾	■	■ ¹⁾			■
SSI	■	■	■	■	■	■
SSI + Sin/Cos	■ ¹⁾		■ ¹⁾			■
PROFIBUS	■		■	■	■	
CANopen	■		■			
DeviceNet	■		■			
EtherNet/IP	■		■			
PROFINET	■		■			
EtherCAT®	■		■			
Is a consistent mounting surface available over the measuring distance?						
Yes	■	■	■	■	■	■
No	■	■	■			
What are the mounting tolerances like?						
Low	■	■	■	■		■
Medium	■	■	■	■	■	
High					■	
What measuring length is required?						
≤ 4 m	■	■	■	■	■	■
≤ 5 m	■	■	■	■	■	
≤ 10 m	■		■	■	■	
≤ 50 m			■	■	■	
≤ 548 m				■	■	
≤ 1700 m				■		
What resolution is required?						
≤ 0.1 mm	■	■	■	■	■	
≤ 0.05 mm	■	■	■			
≤ 1 µm		■				■
How reliable does the measuring system need to be?						
Low	■	■	■	■	■	■
Medium		■	■	■	■	■
High			■	■	■	
Which installation size can be used?						
Small	■					■
Medium		■	■			
Large			■	■	■	

¹⁾ Available upon request.

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