for Tissue and Converting Lines

IMPROVE
• Efficiency
• Quality
• Safety
Introduction

Procemex OnePlatform for tissue covers your quality and efficiency improvement needs on your tissue machine and converting line. It also makes it safer for operators to monitor key locations of the machines. Key elements for problem solving and troubleshooting on a tissue machine are Web Inspection and Web Monitoring systems. The paper defect and web break root cause information captured is used to reduce the number of web breaks and control product quality. In addition to that, the critical data is transferred with reel defect maps into converting lines to enable smart decisions supporting higher converting line runnability.

Building defect detection on OnePlatform architecture has elevated Procemex to the leading position in the global surface inspection and monitoring market.

What Does OnePlatform Mean?

Our customers have a common question; “What is the difference between the Procemex solution and if we buy the Web Inspection system, Web Monitoring system and further vision application separately? This question can have different answers to different groups, as it touches operators, production management, quality assurance, IT, maintenance and project engineers. The basic elements are always the same.

OnePlatform - One User Interface

The intuitive user interface is not designed for analysing tissue web breaks and defects separately. It has been designed to form a single unified user interface making it easy for operators to understand the relationship between defect and root cause and move seamlessly between the Web Inspection and Web Monitoring system. This makes it easy for operators to understand the real root causes for paper defects and web breaks created in earlier process stages.

- One interface for Web Inspection & Monitoring
- Web Inspection and Web Monitoring cameras synchronized with each other
- Pre-configurable paper defects activate Web Monitoring cameras
- Upstream root cause video evidence is only one click away
- Upstream monitoring camera access with red button at the side of defect map
- Web Inspection camera displayed is synchronized with Web Monitoring cameras
- Intuitive navigation to different archives such as breaks, defect root causes and events

OnePlatform for IT

Procemex Smart Cameras process the data already inside the cameras and send the results via TCP/IP Network to the server, therefore only one server is needed for the whole system. It manages SQL database for storing and distributing data and communicates with 3rd party systems. Having one computer for the whole system data processing is beneficial, as it:

- Enables system virtualization by using Procemex server
- Enables system virtualization with preferred customer hardware and service
- Enables parallel server replication
- Enables easy backups

OnePlatform for Maintenance

In addition to the shared data storage infrastructure and user interfaces, it also plays an important role, that there is only one application software covering both web inspection and application engineers, as everything is handled in one unified way and there is no need to learn two systems. Web Inspection and Web Monitoring also share same lighting and Smart Camera matrix technology eliminating multiple spare parts and extensive troubleshooting efforts.

OnePlatform for Support

When our customers need us, our project managers, field service engineers, remote service engineers and service teams can quickly provide support for both Web Inspection and Web Monitoring. OnePlatform allows our support team to help you without application boundaries.

OnePlatform for Longer System Lifetime

By developing our own Smart Camera technology in Tampere, Finland and continually pushing the boundaries of camera performance, we have been able to go beyond the compatibility problems of fast turning computer and off-the-shelf camera world. It seems that the systems built on standard technology today have an average lifetime from 5 to 7 years due to component obsolescence from OEM hardware manufacturers and lack of new components compatibility. Procemex builds systems that are future proof and backwards compatible. This is our promise to our customers, and it is one of our key values in Smart Camera development. All Procemex systems starting from 2002 are compatible and can be extended or upgraded.
Web Inspection

Procemex Web Inspection System provides you continuous detection of all paper defects plus a seamless integration to OnePlatform System. Procemex develops and manufactures their own Matrix Smart Camera and LED lights specifically for the pulp and paper industry.

High Quality Photographic Imaging

- Matrix Smart Camera provides superior image quality with high speed machines
- Smart Camera auto shutter provides even exposure and illumination over multiple grades and shades of color, which enables fully automated grade settings
- Industry leading camera sensor light sensitivity and image bit depth
- Up to 700 MHz real time data processing inside the camera which is over 5 times faster standard Gig-E Data Protocol solutions

Powerful LED Strobe Lighting

- Smart Camera pulses LED strobe only during image exposure; reducing heat generation due to decreased illumination time which significantly extends the life of the LED
- Strobing provides powerful illumination peak to stop the web movement, eliminate blur and produce photographic image quality
- Any LED segment can be changed at any time without creating a degradation in detection performance and the overall capabilities of the system

Different Detection Geometries

The Smart Camera can make several independent measurements by pulsing different LED light profiles to flash sequentially for alternating inspection

HD Pinhole Cleaning Concept

Web Inspection is typically located at the end of tissue machine in dusty environment. Unique patented pinhole camera beam or separate pinhole camera housing keep cameras clean.

Installation Options

Utilizing Procemex carbon fiber beams guarantees eveness of illumination and a long term alignment of cameras and lights. In case there is not enough space or if a lower price option is preferred, it is also possible to use separate cameras and lights for the same purpose. This leads to more uneven illumination and extra maintenance/alignment work on cameras and lights is necessary over the lifetime of the system.

Classification

- Matrix camera imaging provides higher quality images to the classification engine and increases accuracy over antiquated line-scan technology
- Procemex utilizes a floating defect filter to reliable separate defects in the sheet from floating dust and debris in the area
- Smart Camera enables direct pre-classification in the camera and real-time outputs are available for external use
- Post-classification beyond single inspection frame measurement utilizing all data available for the most accurate classification
- Advanced Classification utilizing the VisionAppster Platform for developing and acquiring tailored traditional and neural network classification algorithms

Automatic Winder Target Control

A marker located at the end of the tissue machine puts an ink code with the MD position information on the edge of the sheet. A reader on the winder reads the code and synchronizes the defect map with the actual current position and enables an automatic stop or crawl function to react on customer defined defects.

- Automatic reel and defect map loading
- Customer roll set position can be overlaid
- Selected slow down or stop targets indicated on defect map

General System Features

- Reel number and paper grade imported and displayed
- Hide and unhide defect classes on scrolling defect map
- Possible to zoom in or zoom out defect map to cover several paper reels at the same time
- Planned customer roll set can be overlaid on the defect map and defect density by roll can be highlighted by color
- Repeat defect alarms based on 100+ machine elements such as fabric length or roll diameter
- Defect trends and reports by user defined time period
- Formation measurement
- TAPPI/ISO - dirt count capable

“All Procemex delivered systems since 2002 are fully supported and compatible today”
Web Monitoring

Procemex Web Monitoring Cameras strategically placed along the tissue machine provide additional eyes for operators and the necessary information to determine the root cause of a web break and seamlessly integrates into the OnePlatform System. Procemex develops and manufactures their own Matrix Smart Camera and LED lights specifically for the pulp and paper industry.

High Quality Photographic Imaging

Camera resolution tends to continuously advance and with today’s camera technology it is more important than frame rate. In many cases it is difficult to utilize higher resolution cameras as the system is already using its full data transfer capacity. This is the common reason customers need to upgrade their system. This is especially relevant as a GigE network supports only 2.1 MP resolution with 150 frames per second (fps) or 1.9 MP with 60 fps, resolutions above that are not possible without reducing frame rate.

Powerful LED Strobe Lighting

- Smart Camera pulses LED strobe only during image exposure; reducing heat generation due to decreased illumination time which significantly extends the life of the LED
- Utilizes indirect cooling unit that can use instrument air or water, that does not enter the light, eliminating the possibility for over-pressurizing and causing the window to explode.
- Strobing provides powerful illumination peak to stop the web movement, eliminate blur and produce photographic image quality

HD Pinhole Cleaning Concept

As most of the cameras are located in wet or dusty positions, it is clear that keeping cameras and lights clean in harsh environment is most important. Procemex R&D has focused on perfecting HD Pinhole camera and image quality

- Procemex designed an industry leading pinhole housing cleaning concept
- Pressurized air discharging the front of the camera housing prevents particles from contaminating the lens
- Maintenance free

General System Features

- Superior resolution with 2.1 and 12 MP Technology
- Cameras monitor paper and fabrics related issues
- Cameras are synchronised with each other with the accuracy of two frames
- Each camera features Region of Interest (ROI) to concentrate on a particular section of the sheet
- Image trending provides information on when significant events occur in the video
- Bookmarks can be tagged on images and image trends and video clips can be edited as needed
- Defects and root causes identified quickly for more efficient troubleshooting
- Real time images are available

Maintenance

A common reason for poor image quality is a lack of maintenance. Contaminated camera and light windows decrease available light which reduces the camera shutter speed leading to poor image quality. Real time images might look acceptable, but the camera can’t stop paper movement and recorded videos become blurred. Web Monitoring field equipment should be included in preventative maintenance routines. Procemex offers various service elements from remote service to onsite support.

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Machine Vision  
- Increase Converting Efficiency

Converting line can generate unwanted bottlenecks, when the quality of the tissue is not stable. With Procemex OnePlatform Tools on tissue and converting lines, the output can be optimized, and tissue rolls reach targeted quality.

Procemex OnePlatform Converting Tools reveal process and quality problems that cause breaks in converting. The Tools cover known key process locations.

Unwind
- utilize synchronized Web Inspection data from tissue machine in order to take smart choices in term of incoming roll selection, slowing down / stopping to web breaks and critical paper defects

Printing Unit
- analyze print quality and perforation

Embosser
- online monitoring of applicator roll for glue presence and embossing quality

Rewinder
- follow process interruptions and analyze log diameter online

Log Saw
- online monitoring of log saw blade maintenance needs

Tissue Roll Quality Inspection
- inspect tissue roll visual appearance and automatically reject inferior quality rolls

Final Packaging Applications
- inspect missing products and packaging outlook with necessary barcode / QR Code and text recognition tools

General System Features
- 100% quick root cause analysis and inspection
- Reduce unknow breaks in tissue machine
- Event capturing in video format
- Reduce unknow breaks in converting line
- Easy user interface
- Increase your production by optimizing converting line speed
- Track costs per unit and reduce waste
- Improve your operating efficiency throughout the folding and packaging processes
- Quality measurements continue to become more and more strict, and your production needs meet the high standards

Safety and Efficiency at Tissue Lines

SAFETY
Improve your overall safety by providing visibility to inaccessible and gated machine areas.

EFFICIENCY
Improve overall line efficiency by solving the root causes of process interruptions - synchronized visibility of the web across all camera views.

QUALITY
Provide tools to identify quality problems, the output can be optimized, and tissue rolls reach targeted quality.
Focus on high productivity, reliability and performance

For ensuring machine and process running reliability with good product quality, it is essential to keep the machine vision system performing at its optimal level during its entire lifecycle.

In every turn, we are your partner in

- Continuous development of your process with the most recent achievements of vision systems
- Improving the performance of your existing camera system with upgrades, which can be phased over a certain time period
- Supporting best performance and optimized maintenance through your vision system’s lifecycle. Our full-scale services portfolio covers everything from 24/7 connected remote services to preventive maintenance and smart spare parts services.

SERVICE AGREEMENTS

1. Remote Service Desk 9/5
2. Remote Service Desk 24/7
3. Remote Diagnostics & Reporting
4. On-site Service Visit
5. Customized Training
6. Data & System Security Update
7. System Software Update
8. Spare Part Management
9. Runnability troubleshooting with mobile system

Optimize process performance with low cost and high quality
Ensure machine and process are running reliably
Keep assets competitive throughout lifecycle
Get the right expertise when needed

SYSTEM MODERNIZATIONS

The latest Procemex technologies are available for your current systems and we guarantee the downward compatibility with existing products. System extensions to meet the changes in process and to cover the blind spot area.

SERVICE MODULES

Tailored long term maintenance and process support programs consisting of service modules most suitable for customer business.

Predictable costs • Clear responsibilities • Continuous development
Increased inhouse knowledge • Improved process performance
Improve process performance
Reduce paper quality issues
More efficient troubleshooting

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