

# **MECONTROL**

## Boiler Combustion Optimization

### Advanced Instrumentation for Improved Plant Operation

**Headquarters in Germany  
Privately Held  
PROMECON USA Inc.  
Sales & Service in North America**



# **On-line Real Time UBC Measurement**

**Optimize mill/boiler performance**

**Accurate (+/- 0.6 percentage points)**

**Certified ash for sale in Europe**

**Minimal maintenance & calibration (1 moving part)**

**Easy installation & operation**

**Dependable with high market share**

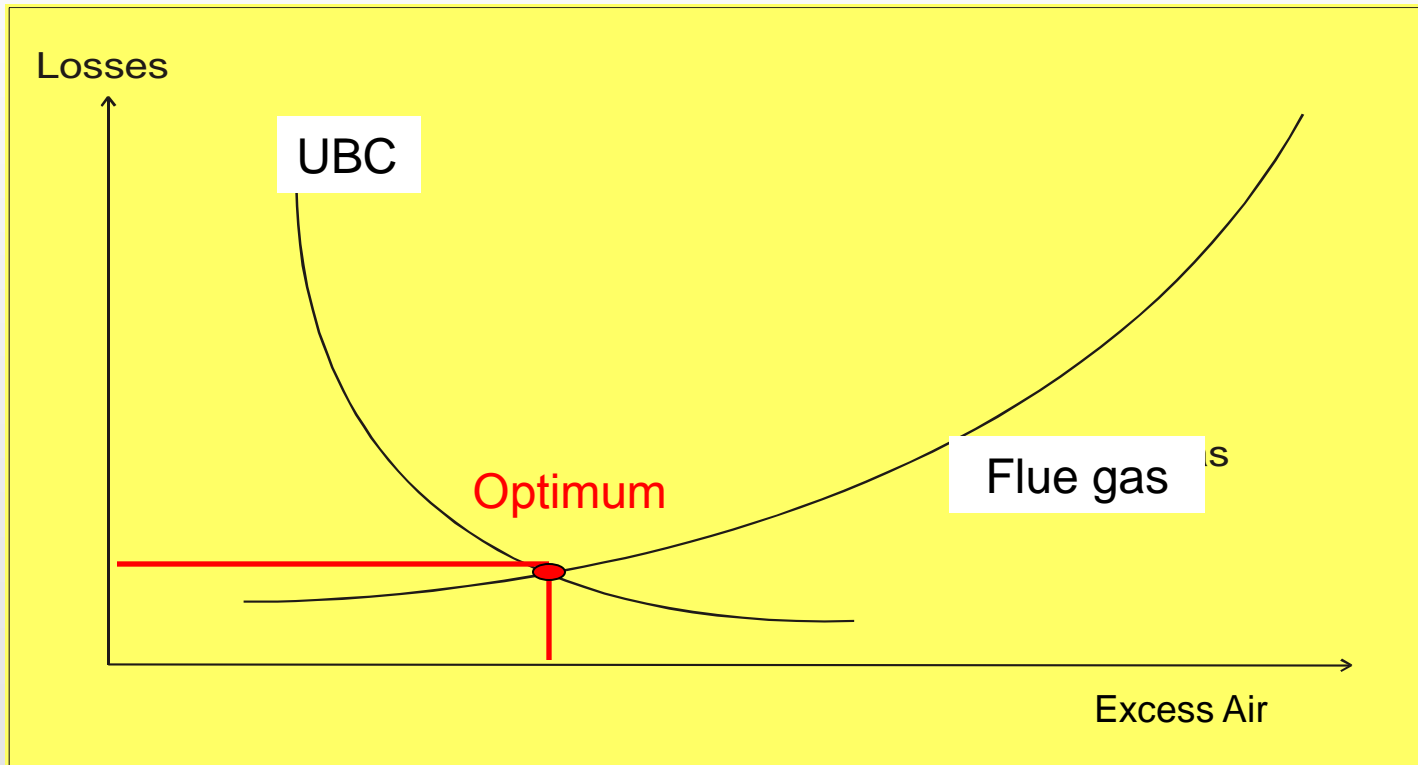
**Over 160 sensors operating worldwide**

**Improves consistency of fly ash & sales**

**Many advantages over extractive systems**

# Efficiency Optimization Principle

Minimize energy losses from unburned carbon & flue gas -- function of excess air levels



## PROMECON **UBC** Measurement Principle

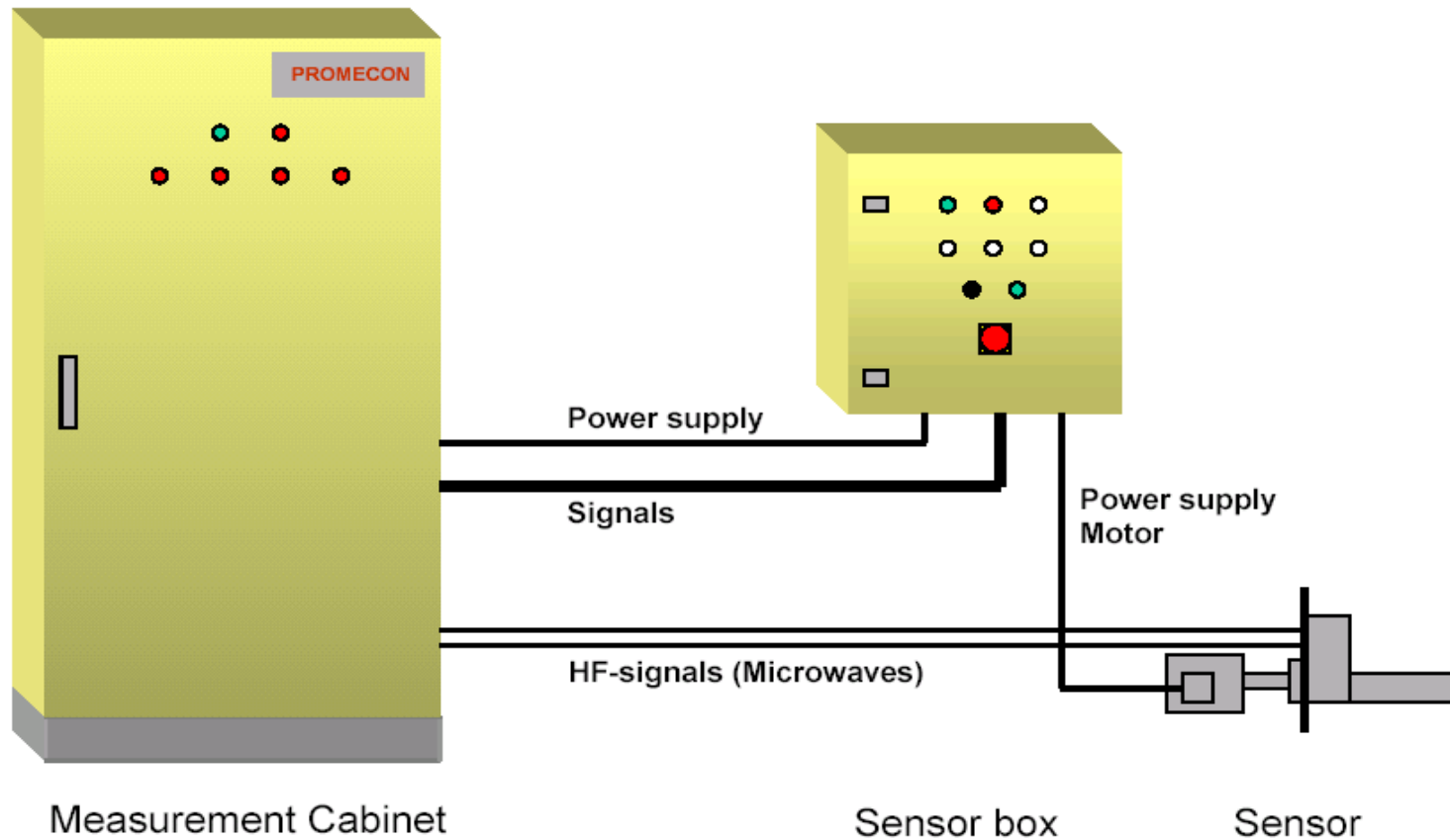
Dielectric constant of fly ash is a function of the carbon content. Measuring the shift of frequency (microwave) in a resonator ( $\Delta f$ ) enables the carbon content to be calculated.



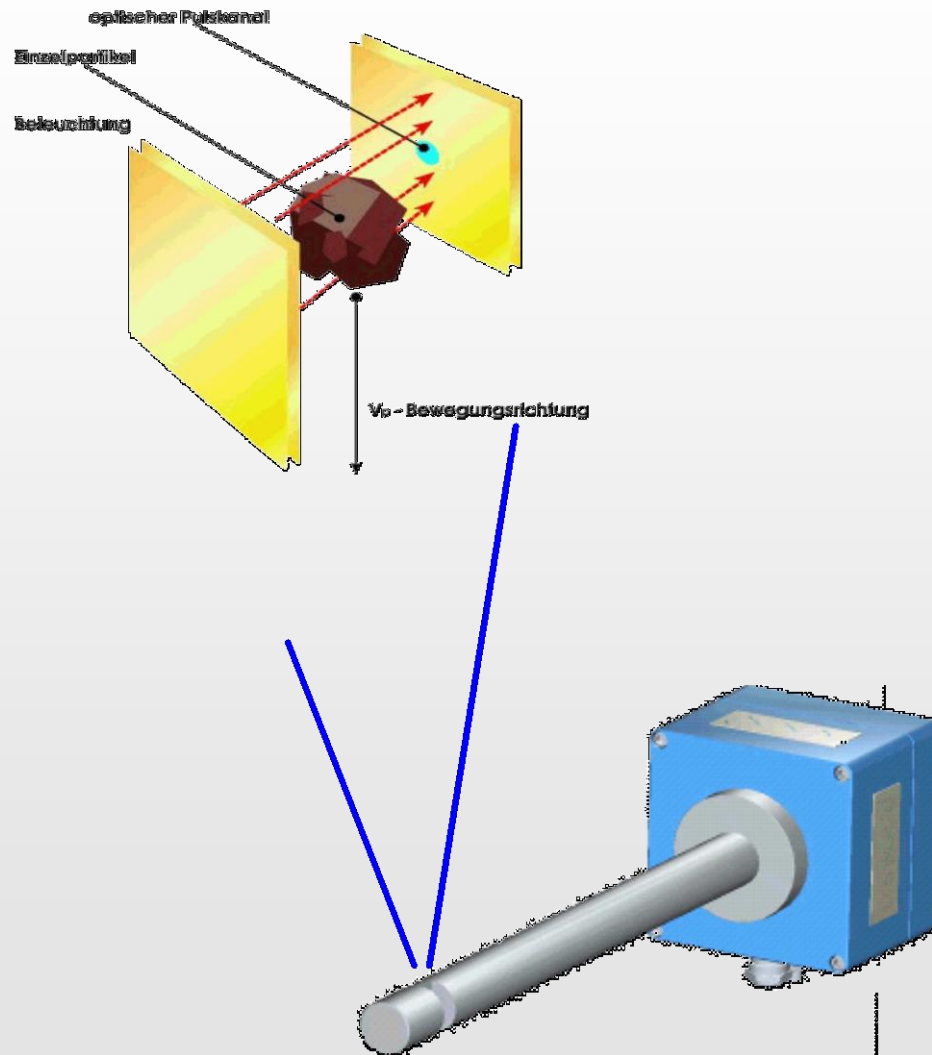
$$UBC = A + B \cdot \Delta f$$

A and B are the calibration coefficients

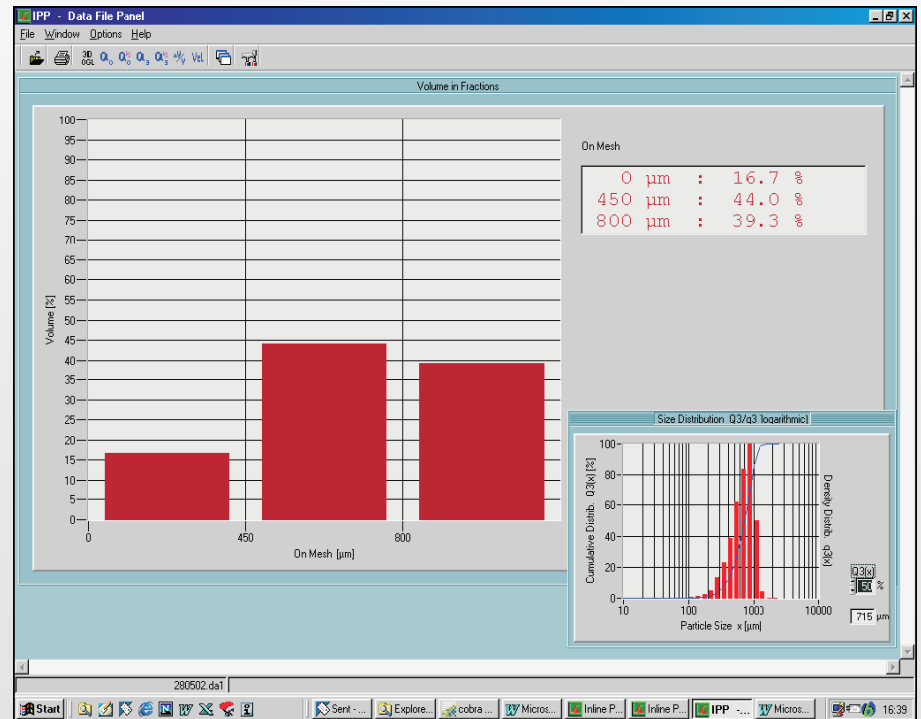
## MECONTROL UBC Design



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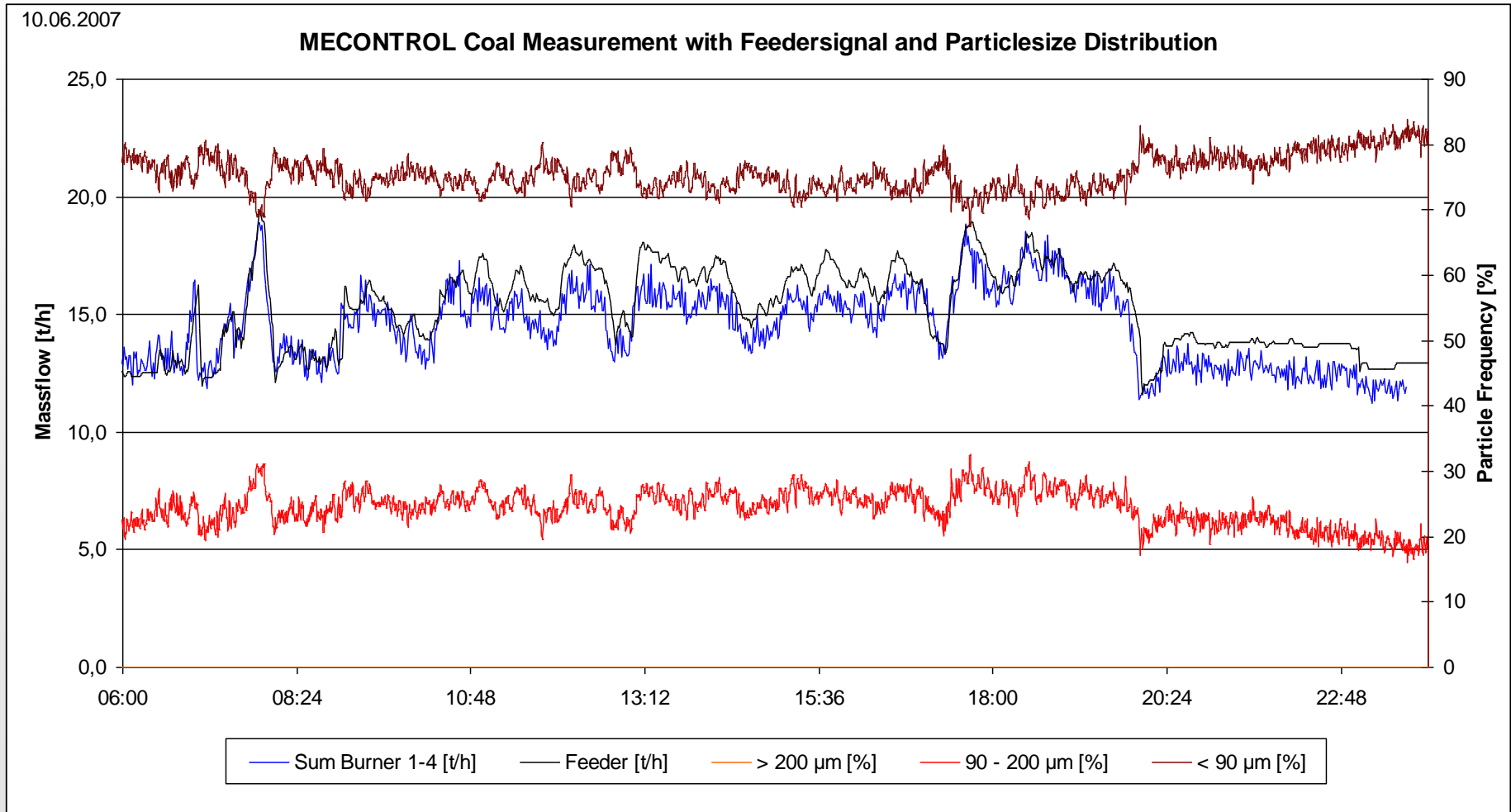
## Technical Data:

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| Measurement range:                                | Particle Size 30 - 6000 $\mu\text{m}$ , Velocity 0.01 - 50 m/s  |
| Materials   | 316L SS for In-line probe, Sapphire, epoxy resin optics   |
| Pressure-cast aluminium for electronics enclosure |   |
| Data rate:  | Up to 10,000 particles per second, dependent on process conditions  |
| Max Operating Pressure                            | 4 bar   |
| Operating Temp                                    | -20°C to 130°C at measuring point, -10°C to 60°C on housing   |
| Dimensions  | Tube length = 280 mm (11 in), Tube diameter = 25 mm (1 in)  |
| Air Supply  | adjustable air flow meters, Pulse flow with adjustable timer or continuous air, Flow Requires instrument grade compressed air |
| Maximum cable length:                             | 100 m   |



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Test Data: PS Reuter West, Berlin



# **Air Flow System Specifics**

**Time of flight (no pressure or temperature)**

**No calibration, no pressure drop**

**Very small amount of particulate required (1-2 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>)**

**Solid stainless steel sensor rods, on-line installation**

**Average velocity over sensor length**

**Accurate (within 2%)**

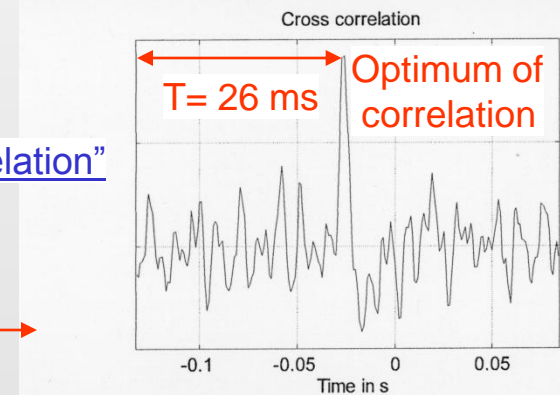
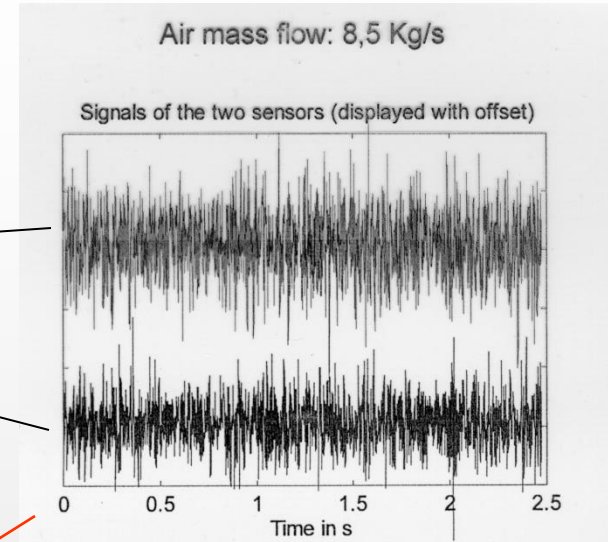
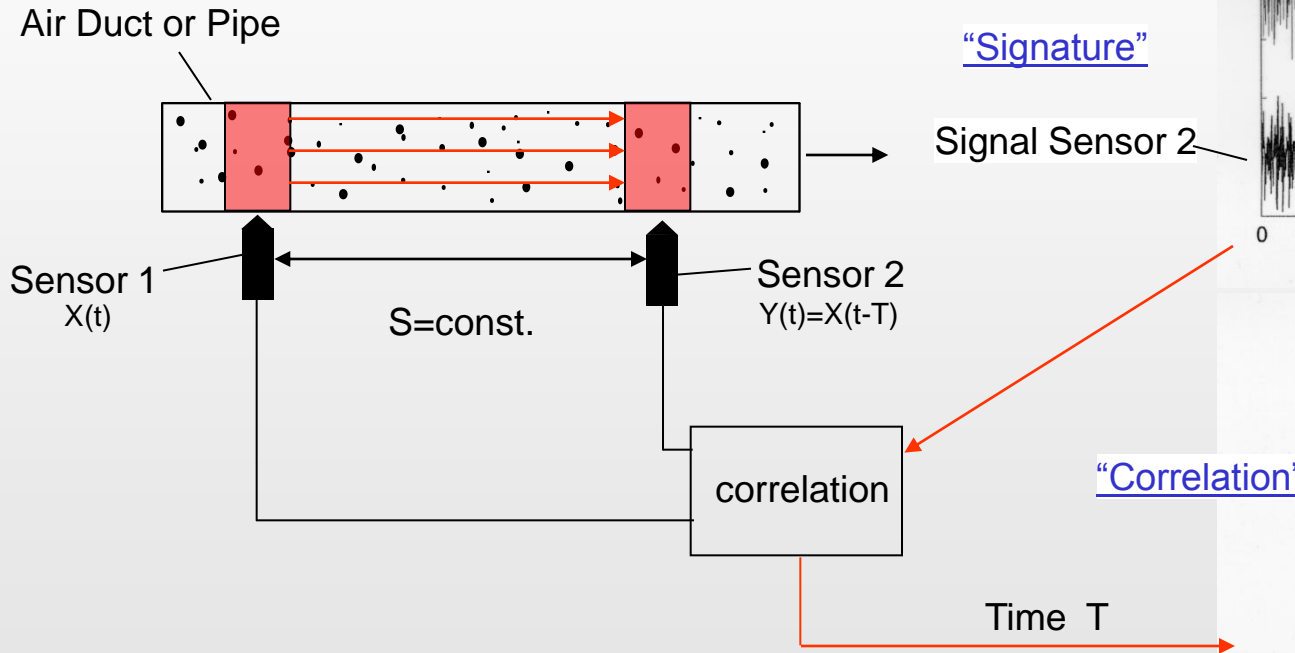
**No influence from fouling & erosion**

**Each measurement requires 2 sensors 14" apart**

**Much less inflow length (2-3 diameters)**

**Pressure correlation sensors for clean air (FD fan)**

# MECONTROL Air/FG Measurement Principle



## Example

$S = 54 \text{ cm}$   
 $T = 26 \text{ ms}$



$w = 20.8 \text{ m/s}$  (average velocity of the air !)

Distance of the two sensors: 54 cm  
Measured velocity: 20.77 m/s  
Previously measured velocity with Prandtl's pitot tube: 20.52 m/s



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