



FlexLink®

Merge module

XBUT 45 MR, 90 MR, 45 ML and 90 ML

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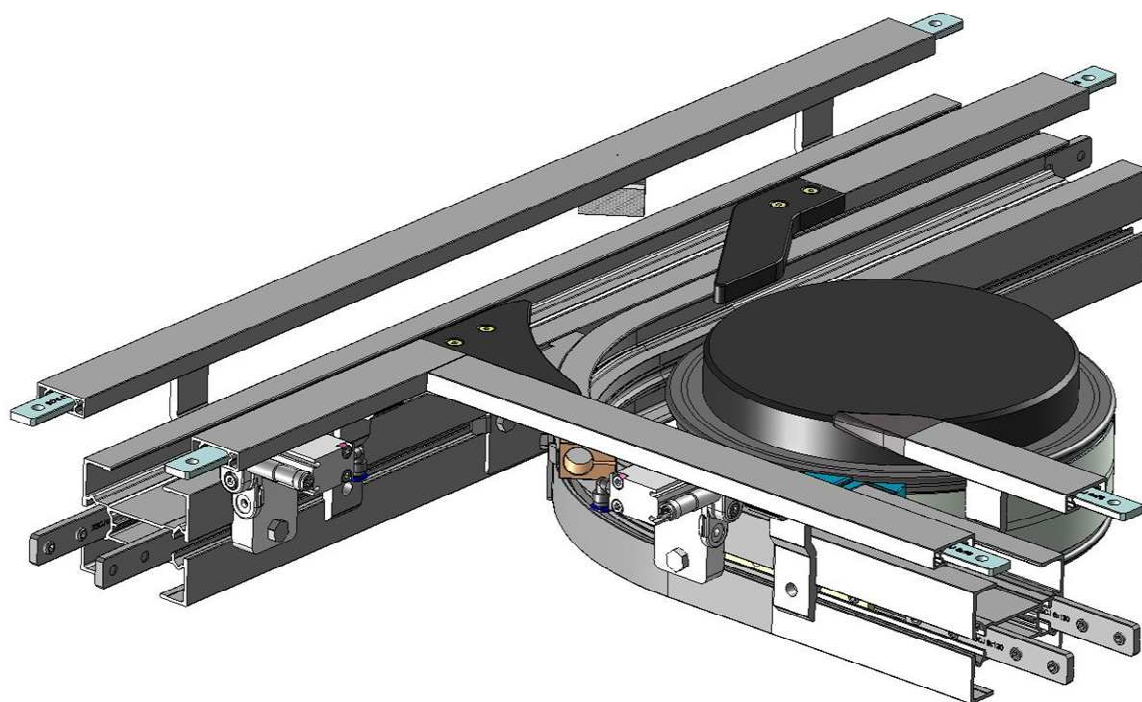
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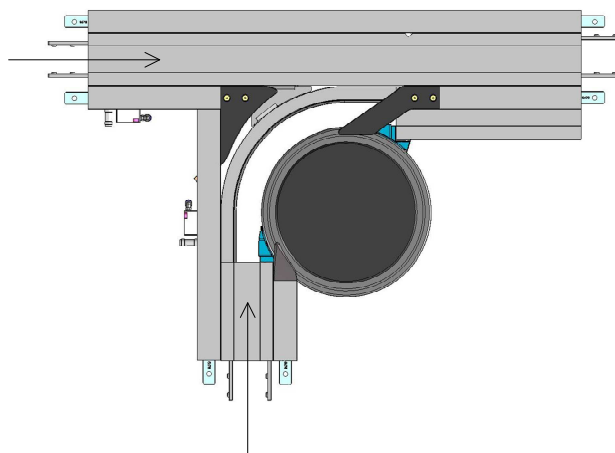
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Function description

The Merge module gives the opportunity to merge two flows of pallets (*satellite* to *highway*) in a fully controlled way.

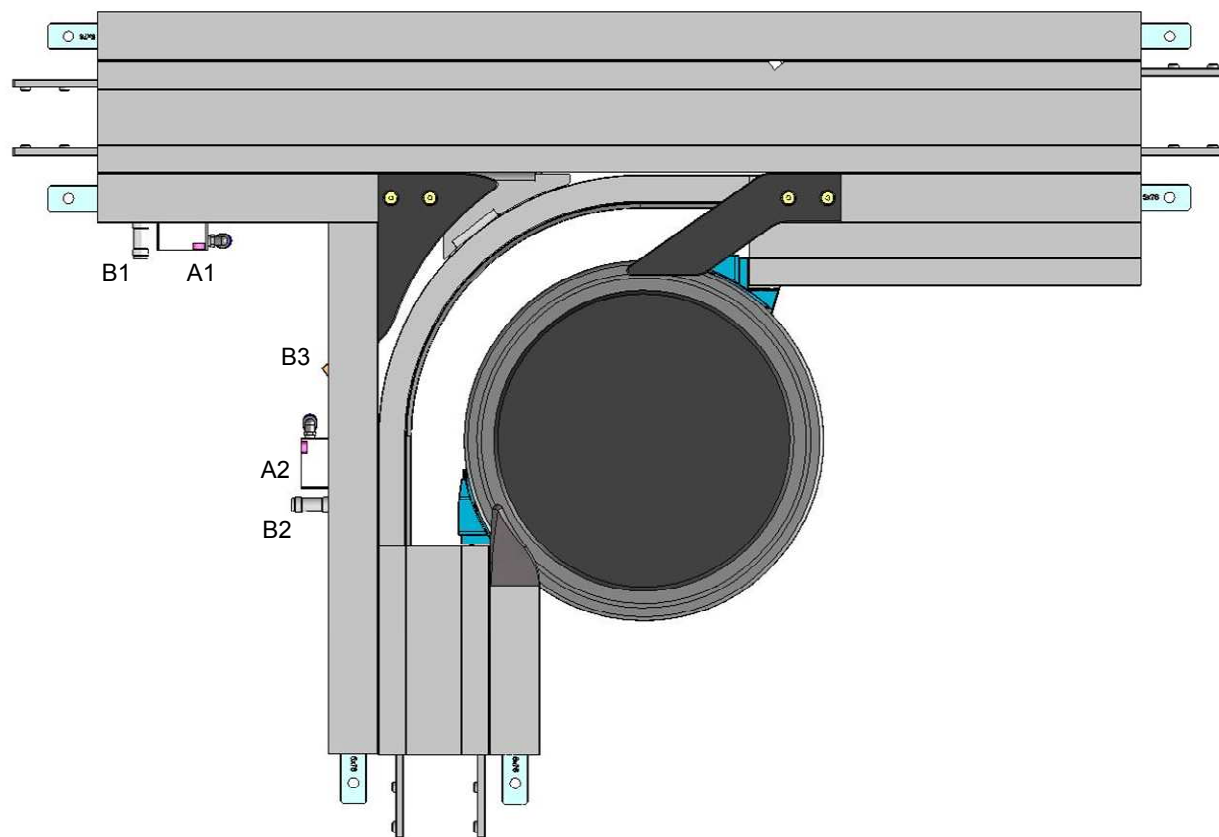
Stop positions

The two flows are equipped with stops in order to avoid collision.



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Initiators and actuators



Initiators

B1 Pre-stop highway
B2 Pre-stop satellite
B3 Sensing pallet route

Actuators

A1 Pre-stop. Single acting.
A2 Pre-stop. Single acting.

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Interfaces

Initiators

B1: M12-connector, 3-pin

B2: M12-connector, 3-pin

B3: M12-connector, 3-pin

Actuators

Pneumatic cylinders

A1: 6 mm

A2: 6 mm

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Spare parts

Standard name	Des.	Manufacturer	Type	External order no	FlexLink order no
Sensor	B1	SICK	IM12-08NPS-ZC1	7900045	XBPB 12 H
Sensor bracket		FlexLink			
Sensor	B2	SICK	IM12-08NPS-ZC1	7900045	
Sensor	B3	SICK	MHL 15-P3336	1026129	
Reflector		SICK	PL 21A	1015172	

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Cylinder details

Cylinder A1 and A2 "Pre-stop"

Type: Single acting with two ports.

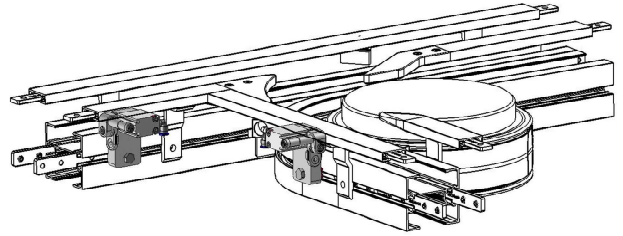
Function:

- Pressurized: Releases the pallet flow
- No pressure: Blocks the pallet flow

For safety reasons, the pallet stop is blocking the flow in case of a pressure drop, preventing pallets from travelling uncontrolled along the conveyor.

The stop should not re-block the flow while a pallet puck is in a position where it could be clamped.

It is recommended to re-block the flow after each pallet.



Cylinder A1 and A2

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Sensor details

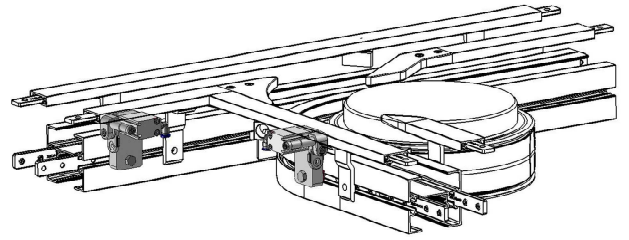
Sensor B1 and B2 "Pre-stop"

Type: Proximity switch, inductive

Position: Placed together with Pre-stop.

Function: Detects the initiator plate of the pallet before the pallet is stopped and stays active until the pallet leaves the stop.

The reason why the pallet is detected by the sensor before the pallet hits the stop, is to enhance the efficiency of the pallet flow. As the pallet is detected in advance, the controller has time to take a decision whether or not the pallet should be stopped. If it should pass, the stop changes state to "Release flow" before the pallet reaches it.

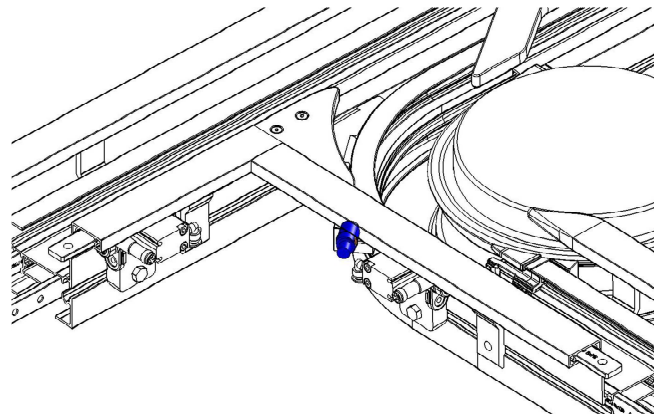


Sensor B1 and B2

Sensor B3 "Sensing pallet route"

Type: Photo eye.

Function: Detects if there is a pallet in the merging area. A new pallet must not be released from any of the stop positions before the merging area is clear.



Sensor B3

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Pneumatic drawing

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