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The AutoFilt® Concept

Challenge
Particle contamination in process water and other operating fluids accelerates the rate of wear of system components, pipelines and valves. The contamination in these media also has a detrimental effect on the quality of the end products.

In order to protect the operational infrastructure and to guarantee short maintenance times, it is essential to have a filtration system to remove solid particles from operating fluids.

Solution
Particle contamination in process water and other operating fluids accelerates the rate of wear of system components, pipelines and valves. The contamination in these media also has a detrimental effect on the quality of the end products.

Our Range of Services
- Automatic back-flushing filters for low to high viscosity fluids (water, coolants, heavy fuel oil, etc.)
- Development and improvement of filtration concepts
- Customised models
- System solutions
- Worldwide commissioning, service and maintenance

Note
The information in this brochure relates to the operating conditions and applications described. For applications and operating conditions not described, please contact the relevant technical department. Subject to technical modifications.
The perfect filtration solution for every requirement

Different requirements call for different filtration concepts and processes. Schroeder Industries offers the perfect solution for every fluid being filtered and for every type and pore size of contamination.

Key features of our automatic filters:

- **Isokinetics**
  (AutoFilt® RF3 / RF4 / RF4W / RF5 / RF7)
  Filtration with integral pressure cleaning

- **JetFlush**
  (AutoFilt® RF10 / AutoFilt® RF12)
  Technology with hydrodynamic suction effect

- **Hybrid**
  (AutoFilt® ATF TwistFlow Strainer)
  Centrifugal separation with a defined filtration rating

- **Hydropneumatics**
  (AutoFilt® RF9)
  Pressure cleaning with secure media separation

- **HySuction**
  (AutoFilt® RF14)
  Basket filter for fine filtration < 40 μm

Conservation of resources through the use of automatic filters

Filtration is usually one of the most important steps in multi-stage treatment processes, since it has a crucial impact on the operating efficiency of the main treatment and after-treatment processes further downstream.

Through the use of the automatic filters in the AutoFilt® series, system operators and the environment benefit equally from:

- Cleanable filter materials
- Improved service life for system components further downstream
- Lower energy consumption
- Increased process reliability
- Guaranteed quality

Inline filters for every industry and application

In the area of water treatment, various pressure-driven membrane processes are employed. The smallest particles (retentate) are retained and removed by a membrane. These processes include:

- Temperatures up to 400 °C
- Pressures up to 1000 bar
- Filtration ratings from 1 μm (absolute) to 10,000 μm
- Flow rates up to 3600 m³/h
# AutoFilt® Product Overview

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![Emulsion Filters](image2)

![Oil & Fuel Filters](image3)
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* With or without support structure

Subject to technical modifications.
Filter Element Technology

Selecting the Correct Filter

Nature of the medium being filtered

Type of contamination
- Particle size [µm]
- Contamination load (mg/l)
- Fluid group (PED 97/23/EC)
  - non-hazardous/hazardous
- Particle distribution
- Viscosity (cSt.)

Filter material and filtration rating

- Wedge wire
- SuperMesh wire mesh, sintered*
- Chemicon® metal fibre
- Perforated plate

Filter Element Types and Materials

1. Quality
The filter elements are the heart of every filter. To a large extent, they determine the performance. Schroeder filters therefore use only the best filter materials which meet the highest standards in respect of stability, durability and cleanability.

2. Performance
The automatic back-flushing filters in the Schroeder AutoFilt® series are usually supplied with conical filter elements. The conical shape and configuration of the filter elements allow consistent flow, resulting in a low pressure drop and complete cleaning of the filter elements.

Advantages
- Fewer back-flush cycles
- Smaller back-flush volumes
- Lower differential pressure (Δp)

3. Cleanability
Our automatic back-flushing filters are supplied exclusively with cleanable filter elements.

Downtimes due to filter element change are eliminated because the filters clean themselves automatically during operation.

This saves natural and financial resources in the long term resulting in a low pressure drop and complete cleaning of the filter elements.

Sizing and design criteria for selecting the filter

- 1.) Material resistance to fluid
- 2.) Flow rate
- 3.) Operating pressure
- 4.) Permitted pressure drop
- 5.) Temperature
- 6.) Connection size
- 7.) Filtration rating
- 8.) Economic standpoint
- 9.) Contamination load
- 10.) Viscosity
## Filter Element Technology

### Filter Elements

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Innovative Structure and Coating

SuperMesh
Wire mesh, sintered – With or without support structure
- Outstanding stability due to sintered element technology
- Highly effective cleaning
- Particles do not build up or lodge between the layers of the filter element
- Reliable filtration rating is guaranteed thanks to sintered filter layers and the uniform pore structure
- With its self-supporting structure, the available filtration area for the Schroeder filter element is up to 40% larger in comparison to conventional wire mesh filter elements with a support layer

SuperFlush
Non-stick coating for filter elements
- Available as an option for almost all filter element types in the AutoFilt® series
- Unique coating technology
- Available for conical filter elements
- Recommended for filtration ratings ≤ 200 μm
- Minimises the adhesion of sticky particles on the filter element surface
- Reduces biofouling
- Increases the interval between two back-flush cycles
- Increases efficiency

With and without SuperFlush non-stick coating
Industries and Applications

Power Plants
- Conditioning of industrial water used to cool generators
- Filtration of sealing water to increase the service life of the turbine shaft floating ring seals in hydropower stations

Steel Industry
- Filtration of process water to protect the nozzles and pumps in high pressure descaling
- Water conditioning for cooling blast furnaces and rolling mills
- Emulsion filtration in hot and cold rolling mills
- Filtration of rolling emulsions

Paper Industry
- Protection of all types of nozzles on paper machines
- Treatment of fresh water (e.g., river water) to be used for cooling

Automotive Industry
- Filtration of cooling lubricants
- Filtration of washing fluids
- Protection of machine tools

Marine
- Pre-filtration for ballast water treatment systems
- Filtration for flue gas purification systems (scrubber water)
- Filtration of fuels and lubricating oils in diesel engines

Chemical Industry
- Cooling water filtration
- Waste water filtration
- Filtration of chemicals

Oil and Gas Industry
- Filtration of injection water
- Filtration of cooling water
- Filtration of service water
- Filtration of flushing water (pipeline flushing)
- Filtration solution for the subsea sector

Water / Waste Water Treatment
- Protective filters before membrane systems
- Increase in service life
- Conditioning of service water in sewage treatment plants

Mining
- Filtration of water for sprinkler nozzles
- Filtration of water for cutting machines
- Cooling water treatment for mine ventilation
**Tried-and-tested operating principle: Variable filter design**

In process technology, the automatic back-flushing filter, AutoFilt® RF3 series, has been highly successful. It is used to separate solid particles from low viscosity fluids, and its flow-optimised design is impressive.

**Features**
- Separation of solid particles from low viscosity fluids
- Conical filter elements provide greater efficiency
- Variable housing design

**Advantages**
- Fully automatic operation
- Ready-to-operate unit
- Maximum utilisation of the filter area
- Remote monitoring possible with smartphone or tablet
- Self-diagnosis, system diagnosis, process monitoring
- Bidirectional communication of component activity
- Open connectivity to all commonly used customer interfaces (1 x Ethernet, 1 x serial RS-232 C/RS 485)

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Variable flange positions
**Isokinetic filtration and back-flushing**

The special conical shape and configuration of the filter elements allow consistent flow, resulting in a low pressure drop and complete cleaning of the filter elements.

- Fewer back-flush cycles
- Lower back-flushing losses
- Lower differential pressure (Δp)

**Isokinetic filtration and back-flushing**

The filter was developed using the latest flow simulation methods. The good flow characteristics allow the filter to be compact whilst achieving high filtration performance with low pressure drops.

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**Isokinetic filtration and back-flushing**

The filter element opening quotient (EFQX) is crucial for consistent flow without back-pressure through the filter element during filtration and backflushing. The EFQx value is the ratio of the open filter area of a filter element to the cross section of the opening of the filter element inlet.

\[
EFQ_X = \frac{A_F}{A_E}
\]

Where:
- \( A_F \) = open filter area of a filter element
- \( A_E \) = cross section of the opening of the filter element inlet

**Example:**

\[ EFQ_{100} < 3 \text{ for filter elements with filtration rating 100 \( \mu m \)} \]
Automatic Filter
AutoFilt® RF3

**Filtration**
- The medium being filtered flows through the filter elements from the inside to the outside
- Contamination particles then collect on the smooth inside of the filter elements
- As the level of contamination increases, the differential pressure between the contaminated and clean sides of the filter increases
- When the differential pressure reaches the pre-set trigger point, back-flushing starts automatically

**Automatic back-flushing is triggered:**
- When the differential pressure trigger point is exceeded
- By means of set timer function
- By pressing the “Test” button

As soon as back-flushing has been triggered, the backflushing filter starts to clean the filter elements.

*The back-flushing function depends on the selected control type.*

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**Self-cleaning automatic back-flushing filter for low flow rates**

The AutoFilt® RF4 is a continuously operating, fully automatic and self-cleaning filter for removing particles from low viscosity fluids.

**Features**
- Separation of solid particles from low viscosity fluids (coolants, water)
- Filtration ratings from 25 to 1000 μm
- Flow rates up to 385 l/min
- Conical filter elements provide greater efficiency

**Advantages**
- Compact design
- Fully automatic operation
- Ready-to-operate unit
- Maximum utilisation of the filter area
- Remote monitoring possible with smartphone or tablet
- Self-diagnosis, system diagnosis, process monitoring
- Bidirectional communication of component activity
- Open connectivity to all commonly used customer interfaces (1 x Ethernet, 1 x serial RS-232 C/RS 485)

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Self-cleaning automatic stainless steel back-flushing filter for water applications

The AutoFilt® RF4W is a continuously operating, fully automatic and self-cleaning filter for removing particles from low viscosity fluids.

Features

■ Separation of solid particles from low viscosity fluids
■ Flow rates up to 385 l/min
■ Conical filter element technology
  – Wedge wire (50 μm – 1000 μm)
  – SuperMesh wire mesh, 3 layer, sintered (25 μm, 40 μm, 60 μm)
  – Optional SuperFlush non-stick technology

Advantages

■ Ready-to-operate unit
■ Compact design with innovative sealing concept and quick-opening
■ Fully automatic operation
■ No interruption of filtration during back-flushing
■ Full filtration performance following back-flushing
■ Maximum utilisation of the filter area
■ Low operating costs
■ Low maintenance costs

Specifications: AutoFilt® RF4W

| Connection Sizes: | • Inlet / Outlet: G 2” | • Back-flush line: G 3/4” |
| Flow Rates: | 385 L/min |
| P_{min} / P_{max}: | Up to 16 bar |
| Max. Operating Temperature: | 80 °C |
| Filtration Ratings: | 25 to 1000 μm |
| Filter Elements: | • Slotted tube | • SuperMesh wire mesh, sintered | • Optional: SuperFlush non-stick coating |
| Filter Housing Materials: | • Stainless steel casting: 1.4581 or similar (group 316) |
| Corrosion Protection: | See filter housing materials |
| Material of Internal Parts and Filter Elements: | • Internal parts: Stainless steel group 304 (optional: group 316) | • Filter elements: Wedge wire, wire mesh – SuperMesh, stainless steel group 316 |
| Control Parameters | • Electro-pneumatic cyclic control | • Electrical circulation control – standard |
Function of the RF4 and RF4W

Filtration
- The medium being filtered flows through the filter elements from the inside to the outside
- Contamination particles then collect on the smooth inside of the filter elements
- As the level of contamination increases, the differential pressure between the contaminated and clean sides of the filter increases
- When the differential pressure reaches the pre-set trigger point, back-flushing starts automatically

Triggering back-flushing:
- **Automatically**: Automatic back-flushing is triggered when the differential pressure trigger point is exceeded
- **Manually**: When the visual clogging indicator responds

Back-flushing of the filter elements – Back-flush cycle
- The pneumatic drive rotates the filter element mounting plate, including the filter elements, into the correct position, so that a contaminated filter element sits over the flushing opening
- The back-flush valve is opened
- The pressure drop between filtrate side and back-flush line flushes a small amount of the filtrate back through the contaminated filter elements
- The contamination particles collected on the inside of the filter elements are loosened and flushed into the back-flush line via the flushing arm
- After the “back-flushing time per filter element” has elapsed, the back-flush valve is closed
- In this way, all the filter elements are back-flushed, one after the other
- A full back-flush cycle is complete once all filter elements have been cleaned
- On the AutoFilt® RF4 with manual back-flushing, the filter element mounting plate, including the filter elements, is rotated and the back-flush valve is opened by hand
Isokinetic filtration and back-flushing
The special conical shape and configuration of the filter elements allow consistent flow, resulting in a low pressure drop and complete cleaning of the filter elements.
- Fewer back-flush cycles
- Lower back-flushing losses

Small back-flush volumes due to cyclic control
The back-flush valve opens and closes during back-flushing of each filter element.

Pulse-aided back-flushing
The flushing arm remains under the filter element for only a few seconds. Rapid opening of the pneumatic back-flush valve generates a pressure surge in the filter element openings, and supplements the cleaning effect of the back-flushing process.

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                                      • Cooling channels, pipelines, rotary joints and valves are protected from wear and clogging |
| Power Plants                 | • Conditioning of industrial water used to cool generators  
                                      • Filtration of sealing water to increase the service life of the turbine floating ring seals |
| Paper Industry               | • Protection of all types of nozzles on paper machines  
                                      • Treatment of fresh water (e. g. river water) to be used for cooling |
| Water & Wastewater Treatment | • Protective filters before membrane systems  
                                      • Conditioning of service water in sewage treatment plants |
Self-cleaning automatic back-flushing filter with proven technology and vertical filter inlet

The robust construction and the automatic back-flushing of the AutoFilt® RF5 make a significant contribution to operational reliability and reduce operating and maintenance costs.

Features
- Separation of solid particles from low viscosity fluids (cooling lubricants, water)
- Filtration ratings from 200 to 3000 μm
- Flow rates up to 4200 m³/h
- Conical filter elements provide greater efficiency
- Vertical filter inlet

Advantages
- Fully automatic operation
- Ready-to-operate unit
- Maximum utilisation of the filter area
- Isokinetic filtration and back-flushing

Specifications: AutoFilt® RF5

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Filtration
- The medium being filtered flows through the filter elements from the inside to the outside
- Contamination particles then collect on the smooth inside of the filter elements
- As the level of contamination increases, the differential pressure between the contaminated and clean sides of the filter increases
- When the differential pressure reaches the pre-set trigger point, back-flushing starts automatically

Automatic back-flushing is triggered:
- When the differential pressure trigger point is exceeded
- By means of set timer function
- By pressing the “Test” button

As soon as back-flushing has been triggered, the back-flushing filter starts to clean the filter elements.

Control Parameters

Electro-pneumatic cyclic control
- The back-flush valve opens
- The gear motor continuously rotates the flushing arm underneath the filter elements to be cleaned
- The pressure drop between filtrate side and back-flush line flushes a small amount of the filtrate back through the contaminated filter elements
- The contamination particles collected on the inside of the filter elements are loosened and flushed into the backflush line via the flushing arm
- After the set back-flushing time has elapsed, the gear motor stops and the backflush valve is closed

Pneumatic cyclic control
- Like electro-pneumatic cyclic control but with purely pneumatic components

Electrical cyclic control
- Like electro-pneumatic cyclic control but with an electrical back-flush valve

Electro-pneumatic cyclic control
- The gear motor rotates the flushing arm to the filter elements to be cleaned and stops
- The back-flush valve is opened and cleaned due to the pressure drop between filtrate side and back-flush line
- After the back-flushing time per filter element has elapsed, the back-flush valve is closed
- The gear motor rotates the flushing arm further to the next filter element
- A full back-flush cycle is complete once all filter elements have been cleaned

Pneumatic cyclic control with timer function
- Like pneumatic cyclic control but with the option of setting a maximum filtration time between two back-flush cycles, independently of the differential pressure

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Self-cleaning automatic back-flushing filter for low installation heights

The AutoFilt® RF7 is used for removing solid particles from low viscosity fluids. It supplements the Schroeder back-flushing filter product range with an additional user-friendly and compact series, which is particularly suitable for use in systems with limited space.

Features

- Space-saving, horizontal design
- Pivoting lid device supplied as standard, for easy access to the inside of the filter
- Separation of solid particles from low viscosity fluids
- Filtration ratings from 25 to 3000 μm
- Flow rates up to 7500 m³/h
- Conical filter elements provide greater efficiency

Advantages

- Ideally suited to systems with limited space
- Fully automatic operation
- Ready-to-operate unit
- Maximum utilisation of the filter area
- Isokinetic filtration and back-flushing

Specifications: AutoFilt® RF7

| Connection Sizes: | DN 50 to DN 900 |
| Flow Rates: | 7500 m³/h |
| $P_{\text{min}} / P_{\text{max}}$: | 2 bar / 16 bar |
| Max. Operating Temperature: | 90 °C |
| Filtration Ratings: | 25 to 3000 μm |
| Filter Elements: | • Slotted tube | • SuperMesh wire mesh, sintered | • Optional: SuperFlush non-stick coating |
| Filter Housing Materials: | • Carbon steel | • Stainless steel |
| Corrosion Protection: | • Rubber lining | • 2K epoxy coating | • 2K highly cross-linked polyurethane coating |
| Material of Internal Parts and Filter Elements: | Stainless steel |
| Control Parameters | • Electro-pneumatic cyclic control | • Pneumatic cyclic control | • Pneumatic cyclic control with timer function | • Electro-pneumatic circulation control | • Manual | • Without control (control by customer sps) |
**Automatic Filter**

**AutoFilt® RF7**

**Filtration**
- The medium being filtered flows through the filter elements from the inside to the outside
- Contamination particles then collect on the smooth inside of the filter elements
- As the level of contamination increases, the differential pressure between the contaminated and clean sides of the filter increases
- When the differential pressure reaches the pre-set trigger point, back-flushing starts automatically

**Automatic back-flushing is triggered:**
- When the differential pressure trigger point is exceeded
- By means of set timer function
- By pressing the “Test” button

As soon as back-flushing has been triggered, the back-flushing filter starts to clean the filter elements.

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**Control Parameters**

**Electro-pneumatic cyclic control**
- The gear motor rotates the flushing arm to the filter elements to be cleaned and stops
- The back-flush valve is opened and cleaned due to the pressure drop between filtrate side and back-flush line
- After the back-flushing time per filter element has elapsed, the back-flush valve is closed
- The gear motor rotates the flushing arm further to the next filter element
- A full back-flush cycle is complete once all filter elements have been cleaned

**Pneumatic cyclic control**
- Like electro-pneumatic cyclic control but with purely pneumatic components.

**Pneumatic cyclic control with timer function**
- Like pneumatic cyclic control but with the option of setting a maximum filtration time between two back-flush cycles, independently of the differential pressure.

**Electrical circulation control**
- The electrical back-flush valve opens
- The gear motor continuously rotates the flushing arm underneath the filter elements to be cleaned
- The pressure drop between filtrate side and back-flush line flushes a small amount of the filtrate back through the contaminated filter elements
- The contamination particles collected on the inside of the filter elements are loosened and flushed into the back-flush line via the flushing arm
- When the flushing arm reaches its starting position, the gear motor stops and the electrical back-flush valve closes automatically

**Electro-pneumatic circulation control**
- Like electrical circulation control but with the back-flush unit operated pneumatically.

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JetFlush technology – Hydrodynamic suction effect

The new, patented technology used in the Schroeder AutoFilt® RF10 breaks new ground and provides a solution for applications where conventional back-flushing filters have already reached their design limit. The AutoFilt® RF10 is particularly suitable for applications with high dirt loads and surges in contamination.

Features
- Variable filter isometry
- Individual control parameters
- Filtration ratings from 40 μm to 3000 μm
- Electro-pneumatic power supply
- Stainless steel filter elements
- Corrosion protection for carbon steel filter housing: Polyurethane coating

Advantages
- Back-flushing independent of pressure on clean side of filter
- Dependent only on the inlet pressure
- Highly efficient back-flushing with low pressure conditions and long back-flush lines
- With its highly efficient back-flushing, the filter is suitable for high dirt loads and also surges in contamination
- Low maintenance requirements reduce operating costs

Specifications: AutoFilt® RF10

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**Filtration Function**

**Filtration without interrupting production:**
**Consistent performance and cleanliness**

- The medium being filtered enters the filter housing via the filter inlet and flows through the filter elements of the backflushing filter from the inside to the outside and leaves the filter via the filter outlet.

- During the filtration process, the JetFlush reservoir located above the filter elements fills with and stores medium from the contaminated side.

- As fluid is filtered, particles collect on the inside of the filter elements.

- As the level of contamination increases, the differential pressure between the contaminated and clean sides of the filter increases.

- When the differential pressure reaches the pre-set trigger point, back-flushing starts automatically.

**Triggering back-flushing**

Automatic back-flushing is triggered:

- When the differential pressure trigger point is exceeded.
- By means of a timer.
- By pressing the test button.
**Back-flushing Function**

**Simultaneously during filtration**

**Phase 1 of back-flushing – Removing the contamination particles**

**Back-flushing in general:**
- The gear motor rotates the flushing arm to the filter element to be cleaned
- The back-flush valve opens
- The pressure drop between the filter inlet and the back-flush line, combined with the conical geometry of the element, triggers the special JetFlush effect of the AutoFilt® RF10
- The remaining filter elements continue filtering to ensure uninterrupted filtration

**Phase 1 of back-flushing – Stripping away the contamination:**
- In the first phase, unfiltered fluid from the JetFlush reservoir above flows into the filter element
- The conical filter element geometry produces a core flow here, supplied mainly by the JetFlush reservoir
- This core flow is supported by the open JetFlush effect which also draws water from the filtrate side into the inside of the filter element

**Effective back-flushing without interrupting filtration**

**Phase 2 of back-flushing – Discharging the contamination**
- Once the core flow has developed, the JetFlush reservoir located above the filter element is closed
- When the opening at the top of the filter element closes, the second phase is initiated, namely discharging the contamination: The moving column of fluid draws water from the filtrate side as soon as the fluid supply stops as a result of the filter element closing at the top
- The conical filter element geometry ensures the whole surface of the filter element is now clean and residue-free
- The contamination is discharged via the back-flush line
- After cleaning the filter element, the flushing arm rotates to the next filter element to be cleaned; the process is repeated
- When the back-flush cycle is finished, the back-flush valve is closed
Automatic Filter
AutoFilt® RF10

Overview

**Maintenance**
Low maintenance requirements minimise your operating costs.
*The optional cover plate lifting device* facilitates access to the filter housing.

**Individual control parameters**
*Control via PLC with LCD display* to adjust and read operating parameters, e.g.:
- Differential pressure trigger point
- Initiate "Test" cycle
- Timer
- and much more ...

**Variable filter isometry**
Greatest flexibility is guaranteed when installing the filter into the system because *the flange position can be adjusted* (inlet / outlet / back-flush line).

**Sacrificial anode**
Optional cathodic corrosion protection provided by an easy-to-install *sacrificial anode*.
This protects the internal parts of the filter as well as the filter elements against corrosion, e.g. in seawater applications.

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Compact automatic filter with energy-optimised filtration and back-flushing principle – The efficient alternative to cyclone separators

The performance of conventional automatic filters is defined to a large extent by the prevailing differential pressure between the filter outlet and back-flush line. In contrast to this, the AutoFilt® RF12 is notable for being completely unaffected by this pressure drop. The AutoFilt® RF12 is impressive due to its highly efficient back-flushing, and is dependent only on the inlet pressure.

Features
- Highly-efficient back-flushing based on conical JetFlush technology
- Dependent only on the inlet pressure, required inlet pressure min.

Advantages
- Energy-optimised filtration and back-flushing principle
- Not dependent on pressure of filtrate
- Compact design
- Simple design
- Simple integration and flexible adaptation to the machine
- Maintenance-friendly design

### Specifications: AutoFilt® RF10

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1. Filtration

- The medium being filtered enters the filter housing via the filter inlet and flows through the filter element from the inside to the outside.
- The filtrate leaves the filter via the filter outlet.
- As fluid is filtered, particles collect on the inside of the filter element and the differential pressure between the contaminated and clean sides increases.

**Triggering back-flushing**

- After the time pre-set on the timer has elapsed, or by means of an optional differential pressure gauge, back-flushing starts automatically.

2. Phase 1 of back-flushing: Stripping away the contamination

- The back-flush valve opens.
- A pressure drop occurs between the filter inlet and the back-flush line.
- Unfiltered fluid from the filter inlet above flows into the filter element.
- The conical filter element geometry produces a core flow, supplied mainly by the filter inlet.
- This core flow is supported by the open JetFlush effect which also draws clean fluid from the filtrate side into the inside of the filter element.

3. Phase 2 of back-flushing: Discharging the contamination

- The JetFlush valve above the filter element is closed.
- The moving column of fluid draws clean fluid from the filtrate side as soon as the supply of unfiltered fluid stops as a result of the JetFlush reservoir closing.
- The flow of filtrate is interrupted during this phase.
- After the JetFlush valve is opened, the contamination is discharged by means of a flow of unfiltered fluid via the back-flush line.
- After the back-flush valve is closed, the filter begins filtering again.

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Centrifugal separation with a defined filtration rating – Outstanding performance due to hybrid technology

Through the unique combination which provides the filtration performance of a hydrocyclone and filtration rating of an inline filter, the ATF offers greater process reliability and increased efficiency in one system.

Features
■ Suitable for a wide variability in the quality of untreated water
■ Copes easily with high contamination loads
■ No transfer of contamination to the clean side
■ 2-stage operating principle:
  Stage 1: High contamination loads are tackled by the cyclone-like flow and it is this that achieves the filtration performance and efficiency of a centrifugal separator.
  Stage 2: The conical filter element guarantees the filtration rating and prevents transfer of contamination to the clean side – irrespective of fluctuations in the operating conditions and the contamination density.

Advantages
■ Consistent filtrate quality
■ Continuous filtration – constant self-cleaning
■ No rotary parts – easy to service and low maintenance
■ Also available as a system solution for higher flow rates

Specifications: AutoFilt® AFT

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Automatic Filter

**AutoFilt® TwistFlow Strainer ATF**

### Function

**Filtration**
- Fluid enters the housing tangentially
- As a result of the tangential inflow and the conical housing cross-section, the fluid flows down in a spiral shape
- Particles with a high density are pressed against the housing wall by the centrifugal forces, and are deposited in the lower section of the housing
- Particles with a low density, which are not deposited below, are separated out by the conical slotted tube filter element with a defined filtration rating

**Cleaning**
- Deposited particles and those separated by the conical slotted tube filter element collect in the lower section and are removed periodically
- Cleaning is performed by flushing with unfiltered fluid
- Filtration is continuous as only partial flow is used for flushing

The AutoFilt® TwistFlow Strainer ATF can achieve ratings finer than 200 μm

Depending on the specific weight, even particles < 100 μm are separated effectively. Whereas with conventional hydrocyclones under changed operating conditions there is the risk of contamination reaching the clean side, the conical slotted tube in the ATF performs a protective function (safety filter) with defined filtration ratings and thus prevents contamination reaching the clean side.

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### Application Examples

**Application Examples**

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| Hydropower Stations     | • Conditioning of industrial water used to cool generators  
                         | • Filtration of sealing water to increase the service life of the turbine shaft floating ring seals  |
| Alpine Technology       | • Filtration of water to protect snow cannons  
                         | • Snow quality assurance |
| Paper Industry          | • Protection of spray nozzles for the screens  
                         | • Fewer downtimes caused by clogging and wear |
| Steel Industry          | • Protection of the nozzles and pumps in high pressure descaling  
                         | • Water conditioning for cooling blast furnaces and rolling mills |
| Sewage Treatment Plants | • Filtration of a take-off of the clear run to save valuable drinking water or well water  
                         | • Filtration of service water |
| Environmental Technology| • Pre-filters before waste water treatment plants |
Hydropneumatic Filter

Hydropneumatic back-flushing with secure media separation

This filter is a product of Schroeder’s expertise and strong innovative drive, and combines the two disciplines, robust filtration and tried-and-tested piston accumulators. What sets the AutoFilt® RF9 apart is its globally unique, patented hydropneumatic back-flushing technology with secure media separation.

Features

■ Back-flushing driven by external medium
■ Large filter surface for its compact size
■ Low-maintenance, service-friendly design
■ Suitable for fuels, cooling lubricants, lubricating oils
■ External heater possible
■ Optional: bypass filter
■ Optional: Sludge Treatment Unit STU for back-flush volume treatment

Advantages

■ No mixing with the compressed air
■ Adjustable back-flushing intensity
■ Efficient hydraulic cleaning
■ High cleaning efficiency
■ No reduction in pressure during back-flushing
■ Low compressed air consumption
■ Low pressure drops
■ Intelligent control system

Specifications: AutoFilt® RF9

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Filtration – Consistent filtration performance

- The medium enters the filter housing via the inlet and is distributed evenly to the different filter chambers. One cleaned filter chamber is always on stand-by.

- The flow direction through the filter elements A in the chambers is from the outside to the inside. The contamination is separated from the fluid on the outer surface of the filter element and is retained there.

- The cleaned medium leaves the various filter chambers, collects in the upper part of the filter housing and exits the filter through the outlet.

- As the level of contamination in the filter elements increases, the differential pressure in the filter increases.
Back-flushing Function

Preparing to back-flush –
Without interrupting filtration

- When the differential pressure in the filter reaches the pre-set value, back-flushing is initiated. Back-flushing can also be carried out manually or at set intervals.

- When back-flushing has been initiated, the gear motor turns the back-flushing unit B to the next filter chamber.

  As the unit turns, the cleaned filter element is released from stand-by and the differential pressure is re-set.

  A sensor stops the gear motor from turning as soon as the new filter chamber is reached.

- The back-flush valve C and the piston accumulator diaphragm valve open simultaneously.

Back-flushing –
With excellent efficiency

- The energy stored in the compressed air moves the back-flushing piston D, forcing the filtrate to flow in the reverse direction through the filter elements. The contaminated particles are detached from the filter material and discharged through the open back-flushing port.

- When the back-flushing piston D has reached its end position, both the back-flushing port and piston accumulator diaphragm valve close.

- It takes less than a second to clean the filter element.

- The back-flushing chamber is refilled via the filling bore and the piston returns to its starting position; in other words the accumulator is charged with the filter’s own cleaned medium, ready to clean another filter element.
**Filter elements are held securely**
- Special design to hold filter elements securely prevents the elements from unintentionally working loose or falling out
- User-friendly handling, no tools or torque required
- Changing the element is quick and easy – simply remove the filter cover plate

**Back-flushing piston**
- Guaranteed separation of filtrate and compressed air
- Special H design permits installation in any position

**Flushing device**
- Maximum flow cross-section, optimised flow dynamics
- Flexible design
- Optimum adaptability for every application due to a specially designed filling bore

**Back-flushing port**
- Can be configured to suit installation situation, space-saving positioning

**Trace heating (optional)**
- Start not dependent on temperature, highly viscous media can be pre-heated
- Choice of heating media

**Bypass filter (optional)**
- Integrated filtration solution
- Manual bypass filter

**Sludge Treatment Unit STU (optional)**
- Back-flush treatment

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<td>• Fine filtration of cooling lubricants</td>
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HySuction technology – Self-cleaning basket filter, specially for filtration < 40 µm

For the first time in a Schroeder filter, the technology of the basket-based back-flushing filter has been used in the AutoFilt® RF14 as a supplement to the automatic filter product family.

Features
- Extremely rapid back-flushing
- High cleaning efficiency
- Variable filter isometry

Advantages
- Low rinsing water loss
- Perfect for filtering larger dirt volumes
- Compact design

**Specifications: AutoFilt® RF14**

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Function

Filtration

- The fluid to be filtered flows through the filter basket of the back-flushing filter, passing from the inside to the outside
- Particles then collect on the inside of the filter basket
- As the level of filter contamination increases, the differential pressure between the contaminated and the clean side increases
- When the differential pressure reaches the pre-set trigger point, back-flushing of the filter basket starts automatically
- The axially arranged cleaning device is rotated by the gear motor
- The cleaning nozzles slide over the entire inside of the filter basket in the radial direction, back-flushing the filter mesh
- No interruption of the filtrate flow during back-flushing

Filtration

You can choose how the back-flushing is initiated:

- When the pre-set triggering differential pressure is exceeded
- By means of set time override
- By pressing the “TEST” button

Procedure for automatic back-flushing – back-flush cycle

- When the back-flushing is initiated, the gear motor starts and rotates the axially arranged cleaning device with individual cleaning nozzles
- The back-flush valve in the back-flush line is opened
- Due to the differential pressure arising between filtrate line and back-flush line, a partial reversal of flow occurs in the area surrounding the cleaning nozzles
- Part of the filtrate flows from outside to inside through the filter basket into the openings of the cleaning nozzles, while the contamination adhering to the inside of the filter basket is carried along by the flow that develops
- While the gear motor continues to rotate, the cleaning nozzles slide along the entire inside of the filter basket radially
- This results in the filter basket being entirely cleaned
- Once the back-flush cycle is complete, the back-flush valve in the back-flush line closes and the rotation of the motor stops

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Applications & Industries

Steel Industry / Descaling
- High pressure descaling in rolling mills
- Protection of high pressure pumps and spray nozzles
- Water conditioning for cooling blast furnaces and rolling mills

Schroeder solutions:
- AutoFilt® RF3 / RF4 / RF4W / RF5 / RF7
- AutoFilt® TwistFlow Strainer ATF
- Inline and screen basket filters
- Skid and system solutions

Hydropower Stations
- Conditioning of industrial water used to cool generators
- Filtration of sealing water to increase the service life of the turbine shaft floating ring seals
- Water treatment for ball valve hydraulics

Schroeder solutions:
- AutoFilt® RF3 / RF4W / RF5 / RF7 / RFH
- AutoFilt® TwistFlow Strainer ATF
- Inline and screen basket filters
- Skid and system solutions

Paper Manufacturing
- Fresh water treatment
- Cooling water treatment
- Sealing water treatment
- Warm water filtration
- Protective filters before felt sprinkling
- Waste water treatment
- Steam generation

Schroeder solutions:
- AutoFilt® RF3 / RF4 / RF4W / RF5 / RF7
- AutoFilt® TwistFlow Strainer ATF
- Inline and screen basket filters
- Skid and system solutions
### Artificial Snow

- Contamination in the water (sand, glacial sediment, etc.) causes damage to the snow cannon nozzles and reduces snow quality

**Schroeder solutions:**
- AutoFilt® RF3 / RF4 / RF4W / RF5 / RF7
- AutoFilt® TwistFlow Strainer ATF
- Inline and screen basket filters
- Skid and system solutions

### Water filtration – work areas and filtration ratings

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**Dirt trap:** PRFS Screen basket filter

**Hybrid:** AutoFilt® ATF TwistFlow Strainer

**All-rounder:** AutoFilt® RF3 / RF4W / RF5 / RF7

**Specialized for low pressure:** AutoFilt® RF10

**Optimized for filtration < 40 μm:** AutoFilt® RF14
### Applications & Industries

#### Coarse filtration
- ≥ 200 μm

#### Fine filtration
- 200 – 25 μm

#### Ultrafine Filtration
- 25 – 1 μm

#### Cleaning in place filtration
- Conventional solution
- Special Schroeder solution

### Industrial Part Washers
- Fresh water treatment
- Treatment of washing fluids

**Schroeder solutions:**
- AutoFilt® RF3 / RF4 / RF4W / RF5 / RF7
- AutoFilt® TwistFlow Strainer ATF
- Process Inline Filter PLF1
- BTU Back-Flush Treatment Unit

### Diagram

**UF**
- Fresh water treatment
- Treatment of washing fluids

**MMF**
- Fresh water treatment
- Treatment of washing fluids

**Special Schroeder solution**
- Fresh water treatment
- Treatment of washing fluids
Automotive Industry

1. Secondary filtration of centralised cooling lubricant systems
2. Filtration of industrial part washers and test rigs
3. Protective filtration of high pressure cooling lubricant circuits
4. Secondary filtration of decentralised cooling lubricant systems
5. Filtration of process and cooling water

Schroeder solutions:
- AutoFilt® RF3 / RF4 / RF4W / RF7 / RF9 / RF12
- Process Booster Block PBB
- BTU Back-Flush Treatment Unit
- Process Inline Filter PLF1
Applications & Industries

**Fuel**

- MDO / MGO
- HFO
- Bypass filter
- AutoFilt® RF9
- Overflow tank
- Supply system (<100°C)
- Booster system (>100°C)
- Diesel engine
- Change-over protective filter
- Mixing tank
- Booster pumps
- Heating units
- Supply pumps
- Booster system
- Pump protection filters
- AutoFilt® RF9

**Lubricating Oil**

- Diesel engine
- Protective filter
- AutoFilt® RF9
- Automatic filter, optionally available with bypass filter
- Bypass flow maintenance and dewatering
- Separator
- Lubricating oil
- Pump protection filters
- Flushing volume treatment
- Pumps
- Oil coolers

**Fine Filtration of Cooling Lubricants**

- AutoFilt® RF9
- Secondary filter
- Process Inline Filter PLF1
- Pre-filtration
- P2
- P3
- P1
- Back-flush volume treatment
- Bypass flow maintenance
**Applications & Industries**

**Ballast Water**
- Ballast water treatment
- Pre-filtration

**Schroeder solutions:**
- AutoFilt® RF3 / RF7 / RF10 / RF14

**Exhaust Gas Treatment System**
- ("EGTS" or "Scrubber")

- Nozzle protection
- Protection of the plate heat exchanger
- Washing water treatment of the closed circuit

**Schroeder solutions:**
- AutoFilt® RF3 / RF5 / RF7 / RF10 / RF14
- Process Inline Filter PLF1
- PRFS
- BTU Back-Flush Treatment Unit
- Cooler
Applications & Industries

Filters, pre-tests, product training and service

Process Filter Test-Cube
- Insulated 40° High Cube
- Process area with integrated frequency-controlled pump
- Separate electric operating area

Filter Test Stations
- 2x DN 250
- 1x DN 80

Test Site

The test site is located on the premises of Kraeft GmbH Systemtechnik in Bremerhaven, part of the Schroeder company group and an industry and service expert in marine equipment, hydraulic steel structures, system engineering and much more. With its favourable location at the Weser estuary, the site provides ideal test conditions with low tide influence.

Range of services
- Filter test bench
- Filter pre-tests for customers
- Customised system optimisation
- Service training
Working with over 100 partners worldwide, Schroeder Industries remains at the forefront in the fields of fluid conditioning, diagnostics, and specialized energy products. Our process filtration division provides exceptional products and services benefiting a broad range of industrial applications, including:

- Agriculture
- Automotive Manufacturing
- Chemical Processing
- Industrial
- Machine Tool
- Marine
- Mining Technology
- Offshore
- Paper Industry
- Power Generation
- Sewage Water and Waste Water Treatment
- Steel Making
- Thermal Transfer

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