KBK Classic and KBK Ergo
Crane Construction Kit
Overhead transport, exact positioning, ergonomic handling
Suspension monorails from the KBK classic crane construction kit are the optimum solution for linear, overhead handling.

Outstanding versatility
A wide range of components makes it possible to adapt the route precisely to meet the structural requirements of your workshop. At the same time, the system ensures that all specific product and workplace requirements of your production facility are met.

Transfer between suspension monorails and single-girder suspension cranes is also possible using latching devices.

Ideal equipment carriers
The special profiles of the KBK crane construction kit are particularly suitable for applications such as tracks for load balancers fitted with testing devices and electric and pneumatic tools, etc. and power supply lines for cranes and other mobile equipment.

Cable trolleys can also be used for suspending hoses for transporting fluids or gases.

| Profile selection: max. distances between supports, headroom dimensions |
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| **KBK Track Profile** | **Capacity** | **175 lb** | **275 lb** | **550 lb** | **1100 lb** | **2200 lb** |
| 100 I | Maximum Hanger Spacing | 9.8 ft. | 7.9 ft. | | | |
| II-L | | 16.4 ft. | 13.5 ft. | 8.2 ft. | | |
| II | | 23.0 ft. | 19.0 ft. | 11.5 ft. | | |
| III | | 26.2 ft. | 17.7 ft. | 10.5 ft. | | |
| | | **3530 lb** | **4400 lb** | | | |
| | | 26.2 ft. | 18.7 ft. | 13.5 ft. | 11.2 ft. | |

KBK classic suspension monorails can be built to almost any design: from simple, manually controlled straight sections to complex, semi or fully automated closed-circuit monorail systems.
Single-girder suspension cranes
Favourable dimensions, low deadweight

Single-girder suspension cranes from the KBK crane construction kit are used for fast and safe area-serving overhead handling and exact positioning of a wide variety of goods.

The benefits of KBK classic single-girder suspension cranes include latching devices that allow direct transfer of the hoist trolley between the crane and a suspension monorail.

Flexible ball and socket connections between the crane girder and end carriages enable single-girder cranes to operate on tracks that are not parallel.

Easy and cost-effective
KBK classic single-girder suspension cranes can be simply suspended from the building roof or superstructure. Additional supports for the crane runway are not necessary. Even partial areas of a workshop may be easily fitted with suspension cranes at low cost.

Smooth and reliable handling
Thanks to their low deadweight and free-running trolleys, the cranes allow heavy and awkward components to be moved quickly and easily by hand.

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Double-girder suspension cranes from the KBK classic crane construction kit feature a low deadweight and favourable structural dimensions. In addition, the pendulating suspension largely absorbs the horizontal forces caused by starting, braking and stopping.

Double-girder suspension cranes can even be installed in buildings of light steel construction.

Large lifting heights
Arrangement of the hoist unit between the two crane girders provides KBK classic double-girder cranes with a greater useful lifting height.

Large spans
KBK classic double-girder cranes can also operate on several runways, thus providing large spans to cover extensive storage and production areas.

The cranes can be easily moved by hand. However, electric friction wheel travel drives from the KBK crane construction kit are recommended for spans greater than 19.7 ft. and load capacities exceeding 1,100 lbs.

Power supply cable trolleys travel in the KBK runway or crane girder sections. The control pendant can also travel independently of the hoist when fitted to a separate travel rail.

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Profile of crane girders: 100 ft, 150 ft, 200 ft, 250 ft, 300 ft, 350 ft, 400 ft.
With the KBK ergo modular system, double-girder suspension cranes can also be designed as manipulator cranes. They can be designed to meet the exact needs of the relevant loads, processes and production conditions. They make it possible to:

- Move workpieces and subassemblies into the most favourable positions for the relevant process,
- Serve workplaces, machinery and installations from any direction,
- Perform operations outside the suspension area, thus increasing the operating range.

**Innovative and ready to meet tomorrow’s needs**
Based on KBK-I, KBK-II-L or KBK-II rails, manipulator cranes are built using selected KBK ergo components to meet the operating requirements. They feature the ability to accommodate kick-up forces. In addition, they offer outstanding positioning accuracy, together with a high working speed. In this way, handling operations can be optimised in line with ergonomic requirements for maximum efficiency.

**Fast upgrade**
If you already have double-girder suspension cranes from the KBK classic crane construction kit, they can be easily and quickly extended with KBK ergo components to become manipulator cranes.
Overhung and extending cranes
Large overhang – constant or variable

If you also want to move loads beyond the limits of the crane suspension – we can make this possible with KBK.

**Overhung cranes**
KBK-ergo overhung cranes are fitted with crane girders that extend up to 8.2 ft. beyond the width of the crane runway. This enables you to reach bays added at a later date, for example. Or you can handle loads below ducts, radiant heaters, pipes or similar obstacles between the wall and roof which result in the crane runway having to be positioned at a distance to the wall.

**Extending cranes**
KBK classic and KBK ergo extending cranes feature additional girders that are arranged between or beneath the crane girders. Depending on the design, they can be extended to one or both sides beyond the crane runway width. These cranes can also be used for lifting and positioning loads in almost inaccessible areas, e.g. between pillars and columns.

Depending on the required extension length, extending cranes may be completed with KBK classic or also with KBK ergo elements.

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Stacker cranes, portal cranes
Specialised handling equipment for warehouse and factory

**Stacker cranes**
Stacker cranes from the KBK classic crane construction kit consist mainly of a KBK classic double-girder suspension crane and a special stacker trolley. They are used wherever unit loads, containers or pallets weighing up to 1,100 lbs. have to be transported, sorted and stored. They make it possible to complete all tasks in one work cycle without the need for ladders, order picking trolleys or similar equipment.

The lifting carriage can be fitted with forks, prongs, gripper tongs or other load handling attachments in accordance with the specific load handling requirements. The mast with its trolley is easily moved by hand and can rotate through 360°.

**Portal cranes**
Portal cranes from the KBK classic crane construction kit with a load capacity up to 2,200 lbs. can be used wherever a suspension crane is not cost-effective or cannot be installed. They run on solid even surfaces and can be manoeuvred easily in all directions, making them ideal for repair and assembly work.

A particular advantage in many applications is that KBK classic portal cranes can be easily dismantled, transported and quickly re-erected elsewhere. The crane girder span can also be adjusted.
**KBK classic crane construction kit components**

### Profile sections
The basic elements are special cold-rolled track sections available in six sizes:

- **KBK 100** Load capacity up to 275 lbs.
- **KBK I** Load capacity up to 1,100 lbs.
- **KBK II-L** Load capacity up to 2,200 lbs.
- **KBK II** Load capacity up to 4,400 lbs.
- **KBK II-R** Load capacity up to 4,400 lbs. with 5-pole power supply arranged inside.
- **KBK II-T** Strengthened section for single and double-girder cranes.
- **KBK III** Load capacity up to 7,000 lbs.

For each size, all standardised components and assemblies, such as straight and curved track sections, track switches, turntables, drop sections, etc., have the same uniform joint dimensions. Self-centering plug-in, bolted connections allow them to be easily assembled in any combination. Different profile section sizes can be used for single and double-girder suspension crane runways and girders.

All components are either galvanised or finished with a coat of synthetic resin-based paint or powder-coated.

### Straight and curved sections
Straight and curved sections are made of special cold-rolled profiles which feature high rigidity and stability for a low deadweight. The profile sections for loads up to 4,400 lbs. are hollow track sections with protected inside-running surfaces. The KBK III profile of outside-running section design is available for loads up to 7,000 lbs. KBK II and KBK III profile sections can also be supplied with integrated conductor lines.

### Suspensions
To prevent bending stresses and to minimise horizontal forces in the superstructure, KBK track sections are suspended so as to allow pendulation. Plastic shells in the upper and lower ball joints reduce maintenance, surge loading and noise to a minimum. The track height can be easily and precisely adjusted by means of the threaded suspension rods that connect the ball joint heads.

### Track switches
Of compact, enclosed design, track switches are branching or converging components in the material flow. Options allow manual, electric or pneumatic switching for semi- or fully automatic control.

### Drop sections
Drop sections are mainly used in closed-circuit tracks for picking up and depositing loads at predetermined positions. This eliminates the need for hoist units.

When lowered in the drop section, the trolley is mechanically locked in place. Mechanical locks in the track stop other trolleys on either side of the drop section.
**Push travel trolleys**
Fitted with bearing-mounted plastic wheels, push travel trolleys are easy to move. The maintenance-free, low-wearing wheels absorb vibration and are silent-running.

**Turntables**
Turntables make it possible to change direction in a minimum of space. Integrated mechanical locking devices prevent trolleys from leaving or entering the turntable section during the slewing operation. Turntables can be manually or electrically operated.

**Latching devices**
Latching devices make it possible to connect single-girder suspension cranes and suspension monorails so that the hoist trolley can transfer between them. When disengaged, the crane travels past the end of the monorail without mechanical contact.

**Power supply**
Power supply is preferably by means of flat festoon cables which are simple and inexpensive. With more than two cranes on a runway or more than two travelling hoists on a suspension monorail and in the case of track systems with switches, turntables, latching devices or drop sections, power supply is via conductor lines: for KBK II-R track sections with 5 internal conductors, for KBK III track sections with up to 8 individual conductor lines.

KBK II-R power supplies are designed to UL specifications and protected against accidental contact in accordance with relevant regulations.

**Friction wheel travel drives**
Large friction wheels fitted with high frictional rubber tires ensure that the drive forces are transmitted efficiently. Dished washers provide constant pressure between the driving wheel and running surface of the KBK track sections. Friction wheel travel drives are quiet-running.
Demag Cranes & Components has extended the crane construction kit to include additional applications with KBK ergo components. They can be used to build cranes that have to accommodate kick-up forces. This may be the case for overhung, extending and manipulator cranes.

**Suspensions**
Fitted with integrated damping elements, KBK ergo suspensions absorb energy from various directions, thus preventing unnecessary loads being transmitted to the roof or supporting structure.

**End carriages**
End carriages provide improved rigidity and increased positioning accuracy. Firmly connected to the crane trolleys, they precisely transfer all forces reliably to the crane or trolley runways.

**Crab frame**
The specially developed crab frame is a rugged, high load bearing system for mounting specially equipped hoists and manipulators.

**End caps**
Special shock absorbers are required on KBK ergo cranes if the limit positions are frequently approached in normal operation. Shock absorbers integrated in the end caps dissipate the energy transmitted by the loads to all components and assemblies as well as the support superstructure.

**Trolleys**
The KBK ergo crane construction kit includes trolleys in two sizes.

KBK-I ergo trolleys are made of steel and feature axles mounted in articulated bearings. A horizontal wheel provides lateral guidance in the runway. KBK-II ergo trolleys of aluminium alloy feature articulated axles, adjustable counter-pressure rollers and a pair of guide rollers. They reliably accommodate the additional kick-up and lateral forces exerted by offset loads. The floating axle arrangement ensures uniform distribution of forces to all four travel wheels.
DC Chain Hoists
The DC Chain Hoists is designed for performance, safety, reliability, and maintainability. This hoist is standard 2 speed and is available in a wide range of capacities up to 4,400 lbs. The hoist is rated for 1900 full load operating hours and 360 starts and stops/per hour. The integrated electronics monitor and control the regenerative braking and slip clutch. An LED display provides maintenance and trouble shooting data. The field adjustable pushbutton allows for simple height adjustments up to 10 ft. The maintenance panel provides easy access to the chain guide and standard quick disconnect for power and pushbutton. The delivery on most models is 48 hours or less.

DCM Manulift units operate on the same principle as DC Chain Hoists. Connected via a helical cable, they feature a control unit with an integrated quick-change connector for load handling modules. The control unit with its “spade handle” can also be used to guide the load.

DC-Com Chain Hoist
The quality basic unit is quick to install and very easy to service. It is the ideal solution for everyday needs in the load range up to 4,400 lbs (2,000 kg). The DC-Com provides the most economical solution for basic lifting applications.

Trolleys and travel drives
DC chain hoists can be moved by hand or electrically. The newly developed electric travel drive can be quickly fitted to the trolley. The drive can operate at two travel speeds or infinitely variable speeds, and features smooth starting and adjustable sway damping for the cross-travel motion.

Demag DBS Air Blancers allow loads up to 250 lb to be safely and ergonomically handled. Productivity is increased and the risk of muscle and back injuries are greatly reduced. The design is excellent, allowing for high cycling capability, low operating costs and unparalleled safety. Demag DBS Air Blancers are available in two sizes, DBS 55 (110 lbs) and DBS 110 (250 lbs). Each size is available with the following control options to match your specific material handling requirement.

- Up/Down (Pendant)
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