Applications Information MCS 500

Colour Measurement

Process Monitoring on Vacuum Coating Plants



Process description

OPTOPLEX is a new measurement and analysis system for the use in vacuum coating plants. it allows non-contact and destruction-free measurement of spectral transmission and colour data both in and outside vacuum plants. Measurement and analytical results are suitable as proof of quality and serve for process optimisation. OPTOPLEX II P is customised for transmission measurements in vacuum. Measurements are taken on architectural glass, butalso on car window panes, displays, acryllic glass or plastic films. The systems provides measurement og single and multi-layer coatings.

System description

The system serves for quality control in glass coating processes inside vacuum chambers. It collects the data of a transmission measurement carried out by the system itself in the running production process and displays the results graphically and numerically on the screen of the control computer.



The software allows display of spectra or of the trends of one or several measuring stations.

The system determines the transmission for different standard illuminants (A, C or D 65) and viewing angles (2° or 10°).





The program can handle up to 10 measuring stations. The measured spectral curves are converted into the corresponding CIELAB data considering the selectable standard illuminants and viewing angles.

Specification

Measuring range Resolution acc. to Rayleigh Spectrometer Source Colour data Standard illuminants Presentation 380 ... 900 nm 10 nm Diode array spectrometer Halogen lamp Y, L*, a*, b* (CIELAB) A, C, D 65 Spectral curves, different presentation modes for trend analysis

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Process description

A great number of applications, such as panes, displays, etc. cannot be imagined today without the use of glass. this is due to its properties such as transparency, chemical stability, environmental compatibility, scrach resistance. The optical and thermal properties of glass can be influenced. Vacuum coating is a technique that can give glass such particular properties. By vacuum coating, ultra-thin layers are applied to the glass surface. To achieve the desired quality of the coatings it is very important to monitor the applied layers.



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System description

The system serves for quality control after the coated flat glass has passed throughall technical production processes. The system collects the data of transmission and reflection measurements performed by the system itself. It calculates the colour data according to CIELAB, and displays them graphically and numerically on the screen of the control computer. The measuring heads are firmly mounted to a carriage traversingon a rail. The measuring heads are controlled and positioned in such a way that measurements can be taken at any point of the surface and underside. The measured results can be used as proof of quality according to ISO 9000.

System description



Software

The software contains two program modules:

- 1. Parameter Setup & Manual Operation
- 2. Automatic Process Control



In Parameter Setup, measuring heads and measurement parameters can be set. Besides, it allows selection of nominal light data, tolerance limits, lateral positions and definition of the measurement process.

The manual operation option serves for testing and assessing the selected parameters.

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2. Automatic Process Control

In the Automatic Process Control Module, the main menu provides display of the trends of mean values and the dispersion compared with the tolerance zone.

In running measurements, the system can display current data distribution across the scanned area, out-of-range data and results of preceding measurement series. In addition, the user can load complete methodologies.



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