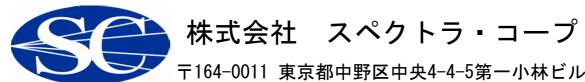
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ColourMeasurement

Quality Control of Coating Processes



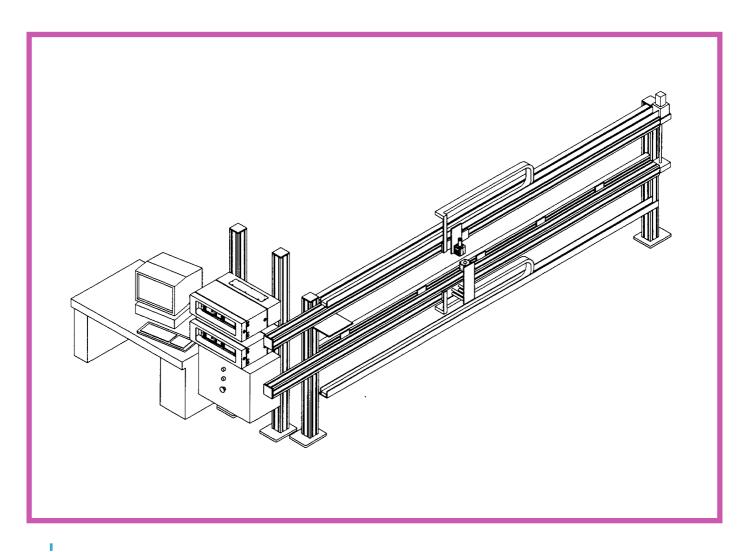


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Process description

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.

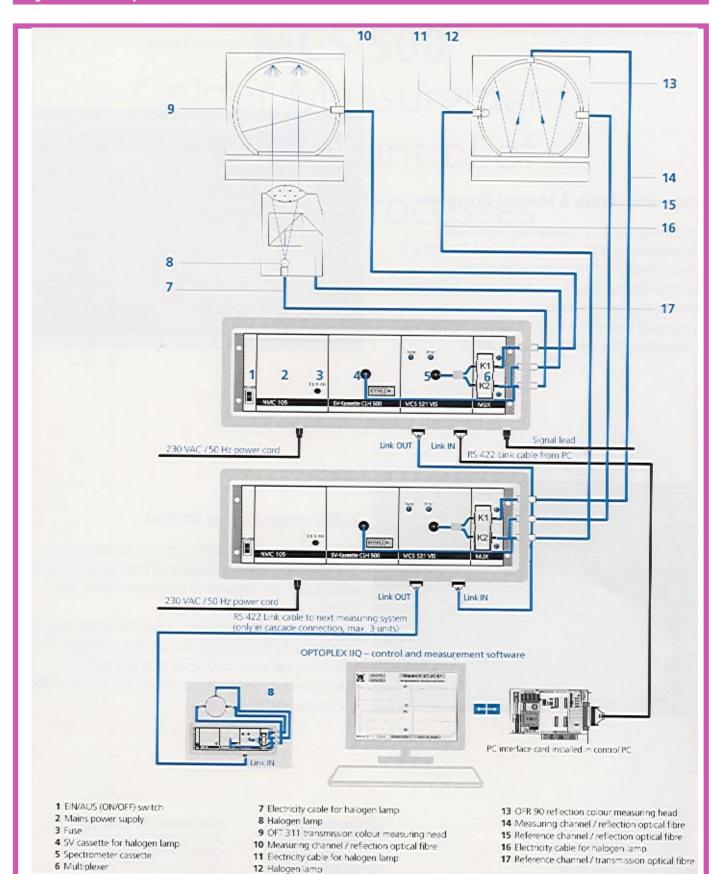
Vacuum coating is a technique that can give glass such particular properties. By vacuum coating, ultra-thin layers are applied to the glass surface. To achieve the desired quality of the coatings it is very important to monitor the applied layers.



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 traversing on 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.



Software

The software contains two program modules:

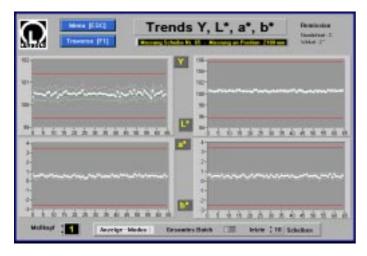
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1. Parameter Setup & Manual Operation

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.





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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