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# LASER NANOMETROLOGY

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# Nanometrology is the science of measurement at the nanoscale (1 nm to 100 nm).

It has a crucial role in the production of nanomaterials and the manufacturing of nanoscale devices with a high degree of accuracy and reliability.



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**Co-Nanomet** Co-ordination of Nanometrology in Europe European Nanometrology 2020

- Dimensional nanometrology
- Chemical nanometrology
- Thin film nanometrology
- Mechanical nanometrology
- Metrology for nanostructured materials
- Electrical nanometrology
- Biological nanometrology

•Modelling and simulations for nanometrology



# LASER BASED MESUREMENT TECHNIQUES

- AFM, STM traceable to the national standards
- Laser interferometry
- Microscopy, confocal microscopy
- Laser spectroscopy, Raman, FTIR
- Polarimetry
- Light scattering and diffraction
- Laser tweezer, force measurement
- etc...



# **Dimensional Nanometrology**



SEM: Scanning Electron Microscope; SPM: Scanning Probe Microscop; AFM: Atomic Force Microscope. The grey box displays the dimensional range of nanomaterials.



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MEASURED NANOSYSTEMS	MEASURED PROPERTIES	HOW IT WORKS
Nanotubes, diamond like carbon, CdS and CdSe nanocrystals, cobalt and iron nanoparticles, Ni dot arrays, Ni80Fe20, ZnO nanowires, Dendrimers, ZnSe nanowires, Ge nanowires	Topology, roughness and elasticity of surface, grain size, frictional characteristics, specific molecular interactions and magnetic features on surface, total density of (valence-) electron states up to the fermi level at the surface	AFM uses a probe whose tip is slowly scanned across the surface. The force between the atoms on the surface and those of tips cause the tip to deflect. To record this deflection, a laser beam is focused on the cantilever and reflected to the photodetectors.
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CHARACTER- ISATION TECHNIQUE	MEASURED NANOSYSTEMS	MEASURED PROPERTIES	HOW IT WORKS
Scanning Tunneling Microscopy (STM) RANGE	nanotubes, one-dimensional polyphenylenes, planar polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), 3-nitrobenzal malonitrile (NBMN), 1,4-phenylenediamine (pDA), tetrathiofulvane (TTF), m- nitrobenzylidene propanedinitrile (m-NBP), 2-amino-4,5- imidazoledicarbonitrile (AIDCN)	three dimensional surface topology: size, shape, roughness, defects, electronic structures and local density of states.	STM works by scanning a metal tip over a surface we want to know surface properties. Tip is opogra very close to surface and an electric voltage is applied. Between the surface and the tip tunneling occurs. By measuring tunneling current, the surface opography is obtained.
depth: 1- 5nm lateral resolution: 2-10nm	<ul> <li>Eighth nanoforum report:nanome</li> </ul>	etrology. 2006. www.nanofo	rum.org.



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The Scanning Tunneling Microscope The scanning tunneling microscope (STM) is a type of electron microscope that shows three-dimensional images of a sample. In the STM, the structure of a surface is studied using a stylus that scans the surface at a fixed distance from it.



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A stadium shaped corral made by iron atoms on a copper surface.

www.nobelprize.org/educational/physics/microscopes/scanning/gallery/9.httml



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Nanometer Scale Dimensional Metrology: Calibrated Atomic Force Microscope

The semiconductor and nanotechnology industries have rapidly increasing dimensional metrology requirements in regimes where traceability to the SI unit of length is not always readily available.



# Uncalibrated AFM - a false image device



## Real structure

## Measured structure

https://noppa.aalto.fi/noppa/.../Tfy-125\_4008\_nanometrology.pdf



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Scanner errors

https://noppa.aalto.fi/noppa/.../Tfy-125\_4008\_nanometrology.pdf



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### Traditional Heterodyne Displacement Measuring Interferometer (DMI)



#### **DMI Limitations**

Moving arms create time-dependant cosine, Abbe, diffraction & other path errors.

Air paths introduce large errors due to atmospheric disturbances:

- -> Temperature, Pressure
- -> Humidity, Turbulence

System is bulky and expensive.

Heavy stage mirrors limit stage scanning speed & accuracy.



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A Coordinate Measuring Mashine works at the nanoscale and provide the necessary stiffness and stability to achieve nanoscale uncertainties in x,y and z directions.

The probes for such a machine need to be small to enable a 3-D measurement of nanometre features from the sides and from inside like nanoholes. Also for accuracy laser interferometers need to be used. NIST has developed a surface measuring instrument, called the Molecular Measuring Machine. This instrument is basically an STM. The x- and y-axes are read out by laser interferometers. The molecules on the surface area can be identified individually and at the same time the distance between any two molecules can be determined. For measuring with molecular resolution, the measuring times become very large for even a very small surface area.



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# Design of a large measurement-volume metrological atomic force microscope (AFM)



The design of a long-range metrological atomic force microscope has been presented. The goal of the described instrument is to achieve a 1 nm positioning uncertainty for a measurement volume of 40 mm  $\times$  40 mm  $\times$  6 mm. The

Brian J Eves, Meas. Sci. Technol. 20 (2009) 084003 (5pp)



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LASER LINE WIDTH: SCHAWLOW-TOWNES LIMIT

$$\Delta \omega_{osc} \leq \frac{\hbar \omega}{2P_{out}} \frac{\Delta \omega_{gain}^2 \Delta \omega_{cav}^2}{\left(\Delta \omega_{gain} + \Delta \omega_{cav}\right)^2}$$

For λ=0,6328 мкм ћω ≈ 1,96 еВ ≈ 3,1 10<sup>-19</sup> Дж

$$2P_{out} / \hbar \omega \approx 0,65 \ 10^{16} \text{ for } P_{out} = 1 \text{ mW}$$
  
 $\Delta \omega_{cav} << \Delta \omega_{gain} \quad \Delta \omega_{cav} \approx 10^{6} \ \Gamma \mu \quad \Delta \omega_{OSC} \approx 10^{-4} \ \Gamma \mu$ 



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LASER LINE WIDTH: STATE-OF-ART



 $\Delta \omega_{osc} \sim 0.2$  Hz, frequency stabilized dye laser, relative frequency instability 10<sup>-16</sup> for 1 s

- ~ 0,4 Hz, Nd:YAG laser (NPL, JILA)
- ~ 0,4 1 Гц diode laser (PTB, NIST, NPL...),



# LASER MICHELSON INTERFEROMETER RESOLUTION

Laser shot noise

Detector noise

$$dx_{\text{quantum}} \simeq \frac{1}{4\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2hc\lambda B}{\eta P}}, \qquad dx_{\text{classical}} \simeq \frac{\lambda}{4\pi} \frac{\text{NEP}\sqrt{B}}{P},$$

For laser power P=100  $\mu$ W, measurement bandwidth 10 kHz, uncertainty  $dx_{quant} = 0.44$  pm,  $dx_{classical} = 0.36$  pm, total uncertainty 0.57 pm corresponding to fringe interpolation of one part in 555 000.

Digital signal processing make rapid phase measurements with resolution 0,01<sup>o</sup> (one part in 36 000), for wavelength 633 nm this corresponds to a resolution 9 pm.

J. Lawall, E. Kessler, Rev. Sci. Instrum., v.71,no.7 (2000)



## THE PRACTICAL REALIZATION OF THE METRE WITH LASER RADIATIONS





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# FREQUENCY-STABILIZED HE-NE LASER



633 nm, relative instability 10<sup>-12</sup>
3,39 μm, relative instability 5 10<sup>-14</sup>



# IODINE-STABILIZED METROLOGICAL LASER





# Diode laser interferometer of small displacement





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Measurement of the reference mirror shifts: a –step 8 nm, b – 0,8 nm



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Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM)	Platinum nanowires, silver nanowires, Au/Ag multilayered nanowires, Bi Nanowires, Si/GaN nanowires, Si and Ge nanocrystals, TiO2, Bi2Te3 nanowires, Co and Ni nanoparticles, Al2O3, SiC nanowires, Au/Sn/Au Nanowires, ZnSe nanowires, FeCo nanocrystals, Tin Oxide nanofibers, Ge nanowires	Topography: the surface features, Morphology: shape and size of the particles, Composition:the elements and compounds the sample is composed of, Crystallographic Information:the arrangment of atoms	In SEM, before monochromatic electrons are sent to the sample, they are condensed and constricted by the help of conderser lenses, condenser and objective aperture to eliminate high angle electrons. Then the beam is focused and sent to the sample and finally occured interactions are detected.
depth: 1nm- 5µm lateral resolution: 1-20nm	Eighth nanoforum report:nano	metrology. 2006. www.nano	forum.org.



http://www-archive.mse.iastate.edu/microscopy/path2.html



CHARACTER- ISATION TECHNIQUE	MEASURED NANOSYSTEMS	MEASURED PROPERTIES	HOW IT WORKS
Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM)	Platinum nanowires, Silver nanowires, Bi nanowires, Co/Cu nanowires, InP quantum dots, GaP quantum dots, GaAs quantum dots, CdS nanocrystals, Cd3P2, PbS nanoparticles, Si nanowires, SiGe/Si nanowires, Si and Ge nanocrystals, Co nanoparticles, nanotubes, Fe3O4, CoPt, FePt, CoFe2O4, ZnO, AL2O3, Bi2O3 nanoparticles, CeO2, Indium Tin Oxide, iron oxide, m- nitrobenzylidene propanedinitrile (m-NBP),	Morphology: size and shape of particles, Crystallographic Information: detection of atomic scale defects, Compositional Information: the elements and compounds the sample is composed of and information about phases present (lattice spacing measurement) and sample orientation	In TEM, monochromatic electron beam is condensed and focused by the lenses and apertures to eliminate high angle electrons. The beam is sent to the sample and transmitted beam is passed through the projector lenses and the image strikes teh phosphor image screen. before the projecor lenses selected area metal apertures can be put.

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# TEM: scheme





http://www.nobelprize.org/educational/physics/microscopes/tem/index.html



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Scanning Near-field Optical Microscopy (SNOM or NSOM)	InGaAs QDs, carboxylate- modified nanospheres, gold nanowires, ZnO nanowires	chemical specificity and orientational information	It is a combination of scanning probe microscopy and optical microscopy. Light propagating through a nanoscopic fiber tip, either for excitation or for collection of emission, produces an image collected point to point by scanning either the fiber tip the sample stage.

#### RANGE

resolution: 50-

100 nm

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Single- molecule spectroscopy (SMS)	MEH-PPV, Me-LPPP, Dendrimers, QDI, TDI, PDI, Planar polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)	individual functional characteristics of molecular systems such as e.g. exciton transfer, charge separation and fluorescence efficiencies,	similar to NSOM

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Polarization Spectroscopy	CdSe nanorods and nanocrystals,PbS nanocrystals, NiO, nanopolyacetylene	orientation of excitation and mission transitions dipole moments	for example, to study emission polarization, changes in the detected emission intensity are measured as a linear polarizer is rotated in detection pathway. Polarization data is taken with an analyzer in front of the CCD detector that was rotated in15 degree increments between consecutive images. Excitation polarization can be obtained by rotating excitation polarization angle with a 90° difference.

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Photoluminesce nce Spectrocopy (PL), Electroluminesc ence Spectroscopy (EL), Cathodolumines cence Spectroscopy (CL)	InP Nanowires and quantum dots, Cd3P2 nanoparticles, CdSe and CdS nanocrystals, CdTe nanocrystals, ZnS nanoparticles, ZnO and ZnSe nanowires, GaInAs-InP Quantum dots, GaAs-AlGaAs quantum dots and nanowires, SiGe/Si nanowires, Si/SiGe heterostructures, Si, Ge nanocrystals, erbium doped Si, FeSi2, ZnSe nanowires, single wall carbon nanotubes, PbSe/PbS, InAs/CdSe/ZnSe, CdSe/ZnSe, CdSe/CdS, CdS/ZnS, CdSe/ZnS coreshell nanocrystals, HgTe	defect and impurity levels, carrier life time	Photoluminescence: when laser wavelengths from 350 to 850 nm is sent on to a sample optically excitation (formation of electron-hole pairs) occurs. the holes and electrons recombine. As a result of this recombination photon is emitted, after thermalization of the electrons. In electroluminescence, excitation is made electrically. In electroluminscence excitation is made by electric current and in cathodoluminescence



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Fouier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FTIR)	CdSe nanocrystals, Si, Ge nanocrystals, TiO2, ZnO nanocrystals, Calcium oxide nanoparticles, SiC ,	structural and chemical information: type of bonds, determination of unknowns in the sample, vibrational energies of molecules	IR light is sent on a sample and frequencies which matches the natural vibration frequency of molecules are absorbed by the sample. Before the light is incident on the sample, it passes through an interferometer. Obtained interferogram is converted in to a spectrum by using Fouier Transform.

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http://withfriendship.com/user/sathvi/ftir.php



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Raman Spectroscopy	Tin Oxide nanofibers, CdTe nanocrystals, Si nanowires, Si, Ge nanocrystals, Nanotubes, diamond like carbon, Planar polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), Tin Oxide, CdSe/CdS coreshell nanocrystals, GaSb nanocrystals, InGaN/GaN quantum wells, CdZnSe/ZnSe quantum wells, CdZnSe/ZnSe quantum dots and wires, InAs/GaAs quantum dots and quantum rings, SiGe nanodots and nanowires, SiC, TiO2 powders nanoparticles and nanowires, ZnSe nanowires, CdS, AlN nanowires, GaN nanowires, GaAs quantum dots and nanowires, GaP quantum dots and nanowires,	chemical information: impurity concentration, vibrational information	a laser in the visible, near infrared, or near ultraviolet range is sent to a sample and photons which are inelastically scattered by molecules are detected. Inelastically scattered light have different wave length from incident radiation and results from change in molecular motion of molecules
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# LASER DIFFRACTION



Size range: 0,01 - 3500 µm

www.malvern.com/labeng/products/mastersizer3000.htm



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# Dynamic Light Scattering (also known as PCS - Photon Correlation Spectroscopy) measures Brownian motion and relates this to the size of the particles. It does this by illuminating the particles with a laser and analysing the intensity fluctuations in the scattered light.



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Scatterometry is the investigation of micro- or nanostructured surfaces regarding their geometry and dimension by measurement and analysis of light diffraction from these surfaces. In contrast to optical methods, nonimaging metrology methods like scatterometry are not diffraction limited. They give access to the geometrical parameters of periodic structures like structure width (CD), pitch, side-wall angle or line height. However, scatterometry requires apriori information about the surface structure. The inverse diffraction problem has to be solved to determine the structure parameters from a measured diffraction pattern. Proper scatterometric measurements require an intense effort regarding modeling, simulation and inverse methods.



**Dynamic Scatter Light**: in the exemple the powder contains 50% of nanparticles sized 5 nm and 50% of their aggregates, sized 50nm. The number and the volume of particles, and the intensity of the scattered light are shown. Note that for particles of larger size the intensity is greater: in fact, smaller particles move faster, causing a rapid decay of scattering.



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In the next decade, nanotechnology can be expected to approach maturity, as a major enabling technological discipline with widespread application. The principal drivers for its development are likely to shift from an overarching focus on the 'joy of discovery' towards the requirement to fulfil societal needs.



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# Thanks for your attention

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