Instrument Description

The AutoEL II is designed to be an affordable, high performance ellipsometer, providing an easy-to-use approach to accurately measuring a wide variety of films. The system's keyboard addresses an internal microprocessor, which automates system operation and quickly reports delta and psi on a front panel display. These quantities can be reduced to the physical quantities of thickness and refractive index when using the optional data reduction software, which can run on a PC that can be interfaced directly via the standard RS232 serial port.

Auto EL II Specifications

Operating Principle:
Null seeking

Operating Wavelength:
632.8 nm

Light Source:
HeNe Laser (Standard AutoEL II only)

Resolution and Accuracy:
Polarizer or analyzer 0.05°
Delta 0.1°
Psi 0.05°

Resolution and accuracy of measured film thickness and film or substrate refractive index depends on the film-substrate system and the film thickness. Accuracy of 3 to 10 Å and 0.01 refractive index units are typical for silicon oxide films on silicon.

Angle of Incidence:
Standard pin locations 70° ± 0.02° and 90° ± 0.02°
Optional pin locations 60° to 80°

Optional pin locations are available at additional cost. Non-pin located angles may be set with specially cut alignment prisms.

Measuring Time (No calculations):
Typical 12 seconds
Maximum 60 seconds

Display:
The system displays delta and psi as well as prompting messages to the operator.

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Digital Output:
Serial ASCII, RS-232

Maximum Sample Size and Mounting Plane:
6' x 6' (15.2 cm x 15.2 cm). Horizontal with vacuum holddown. Vacuum source is not supplied.

Sample Stage:
The standard sample stage can be moved vertically. It can also be tilted about the ellipsometric vertex and about the plane of incidence with the plane of the sample.

Autocollimator/Microscope:
The Autocollimator/Microscope provides the ability to conveniently switch between the autocollimator, which provides precise and easy sample alignment, and the microscope function. The microscope provides a 4 mm field of view, 40x magnification and cross hairs for locating the measurement area.

AutoEL II Performance:

Thickness Range:
10 Å to 3.0 μm

Repeatability:
≤1 Å or 1%, Whichever is greater

Accuracy:
±3 Å (Compared to NIST wafers)
±0.005 (Refractive index)

AutoEL II Film Thickness Applications:
SiO₂/Si
Si₃N₄/Si
Resist/Si
Si₃N₄/SiO₂/Si
Resist/SiO₂/Si
Polysilicon/SiO₂/Si
Thin metal film
Organic films
Glass, GaAs, Metal
SiO₂/polysilicon/SiO₂/Si (3-wavelength models only)
Resist on CD masters
n and k of read/write heads
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**SPECIAL CONFIGURATIONS**

In addition to the single wavelength HeNe laser based AutoEL II system, Rudolph offers four extended wavelength versions of this popular, low cost ellipsometer. These special systems can automatically measure delta and psi at each of the three wavelengths, and like the single wavelength system, data reduction can be performed using external PC ellipsometric data reduction software. In addition, these systems have the ability to measure multi-layer films. Repositioning the polarizer and analyzer, which are color coded for easy use, enables the user to change wavelengths. For special applications, such as measuring the n and k of disk heads or media, other wavelengths are available.

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**Power Requirements:**

- **Domestic:** 115V ± 10V 50/60Hz 130VA
- **Export:** 100V ± 10V 50/60Hz 130VA
- **Export:** 220V ± 20V 50/60Hz 130VA

Installation and training are provided at customer’s site by factory trained technicians.

**Limited Warranty on New AutoEL Systems:**

A. Rudolph Technologies agrees to correct, either by repair or replacement, any defect of material or workmanship that develops within one year after shipment of the AutoEL to the original purchaser, provided that the instrument is returned to the factory in accordance with packing and shipping instructions obtained from Rudolph Technologies, and provided that investigation by Rudolph Technologies discloses that such defects developed under normal and proper use. The conditions of Par. 1-1B are part of this warranty.

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