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Surface Form Tolerances and Evaluation^{5, 19}

- Written as 3/ A(B/C) RMSx < D; λ = E
- A = PV power in fringes by default, but can be specified in nm or μm
- B = PV irregularity in fringes by default, but can be specified in nm or μm
- C = PV rotational invariant irregularity in fringes by default, but can be specified in nm or μm
- D = rms deviation
 - t = total rms surface deviation
 - i = rms surface deviation with power removed
 - a = asymmetric variant rms surface irregularity
- E = wavelength (λ) in nm
 - If wavelength is not indicated in the title block, it must be specified in the tolerance
- When a dash or nothing is listed in place of one of the tolerances, that type of tolerance will not be applied
- Further forms of surface form tolerances can be applied, such as surface slope or Zernike coefficients
 - Zernike coefficients written specifically as 3/ Z(n, m) (PV < O; RMS < P)
 - Z(n, m) = Zernike radial polynomial
 - O = PV surface form deviation
 - P = rms surface form deviation

Surface Texture⁸

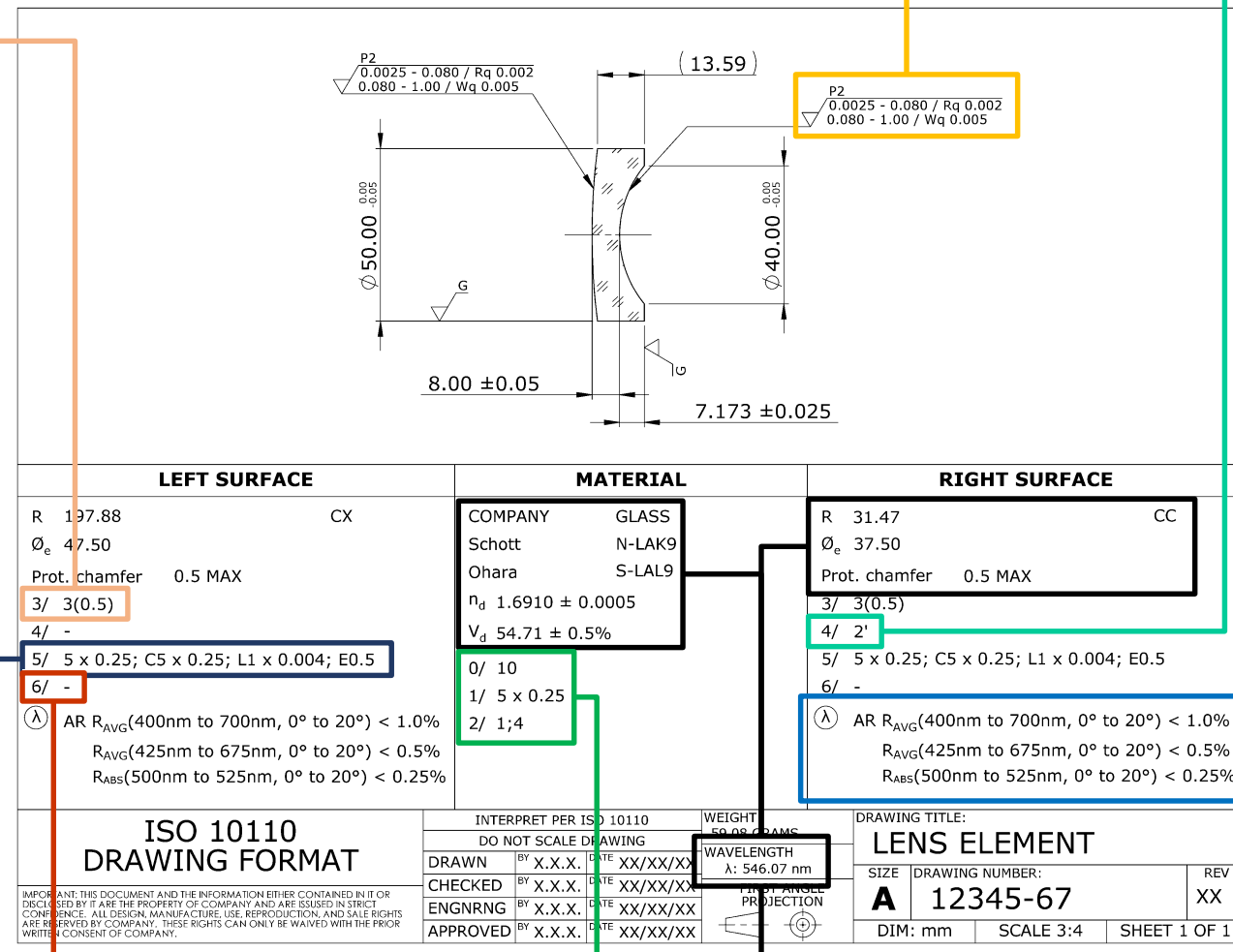
- Polish code above the texture symbol is either P (polished), G (ground) or P1-P4 (polish grades) which indicate a default specification of surface texture
- Texture requirements written as follows
 - Each requirement on its own line, showing a spatial wavelength band and a surface texture specification separated by a /
 - Spatial wavelengths are given in mm
 - Rq indicates rms surface roughness in microns
 - Wq indicates rms surface waviness in microns
 - RDq indicates rms surface slope in microradians
 - PSD indicates the maximum value of the power spectrum over the specified spatial wavelength band, given as a power coefficient and an intercept in nm² mm
- When upper and lower limits are provided they are indicated with a U or an L
- When the lay of the measurement is provided it is indicated as R (radial), C (circumferential), ⊥ (vertical) or = (horizontal).

Surface Centering Error Due to Tilt⁶

- Default datums exist for typical, centered, spherical elements. If datum axis is unclear, one must be specified
- Written as follows:
 - Spherical Surface: 4/σ
 - σ = maximum tilt relative to either the surface edge (lens edge) or datum axis (optical axis)
 - Aspheric Surfaces or Rotationally Non-Variant Subassemblies: 4/σ(L)
 - σ = maximum tilt
 - L = maximum lateral displacement
 - Surface tilt can alternatively be specified by runout (e.g. lens edge measurement):
 - 4/a < A or 4/c < B
 - A = axial runout at the clear aperture
 - 4/a < A or 4/c < B
 - B = circular runout at the surface edge
- Tolerances can be applied as both angular and linear dimensions at single element or assembly level
- When a dash or nothing is listed in place of one of the tolerances, that type of tolerance will not be applied

Surface Imperfections and Evaluation^{7, 20}

- Imperfections can be described by two methods
 - Visibility imperfections (MIL historical standard): 5/ S-D; CS'-D'; EA₀
 - Each group represents different types of imperfections
 - S-D = general surface scratch and dig designation
 - CS'-D' = coated aperture scratch and dig designation
 - EA₀ = edge chips
 - Accumulation and concentration rules apply
 - Dimensional imperfections (DIN historical standard): N_g x A_g; CN_c x A_c; LN_l x A_l; EA₀
 - Each group with a different prefix designation classifies types of imperfections
 - No Prefix = general surface imperfections
 - C = imperfections on across a coating
 - L = long scratches outside of general surface grades
 - E = edge chips
 - Each designation is listed in two methods
 - N_g x A_g
 - N = Number of imperfections within a grade class
 - A = Grade class to characterize imperfections
 - Accumulation and concentration rules apply



Surface Treatment and Optical Coatings^{9, 21, 22}

- Functional coatings are indicated by a λ inside a circle
- As defined in ISO 9211 descriptions and applications of an optical coating must precede the specifications for spectral characteristics (e.g. Antireflecting [AR] or Filtering [FI])
 - Coatings specifications can primarily be broken down into three designations
 - τ(λ) or T(λ) = transmission for a waveband
 - ρ(λ) or R(λ) = reflectance for a waveband
 - α(λ) or A(λ) = absorbance for a waveband
 - Additional methods are possible to describe an optical coating past the waveband
 - Angle of incidence (AOI)
 - Aperture size
 - Polarization orientation
 - Phase
- Surface treatments
 - Indicated on the optic by a thick chain line adjacent to the treated region
 - Specifications are written in a box with a leader line to the treated region
- Surface treatment applications
 - mitigate damage to the optic (i.e. handling, environmental effects)
 - Provide functional uses outside main use of the optic (e.g. stray light control)

Laser Damage Threshold^{17, 25, 26}

- Written as 6/ X_{th}; λ; T_{th}
 - X can either be one of three conditions depending on the type of laser irradiation
 - Pulsed laser irradiation:
 - H_{th} = Threshold energy density in units of J/cm²
 - E_{th} = Threshold power density in units of W/cm²
 - Long pulse or CW laser irradiation
 - F_{th} = Threshold linear power density in units of W/cm
 - A pulse is considered long when the thermal transit distance, (2 D τ_{eff})^{1/2}, is on the order of the size of the test spot d_{t,eff}
 - D = Thermal diffusivity
 - In both cases, τ_{eff} = Effective pulse duration in units of s
- When a dash is present following 6/, or the 6/ is not included, the laser damage threshold is not defined and will not be tested

Material Imperfections¹⁸

- Tolerances for optical materials are determined by three main groups
 - Stress birefringence: 0/A
 - A = maximum allowable optical path difference (OPD) in units of nm/cm
 - Value of stress birefringence is based on quality of annealing and optic size
 - Bubbles and inclusions: 1/N x A
 - A = grade of the bubbles determined by the square root of the projected area
 - N = number of allowable bubbles through a method of accumulation
 - Homogeneity and striae: 2/A; B
 - A = homogeneity grade based on tolerance limits of material
 - B = striae quality based on either the density or the wavefront deviation for a given material path
 - Striae can either be specified by a grade number or the more common shadowgraph class

Wavefront Deformation from an Element of Assembly^{14, 19}

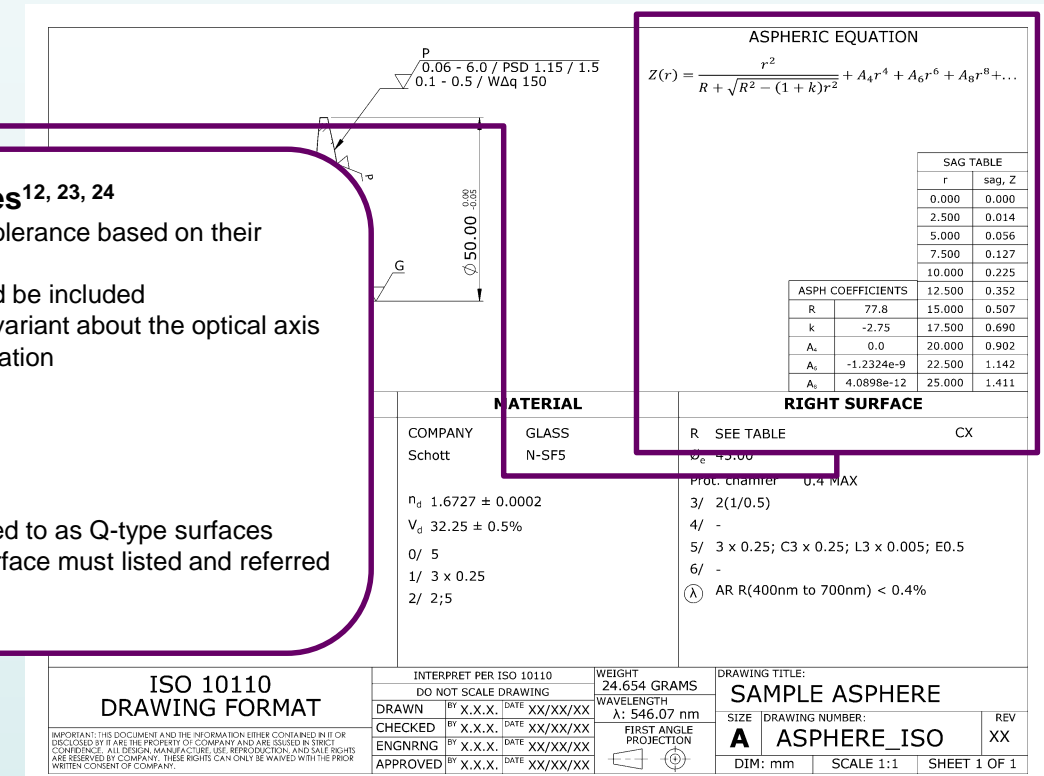
- Builds upon surface form tolerance specification where notation changes from 3/ to 13/
 - Written as 13/ A(B/C) RMSx < D; λ = E
 - Value specified is needs to be measurable using a single-pass metrology method, typically found to be an interferometer
 - Specification would be shown on the drawing view or in a total system specification section of the table
 - Assembly deformation example:
 - 13/ - RMSt < 0.04; λ = 632.8 nm
 - Example states that the measured total rms wavefront error needs to be less than 0.04 waves different from the theoretical total rms wavefront error when tested at 632.8 nm
- When a dash or nothing is listed in place of one of the tolerances, that type of tolerance will not be applied

General Notation¹

- Drawings can be prepared for an optical element or subassembly
- Default conditions unless stated otherwise:
 - Temperature = 20°C
 - Dimensional Units = mm
- Each tolerance property is applied for multiple cases:
 - X/ = element tolerance
 - 1X/ = subassembly tolerance
 - 0X/ = raw material tolerance
- Fundamental dimensions for a rotationally invariant optical element
 - Radius = dimensional value preceded by an R and the curvature orientation (cx or cc)
 - Thickness = dimensional value including tolerance unless specified otherwise
 - Diameter (Ø) = dimensional value including tolerance
 - Effective diameter (Ø_e) = sub-aperture where optical tolerances apply
- Edge corners
 - Bevel = functional corner specified with a dimension, tolerance, and angle
 - Chamfer = nonfunctional corner specified as the maximum or minimum allowed width
- Unless stated within each tolerance where a wavelength value is necessary, the title block must include default wavelength
- The following optical material information needs to be listed; either
 - Manufacturer and optical material type
 - Multiple manufacturers may be listed for a given element
 - International glass code
 - The index and Abbe information
 - Material specifications occur at n_d and V_d or n_e and V_e
 - However the glass is specified, the tolerance on the index and dispersion must be indicated

Aspheric and Rotationally Non-Variant Surfaces^{12, 23, 24}

- Both aspheric and rotationally non-variant surfaces are tolerance based on their surface form
 - A sagitta table with Δz (sag) and/or Δs (slope) should be included
- Aspheric surfaces are surfaces that are rotationally non-variant about the optical axis
 - Surface shape is described through a multi-term equation
 - Conic section and a power series
 - Conic section and orthogonal polynomials
 - Multiple types of equations commonly referred to as Q-type surfaces
 - Coefficients and equation needed to describe the surface must listed and referred to in the surface radius designation



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