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ISO 14880 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Optics and photonics — Microlens arrays*:

- *Part 1: Vocabulary*
- *Part 2: Test methods for wavefront aberrations*
- *Part 3: Test methods for optical properties other than wavefront aberrations*
- *Part 4: Test methods for geometrical properties*

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## Introduction

This part of ISO 14880 specifies methods for testing geometrical properties of microlens arrays. Examples of applications for microlens arrays include three-dimensional displays, coupling optics associated with arrayed light sources and photo-detectors, enhanced optics for liquid crystal displays, and optical parallel processor elements.

The market in microlens arrays has generated a need for agreement on basic terminology and test methods. Standard terminology and clear definitions are needed not only to promote applications but also to encourage scientists and engineers to exchange ideas and new concepts based on common understanding.

This part of ISO 14880 contributes to the purpose of the series of ISO 14880 standards, which is to improve the compatibility and interchangeability of lens arrays from different suppliers and to enhance development of the technology using microlens arrays.

The measurement of physical characteristics of pitch and surface modulation depth can be made using a stylus instrument and non-contact optical probe system. Physical thickness can be measured with a micrometer. The measurement processes are described in the body of this part of ISO 14880.

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# Optics and photonics — Microlens arrays —

## Part 4: Test methods for geometrical properties

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 14880 specifies methods for testing geometrical properties of microlenses in microlens arrays. It is applicable to microlens arrays with very small lenses formed on one or more surfaces of a common substrate and to graded index microlenses.

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 14880-1, *Optics and photonics — Microlens arrays — Part 1. Vocabulary*

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### 3 Terms, definitions and symbols

For the purposes of this document, the terms, definitions given in ISO 14880-1 and the following apply.

NOTE 1 The symbols adopted for this part of ISO 14880 are chosen for clarity in this application to microlens arrays but some may not be those commonly used for surface texture measurement.

NOTE 2 The parameters  $P_x$ ,  $P_y$  and  $h$  are used in this part of ISO 14880 to describe geometrical parameters encountered in the measurement of surface texture.  $P_x$ ,  $P_y$  are spacing parameters and are defined as the average value of the length of the mean line section containing a profile peak and adjacent valley. An amplitude parameter,  $h$ , is defined as the average difference between peak of the lens profile and the rim. Figure 1 illustrates the geometrical properties of microlens arrays which are to be measured.

#### 3.1

##### pitch

$P_x, P_y$

distance between the centres of adjacent lenses which may vary across and will vary with direction

See Figure 1.

NOTE 1 The pitch is expressed in millimetres.

[ISO 14880-1:2001, term 6.2.1.5]

NOTE 2 For a stylus instrument this will generally equate to the mean width of the profile elements calculated from the roughness profile,  $RS_m$  (see 3.2.2 and 4.3.1 in ISO 4287:1997).

**3.2**  
**surface modulation depth**

$h$   
peak-to-valley variation of the surface height

See Figure 1.

NOTE 1 For a purely refractive microlens, this will be the same as the lens sag.

NOTE 2 The surface modulation depth is expressed in millimetres.

[ISO 14880-1:2001, term 6.2.1.8]

NOTE 3 For stylus instruments this will generally equate to  $R_z$  (see 4.1.3 in ISO 4287:1997).

**3.3**  
**physical thickness**

$T_c$   
maximum local thickness of the array

See Figure 1.

NOTE The physical thickness is expressed in millimetres.

[ISO 14880-1:2001; term 6.2.1.9]

**3.4**  
**radius of curvature**

$R_c$   
distance from the vertex of the microlens to the centre of curvature of the lens surface

See Figure 1.

NOTE 1 The radius of curvature is expressed in millimetres.

[ISO 14880-1:2001; term 6.1.4]

NOTE 2 For rotationally invariant microlenses or cylindrical microlenses.

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