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#### **Foreword**

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- Part 1: Terms, definitions and fundamental relationships
- Part 2: Measurement and evaluation techniques
- Part 3: Calibration and validation of interferometric test equipment and measurements
- Part 4: Interpretation and evaluation of tolerances specified in ISO 10110

Parts 1, 2 and 3 are Technical Reports.

### Introduction

This part of ISO 14999 provides a theoretical frame upon which are based indications from ISO 10110-5 and/or ISO 10110-14.

ISO 10110-5 refers to deformations in the form of an optical surface, and provides a means for specifying tolerances for certain types of surface deformations in terms of "fringe spacings".

ISO 10110-14 refers to deformations of a wavefront transmitted once through an optical system, and provides a means of specifying similar deformation types in terms of optical "wavelengths".

Because it is common practice to measure the surface form deviation interferometrically as the wavefront deformation caused by a single reflection from the optical surface at normal (90° to surface) incidence, it is possible to describe a single definition of interferometric data reduction that can be used in both cases. One "fringe spacing" (as defined in ISO 10110-5) is equal to a surface deformation that causes a deformation of the reflected wavefront of one wavelength.

Certain scaling factors apply depending on the type of interferometric arrangement – for example, whether the test object is being measured in single pass or double pass.

Because of the potential for confusion and mis-interpretation, units of nanometres rather than units of "fringe spacings" or "wavelengths" should be used for the value of surface form deviation or the value of wavefront deformation, where possible. Where "fringe spacings" or "wavelengths" are used as units, the wavelength should also be specified.