

ME557 Lab experiment #1

Objectives:

1. To measure index of refraction of the following solid and liquid:
  - (a) lime glass
  - (b) Acrylic (plexiglass)
  - (c) water
  - (d) photoresist
2. To deduce grating frequency based on measurement of the angular orientation of diffracted beams

*Apparatus: Optical breadboards, HeNe lasers, specimens, position sensitive detector*

Procedure:

1. Turn on laser and making sure it is properly aligned to the center of position sensitive detector (write down the voltage, this will be your initial point)
2. To obtain measurements of refraction at incident angles of  $\pm 15^\circ$ ,  $\pm 45^\circ$  and  $\pm 75^\circ$  for glass, acrylate, water and photoresist.  
Record your data on the attached data sheet.
3. To obtain measurements of refraction at incident angles of  $\pm 15^\circ$ ,  $\pm 45^\circ$  and  $\pm 75^\circ$  from the two reflective grating.  
Record your data on the attached data sheet.

Results: Submit the following summary:

Page1: Name

Date experiment performed

Measured index of refraction for each material (average $\pm$  standard deviation)

Measured diffraction grating frequency (average $\pm$  standard deviation)

Page2- completed "refraction" and "diffraction" data sheets

Page 3- Find indices of refraction based on the lateral displacement you measured.

Find grating frequency based on measurement of the angular orientation of diffracted beams.

**Refraction Experiment**

Water

Angle of incident (o)	Lateral displacement (m)	Angle of incident (o)	Lateral displacement (m)
+15		+15	
+45		+45	
+75		+75	

Oil

Angle of incident (o)	Lateral displacement (m)	Angle of incident (o)	Lateral displacement (m)
+15		+15	
+45		+45	
+75		+75	

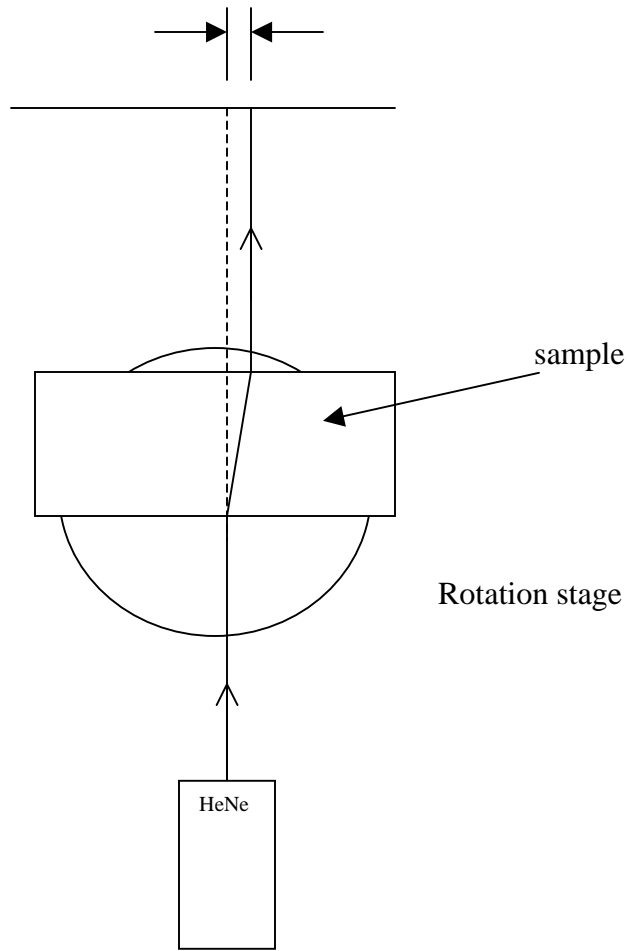
Pphotoresist

Angle of incident (o)	Lateral displacement (m)	Angle of incident (o)	Lateral displacement (m)
+15		+15	
+45		+45	
+75		+75	

**Diffraction Experiment**

Diffraction Order						
Angle of incident (o)	order	angle	order	angle	order	angle
0	-1		0		1	
+15	-1		0		1	
-15	-1		0		1	
+45	-1		0		1	
-45	-1		0		1	
+75	-1		0		1	
-75	-1		0		1	

Refraction  
experiment  
setup



Diffraction  
experiment  
setup

