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# Modern Techniques of Surface Science

David P. Woodruff and Trevor A. Delchar Cambridge U. P., New York, 1994. second ed. 586 pp. \$89.95 hc ISBN 0-521-41467-9

This is the second edition of the widely used Modern Techniques of Surface Science, first published in 1985. The authors, David P. Woodruff and Trevor A. Delchar, set the level of presentation for final-year undergraduates, graduate students and postgraduates in physics, chemistry and materials science. Their style makes this a very readable book. There are over 300 illustrations showing typical experimental data, schematic drawings of apparatus and the physical principles associated with the measurement process. The organization and an extensive index make it easy to locate the appropriate section for the technique of interest. In general the discussion of a specific technique or spectroscopy is self-contained. The book starts off with an introduction to surfaces and surface techniques, followed by eight chapters on various types of surface measurements.

In the preface the authors point out that, even though there is more activity in surface science now than when the first edition was published, a fundamental change has taken place: The proliferation of new techniques that was occurring in the early 1980s has stopped. Scientists and engineers are now exploiting existing methods to solve problems and the application of multiple methods to individual problems is quite common.

This "new and fully revised" edition claims to address this changing use of techniques and to include three techniques that were not covered in the first edition: atomic-scale scanning probe microscopy, inverse photoemission and x-ray diffraction methods applied to structural analysis. In my opinion, this edition falls short, very short, of those objectives.

A few examples will illustrate the origin of this harsh evaluation. There are some 120 figures presenting experimental data in the revised sec-

tions of the book. The average date of publication is 1976, and there are only three figures from the 1990s. Of the 22 illustrations of various ultrahigh vacuum systems in these chapters, over 60% depict glass systems. Most of today's graduate students have never seen a working glass uhv system. But what is more important is that there is no serious effort to compare different techniques, although the authors describe this as one of the major changes in the field between the publication of the first edition and the second editions.

An example is the dispersion of the famous surface state on Cu(111), which exists in the neck of the Cu Fermi surface. Angle-resolved photoemission, inverse photoemission and scanning tunneling spectroscopy on the quantum corrals can all be used to measure the dispersion. But in *Modern Techniques of Surface Science* only inverse photoemission is mentioned in connection with the Cu(111) surface state, and no comparison is made to the other measurements.

There are other systems in which the surface structure has been determined by LEED (low-energy electron diffraction), x-ray scattering and double-alignment ion scattering. In most cases the different techniques give the same answer, but there have been cases where a disagreement between techniques led to a reevaluation of the data and ultimately to the correct answer.

A prime example is the structure determination of the c(2×2) configuration of CO on Ni(100), used by the authors to illustrate a LEED structural analysis. The first paper on LEED reported that the CO was bonded in a tilted configuration, while the symmetry observations in angle-resolved photoemission clearly indicated that the CO molecular axis was perpendicular to the surface. A reevaluation of the LEED data led to the conclusion that the CO was indeed standing straight up. This second LEED analysis is presented in figure 2.24 of the second edition. Woodruff and Delchar should have pointed out that modern surface techniques are still subject to interpretation, and consequently results obtained by two or more techniques can be inconsistent.

Anyone interested in reading about the modern techniques of surface science should wait for the third edition, in which, it is hoped, the authors and the publisher actually do what they said they were going to do in the second edition. In the meantime use the first edition of this book supplemented by existing re-

views of x-ray scattering, STM and inverse photoemission.

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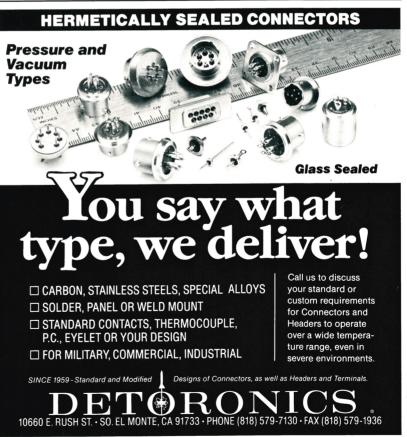


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