

# Methoden der Validierung der FTIR-Spektrometrie in der Gasanalytik

## Offen-Pfad- und passive Messungen

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VDI Guideline 4211, part 1  
Burner and calibration gases  
Calibration flame  
Hot calibration gas cell  
Instrumental Line Shape determination

## **Relevant information from advisory standards**

**VDI Guideline "Atmospheric measurements near ground with FTIR spectroscopy. Measurements of gaseous emissions and immissions. Fundamentals" (VDI 4211, part 1)**

**CEN working group TC 264/WG 18 "Open path optical methods for the measurement of ambient air quality"**

**Use of reference spectra**

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**Primary Calibration**

**IR gas cell with calibration gas in the radiation path of the spectrometer**

**Five concentration levels minimum, run through in 10 cycles according to VDI Guideline 2449 Part 1 or ISO standard 9169**

**Test gases are produced and metered into the gas cell statically or dynamically according to VDI Guideline 3490**

**Determination of calibration function with its confidence ranges in accordance with VDI Guideline 2449 Part 1 or ISO standard 9169**

**CEN**  
**Control calibration**

**Determination of  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$  (340 ppb) and  $\text{CH}_4$  (1.7 ppm)  
concentration in ambient air**

**Determination of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  concentration**

**Comparison with independent water vapour  
concentration measurements**

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## **Calibration by using spectral lines from data bases and determination ILS**

**Synthetic determination of calibration spectra with  
molecular spectroscopic database and quantitative  
ILS**

**Determination of actual ILS with measurement of  
laser or CO of known concentration (spectral  
resolution narrower than line width)**

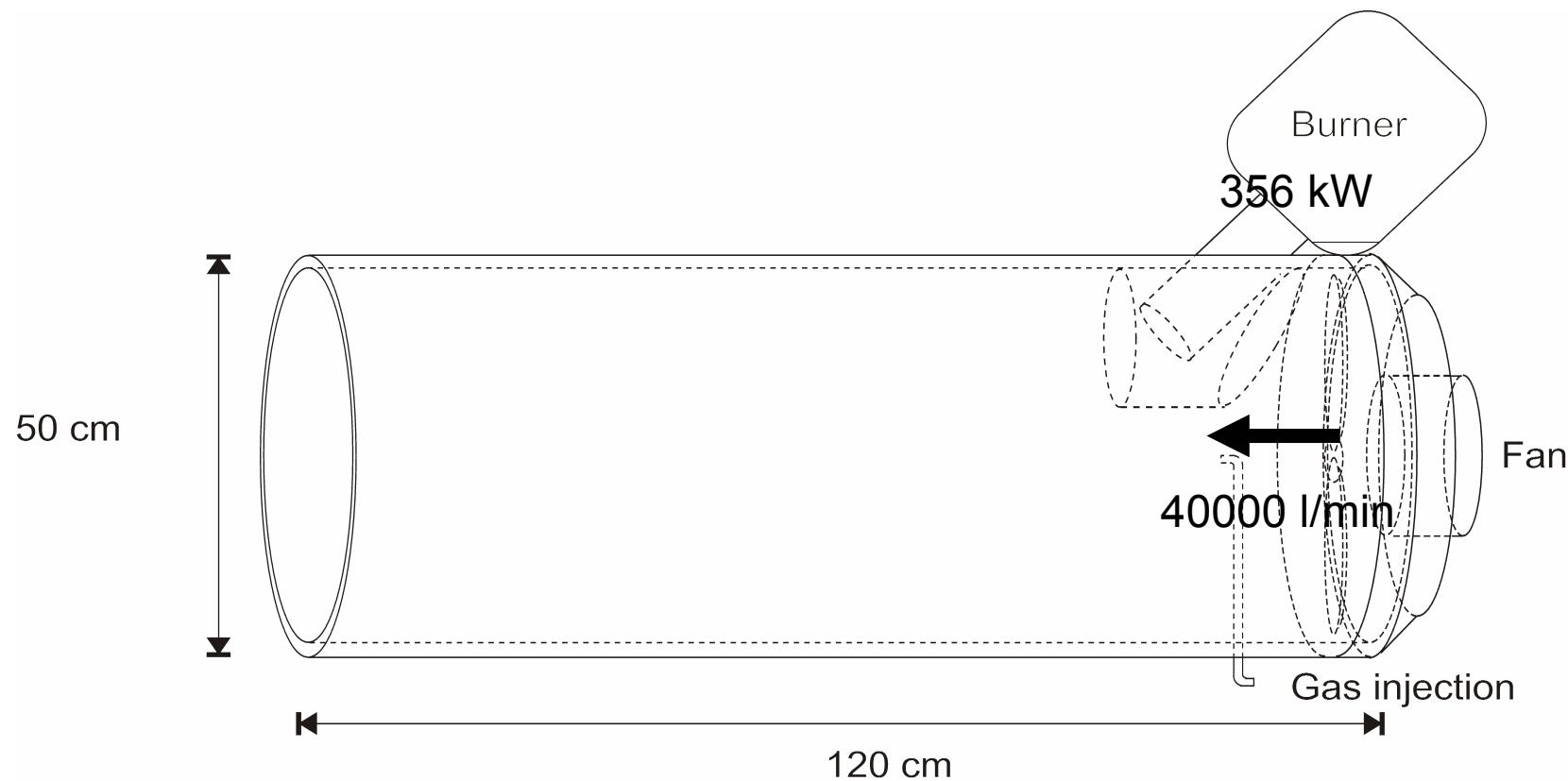
## **Evaluation of FTIR spectrometry applied for hot gas analyses**

**Evaluation of FTIR measurement results is necessary  
for routine application of the measurement method**

**Different methodologies and techniques for this task  
were considered:**

- calibration burner (high temperature gas producer),
- calibration flame,
- hot cell

## Calibration burner (high temperature gas producer)

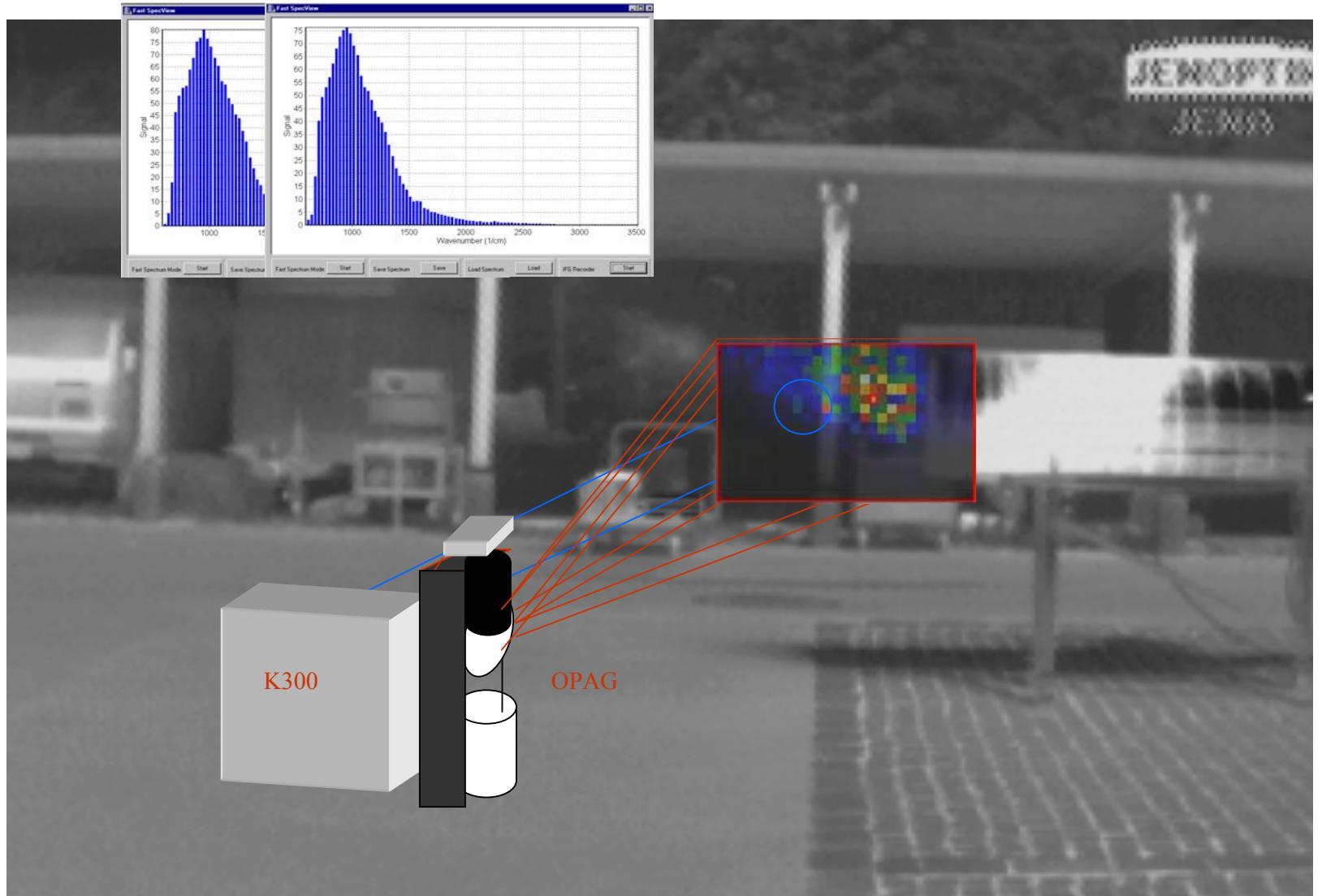


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Burner experiments

McKenna burner

Hot gas cell

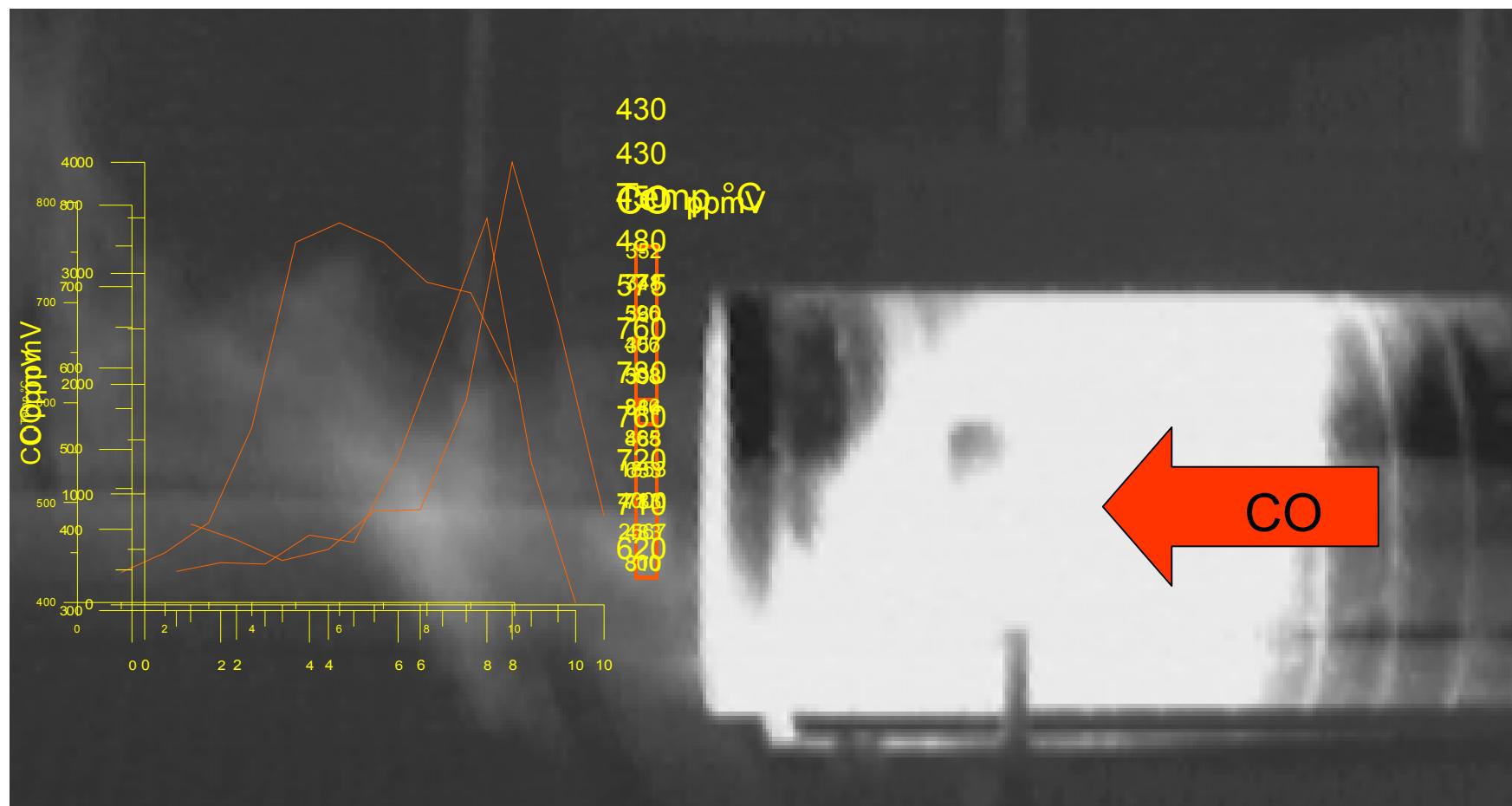


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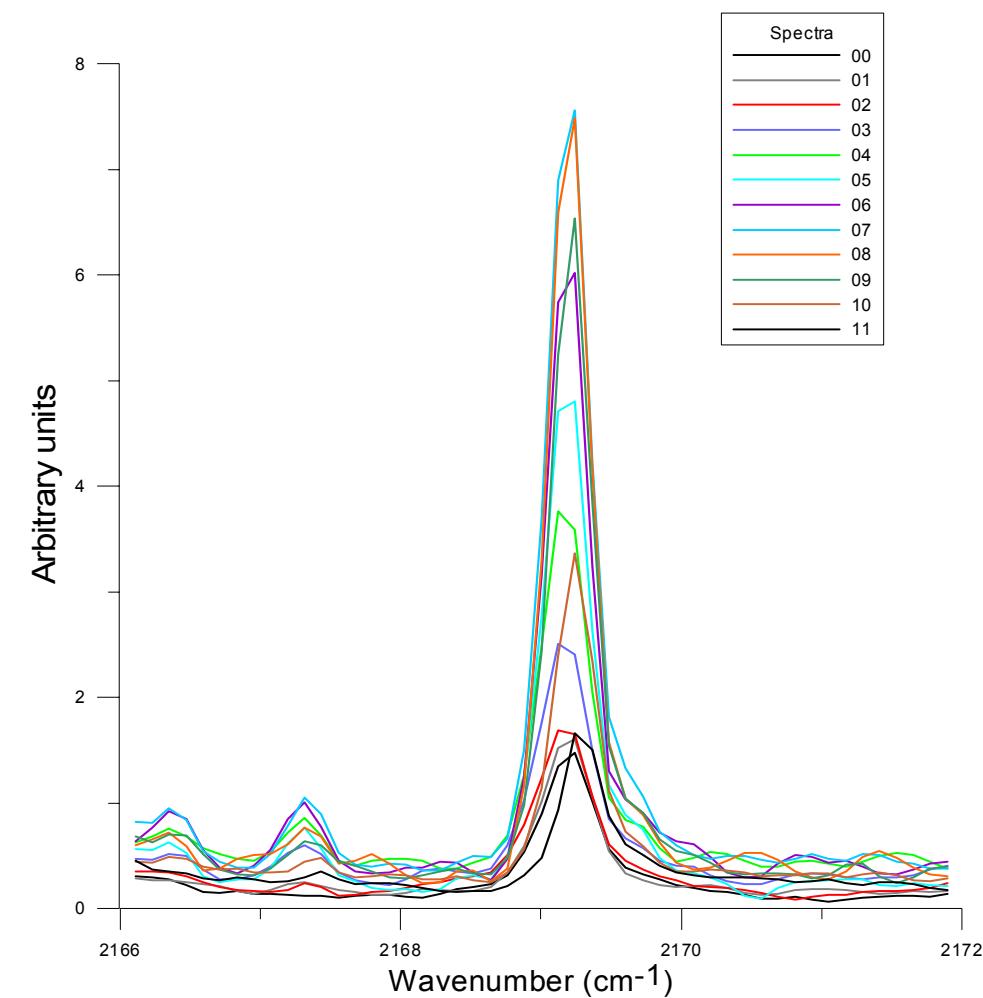
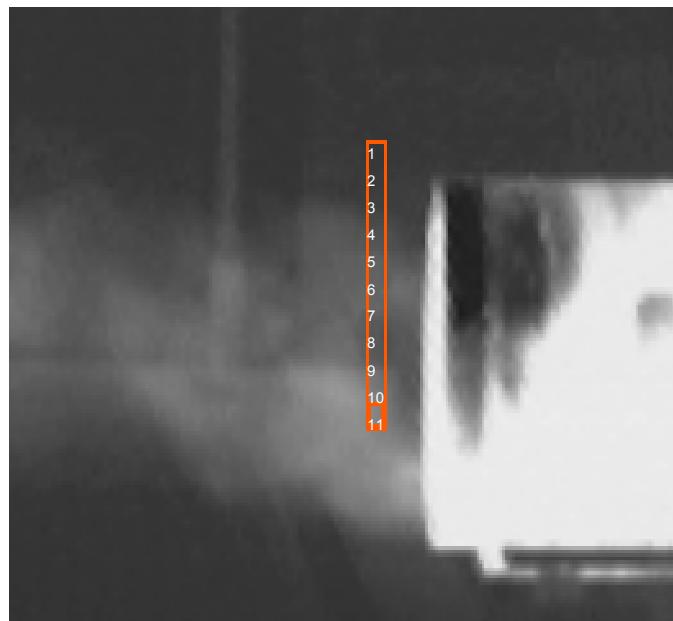


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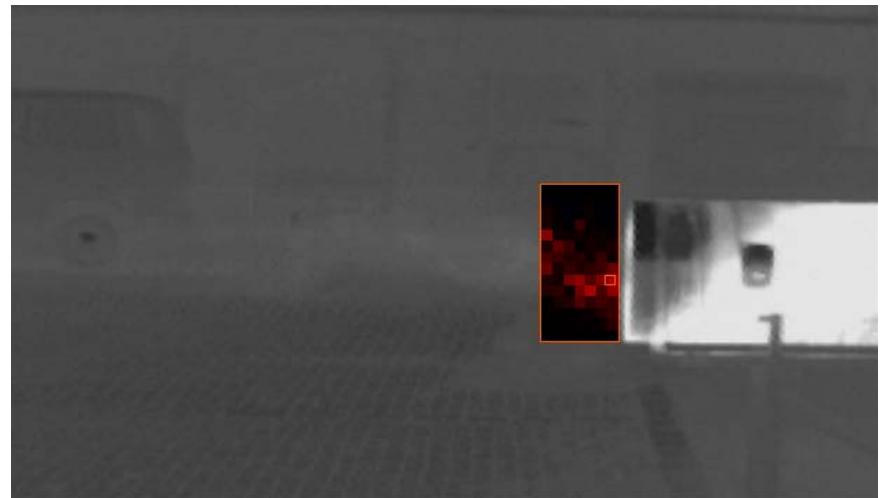
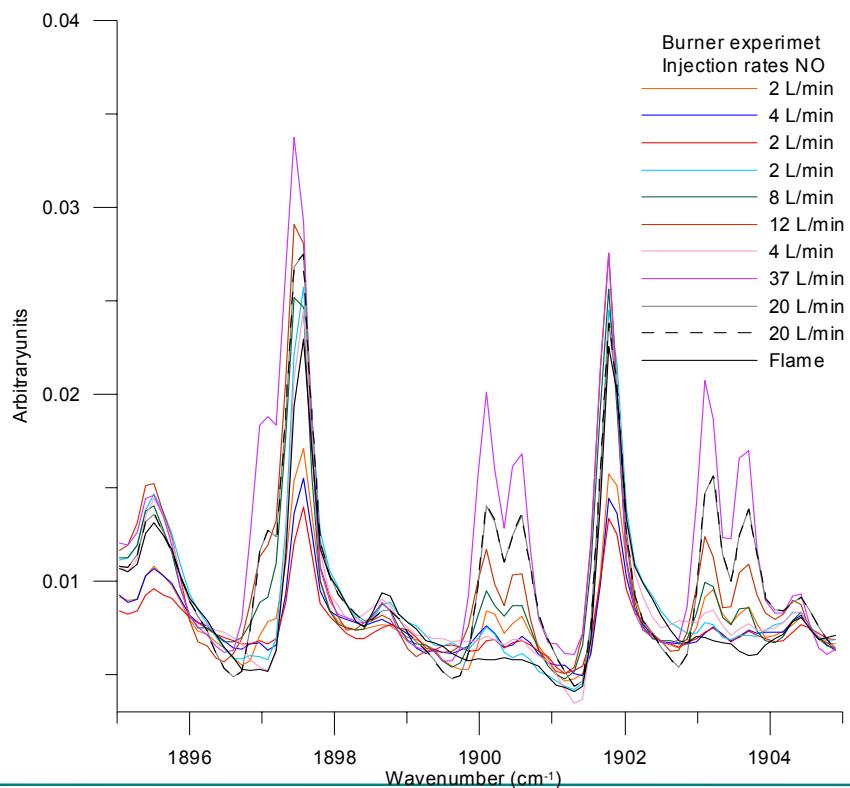


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NO injection

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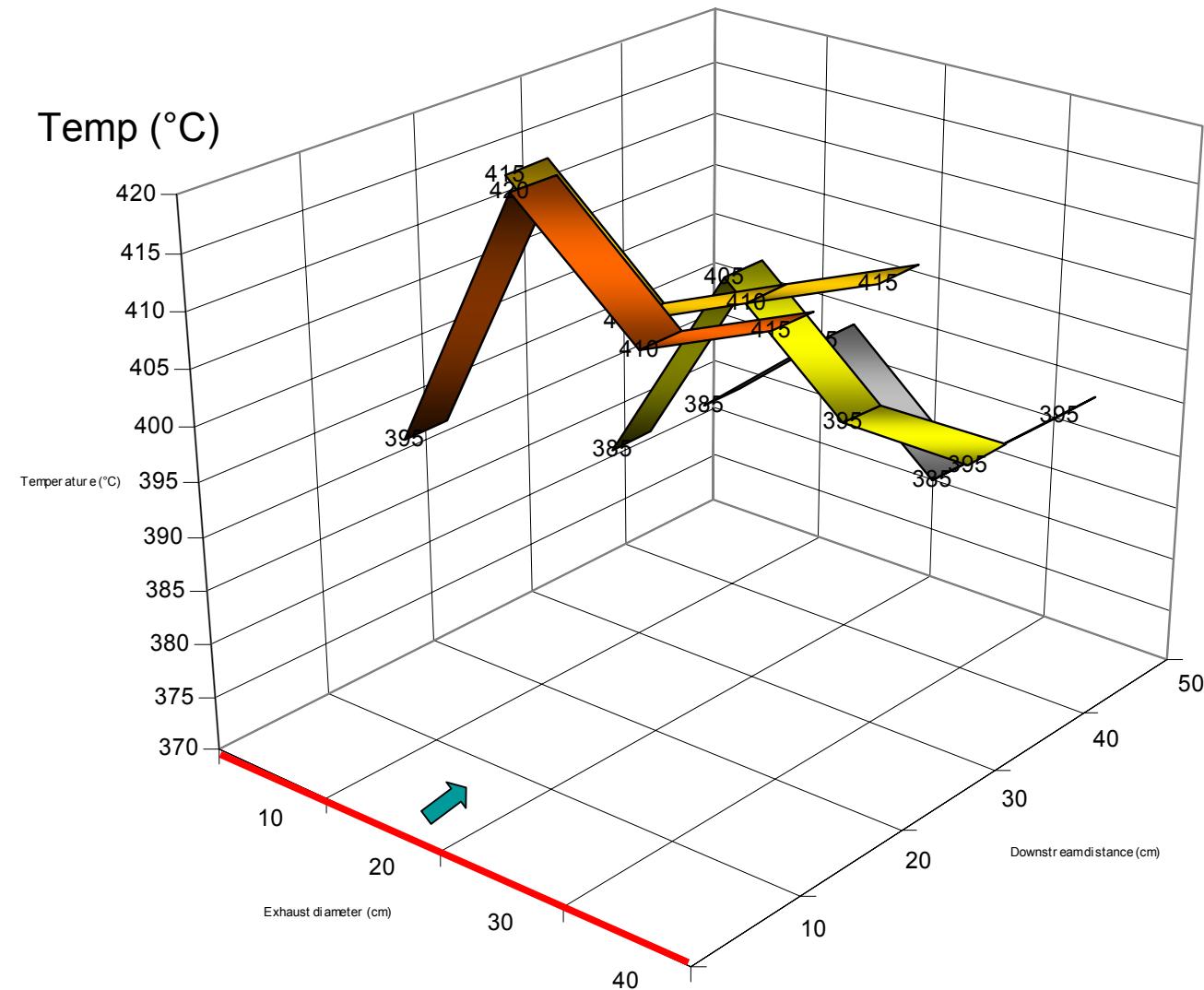
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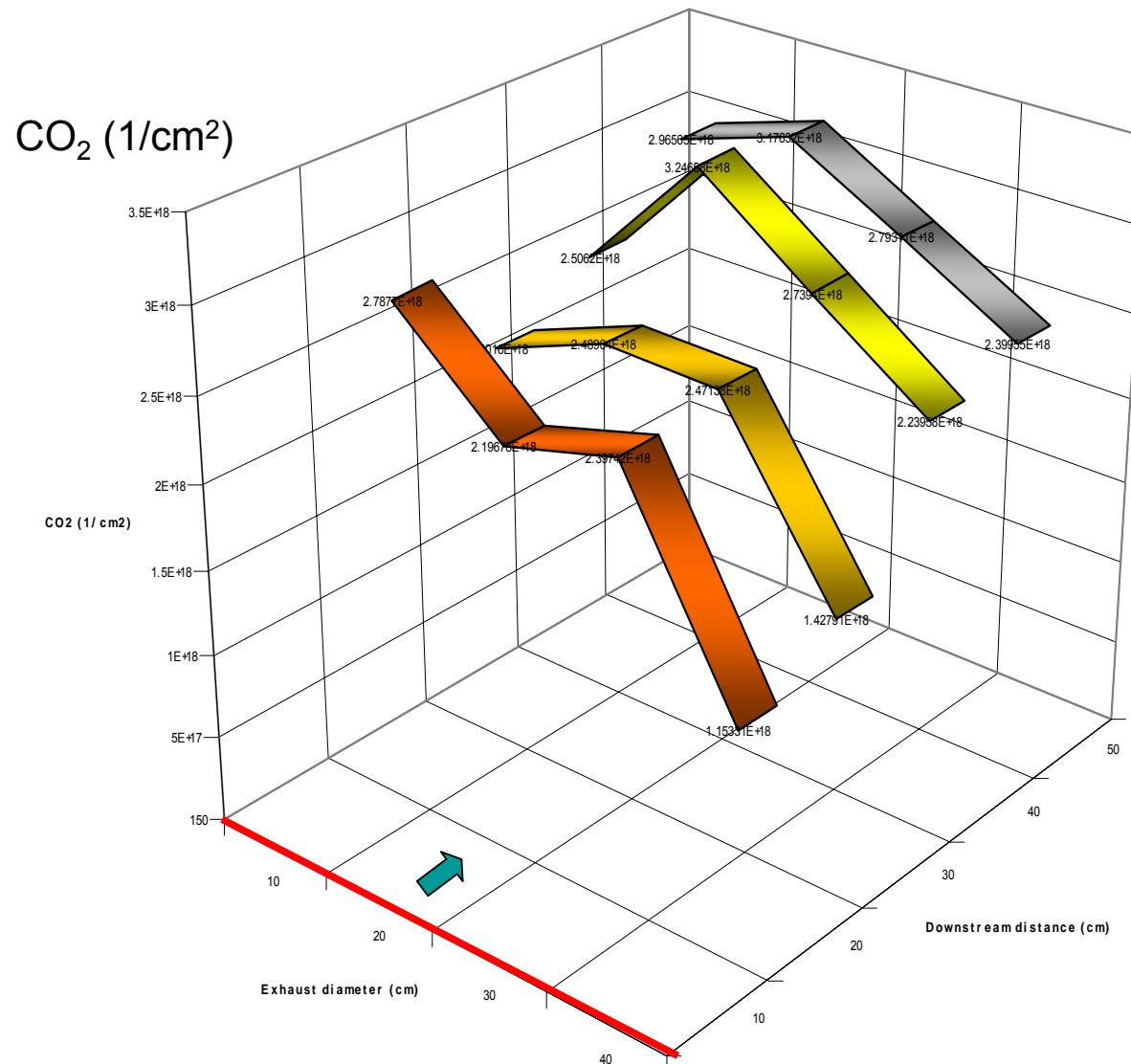
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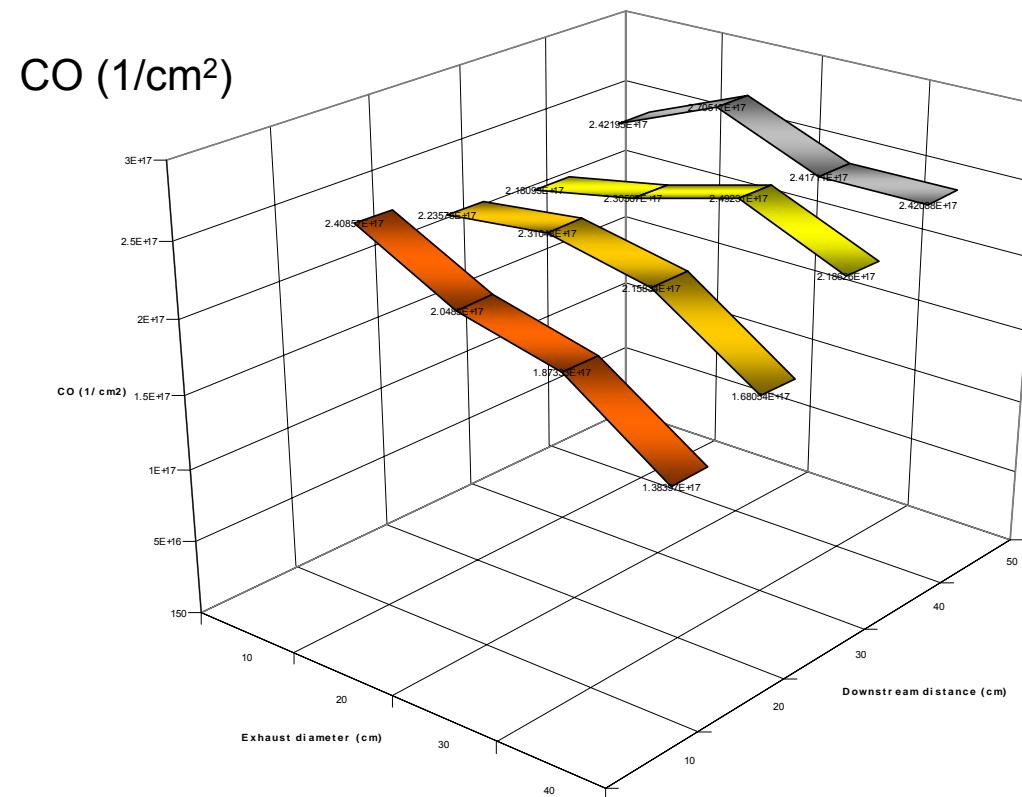
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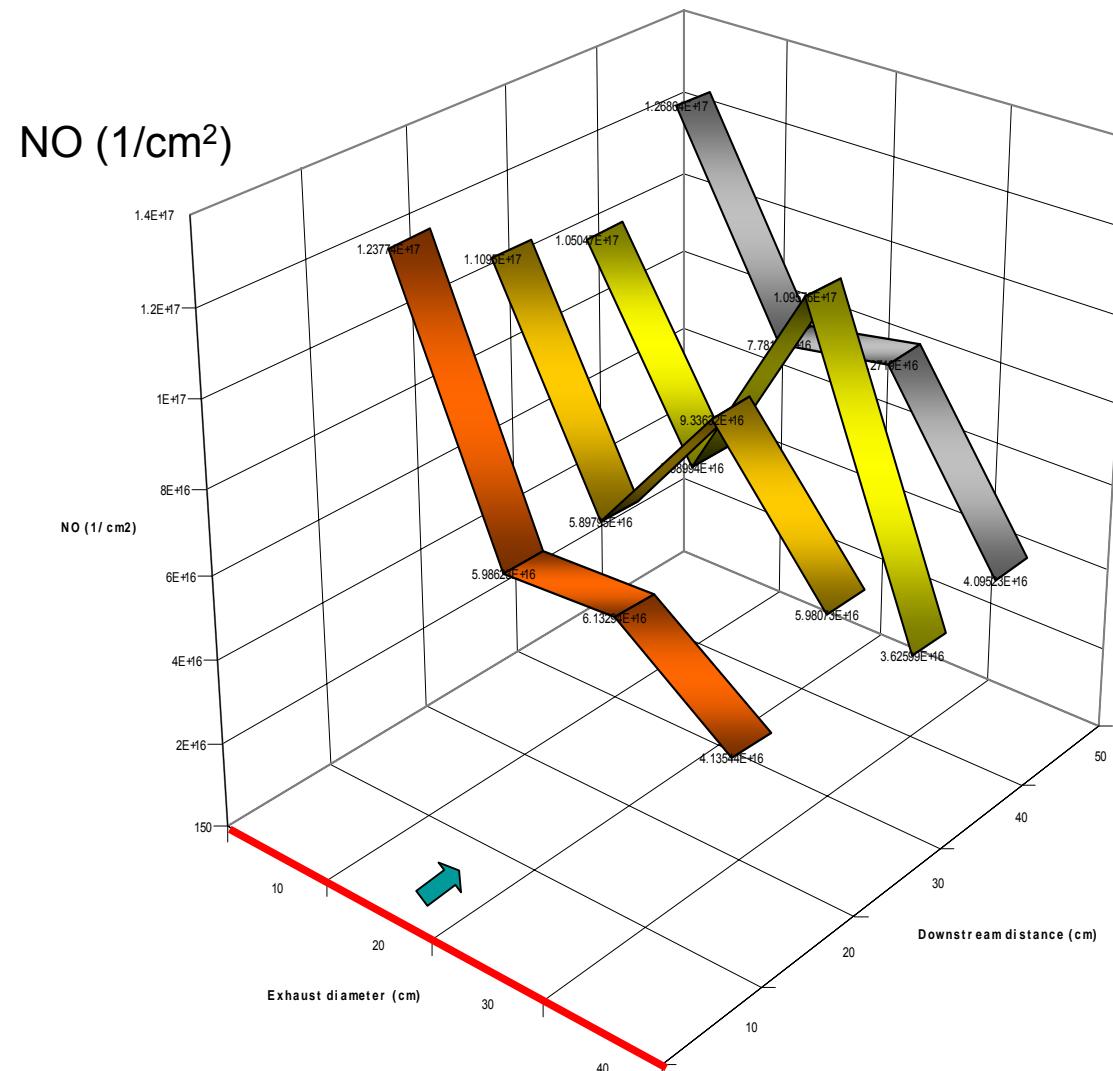
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## Experiments with burner

**CO and NO (pure calibration gases) were injected in the exhausts with different amounts as calibration gases to vary the concentration of these gases**

**Relevant chemical transformation of the injected CO and NO in the exhaust plume**

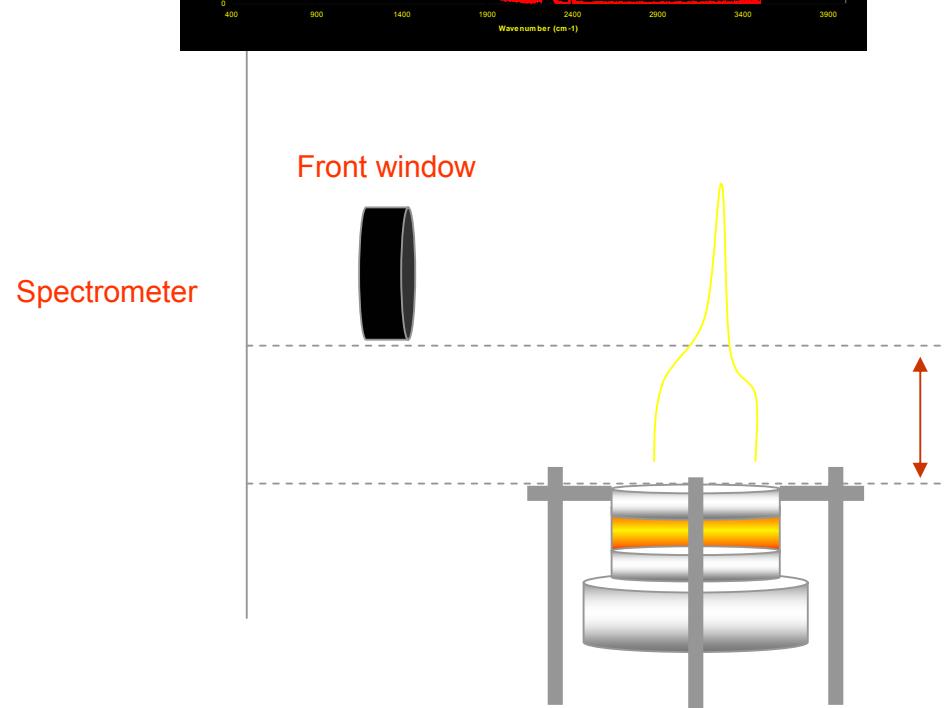
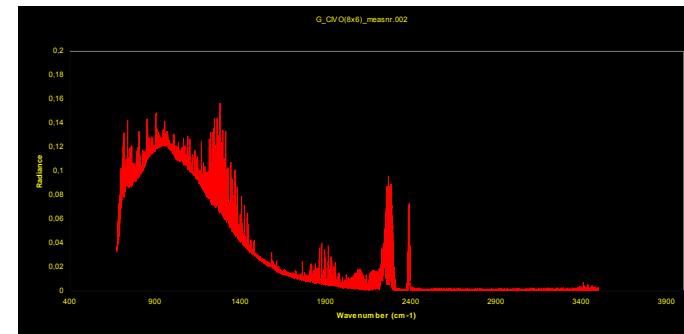
**Problems with homogeneous mixing**

**Results show that this method is not accurate enough for operational use**

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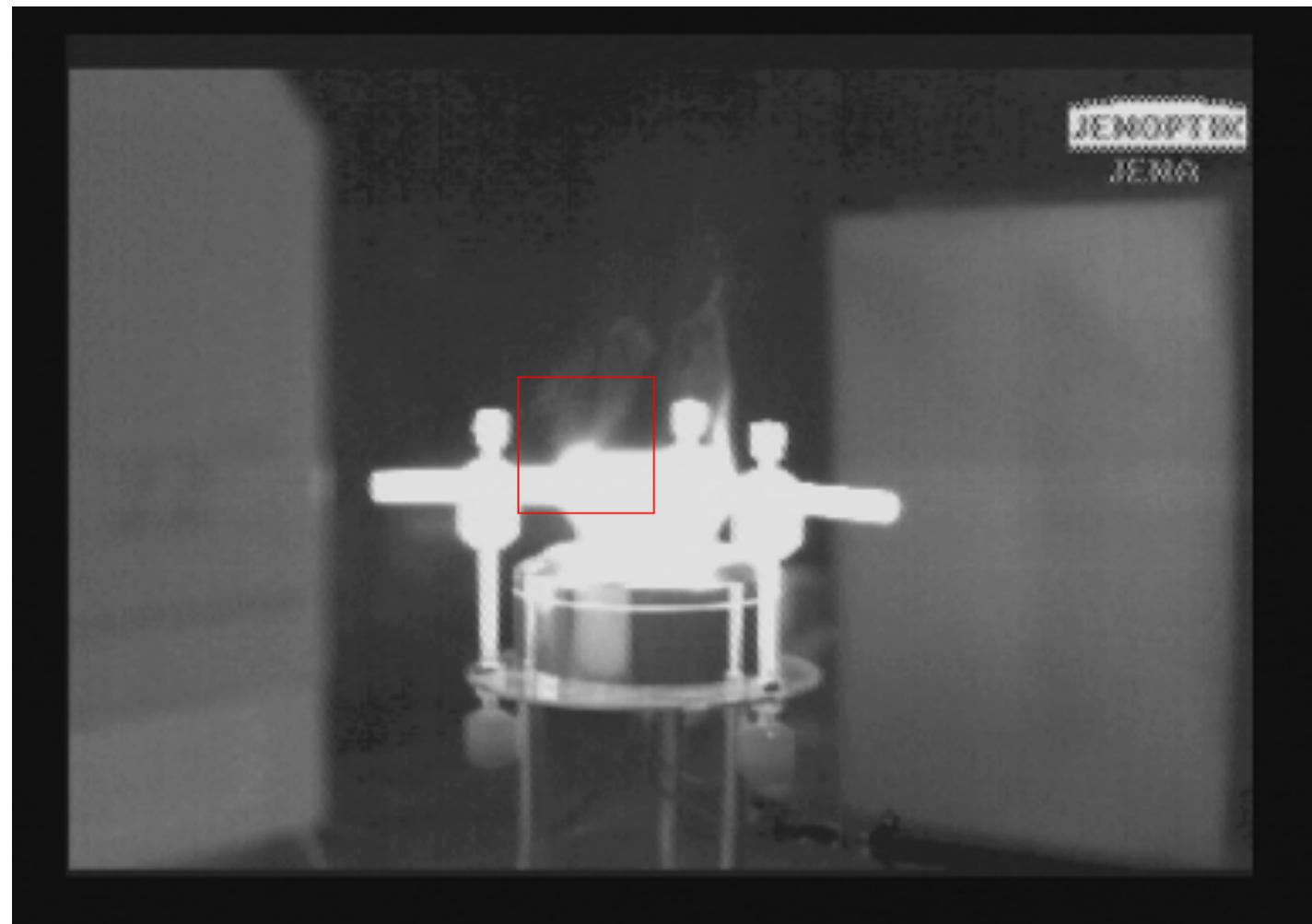


Distance and altitude of the flame were fixed  
Time of measurements was about 5 minutes

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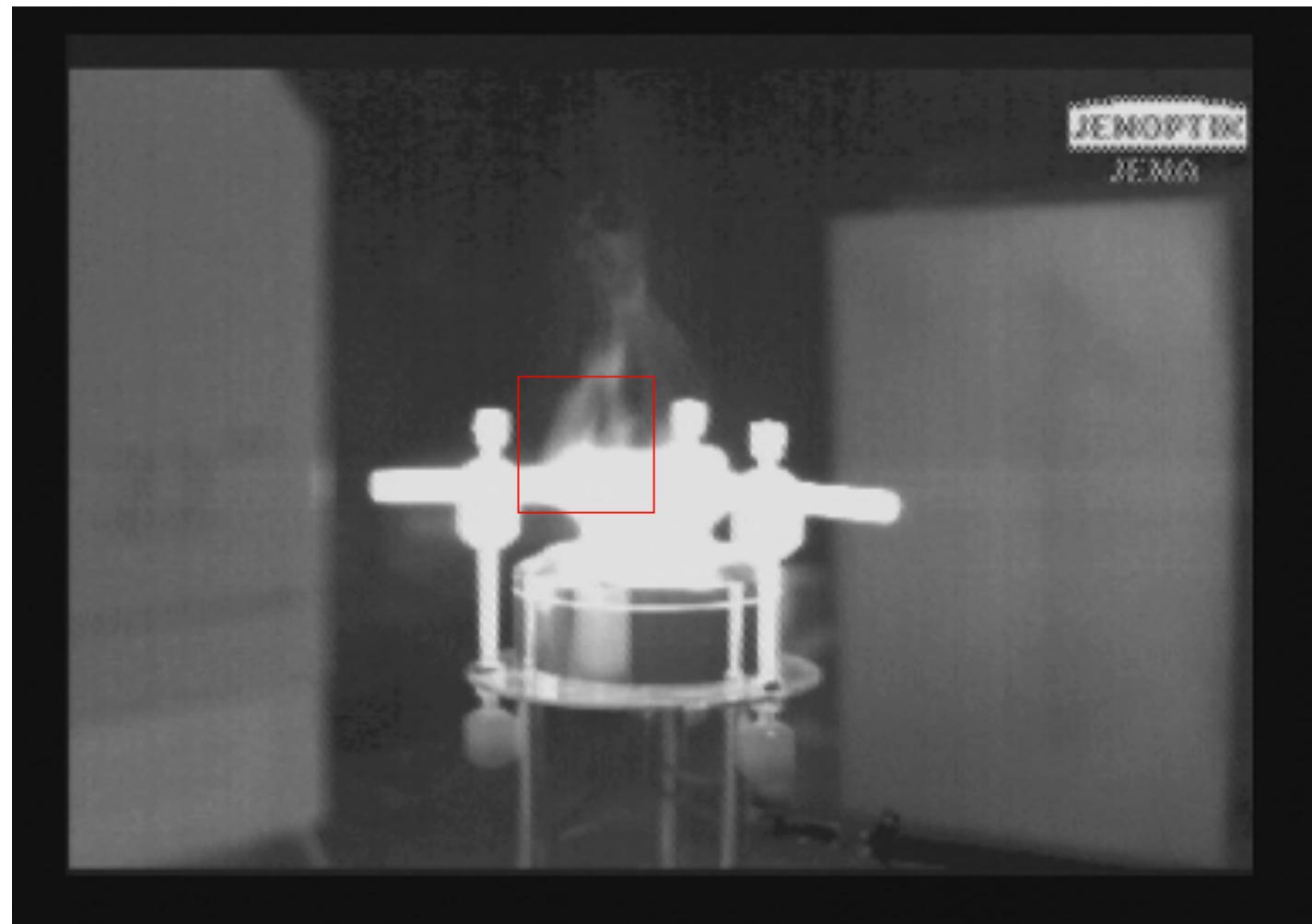


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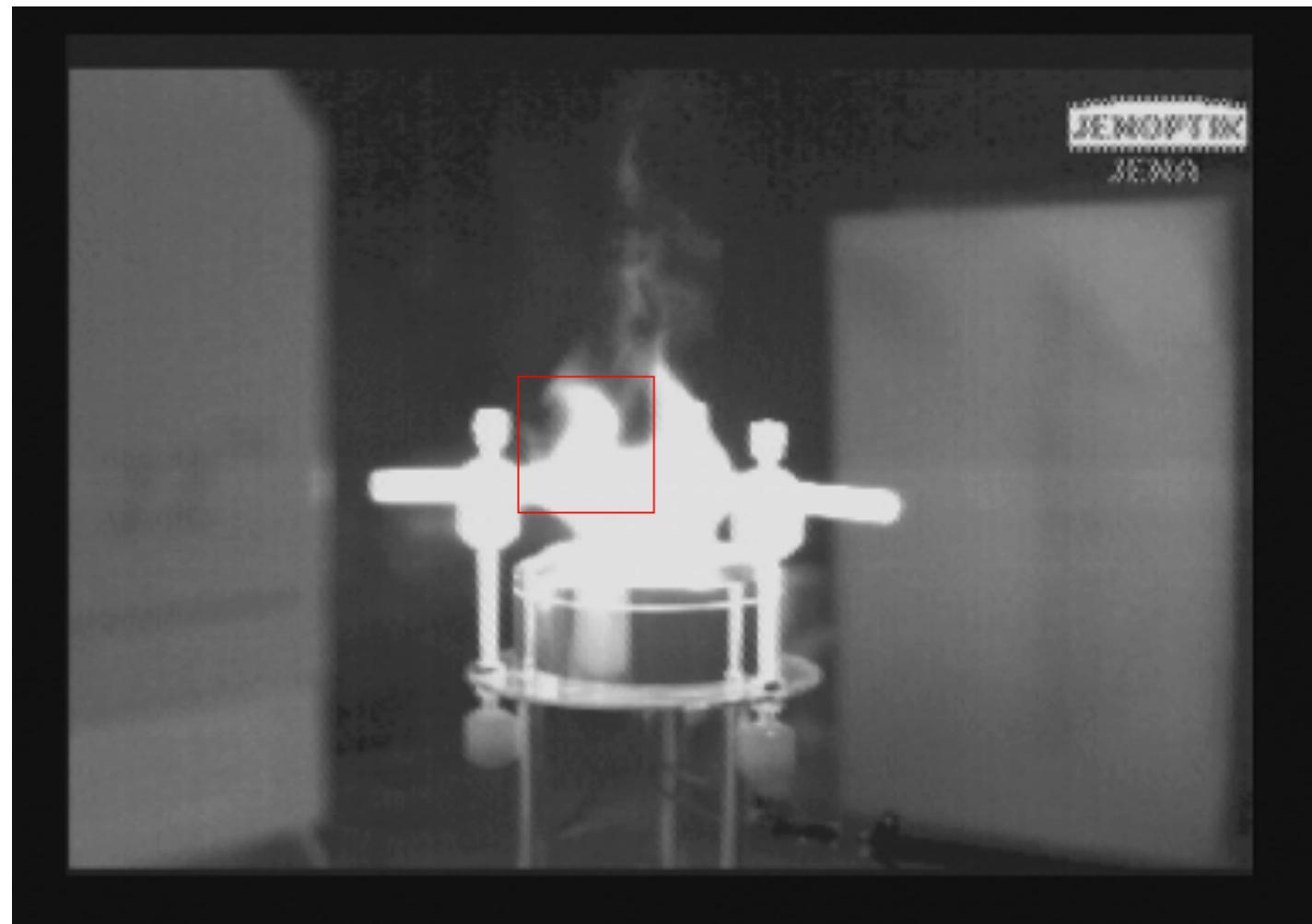


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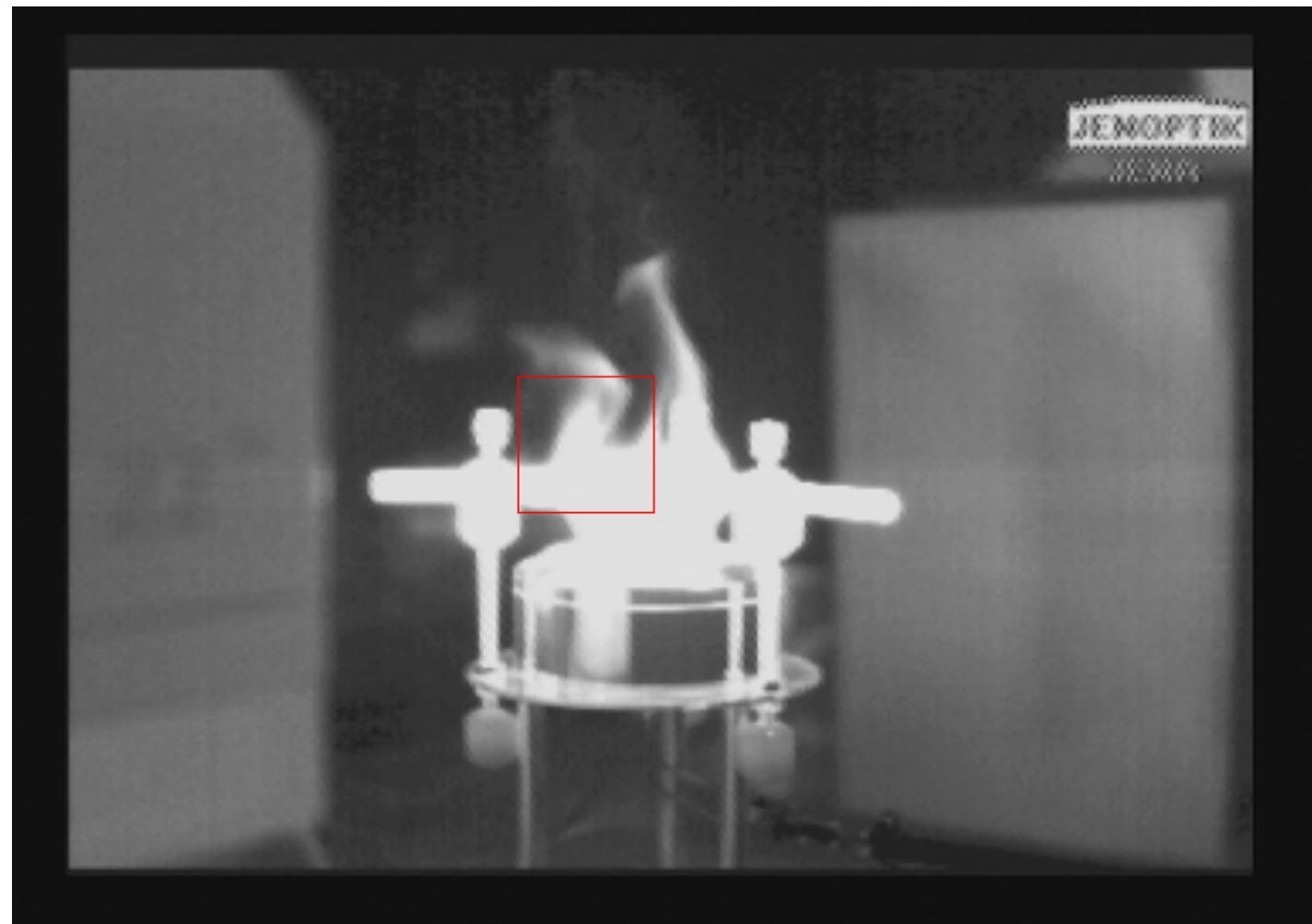


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## Experiments with calibration flame

**Measurements with a McKenna burner to determine CO and NO concentrations as well as temperature**

**Influences by any air streaming**

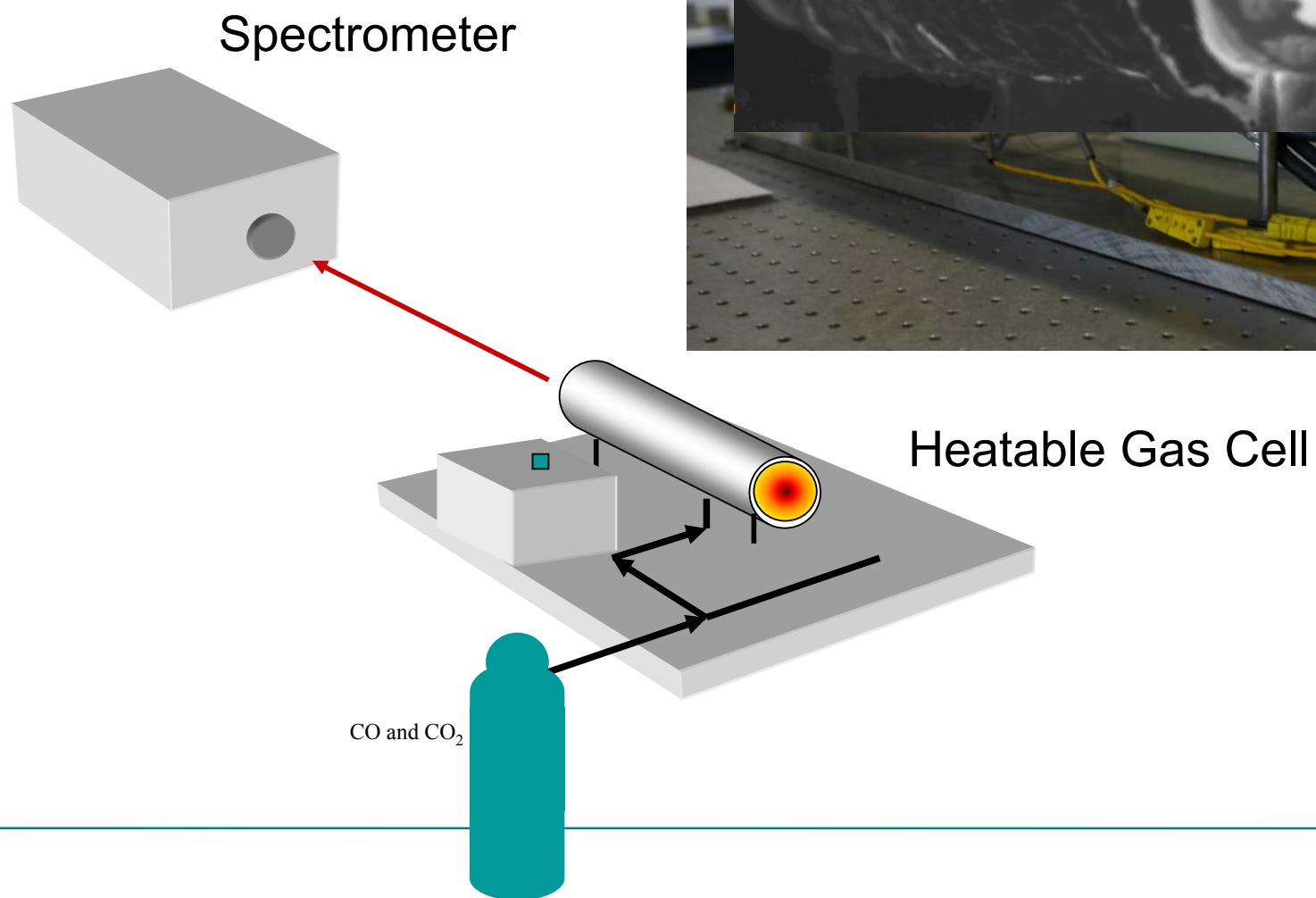
**Repeatability of the experiment is not reliable**

**Calibration flames are much easier to handle than a burner but the same difficulties exist with added calibration gases**

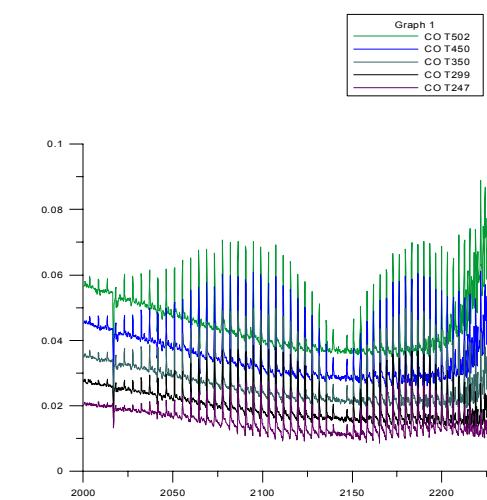
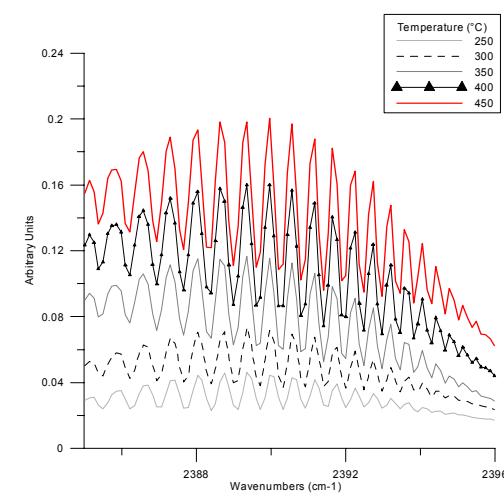
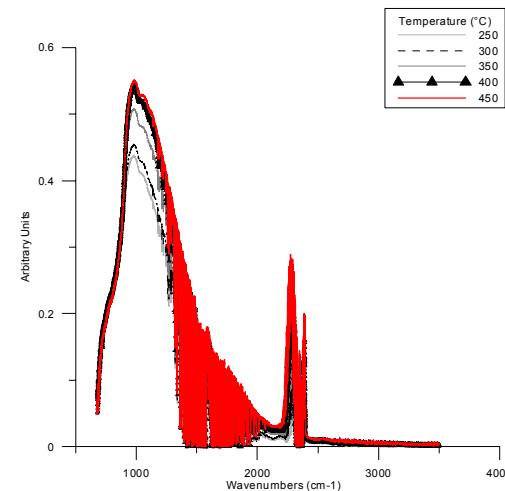
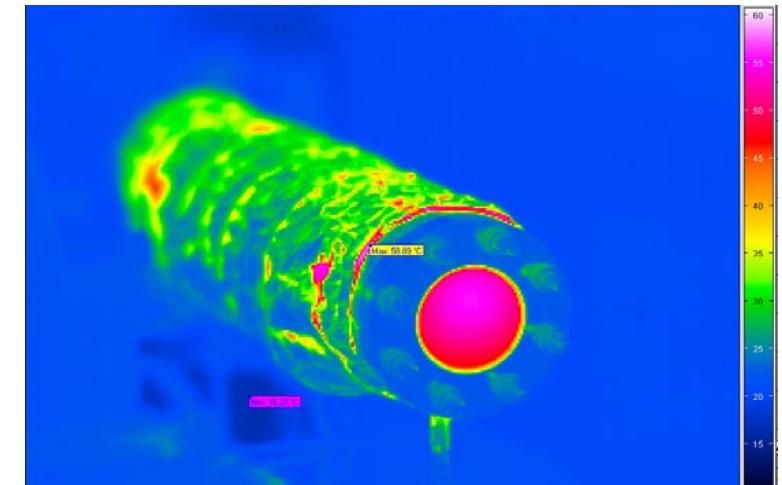
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Absorption path length: 50 cm  
Diameter: 5.5 cm  
Window material: Calcium fluoride  
Calibrated gas mixture:  
 $\text{CO}_2$  3.5%, CO 500ppmV and air  
Temperature range: 300 - 750 K.

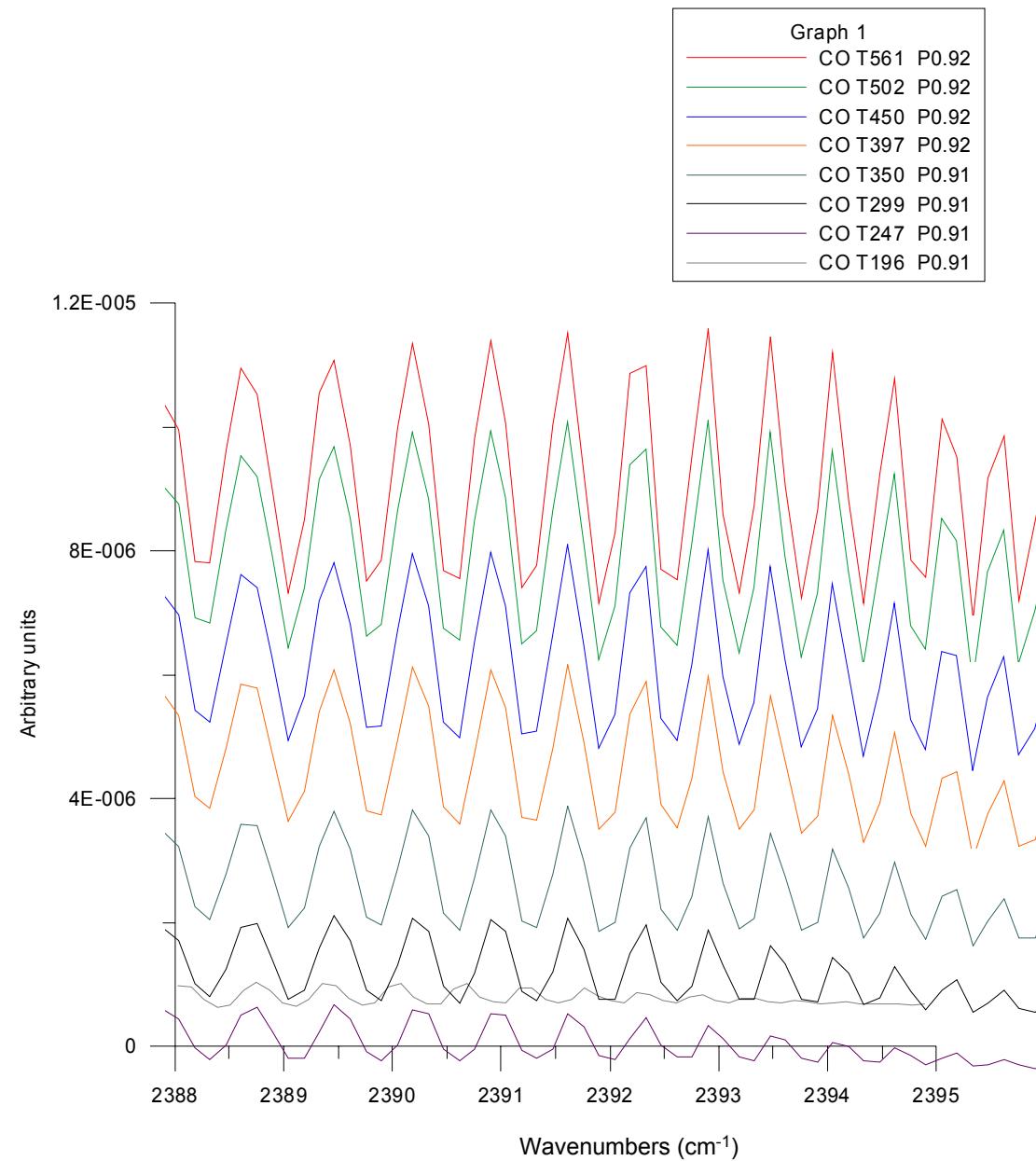


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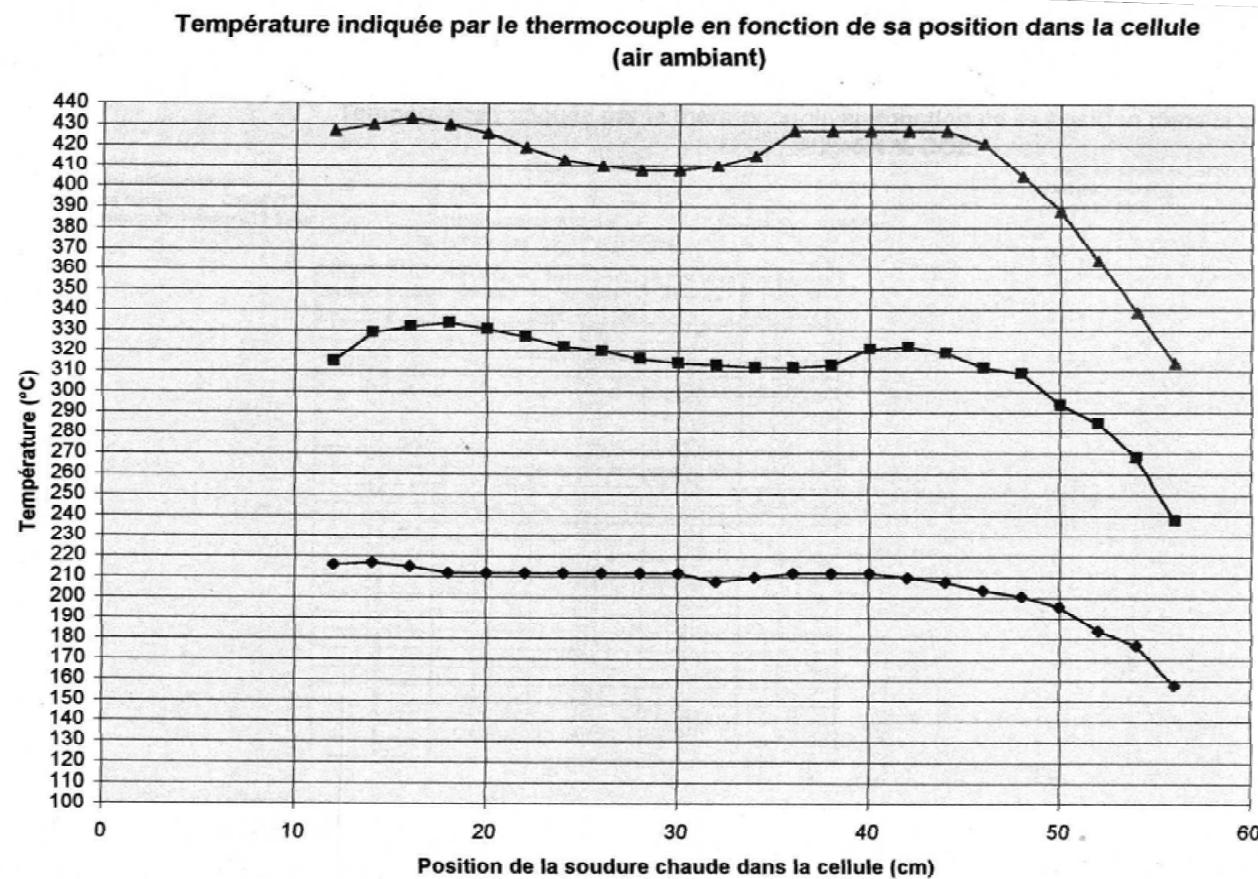
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## **Experiments with heatable gas cell**

**Experiments with the hot cell includes a heatable cell, thermo-couples for temperature control, manometer and a regulation device**

**Cell was operated with a constant gas mixture ( $\text{CO}_2$  and CO in synthetic air) in the cell during the measurement (no gas flow)**

**Materials for temperatures higher than 500°C are necessary**

**In-homogeneities of temperature and mixed gases inside the cell and influences by windows and walls of the cell**

## Calibration with determination of real ILS

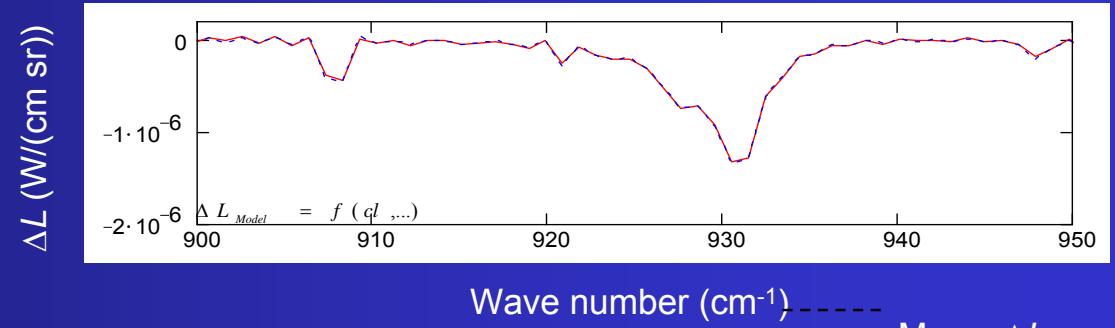
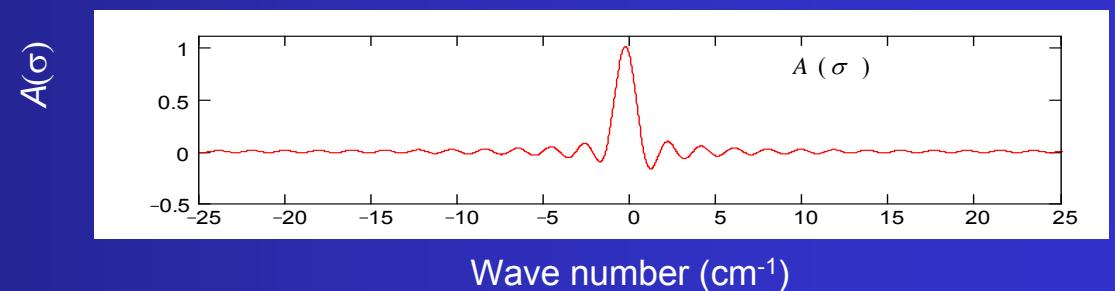
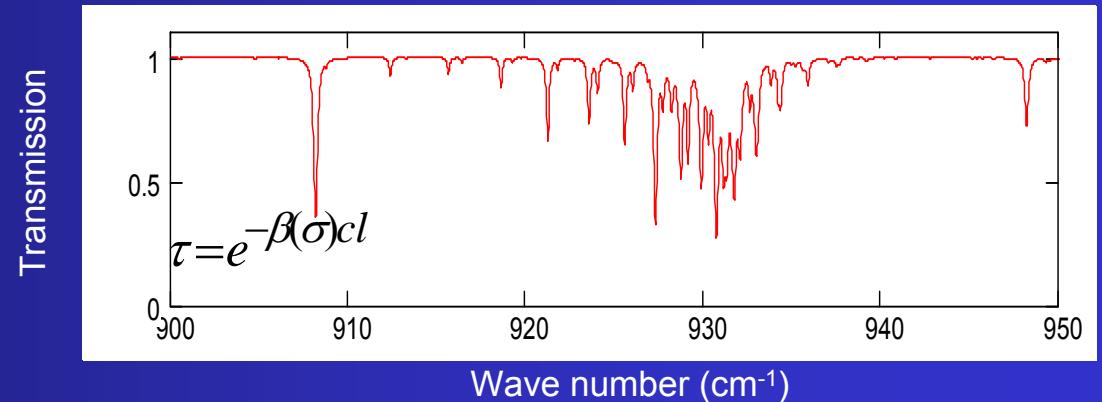
Example:

Radiative transfer model

Real ILS

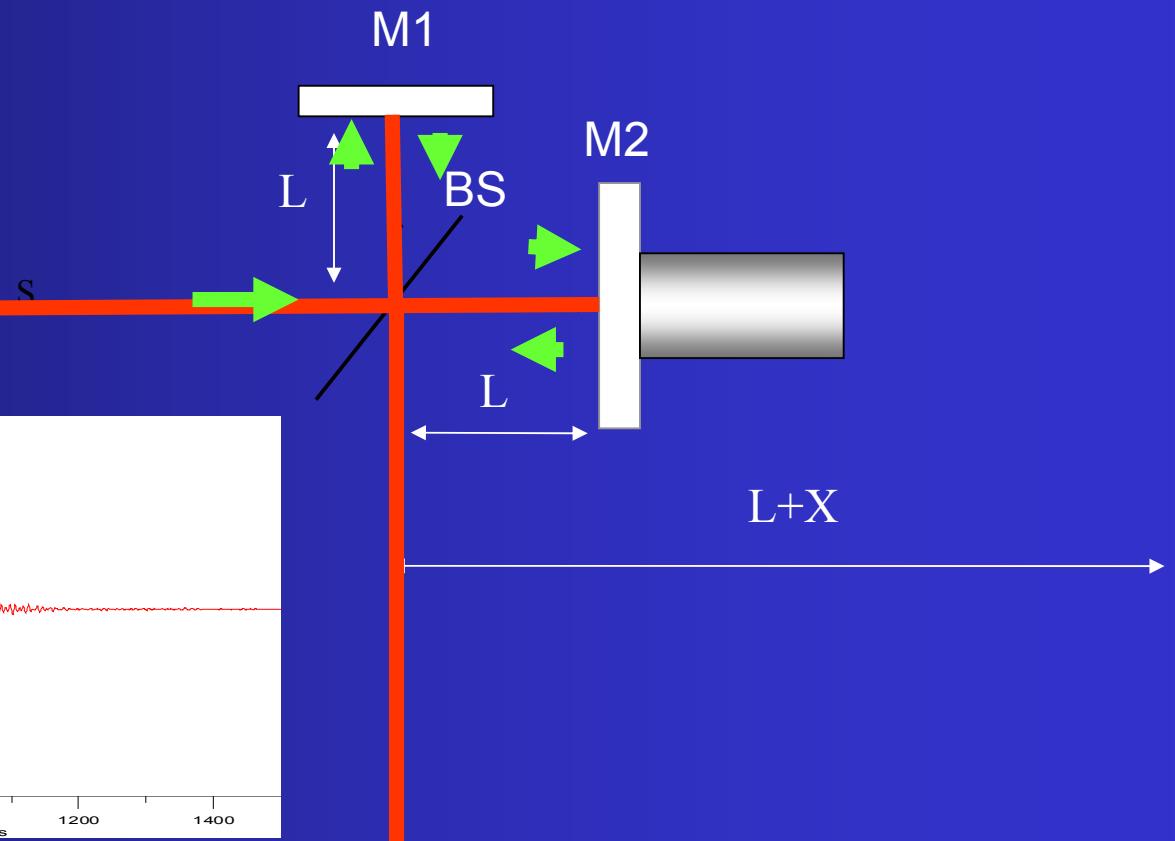
Calculated and measured  
radiance

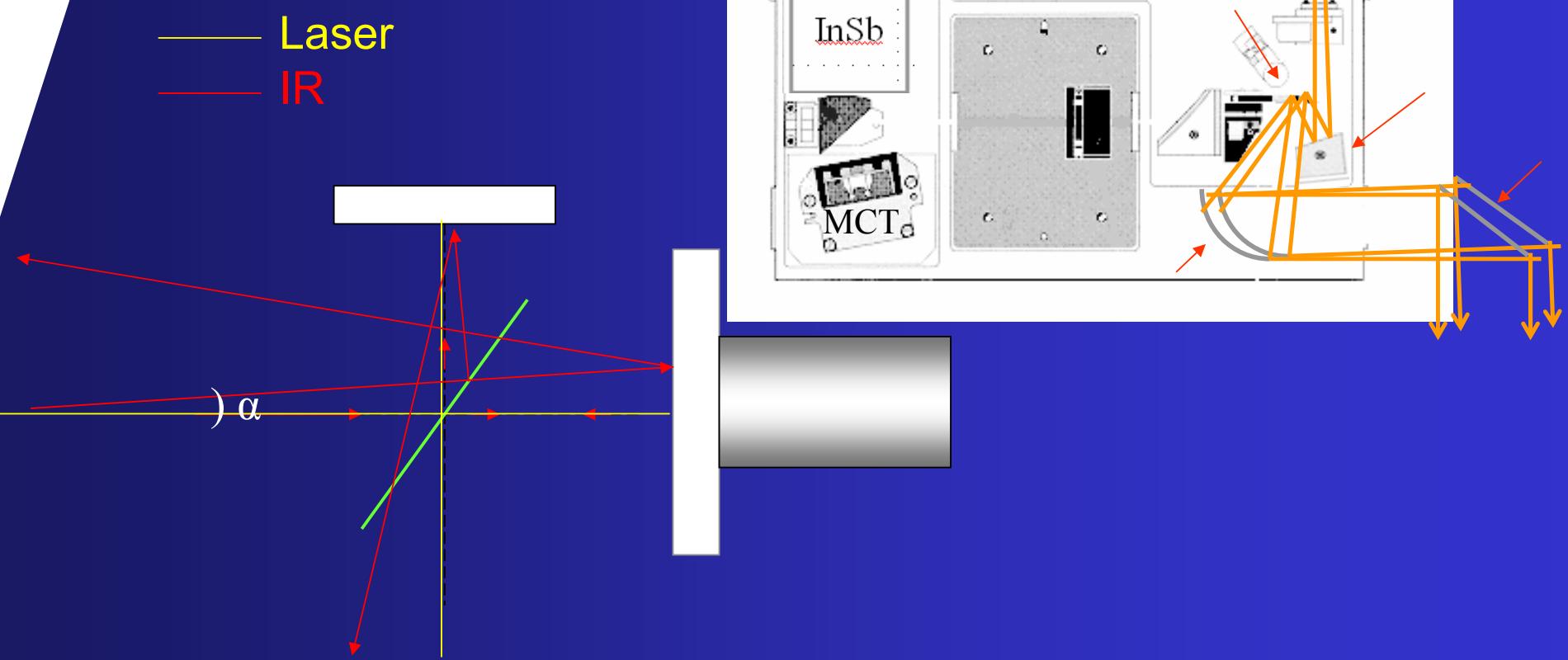
Non-linear Modelling Example: Spectrum of Ammonia



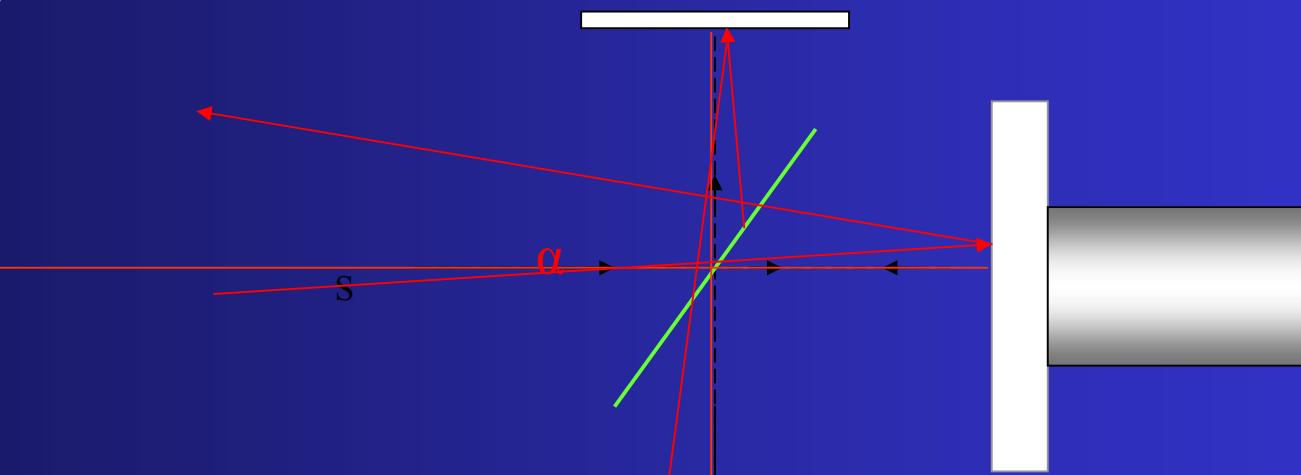
Wave number ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )  
Meas.  $\Delta L_{\text{Meas}}$   
Model  $\Delta L_{\text{Model}}$

For an ideal interferometer operating with perfectly collimated radiation, the ideal instrumental line shape  $A_0$  will be given by the Fourier transform of the function that will describe the finite movement of the mirror.





## Phase error- wrong sampling points



IR Beam  
Laser Beam



The path difference  $x_\alpha$  between the two rays in question is:

$$x_\alpha = (AB + BC) - AC = x \cos \alpha$$

M1

M2

## Determination of the real ILS

- Absorption experiment

Gas with well separated lines and narrower than the resolution of the spectrometer: NH<sub>3</sub>, CO

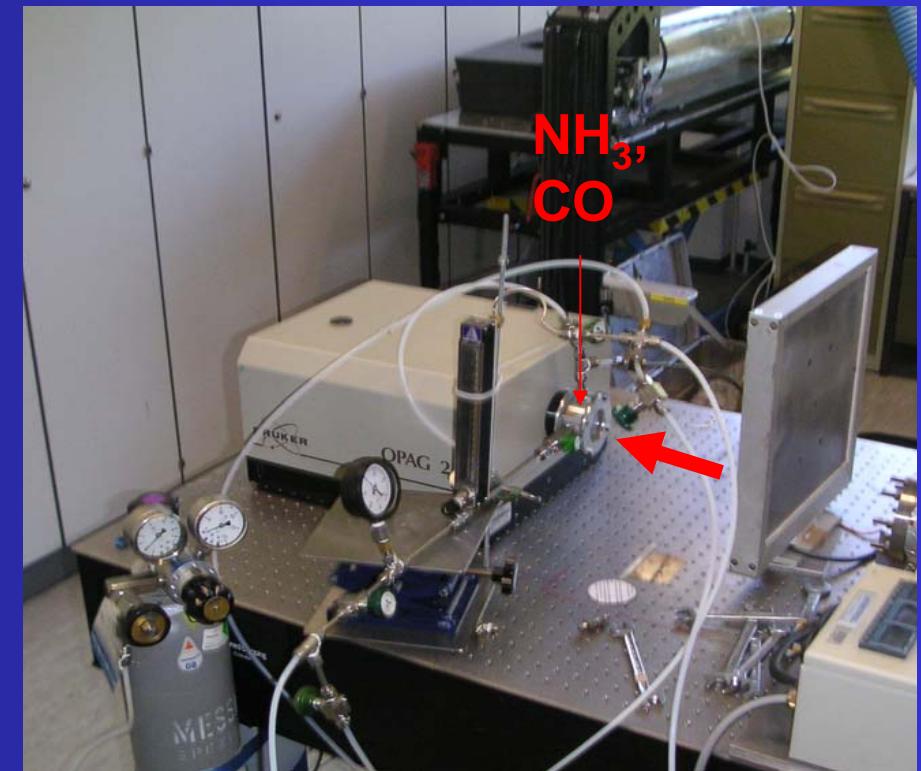
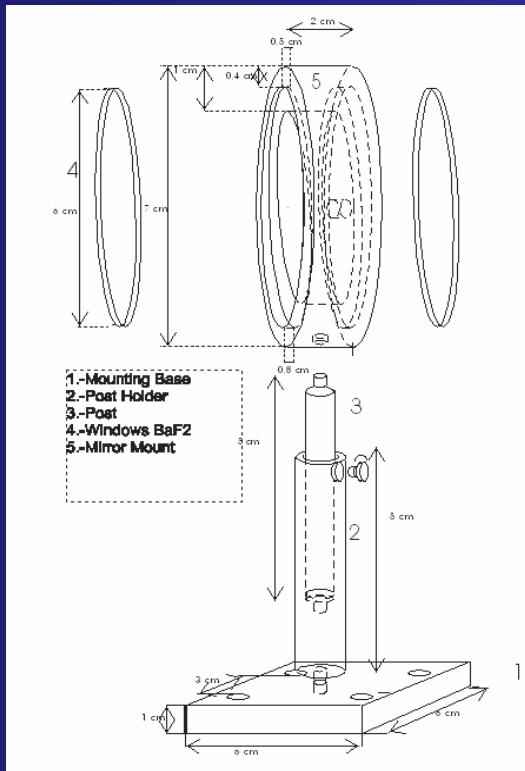
- Sub-models:

Radiative transfer model

Model of the ILS

## Transmittance of a gas

Material: Stainless-steel  
Optical depth: 1 cm  
Field of view: 5 cm  
Window material: BaF<sub>2</sub>

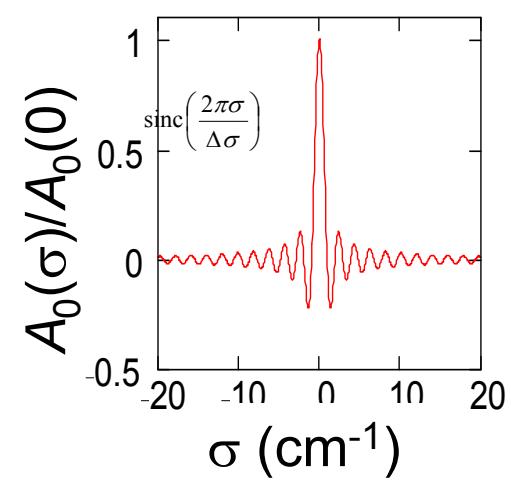


## Real ILS calculation

Calculation of the Instrument Line Shape (ILS):  
Model for Real Instrument

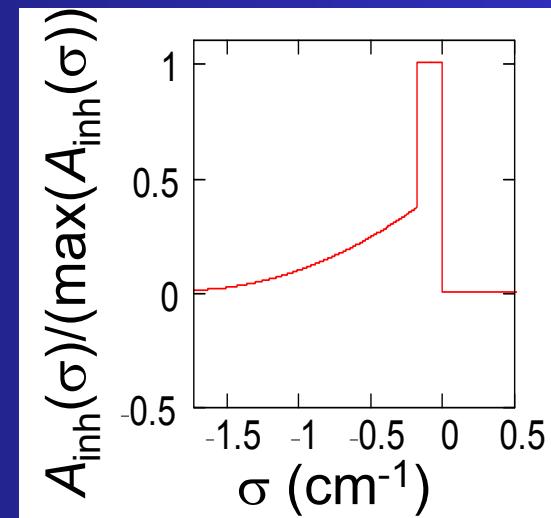
Ideal  
ILS:

$$A_0(\sigma, \Delta\sigma)$$



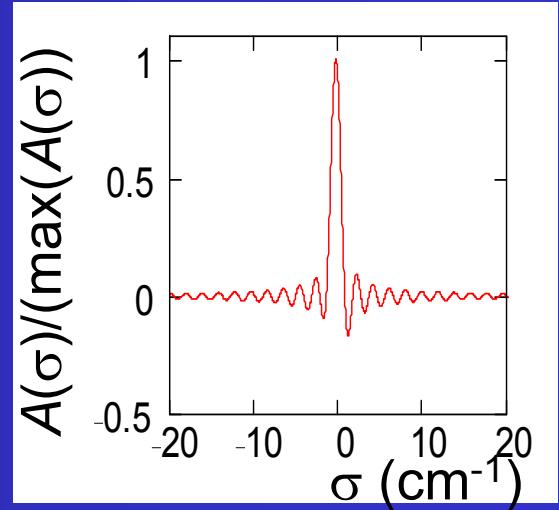
Model for the  
inherent ILS:

$$A_{inh}(\sigma, p_1..p_Q)$$



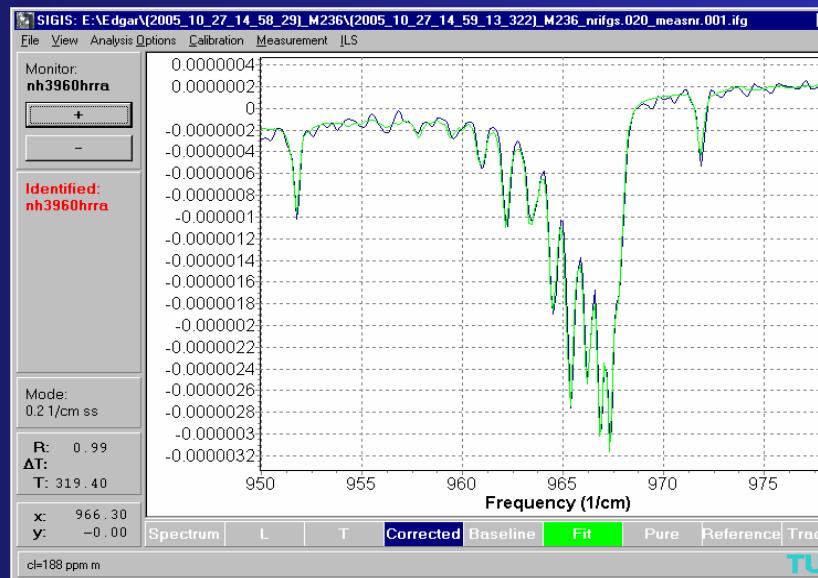
Real  
ILS:

$$A(\sigma)$$

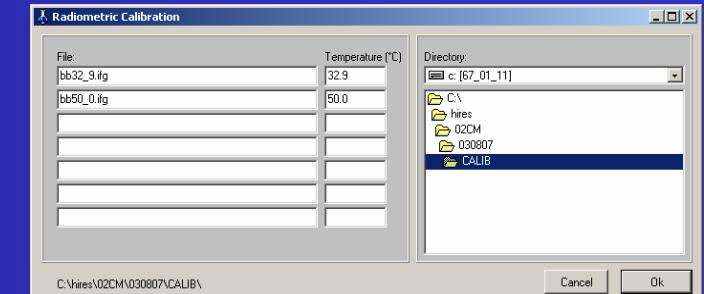


## ILS determination

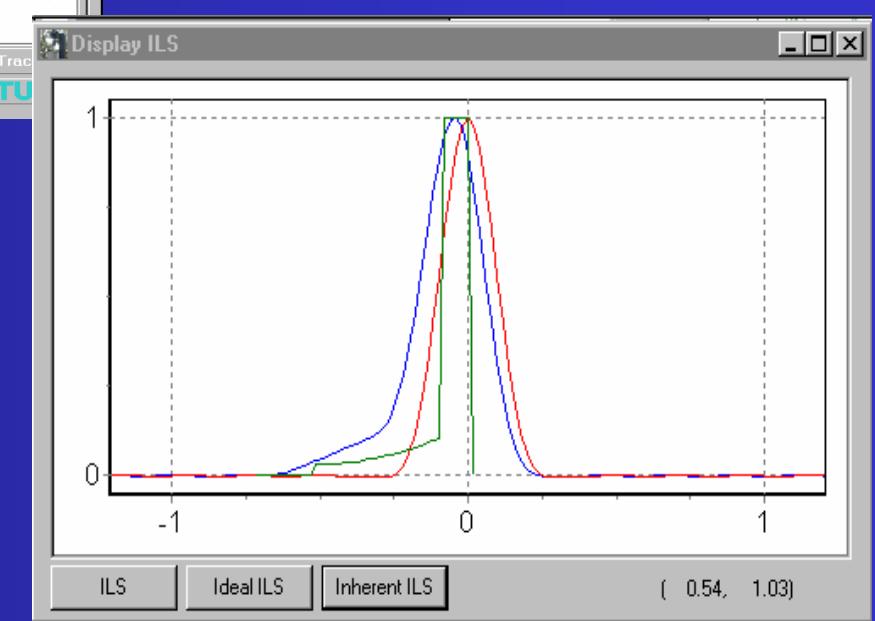
User Interface



Calibration



ILS Visualization



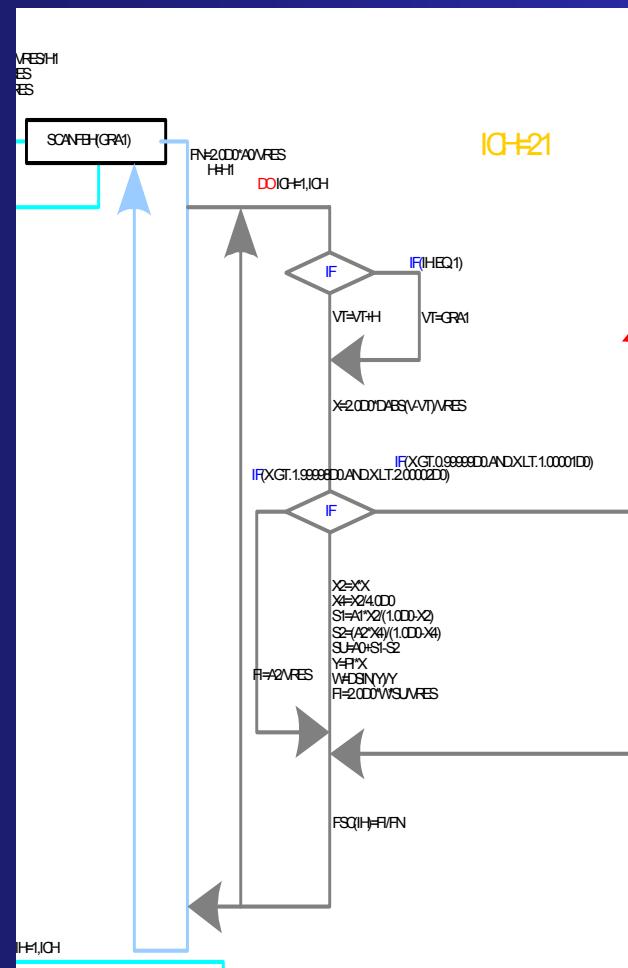
ILS Setup

Laser Wavenumber (Sampling)	15798.5	Sampling Spacing (nm)	633
Divergence (mrad)	0.721	Divergence (full angle) (mrad)	30
Detector Size (mm)	1	Focal length (mm)	33
Number of Samples	72000	FFT size	131072
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Spectral Resolution (1/2D)	0.14		
Wavenumber spacing	0.12		

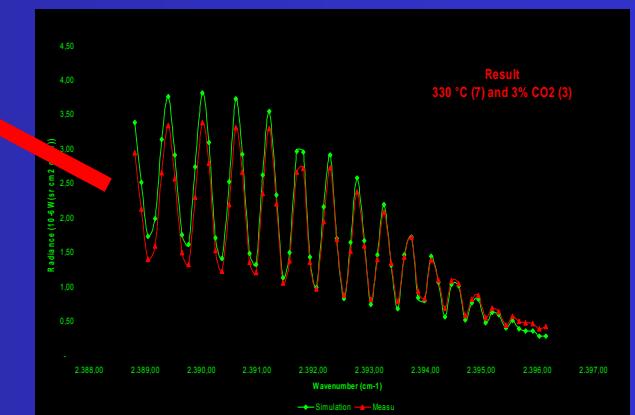
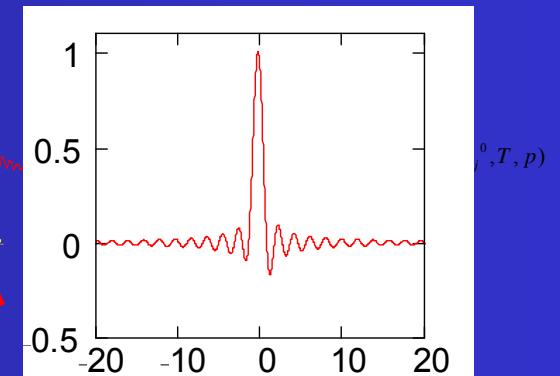
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## MAPS

INPUT



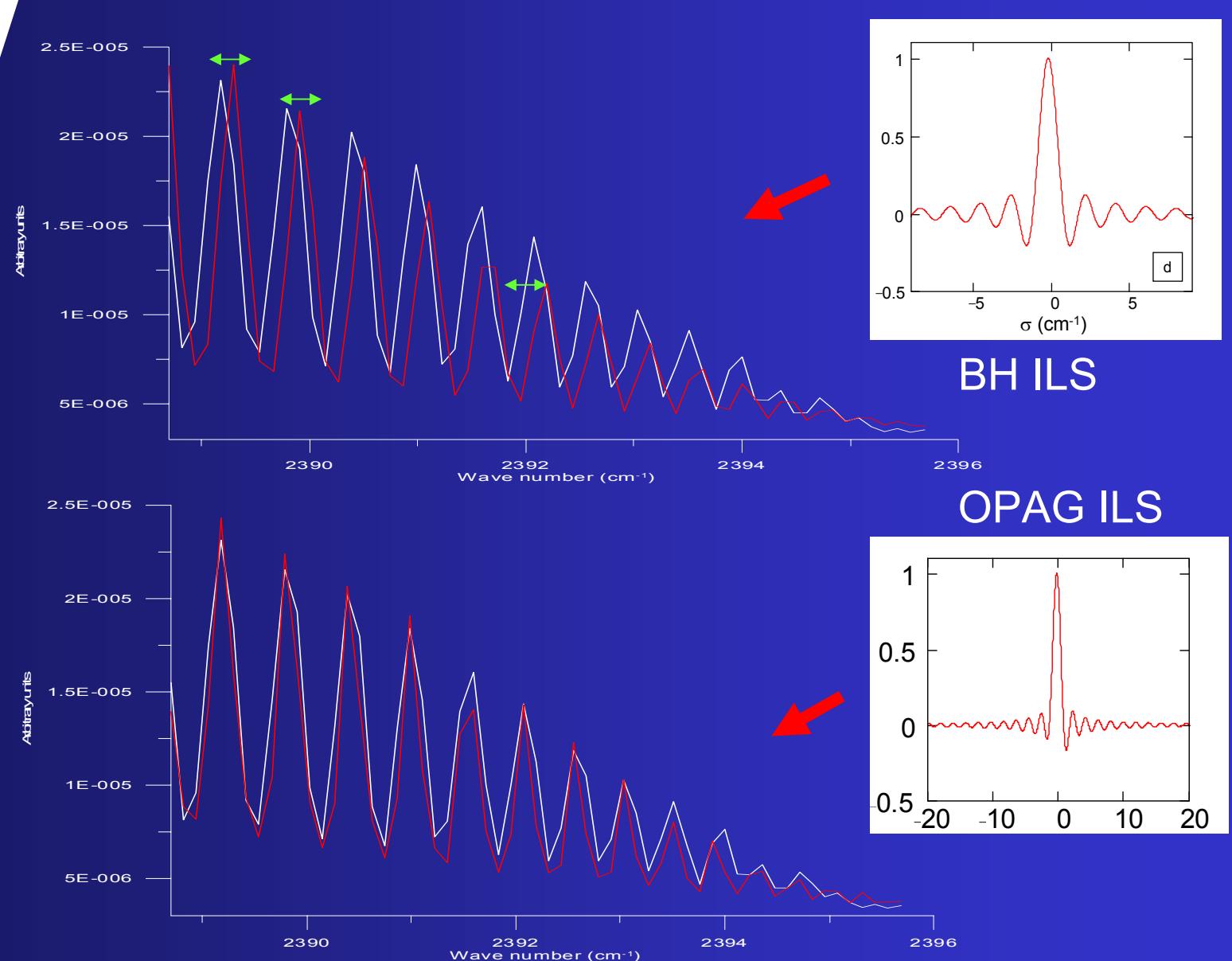
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ILS MODULE

$$k_i(\sigma, T, P) = \sum_j S_{ij}(T) f_{ij}((\sigma - \sigma_j^0), \sigma_j^0, T, p)$$

## Implementation



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