

High-accuracy radiation thermometry at the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt (PTB)

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Overview

- **Introduction**
- **Low- / mid-temperature calibration facility**
- **High-temperature calibration facility**
- **High-temperature eutectic fixed-points**
- **Summary**

Introduction

Temperature

- governs most production processes in industry
- crucial for optimized productivity and quality assurance

frequent measurement technique – radiation thermometry

- annual growth rate: more than 10%
- 600,000 radiation thermometers sold / year
- 15,000 thermography systems sold / year
- market volume: > 1 billion €

Introduction

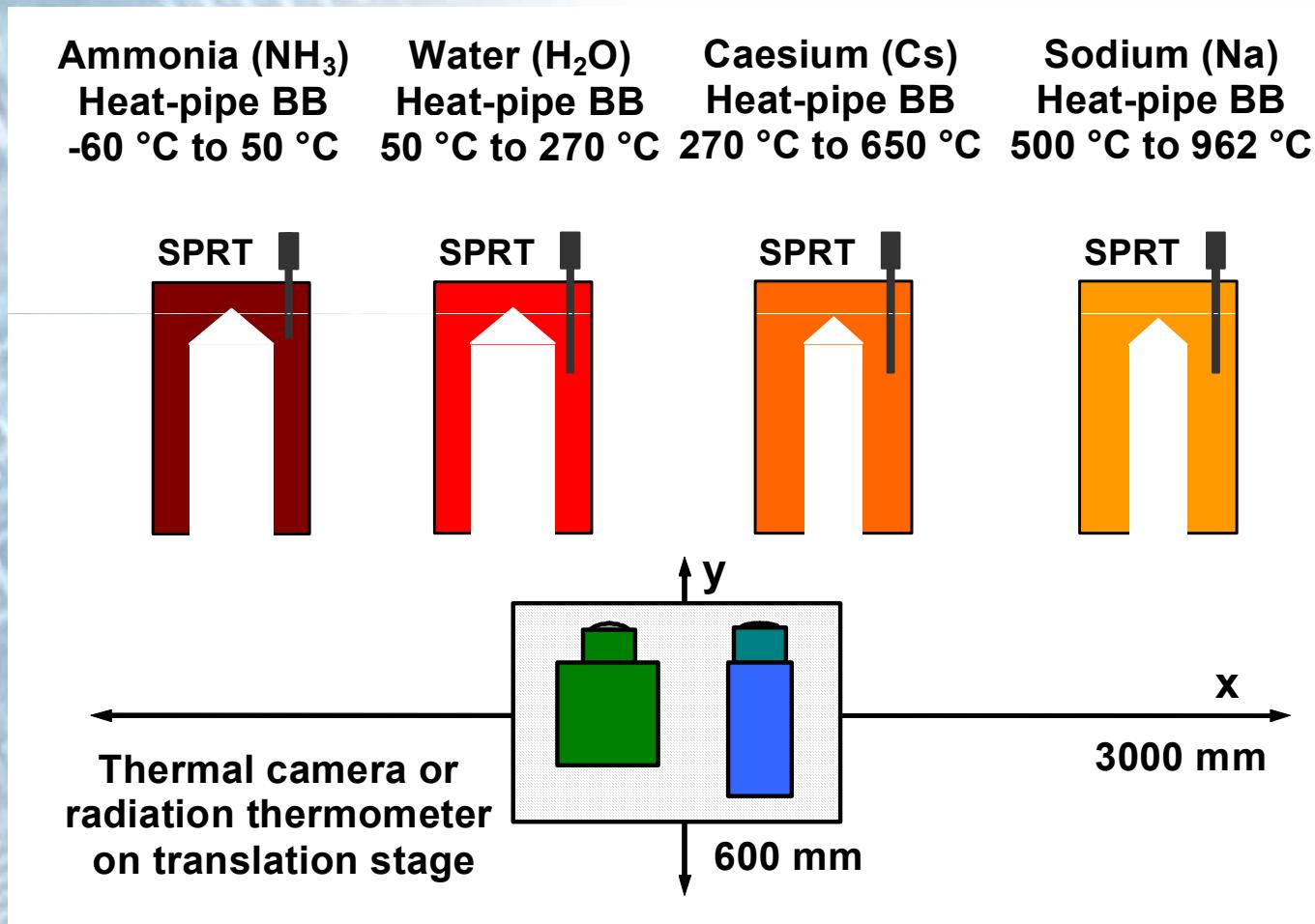
Increased demand of calibrations in the field of radiation thermometry

PTB operates two calibration facilities:

- **Low-/ mid-temperature calibration facility;**
temperature range: -60 °C to 962 °C
- **High temperature calibration facility;**
temperature range: 900 °C to 3000 °C
- **Realization and dissemination of radiation temperatures**

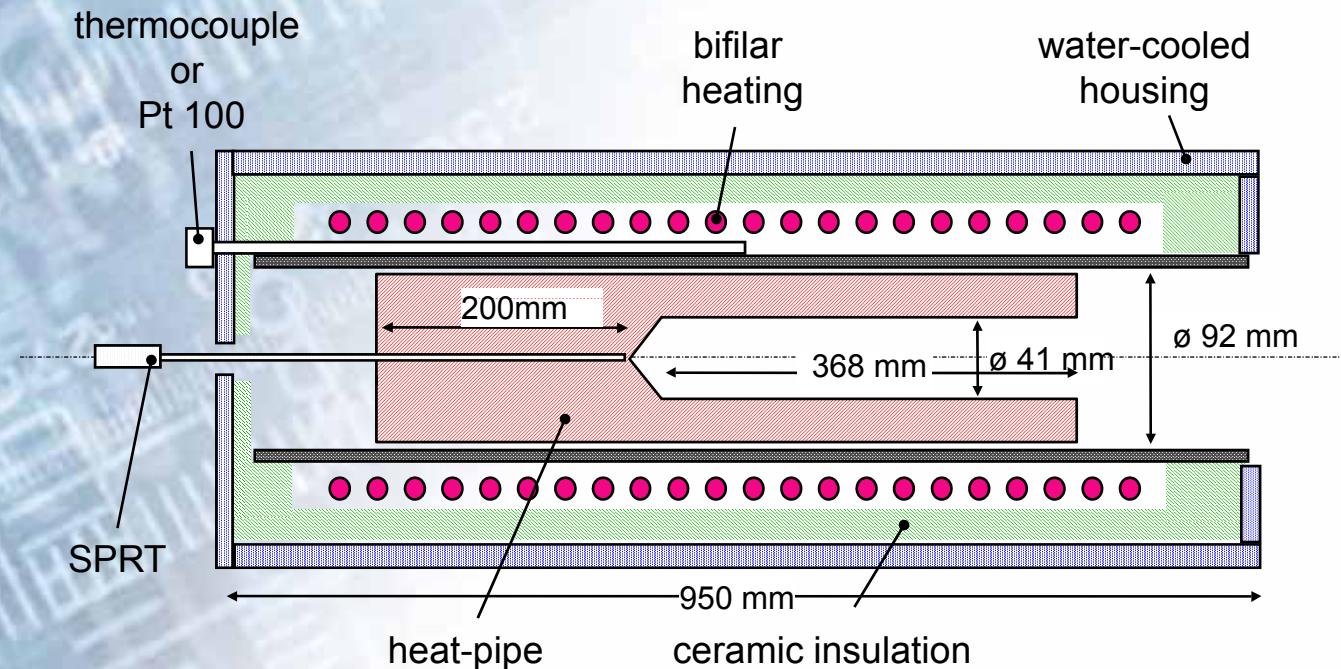
Low- / mid-temperature calibration facility

■ schematic view



Low- / mid-temperature calibration facility

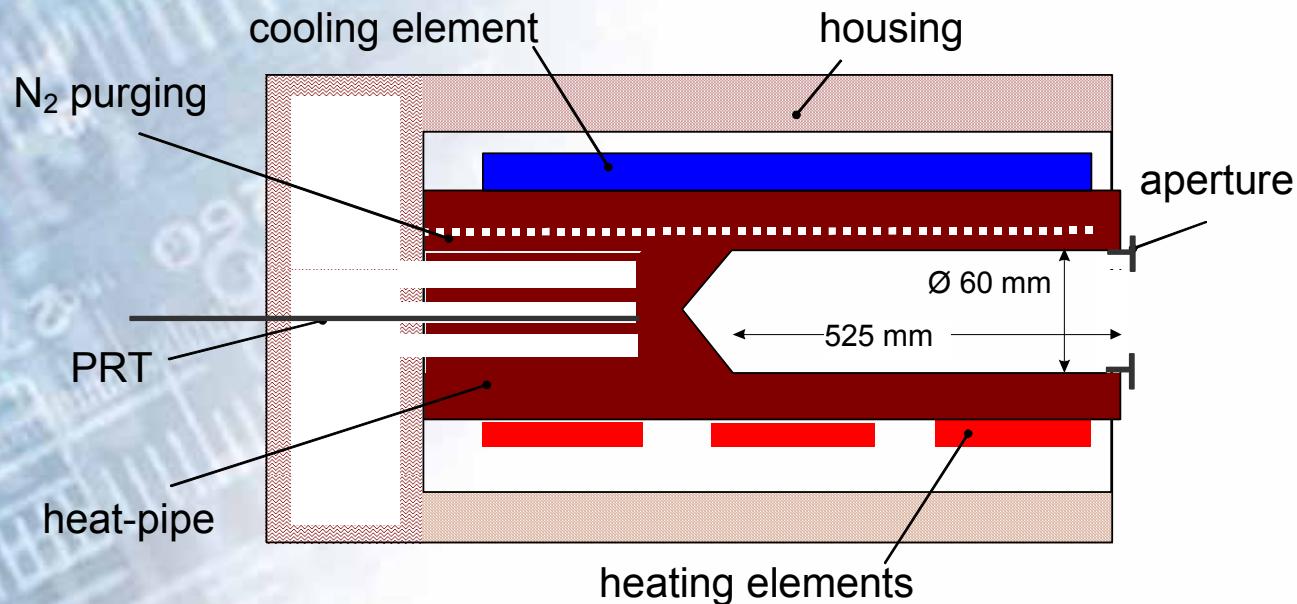
■ cross-section of sodium / cesium heat-pipe blackbody



- heater temporal stability: 0.1 K
- heat-pipe temperature stability: 10 mK

Low- / mid-temperature calibration facility

■ cross-section of H₂O / NH₃ heat-pipe blackbody



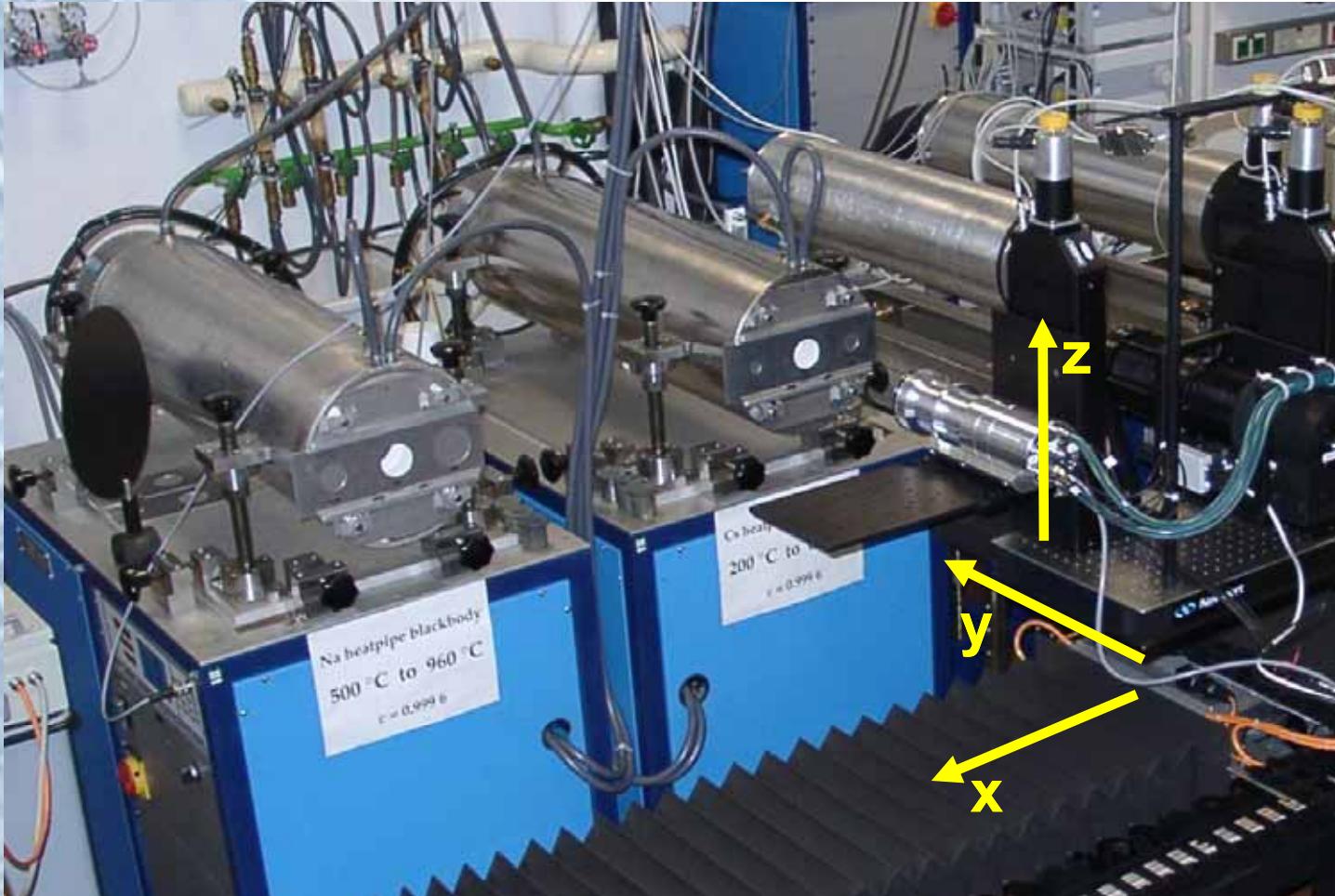
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Low- / mid-temperature calibration facility

PTB heat-pipe blackbodies

Blackbody	Temperature range / °C	Cavity diameter / mm	Cavity Emissivity
NH ₃ -BB	-60 to 50	60	0.99990 ± 0.00006
H ₂ O-BB	50 to 270	60	0.99980 ± 0.00015
Cs-BB	270 to 650	41	0.99960 ± 0.00017
Na-BB	500 to 962	41	0.99960 ± 0.00017

Low- / mid-temperature calibration facility



Low- / mid-temperature calibration facility

■ radiation temperature standard uncertainties ($k=1$)

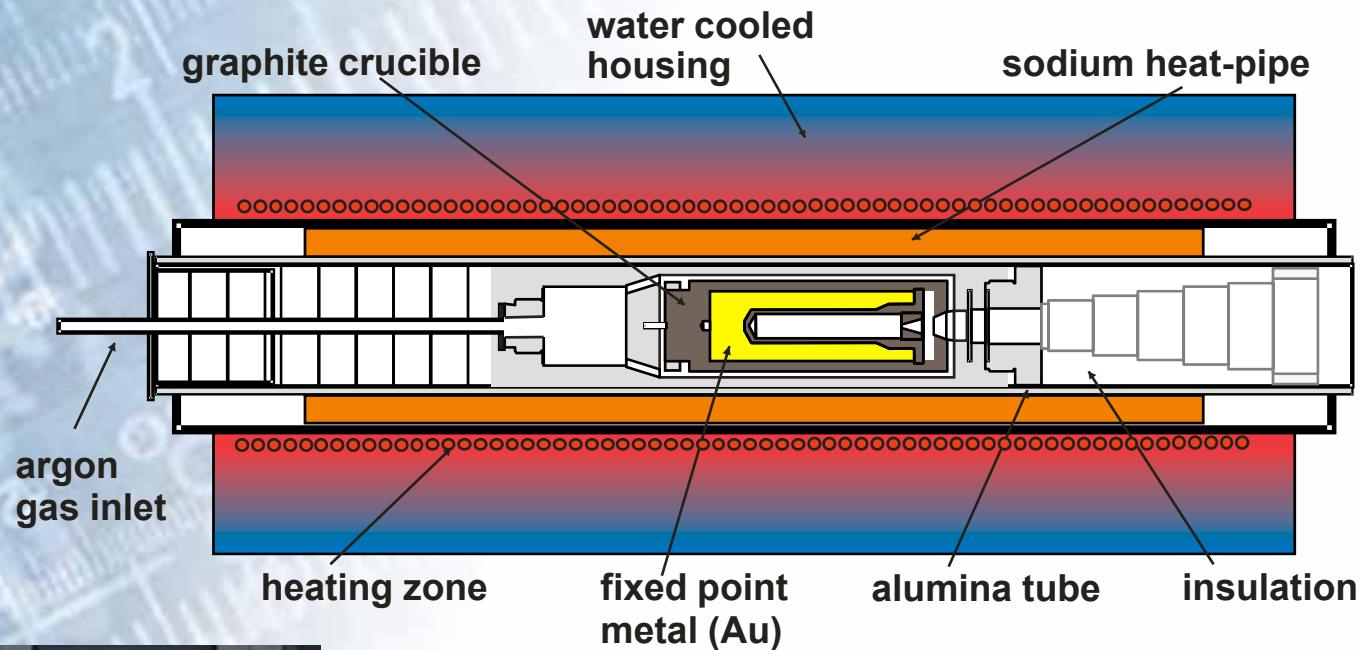
Radiation temperature / °C	Uncertainty of radiation temperature / °C	1.6 μm	3.9 μm	10 μm
-60			0.1	0.035
0		0.035	0.035	0.035
50		0.035	0.035	0.035
100		0.035	0.035	0.035
200		0.08	0.08	0.08
300		0.1	0.10	0.10
400		0.02	0.03	0.05
600		0.03	0.05	0.08
800		0.06	0.07	0.11
960		0.08	0.10	0.14

High temperature scale

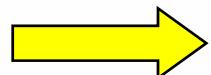
Realization and dissemination of radiation temperature scale above the Ag-FP (961.78 °C):

- Gold fixed-point (Au-FP) blackbody radiator: 1064.18 °C
- High temperature blackbody (HTBB):
variable temperature, 900 °C to 3000 °C
- High quality transfer standard radiation thermometers (LP3)
- Tungsten strip lamps operated as radiation temperature standards

Gold fixed-point blackbody

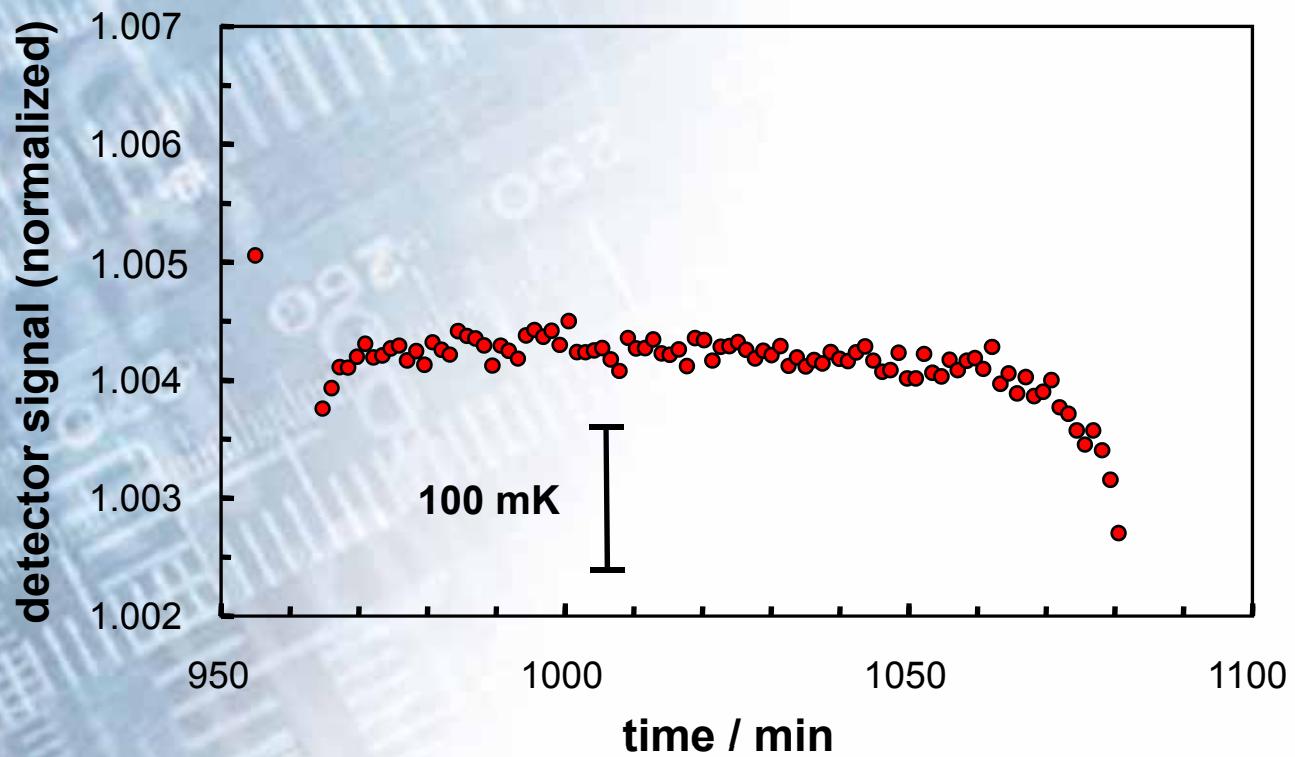


- heat-pipe based design
- cavity aperture diameter: 3 mm
- $\varepsilon = 0.99999$
- large fixed-point material amount (~ 3 kg Au)

 excellent performance

Gold fixed-point blackbody

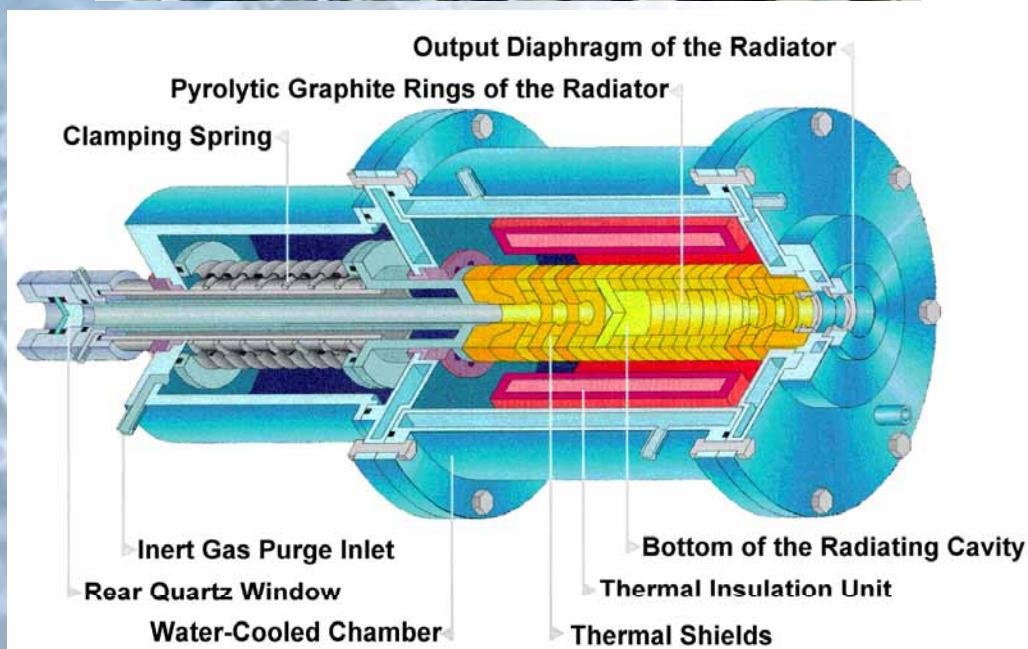
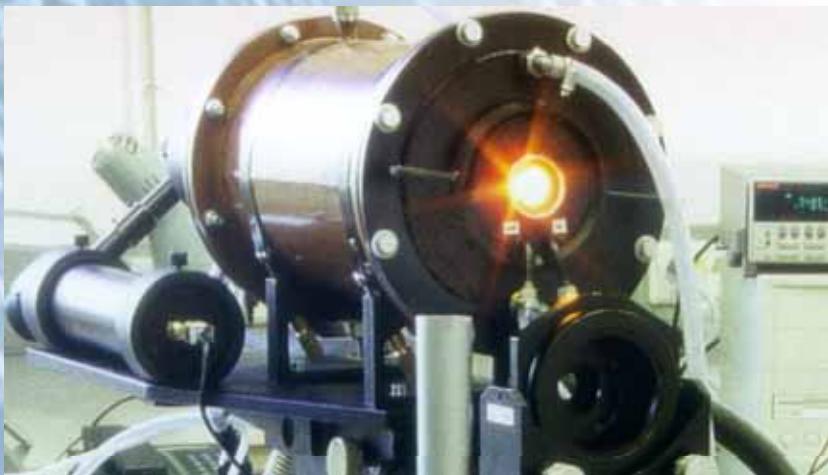
- freezing plateau



- freezing plateau duration: ~ 90 minutes
- temperature stability: ~ 10 mK

but: limitation to one temperature: 1337.33 K !

High Temperature Blackbody (HTBB 3200pg)



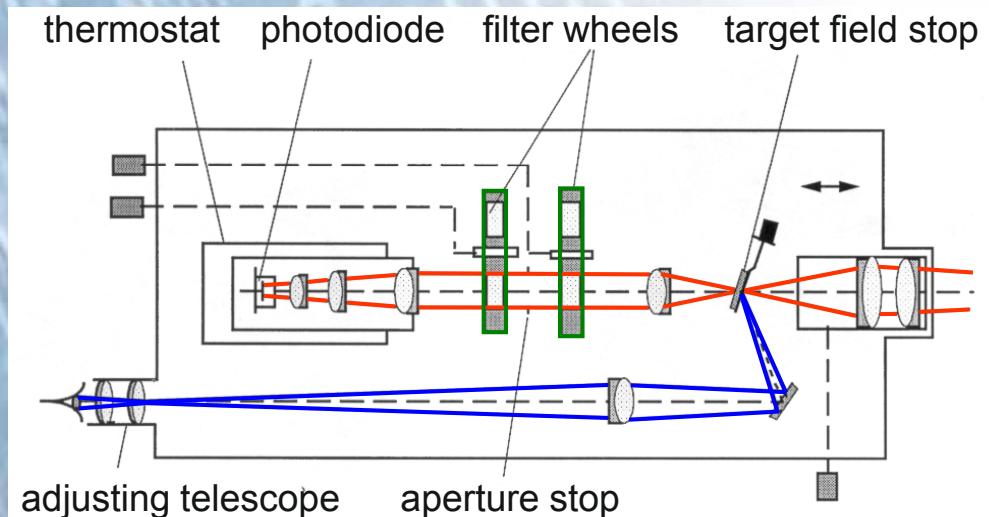
PTB primary standard

- Radiation temperature above the Ag-FP
- Spectral radiance

- directly Joule-heated cavity (DC, 700 A max.)
- operating temperature range: **1000 K to 3200 K**
- temporal stability: better than 250 mK
- large aperture diameter : 20 mm
- $\varepsilon = 0.999 \pm 0.001$

Linear pyrometer LP3

■ schematic view



Transfer radiation thermometer for:

- International scale comparisons
- Internal high-temperature scale dissemination

Main characteristics:

- $\lambda_{\text{eff}} = 650 \text{ nm} (950 \text{ nm})$
- Temperature range: $800 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $2900 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- FOV: $0.8 \text{ mm } \varnothing$ at 690 mm
- Good stability and linearity
- Small SSE

$$I_{\text{photo}}(T) = C \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{c_2}{A \cdot T + B}\right)$$

Standard uncertainty:

$0.3 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ at $800 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
to
 $1.0 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ at $2900 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

High temperature scale – realization and dissemination

Radiation temperature CALIBRATION ARTEFACT

COMPARISON / DISSEMINATION

Radi-

T_{90} (

radiance

BODY

filter radiometry)

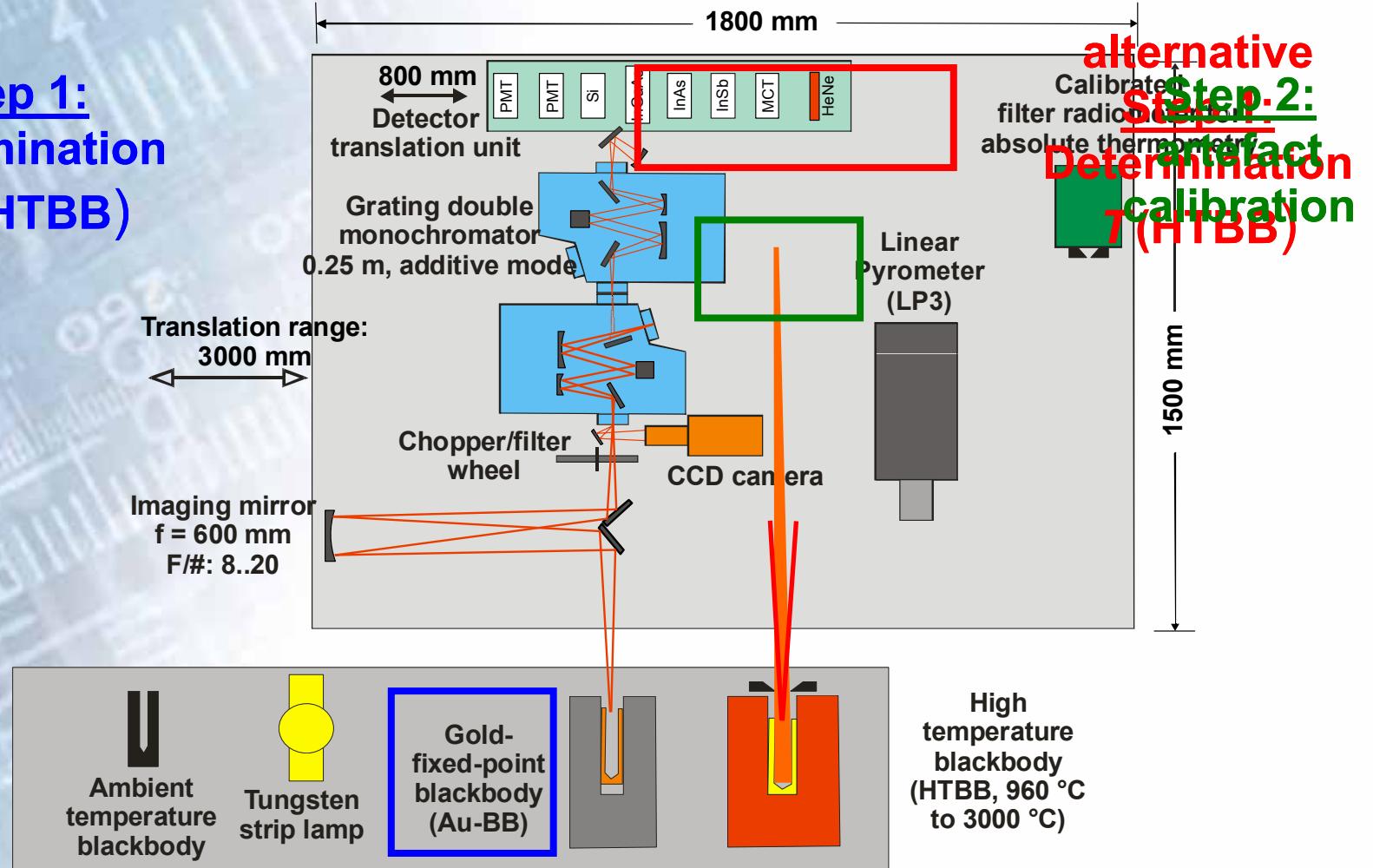
Temperature T
PRIMARY STANDARD
GOLD-FIXED-POINT
BLACKBODY (Au BB)

Detector Φ
PRIMARY STANDARD
CRYOGENIC
RADIOMETER



Spectral radiance comparator facility

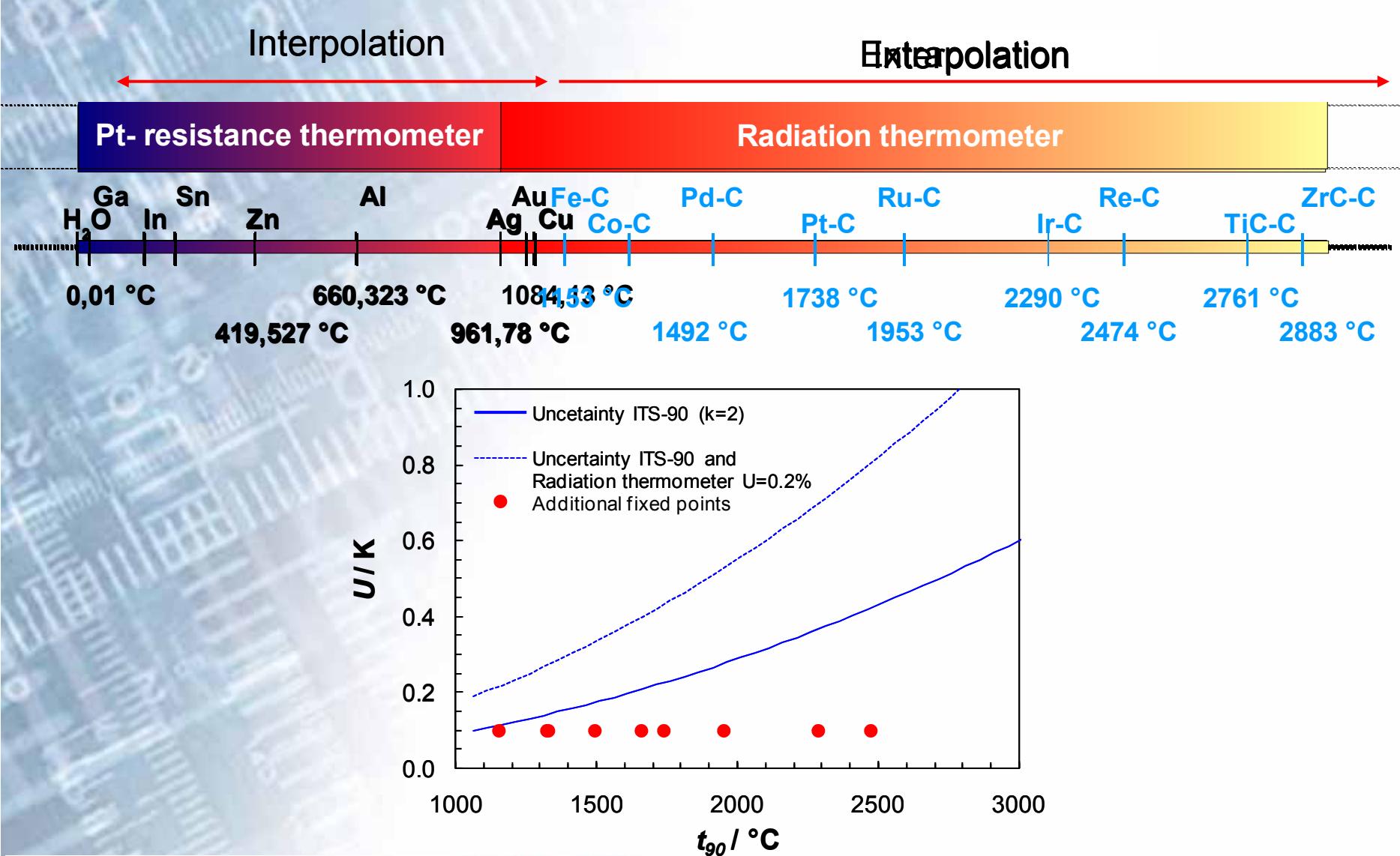
Step 1:
Determination
 T_{90} (HTBB)



Spectral Radiance Comparator Facility



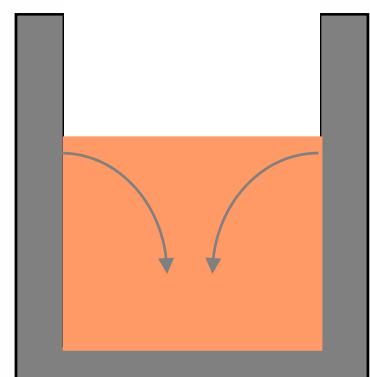
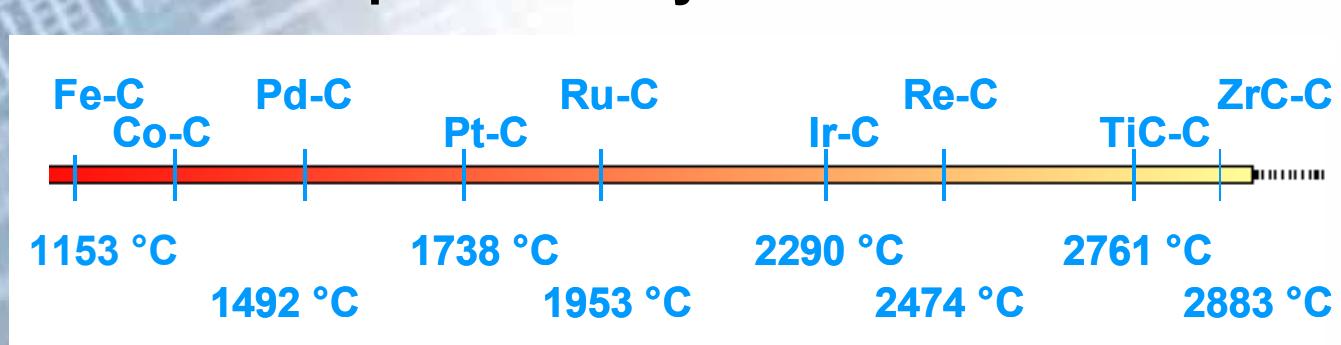
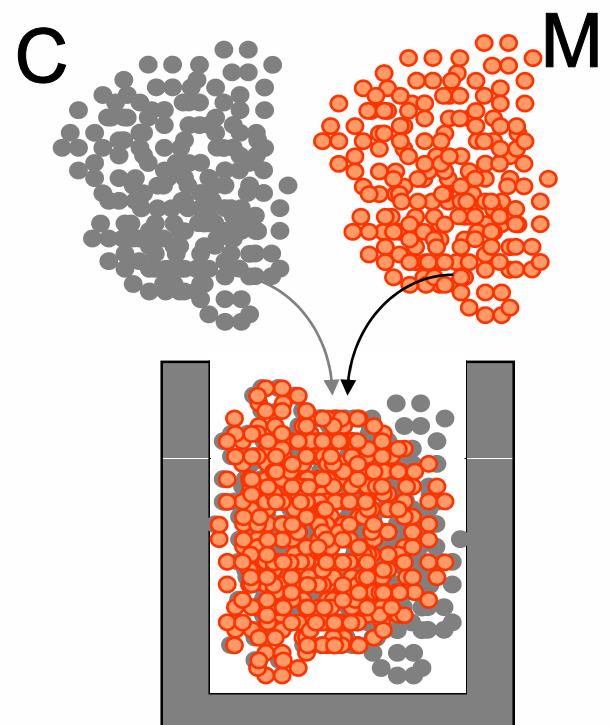
ITS-90 and high-temperature fixed points



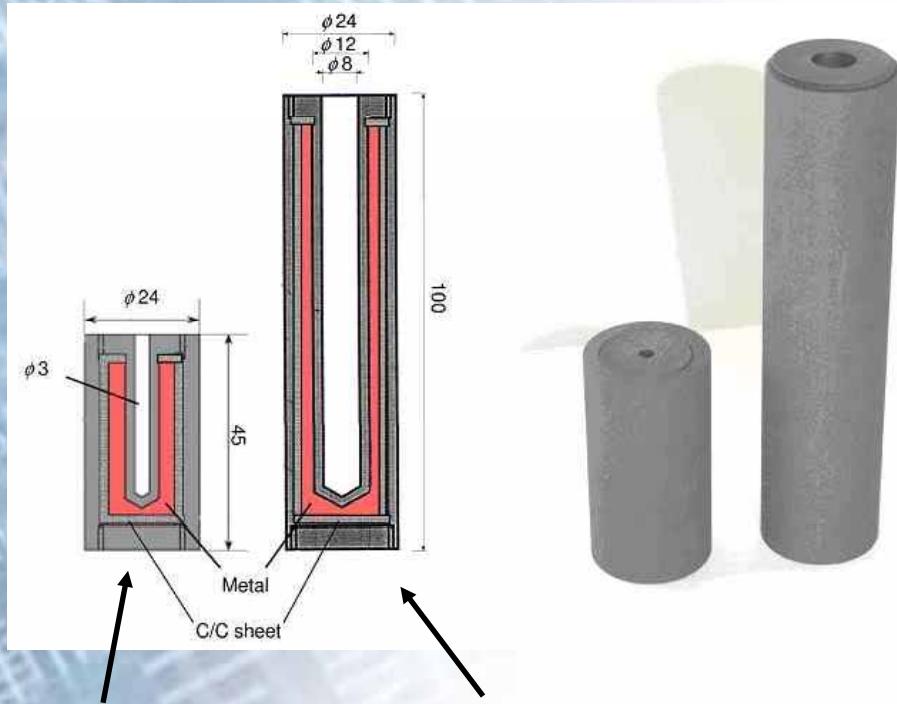
Eutectic fixed-point blackbodies

Metal-Carbon-Fixed points in graphite crucibles

- + crucible material is part of the fixed point material
- + no contamination through crucible material
- + higher stability
- + better reproducibility



Design / construction of eutectic fixed-point blackbodies



3 mm ϕ cavity:
radiation
thermometry

8 mm ϕ cavity:
radiometry,
photometry

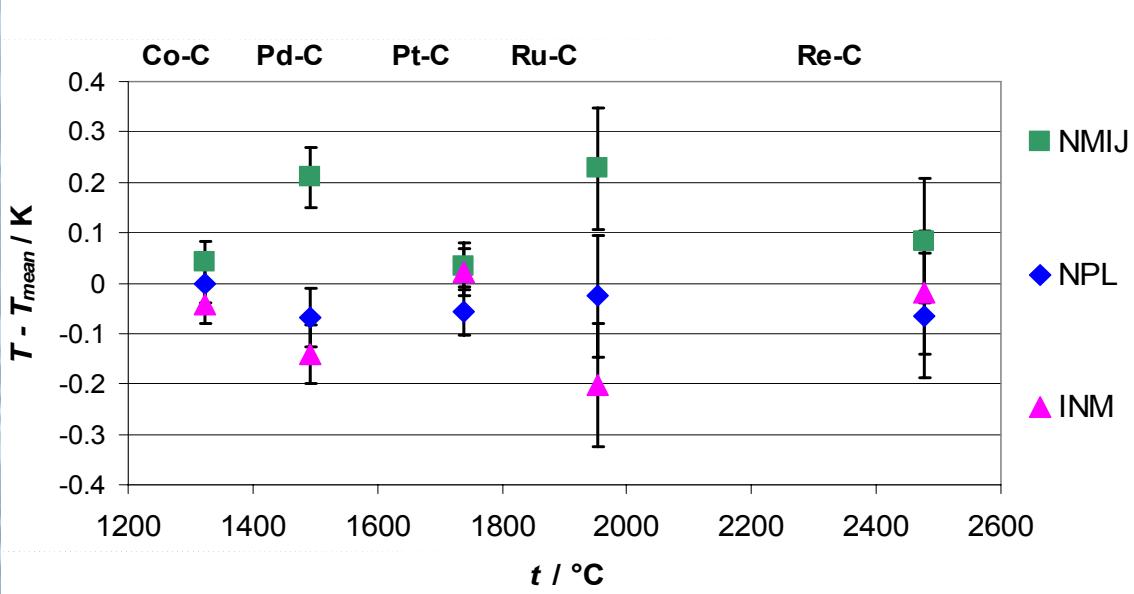
Both fixed-point cells designs have:

- the same outer diameter
- the same length/diameter ratio of the cavity
- a calculated emissivity 0.9997
- several layers of C/C sheet insulation

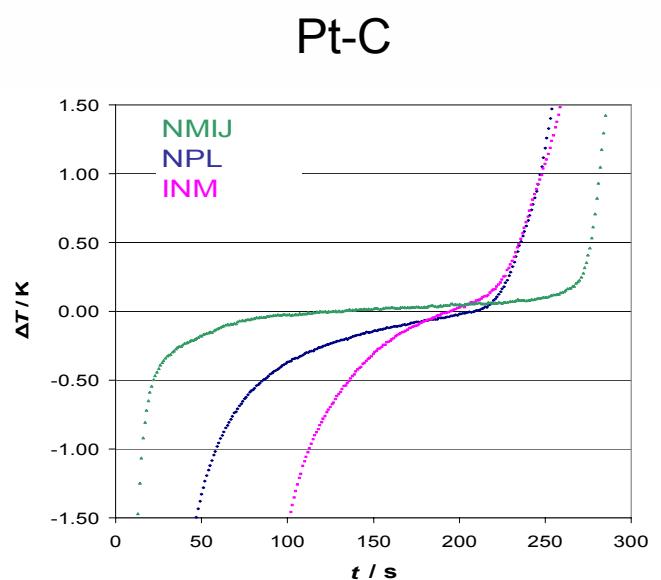
Anhalt et al. (2008)

Large- and small-aperture fixed-point cells of Cu, Pt-C, and Re-C
International Journal of Thermophysics, 29(3), pp. 969 - 983.

Eutectic fixed-point cell relative comparison

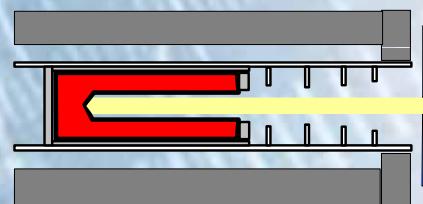


2 identical furnaces
2 radiation thermometer LP3
15 fixed point cells
(NMIJ, BNM-INM, NPL)

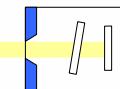


- ➡️ reproducibility single cell: < 50 mK
- ➡️ difference T_{melt} Co-C, Pt-C, Re-C: ~ 200 mK
- ➡️ difference T_{melt} Pd-C, Ru-C: ~ 400 mK

Thermodynamic temperature determination



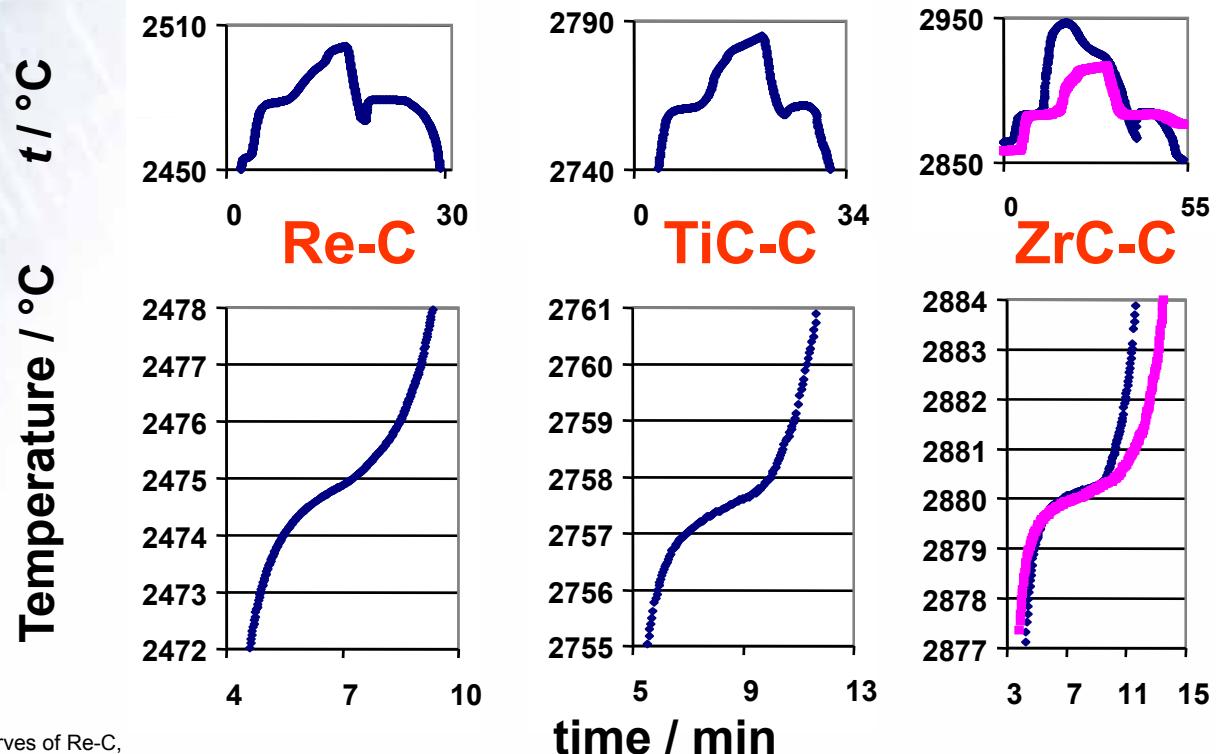
3 mm precision
aperture



Filter
radiometer

Reproducibility
0.2 K – 0.5 K

**Measurement
uncertainty**
 $k=2$, 0.6 K – 1.2 K

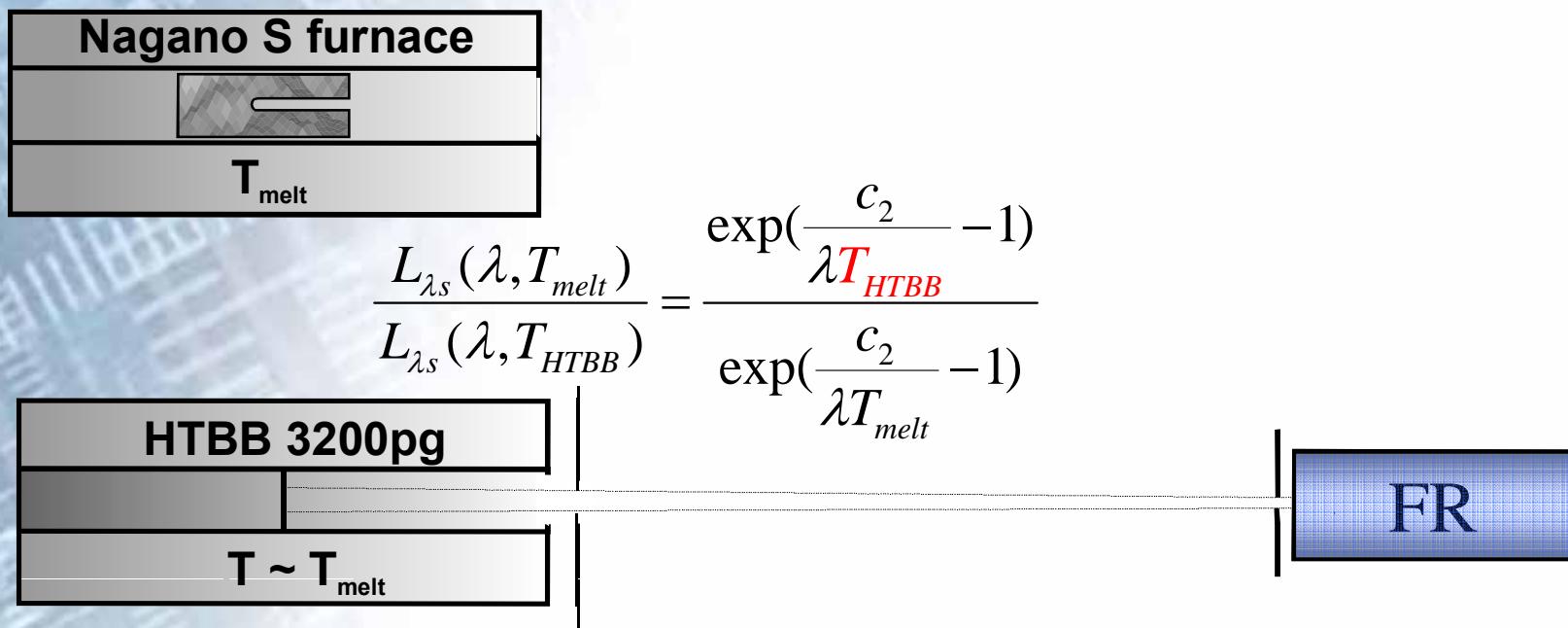


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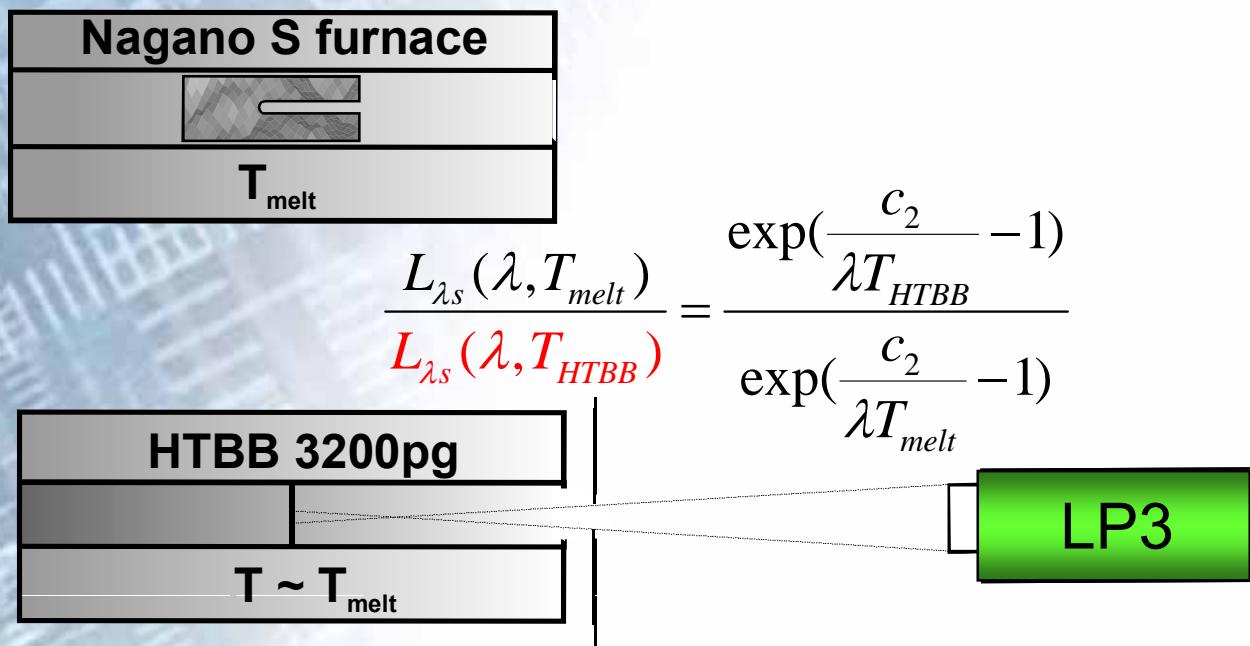
Thermodynamic temperature determination

- **radiance comparison method**
 1. HTBB temperature $\sim T_{\text{melt}}$
 2. Measurement of thermodynamic temperature of HTBB with FR



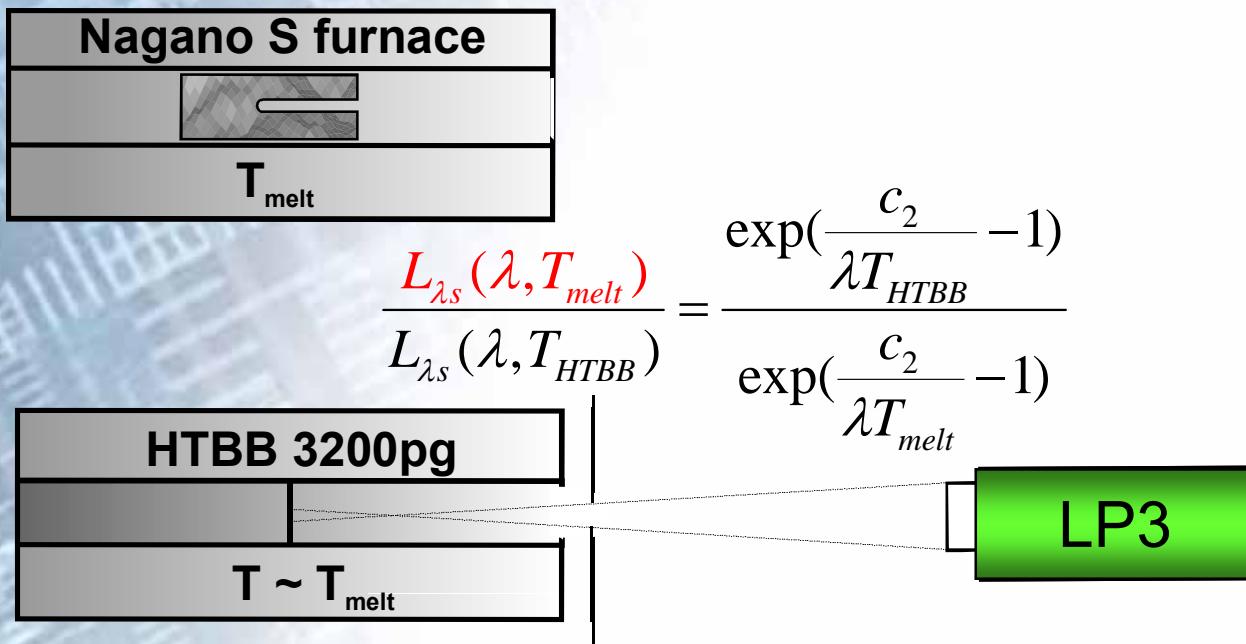
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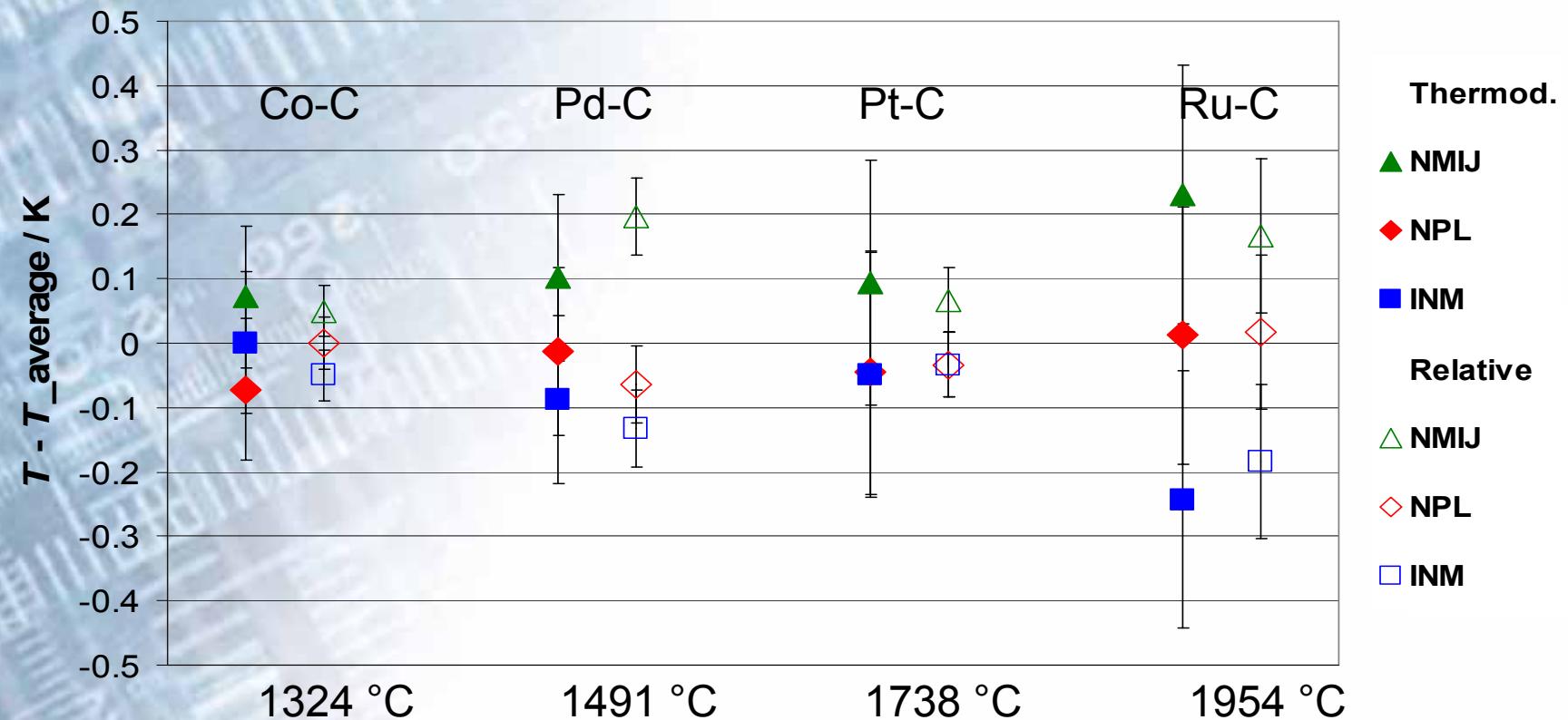


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 4. Spectral radiance measurement of the eutectic cell in the Nagano furnace with the LP3



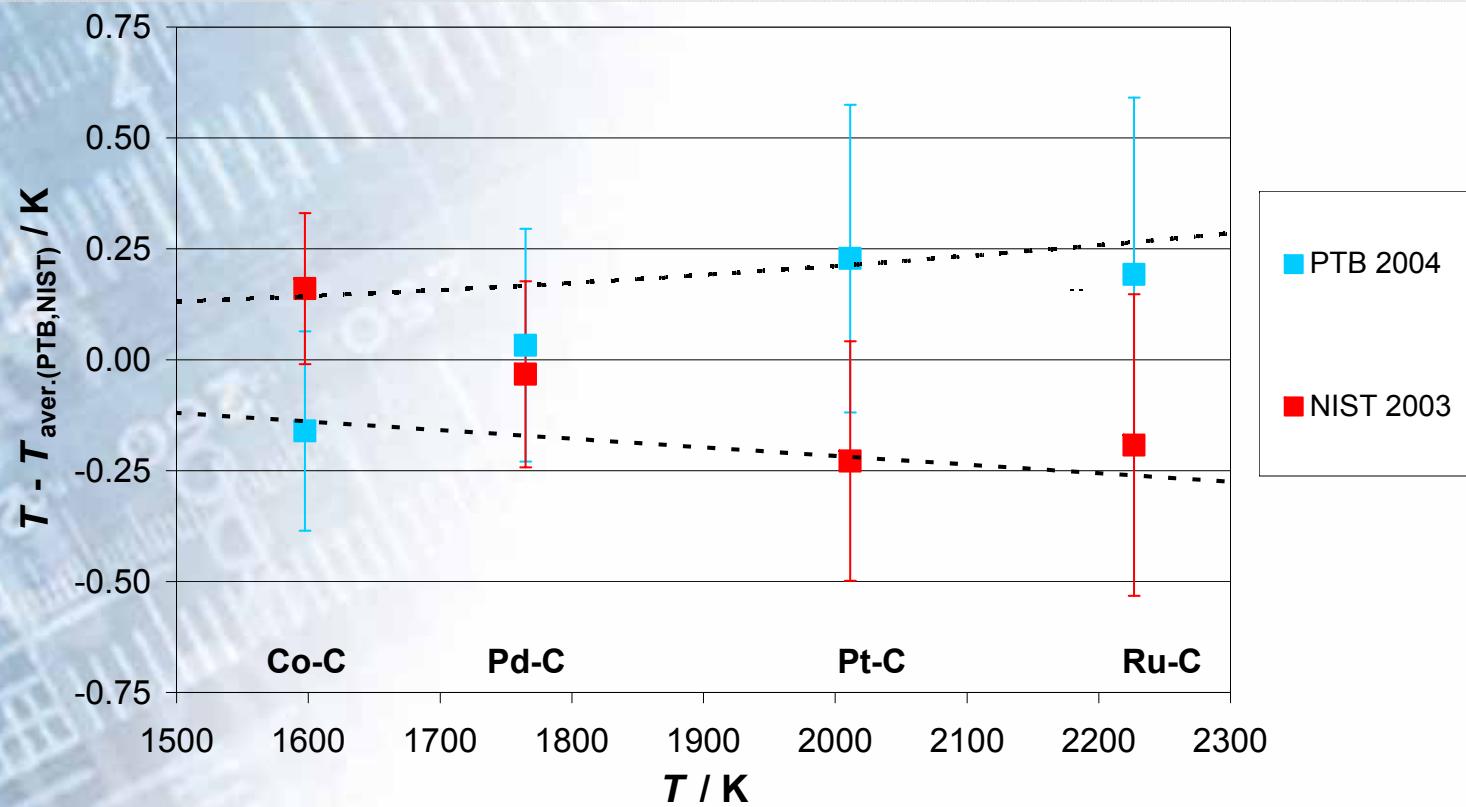
Thermodynamic temperature determination / relative comparison



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Thermodynamic temperature determinations of Co-C, Pd-C, Pt-C and Ru-C eutectic fixed-point cells
Metrologia, 43, 2006, pp. S78-S83

Absolute temperature comparison NIST – PTB using NPL cells



	PTB	$U, k=2$	NIST	$U, k=2$	PTB-NIST	$U(\text{PTB/NIST}), k=2$
Co-C	1597.16	0.22	1597.43	0.17	-0.27	0.28
Pd-C	1765.02	0.27	1764.95	0.21	0.12	0.34
Pt-C	2011.67	0.32	2011.21	0.27	0.53	0.42
Ru-C	2227.12	0.41	2226.74	0.34	0.48	0.52

Summary

- **PTB instrumentation and experimental techniques for the realization and dissemination of the temperature scale with optical methods**
- Low-/ mid-temperature calibration facility: -60 °C to 962 °C
High temperature calibration facility: 962 °C to 3000 °C
- Standard uncertainty of the disseminated radiation temperature:
 - 40 mK at - 60 °C
 - 10 mK at the Au-FP (1064.18 °C)
 - 1000 mK at 3000 °C
- Achievable standard uncertainties for radiation thermometer calibrations:
 - 60 mK at - 60 °C
 - 30 mK at 400 °C
 - 1000 mK at 3000 °C
- **PTB meets all industrial requirements in the range from -60 °C to 3000 °C**

Emissivity determination at the PTB in the temperature range from 0 °C to 600 °C

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Outline

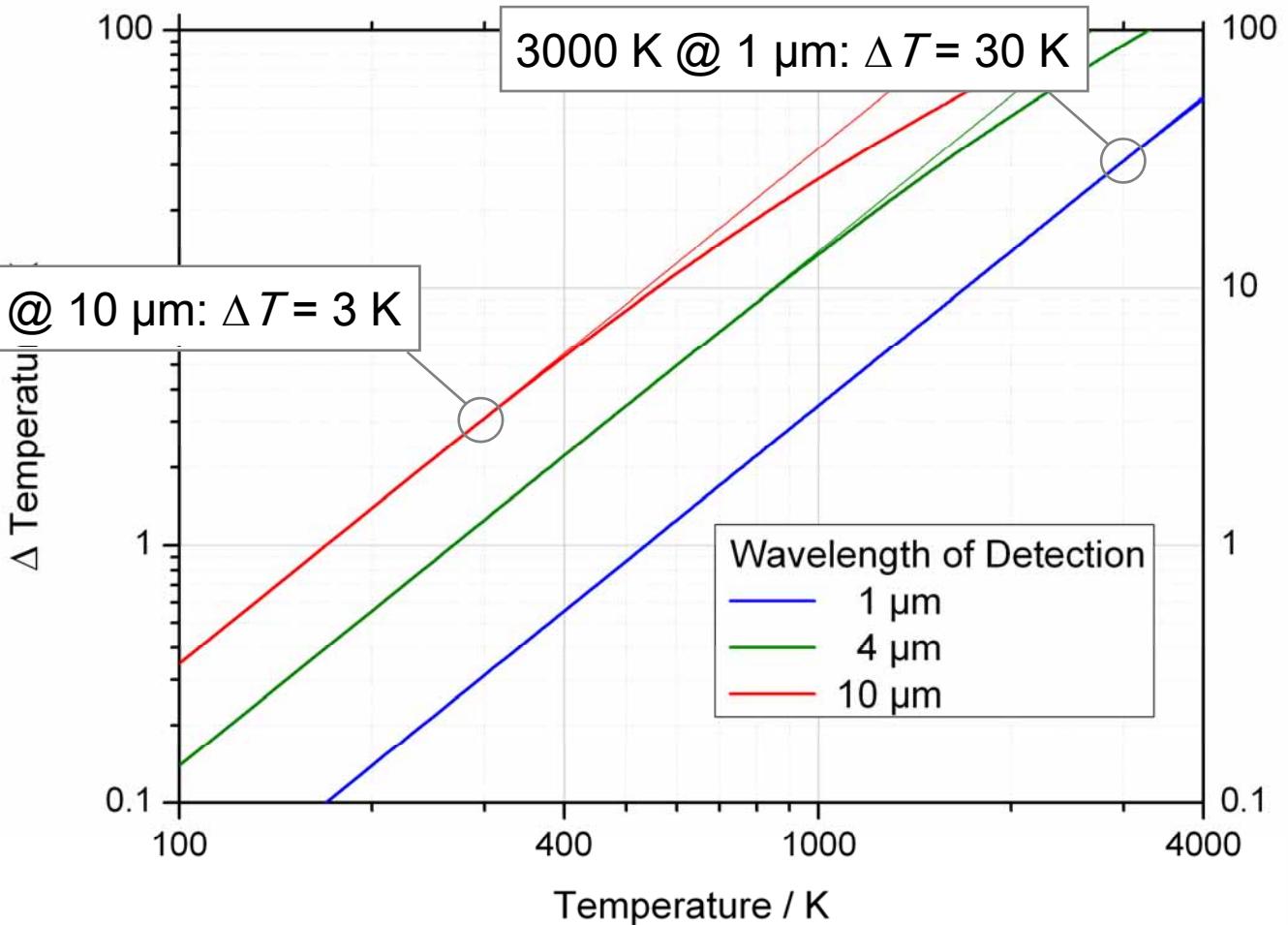
- Motivation for an accurate emissivity determination
- Experimental setup for emissivity measurement in air
- Uncertainty
- New experimental setup for emissivity measurement under vacuum
- Summary

Motivation

$$\Delta T \approx \frac{\lambda \cdot T^2}{C_2} \cdot \frac{\Delta \varepsilon}{\varepsilon}$$

300 K @ 10 μm: $\Delta T = 3 \text{ K}$

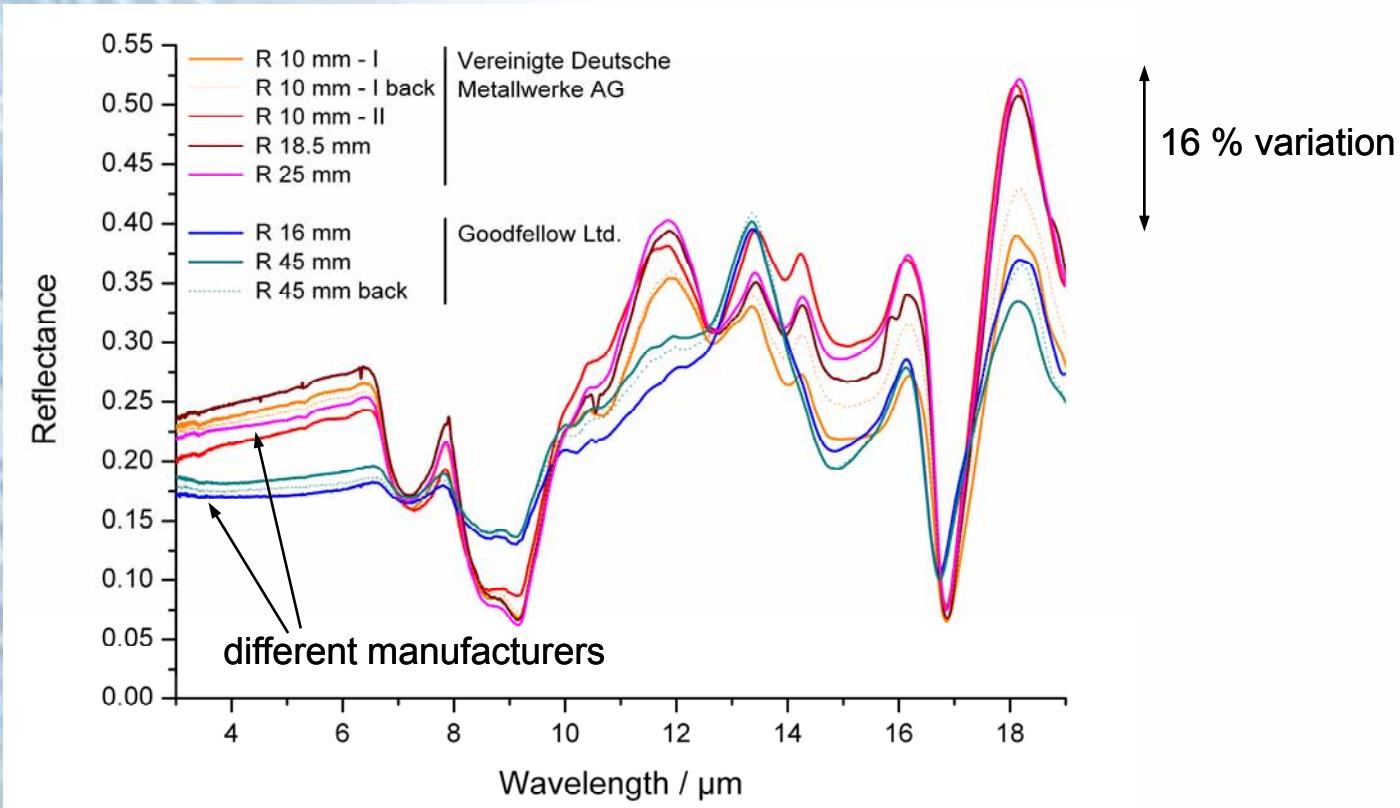
Temperature Error resulting from 5% Emissivity Error



Motivation

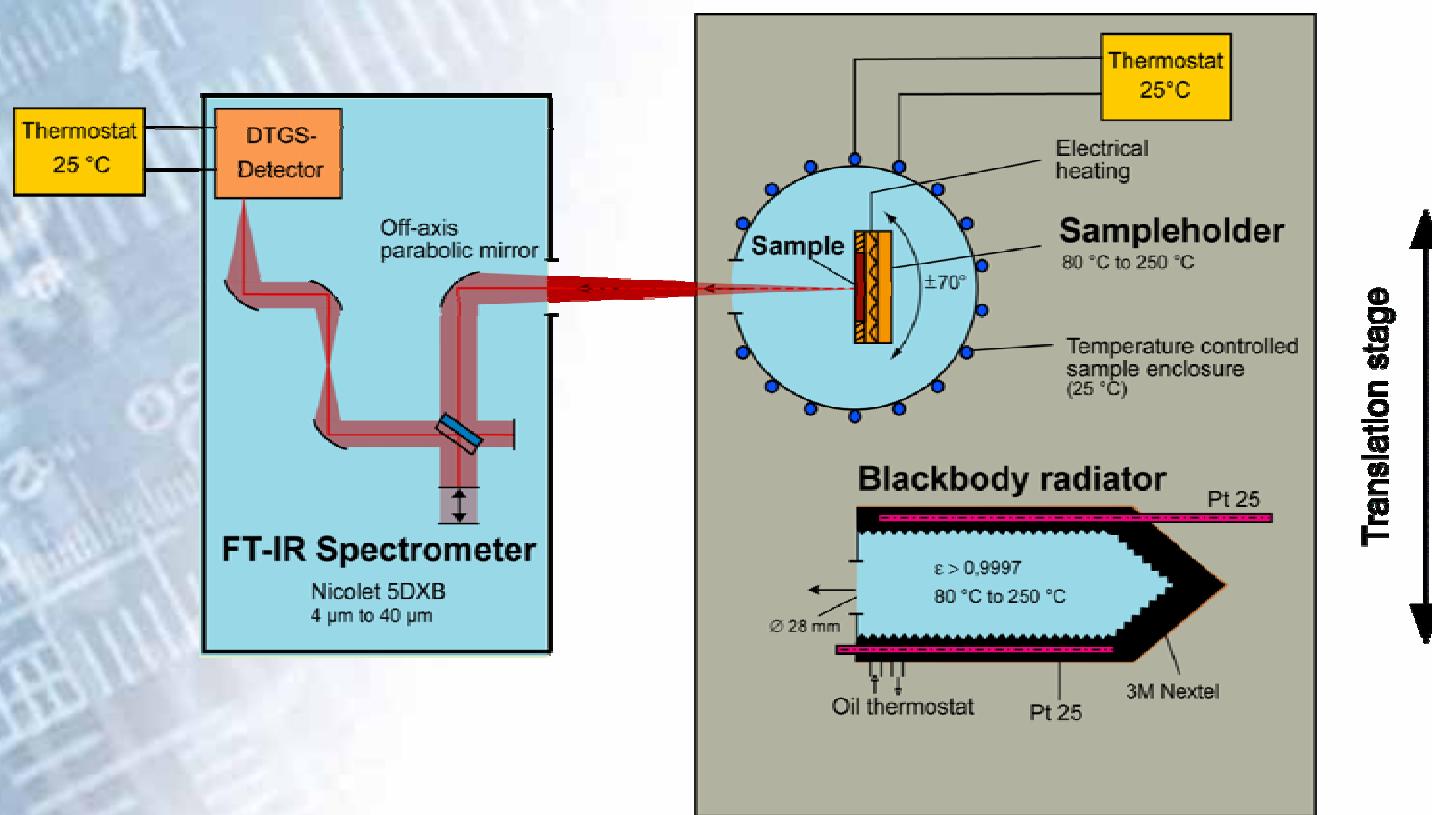
Variability of INCONEL 600 samples

- Preparatory work for the spectral emissivity pilot study of CCT-WG9
- Identical sample preparation, two different sample manufacturers



Only **individual** emissivity determination allows an accurate temperature measurement

Spectral emissivity measurement in air - setup



Measurement principle:

- Ratio of the spectral radiance of the sample / spectral radiance of the reference blackbody
- Radiance of the detector / surrounding
- Reflectivity of the sample

Spectral emissivity measurement ranges (air)

Temperature range:

80 °C to 430 °C

Wavelength range:

4 µm to 40 µm (2500 cm⁻¹ to 250 cm⁻¹)

Direction of observation:

0° to 70°

Size of measured area:

circular, 10 mm diameter

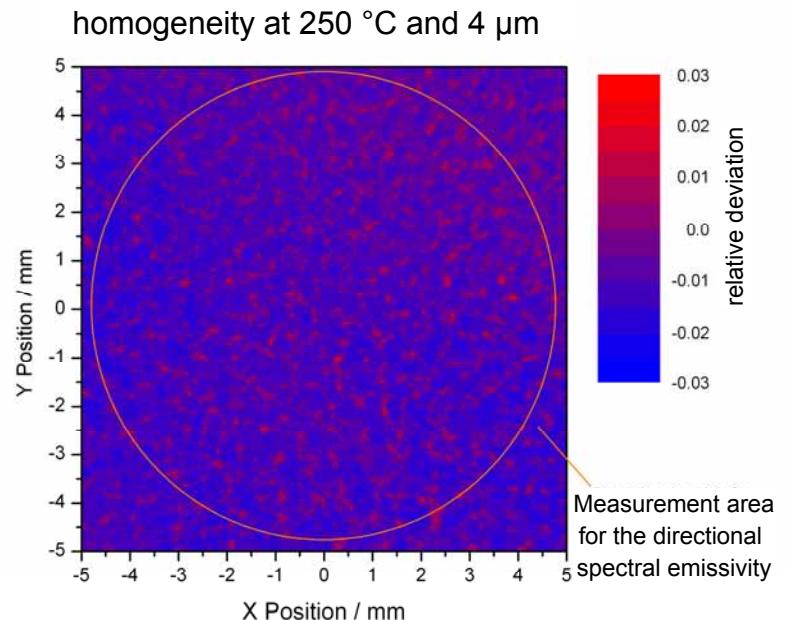
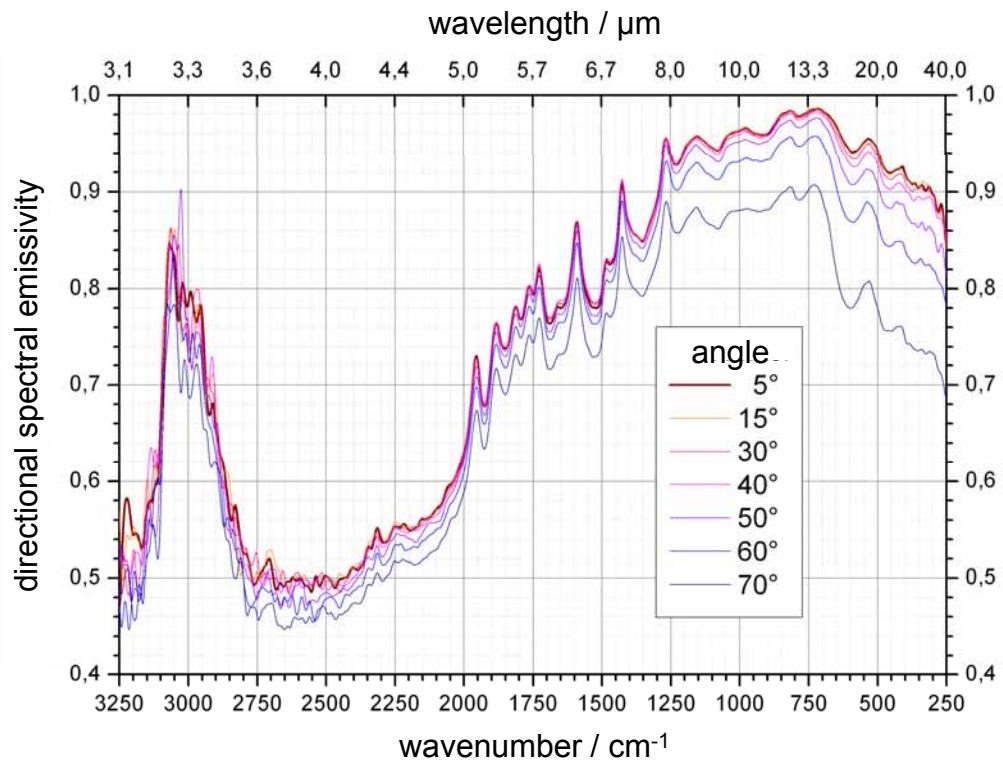
Acceptance angle of the optics: +/- 3°, NA 0.05

Homogeneity (camera):

circular measurement area,
20 mm diameter

The **directional total emissivity** and the **hemispherical emissivity**
are calculated from the **directional spectral emissivity**

Spectral emissivity measurement in air - example

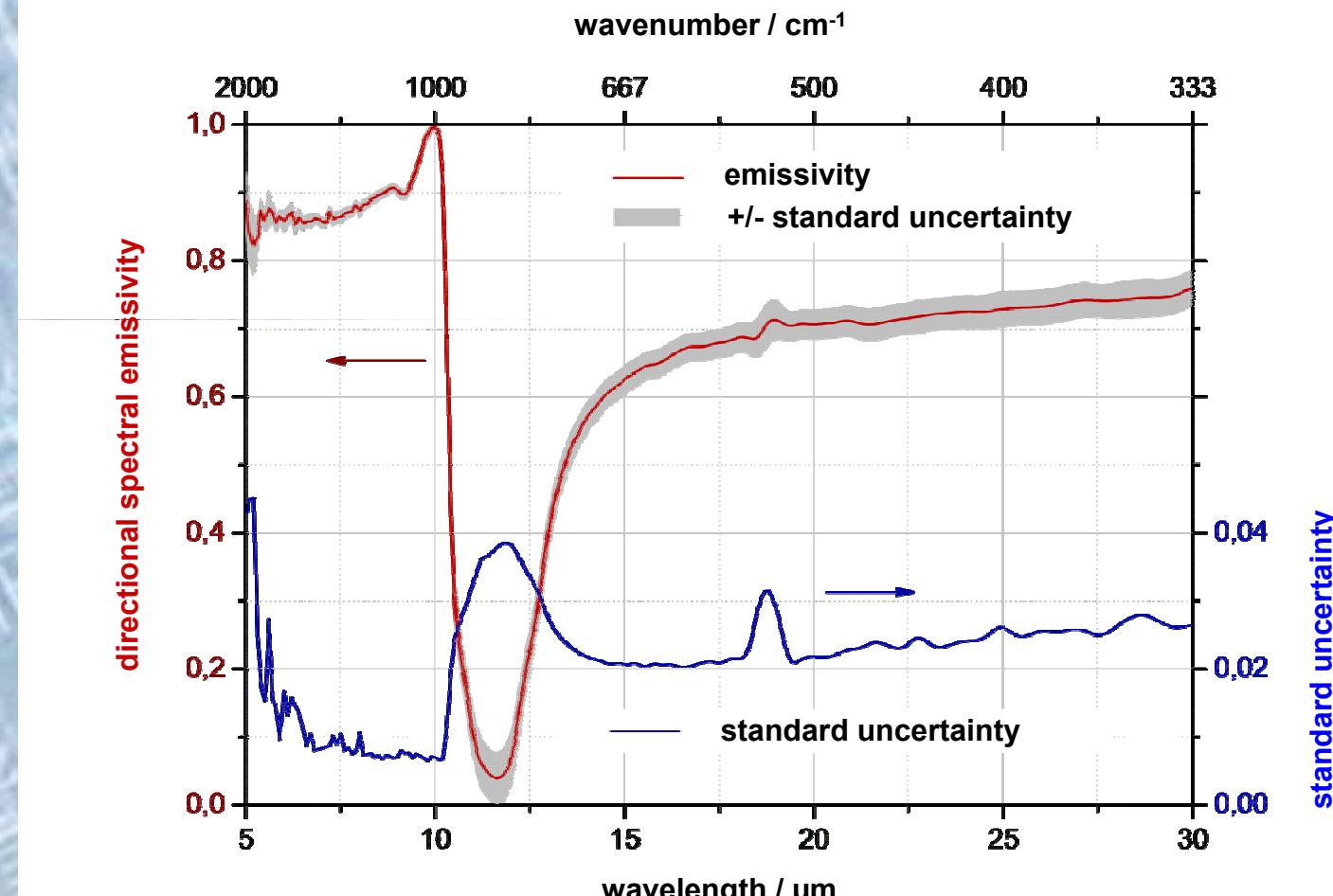


High-emissivity coating at 250 °C

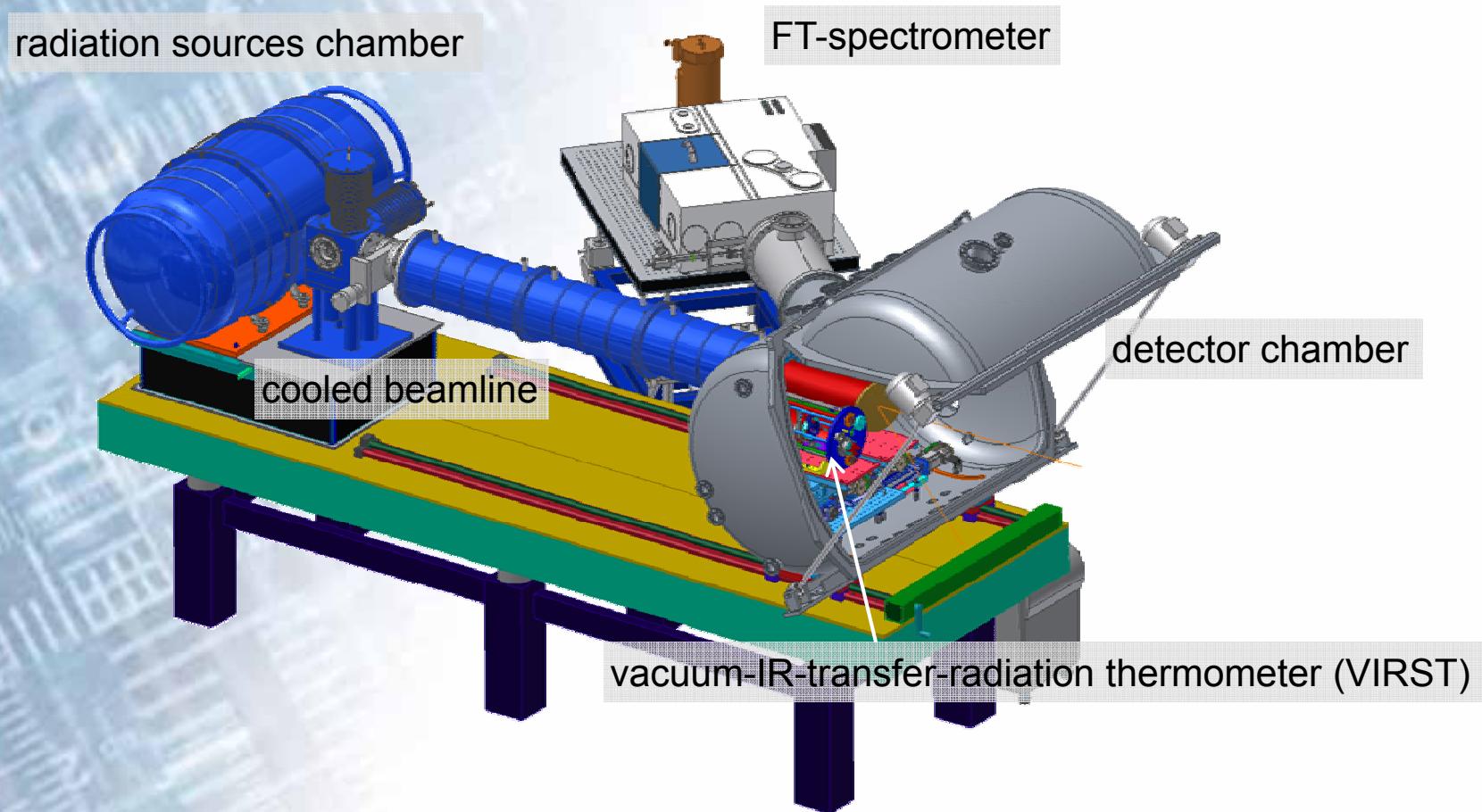
Application: reference coating for radiation thermometry up to 800 °C

Uncertainty

Emissivity of a SiC-sample at 150 °C

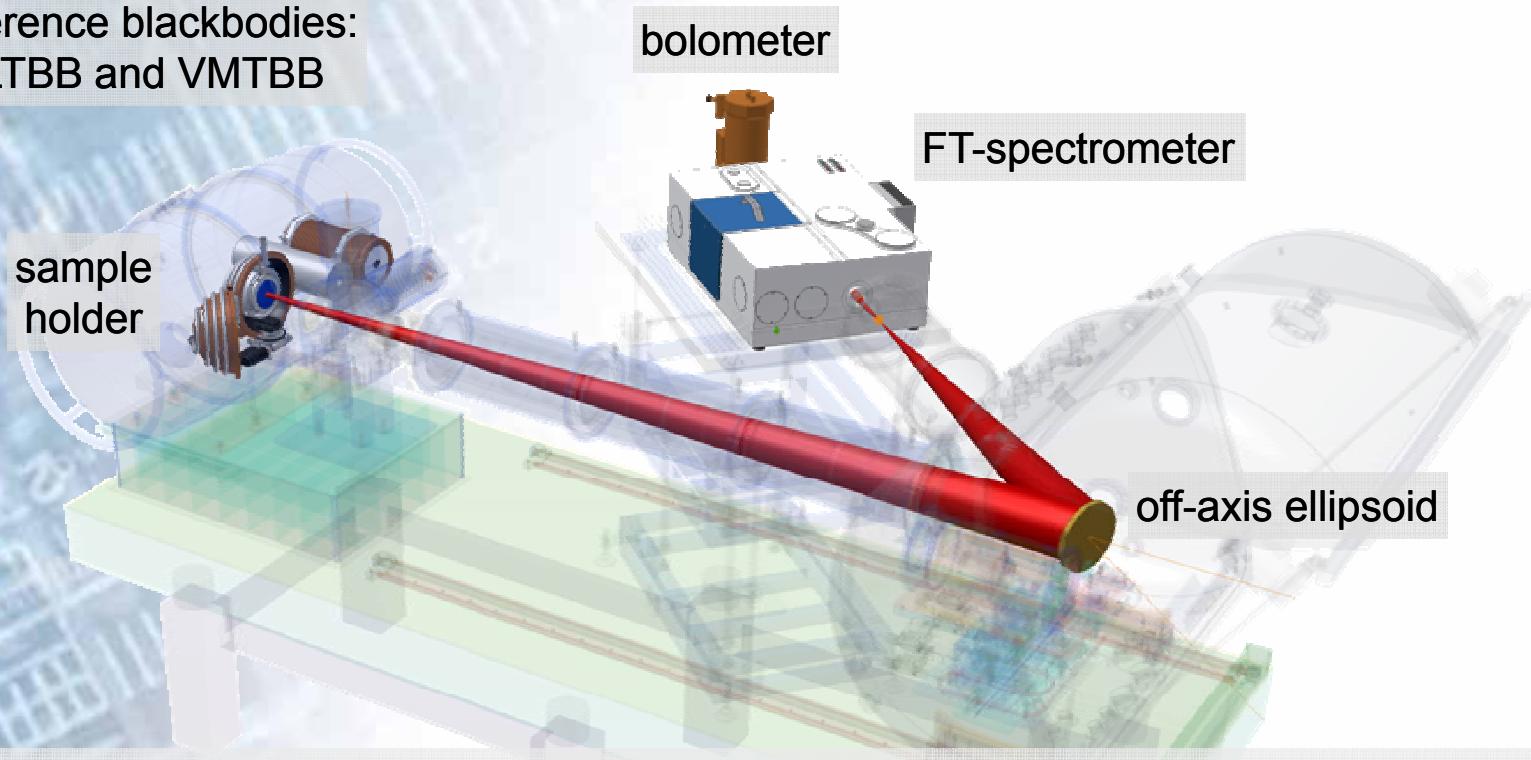


Emissivity measurement under vacuum - setup



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reference blackbodies:
VLTBB and VMTBB

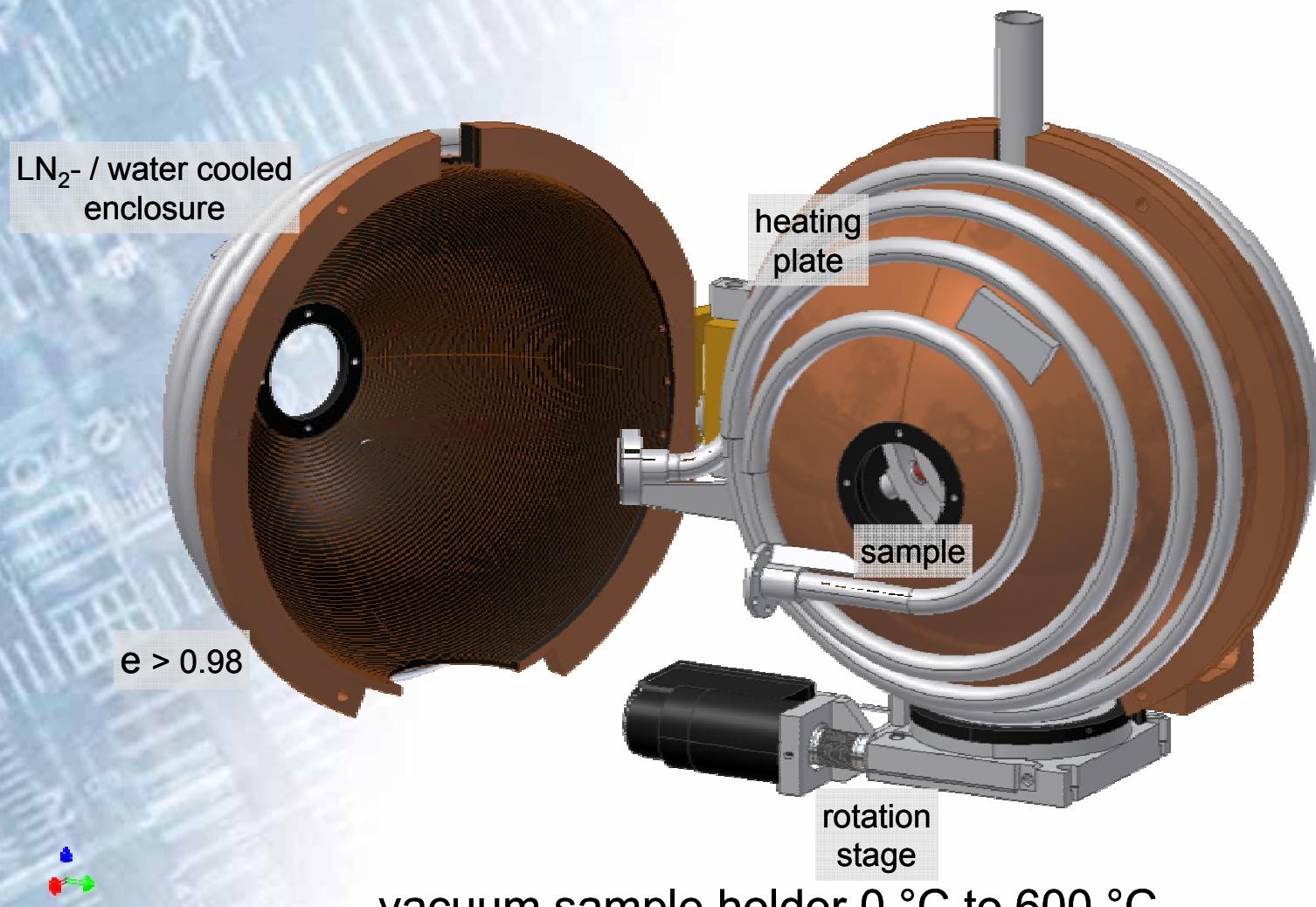


- ✚ No atmospheric interference
- ✚ No convection → accurate determination of the sample surface temperature

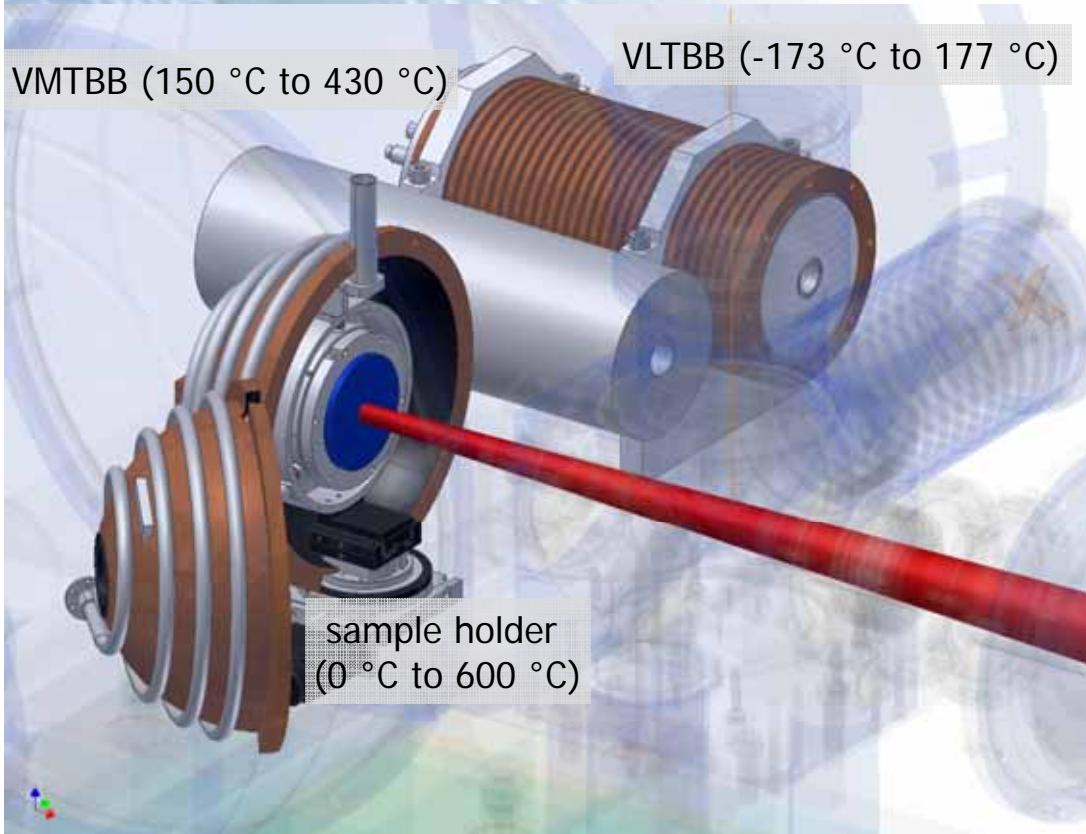
Temperature range: 0 °C to 600 °C

Wavelength range: 1 μm to 1600 μm (10000 cm⁻¹ to 6 cm⁻¹)

Emissivity measurement under vacuum - setup



Emissivity measurement under vacuum



Measurement principle:

measurement of the sample against
two blackbodies at two different
temperatures

Advantage of the method:

the background radiation, the warm
components of the FT-spectrometer
and the spectral responsivity of the
detection system are cancelled

Summary

- Determination of the directional spectral emissivity in air in the temperature range from 80 °C to 430 °C (4 μm to 40 μm)
- Determination of the directional spectral emissivity under vacuum in the temperature range from 0 °C to 600 °C (1μm to 1600 μm)
- Determination of the total and hemispherical emissivity
- Standard uncertainty for the emissivity 1% for samples with an emissivity > 0.3 and a sample temperature starting from 150 °C

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