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Workshop in Analytical Instrumentation for
Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy

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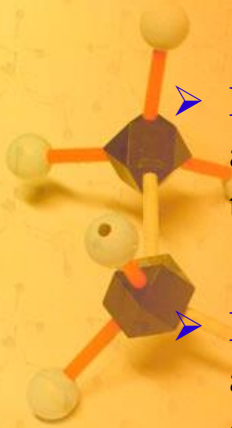


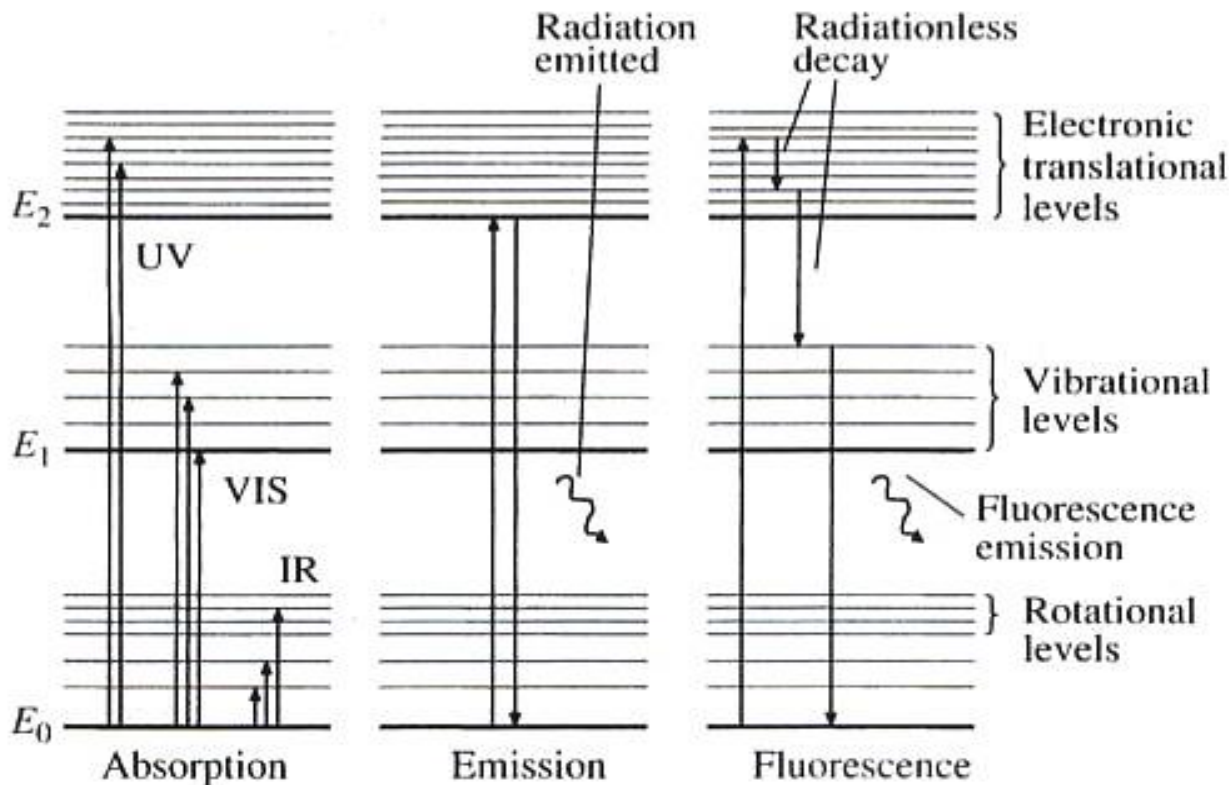
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Atomic Spectroscopy for Metal Analysis

Introduction to the Principles of Atomic Spectroscopy

- **3 major types of atomic spectroscopy:**
- **Absorption** – light of a wavelength characteristic of the element of interest radiates through the atom vapor. The atoms absorb some of the light. The amount absorbed is measured.
- **Emission** – sample is heated to excitation/ionization of the sample atoms. Excited and ionized atoms decay to a lower energy state through emission. Intensity of the light emitted is measured.
- **Fluorescence** – a short wavelength is absorbed by the sample atoms, a longer wavelength (lower energy) radiation characteristic of the element is emitted and measured





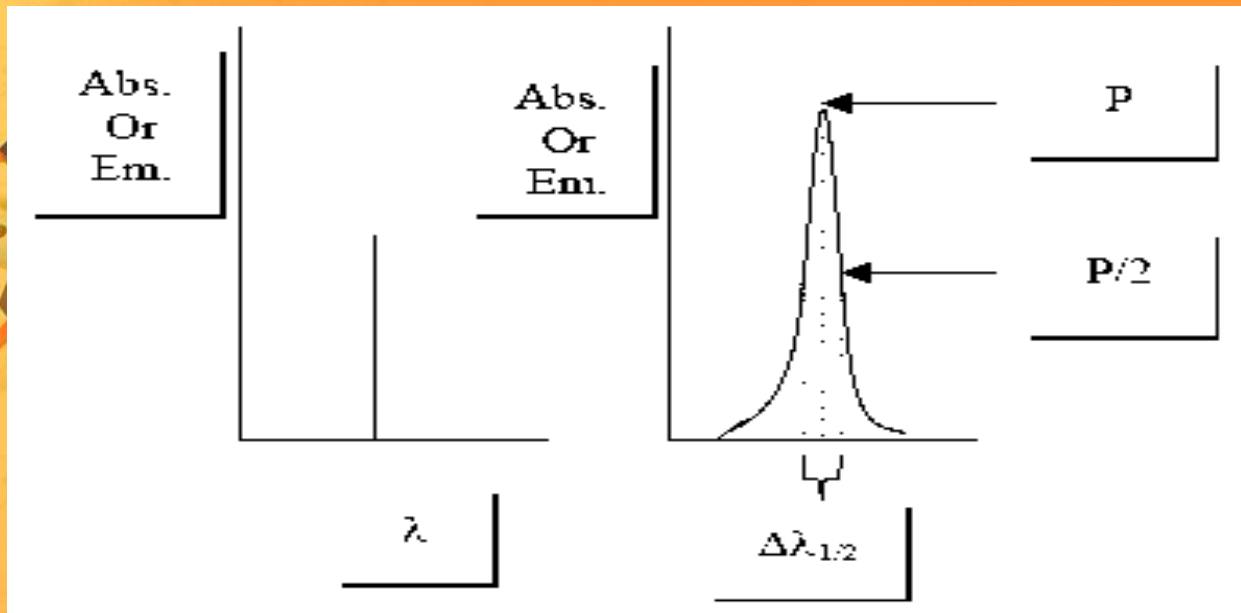
E_0 = Ground level; E_1, E_2 = Excited states

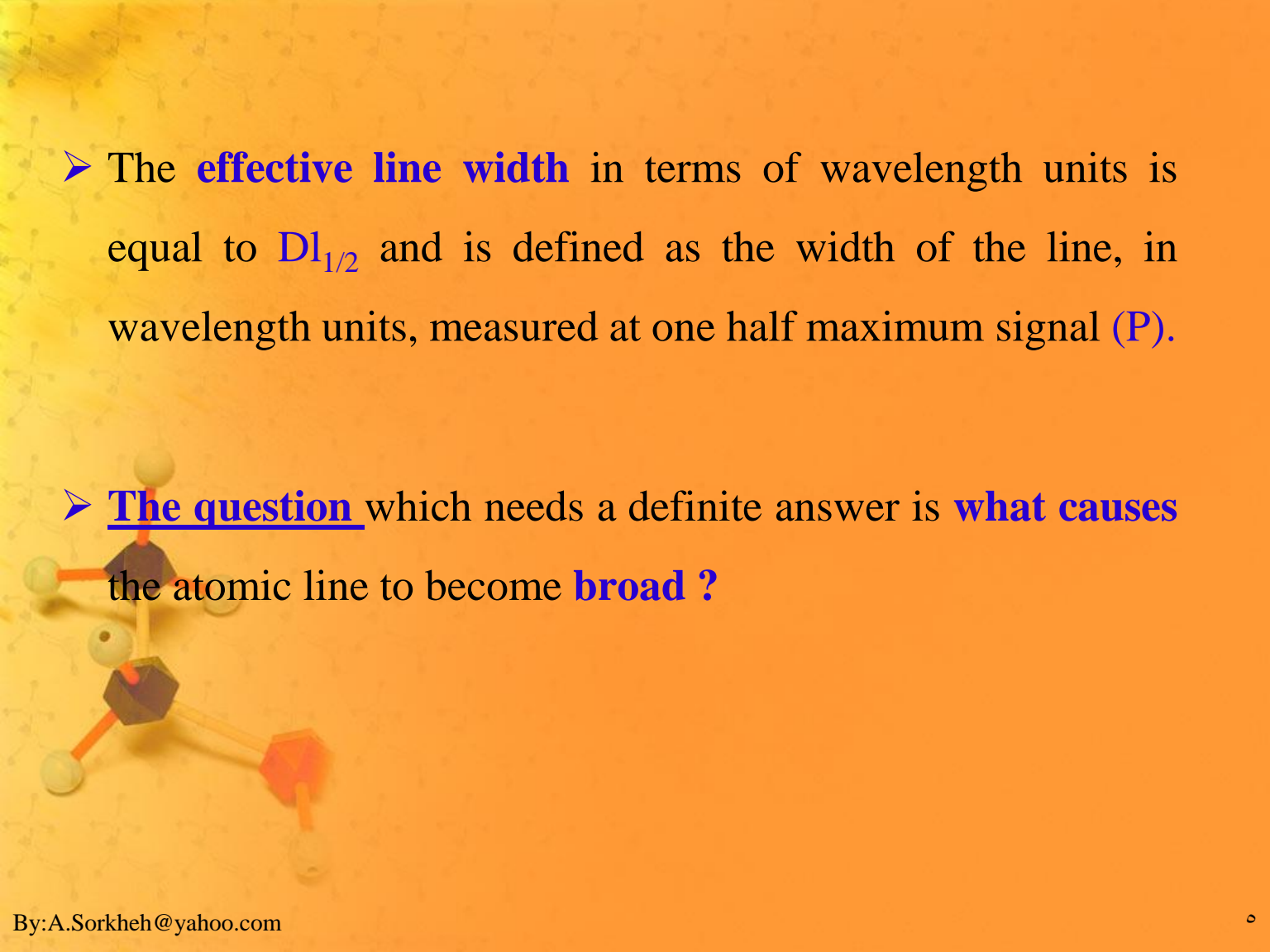
Energy spacing: vibration > rotation >> translation

Figure 8.4 Three types of spectroscopy—absorption, emission, and fluorescence

Atomic Line Width

- It is taken for granted that an atomic line should have infinitesimally small (or zero) line width since transition between two quantum states requires an exact amount of energy. However, careful examination of atomic lines reveals that they have finite width. For example, try to look at the situation where we expand the x-axis (wavelength axis) of the following line:

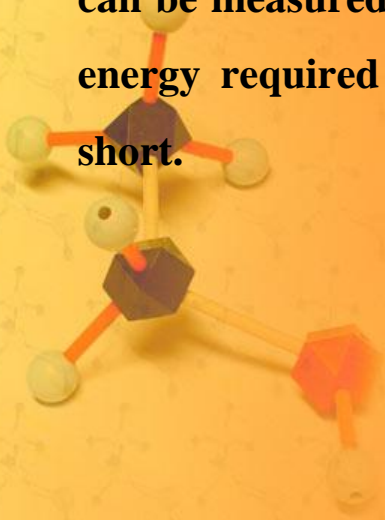


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- The **effective line width** in terms of wavelength units is equal to $Dl_{1/2}$ and is defined as the width of the line, in wavelength units, measured at one half maximum signal (**P**).
 - The question which needs a definite answer is **what causes** the atomic line to become **broad** ?

Reasons for Atomic Line Broadening

1. The Uncertainty Principle

We have seen earlier that [Heisenberg uncertainty principle](#) suggests that nature places limits on the precision by which two interrelated physical quantities can be measured. It is not easy, will have some uncertainty, to calculate the energy required for a transition when the lifetime of the excited state is short.



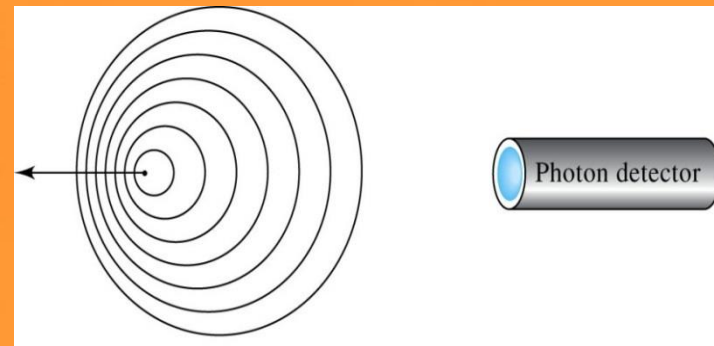
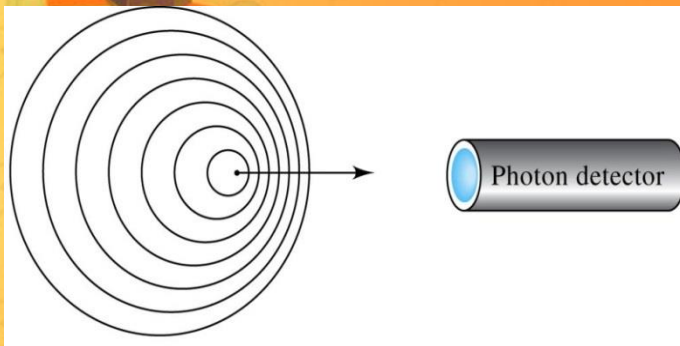
- The **ground state lifetime is long** but the lifetime of the **excited state is very short** which suggests that there is an **uncertainty** in the calculation of the transition time. We have seen earlier that when we are to estimate the energy of a transition and thus the wavelength (line width), it is required that the two states where a transition takes place should have infinite lifetimes for the uncertainty in energy (or wavelength) to be zero:

$$\Delta E \Delta t > h$$

- Therefore, atomic lines should have some broadening due to uncertainty in the lifetime of the excited state.
- The broadening resulting from the uncertainty principle is referred to as **natural line width** and is unavoidable.

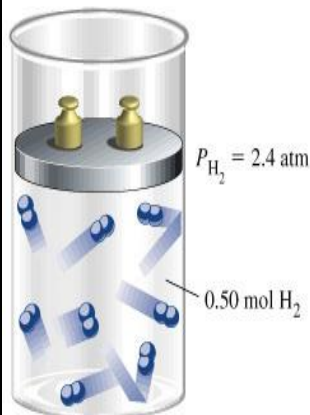
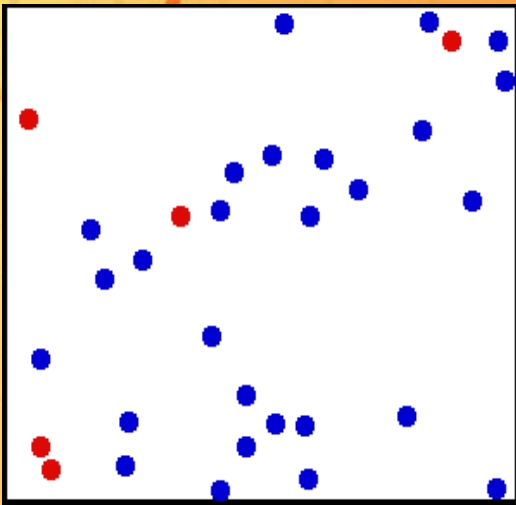
2. Doppler effect

- Emitted or absorbed **wavelength changes** as a result of **atom movement** relative to detector
- ✓ Wavelength **decrease** if motion **toward** receiver
- ✓ Wavelength **increases** if motion **away** from receiver

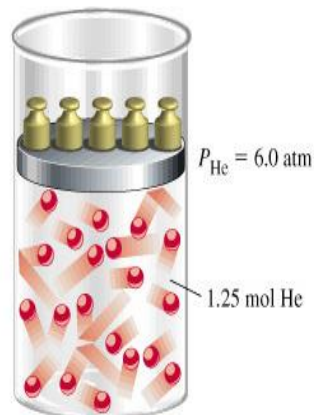


3-Pressure(Lorentz or Random or Stark or Holtzmark) broadening

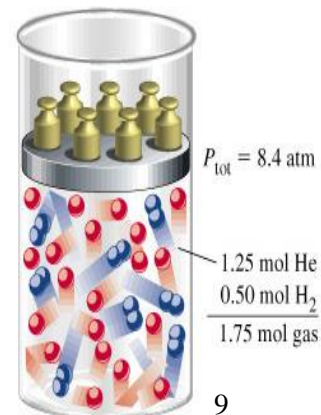
* Collisions with atoms/molecules transfers small quantities of vibrational energy (heat) - ill-defined ground state energy effect worse at high pressures:



(a) 5.0 L at 20 °C



(b) 5.0 L at 20 °C



(c) 5.0 L at 20 °C

✓ **Lorentz broadening:** Collisions of **different molecules** in **high concentration**.

✓ **Stark broadening:** Collisions of **charged** particles.

✓ **Vandevals effect :** Collisions of **no charged**(neutrals) particles.

✓ **Holtzmark broadening:** Collisions of **same atomes**.



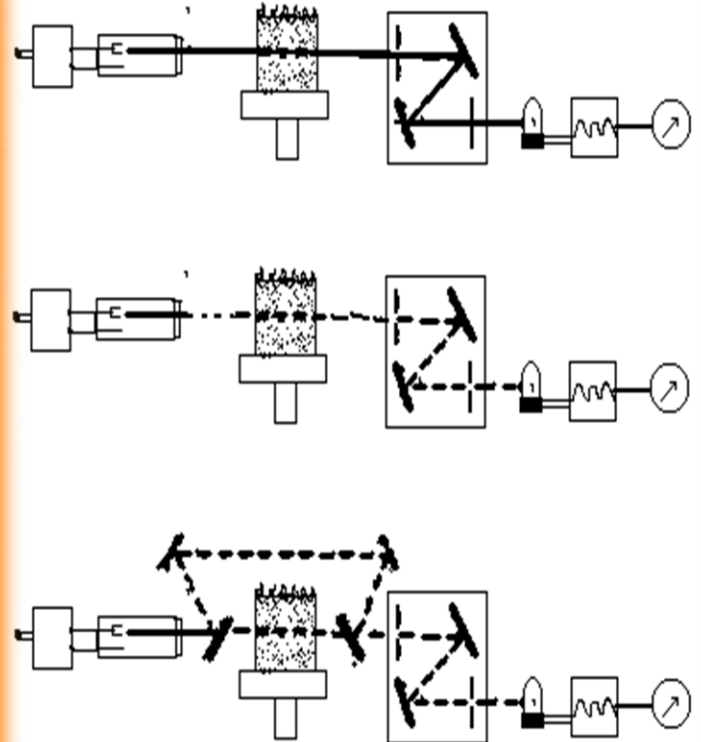
Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy(AAS)

Theory & Principle of OPERATION

- AAS is an **analytical technique** that measures the **concentrations** of elements.
- It makes use of the **absorption of light by these elements** in order to **measure** their concentration .
- Atomic-absorption spectroscopy quantifies the absorption of ground state atoms in the gaseous state .
 - The **atoms absorb UV** or **Vis** light and make transitions to higher electronic energy levels .
 - The analyte **concentration** is determined from the **amount of absorption**.

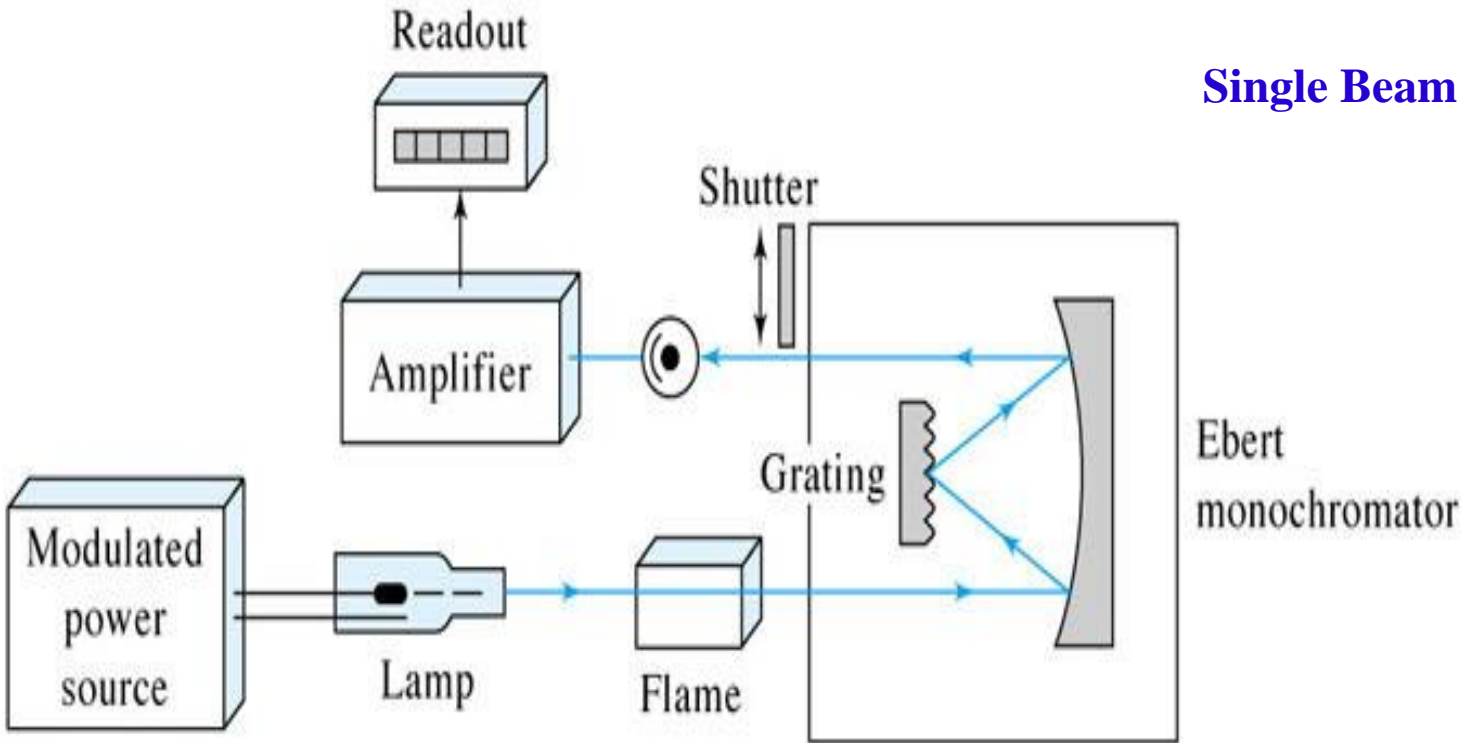
Basic AA Design

- First instruments were *DIRECT Current(DC)*, *SINGLE Beam* designs
- Next generation were *ALTERNATING Current(AC)* to try to compensate for high Drift & Instability
- Final designs had to “split” the signal into a “*DOUBLE Beam*” path to fully correct for Noise, Drift & Errors



Single Beam or Double Beam AAS Systems ?

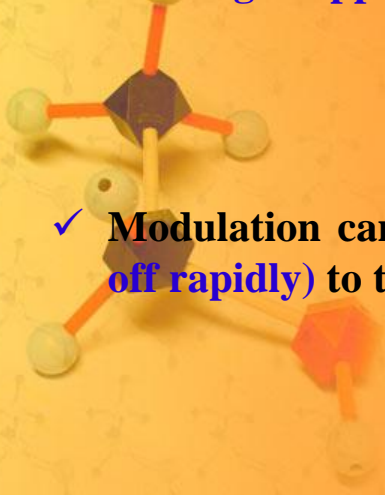
Single Beam



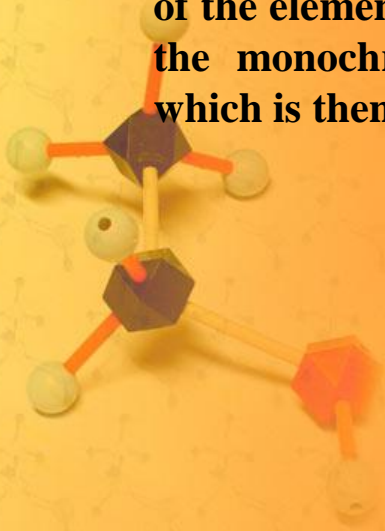
(a)

Single Beam Systems

- ✓ The light source comprising of a hollow cathode lamp emits sharp atomic line of the element whose determination is required.
- ✓ The light is modulated (switched on and off) rapidly by means of a rotating chopper located between the light source and the flame.
- ✓ Modulation can also be achieved by pulsing the power (switched on and off rapidly) to the light source.



- **Modulation** serves to **differentiate the light coming from the source lamp, from the emission and from the flame.**
- **The modulated light is led to the flame where ground state atoms of the element of interest are present and after absorption is led to the monochromator which isolates the wavelength of interest which is then led to the detector.**



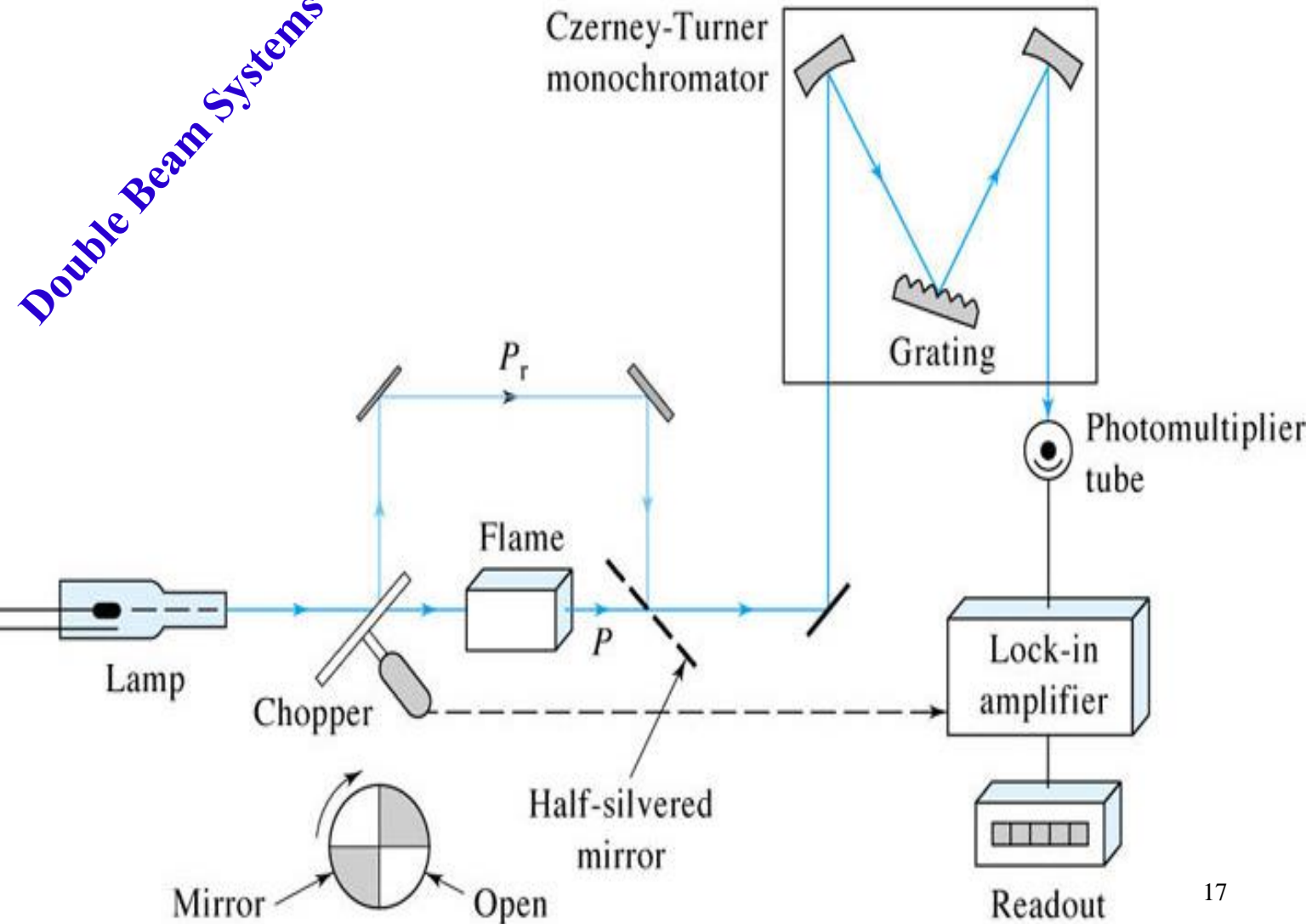
➤ Advantages of Single Beam Systems

- ✓ Single beam instruments are **less expensive**
- ✓ **High energy throughput** due to **non-splitting** of source beam results in high sensitivity of detection

➤ Disadvantages

- ✓ **Instability** due to **lack of compensation for disturbances** like electronic circuit fluctuations, voltage fluctuations, mechanical component's instability or drift in energy of light sources. Such drifts result in abnormal fluctuations in the results.

Double Beam Systems



➤ The **light beam** from the source is **split** into **sample beam** and **reference beam** by the mechanical **chopper**.

✓ The **reference beam** monitors the **lamp energy**.

✓ The **sample beam** reflects **sample absorption**.

➤ The **observed absorbance measurement** is the **ratio of the sample and reference beams** which are recombined before moving to the **monochromator**.

➤ This arrangement compensates the effects due to drift in lamp intensity, electronic and mechanical fluctuations which affect both the sample and reference beams equally.

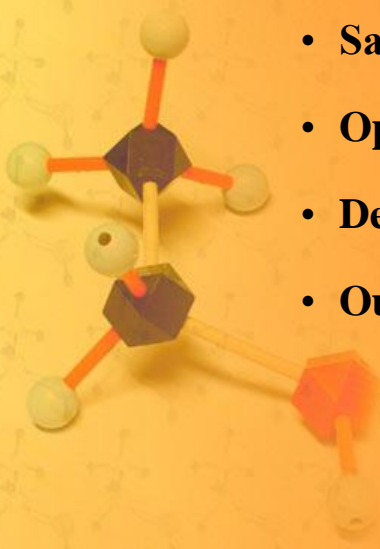
❖ Advantages of Double Beam Systems

- Modern improvements in optics permit high level of **automation** and offer the same or even **better level of detection** as compared to earlier single beam systems. **Instability factors due to lamp drift, stray light, voltage fluctuations do not affect the measurement in real-time.**
- Little or **no lamp warm up time is required.** This not only improves throughput of results but also conserves lamp life.
- The **cost factor** is more than offset by the advantages offered by modern double beam systems and therefore these have become the preferred choice.

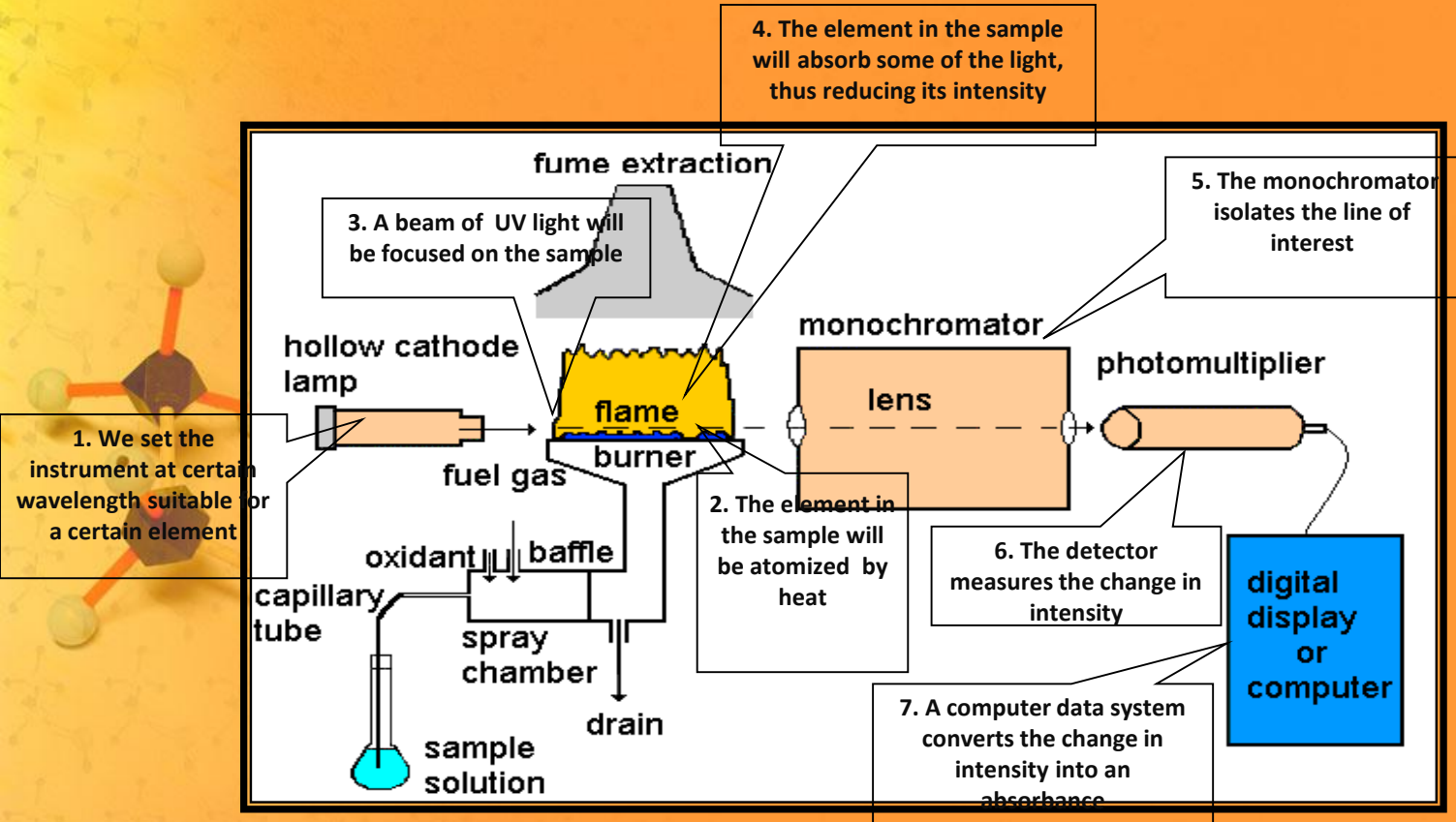
Basic SPECTROMETER Design

All Analytical Spectrometers have several BASIC design components in common:

- **Light Source(HCL in FAAS)**
- **Sample “Chamber” or Atomizer (atom cell)**
- **Optical System (Monochromator)**
- **Detector(E.g. Photomultiplier)**
- **Output (Read out)**

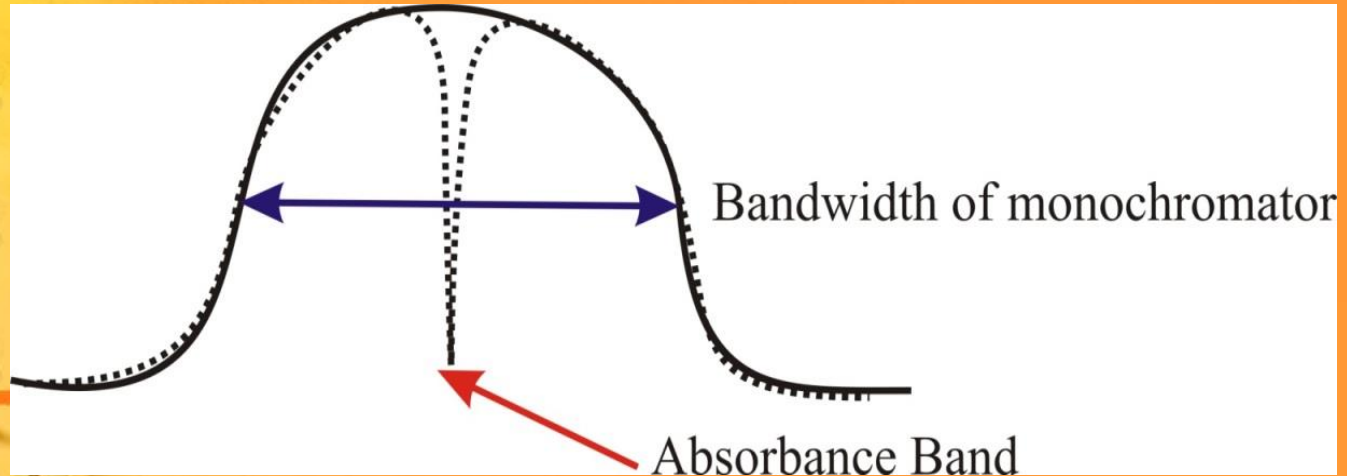


The simple diagram for the AAS



A) Light source

- ✓ Need light source with a **narrow bandwidth** for light output
- ✓ AA lines are remarkably **narrow** (0.002 to 0.005 nm)
- ✓ Separate light source and filter is used for each element

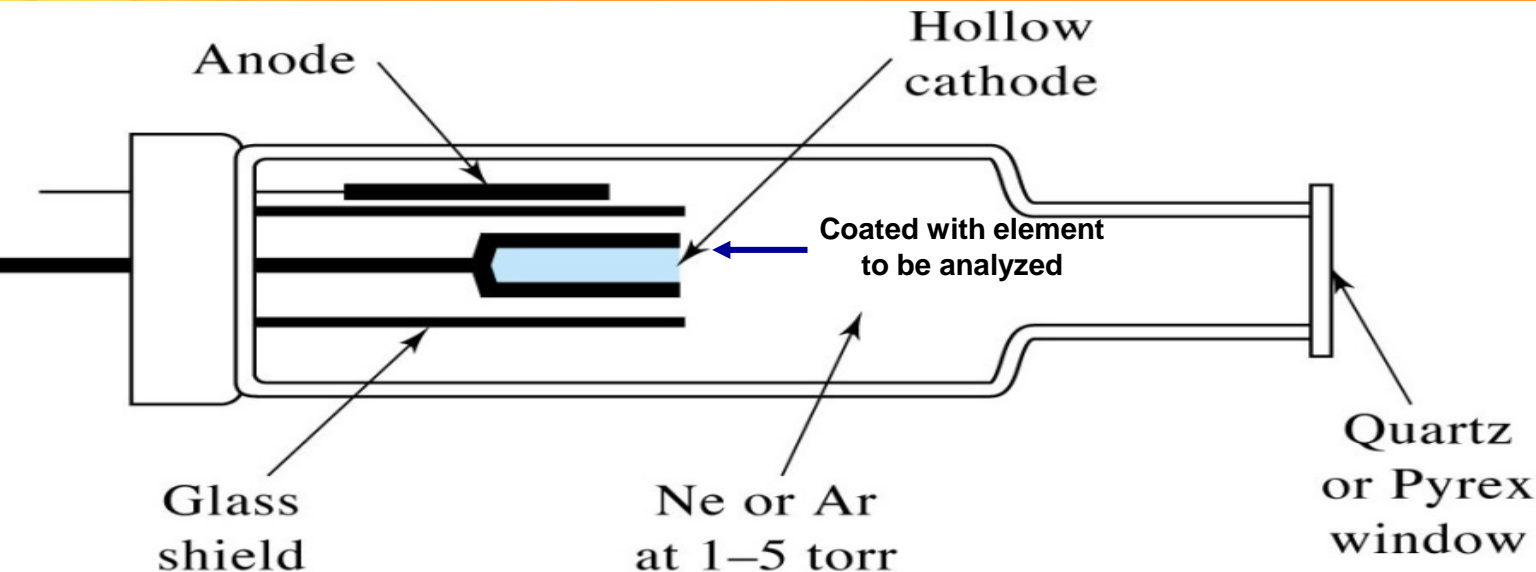


1) **problem** with using typical UV/Vis **continuous light source**:

- have right I, but also lots of others (**non-monochromatic light**)
- hard to see decrease in signal when atoms absorb in a small bandwidth
- only small decrease in total signal area
- with **large amount of elements** → **bad sensitivity**

2) **Solution is** to use light source that has line emission in range of interest

- ✓ **laser** – but hard to match with element line of interest
- ✓ **hollow cathode lamp (HCL)** is common choice



Light source

The main sources used for atomic absorption:

1. Hollow cathode lamp (HCL): low intensity and short lamp lifetime

2. Electrodeless discharge lamp (EDL): more intense than hollow cathode lamps

✓ The hollow cathode lamp is an excellent, bright, stable line source for most elements.

✓ EDLs are typically more intense than hollow cathode lamps and, therefore, may offer better precision and lower detection limits for some elements.

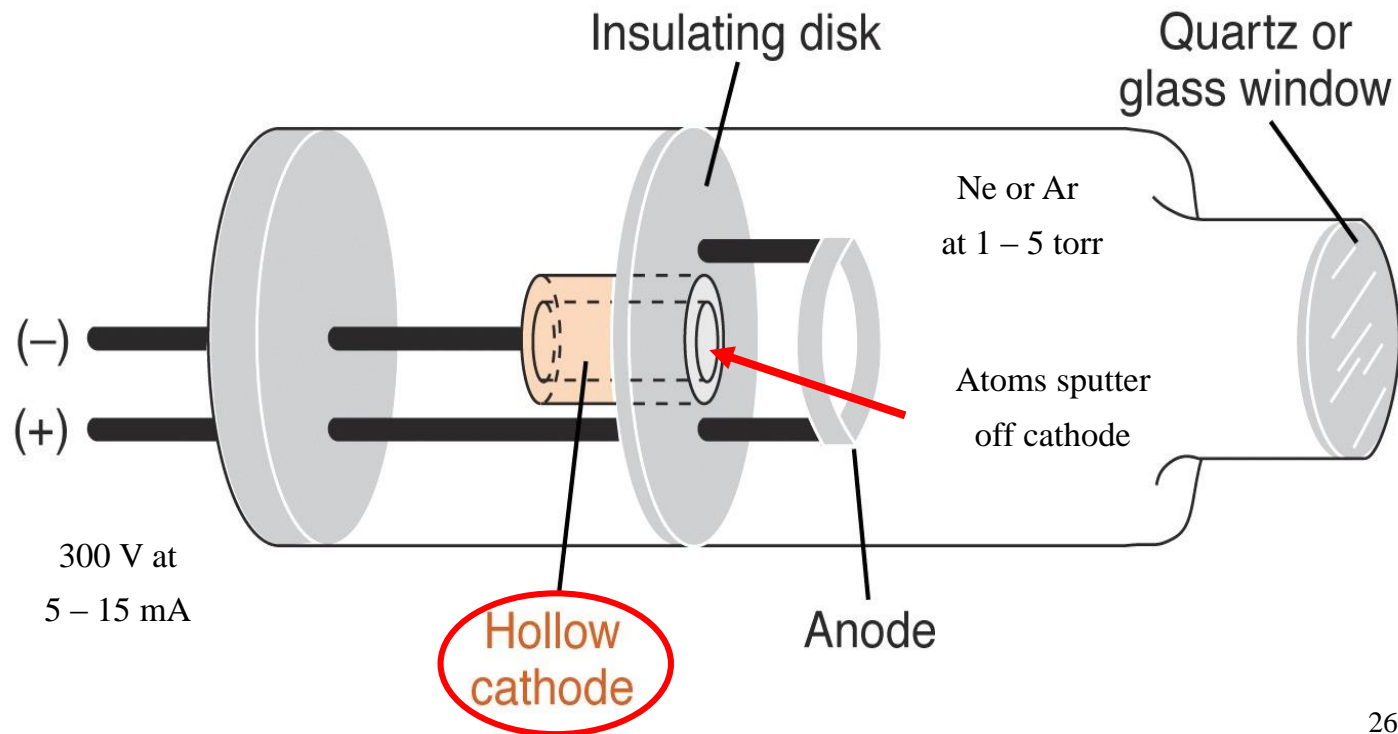
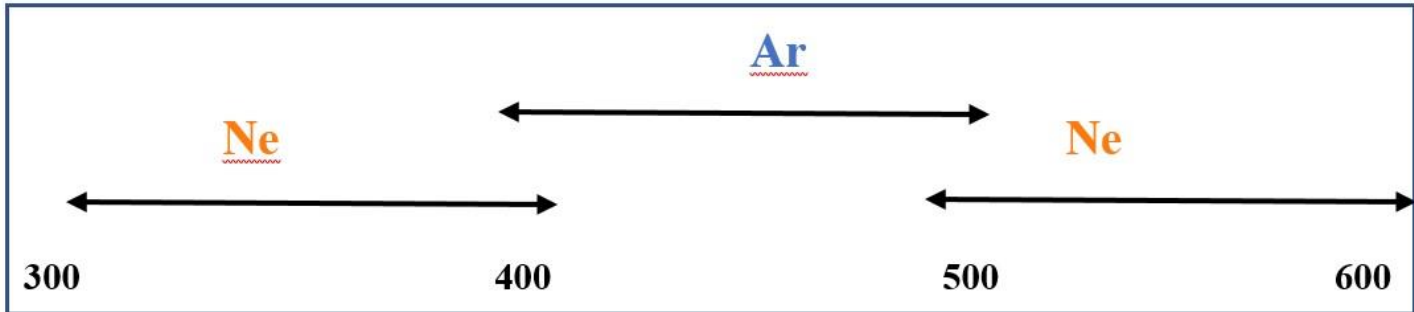
➤ The cathode is a hollowed-out cylinder constructed entirely or in part of the metal whose spectrum is to be produced.

➤ The anode and cathode are sealed in a glass cylinder filled with neon or argon.

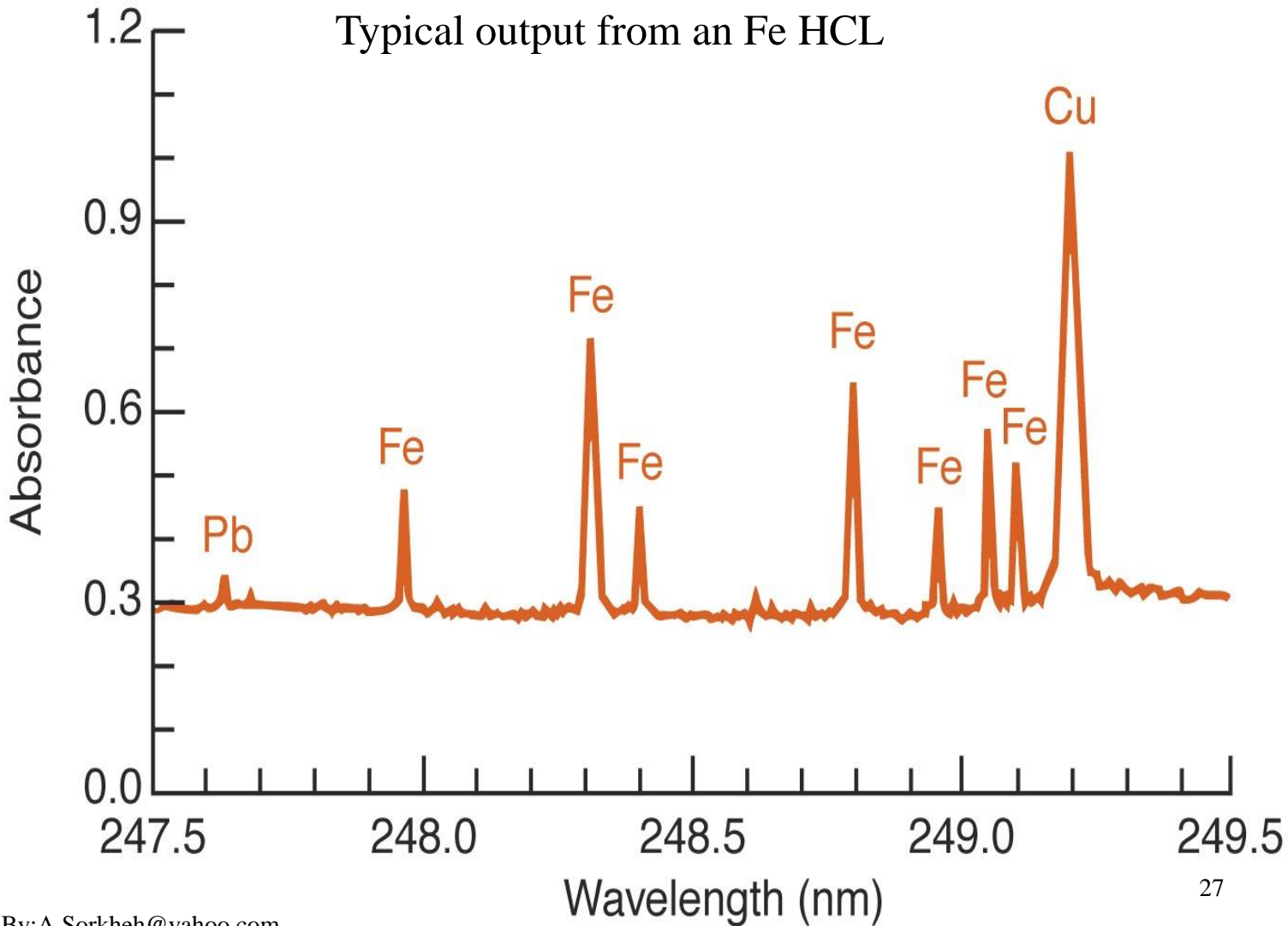
✓ The glass cylinder has a **quartz or UV glass window** for optimum transmittance of the emitted radiation.

✓ The optimum fill gas is selected that gives the best lamp intensity while taking into consideration spectral interferences from either **neon or argon**.

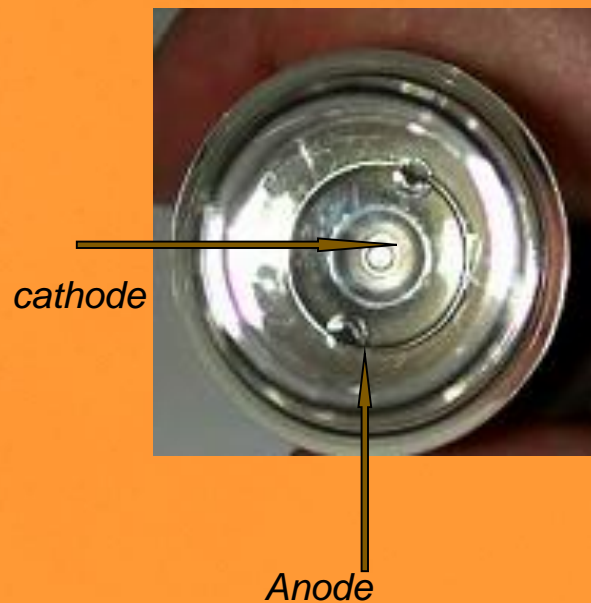
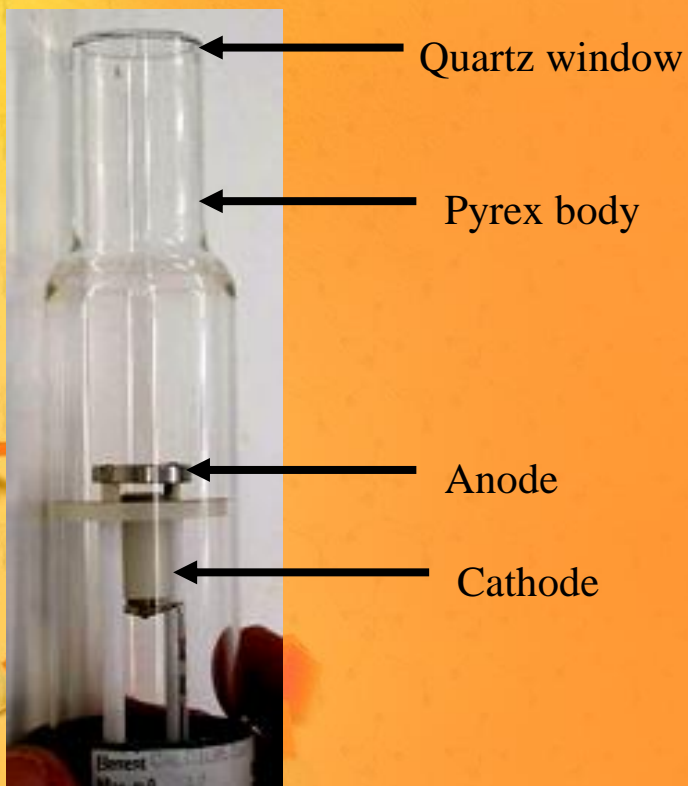
✓ A **red glow** is observed in lamps filled with **neon**, while **argon** filled lamps have a **blue glow**.



Typical output from an Fe HCL

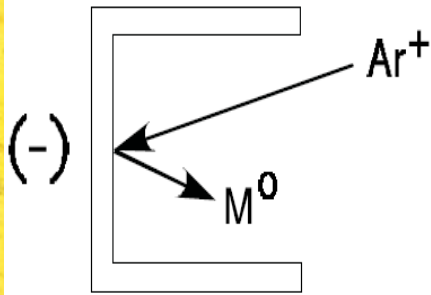


Hollow Cathode Lamp



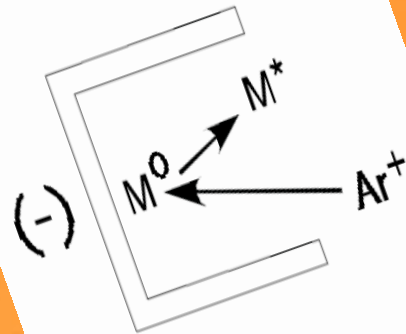
- **An electrical potential is applied between the anode and cathode and some of the fill gas atoms are ionized.**
- ✓ ***Sputtering*: The positively charged ions collide with the negatively charged cathode and dislodge metal atoms in a process called "sputtering."**
- ✓ ***Excitation & Emission*: Sputtered metal atoms are further excited to emission through impact with the fill gas.**
- ✓ **Hollow cathode lamps have a finite lifetime. With extended use, the sputtering process removes some of the metal atoms from the cathode and these are deposited elsewhere.**
- ✓ **Fill gas is absorbed in the sputtered metal, on the glass walls and also absorbed into the glass from bombardment.**
- ✓ **Lamps for volatile elements age faster due to more rapid sputtering of the cathode.**

Process: 1. ionizes inert gas to high potential (300V)



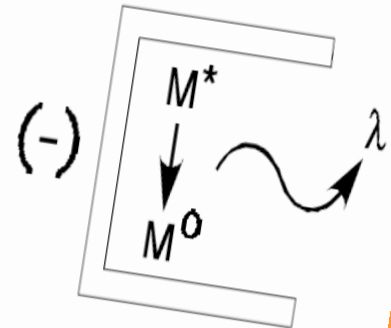
1. Sputtering

2. Ar^+ go to “-” cathode & hit surfaces



2. Excitation

3. As Ar^+ ions hit cathode, some of deposited element is excited and dislodged into gas phase (sputtering)



3. Emission

4. Excited element relaxes to ground state and emits characteristic radiation

➤ **Advantage:** sharp lines specific for element of interest

➤ **Disadvantage:** can be expensive, need to use different lamp for each element tested.

Multielement Lamps

- ✓ The cathode of a hollow cathode lamp is generally constructed from a very pure metal resulting in a very pure emission spectrum.
- ✓ It is possible to construct a cathode from a mixture or alloy of several metals. The resulting "multielement" lamp can be used as a source for all the metals contained in the cathode.
- ✓ There is a wide variety of multielement lamp combinations available.
- ✓ Not all metals can be used in combination due to metallurgical properties or spectral limitations.

Single-Element or Multielement Lamp?

- ✓ **The emission intensity for a particular element in a multielement lamp is not as great as that for the same element in a single-element lamp. This can result in a poorer signal/noise ratio which can influence the precision of analyses and the detection limit.**
- ✓ **When working close to the detection limit or when the best precision is required, select a single-element lamp.**
- ✓ **If economics is a problem, one multielement lamp can take the place of several single-element lamps.**
- ✓ **A multielement lamp is adequate for routine analyses that are well above the detection limit.**
- ✓ **If a backup lamp is necessary for a specific determination, a multielement lamp is ideal.**
- ✓ **If an infrequent analytical determination is required for several elements, a multielement lamp can offer considerable savings.**

Windows

High purity fused quartz (Spectral range 200 - 5000nm).

Cathode

Most of the cathode materials used in standard Cathodeon hollow cathode lamps may be used in the "see through" design. (Unavailable elements are Rb, Cs, K). Cathode length is 19mm and bore diameter is in the range 3 to 6mm. Where material is not critical Iron is recommended for its high intensity operation.

Hollow cathode lamp SPECIFICATIONS

Fill Gas

Neon, Argon, Xenon, Krypton, Helium, Deuterium, Hydrogen. Gas mixtures and other gases may be specified provided they are non-corrosive and non-radioactive. Where the gas is not critical Neon or Argon are recommended based on Cathodeon standard hollow cathode lamp practice. Fill pressure must normally be in the range of 8 to 15mbar.

ELECTRICAL

Striking volts 350—400V

Running volts 200—320V

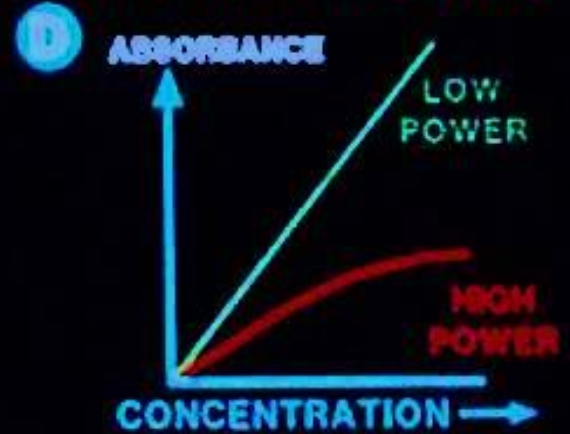
Maximum continuous current 5 - 20mA (Each cathode material has a maximum value within this range beyond which life and/or performance is reduced).

Lamp Current

- The **label** on each hollow cathode lamp gives an operating and maximum current.
- The recommended operating currents are those which have been found through **experience** to be appropriate for most analytical situations.
- However, you may find by making tests that it is possible to get satisfactory analytical results with a particular lamp run at **less than the recommended current**.
- Running at lower current reduces the light output and therefore requires a higher gain setting of the instrument, but it does not harm the lamp in any way.
- On the contrary, it will extend the **lamp life**. Therefore, if you find that the performance (precision) is not poorer when using slightly lower currents than recommended, by all means do so.

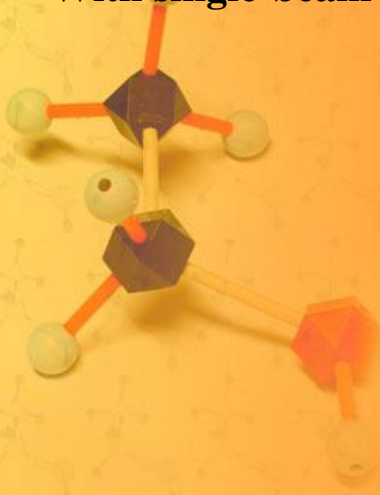
- As a hollow cathode **lamp ages**, it may be necessary to increase the lamp current to the **maximum current** rating to give additional element light emission to equal that originally obtained when the lamp was new.
- While this will somewhat accelerate the aging of the lamp, it is a necessary compromise to obtain enough element emission for good performance.
- **Analytical sensitivity** may be poorer at **higher current settings**.
- Lamps should never be operated **above the maximum current** rating, as this will dramatically **shorten lamp life**.
- Hollow cathode **lamp failure** occurs when the **fill gas** is gradually **captured on the inner surfaces** of the lamp and, finally, the lamp **will no longer light**.
- **Higher lamp currents** accelerate **gas depletion** and cathode "sputtering" and should be **avoided** until the age of the lamp requires a current increase.

Lamp Power effects on Line Signal quality



Warm-Up Time

- The time needed for a hollow cathode lamp to reach a constant emission intensity is short, and with a double-beam instrument no warm-up is required.
- With single-beam instruments, a short warm-up period is recommended.



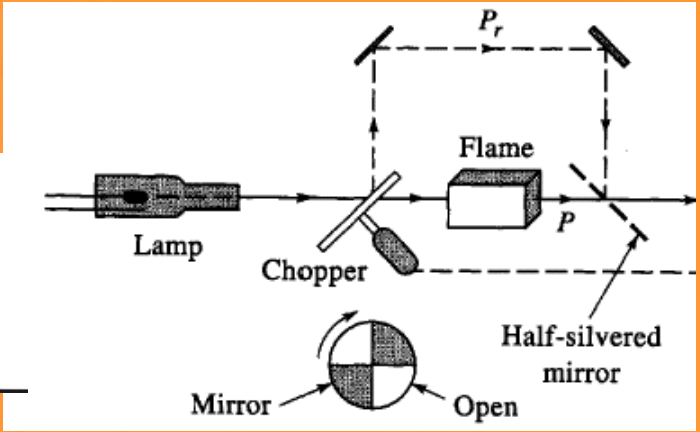
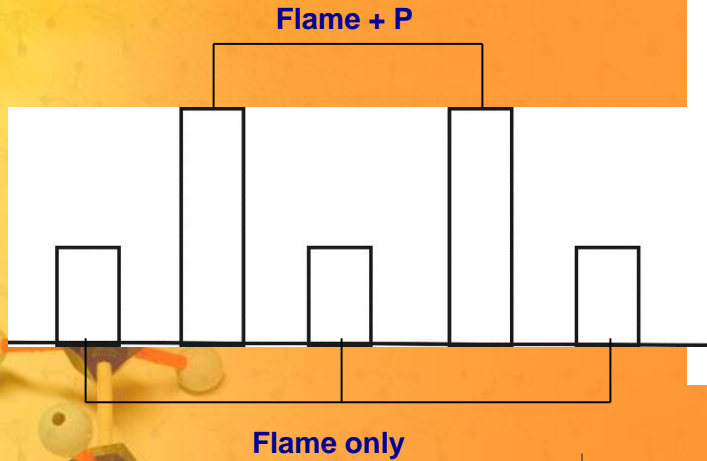
Source Modulation (spectral interference due to flame)

- problem with working with flame in AA is that light from flame and light source both reach detector

- measure small signal from large background
- need to subtract out flames to get only light source signal (P/P_0)

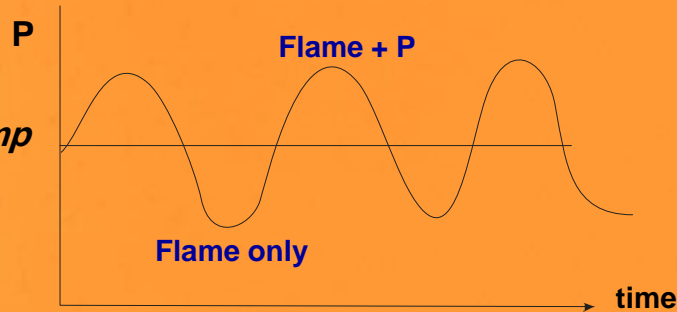
i. Mechanical Modulation

Done by **chopping** signal:



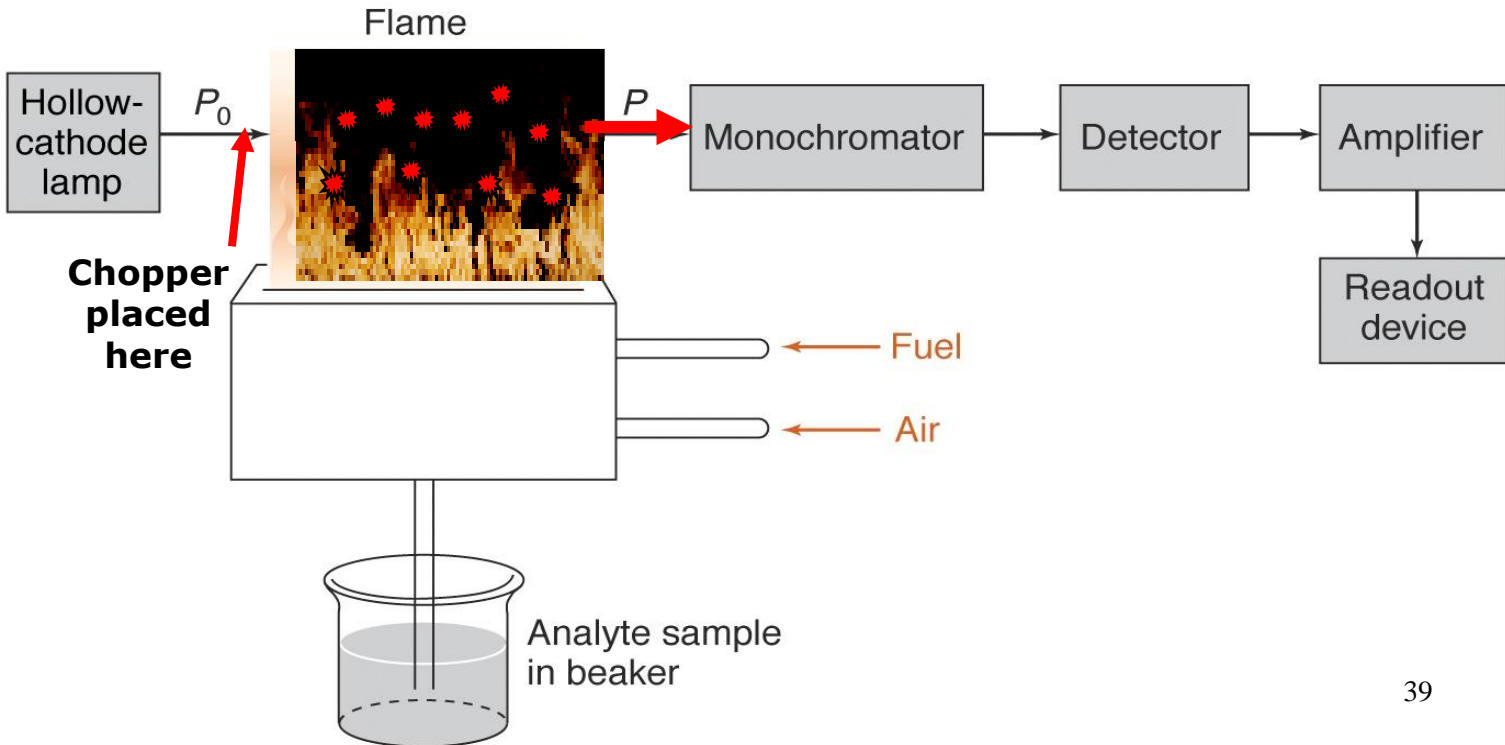
ii. Electrical Modulation

Use an **AC** electrical source for lamp modulating P from lamp:



AA Source Modulation

- Need to **eliminate emission from analyte atoms**
- Source beam is **chopped**

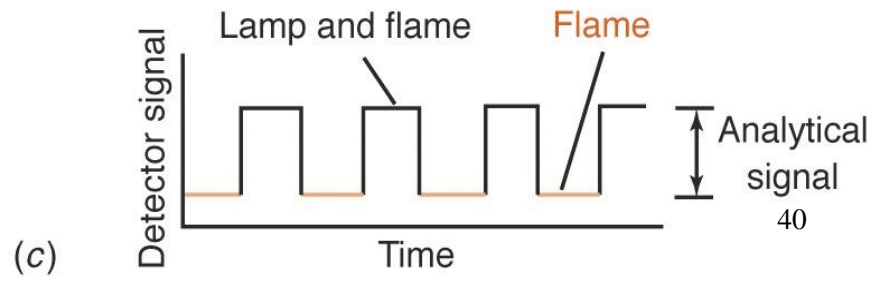
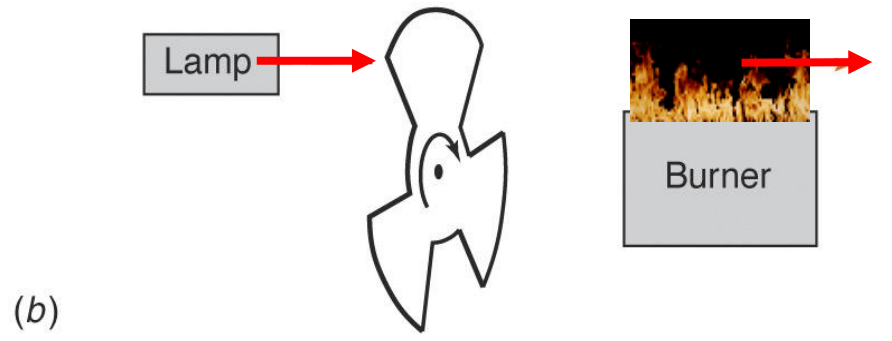
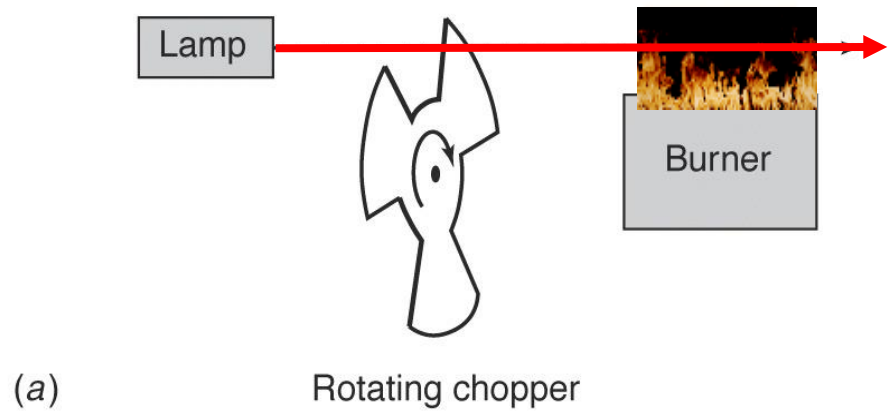


Beam chopper for subtracting flame background emission

(a) Lamp and flame emission reach detector

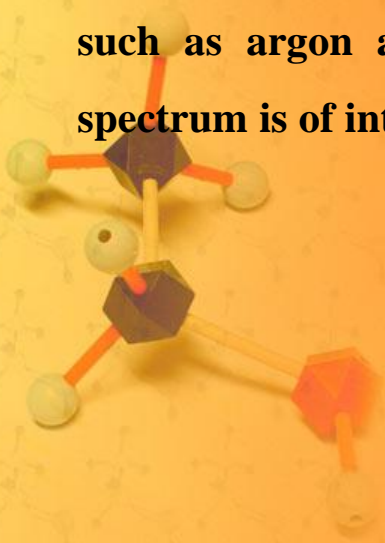
(b) Only flame emission reaches detector

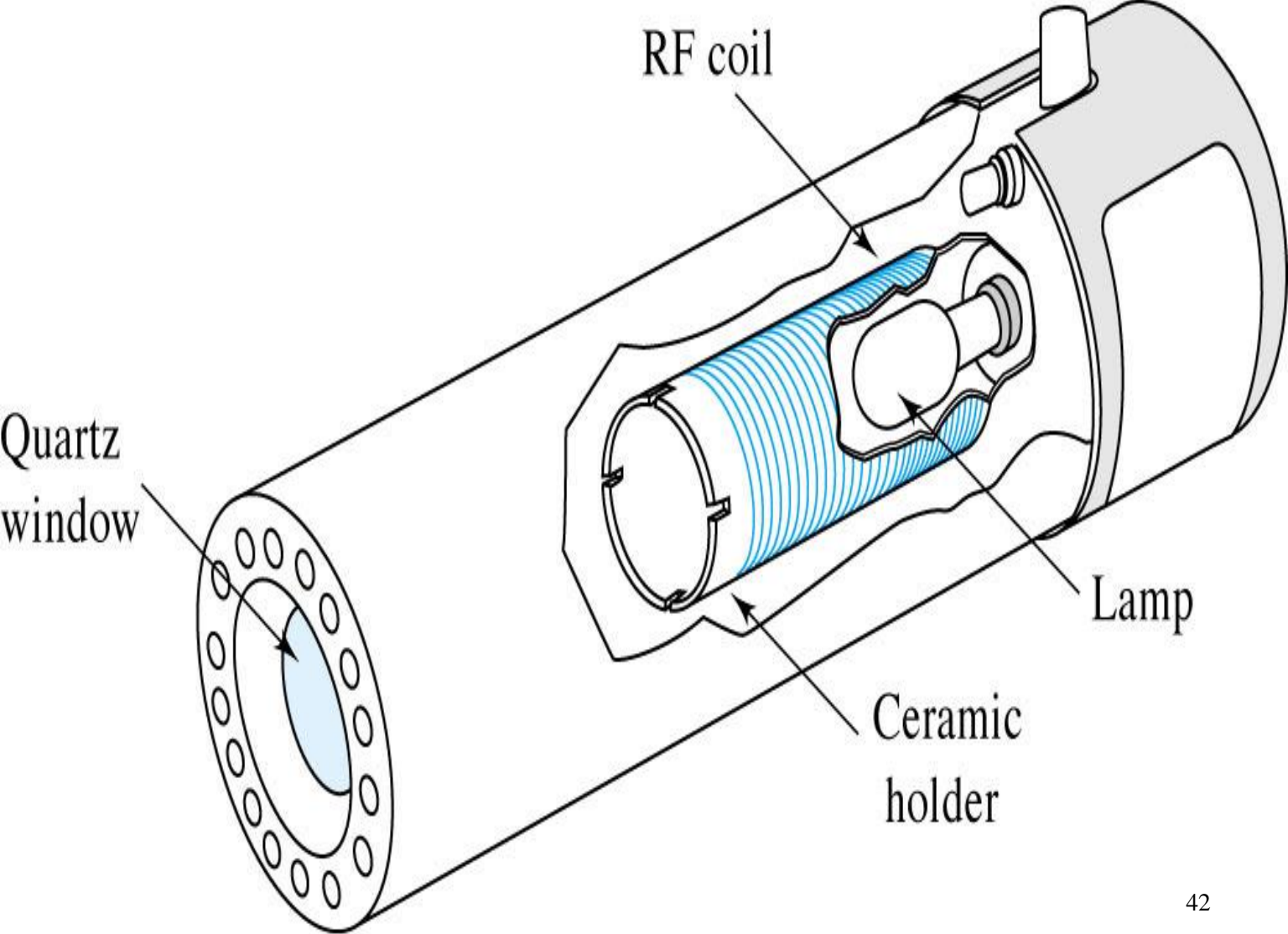
(c) Resulting signal



Electrodeless Discharge Lamps (EDLs):

These provide radiant intensities that are usually one to two orders of magnitude greater than hollow cathode lamps. A typical lamp is constructed from a sealed quartz tube containing a few torr of an inert gas such as argon and a small quantity of the metal (or its salt) whose spectrum is of interest.





“SAMPLE” chamber or Atomizer to deliver the Solution is made of :

1. DYNAMIC NEBULIZER
2. SPRAY CHAMBER
3. BURNER HEAD

ATOMIZATION PROCESS

ATOMIZATION
VAPORIZATION
EVAPORATION



PRODUCTION OF
NEUTRAL FREE
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MIXING



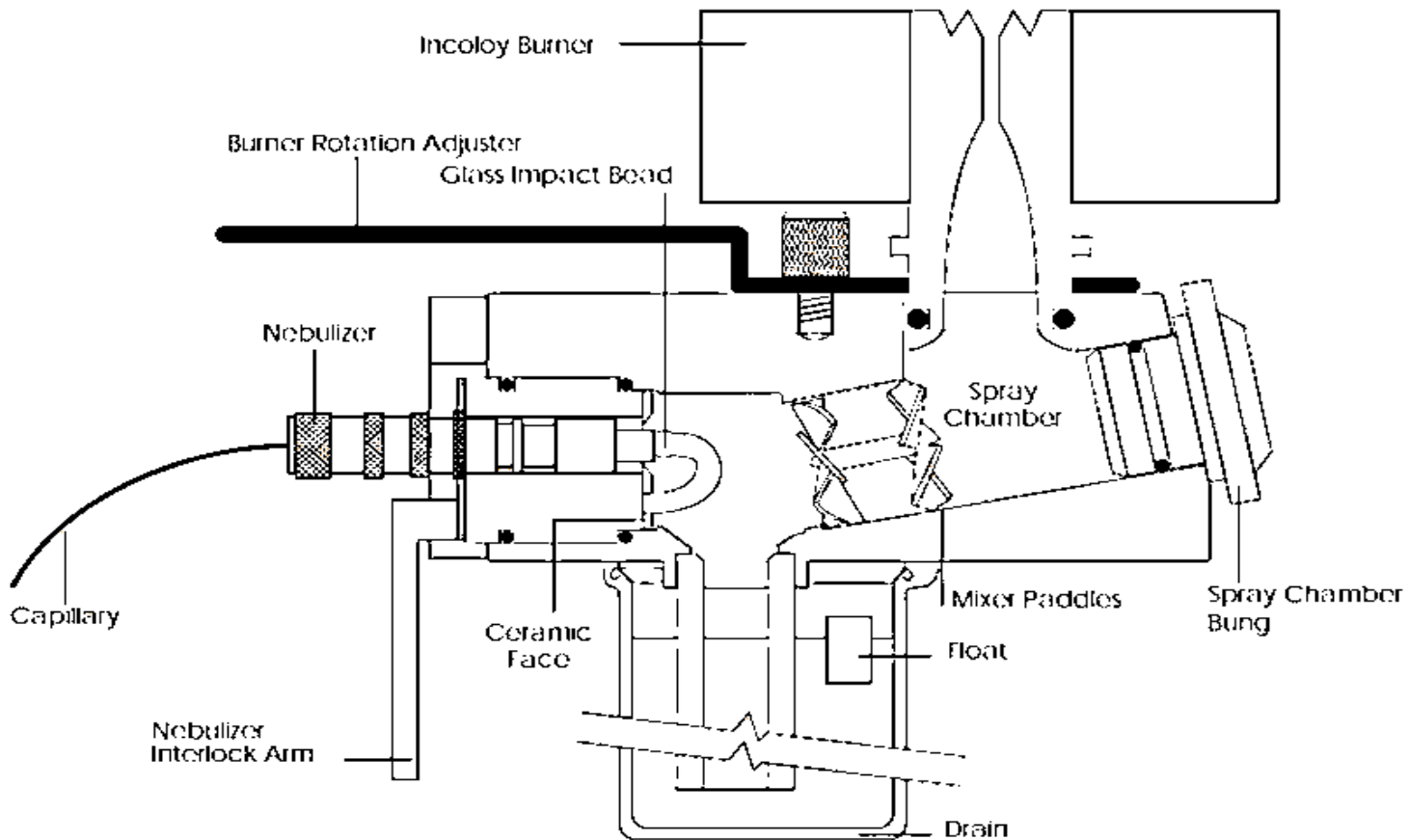
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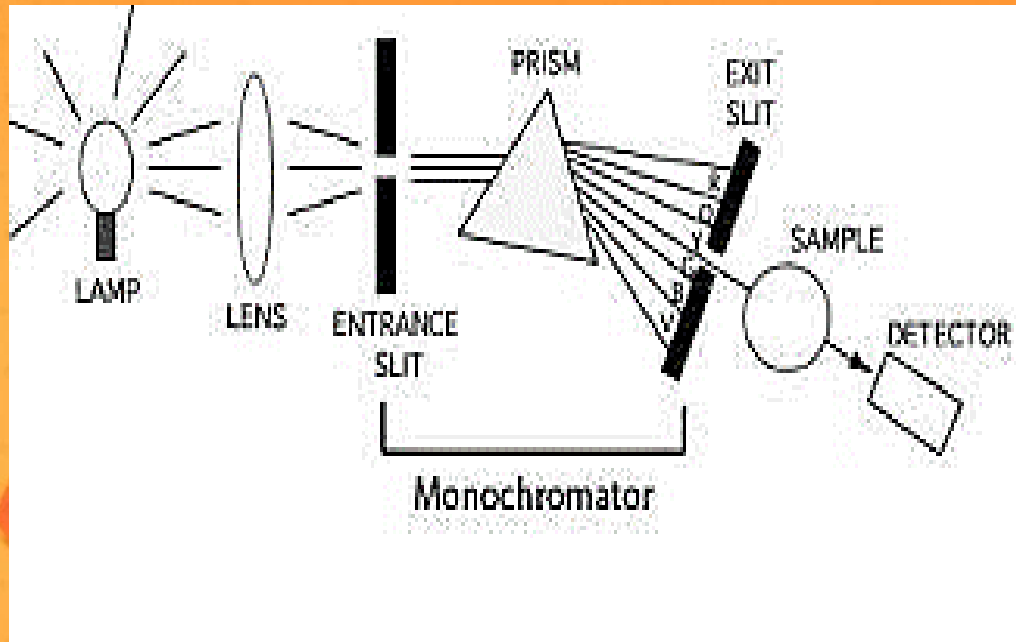
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FINE MIST

BURNER HEAD uses *Dynamic Impact-Bead* NEBULIZER for maximum Sample Aerosol delivery to Flame for ALL types of Solutions (high salt, organic)

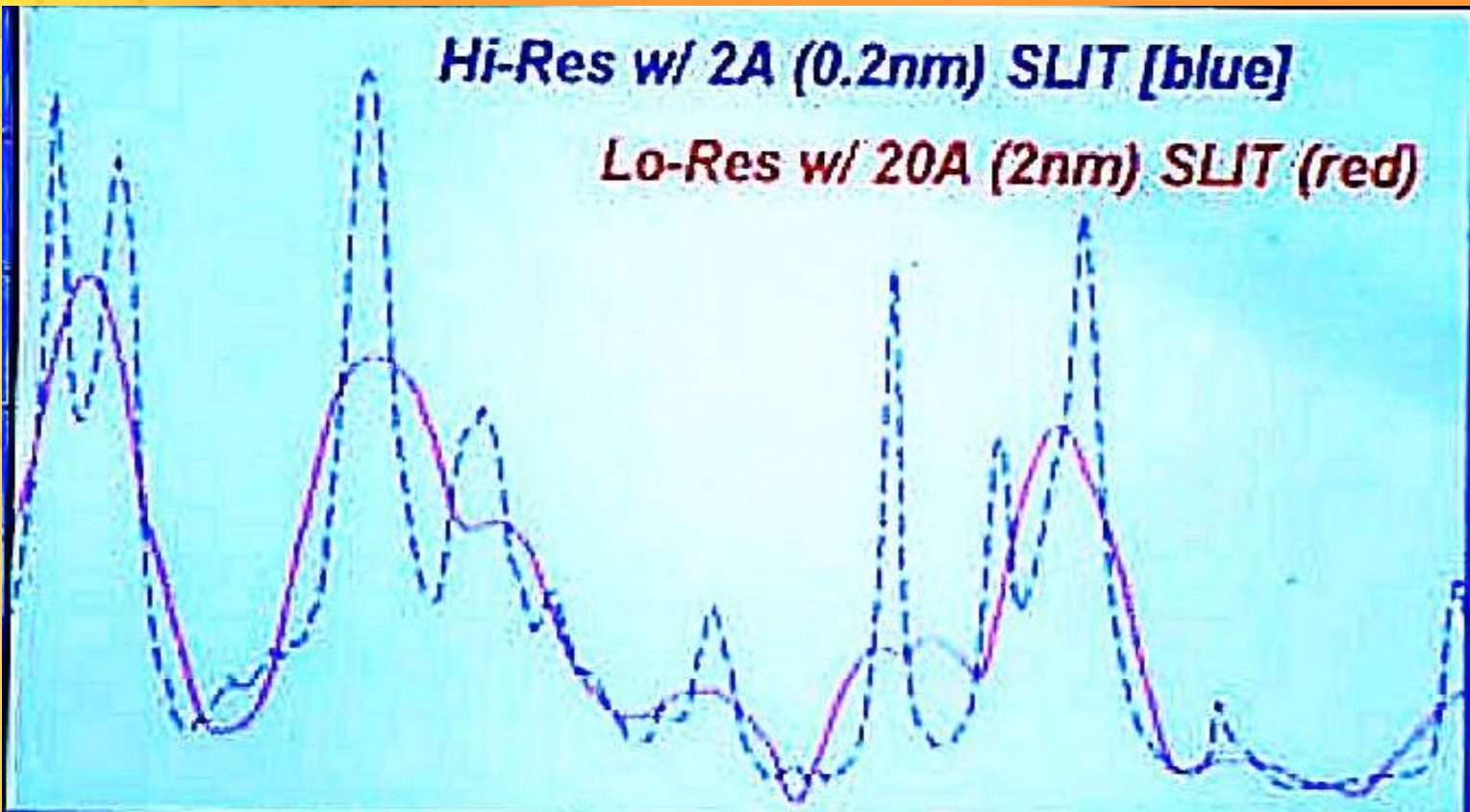


OPTICAL SYSTEM

For the BUCK AAS consists of a compact, med-high Resolution, *SINGLE-BEAM, 1/4M Ebert Monochromator* with variable Slits to maximize separation of Resonance Lines that come from the Hollow-Cathode Lamps

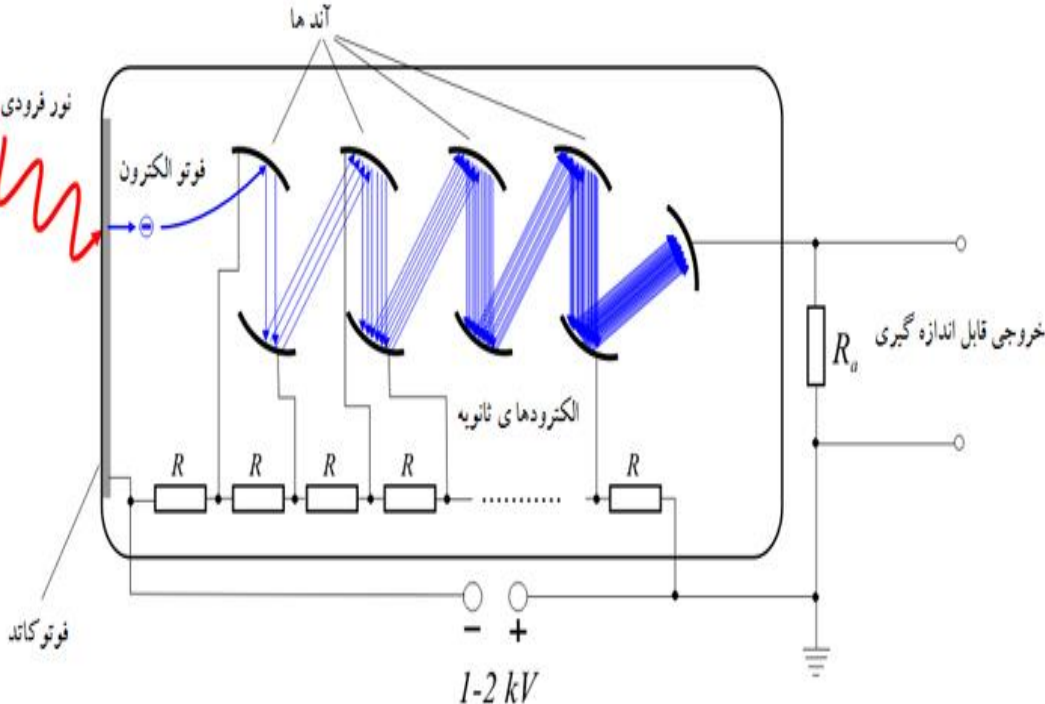


Adjustable *SLITS* are used to increase the **Resolution / Separation** of HCL signals from Metals with “rich” Spectra (many lines); such as Fe, Ni, Mn & Co



DETECTOR

The DETECTOR used to measure the Absorbance SIGNAL is a high-Gain / low-Noise *Photo-Multiplier Tube (PMT)* that is **OPTIMIZED** for the UV region



DATA OUTPUT

DATA OUTPUT can be read directly from the Graphics LCD, sent to a Printer or be transferred to a Computer as an ASCII file to process in Excel, Lotus, etc.

ACTIVE ANALYSIS LAMP 1

Name: Pb-D2 283.2 Lib1 Polars: Wide
 Lamp: Pb-D2cSci Bkgnd: D2
 Meth: Air/Recd Flame Abs Wvl: 283.3 nm
 Cal Max: 250.0 mg/L Slit: 0.7 nm
 Ave Curr: 2.5mA Intgr: 4.7
 Energy: 4.142 Pnt: 263.2V
 Bkgnd Energy: 4.136
 Abs: 0.0116

Conc: **1.2 mg/L**
 (Abs)

STANDBY ANALYSES

Name: Pd-D2 244.8 Lib1 D2 Mode Lamp 2
 Name: Sn-BATH Ni BB D2 Mode Lamp 3

Sample ID	Matrix	Reading-1	Reading-2	Reading-3	Average	SD	% RSD
1	STANDARD	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
2	STANDARD	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.000	
3	STANDARD	4.900	4.900	4.900	4.900	0.000	
4	STANDARD	24.90	24.90	24.90	24.90	0.000	
5	STANDARD	50.000	50.000	50.000	50.000	0.000	
6	STANDARD	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	0.000	
7	STANDARD	200.000	200.000	200.000	200.000	0.000	

Results from Calculation:

Cup	Name	Conc	Abs
151	BLANK	0.0000	0.00000
152	Std-1	1.0000	0.11463
153	Std-2	2.0000	0.22914
154	Std-3	5.0000	0.50172
155	Std-4	10.0000	0.87183

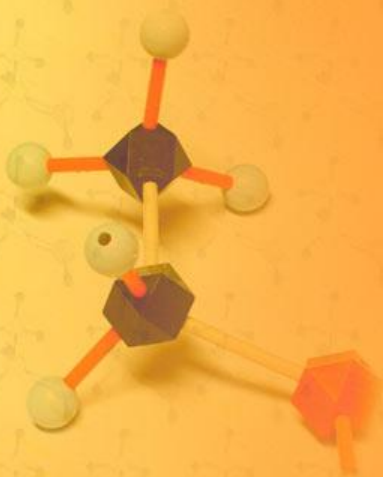
Max Conc: 10.00 ppm
 C2: 0.178509 C3: 0.093452 C4: 0.000000
 Curve Fit: Second Order
 End of Report # 782

Report # 783 Version 3.74 12:57:14 PM Wed Apr 19, 2000
 Sample Report
 Sample Grp: H&H Enviro Program: 002
 Ant: Cr-D2-358-Lib3 Lamp: Cr_Buck-Sci Meth: AIR Flame Lamp 2
 Bkg Corr: ON Wide Pls Mode DC Suppr: On Wavl: 357.8 nm Slit: 0.7nm
 Peak HCL Curr: 10.0 mA Energy: 3.2115 BKG Energy: 2.7711

Ref	Time	Cup	Sample	Concentration	Abs	Bkg Abs
1	12:57:23 PM	151	BLANK	0.06 ppm	0.0093	0.0018
2	12:57:43 PM	154	STD3	5.08 ppm	0.5020	0.0022
3	12:57:58 PM	1	S1 Effluent-316	0.66 ppm	0.0635	0.0093
4	12:58:04 PM	1	S1	0.70 ppm	0.0651	0.0103
5	12:58:08 PM	1	S1	0.64 ppm	0.0629	0.0088

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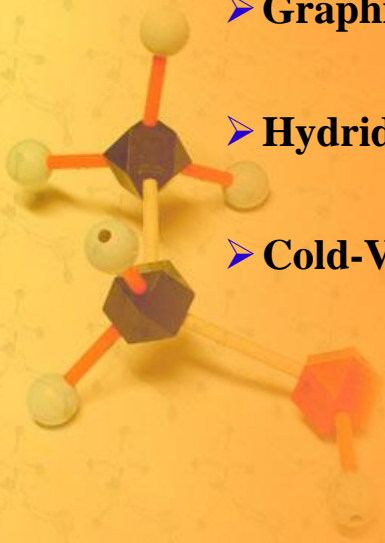
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AA Techniques(Atomizers)

There are several MODES of Analysis for Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy:

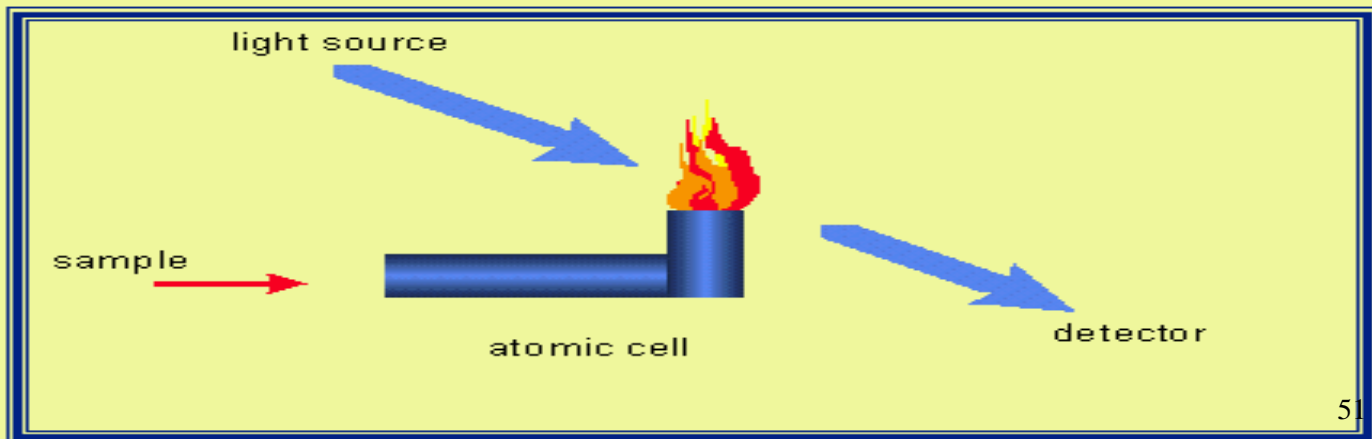
- **Flame AAS**
- **Graphite Furnace AAS**
- **Hydride Generation AAS**
- **Cold-Vapor Mercury AAS**



AA Techniques

➤ Flame AAS

- ✓ **Air-Acetylene (~2100oC) or Nitrous Oxide (~2300oC) Flames allow the determination of most Metals with high-PPB / low-PPM Detection Limits**
- ✓ **Simplest atomization of gas/solution/solid**
- ✓ **Laminar flow burner - stable "sheet" of flame**
- ✓ **Flame atomization best for reproducibility (precision) (<1%)**
- ✓ **Relatively insensitive - incomplete volatilization, short time in flame**



Flame Atomizers (Continuous Atomizers)

Burner Assembly:

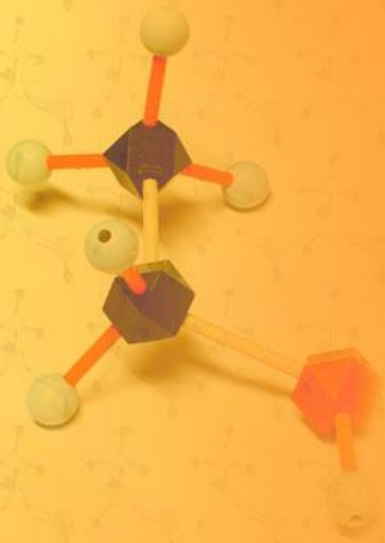
Design: Polyethylene Pre-mix chamber, glass impact bead dispersion

Burner Head: Titanium; air-acetylene head - 4" x 0.026" single slot(nitrous oxide head - 2" x 0.019" single slot)

Adjustments: Horizontal g

1. The simplest is a turbulent flow burner that is very similar to conventional Bunsen burner. This type of burner suffers from fluctuations in temperature since there is no good mechanism for homogeneous mixing of fuel and oxidant. The drop size of nebulized sample is also inhomogeneous which adds to fluctuations in signal. The path length of radiation through the flame is small which suggests a lower sensitivity of the technique.

- **Turbulent flow burners** are also susceptible to flashback. These drawbacks were overcome using the most widely used laminar flow burner where quite flames and long path length are obtained. Flashback is avoided and very homogeneous mixing between fuel, oxidant, and droplets take place. Larger droplets are excluded and directed to a waste container. A schematic representation of the burner is shown below:



Nebulizer

5. It burns as a smooth, laminar flame evenly distributed along a narrow slot.

4. The mixture flows immediately into the burner head.

Burner head

Burner head locking ring

Pressure relief vents

Flow spoiler retaining screw

3. The result is a heterogeneous mixture of gases (fuel + oxidant) and suspended aerosol (finely dispersed sample).

Flow spoiler (Panton plastic)

2. A negative pressure is formed at the end of the small diameter, plastic nebulizer tube → (aspiration).

1. mixes acetylene (the fuel) and oxidant (air or nitrous oxide).

Auxiliary oxidant

Fuel

Nebulizer adjusting knob

Sample capillary

Nebulizer

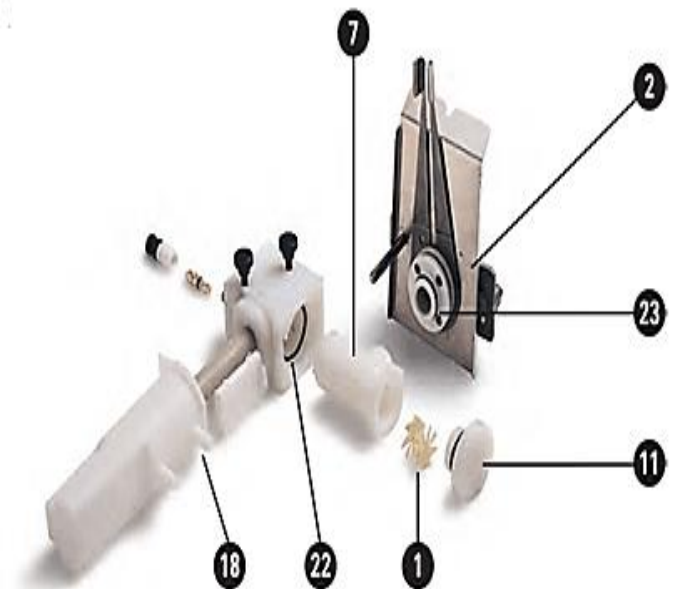
6. Liquid sample not flowing into the flame collects in the waste.

To waste

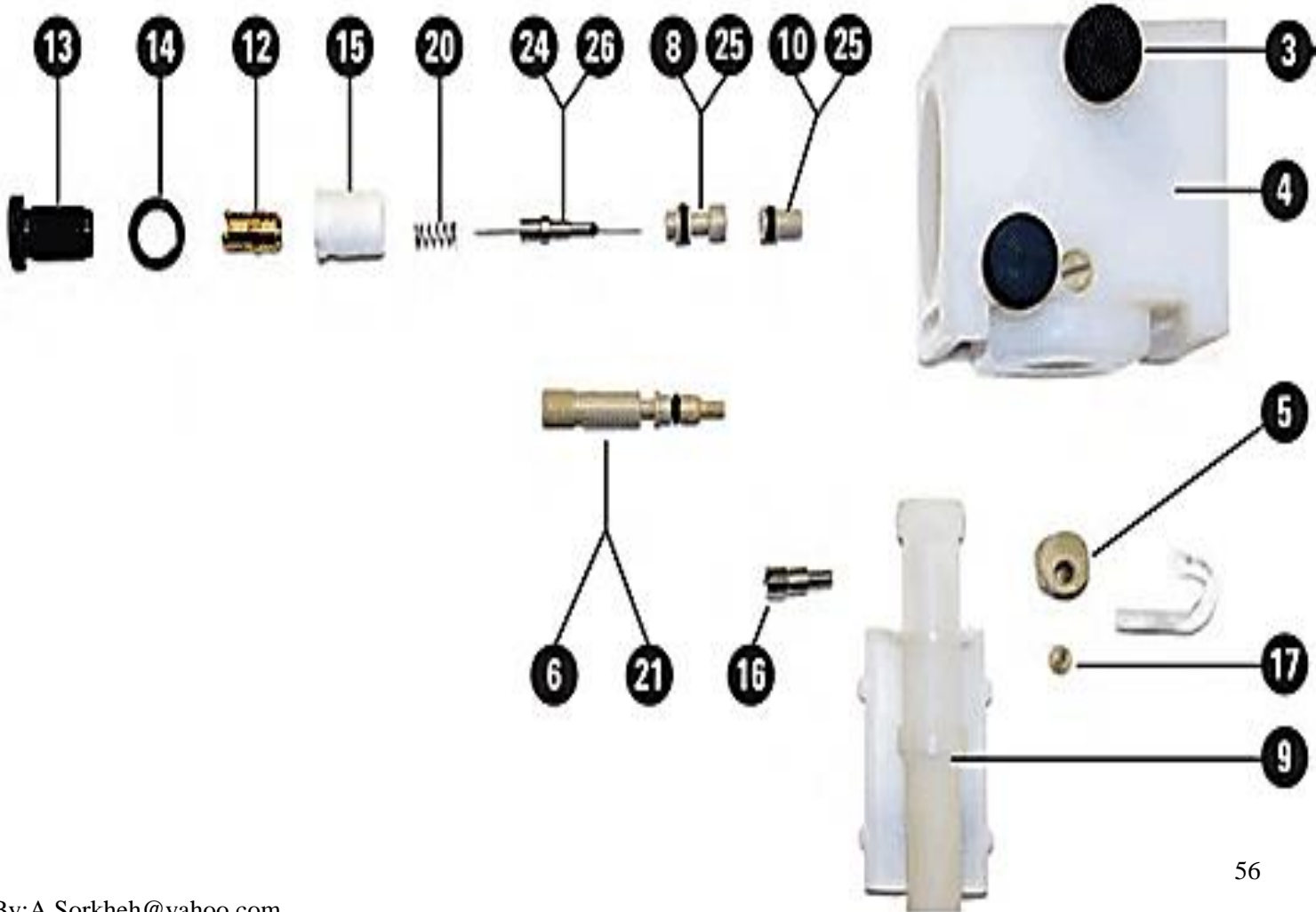
Nebulizer oxidant

Spray Chamber

Item	Description
1	Mixing paddle, fluorinated, 1/pk
	Mixing paddles, fluorinated, 5/pk
2	Mark 7 air/acetylene burner
	Mark 7 nitrous oxide/acetylene burner
Not Shown	Burner cleaning and alignment card, 100/pk
7	Spray chamber body, fluorinated
11	Pressure relief bung, fluorinated
	O-ring for spray chamber bung, nitrile for aqueous solutions
	O-ring for spray chamber bung, organic solvent compatible
18	Kit, fluorinated liquid trap, drain tube with integrated float and magnet
22	O-ring spray chamber, nitrile
	O-ring spray chamber, organic solvent compatible
23	O-ring burner base, nitrile for aqueous solutions
	O-ring burner base, organic solvent compatible



Exploded view of nebulizer block from the spray chamber



Item	Description
3	Spray chamber screw mounting
4	Nebulizer block, fluorinated (excludes integrated nebulizer)
5	Clamp bead adjuster
6	Screw bead adjuster
8	Nebulizer capillary guide
9	Kit, fluorinated liquid trap, drain tube with integrated float and magnet
10	Venturi nebulizer, PEEK
12	Clamp bush guide
13	Screw capillary adjuster
14	Nut lock M12 x 0.5
15	Bearing bush nebulizer
16	Screw lock dog point M8
17	Screw M6 x 6 Ertalyte
18	Kit, fluorinated liquid trap, drain tube with integrated float and magnet
20	Spring nebulizer
21	O-ring screw bead adjuster, nitrile
21	O-ring screw bead adjuster organic solvent compatible
24	O-ring 1/32 in id x 3/32 in od x 1/32 in nitrile
25	O-ring 3/16 in id x 5/16 in od x 1/16 in nitrile
25	O-ring 3/16 in id x 5/16 in od x 1/16 in organic solvent compatible
26	Nebulizer Capillary Kit Includes capillary assembly, capillary guide, nebulizer spring, nebulizer cleaning wire ,Hi-Vac capillary tubing and standard capillary tubing
Not Shown	Glass impact beads, 5/pk
Not Shown	PTFE impact beads (for use with HF digests), 5/pk
Not Shown	Mark 7 O-ring kit, for aqueous samples. Includes O-rings to suit screw bead adjuster (1 ea), nebulizer capillary assembly (1 ea), capillary guide and venturi (7 ea), spray chamber bung and burner (3 ea), and nebulizer block (1 ea).
Not Shown	Mark 7 O-ring kit, for organic solvents. Includes O-rings to suit screw bead adjuster (1 ea), nebulizer capillary assembly (1 ea), capillary guide and venturi (2 ea), spray chamber bung and burner (2 ea), and nebulizer block (1 ea).
Not Shown	Drain tubing for aqueous solutions, per meter, 2 m length required
Not Shown	Drain tubing for organic solvents, nitrile rubber, per meter, 2 m length required
Not Shown	Venturi extraction tool
Not Shown	Nebulizer capillary extraction tool

Advantages:

1. Uniform dropsize
2. Homogeneous flame
3. Quiet flame and a long path length

Disadvantages:

1. Flash back if $V_{\text{burning}} > V_{\text{flow}}$
2. ~90% of sample is lost
3. Large mixing volume



Types of Flame/Flame Structure – selection of correct flame region is important for optimal performance

a) primary combustion zone – blue inner cone (blue due to emission from C_2 , CH & other radicals)

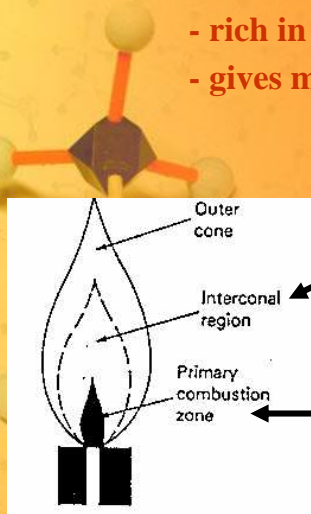
- not in thermal equilibrium and not used

b) interconal region

- region of highest temperature (rich in free atoms)
- often used in spectroscopy
- can be narrower in some flames (hydrocarbon) tall in others (acetylene)

c) outer cone

- cooler region
- rich in O_2 (due to surrounding air)
- gives metal oxide formation

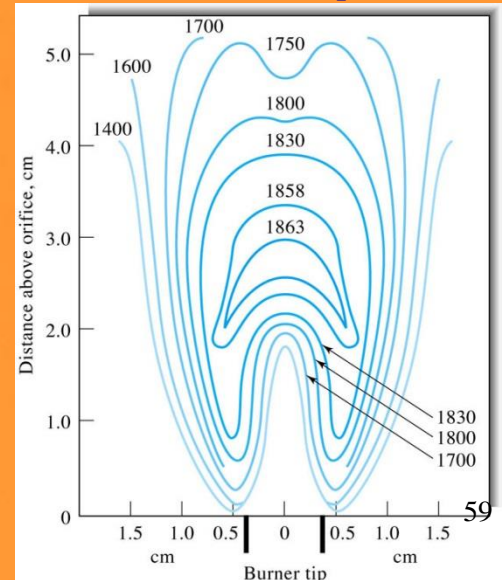


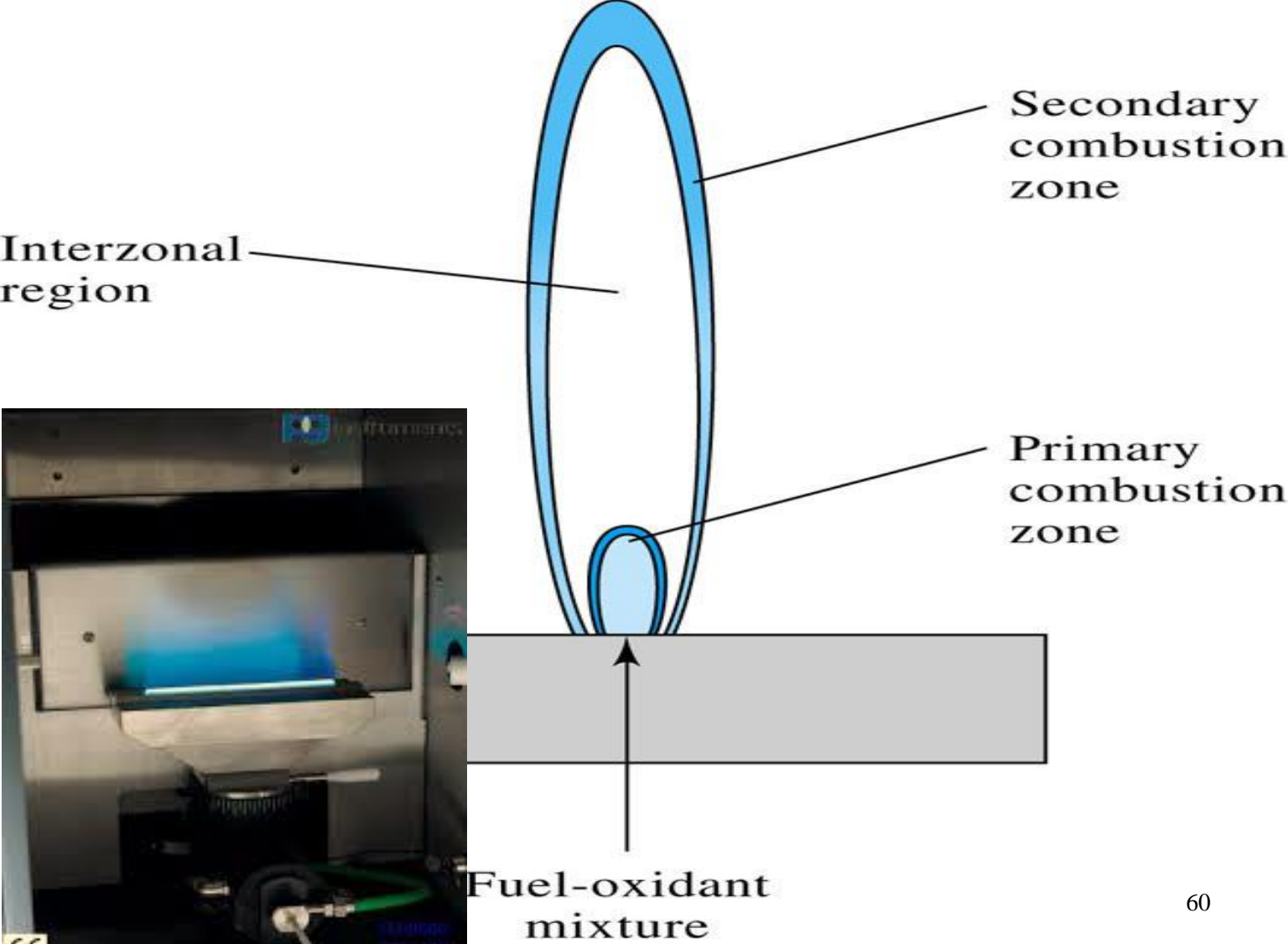
Primary region for spectroscopy

Not in thermal equilibrium and not used for spectroscopy

Flame profile: depends on type of fuel and oxidant and mixture ration

Temperature varies across flame – need to focus on correct part of flame



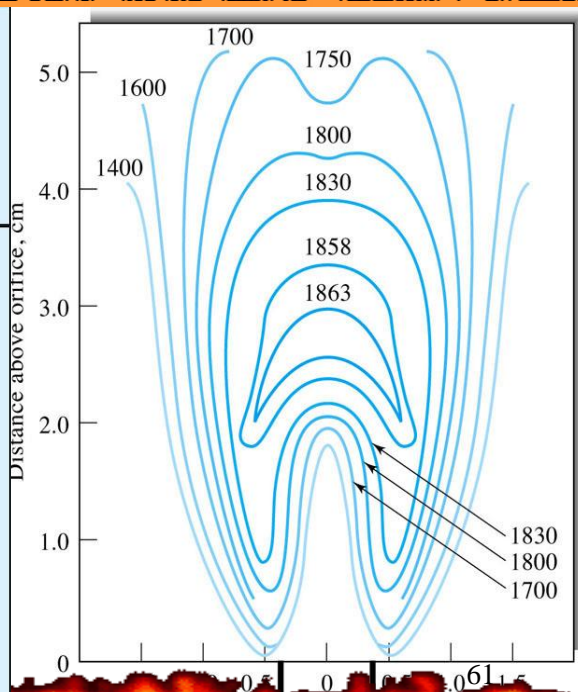


➤ FLAMES in AAS

- i. Different mixes and flow rates give different temperature profile in flame
 - gives different degrees of excitation of compounds in path of light source



Fuel	Oxidant	Temperature, °C	Maximum Burning Velocity, cm s ⁻¹
Natural gas	Air	1700–1900	39–43
Natural gas	Oxygen	2700–2800	370–390
Hydrogen	Air	2000–2100	300–440
Hydrogen	Oxygen	2550–2700	900–1400
Acetylene	Air	2100–2400	158–266
Acetylene	Oxygen	3050–3150	1100–2480
Acetylene	Nitrous oxide	2600–2800	285

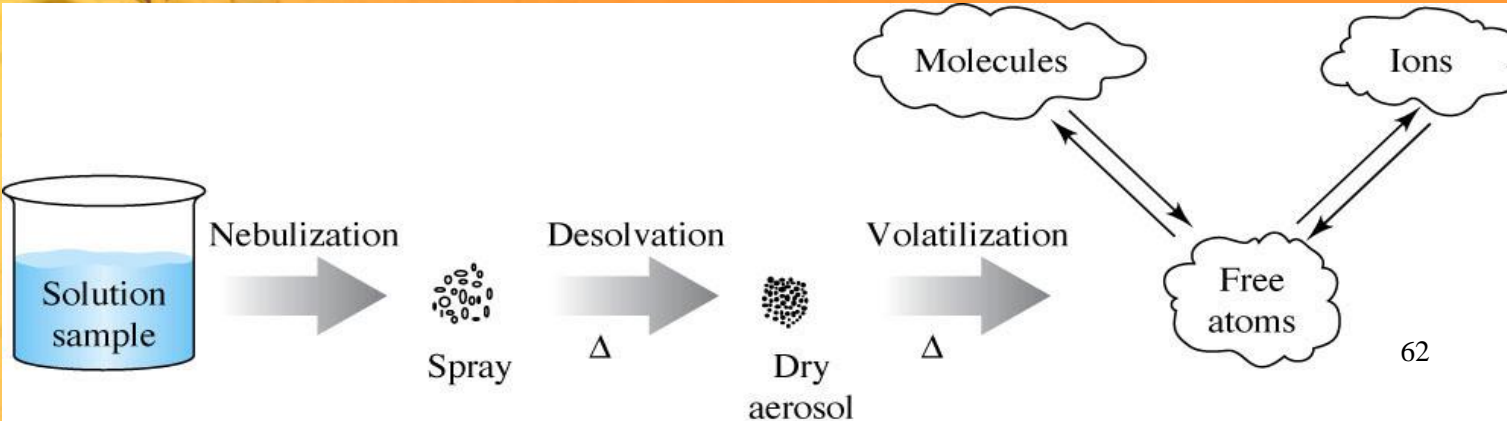


Sample Atomization – expose sample to flame or high-temperature

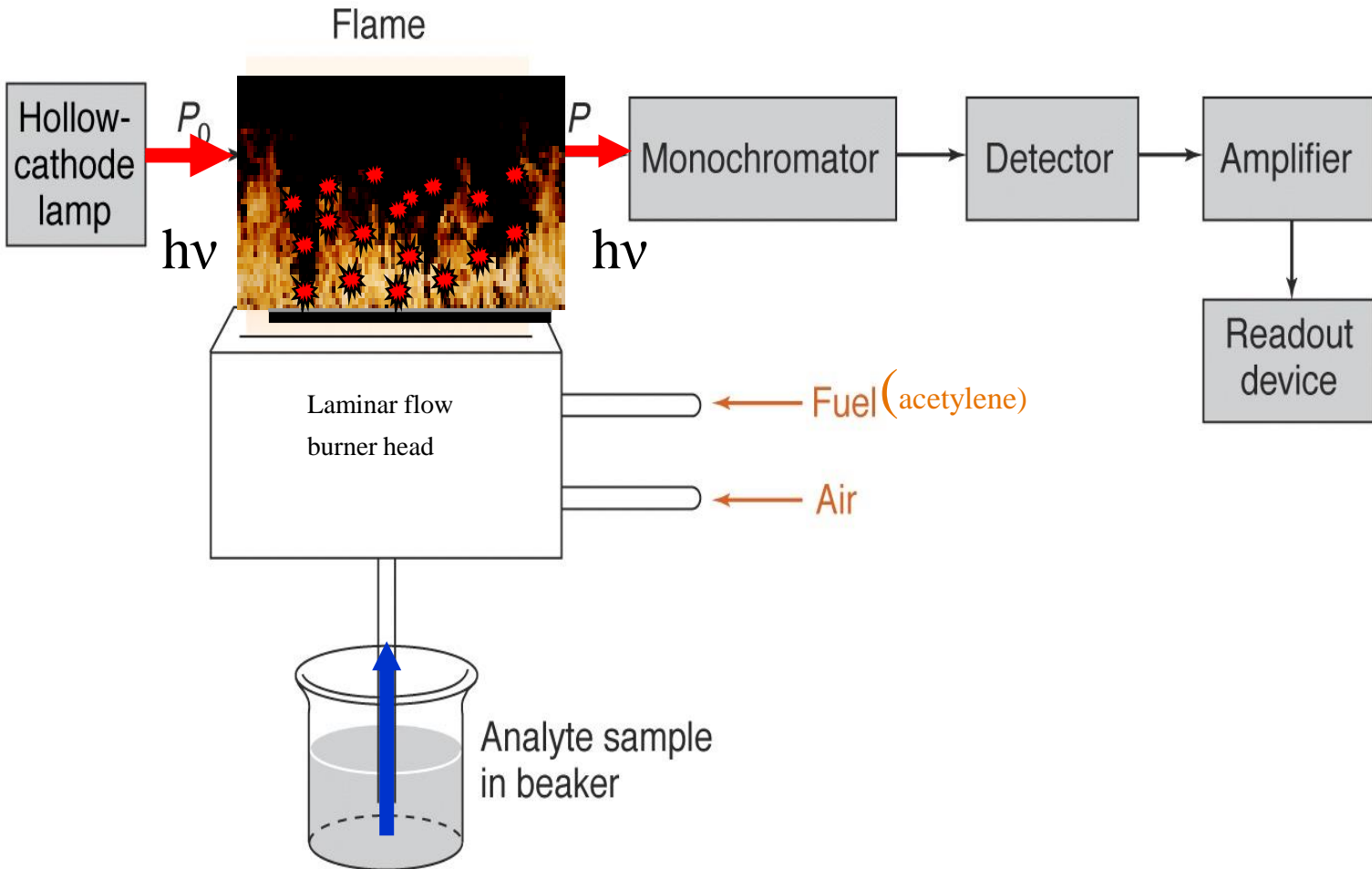
i. Need to break sample into atoms to observe atomic spectra

ii. Basic steps:

- a) Nebulization – solution sample, get into fine droplets by spraying thru thin nozzle or passing over vibrating crystal.
- b) Desolvation - heat droplets to evaporate off solvent just leaving analyte and other matrix compounds
- c) Volatilization – convert solid analyte/matrix particles into gas phase
- d) Dissociation – break-up molecules in gas phase into atoms.
- e) Ionization – cause the atoms to become charged
- f) Excitation – with light, heat, etc. for spectra measurement.



- Flame Atomization



Sample Introduction Methods

- The sample is in **solution** or **solid** form??
- The method for sample introduction in atomic spectroscopy affects the:



✓ **precision**

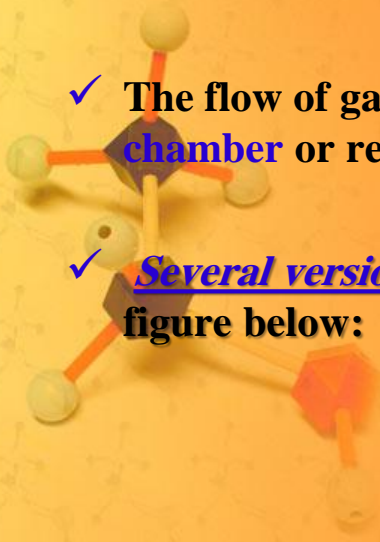
✓ **accuracy**

✓ **detection limit**

Introduction of Solution Samples

1. Pneumatic Nebulizers

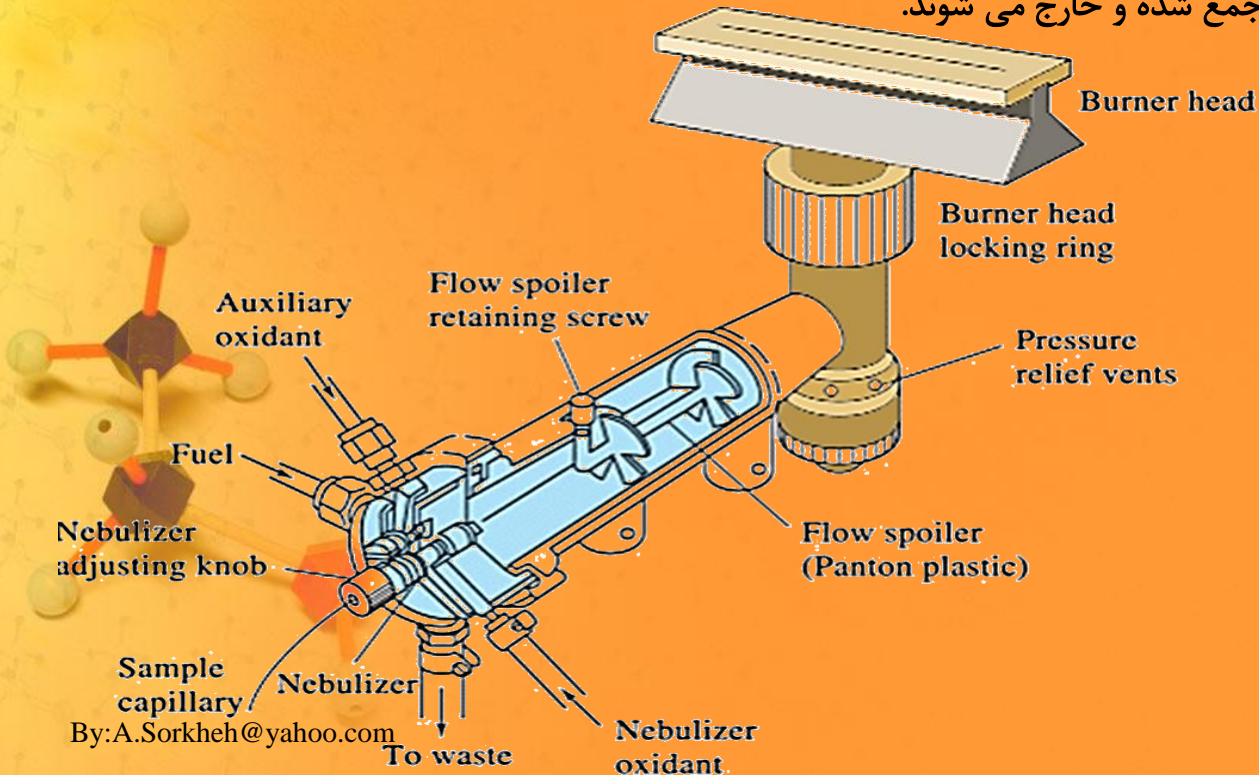
- ✓ For Samples in **solution**
- ✓ Nebulization **converts** the *solution* into an *aerosol* of very fine droplets using a *jet of compressed gas*.
- ✓ The flow of gas carries the aerosol droplets to the **atomization chamber** or region.
- ✓ *Several versions of nebulizers* are available and few are shown in the figure below:



1. Pneumatic Nebulizers

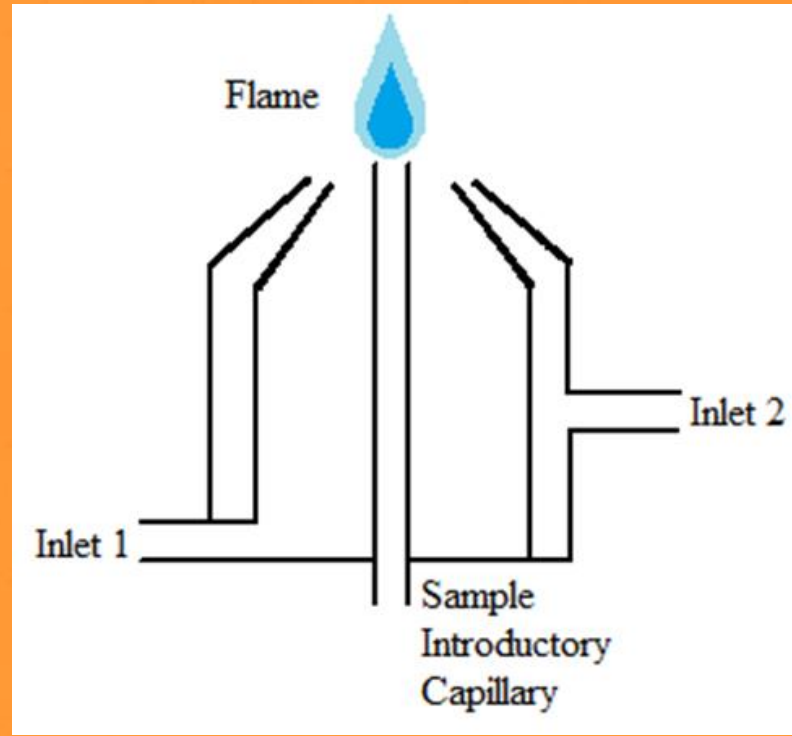
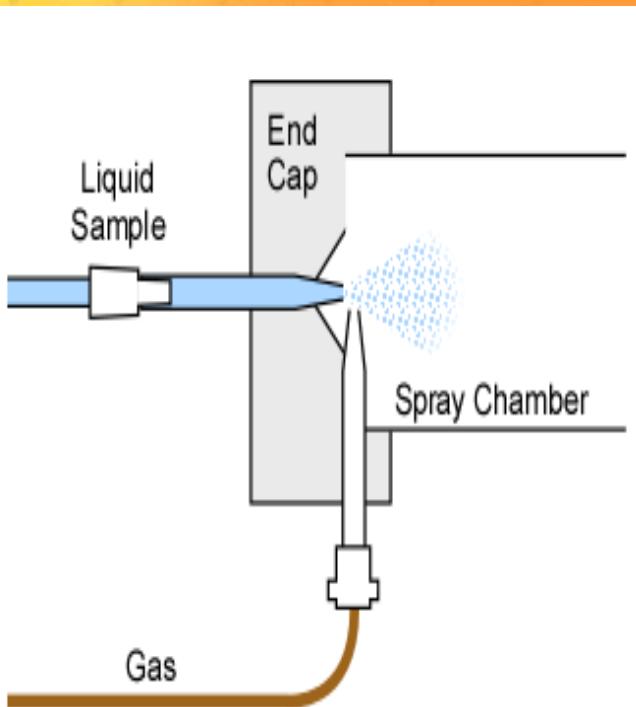
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نمونه به داخل یک محفظه بزرگ به وسیله جریانی از اکسنده مکیده می شود؛ در اینجا مه رقیق نمونه اکسنده و سوخت مخلوط می گردند و سپس به طرف دهانه مشعل رانده می شوند. قطرات بزرگتر نمونه در ته محفظه جمع شده و خارج می شوند.

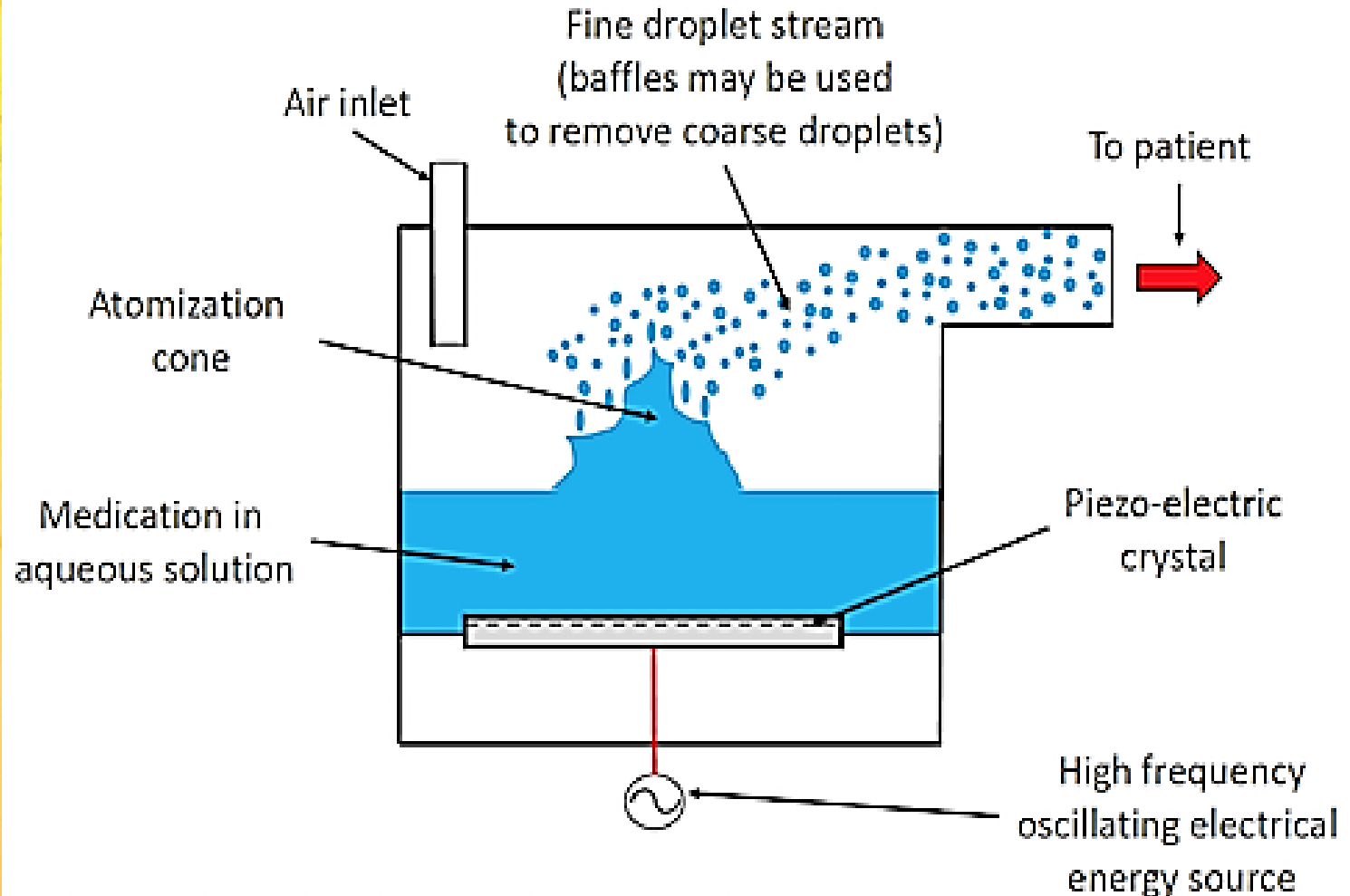


مشعل تمام مصرف کن

- محلول، سوخت و گاز اکسنده از راهروهای جداگانه انتقال داده شده و دهانه ای در پایه شعله با یکدیگر مخلوط می گردند.



2. Ultrasonic Nebulizers



Ultrasonic Nebulizers

- Samples are pumped onto the surface of a piezoelectric crystal that vibrates in the kHz to MHz range.
- Such vibrations *convert* samples into *homogeneous aerosols* that can be driven into atomizers.
- Ultrasonic nebulization is preferred over pneumatic nebulization since finer droplets and more homogeneous aerosols are usually achieved.
- However, most *instruments use pneumatic nebulization.*

3. Electrothermal Vaporization

- An accurately measured quantity of sample (few mL) is introduced into an **electrically heated cylindrical chamber** through which an inert gas flows.
- Usually, the cylinder is made of **pyrolytic carbon** but tungsten cylinders are now available.
- The signal produced by instruments which use electrothermal vaporization (ETV) is a discrete signal for each sample injection.
- Electrothermal vaporizers are called **discrete atomizers** to differentiate them from nebulizers which are called **continuous atomizers**

AA Techniques

➤ GRAPHITE FURNACE(Flameless atomizer)

- ✓ (GFAAS) Graphite Furnace Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy
- ✓ (ETAAS) Electro thermal Atomic Absorption Spectrometry

Uses extremely **SMALL** sample volumes (20 μ L) .

GFAAS Mechanism

i. Runs a Temperature PROGRAM to DRY any liquid

ii. CHAR or ASH away any organic or matrix

iii. ATOMIZE the Analyte for PPB levels

➤ **GFAAS requires a source of Cooling Water and Argon Gas to operate**

Graphite furnace tube

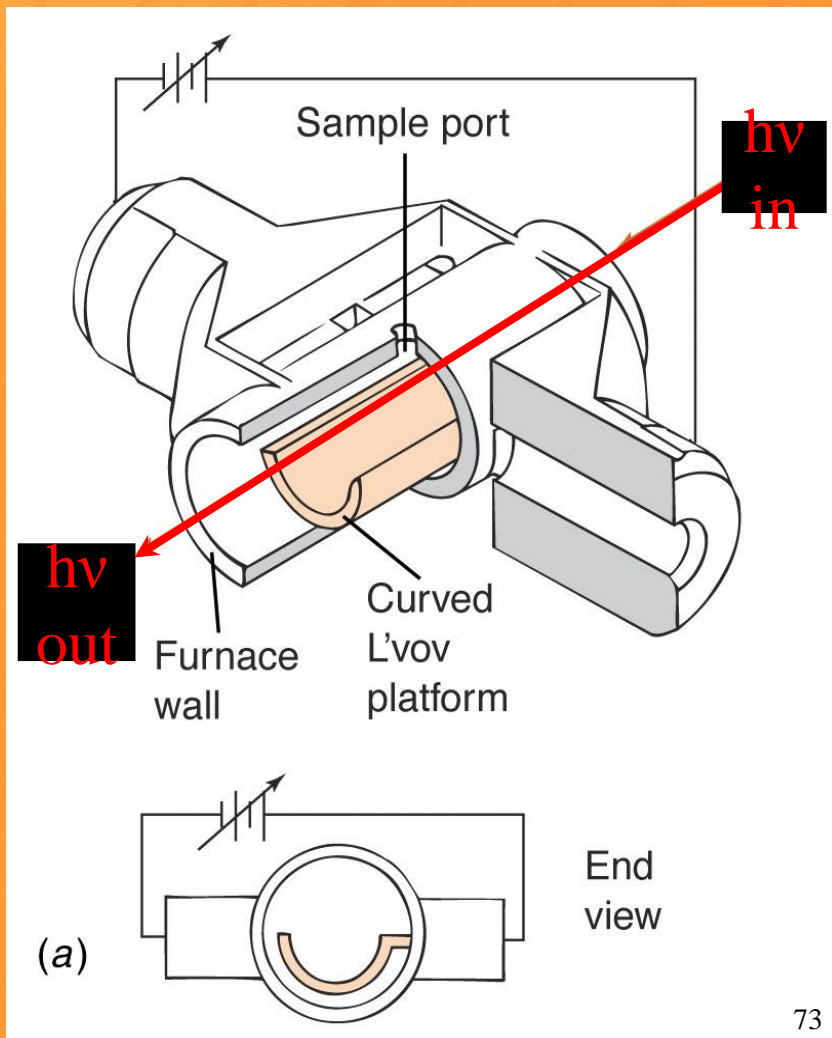



Advantages:

- highly sensitive down to pg of analyte
- long residence time
- more efficient than flame
- use with solid samples

Disadvantages:

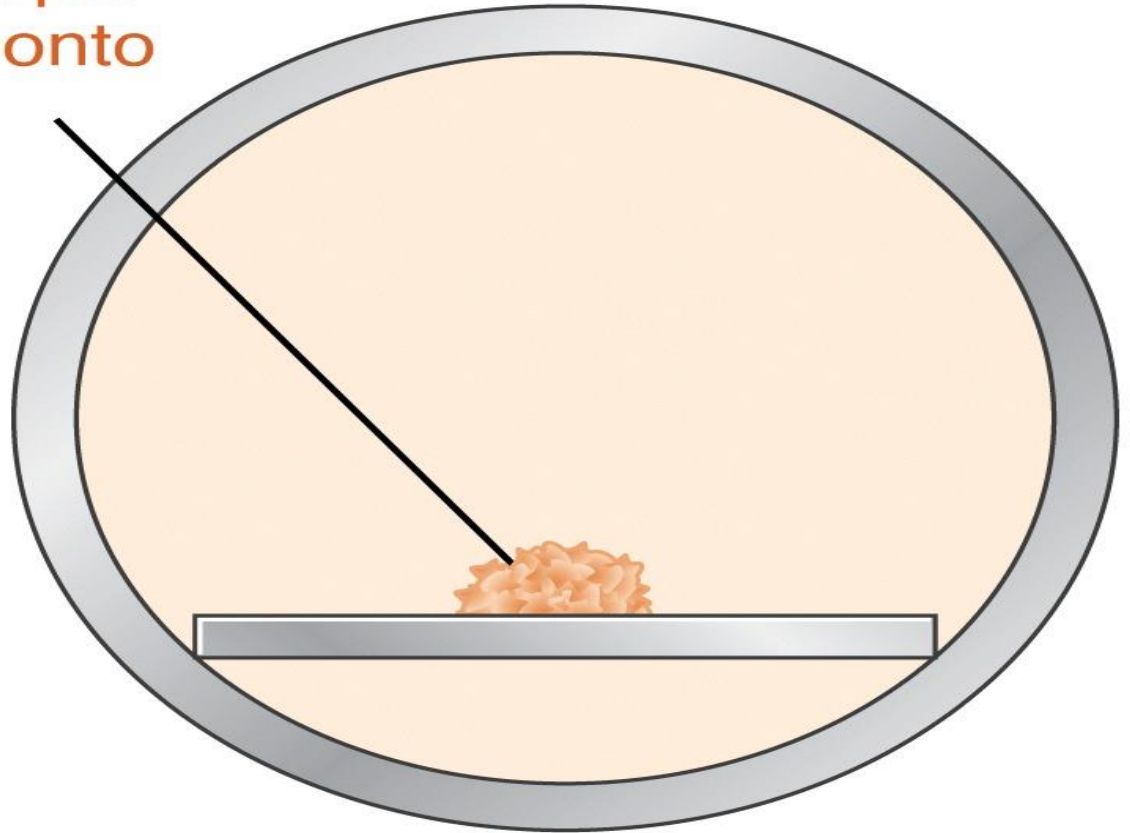
- poor reproducibility
- small analytical range



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- ✓ **Small sample**
 - ✓ **Formation of stable Thermal oxide (Al, Mo, Ti)**
 - ✓ **Residual elements**
 - ✓ **Biological samples**
 - ✓ **Effective atomization**
 - ✓ **Sample stay for Long time in graphite tube>>>high sensitivety**
 - ✓ **Suitable for solid samples**
 - ✓ **Ionic interference** rather than chemical or physical **due to high temp.**

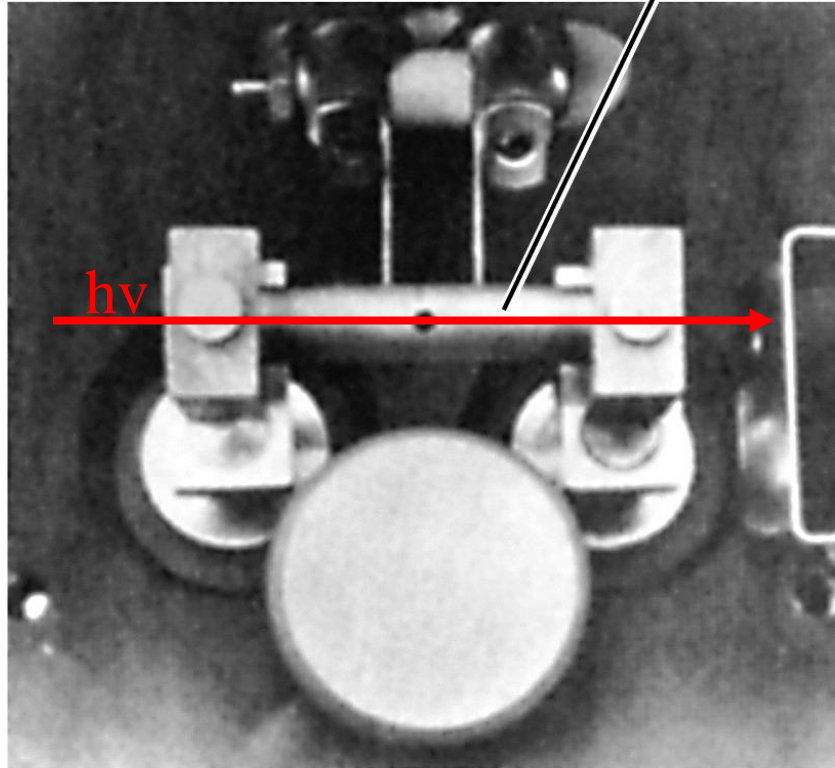
The L'vov platform

Solid sample
weighed onto
graphite
platform



Direct solid sampling
— end view of furnace

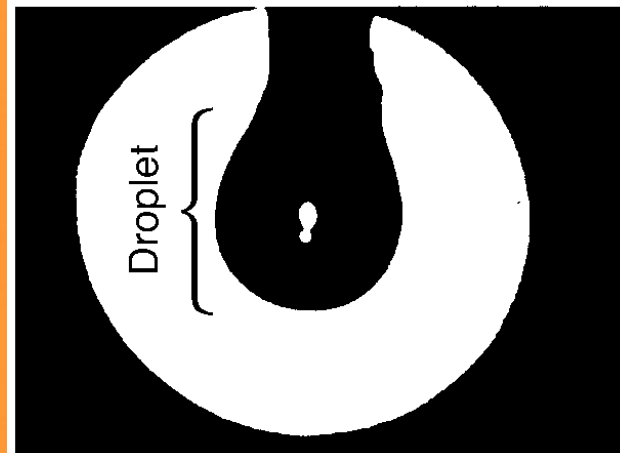
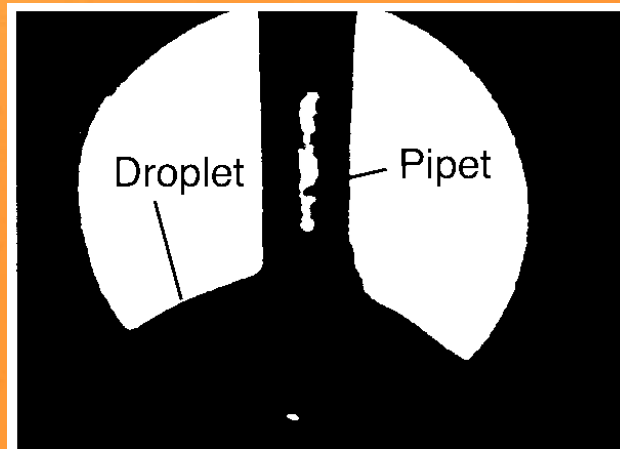
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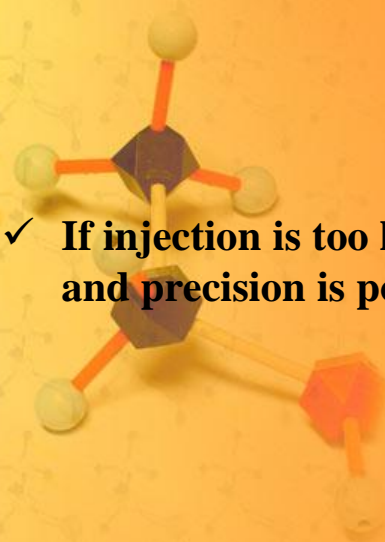
source

detector

- ✓ **Correct position for injecting sample into graphite furnace**



- ✓ **If injection is too high, sample splatters and precision is poor**



Heating profiles comparing
analyte vaporization from
walls and from platform

Furnace wall
temperature

Temperature →

(note constant T)

From
platform

From wall

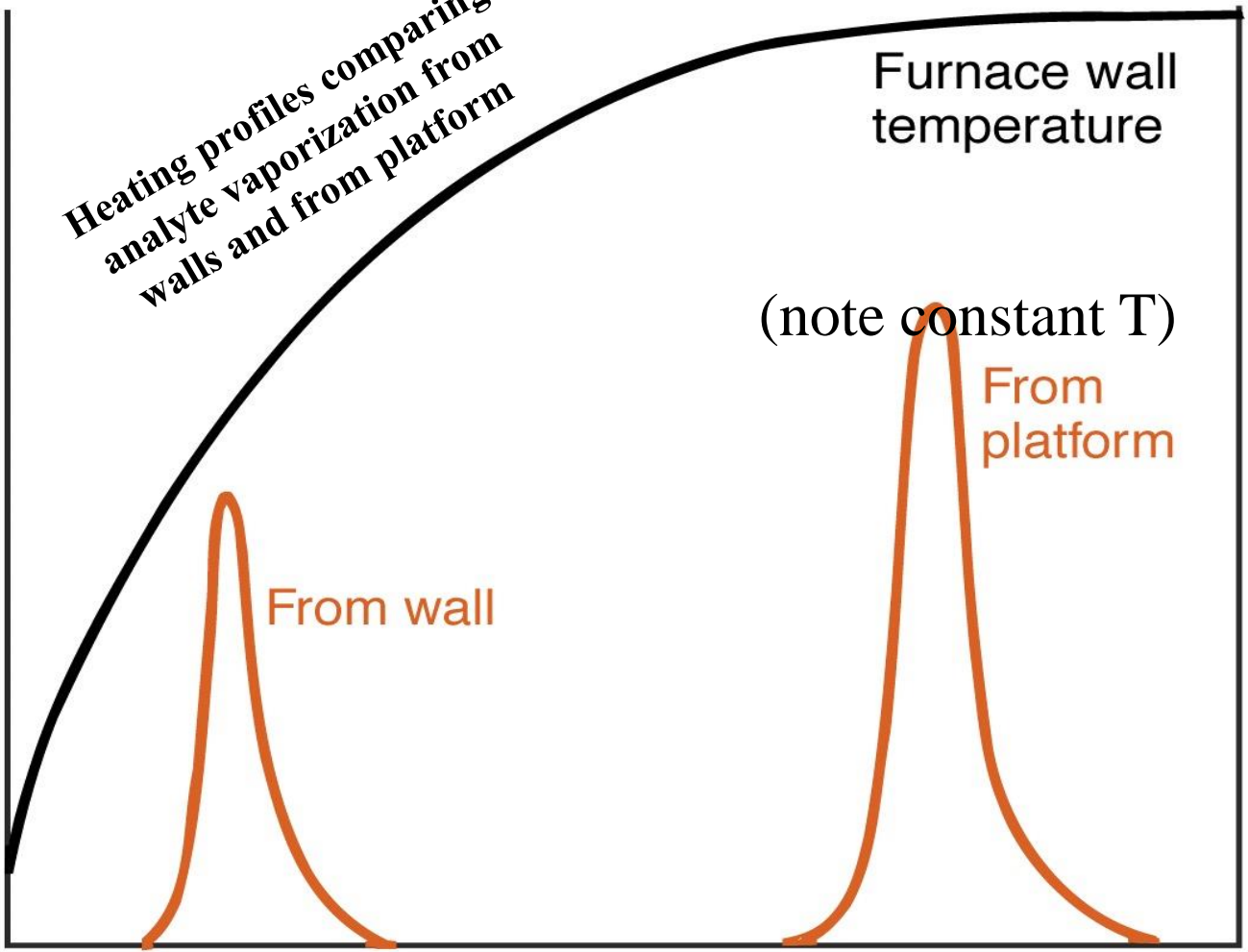
Absorbance →

not reliable

reliable

(b)

Time →



The Graphit furnace temperature program

1.Drying

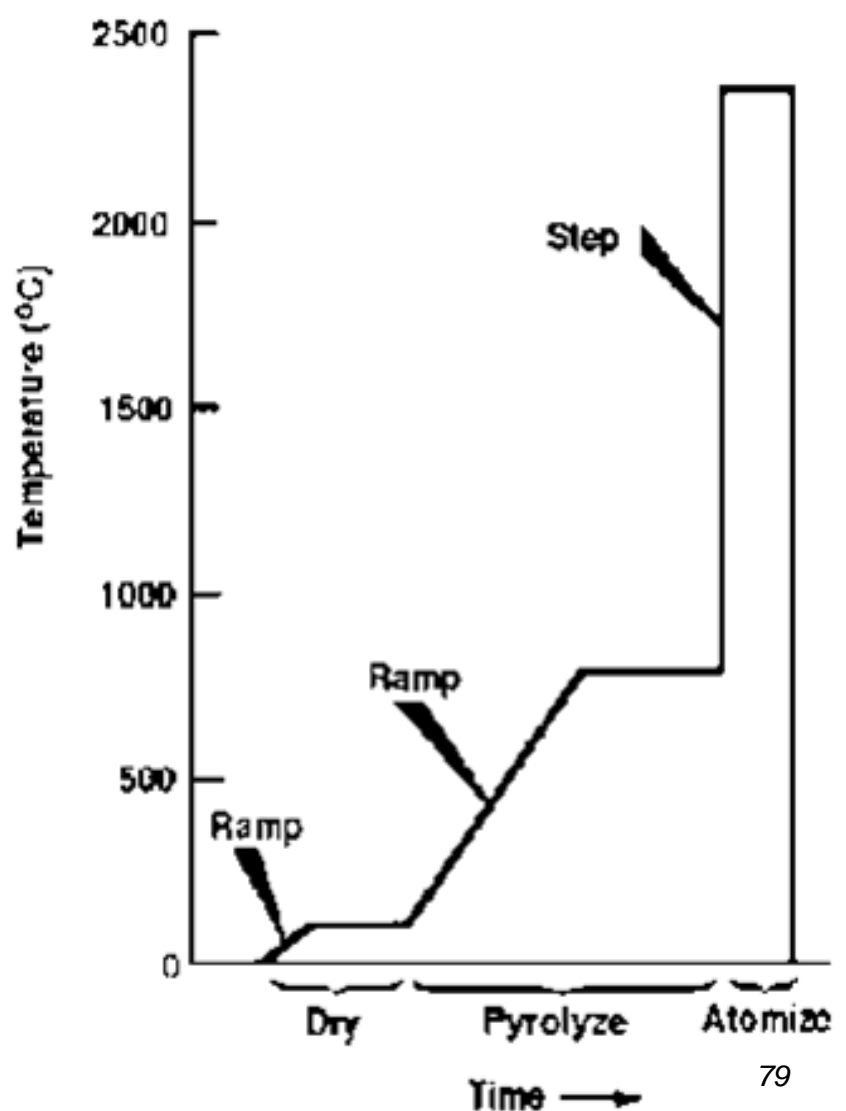
2.Pyrolysis

3.Cool own(Optional)

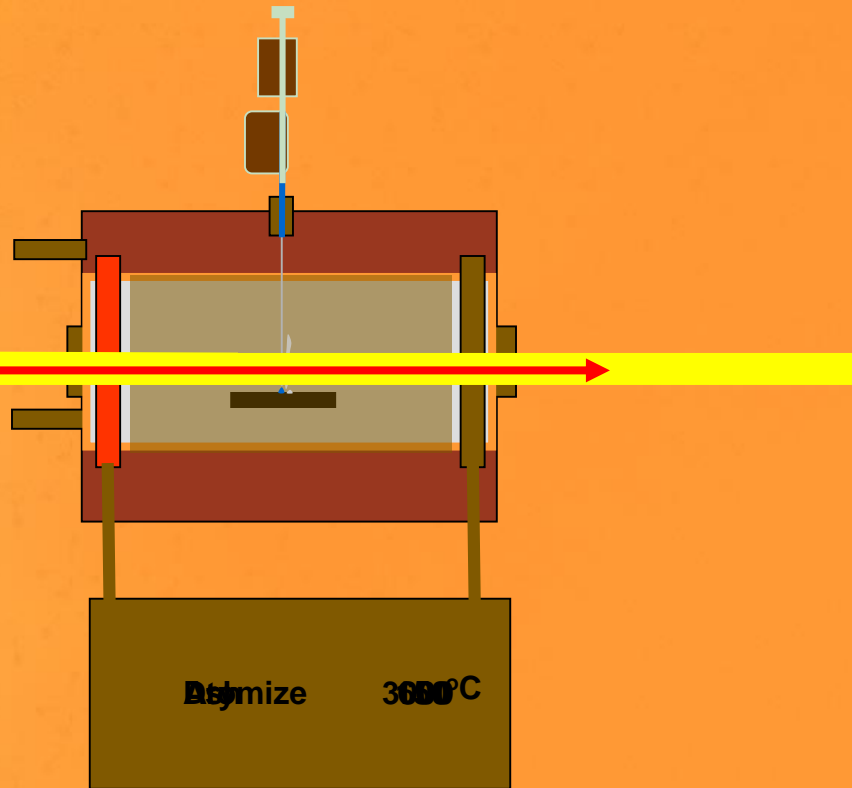
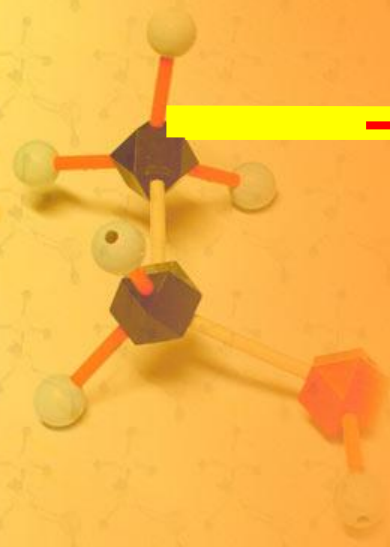
4.Atomization

5.Clean Out

6.Cool Down



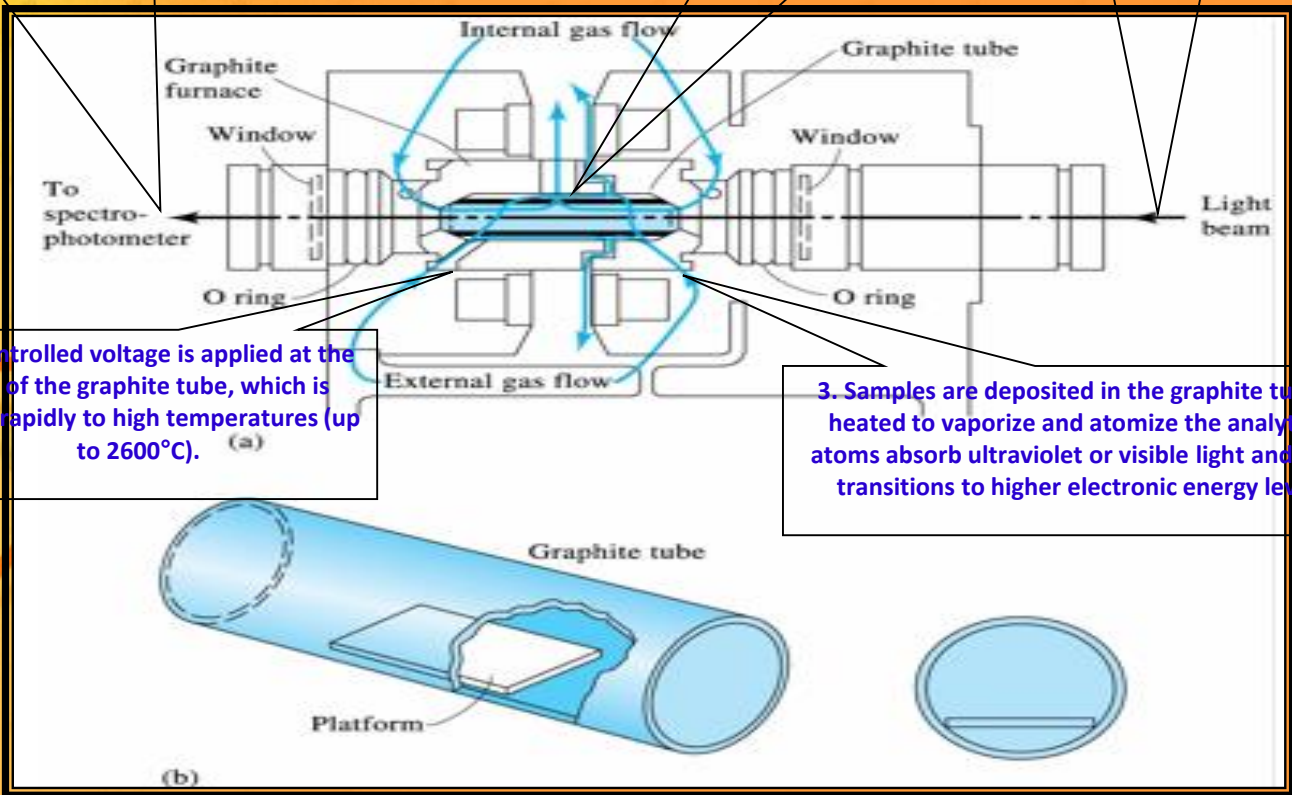
Graphite Furnace



5. The monochromator isolates the light of the element of interest from the background lights to the PMT. The PMT tube measures the change intensity.

4. The graphite tube is permanently flushed with argon while it is in operation

1. The source of light (lamp) emits light with a wavelength specific to the element of interest



2. A controlled voltage is applied at the ends of the graphite tube, which is heated rapidly to high temperatures (up to 2600°C).

3. Samples are deposited in the graphite tube → heated to vaporize and atomize the analyte → atoms absorb ultraviolet or visible light and make transitions to higher electronic energy levels.

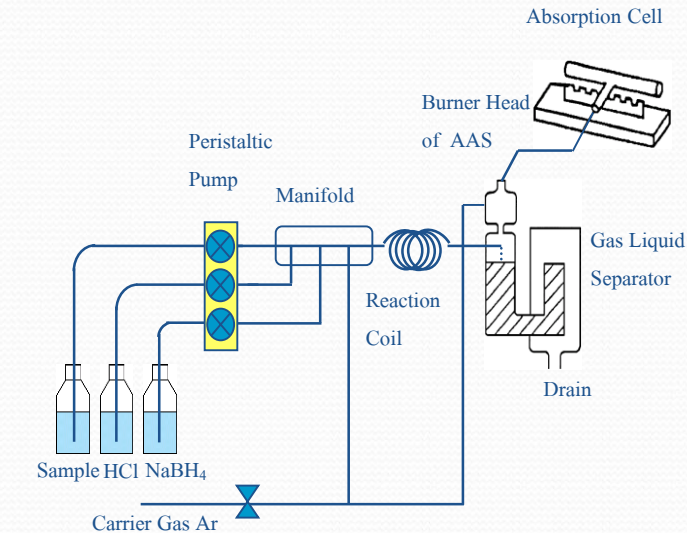
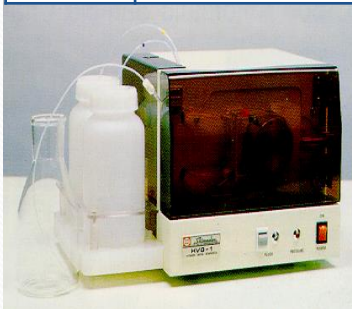
Chemical Modifiers for Specific Elements in GFAAS

Analyte	Modifier	Effect
As	Ni Pd	Permits a higher ashing temperature and enhances the signal
Cd	H ₃ PO ₄ + Mg(NO ₃) ₂ NH ₄ H ₂ PO ₄ Pd	Conversion to less volatile phosphate which atomizes at a higher temperature
Pb	H ₃ PO ₄ + Mg(NO ₃) ₂ NH ₄ H ₂ PO ₄ EDTA citrate oxalate	Permits a higher ashing temperature and stabilizes the signal

Hydride Vapor Generation Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy (HGAASC)

- As, Se, Sb, Sn, Te, Bi, Hg and other metals produce a metal hydride by this method

Element	Concentration (ppb)
As	5~20
Sb	5~20
Te	5~20
Bi	5~20
Se	10~40
Hg	20~80
Sn	30~90



Structural Diagram of Hydride Vapor

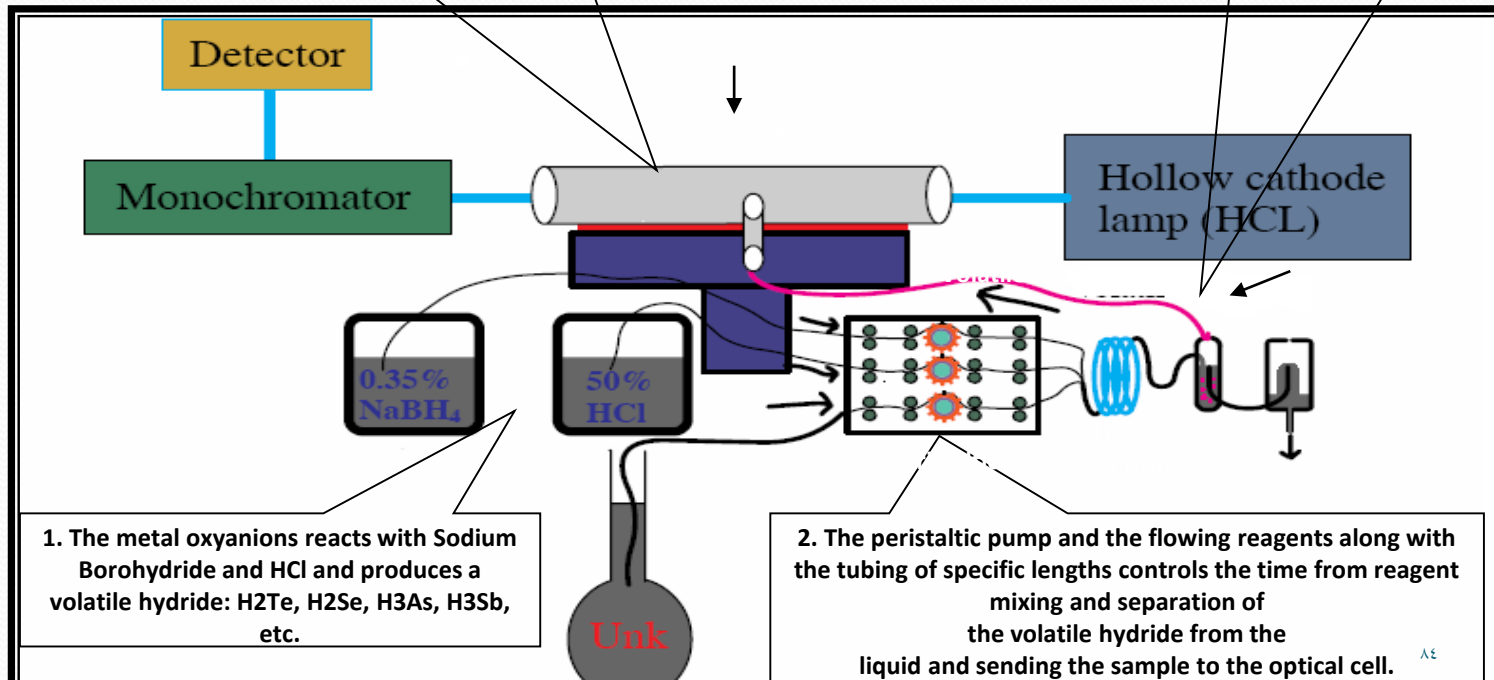
Generator

(HAAS) is very useful in case of interferences, poor reproducibility, and poor detection limits.

Sample flow in the (HGAAS)

4. In the optical cell the flame is ignited automatically by the air/ C_2H_4 and the gaseous metal hydride form decomposes into the elemental form which can absorb the HCL's beam. The light passes to the Mon. and then to the PMT

3. The liquid mixture flows into a gas/liquid separator where the hydride and some gaseous hydrogen are purged (via a high purity inert gas) into the optical cell via a gas transfer line



Mechanism of the (HGAAAS)

4. The PMT detects the amount of reduction of the light intensity due to absorption by the analyte and can be directly related to the amount of the element in the sample

1. The HCL emits the light with a wavelength characteristic to the element of interest

Detector

Monochromator

Hollow cathode lamp (HCL)

0.35% NaBH₄

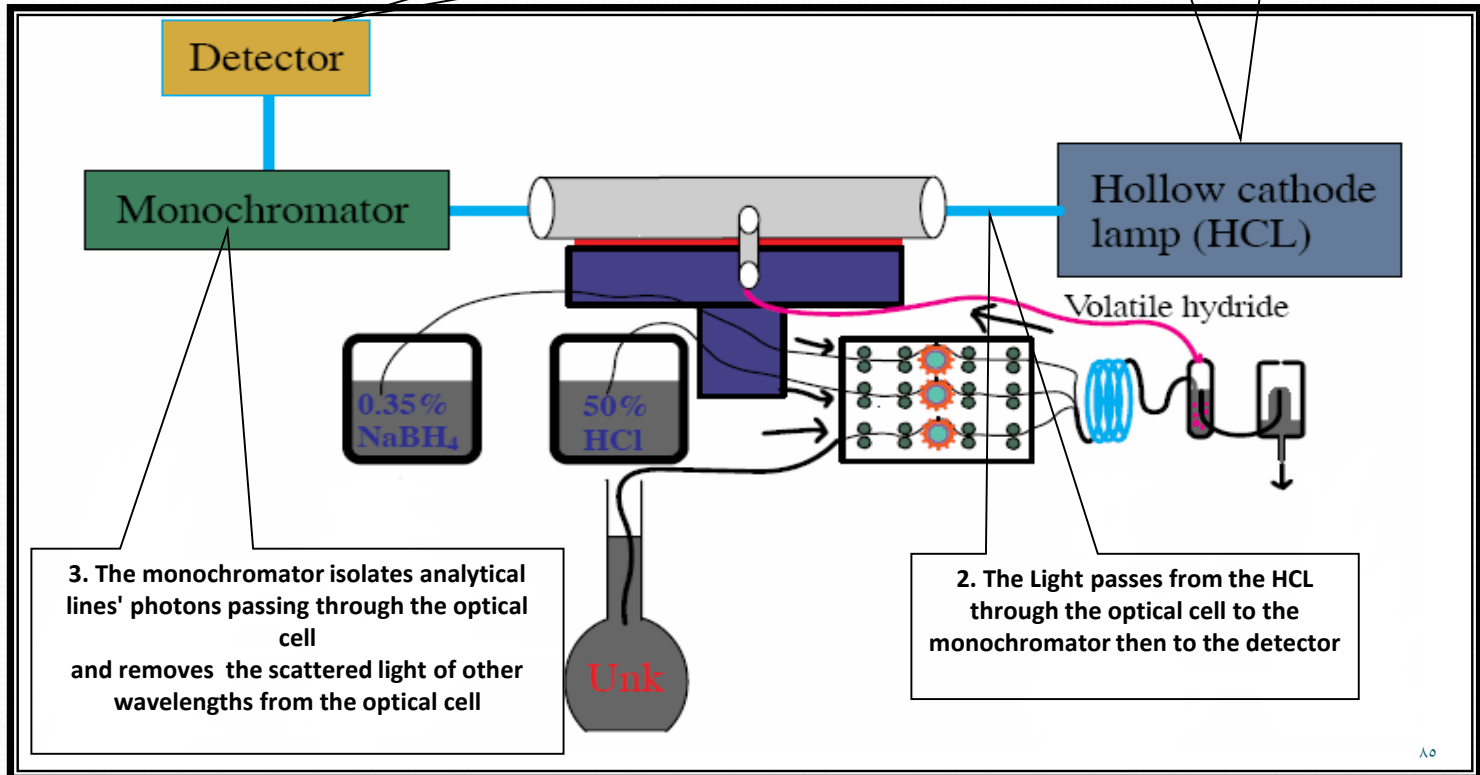
50% HCl

Volatile hydride

3. The monochromator isolates analytical lines' photons passing through the optical cell and removes the scattered light of other wavelengths from the optical cell

2. The Light passes from the HCL through the optical cell to the monochromator then to the detector

Unk



COLD-VAPOR or Flameless AAS (Mercury Cold Vapor)

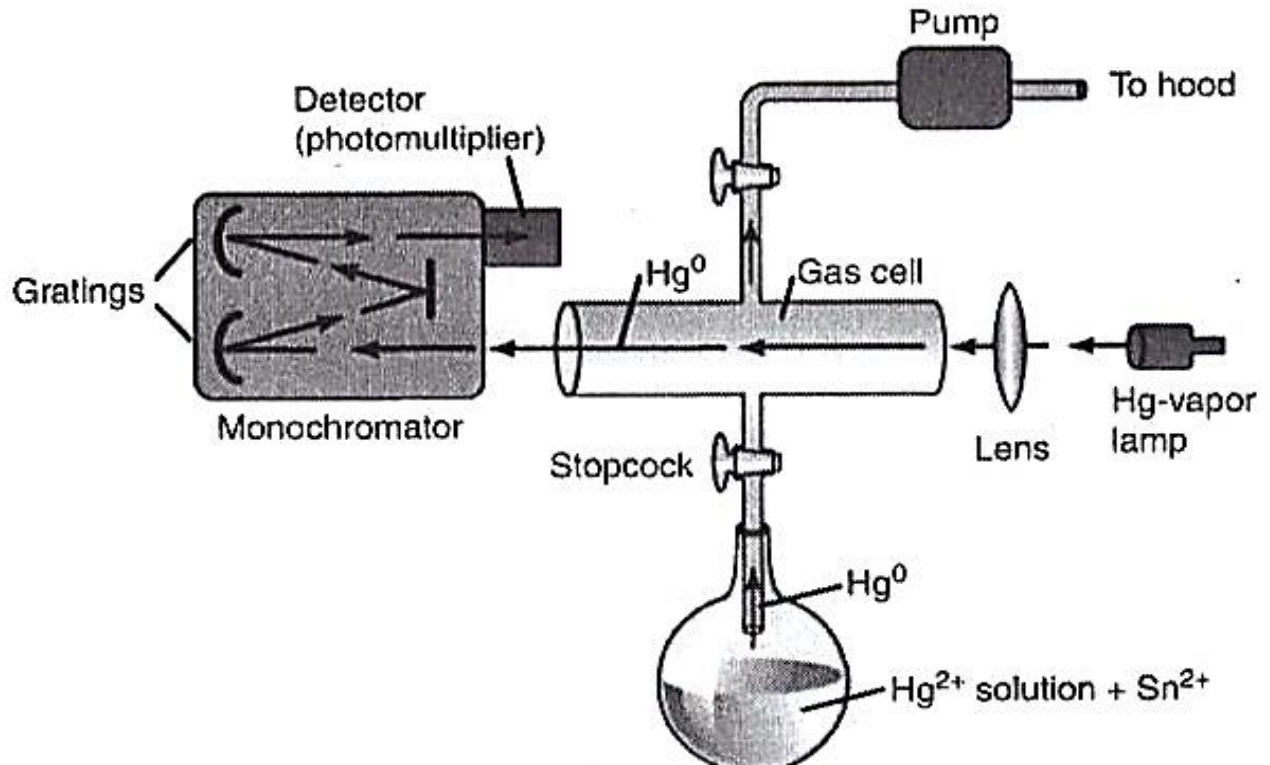
- The Metal, *MERCURY*, has the unique ability to **ABSORB** light in the Vapor state at **ROOM Temperature**. Since it does **not require any HEAT** to generate an ABS signal, this method is called **COLD-VAPOR or Flameless AAS**
- **Free mercury atoms can exist at room temperature** can be analysed using atomic absorption without employing flame and graphite furnace techniques at high temperatures.



COLD-VAPOR Mechanism

- a) Mercury is **reduced in solution** using **stannous chloride** or **sodium borohydride** in a **closed system**.
- b) The reaction quantitatively **releases mercury** (from the sample solution) and is **carried by a stream of air or argon** through a **quartz sample cell** placed in the light path of an AA instrument **for analysis**.
- ✓ The **detection limit** for mercury by this cold vapor technique is approximately **0.02 mg/L**.

Cold vapor generation



AAS Interferences

- Any factor that affects the ground state population of the analyte element.
- Factors that may affect the ability of the instrument to read this parameter.

A. Spectral interferences(Back ground Absorption of Source Radiation):

- ✓ Due to radiation overlapping than of the light source.
- ✓ Element other than the one of interest may absorb the wavelength being used

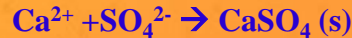
Back ground Absorption of Source Radiation Reasons

- This is caused by the presence of a particle from incomplete atomization .
- ✓ This problem is overcome by increasing the flame temperature .
- ✓ Interferences are addressed by using a good quality HCL.

B) Chemical Interference - more common than spectral interference

1) Formation of Compounds of Low Volatility

- Anions + Cations → Salt



- Decreases the amount of analyte atomized → decreases the absorbance signal

- **Avoid by:**

> increase temperature of flame (increase atom production)

> add “releasing agents” – other items that bind to interfering ions

eg. For Ca^{2+} detection add Sr^{2+}



increases Ca atoms and Ca absorbance

> add “protecting agents” – bind to analyte but are volatile

eg. For Ca^{2+} detection add EDTA^{4-}



2) Formation of Oxides/Hydroxides



A non-volatile & intense molecular absorbance



- M is analyte

- **Avoid by:**

> increase temperature of flame (increase atom production)

> use less oxidant

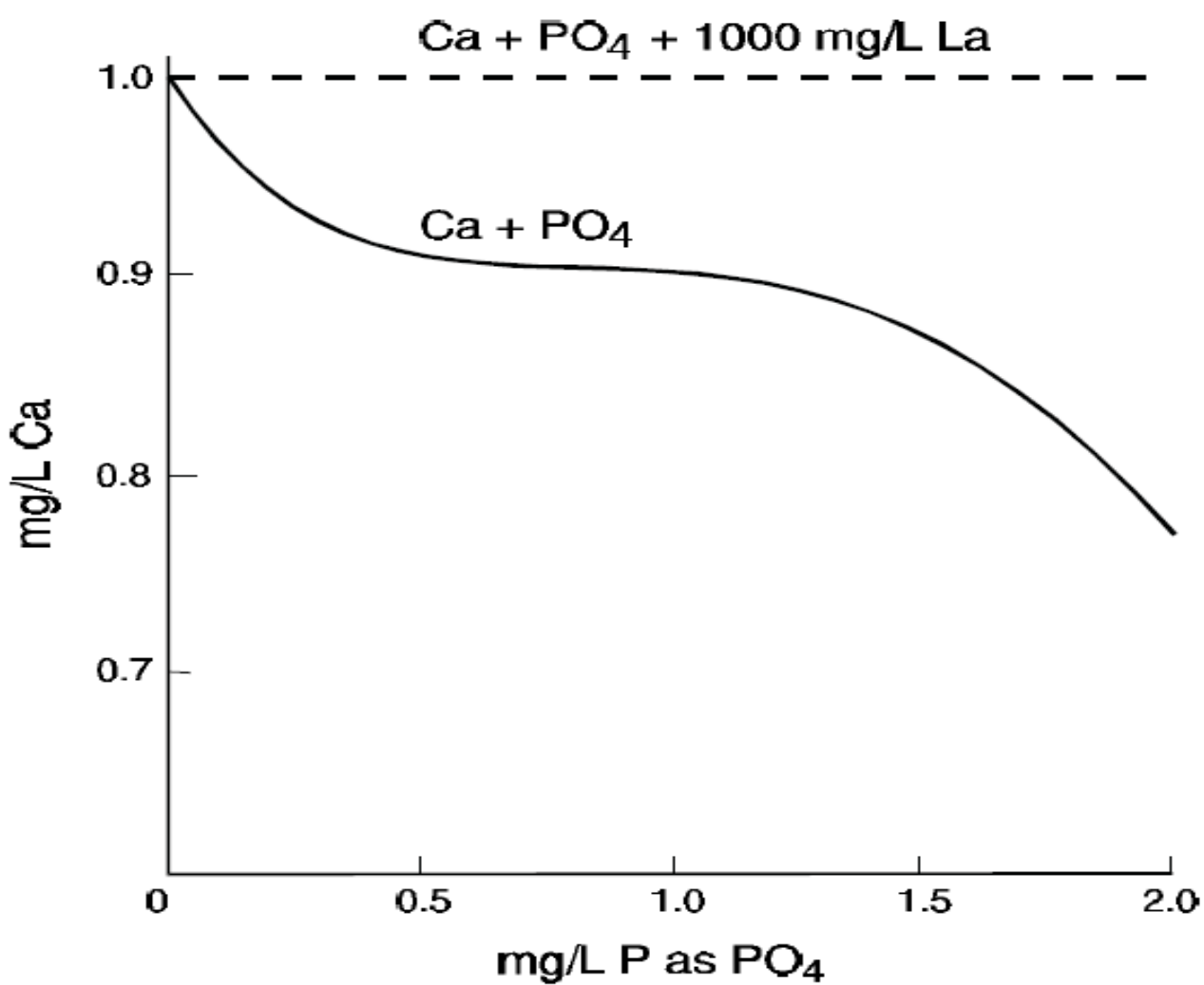


Figure 15. Interference of Phosphate on Calcium

3) Ionization Ionization of the analyte reduces the signal $M \gg M^+ + e^-$

- M is analyte

- Avoid by:

> lower temperature

> add ionization suppressor – creates high concentration of e^-

suppresses M^+ by shifting equilibrium.

TABLE 9-2 Degree of Ionization of Metals at Flame Temperatures*

Element	Ionization Potential, eV	Fraction Ionized at the Indicated Pressure and Temperature			
		$p = 10^{-4}$ atm		$p = 10^{-6}$ atm	
		2000 K	3500 K	2000 K	3500 K
Cs	3.893	0.01	0.86	0.11	>0.99
Rb	4.176	0.004	0.74	0.04	>0.99
K	4.339	0.003	0.66	0.03	0.99
Na	5.138	0.0003	0.26	0.003	0.90
Li	5.390	0.0001	0.18	0.001	0.82
Ba	5.210	0.0006	0.41	0.006	0.95
Sr	5.692	0.0001	0.21	0.001	0.87
Ca	6.111	3×10^{-5}	0.11	0.0003	0.67
Mg	7.644	4×10^{-7}	0.01	4×10^{-6}	0.09

*Data from B. L. Vallee and R. E. Thiers, in *Treatise on Analytical Chemistry*, I. M. Kolthoff and P. J. Elving, Eds., Part I, Vol. 6, p. 3500. New York: Interscience, 1965. Reprinted with permission of John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

Effect of Added Potassium

Barium { 553.5 nm Resonance
455.3 nm Ion Line

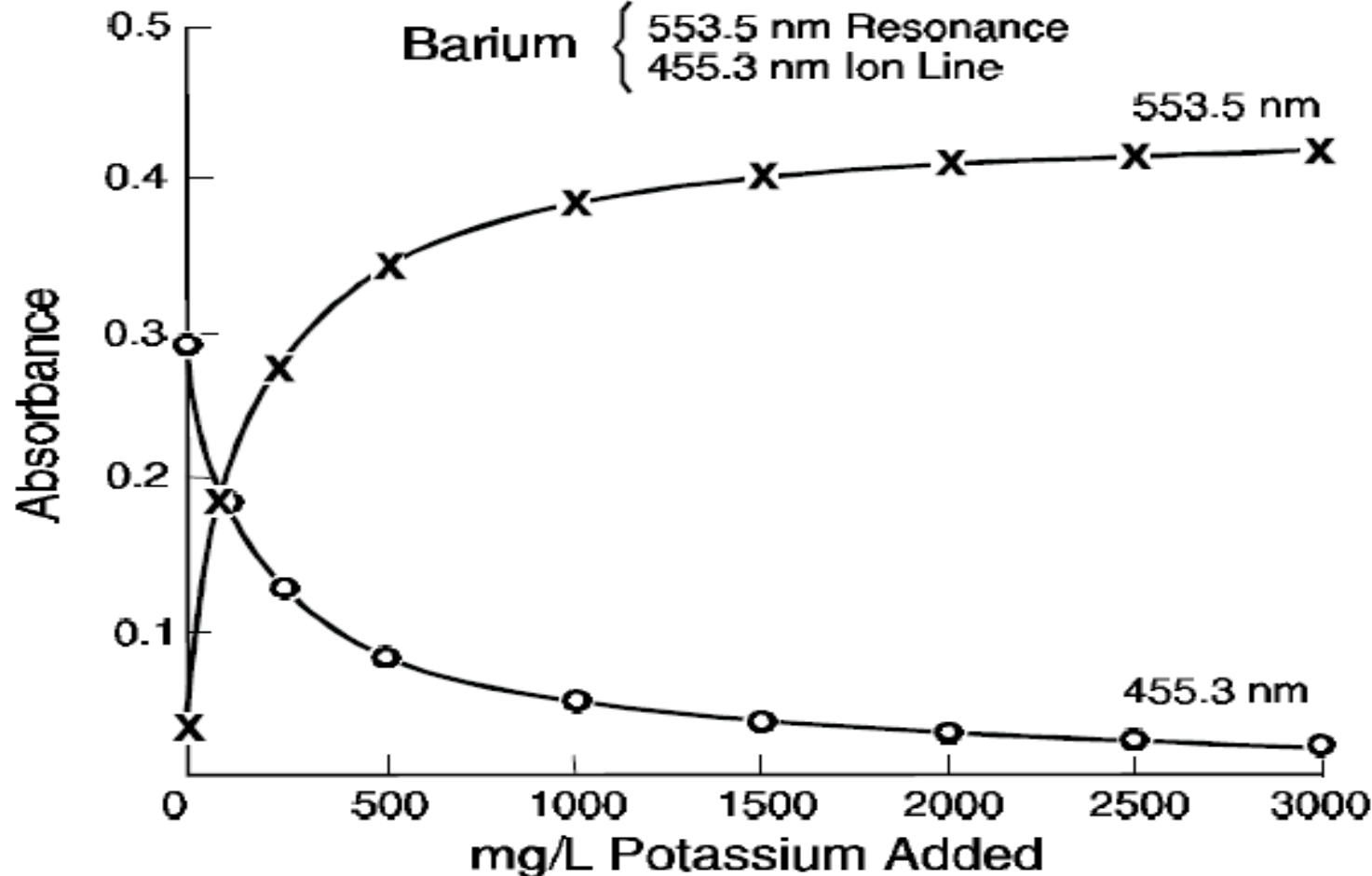


Figure 16. Ionization Interference Effect of Added Potassium

C) Matrix interferences:

- Due to differences between **surface tension** and **viscosity** of test solutions and standards.
- ✓ Errors **are minimized** by using **Matrix Modifiers and Reagents...**

D) Transport Interference :

- Rate of **aspiration**, **nebulization**, or transport of the sample (e g **viscosity**, **surface tension**, **vapor pressure** , and **density**).

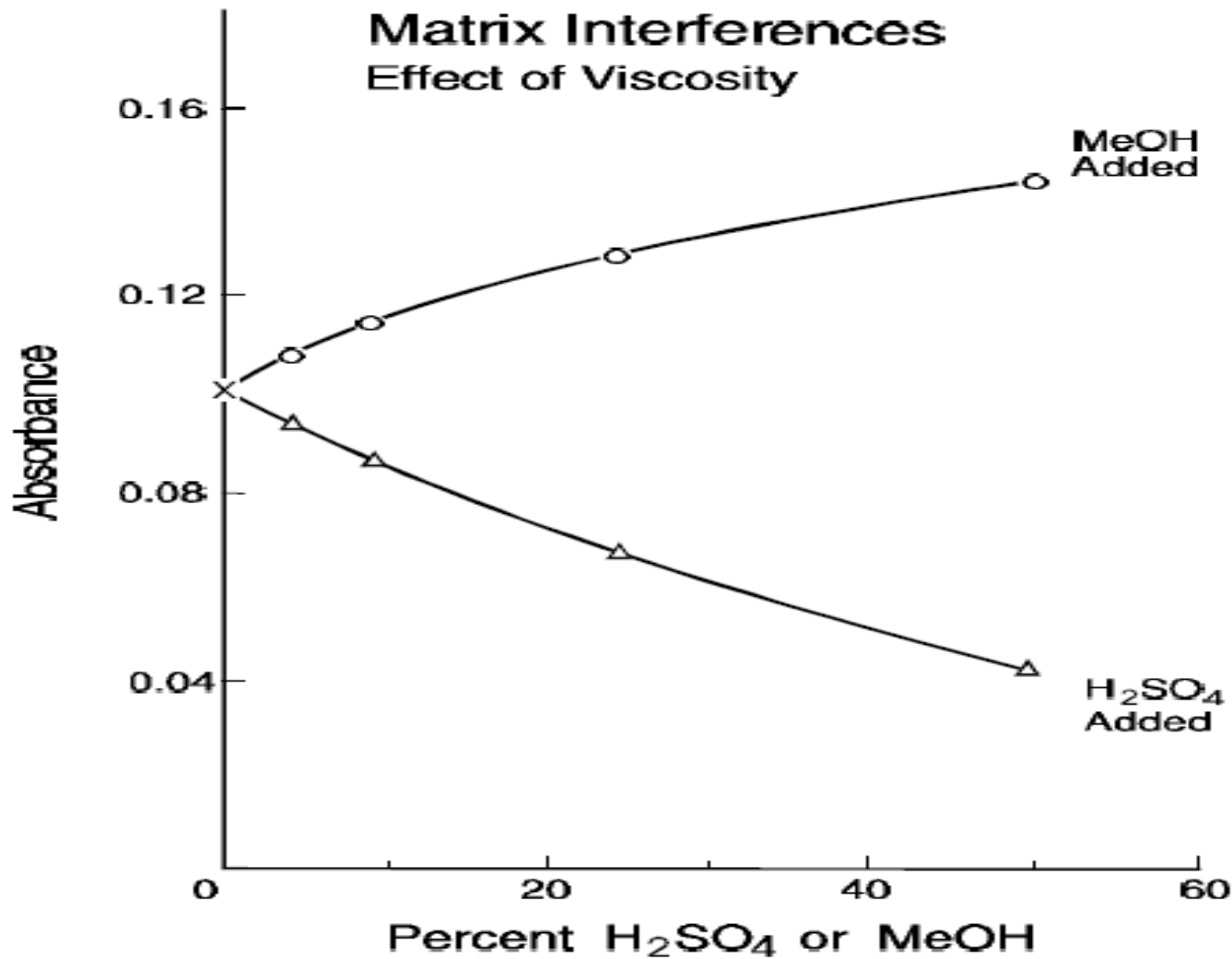


Figure 17. Matrix Interferences

E) Broadening of a spectral line

1) Doppler effect:

- ✓ This effect arises because atoms will have different components of velocity along the line of observation.

2) Lorentz effect:

- ✓ This effect occurs as a result of the **concentration of foreign atoms present** in the environment of the emitting or absorbing atoms. The magnitude of the broadening varies with the pressure of the foreign gases and their physical properties.

3) Quenching effect:

- ✓ In a **low-pressure spectral source**, quenching collision can occur in flames as the result of the **presence of foreign gas molecules with vibration levels very close to the excited state of the resonance line**.

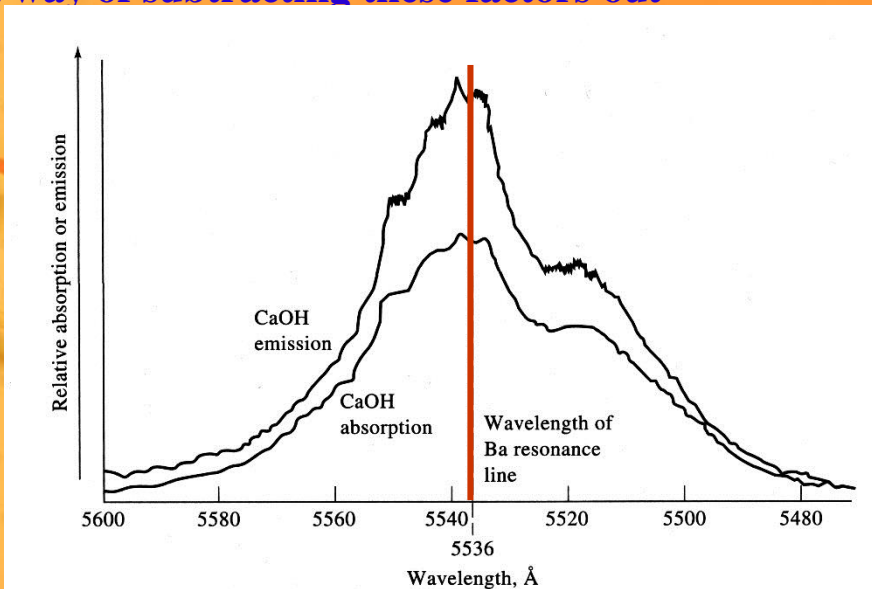
4) Self absorption or self-reversal effect

- ✓ Self absorption the atoms of the same kind that are absorbing radiation will absorb more at the center of the line than at the wings, and thus resulting in the change of shape of the line as well as its intensity

BACKGROUND Correction

A) Corrections For **Spectral Interferences** Due to **Matrix**

- ✓ **Molecular species may be present in flame**
- ✓ **Problem if absorbance spectra overlap since molecular spectrum is much broader with a greater net absorbance**
- ✓ **Need way of subtracting these factors out**



Methods for Correction

1) Two-line method

- monitor absorbance at two line close together

> One line from sample one from light source

> Second l from impurity in HCL cathode, Ne or Ar gas in HCL, etc

- second line must not be absorbed by analyte

> absorbed by molecular species, since spectrum much broader

- A & e are ~ constant if two line close

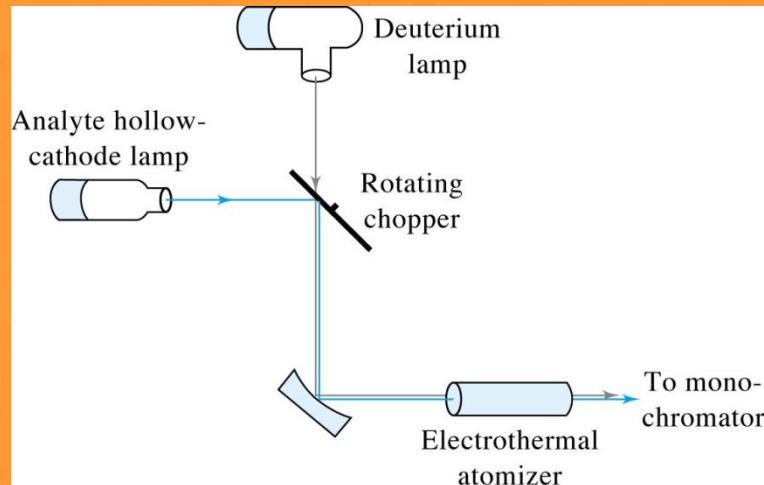
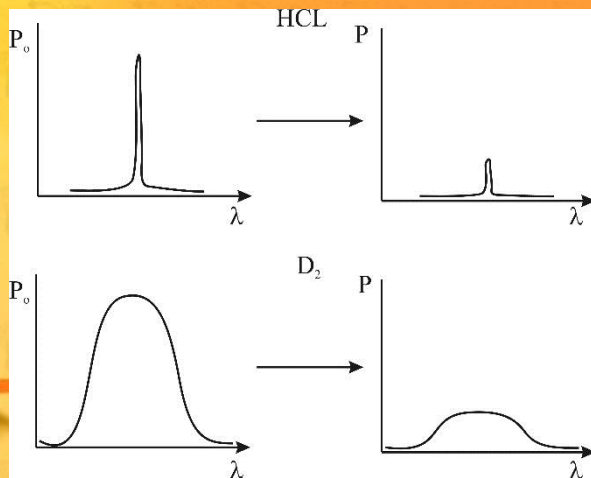
- comparing A_{I1} , A_{I2} allows correction for absorbance for molecular species

$$A_{I1} (\text{atom\&molecule}) - A_{I2} (\text{molecule}) = A (\text{atom})$$

Problem: Difficult to get useful second l with desired characteristics

2) Continuous source method

- alternatively place light from HCL or a continuous source D_2 lamp thru flame
- HCL \rightarrow absorbance of atoms + molecules
- D_2 \rightarrow absorbance of molecules

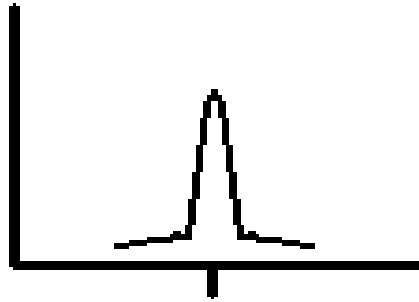
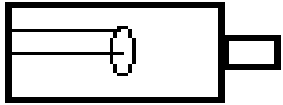


Advantage:

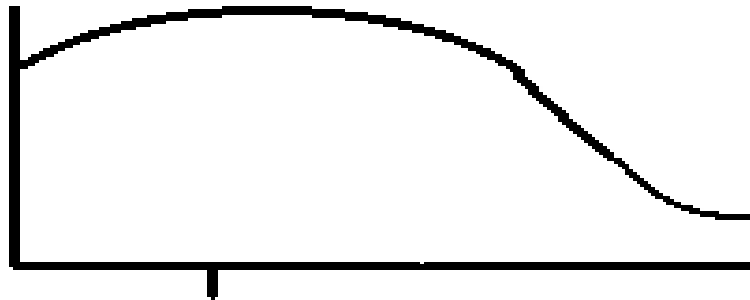
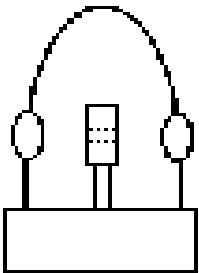
- available in most instruments
- easy to do

Disadvantage:

- difficult to perfectly match lamps (can give + or - errors)



HCL generates a “narrow” band radiation, that “sees” BOTH Element-Specific AND Background Non-Specific Absorbances

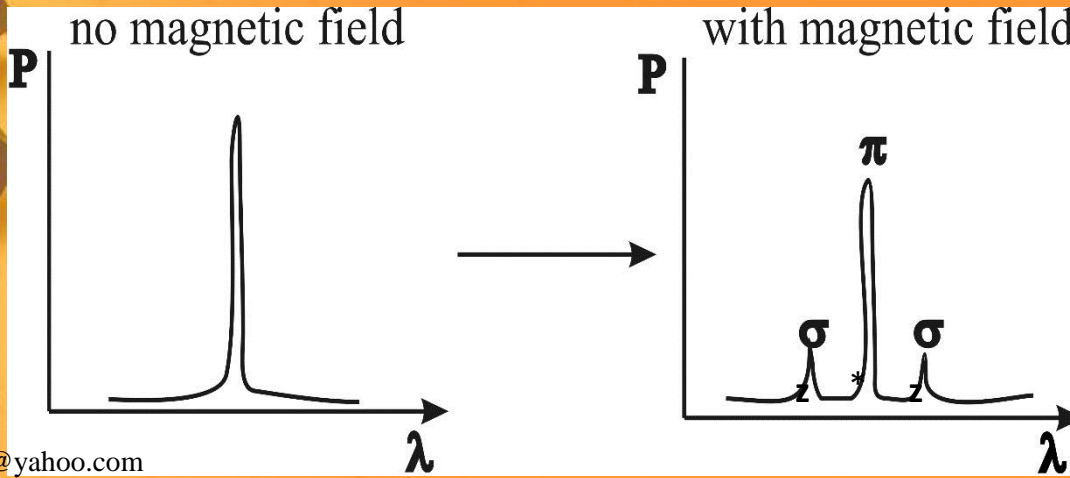
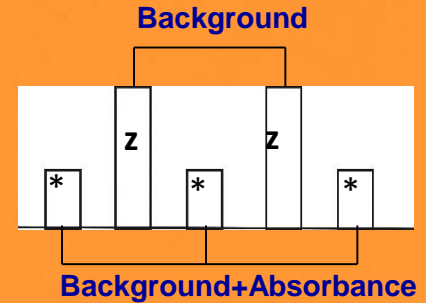


D2 Lamp creates a “continuum” of “BROAD band radiation, that ONLY “sees” other BROAD band signals, such as BACKGROUND

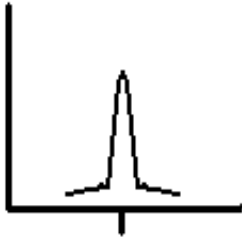
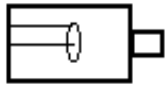
3) Zeeman Effect

- Placing gaseous atoms in magnetic field causes non-random orientation of atoms
- Not apparent for molecules
- Splitting of electronic energy levels occurs (~ 0.01 nm)
- Sum of split absorbance lines \rightarrow original line
- Only absorb light with same orientation
- Can use Zeeman effect to remove background

> place flame polarized light through sample in magnetic field get absorbance (atom+molecule) or absorbance (molecule) depending on how light is polarized

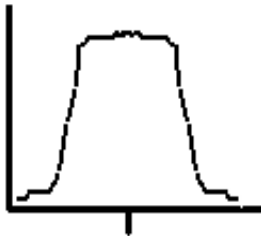
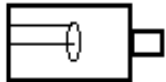


BKG Correction: VGP



Pb-283nm.
@ 5mA

Low CURRENTS for Analytical Measurements create a “narrow” band source of radiation



Pb-283nm.
@500mA

High CURRENTS (>500mA) are used to form the GIANT PULSE as a “broad”, wide band; to make it SIMILAR to the D2 Continuum for reading ONLY signals from the BACKGROUND

For any Analytical wavelengths outside the 180-400nm. Range for the D2 Lamp, Variable GIANT PULSE Correction will work for many applications

Sample preparation Methods

- **Careful techniques must be used to Collect, Preserve and then PREPARE the Sample so it can be run on the AAS Instrument.**
- **Samples MUST be in the form of a clear, particle-free Solution**
- **These Solutions can be based on an Aqueous (water) or Organic (solvent) matrix**
- **Calibration materials (Blank and Standards) must be prepared with the SAME procedures as the Samples**

Sample PREPARATION

➤ **Some of the common procedures for AAS:**

- ✓ **Open Beaker Acid Digestion**
- ✓ **Closed Vessel Pressure Digestion**
- ✓ **Soxhlet Solvent Extraction**
- ✓ **Muffle-Furnace Ashing**
- ✓ **Sonication**
- ✓ **Centrifugation**
- ✓ **Simple Filtration**

Wet Digestion Methods

- The common methods used for dissolving samples for metals analysis are :

➤ Digestion in open flask

➤ Digestion in a pressurized sealed container

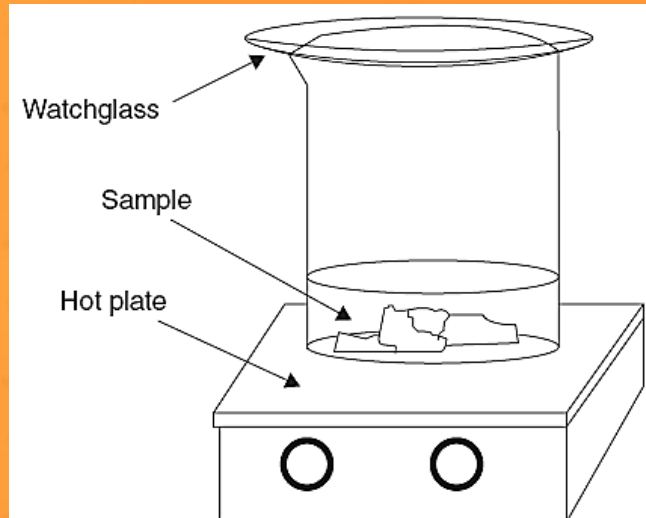
➤ Microwave assisted decomposition

Reagents Commonly used in Sample Dissolution or Digestion

Reagent	Sample Type
Water	Soluble salt
Dilute acids	Dry-ashed sample residues, easily oxidized metals and alloys, salts
Concentrates acid (e.g., HNO_3)	Less readily oxidized metals and alloys, steels, metal oxides
Concentrates acid + oxidizing agent	Metals, alloys, soils, particulates from air, refractory minerals, vegetable matter
Hydrofluoric acid	Silicates and other rock samples

Acid Digestion-Wet Ashing

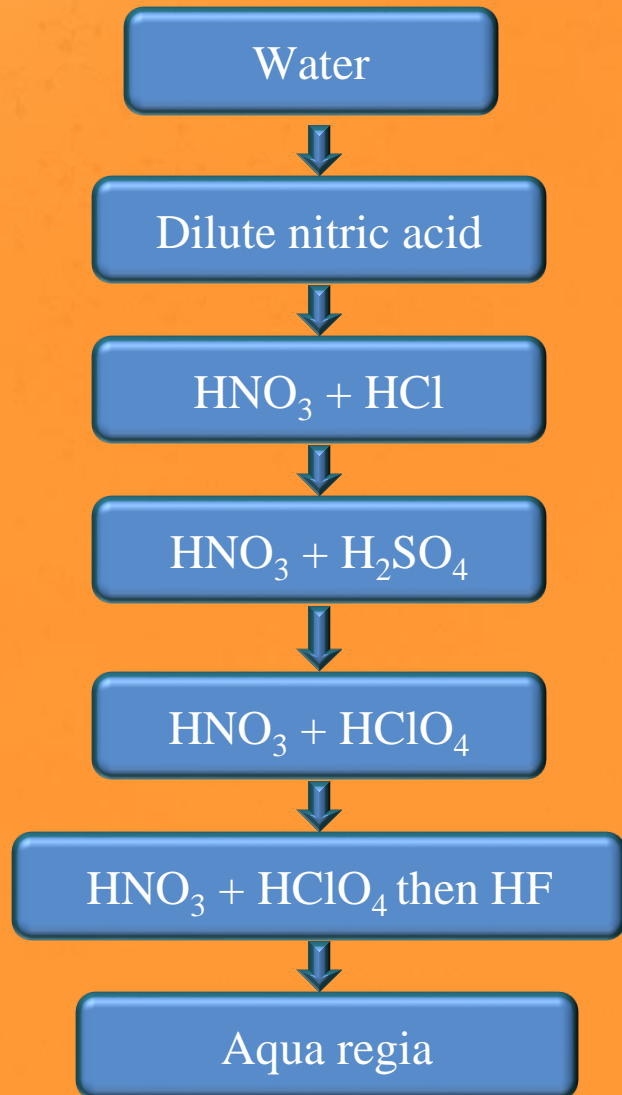
- The simplest method for wet digestion is carried out in an open container.
- Samples are dried, weighed, and placed in a beaker. The digestion reagent is added.
- The beaker is covered with a watch glass and placed on a hot plate.



Aggressive acid digestion



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- For samples that show significant losses of analyte due to the retention of metals in **silica residues**, the sample is first digested thoroughly with HNO_3 in a **PTFE beaker**. Then concentrated HClO_4 and a small amount of HF are added.
- A mixture of an oxidizing acid with HF provides acidity, oxidizing power, and complexation to dissolve all metals and alloys and most refractory minerals, soils, rocks, and sediments.

Microwave Digestion

- **Advantages of digestion in a closed container :**
 - The containers are fabricated of high-temp polymers, which are less likely to contain metal contaminants than are glass or ceramic beakers or crucibles.
 - The sealed container eliminates the chance of airborne dust contamination.
 - The sealed container reduce evaporation, so that less acid digestion solution is required.
 - The sealed container also eliminates losses of more volatile metal species, which can be a problem in open container.
 - The electronic controls on modern microwave digesters allow very reproducible digestion conditions.

Dry Ashing

- For samples that contain **much organic matter**, which are analyzed for **nonvolatile metals**, dry ashing is a relatively simple method of removing the organic matter.
- A general procedure is to place the weighed sample into a platinum or glass crucible and heat it in a furnace to a white ash. The temperature should be kept at 400 to 450°C if any of the more volatile metals are being determined. Salts or sulfuric acid may be added, if needed, and a final ashing step can be done with HF if required. The residue is then dissolved in concentrated nitric acid and water, and diluted to volume. The final concentration of acid should be between 1 and 5%.

Extraction, Separation, and concentration

- It is not always necessary or required to digest the entire sample in order to free the metal for analysis. The analyte of interest may be present as a soluble salt from a pollution source or being present in the structure of the mineral crystals.

✓ Organic extraction of metals (LLE)

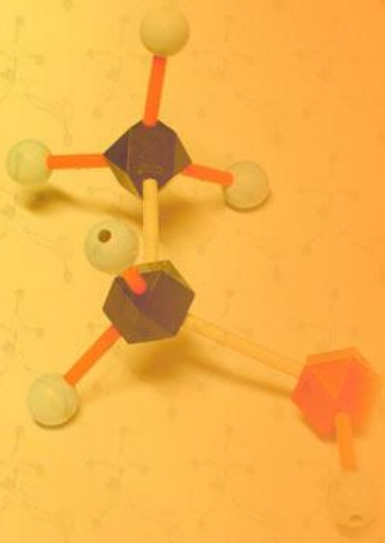
✓ Extraction with Supercritical Fluids

✓ Ultrasonic sample preparation

✓ Solid-Phase Extraction for preconcentration

Calibration Equipment

- ❑ **STANDARD Solutions for Calibration of all Atomic Absorption instrumentation should be NIST/NBS or ISO / IUPAC Certified for true Accuracy**



Selecting the Number of Standards

❖ How can we select our calibration standards properly?

1. **One Cal Standard:** If all our samples are in the linear range (less than 0.20–0.30 Absorbance), then one calibration standard (S1) can be used.

2. **Two calibration standards:** are used when we exceed the linear range.

- Usually S2 should be $3\times$ the concentration of S1.

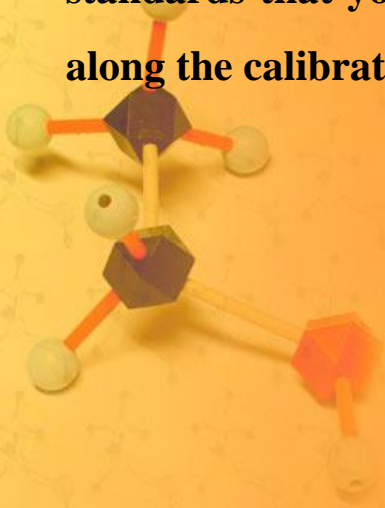
If we know we are exceeding the linear range, how can we decide whether to use two or three calibration standards?

There is an easy procedure to follow:

1. Make up three standards. The first one should be at the top of the linear range. The concentration of the second standard should be approximately $3\times$ the concentration of the first. The concentration of the third standard should be approximately $6\times$ the concentration of the first standard (6:3:1 rule).

2. Set up your atomic absorption instrument in the concentration mode. Autozero on the blank. Set your first standard to be S1. Calibrate with your second standard to S2. READ your third standard. If its value is within 10% of the expected value, make your third standard = S2 and drop your second standard. You have slight curvature and should use only two calibration standards.

3. If your third standard deviates more than 10% from the expected value, your curvature is more severe and three calibration standards are necessary. Keep S2, and enter your third standard as S3. Seldom are more than three standards required for accurate calibration. However, when you are using more than three calibration standards, insert them between the standards that you determined using the 6:3:1 rule so that they are spaced along the calibration curve.



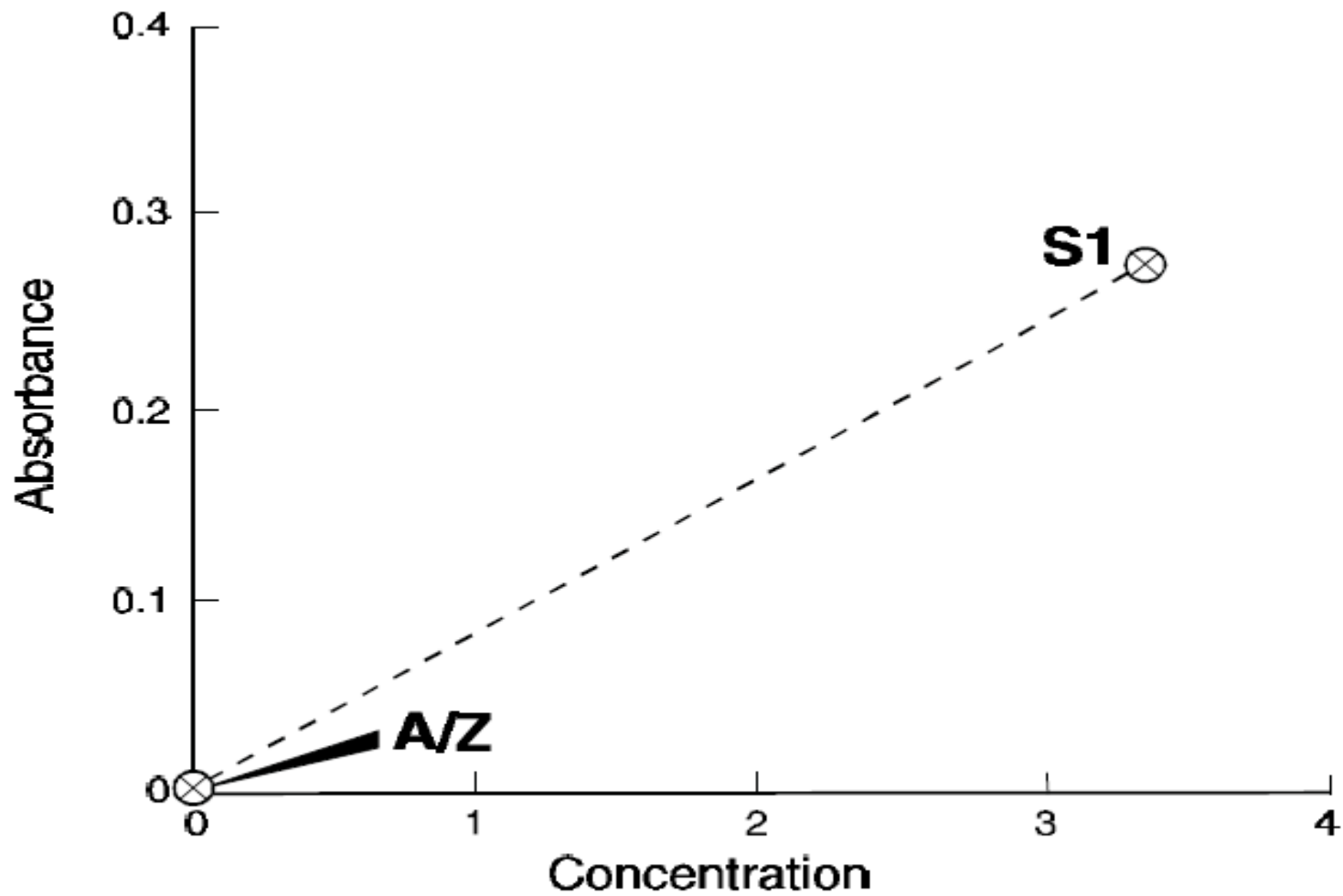


Figure 10. One Calibration Standard (Linear Plot)

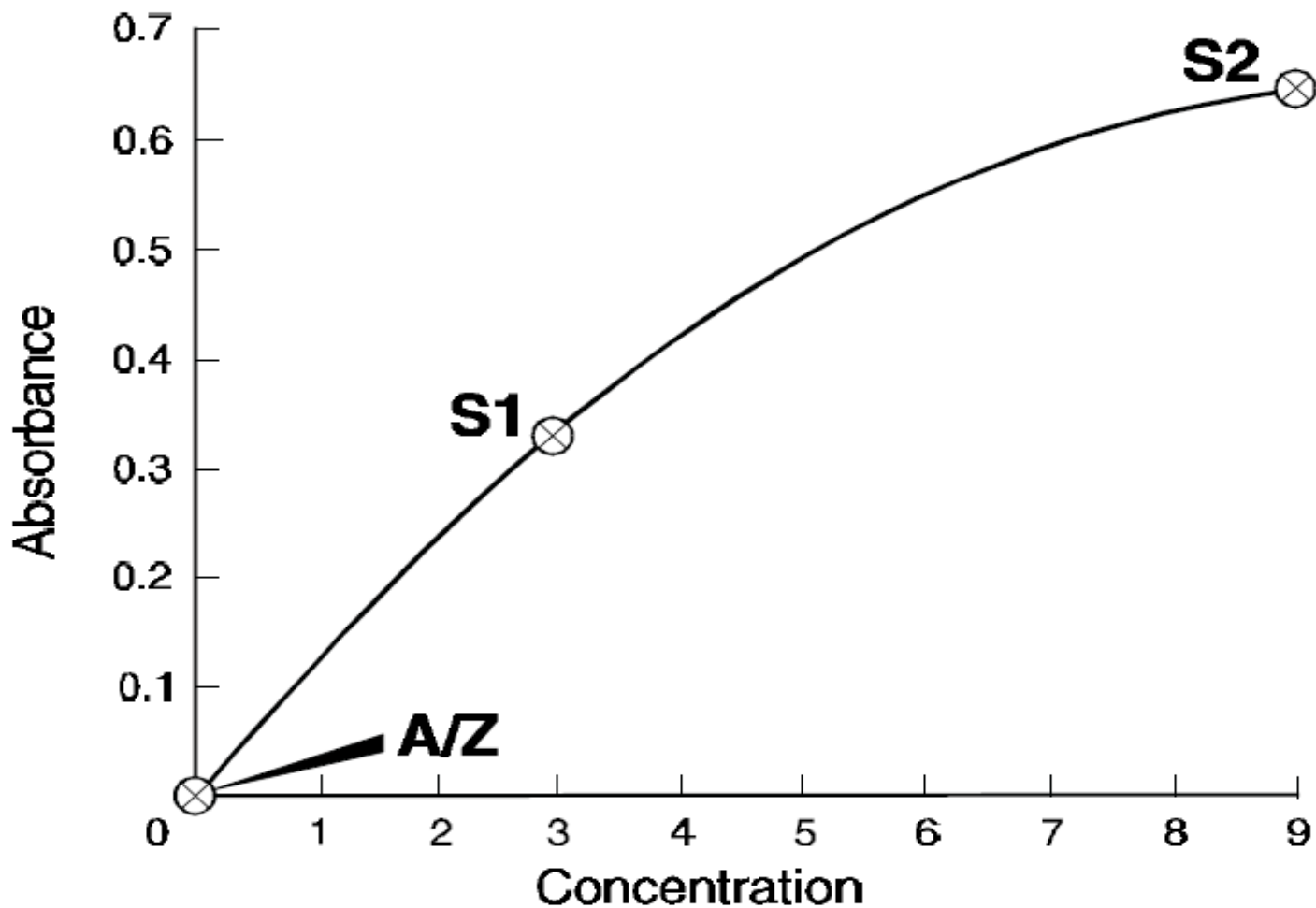


Figure 11. Calibration Curve for 2 Calibration Standards

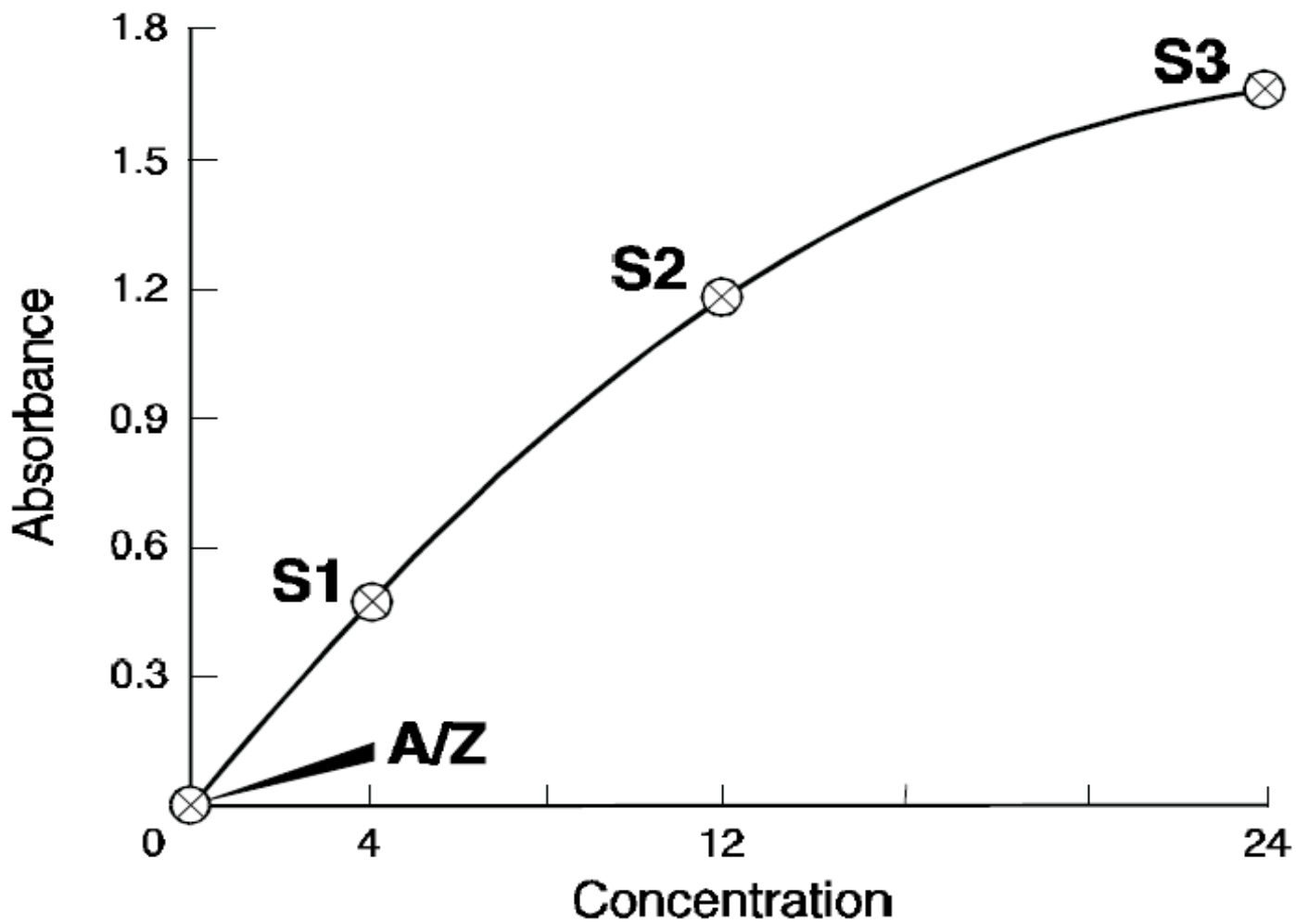


Figure 12. Calibration Curve for 3 Calibration Standards

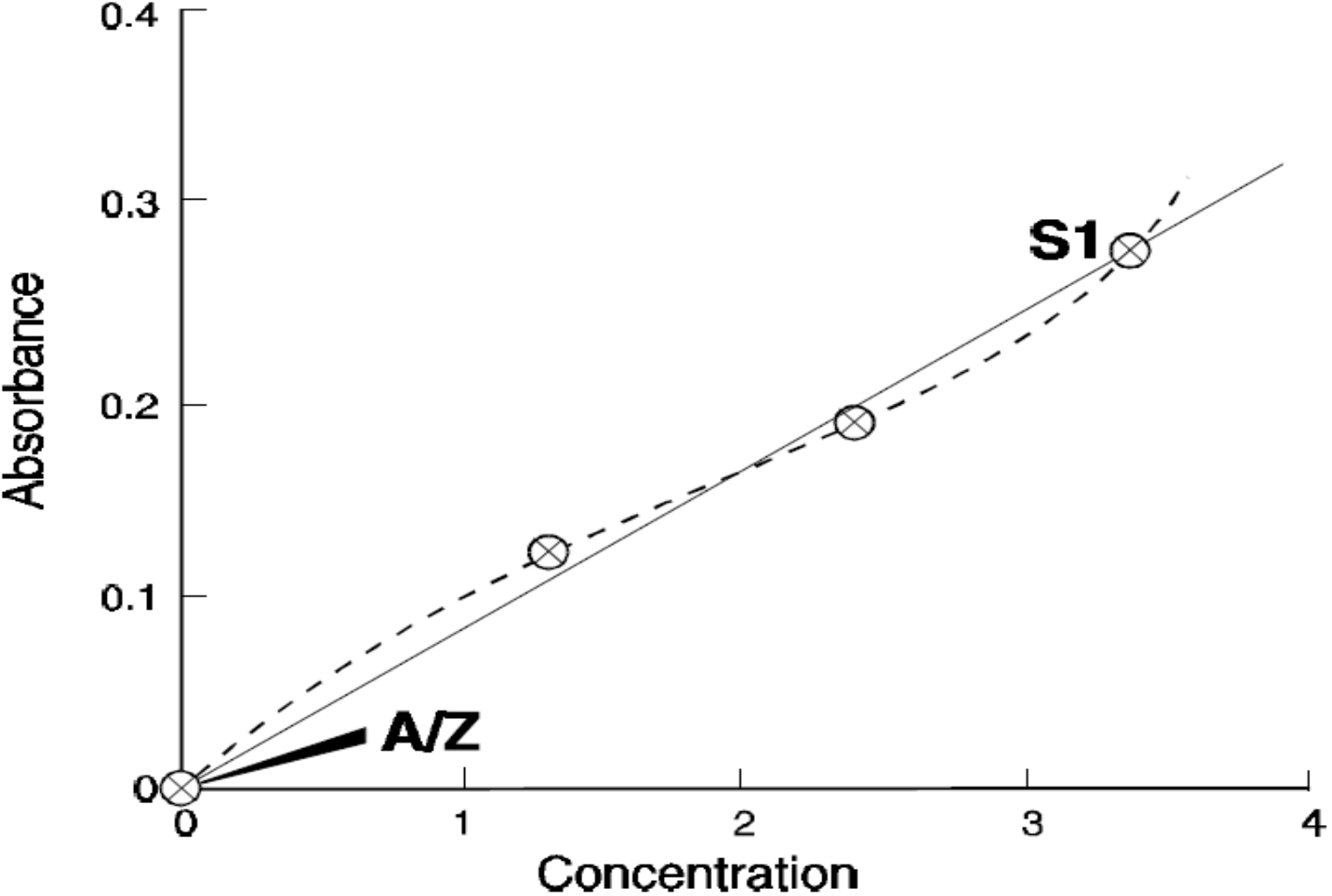


Figure 13. Three Calibration Points in Linear Range - S-Shaped Curve

APPLICATIONS

50+ Metallic Elements of the Periodic Table can be determined by Flame or Furnace AAS from the 0.0001% to 100% concentrations

H																He	
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg											Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
Fr	Ra	Ac	Elements detectable by atomic absorption are highlighted in pink in this periodic table														

LOD & LOQ

- **Limit of detection (LOD) and limit of quantification (LOQ) are two important performance characteristics in method validation. LOD and LOQ are terms used to describe the smallest concentration of an analyte that can be reliably measured by an analytical procedure.**
- **In analytical chemistry, the detection limit, lower limit of detection, or LOD (limit of detection), is the lowest quantity of a substance that can be distinguished from the absence of that substance (a *blank value*) within a stated confidence limit (generally 1%)**

Sample Variance

S² or SV

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum x^2 - \frac{(\sum x)^2}{n}}{n - 1}$$

Sample Standard Deviation

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum x^2 - \frac{(\sum x)^2}{n}}{n - 1}}$$

How can I calculate LOD in Hg analysis by AAS (sample type: Fish)?

I need to calculate LOD in Hg analysis of fish sample. My method is;

Blank: put 10 mL nitric in microwave vessels and run the program and volume up to 50 mL and read (result received in microgram/L)

Sample: take 1 g sample+10 mL nitric acid in microwave vessels, then run the program,

My equation is for LOD=mean+ 3*standard deviation

But I receive blank reading in microgram/L unit (See attached excel sheet), then how I calculate LOD? Can you give the example or correct my excel sheet

Sample type :	
Fish	
Sample No	Blank reading (µg/L)
1	2.24
2	0.00
3	0.92
4	1.58
5	0.67
6	0.55
7	0.35
8	0.76
9	0.19
10	0.00
11	0.73
12	0.00
13	0.36
14	0.39
15	0.14
Mean	0.59
Standard deviation	0.62
LOD	2.46

LOD=mean+ 3*standard deviation

LOD=mean+ 3*standard deviation

OR

$$LOD = \frac{SV}{R^2} * 3$$

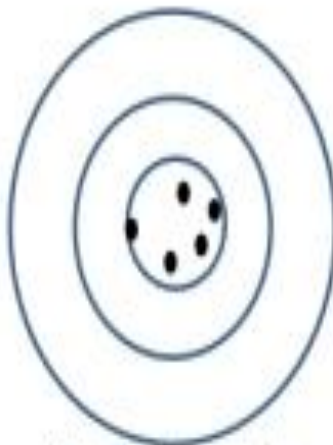
LOD is Theoryic

LOD is Practical

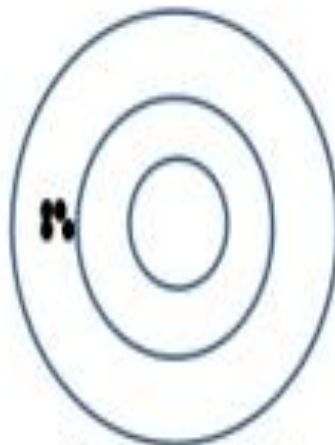
$$LOQ = \frac{SV}{R^2} * 10$$

R² of calibration curve

Accuracy & Precision



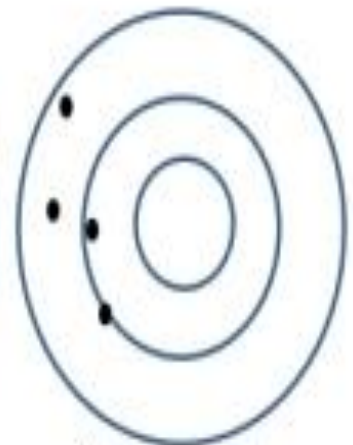
Accuracy high
Precision low



Accuracy low
Precision high



Accuracy high
Precision high



Accuracy low
Precision low

Techniques for elemental analysis

	<u>ICP-MS</u>	<u>ICP-AES</u>	<u>FAAS</u>	<u>GFAAS</u>
Detection Limits	Excellent	Good	Good	Excellent
Productivity	Excellent	Very good	Good	Low
LDR	10^5	$10^6/10^{10}$ HDD	10^3	10^2
Precision	1-3 %	0.3-2 %	0.1-1 %	1-5 %
Spectral interference	Few	Common	Almost none	Very few
Chemical interference	Moderate	Few	Many	Many
Ionization	Minimal	Minimal	Some	Minimal
Mass effects	High on low	none	none	none
Isotopes	Yes	none	none	none
Dissolved solids	0.1-0.4 %	up to 30 %	0.5-3 %	up to 30 %
No. of elements	~75	~73	~68	~50
Sample usage	low	medium	high	very low
Semi-quantitative	yes	yes	no	no
Isotope analysis	yes	no	no	no
routine operation	Skill required	easy	easy	skill required
Method development	skill required	skill required	easy	skill required
Running costs	high	high	low	medium
Capital costs	very high	high	low	medium

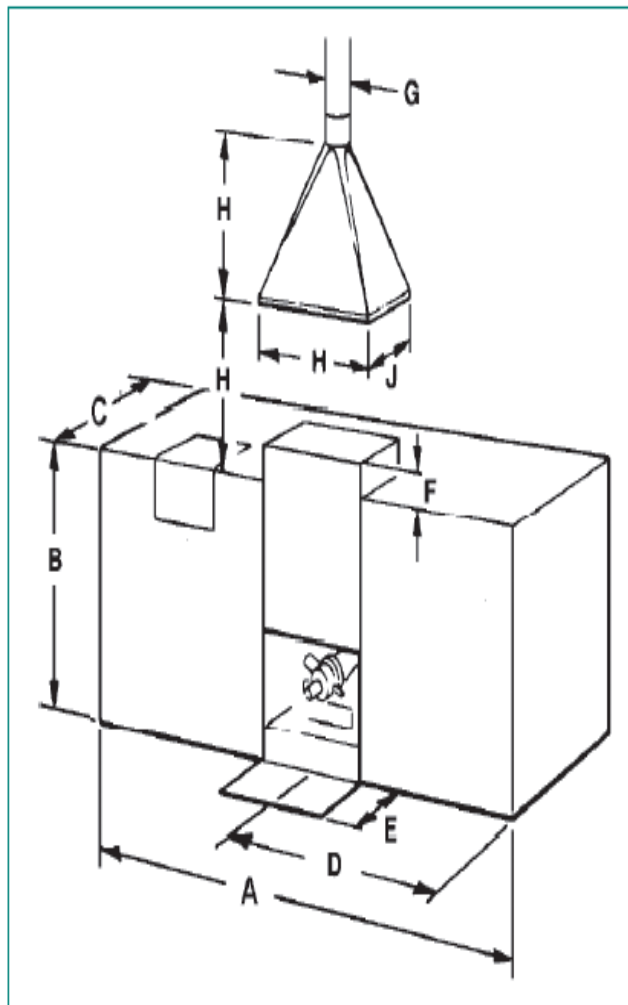
Parameters	AAS	GFAAS	ICP – MS
Temperature	2300°C – 2700°C	3000°C	6000°C
Radiation used	UV ,VISIBLE	UV, VISIBLE	---
Detection limit	Ppm	Ppb	Ppt
Elements applicable to	68+	50+	82
Sample throughput	10-15 sec per element	3-4 min per element	All elements <1 minute
Sample volume required	Large	Very small	Very small to medium
Isotopic analysis	No	No	Yes
typical consumable items and utilities required	acetylene/nitrous oxide gases (compressed air source) hollow cathode lamps reagents and standards power	argon gas hollow cathode lamps graphite tubes and cones reagents and standards power cooling water	argon gas quartz torches sampling and skimmer cones reagents and standards pump tubing power cooling water

Operating instructions for VARIAN 280FS Spectrophotometer

Exhaust Vent

Exhaust venting is important for a number of reasons:

- 1.It will protect laboratory personnel from toxic vapors which may be produced by some samples.**
- 2.It will tend to remove the effects of room drafts and the laboratory atmosphere on flame stability.**
- 3. It will help to protect the instrument from corrosive vapors which may originate from the samples.**
- 4.It will remove dissipated heat which is produced by the flame or furnace.**



A = length

B = height to top of cover

C = depth

D = distance from center of atomizer compartment to right hand edge of instrument

E = protuberance of sample tray in front of instrument

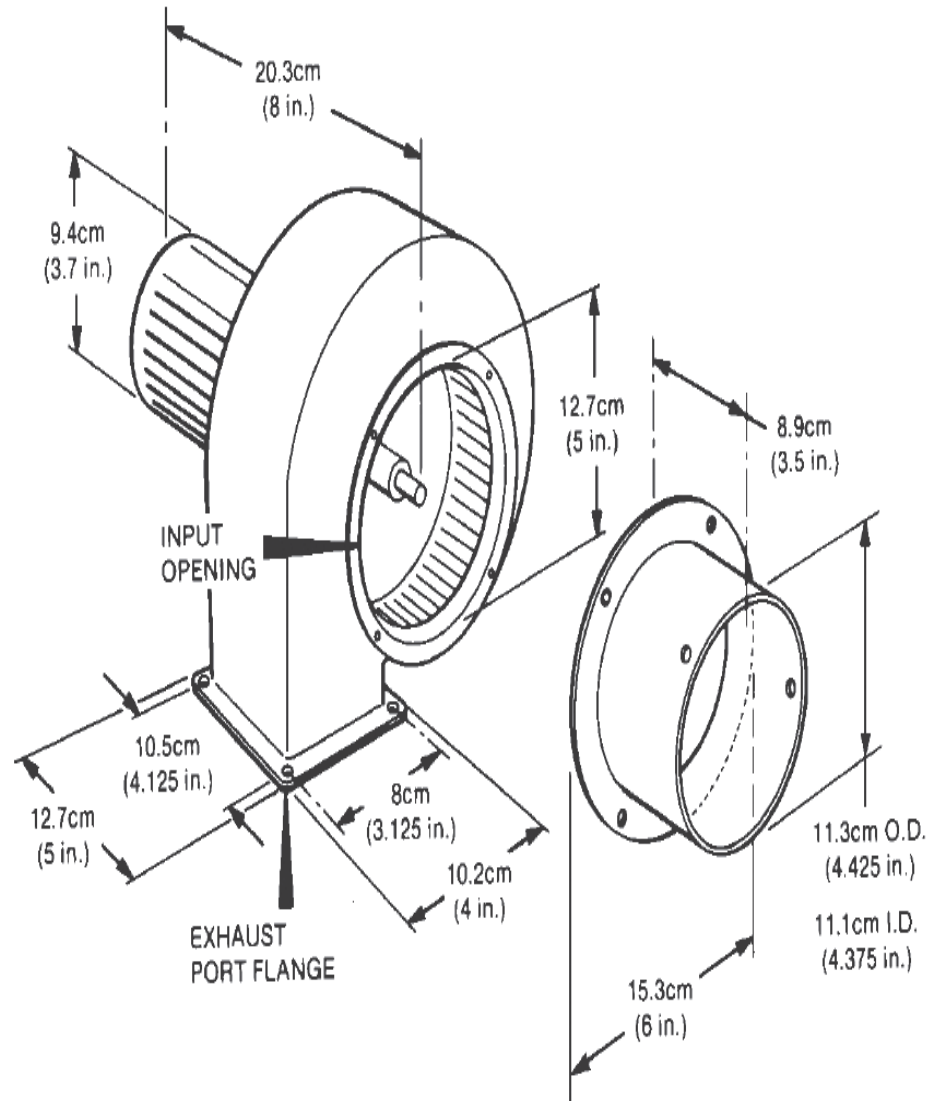
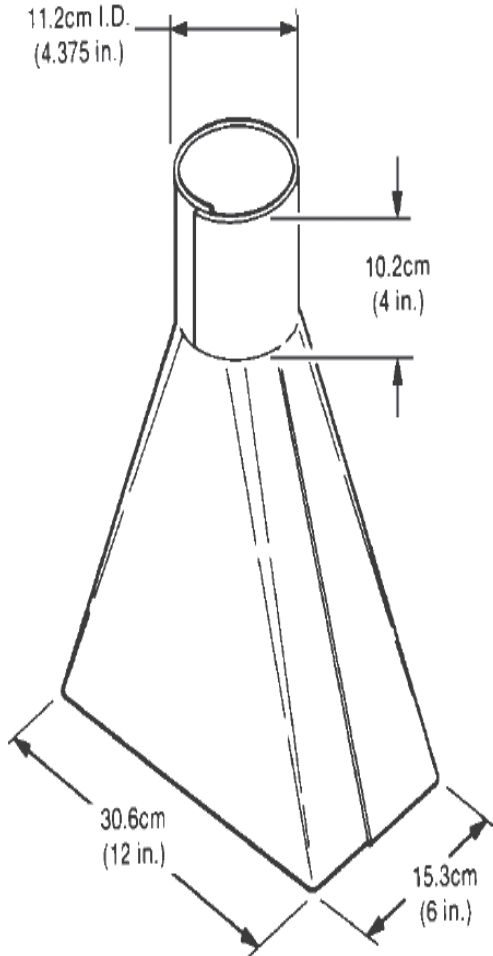
F = height of flame shield above top of instrument cover

G = 10 cm (4 inches) in all cases

H = 30 cm (12 inches) in all cases

J = 15 cm (6 inches) in all cases

Figure 3. Spectrometer and accessories dimensions.



Operating instructions for VARIAN 280FS Spectrophotometer

Lamp installment

1. Install the recommended light source, position the lamp so that it is held by two springs in the lamp holder.
2. Press the POWER button on the control panel to turn on the instrument.
3. Turn the SIGNAL control knob to LAMP, the AA/BG switch to AA, and turn GAIN fully counterclockwise.
4. Turn the LAMP CURRENT CONTROL (F) clockwise until the ENERGY/LAMP METER (E) shows the proper value indicated on the lamp label.
5. Change the SIGNAL control knob to SET UP. Set the SLIT (A) to the proper value and adjust the COARSE ADJUST WAVELENGTH CONTROL (D) to the correct setting on the WAVELENGTH COUNTER (B) (refer to the Analytical Methods Manual for proper settings for the element of interest).◆
6. Turn the FINE ADJUST WAVELENGTH CONTROL (C) slowly to obtain maximum needle deflection to the right on the ENERGY/LAMP meter (E).◆ With the GAIN control knob (G) keep the needle on scale.
7. Turn the two alignment knobs on the lamp holder to maximize the ENERGY/LAMP meter (E) reading.
8. Close the lamp compartment.
9. Change the SIGNAL control knob to ABS and proceed to ignite the flame. 131

A  **Slit Selector**

B  **Wavelength Counter**

C  **Fine Adjust Wavelength Control**

D  **Coarse Adjust Wavelength Control**

E  **Energy/Lamp Meter**

F  **Lamp Current Control**

G  **Gain Control**

Gas ignition

1. Turn the ***POWER switch*** of the gas control (K) to the ON position.
2. Turn on the vent hood to remove fumes and vapors from the flame.
3. Switch the **OXIDANT SELECTOR VALVE (I)** to air. The air supply for the AA in room 263 comes from a central source and an oil-filter is used to maintain the air free of oil and dust .
4. Switch the FUEL VALVE (C) to the on position (For most of the analyses acetylene is the fuel).
5. Once the fuel and oxidant flow meter are set at 30 and 55 (arbitrary units) respectively, ignite the burner by pressing the IGNITE button (E).

A 🔍 **Fuel Pressure Gauge**

B 🔍 **Oxidant Pressure Gauge**

C 🔍 **Fuel Toggle Valve**

D 🔍 **Fuel and Oxidant Flowmeters**

E 🔍 **Ignite Button**

F 🔍 **Fuel Pressure Regulator**

G 🔍 **Oxidant Pressure Regulator**

H 🔍 **Fuel Flow Needle Valve**

I 🔍 **Oxidant Selector Valve**

J 🔍 **Oxidant Flow Needle Valve**

K 🔍 **Power ON/OFF Switch**

Gas Flow Adjustment

- For many elements, the fuel/oxidant ratio must be adjusted for maximum sensitivity.



Acetylene

- For most air-acetylene flames, the **acetylene flow** used is about **4 liters/min** or **0.14 cubic feet/min**.
- Acetylene is **dissolved in acetone** in order to prevent explosive decomposition when compressed to greater than about 30 psi.
- *Failure to change the acetylene cylinder before the cylinder pressure drops below 600 kPa (85 psig) may cause damage to valves or tubing within the burner gas control system due to high acetone carryover*
- To provide a margin of safety, acetylene should not be used above 15 psi line pressure.
- For some elements, absorption sensitivity will change as the amount of acetone increases, so it is a good practice to replace the cylinder when the pressure falls to between 75 and 100 psi.

➤ **Minimize the amount of acetone which is carried over with the acetylene by:**

✓ **‘Cracking’ the bottle before use by gently opening the valve to check for any drops or spray of acetone. Any bottle showing acetone should be returned to the supplier for replacement.**

✓ **Storing and using the bottles in the vertical position.**

✓ **Using only one instrument per bottle.**

✓ **Using only ‘instrument’ grade acetylene.**

✓ **Replacing bottles when the pressure drops to 750 kPa (100 psi).**

Nitrous Oxide

- ✓ The N₂O is in the liquid state, at an initial pressure of about 750 psi.
- ✓ A nitrous oxide-acetylene flame consumes about **20 liters per minute** of N₂O at **50 psi**;
- ✓ When N₂O is removed from the cylinder at this rate the expanding gas cools the diaphragm of the regulator so that sometimes it freezes, causing loss of regulation.
- ✓ All lines carrying N₂O should be **free of grease, oil** or other **organic material**, as it is possible for spontaneous combustion to occur.
- ✓ For the **nitrous oxide-acetylene flame**, the **acetylene flow is about 14 liters/min** or **0.5 cubic feet per min.**

Air

- **Air is the most common oxidant and can be obtained from either a compressed air cylinder or from a compressor unit**
- **The premix burner-Nebulizer will use about 20 liters per minute**
- **General Purpose Compressed Air is suitable instrument use.**
- **Air cylinders are operated at 50psi utilizing a two-stage regulator**
- **The compressor should provide at least 30 liters per minute at 50 psi, with a water and oil trap installed between the compressor**

Hydrogen

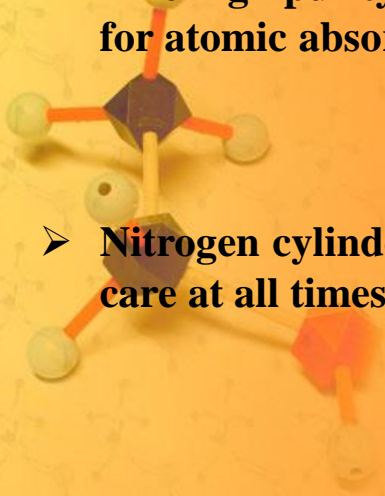
- In certain applications hydrogen is used as the
- The extra dry grade (99.9+% purity) is suitable for atomic absorption work.
- An air-hydrogen flame requires about 15 liters per minute
- The air-hydrogen flame is invisible under normal circumstances, and extra caution should be excersized when using this flame.
- Do not place hand on or lean over a burner where hydrogen is being used in case the flame is actually lit.
- Always test first by placing a shiny surface above the region of combustion; the formation of water vapor indicates that the flame is lit.
- Hydrogen cylinders are used at high pressure and should be handled with care at all times.
- They are operated at 40psi using a two-stage regulator

Argon

- Argon is generally used in **conjunction with hydrogen** :
 - ✓ As a flame diluent to provide a cool flame
 - ✓ As a purge gas in the analysis of hydride-forming metals
 - ✓ As a sheathing gas in graphite furnace work.
- High purity grade (**99.998%**) Grade Argon is good for most analyses.
- Argon in the prepurified grade (**99.995%**) can also be used but is not recommended for the Graphite **Furnace** since the grade often contains a small amount of **oxygen** which may **shorten tube life**.

Nitrogen

- **Nitrogen is used similarly to argon, and therefore the consumption rates vary widely with the application.**
- **The high purity grade (99.9%) or the extra dry grade (99.7%) is suitable for atomic absorption work.**
- **Nitrogen cylinders are used at high pressure and should be handled with care at all times.**

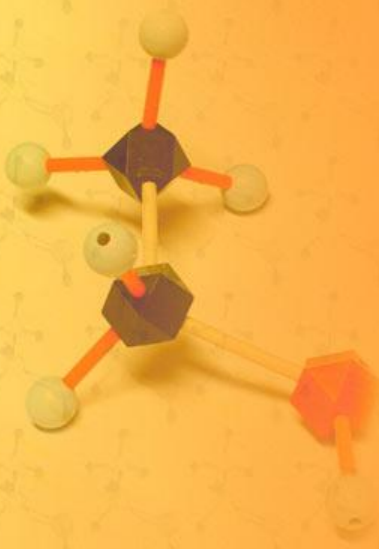


Burner alignment

- In order to make sure that burner is correctly aligned check that the slot in the burner head is parallel to, and slightly below the sample beam. ❖ This procedure will only need to be carried out when changing burner heads.
1. In the control panel, set the SIGNAL control knob to ABS and the MODE control to continuous. ❖ Press the AZ (auto zero) key to set the display to zero.
 2. Raise the burner head with the VERTICAL ADJUST KNOB until an absorbance is indicated on the display.
 3. Slowly lower the burner head with the vertical adjust until it❖s just below the source beam. The display must be at zero.
 4. Ignite gases as describe in the GAS IGNITION section.
 5. Aspirate a standard that provides an absorbance of 0.2 to 0.6 units and adjust the position of the burner head by turning the HORIZONTAL ADJUST KNOB until maximum absorbance is indicated.
 6. Turn the ROTATIONAL ADJUST KNOB to obtain maximum absorbance.

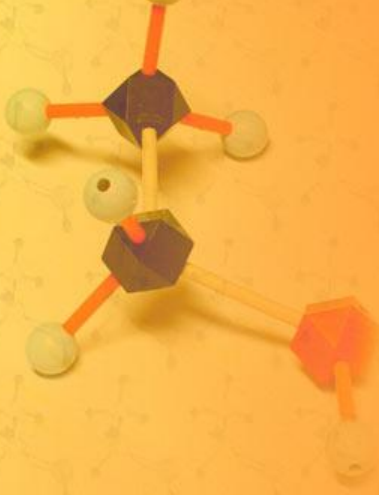
Burner Adjustment

- ❖ Adjustment of the burner head relative to the light path of the instrument is necessary to **obtain maximum sensitivity**.
- **Clean** the burner frequently — never allow the burner to clog, and wash it thoroughly both inside and out.



Nebulizer Adjustment

- Set up the instrument for the determination of **copper, magnesium**, or other elements which have an absorbing **wavelength above 250 nm** and whose sensitivity is not dependent on the fuel/oxidant ratio.(**in 90° (Vertical) position toward the HCL**)
- ✓ Do not select an element requiring a nitrous oxide-acetylene flame.



Calibration

1. Set the SIGNAL control to concentration.
2. Through the keyboard enter the value for the lowest standard then press the S1 key, repeat for standard two and three. ♦ Model 460 measures the absorbance of each standard, equates it to the concentration and constructs an appropriate calibration curve.
3. Enter the integration time through the keyboard and press the INT button to enter the interval (0.2 ♦ 60 seconds).
4. Aspirate a blank solution and press the AZ key (auto zero).
5. Aspirate the standard representing S1 and press the S1 key. ♦ Repeat for the remaining standards in order of increasing concentration.
6. Since some degradation in calibration may occur the operator is urged to recalibrate after reading various samples.
7. For Flame Emission analyses remove or unplug any hollow cathode lamp in the lamp compartment. ♦ Set the SIGNAL switch to EM CHOP with the appropriate slit and wavelength for the element of interest and repeat steps 2 through 6. ♦♦♦

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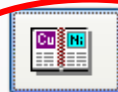
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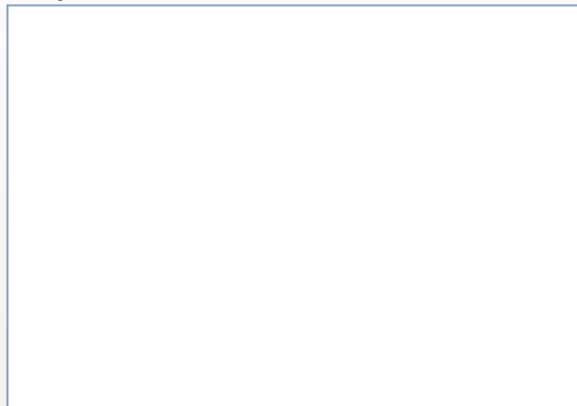
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Add Methods

Select one or more methods from either the cookbook or the method library to add to your current list of worksheet methods.

Load From

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Element

Matrix

Method Type

- Flame
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- Vapor
- Zeeman

- Ag
- Al
- As
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- Ca

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Worksheet Methods

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Element Matrix

 Ag
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Method

Type: Flame

Element: Ag

Matrix:

Select a page tab (Top) to display method parameters, or a method tab (Bottom) to review each method. Note: Once a method contains results (indicated by a (*) in the title bar), certain fields will become disabled. When QC=On (Sequence window), all fields are disabled.

Sampling Mode

Manual

Autonormal

Micro Sampling

Flame type & Gas flows (L/min)

Flame Type: Air/Acetylene

Air Flow: 13.50

Acetylene Flow: 2.00

Instrument Mode

Absorbance

Emission

Online Diluter Type

Use SIPS

Sampler Diluter

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For the air-acetylene flame, the acetylene flow is about **2 liters/minute**,

For the nitrous oxide-acetylene flame, the acetylene flow is about 14 liters per minute or 30 cubic feet per hour.

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Type/Mode **Measurement** Optical SIPS Standards Calibration Sampler Notes Co

Measurement Mode

- PROMT
- Integration
- Peak Height
- Peak Area
- Integrate Repeat

Calibration Mode

- Concentration Scale Expansion
- Standard Additions
- Bracketing Standards Internal Standard

Minimum Reading 0.0000

Smoothing 7 point

Replicates

Standard 3

Sample 3

Time (s)

Measurement 5.0

Read Delay 10

Precision (%)

Standard 1.0

Sample 1.0

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For routine analyses, integration times of 1 to 3 seconds are generally used. Precision can be improved by using longer integration times, up to a maximum of roughly 10 seconds. Integration times longer than 10 seconds provide no further improvement and are generally not recommended.



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Type/Mode Measurement **Optical** SIPS Standards Calibration Sampler Notes Co

HC Lamp

UltraAA Lamp

Lamp Position 1

Lamp Current (mA) 4.0

Monochromator

Wavelength (nm) 328.1

Slit Width (nm) 0.5

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Wavelengths

Several possible wavelengths are listed for each element. The most commonly used primary wavelength is always listed first. Select the best wavelength for your analysis based on the concentration range of the samples. If the samples are at a very low concentration, the most sensitive wavelength should be selected; if the samples are very concentrated, a less sensitive wavelength should be used.

Slit Width

The slit width listed for each element is the one found to be optimum for that element at the particular wavelength. Other slits can be used, but the signal to noise ratio and characteristic concentration will vary.

For wavelengths in the UV range, a single recommended slit setting (0.2 nm, 0.7 nm, or 2.0 nm) is listed. Two recommended slit positions (e.g., 0.2/0.4 nm) are listed for wavelengths in the visible region. The 0.2 nm, 0.7 nm, and 2.0 nm positions are for those spectrometer models utilizing a single grating, while the 0.4 nm and 1.4 nm positions are for spectrometer models that have dual gratings.

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Worksheet

Standards	Conc	Ref Abs
STANDARD 1	1.0000	
STANDARD 2	2.0000	
STANDARD 3	4.0000	
STANDARD 4		
STANDARD 5		
STANDARD 6		
STANDARD 7		
STANDARD 8		
STANDARD 9		
STANDARD 10		

Lower Valid Concentration

0.0000

Upper Valid Concentration

4.0000

 Conc Decimal Places

3

 Significant Figures

3

Std.Units

Std.Units

mg/L

SIPS

Bylk Std Conc

4.0000

Standard Count

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Calib. Algorithm

- Linear
- New Rational
- Rational
- Linear
- Linear Origin
- Quadratic
- Quadratic Origin
- Cubic
- Cubic Origin

Recalibration Rate

100

Reslope Rate

50

Cal Zero Rate

Reslope Std No.

2

Expansion Factor

1.0

Slope Tests Lower & Upper Limit

Calibration	20.0 %	150.0 %
Reslope	75.0 %	125.0 %
Internal Standard	0.5 %	0.5 %

Read Reagent Blank with Calibration / Reslope

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- QCP

Element cookbook

Silver (Ag) Atomic No. 47

Flame type: Air/Acetylene

Wavelength (nm)	Slit (nm)	Conc (mg/L)	Lamp for 0.2 Abs	Intensity
328.1	0.5	1.5		100.0
338.3	0.5	3		90.0

Cookbook Type

- Notes
- Graph

INTERFERENCES

No chemical interferences have been observed in air-acetylene flames.

FLAME EMISSION

Wavelength 328.1 nm, Slit 0.2 nm
Flame type: Nitrous oxide/Acetylene

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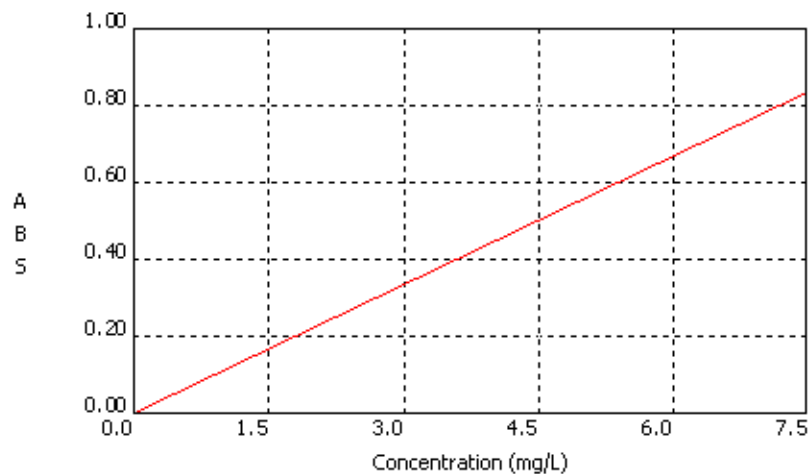
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Element cookbook

Calibration Graph



Cookbook Type

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CALIBRATION

- Start At... Ctrl+F8
- Calibration...** Shift+F3
- Reslope... Shift+F4
- Zero F11
- Random Sample... F8
- Determine SIPS LRR...
- Calibrate Pumps...
- Condition Pump Tubes...
- Optimize...
- Flame Facilities... F7
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- Firing Counter...
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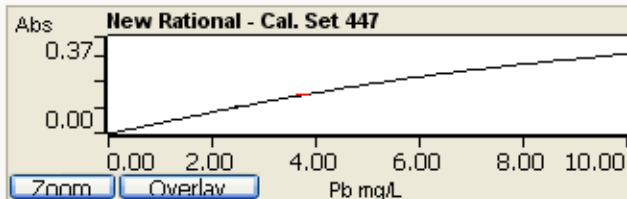
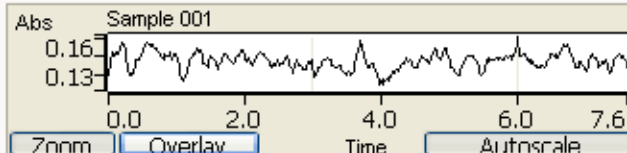
	7.0	Aq	328.	Cu	324.
	/L		mg/L	mg/L	
		1.122m	7.858m		
		0.105m	4.156m		
		0.087m	8.982m		
		OVERm	8.916m		
		1.894m	6.747m		
			0.195m		
7	Sample 007				
8	Sample 008				
9	Sample 009				
10	Sample 010				
11	Sample 011				
12	Sample 012				

Analysis

Mean Abs

1.0

0.1462



Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0011	0.00m	50.0
STANDARD 1	0.1019	2.50m	0.2
STANDARD 2	0.1850	5.00m	1.0
STANDARD 3	0.3021	10.00m	0.2
Reslope		5.00	

PbMethod 1 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 sConcentration
Air/AcetyleneLamp 1
Manual
BC OffRow 1 of 50
Result rows: 50

KANI

Perform a calibration on a specified method



Filing Develop Labels Analysis

Concentration	%RSD	Mean Abs

Select

Optimize

Start

Stop

Read

Tube	Sample
1	Sample
2	Sample
3	Sample
4	Sample
5	Sample
6	Sample
7	Sample
8	Sample

Optimize stopped

Optimize started

Optimize stopped

Calibrate

Select the method you want to calibrate and press OK.

- Pb**

Ok Cancel Help

5.0 10.0 15.0

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Reference Cal.

Standards required for 4R

Ag mg/L

Abs	Conc	%RSD
0.0000	0.000	0.0
	1.000	
	2.000	
	4.000	
	2.000	

Ag Method 1 of 1
Absorbance
Integrate 5.0 s

Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Row 1 of 50
Result rows: 0



Filing Develop Labels Analysis

Concentration	%RSD	Mean Abs

Select

Optimize

Start

STOP
Stop

Read

Sample: Ag 228

Abs: Sample.001

Analysis Checklist

Item	Check
HC Lamps	Insert Ag lamp in position 1 (active)
Flame	Press SpectraAA IGNITE button

Replicates Start

Flame settings:
 Flame Type: Air/Acetylene, Air Flow: 13.50 L/min, Acetylene Flow: 2.00 L/min
 Burner Height: 13.5 mm

TANDARD 2
 TANDARD 3
 eslope

Ok Cancel Help

Abs	Conc	%RSD
0.0000	0.000	0.0
1.000	2.000	
4.000	4.000	
2.000	2.000	

Ag

Method 1 of 1
Absorbance
Integrate 5.0 s

Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Row 1 of 50
Result rows: 0

Meth

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Labels

Analysis

Concentration

3.75m

%RSD

1.0

Mean Abs

0.1462



Select



Optimize



Start



Stop



Read

Hold

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Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s



Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Auto Calibrating
CAL ZERO

Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328. mg/L	Cu 324. mg/L
1	Sample 001			
2	Sample 002			
3	Sample 003			
4	Sample 004			
5	Sample 005			
6	Sample 006			
7	Sample 007			
8	Sample 008			
9	Sample 009			
10	Sample 010			
11	Sample 011			
12	Sample 012			

Warning



Present solution CAL ZERO

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Pause

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Abs	Conc	%RSD
1.83		
1.46		
0.1819	2.50m	0.2
0.1850	5.00m	1.0
0.3021	10.00m	0.2
	5.00	

CAL ZERO

0.00

0.2

STANDARD 1

0.1819

2.50m

0.2

STANDARD 2

0.1850

5.00m

1.0

STANDARD 3

0.3021

10.00m

0.2

Reslope

5.00

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Analysis

Concentration

0.00m

%RSD

11.0

Mean Abs

-0.0013



Select



Optimize



Start



Stop



Read

Hold

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Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s



Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Auto Calibrating
CAL ZERO, Replicate 3/3

End C

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Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328. mg/L	Cu 324. mg/L
1	Sample 001	3.75m	1.122m	7.858m
2	Sample 002	1.34m	0.105m	4.156m
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10	Sample 010			
11	Sample 011			
12	Sample 012			

Confirm



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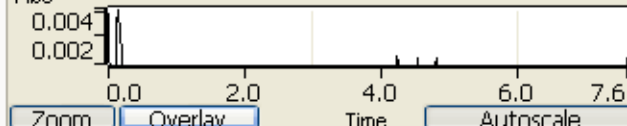
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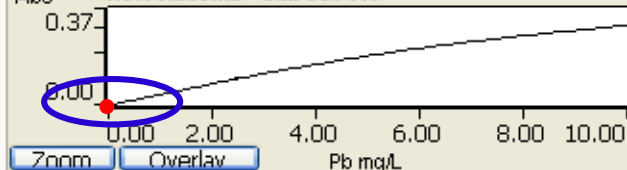
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Abs CAL ZERO



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Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	-0.0013	0.00m	11.0
STANDARD 1	0.1019	2.50m	0.2
STANDARD 2	0.1850	5.00m	1.0
STANDARD 3	0.3021	10.00m	0.2
Reslope		5.00	

End Collect



Filing

Develop

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Analysis

Concentration

0.00m

%RSD

11.0

Mean Abs

-0.0013



Select



Optimize



Start



Stop



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Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s



Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Auto Calibrating
STANDARD 1

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Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328. mg/L	Cu 324. mg/L
1	Sample 001			
2	Sample 002			
3	Sample 003			
4	Sample 004			
5	Sample 005			
6	Sample 006			
7	Sample 007			
8	Sample 008			
9	Sample 009			
10	Sample 010			
11	Sample 011			
12	Sample 012			

Warning



Present solution STANDARD 1

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Pause

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Abs	STANDARD 1
0.010	
0.000	

Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0013	0.00m	11.0
STANDARD 1		2.50	
STANDARD 2		5.00	
STANDARD 3		10.00	
Reslope		5.00	



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Concentration	%RSD	Mean Abs
2.50m	0.4	0.0867

Select

Optimize

Start

Stop

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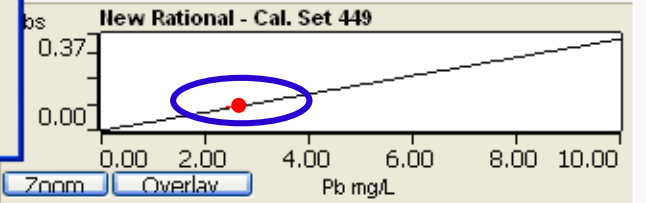
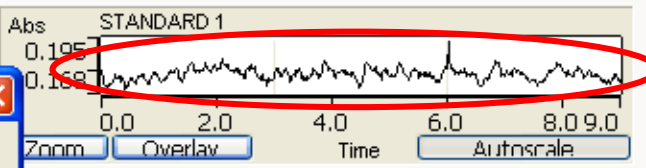
Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328. mg/L	Cu 324. mg/L
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8	Sample 008			
9	Sample 009			
10	Sample 010			
11	Sample 011			
12	Sample 012			

Confirm

Present Rinse

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Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0912	0.00m	0.6
STANDARD 1	0.0867	2.50m	0.4
STANDARD 2		5.00	
STANDARD 3		10.00	
Reslope		5.00	

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Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s

Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Auto Calibrating
STANDARD 1, Replicate 3/3

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Analysis

Concentration

2.50m

%RSD

0.4

Mean Abs

0.0867



Select



Optimize



Start



Stop



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Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s



Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Auto Calibrating
STANDARD 2

KANI

Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328.0 mg/L	Cu 324.0 mg/L
1	Sample 001			
2	Sample 002			
3	Sample 003			
4	Sample 004			
5	Sample 005			
6	Sample 006			
7	Sample 007			
8	Sample 008			
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10	Sample 010			
11	Sample 011			
12	Sample 012			

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Present solution STANDARD 2

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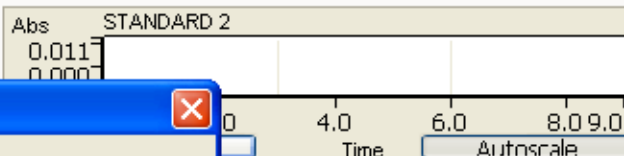
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Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0912	0.00m	0.6
STANDARD 1	0.0807	2.50m	0.4
STANDARD 2		5.00	
STANDARD 3		10.00	
Reslope		5.00	



Cal - Cal. Set 449

Pb mg/L



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analysis

Concentration

5.00m

%RSD

0.8

Mean Abs

0.1571



Select



Optimize



Start



Stop



Read

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Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s



Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Auto Calibrating
STANDARD 2, Replicate 3/3

End C

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Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328.0 mg/L	Cu 324.0 mg/L
1	Sample 001	3.75m	1.122m	7.858m
2	Sample			
3	Sample			
4	Sample			
5	Sample			
6	Sample			
7	Sample			
8	Sample			
9	Sample 009			
10	Sample 010			
11	Sample 011			
12	Sample 012			

Confirm



Present Rinse

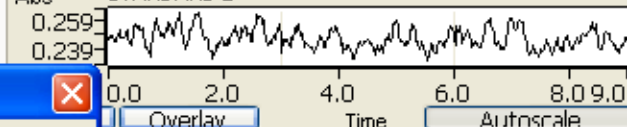
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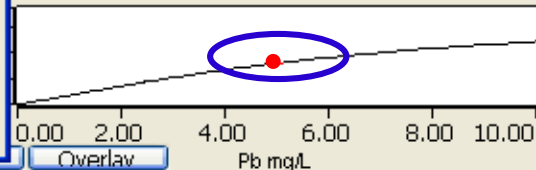
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Abs STANDARD 2



New Rational - Cal. Set 449



Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0912	0.00m	0.6
STANDARD 1	0.0867	2.50m	0.4
STANDARD 2	0.1571	5.00m	0.8
STANDARD 3		10.00	
Reslope		5.00	

End Collect



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analysis

Concentration

10.00m

%RSD

0.0

Mean Abs

0.2653



Select



Optimize



Start



Stop



Read

Hahn

Pb

Method 1 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s



Concentration
Air/Acetylene

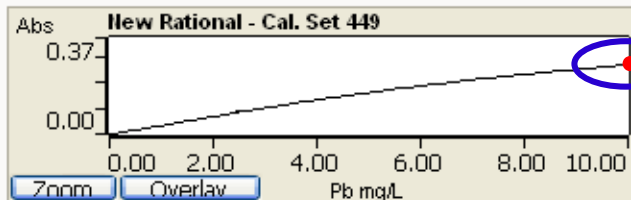
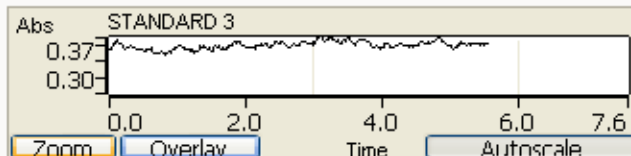
Lamp 1
Manual
BC OF

Auto Calibrating
STANDARD 3, Replicate 2/3

Colle

KANI

Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328. mg/L	Cu 324. mg/L
1	Sample 001	3.75m	1.122m	7.858m
2	Sample 002	1.34m	0.105m	4.156m
3	Sample 003	6.94m	0.087m	8.982m
4	Sample 004	2.55m	OVERm	8.916m
5	Sample 005	1.43m	1.894m	6.747m
6	Sample 006			0.195m
7	Sample 007			
8	Sample 008			
9	Sample 009			
10	Sample 010			
11	Sample 011			
12	Sample 012			



Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0912	0.00m	0.6
STANDARD 1	0.0867	2.50m	0.4
STANDARD 2	0.1571	5.00m	0.8
STANDARD 3	0.2653	10.00m	0.0
Reslope		5.00	

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Your system is exposed to risk. For more information, click on this notification.



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analysis

Concentration

10.00m

%RSD

1.0

Mean Abs

0.2685



Select



Optimize



Start



Stop



Read

Help

Pb

Method 1 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s



Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Auto Calibrating
STANDARD 3, Replicate 3/3

KANI

Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328.0 mg/L	Cu 324.0 mg/L
1	Sample 001	3.75m	1.122m	7.858m
2	Sample 002	1.34m	0.105m	4.156m
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10	Sample 010			
11	Sample 011			
12	Sample 012			

Confirm



Present Rinse

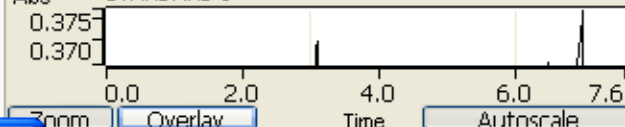
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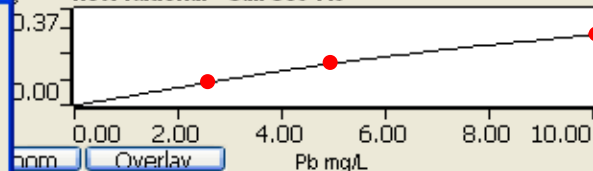
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Help

Abs STANDARD 3



New Rational - Cal. Set 449



Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0912	0.00m	0.6
STANDARD 1	0.0867	2.50m	0.4
STANDARD 2	0.1571	5.00m	0.8
STANDARD 3	0.2685	10.00m	1.0
Reslope		5.00	



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analysis

Concentration

10.00m

%RSD

1.0

Mean Abs

0.2685



Select



Optimize



Start



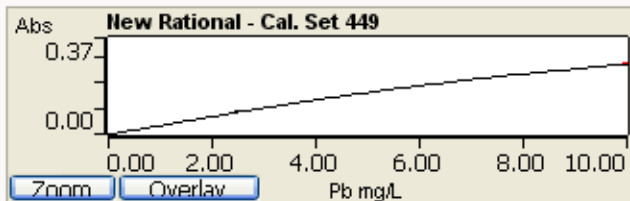
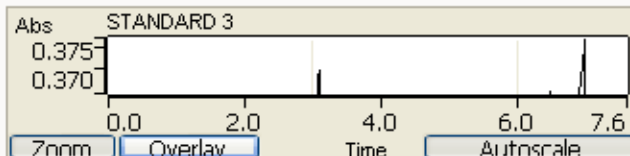
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Read

Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328. mg/L	Cu 324. mg/L
1	Sample 001	3.75m	1.122m	7.858m
2	Sample 002	1.34m	0.105m	4.156m
3	Sample 003	6.94m	0.087m	8.982m
4	Sample 004	2.55m	OVERm	8.916m
5	Sample 005	1.43m	1.894m	6.747m
6	Sample 006			0.195m
7	Sample 007			
8	Sample 008			

Tube	Sample Labels	Pb 217.0 mg/L	Aq 328. mg/L	Cu 324. mg/L
CAL: STANDARD 3		10.00m	1.0	0.270
				0.270



Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0912	0.00m	0.6
STANDARD 1	0.0867	2.50m	0.4
STANDARD 2	0.1571	5.00m	0.8
STANDARD 3	0.2685	10.00m	1.0
Reslope		5.00	

Pb

Method 1 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 sConcentration
Air/AcetyleneLamp 1
Manual
BC Off

Read Mode Idle

KANI

OPTIMIZATION

Filing Develop Labels Analysis

Concentration %RSD Mean Abs

Select

Optimize

Start

Stop

Read

Tube	Sample Label	Abs
1	Sample	
2	Sample	
3	Sample	
4	Sample	
5	Sample	
6	Sample	
7	Sample	
8	Sample	

Worksheet create
Worksheet details
Name: Untitled1
Analyst:
Comments:

Optimize

Select the method you want to optimize and press OK.

- Ag

Ok Cancel Help

Abs Sample 001

5.0 10.0 15.0
Tir Autoscale

Reference Cal
Units required for
Ag mg/L

Abs	Conc	%RSD
0.0000	0.000	0.0
	1.000	
	2.000	
	4.000	
	2.000	

TANDARD 1
TANDARD 2
TANDARD 3
eslope

Help

Ag Method 1 of 1
Absorbance Integrate 5.0 s

Concentration Air/Acetylene

Lamp 1 Manual BC Off

Row 1 of 50 Result rows: 0

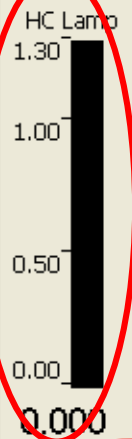
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Flame Optimization

Sampler Offline

Goto Tube
Rack 1
Tube 1

Optimization: Lamp



Analysis Checklist

Ag

Item	Check
HC Lamps	Insert Ag lamp in position 1 (active)

Ok Cancel Help

Optimize Lamps

Optimize Signal

Park

Prime Diluter

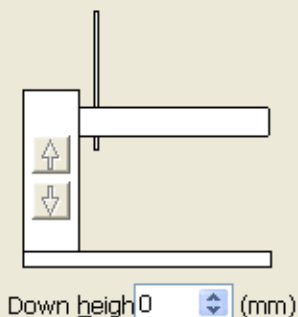
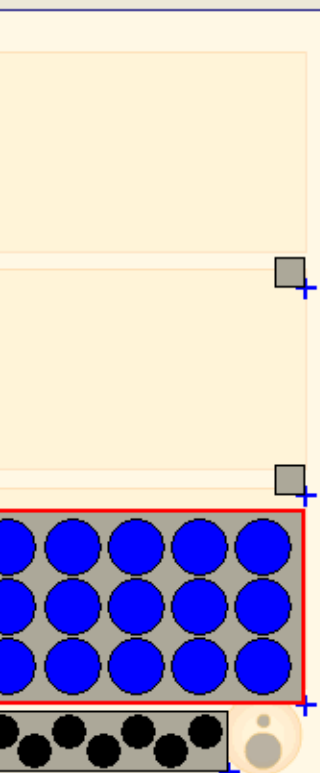
Rescale

Inst Zero

Gain 0 %

Ok

Sensitivity Check 1.5 mg/L gives about 0.2 Abs at 328.1 nm, A/A bur



- Key to tube colors
- Sample
 - Calibration
 - Calibration/QC
 - Sample/QC
 - Dilution
 - Not Assigned

Sampler Offline

Goto Tube

Rack Tube

Goto Tube

Align Probe

Rinse

Stop rinse

Park

Prime Diluter

Optimization: Lamp

H₂ Lamp

1.30

1.00

0.50

0.00

0.799

Optimize Lamps

Optimize Signal

Rescale

Inst Zero

Gain 91 %

Ok

Cancel

Help

Gas Flow (L/min)

Oxidant Acet

20.00 8.00

18.00 6.00

16.00 4.00

14.00 1.50

13.50 2.00

Burner Height 13.5

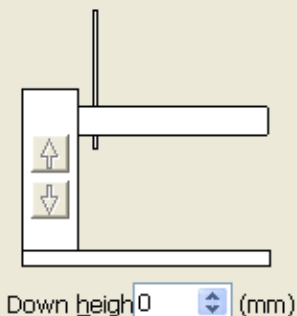
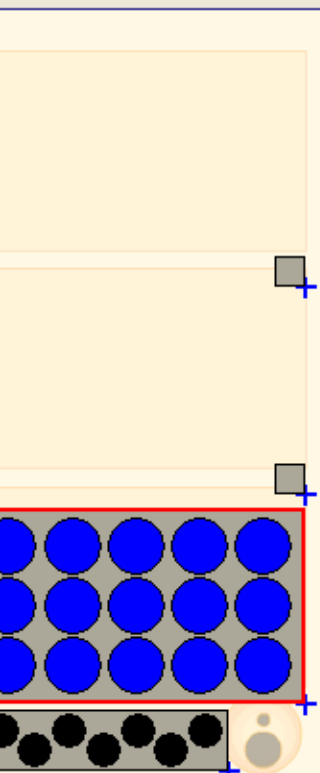
SIPS

Start Pump

Stop Pump

Sensitivity Check 1.5 mg/L gives about 0.2 Abs at 328.1 nm, A/A bur

ion



Down height 0 (mm)

- Key to tube colors
- Sample
 - Calibration
 - Calibration/QC
 - Sample/QC
 - Dilution
 - Not Assigned

Sampler Offline

Goto Tube

Rack

Tube

-
-
-
-
-

Optimization: Signal

FG Signal



-
-
-
-
-

-
-
-

Gas Flow (L/min)

Oxidant	Acet
20.00	8.00
18.00	6.00
16.00	4.00
14.00	1.50
11.00	

Burner Height

- SIPS
- -

Sensitivity Check 1.5 mg/L gives about 0.2 Abs at 328.1 nm, A/A bur



Filing Develop Labels Analysis

Concentration	%RSD	Mean Abs

Select

Optimize

Start

Stop

Read

Optimize

Select the method you want to optimize and press OK.

Ag

Ok Cancel Help

Tube	Sample Label	Abs	Sample 001
1	Sample		
2	Sample		
3	Sample		
4	Sample		
5	Sample		
6	Sample		
7	Sample		
8	Sample		

Abs	Conc	%RSD
0.0000	0.000	0.0
	1.000	
	2.000	
	4.000	
	2.000	

Optimize stopped

Optimize started

Optimize stopped 02:42:54

READING SAMPLES

Row 1 of 50
Result rows: 0



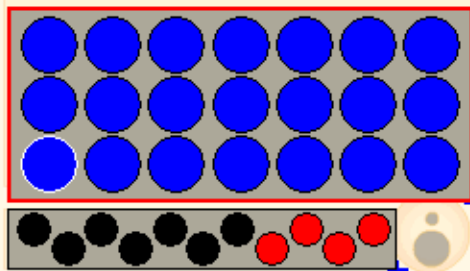
Flame Facilities

***TURNING HCL
OFF***

Down height (mm)

Key to tube colors

- Sample
- Calibration
- Calibration/QC
- Sample/QC
- Dilution
- Not Assigned



Sampler Offline

Goto Tube

Rack 1

Tube 1

Goto Tube

Align Probe

Rinse

Stop rinse

Park

Prime Diluter

SIPS Pump

Uptake Rate 5.0

Load

Unload

Purge LH Pump

Purge RH Pump

Stop Pumps

Turn On Lamps

ETC-60 ON

Close

Help



FAULT-FINDING

Filing

Develop

Concentration

0.374m

%RSD

0.9

Mean Abs

0.0503



Select



Optimize



Start



Stop



Read

Hold

Ni

Tube	Sample	Mn	279.	Ni	232.0	Co	240.	Ni	Abs	Sample 001
1	Sample									
2	Sample									
3	Sample									
4	Sample									
5	Sample									
6	Sample									
7	Sample									

Optimize started [...]
 F9317: Low HC lamp energy
 F9329: No Peak D

Optimize stopped 09:55:18 ٢٠١٢/٠١/١٨ ٤:٣



Optimize

Fatal Error



F9317: Low HC lamp energy [SpectraAA 280 Series - Instrument 1]

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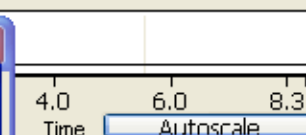
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Help

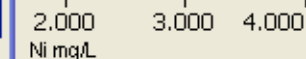
Ok

Cancel

Help



Set 63



Abs Conc %RSD

0.004	0.000m	78.9
0.1341	1.000m	1.0
0.4626	4.000m	0.2
	4.000	

Method 13 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 2.8 s



Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 4
Manual
BC Off

Row 1 of 50
Result rows: 50

KANI



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analyst: Flame Facilities

Concentration

0.374m

%RSD

0.9

Mean Abs

0.0503

Select

Optimize

Start

Stop

Read

Help

Ni

Tube	Sample Labels	Mn mg/L	Ni mg/L	Co mg/L	Ni mg/L
1	Sample 001		232.0		
2	Sample 002				
3	Sample 003				
4	Sample 004				
5	Sample 005				
6	Sample 006				
7	Sample 007				

Abs Sample 001

2.00
0.00

2.0 4.0 6.0 8.3

erlay Time Autoscale

ditional - Cal. Set 63

1.000 2.000 3.000 4.000

Ni mg/L

Zoom

Overlay

Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	-0.0004	0.000m	78.9
STANDARD 1	0.1341	1.000m	1.0
STANDARD 2	0.4626	4.000m	0.2
Reslope		4.000	

Optimize started [Ni] 09:54:46 ٢٠١٢/٠١/١٨ ٤.٣

F9317: Low HC lamp energy

F9329: No Peak Detected

Optimize stopped 09:55:18 ٢٠١٢/٠١/١٨ ٤.٣

Method 13 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 2.8 sConcentration
Air/AcetyleneLamp 4
Manual
BC OffRow 1 of 50
Result rows: 50

KANI

GCU idle



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analysis

Concentration

%RSD

Mean Abs

UNCALm

0.1

1.0202



Select



Optimize



Start



Stop



Read

Help

Ag

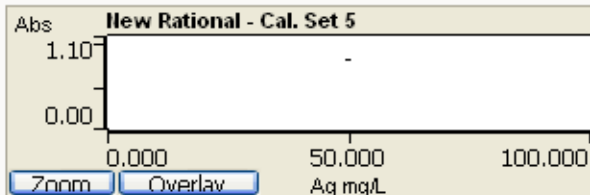
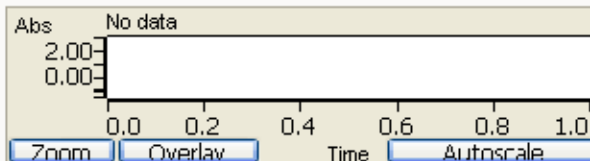
Tube	Sample Labels	Mg 202. mg/L	Ag 328. mg/L	Fe 248.3 mg/L	Al
1	Sample 001	2.1709m	UNCALm	0.497m	16
2	Sample 002	OVERm	69.740m	0.244m	0
3	Sample 003	18.6499m		3.305m	0
4	Sample 004	5.3234m		0.056m	44
5	Sample 005	15.3057m		0.240m	87
6	Sample 006	10.6843m		0.142m	42
7	Sample 007	13.4276m		0.141m	

Optimize started [Ni] 09:54:46 ٢٠١٢/١١/١٨ ٤.٣

F9317: Low HC lamp energy

F9329: No Peak Detected

Optimize stopped 09:55:18 ٢٠١٢/١١/١٨ ٤.٣



Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0000	0.000m	> 100
STANDARD 1	0.0148	1.000m	3.2
STANDARD 2	0.0601	4.000m	0.6
STANDARD 3	0.2171	10.000m	0.6
STANDARD 4	0.8054	50.000m	0.6

Method 8 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 2.5 s



Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 7
Manual
BC Off

Row 1 of 50
Result rows: 50

KANI



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analysis

Concentration

0.374m

%RSD

0.9

Mean Abs

0.0503

Select

Optimize

Start

Stop

Read

Help

Ni

Tube	Sample Labels	Mn mg/L	Ni 232.0 mg/L	Co 240. mg/L	Ni
1	Sample 001				
2	Sample 002				
3	Sample 003				
4	Sample 004				
5	Sample 005				
6	Sample 006				
7	Sample 007				

Abs Sample 001

2.00
0.00

2.0 4.0 6.0 8.3

erlay Time Autoscale

ditional - Cal. Set 63

1.000 2.000 3.000 4.000

Ni mg/L

Zoom

Overlay

Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	-0.0004	0.000m	78.9
STANDARD 1	0.1341	1.000m	1.0
STANDARD 2	0.4626	4.000m	0.2
Reslope		4.000	

Optimize started [Ni] 09:54:46 ٢٠١٢/١١/١٨ ٤.٣

F9317: Low HC lamp energy

F9329: No Peak Detected

Optimize stopped 09:55:18 ٢٠١٢/١١/١٨ ٤.٣

Method 13 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 2.8 sConcentration
Air/AcetyleneLamp 4
Manual
BC OffRow 1 of 50
Result rows: 50

KANI

GCU idle



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analysis

Concentration

0.374m

%RSD

0.9

Mean Abs

0.0503

Select

Optimize

Start

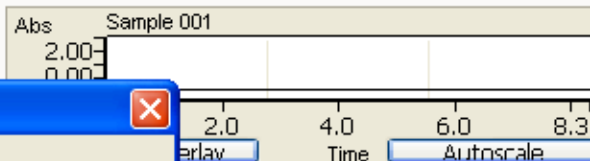
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Read

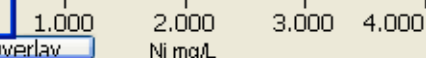
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Ni

Tube	Sample Labels	Mn	279.0	Ni	232.0	Co	240.0	Ni
		mg/L		mg/L		mg/L		
1	Sample 001							
2	Sample 002							
3	Sample 003							
4	Sample 004							
5	Sample 005							
6	Sample 006							
7	Sample 007							



Additional - Cal. Set 63



Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	-0.0004	0.000m	78.9
STANDARD 1	0.1341	1.000m	1.0
STANDARD 2	0.4626	4.000m	0.2
Reslope		4.000	

Optimize started [Ni] 09:54:46 ٢٠١٢/٠١/١٨ ٤.٣

F9317: Low HC lamp energy

F9329: No Peak Detected

Optimize stopped 09:55:18 ٢٠١٢/٠١/١٨ ٤.٣

Method 13 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 2.8 s

Concentration
Air/Acetylene

Lamp 4
Manual
BC Off

Row 1 of 50
Result rows: 50

KANI

GCU idle



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Analysis

Concentration

16.15m

%RSD

0.2

Mean Abs

0.1164

Select

Optimize

Start

Stop

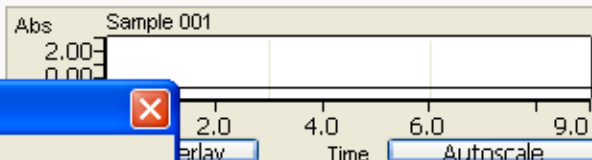
Read

Help

AI

Tube	Sample Labels	Fe	248.3	Al	309.3	Au	242.1	Mr
1	Sample 001		mg/L		mg/L		mg/L	
2	Sample 002							
3	Sample 003							
4	Sample 004							
5	Sample 005							
6	Sample 006							
7	Sample 007							

Tube	Sample ID	Conc mg/L	%RSD	SD
Al (Flame) - analysis time to date: 1225minutes				
Worksheet Saved				



Additional - Cal. Set 96

Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0000	0.00m	>100
STANDARD 1	0.3558	50.00m	0.5
STANDARD 2	0.6501	100.00m	0.4
Reslope		100.00	

Method 10 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s

Concentration
N2O/Acetylene

Lamp 7
Manual
BC Off

Ending method.

Meth
GCU i

KANI



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analysis

Concentration

0.374m

%RSD

0.9

Mean Abs

0.0503

Select

Optimize

Start

Stop

Read

Help

Ni

Tube	Sample	Mn	279.	Ni	232.0	Co	240.	Ni	Abs	Sample 001
1	Sample									
2	Sample									
3	Sample									
4	Sample									
5	Sample									
6	Sample									
7	Sample									

Optimize started [...]
 F9317: Low HC lat
 F9329: No Peak D
 Optimize stopped 09:55:18 Y+ 1/1/1/1A 5.3



Optimize

Fatal Error



F9329: No Peak Detected [SpectraAA 280 Series - Instrument 1]

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Ok

Help

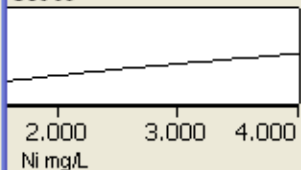
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Cancel

Help

4.0 6.0 8.3
 Time Autoscale

Set 63



Abs	Conc	%RSD
0.0004	0.000m	78.9
0.1341	1.000m	1.0
0.4626	4.000m	0.2
	4.000	

Method 13 of 28
 Absorbance
 Integrate 2.8 s

Concentration
 Air/Acetylene

Lamp 4
 Manual
 BC Off

Row 1 of 50
 Result rows: 50

KANI



Filing

Develop

Labels

Analysis

Concentration

16.15m

%RSD

0.2

Mean Abs

0.1164

Select

Optimize

Start

Stop

Read

Help

AI

Tube	Sample Labels	Fe 248.3 mg/L	Al 309.3 mg/L	Au 242.1 mg/L	Mr	Abs	Sample 001
1	Sample 001					2.00	
2	Sample 002					0.00	
3	Sample 003						
4	Sample 004						
5	Sample 005						
6	Sample 006						
7	Sample 007						

Fatal Error



F8509: Instrument offline or not connected [- Instrument 1]

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Ok

Help

Tube	Sample ID	Conc mg/L	%RSD	SD
AI (Flame) - analysis time to date: 1225minutes				
Worksheet Saved				

Zoom

Overlapp

Standard	Abs	Conc	%RSD
CAL ZERO	0.0000	0.00m	>100
STANDARD 1	0.3558	50.00m	0.5
STANDARD 2	0.6501	100.00m	0.4
Reslope		100.00	

Method 10 of 28
Absorbance
Integrate 3.0 s



Concentration
N2O/Acetylene

Lamp 7
Manual
BC Off

Ending method.

Meth
GCU i

KANI