
NASTER Workshop

Calibration

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Topics

- Expected NASTER calibration performance
- Requirements flow-down to NASTER
Blackbodies
- NAST/S-HIS Blackbody Subsystem
proposed for NASTER
- NAST & S-HIS Calibration Performance
Review

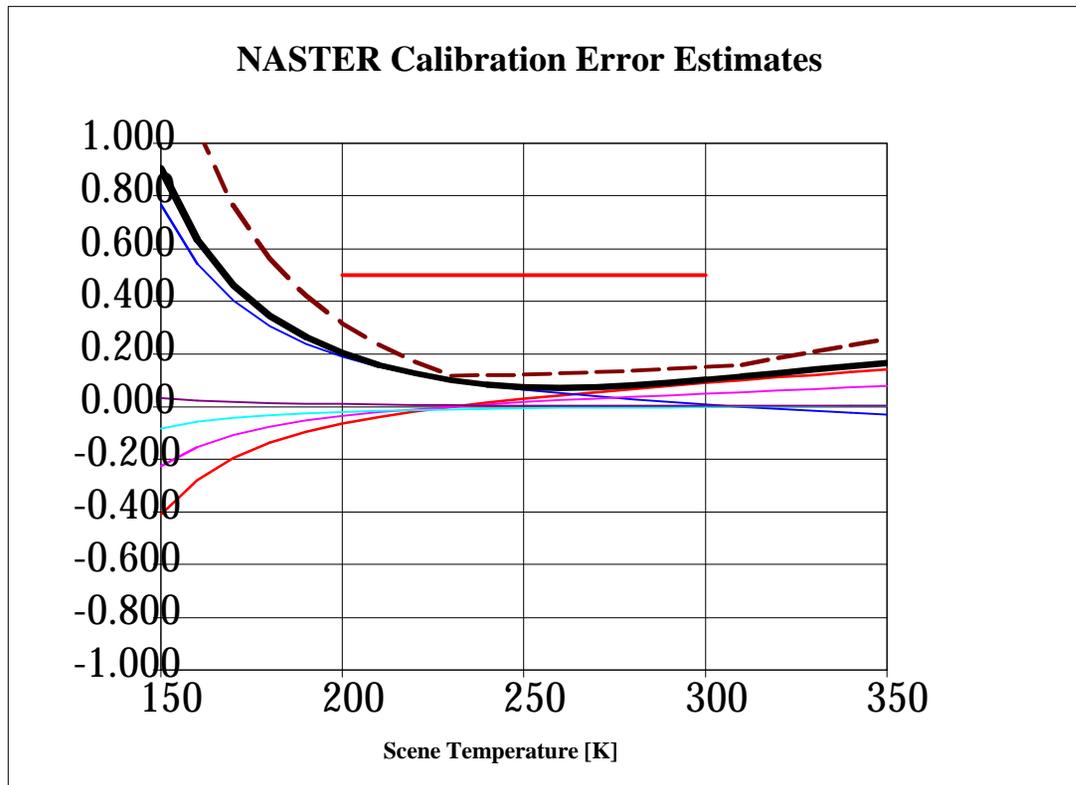
Expected NASTER Calibration Performance

NASTER Instrument Calibration Relationship

$$N = (B_H - B_A) \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{C_S - C_A}{C_H - C_A} \right) + B_A$$

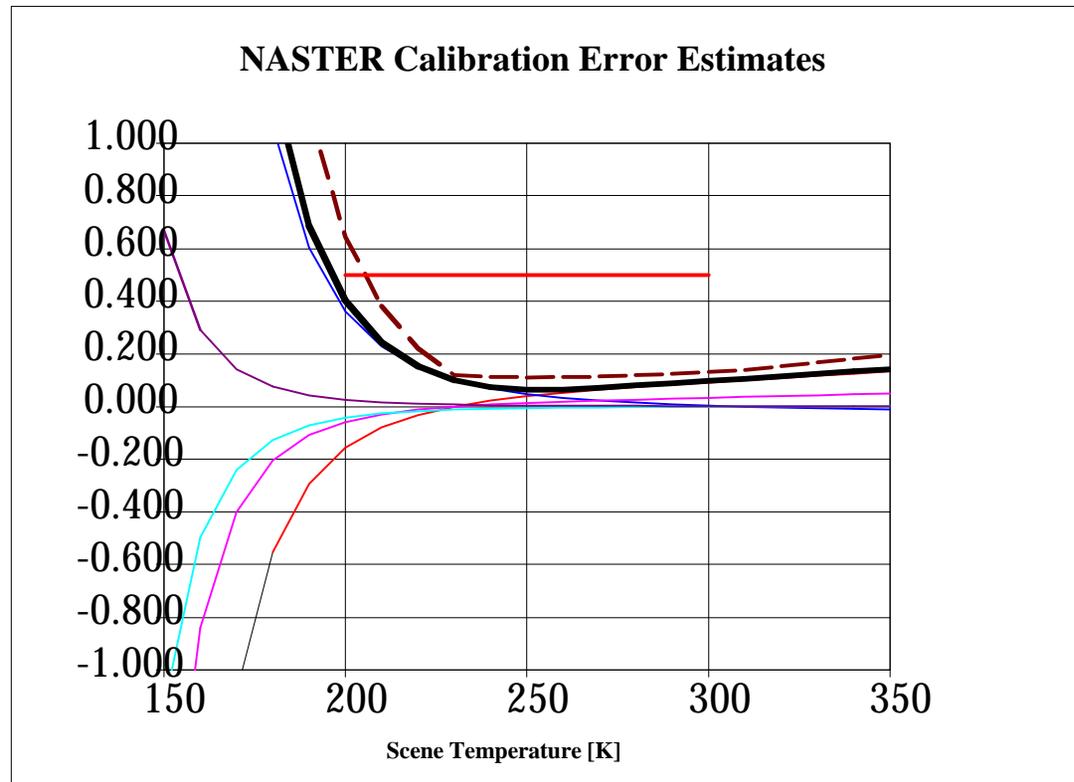
- N is the calibrated spectral radiance
- B_H is the effective Planck emission for the hot blackbody
- B_A is the effective Planck emission for the ambient blackbody
- C_S is the complex spectrum for the sky view
- C_H is the complex spectrum for the hot blackbody view
- C_A is the complex spectrum for the ambient blackbody view
- $\operatorname{Re}()$ is the real part of the complex ratio

Expected Calibration Errors at 770 cm⁻¹



Input Parameters			Uncertainties		
wn	770	Wavenumber, [cm-1]	² T _{hbb}	0.1	[K]
T _{hbb}	310	Temp. of Hot Blackbody, [K]	² T _{cbb}	0.1	[K]
T _{cbb}	230	Temp. of Cold Blackbody, [K]	² T _{str}	5	[K]
T _{str}	240	Temp. of Structure Reflecting into BB's, [K]	² E _{hbb}	0.001	[-]
E _{hbb}	0.999	Emissivity of HBB, [-]	² E _{cbb}	0.001	[-]
E _{cbb}	0.999	Emissivity of CBB, [-]			

Expected Calibration Errors at 1600 cm⁻¹

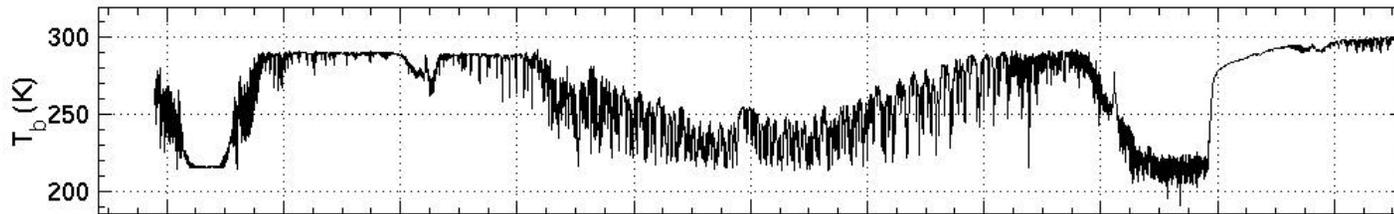


Input Parameters			Uncertainties		
wn	1600	Wavenumber, [cm-1]	σ^2_{Thbb}	0.1	[K]
Thbb	310	Temp. of Hot Blackbody, [K]	σ^2_{Tcbb}	0.1	[K]
Tcbb	230	Temp. of Cold Blackbody, [K]	σ^2_{Tstr}	5	[K]
Tstr	240	Temp. of Structure Reflecting into BB's, [K]	σ^2_{Ehbb}	0.001	[-]
Ehbb	0.999	Emissivity of HBB, [-]	σ^2_{Ecbb}	0.001	[-]
Ecbb	0.999	Emissivity of CBB, [-]			

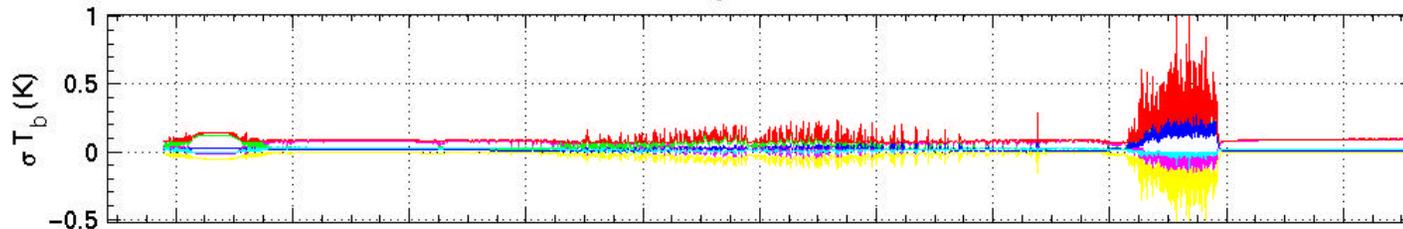
Scanning-HIS Radiometric Calibration Budget for 11/16 case

$$T_{ABB} = 227K, T_{HBB} = 310K$$

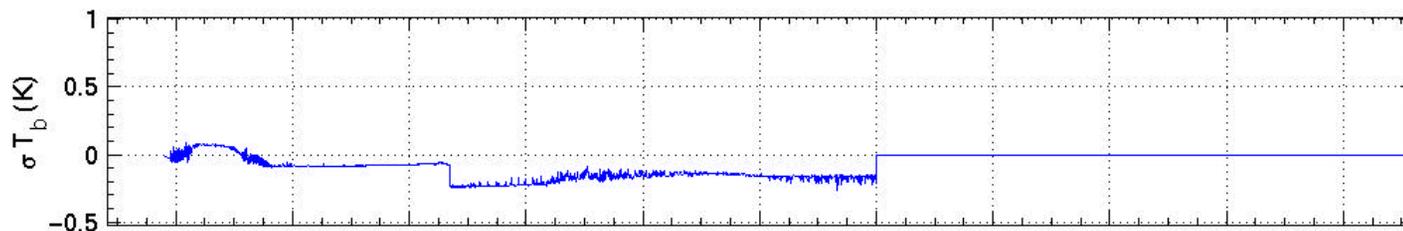
mean spectrum



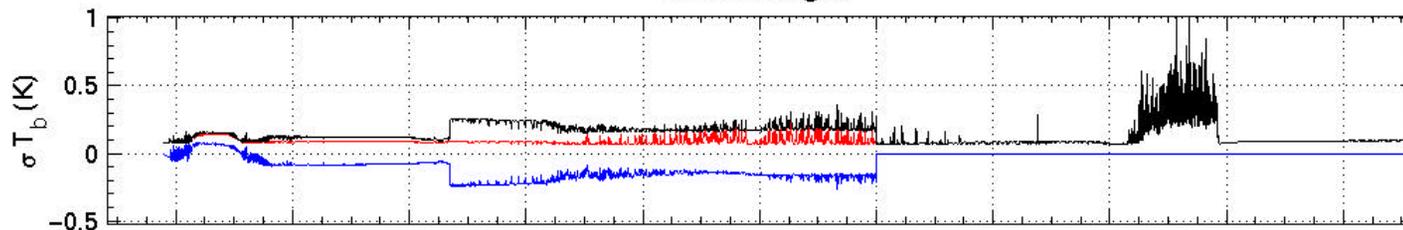
blackbody uncertainties



10% of NLC



total budget

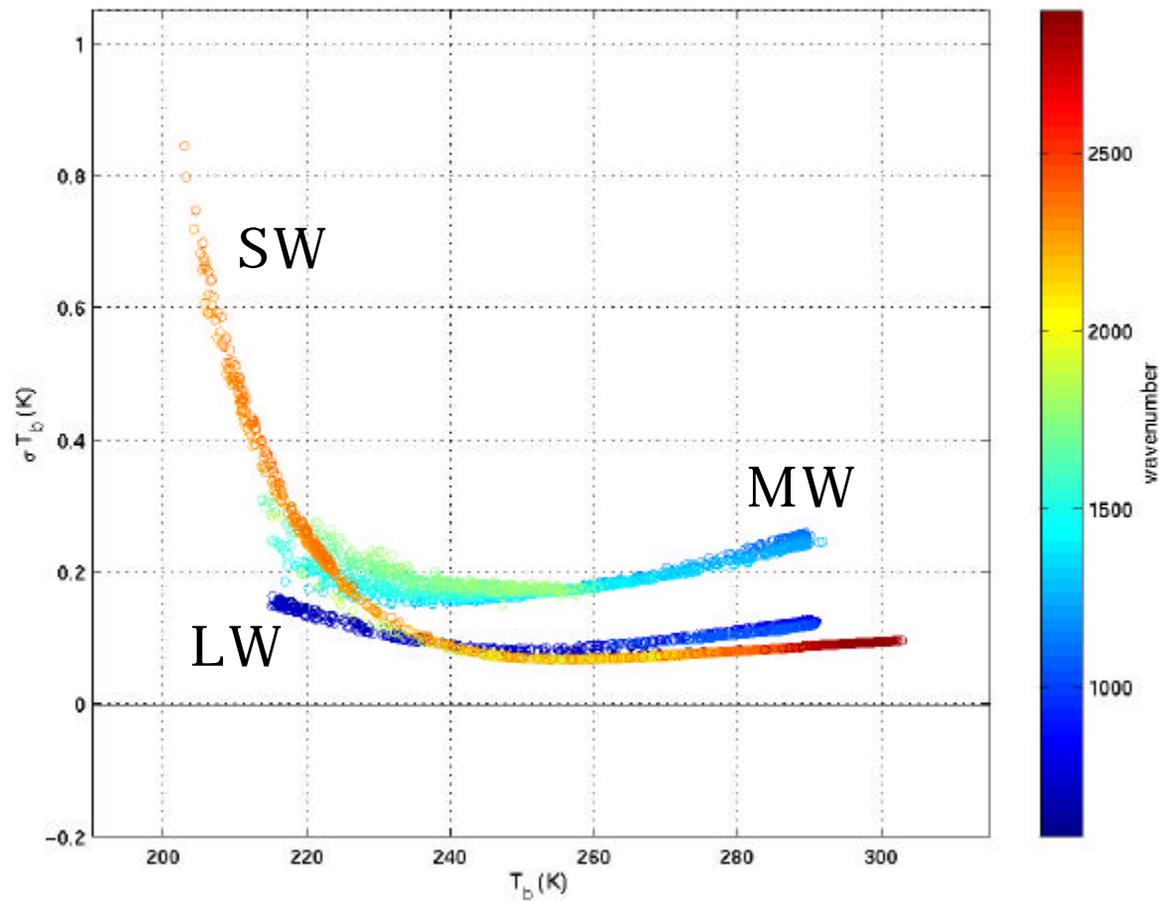


- RSS
- T_{HBB}
- T_{ABB}
- T_{RFL}
- ϵ_{HBB}
- ϵ_{ABB}

wavenumber (1/cm)

NASTER Expected Performance

$T_{\text{ABB}} = 227\text{K}$, $T_{\text{HBB}} = 310\text{K}$



Requirements Flow-down to NASTER Blackbodies

NASTER Blackbody Requirements (TBR)

The blackbody system requirements are (TBR):

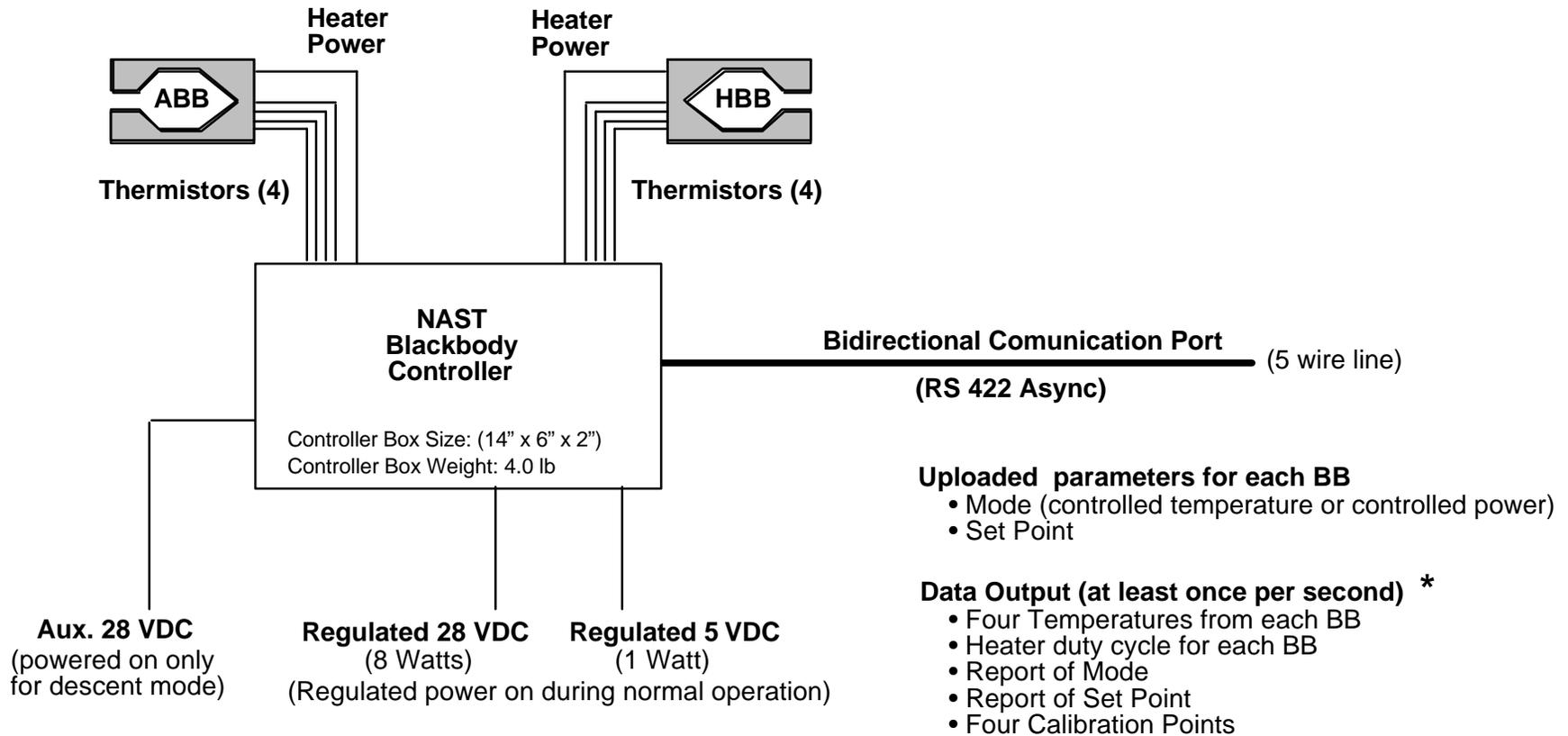
- Temperature knowledge: ± 0.1 K
- Emissivity: better than 0.999
- Emissivity knowledge: better than $\pm 0.1\%$
- Temperature gradient : knowledge within 0.1 K

NASTER Instrument imposed requirements and allocations (TBR):

- BB Aperture: 2.54 cm
- BB Envelope 8.0 cm Dia. X 14 cm long
- BB Operating Temperature: 220 to 330 K
- Mass (2 BB's and Controller): < 5.0 lb
- Power (2 BB's and Controller): < 10.0 W

**NAST/S-HIS Blackbody System
Proposed for NASTER**

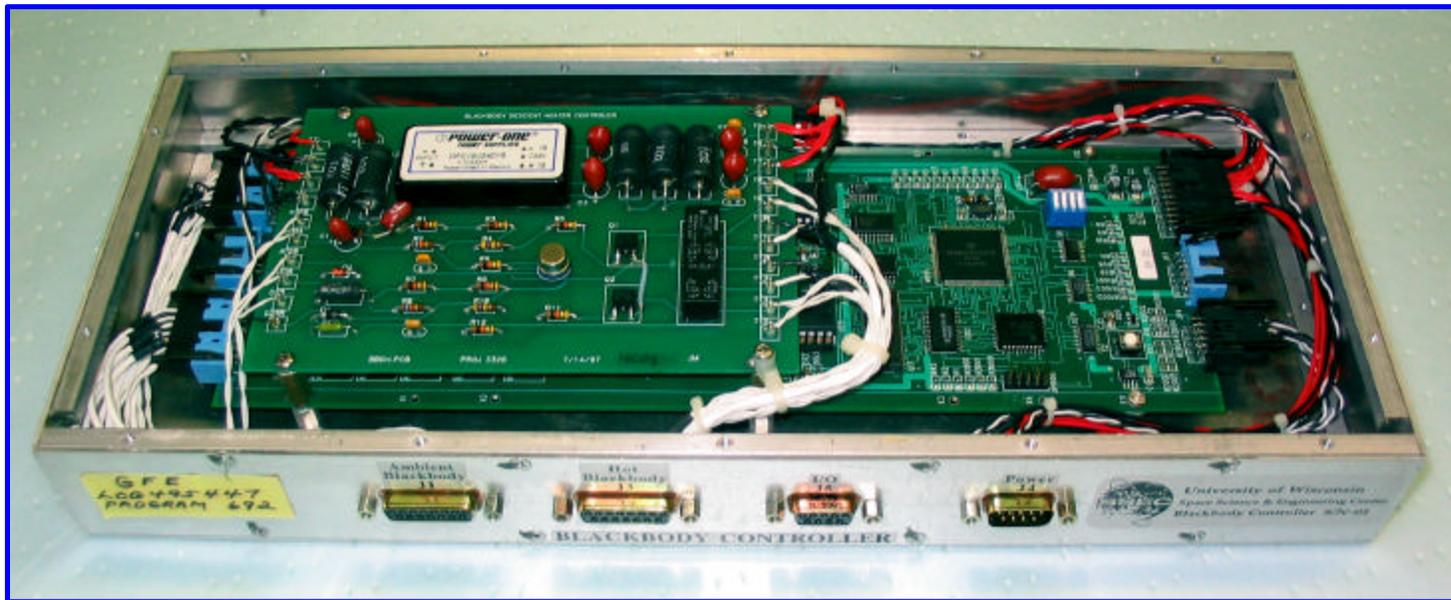
Blackbody Subsystem Block Diagram



*The Blackbody Controller can be programmed to allow for automatic updating or it can be used as a polled device. The update period is programmable.

System includes two blackbodies and a controller

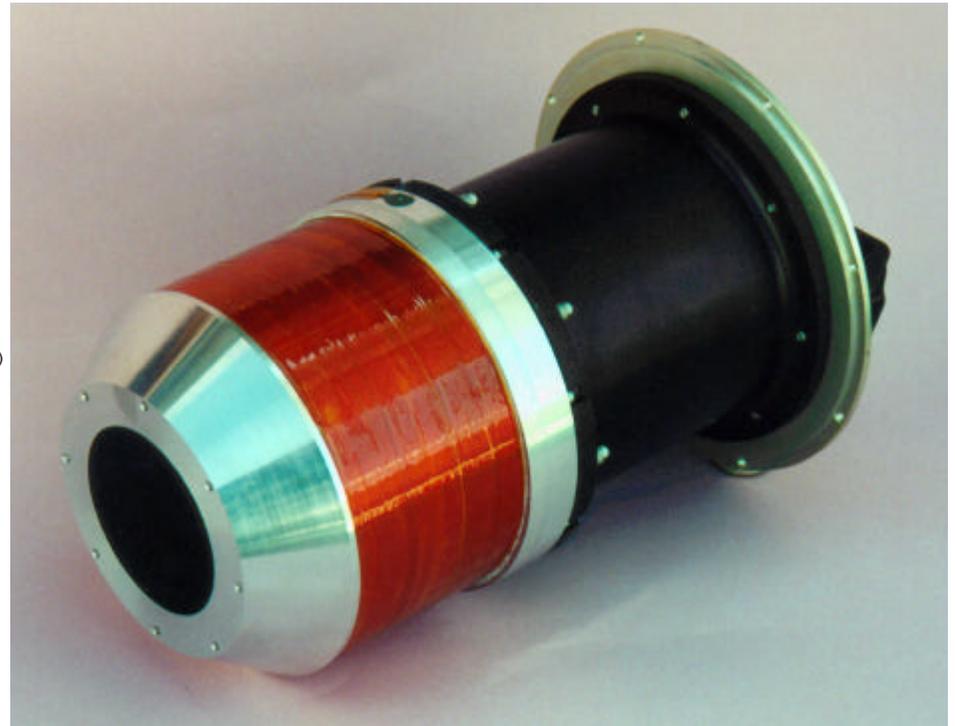
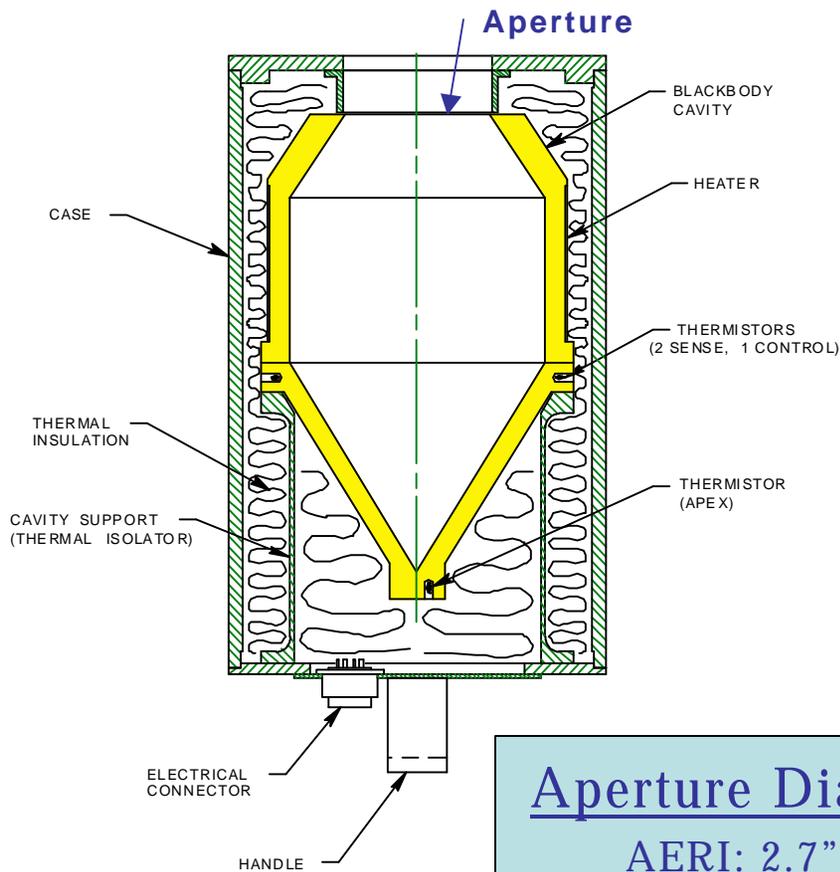
S-HIS/NAST Blackbody Controller



Size: 6" x 14" x 1.75"
Weight: <3.0 lb
Power: <2.0 W (not inc. BB htr.)

Blackbody Geometry

AERI, NAST, S-HIS, GIFTS, & Proposed NASTER



Aperture Diameters

AERI: 2.7"

S-HIS: 1.6"

NAST: 1.0"

Blackbody

Top Level Design Choices

- **Cavity Approach**
 - Provides high emissivity (cavity factor near 100)
 - Emissivity enhancement due to cavity is well characterized
 - Cavity walls provide good conduction (low gradients)
 - Easy to manufacture
- **Chemglaze Z306 Paint**
 - Provides high emissivity that is well characterized and stable
 - Provides a hardy surface
- **Thermistor Temperature Sensors**
 - Very Stable (0.01 K drift after 100 months at 70 K)
 - Easy to couple thermally to blackbody cavity
 - Reasonably rugged

Summary of Blackbody Temperature Error Contributions

TEMPERATURE (errors in degrees K)

	± peak error	(RSS)
• Calibration System Errors		
• Temperature Transfer Standard (Guildline)	0.030	
• Blackbody Controller (resistance measurement)	0.010	
	RSS ± 0.032	± 0.032
• Thermistor Temperature Calibration		
• Calibration Temperature Gradient Uncertainty	0.020	
• Calibration Coefficient Fit Error	0.003	
• Long Term Stability	0.060	
	RSS ± 0.063	± 0.063
• Cavity Temperature Non-uniformity Correction Uncertainty		
• Azimuthal Gradients Due to Free Convection		
• Longitudinal Gradients Due Primarily to Conduction		
• Radial Gradients Due to Conduction, Convection, and Radiation	0.040	
• Paint Gradient	0.030	
	RSS ± 0.050	± 0.050
• Effective Radiometric Temperature Weighting Factor Uncertainty		
• Monte Carlo Ray Trace Model Uncertainty in Determining Teff	0.030	
	RSS ± 0.030	± 0.030
		Total Error ± (RSS) 0.092

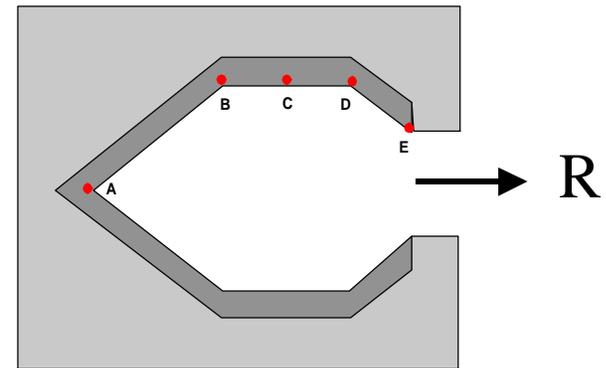
BB Emissivity

- Emissivity better than 0.999
- Emissivity knowledge: better than 0.001

$$R = e * B(T_{\text{eff}}) + (1-e)*B(T_{\text{refl}})$$

$$T_{\text{eff}} = w_1 * T_A + w_2 * T_B$$

$B(T)$ = Planck radiance at T

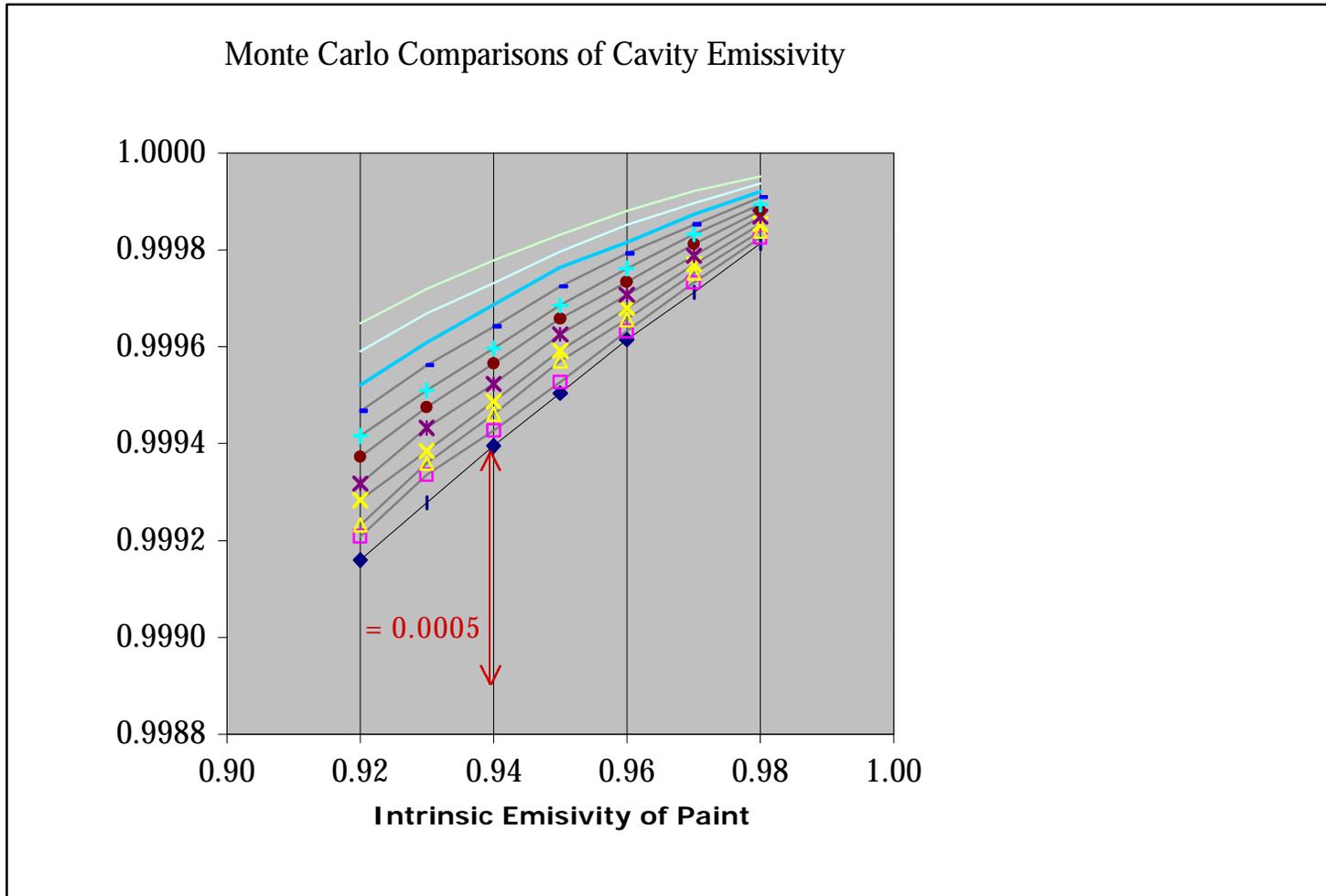


e , w_1 , and w_2 are computed using a Monte Carlo based cavity model.

Paint Emissivity vs Thickness



Monte Carlo Comparisons



Summary of Emissivity Error Contributions

EMISSIVITY (errors in cavity emissivity)

{ $E_p=0.94$, $\sigma_{E_p}^2=0.0024$ (2σ), $f=100$ }

- Paint Witness Sample Measurement (4% (2σ) of the reflectivity of the paint)
- Paint Application Variation
- Cavity Factor Uncertainty
- Long Term Stability

$$E_c = 1 - (1 - E_p)/f$$

$$\sigma_{E_c}^2 = (1/f)^2 \sigma_{E_p}^2$$

<u>± peak error</u>	<u>(RSS)</u>
± 0.000036	± 0.000036
± 0.000060	± 0.000060
± 0.000400	± 0.000400
± 0.000180	± 0.000180
Total Error ± (RSS) 0.000444	

$$E_c = 1 - (1 - E_p)/f$$

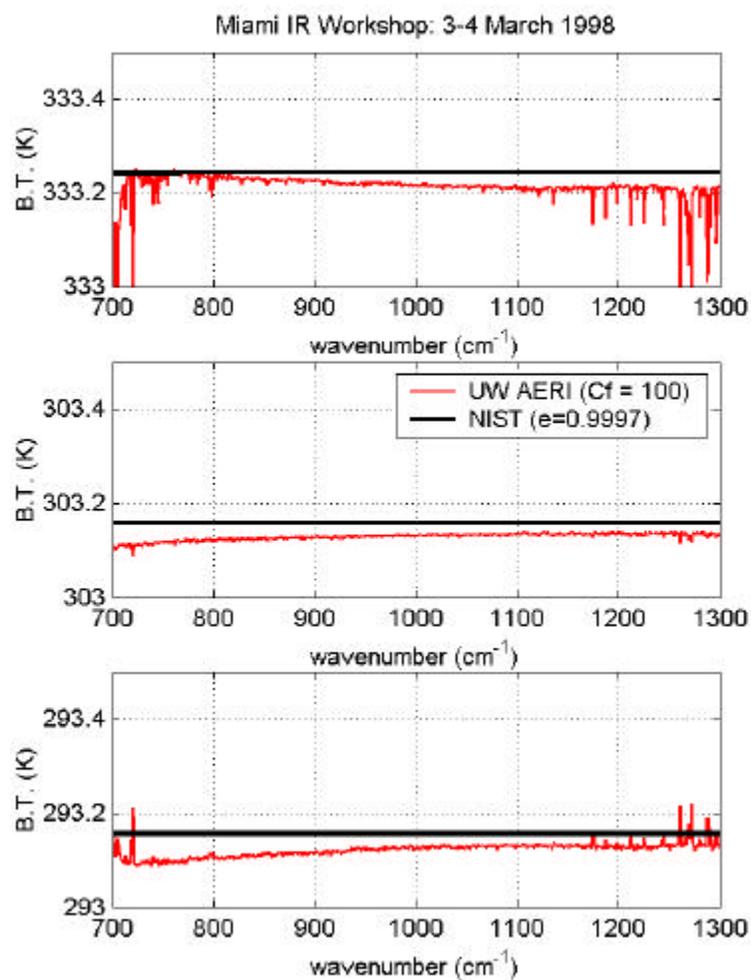
$$E_c = (1/f) E_p$$

NAST & S-HIS Calibration Performance Review

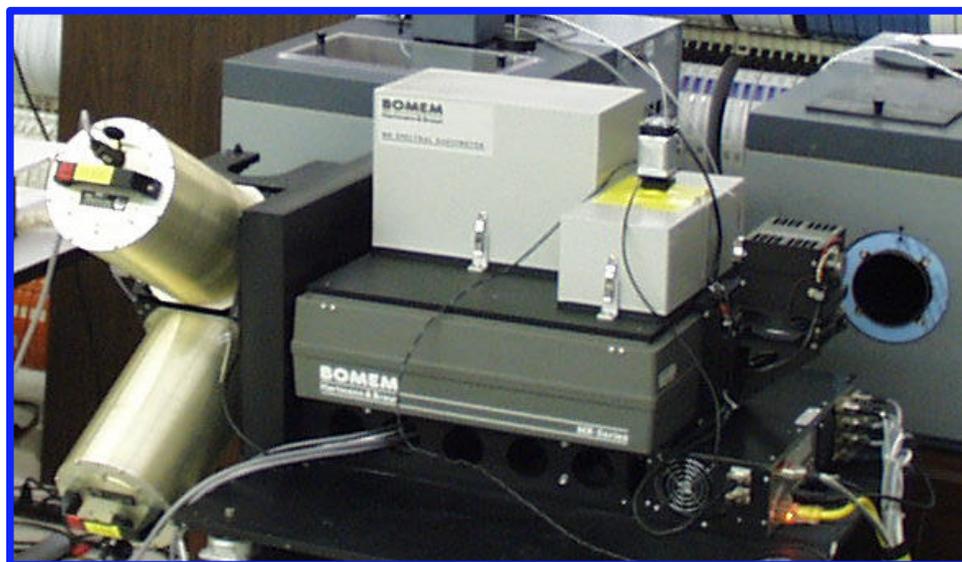
Blackbody Subsystem Heritage

- AERI (groundbased), S-HIS and NAST (aircraft) FTIR Instruments have demonstrated Radiometric Performance with accuracies better than the 1 K required for atmospheric remote sensing.
- These programs have successfully demonstrated a common methodology that integrates instrument Calibration Models and on-board blackbody Calibration Techniques using NIST traceable standards.

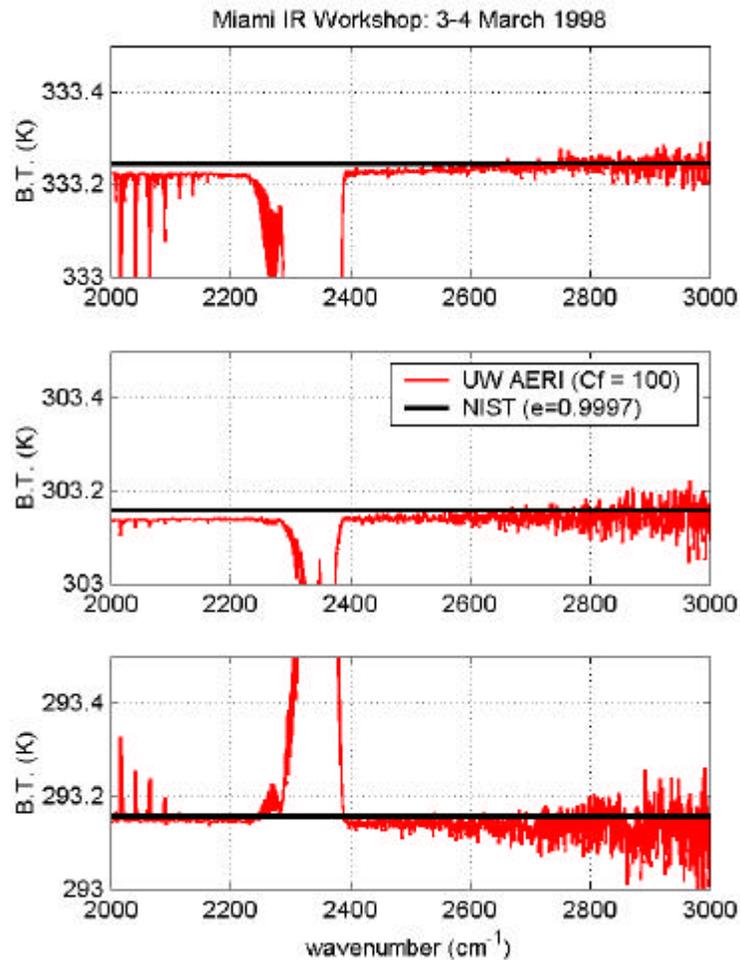
AERI / NIST Blackbody Intercomparison-LW



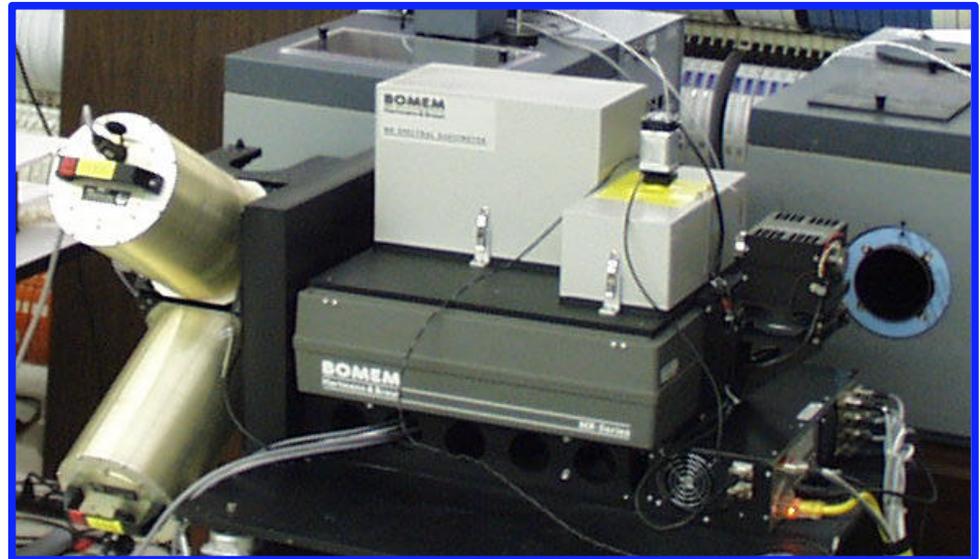
@ 333K, Max Error <0.035K
@ 303K, Max Error <0.050K
@ 293K, Max Error <0.065K



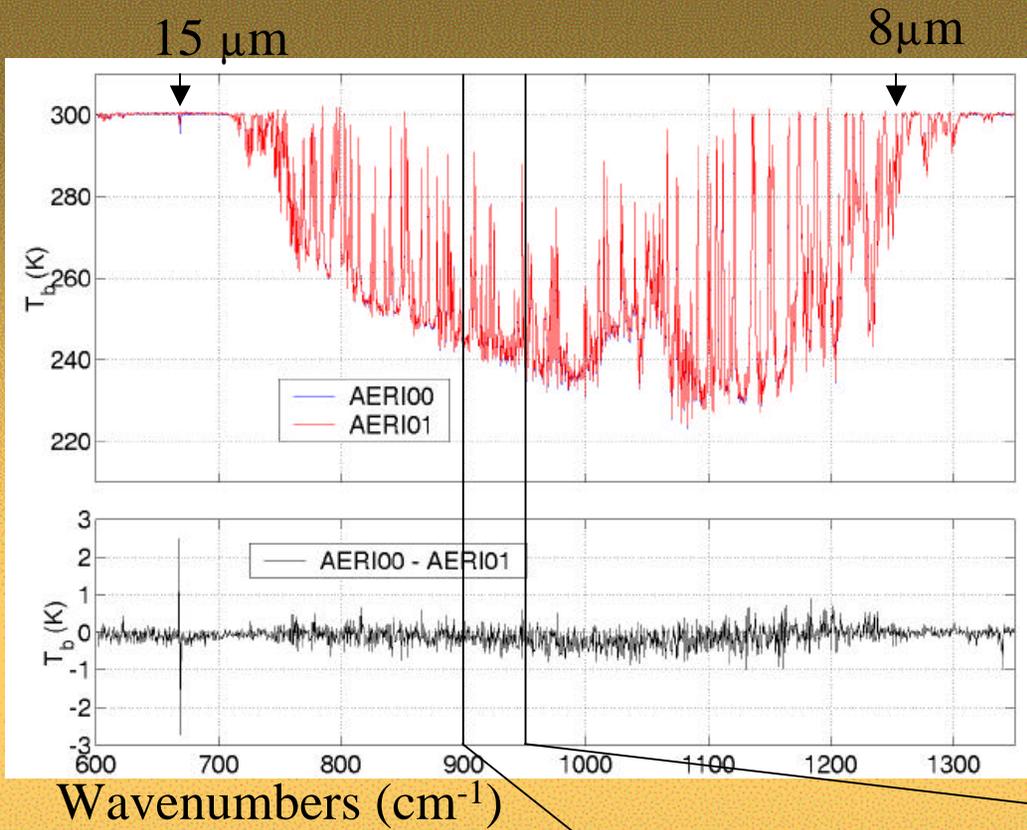
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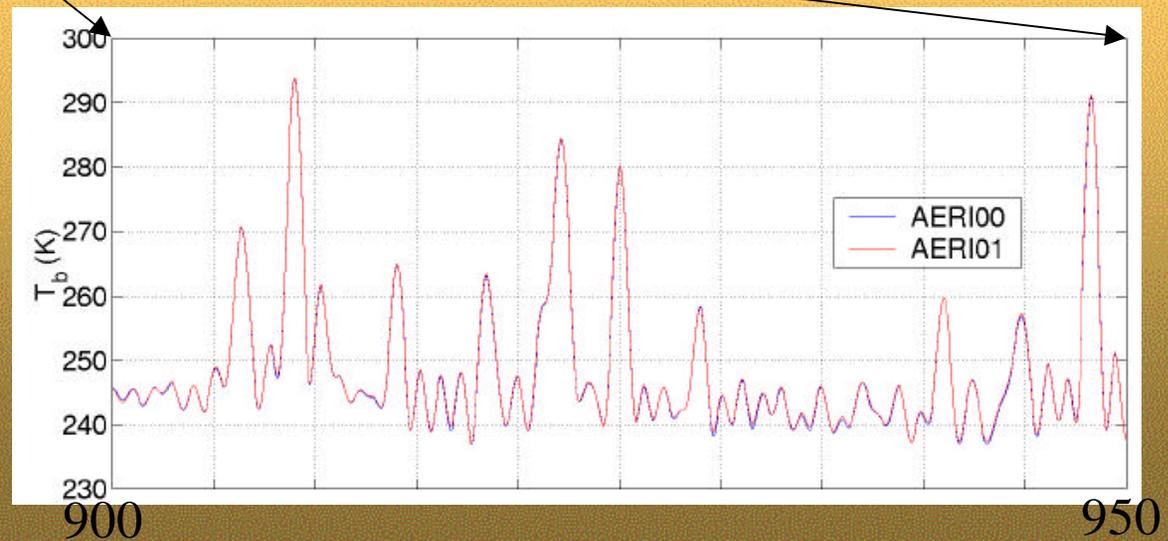
@ 333K, Max Error <0.030K
@ 303K, Max Error <0.030K
@ 293K, Max Error <0.015K



AERI Spectra



**Brightness Temp
Overlay of
2 Observations**



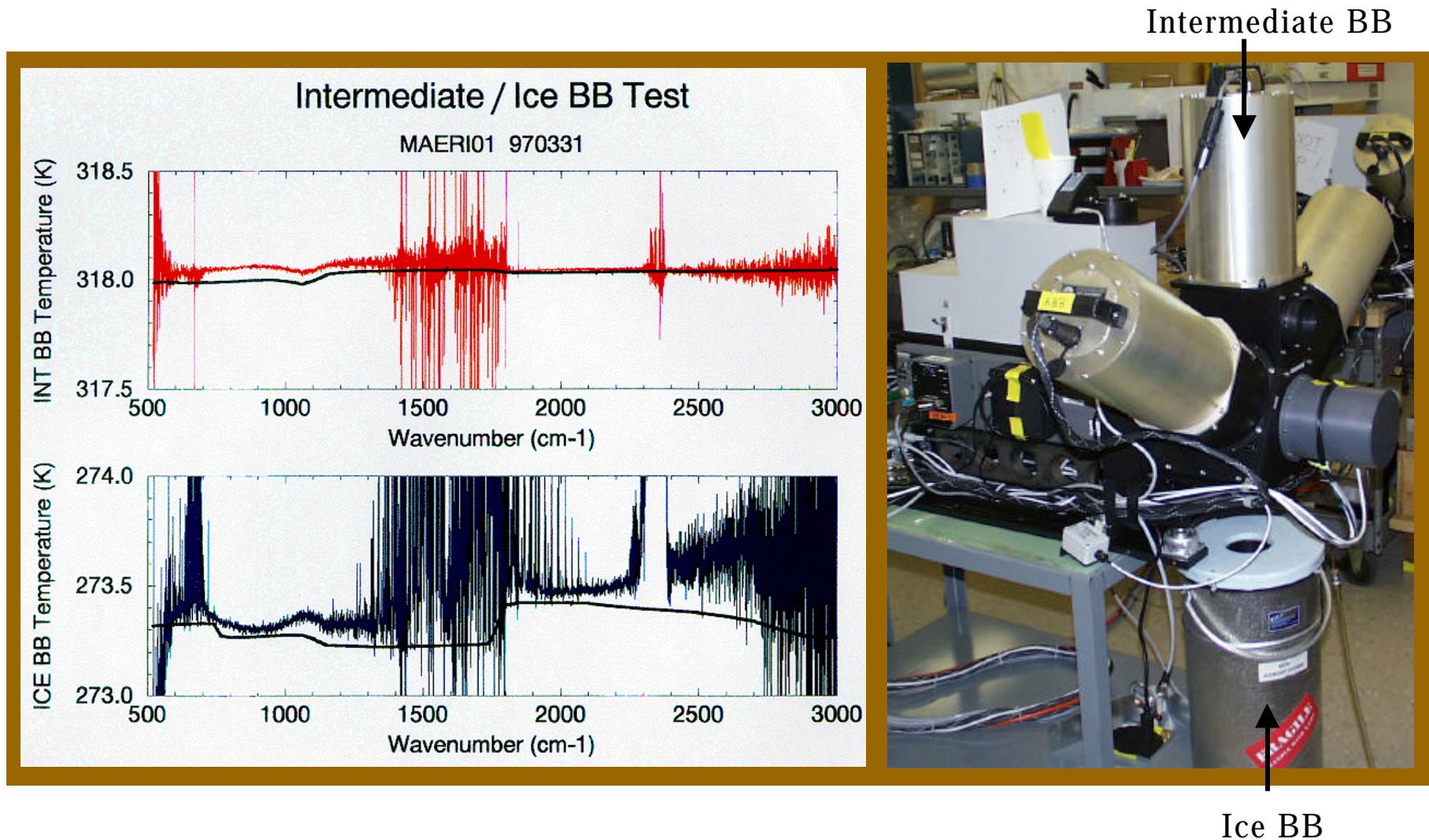
Back-up

Monte Carlo Comparisons



= 0.0005

Typical AERI Instrument End-to-end Radiometric Lab Validation

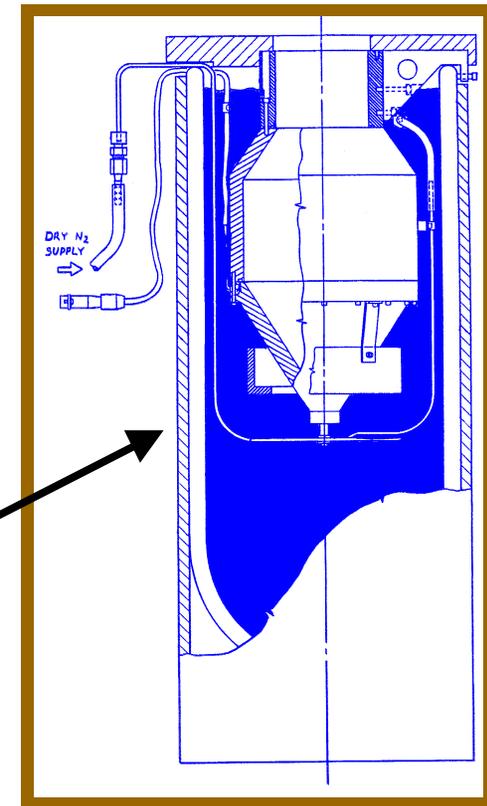


AERI Instrument End-to-end Radiometric Calibration Configuration

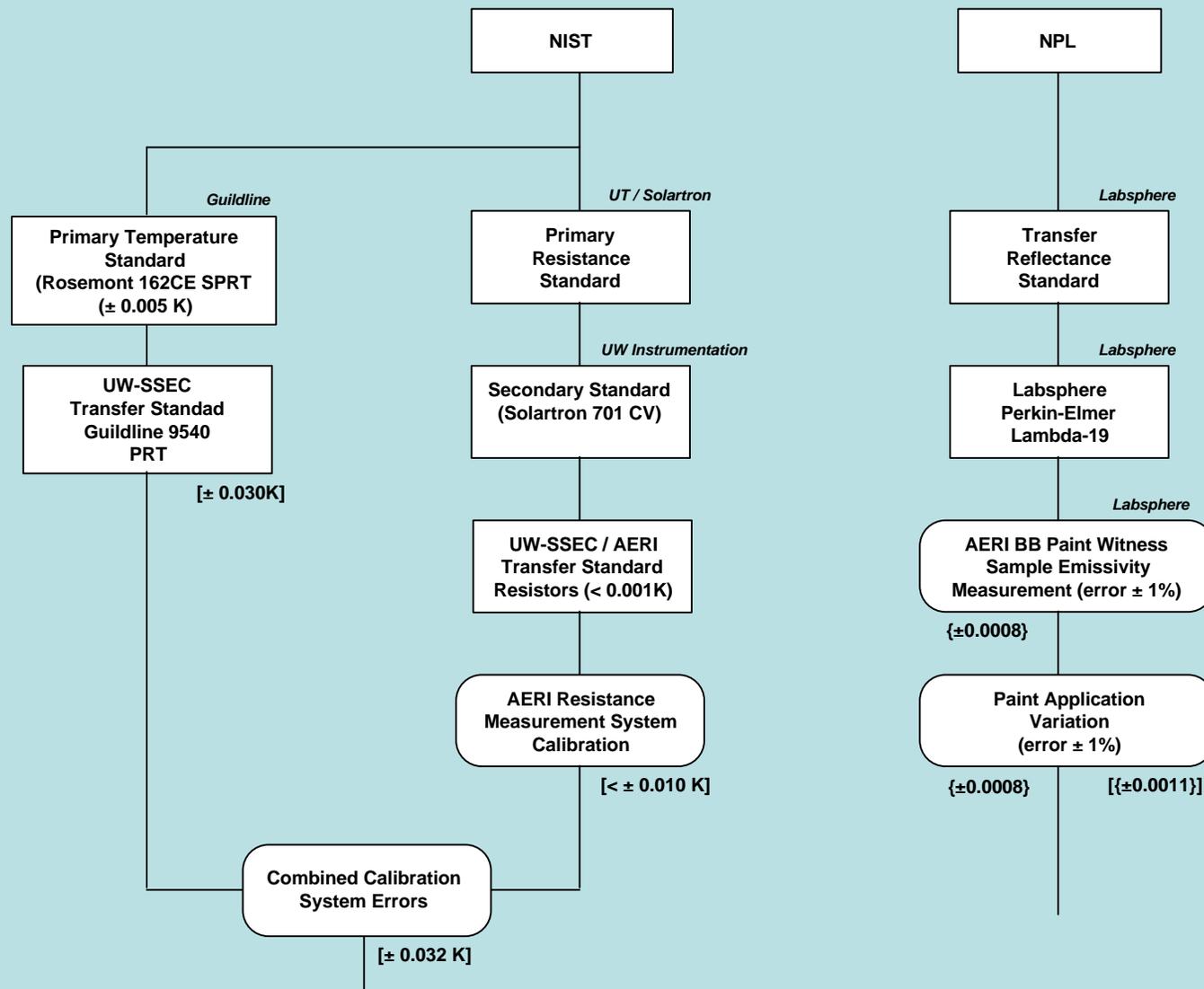


AERI
Intermediate
Temperature
Blackbody in
Sky view

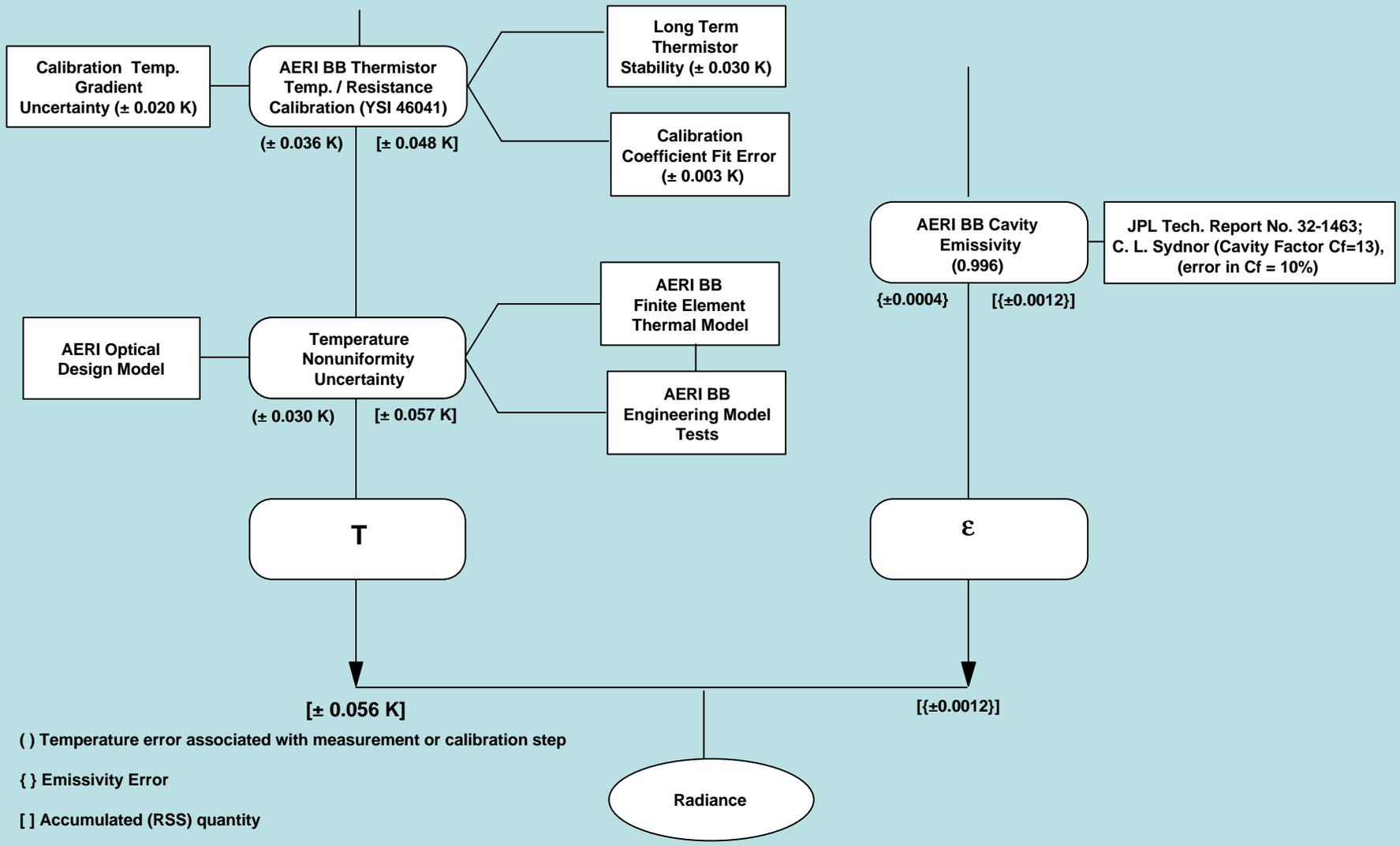
AERI Ice
Blackbody in
Down View



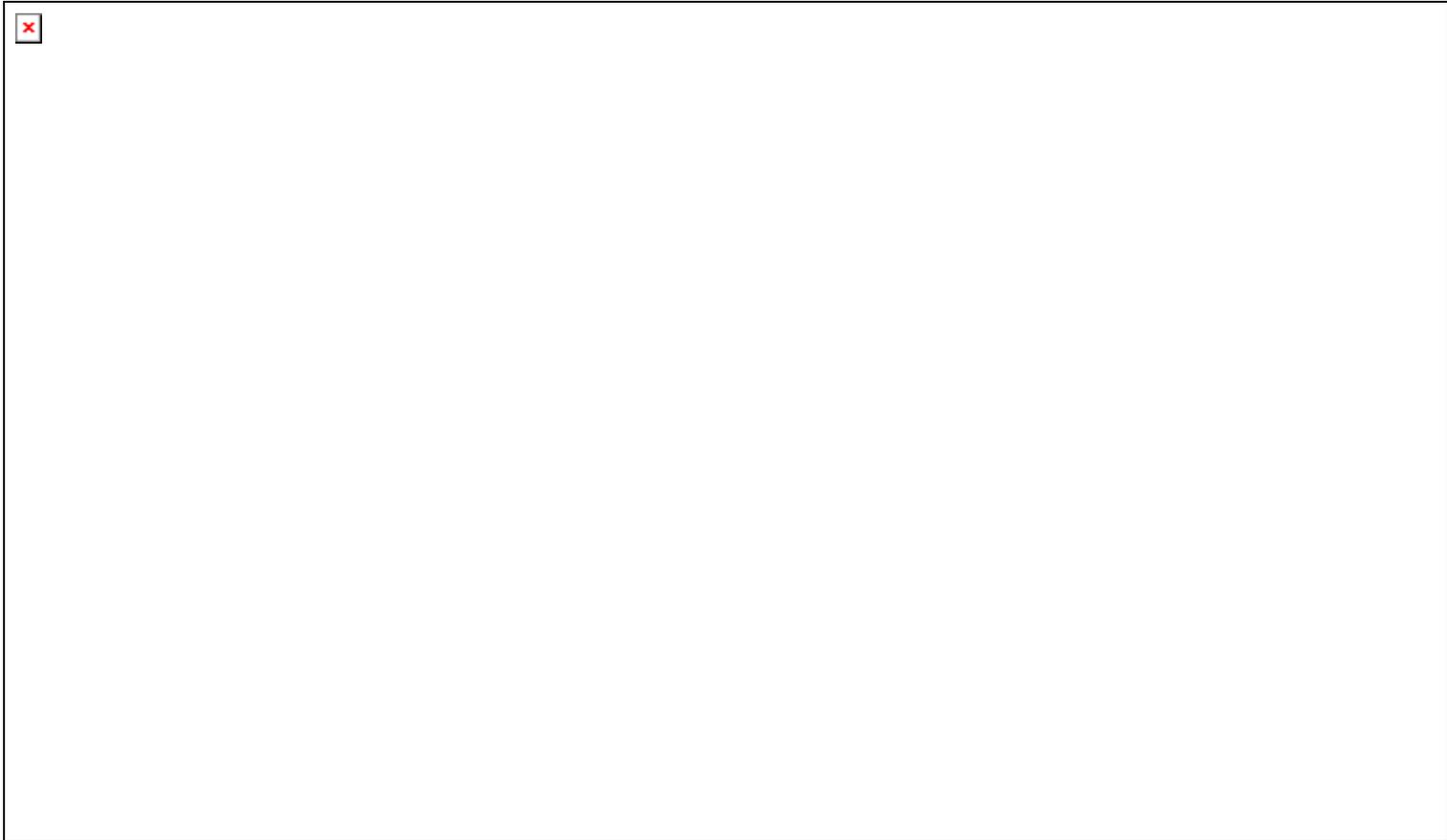
Blackbody Traceability and Error Budget



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Impact of Various ABB Temperatures



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