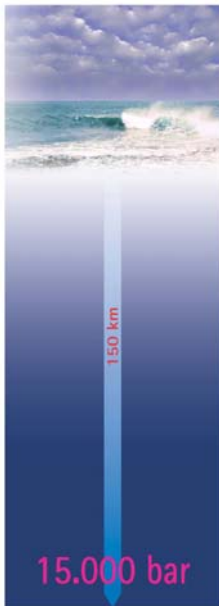


# High pressure transducers as transfer standards

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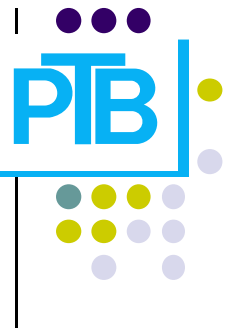
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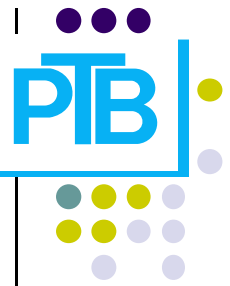
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# Outline

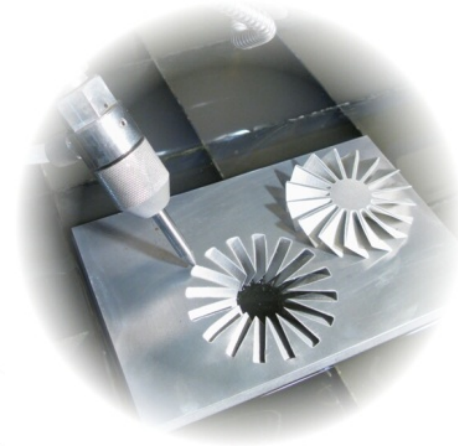


- Motivation
- PTB high-pressure infrastructure
- Calibration of pressure transducers
- Characteristics of pressure transducers
- Pressure transducers as transfer standards up to 1.0 GPa
- Layout of pressure transducers for 1.6 GPa
- Summary

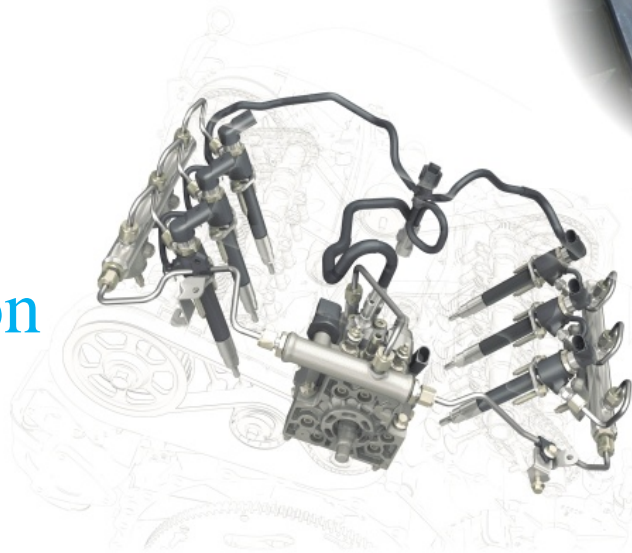
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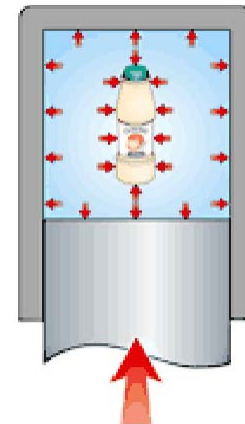
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- Fuel injection



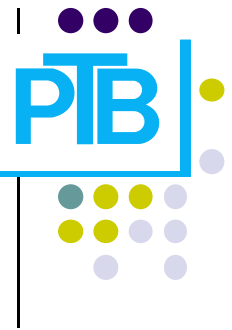
- Food sterilization



# Calibration of modern pressure transducers

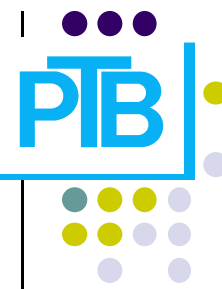
*Practical examples*

# PTB primary standard

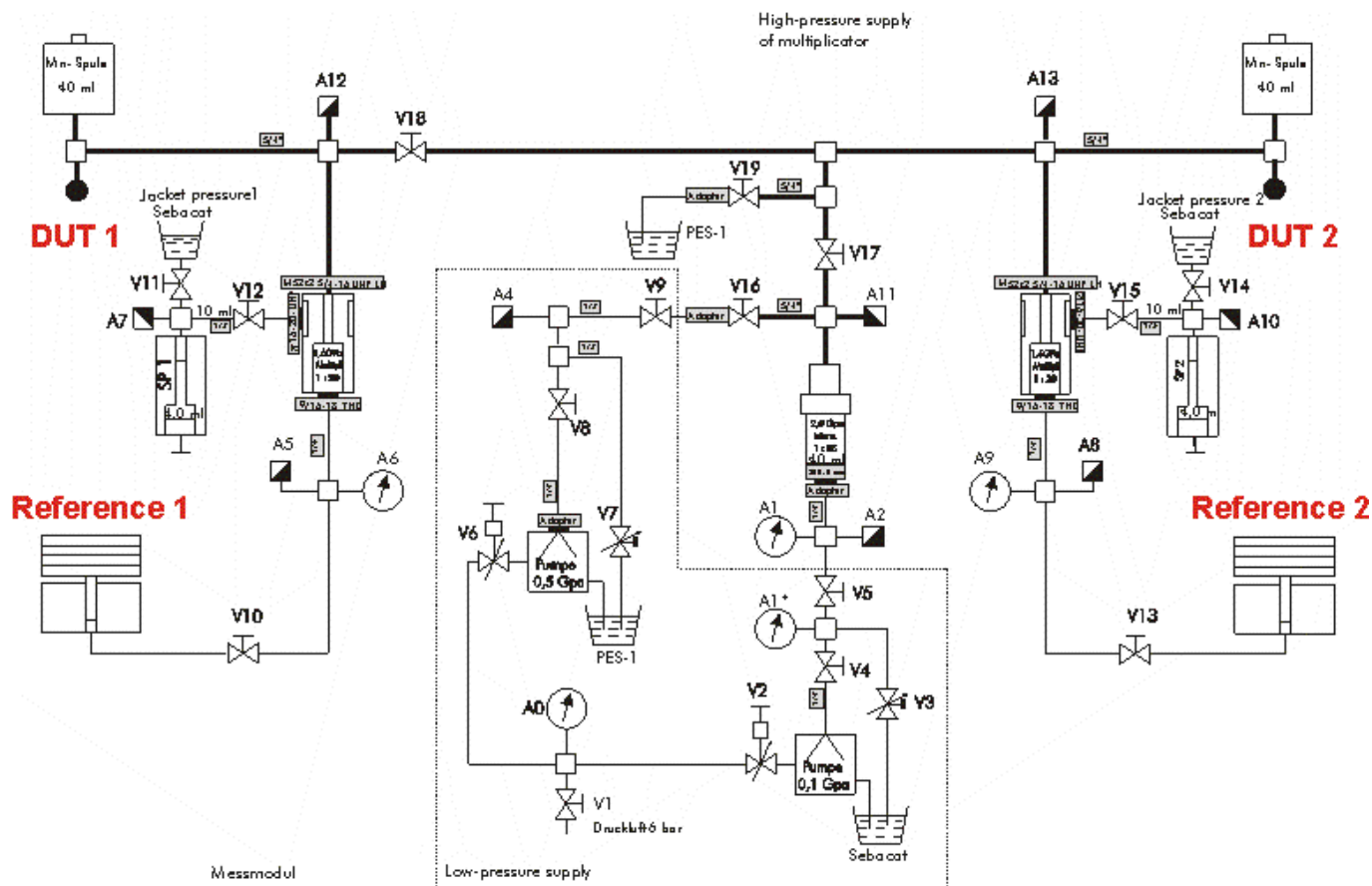


- 1 GPa controlled-clearance type pressure balance equipped with 1 GPa piston –cylinder system: its  $A_0$  traceable via calibration chain to three 5 cm<sup>2</sup> 10 MPa PCAs and its  $\lambda$  determined by FEA and RUS
- prior state of the art: extension to 1.4 GPa with a manganin manometer
- Sebacate and sebacate-petroleum mix as a pressure-transmitting medium
- Development of pressure generation system and new primary standard up to 1.6 GPa in framework of EMRP IND03

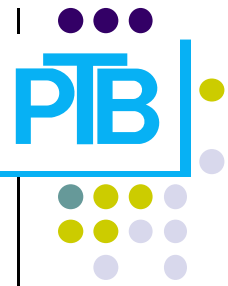
# Calibration of pressure transducers I



*Block diagram of the pressure generation and measurement system:*

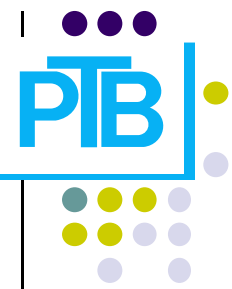


# Impact on Transducers



- **Temperature coefficient/environmental conditions**  
*constant temperature ( $\Delta T < 0.1$  K)/humidity, determination of temperature coefficient  $\beta$*
- **Long-term shifts of span reading of TS**  
*statistical evaluation of corrections*
- **Effect by power source**  
*power source with voltage of 100 VAC and frequency of 50 Hz used with a power supply regulator, hence negligible effect on the reading*
- **Effect by altitude and position**  
*Transducers required to set up in position -> no effect*
- **Effect by transient response**  
*relative change in the reading after fifteen min. and after applying pressure change at 1 GPa typically less than  $10 \times 10^{-6}$*

# Calibration of pressure transducers II



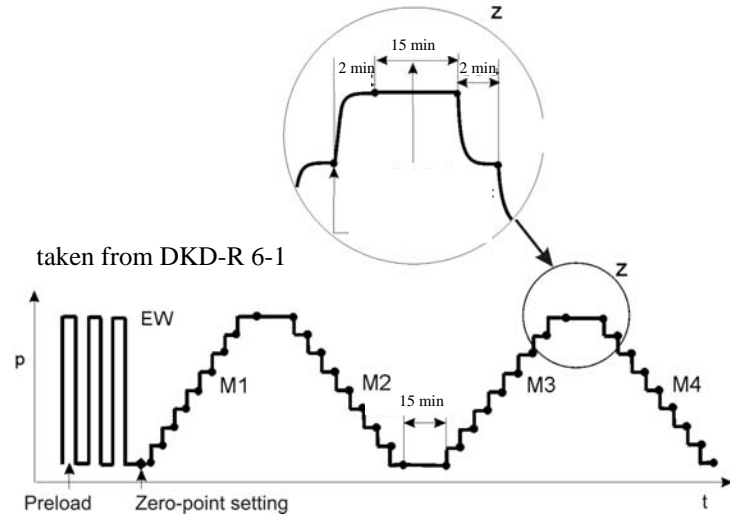
## Guidelines according to DKD-R 6-1

Model equation:

$$\langle S \rangle = \frac{\langle V_{read} \rangle}{P_n} (GV_{fv}) K_{zero} K_{repeat} K_{reprod} K_{hyst}$$

(1)
(2)
(3)
(4)

Transfer factor
Correction factors



### (1) Zero point deviation

$$\propto \max \{ |x_{2,0} - x_{1,0}|, |x_{4,0} - x_{3,0}|, |x_{6,0} - x_{5,0}| \}$$

### (2) Repeatability

$$\propto \max \{ |(x_{3,j} - x_{3,0}) - (x_{1,j} - x_{1,0})|, |(x_{4,j} - x_{4,0}) - (x_{2,j} - x_{2,0})| \}$$

### (3) Reproducibility

$$\propto \max \{ |(x_{5,j} - x_{5,0}) - (x_{1,j} - x_{1,0})|, |(x_{6,j} - x_{6,0}) - (x_{2,j} - x_{2,0})| \}$$

### (4) Hysteresis

$$\propto \frac{1}{n} \cdot \{ |(x_{2,j} - x_{1,0}) - (x_{1,j} - x_{1,0})| + |(x_{4,j} - x_{3,0}) - (x_{3,j} - x_{1,0})| + |(x_{6,j} - x_{5,0}) - (x_{5,j} - x_{5,0})| \}$$



# Calibration of pressure transducers II

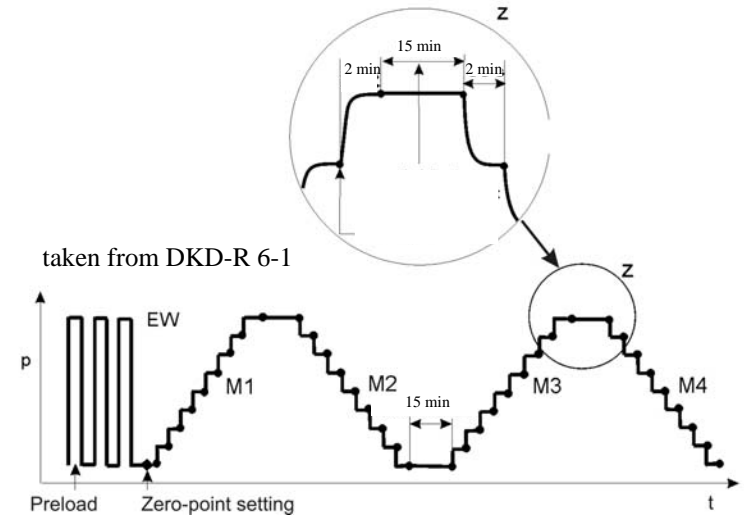
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$\langle S \rangle$  ← Transfer factor  
 $P_n$   
 $(GV_{fv})$   
 $K_{zero}$  ← Correction factors  
 $K_{repeat}$   
 $K_{reprod}$   
 $K_{hyst}$

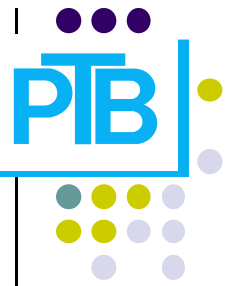


Measurement uncertainty:

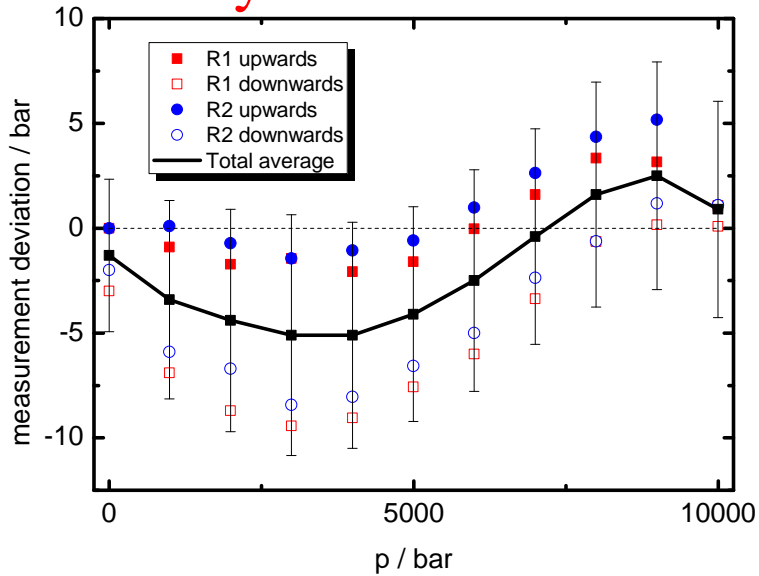
$$U = k \cdot \left( \sqrt{u_{LS}^2 + u_{amp}^2 + u_{zero}^2 + u_{repeat}^2 + u_{reprod}^2 + \left| \frac{S_{up/down} - S'}{S'} \right|^2} \right)$$

relative systematical deviation with  $S'$  being slope of linear regression line of transducer

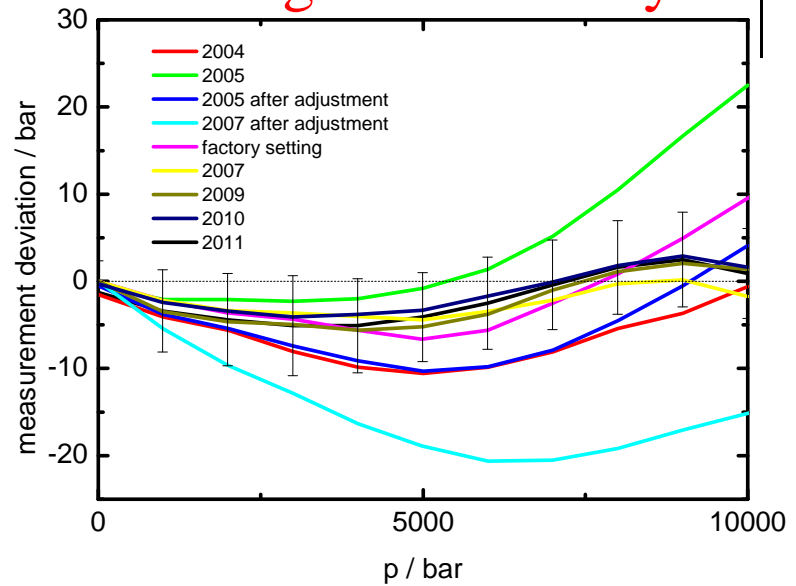
# Transducer characteristics



## Hysteresis behavior



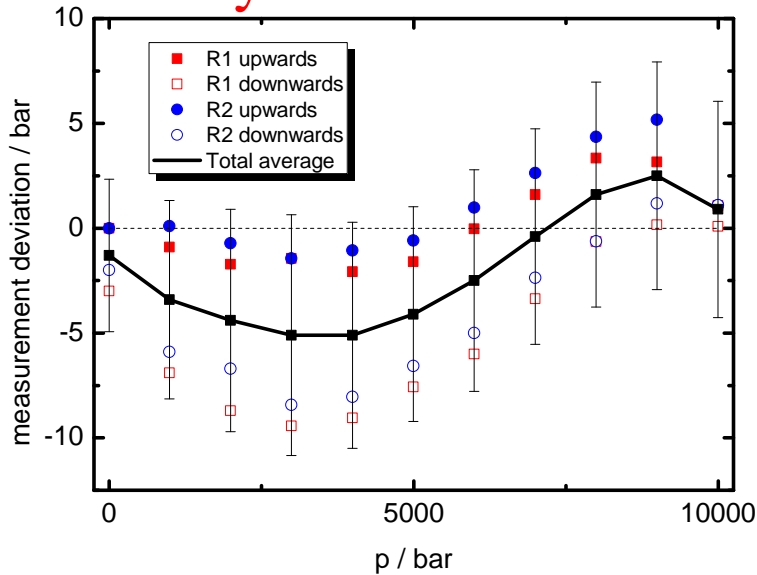
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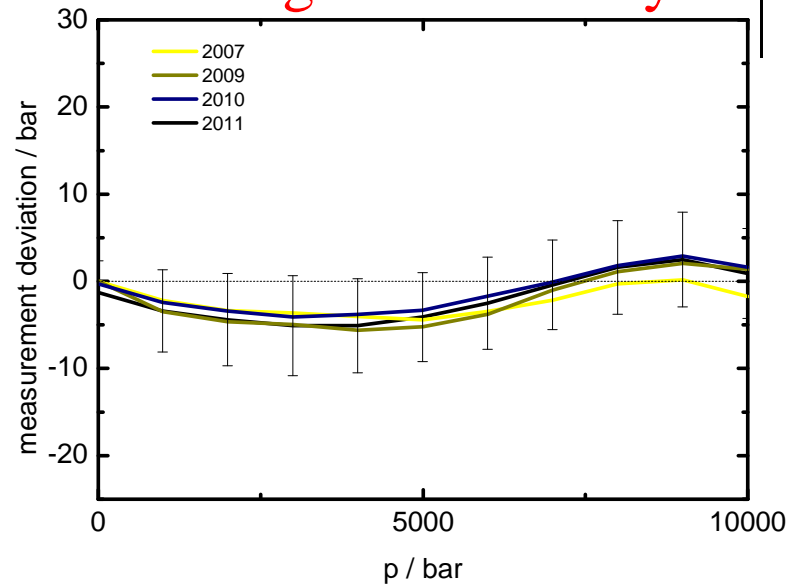
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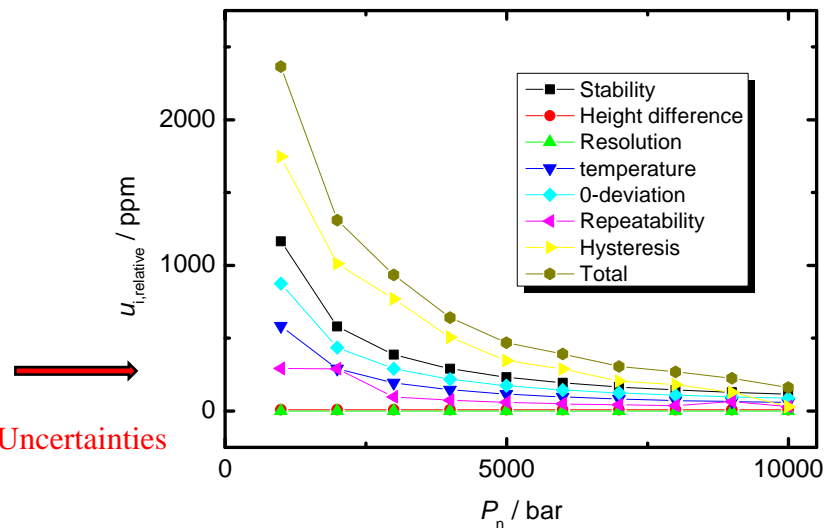
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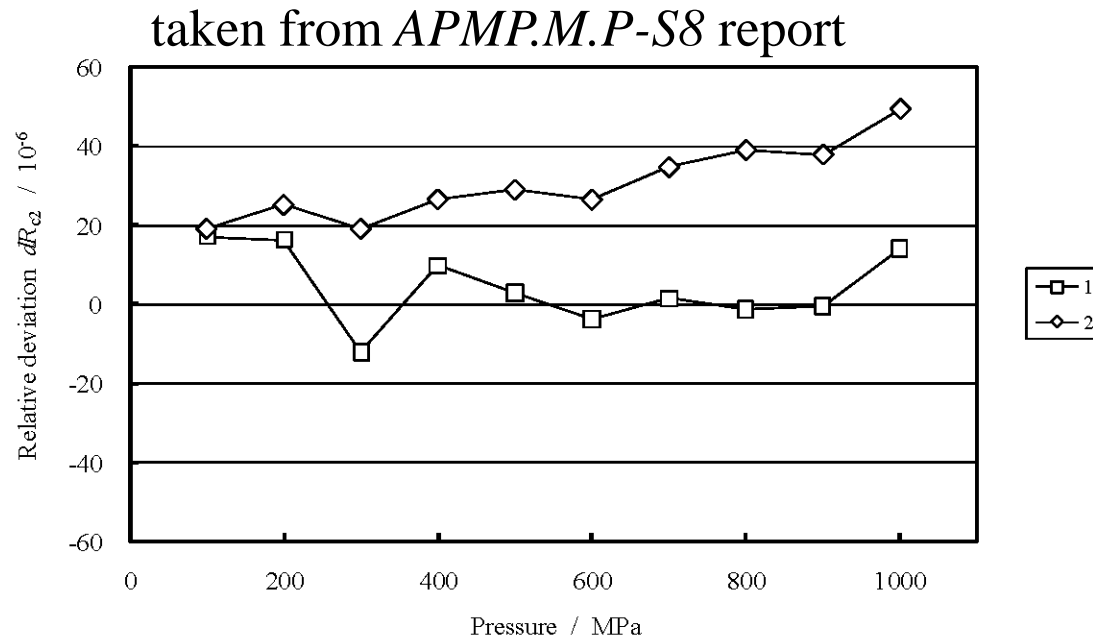
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Resolution	0.57	0.57
Temperature	$8.6e-3$	$8.7e-2$
Zero-point deviation	0.87	0.87
Repeatability	0.29	0.29
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	2.3	1.6



# Metrological Investigations of Pressure transducers

*Example: APMP.M.P-S8*

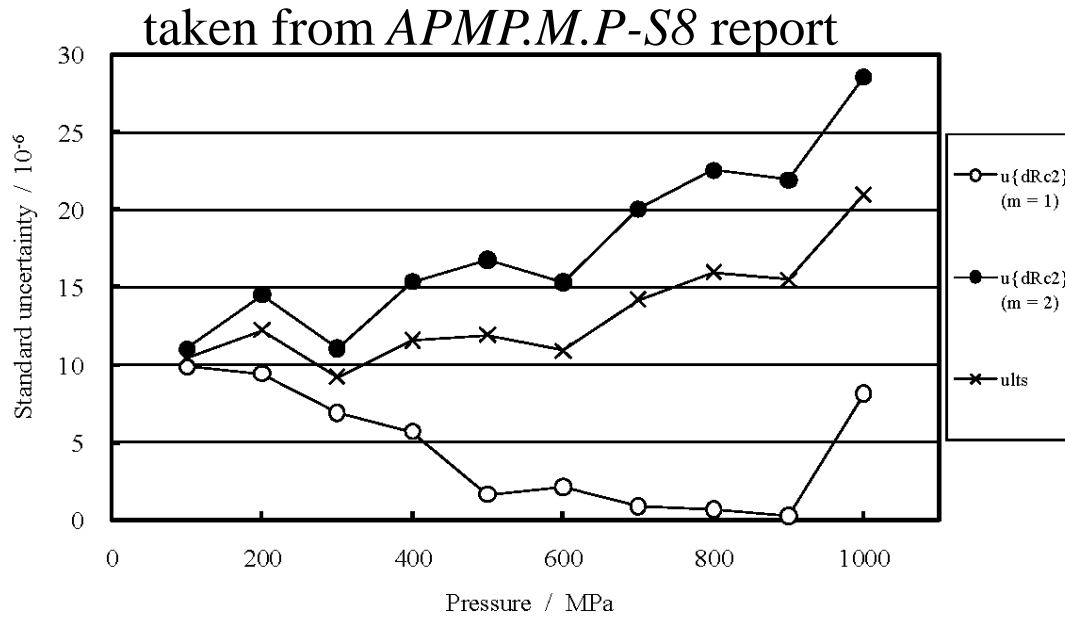
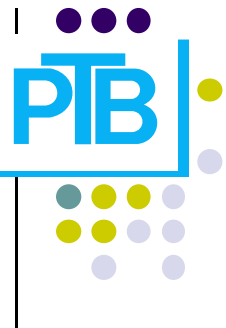
# Long-term shift



Relative difference of  $dR_{c_2}$  of the reading of two typical transducers in two consecutive series at the supplementary comparison *APMP.M.P-S8* measured at the pilot institute

Relative difference less than 50 ppm in the whole range

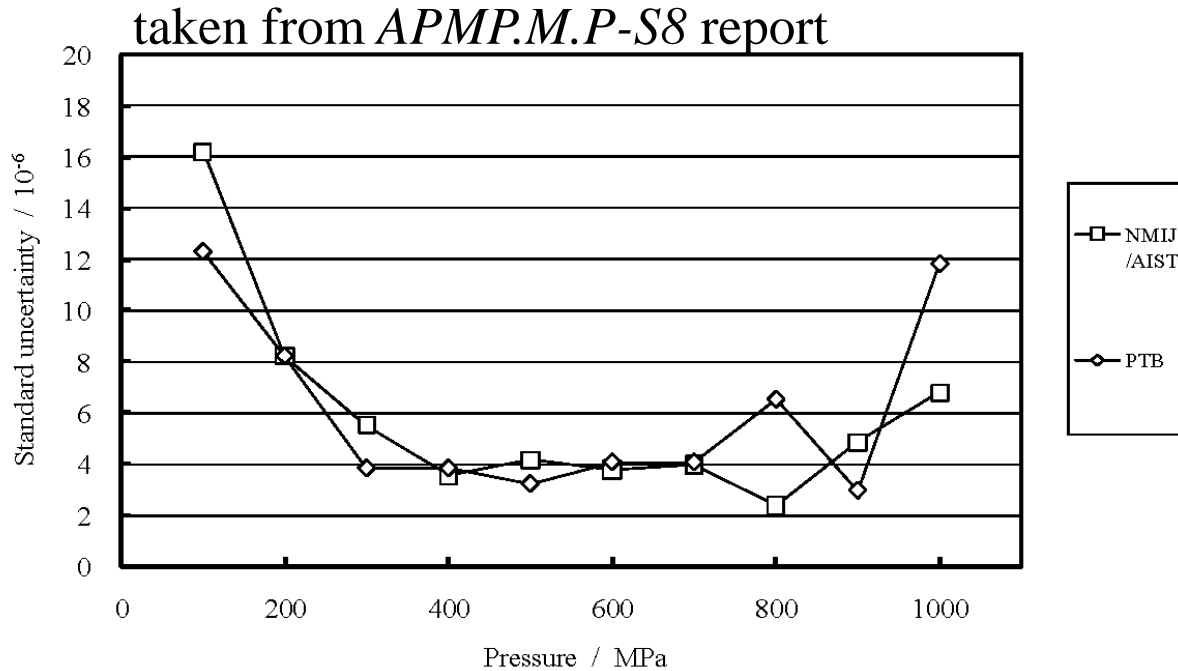
# Long-term shift



Uncertainty contribution: 
$$u_{LTS}^2(i) = 1/2 \sum_{m/transducer} \frac{dR_{c2}^2(m,i)}{3}$$

Uncertainty contribution less than 20 ppm

# Short-term random errors



Uncertainty contribution:  $u_{rdm}^2(i) = \langle \sigma_i^2 \rangle$

$\sigma_i$  standard deviation of measurement for each  $P_n(i)$   
related to short-term statistical errors

Uncertainty contribution less than 16 ppm

# Temperature coefficient $\beta$

Correction for difference between nominal pressure and actual pressure

Zero-pressure offset correction

$$\beta(m, i) = \frac{1}{18} \cdot \sum_{q=1}^3 \sum_{w=1}^2 \sum_{y=1}^3 \frac{R_{c1}^q(l, m, y, w, i) - R_{c1}^0(l, m, y, w, i)}{P_n(i) \cdot [t_b^q(l, y, w, i) - t_b^0(l, y, w, i)]}$$

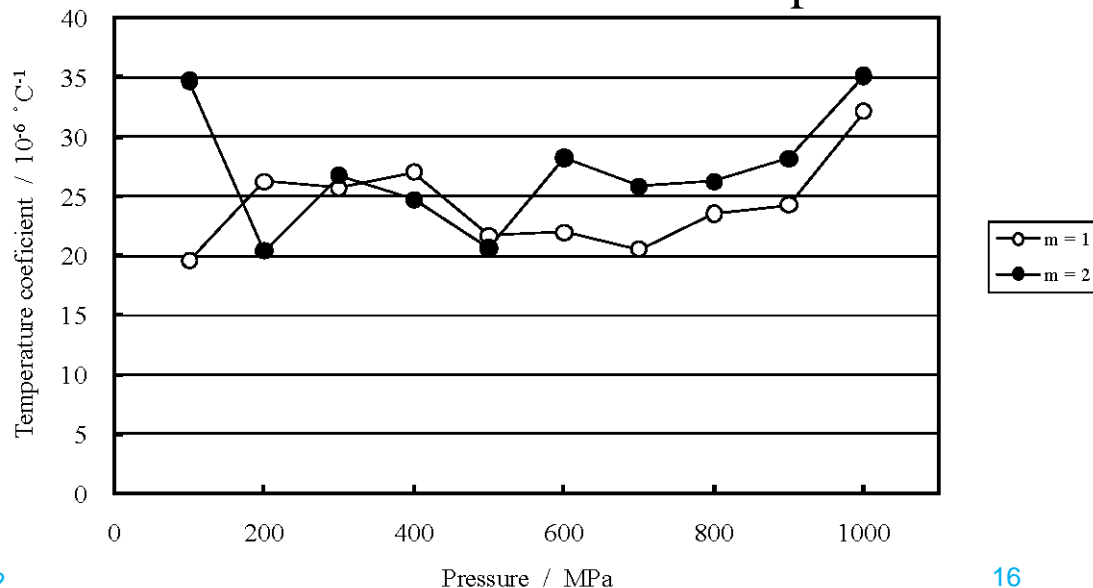
Nominal pressure

$t_b^q$  measured temperature around TS for q corresponding to 20,21,22,23 °C

associated standard uncertainty

$$u\{\beta(m)\} = 10/\sqrt{3} \times 10^{-6} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$$

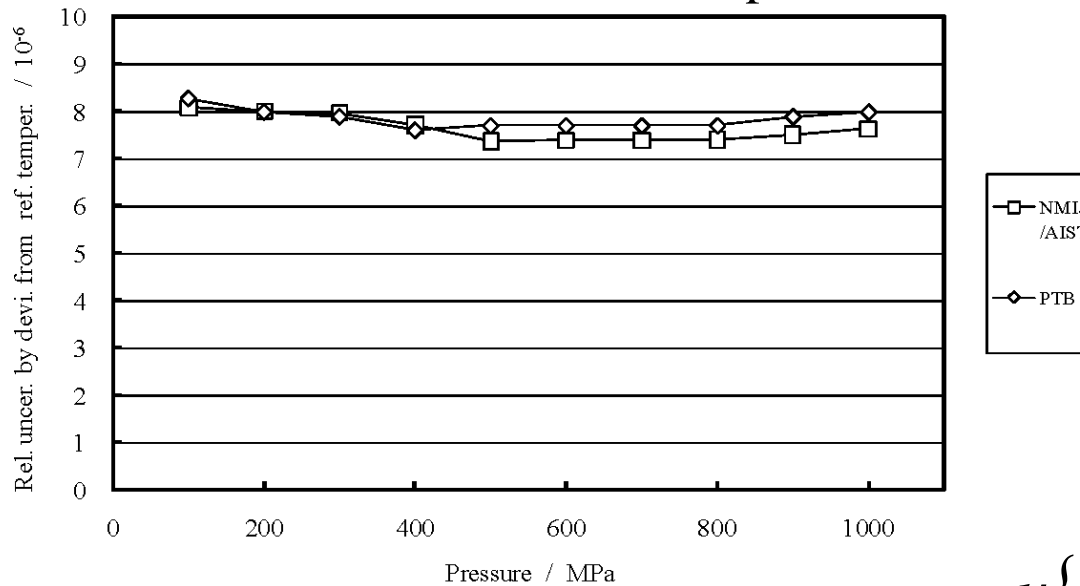
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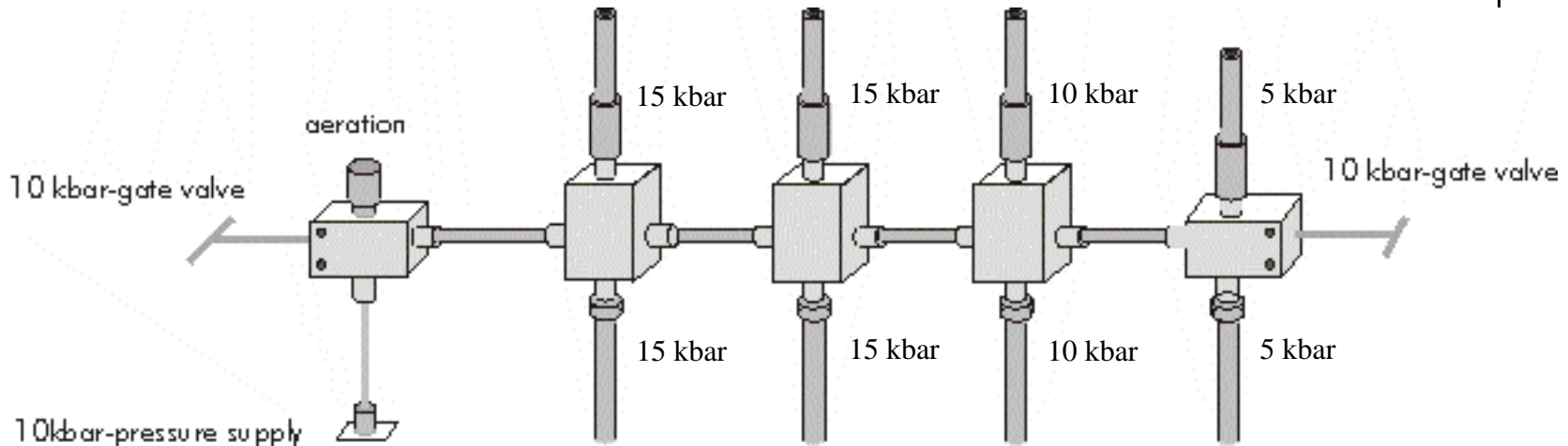
Uncertainty contribution:

$$u_{tem} = \frac{u\{\beta(i)\}}{P_n(i)} \left| \bar{t}(j,i) - t_{ref} \right|$$

Uncertainty contribution less than 8 ppm

# Layout of TS

## Pressure transducers type A

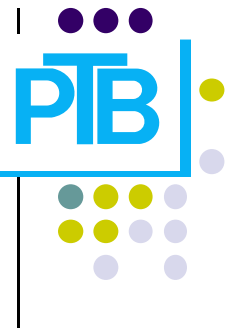


## Pressure transducers type B

- TS consists of two types of electronic high precision pressure transducers (PTs) to ensure reliability
- Sensing element of PTs based on foil and thin-layer strain gauges
- Three PT pressure ranges (5,10,15) kbar to cover the technical capacities of other NMIs for comparisons
- TS involves measuring amplifier

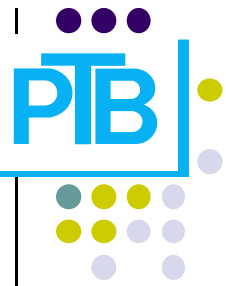
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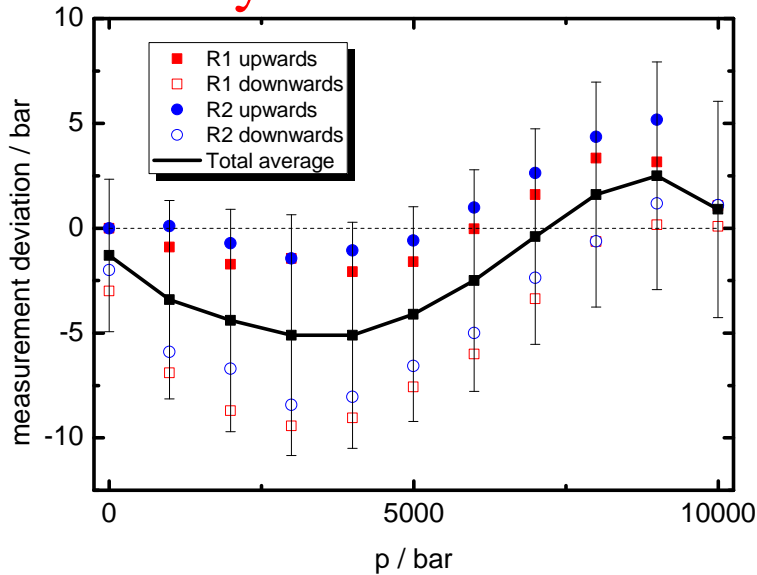


- Investigation of the usability of modern pressure transducers for metrological purposes
- Demonstration of calibration of pressure transducers according to DKD-R 6-1 / practical examples
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- Outlook: development of a transfer standard up to 1.5 GPa based on modern pressure transducers

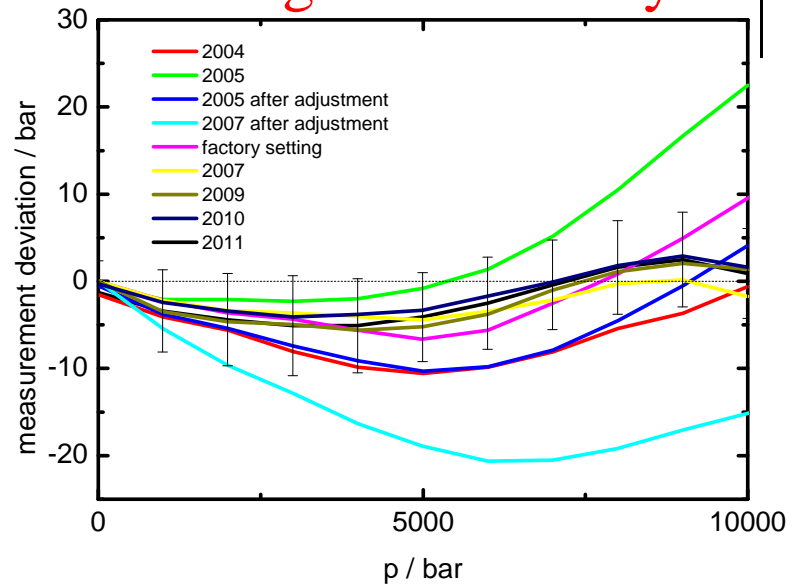
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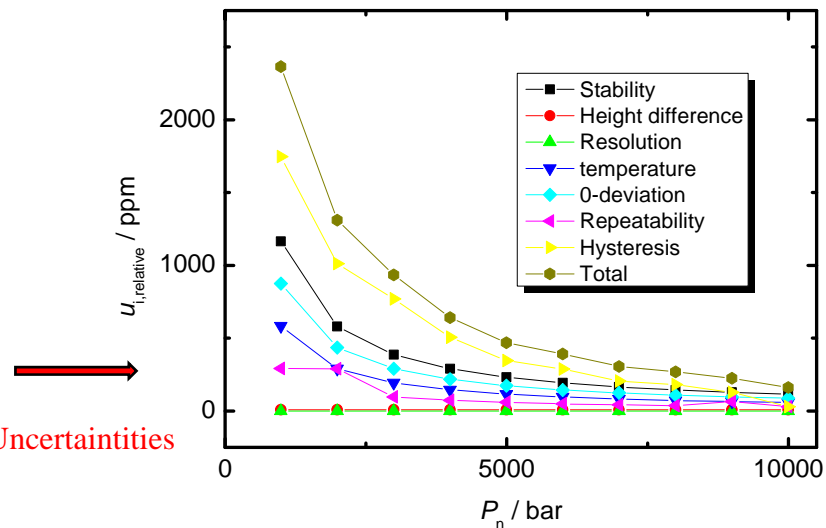
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