



NIRS – Getting started

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Terminology

NIR = Near Infrared

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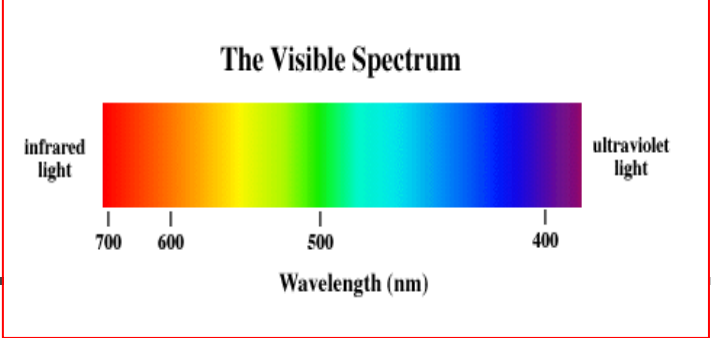
NIR = Near Infrared Reflectance

NIT = Near Infrared Transmittance



History

1800	The First NIR Spectrum recorded (Herschel)
1950-1960	Potential of NIR quantitative analysis was recognized (Kaye)
1960s	Research program at USDA (Norris) for NIR analysis of agricultural commodities
1971	First Generation of NIR Instruments - Reflectance
1975	Second Generation of NIR Instruments - More Stable Electronics and improved Optics
1977-1978	Third Generation of NIR Instruments - Microprocessors, Small Computers
1982-1983	Fourth Generation of NIR Instruments – Scanning Monochromators
1980s	Principal components calibration techniques introduced
1987	Fifth Generation of NIR Instruments - Transmittance
1990s	Nonlinear calibration methods (Local, ANN)



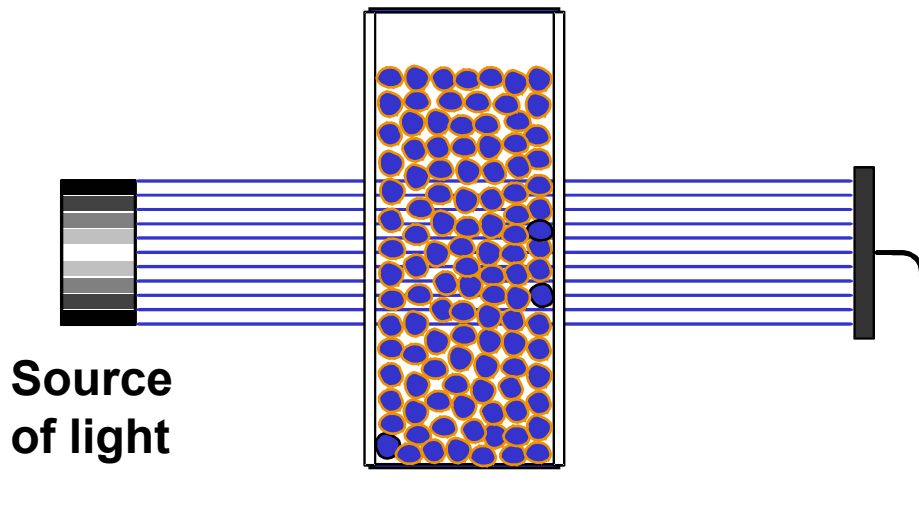
Gamma X-rays UV Visible Infrared Microwave Radio

Region	Characteristic	wavelength Range (nm)
Near Infrared (NIR)	Overtones, Combination	700-2500
Middle Infrared (MIR)	Fundamental vibration	2500-5x10 ⁴
Far Infrared (FIR)	Rotation	5x10 ⁴ -10 ⁶



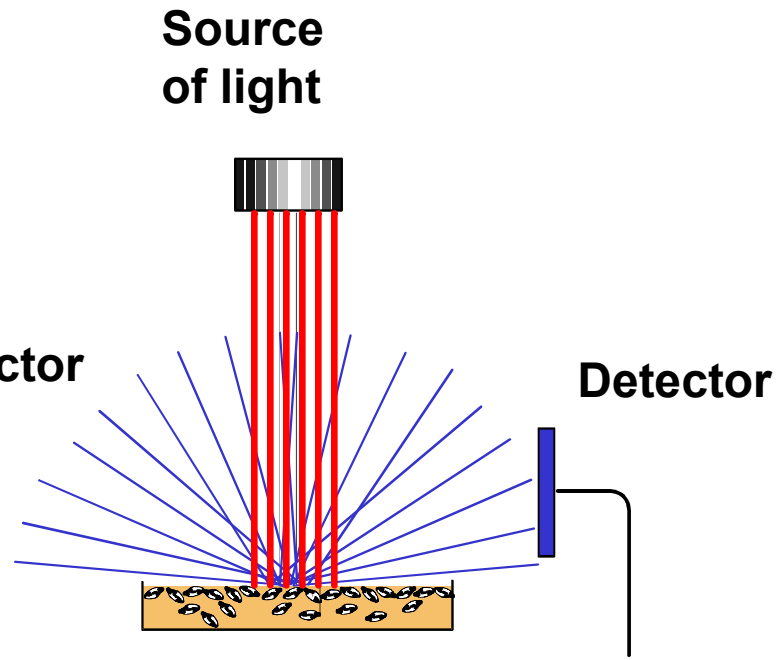
700 1100 2500

Transmission/Reflectance



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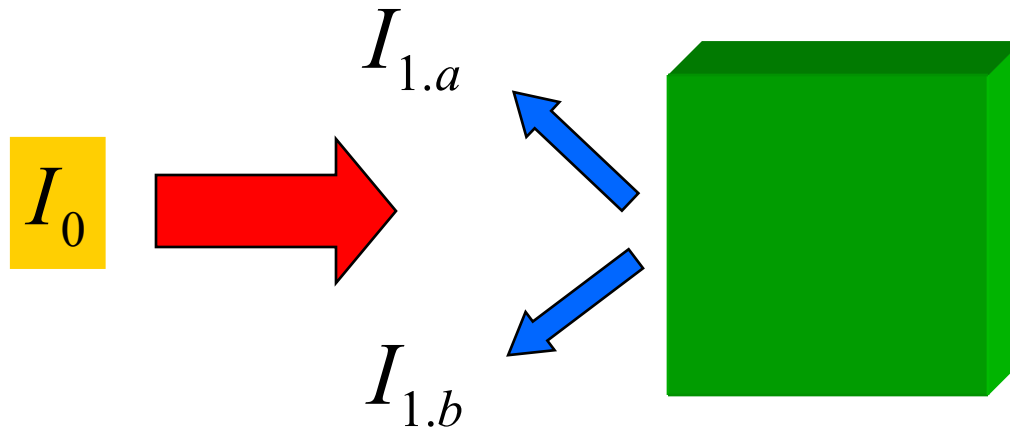
Transmission (NIT)



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Reflectance (NIR)

Absorption units



$$\text{Reflect}_{(R)} = \frac{I_{1a} + I_{1b}}{I_0}$$

$$\text{Absorption} = 1 - R$$

$$\text{Absorbance}_{\text{Units}}(AU) = \log \frac{1}{R}$$

$$R = 0.01$$

$$AU = 2$$



NIR absorption

Absorbance is mainly due to Hydrogen bonds

- CH

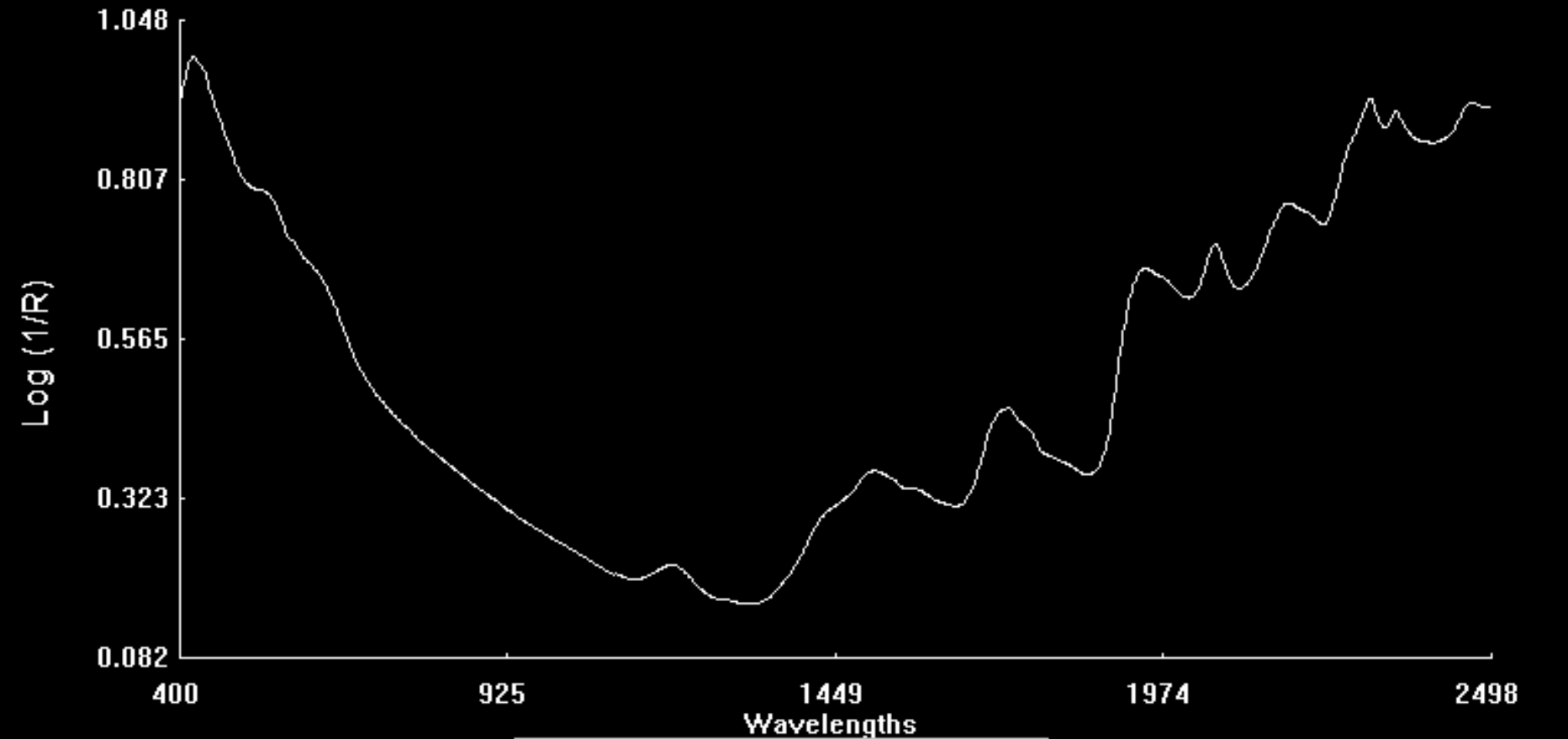
- OH

- NH

Percent Complete:

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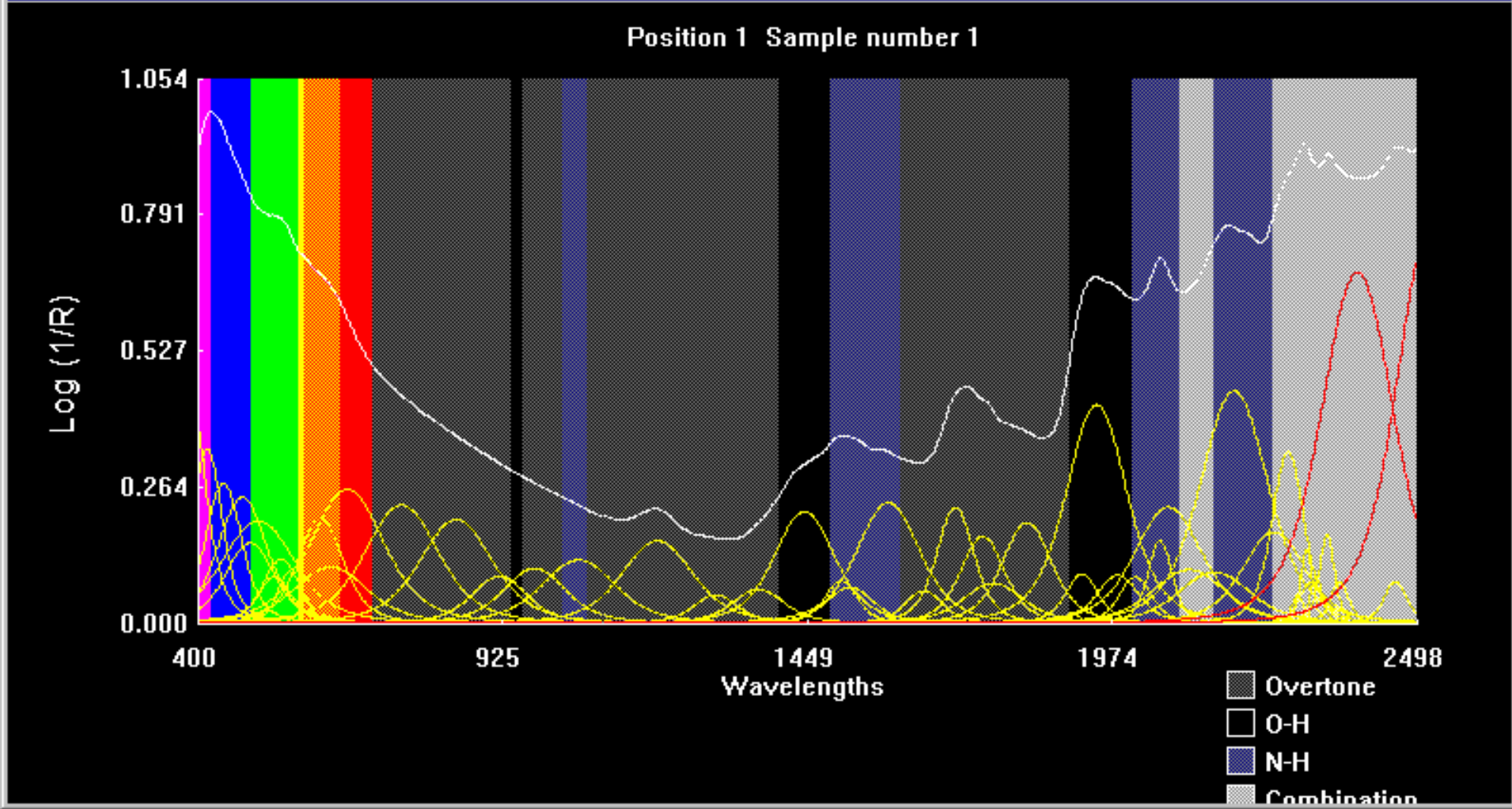


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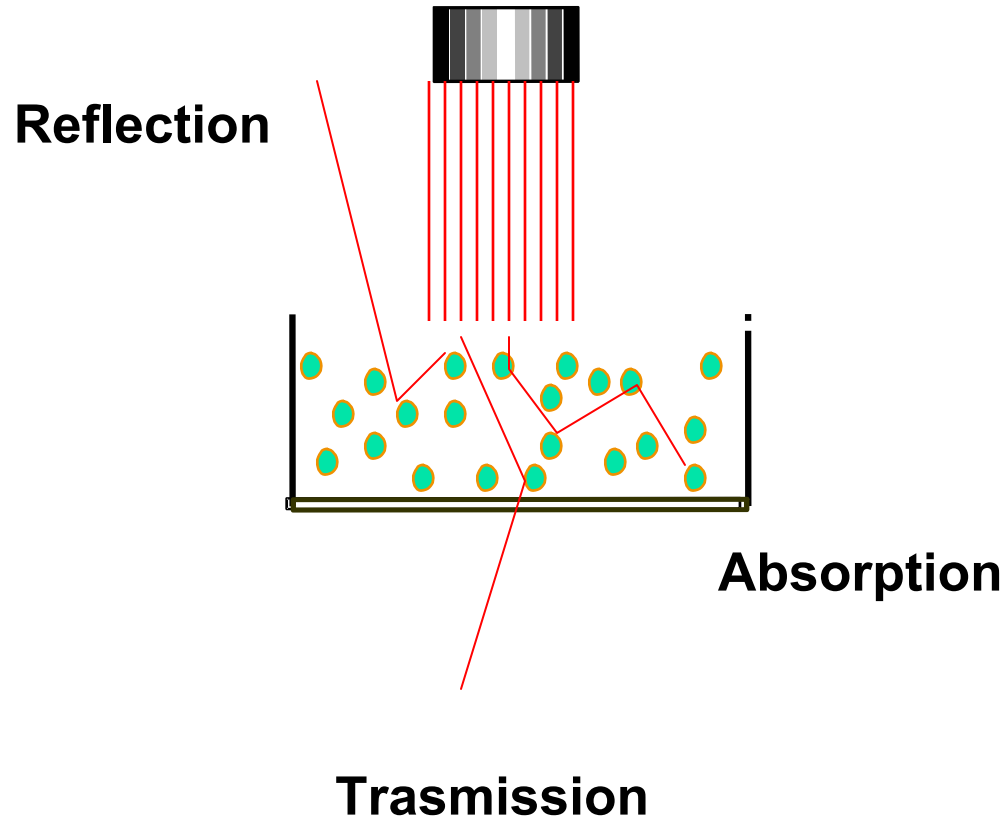
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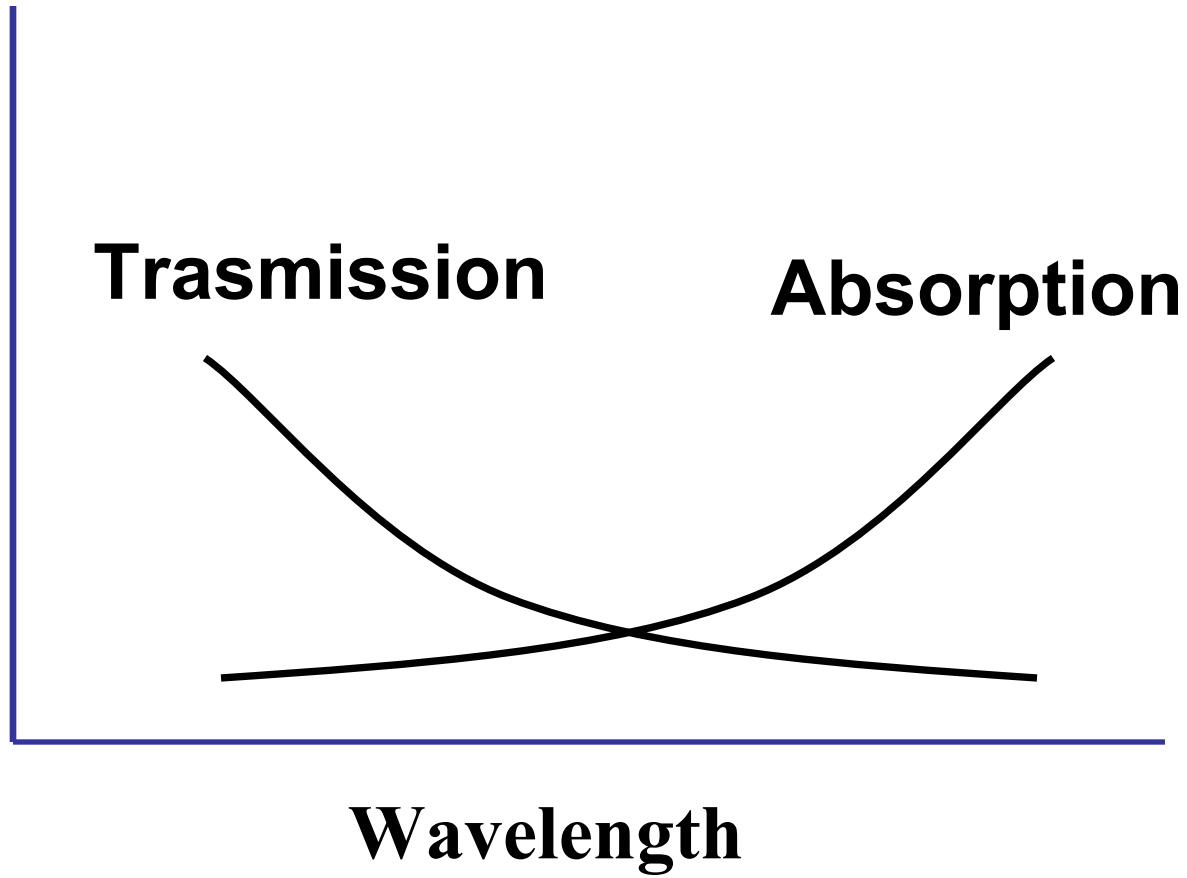


Infrasoft International, LLC

Light - Matter interaction

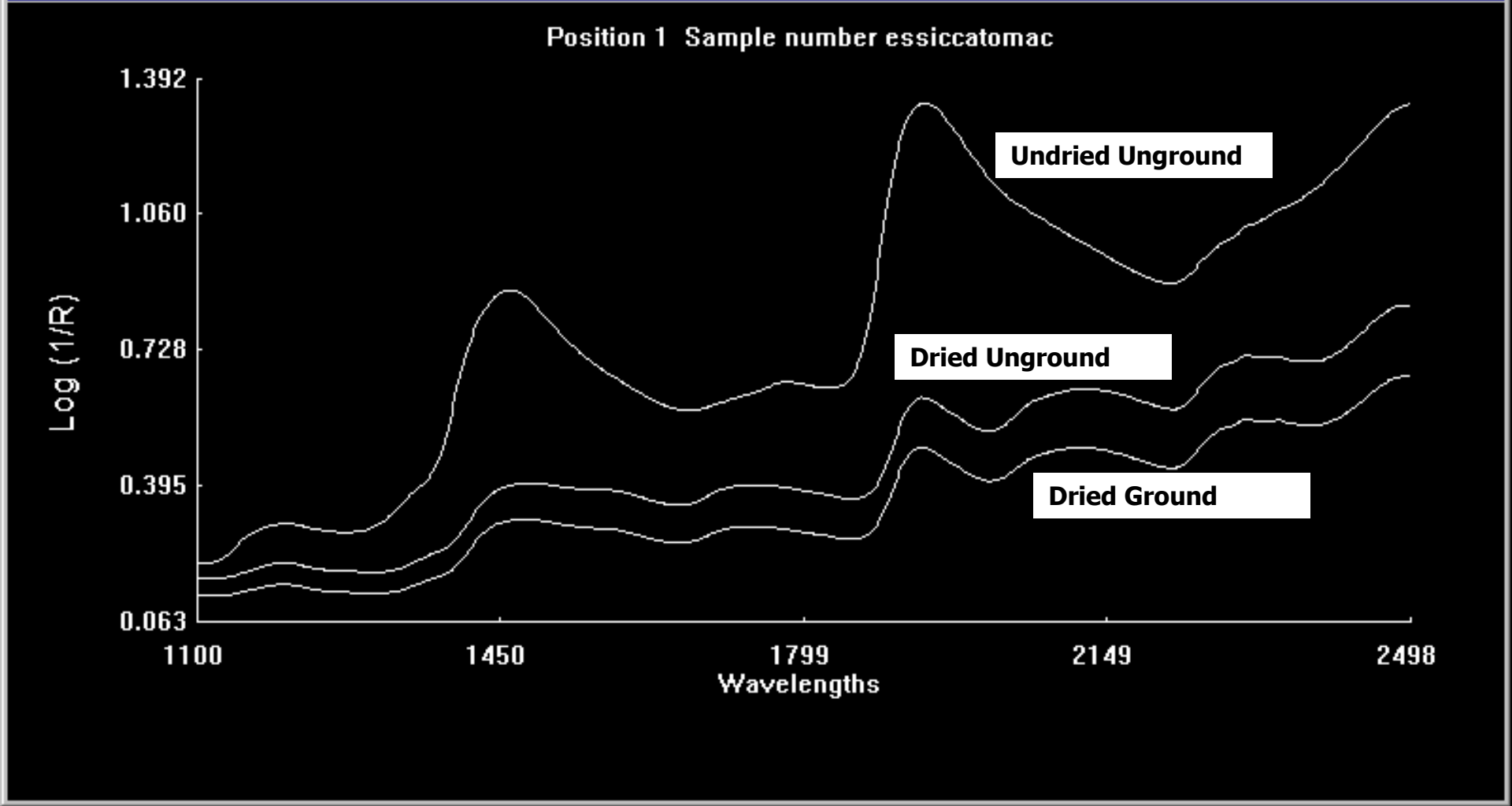


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Foss NIRSystem 5000-6500

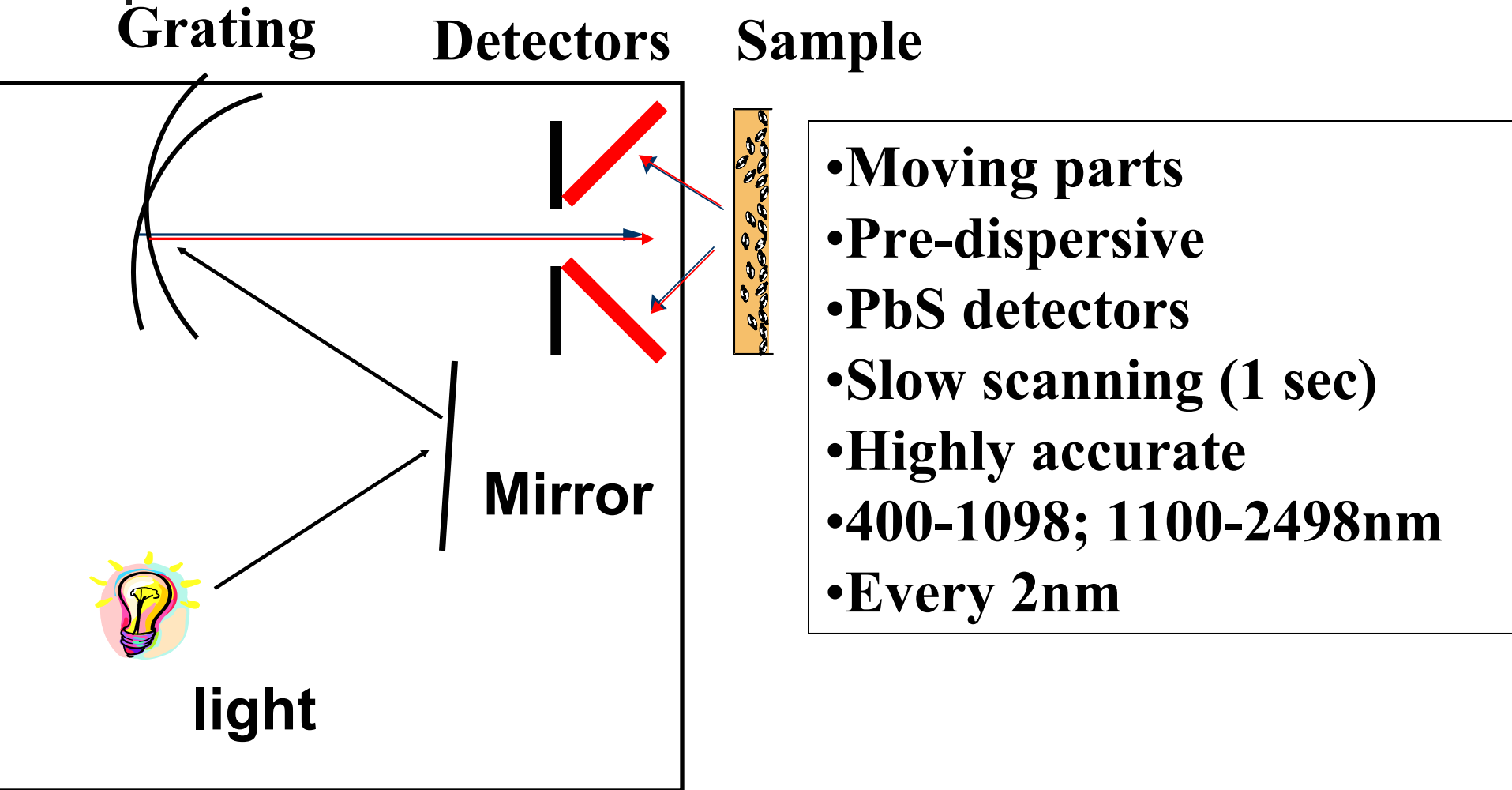


Lab instrument

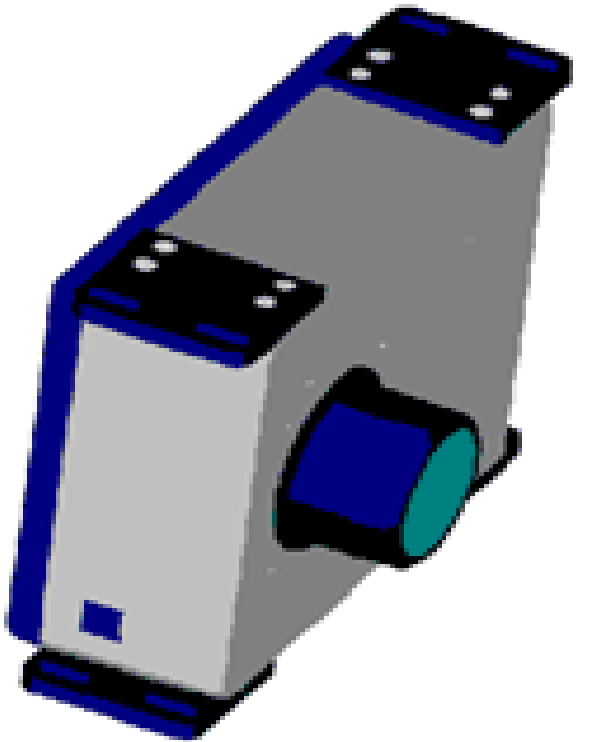
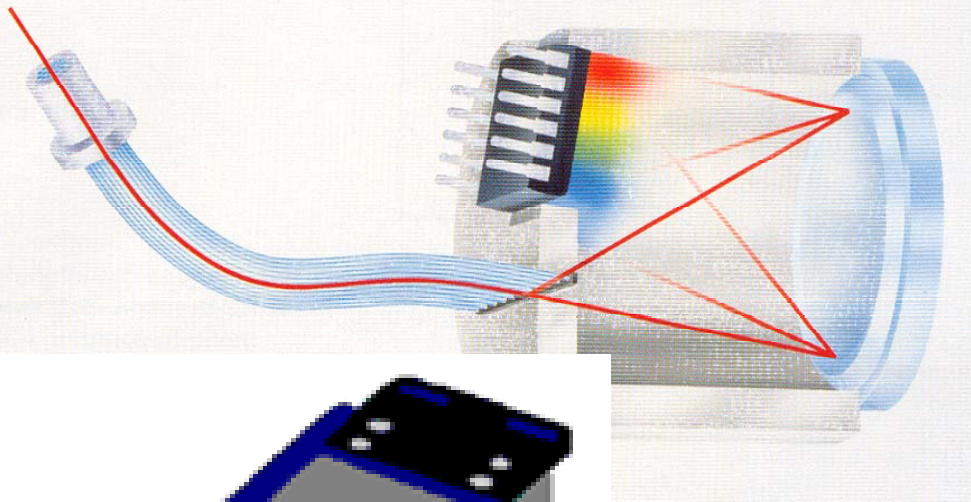
The most used
instrument in
agriculture

There are several
Forage and /or Feed
Network based on this
instrument

Foss NIRSystem 5000-6500



Zeiss - Corona NIR 45



- **NO moving parts**
- **Post-dispersive**
- **InGaAs detector**
- **128 diodes**
- **Fast scanning (10 ms)**
- **Very accurate**
- **900-1700nm**
- **Every 6nm**



Foss NIRSystem 5000-6500

- **Diagnostics procedures:**

- They are required to make sure all of the parts are working properly

- Weekly diagnostics

- Daily check cell

- **Standardization procedures**

- Sealed cups with different products

- Repeated periodically (once a year)



Zeiss - Corona NIR 45

- **Diagnostics procedures:**

- **There are no diagnostics. No moving parts reduce variation in performances**

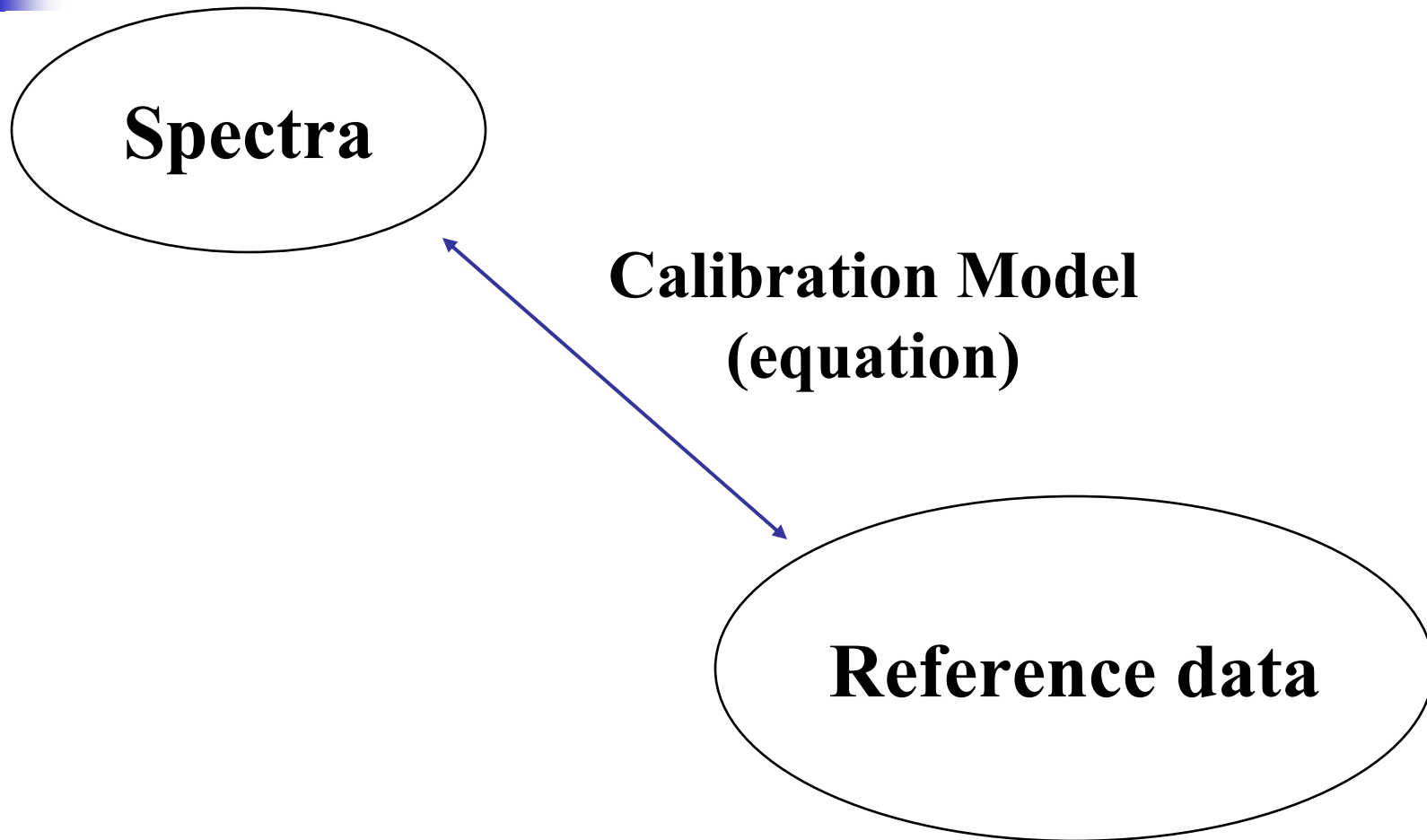
- **Daily check cell? We think it would be necessary to ensure the instrument is working properly**

- **Standardization procedures**

- **There are no procedures**

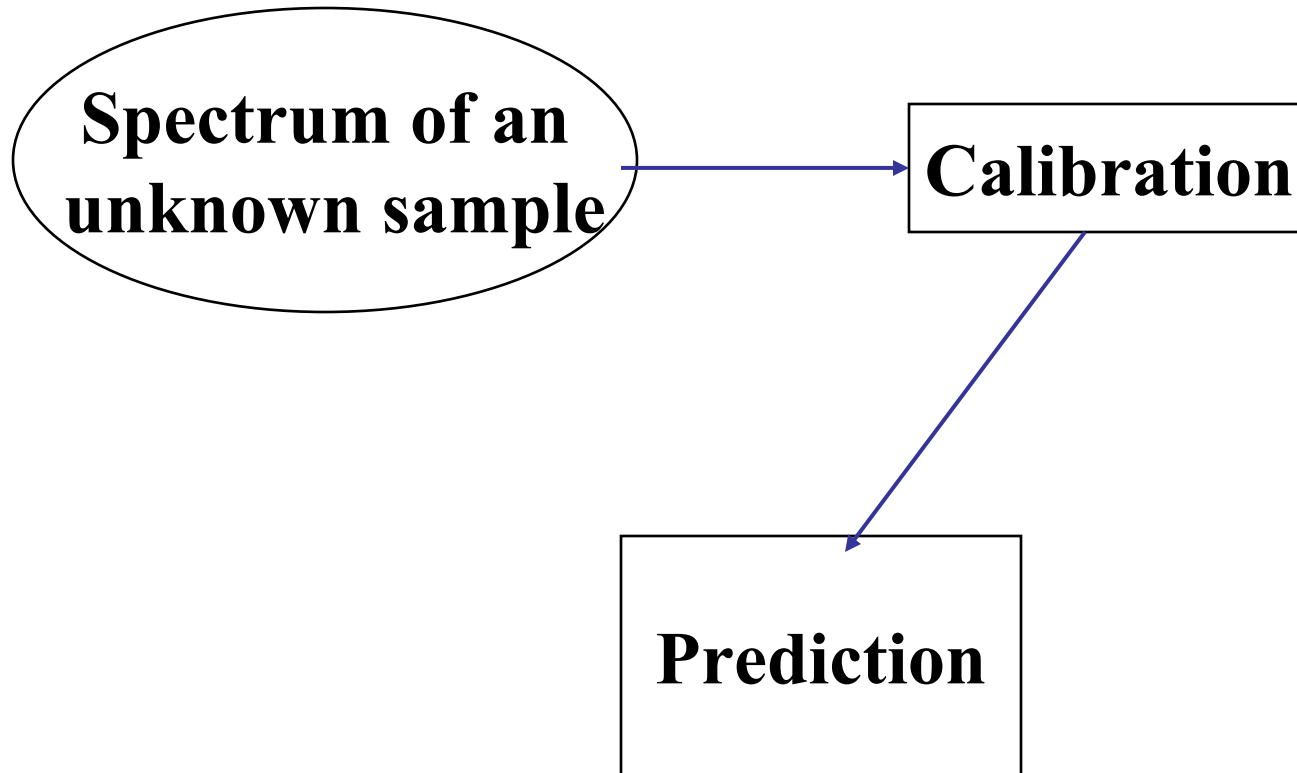
- **Solved by calibration**

What is a Calibration?



Use of a Calibration





Routine Analysis

Sample



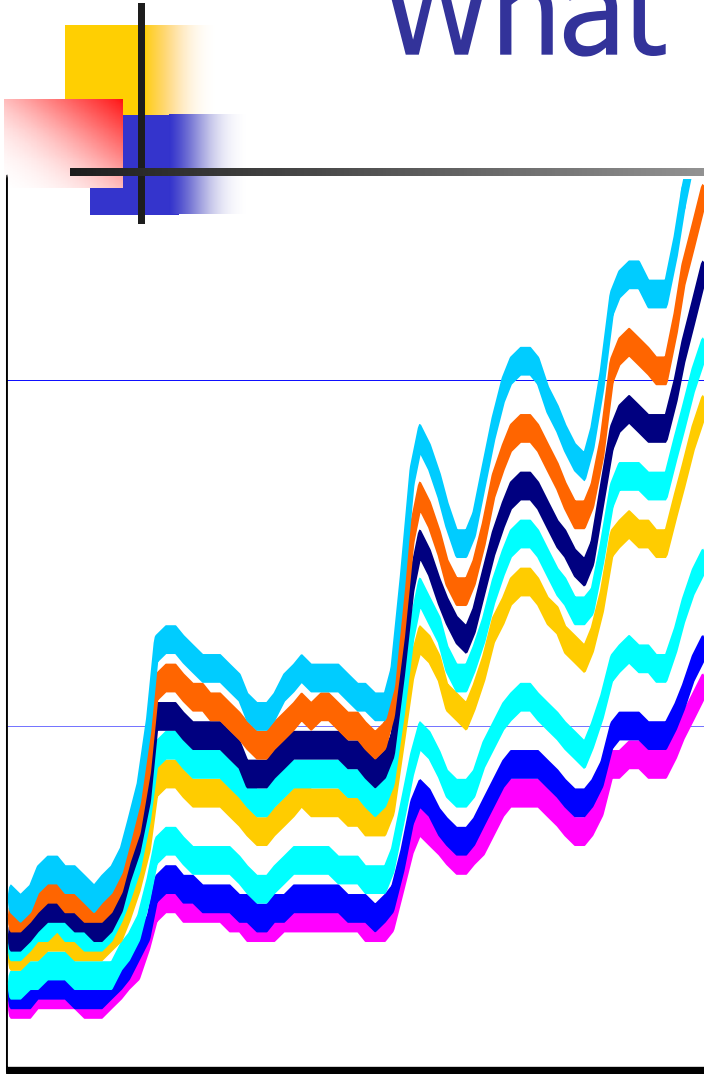
SPECTRUM



	DRY MATTER	AS IS	GH	T
PROTEIN	51.42	46.28	1.25	2.13
FAT	1.96	1.76	1.25	2.13
FIBER	5.4	4.86	1.25	2.13
DM	100.00	90.00	1.25	2.13
MOISTURE	0.0	10.00		

0.04 0.09 0.14 0.16 0.26 0.54 0.55 .059

What is Calibration?



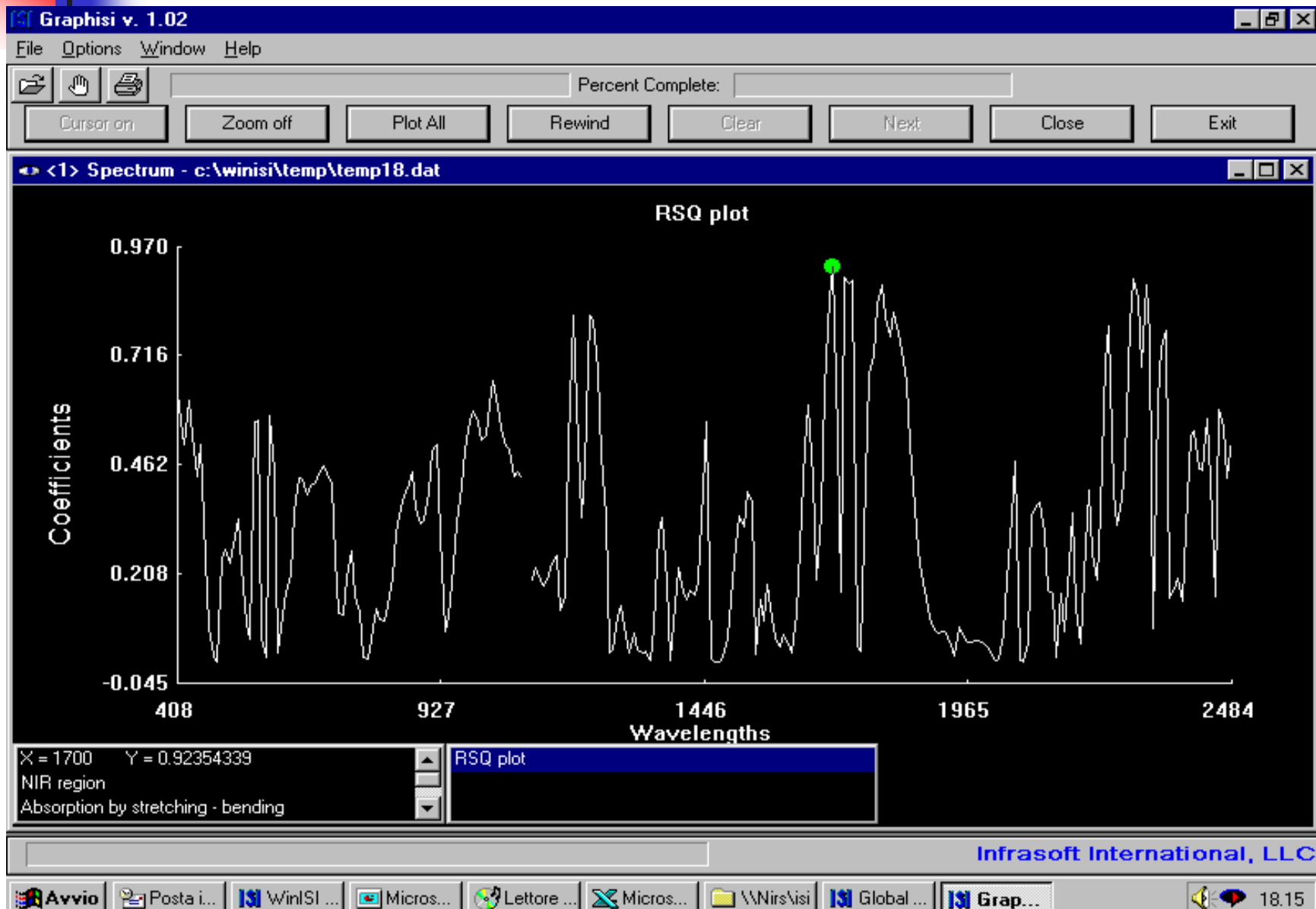
Y1	Y2	Y3...
12.8	97.4	43.2
11.5	96.2	45.6
10.7	94.3	48.0
10.5	96.7	45.2
9.7	98.3	47.9
8.4	96.5	44.1
7.5	95.0	46.7
7.2	93.2	41.4

Regression

$$Y = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2 + \dots + b_nx_n$$

Simple, multiple,
multivariate, neural network

Simple and multiple Calibration



Simple and multiple Calibration

Step-up Regression Statistics

Input File	demo.cal	REP File	None
Validation File	None	Equation File	None
Math Treatment	1, 4, 4, 1	Number of variables	259
Scatter Corrected	SNV and Detrend	Downright outliers	No
Constituent	FAT	Number of samples	65
Mean	10.487	Range	6.39 - 15.08
Standard deviation			1.587
Number of terms	1	SEC	0.442
R ²			0.922
B(0) =	Coefficient	Data Point	Wavelength
	-0.382		F
B(1) =	-291.073	648	1700
			761.00

Stepwise Regression Statistics

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Validation File	None	Equation File	None
Math Treatment	1, 4, 4, 1	Number of variables	259
Scatter Corrected	SNV and Detrend	Downright outliers	No
Constituent	FAT	Number of samples	65
Mean	10.487	Range	6.39 - 15.08
Standard deviation			1.587
Number of terms	6	SEC	0.280
R ²			0.969
B(0) =	Coefficient	Data Point	Wavelength
	3.439		F
B(1) =	-45.387	832	2068
			13.04
B(2) =	-149.161	944	2292
			99.29
B(3) =	-134.486	142	688
			23.70
B(4) =	-257.806	230	864
			13.09
B(5) =	322.309	660	1724
			52.40
B(6) =	-18.276	6	416
			12.74

Population structure

Chemical variation

Botanical composition

Climatic areas



Years of production

Cultivars/hybrids

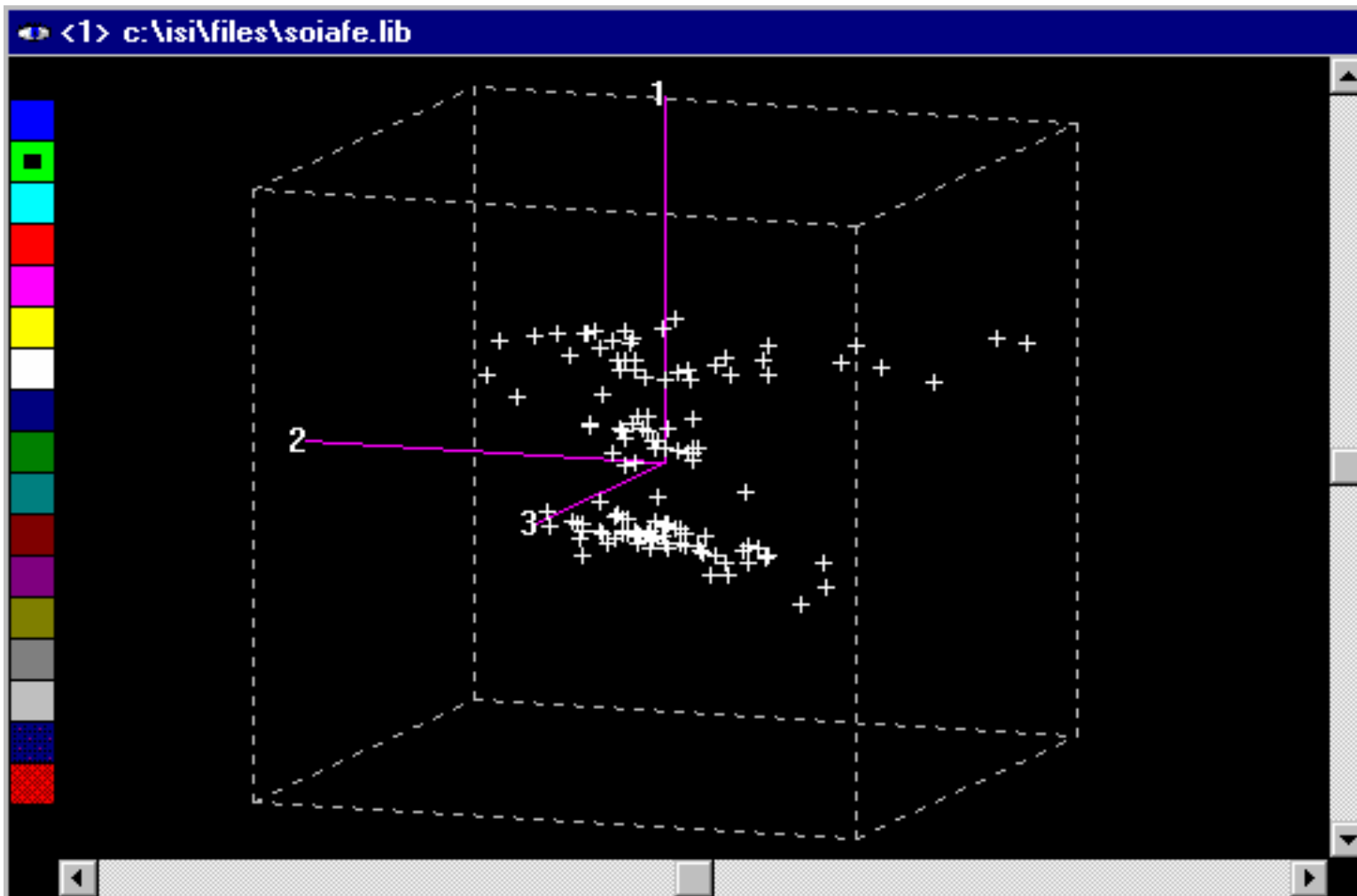
Harvesting methods

Population structure: How to built it

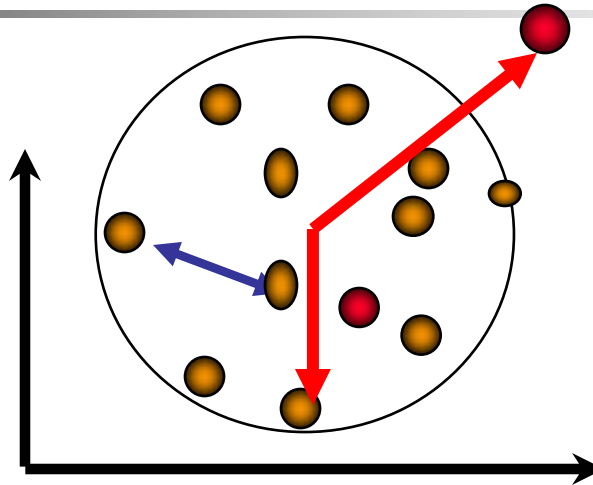


- **Our goal is to build an homogeneous distribution of samples which covers the variability of the product**
- **In commercial labs it is difficult to know the origin and history of samples analyzed.**
- **PCA and scores are the tools to use building a population based on NIR spectra.**

Principal components and population structure



Population structure:How to built it

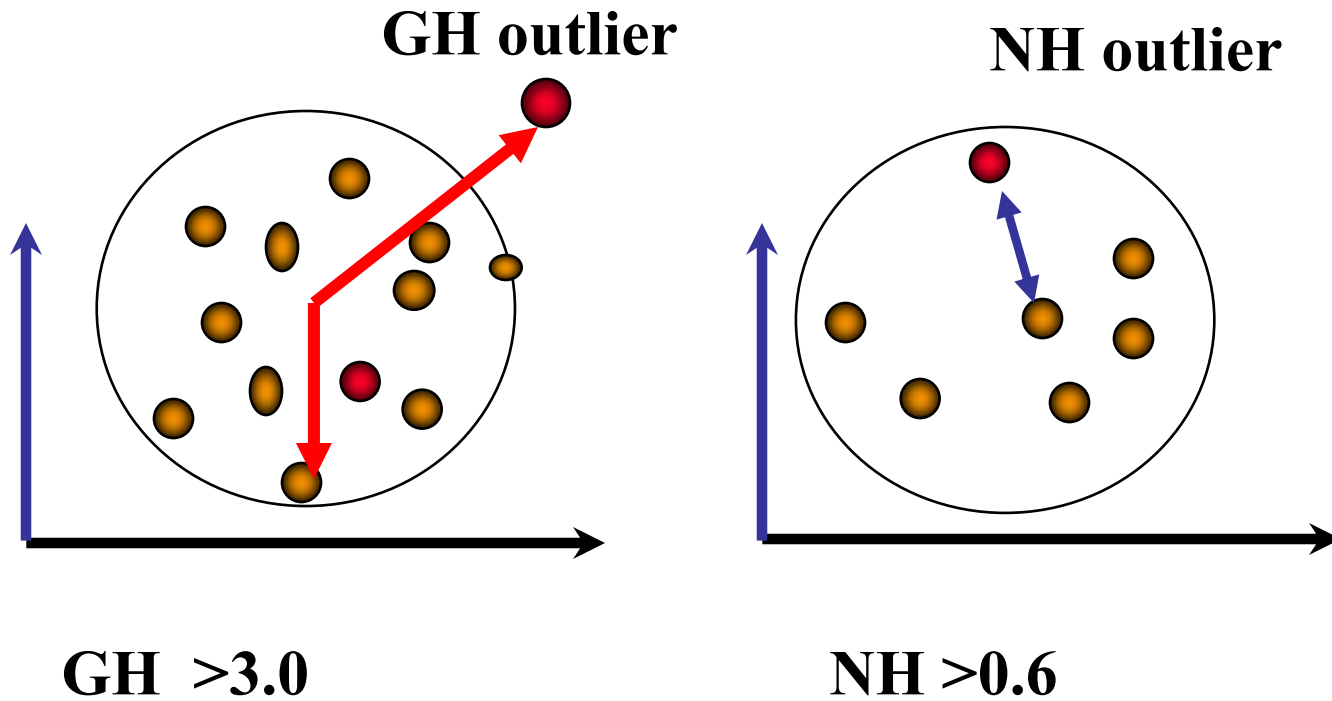


Global H number = distance from the population average (center) (maximum value=3.0)

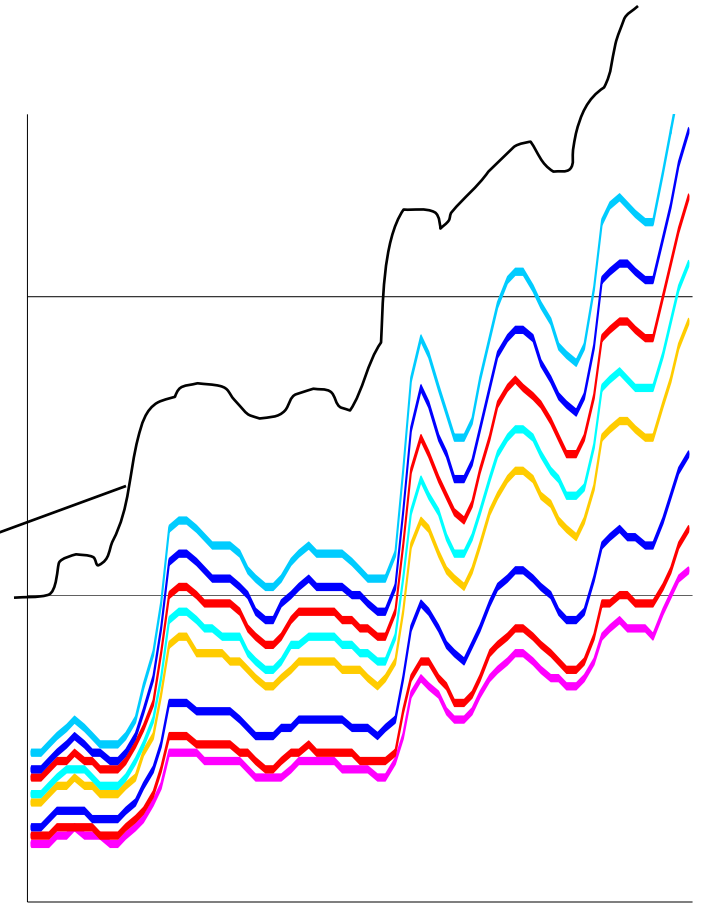


Neighborhood H number = distance from the closest sample (value=0.6)

Determination of outliers samples



Building a Calibration



NH and GH **
Unreliable predictions



Wha's next in NIRS

- New hardware
- New calibration procedures
- New standardization procedures
- Undried, unground feeds and forages

Undried unground analysis

