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Report of Calibration (42110C)

LASER POWER METER
Detector model number InGaAs photodetector, **S.N.** S1400482, **NIST ID** 686110
Labsphere integrating sphere 3P-LPM-040-SL, **S.N.** 05076191
Keithley current amplifier 428, **S.N.** 1154940
Keithley digital multimeter 2100, **S.N.** 1148559

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Table 1. Calibration results

Wavelength (nm)	**Nominal input power (mW)**	**N**	**Calibration factor (V/W)**	**Standard deviation (%)**	**Expanded uncertainty ($k=2$) (%)**
1047	299	16	-1.7140	0.27	0.86

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Calibration summary

The laser power meter was compared to NIST standard calorimeters at a wavelength of 1047 nm (Diode Pumped Solid State Laser). The laser beam had a nominal diameter of 6 mm on the detector surface, and the test detector was centered and normal to the incident beam. The power impinging upon the test instrument was measured concurrently using a calibrated beamsplitter and a NIST standard calorimeter (see Figure 1). The beamsplitter ratio was calibrated for each data set using two NIST standard calorimeters.

Before the measurements began, the test instrument was allowed to reach equilibrium with the laboratory environment. Readings were recorded from the test meter via USB interface to KI Tools software. The calibration factor was then found by dividing the test instrument reading by the calculated incident power. The ambient temperature during these measurements was 23 °C ± 1 °C and the relative humidity was 15 % ± 5 %.

A summary of the measurements is given in Table 1. If the readings of the test instrument are **divided** by the appropriate calibration factor listed in the table, then, on the average, the resulting values will agree with those of the NIST measurement system.

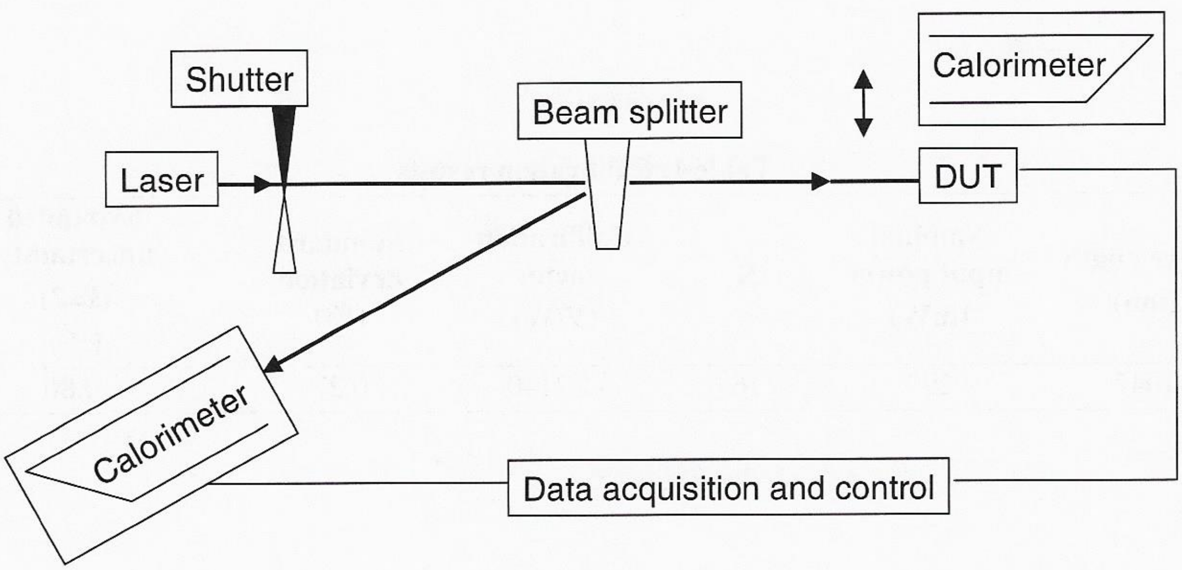

Figure 1. Measurement setup

Uncertainty assessment

The uncertainty estimates for the NIST laser power and energy measurements are assessed following guidelines given in NIST Technical Note 1297, "Guidelines for Evaluating and Expressing the Uncertainty of NIST Measurement Results" by Taylor and Kuyatt, 1994. Uncertainty is separated into uncorrelated components ascribed to either Type A or Type B sources in current measurement process. Neither correlated nor unidentified uncertainty sources are significant in comparison to the identified Type A and Type B uncertainties.

Type A uncertainty components are assumed independent and normally distributed. Consequently, the relative standard uncertainty, $u_{rel,\ Type\ A}$, for each component is

$$u_{rel,\ Type\ A} = \frac{1}{\bar{x}\sqrt{N}}\sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1}\sum_{h=1}^{N}(x_h - \bar{x})^2}\ ,$$

where x_h represents the individual measurements of a value, $\bar{x}$ the average of measurements, and N is the number of measurements made.

Type B uncertainty components are assumed independent, typically with a uniform distribution. Consequently, the relative standard uncertainty, $u_{rel,\ Type\ B}$, for each component is typically

$$u_{rel,\ Type\ B} = \frac{\delta_{rel}}{\sqrt{3}}\ ,$$

where the value has an equal probability of being within the region, $\pm\delta_{rel}$, and zero probability of being outside that region.

Certain uncertainty sources arise from both Type A and Type B uncertainty components. Consequently, the relative standard uncertainty, $u_{rel,\ c}$, for each combined component is

$$u_{rel,\ c} = \sqrt{\sum u_{rel,\ Type\ A}^2 + \sum u_{rel,\ Type\ B}^2}\ .$$

The relative expanded uncertainty U_{rel} combines relative standard uncertainties u_{rel} in quadrature, multiplying this result by a coverage factor $k = 2$ where such an expansion supports a 95% confidence interval. The expanded relative uncertainty, U_{rel}, is then

$$U_{rel} = 2\sqrt{\sum u_{rel}^2}\ .$$

Relative uncertainties used to calculate the relative expanded uncertainty of the calibration factor are listed in Table 2. The number of decimal places used in reporting the mean value of the calibration factor listed in Table 1 was determined by expressing the total NIST uncertainty to at least two significant digits.

Table 2. Calibration uncertainties

Source	Standard Uncertainty	(type)
Inequivalence	0.087 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ B})$
Absorptivity	0.0058 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ B})$
Electronics	0.058 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ B})$
Electronics	0.0033 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ A})$(N=30)
Heater Leads	0.0058 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ B})$
Window Transmission	0.064 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ B})$
Window Transmission	0.0033 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ A})$(N=30)
Inject time	0.029 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ B})$
Laser power drift	0.29 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ B})$
Standard meter ratio	0.29 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ B})$
Standard meter ratio	0.0020 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ A})$(N=8)
Test meter ratio	0.067 %	$(u_{rel,\ Type\ A})$(N=16)

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