





Invited talk on calibration:

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# The geodetic calibration line of the UniBw Munich – Conception and implementation

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## 1. The new geodetic calibration line at Neubiberg

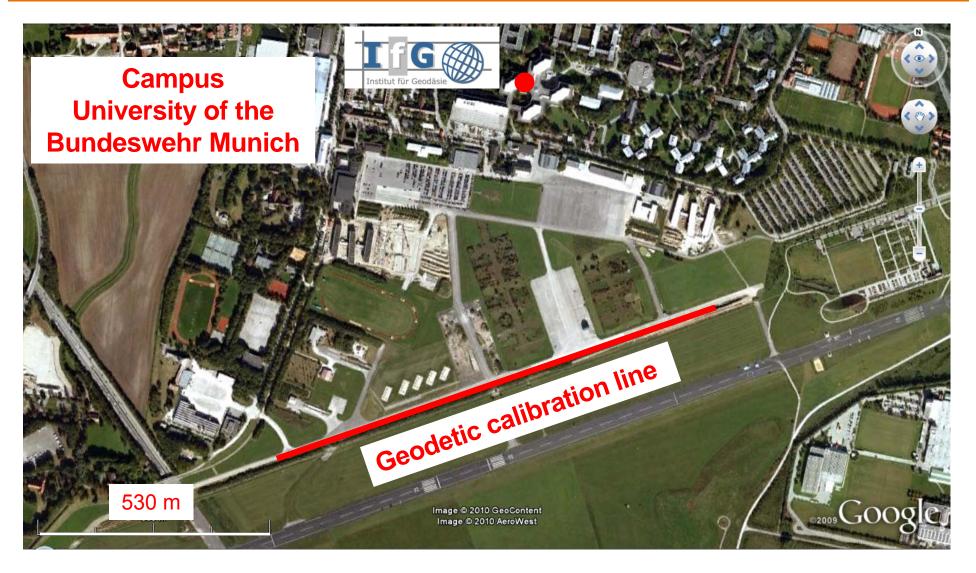
- Objectives, planning & design
- Construction & side impressions

# 2. Determination and documentation of measurand "length"

- Instruments & procedures
- Influence factor "meteorology"
- Calibration of low-cost meteo sensors
- Use of geo sensor networks
- Uncertainty of measurement: principles & implementation

# 3. Conclusion and outlook

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Further information on the University please see: www.unibw.de

For the calibration of EDMs, tacheometers, levelling instruments, gyros etc. certified Geodetic Laboratories are obliged to:

- Document and guarantee the traceability of the measurands (e.g. by intercomparison programmes);
- Document the obtained measurement uncertainty *u* of etalons.

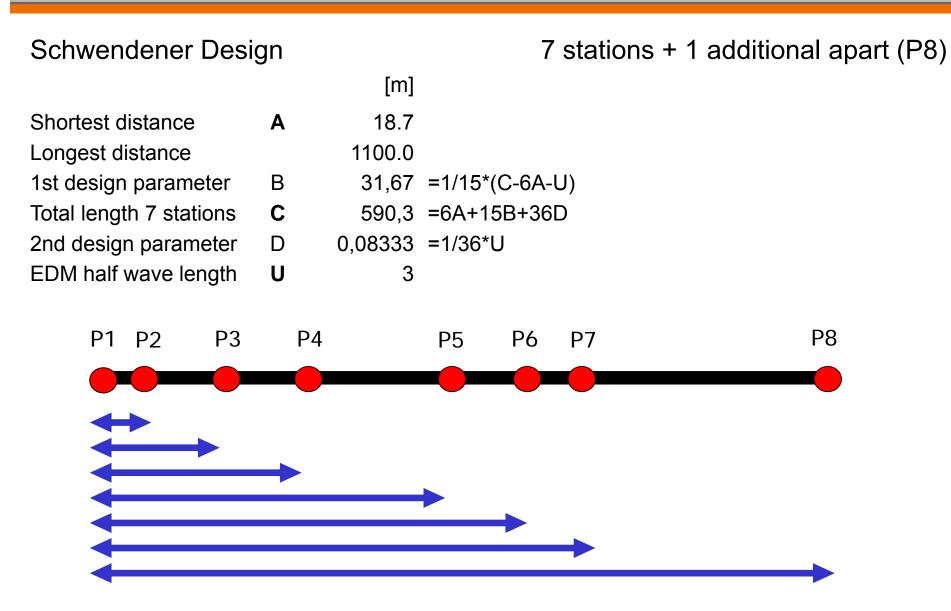
### Geodetic calibration line UniBw Munich:

Primary measurands:	Length and azimuth
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Goals: $u_{distance}$ < 0.3 mm</th>for distances up to 1100 m(better for shorter distances, see comparator of Geod. Lab.) $u_{scale}$ < 0.2 ppm</td>for distances up to 1100 m $u_{azimuth}$ < 1 ''</td>

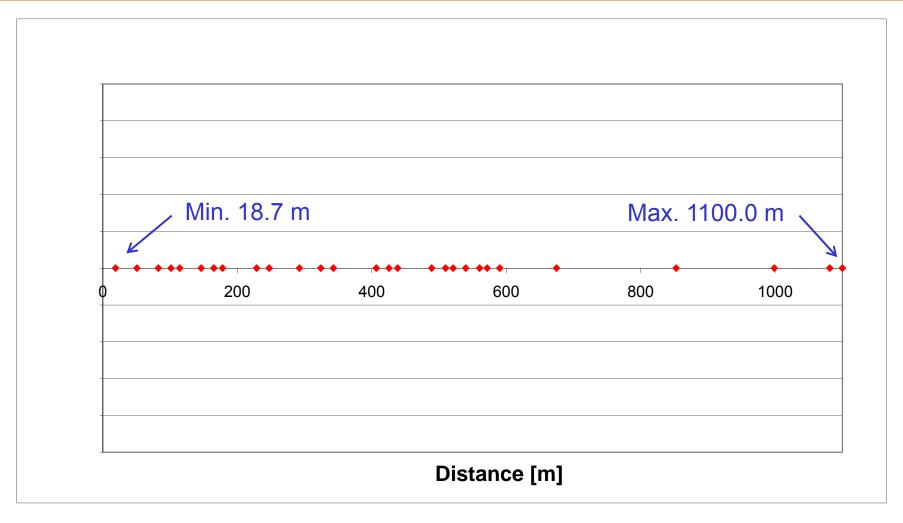
Secondary measurands: Coordinate differences

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### **Distribution of distances over length**



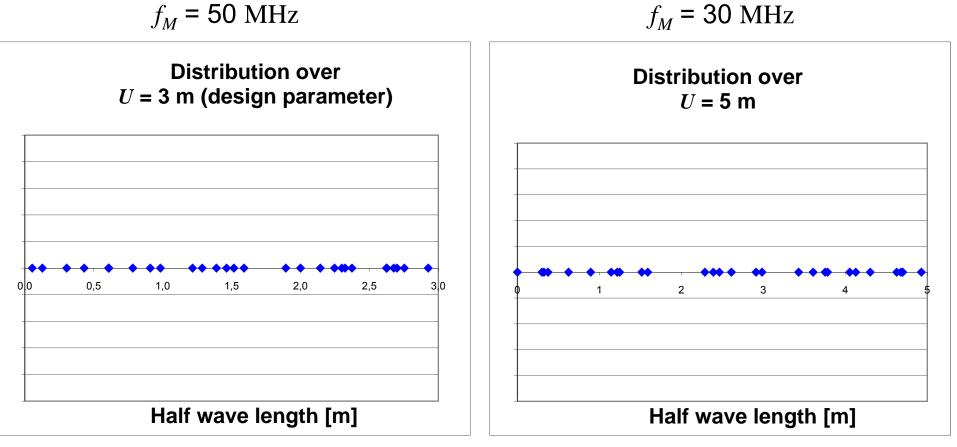


2 1 + 7 = 28 measureable distances

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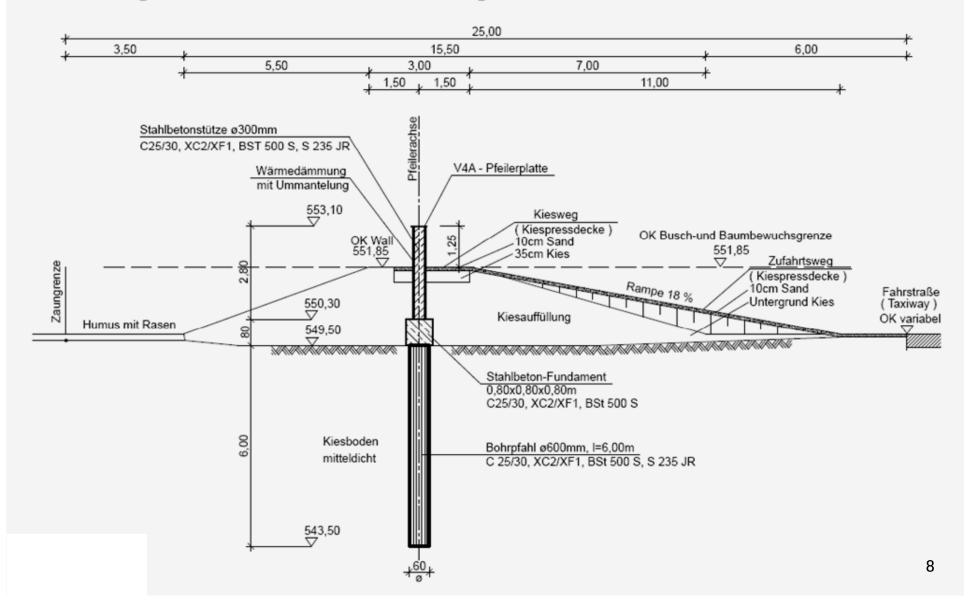
EDM half wave length 
$$U[m] = \frac{\lambda_M}{2} = \frac{c[m/s]}{2 \cdot f_M [1/s]}$$
 15 MHz  $\leq f_M \leq 100$  MHz

Examples:



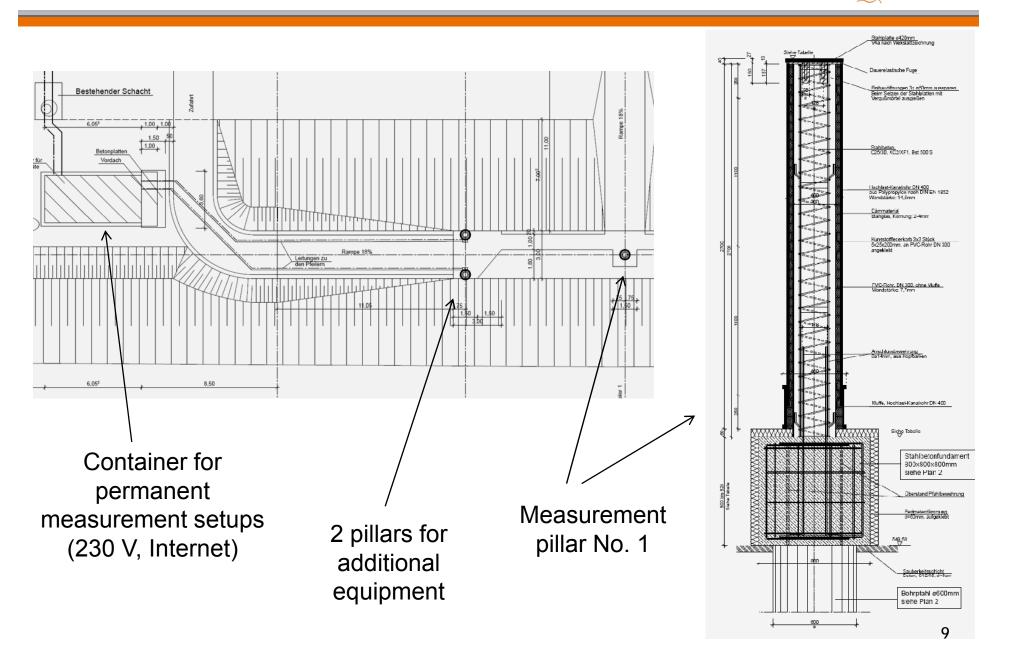


# Systemschnitt Messpfeiler M=1:100



### **Construction details**

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### **Impressions from construction works in 2008**

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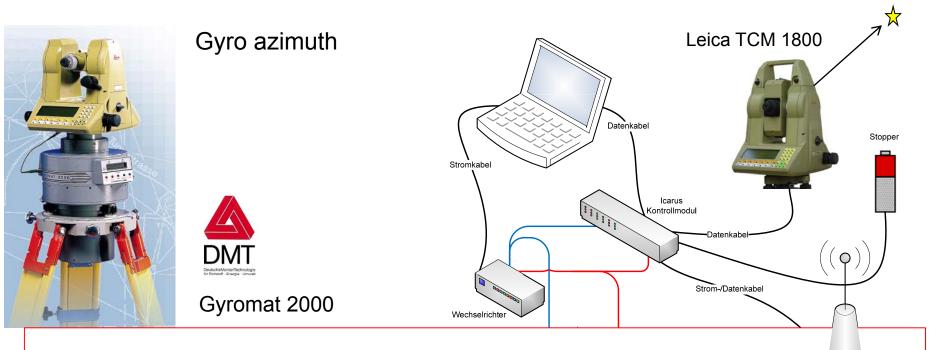


### Impressions from recent status





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# Presentation is focused on measurand "length" only!



System "Icarus"

- Astronomical azimuth (pole star)
- Deflection of the vertical

GNSS azimuth

### **Equipment of Geodetic Laboratory**





### 30 m interferometric longitudinal comparator:

- Interferometer HP 5507B
- Measurement uncertainty  $u = (0.6 + 1.0 L_{[m]}) \mu m$
- Air-conditioned environments

### Climate chamber:

- Temp. band  $-25^{\circ}C +45^{\circ}C$
- Aligned with comparator





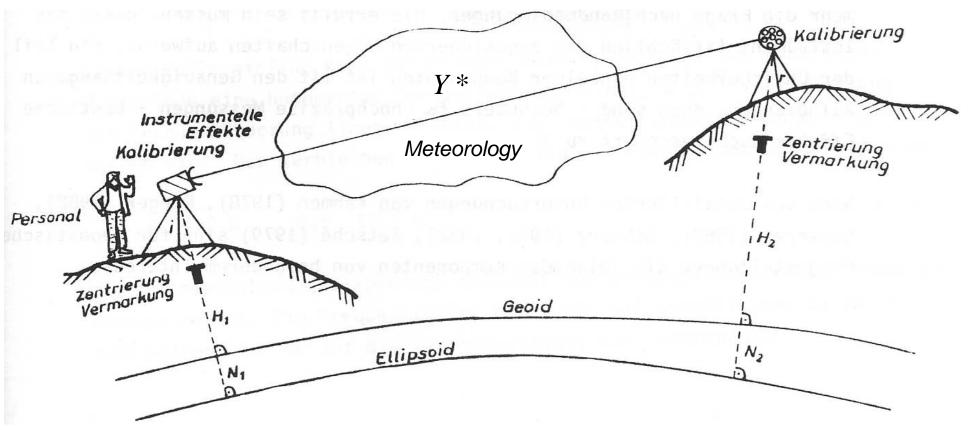
### Instruments for high quality distance measurements

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### 2. Determination of measurand "length" by EDM

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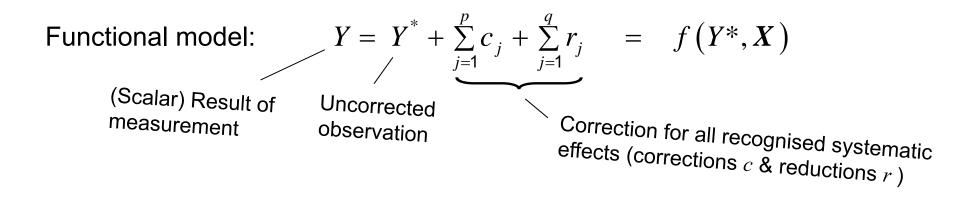
*Y*\* : Uncorrected "raw" observation

#### Niemeier, W.:

Zur Zuverlässigkeit geodätischer Systeme – Problemformulierung und Lösungsansätze. Wiss. Arbeiten der Fachrichtung Vermessungswesen, Nr. 153, Hannover, **1989** 

### **Functional and stochastical model of evaluation**

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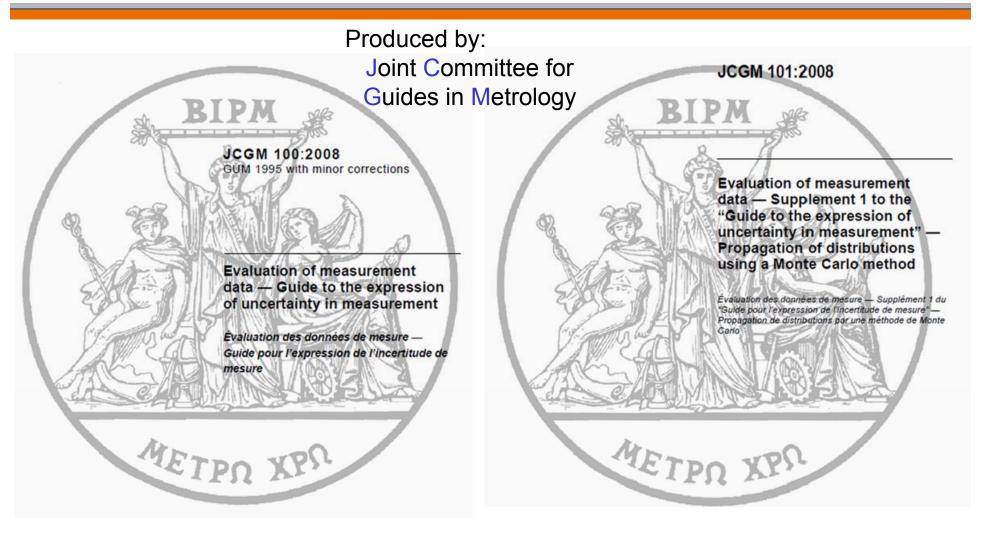


Each correction is a function of some influence factors  $X_i$ , i = 1, ..., N, e.g., temperature and adds a respective percentage to the variance of the result. Even "centering" etc. can be seen as a correction  $c_c$  with  $E(c_c) = 0$  and  $\sigma_c^2$ .

Stochastical model: 
$$\Sigma = \begin{vmatrix} \sigma_{raw}^2 & O \\ O & \Sigma_{XX} \\ N,N \end{vmatrix}$$
 Co-variance matrix of influence factors  
Variance of result Y:  $\sigma_Y^2 = \sigma_{raw}^2 + F \Sigma_{XX} F^T$ ,  $F = \left(\frac{\partial f(Y^*, X)}{\partial X}\right)$ 

### **Guide to the expression of uncertainty in measurement**

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BIPM

Bureau International des Poids et Mesures

Download of documents see:

www.bipm.org

#### Uncertainty of measurement *u* :

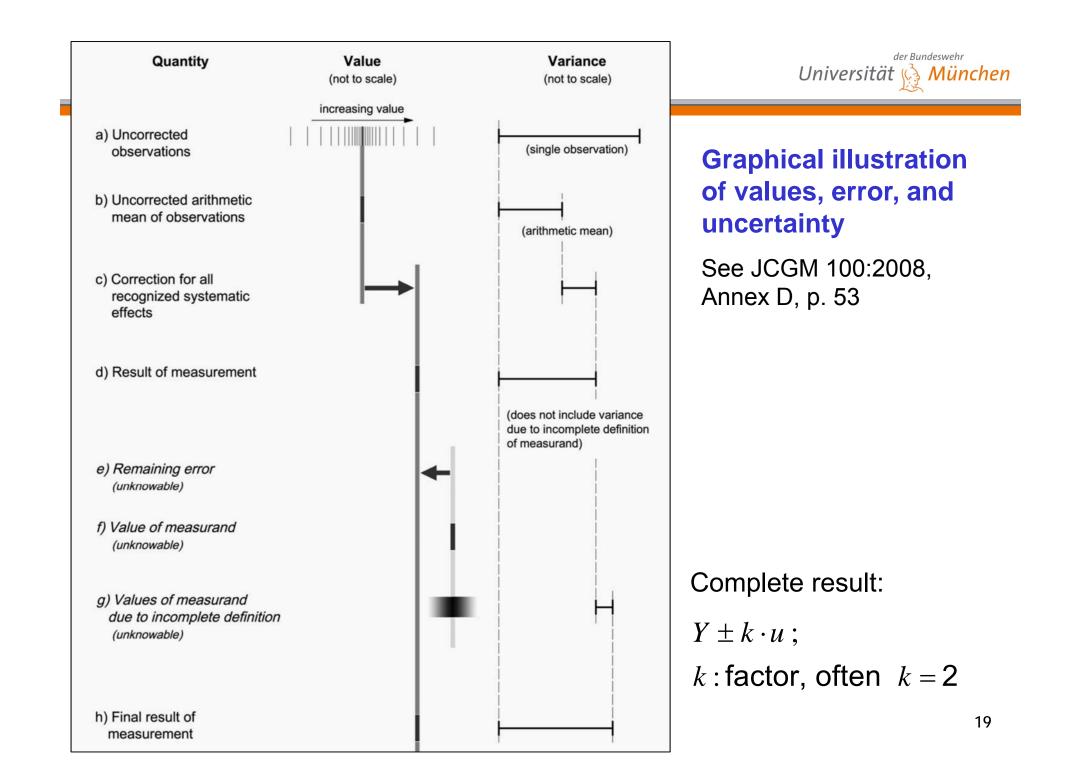
Parameter, associated with the result of a measurement, that characterizes the dispersion of the values that could reasonably be attributed to the measurand.

Uncertainty of measurement comprises many components. Some of these components may be evaluated from the statistical distribution of the results of series of measurements and can be characterized by experimental standard deviations. The other components, which also can be characterized by standard deviations, are evaluated from assumed probability distributions based on experience or other information.

### **Principles to obtain** *u* :

- Analytical deduction (law of error propagation, Bayes theorem);
- Numerical studies: Monte-Carlo-Simulation (see JCGM 101:2008);
- Intercomparison programmes and their combined evaluation.

**Essential:** Consideration of influence factors  $X_i$ , i = 1, ..., N; N: complete.

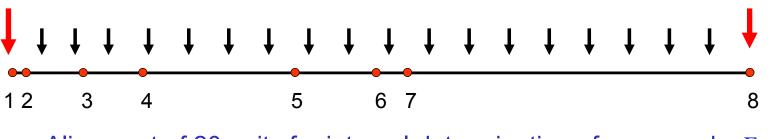


 $dn \times 10^{6} = -1.00 dt + 0.28 dp - 0.04 de \begin{cases} dt : \text{variation of temperature [°C]} \\ dp : \text{variation of air pressure [hPa]} \\ de : \text{variation of partial water vapor pressure [hPa], with} \end{cases}$ 

$$e = \frac{rF \ [\%]}{100}E$$

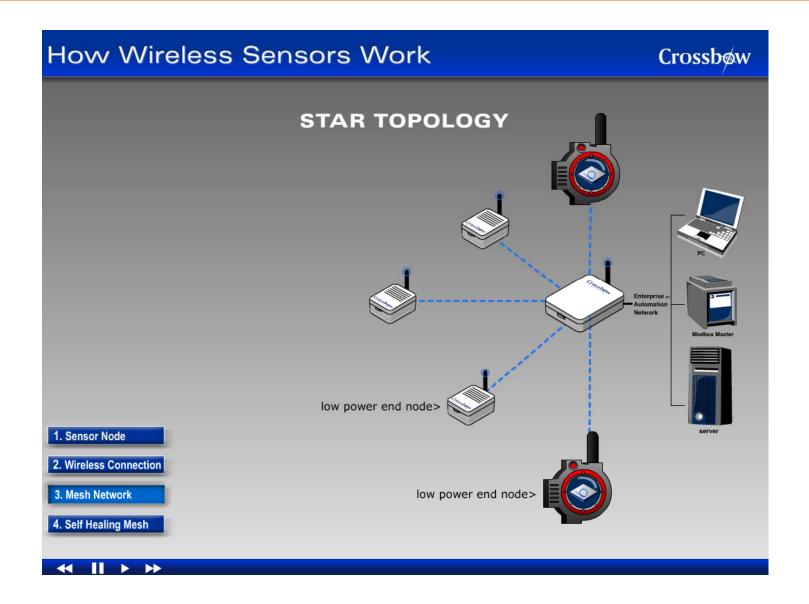
rF : rel. humidity, E : saturation vapor

Demand for 0.1 ppm: t with 0.1 °C, p with 0.3 hPa, rF with 10% representative for signal path requested!



Alignment of 20 units for integral determination of t, p and rF

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### **Crossbow mote with sensor board MT420**

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Crossbow

www.xbow.com



approx. 3 x 5 x 4 cm

#### Mote with integrated devices:

- 1 Dual axis accelerometer
- 1 Light sensor
- 1 Barometer
- 1 Temperature- und humidity measuring unit
- 1 Low-cost GPS receiver
- 64 Kbyte EEPROM, TinyOS & ISM radio module

### Accelerometer

- Type ADXL202JE (MEMS Technology)
- Range ±2 g
- Resolution 2 mg
- Rate 60 Hz
- Nonlinearity 0.2%
- "Zero g bias level 2.0 mg/°C from 25°C"

www.analog.com



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### Light sensor

- Type TAOS TSL2550D
- Range 400–1000 nm
- 1 channel for IR
- 1 channel visible light
- 12 bit resolution "Lux to bit"





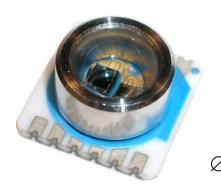
www.taosinc.com

### Meteo sensors at Crossbow board MT420

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#### **Barometer**

- Type Intersema MS5534AM
- Range 300 1100 hPA
- Resolution 0,01 hPA
- "Accuracy ± 1.5% at 25°C"



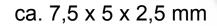
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### Temperature- and humidity meas. unit

- Type Sensirion SHT11



Temperature:

- Range 40 to + 80°C
- "Accuracy ± 0.5°C at 25°C"

Humidity:

- Range 0–100% Rel. humidity (RH)

- Resolution 0,3% RH

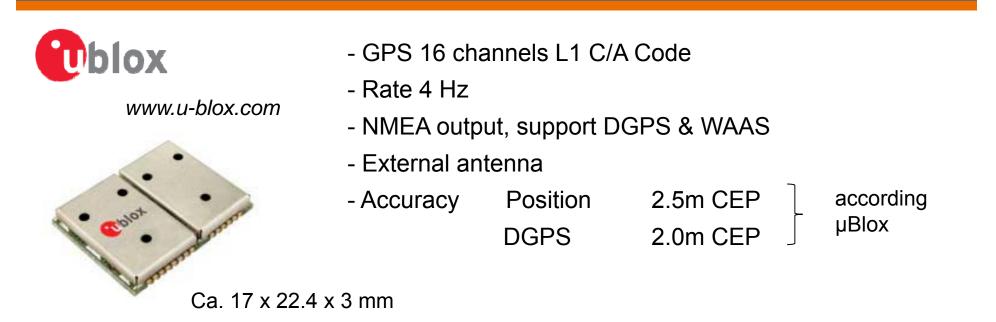
- "Absolute RH accuracy ± 3.5% RH"

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### Location unit at Crossbow board MT420

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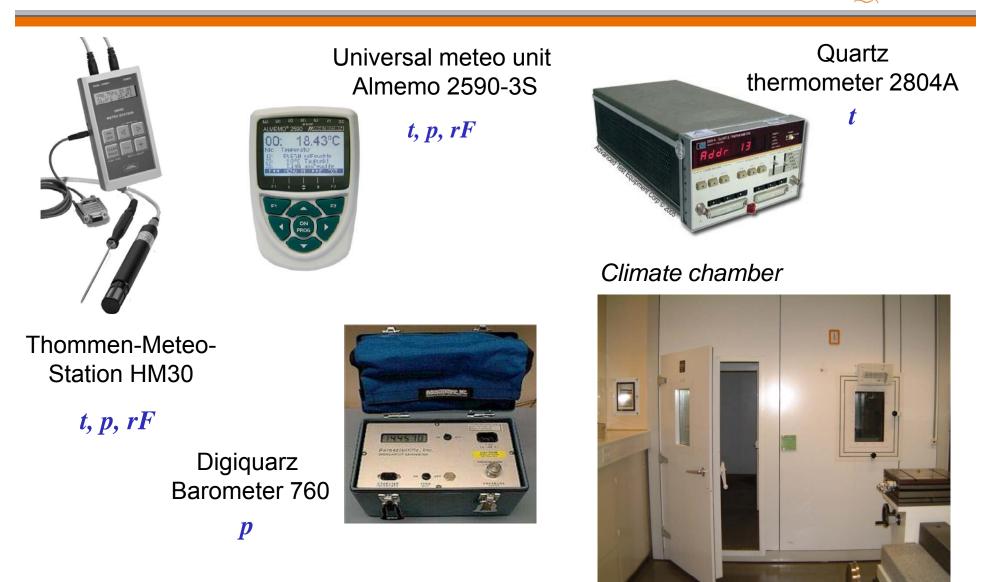
Accuracy specifications of Crossbow meteorological units: *t* with  $\pm$  0.5 °C, *p* with  $\pm$  1.5 hPA, *rF* with  $\pm$  3.5% at 25°C

Low-cost sensors for high accuracy application?

Goal: Enhancement by factor 5 by calibration with respect to t and p.

### **Recording of reference values for calibration**

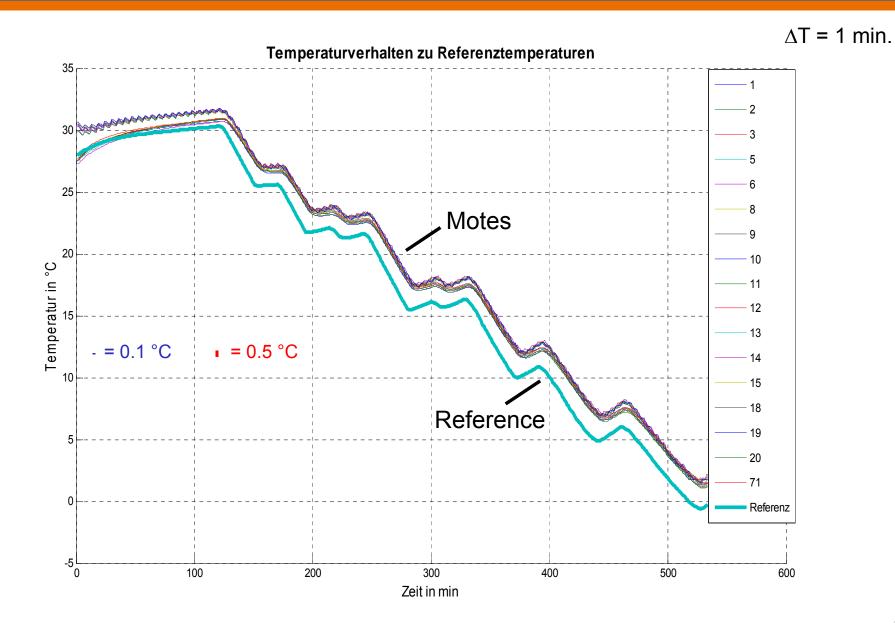
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Reference instruments by factor 10 better then crossbow MT 420 test items

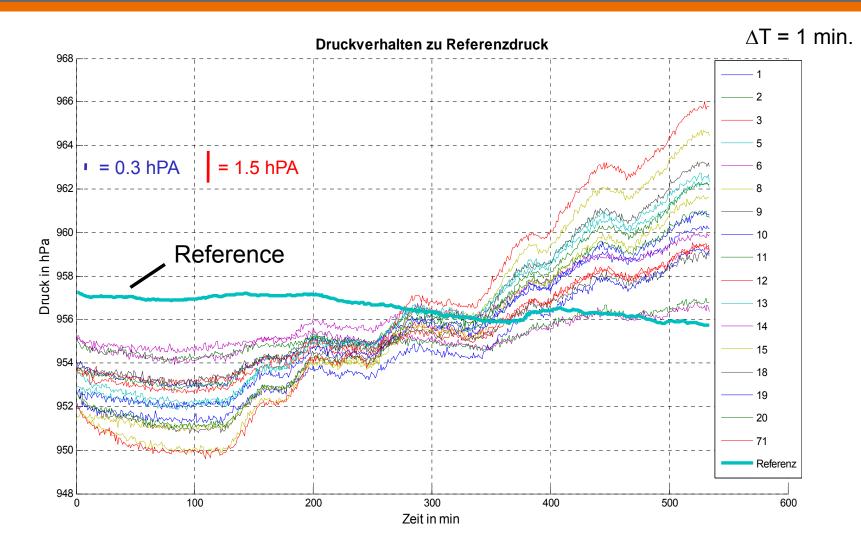
### Investigations with respect to t





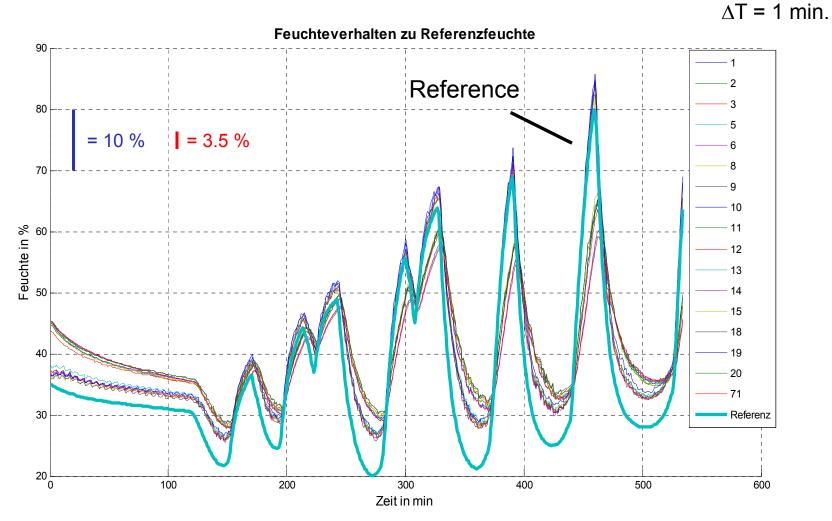
### Investigations with respect to *p*





Pressure units depict a certain dependence to temperature.

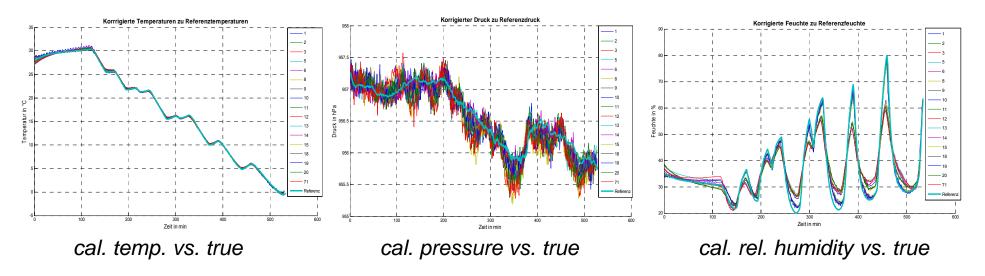
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Rel. humidity at climate chamber varies due to regularization of temperature. Noticeable time lag of humidity units.

### **Calibration results of Crossbow meteo sensors**

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- Several calibrations performed (t = 0 30 °C) to evaluate long term stability.
- 3 of 20 motes with bad and unreliable results.
- Determination of individual response curves using regression analysis.



RMS (simple regression)				
Temperature °C	Pressure hPa	Rel. humidity %		
0.23	0.11	3.85		
~®*				

\* : Improved later by a polynomial regression

### **Determination of reference distances by ME 5000**

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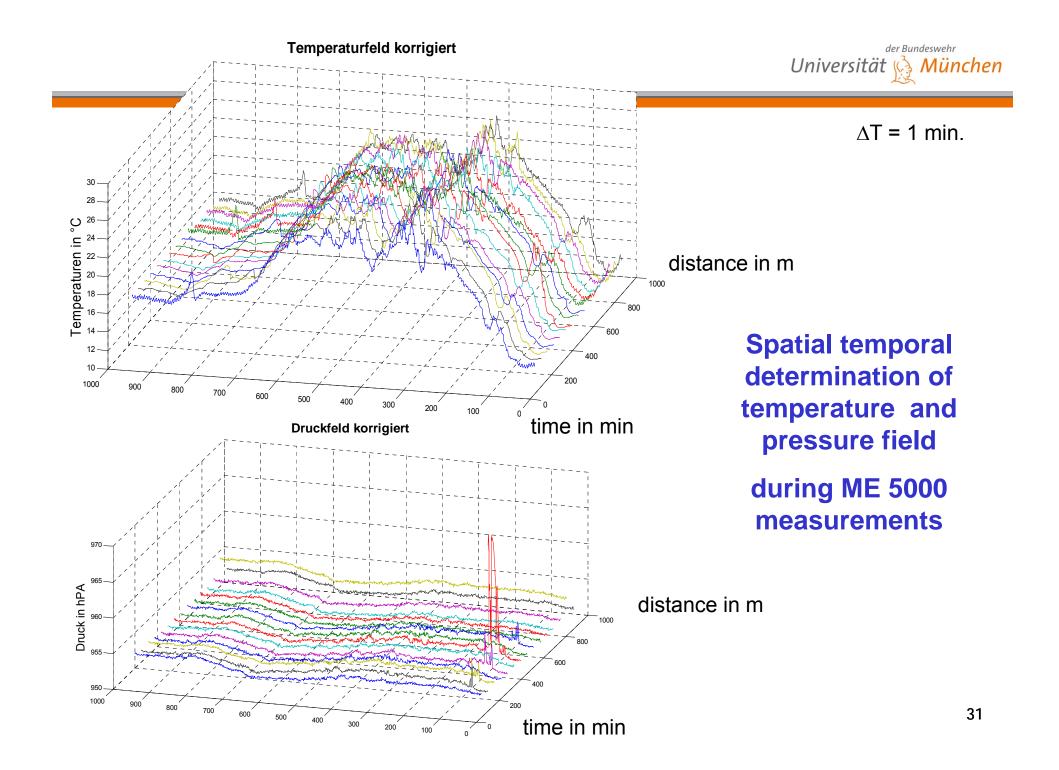


Kern Mekometer ME 5000

- Variable frequency 460 510 MHz
- U = 0.3 m (half wave length)
- Accuracy: 0.2 mm + 0,2 ppm
- Range: 5000 m



Set up of Crossbow motes



Influence factor $X_i$	Assumption for distribution	Influence	Measurement uncertainty <i>u</i>
Additional value of instrument	normal	additive	0,14 mm
Scale factor of instrument	normal	proportional	0,50 ppm
Meteorological correction	normal	proportional	0,14 ppm
Eccentricity of prism	rectangle	additive	0,02 mm
Resolution of instrument	rectangle	additive	0,02 mm
Inclination of prism	rectangle	additive	0,03 mm
Misalignment of prism	normal	additive	0,005 mm

Uncertainties of additional value  $u_c$  and scale factor  $u_s$  are from the old calibration line.

Uncertainty of scale factor is dominant (and must be improved)!

Influence of meteorological correction relatively low compared to  $u_c$  and  $u_s$ .

### **Determination of reference distances by AT901-LR**



### Leica laser tracker AT901-LR

MPE: Maximum permissible error Approx.: MPE = U = 2 u Absolute distance measurement (ADM), interferometric distance measurement (IFM)

Specified measurement uncertainty ADM:Distance: $U = \pm 10 \ \mu\text{m} + ppm$ ?Modulation frequency:900 MHzMax. range:80 m (volume 160 m)

- New and certified instrument
- Re-calibrated according to NIST at Geodetic Lab.

#### From a Leica brochure:

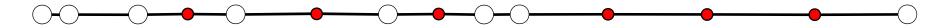
In-Line Distance Measurement				
Range (m)	ADM (mm)	IFM (mm)	ADM (mm)	IFM (mm)
	MPE	MPE values		al values
2 to 5	0.0141	0.0011	0.0071	0.0006
2 to 10	0 0141	0 0025	0.0071	0 0013
2 to 20	0.0141	0.0054	0.0071	0.0027
2 to 30	0.0141	0.0084	0.0071	0.0042
2 to 35	0.0141	0.0099	0.0071	0.0050
2 to 40	0.0141	0.0114	0.0071	0.0057

### **Possible configurations for AT901-LR**

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Use of intermediate points if  $Y_i > 75$  m (out door situation):



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Influence factor $X_i$	Assumption for distribution	Influence	Measurement uncertainty <i>u</i>
Additional value of instrument	normal	additive	5 µm
Scale factor of instrument	normal	proportional	???
Meteorological correction	normal	proportional	0,14 ppm
Production accuracy corner cube: circularity	rectangle	additive	2 µm
Production accuracy corner cube: surface	rectangle	additive	3 µm
Error of alignment	rectangle	additive	5 µm
Stability set up	rectangle	additive	6 µm

Meteorological conditions are most crucial for measurement uncertainty of AT901-LR. Uncertainty budget much better than ME 5000.

Scale factor of instrument uncertainty actually not considered.

Unfavorable error propagation for set ups with intermediate points.

## **Preliminary** results

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Distance	Estimated value [m]	Measurement uncertainty <i>u</i> ME 5000 [mm]	Measurement uncertainty <i>u</i> AT901-LR [mm]
1-2	18,78???	0,295	0,016
2-3	82,45???	0,295	0,023
3-4	146,14???	0,300	0,029
4-5	177,97???	0,305	0,063
5-6	114,29???	0,298	0,026
6-7	50,62???	0,297	0,017
7-8	509,69???	0,432	0,120

### **3. Conclusion and outlook**

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- Results obtained so far at the calibration line UniBw Munich are only preliminary.
- Intercomparison programmes with participation of several geodetic institutions ongoing and open to any other interesting party.
- Workshop on the final results and possibilities of the new calibration line scheduled for Spring 2011.
- Documentation of complete results according to GUM is obligatory for Geodetic Laboratories and also any other metrology institutions.
- Principles of GUM are known in Geodesy since years, but a full adaption is still outstanding.
- Consideration of all relevant influence factors on the interesting messurands is essential in today's metrology; see meteorology on EDM's.

# Thank you very much for the invitation!