

Improving the Acceptability of Flow Measurements

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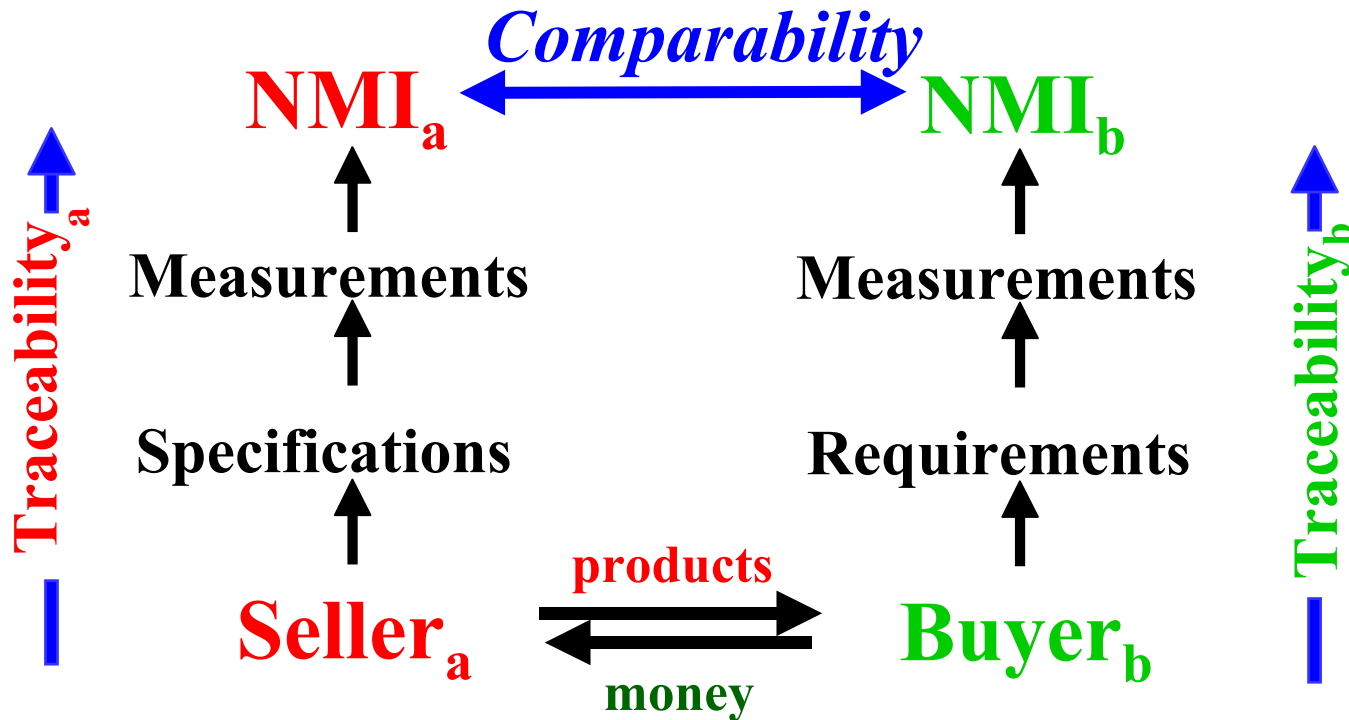
Background:

1. Buyers & sellers need measurements.
2. Today's technologies are expanding market places from local and national to global and international.
3. International trade needs international measurement acceptance.
4. International measurement acceptability needs:
 - a.) Recognition of measurement certificates, and
 - b.) *Comparability* of national measurement standards.
5. The CIPM/Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA)* has 4 a.) and b.) as its objectives.

* See: www.bipm.fr



Traceability & Comparability:

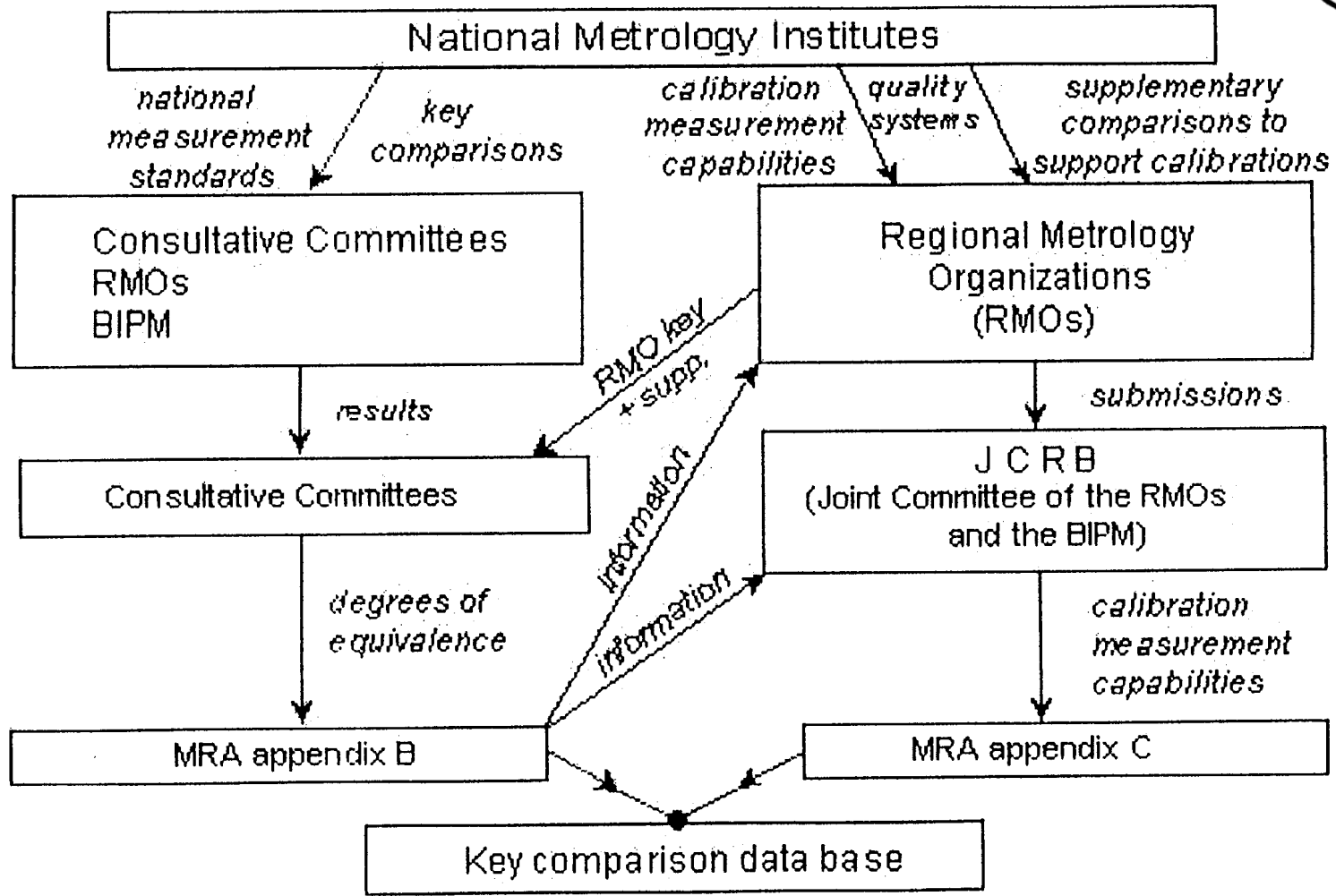


NMI: National Measurement Institute





● Diagram of the MRA



CIPM Consultative Committees (CCs):



1. CCAUV-Acoustics, Ultrasound, and Vibration

2. CCEM-Electricity and Magnetism

3. CCL-Length

4. CCM-Mass and Related Quantities

5. CCPR-Photometry and Radiation

6. CCQM-Amount of Substance

7. CCRI-Ionizing Radiation

8. CCT-Thermometry

9. CCTF-Time and Frequency

10. CCU-Units

Working Groups:

1. Density

2. Mass

3. Force (WGF)

4. Pressure

5. Avogadro's Const.

6. Hardness

7. Fluid Flow (WGFF)

a. Water Flow

b. Hydrocarb. Liq. Flow

c. Hi-Press Gas Flow

d. Lo-Press Gas Flow

e. Air Speed

f. Liquid Volume



MRA Signatories (43):

Argentina

Australia

Austria

Belgium

Brazil

Bulgaria

Canada

Chile

China

Czech Republic

Denmark

Ecuador*

Egypt

Finland

France

Germany

Hungary

India

Ireland

Italy

Japan

Korea

Mexico

Netherlands

New Zealand

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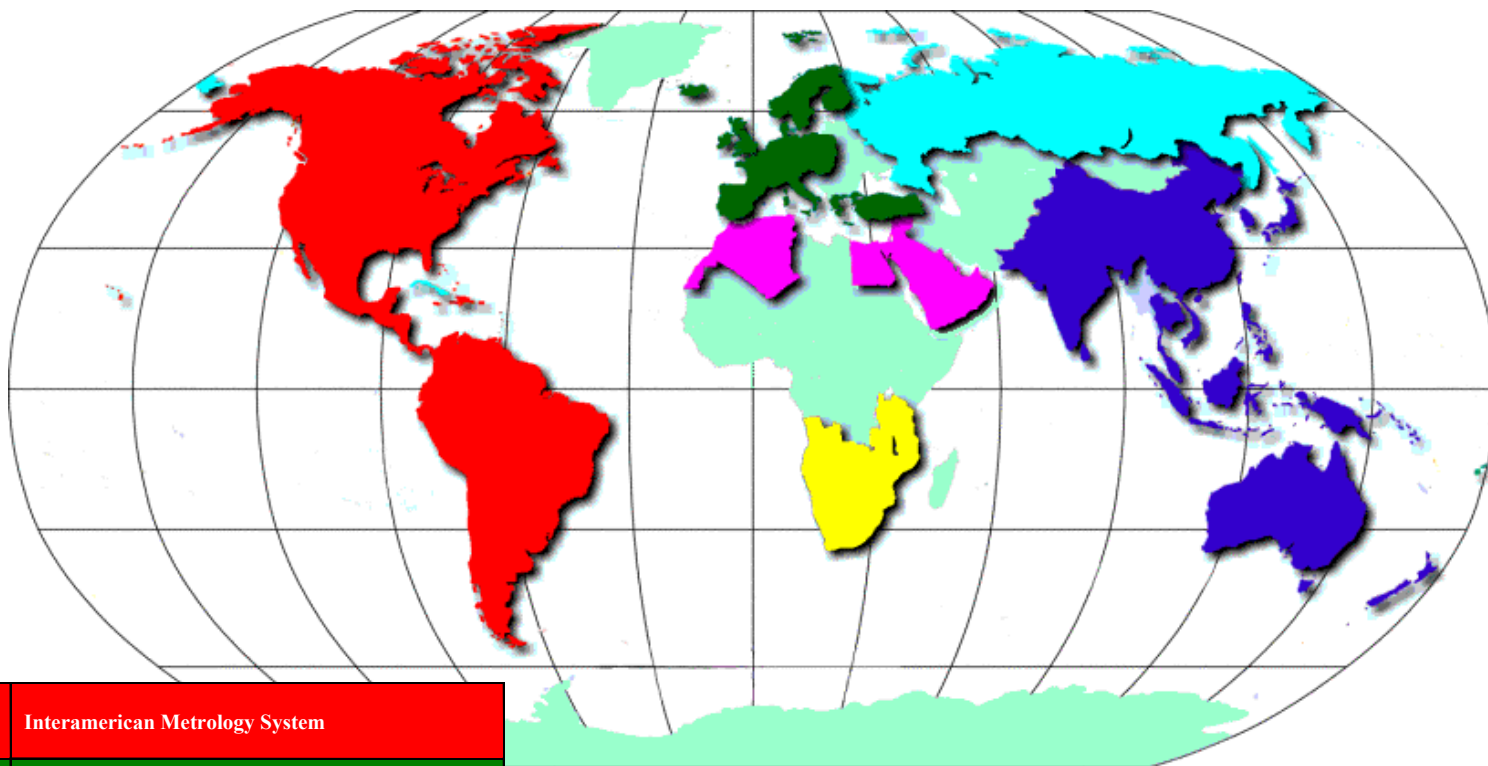
Int'l Orgs:

Int'l Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)

Inst. for Refr. Matls and Msmts (IRMM)

* Associate Member, as of Jan. '01

Regional Metrology Organizations (RMOs):



SIM	Interamerican Metrology System
EUROMET	European Union Metrology Cooperation
MENAMET	Middle East & North Africa Metrology
SADCMET	South African Development Cooperation in Metrology
COOMET	Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Kazakstan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, et al.
APMP	Asian Pacific Metrology Program



NMIs Participating

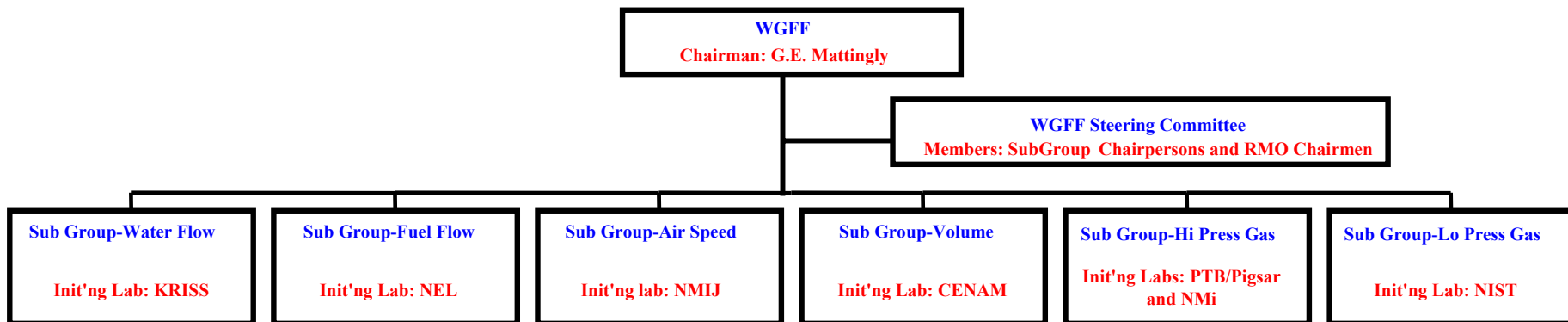
Measurand	APMP	EUROMET*	SIM
Water Flow	4	16	5
Hydr. Carb. Liq.	4	15	4
Gas Flow (Lo P)	5	14	4
Gas Flow (Hi P)	4	14	2
Air Speed	4	8	2
Volume	4	12	6

* EUROMET and COOMET





WGFF Structure:

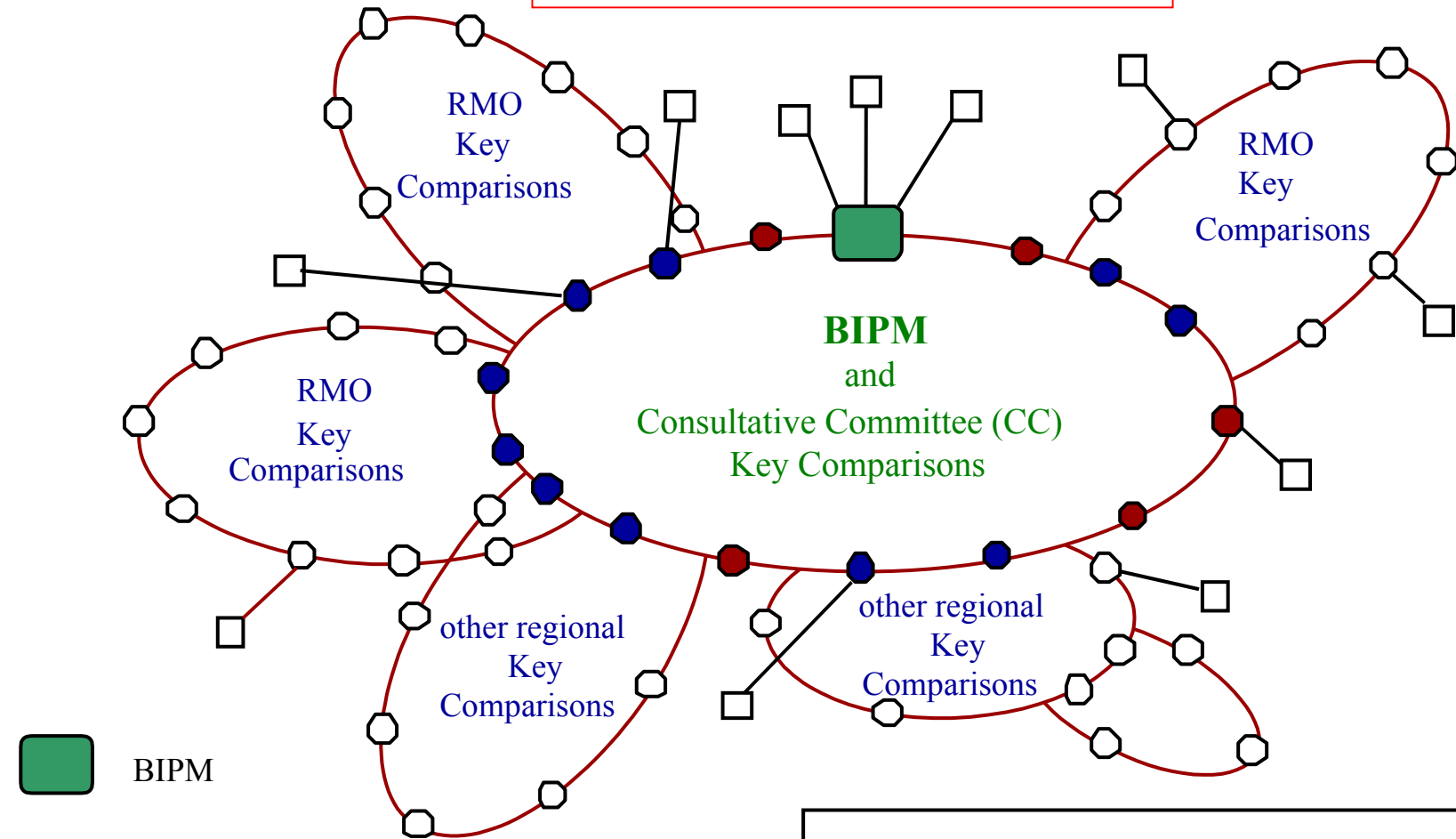


WGFF Responsibilities








Measurand	Initiating Country	Assisting Country	Assisting Country
Water Flow	Korea	UK	Mexico
Hydrocarbon Liquid Flow	UK	Japan	US
Gas Flow (Low P)	US	UK	Korea
Gas Flow (High P)	Germany and The Netherlands	US	Korea
Air Speed	Japan	Brazil	Netherlands
Volume	Mexico	Australia	Sweden



Generic Key Comparison Tests



 BIPM

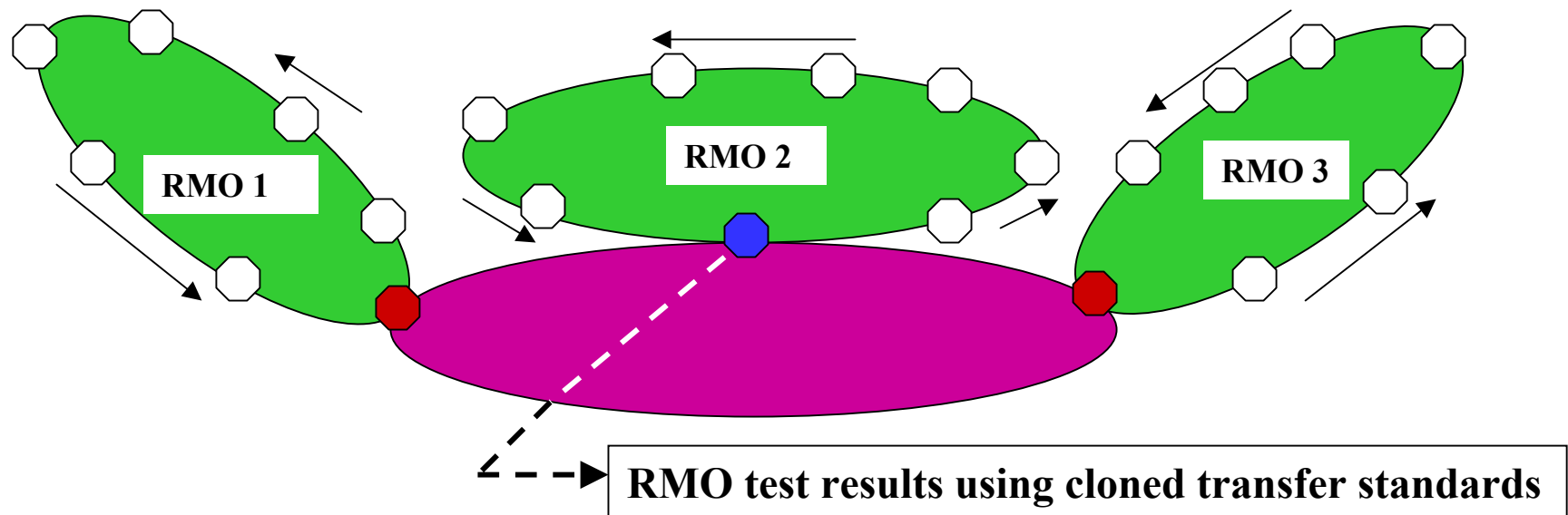
-  NMI participating in BIPM/CC Key Comparisons
-  NMI participating in BIPM/CC Key Comparisons and in RMO Key Comparisons
-  NMI participating in regional Key Comparisons
-  NMI participating in neither BIPM/CC nor regional Key Comparisons but making bilateral comparisons directly with BIPM or with NMIs in categories , , or 

CCM = BIPM Consultative Committee on Mass and Related Quantities
RMOs = Regional Metrology Organizations
NMI = National Metrology Institution
SIM = Systema Interamericano Metrologia
APMP = Asian-Pacific Metrology Program
EUROMET = Metrology Organization of the European Union

Ideal Key Comparison Testing

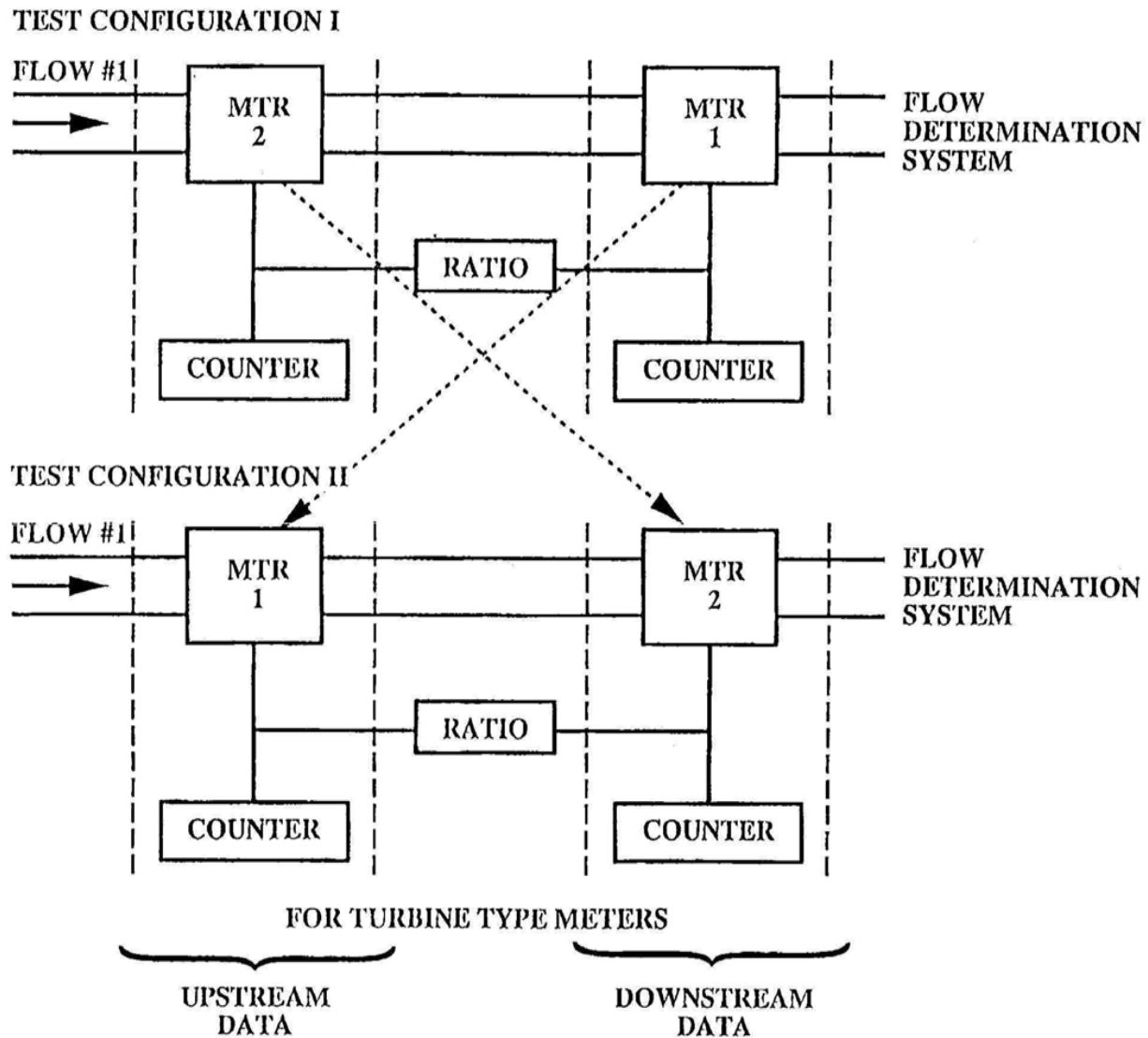
Initial Phase: Initiating Lab produces, tests, and clones the original transfer standard. KC proposed to CCM.

RMO Test Phase: Pilot [●] and Pivot Labs [●] arrange, monitor, and complete **RMO tests** among Signatory NMIs [○] using cloned transfer standards:



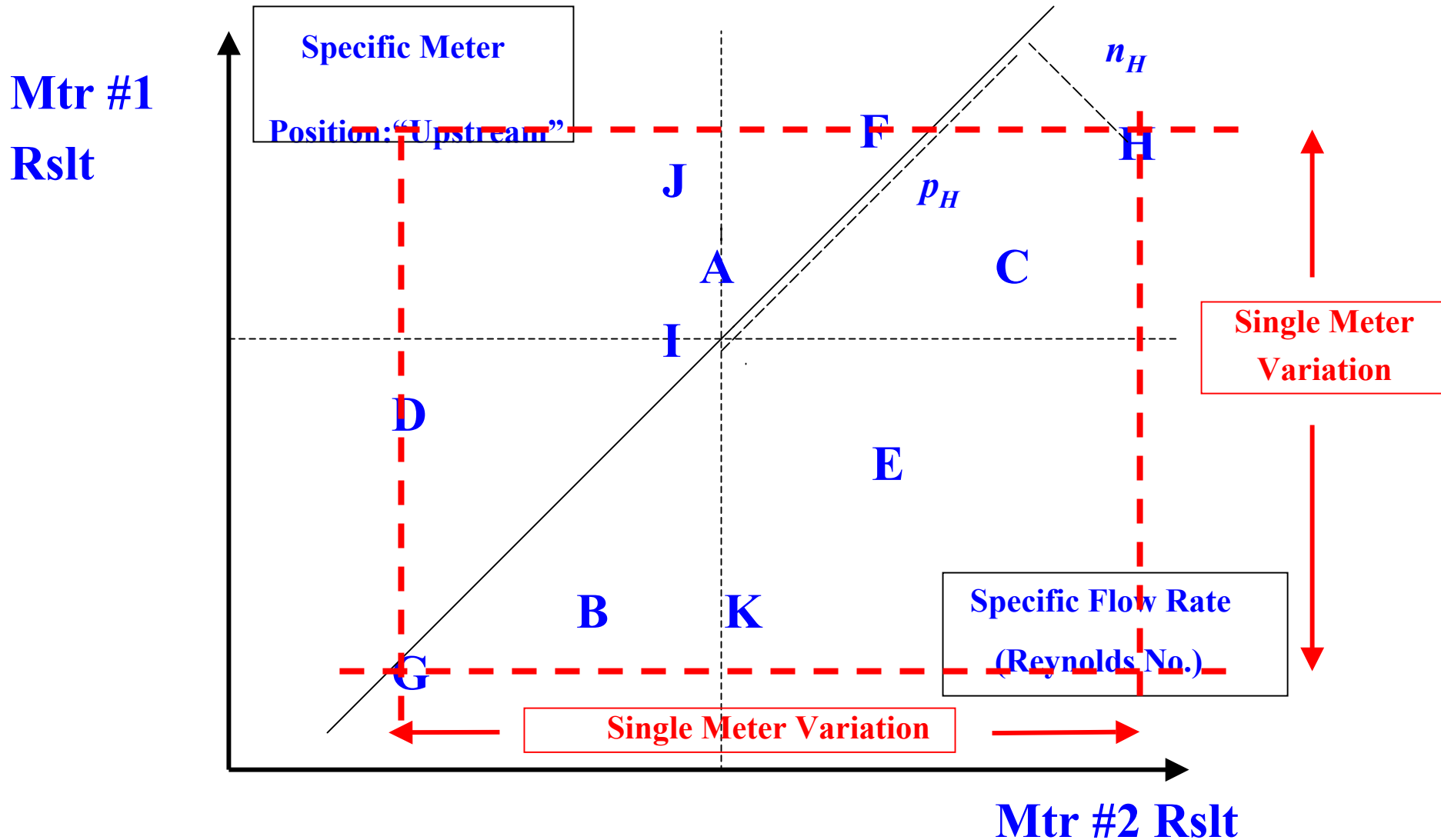
Final Phase: Pilot and Pivot Labs complete “after” tests to assure clone performance; Pilot analyses data and reports results.

“Ideal” CIPM KC Test Procedures:



Sketch of Proficiency Tests Using Tandem Meter Configurations

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Note: The Expanded uncertainty error bars for each lab are omitted for graphical clarity.

The median lines are drawn for "equally weighted" labs.

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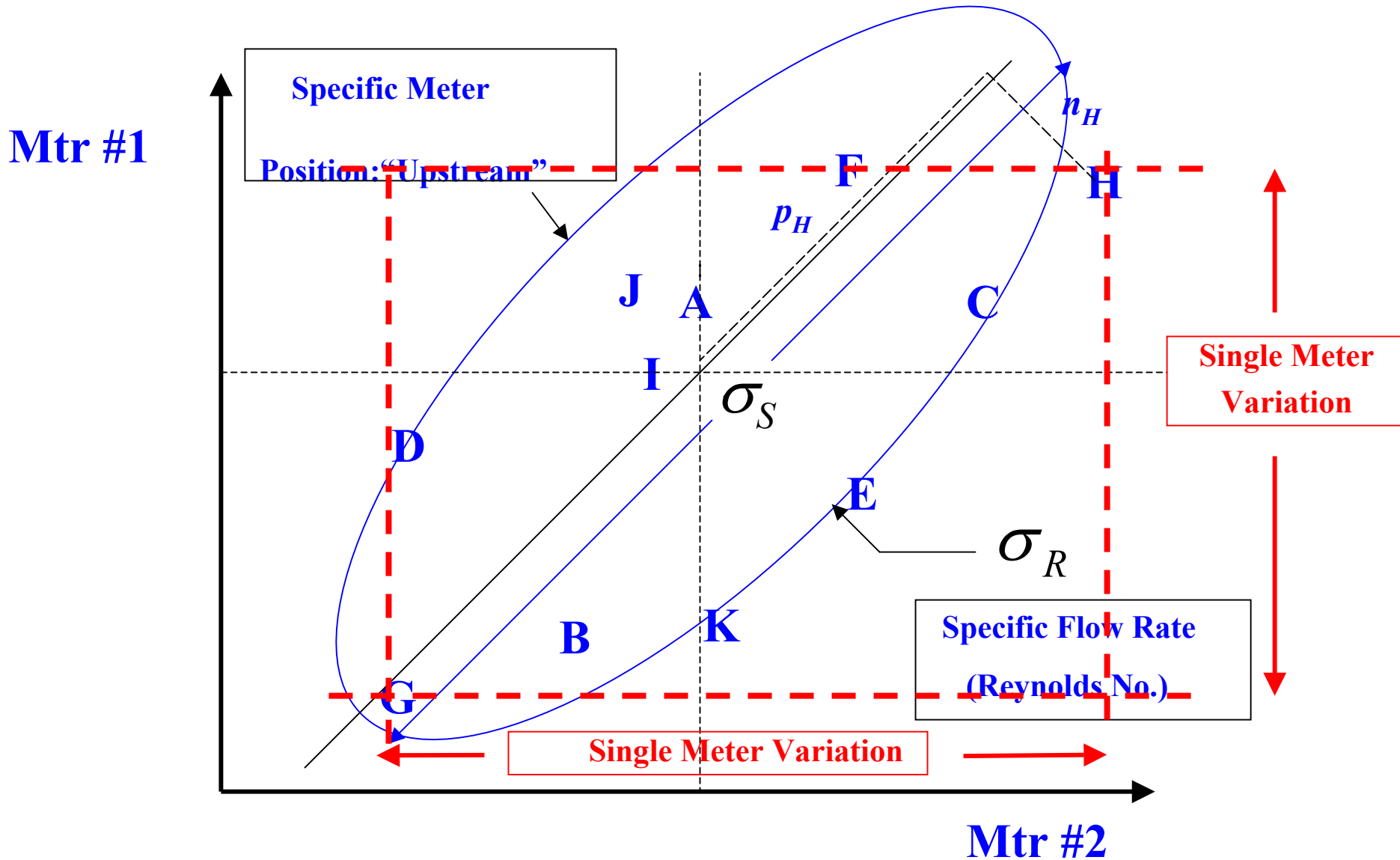
$$\sigma_s = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^m p_i^2$$

...where labs: A,...,I are as $i: 1, \dots, m$

$$\sigma_R = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^m n_i^2$$

$$\textit{Ellipticity/Circularity} = \frac{\sigma_s}{\sigma_R} \geq 1$$

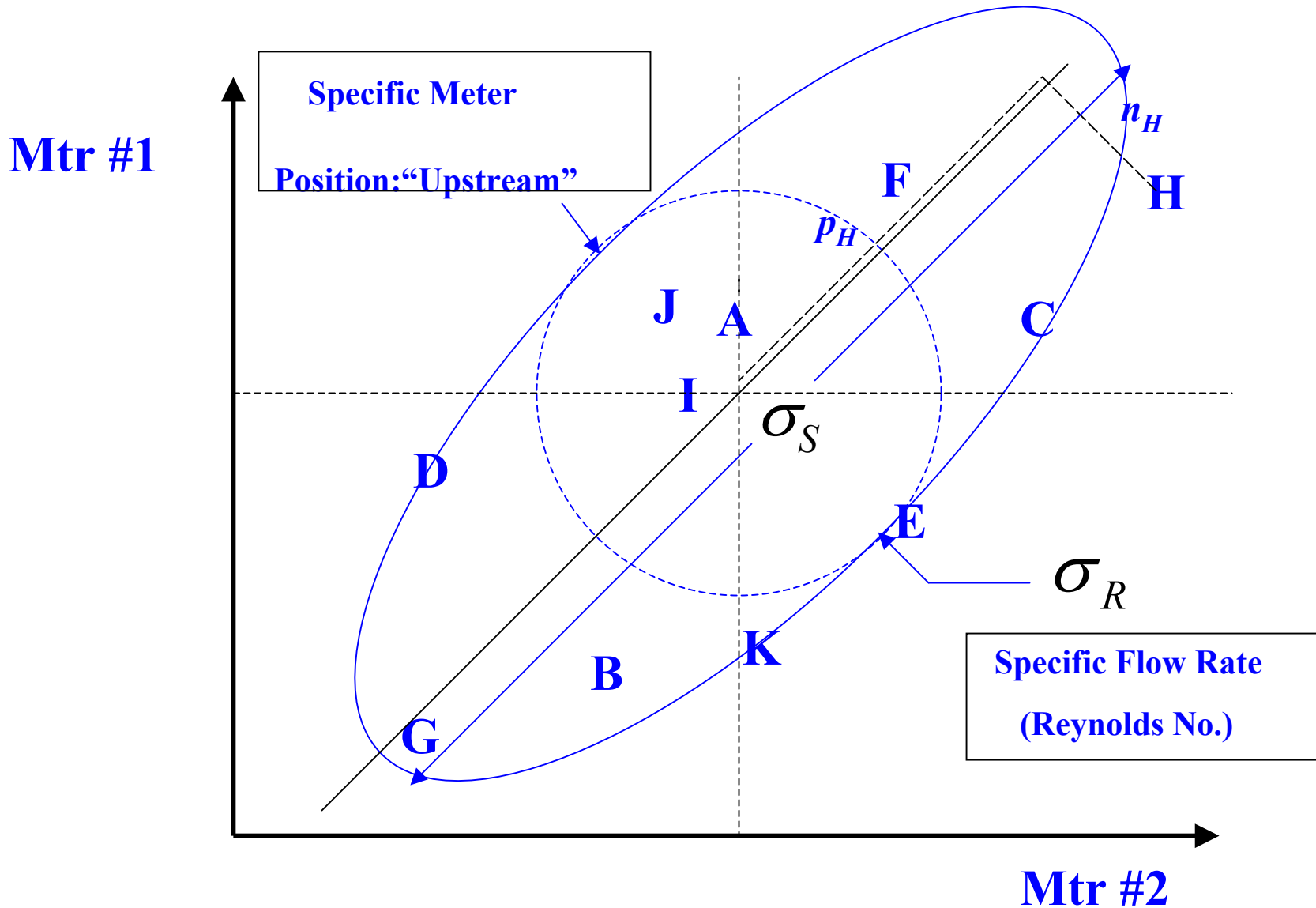
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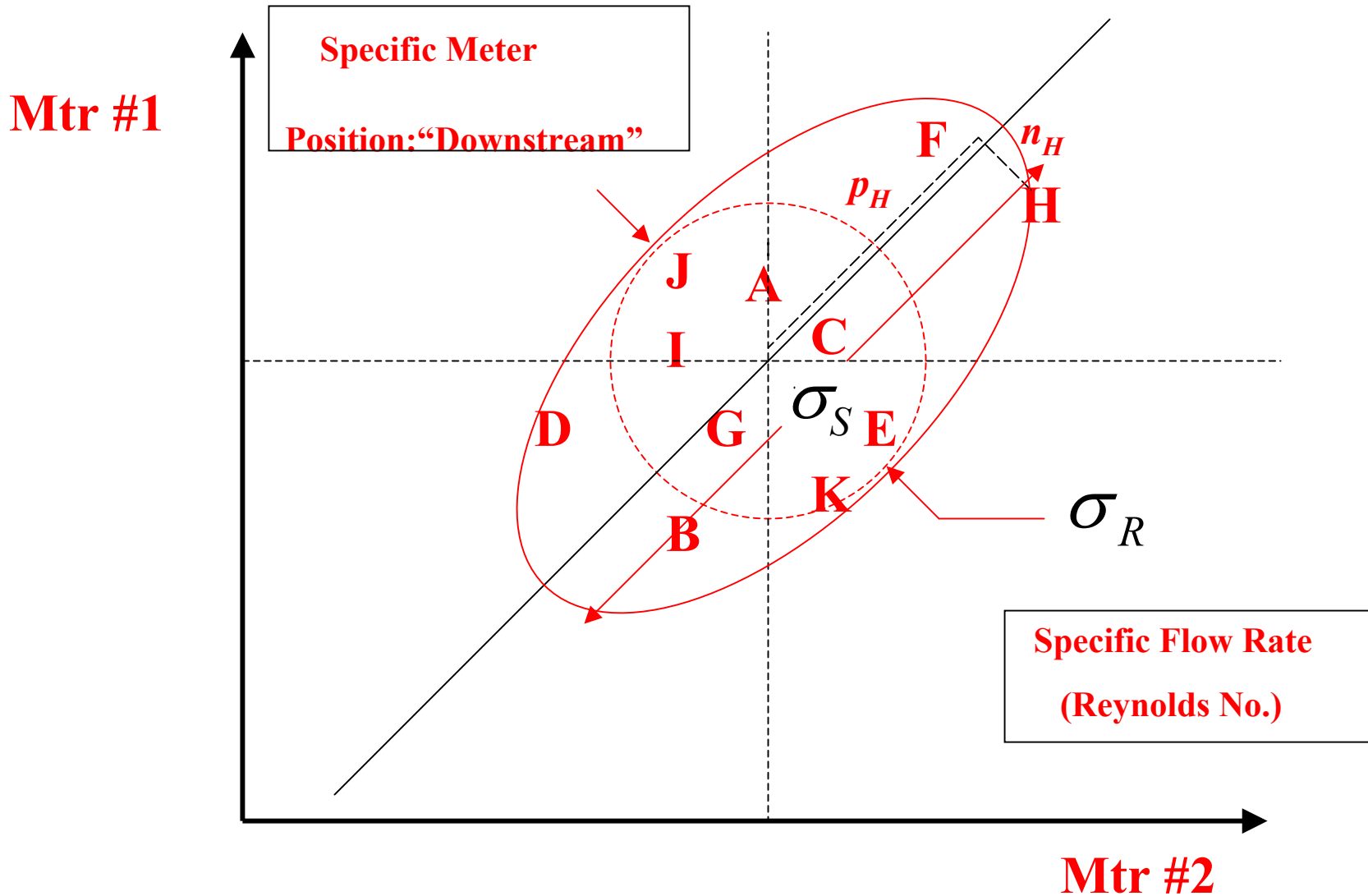
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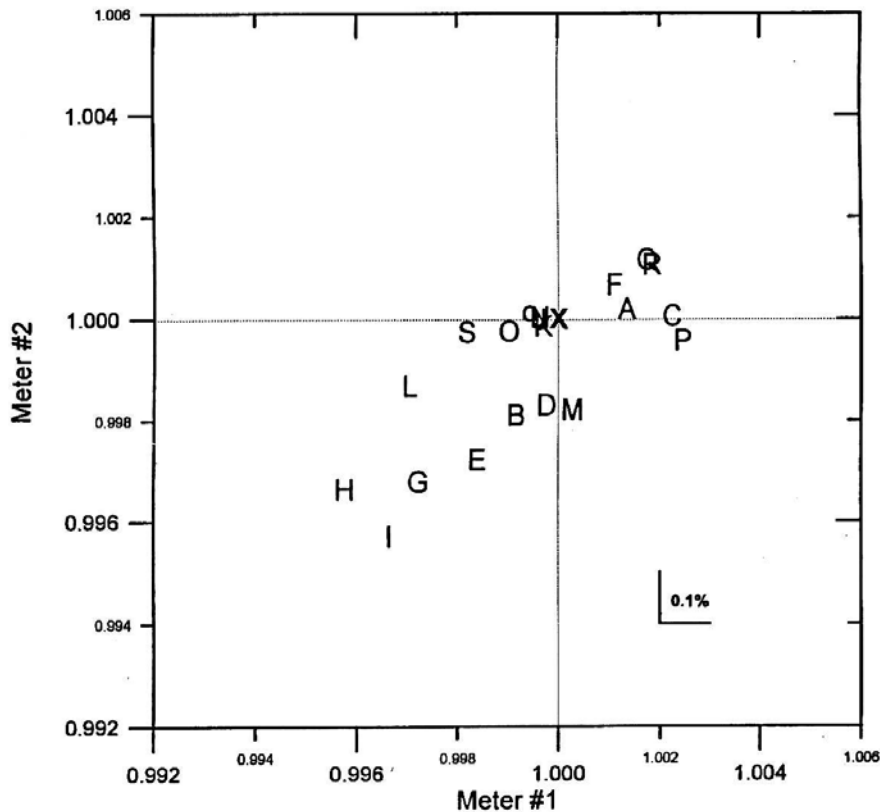
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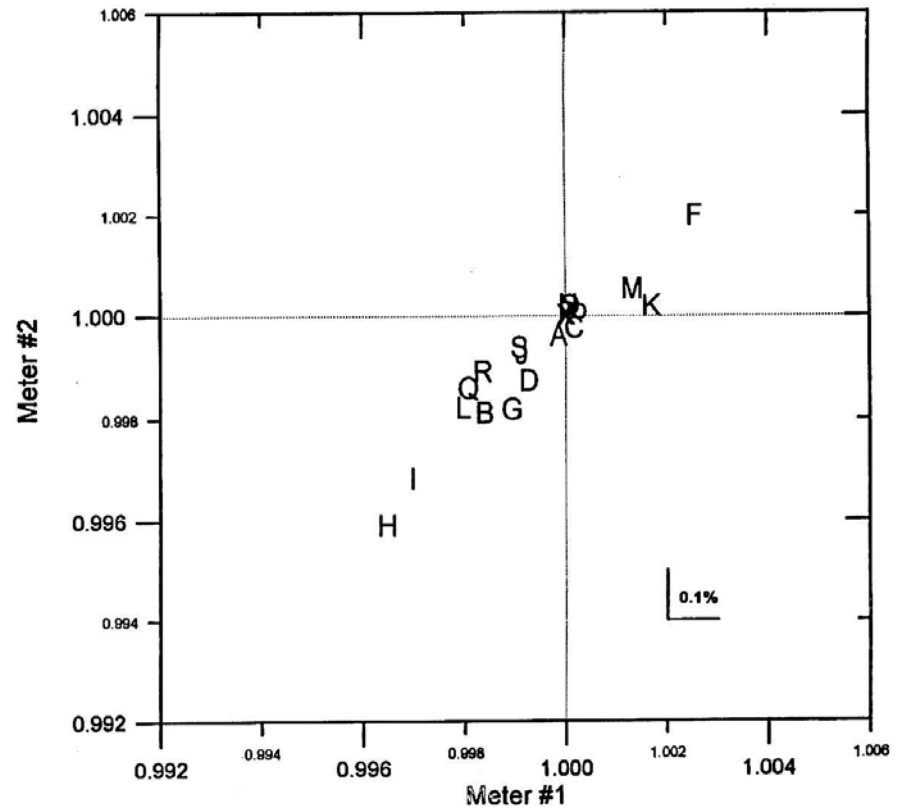


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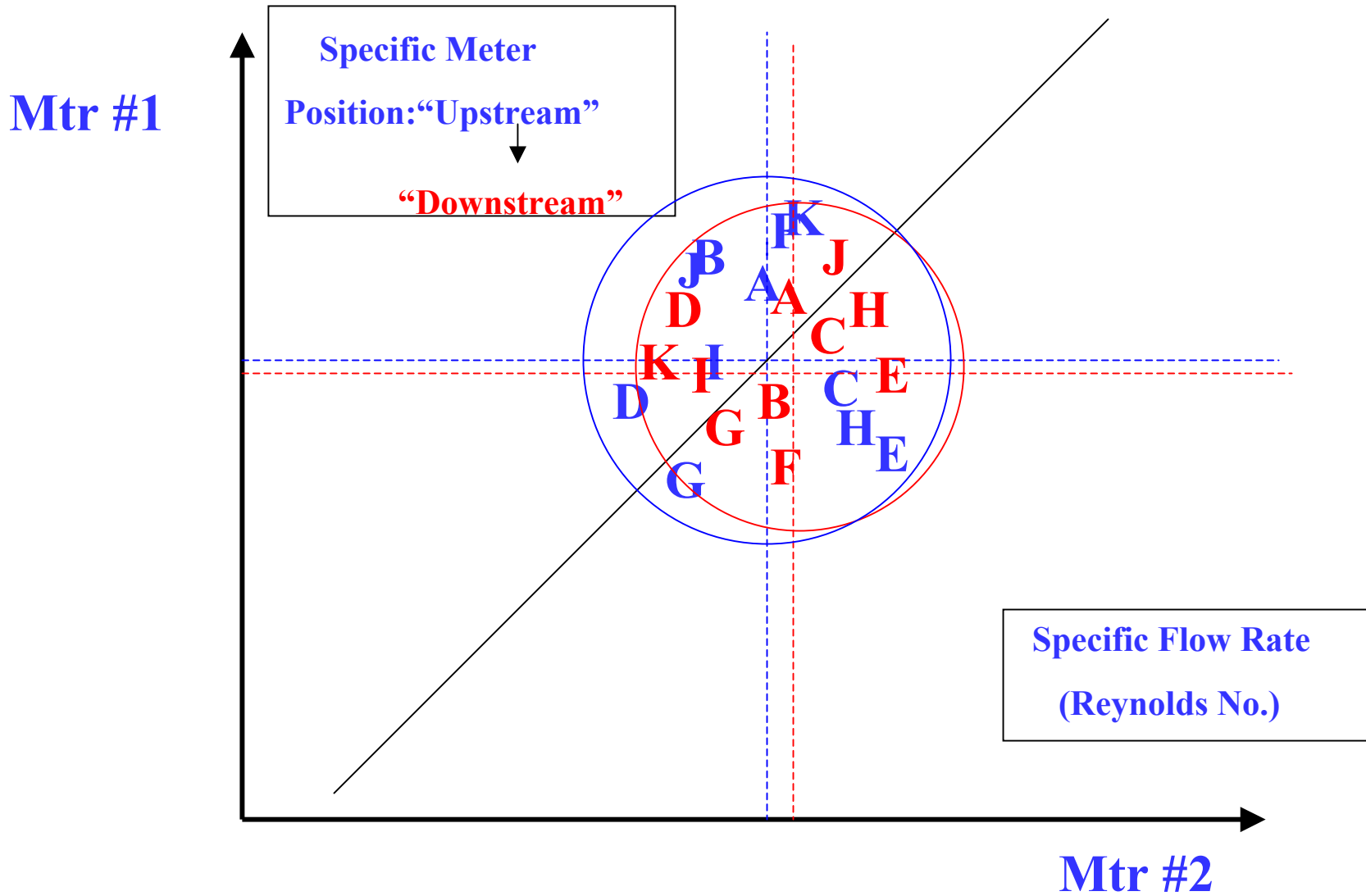
(a) Upstream Meters



(b) Downstream Meters

Round Robin Results for Turbine Meters Flowing Hydrocarbon Liquid for Reynolds Number of 2750: (a) Upstream Meters, and (b) Downstream Meters.

Desired Youden Results:

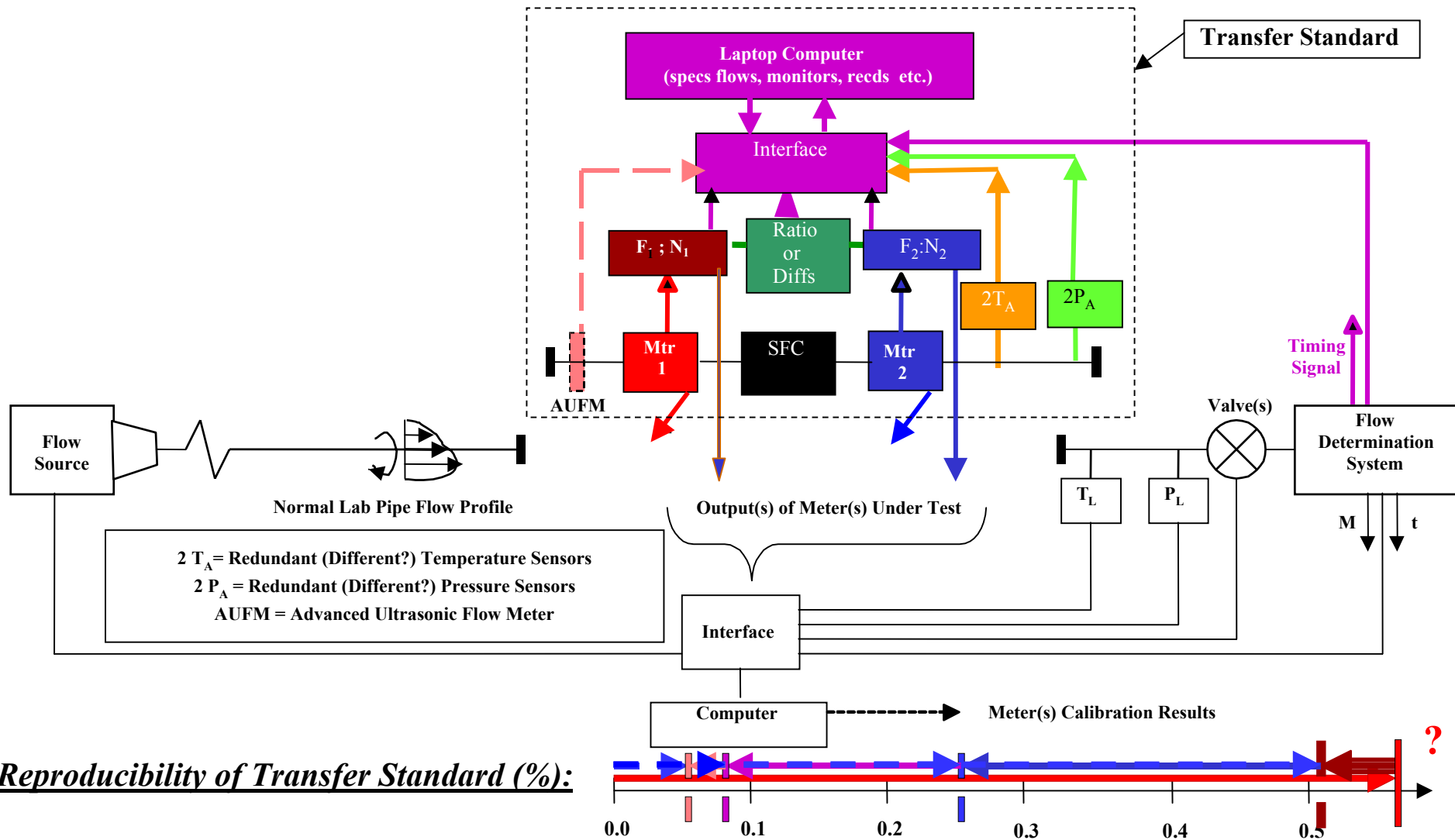


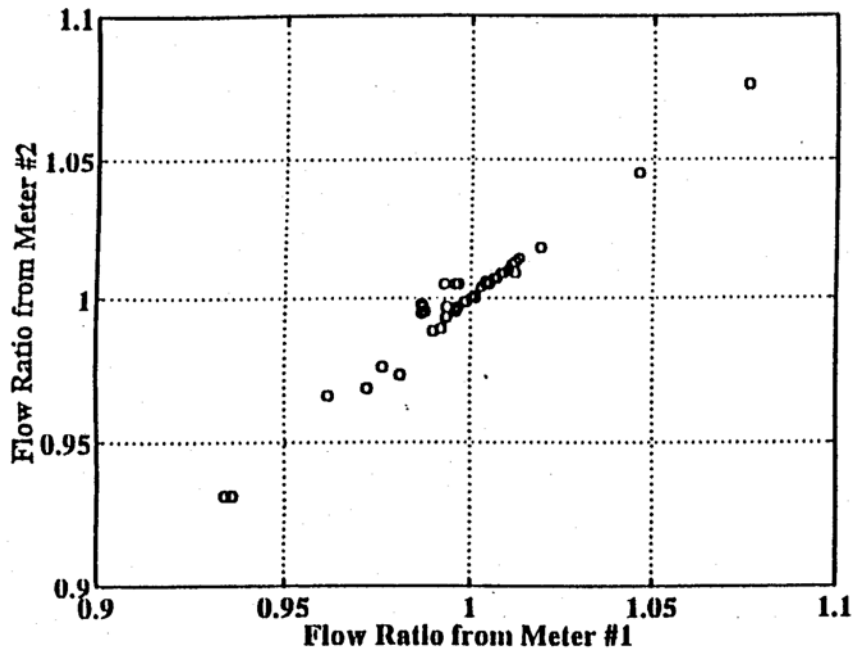
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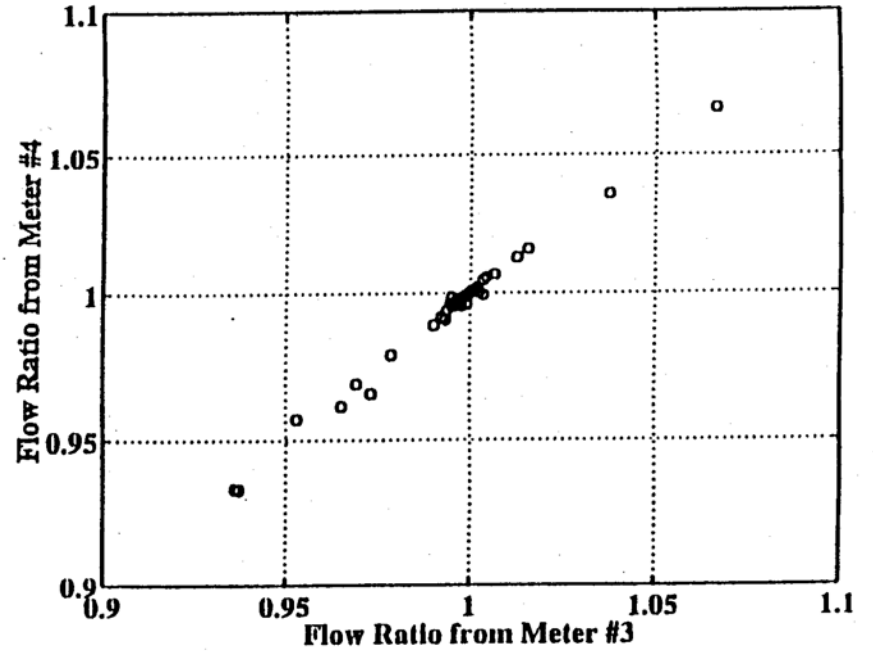
Fluid Flow Rate Measurement

Generic Design for WGFF Transfer Standards for WGFF Key Comparisons





(a) Upstream Nozzles

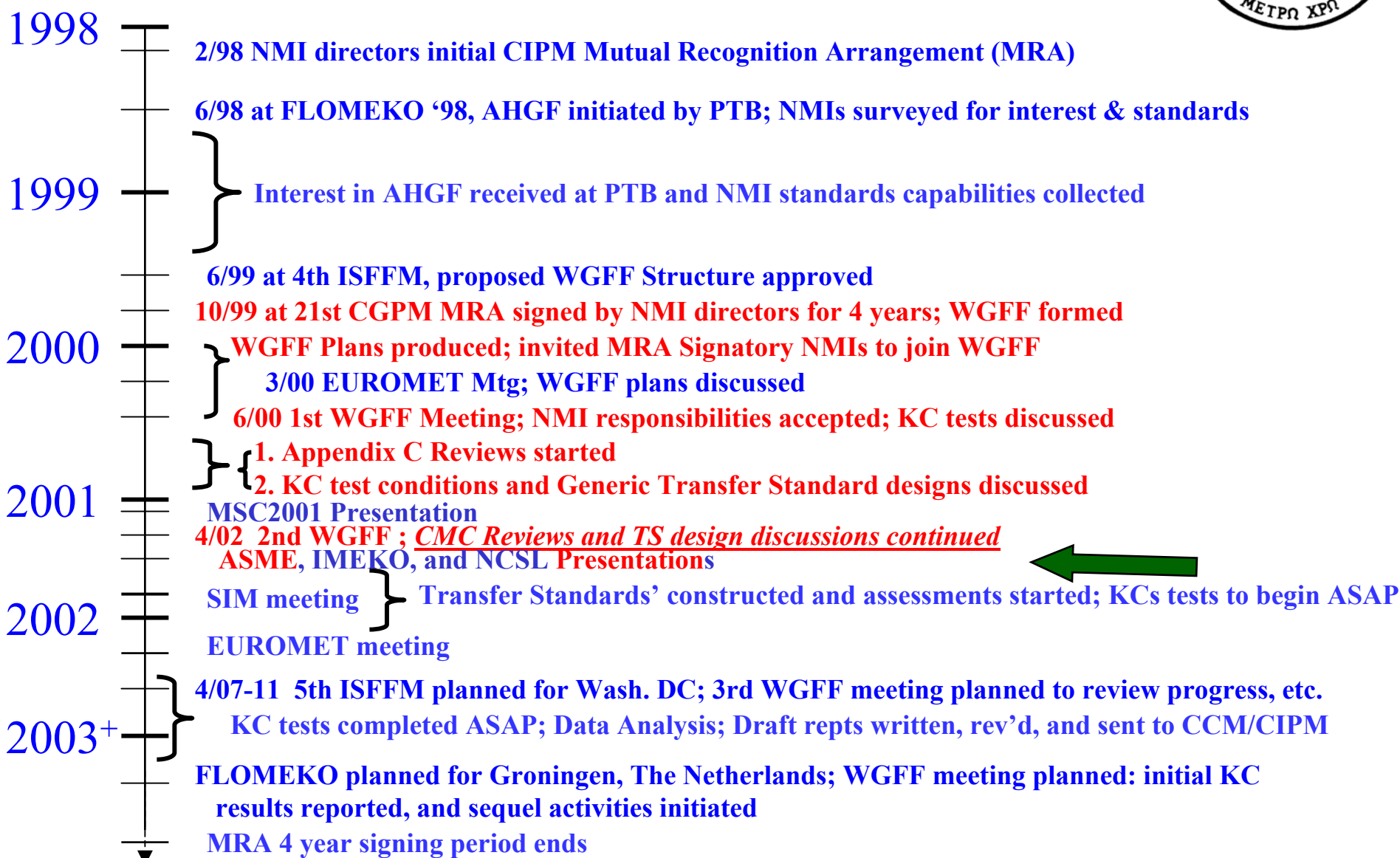


(b) Downstream Nozzles

Figure 7 Round Robin Results for Critical Nozzles Flowing Nitrogen for a Tube Reynolds Number of 300: (a) Upstream Nozzles, and (b) Downstream Nozzles.



WGFF History and Time-Line:





Conclusions:

- 1. Goals of MRA and WGFF are realistic,**
- 2. WGFF organization and plans can achieve metrological requirements for KCs,**
- 3. WGFF strategies should achieve objectives within temporal guidelines,**
- 4. KC Database should eliminate “measurement-based barriers” to international trade, and**
- 5. Subsequent tests can expand conditions and database, as needed.**