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Microwave transduction for gas sensing: 2005 to present



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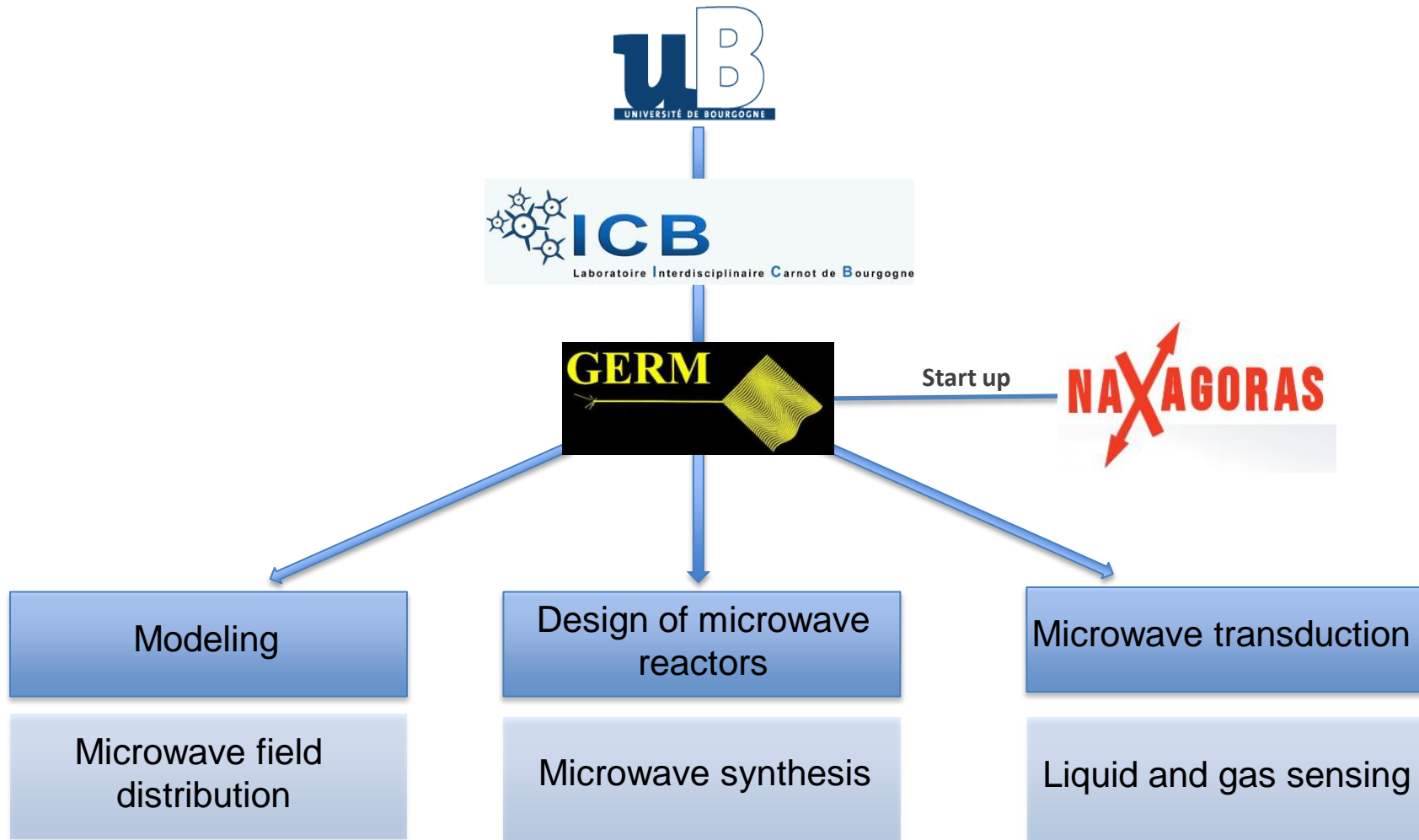




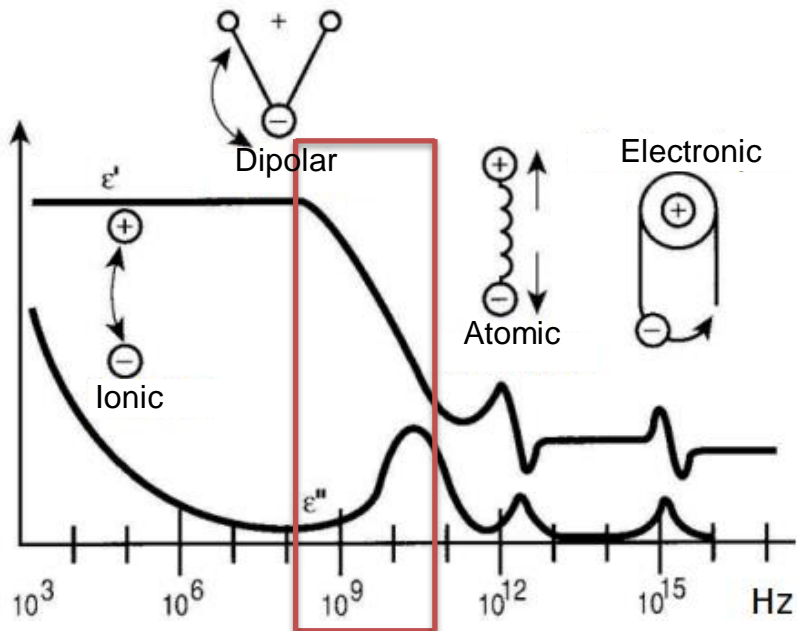
Summary

- I. GERM research activities**
- II. Microwave transduction principle**
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I. GERM research activities



II. Microwave transduction principle



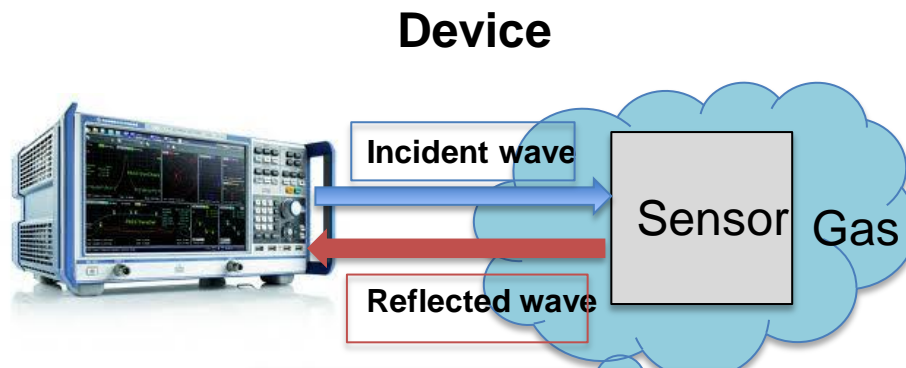
Micro waves

$$\epsilon = \epsilon' + j \epsilon''$$

$$\epsilon(\omega) = \epsilon_{\infty} + \frac{\epsilon_s - \epsilon_{\infty}}{1 + i\omega\tau} + \frac{\sigma}{i\omega\epsilon_0}$$



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$$\Gamma(f) = \frac{\text{Reflected wave}}{\text{Incident wave}}$$

$$\Gamma(f) = \text{Re} + j \text{Im}$$

For one frequency \rightarrow One $\Gamma(f)$

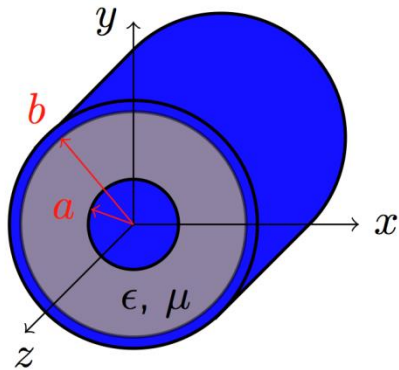
\hookrightarrow Two informations
(A unique couple of Re and Im)

VNA = 201 frequencies \rightarrow A signature

II. Microwave transmission lines

Coaxial line

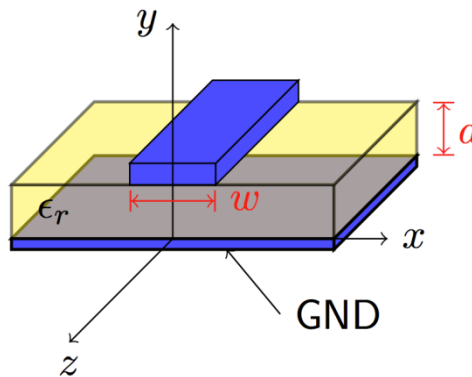
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Volumic measurement

Microstrip line

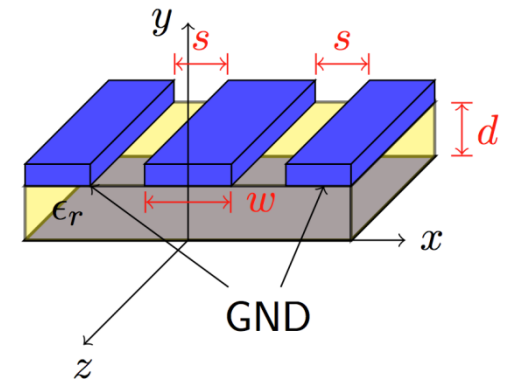
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Volumic and surfacic measurement

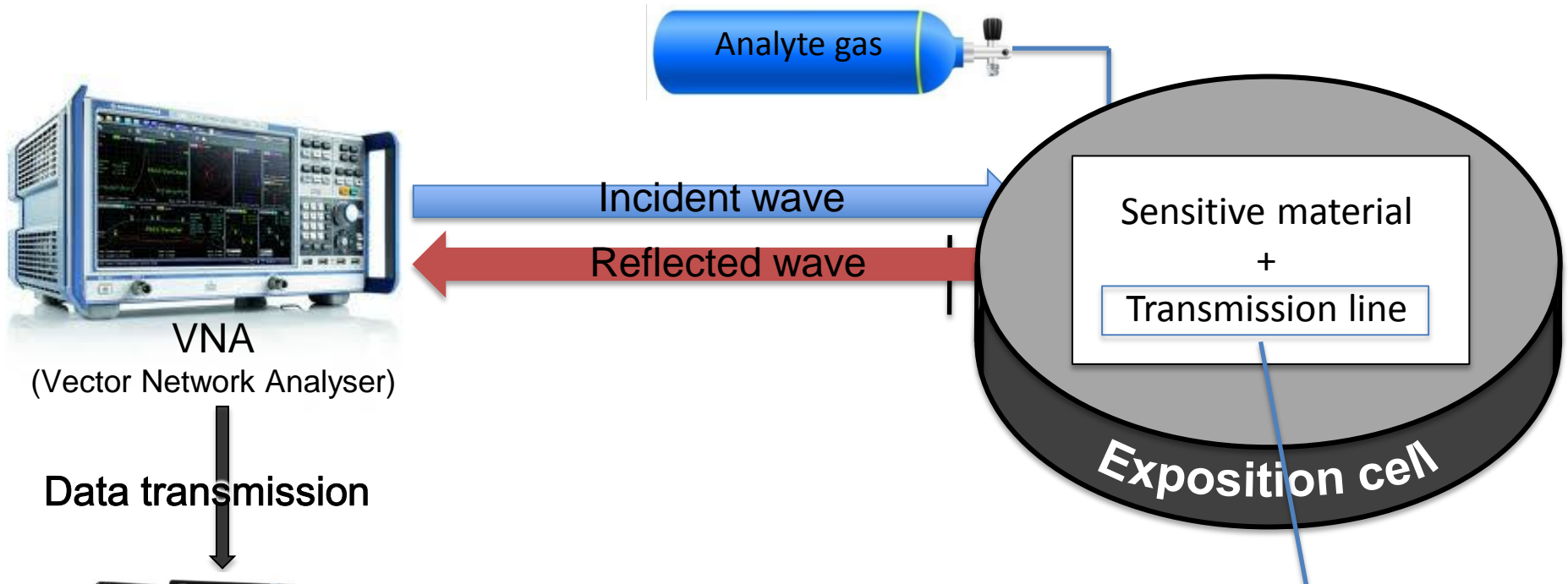
Coplanar line

2009-2012: Thesis G.Barochi
2012-20013: ANR CAPBTX



surfacic measurement

III. Microwave static measurement device



VNA
(Vector Network Analyser)

Data transmission



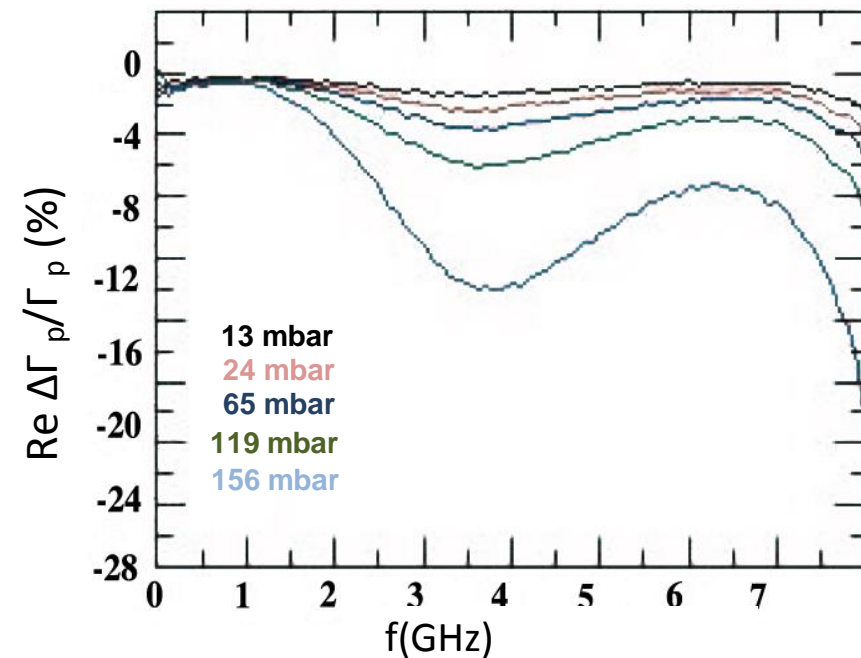
$$\frac{\Delta\Gamma}{\Gamma} = \frac{\Gamma_{gas} - \Gamma_{vacuum}}{\Gamma_{vacuum}}$$



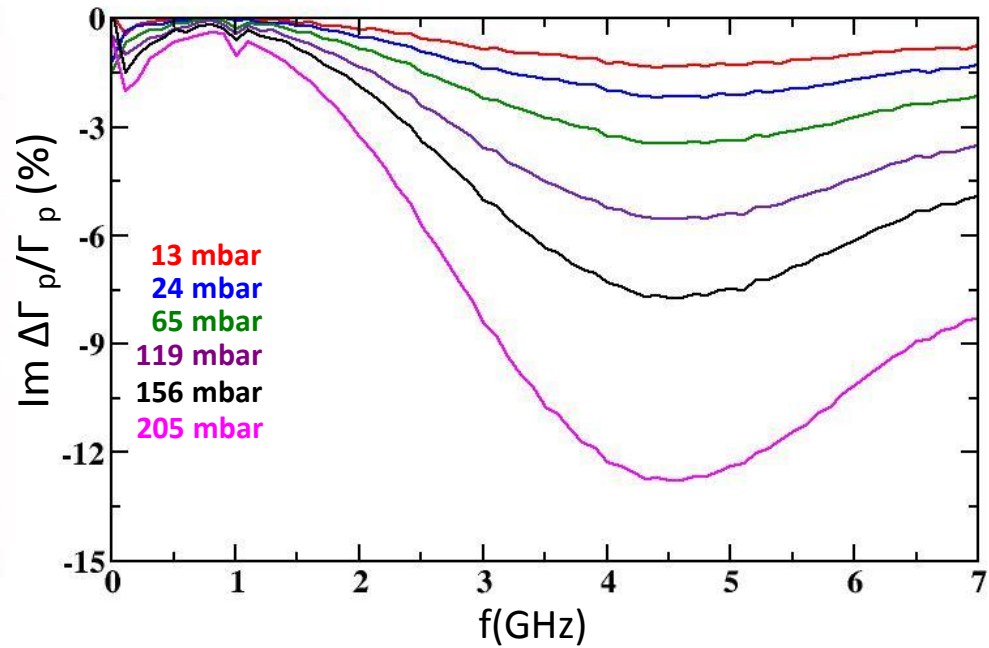
III. SnO₂/Methanol

Pressures of saturated methanol vapour

$\text{Re } \Delta\Gamma_p / \Gamma_p = f(f)$

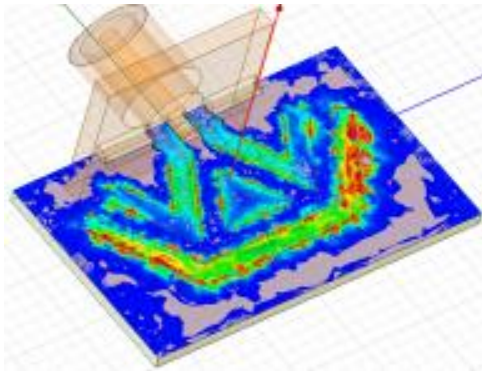


$\text{Im } \Delta\Gamma_p / \Gamma_p = f(f)$



III. Coplanar transmission line

2009-Now



Coplanar design by HFSS[®]

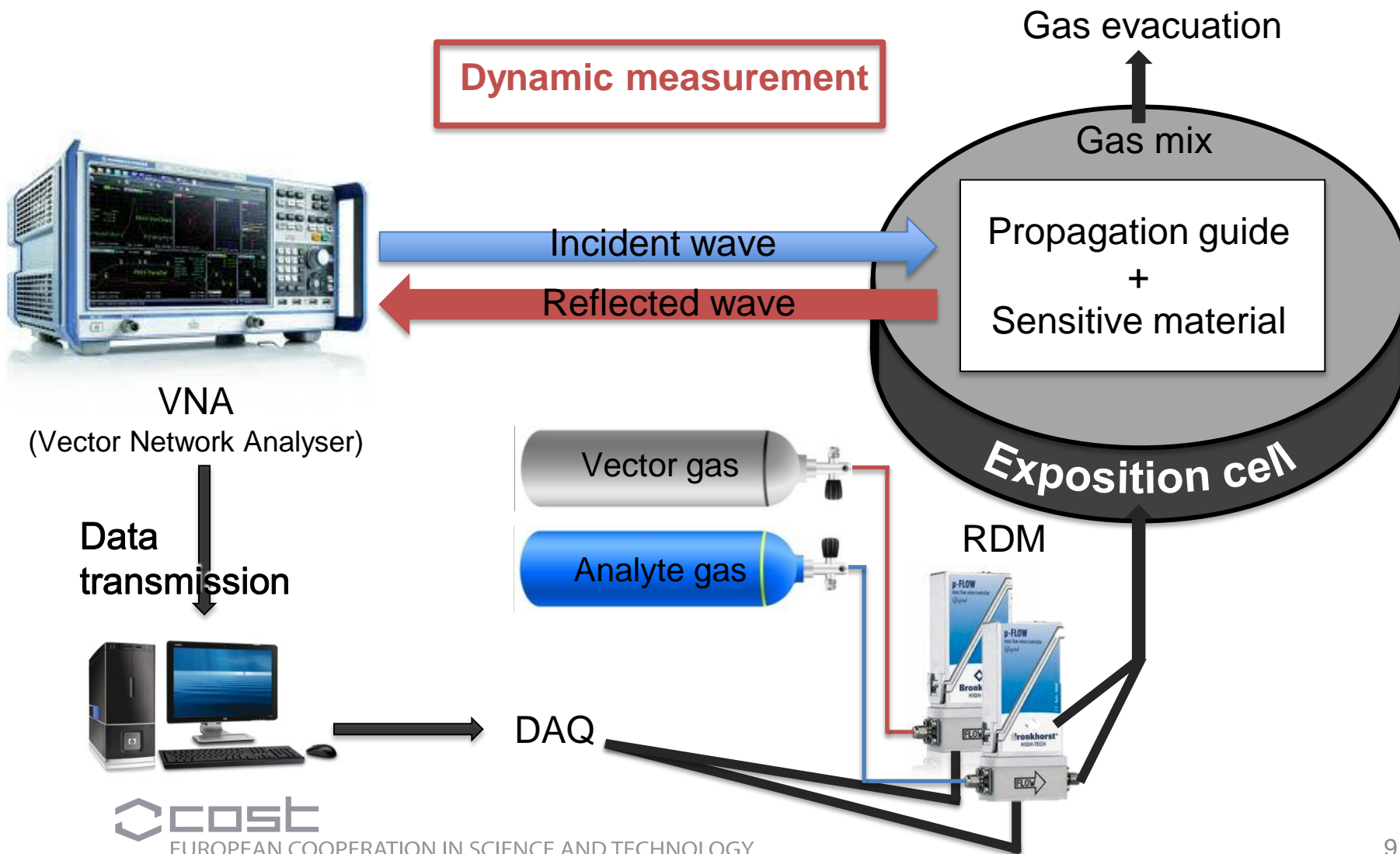
Coplanar wave guide

- Coating:
- Spin coating
 - Deep coating
 - Thermal evaporation
 - Physical Vapor deposition

- Easy to produce
- Reproducible
- Wide possibilities for coatings

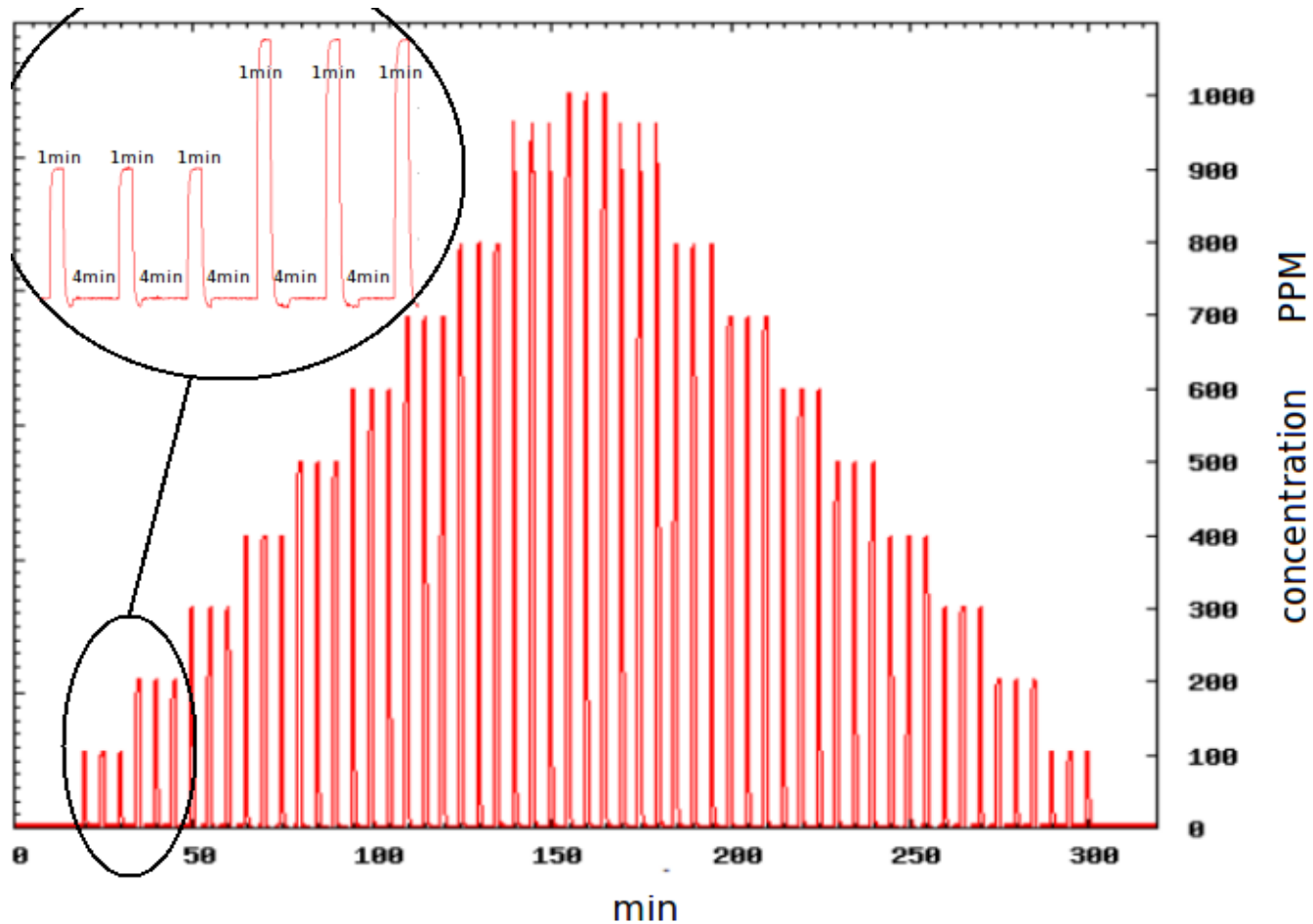
III. Microwaves measurement device

Dynamic measurement



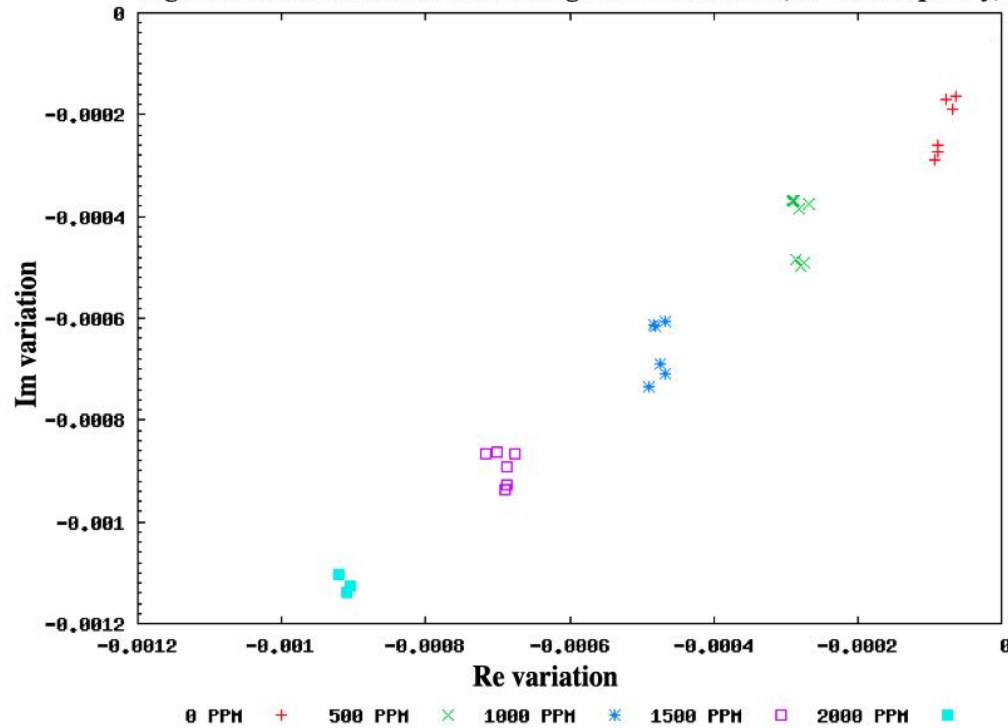
III. Exposition protocol

Example of an exposition cycle



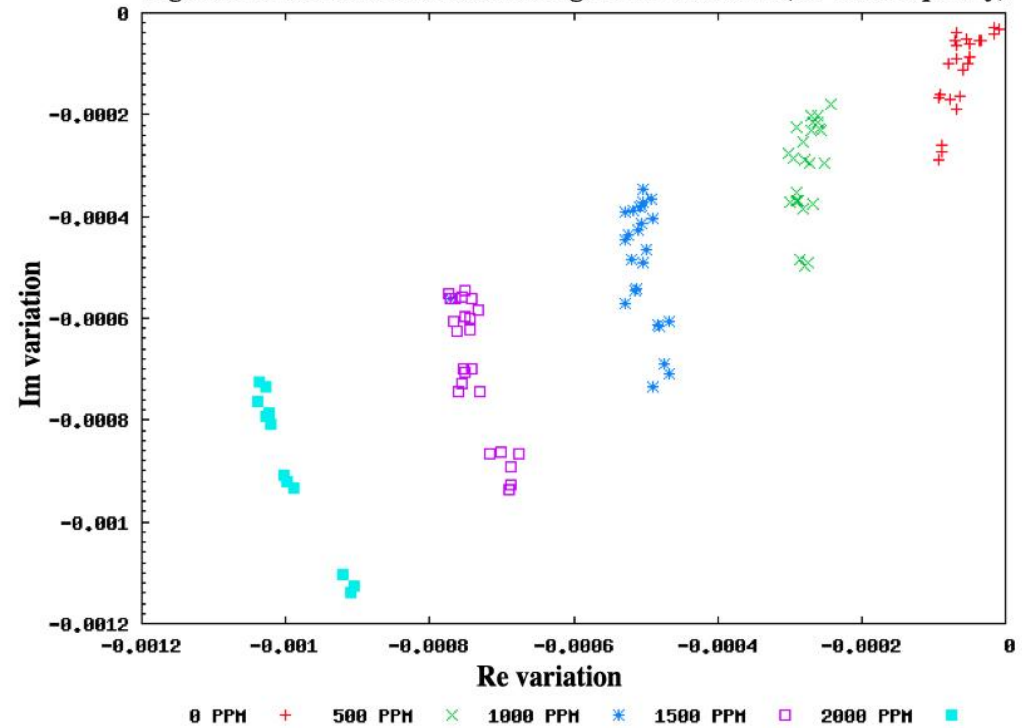
III. PcCo / Toluene

Signal evolution as a function of the gas concentration (for one frequency)



1 cycle

Signal evolution as a function of the gas concentration (for one frequency)



3 cycles

IV. Conclusions and perspectives

- Quantitative measurement
 - Ambient temperature
 - Low cost sensor production
 - Wide variety of coating protocols
 - Use of conductive and non conductive sensitive materials
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- Interaction modeling
 - Humidity effect
 - Test with various sensible materials