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**Case Study: Measurement protocols for  
optically active pigmented coatings  
– luminance ratio**

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# U.S. DOD Corrosion Control



- U.S. Dept. of Defense cost of corrosion control \$20B/yr
- U.S. Navy corrosion control costs \$2.4B/yr
- Preservation of tanks #1 Fleet maintenance cost

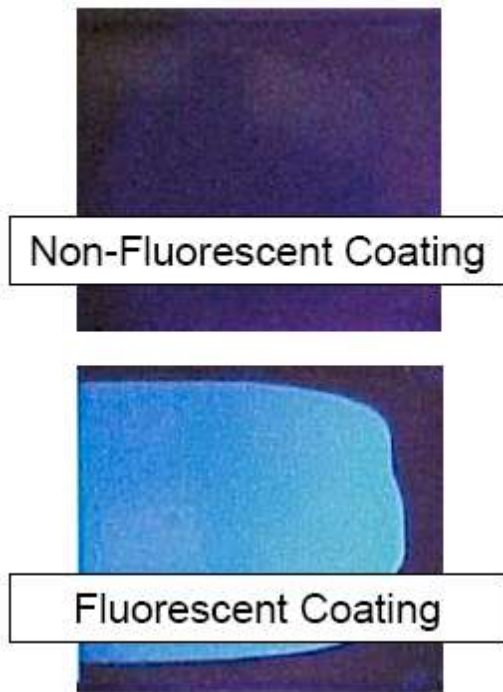


## Potential 20 year tank coatings

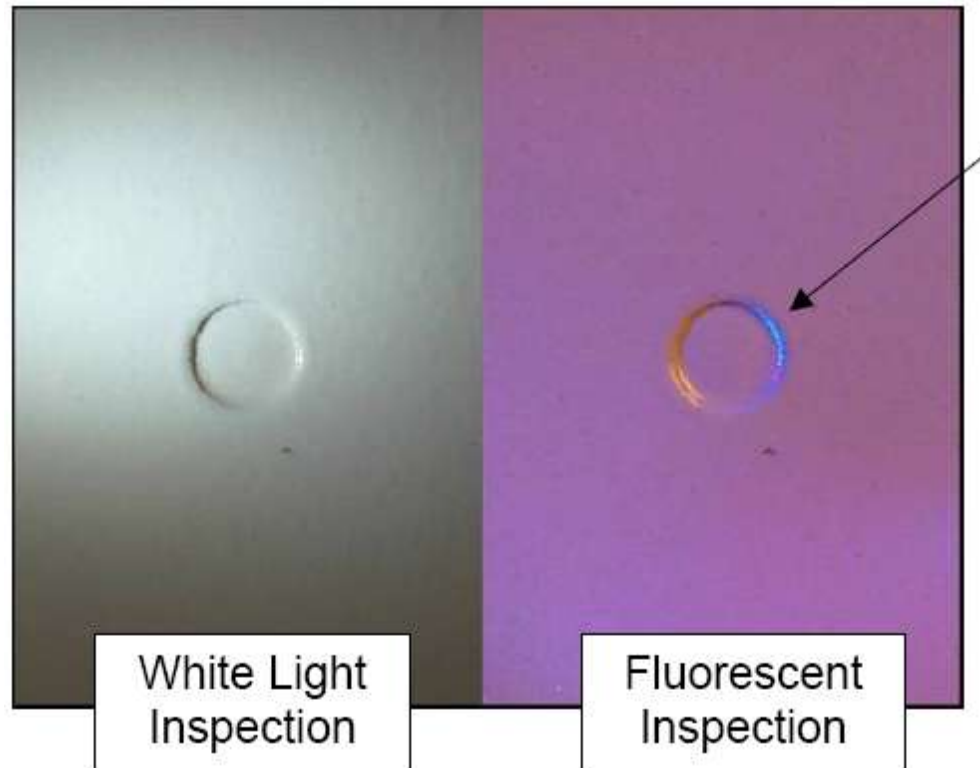
- Holiday free application

- Rigorous QA/QC required

# Enhanced Visual Inspection with Fluorescent Coatings



- Simple coating change to enhance defect contrast
- Add fluorescent pigment
  - Illuminate with Deep Blue light
  - Emit intense color

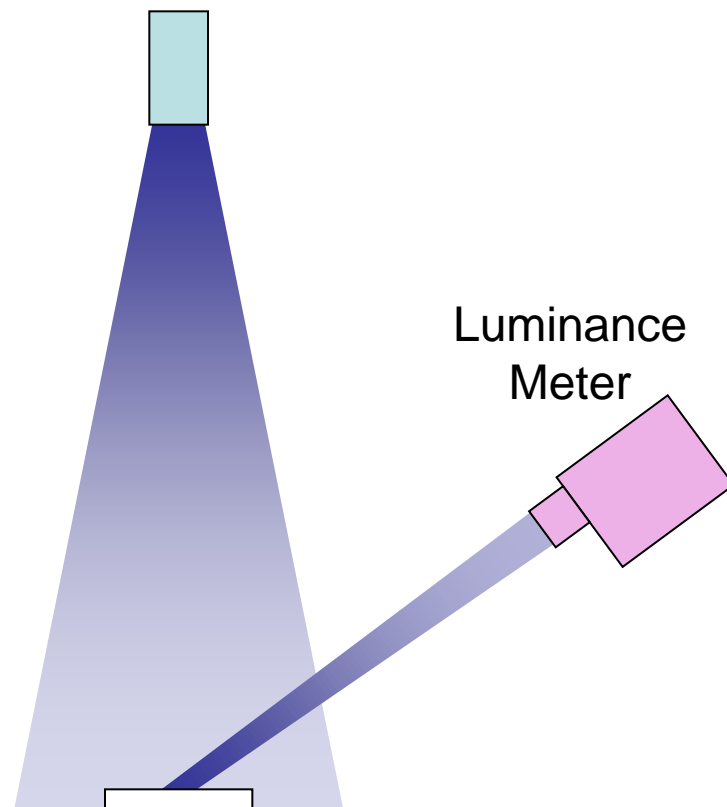


# Measurement Equation

$$R_L^B = \frac{L^B}{L_P^B}$$

Luminance ratio = luminance of the sample divided by the luminance of a 25 % reflecting Lambertian diffuser under a given deep blue illuminant

Deep Blue Source



Calibrated reference plaque (non-fluorescent) or Test sample (fluorescent)

# Measurement Equations

$$L^B = \frac{S - S_d \cdot F}{r} \quad \frac{V}{V/(cd/m^2)} = cd/m^2$$

Sample Luminance = luminance meter signal divided by responsivity of the luminance meter for the spectrum of light emitted from the sample, which is different than the deep blue illuminant

$$L_P^B = \frac{S_P - S_d \cdot F_P}{r} \cdot \frac{0.25}{\rho^B} \quad \frac{V}{V/(cd/m^2)} = cd/m^2$$

Reference Luminance = luminance meter signal divided by responsivity of the luminance meter for the deep blue illuminant multiplied by the 25 % reflecting Lambertian diffuser divided by the calibrated reflectance of the standard under the deep blue illuminant

# Uncertainty Components

$$R_L^B = \frac{\frac{s - s_d}{r} \cdot F}{\frac{s_P - s_{P,d}}{r} \cdot F_P \cdot 0.25} \rightarrow \frac{s - s_d}{s_P - s_{P,d}} \cdot \frac{F}{F_P} \cdot \frac{\rho^B}{0.25} \cdot C_f$$

- $s_P$  – reference signal
- $s_{P,d}$  – reference dark signal
- $s$  – sample signal
- $s_d$  – sample dark signal
- $F_P$  – spectral mismatch correction of reference signal
- $F$  – spectral mismatch correction of sample signal
- $\rho^B$  – luminance reflectance of calibrated reference standard

# Uncertainty Components

$$R_L^B = \frac{S - S_d}{S_P - S_{P,d}} \cdot \frac{F}{F_P} \cdot \frac{\rho^B}{0.25} \cdot C_f$$

- $\lambda_B$  – wavelength dependence
- $\Delta\lambda_B$  – illumination bandwidth dependence
- $\lambda_S$  – spectral out-of-band light (fluorescence from source)
- $S$  – out-of-band stray light (inside detector)
- $L$  – linearity of the detector
- $O$  – Out-of-field sensitivity of the luminance meter
- $c_s$  – voltmeter calibration
- $\phi_P$  – incident angle of light on reference
- $\phi$  – incident angle of light on sample
- $\theta_P$  – viewing angle of light from reference
- $\theta$  – viewing angle of light from sample

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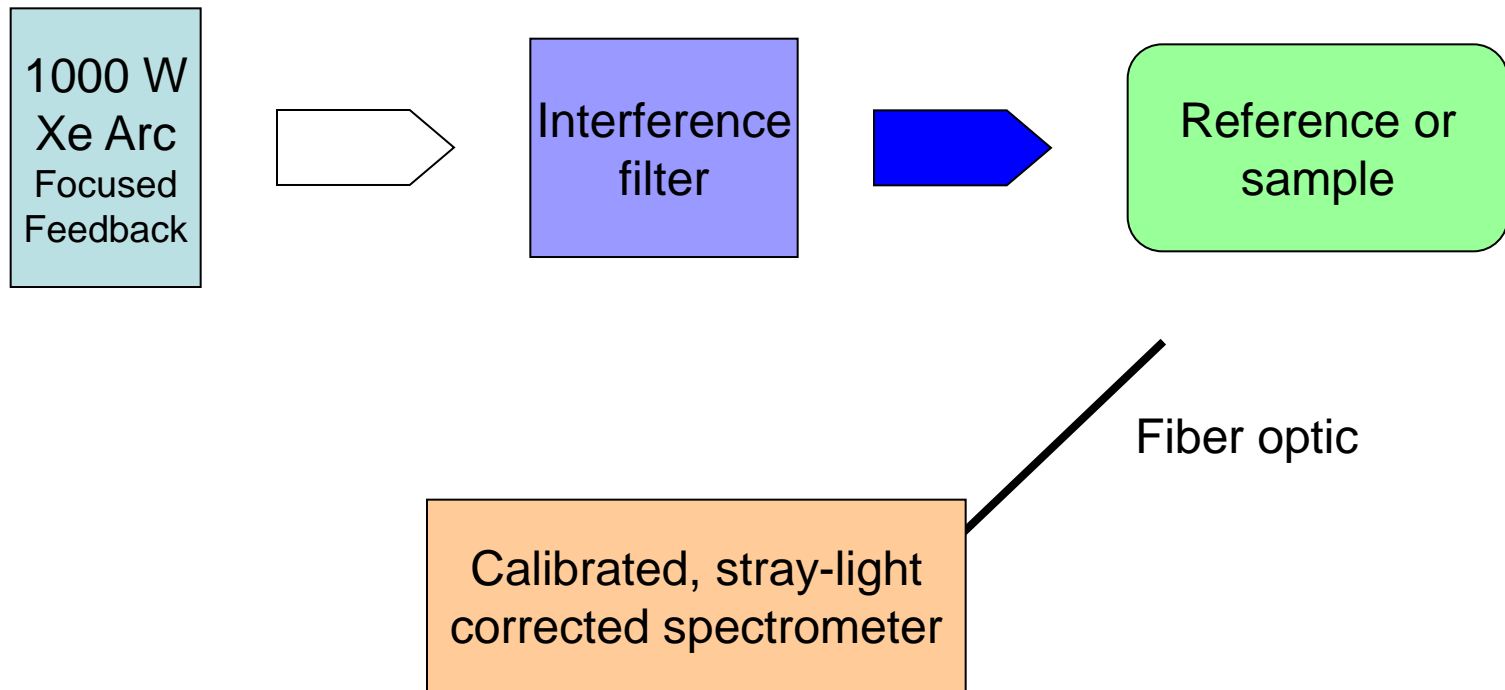
$$R_L^B = \frac{S - S_d}{S_P - S_{P,d}} \cdot \frac{F}{F_P} \cdot \frac{\rho^B}{0.25} \cdot C_f$$

- $U_L$  – uniformity of the light source
- $U_P$  – uniformity of the reference material
- $U$  – uniformity of the sample material
- $U_r$  – uniformity of the detector responsivity
- $T_P$  – temperature dependence of the reference material
- $T$  – temperature dependence of the sample material
- $T_r$  – temperature dependence of the luminance meter responsivity
- $P_P$  – polarization dependencies of the reference material
- $P$  – polarization dependencies of the sample material
- $P_r$  – polarization dependencies of the luminance meter
- $I$  – deviation from the inverse square law



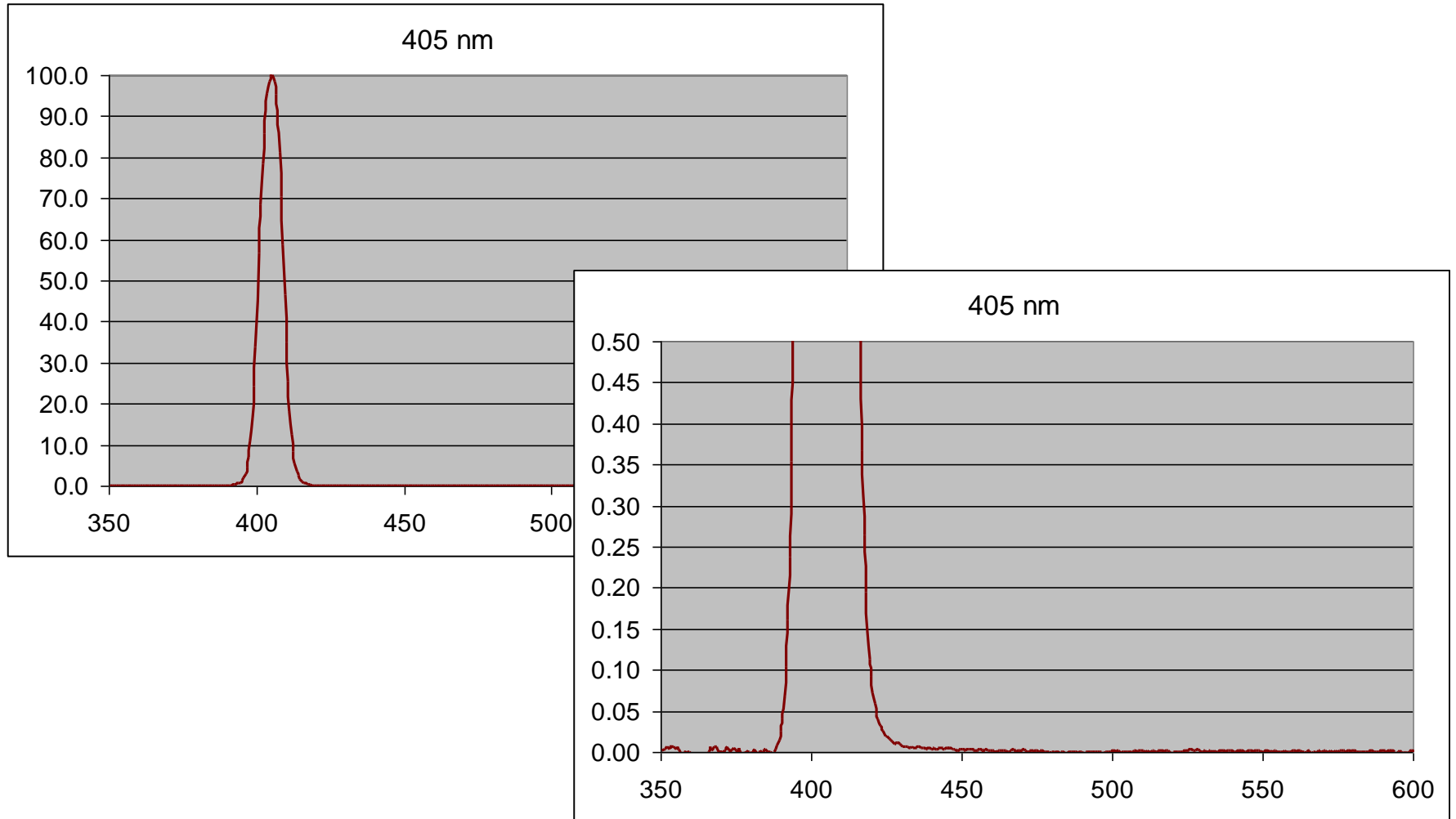
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Goal: Determine sensitivity coefficient between excitation wavelength and  $R_L^B$



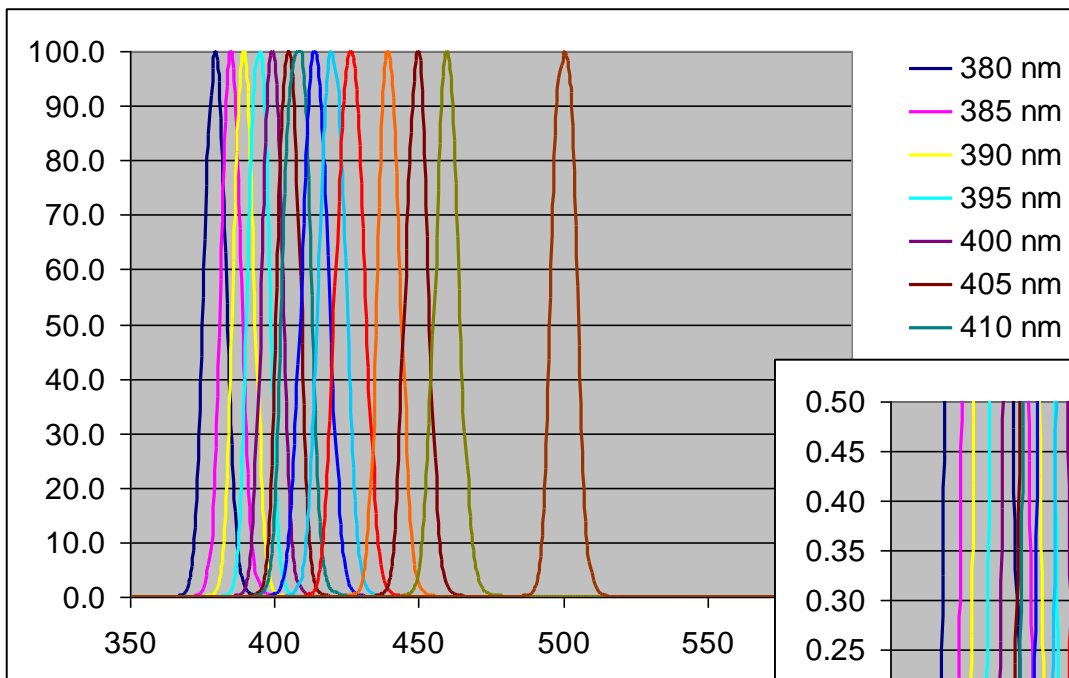
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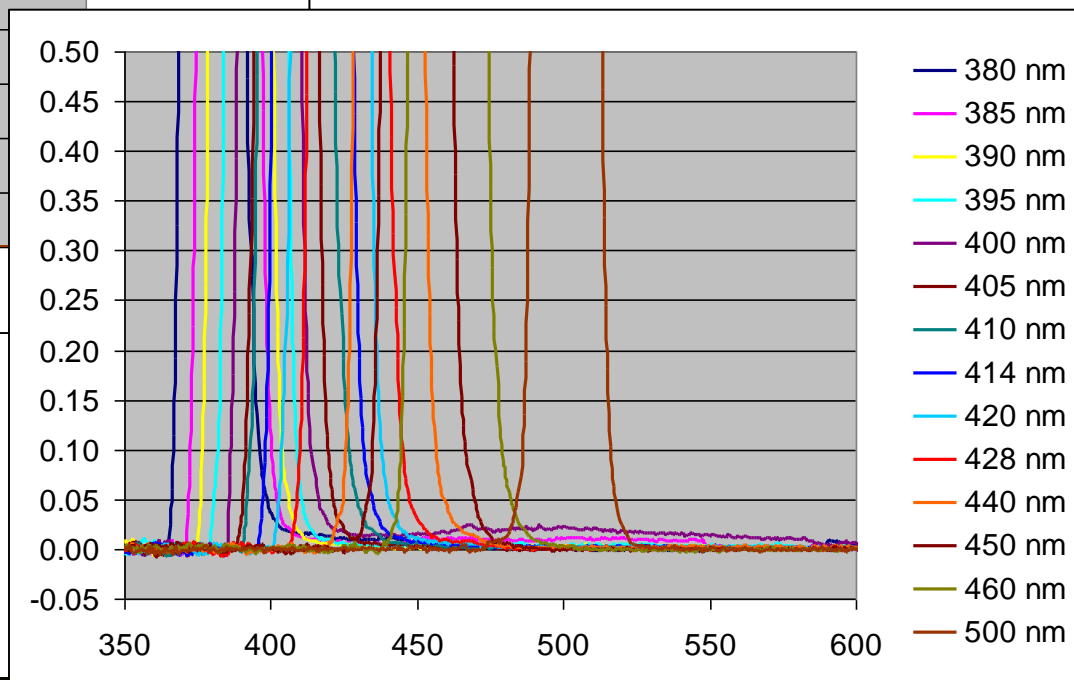
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E2501-07	% < 450 nm
390 nm – 100 %	410 nm – 100 %
395 nm – 100 %	414 nm – 100 %
400 nm – 100 %	420 nm – 100 %
405 nm – 100 %	

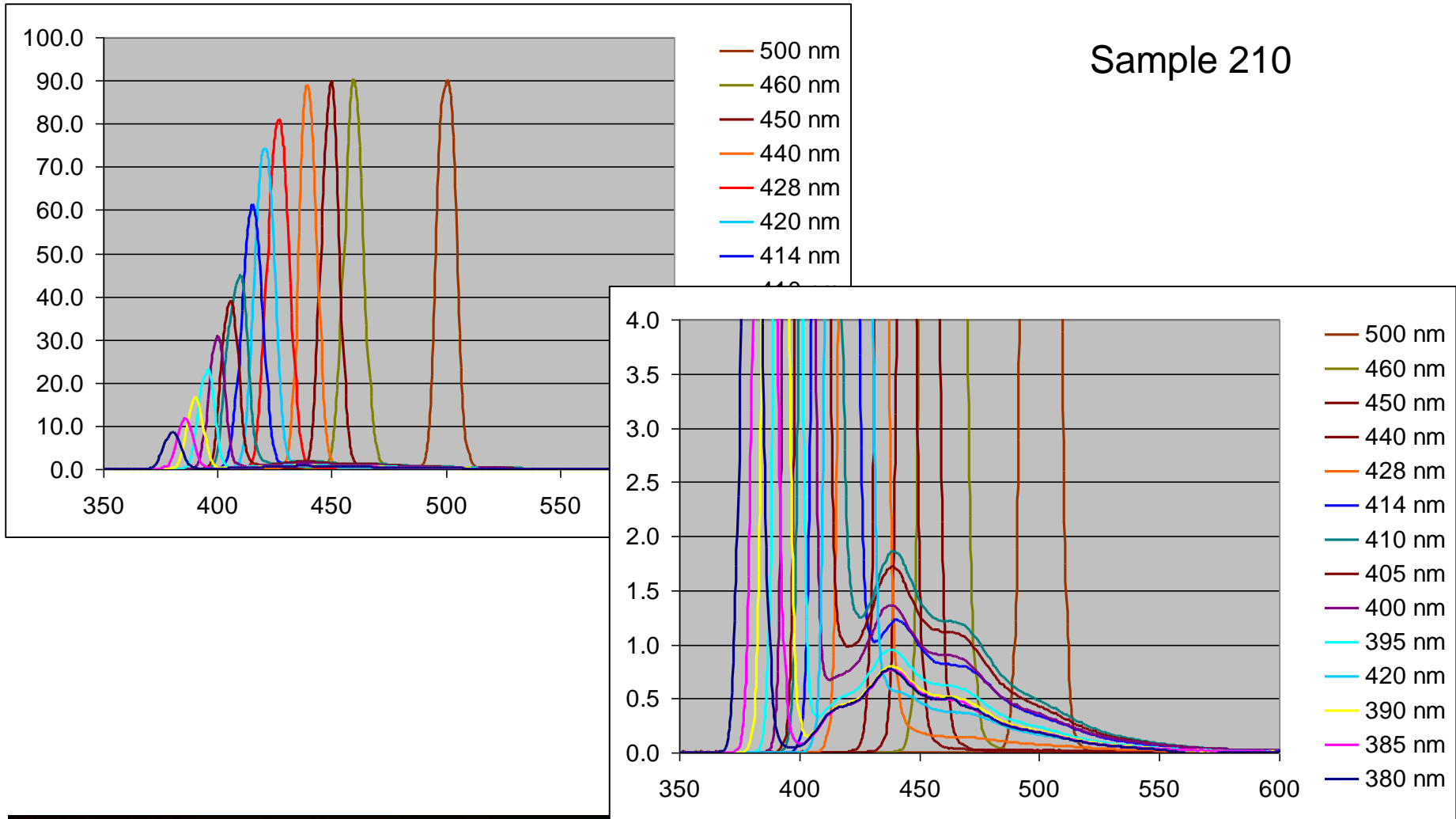
% Visible	Excitation Wavelength (nm)	Response (%)
	405 nm	0.02 %
	410 nm	0.02 %
	414 nm	0.05 %
	420 nm	0.10 %
390 nm		0.04 %
395 nm		0.06 %
400 nm		0.28 %



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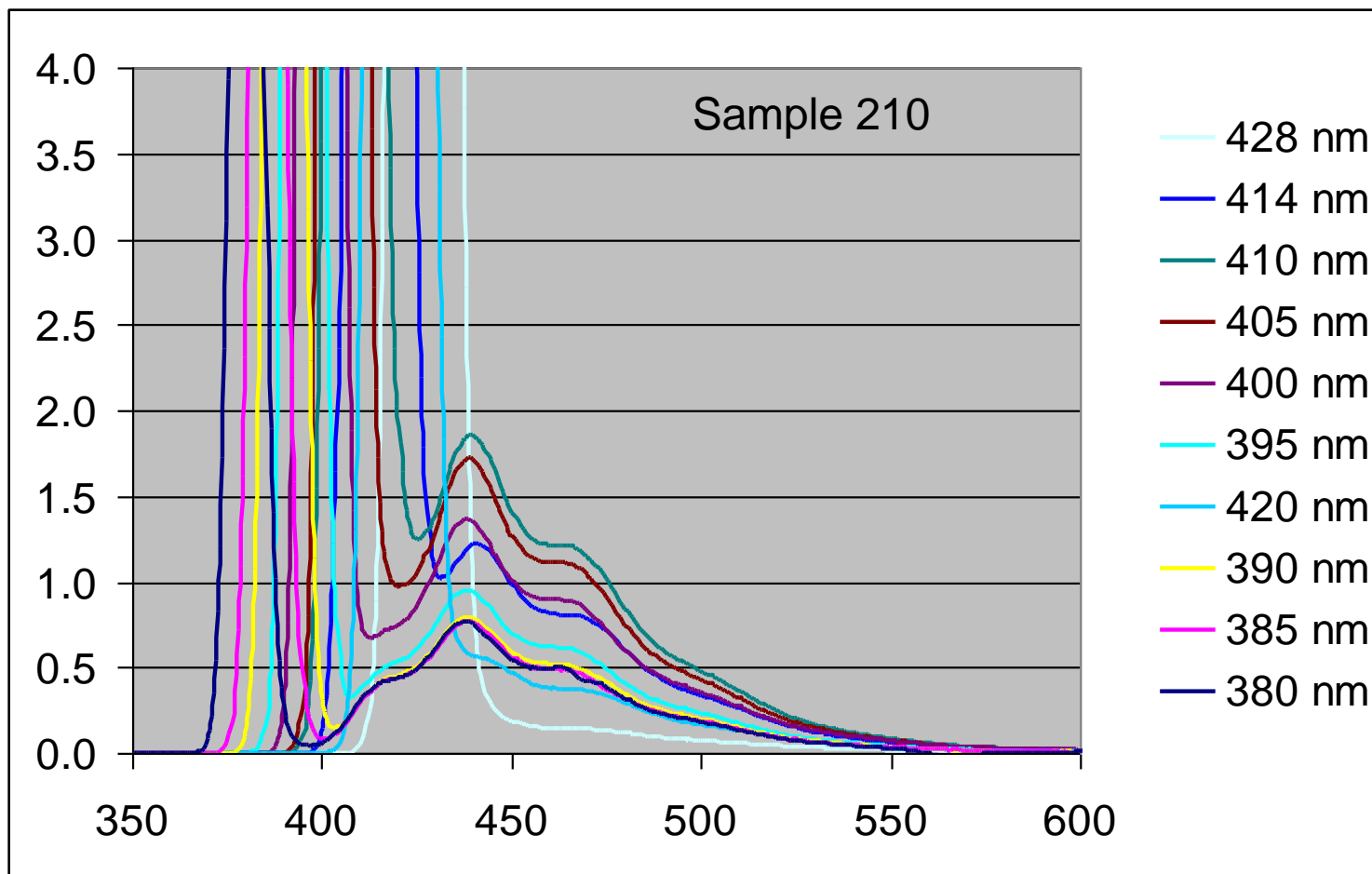
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Sample 210



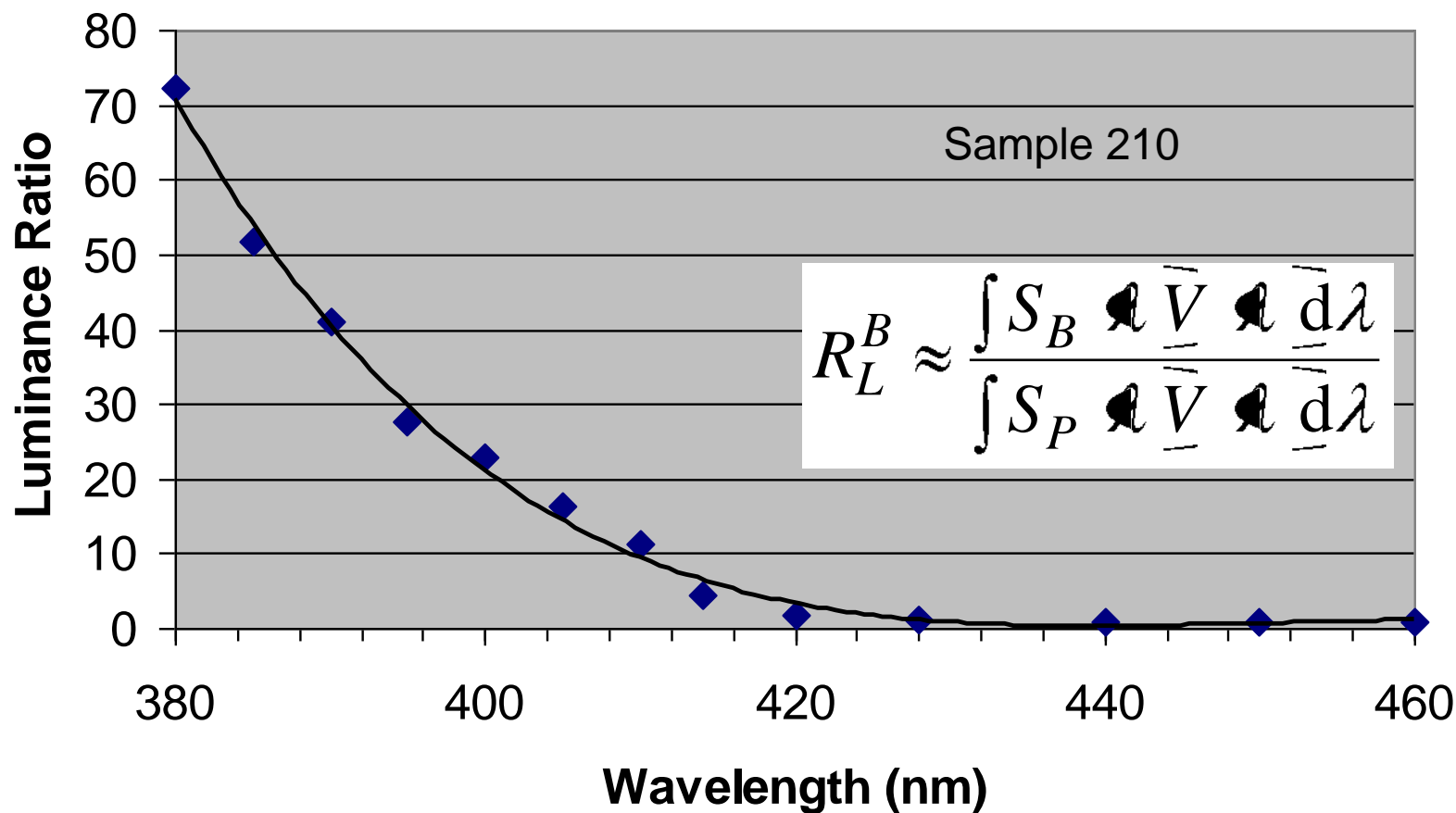
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Sensitivity coefficient  $\rightarrow$  -7 % per nanometer

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$$\frac{\partial R_L^B}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{-10\%}{nm} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta \lambda = 2 nm$$

According to  
ASTM E2630

404 nm – 406 nm

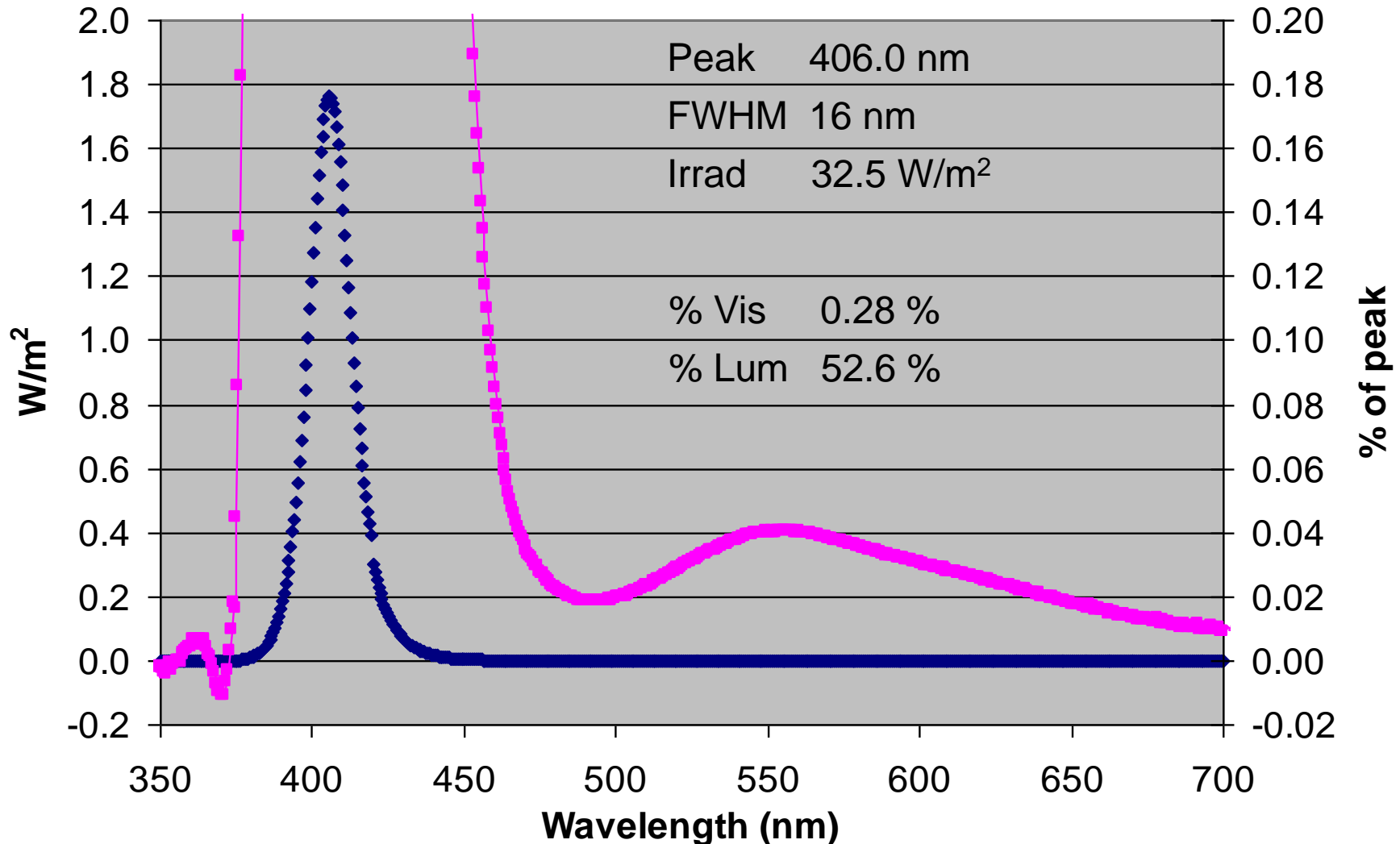
$$u(\lambda) = 0.58 nm \quad \text{and} \quad u_x(R_L^B) = 5.8\%$$

NIST Calibration Service according to ASTM E2630

$$u(\lambda) = 0.05 nm \quad \text{and} \quad u_x(R_L^B) = 0.5\%$$

# Spectral Out-of-Band Light - Source

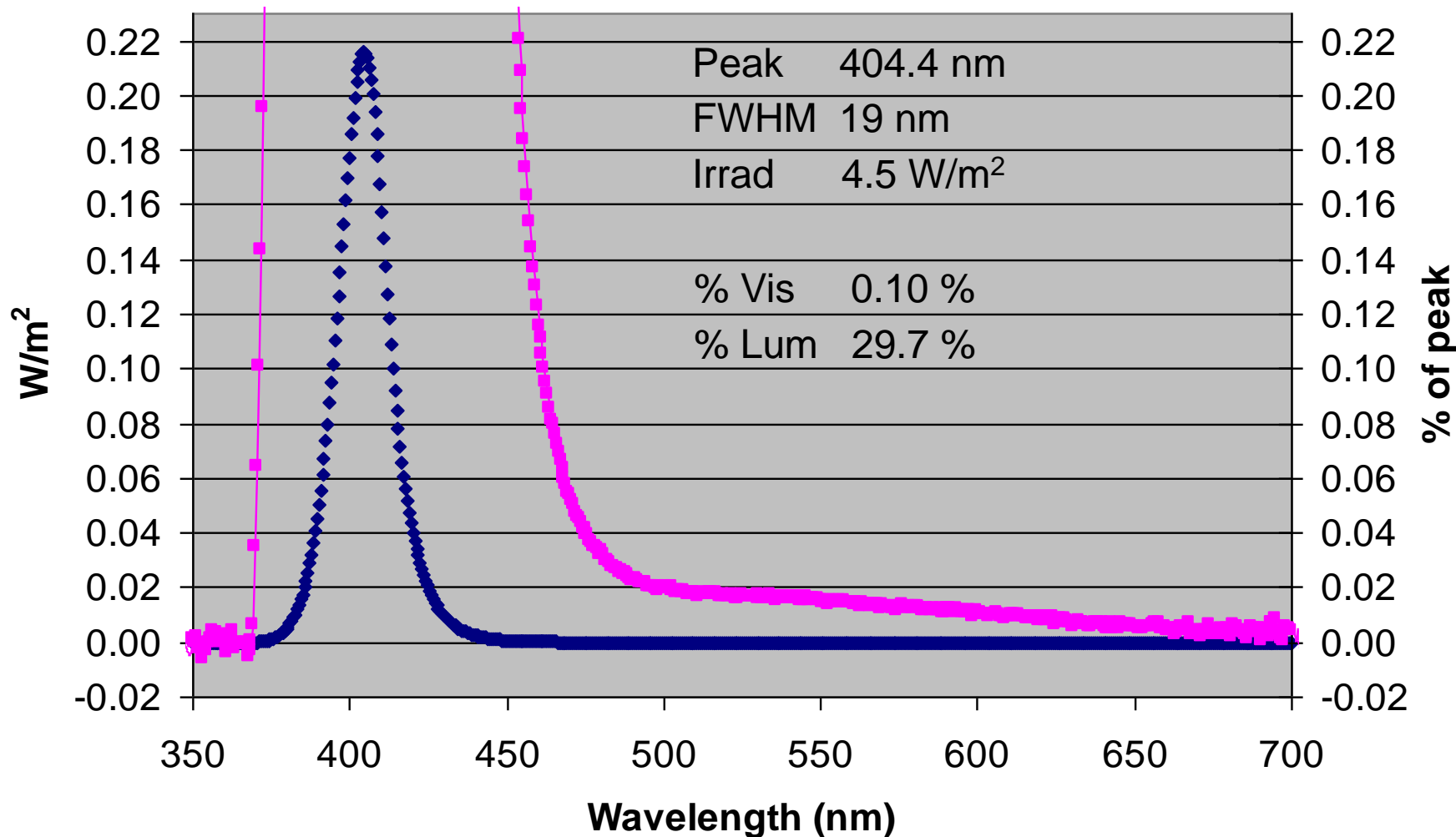
LED single chip - focused





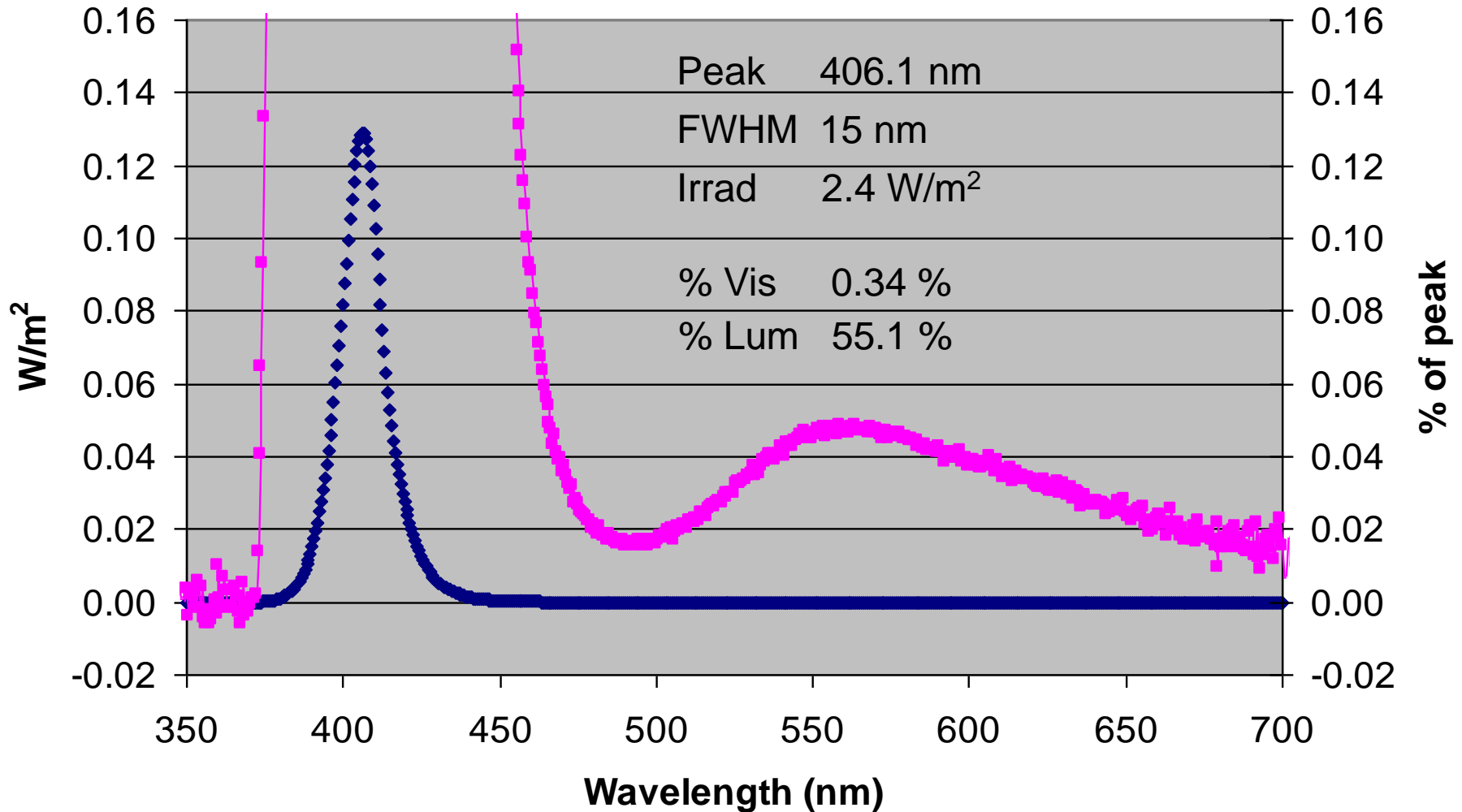
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LED Package – 66 small chips



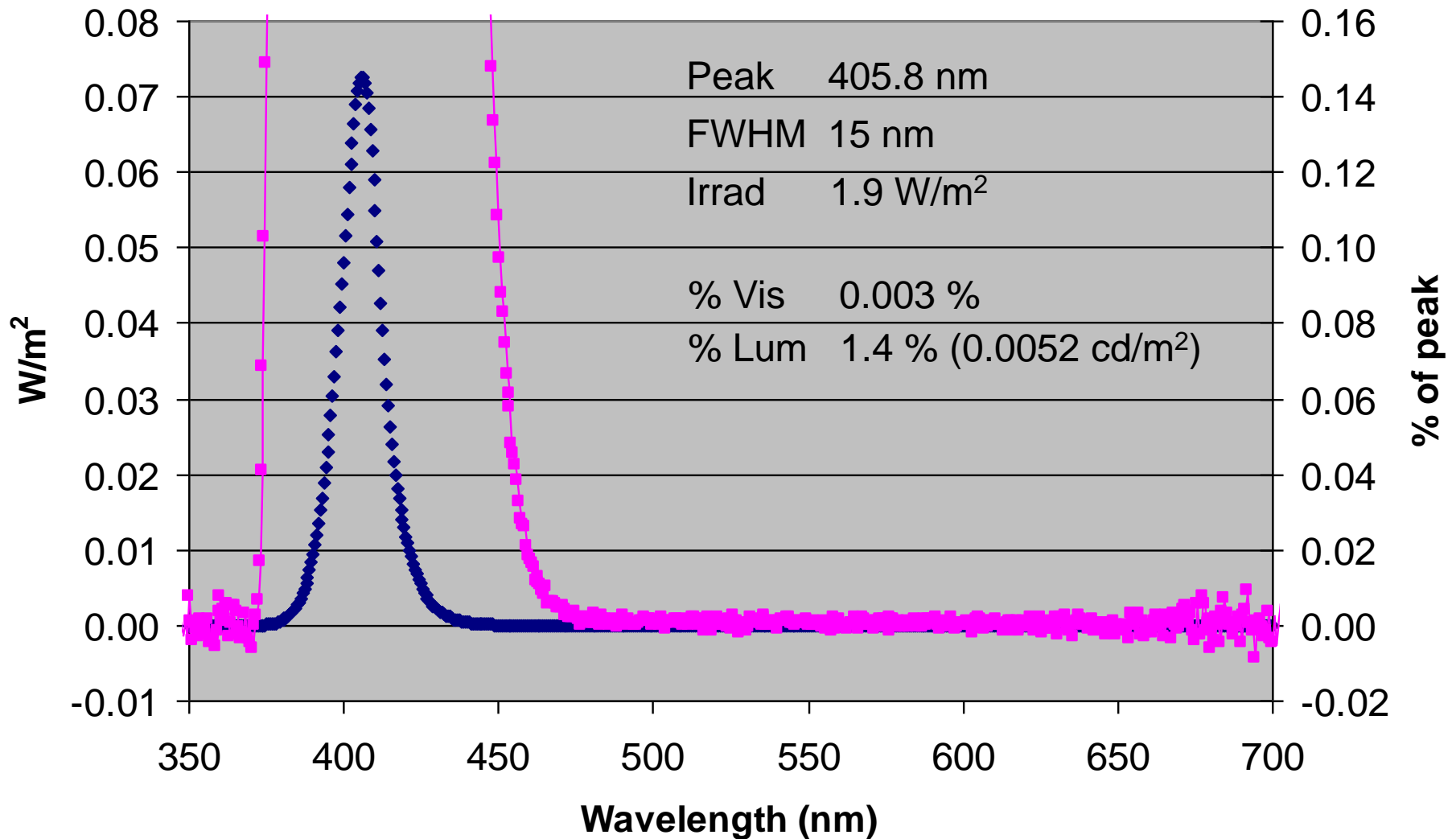
# Spectral Out-of-Band Light - Source

LED Flashlight



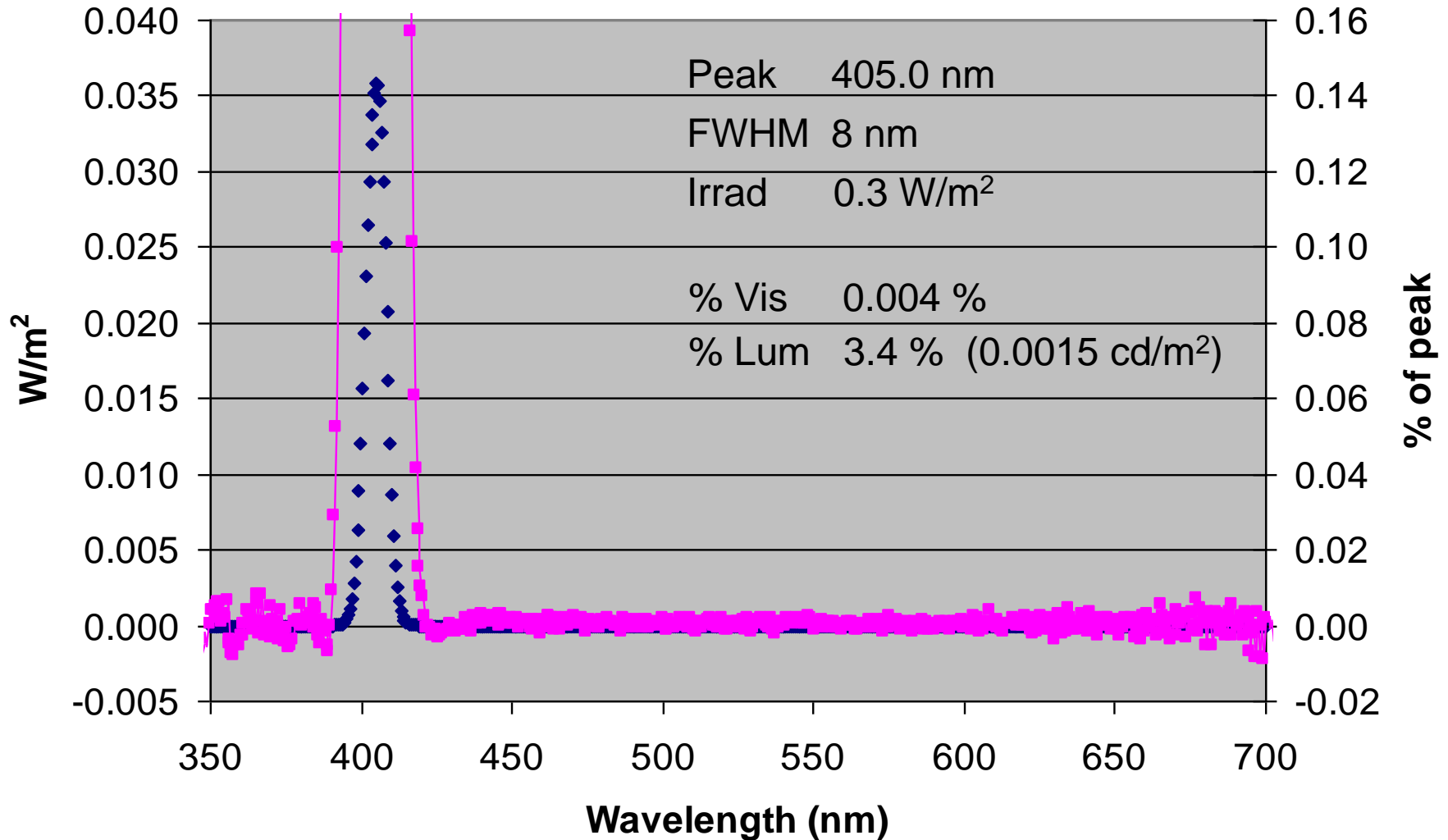
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LED Flashlight - BG3 Filter

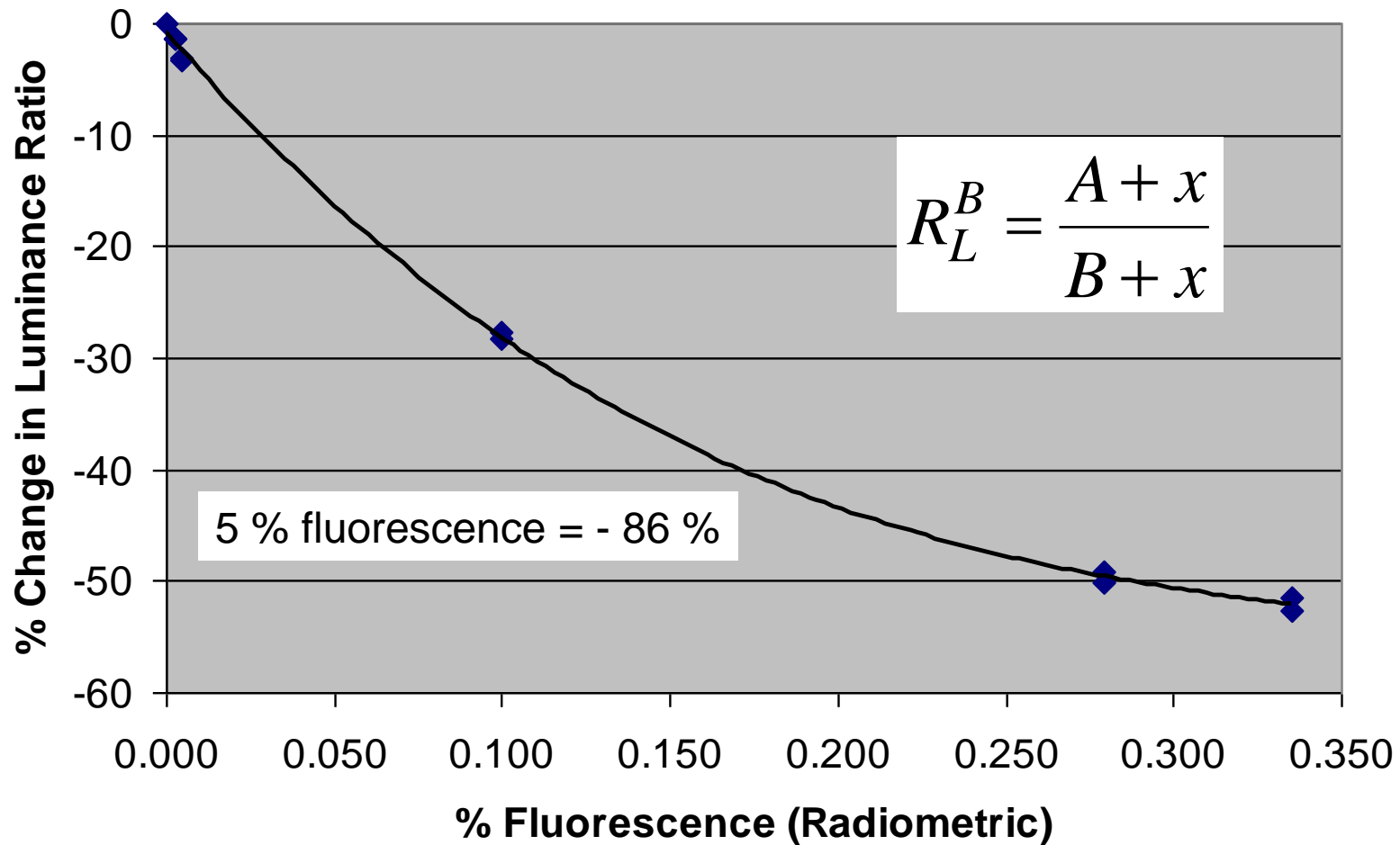


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## LED Flashlight - Interference Filter

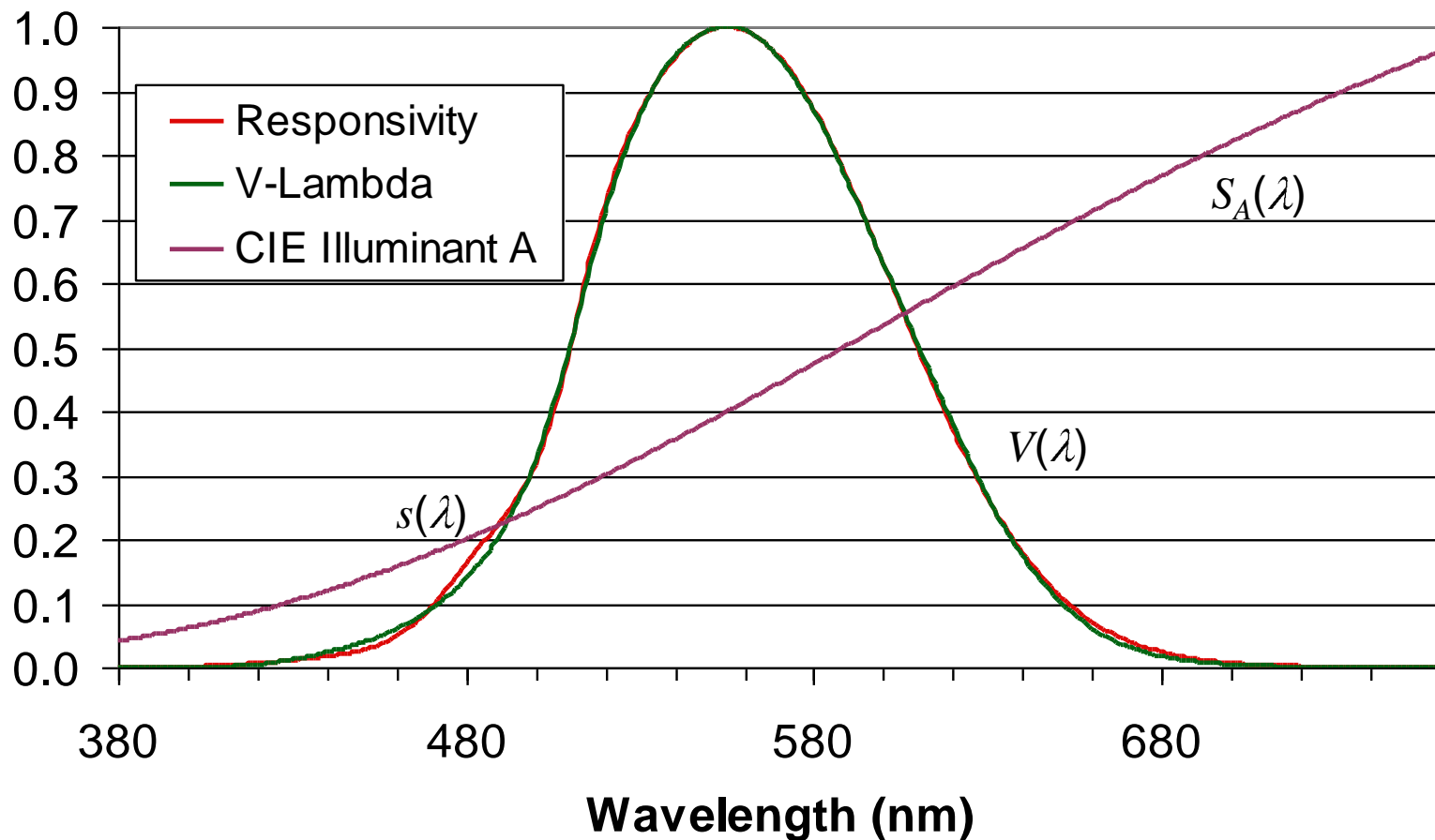


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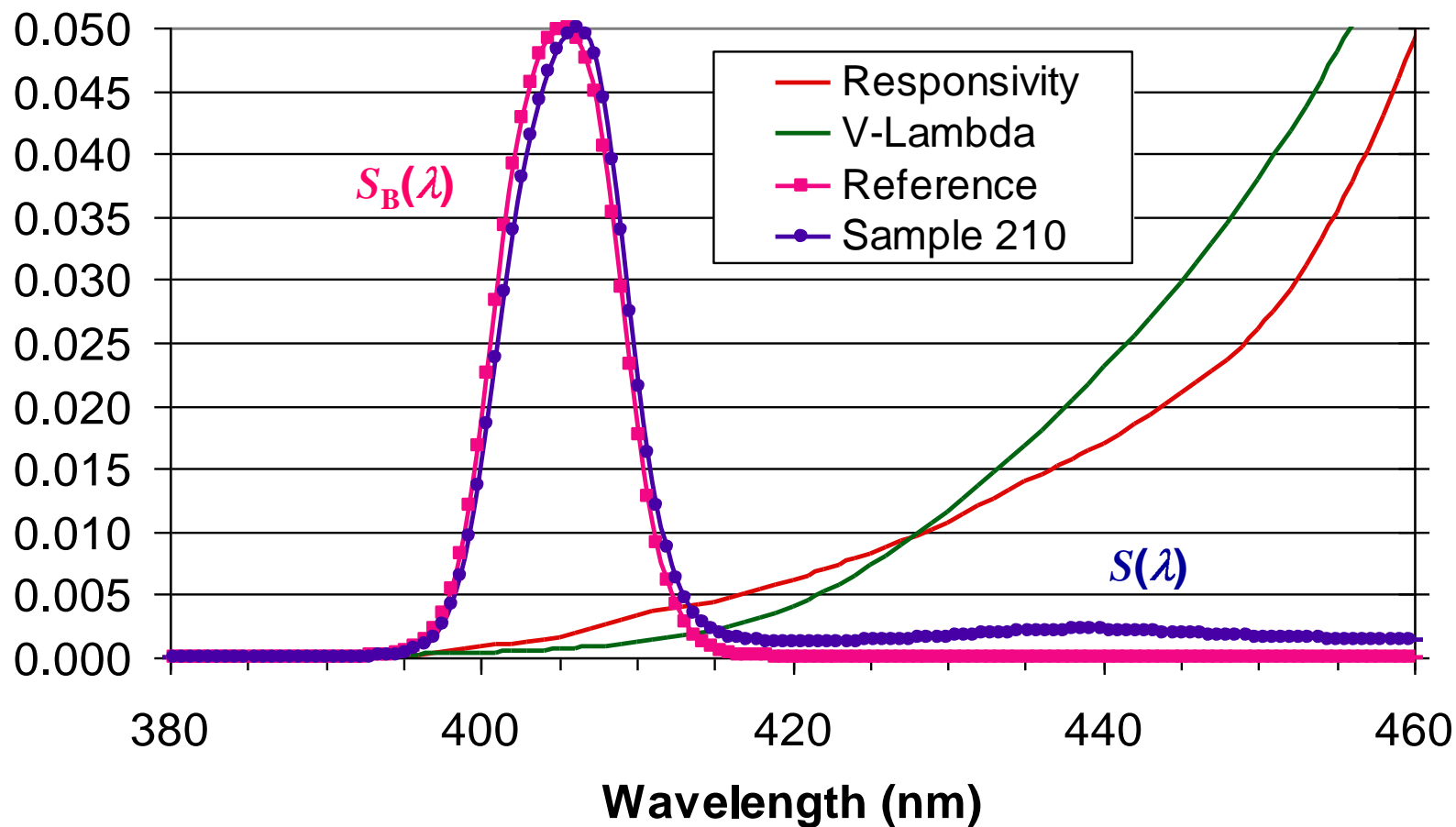
$$\frac{\partial R_L^B}{\partial \lambda_s} = \frac{-340.8\%}{\% f} \quad \text{at } 0.005\% \quad u(\lambda_s) = 0.005\% \quad u_x(R_L^B) = 0.017\%$$

# Spectral Mismatch Correction, $F$



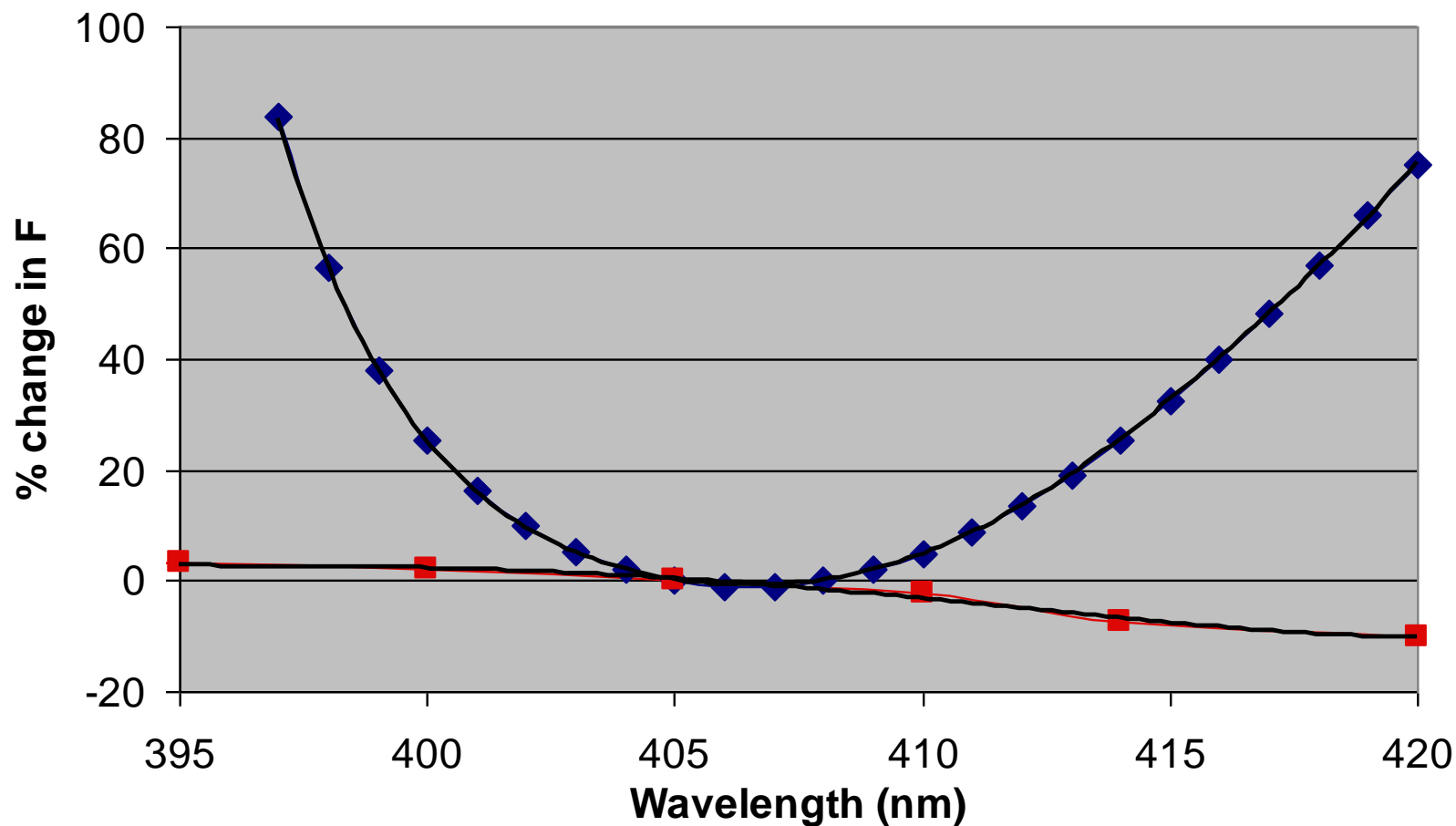
$$F_P = \frac{\int_{\lambda} S_A \cdot \bar{s} \cdot \bar{d}\lambda}{\int_{\lambda} S_A \cdot \bar{V} \cdot \bar{d}\lambda} \cdot \frac{\int_{\lambda} S_B \cdot \bar{V} \cdot \bar{d}\lambda}{\int_{\lambda} S_B \cdot \bar{s} \cdot \bar{d}\lambda}$$

# Spectral Mismatch Correction, $F$



$$F_p = 0.321 \quad F = 0.984$$

# Spectral Mismatch Correction



$$\frac{\partial F_P}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{-2.4\%}{nm} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{-0.6\%}{nm}$$



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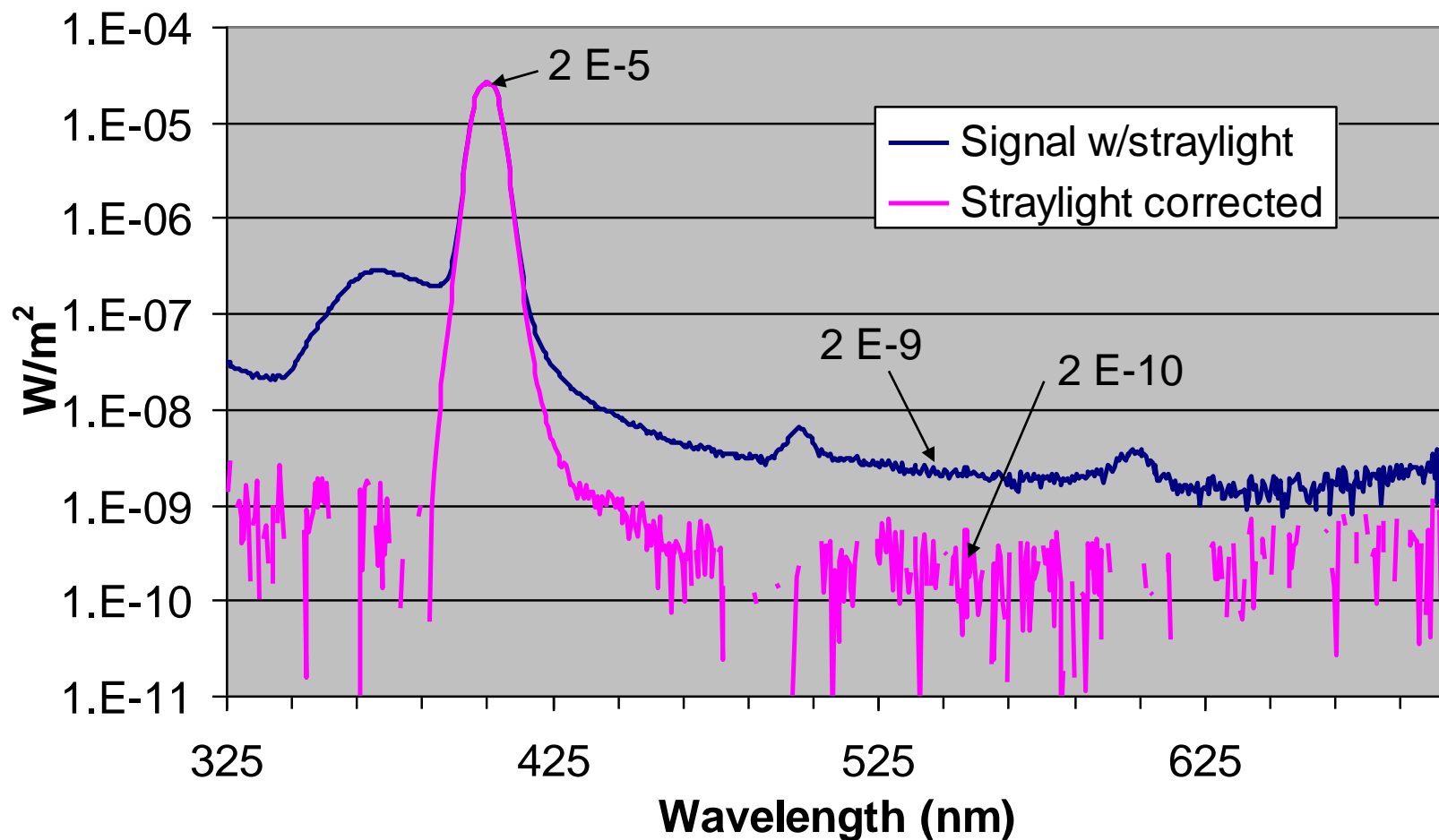
$$\frac{\partial F_P}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{-2.4\%}{nm} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{-0.6\%}{nm} \quad \Delta\lambda = 2 nm$$

$$u(\lambda) = 0.58 nm \quad \text{and} \quad u(F_P) = -1.39\%, u(F) = 0.35\%$$

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$$u(\lambda) = 0.05 nm \quad \text{and} \quad u(F_P) = -0.12\%, u(F) = 0.03\%$$

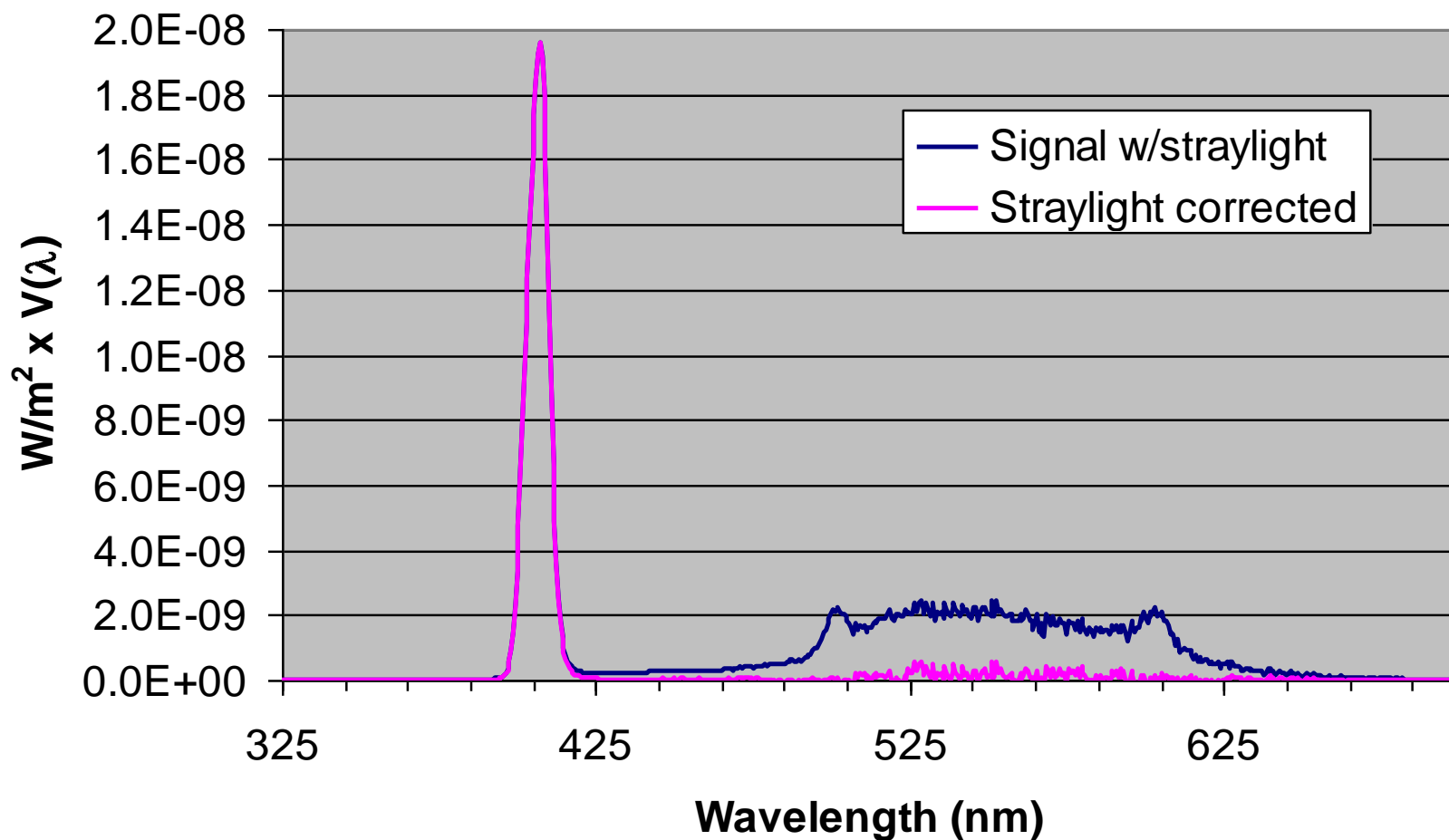
# Out-of-band Stray Light - Detector



Stray light 0.423 %

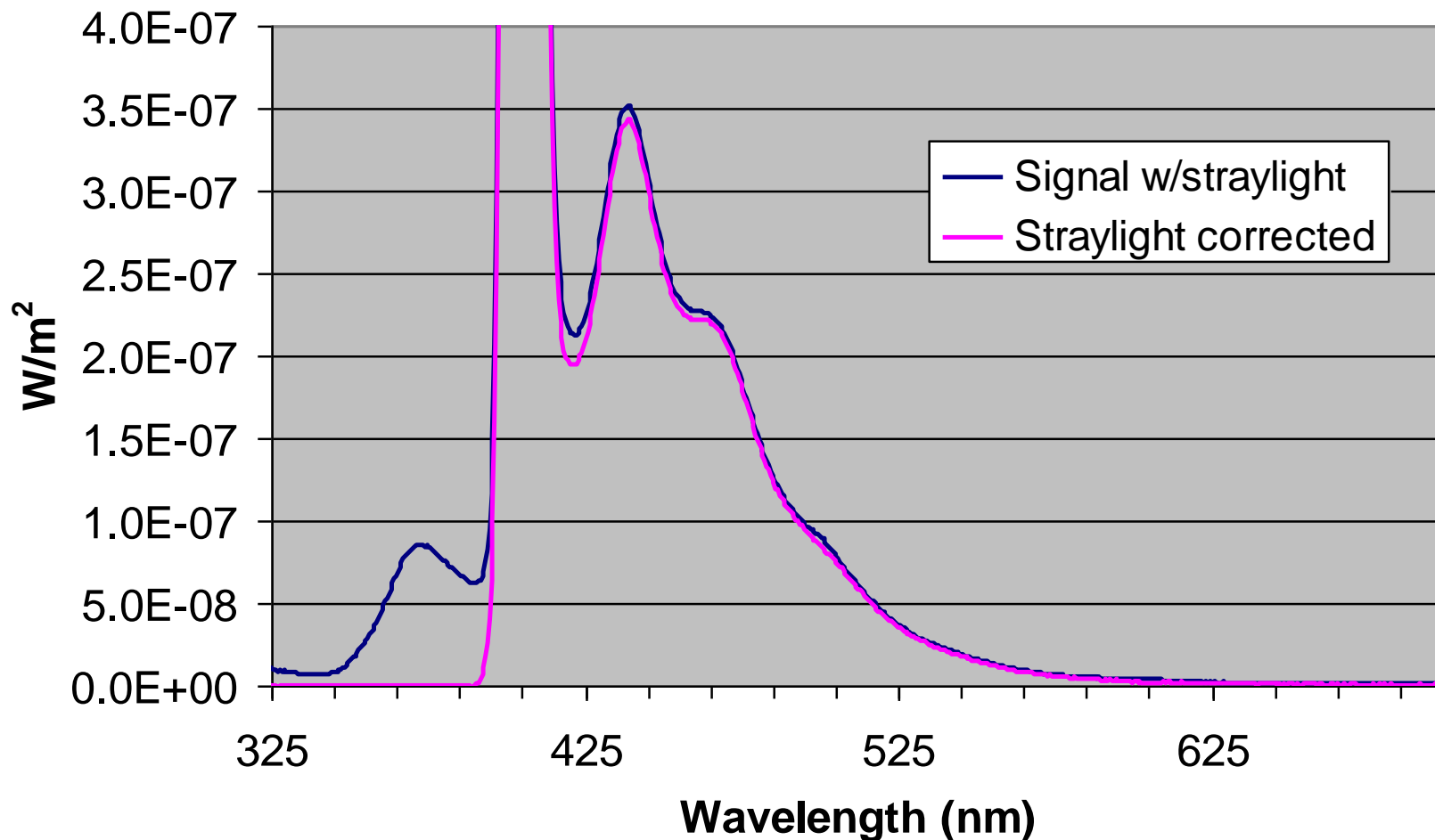
Corrected 0.036 %

# Out-of-band Stray Light - Detector



Straylight  $R_L^B = 6.88$       Corrected  $R_L^B = 15.23$       45 %

# Out-of-band Stray Light - Detector



$$\frac{\partial R_L^B}{\partial S} = \frac{-511007\%}{\text{Stray Rejection}} \quad \text{at Stray Rejection} = 10^{-5}$$

# NIST Uncertainty Budget

Component	Symbol	Value	$u(x_i)$	$\partial R_L^B / \partial x_i$	Contribution	%
Sample signal	$s$	4.2120 V	0.0005 V	3.62 V <sup>-1</sup>	0.000003	0.01
Sample dark signal	$s_d$	0.0001 V	0.0005 V	-3.62 V <sup>-1</sup>	0.000003	0.01
Reference signal	$s_P$	0.3500 V	0.0001 V	-43.52 V <sup>-1</sup>	0.000019	0.03
Reference dark signal	$s_{P,d}$	0.0000 V	0.0001 V	43.52 V <sup>-1</sup>	0.000019	0.03
Spectral mismatch $C_f$ sample	$F$	0.984	0.001	-15.48	0.000240	0.10
Spectral mismatch $C_f$ reference	$F_P$	0.321	0.001	47.45	0.002252	0.31
Standard luminance reflectance	$\rho_B$	0.9700	0.0025	15.70	0.001541	0.26
Excitation wavelength	$\lambda_B$	1.0	0.05 nm	-1.52 nm <sup>-1</sup>	0.005800	0.50
Wavelength correction	$C_\lambda$	1.0	0.05 nm	-1.52 nm <sup>-1</sup>	0.005800	0.50
Illumination bandwidth	$\Delta\lambda_B$	1.0	0.05 nm	0.37 nm <sup>-1</sup>	0.000334	0.12
Spectral out-of-band light	$\lambda_s$	1.0	0.0003	-51.91	0.000002	0.01
Linearity of detector	$L$	1.0	0.0005	15.23	0.000058	0.05
Out-of-field sensitivity	$O$	1.0	0.0005	15.23	0.000058	0.05
Voltmeter calibration	$c_S$	1.0	0.00005	15.23	0.000001	0.01
Illumination angle	$\phi$	0.0	0.1	-0.033 /	0.000011	0.02
Viewing angle	$\theta$	45.0	0.1	0.02 /	0.000006	0.02
<b>Luminance Ratio</b>	<b><math>R_L^B</math></b>	<b>15.23</b>	<b>Combined unc.</b>		<b>0.13</b>	
<b>Relative expanded uncertainty</b>		<b>1.7 %</b>	<b>Rel. combined unc.</b>		<b>0.8 %</b>	