analytical function

A function which relates the measured value \hat{C}_a to the instrument reading, X, with the value of all interferants, C_i , remaining constant. This function is expressed by the following regression of the calibration results.

$$\hat{C}_{\mathbf{a}} = f(X)$$

The analytical function is taken as equal to the inverse of the calibration function.

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