dynamic range

of an analyser

The ratio between the maximum usable indication and the minimum usable indication (detection limit). A distinction may be made between the linear dynamic range, where the response is directly proportional to concentration, and the dynamic range where the response may be non-linear, especially at higher concentrations.

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