

## data reduction

The process of transforming the initial representation of a spectrometer output into a form which is amenable to interpretation; for example, a bar graph or a table of ion currents.

**Source:**

PAC, 1991, 63, 1541 (*Recommendations for nomenclature and symbolism for mass spectroscopy (including an appendix of terms used in vacuum technology). (Recommendations 1991)*) on page 1544