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1. Overview



Affiliation

- **NCOSM**, located in **Tianjin**, is one of the institutions directly under the Ministry of Natural Resources of China(**MNR**).
- NCOSM is a legal metrological verification institution authorized by the State Administration for Market Regulation (**SAMR**) of China.
- As a part of NCOSM, **CTD Calibration Facility** has been providing calibration services since **1988**.It provides calibration services for **thousands** of CTD instruments every year.

1. Overview



CTD Calibration

A CTD—Conductivity, Temperature, and Depth (**CTD**) instrument is the primary instrument used to determine the essential physical properties of seawater.

It provides scientists with an accurate and comprehensive representation of the distribution and variation of water temperature, salinity, and density to understand how the oceans affect life and the environment.





1. Overview

CTD Calibration

- Modern sensors and transmitters are electronic devices that employ electrical signals such as voltage and current, which naturally **drift over time**.
- Calibration of the CTD is important to the quality of the measurement data.



1. Overview



Drift

Drift of RBR concerto CTD sensors

Conductivity

Range: 0-85mS/cm
Accuracy*: ± 0.003 mS/cm at T=15°C
Temperature dependence: $\pm 3\mu$ S/cm between 5°C - 25°C

Drift: $\sim 10\mu$ S/cm/year

Resolution: $< 1\mu$ S/cm

Time constant: < 100 ms set by flow through cell

* Defined as the root sum of the squares (RSS) of endpoint non-linearity, repeatability error and calibration uncertainty.

Temperature

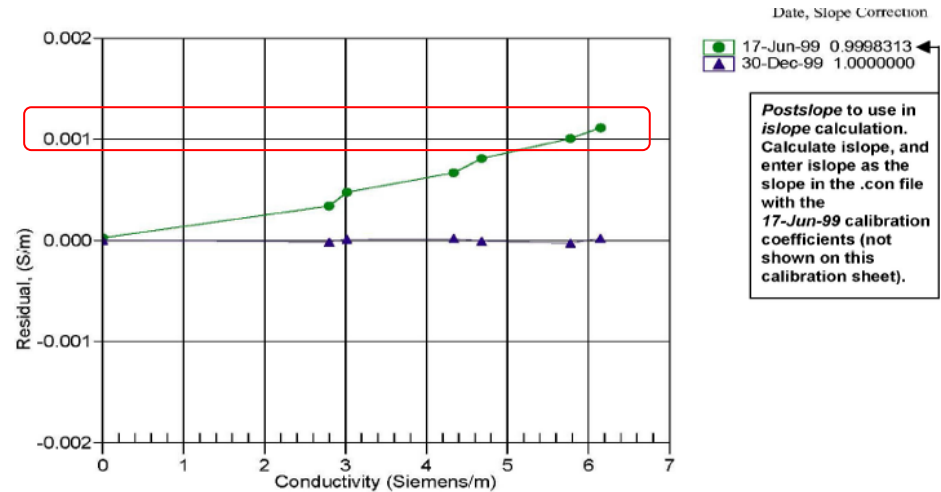
Range: -5°C to 35°C

Accuracy: ± 0.002 °C

Resolution: < 0.00005 °C

Time constant: ~ 1 s (standard) or ~ 0.1 s (option)

Drift: ~ 0.002 °C/year



Drift of SBE4c conductivity sensor in 6 months

Pressure (Depth)

Range: 20 / 50 / 100 / 200 / 500 / 740 / 1000 / 2000m (dBar)

Accuracy: $\pm 0.05\%$ full scale at T=20°C
 $\pm 0.10\%$ with temperature correction

Resolution: $< 0.001\%$ full scale

Time Constant: < 0.01 s

Drift: $\sim 0.2\%$ /year



2. CTD Calibration Facility



Capabilities

- The facility calibrates a wide range of oceanographic instrumentation to a level of accuracy consistent with the world's best practice.

Certificates for Examination of Measurement Standards

Measurement Standard	Range	MPE
Temperature (°C)	-2~40	±0.002
Salinity	2~42	±0.001
Pressure (MPa)	0.05~100	±0.005%

- All Temperature & Pressure metrology standards could be traced to a higher level of measurement authority (e.g. NIM, China National Institute of Metrology), and **SI** units traceable.
- Salinity could be traced to PSS-78.



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Temperature

- Standard Platinum Resistance Thermometers (SPRT)
- F900 AC Bridge , 6622A DC Bridge
- Water Triple Point / Gallium Melt point
- Constant temperature seawater baths





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Temperature

- SPRT
 - Accuracy: Primary
 - Measurement range: $(-38.8344-156.5985)$ °C
- Thermostatic water bath
 - Range of temperature: $(-2-40)$ °C
 - Temperature stability : 0.0005 °C
 - Temperature uniformity: 0.0005 °C



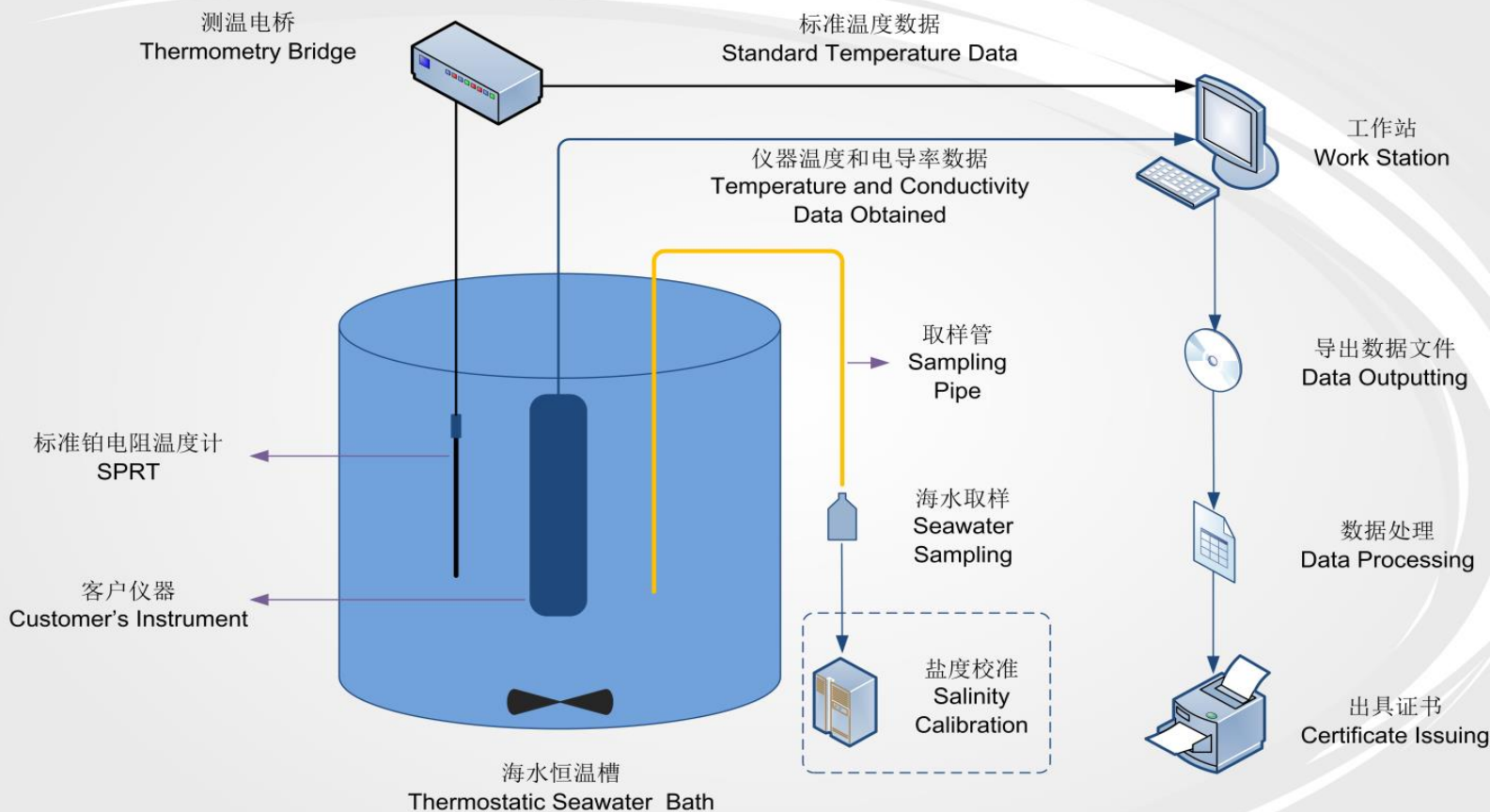
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Temperature

温度校准流程

Flowchart of Temperature Calibration



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Salinity(Conductivity)

- Laboratory Salinometer
- Chinese Standard Seawater / IAPSO Standard Seawater





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Salinity(Conductivity)

- Salinometer (e.g. Guildline Autosal 8400B)
 - Measurement range of salinity(PSU): 2-42
 - MPE: ± 0.001
- China Standard Sea Water (CSSW)
 - Salinity: $S=35$
 - Uncertainty: $U=0.001$

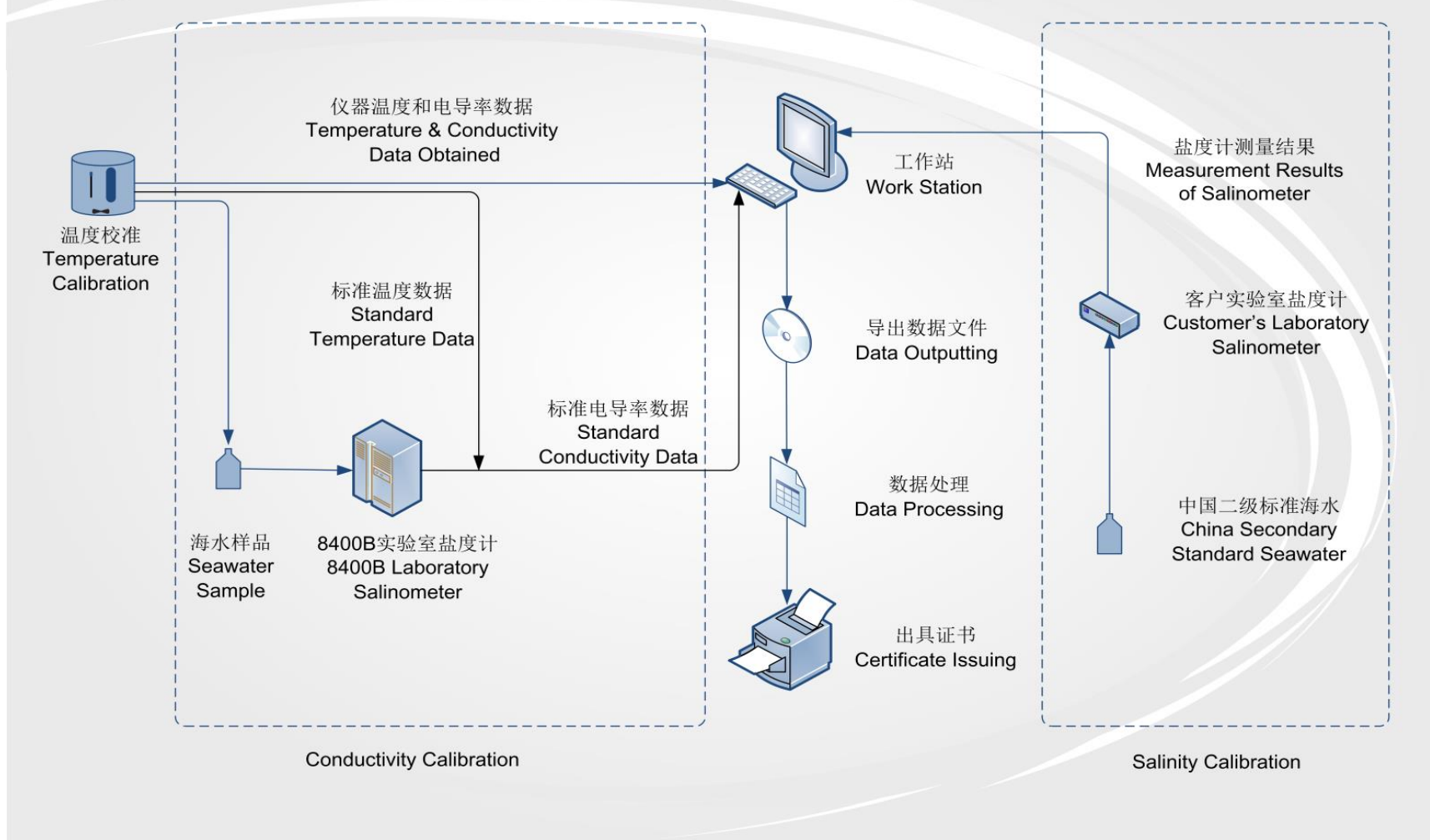



 中国一级标准海水
 China Primary Standard Seawater
 国家标准物质
 Certified Reference Material
 QSW 13150
 批号(Batch): P9 生产日期(Date): 2014.02.28
 $K_{15} = 0.99993$
Salinity 34.997
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Conductivity(Salinity) 电导率/盐度校准流程 Flowchart of Conductivity & Salinity Calibration

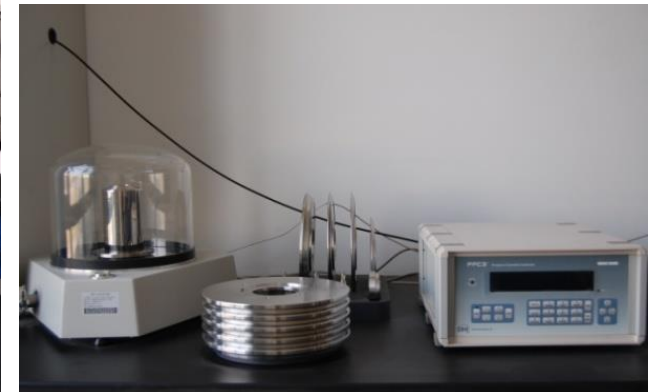


2. CTD Calibration Facility



Pressure (Depth)

- Piston Gauge (Hydraulic & Pneumatic)



2. CTD Calibration Facility



Pressure(Depth)

- Piston Gauge (Hydraulic & Pneumatic)
 - Measurement range: (0.05-100) MPa
 - MPE: $\pm 0.005\%$
- Constant temperature and humidity laboratory
 - Temperature : $(20 \pm 1) ^\circ\text{C}$
 - Relative humidity : $(40 \pm 2)\%$

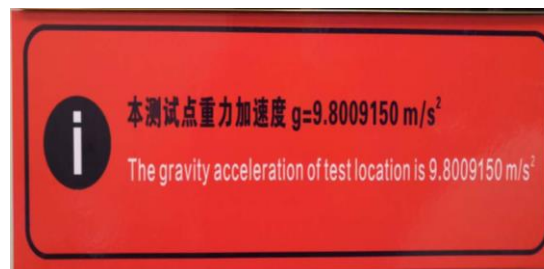


6270A Modular Pressure Controller

PG7302 Piston Gauge



High-precision gravity acceleration value:



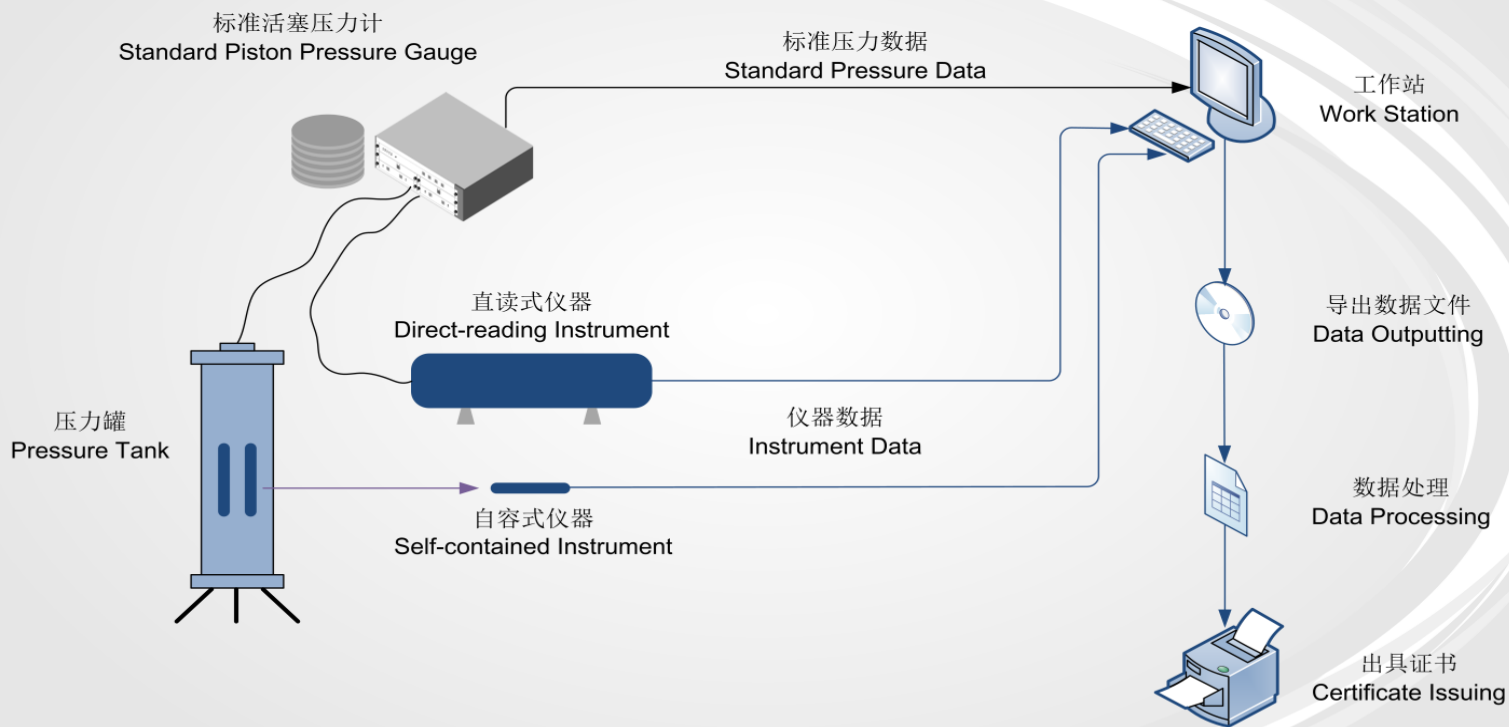
KY60 Piston Gauge

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Pressure(Depth)

压力校准流程
Flowchart of Pressure Calibration



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Calibration Certificate:

- Calibration coefficients
- Uncertainty of calibration
- Error of indication

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National Ocean Metrology Service

校准证书
Calibration Certificate

证书编号: GHJ (2012) 校字 203 号
Certificate No.

送校单位: _____
Applicant: _____

计量器具名称: _____ CTD
Name of Instrument: _____

型号/规格: _____ SBE 911plus
Type/Specification: _____

厂牌: _____
Manufacturer: _____

制造单位: _____ 美国海鸟公司
Manufacturer: _____ Sea-Bird Electronics

校准依据: _____ 参照 JJG763-2002 《盐度测量仪》检定规程
Calibration Regulation: _____

批准人: _____
Approved by: _____

校准员: _____
Checked by: _____

校准员: _____
Calibrated by: _____

校准日期: 2012 年 5 月 29 日
Date of Calibration: Year Month Day

计量检定机构授权证书号: (国) 统计 (2011) 00008 号
Authorization Certificate No.
地址: 天津市滨海新区紫竹林道 219 号
Address: Jintan Weimin Road 219, Nankai District, Tianjin
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证书编号: GHJ (2012) 校字 203 号
Certificate No.

温度校准所使用的主要计量器具
Standard Instruments of Measurement

名称 Name	测量范围 Measuring Range	不确定度/准确度等级/ 最大允许误差 Uncertainty / Accuracy Class/ Maximum Permissible Error	证书编号 Certificate No.	有效期至 Valid Until
标准铂电阻温度计 SPRT 测温电桥 Thermometry Bridge	(-38.8344~156.5985)°C 1Ω~10kΩ	一等 Primary 8×10 ⁻⁷	RGcp2011-0283 DLdz2012-0780	2013.10.07 2014.04.27

温度校准地点及其环境条件
Place And Ambient Conditions

地点: 温度仪器检测室
Place: Temperature Testing Room

温度: 20.0°C
相对湿度: 40.0
Relative Humidity

温度校准结果
Calibration Results

传感器编号 (Serial No. of Sensor): _____
传感器系数 (Parameter of sensor):
a0 = 4.37650840 × 10⁻³
a1 = 6.40613498 × 10⁻⁶
a2 = 2.23425612 × 10⁻⁶
a3 = 2.0779 × 10⁻⁶

标准温度 standard temperature (°C)	仪器温度 temperature frequency (Hz)	校准温度 calibrated temperature (°C)	示值误差 error (°C)
34.9150	6455.120	34.9148	-0.0002
29.9272	5887.192	29.9279	0.0007
25.0051	5361.156	25.0047	-0.0004
20.0782	4868.241	20.0777	-0.0005
15.0632	4400.105	15.0639	0.0007
9.9987	3960.256	9.9985	-0.0002
5.0341	3560.600	5.0341	0.0000
0.0896	3192.209	0.0896	0.0000
34.9150	6455.120	34.9148	-0.0002

校准结果的不确定度描述: $U = 2.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{°C}$ $k = 2$
uncertainty of measurement

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Types of CTD

- SeaBird, RBR, JFE-Alec, Idronaut, SeaSun, KELLER
- Valeport, Aanderaa, AML, YSI, NKE, etc..

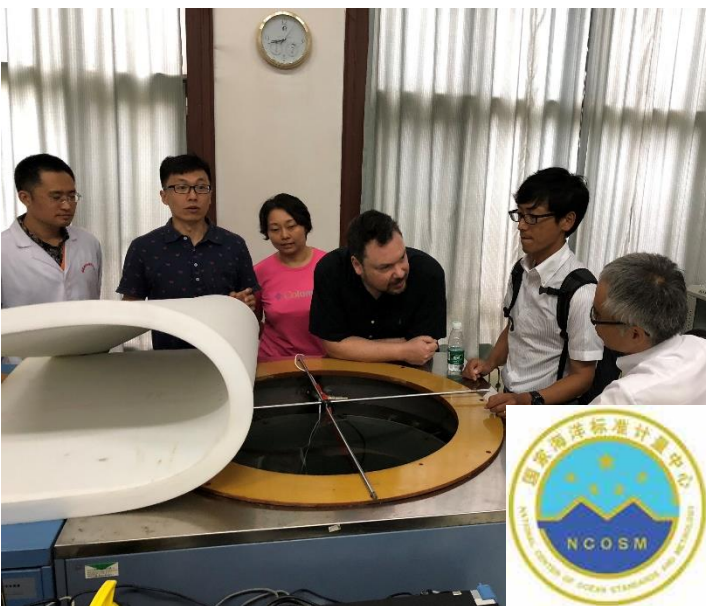
Manufacture	Model	Temperature (°C)		Conductivity (mS/cm)		Pressure (MPa)	
		Range	MPE	Range	MPE	Range	MPE
Sea-Bird Scientific	911plus	-5~35	±0.001	0~70	±0.003	0~68	±0.015%F.S
	917 plus	-5~35	±0.001	0~70	±0.003	0~68	±0.015%F.S
	25	-5~35°C	±0.002	0~70	±0.003	0~68	±0.1% F.S
	37SM	-5~35°C	±0.002	0~70	±0.003	0~68	±0.1% F.S
	49	-5~35°C	±0.002	0~90mS/cm	±0.003	0~68	0.1% F.S
	19	-5~35°C	±0.005	0~70mS/cm	±0.01	0~6	±0.1%F.S
	19plus	-5~35°C	±0.005	0~90	±0.005	0~68	±0.1%F.S
	16plusV2	-5~35°C	±0.005	0~90	±0.005	0~68	±0.1% F.S or ±0.02% F.S
RBR	XR-420CTD	-5~35°C	±0.002	0~70	±0.003	0~66	±0.05% F.S
	XR-620CTD Profiler	-5~35°C	±0.002	0~70	±0.003	0~7.4	±0.05% F.S
ALEC	COMPACT-CTD	-5~40°C	±0.02	0~60	±0.02	0~6/10	±0.3% F.S
	AAQ 1183	-5~40°C	±0.05	0~100	±0.02	0~1	±0.3% F.S
	ACTD-DF	-5~40°C	±0.02	0~60	±0.02	0~1	±0.3% F.S

3. Capability Enhancement



Inter-Comparison

- NCOSM-CSIRO-JAMSTEC
- From 2013 to 2018, several CTD calibration comparisons were performed among the 3 institutions.





3. Capability Enhancement

Software & Hardware

New software and hardware were designed by engineers for calibration improvements.

数据计算

压力

原始数据

砝码压力	标准压力值	仪器示值	标准PSI	初始示值	初始误差	拟合示值	示值误差
0.00	-0.04	482	14.64	-0.27	-0.23	0.32	0.36
117.45	117.41	5890	184.99	116.30	-1.11	117.03	-0.38
606.80	606.76	28516	894.73	605.10	-1.66	606.28	-0.48
1096.15	1096.11	51064	1604.47	1093.91	-2.20	1095.43	-0.68
2074.84	2074.80	95955	3023.94	2072.15	-2.65	2073.99	-0.81
3053.51	3053.47	140582	4443.38	3051.31	-2.16	3053.01	-0.46
4032.17	4032.13	184925	5862.81	4030.82	-1.31	4031.93	-0.20
5010.81	5010.77	228978	7282.21	5010.41	-0.36	5010.51	-0.26
4032.17	4032.13	184961	5862.81	4031.62	-0.51	4032.73	0.60
3053.51	3053.47	140632	4443.38	3052.41	-1.06	3054.11	0.64
2074.84	2074.80	96012	3023.94	2073.40	-1.40	2075.24	0.44
1096.15	1096.11	51114	1604.47	1095.00	-1.11	1096.52	0.41

拟合曲线

拟合系数

科学计数法 6 不确定度: 0.02% 使用拟合

$y=0.091202977346616+3.128452311798100E-002*x+2.255859000000000E-009*x^2$

PA0= 9.120298E-002
PA1= 3.128452E-002
PA2= 2.255859E-009

标准器及环境

标准器: B9yz20

实验环境: 温度: 20.2 °C, 相对湿度: 60%, 气压修正: 1009.4 hPa

实验地点: 海水压力校准室 1

测量范围: (0~50) MPa, 等级: ±0.1%FS, 分辨率: 0.01e+04 Pa

Figure 1

SBE37 加载 计算 证书 原始数据

Team



An enterprising team





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