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There is an increasing need for analysts to understand and be able to quantify the performance of analytical instruments, in particular with respect to the following:
* specifying equipment for purchase
* estimating uncertainties in instrumental measurements
* quantifying and demonstrating performance quality
This text links together an understanding of performance characteristics with an appreciation of the limitations imposed by instrument design, leading to the interplay of the validation and qualification processes within quality assurance systems. A unique framework of topi
