

Lili: Liquor Quality Monitoring Based on Light Signals

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Motivation

Two key periods of industrialized wine production

Fermentation



Aging



Motivation

Numerous microorganisms begin to grow and multiply, lasting from several months to **more than ten years...**

Fermentation



Many kinds of pathogenic microorganisms grow and multiply silently



Aging

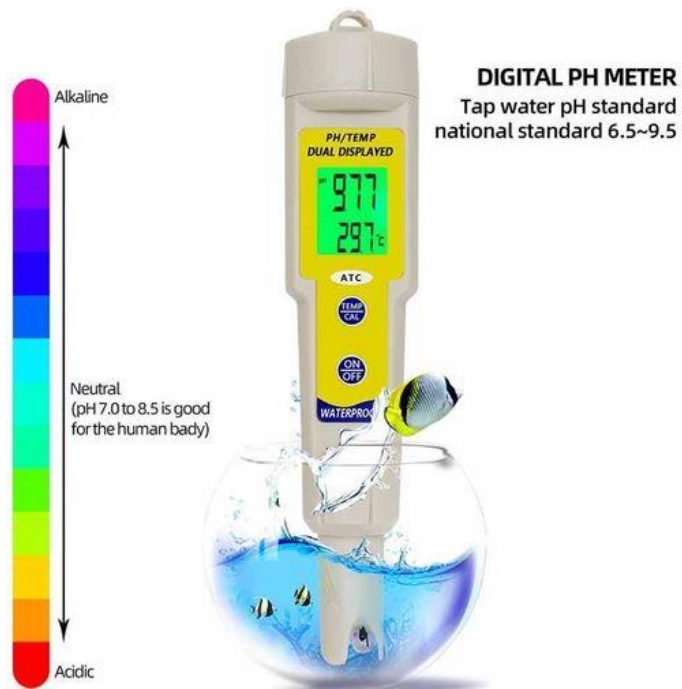


Staphylococcus aureus, Escherichia coli, Vibrio casei, Halomonas, Aspergillus flavus, Salmonella, Penicillium, Mucor, Serratia, Aspergillus niger

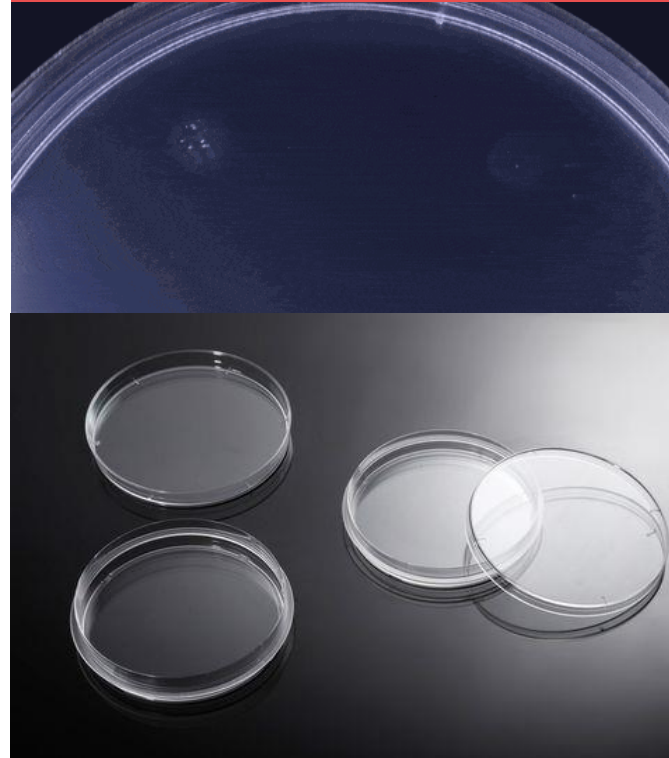
Motivation

Conventional detection testing is **time-consuming** and **cumbersome** and has a **high probability of inspection misses**

pH measurement



microbial cultures



Detect deterioration only when barrels are open

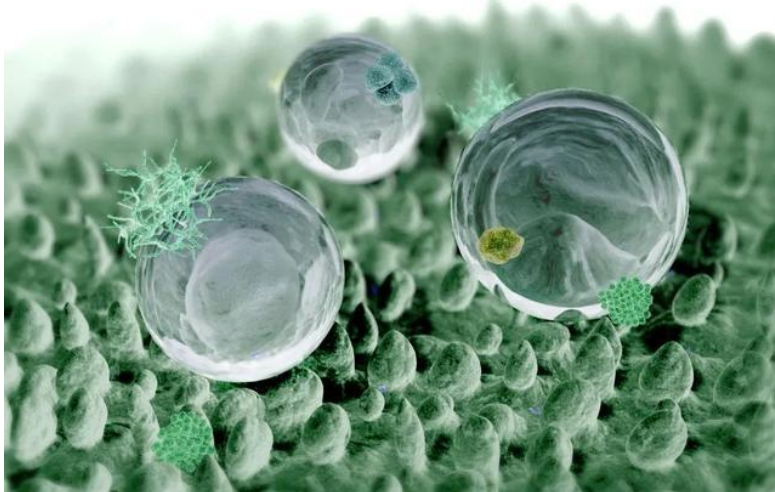


Cannot detect real-time deterioration

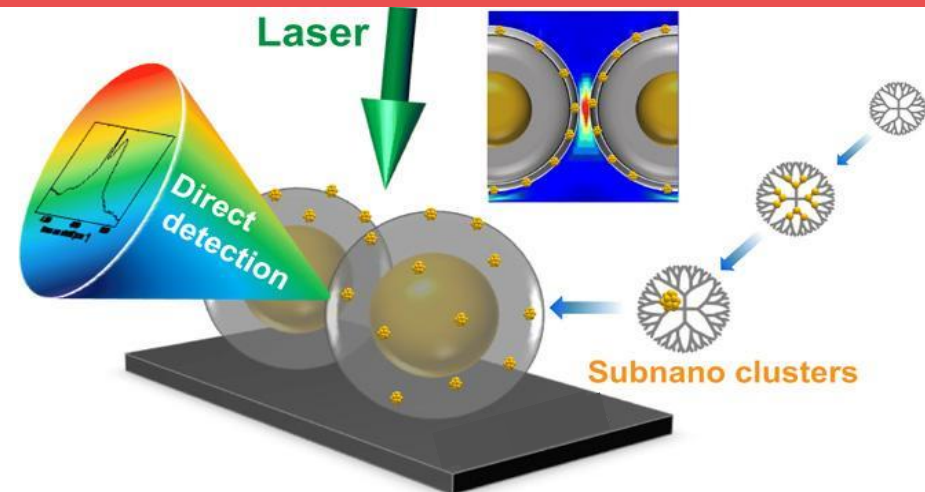
Ask And Opportunity

- Can we find an alternative to the traditional microbial cultivation?
- Is it possible to achieve real-time liquor quality measurements?
- Can they be made with common instrumentation?

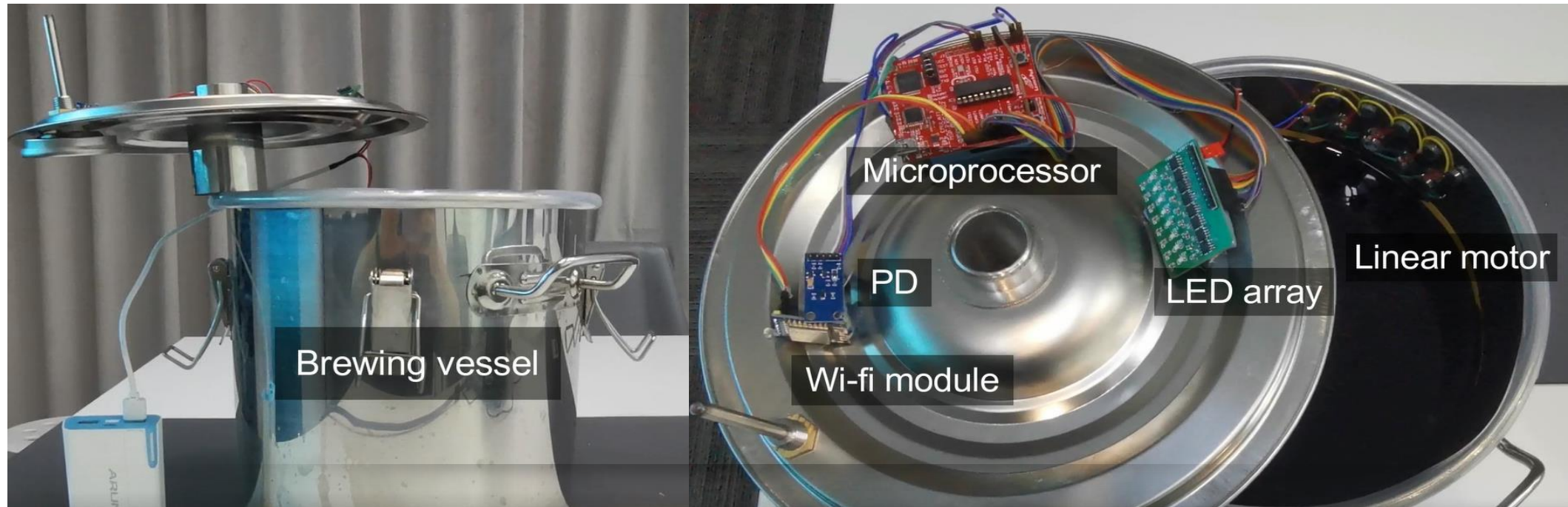
Deterioration of liquid changes surface tension



Microorganisms cause change in absorption spectrum

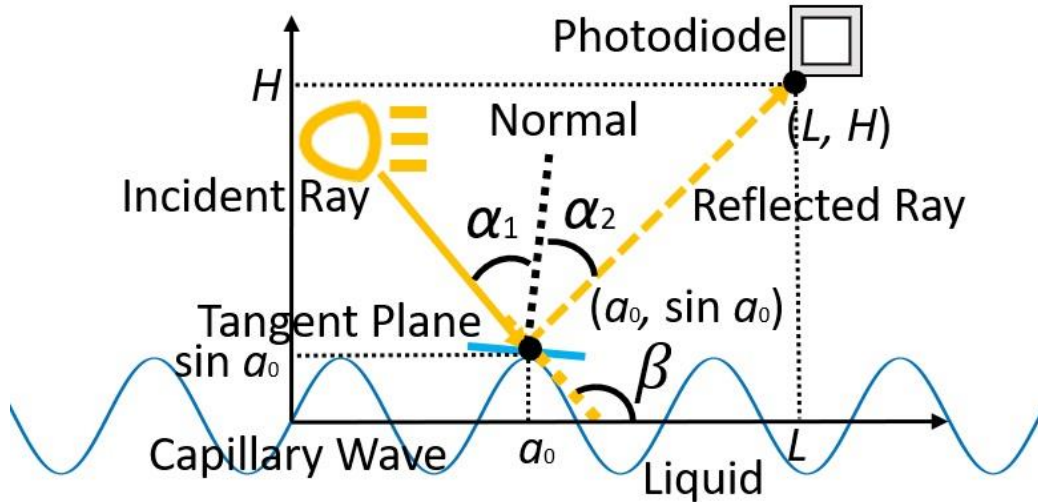


Proposed: **Surface tension** and **Absorption spectrum** Measurement based on **LED array, PD** and **Linear motor**.



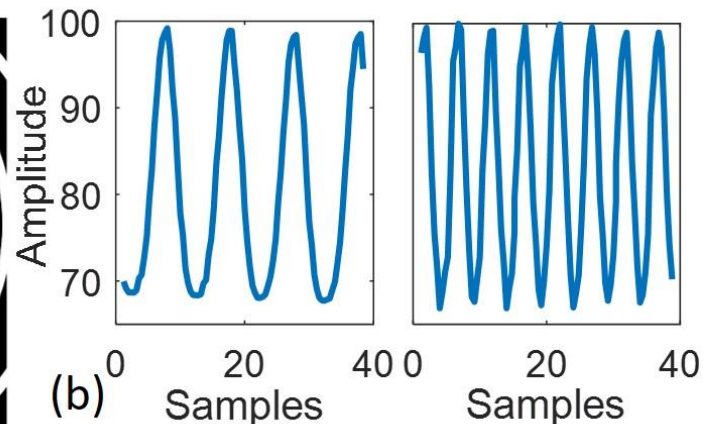
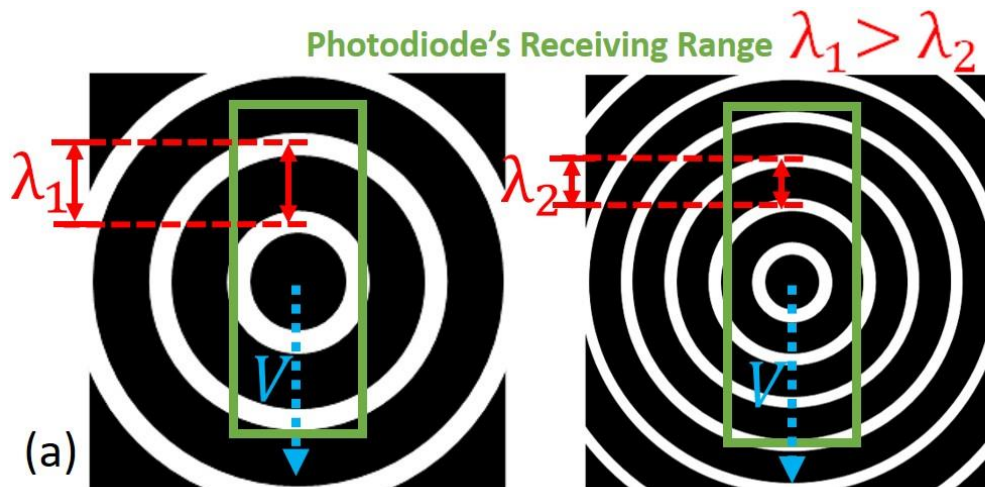
Theoretical Models

1. Surface tension measurement



Model of the location of a reflection point.

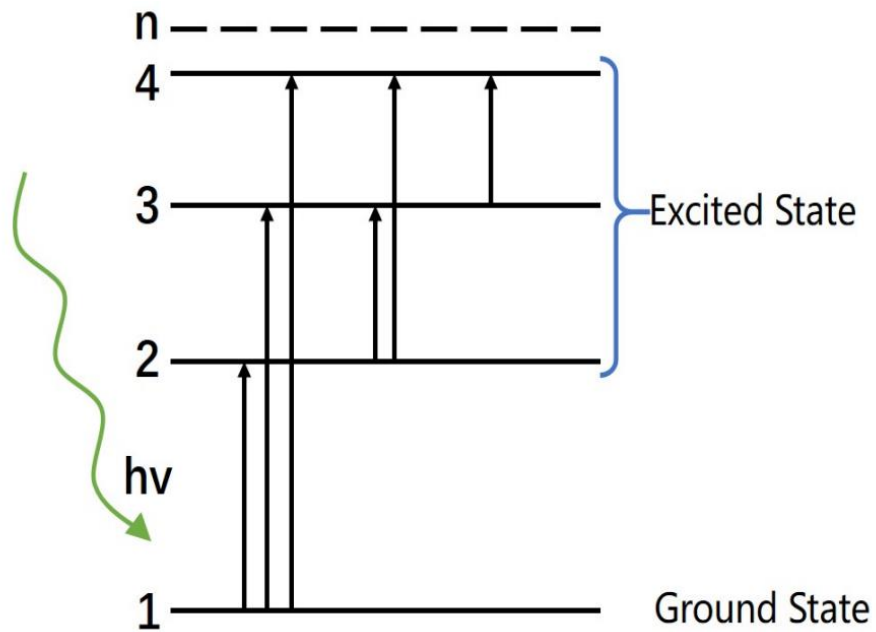
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_0 = k\lambda + c \quad (1) \\ \alpha_1 = \arctan \left| \frac{\frac{\sin a_0 - H}{a_0 - L} + \frac{1}{\cos a_0}}{1 - \frac{\sin a_0 - H}{a_0 - L} \frac{1}{\cos a_0}} \right| \quad (2) \\ \alpha_2 = \arctan \left| \frac{\tan \beta + \frac{1}{\cos a_0}}{1 - \frac{\tan \beta}{\cos a_0}} \right| \quad (3) \\ \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 \quad (4) \end{array} \right.$$



Simulation model. (a) Top view. (b) Changes in the intensity of light received by the photodiode.

Theoretical models

2. Absorption spectrum measurement



Absorption Spectrum Model.

Light frequencies for transition

$$\nu = \frac{E_q - E_0}{h}$$

Excited atom energy Ground-state energy
Planck constant

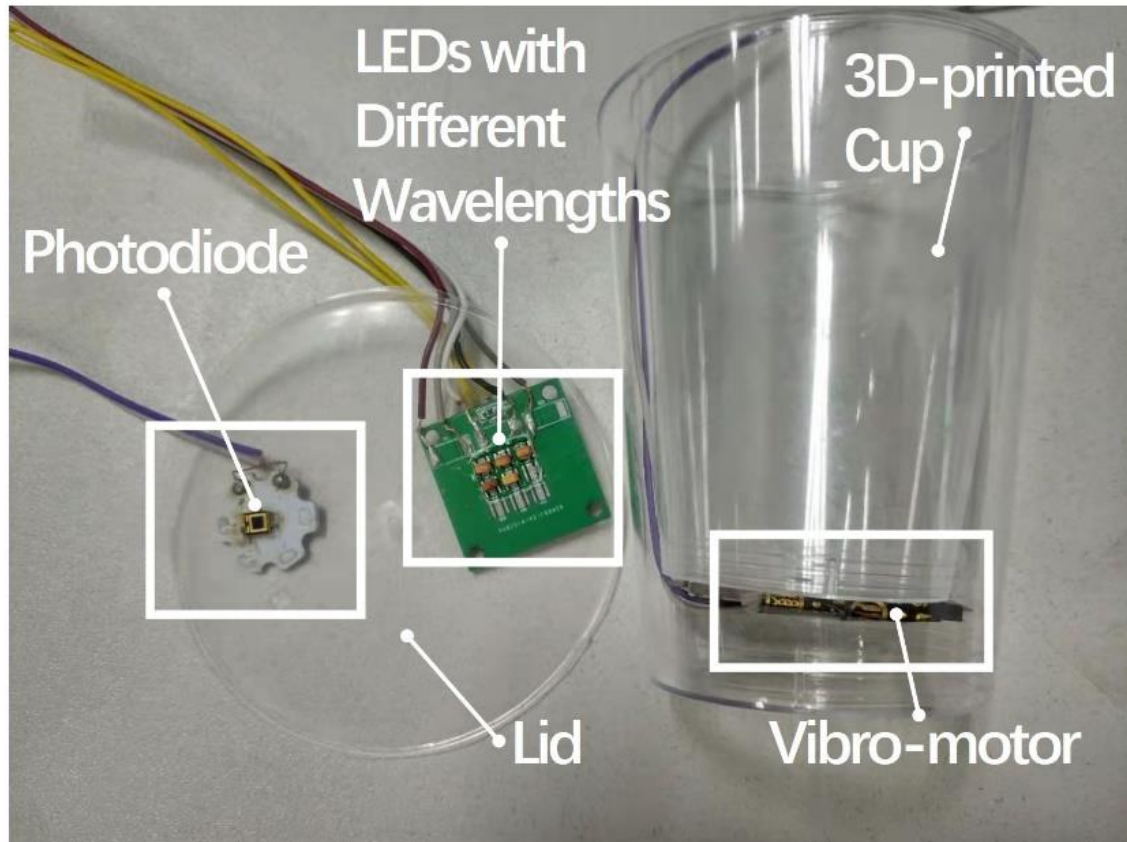
Number of atomic absorption spectra

$$N_{em} = \frac{n^2}{2}$$

Microorganisms change the liquid composition and destroy parts of an element's atomic structure.

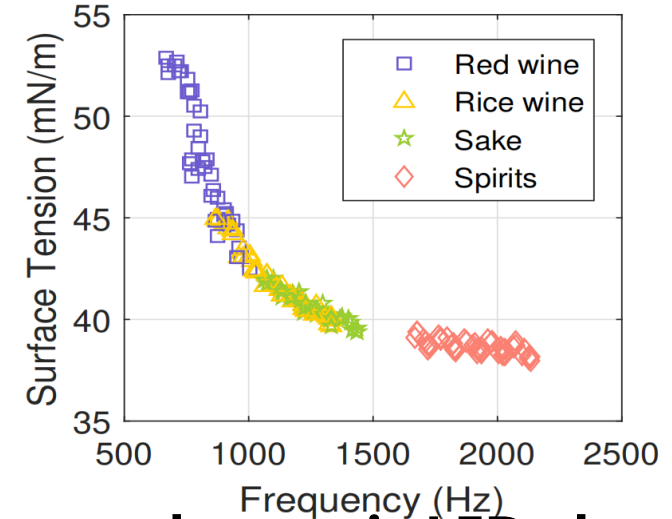
Feasibility Study

Experimental Setup

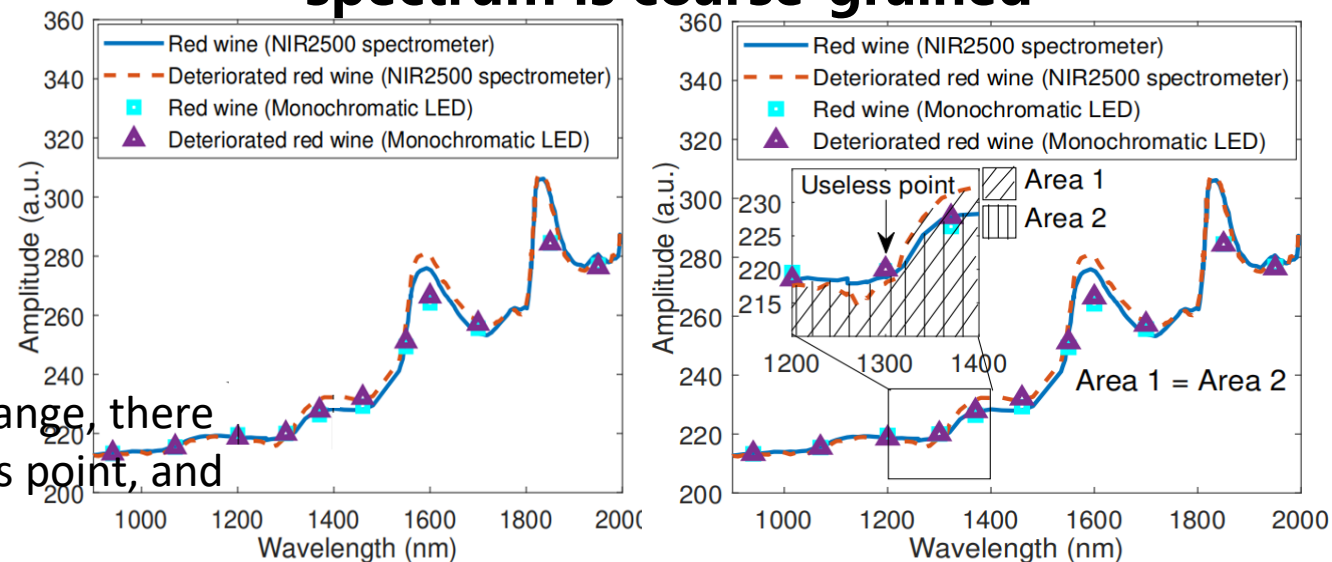


As long as the absorption spectral area does not change, there is no difference in the light intensity obtained at this point, and no deterioration can be detected

1. Matching of Surface tension model

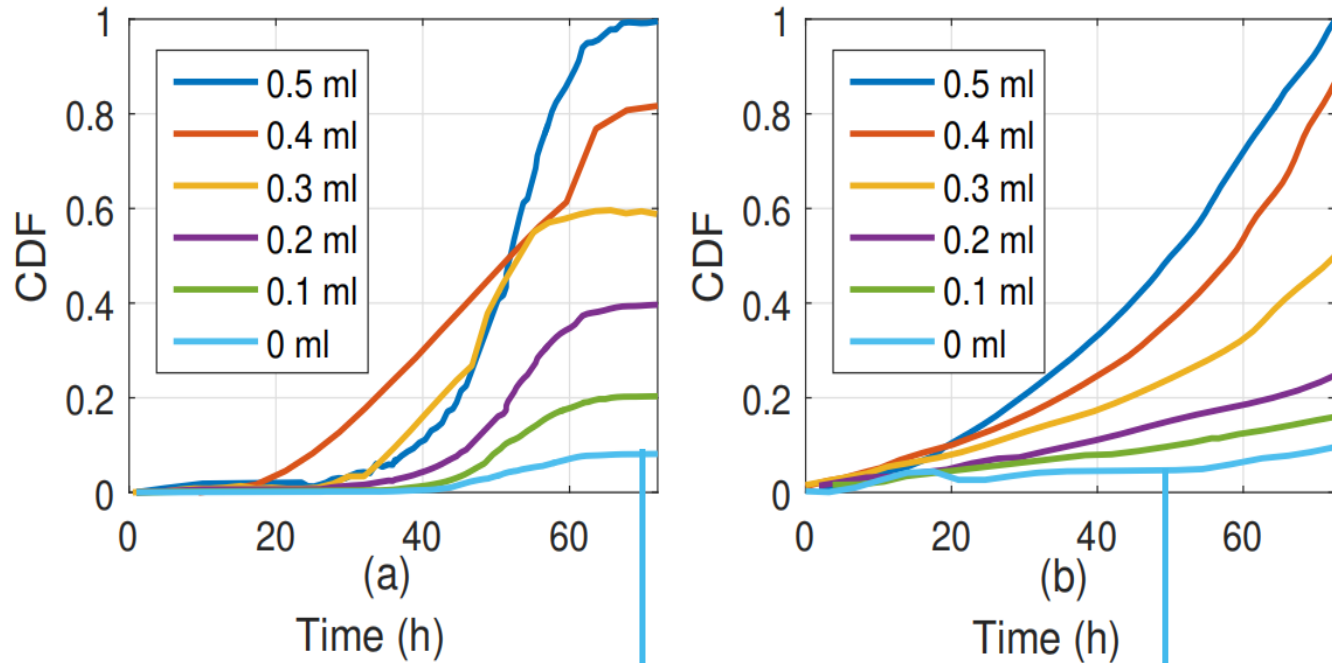


2. The monochromatic LED absorption spectrum is coarse-grained



Feasibility Study

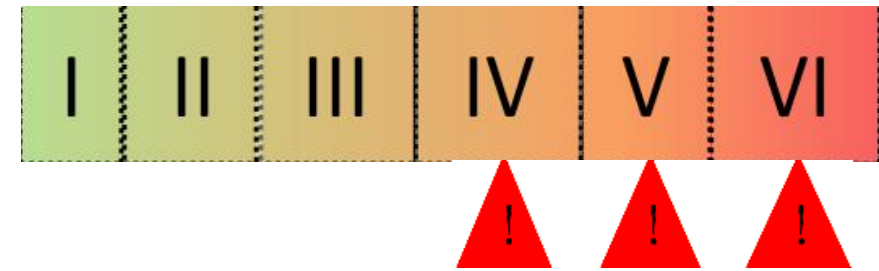
5. Measurement of Liquor Deterioration



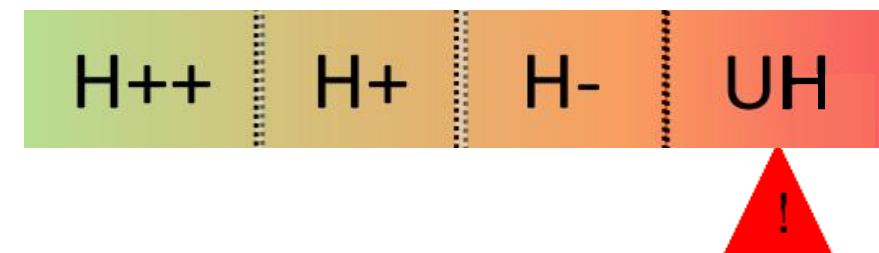
$$\vec{L}_{Mea}(t) = [MSF_t, MAS_i(t)]$$

$$\vec{L}_{Mea}(t_0) = [MSF_{t_0}, MAS_i(t_0)]$$

I (12 h) *IV* (48 h)
II (24 h) *V* (56 h)
III (36 h) *VI* (72 h)

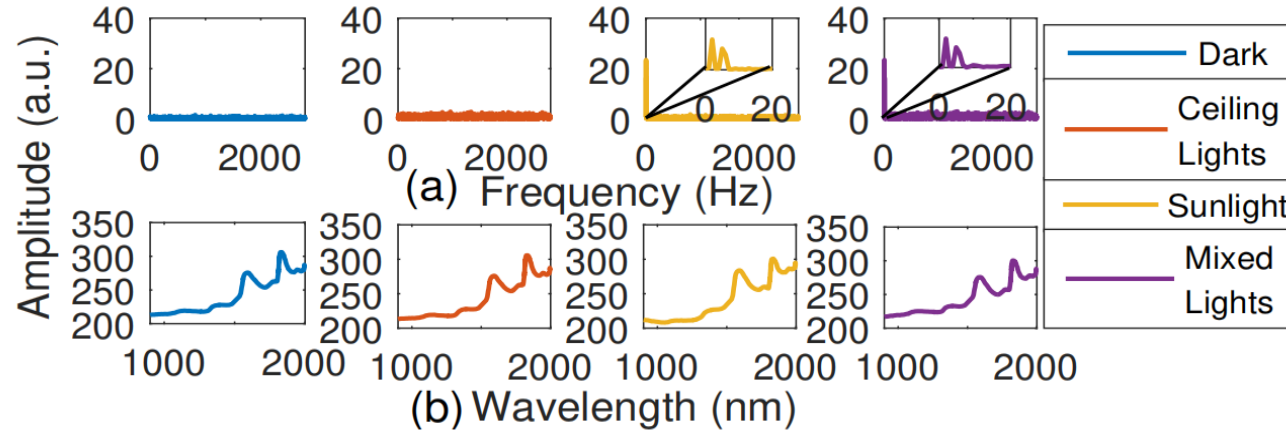


Hygiene++ (0 – 10² units)
Hygiene+ (10² – 10³ units)
Hygiene- (10³ – 10⁴ units)
Unhygienic (greater than 10⁴ units)



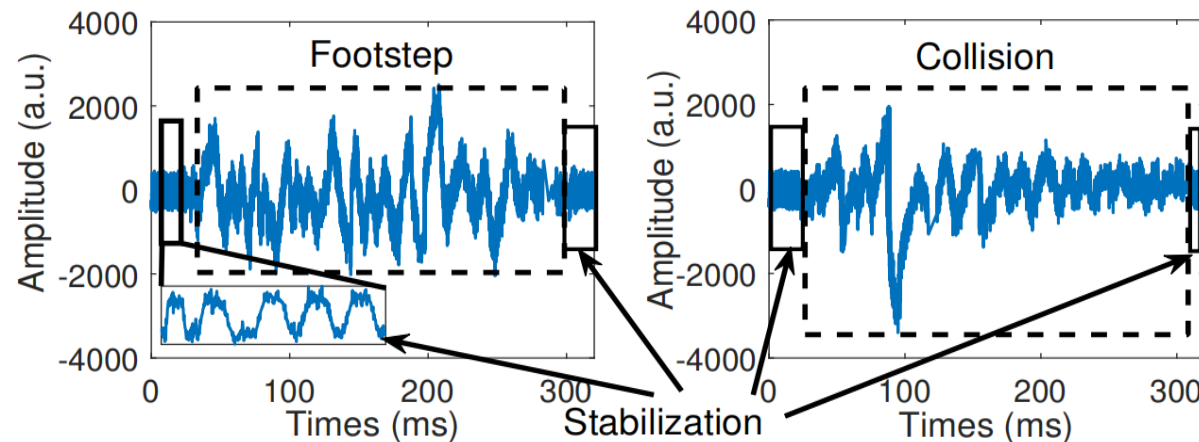
System Design

Eliminate Ambient light Noise.



Subtracts the ambient light amplitude-frequency curve to eliminate ambient light noise.

Reducing Interference from Sloshing



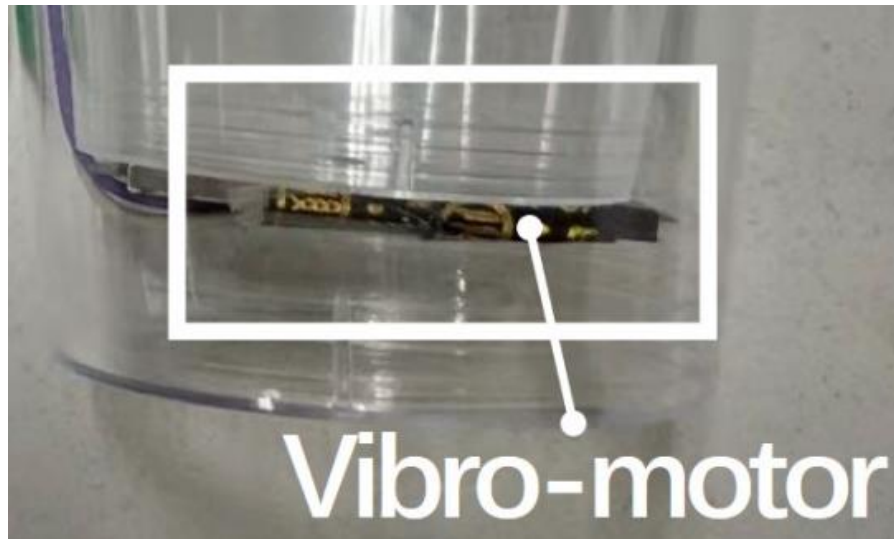
Average amplitude $\bar{A} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^T I_t$

Amplitude sum $S = \sum_{t=(n-1)T}^{nT} |I_t - \bar{A}|$

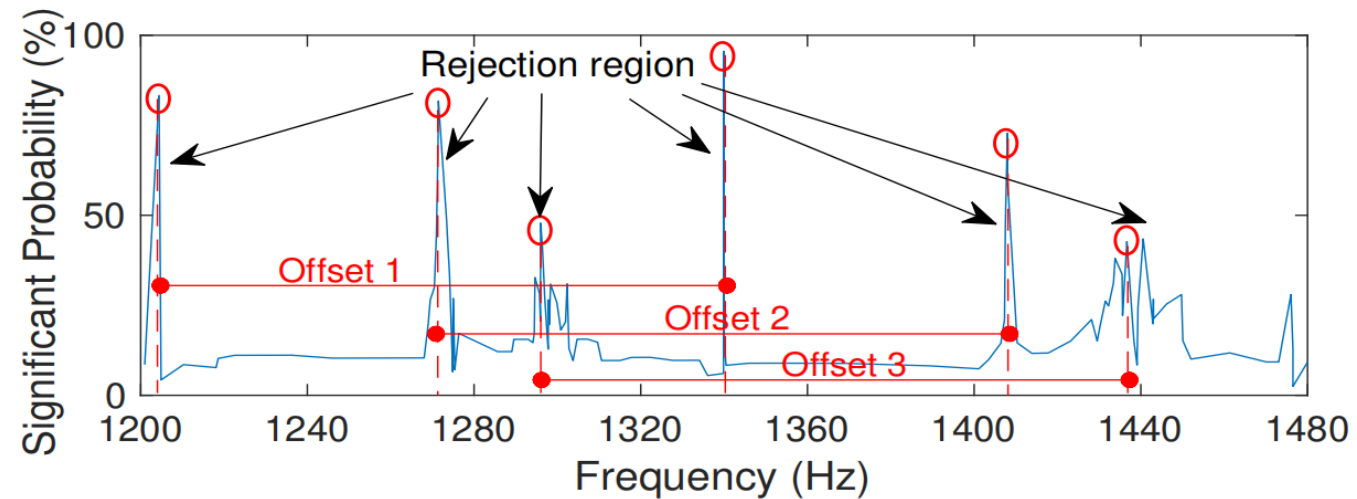
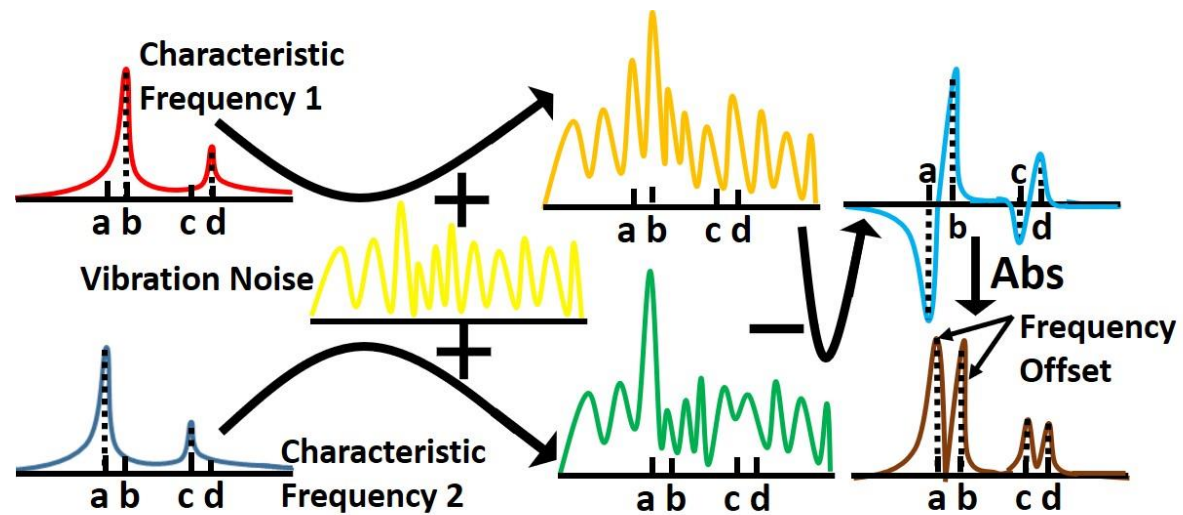
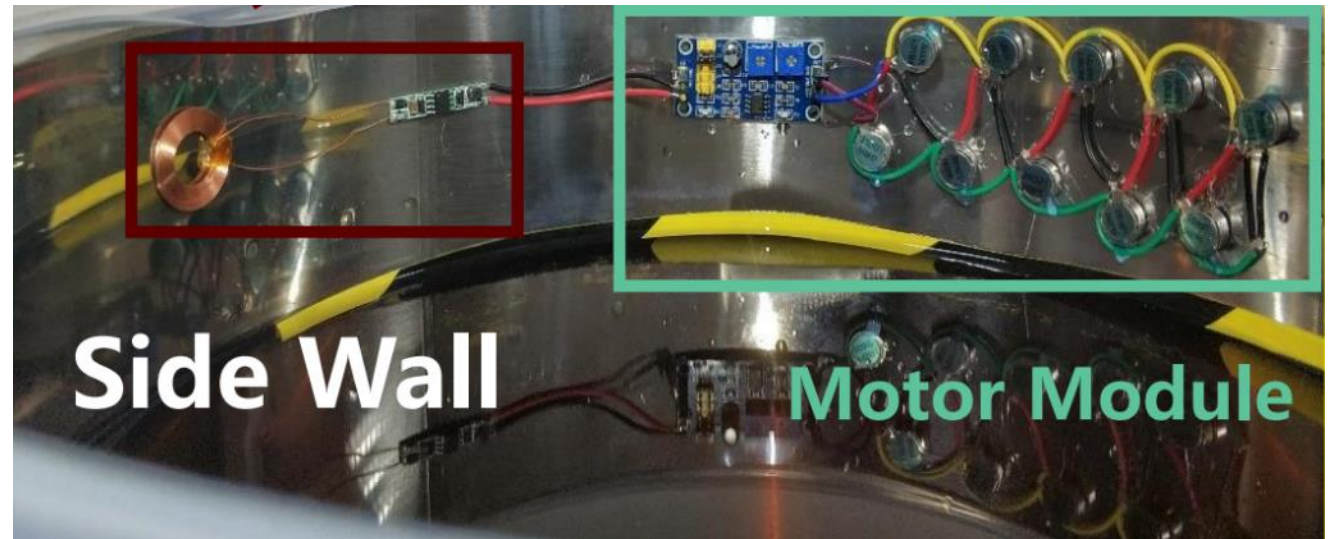
When the amplitude sum exceeds the threshold, Suspend the measurement for 30 s.

System Design

Double-layered 3D-printed cup

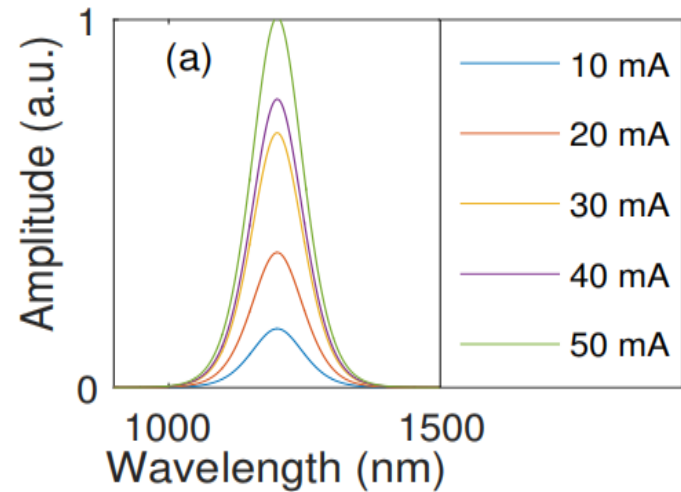


Real brewing equipment

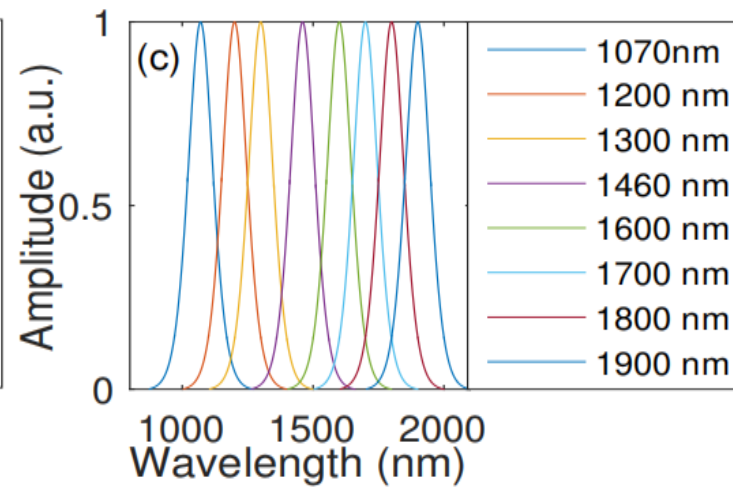


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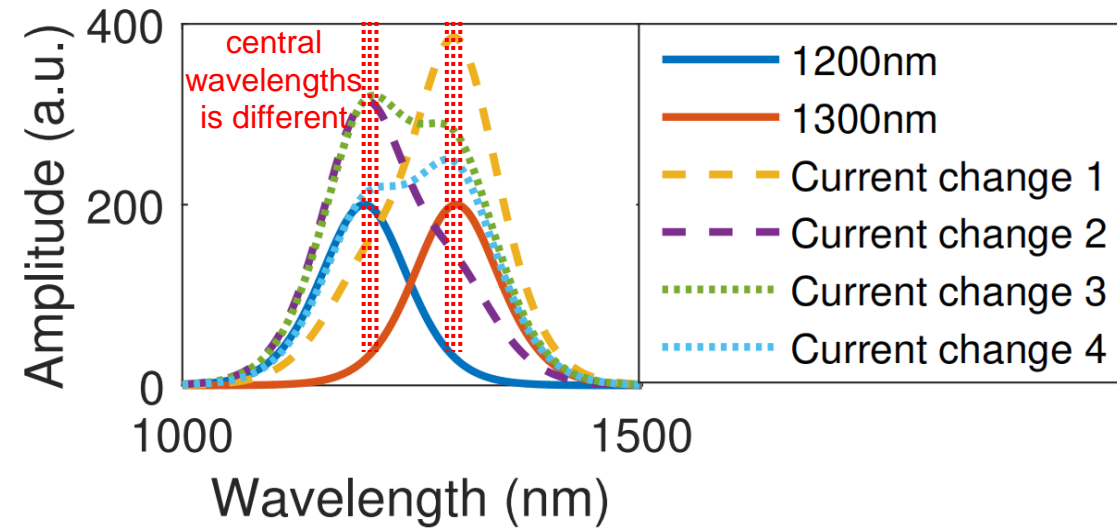
As the current increased, the FWHM of the LED spectrum gradually expanded



The spectral distribution of Lili's LEDs.



Different current combinations are adjusted to obtain spectra of different central wavelengths.

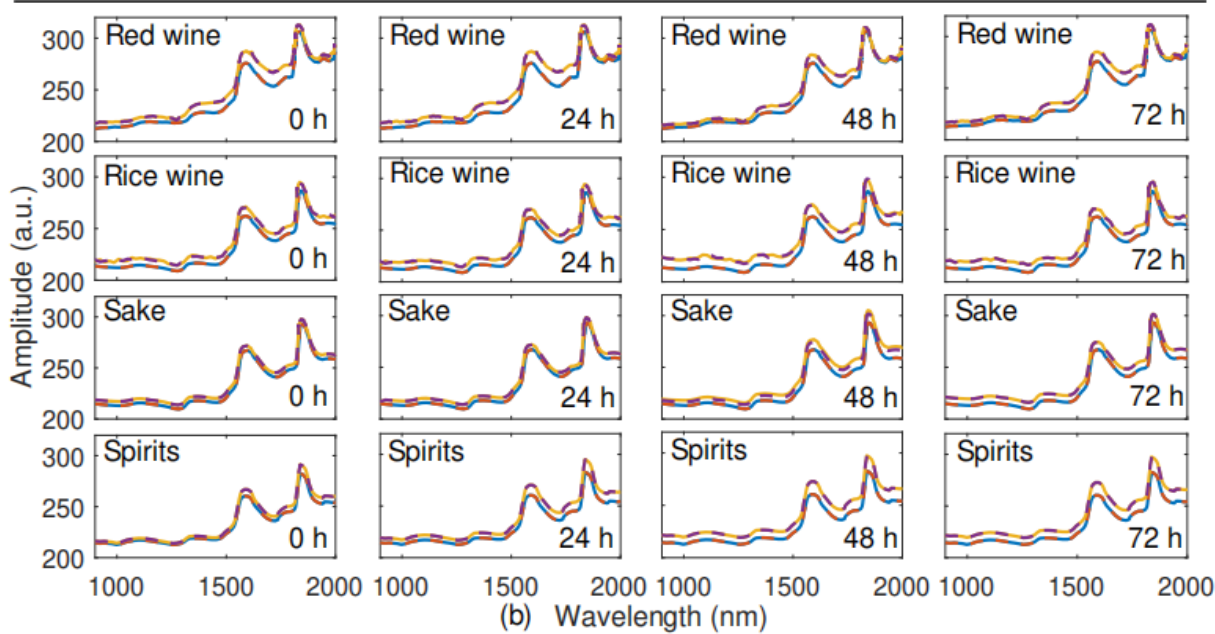
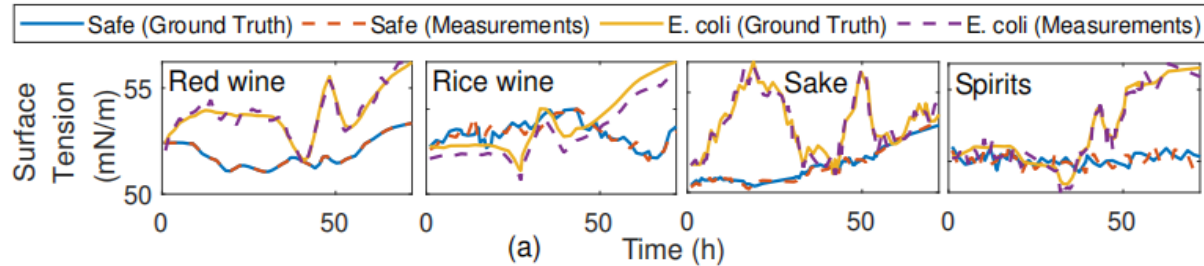




Evaluation

Liquor Monitoring Performance

Measurement Accuracy for Different Liquors



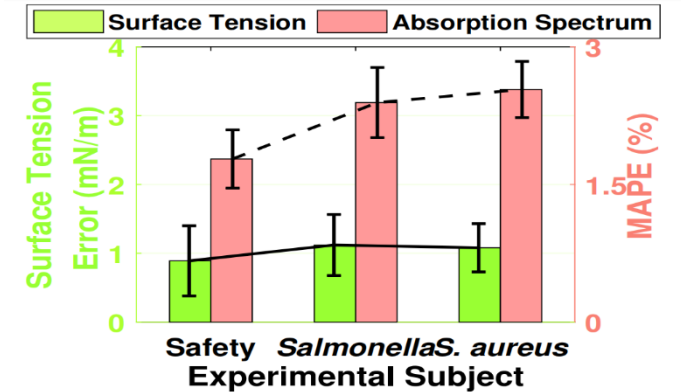
Safety group

surface tension error: 0.89 mN/m
absorption spectra MAPE 2.37%

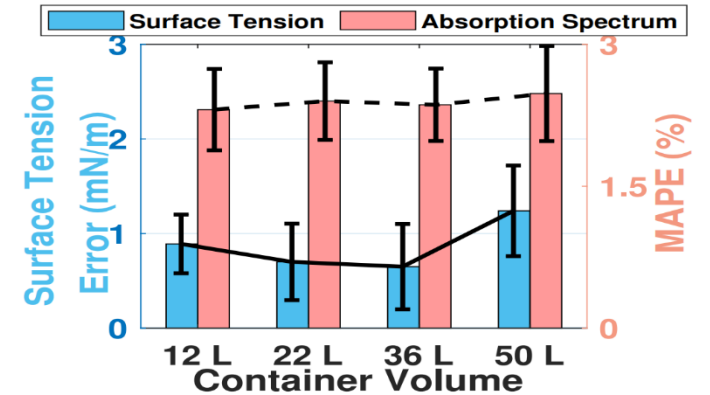
E. coli group

surface tension error: 1.16 mN/m
absorption spectra MAPE 3.04%

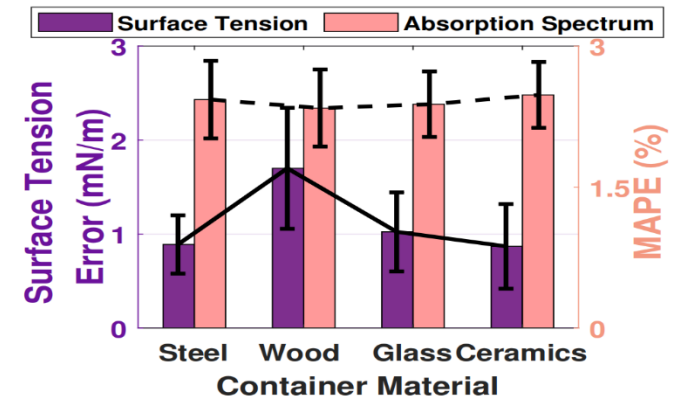
Different Pathogenic Bacteria



Different Container Volumes



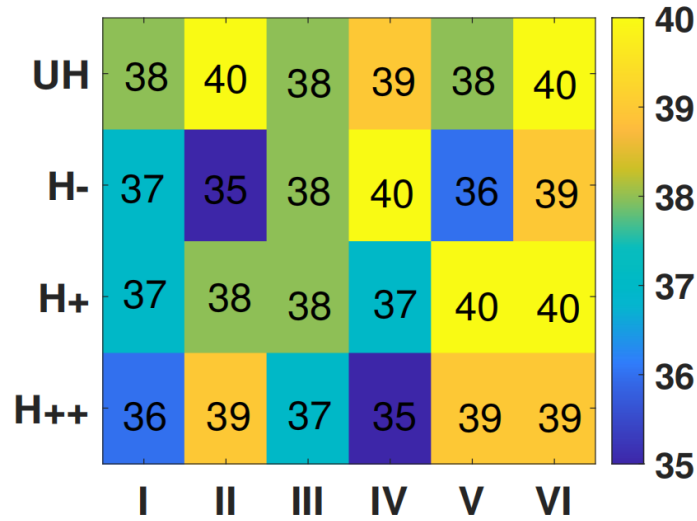
Different Container Materials



Evaluation

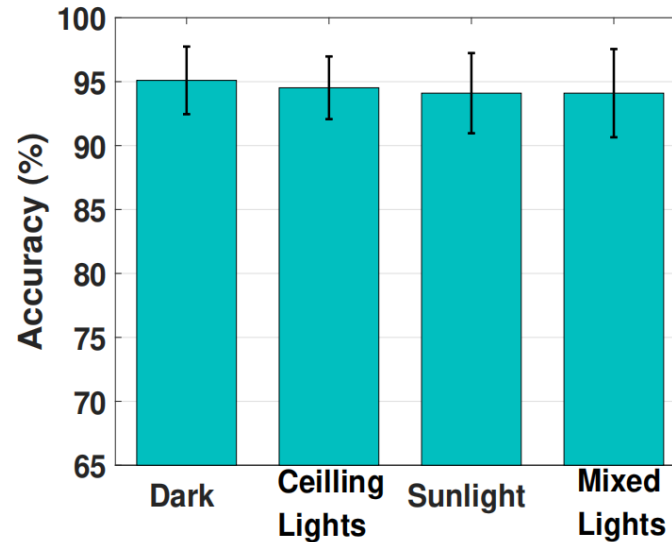
Liquors Quality Determination

Baseline



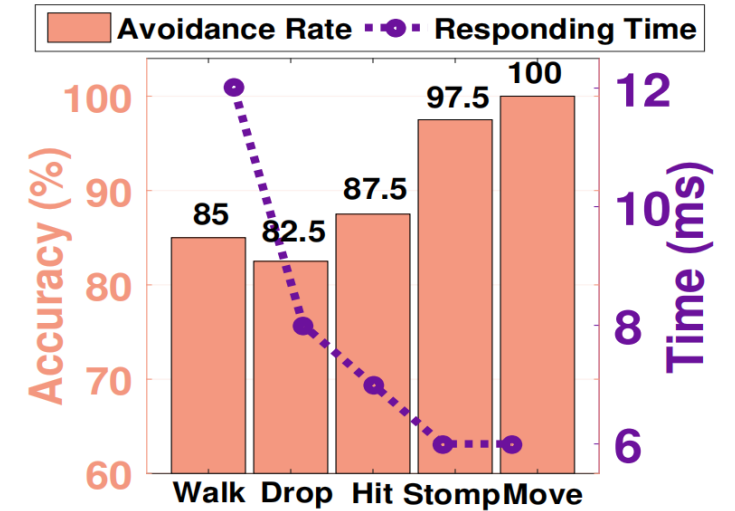
The accuracy of identifying categories that impact health was **97.5%**

Ambient light Interference



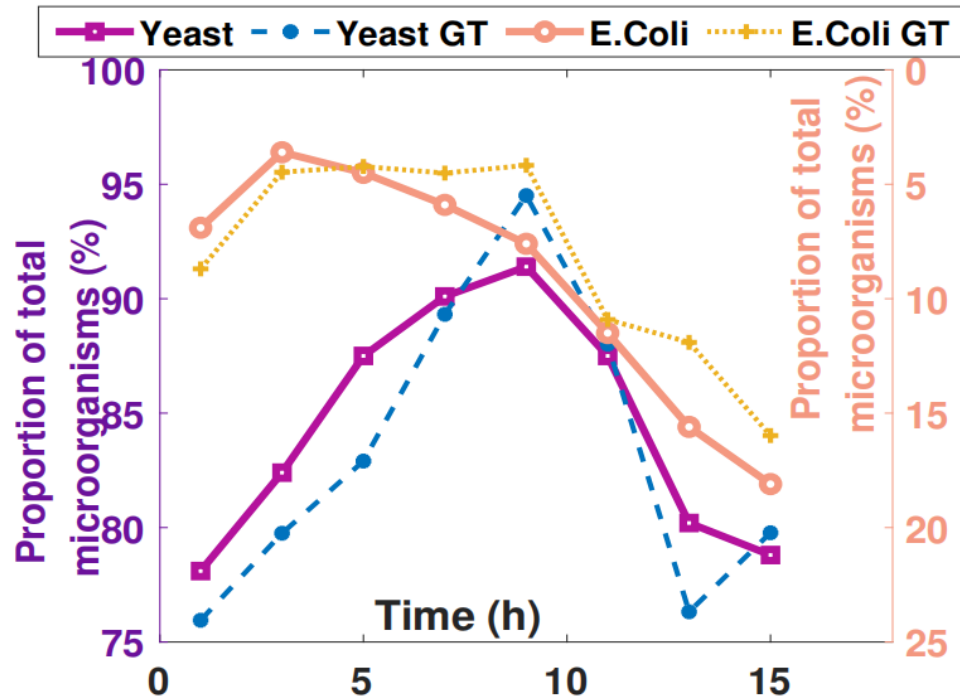
Lili could adapt to different types of ambient light with a mean accuracy of **94.6%**

Interference from Liquor Sloshing



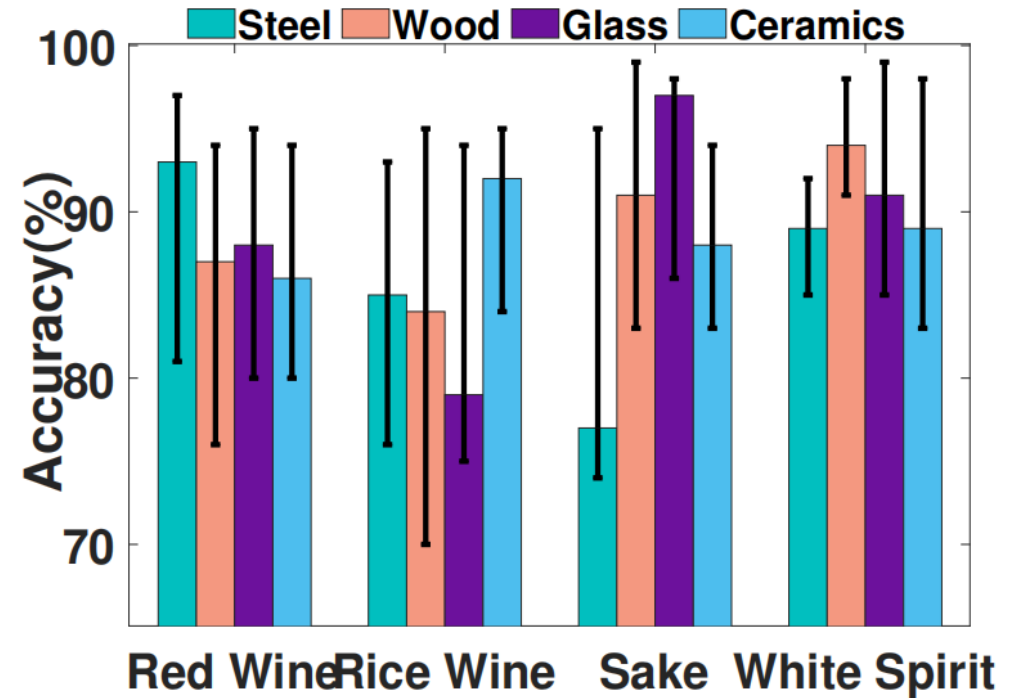
Lili could also quickly distinguish sloshing interferences with a mean accuracy of **90.5%**, and response time of **7.8 ms**

Microorganism Composition



The MAPE in identifying the yeast and E. coli was only **2.33%** and **1.77%**

Alcohol Concentration



The alcohol content identification accuracy was **88.13%**

Summary

- Lili can robustly and accurately detects the changes in surface tension and absorption spectrum caused by microbial metabolites and growth during deterioration.
- We proposed a Characteristic Offset Degree Measurement model to guide the photodiode to calculate the surface tension under the low signal-to-noise ratio condition.
- We also presented the Dimension Expansion of Coarse-grained Absorption Spectrum model to solve the subtle changes in substances that monochromatic LEDs cannot detect.
- In addition, we implemented countermeasures against ambient light noise and sloshing interference.

Thank you for your listening!

