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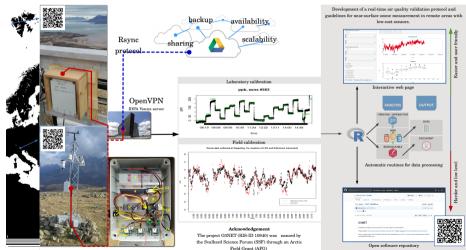


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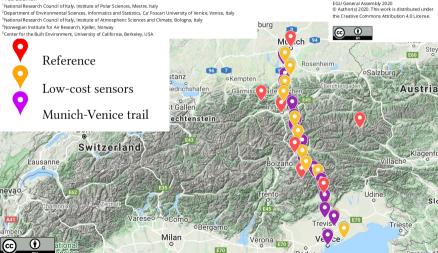




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Summary part 1/3

The adoption of air quality low-cost sensors network is of a great interest for citizen society and scientific community. Many studies have been conducted in recent years to address some of the critical aspects of such networks, such as data quality, but while most of these study are conducted in the built environment, there is a lack of studies in remote regions of the Earth.

Monitoring remote areas of the planet such as the Alps and Polar regions is of critical importance as these are the most affected by Climate Change and the development of autonomous, rugged low-cost wireless sensor network (WSN) could be of a great help in the support of well known international programs such as the Global Atmospheric Watch (GAW) network.





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Summary part 2/3

In the following are summarized the results (papers in preparation) obtained using a low-cost sensing system developed for evaluating tropospheric Ozone in co-location with reference-grade instrumentation present at the Zeppelin Observatory in Svalbard and the Col Margherita Observatory in the Italian Eastern Alps.

The sensing system mounts four equivalent commercial electrochemical sensors (Alphasense OX-B431) that have been calibrated in a GAW reference laboratory prior to field deployment.

This work demonstrate the methodology that can be implemented to obtain useful data from a low-cost sensory system and the strategy to scale the project into a wide sensory network to be used in remote harsh environment.





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Summary part 3/3

PIONEER will exploit the existing open source technologies and commercial low-cost sensors to provide a LCS-WSN systems for long term climate data collection, a cloud-assisted database for time series collection and management, a web portal for uploading, displaying, performing statistical analysis and downloading records and metadata in a fully open access fashion, acomprehensive open source repository with tools, guidelines and application developed. The software will be open-source and released under copyleft license, thus allowing the complete reproducibility of all the developed devices and tools.

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- 1. AC power wires
- 2. ethernet wire
- 3. power supply
- 4. charge regulator
- 5. 12 V, 2.3 Ah battery
- 6. DC/DC. 12 to 5 VDC
- 7. a) USB power wire for the b) Raspberry Pi
- 8. DAQ Data acquisition
- 9. Alphasense Ozone Low-Cost Sensors (LCSs)
- 10. sensor plug
- 11. "blank" sensor
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Raspberry Pi



Raspberry Pi is a low-cost small single-board computer

- + Linux OS
- + many free software libreries available
- + easy to replace
- + you can buy online
- + \approx 40 EU
- not optimized (multi-purpose)
- "high" consumption (80 mA (0.4 W) up to 950 mA (5.0 W)!)



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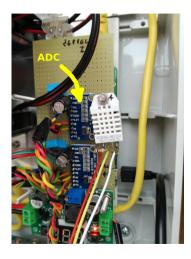
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ADS1115 16-Bit analog-to-digital converter(ADC)



- + wide supply range: 2.0V to 5.5V
- + low current consumption: 150 μ A
- + programmable data rate: 8-860 Hz
- + internal low-drift voltage reference
- + internal oscillator and PGA
- + I2C interface: pin-selectable addresses
- four single-ended or two differential inputs
- + you can buy online
- + free software libreries available for RPi
- + \approx 15 EU





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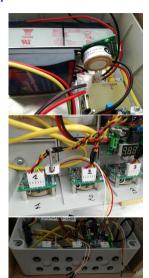
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Alphasense Ozone Sensors



- + easy to replace
- + you can buy online
- + \approx 150 EU
- ? reliable? Here some results from the laboratory calibration, from field tests and from literature.
- * a "blank" sensor is leaved inside the system with the aim of evaluating the stability of the calibration in time.



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Temperature and Relative Humidity



- + easy to replace
- + easy to buy online
- + 0-100% \pm 2-5% RH
- + -40 to 80 °C \pm 0.5 °C
- + \approx 10 EU

*There are plenty of LCSs that can be found online. E.g. https://www.adafruit.com/.



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Using OpenVPN to build a network



- "OpenVPN provides flexible VPN solutions to secure your data communications, whether it's for Internet privacy, remote access for employees, securing IoT, or for networking Cloud data centers."
- Each station is provided with a certificate to join a secured network where data can be shared
- There is no need to know the gateway with which the station is connected to the Internet



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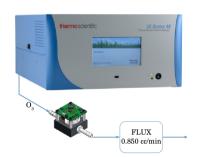
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LCSs Calibration part 1/2

LCSs have been calibrated at ISAC-CNR headquarters comparing mV output from LCSs with reference Ozone concentration produced with the Thermo Scientific Model 49i-PS Ozone Primary Standard.



- → Calibration procedure used for reference-grade instruments used in the WMO network
 - precision of 1 ppb
 - zero noise of 0.25 ppb
 - O₃ span from 0-250 ppb
 - ► ≈23 °C
 - \approx 50% RH
 - 21 step of random concentration
 - each step last for 20 min
 - total calibration time = $\frac{7hr}{LCS}$

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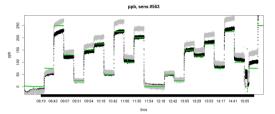
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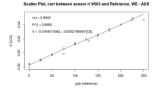


Figure: Voltage data of the low-cost sensor (#563) are calculated as concentration (black) and plotted against the reference (green). Concentration obtained by using intercept and regression coefficient provided by

An example of sensor's response in respect to the Ozone concentration is presented. A simple linear model

$$V_{([O_3])} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot [O_3]$$
 (1)

where β_0 is the intercept and β_1 is the regression coefficient related to ozone concentration is sufficient to obtain a good agreement between the reference and the LCS.



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Field Calibration part 1/3

Installation of the sensing system was carried out the 25th May 2018 at the Col Margherita Observatory and at the 3rd August 2018 at the Zeppelin Observatory in collaboration with the Norwegian Polar Institute (NPI) personnel.



Figure: Col Margherita Observatory 46.36683 N, 11.79192 E, 2543 m.a.s.l.





Figure: Zeppelin Observatory 78.90806 N, 011.88139 E, 475 m.a.s.l.

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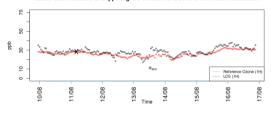
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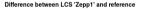


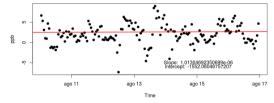


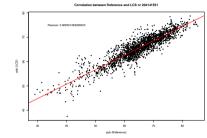
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Ozone data collected at Zeppeling, Co-location of LCS and Reference instrument









$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{cov(X,Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$







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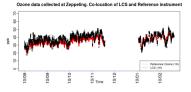
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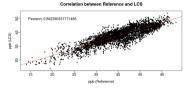
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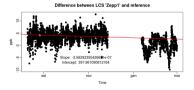
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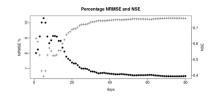
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$$\textit{NRMSE}_{\%} = \sqrt{rac{\sum_{t=1}^{T_{tot}}(x_{ref,t} - x_{lcs,t}^c)^2}{T^{tot}}} \cdot rac{1}{ar{x}_{ref,T^{tot}}} \%$$

$$NSE^{tot} = 1 - rac{\sum_{t=1}^{T^{tot}} (x_{ref,t} - x_{lcs,t}^c)^2}{\sum_{t=1}^{T^{tot}} (x_{ref,t} - \bar{x}_{ref,t})^2}$$



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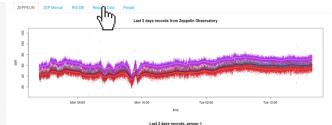
Ozone last readings:

Last record from Zeppelin Observatory at (UTC): 2019-04-09 18:30:34 Current Time (your time): 2019-04-09 19:49:06

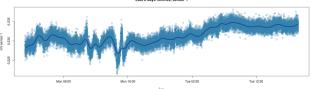
Current Values:

ZEP sensor 1, last Hr mean (ppb): 60.89 ± 3.33 ZEP sensor 2, last Hr mean (ppb): 73,36 ± 3,58 ZEP sensor 3, last Hr mean (ppb): 55.64 ± 4.66

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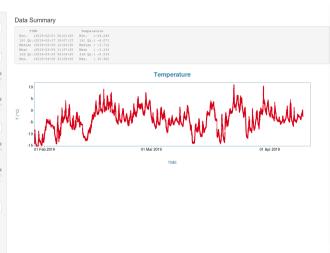






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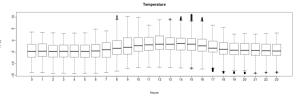


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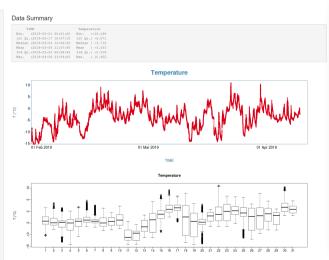






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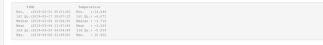
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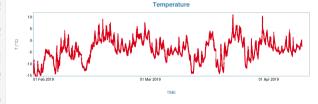
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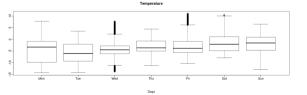
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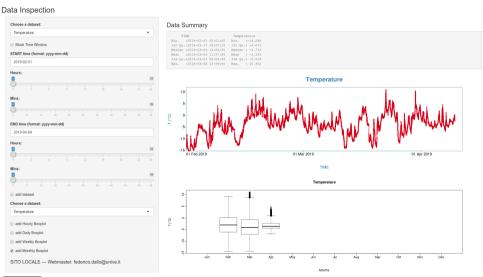
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