

Calibrating a Slocum pumped/unpumped and SeaGlider CTD

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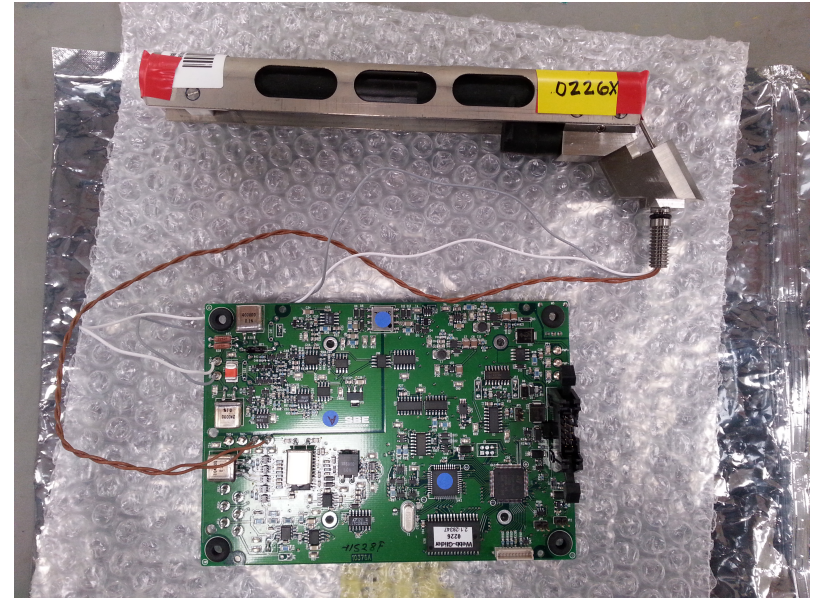


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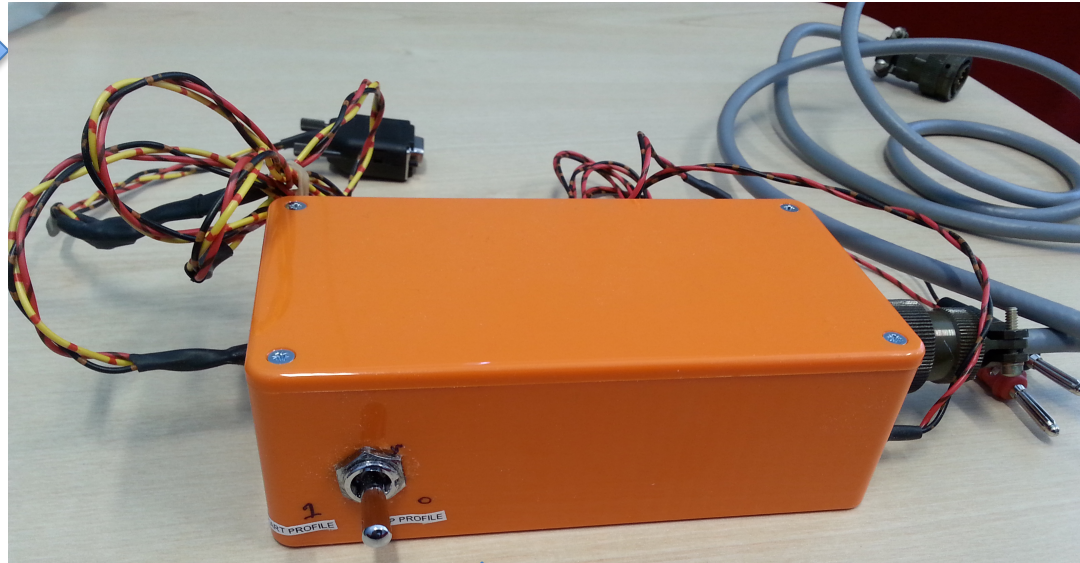


Slocum Glider pumped CTD



Slocum glider unpumped CTD

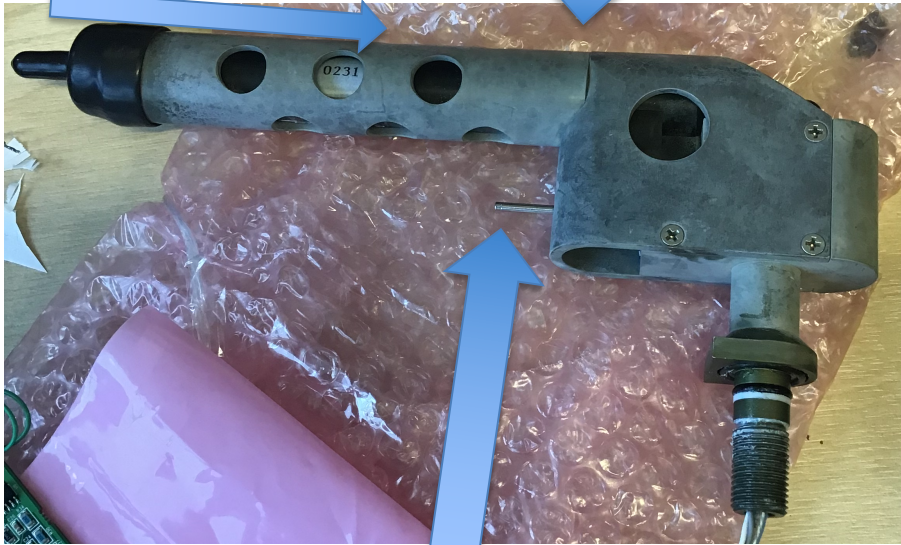
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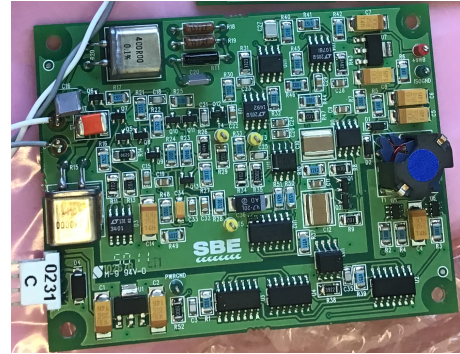
Seaglider

Conductivity Sensor

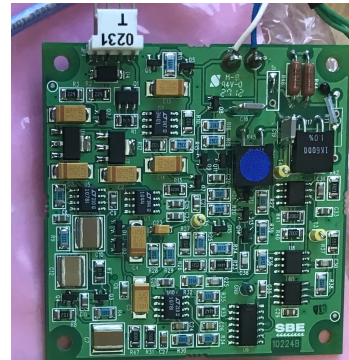
Entrance to sensor



Temperature Sensor



Conductivity Board



Temperature board



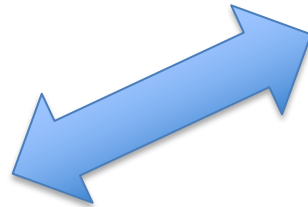
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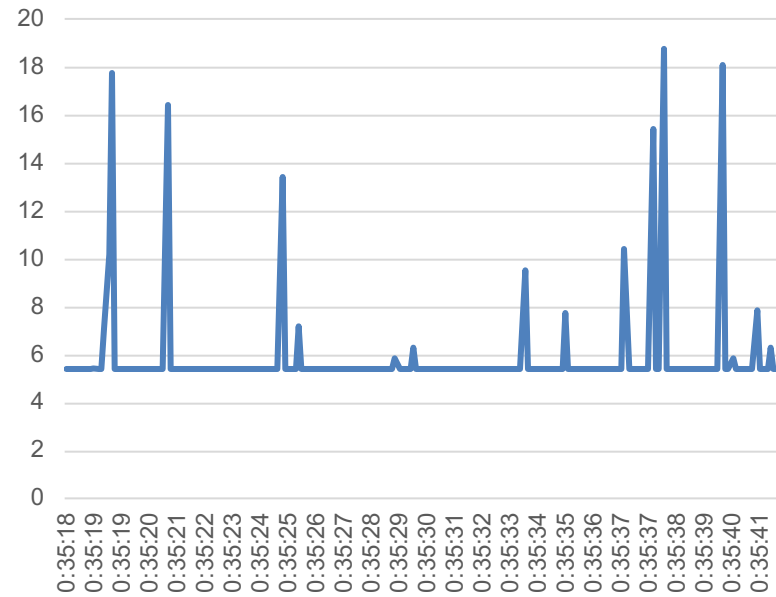
Seaglider

- Frequency output from both boards
- Runs on about ~10v from (Measured from glider)



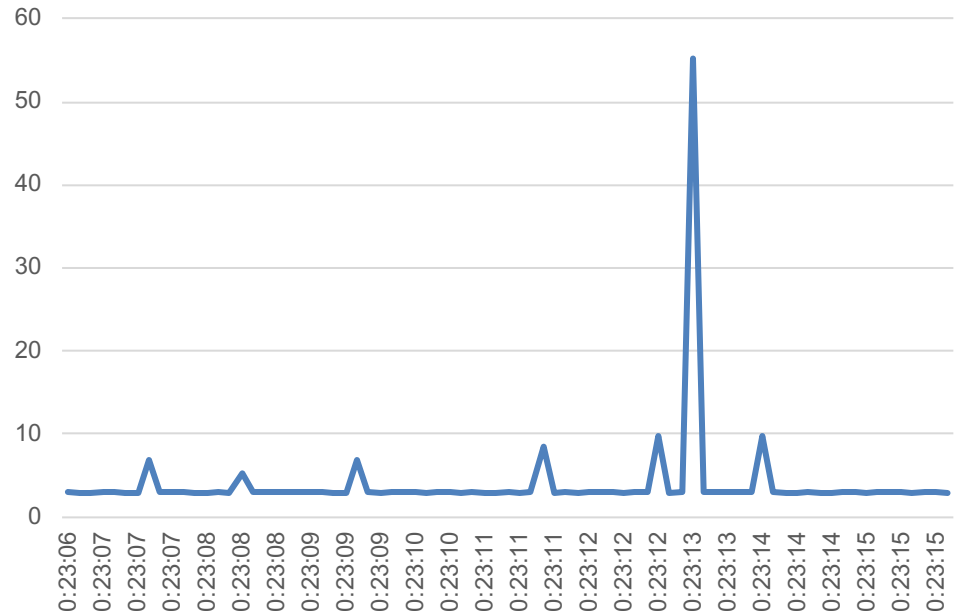
Progress – Initial attempt

Chart Title



From the temperature sensor

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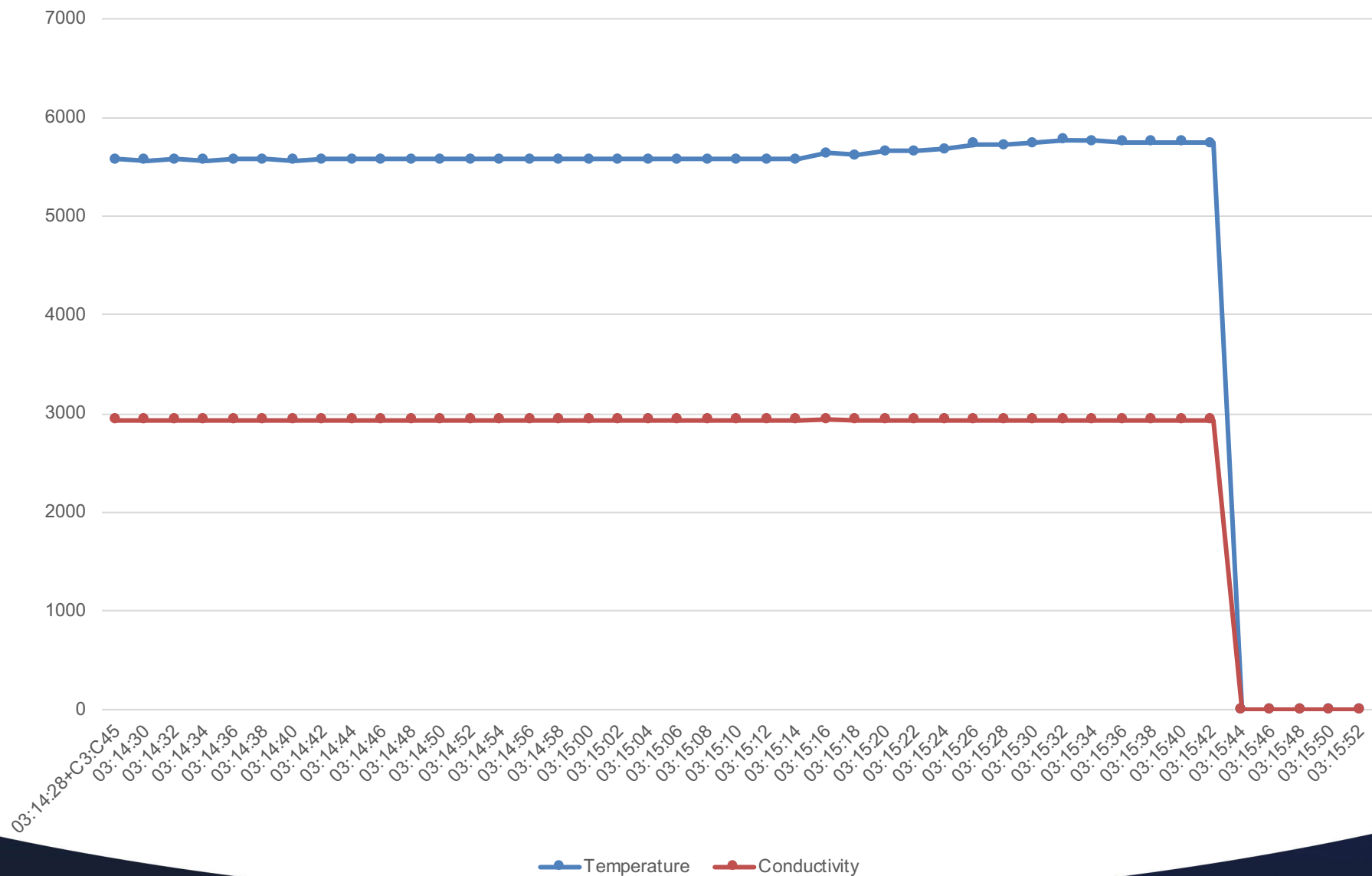


From the conductivity sensor



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Fault detection

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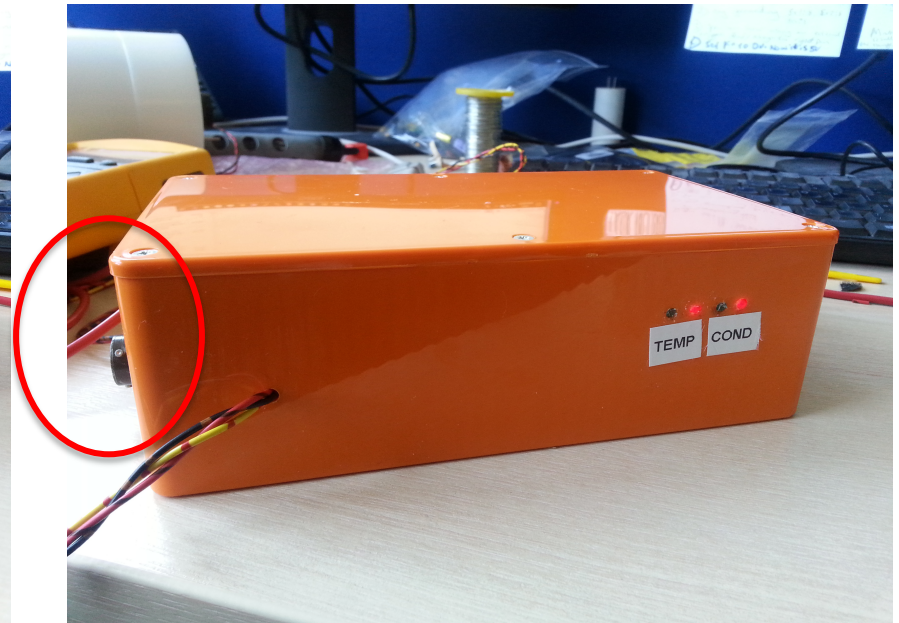
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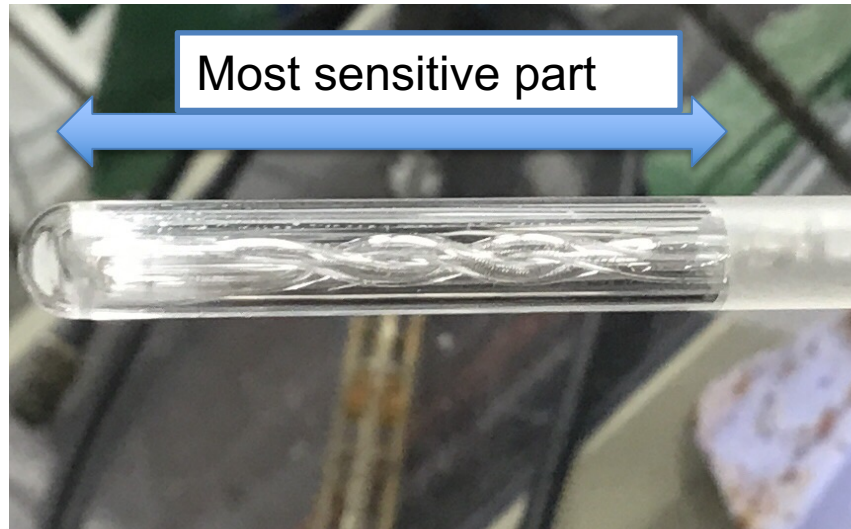
The Calibration Laboratory

- Seabird, RBR, Aanderaa and AML instruments can be calibrated as well as a range of other oceanographic instruments.
- Calibration parameters include Temperature, Pressure, Conductivity and Salinity samples.
- Guildline Salinometers can be serviced, aligned and repaired.
- All measurements are traceable to National Standards and the laboratory is currently in the process of achieving ISO 9001.
- The laboratory has over 20 years of calibration experience (the last 10 specifically with oceanographic instrumentation).
- Calibration Checks are also available if full calibrations are not required.



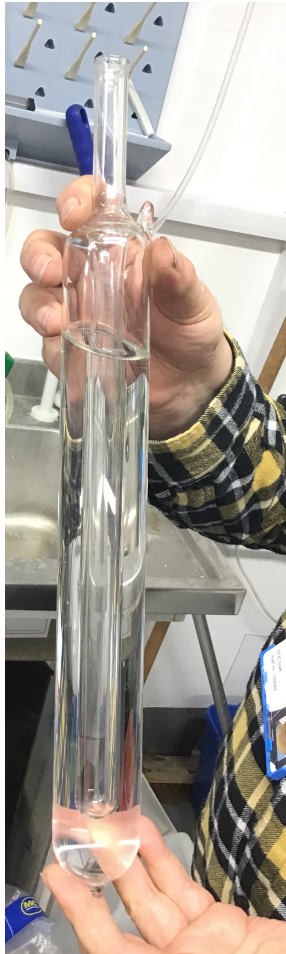
How we calibrate the Temperature probe

- Temperature controlled bath
- HART 7051
 - Standard Platinum Resistance Thermometer
 - Calibrated at the National Physical Laboratory (NPL) in London
 - The bath is profiled to find the best spot (Hot and cold). Immersion depth 200mm (Below the surface of the water)
 - Allow 30Mins to 1hr for everything to settle before taking any readings

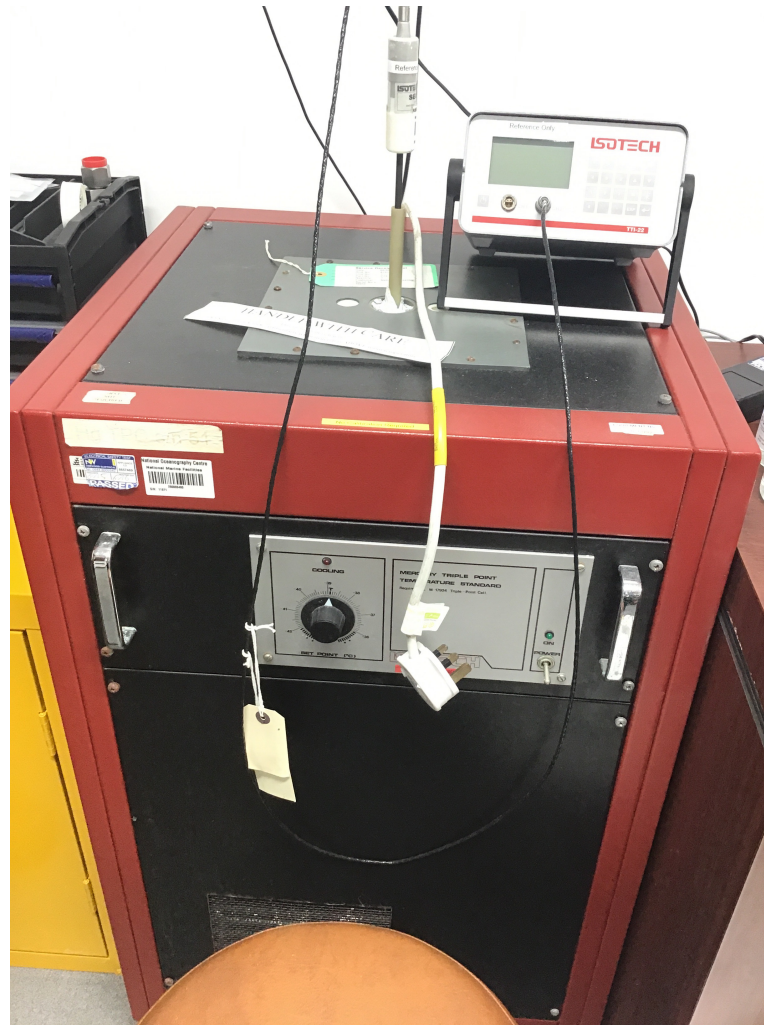


How we calibrate the Temperature probe

- Triple point cell
- Water



- Mercury



How we calibrate the Conductivity Sensor

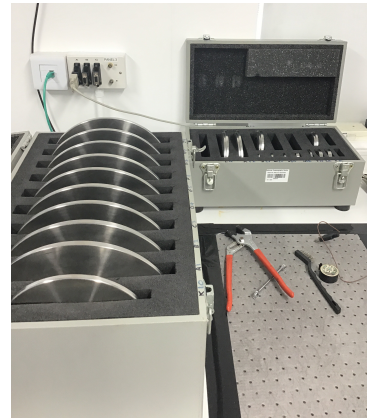
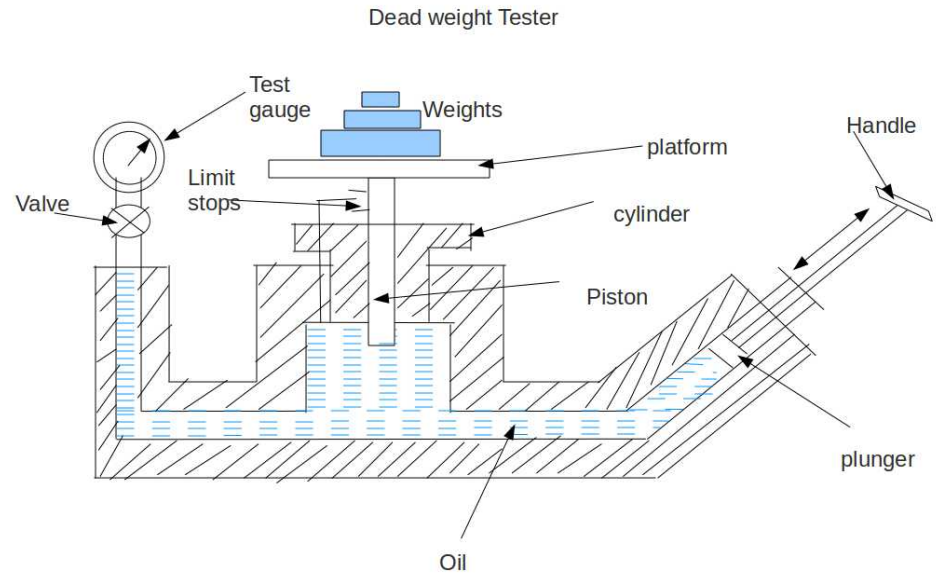
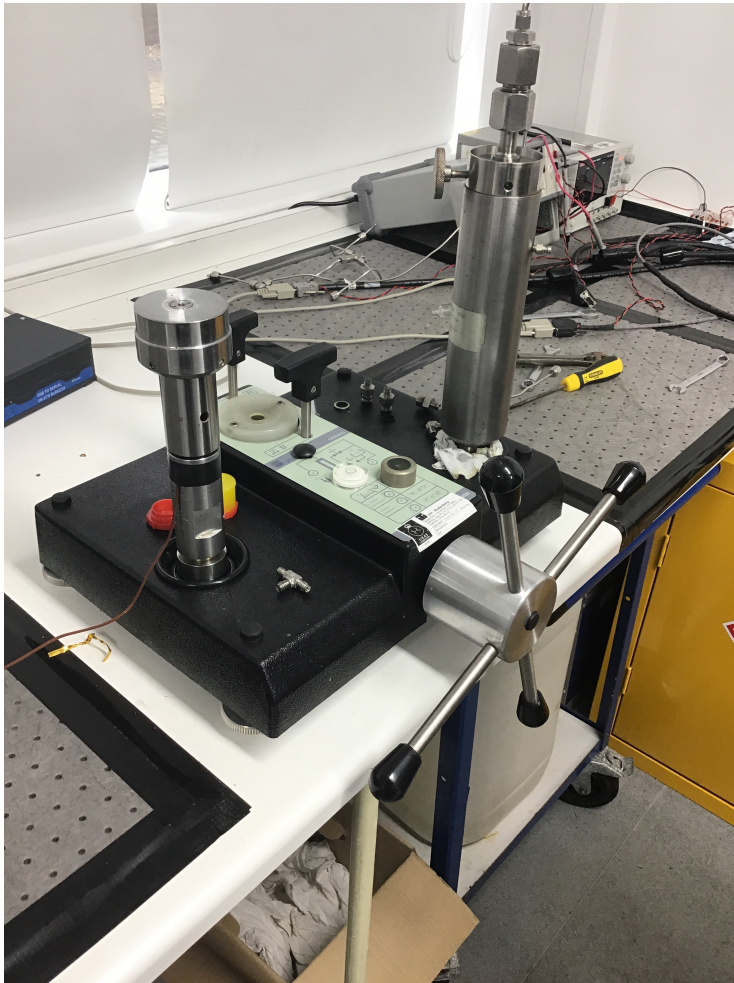


Salinometer - a device designed to measure the salinity, or dissolved salt content of a solution.



How we calibrate the Pressure/depth Sensor

Dead weight tester



Advantages

- Rapid testing. You do not have to connect the CT to the glider before you can test it.
- Fault detection for the seaglider CT
- Faster calibration to industrial standard
- Calibration laboratory that other glider groups can use



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