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Indoormonitoring

LabVIEW on a Raspberry Pi and LabVIEW NXG Dashboard

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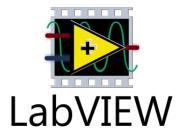
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- Father of 2 (Willeke 9y, Giel 7y)
- Hobbies: Photography, Running, LabVIEW
- Project Architect @ VI Technologies
- Using LabVIEW since 2008
- Using TestStand since 2013
- Certifications:

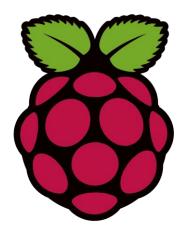














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Why Did I start this project



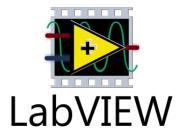


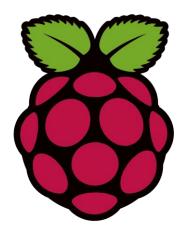


- Thermostat in the wrong room
- Thermostatic cranes not broken
- Steffan = always cold
- Bas = always warm
- Jeffrey = always 'configuring' the thermostat and/or cranes









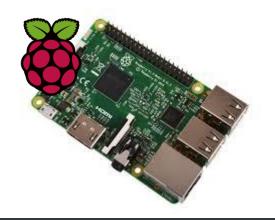


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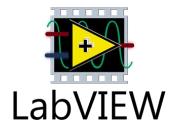
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What is the setup?









- Raspberry Pi(3B) with I2C sensor
- Good old LabVIEW (2014)
- New LabVIEW NXG
- NXG Webmodule
- SystemLink Server

NXG Web Module





How do we program a RPI with LabVIEW

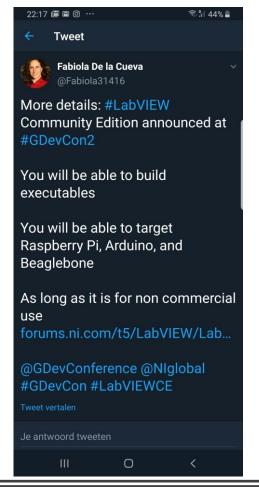
A few options:

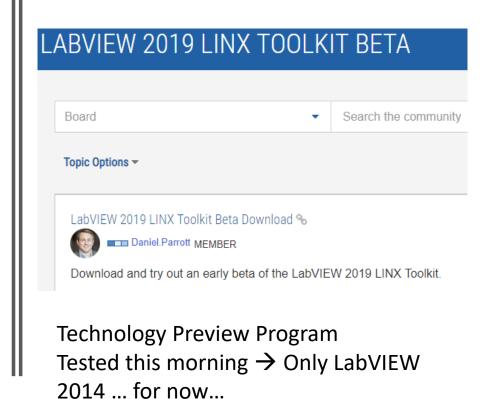
- TS Experts for Raspberry Pi you can make Ul's but has a license cost. Compiles to Python. Limited LabVIEW functions available.
- <u>LabVIEW Makerhub</u> LINX Library: you can't make UI's. It is FREE. All Functions.

I've chosen for the LabVIEW Makerhub:

- ✓ Free
- ✓ Easy to install
- ✓ Support forum (a bit quiet lately)
- LabVIEW 2014 but ...







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What will you use the LabVIEW Community Edition for?

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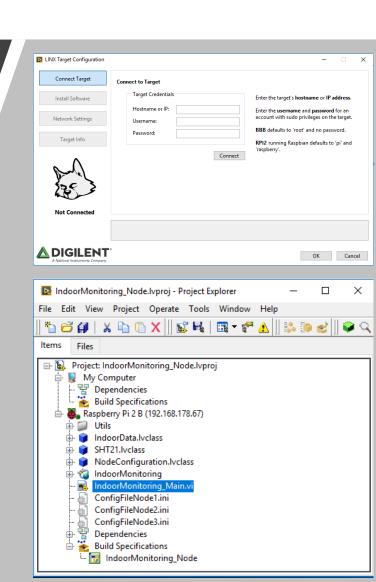
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Raspberry Pi Installation "makerhub"

- Basic steps: (<u>Tutorials</u> are online with videos)
 - Download Raspbian image from <u>raspberrypi.org</u>
 - Flash the image with Win32DiskImager on uSD
 - Boot and <u>Configure</u> your RPI
 - Install LabVIEW 2014 + LINX library (VIPM)
 - Use the Target Configuration Wizard
 - Add a new LINX device to a project

- Extra Steps: (For RPI 3B):
 - SO linking fix
 - Optional fix for system CMDs

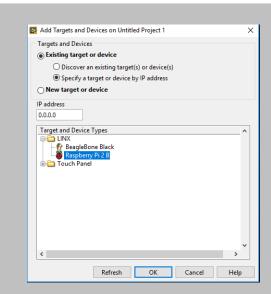


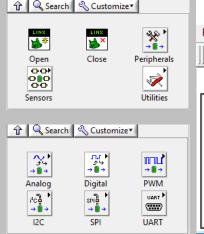
Installation on target demo

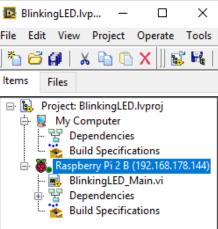


Raspberry Pi Programming

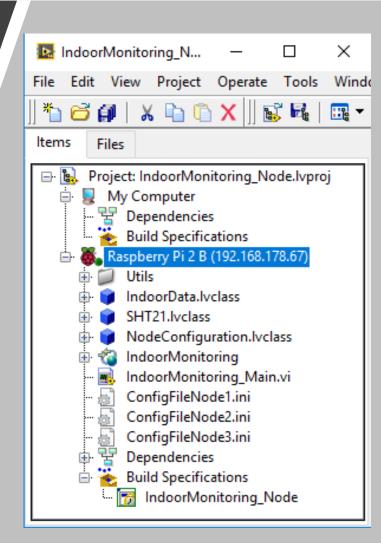
- Raspberry Pi target in project
 - Add target > LINX device > Raspberry Pi
- All standard LabVIEW functions are available
- Classes are supported (Also OpenGDS)
- LINX library to control IO



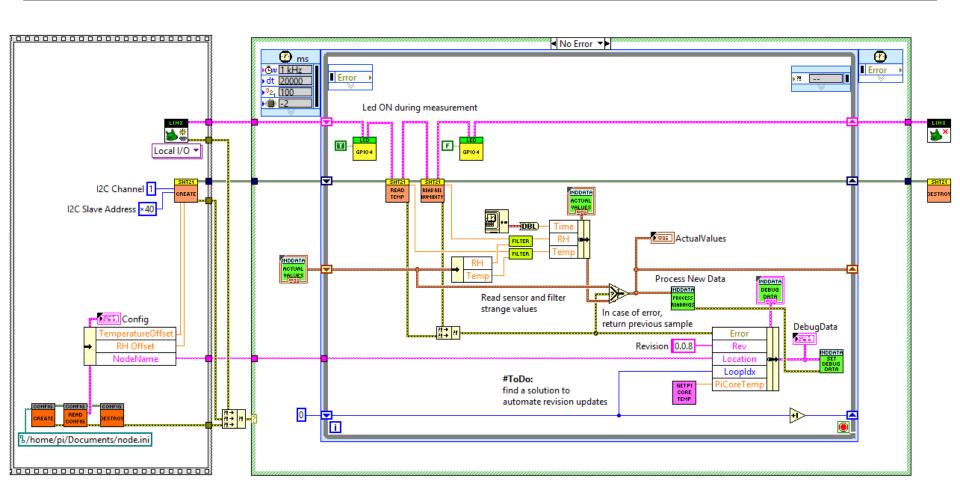




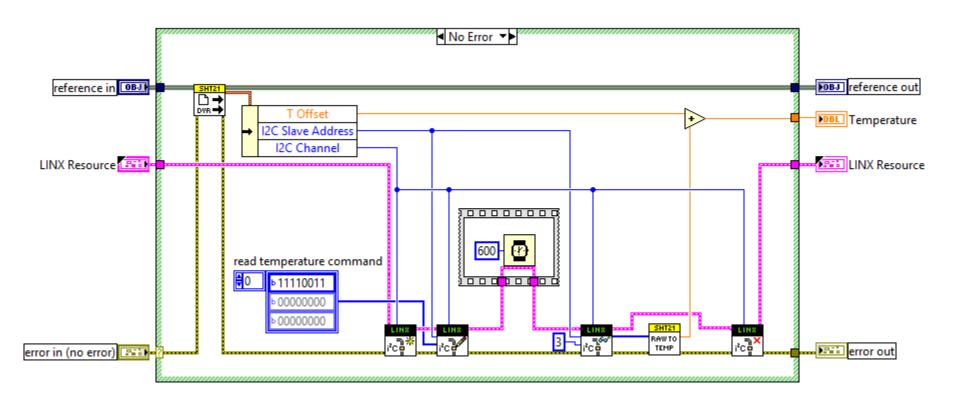
- IndoorData.lvclass (GOOP4 Singleton)
 - Processing of the measurement data
 - Used in main.vi AND in the webservice
- SHT21.lvclass
 - Sensor reading
 - Uses LINX library
- NodeConfiguration.lvclass
 - Configuration file
- IndoorMonitoring Webservice
 - API to access the data
- IndoorMonitoring_Main.vi



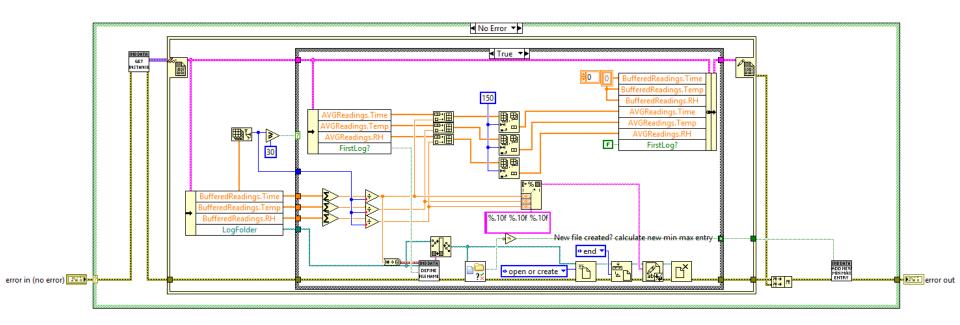
Main VI

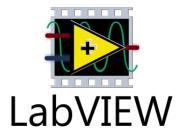


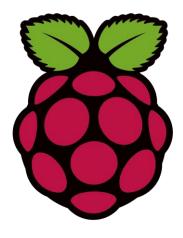
Read Temperature



Process Data







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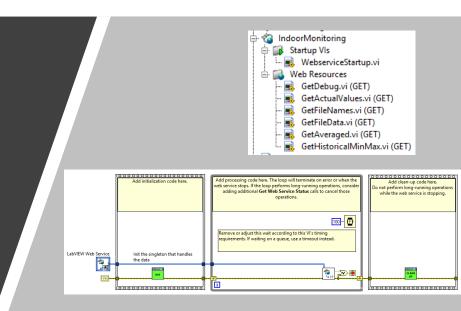
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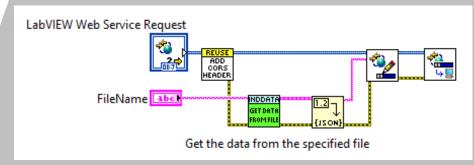


IndoorMonitoring WebService

- Right Click on target > New > WebService
 - Name space and project folders are created
- Startup VI's:
 - Execute when WebService starts
 - Init of the IndoorData Singleton (no refs)
 - Service starts before Application
- WebResources:
 - Your API
 - VI executes when URL is called
 - VI can have parameters (Ex. Filename)
 - Parameters are in the URL



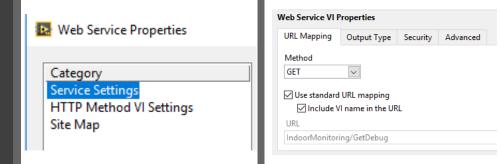
http://"IPAddress":8002/WebServiceName/VIName



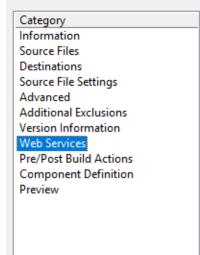
...IndoorMonitoring/GetFileData?FileName=20190519.txt

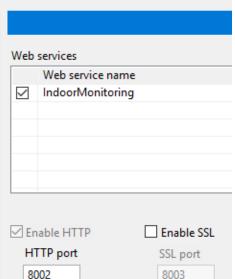
IndoorMonitoring WebService

- Configuration:
 - Right click Web Service > Properties
 - Service Settings (name, version, ...)
 - HTTP Method VI Settings
 - GET/PUT/POST/DELETE
 - Output Type: Terminal / Stream
 - Security
 - Advanced: Load VI @ startup/keep in Memory
 - Site Map
 - List of all Methods + URL (without parameters)
- Deployment:
 - In build spec > Web Services
 - Enable your webservice
 - Configure ports

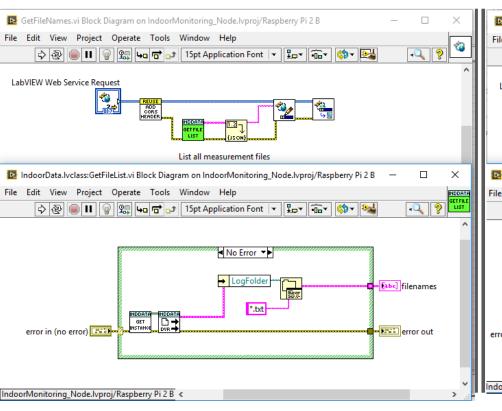


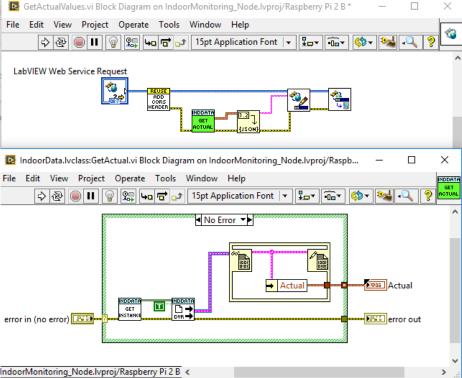
IndoorMonitoring_Node Properties





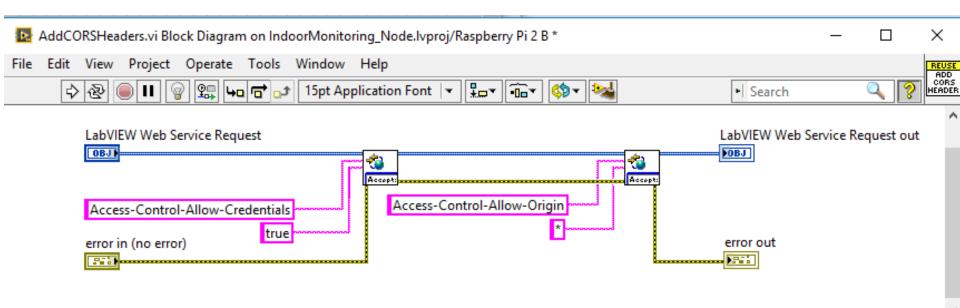
Examples of WebResources

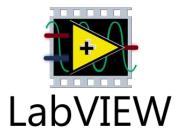


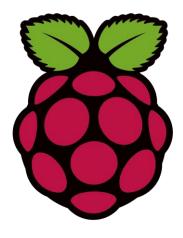


Add CORS Header

- CORS = Cross-Origin Resource Sharing
- allows a Web Service VI to respond to HTTP requests from a different server than where it is hosted.
- WebService = RPI >< Dashboard = SystemLink Server







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LabVIEW NXG WebVI

- LabVIEW NXG (3.0.1)
- NXG WebModule (NI Package manager)
- Projects > Web Application Project
 - Creates a LabVIEW NXG Project
 - Adds a WebApp.gcomp
 - Adds a main.gviweb
 - Not all functionality is supported in the webmodule...(yet?)

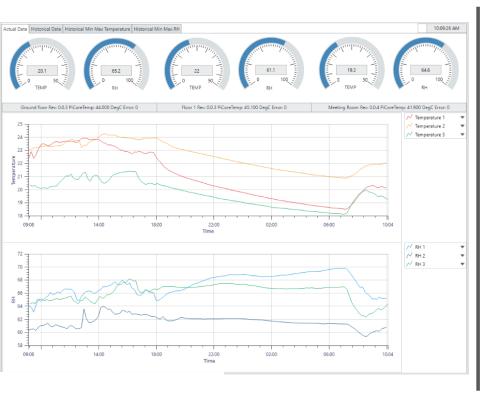


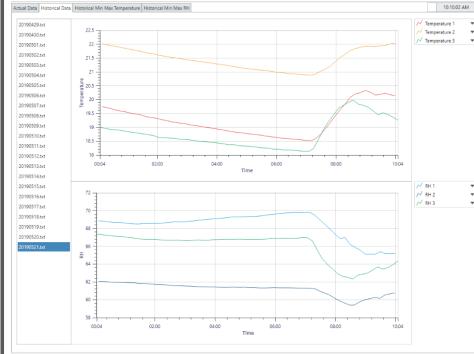
IndoorMonitoring Web App Project

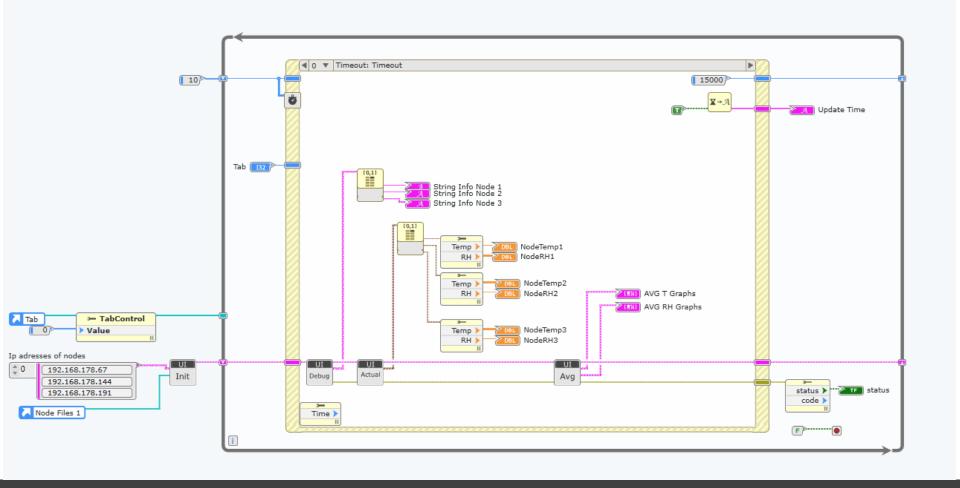
- WebApp.gcomp:
 - All items related to the Webvi
 - IndoorMonitoring.gviweb = main.vi
 - Namespace for NodeCommunication
 - Classes are not supported
 - Work around with namespace
 - NameSpace for UI_Functions
 - Classes are not supported
 - Work around with namespace
- WebApp.lvdist
 - The buildspec for my Webvi
- Builds

- IndoorMonitoring.lvproject
 SystemDesigner
- ▼ WebApp.gcomp *
 - ▶ IndoorMonitoring.gviweb
 - NodeCommunication
 - GetActualValues.gvi
 - ▶ GetAveraged.gvi
 - GetDebug.gvi
 - ▶ GetFileData.gvi
 - GetFileList.gvi
 - GetHistoricalMinMax.gvi
 - ▶ **⊞** Gtype
 - ▼ III Ul Functions
 - UI_FunctionProps.gtype
 - UlFunctions_FormatMinMaxString.gvi
 - UlFunctions_GetActualValues.gvi
 - UlFunctions GetAveragedValues.gvi
 - UlFunctions_GetDebug.gvi
 - UlFunctions_GetFileData.gvi
 - UlFunctions_GetFileList.gvi
 - UIFunctions_GetMinMaxValues.gvi
 - UlFunctions_init.gvi
 - WebApp.lvdist
- ▼ Build
 - ▼ Image: WebApp
 - vitechnologies-indoormonitoring-labview-...
 - ▼ Im WebApp_Web Server
 - index.html
 - IndoorMonitoring.html
 - IndoorMonitoring.via.txt
 - version.json
 - ni-webvi-resource-v0

IndoorMonitoring WebVI UI



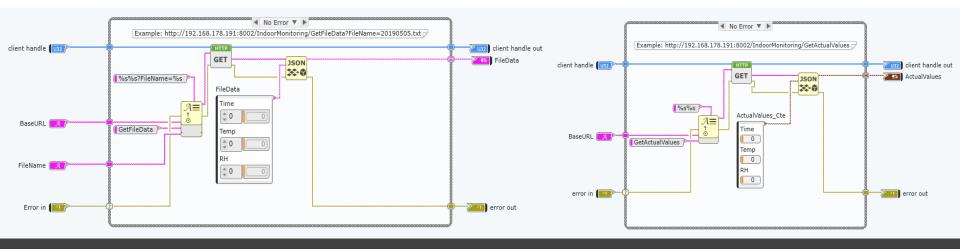




IndoorMonitoring WebVI

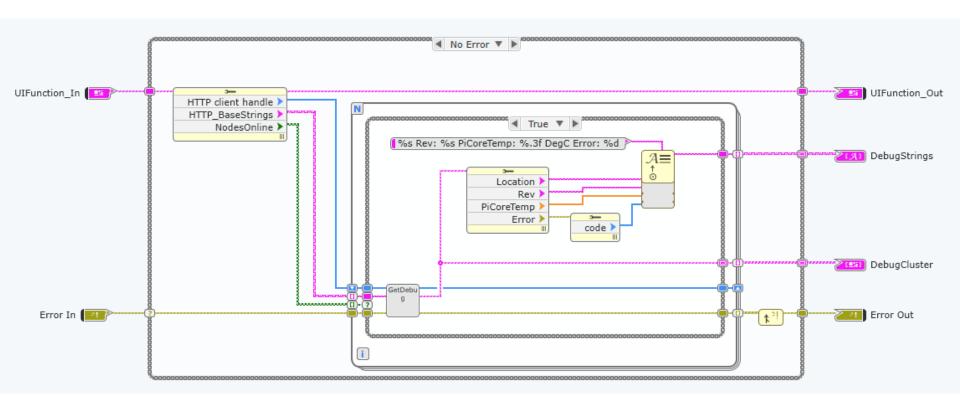
- Init prior to while loop
- While loop with event structure
- In Timeout update actuals
- Act upon events (Tab ctl, File List ctl)
- UI Functions: use NodeCommunication vi's to get the data





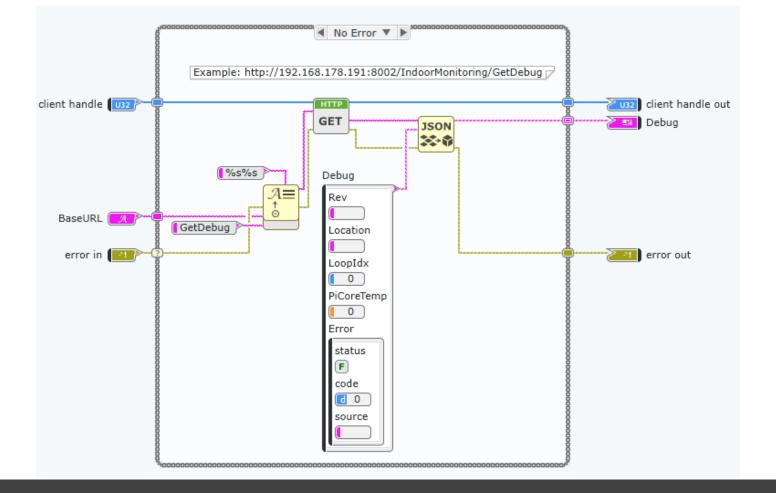
Data from nodes into Webvi

- HTTP Palette (Open, Close, Get, Post, ...)
- URL Formatting (Webservice of RPI Node)
- Format reply into data structure



IndoorMonitoring UI GetDebug

- Unbundle cluster (Cluster properties)
- For every online node ...
- Get the debug data
- Format debug data into string and ouput cluster

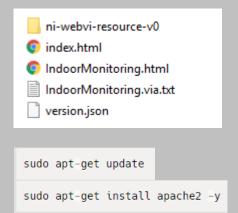


IndoorMonitoring GetDebug

- Format BaseURL to webservice API GetDebug
- Use the client handle for HTTP GET
- Unflatten from JSON
- Debug Data on terminal

Hosting an NXG WebVI

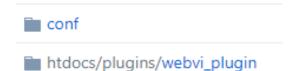
- Build a Webvi:
 - Output will give you an HTML page
 - And some resource files
- Apache Webserver on Raspberry Pi:
 - 2 commands to install
 - Copy output from LabVIEW NXG to your Raspberry Pi /var/www/html/ folder
- SystemLink Server:
 - Can host a Webvi
 - Documentation needs improvement





NXG WebVI on SystemLink Server

- A little documentation on github:
 - Install SystemLink Server (NI Package Manager)
 - Download the files from Github
 - Copy your Webvi to the server
 - Modify the files
 - Fingers crossed



Deploying a WebVI

- · Build your application with LabVIEW
- . Copy the exported files and folders to the htdocs\plugins\webvi plugin folder
- Modify htdocs\plugins\webvi_plugin\config.json if your application is something other than index.html
- Restart the Web Server

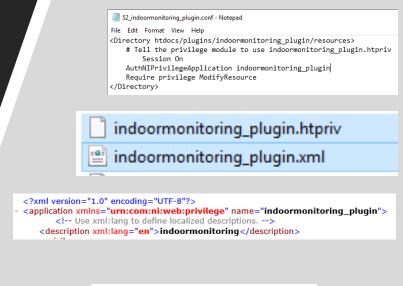


Additional Applications



NXG WebVI on SystemLink Server

- C:\Program Files\National Instruments\Shared\Web Server\conf\conf.d
 - Create a config file Example: 52 indoormonitoring plugin.conf
 - Update the file, should point to correct htpriv file
- ...\Shared\Web Server\conf\htpriv.d
 - Xml file: adjust name
 - htpriv file: change filename
- ...\Shared\Web Server\htdocs\plugins
 - Folder for your plugin/Webvi (indoormonitoring plugin)
 - Copy the files from github here
 - Copy your Webvi here
 - Adjust
 - resources/json/locales/en.json
 - Resources/css/indoormonitoring plugin.css



ni-webvi-resource-v0

IndoorMonitoring.html

IndoorMonitoring.via.txt

resources

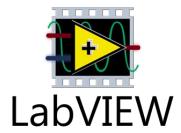
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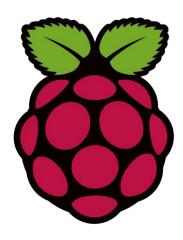
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Indoormonitoring: LabVIEW on a RPI & NXG WebVI Dashboard

- LabVIEW on a Raspberry Pi: Makerhub
- Indoormonitoring: I2C sensor, singleton class for data, Webservice API
- LabVIEW NXG WebVI: HTTP API to access the webservice
- WebVI can be hosted on a SystemLink server







NXG Web Module







Indoormonitoring: Conclusions









I Know why...

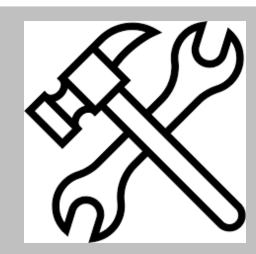
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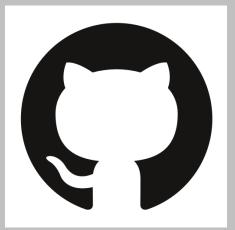
Tools:

- Win32DiskImager (To write an image to uSD)
- WinSCP (Copy Files to RPI)
- <u>VNC Viewer</u> (Open a UI to RPI)
- Putty (SSH to RPI)

Github repo's:

- NI WebVI's
- NI SystemLink
- Wim Tormans





Questions



