

# KID-Keep-it-Dark

## Detectors, Cross-Calibration and Evaluation

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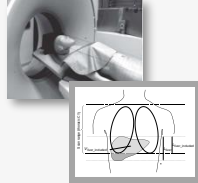
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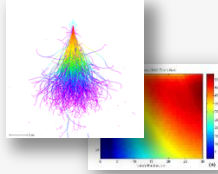
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1200 patients/a

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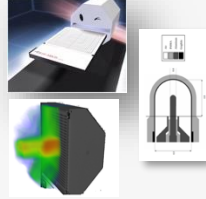
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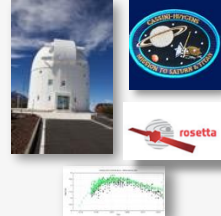
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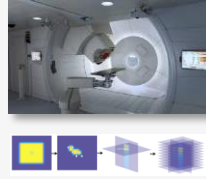
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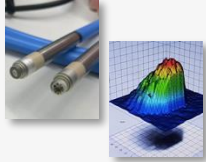
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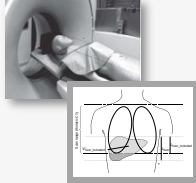
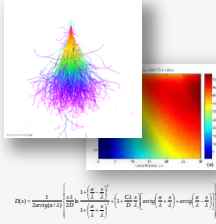
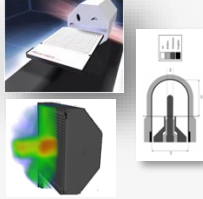
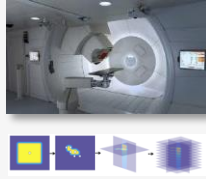
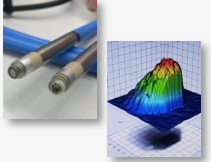
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## Main Research: Detector Development and Standardization



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- 10-12/a Peer Reviewed papers
- Standardization: SSK, DIN, IEC, NAR, AAPM ..

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KID

# Keep-It-Dark

(Multi-channel) measurement options for a long-term survey of Sky Brightness in Wadden Sea- as support for ecological monitoring

- a) Compare different devices and procedures
- b) develop software to allow survey, comparison and network connection for permanent installation
- c) decide on “some” detectors to prepare larger roll-out
- d) Connect measurements to ecological studies  
(->multi-color, permanent -> not only clear skies)
- e) long-term storage



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## Lead-Partner

- Management
- (Washetdonker) Network
- connection to Astronomy
- national partner



## Detectors and Systems

- Adaptation/development of systems
- calibration, evaluation etc.
- connection to Meteor Science
- national partner

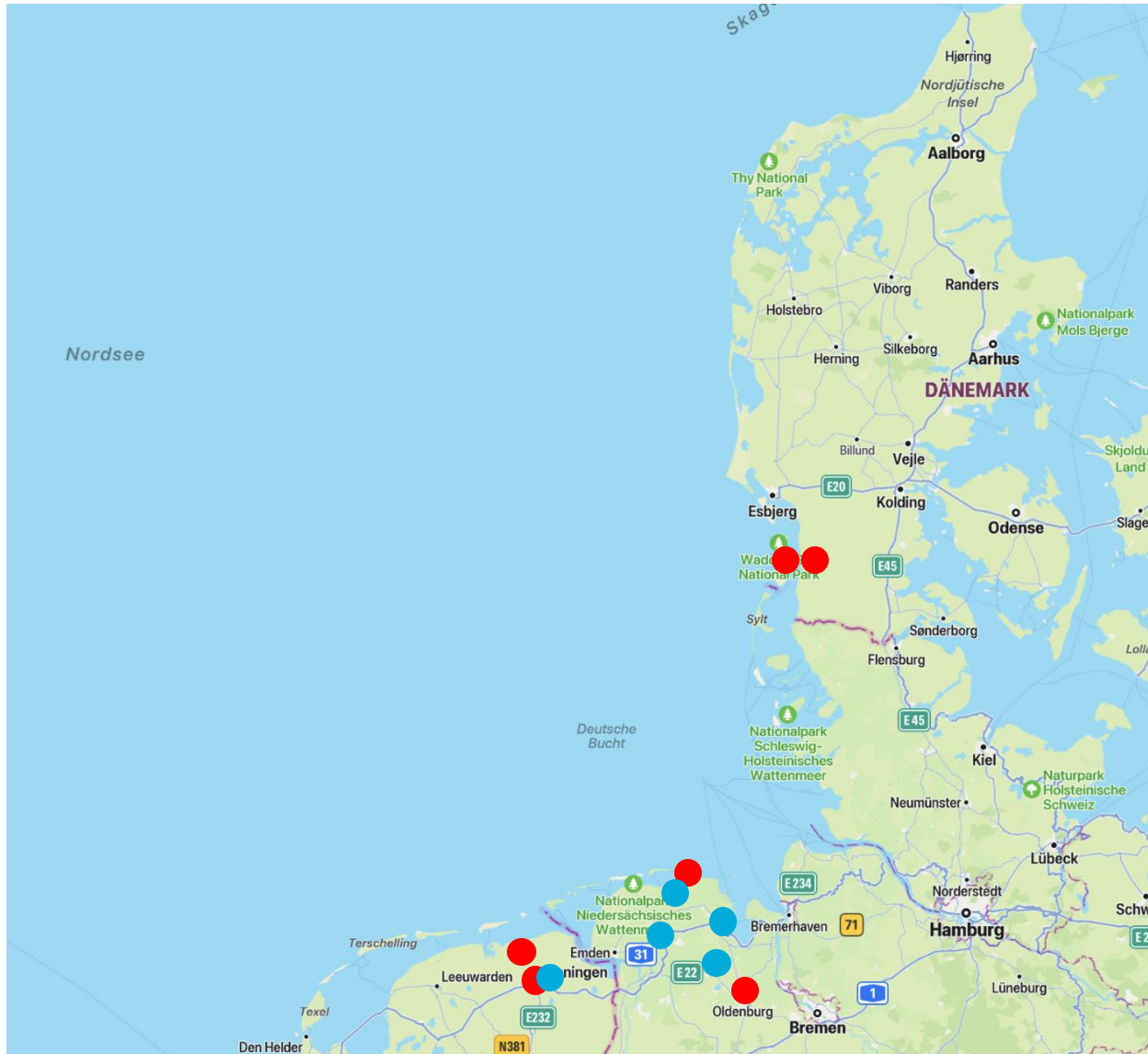


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## Upscale Partner

- Field test of KID-Systems
- national partner

# Locations:



## Denmark:

**Bright-Sky:** Ribe

**Dark Sky:** Mandø

## Netherlands:

**Bright-Sky:** Groningen

**Dark Sky:** Lauwersmeer

## Germany:

**Bright-Sky:** Oldenburg

**Dark Sky:** Spiekeroog

**Mobile:** TinyObs

● Permanent Station

● Mobile Station (several weeks)

## Detectors adapted and tested in KID

| Oldenburg | Spiekeroog | TinyObs      | Groningen | Lauwersoog | Ribe   | Mandø  |
|-----------|------------|--------------|-----------|------------|--------|--------|
| SQC       | RP         | RP-Birdnet   | SQC       | SQC        | RP     | RP     |
| RP        | SQM-LU     | SQM          | RP        | RP         | SQM-LU | SQM-LU |
| SQM-LU    | SQM-DL     |              | SQM-LU    | SQM-LU     |        |        |
|           |            | TESS-W-1039  |           |            |        |        |
| SQM-DL    | Allsky7    | TESS-4C-1089 |           |            |        |        |
| TASS      | Fripon     | Alpy600      |           |            |        |        |
| FRIPON    | Alpy600    |              |           |            |        |        |
| ALLSKY7   |            |              |           |            |        |        |
| Oculus    |            |              |           |            |        |        |
| SG-Was    |            |              |           |            |        |        |

Spin-Offs/Upscales:



Emden, Burlage,  
Norddeich. Borkum  
Lauwersmeer

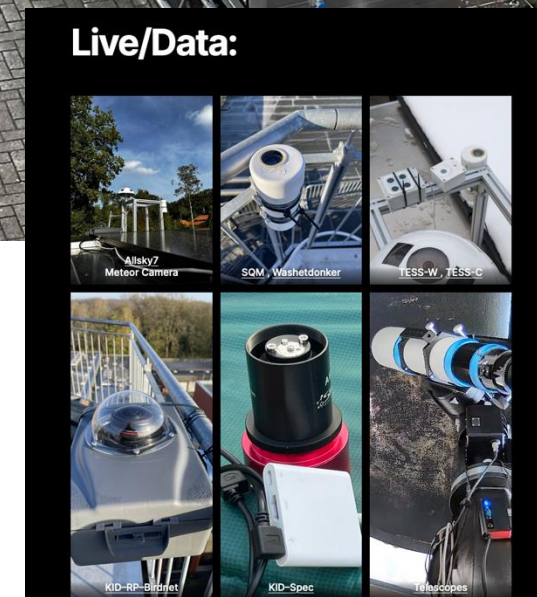
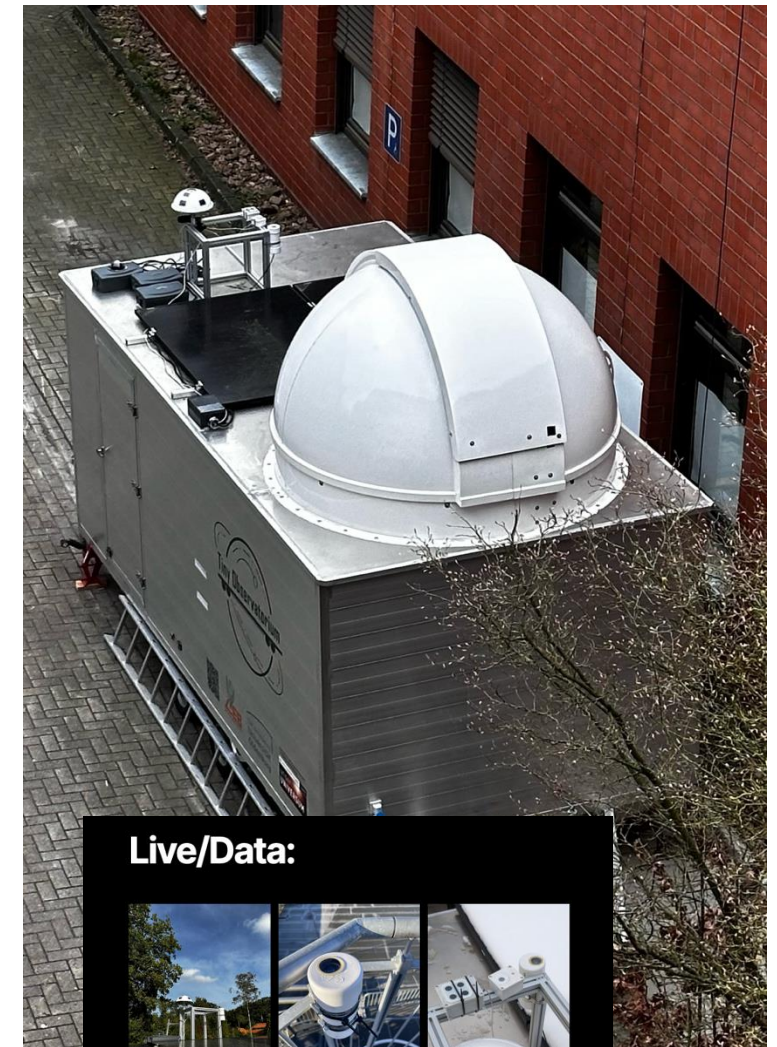
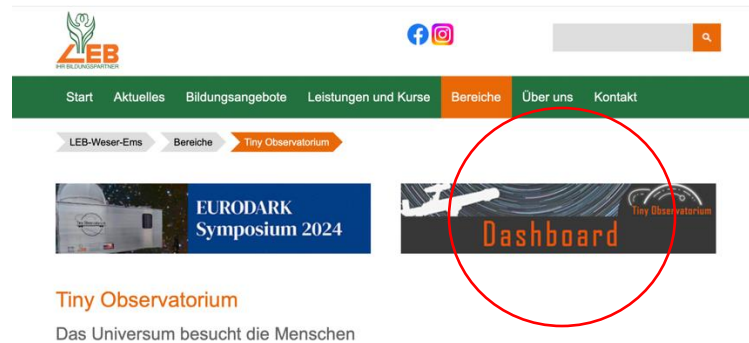
Alpy600  
KID-RP-  
Birdnet  
RICOH-  
Theta



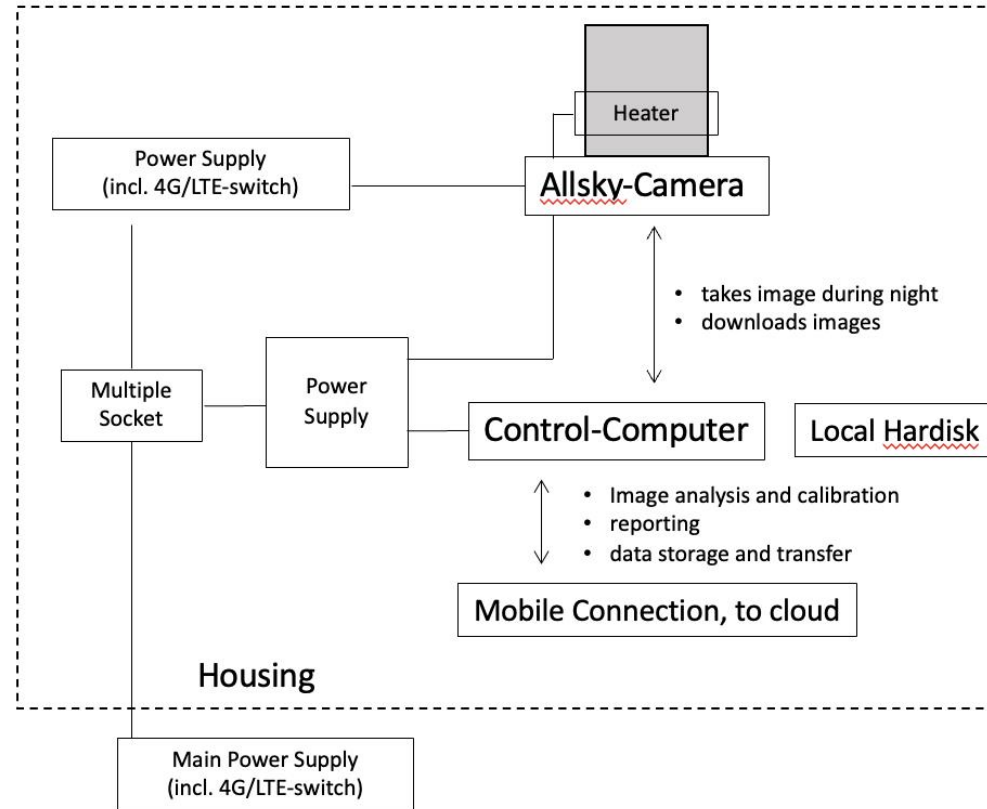
# “Sky-Brightness Observatory”



SQM  
SQC  
KID-RP-Birdnet  
TESS-W  
TESS-4C  
Spectrometer  
Meteor Cam  
Telescopes



# KID-Camera System Architecture: Camera and lenses are exchangeable!



(a)



(b)

# KID Camera System:

## System 1:

- Canon 6D Mark II + Canon Fisheye 8-15mm f/4
- "SQC in the Box"
- realized 3 times (Groningen, Oldenburg)
- agreement between all systems better than 5%!!!
- Reference Detector



## System 2:

- Canon RP mirrorless cam + Canon Fisheye 8-15mm f/4
- same chip as 6D Mark II (different wiring)
- mirrorless (no mechanical parts, we take several hundred pics per night )
- cross-calibration in project
- RGB data stored for later-color analysis
- realized 10 times (at all pilots)

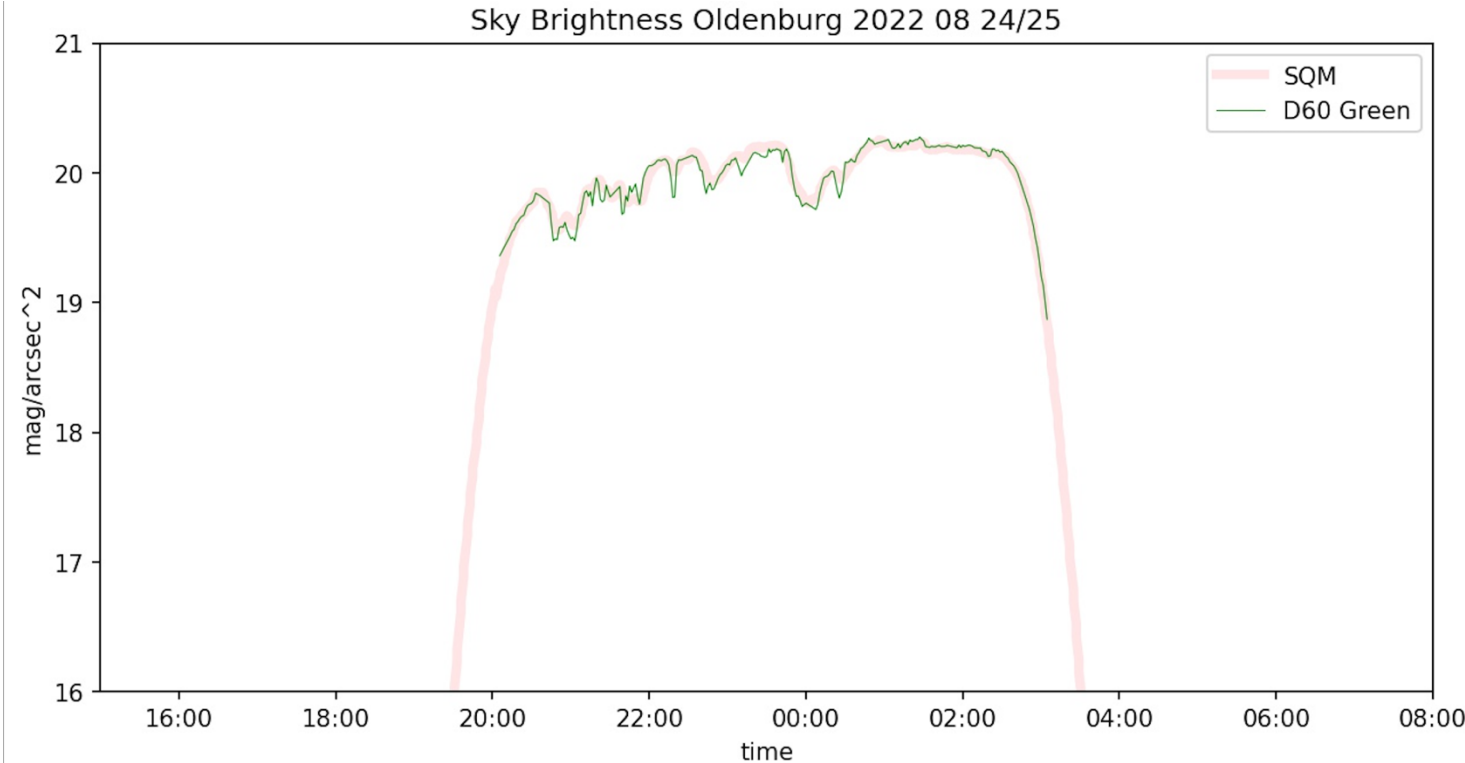


see TinyObs

# All-Sky Cameras: comparison with SQM/TESS



transform



$$\text{mag}_D = -2.5 \log_{10} (\text{ADU}_{\text{zero}}) + \text{cal}_D$$

within 10° radius FOV in zenith



# The calibration problem in Sky Brightness Measurements:

**Problem:** Different Detectors have different physical properties!

## **Sky Brightness Detectors:**

- spectral sensitivity
- Field-of-View
- temperature dependence
- linearity
- age
- pixel size..

## **Usual procedure:**

- Define Reference Spectrum and Reference Detectors
- consider deviations in both as “correction” factors

**BUT:** there is NO generally accepted or agreed on reference spectrum, reference sky or reference detector!!

Many different approaches, each has it's justification!

# Calibration in KID:

## Reference Detector: Sky-Quality Camera

we use

- 10° radius FOV in around Zenith
- arranged in KID Box
- window is considered as  $w_B$  (0,05 mag/arcsec<sup>2</sup>)

$$SB = m_{SQC} = m_{SQC, B} - w_B$$

## Cross Calibration Factor $cal_{Det}$

- perform measurements under same sky
- magnitude of detectors in its system  $m_{Det}$

$$SB = m_{SQC} = m_{SQC, B} - w_B = m_{Det} - w_{Det} + cal_{Det}$$

- $cal_{Det}$  : cross-calibration factor
- similar to “Spectral Mismatch Correction Factors” (Bouroussis et al 2018, CIE 69)



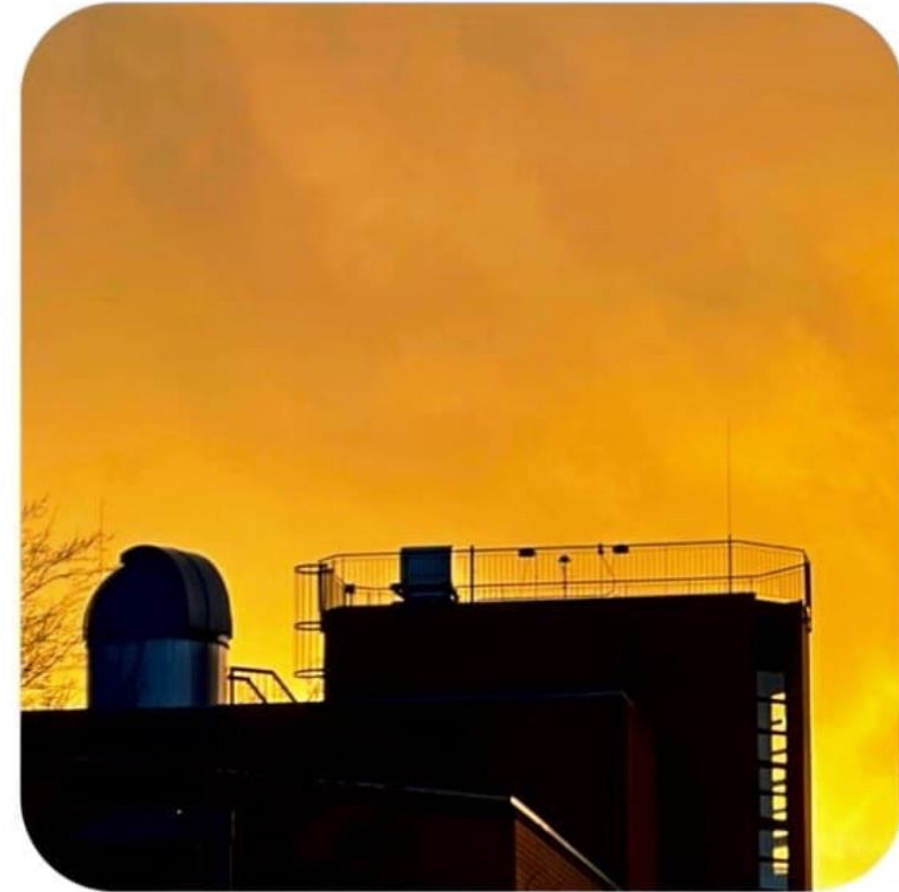
# Calibration in KID:

$cal_{Det}$  depends on the “incoming” spectrum!!!

## “Reference” Training - Sky:

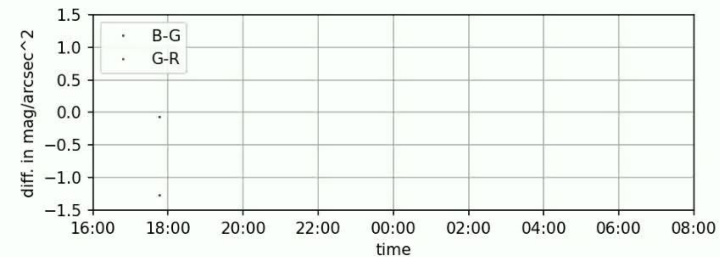
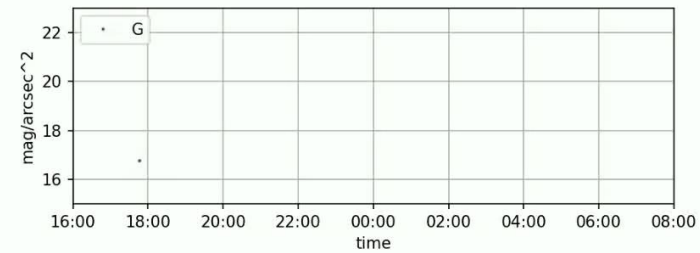
- Difficult to define
- should be representable for measurement task
- for us “Oldenburg” in clear moonless night
  - easy to reach
  - typical suburban sky
  - light pollution and natural light
  - changing conditions (good to check methods)
- each detector used in KID can be traced to SQC in OL

$cal_{Det}$  specific calibration factor

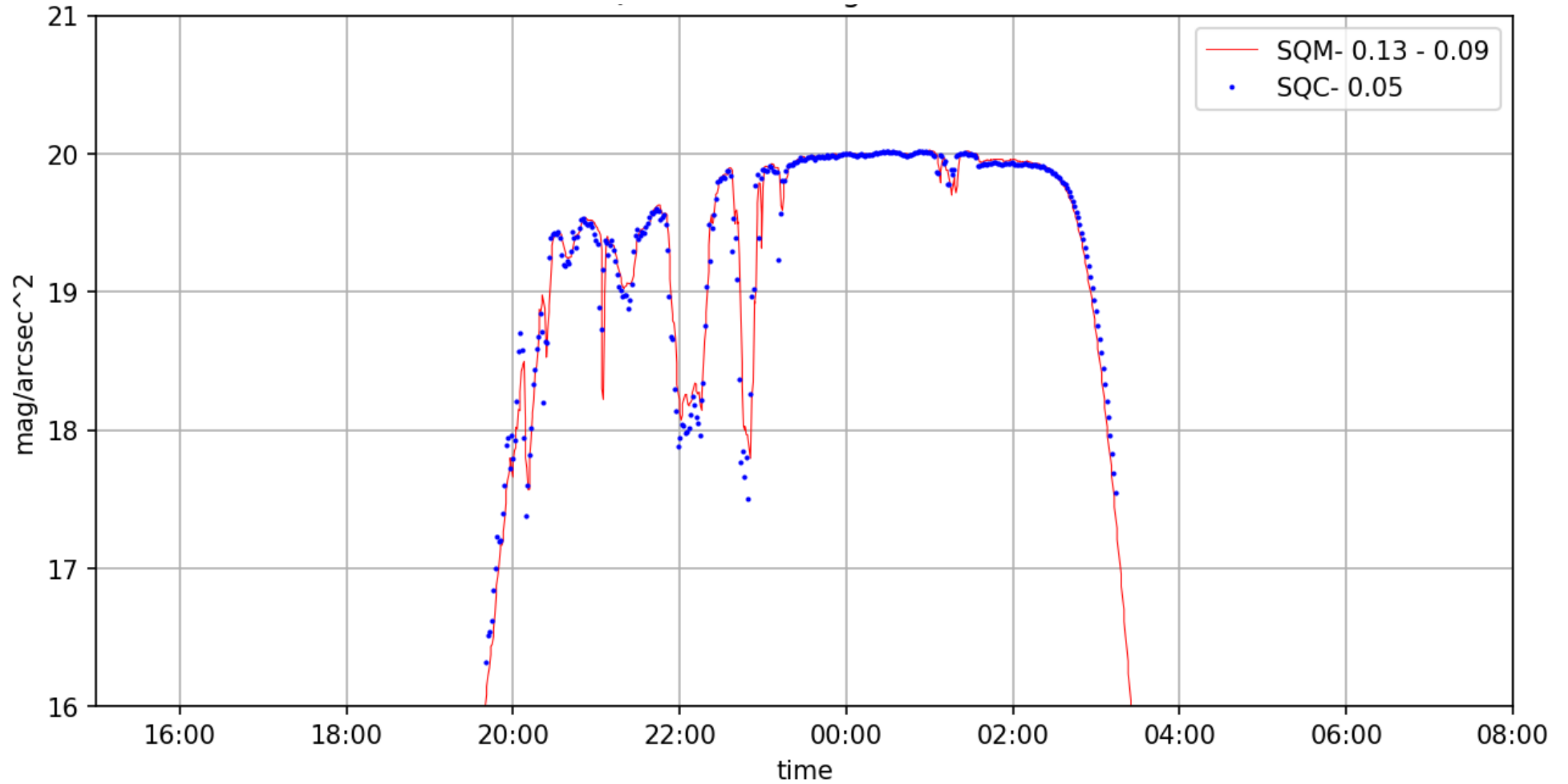


# KID System: Nightly Results at each station for each camera

Spiekeroog - RP  
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## SQM vs SQC



# Measurement Options Zenith: All-Sky Cameras

ALLSKY7



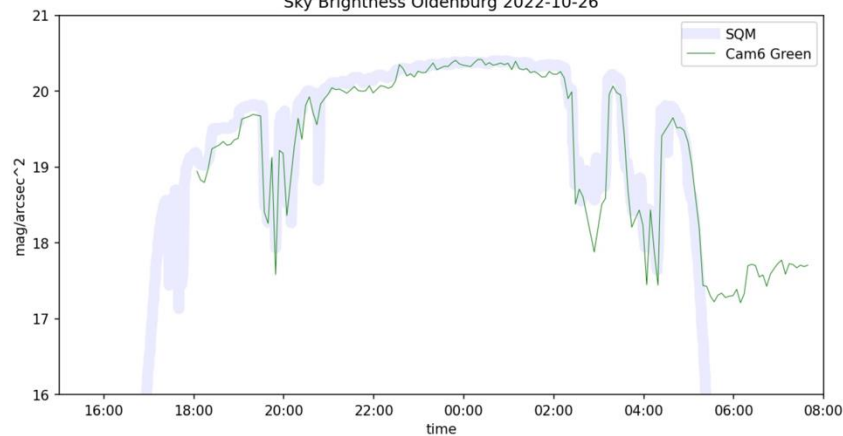
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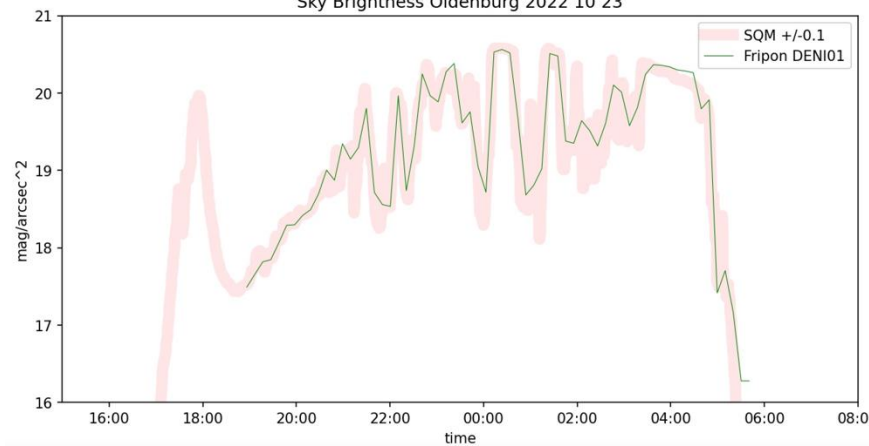
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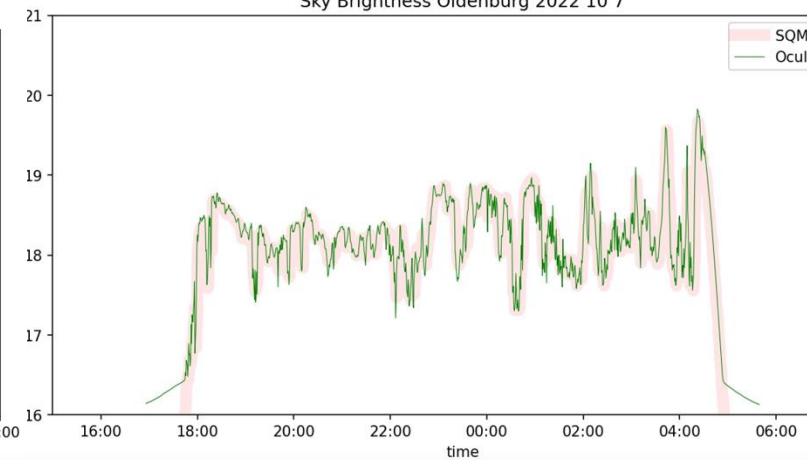
Sky Brightness Oldenburg 2022-10-26



Sky Brightness Oldenburg 2022 10 23



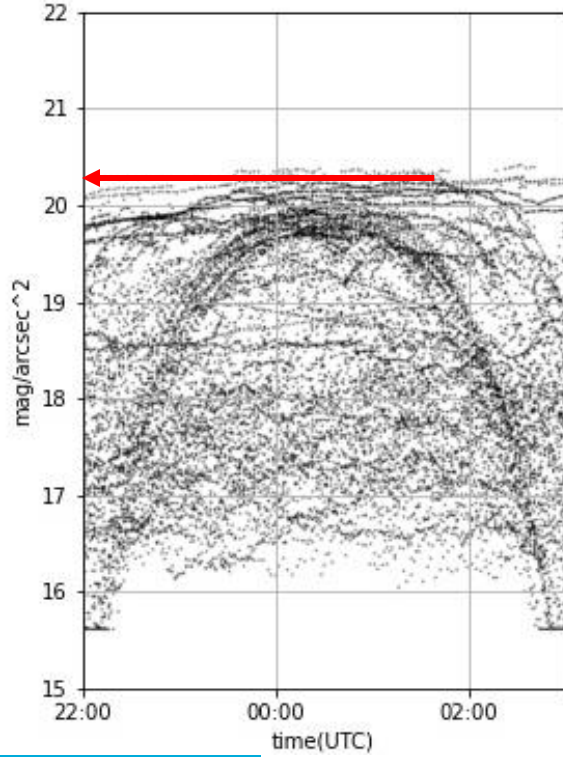
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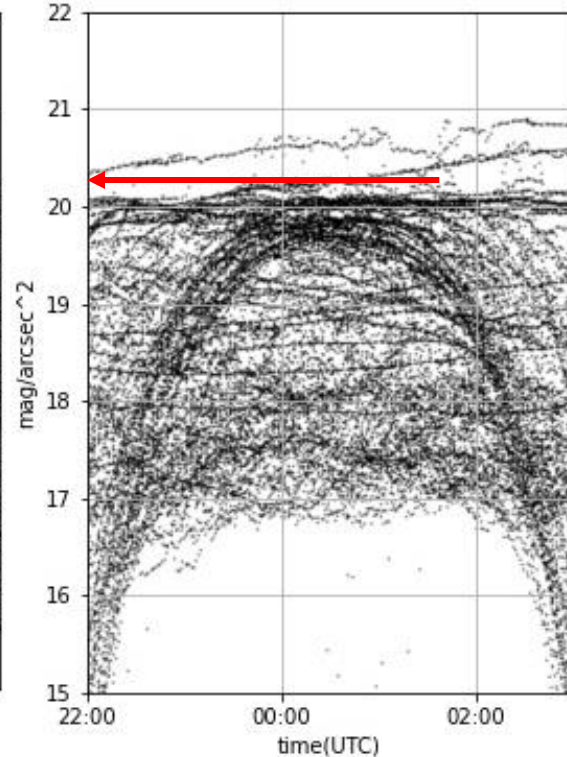
All systems can be calibrated against a reference in an *acceptable limit*!

see poster of A. Rietze (Fripon) , TinyObs or talk of D. Koschny

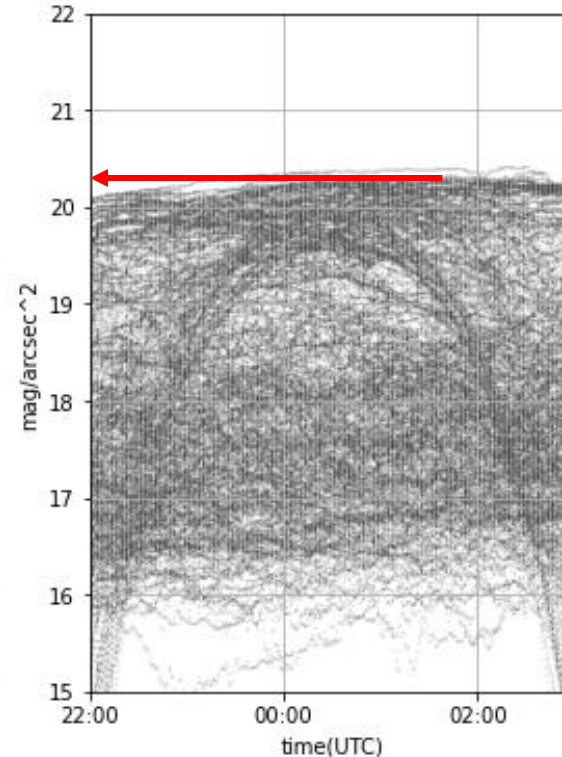
# Measurements Oldenburg 2023



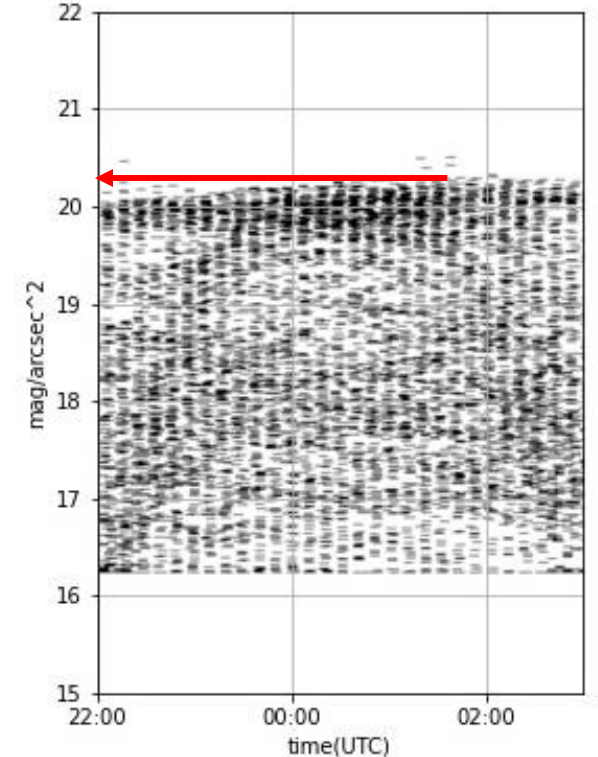
SQC:  $20.30 \pm 0.1 \text{ mag/arcsec}^2$



RP:  $20.31 \pm 0.1 \text{ mag/arcsec}^2$



SQM:  $20.31 \pm 0.1 \text{ mag/arcsec}^2$



Fripon:  $20.30 \pm 0.1 \text{ mag/arcsec}^2$

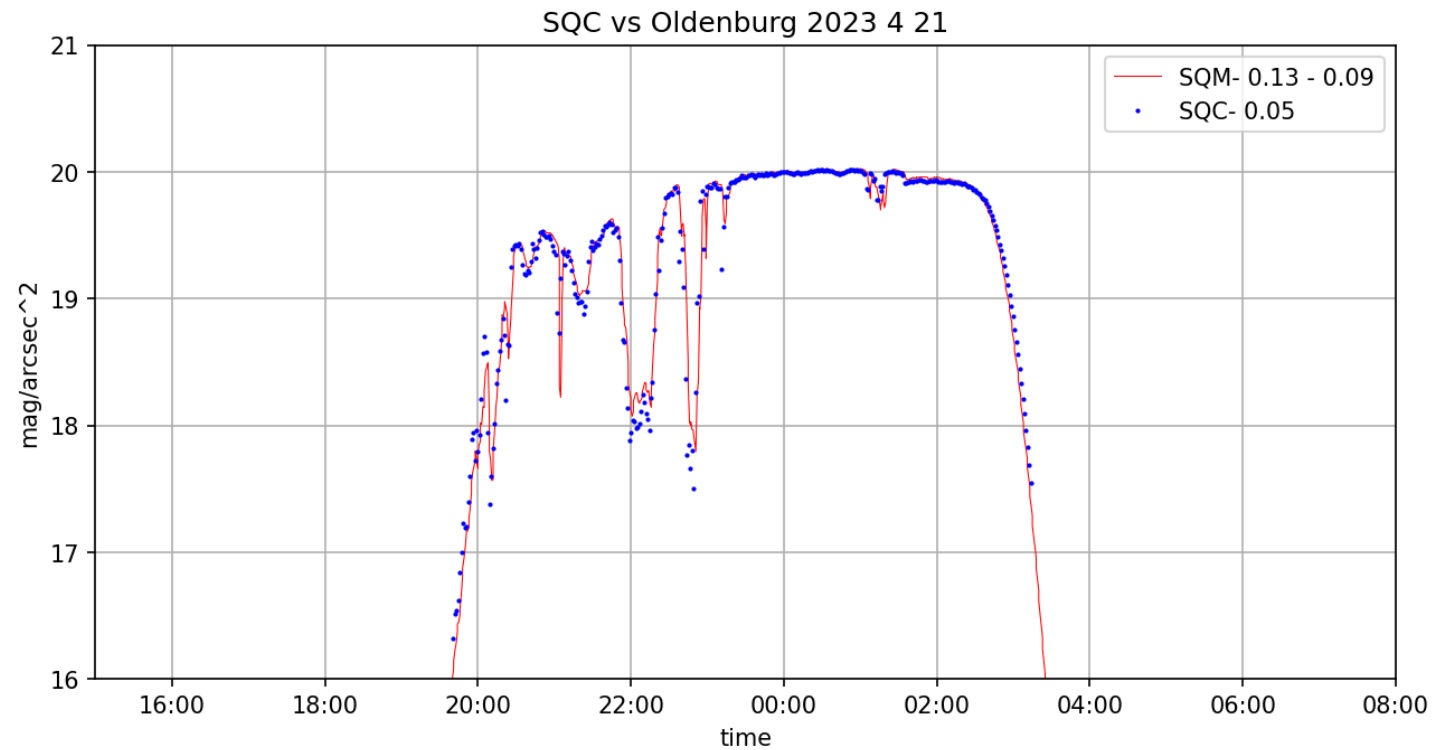
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## What is an acceptable limit Problem: How to compare different time series?

Simple “relative” difference at time  $t$  is not sufficient in all situations, strictly spoken only possible in slow changing brightness conditions (lab!)

### Real Life Problems:

- timing
- sampling time
- sampling interval
- pixel size
- fog/ice
- sampling “area”
- moving clouds
- small deviations in pointing
- spectral mismatch etc. etc.



## Problem: How to compare different time series?

Standard Method to deal with this from Medicine: “**Gamma-Index-Method**”

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☐ A virtual **dosimetry** audit - Towards transferability of **gamma index** analysis between clinical trial QA groups.

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Share Radiother Oncol. 2017 Dec;125(3):398-404. doi: 10.1016/j.radonc.2017.10.012. PMID: 29100698

Participants were blinded to the 'measured' data details. Each group analysed the datasets using their own **gamma index (gamma)** technique and using standardised parameters for passing criteria, lower dose threshold, **gamma** normalisation and global **gam** ...

☐ **gamma+ index**: A new evaluation parameter for quantitative quality assurance.

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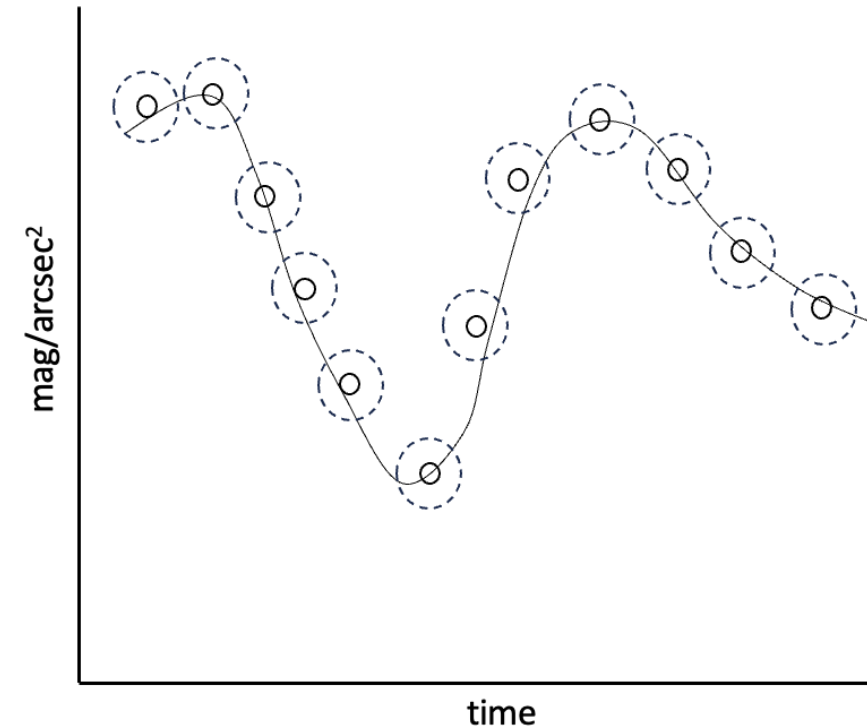
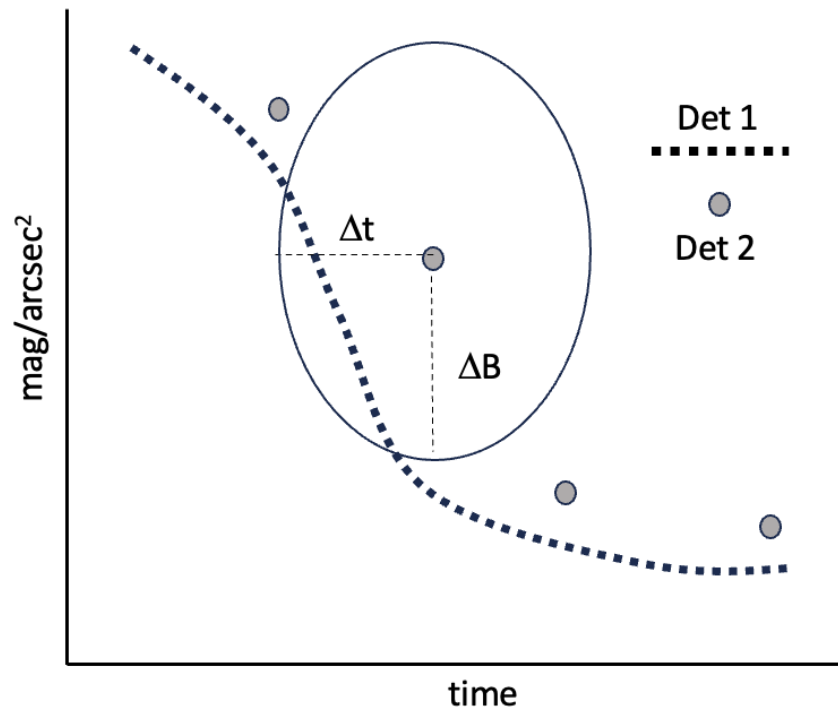
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part all major standards and norms on measurements dosimetry.

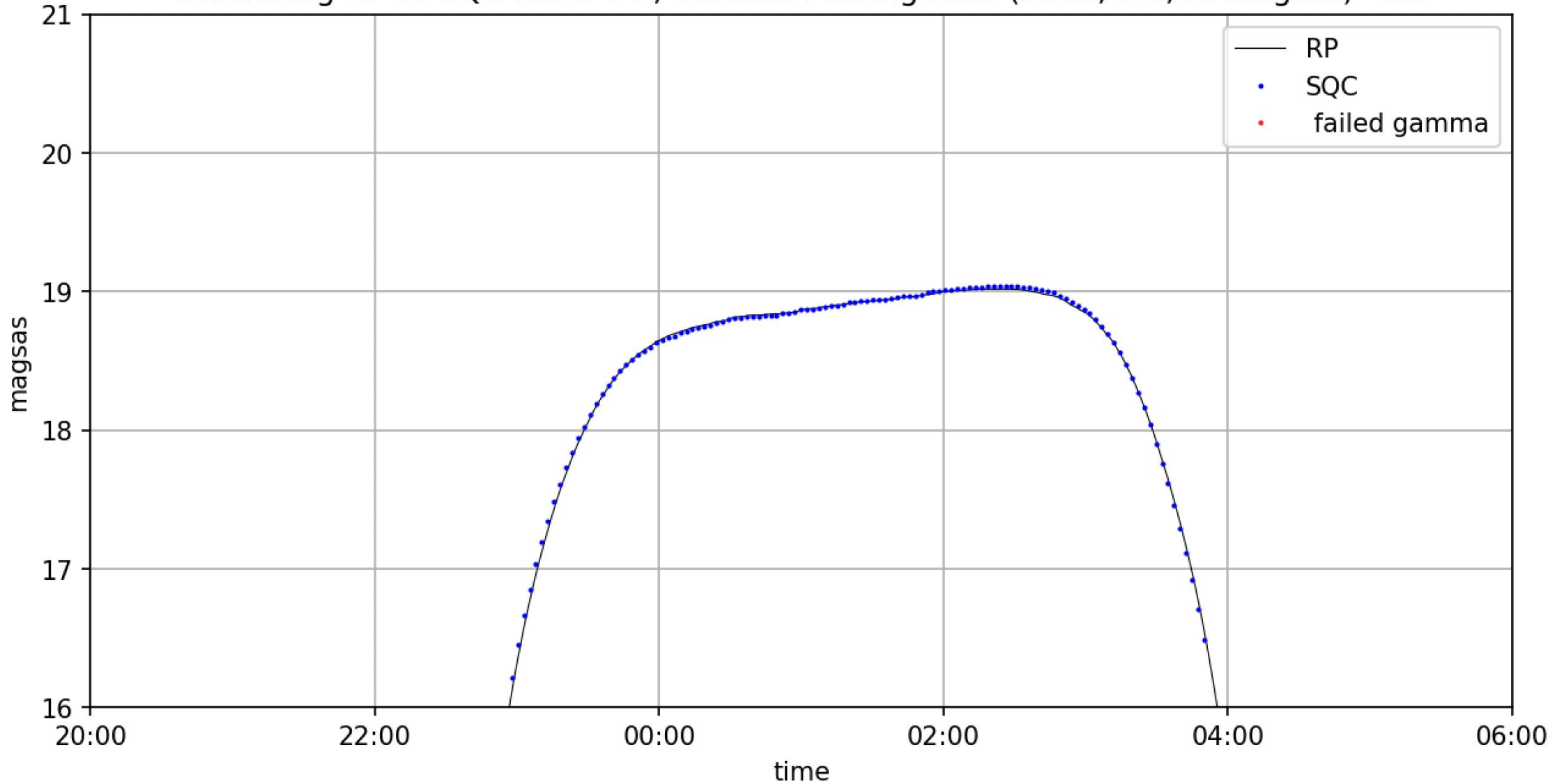
## Gamma-Index Method for comparing sky brightness detectors:

- “allow” a brightness and time difference
- see if a reading of Det 1 falls into ellipsoid around Det 2
- if yes: count as “acceptable” deviation or “passed” point
- determine “passing” rate as global measure



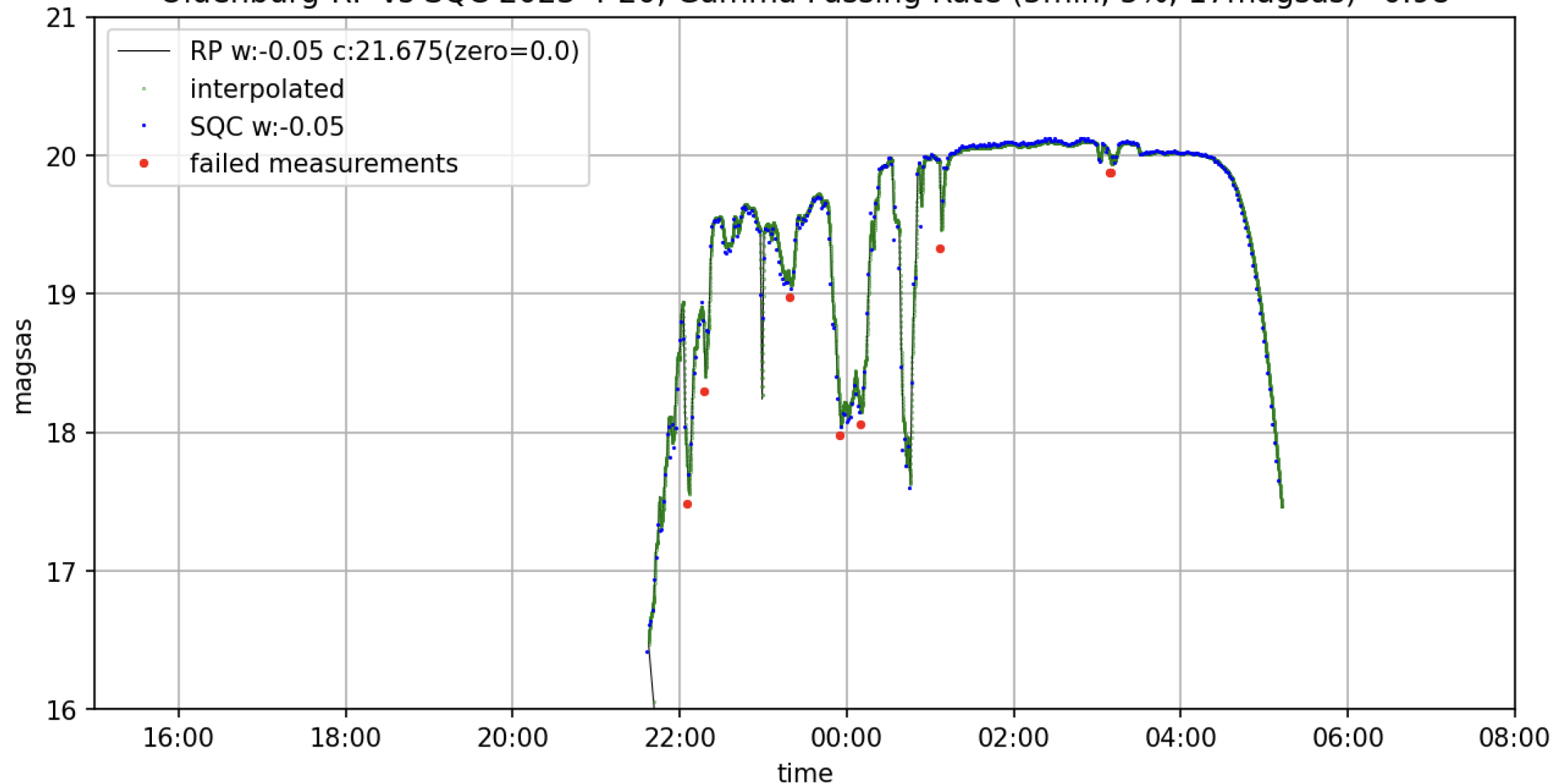
## Examples:

Oldenburg-RP vs SQC 2023-6-2; Gamma Passing Rate (5min, 5%, 17magsas)=1.0

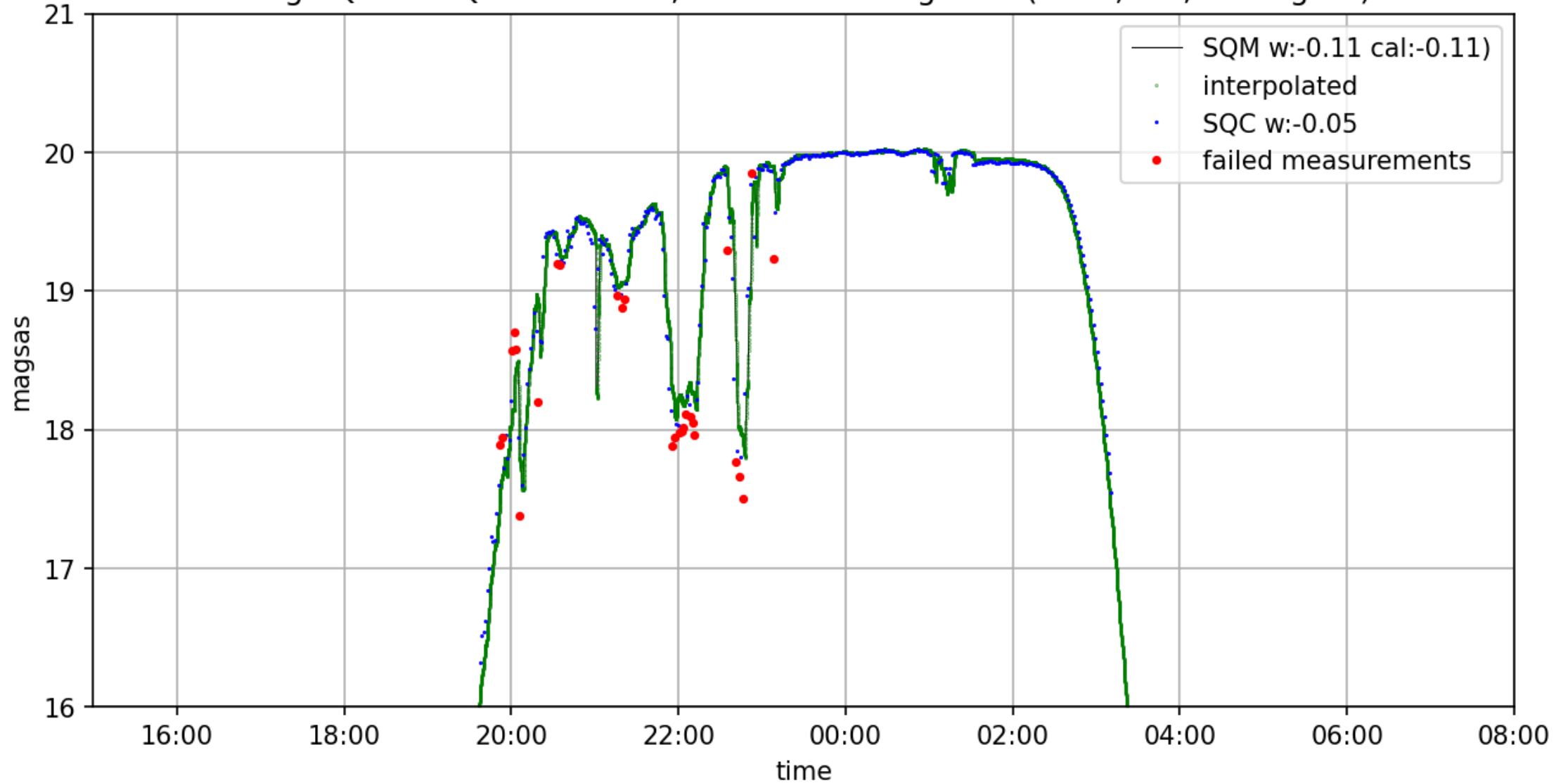


## Examples:

Oldenburg-RP vs SQC 2023-4-20; Gamma Passing Rate (5min, 5%, 17magsas)=0.98



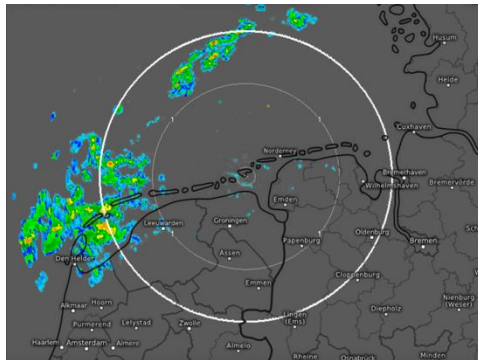
## Oldenburg-SQM vs SQC 2023-4-20; Gamma Passing Rate (5min, 5%, 17magsas)=0.92



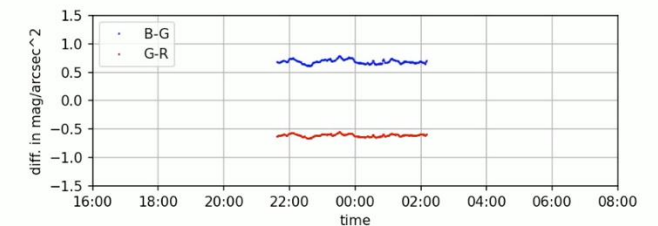
# Conclusion KID/Next Steps:

- Wadden Sea wide network with different detectors has been set-up and is running
- Calibration method is introduced by usage of cross calibration factors
- Different detectors can be calibrated and when considering the physical properties
- SQM and KID-RP system are used as our standard detectors (practical reasons!!)
- Important: can be “re-calibrated” once we have a traceable reference standard (hopefully soon!)
- Gamma-Index Method was successfully adapted for Sky Brightness Measurements
- Next Steps:
  - usage of colour information and fish-eye image
  - installation of more systems in region
  - more specific detectors (combined bird sound-brightness station, horizon station, spectrometer)

# Outlook: First Horizont-System, connected to weather radar on Borkum



Borkum - RP1  
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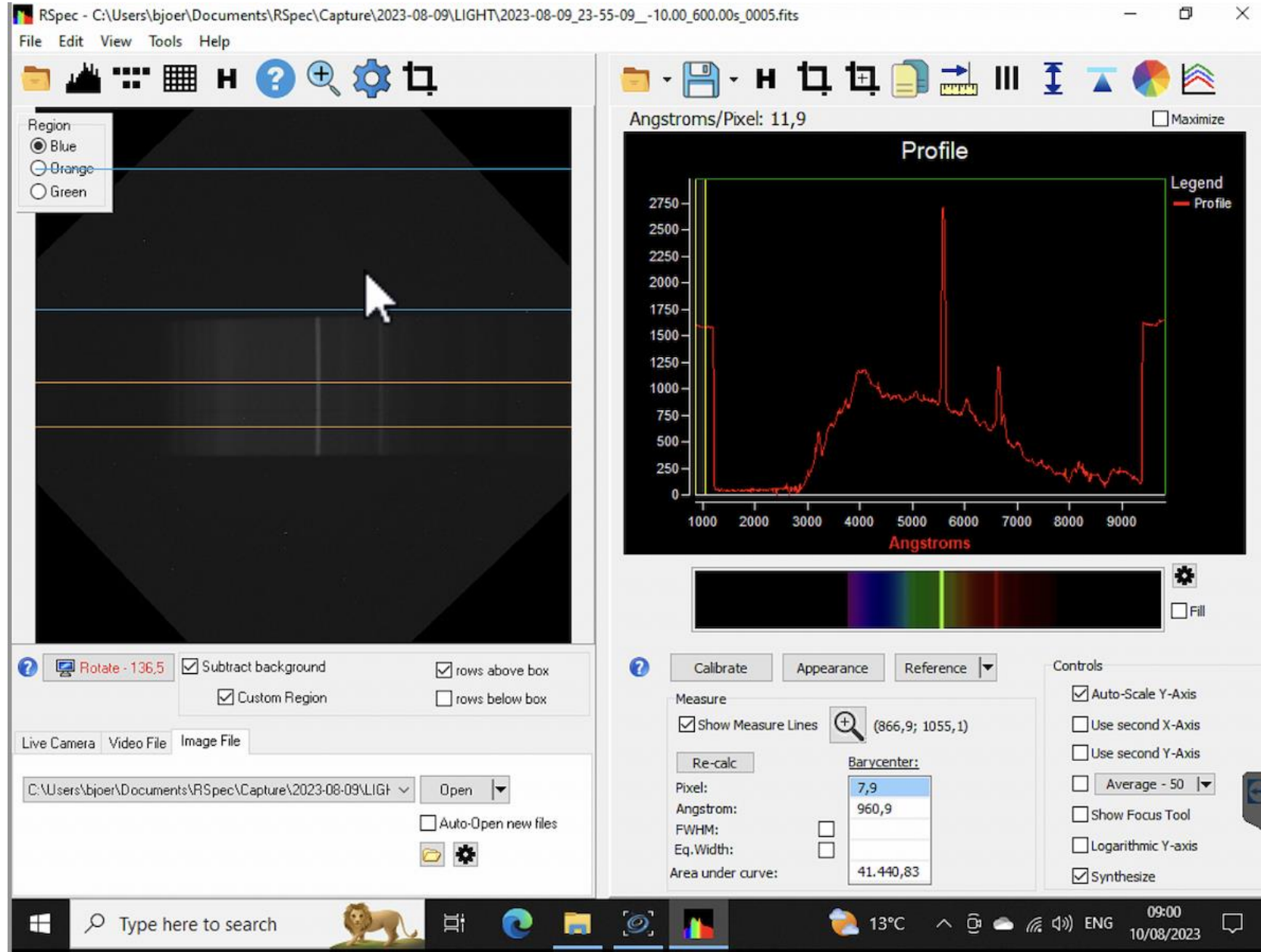
O. Hüppop , X, Nocturnal Bird  
Migration measured by weather  
radar stations

# Outlook: Spectral Measurements



ALPY 600 + ASI533mmpro

see poster of R. Will or TinyObs

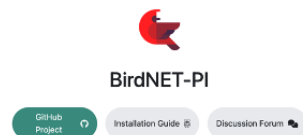


# Outlook: KID-RP-BirdNetPy

## Detections and analysis of BirdSounds and sky brightness



see TinyObs



Copy and paste the command below on a Raspberry PI running the latest Raspberry PI OS Lite (64-bit) image to install BirdNET-PI.

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curl -s https://raw.githubusercontent.com/equlre99/BirdNET-PI/main/newinstaller.sh | bash
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