

USER MANUAL

ShuttleSoft

1. List of parts

- ShuttleSoft installation USB memory stick (Loligo®)
- USB hardkey dongle (Wibu)
- LabView Vison runtime license document
- uEYE USB camera
 - C-mount lens
 - USB cable
 - Tripod adapter
 - Bracket
 - Software CD
- DAQ-S or DAQ-M instrument
 - Adapter cables, qty. 4
 - DO-SET for oxygen/pH/pCO₂ control, qty. 2
 - **OR** TMP-SET for temperature control, qty. 2
 - **OR** pump for salinity/turbidity control, qty. 4
 - Split data cable, qty. 4 (DAQ-M only)
- OXY-REG for oxygen measurements, qty. 2
- **OR** TMP-REG for temperature measurements, qty. 2
- **OR** WTW COND 3310 instruments for salinity measurements, qty. 2
- **OR** WTW pH 3310 instruments for pH/pCO₂ measurements, qty. 2
- **OR** TUR-REG for turbidity measurements, qty. 2
- Flow through probe vessel, qty. 2 (**Not included in turbidity**)
- User manual

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3. General

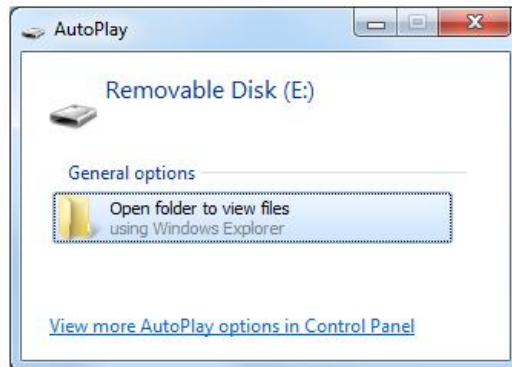
- Our ShuttleBox systems for preference/avoidance measurements in aquatic organisms, includes an ShuttleSoft software for Windows, a DAQ instrument for USB, video equipment and an experimental tank with pumps, tubing and fittings to monitor and control water quality in two independent subcompartments.
- ShuttleSoft requires a mouse with a scroll button.
- Three free USB ports are required on your PC. One for connecting the DAQ instrument, one for the digital video camera and one for a software protection dongle.
- If using WTW COND 3310 instruments for preference salinity experiments, two additional USB ports are required one for each of two the two conductivity instruments.
- If using WTW pH 3310 instruments for preference pH/pCO₂ experiments, two additional USB ports are required one for each of two the two pH instruments.
- The ShuttleSoft software tracks the position of the experimental animal on the principle of contrast between an object and its surroundings.
- ON-the-fly the software determines whether the animal is in one or the other subcompartment of the experimental ShuttleBox tank.
- The software then activates/deactivates solenoid valves or pumps connected to digital relays on the DAQ instrument to control water quality in the two subcompartments in a dynamic way depending on animal real-time position, e.g. it is the behaviour of the animal that determines the water quality.
- It is also possible to set up a static experiment during which water quality in the two subcompartments are kept at setpoint levels defined by the user in the ShuttleSoft software.
- The software will save all input data and calculated values to a text data file.

4. Installation procedure

Minimum PC requirements: ShuttleSoft requires Windows XP/Vista/7 running on a PC with an Intel Pentium IV processor of 2 GHz and 2GB RAM or better. We recommend monitors with a minimum resolution of 1024x768 pixels.

4.1 ShuttleSoft software for Windows

The following steps will explain how to install ShuttleSoft on your computer. Insert the USB memory stick labelled Loligo and wait until you see the following screen.



Click Open folder to view files and double click on the icon labelled ShuttleSoft_Installer.exe.

Screen 1



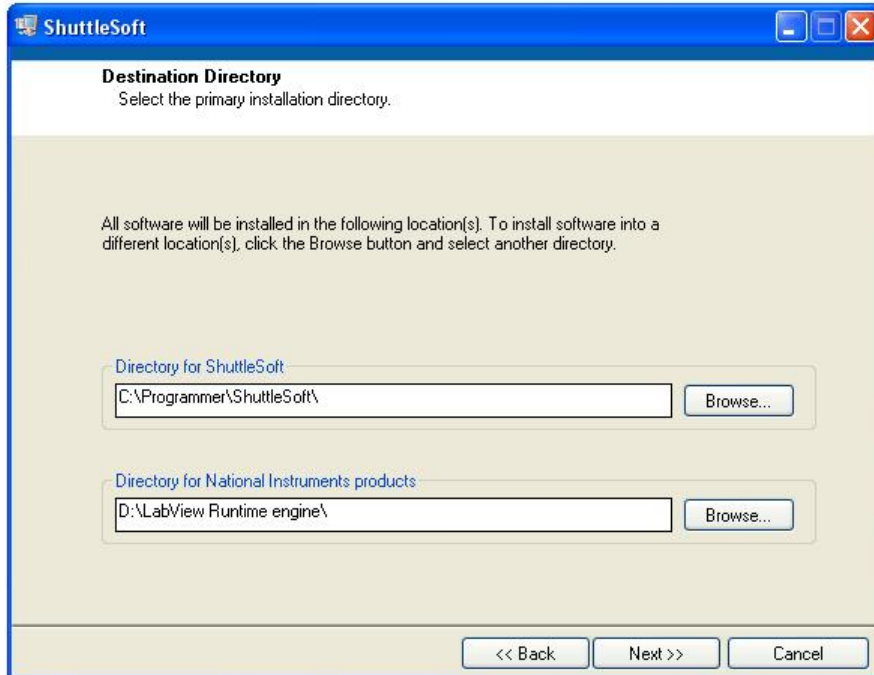
1. Click Next to start installation of ShuttleSoft.

Screen 2



2. Select destination directory for ShuttleSoft and LabView drivers and then press Next.

Screen 3



3. If you accept the License Agreement, please select "I accept the License Agreement(s)" and then press Next.

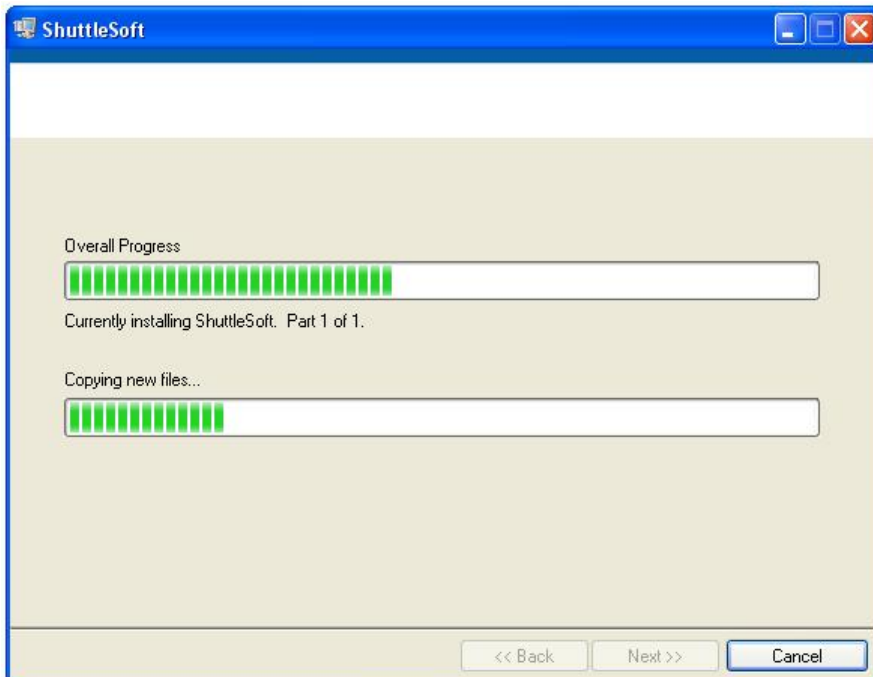
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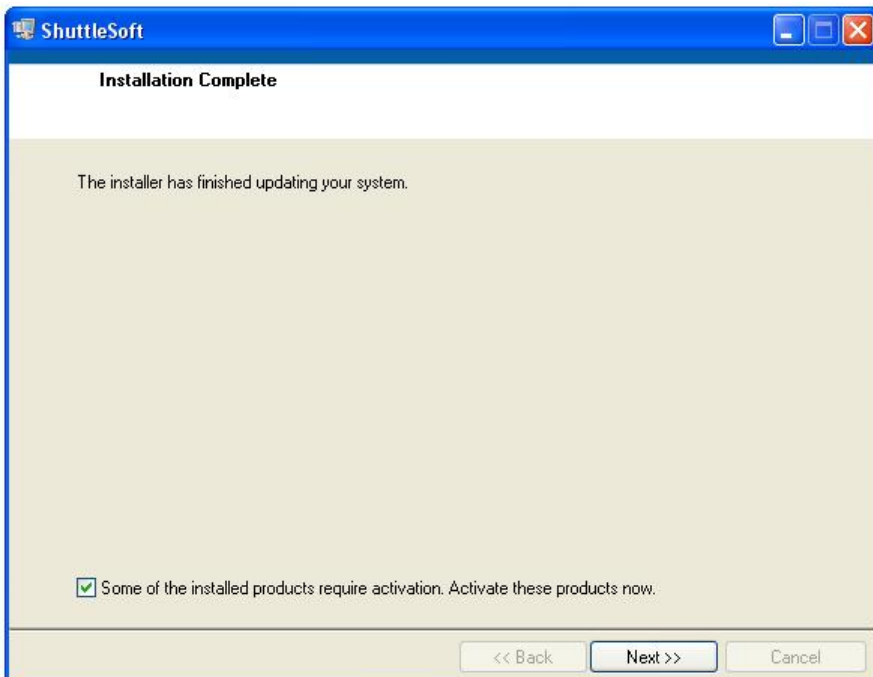
4. Click Next.

On Screen 5 the status of the installation is shown. The installation may take a while.

Screen 5



Screen 6



5. Click Next to end installation of ShuttleSoft and activate the product. This activation requires an internet connection.

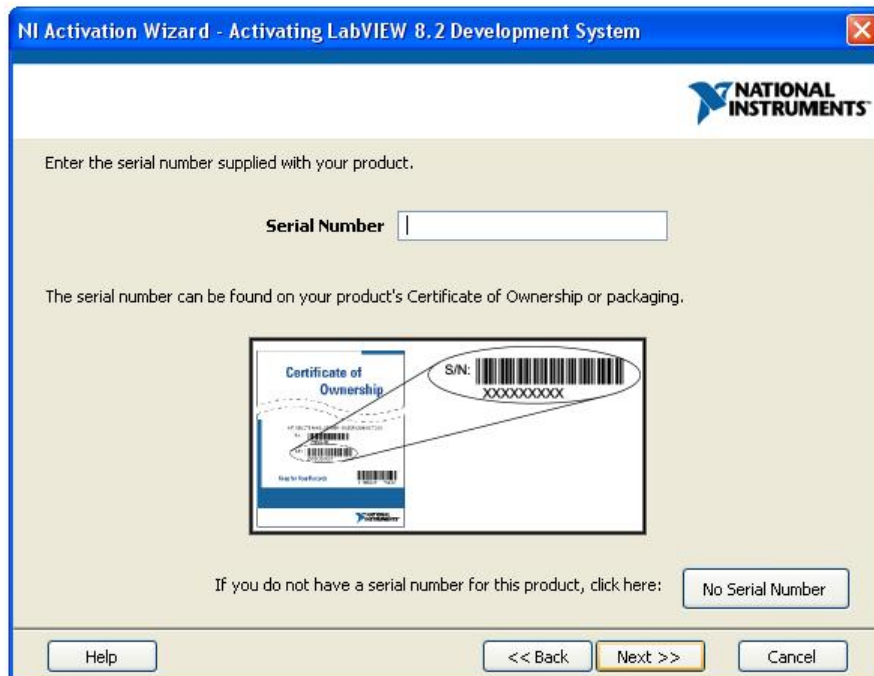
6. Choose automatic activation and click Next to activate the software.

Screen 7



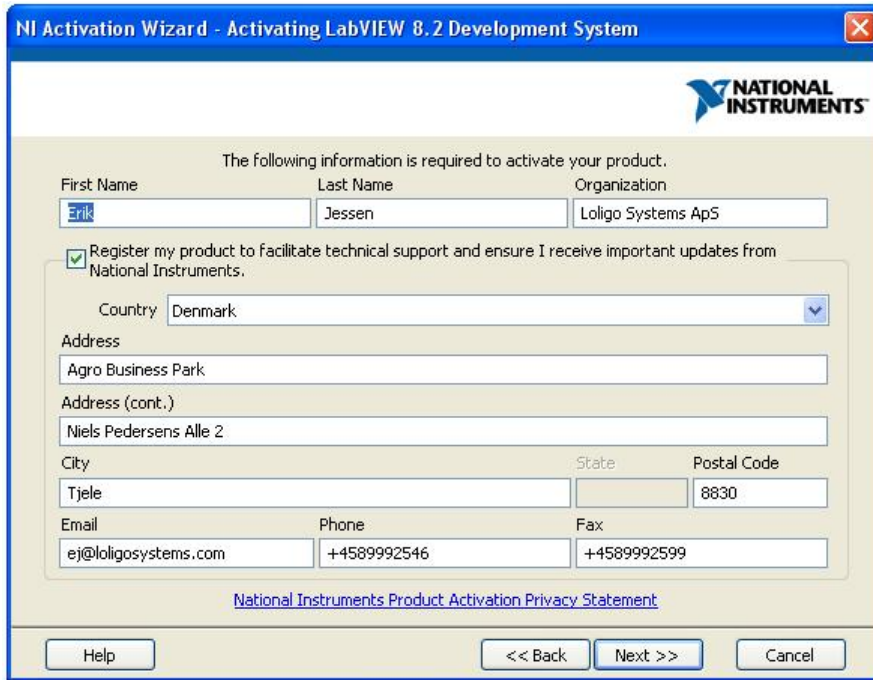
7. Enter the serial number found on the LabView Vison runtime license card. Then click on Next.

Screen 8



8. Fill out the fields with your information, when done click Next.

Screen 9



The following information is required to activate your product.

First Name	Last Name	Organization
Erik	Jessen	Loligo Systems ApS

Register my product to facilitate technical support and ensure I receive important updates from National Instruments.

Country: Denmark

Address: Agro Business Park

Address (cont.): Niels Pedersens Alle 2

City: Tjele State: Postal Code: 8830

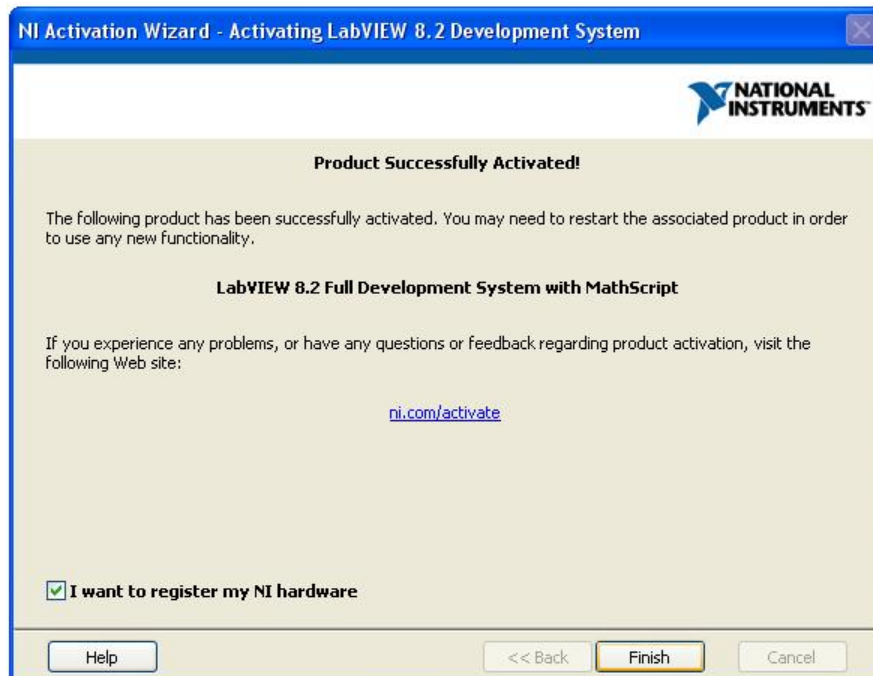
Email: ej@loligosystems.com Phone: +4589992546 Fax: +4589992599

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Buttons: Help, << Back, Next >>, Cancel

9. If activation is successful Screen 10 appears. Click on Finish to end the activation.

Screen 10



Product Successfully Activated!

The following product has been successfully activated. You may need to restart the associated product in order to use any new functionality.

LabVIEW 8.2 Full Development System with MathScript

If you experience any problems, or have any questions or feedback regarding product activation, visit the following Web site:

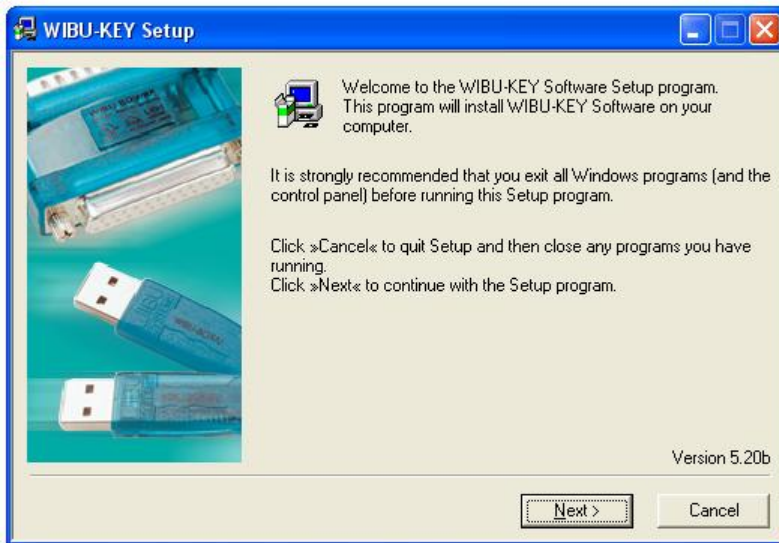
ni.com/activate

I want to register my NI hardware

Buttons: Help, << Back, Finish, Cancel

10. Now install drivers for the hardkey dongle. When Screen 11 appears, click Next.

Screen 11



11. Select supported language, and click Next.

12. Click Next without changing any options.

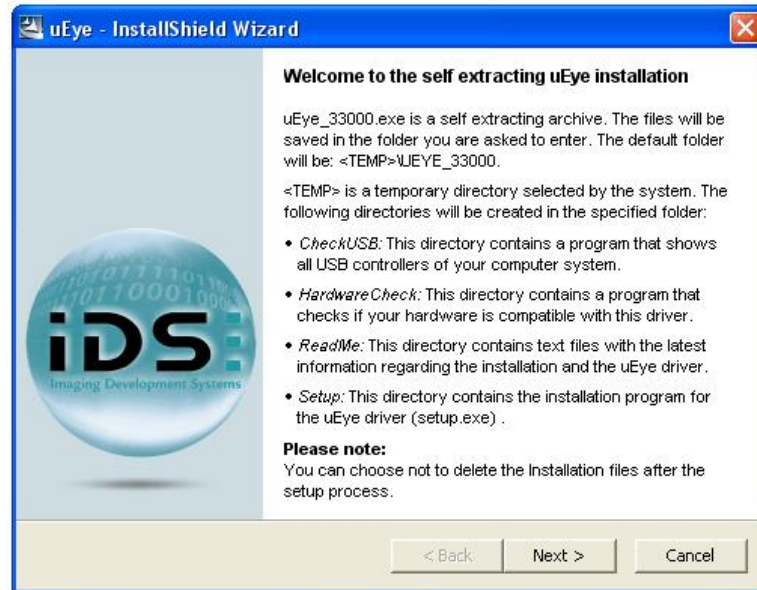
13. Click Next again after you have accepted the summary of the installation.

14. When installation is done, click Next again.

15. Click Finish to end installation of the WiBu drivers.

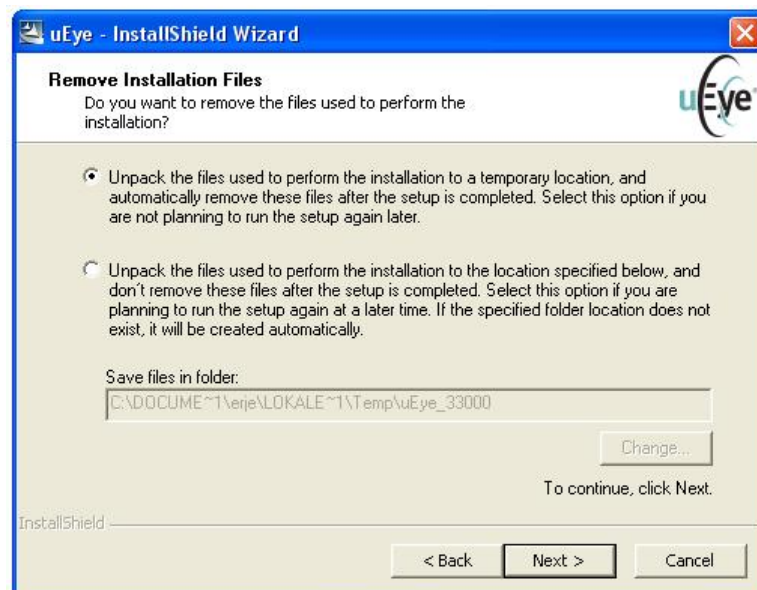
16. Now drivers for the uEye USB camera will be installed. When Screen 12 appears, click Next.

Screen 12



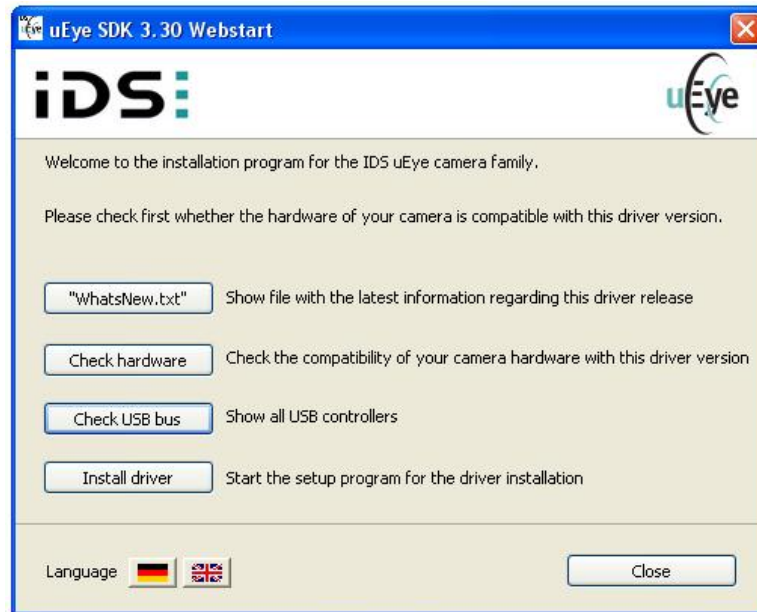
17. Select unpack and remove, and then click Next.

Screen 13



18. Wait for the files to be unpacked. The setup screen will appear when done.

Screen 14



19. Select "Install driver".

20. Choose language and then click Next.

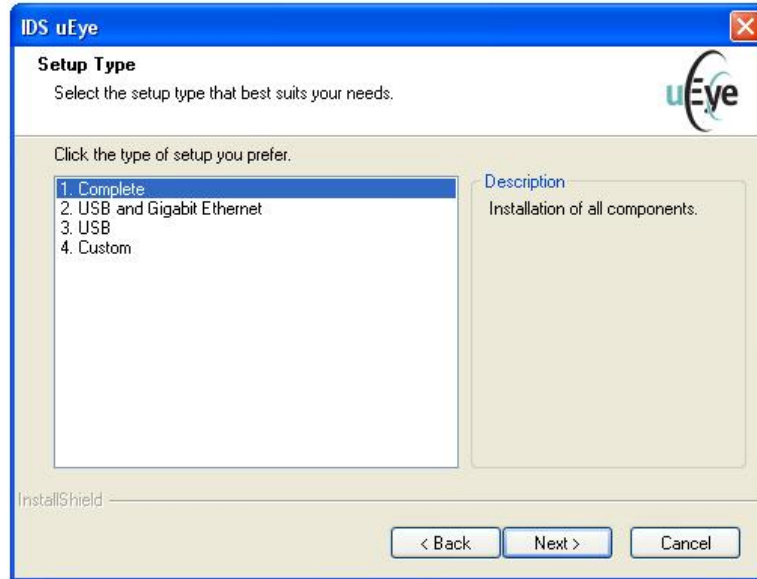
21. When Screen 15 appears click Next.

Screen 15



22. When Screen 16 appears select Complete and then click Next.

Screen 16



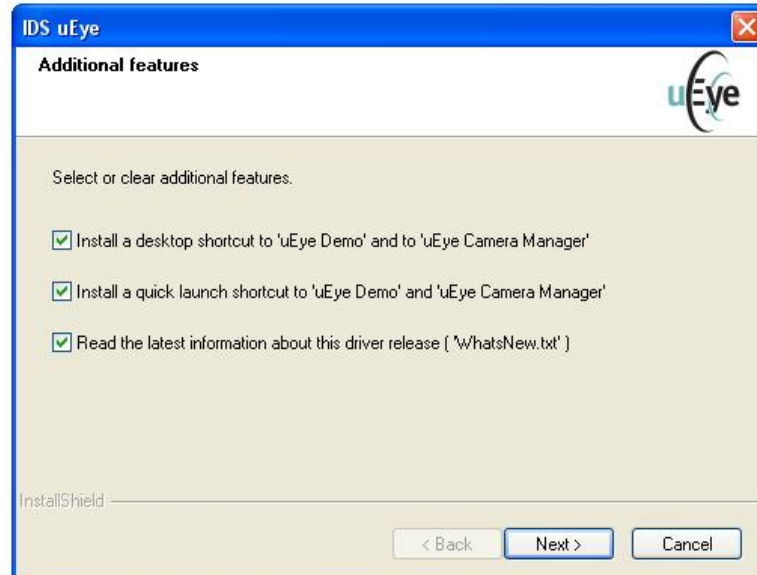
23. Choose a destination and then click Next.

24. Select a program folder and then click Next.

25. Click Install to start the installation.

26. Select the additional features you want, then click Next

Screen 17

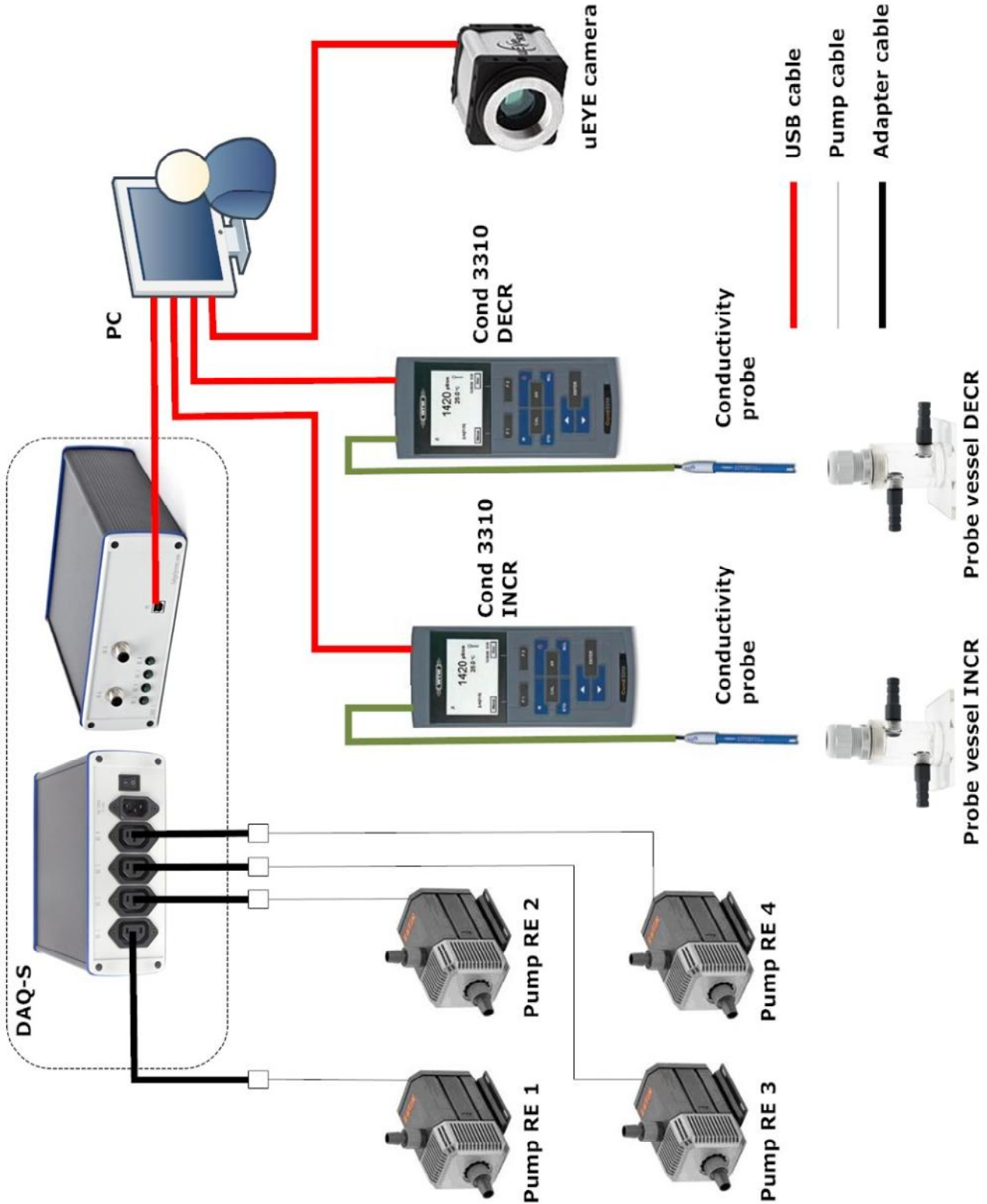


27. Select Click Finish to end the installation of the uEye software package.

28. Restart the Computer. You have now finished the installation of all the software.

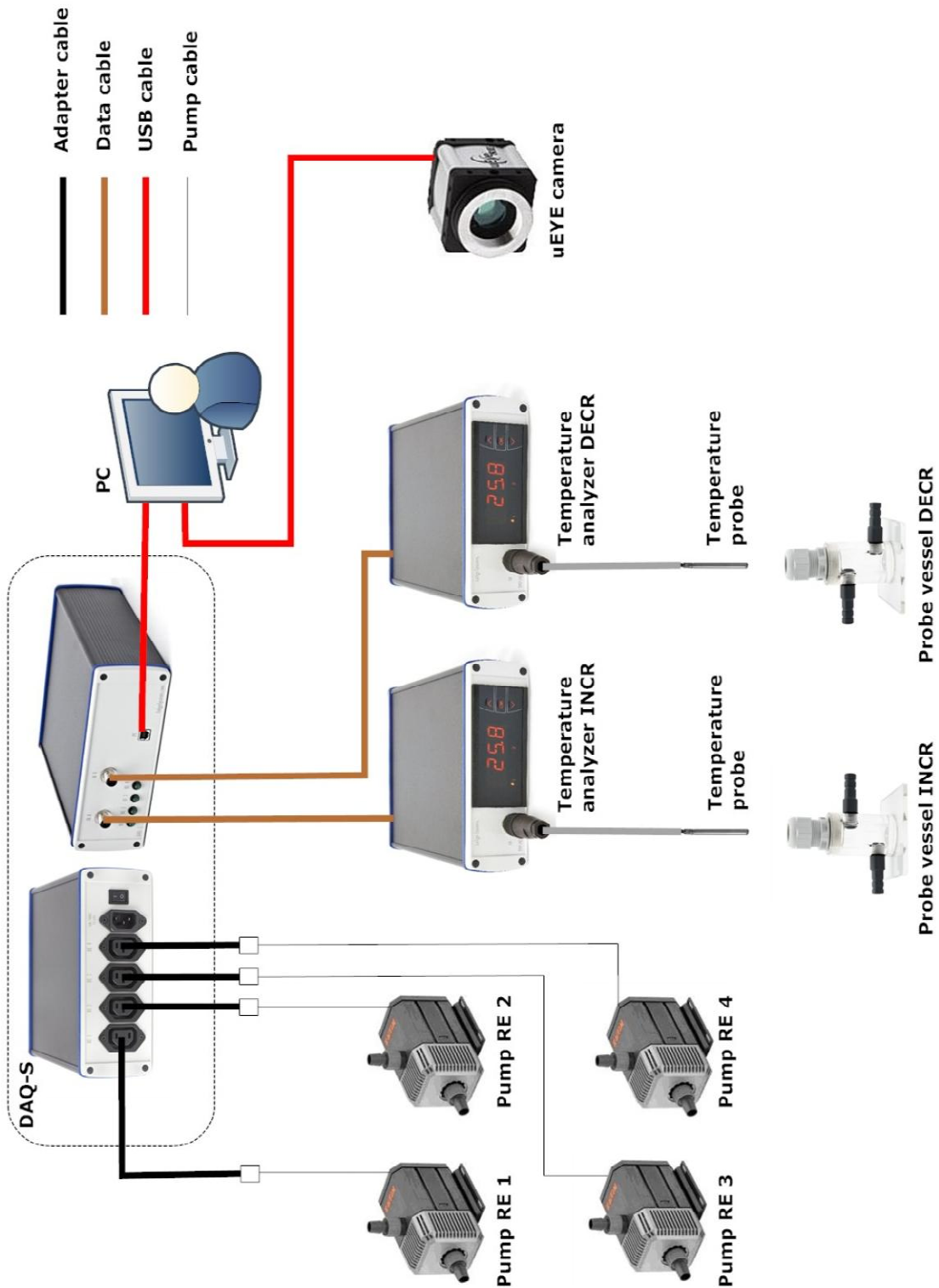
4.2 Connection overview salinity

The following diagram shows how to connect the instruments and devices used for running a preference salinity experiment.



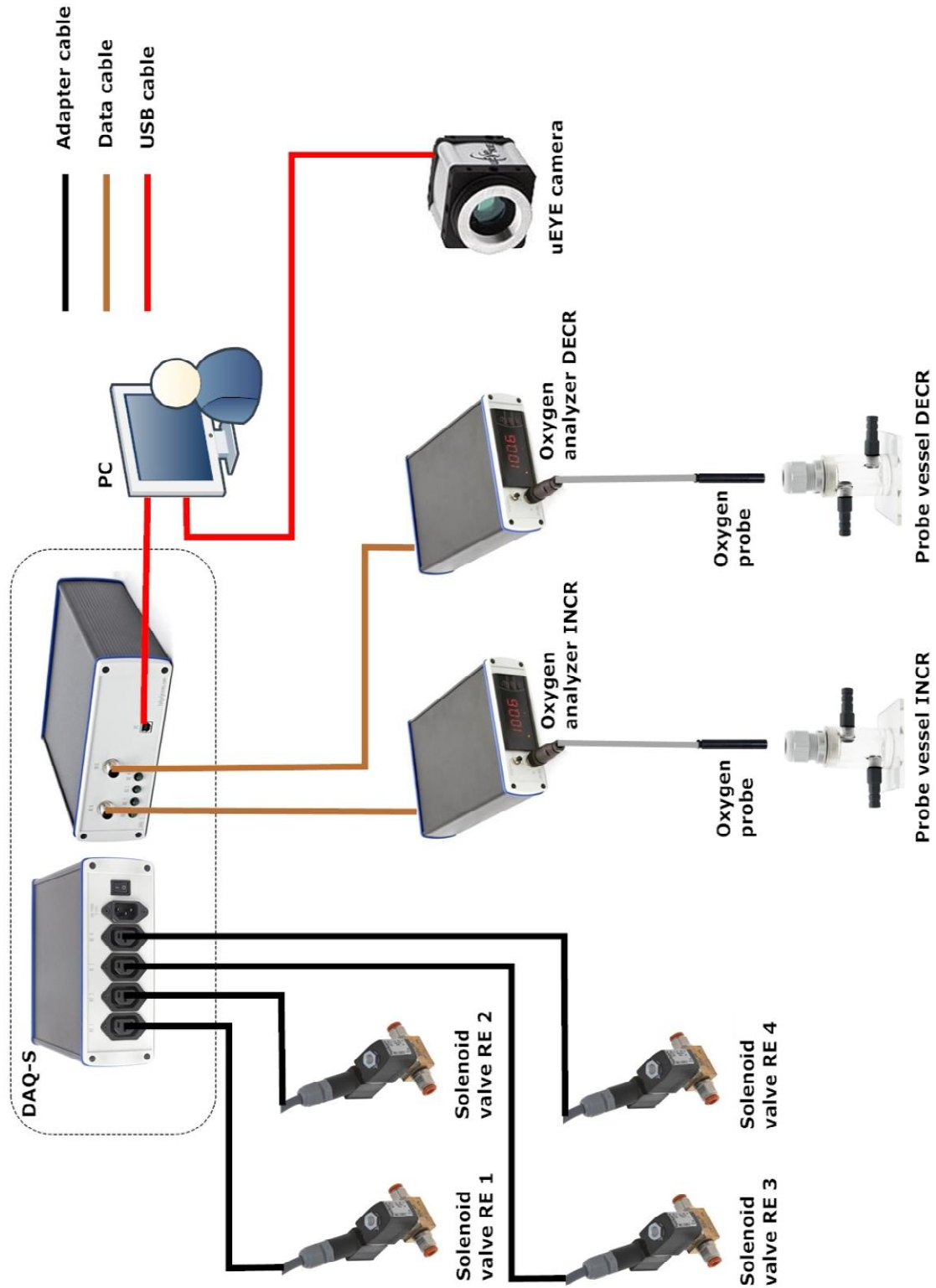
4.3 Connection overview temperature

The following diagram shows how to connect the instruments and devices used for running a preference temperature experiment.



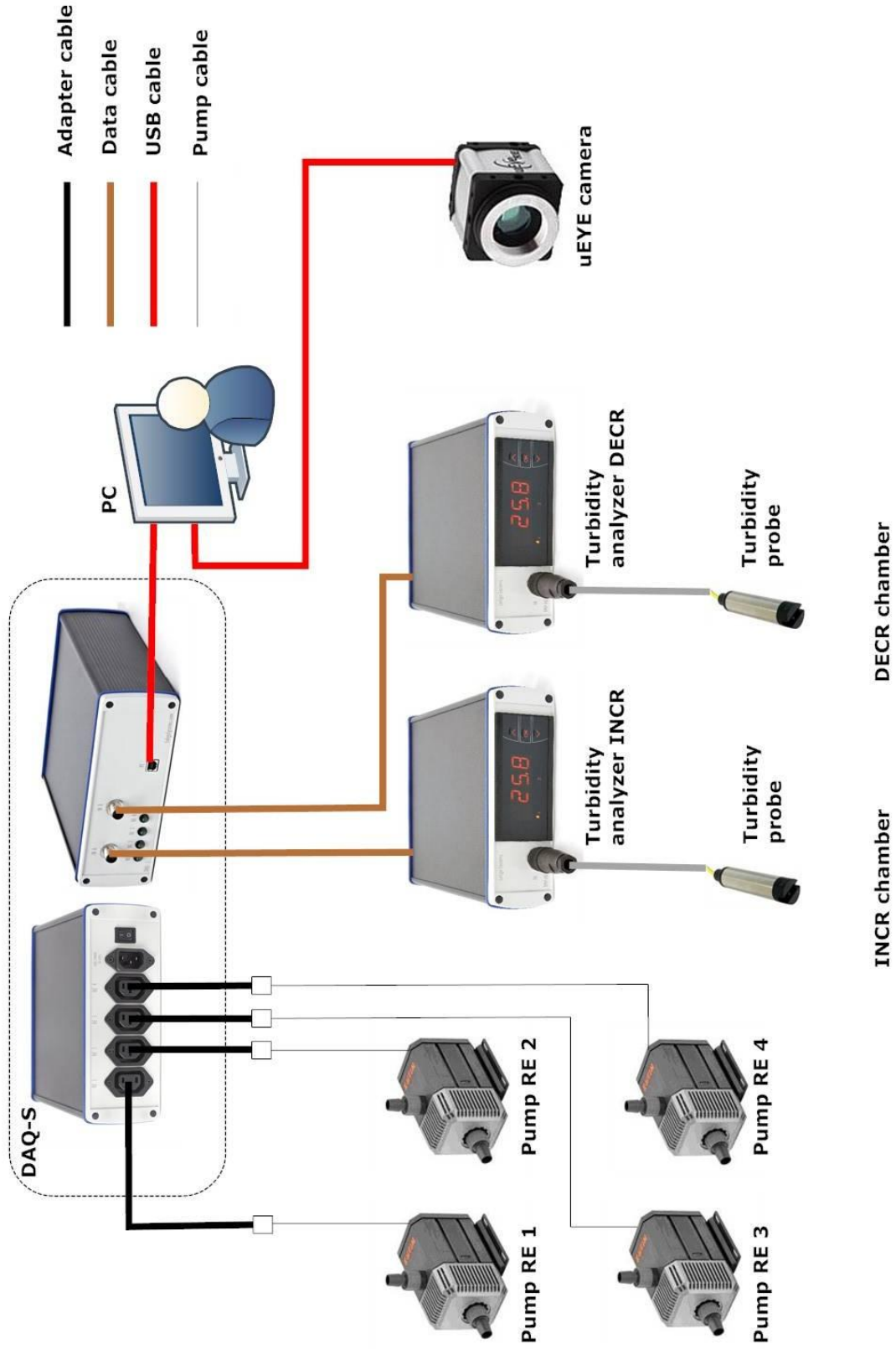
4.4 Connection overview oxygen

The following diagram shows how to connect the instruments and devices used for running a preference oxygen experiment.



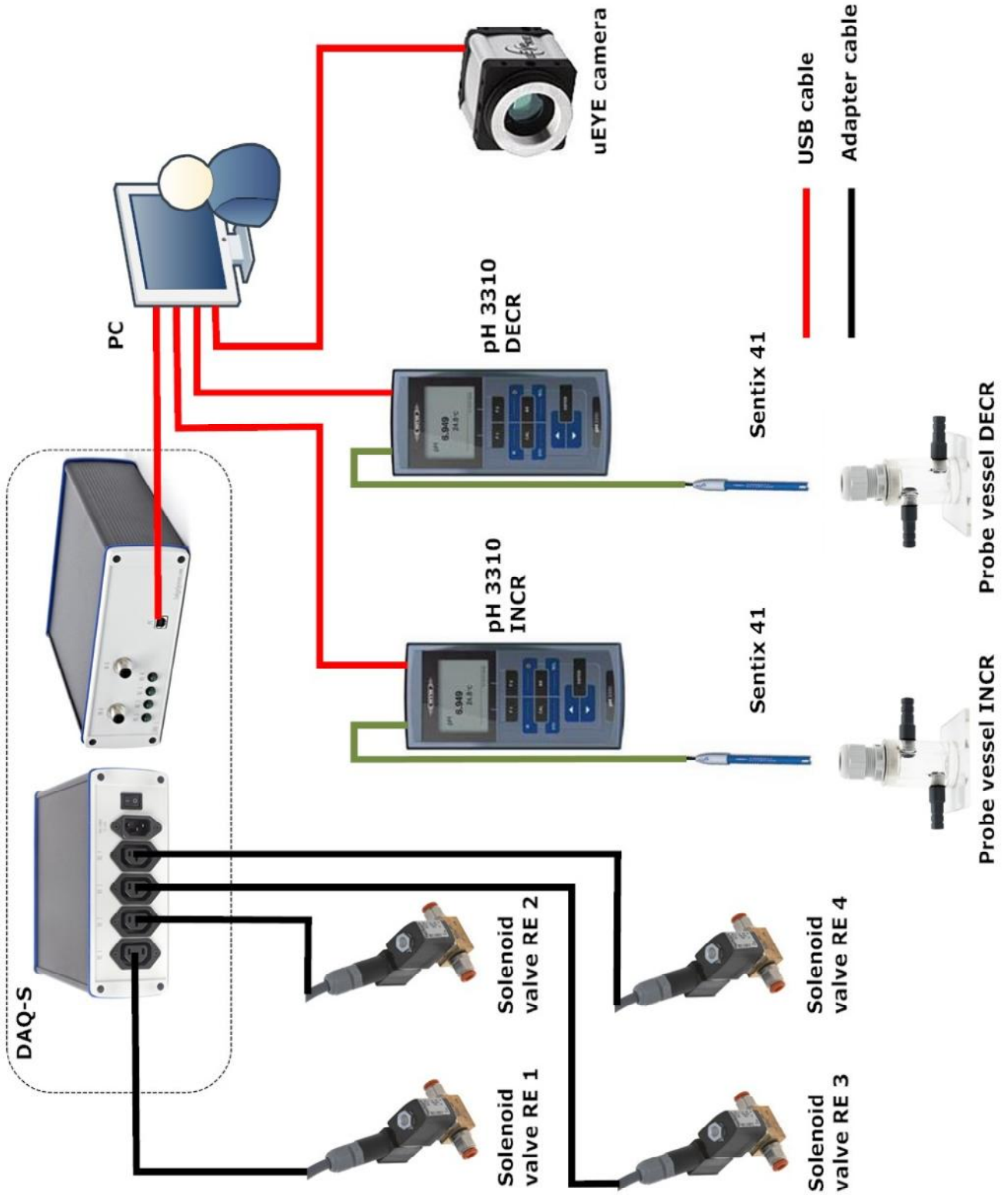
4.5 Connection overview turbidity

The following diagram shows how to connect the instruments and devices used for running a preference turbidity experiment.



4.6 Connection overview pH/pCO2

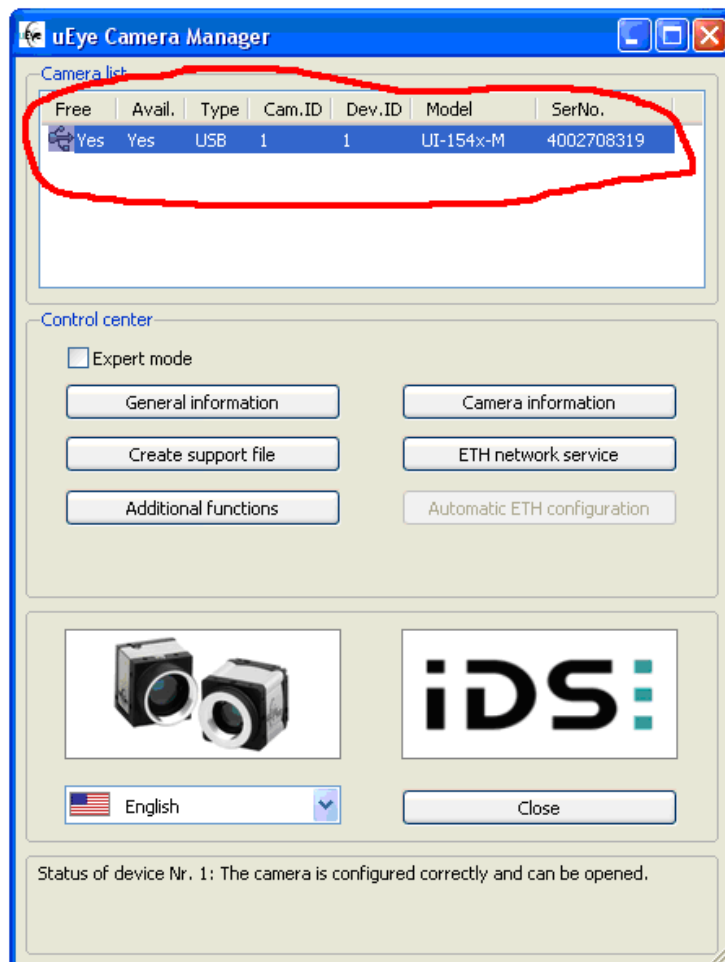
The following diagram shows how to connect the instruments and devices used for running a preference pH/pCO2 experiment.



4.7 uEye USB camera

1. Connect the uEye USB camera to the PC. After a few seconds the software installation will start automatically.
2. Click on "Install the software automatically (Recommended)" and then on Next.
3. Click on continue anyways.
4. Click on Finish.
5. Open the uEye camera manager by clicking Start→All Programs→IDS→uEYE

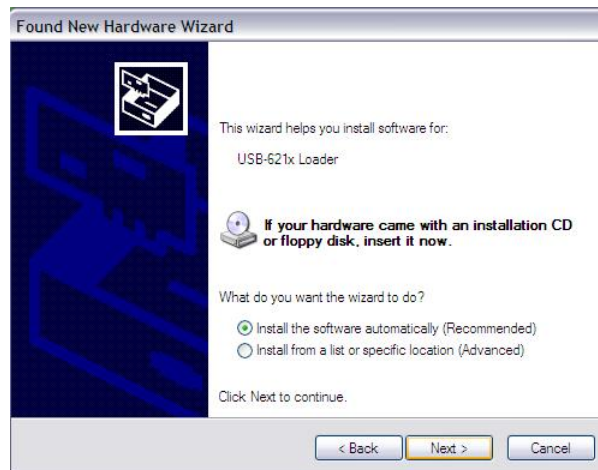
Screen 18



6. If installation was successful, the uEYE camera is now shown here.
7. Mount the lens on the uEYE camera.
8. The uEYE camera is now ready for use with ShuttleSoft.

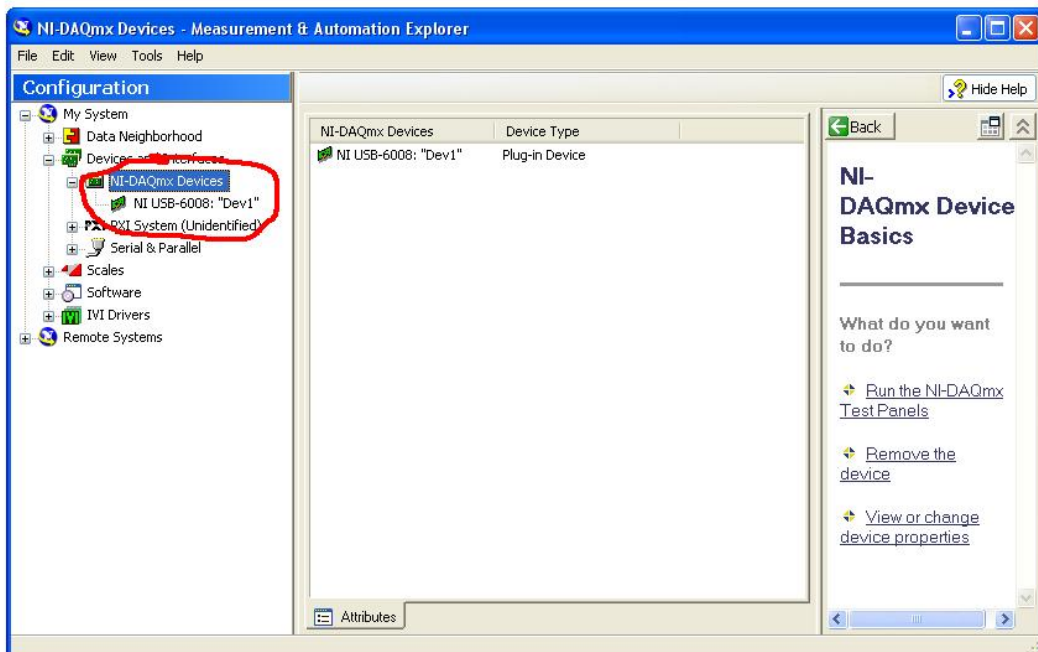
4.8 DAQ-S/DAQ-M instrument

1. Connect the DAQ instrument to the PC. After a few seconds the software installation will start automatically.
2. Click on "Install the software automatically (Recommended)" and then on Next



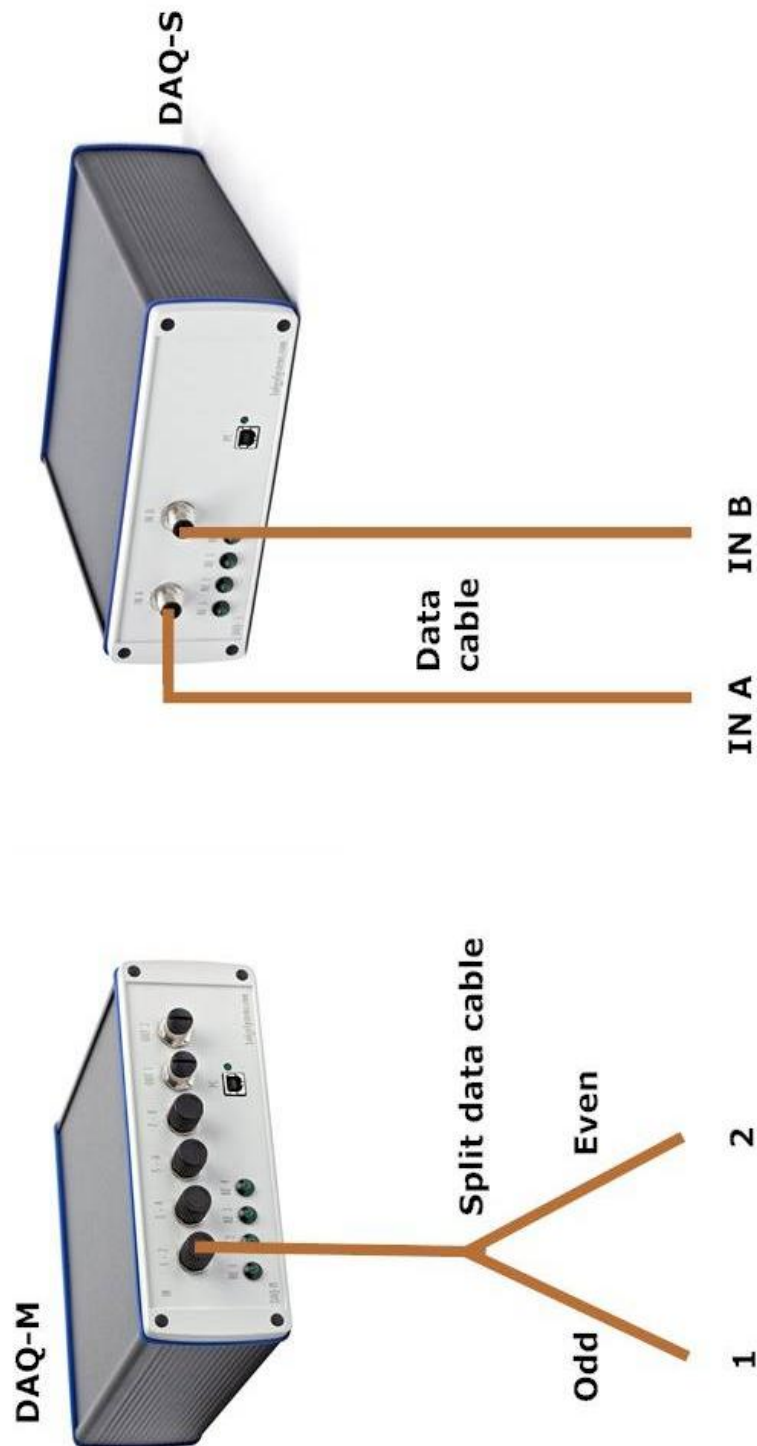
3. The drivers will now be installed, when done click Finish.
4. Open the Measurement and Automation Explorer (MAX) by clicking Start→All Programs→National Instruments→MAX

Screen 19



5. If installation was successful, the USB-6008(DAQ-S)/USB-6009(DAQ-M) card is now shown here.

Please note, that the newer DAQ-M instrument has eight analog input channels, whereas the DAQ-S has only two. The input channels on the DAQ-S are named IN A and IN B. The corresponding inputs on the newer DAQ-M instrument are inputs 1 and 2. To get access to those two input channels the split data cables are needed.

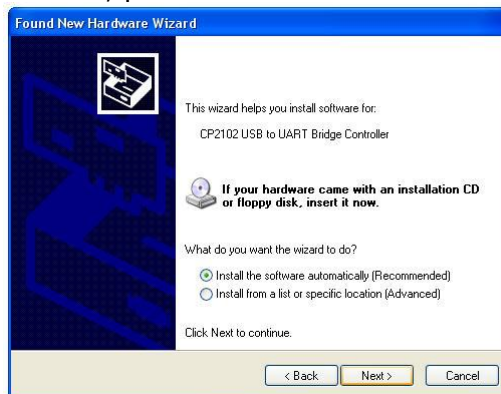


4.9 WTW 3310 Cond instrument (salinity only)

1. Connect the WTW Cond 3310 instrument to your PC. After a few seconds the software installation will start automatically.



2. Click on "Install the software automatically (Recommended)" and then on Next. If Windows cannot find the drivers, please insert the WTW disc.



3. The drivers will now be installed, when done click Finish.



4. Repeat step 1-3 for the second WTW Cond 3310 instrument.

The WTW 3310 Cond needs to be calibrated before starting an experiment. Please follow the instructions in the WTW user manual of the instrument. The user manual can be found on the CD delivered together with the instrument.

Before starting ShuttleSoft the WTW instrument serial interface has to be set, to secure export of data.



1. Press ENTER in 2 seconds and choose **System**. Then press **Reset** and choose **Yes**.
2. Then press F1 and choose **Reset**. Press **Yes**.
3. Press the M button several times until the instrument measures in Sal.
4. Press the F2 button in 2 seconds. Choose **Interval** and set it to 1 s.
5. Now choose **Continue** and press ENTER.

The WTW instrument will now start sending data out every second via the serial interface (RS232).

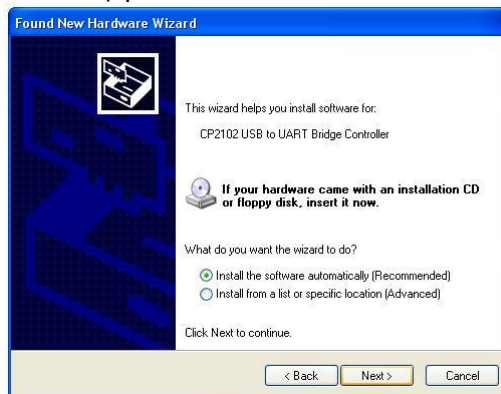
DO NOT CHANGE ANY SETTINGS, LIKE LANGUAGE, SEND ID, UNIT ETC. ELSE THE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE INSTRUMENT AND SHUTTLESOFT WILL FAIL.

4.10 WTW 3310 pH instrument (pH/pCO2 only)

5. Connect the WTW pH 3310 instrument to your PC. After a few seconds the software installation will start automatically.



6. Click on "Install the software automatically (Recommended)" and then on Next. If Windows cannot find the drivers, please insert the WTW disc.



7. The drivers will now be installed, when done click Finish.



8. Repeat step 1-3 for the second WTW pH 3310 instrument.

The WTW 3310 pH needs to be calibrated before starting an experiment. Please follow the instructions in the WTW user manual of the instrument. The user manual can be found on the CD delivered together with the instrument.

Before starting ShuttleSoft the WTW instrument serial interface has to be set, to secure export of data.



1. Press ENTER in 2 seconds and choose **System**. Then press **Reset** and choose **Yes**.
2. Then press F1 and choose **Reset**. Press **Yes**.
3. Press ENTER in 2 seconds and choose **System**. Then press **Interface** and then **Output format**. Choose **CSV** and press ENTER. Leave the menu.
4. Press the F2 button in 2 seconds. Choose **Interval** and set it to 1 s.
5. Set **SEND ID** to **Yes**.
6. Now choose **Continue** and press ENTER.

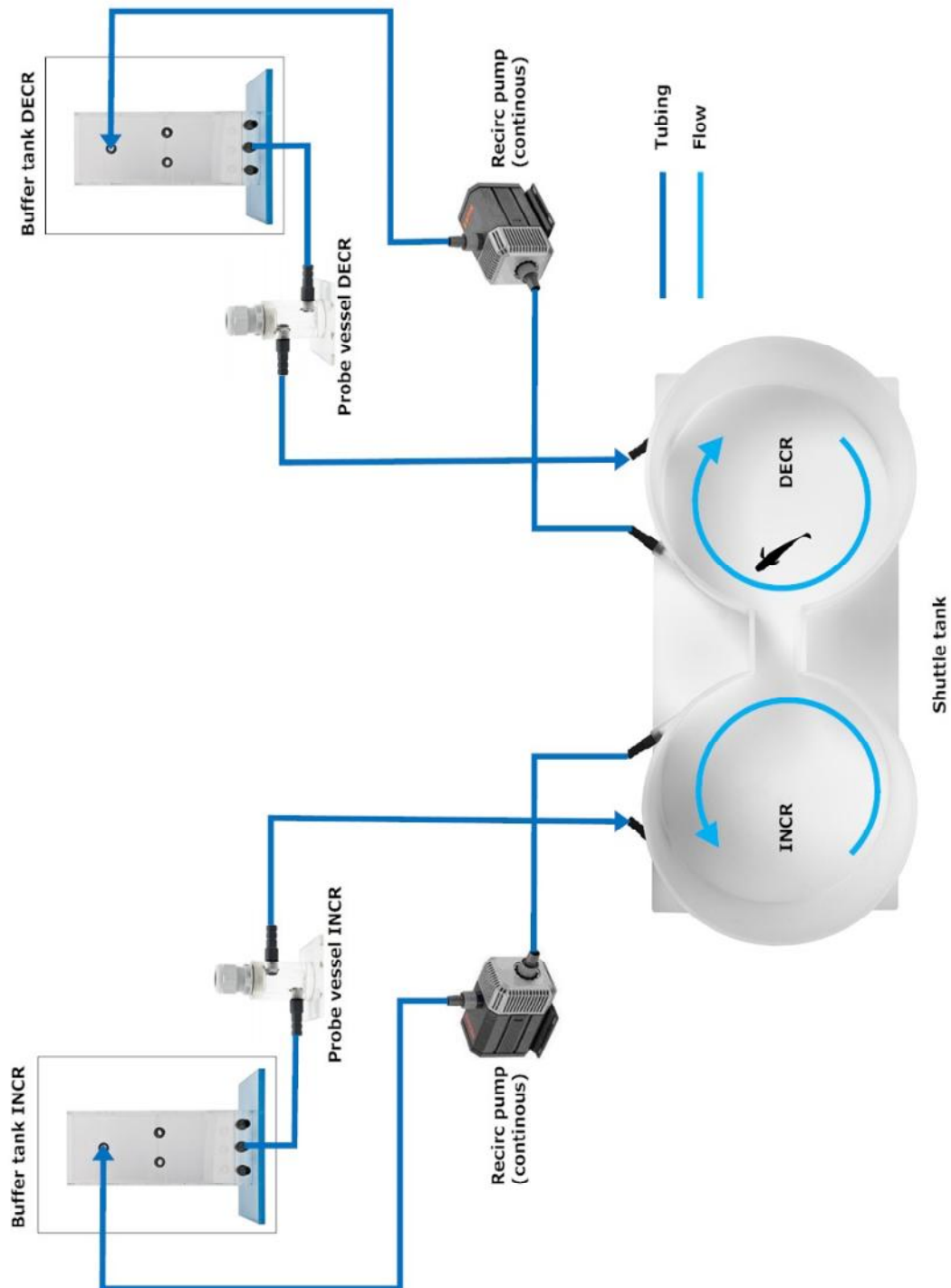
The WTW instrument will now start sending data out every second via the serial interface (RS232).

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5. Experiment set up

5.1 Tank

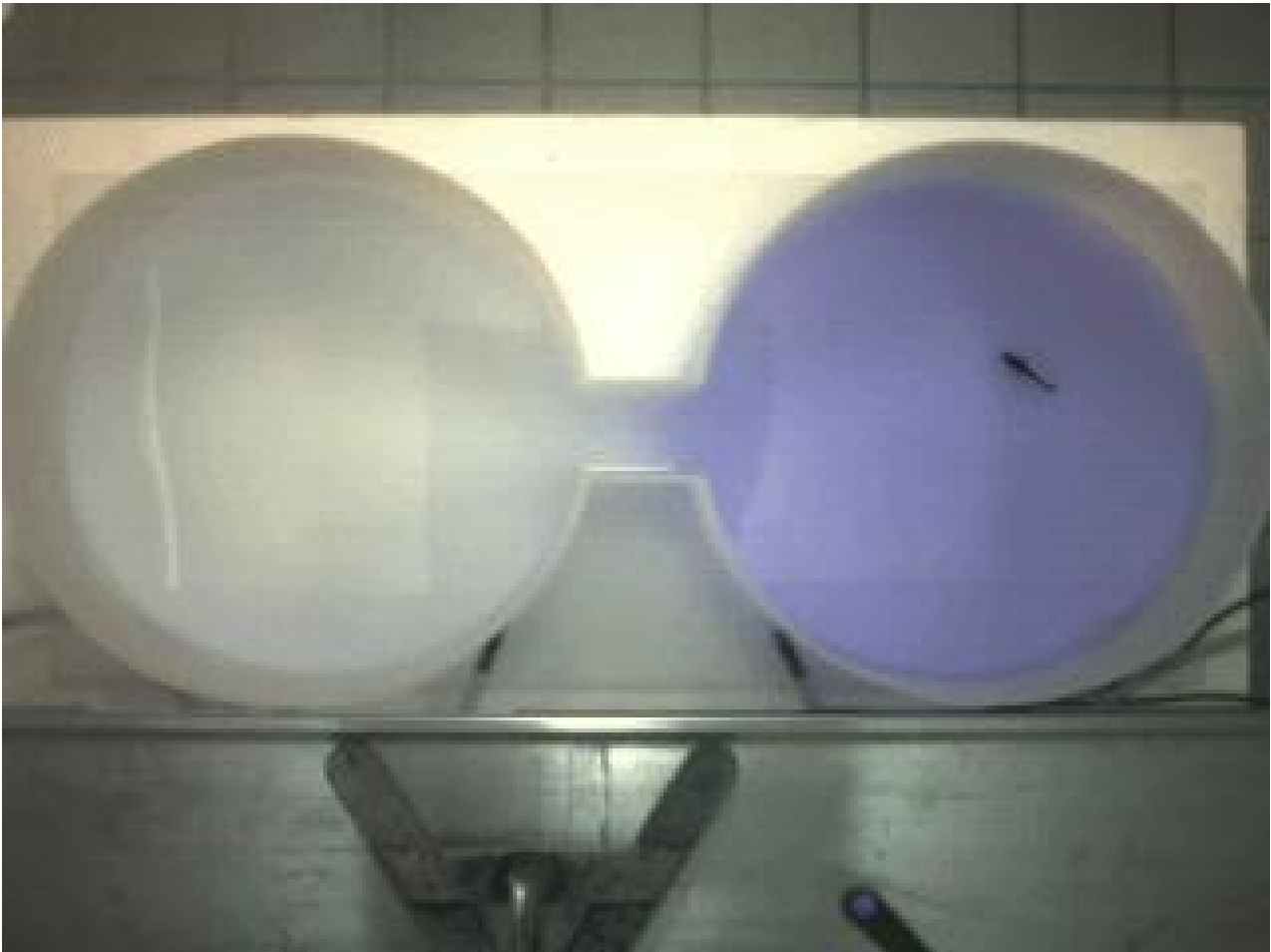
Set up the shuttle tank system as shown in the diagram below. Make sure to check if the direction of flow is correct. For optimum separation of flows, it is very important to that both sub compartments are fed with exactly equal flow rates. To adjust the flow rate use tube clamps on the hose going from each pump, and/or raise/lower the position of the buffer tanks feeding the Shuttle box tank.



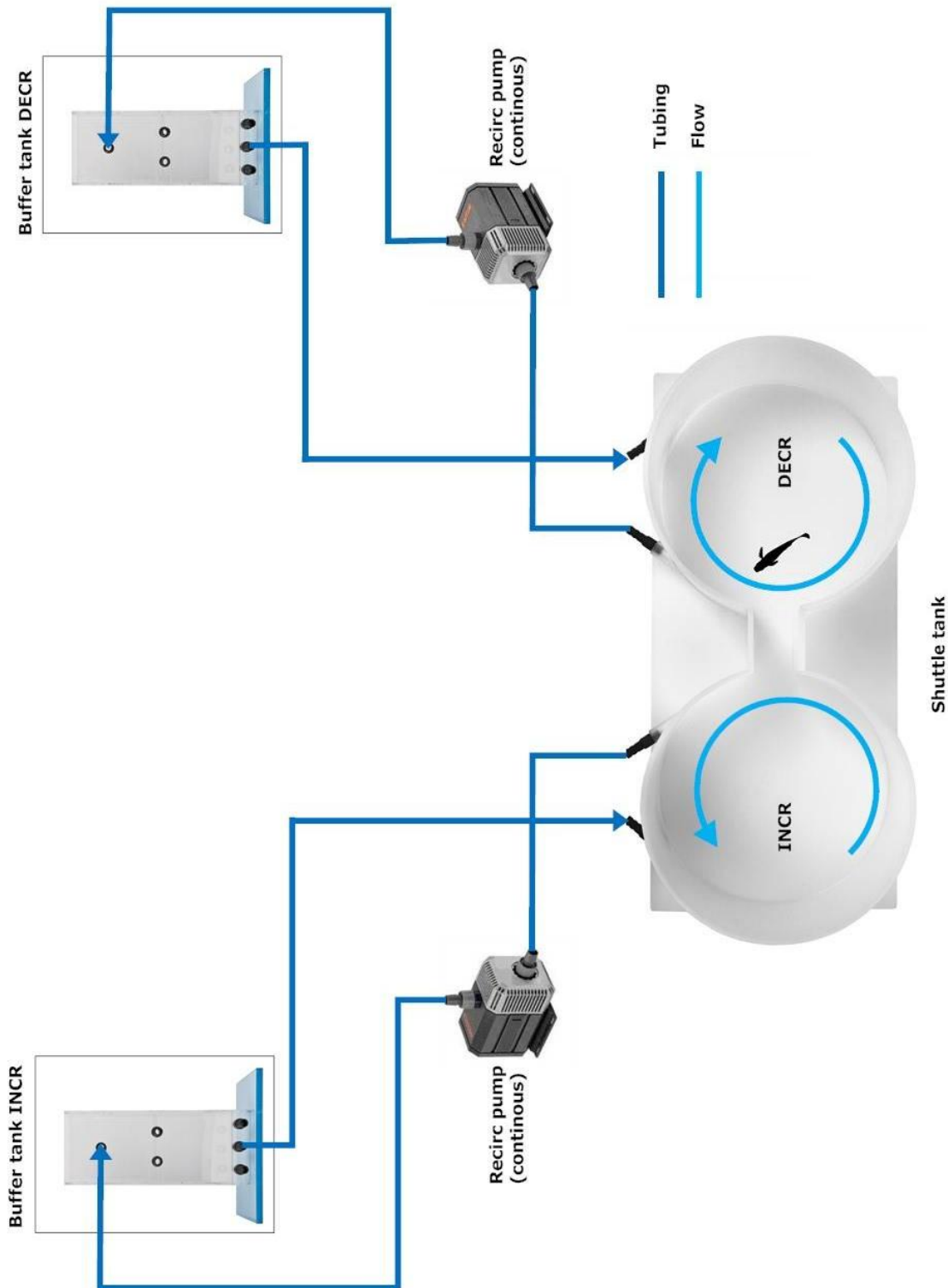
To avoid mixing between the two sub-compartments, it is also very important that the water surface level is equal between the two sides, i.e. to avoid water from one side entering the other due to pressure differences (gravity).

System check

It is easy to check flows inside the tank by adding a colored dye to one side and follow it over time. Please check the picture below for reference.

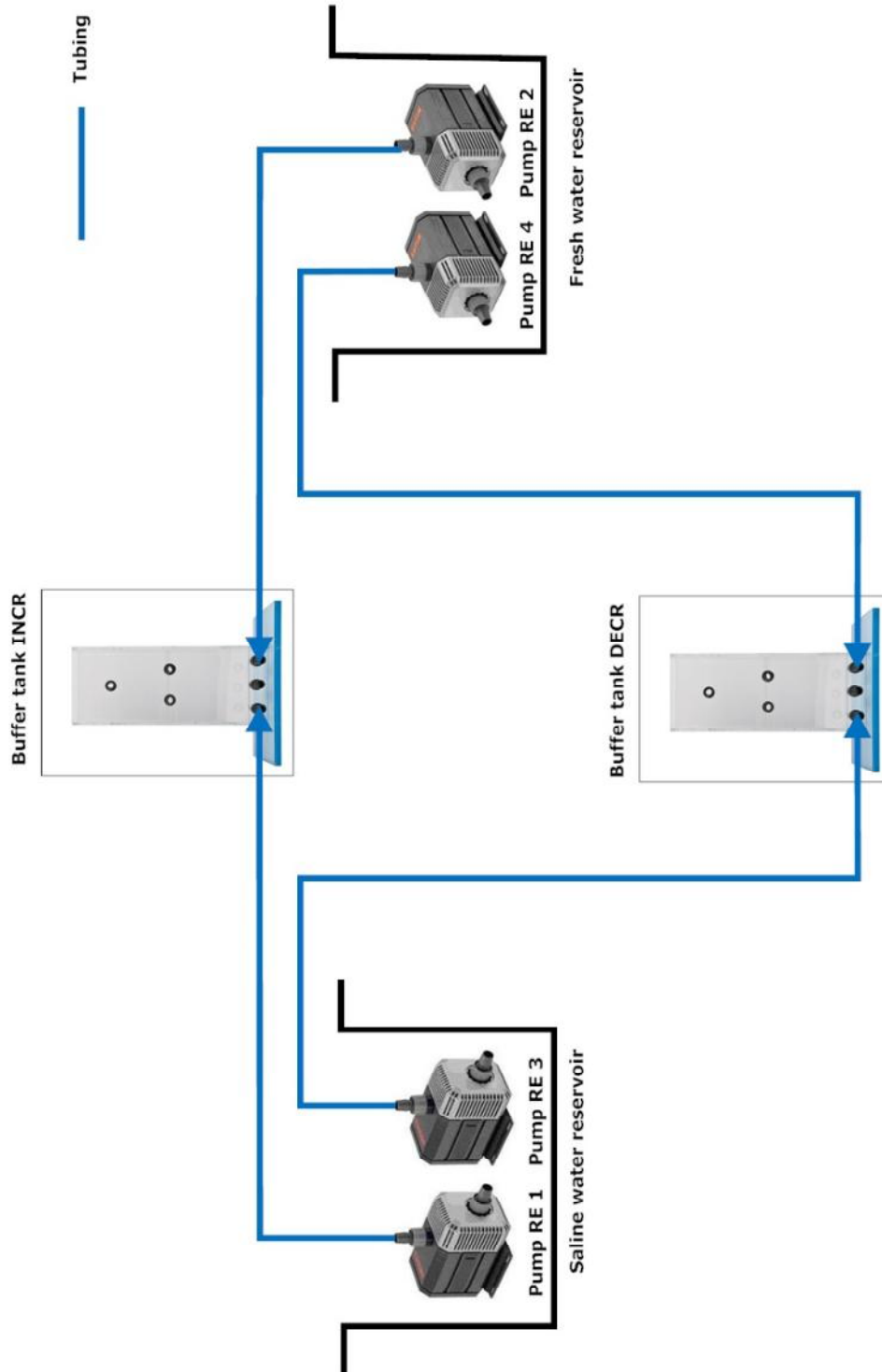


Please note, that when running a turbidity experiment no probe vessels are used. Set up the shuttle tank system as shown in the diagram below. Place the turbidity probes in the Shuttle tank chambers directly.



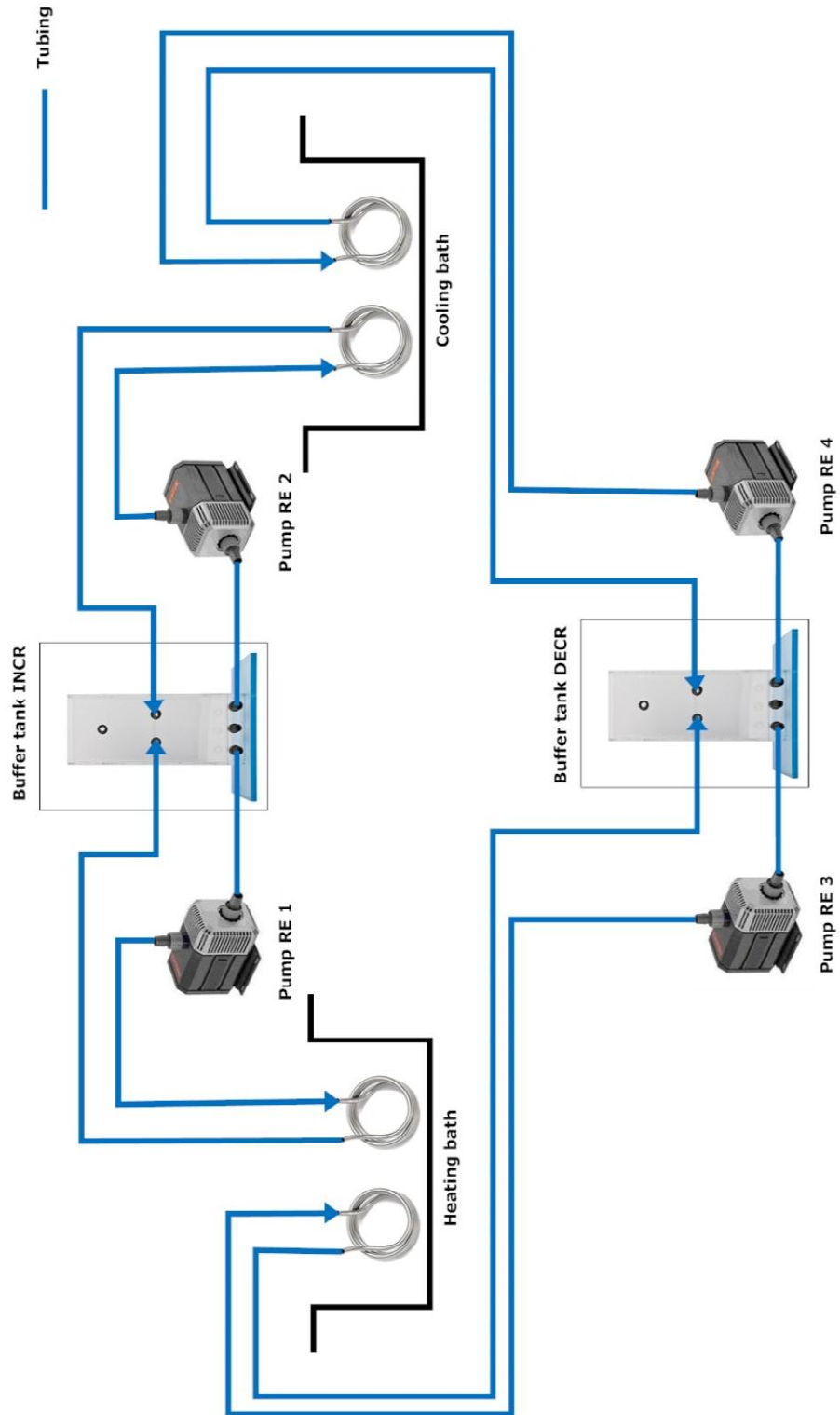
5.2 Salinity

The diagram below shows how to connect buffer tanks with water reservoirs (not supplied) containing high and low saline water. The fittings in the middle of each buffer tank are used as overflows.



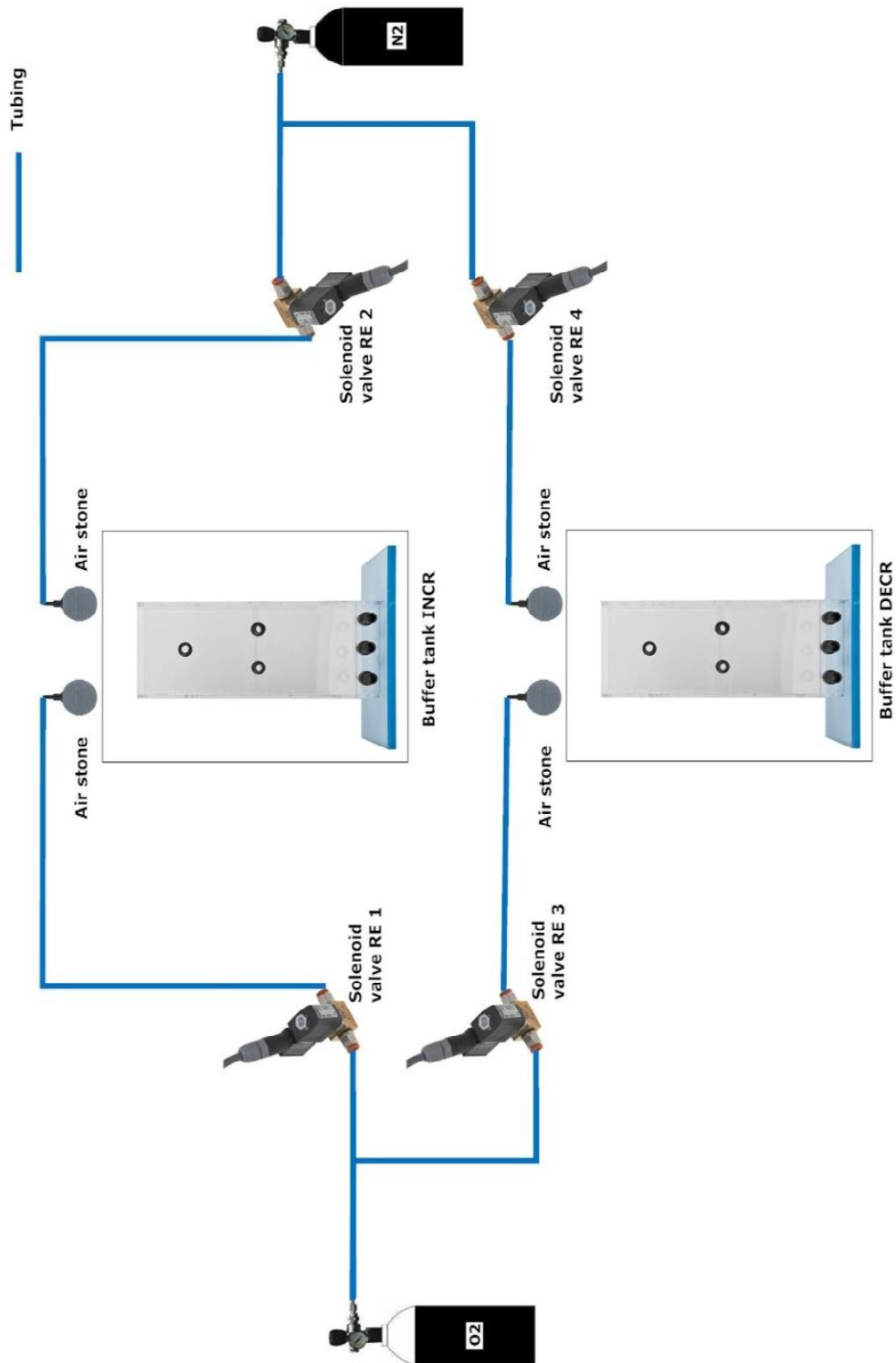
5.3 Temperature

The diagram below shows how to connect the buffer tanks with the cooling/heating baths (not supplied).



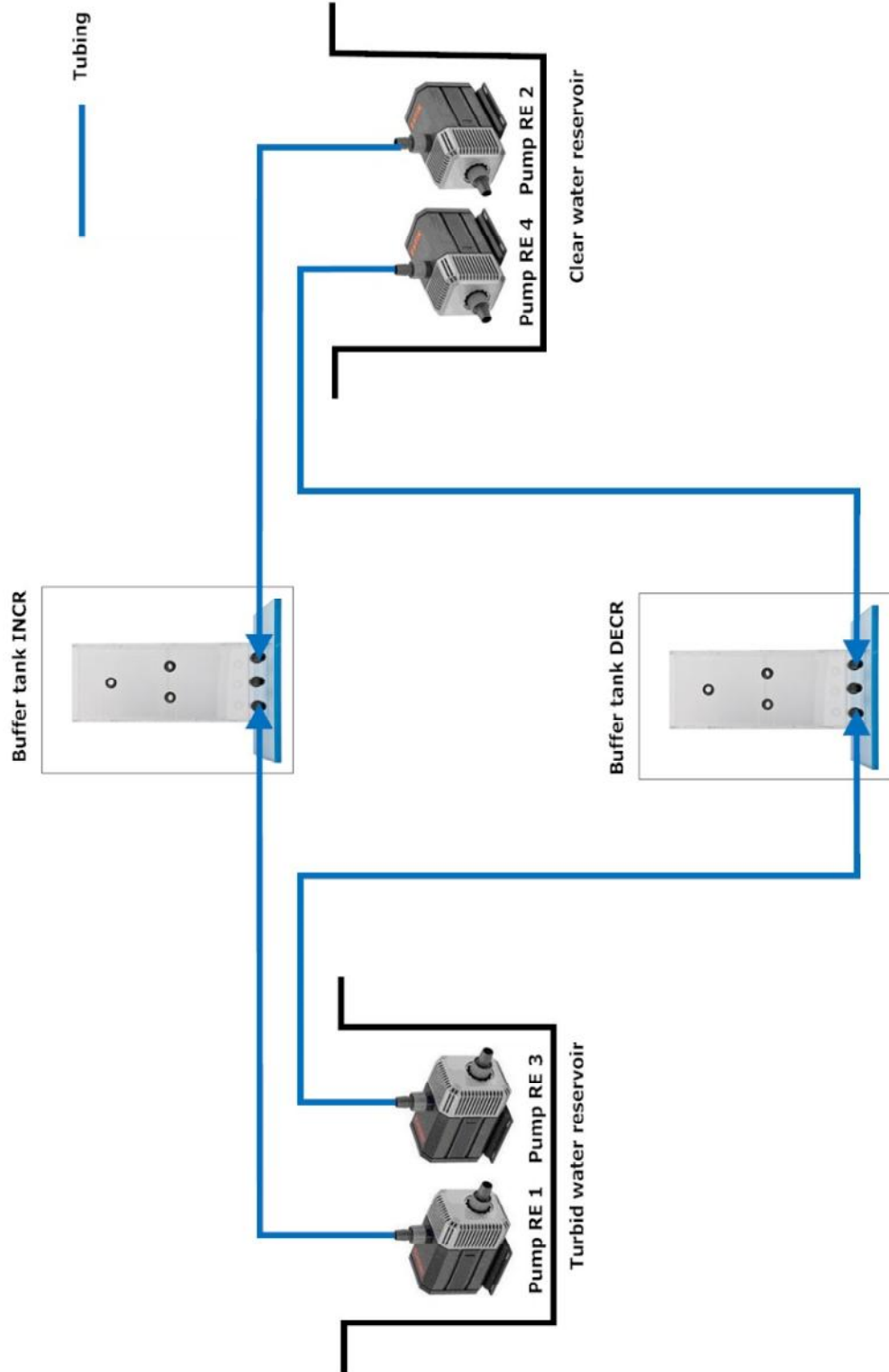
5.4 Oxygen

The diagram below shows how to connect the buffer tanks with O₂/N₂ gas bottles (not supplied). The air stones need to be placed into down at the bottom of the buffer tanks. The remaining fittings on each buffer tank are connected together.



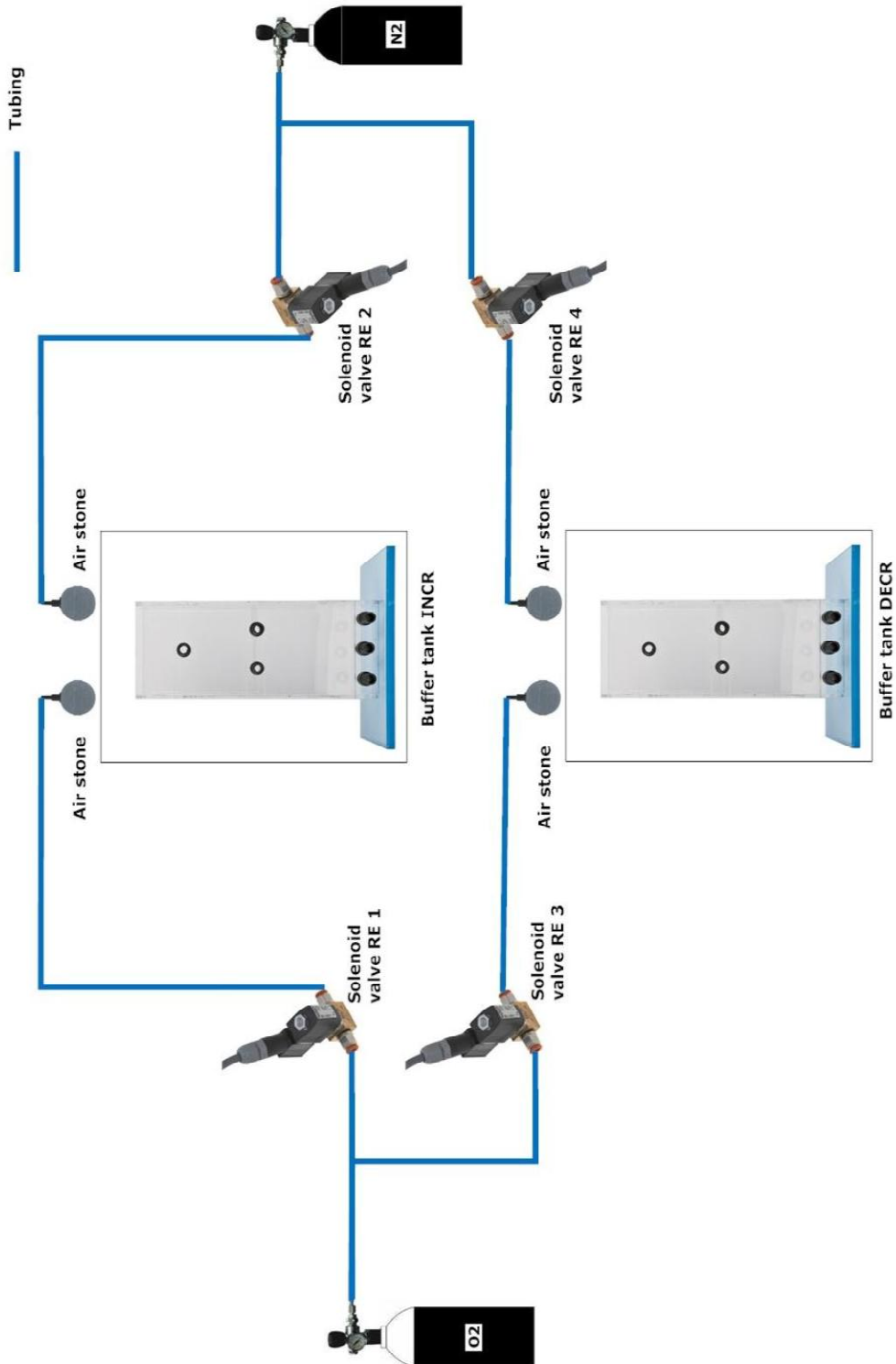
5.5 Turbidity

The diagram below shows how to connect buffer tanks with water reservoirs (not supplied) containing turbid and clear water. The fittings in the middle of each buffer tank are used as overflows.



5.6 pH/pCO2

The diagram below shows how to connect the buffer tanks with air/N₂ gas bottles (not supplied). The air stones need to be placed into down at the bottom of the buffer tanks. The remaining fittings on each buffer tank are connected together.



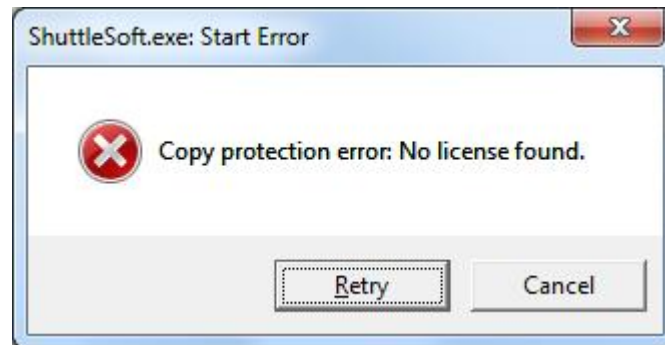
6. Using ShuttleSoft

6.1 Start up

Start ShuttleSoft by clicking Start→All Programs→ShuttleSoft→ShuttleSoft.

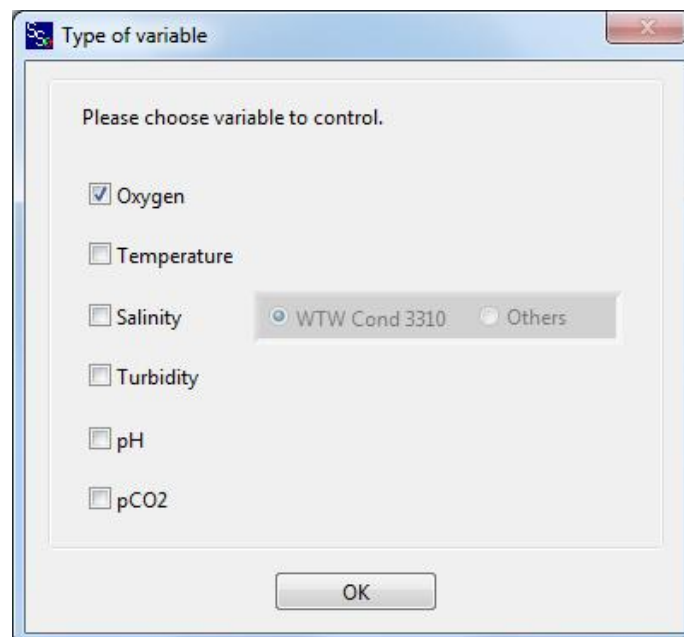
If the USB hardkey dongle is not connected to the PC, an error dialog box pops up, see Screen 20.

Screen 20

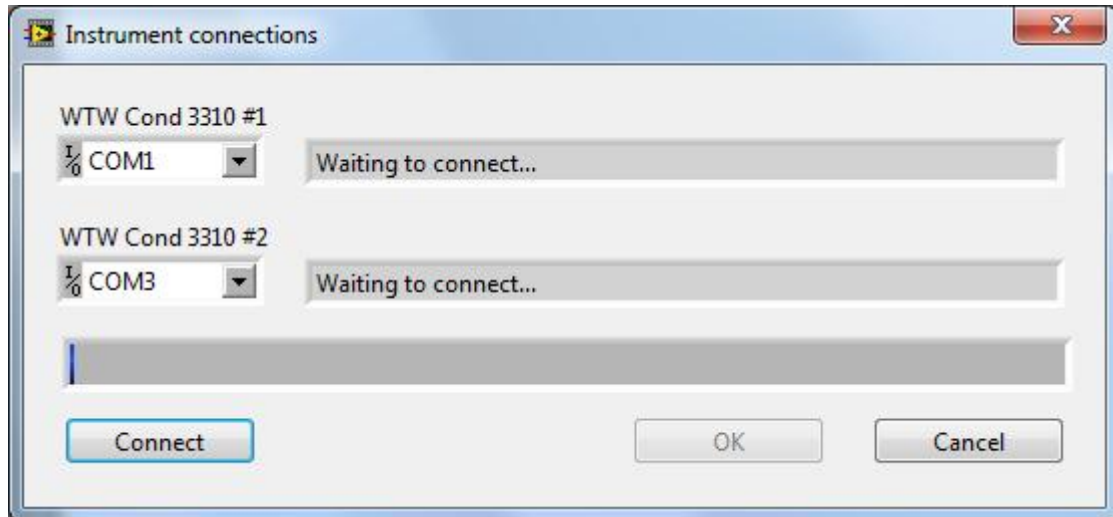


Connect the USB hardkey dongle to your PC and wait for the device to be recognized, then click on Retry. Then ShuttleSoft will ask the user of what kind the input is.

Screen 21



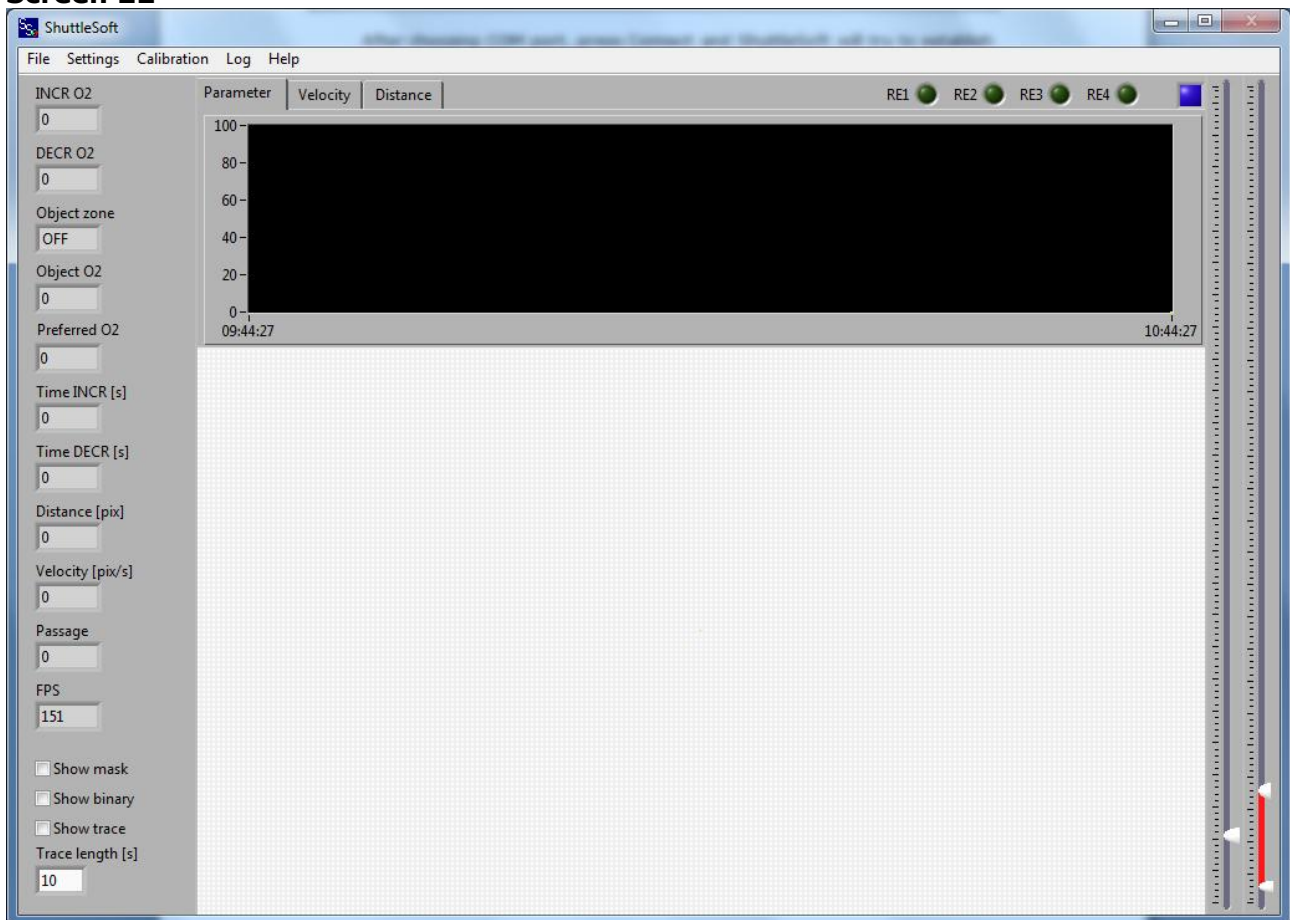
If choosing preferred Salinity experiment and WTW Cond 3310 or pH or pCO2 the following screen will appear where user is asked to choose the right COM ports for the two WTW 3310 instruments.



After choosing COM port, press Connect and ShuttleSoft will try to establish communication with the two WTW 3310 Cond instruments. If connection was successful, the OK button gets available, and the user can continue the initialization by pressing OK.

Now Screen 22 will now appear.

Screen 22



ShuttleSoft will connect automatically to the first uEye camera found. If no uEye camera is found, ShuttleSoft will detect all USB cameras connected to the PC and ask the user which camera should be used.

If no USB camera is found connected to the PC, the following box will appear.



The next step is that ShuttleSoft looks for a DAQ-S instrument connected to the PC and is named dev1.

If a DAQ instrument is connected to the PC but ShuttleSoft has problems finding it please look in the chapter Troubleshooting. If ShuttleSoft has found the DAQ-instrument, the initialization is done and images from the camera can now be seen on the screen.

6.2 New experiment

To zoom place the mouse over the picture and use the scroll button to zoom.

1. Threshold tool. Start by clicking Show Binary and use the vertical threshold bars to find the animal inside the Shuttle Box. Start by choosing a narrow range (short distance between the 2 bars) and then use the right hand side slider to scan the image for your animal. If necessary use the filter options found in Settings→Filter to remove irrelevant pixels in the picture. When done click Show Binary again to view unmodified images.

To avoid tracking any moving objects outside the Shuttle Box, click Settings→Mask to draw a mask excluding areas outside the experimental tank for analysis. When done click OK. The mask file can be saved for later use.

2. Pixel calibration. Now click Calibration→Pixel and use the mouse to draw a line along an axis of a known distance in the image, e.g. place a ruler in the experimental tank. Then enter the distance and unit for the line. The pixel-to-meter ratio is now calculated. Click OK when done.

3. Define the two zones. Then click Settings→Zones, and draw two zones, one for each of the two subcompartments. Any areas outside the two zones will be referred to as OFF zone. We recommend leaving a narrow space between the two user-defined zones corresponding to the short channel connecting the subcompartments. This to avoid errors or misinterpretation associated with animals taking positions in the connecting channel for prolonged periods of time. When done click OK.

4. Experiment settings. Now click Experiment and choose between a static or dynamic experiment. Static means that the water quality in the two subcompartments is kept at setpoint levels entered in the software by the user and independent of animal positions, e.g. for choice/avoidance experiments. Dynamic experiments means that water quality control in the two subcompartments will depend on the behaviour of the experimental animal, e.g. when in one (INCR) compartment the parameter setpoint (e.g. temperature) will increase, and when the animal then shuttle to the other compartment, it will decrease, e.g. behavioural thermoregulation.

For static experiments enter a setpoint and hysteresis for each zone. These can also be changed during experiments.

For dynamic experiments, the user should enter a constant difference in either oxygen, temperature, salinity or turbidity between the two compartments. The system will maintain this difference - we call it the Delta value (\pm hysteresis). Depending on the animals position, the valves/pumps will be activated/deactivated to keep a set difference (Delta) between the two zones. During times when the animal is in the OFF zone, the system will maintain the oxygen/temperature/salinity levels in the two zones recorded prior to entering the OFF zone.

5. Sensor signal calibration. Click Calibration→Oxygen/Temperature/Salinity/Turbidity to do a two-point calibration, converting analog inputs on channels IN A and IN B (or 1 and 2) into relevant units (% air sat, °C etc.). If using WTW Cond 3310 this is not necessary. Refer the OXY-REG/TMP-REG/WTW Cond 3310 user manual for further instructions on how to calibrate or service probes. Then decide if input IN A (or 1)

should be used for monitoring oxygen/temperature in the (red) INCR zone or the (blue) DECR zone. Do the same for IN B (or 2). When done click OK.

Now ShuttleSoft will show oxygen/temperature/salinity/turbidity values for the zone (or tank) in which the animal is present. During times when the animal is in OFF zone, an average between the oxygen/temperature/salinity/turbidity values in INCR and DECR zones will be calculated.

6. Data file. To start writing experimental data to a file, click Log→Start. Then choose a destination for the data file. To stop logging, click Log→Stop.

To exit ShuttleSoft, click File→Exit.

6.3 Details

6.3.1. General

INCR O2 / INCR temp. / INCR sal. / INCR turb.

This field indicates the current O₂ saturation/temperature/salinity for the INCR zone.

DECR O2 / DECR temp. / DECR sal. / DECR turb.

This field indicates the current O₂ saturation/temperature/salinity for the INCR zone.

Object zone

This field indicates whether the object is in INCR, DECR or OFF zone.

Object O2 / Object temp. / Object sal. / Object turb.

This field indicates the current O₂ saturation/temperature/salinity that the animal is exposed to.

Time INCR [s]

This field indicates how long the object has stayed the INCR zone. This value will be set to 0, when user starts logging.

Time DECR [s]

This field indicates how long the object has stayed the DECR zone. This value will be set to 0, when user starts logging.

Distance

In this field the distance moved by the object is calculated. The unit of measure can be set via the menu for pixel to meter calibration. This value will be set to 0, when user starts logging.

Velocity

In this field the velocity of the object is calculated once per second. Please note that the object has to move at least a half pixel length from frame to frame to be obtained as a movement.

Object mean O2 / temperature/ salinity / turbidity

In this field the mean value of the object O₂/Object temp./Object sal./Object turb. is calculated. This value will be set to 0, when user starts logging. During dynamic experiments this value will approach the true preference value of the animal.

FPS

This field shows the frame rate of the camera. If frame rate should be low, decrease the resolution in the camera settings menu or use a faster PC.

Threshold bars

Use the bars to set the threshold used to find the binary picture. On the left bar it is possible to set the range of the threshold values. The right bar is to move both sliders.

Example: The two sliders on the left are set to 40 and 70 and the red indication is between them. Every pixel that has a value between 40 to 70 will be coloured red and all other pixels will be coloured black. The slider on the right bar will stay on 55. Now the user moves the slider to 110. The red indication on the left bar will now be between 95 and 125.

Show Mask

Use this button to toggle between unmodified video images and masked images.

Show Binary

Use this button to toggle between unmodified video images and thresholded images.

Show Trace

Use this button to enable/disable a trailing trace from being shown behind the moving animal and set the duration of the trailing trace in seconds.

RE1

This diode indicator gives the relay status for relay 1. On relay 1 the oxygen valve/heating pump for the INCR zone must be connected.

RE2

This diode indicator gives the relay status for relay 2. On relay 2 the nitrogen valve/cooling pump for the INCR zone must be connected.

RE3

This diode indicator gives the relay status for relay 3. On relay 3 the oxygen valve/heating pump for the DECR zone must be connected.

RE4

This diode indicator gives the relay status for relay 4. On relay 4 the oxygen valve/cooling pump for the DECR zone must be connected.

Log

This diode will blink while logging. When moving the mouse over the diode, the actual saving path will be shown.

Image

Here the video images from the camera is shown. When maximizing ShuttleSoft on your PC monitor, the image will scale accordingly. Move your cursor over the image and zoom/unzoom by using the scroll button on your mouse.

Parameter / Velocity / Distance graph

On these graphs the values vs. Time are shown, e.g. reading from the inputs IN A (or 1) and IN B (or 2). The y-scale can be changed by double clicking on the scale and entering a new number. Right clicking will open a menu, where x-scale can be changed etc.

6.3.2. File Menu

Exit

On exit the software will close the camera input and save all settings and then close ShuttleSoft.

6.3.3. Settings Menu

Mask

Opens a dialog box, where users may create a mask to avoid analysis outside areas of interest. Use either one of the upper buttons to draw a closed figure in the image. Then decide if you want to include or exclude the enclosed area by pressing either one of the two upper buttons in the lower group of buttons. Below there is a button to undo the last step, and one to clear the entire mask and start over. Also it is possible to invert the drawn mask. Created masks can be saved or loaded as bitmap files for later use.

When maximizing the dialog box, the image will scale. When moving the mouse over the camera, it is possible to zoom/unzoom the image via the scroll button on the mouse.

Zones

Opens a dialog box where users may define the INCR and the DECR zone. Start by drawing a closed figure. Then decide if the closed figure should be used as INCR or DECRS zone by clicking either on the I-button or the D-button. Then draw a next closed figure and choose this as the missing zone. Drawn zones can be saved or loaded as bitmap files for later use.

When maximizing the dialog box, the image will scale. When moving the mouse over the camera, it is possible to zoom/unzoom the image via the scroll button on the mouse.

Experiment

Opens a dialog box where user may choose between a dynamic or static regulation of the water quality. If choosing Static, ShuttleSoft will now regulate for each of the two zones around the setpoints and hysteresis, e.g. 20°C and 0,2°C for the INCR zone. ShuttleSoft will start cooling when temperature goes above 20,2°C and will stop cooling as soon as temperature reaches 20°C. When temperature goes under 19,8°C ShuttleSoft will start heating.

If choosing Dynamic, the animals position will determine the regulation.

Example: Oxygen saturation is 80% in INCR zone, and 70% in DECR zone. Delta is set to 15. Now if the animal enters the DECR zone, ShuttleSoft will start decreasing the oxygen value in this zone. When the oxygen saturation drops below 65%, and Delta thus exceeds a value of 15% air sat., ShuttleSoft will also start decreasing oxygen saturation in the INCR zone to maintain a constant difference of 15% air sat. Once the Delta value is <15% air sat. the bubbling of nitrogen gas in the INCR zone will stop again.

Use a hysteresis value greater than 0 to avoid digital relays going on and off constantly on the sharp edge of the Delta value, since this might cause a malfunctioning of the solenoid valve or pump. The hysteresis value will also determine upper and lower limits maintained by the system while the animal is in OFF zone.

Example: Oxygen saturation is 80% in INCR zone, and 70% in DECR zone. Hysteresis is set to 1%. The animal enters OFF zone between the two tanks and stays there for a while. Due to equilibration with the atmosphere, oxygen values will rise in both tanks. Once the oxygen saturation in DECR zone reaches 71%, ShuttleSoft will activate a relay to open the valve blowing nitrogen into the buffer tank connected to this tank until oxygen saturation is back to 70%.

It is also possible to enter a maximum and minimum value for the parameters. If the INCR value is greater than the maximum value ShuttleSoft will not increase the INCR value by triggering RE 1 relay. The same goes for the DECR value, minimum value and RE 4.

It is also possible to calculate the core temperature when temperature is chosen as parameter. For the calculation of the body temperature Newton's law of cooling is used.

$$T_b = T_a + (T_i - T_a) \cdot e^{-kt}, \text{ where}$$

T_b is body temperature

T_a is ambient temperature

T_i is initial temperature

t is time (min)

k is the rate of change of core temperature (min^{-1})

k is dependent of fish size and species, Stevens and Sutterlin (1976)

It is also possible to enable and enter a system maximum rate. If enabled ShuttleSoft will calculate the rate of the system by which the INCR and DECR zones increase/decrease and regulate if the rate exceeds the entered max rate.

Camera

Opens a dialog box where users may set the video settings and resolution of the camera. Please note, that a change in the resolution requires a restart of ShuttleSoft.

Filter

Opens a dialog box where user may set the filter options.

6.3.4. Calibration Menu

Calibration

Opens a dialog box where users may convert image pixels into mm, cm or metres. Change the length and/or position of the green line to match any known distance in the image, e.g. a ruler. The length of the green line will show. Then choose the desired unit of measure and enter the known distance. A pixel ratio will now be calculated and used for all calculations.

When maximizing the dialog box, the image will scale. When moving the cursor over the image, it is possible to zoom/unzoom the image via the scroll button on the mouse.

Oxygen

Opens a dialog box where users may calibrate/convert the input signal from the DAQ instrument to %air sat./°C. The calibration is a 2-point calibration. Place the tip of the probe connected as input IN A in a known solution and wait for it to stabilize. Press Lock LO and write the %air sat./temperature value in the LO calibration field. Now place the tip of the oxygen probe in a second known solution and wait for it to stabilize. Press Lock HI and write the %air sat./°C value in the HI field. Use a >>20% difference between the two calibration solutions to maximize the accuracy of oxygen/temperature measurements. Finally, choose if the input should be used as input for INCR or DECR zone. Do the same for input IN B.

6.3.5. Log Menu

Start logging data

Opens a note field, where users may write notes for the experiment. Then a file prompt opens and user must choose a destination for the data file. When pressing OK, data logging starts.

Stop logging data

Stops logging data to the data file and closes it.

6.3.6. Help Menu

About

This menu will open a dialog box, showing the version number of the ShuttleSoft software and contact information for Loligo Systems.

7. TroubleShooting

7.1 DAQ connection failure

Screen 23

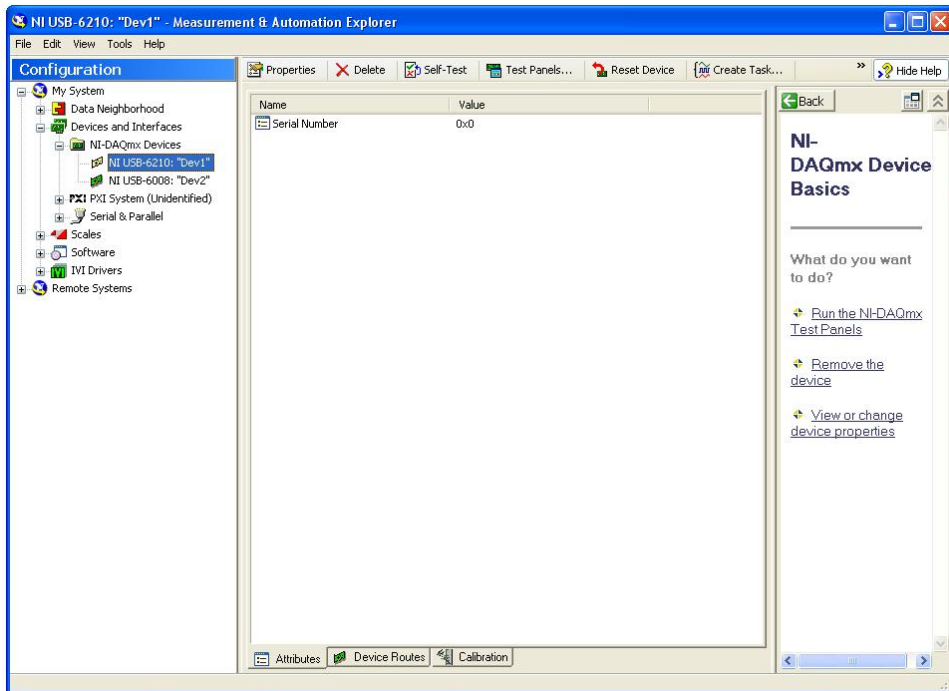


The error shown on Screen 23 occurs, when the NI-USB 6008/6009 DAQ card has no properly connection to the PC. This error can occur in 2 ways.

Name is not "dev1"

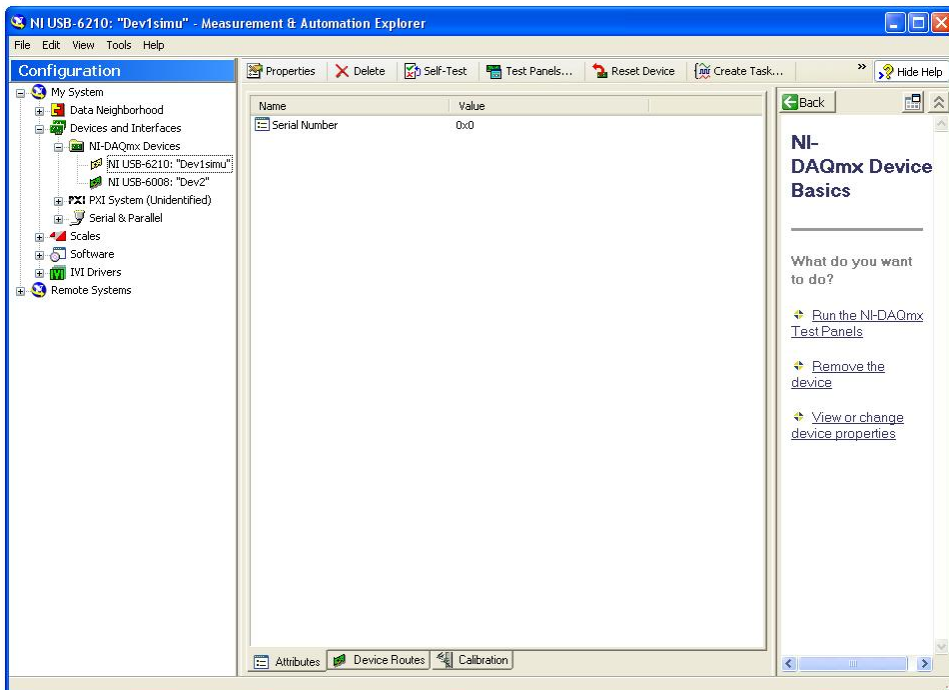
To change the device name, open the NI program called Measurement & Automation (look for desktop icon). The following example on Screen 24 shows a simulated device named as "dev1". The NI-USB 6008 DAQ card is registered as "dev2"

Screen 24



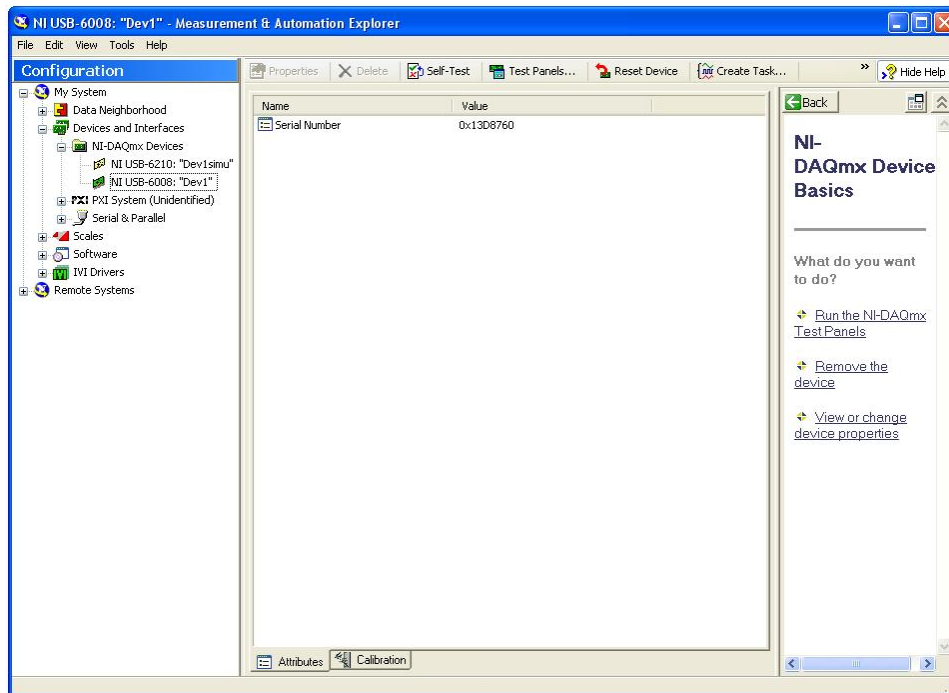
Right click with mouse on the "dev1", and choose rename, or press F2. Change the name to something different than "dev1". In this example the name is changed to "dev1simu", see Screen 25.

Screen 25



Now change the device name of the NI USB-6008 DAQ card to "dev1". The DAQ-S instrument should now work properly with ShuttleSoft.

Screen 26



Another USB device was improperly removed

If an USB device, like a USB memory stick, is not properly removed, while ShuttleSoft is running, there can be a connection problem with the DAQ-S instrument. To solve this problem, close ShuttleSoft. Then disconnect the USB cable between the PC and the DAQ-S instrument. Wait 30 seconds. Then connect the cable and wait. When the green diode on the front side of the DAQ-S instrument is flashing, the connection is re-established. ShuttleSoft can now be opened again.

7.2 Relays unresponsive

Make sure the DAQ-S instrument is connected with a power cable, and the Power button is ON.

7.3 uEye camera connection failure

Make sure that no other program is using the uEYE camera while using it in ShuttleSoft. Only one software program at the time can acquire data from the camera.

7.4 uEye camera settings

To change camera settings on the uEYE camera, open uEye DEMO and set the settings. Then click File→Save parameters→to file.

Save the file and name it uEYE_Loligo.ini. Browse to the folder where ShuttleSoft is installed. Backup the old file uEYE_Loligo.ini by renaming it to e.g. uEYE_Loligo_backup.ini. Now copy the uEYE_Loligo.ini file to the folder and start ShuttleSoft. The settings are now loaded.