

Scientific Instrumentation Techniques using Open-Source Hardware Platforms like Arduino and Raspberry-Pi: A Review

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Abstract: *The field of scientific instrumentation is constantly evolving due to technological advancements, leading to the development of more sophisticated instruments capable of achieving highly accurate measurements. However, despite these advancements, there are situations where researchers require simple specific intelligent setups that may not be easily accessible by the existing high end instruments due to cost constraints or limited project budgets. In such cases, open-source hardware platforms like Arduino and Raspberry Pi present an attractive solution. These compact and versatile boards offer the capability to perform accurate measurements and carry out tasks that would otherwise require expensive specialized instruments. The open-source nature of Arduino and Raspberry Pi fosters collaboration and innovation within the scientific community. Researchers can tailor and customize the hardware and software to suit their specific experimental needs, enabling the development of low-cost yet effective scientific instruments. This review article aims to explore the potential applications of Arduino and Raspberry Pi in scientific instrumentation. It will discuss various ways in which these open-source platforms can be utilized to address research challenges, and it will showcase prominent works that have leveraged Arduino and Raspberry Pi to achieve significant scientific advancements. By presenting practical examples and use cases, this review seeks to inspire researchers to harness the capabilities of open-source hardware platforms to enhance scientific experimentation, especially in projects with limited financial resources. Ultimately, embracing these versatile boards can foster a more inclusive and accessible approach to scientific research, benefiting the scientific community as a whole*

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