## Long Term Axial Strain Monitoring

### High Pressure Natural Gas Pipeline

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## Where do we monitor pipelines

- Landslide areas
- Black coal undermined areas (settlement)

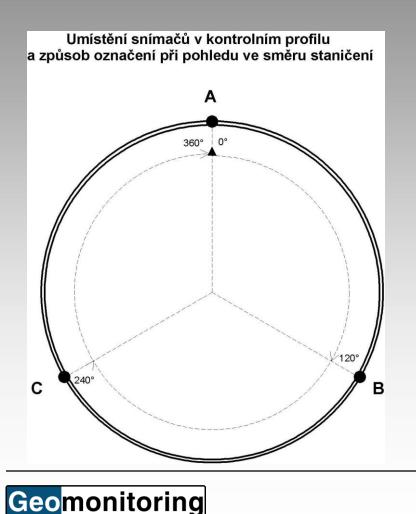


## How do we measure axial strain

- 3 spot weldable strain gages in a profile
- Manual measurement with readout box
- Automatic measurement with datalogger
- Pipeline diameters are from 200 to 500mm

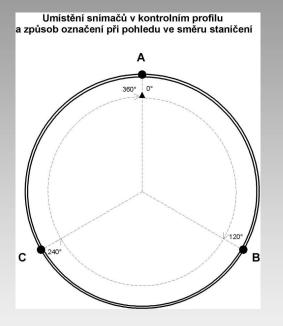


## **Position of the sensors**



- 3 strain gages in each profile every 120°
- distribution of the strain around circle profile forms a sine curve
- calculation of maximum, minimum and their position on the circle

## Sine curve theory



- $y_1 = a * sin(x_1 + b) + c$
- $y_2 = a*sin(x_2 + b) + c$
- $y_3 = a*sin(x_3 + b) + c$
- where
- y<sub>1</sub>, y<sub>2</sub>, y<sub>3</sub>...reading at A,B,C [MPa]
- x<sub>1</sub>, x<sub>2</sub>, x<sub>3</sub> ... A,B,C position [rad]
- a ... multiply constant pipeline bending
- b ... deflection of bending plane
- c ... average strain without bending

## Manual readings

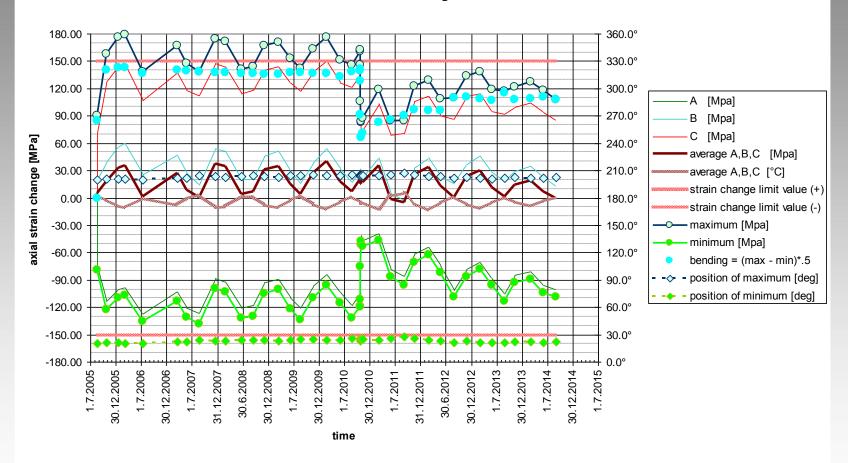


- We started in 1995
- Mostly undermined areas
- Till now:
  - 173 profiles
  - 519 strain gages
- They are measured 4 times a year (only the newest once a month)

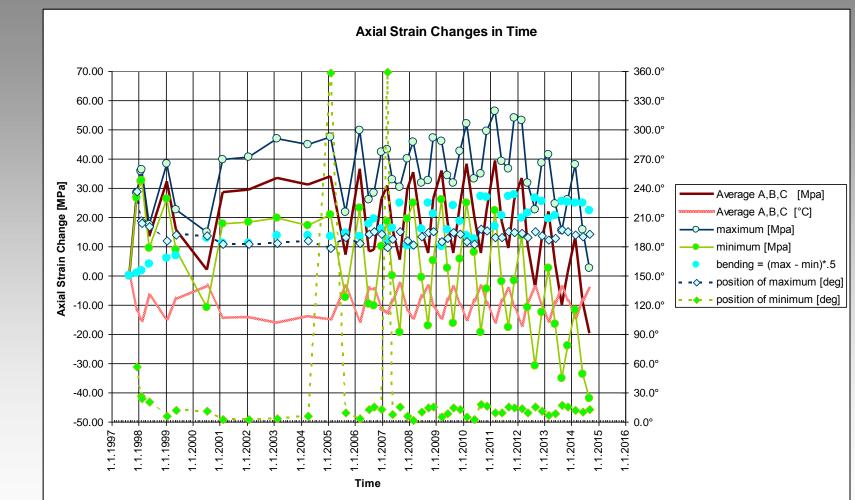


## Manual readings graph

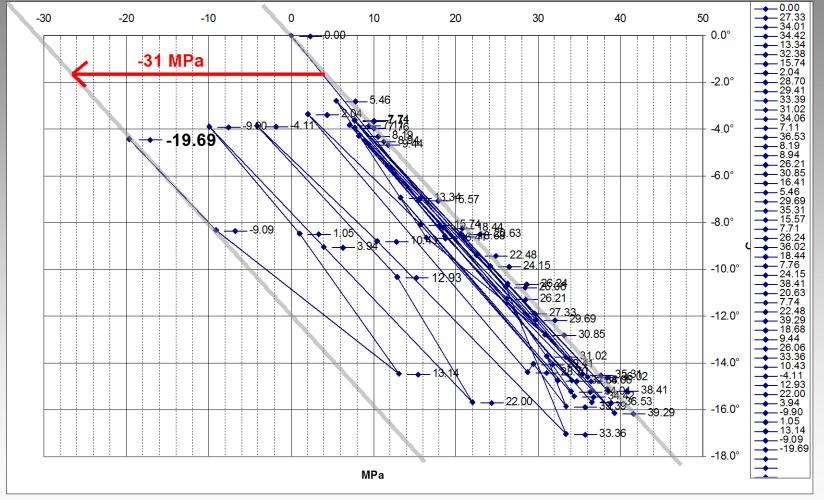
#### **Axial Strain Changes in Time**



## Manual readings graph



# Relation between strain and temperature



## **Automatic readings**







## **Pipeline construction**







## Automatic readings history

- Started in year 2000 (249 strain gages, 11 CR10X, 22 MUXs, Siemens M20 modules)
- 2008: New profiles (111 strain gages, 4 CR800, 9 MUXs, Siemens TC35i modules)
- 2012: Dialed GSM connection changed to IP GPRS and Internet connection
- 2013: AVW1 changed to AVW200
- 2013: Server rental (cloud) with Windows
  2008 Server, LoggerNet Admin and VDV

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### **Geomonitoring**

Web access to Logged Data / Internetovy pristup k Vasim datum

Welcome to our Information Service / Vitejte v informacni sluzbe

#### User Name / Uzivatelske jmeno

Password / Heslo

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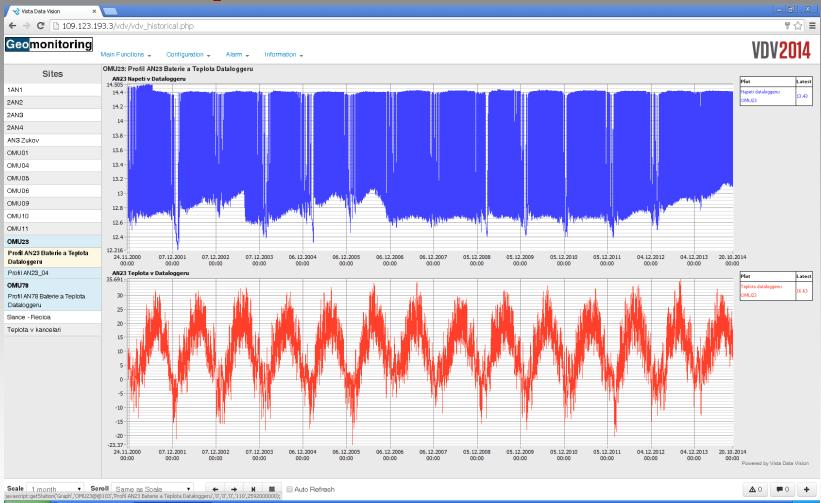
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## VDV - Data visualization and their control

- Feeding databases with historical data
- Data update
- Battery supply
- Read data evaluation
  - rate of change
  - percentage of given limits
  - setting alarms (e-mails, SMS)
  - documentation data storage in the server

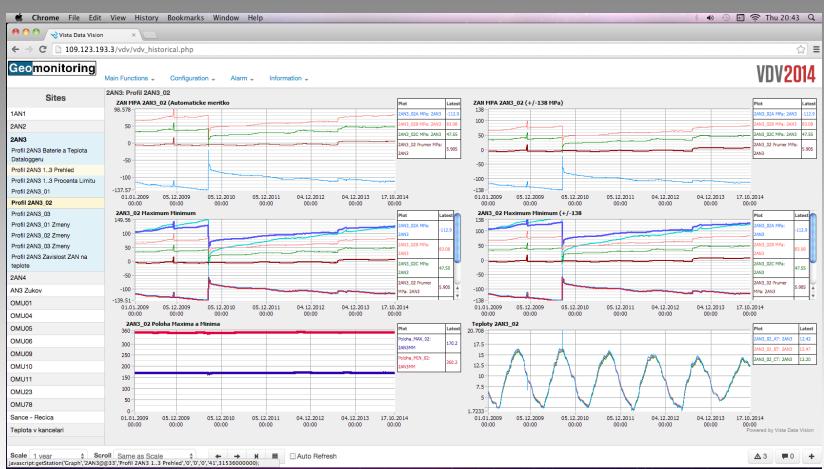
# Battery supply and datalogger temperature since 2000



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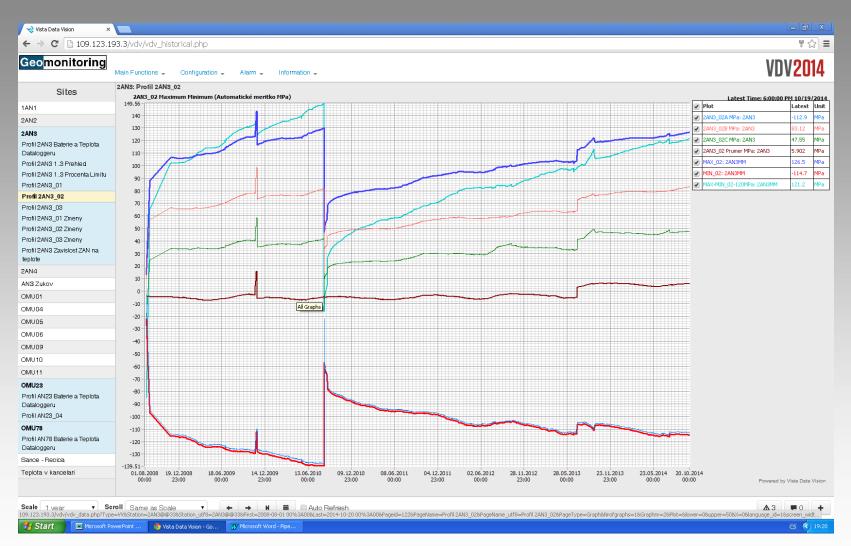
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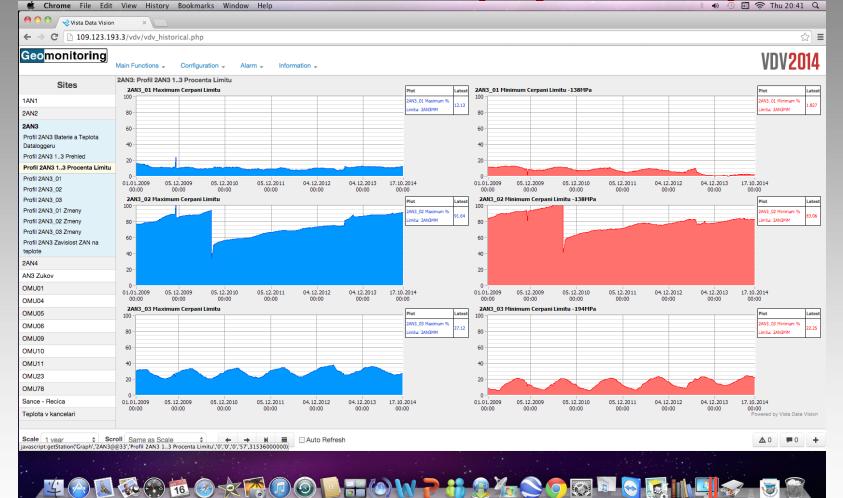
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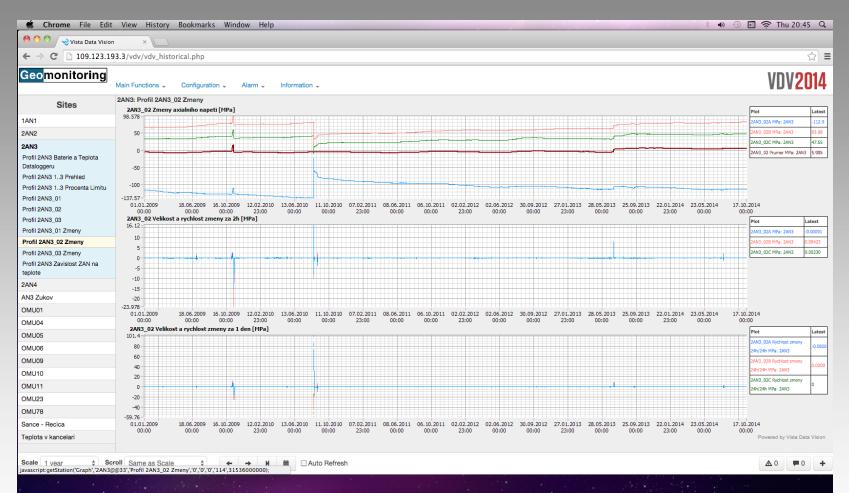
## **Maximum and minimums**



# Percentage of maximum and minimum (3 profiles)



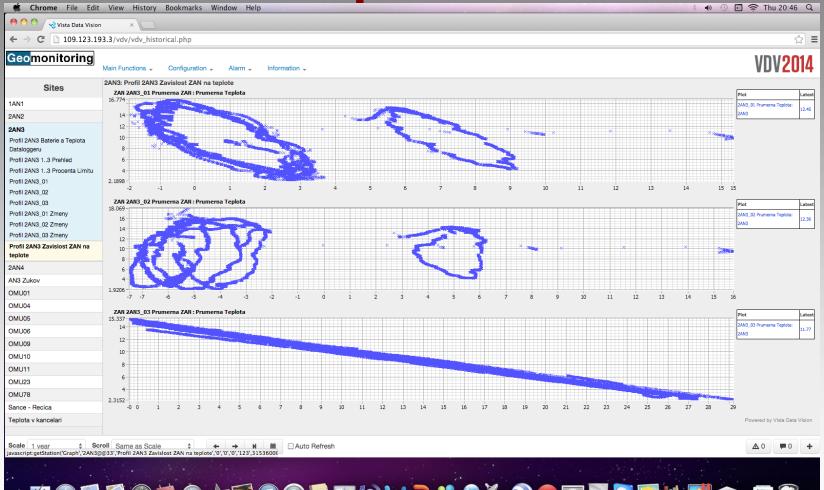
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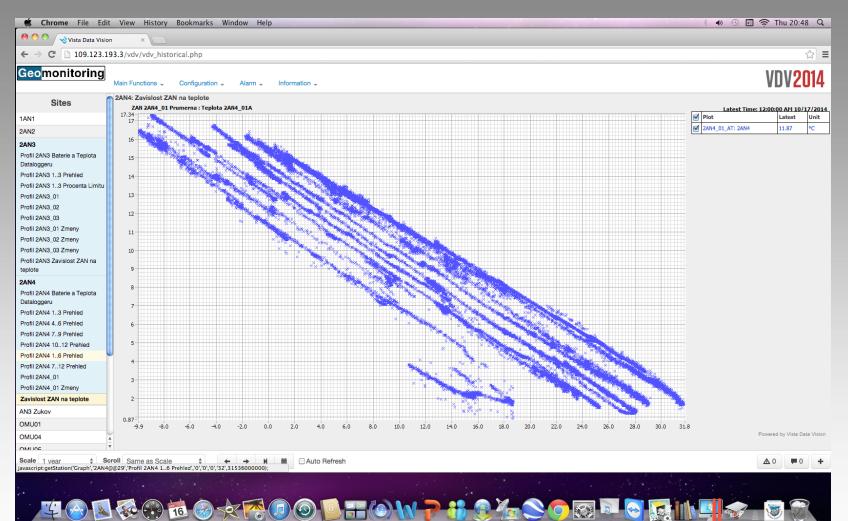
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# Relation between strain and temperature



## A profile going to tension



## Reading improvement after AVW200 installation (RoC)







