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BLISS PROJECT OVERVIEW



Outline

- **Bliss package content**
- **Bliss installation**
- **Bliss core and frameworks**
- **Bliss scanning engine**

BLISS PACKAGE: EASY TO INSTALL

- Open repository on gitlab: <https://gitlab.esrf.fr/bliss/bliss>
- A pure Python package
- Install with a single command line

```
(base) pguillou@linguillou:~$ cd local/bliss.git/
(base) pguillou@linguillou:~/local/bliss.git$ make
#####
MAKEFILE TO CREATE AND CONFIGURE CONDA ENVIRONMENTS FOR YOU.

IMPORTANT: All commands are LAZY, no package is updated unless it is strictly
required. It is up to you to update a particular package, or to start a fresh
environment to get most recent version of everything.

COMMANDS:
make bl_env [NAME=<name>] [PYTHON_VERSION=<version>]
(typical ESRF beamline installation)
- Creates a conda environment for BLISS with the name you provide (default: bliss_env).
- Bliss and blissdata are installed from sources (pip -e).
make dev_env [NAME=<name>] [LIMA_NAME=<name>] [LIMA2_NAME=<name>] [MOSCA_NAME=<name>] [PYTHON_VERSION=<version>]
(use this command to set up an ideal environment to develop with BLISS)
- Creates a conda environment for BLISS with the name you provide (default: bliss_env).
- Bliss and blissdata are installed from sources (pip -e)
  with dev and test tools like black and pytest.
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: lima_env)
- Lima simulator plugins are installed from source (pip -e).
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: lima2_env)
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: mosca_env)
make demo_env [NAME=<name>] [LIMA_NAME=<name>] [LIMA2_NAME=<name>] [MOSCA_NAME=<name>] [PYTHON_VERSION=<version>]
(use this command to set up an ideal environment to demonstration of BLISS)
- Creates a conda environment for BLISS with the name you provide (default: bliss_env).
- Bliss, blissdata and blissdemo are installed from sources (pip -e).
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: lima_env)
- Lima simulator plugins are installed from source (pip -e).
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: lima2_env)
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: mosca_env)
make demo_with_oda_env [NAME=<name>] [LIMA_NAME=<name>] [LIMA2_NAME=<name>] [MOSCA_NAME=<name>] [ODA_NAME=<name>] [PYTHON_VERSION=<version>]
(use this command to set up an ideal environment to demonstration of BLISS)
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- Bliss, blissdata and blissdemo are installed from sources (pip -e).
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: lima_env)
- Lima simulator plugins are installed from source (pip -e).
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: lima2_env)
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: mosca_env)
- Creates a conda environment with the name you provide (default: oda_env).
- Blissdemo is installed from source (pip -e) with worker dependencies.
#####
(base) pguillou@linguillou:~/local/bliss.git$
```

A complete and modular package, providing tools for:

- **Configuration files** management
- **Hardware control** and **data acquisition**
- **Data storage in RAM**
- **Data archiving** (writing files)
- **Live data access**
- **Live data visualization**
- **Interactive terminal**
- **Web** terminal and UI

Beacon Server

Serves bliss objects
configuration files

Bliss Core

Device control and
frameworks

Scanning engine

Data publication to REDIS

BlissData

Common API to access data from

- REDIS
- HDF files
- Other locations via plugins

BlissWriter

Data archiving from REDIS
to HDF5 (Nexus)

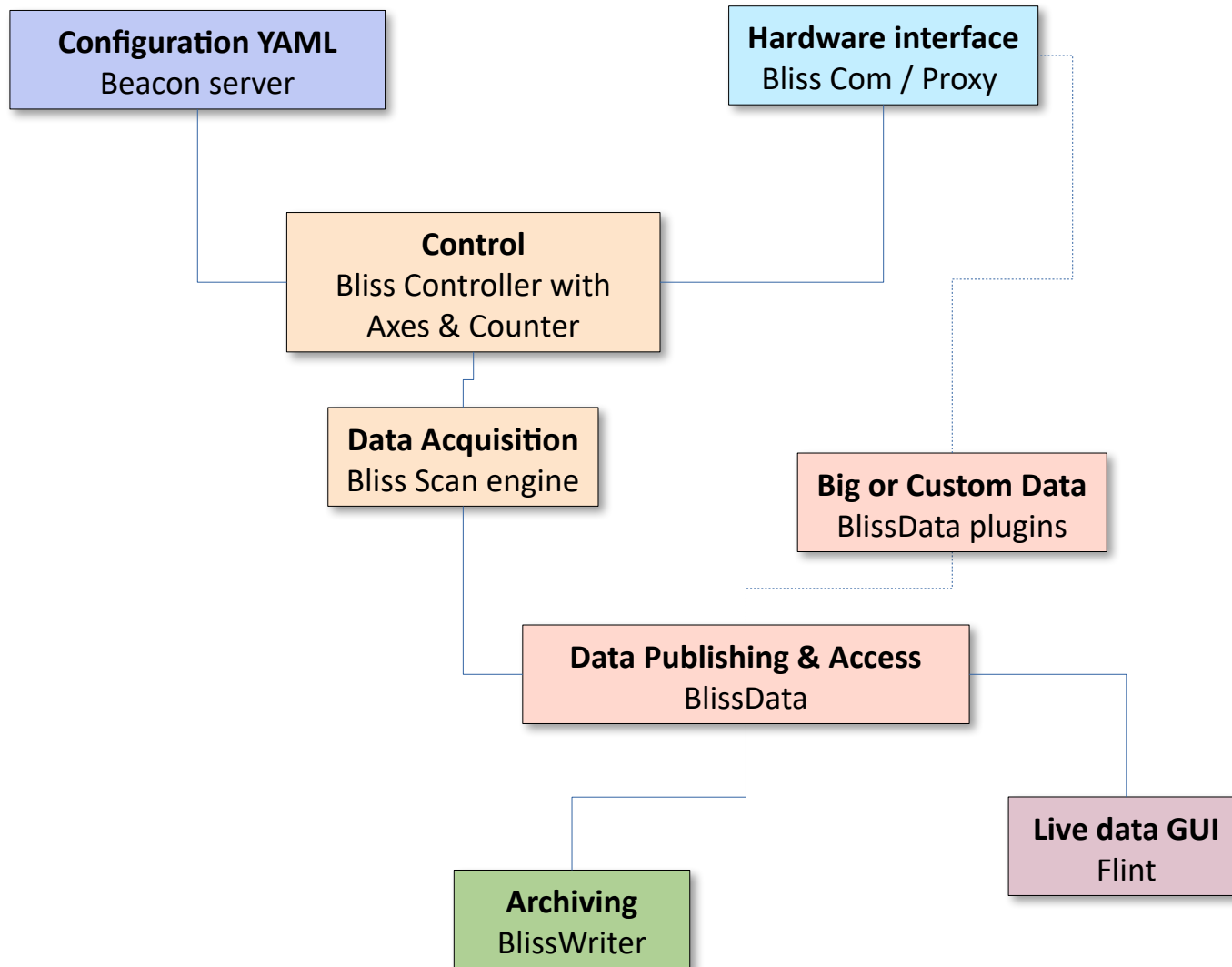
FLINT

GUI for live data
visualization

BlissTerm

Bliss as a server
Terminal as a web application
Simple web UIs

BLISS A MODULAR PACKAGE



BEACON SERVER: BLISS OBJECTS CONFIGURATION FILES

A unique data base holding all **BLISS** objects configuration files (YAML)

Directly **edit YAML** files or use the **web interface** to declare devices and user sessions

```
1 name: lakeshore331
2 class: LakeShore331
3 module: temperature.lakeshore.lakeshore331
4 timeout: 3
5 serial:
6   url: /dev/ttyRP13
7   baudrate: 9600 # max (other possible values: 300, 1200)
8   eol: "\r\n"
9
10 inputs:
11 - name: ls331_inA
12   channel: A
13   # possible units: Kelvin, Celsius, Sensor_unit
14   unit: Kelvin
15 - name: ls331_inA_c # input temperature in Celsius
16   channel: A
17   unit: Celsius
18 - name: ls331_inA_su # in sensor units (Ohm or Volt)
19   channel: A
20   unit: Sensor_unit
21
22 - name: ls331_inB
23   channel: B
24   # possible units: Kelvin, Celsius, Sensor_unit
25   unit: Kelvin
26 - name: ls331_inB_c # input temperature in Celsius
27   channel: B
28   unit: Celsius
29 - name: ls331_inB_su # in sensor units (Ohm or Volt)
30   channel: B
31   unit: Sensor_unit
32
33 outputs:
```

BLISS CORE: VARIOUS PLUG AND PLAY CONTROLLERS

Many **hardware** controllers already **implemented** and **ready to use**

- **Motors:** Aerotech, Newport, PI, Zaber, Elmo, Galil, flex, micos, ...
- **Pressure, Temperature, Power supply:** Eurotherm, Lakeshore, Oxford, Linkam, ...
- **1D Multi-channels:** FalconX, Mercury, OceanOptics, Hamamatsu, ...
- **2D Lima detectors:** Eiger, Andor, Prosilica, Basler, Pilatus, Maxipix, ...

Simply declare the object in a YML configuration file and it will be ready to use in your Bliss session

```
- class: icepap
  plugin: emotion
  host: iceid163
  axes:
    - name: mot3
      address: 28
      steps_per_unit: 6555.5555
      velocity: 2
      acceleration: 4
      user_tag:
        - dial.anticlockwise
- name: ximea
  plugin: bliss
  class: Lima
  tango_url: id16ni/limaccd/ximea
  saving:
    file_format: HDF5
  disable_bpm: true
  prepare_timeout: 60
  tango_timeout: 60
  disable_bpm: True
```

```
PERC [4]: mot3
Out [4]: AXIS mot3

  position  dial    offset  sign  steps_per_unit  tolerance
  46.7200   -46.7200  0.0000  -1    100.00          0.0001

CURRENT VALUE | CONFIG VALUE
-----|-----
limits [low ; high] | [ inf ; -inf]
velocity          | 1.0
velocity limits [low ; high] | [ inf ; inf]
acceleration      | 1.0
acctime           | 1.0
backlash          | 0.0000

STATE(s): READY

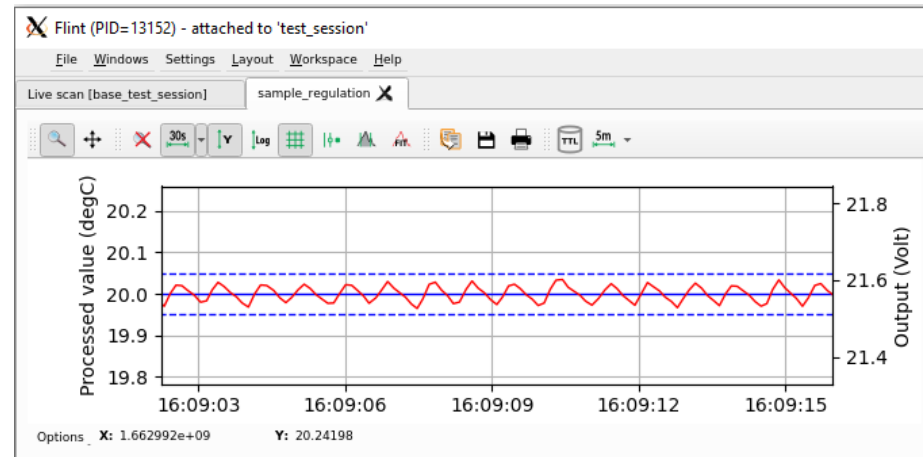
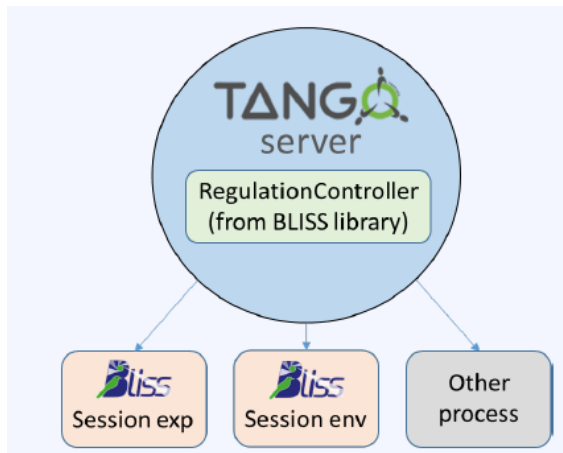
ICEPAP AXIS:
  address: 3
  axis status: POWER: ON  CLOOP: OFF  WARNING: SSI error  ALARM: NO
  IcepapEncoders(ENCIN='0', ABSENC='16744082', INPOS='305533071', MOTOR='-4672', AXIS='-4672', SYNC='-3262')
```

Similar devices regrouped into **frameworks** with a **common API**

Hides each controller **specific interface** and provides **dedicated features**.

- **Axis:** real axes, calculated axes, soft-axes
- **MCA / MOSCA:** Multi-channels 1D detectors
- **LIMA / LIMA2:** 2D detectors
- **Regulation:** PID-Loops / Inputs / Outputs

- ✓ **Special Feature examples**
- ✓ Generic Tango server for multi-client access
- ✓ Monitoring plots
- ✓ Axis-like set-point for scanning



Complex Beamline control setup that can be generalized are **integrated into Bliss core** for the benefit of all the community and for a better software maintenance.

Software
Regulation

Build your own regulation system with
any Bliss objects

Diffractometers

Navigate through the **HKL reciprocal space** with real motors

Monochromators

Control the energy on your beamline
Perform continuous energy scans

Spectrometers

Compute Bragg solutions
Move motors on the **Rowland circle**
Manage focusing on 2D detector

BLISS provides a **lot of objects designed for Beamline** purposes.

Users can **add** to their **sessions** and customize **via** the **configuration** files or at runtime:

- **Slits** / Shutters / Interlocks / FilterWheel / Switches ...
- **MotionHooks** / ScanPreset
- Encoders / **VirtualAxis** / SoftAxis / MultiPositions
- **Logging** tools / **Debugging** tools / Prdef / Pprint
- Smart **refreshed prints** (context manager) / Formatted prints / Colors
- **Interaction with** plotted **curves** via Flint (goto-peak, ROIs creation, ...)
- Connection to **Tango** servers (**DeviceProxy**)
- Loading and playing **users macros** (globals protected, user env_dict)

Bliss already implements **various communication protocols**:

- Serial line
- Ser2net
- TCP socket
- UDP socket
- GPIB
- Modbus
- VXI11
- SCPI

YAML example

```
class: FooController
name: foo
serial:
  url: /dev/ttyS0
```

```
from bliss.comm.util import get_comm, SERIAL

class FooController:
    def __init__(self, config):
        self.config = config
        self._comm = None

    def _init_com(self):
        default_options = {'baudrate': 19200}
        self._comm = get_comm(self.config, ctype=SERIAL, **default_options)
```

BLISS CORE: ONE CMD TO INSTANTIATE THEM ALL

Instantiate all **communication** object from **YML configuration** easily with a unique helper command

- Usual default parameters provided
- Overwrite defaults via the configuration
- Check/validate com type and options passed via the configuration

```
gplib:  
  url: tango_gpib_device_server://id42/gpib_lid421/0  
  pad: 13  
  timeout: 10.
```

```
class: FooController  
name: foo  
serial:  
  url: /dev/ttyS0
```

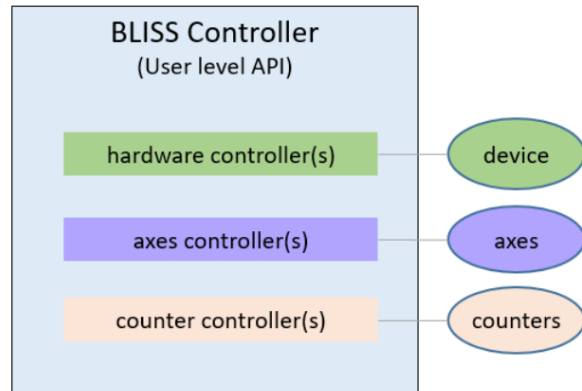
“com = get_comm(config)”

```
tcp:  
  url: 160.103.99.42  
  eol: "\r\n"
```

```
plugin: keithley  
keithleys:  
  - name: k_pico1  
    model: 6485  
    tcp-proxy:  
      external: False  
    tcp:  
      url: id14serial1.esrf.fr:9001  
      timeout: 3
```

Instantiate easily with **‘get_comm()’ helper**

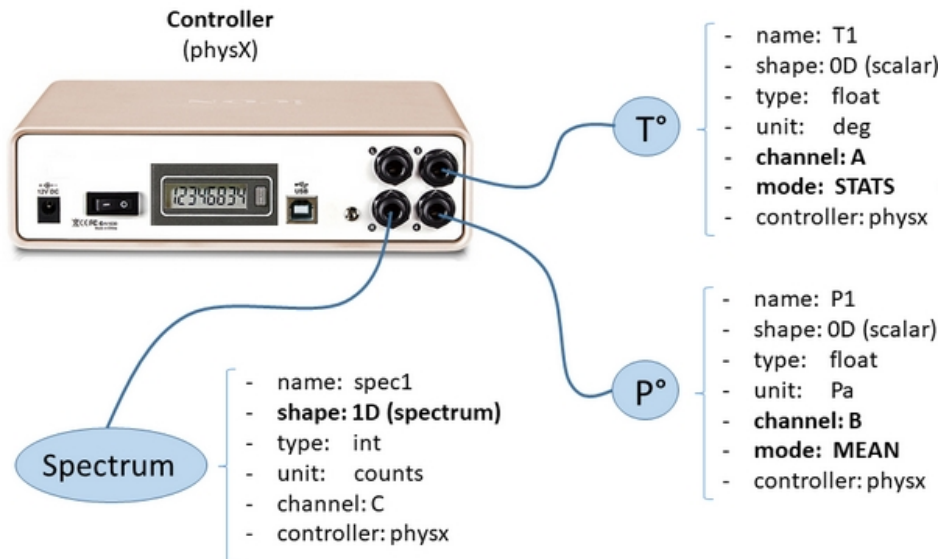
To be used in a *Scan*, the controller of a device must expose *Axes* or *Counters*



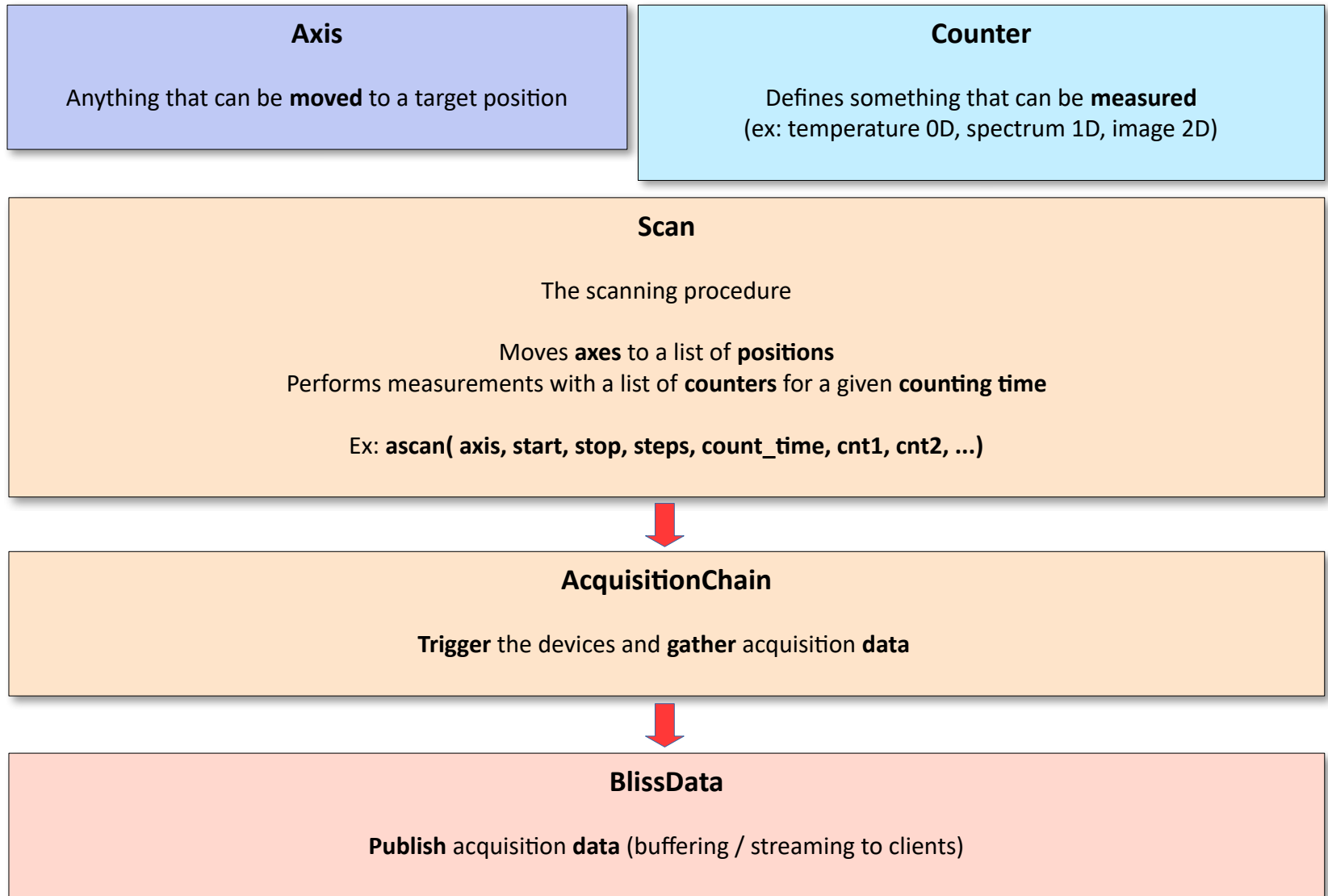
Users can declare and customize counter names from controller configuration

```

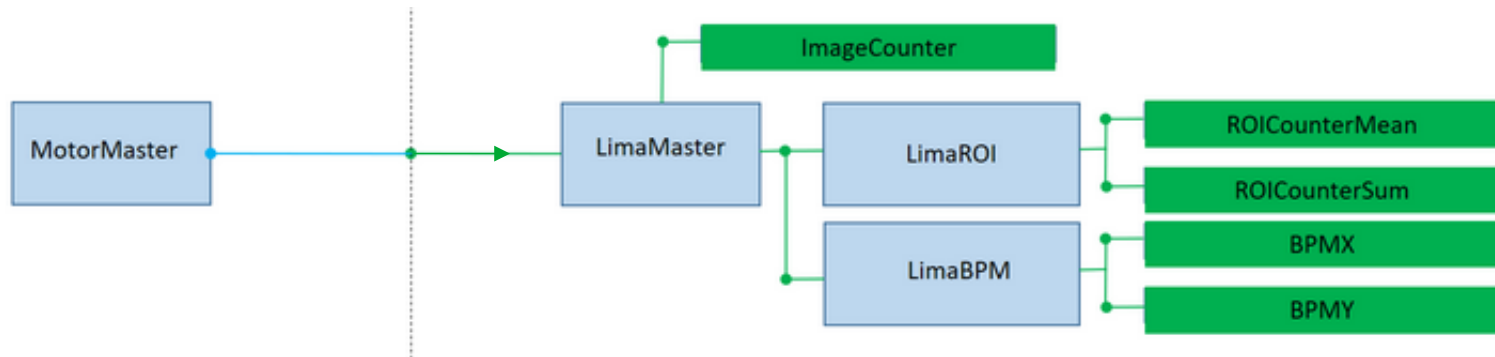
plugin: ct2
class: CT2
name: p201
address: tcp://lid00c:8909
clock: CLK_100_MHz
type: P201
external sync: {}
timer:
  counter name: sec
counters:
- address: 3
  clock source: CLK_10_KHz
channels:
- address: 1
  level: NIM
- counter name: freq_gen
  address: 2
- counter name: clk
  address: 3
    
```



BLISS CORE: BASE OBJECTS FOR SCANNING



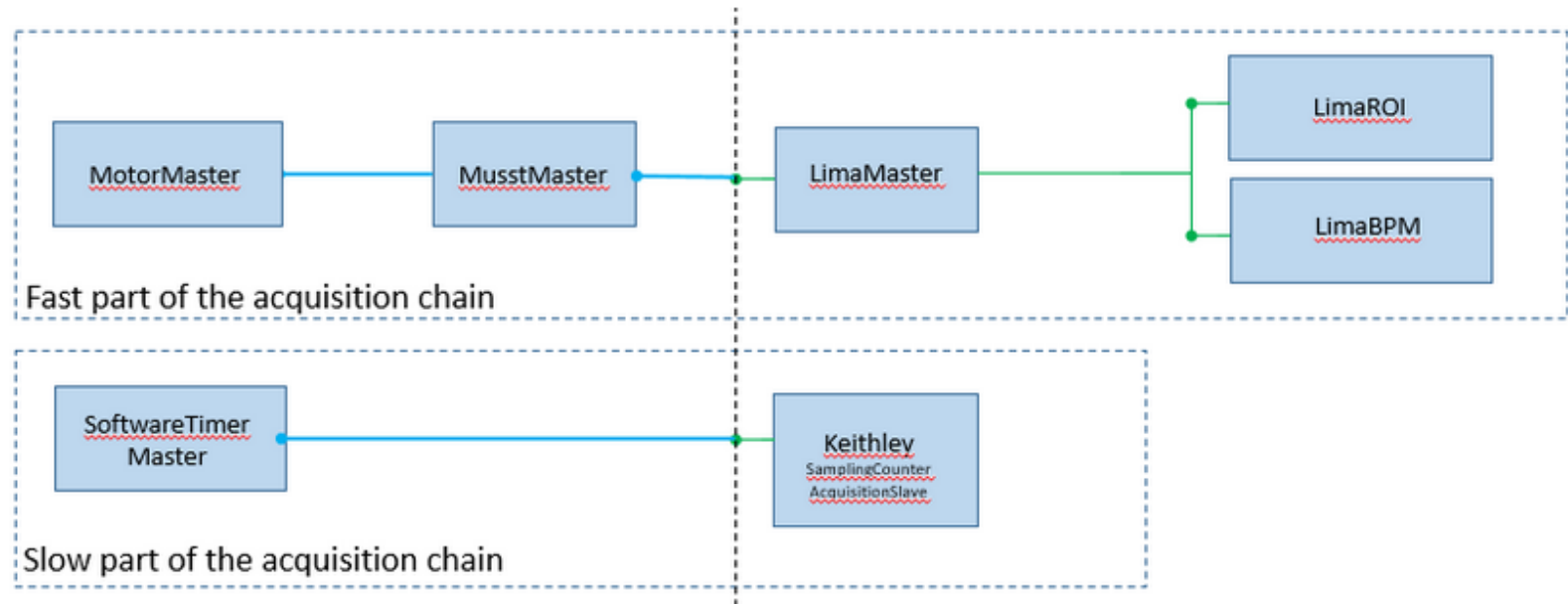
- A wide range of default step by step scans (Count, Loop, Mesh, LookUp, ...)
- Auto-resolution of the acquisition parameters of involved devices
- Customize default acquisition parameters of each device
- Synchronization devices can be automatically introduced on top of any device
- Scan presets can be easily added to perform actions BEFORE and AFTER



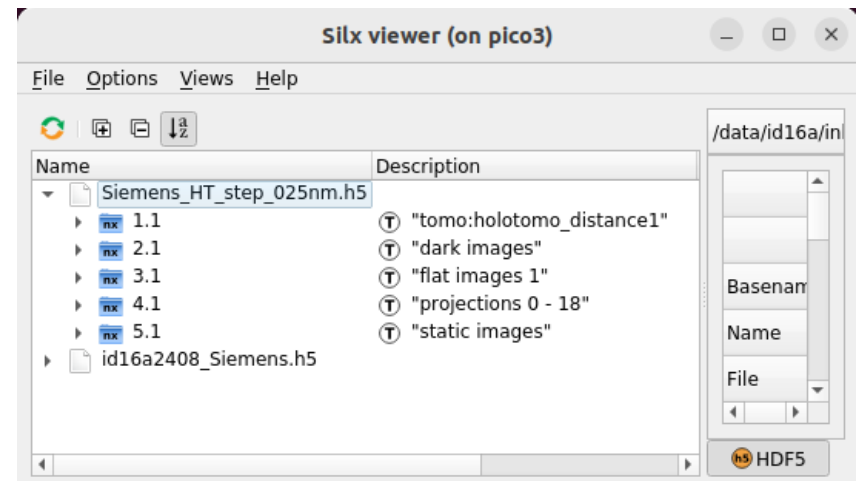
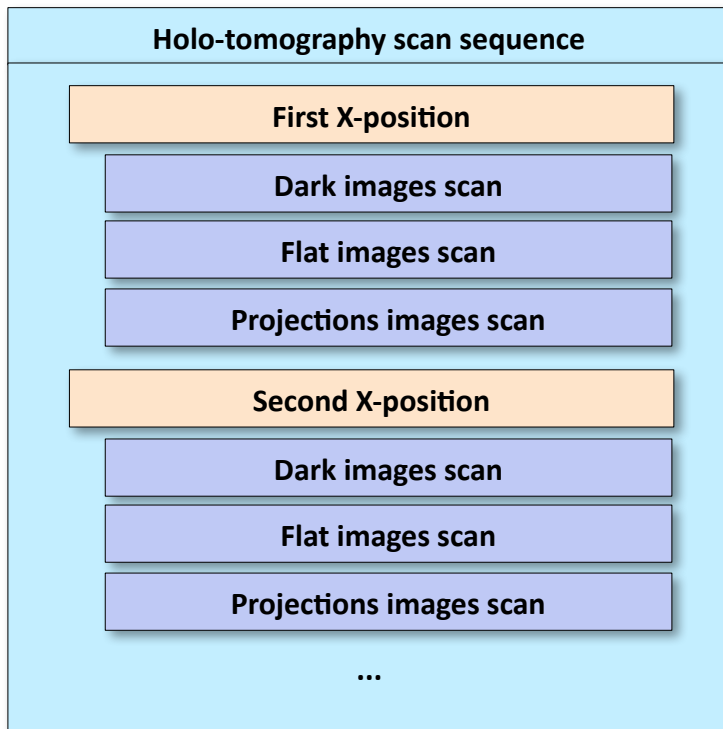
AcquisitionChain reflects the devices **triggering hierarchy**

Bliss standard scans automatically build the chain in the step by step context

- During a **continuous scan**, data is acquired **while** axes are **moving**
- All the device **triggering** is **done via hardware signals**
- **Data** are **gathered** and published **asynchronously** by BLISS
- **Continuous** scans **use same objects** as any scan and are fully customizable
- Acquisition chain can mix **Fast and Slow chain**



- A scan sequence is a scan performing sub-scans
- Scans sequences can be **nested**
- Saved **data** automatically **reflects sequence structure**
- Allow **complex nested scanning procedures**



CONCLUSION

- BLISS is a complete python package for control, acquisition and storage
- BLISS provides many plug and play hardware controllers
- BLISS provides many tools for experimental science
- BLISS decouples data acquisition from data access
- BlissData open the door to the community

