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Beamline Experiment Control (BEC) Update

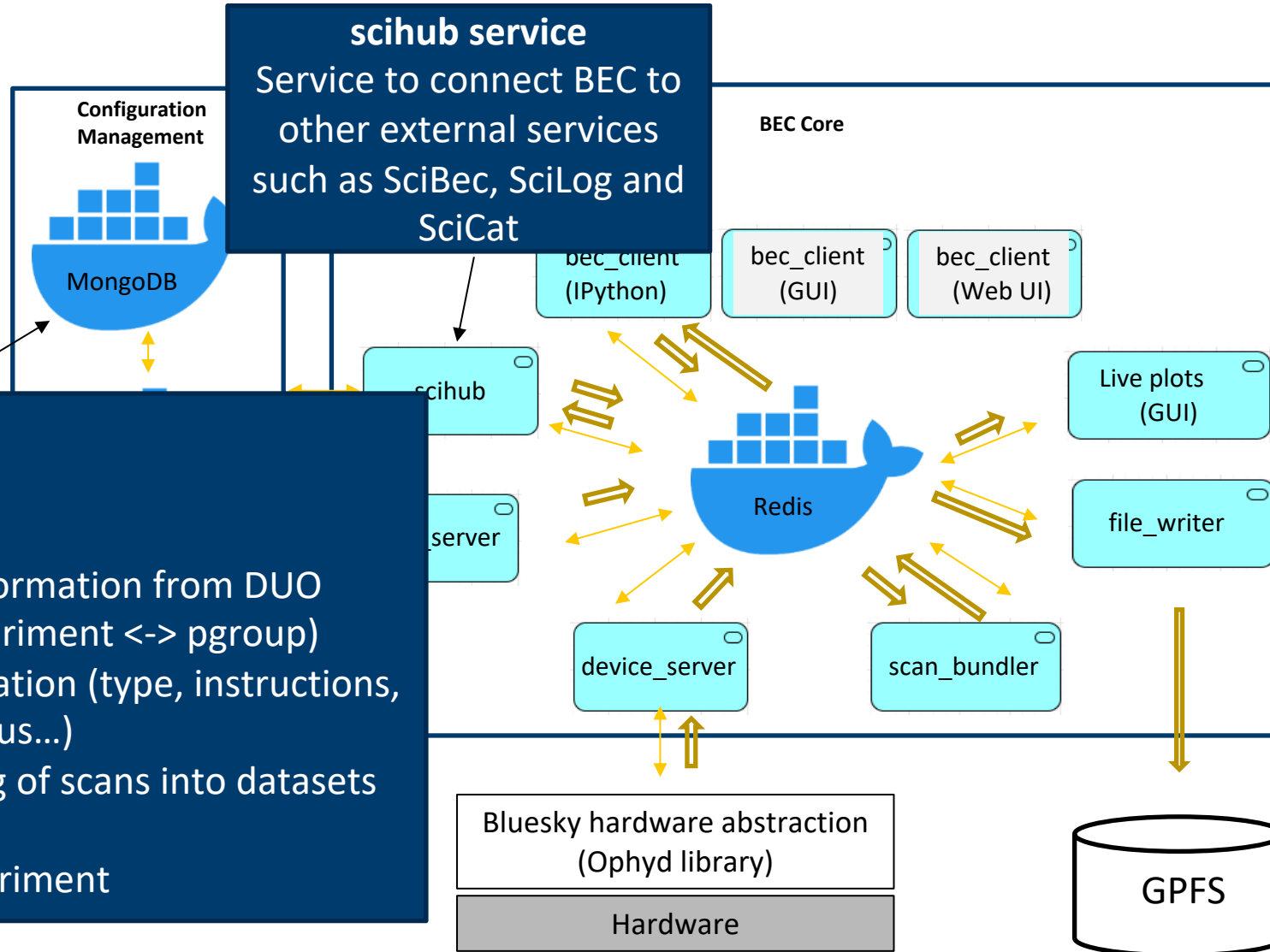
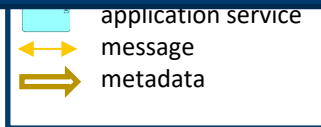
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BEC prototype architecture

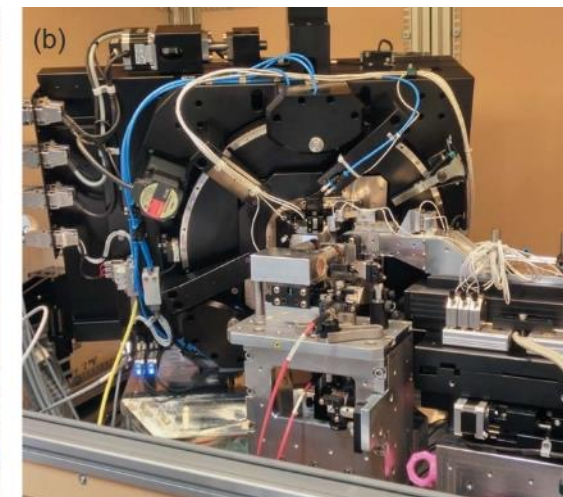
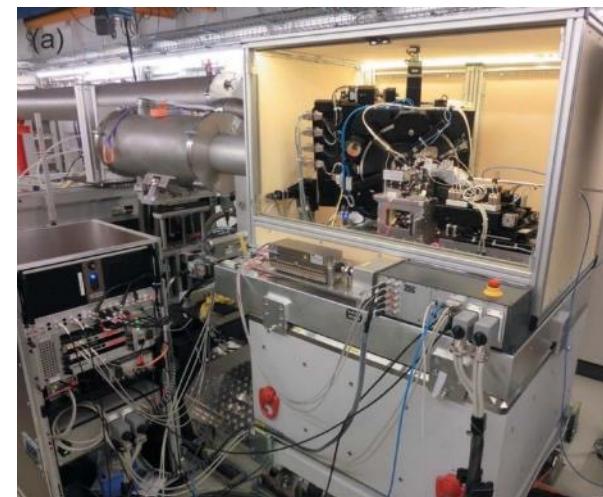
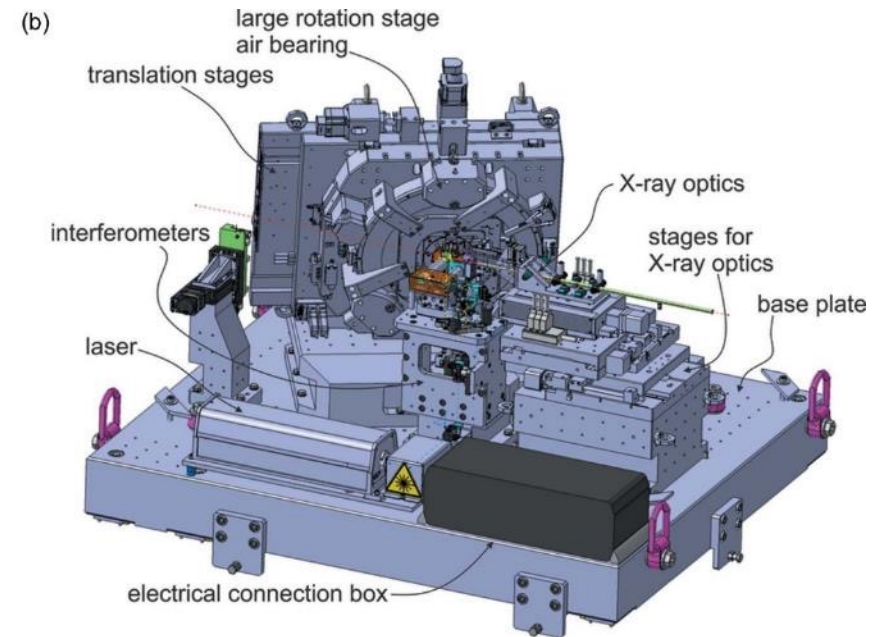
BEC database

- Device data
- Session data
- + Populated with information from DUO (beamline <-> experiment <-> pgroup)
- + Stores scan information (type, instructions, metadata, exit status...)
- + Stores the mapping of scans into datasets (for SciCat export)
- + Set the active experiment



- Apr. 13-Apr. 17: hierarchical imaging for brain connectivity mapping
- Apr. 20-Apr. 24: topological magnetic defects
- Apr. 26-Mar. 01: quasi-static behaviour of a topological point defect - Bloch point
- May. 04-May. 08: Data-driven X-ray laminography for high-throughput 3D inspection of integrated circuits

- Received very productive feedback on the interaction between **SciLog** and **BEC** (*cSAXS migrated to SciLog early this year*)
- Application-specific interface is more and more deviating from SPEC
- Improved communication with other systems (e.g. Eiger detector's raw2hdf5 converter now reports back to BEC)



X-Treme

Done:

- ✓ Ophyd integration
- ✓ Fly scans are implemented and tested
- ✓ User scripts are implemented and tested
- ✓ (Partially) unsupervised implementation of new functionality

WIP:

- Working on live feedback

Next steps:

- Improve the integration with the data analysis routines (ASCII vs HDF5 files)

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Done:

- ✓ Ophyd integration of existing devices
- ✓ First alignment scans incl live feedback

WIP:

- Auto-deployment
– *Thanks to Borys and Leo!*

Next steps:

- Waiting for more hardware to arrive / be commissioned



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Done:

- ✓ NI-board device integration (up to ~2.8 Gb/s)
- ✓ Raw data file writer

Next steps:

- Ophyd integration
- First data acquisition (likely at SuperXAS mid August)