

Data Acquisition, Processing and Monitoring at the NSLS-II Life Science Beamlines - an Adaptable Approach for Long-Term Development

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Macromolecular Crystallography Experiments:
Focus on Automation, High Data Rate Analysis and User Interfaces

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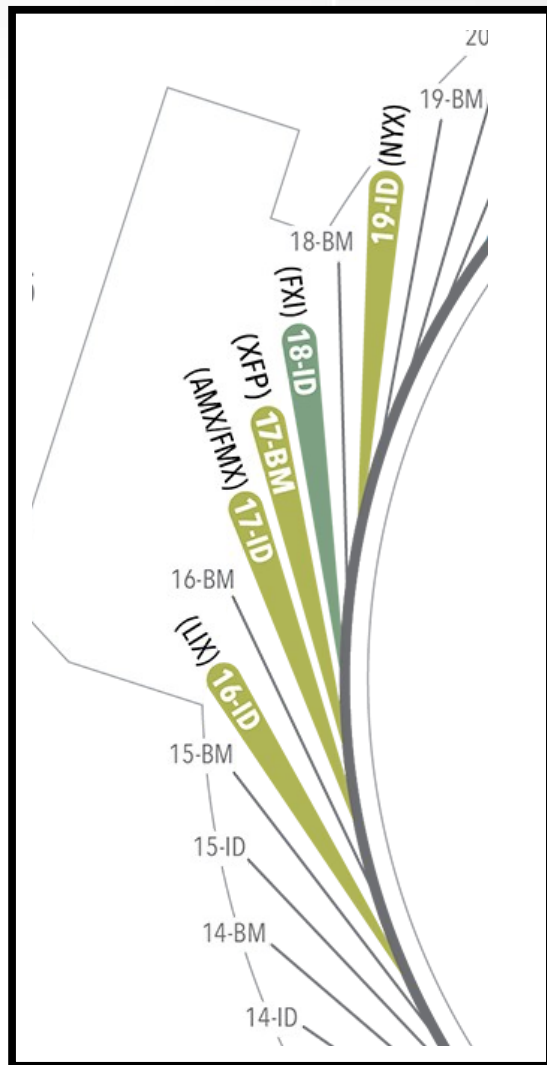
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743	4-ID	Integrated In situ and Resonant Hard X-ray Studies (ISR)	Christie Nelson , Ext. 4916
743	5-ID	Submicron Resolution X-ray Spectroscopy (SRX)	Andrew Kiss , Ext. 3569
743	6-BM	Beamline for Materials Measurement (BMM)	Bruce Ravel , Ext. 3613
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744	12-ID	Soft Matter Interfaces (SMI)	Mikhail Zhernenkov , Ext. 5158
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745	17-ID-2	Frontier Microfocusing Macromolecular Crystallography (FMX)	Martin Fuchs , Ext. 8890
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741	22-IR-1	Frontier Synchrotron Infrared Spectroscopy (FIS)	Larry Carr , Ext. 2237
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741	23-ID-1	Coherent Soft X-ray Scattering (CSX)	Claudio Mazzoli , Ext. 8213
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742	28-ID-2	X-ray Powder Diffraction (XPD)	Sanjit Ghose , Ext. 3611
Beamlines Under Development			
744	9-ID	Coherent Diffraction Imaging (CDI)	Garth Williams , Ext. 8747
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742	29-ID-1	Soft X-ray Nanoprobe (SXN)	Andrew Walter , Ext. 4055
742	29-ID-2	NanoARPES and NanoRIXS (ARI)	Andrew Walter , Ext. 4055

- 29 beamlines in operation, 4 under development
- Storage ring: 792m circumference, 3 GeV, 400 mA operating current designed to deliver an electron beam with very small emittance (0.5 nm-rad H, 8 pm-rad V)
- One of the newest synchrotrons in the world, started operating in 2015 and has a large user community around the US and the world



BL	Min. beam size	Flux	Detector	Max fr. rate	Robotic sample changer	# samples	Data Acquisition GUI	LIMS
AMX	7x5 μm^2	4e12	Eiger 9M	200+	Y	384	LSDC	SynchWeb /ISPyB
FMX	1x1.5 μm^2	3.5e12	Eiger 16M	100+	Y	384	LSDC	SynchWeb /ISPyB
NYX	10x10 μm^2	1e12	ADSC HF-4M	25	Y	240	Blulce	None
LiX	0.4 mm ² (scattering)		3x Pilatus		Y	54	Custom	None
XFP	0.1 x 0.4 mm ²	1.6e16	N/A		N	96	Custom	None
Cryo-EM							Vendor	None



This talk will concentrate on LSDC
(Life Sciences Data Collection)

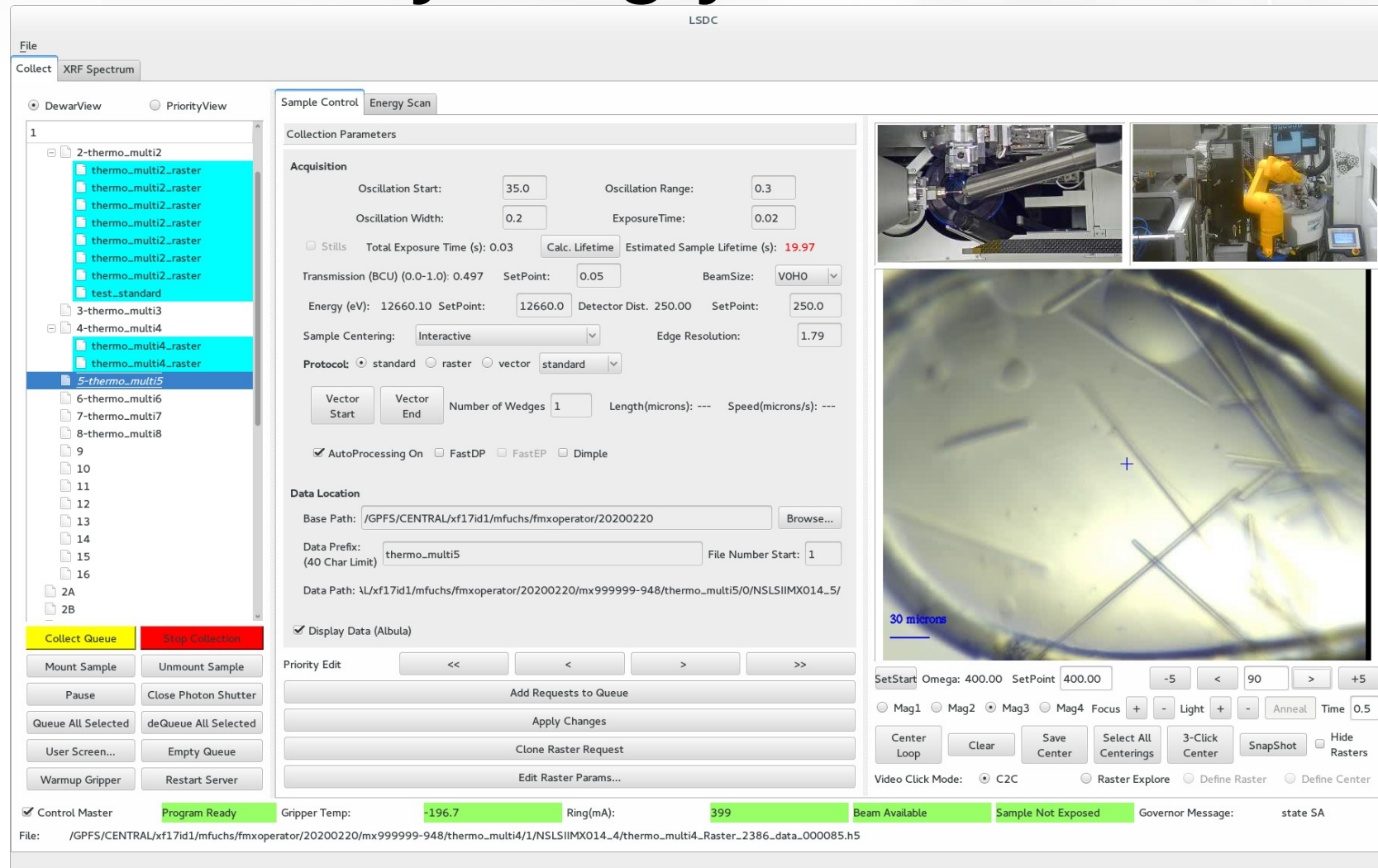
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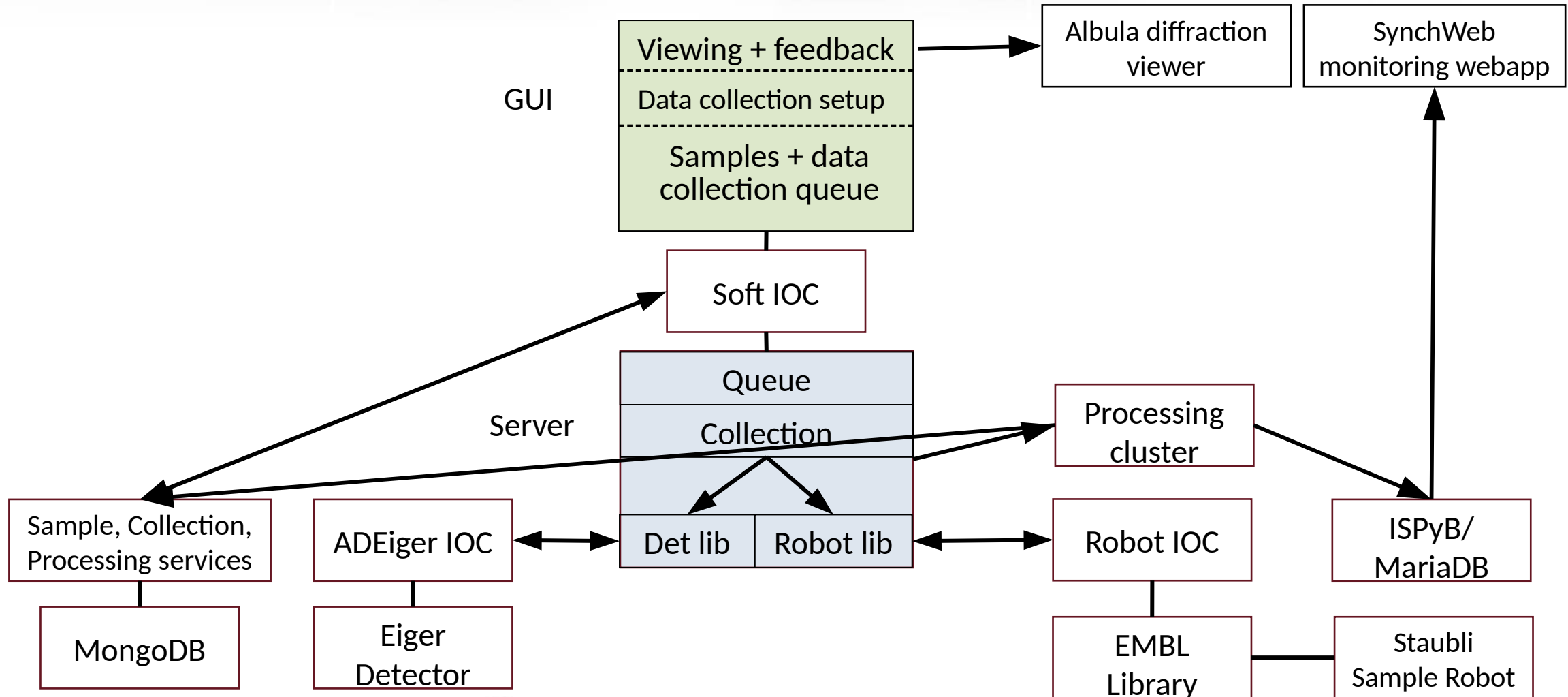
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Everything you need to collect remotely



- Layout inspired by MXCube
- Sample viewing/ centering/ rastering feedback area
- Parameters area
- Sample handling and data collection history area

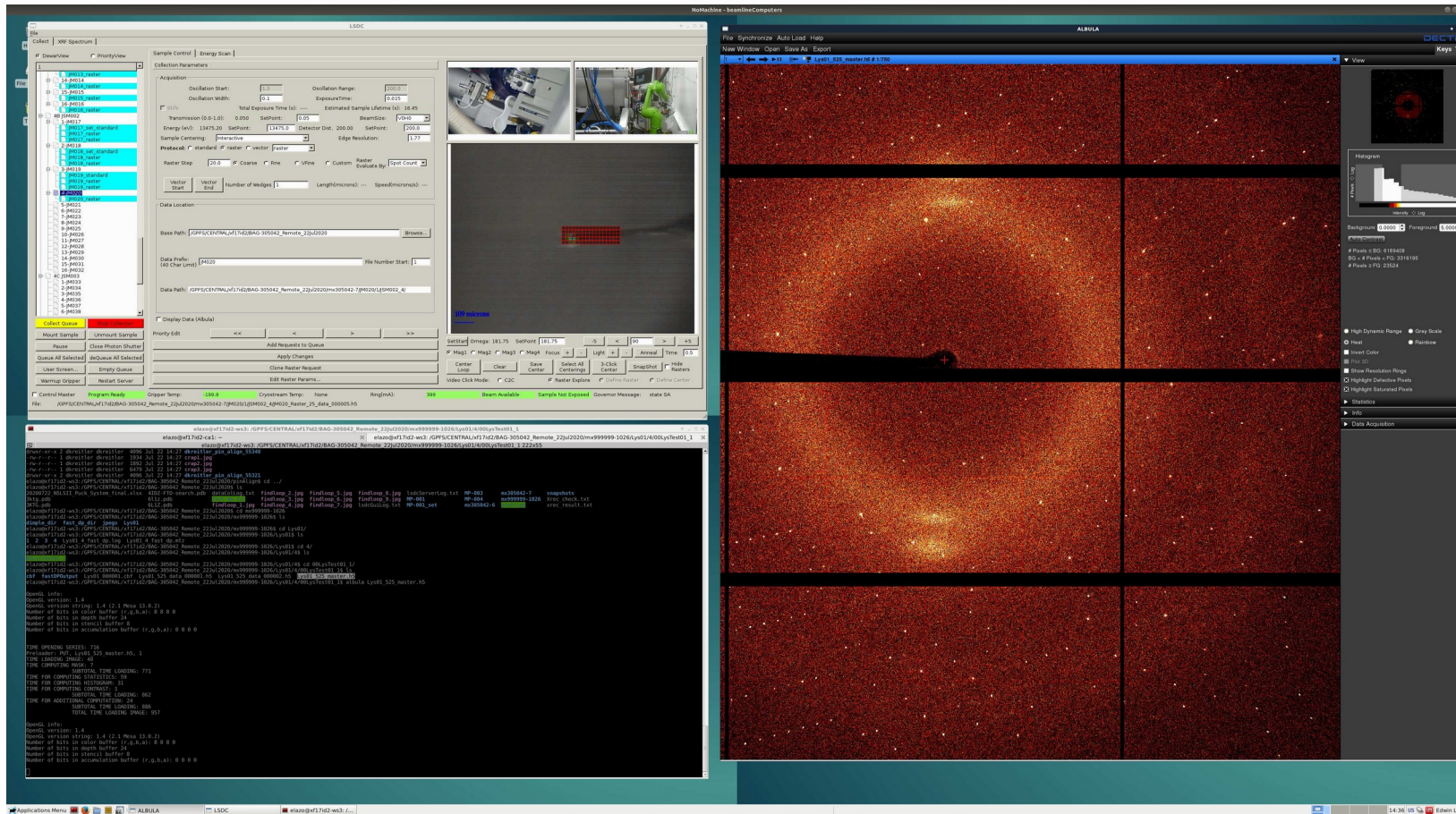
LSDC and related components



LSDC: current state at a glance

- Currently used at AMX and FMX
- Python (PyQt) GUI client
 - Configure all typical experiments (standard oscillation, diffraction and fluorescence-based rastering, vector/helical, energy scan)
 - GUI-driven sample exchange
 - Rastering heatmaps
 - Albula (Dectris) for diffraction image visualization
- Python server
 - Perform the queued experiments configured by the user
 - Using the libraries below
 - Communication with databases
 - Hardware configuration management
 - Initiating processing
 - FastDP, Xia2
 - Dimple
 - Chooch, Raddose, Dozor, DIALS Spotfinder, etc...
 - Libraries modularizing PyEpics calls to interact with PVs of the EPICS Control System
 - Detector, robot, general PVs
- On both client and server, many custom components including sample centering/rastering definition/raster feedback view, queuing system

LSDC GUI and Albula (Dectris) on NX



LSDC GUI + Albula, Synchweb



What challenges do data acquisition systems face?

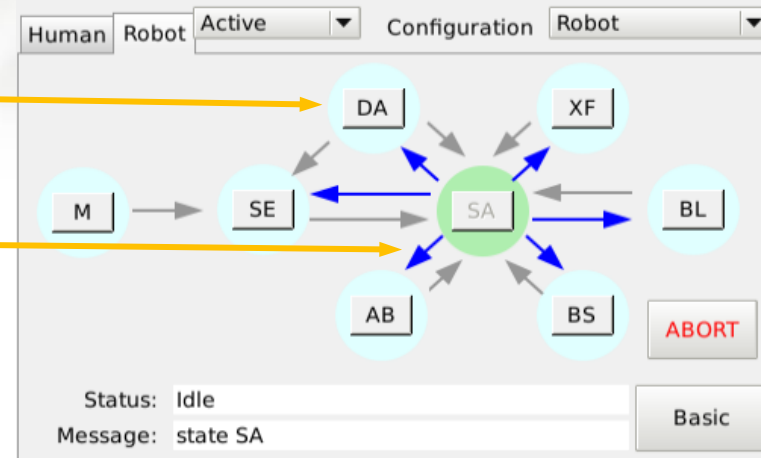
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LSDC Core Modules

- State machine for safe experiment state transitions – the Governor
- X-ray fluorescence spectrum using standard libraries (Ophyd, Bluesky, Matplotlib, and PyMca)
- Ophyd/Bluesky for MX experiments (in progress)
- Sample, data collection, data processing information storage via web services
- ISPyB-API library (Diamond Light Source) for ISPyB interaction
- Interaction with Albula (Dectris) for diffraction visualization
- EPICS PV interaction code modularized into libraries

The Governor manages Experiment States

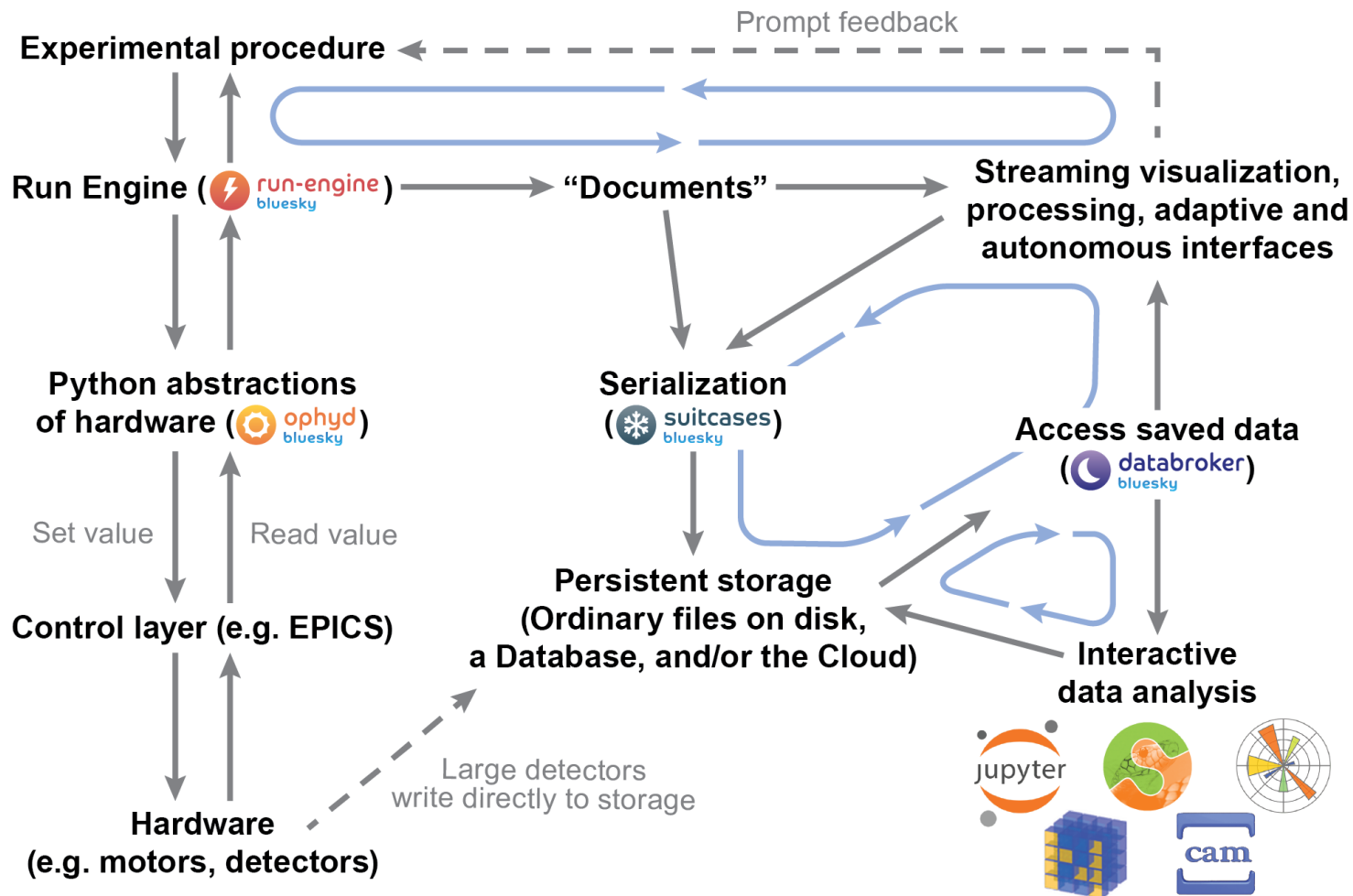
- Define **experiment states** with default positions
- Define **transitions** between states
- Define multiple **positions** per positioner
 - Motors (Near, Far, Park, ...)
 - Valves (Open, Close)
- Define allowed **ranges** within states
- Test transitions thoroughly once
- From now on, just call transitions to cycle through experiment states



Positions				
bsy	mm	Down	-60.000	Up -10.800
bsz	mm	Park	48.000	DAQ 15.000
li	mm	In	0.000	Out -100.000
cx	mm	In	0.000	Out 40.000
cxy	mm	Near	2.000	Far 12.000
dz	mm	In	220.000	Out 220.000
gx	um	Mount	207300.000	Work 206840.000
gx	um	Near	187300.000	Park -180000.000
gy	um	Mount	12900.000	Work 12927.299
gz	um	Mount	4900.000	Work 4900.000
go	deg	Mount	0.000	Work 90.000
gpy	um	Mount	-100.000	Work 10.000
gpz	um	Mount	720.000	Work 460.010

Limits				
		Low Limit	High Limit	
bsy	mm	0.000	0.000	mm
bsz	mm	0.000	0.000	mm
li	mm	0.000	0.000	mm
cxy	mm	0.000	5.000	mm
cx	mm	0.000	0.000	mm
dz	mm	0.000	1500.000	mm
collaxy	um	-100.000	100.000	um

Working with Bluesky



- Developed at NSLS-II and used at most beamlines
- Used at 5 US DOE Light Sources and the Australian Synchrotron
- Modularized data acquisition system
 - Control system abstraction layer
 - Procedure running code
 - Access layer to data
- <http://blueskyproject.io>

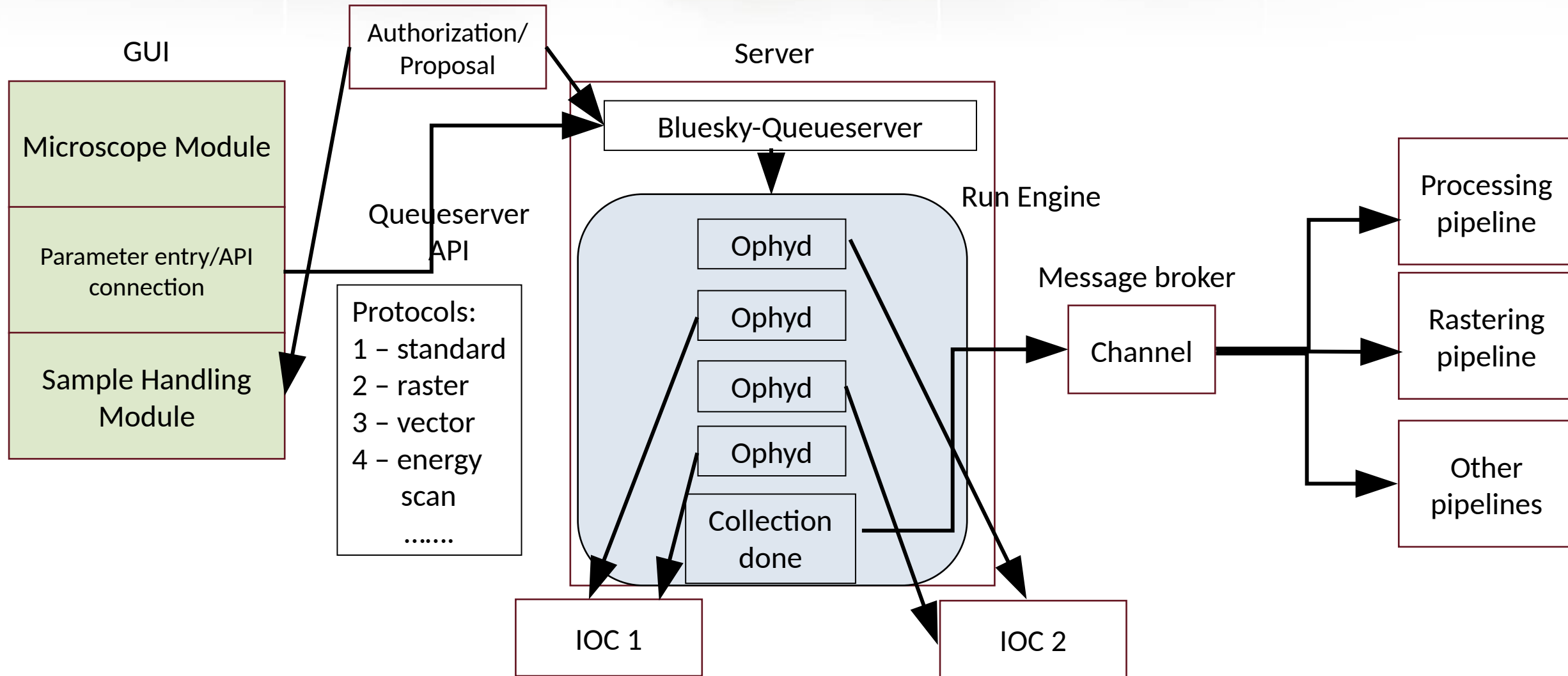
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Proposed future LSDC system - changes

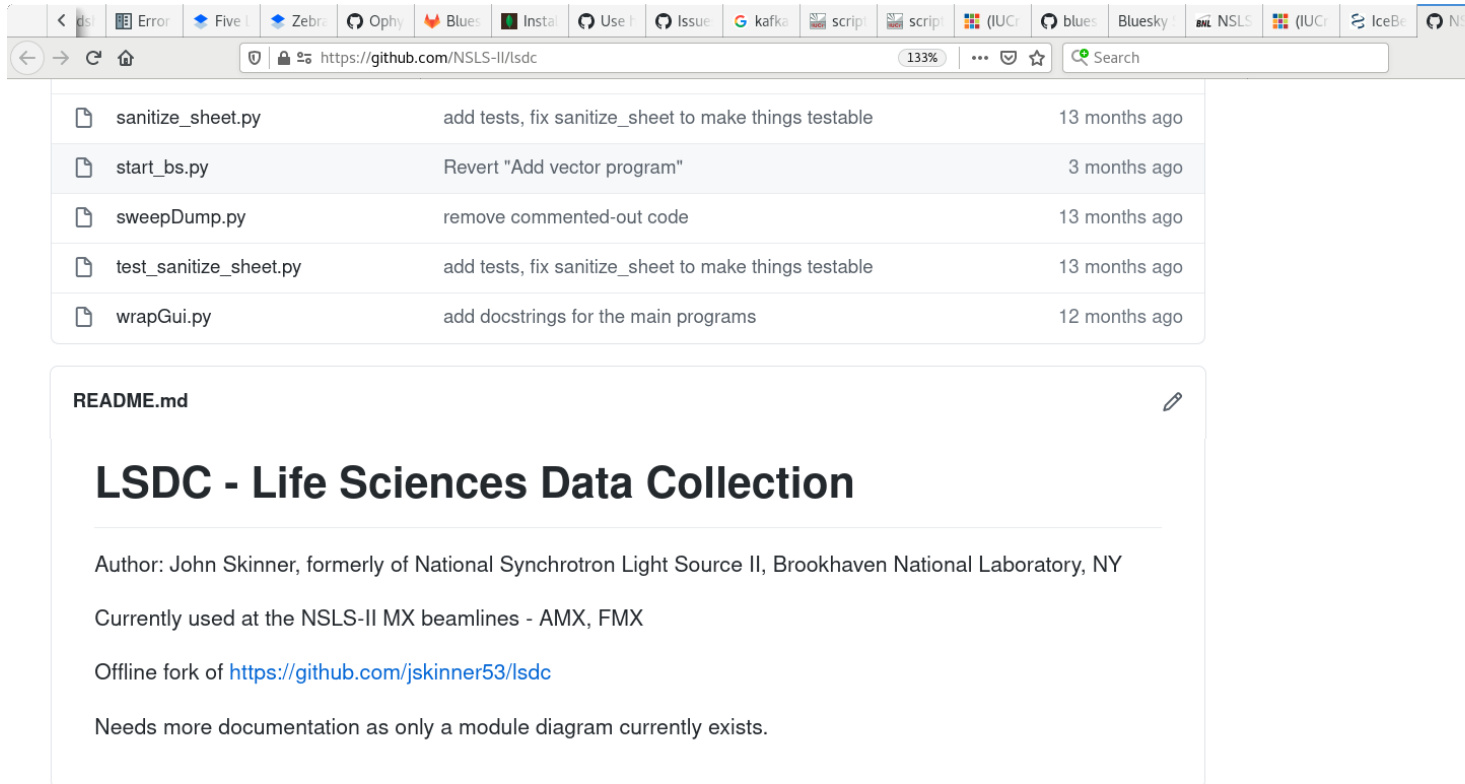


How LSDC is being prepared for long-term development

- Improving the core scanning code with Ophyd/Bluesky
 - Hardware abstraction layer
 - Offline testing
 - Better modularization
- Replace custom collection queueing code with Bluesky-Queueserver
- Modularization of GUI code
 - Specify a new "microscope" module that can be used at many beamlines to view samples and control experiments
- Software engineering improvements
- Improved processing systems triggered via Kafka message broker
 - More flexible, less hard-coded processing – adding multi-crystal, multi-dataset (from Dale's talk)
 - Reprocessing

LSDC is on Github!

<https://github.com/NSLS-II/lcdc>



File	Description	Time
sanitize_sheet.py	add tests, fix sanitize_sheet to make things testable	13 months ago
start_bs.py	Revert "Add vector program"	3 months ago
sweepDump.py	remove commented-out code	13 months ago
test_sanitize_sheet.py	add tests, fix sanitize_sheet to make things testable	13 months ago
wrapGui.py	add docstrings for the main programs	12 months ago

README.md

LSDC - Life Sciences Data Collection

Author: John Skinner, formerly of National Synchrotron Light Source II, Brookhaven National Laboratory, NY

Currently used at the NSLS-II MX beamlines - AMX, FMX

Offline fork of <https://github.com/jskinner53/lcdc>

Needs more documentation as only a module diagram currently exists.

• Future

- Continuous Integration
 - Unit testing
- pip installation
- Docker

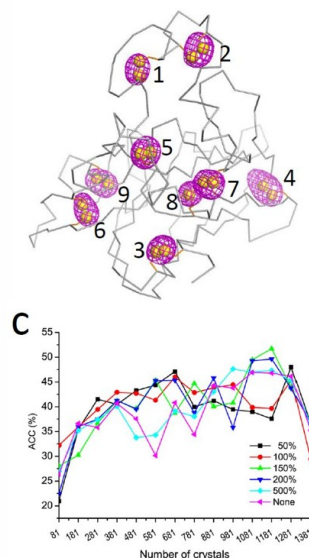
Common systems being developed

- NSLS-II as a whole
 - Guacamole to complement NX
 - Single sign-on
 - Direct access to web applications once signed in
 - Better integration of proposal system
- LSDC modules
 - Bluesky queueing system
 - Bluesky GUI experiment configuration module
 - Microscope module
 - Sample management module
 - Externalize processing with Kafka message broker system (Dale's talk from yesterday)

➤ G. Guo, P. Zhu, Q. Liu (BNL Biology Dept)

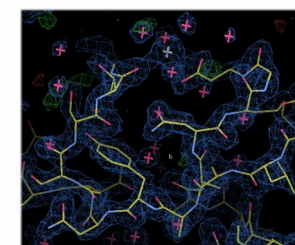
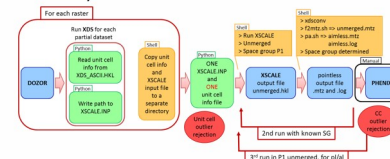
- Data collection at 5 keV ($\lambda = 2.48 \text{ \AA}$) from 5-10 μm thaumatin crystals
- Strategy of data analysis
 - Initial data assembly based on CC1/2
 - Crystal and frame rejections based on SmRmerge

Takemaru et al., *J. Appl. Crystallogr.* **53**, 277 (2020)
Guo et al., *IUCr* **6**, 532 (2019)
Guo et al., *IUCr* **5**, 238 (2018)

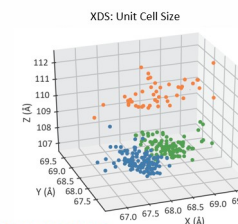


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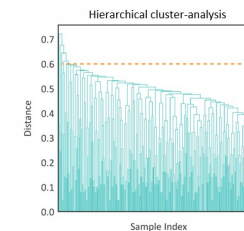
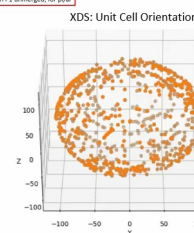
- ~200 partial datasets for structure solution
- Equally high data quality for detector frame rates of 200, 500 and 750 Hz



Proteinase K structure refined to 2.0 Å resolution
 $R_{\text{work}}=16.7\%$ and $R_{\text{free}}=21.3\%$ (500Hz dataset)



Automated clustering using
Machine Learning algorithm



Gao, Y. *et al.*, *J. Synchrotron Rad.*, (2018), **25**, 1362-1370

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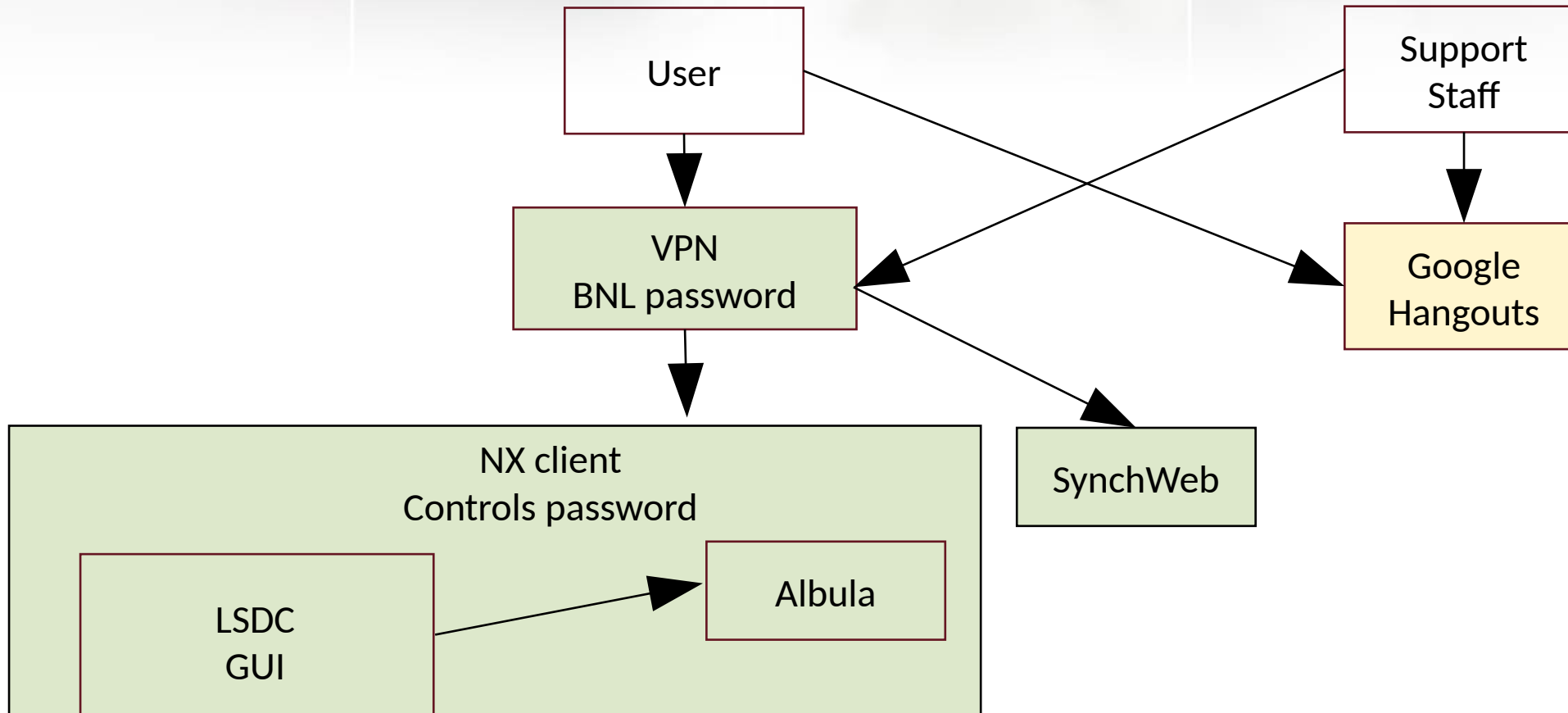
The future is bright for the NSLS-II beamlines!

- More common infrastructure systems at NSLS-II
 - Good for users
 - Good for staff!
- Development of new cross-beamline software projects
- Bluesky as both a cross-beamline and cross-facility project
- LSDC as a framework for GUI-based data acquisition
- All while keeping the existing users happy!

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 - Tom Caswell, Dan Allan – Bluesky originators
 - Marcus Hanwell – microscope module
 - Maksim Rakitin – CI, packaging, and Ophyd/Bluesky integration
- SynchWeb, ispyb-api developers (Diamond Light Source)
- Albula library (Dectris)

Current MX beamline situation – what the user sees



Future MX beamline User View

