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NSRL BO and Transitioning to A Digital Twin Implementation with Badger

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Topics:

ADO's / Multinet (the CAD control system)

Xopt and Badger

Badger interface with Multinet

Pitfalls of the prior BO \ Image processing approach

Accelerator Device Objects (ADO's) and Multinet The Basics

- Multinet was selected in the 1990's as the CAD home grown control system over EPICS for its implementation of multiplexing (PPM – Pulse to Pulse Modulated User)
 - Example: We can run NSRL, BLIP and fill RHIC in a multiplexed mode.
 - Packages for C\C++, Java, Python
 - Time based functions limited to C\C++ (we can bind to Python)
- EIC will use EPICS for it's control system, but the injector chain will remain with ADO for some time until upgrade resource (funds / people / hardware) can be found
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Accelerator Device Objects (ADO's) and Multinet The Basics

```
Terminal
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
acnlinmf 141:adoIf -vo -4 simple.test shorts 5
acnlinmf 142:adoIf -4 simple.test shorts 10
adoIf simple.test shorts 5
adoIf simple.test shorts 10
acnlinmf 143:adoPet simple.test &
```

PpmUserMon										-	□	×
Setup Diagnostics										Help		
Tue Oct 14 16:25:21 SC Length 5.8s												
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AGS									7			
Booster								N6	A7			
Tandem	A1											
# cycles	9											
Linac								6				
ETB								N6				
EBIS								N6				
ion type								Si				
# cycles								1				

```
/tmp/simple.test.ado PPM User: RHIC_U4
Page PPM Device Data Tools Buffer Help
ado class simple
simple.test fecName acnlin6a.pbn.bnl
simple.test description Examples of para
simple.test constructTime 1759349650
simple.test version 1.8 / Jan 9 202
simple.test className simple
simple.test commandBuffer %
simple.test commandBufferLength 0
simple.test testC 0
simple.test commandC commandC
simple.test menuS first
simple.test charS
simple.test ucharS
simple.test shortS 5
simple.test ushortS 5
simple.test intS 5
simple.test uintS 0
simple.test longS 1
simple.test ulongS 1
simple.test floatS 0
simple.test doubleS 0
(19,3) simple.test:ushortS
Nudge: 1 255
Thu Oct 16 18:39:45 2025: UpdateCellDisplay (40,3) - Unable to extract data
Thu Oct 16 18:39:45 2025: Get and Async requests complete.
```

Server Room

Server Node
(physical computer)

Manager
(Server Process
(ADO Instance))

Process
Variable

Variable [8]

Setter Code

Manager

Accelerator Device Objects (ADO's) and Multinet The Basics

- Multinet is the Python package for talking to ADO's

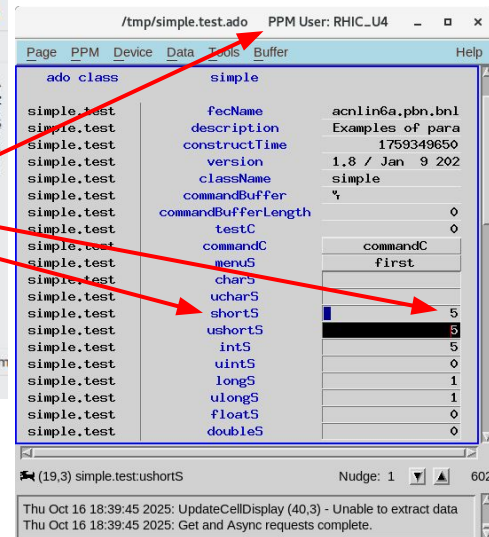
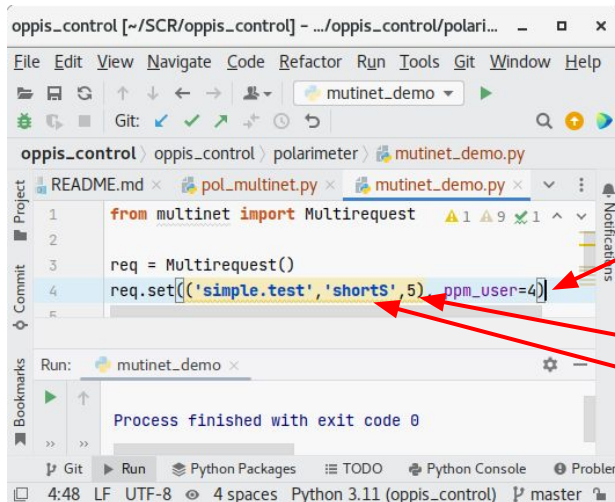
```
from multinet import Multirequest
```

```
req = Multirequest()
```

```
req.set(('simple.test', 'shortS', 5), ppm_user=4)
```

Yes, this could easily be replaced with an epics function call!

- This assumes the developer has access to the CAD package repository
- This assumes you're on the internal controls network
- Error checking is omitted



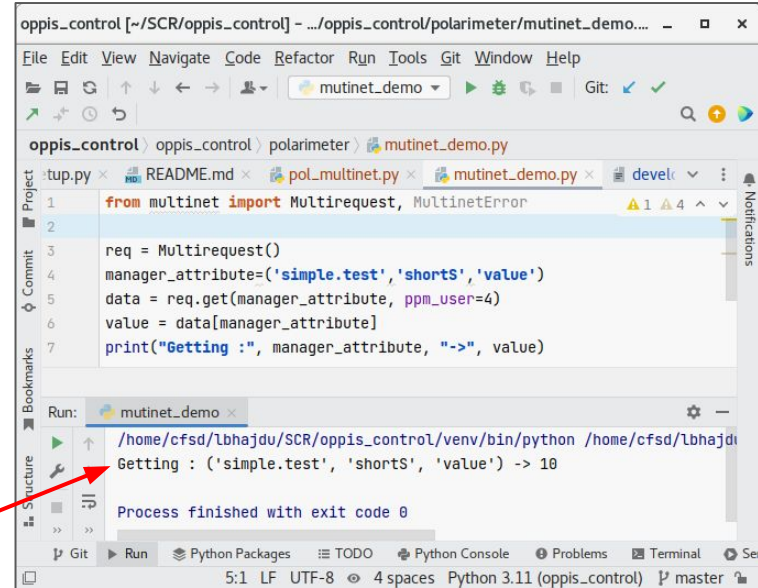
Accelerator Device Objects (ADO's) and Multinet The Basics

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```
from multinet import Multirequest
req = Multirequest()
manager_attribute=('simple.test', 'shortS', 'value')
data = req.get(manager_attribute, ppm_user=4)
value = data[manager_attribute]
print("Getting :", manager_attribute, "->", value)
```

We generally encapsulate these lines into a function

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```
oppis_control [~/SCR/oppis_control] - .../oppis_control/polarimeter/mutinet_demo...
File Edit View Navigate Code Refactor Run Tools Git Window Help
mutinet_demo
oppis_control oppis_control polarimeter mutinet_demo.py
Project: tup.py x README.md x pol_multinet.py x mutinet_demo.py x develc
1 from multinet import Multirequest, MultinetError
2
3 req = Multirequest()
4 manager_attribute=('simple.test', 'shortS', 'value')
5 data = req.get(manager_attribute, ppm_user=4)
6 value = data[manager_attribute]
7 print("Getting :", manager_attribute, "->", value)
Run: mutinet_demo x
/home/cfsd/lbhajdu/SCR/oppis_control/venv/bin/python /home/cfsd/lbhajdu/...
Getting : ('simple.test', 'shortS', 'value') -> 10
Process finished with exit code 0
Git Run Python Packages TODO Python Console Problems Terminal Ser
5:1 LF UTF-8 4 spaces Python 3.11 (oppis_control) master
```

Output

What is Xopt?

- Flexible, open-source **framework** for optimization of arbitrary problems using python
- **Independent** of problem type (simulation or experiment)
- **Independent** of optimization algorithm + easy to incorporate custom algorithms
- **Easy to use** text interface and/or advanced customized use for professionals



Xopt Overview - Structure

Xopt

VOCS

- Defines variables, objectives and constraints

Xopt.step()

Pass sample(s) to be evaluated

Generator

- Generates sample points

Evaluator

- Evaluates objective function

Retrieve result(s), handle errors, add data to generator, store results etc.

Note: this process can also be done asynchronously

Xopt Overview – Example problem

Define the domain/goals

$$x_1, x_2 \in [0, \pi] \quad \mathbf{x}^* = \arg \min f(\mathbf{x})$$
$$g(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0$$

Define the objectives/constraints

$$f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$$
$$g(x_1, x_2) = 1 - x_1^2 - x_2^2$$

In [2]:

```
from xopt import VOCS
import math

vocs = VOCS(
    variables = {
        "x1": [0, math.pi],
        "x2": [0, math.pi]
    },
    objectives = {"f": "MINIMIZE"},
    constraints = {"g": ["LESS_THAN", 0]}
)
```

In [1]:

```
from xopt import Evaluator

def evaluate_function(inputs: dict) -> dict:
    objective_value = inputs["x1"]**2 + inputs["x2"]**2
    constraint_value = -inputs["x1"]**2 - inputs["x2"]**2 + 1
    return {"f": objective_value, "g": constraint_value}

evaluator = Evaluator(function=evaluate_function)
```

Xopt

\mathbf{x}

$-d$

Xopt.step()

Pass sample(s) to be evaluated

Generator
• Generates sample points

$f(\mathbf{x})$

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The Xopt Ecosystem

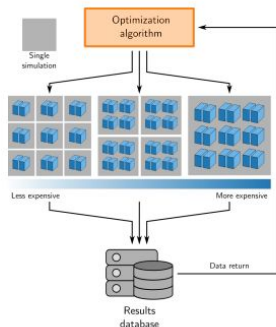
Xopt algorithm implementation



Production ready control



<https://github.com/xopt-org/Xopt>



Accelerator simulation

YAML file

```
xopt:
  max_evaluations: 6000

generator:
  name: cuga
  population_size: 64
  population_file: test.csv
  output_path: .

evaluator:
  function: xopt.resources.test_functions.tbx-evaluate_TBX
  function_args:
    raise_probability: 0.1

vars:
  variables:
    x1: [0, 1.54159]
    x2: [0, 1.54159]
  objectives: (y1: MINIMIZE, y2: MINIMIZE)
  constraints:
    c1: [GREATER_THAN, 0]
    c2: [LESS_THAN, 0.5]
  limited_variables: (dv: all)
  constants: (a: dummy_constant)
```

Python interface

```
# create Xopt object.
X = Xopt(YAML)

# take 10 steps and view data
for _ in range(10):
    X.step()

X.data
```

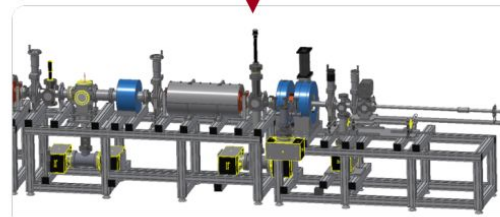
Arbitrary problem

Online Control R&D



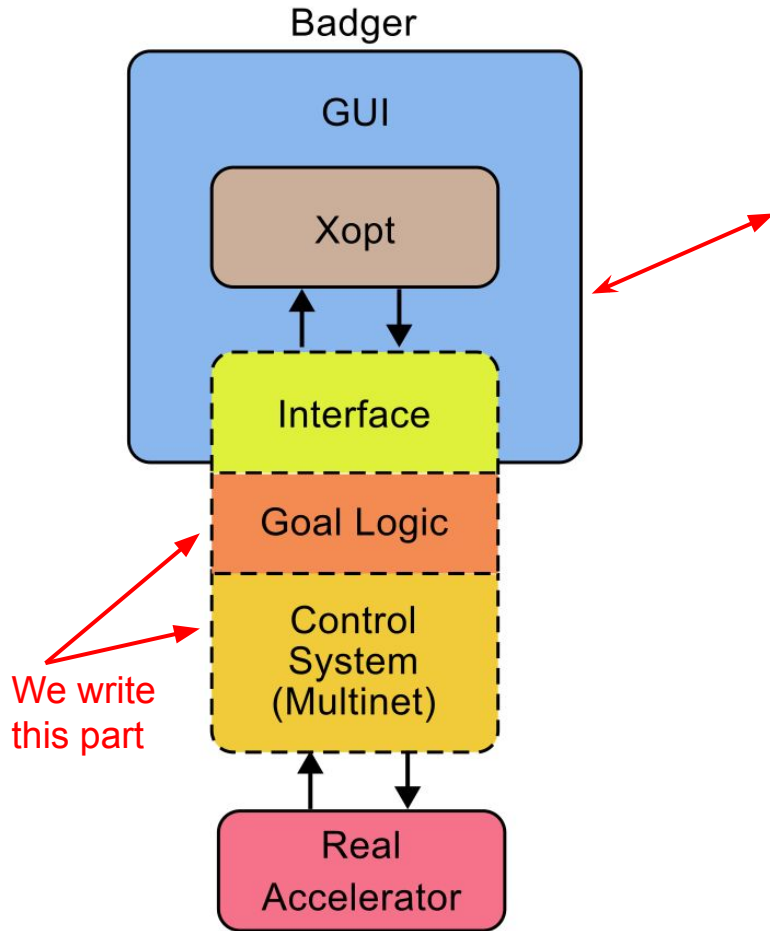
Badger GUI interface

<https://github.com/xopt-org/Badger>



Experiment facility

The Badger - Multinet Interface



Interfacing Badger to Multinet

Base class to implement Badger interface

[min, max] we overwrite these

Badger passes us values to set as a dictionary:

"rd250_tdh9-ps:sgnCurrentS": 15,
"rp253_tdv10-ps:sgnCurrentS": 17

```
class Environment(environment.Environment):  
  
    ppmUser: int = 3  
    agsCycleReadBackDelay: int = 2  
    variables = {  
        "rq6-ps:setpointS": [0, 2000], # size  
        "rq7-ps:setpointS": [0, 2000], # size  
        "rq8-ps:setpointS": [0, 2000], # size  
        "rd250_tdh9-ps:sgnCurrentS": [-1000, 1000], # x  
        "rp253_tdv10-ps:sgnCurrentS": [-1000, 1000], # y  
    }  
  
    observables = ["center_X", "center_y", "center_xy", "box_corner_dist"]  
  
    def set_variables(self, variable_inputs: dict[str, float]):  
        req = Multirequest()  
        for var, x in variable_inputs.items():  
            manager, value = nameToManagerAndValue(var)  
            req.set((manager, value, x), ppm_user=self.ppmUser)  
        agsDelay(nCycles=self.agsCycleReadBackDelay)  
  
    def get_observables(self, observable_names):  
        dict = {}  
        ...  
        return dict
```

Sets multinet values

Delay

We pass back a dictionary of observables:

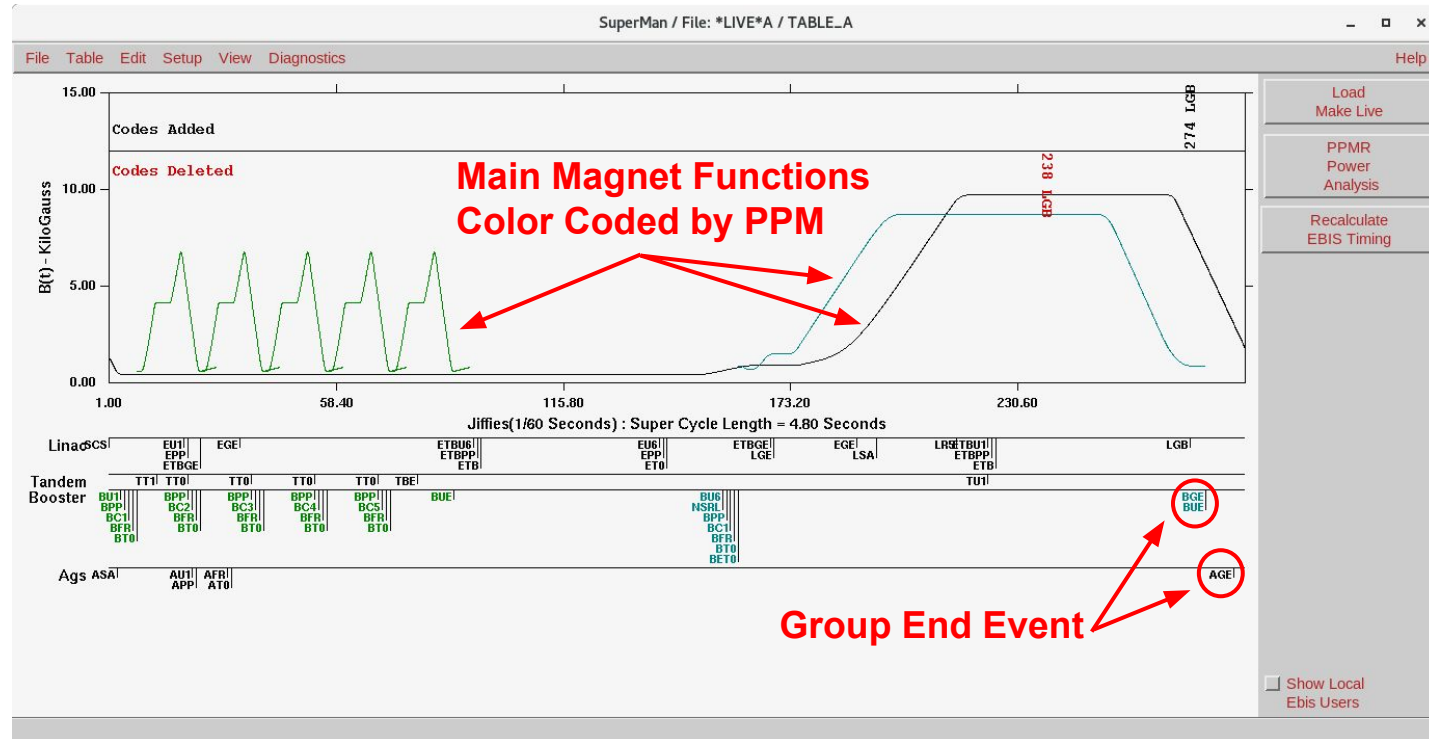
"center_X": 15,
"center_y": 17,
"center_XY": 25,
"box_corner_dist": 30

This is more complex,
But it could just be
return a bpm value

About the delay ... it's a synchrotron injector

Because we don't want waveforms jumping suddenly updates are only applied on the very next cycle if they are set before the "group-end" event and then one cycle needs to happen before readback of the new data (ie 2 cycles min.)

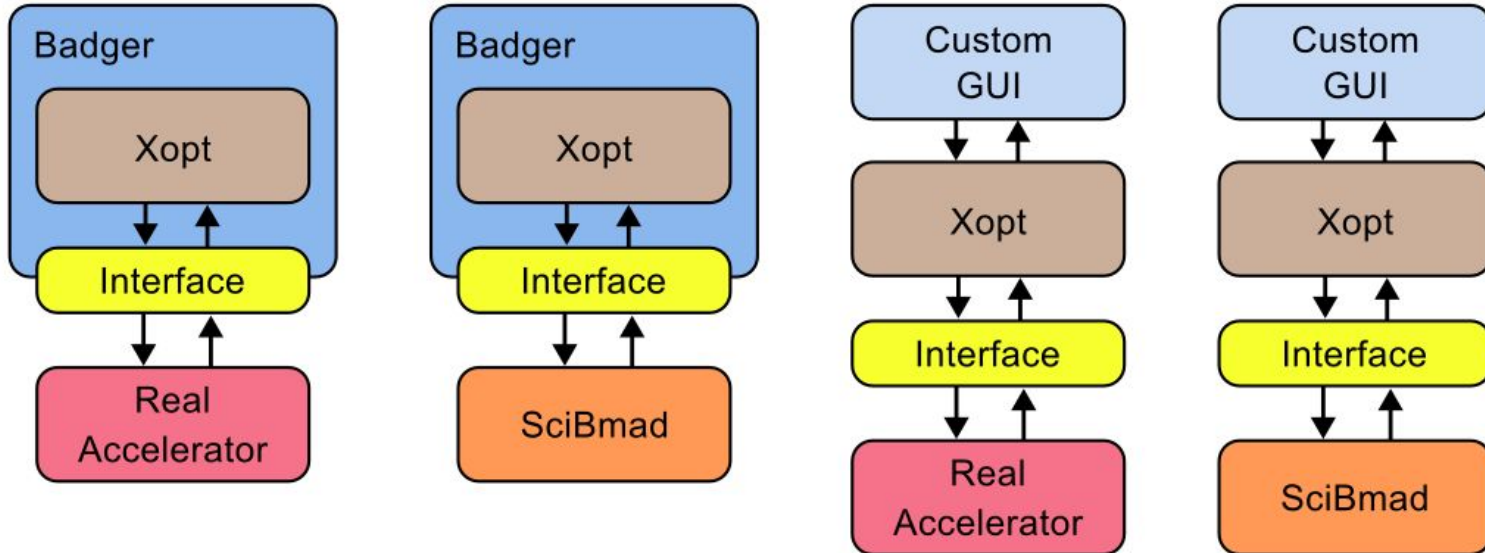
Super Cycle Manager



Permutations

Writing the interface to “glue” parts together is not hard so many permutations are possible:

*Assuming knowledge of your control system



The Pitfalls of BO with Complex Image Processing

- Typically all problems arise from reporting the wrong number back to Badger
- If we had it to do all over again we could get closer
 - but in some cases it would fail to converge
- A digital twin we can adjust offline will save beam time
- We may still need image processing with BO for the final step where there is tolerance drift over time
 - SciBmad will not model the drift over time, unless the model is adjusted

NSRL - Beamline Optics

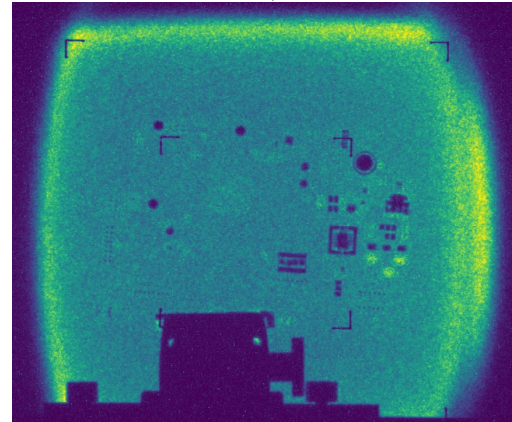
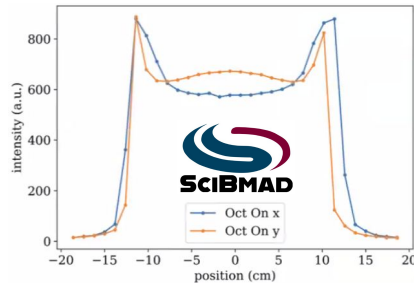
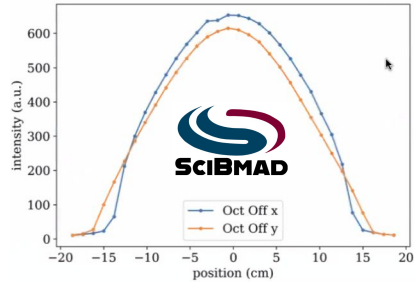
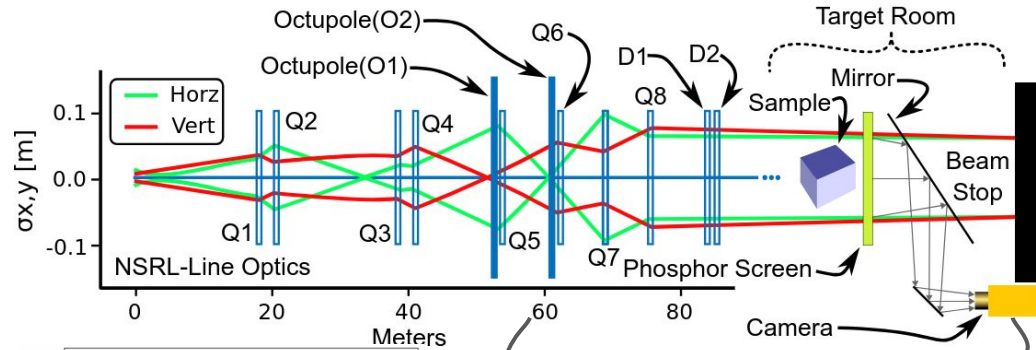
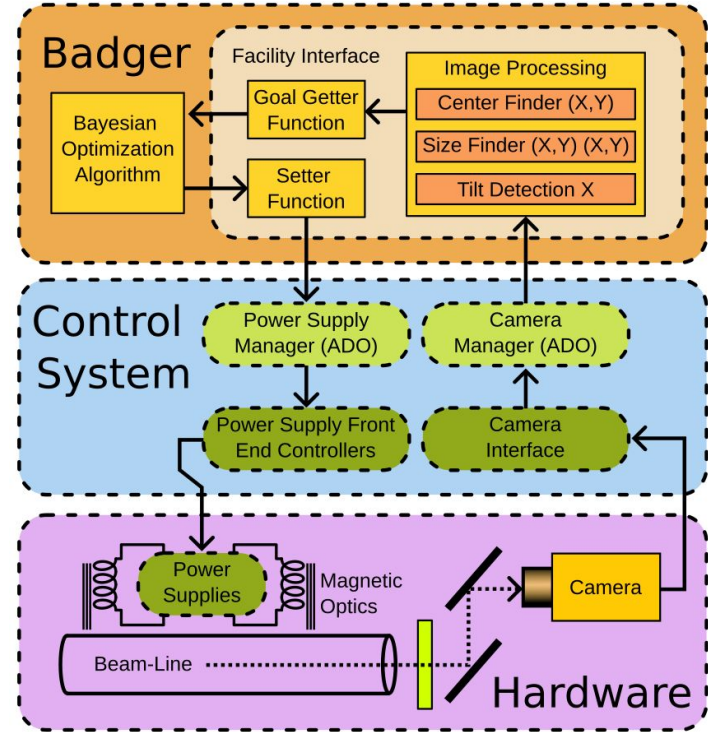


Image taken with NSRL beam imager showing PCB board being tested while being bombarded with 385 MeV/u bismuth ions.

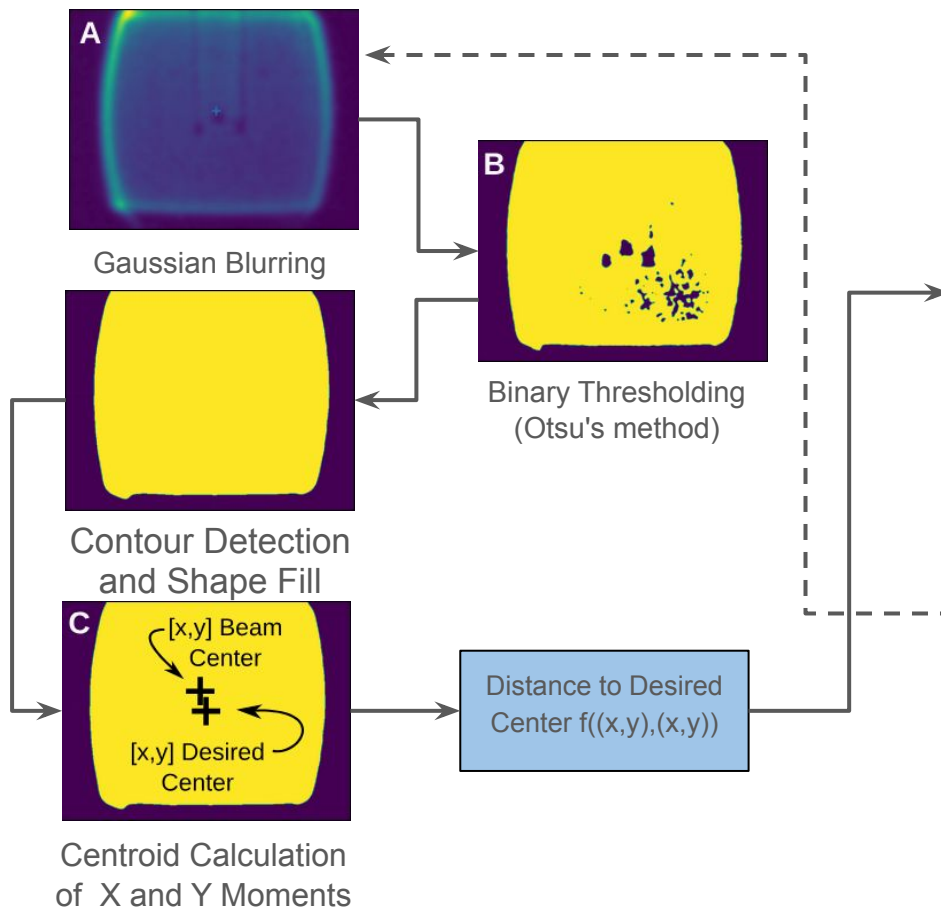
Bmad simulation of beam profile for 211 MeV/u bismuth with octupoles on and off.

Data flow between Badger, Control System, and Hardware



Beam species, ranging in atomic number (Z) from 1, hydrogen/protons, to 83 bismuth beams up to 20cm by 20cm uniform-area

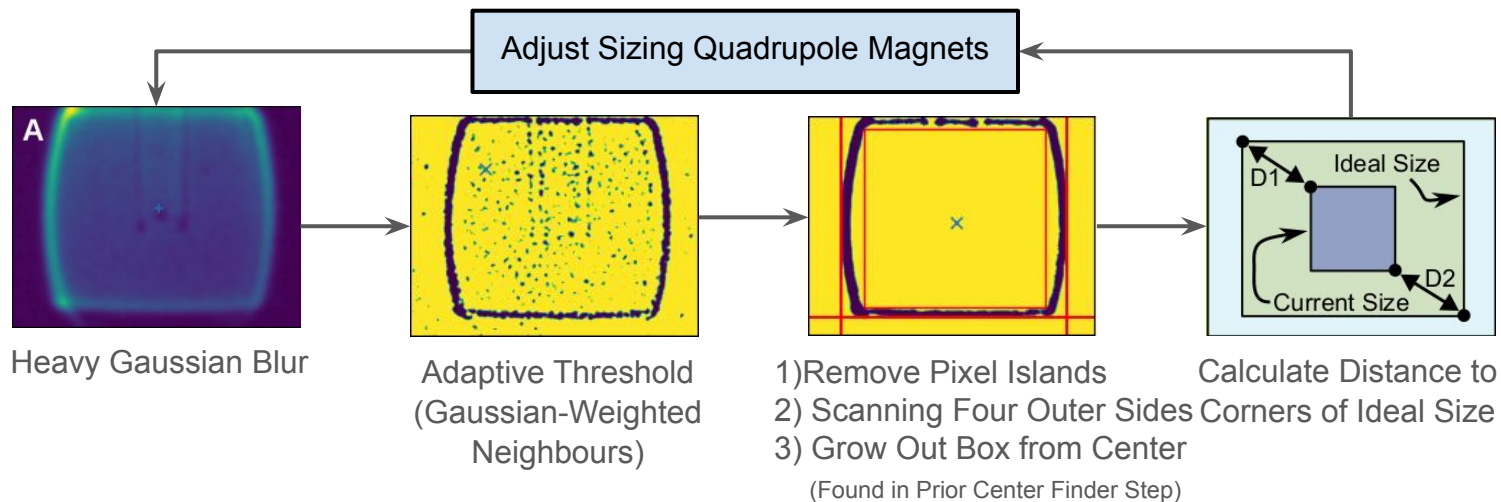
Beam Centering Goal Algorithm



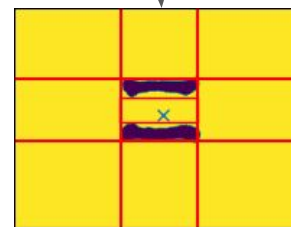
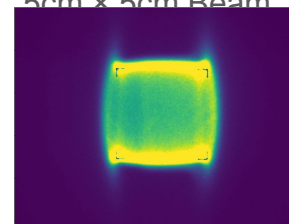
Badger interface showing a beam centering study: the top plot displays the beam's distance from the center, while the bottom plot shows dipole settings.



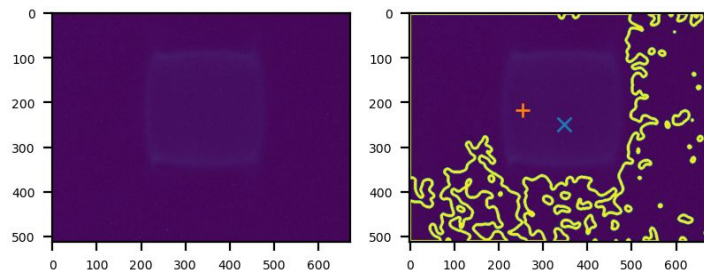
Usable Area Goal Quantification Algorithm



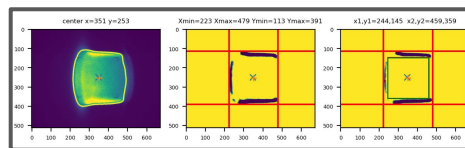
5cm x 5cm Beam



It still works with only
2 sides found

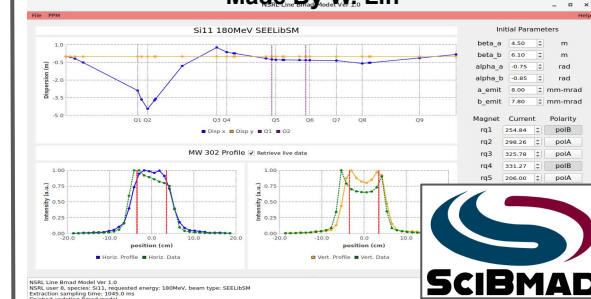


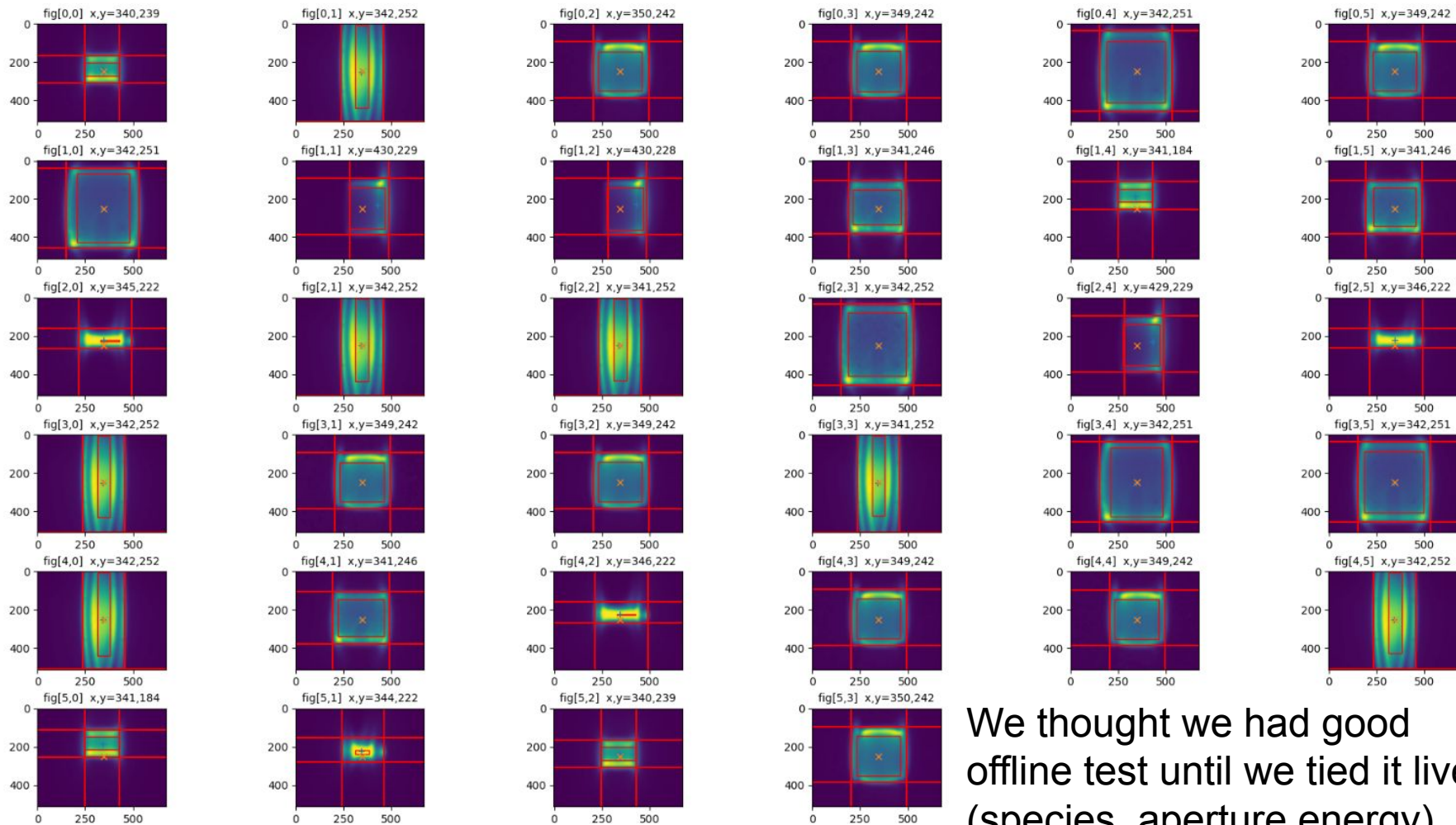
Signal Too Small (Will Not Converge)



Typical debugging strip printed
out with each spill

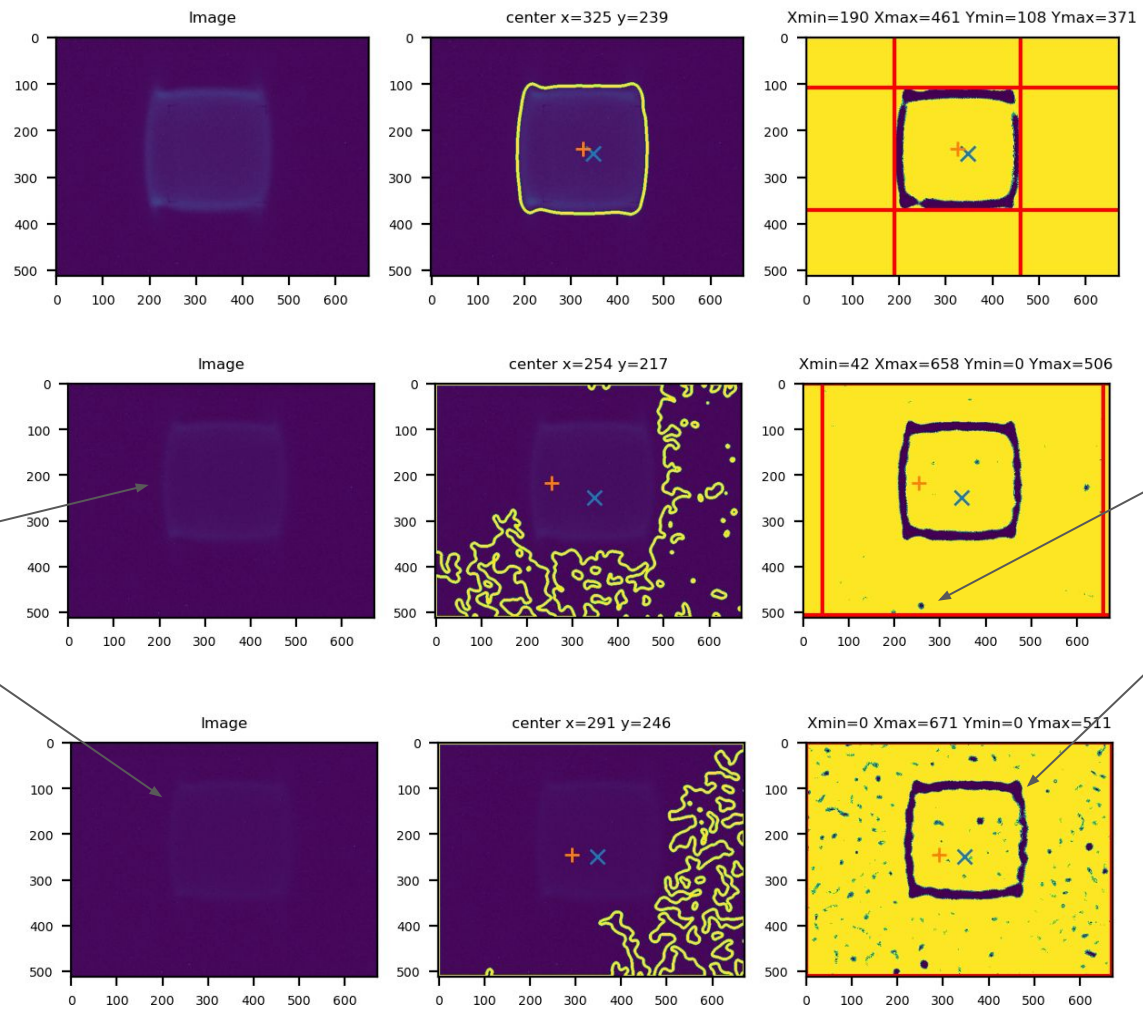
Future Work: A True Digital Twin Made By W. Lin





We thought we had good
offline test until we tied it live
(species, aperture, energy)

Camera Aperture Stop-Down Test

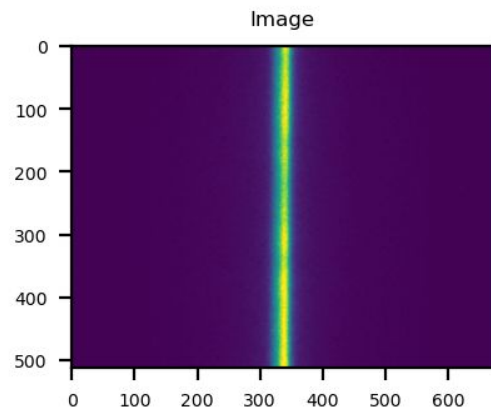
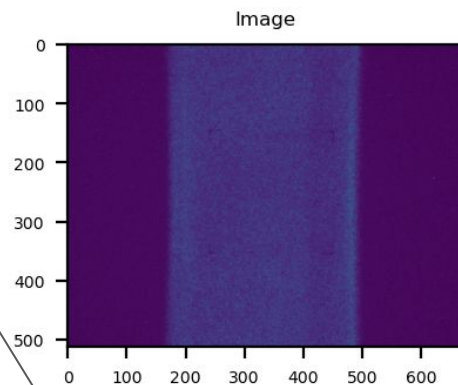
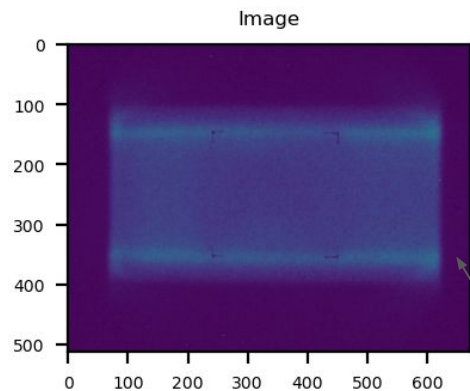


The human eye can still see the shape

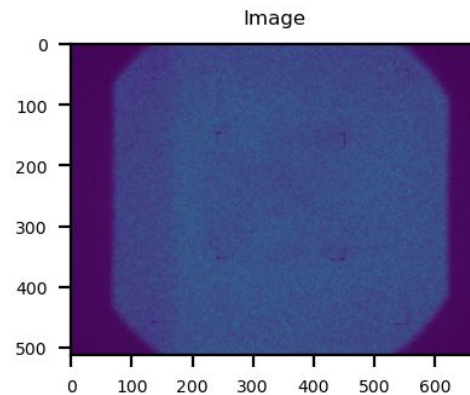
This is when we released just finding the right threshold was not going to cut it and we need to remove small islands of pixels.

If we had it to do over we would have used the Gaussian-Weighted neighbours threshold over Otsu's method for thresholding

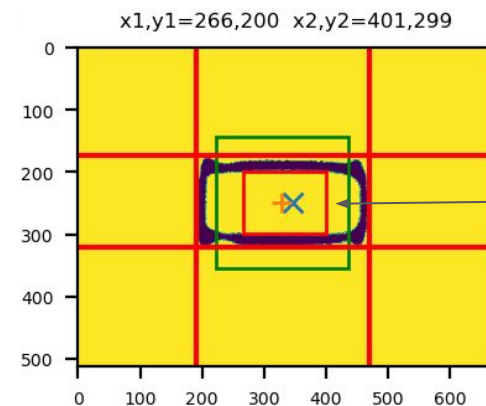
Too Much Travel



Object is the way, we
could have moved this



The whole beam pipe



Wrong box expansion

The Next Step ... A True Digital Twin ... By Lucy

