

Double Crystal Monochromator Control System for the Energy Materials In-Situ Laboratory Berlin

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Introduction





Challenges

- Complex beamline
- Experimental constructions
- >15 EPICS IOCs
- New motion control hardware
- Follow devices on-the-fly or predefined path
- Fast and precise positioning
- Low-level programming on motion controller
- Support of low-level features in higher level software
- Diagnostic tools needed by scientist and software engineers
- Device based framework and adaption to old monochromator control software



Motion Control Hardware





Software Stack



PLC Program	Motion Program		
if collision stop motors endif	SPLINE X Y Z X Y Z M33 == 1 X Y Z 		

- EPICS IOC
 - Database
 - C++ Model
 - Specific features can be added
- Clients: EMP2, SPEC, LISE, ... Evaluating: Bluesky, Phoebus
 - Display Manager
 - Collaborate, Share Code
 - Python/Jython
 - Reduce overall number of programming languages, tools.



EPICS Support

EPICS CA or DB Access





Filters for encoder positions



Figure : Exponential filter implementation for encoder readouts.

Types of filters implemented include:

- Exponential filter
- Moving average filter
- Spike detection



Algorithm for smooth on-fly velocity profile generation



- Trapezoidal shaped motion not sufficient
- High precision point-to-point moves
- Closed-loop moves
- Multidimensional path
- Jerk limited profile
- Motion profiles continuous in 2nd derivative (acceleration)
- On-the-fly generated path predictable at any point of the trajectory
- Possible triggers in sync with movements



Motion States





CR1/CR2 Controller

Target Position Maximum: Velocity, Jerk, Acceleration





Long Range Spline Moves

DCM

1 Axis closed-loopPID Vff+ Programmed velocityprofile

PGM Continuous mode





Closed Loop End Positioning

- Generate Spline
- Changing gain close to target
- Smooth approach
- In-position band No direction inversion
- No vibrations





TODO

- Predictable path
- Good results for full stop directly to end-position
- Mechanical errors and non-linearities
- Extend algorithm for fast closed-loop deceleration phase



Figure: Deceleration phase



Motion Program Logic (DCM)





Piezo motors for crystal parallelism



Figure: Ray diagram and degrees of freedom of piezo motor system

Crystal System							
Axis	Motor	Range					
Crystal translation	Stepper motor	70mm					
	Piezo motor	90 µm					
Crystal Pitch	Piezo motor	90 µm					
Crystal roll	Piezo motor	90 µm					

Table: Motors and their ranges

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	DAC		Amplifier -	Motor	-	Encoder	*

Figure : Open-loop system



Closed loop system

Requirements

- 1. Setpoints in micro radians
- 2. Pitch and roll positioning in closed loop
- 3. Stable and fast closed-loop control

 X_1 =distance between pitch and height encoders. X_2 =distance between roll and height encoders.







Results



Figure (a) A pi signal response of the measured system and estimated system

Figure (b) The closed-loop performance of the roll piezo motor



Diagnostic: Continuous Feedback



EPICS wf-records monitored by client software

Feedback module processes data

Poll task checks/reads data package

PLC code calculates and fills data package in user buffer





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