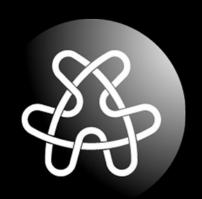
TANGO Device Servers in Libera instruments

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Libera instruments by platform

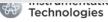






| Instrument | Brilliance, Brilliance Single Pass | Brilliance+, Single Pass E | Spark |
|---------------|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Op.system | Embedded Linux | Ubuntu | Xilinx Linux |
| Device server | Remote server* | Instrument or remote server | Instrument or remote server |
| Upper layer | CSPI | MCI | SCPI, MCI |
| Developed by | Elettra, ESRF, Soleil | I-Tech / MAX-IV | I-Tech / ESRF |

^{*} Also in the instrument at FERMI@Elettra



Libera BASE

- Many instruments, many people → control systems matrix → complex support
- Leverage development between different solutions
- Common building blocks (HW monitoring, data streams, FPGA artifacts)

| Platform / Controls | TANGO | EPICS | DOOCS/TINE | MATLAB | MADOCA | CUSTOM1 |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|------------|--------|--------|---------|
| Brilliance+, Single Pass E | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Spark | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |

Libera BASE benefits for I-Tech

- Easy start-up and control
- Rapid (software) prototyping
- Rapid application development
- Connecting the instrument with several Control Systems
- Overall system reliability assurance
- Cross-platform compatibility (x86, x86_64, Ubuntu, Scientific Linux, Xilinx Linux)

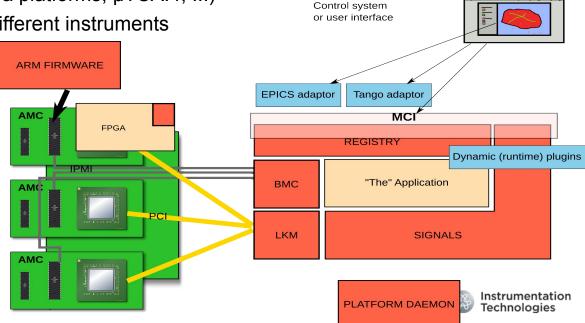
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Available in platforms B and C



Libera BASE connectivity

- Middle layer
- Hardware abstraction (Libera platforms, µTCA.4, ...)
- Common denominator for different instruments
- Development framework



Libera BASE interfaces

- I-reg registry structure (XML)
- Platform management based on IPMI
- MCI external API
 - List / dump all registry nodes
 - Info attributes
 - Get / Set value access
 - Listen notification
 - Acquire stream and data on demand

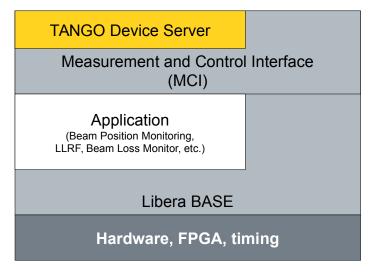
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// Get reference to the SA signal from the registry
irea::Node root = GetRoot():
ireq::Node sa_signal = root.GetNode({"boards", "raf", "signals", "sa"});
// Acquire the signal (1024 samples)
isig::SignalSharedPtr signal =
ireg::SignalNode::CreateRemoteSignal(sa_signal);
typedef isig::RemoteStream<isig::SignalTraitsVarInt16> SaStream; SaStream *strm = dynamic_cast<SaStream*>
(signal.get());
SaStream::Client cl(strm, "my-client");
SaStream::Buffer a(cl.NewBuffer(1024));
isig::SuccessCode ret = cl.Read(a);
// and dump the acquired signal
for(auto i = 0; i < a.GetLength(); i++) {
    for (size_t j = 0; j < a[i].GetComponents(); ++j)
       std::cout << setw(11) << a[i][j] << " ";
    std::cout << std::endl:
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Libera BASE benefits for users

- Same upper layer software interface (MCI)
- Generic TANGO DS code for applicationspecific instruments
- Network transparent

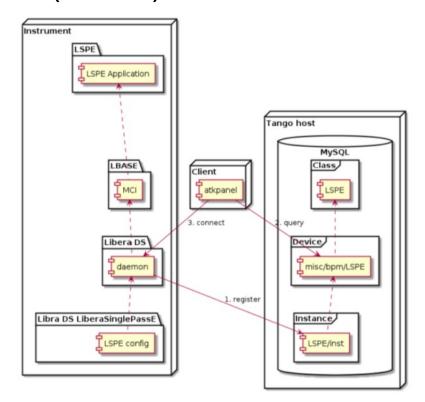
Libera instrument





TANGO Device Server architecture (I-Tech)

- Device Server connects to Libera application via MCI layer (inside the Instrument)
- Device Server registers to Database (TANGO host, right side) and accepts client connections
- 3) Configuration (attributes) is loaded from text files

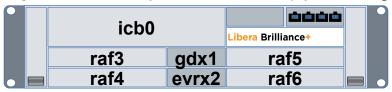


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Configuration

Specified in text files, two levels: top / sub-tree

top: includes the path to modules (bpm, timing, gdx)



root@libera:~# cat /var/opt/libera/cfg/tango/ds-top
app-ebpm application. App
board-gdx boards.gdx1. Gdx
board-evrx boards.evrx2. Evrx
board-raf \$INSTANCE Bpm

sub-tree: includes the relative path to parameters/signals

```
root@libera:~# cat /var/opt/libera/cfg/tango/board-raf
info.revision InfoRevision 34 3 1
info.customer InfoCustomer 34 8 1
info.health_status InfoHealth_status 34 3 1
.
.
.
.
signals.sa SignalsSaEnable -1 6 16
signals.sa SignalsSaVa 1026 6 16
signals.sa SignalsSaVb 1026 6 16
```



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Attributes

APPLICATION SPECIFIC ATTRIBUTES

- app-ebpm
- board-evrx
- board-raf
- board-gdx

PLATFORM SPECIFIC ATTRIBUTES

- pm-evrx
- pm-fans
- pm-icb
- pm-os
- pm-raf

MCI flavors (to TANGO)

- single or array value nodes (parameters)
- streamed data or data on demand signal nodes (data)
- executable nodes



Conclusion

- TANGO Device Server is available for all Platform B Libera instruments (e.g. Libera Brilliance+, Single Pass E, etc.) from early 2015
- Same code will be reused for platform C instruments (Spark, Beam Loss Monitor, Digitizer, Photon, etc.)
- Tested with ATK, PyTango
- User-friendly Graphical User Interface still has to be developed (Qt?)

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