

fundamental commands

Starting a BLISS session

Pandora's box

In a terminal: `.blissenv [-d]`
`bliss -s <session_name>`
`bliss -h` :help about bliss command

To **detach** from a session: `ctrl-b d`

To **exit** from a BLISS session: `exit`  or `Ctrl-d`

Counters

Counters and Measurement Groups (MG)

`lscnt()`: print list of all counters
`lsmg()`: print list of all measurement groups
`ACTIVE_MG`: info about the current measurement group
Measurement groups are created in config file.
`edit_mg()`: open dialog box to edit meas. group
`myMG.set_active()`: define `myMG` as default M.G.
`ct(0.2, i0diode)`: count for 0.2 second using
i0diode counter

Axis

`wa()`: display positions (user & dial) of all motors
`wm(mot1,...motN)`: display positions and limits
for specified motors
`mv/move(m1, 2.0)`: move motor "m1" to 2.0
`umv(mot1,8)`: move + display position during move
`umvr(mot1, 0.1)`: idem with a move of 0.1 unit
relative to current position

`m1.position=3.4`: set user position (\Rightarrow chg. offset)
`m1.velocity=1.5`: set velocity (uu/s)
`m1.acceleration=5.0`: set acceleration (uu/s²)
`m1.offset`: \neq between *dial* and *position*
`m1.backlash`: (RO)
`m1.dial=10.0`: set *dial* position (\Rightarrow change user pos.)
`m1.limits=(-10,10)`: set low/high limit to -10, 10
`m1.sign`: direction of the movement relative to dial
`m1.tolerance`: (RO) *properties in italic are Read-Only*
`m1.unit`: (RO)
`m1.encoder`: (RO) `m1.steps_per_unit`
`m1.state`: (RO) `position=(sign*dial)+offset`

Standard scans

Common step by step scans


`ascan(motor, start, stop, intervals, count_time, *cnt_args)`
Perform a step scan from <start> to <stop>
counting <intervals> times <count_time> seconds
using the given counters or Measurement groups.
`a2scan()..a5scan()`: scans with 2..5 movements
`anscan()`: scan with an arbitrary number of motors
`dscan()..d5scan()`: scans relative to the current pos.
`dnscan()`: relative scan with arbitrary nb. of motors

`amesh(mot1, start1, stop1, interv1, mot2, start2, stop2, interv2, count_time, *counters)`
Absolute 2D scan on a regular grid
`dmesh()`: relative 2D scan

`lineup(...)`: same as `dscan` then goes to max
`timescan(ctime, *cnt_args)`: endless counts
count <npoints> times
`loopscan(npoints, ctime, *cnt_args)`
count <npoints> times
`pointscan(mot, pos_list, ctime)`
scans over a positions list
`lookupscan([(m1, <pos_list1>)...], ctime)`
scan over a variable number of motors and positions.

SCAN_SAVING

Data Saving and DATA POLICY

`SCAN_SAVING` : display saving parameters
`newproposal("mr1234")`: define a new proposal
`newsample("kryptonite")`: define new sample
`newdataset("Zn_inclusion")`: define new dataset


Shutters

Safety shutters and front-end

`bsh1.close()`: close shutter bsh1
`fe.open()`: open front-end
`fe.mode="AUTOMATIC" / "MANUAL"`
set front-end in automatic or manual opening mode

Help

Message in a bottle

`help(command)`: print help about <command>
`last_error()`: details about last error occurred
`last_error(-2)`: details about previous error occurred
`prdef(function)`: print the code and location
of a function.
BLISS objects have a "in-shell info" feature:
typing its name +  print details about it.
`lsobj("*diod*")`: list all session's objects
with "diod" in their name

Shell functions

F3: enter *history mode*
in history mode: `space` to select,
`ctrl-o`: once to validate, second time to execute
F2: ptypython configuration (colors etc.)
F4: switch shortcut mode
F5: switch to/from scan view
F6: paste mode
F7: typing helper (de)activation
F8: logbook on/off
`ctrl-r as`: search for commands starting
by "as" in history

Scan inspection

`cen()/goto_cen()`: display middle of fwhm and fwhm /
move scanned motor to this position
`peak()/goto_peak()`: idem for max
`com()/goto_com()`: idem for center of mass
`SCANS[-1]`: the previous scan
`SCANS[-N]`: the Nth previous scan
`SCANS[-1].get_data()`: data of the previous scan

Plotting with FLINT

scan data display

`plotselect(diode1)`: select diode1 for plotting
`SCAN_DISPLAY`: object to configure plotting
`SCAN_DISPLAY.auto=False`: disable plotting