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Lawrence Livermore is a Nuclear Weapon Physics and Engineering Laboratory

Livermore, California (45 miles east of San Francisco)



Site 300 Experimental Test and HE Operations (11 miles², 15 miles east of LLNL)



- Established in 1952
- ~7,300 employees (ST&E: 47% Ph.D.)
- 7.1 million SF, 684 facilities
- Annual federal budget: ~\$1.6B (63% stockpile stewardship)

LLNL's core mission is nuclear security

Stockpile Stewardship is Cradle to Grave

Stockpile Stewardship is an integrated, multi-disciplinary program to ensure the nuclear deterrent without nuclear testing

"You can imagine that if you had car [25-30 years] old, you'd probably want to get a new one, but you can't ... You've got to sustain that car — by the way, you aren't allowed to start it to see if it works, you're not allowed to test it — but it has to work with 100% reliability when you do — God forbid — ever have to start it."

...Bruce Goodwin, former Principal Associate Director, LLNL

Design and Manufacturing

Ability to design and manufacture weapons, dismantle weapons, and store components

Surveillance

Ability to accurately determine the state of health of the stockpile

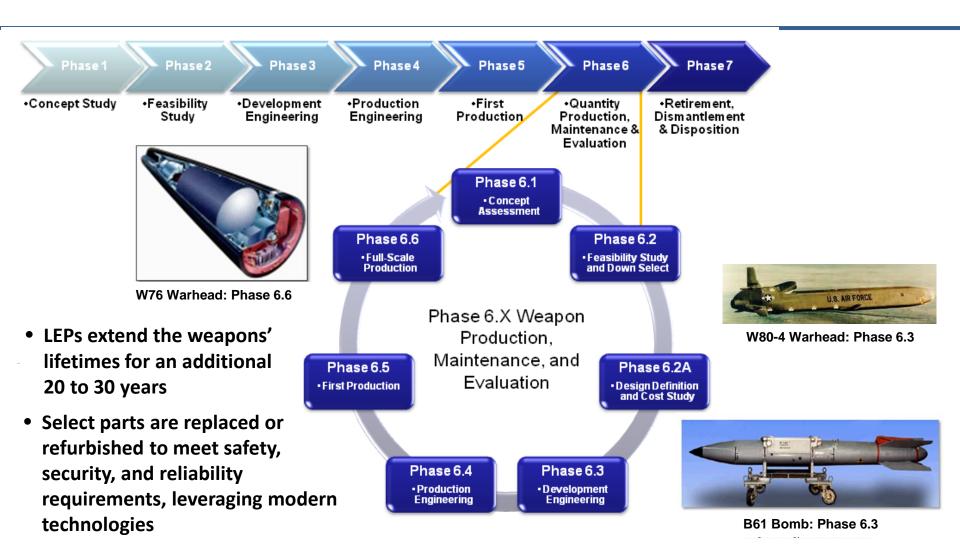
Assessment and Certification

Ability to quantify with confidence the safety, reliability and effectiveness of the stockpile

The Stockpile Stewardship Program has successfully maintained the nuclear deterrent without nuclear testing since 1992



Current focus is on Life Extension Programs (LEPs)



LEPs generate petabytes of data

- Tests conducted during an LEP may cost millions of dollars to execute, so we should treat the resultant data as a million dollar asset
 - Test data from previous LEPs was stored across many different file systems, each controlled by various groups and individuals with their own data management protocols and priorities
 - Much of the data collected was lost or made useless due to hardware/technology obsolescence, personnel changes, or lack of context





Why is this so hard?

• An LEP generates large volumes of data from multiple sources and in many formats:

- Full system engineering tests
- Material tests
- Flight tests
- Component level tests
- Datasets are unpredictable, and highly variable
- Contextual information about the data is just as important as the data itself
- If post-processing is performed, the results must be captured and associated with the raw data
- Individual files can be multi-terabyte in size



Many options were explored – without success

Document management system

Limitations

- Data sets are extremely large and can quickly take up terabytes of space
- Data sets have unique storage needs to help facilitate interpretation and analysis

Fileshare

Limitations

- Can not easily associate context or metadata
- Downstream search and discovery of data is extremely limited
- Folder structures can be difficult to manage with multiple layers of folders

Relational database

Limitations

- Lack of predictable, heterogeneous data sets drives continuous schema changes
- Requires coupling to a datastore to accommodate large files



So, why MarkLogic?

- Requirements were collected back in 2003 and a prototype web application was created
- With only a one person team and cultural hurdles to overcome, it was never productized – but the concept was well received

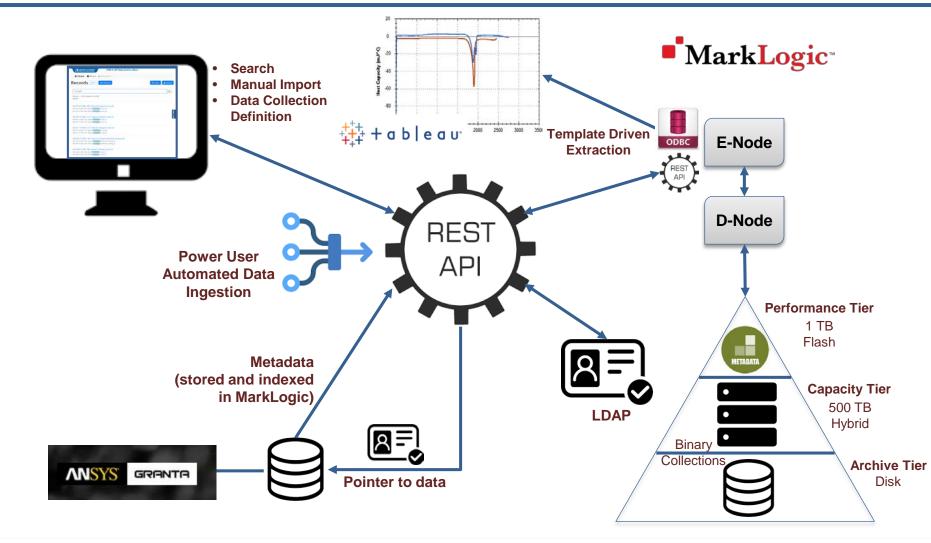


2003, Web-Based Prototype

MarkLogic was the first tool that met all of the original 2003 requirements and fully aligned with my vision. It also offers expanded functionality through modern technologies and a flexible framework.



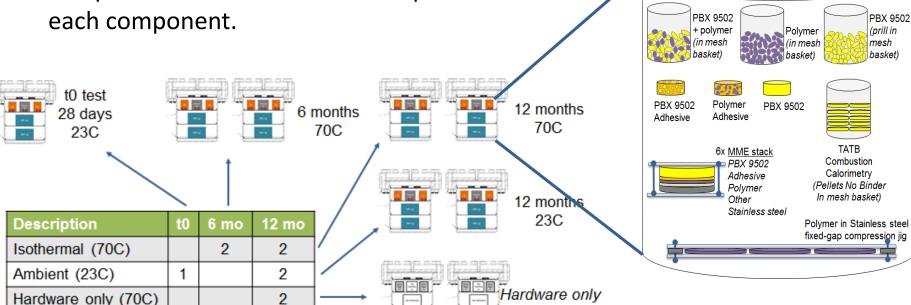
Deploying a robust and flexible architecture



Case study: Multi-material experiments

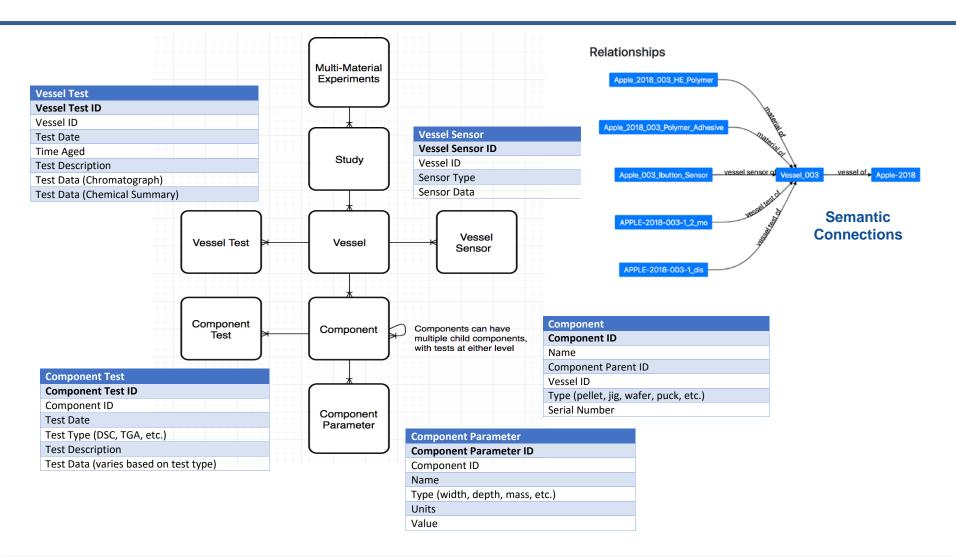
• **Summary:** Various explosives, polymers, adhesives, etc. are placed in a vessel and then heated over a period of time to simulate aging. At different time intervals, gas is sampled from all of the vessels, and a subset of the vessels are

disassembled and separated into their individual components. Additional tests are performed on

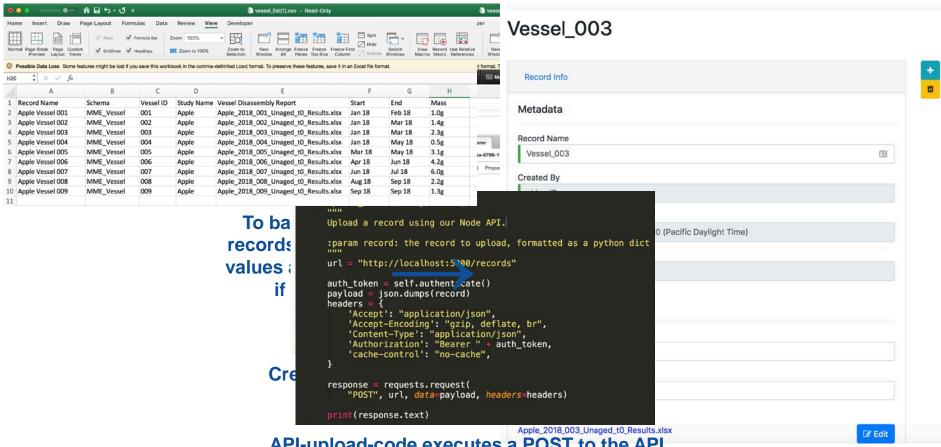


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Relational view implemented using MarkLogic's multi-model and semantic triples



Metadata and data relationships can be uploaded in batch

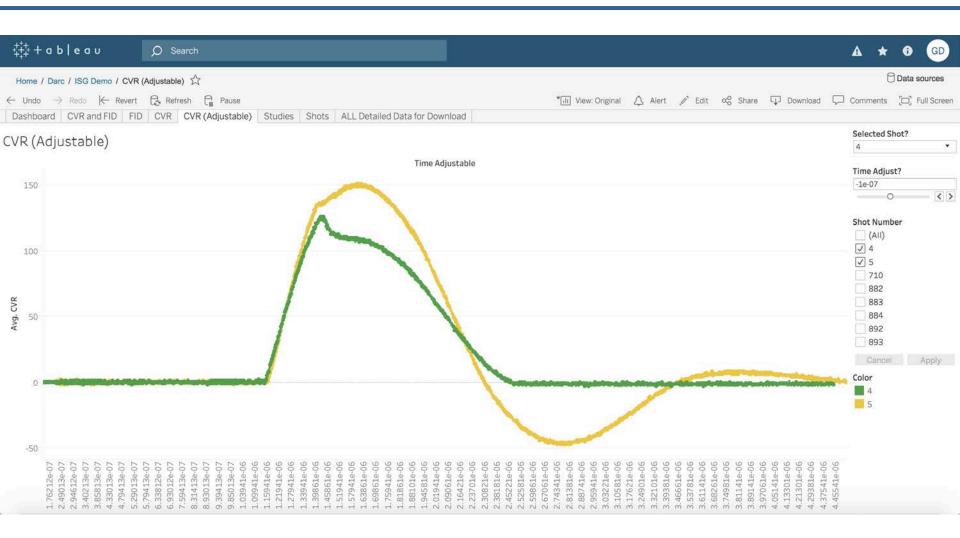


API-upload-code executes a POST to the API.

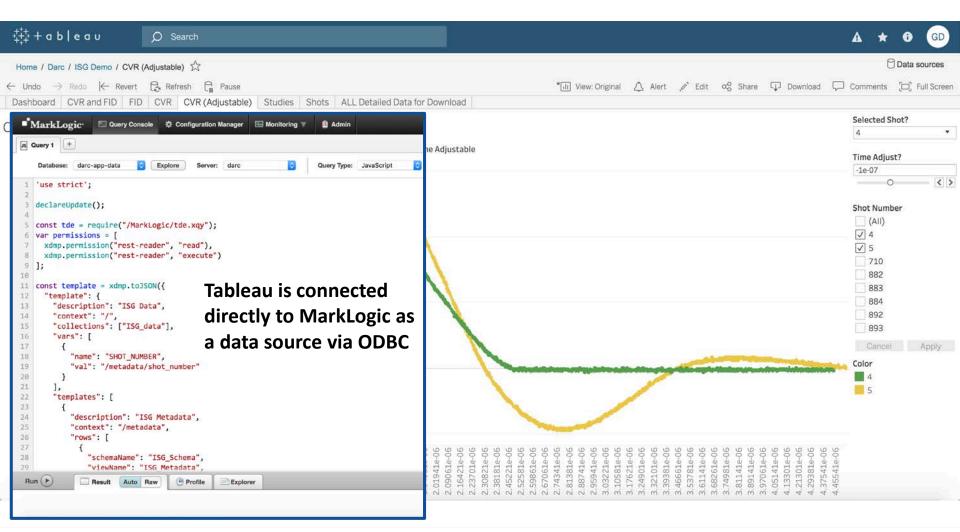
Standard python code is used to a used to used to a used docs into JSON for MarkLyiqued through the front end UI (with link to related Excel report)



Connecting Tableau to MarkLogic provides an instant UI with faceting and filters



MarkLogic's Query Console enables Template Driven Extraction



In Summary

- Although we are still maturing some of these concepts, we are extremely excited about the potential
- We will continue to expand the framework using the MarkLogic
 Data Hub to create a single portal into our LEP data

Anxious to come back next year to share our progress!!

