W.R.A.P. Project Overview

BE Seminar

Motivation: GUI Strategy within ATS

Every application suffers from 2 potential risks:

- Breaking
 - Hardware changes (evolution / renovation)
 - Incompatible execution environment
- Difficult (if not impossible) to maintain & extend
 - Dependencies unmaintained
 - Hiring experts of older frameworks difficult

Result:

- Impact on beam time.
- Cannot adapt to changing needs and op requirements. Decreased efficiency

Solution: Streamline development and evolution of GUIs, anticipate problems

Types of applications & users

<u>Equipment experts</u> need **specific applications** to configure, control, maintain, tune visualize, diagnose, and monitor equipment.

<u>Operation crews</u> need **use-case-driven applications** to operate, optimise, and supervise accelerators and <u>automate</u> repetitive tasks.

However:

<u>OP</u> also needs to diagnose, and monitor equipment. CCM contains some applications not developed for them. Usability suffers.

System specific applications, by equipment groups, can target <u>OP</u>.

GUI development offering

The GUI strategy comes together with a GUI Development Offering. Key aims:

- Keep under control the potentially huge expense due to obsolete technologies that would require rewrite of the applications
- Reduce the cost of GUI developments in the long run, for both creation and maintenance of applications

Several coherent solutions:

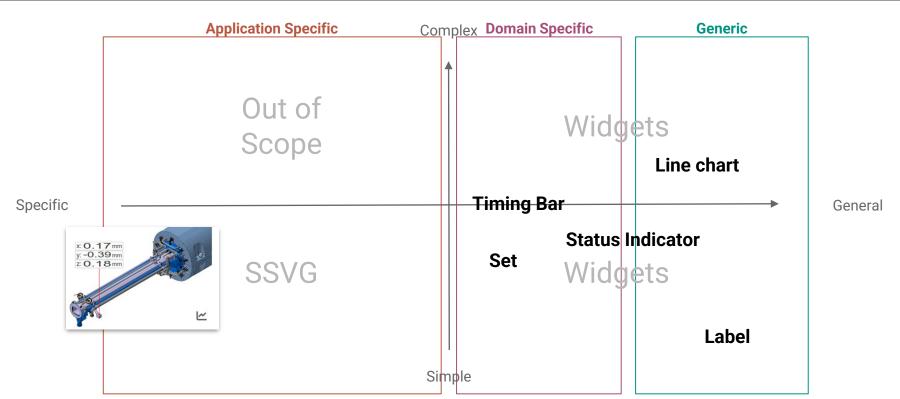
- 2 no-code application platforms: WRAP (low-code tbd) & NavPy
- 2 application frameworks:
 - Accsoft-Commons-Web (ACW) with Angular
 - PyUI with PyQt and the Acc-Py distribution

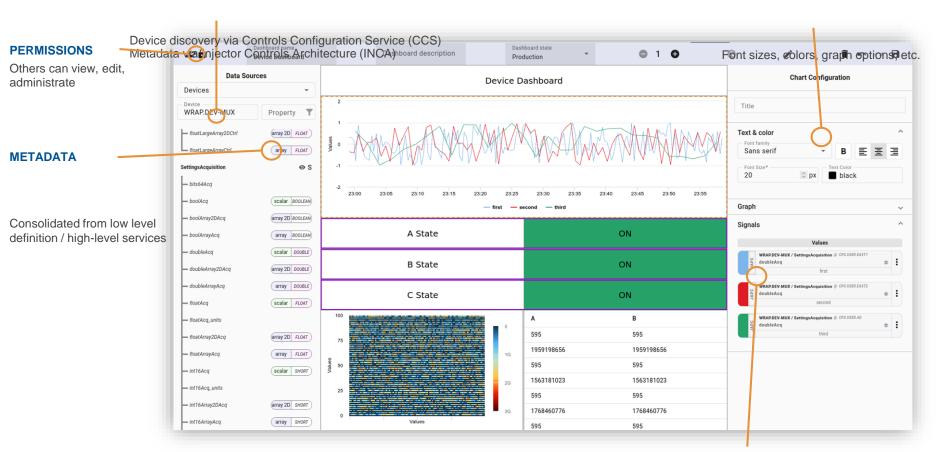
What is WRAP?

WRAP is a web-based rapid (GUI) application development platform (WRAP)

- Reduce cost of developing new GUIs for the control system
 - Low/no-code app development
 - Abstract control system complexities (NXCALS, InCA, JAPC, CMW, etc.)
- Guarantee **low maintenance** cost for created GUIs (technology evolution hidden by the platform)
- Cater for operational and expert application needs
 - equipment centric & operation centric applications

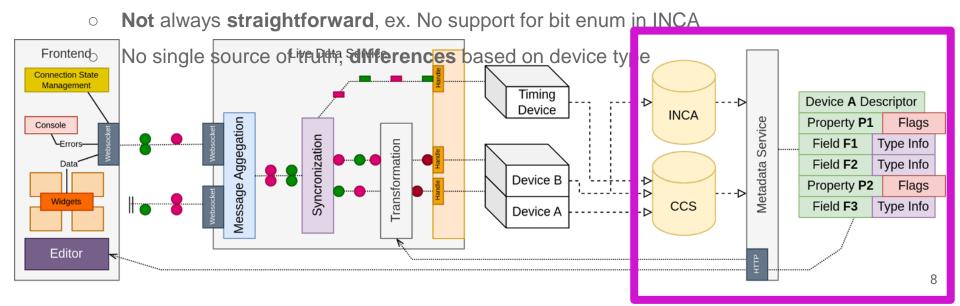
Project Scope





Data Model

Metadata must be reconstructed from multiple services (CCS, INCA, NXCALS)



Static Metadata Integration

- Widget is partly **preconfigured** with metadata
- Metadata changes, the configuration updates on dashboard load
- Fields that can be derived from metadata, can always also be explicitly set

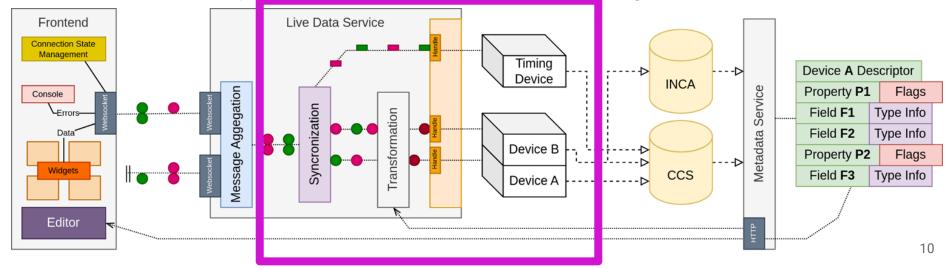




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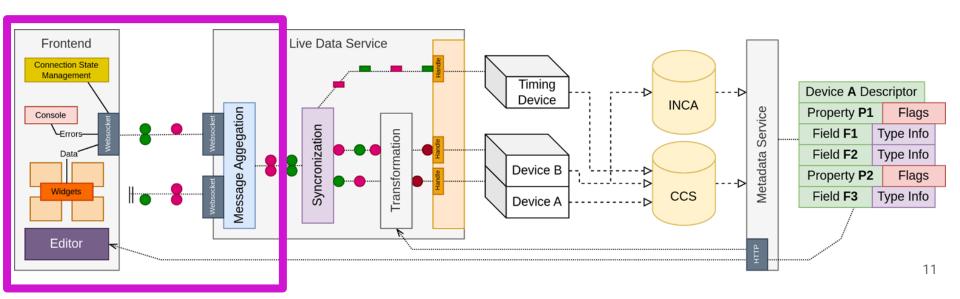
• Data has to be **synchronized**, to guarantee coherency of updates

Publish once per selector, explicit empty values for messages that are late / lost.



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• Message **aggregation** through **websocket**, to make the data available



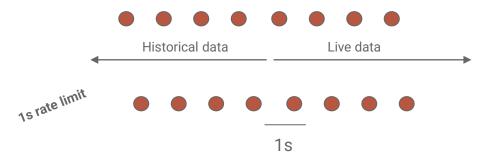
Note: Combining Data

Goal: Plot a parameter for the last N minutes, update based on live data.

Internally → Get last N minutes from NXCALS, subscribe to device property

Problem:

- There may exist **none or multiple variables** tracking this data.
- A filter might be set leading to information loss.



Widgets - Visualization

	Data Type	Scalar	1D Array	2D Array
Status Indicator	Any	Yes	Sliced	Sliced
Progress Bar	Numeric	Yes	Sliced	Sliced
Bit Enum	Bit enum	Yes	Sliced	Sliced
Chart	Numeric	Yes (with history)	Sliced	Sliced
Array Chart	Numeric		Yes	Sliced
Heatmap	Numeric		Yes (with history)	Sliced
Waterfall	Numeric			Yes
Data Grid	Any	Yes (multiple, optionally sliced)		Yes (optionally sliced)
SSVG	Dynamic	Yes	No	No
Timing Bar	None			
Label	None			
Date Time	None			

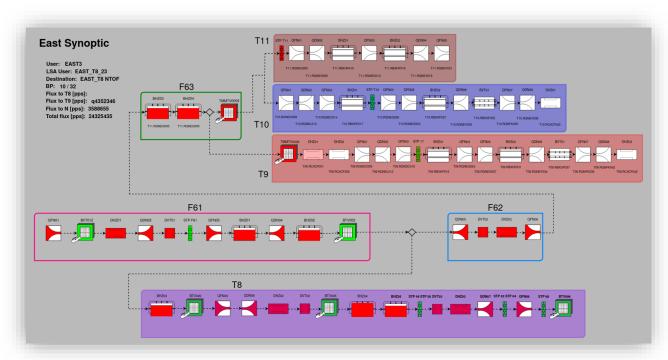
Extensibility: Custom visualizations

Stateful Scalable Vector Graphics (SSVG) files can be created by embedding metadata

on regular SVG files.

A static image file turns into a dynamic **custom widget**.

Data acquisition options can be applied like any native widget.



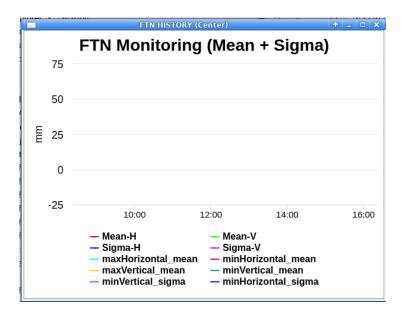
Widgets - Control

	Data Type	Scalar	1D Array	2D Array
Input	Number/String	Yes	Sliced	Sliced
Wheel Switch	Number	Yes	Sliced	Sliced
Combo Box	Enum	Yes	Sliced	Sliced
Toggle Group	Enum	Yes	Sliced	Sliced
Check Box	Boolean	Yes	Yes	Sliced
Bit Enum Set	Bit enum	Yes	Sliced	Sliced
Grid Set (tba)	Any	Yes (multiple, optionally sliced)		Yes (optionally sliced)
Button	Trigger			

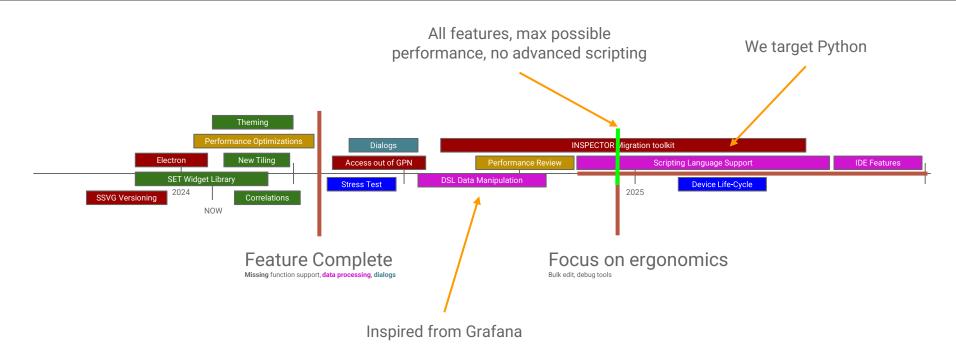
CCM Integration at CCC

WRAP is provided as a **standalone application**, packaged with electron.

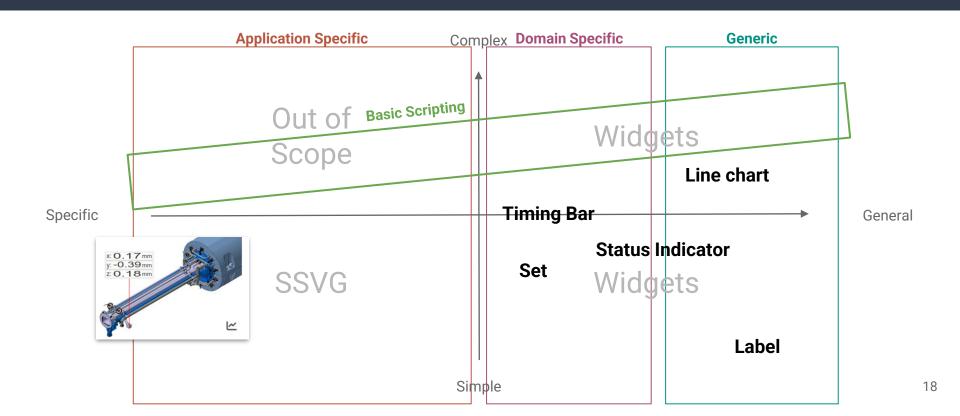
- No dependency on client's web browser
- Native application look & feel
- Accessible through nfs: /acc/java/data/app/wrap/



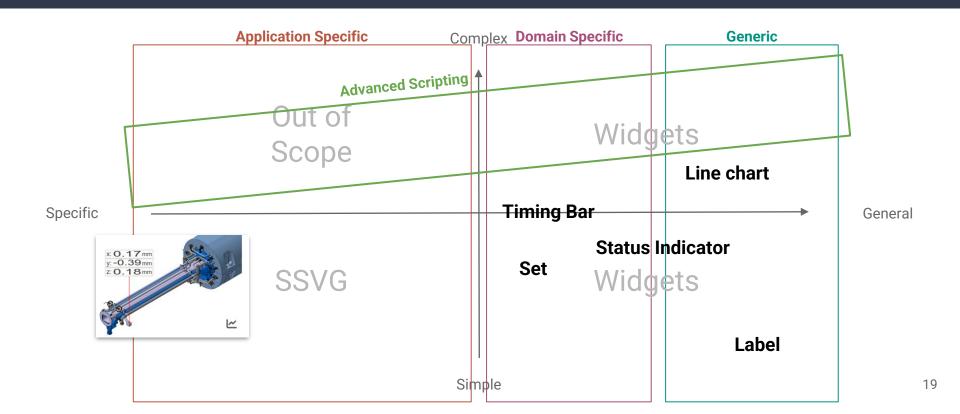
Roadmap



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Closing Notes

Release notes: https://wikis.cern.ch/display/CD/W.R.A.P.-2023.4.0

Electron version info: https://wikis.cern.ch/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=252773401

You can join 4 https://mattermost.web.cern.ch/gui/channels/wrap for:

- → Additional documentation announcements
- → Patch release announcements
- → Questions about general functionality