



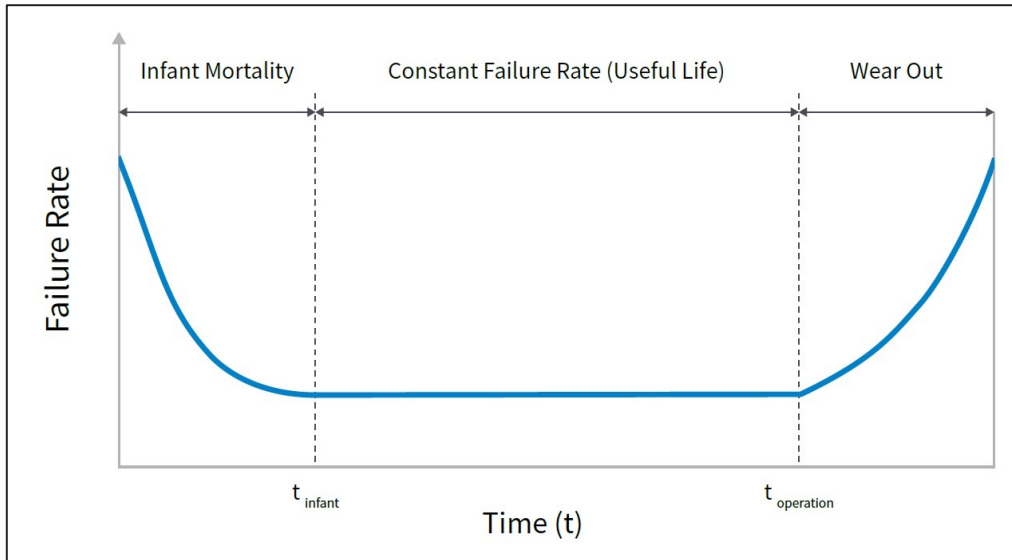
VFE Burn-in Setup Software

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Overview



- Context
- Services
- GUI features
- Documentation



- Many electronics follow a standard life cycle
- Running cards at 70°C for 1 week simulates 1 year of normal operation (accelerated aging)
- Goals:
 - Age VFE cards past the point of infant mortality before installation
 - Age many cards at once, so we can keep up with production

Hardware



- 3 burn-in racks, each with
 - 4 boxes
 - 45 VFE cards
 - Temperature sensors
 - Fans
 - 2 power supplies (2 boxes per PS)
- 1 control rack
 - PLC safety system
 - Control server running custom software

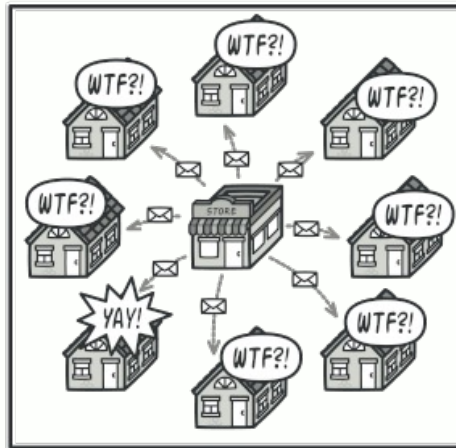
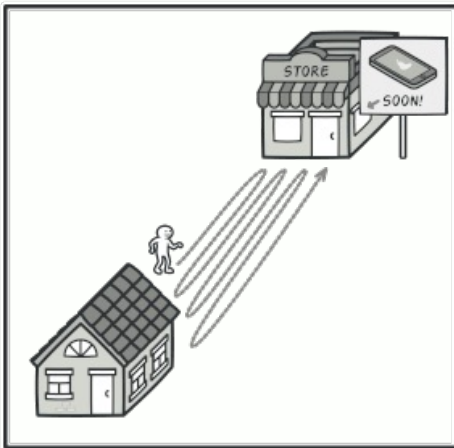


- Each responsible for one aspect of the setup
- May manage drivers to interface with physical devices
- Can establish connections to other services
- Built using RPyC library

Observables/Observers



- Services or clients (observers) can register to be notified by another service (observable)
- Eliminates the need for polling services
- Only those who need the data receive it



Before

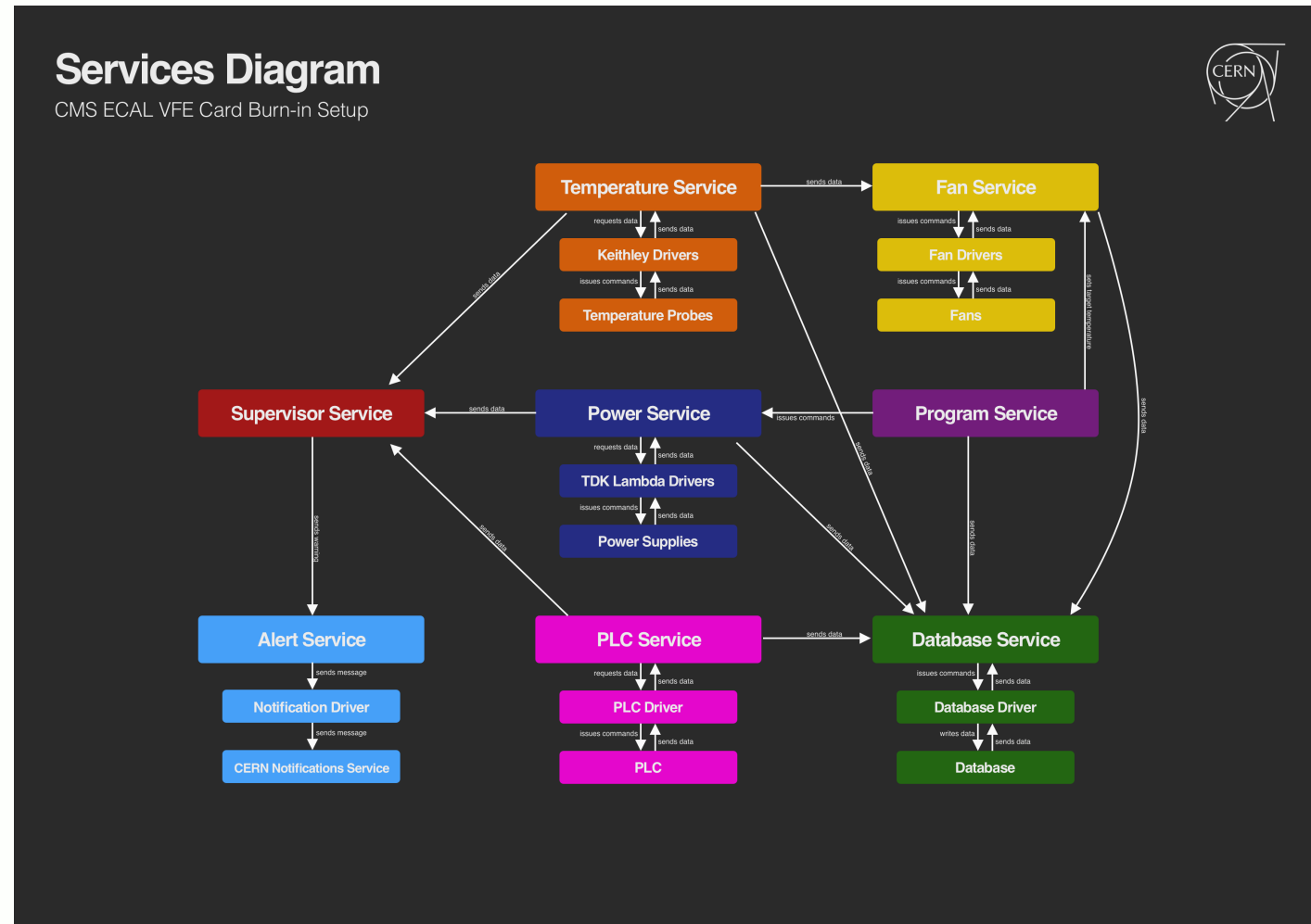


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Service Relationships



- Almost all services are observable
- Services measure data regardless if it is used
- Device-specific tasks are delegated to drivers
- All services are multithreaded to optimize performance



Temperature Service



- Observable for temperature data updates
- Uses driver to collect temperature data from EBKeithley devices
- Collects temperature data every 30 seconds
- If the device cannot connect:
 - Broadcasts an empty event to observers
 - Attempts to reconnect again in 5 seconds instead of 30 seconds

- Observable for power data updates
- Uses driver to collect power data (voltage, current, interlock status) from TDK Lambda power supplies
- Collects power data every 30 seconds
- Just like the temperature service, if the device cannot connect:
 - Broadcasts an empty event to observers
 - Attempts to reconnect again in 5 seconds instead of 30 seconds
- Provides methods for turning power supplies on/off

Fan Service



- Observable for fan speed updates
- Connects to the temperature service to receive temperature updates
- Stores a target temperature range to maintain
- Utilizes a “fan strategy” which defines how to respond to a new temperature reading

Fan Service



- When a temperature is received:
 - Checks the current fan speed for each box
 - Asks the strategy for a new fan speed, given the current temperature and fan speed of each box
 - Records the new fan speed
 - Sends new fan speed to fan drivers to update the devices accordingly
- Driver still needs to be implemented

Program Service



- Provides interface for running automatic procedures on boxes
- Manages each program running on the setup, preventing multiple programs from running on the same box
- Observable for program status updates

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program:
  name: 'Program 1'
  run-on:
    - [true, true, false, false] # Rack 1
    - [true, true, false, false] # Rack 2
    - [false, false, false, false] # Rack 3
  steps:
    - type: 'TARGET_TEMP'
      min: 50
      max: 55
    - type: 'REPEAT'
      times: 30
      steps:
        - type: 'WAIT'
          seconds: 60
        - type: 'TURN_ON'
        - type: 'WAIT'
          seconds: 60
        - type: 'TURN_OFF'
    - type: 'WAIT'
      seconds: 15
    - type: 'TARGET_TEMP'
      min: 30
      max: 35
    - type: 'REPEAT'
      times: 10
      steps:
        - type: 'WAIT'
          seconds: 15
        - type: 'TURN_ON'
        - type: 'WAIT'
          seconds: 15
        - type: 'TURN_OFF'
```

- Automatically controls power and temperature
- Defined by a dynamic schema including:
 - Power on/off
 - Wait
 - Set target temperature
 - Repeat
- Multiple programs can run simultaneously

- Interfaces with PLC safety system
- Observable for PLC status updates
 - Box temperature readings (separate from EBKeithley devices)
 - Box sensor statuses
 - Power supply interlock statuses
- Partially implemented by Pedja (thanks!)

Database Service



- Will record data from the setup in an SQL database
- Will observe all data-taking services, such as temperature, power, PLC, fan, etc.
- Not yet implemented

Alert Service



- Allows services to send push notifications to individuals
- Utilizes the CERN Notifications Service
- Users/groups can choose how often they are notified and by what means (email, SMS, etc.)

Supervisor Service



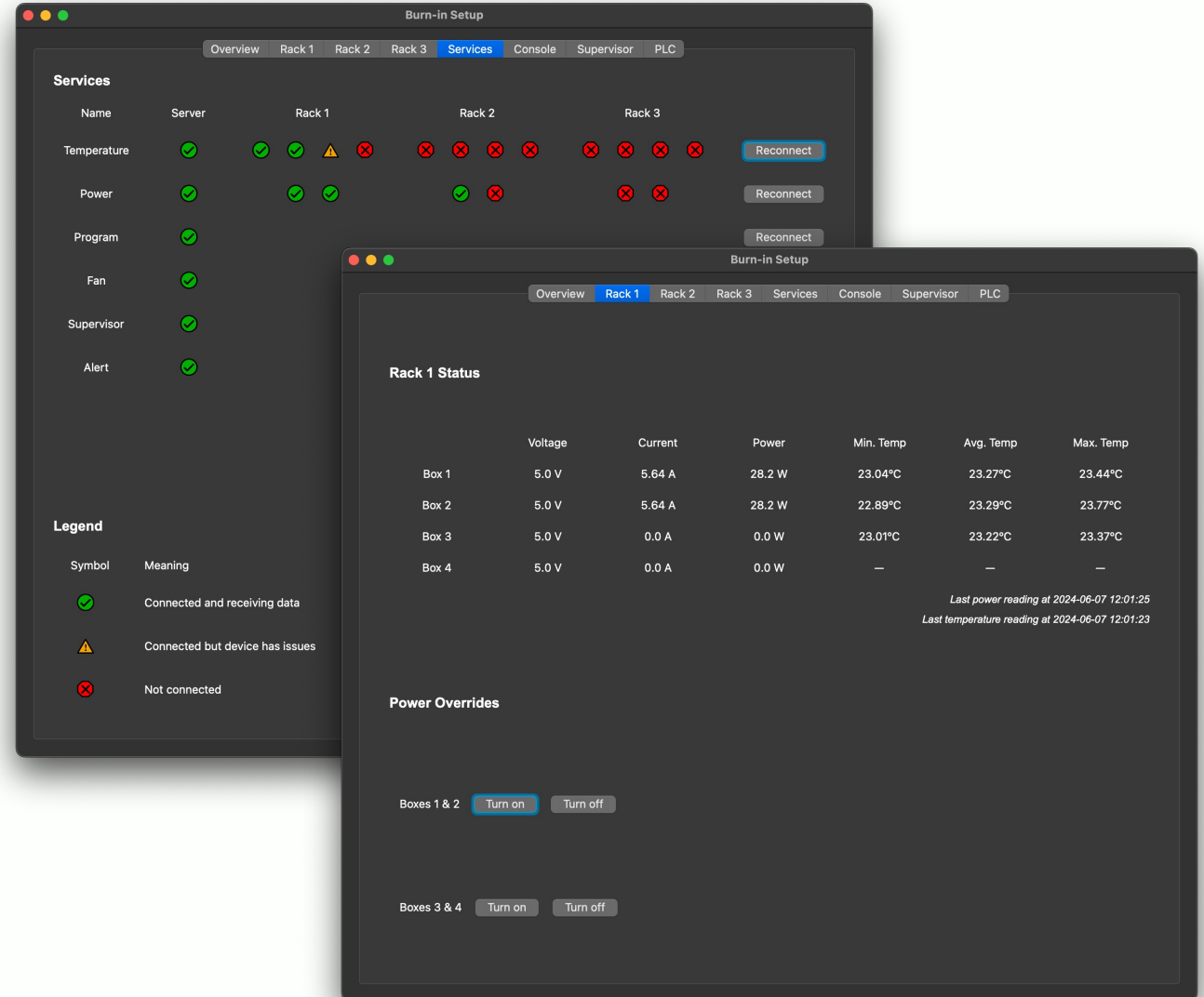
- Required for all other services to run
- Observes the temperature, power, and PLC services
- If it detects any anomaly (ex. temperature too high), will turn off all power supplies and alert users
- Polls temperature and power services to ensure they are still running properly

- Used to start services in the correct order (based on their dependencies)
- Runs each service in a separate process
- Monitors services to detect if they stop running
- If a service is found to be stopped:
 - Kills the process
 - Restarts that service
 - Restarts all services which depend on that service

Graphical User Interface (GUI)



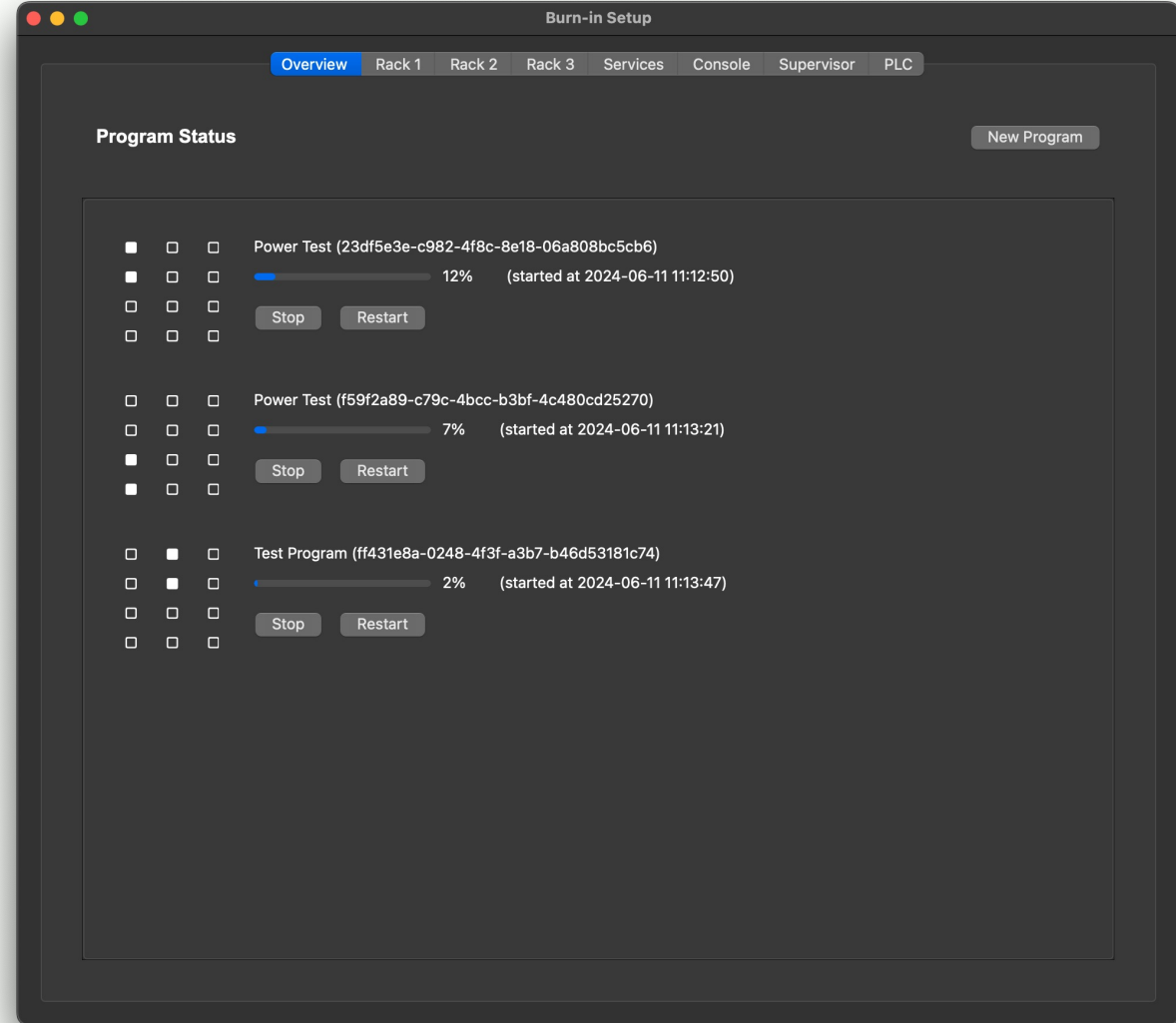
- Goals:
 - Provide necessary information at-a-glance
 - Allow emergency actions
 - Begin and monitor programs
- Connects to all services
- Built using PyQt 6 library



Overview Tab



- Displays any active programs
 - Active boxes
 - Program name
 - Progress bar/percent
 - Stop/restart actions
- Ability to start new programs from a file



Rack Tabs



- Shows current temperature and power of each box
- Includes timestamps for when data was measured
- Provides overrides for turning power supplies on/off

The screenshot displays a web interface titled "Burn-in Setup" with a navigation menu at the top containing "Overview", "Rack 1", "Rack 2", "Rack 3", "Services", "Console", "Supervisor", and "PLC". The "Rack 1 Status" section contains a table with the following data:

	Voltage	Current	Power	Min. Temp	Avg. Temp	Max. Temp
Box 1	5.0 V	5.64 A	28.2 W	23.04°C	23.27°C	23.44°C
Box 2	5.0 V	5.64 A	28.2 W	22.89°C	23.29°C	23.77°C
Box 3	5.0 V	0.0 A	0.0 W	23.01°C	23.22°C	23.37°C
Box 4	5.0 V	0.0 A	0.0 W	—	—	—

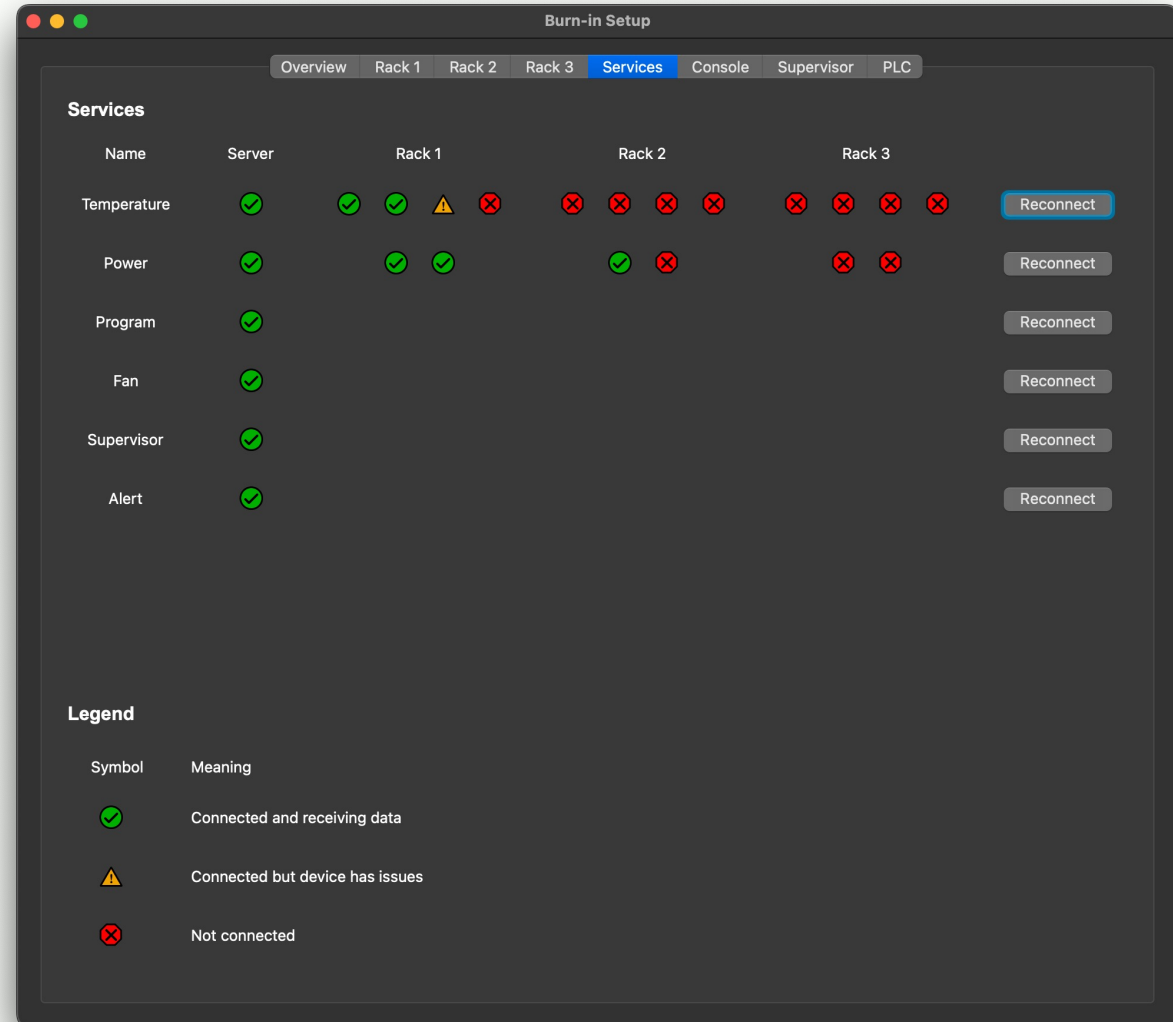
Below the table, two timestamps are displayed: "Last power reading at 2024-06-07 12:01:25" and "Last temperature reading at 2024-06-07 12:01:23".

The "Power Overrides" section features two sets of buttons: "Boxes 1 & 2" with "Turn on" (highlighted) and "Turn off" buttons, and "Boxes 3 & 4" with "Turn on" and "Turn off" buttons.

Services Tab



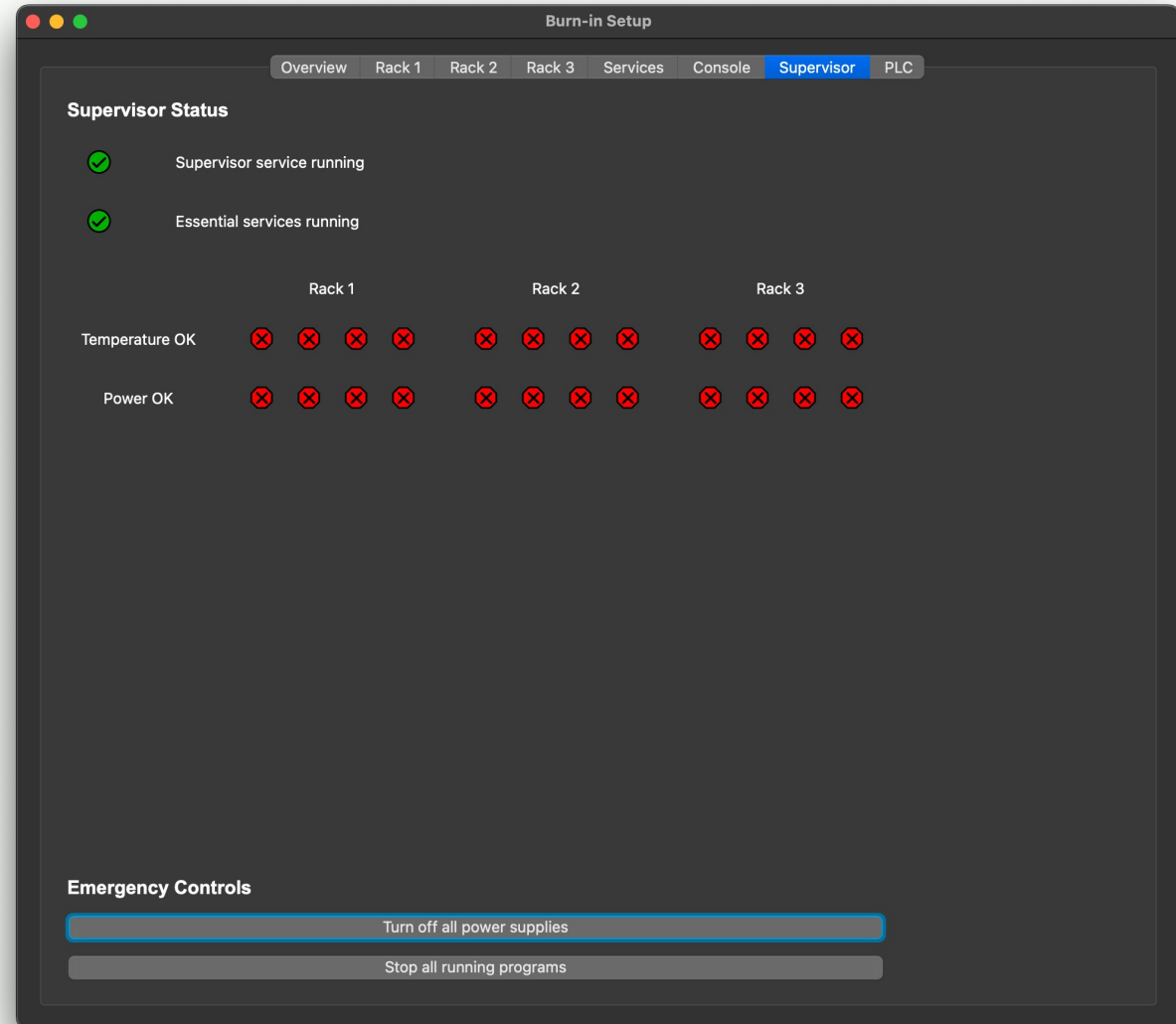
- Displays whether services are connected to the GUI
- Can display device information
- Ability to reconnect, if a service is restarted after the GUI starts



Supervisor Tab



- Shows status of the supervisor service
- Displays whether temperature and power measurements are within a safe range
- Provides emergency options
 - Turn off all power supplies
 - Stop all running programs



PLC Tab



- Not yet connected to PLC service
- Will show PLC status
 - Box temperatures
 - Sensor statuses
 - Interlock statuses
- Ability to acknowledge interlocks

The screenshot shows a software interface titled "Burn-in Setup" with a navigation bar containing "Overview", "Rack 1", "Rack 2", "Rack 3", "Services", "Console", "Supervisor", and "PLC". The "PLC" tab is active. The interface is divided into three main sections: "PLC Status", "Sensor Statuses", and "Interlocks".

PLC Status

	Box 1	Box 2	Box 3	Box 4
Rack 1	—	—	—	—
Rack 2	—	—	—	—
Rack 3	—	—	—	—

Sensor Statuses

	Box 1	Box 2	Box 3	Box 4
Rack 1	⊗ ⊗	⊗ ⊗	⊗ ⊗	⊗ ⊗
Rack 2	⊗ ⊗	⊗ ⊗	⊗ ⊗	⊗ ⊗
Rack 3	⊗ ⊗	⊗ ⊗	⊗ ⊗	⊗ ⊗

Interlocks

	Power Supply 1	Power Supply 2
Rack 1	⚠ Acknowledge	⚠ Acknowledge
Rack 2	⚠ Acknowledge	⚠ Acknowledge
Rack 3	⚠ Acknowledge	⚠ Acknowledge

- README
 - Overview of project
 - Explanation of each service
- Services diagram
 - Relationships between services
- Code comments
 - Implementation-specific details
- Code guide
 - Detailed overview of code design decisions
- To-do list

Services implemented

- Temperature
- Power
- Fan (needs driver)
- Program
- Supervisor
- Alert

Services to be implemented

- PLC (mostly complete)
- Database

GUI functionality

- View current rack status
- Begin/monitor programs
- See service/device issues
- Take emergency action via supervisor
- PLC data (needs to be connected once service is done)

GUI functionality to be added

- PLC emergency controls
- Visualize temperatures/fan speeds in box
- Historical database viewer

Thank you!



Questions?