

Achieving Digital Transformation and Providing Actionable Information for Sound Business Decisions





Who am I?

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- Wrote my 1st line of code in 1981
- Work experience
 - Home construction (Laborer/Carpenter/Mason)
 - United States Air Force Veteran (Military)
 - Caterpillar/Solar Turbines (Manufacturing)
 - CollegeClub.com (Social Media)
 - i2 Technologies (B2B)
 - 24 Hour Fitness (Health & Fitness)
 - Sony Online Entertainment (Entertainment)
 - LPL Financial (Investment & Brokerage)
 - Nexus Biosystems (Biotech)
 - General Atomics (DOD Contractor)
 - General Atomics Àeronautical (DOD Contractor)







- Defense and diversified technologies company founded in 1955 as a division of General Dynamics
- Operates on five continents
- Occupies more than 5 million square feet of Engineering, Laboratory and Manufacturing facilities and comprises over 15,000 employees
- Headquarters in San Diego, California









• World leader in deicing technology







- Enzyme technologies to develop diagnostic reagents which can be used on most automated chemistry analyzers in user-friendly formats
- Products include test kits for diagnosis of cardiovascular disease, liver disease, cancer markers, renal disease, diabetes, and electrolytes







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Energy Systems and Products

- Nuclear Engineering
 - Fission Reactor Design
 - Radiochemical Engineering
 - Nuclear Mechanical Engineering
 - Magnet Technologies



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- Nuclear Fuels
 - Converdyn
 - Heathgate Resources
 - Nuclear Fuels Corporation
 - Rio Grande Resources
 - Quasar Resources
 - Cotter Corporation



Energy Systems and Products

- Fusion Technologies
 - Tokamak Operations and Engineering
 - Plasma Control
 - Microwave Technologies

- Advanced Materials
 - SiGA[™] SiC Composite
 - High Neutron Reflector Materials











• Dresden Germany



performs commercially characterized and marketing oriented consulting and support services for the companies of the group. The Aviation Business Unit coordinates all activities for GA-ASI in Germany.



Develops, produces and assembles voluminous prefabricated reinforced concrete elements for supply and disposal, environmental protection, traffic and communication.



Innovative manufacturer of and service provider for special rail vehicles – ranging from production via modernization and maintenance up to 24/7/52 in-situe service.



in the fields of environmental monitoring, exploration and process technologies for water and mineral resources.

UMWELTLEISTUNGEN



performs environmentally friendly and special innovative services in the construction and environmental sector and operates an independent chemical-analytical laboratory.

SPREEWERK

environmentally friendly and innovative disposal of conventional munitions and explosives at 97% reuse of the components in the civil market.

EST ENERGETICS

is active in the field of demilitarization of conventional munitions and explosives and uses the process heat enregetically.



develops and manages properties of the Spezialtechnik-Gruppe Dresden





Electromagnetic Systems Group

- Advanced Arresting Gear (AAG) System Capacitors
- Electromagnetic Aircraft Launch System (EMALS)
- Gulftronic® electrostatic oil separator systems
- Space Systems and Technologies

- Power Management and Energy Storage Technologies
- Missile Defense Systems Railgun platforms and technology
- Radiation Monitoring Systems
- TRIGA® research reactor control systems







• Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA)

- State-of-the-art digital Ground Control Stations (GCS)
- Lynx®Multi-mode Radar and the highly sophisticated Claw®sensor payload control and image analysis software

- Headquartered in Poway, California
- Spans multiple facilities in the San Diego area and in the Mojave Desert, as well as adjacent to various customer locations around the U.S.



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Business Challenge

- DFARS Defense Acquisition Regulations System
- ITAR International Traffic in Arms Regulations

• IT

- Manufacturing VLAN
- Vertically oriented organization with independent directions
- Many areas of data opportunity
- Data being sent offsite to 3rd party systems
- Tags, Tags, Tags (CNC PLC Siemens 840D)



Business Challenge

- MCCI Manufacturing Center for Continuous Improvement
 - Operational Technology Group
 - Seven people
- Proof of Concept (POC)
- Paint booth temperature and humidity conditions need to be within specification before aircraft coating operations can begin.
- Time is wasted having to manually check/inform of environmental conditions
- Data is being sent offsite to 3rd party system reducing time to react to abnormal temperatures

What we started with

- Four paint booths
- Eight Raspberry Pi 3's, 14 PT100's, Four AM2315, Four 55" monitors, Four power receptacles, Eight Ethernet drops
- FogLAMP 1.3







What we implemented

- Four paint booths
- One ARK-1124U Gateway, Four Hoffman NEMA enclosures, 14 Dwyer RTD temperature sensors, Four Dwyer humidity sensors, Four ADAM 4017+ modules, Four 55" monitors, Four power receptacles, One Ethernet drop



PI System allows display of real-time temperature & humidity on large monitors



PI Vision enables visual cues based on multi-state configurations

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	≤		95	×	
	≤		90	×	
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	≤		60	×	
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PI System allows analysis of data that was not previously available



Name ▲	Value	Trend	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Range
booth_1 humidity	28	, Marine	28	25	30	4
booth_2 humidity	26	1 Mar	26	24	27	3
booth_3 humidity	37	\frown	38	22	43	21
booth_4 humidity	25	-	24	24	25	1



FogLAMP 1.5 GUI makes it very easy to configure our edge devices







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Currently working with Event Frames and Notifications to send alerts autonomously





Results Obtained and Business Impact

- Technicians receive immediate visual feedback via PI Vision monitors when environmental conditions are met so spray operations can resume.
- Manufacturing engineer can view trends via PI Vision to determine how long paint booths are heating up or cooling down to better plan cycle times.
- Analysis can be provided from the Data Archive to compare temperature readings across time to determine cost justifications such as insulation or cooling devices.
- (Future) Event Frames monitor critical parameters and Notifications can be quickly sent communicating that conditions are moving beyond specifications.



Other Opportunities (Ah-ha moments)

- Machine connectivity/data collection via various technologies (Modbus, OPC UA, OPC DA, MQTT, MTConnect, FOCAS, WAGO, Proprietary)
- Building environment reporting/notifications
- Thermal Chamber monitoring/analysis
- Autoclave monitoring/analysis
- Machine Learning, Predictive Analytics
- IT Monitoring



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Some lessons learned

- Management, allow your people to immerse in this technology
- Budget for training
- Involve Cybersecurity early in the process
- Foster an open dialog with your system integrators
- Expect organizational process delays
- Communicate often
- Hidden requirements
- Drive or you will be Driven



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CHALLENGE

Provide immediate feedback of environmental conditions within paint booths to improve process and safety

- Delay in process determining when the environmental conditions correct
- Unable to determine past conditions or when they occurred
- Interfacing with offsite data collection
 agencies time consuming

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SOLUTION

Using the PI System we are now ingesting paint booth data into the Data Archive to track temperature/humidity across time and compare to coating quality standards

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 PI Vision shows when temperature and humidity are correct

FOGLAMP

- AF provides configuration for multistate events
- FogLAMP provides flexibility and extensibility



RESULTS

Technicians can determine correct temperature conditions from anywhere in the area decreasing wait times. Manufacturing engineers can monitor results remotely

- Able to detect over temperature conditions
- Provide data to determine if insulation retrofit is needed
- Immediate notification of out of tolerance conditions

Thank you



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