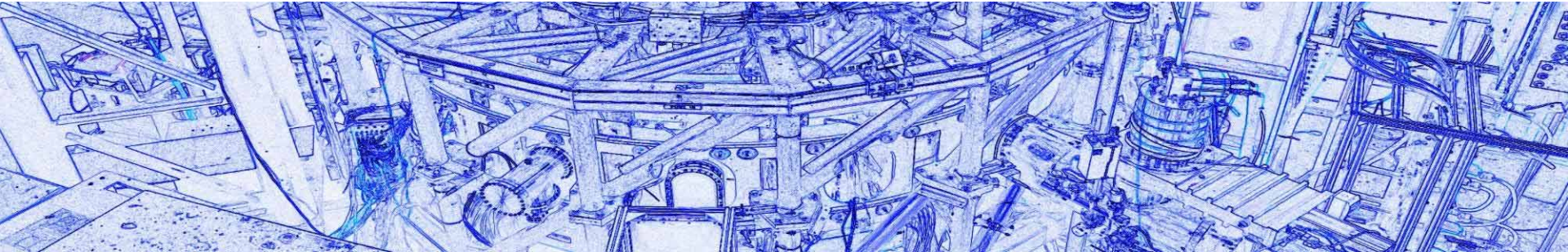


# Web Technology Enabling Fast and Easy Large Experiment Facility Control System Implementation

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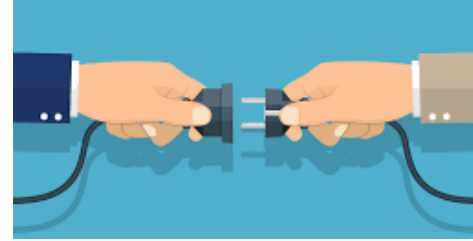
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## Interoperability



- Everything needs to understand and work with others
- Everything needs be integrated effortlessly
- We need them to speak a common language

- **What is web technology and why?**
  - HTTP
    - The common language for communication
  - HTML
    - The common language for visualization
  - Browsers
    - The common language for user interaction

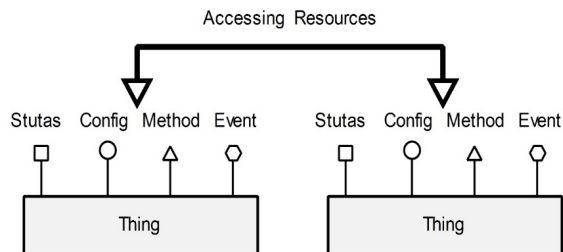
**Web is designed for interoperability**

## • Resources

- Thing: Something that contains other resources
- Status: Information that a thing wants to expose—read only
- Configuration: Indicate the desired behavior by other—read & write
- Method: A command—immediate action
- Event: When subscribed, will invoke a method on certain condition

## • Access of resources—RESTful Web API

- Using URL to identify the resources
- Using HTTP verb to specify the action
- HTTP response as the result sample



| Resource Access Action | HTTP Verb |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Get                    | GET       |
| Set                    | Put       |
| Invoke                 | Post      |
| Subscribe              | Post      |
| Unsubscribe            | Delete    |

- A request to a control system resource
- Get:  
<http://pulsegenerator.powersystem.local/motor1/rpm>

The actual Value of this status

Hypermedia Data for Visualization

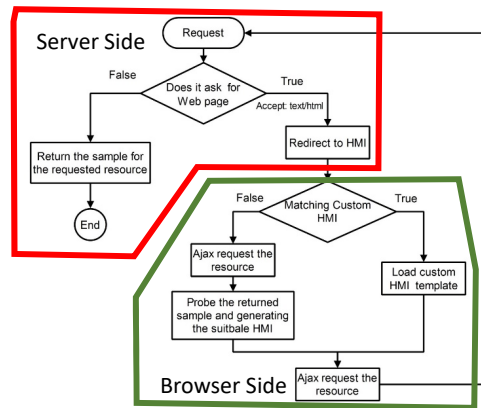
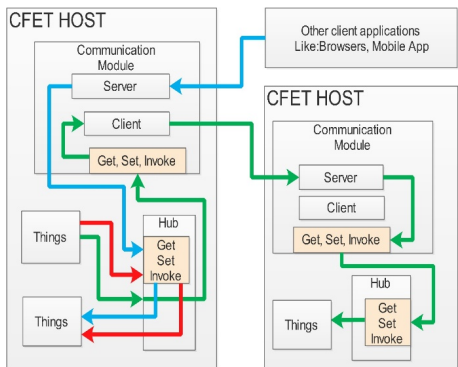
Hypermedia data for Navigation  
and how to interact with this resource

```
1 {
2     "CFET2CORE_SAMPLE_REQUSRCETYPE":1,
3     "CFET2CORE_SAMPLE_VAL":590,
4     "CFET2CORE_SAMPLE_PATH":"/moter1/rpm",
5     "CFET2CORE_SAMPLE_ISREMOTE":false,
6     "CFET2CORE_SAMPLE_ISVALID":true,
7     "ResourceType":"Status",
8     "DisplayType":"Gauge",
9     "Unit":"rpm",
10    "Action":{
11        "get":{
12            "Parameters":{
13            },
14            "OutputType":"Double"
15        }
16    },
17    "ParentPath":"/motor1",
18    "ChildrenPath":[
19    ],
20    ],
21 }
22 }
```

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- OK, you can build a control system with web technology using all kinds of web server and client libraries.
- But we created a software toolkit for that.
- **CFET2**
  - A console app called CFET2app, just like an EPICS IOC
  - A standalone Single Page Application for HMI design called WidgetUI



# How to make a Thing?

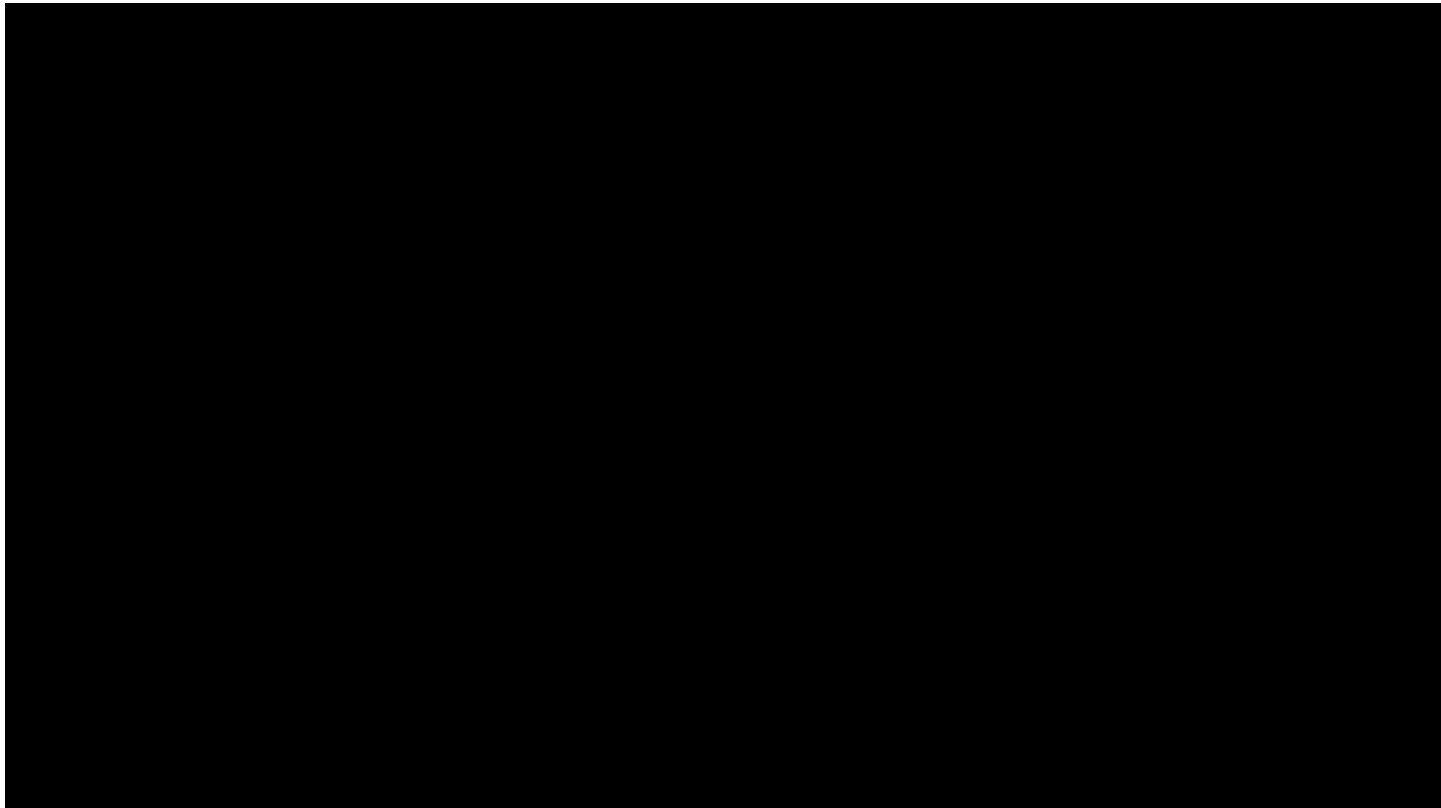


```
1 public class NiDaqCard : Thing
2 {
3     [CfetStatus(Name = "Data")] //a CFET Status resource with name "data"
4     public double[] GetData(int channel)
5     {
6         return ReadDataFromChannel(channel);
7     }
8 }
9
10 public class MdsUploader : Thing
11 {
12     [CfetMethod] //this is a CFET Method resource
13     public void Upload()
14     {
15         //assume the above DaqCard is mounted on a remote DaqHost
16         var data = Hub.Get("http://DaqHost:8080/card1/data");
17         uploadToMdsServer(data, shot, tag);
18     }
19 }
```

- Just decorate the methods/properties with CFET2 Resource Attribute
- No more
- <http://host.local/daq/card1/data/5>

- **By drag and drop**

- Wid
- you
- You



## • State machine thing

- Config with 3 files: Aliases, State transitions, Actions

```
"HeatState1":  
{  
  "GetPath": "http://192.168.0.2:8001/PPHeat/CurrentStateNo",  
  "ValueType": "System.Int32",  
  "DefaultValue": 0  
},  
"HeatState2":  
{  
  "GetPath": "http://192.168.0.2:8005/PPHeat/CurrentStateNo",  
  "ValueType": "System.Int32",  
  "DefaultValue": 0  
},
```

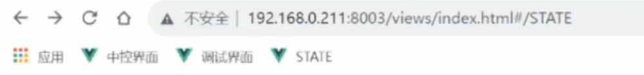
```
"StateNo": 1,  
"StateName": "Idle",  
"DefaultNs": 1,  
"Transitions":  
[  
  {  
    "TransitionName": "goPreHeat",  
    "ConditionExpr": "StartHeatAll==1",  
    "NextState": 2  
  }  
],
```

State transitions: defines states and transition conditions

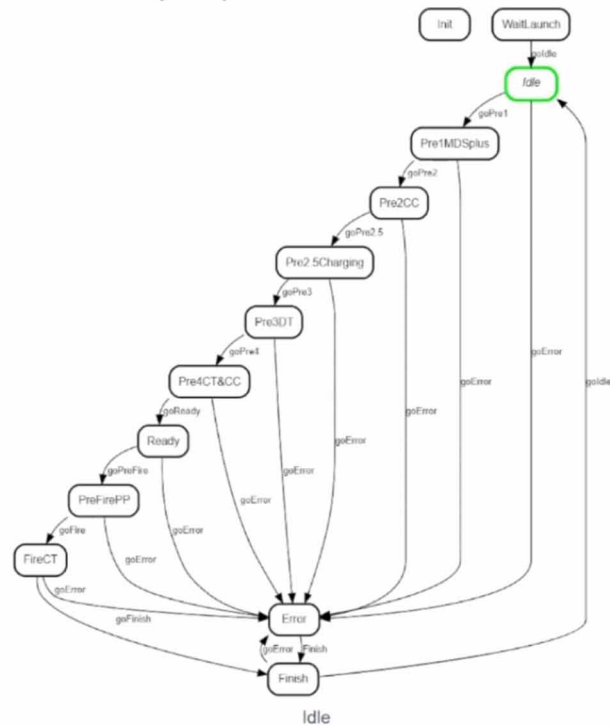
Aliases: URL to variable name mapping

```
"TransExcute":  
{  
  "InitDefault": "MyHub.Set(\"/relay/Resource/PP/StartHeatAll/0\");MyHub.Set(\"/relay/Resource/PP/StopHeatAll/0\");",  
  "goPreHeat": "for(int i=1;i<10;i+=2) MyHub.Set(\"http://192.168.0.2:800\"+i.ToString()+\"/relay/Resource/PP/StartHeatAll/0\");",  
  "goStopping": "for(int i=1;i<10;i+=2) MyHub.Set(\"http://192.168.0.2:800\"+i.ToString()+\"/relay/Resource/PP/StopHeatAll/0\");",  
}
```

Actions: what to do when a transition fires



## GlobalState(BS1)



- **Associate a CFET2 resource (a RESTful api) with an EPICS PV**
  - Allow EPICS clients to access CFET2 resource
  - Allow HTTP client to access EPICS PVs
  - Made a soft IOC docker image to make everything simple

```
FROM ubuntu
LABEL version="1.0"
MAINTAINER Xiaohan Xie
RUN apt-get -y update && apt-get install -y git
RUN mkdir /root/EPICS
WORKDIR /root/EPICS
RUN git clone --recursive https://github.com/epics-base/epics-base.git
WORKDIR epics-base
RUN apt install -y build-essential
RUN make
#RUN echo "export EPICS_BASE=$(HOME)/EPICS/epics-base" | tee -a ~/.bashrc
#RUN echo "export EPICS_HOST_ARCH=$(EPICS_BASE)/startup/EpicsHostArch" | tee -a ~/.bashrc
#RUN echo "export PATH=$(EPICS_BASE)/bin/$(EPICS_HOST_ARCH):$(PATH)" | tee -a ~/.bashrc
#RUN source ~/.bashrc
RUN chmod -R 777 /root/.bashrc
#ENV EPICS_BASE=/root/EPICS/epics-base
#ENV EPICS_HOST_ARCH=$(EPICS_BASE)/startup/EpicsHostArch
#ENV PATH $(EPICS_BASE)/bin/$(EPICS_HOST_ARCH):$(PATH)
#ENV PATH /root/EPICS/epics-base/bin/linux-x86_64:$(PATH)
WORKDIR /
CMD softloc -d PUCConfig.db
EXPOSE 5064
```

```
record(ai, "test") {
  field(DESC, "Test Channel")
  field(DIYP, "Soft Channel")
  field(PREC, 2)
  field(VAL, "8.19")
}
```

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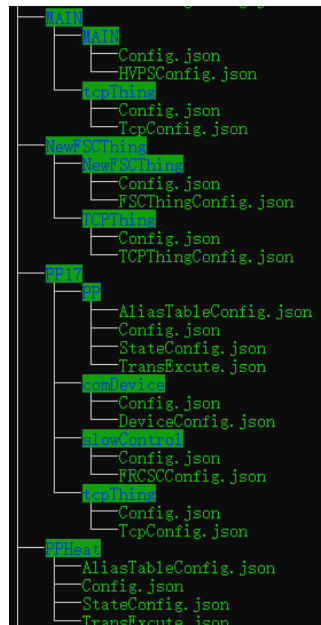
## • Docker enables fast deployment

- CFET2app can be regarded as Micro-services
- Docker allow them to be deployed with minimum effort
  - Create folders for Things
  - Put thing config files in the folder
  - Run the image

```
version: '0.1'

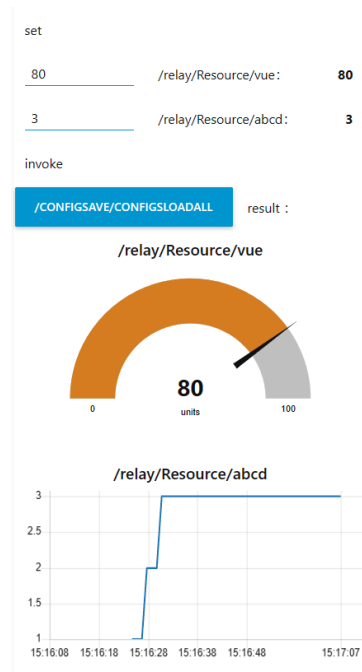
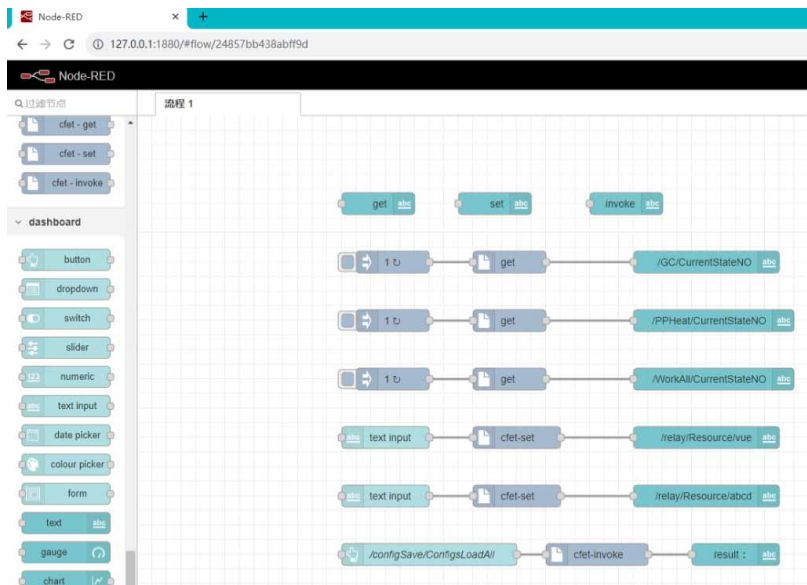
services:
  cfet2app:
    image: 'xiexiaohan/cfet2app_dotnetcore:latest'
    volumes:
      - /usr/local/dockerapp/thingConfig:/publish/thingConfig
      - /usr/local/dockerapp/thingDll:/publish/thingDll
    ports:
      - "8001:8001"

  tty: true
  stdin_open: true
```



## • NodeRed for quick automation and HMI

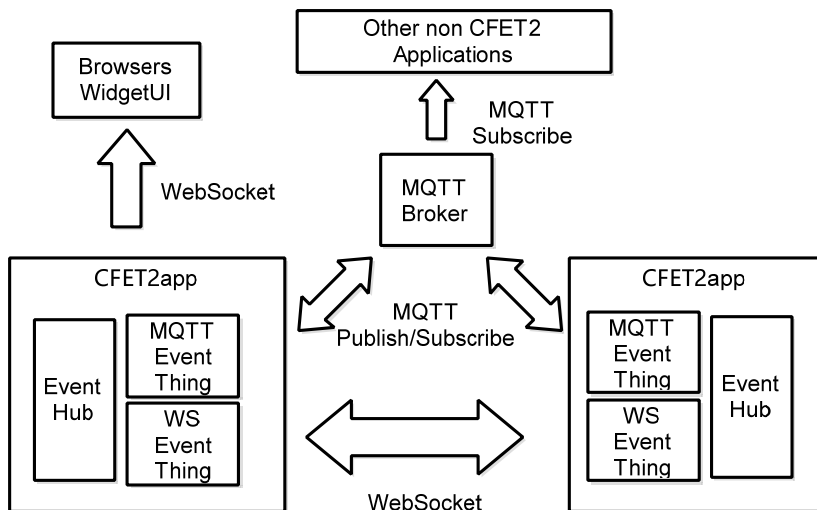
- Control automation logic can be programmed using drag & drop graphical interface
- HMI can be developed using dash board





- **CFET2 support 2 event distribution:**

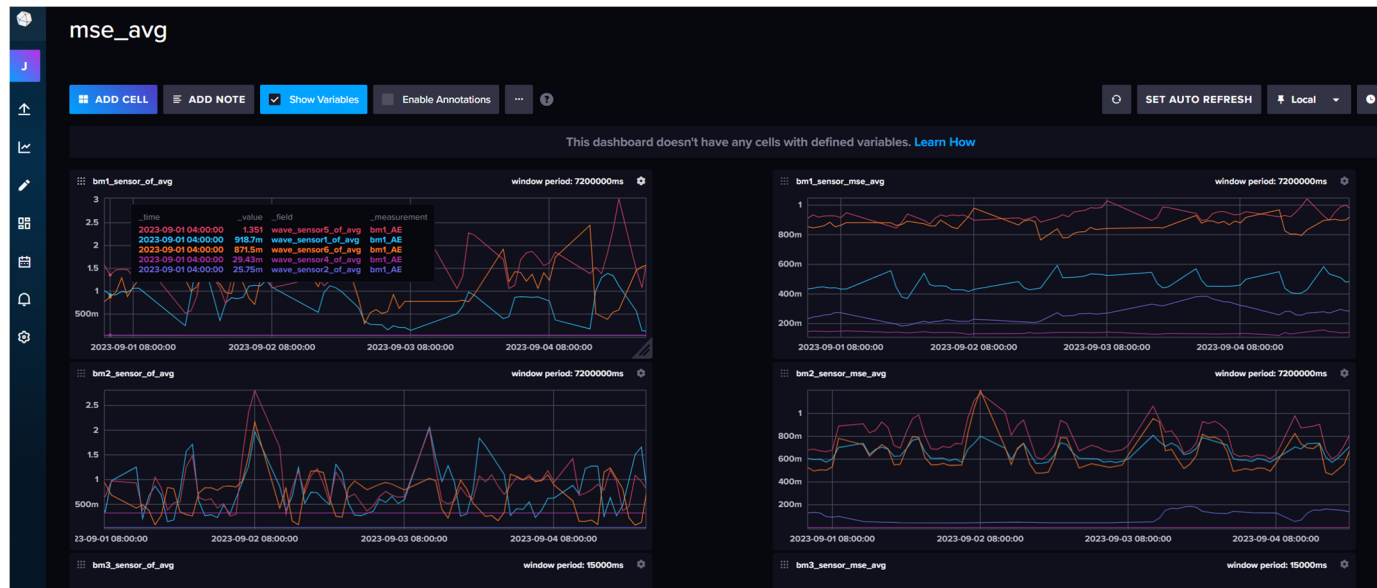
- Web Socket for browser based client like the WidgetUI and everything else
- MQTT for everything else



- Things inside CFET2app can use MQTT or WS for event, only difference is the URL of the event
- Non-CFET2app can just use MQTT to subscribe the event that's the most simple way

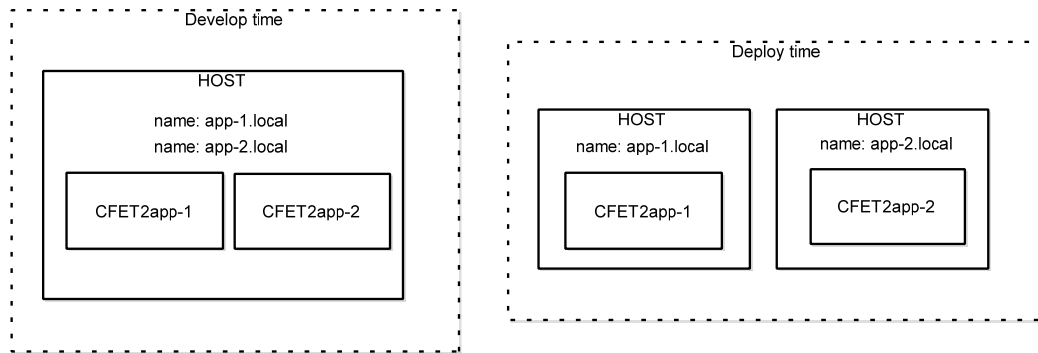
## • Using InfluxDB as archiver

- everything is HTTP so, just configure a Telegraf app to archive the resources
- No need to make a new app



## • multicast DNS

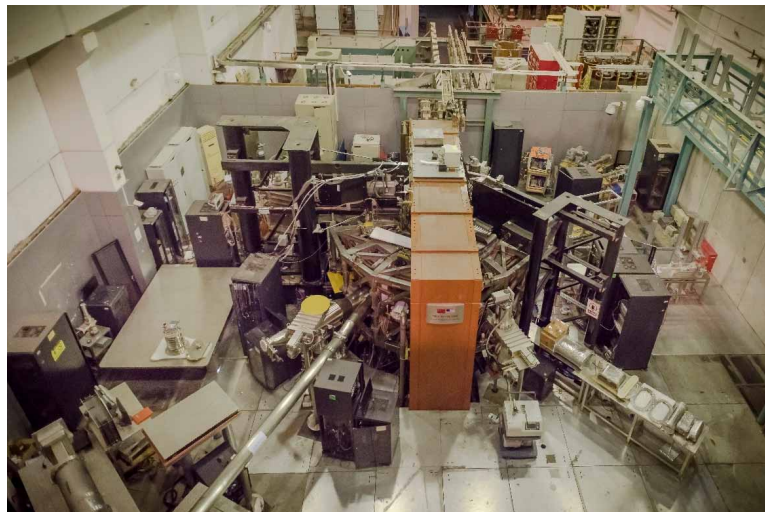
- set host names so no ip address in the URL (.local domain names)
- Using multiple domain names for the same host, each name for a CFET2app
- Completely decouple CFET2app and CFET2 Resource from host
- Just use Avahi



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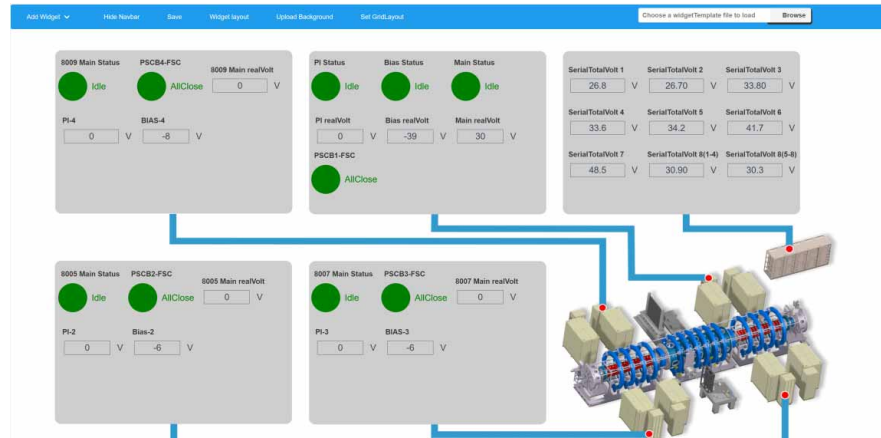
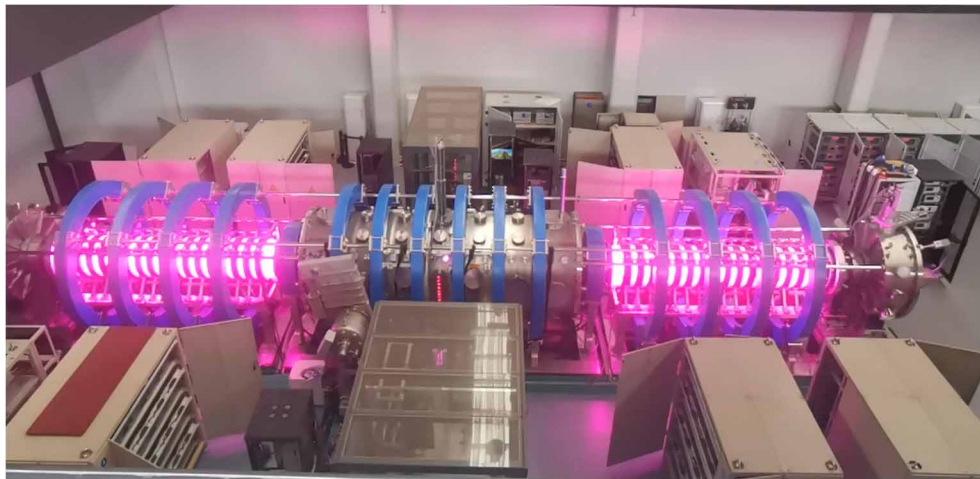
- **J-TEXT control system is based on EPICS CA**

- Some of the new deployed systems are developed using CFET2
- Works flawlessly with existing EPICS CA based systems.



- **China's largest FRC**

- Everything is HTTP, even the alarm siren is HTTP (ESP32, HTTP over Wi-Fi)
- Mostly powered by CFET2, but not necessarily everything, since HTTP is supported by everything



## • Ball mill data acquisition and predictive maintenance

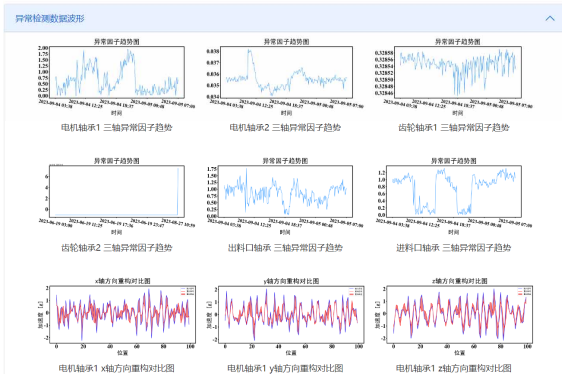
- Acquire vibration data using lots of sensor
- Archive all the data
- Using AI to predict anomaly and issue maintenance advices
- Tested in on of the BAOWU's ball mill plant

Add Widget Save Widget layout Choose a widgetTemplate file to load Browse

CurrentShotNo 1045616 GC IntervalTime 300 Start/OFF

|             |      |                 |                   |             |      |                 |                   |
|-------------|------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|------|-----------------|-------------------|
| BM1-sensor1 | Idle | LastSuccessTime | 2023/10/1 0:40:50 | BM1-sensor2 | Idle | LastSuccessTime | 2023/10/1 0:40:40 |
| BM1-sensor3 | Idle | LastSuccessTime | 目前还没有成功炮          | BM1-sensor4 | Idle | LastSuccessTime | 2023/10/1 0:41:13 |
| BM1-sensor5 | Idle | LastSuccessTime | 2023/10/1 0:41:23 | BM1-sensor6 | Idle | LastSuccessTime | 2023/10/1 0:41:33 |
| Temp1       | 51.5 | Temp2           | 44.4              |             |      |                 |                   |

|                  |          |                  |         |                |         |
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| 电机轴承1振动 (g) :    | 0.0195   | 电机轴承2振动 (g) :    | 0.0487  | 齿轮轴承1振动 (g) :  | 0.047   |
| 齿轮轴承2振动 (g) :    | 0.0      | 进料口轴承振动 (g) :    | 0.0458  | 出料口轴承振动 (g) :  | 0.0487  |
| 电机轴承1温度 (°C) :   | 32.625   | 电机轴承2温度 (°C) :   | 36.3125 | 齿轮轴承1温度 (°C) : | 41.1875 |
| 齿轮轴承2温度 (°C) :   | 0.0      | 进料口轴承温度 (°C) :   | 37.0    | 出料口轴承温度 (°C) : | 35.75   |
| 进料口轴承振动频率 (Hz) : | 268.4891 | 出料口轴承振动频率 (Hz) : | 36.7098 |                |         |



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- **Web technology can greatly improve the interoperability of the control system.**
- **With improved interoperability, mature solutions in other fields can be used in building control system for large experiments.**

# Thank you for you attentions!!