

Data Infrastructure and Management for the Digital Thread in Manufacturing

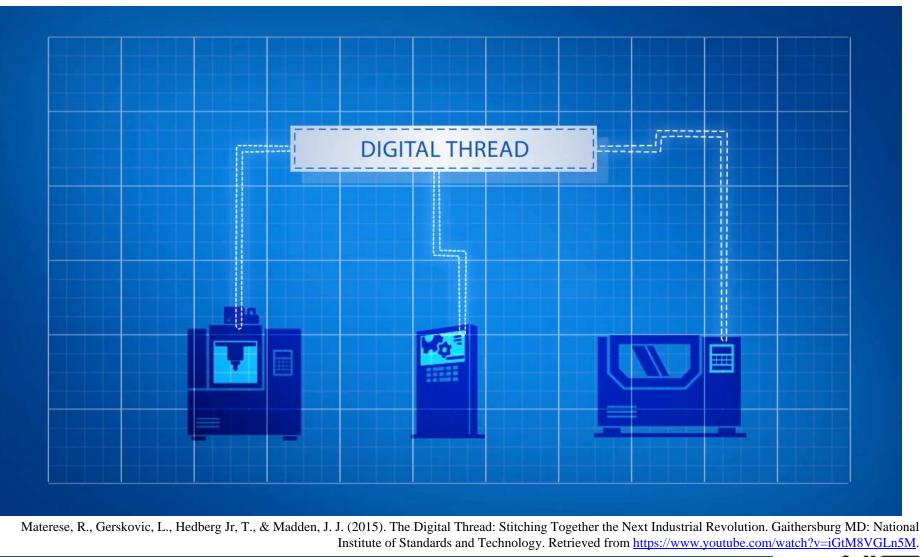
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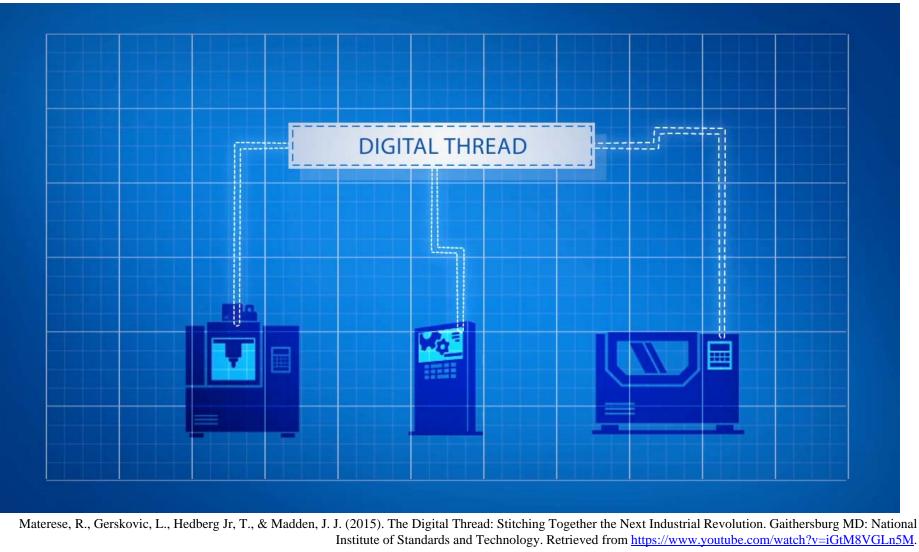




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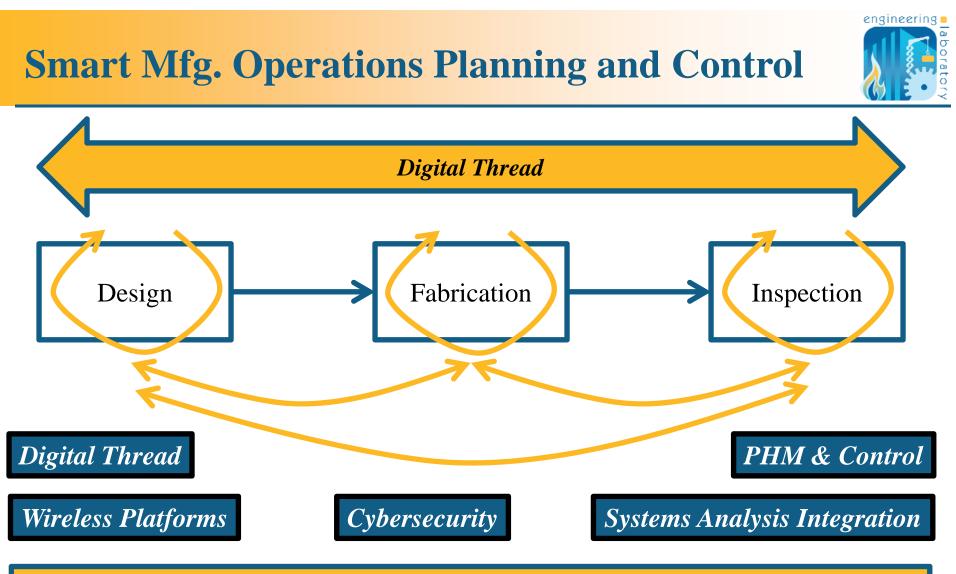


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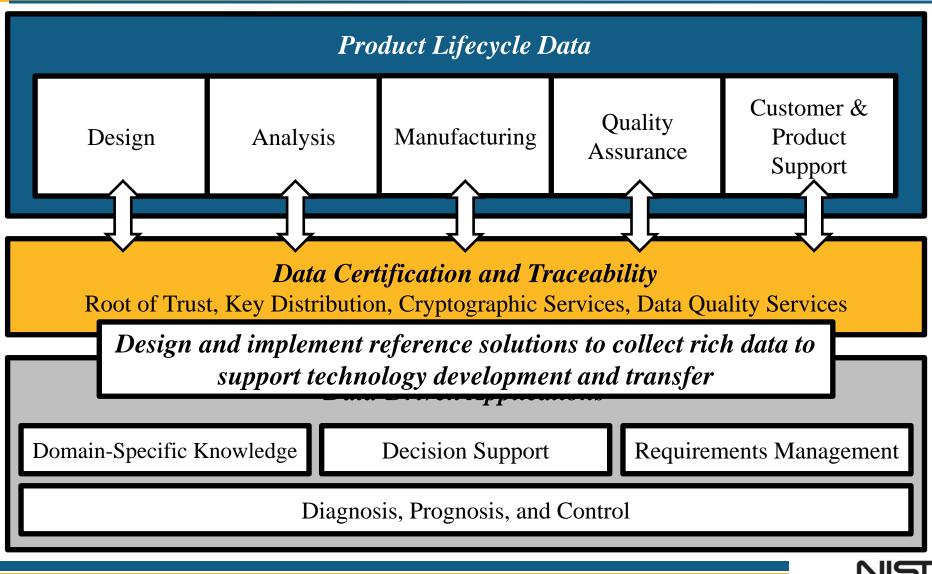




Information sharing across the digital thread can improve the overall performance of the product design and manufacturing process

Lifecycle Information Framework





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Current Challenge

- PLM solutions:
 - CAx: CAD, CAE, CAM, etc.
 - PDM
 - V&V
- Operations solutions:
 - Devices, SCADA, PLC
 - MES, MOM
 - ERP

Engineering focused;

Relatively expensive

Primarily IT;

Mixture of IT and OT; Lack of integration across control levels

Integration of heterogeneous solutions across the product lifecycle for SMEs and larger organizations

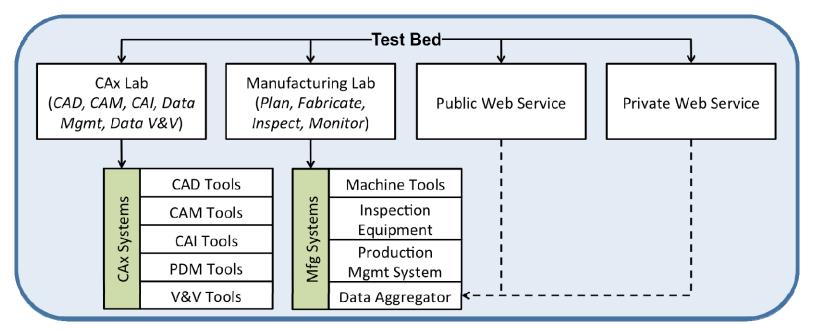






Goals:

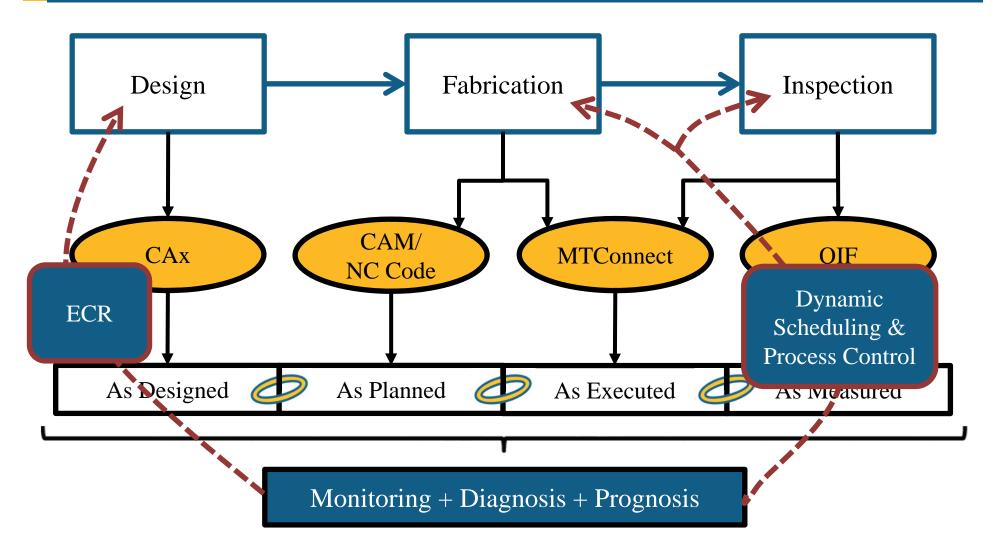
- Reference architecture and implementation
- Rich source of data for fundamental research
- Physical infrastructure for standards and technology development
- Demonstration test cases for education



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Data Collection and Aggregation

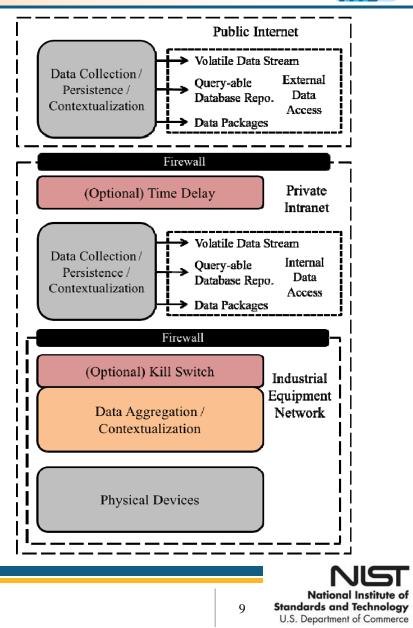




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Manufacturing Data Architecture

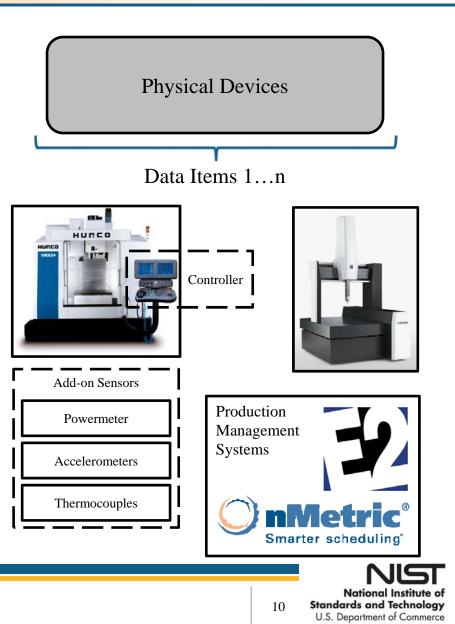
- Designed as a four-tier architecture
- Implemented across three networks
- Provides segregated access to internal and external clients





Tier #1: Services

- Shop-floor IT and OT systems
- External sensors and equipment
- Any additional sources of data

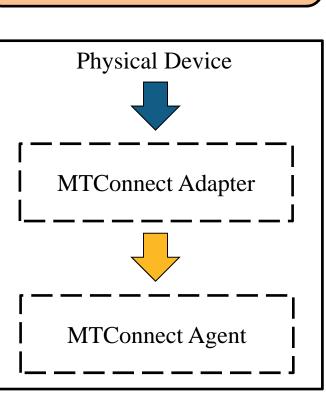




Tier #2: Aggregation

- Aggregates and contextualizes service data
- Provides data protocol translation
- Supplies data and information structure for underlying services





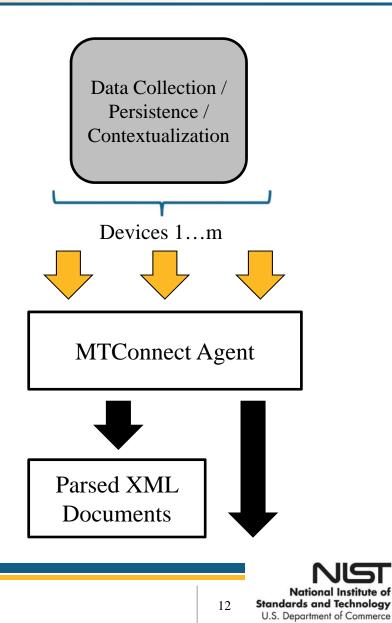
Data Aggregation /

Contextualization



Tier #3: Delivery

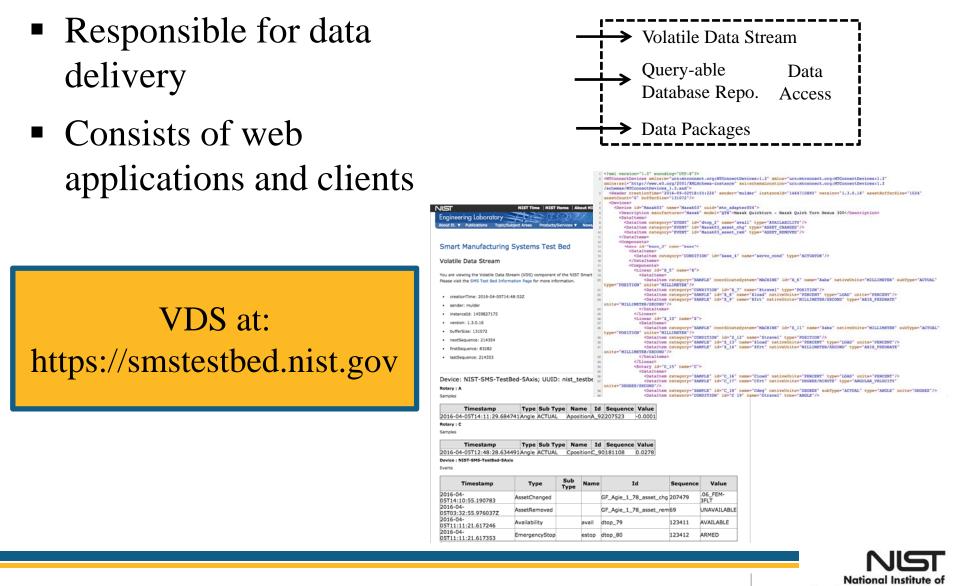
- Processes and contextualizes data for delivery to client
- Caches content for efficient performance
- Enables further development through data analytics





Tier #4: Client





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Requirements and Specifications

- General description:
 - Product functions
 - User characteristics
 - Operating environments
- Interfaces:
 - User
 - Hardware
 - Software
 - Communications

- Features:
 - VDS and QDR
 - Data curation
 - System administration
- Others:
 - Performance
 - Reliability
 - Availability
 - Security
 - Maintainability



Demo: Monitoring Mfg. Systems

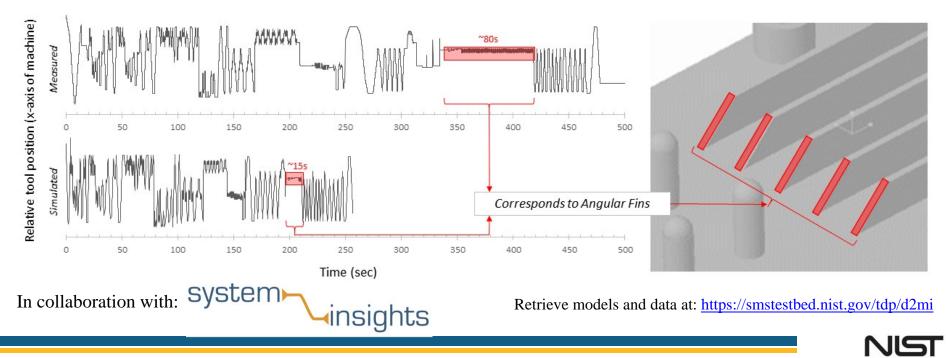


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- Simulated cycle time for one feature was 15 seconds, but measured results show actual cycle time was 80 seconds
- Feed rate mismatch affects production schedule
- Need a solution to overcome impact to scheduling



Questions to Correct Mismatch



- [Design] Can we redesign geometry to avoid the need for toolpaths with high feed discrepancies?
- [*Planning*] Can we redesign toolpath to minimize impact of machine dynamics?
- [Machining] Can we enable operator to make informed decisions?
- [Inspection] Can we use information to identify areas for more detailed measurement?

What is the correct question to answer?

How to determine correct solution?



- Goal: Determine the best course of action to remedy production scheduling issues
- <u>Need</u>: Root cause of feed mismatch
- Solution: Integrate multiple data sources from systems across the product lifecycle to determine causation using data analytics



Available Data



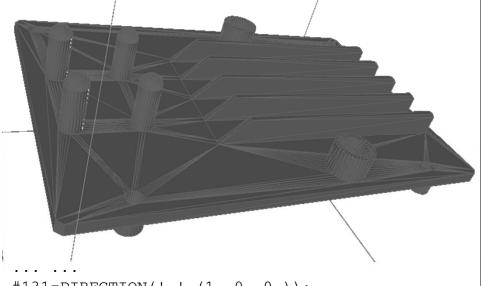
- Design model data in native and STEP standard format (*as designed*)
- Milling program as NC code in ISO 6983 standard format (*as planned*)
- Manufacturing execution data in MTConnect standard format (*as executed*)
- Inspection data in QIF standard format (*as inspected*)



Step 1: Present and Represent Activities

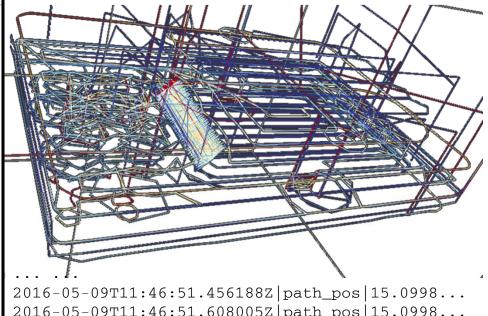


Design Data



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Manufacturing Data



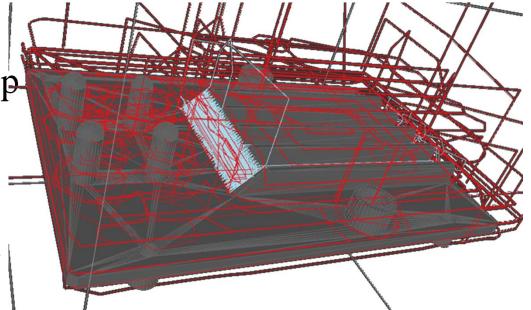
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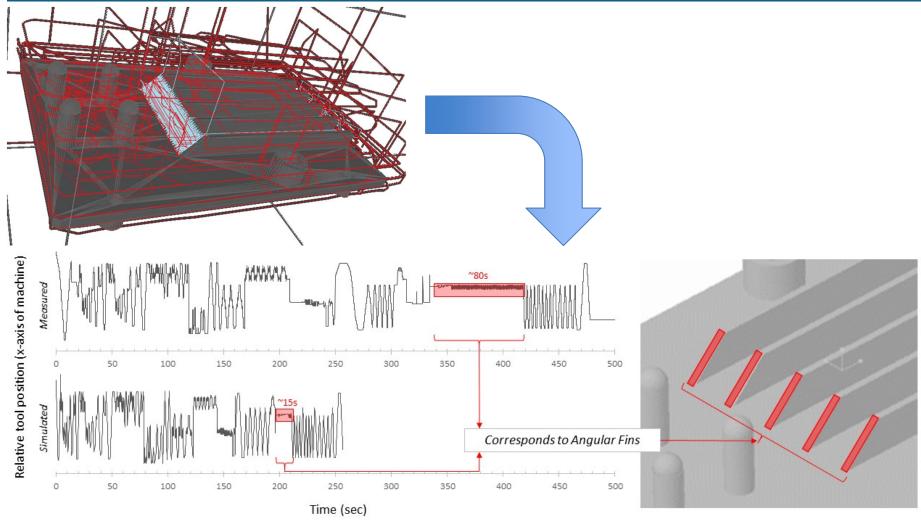
Step 2: Apply Data Analytics

- Overlay the as designed, as planned, and as executed data
- Investigate the relationship of each "feature" across the linked data
- Determine causations and correlations of issues





Step 3: Generate Results



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Step 4: Build Knowledge



- <u>Cause</u>: Machine never reached planned feed rate
 - Height of the design feature (i.e., chamfers) is small
 - Machine cannot complete acceleration to planned feed rate before completing the fabrication of the design feature
 - Design based on legacy concept and design feature not needed in this design
- <u>Correlation</u>: Design, Planning, and Program defects





- Short-term (program): Enable operator to make educated decisions to override the planned program to speed machining
- <u>Mid-term (planning)</u>: Rework production schedule and routing to compensate for longer than expected fabrication time
- Long-term (design): Redesign part to remove legacy design artifacts and optimize the design for manufacturing



Summary



- Digital thread has potential to improve overall performance of product design and manufacture
- Substantial implementation effort needed to achieve promise of digital thread
- NIST Smart Manufacturing Systems Test Bed enables development of digital thread:
 - Data available @ <u>https://smstestbed.nist.gov/</u>
 - Documentation to be released
 - Data-driven applications forthcoming

Grand Opening: MFG Day, Oct 7th







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