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MFQ continues its digital transformation journey by relying on AVEVA Operations Control & Predictive Analytics using the AVEVA PI System data foundation

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Quebec Iron Ore

Champion Iron Limited, through its subsidiary Quebec Iron Ore Inc., owns and operates the Bloom Lake Mining Complex, located on the south end of the Labrador Trough, approximately 13 km north of Fermont, Québec.

Bloom Lake is an open-pit operation with two concentrators that primarily source energy from renewable hydroelectric power.

The Bloom Lake Phase I and Phase II plants have a combined nameplate capacity of 15 Mtpa and produce a low contaminant high-grade 66.2% Fe iron ore concentrate with a proven ability to produce a 67.5% Fe direct reduction quality concentrate.



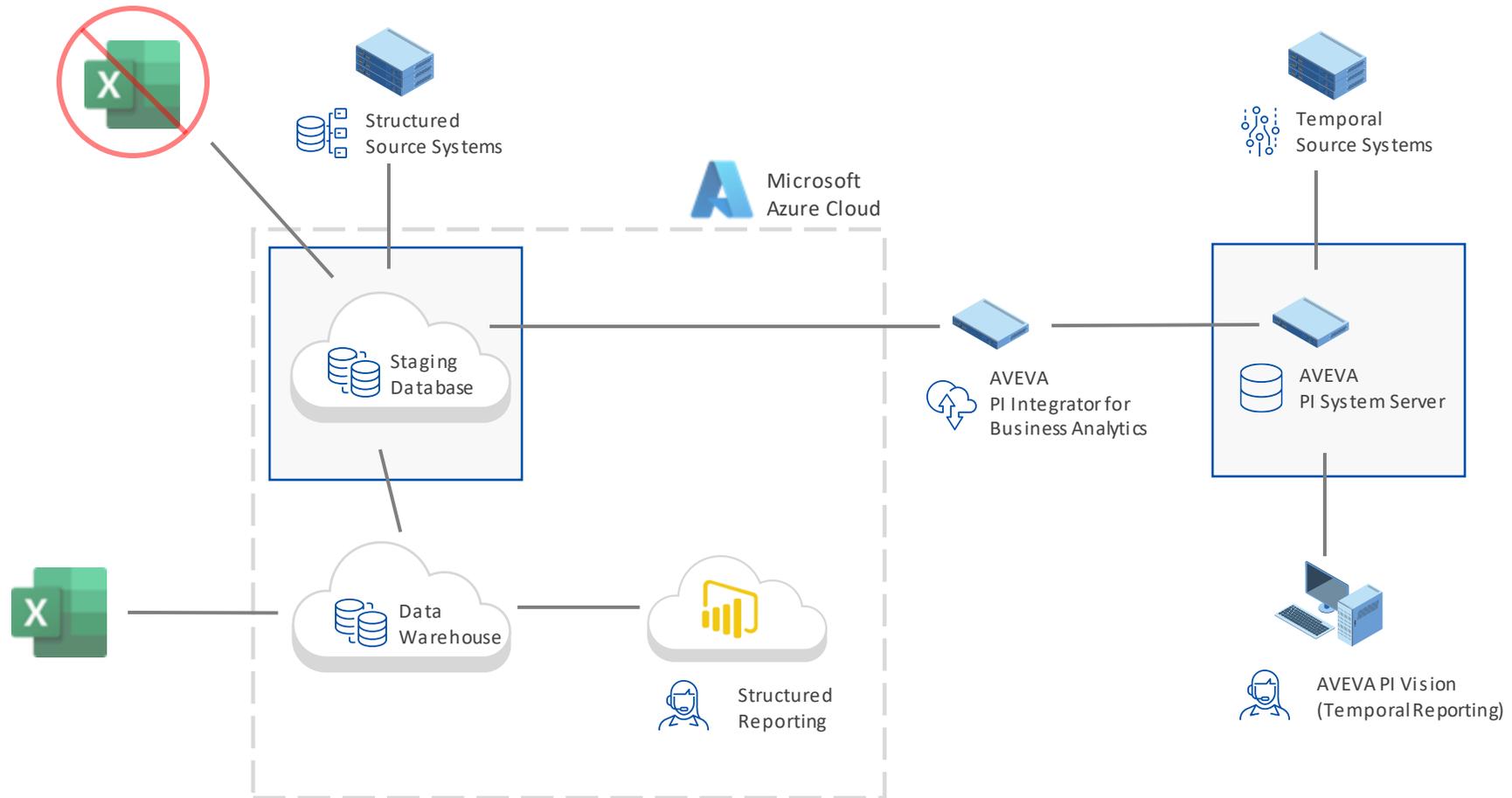
Business Challenges



Main challenge: Reducing reaction time from event to resolution

- Must evolve from Excel based analytics
- Lacked a solid data foundation to efficiently feed business and operational reports
- Multiple isolated control rooms across the mine operations
- Reliability of critical equipment needs to be improved to support phase two expansion
- Improve production traceability
- Increase real-time visibility of pit to port operations

Data Foundation & Excel Transition





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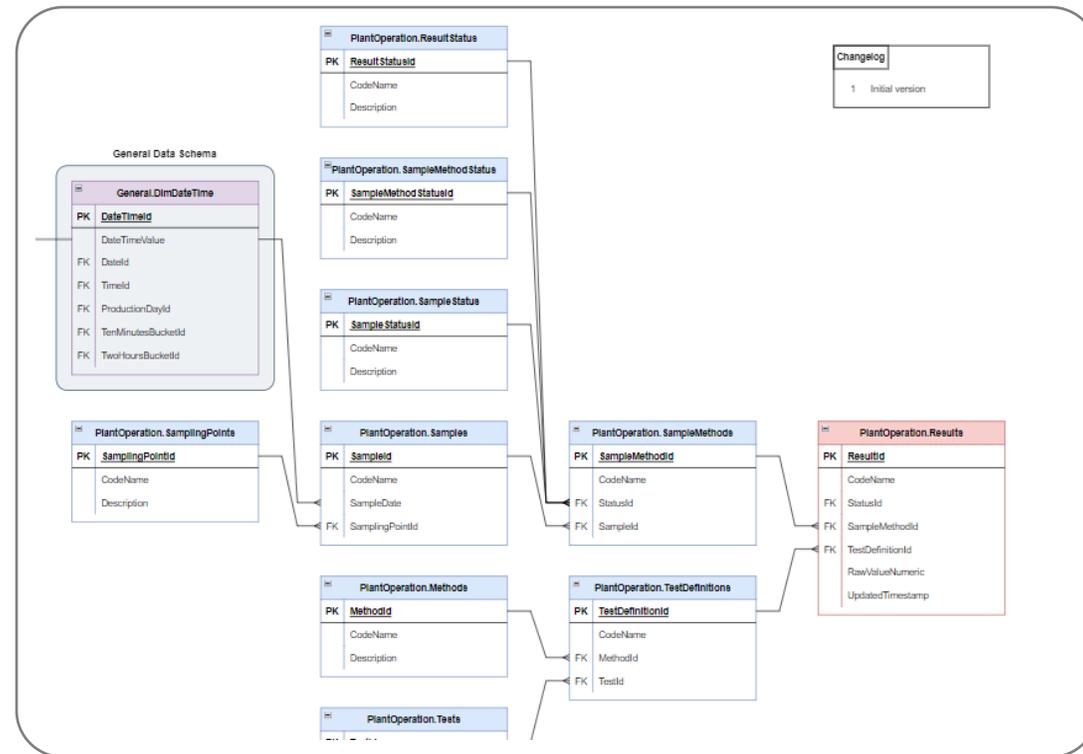
Key: Having a solid data architecture

Temporal Data

The screenshot shows the PI System Explorer interface. On the left is a tree view of elements, including 'Champion Iron', 'Commodities', 'Mineral de Fer Quebec', 'Aerports', 'Lac Bloom', and various industrial units. The main window displays a table for the element 'Valve Eau Procède Residus Fins Combines'. The table has columns for Name, Value, and Description.

Name	Value	Description
Boude	7348	7348
CVin	0	Valeur analogique d'entrée à traiter
CVout	100	Valeur analogique de sortie
ISA	LV	LV
PLC	B109	Numéro de PLC
Secteur	2714	Numéro de secteur

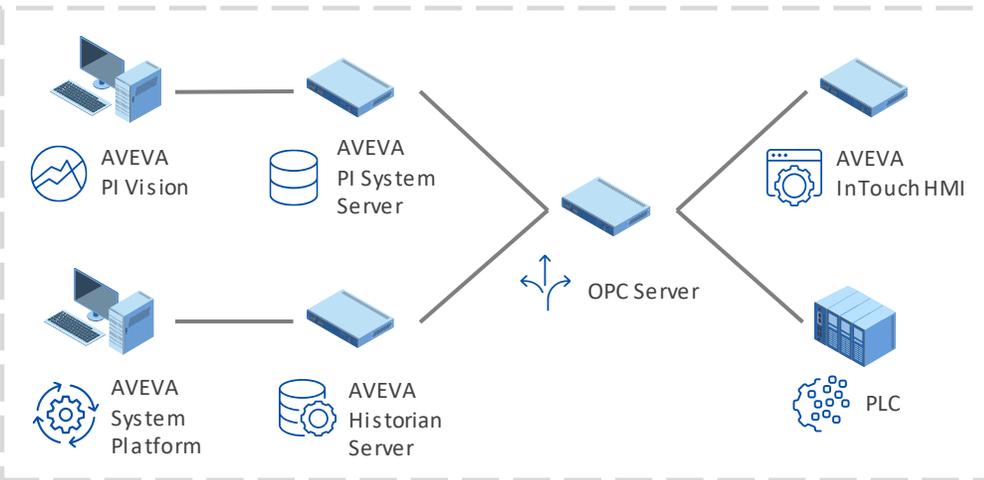
Structured Data



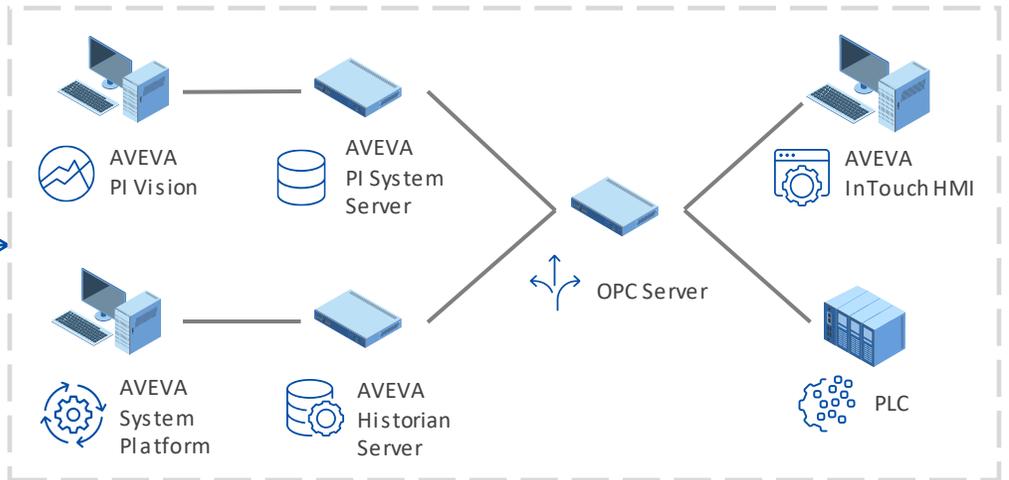


Control Rooms (AVEVA Operations Control + PI System)

Plant 1 (Main Server Room)

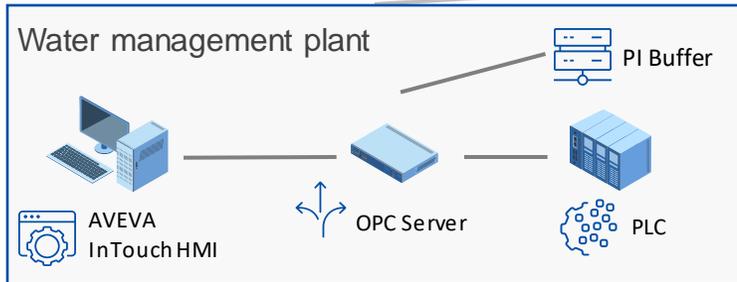


Plant 2 (Secondary Server Room)

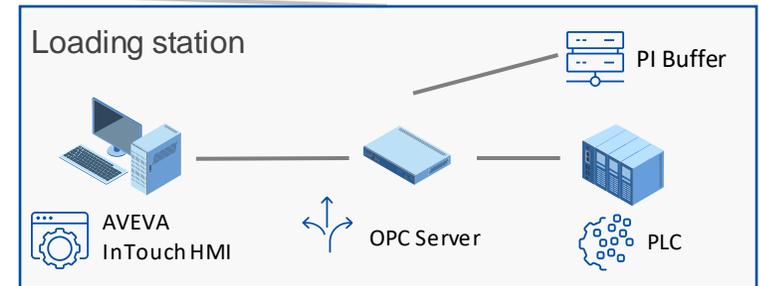


Redundant Systems

OT Network



Remote Standalone Control Room



Remote Standalone Control Room



Increase Critical Equipment Reliability



Using AVEVA Predictive Analytics to benefit

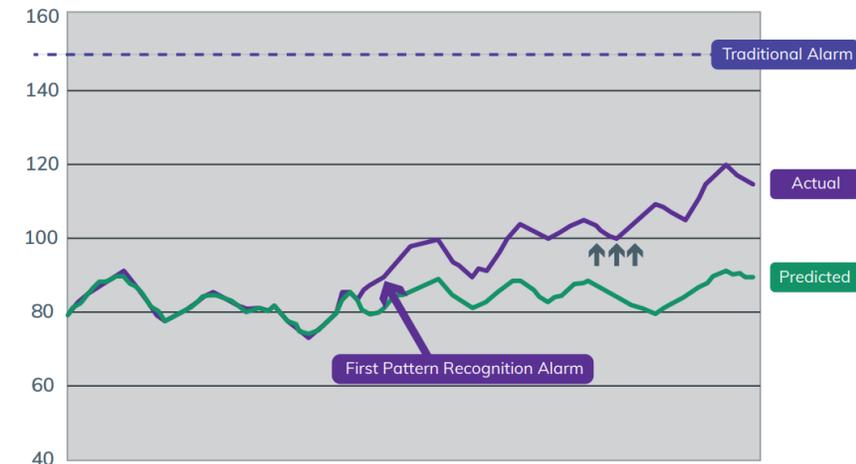
- Maintenance / Reliability engineers
- Operators

Started with pilot project

- Able to verify that the tool would have detected the failure in previous breakdown
- 3 assets monitored
- Analyzed the result with users

Current deployment

- Production rollout
- Phase One: 10 assets (50 models)
 - Coarse tailing pumps
 - AG Mill





Improve Production Traceability



Identified areas of need

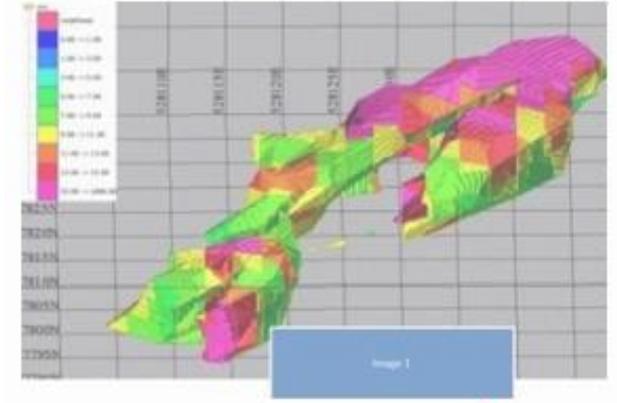
- Track material quality over the process
- Live inventory of stock piles
- Quality manifest of loaded material in train

How we think it would improve traceability

- Summary view of what is in the pipeline
- History of mineral resources extracted
- Robust source of production information to further enhance reporting

Path forward

- Evaluating AVEVA Production Management



PERFORMANCE	INVENTORY	SUSTAINABILITY
Delay Accounting	Inventory Management	WAGES Loss Accounting
Production Reporting	Grade Control & Tracking	Incident Management
Knowledge Management	Material Accounting	Environmental Reporting



Increase Pit to Port Visibility



Identified areas of need

- Have a unified view of different systems (structured data, temporal data and CAD drawings)
- Show operations control and predictive maintenance data in context

How we think it would increase pit to port visibility

- Help the business react to production events
- Bring global view to managers
- Make data more accessible to other users

Path forward

- Evaluating AVEVA Unified Operations Center





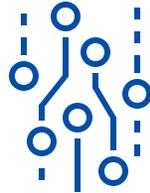
Roadmap

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Reliable
HMI/SCADA

**AVEVA
Operations
Control**



Solid Temporal
& Structured
Data
Architecture

**AVEVA PI
System**



Process and Asset
Performance
Visibility

**AVEVA Predictive
Analytics
&
AVEVA Production
Management***



Overall Pit to
Port Visibility

**AVEVA
Unified
Operations
Center***

* Potential implementations

Recap



Challenge

- Reducing reaction time from event to resolution
- Evolve data foundation and improve robustness
- Users need a real-time view of the operation



Solution

- Implement tools to follow asset health in real-time
- Organize a solid data architecture
- Improve visibility of operations from top to bottom



Results

- Independent control rooms with a centralized data center
- Robust temporal and structured data architecture
- Real-time asset analysis tools
- Unified data visualization tools

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