



Digital Twin Testing and AI-Assisted Search



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About Me

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- UARK 2025
 - Comp. Sci. & Poli. Sci.
- Previously at:

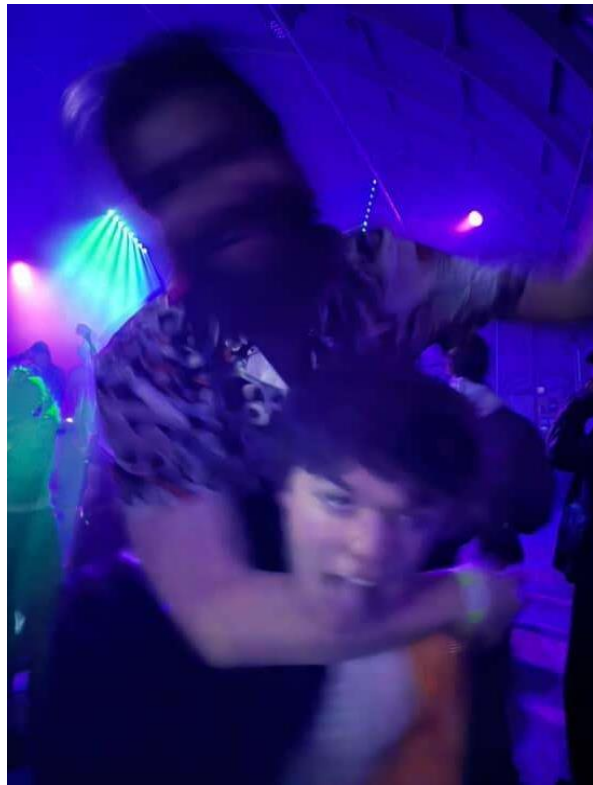

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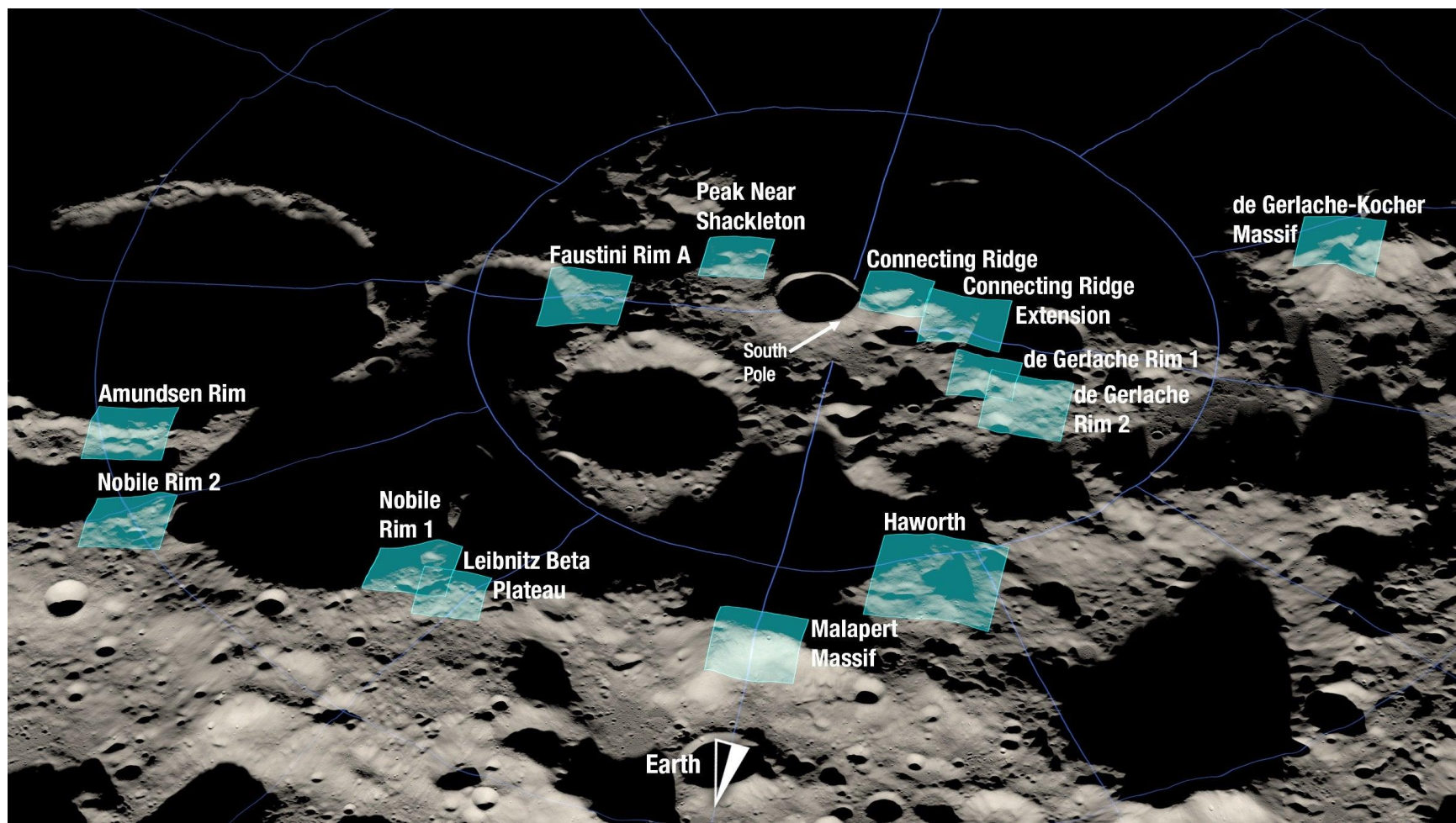
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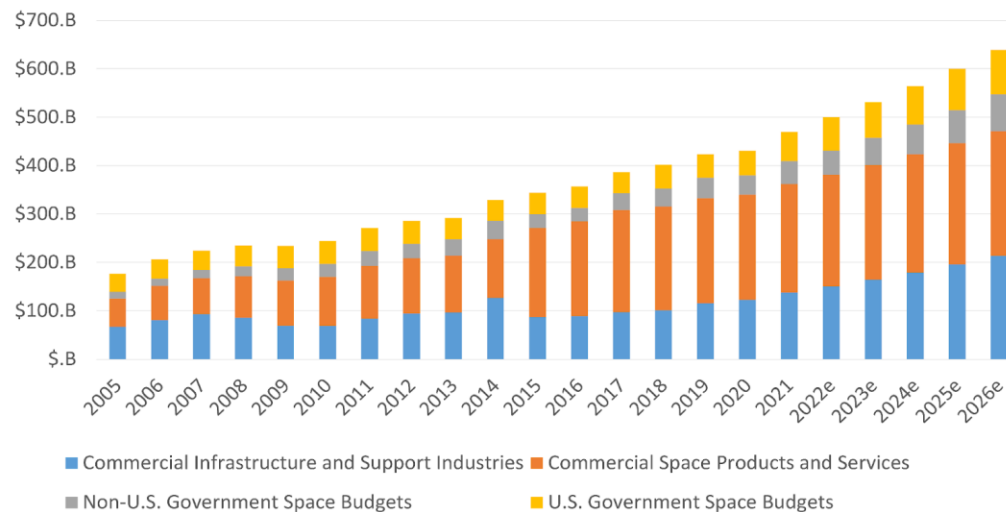


- Emerging Digital Technologies Team @ ConocoPhillips
 - Gen. AI, Digital Twins, IoT
- "AI Analyst"

Project Goals/Web App



Global Space Activity by Category, 2005-2026



Note: Values from 2022 onward are a Space Foundation projection based on historical data.

Source: Space Foundation database

“Space Industry Growth: Where Are the Opportunities in 2022?”
(Space Foundation, 2022)

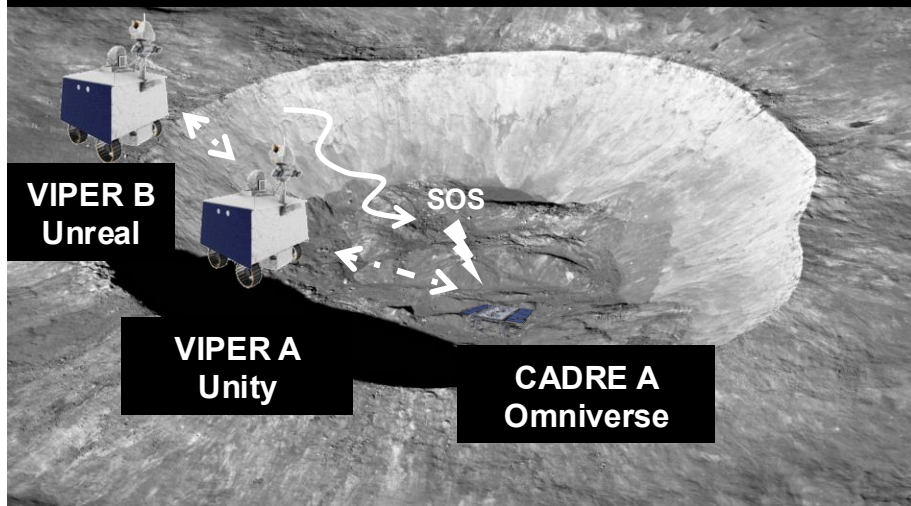
And now a video...

Project Goals

- Spearhead a new "common language", HSML, for Web 3.0
- Provide an easy way to generate HSML-compliant JSON objects
- Prove the HSML API doesn't compromise latency

Use Case Demonstration

USE CASE: ROVER RESCUE MISSION

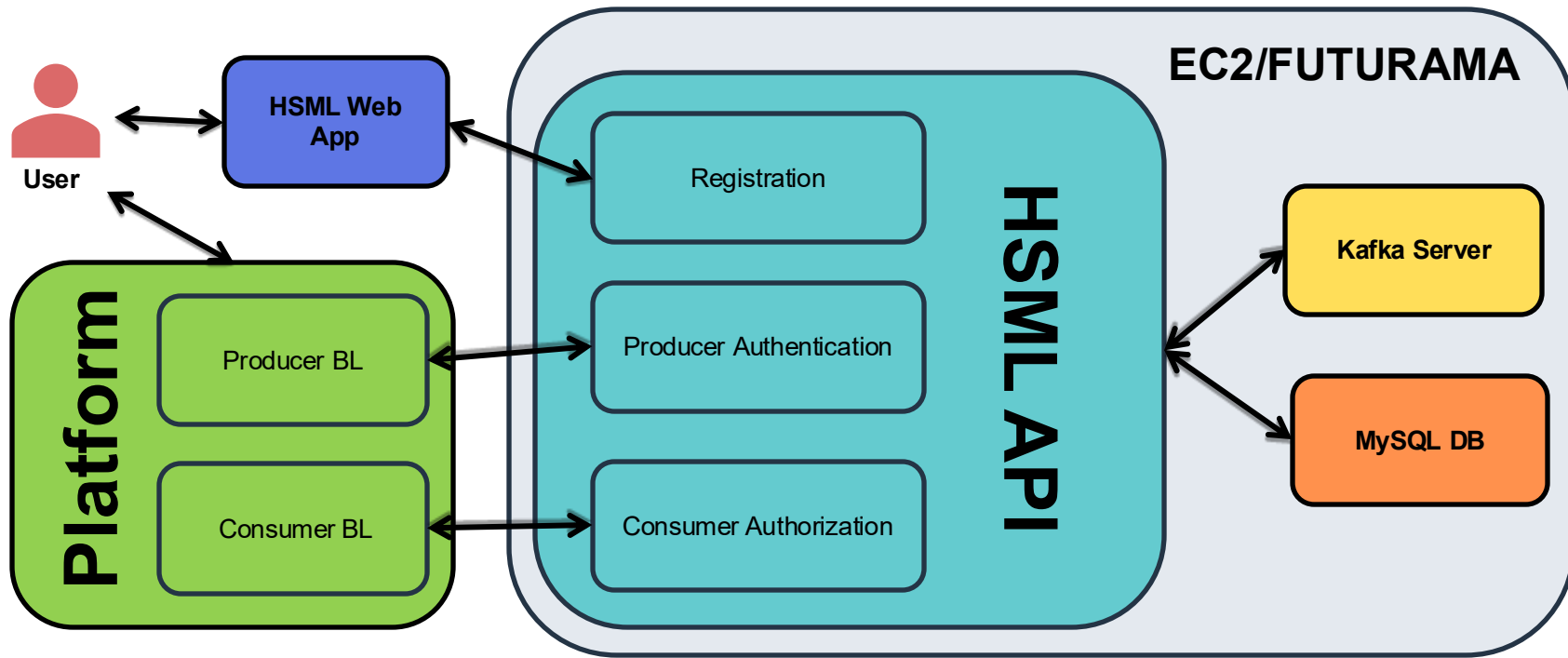


Simulation experiment to be carried out to evaluate the feasibility of the Spatial Web standard in achieving DT interoperability:

- Simulating **multi-agent robotic systems** in a lunar environment
- Testing **interoperability, data trust, and automation** across platforms.
- Demonstrating collaboration possibilities on the Moon, such as **rover assistance scenarios** using Digital Twins

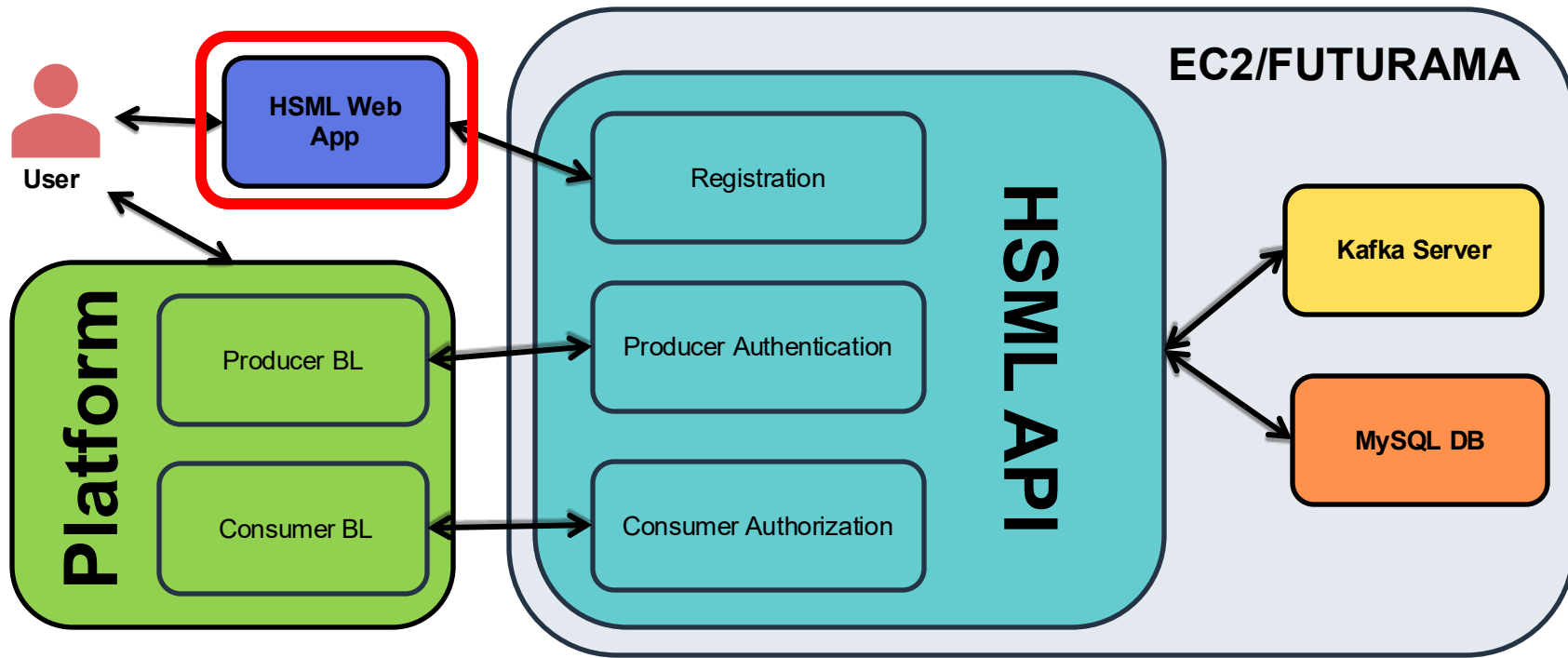
Methodology – HSML API

HSML API ARCHITECTURE

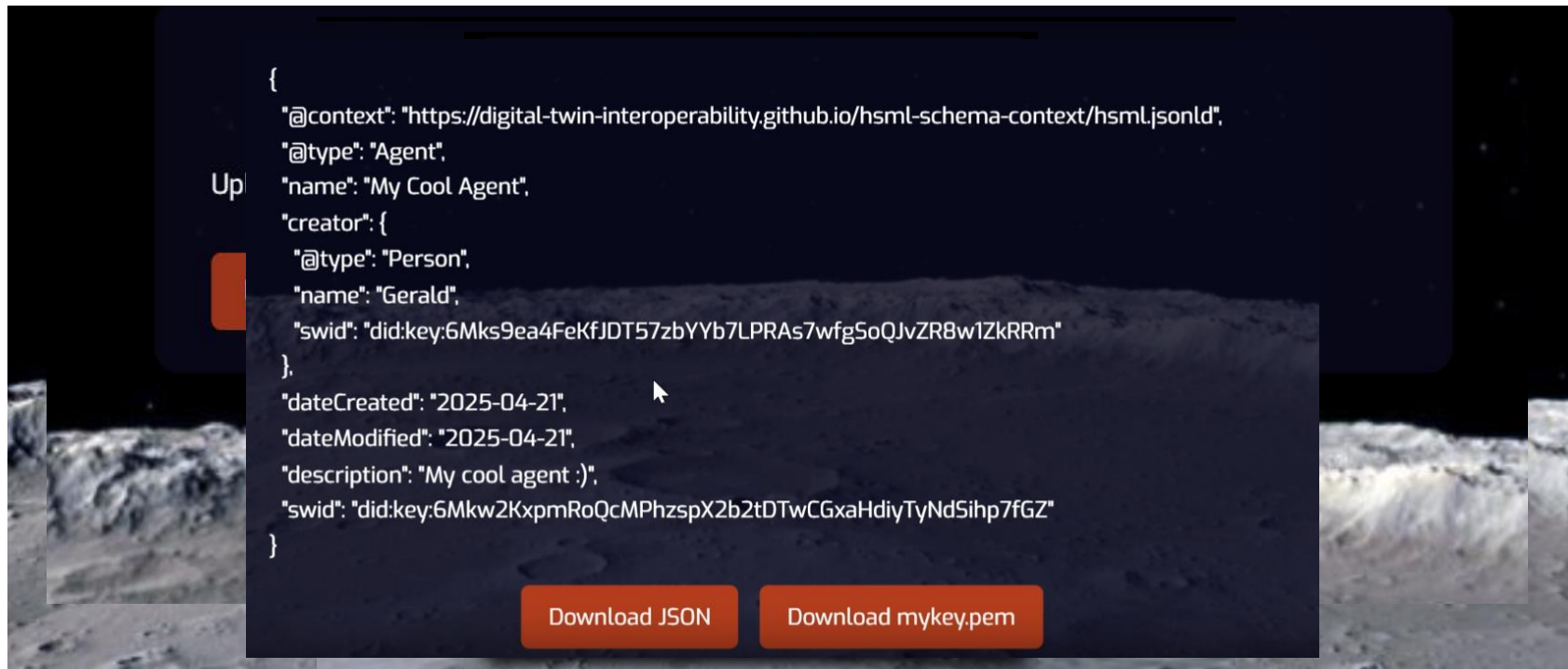


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HSML Web App



The screenshot displays the HSML Web App interface. On the left, a vertical sidebar contains a 'Up' button and a red square icon. The main area shows a JSON schema for an Agent, with a mouse cursor hovering over the 'dateCreated' field. At the bottom, there are two orange buttons: 'Download JSON' and 'Download mykey.pem'. The background of the interface features a dark space scene with a rocky celestial body.

```
{
  "@context": "https://digital-twin-interopability.github.io/hsml-schema-context/hsml.jsonld",
  "@type": "Agent",
  "name": "My Cool Agent",
  "creator": {
    "@type": "Person",
    "name": "Gerald",
    "swid": "did:key:6Mks9ea4FeKfJDT57zbYYb7LPRA57wfgSoQJvZR8w1ZkRRm"
  },
  "dateCreated": "2025-04-21",
  "dateModified": "2025-04-21",
  "description": "My cool agent :)",
  "swid": "did:key:6Mkw2KxpmRoQcMPhzspX2b2tDTwCGxaHdiyTyNd5ihp7fGZ"
}
```

Download JSON Download mykey.pem

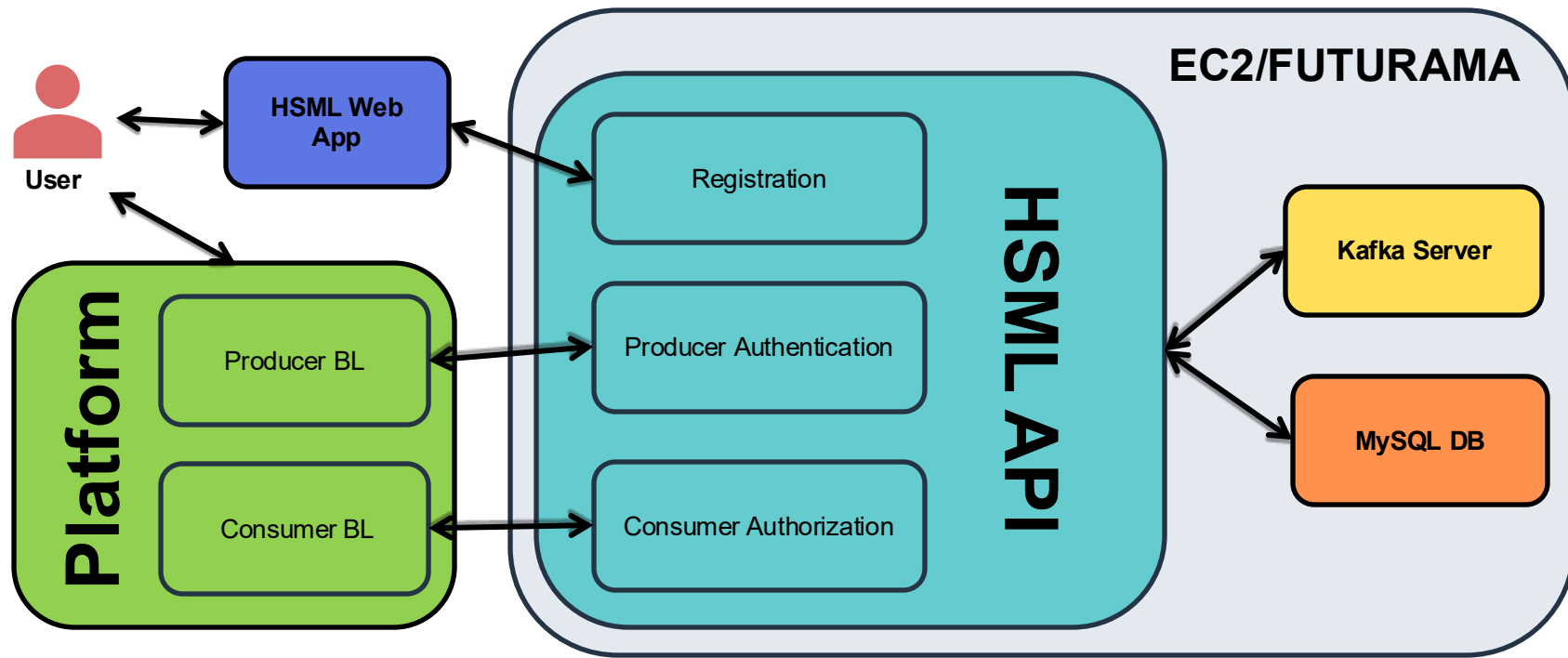


What I used...



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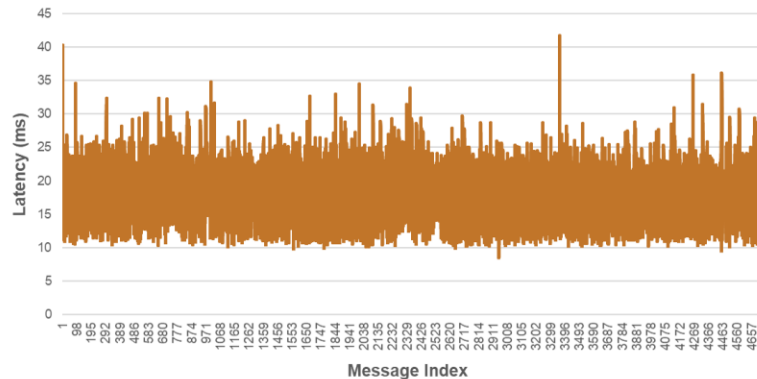
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Latency Testing

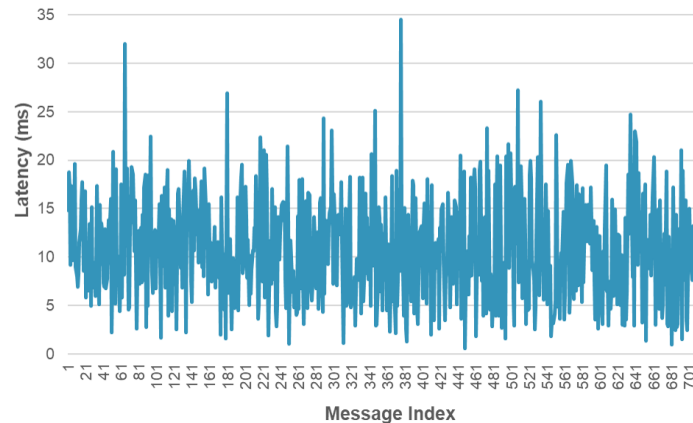
Key Results

LATENCY DIRECTLY THROUGH KAFKA



Average latency = 18.20 ms , Max =41.67 ms,
Min = 8.53 ms, Median = 18.02 ms, Std. dev. = 4.42
ms.

LATENCY WITH HSML API



Average latency = 10.83 ms, Max = 34.54 ms,
Min = 0.60 ms, Median = 10.57 ms, Std. dev. = 5.39
ms.

AI-Assisted Search

PROBLEM: We have a **LOT** of
documentation.

HSML Schema

HSML & the Spatial Web

The **Spatial Web** standard aims to set the guidelines that will define the Web 3.0, a computing environment that will blur the lines between the physical and digital worlds. The Spatial Web is an evolution of the internet, where we move from a 2D environment to a 3D virtual space that will allow people to interact with places, things, and each other (René & Mapes, 2019). To be able to place information spatially and contextually, we require a detailed map that explains how all the different data is related to each other in the system. This is where the **Hyperspace Modeling Language (HSML)** comes into play. HSML is a multi-dimensional ontology for encoding fundamental elements and the relationships between them (IEEE Computer Society, 2024). HSML does for the Spatial Web as HTML does for the WWW.

HSML Ontology Hierarchy

This ontology is composed of different types of elements, also known as **classes**. The highest class in the hierarchy is **Entity**. Entities are the base items used across the Spatial Web in HSML, and all the other classes are subtypes of the Entity base class. These include, but are not limited to, **Activity**, **Agent**, **Contract**, **Channel**, **Credential**, **Domain**, **Hyperspace/Space**, and **Time**

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Fine Search

Fine Search uses an AI router to select the most relevant document for your query.

Embeddings Management

Documents

Using file: README.docx



How many pages are there in the web app, and what do they each do?



There are 7 pages in the HSML Web App:

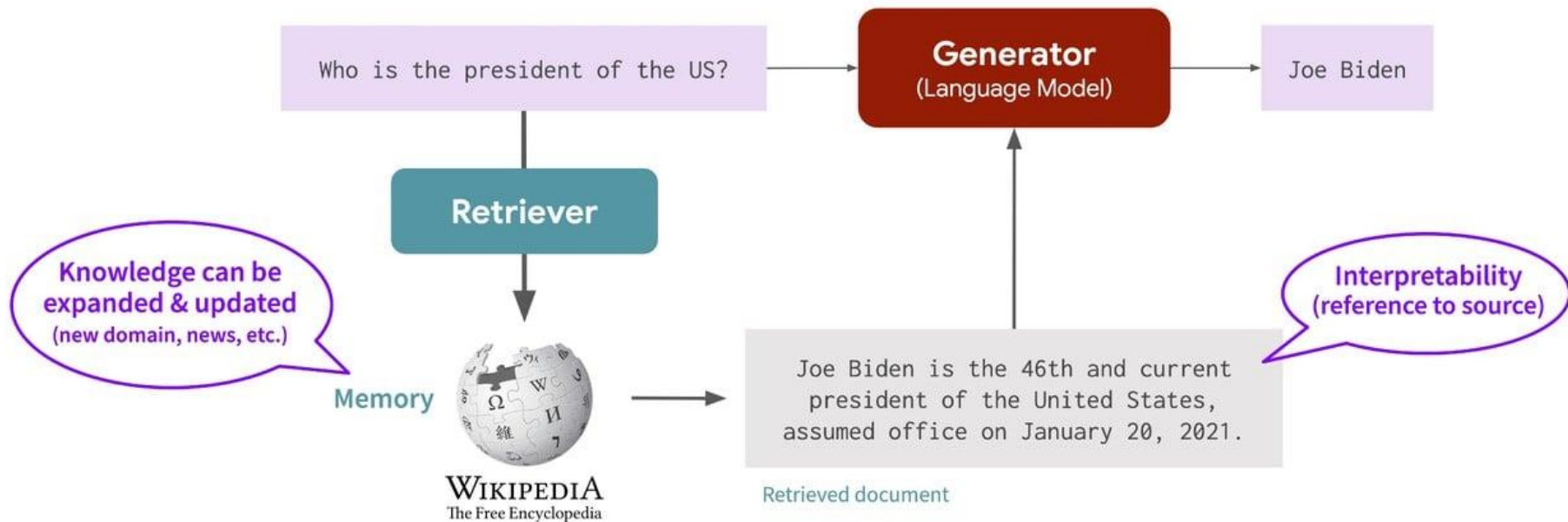
- **index.html**: Allows the user to select between Entity, Credential, and Agent, then routes them to the relevant page.
- **landing.html**: The first page a user sees, prompting them to login or register.
- **login.html**: The login page, which prompts the user to upload a .pem file.
- **register.html**: Prompts the user to create a new Person or Organization object.
- **result.html**: Shows the formatted JSON result and prompts the user to download the associated key.pem file and HSML JSON file.
- **agent.html**: Prompts the user for relevant fields, then sends them to `result.html`.
- **credential.html**: Prompts the user for relevant fields, then sends them to `result.html`.
- **entity.html**: Prompts the user for relevant fields, then sends them to `result.html`.

Ask me anything...







Retrieval augmentation



Features

- Model Agnostic
 - Natively supports: Gemma 3 27B, Gemma 3 4B, LLaMa 3.2 3B, and OpenAI Suite (ex. GPT 4.1)
- Bring your own files
 - **AI Indexing Agent:** Assigns keywords to each new document
- "Broad Search" vs "Fine Search"
 - **Broad:** Search the combined DB
 - **Fine:** Search the doc-specific DB
 - **AI Routing Agent:** Determines most relevant DB






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 Documents 

testingGuide.pdf — Keywords: Digital Twins, Interoperability, Kafka, FUTURAMA, EC2, HSML, Omniverse Isaac Sim, Unity, USD, Topics

README.docx — Keywords: HSML, web app, CSS, HTML, API, JSON, Python, templates, .env, file structure

hsmlSchemaDoc.docx — Keywords: Digital Twins, Interoperability, Spatial Web, HSML, Ontology, Entity, Activity, WWW, Virtual Space, Hyperspace Modeling Language

Clear all Keywords

Under the Hood

- Python
- Streamlit
 - Easy to style, easy to write, quick turnaround times
- LangChain
 - Retrieves 3 (fine) or 5 (broad) chunks, then sends relevant info to AI Answerer
 - **Chunks:** Sections of user-submitted text (1000 tokens = approx. 500 words, with 200 token overlap)
- LM Studio

```
245 st.sidebar.header("📁 Upload document")
246 uploaded = st.sidebar.file_uploader("PDF or DOCX", type=["pdf","docx"])
247 if uploaded:
248     name      = uploaded.name
249     raw       = uploaded.getbuffer()
250     new_hash  = hashlib.sha256(raw).hexdigest()
251     prev      = registry.get(name, {})
252
253     if prev.get("hash") != new_hash:
254         with open(name, "wb") as f:
255             f.write(raw)
256
257         loader    = Docx2txtLoader if name.lower().endswith(".docx") else PyPDFLoader
258         splitter  = RecursiveCharacterTextSplitter(chunk_size=1000, chunk_overlap=200)
259         docs      = splitter.split_documents(loader(name).load())
260         for d in docs:
261             d.metadata["source"] = name
262
263         embedder  = DedicatedEmbeddings()
264         faiss_db  = FAISS.from_documents(docs, embedder)
265         save_faiss_index(faiss_db, name)
```

Status: Running

Settings

Reachable at: <http://127.0.0.1:1234>

READY

11m [gemma-3-27b-it-qat](#)

Idle TTL 60 min Size 16.43 GB

Supported endpoints (OpenAI-like)

GET /v1/models

POST /v1/chat/completions

POST /v1/completions

POST /v1/embeddings

Clear logs

Developer Logs

```
[INFO] [gemma-3-27b-it-qat] Generated prediction: {
  "id": "chatcmpl-cxddj3uwg0de1s1jq5k7g9",
  "object": "chat.completion",
  "created": 1746119989,
  "model": "gemma-3-27b-it-qat",
  "choices": [
    {
      "index": 0,
      "logprobs": null,
      "finish_reason": "stop",
      "message": {
        "role": "assistant",
        "content": "There are 7 pages in the HSML Web App:\n\n* **index.html:** Allows the user to select between Entity, Credential, and Agent, then routes them to the relevant page.\n\n* **landing.html:** The first page a user sees, prompting them to login or register.\n\n* **login.html:** The login page, which prompts the user to upload a .pem file.\n\n* **register.html:** Prompts the user to create a new Person or Organization object.\n\n* **result.html:** Shows the formatted JSON result and prompts the user to download the associated key.pem file and HSML JSON file.\n\n* **agent.html:** Prompts the user for relevant fields, then sends them to 'result.html'.\n\n* **credential.html:** Prompts the user for relevant fields, then sends them to 'result.html'.\n\n* **entity.html:** Prompts the user for relevant fields, then sends them to 'result.html'."
      }
    }
  ],
  "usage": {
    "prompt_tokens": 501,
    "completion_tokens": 214,
    "total_tokens": 715
  },
  "stats": {},
  "system_fingerprint": "gemma-3-27b-it-qat"
}
```

Info

Context

Inference

Load

Model Information

Model

1mstudio-community/gemma-3-27b-it-qat-GGUF

File

[gemma-3-27b-it-Q4_0.gguf](#)

Format

GGUF

Quantization

Q4_0

Arch

[gemma3](#)

Domain

11m

Size on disk

16.43 GB

API Usage

This model's API identifier

[gemma-3-27b-it-qat](#)

The local server is reachable at this address

<http://127.0.0.1:1234>

What's Next

- Follow Transitive Data
 - "See Page 4 of Document XYZ"
- AI Chunk Citation
 - AI can leave an in-text citation, telling you exactly what paragraph it received it's info from with a link to the relevant document
- Embeddings Optimization
 - Currently: Nomic
- Prompt Engineering
 - Little changes can mean big performance boosts
 - Anecdote: 50% reduction in hallucination from "My best guess is..."

Lessons Learned

- Test while you develop
 - Digital Twins: Developed the left half only to find out it didn't connect with the right half
- Hallucinations Set You Back
 - AI-generated code can lose/break functionality once the codebase is large enough
- Communicate frequently
 - Large team (seven interns!), primarily remote, requires frequent communication
- Appreciate the moment
 - LA is a once-in-a-lifetime experience, there's still so much I want to do
- Be there for family
 - Ambition must be balanced with presence

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Questions?