## Web-Based Electronic Logbook

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#### **Outline**

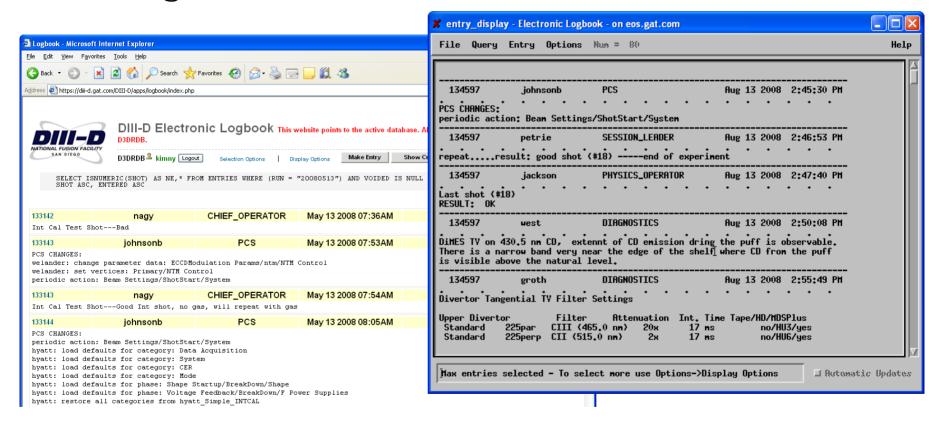
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### Electronic logbook stores critical information

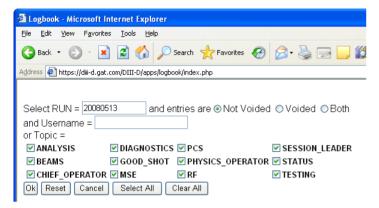
- The electronic logbook is used to record comments and summaries about shots and experiments during operations. These entries are stored in D3DRDB.
- The main electronic logbook application has been entry\_display, an IDL application released in the mid 1990's.
- The electronic logbook idea, database schema, entry\_display and the web-based logbook all came from MIT. Currently they are using the web version which has been used more extensively, both locally and remotely since its release in 2004.

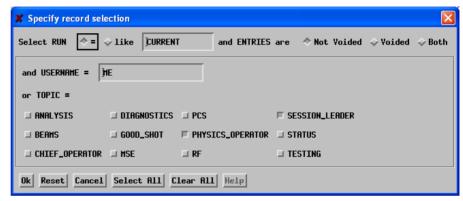
#### Logbook website includes all features of entry\_display

Viewing the latest entries

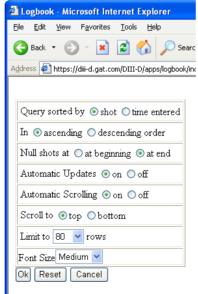


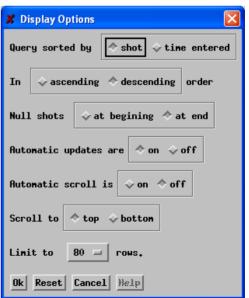
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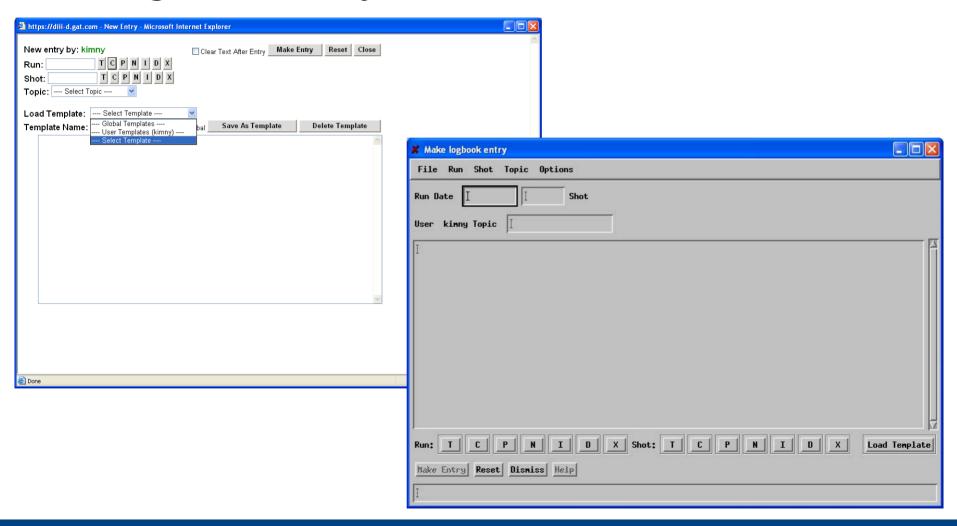


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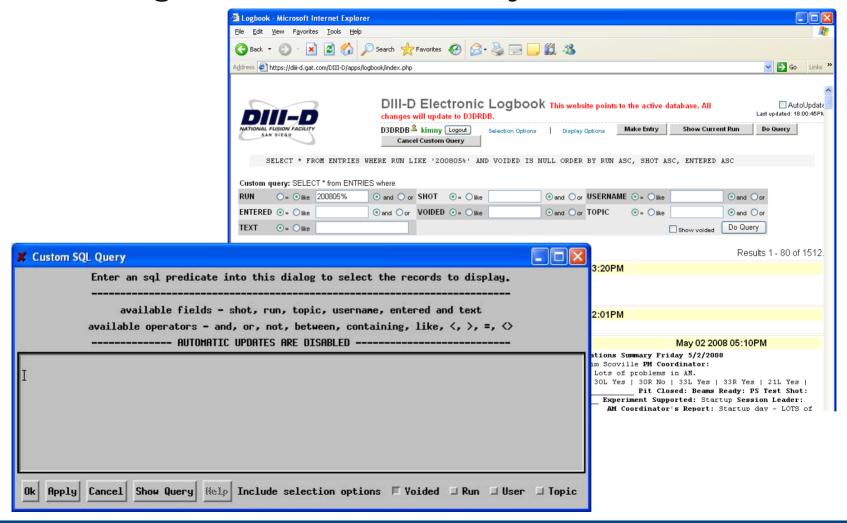




## Making a new entry

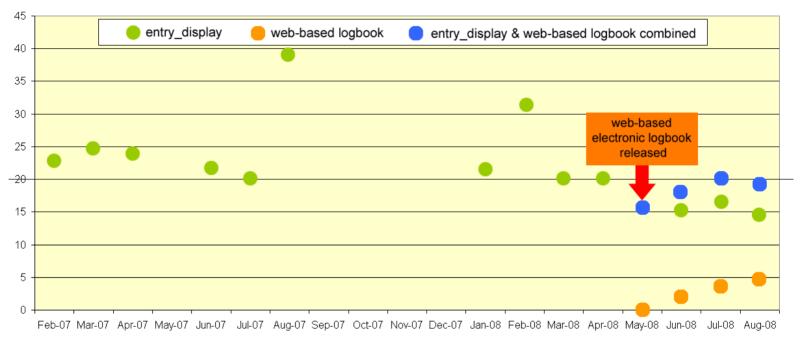


Executing a custom SQL Query



### DIII-D logbook website usages is expected to grow over time





#### <diii-d.gat.com>

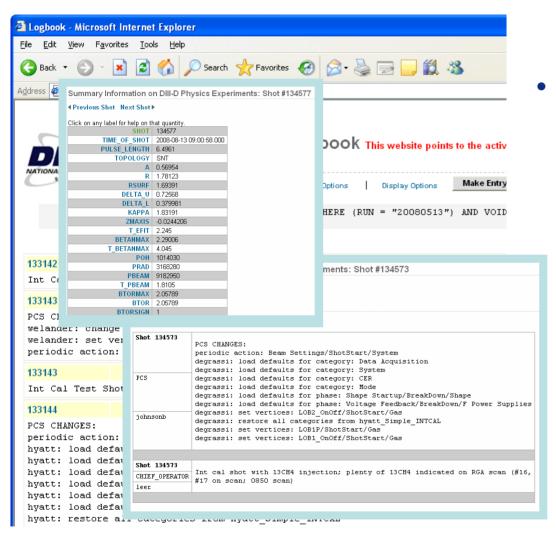
- Red Hat release 5.2
- Apache 2.2.3
- PHP 5.1.6

### The web interface allows easy access and navigation

DIII-D Electronic Logbook  No D3DRDB user logged in. Your D3DRDB account information can be found in the file "D3DRDB.sybase_login" in your home directory on L  Username: Password: Login Print Format  SELECT ISNUMERIC (SHOT) AS NE,* FROM ENTRIES WHERE (RUN = "20080513") AND VOIDED IS NULL ORDER BY NE DESC , RUN				
SHOT ASC, ENTERED ASC				
				Results 1 - 75 of 75
133142	nagy	CHIEF_OPERATOR	May 13 2008 07:36AM	
Int Cal Test ShotBad				
133143	johnsonb	PCS	May 13 2008 07:53AM	
PCS CHANGES: welander: change parameter data: ECCDModulation Params/ntm/NTM Control welander: set vertices: Primary/NTM Control periodic action: Beam Settings/ShotStart/System				
133143	nagy	CHIEF_OPERATOR	May 13 2008 07:54AM	

 Anyone with a DIII-D web access account can view the latest entries of the electronic logbook from anywhere.

## The web version has much more capabilities than were present in the IDL version



Users can navigate from the logbook entries to more details on shot and run information including mini-proposals, schedule, data documentation, or any other information already on a different website or stored in the database.

## The logbook keeps constant communication with other sources to deliver the most updated results

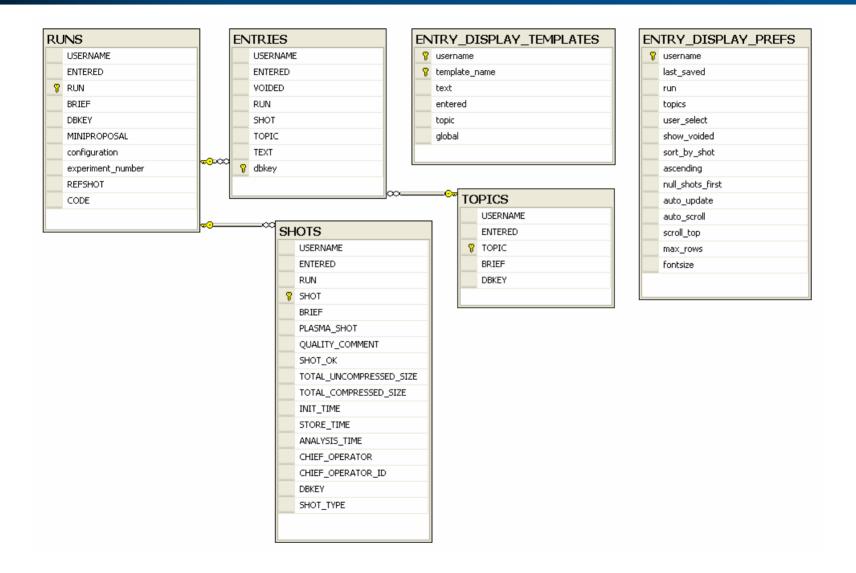
### Automatic update

 The website includes a listener which triggers the website to refresh whenever there is a new update.

#### Centralized data

 The website communicates with the database to gather the requested information, organize the result and then display it.

- Index.php
  - Main page where data is parsed & displayed
- logbook\_dbconnect.php
  - Handles connections to the database
  - Defines default DB user
- MdsPlus.jar
  - Start the MDSplus event listener for DB updates
- CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) & image files



## Client-side: website triggers a listener to connect to the MDSplus event server to provide the latest information

- Every update made on the logbook website or on entry\_display sets a new event on the MDSplus event server.
  - New entries
  - Updated entries
  - Deleted entries

```
$handle=mdsplus_connect($event_server);
mdsplus_value($handle,'setevent("LOGBOOK_ENTRY")');
mdsplus_disconnect($handle);
```

MDSplus PHP extension is available at <a href="https://www.mdsplus.org">www.mdsplus.org</a>

 The event listener notifies the web page to reload when a new event is set.  The event listener notifies the web page to reload when a new event is set.

# Server-side: PHP communicates with the database in order to organize the requested content

 PHP includes a built-in set of functions for accessing MS SQL Server database.

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mssql bind — Adds a parameter to a stored
procedure or a remote stored procedure
mssql close — Close MS SQL Server connection
mssgl_connect — Open MS SQL server connection
mssql_data_seek — Moves internal row pointer
mssal execute — Executes a stored procedure on a
MS SOL server database
mssql_fetch_array — Fetch a result row as an
associative array, a numeric array, or both
mssql fetch assoc — Returns an associative array of
the current row in the result
mssql_fetch_batch — Returns the next batch of
records
mssql fetch field — Get field information
mssql fetch object — Fetch row as object
mssgl fetch row — Get row as enumerated array
mssal field length — Get the length of a field
mssql field name — Get the name of a field
mssql_field_seek — Seeks to the specified field offset
mssql_field_type — Gets the type of a field
mssql free result — Free result memory
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mssgl free statement — Free statement memory
mssgl get last message — Returns the last message from
the server
mssql guid string — Converts a 16 byte binary GUID to a
string
mssql_init — Initializes a stored procedure or a remote
stored procedure
mssql_min_error_severity — Sets the minimum error severity
mssql min message severity — Sets the minimum
message severity
mssql_next_result — Move the internal result pointer to the
next result
mssal num fields — Gets the number of fields in result
mssal num rows — Gets the number of rows in result
mssql pconnect — Open persistent MS SQL connection
mssql query — Send MS SQL query
mssql result — Get result data
mssql rows affected — Returns the number of records
affected by the query
mssql select db — Select MS SQL database
```

 Using this extension, connecting to the database and executing queries are as simple as...

```
$c= mssql_connect('D3DRDB.gat.com:8001',$usr,$pw);
mssql_select_db('[D3DRDB]');
$r=mssql_query("select_max(run) as mrun from RUNS");
$maxrun=$r['mrun'];
mssql_close($c);
```

 Using the appropriate queries or by executing stored procedures on the database, PHP can gather data from multiple tables into one variable.

## Logbook website provides multiple layer of protection to provide a secure working environment.

#### Access to the website - Apache authentication

- <diii-d.gat.com> is SSL enabled, providing a secure communication on the Internet.
- Once authenticated, the website logs into the database using a generic database account with very limited access.
- Users can view the latest entries from that day. They will not be able to make any updates.

#### Updates to the database - D3DRDB authorization

- Making updates or entering new entries require more permissions than the generic DB account.
- Each users has to login a 2<sup>nd</sup> time, with their own D3DRDB database accounts.
- If they have the correct permission settings on the database, they will be able to make updates.

Input validation to avoid SQL injection.

Username:

a'; DROP TABLE entries; SELECT \* FROM runs WHERE username = 'a

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<input type="text" name="usr">
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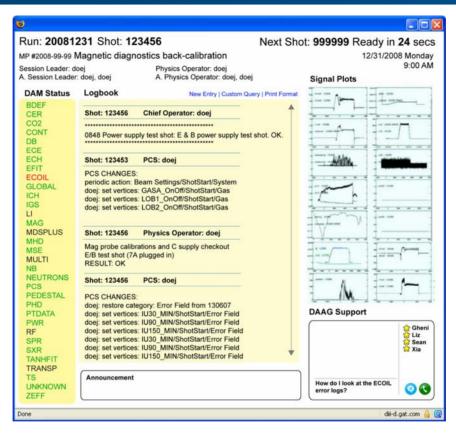
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1  $c=mssql_connect('D3DRDB.gat.com:8001',$usr,$pw);
2  mssql_select_db('[d3drdb]');
3  $i_usr=$_POST('usr');
4  $r=mssql_query("SELECT * FROM entries WHERE username='" + $i_usr+ "';");

SELECT * FROM entries WHERE username = 'a';
    DROP TABLE entries;
    SELECT * FROM runs WHERE username = 'a';
```

Tighten user permission on the database-end.

## Logbook has the potential to become faster, more efficient and provide more useful data.

- state.html, state.js
  - Displays tokamak states: 'Starting', 'Standby', 'Cooldown', 'Test', 'Recool', 'Init', 'Check', 'Pulse', 'Abort', 'Unknown'
  - Displays countdown times for each shot.
  - Needs proper MDSplus events to be set
- MIT is currently working towards replacing the java applet which drives the updates with javascript Ajax-like scripting to eliminate the need to utilize additional ports on the web server.
  - Port 8001: MDSplus event listener, MSSQL connections
  - Port 80: http
  - Port 443: https



 New DIII-D Operations Web Portal - A way for session leaders or others to access a variety of information from one place