

The AVEVA logo is displayed in the top left corner of the page. It consists of the word "AVEVA" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The letter "V" is stylized with a horizontal line through its center. The background of the top half of the page is a photograph of a woman in a yellow hard hat and an orange safety vest working on a laptop in an industrial setting. The lighting is dim, with some equipment visible in the background.

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AVEVA™ BI Gateway

Transforming industrial data into actionable information

People, processes, and devices – every day they generate masses of time-series and plant-floor transactional data, yet without operational and business context the value of this data is limited. The key to remaining competitive is to unlock this industrial data and quickly transform it into business relevant information that is available across the organization. Intelligence provides the self-service access to actionable intelligence that helps drive sustained performance improvements across your organization.

Summary

BI Gateway is an enterprise manufacturing intelligence (EMI) solution that automates the extraction, transformation and storage of operational KPIs, metrics and related contextual information across multiple data sources.

Delivering user-friendly analytics and dashboard-based monitoring of metrics enables workers and decision makers across the organization to make informed assessments quickly and confidently.

Business value

- Empower operational stakeholders to improve plant performance by visualizing and analyzing critical metrics information in near real-time
- Unlock the data trapped in multiple spreadsheets and disparate plant operational systems to automatically create relevant reports that reflect performance measures in line with your overall business strategy
- Gain new insights into optimization potentials that may be hidden in disconnected functional domains or separate datasets
- Maximize the ROI on your industrial investment by creating a single version the truth across your plant floor and enterprise systems and providing context for more transparency into operations

BI Gateway improves operational efficiency, asset utilization and sustainability through increased transparency and decision-making support.

It adds the information and insight you need to understand the true cost and profit contributions from your operations. By providing a single version of truth across the organization, stakeholders can better align with business targets and make better decisions, faster.

Users can synthesize and map performance data, compare OEE metrics from multiple sites, and track performance against the metrics that matter most.

And with powerful visualization and analysis tools, Intelligence helps users to improve performance across the entire process.

Use your data to maintain competitiveness

Industrial operations leverage multiple software systems and spreadsheets to manage day-to-day operations in an effective and secure manner. These systems each generate large data sets due to process speed and product flow. Common examples include: process data, alarm data, material, production, consumption, execution and asset utilization logs, quality information, energy usage, and operational costs.

As a result, companies have large amounts of data in multiple silos, and are unable to create timely and relevant reports. This means they cannot accurately reflect, or understand, operational performance in relation to their strategic objectives.

Using spreadsheets to calculate and analyze metrics is not effective. Frequently generated after the fact, spreadsheets quickly become too hard to sustain and too complex for collaborative use across an operation.

Overcoming the Industrial data challenge

BI Gateway addresses the challenge of handling industrial big data using a standard, off-the-shelf software approach.

BI Gateway as an Enterprise Manufacturing Intelligence (EMI) / Operational Intelligence (OI) solution is the Intelligence enterprise manufacturing intelligence (EMI) / operational intelligence (OI) solution is an easy to use, non-disruptive solution for operational data analysis and information management.

Extract, transform and store a history of operational performance metrics from both time stamp and relational structured data sources. Continual metric calculations ensure you have an always-up-to-date, accurate picture of your operational performance.

Increase ROI of your industrial IT investment

Instead of replacing your existing plant floor and enterprise solutions, BI Gateway supplements these systems by adding the information, context and insight necessary to drive operational and financial improvements across your entire business.

BI Gateway offers a cost effective way to replace the various worksheets and custom reporting applications a plant or enterprise may use to measure operational metrics. By utilizing a sustainable, common-use information model, Intelligence provides an always up to date “single version of the truth” and enables self-service access to information.

Suitable for any industry, BI Gateway continuously computes the critical metrics to determine current plant, multi-plant or infrastructure performance. Unlike traditional business intelligence tools which typically refresh daily- at best – the system provides near real-time visibility of progress against your chosen metrics.

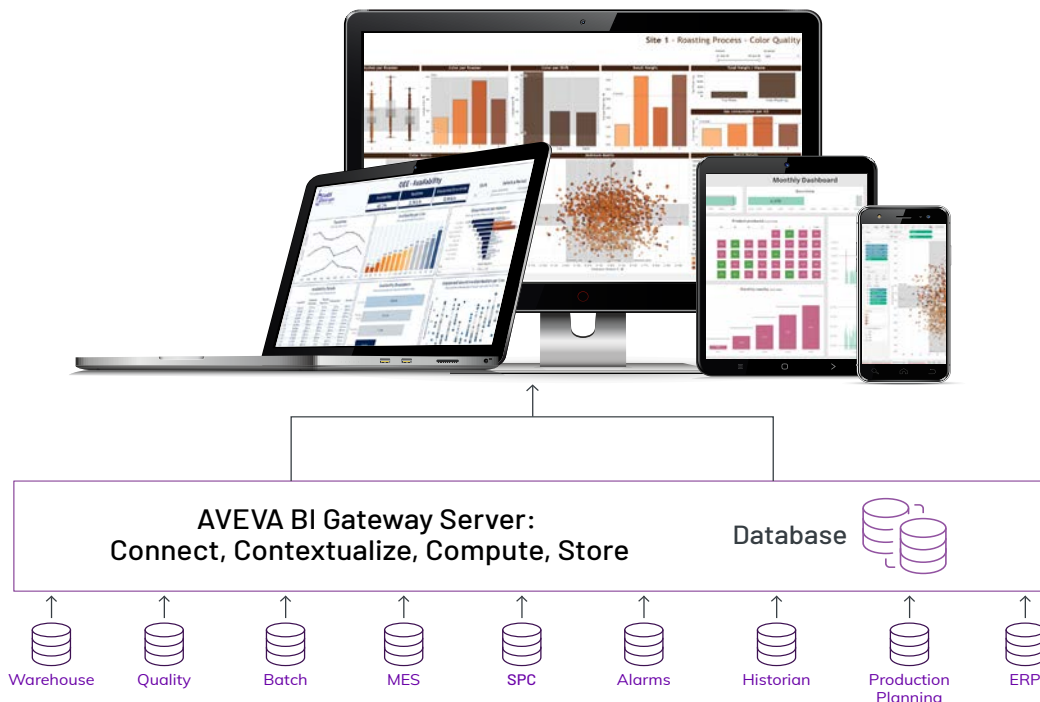
Whether your data comes from your AVEVA system, a process historian, MES, ERP, LIMS or other enterprise or custom legacy application, BI Gateway effectively bridges the IT/OT gap. By providing an information model that data warehouses and enterprise business intelligence tools need, the Intelligence system is able to continually assess your data and automatically calculate the KPIs needed to effectively run your business.

Drive effective collaboration

Information visibility at the right time empowers workers and operations decision makers to change the way they plan, schedule or act. Intelligence relates data for a holistic view across different core functions, domains and operations, regardless of where the data resides. This automated data contextualization process helps to:

- Identify and standardize best practices
- Align operational behavior with business targets
- Eliminate ineffective and expensive data extraction and transformation tasks
- Reduce time to action

The ability to analyze metrics in context creates insights to optimize margins (e.g. for business unit operations), to minimize costs with optimized use of energy and raw materials, or to improve operational efficiencies with improved throughput, quality, and asset utilization. This helps foster a performance and improvement oriented culture across the enterprise.



BI Gateway server

BI Gateway server provides the core services managing the acquisition, aggregation and persistence of operational metrics across connected data sources 24/7.

The software uniquely manages contextualization of information across multiple sources of time stamp and relational data, and stores extracted information in a data store optimized for retrieval. Data sources include AVEVA applications (AVEVA MES, Batch Management, Historian, etc.); enterprise data and third-party sources such as historians, MES, HMI/SCADA; and other plant systems.

Configurable information model

BI Gateway's Information Model is configured and structured using three components:

- Data sources, defining the access to the source system, including type, location and authentication
- Measures, defining the metric calculations to be performed
- Dimensions, defining the context added to measures, such as lot ids, shifts, reason codes, etc

After deployment of the Intelligence model, the software fills a data store by extracting historical data from connected data sources and keeping it current by refreshing information periodically or based on external event triggers. Historical data is loaded in reverse chronological order so users can start analyzing the most recent history instantly, while the system builds the full history for the specified timeframe and resolution.

BI Gateway Server is highly scalable, and can be established in a hierarchical data structure for aggregating multiple databases into one data store.

Data store

All metrics and context information is maintained and persisted in an open information model (Microsoft SQL Server Database). It provides a single version of the truth that people, data warehouses and enterprise business intelligence tools need to make strategic sense out of industrial or production data.

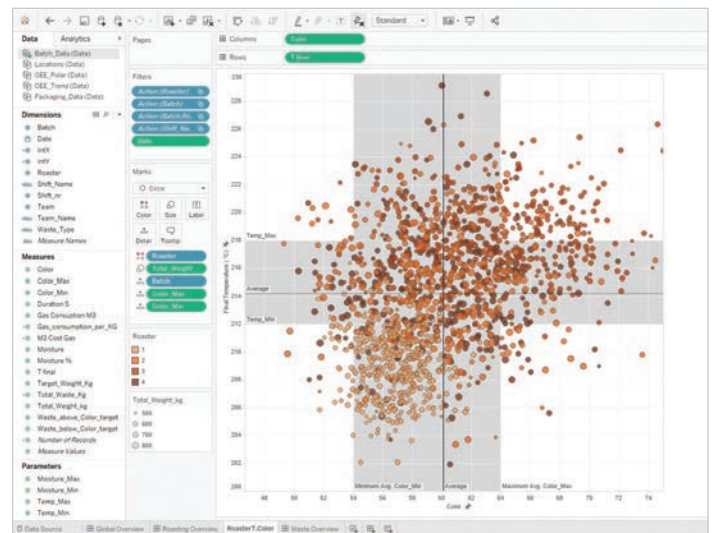
The database is optimized for retrieval and provides open, flexible access with BI Gateway Clients (see below), or for any of your preferred analytics, business intelligence (BI), reporting, or client tools, such as Microsoft Power BI, code192 Alpana, Qlik, SAP Business Objects, just to name a few.

BI Gateway Analytics – powered by Tableau Software

For customers looking for intuitive tools, BI Gateway offers integrated access with Tableau®, an award winning, easy to use data visualization tool, empowering people to create and publish personalized charts, interactive reports and dashboards for collaboration. This self-reliant approach perfectly complements BI Gateway and empowers, your industrial and operations employees without needing to turn them into IT experts.

Bi Gateway Analytics Client

BI Gateway Analytics Client (Tableau Desktop) for enables users to quickly visualize and analyze Intelligence data with simple drag and drop capabilities. Several data visualization objects are available: grids, charts (line, bar, pie, bullet), maps (geographical, heat, tree) and more, all helping to understand the information at a glance or to perform root cause analysis. With a few additional clicks, users can layout and publish interactive dashboards that feature drill-down capabilities.





BI Gateway Dashboard Server

BI Gateway Dashboard Server provides viewing access to published dashboards, (Tableau Server for Intelligence). Users can browse and navigate the Intelligence data as personalized content, featuring the same visualization and drill down analysis capabilities as the Analytics Client.

High performance data management secures fast response times, even when handling large volumes of Industrial Big Data. Support for several web browsers and mobile devices provides access to Intelligence dashboards anytime, anywhere. Intelligence offers “out-of-the-box content” as preconfigured information models and dashboard content for several AVEVA software applications, including AVEVA MES Software, Batch Management, and the System Platform Historical Alarm database. This content allows a user to be up and running in minutes, delivering new insights and immediate value immediately after installation.



BI Gateway functionality in the cloud

AVEVA™ Insight is a cost-effective software-as-a-service (SaaS) solution that drives operational continuity and improve performance. Best of all, it's simple to set-up, manage and use -without additional IT infrastructure or staffing. AVEVA Insight enables you to quickly turn the data sitting in new and existing industrial assets and processes into a live information feed for decision support.

Enjoy seamless, automatic updates and scalability for your business needs. Translate time-series data into intuitive charts and dashboards. Enable faster, more informed decision making for all users, with up-to-date newsfeeds, intelligence, and alerts.

Adding BI Gateway to AVEVA Insight enables companies to:

- Better understand their business – know what’s happening, what has happened, and what is likely to happen with immediate access to relevant data.
- Unlock your operational data from the control room and make it accessible when and where your people need it
- Empower people to become active participants in real-time work streams and enhance collaboration between teams
- Bridge the IT/OT gap and share critical process information with business and finance teams
- Expose hidden opportunities for reducing operational costs, increasing asset performance and driving better production results

Technical specifications

BI Gateway

Data Adapters

- AVEVA Historian adapter
- AVEVA eDNA adapter
- AVEVA Insight adapter
- OSIsoft PI Server OLEDB adapter (requires OSI PI Data Access with PI OLEDB provider)
- Microsoft SQL Server adapter
- Microsoft Azure SQL Server adapter
- Oracle data adapter
- Text File adapter (CSV format)

Model Builder

- Web Browsers
 - Chrome
 - Microsoft Edge Chromium
 - Mozilla Firefox

Server

- System Requirements
 - Windows Server 2016 Standard or Data Center Edition
 - Windows Server 2019 Standard or Data Center Edition
- Database Requirements
 - Microsoft SQL Server 2016 in Standard or Enterprise Edition
 - Microsoft SQL Server 2019 in Standard or Enterprise Edition

BI Gateway Analytics (Powered by Tableau Software)

- Connectors: BI Gateway Analytics provide connectivity to the following data sources (strictly in conjunction with Intelligence Server):
 - Microsoft Azure SQL Data Warehouse (Azure Synapse Analytics)

- Microsoft Excel
- Microsoft SQL Server
- Microsoft SQL Server Analysis Services
- Data
- Spatial Data
- Tableau Data Extract
- Text files

- Analytics Client supports Microsoft Windows 7 or newer (x64), macOS High Sierra 10.13, macOS Mojave 10.14 and macOS Catalina 10.15

- System Requirements
- 2 GB memory
- 1.5 GB minimum free disk space
- CPUs must support SSE4.2 and POPCNT instruction sets

- Dashboard Server support information access through major web browsers and apps for mobile device platforms

- Web Browsers
- Chrome on Windows, Mac, and Android
- Microsoft Edge & Internet Explorer 11 on Windows. Compatibility mode for Internet Explorer is not supported.
- Mozilla Firefox & Firefox ESR on Windows and Mac
- Apple Safari on Mac and iOS 11.3 or later
- System Requirements
- Microsoft Windows Server 2012, 2012 R2, 2016, 2019 (x64)
- Amazon Linux 2, Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 7.3 and higher (not 8.x), CentOS 7.3+ (not 8.x), Debian 9.0+, Oracle Linux 7.3+ (not 8.x), Ubuntu 16.04 LTS and 18.04 LTS on x 64 chipsets
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Customer support and services

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