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**REIMAGINING CLINICAL DATA EXPLORATION: ANIMATED DATA
VISUALIZATIONS FOR INTERACTIVE CLINICAL TRIAL STORYTELLING**

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AGENDA

- Introduction
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- Methodology
- User Interface Walkthrough
- Key Features
- Benefits and Applications
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- Summary & Takeaways



INTRODUCTION

- The exploration of clinical trial data has historically depended on fixed tables, listings, and figures, limiting the ability to intuitively understand how datasets change across study milestones
- Recent advances in interactive and animated data visualization provide an opportunity to transform how clinical data is reviewed and conveyed through dynamic and engaging visual stories.
- This tool introduces an animated, interactive dashboard for exploring the progression of clinical datasets across different versions, allowing us to observe changes in data over time.



OVERVIEW

- Reviewing multiple dataset versions can be time-consuming and complex.
- We developed an **interactive Streamlit dashboard** for **animated exploration** of clinical trial data changes.

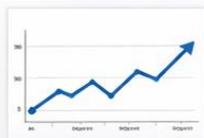


- ▶ Enhance QC Reviews
- ▶ Visualize Dataset Changes

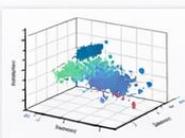
Key Features of the Dashboard



**Animated Variable
Distributions**



**Metric Trends
& Missing Data**



PCA Projections



Change Summaries



Metadata Compliance



METHODOLOGY

An interactive dashboard was created utilizing a modular framework to facilitate the visualization of the evolution of datasets across various versions.

The system integrates:

- **Streamlit** for the interactive user interface
- **Plotly** for animated and interactive visualizations
- **Scikit-learn** for multivariate analysis, including Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
- **Image export utilities** to generate GIF and MP4 animations for offline use



USER INTERFACE

From Tables to Timelines: Visual Storytelling of Clinical Dataset Evolution

Upload multiple dataset versions (CSV/Excel) and analyze evolution as:

- ✓ Animated **Raw plots** + export to MP4/GIF
- ✓ Animated **Trend mode** (dataset-wise metrics) + export to MP4/GIF
- ✓ **Summary**: Cols/Rows changes & Change Locator ✓ PCA evolution + interpretation
- ✓  Comparison Insights
- ✓  Metadata & Compliance checks

 Upload multiple CSV/XLSX versions



Drag and drop files here

Limit 200MB per file • CSV, XLSX

Browse files



lb_version_3.csv 1.3KB



lb_version_4.csv 1.2KB



lb_version_2.csv 1.3KB



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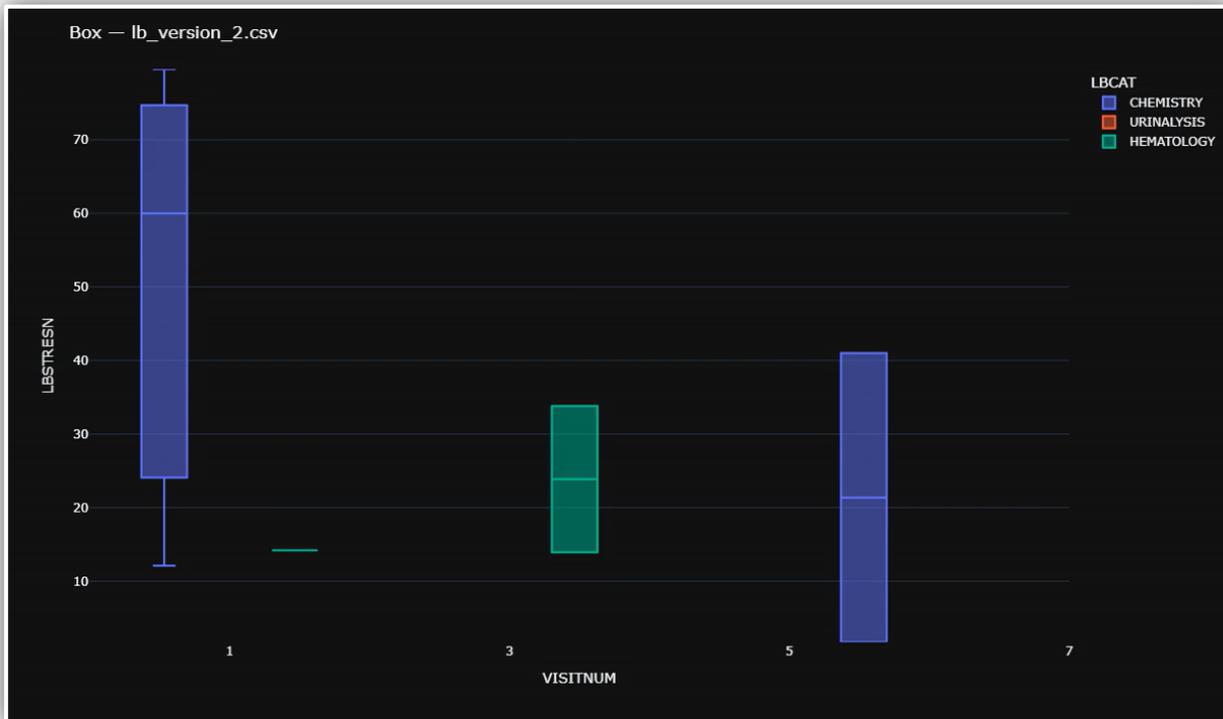


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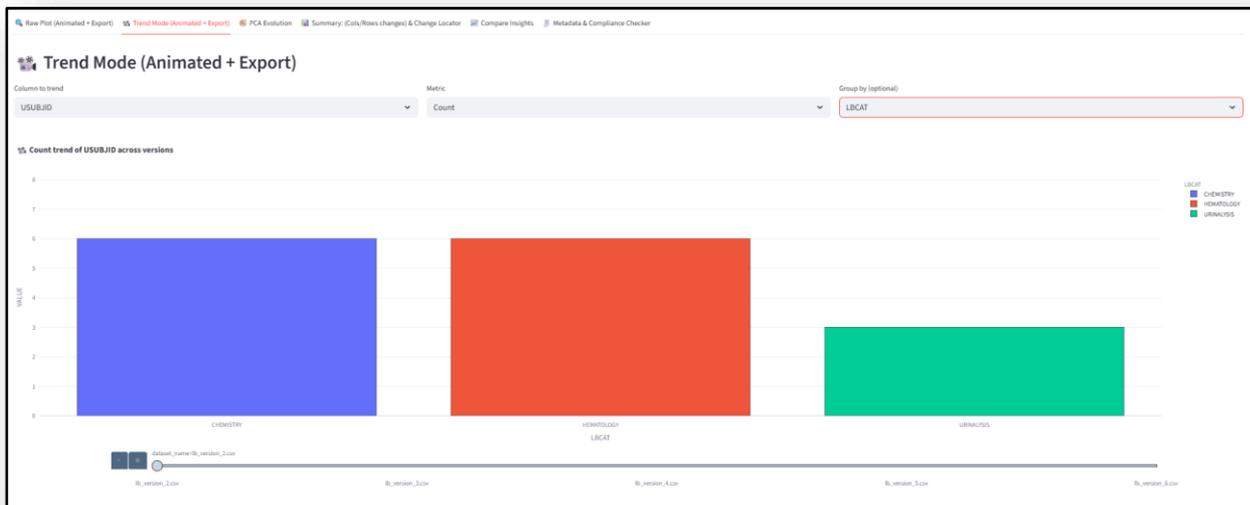
KEY FEATURES

Raw Plot (Animated + Export)





Trend Mode (Animated + Export)



Export animation

FPS (speed)

Export as:

GIF MP4



QC Summary & Change Locator

Raw Plot (Animated + Export) Trend Mode (Animated + Export) PCA Evolution **Summary: (Cols/Rows changes) & Change Locator** Compare Insights Metadata & Compliance Checker

QC Summary & Change Locator

Keys for row comparison

Single key compares value distribution. Multiple keys compare row identity.

Key columns

LBNRIND ↗

QC Summary Table

	Comparison	Added columns	Removed columns	Columns with missing values (Prev/Curr)	Columns with NEW missing values	Selected Key Missing (Prev)	Selected Key Missing (Curr)	Selected Key Missing Δ	Rows added	Rows missing	Rows common	Values added	Values missing
0	lb_version_2.csv → lb_version_3 [1].csv	-	SITEID	LBCAT, LBLOBXFL, LBORRES, LBORRESU, LBSTAT, LBSTRESN, LBSTRESU	LBLOBXFL, LBSTAT, LBSTRESN	0	0	0	2	0	16	HIGH, NORMAL	-
1	lb_version_3 [1].csv → lb_version_4.csv	-	-	LBCAT, LBLOBXFL, LBORRES, LBORRESU, LBSTAT, LBSTRESN, LBSTRESU	-	0	0	0	0	1	17	-	NORMAL
2	lb_version_4.csv → lb_version_5.csv	DERIVSRC	-	LBLOBXFL, LBORRES, LBORRESU, LBSTAT, LBSTRESN, LBSTRESU	-	0	0	0	0	0	17	-	-
3	lb_version_5.csv → lb_version_6.csv	ANL01FL, BASE, CHG	-	LBLOBXFL, LBORRES, LBORRESU, LBSTAT, LBSTRESN, LBSTRESU	-	0	0	0	0	0	17	-	-



QC Summary & Change Locator

Change Locator Drilldown (Git Diff style)

Previous dataset: **lb_version_2.csv** | Current dataset: **lb_version_3.csv**

Rows only in PREV: **0** | Rows only in CURR: **1** | Rows common: **6**

Columns to compare (to detect changed rows): **LBLOBXFL**, **LBORRES**, **LBSTRESN**, **LBSEQ**

⚠ Duplicate keys detected – PREV: 10, CURR: 10. Keeping LAST occurrence for comparison. Consider adding a more unique key (e.g., --SEQ).

Show rows only in PREV | Show rows only in CURR | Show CHANGED rows

Rows only in PREV

	USUBJID	LBTESTCD	LBICAT	LBORRES	LBORRESU	LBSTRESN	LBSTRESU	LBSTAT	LBLOBXFL	VISITNUM	LBOTC	LBSEQ	SITEID	LBRRIND
	empty													

Rows only in CURR

	USUBJID	LBTESTCD	LBICAT	LBORRES	LBORRESU	LBSTRESN	LBSTRESU	LBSTAT	LBLOBXFL	VISITNUM	LBOTC	LBSEQ	LBRRIND	
16	01-007	AST	CHEMISTRY	28.0	U/L	28.0	U/L	None	None		1	15-02-2016	17	HIGH
17	01-007	WBC	HEMATOLOGY	5.6	10 ⁹ /L	5.6	10 ⁹ /L	None	None		3	2016-02-15	18	NORMAL

Changed rows (same key, different values)

	KEY	USUBJID	LBLOBXFL	LBORRES	LBSTRESN	LBSEQ	__VERSION__
0	01-006	01-006	None	4.1		41	16 lb_version_2.csv
1	01-006	01-006	None	4.1	None	16	16 lb_version_3.csv

[Download changed rows \(CSV\)](#)



Compare Insights

Raw Plot (Animated + Export) Trend Mode (Animated + Export) PCA Evolution Summary: (Cols/Rows changes) & Change Locator **Compare Insights** Metadata & Compliance Checker

Compare Insights

Select numeric column

VISITNUM

	dataset_name	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
0	lb_version_2.csv	16	2.5625	1.9653	1.9653	1	1	1.5	3.25
1	lb_version_3.csv	18	2.5	1.8865	1.8865	1	1	1.5	3
2	lb_version_4.csv	17	2.4118	1.9059	1.9059	1	1	1	3
3	lb_version_5.csv	17	2.4118	1.9059	1.9059	1	1	1	3
4	lb_version_6.csv	17	2.4118	1.9059	1.9059	1	1	1	3

Mean trend across datasets for VISITNUM





Metadata & Compliance Checker

Raw Plot (Animated + Export) Trend Mode (Animated + Export) PCA Evolution Summary: (Cols/Rows changes) & Change Locator Compare Insights **Metadata & Compliance Checker**

Metadata & Compliance Checker

Checks ONLY: Type consistency across versions (numeric vs character) Length drift (max observed character length drift) ISO8601 date checks for *DTC variables

Previous dataset: lb_version_2.csv Current dataset: lb_version_5.csv

Check ISO8601 for *DTC variables

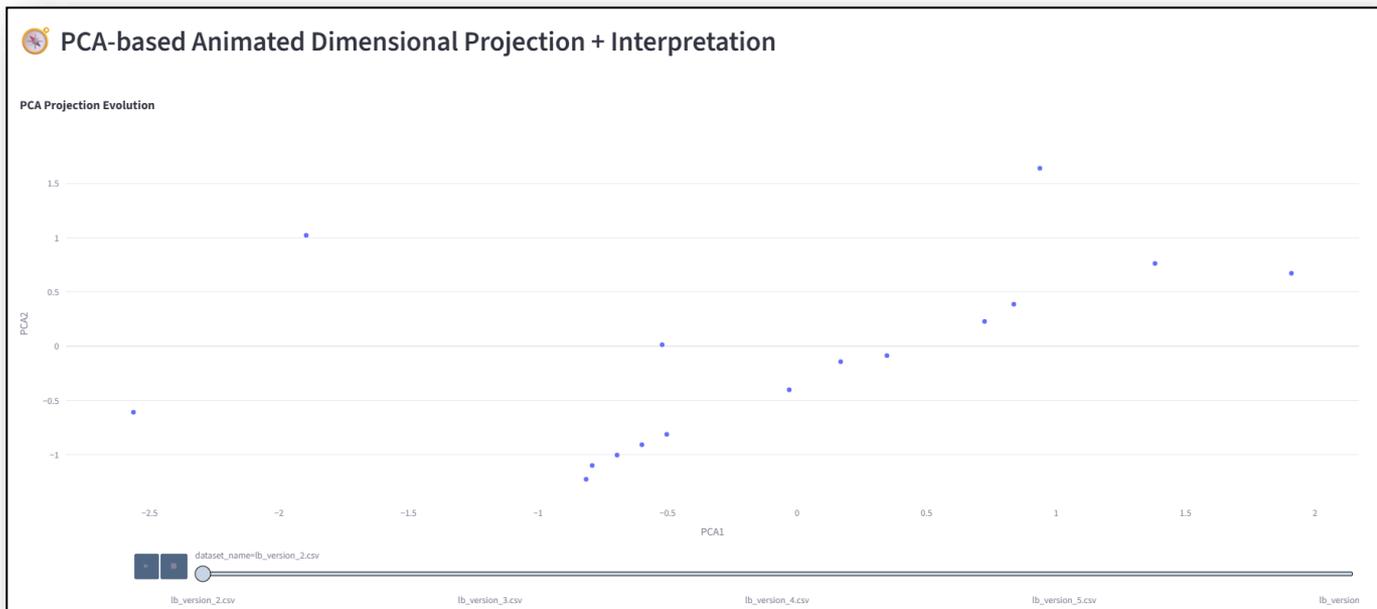
Metadata QC Issues Report

	Issue Type	Variable	Prev	Curr	Prev Type	Curr Type	Prev MaxLen	Curr MaxLen	Details
0	VariableAdded	DERIVSRC	lb_version_2.csv	lb_version_5.csv	-	char	-	20	Variable added in current dataset
1	ISO8601Violation	LBOTC	lb_version_2.csv	lb_version_5.csv	char	char	10	10	Curr has non-ISO values sample: ['20160207']
2	CharLengthDrift	LBORRESU	lb_version_2.csv	lb_version_5.csv	char	char	23	6	Max observed char length changed (23 → 6)
3	VariableMissing	SITEID	lb_version_2.csv	lb_version_5.csv	num	-	None	-	Variable present in previous but missing in current dataset

[Download QC Issues Report \(CSV\)](#)



PCA- based Animated Dimensional Projection





PCA- based Animated Dimensional Projection

Dataset-level movement in PCA space

	dataset_name	PCA1	PCA2	shift
0	lb_version_2.csv	-0.1315	-0.0969	None
1	lb_version_3.csv	0.1477	-0.1017	0.2793
2	lb_version_4.csv	0.1138	-0.1211	0.0391
3	lb_version_5.csv	0.1138	-0.1211	0
4	lb_version_6.csv	-0.2604	0.441	0.6753

Movement summary

- Total centroid drift across versions: 0.994 PCA-units
- Largest jump occurred at lb_version_6.csv with shift 0.675

⚠ Potential outliers (top 1% farthest in PCA space)

Outlier threshold distance: 5.185 | Outlier count: 1

	dataset_name	USUBJID	PCA1	PCA2	PCA_dist	
68	lb_version_6.csv	01-001		-5.7483	3.8909	6.9413

📊 Interpretation Summary

- The PCA projection summarizes how the **overall numeric structure** evolves across dataset versions.
- **PC1 + PC2 explain 58.15%** of numeric variation, so the plot is a compact representation of structural changes.
- **PC1 is mainly driven by:** VISITNUM, LBSEQ, LBSTRESH, BASE, CHG
- **PC2 is mainly driven by:** BASE, LBSEQ, CHG, VISITNUM, LBSTRESH
- Dataset versions show a **total centroid drift of 0.994 PCA units**, indicating progressive distribution/structure updates.
- The **largest structural change** occurred at lb_version_6.csv (shift = 0.675).
- Top variables showing largest mean change at the biggest jump (lb_version_5.csv → lb_version_6.csv): LBSTRESH, VISITNUM, LBSEQ, SITEID, BASE
- Potential outliers detected: **1 records (top 1% farthest in PCA space)**. Key fields available for investigation: USUBJID, LBTESTCD, VISITNUM, LBOTC



BENEFITS AND APPLICATIONS



Statistical Programmers

Faster quality checks and early issue detection



Statisticians

Clear view of dataset readiness during analysis



Clinical Reviewers

Transparent tracking of data evolution



Study Teams

Shared visual references for team alignment

Practical Use Cases:

- Interim data review & ongoing study monitoring
- Database lock readiness assessments
- Vendor data transfer validation



FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS



Automated Variable Role Identification

- *Identify SDTM & ADaM variable roles*
- *Classify data components automatically*



AI-Generated Narrative Summaries

- *Generate key findings & summaries*
- *Contextual insights beyond rule-based text*



Domain-Adaptive Analysis

- *AI-driven contextual data shifts*
- *Analyze semi-structured datasets*



Chat with Data Bot

- *Interactive Q&A with AI Bot*
- *Gain insights through conversation*

How can I assist you with the data?





SUMMARY

- **Transforms clinical data review from static to temporal** by visualizing dataset version evolution using animated, interactive dashboards.
- **Enables faster and earlier detection of dataset changes** across distributions, missingness, record volumes, and multivariate structure during interim reviews.
- **Analytics views** in one platform, including drift detection, automated change summaries, metadata checks, and comparative statistics.
- **Improves traceability and communication** through intuitive visual narratives (GIF/MP4) while remaining compatible with regulated workflows.



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