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Smart Grid – A Reliability Perspective

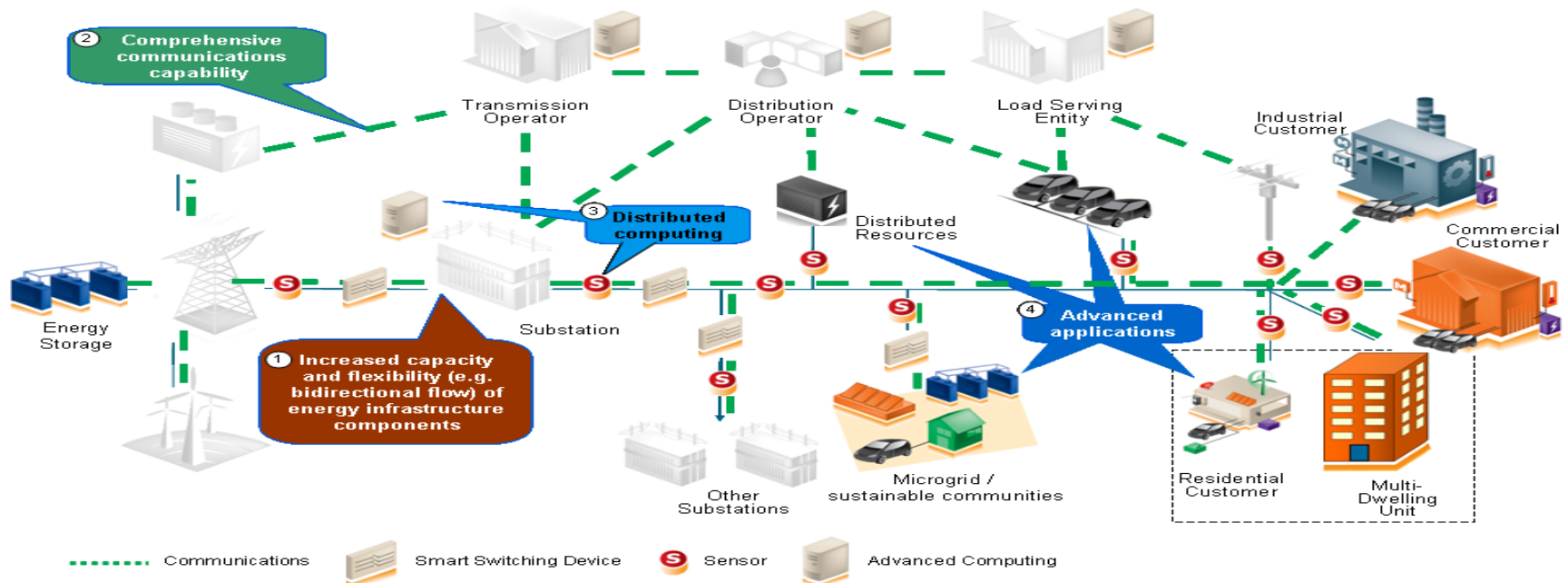
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Outline

- **Smarter** Grid
- **Focus Areas**
- **Reliability Issues**
- **Architectural Approach**
- **Q/A**

Smarter Grid

- Utility industry has been utilizing communication and information technologies
- Increasing complexity of the grid, growing concerns for environment, energy sustainability, etc. accentuate the need for a quantum leap in application of such technologies
- This leap toward a “smarter” grid is referred to as “smart grid”



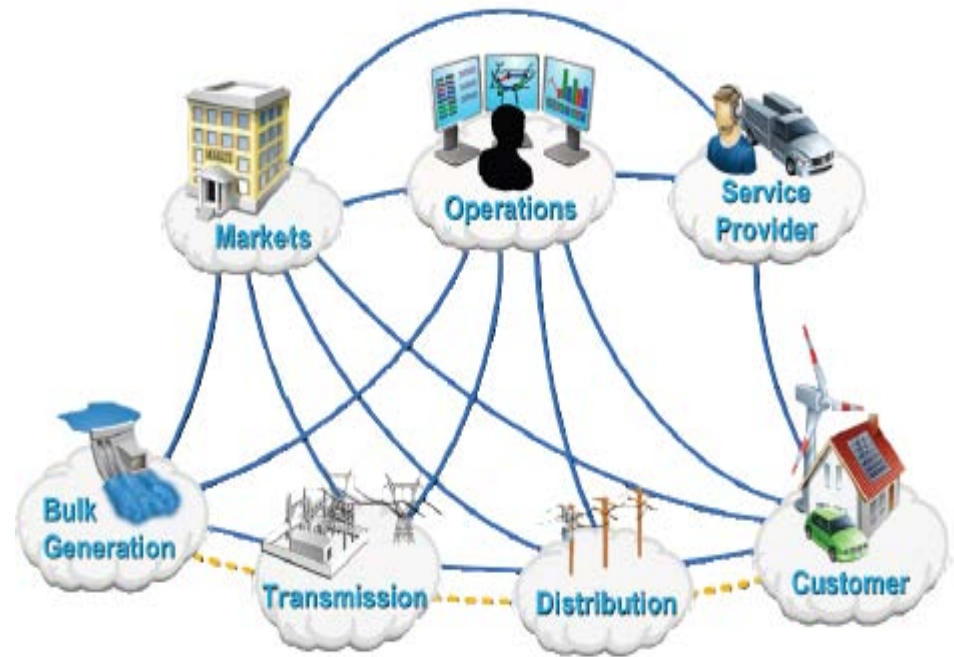
Smart Grid Vision

- **Enhanced reliability**
- **Resiliency against malicious attacks**
- **Reduced emission and improved energy sustainability**
- **Enhanced efficiency and asset utilization**
- **Improved market efficiency**
- **Active consumer participation in managing their consumption and generation**
- **Higher quality of service**

Smart Grid Deployment Trends

Focus Areas

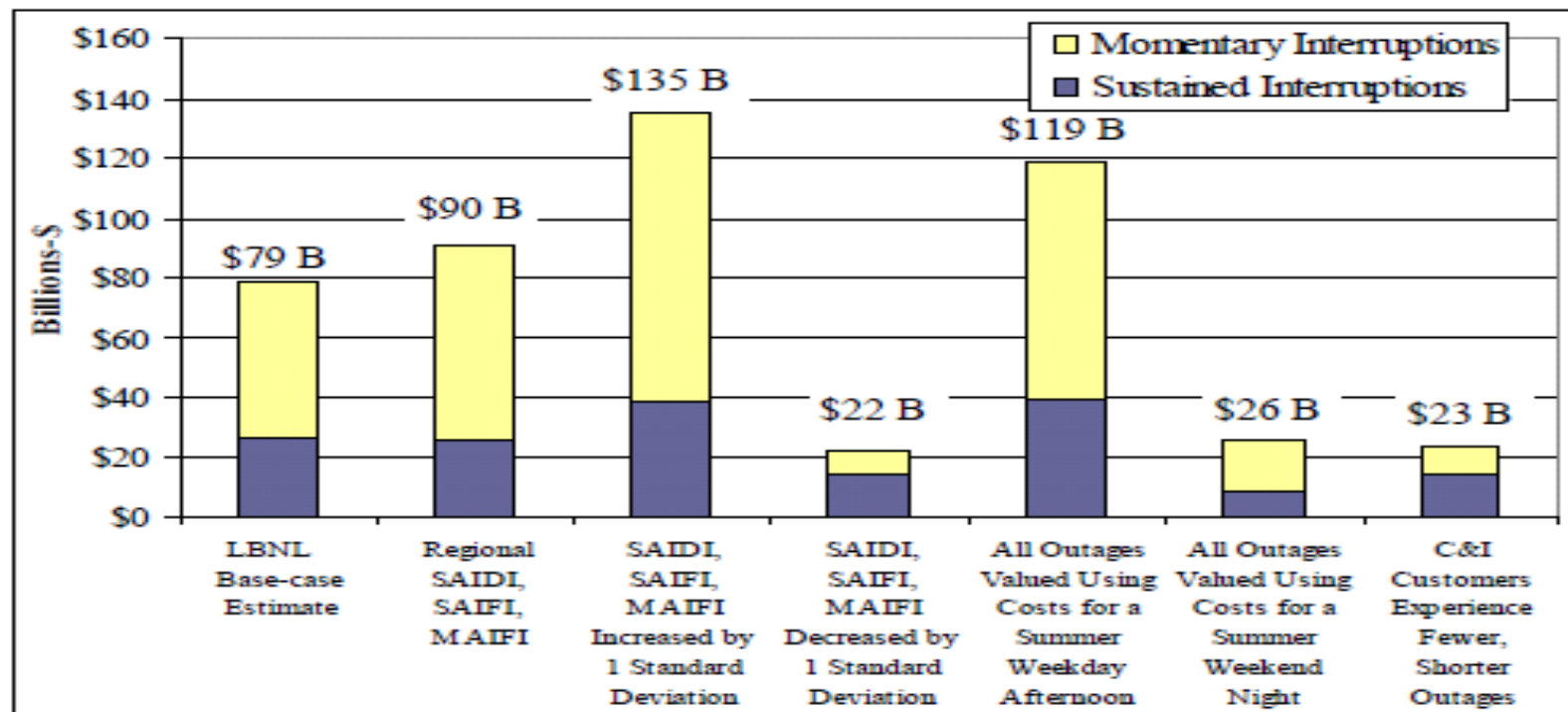
- **Reliability**
- **Renewable resources**
- **Demand response**
- **Electric storage**
- **Electric transportation**



- **Above trends also highlighted in “FERC Smart Grid Policy Statement”**

Reliability

Cost of Unreliability (2004 report LBNL-55718)



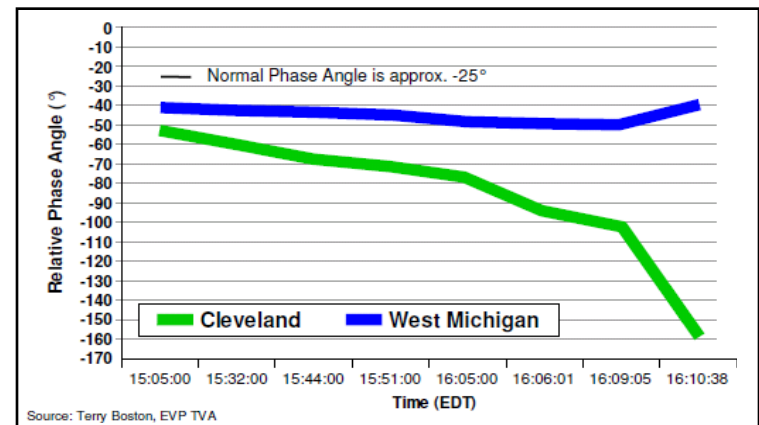
Summary of U.S. Cost of Power Interruption Sensitivity Cases

	Surveyed Populations	Non-surveyed Populations	Total
Power Outages	\$46 billion	\$58-118 billion	\$104-164 billion
Power Quality	\$7 billion	\$8-17 billion	\$15-24 billion
Total	\$53 billion	\$66-135 billion	\$119-188 billion

System Average Interruption Duration Index
 System Average Interruption Frequency Index
 Momentary Average Interruption Frequency Index

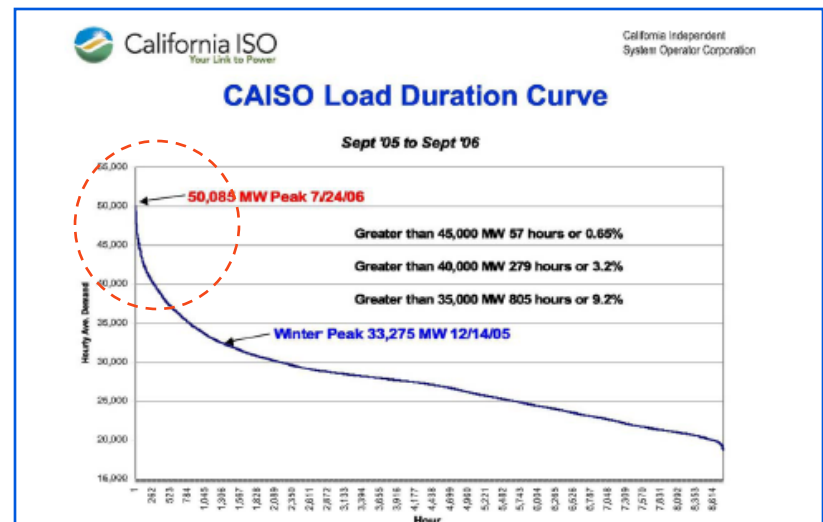
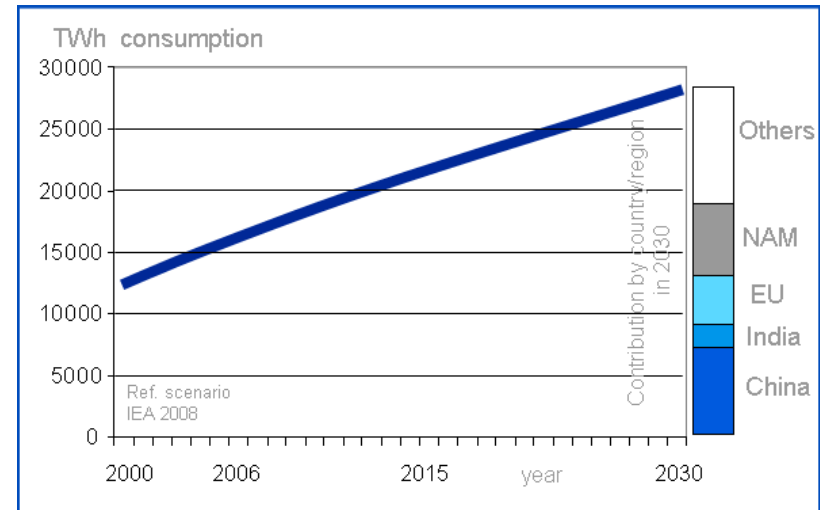
Grid Reliability Issues We Face

- “Insufficient” Investment in Grid and Load Growth
 - Contention for limited transfer capability
- Diversification of Energy and Storage Resources
 - Aggravating grid congestion and/or controllability
- Larger operating footprints
 - More complex problems
 - Smaller error margins
 - Shorter decision times
- More, larger and longer transfers
 - Volatility
 - Smaller margins



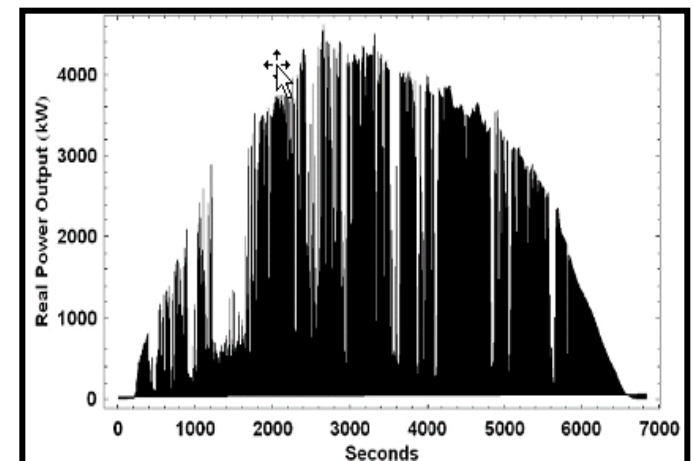
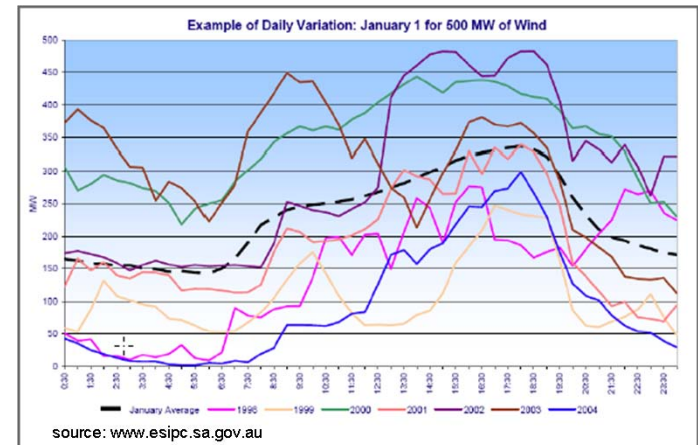
Increasing Demand Consumption and Peak

- **Increasing energy consumption and peak demand creating contention for limited transfer capability**
- **Resources required for the peak underutilized:**
- **ERCOT:**
 - Top 5% of capacity used less than 1% of time
 - Top 25% of capacity needed 10% of time
- **PJM hourly 2007 Load**
 - Less than 85 GWh for 62.2% of the hours
 - Less than 100 GWh for 88.8% " " "
 - More than 130 GWh for only 15 hours.

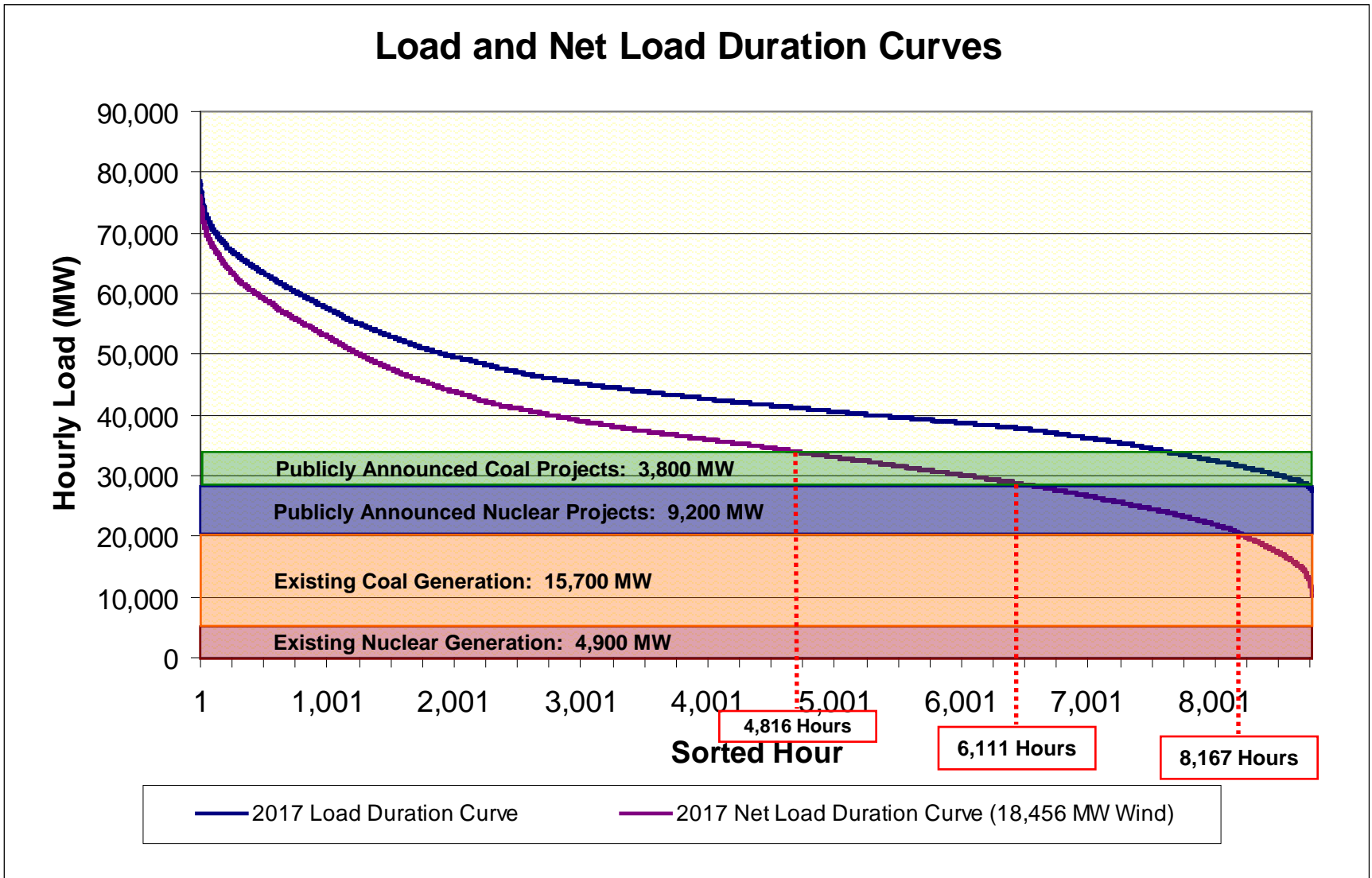


Reduced Emission and Energy Sustainability Challenges of Renewables Integration

- **Intermittency**
- **Generation not align with load patterns**
- **Forecasts uncertainty**
- **Operational performance issues**
 - **Low system inertia**
 - **Voltage, congestion,...**
 - **Additional ancillary services**
- **Transmission**
 - **Large renewables are remote**



Impact of 18 GW of wind on ERCOT's 70+ GW system

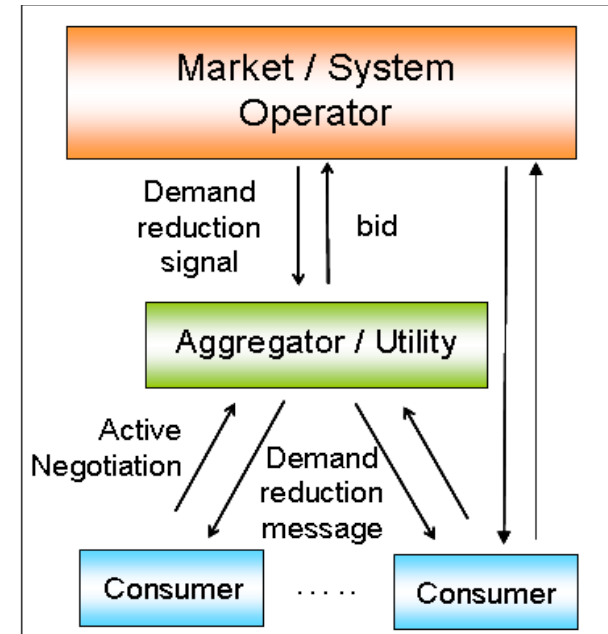


Managing the Load Profile

DR and Storage

- **Demand Response**

- Non-emergency DR can reduce the need for additional resources
- Automatic or manual response by consumer



- **Storage**

- Various technologies
- Centralized, Distributed, Behind the Meter, etc.

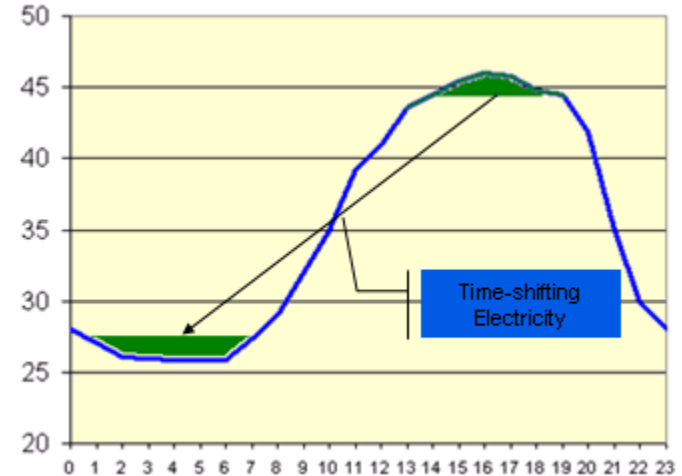
- *Both add to the complexity*

Electric Transportation

PEV, eCAR, etc.

- **Motivations**

- Environmental
- Reduce reliance on fossil fuels
- Demand Response / Storage
- Others



- **Challenges**

- 200 miles range requires about 50kWh of battery energy
- Charge time
 - Fast charge – “distribution congestion”
 - Slow charge – unacceptable life style

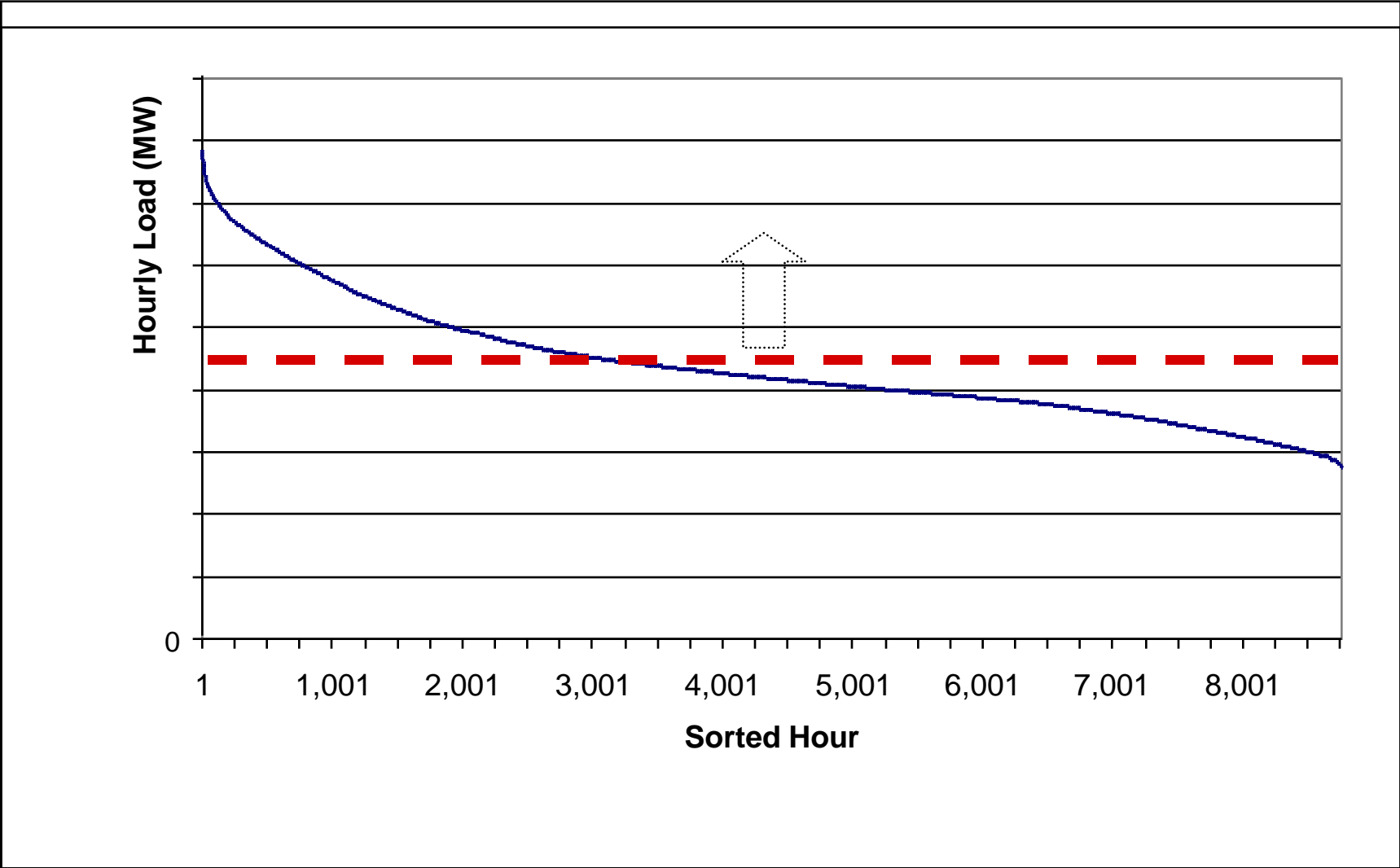
Ideally Successful Load Management Scenario

Higher Susceptibility to failure?

- **Close coordination of all resources such as:**
 - Demand response
 - Storage
 - Electric vehicles
- **Objective:**
 - Nearly flattened load profile
 - Initial improved reliability due to lower peak
- **“Unintended” Consequences Over Time:**
 - Grid operated closer to near-peak conditions most of the time
 - System pushed closer to its “edge” more often - higher susceptibility to failure due to:
 - **Net load growth**
 - **Forces of optimal T&D asset utilization**

System Pushed to the “Edge”

Higher susceptibility to failure



IT Infrastructure for Smart Grid

Addressing Reliability Concerns

- **Significant disturbances involve cascading events rapidly aggravated by uncoordinated local actions**
- **Maintaining a reliable system requires:**
 - Coordinated response
 - Timely automated intelligent response
 - Secure IT infrastructure
- **Harnessing modern communication and information technologies to enable:**
 - Grid-wide coordinated monitoring and control capabilities to address:
 - Grid operated much closer to its limits more often
 - A more volatile and qualitatively different operating environment
 - Automated on-line analyses for real-time decision making (to replace the inadequate off-line studies)
 - Fail-proof and timely bidirectional communications at all levels
 - Processing more data, more automation, more control

IT Infrastructure for Smart Grid

Distributed Intelligence

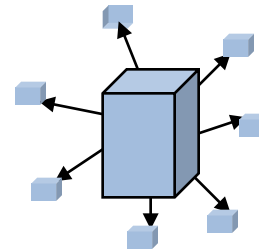
- **Centralized systems are too slow for this purpose**
- **Need distribution of intelligence throughout infrastructure to enable:**
 - Local data processing to minimize need for massive data exchanges, e.g. at substation level.:
 - Bad data detection
 - Feeder level forecasts
 - Timely local intelligent actions coordinated with higher level analysis
 - Even sub-second response is feasible with modern technology
- **Need a better coordinated, higher performance Monitoring & Control Infrastructure**
 - “Pervasive”, “Grid-wide/T&D”, “Timely”, “Secure”, “super EMS”...?

Distributed Autonomous Architecture

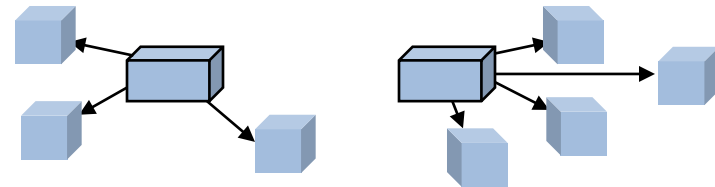
Coordinated hierarchical intelligence

- Timely local control coordinated with global information

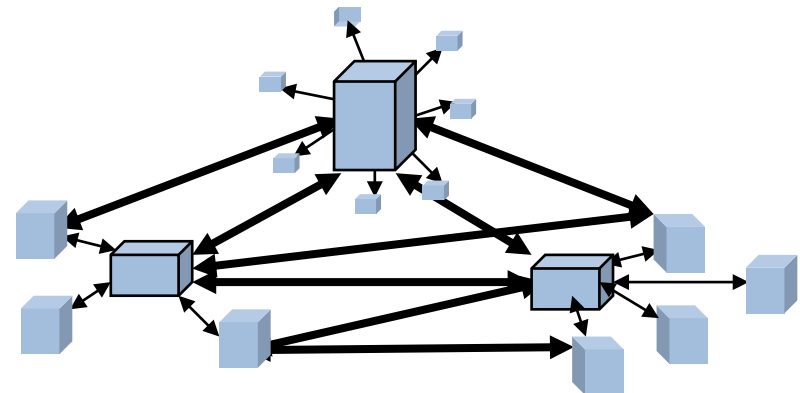
Centralized



Partially Distributed



Fully Distributed

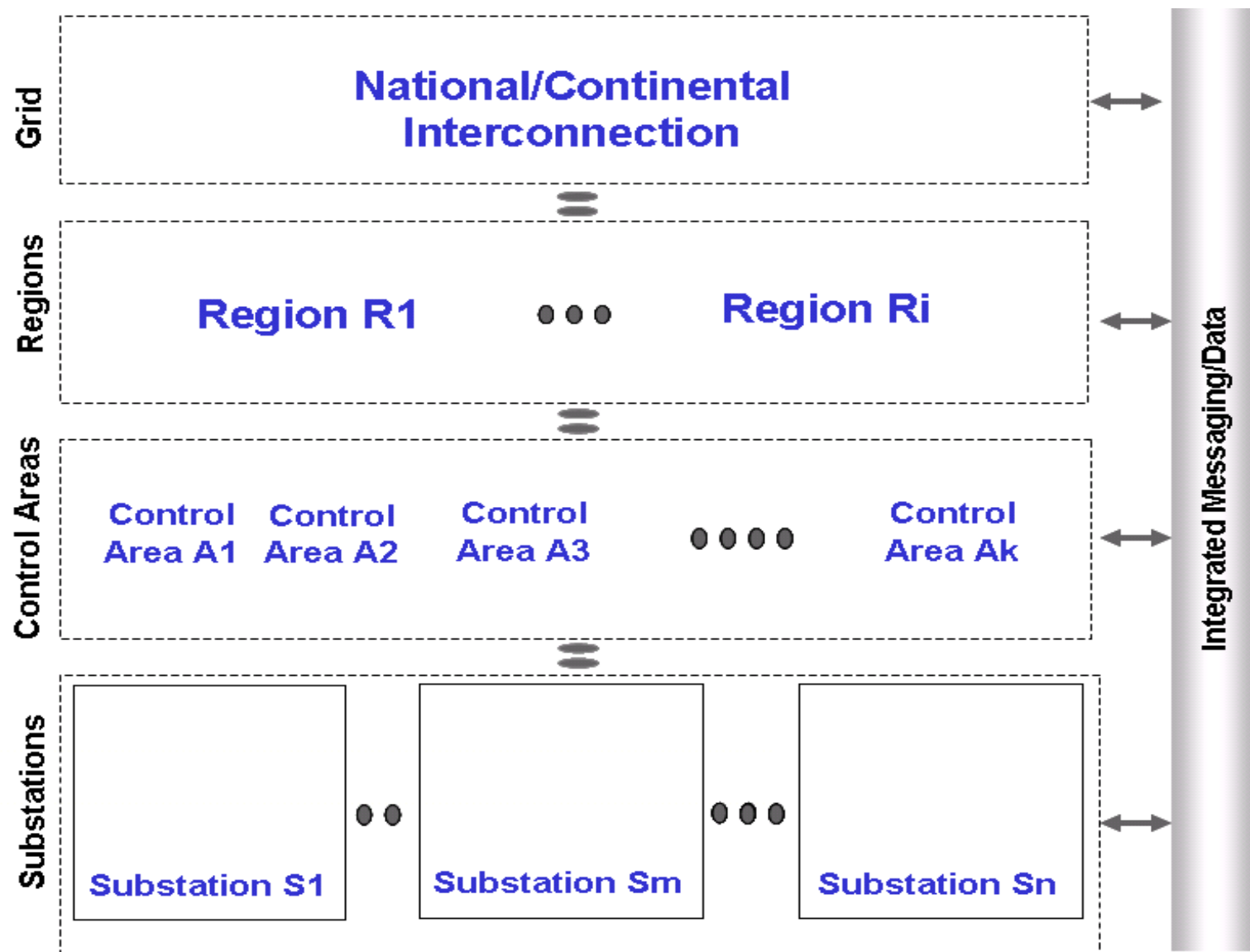


Architectural Dimensions

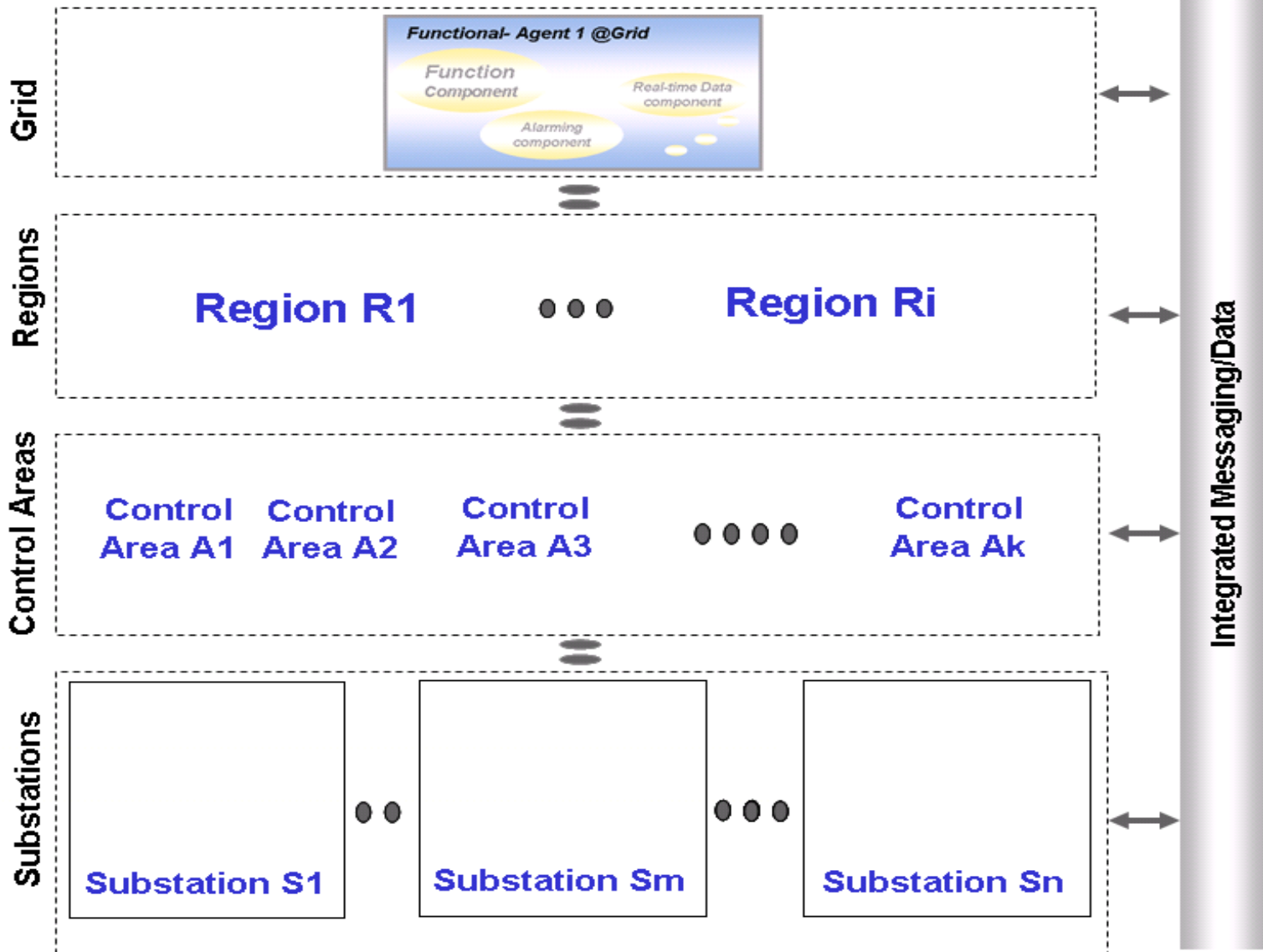
Distributed Based on Grid Operational Requirements

- **Distribution and coordination of functional tasks in a virtual hierarchy in three dimensions:**
 - **Organizational**
 - Grid, Region, ...Control Area,...Substation
 - **Geographical**
 - Region 1, Region 2, ... j...
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 - Substation 1, Substation 2,...n,
 - etc.
 - **Functional**
 - Forecasting
 - Alarming
 - Voltage control,
 - etc.

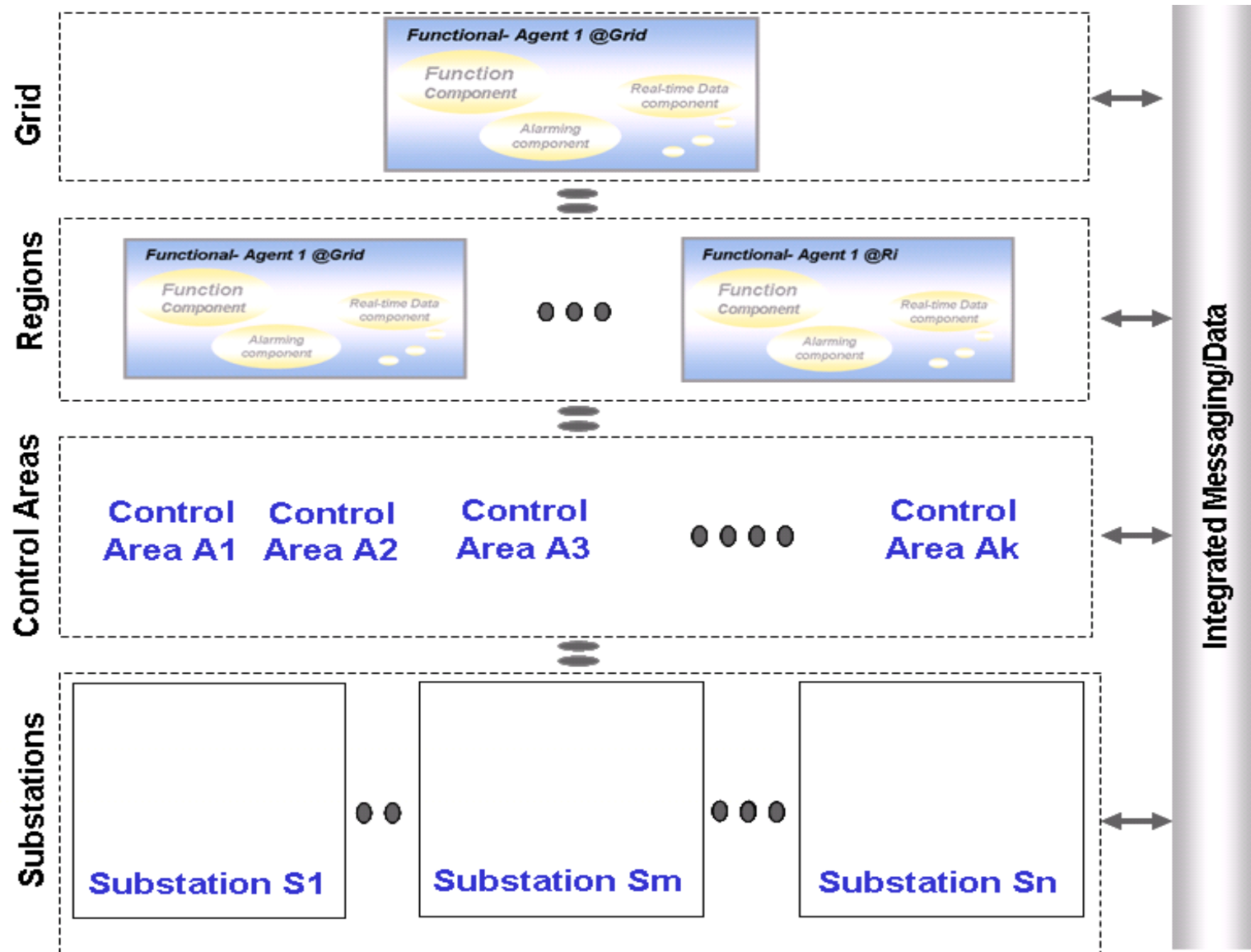
Geographical and Organization Dimension



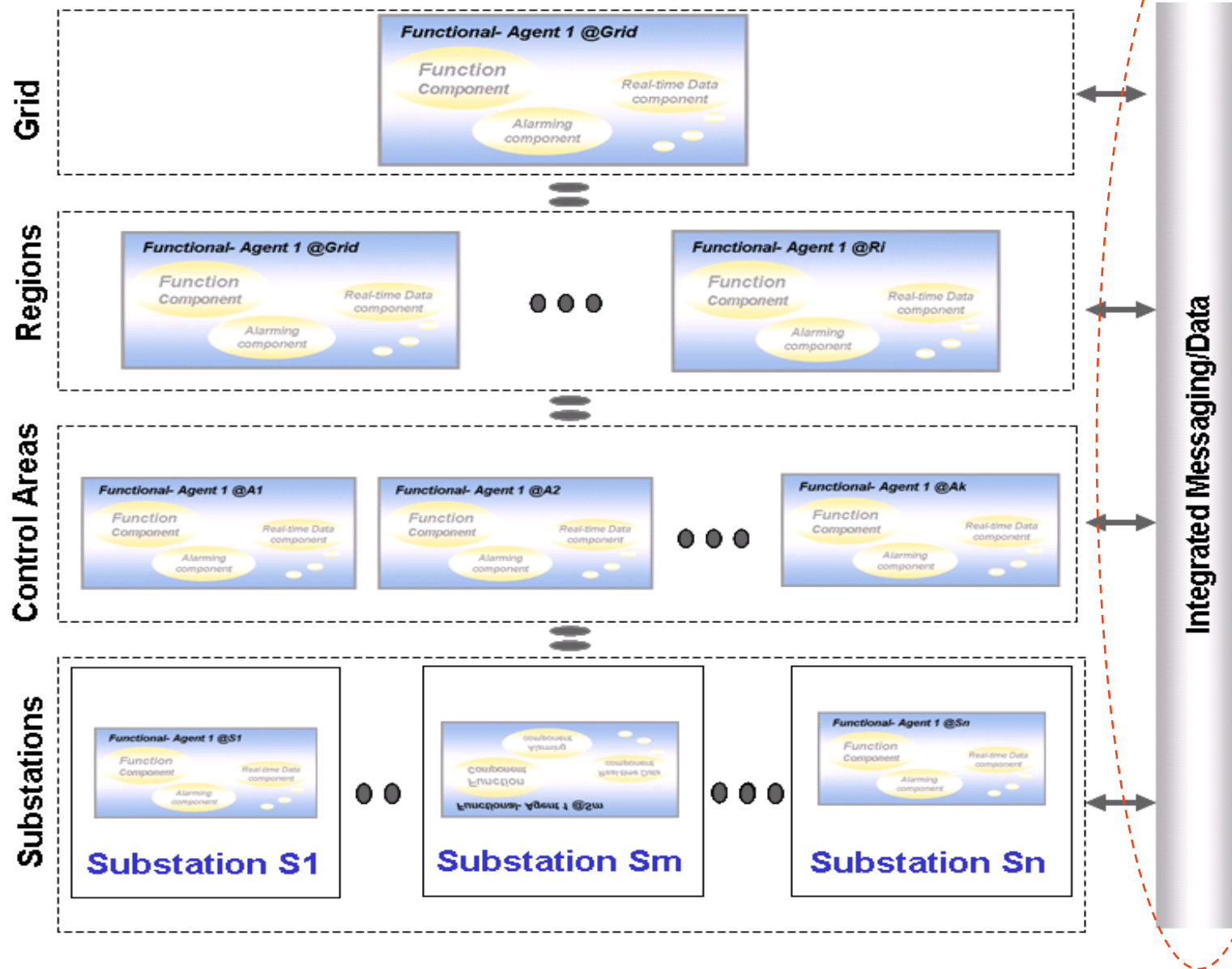
Conventional Functional Implementation: e.g. Grid Level



Distributed Functional Agents – Two Levels



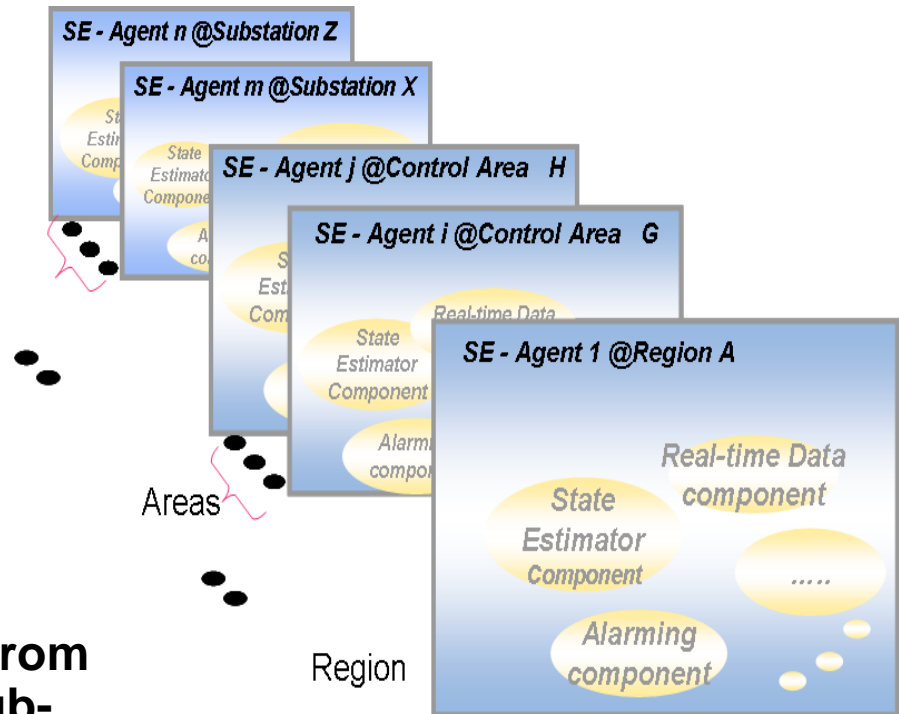
Distributed Functional Agents – All Levels



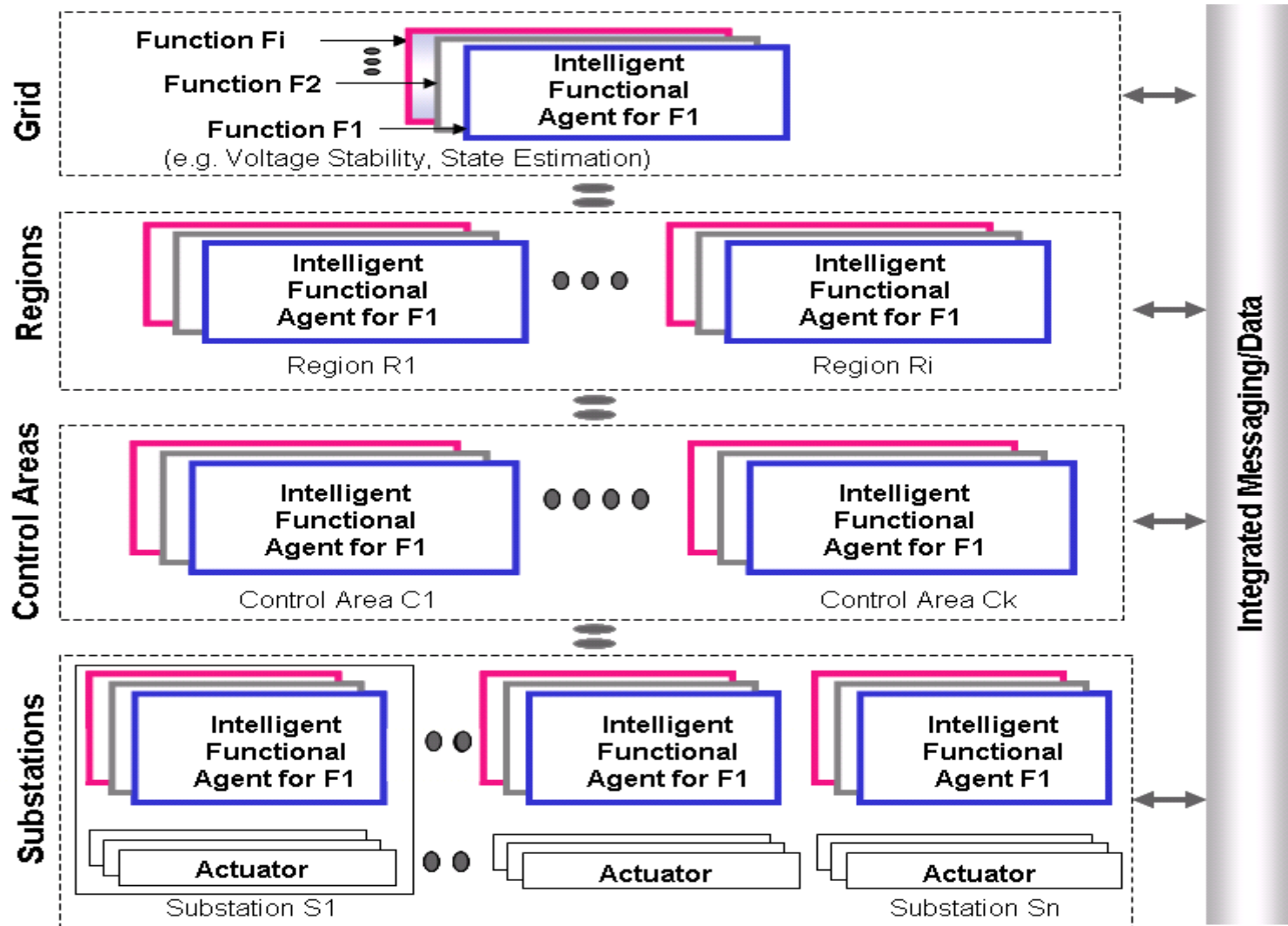
Autonomous Intelligent Agents

Distribution of Functional Responsibilities

- **Agents are deployed:**
 - In a virtual hierarchy
 - On a grid-wide computing network
- **Agents coordinate execution of functional tasks**
 - Data Processing
 - Monitoring
 - Reliability Enhancements
 - Control
- **Agents cover time scales ranging from Operational Scheduling through sub-second periods**

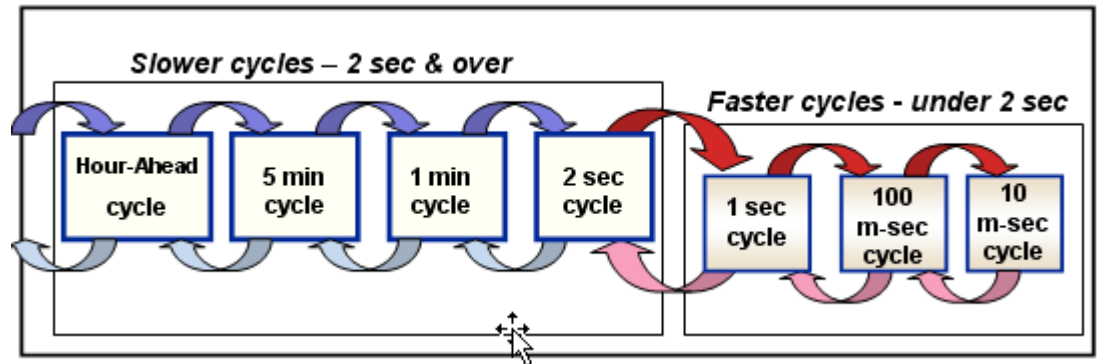


Distributed Autonomous System

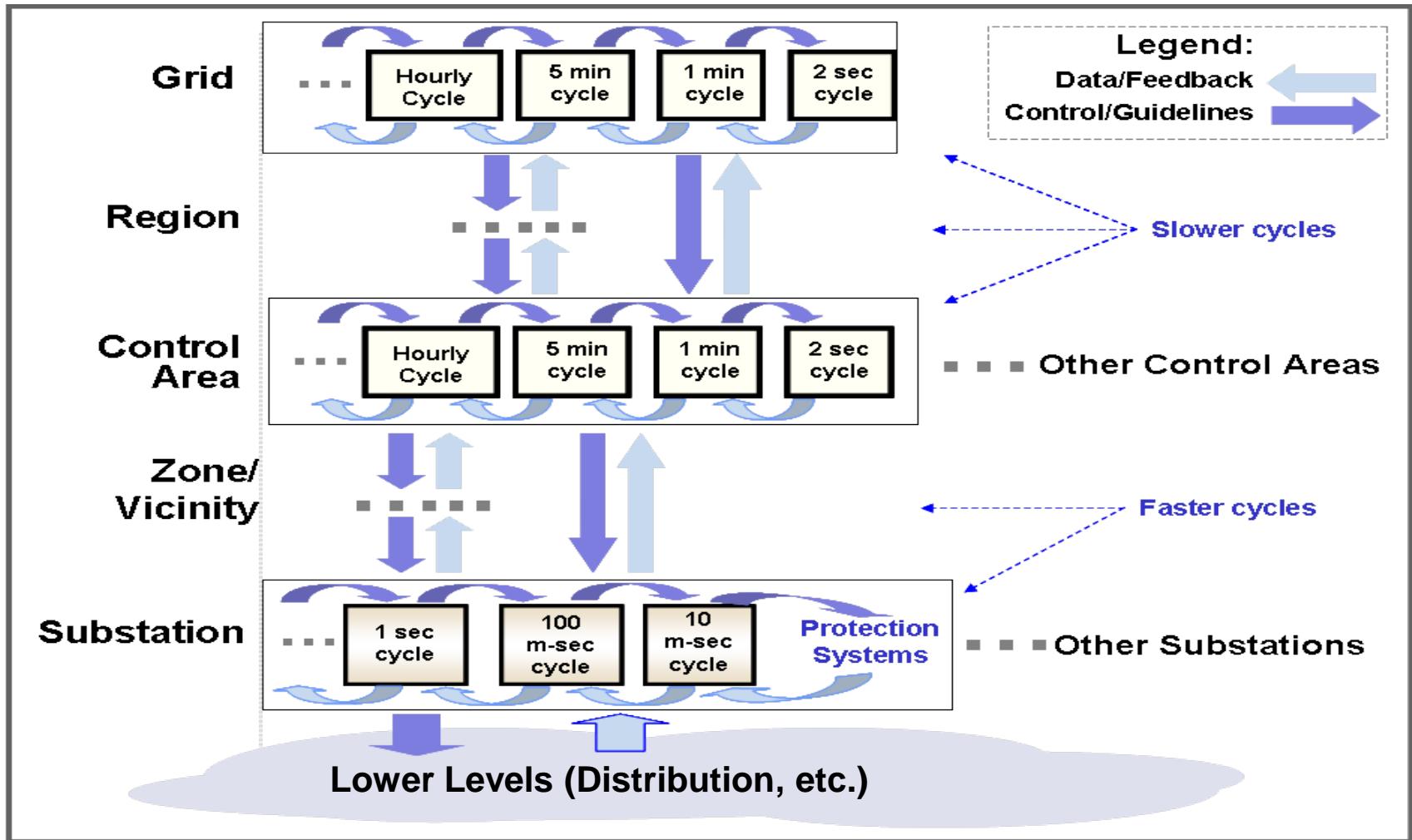


Temporal Dimension: Distinct Time Scales

- Hour-ahead
- 5-minute
- 1-minute
- 2-second
- 1-second
- 100-millisecond
- 10-millisecond
- “continuous”



Execution Cycles and Temporal Coordination



Technical Feasibility

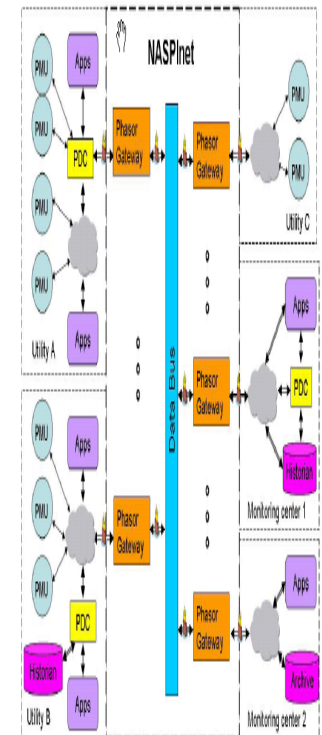
Enabling Technologies

- **Better telemetry: PMUs - faster, time-stamped, accurate, sub-second scanning**
 - Possible to limit the time skew to 1 millisecond or even less
- **Faster control devices: Power electronics**
- **More robust controls: Adaptive protection and control settings**
- **Intelligent Embedded Devices (IEDs) to enable:**
 - Equipment level fault diagnosis
 - Constrained operation
 - “Intelligent” RAS/SPS, etc.
 - Autonomous local control / restoration of equipment
- **Enhanced computing capabilities supporting virtual hierarchical multi-agent environments**
- **Internet technology: to facilitate data exchange, process control and cyber security to implement Plug-and-play hardware and software components**
- **Integrated and secure communication infrastructure**
 - Support a virtual hierarchy where location of HW, SW and data is transparent to the user

Industry Trends

Synergy with Current Practices

- Many of the smart grid technologies are already in place in various ad-hoc implementations:
 - wide-area monitoring and control
 - Phase angle and slow oscillation monitoring
 - Line thermal monitoring /dynamic rating
 - Geomagnetic disturbance recognition
 - Special protection schemes, as precursors of intelligent agents
 - Stability / Transfer Capability Enhancement
 - State estimation
 - PMU augmented state estimation
 - Forecasting
 - Multi-level
 - Infrastructure
 - Advanced Metering Infrastructure
 - PMU networks
 - Optical fibers connecting substations



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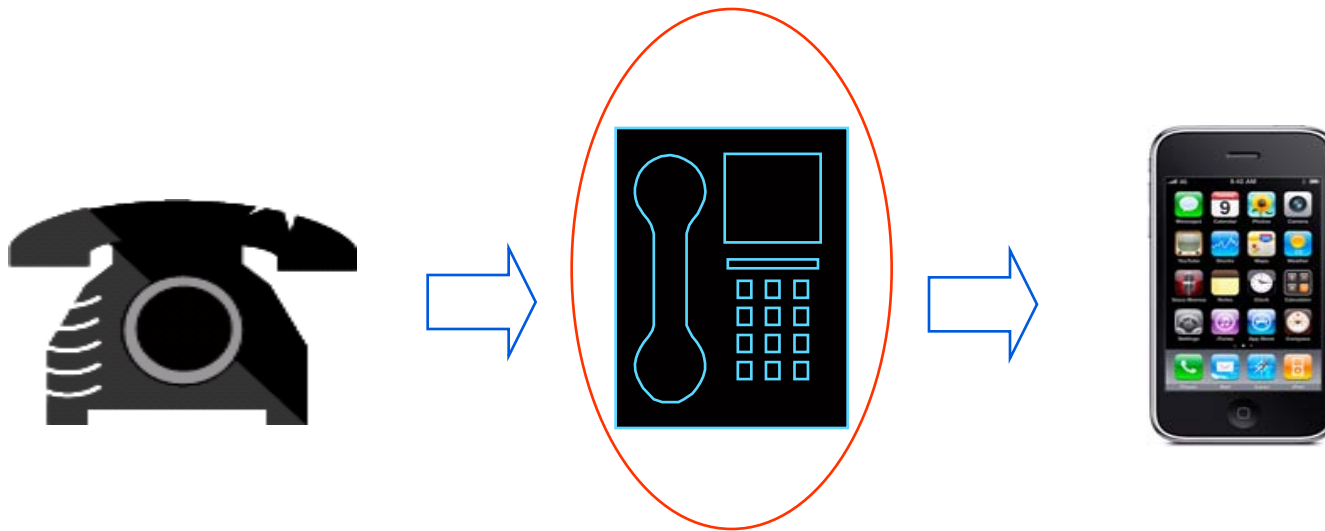
Conclusion

- **Meeting reliability challenges is central to smart grid**
- **This requires a systematic approach to develop a common vision**
- **The proposed architectural framework is a concrete representation of such common vision**
- **This framework can be thought of as a “super EMS” consisting of a network of networks that allows for evolutionary implementation of the infrastructure.**
- **This vision facilitates a cohesive grid-wide integration of the enabling technologies and emergence of needed standards**

Smart Grid

Architectural Paradigm for Transformation of the Grid

- An architectural approach is essential for transforming the power grid to a “smarter grid”



- It was not because of a few specific applications that iPhone revolutionized the “phone” but for its architecture that led to an explosion of functionality.