

Smart Grid Applications for VRE Integration

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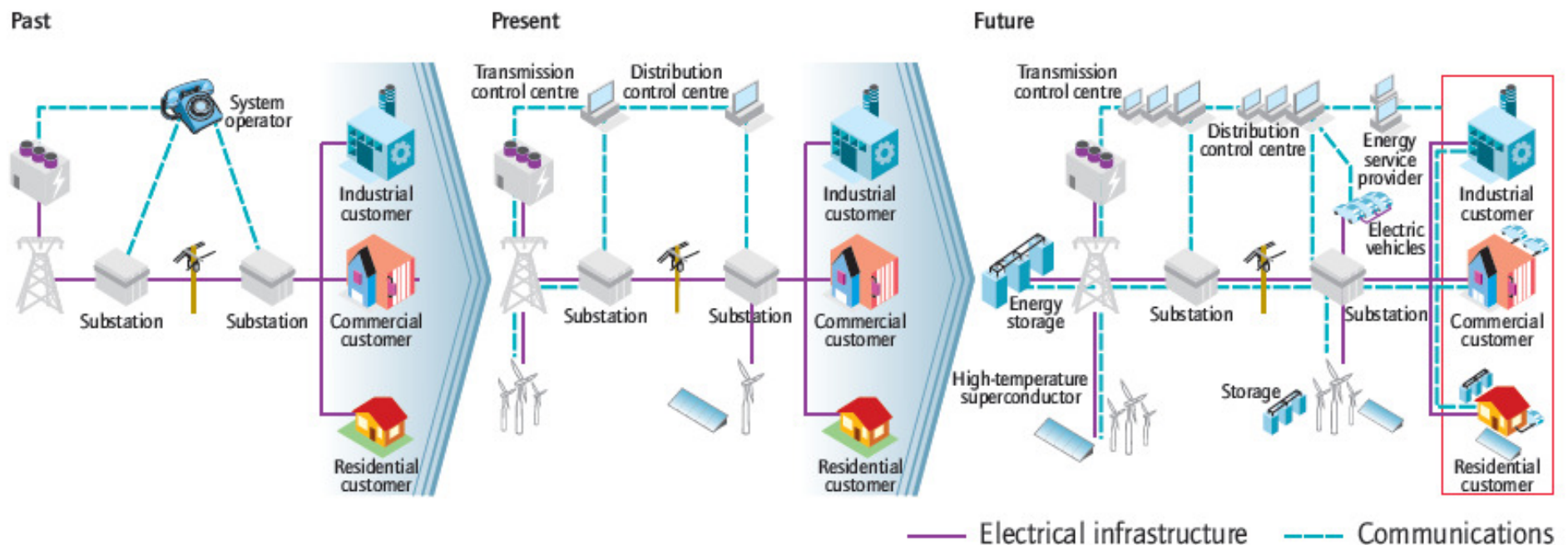


SMART GRID

“An intelligent electrical network with two-way flow of energy and real-time information between power generation, grid operators and consumers.”

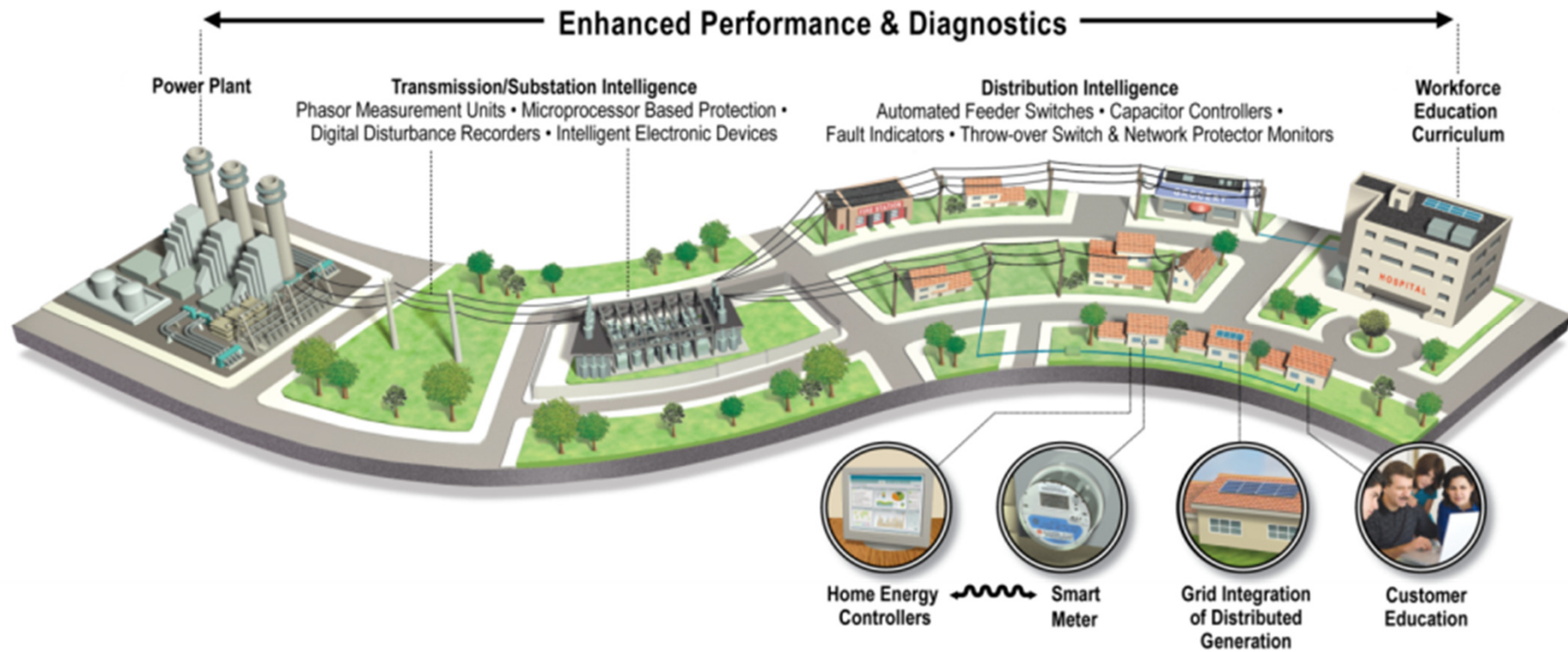
Smarter Grids: when energy meets information...

“A permanently evolving electrical network, with a real-time, two-way flow of energy and information, between power generation, grid operator, and end users. It is capable of *integrating all traditional and new players: renewable generation units (wind, solar, etc.), electrical vehicles, electrical storage, or even entire smart cities*”.



Source: IEA Smart Grid roadmap 2010

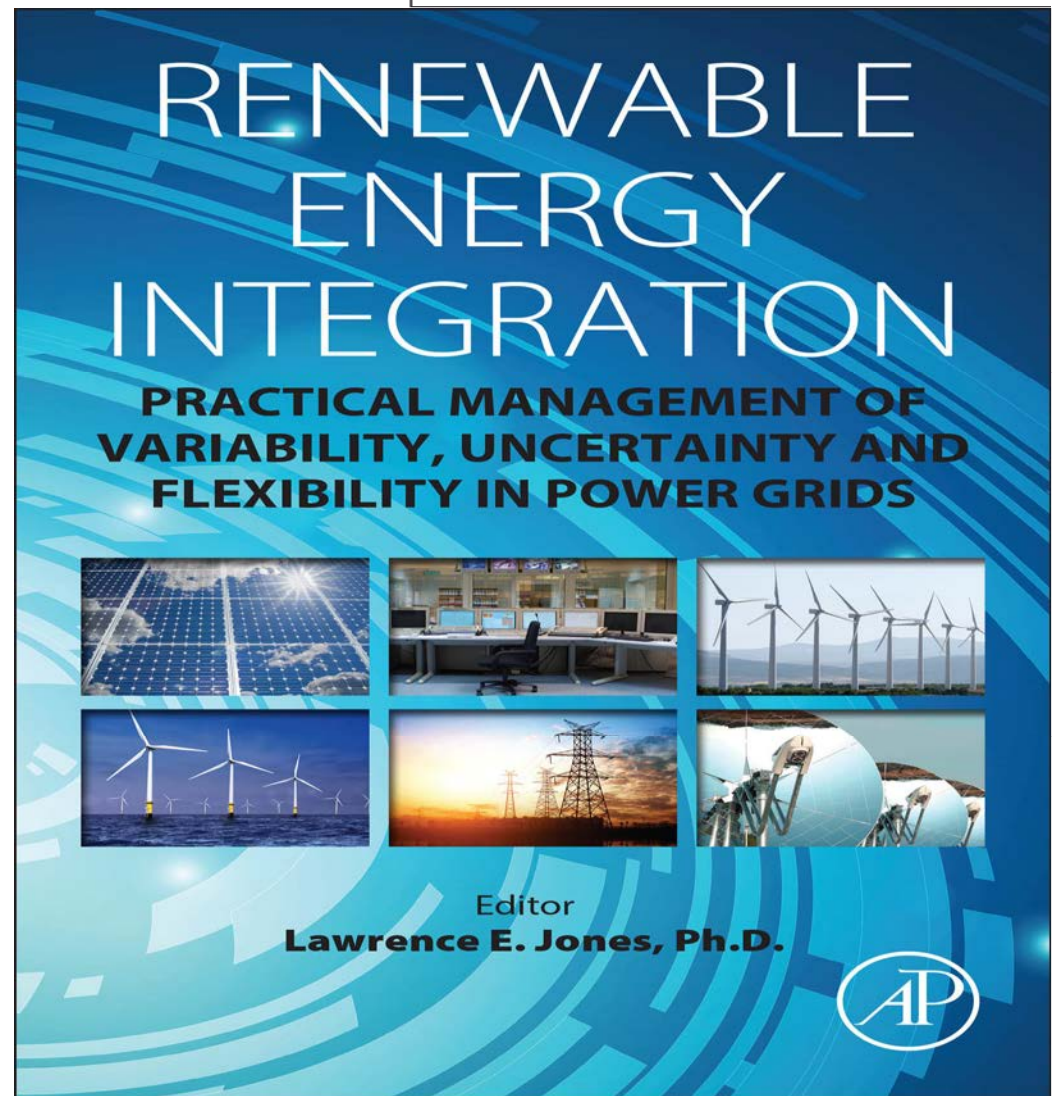
“Smart Grid” → End-to-End Improvements Along the Electricity Value Chain



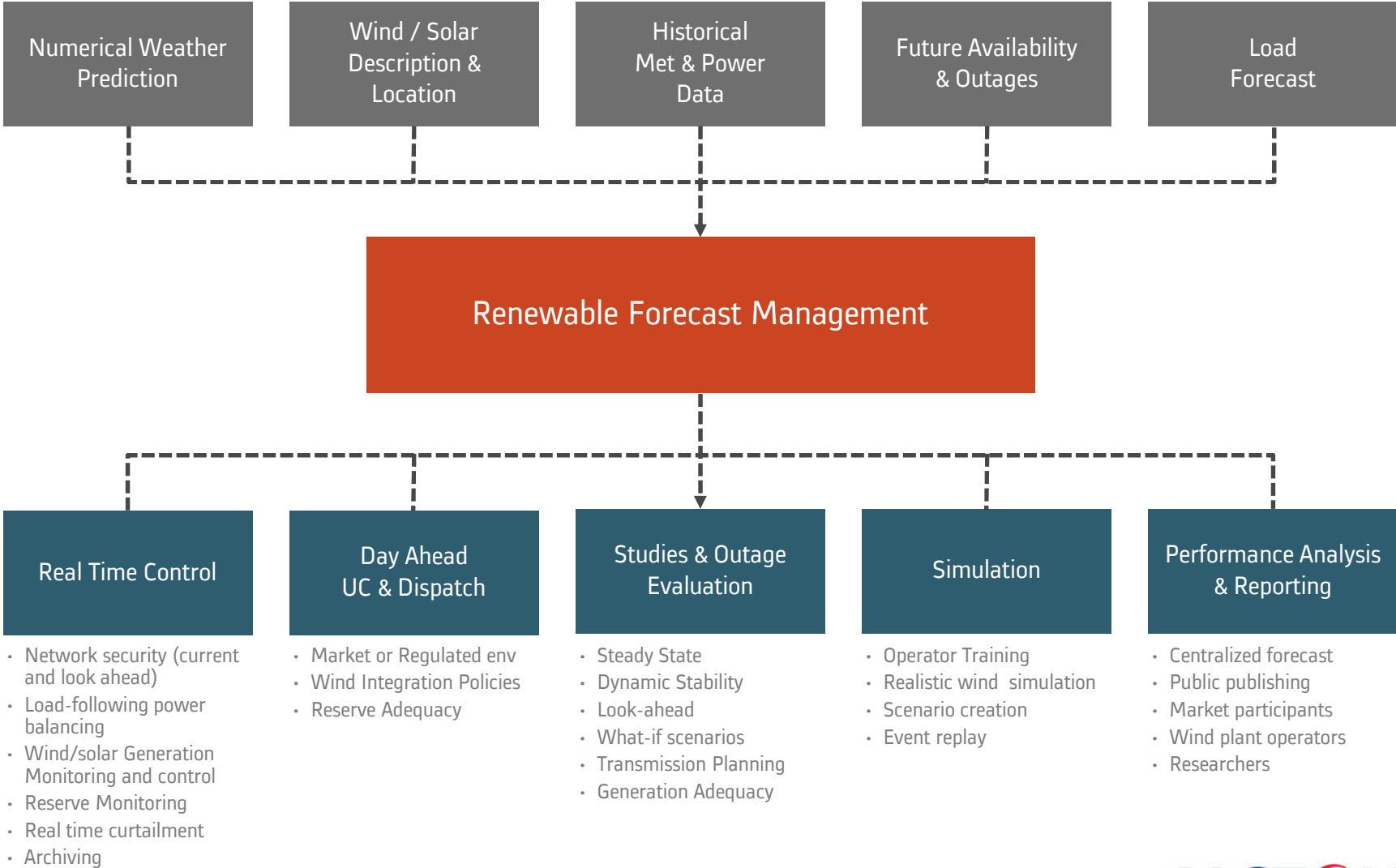
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Enabling Technologies that Facilitate VRE Integration

- *Sensors*
- *Measurements*
- *Grid Analytics*
- *Advanced Controls*
- *Intelligent Devices*
- *Integrated Solutions*
- *Big Data Analytics*



Managing Variability & Uncertainty → Integrating Forecast Data in Planning and Operations



Power System Flexibility

Flexibility expresses the extent to which a power system can increase/decrease electricity production or consumption in response to variability, expected or otherwise (i.e. under uncertainty).



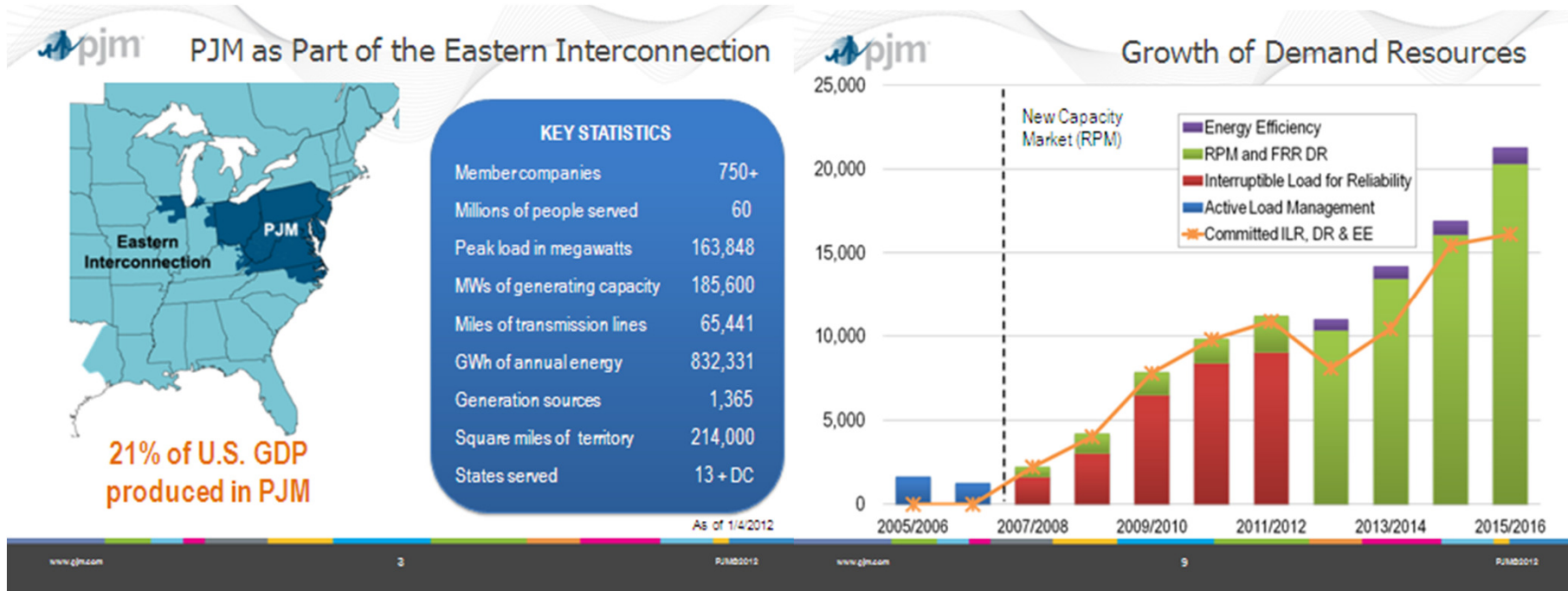
Demand Response

AUTOMATED DEMAND RESPONSE-ENABLED SITES BY REGION, WORLD MARKETS 2012-2019



SOURCE: NAVIGANT RESEARCH

Demand Response is Becoming a Reality



From: "Demand Response and Alternative Technologies in Electricity Markets" by Andrew L. Ott, In *Renewable Energy Integration*, Elsevier 2014

Distributed Energy Resources Can Provide Flexibility



From: "DR for Integrating Variable Renewable Energy: A Northwest Perspective" by Diane Broad and Ken Dragoon
In *Renewable Energy Integration*. Elsevier 2014

Flexibility from Game Changers



New integration opportunities



Transportation

EV/PHEV, Smart Appliances

- Can react to price fluctuation
- Can shave peak load
- Energy conservation



Energy Storage

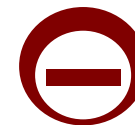
Battery Storage,

Can react to price fluctuation

- Can shave peak load
- Augment renewables

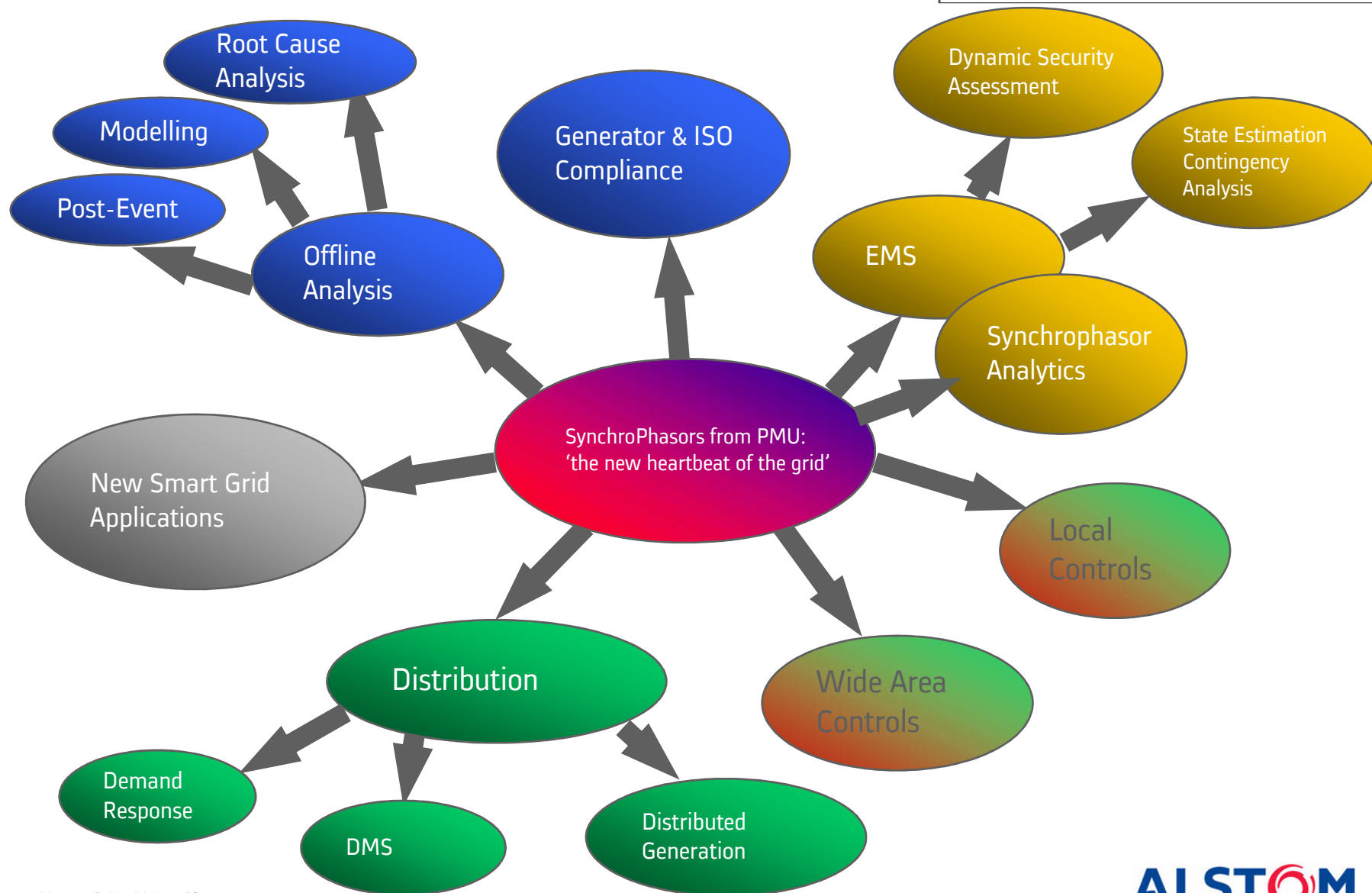


New challenges

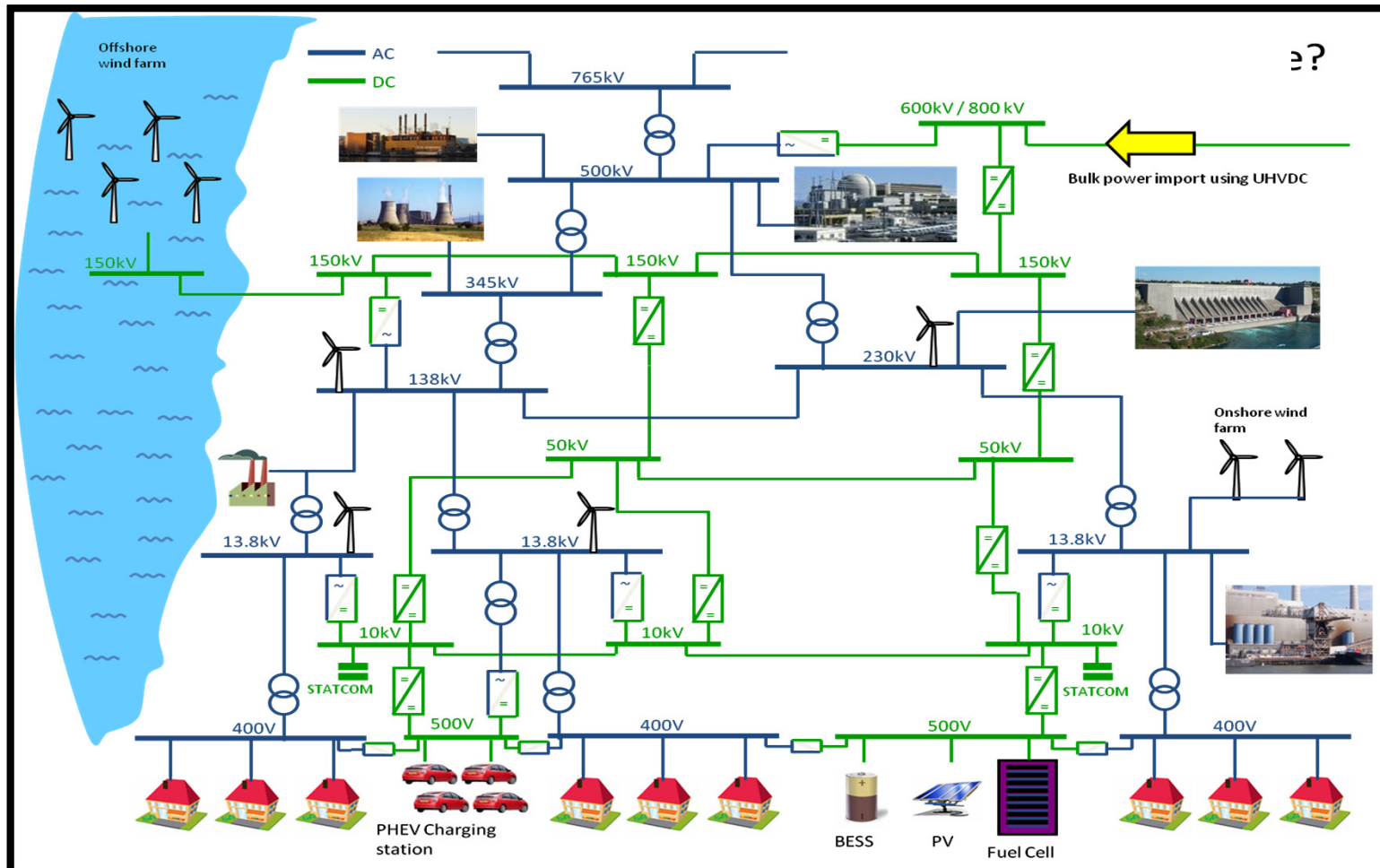


Synchrophasors: The New Heartbeat of the Grid!

Wide Area Situational Awareness Improves Renewable Energy Integration



Smarter Transmission and Distribution Grids Enable Large-Scale Renewable Integration



Power Electronics and Controls (e.g. HVDC, FACTS, Smart Inverters) Improve Grid Flexibility

Courtesy of: Carl Barker, Author of "Practical Management of Variable and Distributed Resources in Power Grids." In *Renewable Energy Integration*, Elsevier 2014



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