

Beyond the Smart-Grid

The resurgence of Direct-Current and Intel research into Demand Side Management and intermittent renewable energy

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SINCE 1998 AS A RESULT OF OUR CONSERVATION INVESTMENTS



3.8 MILLION WATTS OF SOLAR
POWER AT OUR SITES

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*This decade we will create and extend
computing technology to connect and enrich
the lives of every person on earth.*

- *PC, Datacenter, Adjacent Markets, Secure*
- *Care for our people, our planet*

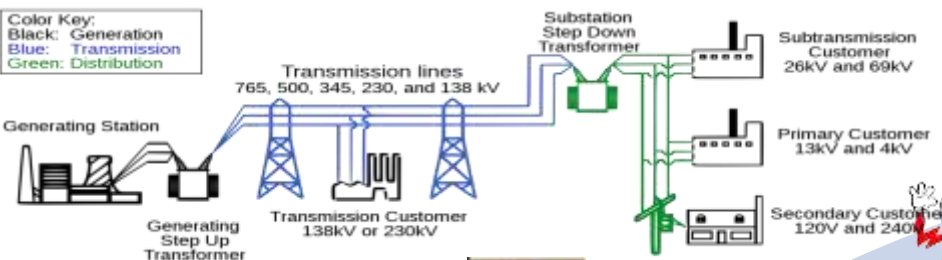
Beyond the Smart Grid – Personal Energy Systems

- The Smart-Grid: automating the electricity supply system
- Personal Energy Systems can make user-centered energy a reality
- Microgrids
 - Local Generation
 - Local Energy Storage
- Plug-n-Play Energy Monitoring & Management
- Eco-Sense Buildings
 - Distributed sensors + personal feedback
- Zero Net Energy Buildings



Electrification: #1 Greatest Engineering Achievements of the 20th Century¹

Color Key:
 Black: Generation
 Blue: Transmission
 Green: Distribution



1990 Wind competitive with Utility generation



Transforming!

"Alarming" Reforming

Performing

Norming

Storming

Forming



1888 War of Currents

1905 Electric Utility as "Natural Monopoly"

1930s Hoover Dam, TVA, REA, Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, BPA

1970s EPRI, Energy Crisis, PURPA, Three Mile Island

2000s California Energy Crisis, Northeast Blackout, Energy Policy Act of 2005



¹ <http://www.greatachievements.org/>



Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

Tomorrow

Gen.



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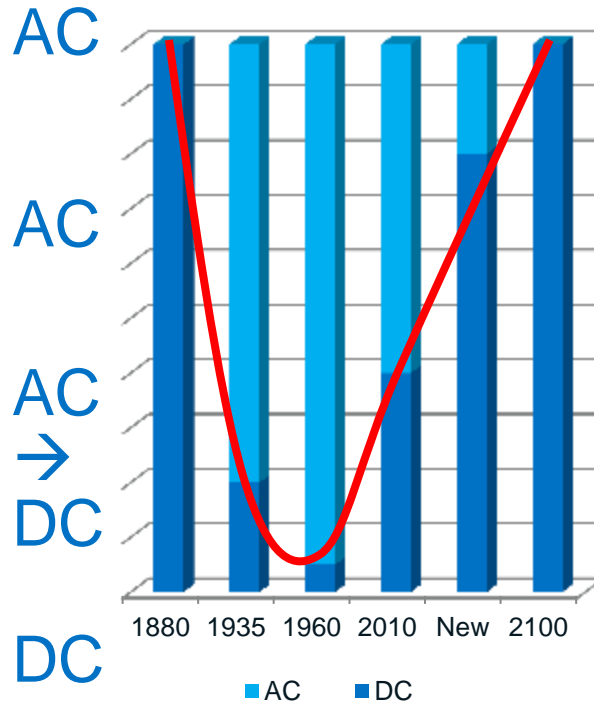
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Load



Electrical Load Base



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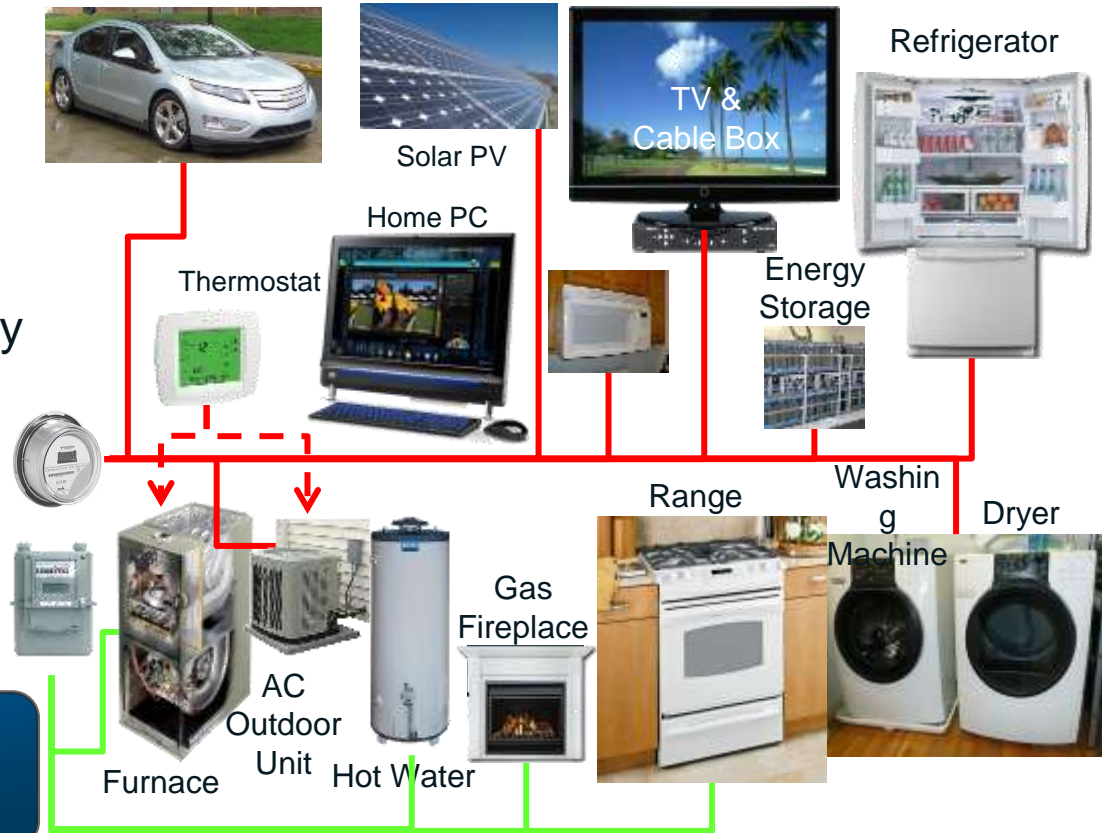


Direct-Current (DC) Microgrids

The world is already DC

- HVDC transmission
- 80% of power handled by power electronics (DC)¹
- Sustainable /Alternate Energy (PV, Wind, Fuel Cells)
- Energy Storage (Batteries)
- Datacenters (ETSI 300 132-3)
- CFCs, LEDs, EVs, VFD

If we were doing the grid today, it would be DC



¹ Center for Power Electronic Systems ² EMerge Alliance



Personal Energy Can Empower the Consumer

- Parallel Computing
- Energy Efficiency
- Trust & Security
- Si Photonics & Wireless
- User Experiences

...and much more!

Partnerships

UNIVERSITIES

GOVERNMENT

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INTEL PRODUCT GROUPS

Solar Energy MiaSolé SULFURCELL TRONY Voltaix SpectraWatt	Smart Grid Management Nexant GRIDNET kigsystel viridityenergy Acquired cpower	Energy Efficient Computing CONVEY Applied Green Light Adaptive E-INK	Premise Energy Management GainSpan OPEN PEAK pulse iControl Acquired ARCH ROCK	Advanced Energy Storage CYBIRT
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<p>Rich Consumer Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simple home management Personalized Recommendations Significant energy savings Accurate budgeting Set goals, earn rewards, share results 	<p>Clear Utility Benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrate with utility smart energy systems Enable demand response savings Leverage existing smart grid and meter investments Drive customer loyalty 	<p>Smart, Extensible Platform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrate with 3rd party services like security Drive simple user interaction with intelligent analytics Extend with application store and new apps
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Today Computing Is Always At Our Side

ENERGY	WEATHER	CLIMATE	WATER	AIR QUALITY	X-EVENTS	AGRICULTURE	TRANSPORTATION
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Part of Our Lives Everyone Does It

Make it Personal, Open, Scalable, Sustainable



Wireless Energy Sensing Technology

- Energy savings from
 - Energy Monitoring – up to 15%
 - Energy Management – up to 30%
- Current Transducers can cost \$400 to \$1,000 to have an electrician install.
- WEST – Wireless Energy Sensing Technology
 - Consumer Installed – just plug it in
 - Sensing AC mains voltage variation and using inferencing engine to recognize loads
 - Integrates with standard WiFi
 - Works with Home Energy Monitors or web-based energy analysis
 - Currently in Field Research Trials



Home Energy Management

- 90% of home energy use is just a handful of devices
- Electric Vehicles will pop to the top
- Energy Mgmt interest: ~2 weeks
- Monitoring must be automated
- Management must be policy-based
- Must be Self-CHOP: -Configuring, -Healing, -Optimizing, -Protecting
- Privacy/Security must be built in
- Researching: Private & secure scheduling of appliances (HVAC, PEV, etc.) for optimal cost & comfort

Appliance	Consumer Perception
AC	7.93
Clothes Dryer	6.63
Water Heater	6.34
Refrigerator	6.23
Clothes Washer	5.47
Oven	5.01
Dishwasher	4.88
Television	4.54
Range	4.39
PC	3.94

Source: *The New Energy Consumer*
ZPryme Research and Consulting, May 2011



Eco Sense Buildings

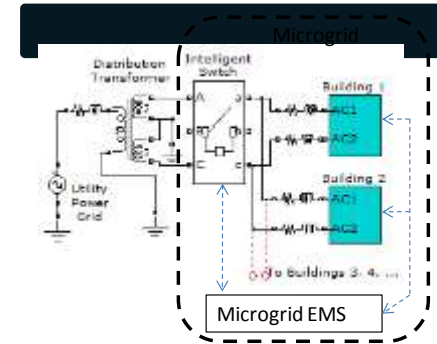
- 72% of Electricity used by Buildings
- 52% is plug loads (mostly IT); BMS (Building Mgmt Systems) mostly HVAC
- Extend IT technology in buildings for energy efficiency, comfort & safety
 - sensors to monitor and manage PC/IT power
 - Augment BMS with IT sensing: occupancy, ambient, task & comfort
 - Eco-feedback on PC – monitor and manage your own energy use



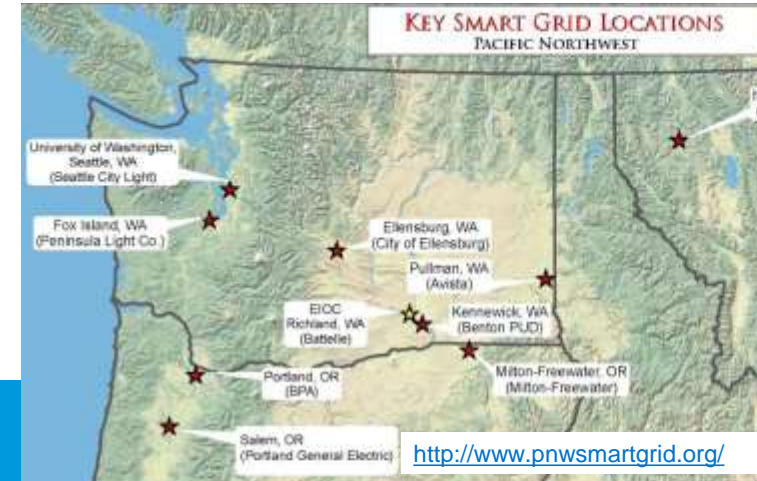
Microgrid control with Univ. of Colorado & PGE



- 2010-11 : Developed component and system models in a simulation platform to support investigations of architectural, control and optimization techniques in microgrids. (ECCE '10)

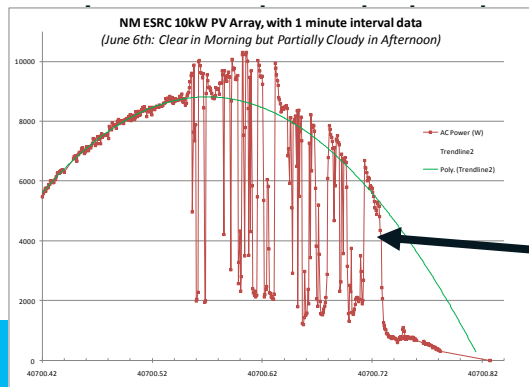


- 2011-12 : Using platform to develop an Energy Mgmt System for a microgrid planned in Portland General Electric (PGE) service territory as part of the Pacific Northwest Smart Grid Demonstration Project



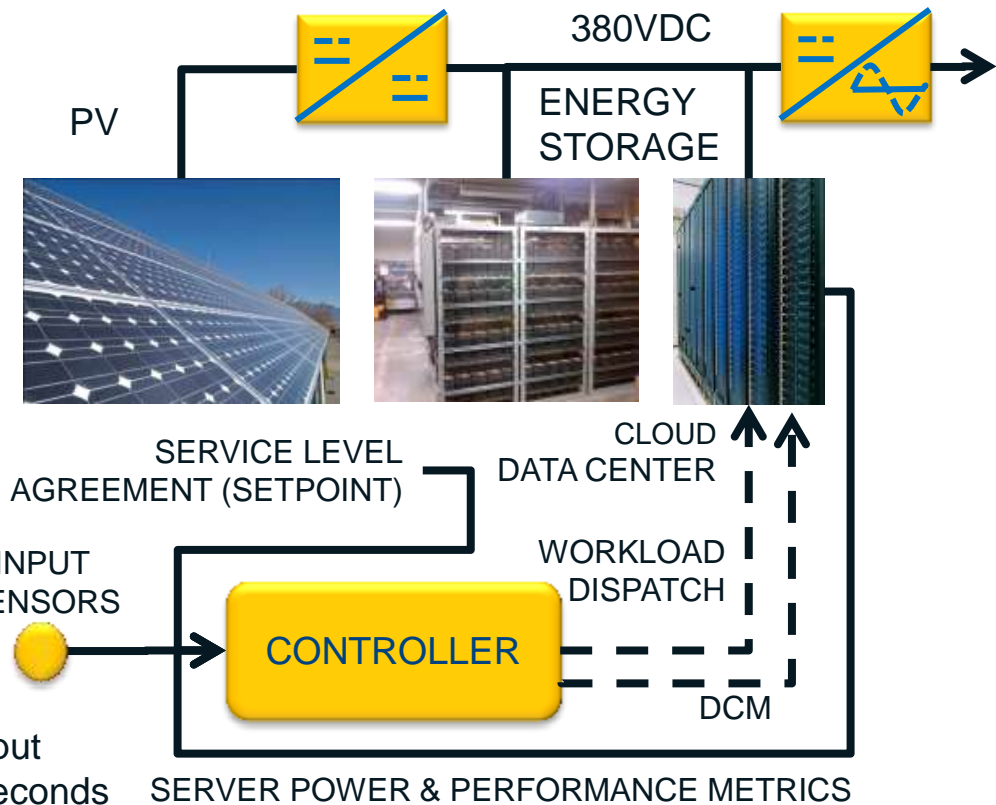
More Renewables on the grid with Micro-Dispatchable Loads

- The Smart-Grid can only add 20-30% alternate energy
- Use Cloud Data Centers, as a load
 - Balance Power vs. Workload
 - Stabilize & firm the output
- Augment Cloud Data Centers with Demand-Response revenue



-signal, ...

Clouds can take PV output
To 20% in seconds

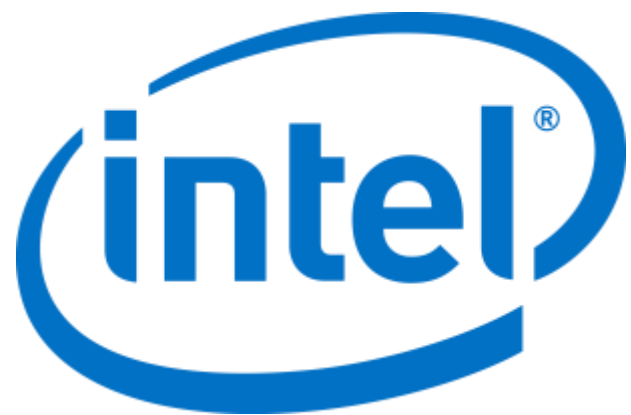


Summary

- The World is Becoming DC
- Personal Energy
 - Empowers the Consumer
 - Ubiquitous Ambient Sensing
 - Policy Driven
 - Self-CHOP
Configure, Heal, Optimize, Protect
 - Open, Scalable, Sustainable
 - Revolutionizes Demand-Side Mgmt
 - Creates the revenue stream to pay for the Smart-Grid



Personal Energy for a Sustainable Future



Additional Sources of Information

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Energy Savings Opportunities for Building Owners

Building Applications <i>(in priority timing of EMerge Alliance*)</i>	% of Building Energy	Potential Energy Savings - DC	Keys to Maximizing Efficiency in Going DC
Interiors (Lighting)**	28%**	Up to 15%	LED, Renewables
Data/Telecom	17%	Up to 30%	Higher voltage conversions, Renewables
Service/Utility (HVAC)	36%	Up to 10%	Renewables
Outdoor	6%	Up to 10%	LED, Renewables
Other (misc equip loads)	13%	Up to 5%	Different voltage conversions

Vision: DC Microgrids Throughout Buildings



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**Higher energy use in office buildings, up to 40%

380Vdc – The New Standard

380Vdc has consistently demonstrated superior efficiency

- LBNL 2006, Intelc 2007, Intel, Emerson, HP Study 2009
- Fewest Conversions, Highest Voltage

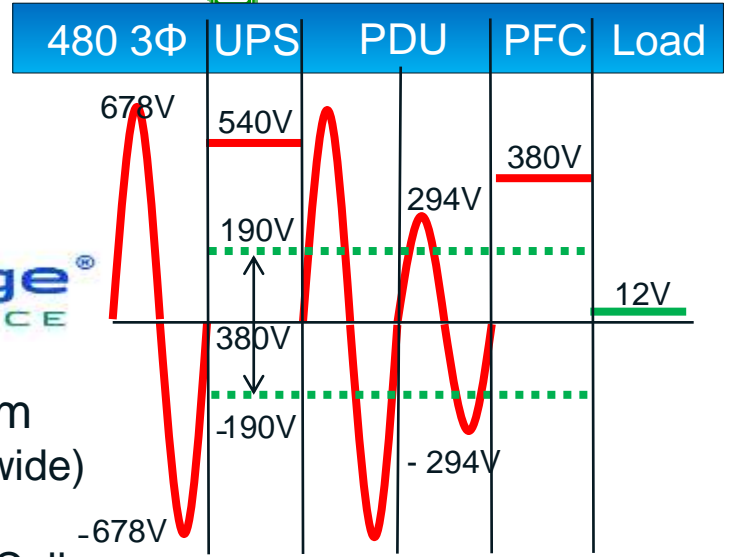
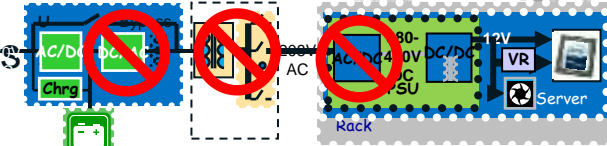
380Vdc has considerable advantages

- 28% more efficient than 208VAC¹
- 7% more efficient than 415VAC²
- 15% less up-front capital cost in volume²
- 33% less floor space²
- 36% lower lifetime cost³
- 200%-1000% more reliable²
- No Harmonics, As Safe or Safer



380Vdc has considerable support and momentum

- EPRI, EMerge Alliance (80+ organizations, worldwide)
- ETSI 300132-3-1 v2.1.13 (1) (2011), NEC 2014
- Applicable to lights, motors, EVs, PV, Wind, Fuel Cells



¹ Intel, Intelc Paper, 2007 ² Intel, HP/EYP, Emerson, Whitepaper, 2009 ³Validus/GE Study, 2010⁴ IEC 23E WG2 as safe as 250Vac, safer than 415Vac



IEC 23E WG 2 – as safe as 250Vac, safer than 415Vac

Voltage to earth	Breaking times (s) AC		Breaking times (s) DC	
	Direct contact (IEC 60479) $I_{\Delta n}$ ac max= 30 mA	Direct contact (IEC 60479) $I_{\Delta n}$ dc max= 100 mA	Fault protection (IEC 60364-4-41)	
			TN	TT
400V	560 Ω 714 mA Not possible	560 Ω 714 mA Not possible	0,4	0,2
300V	595 Ω 500 mA Limit. Not recommended	595 Ω 500 mA Limit. Not recommended	0,4	0,2
250V	620 Ω 400mA 150ms safety margin for ac is approx. 1/4 (40 ms)	620 Ω 400mA 80ms Does not allow same safety margin as for ac	0,4	0,2
200V (3 wires with Middle point grounded)		640 Ω 300mA 150ms Allows comparable safety margin as for ac (1/4)	5	0,4