



CYBER POWER TEST-BED DEVELOPMENT & CYBER SECURITY ANALYTICS FOR SMART GRID RESILIENCY

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The Highly Dangerous 'Triton' Hackers Have Probed the

The same targets.

Home > Cyberwarfare



By Eduardo Koro

Authoritarian reports.

Major Power Outage in India Possibly Caused by Hackers: Reports

Ransomware City

July 26, 2019

Hackers trigger outage in U

For the second year in a row

DAN GOODIN - 1/11/2017, 1:07 PM



Ukrainian power grid 'lucky' to withstand Russian cyber-attack

By Joe Tidy
Cyber reporter

12 April



Russia-Ukraine war



WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT IT?

Tools

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Tools for Cyber Resiliency

Algorithms and tools for cyber anomaly detection, classification, localization, root cause analytics and resiliency analysis

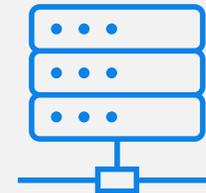


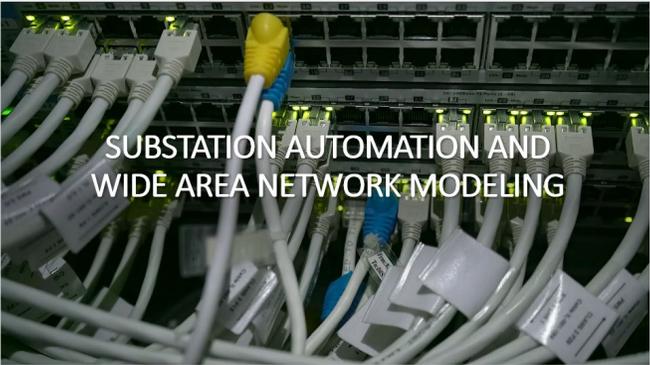
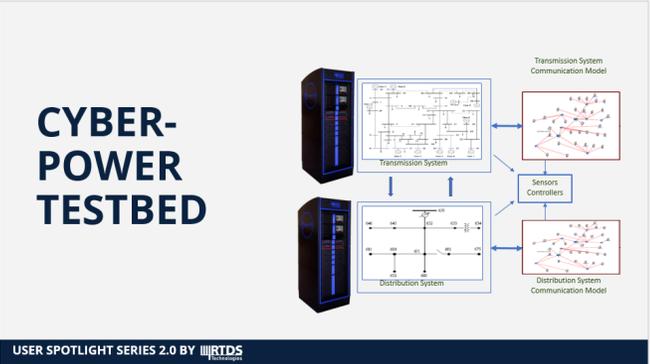
Testbed

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Testbed for Validation

Validate algorithms and tools for deployment



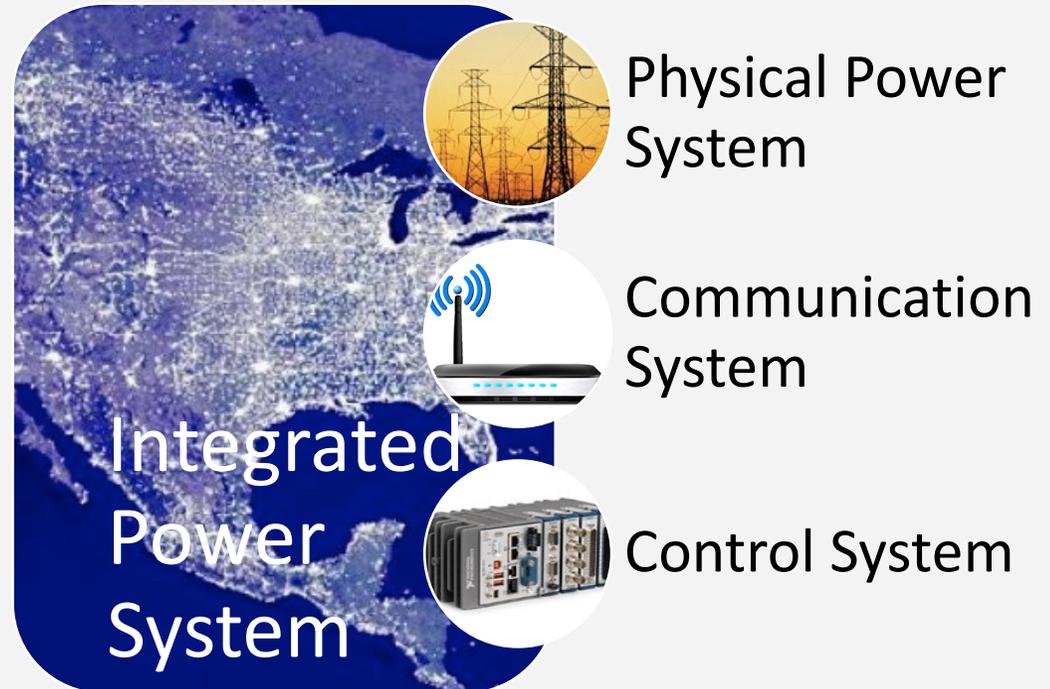




WHY CYBER-POWER
TESTBED IS NEEDED

WHY REAL-TIME TESTBED WITH CO-SIMULATION

- The Electric Grid is becoming increasingly complex with the new technologies and services such as,
 - Distributed Energy Resources (DERs).
 - Internet of Thing (IoT) devices.
 - Communication network technologies.
- Prone to Cyber Attacks (Stuxnet malware, Ukraine attack)
- Deploying new technologies needs extensive testing and validation
- Not realistic to test new cyber-physical algorithms on an actual power system
- Testbeds provide confidence in solution!
- Co-Simulation of increasingly complex power system with communication systems, control systems help accurately test new applications
- Need to determine if time sensitive applications perform as required in this integrated environment





CHALLENGES IN DEVELOPING CYBER- POWER TESTBED

CHALLENGES AND POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

Synchronization between dynamic power system and discrete cyber network system

Developed Hardware-In-The-Loop testbed using NS3 & SEL SDN switches to exchange data in real time

Interfacing multi vendor hardware & software components

Worked with SEL, RTDS & GPA products to come up with common supporting standards and protocol

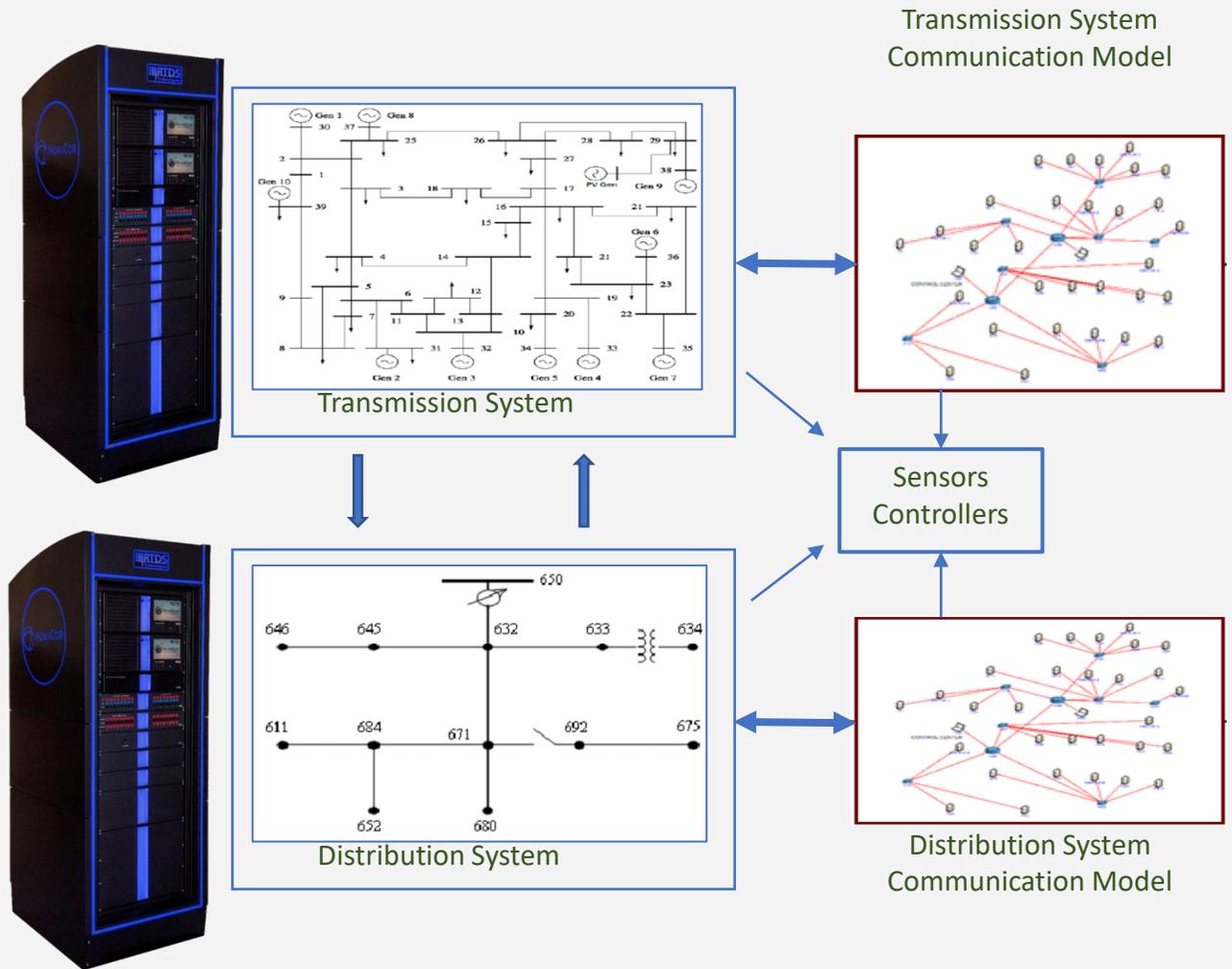
Developing logging & data storage system involving both power and cyber data

Used a combination of MySQL and Cloud Database along with Splunk to create a real-time logging system

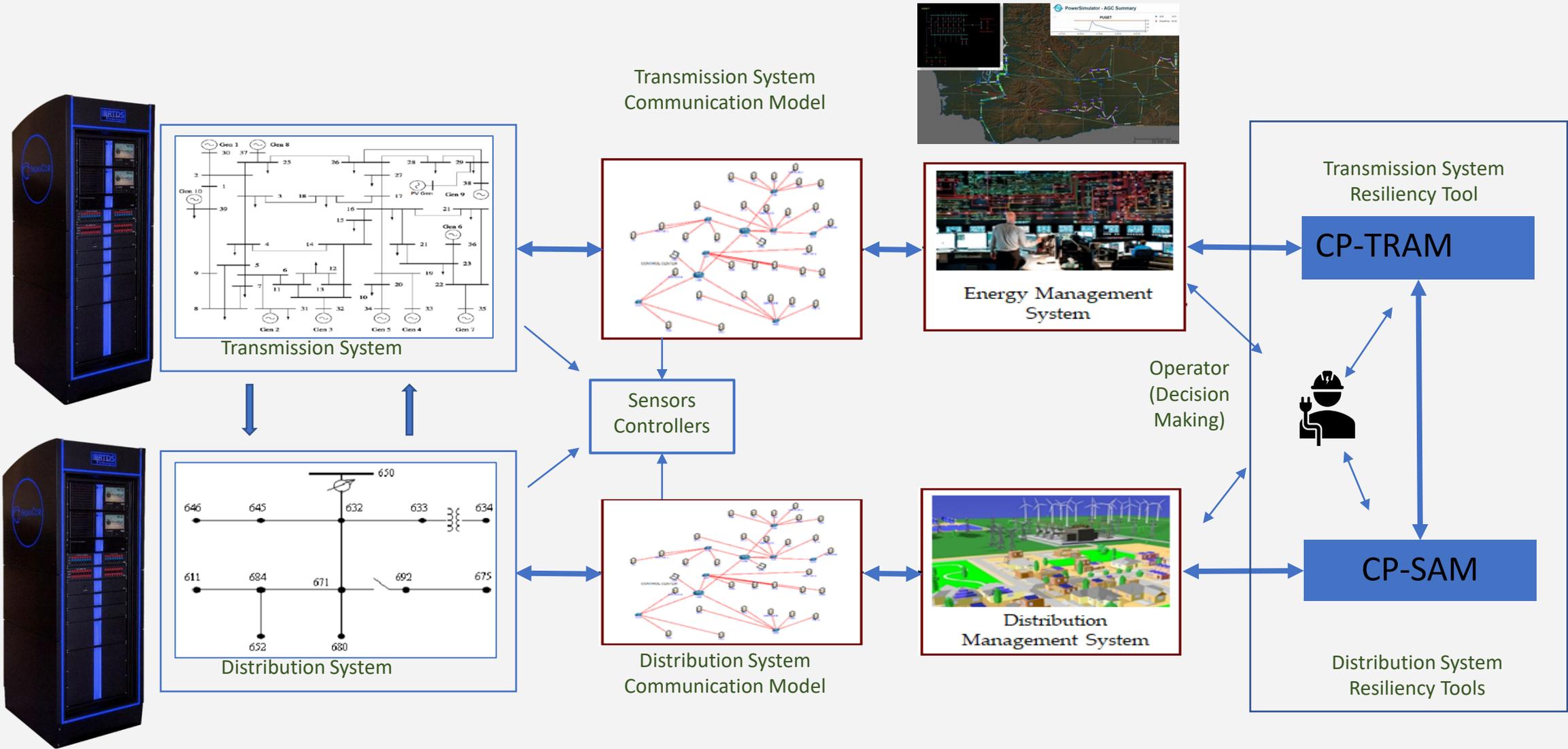
Creating real-time cyber-power scenarios to validate monitoring and control tools

Developing different cyber attack and power system events to create real-time cyber-power scenarios

CYBER-POWER TESTBED



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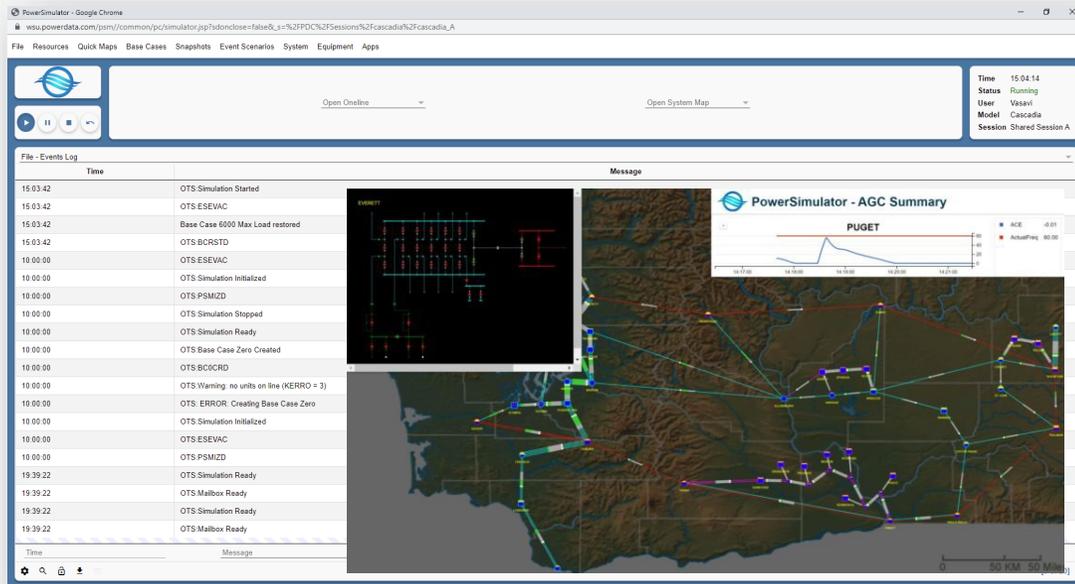




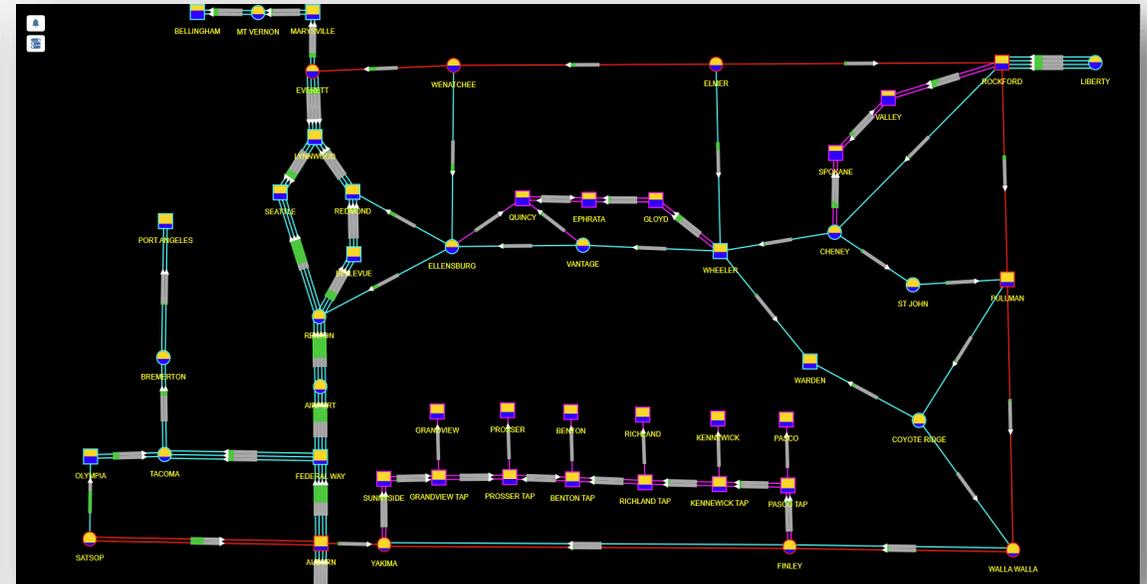
POWER SYSTEM MODELING

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- Dynamic Model to Represent Field System: Electromagnetic model developed in RTDS
- Realistic Static Model in Control Room using PowerSimulator– A realistic platform for power system operation and control developed by IncSys and PowerData.
- About PowerSimulator: The Modeling and Simulation Solution with Dispatch training simulator.
- Cascadia Test System: A power system model in PowerSimulator also being developed in RTDS.



PowerSimulator web user interface

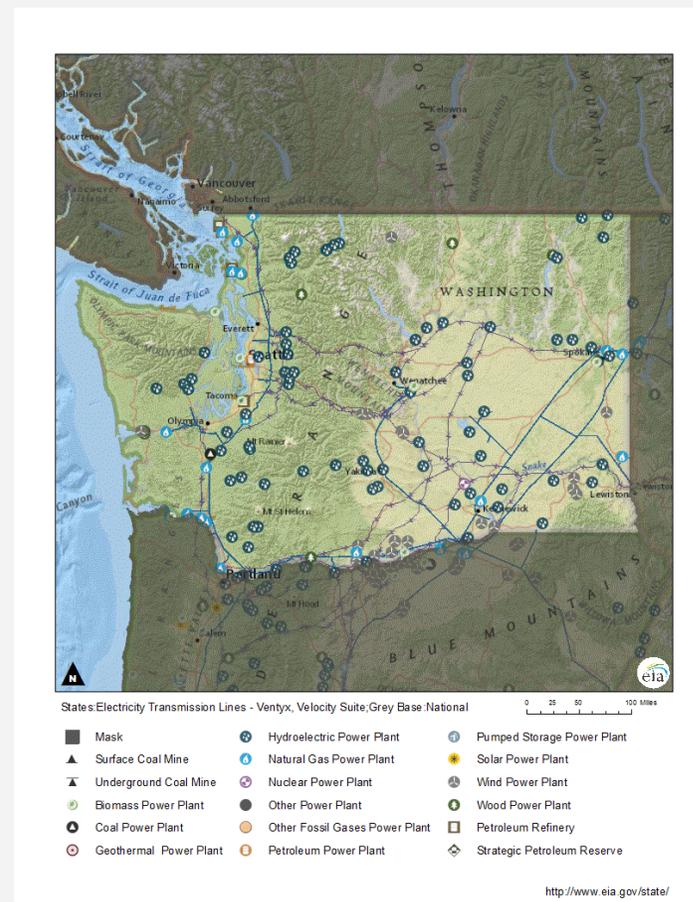


System Schematic-Cascadia power system model

CASCADIA POWER SYSTEM

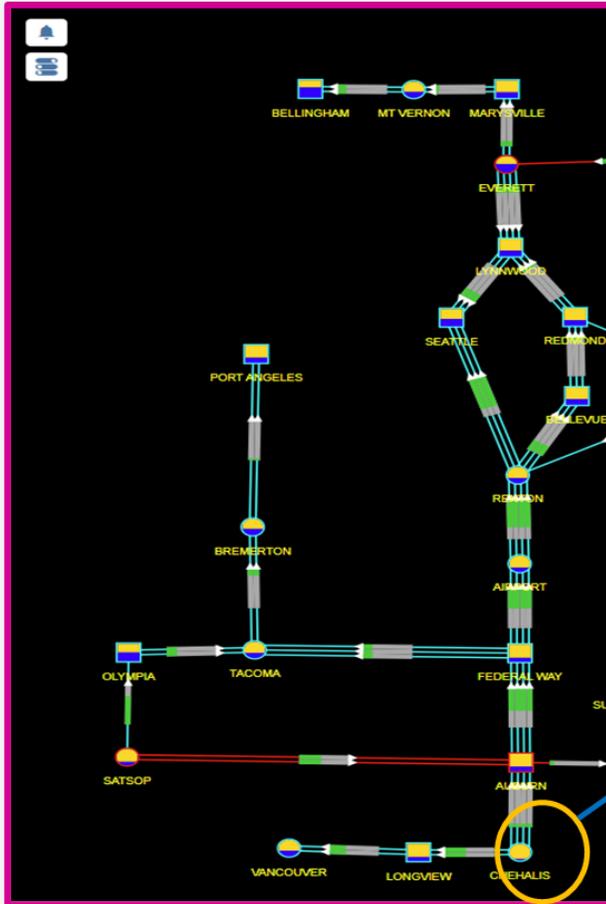
HIGHLIGHTS

- Total number of sub stations: 54
- With an overall 21 generating stations (mainly Hydro, Thermal and Natural Gas)
- The Largest generator is at Chehalis with 1200 MW capacity.
- The Cascadia deals with power transfer through 115 KV, 230 KV and 525 KV lines.

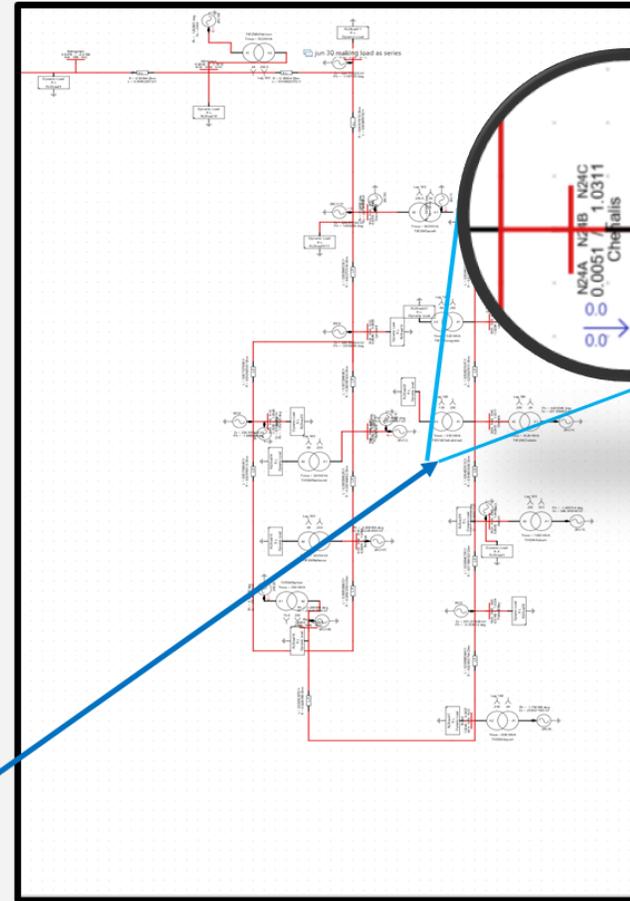


Test System Representing Washington State Area

WESTERN REGION(PUGET) OF CASCADIA MODELLED IN RTDS



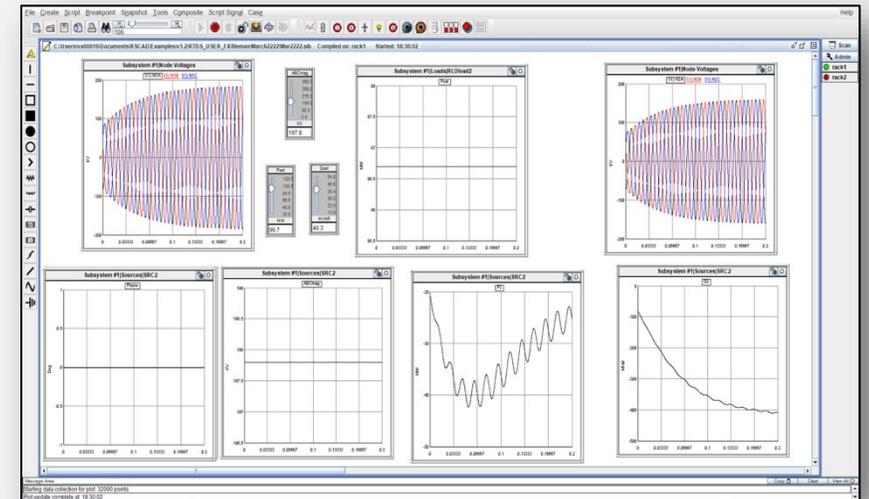
Puget Region of Cascadia on PowerSimulator



Cascadia(Puget) on RTDS via RsCad Fx

The Power Flow converges after 6 iterations

Real Power flow achieved identical to PowerSimulator



Voltage and Power wave forms from Mt Vernon substation in PUGET model on RTDS



SUBSTATION CYBER NETWORK MODELING



Real-Time Digital Simulator Running Cascadia Model

Real Time Automation & Controller (RTAC), Working as Local PDC and local historian

Software Defined Networking (SDN) Switches connecting substation network

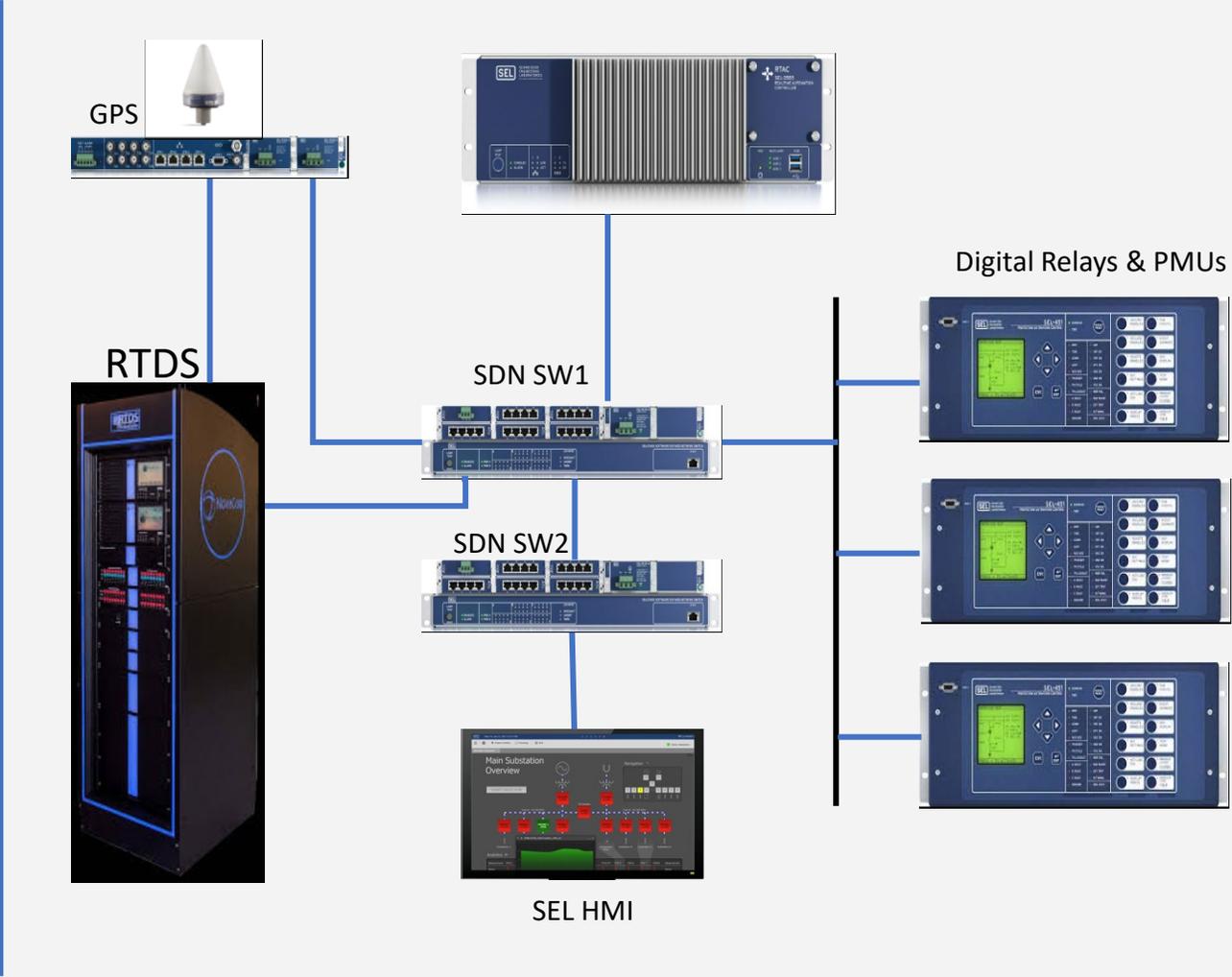
Substation Workstation and local HMI

SEL Relays and PMUs connecting RTDS

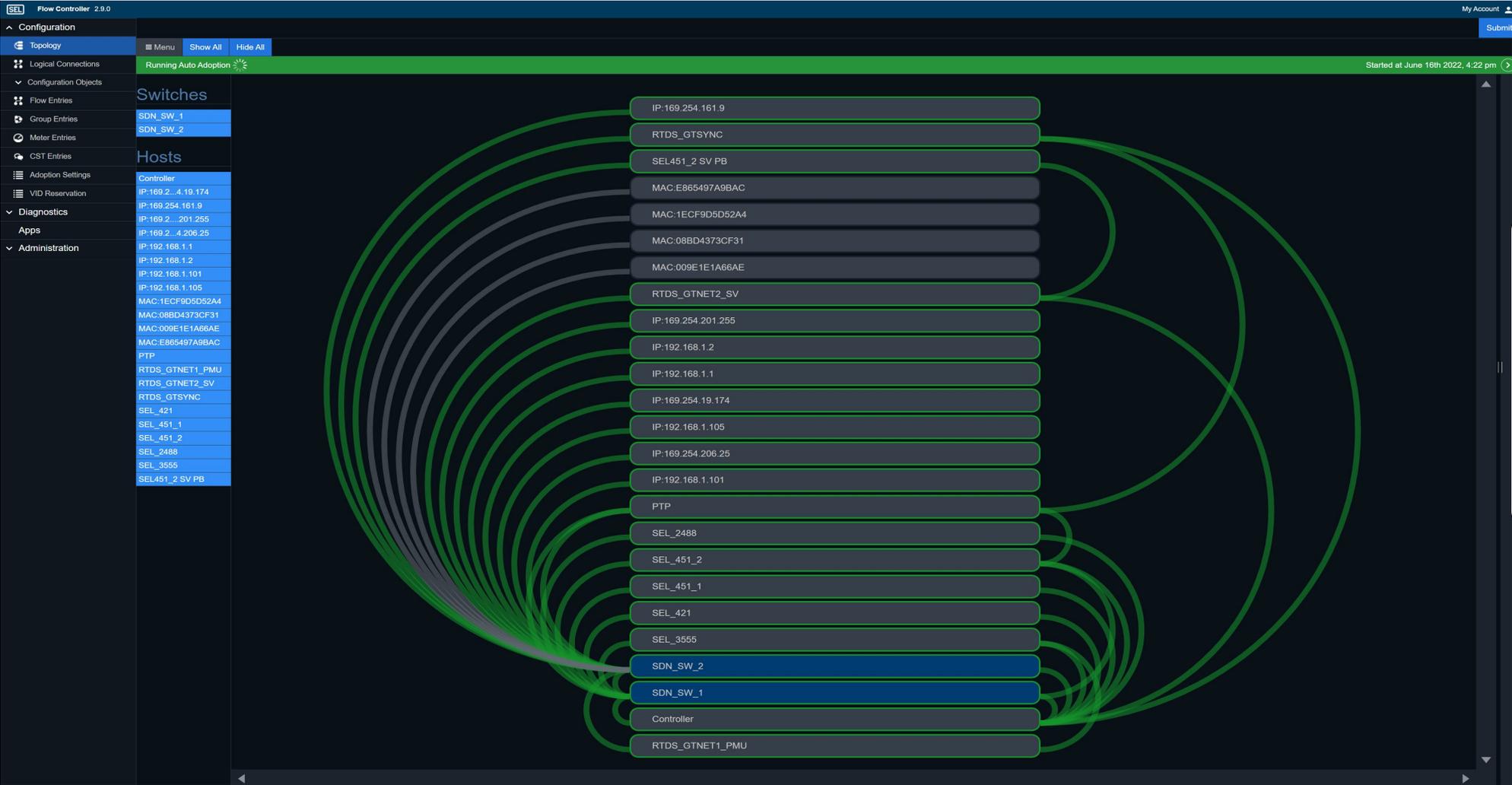
SEL GPS for time synchronization

Substation communication is developed using a combination of both RTDS software PMU/Relay and SEL hardware PMU/relays

SUBSTATION CYBER NETWORK MODELING, CONNECTIVITY

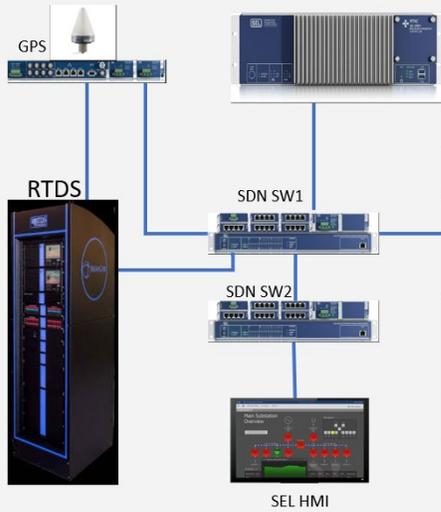


SOFTWARE DEFINED NETWORK TOPOLOGY FOR SUBSTATION NETWORK, HMI VIEW

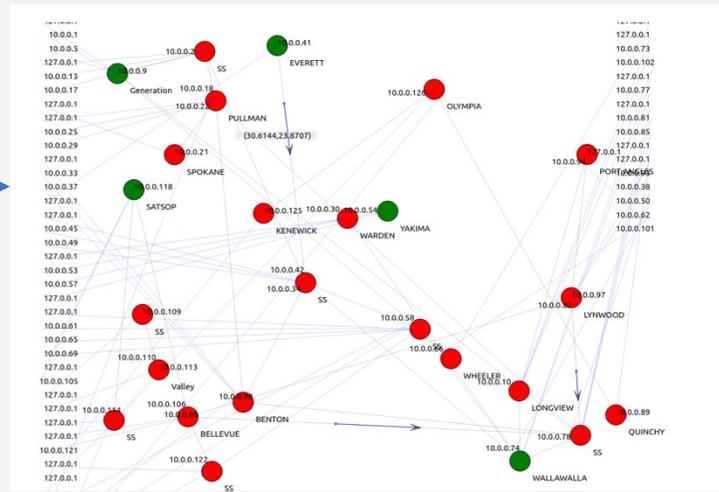


- SDN Advantages:**
- Greater Reliability via Automation
 - More Efficient Network Management
 - Improved Security

END TO END DATA CONNECTIVITY, FROM SUBSTATION TO CONTROL CENTER USING NS3



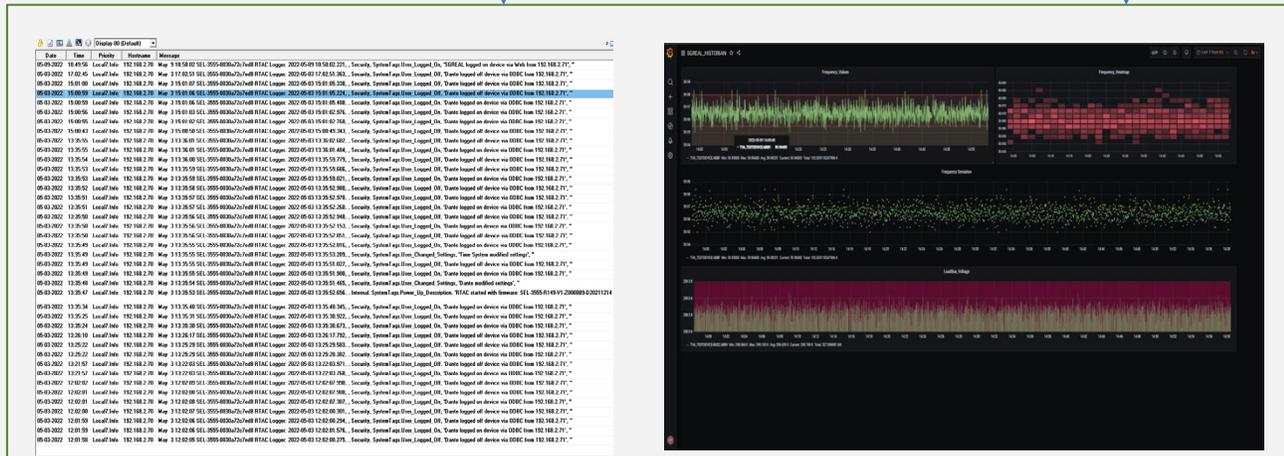
Substation Cyber Network Modeling



NS3 communication network for multiple substations



OpenPDC receiving data from substation to control center



Logging and Archiving from Substation, NS3 and Control center



CONTROL CENTER MODELING AND CYBER LOG MONITORING

SG-REAL CONTROL CENTER

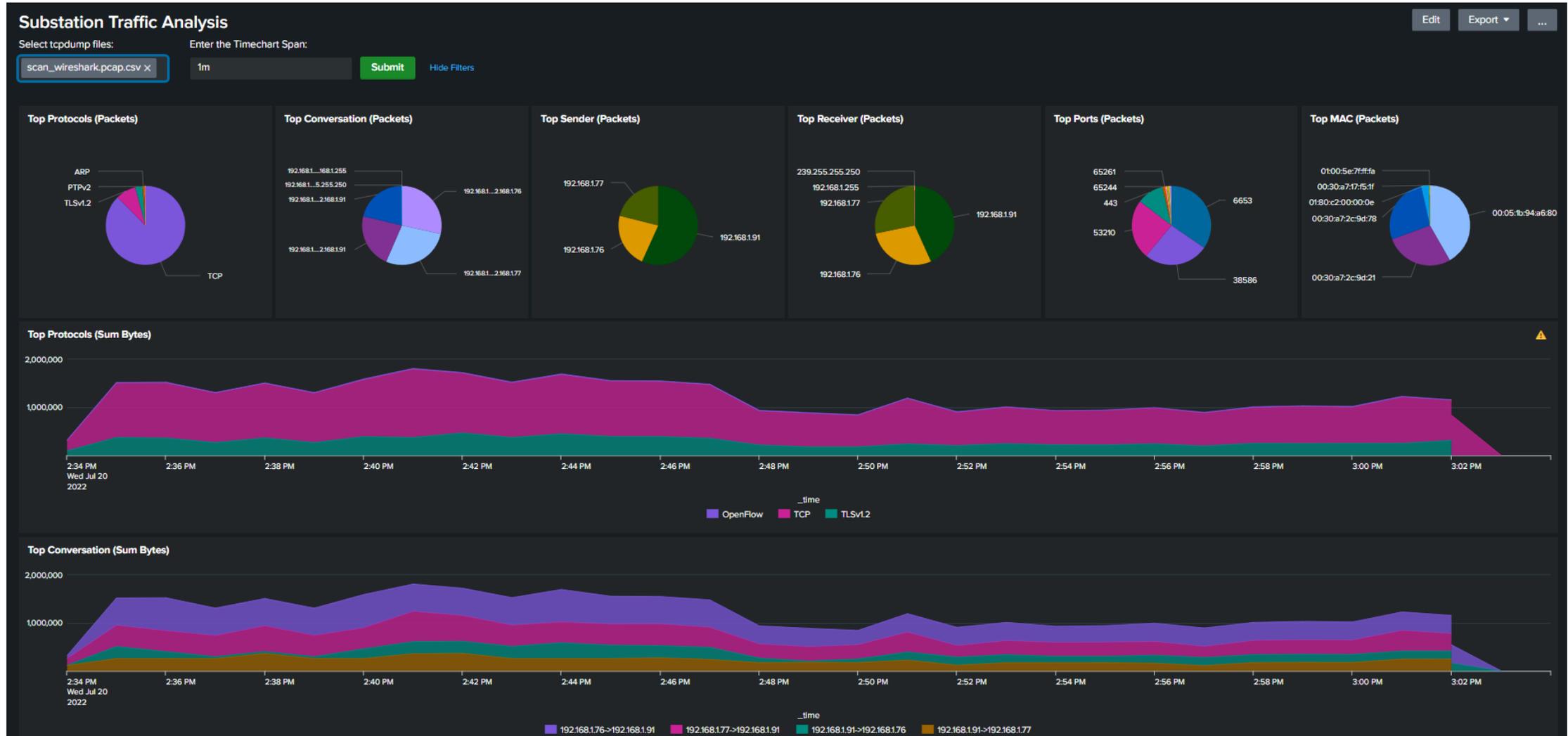


Control Center is developed for:

- Power system operation center
- Network Operation center

Dashboards from the screenshot shown in the slides is being shown here in the control center

SG-REAL CYBER LOG MONITORING SYSTEM

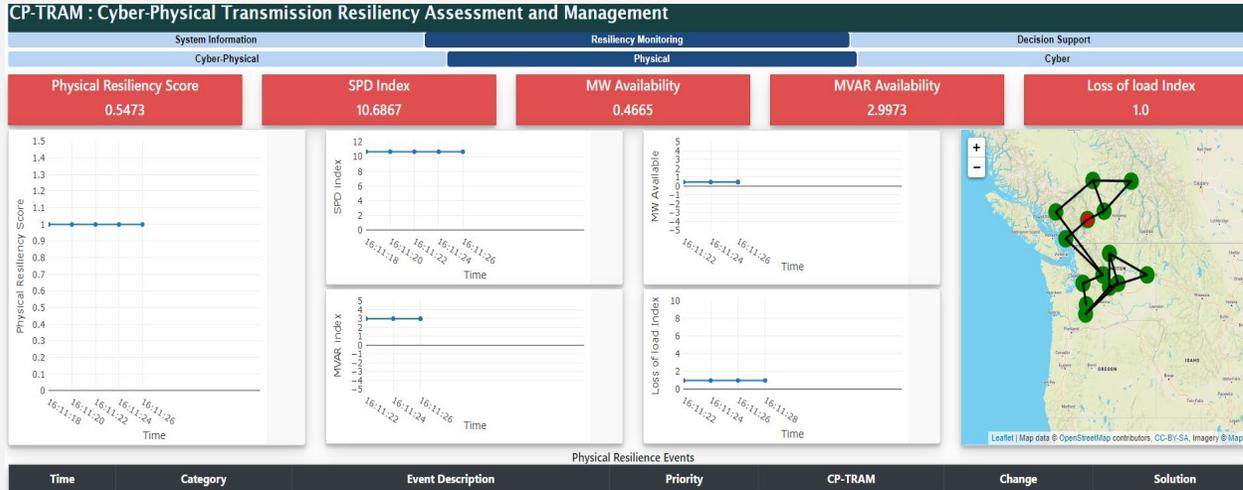


Assisting operator to investigate Network anomaly using dashboard and data logging



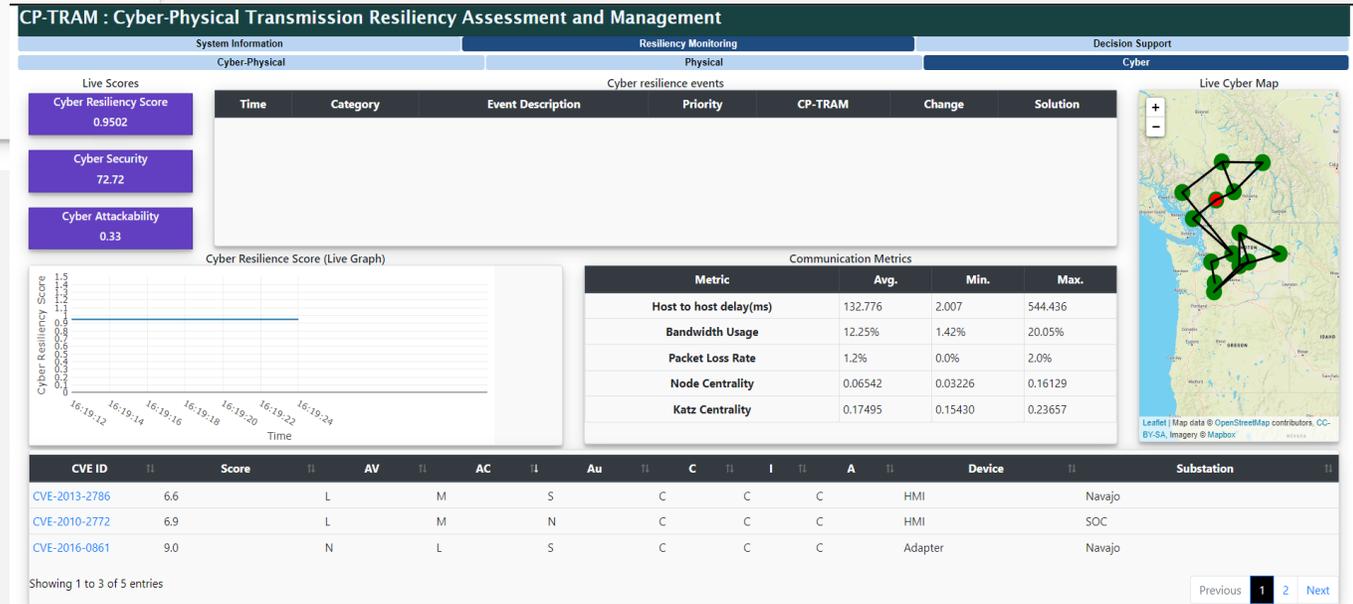
INTEGRATION
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ANALYSIS TOOLS

ADVANCED TOOLS, CP-TRAM



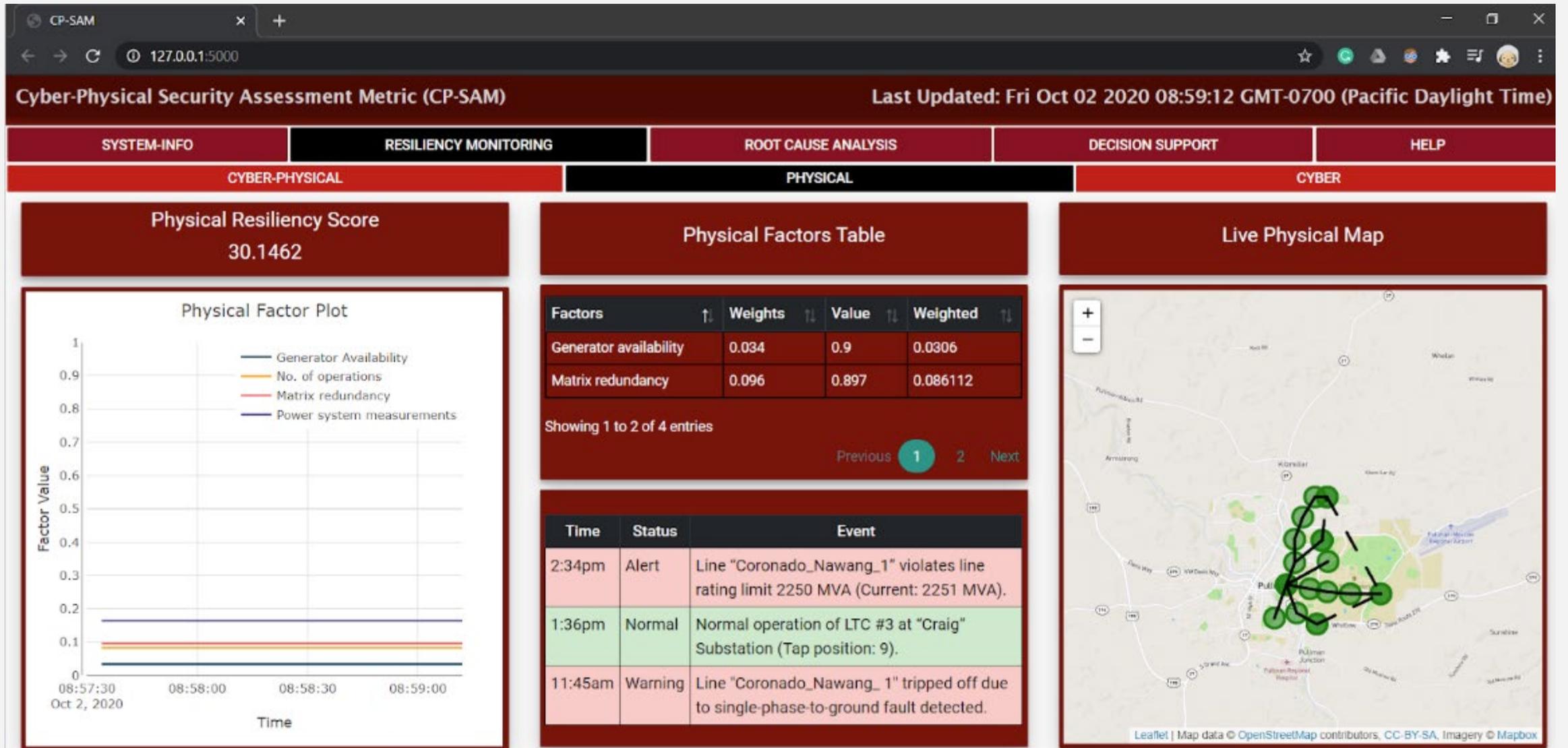
Physical Scenario, showing resiliency for Physical power system event such as tripping a breaker.

Cyber Scenario, showing resiliency in case of a cyber event such as network change or software update.



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ADVANCED TOOLS, CP-SAM



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SUMMARY



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DEVELOPED A REAL-TIME, MULTI-LAYER CYBER-POWER TESTBED

Used Real-Time Digital Simulator (RTDS) as a dynamic power system simulator.

Used both software PMUs/RTUs as well as SEL Hardware Relays & RTAC for substation level Automation with software defined networking.

Used NS3 network emulator to create wide area communication network on top of the physical power system

Used MySQL database, Snort IDS and Splunk Logging system for real-time security alerts and log analysis.

Developing Advanced Tools to help operators with better decision making and situational awareness

Generating Synthetic but realistic data for validation of the algorithms/ tools

Performing Cyber attacks and creating power events to understand the nature of interdependency within cyber-power system.

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