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Substation Automation System & IEC61850

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- Intro to Digital Substation
- Evolution of Substation Automation System
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Part II

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Part III

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- Comparison between conventional and SAS substation

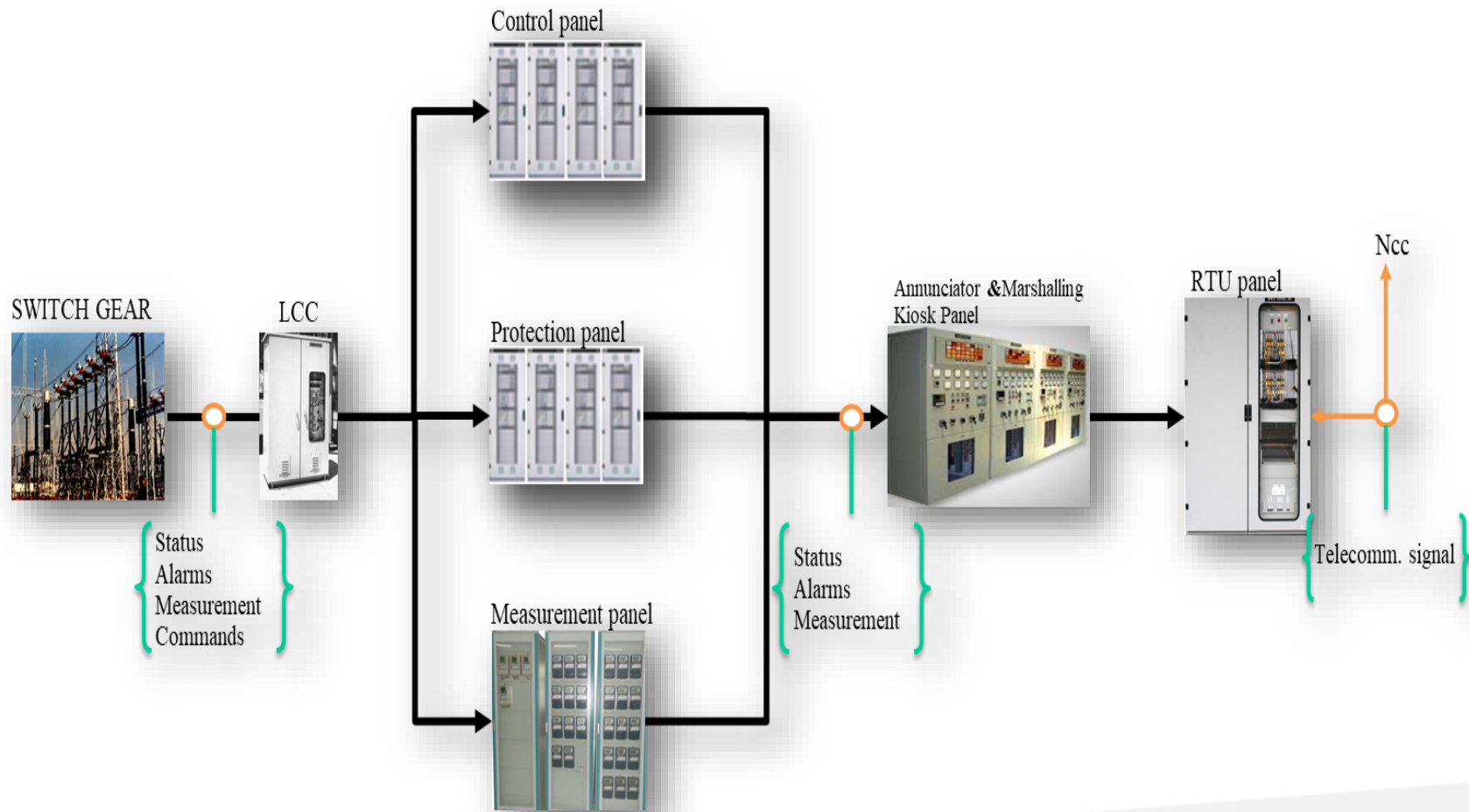
Substation automation system

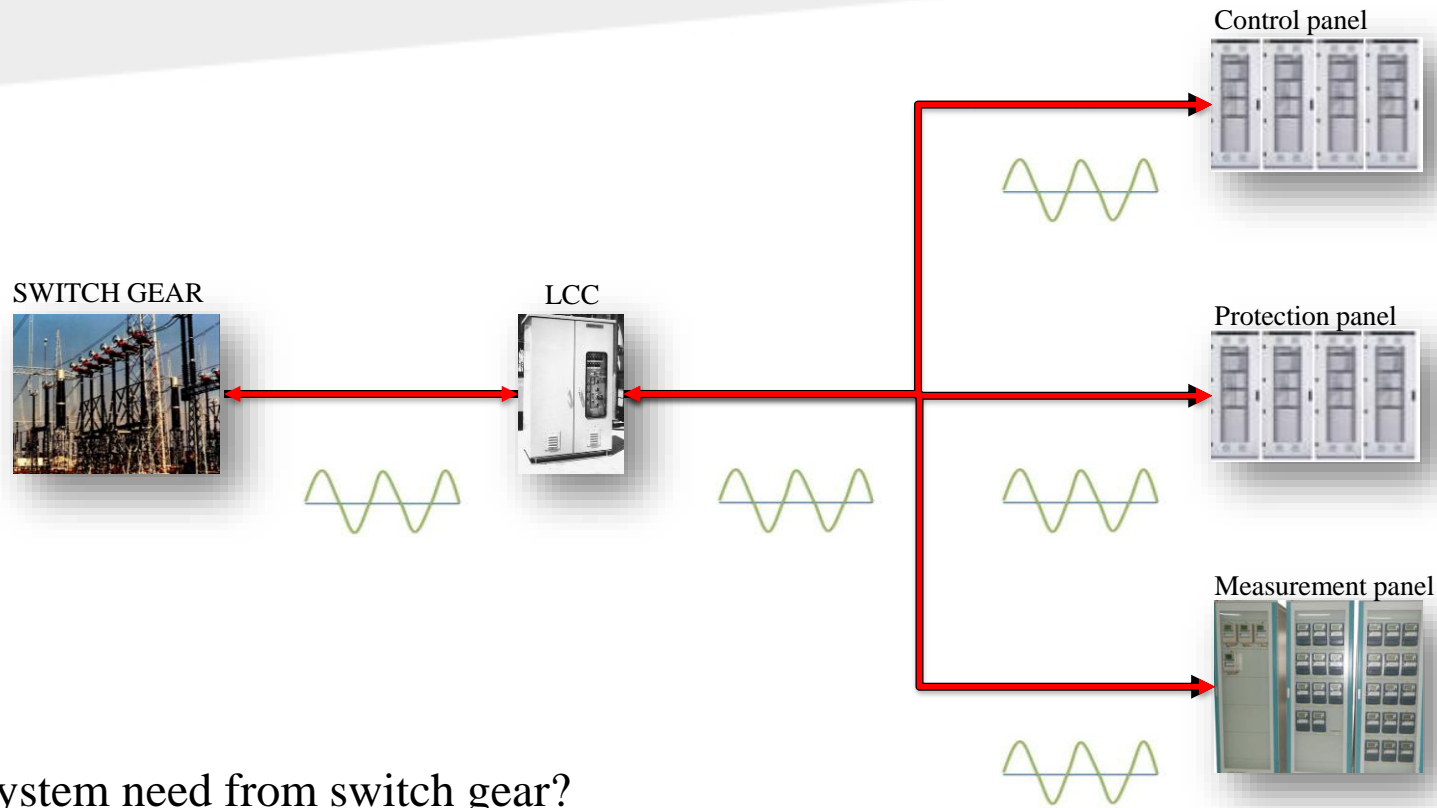
According to IEC61850

How substation works

Conventional Substation

□ How signal generated and transmit through system





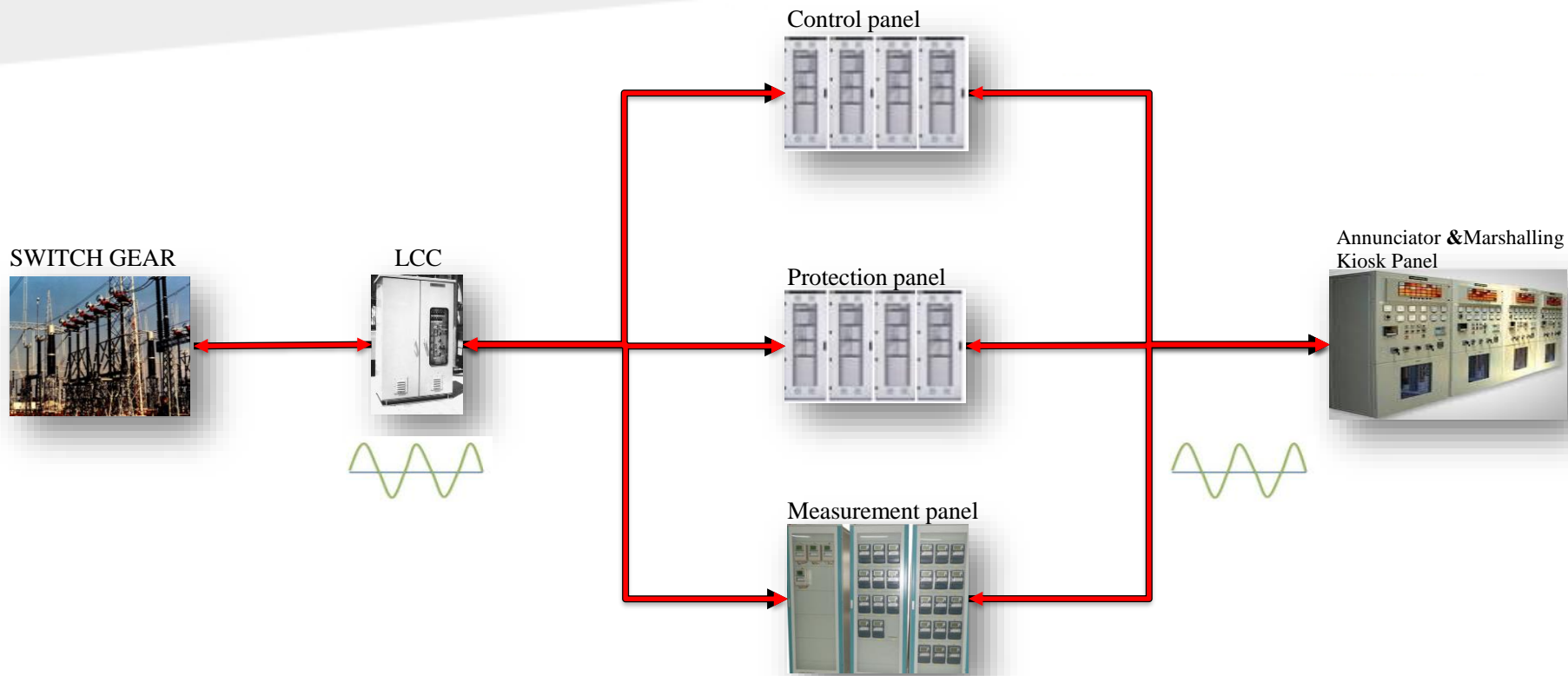
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- 1- command signal to operate parts of switch gear
- 2- all alarms

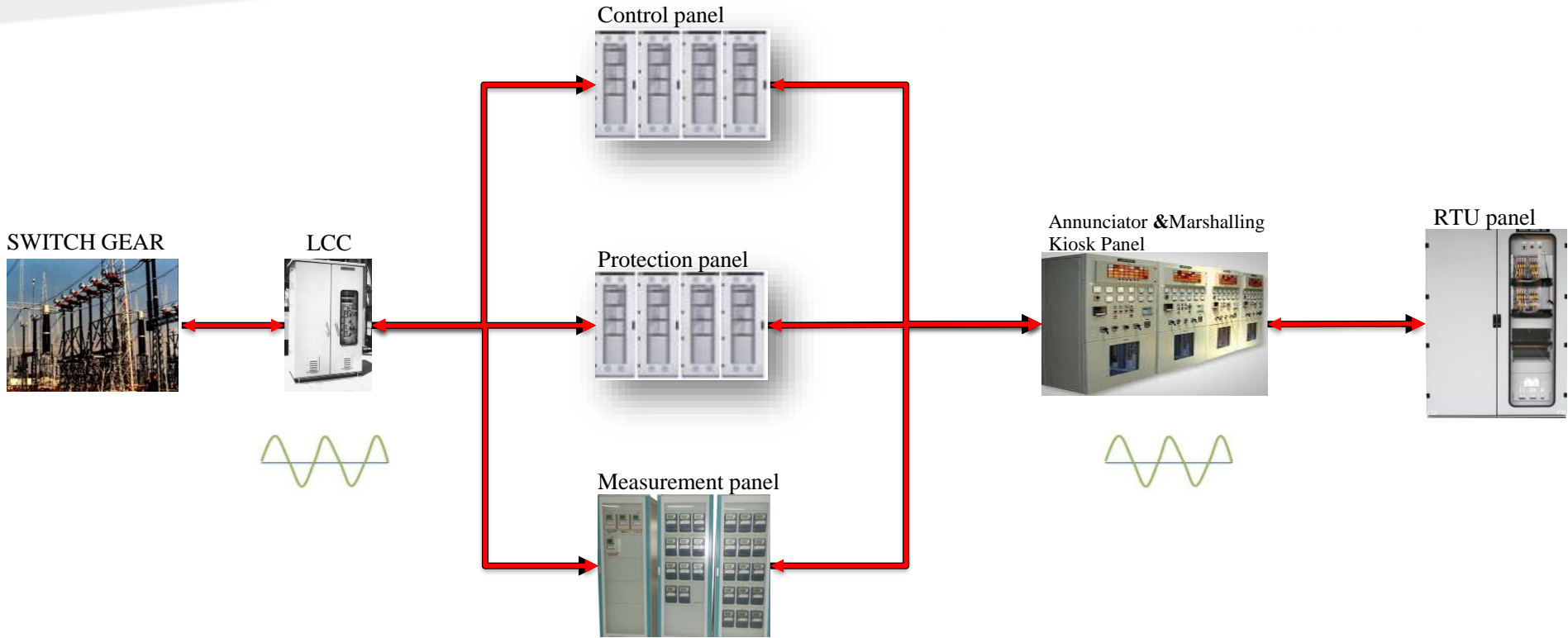




Signal distributed to all panels in parallel

- 1- Control panel
- 2- Protection panel
- 3- Measurement panel

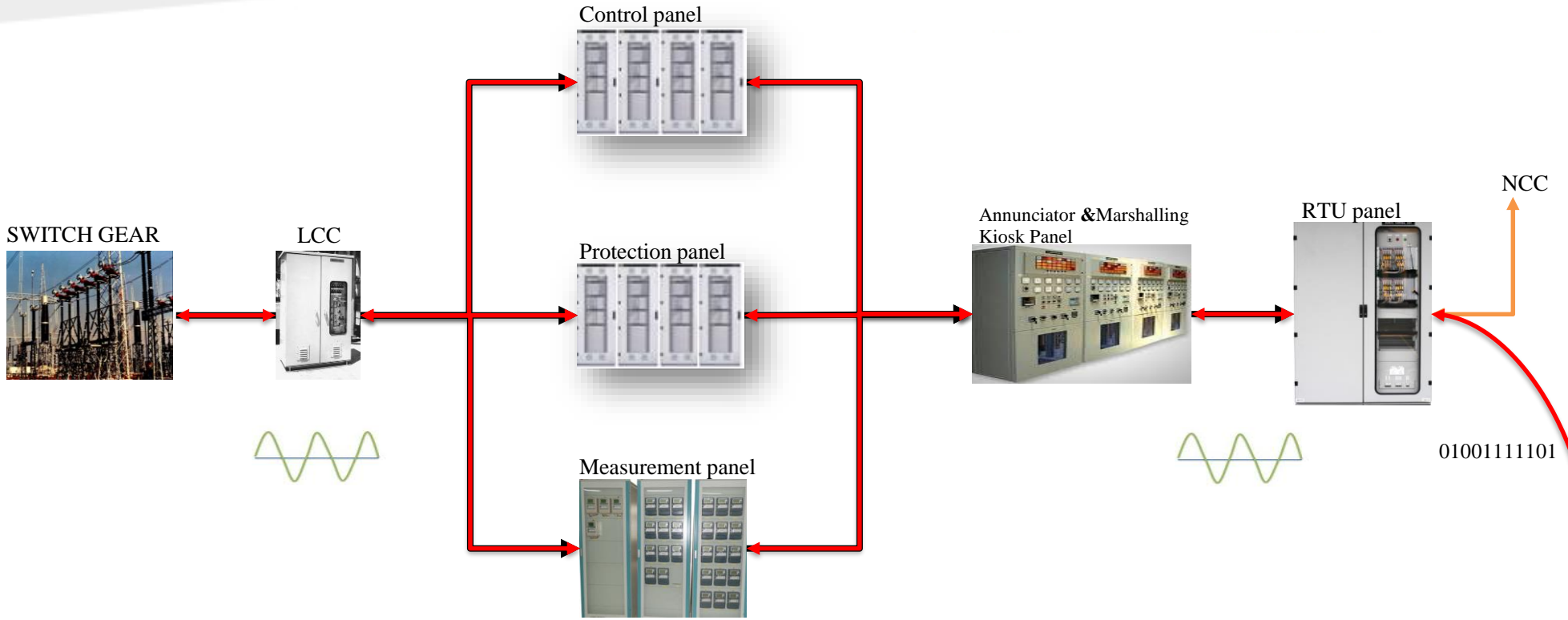




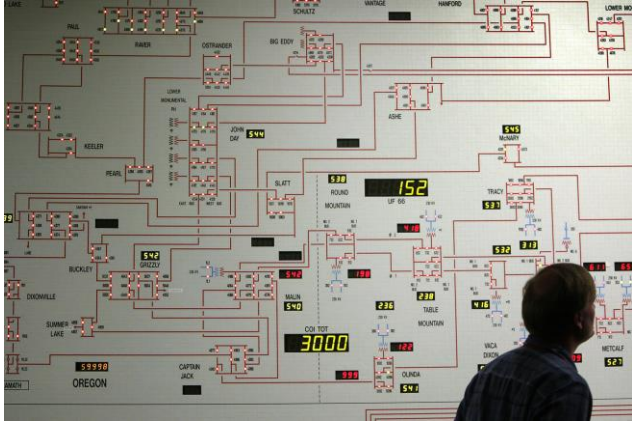
At this stage system need to simplify this complicated circuit and display system status

- 1- annunciator panel
- 2- marshalling panel
- 3- event record panel



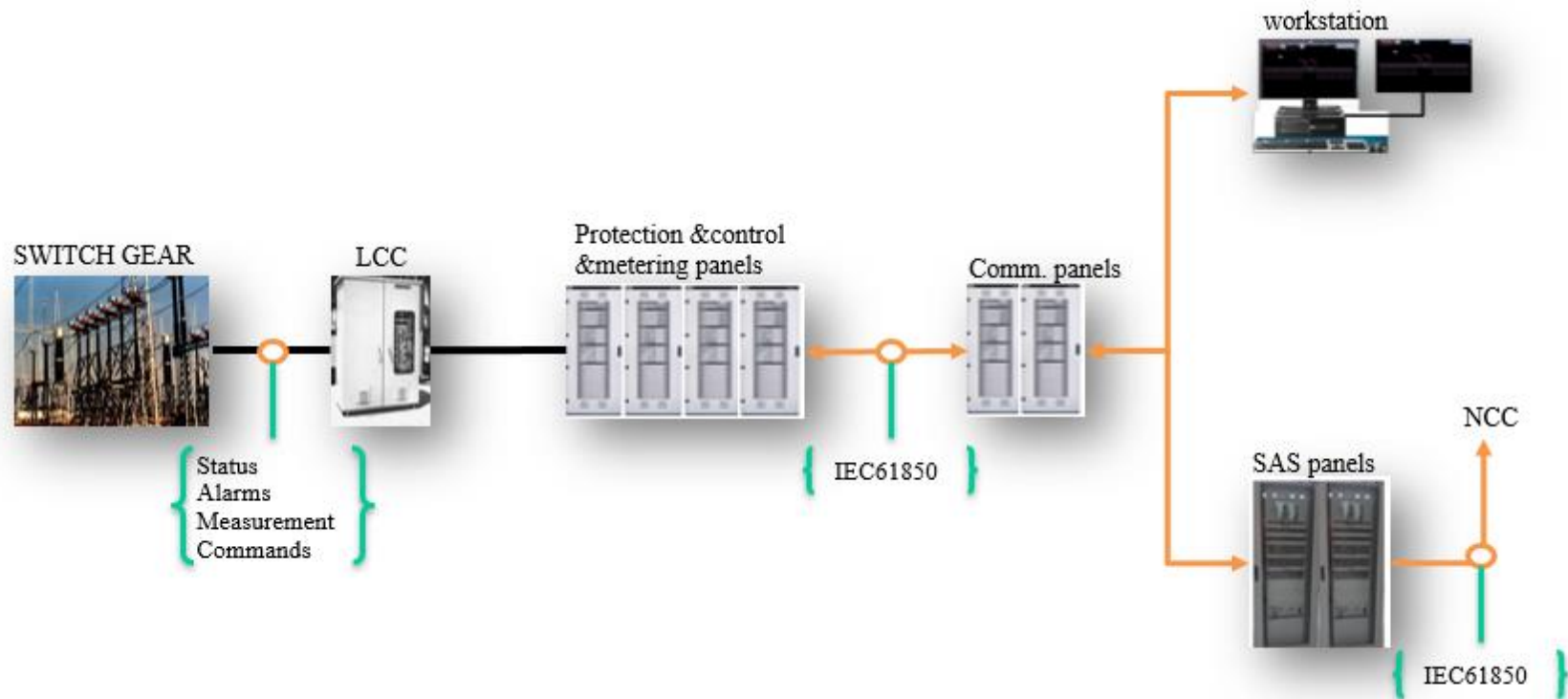


Finally the signal convert to tele. Communication and leave system to NCC



Substation Automation System (SAS)

- How signal generated and transmit through system



SWITCH GEAR



LCC



Protection & control
& metering panels



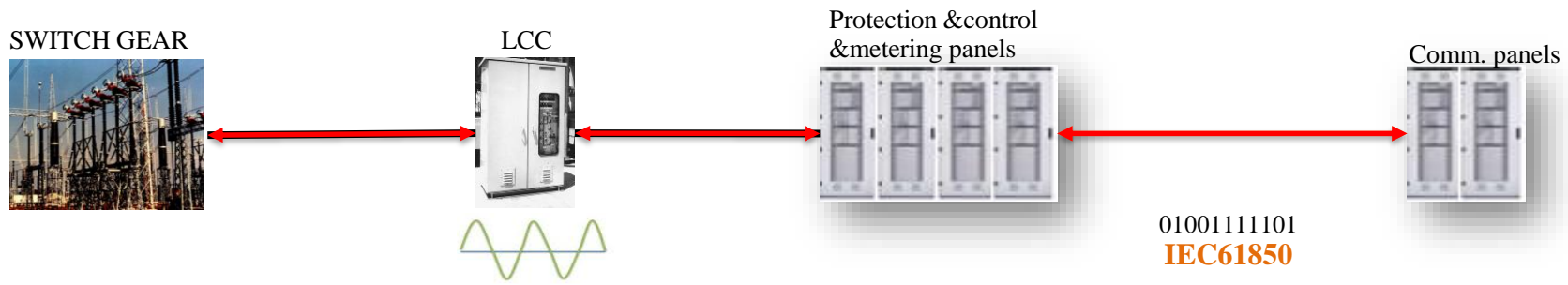
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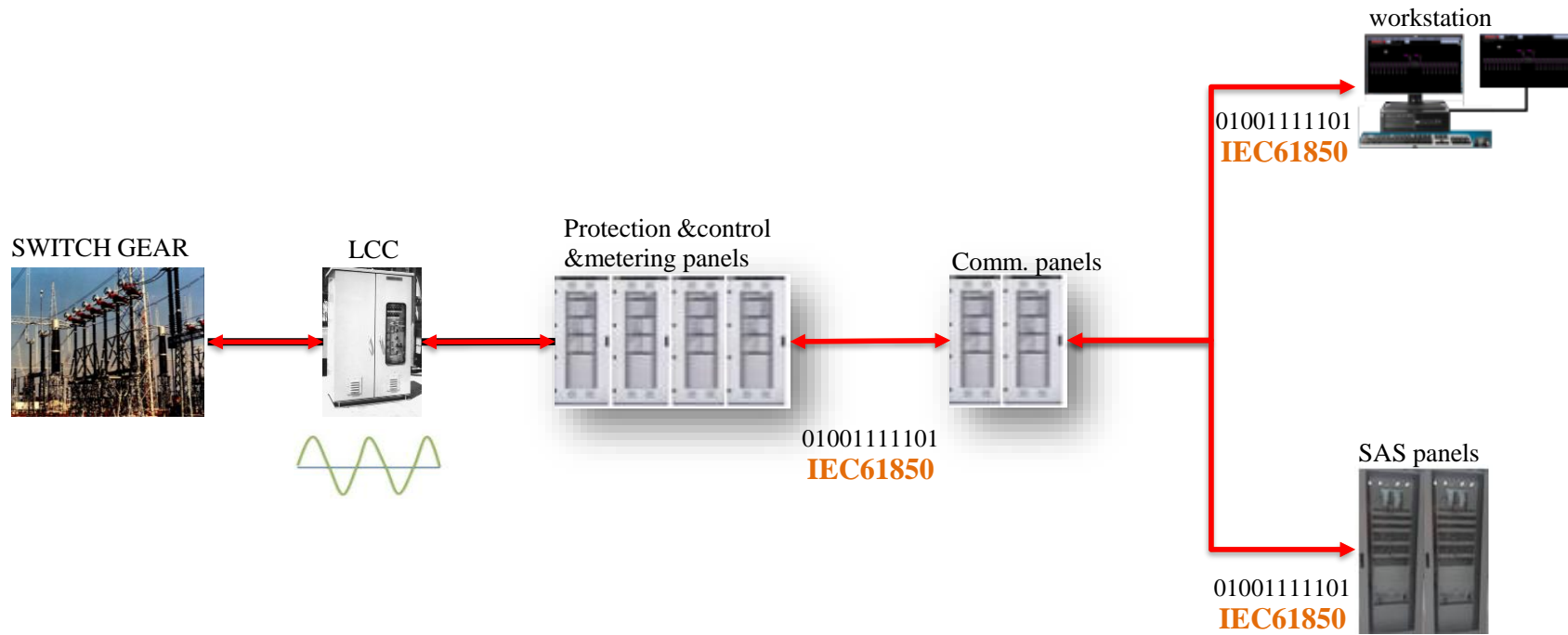




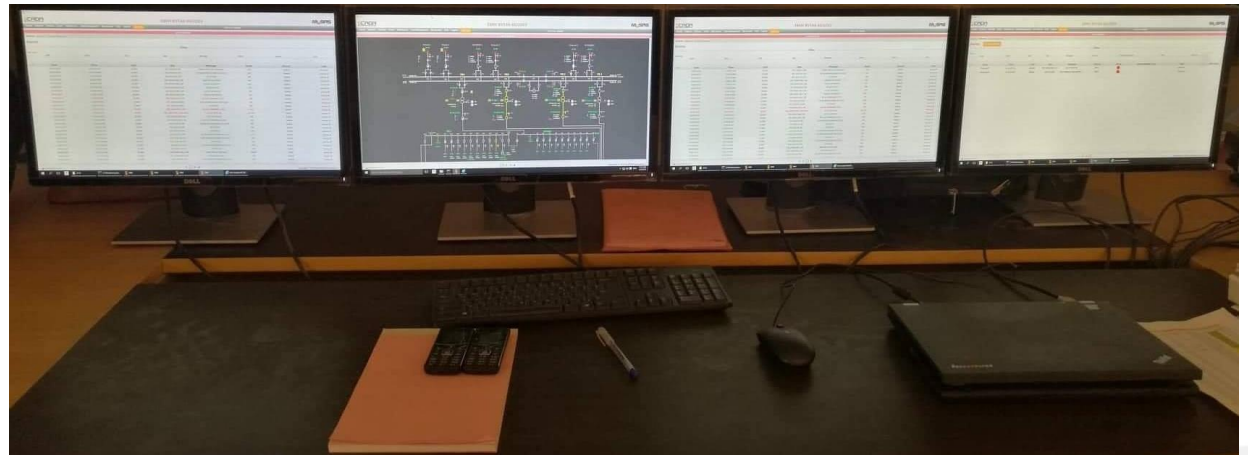
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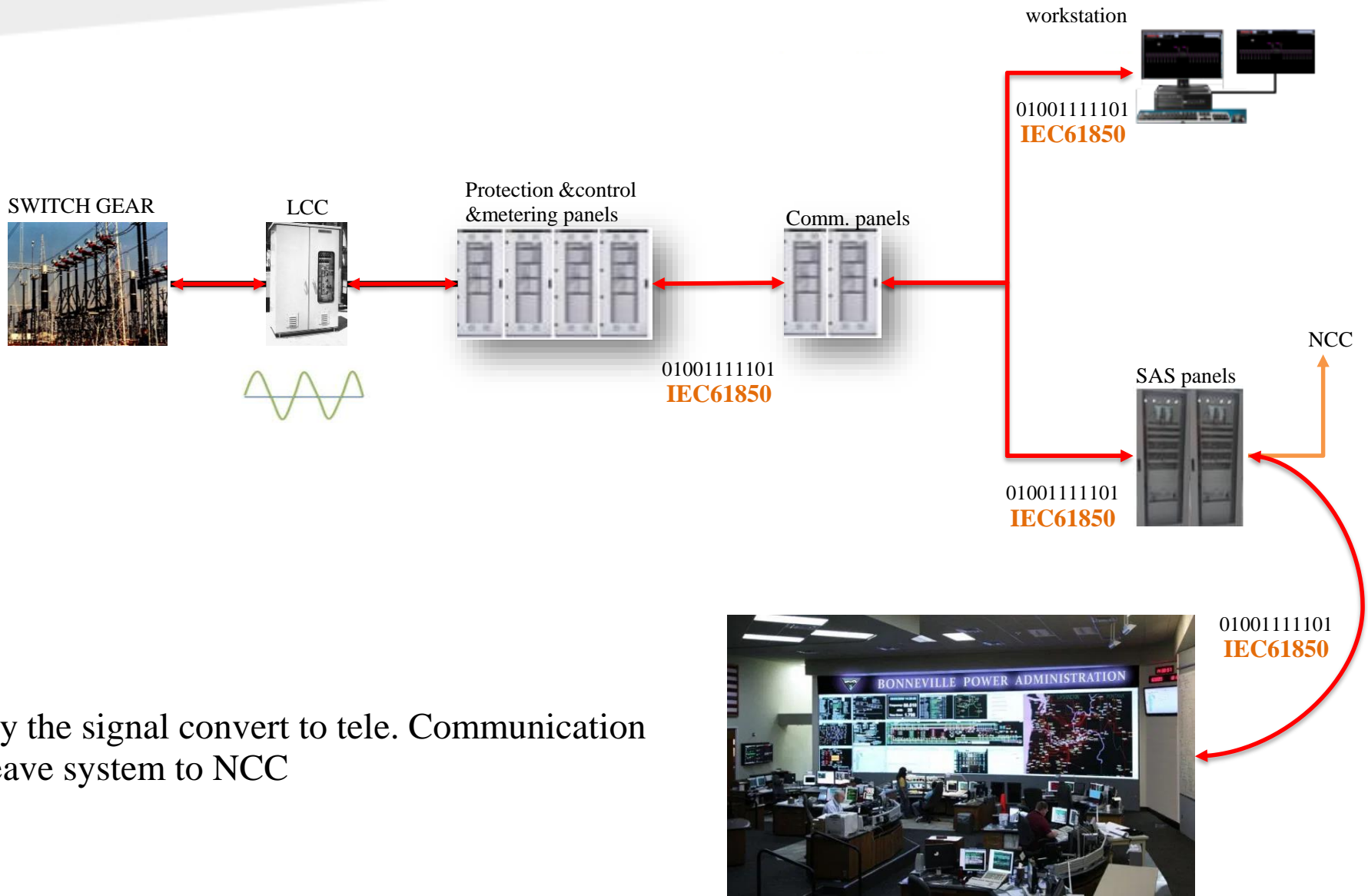
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At this stage system need to display all status that transmit by station bus





Finally the signal convert to tele. Communication and leave system to NCC

Substation automation **system**

Substation automation is the integration of existing substation devices and a network infrastructure. By **integrating primary devices with networked secondary devices**, the substation can **perform automatic** industrial **tasks** such as **data acquisition, device control**, and **event recording**.

SAS enable utilities to **manage** the flow of electricity in transmission and distribution grids. SAS systems are **important tools** for the utilities since they protect and control substations and **ensure grid stability**.

How does a **traditional substation**
become a **digital substation**?

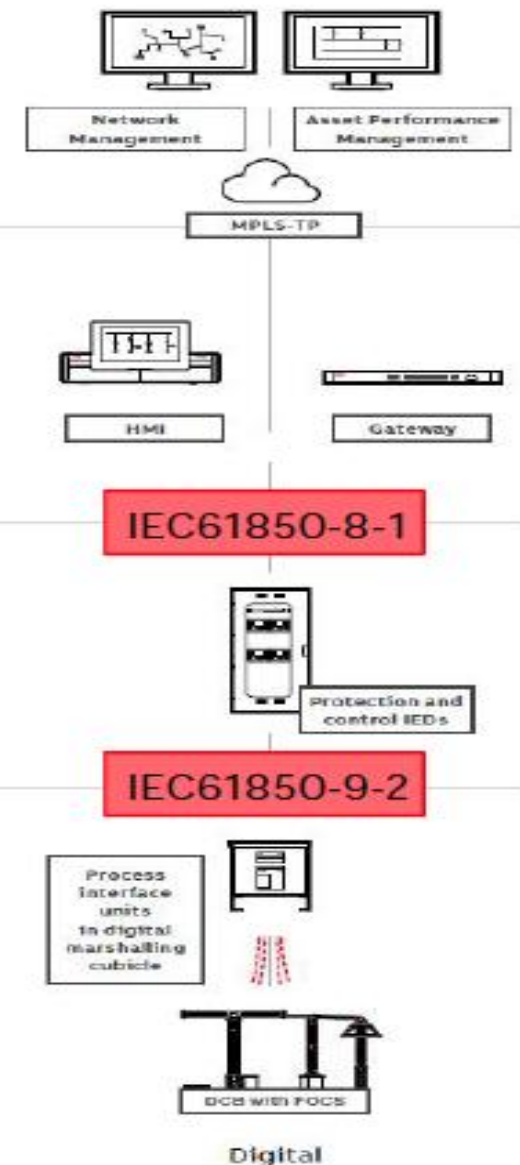
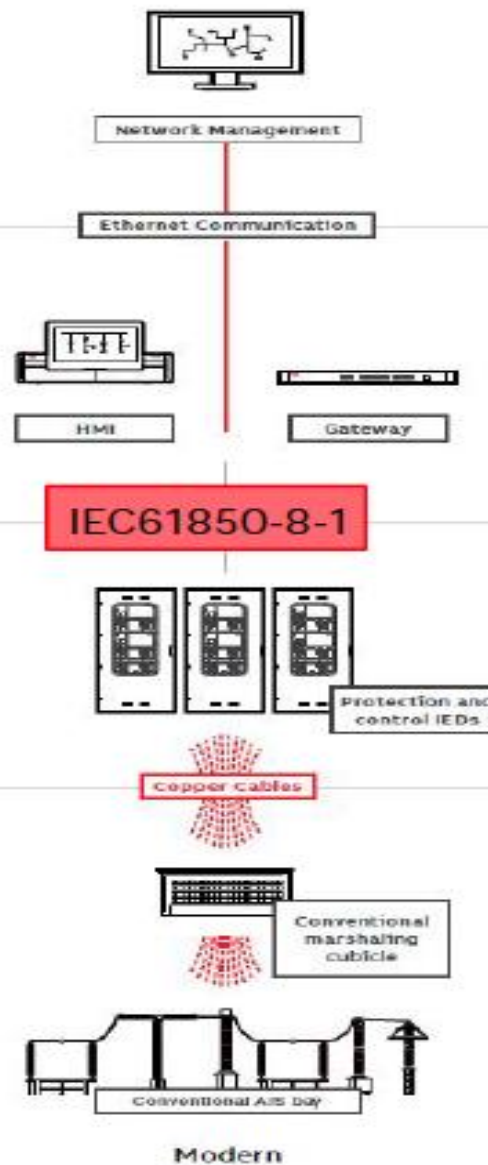
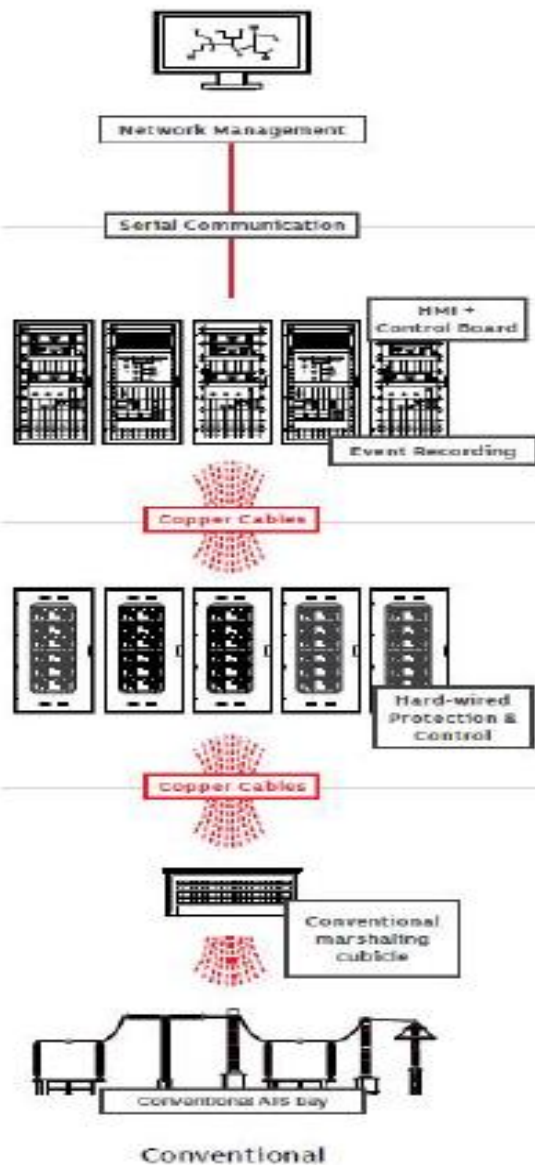
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when can you call a substation **'digital'**?

What is Digitalization ?

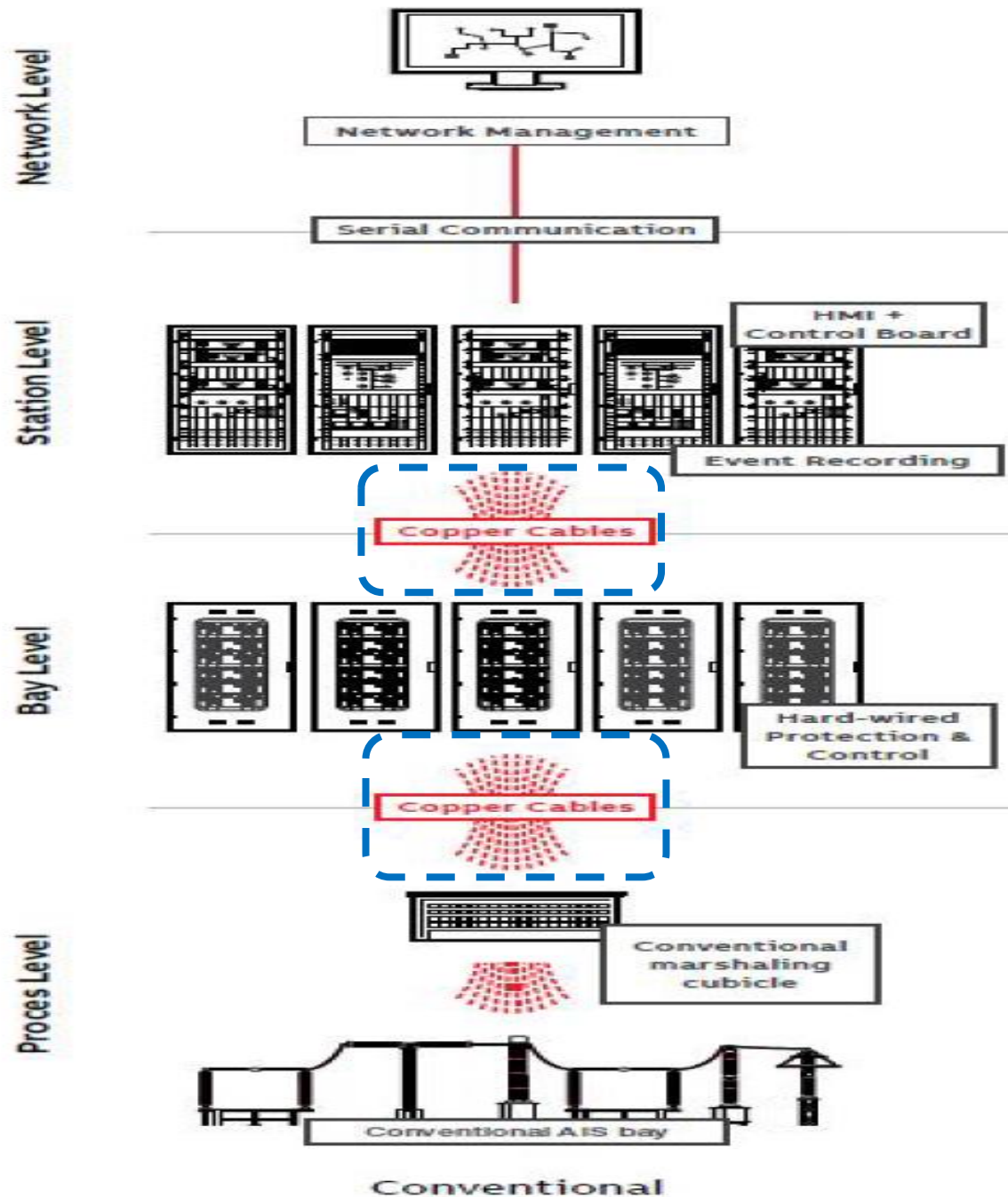
- Digitization is the conversion of analog information in any form (text, photos, voice, etc.) to digital form so that the information can be processed, stored, and transmitted digitally

The Evolution of Substation Automation

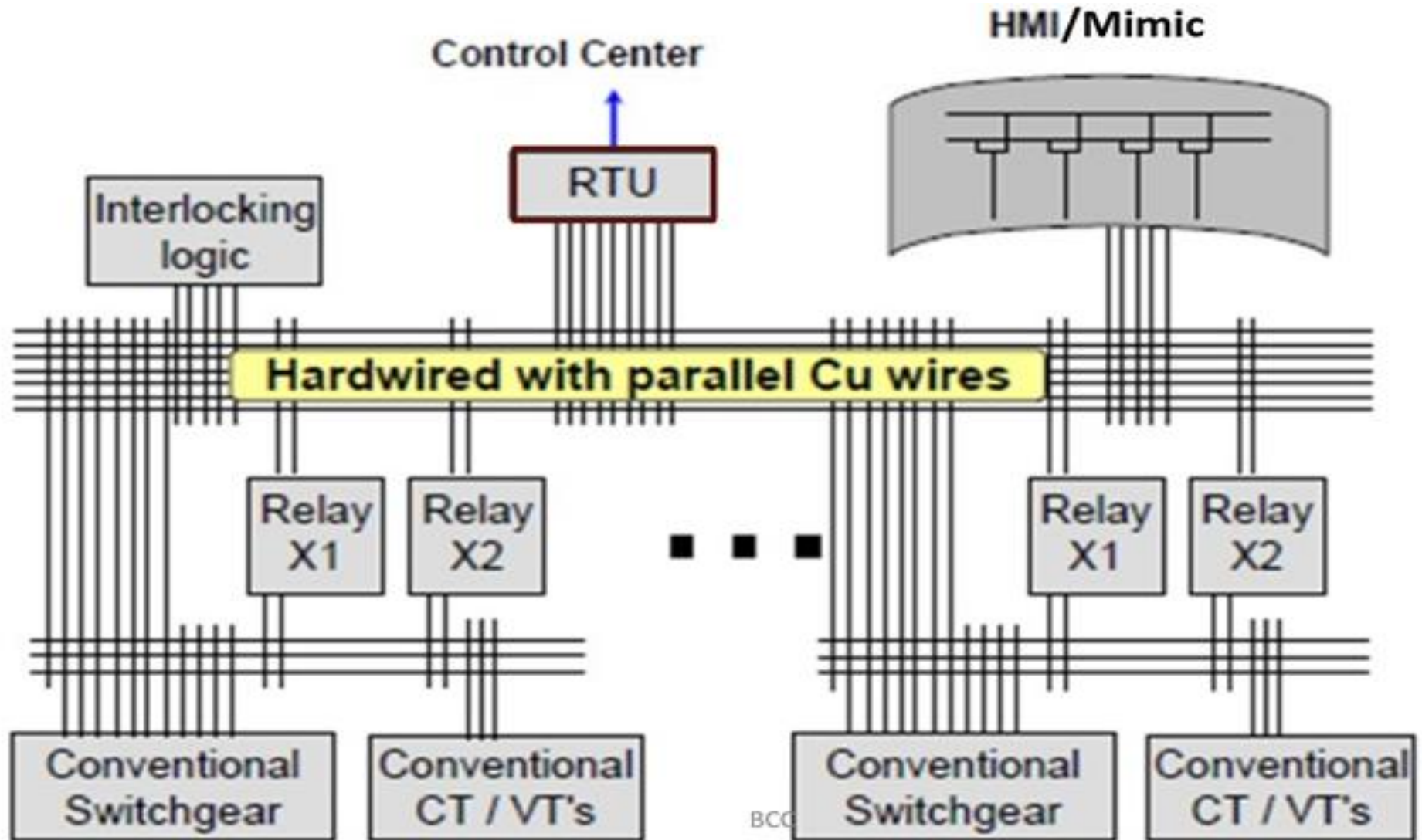


CONVENTIONAL SUBSTATION

Traditional substations have always relied on copper cables connecting together primary equipment like circuit breakers, conventional current and voltage transformers and protection relays.

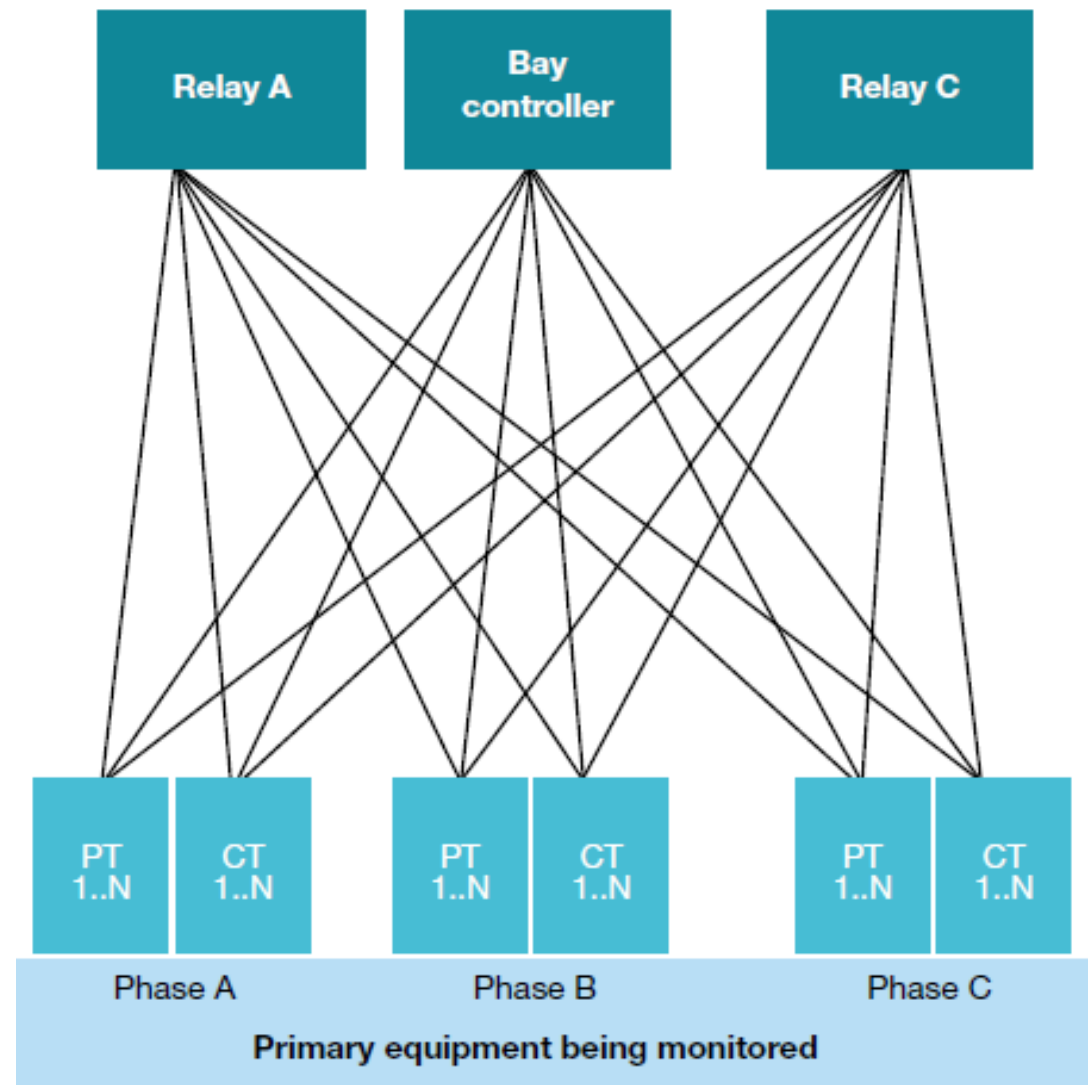


Conventional Substation



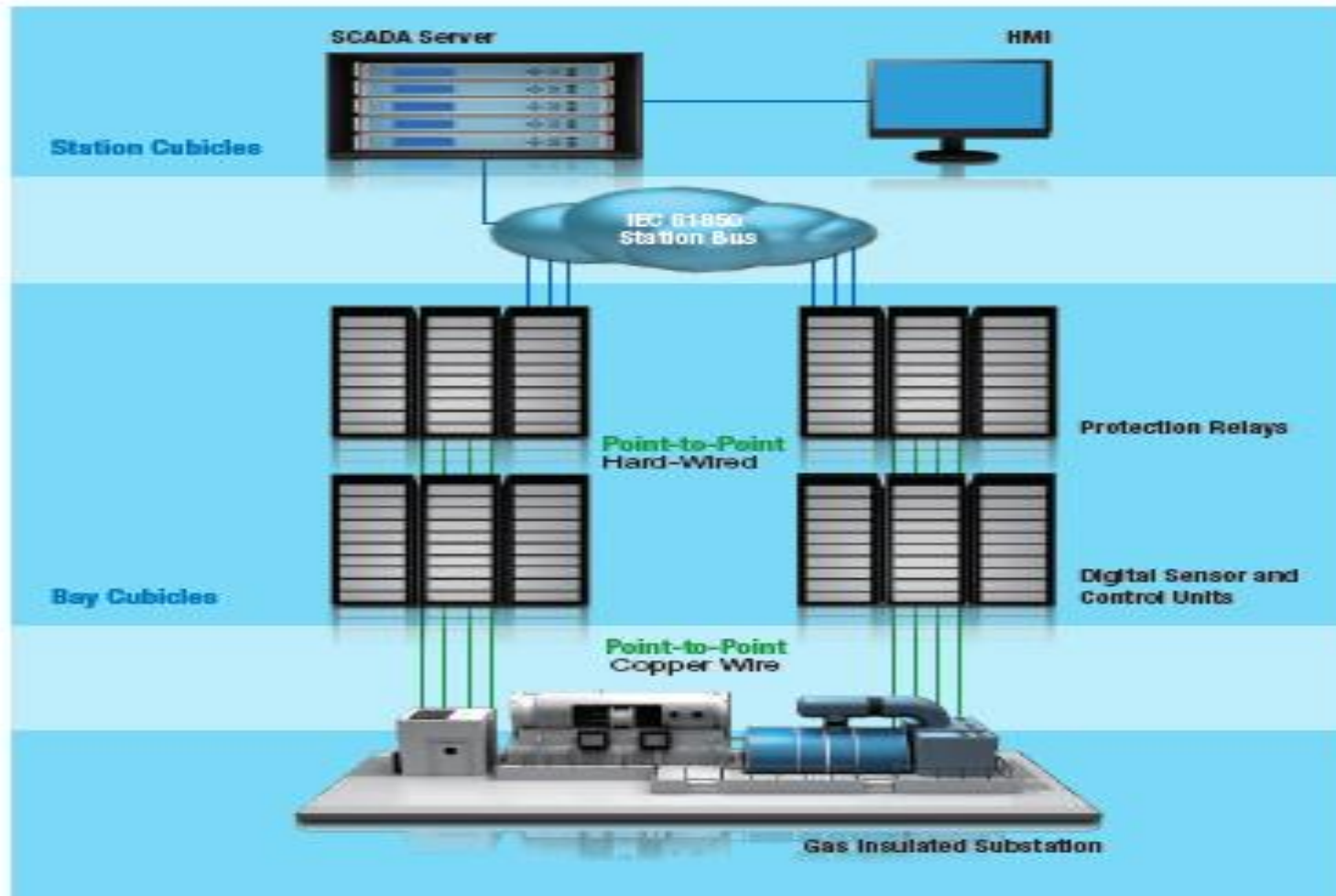
Measuring electrical parameters in a conventional substation

Conventional instrument transformers like potential transformers (PTs) and current transformers (CTs) measure the high voltages and currents passing through primary equipment. Copper wires connect the analog output from the transformers to secondary equipment, and the number of copper wires increases depending on the application.

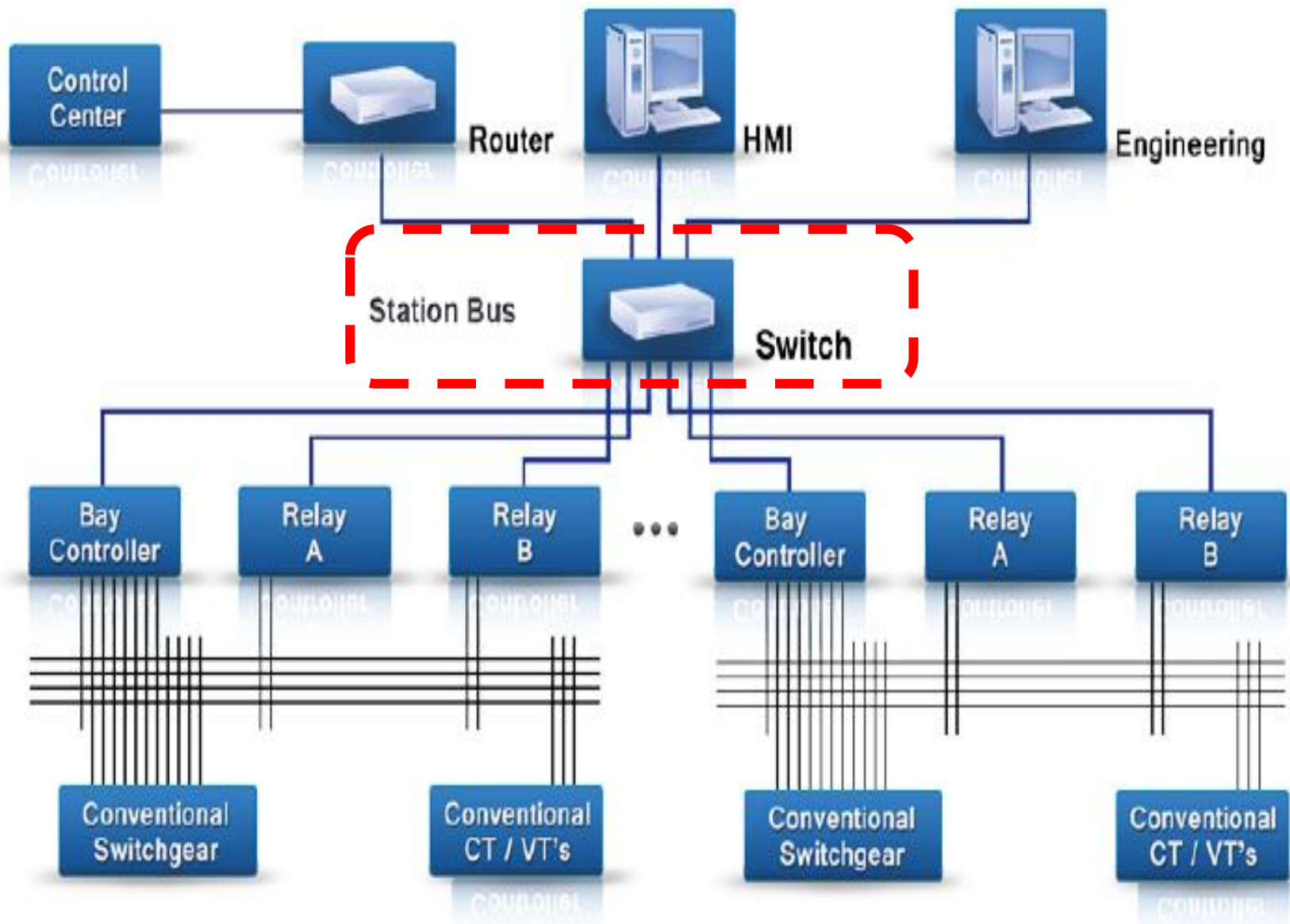


Digital Substation 1.0

▶ Substation Automation with IEC 61850 Station Bus

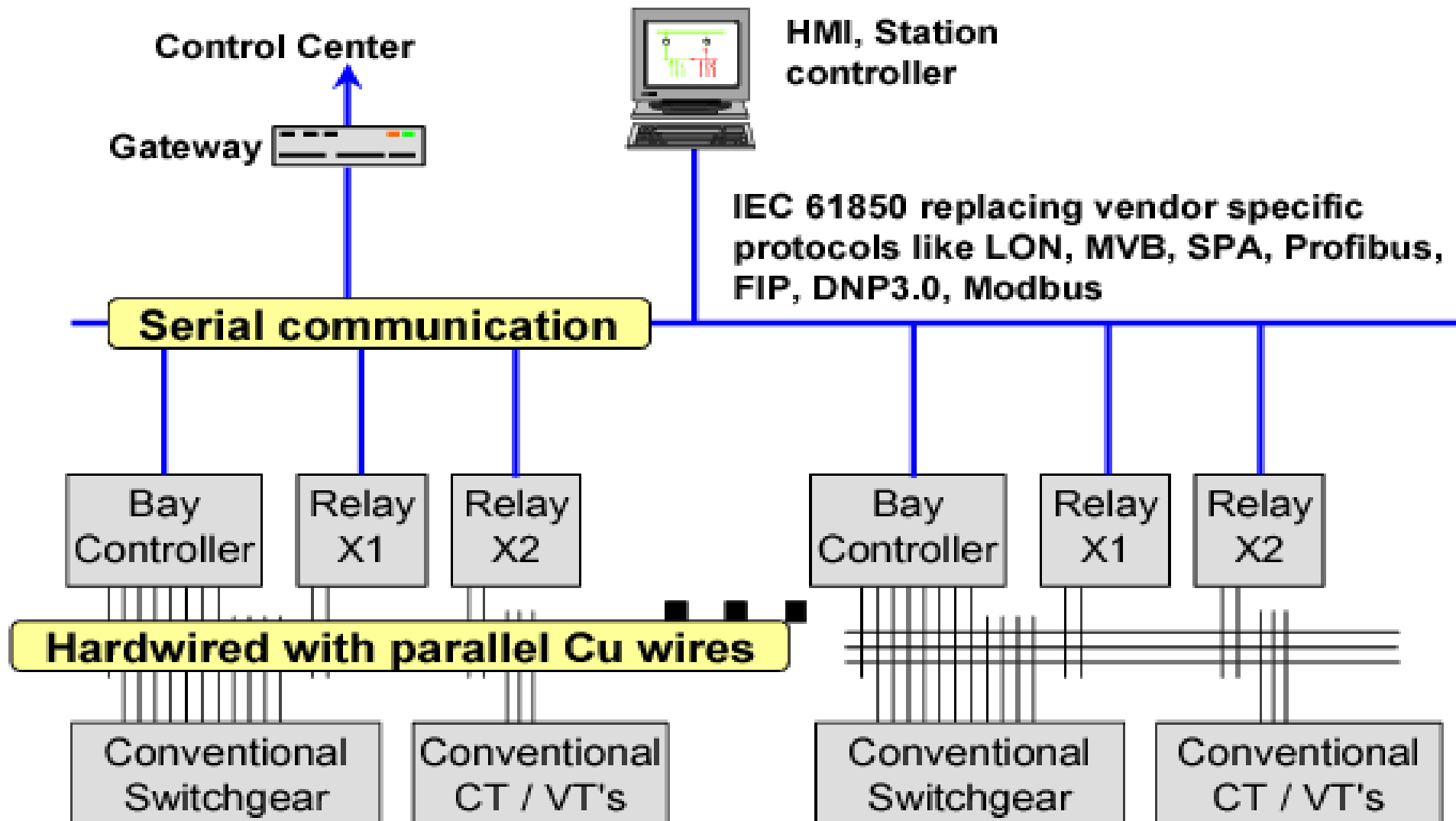


The release of the IEC 61850 Station Bus protocol in the 1980's was a big first step forward on the way to implementing a substation-wide all-purpose network.



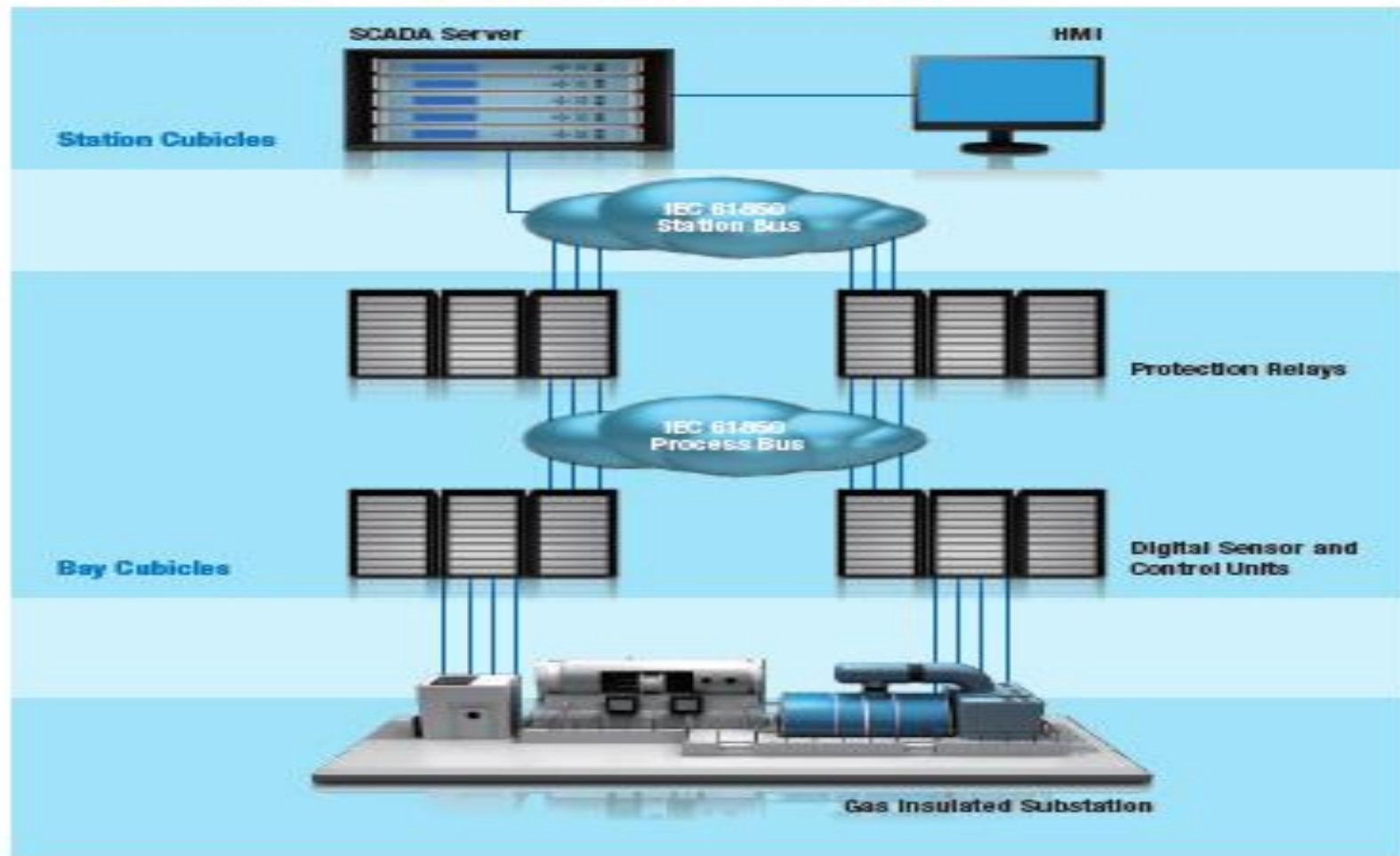
Traditional System Architecture

Substation Automation System

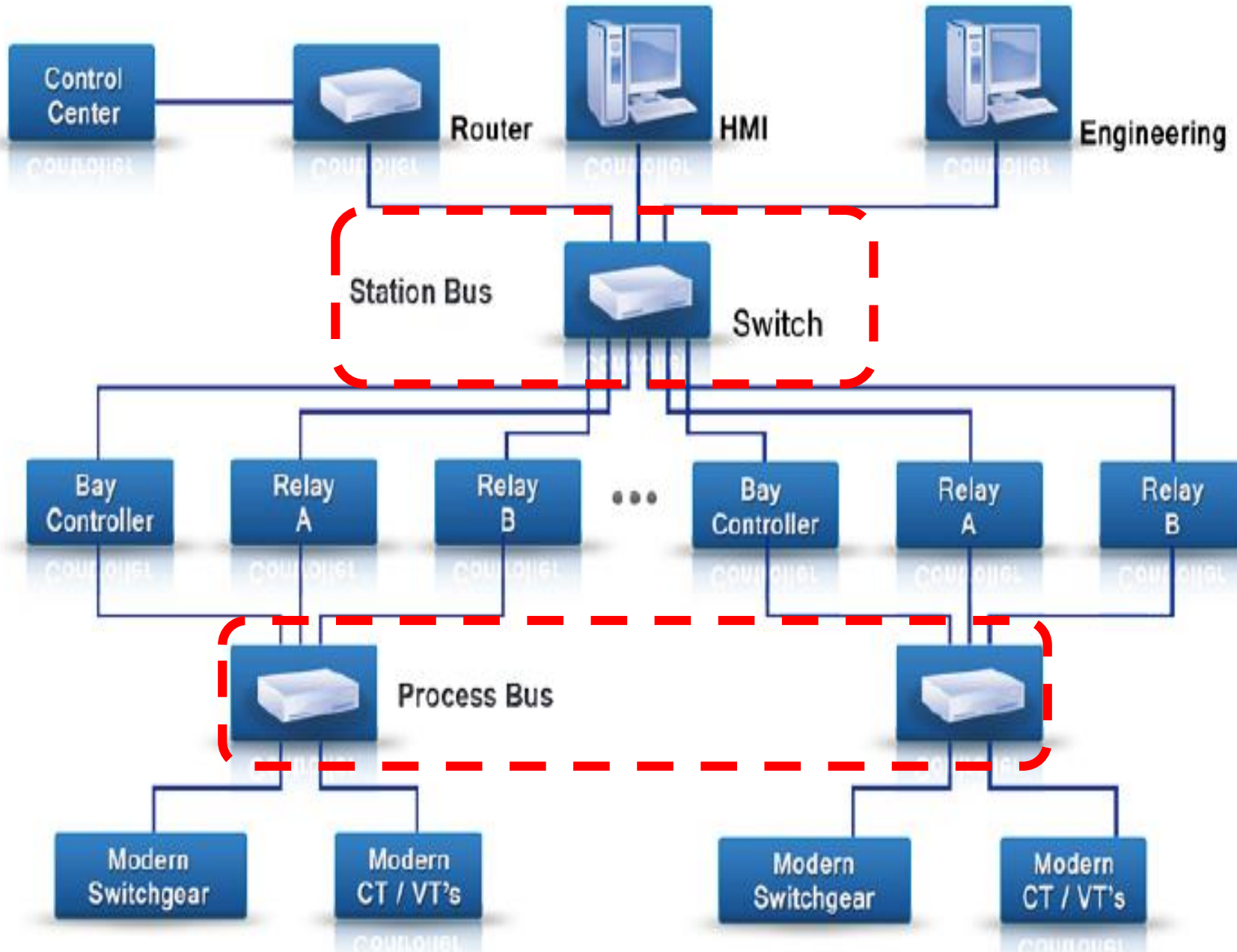


Digital Substation 2.0

▶ Substation Automation with IEC 61850 Station and Process Bus

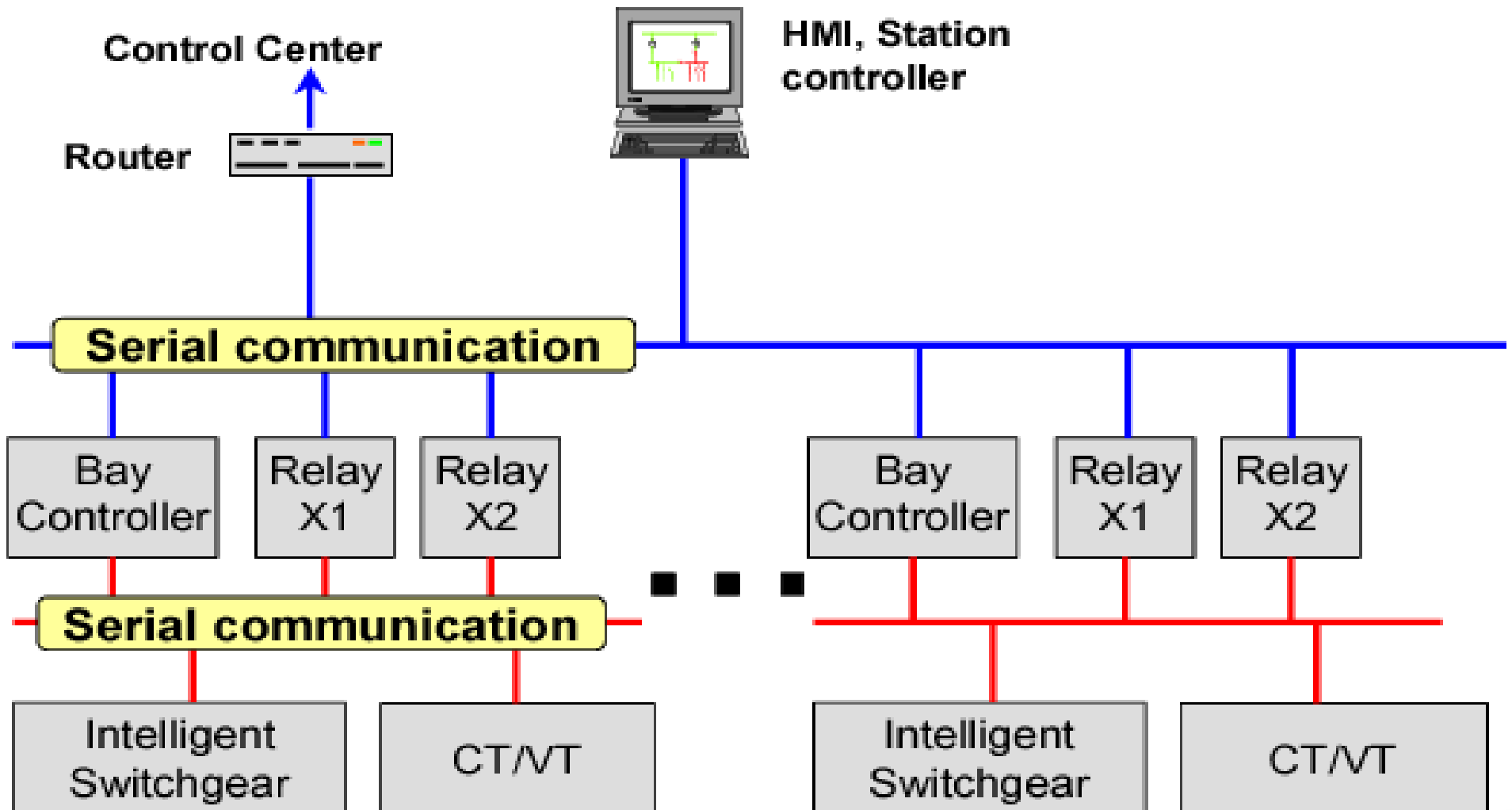


In 2005, the IEC 61850 standard was greatly improved by defining a Process Bus to connect the Process Level with the Bay Level.



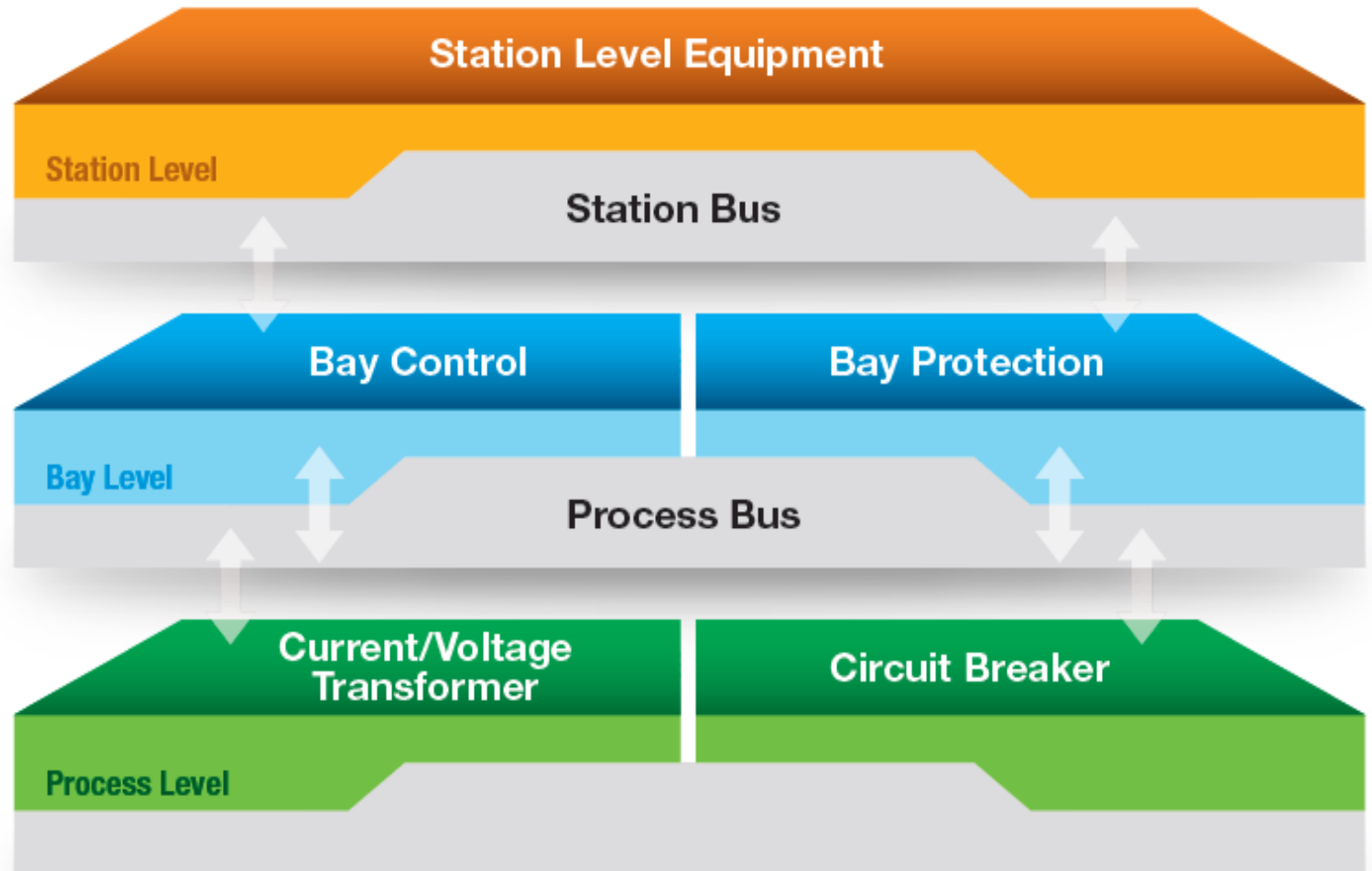
System Architecture Using IEC 61850-9-2

Digital Substation



The Architecture of Digital Substation acc. to IEC 61850

- Process Level
- Process Bus
- Bay Level
- Station Bus
- Station Level



IEC61850

IEC 61850 is a **flexible, open standard** that **defines the communication** between devices in substation automation systems. To **enable seamless data** communications and **information exchange** between the overall networks.

IEC 61850 is the **most recent standard** for communication networks and systems in substations.

Benefits of IEC61850

IEC 61850 Substation **Overview**

The advantages of implementing the **IEC 61850 standard**:

- **Simplified Architecture**
- **Greater Reliability**
- **Future-Proof Design**
- **Vendor-Independence**

Key Benefits of IEC 61850

- **Increases flexibility**

by connecting protection, control, measurement and monitoring devices to common Ethernet network within substation

- **Reduces copper wiring**

Through GOOSE messaging that enables fast and reliable applications like interlocking, distributed bay tripping, breaker failure, etc.

- **Reduces total installation cost**

By enabling Process Bus with electronic CT/VTs and intelligent switchgear and by replacing conventional copper wiring by Ethernet digital communications

- **Eases system engineering and integration process**

Through graphical configuration tools based on SCL language – XML common file format designed for exchange of configuration information

Key Benefits of IEC 61850

Improves application performance and security

Through fast Ethernet communications and redundancy (IEC 61850 Edition II)

Minimizes costs of technological obsolescence

Due to standardized naming conventions

Provides easy way of implementing typical applications

Because of object-oriented structure and high-level services that enable self-description of devices and automatic data discovery.

Saves time and money in setup & commissioning

Because of a global acceptance and adoption and future-proof concept of abstract services as well as independence of mapping to protocols

COMPARISON

Conventional Substation

**Substation Automation System
(SAS)**

Operational Cost **Reduction**

Up to **60% Less space** in the Relay houses

40% Shorter Installation Phase

Up to **80% Cupper Wire Reduction**

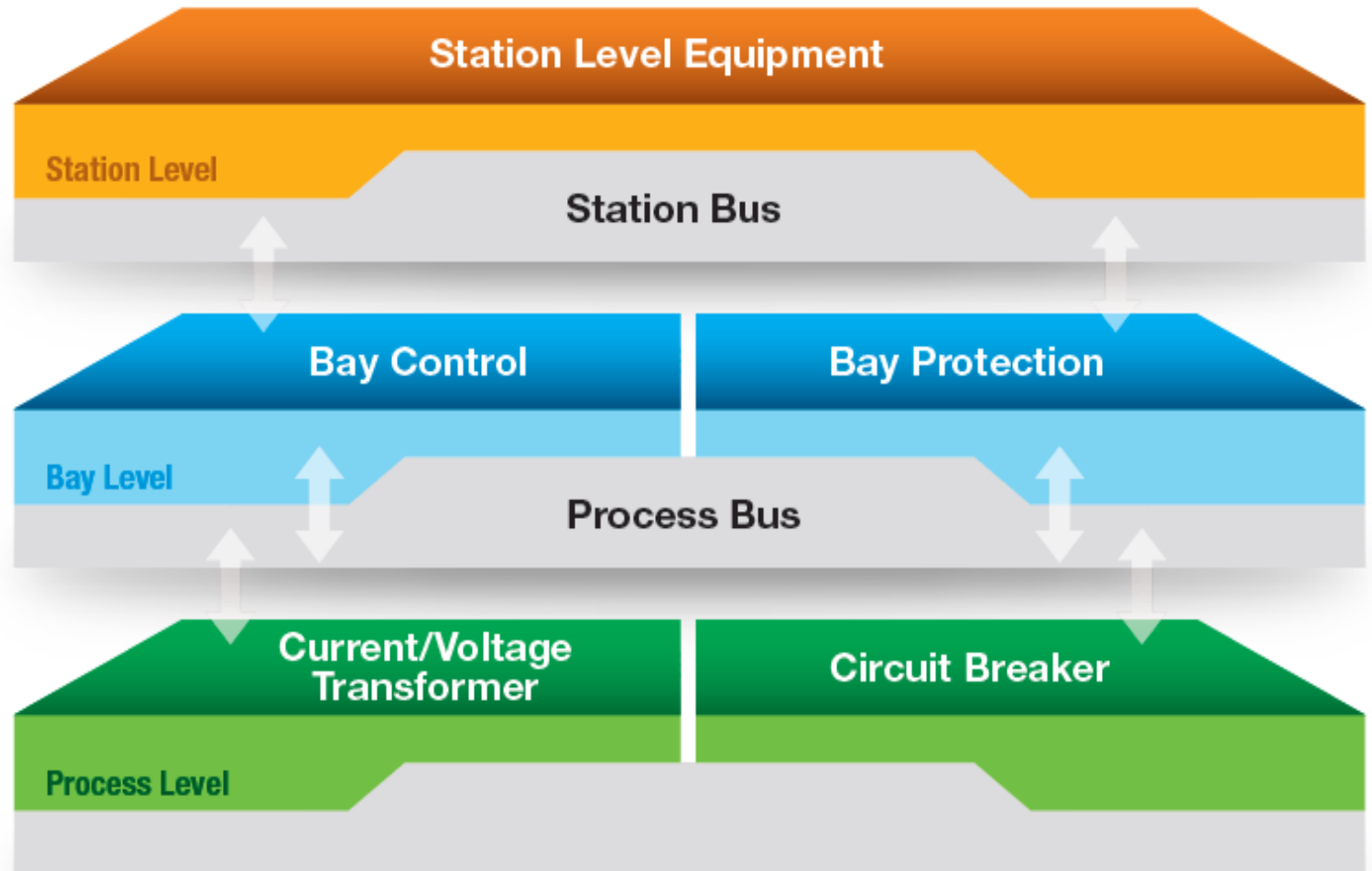
Digital Substation

As most substations today are switching and routing AC power at high/extra high voltage, **it is not the primary flow which is digital.** A digital substation refers to **its secondary systems**, including all the protection, control, measurement, condition monitoring, recording and supervisory systems associated with that primary “process”.

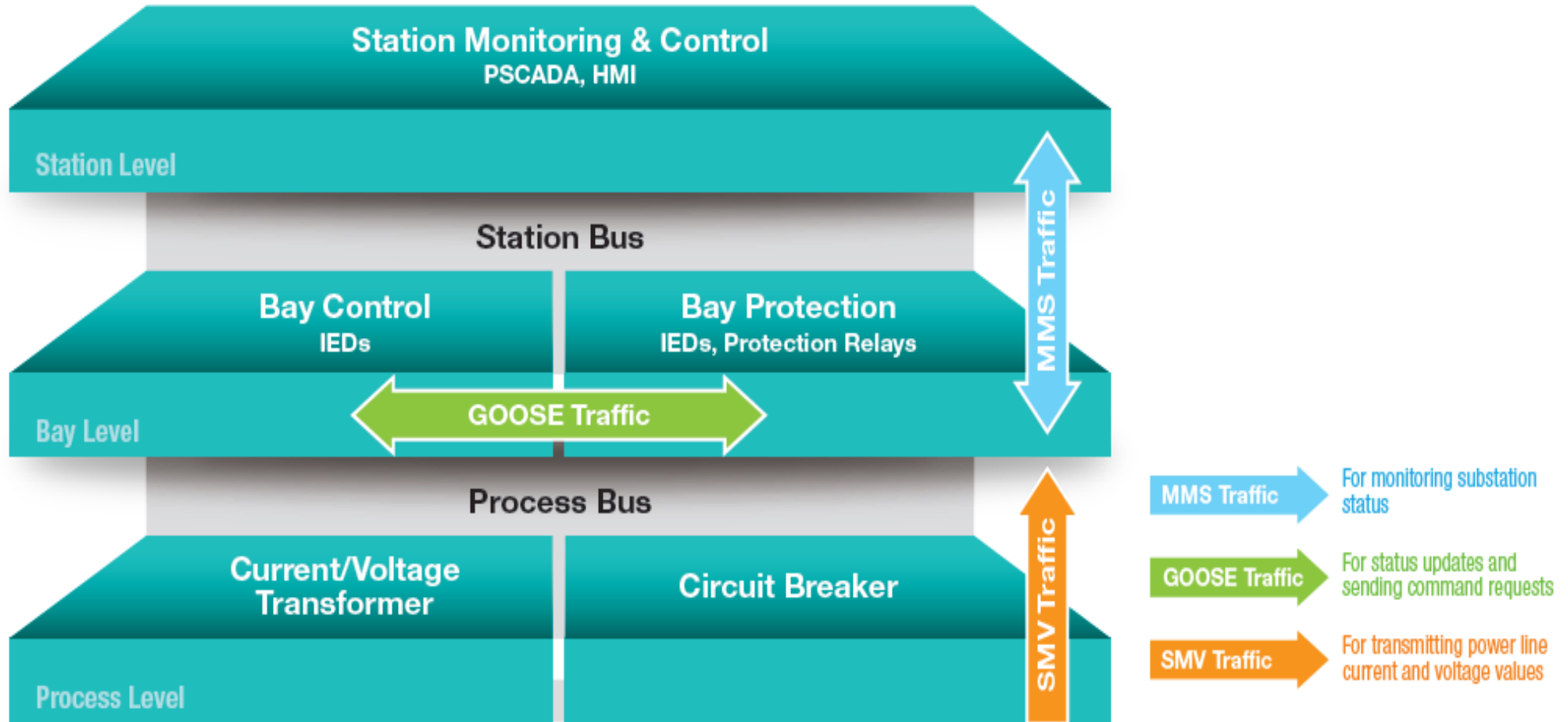
In general terms, in full digital substation **the data related to the primary process is digitized immediately, at the point where it is measured.**

The Architecture of Digital Substation acc. to IEC 61850

- Process Level
- Process Bus
- Bay Level
- Station Bus
- Station Level



IEC61850 Substation Communication Architecture



Process Bus

The defining feature of a Digital Substation is the implementation of a process bus.

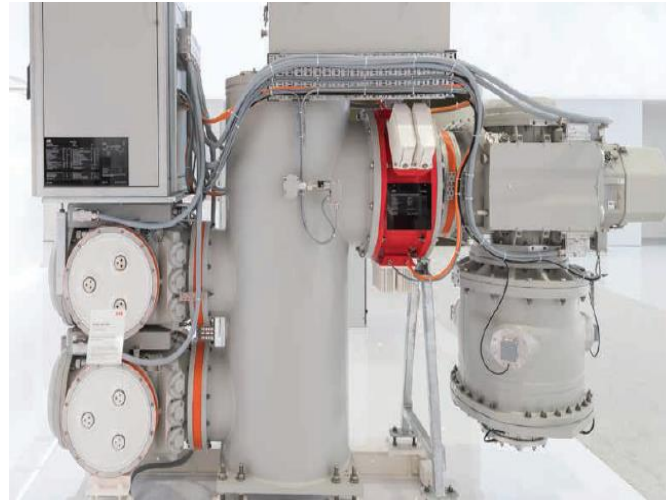
The IEC 61850 process bus enables the substitution of point-to-point copper connections between IEDs, other devices and switchgear by means of a safe, standardized optical communication bus.

Thanks to the process bus, real-time measurement signals and status information can be broadcast throughout a substation without complex wiring schemes.

Process level **equipment**



Breaker IED

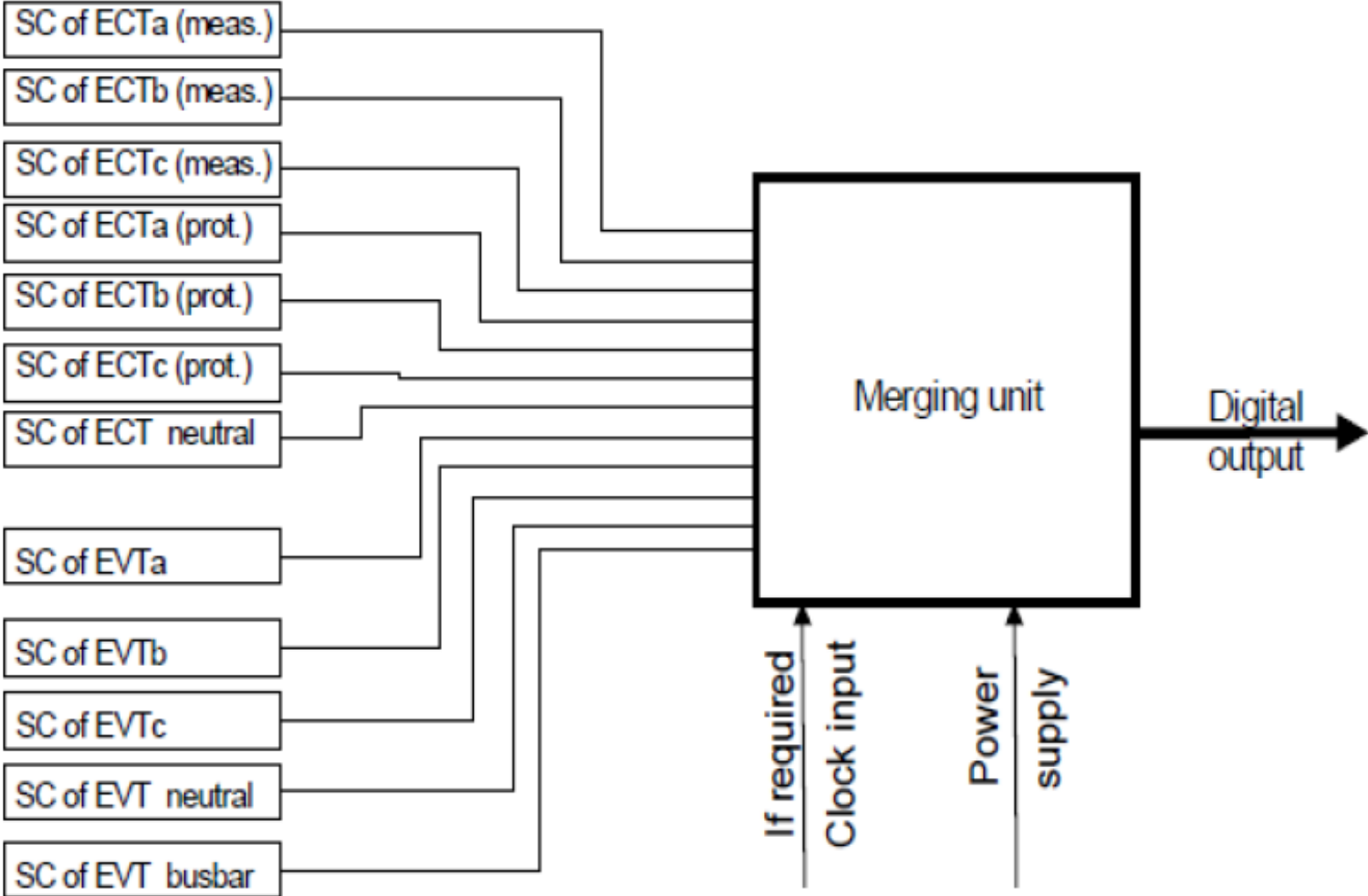


Non conventional IT

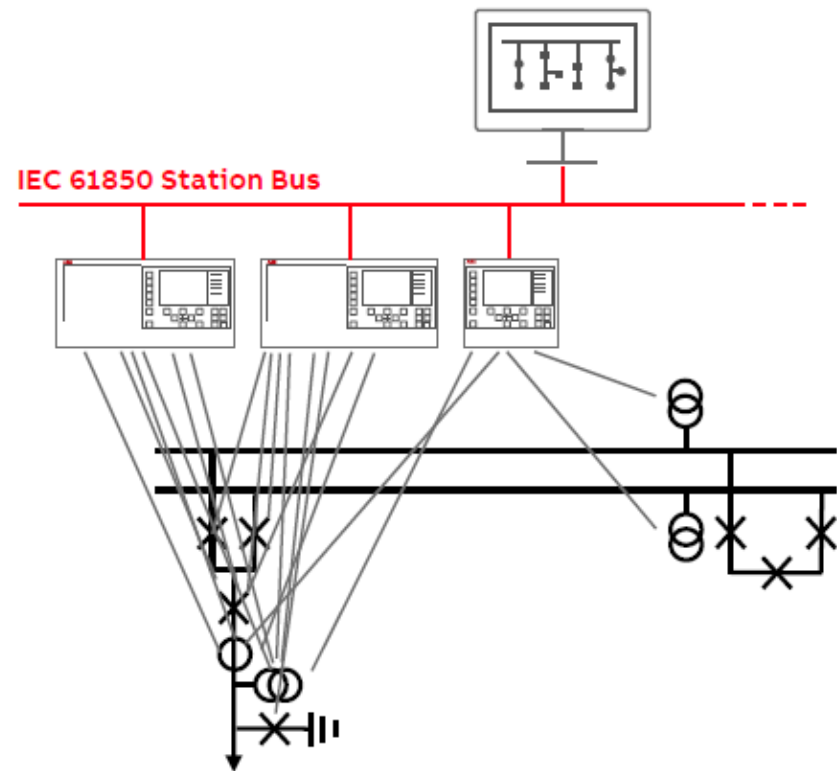
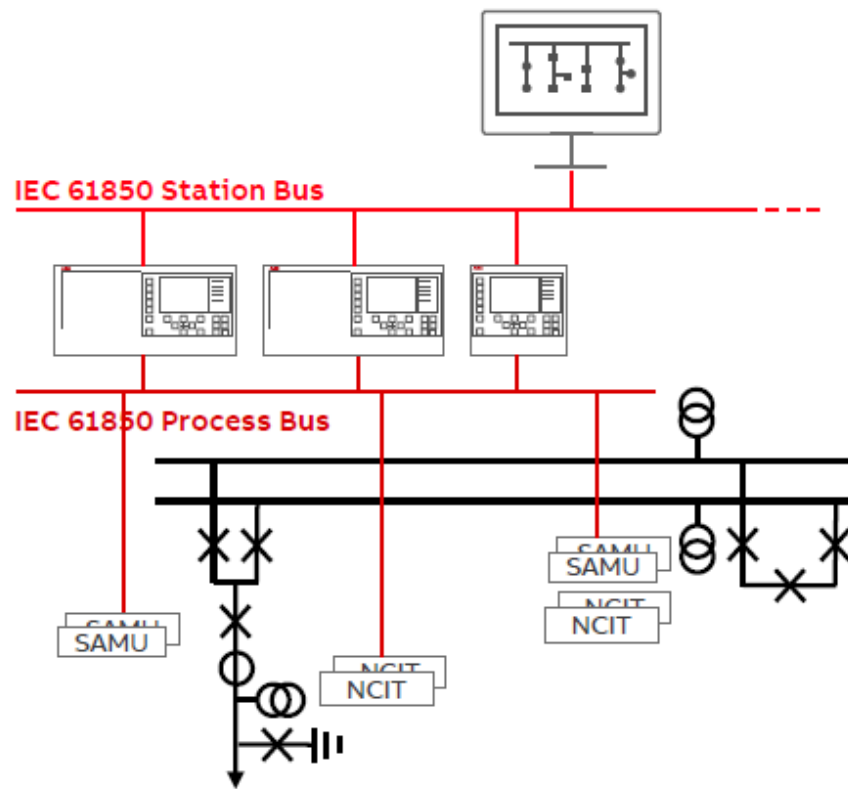


Merging unit

Merging units overview



Reduces copper cabling



- NCIT Non-conventional instrument transformers
- SAMU Stand-alone merging units

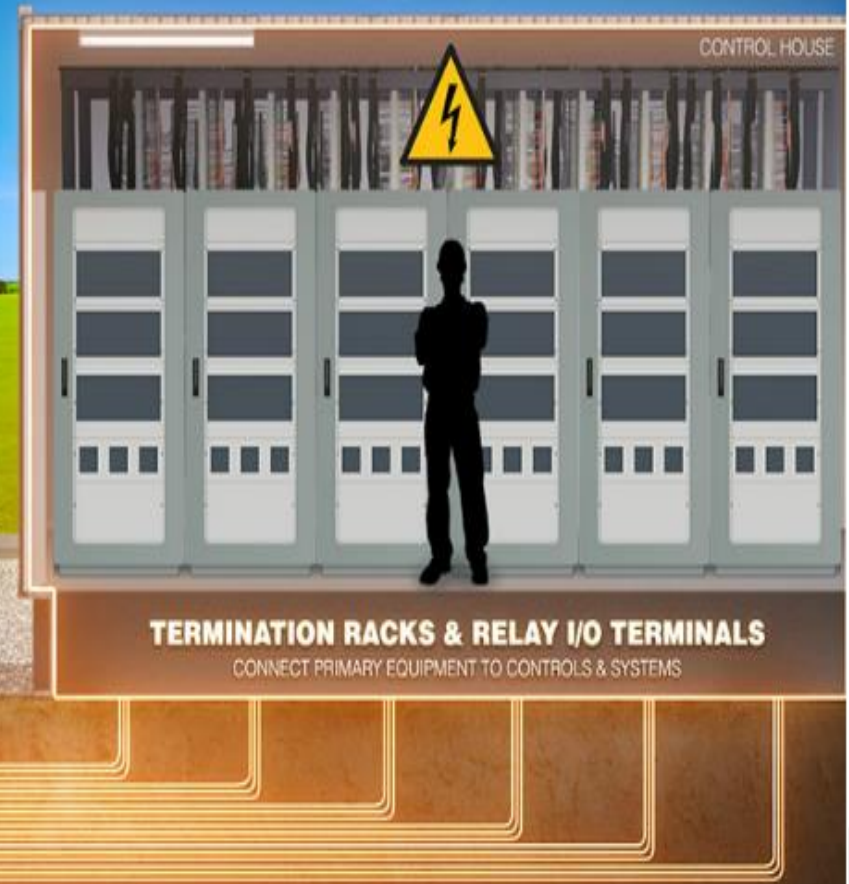
Increased safety

SITE SAFETY CHALLENGES

HIGH VOLTAGE HAZARDS

COPPER-BASED MEASUREMENT & CONTROL

Operators and substation personnel are left exposed to high voltage safety hazards from conditions such as inadvertent open CT secondary circuits.



Increased **safety** Reduced risk of **electrical shock**

The diagram illustrates a substation with a transmission tower on the left and a central transformer. A yellow line representing high voltage signals runs from the tower to the transformer. A blue line representing digital signals runs from the transformer to a control house on the right. The control house contains three server racks and a person's silhouette. A shield icon is positioned above the racks. The background shows a green field and blue sky.

SITE SAFETY SOLUTIONS

DIGITIZED SUBSTATION

FIBER OPTIC COMMUNICATIONS

Eliminate high voltage copper lines from entering the relay room by digitizing all analog data at the source

HIGH VOLTAGE SIGNALS STAY IN THE SWITHYARD

DIGITAL SIGNALS
ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR TERMINATION RACKS

CONTROL HOUSE

IEC 61850 COMMUNICATIONS
FIBER OPTICS ENABLES A SAFE, SECURE DATA PATHWAY

Bay Level



Introduction To Bay Level

- According to IEC 61850 standards, is an intermediate control place between switchgear boards (process level) and the main control house of the substation (station level).

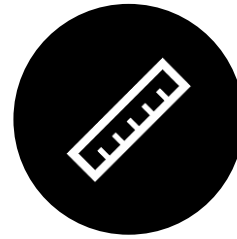
Bay Level Function



PROTECTION



CONTROL



MEASUREMENT



LOCAL
MONITORING

IEDs
Intelligent
electronic
devices



Protection
Relay



BCU

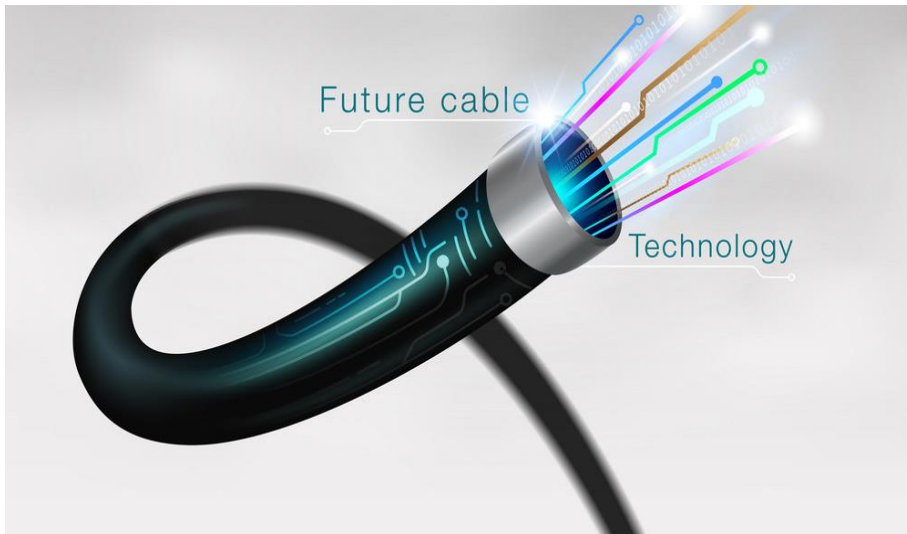


Communication
RTU
Gateway
Industrial Ethernet switch



measurement

Comparison between **fiber optic** cable and **copper wire**



Fiber optic cable

- transmit data at much higher speed
- not affected by electromagnetic interferences and power fluctuations
- very less affected by the corrosive chemicals
- Fiber cables are thin and lightweight
- average cost per meter 4 \$

Copper wire

- transmit data at less speed than fiber optic cable
- affected by electromagnetic interferences and power fluctuations
- affected by the corrosive chemicals
- Average cost per meter 0.5 \$

Conventional substation



Up to
80%
copper cable
reduction*

Digital substation



30t
less material
transports*



40%
shorter
installation
phase



Conventional substation



Up to
60%
less space
in the relay
house

Digital substation



Up to
50%
reduction of
space in the
switchyard*

Conventional substation



Operational
cost
reduction

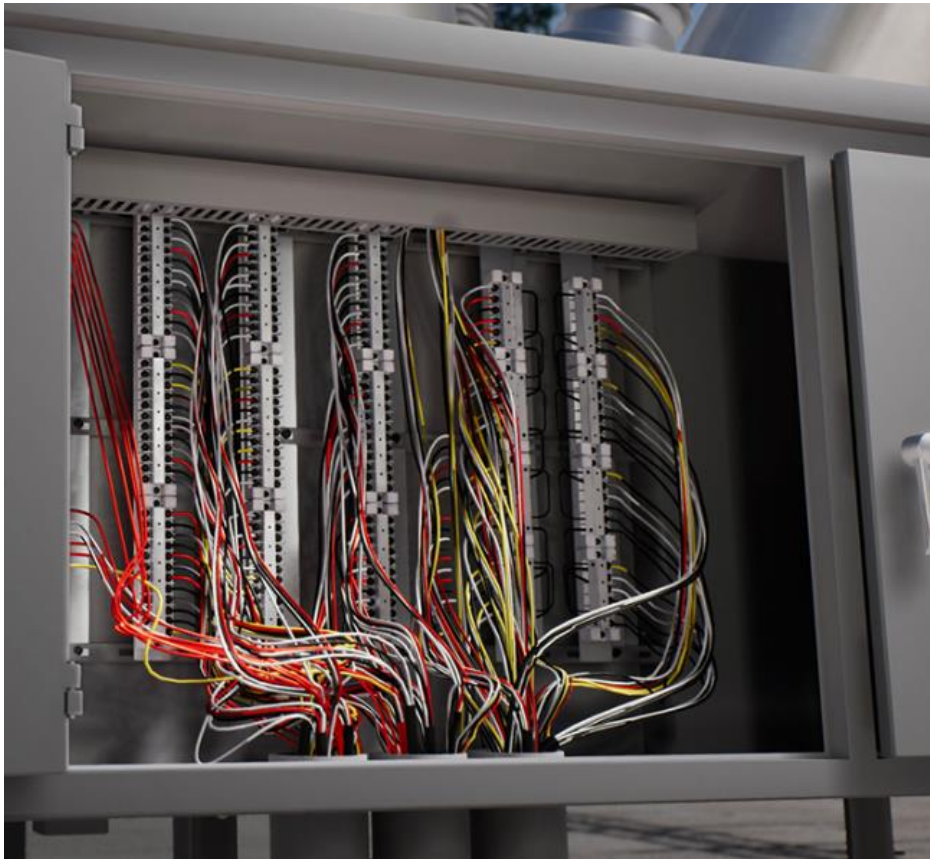
Digital substation



50%
outage time
reduction

A
E

Reduces copper cabling



MILES OF COPPER WIRE

Throughout the switchyard to house the wires required
with secondary systems, such as intelligent

Reduces copper cabling

PROTECTION & CONTROL DEVICES

THOUSANDS OF TERMINATIONS

must be made to complete the analog connection between the primary assets and the protection and control devices. Skilled labor is required to design, commission and maintain this complex group of connections.



RELAY ROOM

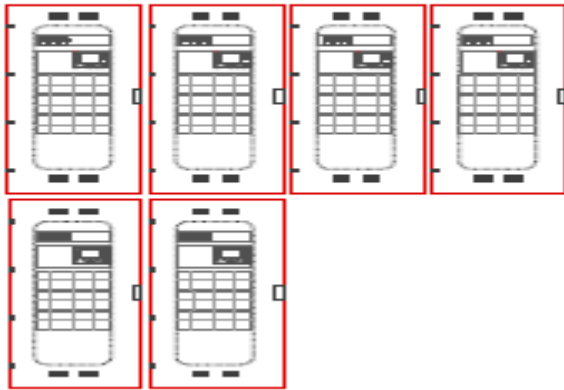
COPPER WIRES EQUAL A LARGER FOOTPRINT

Large termination racks and conventional point-to-point wiring are required to connect analog signals from switchyard assets, increasing the space requirements for typical relay rooms.

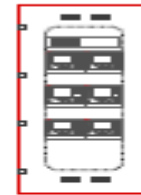


Less space

Conventional substation



Digital substation



Up to
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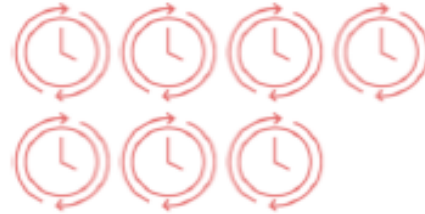
Up to
50%
reduction
space in the
switchyard

Less installation and **outage time**

40% reduction of installation time for new protection and control systems.

- Fewer panels to install
- Fewer cables to be pulled, connected, tested

Conventional substation



Digital substation



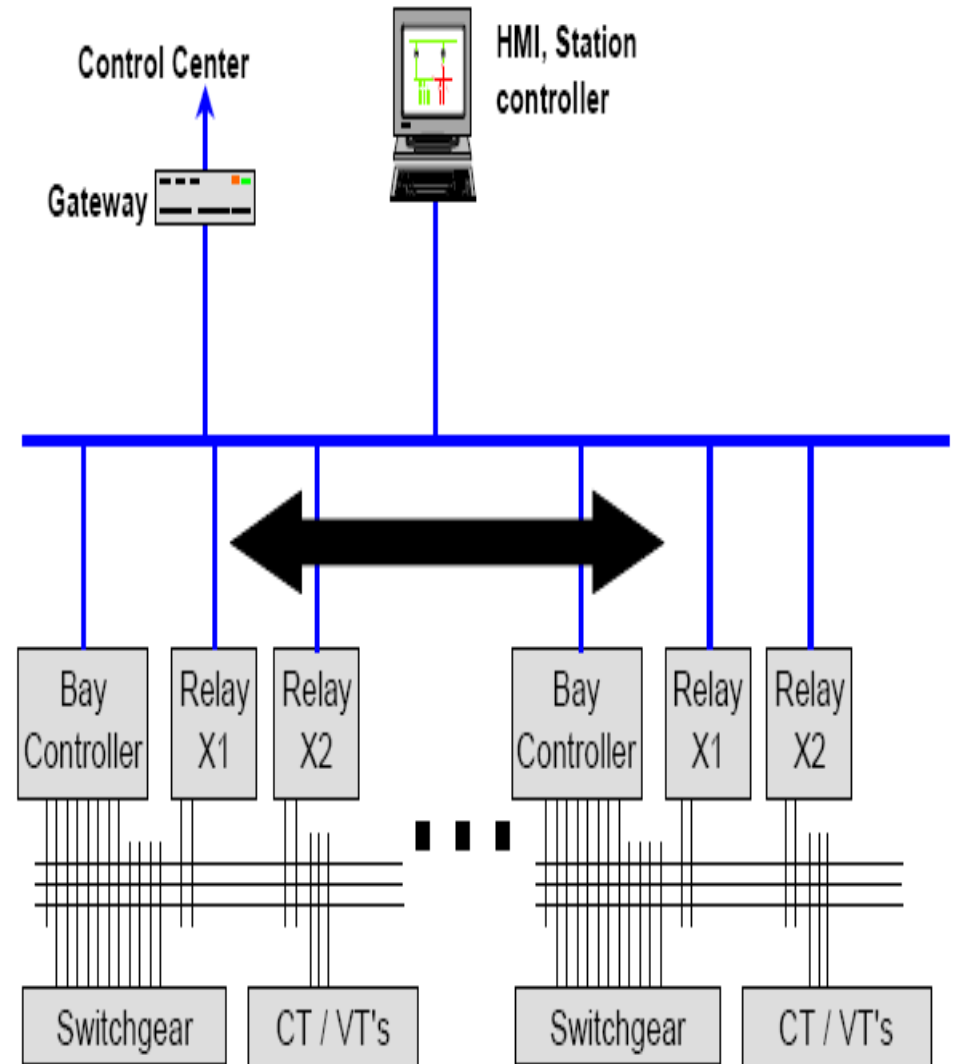
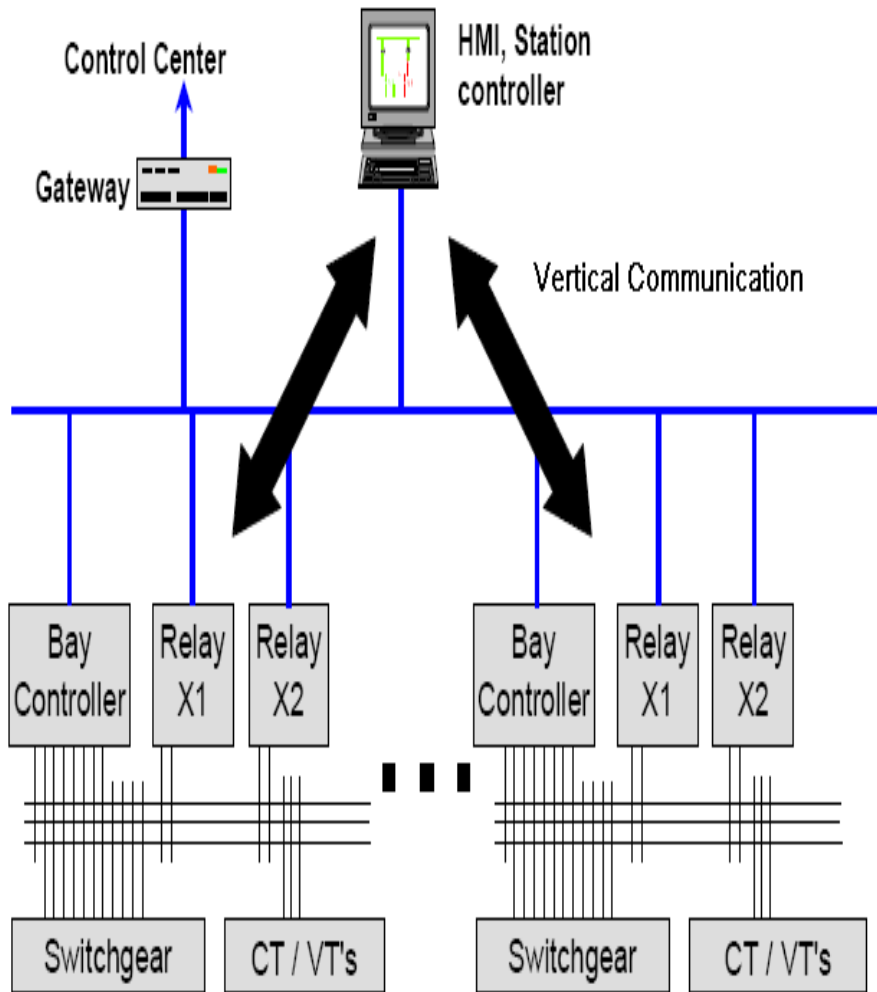
40%
shorter
installation
time of P&C
system

40%
outage time
reduction
during P&C
retrofit

Station Bus

The physical structure of this bus consists of a fiber-optical arrangement to which the various upper parts of SAS devices are coupled.

Horizontal communication Vertical communication



Station Level

Substation Automation System

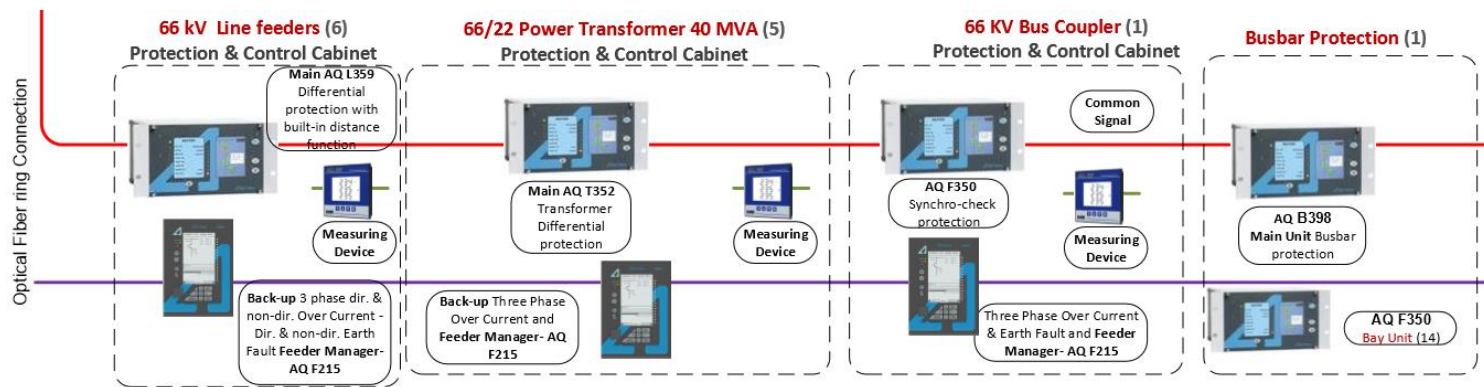
Station Level

- Station level refers to the place from where the substation is controlled and monitored as a whole.
- A dedicated master clock for the synchronization of the entire system shall be provided.



BAY LEVEL

Configuration of BAY LEVEL



Component of BAY LEVEL

- 1- Protection relay
- 2- Bay Control Unit (BCU)
- 3- measuring device



Station level contains

- The central substation controller (Station Controller)
- The means for communicate with remote upstream control level (NCC)
- The local operating facilities (HMI)

Connection with NCC

NCC facilitates monitoring of the whole grid at the same time. It may work on organizing operations between different sectors of the grid by a pre-set operation plan at certain situations.



The main functions of the station controller

- 1- Communication with bay controllers through the station bus.
- 2- Communication with HMI through the station LAN.
- 3- Communication of all abnormal substation conditions to the NCC.
- 4- Recording of events with an adequate time resolution (e.g., less than 1 ms).
- 5- Providing a time synchronization signal to the bay controllers.
- 6- Compilation printing of alarm and event lists.

Human Machine Interface HMI

- HMI is like the “face” of the SAS.
- It gives the substation operator access to control means as well as alarms and events displayed on the monitor screen.
- HMI consists of a set of pieces of hardware plus a package of applications software.



Levels of Visualization and Control



Remote HMI (NCC)



Local Substation HMI



Local Zone HMI



HMI Hardware

Color monitors

for display screens showing substation power circuits as well as control and monitoring resources.

Alphanumeric keyboard

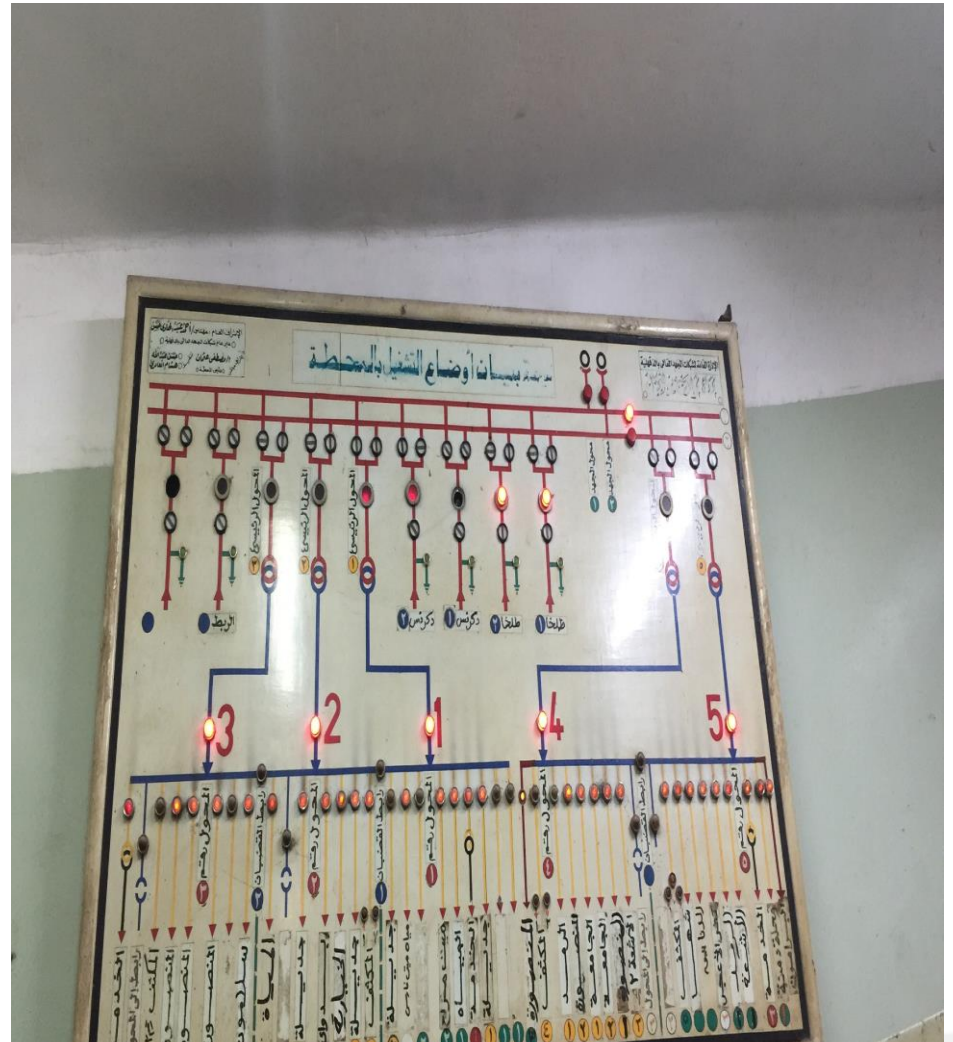
or function keys for interaction with displayed screens, and a mouse.

Printer

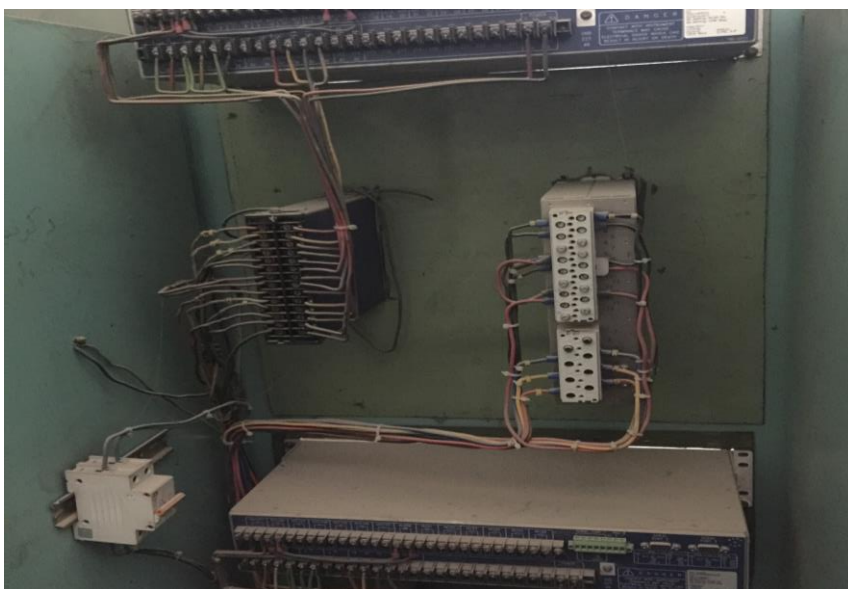
to produce hardcopies on demand and data logger for continuous printing of event texts in chronological order.

Conventional substations

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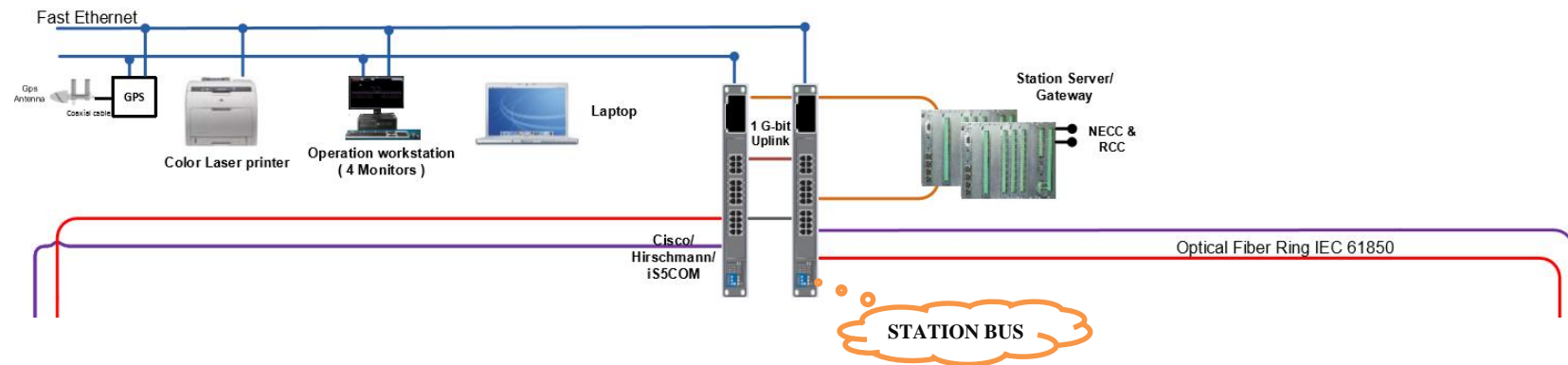


Massacre at the age of light speed



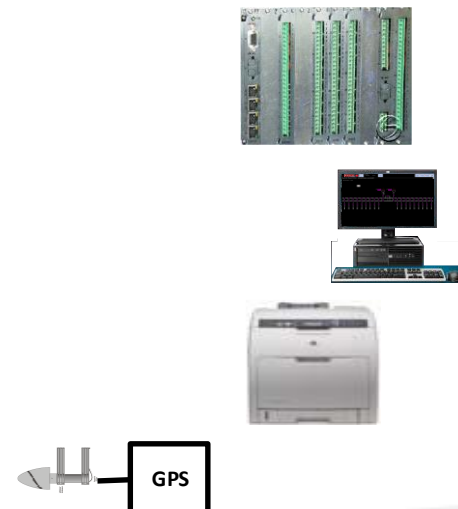
STATION LEVEL

Configuration of BAY LEVEL

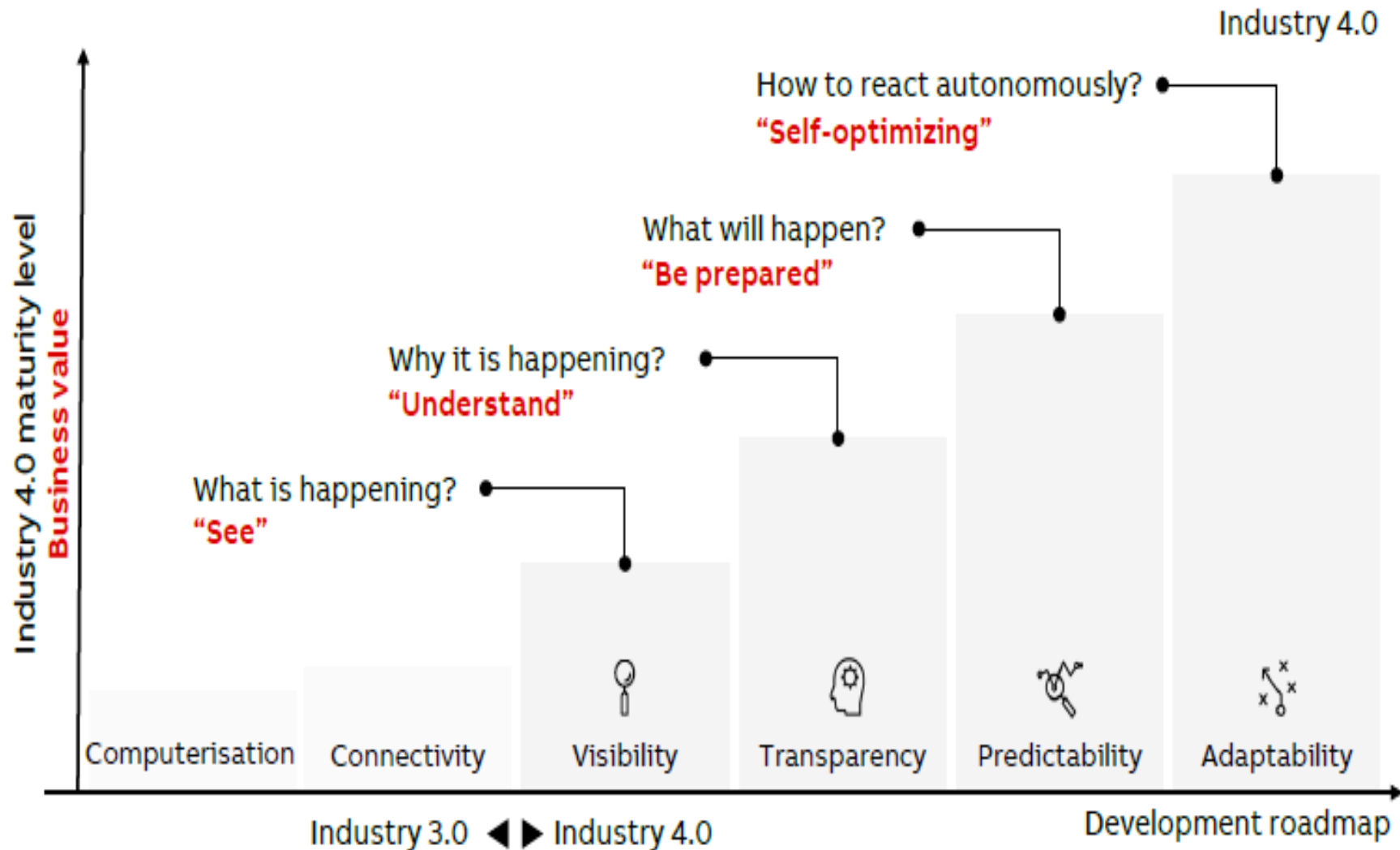


Component of STATION LEVEL

- 1- Station Server/Gateway
- 2- Operation workstation
- 3- Color Laser printer
- 4- GPS



The power of data analysis



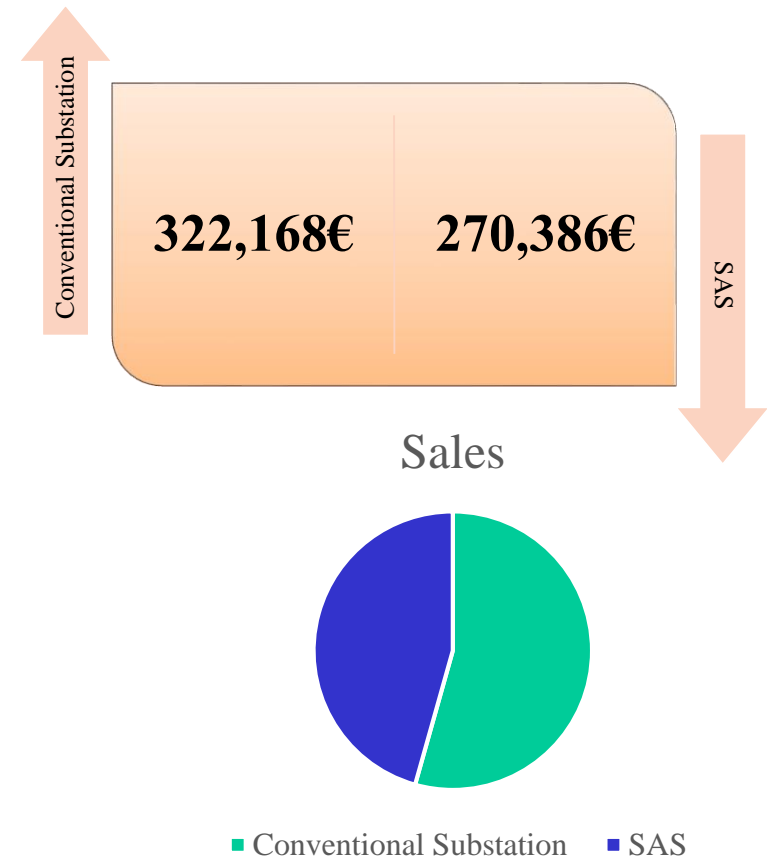
Cost Comparison between conventional and SAS

Cost Comparison

Conventional Substation VS SAS

BAY LEVEL component Cost

Reduction cost of equipment by 16%

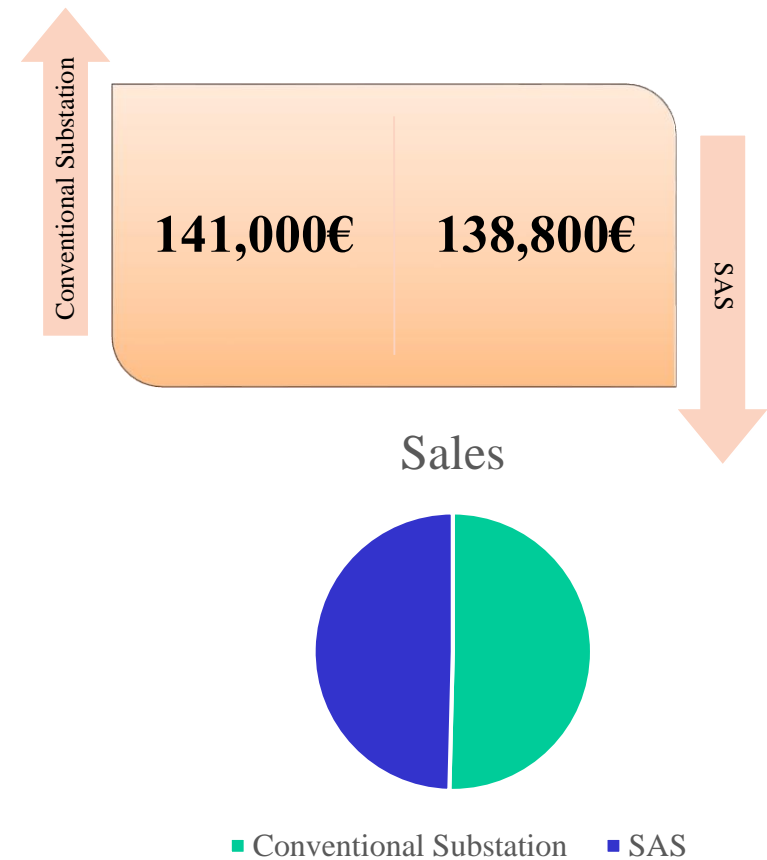


Cost Comparison

Conventional Substation VS SAS

STATION LEVEL component Cost

Reduction cost of equipment by 2%

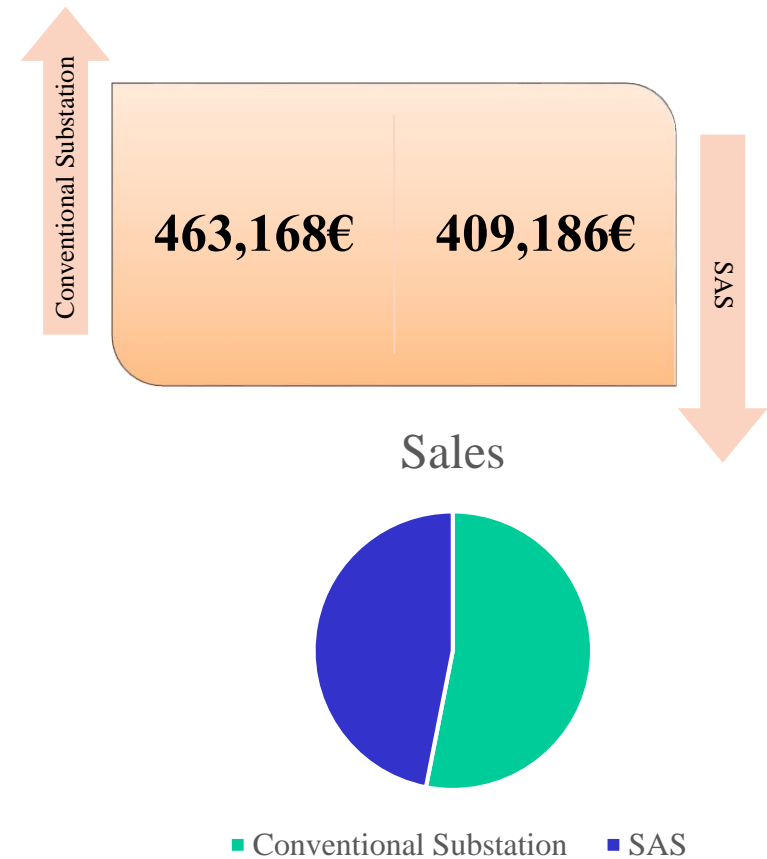


Cost Comparison

Conventional Substation VS SAS

TOTAL component Cost

Reduction cost of equipment by 12%



Thank you