

Building (Virtual) Distributed, Clean Energy Power Stations With Data-Streams Over the Internet

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Framing question:

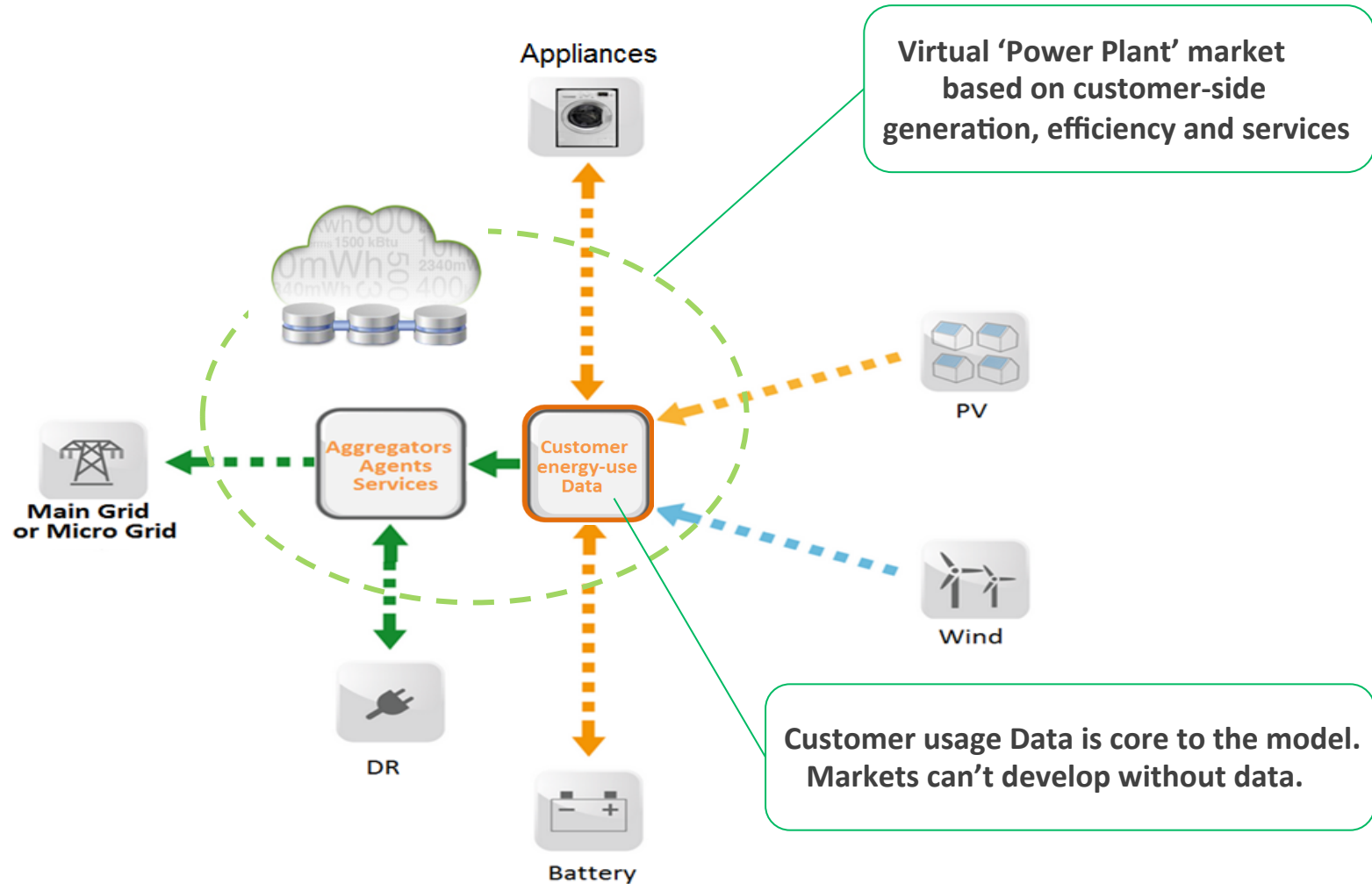
What if the real power over electricity data moves to consumers, ... and choice becomes a driving force for the grids of the near future?

Illuminating view:

‘The key to the disruption of energy lies in the exponential cost and performance improvement of technologies that convert, manage, store, and share clean energy. The clean disruption is also about software and business model innovation.’

Clean Disruption of Energy and Transportation (published 2014 – by Stanford University’s Tony Seba)

Overall, a better model looks like:



Problem is:

“Where do you get the data for that?”

- Data for energy observation and control is getting stuck ‘behind the meter’. **Mains, circuits, machines, generation and appliances** comes mainly from a single source.
- This blocks specific, reliable, networkable and accurate data for M&V, Energy Services, aggregation, allocation of costs ... **monetisation for new business models**

So data is a solution, but from where?

Technology:

Smart Meters

OR..

Smart Data

Accuracy

Class 1 or better

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Data delivery timeframe Source

Delayed, in time 'blocks'
Utilities, Meter Data Agents

**Real-time, granular
Direct**

Data Presentation

Spreadsheets

Apps & alerts

Control

Wait for reports

Anytime from anywhere

Meters

Bulky, wired

Compact, wireless

Maintenance/updates

Manual

Over- the- air

Total Cost of Ownership

(Hardware, install, commission,
data & software)

High

\$600 - \$1,000/circuit

Low

\$150 - \$200/circuit

'Smart Data' collector

Three Class 1 meters with
on-board communications
(3-phase OR 3 circuits)

Low-power, low
data overheads

No data loss from
network outages

**Power metrics
data**
(5 sec. or NEM timeframes)

- Real energy
- Reactive energy
- Voltage
- Current
- Frequency
- Power factor
- Real power
- Reactive power

supports multi-server,
multi-client models

One-sixth size, one-third
third cost of Smart Meter

Utility-independent
data in real-time

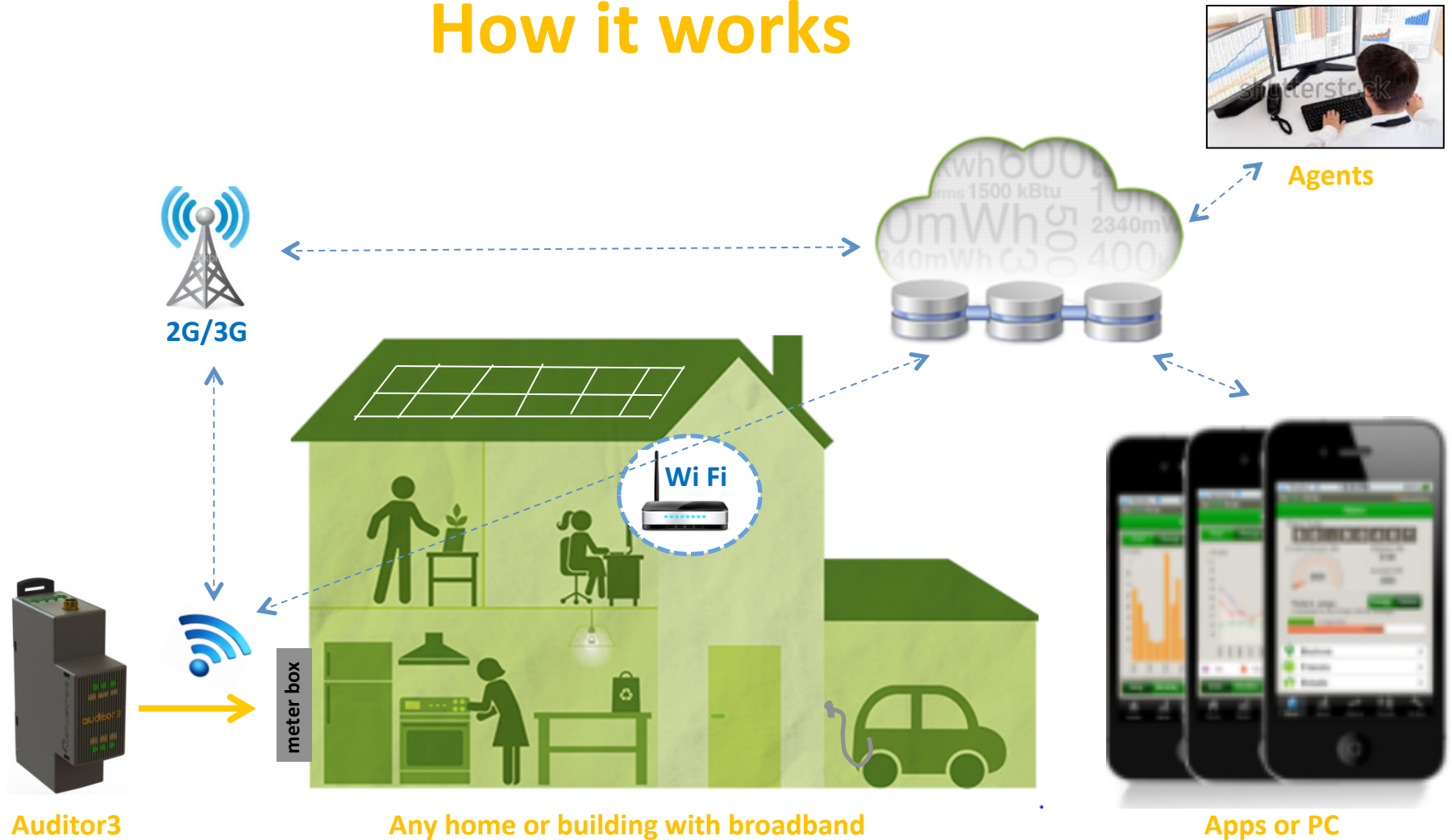
One product DIN install,
configure off smartphone

Private key
authentication & encryption

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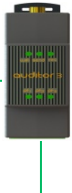


How it works



- 1 Device hardwired into Meter box
- 2 Data relayed to Cloud for analytics
- 3 See and respond in real-time
- 4 Network across any number of locations, anywhere, anytime

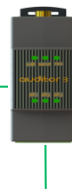
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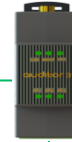


Commercial



..or data-direct via an API

Tomorrow's App development.



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Summary points.

- Virtual, distributed, clean power plants ?
think 'internet of energy' services
- Energy use data enables business innovation.
think of 'the data dividends'
- Don't be limited by utility Smart Meters.
think 'Smart Data'



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