



# Profile for Use of IEEE 1588™ Precision Time Protocol in Power System Applications

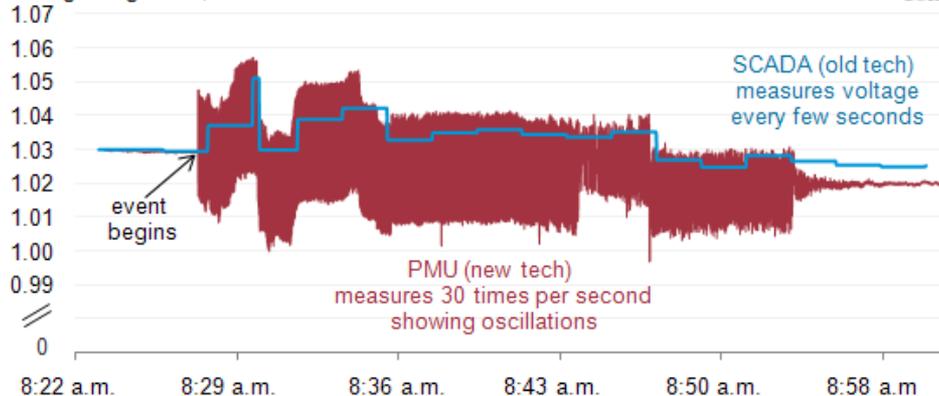
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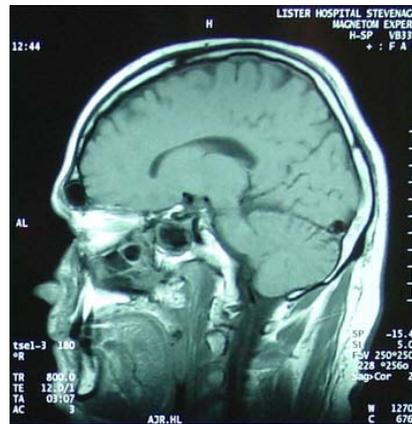
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# Why are Synchrophasors Needed?

PMU data reveal dynamic behavior as the system responds to a disturbance  
Data comparison example, voltage disturbance on April 5, 2011  
voltage magnitude, indexed



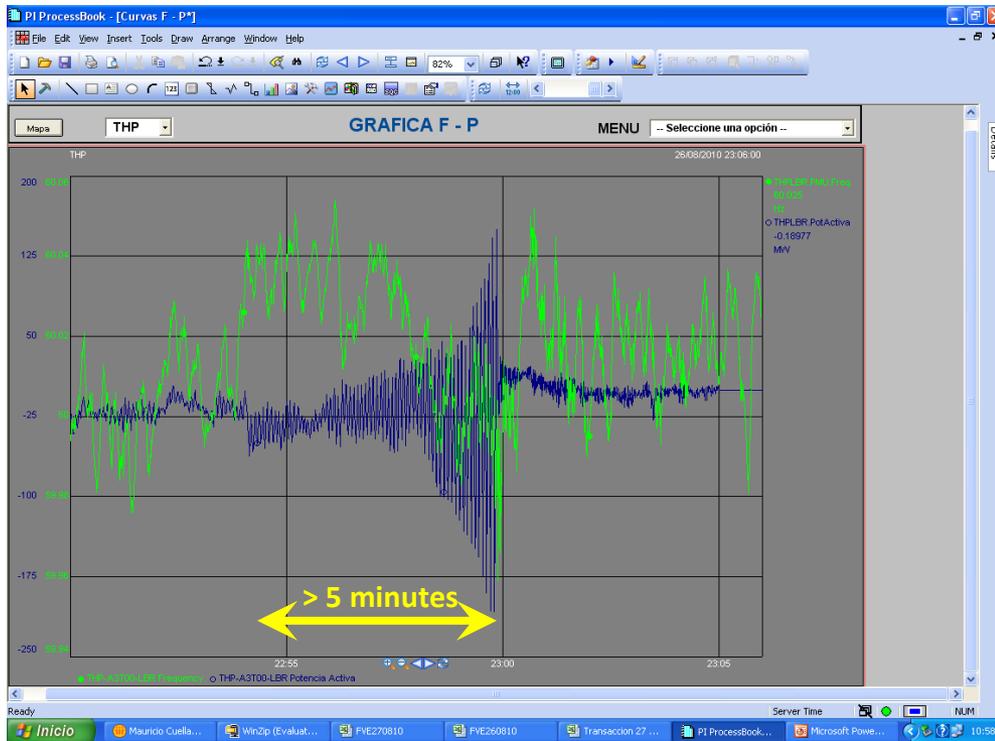
High-speed precision measurements provide information that SCADA data cannot provide.



SCADA → Synchrophasor  
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X-Ray → MRI

# Why are Synchrophasors Needed?

## Actual Mexico-Guatemala Tie Line Event

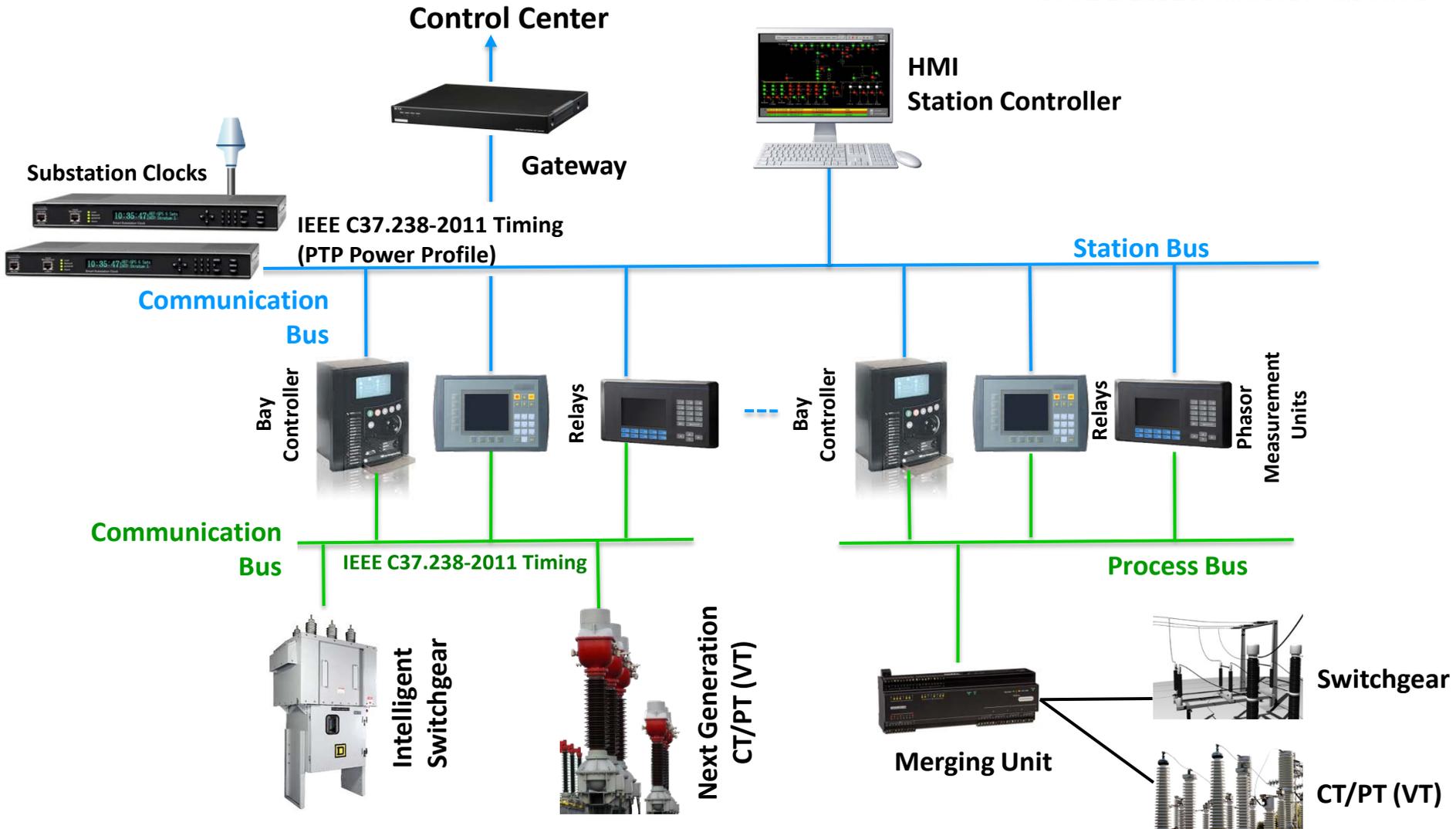


If the data can be transformed into information that enables operators to make faster more accurate decisions, the benefits to reliability are tremendous.

Precise **time synchronized** measurements are essential to transforming the data into information

# IEC 61850 Smart Substation: Industrial Ethernet Infrastructure With PTP

NO INDEPENDENT TIMING DISTRIBUTION



# Synchrophaser Timing Requirements

From IEEE C37.118.1-2011, IEEE Standard for Synchrophasor Measurements for Power Systems

A phase error of 0.57 degrees (0.01 radian) will by itself cause 1% Total Vector Error (TVE) ... This corresponds to a time error of  **$\pm 26 \mu\text{s}$**  for a **60 Hz** system and  **$\pm 31 \mu\text{s}$**  for a **50 Hz** system.

A time source that reliably provides time, frequency, and frequency stability **at least 10 times better** than these values corresponding to 1% TVE is highly recommended.

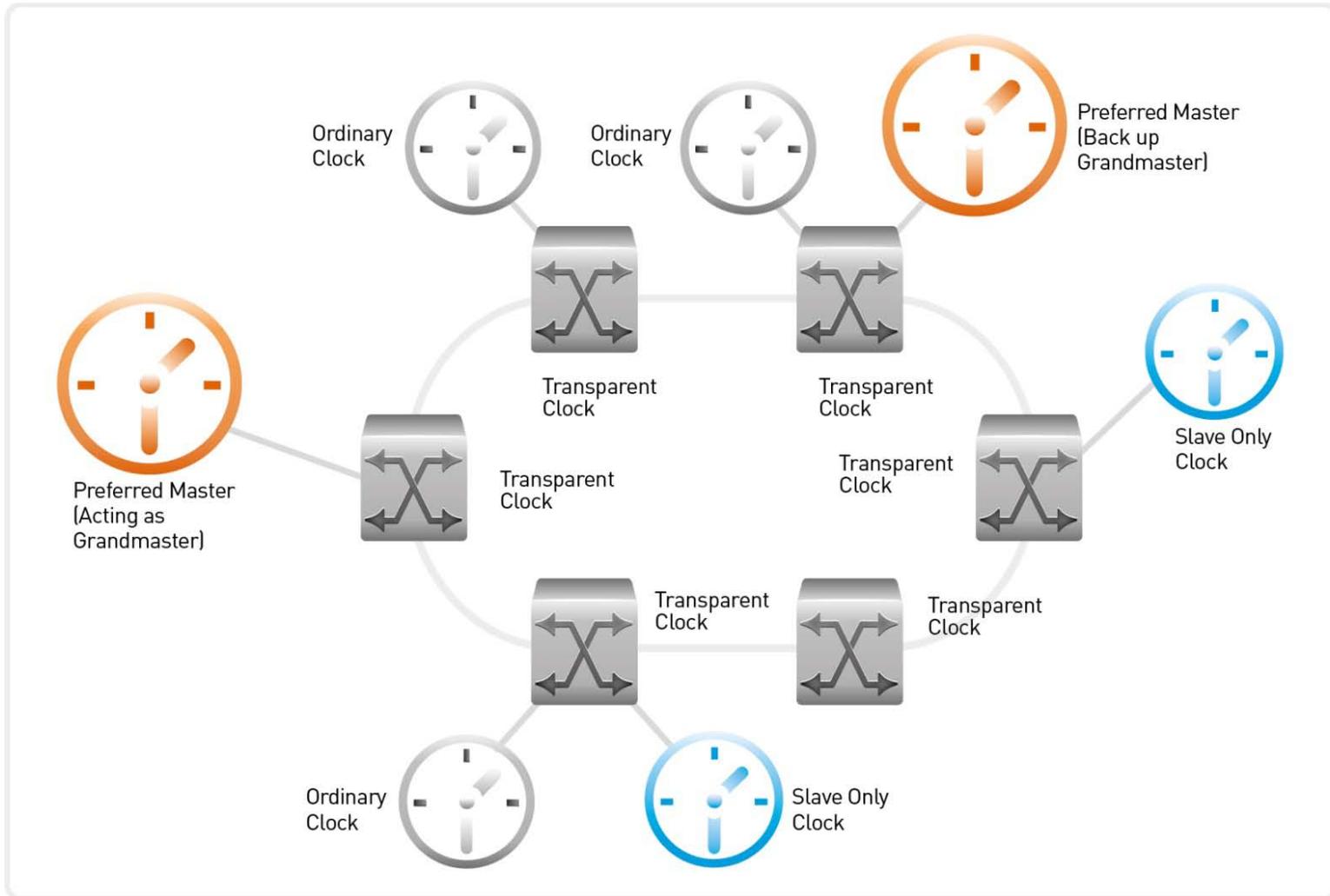
**Bottom line:  $\pm 2.6 \mu\text{s}$  for 60 Hz and  $\pm 3.1 \mu\text{s}$  for 50 Hz**

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# Time Transfer Technologies

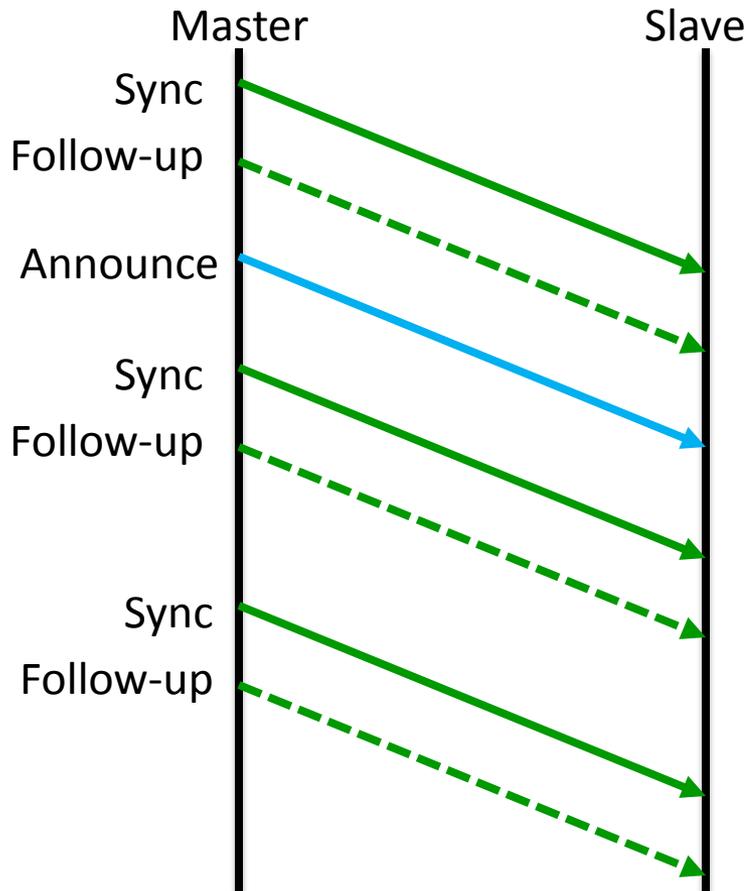
	IRIG-B	(S)NTP	PTP
<b>Accuracy (typical)</b>	1-10 $\mu$ s	1ms – 10 ms	100ns-1 $\mu$ s
<b>Transport media</b>	Dedicated cables	Ethernet cables	Ethernet cables
<b>Protocol style</b>	Master-slave	Client-server	Master-slave
<b>Built in latency correction</b>	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Set-up</b>	Configured	Configured	Self-organizing, or configured
<b>Update intervals</b>	1 second	Minutes	1 second
<b>Specialized hardware</b>	Required	No	Required
<b>Redundant masters for N-1 contingency</b>	No	Yes	Yes

# What a network looks like to PTP



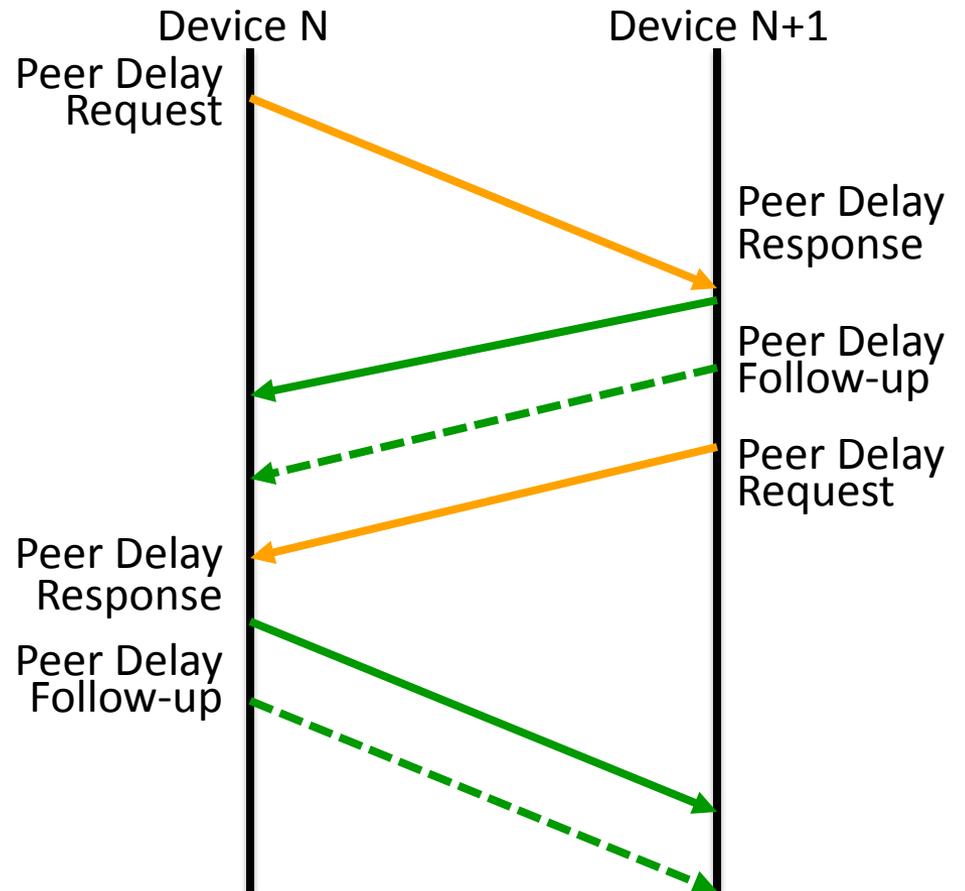
# PTP Message Sequence

## Master to Slave

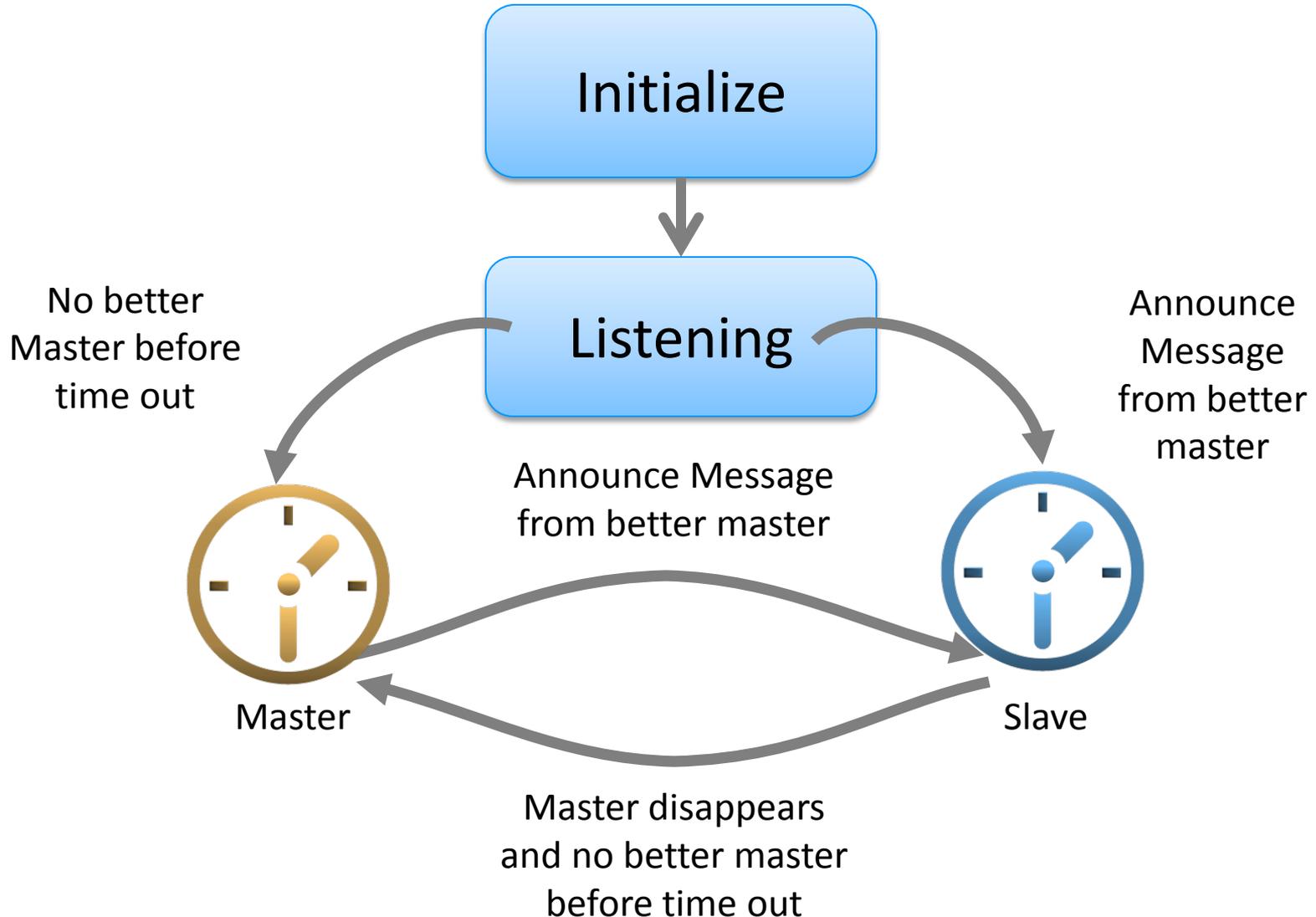


PTP Network

## Adjacent Devices



# An Ordinary Clock Wakes Up



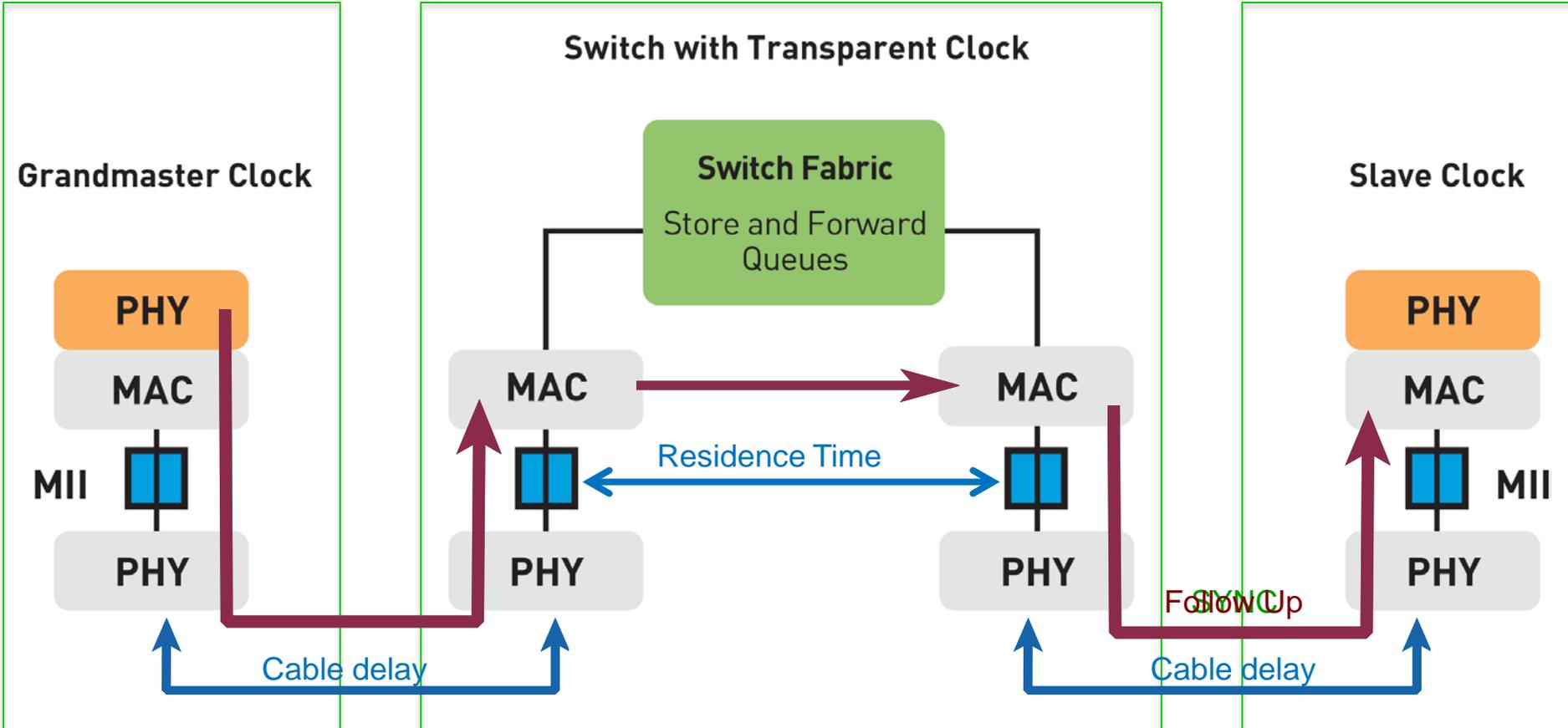
## National Football League Division Champion Tie Breakers

1. Head-to-head (best won-lost-tied percentage in games between the clubs).
2. Best won-lost-tied percentage in games played within the division.
3. Best won-lost-tied percentage in common games.
- ...
10. Best net points in all games.
11. Best net touchdowns in all games.
12. Coin toss

## Best Master Clock in PTP

1. Priority 1 Field
  - User configurable
2. Clock Class
  - Got GPS?
3. Clock Accuracy
  - E.g. 100 ns
4. Clock Variance
  - Frequency Stability
5. Priority 2 Field
  - User Configurable
6. Clock ID
  - Must be unique
  - Often MAC address

# Transparent Clock



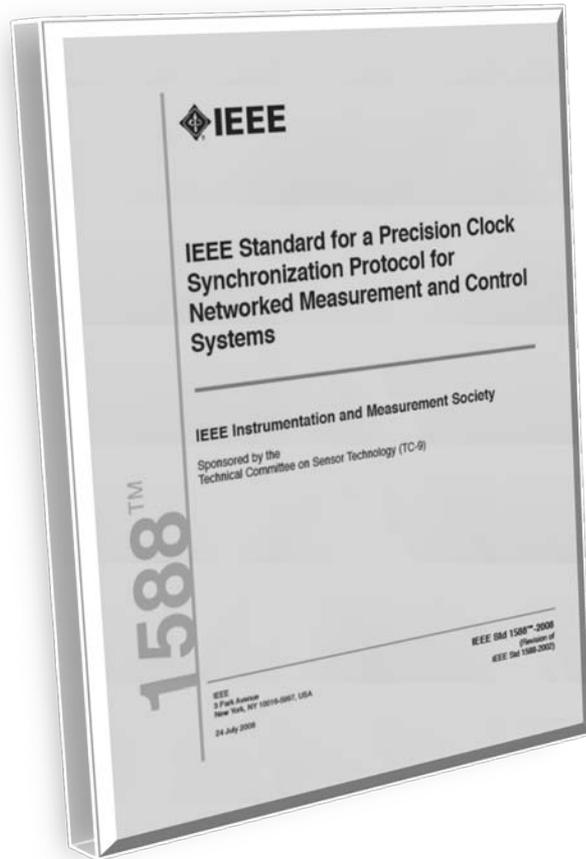
 **Timestamp Point**

Total delay = cable delays + switch residence time

- PTP options
  - Many optional features
  - Works over many network types
  - Used in several different industries
  - Interoperability between PTP enabled devices is not guaranteed!
- Profiles
  - More restrictive set of rules for specific application
  - Specifies:
    - Required options
    - Allowed options
    - Forbidden options
    - Network topology limitations

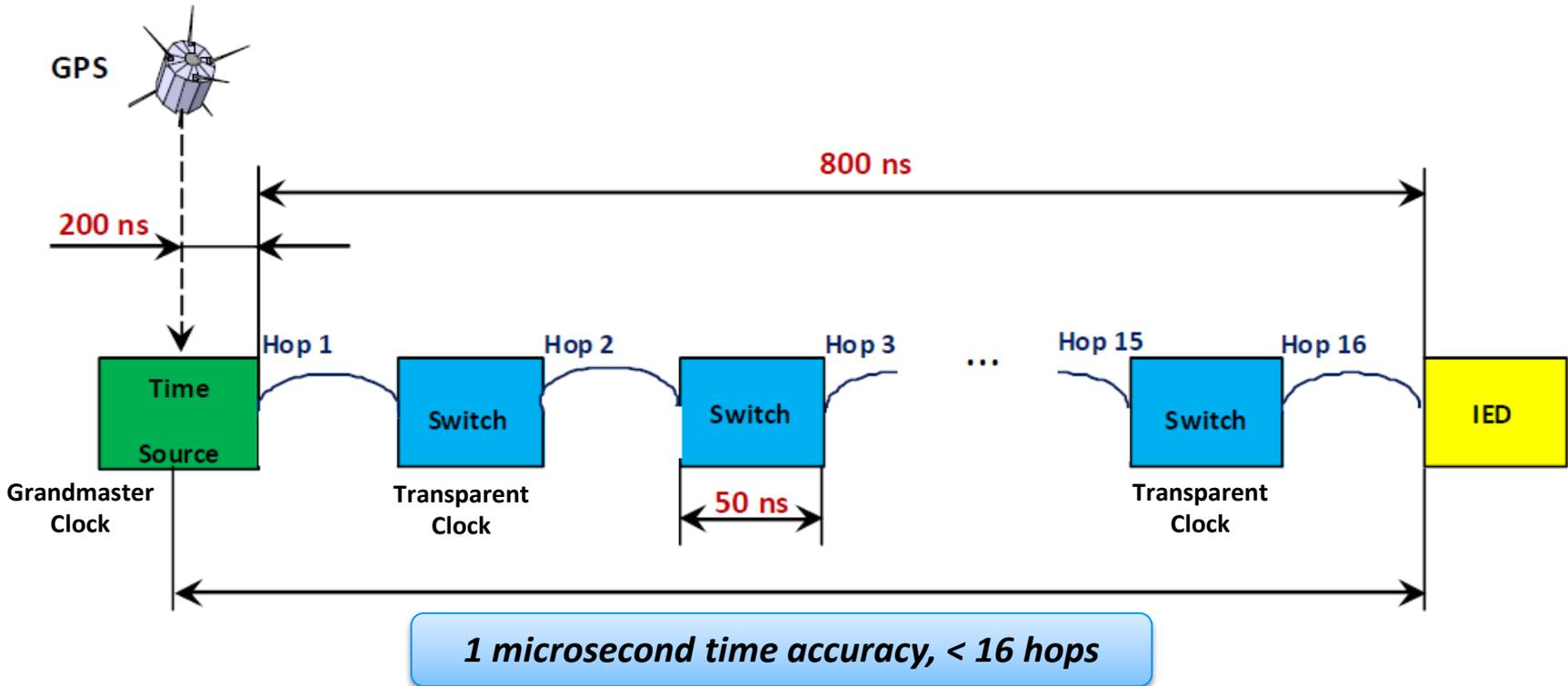
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# IEEE 1588 Power Profile Standard 2011



- IEEE C37.238-2011 Standard
  - Profile for IEEE 1588 Precision Time Protocol in power system applications
- Profile Characteristics:
  - LAN (Layer 2 Ethernet Mapping)
  - Multicast addressing only
  - Peer-to-peer delay measurement
  - Switches are Transparent Clocks
  - Time transfer accuracy and holdover time defined
- IEC 61850 will add C37.238-2011 as a requirement in the future.
- <http://standards.ieee.org/findstds/standard/C37.238-2011.html>

# PTP Power Profile



**PTP Power Profile delivers microsecond timing in the Smart Substation**

- Required:

- Ethernet Layer 2
  - HSR, PRP allowed
- All switches support peer to peer timing mechanism
  - Usually transparent clocks
- Priority fields set to 128 for GM capable devices
- Power Profile TLV
- SNMP MIB for GM capable devices
- 802.1Q VLAN tags

- Allowed:

- Clock types
  - Preferred Master clocks
  - Ordinary clocks
  - Slave only clocks
  - Transparent clocks
  - Boundary clocks
- One step and two step clocks

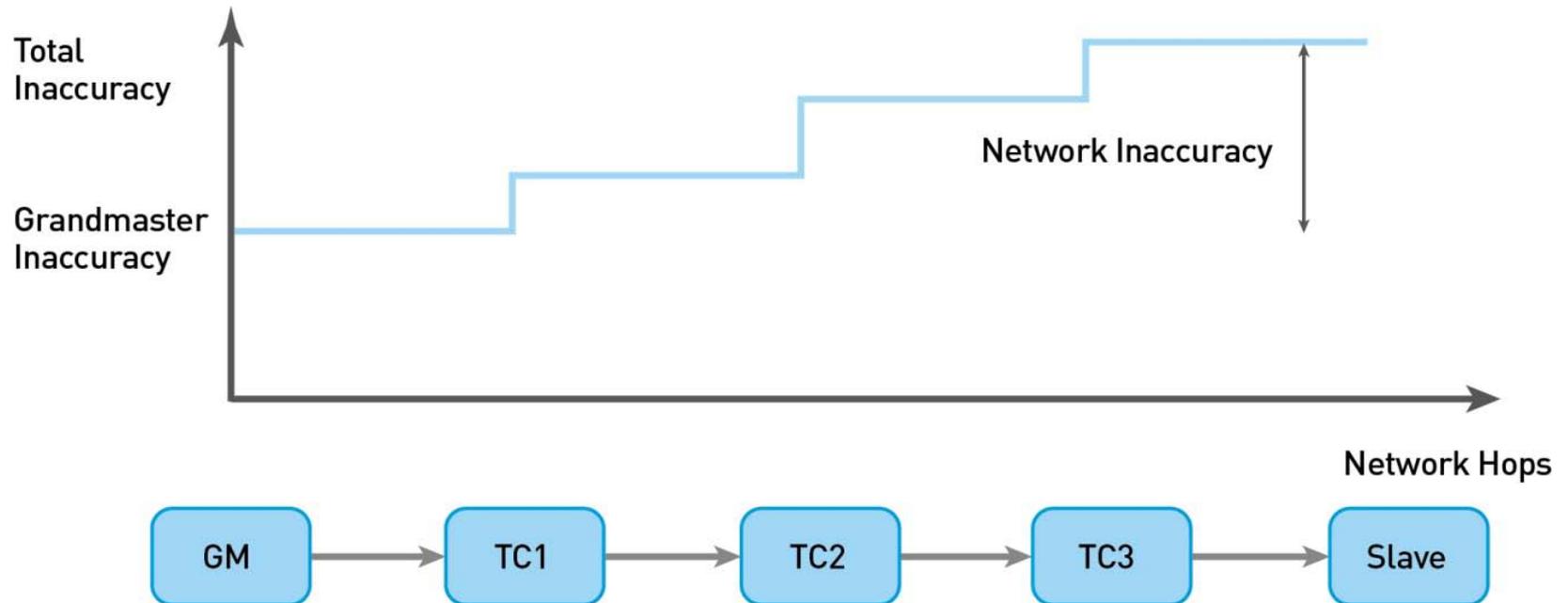
- Forbidden:

- Internet Protocol (Layer 3)
- End to end delay measurement
- Alternative time scales

# Message Rates

Message	Interval or trigger
Announce	1 second
Sync	1 second
Follow-up (2-step clocks only)	Triggered by Sync Message
Peer Delay Request	1 second
Peer Delay Response	Triggered by Peer Delay Request
Peer Delay Response Follow-up (2-step clocks only)	Triggered by Peer Delay Response

# Inaccuracy



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- IEEE 1588
  - Study Group formed to craft requirements for revision
  - New optional features
  - New network mappings
    - Explicit support for HSR and PRP?
- C37.238 Addendum
  - Clean up minor errors
  - SNMP MIB and VLAN tags optional?
- Significant investment by equipment manufacturers and silicon vendors means that **maintaining backwards compatibility will be top priority**

- PTP Power profile designed to meet the time synchronization needs of PMUs and other IEDs
  - 1 us over 16 switches.
- Key benefits of PTP (IEEE 1588)
  - Time over the data network
  - Cable delays automatically calibrated
  - Self-organizing
  - Fault tolerant
- Power Profile
  - Switches are Transparent clocks
    - Using peer to peer delay measurements
  - Message rates of once per second
  - Message carry 802.1Q Ethernet tags
  - Announce message carries maximum inaccuracy information

# SGC-1500 Smart Grid Clock



- Multiple GigE ports
- GPS timing receiver
- PTP Power Profile GM
- PTP Telecom Profile slave\*
- Secure management
- NERC CIP compliance
- IRIG-B, DCF-77, pulse rates, 10MPPS output timing ports
- T1/E1, Fiber optic, Open collector outputs
- Rubidium oscillator option
- IEC 61850-3, IEEE 1613 hardened

*\*Additional information on the PTP Telecom Profile is available on the Symmetricon website (recorded webinar and white paper.)*

**Thank you.**

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