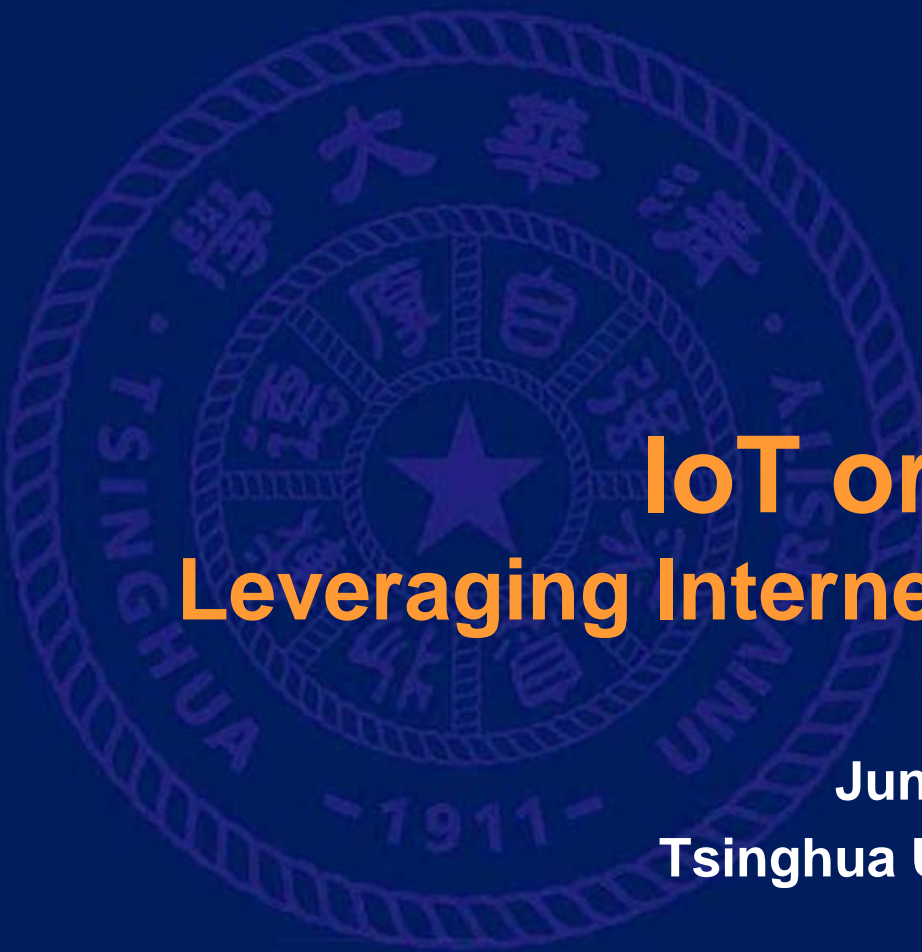


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# IoT or CPS

## Leveraging Internet for Smarter Grid

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# Current Grid



**Coal**



**Nuclear**



**Gas**

**Transmission  
& Distribution**



**Residential**



**Industrial**



**Commercial**



# Smart Grid



Wind



Coal



Nuclear



Gas



Solar

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Automobile



Trains

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# (Future) Internet



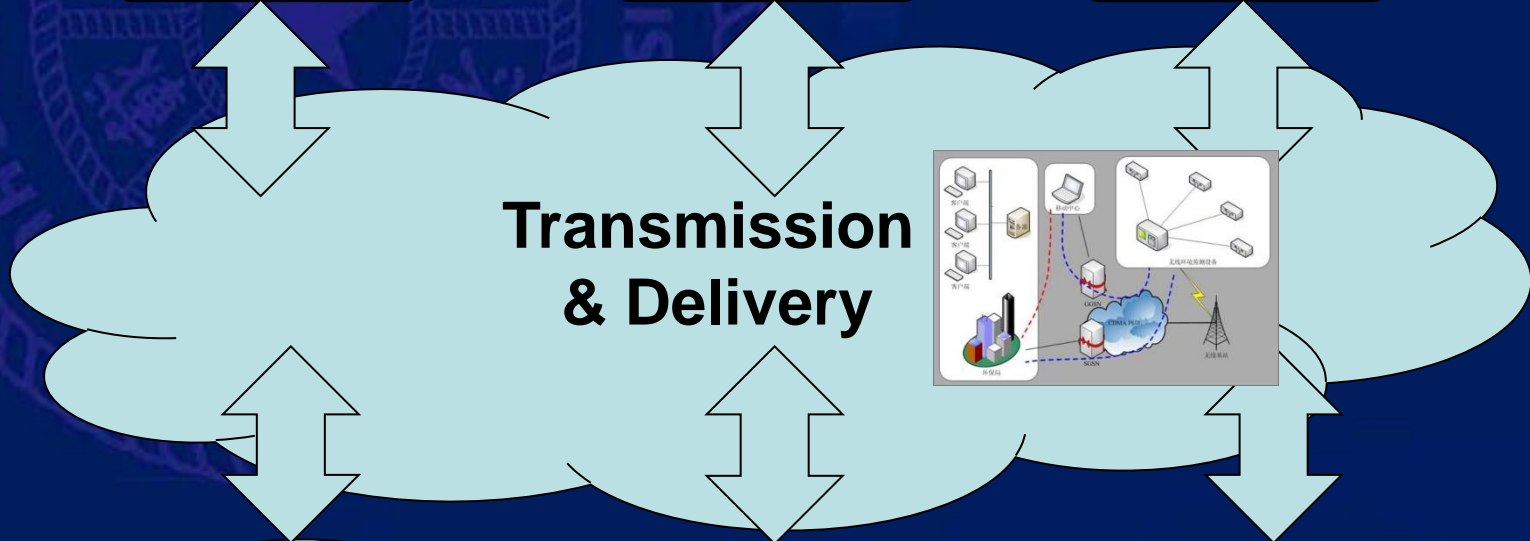
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**Enterprises**



**MIDs**



**SOHO**



# Other Infrastructures

- High speed rail/trains
- Highways
- Airlines
- Petroleum/Gas pipelines
- Water supplies
- Transfer between stations/ports, etc.
- Bandwidth and latency limitations

Discrete

Continuous

# IoT & CPS

- **Internet of Things**

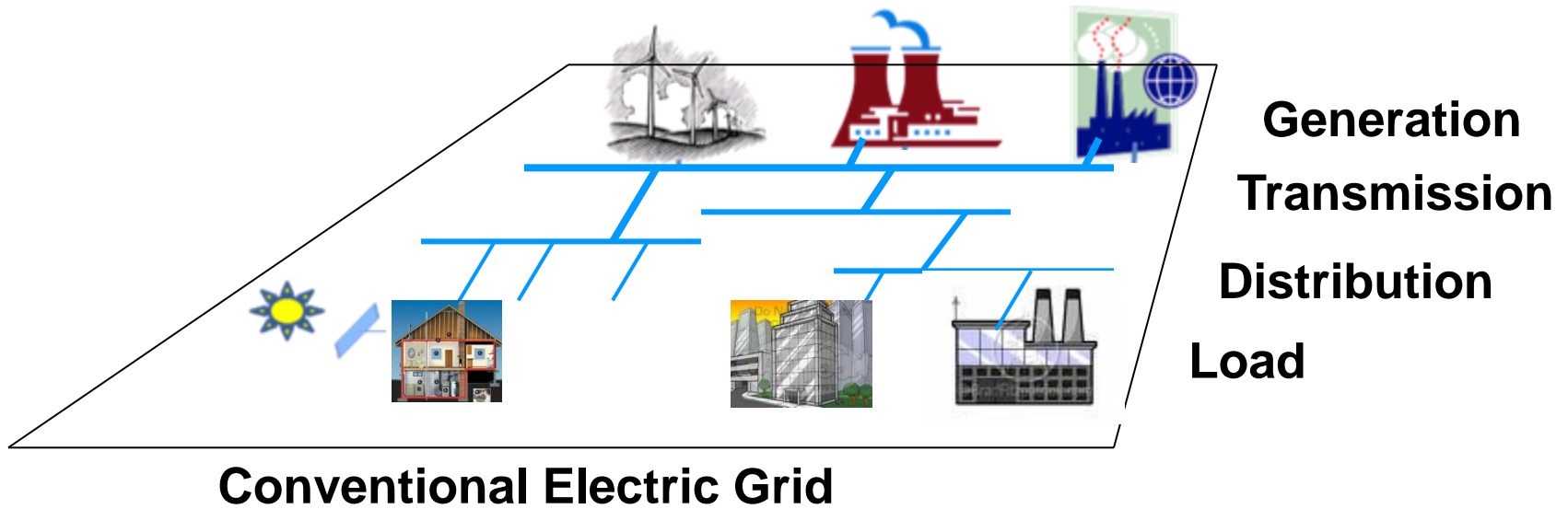
- **It was mostly computing and communication**
- **+Sensors and sensor network**
- **+Actuators and control system**

- **Cyber Physical System**

- **Tight conjoining of and coordination between computational and physical resources**
- **Pervasive/Ubiquitous/Symbiotic Computing**
- **IoT=CPNet : IoT is to implement CPS in a wide-area networking environment**



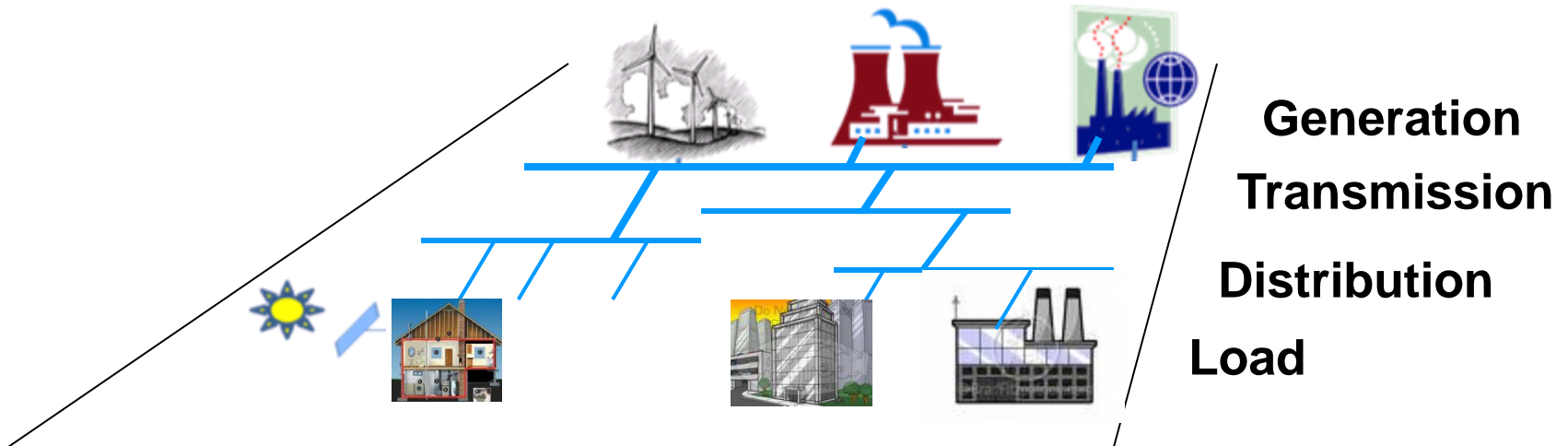
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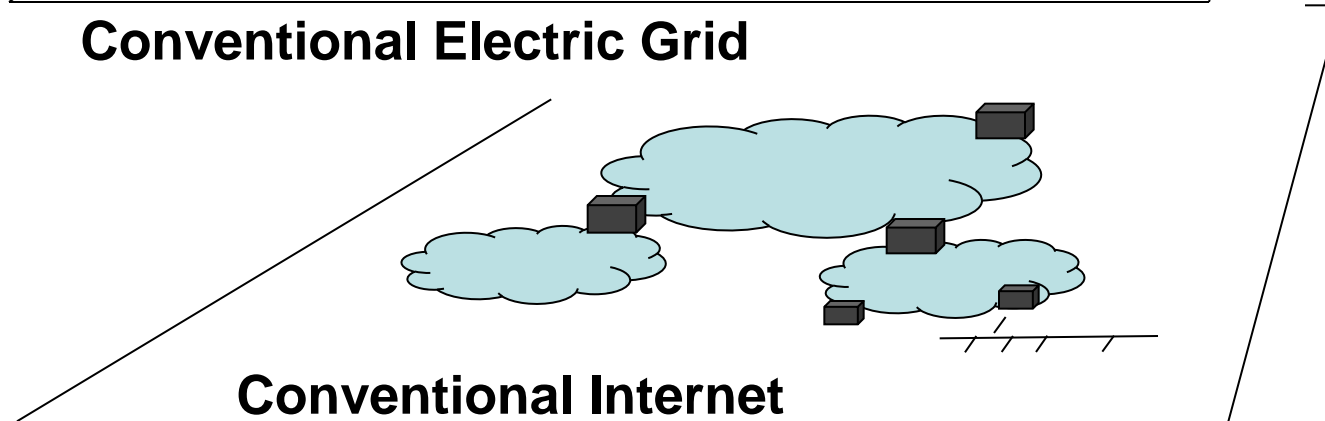
Curtsey: A Network Architecture for Localized Electrical Energy Reduction, Generation and Sharing  
David Culler



# Internet Exists



**Conventional Electric Grid**

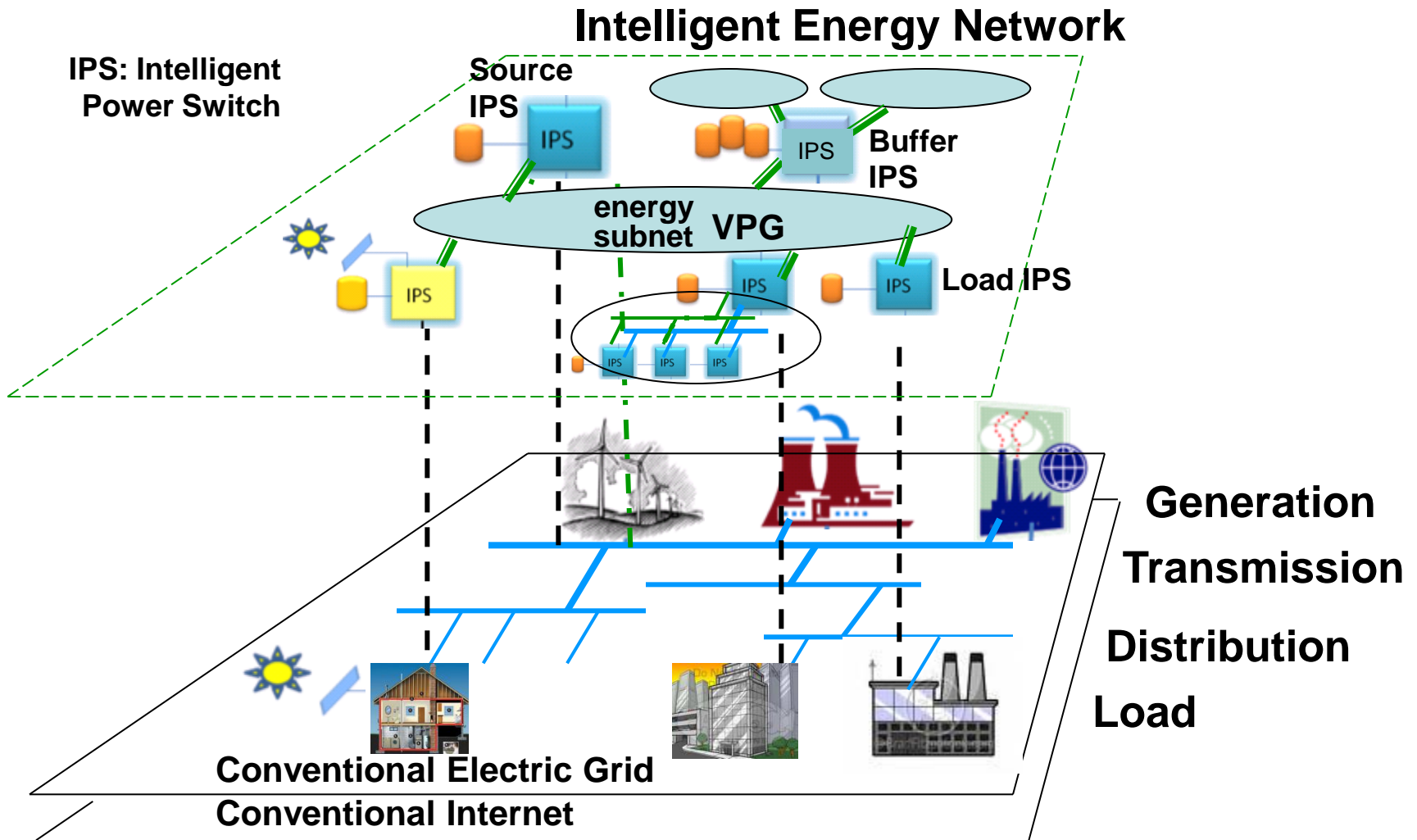


**Conventional Internet**





# Intelligent Energy Network as Overlay on Both



# Internet of Infrastructure

- **Infrastructure needs Internet**
  - **Best available “nerve” system for infrastructure**
  - **Data/knowledge and processing power**
  - **Most advanced human interface**
- **Internet evolves for infrastructure**
  - **More (centralized) controllability**
  - **Better real-time capability**
  - **Higher reliability**
  - **Advanced security**

# OpenFlow Switching

Controller

*OpenFlow Switch specification*

OpenFlow Switch

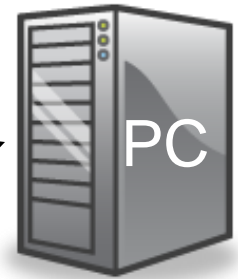
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Secure Channel

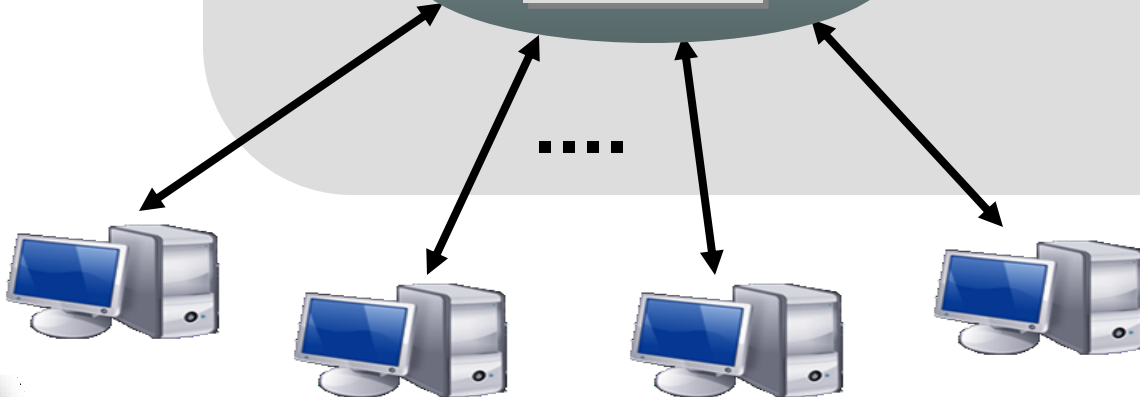
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Flow Table

OpenFlow Protocol  
SSL

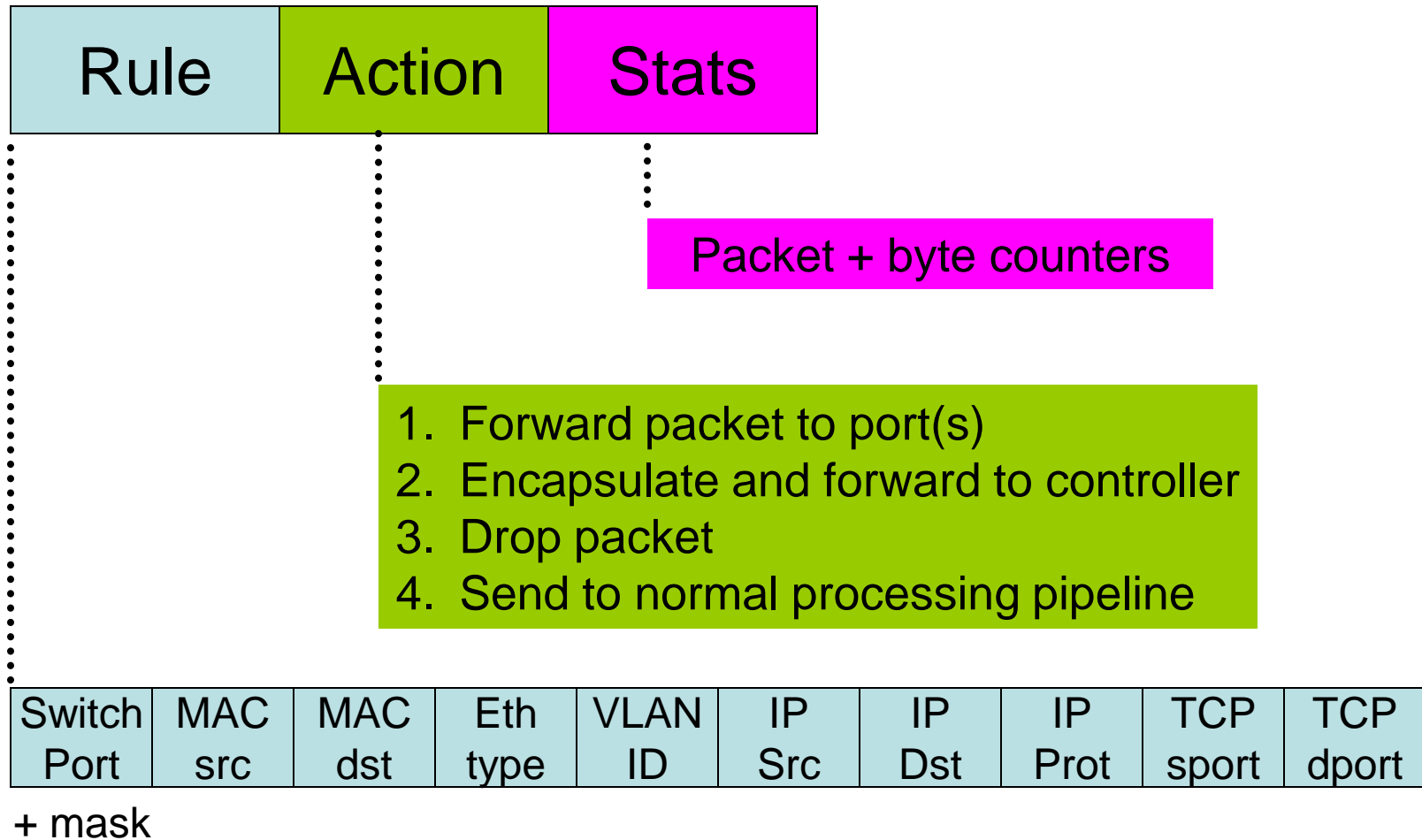


Curtsey: OpenFlow --- Why can't I innovate in my wiring closet?  
Nick McKeown



# Flow Table Entry

## “Type 0” OpenFlow Switch



# OpenFlow Advantage

- **Separate intelligence from datapath**
  - Centralizes data collection and fusion
  - Allows in depth analysis and granular control
- **Flexible flow path control**
  - Enables multipath for latency reduction, load balancing, redundancy, and confidentiality
  - Opens up waypoints for middleware, such as access/admission control and intrusion management, as well as middleboxes
  - and a lot more possibilities to be developed

# Smart Resource Management

- **Global resource optimization**
  - Avoid local-optimal solution
  - Centralized management plane
- **High-level configuration**
  - Avoid on-site configuration effort
  - Automatic low-level control policy deployment
- **Possible Approaches**
  - Build secure management plane
  - Design reliable discovery mechanism
  - [OpenFlow, CCR'08]

# Scalable Computing Capacity

- **Computation Architecture**
  - Smart decision-making for millions of nodes
  - Scaling up/down and in/out
- **Content Organization**
  - Massive data generated by nodes
  - Mixed critical and non-critical information
- **Possible Approaches**
  - Using datacenters for computation [NOX to DC, Hotnet'09]
  - Using hierarchical CACHE and HASH for storage [Onix, OSDI'10]

# Fine-grain Control

- **Controllability**
  - **Reliable communication**
  - **Resource exposure**
- **Fine-grain**
  - **Different level of policy enforcing**
  - **Support extensible protocol processing**
- **Possible Approaches**
  - **Support standard management protocol [OpenFlow 2.0]**
  - **Using both proactive and reactive policy enforcement [DIFANE, Sigcomm'10]**



# Cost-effective Deployment

- **Cost of control elements**
  - Millions of nodes
  - Redundant deployment
- **Cost of system configuration**
  - Expense of field engineering
  - Difficulties in re-deployment
- **Possible Approach**
  - Using virtualized topology for flexible and extensible deployment [Open vSwitch, HotNet'09]
  - Using network-wide operating system for configuration [Nox, CCR'08]

# Security and Reliability

- **Secured control plane**
  - Sending correct policy
  - Receiving correct message
- **Reliable data plane**
  - Real-time and critical messages
  - Fault-tolerance
- **Possible Approach**
  - Out-of-band secure channel with policy check [FlowVisor, OSDI'10]
  - Fine-grain QoS support [OF QoS, WERN'10]

# Our Research I

- **Key algorithms for OpenFlow**
  - **Stateful Inspection**
    - for 10~100 Gbps packet classification and session processing
    - on commodity NP and FPGA devices
    - in *Infocom'09* and *FPT'10*
  - **Deep inspection**
    - for 10 Gbps flow inspection
    - on of-the-shelf FPGA
    - in *Globecom'10* and *Infocom'11*

# Our Research II

- **OpenFlow-based Service-aware Network**
  - **Service-aware virtual topology**
    - **Virtual topology for different service networks**
    - **Based on switch device virtualization**
  - **Distributed service-aware processing**
    - **Offload centralized control to distributed systems**
    - **Meeting critical performance requirements**
    - **Saving network bandwidth**

# Conclusion

- Infrastructure and Internet will evolve into each other and emerge as IoT, CPS, or whatever you call it.
- This requires Internet to gain better controllability, reliability, and security, especially for Smart Grid.
- OpenFlow and its like enable many possible approaches, and brings a lot of challenges and opportunities for networking research.



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**Questions?**