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Federated Architecture for Secure and Transactive Distributed Energy Resource Management Solutions (FAST-DERMS)

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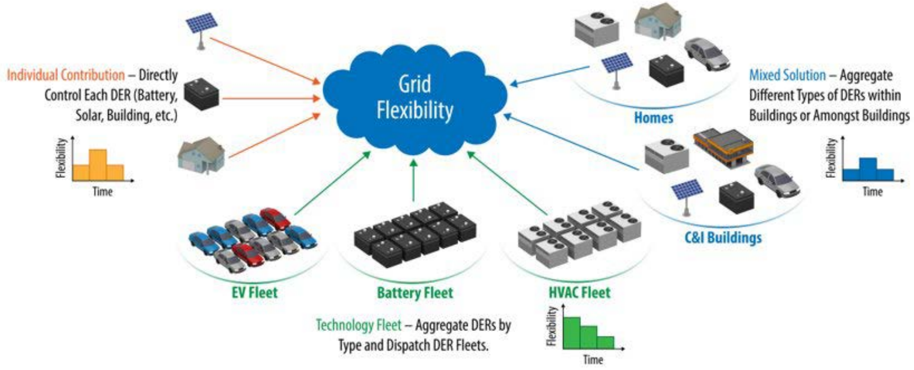
Overview

- Supported by the Department of Energy under the Grid Modernization Laboratory Consortium
- **Objective:** design and develop a federated architecture that can aggregate and manage a broad range of DERs across the grid for bulk system services
  - Provides reliable, resilient, and secure distribution and transmission grid services
  - Enables scalable, near-real-time management of utility-scale and small-scale DERs
  - Supports transactive control, aggregation, and direct control of DERs
  - Incorporates existing utility management systems



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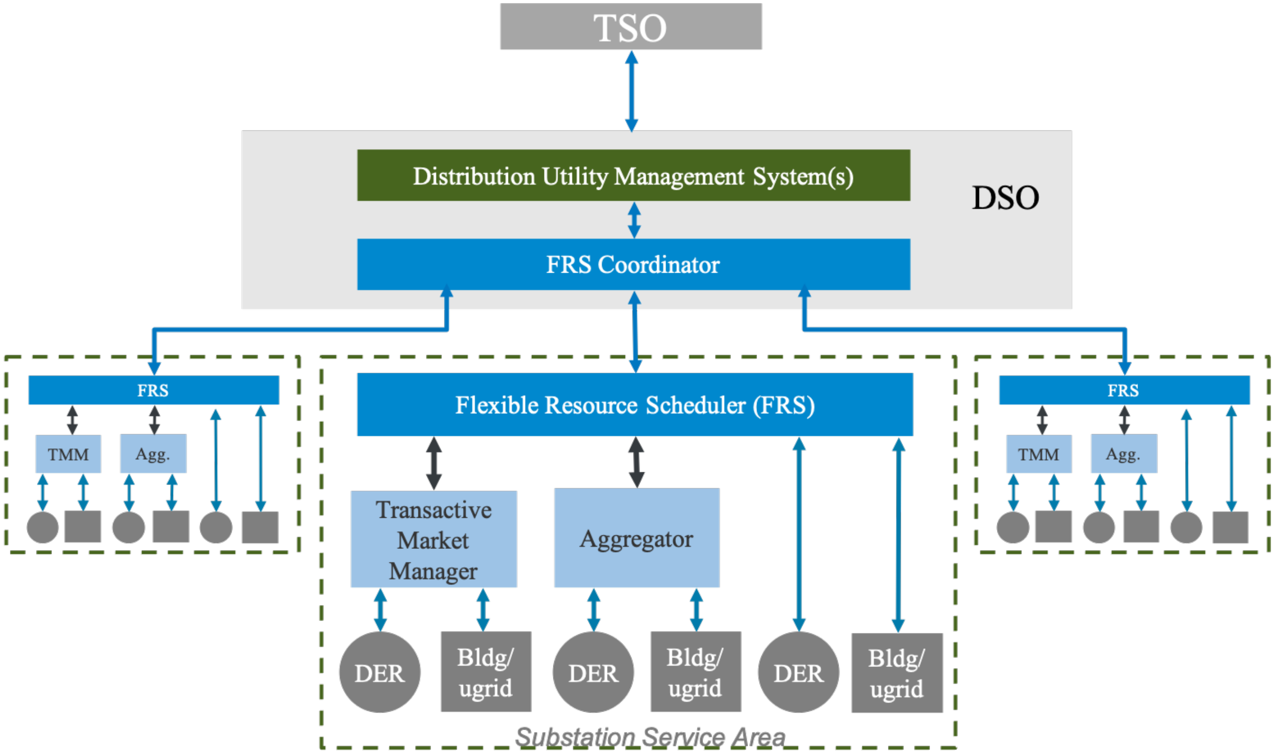

Concept diagram for FAST-DERMS

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National Laboratories:

- National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory
- Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

Utilities:

- San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E)
- ComEd – An Exelon Company
- New York Power Authority (NYPA)
- Southern Company

Universities:

- Iowa State University
- University of North Carolina - Charlotte

Industry Partners:

- Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)
- Oracle
- GridBright, Inc

Project Tasks

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2. Develop stochastic control and optimization algorithms for DER scheduling
3. Quantify DER and aggregation flexibility
4. Develop cyber-attack detection and adaptive local DER control for bulk system stability
5. Develop a transactive control architecture for market-based coordination of DERs
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- Define system-level principles and objectives, concepts, specifications for FAST-DERMS
- Architecture document available online: https://doi.org/10.2172/1839591

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- Develop the Flexible Resource Scheduler (FRS)

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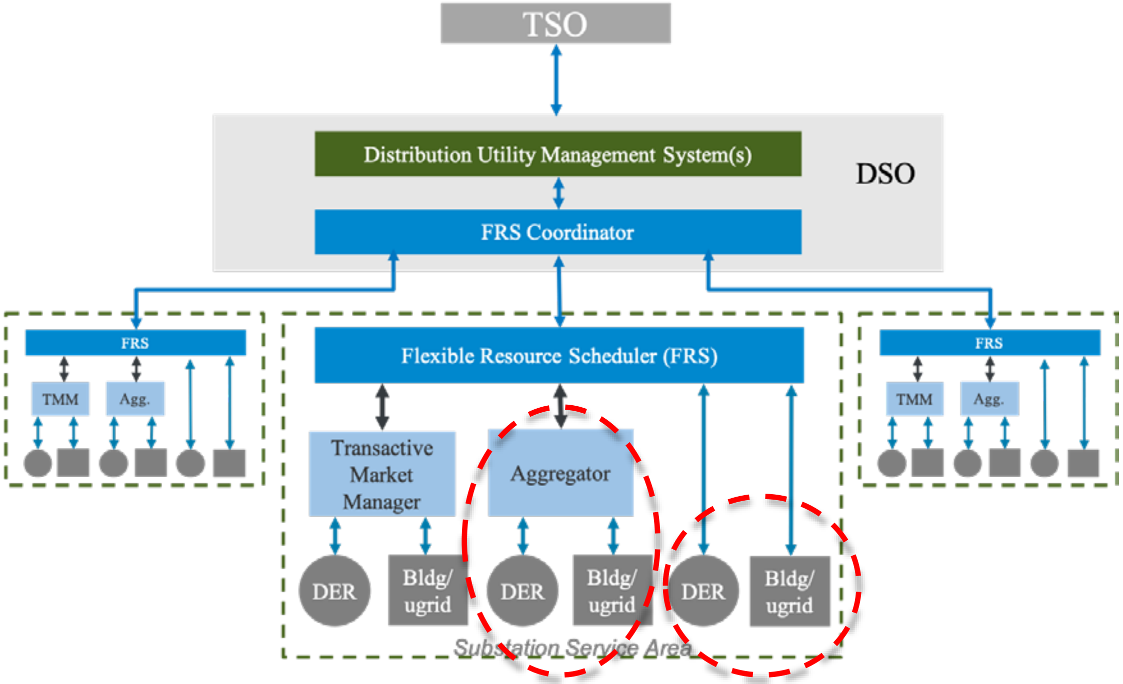
3. Quantify DER and aggregation flexibility

- Develop model for DERs and aggregators
  - PV, battery, flexible load, EV, MG/VPP
- Quantify their flexibility
- Quantify their uncertainty



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- Hybrid anomaly detection by integrating DSSE centralized detection with distributed anomaly detection at grid edge
  - Y Yao, et al. “A Hybrid Data-Driven and Model-Based Anomaly Detection Scheme for DER Operation”. IEEE ISGT 2022.
- Adaptive inverter control that allows uncompromised DERs to adjust their settings to mitigate cyber attack in system

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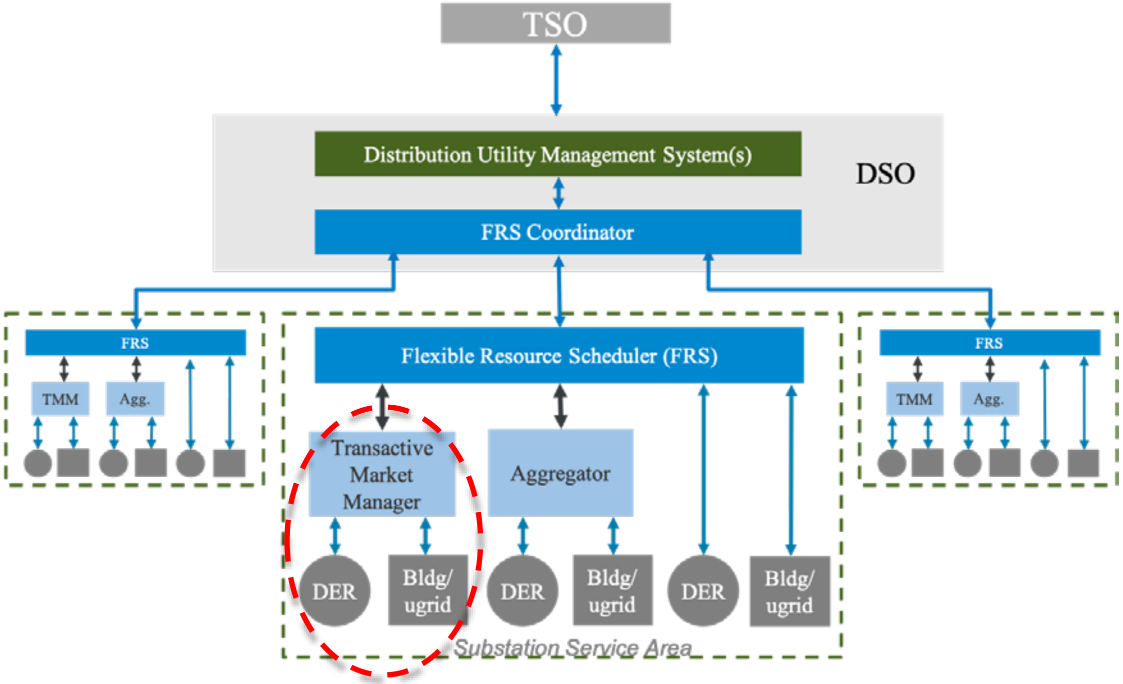
5. Develop a transactive control architecture for market-based coordination of DERs

- Provide aggregated transactive information to the FRS
- Dispatch resources after receiving commands from the FRS



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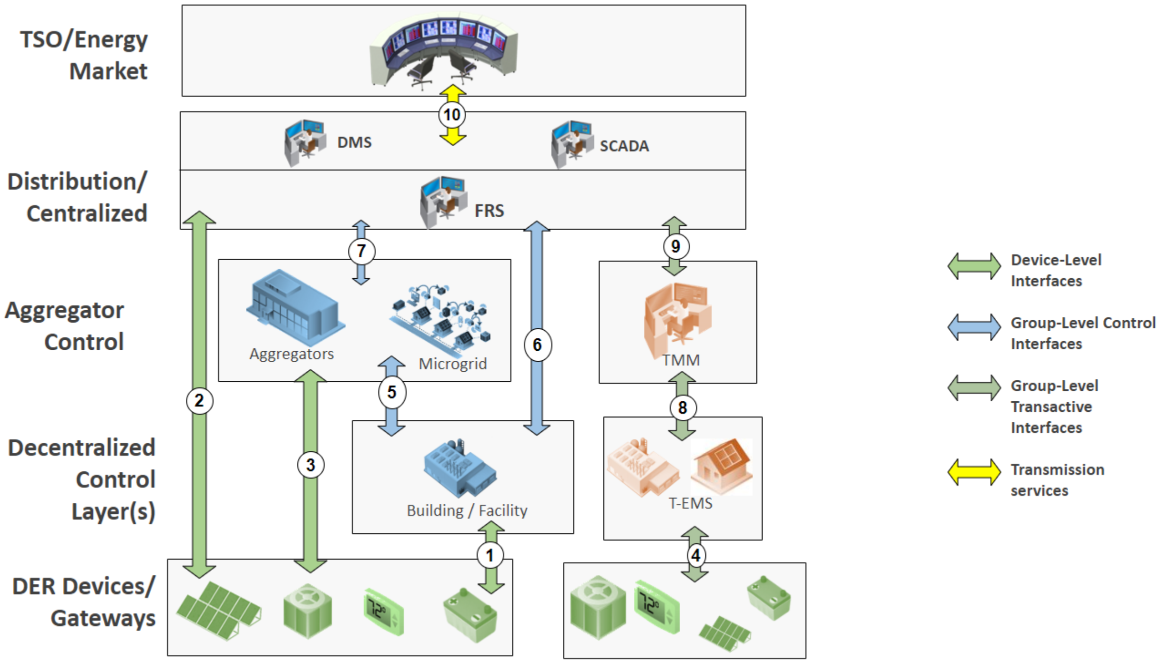
6. Develop a communications architecture to support implementation of FAST-DERMS

- Complex communication landscape across multiple layers
- Standard based
- Interoperability
- A communications system design document is under development



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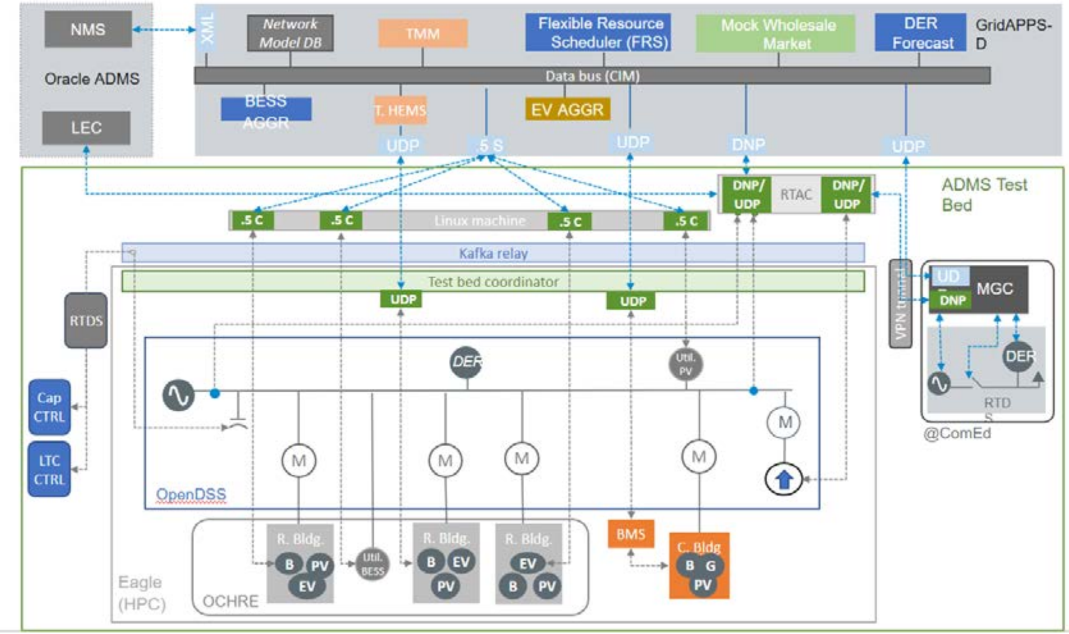
7. **Implement FAST-DERMS on the GridAPPS-D and ESIF ADMS testbed platforms**
8. **Demonstrate and characterize FAST-DERMS using GridAPPS-D and the ADMS test bed**

- NREL ADMS test bed – network and devices
- GridAPPS-D – control functionalities
- Oracle ADMS – existing ADMS
- Final demo on SDG&E feeder

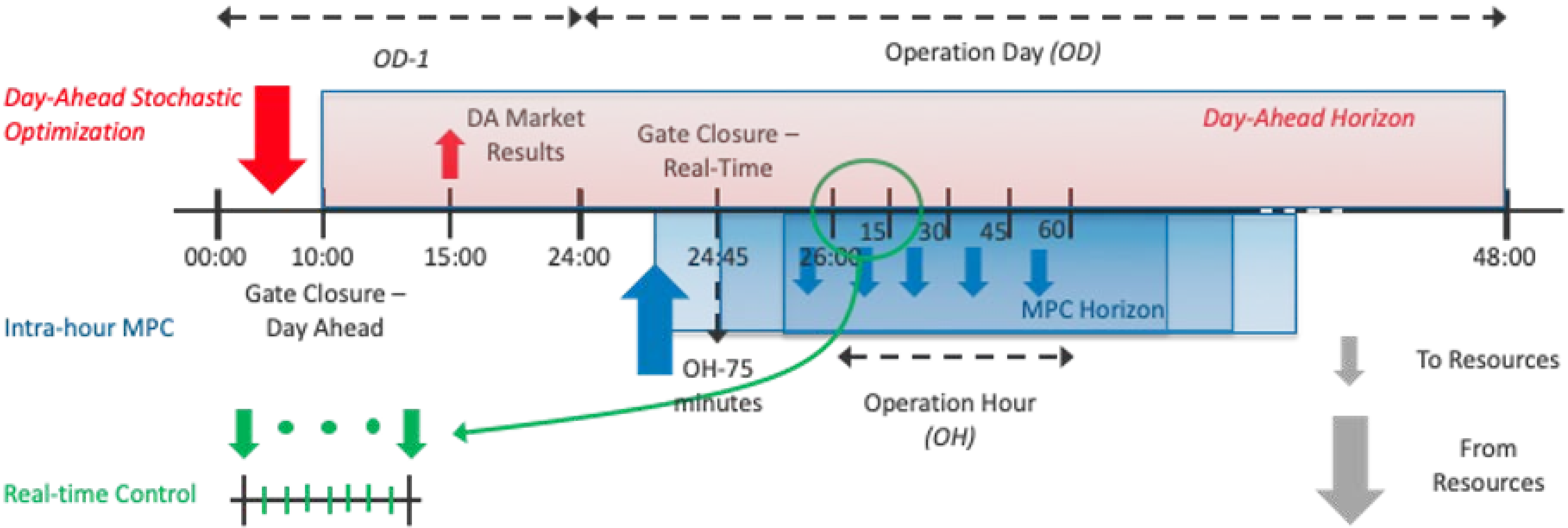


Flexible Resource Scheduler

Three-Level Hierarchy

- Three-level temporal hierarchy of control to align with wholesale market timelines
  - Day-Ahead Stochastic Optimization
    - Generate hourly network-level energy and reserve offers to wholesale market for the next day via scenario-based stochastic optimization
  - Intra-hour Model Predictive Controller (MPC)
    - Meet day-ahead market award obligations and/or adjust position in real-time markets
    - Allocate resource response for real-time controller
    - 4-hour rolling horizon optimization, run every 15 minutes
  - Real-time Control
    - Manage the difference between TSO dispatch and measured power flow at the substation
    - Dispatch signal from TSO disaggregated based on allocation outcomes in MPC
    - One-way communication to DER, primary feedback from substation meter

FRS Timeline



Day-Ahead Stochastic Optimization

- Approach: scenarios-based stochastic optimization
- General form:

$$\min_{u(t)} E\left[\text{Total Cost}\right]$$

$$\text{subject to: } \forall d \in N_{scenarios}$$

$$\left[\text{DER Power (P \& Q) and Energy Constraints}\right]_d$$

$$\left[\text{Linearized AC Power Flow}\right]_d$$

$$\left[\text{Power System Constraints (Voltage and Thermal)}\right]_d$$

$$\left[\text{Constant Substation Energy and Reserve Offers}\right]_d$$

$$\left[\text{Minimum distribution system cost recovery}\right]_d$$

- Decision variables: power and reserve schedule for DER and aggregators, price for transactive market managers.

Day-Ahead Stochastic Optimization

- Random variables:

What	Symbol	Number
Electricity Prices	$\Pi_{e,t}$	T
Reserve Prices - Up	$\Pi_{r,up,t}$	T
Reserve Prices - Down	$\Pi_{r,dn,t}$	T
Nodal Load - Real Power	$P_{i,l,t}$	$T * N_{bus}$
Nodal Load - Reactive Power	$Q_{i,l,t}$	$T * N_{bus}$
DER Max Power	$P_{max,DER,t}$	$T * (N_{PV} + N_{EV} + N_{DR})$
DER Min Power	$P_{min,DER,t}$	$T * (N_{EV} + N_{DR})$
DER Max Energy	$E_{max,DER,t}$	$T * (N_{EV} + N_{DR})$
DER Min Energy	$E_{min,DER,t}$	$T * (N_{EV} + N_{DR})$
EV Energy Connectivity Change	$\Delta E_{conn,EV,t}$	$T * N_{EV}$
DR Environmental Loss Parameter	$\alpha_{DR,t}$	$T * N_{DR}$
DR Inefficiency Parameter	$\beta_{DR,t}$	$T * N_{DR}$

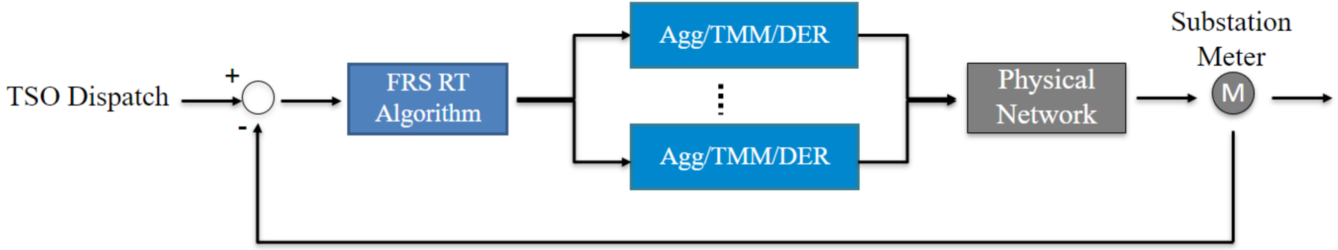
Table 1: Random variables and the number of instances

- Potentially large number of scenarios

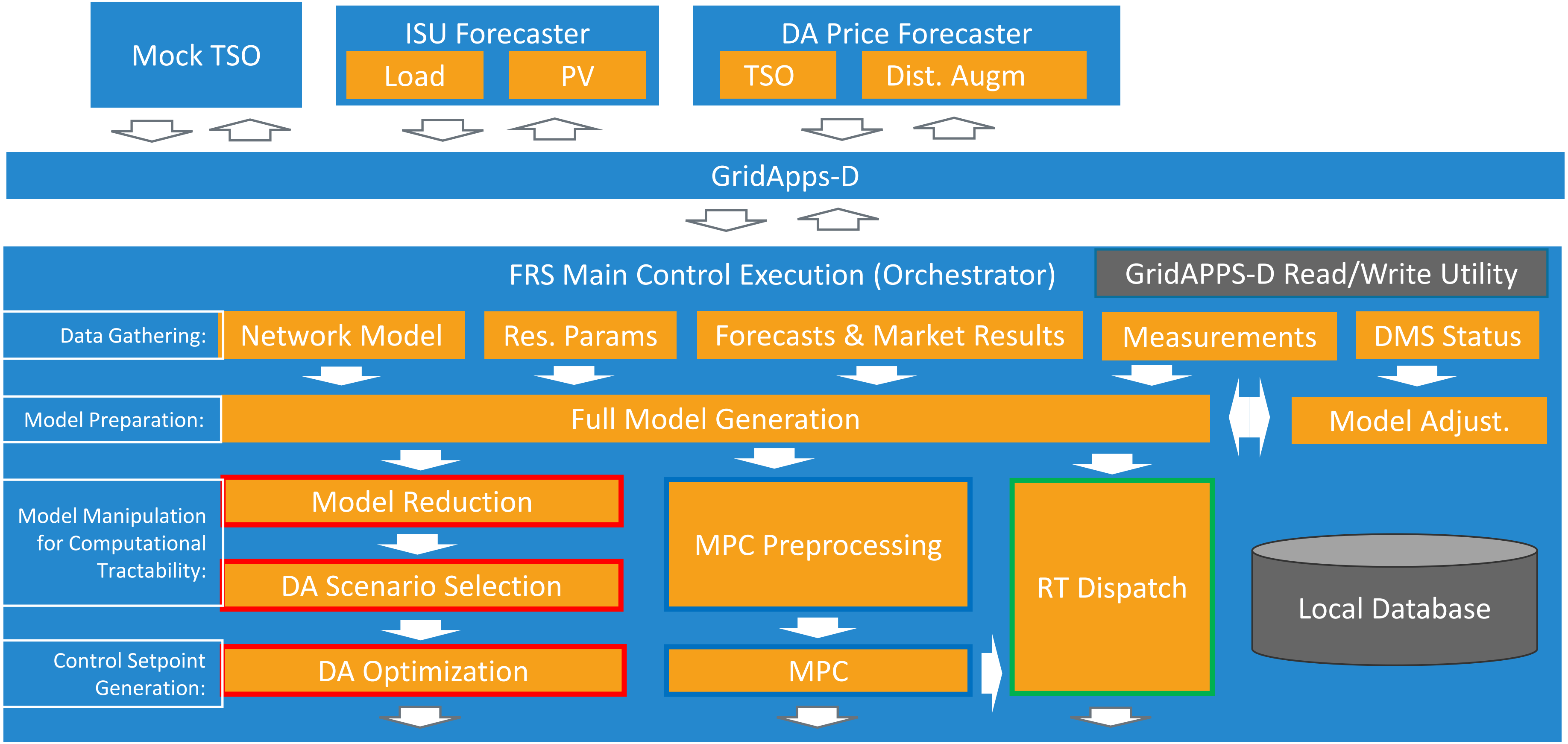
Intra-Hour MPC and Real-Time Control

- Intra-hour MPC
  - Objective: substation power setpoint deviation + regularization on battery and reserve
  - Approach: deterministic optimization with additional reserve requirement

- Real-time control
  - Simplicity is key: FRS intends to primarily provide one-way communications in real time to DERs and aggregations
  - Dispatch signal from TSO disaggregated based on allocation outcomes in MPC



FRS Software Modules



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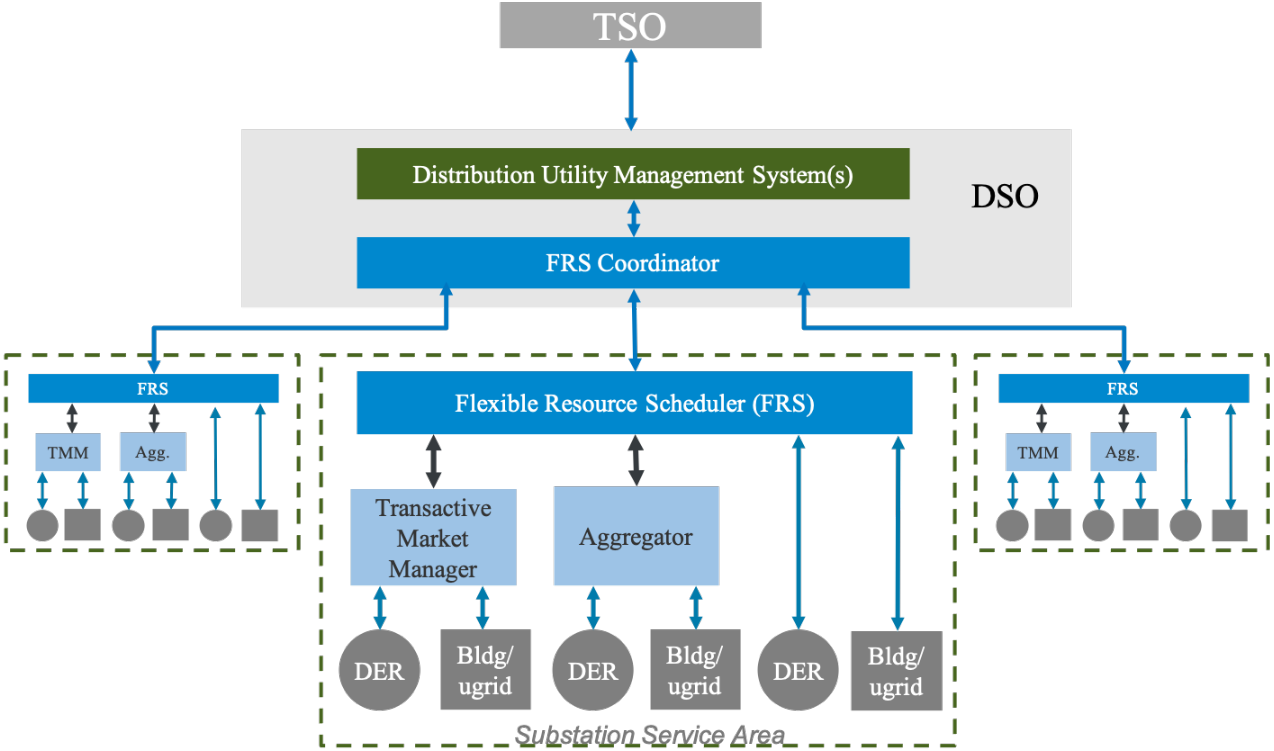

1. Architecture
2. Control and optimization
3. Quantify flexibility
4. Anomaly detection and adaptive control
5. Transactive control architecture
6. Communications architecture
7. Implementation
8. Demonstration

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