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# Sensor Placement for NASPI 2024

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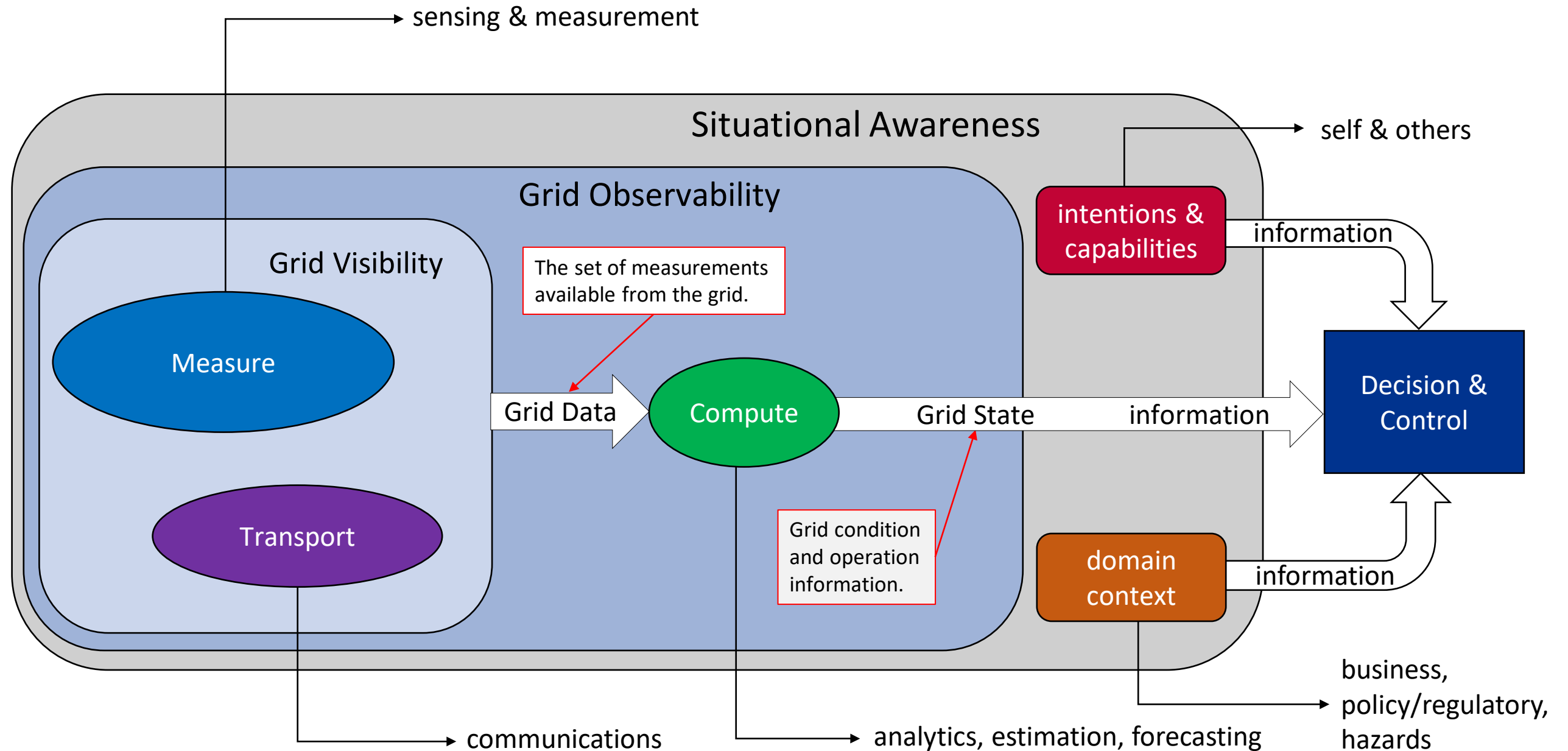
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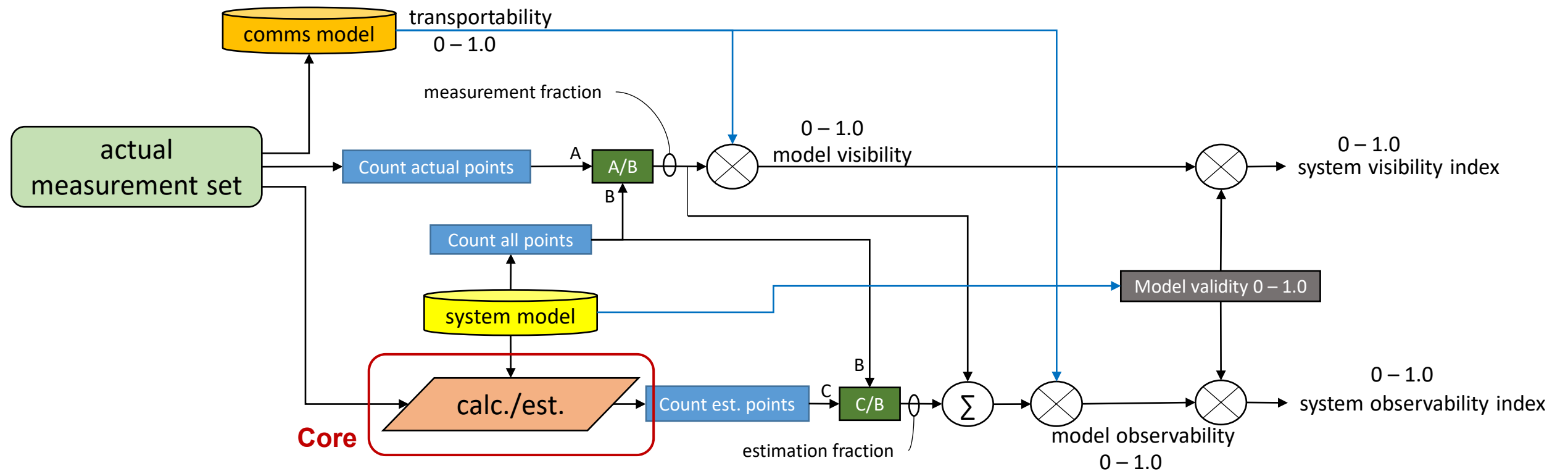


# Visibility, Observability, and Situational Awareness



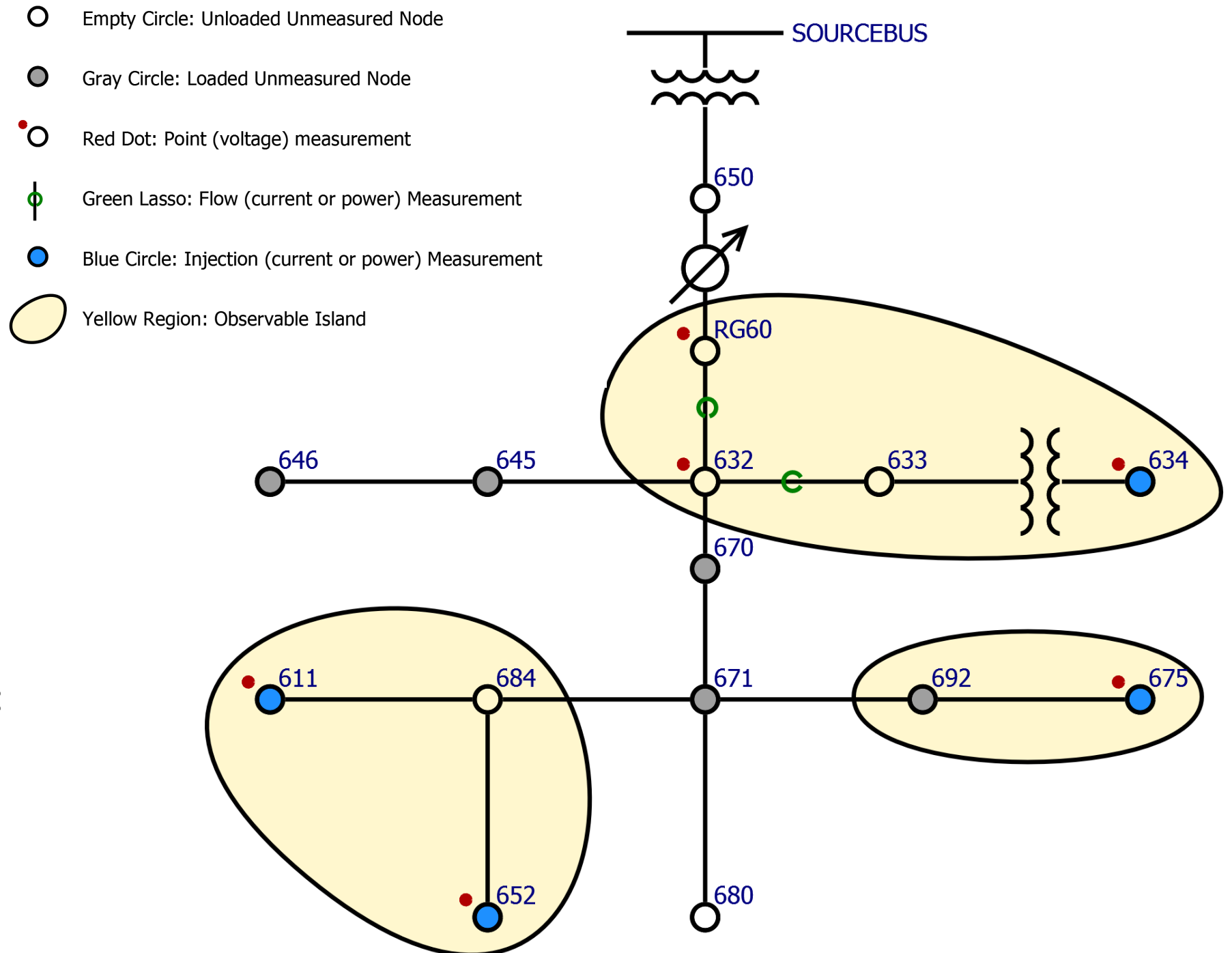
# Evaluating Grid Visibility and Observability

- Apply to all or any part of a grid
- For all elements:
  - % of all possible measurements that are actually measured (measurement fraction)
  - modify measurement fraction by transportability (ability to deliver the data) → visibility
  - % of all unmeasured values that can be estimated from measurements (estimation fraction)
  - sum of modified % measured and % estimated but not measured → observability
  - apply model validity as global correction factor

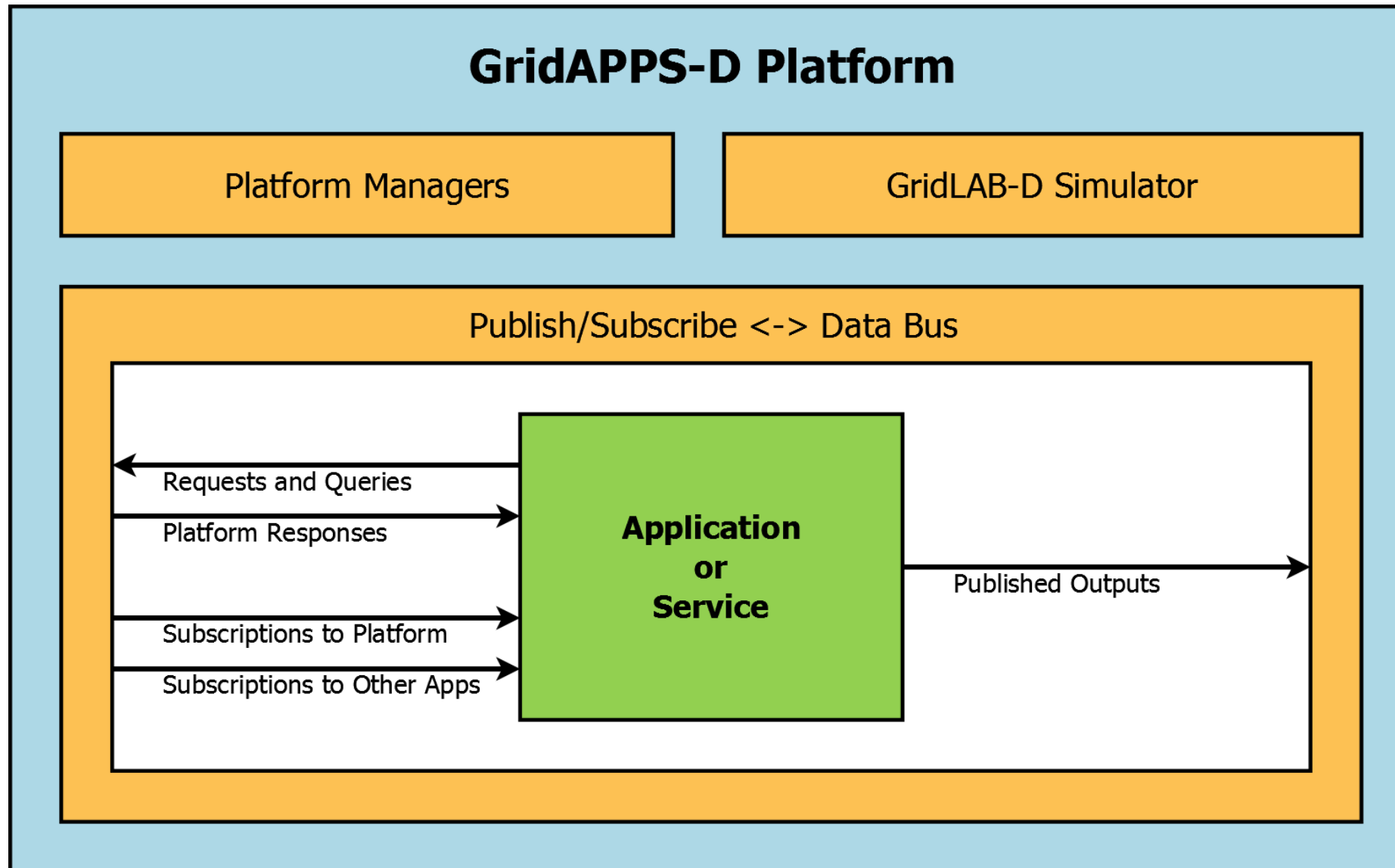


# IEEE 13-Bus Example

- Measurements:
  - 6 Point
  - 2 Flow
  - 4 Injection
- System Visibility Index:
  - **0.2374**
- System Observability Index:
  - **0.3957**



# Observability Application for GridAPPS-D



# Exploring Observability Scenarios

## Observability Calculator

Parameters Indices Sensor Library Strategies Optimal Sensor Placement Compare

### Functional Sensors

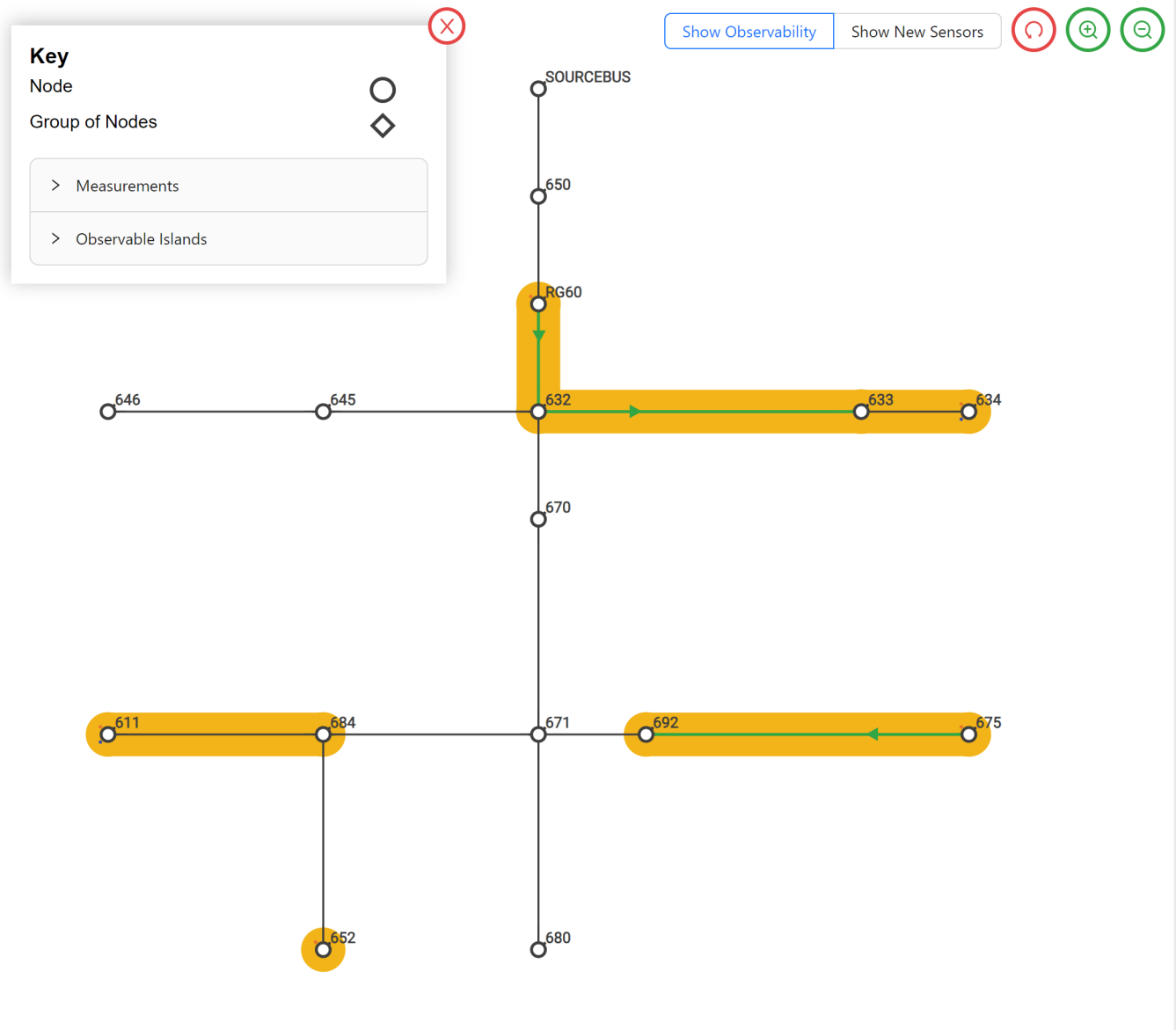
Name	V	I	PQ	Cost
Line Sensor - Voltage Magnitude	✓			\$1
Line Sensor - Current Magnitude		✓		\$1
Line Sensor - Combined Voltage and Current	✓	✓		\$1
Line Sensor - PMU				\$1
Meter - Power			✓	\$1
Meter - Voltage and Power	✓		✓	\$1
Meter - Power Quality			✓	\$1

### User Defined Sensors

Name	V	I	PQ	Cost	Actions
Test Sensor	✓			\$1	
Test New Sensor	✓	✓		\$1	

### Itemized Sensor Cost

Sensor Name	Sensor Quantity	Total Cost
Meter - Voltage and Power	1	\$1
Line Sensor - Current Magnitude	3	\$3
Meter - Power Quality	3	\$3
Line Sensor - Voltage Magnitude	1	\$1



## Observability Calculator

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### Compare Scenarios

Select Baseline Scenario:

10/7/2024, 9:46:00 PM

Select Compare Scenario:

Small Model Demo 2

Reset

### Rename a Run Scenario

Select Scenario to Rename:

Select

### View Compared Indices

Field	Baseline Scenario	Compare Scenario
Sensor Count	14	22
System Visibility Index	0.2128	0.3191
System Observability Index	0.4468	0.6596

Exit

Export Image

Export JSON

Save

Calc

### Key

Node



Group of Nodes

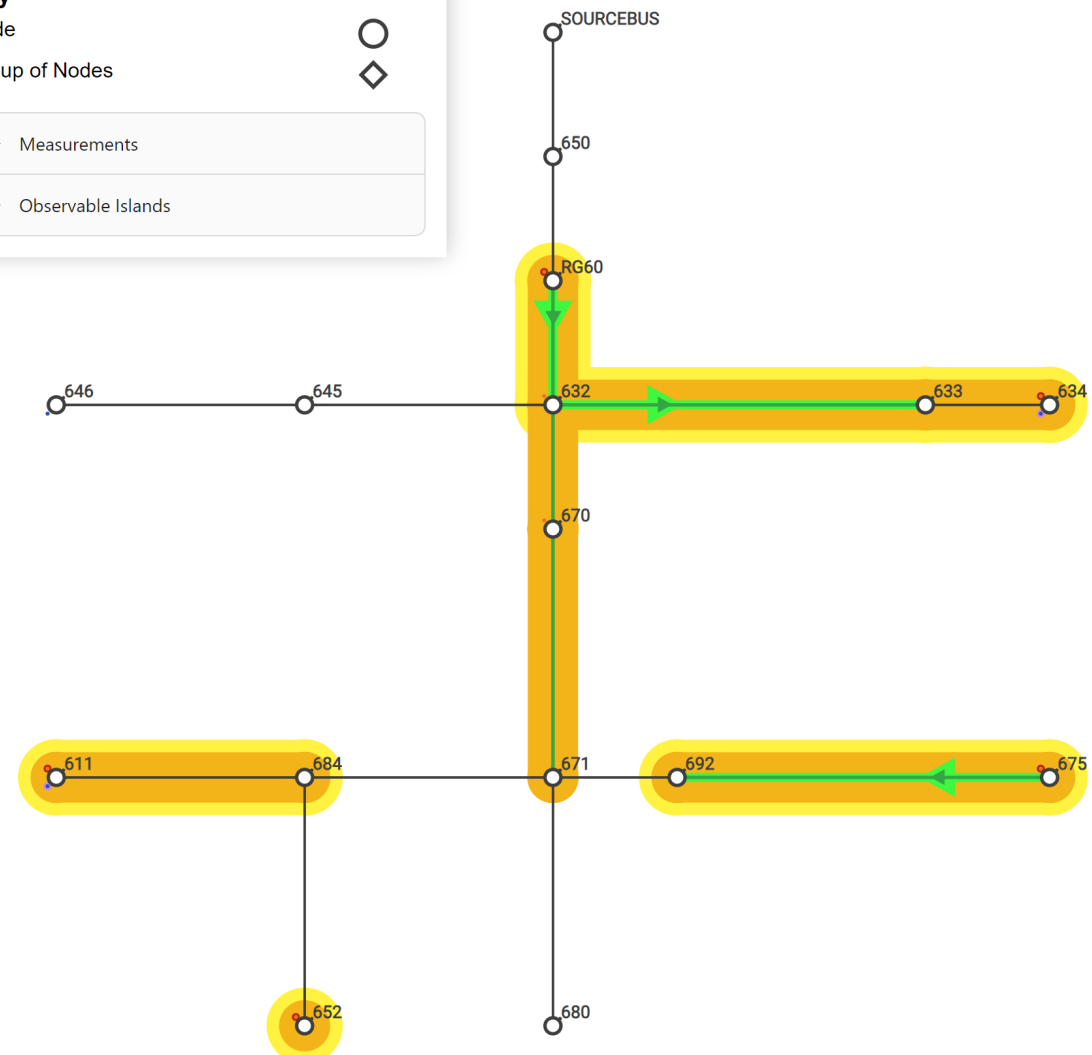


> Measurements

> Observable Islands

Show Observability

Show New Sensors



# Optimal Sensor Placement

$$\min_{x,y,\varphi} \left( \sum_{i \in V} c_i x_i + \sum_{(i,j) \in E} c_e y_{(i,j)} - c_p \varphi \right)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad x_i + \sum_{(i,j)} y_{(i,j)} \leq d_i$$

$$\sum_i x_i + \sum_{(i,j)} y_{(i,j)} \geq \varphi$$

$$\sum_i c_i x_i + \sum_{(i,j)} c_e y_{(i,j)} \leq \bar{c}$$

$$0 \leq \varphi \leq A^r$$

$$0 \leq x_i \leq 1$$

$$0 \leq y_{(i,j)} \leq 1$$

Group of Nodes

**Additional Sensors for Full Observability** ⓘ

Cheapest sensor to extend observability for the selected load flow is:

SENSOR TITLE	New Test Sensor
SENSOR TYPE	User Defined
SENSOR COST	\$1.00

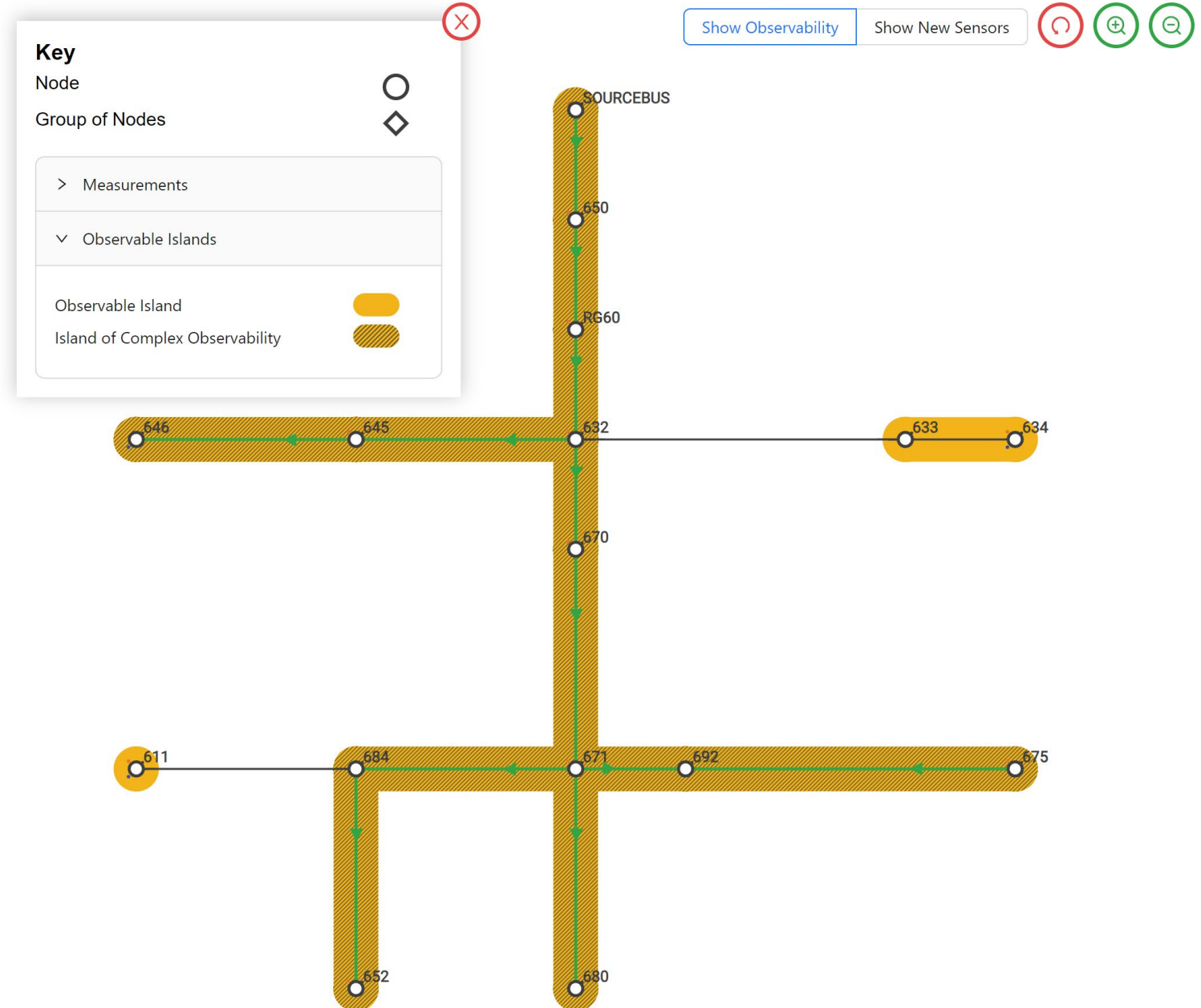
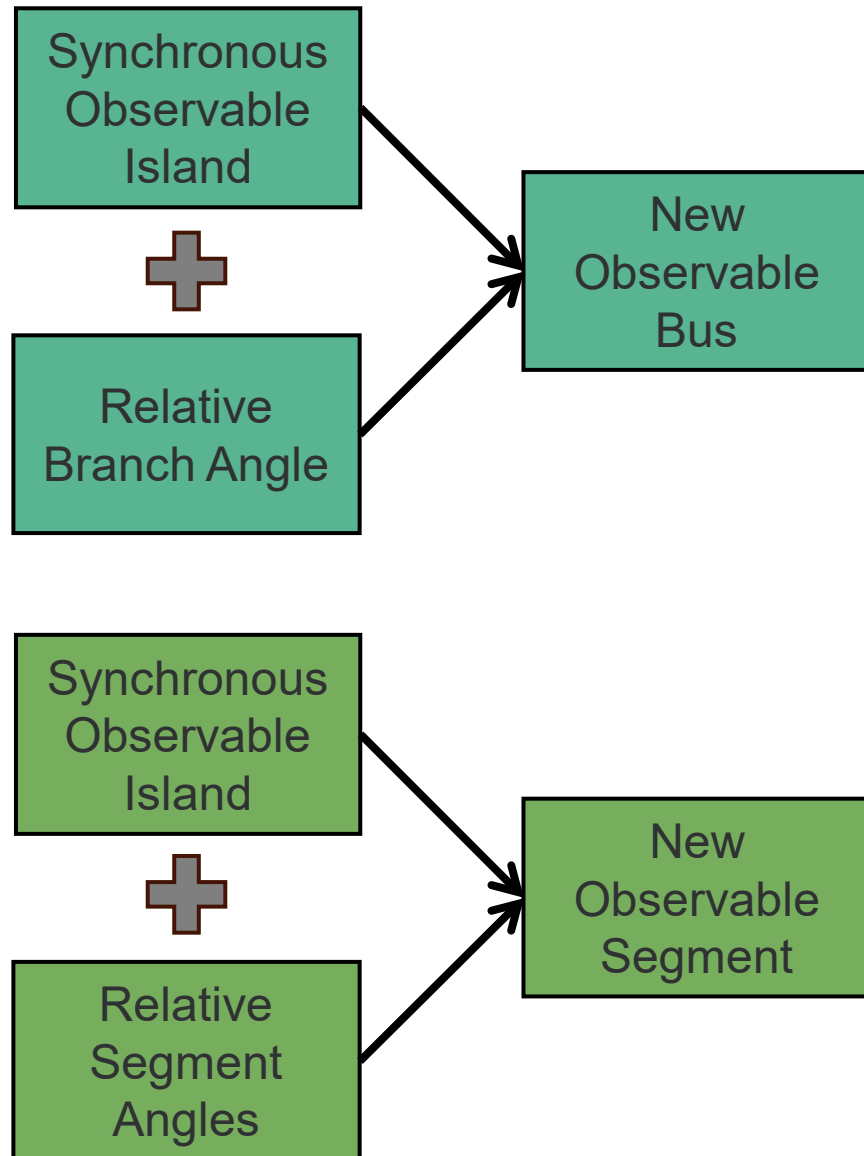
Sensors to be added:

Sensor Location	Sensor to Add	Sensor Price
Branch from 671 to 692	New Test Sensor	\$1.00
Branch from 684 to 652	New Test Sensor	\$1.00
Branch from 671 to 684	New Test Sensor	\$1.00

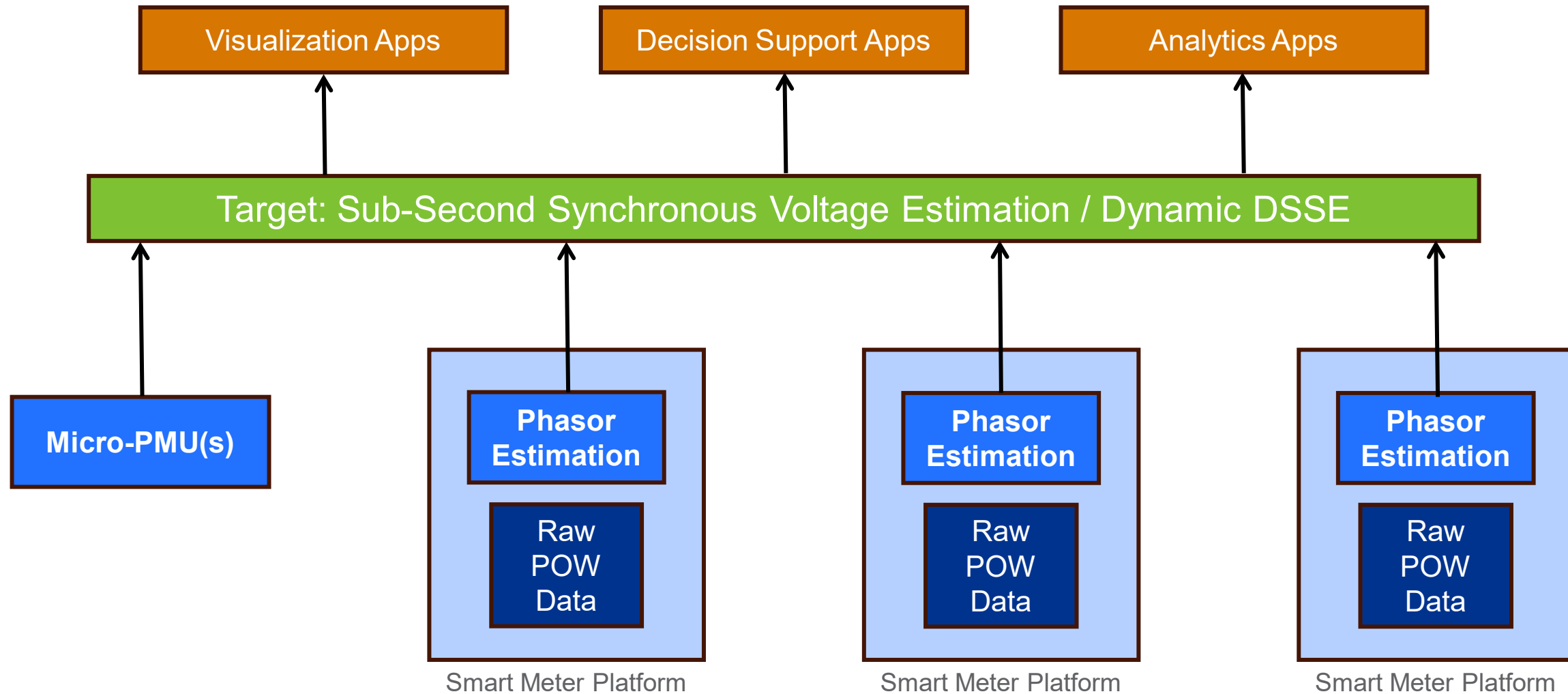
Cancel
Modify Sensors
Apply



# Islands with Synchronous Angle Observability



# FY25 – Distributed Synchronous Observability





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**Thank you**

