



PI System for Critical Operations

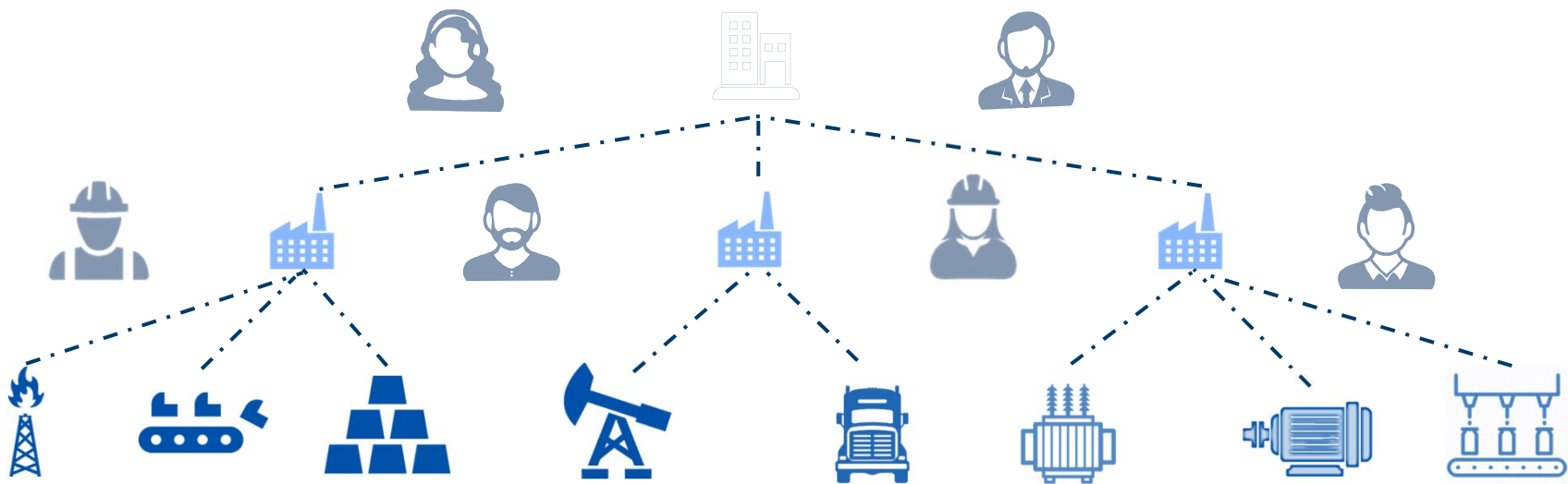
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Seamless Infrastructure



The PI System: Enhance & Deliver for Operations

- The System of Record
- Empowering operational experts



Keeping the PI System Secure & Reliable

- Complex architecture
- Multiple unique projects
- 3rd party applications
- Monthly patching/reboots
- Exhaustive testing & validation



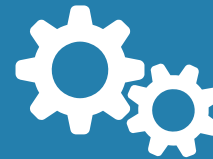
Focus Areas

Harden
the core



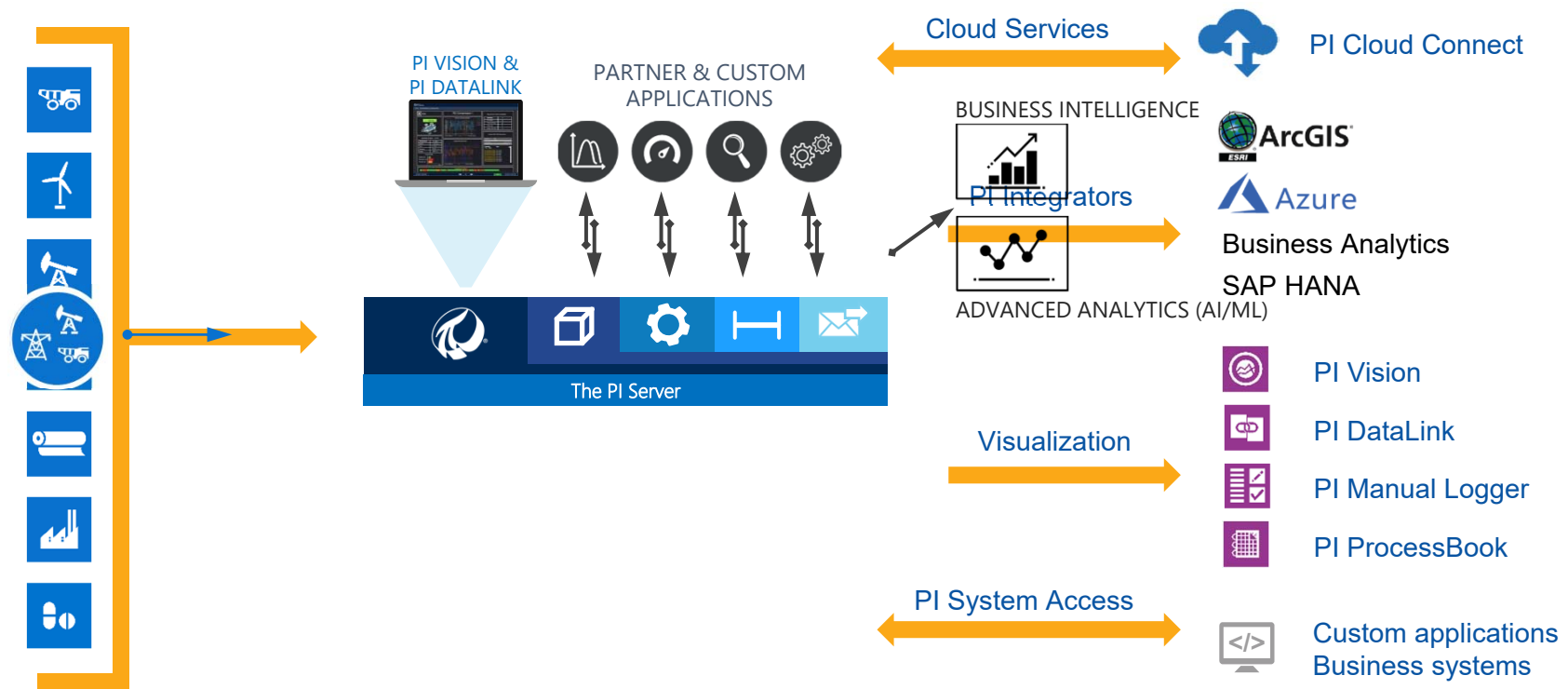
Focus on **security & reliability** of data infrastructure

Ease
the management



Bring more **manageability & control** to deployments

PI System



Data is Everywhere



Times-series
data stored and
available forever



Storage schema
optimized for
maximum
throughput

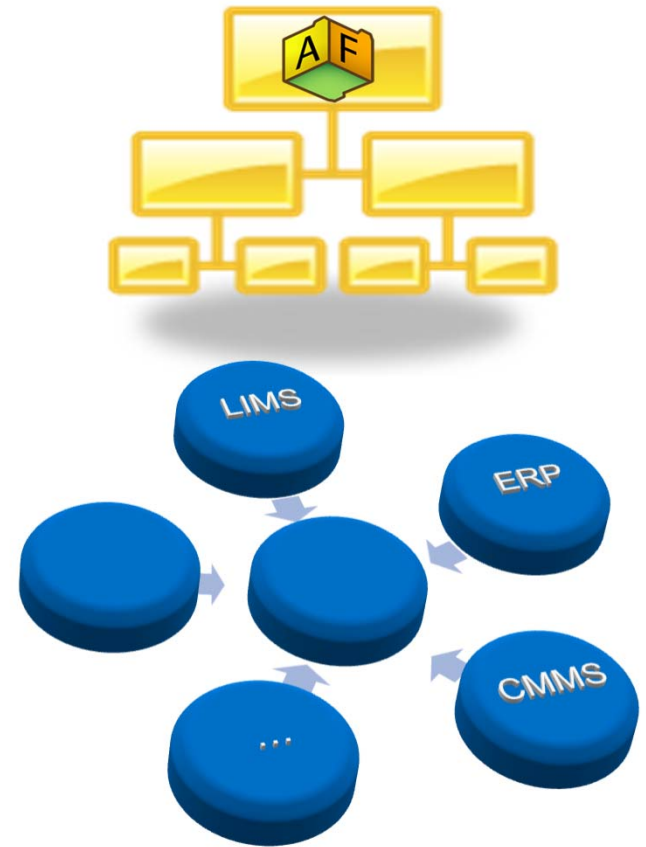


Millions of data
streams
supported per
instance

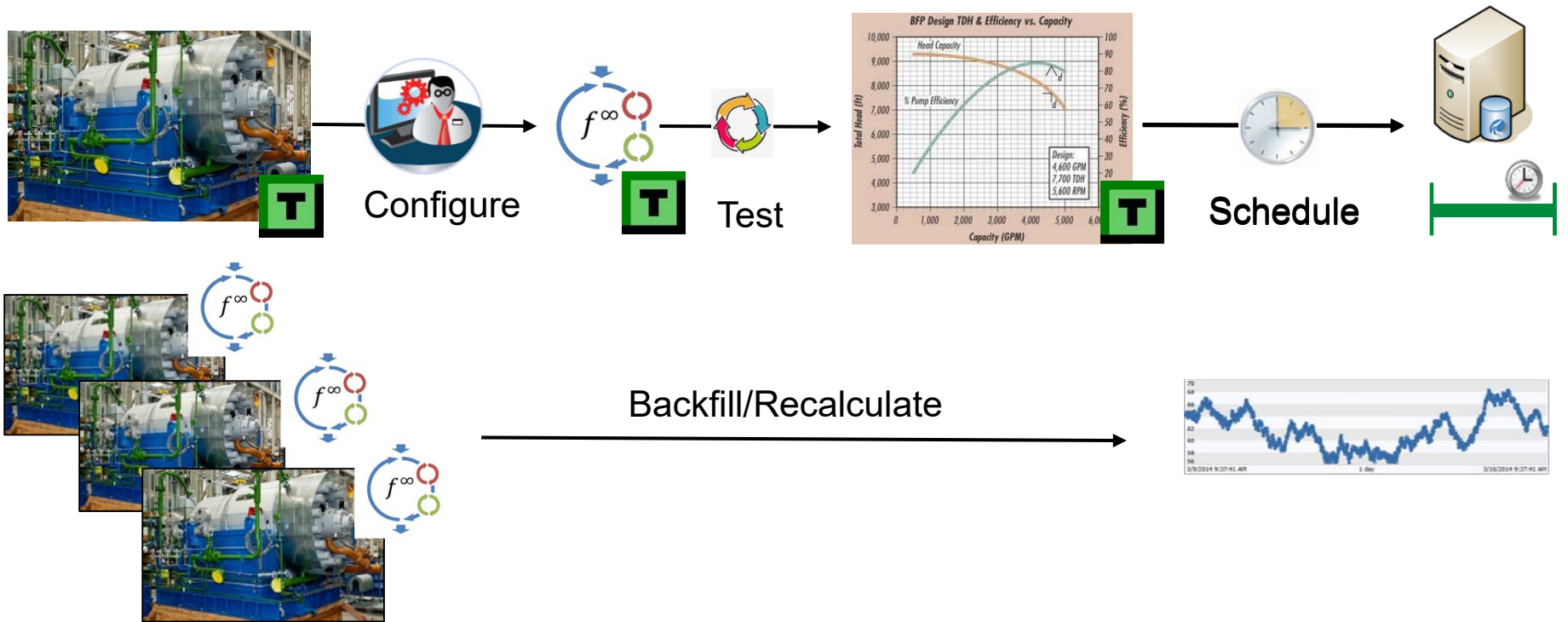
All of this with minimal maintenance needs

Asset Context

- Organize your assets data in a hierarchical, scalable, secure, and extensible database
- Model data from different PI Servers
- Relate non time-series data sources
- Integrate with analyses and notifications tools



Streaming Analytics

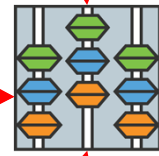


Solve Meaningful Problems



Recalculation

Context



Capture important events



Data quality, data cleansing



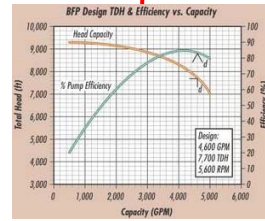
Situational Awareness



Notifications



KPI and Reports

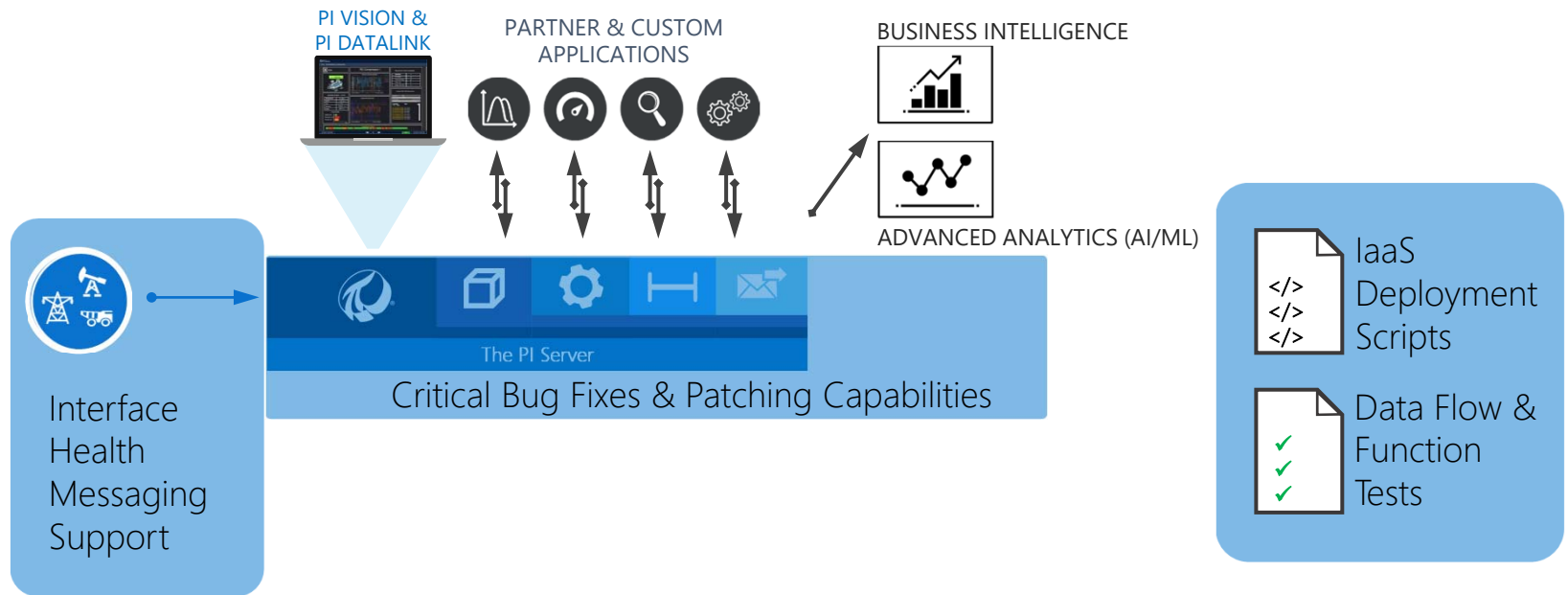


Engineering

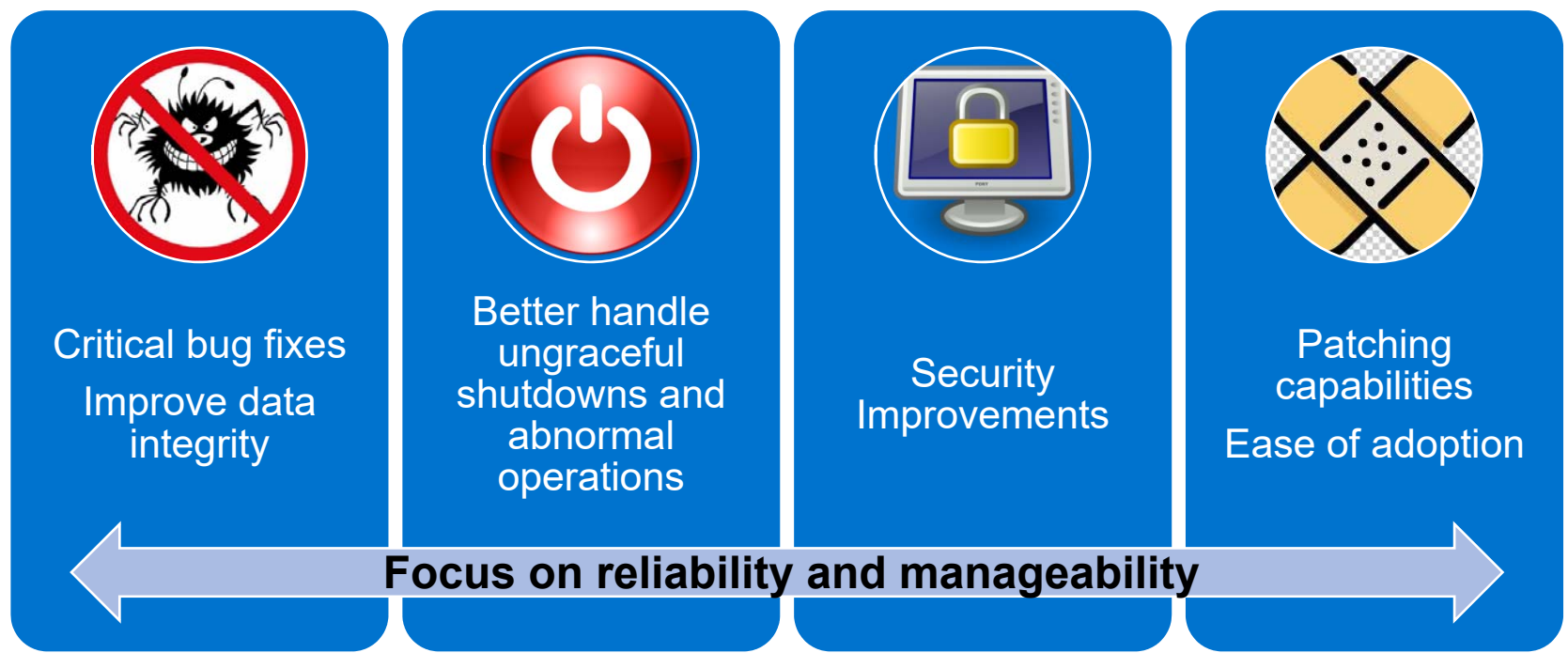


Domain Expertise

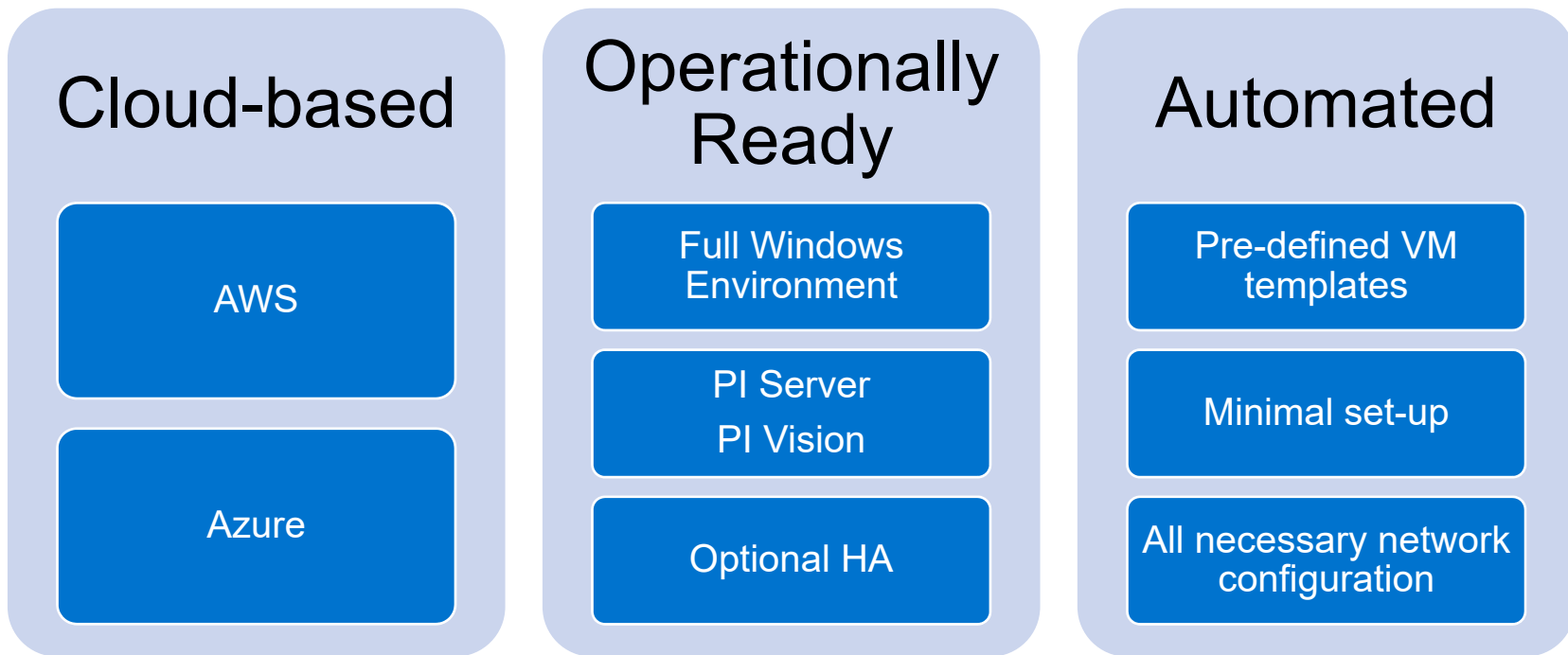
PI Server 2018 SP2



PI Server 2018 SP3+



PI System Deployment Samples



Portland General Electric



Diverse generation mix

16 major generation plants providing a cleaner energy future

First in the nation to transmit electricity long distance 14 miles (1889)

PGE is Oregon's largest utility

We have the #1 voluntary renewable program in the country

We lead Oregon and our customers to a clean energy future

Our generation facility portfolio has a capacity of 3,837 MW

Recently joined California ISO EIM

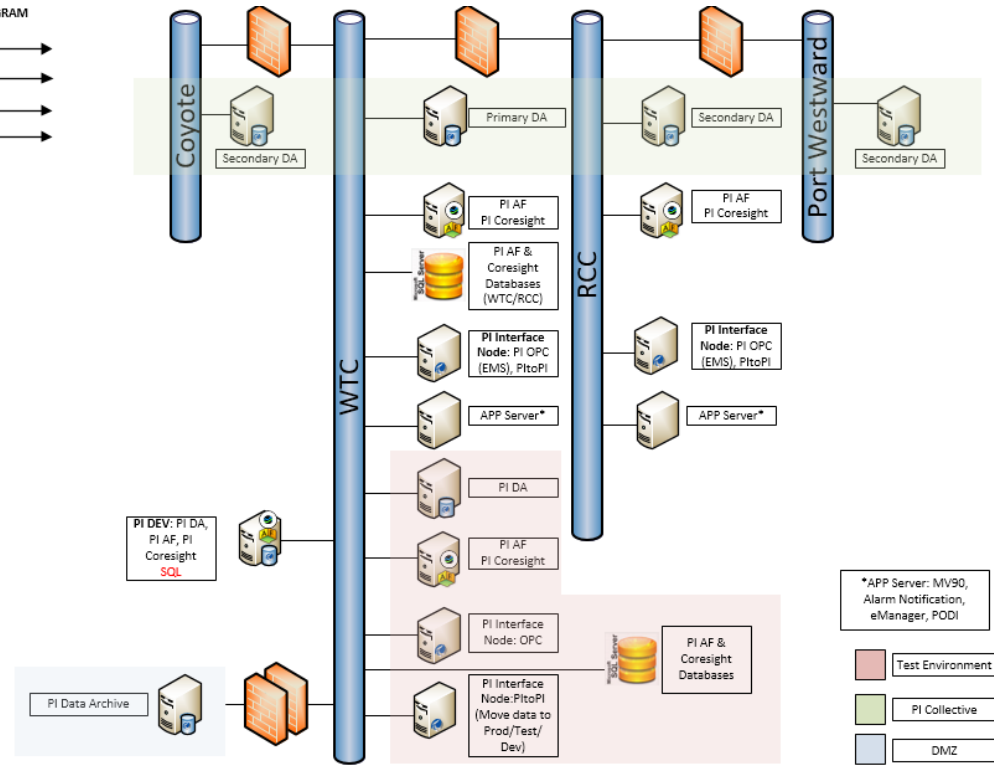
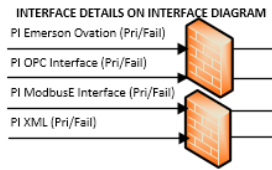


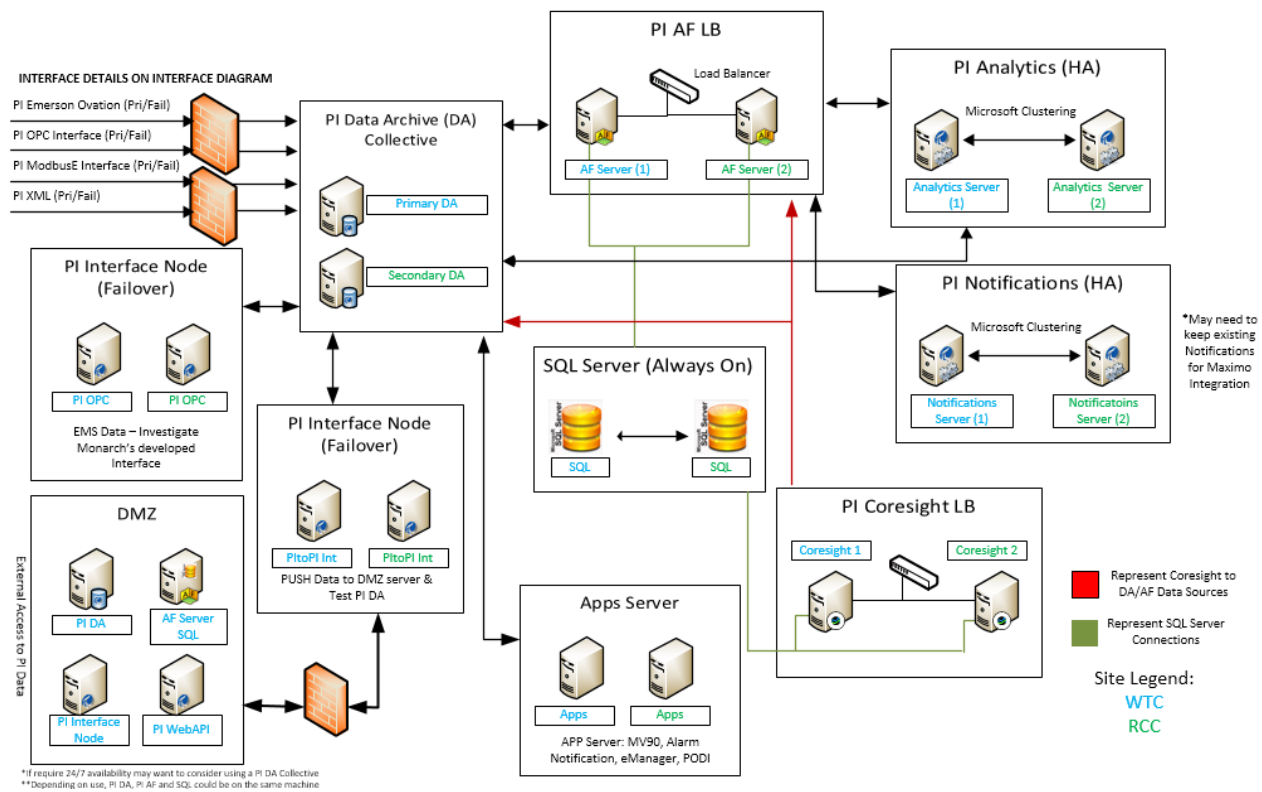


Our PI System Architecture Journey

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Business Use Cases

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Wind Forecasts R/W

CHALLENGES

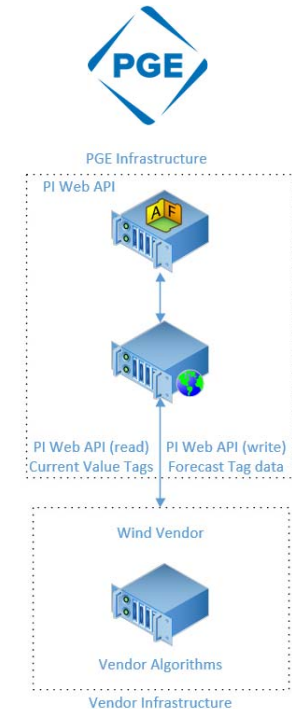
- Implement a secure method of two-way data exchange with our wind vendors
- Sharing files via traditional SFTP introduced latency

SOLUTION

- Create an AF Hierarchy in the vendor DMZ
- Expose PI Web API for Whitelisted IPs
- GET and POST for Read and Write

BENEFITS

- Substantial reduction of lag and improved accuracy of the forecast
- Configuration based rather than custom development saves time and money



It's important to reduce the lag between actuals and the forecasts we send to CAISO so that the DOTs we receive from CAISO most closely follow our wind generation. The PI Web API solution substantially reduces our lag and improves the accuracy of our forecast.



Charles Phillips, Meteorologist, PGE

Hydro Regulatory Reporting



2015

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To **DOWNLOAD** PI Data
And **REFRESH** Pivot Tables



2018

Name	Expression
Start triggers	
StartTrigger	'Breaker Status' = "OPEN"
End trigger	
EndTrigger	'Breaker Status' = "CLOSED"

Name	Duration
Breaker Downtime 2019-09-10 13:24:01.918	0:06:55.96
Breaker Downtime 2019-09-10 13:24:11.314	0:06:46.464
Breaker Downtime 2019-09-10 13:24:11.314	0:06:46.464
Breaker Downtime 2019-09-10 13:24:22.697	0:06:35.081
Breaker Downtime 2019-09-10 13:50:24.407	0:02:03.458

CHALLENGES

- Timely regulatory reporting needs for Hydro Projects Breaker Cycling
- Existing solution cumbersome and time consuming, needed lot of manual work

SOLUTION

- Create an AF Hierarchy and setup Event Frames to capture Breaker Cycling events
- Setup a lightweight report in Excel that pulls the Event Frames

BENEFITS

- Time savings of at least 24 labor hours every month
- Accurate regulatory reporting needing lesser manual intervention
- Cost savings



About 5 years ago we started retrieving Breaker Open/Closed Status dates/times through the “raw” PI Data application Excel add-in. The Excel file was over 45 MB requiring over a minute to load the file and over 2 minutes to refresh the data. About 2 years ago we transitioned to PI Event Frames. This new method has considerably reduced the size of the Excel file with load and refresh times of less than 15 seconds. This has saved the Operators at the Hydro Projects about a 12 hours per project per month of verification & entry.



Ed Pinkos, Sr. Financial and Contract Administrator, PGE

PI Server – Roadmap



Developing Now

Improved Reliability

Focusing on bug fixes and quality updates.

Security Improvements

Lockstep with industry best practices

More Control over Upgrades and Deployments

Providing ways for system administrators to keep their PI System current on fixes for critical bugs and security vulnerabilities, without requiring additional resources.



Considering Next

Support for Modern Authentication

Alternatives beyond Active Directory



Researching Future

Manageability

Management of the configuration, deployment and maintenance of large number of PI System components

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