



# **Data-Distribution Service (DDS) – the IIoT Connectivity Standard**

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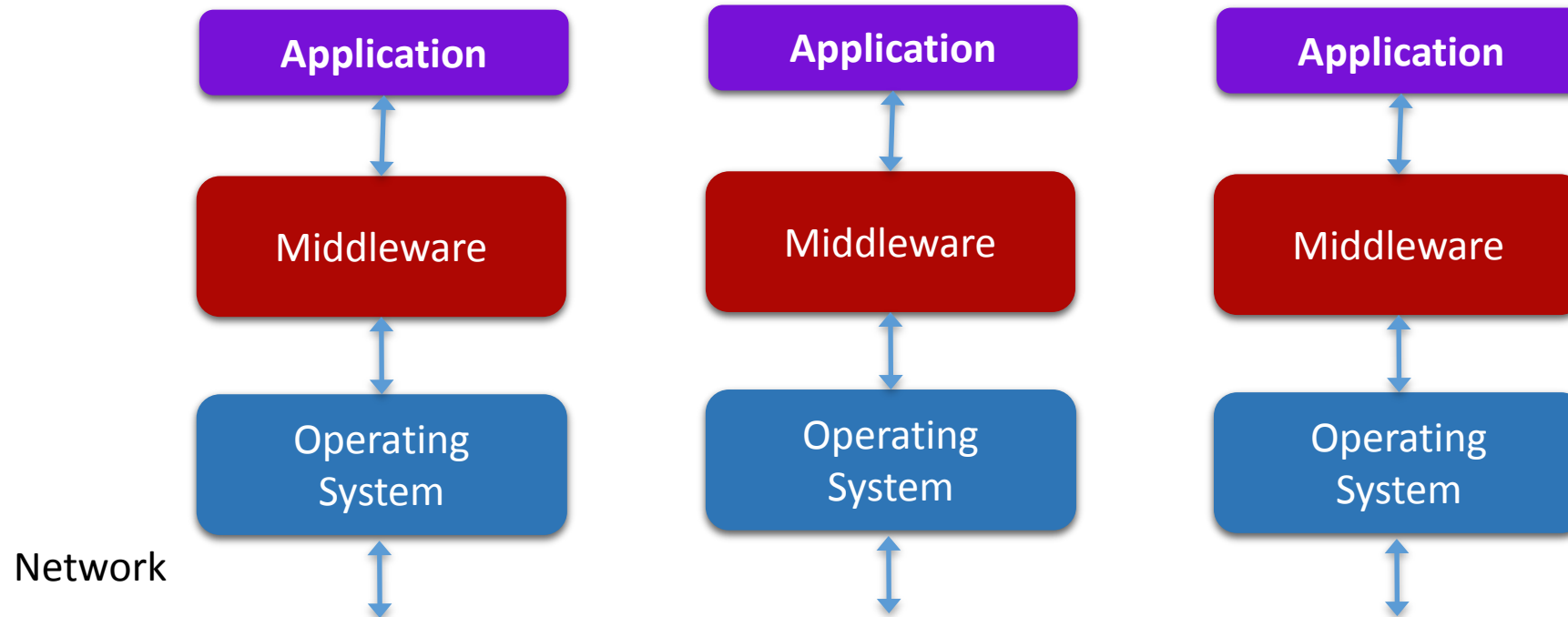
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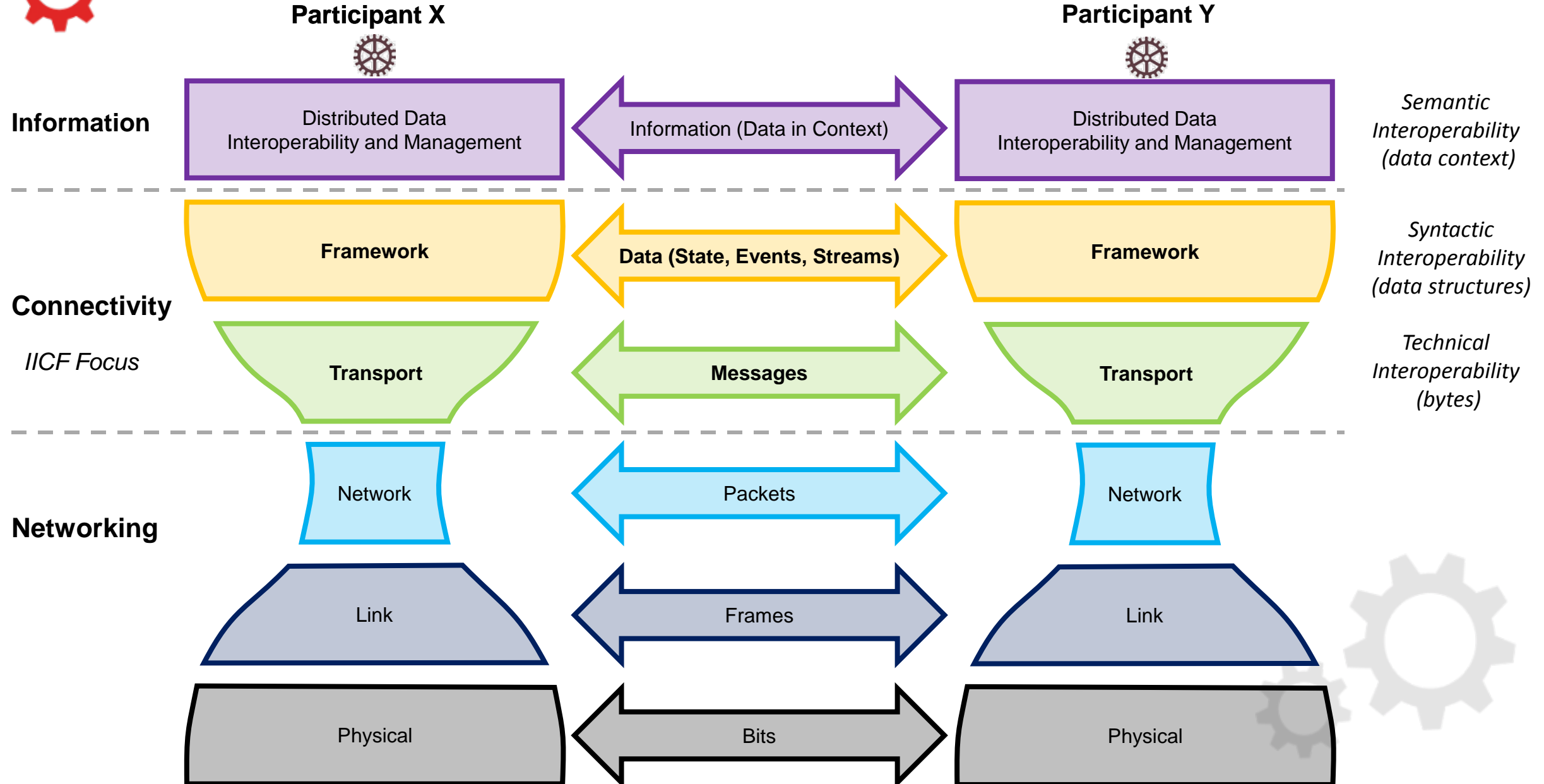
- Understanding Connectivity
- Understanding DDS
- Solving IIOT Problems with DDS

# Using Connectivity Middleware for Application Development



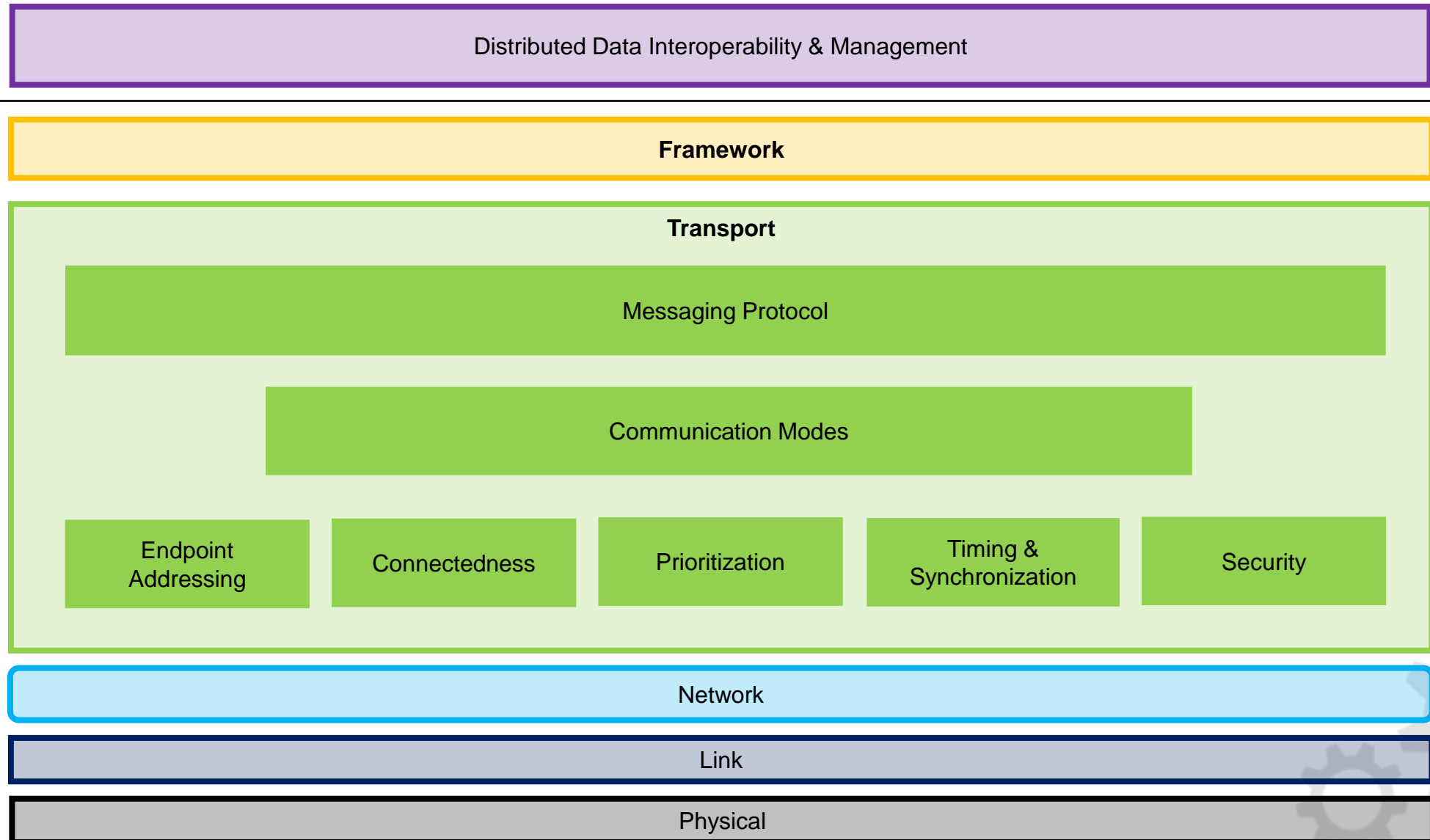


# IIoT Connectivity Stack Model





# Connectivity Transport Layer



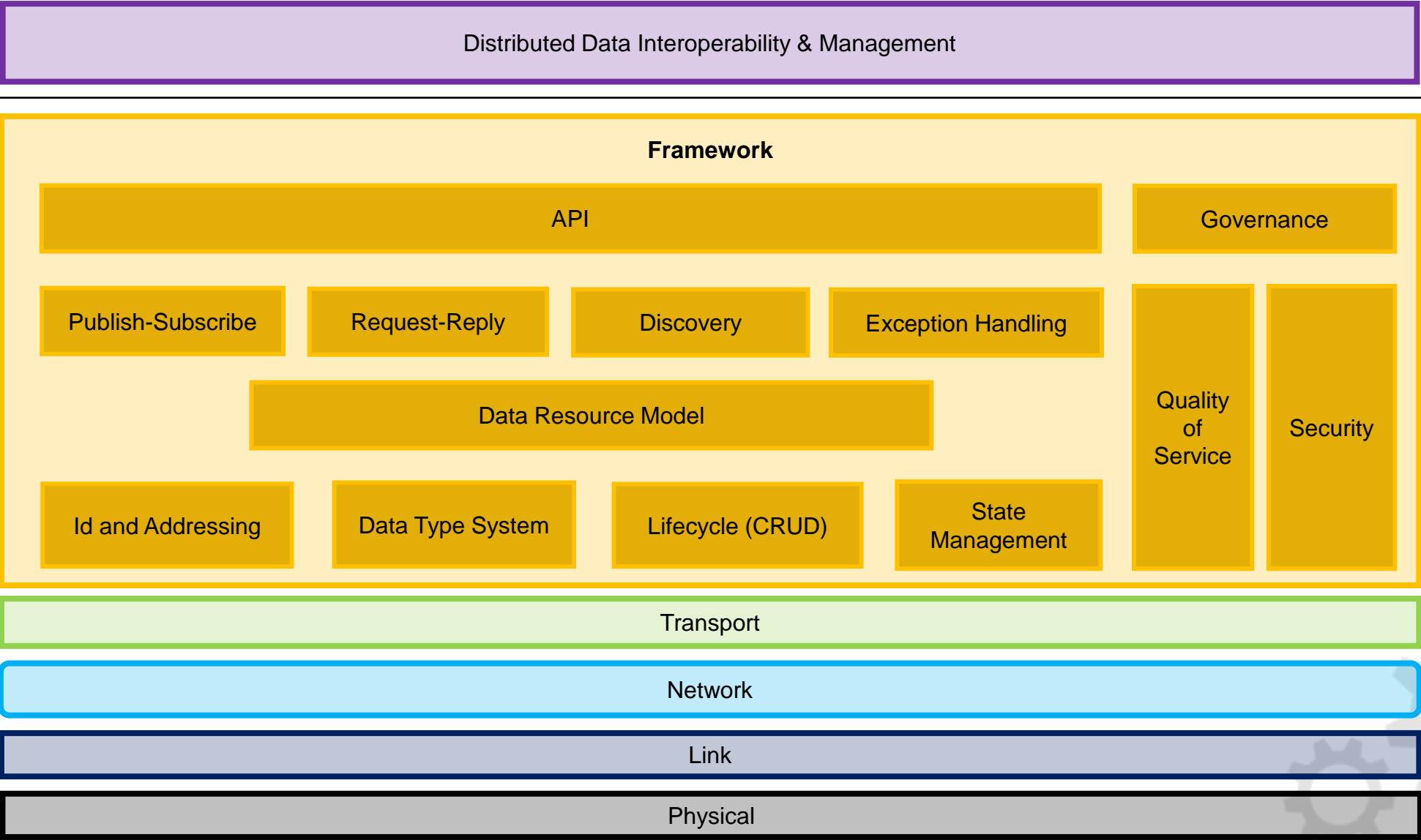
Connectivity  
Transport  
Functions

*Technical  
Interoperability*

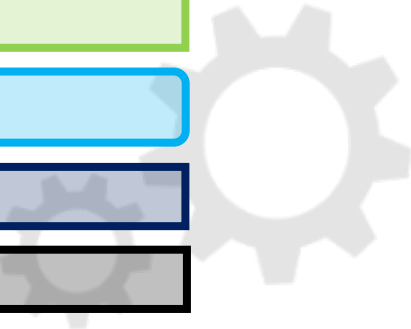




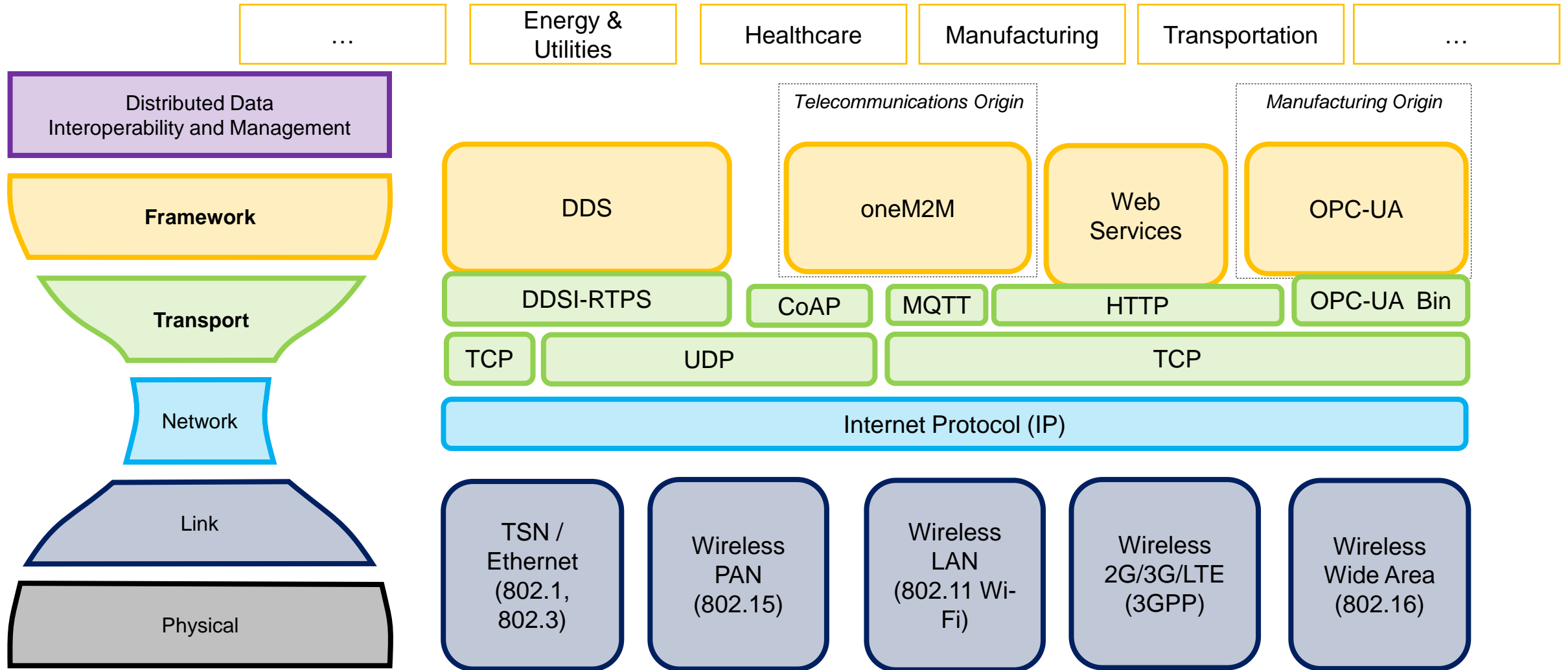
# Connectivity Framework Layer



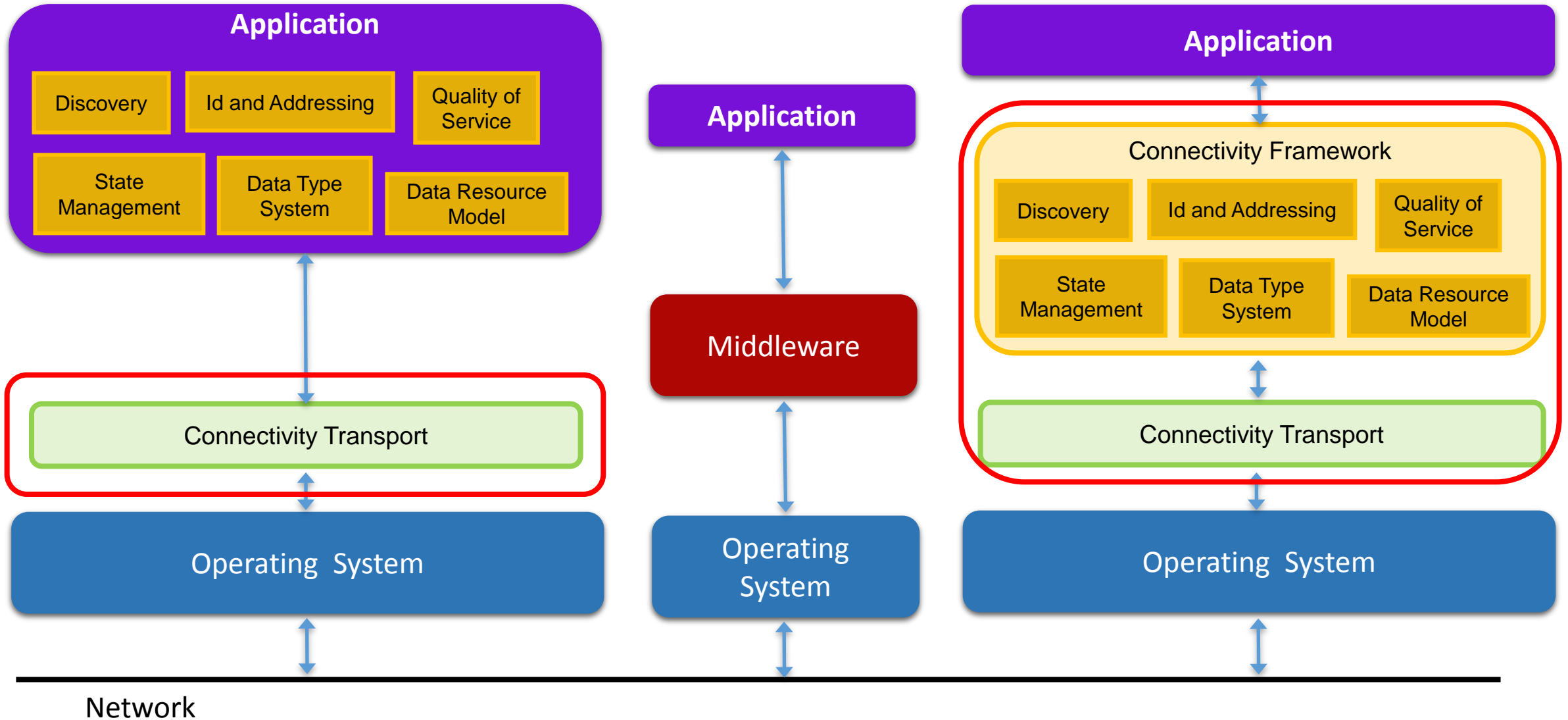
*Syntactic Interoperability*



# Connectivity Standards



# Complexity of the Application Code





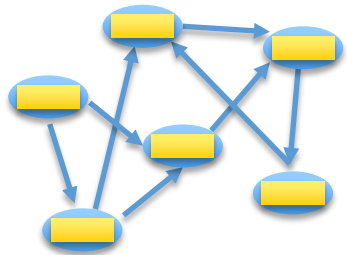


# Understanding the DDS Connectivity Framework

Powerful abstractions to build  
highly modular, robust, and  
secure real-world systems

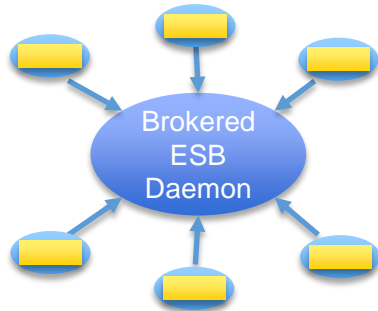
# DDS is Different!

Point-to-Point



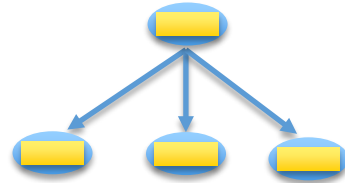
TCP  
Sockets

Client/Server



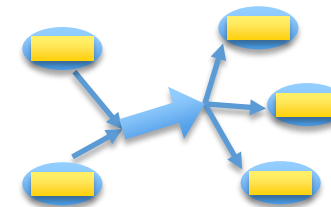
MQTT  
XMPP  
OPC  
CORBA

Publish/Subscribe



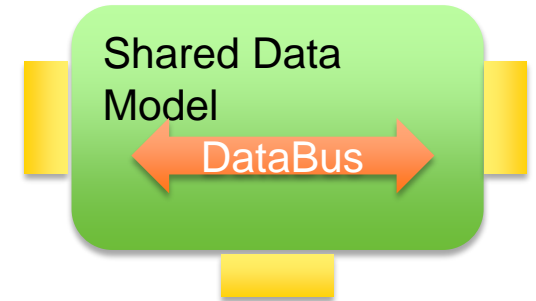
Fieldbus  
CANbus  
ZeroMQ  
JMS

Queuing



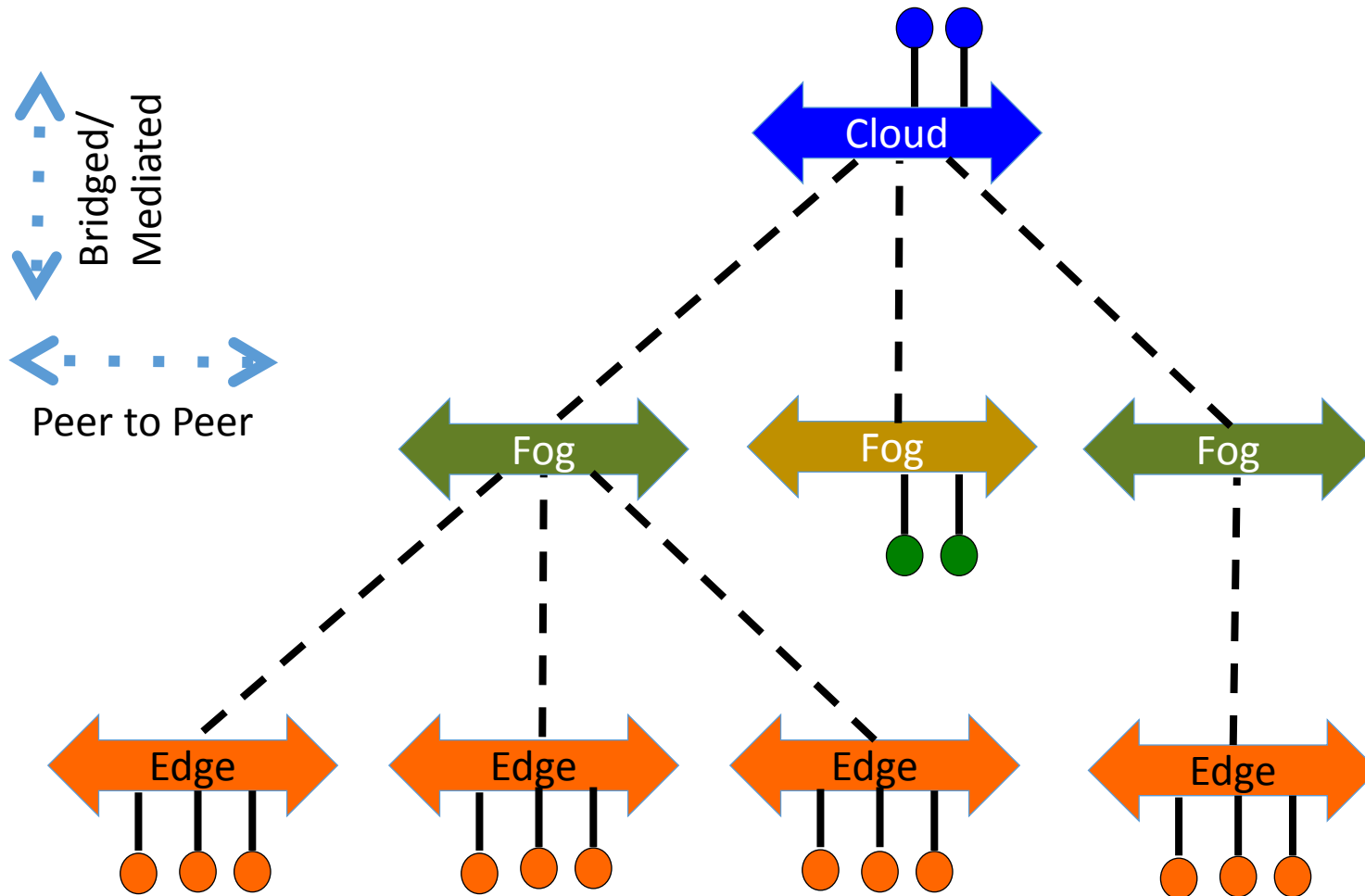
AMQP  
Active MQ

Data-Centric



DDS

# Layered Databus Architecture



- **Cloud:**

- Datacenter
- Elasticity, Provisioning, Management, Analytics

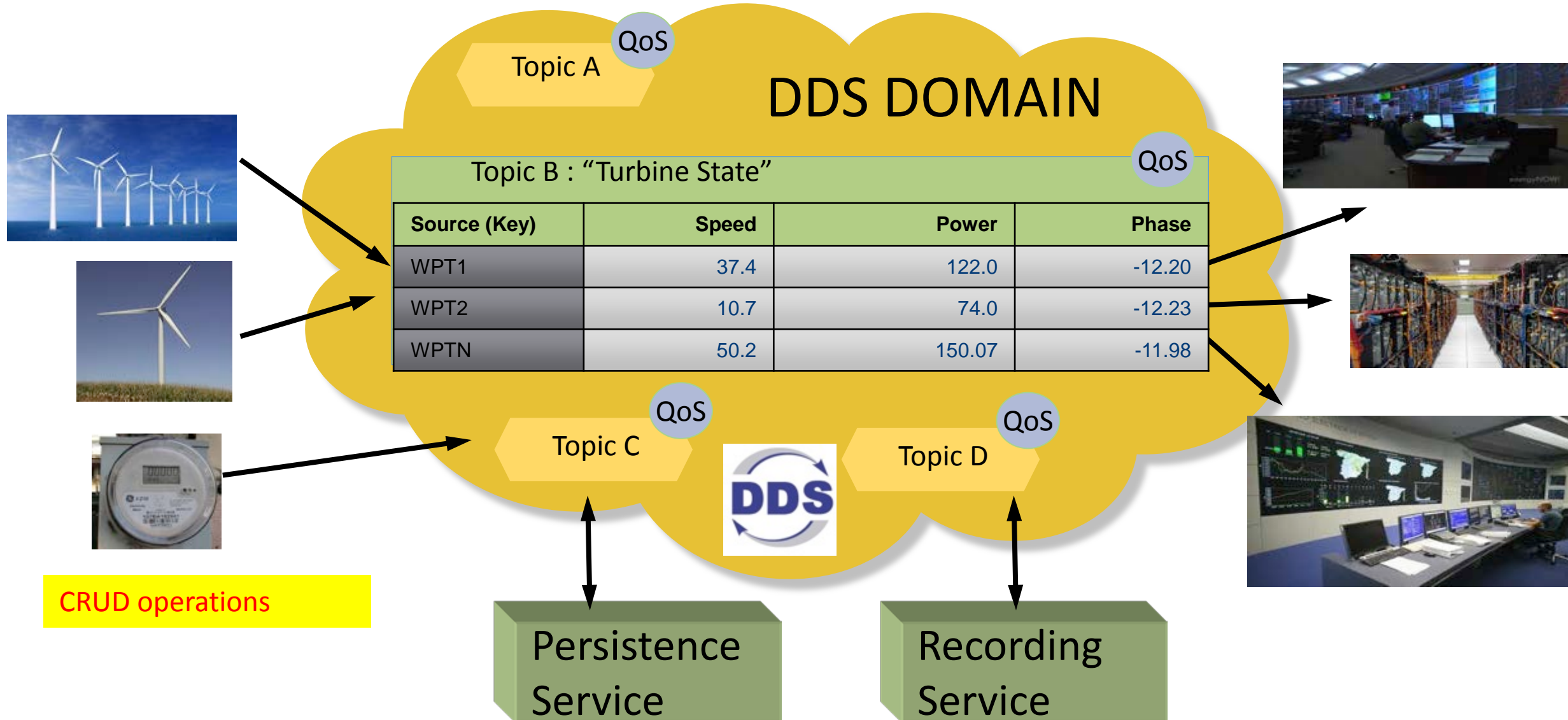
- **Fog:**

- Distributed computing
- Processing “close to the edge”
- Latency, Robustness, availability

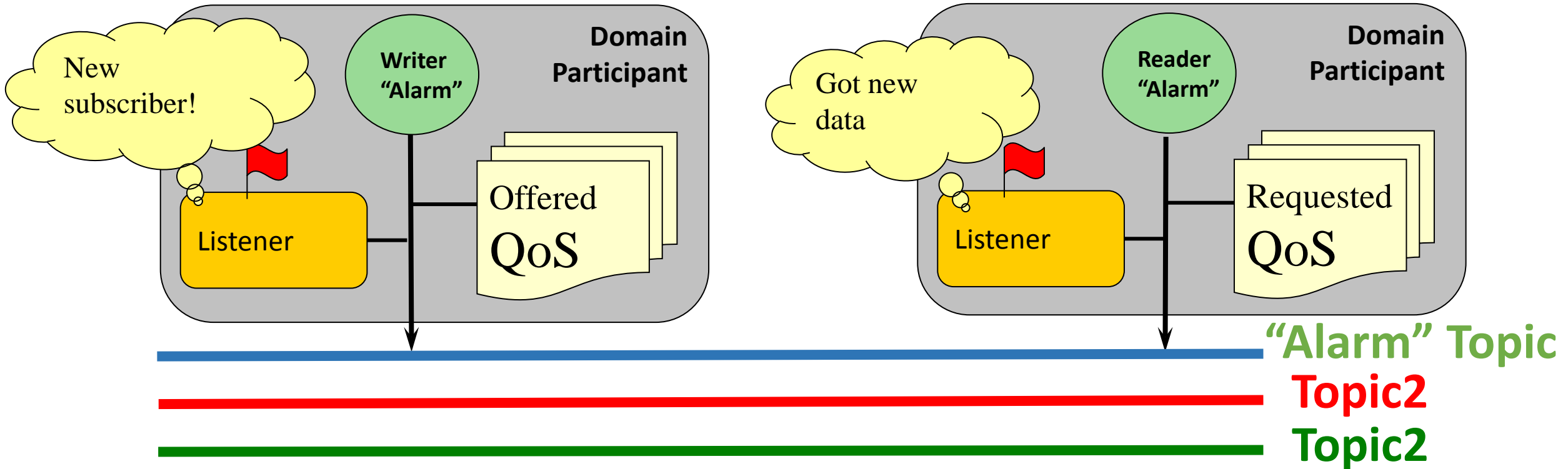
- **Edge:**

- Locality
- Information Scoping

# DDS Model: Virtual Global Data Space



# Data-Centric Communications Model



- **Participants** scope the global data space (domain)
- **Topics** define the data-objects (collections of subjects)
- **DataWriters** publish data on Topics
- **DataReaders** subscribe to data on Topics
- **QoS Policies** are used configure the system
- **Listeners** are used to notify the application of events

Request  $\leq$  Offered  
QoS compatibility  
checking and run-time  
monitoring

# Request vs Offered Examples

## Result

- DW offers DEADLINE of 10ms
- DR requests DEADLINE of 20ms

Compatible:  
20 ms “less” 10 ms

- DW offers RELIABILITY kind RELIABLE
- DR requests RELIABILITY BEST\_EFFORT

Compatible:  
BEST\_EFFORT “less” RELIABLE

- DW offers LIVELINESS kind AUTOMATIC
- DR requests LIVELINESS kind MANUAL

Not Compatible:  
MANUAL “more” AUTOMATIC



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Cache  
Resources  
Delivery

QoS Policy
DURABILITY
HISTORY
LIFESPAN
WRITER DATA LIFECYCLE
READER DATA LIFECYCLE
ENTITY FACTORY
RESOURCE LIMITS
RELIABILITY
TIME BASED FILTER
DEADLINE
CONTENT FILTERS

QoS Policy
USER DATA
TOPIC DATA
GROUP DATA
PARTITION
PRESENTATION
DESTINATION ORDER
OWNERSHIP
OWNERSHIP STRENGTH
LIVELINESS
LATENCY BUDGET
TRANSPORT PRIORITY

User QoS  
Presentation  
Availability  
Transport

# Handling Highly Heterogeneous systems

- How to handle vast differences in speed?
  - Use Time-Based Filters
  - Leverage Data Cache in Reader and Writer
- How manage big differences on data needs and volumes
  - Select only needed Topics
  - Use Partitions
  - Use Content Filtered Topics
- How to handle various network transports?
  - DDS mechanisms are independent of the network transport



# DDS Standard family



Application

DDS-C++

DDS-JAVA

DDS-IDL-C

DDS-IDL-C#

DDS v 1.4

DDS-WEB

DDS-RPC

DDS-XTYPES

IDL 4.0

DDS-SECURITY

RTPS v2.2

HTTP/s

UDP

TCP\*

DTLS

TLS

TSN

IP

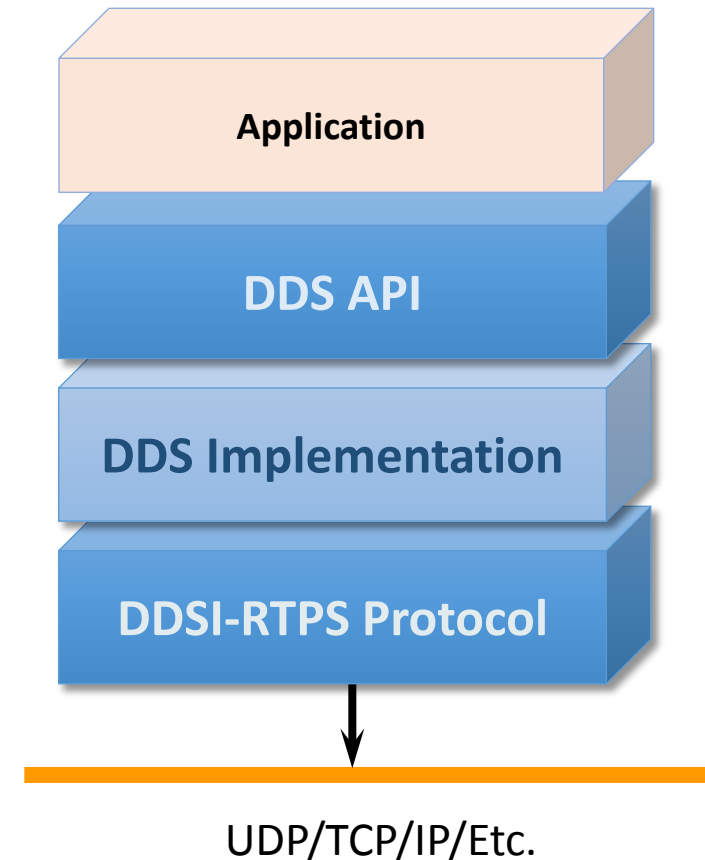
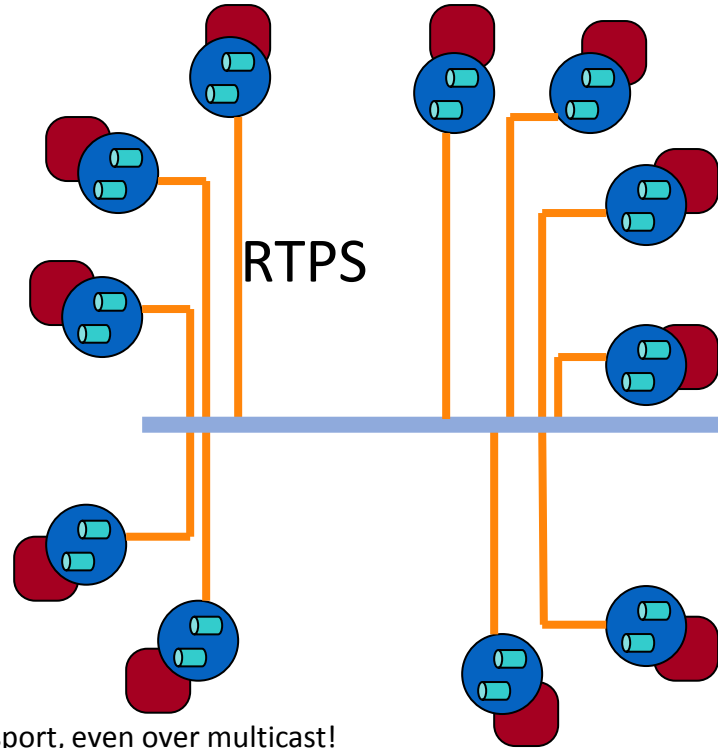
SHARED-MEMORY

Ethernet

# RTPS Wire Protocol

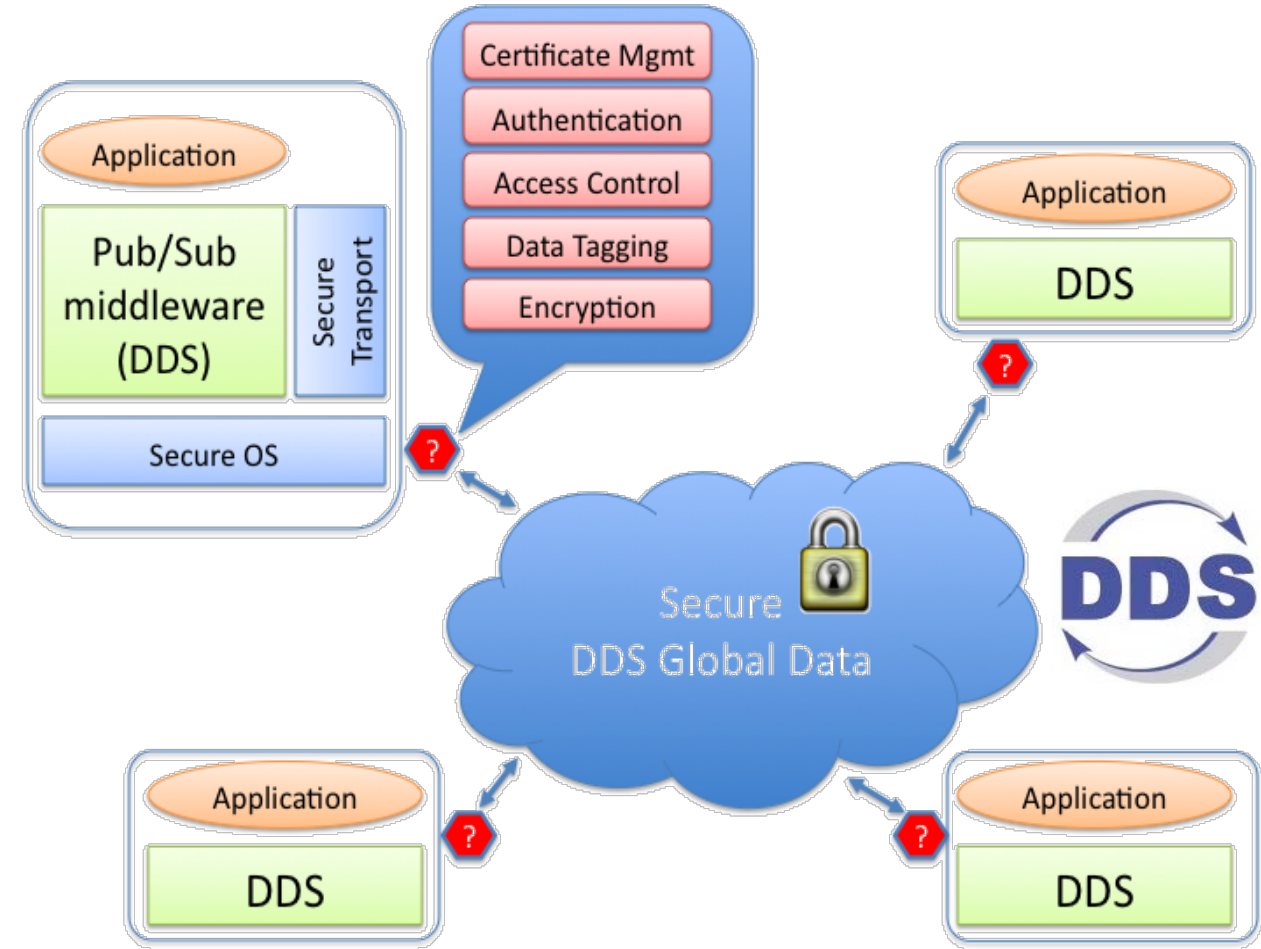
Highly Scalable  
Brokerless  
Transport-Independent

- **Peer to peer** no brokers or servers
- **Qos Aware & Reliable** best efforts top reliable independent of transport, even over multicast!
- **Any size data** automatic fragmentation & reassembly. Smart (fragment) repairs
- **Automatic Discovery and Presence** plug & play. No need to configure discovery services
- **Decoupled** start applications in any order allow readers without writers and vice-versa
- **Redundant** supports multi path and multiple networks. Automatically discards duplicates
- **High performance** native “wire” speeds
- **Scalable** no need to maintain  $N^2$  network connections



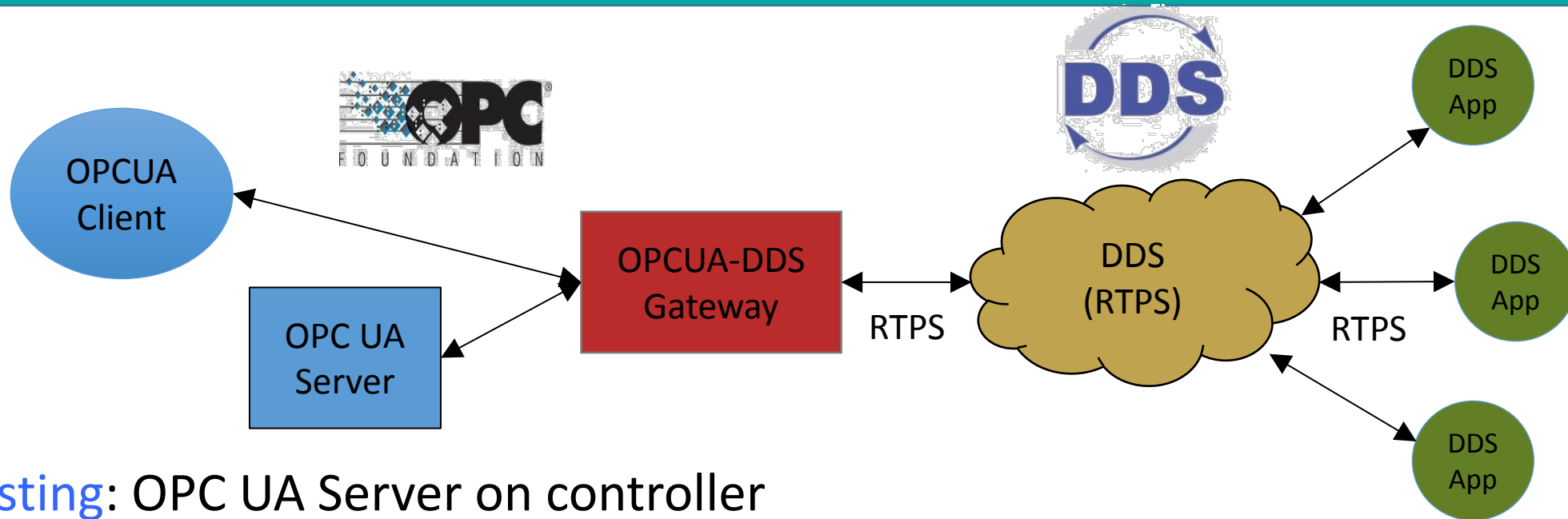
# DDS Security Standard

- DDS entities are **authenticated**
- DDS enforces **access control** for domains/Topics/...
- DDS maintains data **integrity** and **confidentiality**
- DDS enforces **non-repudiation**
- DDS provides **availability** through reliable access to data



...while maintaining DDS interoperability & high performance

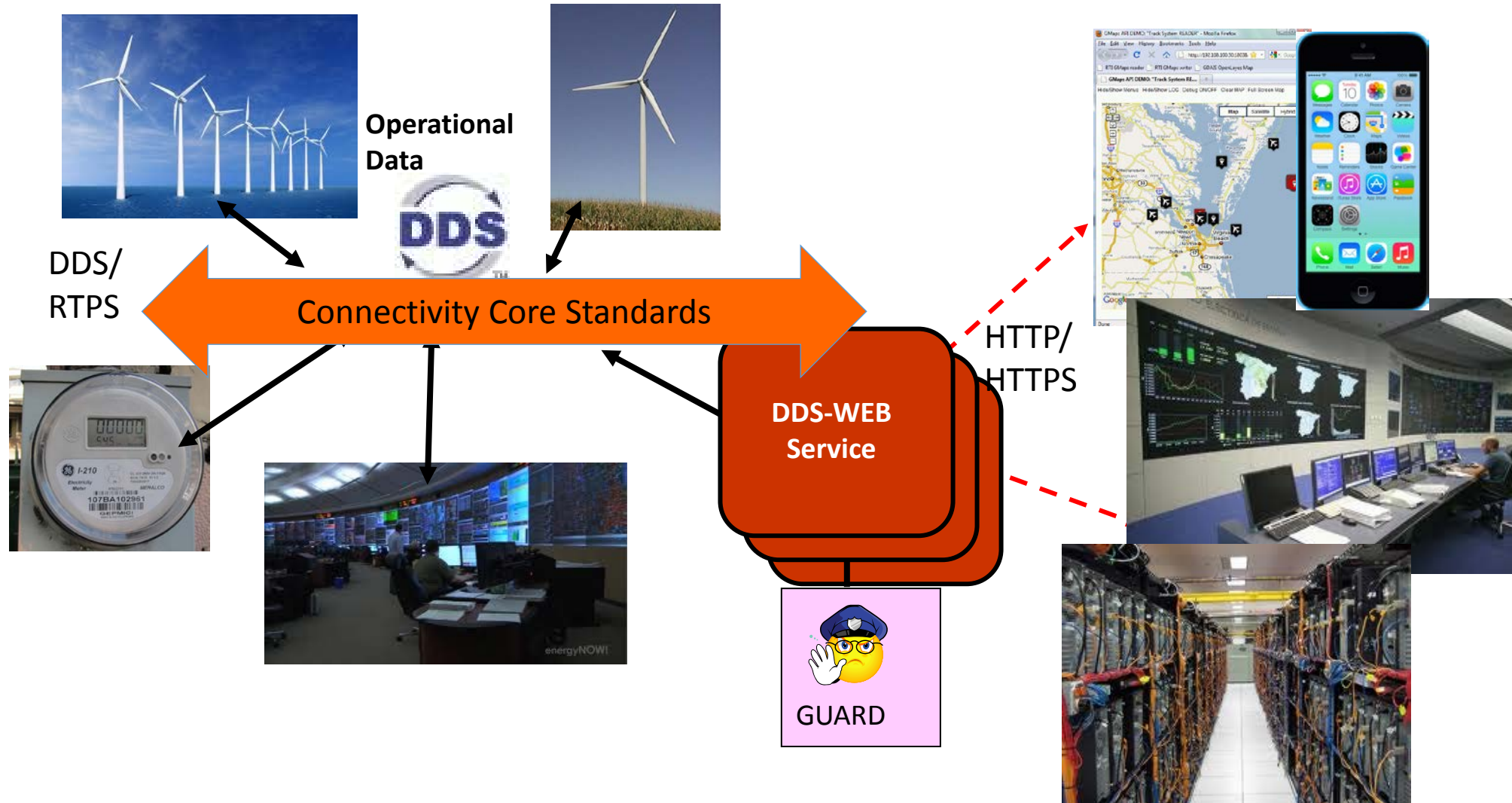
# DDS to OPCUA Bridge



- Existing: OPC UA Server on controller
- Existing: OPC UA Client applications
- Existing: DDS App
- New: OPCUA-DDS Gateway– Maps “operations” on OPCUA to DDS

NOTE: OPC foundation also working on a “Pub-Sub” mechanism for OPCUA. Plan is to make “DDS” one of the 3 supported “communication” models for pub-sub.

# DDS-WEB Standard





# Solving IIOT problems with DDS



# DDS is broadly used across the IIoT

## Real World Systems in:

- Healthcare
- Transportation
- Communications
- Energy
- Industrial
- Defense





# North America Largest Power Generator



- DDS controls the 6.8 GW GC Dam
  - Largest power plant in North America
  - Fastest-responding major power source on the Western Grid
  - Requires 24x7 operation

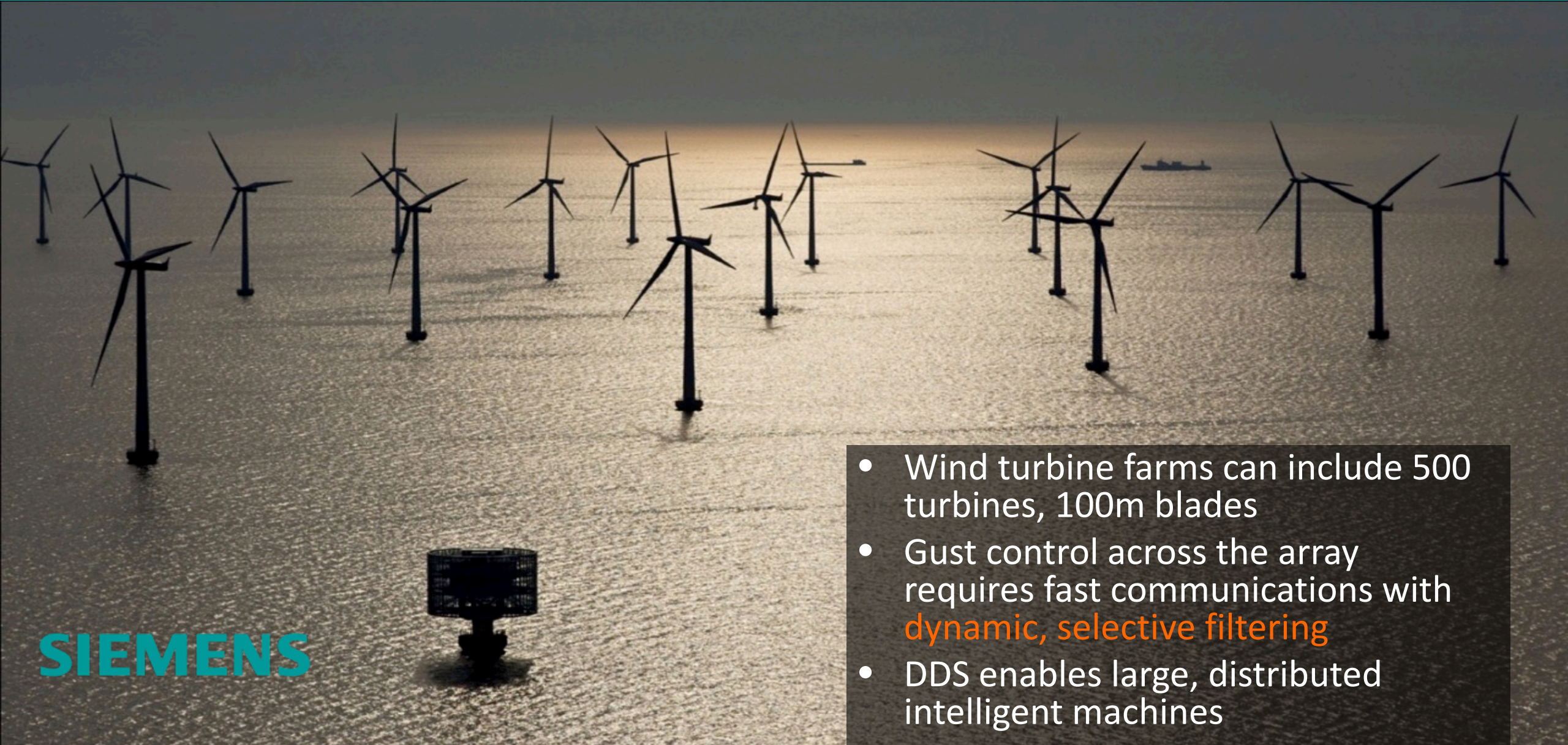
- DDS met the challenges
  - Extreme availability
  - Wide area communications
  - Multi-level routing
  - High security
  - 300k data values
- **Live since Jan 2014**





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# Siemens Wind Power Distributed Control



- Wind turbine farms can include 500 turbines, 100m blades
- Gust control across the array requires fast communications with **dynamic, selective filtering**
- DDS enables large, distributed intelligent machines





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# Largest Single-System SCADA

- The NASA KSC launch control claims to be the world's largest single-system SCADA
- It combines 300k points, at 400k msgs/sec
- RTI Connex DDS powers launch control, in-flight monitoring, UAV reentry-tracking ground station, and the recovery ship

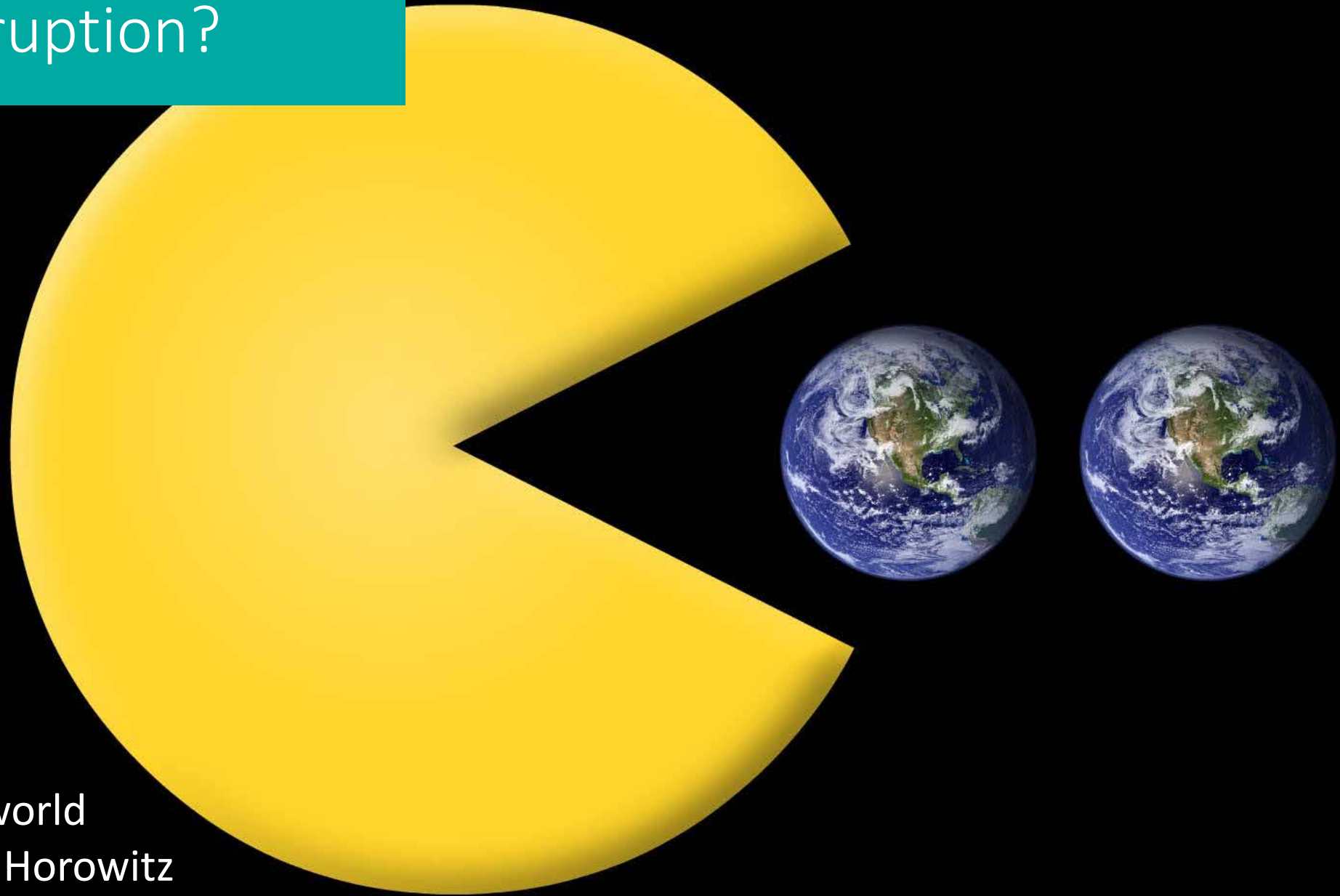


– John Chambers





# What's the Disruption?



Software is eating the world  
-- Andreessen Horowitz  
Silicon Valley VC



# Thank You!

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