UPDATE
High Performance Computing Power Application Programming Interface (API) Specification

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- Version 1.2 Released February 2016
  - Changes were predominately a result of our collaboration with Cray on the Trinity Power APM NRE
- Version 1.3 *to-be-released* May 2016
  - Statistics interface
  - New Object (HT)
  - New Attribute (GOV)
- Version 2.0 *release-TBD* 2016 Python bindings
- Trinity APM NRE
  - Cray and Adaptive collaborations
- Discussions with Geo
- Discussions with Redfish

Trinity APM NRE

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- APM – Advanced Power Management
- NRE – Non-recurring Engineering
  - Investment part of the NNSA Advanced Technology System platform acquisition strategy
- 3 General Areas:
- Cray: Power Management Database (PMDB) interface
  - Provide access to Cray's PMDB
  - Core and selected higher-level interfaces
  - Implemented in Python – to-be released in Version 2.0 of specification
- Cray: Compute node interface
  - Node level C implementation
  - Core and selected higher-level interfaces
- Adaptive Computing: Power Aware Scheduling
  - Exercise certain aspects of Cray's implementation
  - Use case driven - scheduling within power constraints

- ***All capabilities will be implemented on the production Trinity Platform***

Power API and Geo Alignment

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- Power API Today:
  - Application “Hints” Interface
    - Recognize or hint about application regions
      - E.g. compute, IO, parallel, serial
- Geo Today:
  - Labeling regions which allows
    - I’m repeating a previous region
    - Time a region
    - Evolving or “learning” about regions
- Power API Tomorrow:
  - Evolve the Hints interface (or create new interfaces) to align with and expose Geo capabilities
- Good example of portability across runtime layers
  - Geo as the underlying runtime
  - Portable to “other” runtimes with similar capabilities

Power API and Redfish Alignment

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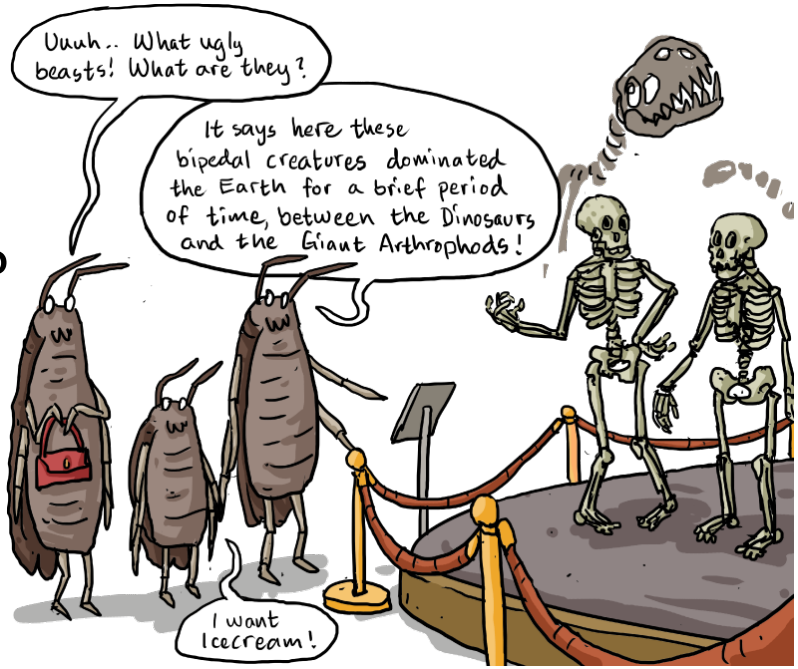
- Power API Today: core interfaces
  - “Common” set of interfaces for power measurement and control
- Redfish Today:
  - Provides out-of-band abstracted interface to the underlying implementation
    - Replaces IPMI-over-LAN
  - Inband later? (see Redfish talk)
- Power API Tomorrow:
  - Tools built using Power API interfaces could be portably used on systems that implement Redfish
  - Tools remain portable to other systems
  - Also to other Role->System pairs that are not applicable to Redfish
- Another example of enabling portability
  - This time using an emerging DMTF standard underneath

Going Forward

- How do we move forward?
- What “standards” model to apply?
- Regular calls?
  - Frequency?
- Face to Face meetings
  - Frequency?
- Important to have broad community participation which includes vendor representatives



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Overview

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- This will be a 10,000 foot view
  - The specification is necessarily broad in scope
  - Covering the specification in detail takes many hours
- A bit of history
- Collaboration from the start
- Important core principles
- Some higher level concepts
- Moving forward

Who is Behind PowerAPI?

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Adaptive COMPUTING

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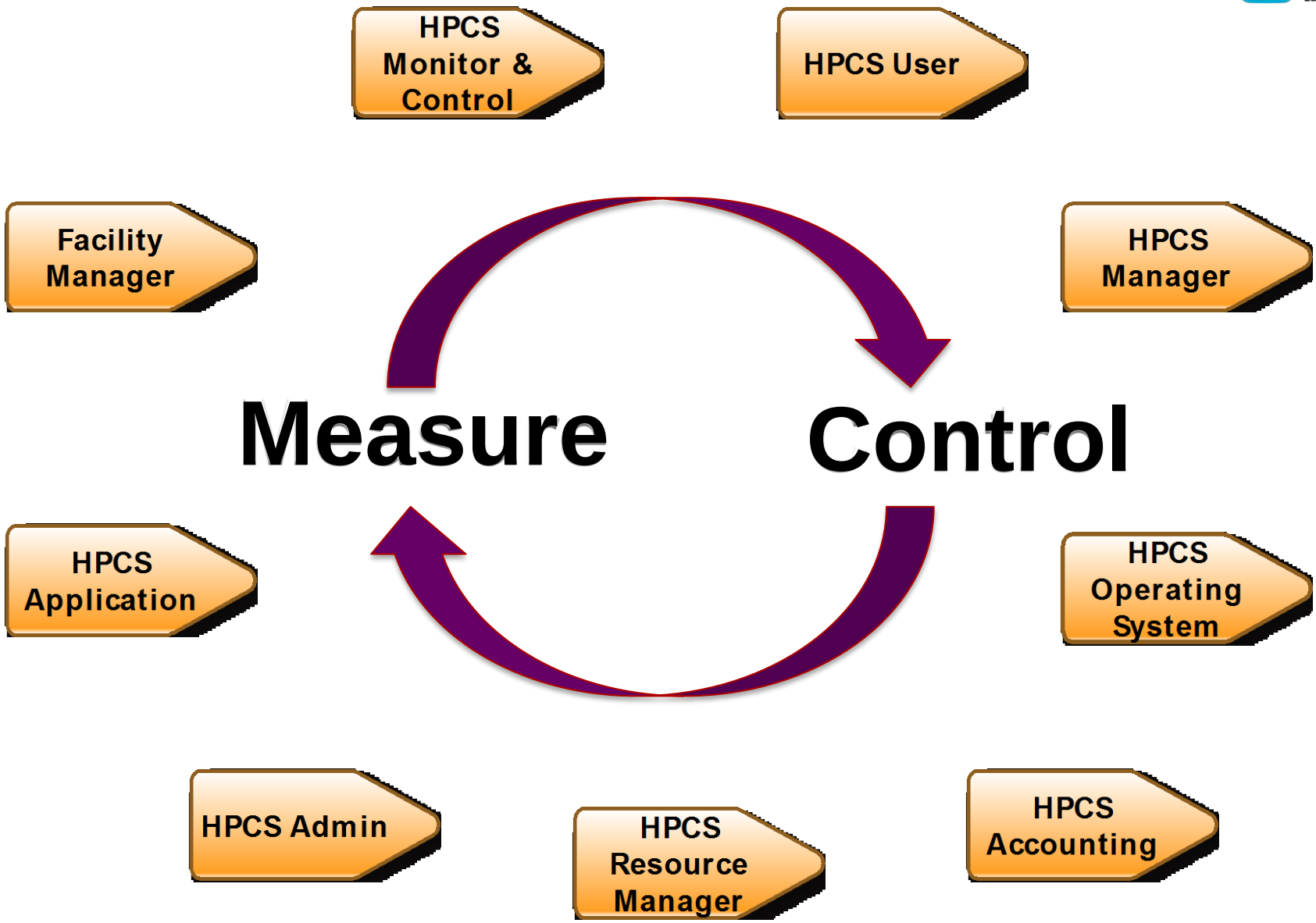
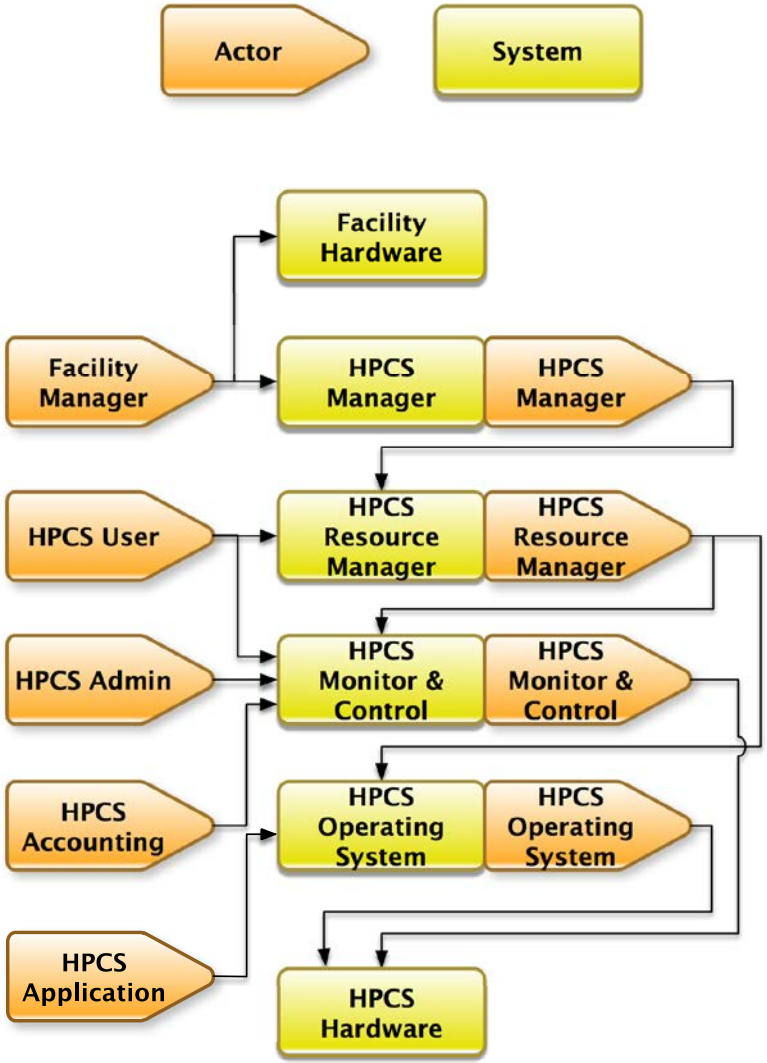

HPCS Monitor & Control
HPCS User
Facility Manager
HPCS Manager
Measure
Control
HPCS Application
HPCS Operating System
HPCS Admin
HPCS Resource Manager
HPCS Accounting

A UML-ish Approach

- Diagram is the result of a UML study of the target space
  - Goal: Define Scope, Roles and Interfaces
- Arrows indicate interfaces or interaction between an Actor (Role) and System
  - Each interaction represents an interface that is defined in the specification
  - Specification is structured from the user or Role perspective
- Notice that an Actor (Role) can also be a System
- Cite use case document



Goals

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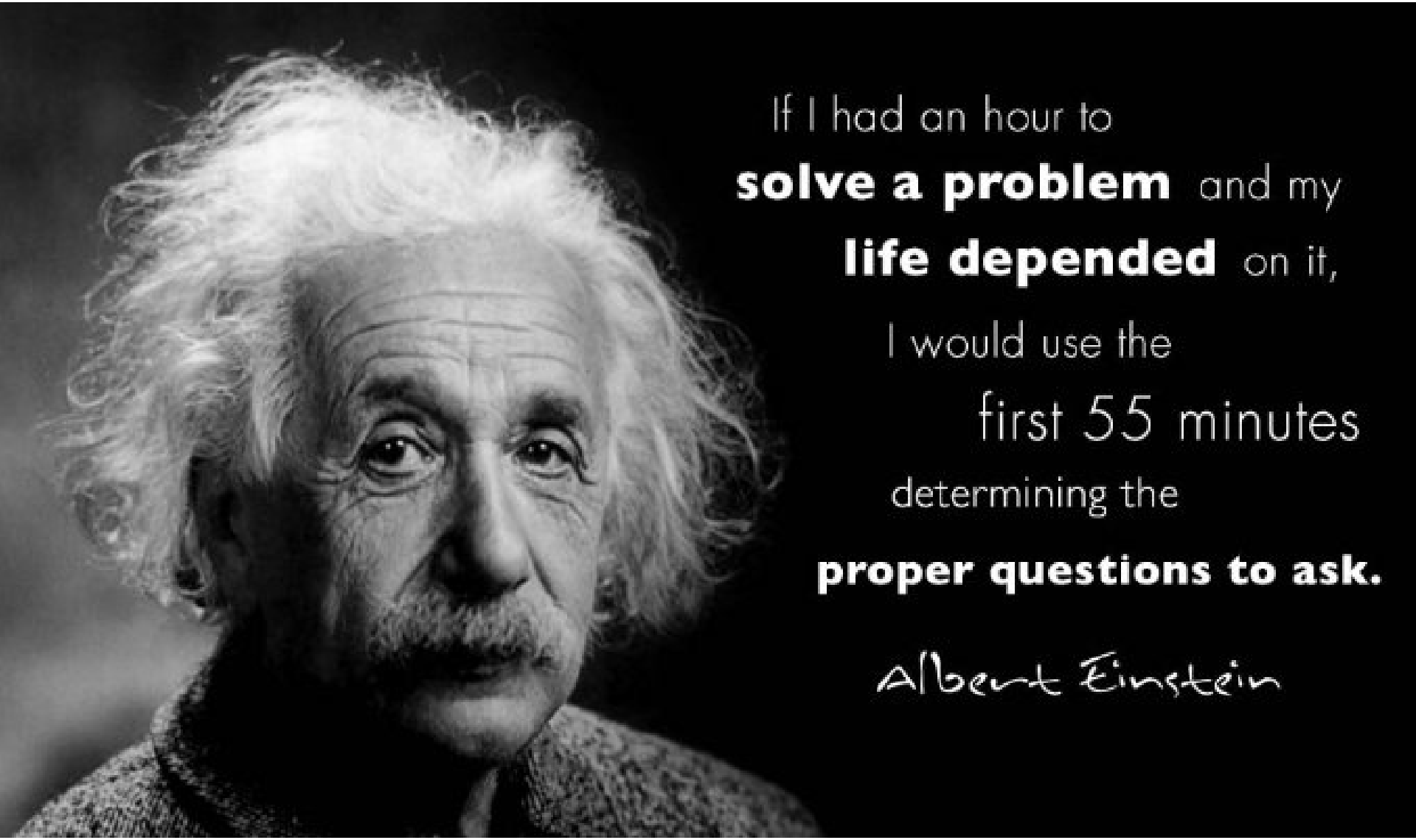
- Portability for the HPC community
  - Wouldn't it be nice to develop tools that worked on all your machines with little to no modification?
  - Same desire exists no matter what Role you play
    - More about Roles later
- Forecast emerging needs of HPC community
  - As a group, inform the vendors of how we want to use systems now and in the future
  - Specification acts as a basis of collaboration
- Expose new capabilities developed by vendors and community
  - Leverage vendor and community innovations in this and related spaces
  - E.g. Geo and Redfish
- Most important, want something out there to throw stones at
  - Need a starting point!


If I had an hour to
solve a problem and my
life depended on it,
I would use the
first 55 minutes
determining the
proper questions to ask.
Albert Einstein

What is the Power API?

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A comprehensive API for power **MEASUREMENT** and **CONTROL** of HPC platforms

- *Comprehensive = Facility to Component*
- *API = Define the inter**FACE** not the mechanism*
- *HPC platforms = Facility (or datacenter) and all the platforms within*

Considers all users of HPC platform - people and programs

- *Core (Common)*
  - *Common among all "users"*
    - *Includes: Roles, Initialization, Navigation, Objects and Groups, Attributes (Get/Set), Metadata and Statistics*
- *High-Level Common*
  - *Higher level of abstraction but still potentially common among multiple Roles*
- *Role/System Specific*
  - *Higher level abstraction specific to how Role interfaces with system*

Roles

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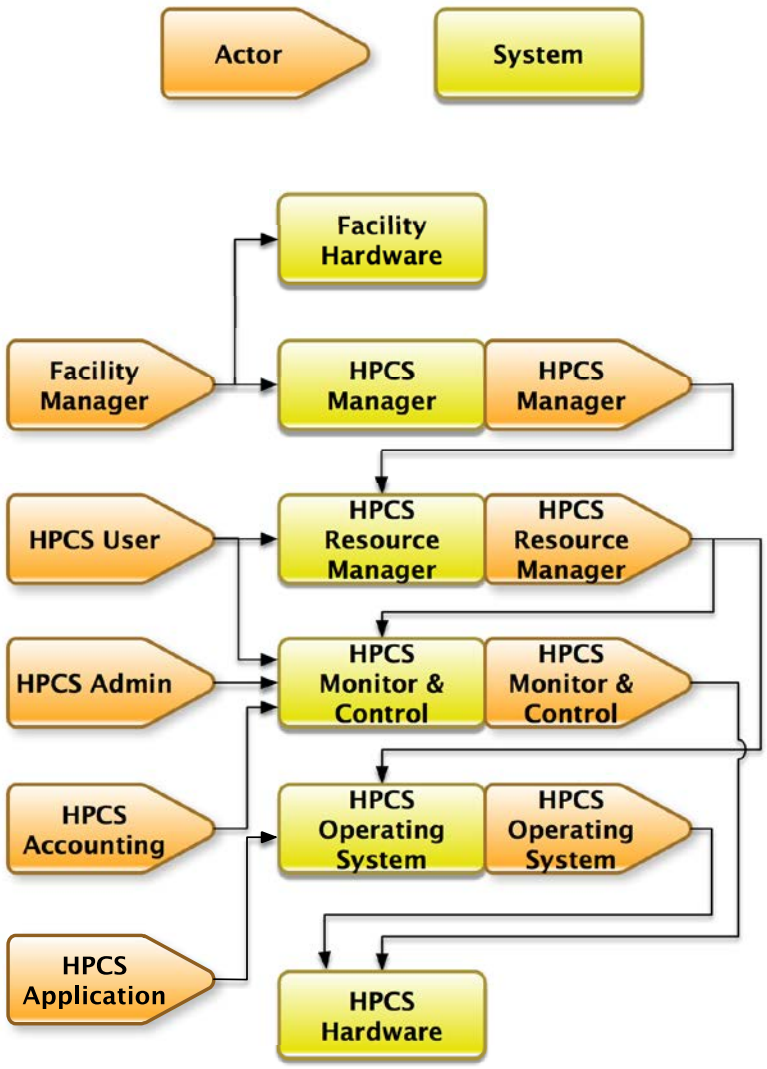
PWR_Role

```
typedef enum {
            PWR_ROLE_APP, /* Application */
            PWR_ROLE_MC, /* Monitor and Control */
            PWR_ROLE_OS, /* Operating System */
            PWR_ROLE_USER, /* User */
            PWR_ROLE_RM, /* Resource Manager */
            PWR_ROLE_ADMIN, /* Administrator */
            PWR_ROLE_MGR, /* HPCS Manager */
            PWR_ROLE_ACC /* Accounting */
} PWR_Role;
```



Roles

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- Application – Application or application library executing on the compute resource; May include run-time components running in user space
- Monitor and Control -- Cluster management or Reliability Availability and Serviceability (RAS) systems, for example.
- Operating System -- Linux or specialized lightweight kernels and privileged portions of run-time systems. Privilege escalation layer.
- User -- The end user of the HPC platform.
- Resource Manager – Can include work load managers, schedulers, allocators and even portions of run-time systems that manage resources.
- Administrator – System administrator or day-to-day platform manager.
- HPCS Manager -- Individual(s) responsible for managing policy for the HPC platform, often through scheduling policy. Implements facility parameters.
- Accounting -- Individual or software that produces reports of metrics for the HPC platform.

System Description

Presents a navigable view of the system's hardware components (objects) upon initialization

- Can extend to custom object types
- Can be heterogeneous

PWR_ObjType

```
typedef enum {
        PWR_OBJ_PLATFORM = 0,
        PWR_OBJ_CABINET,
        PWR_OBJ_CHASSIS,
        PWR_OBJ_BOARD,
        PWR_OBJ_NODE,
        PWR_OBJ_SOCKET,
        PWR_OBJ_CORE,
        PWR_OBJ_POWER_PLANE,
        PWR_OBJ_MEM,
        PWR_OBJ_NIC,
        PWR_NUM_OBJ_TYPES,
        /* */
        PWR_OBJ_INVALID = -1,
        PWR_OBJ_NOT_SPECIFIED = -2
} PWR_ObjType;
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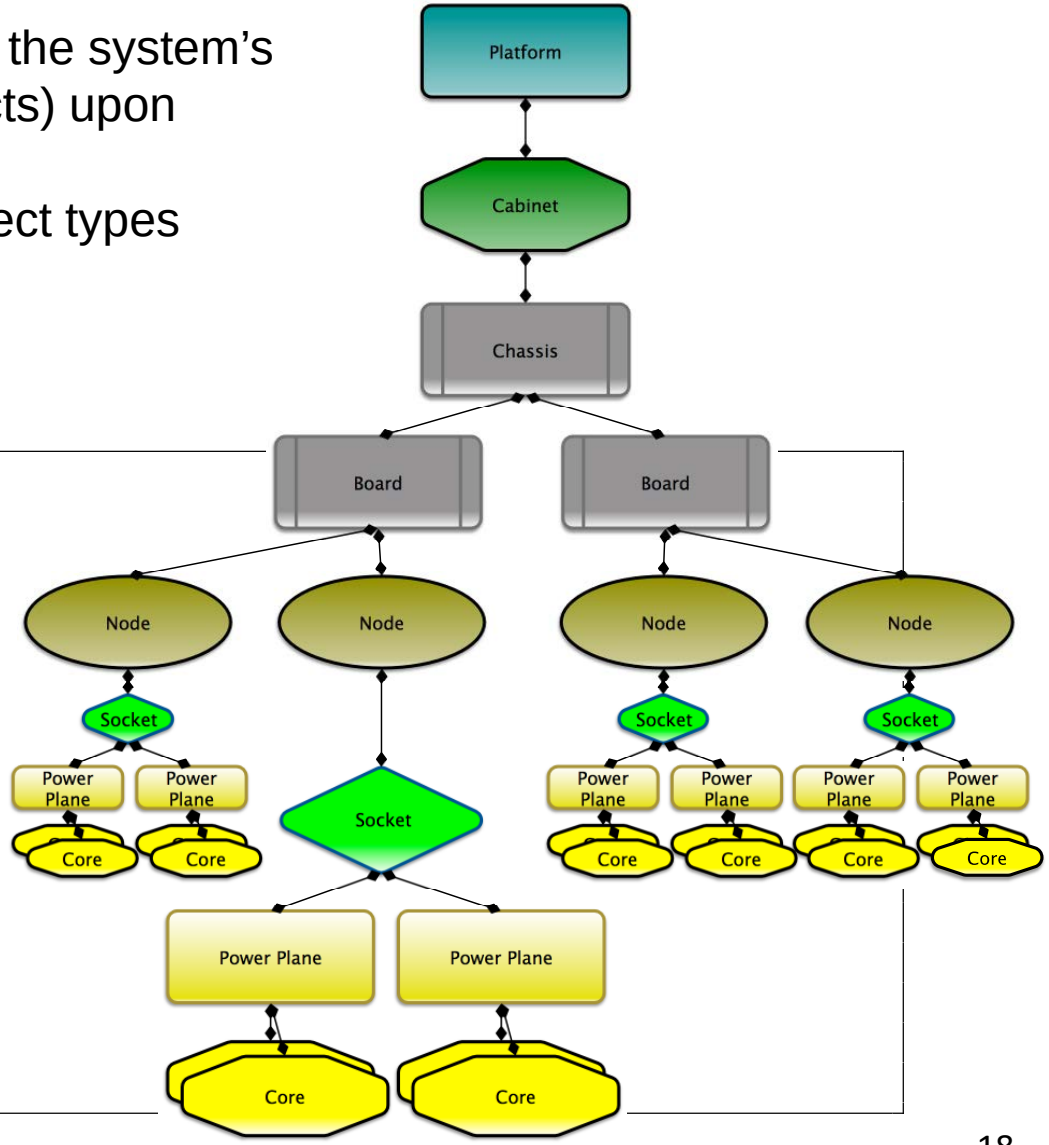

Objects

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- Objects and Groups
  - Objects represent components of a system
    - Lots of flexibility in what a component is
  - System Description is the organization of these objects to represent the system
  - Representation may be dependent on Role (and other considerations)
  - Attributes (later) are associated with objects
  - Groups can be implementation (predefined) or user defined (long or short lived)
- Navigate the system description provided upon Initialization
  - Entry point may depend on Role
    - Node entry point for Application
    - Platform entry point for Administrator
  - Navigate up (parent object), down (child objects)
  - Navigation can also be thought of as Discovery

Attribute Interface

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```
typedef enum {
        PWR_ATTR_PSTATE = 0, /* uint64_t */
        PWR_ATTR_CSTATE, /* uint64_t */
        PWR_ATTR_CSTATE_LIMIT, /* uint64_t */
        PWR_ATTR_SSTATE, /* uint64_t */
        PWR_ATTR_CURRENT, /* double, amps */
        PWR_ATTR_VOLTAGE, /* double, volts */
        PWR_ATTR_POWER, /* double, watts */
        PWR_ATTR_POWER_LIMIT_MIN, /* double, watts */
        PWR_ATTR_POWER_LIMIT_MAX, /* double, watts */
        PWR_ATTR_FREQ, /* double, Hz */
        PWR_ATTR_FREQ_LIMIT_MIN, /* double, Hz */
        PWR_ATTR_FREQ_LIMIT_MAX, /* double, Hz */
        PWR_ATTR_ENERGY, /* double, joules */
        PWR_ATTR_TEMP, /* double, degrees Celsius */
        PWR_ATTR_OS_ID, /* uint64_t */
        PWR_ATTR_THROTTLED_TIME, /* uint64_t */
        PWR_ATTR_THROTTLED_COUNT, /* uint64_t */
        PWR_NUM_ATTR_NAMES,
        /* */
        PWR_ATTR_INVALID = -1,
        PWR_ATTR_NOT_SPECIFIED = -2
} PWR_AttrName;
```

Attribute Interface

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MEASURE

```
int PWR_ObjAttrGetValue( PWR_Obj object,
                         PWR_AttrName attr,
                         void* buf,
                         PWR_Time* ts);
```

CONTROL

```
int PWR_ObjAttrSetValue( PWR_Obj object,
                         PWR_AttrName attr,
                         void* buf );
```

Symmetric calls available for operating on groups of objects

Attributes: Common Functionality

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- Attributes (measure and control) of objects and groups of objects
  - Access dependent on Role and other implementation specific considerations
- Get and Set operations enable basic measurement and control for the exposed object attributes (and groups of objects)
- Attributes can represent generic measurement and control features
  - Power, Voltage, Current, Frequency
- Architecture specific features are permissible at the lowest levels
  - Pstate, Cstate may not be meaningful for all architectures
- An attribute, like power, can represent an instrumentation point or a summation of underlying instrumentation points
  - Power attribute of a CPU object
  - Power attribute of a Node object

Metadata Interface

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```
typedef enum {
        PWR_MD_NUM = 0, /* uint64_t */
        PWR_MD_MIN, /* either uint64_t or double, depending on attribute type */
        PWR_MD_MAX, /* either uint64_t or double, depending on attribute type */
        PWR_MD_PRECISION, /* uint64_t */
        PWR_MD_ACCURACY, /* double */
        PWR_MD_UPDATE_RATE, /* double */
        PWR_MD_SAMPLE_RATE, /* double */
        PWR_MD_TIME_WINDOW, /* PWR_Time */
        PWR_MD_TS_LATENCY, /* PWR_Time */
        PWR_MD_TS_ACCURACY, /* PWR_Time */
        PWR_MD_MAX_LEN, /* uint64_t, max strlen of any returned metadata string. */
        PWR_MD_NAME_LEN, /* uint64_t, max strlen of PWR_MD_NAME */
        PWR_MD_NAME, /* char *, C-style NULL-terminated ASCII string */
        PWR_MD_DESC_LEN, /* uint64_t, max strlen of PWR_MD_DESC */
        PWR_MD_DESC, /* char *, C-style NULL-terminated ASCII string */
        PWR_MD_VALUE_LEN, /* uint64_t, max strlen returned by PWR_MetaValueAtIndex */
        PWR_MD_VENDOR_INFO_LEN, /* uint64_t, max strlen of PWR_MD_VENDOR_INFO */
        PWR_MD_VENDOR_INFO, /* char *, C-style NULL-terminated ASCII string */
        PWR_MD_MEASURE_METHOD, /* uint64_t, 0/1 depending on real/model mesurement */
        PWR_NUM_META_NAMES,
        /* */
        PWR_MD_INVALID = -1,
        PWR_MD_NOT_SPECIFIED = -2
} PWR_MetaName;
```

Metadata: Common Functionality

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- Metadata interface provides information about quality, frequency, and other characteristics associated with attributes of objects
  - Can be specific for a particular attribute/object pair
    - All power sensors might not provide the same accuracy
  - Frequency of sample collection can help determine usefulness of data
  - Can also, in some cases, set metadata
    - Potentially to change how a device responds

Statistics Interface

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PWR_AttrStat

```
typedef enum {
        PWR_ATTR_STAT_MIN = 0,
        PWR_ATTR_STAT_MAX,
        PWR_ATTR_STAT_AVG,
        PWR_ATTR_STAT_STDEV,
        PWR_ATTR_STAT_CV,
        PWR_NUM_ATTR_STATS,
        /* */
        PWR_ATTR_STAT_INVALID = -1,
        PWR_ATTR_STAT_NOT_SPECIFIED = -2
} PWR_AttrStat;
```

Statistics: Common Functionality

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- Statistics interface gathers data on one or more attributes for an object or group of objects
  - Real time or historic statistics
    - Historic implies data retention (database for example)
  - Min, Max, Average, Standard Deviation, Coefficient of Variation
  - Reduction operation available
  - User provided statistic function on the to-do list
- Provides functions to…
  - Start, stop, and reset statistics gathering
  - Get the calculated value(s) for the object or group of objects
  - Reduce the values calculated for objects in a group into a single value

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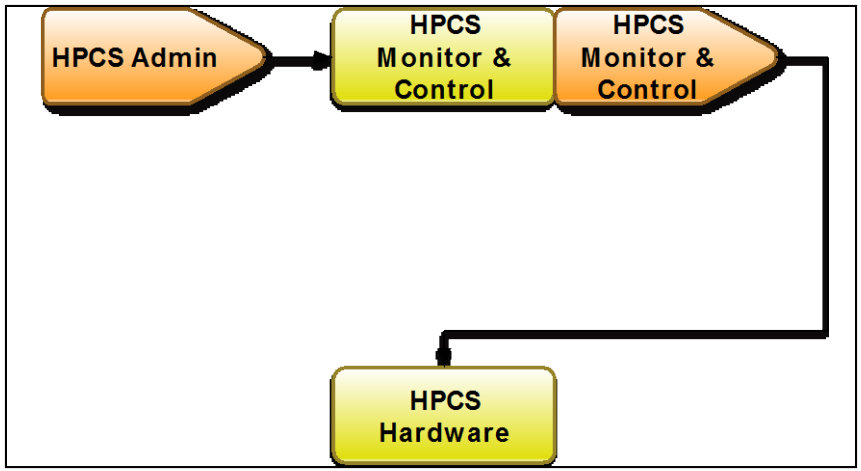
High Level Interfaces by Role (1)

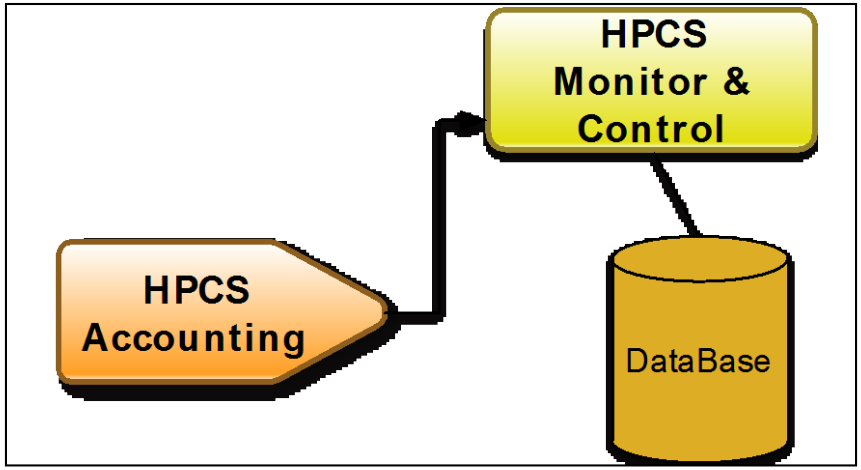
Administrator:

- Apply Hard Power Limits based on Facility parameters
  - Bounds Power Aware Scheduling

Accounting:

- Power/Energy Application profiling based on historic information
  - Feeds into Power Aware Scheduling





High Level Interfaces by Role (2)

Resource Manager

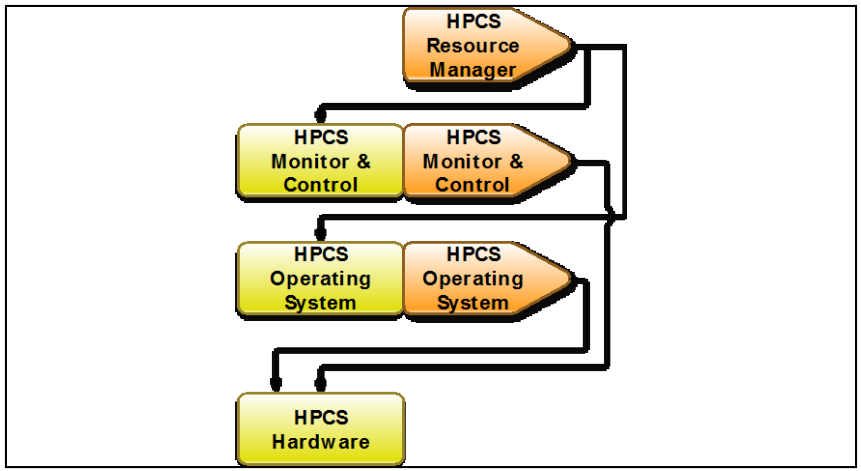
- Power Aware Scheduling
  - HPC Tetris

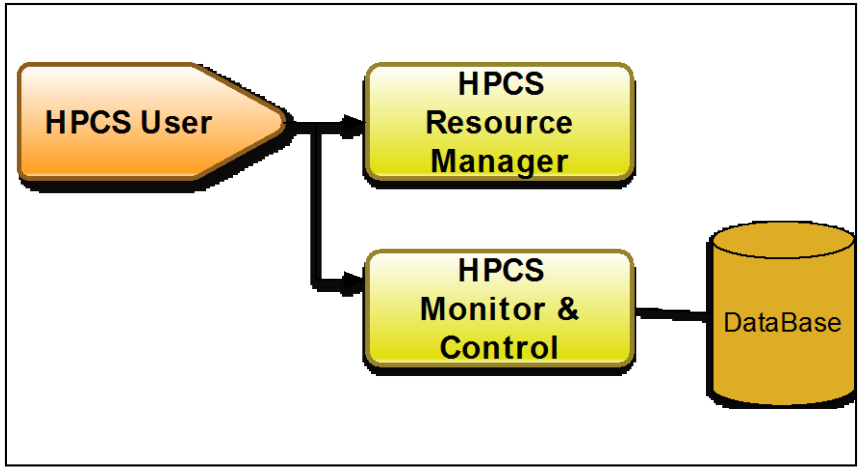
User

- Understands application Power and Energy Characteristics and Phases

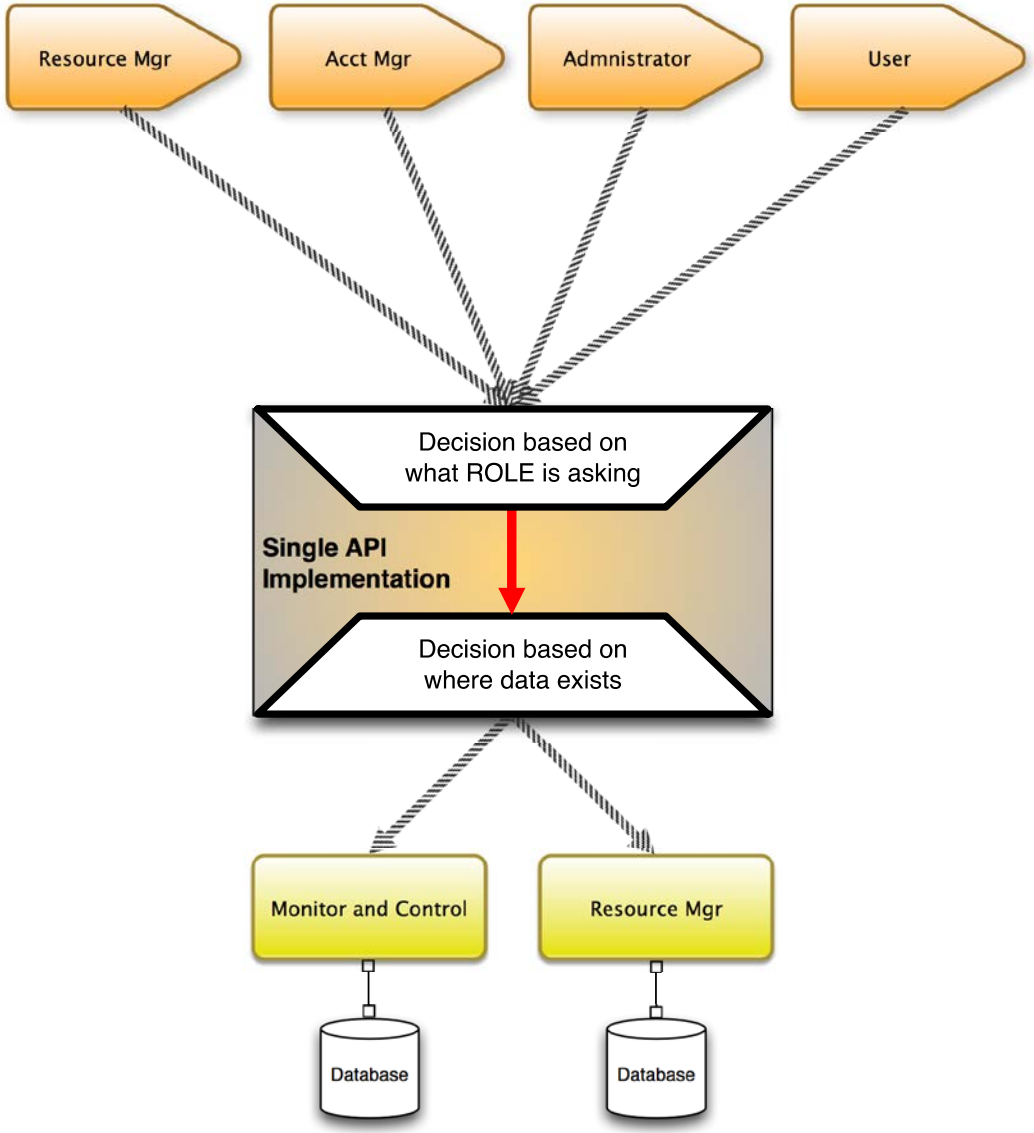
Application

- Provide application hints based on profiling





One Implementation Across Multiple Interfaces



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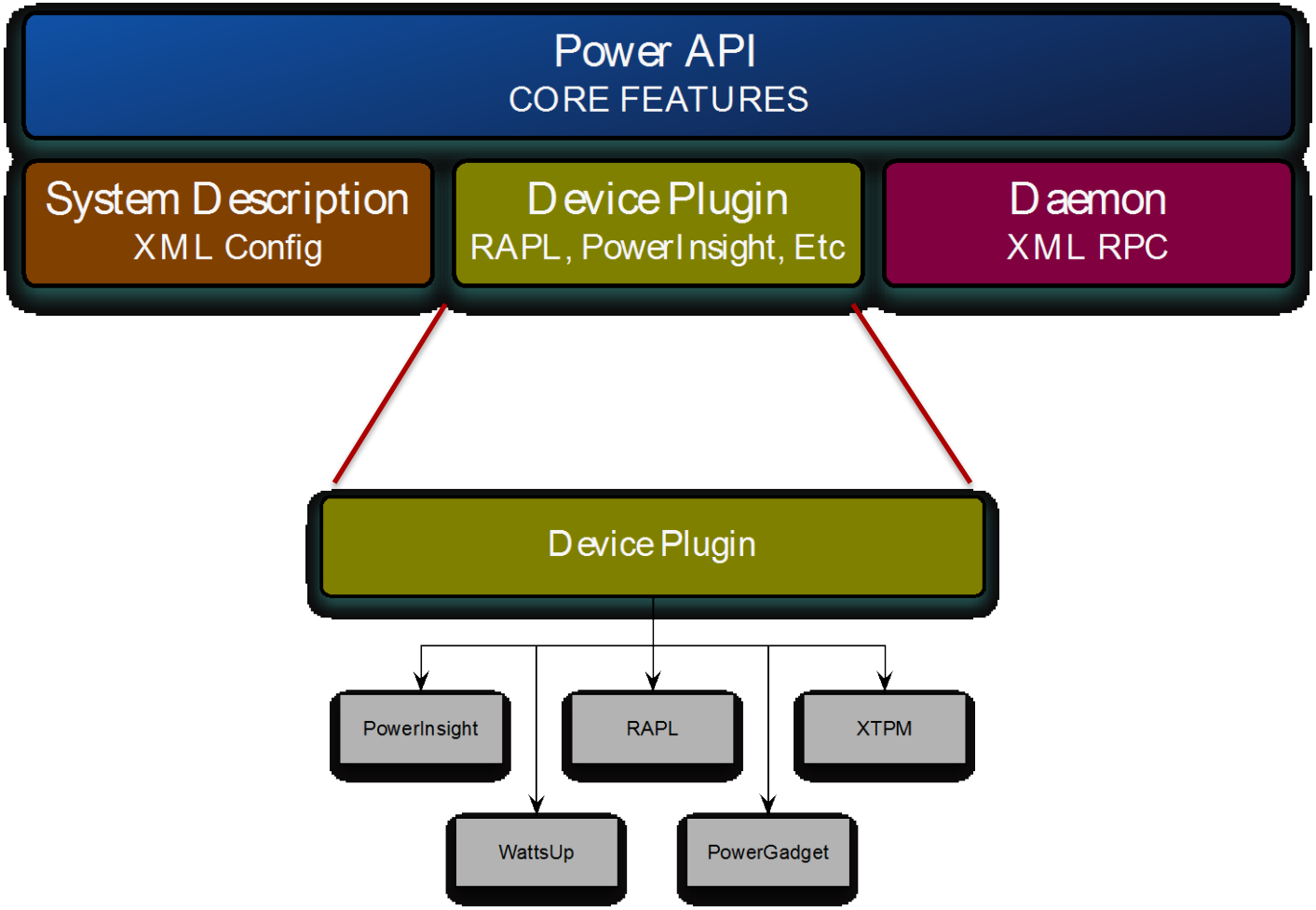

Available online and open source: http://github.com/pwrapi

Power API Timeline

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- 2013: Use case document prepared by SNL and NREL and reviewed by partners
- July 2014: Draft specification review meeting with cross-vendor panel of experts
- Aug. 2014: Specification v1.0 release (http://powerapi.sandia.gov/)
- Sept. 2014: Day-long community launch meeting with labs, industry, academia
- Jan. 2015: Prototype implementation release
- June 2015: Reference implementation release (http://github.com/pwrapi)
- Aug. 2015: Specification v1.1 release
- Oct. 2015: Specification v1.1a release (http://powerapi.sandia.gov/)

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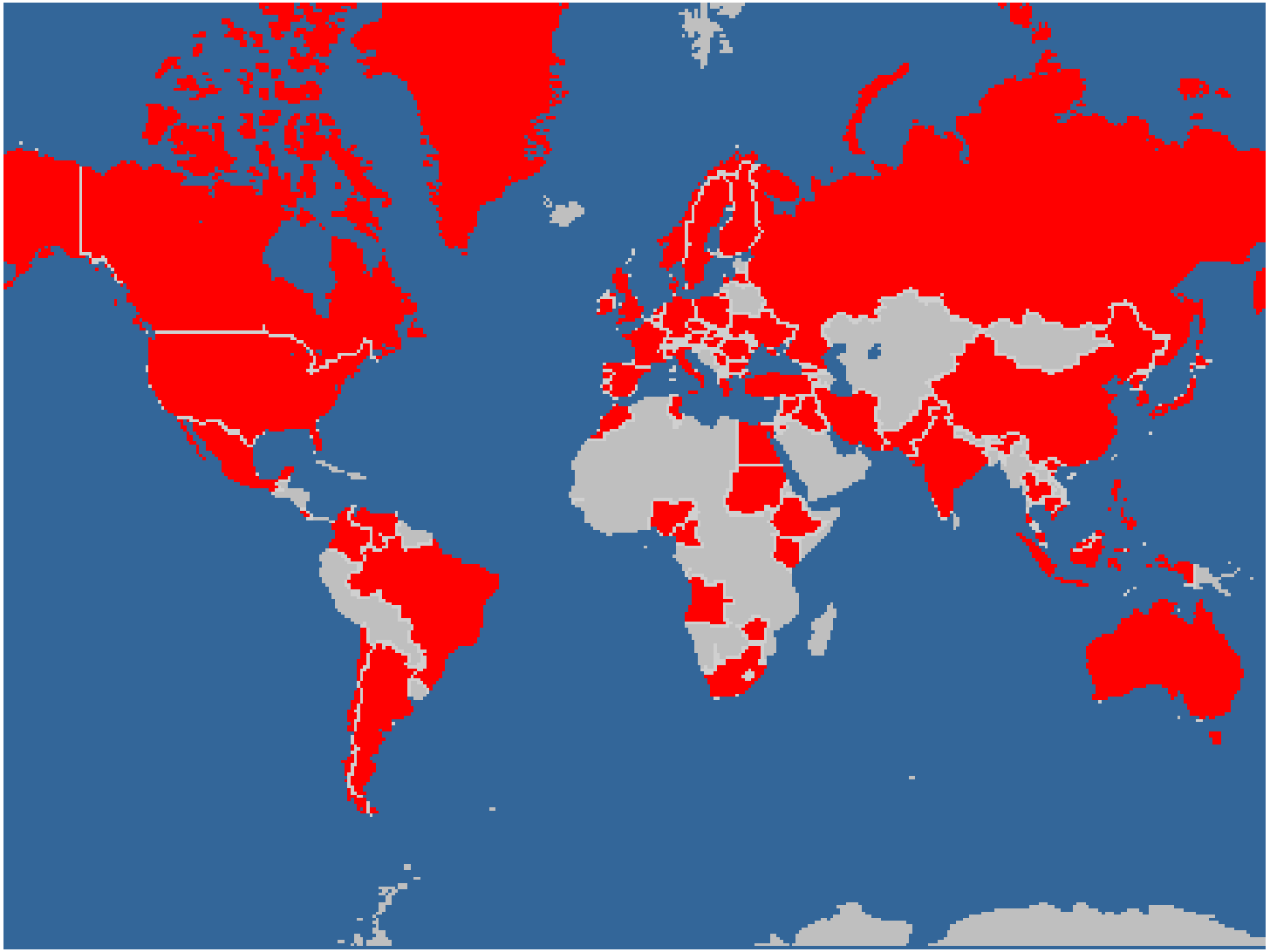

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Trinity ATS-1 NRE: Advanced Power Management

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- DOE NNSA's Advanced Technology System (ATS-1)
  - >19,000 Nodes, <10MW
- Introduced the concept of funding Non-Recurring Engineering (NRE) projects to advance important technologies in conjunction with platform procurement
- Cray contracted to address Advanced Power Management
  - Implement portions of the Power API at scale

Targeting two areas of the API:

1. Implement interface to Power Management Database
   - Extend specification to include Python
   - Monitor and Control in our diagram
2. Compute node implementation (native C)

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