Advanced Metering Infrastructure

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Background – The Market

- Liberalization
 - Trend of energy saving
 - Trend of emission reduction
- EU report see the trends hence the need of AMI, smart meter is there in 2005/2006
- In reaction to that Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs commissioned NEN (Netherlands Normalization Institute) to draft a document describe the needs and requirements focusing on E and G.
- In April 2007, NTA 8130 was finalized
- In March 2011, Ministry of EL&I issued AmvB (Algemene Maatregel van Bestuur) on smart meter
- Both of them, give the task to GO to define specific requirements for Dutch smart meter – hence the birth of DSMR, the current version is 4.3

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• Prosumers can sell back the energy which lead to crowd production

Research Motivation & Question

Motivation

- Understand the system
- Take full advantage of the new system
- ECO friendly
- Energy saving

How to optimize the information flow between the stakeholders of the AMI in order to better facilitate the liberation of Dutch energy market?

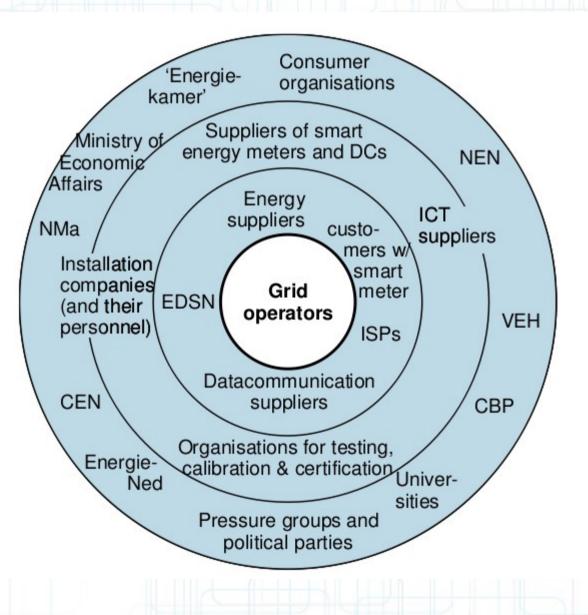
Sub-questions

I. Who are the core stakeholders
II. Clear overview of AMI
III. Division of task domains
IV. (Metering) Information flow

Research Methods

- Desk research
 - Open meter
 - DSMR
 - Relevant research papers
- Interviews
 - Prosumer
 - GO

Finding – Stakeholders

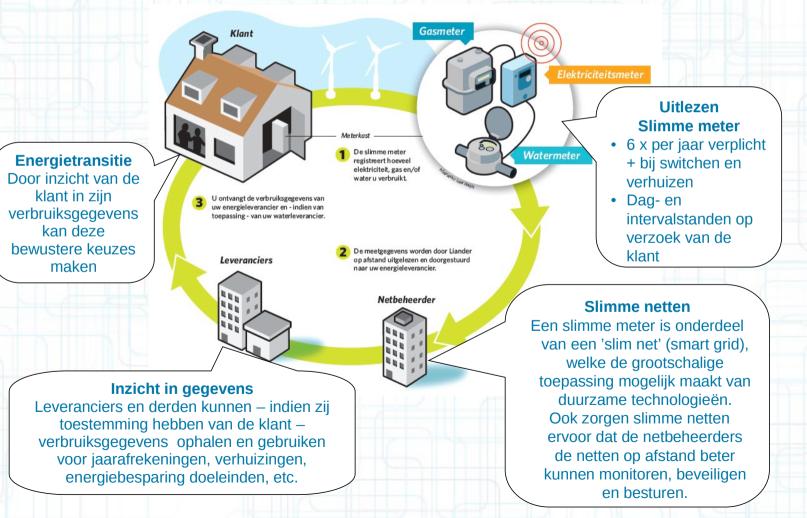


Finding - Legislation

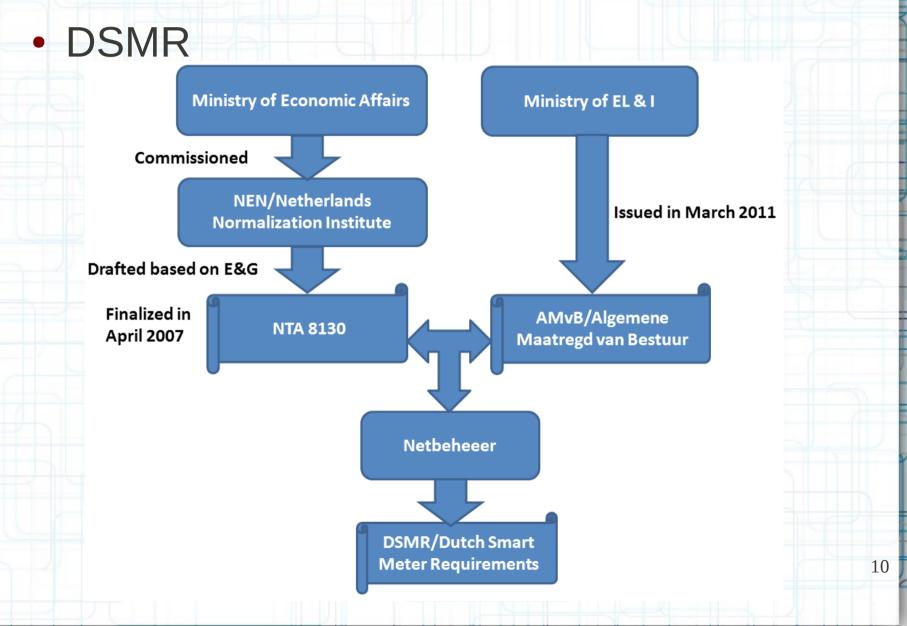
- EU \rightarrow NL \rightarrow NTA/AMvB \rightarrow DSMR
- The parliament will debate the policy (final) on 24th, June 2012 (news)
- GO is the owner of the whole infrastructure
- EDSN is the market facilitator
- NMA/Chamber of Energy carries the responsibility for checking if parties do follow the electricity and gas regulations
- Ownership of data depends on the type of information it contains
 - Privacy part
 - Technical part

Finding - Legislation

SC / ISP metering data reading



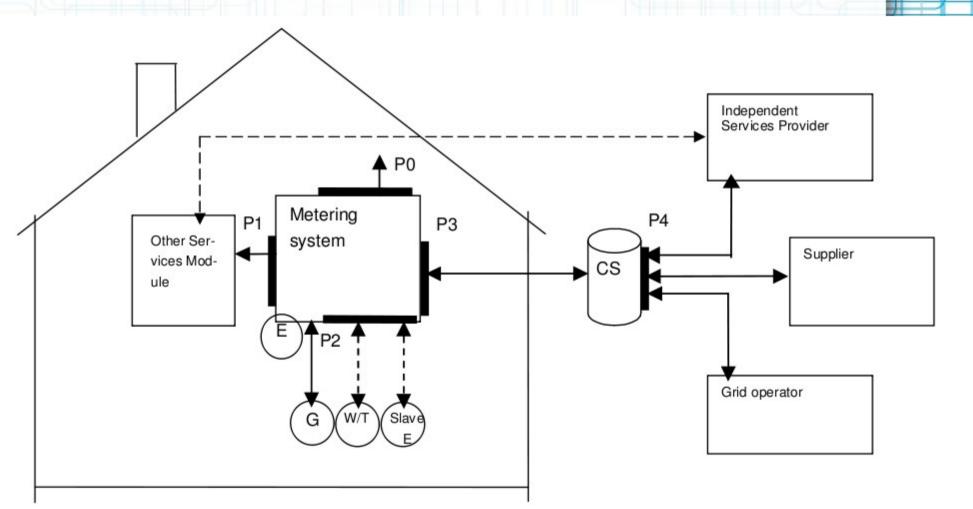
Smart Meter



Smart Meter

- GOs are purchasing and rolling out smart meters according to DSMR 2.2+ by now
- By 2013, they will use DSMR 4
- Two types of smart meters: PLC and GPRS
- By 2015, DSMR 5 (possibly EU standard)
- Kill switch available now, will be used starting from 2013

Smart meter



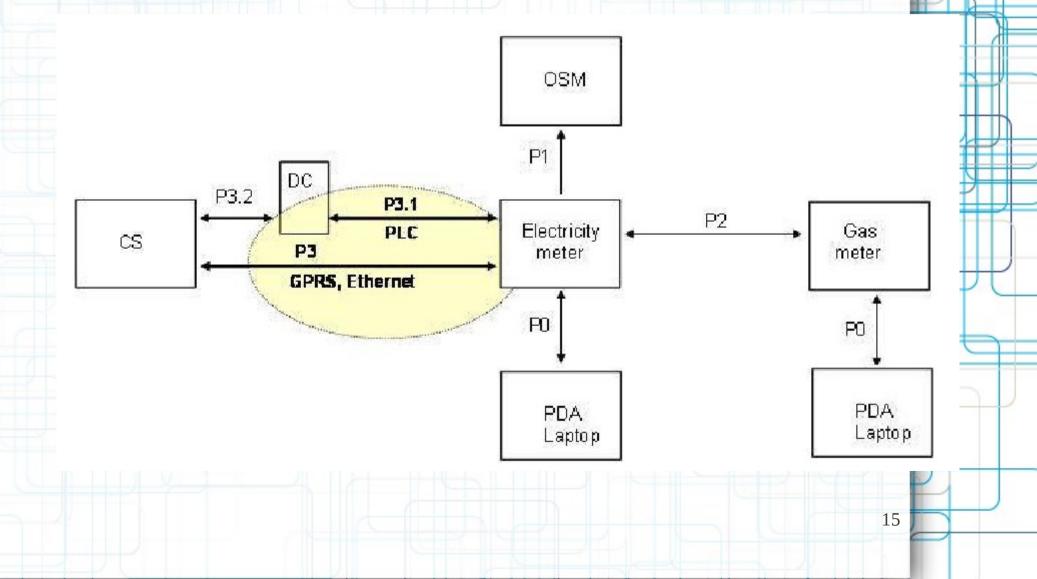
Smart Meter



Technology

- PLC (Power Line Carrier) use existing infrastructure
 - Prime / G3 PLC (both uses DLSM/Cosem)
 - DC (Data concentrator) at transformer station
- GPRS use mobile network
 - Need Teleco provider
 - GO choose Teleco for its own network
 - Direct connect to C-AR through local AR

Technology - PLC



Communication

- EDSN C-AR / ODA
 - Virtual port: P4
 - EDSN is the communication hub
 - C-AR for SC (supplier company)
 - ODA for ISP (independent service provider)
- GO, SC and ISP have to be certified
- Annual audit report has to be sent to GO from both SC and ISP to prove legal operation
- 6 times metering data reading by law
- 15 minutes interval for E and 60 minutes for G, data is read daily

Privacy is a big concern

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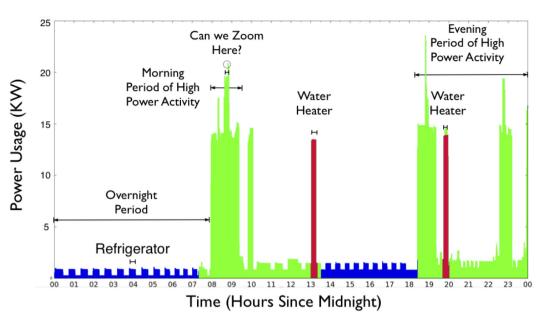
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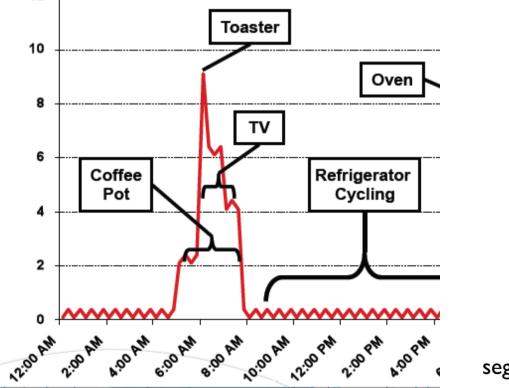
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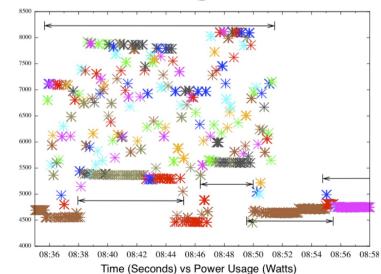
Usage (KW)



Basic patterns can be inferred with minimal analysis, even with power measurements every 30 seconds.



Morning Trace



There is a high correlation between power segments and consumer interaction with appliances.

Conclusion

- Core stakeholders from different interests groups and task domains
 - GO (owner of the infrastructure)
 - Prosumer (usage produce data)
 - EDSN (market facilitator)
 - Teleco providers (GPRS)
 - ISP (provide value-added services)
- The overall picture of the whole system
 - Metering networks (PLC & GPRS)
 - Local AR and C-AR
 - EDSN as communication hub
 - GO is the center part
 - EDSN will be the future center

Recommendations

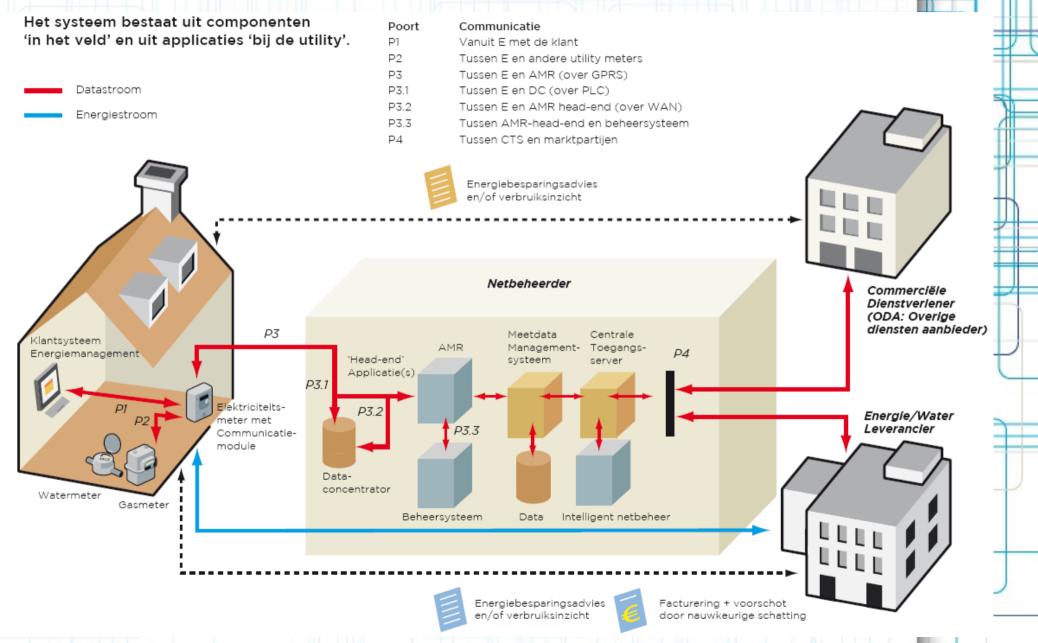
- Possible improvements
 - Security & Privacy
 - Check both base contract and extra contract
 - System & Network
 - Avoid potential bottleneck "EDSN"
 - Usability
 - User should be able to adjust the permission directly (DigID?)

That's IT! Thanks for your attention!

Facts

- Smart meter is more for consumption shifting, no direct saving
- Regulation and specification not final
 - EU regulation and standard maybe there
- Process not fully automated
- Bright future, but long way to go
 - Appliances mostly not ready/not available
 - Inter-section/inter-industry cooperate needed
 - Current situation is only a small part of the future big picture

Communication



Use case

• HAN (Home Area Network)

