



Automating Procedures in Continuous Process Applications using ISA 106

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Today's Goals

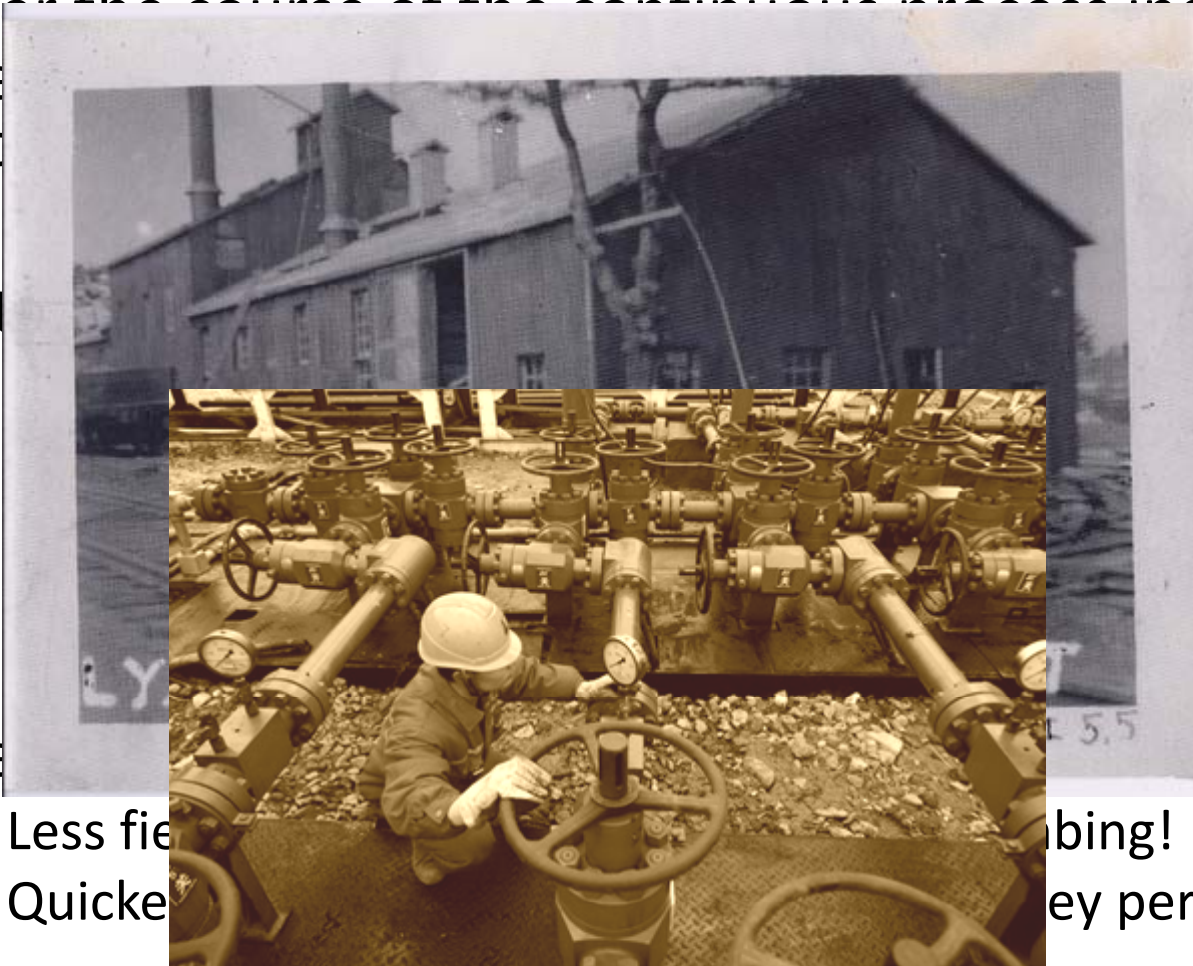
- Provide an overview of current standardization activities regarding automated procedures
- Explain how you can get started

Agenda

- Automated Procedures Introduction – Dave Emerson
 - Historical Perspective
 - ISA106 Standards Committee
 - Benefit Proposition
 - Examples
 - ISA-106 Technical Report Concepts
- Modular Procedural Automation (MPA) – Leila Myers
 - What is MPA?
 - Consulting Methodology
 - How to select the right tool for the job
 - Exapilot examples
 - CENTUM VP examples

Historical Perspective (1 of 3)

- Over the course of the continuous process industry's life the process has evolved
- In the early days of the continuous process industry
 - Simple
 - Small
 - Limited
- 1st half of the 20th century
 - Less flexible
 - Quick to change



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Historical Perspective (2 of 3)

- Remote actuators on valves introduced
 - Operators could manage larger parts of the process
 - Fewer field operators
- PID controllers removed operators from the loop
 - Operators now supervised loops, no longer performed control
 - Operators could manager larger parts of the process

Historical Perspective (3 of 3)

- Computer based control systems...Distributed Control Systems...Centralized control rooms...Advanced Process Control
 - more pieces of process equipment are merged into larger and more complex control strategies
 - Additional layers of abstraction takes place
- But, in most continuous process plants operators still perform most procedures manually
 - Complex procedures
 - Starting a distillation column
 - Repetitive procedures the operator adds little value to
 - Starting pump sets by controlling individual values and pump controls

Why Not Just Use ISA-88?

- In the 17 years since ISA-88 has been a standard it has been widely adopted in the batch industry, but only used on an individual basis in the continuous process industries
 - When used for continuous processes “tweaks” had to be made, so not a perfect fit
- Continuous processes have different characteristics from batch
 - Ingredients not treated the same
 - Many different procedures used, not always tied in a nice “recipe bundle”
 - Equipment independence not a significant factor
- No significant adoption, Time for something different
 - ISA106 is an attempt to get the continuous process industries to discuss and standardize procedure automation holistically
 - Goal: Make procedure automation an expected part of any capital project

ISA-106

- ISA standards committee
- Creating a standard
 - Procedure Automation for Continuous Process Operations
- Membership
 - Owner/Operators, Suppliers, Consultants
 - Open to any interested person or company



Membership (partial)

- ABB
- Aramco Services Co
- AREVA
- Bayer MaterialScience
- BP Lubricants
- Braskem
- CDM Smith
- CH2M HILL
- Chevron
- Conocophillips
- DSM Corporate Operations
- DuPont
- Emerson Process Management
- ExxonMobil
- Herman Storey Consulting
- Honeywell
- Innovatia
- Invensys
- Mustang Automation and Control
- NovaTech Process Solutions
- PAS
- Prosys
- Rockwell Automation
- RSI Simcon
- Saudi Aramco
- Savannah River Nuclear Solutions
- Shell
- The Dow Chemical Company
- Valero Energy Corp
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Committee Work Items

- Recently completed the first of three Technical Reports
 - TR #1 - Procedure Automation for Continuous Process Operations - Models and Terminology
 - TR #2 – Examples
 - TR #3 – Automated Procedure Life-cycle
- Standard will be produced based upon the Technical Reports and industry feedback

Benefit Proposition

- Automating procedures
 - Improves business results
 - Reduces risk – fewer operational errors
 - Ensures compliance
- Studies have shown that procedure errors are a primary cause of many incidents

Procedural Operations

- ALL process operations in ALL industries have procedural operations
 - Normal, safe operation
 - Change of state e.g. Start up, Shut down, Transition
- Procedures may be:
 - Operator Knowledge (Tribal lore)
 - Manual via Written SOP's
 - Semi-Automated
 - Automated

Refinery Incidents - FAT/CATs

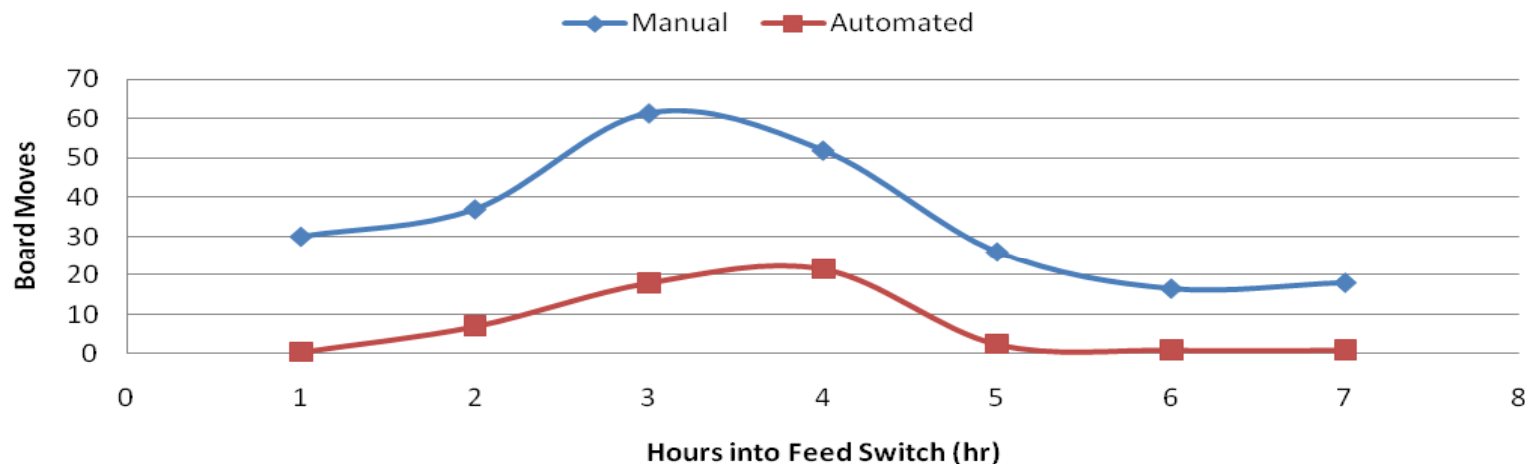
- Kern Oil Refinery in Bakersfield, California on January 19, 2005
 - Incident killed one employee and caused multiple injuries to other employees
 - Crude unit start-up
 - Workers over pressurized a pump casing which catastrophically ruptured, releasing and igniting hot oil that immediately exploded
- Giant Industries Ciniza Refinery, Gallup, New Mexico, April 8, 2004
 - 6 employees were injured, 4 requiring hospitalization with serious burn injuries
 - During hydrofluoric acid (HF) alkylation unit maintenance a shut-off valve was not closed as required, caused release of flammable liquids and vapors which caused subsequent explosions

Typical Targets for Automated Procedure

- Refining
 - Transition Management - Crude Switchover
 - Regeneration
- Petrochemical
 - Startup / Shutdown
 - Transition Management – Grade Changes
 - Line Switchover
 - Cleaning
- Polymers
 - Grade change
 - Switchover
- Furnaces
 - Decoking

Refinery – Transition Automation

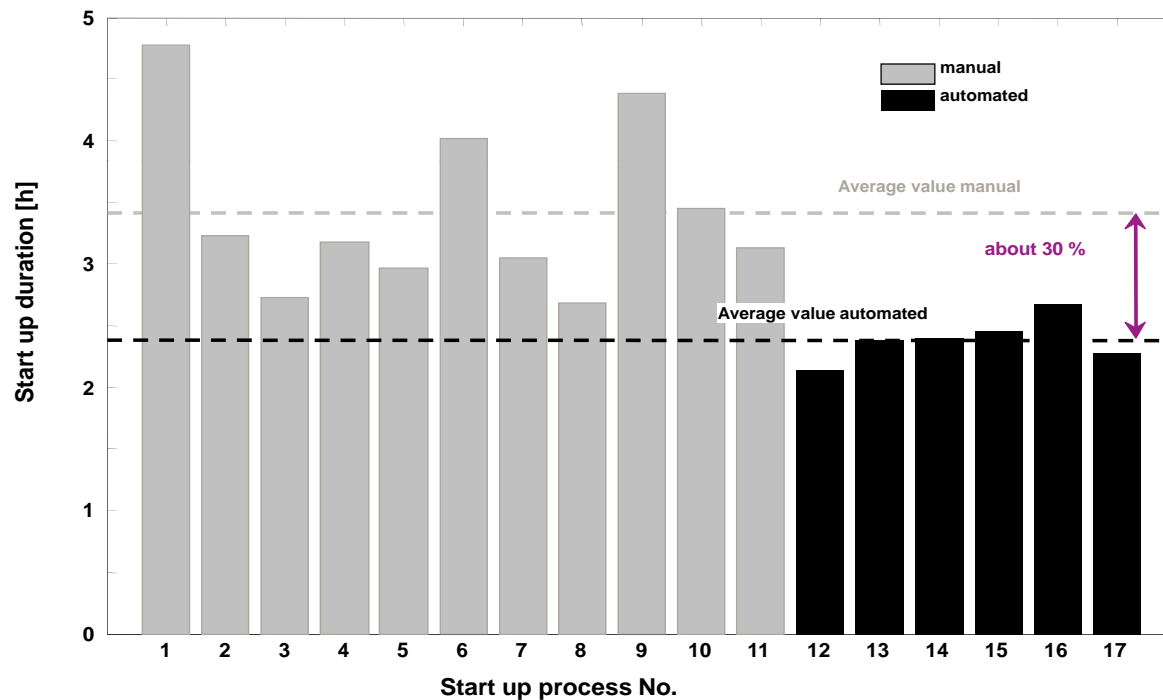
- Opportunity to automate a feed switch
- Benefits:
 - Operator workload reduced by 60%
 - A 42% reduction in product yield loss
 - Increased feed throughput during transition by 18%
 - Reduced feed switch transition time by 36%



Console Operator Moves per Hour Comparison from paper "Improving Refinery Unit Transitions Using Process Automation Technology in a base Oil Hydroprocessing Facility. AIChE Spring 2011 Robert M. Tsai, Chevron, Richmond, CA

Acrylic Acid Production

Start up procedure of a column



- Start-up time to steady state was reduced by 30%
- Less variability in start-up time
- Reactors able to come on stream 70% faster
- Process safety margins, of explosive conditions during startup, were significantly increased

NPRA 2011: AM-11-67 New Developments and Best Practices in Automating Procedural Operations for Continuous Processes

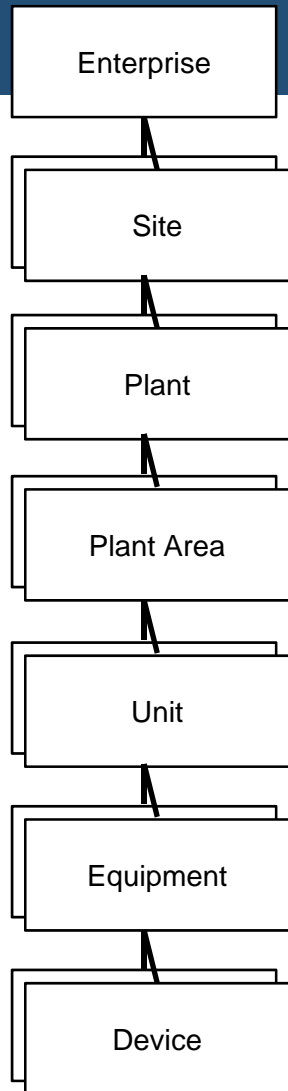
Benefits Derived from Automating Procedures

- Improved safety performance
- Improved reliability
 - More consistent operation
- Reduced losses
 - Fewer operator errors
 - Improved responses to disturbances
- Increased Production
 - Faster & more consistent startups and shutdowns
 - More efficient transitions
- Improved Operator Effectiveness
 - Automated procedures are tools for the operator
- Knowledge capture
 - Improved training
- Improved insight into the process
 - Design process can improve procedures

Models and Terminology

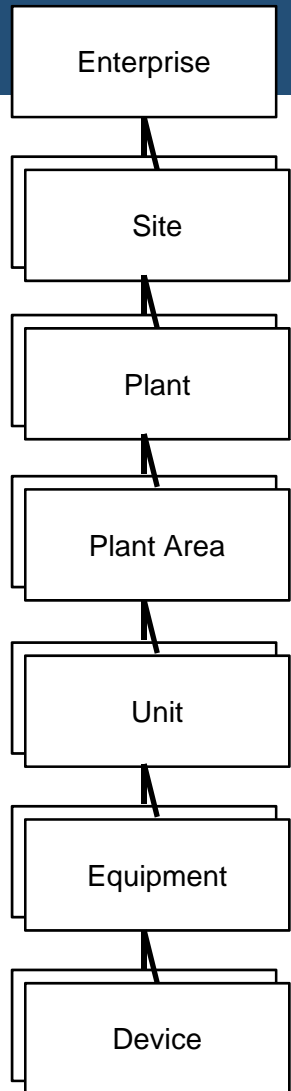
- 1st Technical Report
 - States committee's current thinking on how to organize and approach procedure automation
- Models
 - Concepts to give the industry a common mental model for automated procedures
- Terminology
 - Definitions to give the industry a common language for automated procedures

Physical Model



- ❖ Organizes physical equipment into a hierarchy
- ❖ Provides a common set of terms and equipment levels for companies & industries to map their terms to
 - Common terms enable products and people to work more efficiently with different owner/operators.
- ❖ Physical model is the foundation of the ISA-106 work
 - Each item in the model can have procedures

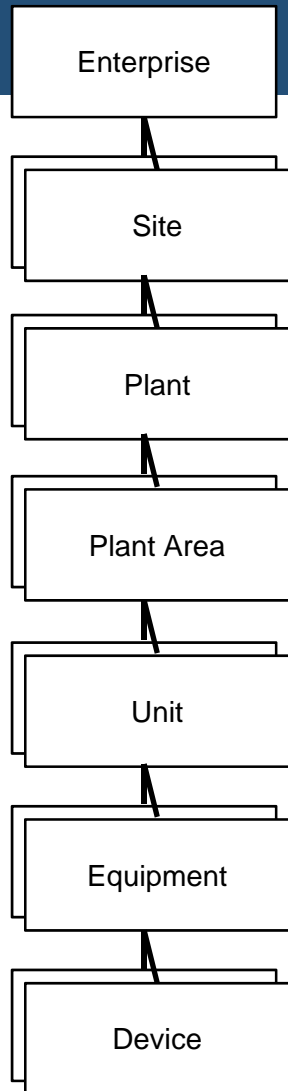
Physical Model - Today



Results of committee owner/operator terminology

| ISA-106 | Chemical Company | Oil Refinery | Offshore Oil Platform Example 1 | Offshore Oil Platform Example 2 | Paper Industry |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Enterprise | Enterprise | | | Field | |
| Site | Site | Site | Platform | Platform | |
| Plant | Plant | Complex | | Package | Mill |
| Plant Area | Area | Plant | | | |
| Unit | Unit | Unit | | | |
| Equipment | Equipment | | | | |
| Device | Device | Device | | | |

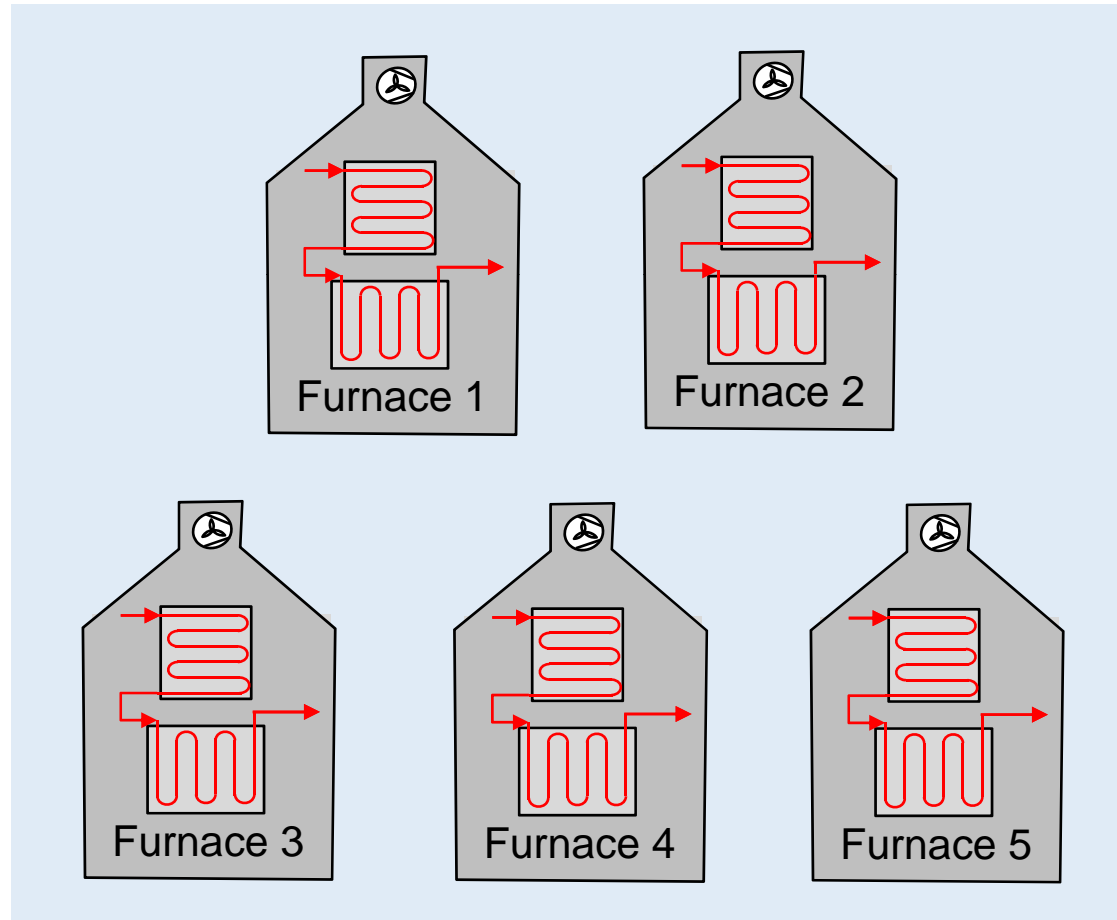
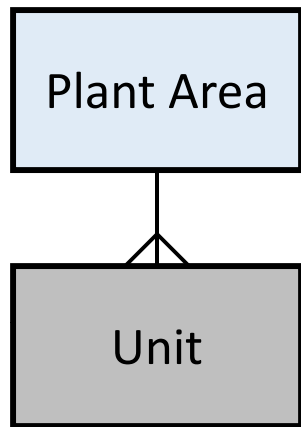
Physical Model - Examples



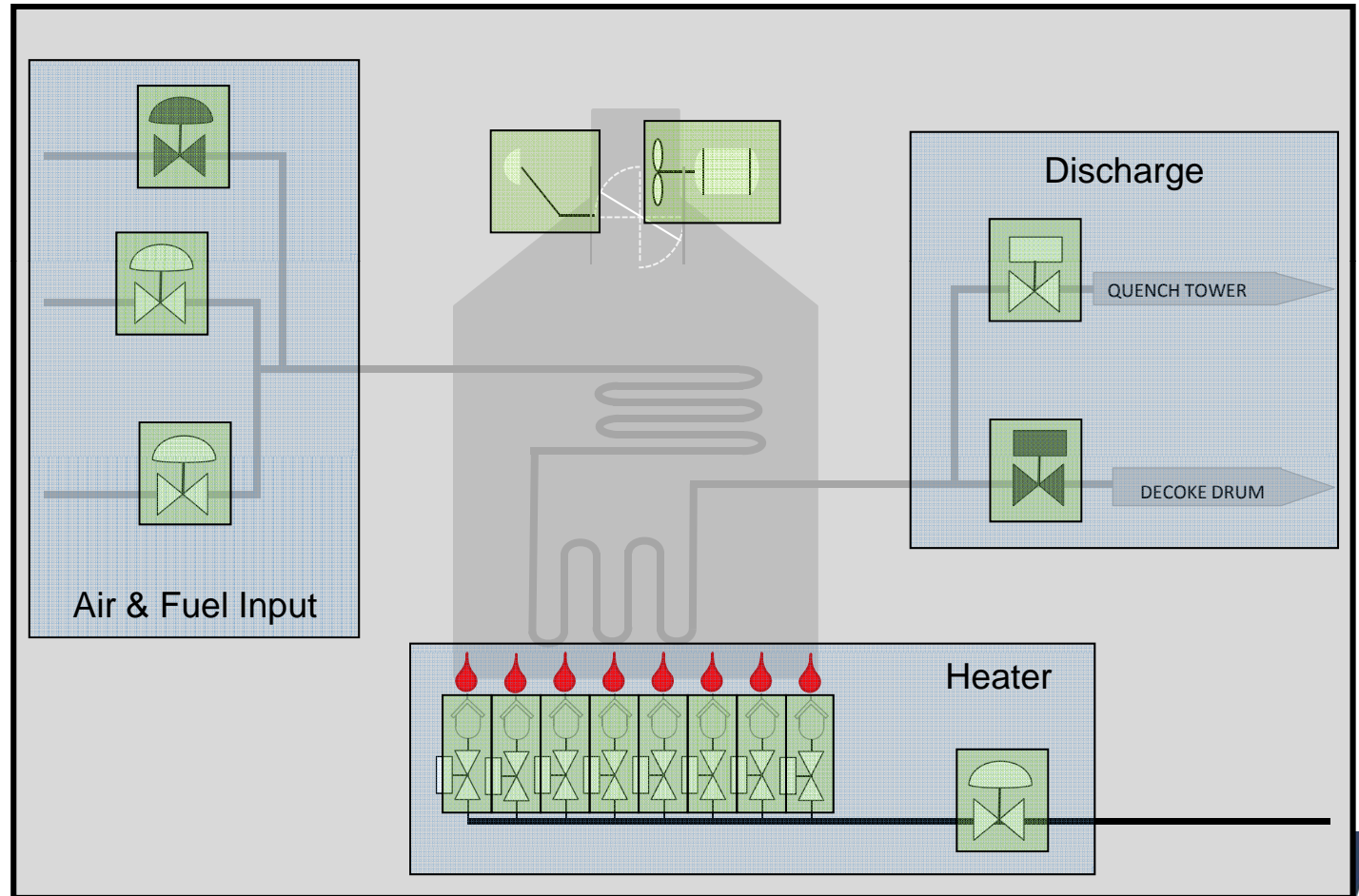
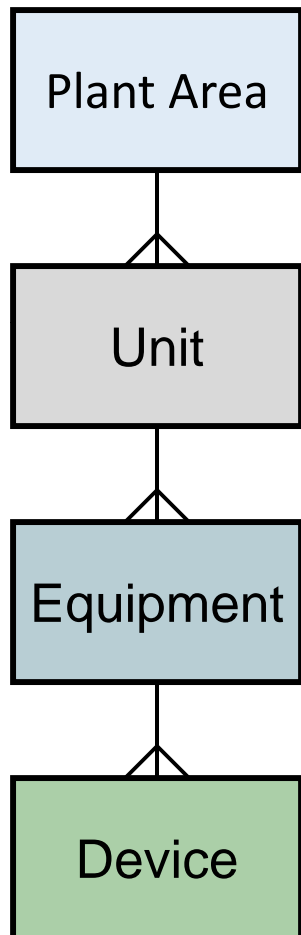
Results of committee owner/operator terminology

| Enterprise | Corporate | Division | Business Unit | | |
|------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Site | Complex | Train | Facility | Verbund | Field |
| Plant | Platform | Train | | | |
| Plant Area | Separation | Train | Sub-sea | Gas Compression | Dehydration |
| | Injection | Utilities | Water Treating | Production Manifold | Wells |
| Unit | Separator | Dry/Wet Oil Tanks | Pipeline Pumps | Hydrocyclone | Compressor |
| Equipment | Pump Set | Feed System | Reboiler | Sampling System | Compressor |
| Device | Control Valve | Transmitter | Pump | Analyzer | |

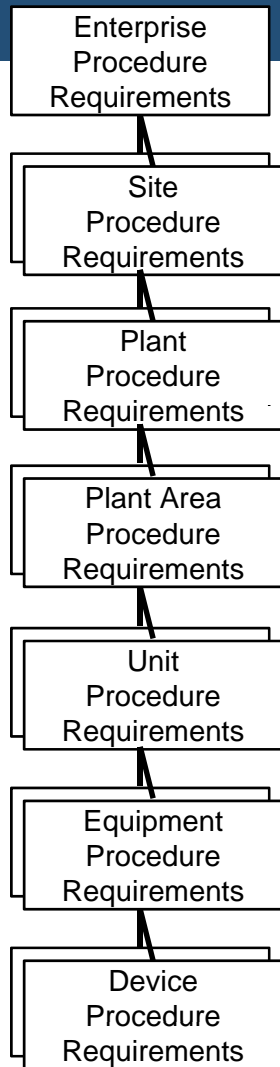
Ethylene Furnace Example



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Procedure Requirements Model



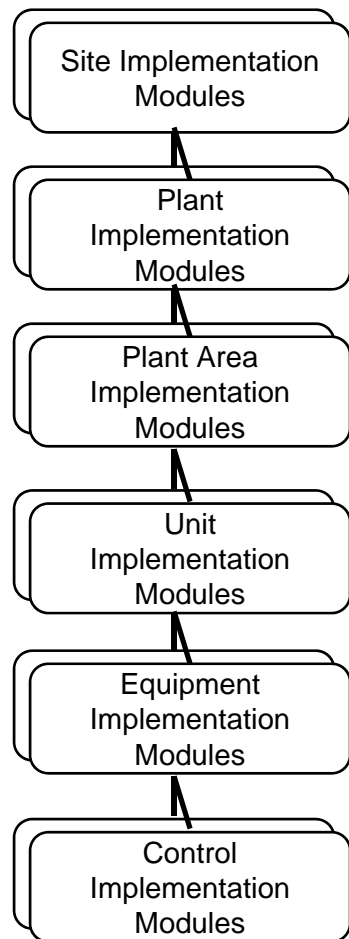
❖ Procedures are associated with objects in the physical model

- Most common for units, equipment and devices

❖ Definition of the procedure

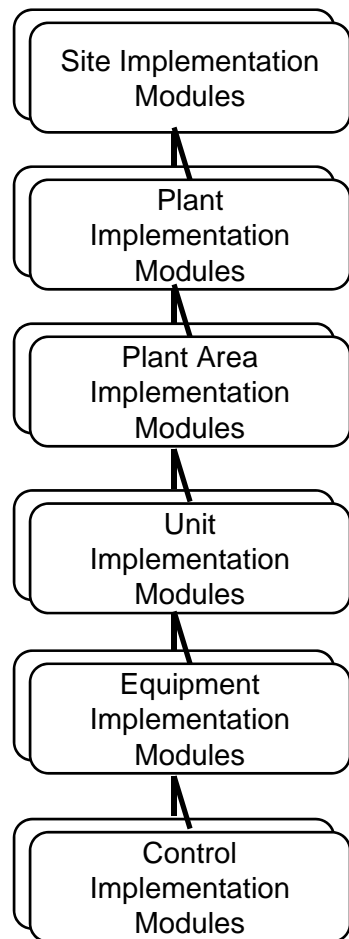
- What must be done to accomplish it's objective
- Functional requirement for the automated procedure

Procedure Implementation Model

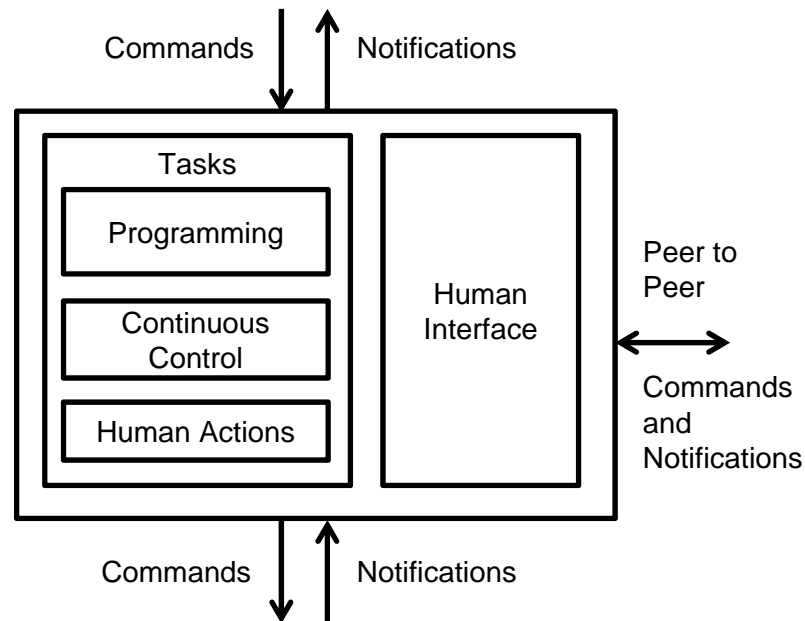


- ❖ The actual automated procedure
 - Program, function block, sequential function chart, flowchart,...
- ❖ The design of implementation modules is an engineering process
 - Procedure requirements are the specification
 - Not always a 1:1 mapping with procedure requirements

Implementation Modules

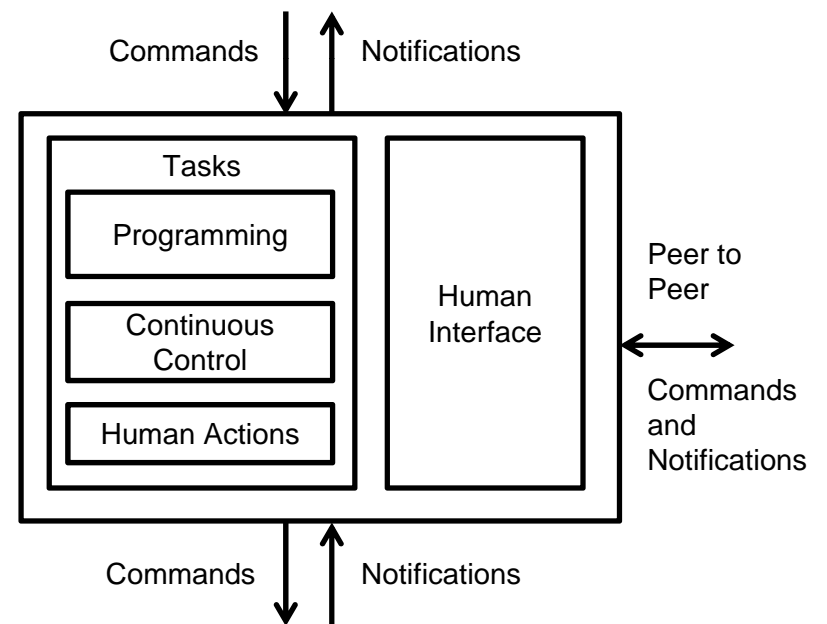


- ❖ Consist of a set of ordered tasks
 - Tasks may contain tasks
- ❖ Tasks perform step by step actions

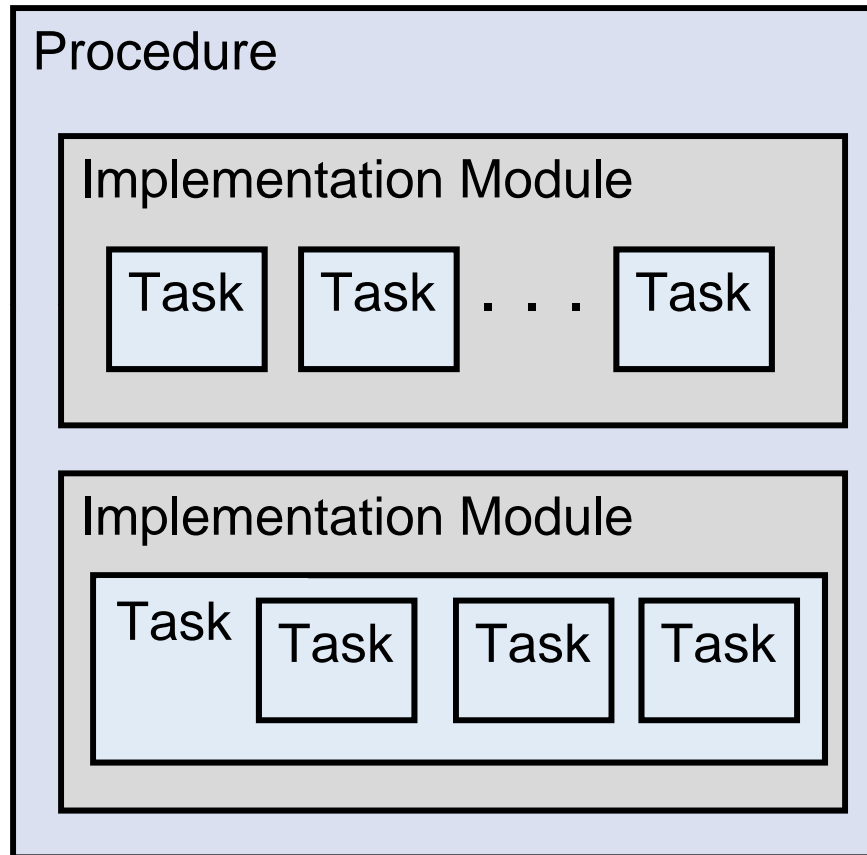


Implementation Modules

- Implementation methods are any type of tool used to create a task.
 - Programming
 - Continuous Control
 - Human Actions.
- Examples of programming types
 - Computer programs
 - Configurable function blocks
 - Continuous control functions
 - Executable flowcharts.
 - Procedure Function Charts (PFC)
 - Sequential Function Charts (SFC)



Procedure Execution



- Each Procedure, Implementation Module & Task has 3 execution work items
 - **Command** – Trigger
 - **Perform** – Actions
 - **Verify** – Success/Failure
- Computer/Human Mix
 - C-P-V work items can be done by a computer or human

Command >>>> **Perform** >>>> **Verify**

Implementation Module Execution

- Three work items are typically used for implementation module execution:
 - Command – The trigger to initiate the implementation module. When received this causes the implementation module to perform its tasks.
 - Perform – The execution of an implementation module's tasks.
 - Verify - Verification that the implementation module's tasks were performed successfully or failed.

Automation Styles

- Organization of the structure of the implementation module such as using procedure sections or process states
- Use of computer or operator action for command, perform, verify
- Amount of precision used for verification
- Human machine interface philosophy
- Degree of automation from minimal automation to complex automation

Automation Style Examples

- Manual
 - The Operator is responsible for the command, perform and verify work items, minimal automation is used
- Computer Assisted
 - Operator and computer share responsibility for the command, perform and verify work items. The amount of automation used may vary.
- Fully Automated
 - Computer is responsible for the bulk of the command, perform and verify work items.

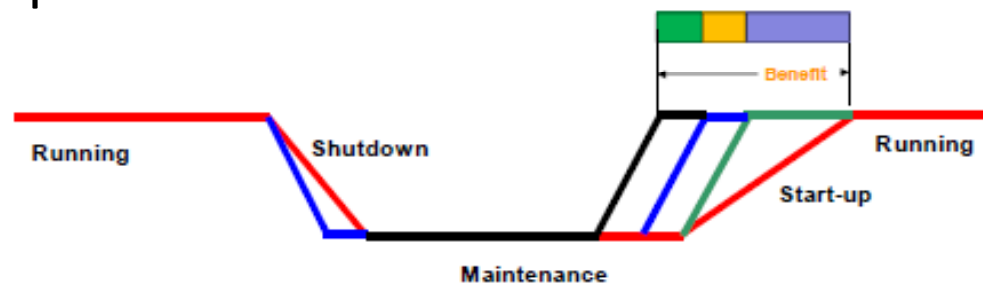
Operator Notifications

| Operator Notification Types | Operator is expected to take an action | Operator might need to be aware but is not required to take action |
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| Arises from an abnormal process or equipment situation (ISA-18.2) | Alarm | Alert |
| Arises from a normal situation (ISA-106) | Prompt | Status Notification |

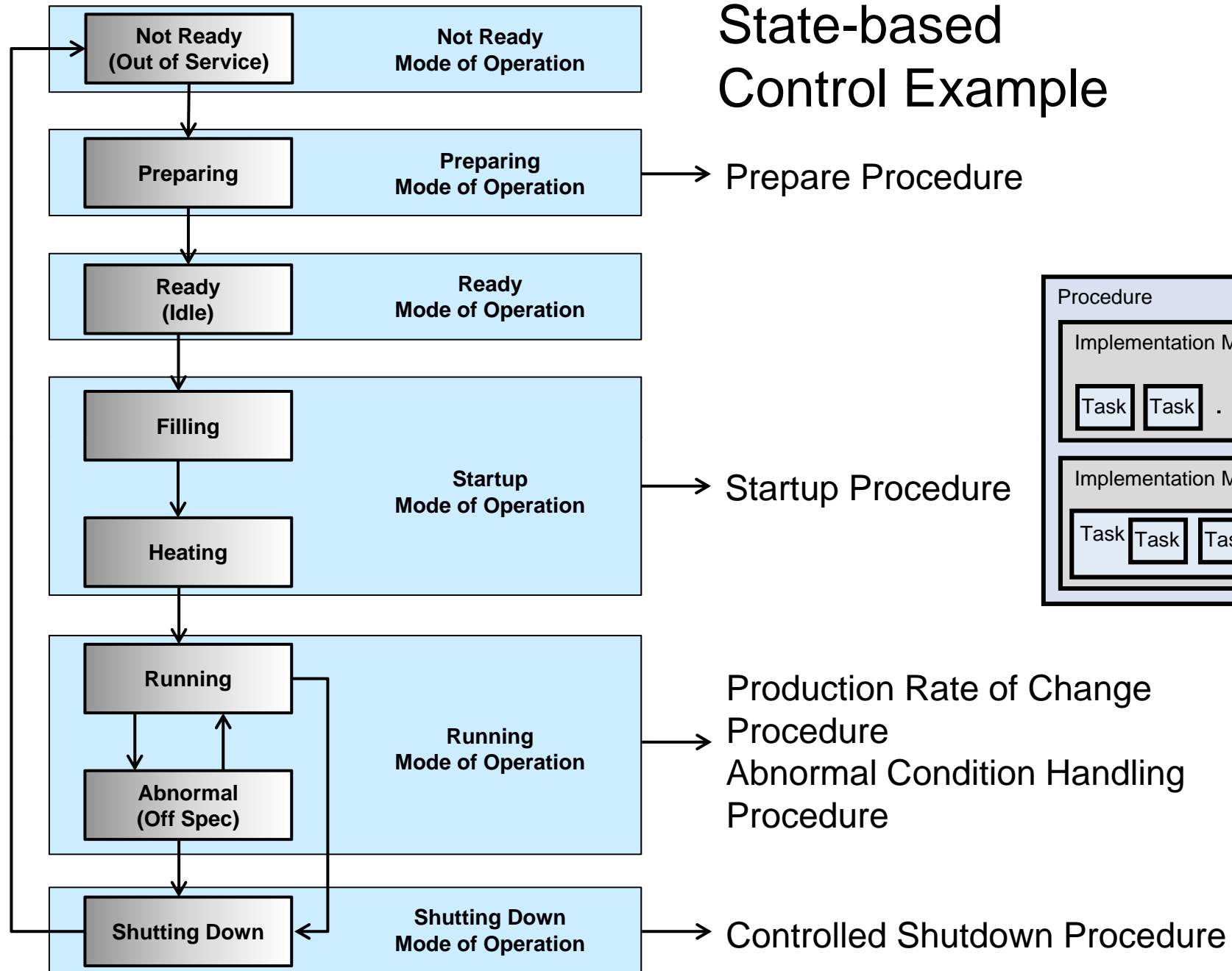
ISA-106 has worked with ISA-18.2
which has published an alarm management standard

State-based Control

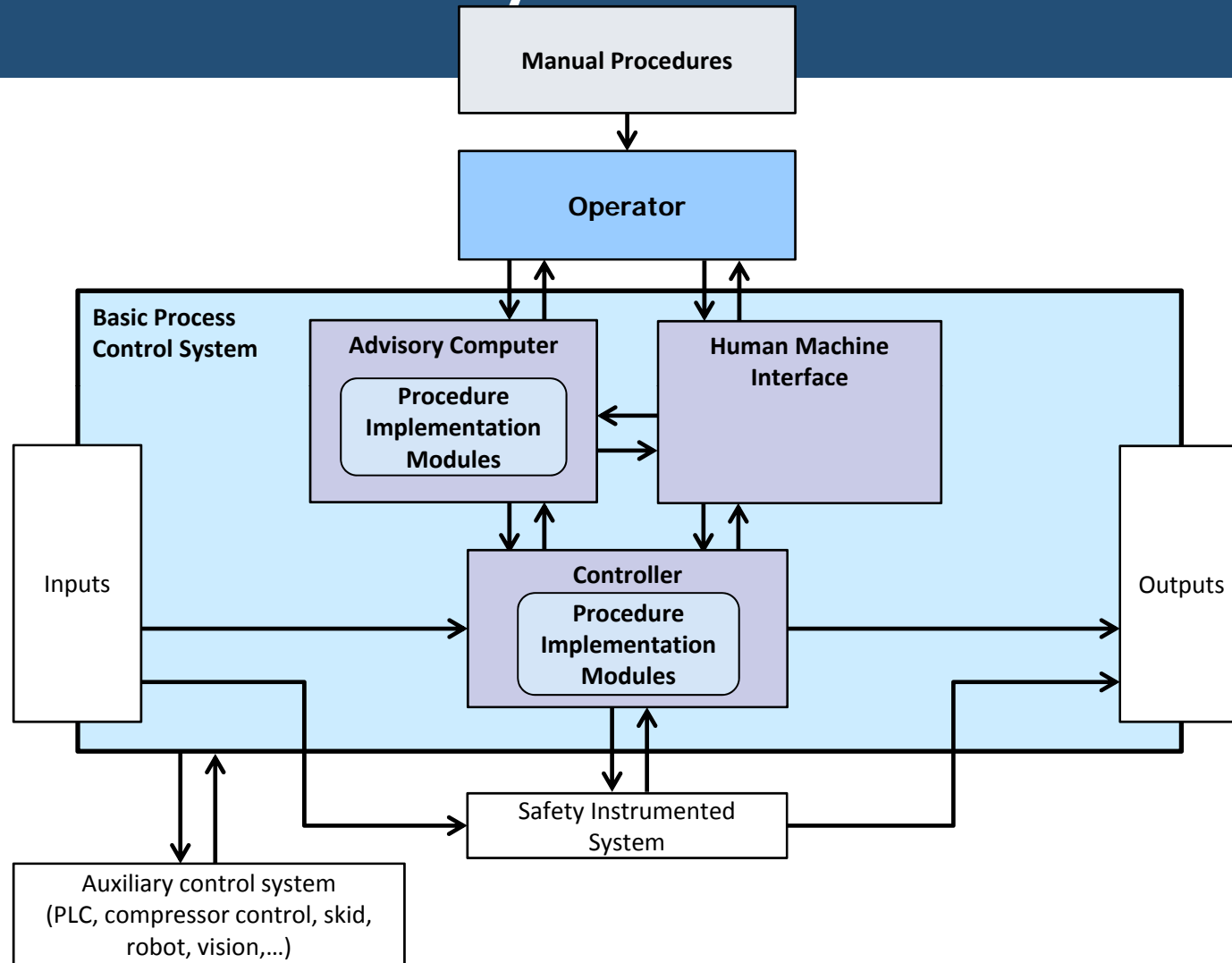
- A plant automation control design technique that assigns process states and defined transition procedures
 - Most effective at the unit level
 - Provides a high degree of automation
 - Startup, Shutdown, Transitions, Abnormal Situation Responses



State-based Control Example

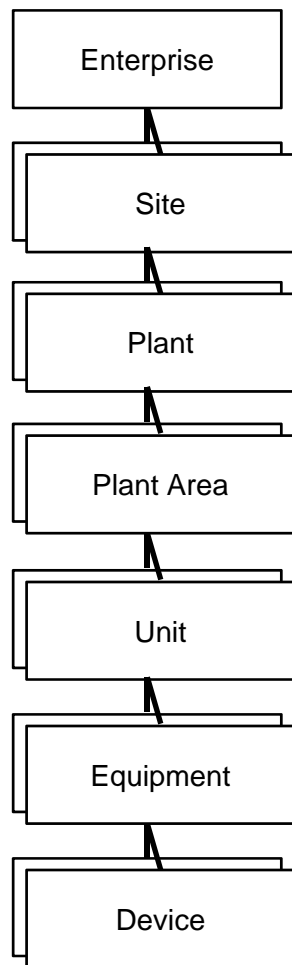


Control System Architecture

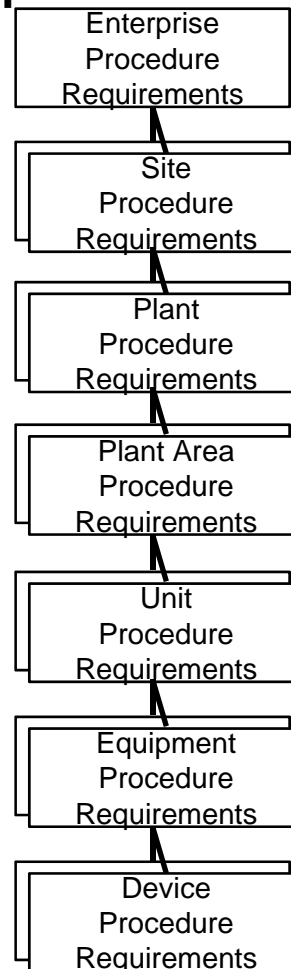


ISA-106 Key Models

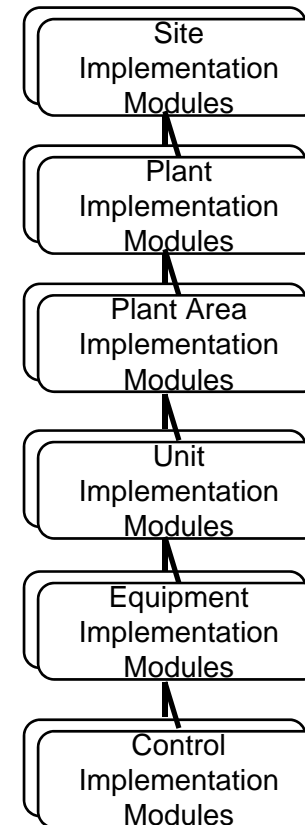
Physical Model



Procedure Requirements Model



Procedure Implementation Model



Part 1 Summary

- Automated procedures in continuous process operations can help make a plant safer & more competitive
- Automated procedures are not widely used today
 - Great opportunity for improvement
- ISA-106 is open to all interested parties
 - ISA membership is not required
- TR #1 is the first step
 - We need more industry input

Thank you

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