



# Power Grid Model

A High-Performance Distribution Grid Calculation Library

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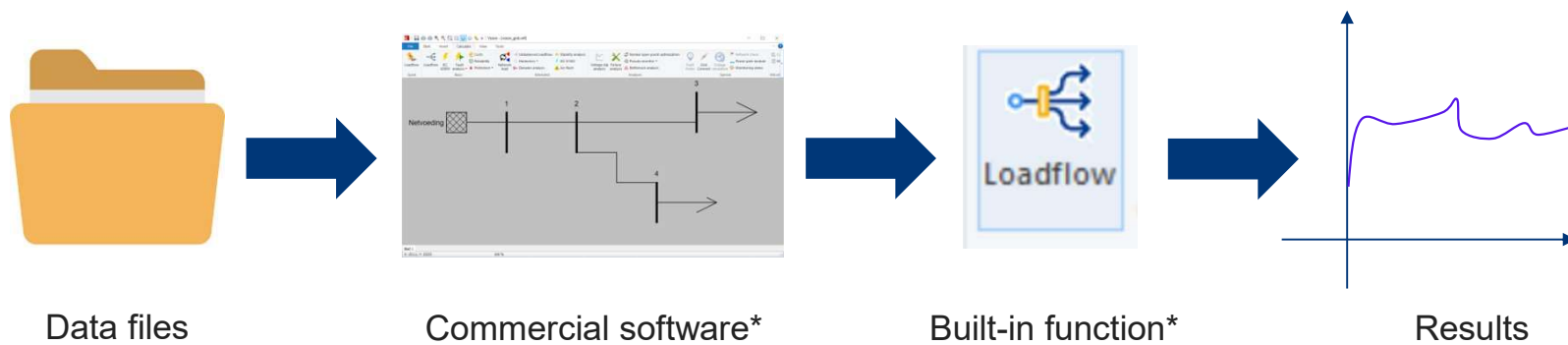
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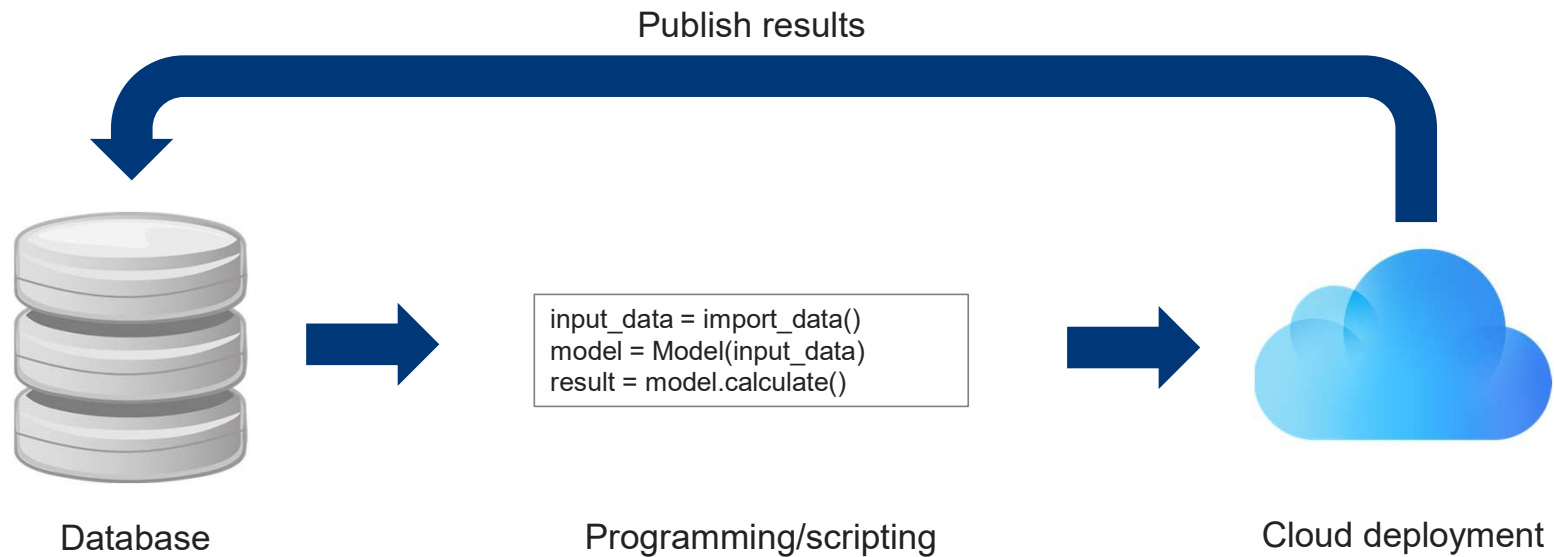
# Summary

- Power Grid Model: an open-source project for distribution power system calculation
  - <https://github.com/PowerGridModel>
- In this presentation
  - Why a new project?
  - What is Power Grid Model?
  - How does it perform?
  - Deployment inside Alliander
  - Road to open-source

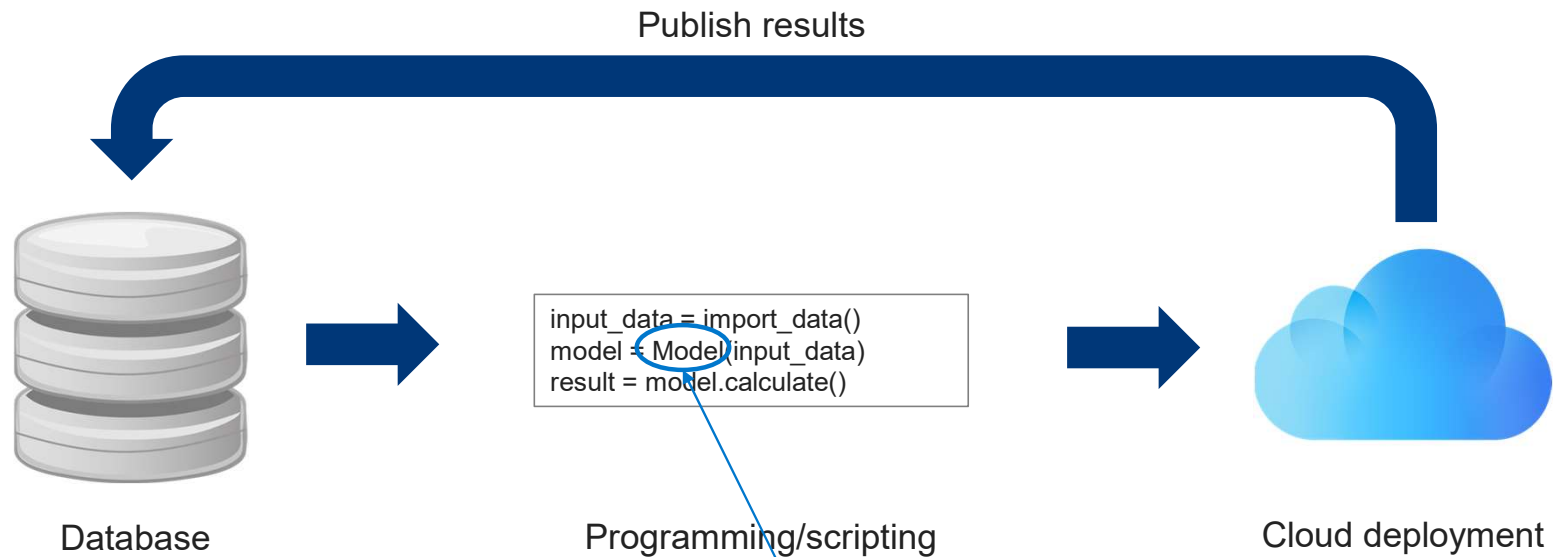
# Traditional workflow for power system analysis



# Modern workflow for power system analysis



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What makes a good power system calculation model/library?

# Why Power Grid Model (PGM)?

- Unique propositions of Power Grid Model

Well-defined  
Software API

High performance

Native  
parallelization



Cross-platform

Scalability

# Power Grid Model

- Power System Calculation Functionalities
- Symmetric and asymmetric calculation
- Power flow
  - Newton-Raphson
  - Iterative current (equivalent to backwards/forwards for radial network)
  - Linear current (approximation)
  - Linear impedance (approximation)
- State estimation
  - Iterative linear method
- Short circuit calculation

# Power Grid Model

- Power System Calculation Functionalities
- Efficient implementation in C++
  - Native shared-memory multi-threading for parallelization in batch calculations
- API in Python
  - Stable and easy-to-use
  - Well-documented
- Cross-platform
  - Publish binary Python packages in PyPI and conda-forge
  - <https://pypi.org/project/power-grid-model/>
  - <https://anaconda.org/conda-forge/power-grid-model>
  - Built for Windows (x64), Linux (x64/arm64), macOS (x64/arm64)



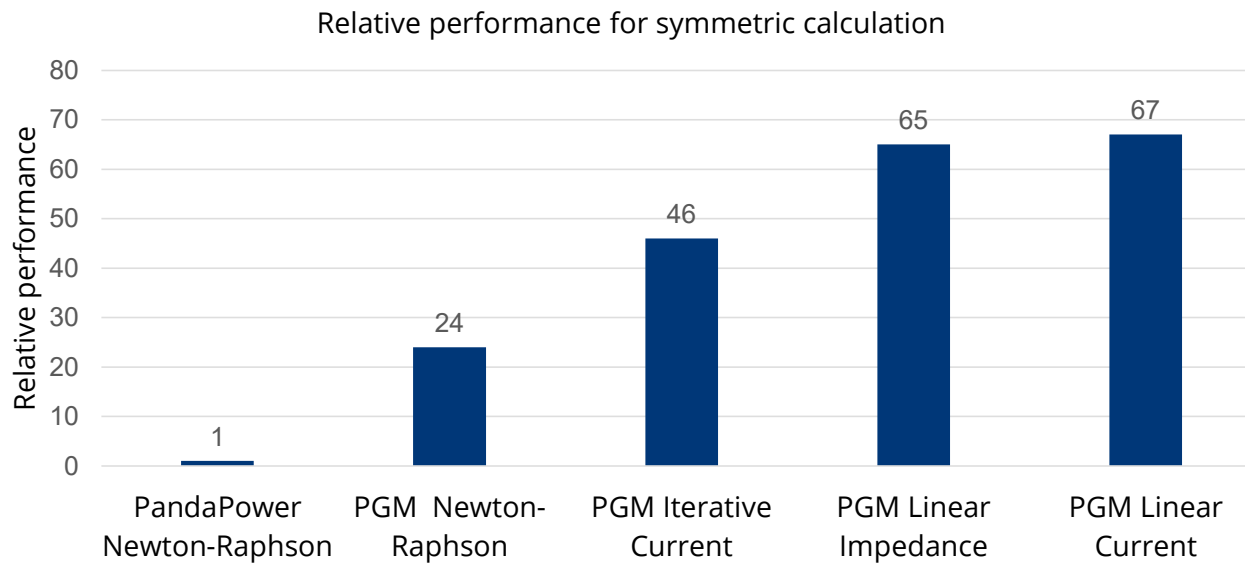
# Model Validation

- Validation of the library against reference models with 80+ test cases
  - Hand calculation
  - Vision
  - Gaia
  - PowerFactory
  - PandaPower
- Continuous validation as part of CI pipeline in GitHub Actions

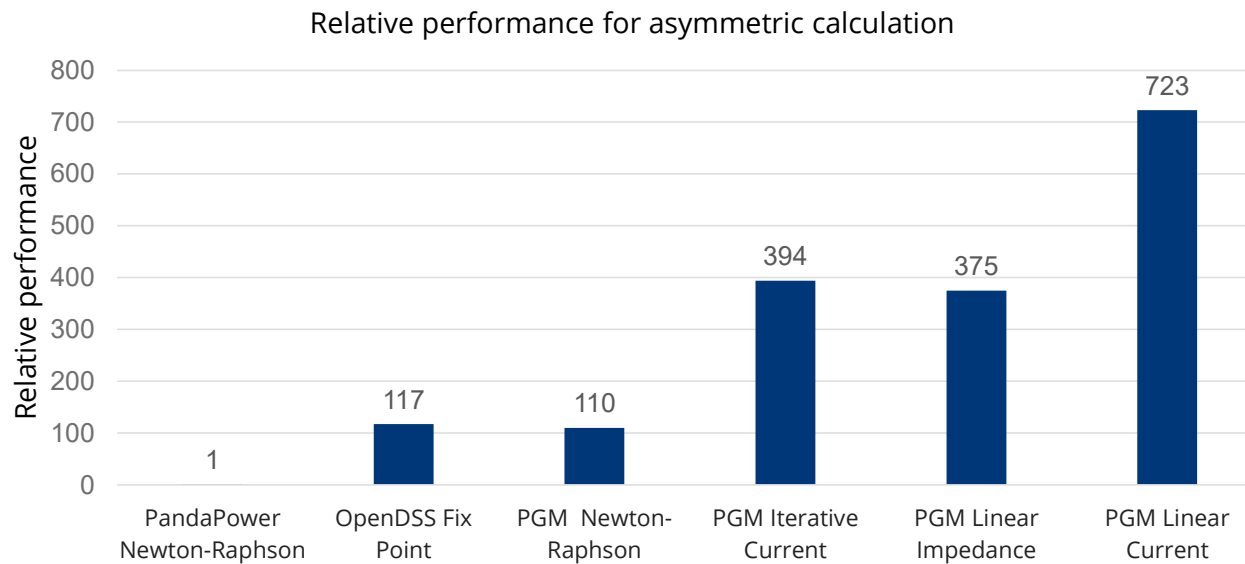
# Performance Benchmark

- Compare performance of Power Grid Model, PandaPower, and OpenDSS
  - <https://github.com/PowerGridModel/power-grid-model-benchmark>
  - 1000 nodes radial network
  - Time-series symmetric and asymmetric power flow calculation in 1000 steps
  - Testing environment: Intel i7-12700H, 64 GB RAM, single-thread in Linux (WSL)
  - Library version:
    - power-grid-model == 1.4.65
    - Pandapower == 2.12.1
    - dss-python == 0.14.1

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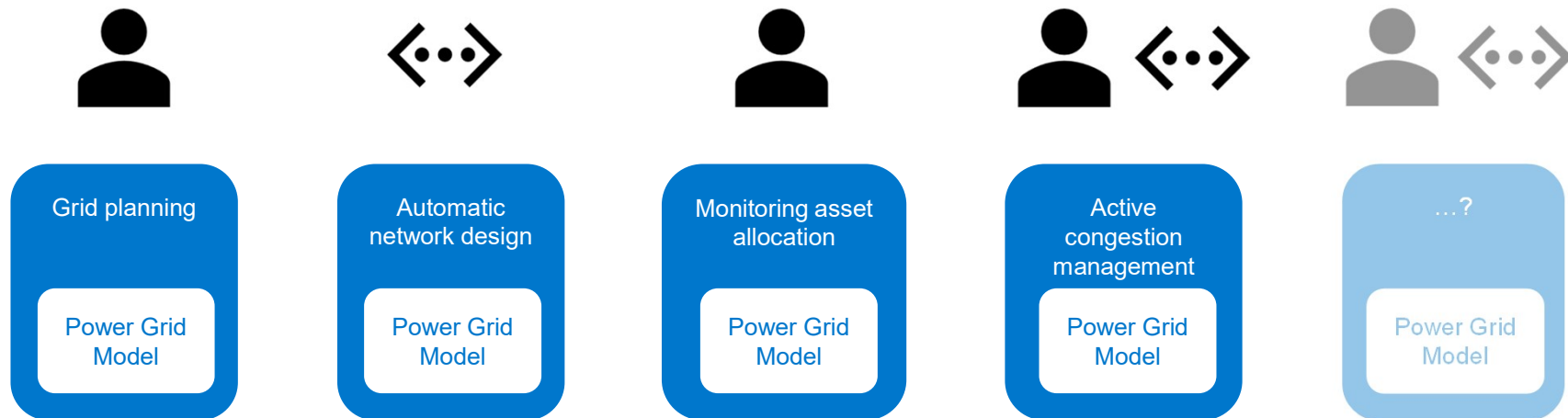
# Current Deployment

- Data conversions
  - CIM
  - Vision
  - GridCal
  - PandaPower
  - Gaia (pending)

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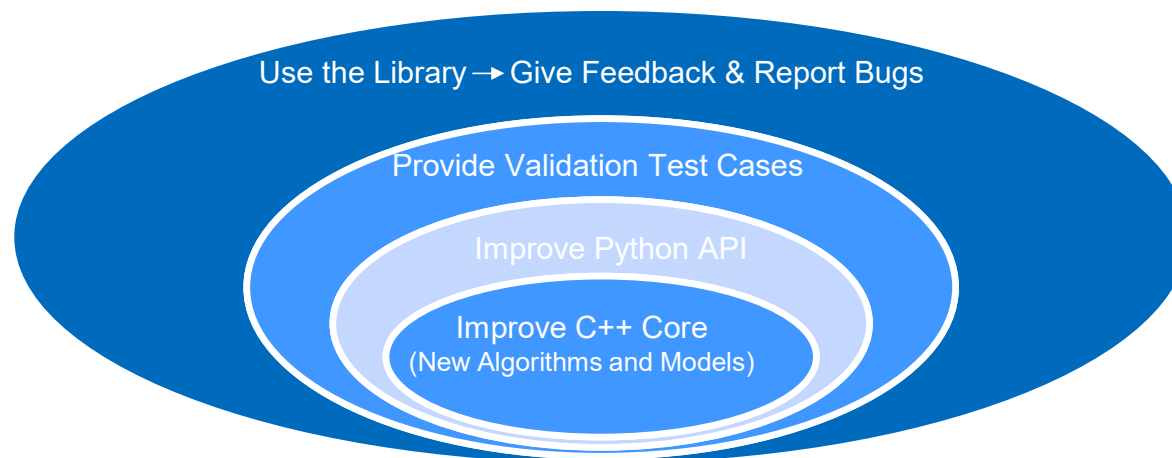
A fundamental building block for Alliander

- Deployed in 10+ applications inside Alliander



# Road to Open Source

- Ways of collaboration and contribution\*



\* <https://github.com/PowerGridModel/.github/blob/main/CONTRIBUTING.md>

# Road to Open Source

- Current active partner

