

# Creating Infinite Possibilities.

Planned Maintenance Tool (PMT): A Data-Driven Approach to Recommending the Best Time for Planned-Maintenance

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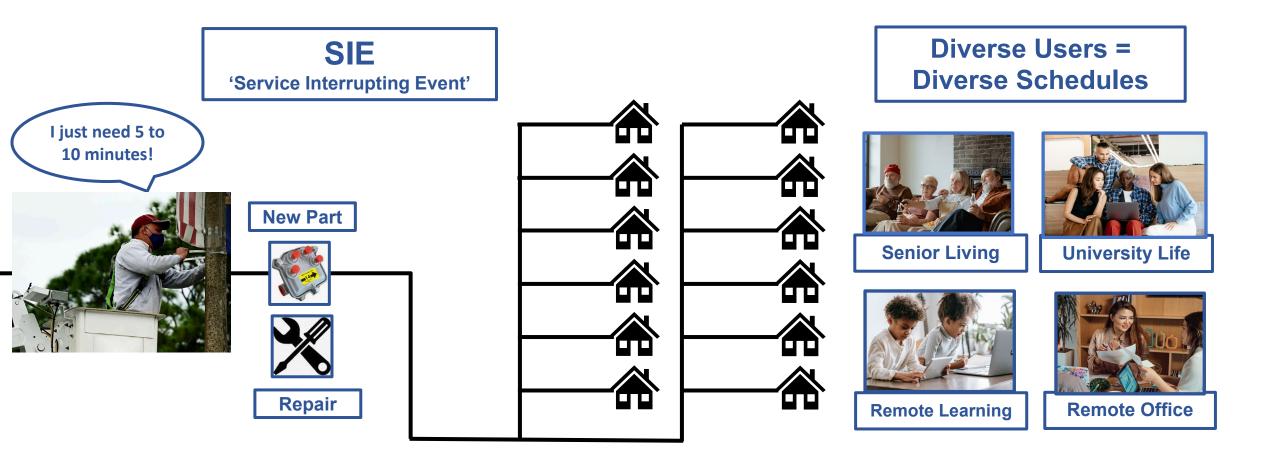
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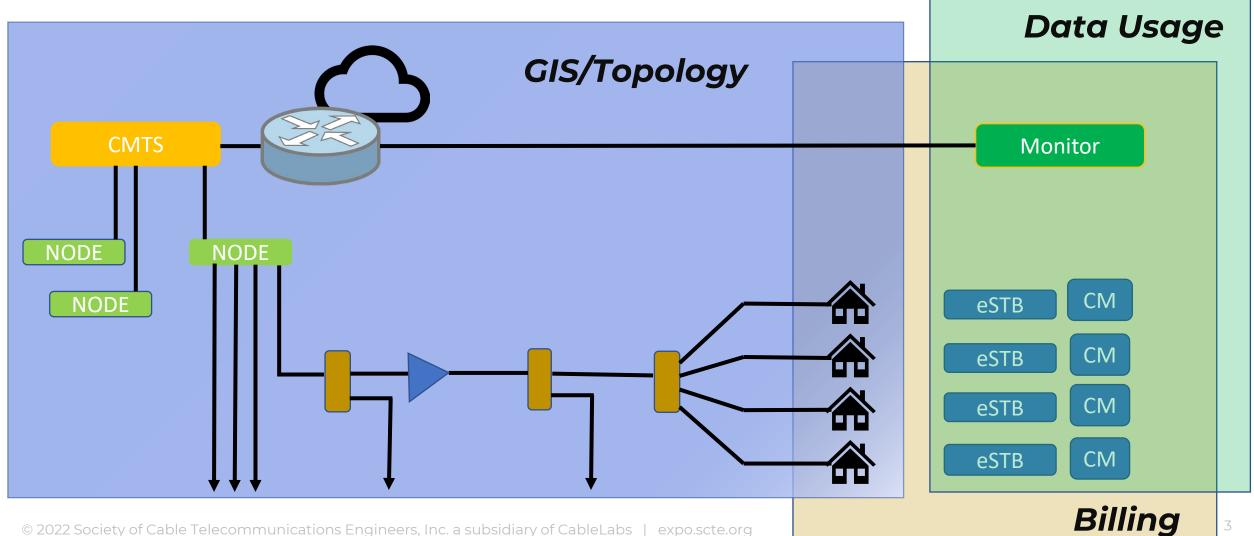


## PMT - Introduction





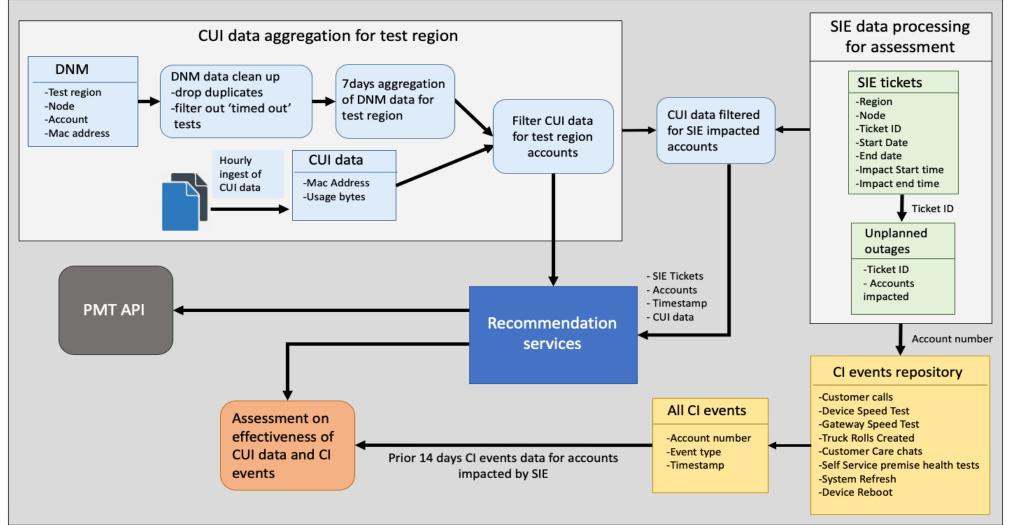
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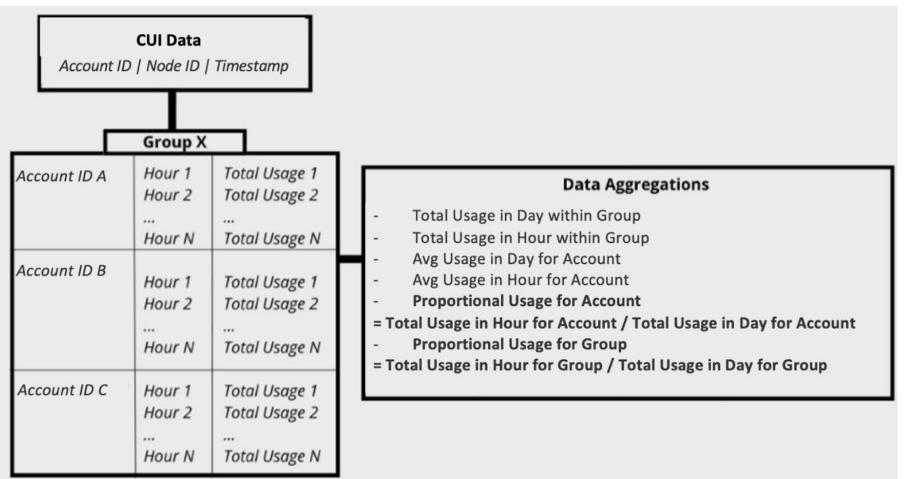


### Data-Driven Approach to Maintenance





# PMT Algorithm – Data Aggregation



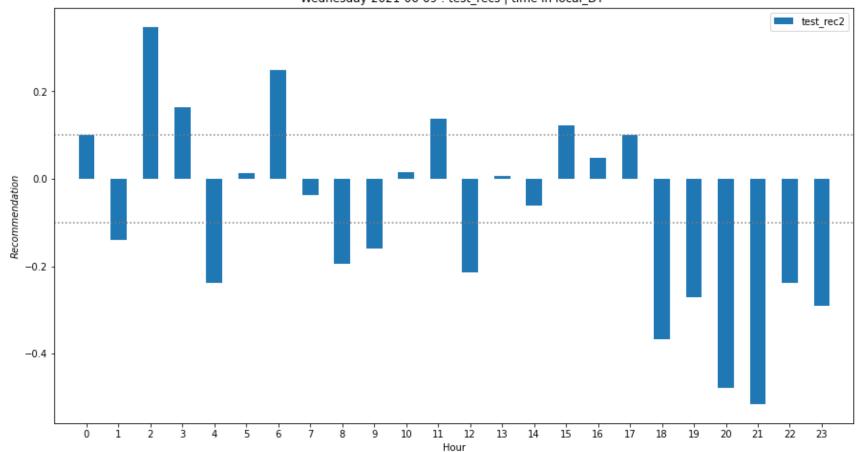


## PMT Algorithm – Calculating Recommendations

| Scoring<br>N = # Hours in Group // 2              |   |                   |   |
|---|---|-------------------|---|
| Best Hours<br>Hours ~ N LOWEST Total Usage / Acct | <b>Worst Hours</b><br>Hours ~ <b>N</b> HIGHEST Total Usage / Acct<br>% of Acct for each Hour Returned |                   | Hourly Recommendations<br>All values can be +/-                               |
| % of Acct for each Hour Returned                  |   |                   | Proportional Users (PU):  |
|   |   |                   | % Accts at Best Hour - % Accts at Worst Hour                                  |
|   |   |                   | "Weight" of Prediction (WP):  |
|   |   | B <sub>Leve</sub> | $P_{\rm el}$ : $\sum$ Proportional Usage for Acct across % Accts at Best Hour |
|   |   | W <sub>Lev</sub>  | el: Proportional Usage for Acct for Acct across <b>% Accts at Worst Hour</b>  |
|   |   |                   | $WP = W_{Level} - B_{Level}$  |
|   |   |                   | Recommendation = PU - WP  |



### PMT Algorithm – Recommendations by Hour



Wednesday-2021-06-09 : test\_recs | time in local\_DT



### Assessment – Results Summary

The assessment, focused on one geographic test region during selected weeks in the winter and spring of 2022, was performed using data from approximately 3000 Service Impacting Events (SEIs)

The assessment was...

...performed against three baselines of measured customer impact 24hrs prior / 7days prior @TSI\_Hr / 14days prior @TSI\_Hr

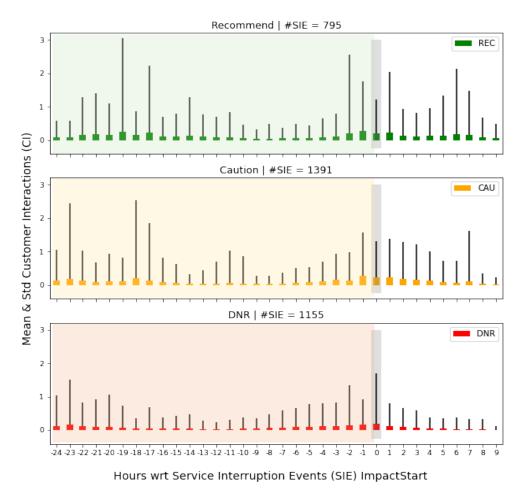
...performed against all Customer Impacting (CI) events as well as with some removed:

App Troubleshooting Device Speed Test Gateway Speed Test Self Service PHT System Refresh Device Reboot

*In all cases*, Service Impacting Events (SIEs) that were performed during PMT "Recommended" hours showed lower customer impact versus those performed during PMT "Do-Not-Recommend" hours

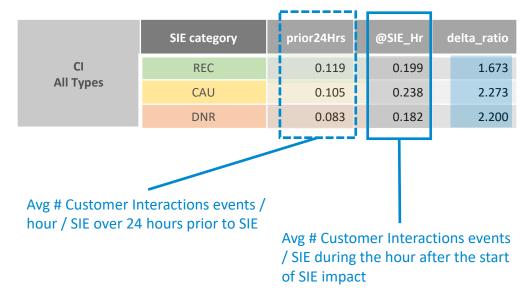


### Assessment – Results Example



#### **Example Results – 24 Hr Baseline**

All Customer Interaction Event Types 'Repair Voice', 'XA Troubleshooting', 'Device Speed Test', 'Gateway Speed Test', 'Trouble Call Created', 'Repair Chat', 'Self Service PHT', 'System Refresh', 'Device Reboot'



<sup>1</sup>Each TSI ticket's set of SIE-affected accounts associated timeline events are considered. \*Potential time-of-day effects in the 24hr prior baseline prompted us to consider prior 7|14 days' SIE\_startHr baselines

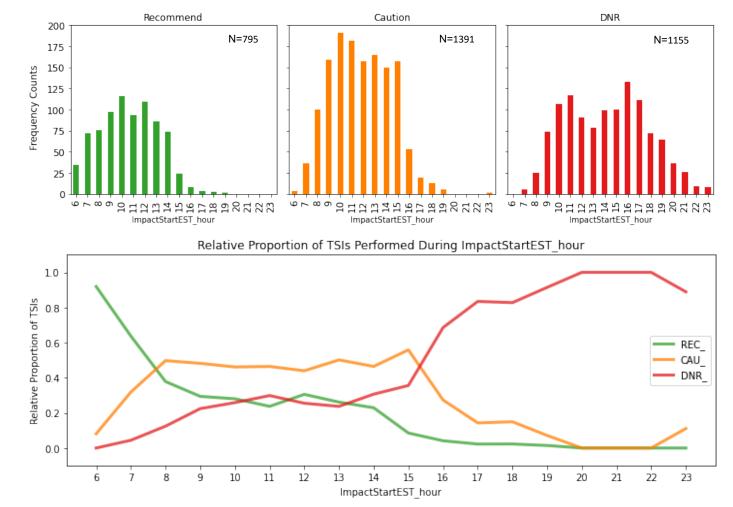


# Assessment – A Different View of the Results

The upside of trying different analyses is that sometimes you learn something new about your data

- It was observed that recommended hours rolled off around 3pm
- …and that not-recommended hours overlapped with recommended starting at 9am and didn't improve until very late

# Could such observations be helpful in planning maintenance?





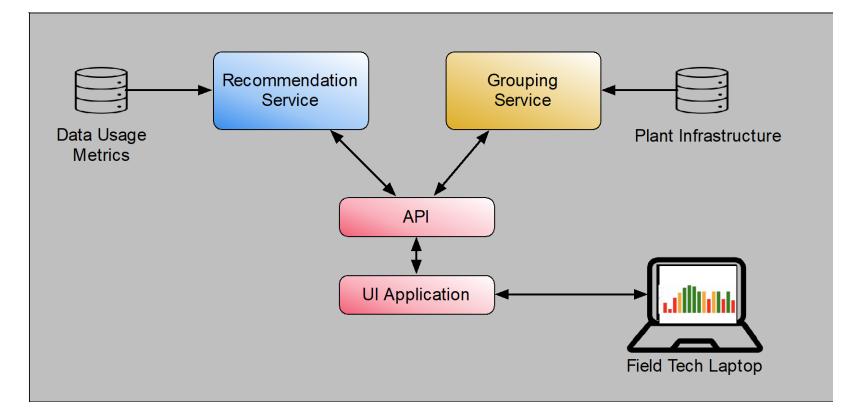
# PMT – User Application Architecture

#### Deceivingly simple in appearance

**Recommendation Service** uses an algorithm that takes into consideration the majority of accounts without squashing the minority

**Grouping Service** uses a multi-pass approach to merging plant data with billing data to tie MAC addresses to the plant topology

**PMT API** coordinates data flows, stores recommendations and identifies recommendations for specific requests



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## **Results and Recommendations**

#### Assessment

- An idealized test showed that there may be adequate "signal" in hourly user data consumption for the PMT Recommendation Service to accurately find the best and worst times to perform plant maintenance
- Helps to identify daily trends which, in aggregate, may be useful in recommending how operations managers should schedule service interruptions
- More data is required to be able to state that a 'statistically significant' evidence
- Additional testing is recommended to provide higher confidence in the findings...
  - ...in the same test region over more calendar days
  - ... in other regions

#### **PMT Application**

- A trial-ready application was successfully built and made operational
- However, a trial nearing a full-scale deployment would be needed to prove its effectiveness
- The effort required to create the application was worthwhile because it led to a deeper understanding of our data and has sparked innovations that will drive new projects

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# Thank You!

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