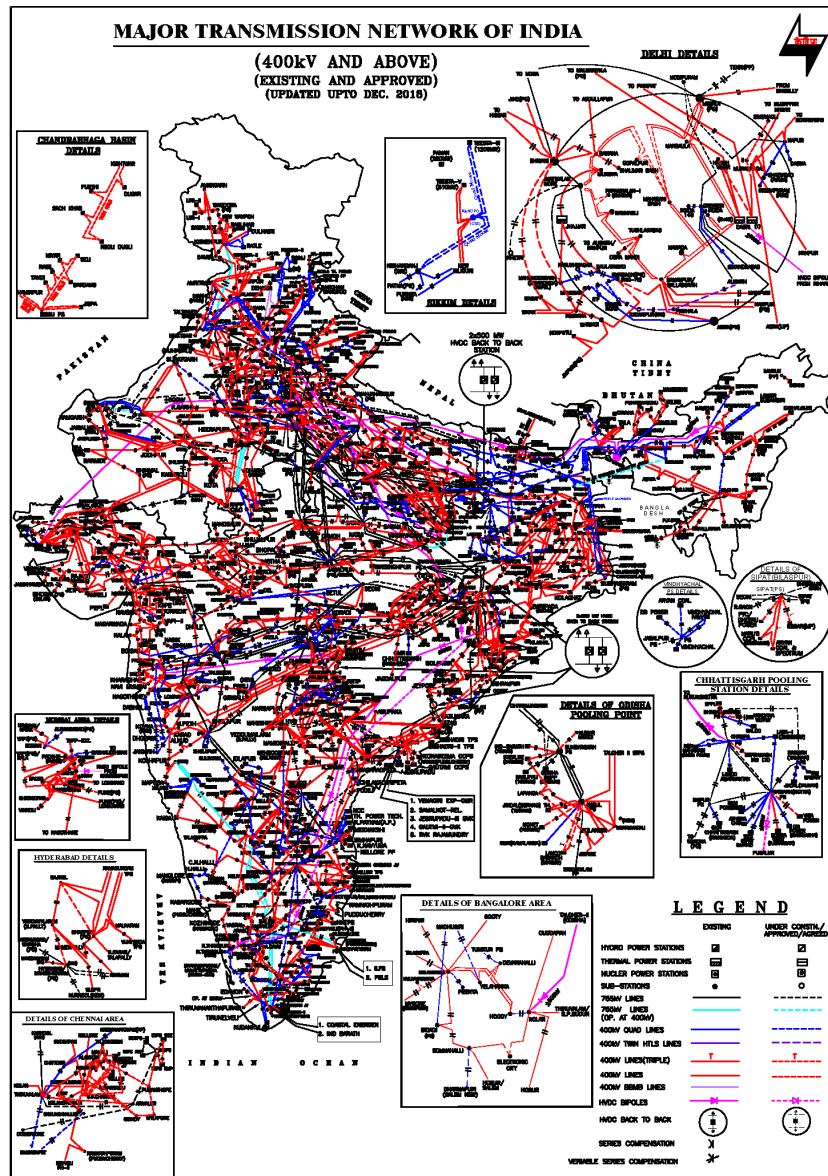




# ELL363 – Power Engineering II

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# What is a 'Power Grid'?

- In modern times, electricity is like air.. Its presence is only noticed by its absence
- 'Power Grid' is a complex network to generate and transmit electricity to 300+ million people



# The evolution of electric power

*observed current  
b/w metal rods*



**Alessandro Volta**

**179**

*Ohm's law*



**George Simon Ohm**

**1827**

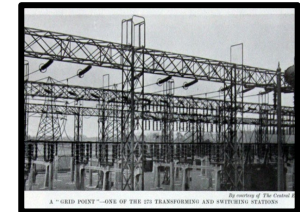
*first DC electric plant in  
Manhattan*



**Pearl Street Station**

**1882**

*first national grid  
in the world*



**UK grid**

**1935**



**1752**

**Benjamin Franklin**



*discovers lightning is  
electricity*

**1820**

**Andre Marie Ampere**



*first explains current*

**1879**

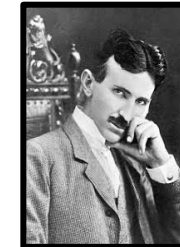
**Thomas Edison**



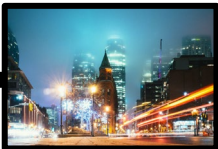
*invents first light bulb*

**1896**

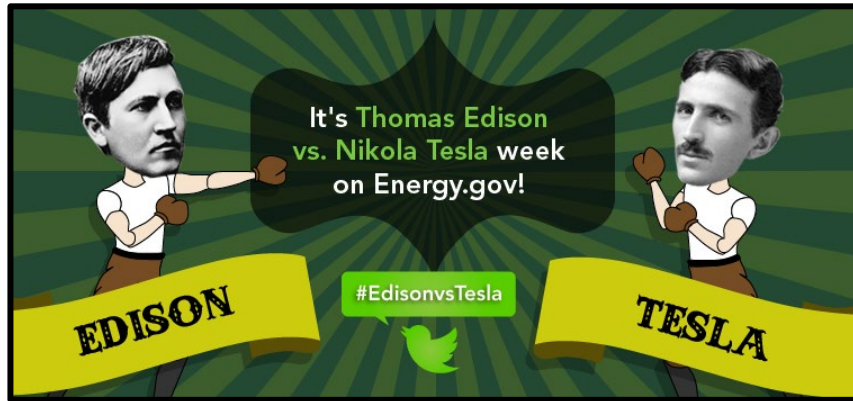
**Nikola Tesla**



*first AC power transfer  
Niagara Falls to Buffalo, NY*



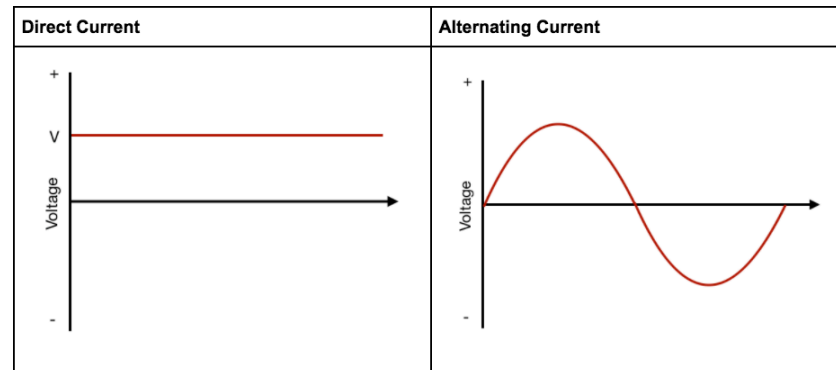
# The War of Currents



DC

v/s

AC



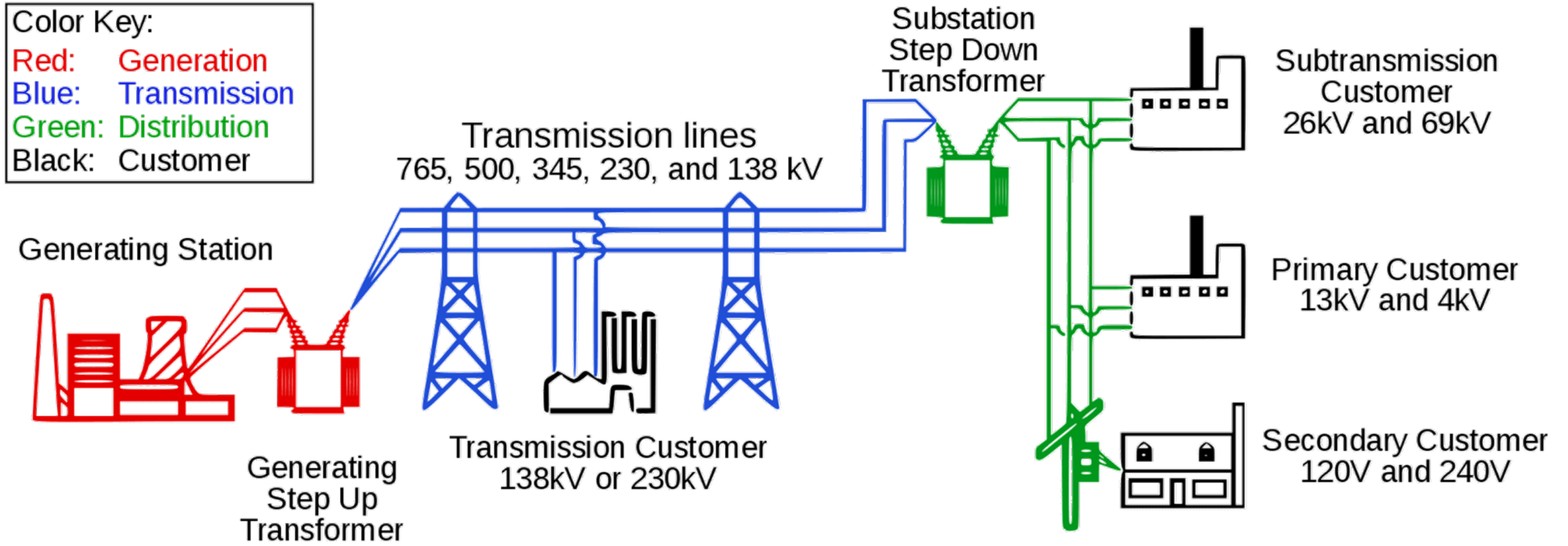
A rivalry which benefited the world!

Story of Chicago World's Fair 1893

The War is not over yet!

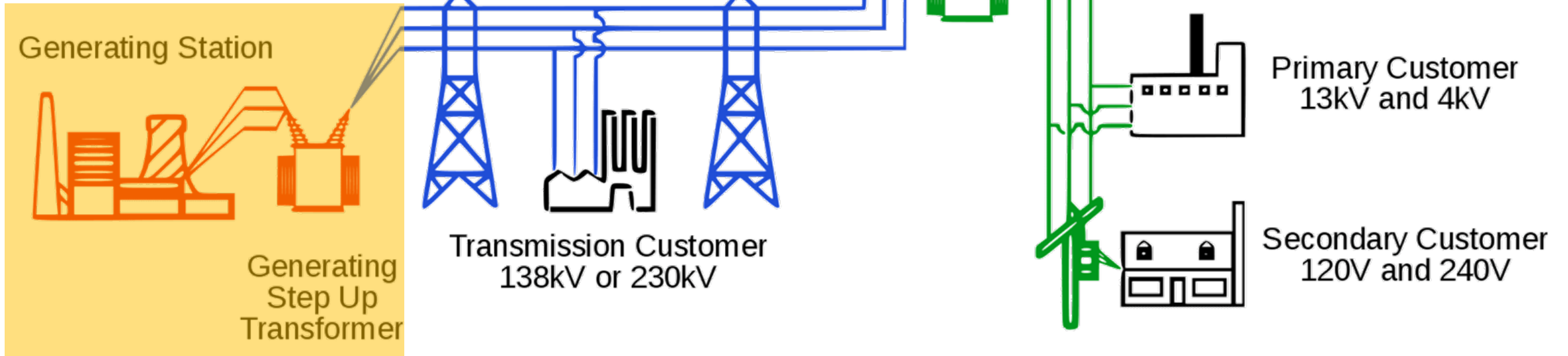


# Power Grid Overview



# Generation

Color Key:  
Red: Generation  
Blue: Transmission  
Green: Distribution  
Black: Customer





# Generation Sources

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Coal



Natural Gas



Nuclear



Hydro



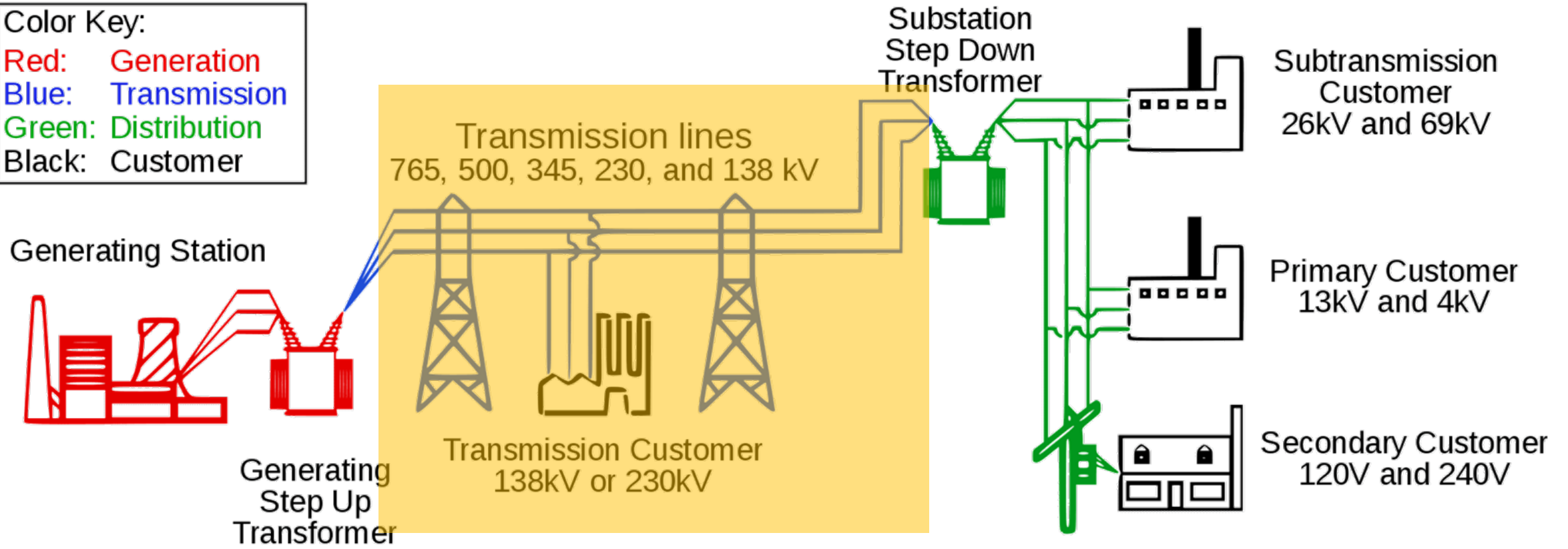
Wind



Solar

# Transmission System

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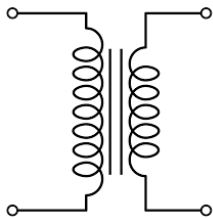




# Transformer



$V = 2 \text{ kV}$   
 $I = 300 \text{ kA}$   
 $P = 600 \text{ MW}$



$V = 600 \text{ kV}$   
 $I = 1 \text{ kA}$   
 $P = 600 \text{ MW}$

Generating Station



Generating  
Step Up  
Transformer

Transmission lines  
765, 500, 345, 230, and 138 kV



Power transmission on high voltage is economical!

# Distribution System

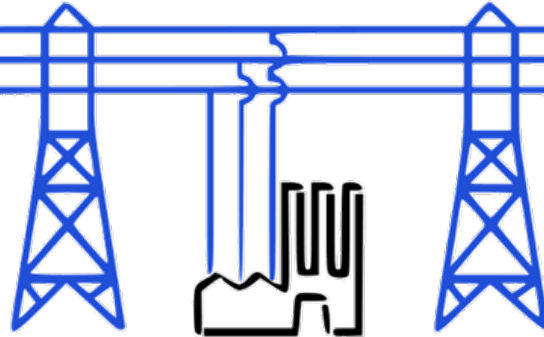
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Generating Station



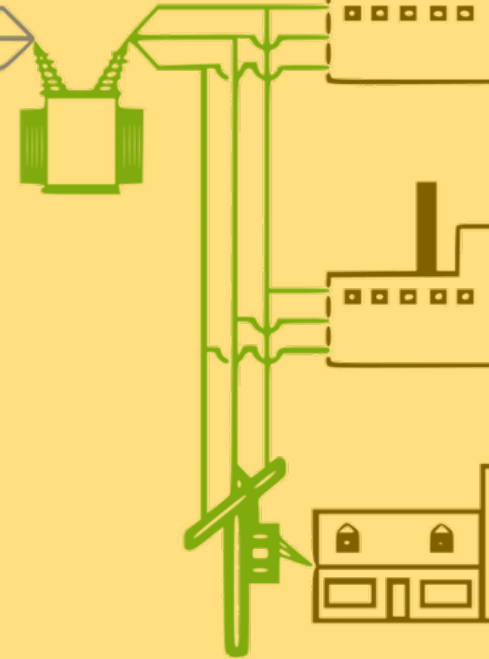
Generating  
Step Up  
Transformer

Transmission lines  
765, 500, 345, 230, and 138 kV



Transmission Customer  
138kV or 230kV

Substation  
Step Down  
Transformer



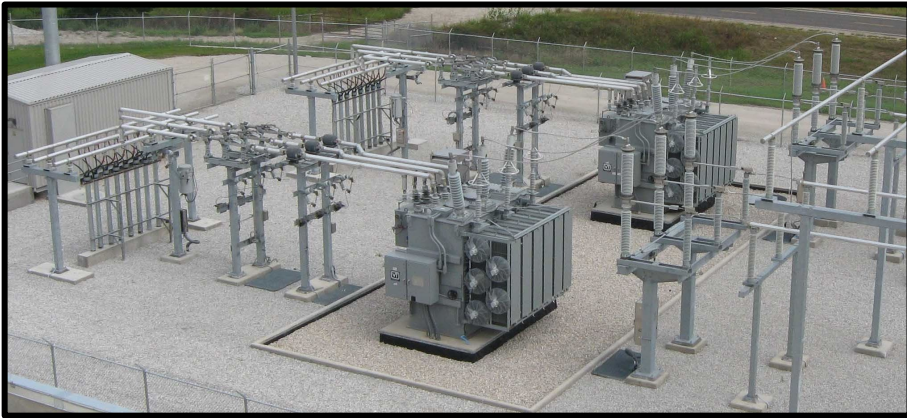
Subtransmission  
Customer  
26kV and 69kV

Primary Customer  
13kV and 4kV

Secondary Customer  
120V and 240V

# Distribution System

Distribution Substation



26 kV or 69 kV

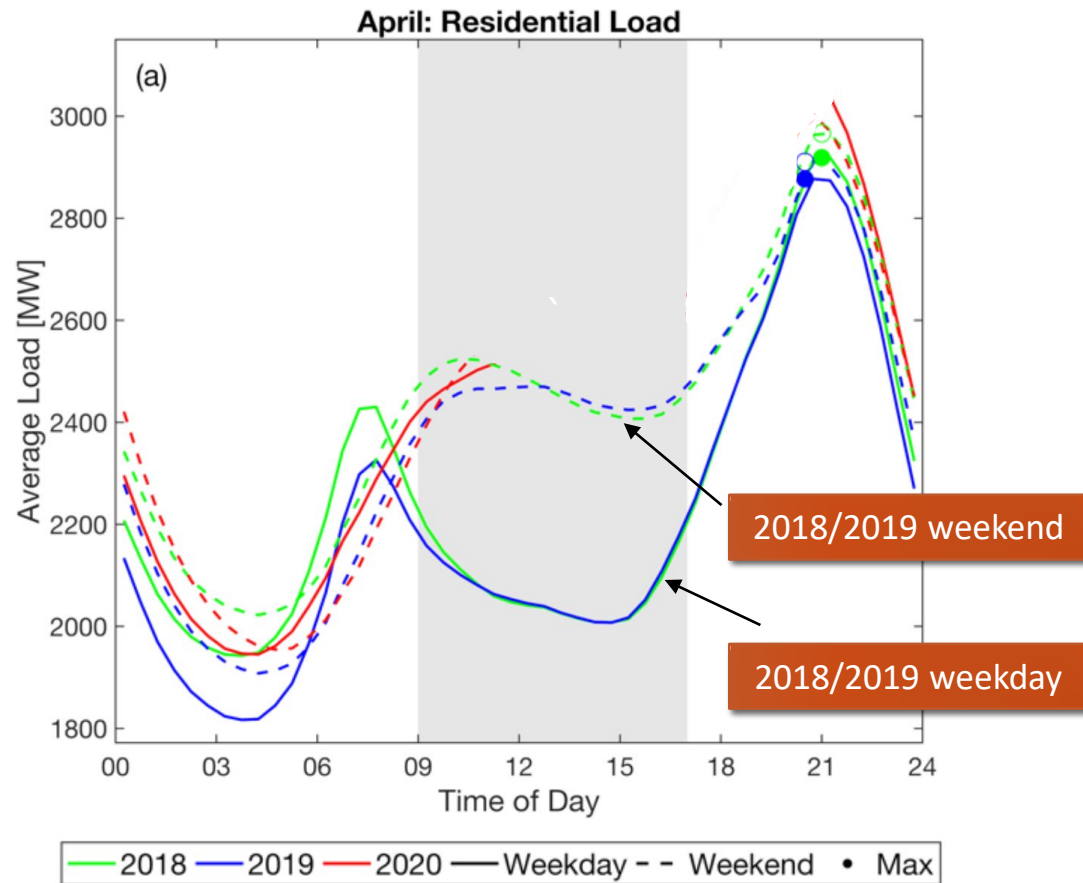
Distribution lines and residential transformer

120/240 V

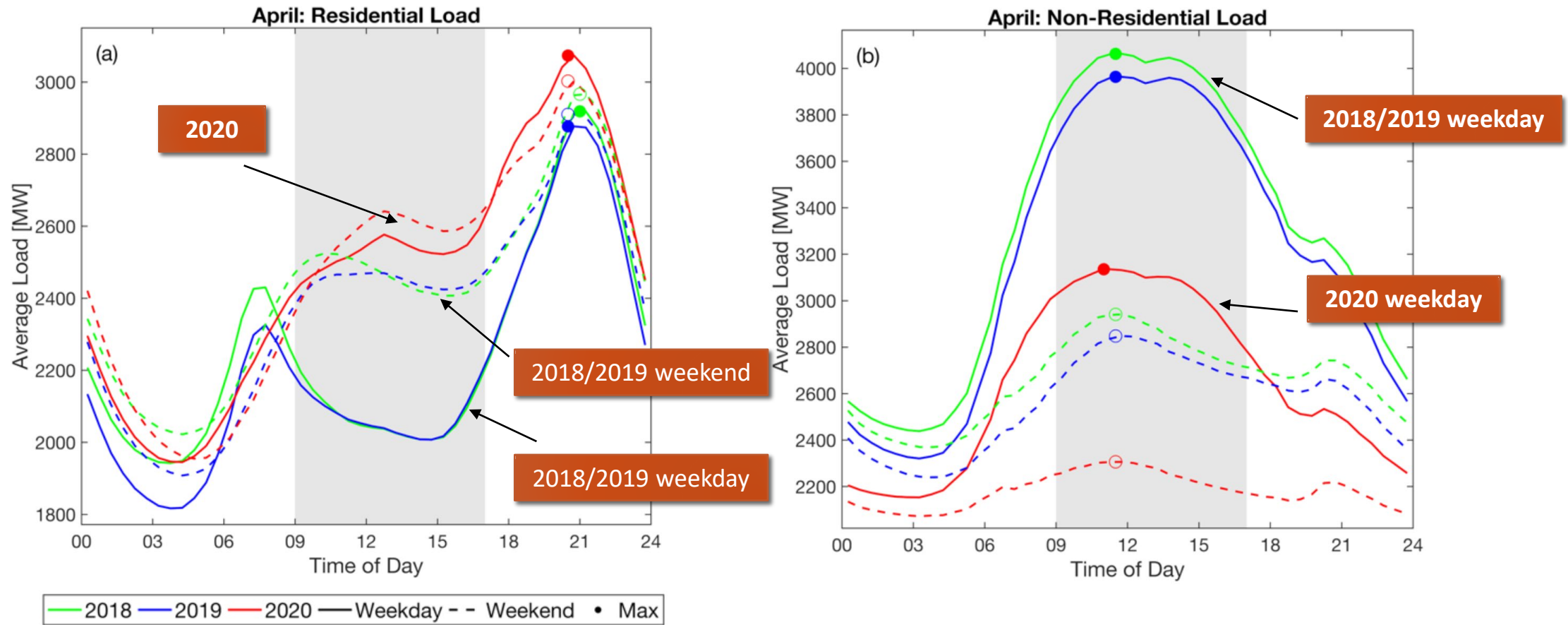


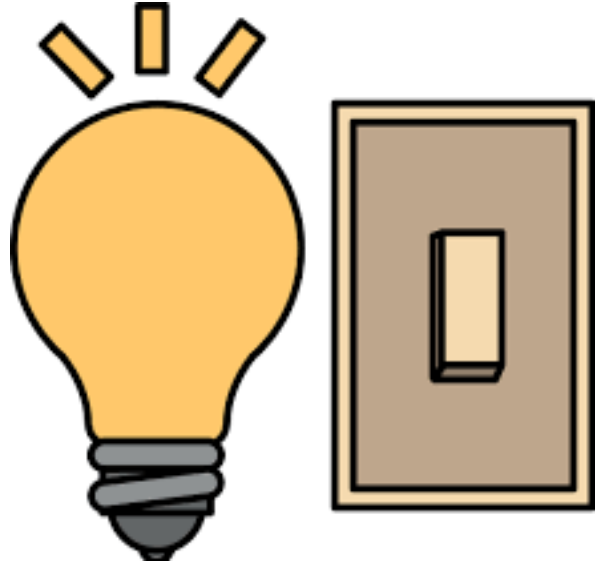


# COVID-19 and Load Demand



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# Uniqueness of Power Grid

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- Unlike water, natural gas, food, or anything else you consume in your home, electricity is used instantaneously.
- That means that as soon as you flip your light switch on, a generator has to produce more power.
- **Greatest achievement of the 20<sup>th</sup> century by National Academy of Engineering in 2003**