

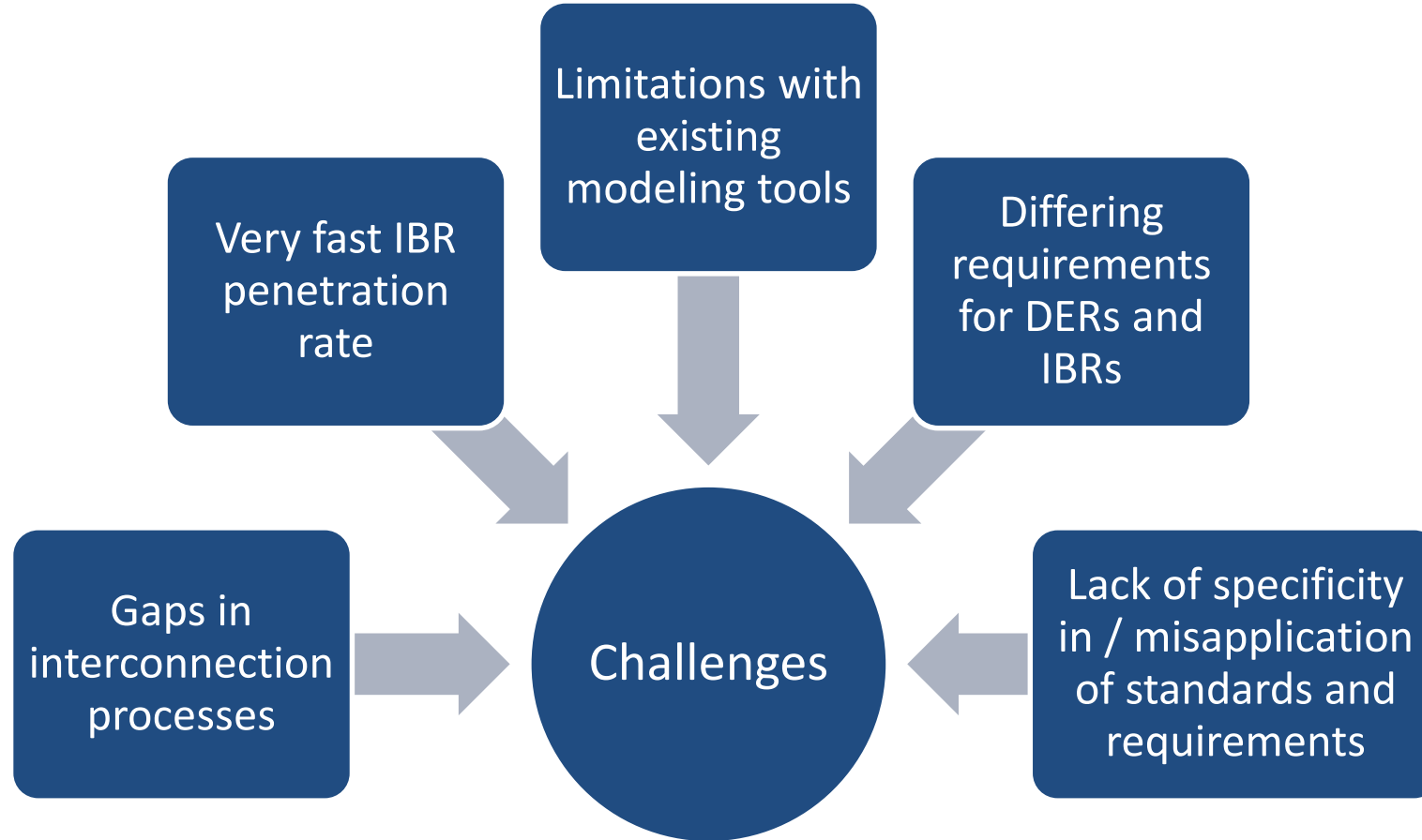
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Adoption of EMT Modeling

North American EMT Strategy to Support Bulk Power
System Reliability

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Reality of (most) IBR Plant Models

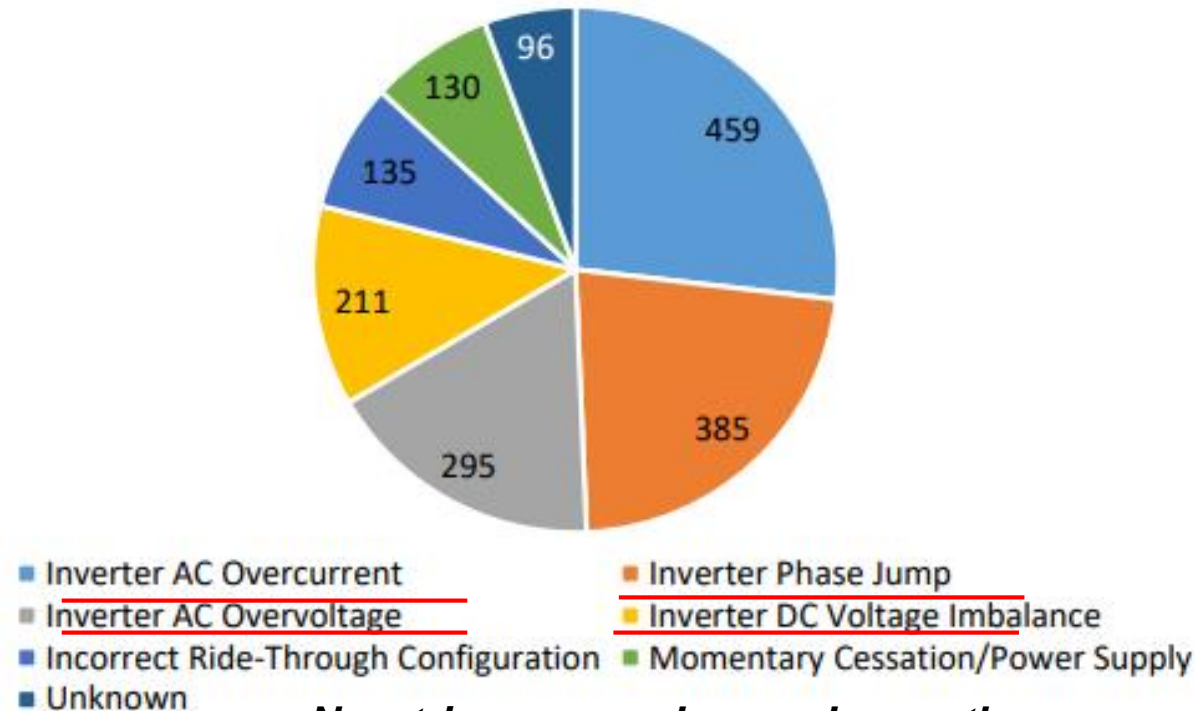
What was studied



What was installed



Odessa Example – Causes of Inadvertent Tripping



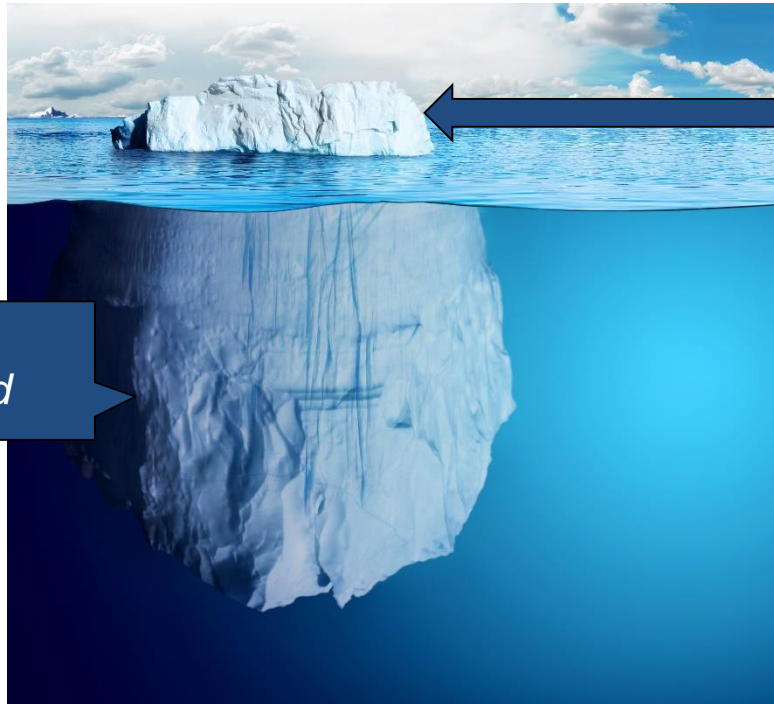
New trip causes observed recently

- *Unbalanced AC current tripping*
- *DC bus overvoltage tripping*

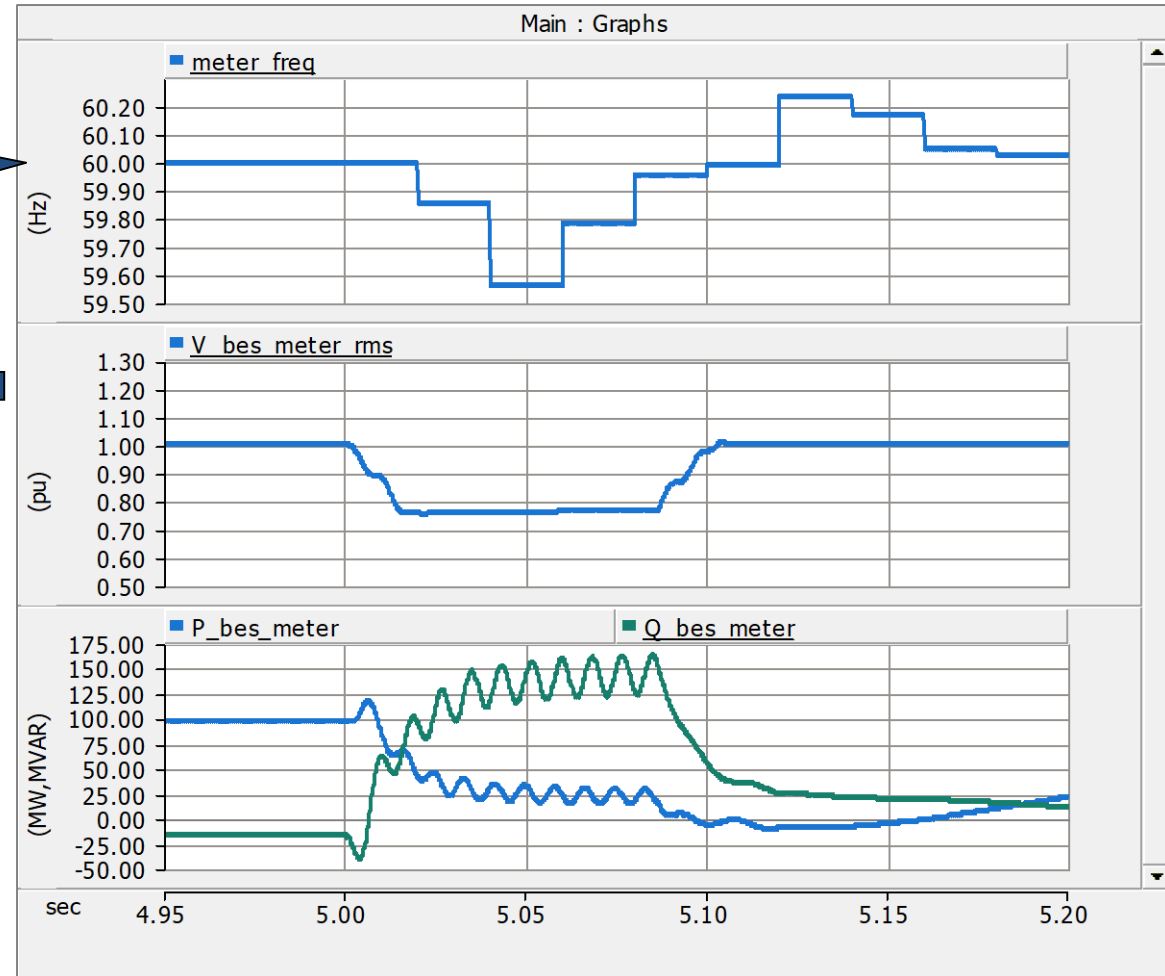
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We can't avoid what we can't see

*Typical solution of positive
sequence dynamic simulations*



*Risks
Undetected*



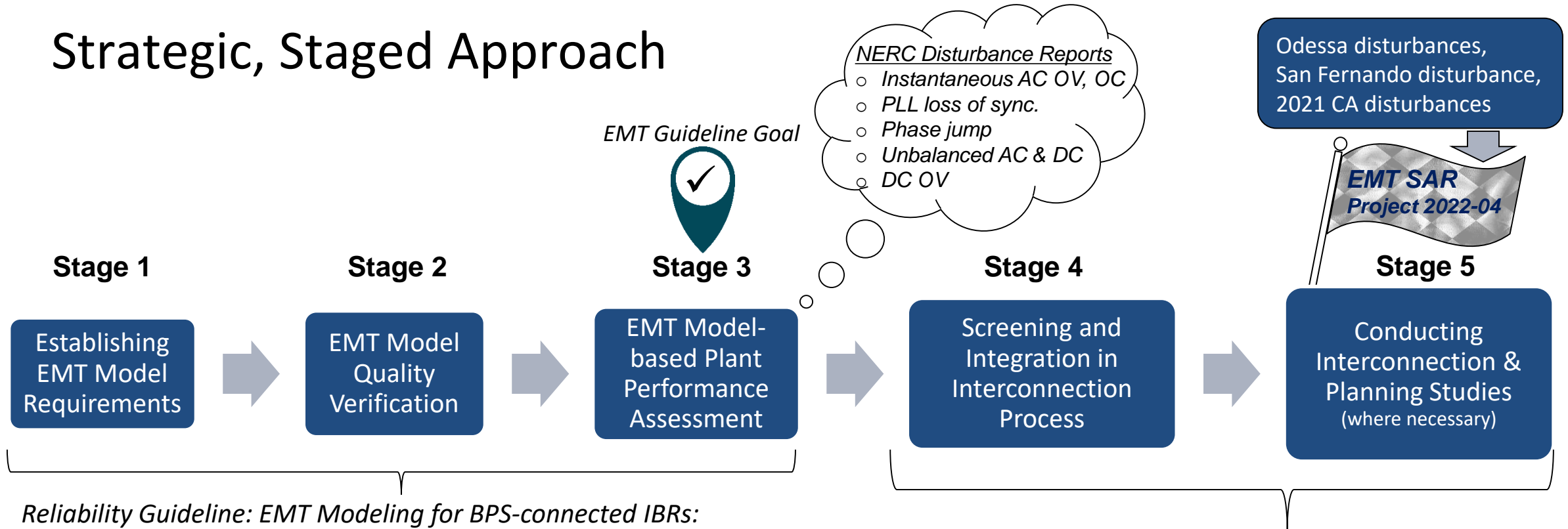
- Prepare for IBR-dominated Future – Learn EMT Modeling
 - System Strength
 - Damping
 - System Protection

- End Goal

- Widespread adoption of EMT modeling tool in interconnection and planning studies
 - The use of the EMT tool is not limited to interconnection and planning studies although it is where our focus is, at the moment. Other uses include system protection studies, event analysis, and operation studies

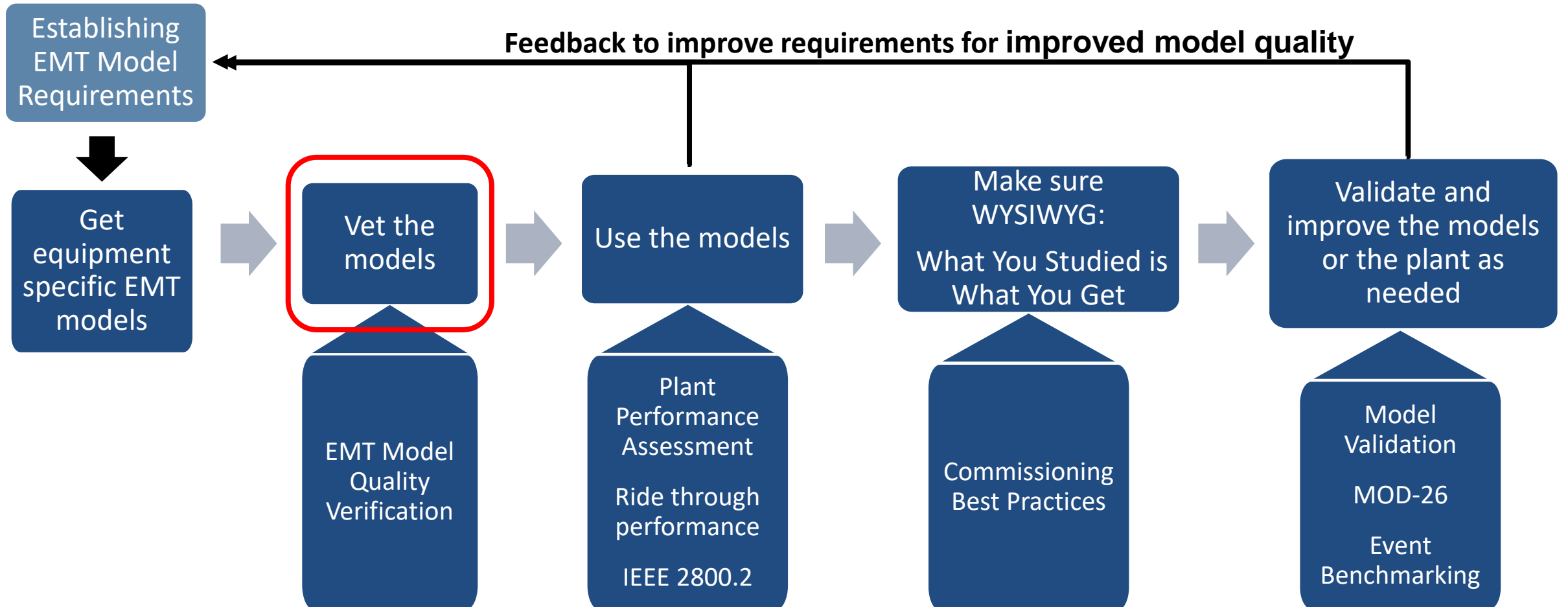
- Approach
 - Make EMT modeling more accessible and approachable
 - Create common understanding
 - Promote motivation
 - Decouple from other processes
 - Create a baseline, unified approach
 - Provide educational resources

Strategic, Staged Approach



Reliability Guideline: EMT Modeling for BPS-connected IBRs: Recommended Model Requirements and Model Quality Verification

Draft Reliability Guideline: Recommended Practices for Performing EMT System Studies for Inverter-Based Resources





Questions and Answers