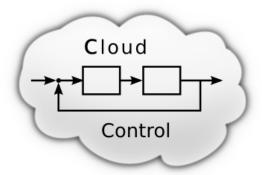
#### Dynamic Resource Management for Multicore Linux Platforms

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  - ABB Corporate Research
  - Professor in Automatic Control 2000
  - Co-PI of the Linneaus Center LCCC
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  - Member of the Program Management Group of WASP
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#### Research Interests

- Embedded Control
- Feedback Computing
- Cloud Control



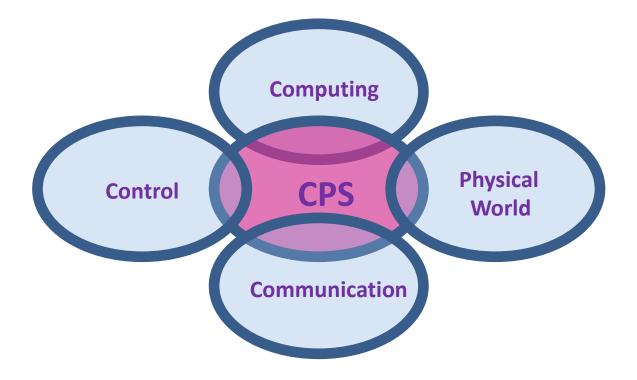


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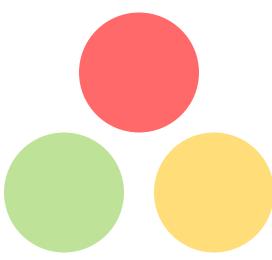


#### **Cyber-Physical Systems**



## Paradigm Shift

- When designing complex artefacts **separation of concerns** is a good design principle.
  - Buildings
  - Vehicles
  - Distributed Systems
- Obtained through engineering principles, good architectures, design rules etc



 Often the main objective for these design principles is to save human resources (engineering time)

# Paradigm Shift

- In many areas the main objective today is to save natural resources rather than human
  - Often energy / emissions related
- Crosscutting concerns
  - Traditional separation-based approaches to break down
  - Interaction and interference
- Requires integration of multiple sub-systems both during design and operation
  - Integration-Based Design
  - Codesign
  - Cross-layer design

- Smart/green/low-energy buildings
- Green cars
- Server farms
- Battery-driven computing and communication devices
- Cross-layer design and optimization in networks
- Embedded Systems
  - Resource-aware design nothing new!





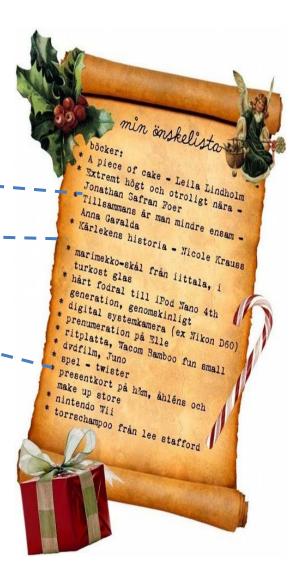


## Paradigm Shift

- Eventually we will find new ways of organizing our work
- Revolutionary paradigm shifts have occ

### **CPS** Research Agenda

- Model-Driven Engineering
- Modeling Tools
- Uncertainty Managagement
- Emergent behavior
- Distributed analysis and synthesis of controllers



## **Model-Driven Engineering**

- The vision
- Automated process from model to cyberphysical system
  - Functionally correct
  - Dependable
  - Secure
  - Resource-efficient
  - Timeliness

#### Model-Driven Engineering for Software

In the software domain:

- Software abstraction layers tailored for different analysis and design tasks
- Property-preserving model translations and refinement mechanisms
- "The model is the software"
  - Often realistic
  - Automatic Code Synthesis
- UML

#### Model-Driven Engineering for HW+SW

In the software + hardware domain:

- SysML + architecture modeling languages such as EAST-ADL, AADL, Modelisar, ...
- Allows limited hardware modeling
- Used for modeling the hardware in which the software executes
- Not used for modeling the physical world that the system interact with
  - Too limited behavior models
- Not for CPS

## Model-Driven Engineering for CPS

- The model is **not** the system
- Approximations rather than abstractions
  - E.g. reduced models, linearized models, truncated models, .....
- Properties not necessarily maintained
- Models have a limited validity range
- Models expire
  - Requirements change
  - The model and the reality deviate with time due to e.g., aging, wear, ....

## Golomb on Modeling

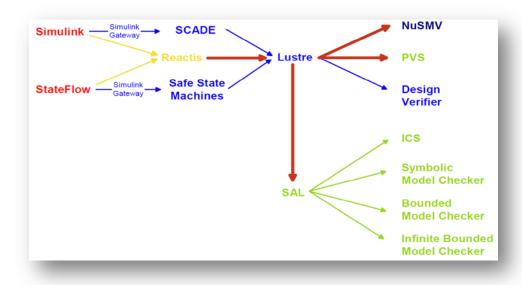
- "Mathematical Models: Uses and Limitations" – Simulation, Apr 70
- Don't apply a model until you understand the simplifying assumptions on which it is based and can test their applicability.
- Distinguish at all times between the model and the real world. You will never strike oil by drilling through the map!
- The purpose of notation and terminology should be to enhance insight and facilitate computation – not to impress or confuse the uninitiated

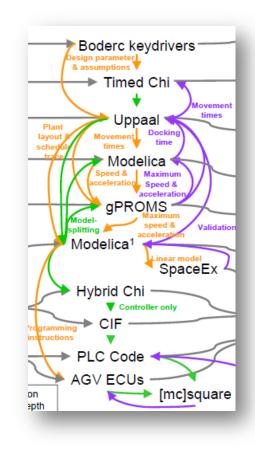


**Solomon Wolf Golomb** (1932) mathematician and engineer and a professor of electrical engineering at the University of Southern California.

## Model-Driven Engineering for CPS

- Most applications of formal methods only concern the discrete-event or discrete-time parts of the CPS (the "controller" part)
- Long and complicated tool chains





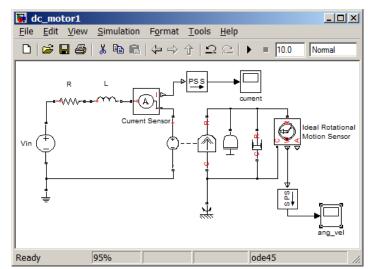
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### Modeling Tools

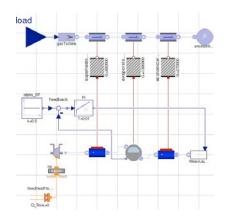
- Frameworks that allow seamless integration of tools
- Or multi-domain/multi-MoC tools
  - Ptolemy II
  - Simulink
    - S-functions allow extensions
      - SimScape  $\rightarrow$  equation-based
      - SimEvents  $\rightarrow$  discrete-event simulation
      - − StateFlow  $\rightarrow$  FSM
      - TrueTime  $\rightarrow$  rt kernels + networks
- Equation-based DAE languages have many advantages for the physical parts
  - Modelica, SimScape, Acumen, ..
  - However physical system modeling is difficult
    - Large threshold
    - Problems with high index, initializations, efficient code

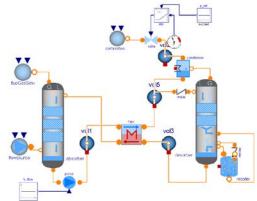


# Modelica

- The most mature equation-based DAE language
- Several commercial tools, e.g. Dymola
- Two open source tools
  - OpenModelica
  - JModelica
- Discrete-time and discrete-event parts designed based on synchronous language ideas
  - Well-defined semantics based on clock inference
- Automatic code generation

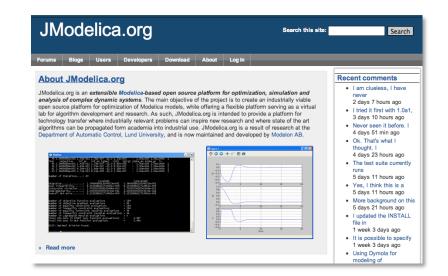






## JModelica

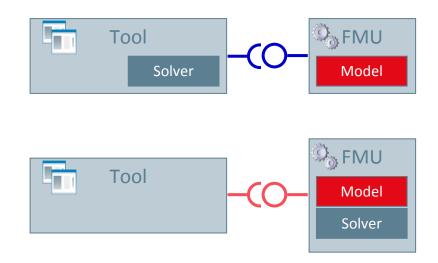
- Java + C + Python
- JastAdd
  - AspectJ
  - Reference attribute grammars
- Optimica
  - Language extension
     for representing
     optimization problems
- Lund University + Modelon



```
optimization VDP_Opt(objective=cost(finalTime),
    startTime=0,
    finalTime(free=true, initialGuess=1))
    VDP vdp(u(free=true, initialGuess=0.0));
    Real cost (start=0);
equation
    der(cost) = 1;
constraint
    vdp.x1(finalTime) = 0;
    vdp.x2(finalTime) = 0;
    vdp.u >= -1; vdp.u <= 1;
end VDP_Opt;</pre>
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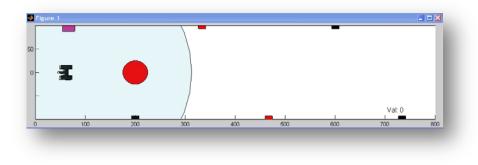
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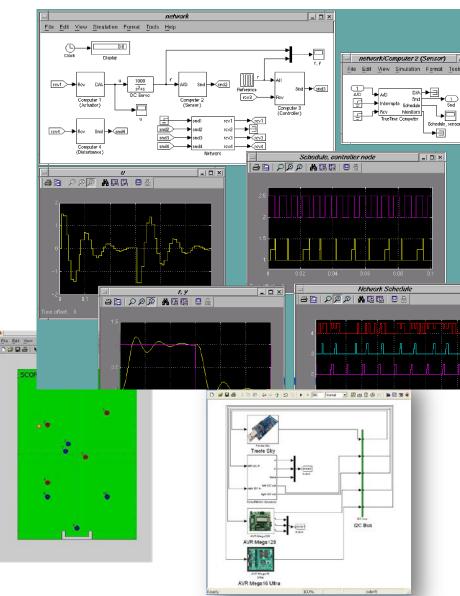
- Model exchange standard
  - Open source
  - Non-proprietary
  - cp. S-functions
- Model exchange
- Co-simulation



## TrueTime

- Co-simulation of controller task execution, network transmissions, and continuous-time plant dynamics
- Simulink using S-functions





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## Manage uncertainty

- Resource-sharing in our implementation platforms
  - Cores sharing caches
  - Threads sharing cores
  - Applications sharing computers
  - Communication links sharing
  - media



- Inherent in the physical domain
- Modeling, analysis, simulation, verification,

## Automatic Control and CPS

- 1. Implementation of feedback control systems on resource-constrained HW platforms
  - Control and scheduling co-design
  - Temporal robustness (jitter and delays)
  - Event-based control and Self-triggered control
  - Will not talk about this
- 2. Control of computer systems
  - The main topic of my lecture

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## **Control of Computer Systems**

- Apply control as a techniques to manage uncertainty and achieve performance and robustness in computer and communication systems.
- Applications in
  - Internet
  - Servers and data centers, i.e., the cloud
  - Cellular phone systems
  - Embedded systems

## **Control of Computer Systems**

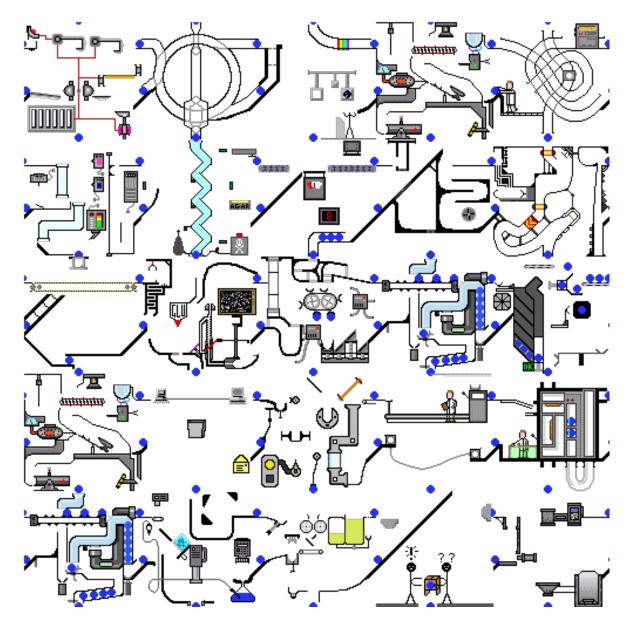
#### Alternative names:

- Dynamic/adaptive resource management
  - Control as means for managing limited resources
  - Adaptivity from a CS point of view
- Feedback computing/scheduling
- Autonomous/autonomic computing
- Reconfigurable computing

## Why?

• System complexity increases

## Complexity



# Why?

- System complexity increases
- Complete information about all use cases and their resource requirements is often not available at design-time
- Green computing → power consumtion constraints increasingly important
- Increased hardware density → thermal constraints increasingly important
- Hardware platforms increasingly complex → increasing difficulties in providing good off-line estimates of resource consumption
- Hardware variability increases
- Increased requirements on dependability
- Hardware increasingly often support adaptivity
- Increased requirements on predictability in the cloud

## **Control of Computer Systems**

- Active research area since around 2000
- However, feedback has been applied in ad hoc ways for long without always understanding that it is control, e.g. TCP/IP
- Control of computing systems can benefit from a lot of the classical control results
  - However, several new challenges
  - First principles-based modeling not so natural
  - Complex dynamics no longer the problem

**Example 1**: A multi-mode embedded system where the resource requirements for all the tasks in all the modes are known at design time

 Use schedulability analysis to ensure that the deadlines are met in all modes and then use a mode-change protocol that ensures that all deadline also are met during the transition between the modes

**Example 2**: An embedded system with a constant set of hard-RT applications/tasks but where the WCET analysis possible on the selected hardware is too pessimistic and leads to too low resource utilization or where the age- or process-induced variability is too large

 Measure the actual resource consumption and adjust, e.g. the task rates in order ensure that the schedulability condition is fulfilled

**Example 3:** Open embedded systems where the number of applications and their characteristics change dynamically (e.g, smartphones)

 Measure resource consumption and decide how much resources that should be allocated to each application in order to maximize QoS/QoE while minimizing power consumption and avoiding thermal hotspots

**Example 4:** A distributed embedded system where one for dependability reasons must be able to ensure system functionality also in case of single-node failures

 Detect node failures and then adapt the task mapping and the schedules so that the system performance is still acceptable

**Example 5:** An FPGA-based system with multiple modes that is too large to fit in a single FPGA or where the power consumption will be too high

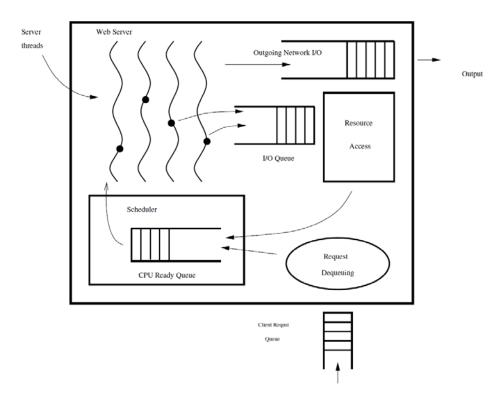
Use run-time reconfiguration to change the FPGA function dynamically

**Example 6:** A cloud deployed web-service application where the incoming load varies a lot over time

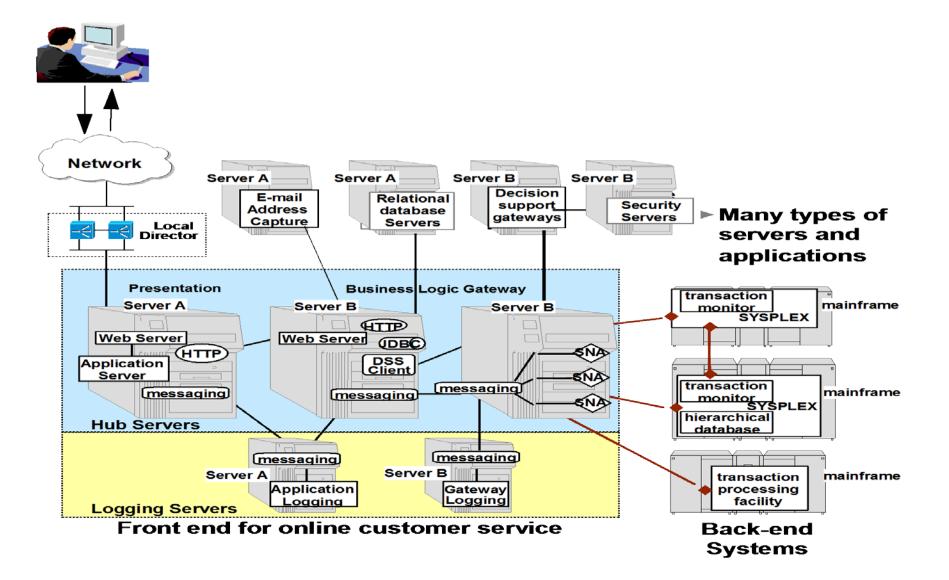
 Dynamically add or remove virtual machines to match the load (elasticity control/auto-scaling)

## **Computer Internals**

- Execution/service times
- Queuing delays
- Discrete Event
   Dynamic System
  - Tasks/requests arrive (queued) and depart (dequeued)



## (Cloud) Server Systems



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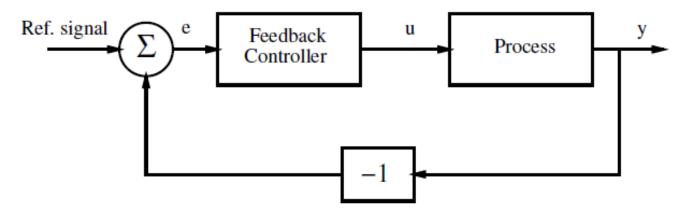
# Modeling and Control Formalisms

- Discrete Event Formalisms
  - Automata theory (e.g., Supervisory Control Theory)
  - Petri nets
  - Often problem with scalability
  - Queuing theory
- Continuous-Time Formalisms
  - Liquid ("flow") models + continuous-time control
  - Queues = tanks, computations = flows
  - Average values assuming large number of requests/jobs
  - Sometimes event-driven sampling and control

# The Feedback Principle

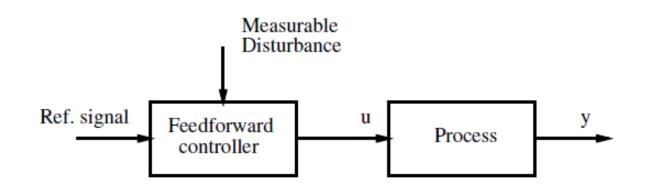
A very powerful idea, that often leads to revolutionary changes in the way systems are designed.

The primary paradigm in automatic control.



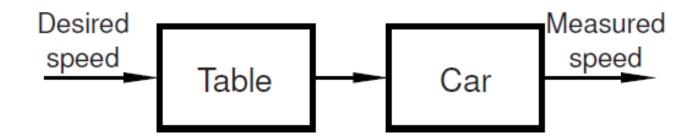
- Base corrective action on an error that has occurred
- Closed loop

# The Feedforward Principle



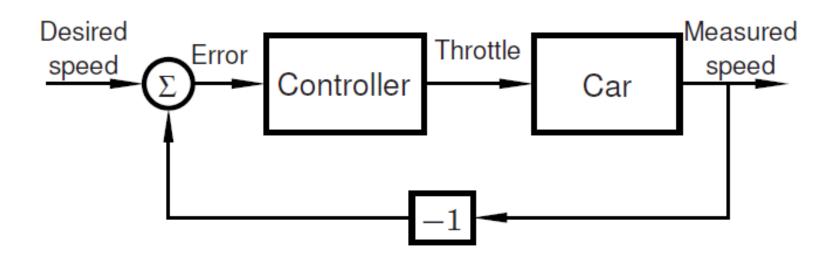
- Take corrective action before an error has occurred
- Measure the disturbance and compensate for it
- Use the fact that the reference signal is known and adjust the control signal to the reference signal
- Open loop

## Example: Feedforward Based Cruise Controller



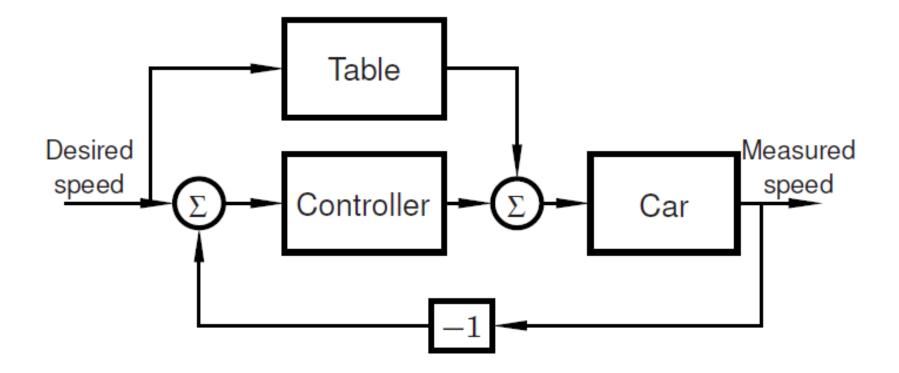
- Open loop
- Problems?

## Example: Feedback-Based Cruise Controller



- Closed loop
- Simple controller:
  - Error > 0: increase throttle
  - Error < 0: decrease throttle</li>

## Example: Feedback + Feedforward Based Cruise Controller



Both proactive and reactive

# **Common Feedback Controllers**

• Proportional Controller (P)

$$u(t) = Ke(t)$$

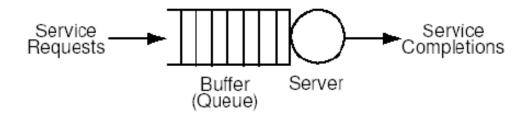
• Proportional and Integral Controller (PI)

$$u(t) = K\left(e(t) + \frac{1}{T_i}\int_0^t e(s)ds\right)$$

 Proportional, Integral and Derivative Controller (PID)

$$u(t) = K\left(e(t) + \frac{1}{T_i}\int_0^t e(s)ds + T_d \frac{de(t)}{dt}\right)$$

## **Example: Queuing System**



Work requests (customers) arrive and are buffered

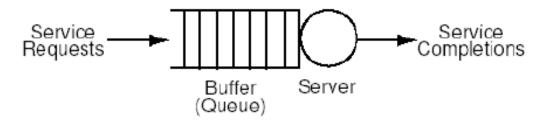
Service level objectives (e.g., response time for request belonging to class X should be less than Y time units)

Reduce the delay caused by other requests, i.e., adjust the buffer size and redirect or block other requests

Admission control

## **Example: Queue Length Control**

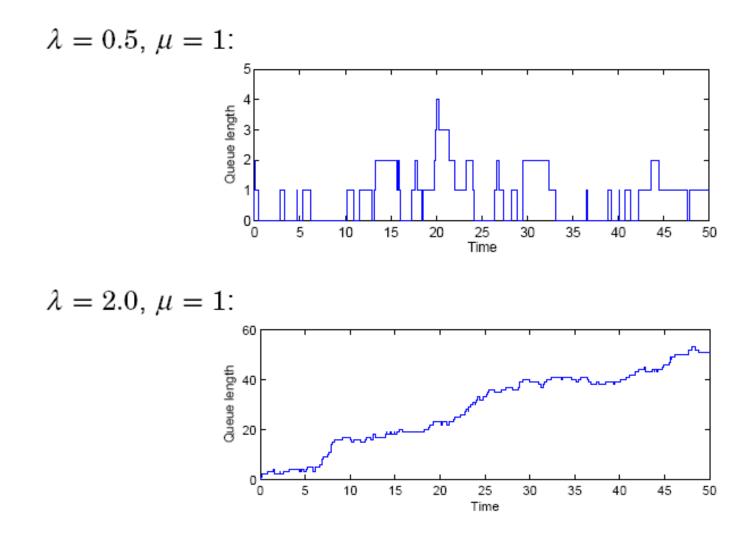
Assume an M/M/1 queuing system:



- Random arrivals (requests), Poisson distributed with average λ per second
- Random service times, exponentially distributed with average  $1/\mu$
- Queue containing x requests

Intuition:  $x \to \infty$  if  $\lambda > \mu$ 

### **Queue Length Control: Simulation**



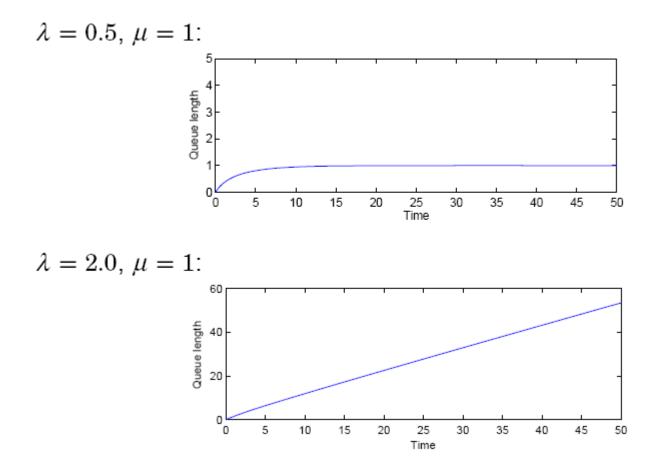
## Queue Length Control: Model

Approximate the system with a nonlinear flow model (Tipper's model from queuing theory)

The expectation of the future queue length x is given by

$$\dot{x} = \lambda - \mu \frac{x}{x+1}$$

## **Queue Length Control: Model**



#### **Queue Length Control: Control Signal**

Control the queue length by only admitting a fraction u (between 0 and 1) of the requests

$$\dot{x} = \lambda u - \mu \frac{x}{x+1}$$

Admission control

#### **Queue Length Control: Linearization**

Linearize around  $x = x^{\circ}$ 

Let  $y = x - x^{\circ}$ 

$$\dot{y} = \lambda y - \mu \frac{1}{(x^{\circ} + 1)^2} y = \lambda u - \mu a y$$

### **Queue Length Control: P-control**

u = K(r - y)

$$\dot{y} = \lambda K(r - y) - \mu a y$$

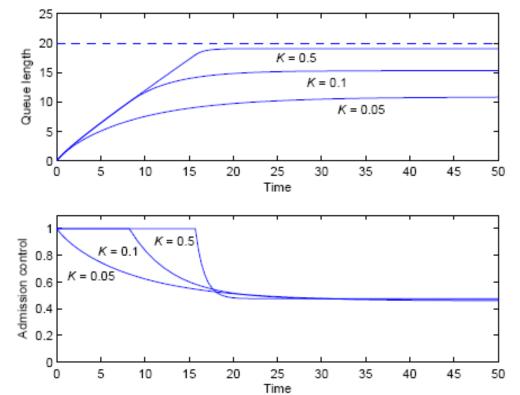
$$(s + \lambda K + \mu a)Y(s) = \lambda KR(s)$$

$$G_{cl}(s) = \frac{\lambda K}{s + \lambda K + \mu a}$$

With *K* the closed loop pole can be placed arbitrarily

#### **Queue Length Control: P-Control**

Simulations for  $\lambda = 2, \mu = 1, x^{\circ} = 20$  and different values of *K* 



## Queue Length Control: PI-control

$$G_P(s) = \frac{\lambda}{s + \mu a}$$

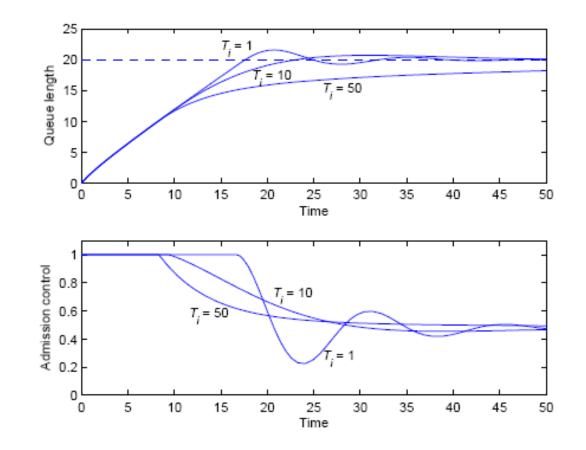
$$G_R(s) = K(1 + \frac{1}{sT_i})$$

$$G_{cl}(s) = \frac{G_P G_R}{1 + G_P G_R} = \frac{\lambda K(s + \frac{1}{T_i})}{s(s + \mu a) + \lambda K(s + \frac{1}{T_i})}$$

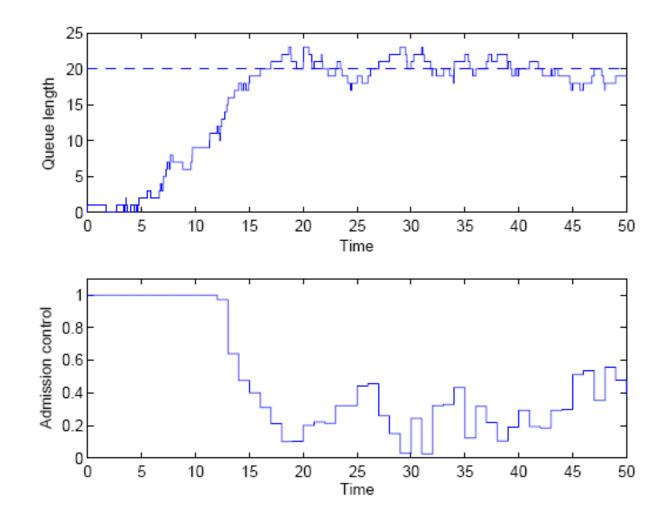
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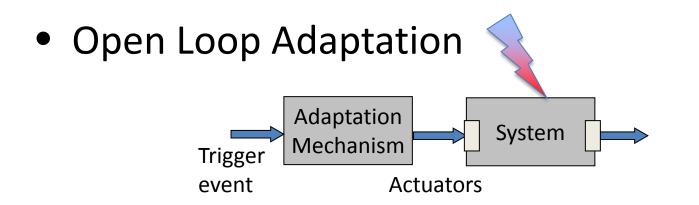
Simulations for  $\lambda = 2, \mu = 1, x^{\circ} = 20, K = 0.1$  and different values of  $T_i$ 



### **PI-control on Real Queue**



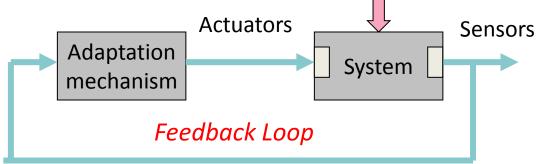
# **Adaptation Mechanisms**



- Feedforward
- Assumes perfect information (model) of the system
- Assumes that there are no external disturbances

# **Adaptation Mechanisms**

Closed Loop Adaptation<sup>Disturbances</sup>



- Feedback
- Adaptation Mechanism == Controller
- Requires sensors
- May cause unstabilities

# **Adaptation Formulations**

- Often formulated as an optimization-problem or as a control-problem
- Optimization Formulations:

*maximize/minimize resource-consumption objective s.t. perfomance constraint* 

*maximize/minimize performance objective s.t. resource consumption constraint* 

- Performed off-line, online when some change has occurred or periodically, off-line+on-line, ...
- ILP, Bin-packing, MILP, QP, NLP (B&B, GA, CP ...)
- Centralized or distributed

# **Adaptation Formulations**

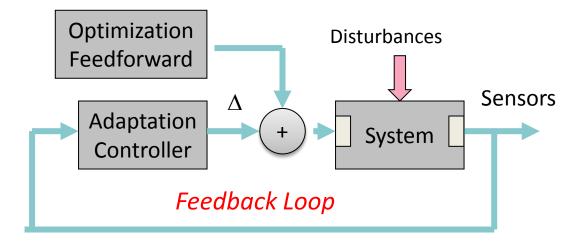
- Control Formulations:
  - System modelled as (linear) dynamic system
  - Classical linear control design techniques
    - PID
    - LQG

$$u(t) = K(e(t) + \frac{1}{T_I} \int e(s) ds + T_D \frac{de(t)}{dt})$$

 Designed to obtain a stable closed loop system with desired dynamic performance

# **Adaptation Formulations**

- Combined Optimization and Control Formulations:
  - Model-Predictive Control (MPC)
    - Optimization problem solved each sample
    - Only the first control signal is used (receding horizon principle)
    - Optimization problem ban be solved off-line (explicit MPC / multiparametric programming) → piecewise affine mapping
  - Feedforward + feedback structures



### Actuators

- Change the applications / threads
  - For example:
    - Accept or reject decision
    - Change the rates of periodic processes
    - Change between alternative versions (service/quality levels)
    - Anytime formulations
  - Often requires support from the applications
- Change the mapping of the application onto the execution platform
  - Priority
  - Schedule
  - Processor allocation

### Actuators

- Change the execution platform
  - Number of processors (virtual or physical)
    - DPM techniques
  - Speed of processors
    - DVFS
    - Change the bandwidth of the VM or bandwidth server
  - Functionality (hardware-based systems)
    - Micro-code in soft-cores
    - FPGA netlist

## Sensors

- What we can (or would we like to) measure?
  - Application performance
    - Obtained QoS
    - Throughput
    - Latency
  - OS / CPU level
    - CPU cycles / task
    - CPU utilization
    - Deadline miss ratio
  - Power and temperature
    - Power consumption for each unit
    - Temperature of each heat source (core, coprocessor, memory controller, ....)

# **Problems of Feedback**

#### Feedback can introduce new problems:

- The feedback mechanism itself consumes resources
- Harder to provide formal guarantees about the system → not suitable for safety-critical hard real-time application, or?

## What about Safety-Critical Systems?

- In many cases control systems
- Due to the feedback errors in the space domain are natural
- Control system designed using
  - Numerous approximations
    - Model reduction, linearization, .....
  - Verified through extensive simulations
  - Large safety margins when selecting, e.g., sampling periods
- Why is it then so unthinkable to use feedback also at the implementation level?



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- May complicate the design process (modeling, V&V, ...)
- Requires tuning
- Sensors and actuators are necessary
- Models are necessary
  - Of the system
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- Feedback may introduce measurement noise
  - Only when you measure physical entities!

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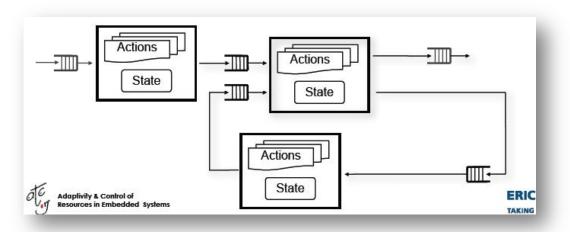
# ACTORS



- Adaptivity and Control of Resources in Embedded Systems
- EU FP7 STREP project
  - 2008-2011
  - Coordinated by Ericsson (Johan Eker)
  - Lund University, TU Kaiserslautern, Scuola Superiore
     Sant'Anna di Pisa, EPFL, AKAtech, Evidence
- Media applications (soft real-time) for smart phones
- Control applications

# **ACTORS: Key Ingredients**

- 1. Data-Flow Programming
  - CAL Actor Language



- 2. Adaptive Resource Management of service-level aware applications
  - Soft real-time media applications
  - Control applications

# Service Level-Aware Applications

- Application knob
  - Decides the QoS achieved and the amount resources required
  - High SL  $\rightarrow$  high QoS & high resource usage
  - Low SL  $\rightarrow$  low QoS & low resource usage
- Discrete
  - "application modes" the case in ACTORS
- Continuous
  - e.g., sampling rate in a controller

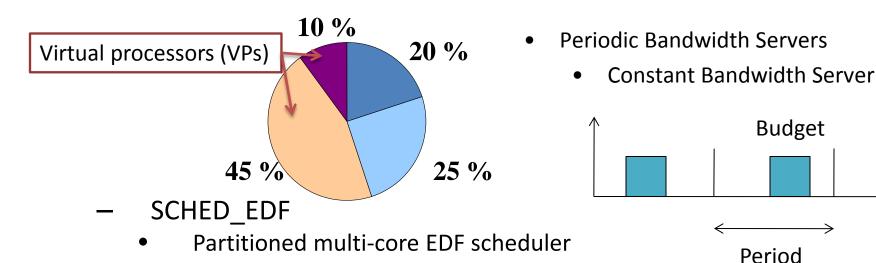
### Service level example



- SL: Resolution and/or frame rate of a video stream
- QoS and required CPU for encoding and decoding depends on the SL

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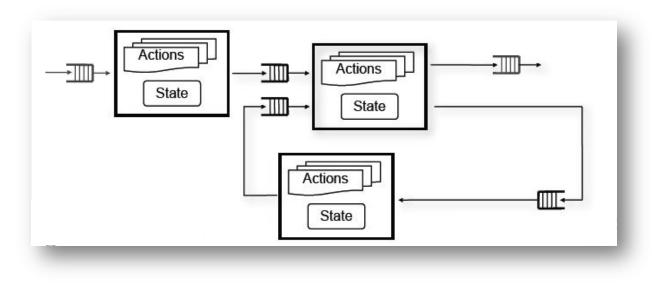
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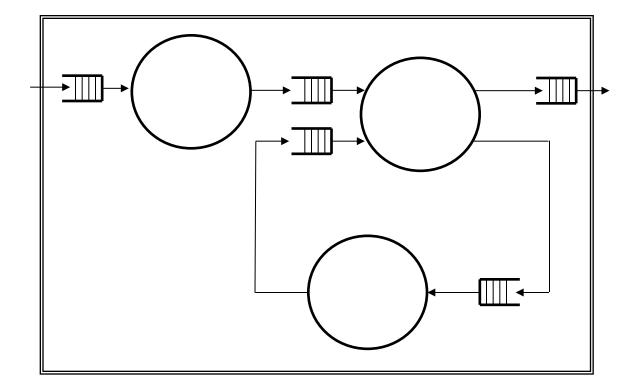
- Data flow programming with actors (Hewitt, Kahn, etc)
  - Associate resources with streams
  - Clean cut between execution specifics and algorithm design
  - Strict semantics with explicit parallelism provides foundation for analysis and model transformation
- CAL Actor Language (UC Berkeley, Xilinx) <a href="http://opendf.org">http://opendf.org</a>
  - Part of MPEG/RVC

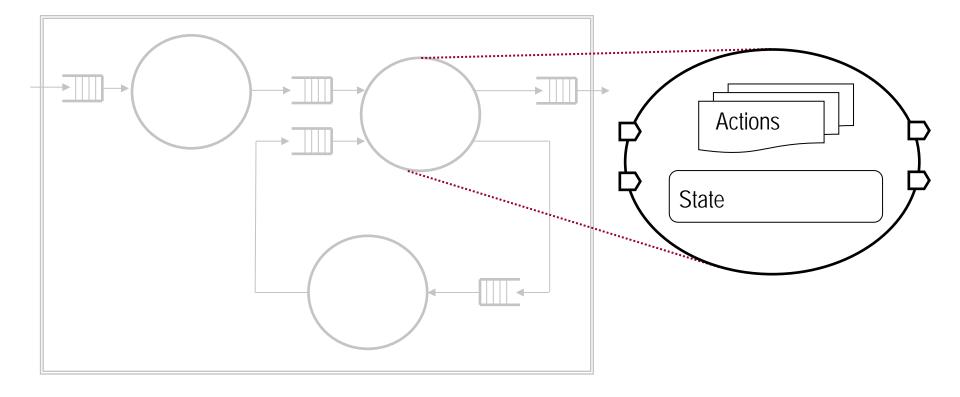


### CAL (Cal Actor Language)

- A language for writing dataflow actors
  - designed at UC Berkeley in 2002/3 (Janneck & Eker)
  - compilers to hardware and software
  - standardized by MPEG/ISO in 2009
  - (subset RVC-CAL)

#### dataflow





```
actor ID () In ==> Out :
```

```
action In: [a] ==> Out: [a] end
end
```

```
actor ID () In ==> Out :
    action [a] ==> [a] end
end
```

```
actor Add () Input1, Input2 ==> Output:
    action [a], [b] ==> [a + b] end
end
```

```
actor AddSeq () Input ==> Output:
    action [a, b] ==> [a + b] end
end
```

```
actor Merge () Input1, Input2 ==> Output:
    action Input1: [x] ==> [x] end
    action Input2: [x] ==> [x] end
end
```

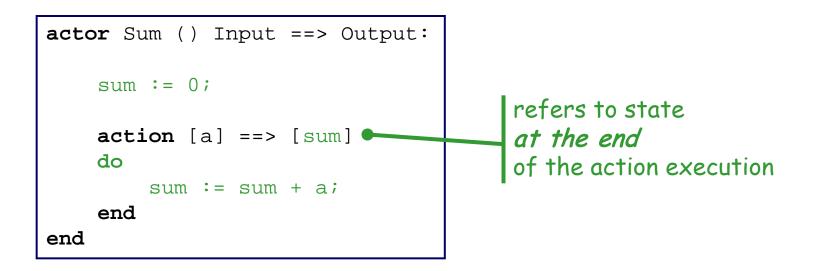
This actor is non-deterministic...

```
... and so is this.
```

```
actor Split () Input ==> Output1, Output2:
    action [x] ==> Output1: [x] end
    action [x] ==> Output2: [x] end
end
```

```
actor SplitPred (P) Input ==> Y, N:
    action [a] ==> Y: [a]
    guard P(a) end
    action [a] ==> N: [a]
    guard not P(a) end
end
```

```
actor Select () S, A, B ==> Output:
    action S: [sel], A: [v] ==> [v]
    guard sel end
    action S: [sel], B: [v] ==> [v]
    guard not sel end
end
```



```
actor PingPongMerge ()
      Input1, Input2 ==> Output:
    s := 0;
    action Input1: [x] ==> [x]
    guard s = 0
    do
        s := 1;
    end
    action Input2: [x] ==> [x]
    guard s = 1
    do
        s := 0;
    end
end
```

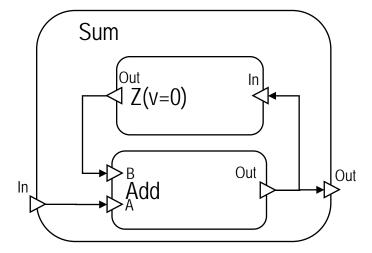
```
actor PingPongMerge ()
Input1, Input2 ==> Output:
A: action Input1: [x] ==> [x] end
B: action InputB: [x] ==> [x] end
schedule fsm s1:
    s1 (A) --> s2;
    s2 (B) --> s1;
end
end
```

```
actor ProcessStream () In, Config ==> Out:
                                                  how to enforce firing of one action
    c := initialConfig();
                                                  over another?
    action Config: [newC] ==>
    do
        c := newC;
                                    actor ProcessStream () In, Config ==> Out:
    end
                                         c := initialConfig();
    action In: [data]
            ==> [compute(data, c)]
                                         config: action Config: [newC] ==>
end
                                                   do
                                                       c := newC;
  intuition:
                                                   end
    among the enabled actions,
                                         process: action In: [data]
    one with highest priority is
                                                          ==> [compute(data, c)] end
    fired
                                         priority
                                             config > process;
NOTE: behavior is
                                         end
         timing-dependent!
                                     end
```

#### building a simple network: Sum

```
actor Add () A, B ==> Out:
    action [a], [b] ==> [a + b] end
end
```

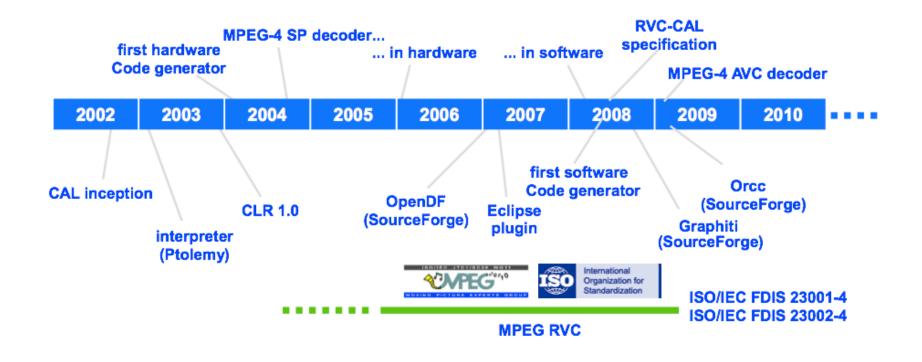
```
actor Z (v) In ==> Out:
    A: action ==> [v] end
    B: action [x] ==> [x] end
    schedule fsm s0:
        s0 (A) --> s1;
        s1 (B) --> s1;
    end
end
```



```
network Sum () In ==> Out:
entities
add = Add();
z = Z(v=0);
structure
In --> add.A;
z.Out --> add.B;
add.Out --> z.In;
add.Out --> Out;
end
```



#### **CAL History**



(Picture by Janneck, Jörn & Marco Mattavelli)



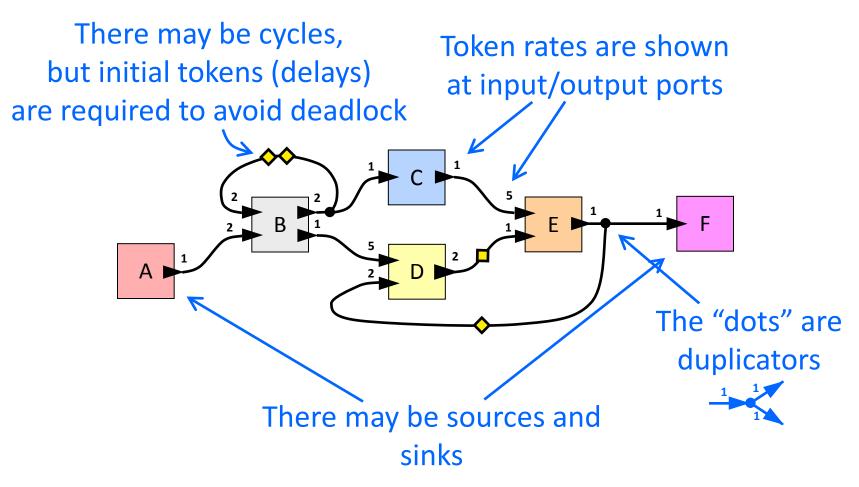
#### More Results

- > CAL Actor Language
  - > Standardized as part of MPEG-B RVC-CAL (ISO 23001-4)
  - > Ptolemy spin-off
- Other demos
  - > AMR-WB encoder, HW/SW partition support demo, 3D video, crypto library
- Documentation
  - -8+ PhD theses (EPFL, U Maryland, EPFL, Åbo)
  - 20-30 Master's Theses
  - Tons of papers.
    - <u>http://www.hooklee.com/Research/RVC\_CAL\_Bibliography.html</u>
- ) Groups
  - > EPFL, INSA/Rennes, LTH & Halmstad, Turku/Åbo, U of Surrey
- > Tools
  - OpenDF (Xilinx -> Lund University)
  - ORCC (Open RVC-CAL Compiler Orcc)
  - Caltoopia
  - Ptolemy II

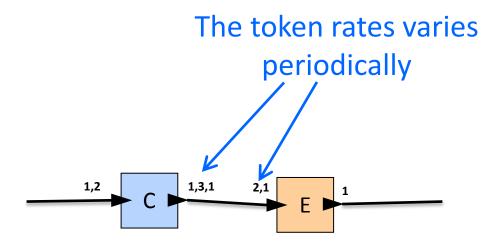
#### Synchronous Dataflow (SDF) [Lee87]

- Actors consume and produce a fixed number of tokens in each firing
- Allows for extensive compile-time analysis
  - Static scheduling (no risk of deadlock)
  - Static allocation of buffers (no unbounded buffering)
  - Possible to reason about performance metrics
- Possible to generate tight code

#### SDF Example



## Cyclo-Static Dataflow (CSDF)



#### Also statically schedulable

# Dynamic dataflow (DDF) [Lee95]

- Data dependent action firing
- Not statically schedulable

# **ACTORS: Model Transformations**

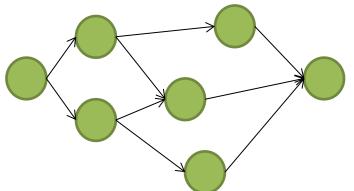
- Merging of actors within statically schedulable regions
  - Faster execution on single processors
- Splitting of actors
  - Express fine-grained parallelism
  - FPGA platforms

## **ACTORS** Applications

- Eventually, the ACTORS resource management approach should be applicable to arbitrary applications
- Initially, only CAL applications
- Two types:
  - Static CAL applications
  - Dynamic CAL applications

# Static CAL Applications

- Dataflow graph can be mapped to a static precedence graph (DAG)
  - Task activation graph
- "SDF-like" dataflow graphs
- E.g. control applications
- Schedulability theory can be applied
  - Assuming WCET estimates
  - Generates reservation parameters







# **Dynamic CAL Applications**

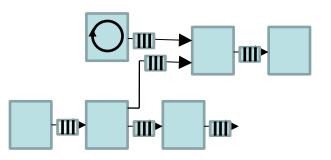
- Dataflow graph cannot be mapped to a static precedence graph
- Best-effort scheduling
- E.g. multimedia applications

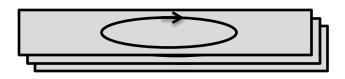




# CAL Run-Time System

- The execution environment for CAL applications
- Provides system actors for interfacing to environment
- Dynamic CAL applications
  - Run-time thread
    - While (1) {
       Select actor();
       Execute actor();
       }



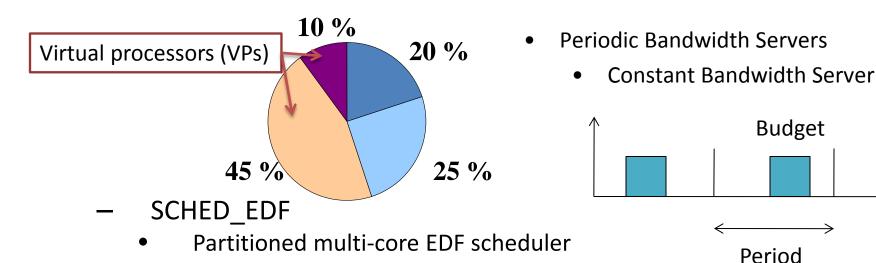






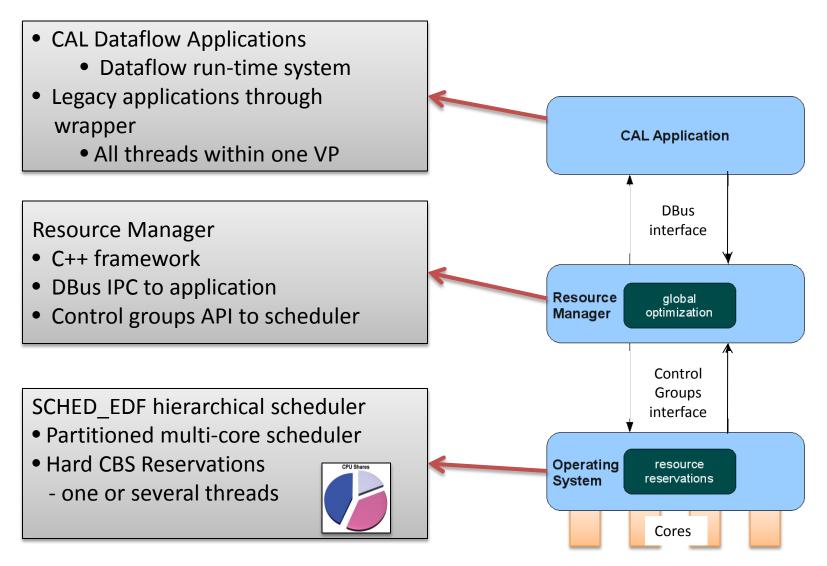
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#### Overview



#### **Static Information**

#### From applications to RM at registration:

- Service Level Table

Service Level	QoS	BW Requirement	BW distribution	Timing Granularity
0	100	240	60-60-60-60	20 ms
1	75	180	45-45-45-45	20 ms
2	40	120	30-30-30-30	20 ms

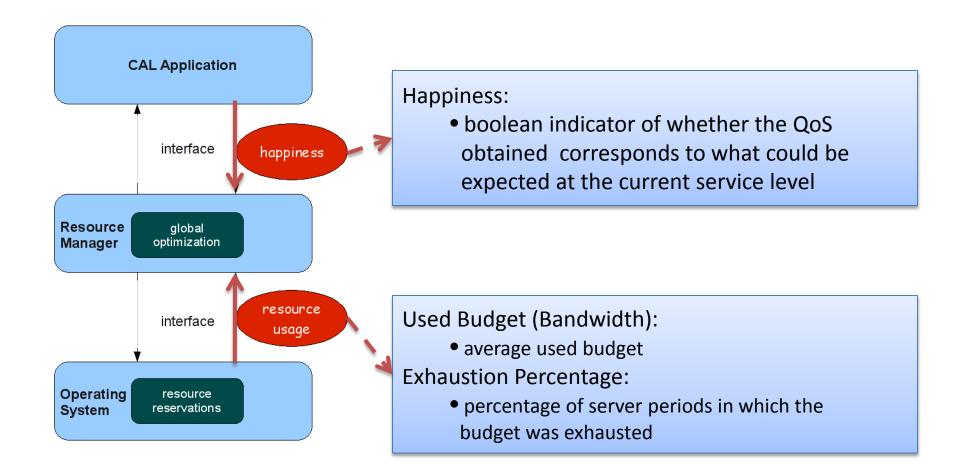
- Thread IDs and how they should be grouped

#### From system administrator to RM at startup:

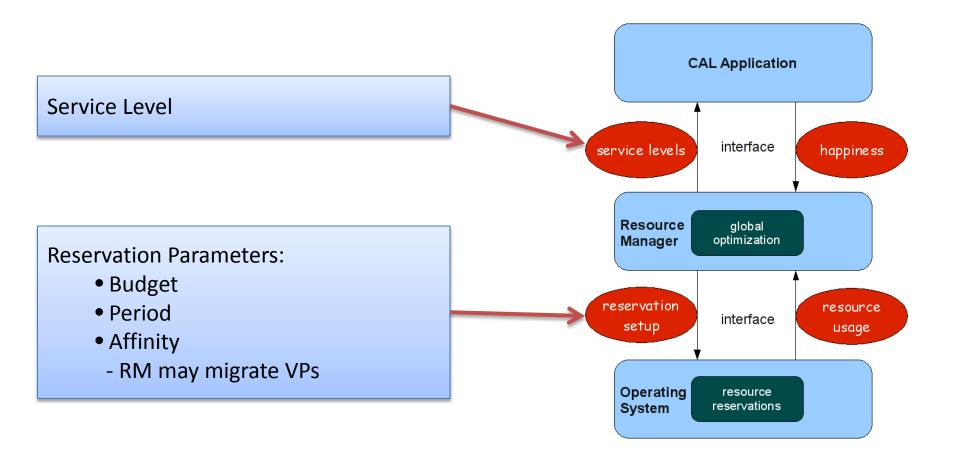
- Application Importance

Appl.	Importance	
Appl 1	10	
Appl 2	20	
Appl 3	100	
Default	10	

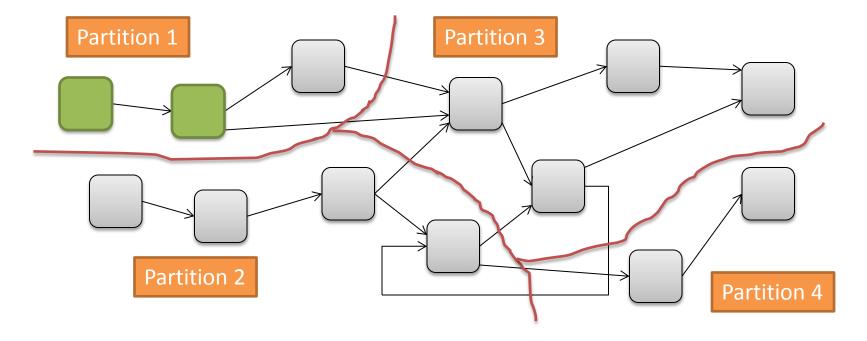
### **Dynamic Inputs**



### Outputs

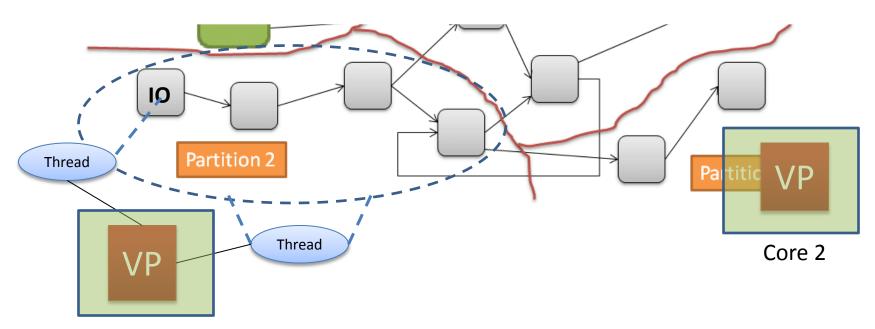


# **Dataflow Analysis**



- Static partitioning
- Automatic analysis for SDF/CSDF actors
- Automatic merging of SDF/CSDF actors to improve run-time performance

### CAL Run-Time System

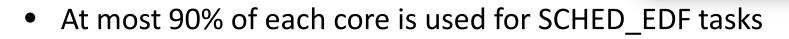


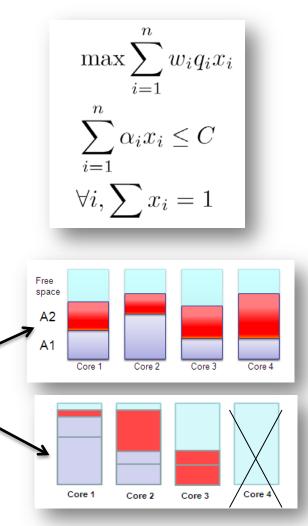
Core 1

- One thread per partition executing its actors using round-robin
- One thread per "system actor" (IO, time)
- The threads from the same partition are executed by the same virtual processor
- If possible the VPs are mapped to different physical cores in order to enable parallel execution

# **Resource Manager Functionality**

- Assign service levels
  - When applications register or unregister
  - Formulated as a ILP problem
    - Importance as weight
  - glpk solver
- Mapping & bandwidth distribution
  - Map reservations to cores
  - Distribute the total BW to the reservations
     Two Approaches:
    - Spread out the VPs and balance the load
    - Pack the VPs in as few cores as possible
      - Allow turning off unused cores
  - Bin packing



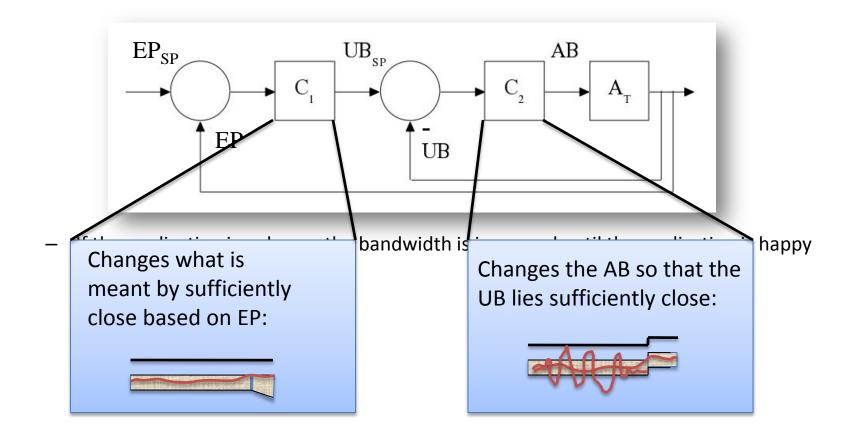


# **Resource Manager Functionality**

- Separate service level assignment and BW Distribution
  - The best service level assignment may lead to an unfeasible BW distribution
  - Approach 1:
    - New SL assignment that generates the next best solution
      - New BW Distribution
  - Approach 2:
    - Compress the individual VPs

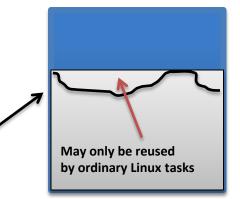
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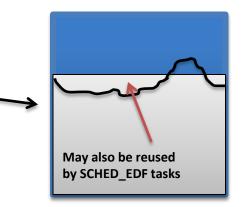
- Bandwidth adaptation
  - Adjust the servers bandwidth dynamically based on measured resource usage and obtained happiness



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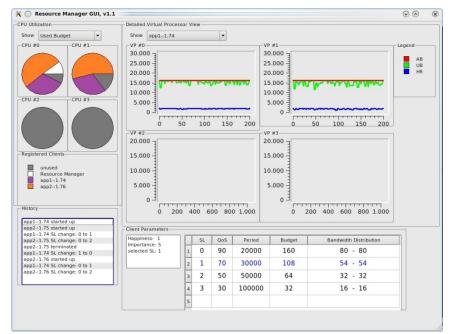
- Multiple bandwidth adaptation strategies
- Strategy 1:
  - A VP may never consume more bandwidth than what was originally assigned to it
  - BW controller may reduce the BW if not used
- Strategy 2:
  - A VP may use more resources than originally assigned to it
    - If there are free resources available, or
    - If there are VPs of less important applications that use more BW than originally allocated to them
    - In the latter case the less important applications are compressed
    - All applications are always guaranteed to obtain their originally assigned values (can never be compressed beyond that)





# **RM Support Software**

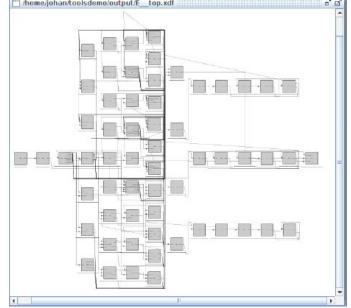
- GUI
  - VP to core assignment
  - AB, UB, and EP
  - Service Level Table
  - Event history
  - Itself an application under the control of the RM
- Load Generator
  - Generates artificial load for testing
- Application Wrapper
  - Wrapper for non-Actors aware applications

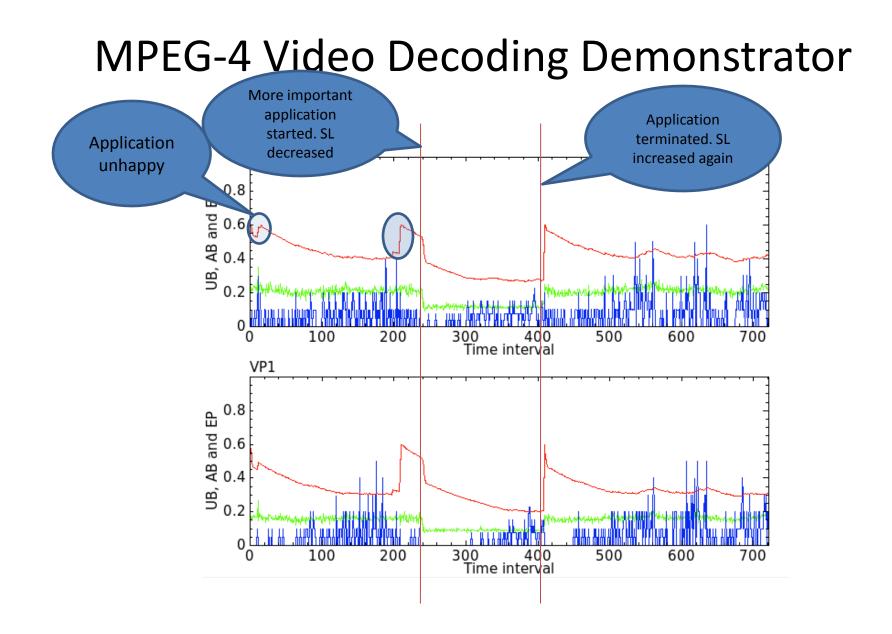


#### MPEG-4 Video Decoding Example

- MPEG-4 SP decoder implemented in CAL
- Connected to an Axis network camera
- Service level changes results in commands from the decoder to the camera to reduce the frame rate and/or resolution



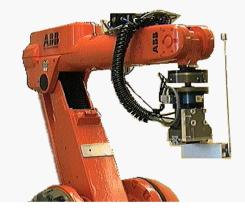




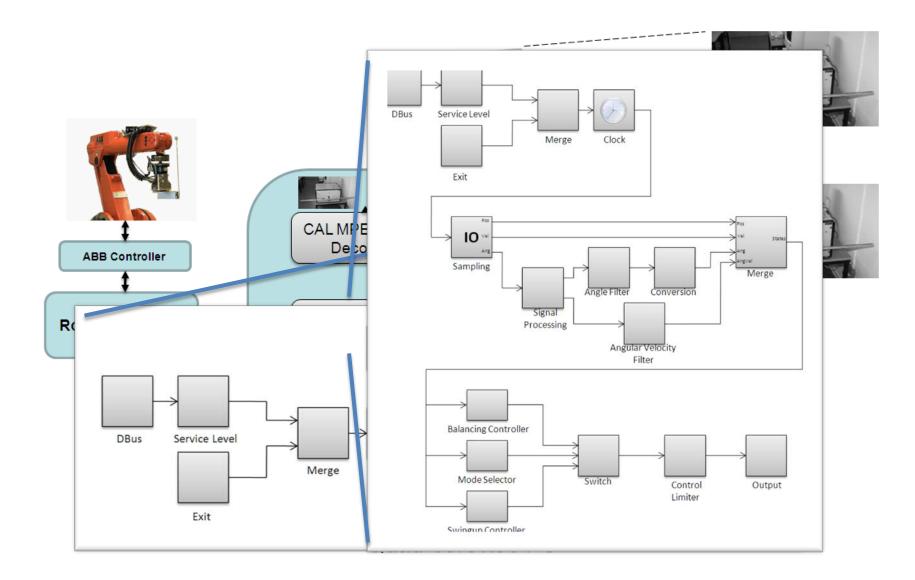
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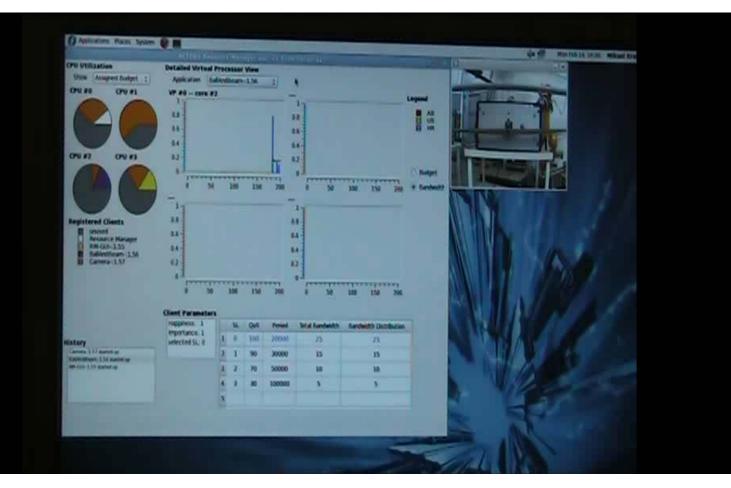
- Industrial robot balancing an inverted pendulum
  - Pendulum controller in CAL
  - Service level changes correspond to changes in sampling period
- Ball and Beam Processes
  - Controller in CAL
  - Service level changes correspond to changes in sampling period
- MPEG-4 Video Decoder
  - Service level changes correspond to changes in resolution/frame rate





#### Feedback Control Demonstrator





### Drawbacks

- ILP does not scale well
- Requires a lot of information from the applications
- More natural if the applications select their service levels and the resource manager adjust the vp size

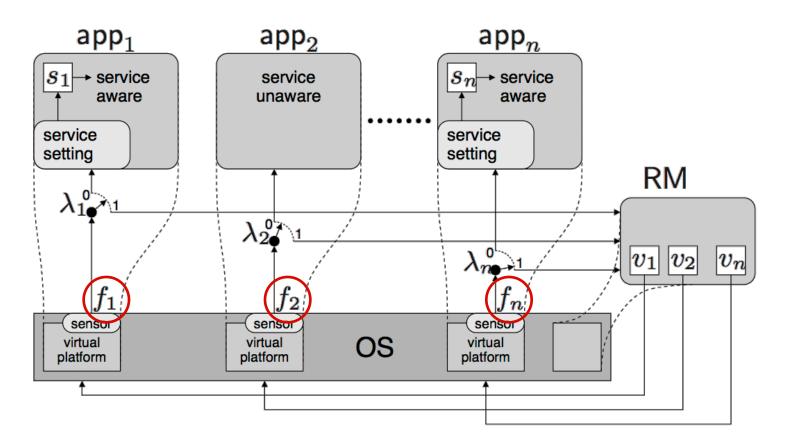
 $\rightarrow$  The game-theory inspired approach

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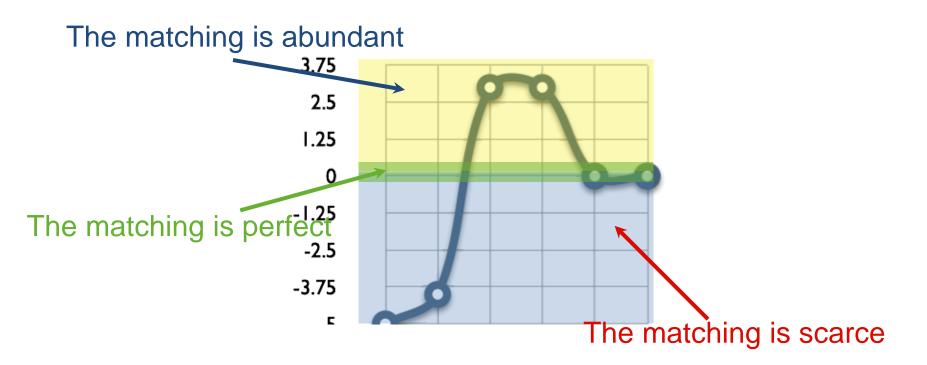
## Towards decentralization

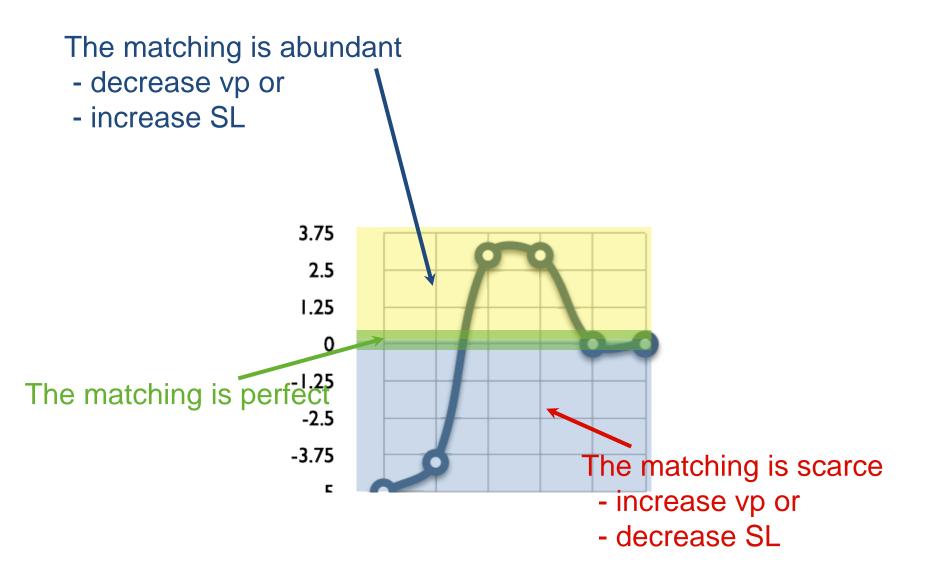
 The resource manager allocates resources and applications choose their service levels based on current performance



## Matching function

Measures how well the resources assigned to the application (vp size) matches the resource requirements (SL) of the applications





## Application weights

- $\lambda_i \in [0..1]$
- $\lambda_i = 0$  means that only the application should adjust
- $\lambda_i = 1$  means that only the resource manager should adjust

## **Matching Function**

Application executes a series of jobs

- Execution time  $C_i = a_i s_i$ 

- Response time for each job  $R_i = \frac{C_i}{v_i} = \frac{a_i s_i}{v_i}$ 

– Want this to be equal to the deadline  $D_i$ 

– Hence

$$f_i = \frac{D_i}{R_i} - 1 = \frac{D_i v_i}{a_i s_i} - 1 = \beta_i \frac{v_i}{s_i} - 1$$

- Can be measured from job start and stop times
- Depends on service level and virtual processor speed

## **Resource Manager**

At each step:

- Measure  $f_i$  for all the applications
  - The applications report the start and stop of each job by writing to shared memory
  - RM reads from shared memory and calculates the response time
- Updates the virtual processors:

$$v_i(k+1) = v_i + \varepsilon_{RM}(k) \left( -\lambda_i f_i(k) + \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j f_j(k) v_i(k) \right)$$
$$\varepsilon_{RM}(k) = \frac{1}{k+1}$$

## Service Level Adjustment

- Should set  $s_i$  so that  $f_i$  becomes 0
- Naive approach:  $s_i(k + 1) = \beta_i v_i(k + 1)$ - Assumes knowledge of  $\beta_i$
- Instead estimate  $\beta_i$

$$\beta_i = (1 + f_i(k)) \frac{s_i(k)}{v_i(k)}$$

• Gives

$$s_i(k+1) = (1 + f_i(k)) \frac{v_i(k+1)}{v_i(k)} s_i(k)$$

- Continuous service levels
- Robustified

## Game Theory

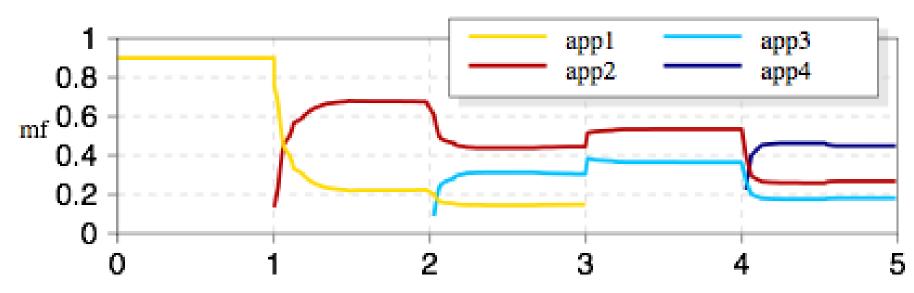
- Provides convergence results and results about stationary values
- For example
  - A stationary point satisfies the following condition
    - The matching function is zero
       OR
    - The service level is the smallest possible AND the matching function is negative

### Implementation

- Using SCHED\_DEADLINE
  - New EDF+CBS scheduling policy in Linux
  - Developed by Evidence within ACTORS

## Evaluation

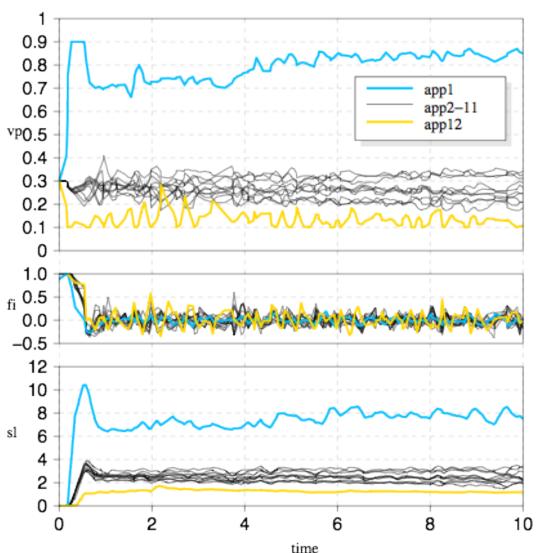
- Convergence of virtual processors
- Four applications  $\lambda 1 = 0.1, \lambda 2 = 0.3, \lambda 3 = 0.2$  and  $\lambda 4 = 0.5$



Resources assigned proportinally to the normalized weights

## Evaluation

- Multicore
- 12 identical apps
- Different weights
  - 1 high
  - 12 low
  - 2-11 medium
- Resources proportional to the service levels



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# Cloud

- As soon as you use any networked computing unit (laptop, smart phone, sensor device, ...) the likelihood that the computations will be performed in a data center somewhere in the cloud, rather than locally, is very large
- News, mail, photos, tickets, books, clothes, maps, social media, television, music, banking, administrative systems, technical software,

# The Datacenter





#### Rack or blade-mounted servers

A modern Amazon data center consists of 50-80.000 physical servers Each server typically has 4-8 cores



#### Networking



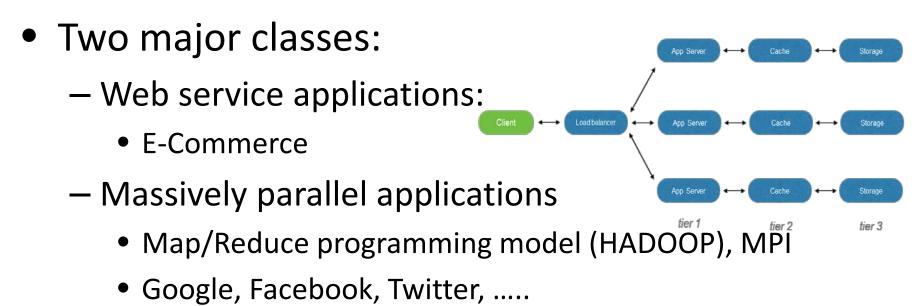
**Power supplies** 



#### Cooling

## What runs in the cloud?

- Everything that can execute on physical hardware can in principle do so on virtual hardware in the cloud
  - But constraints on latency, throughput, IO, ...



## Problems with the Cloud

Low level of determinism and predictability
 – No hard performance guarantees

#### Service Commitment

AWS will use commercially reasonable efforts to make Amazon EC2 and Amazon EBS each available with a Monthly Uptime Percentage (defined below) of at least 99.95%, in each case during any monthly billing cycle (the "Service Commitment"). In the event Amazon EC2 or Amazon EBS does not meet the Service Commitment, you will be eligible to receive a Service Credit as described below.

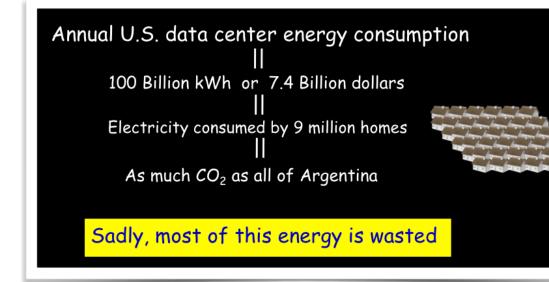
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   No hard performance guarantees
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## **Cloud Energy Consumption**



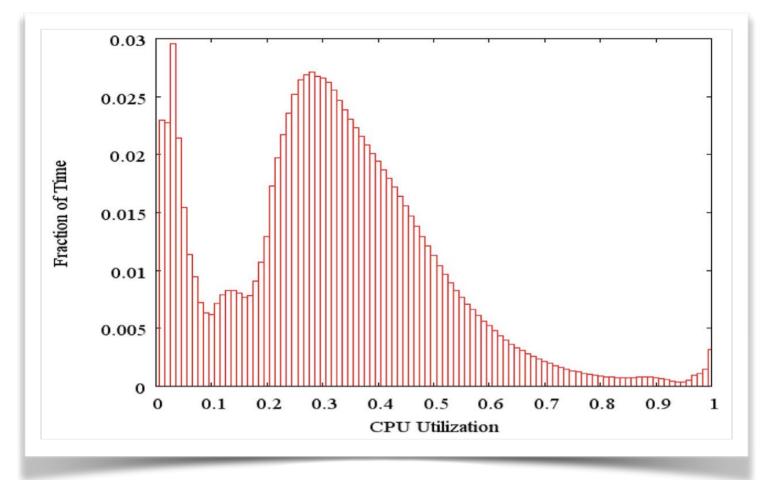


Facebook in Luleå, Sweden will consume 1 TWh/year – approx 40.000 family houses

## Problems with the Cloud

- Low level of determinism and predictability
   No hard performance guarantees
- Data centers consume a lot of energy
- Data centers have low utilization

# **Datacenter Utilization**



5000 google servers over 6 months Source: "The Datacenter as a computer", Barroso et al

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Room for better resource management techniques

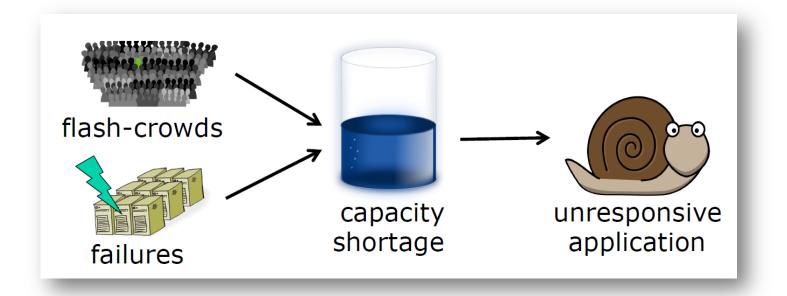
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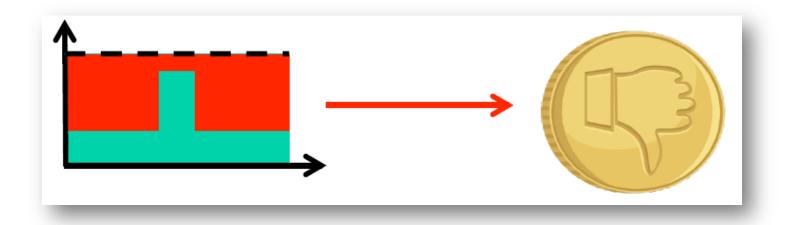
- Apply the game-theoretic resource manager to cloud applications
- Focus on state-free, request-based applications

## **Problem: Unexpected Events**



- 25% of end-users leave if load time > 4s\*
- 1% reduced sale per 100ms load time\*
- 20% reduced income if 0.5s longer load time\*\*
- \* Amazon \*\* Google

#### **Standard Practice**



- Overprovisioning
  - Economically impractical

### Brownouts

- We borrow from the concept of **brownouts** in power grids
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### Tokyo Tower Brownout

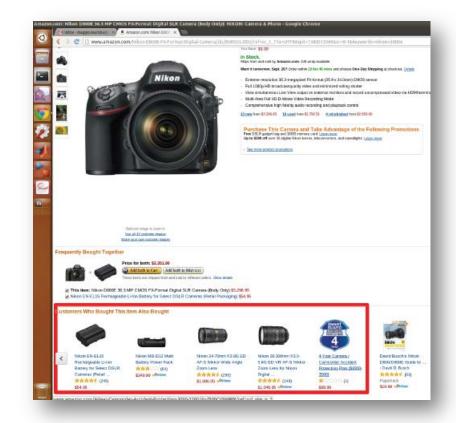
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- We assume that the reply to a request consists of a mandatory and an optional part
- During overload and/or lack of resources the percentage of requests that also receives the optional part can be decreased

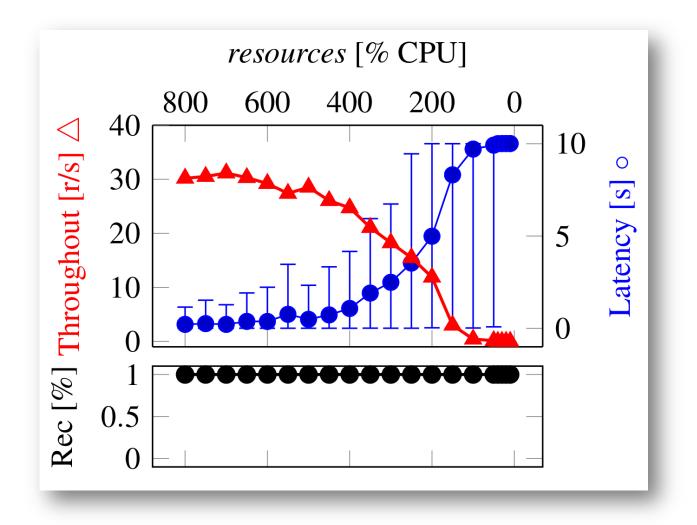
### **Brownout Examples**

- E-commerce systems with recommendations
- Content adaptation in web server applications

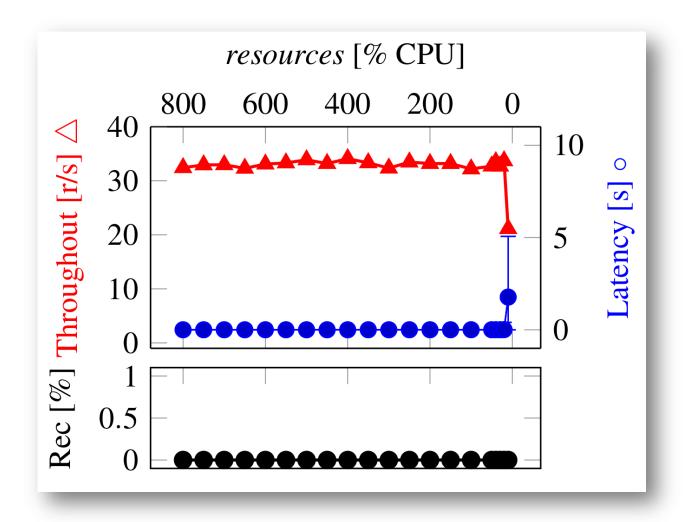
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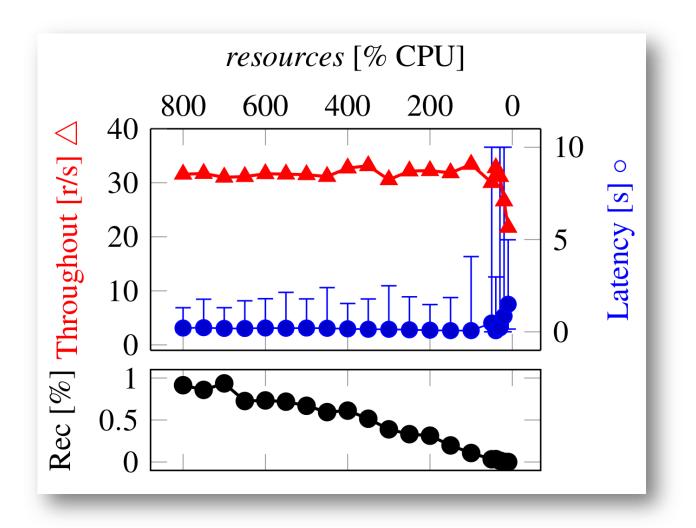
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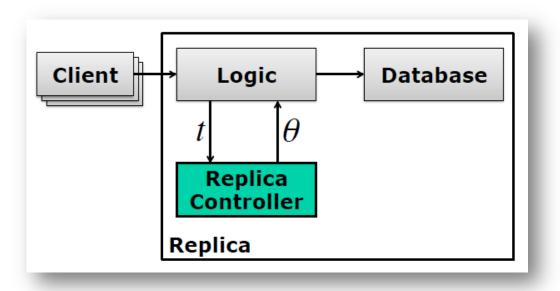
### **Never Service Optional Part**



### With Brownout



# **Brownout Control Loop**

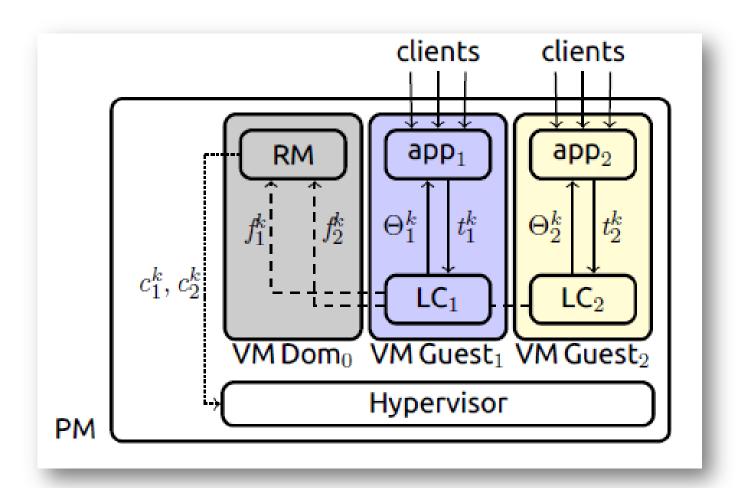


- Measured variable: Response time (average or 95% percentile)
- Control signal: Dimmer value (percentage of requests for which also the optional parts are calculated)
- Setpoint: 2 seconds

## **Brownout Controllers**

- Adaptive PI and/or PID controllers
- Adaptive deadbeat controller
- Feedforward + feedback controller
  - Assumes knowledge of average service time for mandatory and optional parts

### **Brownout Resource Management**



### **Resource Management Details**

• Applications sends value of **matching function** 

$$f_i^k = 1 - t_i^k / \bar{t}_i$$

Resource manager computes size of virtual machine

$$c_i^{k+1} = c_i^k - \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{rm} \left( f_i^k - c_i^k \cdot \sum_p f_p^k \right)$$

• Proven to be fair and converge using game theory

# Evaluation

- Applications
  - RUBiS: eBay-like prototype auction website
    - Added a recommender
  - RUBBoS: Slashdot-like bulletin board website
    - Added a recommender
    - Marked comments as optional
  - Effort in lines of code:

Modification	RUBiS	RUBBoS
Recommender	37	22
Dimmer	3	6
Reporting response time to controller	5	5
Controller	120	120
Total	165	153



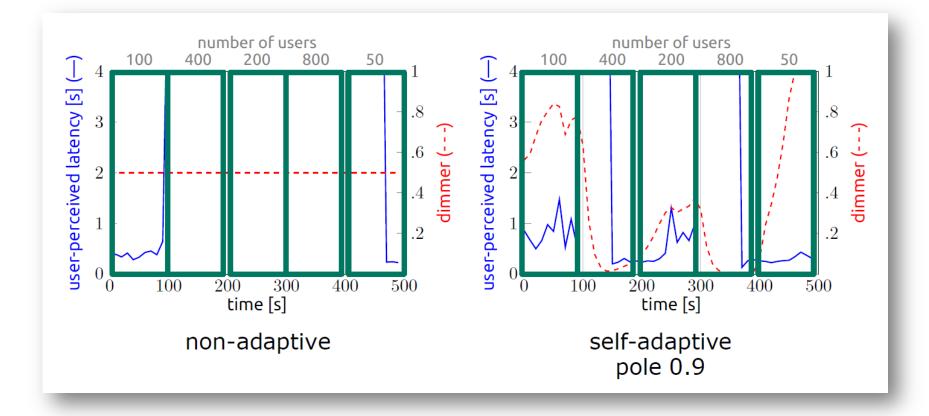


# Evaluation

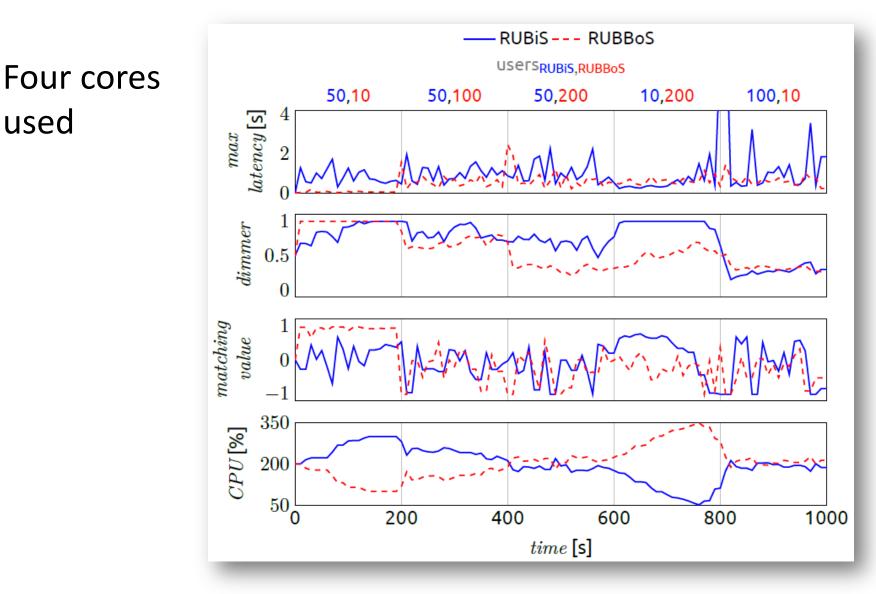
- Hardware
  - One physical machine
  - Two AMD Opteron 6272 processors
  - 16 cores / processor
- Hypervisor
  - Xen
  - Each VM contains Apache web server, PHP interpreter, MySQL server, and brownout controller
- Client load generator
  - Custom built httpmon
  - Closed loop model
    - Clients with think time

### **Experimental Results**

• RUBiS flash crowds

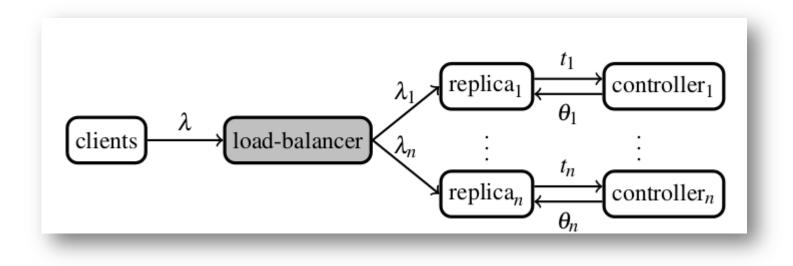


### **Experimental Results**



# Load Balancing

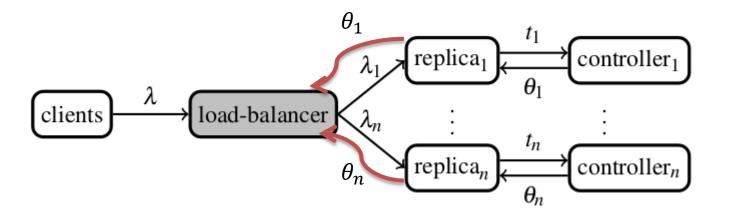
- Multiple replicas
  - Support scaling
  - Robust towards faults
- Load balancing



# **Existing Load Balancers**

- Dynamic load balancers often measure response times and decide based on that – FRF, FRF-EWMA, 2RC, Predictive ...
- Does not work well in the presence of brownout control
  - the replica controllers keep the response times close to the setpoint

### **Brownout-Aware Load Balancing**



- New load balancing schemes have been developed that make use of the dimmer values
- Piggyback the dimmer values to the replies going back to the load balancer

# Challenges

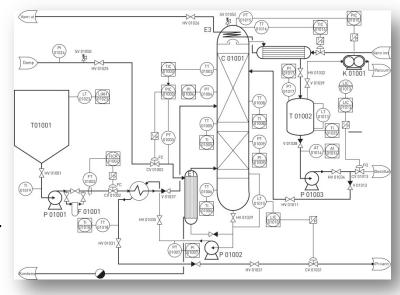
- Modeling of resources and of workload
   Very difficult to predict peaks
- Scalability
  - What work for 500 servers will most likely not work for 50 000 servers
- Everything will break down all the time
   Netflix chaos monkey
- Difficult to isolate the phenomenon under study
- Only industry have real data centers
  - Very industry-driven area
  - Google, Microsoft, .....

# **Process Automation Comparison**

- Compare with process industry in the 1940-50s
  - Manual control
- Next step PI(D) +
  - Feedforward, cascade, ratio selector logic, split-range, midrange, .....



- Flow control, temperature control, .....
- Now
  - MPC control + optimization-based long-term planning
  - But still PI(D) at the lowest level

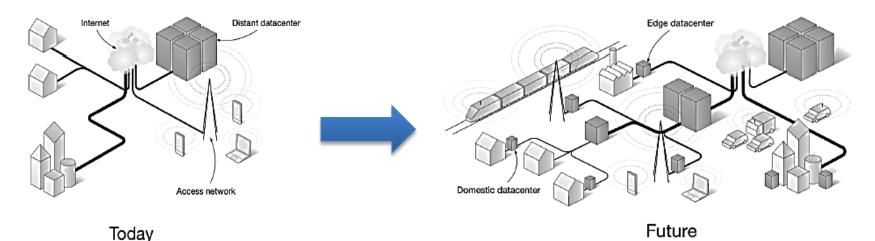


## **Process Automation Comparison**

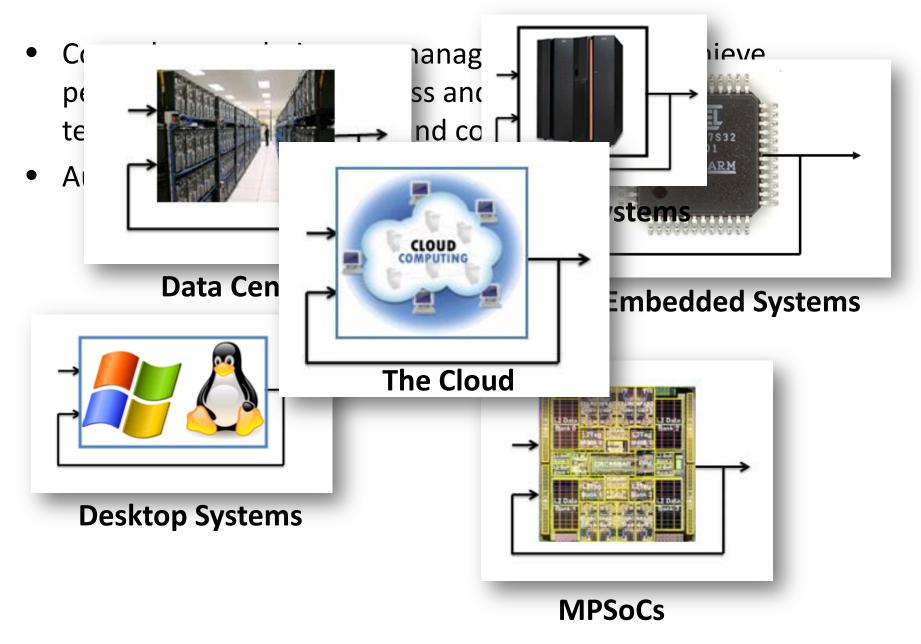
- Lessons:
  - Keep it simple ("KISS")
  - Start with classical, e.g. PID, control techniques
  - Add optimization control on top of this if required
- Differences:
  - Flexibility and generality
  - Behavior not governed by laws of nature
- Maybe one have to constrain the flexibility in order to achieve determinism

# The Future Distributed Cloud

- 5G opens up for new application classes
  - Mission-critical applications, e.g., closed loop control
  - Requirements on low latency and high availability –> predictability
- Network and cloud convergence
  - Boundary between the network and datacenters disappears
  - Telco cloud, mobile cloud, infinite cloud
  - Computations to be dynamically deployed in all types of nodes, incl base stations and remote data centers
  - The Resource Management Problem: To decide how much and what type of resources to allocate and where and when to deploy them.



### **Feedback Computing**



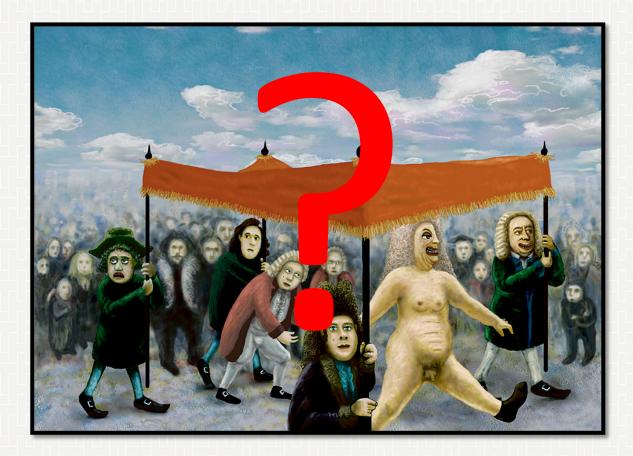
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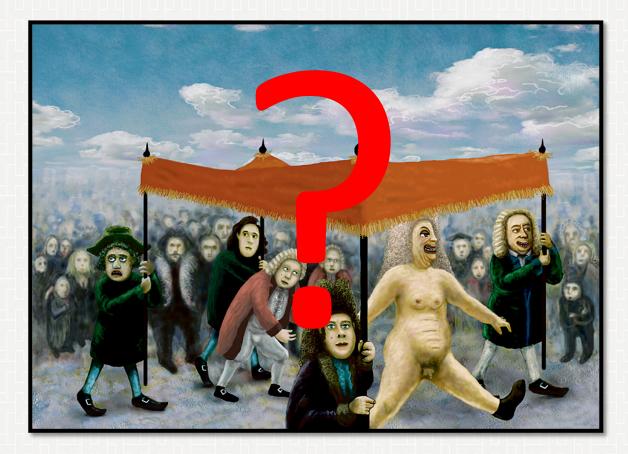
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#### **CPS Software: Emperor's New Clothes or Not?**

An Embedded Controls Point of View



# **Emperor's New Clothes - YES**

- Close interaction with the physical environment has always been crucial both in embedded systems and control
- Same thing with limited computing resources
- Networks is also nothing new
  - Distributed embedded systems
  - NoC

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- Networked Control
- CPS is mostly a matter of scale

## **Emperor's New Clothes - NO**

- Traditional embedded systems
  - Too simplified view of physical part
  - Generator of events with deadlines
    - Periodic, aperiodic, .....
  - Too strong emphasis on worst-case design and hard guarantees
- Traditional control
  - Too simplified view of cyber part
    - Periodic execution
    - Zero or constant latencies
    - Parallel

#### **The Emperor's New Clothes – CPS Version**









### **Embedded Systems Coat**



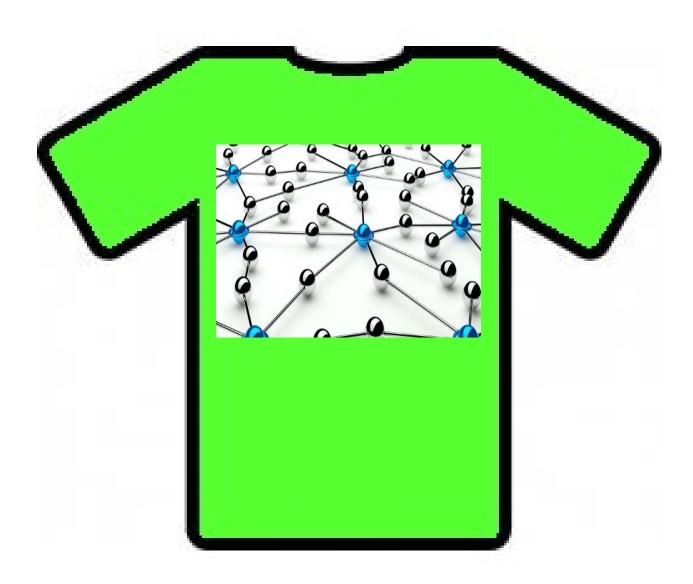
### **Control Coat**



### **Internet of Things Coat**



### System-of-Systems Coat





# **CPS Coat**

### The Universal Coat of All Colors



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## So What Next?

- CPS, Systems of systems, IoT, Smart X, .... Has been around for some time
- What will be the next area?



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