

Networking Infrastructure and Data Management for Cyber-Physical Systems

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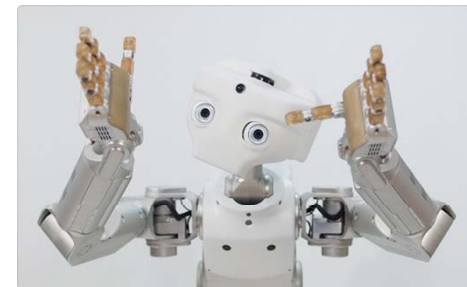
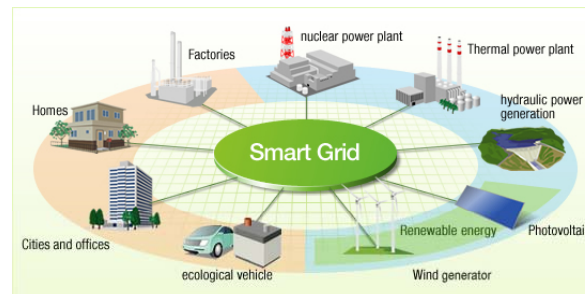
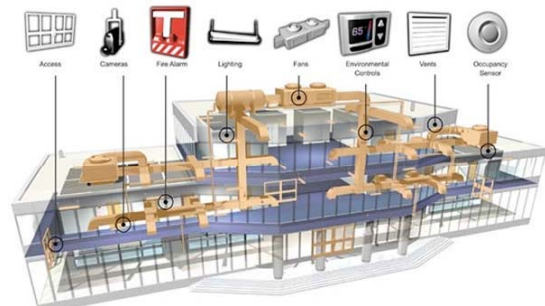
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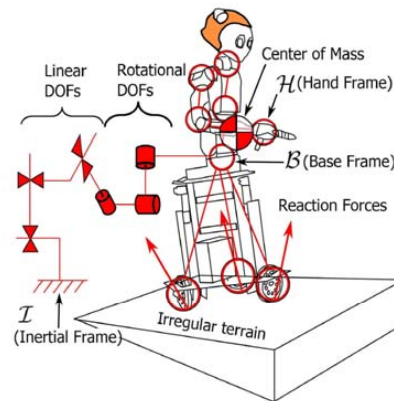
What is Cyber-Physical System (CPS)?

Cyber-physical system is a system featuring a tight combination of, and coordination between, the system's computational and physical elements.

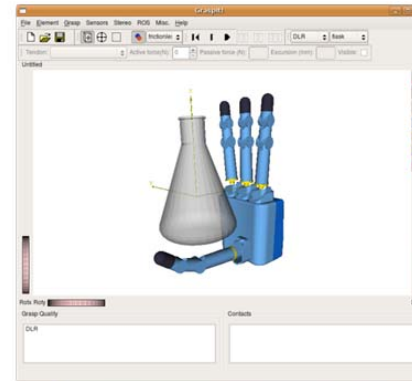


CPS Application – Cyberphysical Avatar

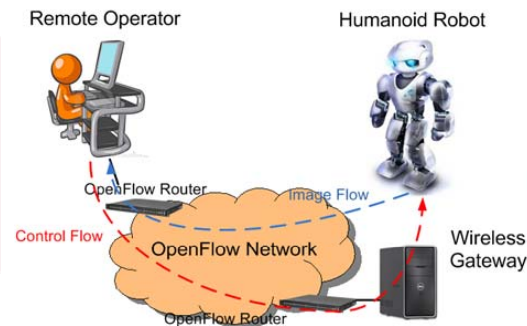
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Structure Design



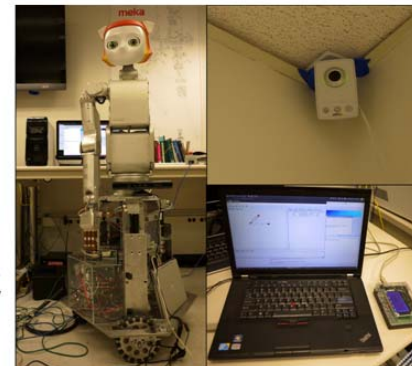
Skill Acquisition
through Machine
Learning



Real-time
Avatar-Human
Interaction

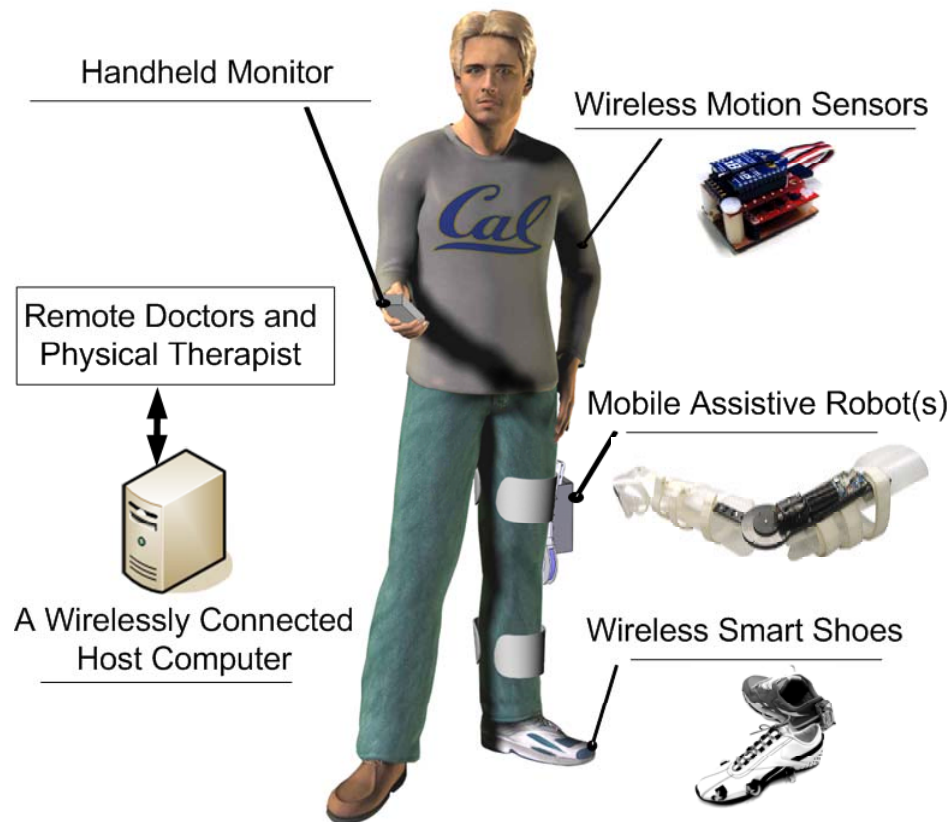


Prototype
Testbed



Cyberphysical Avatar: A semi-autonomous robotic system (joint project with UT Human Centered Robotics Lab)

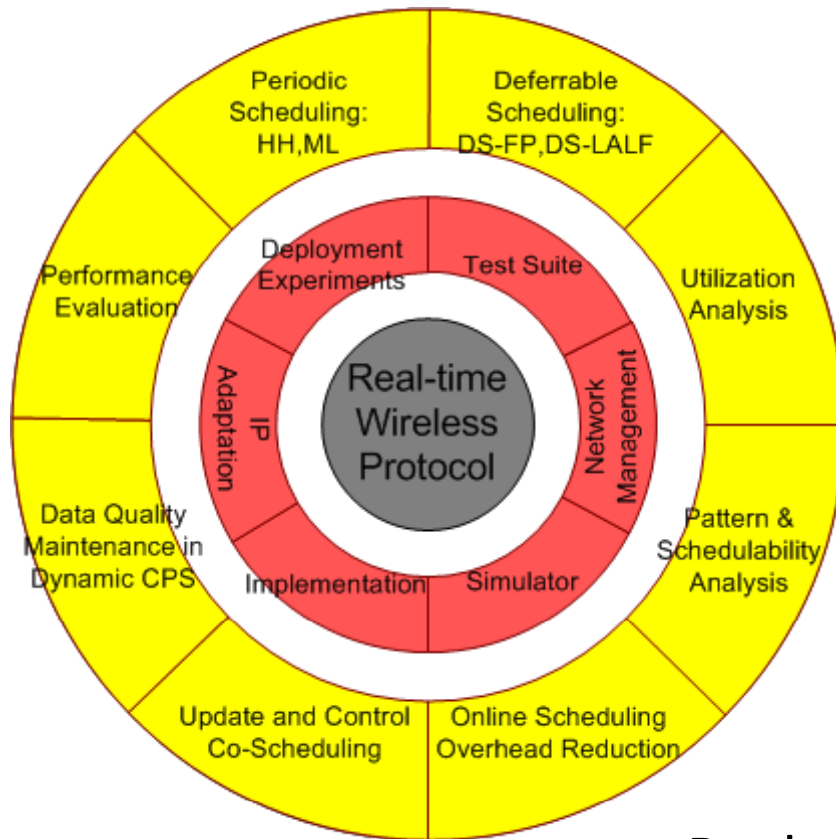
CPS Application – Network-based Mobile Gait Rehabilitation System



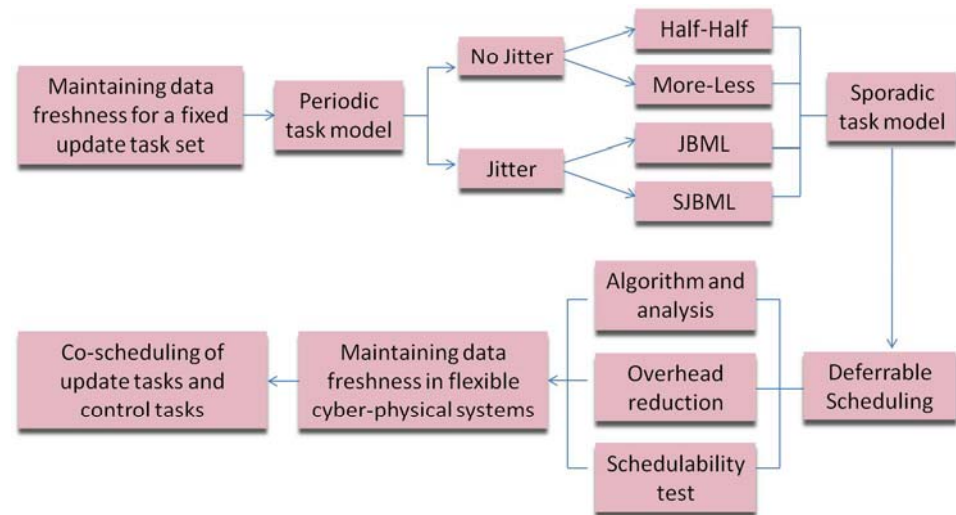
- Integrating heterogeneous sensors into real-time wireless platform
- Low-level motion control of rehabilitation device over wireless network
- Development of high-level decision making algorithm

Network-based Mobile Gait Rehabilitation System (joint project with Mechanical Systems Control Laboratory, UC Berkeley)

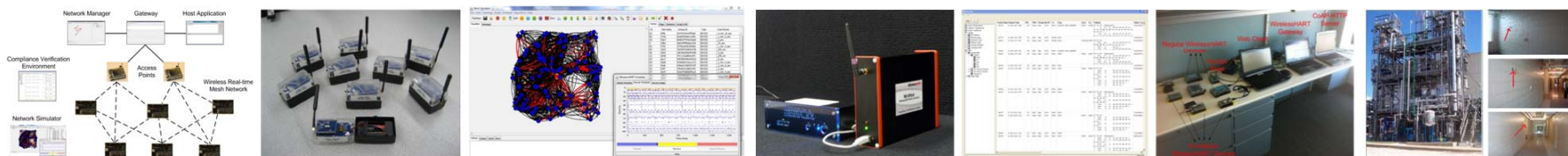
Research Overview



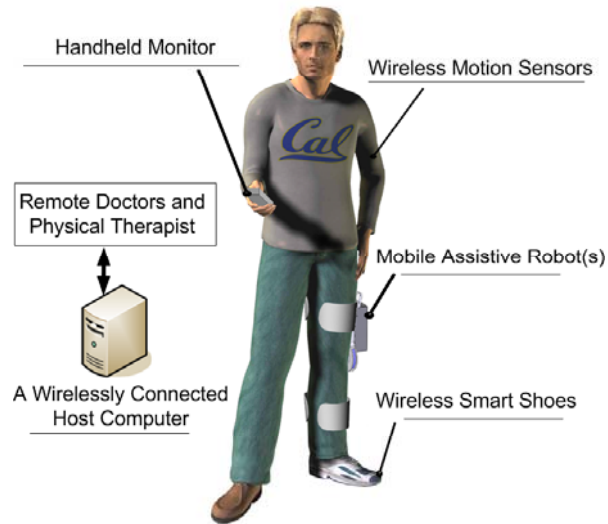
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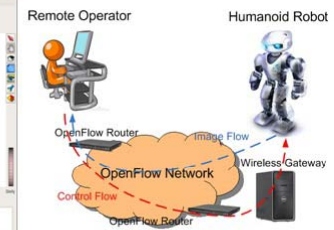
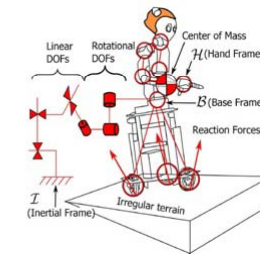
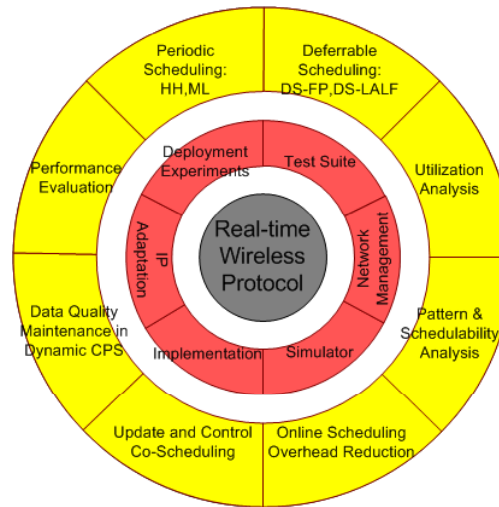
Real-time Wireless Communication Platform



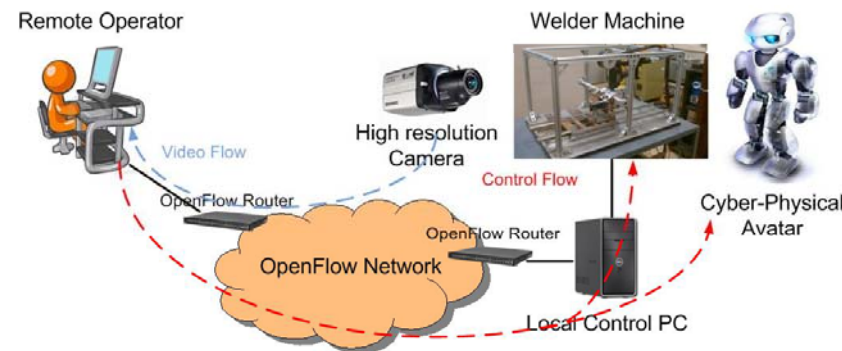
Guiding Applications



Network-based Rehabilitation System



Cyberphysical Avatar



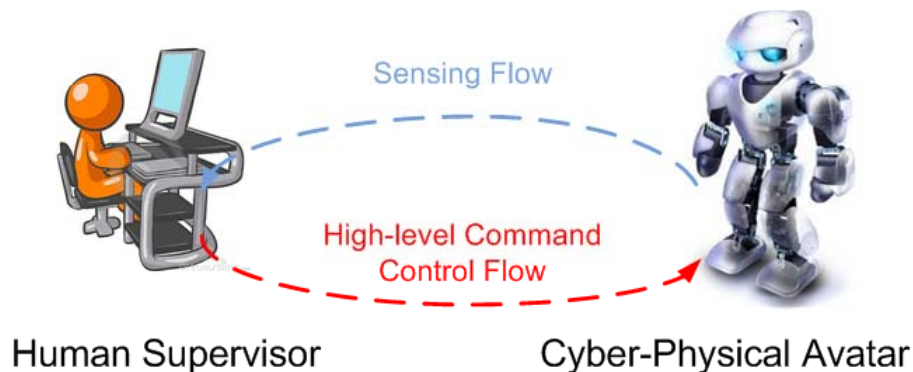
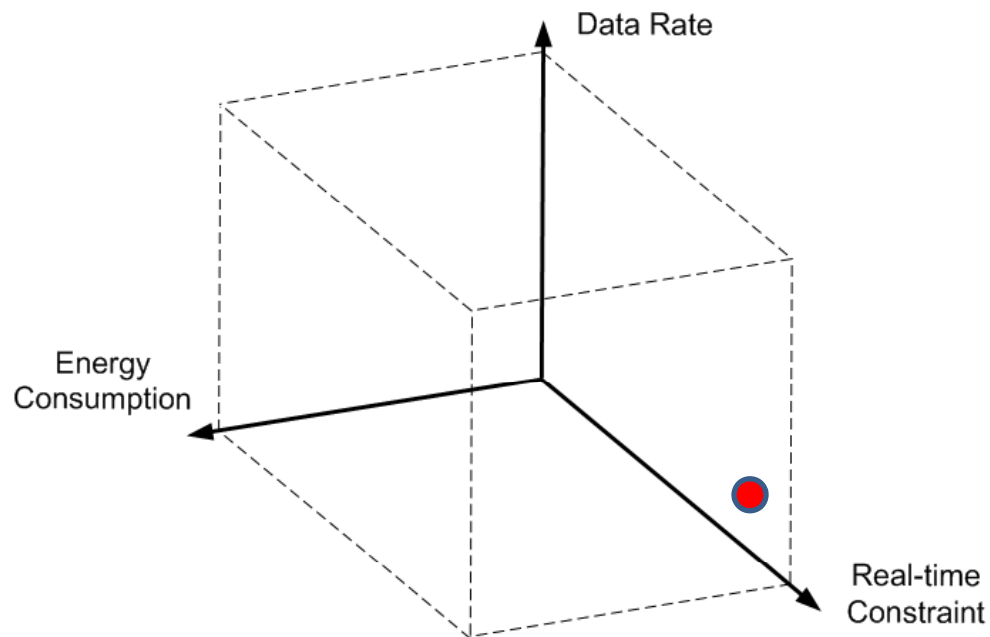
Remote and Real-time Welding System

Outline

- Research Overview
- Reliable and Real-time Wireless Platform for CPS
 - Wireless real-time communication protocol
 - Network management techniques
 - System design and implementation
- Real-time Data Management in CPS
 - Model and assumptions
 - Algorithms and analysis
- Summary and Future Work

Wireless Reliable and Real-time Communication Platform

Design Space and Required Features



Low-power

- 802.15.4-based radio

Real-time

- TDMA Data Link Layer (DLL)
- Centralized management

Reliable

- Mesh networking
- Data link layer ACK
- Channel hopping mechanism

Secure

- Data integrity on DLL
- Data confidentiality on network layer (NL)

Overview of Our Real-time Protocol Stack

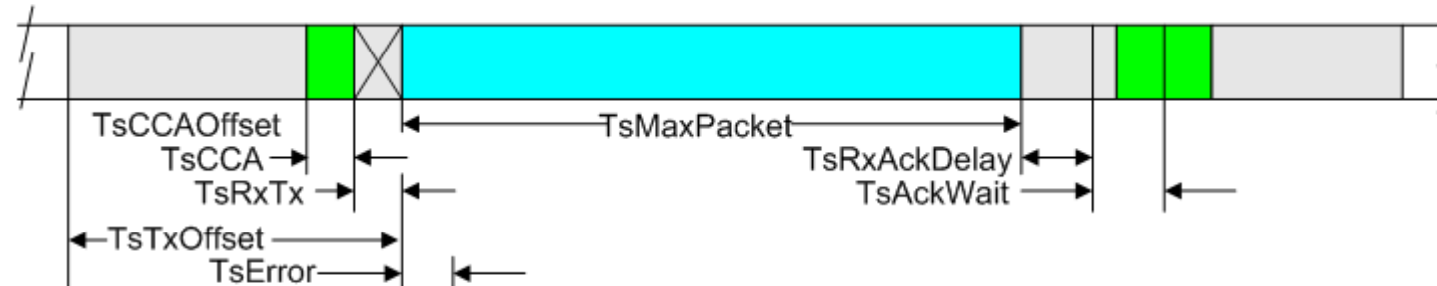
- TDMA-based Data Link Layer
 - Guarantee timely delivery
- Channel Hopping and Blacklisting
 - Spread communication in all active physical channels
 - Reduce interference to provide reliable communication
- Confidential and Secure Communication
 - Use both public and private keys to secure communication in both join process and normal operations

TDMA-based Data Link Layer

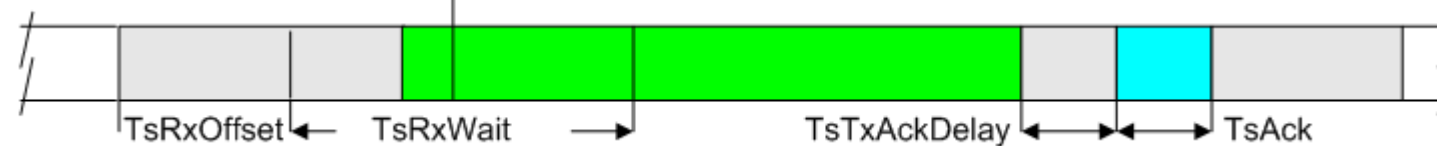


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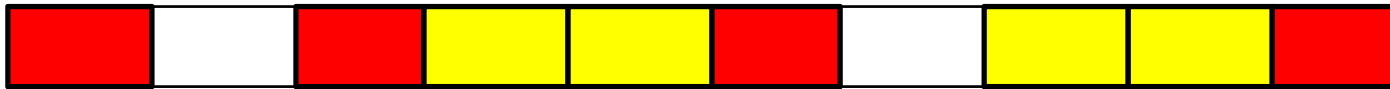
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Destination

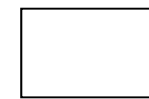


TDMA-based Data Link Layer



- Link: activity in a time slot

- Neighbor
- Send/Receive
- Communication channel



Idle link

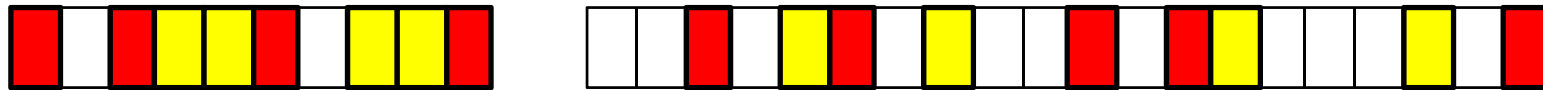


Send link



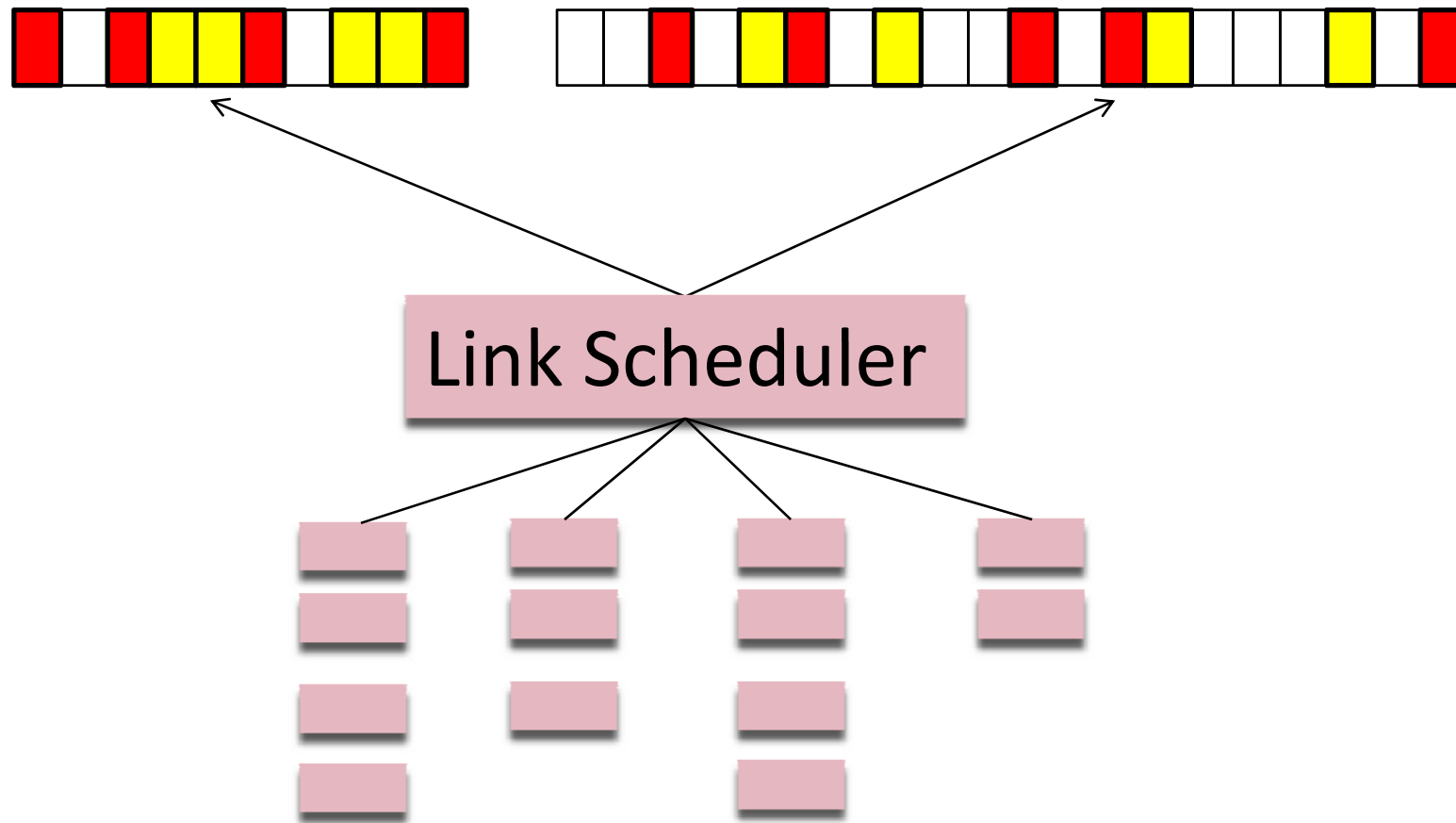
Receive link

TDMA-based Data Link Layer



- Superframe: a group of links
 - Repeat itself infinitely
 - A device can support several superframes

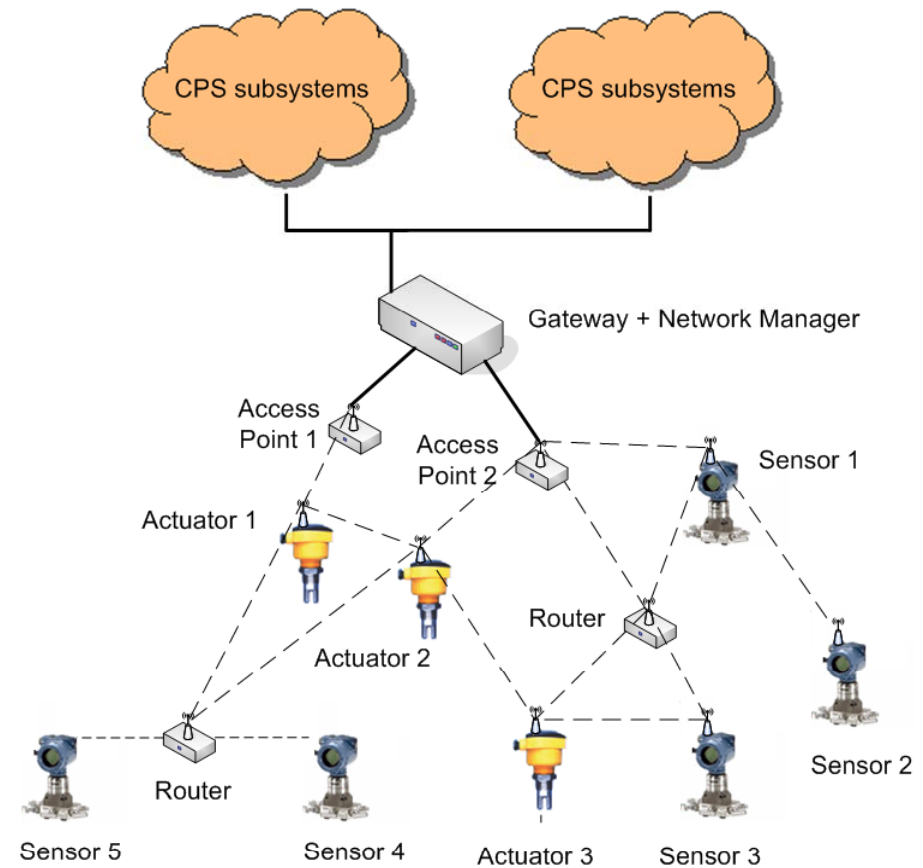
TDMA-based Data Link Layer



Priority queues for data link layer packets

How to Achieve Reliable and Real-time Services in CPS

- **Network Manager**
 - Authenticating devices
 - Forming the network
 - Constructing routing graphs
 - Scheduling DL transmissions
- **Gateway**
 - Collecting/caching sensor data
 - Process queries from other systems
- **Security Manager**
 - Manage key information

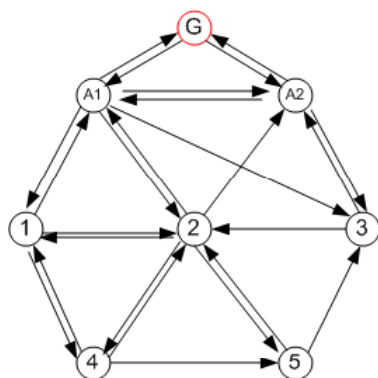


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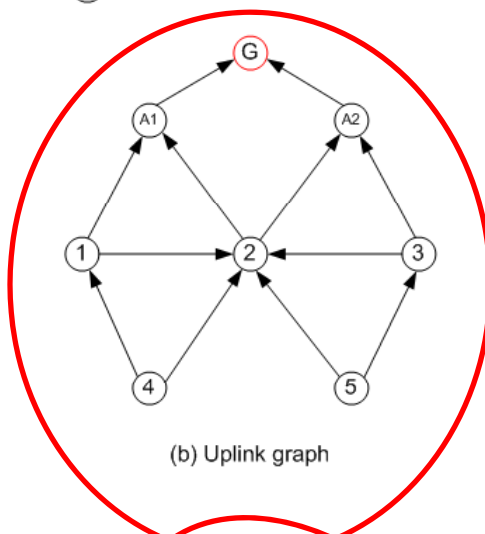
- Communication task definition
 - Need to solve two related sub-problems:
 1. communication graph design
 2. link scheduling
- Technical Objectives
 - Achieve reliable routing in wireless mesh networks
 - Achieve real-time communication by deterministic link and channel assignment
 - Evaluate their performance in real industrial environments

Communication Graph Design to Achieve Reliable Graph Routing

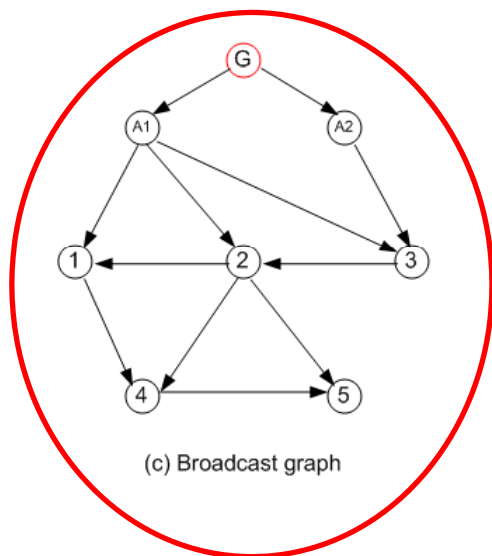
G Gateway
 A Access Point
 i Device with specific ID i



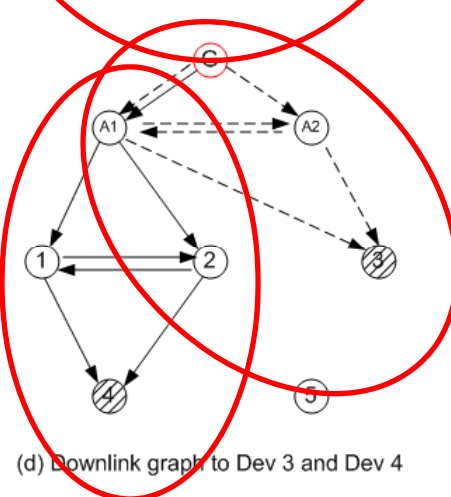
(a) Original network topology



(b) Uplink graph



(c) Broadcast graph



(d) Downlink graph to Dev 3 and Dev 4

To avoid forwarding loop:

- 1) Only one cycle of length 2 in G_v
- 2) Each DEV on the cycle has direct edges to v

Constructing Reliable Graphs

- **Reliable Broadcast Graph and Uplink Graph**
 - Grow the graph by greedily selecting the reliable node with minimum latency to the Gateway
- **Standard Reliable Downlink Graph**
 - Construct a completely new graph from GW to DEV v
 - Configuration in intermediate nodes cannot be reused
 - High configuration cost and poor scalability

Sequential Reliable Downlink Routing (SRDR)

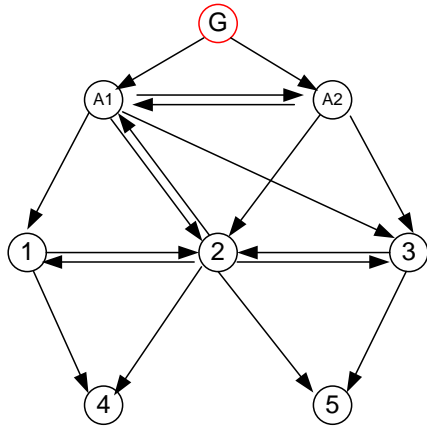
- Key Principles
 - Each node only keep a small local graph
 - Local graphs are reusable building blocks for constructing reliable downlink graph for multiple destinations

Low configuration cost

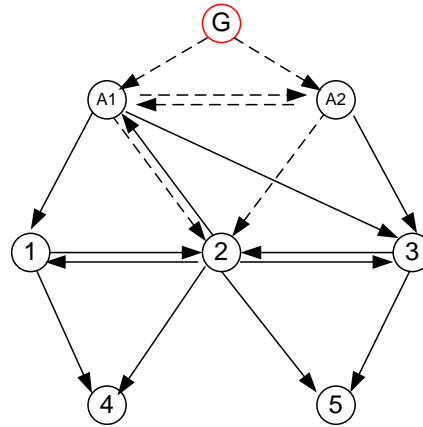
High Scalability

High Reliability

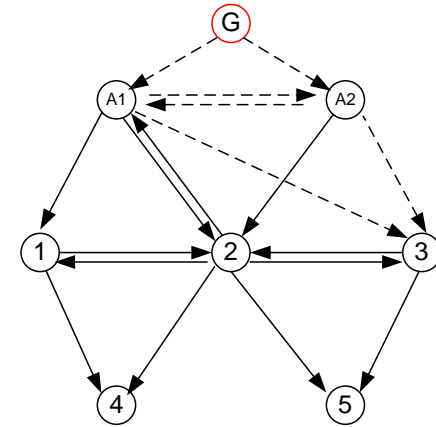
An Example of SRDR



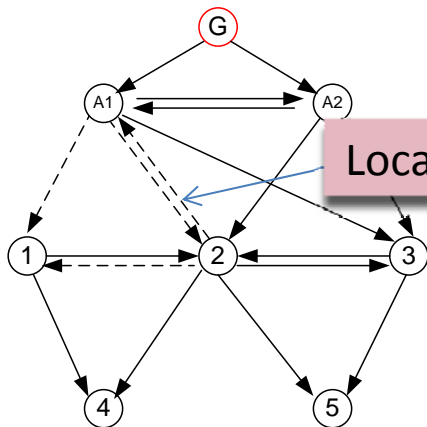
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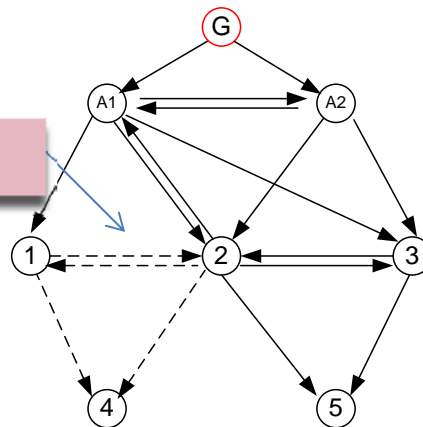
(b) Downlink graph: g2
Sequential route for Dev 2: g2



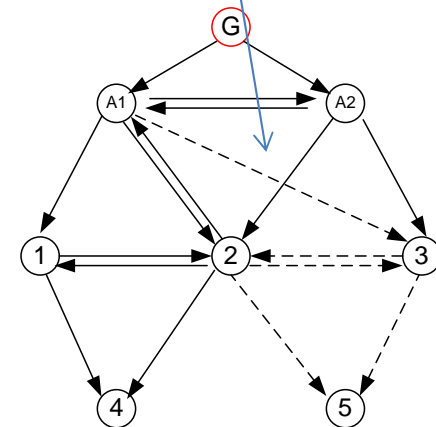
Avoid node failure at DEV2



(d) Downlink graph: g1
Sequential route for Dev 1: g2, g1

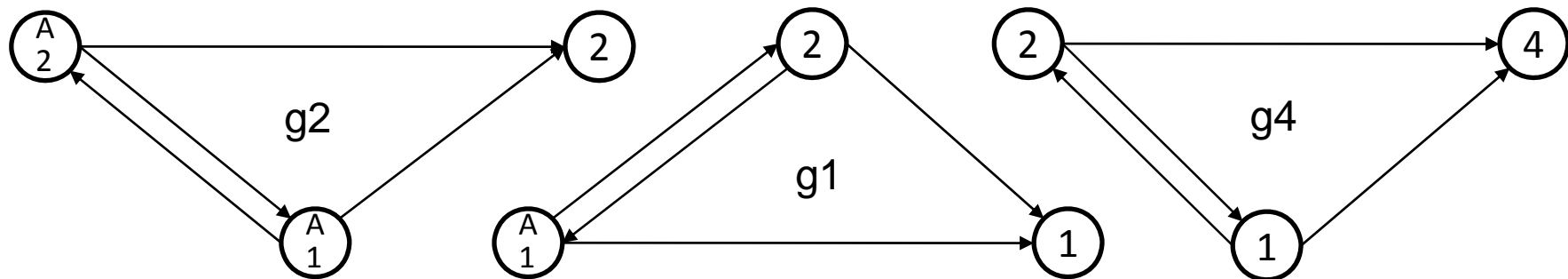
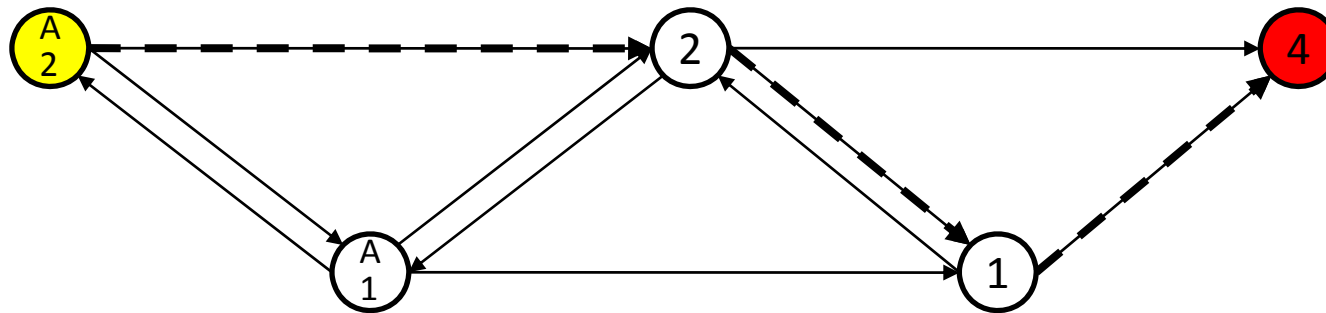


(e) Downlink graph: g4
Sequential route for Dev 4: g2, g1, g4



(f) Downlink graph: g5
Sequential route for Dev 5: g2, g5

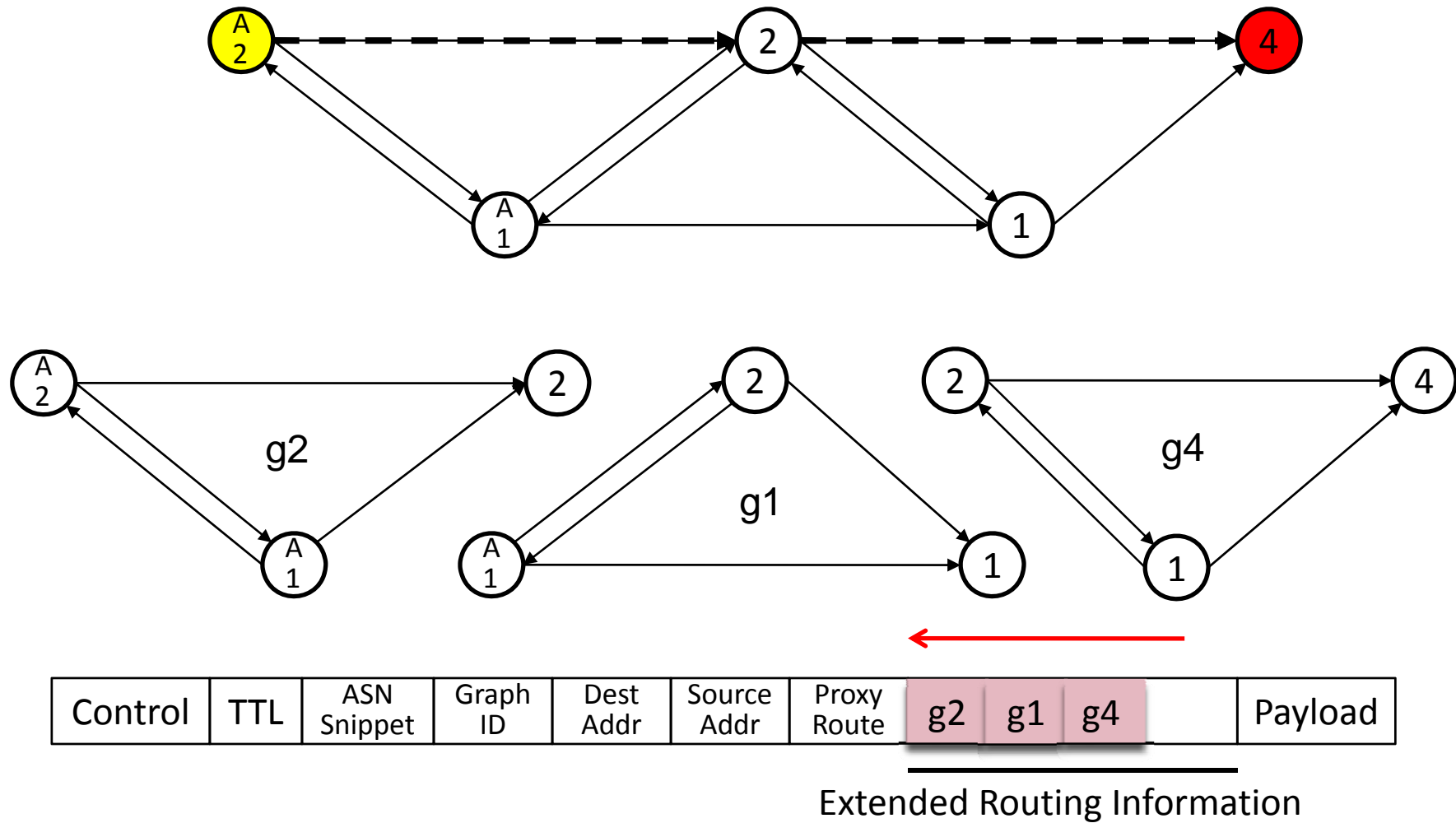
SRDR Extensions



Control	TTL	ASN Snippet	Graph ID	Dest Addr	Source Addr	Proxy Route	g2	g1	g4		Payload
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Extended Routing Information

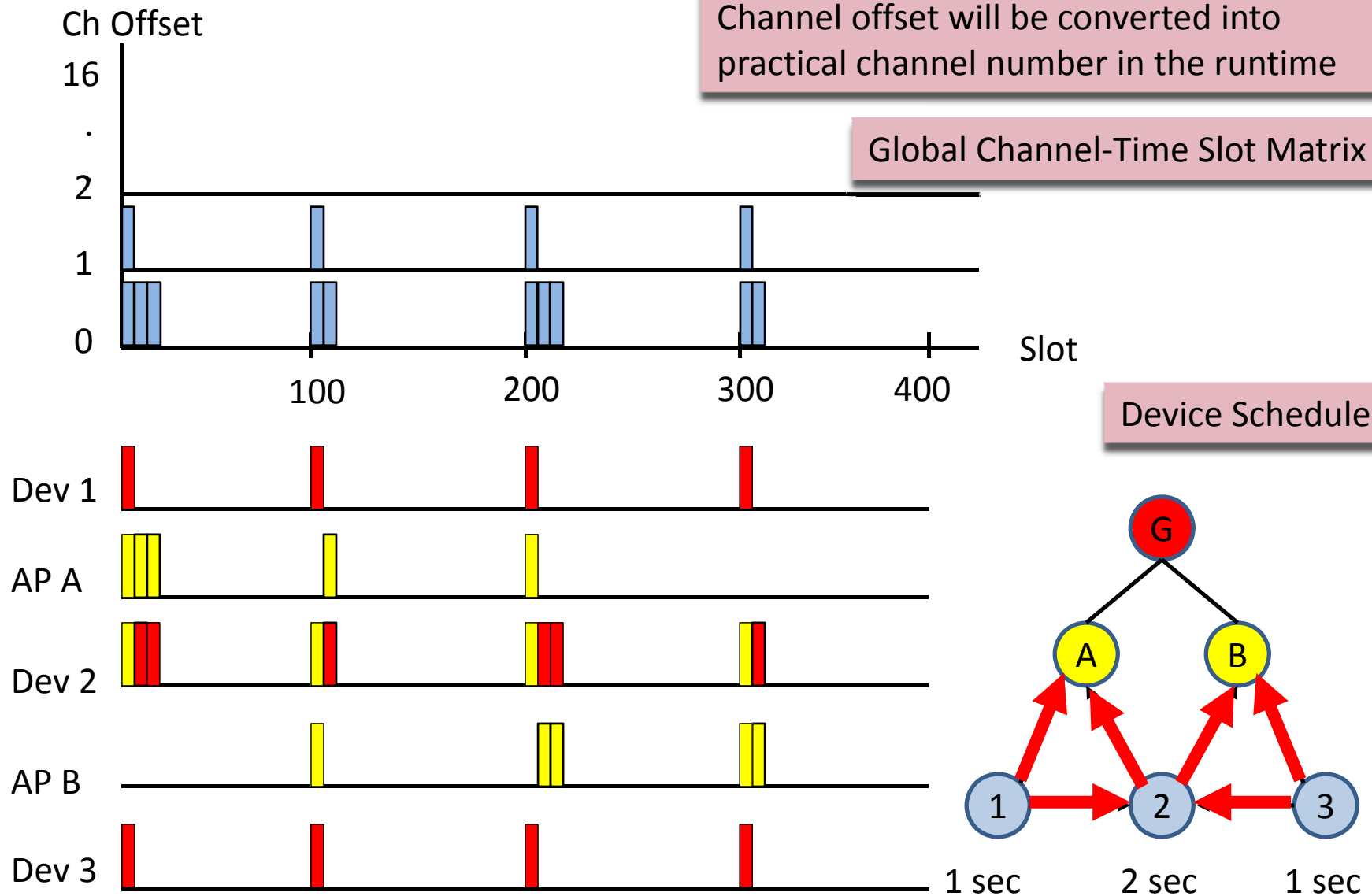
SRDR Optimization



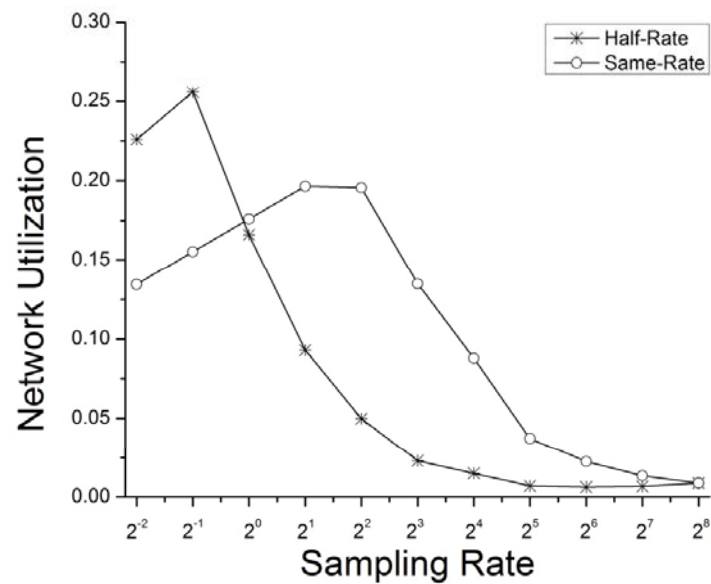
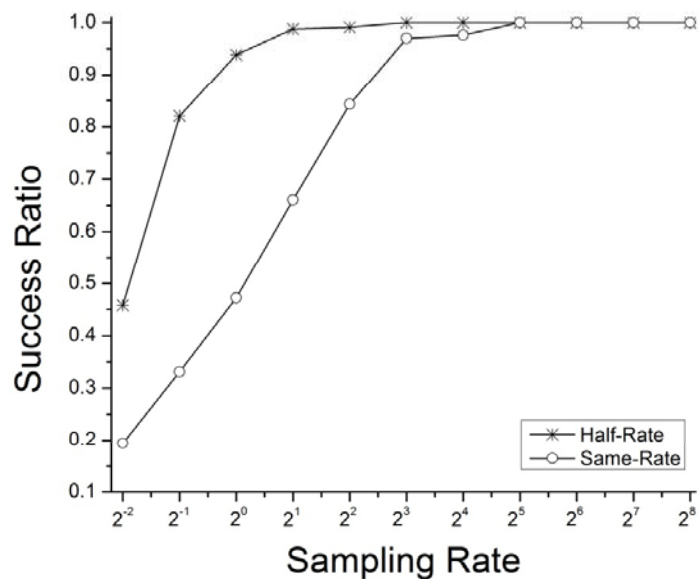
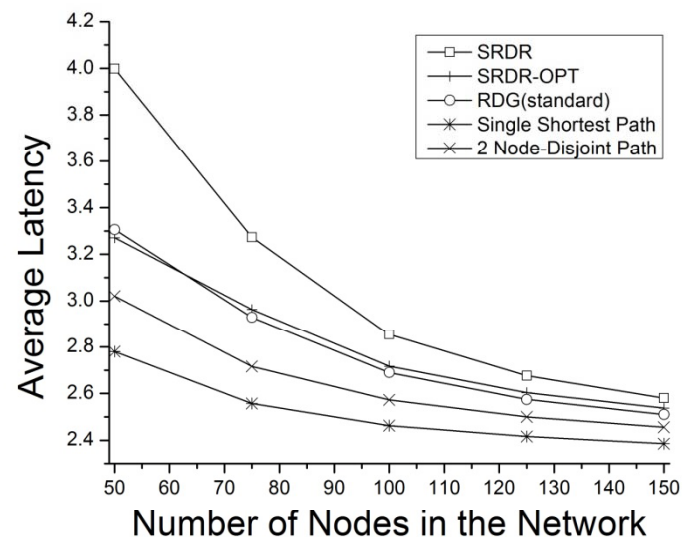
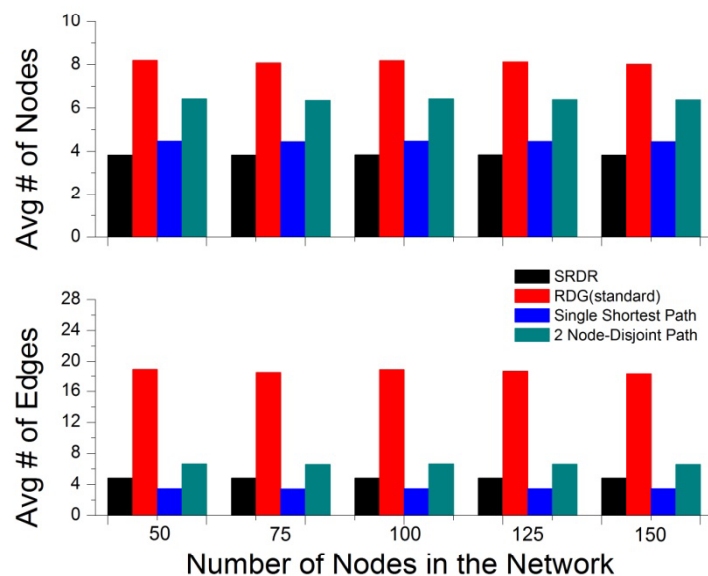
Communication Link Scheduling

- The general scheduling problem is known to be NP-hardness [Saifullah et al. 2010]
- Key Principles:
 - Spread out the channel usage in the network
 - Apply Fastest Sample Rate First policy (FSRF)
 - Allocate the links iteratively from Src to Dest
 - Split traffic (bandwidth) among all successors

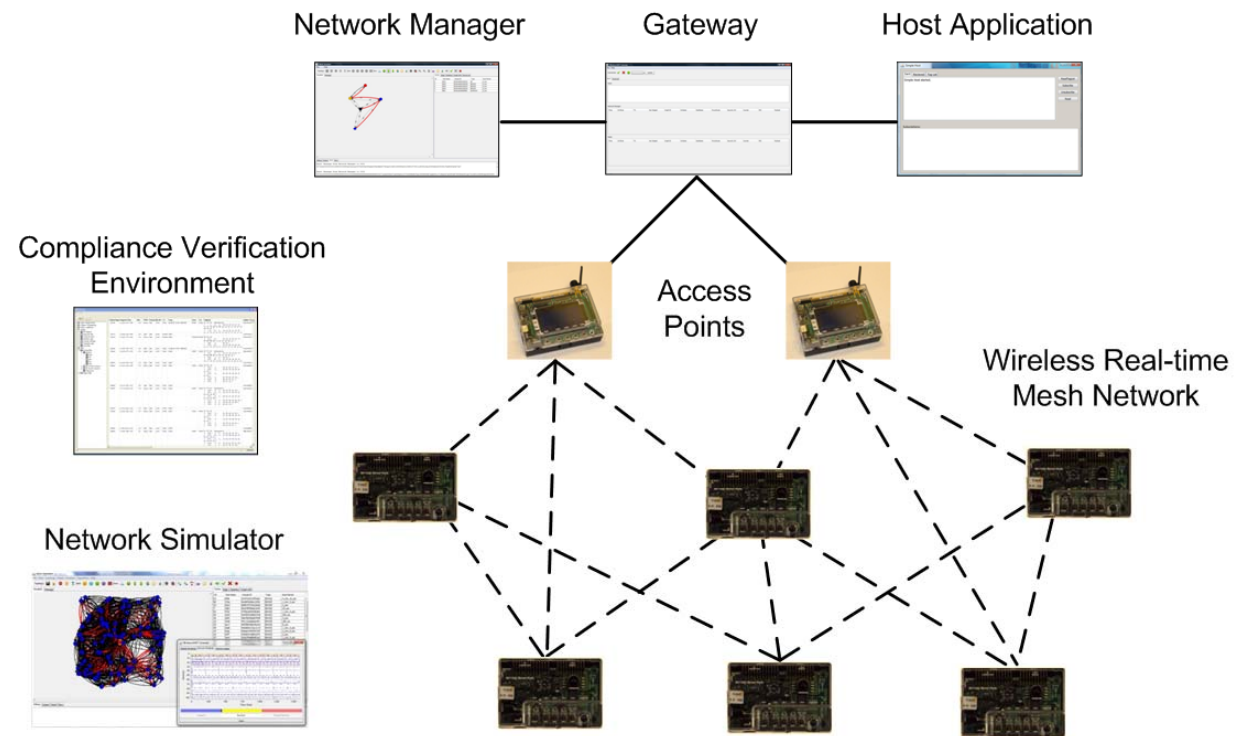
Example Schedule Construction Using the Key Principles



Performance Evaluation

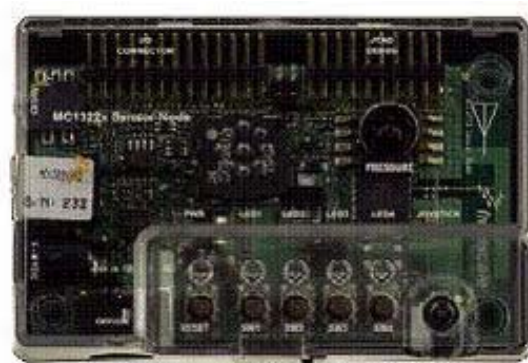
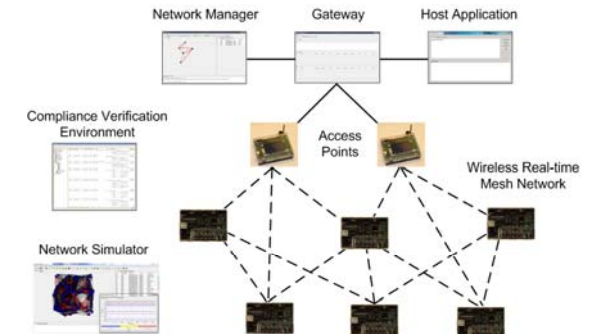


System Design, Implementation and Deployment



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Hardware Platforms



Freescale 1322x SRB
Evaluation Board



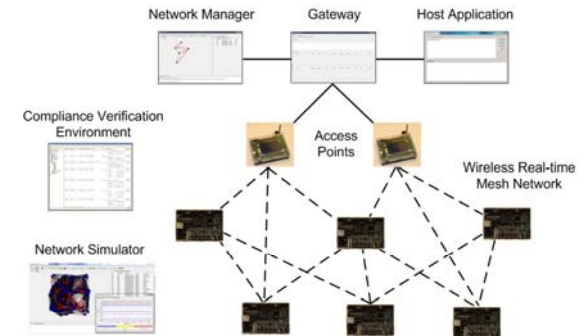
Custom Designed Mother
Board with Sensor Support



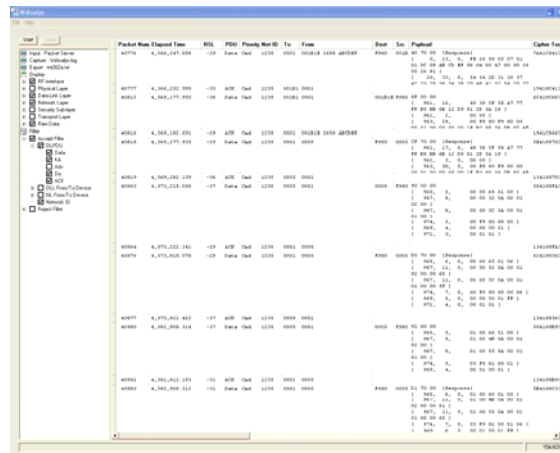
Custom Designed Board with
EnergyMicro EFM32 MCU

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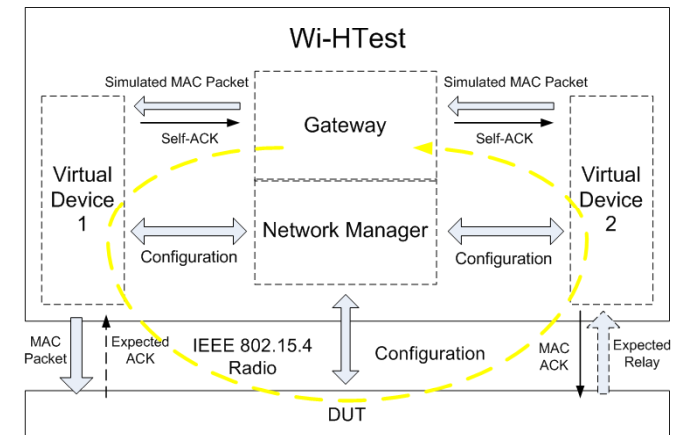
Compliance Testing Suite



Testing Engine



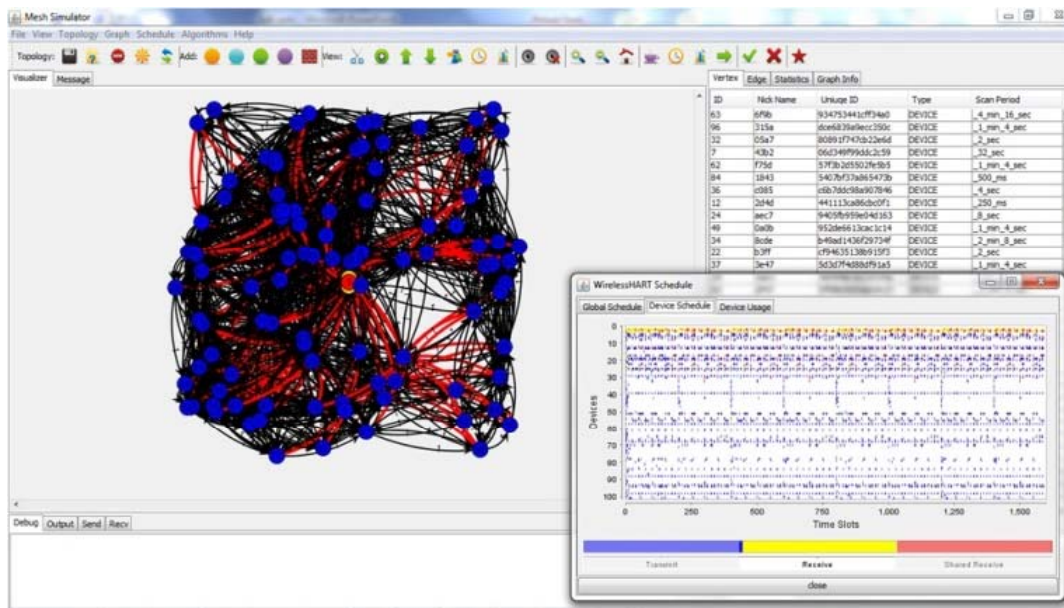
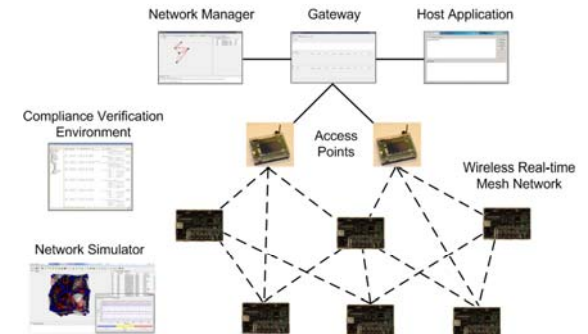
16-Channel Sniffer



Virtual Network Approach

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Network Manager and Simulator

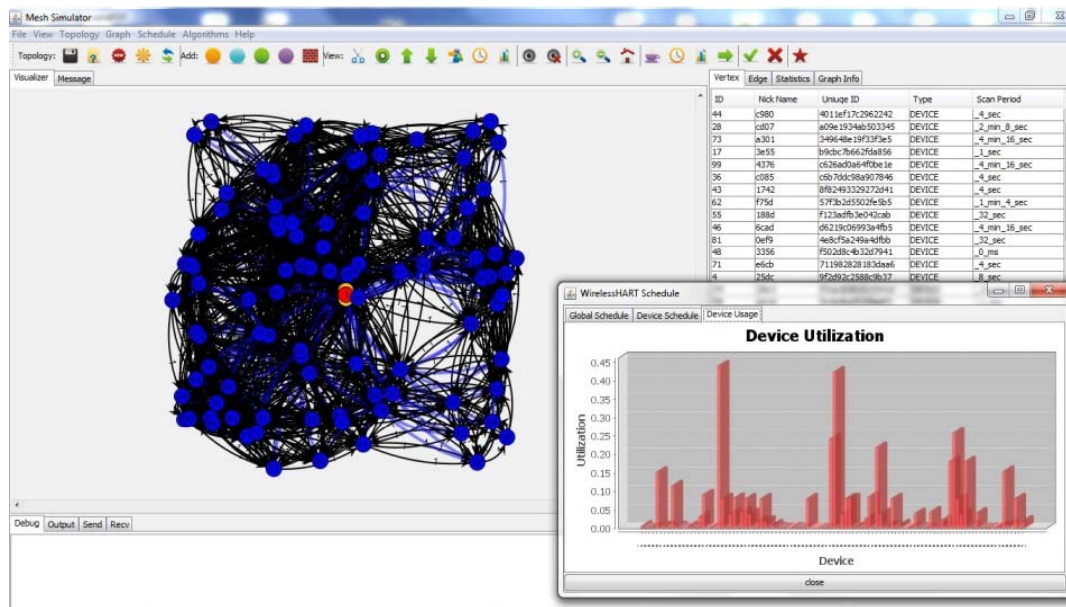
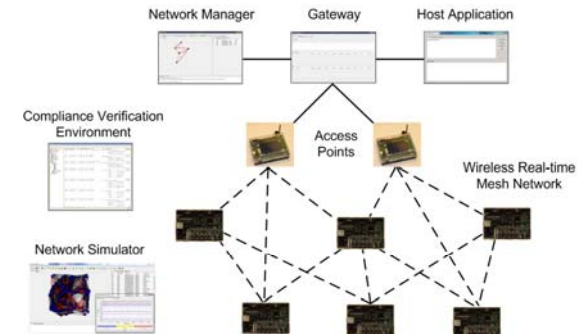


Simulating a real-time wireless network with 100 devices:

- reliable broadcast graph
- device communication schedule

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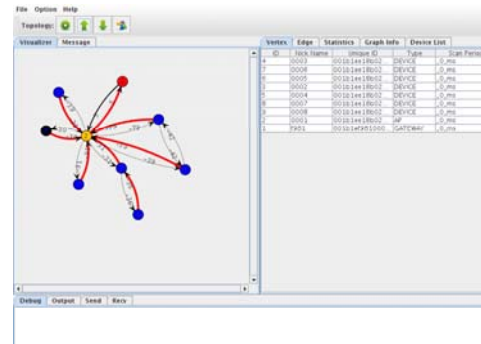
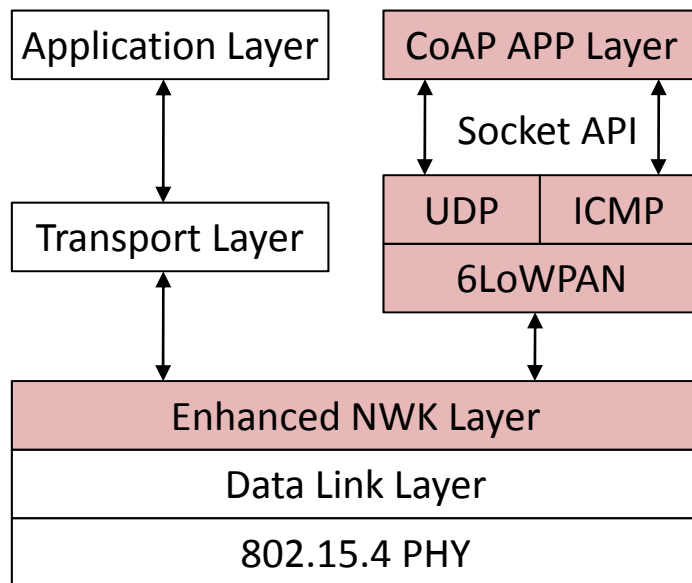
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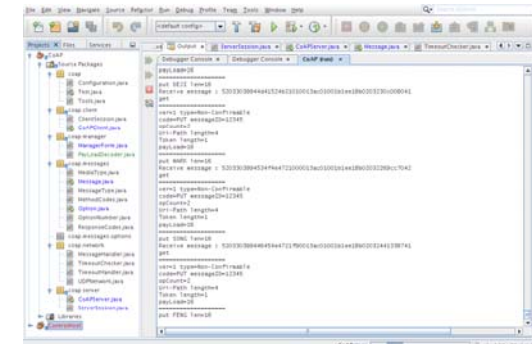
Simulating a real-time wireless network with 100 devices:

- reliable uplink graph
- device bandwidth utilization

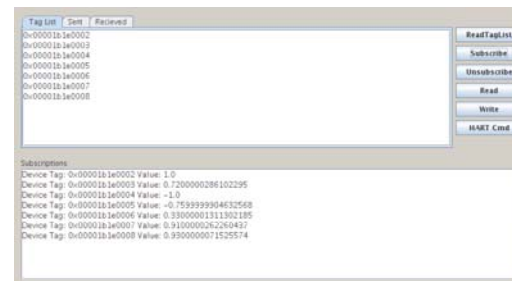
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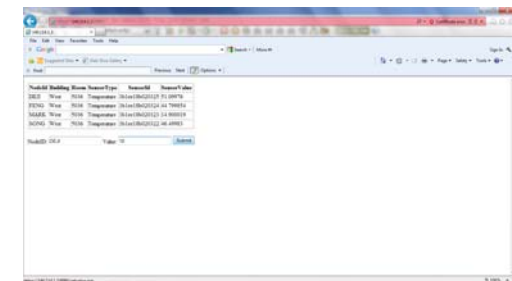
Network Topology



CoAP-HTTP Server



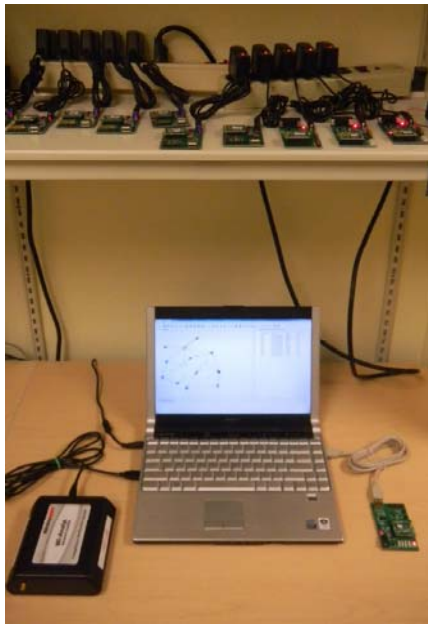
Intra-system Service



Web Service



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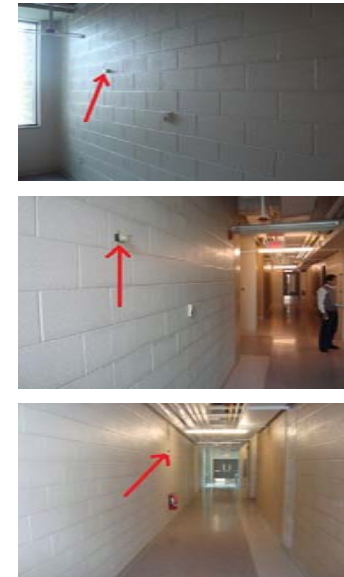
10 Device Testbed



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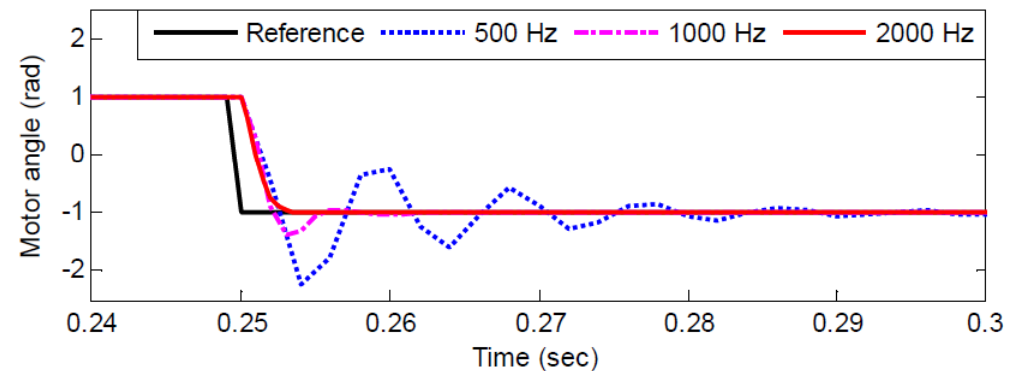
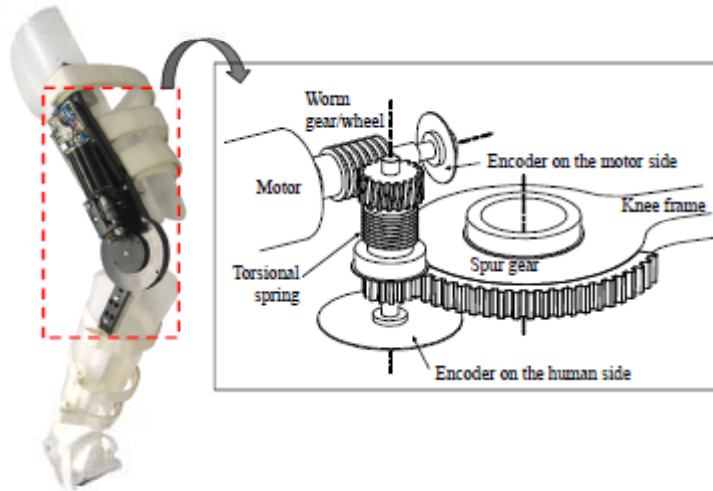


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Higher Sampling Rate Required in Network-based Rehabilitation System

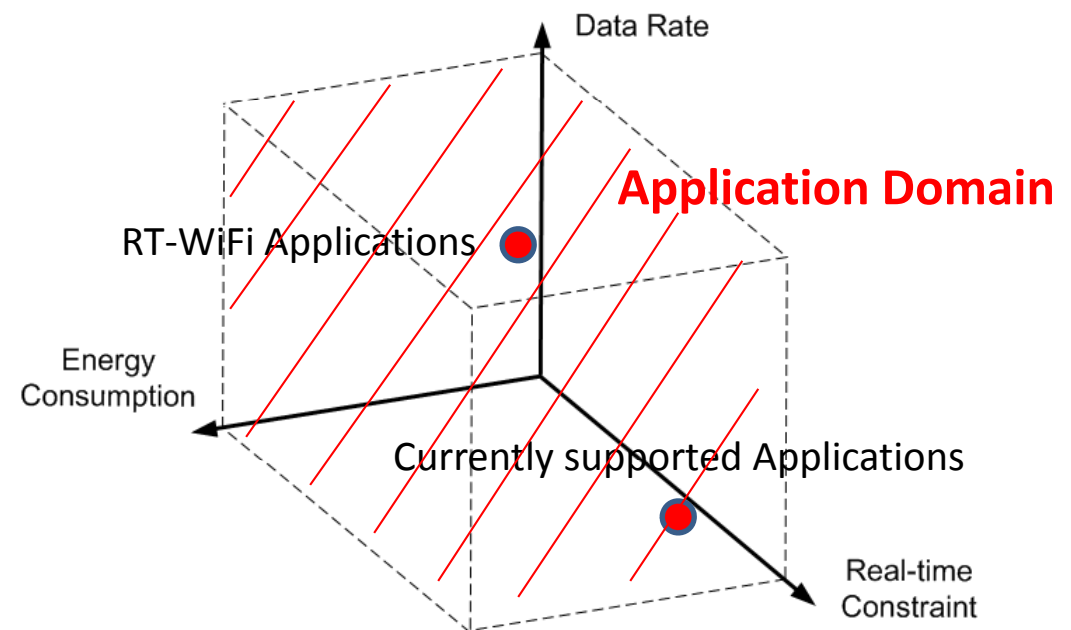
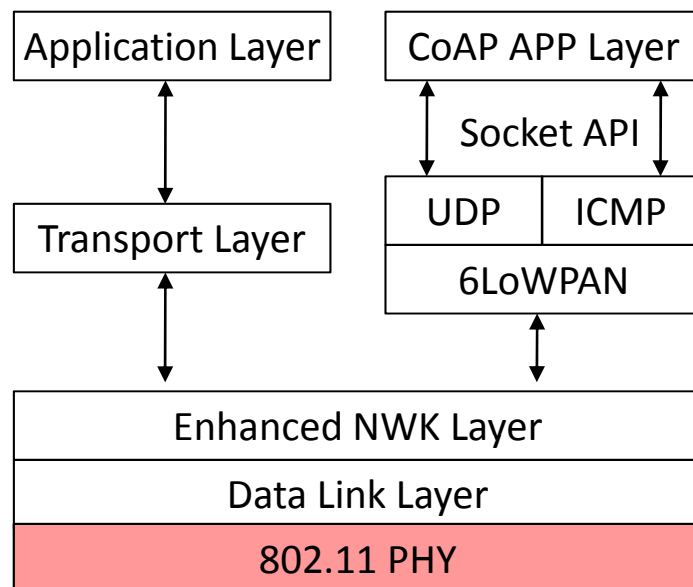


- Challenges

- Mechanic modules need high frequency and low jitter control
- A platform for a wide range of wireless control applications: a good balance among sampling rate, energy consumption and real-time performance

High-speed Real-time Wireless Control

- Real-time Wi-Fi to support high speed control
 - Replacing 802.15.4 PHY with 802.11 PHY
 - Network-wide synchronization and power saving



Real-time Data Management in CPS

Maintaining Data Quality in CPS is Key



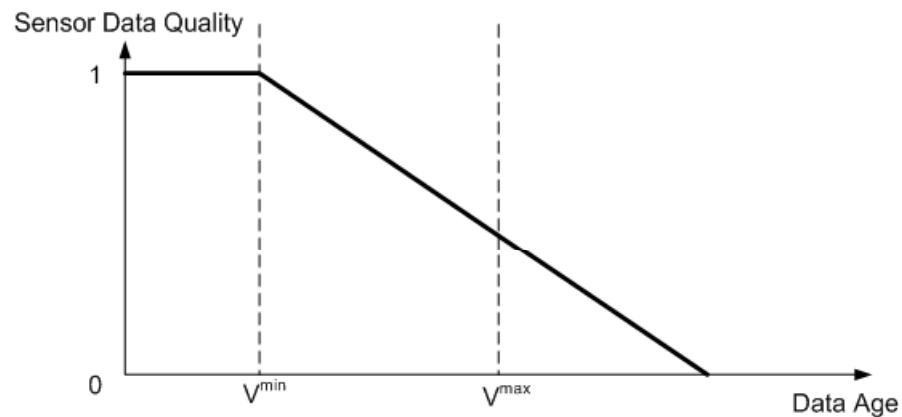
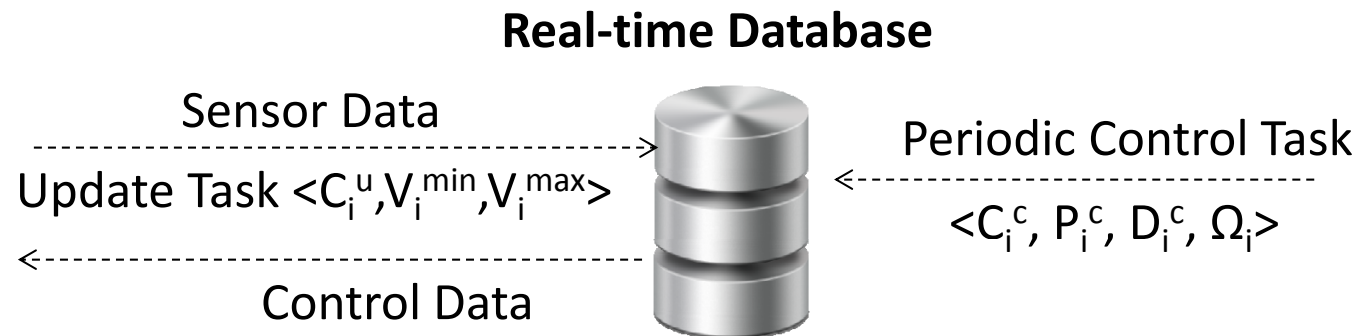
- CPS are in essential sensing and control systems
- Data quality is the key to the success of sensing and control applications
- Sensor data have time semantics, and their quality degrade with time

Maintaining Data Quality in CPS is Key



- Need to enable tradeoff between data quality and sampling rate
 - High sampling rate -> high network traffic & CPU workload
 - More power consumption & shorter network lifetime
 - Reduce sampling rate but maintain data and control quality
- Will exploit concept of **validity interval** to make the tradeoff

Task Model



- A task is an abstraction of resource consumer; a task can be a computing task (consuming CPU cycles) or a communication task (consuming network bandwidth)
- Validity intervals quantify the quality of sensor data
- Control data quality is a function of sensor data quality

Task Model

- Sensor update task set $T^u = \{\tau_i^u\}_{i=1}^n$
 - τ_i^u is a 4-tuple: $\tau_i^u = (C_i^u, V_i^{\min}, V_i^{\max}, Q_i^u(t))$.
 - $Q_i^u(t)$ is application-dependent.
- Control task set $T^c = \{\tau_i^c\}_{i=1}^m$
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 - Ω_i is the update tasks that τ_i^c will access and $Q_i^c(t)$ is application-dependent

Symbol	Meaning
$\tau_i^{u(c)}$	Update/Control Task i
$C_i^{u(c)}$	WCET for $\tau_i^{u(c)}$
$Q_i^{u(c)}(t)$	Quality function for $\tau_i^{u(c)}$
$V_i^{\min (max)}$	Min(max) validity interval
$D_i^c (P_i^c)$	Deadline (Period) of τ_i^c

Goal: Maintain the control data quality above threshold while Minimizing update workload

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- Simplifying Assumptions
 - No control task in the system for now
 - $V_i^{\min} = 0$ and $V_i = V_i^{\max}$

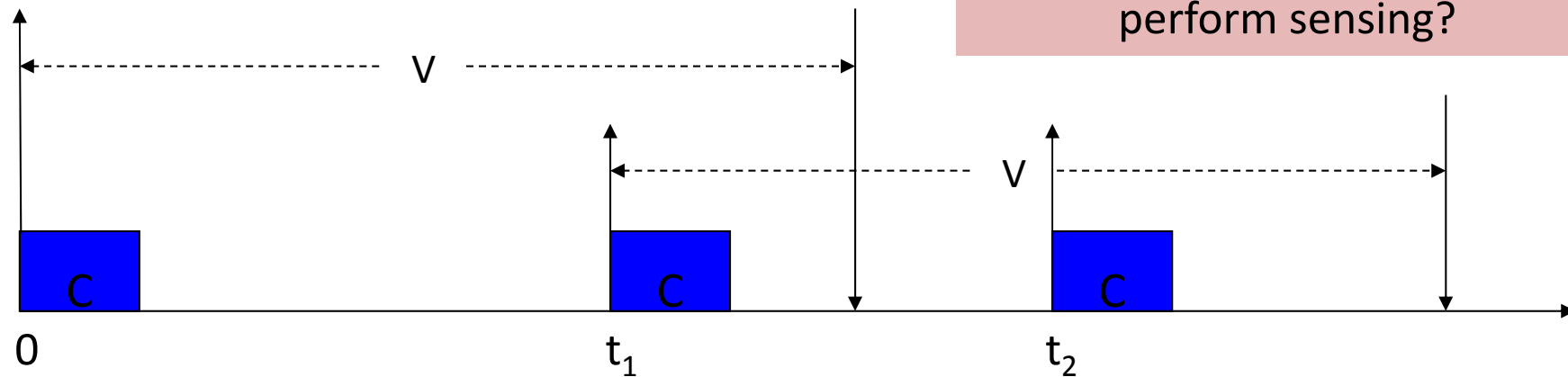
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$Q_i^{u(c)}(t)$	Quality function for $\tau_i^{u(c)}$
$V_i^{\min (max)}$	Min(max) validity interval
$D_i^c (P_i^c)$	Deadline (Period) of τ_i^c

Validity Constraint: An update job must finish before its previous job's validity interval expires

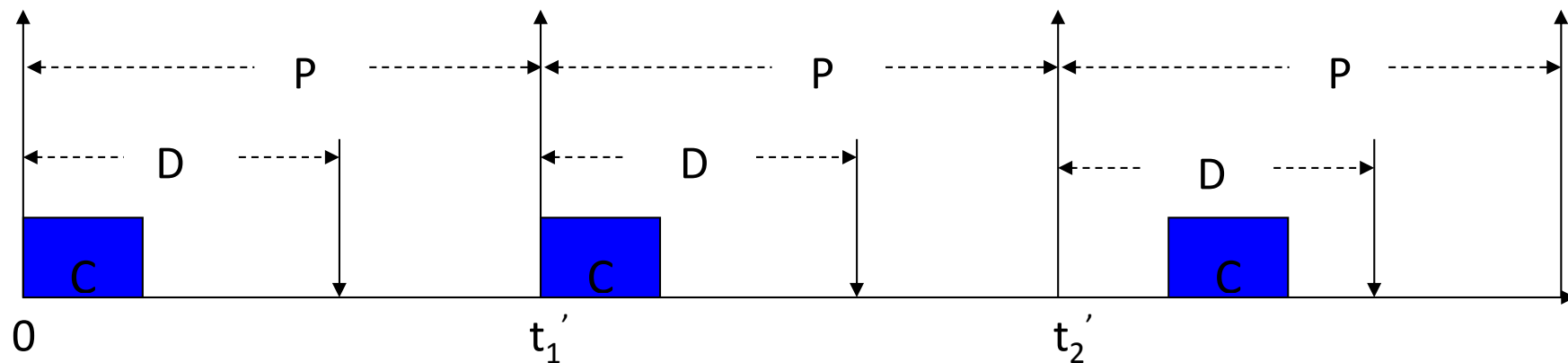
Goal: Guaranteeing validity constraint while minimizing the update workload.

From **Validity Interval Model** to **Periodic Task Model**

Validity Interval Task Model



Periodic Task Model

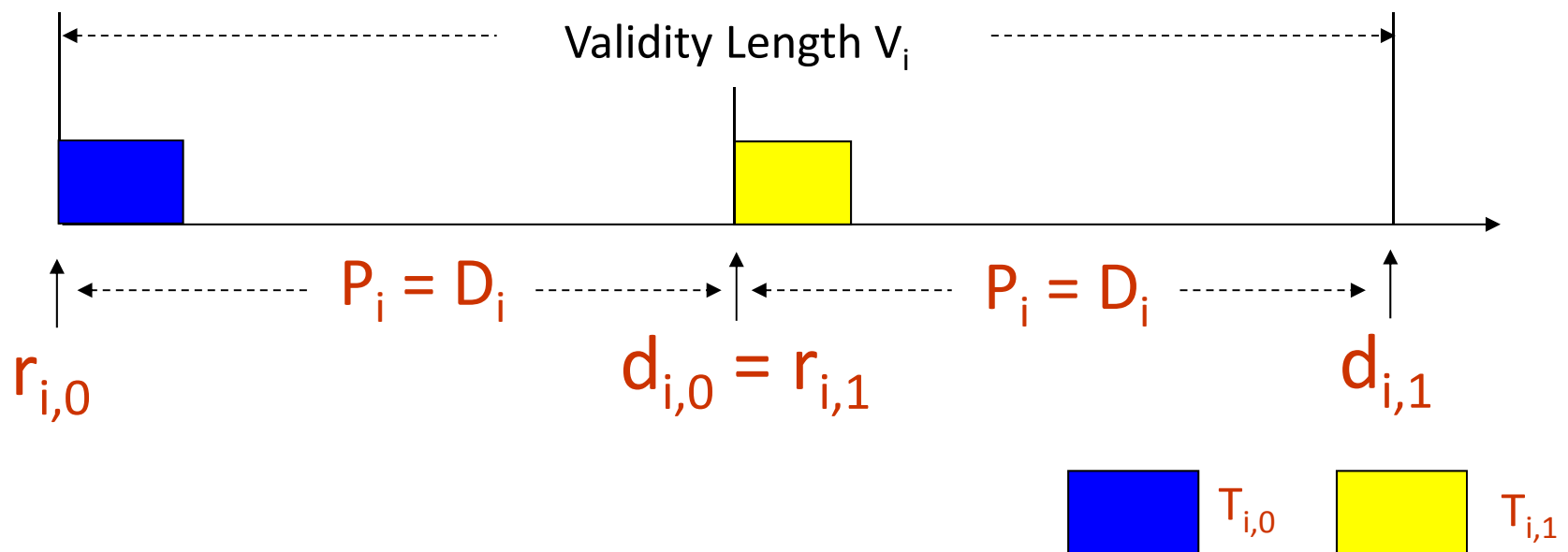


Maintaining Update Data Freshness

- Baseline Scheduling Techniques

- HH (Half-Half) Algorithm

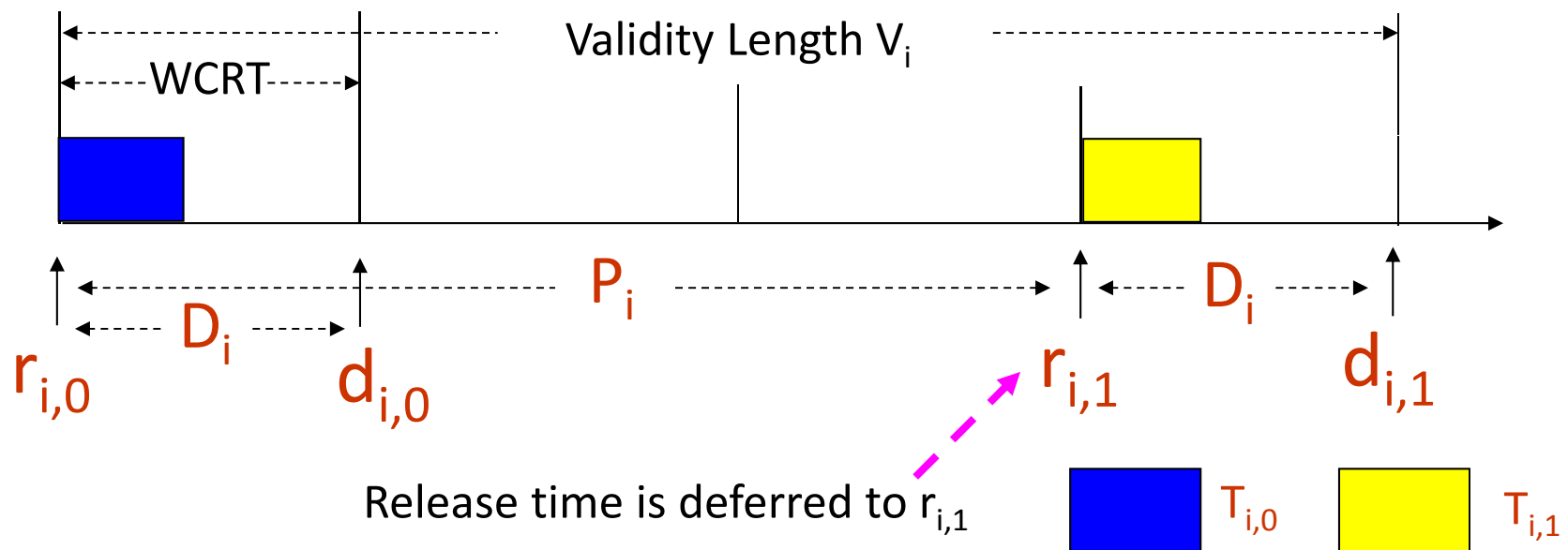
- Period (P_i) and relative deadline (D_i) of an update task i are each set to be one-half of the data validity length (V_i).



Maintaining Update Data Freshness

- Baseline Scheduling Techniques

- ML (More-Less) Algorithm
 - Relative deadline (D_i) of an update task i is set to be its worst-case response time (WCRT). Period $P_i = V_i - D_i$



Deferrable Scheduling with Fixed Priority (DS-FP)

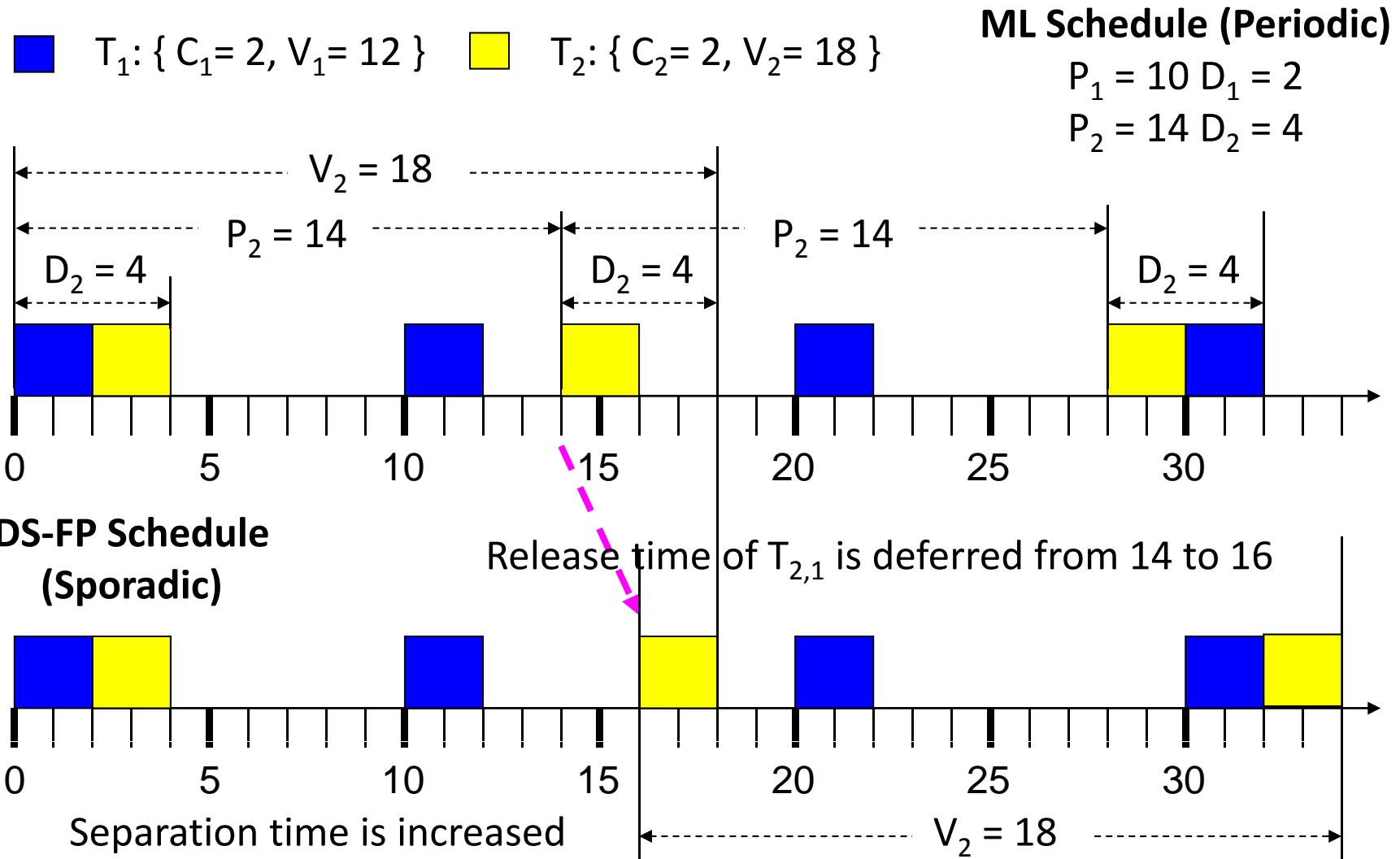
- From Periodic to Sporadic Task Model

Principles

- Adopts the sporadic task model.
- Defers the sampling time of the update job as late as possible to increase the distance of two consecutive jobs.

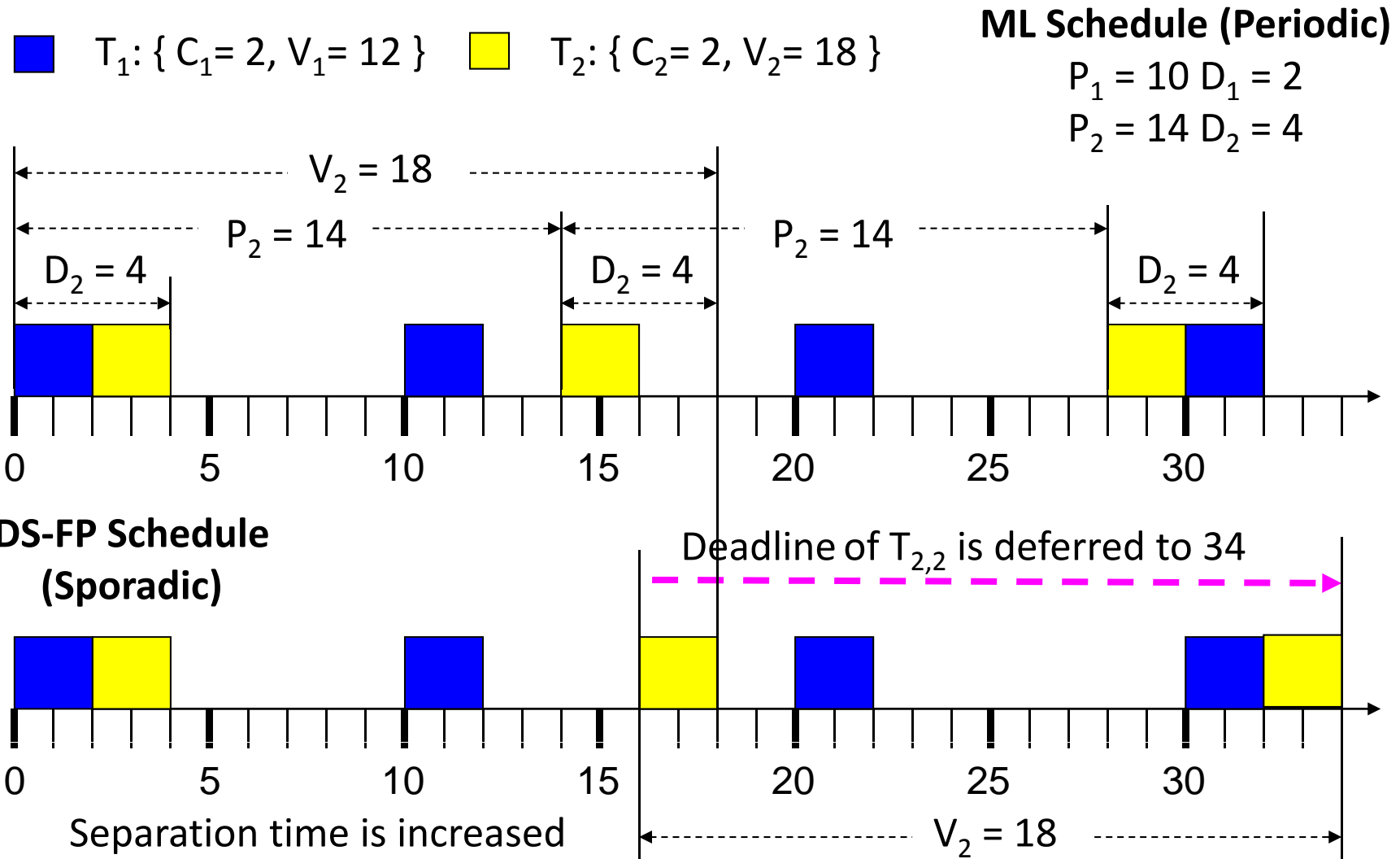
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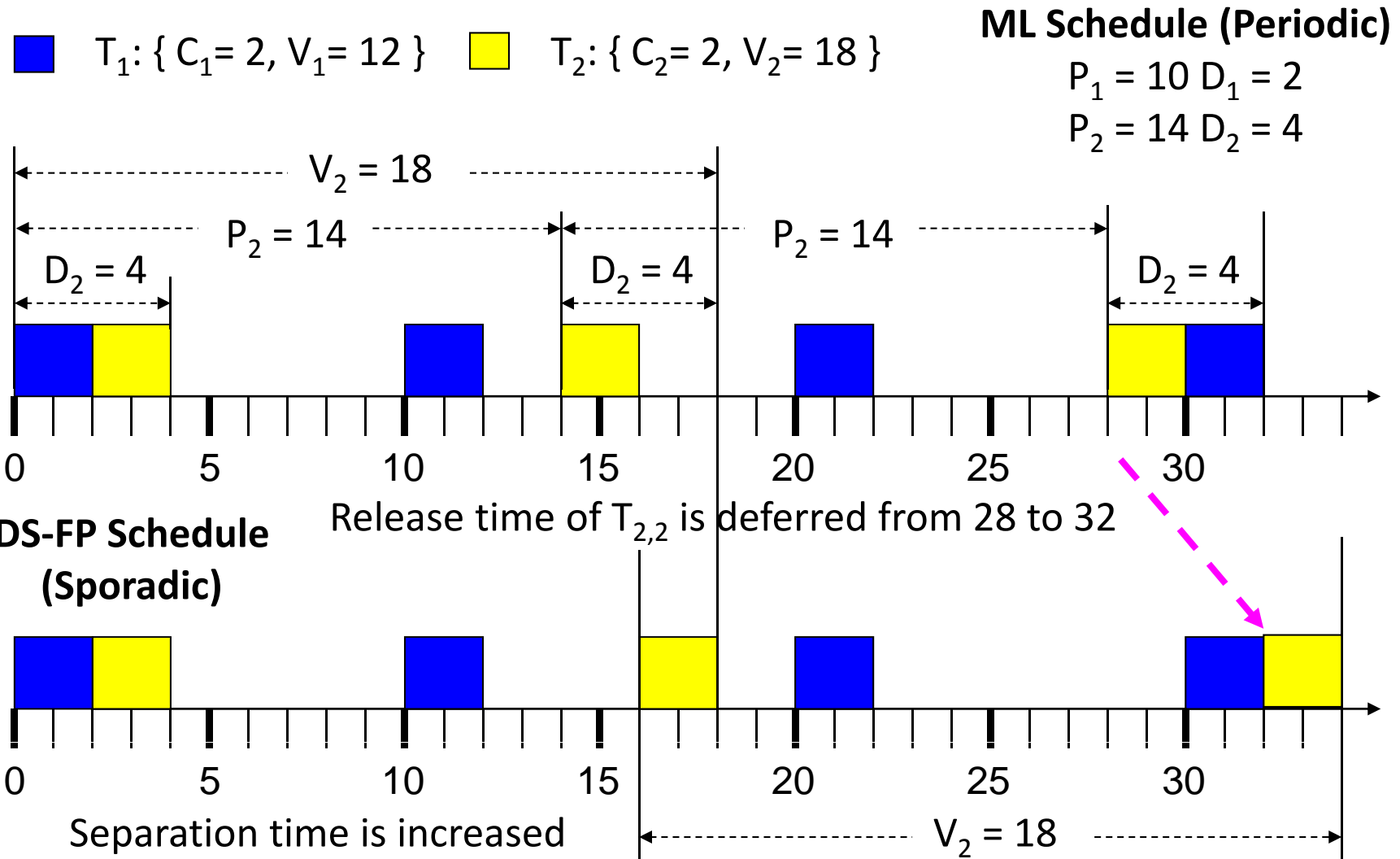
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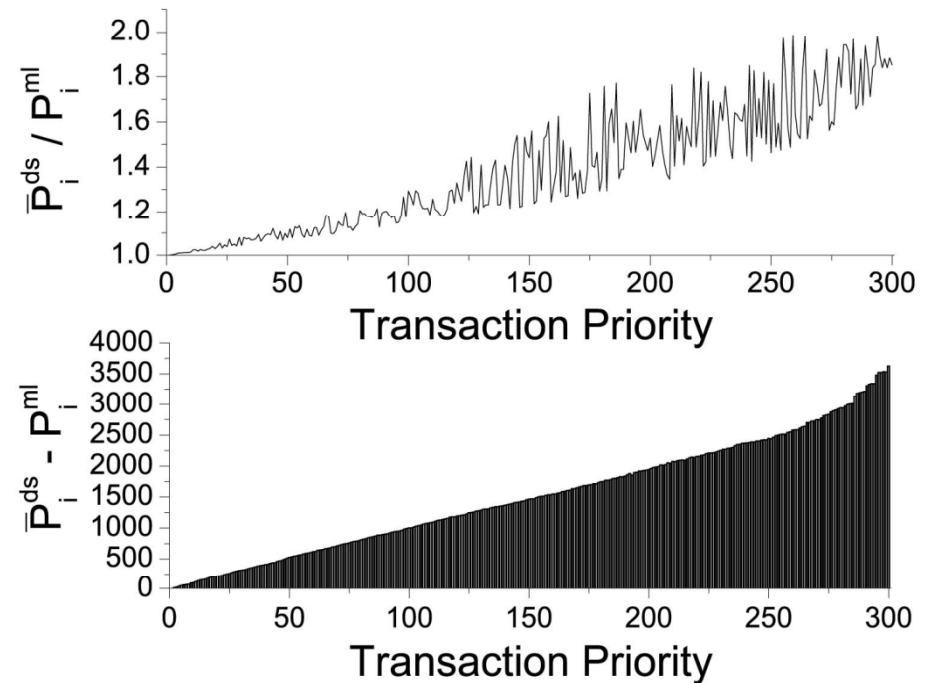
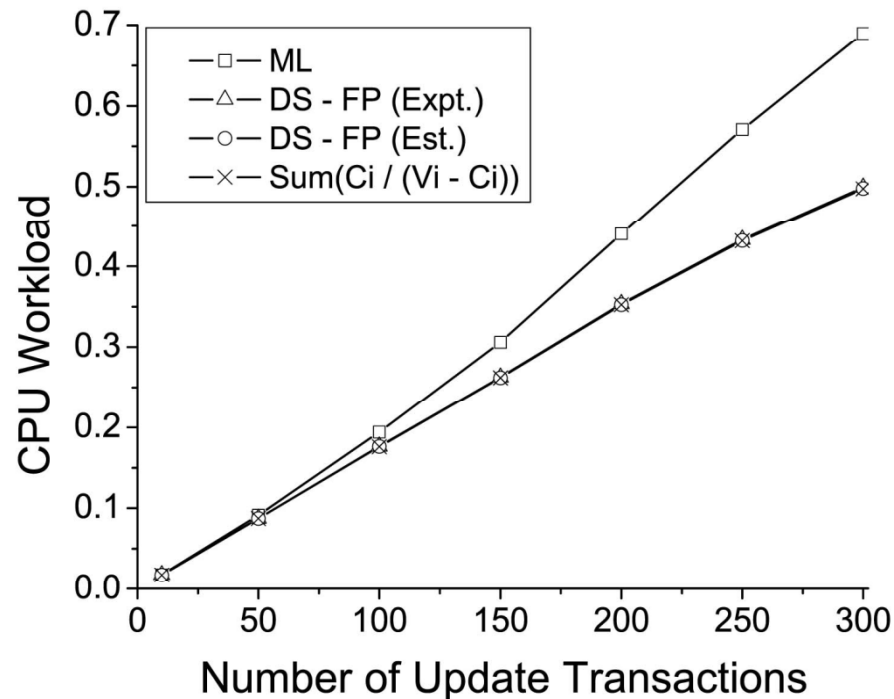


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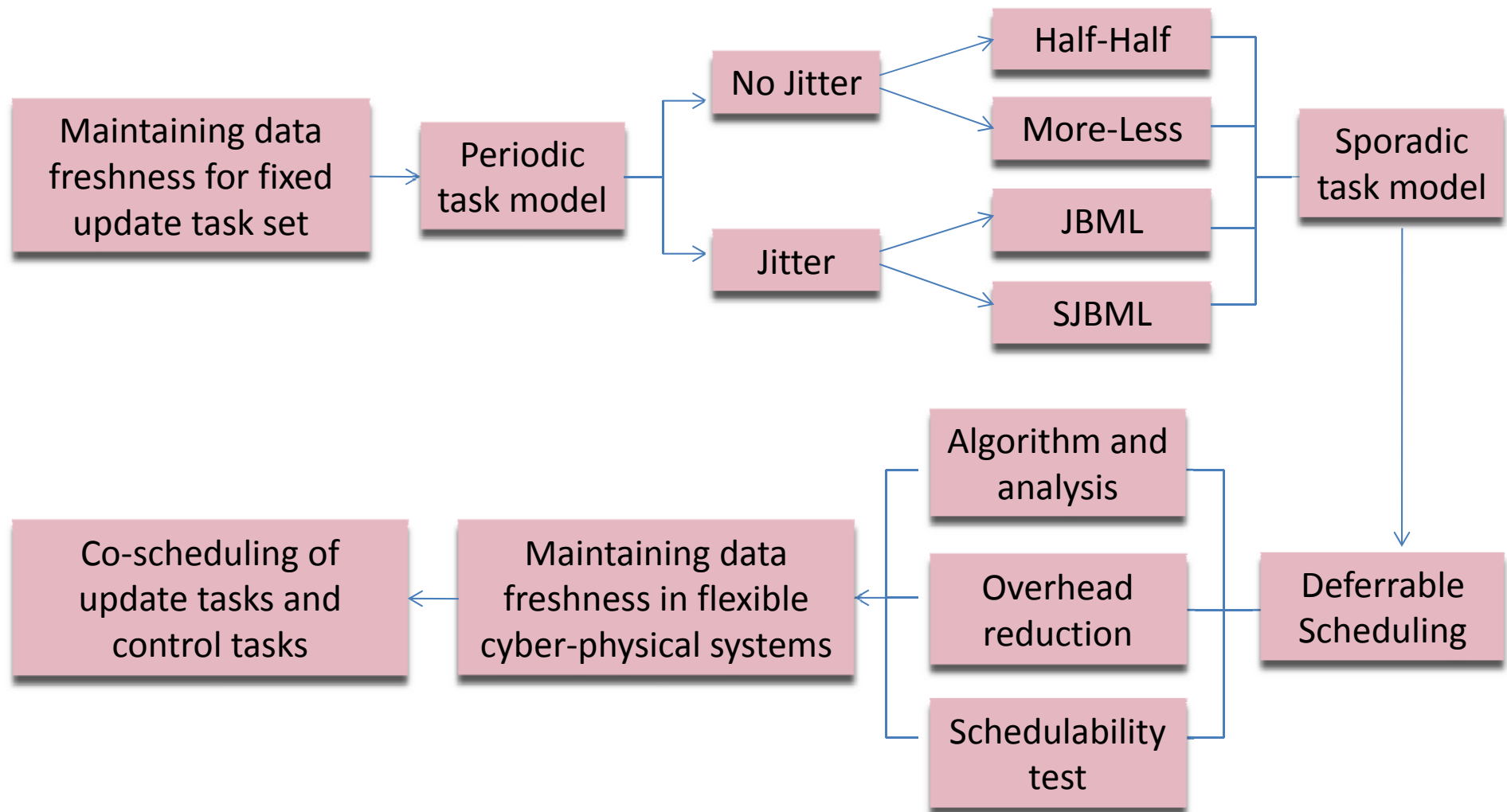
DS-FP significantly reduces the CPU workload incurred by update trans.

Lower priority tasks have larger relative avg. sampling periods

Deferrable Scheduling with Fixed priority (DS-FP)

- Comparison of DS-FP and ML
 - **THEOREM**. Given a synchronous update transaction set T with known C_i and V_i , if for all i , $f_{i,0}^{ml} \leq V_i / 2$, then T is schedulable with DS-FP.
- Necessary and Sufficient Schedulability Test
 - **THEOREM**. Given an update task set T , if it can be scheduled by DS-FP in the bounded time interval $[0, V_m - C_m + \prod_{i=1}^m (V_i - C_i + 1) - 1]$, then the schedule has a repeating pattern that must occur at least once in the bounded time interval $[V_m - C_m, V_m - C_m + \prod_{i=1}^m (V_i - C_i + 1) - 1]$.
- Overhead Reduction Algorithms
 - DS with Hyperperiod by Schedule Construction (DESH-SC)
 - DS with Hyperperiod by Schedule Adjustment (DESH-SA)

CPS Real-time Data Management Research Roadmap

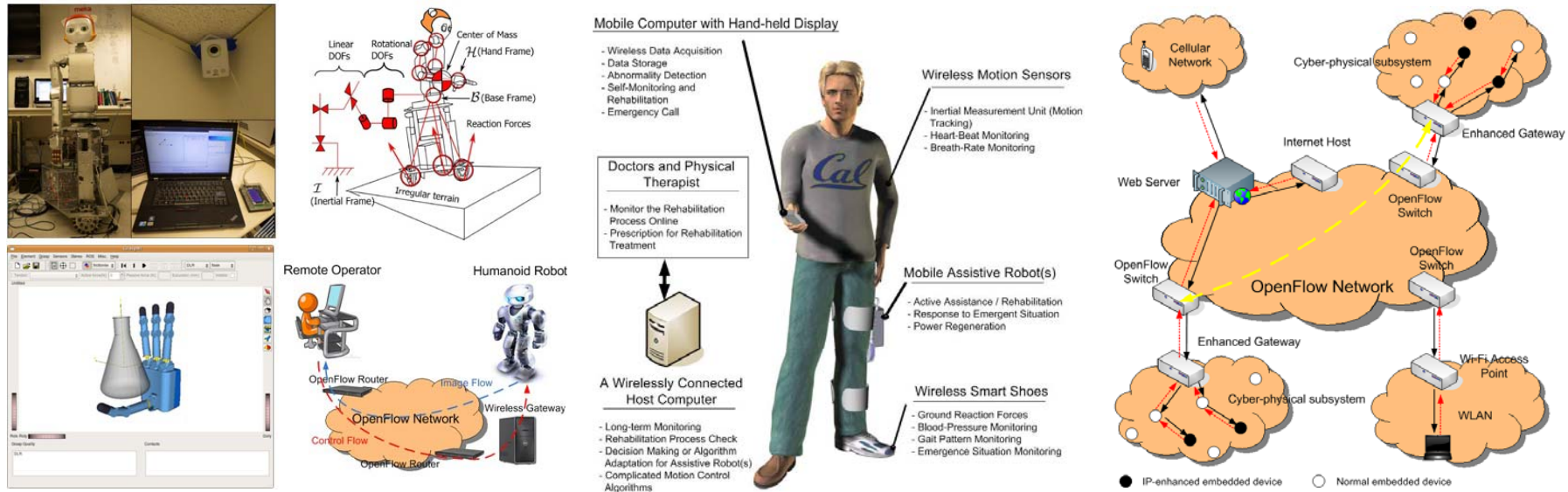


Research Summary

- Reliable and real-time wireless platform for CPS
 - Wireless real-time communication protocol
 - Network management techniques
 - System design and implementation
- Theoretical framework for real-time data management in CPS
 - Models and assumptions
 - Algorithms and schedulability analysis

Ongoing and Future Work

- I believe that the next Internet resolution will be about the delivery of physical services in addition to information services over long distances.
- The economic and social impact will be enormous.



Thanks and Questions?