

Cyber-Physical System Ensembles: Unlocking opportunities when machines collaborate

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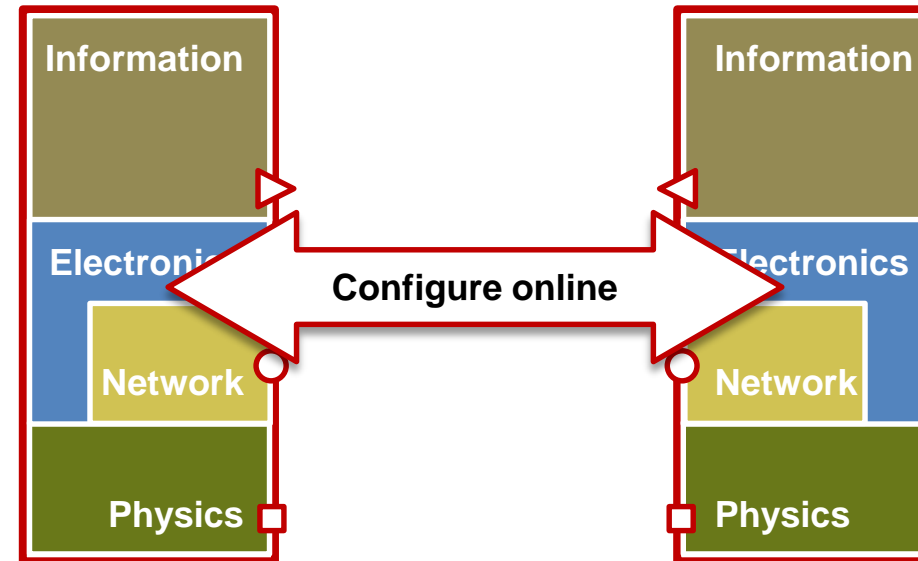
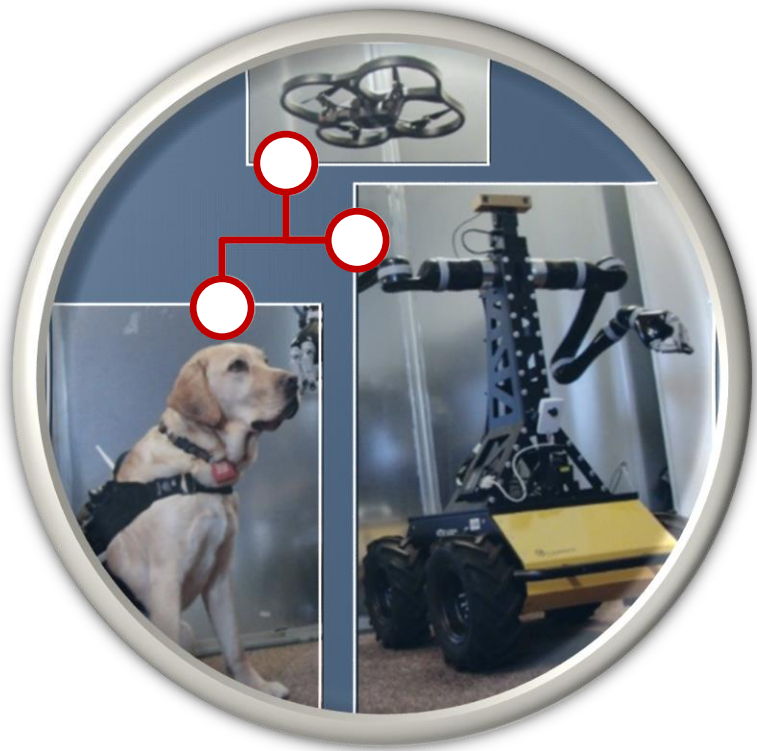
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Virtual system integration



Proper models in design

Generation of models with necessary detail based on property selection

Linearization, implementation model generation, etc.

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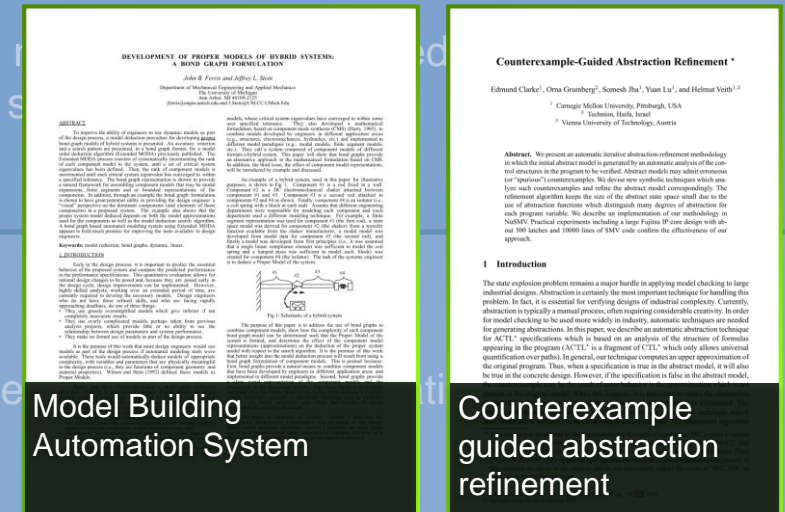
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System-level design and analysis by using models

Connecting, combining, and integrating models represented in different formalisms

Efficient simulation models to be used across dynamic and execution semantics

Link for cosimulation, simulation API, code generation

Solver configurations for continuous time, discrete time, discrete event

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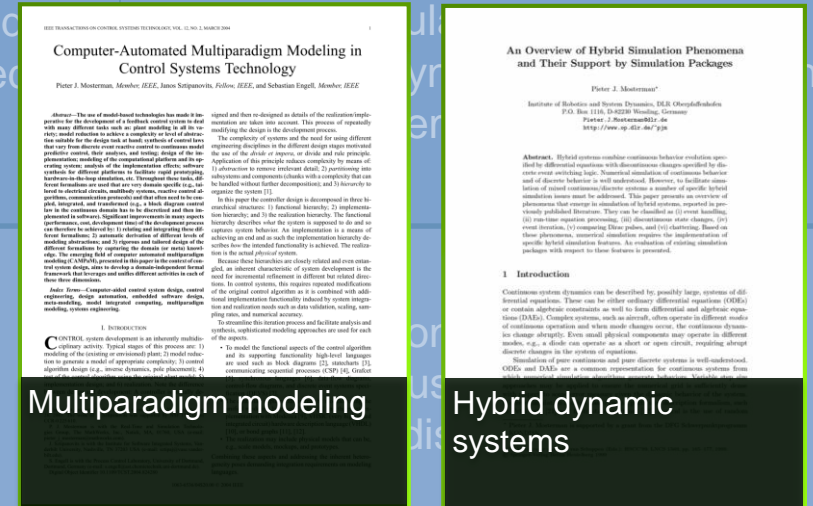
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Runtime system adaptation



Reasoning and planning adaptation of an ensemble of systems ►

Introspection of the system state, configuration, and available services

Handling of ensemble (in)consistency with sufficient runtime fidelity

Online model calibration

Runtime variants, middleware service description specification (.srv)

Traceability (direct and across transformations)

Runtime curve fitting and design optimization

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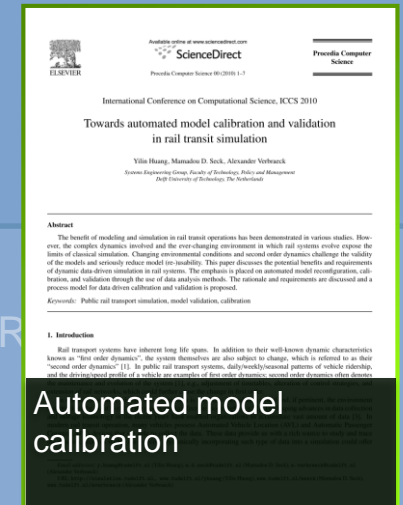
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Handling of ensemble (in)consistency sufficient

Traceability of transitions



Models @ runtime



Automated model calibration

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Testing with functionality on deployed systems

Environment models to enable surrogate interactions

Regression modeling, model selection (artificial neural network, support vector machine, rational model)

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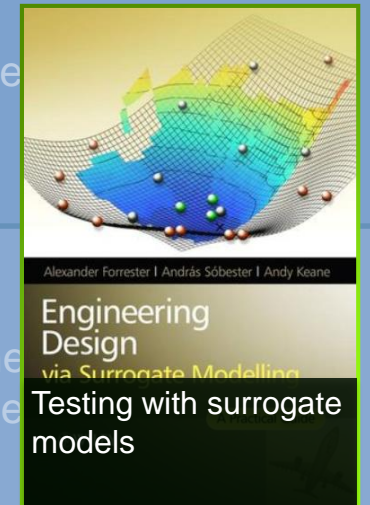
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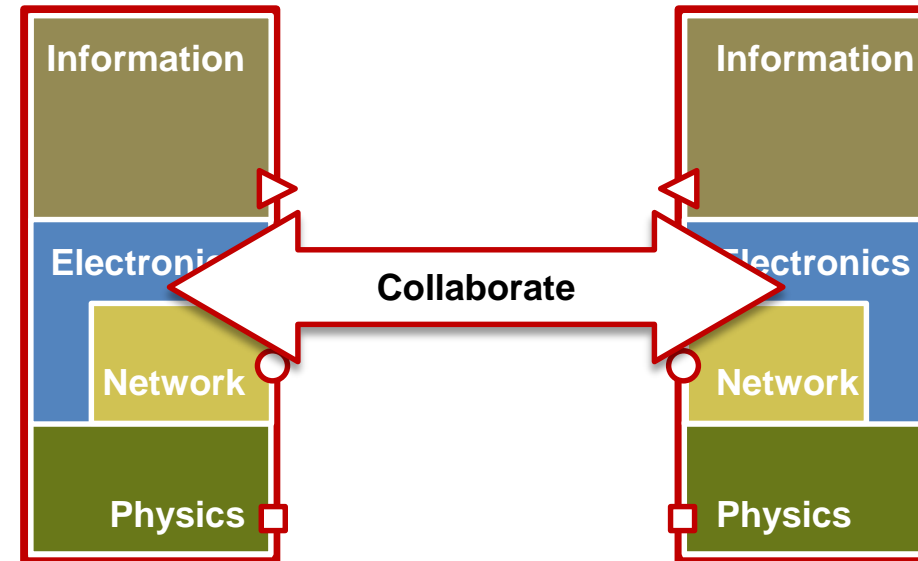
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Emerging behavior design



Reasoning and planning adaptation of an ensemble of systems

Analysis methods across loosely coupled architectures

Planning and synthesis of distributed control functionality on concurrent resources

Accessible formal methods that apply to collaborative problems

Event-driven control, discrete event modeling and analysis, uncertainty modeling

Concurrency and platform modeling, functionality decomposition, service composition

Concurrency semantics, property proving with performance models

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Towards Service-Oriented Networked Embedded Computing

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Service oriented sensor programming

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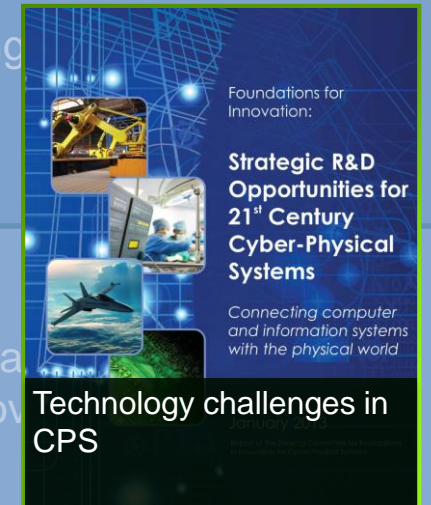
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Extracting and deriving specific value from general information

Information represented as high-level models with well-defined metamodels and ontologies

Version based model import/export, metamodel generation, model concepts sharing and comparing

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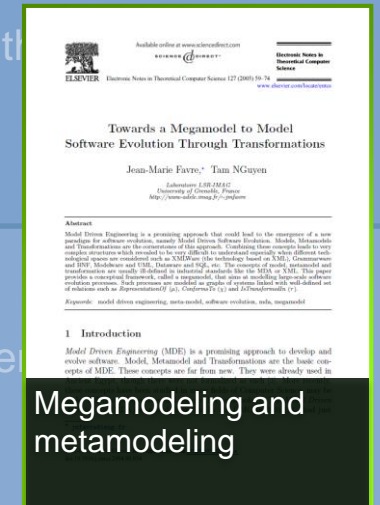
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Functionality sharing



Multi-use functionality post-deployment

Generation of models for a task by property identification and model behavior selection

Performance characterization via performance models and measures

Online calibration based on objective and performance criteria

Property based model slicing, behavioral analysis, functionality mining

Critical path analysis, code performance report and advisor

Adaptive filtering, distortion modeling, groundtruthing (baselining)

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Requirements mining

Performance

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- **Support for dynamic coalitions.** In many net-centric tactical information management systems, dynamically formed coalition of nodes will need to share a common operational picture and exchange data

Recent trends in net-centric systems motivate the development of tactical information management capabilities that ensure the right information is delivered to the right

also ensure that right information is delivered to the right place at the right time to satisfy quality of service (QoS) requirements in heterogeneous environments. This article presents an architectural overview of the Object Management Group (OMG)'s Data Distribution Service (DDS), which is a middleware-based QoS-enabled data-centric middleware platform that enables applications to communicate by publishing information they have and subscribing to information they need in a timely manner.

ports (1) locative independence, via anonymous publish/subscribe protocols that enable communication between collocated or remote publishers and subscribers, (2) scalability, by supporting large numbers of topics, data readers, and data writers and platform portability and (3) interoperability, via standard interfaces and transport protocols.

Tactical information management systems increasingly run in net-centric environments characterized by thousands of platforms, sensors, decision nodes, and com-

sensors in platforms, servers, decision nodes, and computers connected together to exchange information, support sense-making, enable collaborative decision making, and effect changes in the physical environment. For example, the Global Information Grid (GIG) [3] is an arbitrary, non-centric environment being designed

collaborate effectively and deliver appropriate firepower, information, or other essential assets to warfighters in a timely, dependable, and secure manner. Achiev-

Data distrib

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Figure 3 consists of three side-by-side photographs. The leftmost photo shows a person standing in a field, with a sensor mounted on a pole. The middle photo shows a person in a field, with a sensor mounted on a pole. The rightmost photo shows a person in a field, with a sensor mounted on a pole.

In this paper, we introduce two new real-time techniques that enable camera-laser calibration online, automatically, and in arbitrary environments. The first is a probabilistic monitoring

Although the calibration objective function is not globally convex and cannot be optimised in real time, in practice it is

In several online experiments on thousands of frames in real

markerless scenes, our method automatically detects misalignments within one second of the error exceeding 25 deg or 10 mm, with an accuracy of 100%. In addition, rotational sensor drift can be tracked in real-time with a mean error of just 30 deg. Together, these techniques allow significantly greater flexibility and adaptability of robots in unknown and potentially harsh environments.

1. INTRODUCTION

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Feature interaction

Assumption formalization and dependency effect analysis

Property and assumption based model slicing, trace to source and destination, assumptions in functionality to behavior mapping

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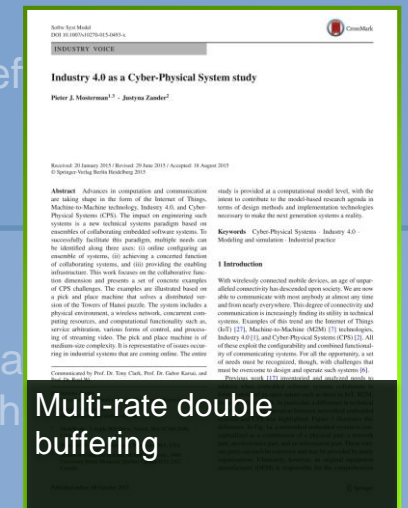
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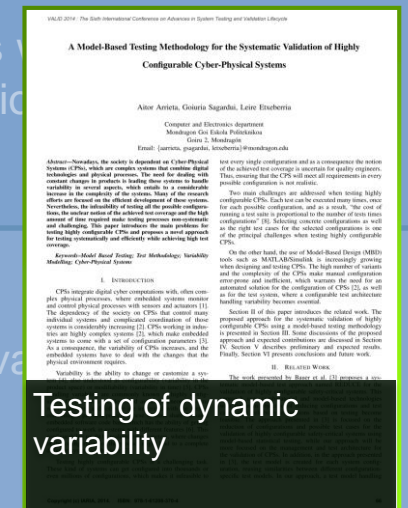
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System state restoration, stateless services, test fixture generation	Time partition testing, functionality extraction

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The Dark Side of SOA Testing: Towards Testing Contemporary SOAs Based on Criticality Metrics

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Abstract—Service-Oriented Architectures (SOAs) have widely been accepted as the standard way of building large-scale, heterogeneous enterprise IT systems. In this paper, we explore the current limitations of testing contemporary SOAs, which are typically assemblies of various components, including services, message buses, business processes, and support components. We argue that, currently, SOA testing is too much concerned with testing single services or business processes, while there is little critical literature on holistic testing of contemporary SOAs that includes all critical components and their mutual dependencies and interactions. In this paper, we detail the development of contemporary SOA testing, highlighting the current state of research in respect of their testing, and introduce the notion of SOA criticality metrics as indicators for an individual component's criticality for the SOA as a whole. We comment on initial metrics and test fixture component types and interactions, as well as discuss how these metrics can be used for testing today's SOA service-based computing, contemporary SOAs, SOA testing metrics.

1. INTRODUCTION

In recent years, the principles of Service-Oriented Architectures (SOAs) have been receiving high attention, and are nowadays widely accepted in the software industry [1], [2]. The reasons for this trend origin in the advantages that SOAs offer with respect to communication interoperability, reusability and compatibility of services, as well as loose coupling between clients and servers. The evolution of SOAs enabled a variety of novel SOA-based technologies, including self-healing SOA systems [3], service-oriented environments [4], enterprise service buses (ESBs) [5] and cloud computing [6]. However, one consequence of the fast evolution of SOAs is that contemporary SOAs in its entirety, both with regard to functional aspects, as well as with regard to non-functional system properties.

Fig. 1. High-Level Overview of SOA Testing

Service oriented architecture testing

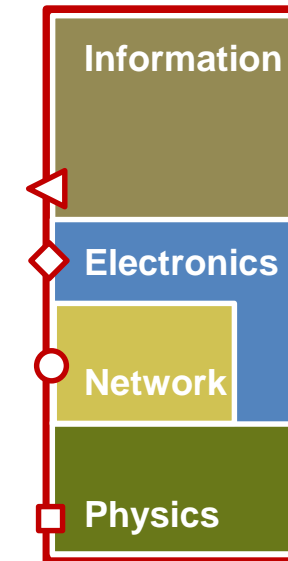
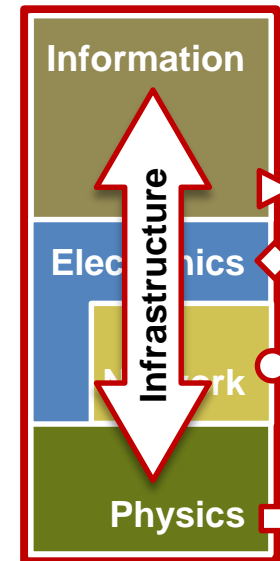
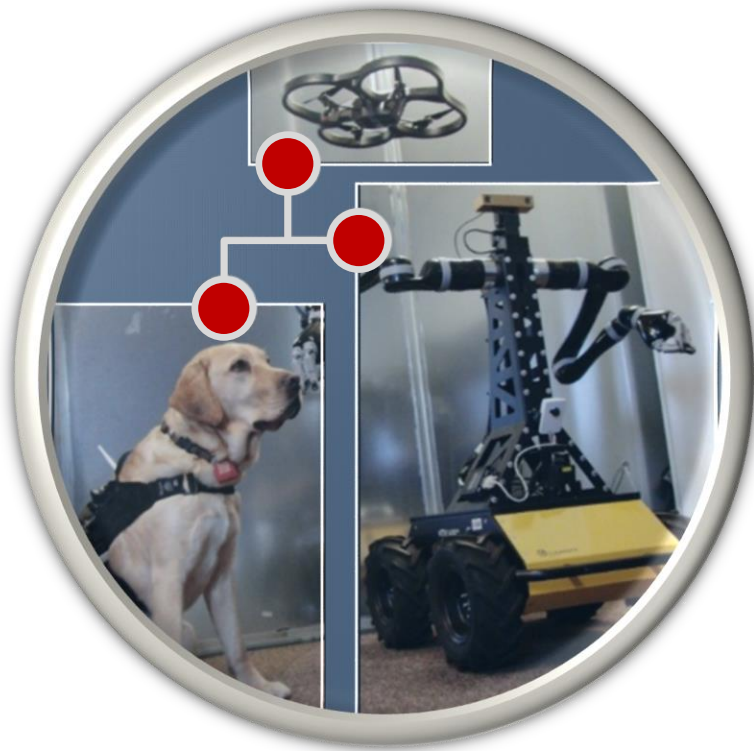
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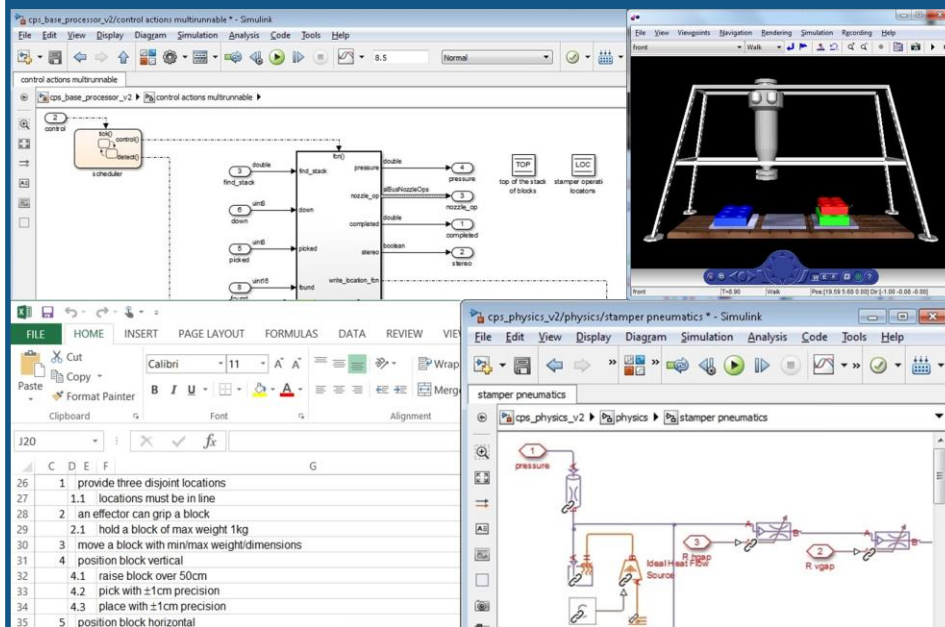
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Tool coupling among disparate organizations

Traceability across semantic and technology adaptation, and intellectual property protection

Information extraction from obfuscated intellectual property

Relations (across abstractions, formalisms, transformations) service API, change notification API

Protected models (obfuscated, encrypted), trusted compiler

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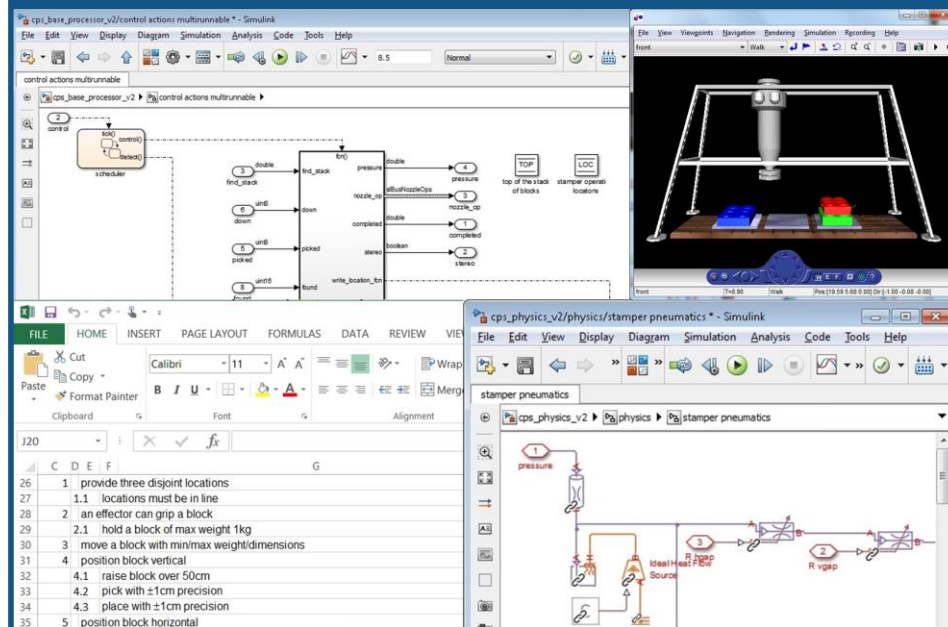
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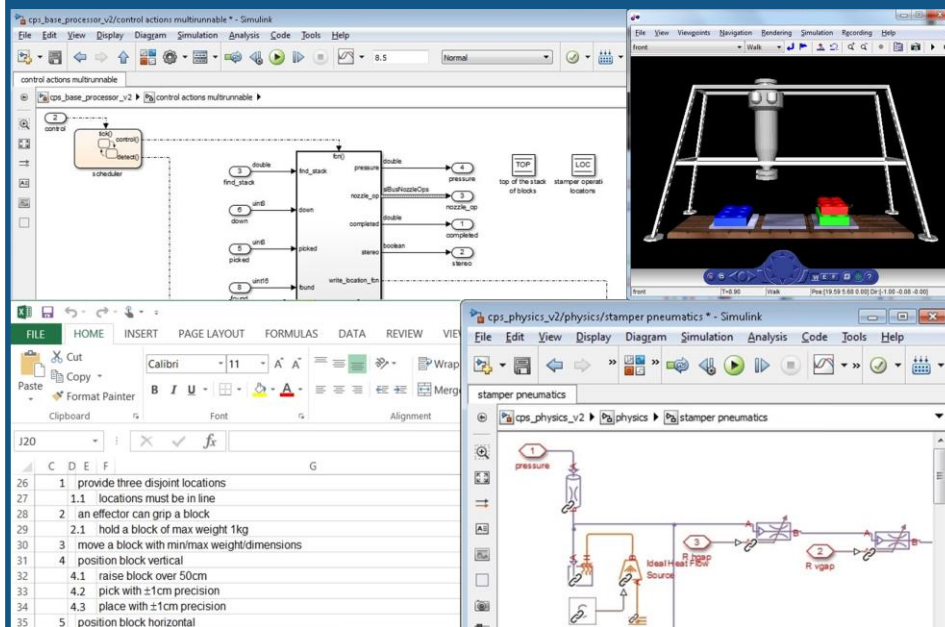
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Configurable view projections that are tool specific

Consistent semantics across tools by modeling the execution engines

Model generation, pattern (control) extraction, XML interexchange

Modeling numerical mathematics (integration, root finding) as dynamic system

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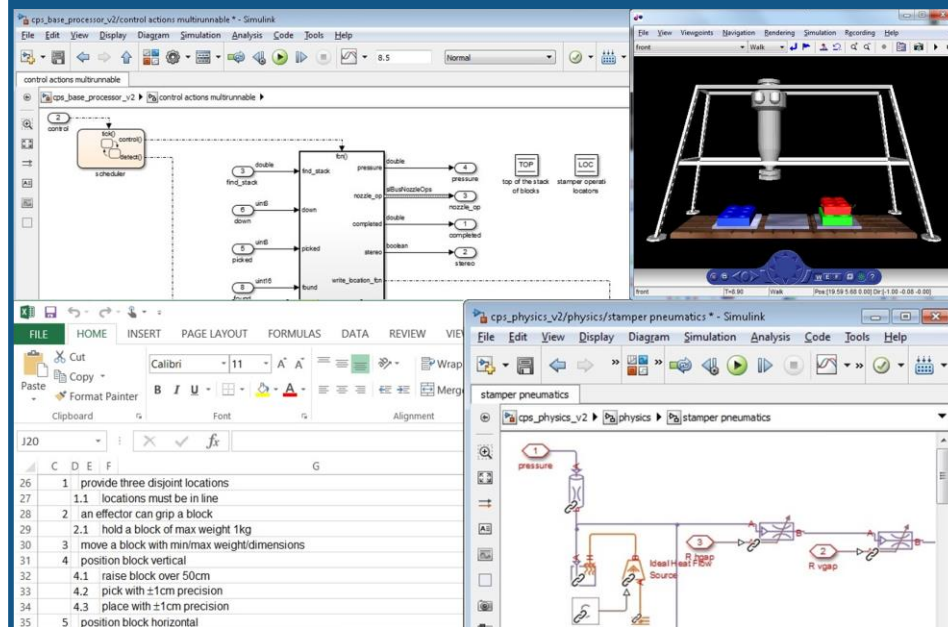
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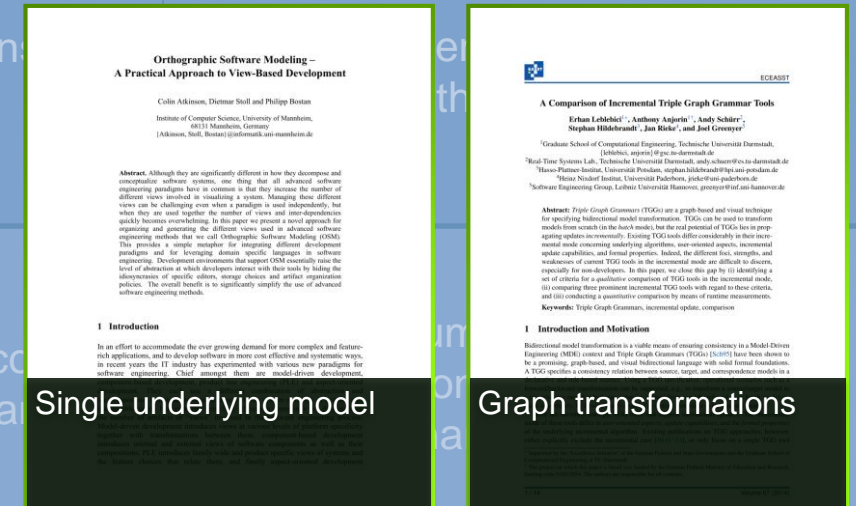
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Wireless communication



Physically aware configurable protocol stack that is IP compatible ►

Real-time services of graded quality with a low footprint and a configurable protocol stack that includes time and location information

Communication protocol (building block) modeling, performance modeling across target hardware

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Precise timing and synchronization in a distributed environment

Physical layer based timing and synchronization architectures

Scheduling of periodic and aperiodic events with reliable execution times

Physical layer (RF) modeling, antenna modeling

Scheduler configuration, dynamic scheduling with guarantees, mixed synchronous and asynchronous behavior

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Processor and network scheduling

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Hardware resource sharing



Flexible and transferable embedded functionality dispatch ▶

Standardized and configurable real-time execution stack

Virtual machine (LLVM, JVM, Docker) with real-time capabilities, serialized intermediate representation of functionality

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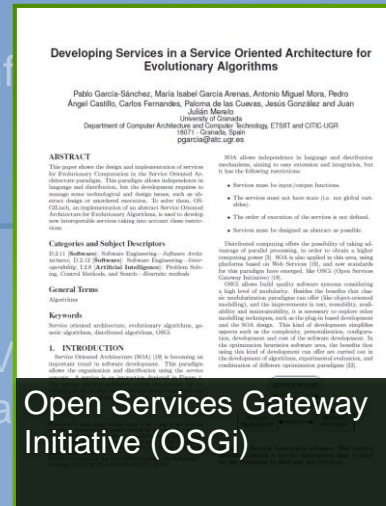
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Performance characterization from abstract functionality ▶

Platform-based modeling of execution behavior functionality

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A Next-Generation Design Framework for Platform-Based Design

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Abstract. The platform-based design methodology (PBD) is based on the usage of formal modeling techniques, thereby abstracting system levels and the separation of concerns to enable an efficient design process. The PBD framework encompasses the platform-based design methodology and has been applied to a number of case studies across multiple domains. Based on these experiences, we have identified three key factors that need to be addressed: heterogeneous IP support, reconfiguration of performance, time, behavior, and design space exploration. The new generation, Next-Gen Design Framework, integrates the advanced features. The main concepts underlying PBD are discussed in this paper and illustrated with a small example.

1. INTRODUCTION

The design of embedded systems is becoming more difficult as design complexity increases, time-to-market pressure continues, and development teams with diverse backgrounds are assembled. The platform-based design methodology (PBD) [1] is a technique to combat these challenges. This methodology advocates the separation of concerns between an architectural platform – a collection of architectural primitives configured to provide a set of services – and the functionality – a description of what the design does defined in terms of the same services. By taking these two portions of a design through a set of clearly defined abstraction/refinement steps which culminate in mapping, context-by-context design as well as automated design space exploration are enabled.

To support the design and analysis of heterogeneous systems, we have developed the Next-Gen Design Framework [2]. It is based on the ideas of PBD and orthogonalization of concerns [3] in terms of separating concerns into function-architecture, and behavior-performance. It features a flexible and formal semantics that supports a wide variety of models of computation.

2. Platform-Based Design

In this paper, we will describe the framework in more detail.

2.1. A broad survey of this related work in the context of the PBD methodology is provided in [4]. Both academic and industrial approaches are summarized with respect to functional modeling, architectural modeling, and mapping. This section highlights a few of these approaches.

2.2. SystemC-Based Solutions

SystemC [5] is a low C++ library for modeling both hardware and software at various levels of abstraction. It is currently the most popular language for system-level design for hardware design. It is based on the discrete-event block model of computation. Because of this similarity, RTL designers can migrate to SystemC with little difficulty. The main mechanization mechanism are event and global timing. For software design, C++ constructs can be used.

SystemC separates communication from computation by using port-interface calls. However, it lacks all other operations of concerns, such as behavior-performance and business architecture. As a result, it is less efficient in modeling reusable system level designs. SystemC also has standard libraries for Transaction Level Modeling and Verification.

2.3. Priority II

Priority II [6] focuses on component-based heterogeneous modeling. It uses a set of the underlying communication mechanism. Directors regulate how actors in the design fire and how actors are used in coordination between them. This mechanism allows different MACs to be connected within Priority II, which are specified using Java.

Priority II uses hierarchical composition to handle heterogeneous actors. It has a hierarchy that directs the organization of the firing of the actors at that level. Priority II has no intrinsic notion of memory between actors or of state decomposition.

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A precision and range independent tool for testing floating-point arithmetic I : basic operations, square root and remainder

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This paper introduces a precision and range independent tool for testing the compliance of hardware or software implementations of (independent) floating-point arithmetic with the principles of the IEEE standards 754 and 854. The tool consists of a driver program, offering many options to test only specific aspects of the IEEE standards, and a large set of test vectors, encoded in a precision independent syntax to allow the testing of basic and extended hardware formats as well as multiprecision floating-point implementations.

The suite of test vectors stems on one hand from the integration and fully precision and range independent generalization of existing hardware test sets, and on the other hand from the systematic testing of exact rounding for all combinations of round and sticky bit that can occur. The former constitutes only 80% of the resulting test set. In the latter we especially focus on hard-to-round cases.

In addition, the test suite implicitly tests properties of floating-point operations, following the list of Properties, and it reports which of the three IEEE-compliant underflow mechanisms is used by the floating-point implementation under consideration. We also check whether that underflow mechanism is used consistently.

The tool is hardware compatible with the UCRTTEST package and with Cren's test system.

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General Terms: Floating-point, arithmetic

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Integrating System Modelling with Safety Activities

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Abstract. Increasing enforcement of safety standards – such as the new ISO 26262 – requires developers of embedded systems to supplement their development processes with safety-related activities, such as hazard analysis or creation of technical safety concepts. Since these activities are often only loosely coupled with core development tasks, their addition reduces efficiency and causes a lack of consistency and traceability. This paper presents an approach to the integration of architectural modeling, modeling of failure scenarios, allocation safety mechanisms to architectural elements, and finally traceability to requirements and test coverage. The presented methodology gives clear instructions for the comprehensive usage of existing techniques. The process is demonstrated using a real-world example from the automotive sector. In two industrial projects a significant increase of productivity could be achieved, safety using standard tools such as DOORS and IQ-RM. Nevertheless, this paper concludes with some suggestions for further enhancement of the method through formalization, e.g. using SysML, and test integration.

1 Introduction

Although consideration of safety aspects has a long tradition in the automotive business, the integration into the development process of automotive embedded systems is still not satisfactory. Automotive manufacturers and suppliers are more familiar with mechanical components implementing safety functions, than they are with software-controlled components. Software and system development processes have not yet attained a high level of maturity, and in particular software and hardware interfaces are sometimes poorly specified. In addition, safety processes, such as those defined by the new ISO 26262, are often imposed from “outside”, i.e. by external safety organizations, unfamiliar with developers’ daily work, leading to regular

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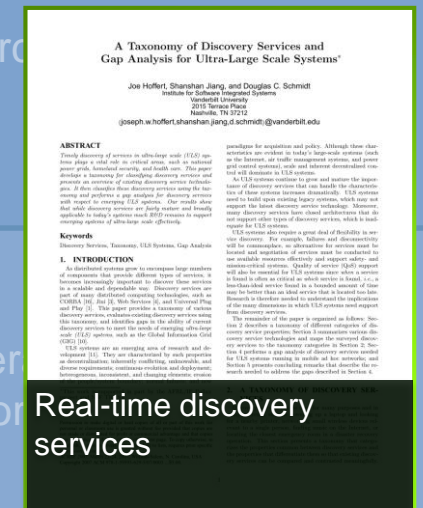
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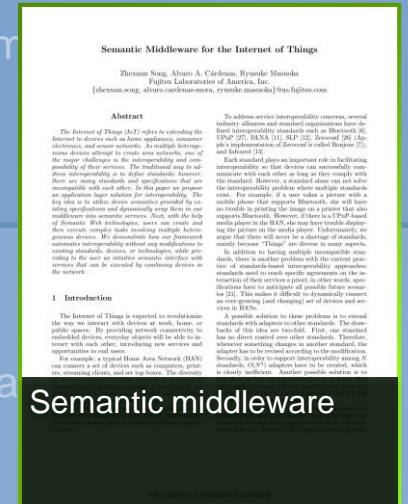
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Language and ontology infrastructure to support translation and transformation

Reliable model and code generation

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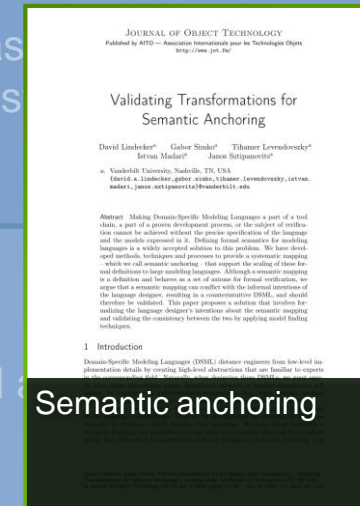
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Cyber-physical systems challenges: a needs analysis for collaborating embedded software systems

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Abstract Embedding computing power in a physical environment has provided the functional flexibility and performance necessary in modern products such as automobiles, aircraft, smartphones, and more. As product features came to increasingly rely on software, a network infrastructure helped factor out common hardware and offered sharing functionality for further innovation. A logical consequence was the need for system integration. Even in the case of a single original end manufacturer who is responsible for the final product, system integration is quite a challenge. More recently, there have been systems coming online that must perform system integration even after deployment—that is, during operation. This has given rise to the cyber-physical systems (CPS) paradigm. In this paper, select key enablers for a new type of system integration are discussed. The needs and challenges for designing and operating CPS are identified along with corresponding technologies to address the challenges and their potential impact. The intent is to contribute to a model-based research agenda in terms of design methods, implementation technologies, and organization challenges necessary to bring the next-generation systems online.

Keywords Cyber-physical systems · Computation · Embedded systems · Challenges · Internet of Things · Modeling and simulation

1 Motivation

Engineered systems rely on ingenuity and technology to implement a desired functionality, examples of which include aircraft, automobiles, power plants, smartphones, robots, washers and dryers, pacemakers, and more. Embedded systems are engineered systems that implement functionality by employing computational technologies. The embedded nature allows the computational elements to interact directly (i) with a physical computing platform that it executes on and (ii) with its physical surroundings. In other words, computational logic may obtain input from sensors that measure physical quantities, execute physical instructions of a computing platform to compute output from this input, and provide the output to actuators that effect change in physical quantities and affect the physical behavior.

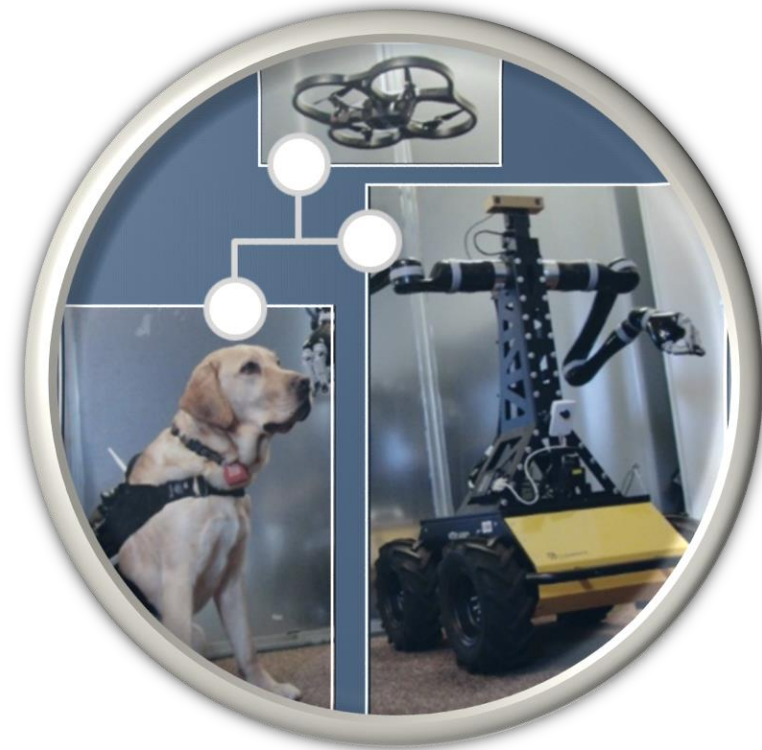
The intent of this paper is to explore the maturation of embedded systems and the evolution of the concept of cyber-physical systems (CPS). A result of this exploration is the identification of challenges specific to systems of a CPS nature. The perspective reflects upon an industry vantage point. Focus is on models for solving industry-relevant challenges when developing next-generation software systems. While the material is intended to be accessible to the

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