



Application Autotuning for Energy Efficient Heterogeneous HPC Systems



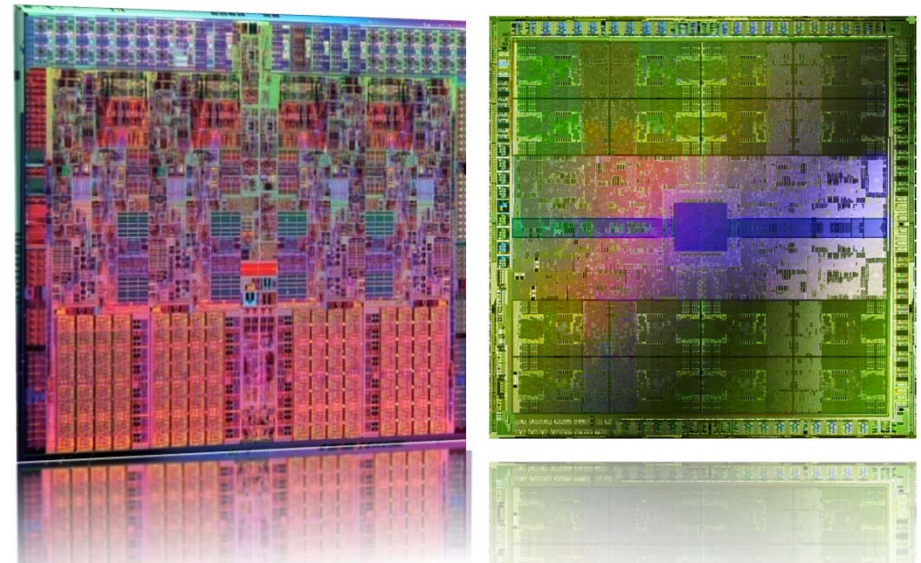
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Outline

- ❑ Research Challenges in the Exascale Era
- ❑ Application Autotuning
- ❑ ANTAREX Project
- ❑ Conclusions





RESEARCH CHALLENGES

Energy efficiency underlies all markets

- Energy efficiency is of paramount importance for all application markets (automotive, consumer, mobile, healthcare and beyond) and target systems spanning from sensors, cyber-physical systems, embedded systems up to servers and HPC systems.



iPhone 6 Plus





World's most powerful supercomputers (June. 2017)

Rank	Site	System	Cores	Rmax (PFlop/s)	Rpeak (PFlop/s)	Power (MW)
1	National Supercomputing Center in Wuxi, China	Sunway TaihuLight - Sunway MPP, Sunway SW26010 260C 1.45GHz, Sunway , NRCPC	10,649,600	93.01	125.44	15.37
2	National Super Computer Center in Guangzhou, China	Tianhe-2 (MilkyWay-2) - TH-IVB-FEP Cluster, Intel Xeon E5-2692 12C 2.200GHz, TH Express-2, Intel Xeon Phi 31S1P, NUDT	3,120,000	33.86	54.9	17.81
3	Swiss National Supercomputing Centre (CSCS), Switzerland	Piz Daint - Cray XC50, Xeon E5-2690v3 12C 2.6GHz, Aries interconnect , NVIDIA Tesla P100, Cray Inc.	361,760	19.59	25.33	2.27
4	DOE/SC/Oak Ridge National Laboratory, US	Titan - Cray XK7, Opteron 6274 16C 2.200GHz, Cray Gemini interconnect, NVIDIA K20x, Cray Inc.	560,640	17.59	27.11	8.21
5	DOE/NNSA/LLNL, US	Sequoia - IBM BlueGene/Q, Power BQC 16C 1.60 GHz, Custom	1,572,864	17.17	20.13	7.89



www.top500.org

Target Scenario

- ❑ Designing and tuning applications for energy-efficient High Performance Computing systems up to the Exascale era is an extremely challenging problem.
- ❑ Exascale supercomputers (reaching billions of billions FLOP per second) cannot be built by simply expanding the number of processing nodes and leveraging technology scaling, as power demand would increase unsustainably (up to hundreds of MW).
- ❑ To reach DARPA's target of **20 MW of Exascale supercomputers** projected to the year 2020, current supercomputers (reaching up to 93 PetaFlop/s) must achieve an energy efficiency “quantum leap” to push toward **10x** energy efficiency from around **5 to 50 GFlops/W**



Target Scenario

- ❑ **The Green500 list** looks at **GigaFlops per Watt** as energy efficiency metric to rank supercomputers by their energy efficiency.
- ❑ According to the latest Green500 list (June 2017): the “most green” supercomputer TSUBAME 3.0 installed at the Tokyo Institute of Technology achieves **14 GigaFlops/W** during its 1.9PetaFlop/s per Linpack.
- ❑ Top 4 positions in Green500 are occupied by **heterogeneous systems** equipped with Intel Xeon processors and NVIDIA’s Tesla P100 GPUs.
- ❑ Next generation green HPC heterogeneous systems will integrate the latest NVIDIA Volta GV100 GPU to further accelerating the computation.



Target Scenario

- ❑ **Dominance of heterogeneous systems in the Green500 list** is expected to be a trend for the next coming years to reach the target of 20MW Exascale supercomputers.
- ❑ To reach the Exascale target, energy-efficient supercomputers need to be coupled with a **radically new software stack** capable of exploiting the benefits offered by heterogeneity at different levels:
 - ▶ At application level, to reduce the number of instructions per unit of computation;
 - ▶ At runtime level, to optimize the balancing and mapping of tasks and data on the heterogeneous resources;
 - ▶ At architecture level, to introduce energy-efficient and acceleration solutions exploiting heterogeneity and reconfigurability.

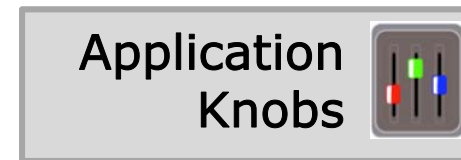


My Research Challenges

- ❑ Autotuning of HPC applications with respect to changing workloads, operating conditions and computing resources
- ❑ Providing programming models and domain specific languages to express self-adaptivity strategies and extra-functional requirements
- ❑ Monitoring the evolution of HPC platforms and exploiting heterogeneous computing by runtime resource and power management

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- Approximate computing: output just needs to be “good enough” trading off accuracy/throughput/energy

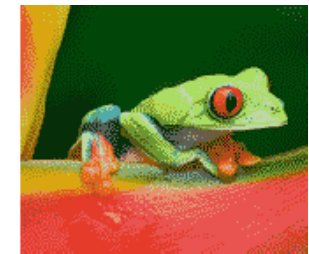
Application Knobs



24-bit - 16M Colors

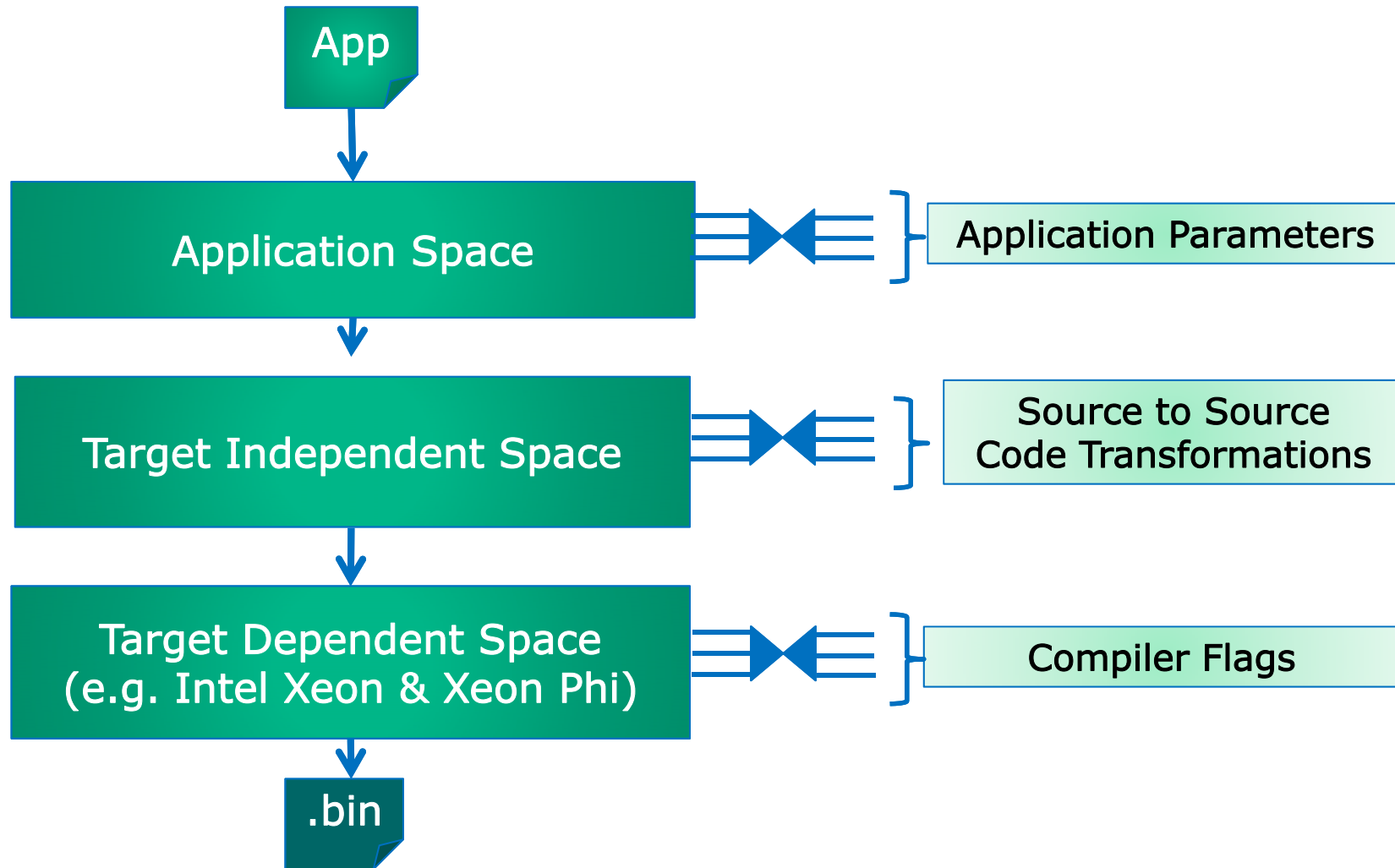


8-bit - 255 Colors



4-bit - 16 Colors

Tunable Applications: Software Knobs





AUTOMATIC DESIGN SPACE EXPLORATION

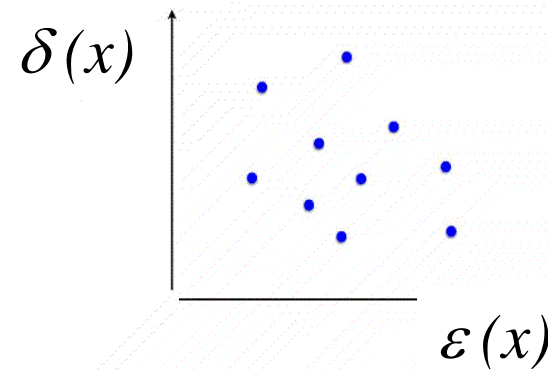
The multi-objective optimisation problem

- **Objective function:** To minimize both energy $\varepsilon(x)$ and execution time $\delta(x)$ of the target application on system configurations x :

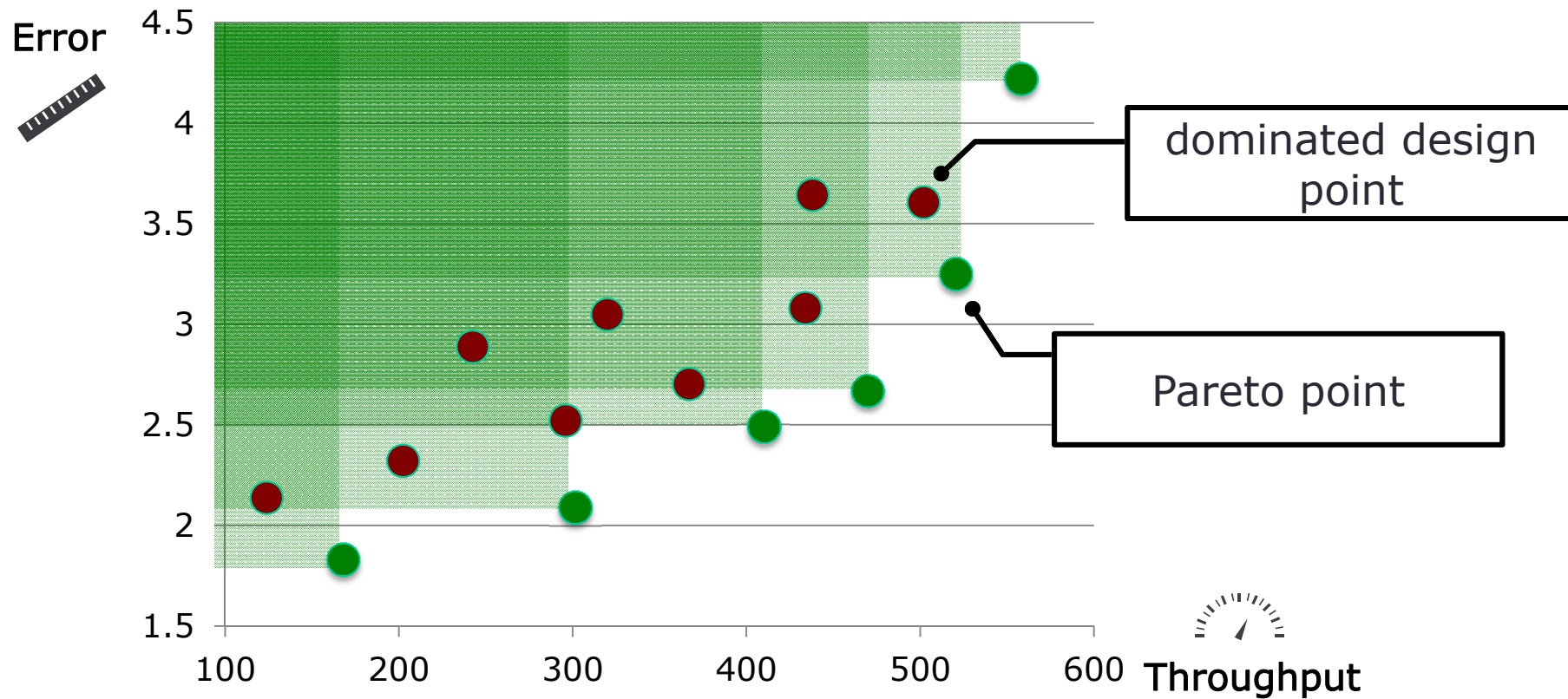
$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in X} \omega(\mathbf{x}), \quad \omega(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) \\ \delta(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix}$$

where X is the design space.

- The solution is a set of tradeoff configurations $X_p \subseteq X$ known as Pareto set



Multi-objective exploration: Pareto Points




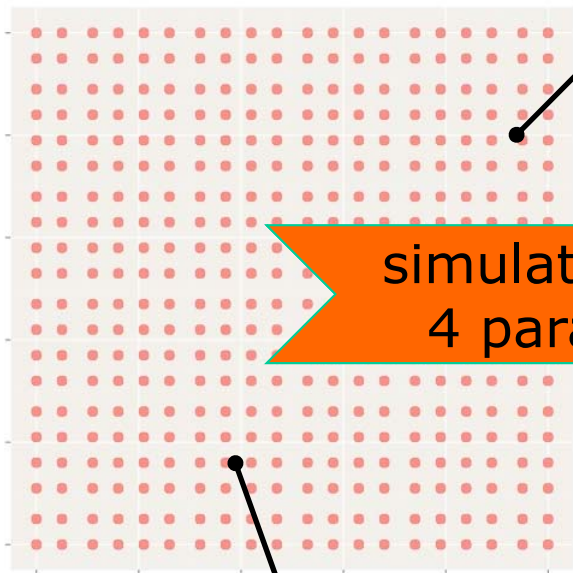
Multi-Objective Exploration: **best designs are not unique.**
Pareto points provide tradeoffs with respect to the multiple objectives

Full search simulation time

FULL SEARCH

Can become quickly unfeasible

~10 minutes
per simulation* 



simulation time on
4 parallel cores

10

Years

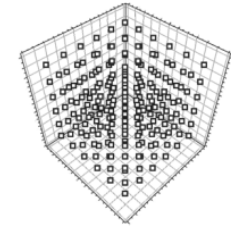
262 144 design points
x
8 data sets
=
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* Using a cycle-accurate simulator

MULTICUBE Explorer

1. Design of Experiments (DoEs):

To identify the experimentation plan: how to select the design points in the design space to be simulated: random, full factorial, central composite design.



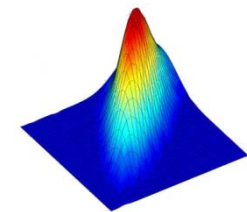
2. Optimisation Algorithms:

Meta-heuristics methods inspired by analogies with physics, or with biology to solve multi-objective optimization problems: simulated annealing, genetic algorithms, evolutionary strategies, etc.



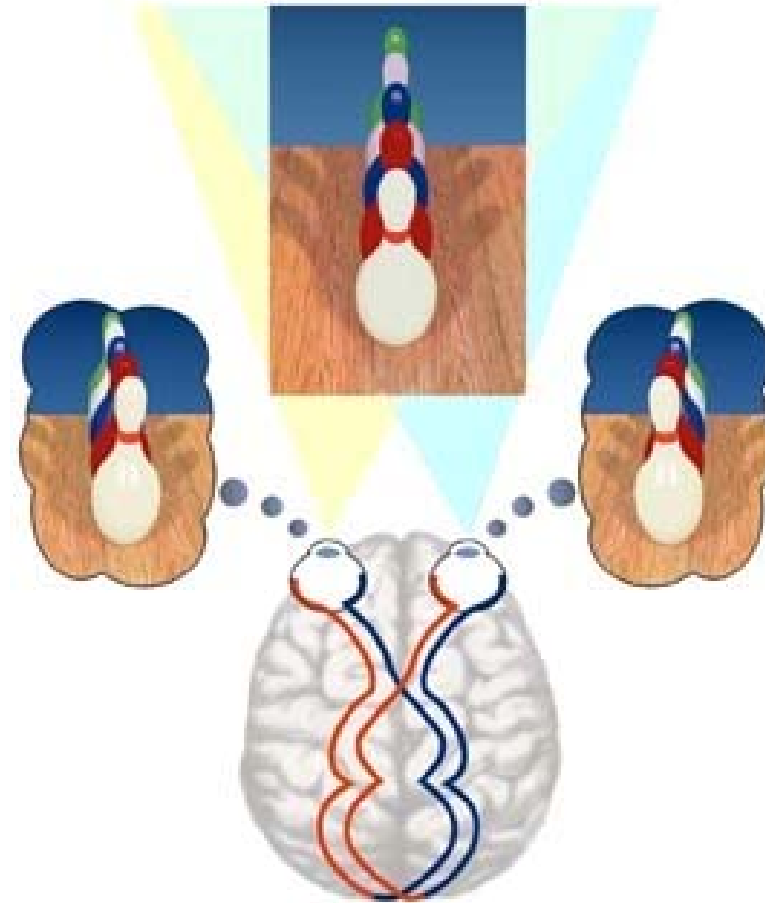
3. Response Surface Modeling (RSM):

To use the set of simulated points to obtain an analytical model of the system behavior: linear regression, spline interpolation, artificial neural network, etc.



Design-time optimization of OpenCL applications

**The Multi-View Case Study:
The human eye stereo matching**



2 eyes → third dimension

Quality of Results: Pixel Disparity Error



Left camera



Right camera

stereo-matching



Reference disparity map

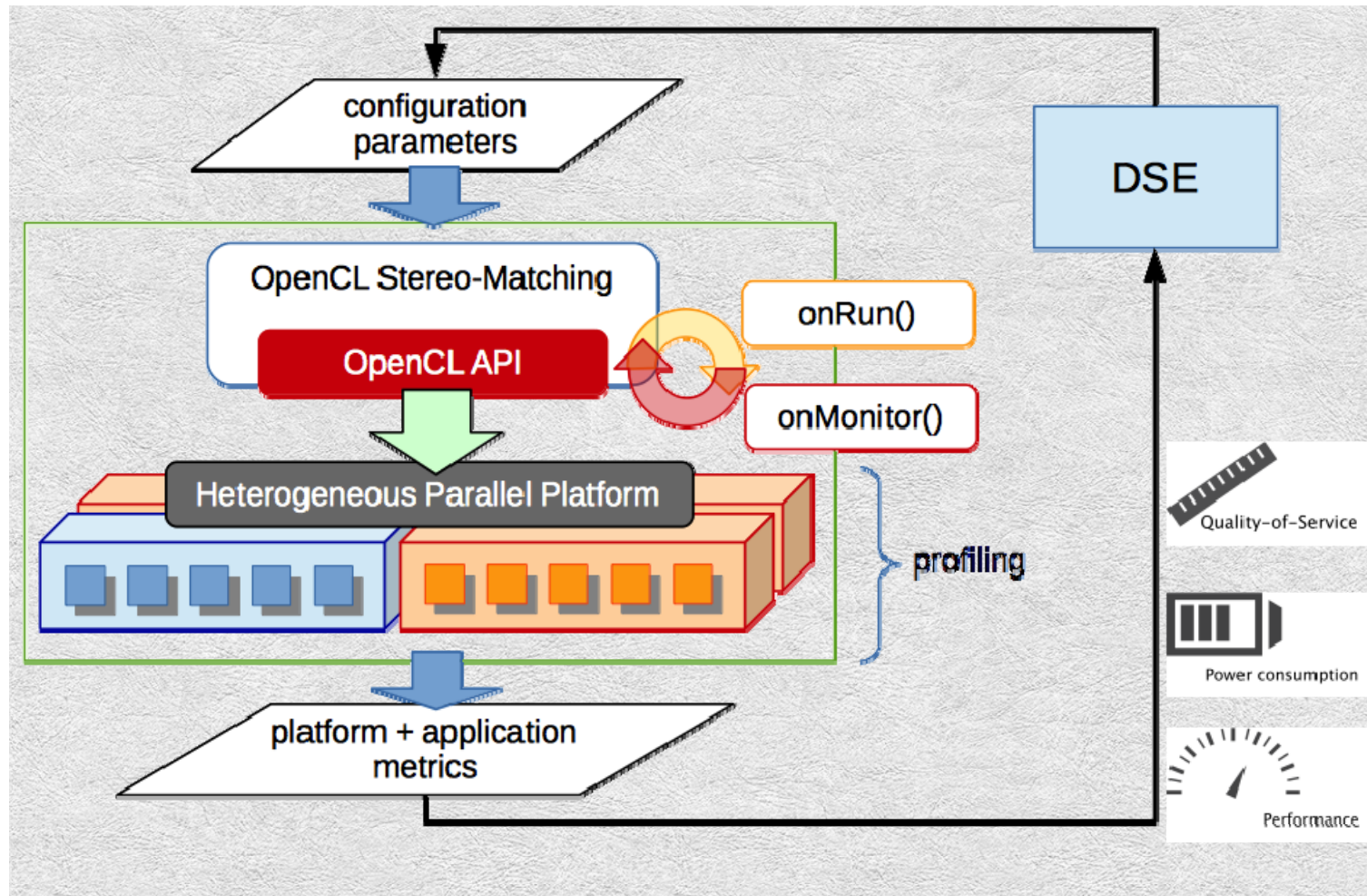
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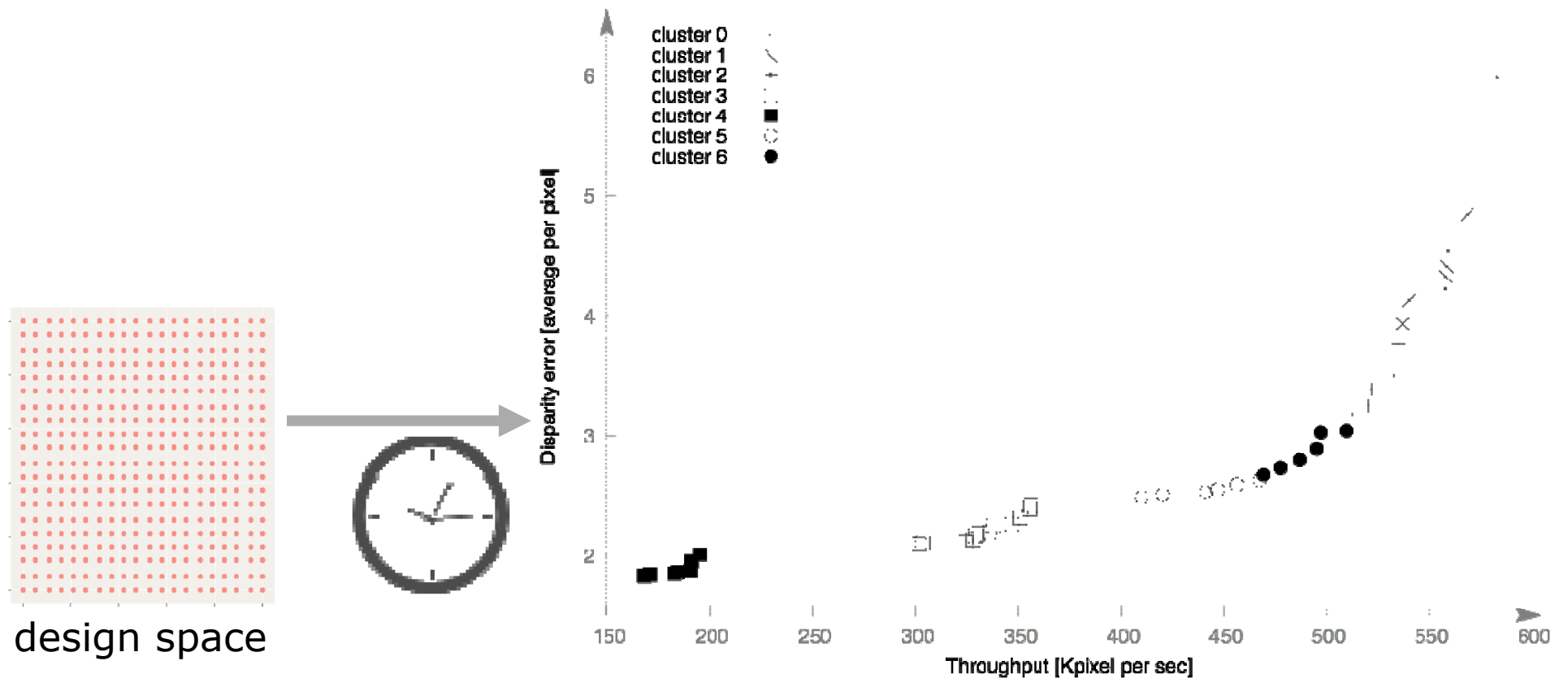
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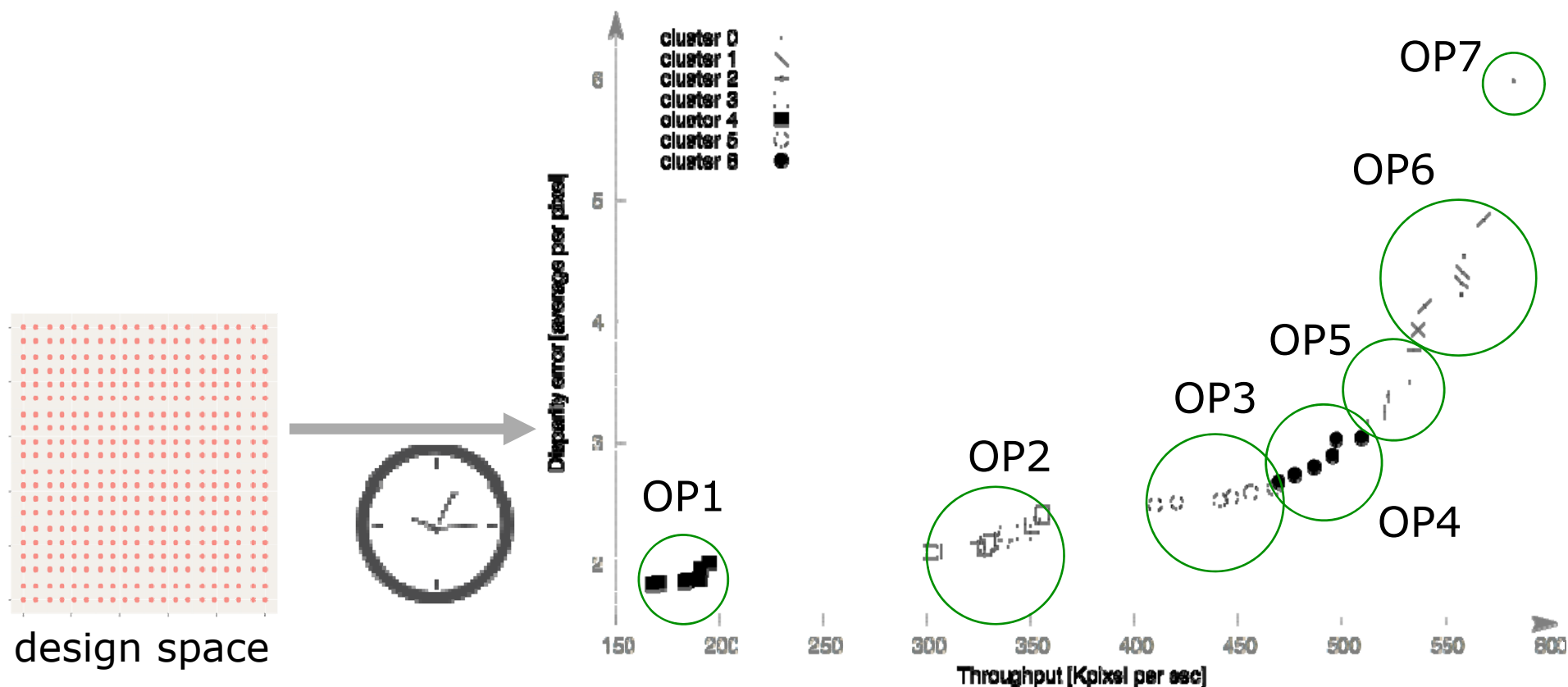
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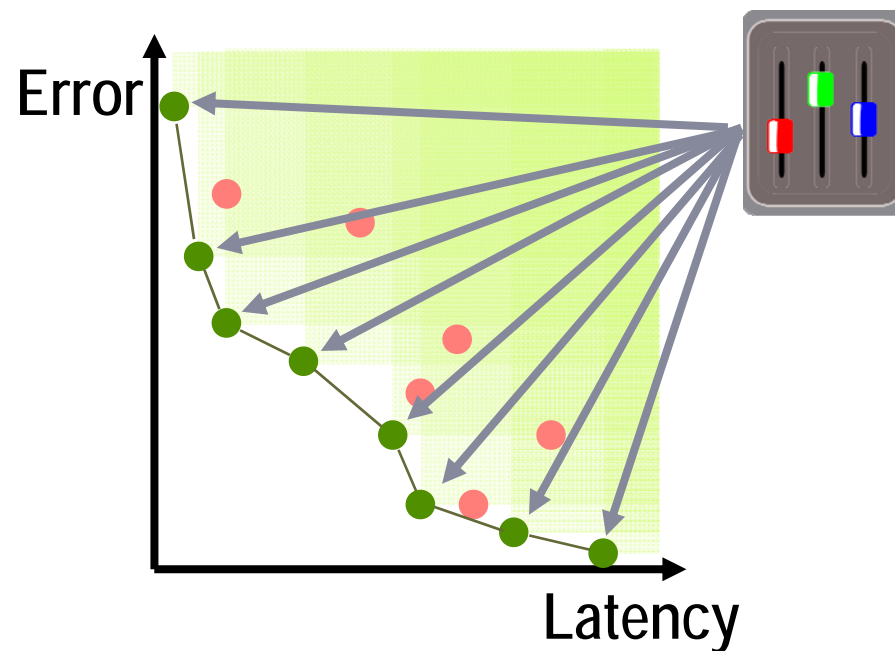




APPLICATION AUTOTUNING

mARGOt Application Autotuning

- **Key idea** is that most of the applications are dynamically configurable in terms of a set of tunable parameters, code transformations and code variants (**application knobs**) to trade-off accuracy and latency

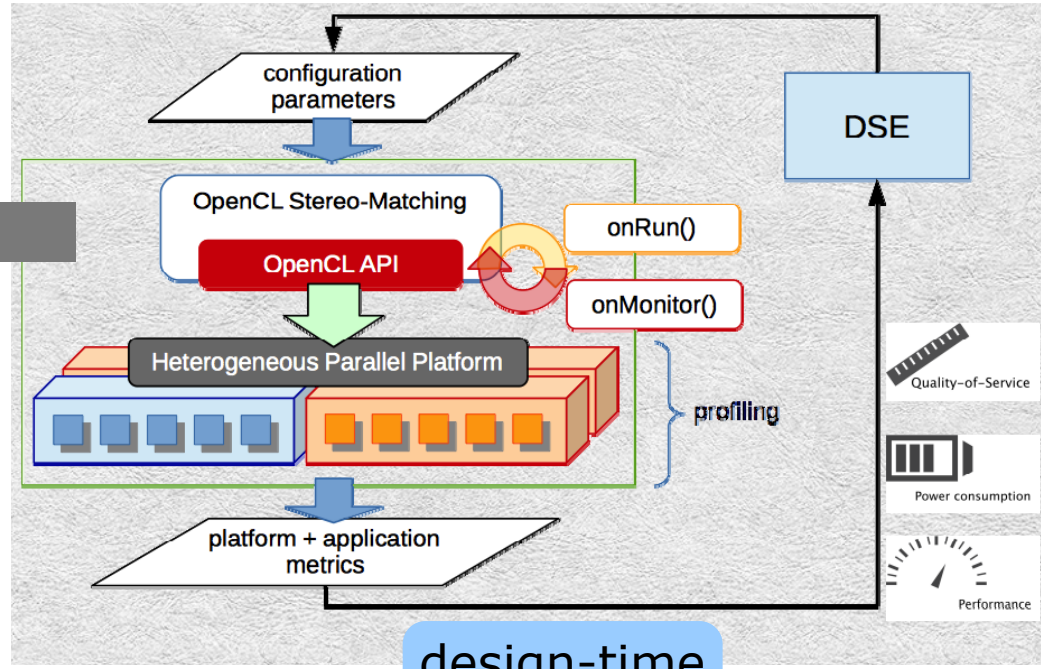
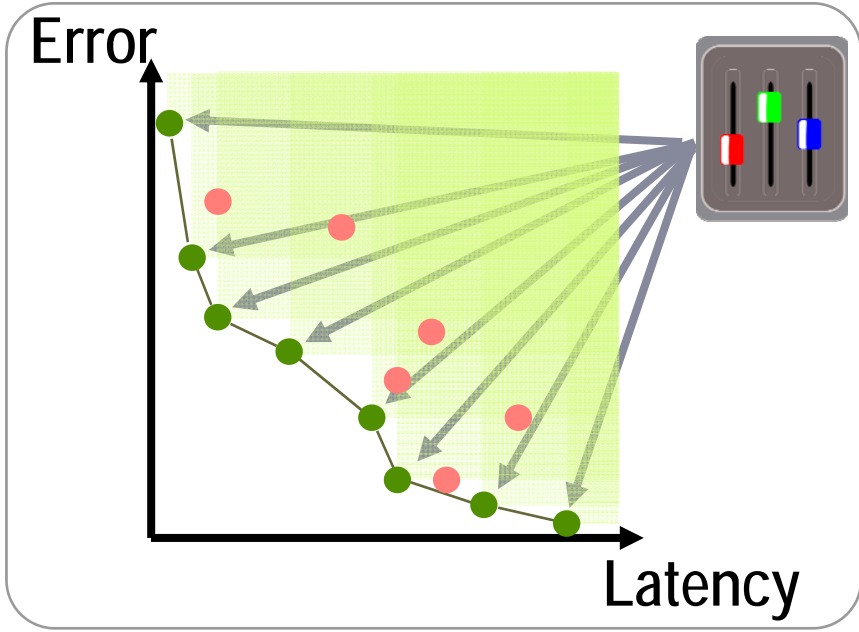


mARGOt Application Autotuning

- mARGOt is a **light-weight application autotuning framework** for manycore platforms in an adaptive multi-application environment.
 - ▶ Combination of **design-time** and **run-time** techniques to create an effective way of “*self-aware*” computing with **limited runtime overhead**.
 - ▶ **Orthogonality** between application autotuning and runtime management of system resources

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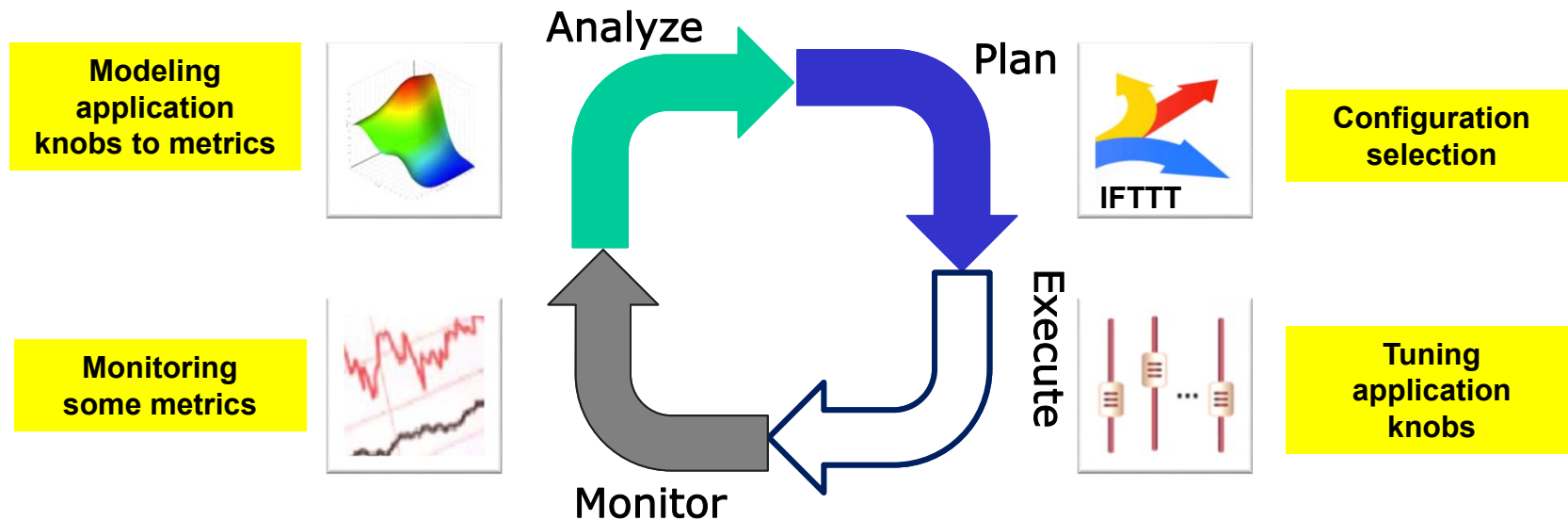
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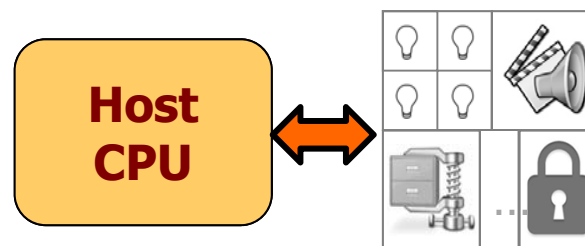


Runtime feedback loop

- **Application autotuning** enables self-optimization capabilities based on **Monitor-Analyze-Plan-Execute (MAPE) feedback loop***

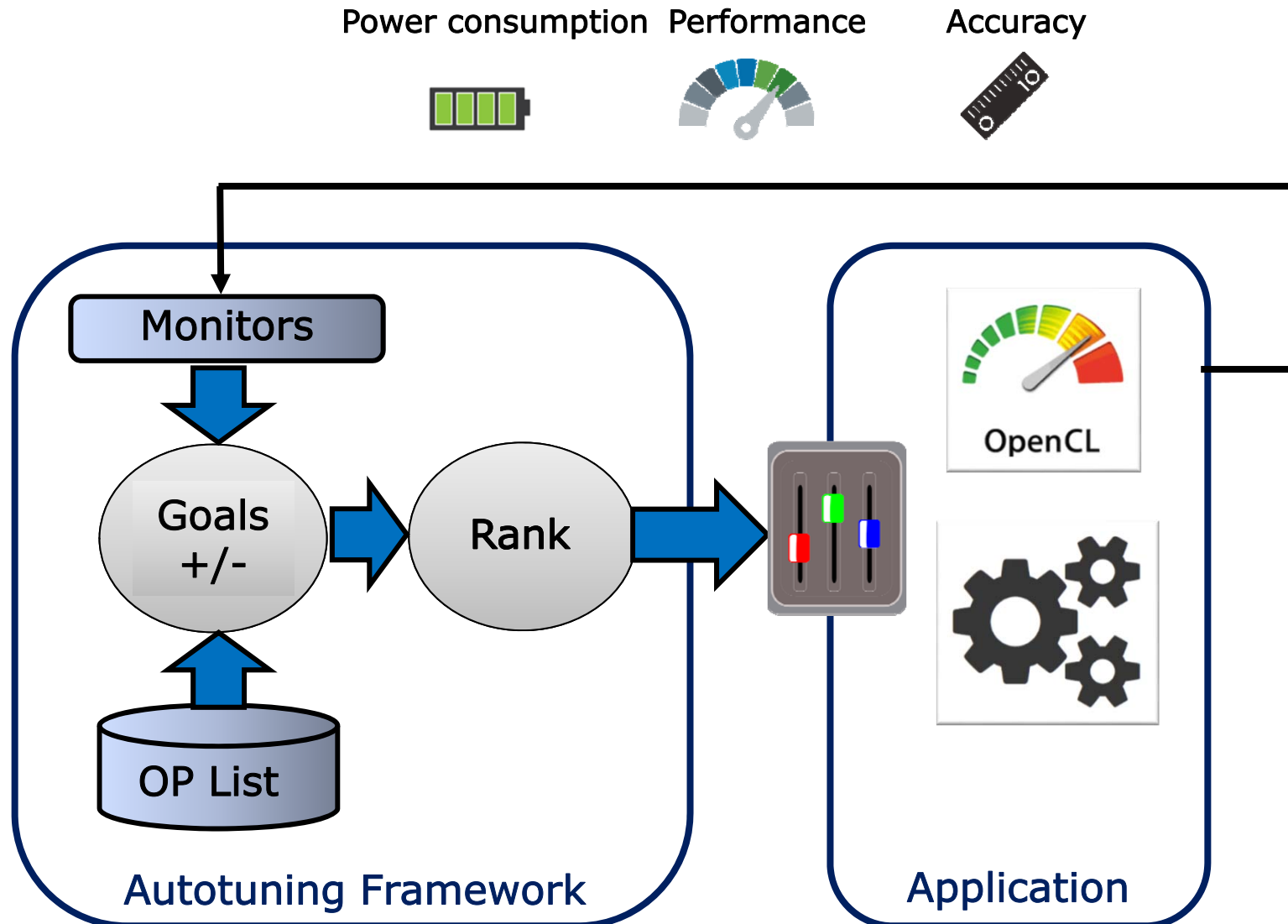


Heterogeneous Many-Core Platform

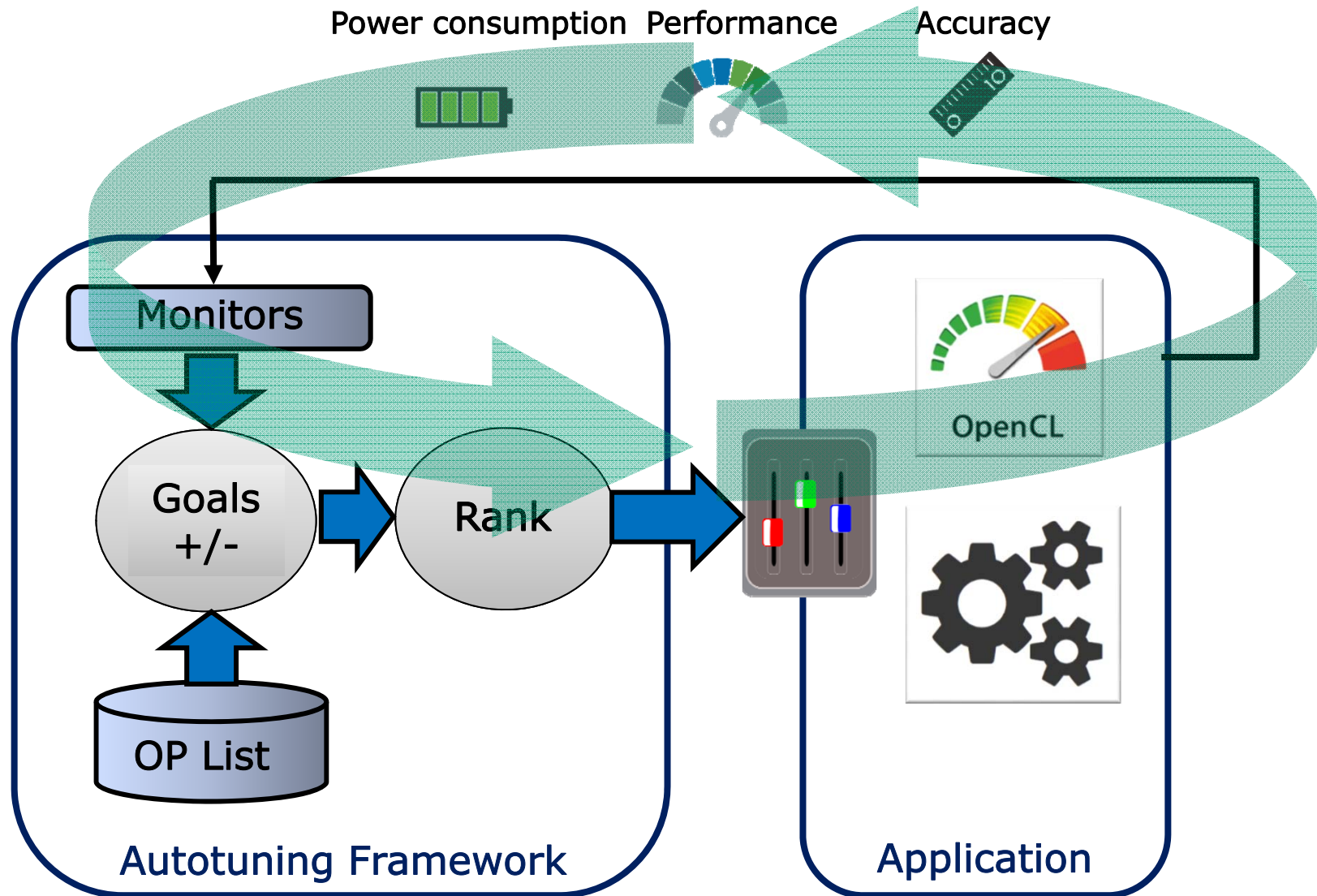


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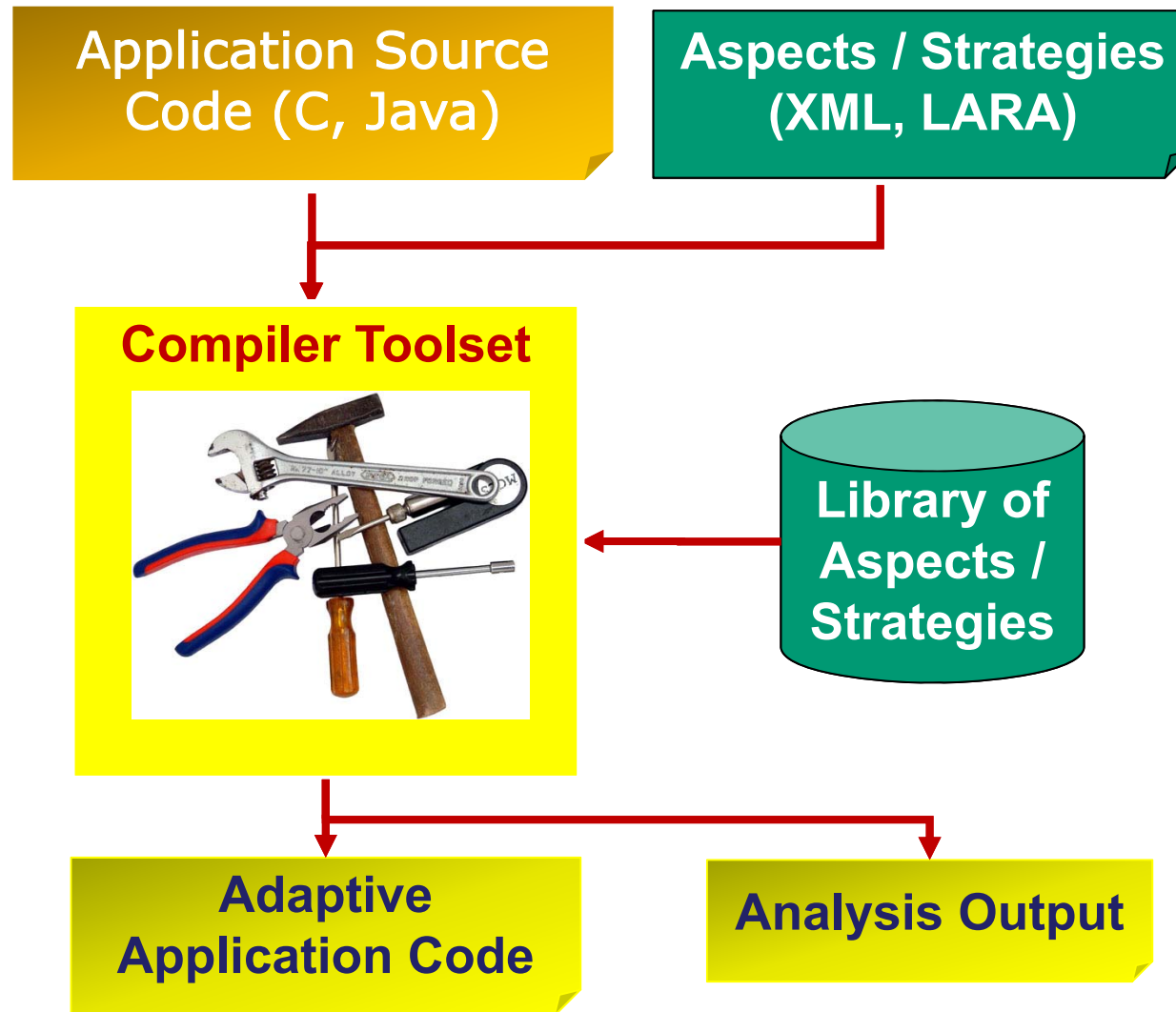
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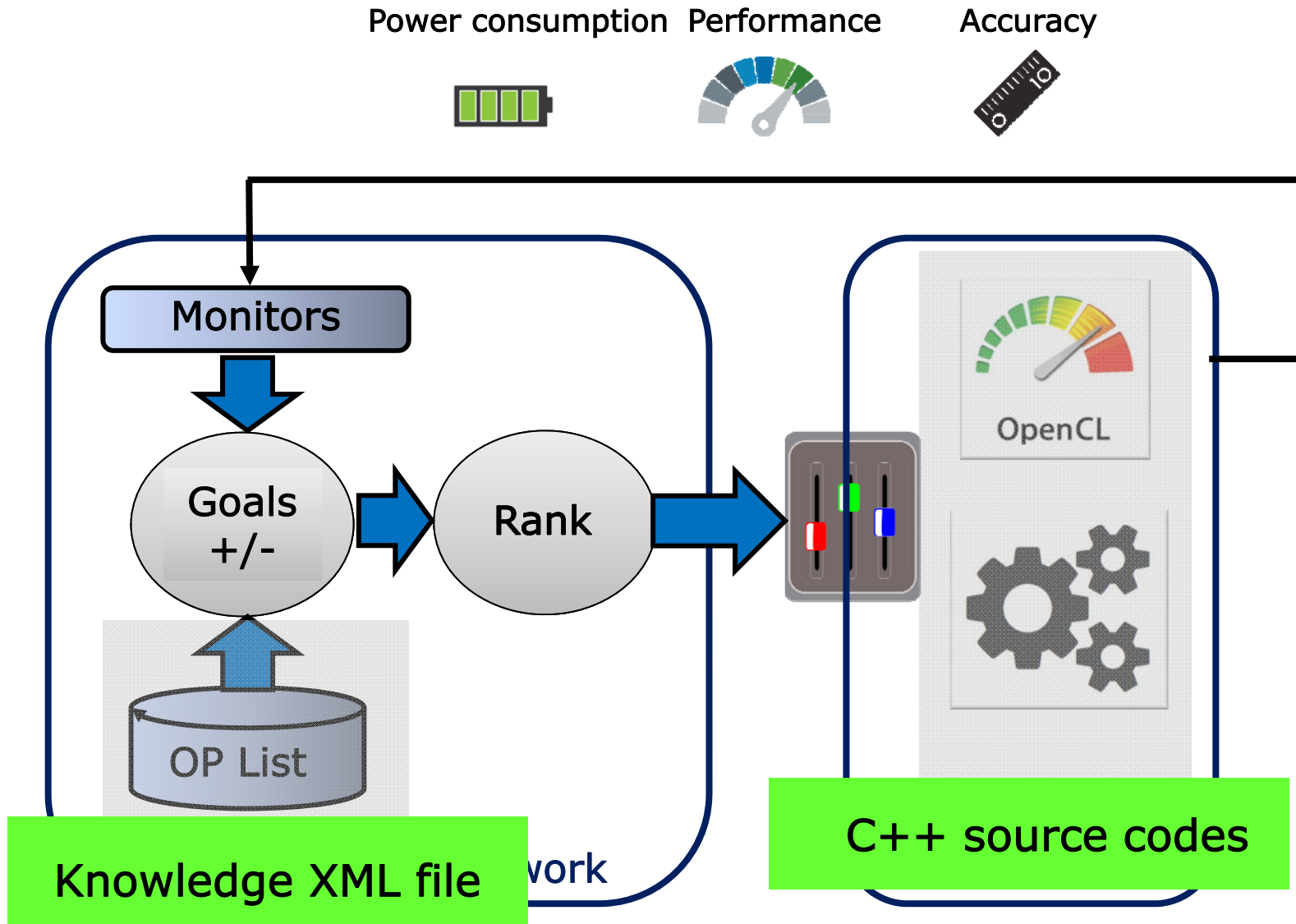


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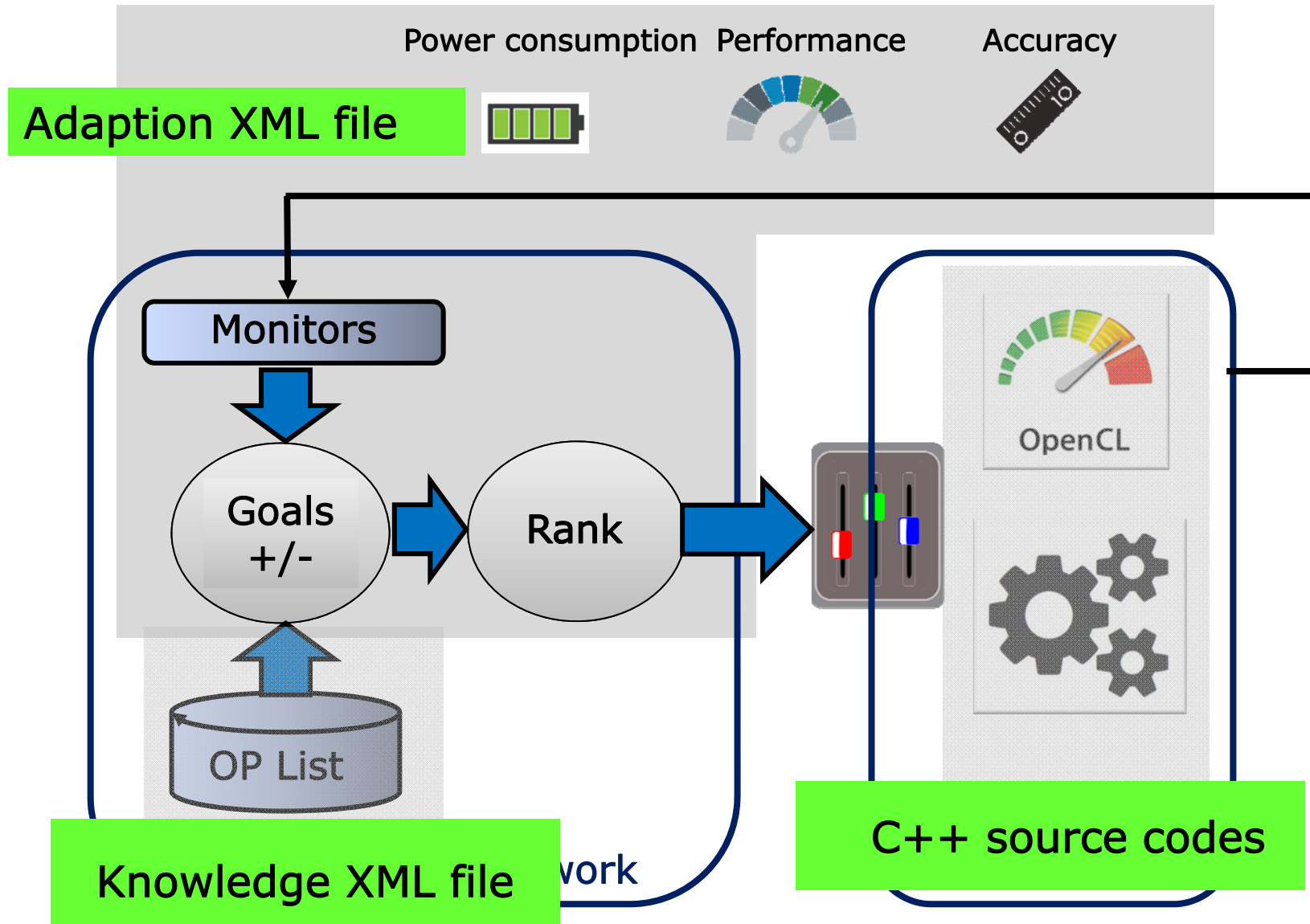


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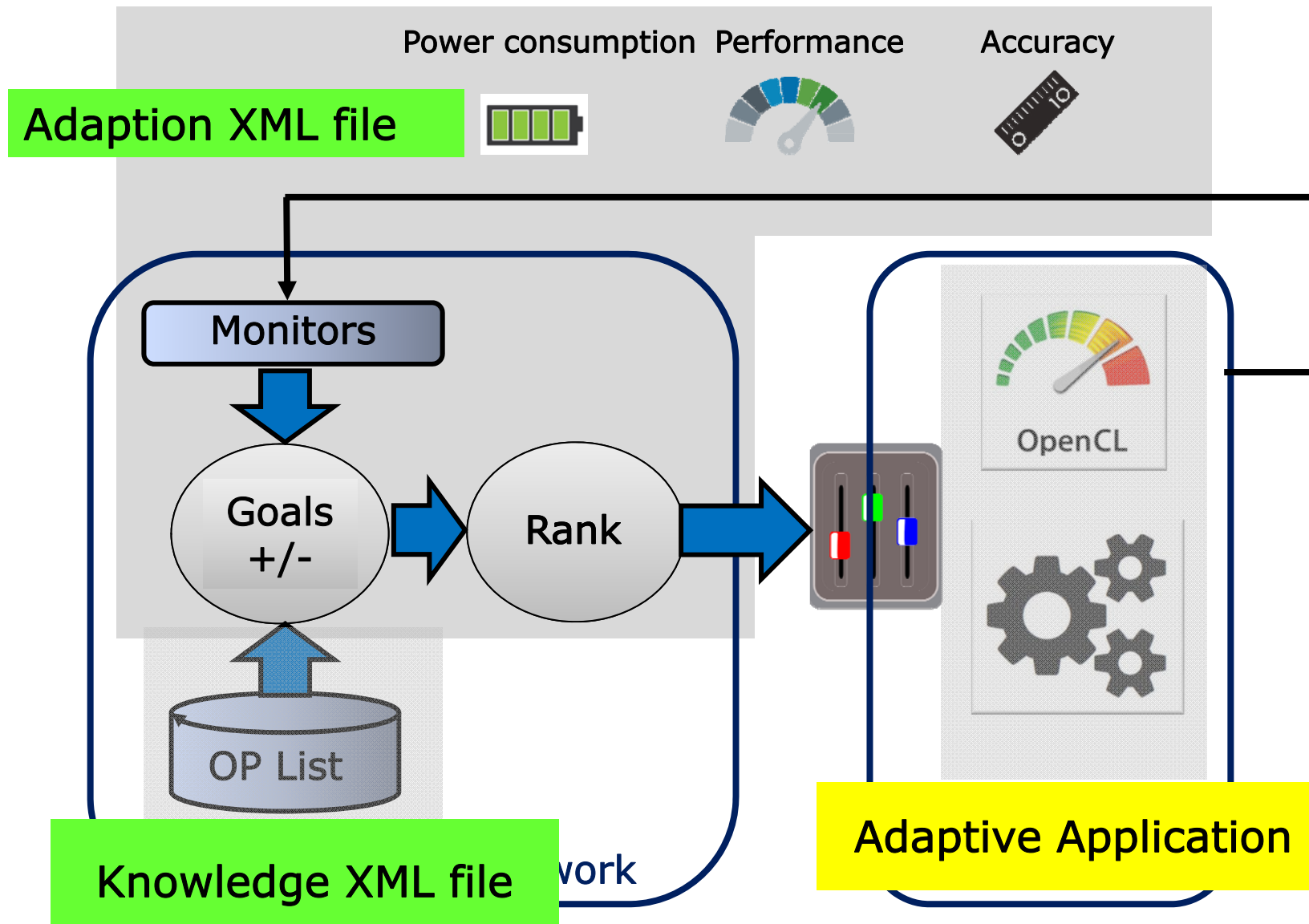
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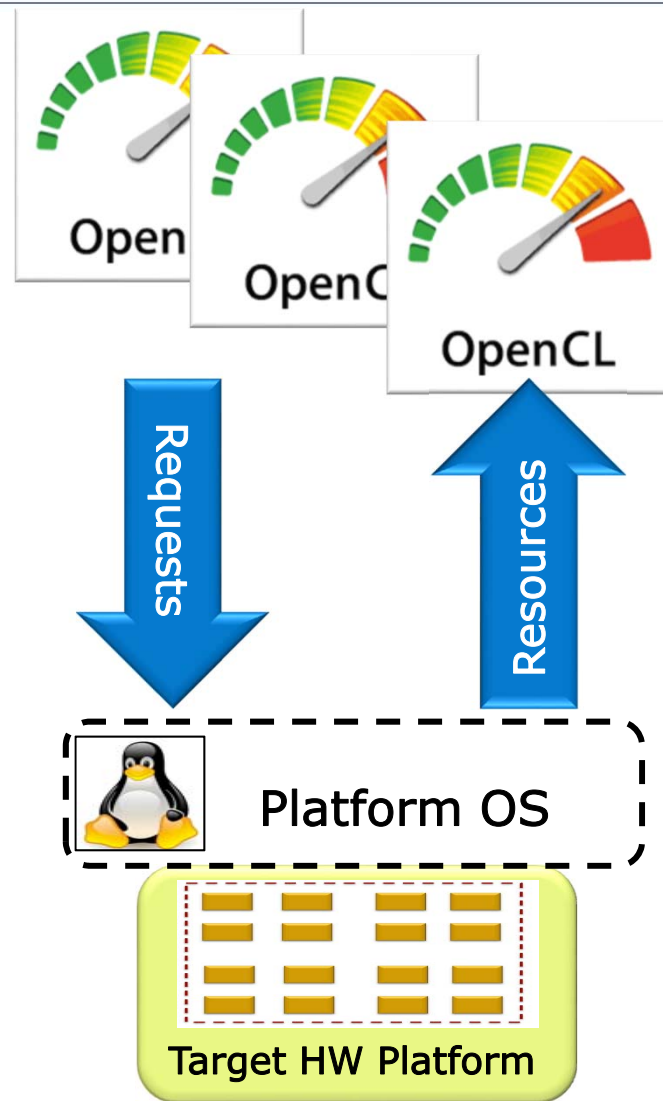
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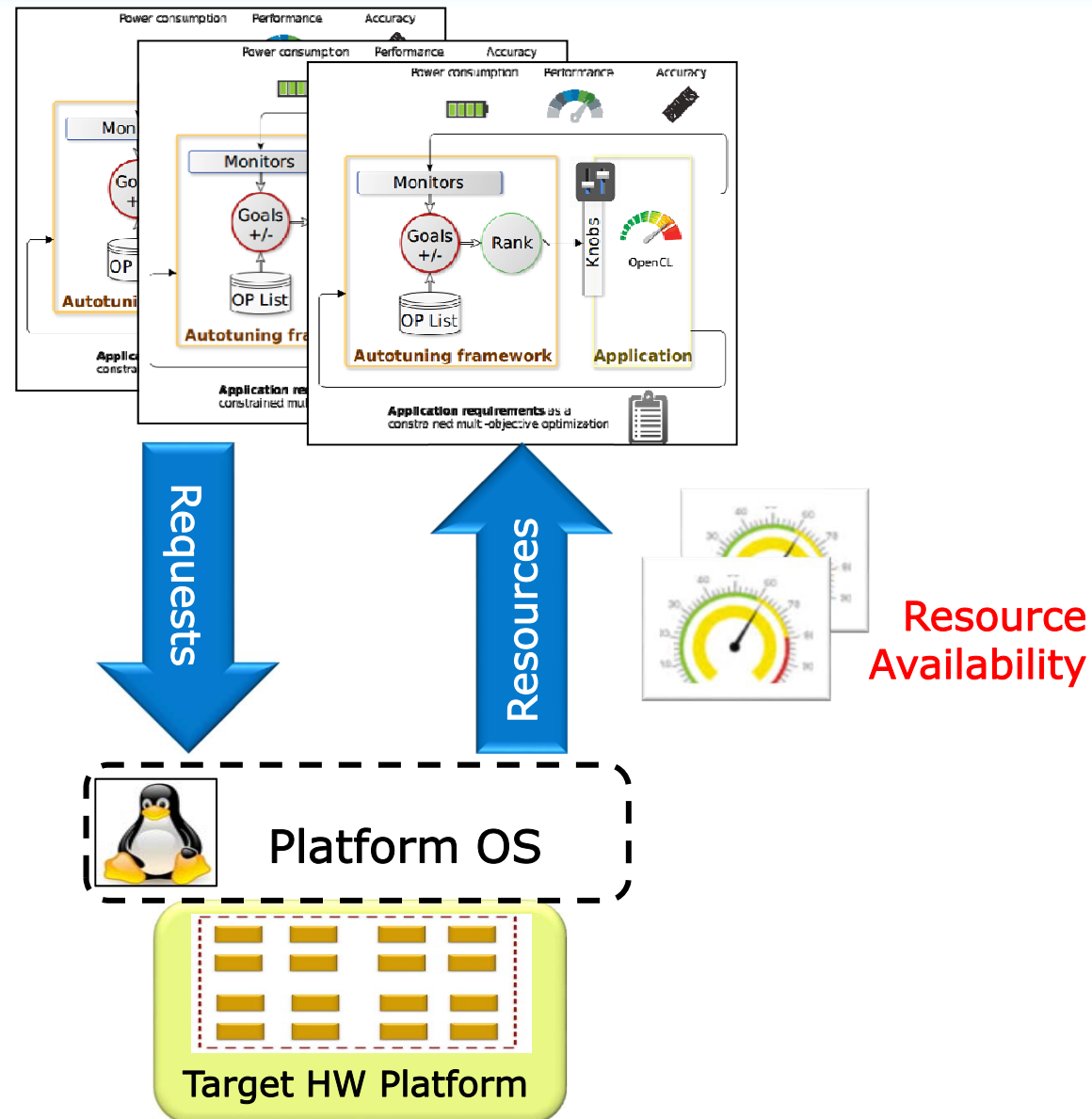
APPLICATION AUTOTUNING AND RUNTIME RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Orthogonality Concept: App Autotuning & RTRM



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Experimental Setup

❑ Target Platform

- Intel Xeon QuadCore CPU E5-1607 @ 3GHz & 8GB RAM
- Linux 3.5 & OpenCL 1.2 runtime provided by Intel SDK 2013

❑ Dynamic Workload Definition

- ▶ Single application reacting to external changes
- ▶ Multiple instances of the same application

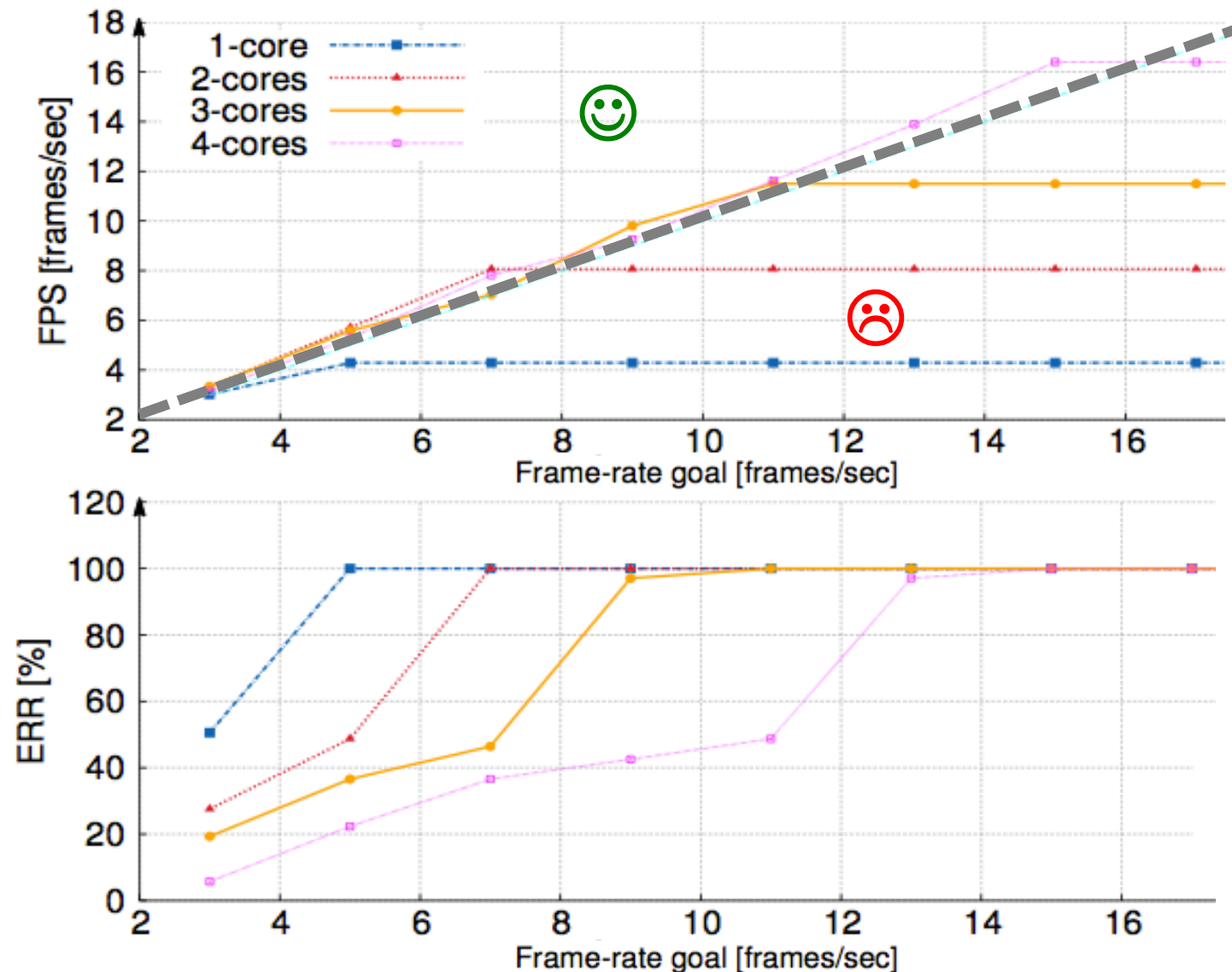


❑ Metrics of interest

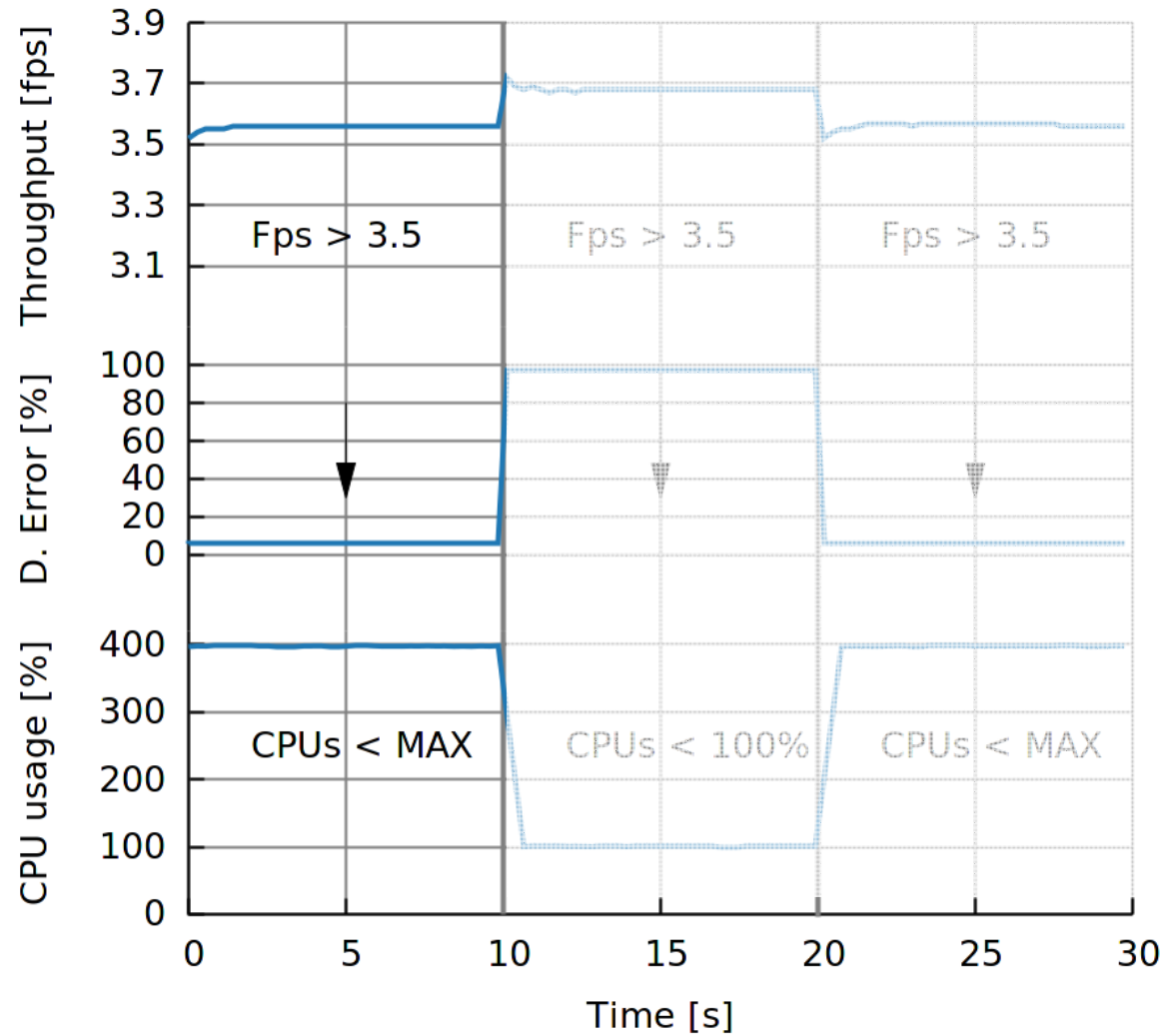
- **Throughput:** Number of frames per second [fps]
- **Quality:** Normalized disparity error w.r.t reference
- **Resources:** Percentage of CPU used by the application

Application Autotuning Tradeoffs

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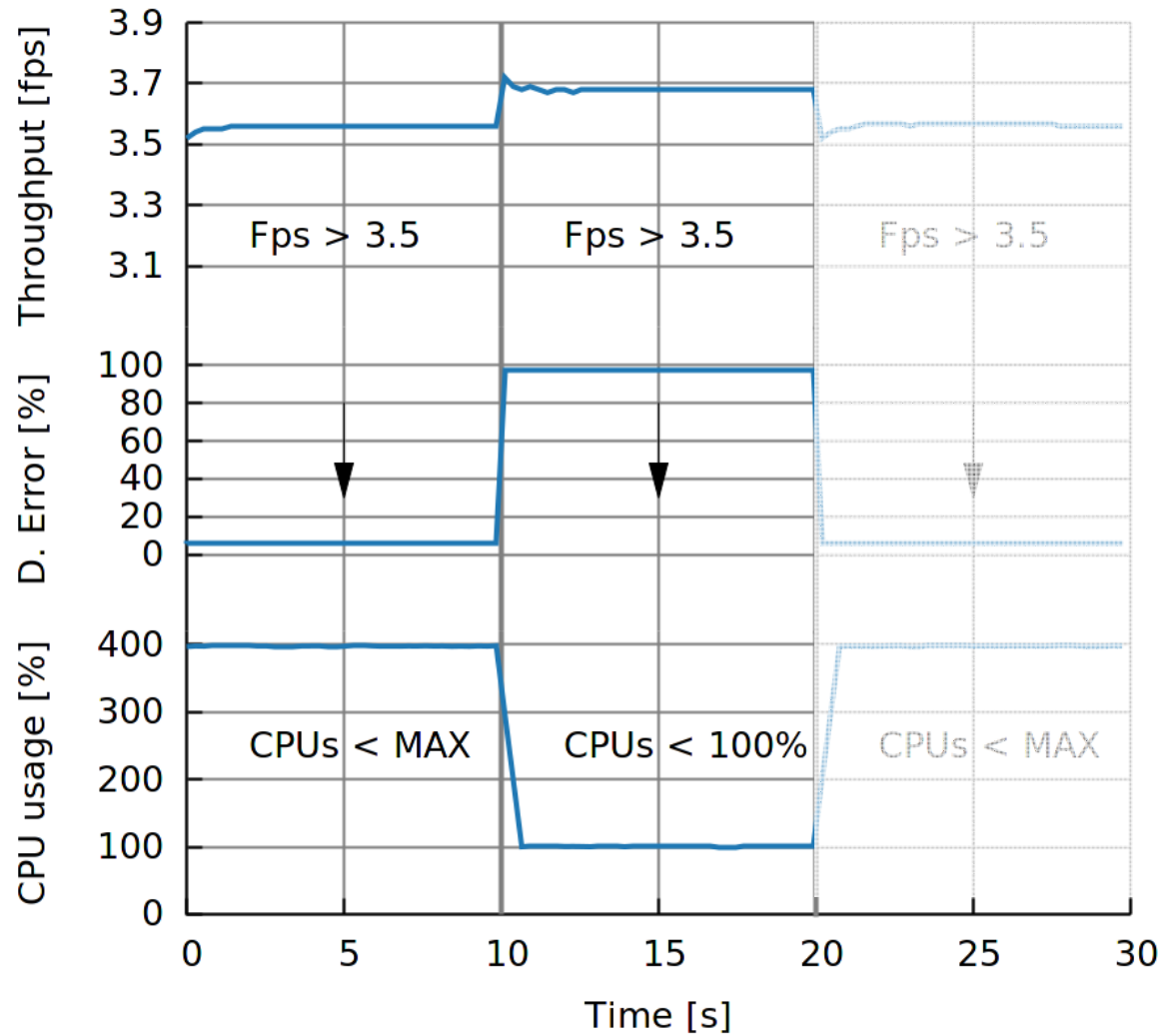


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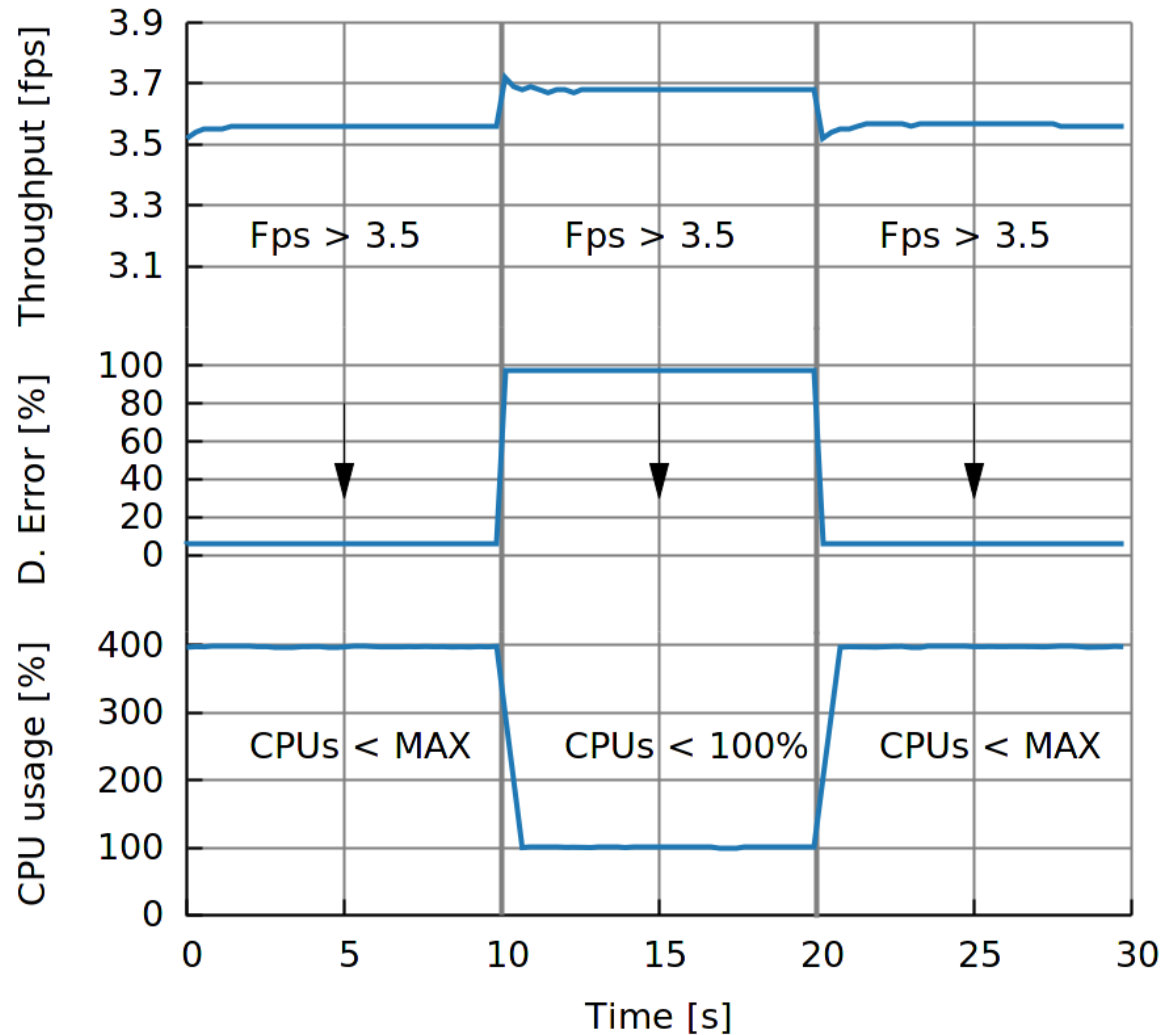
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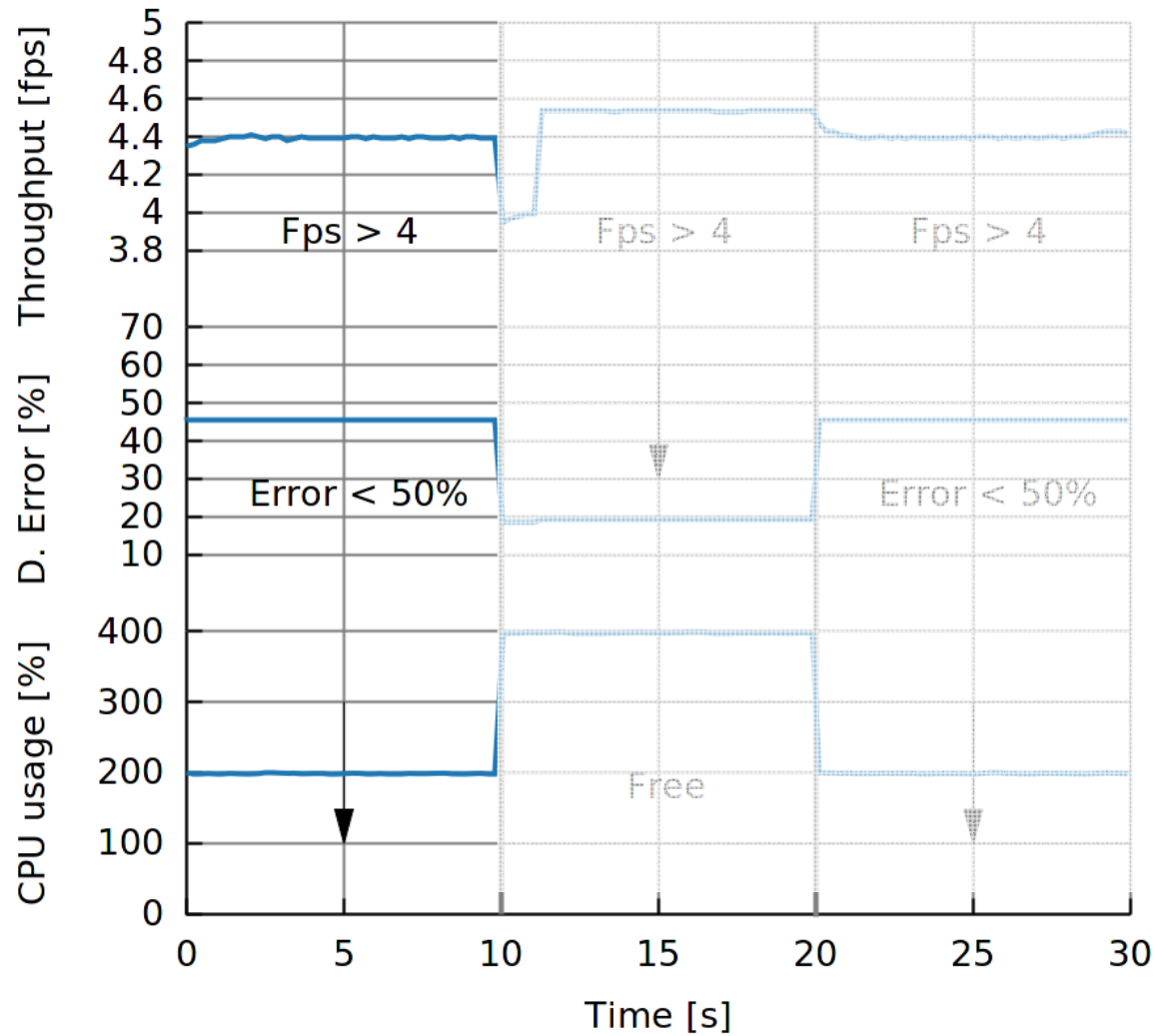
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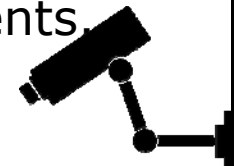
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- **Third phase:**
The task has finished releasing CPU resources

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Application Autotuning: Dynamic Adaptation (2)

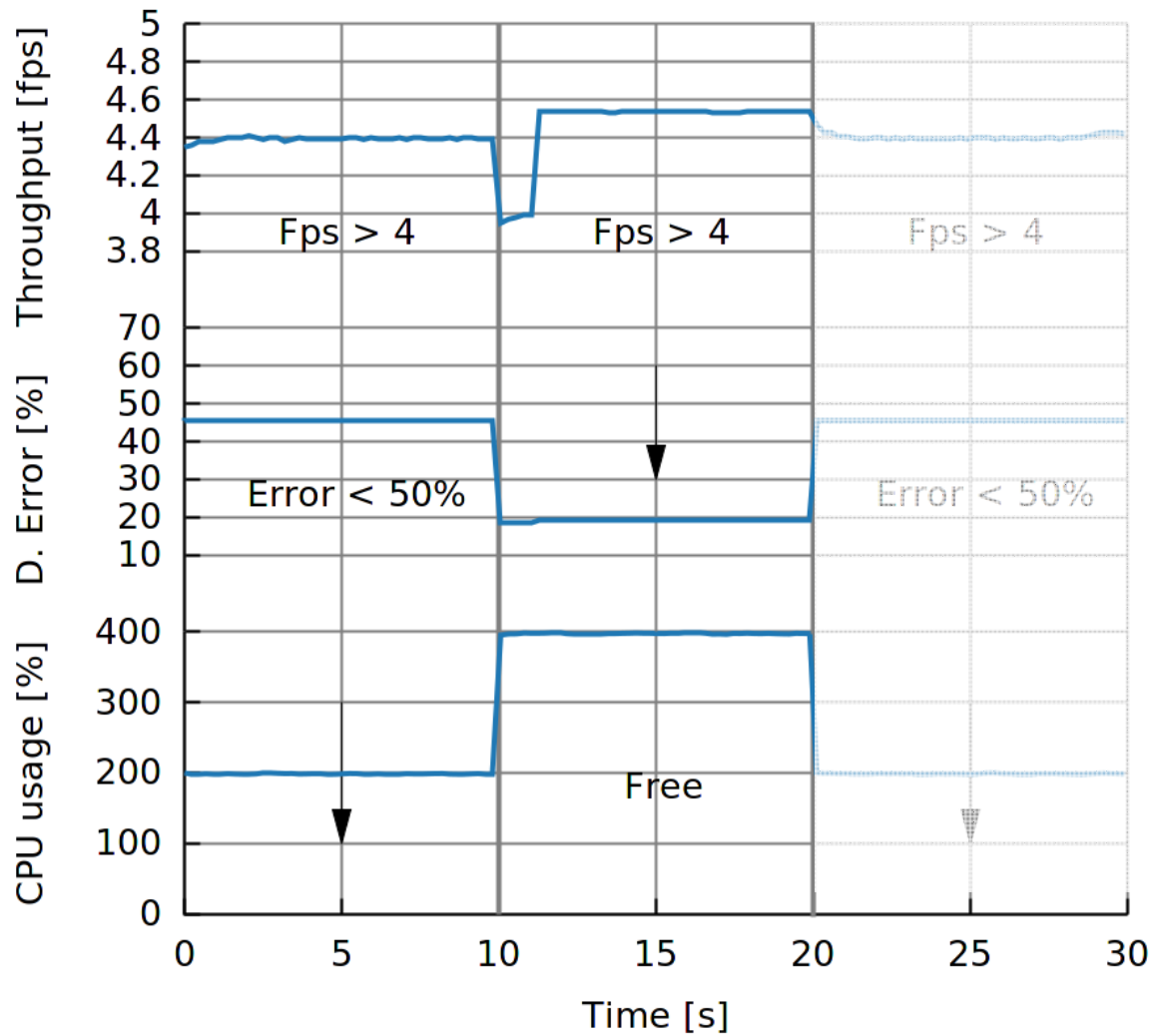


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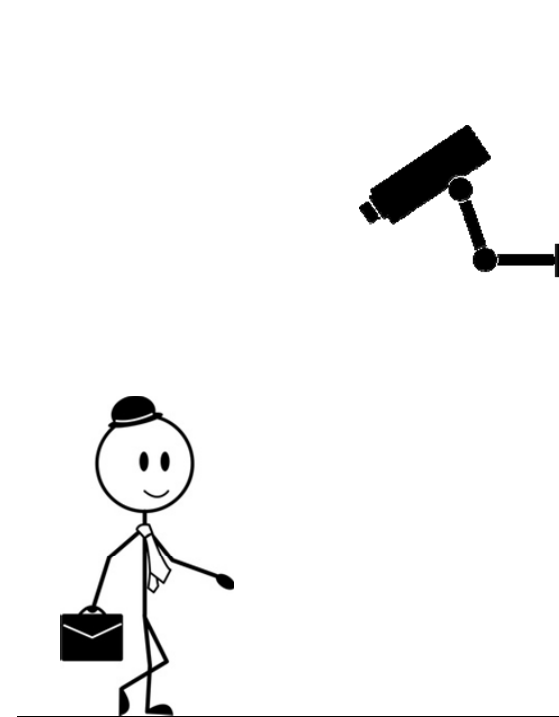


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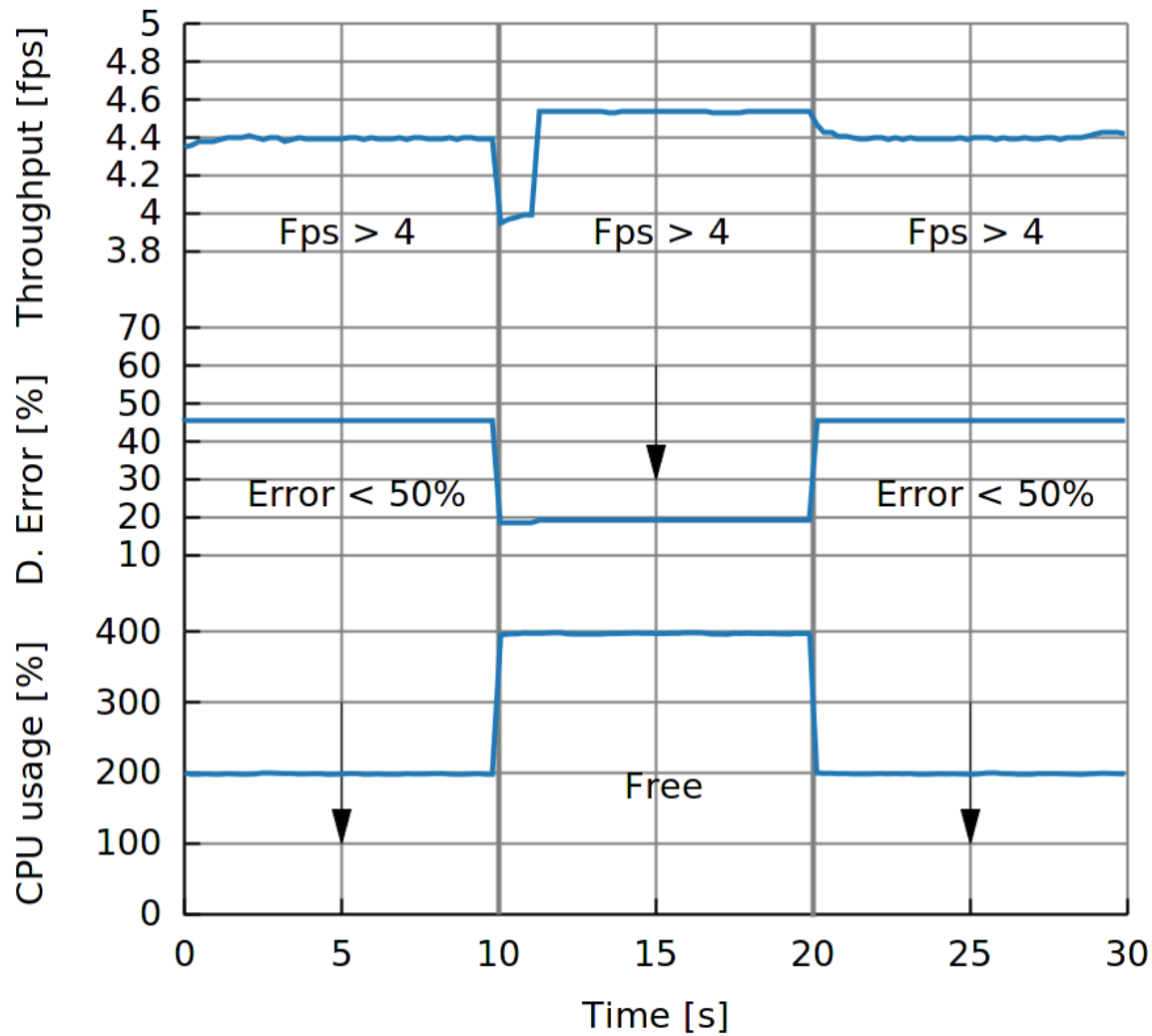


•Second phase:
Threat detected

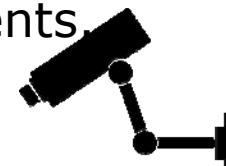


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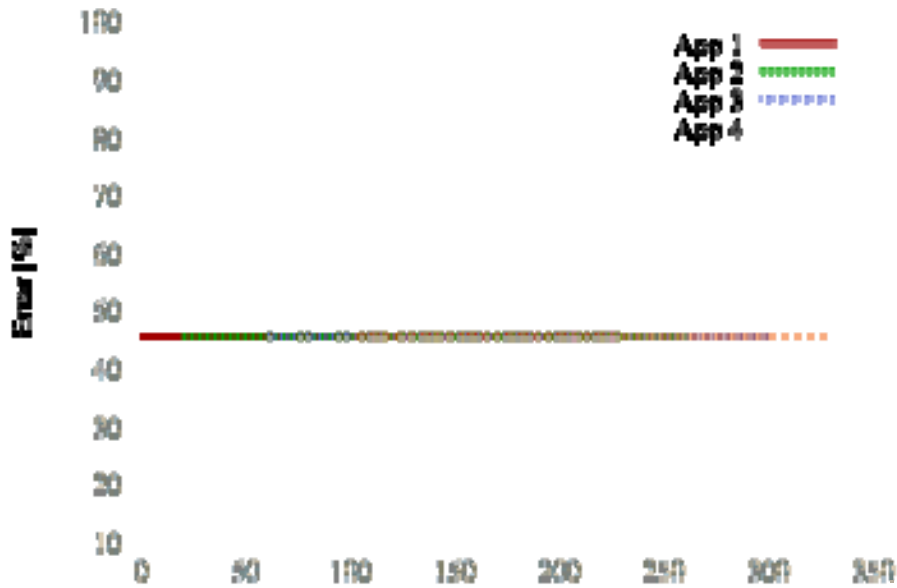
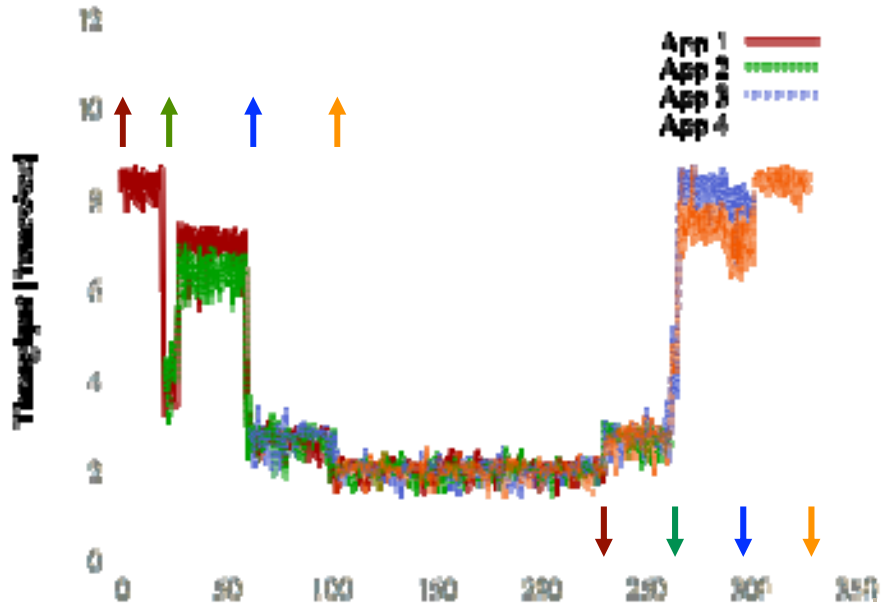


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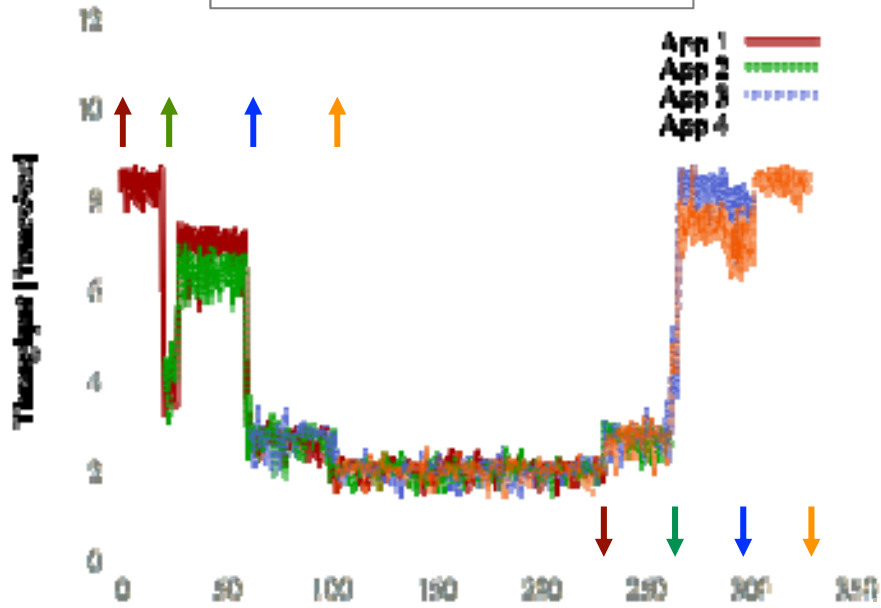


Multiple Application Dynamic Workload

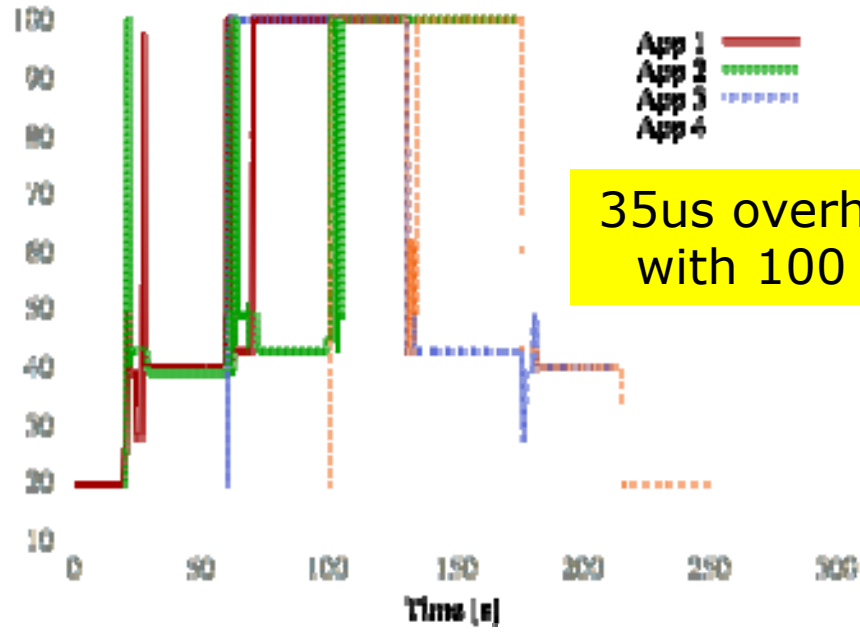
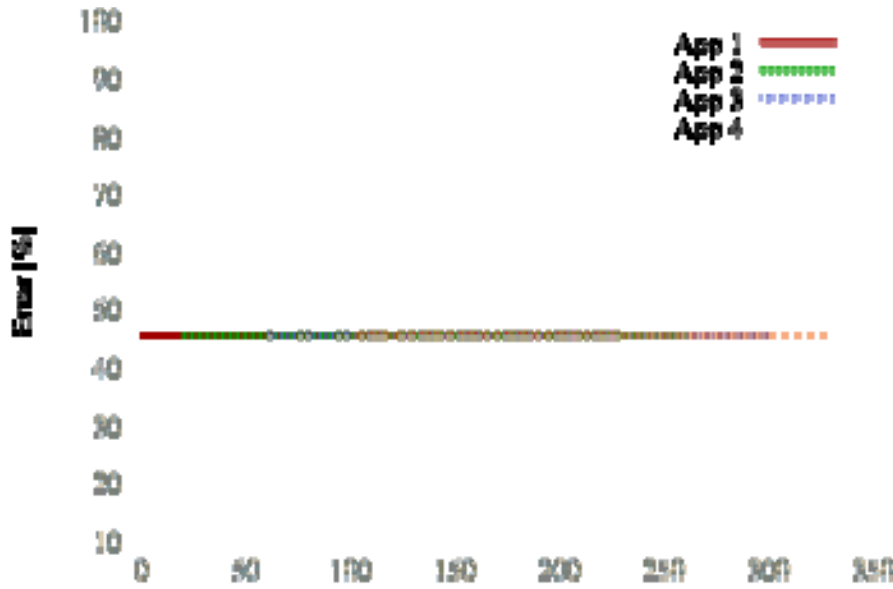
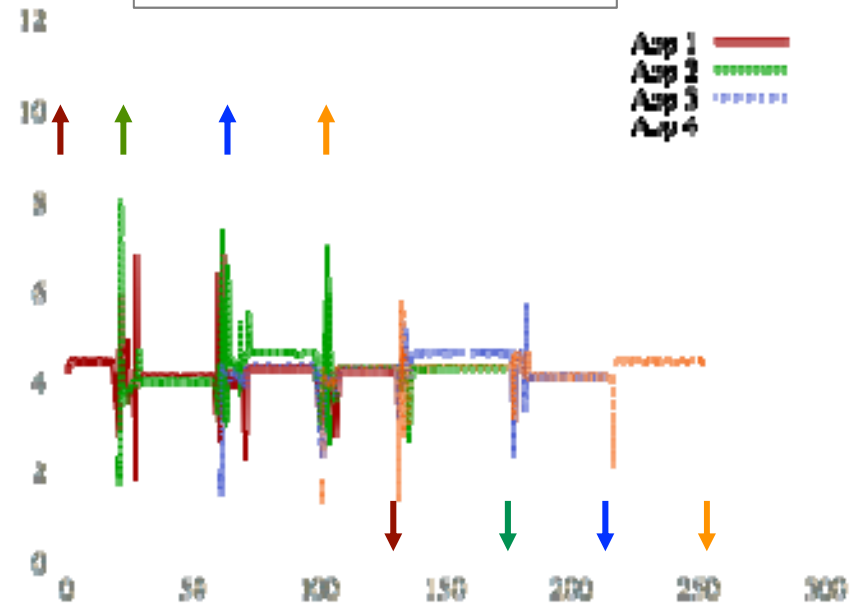
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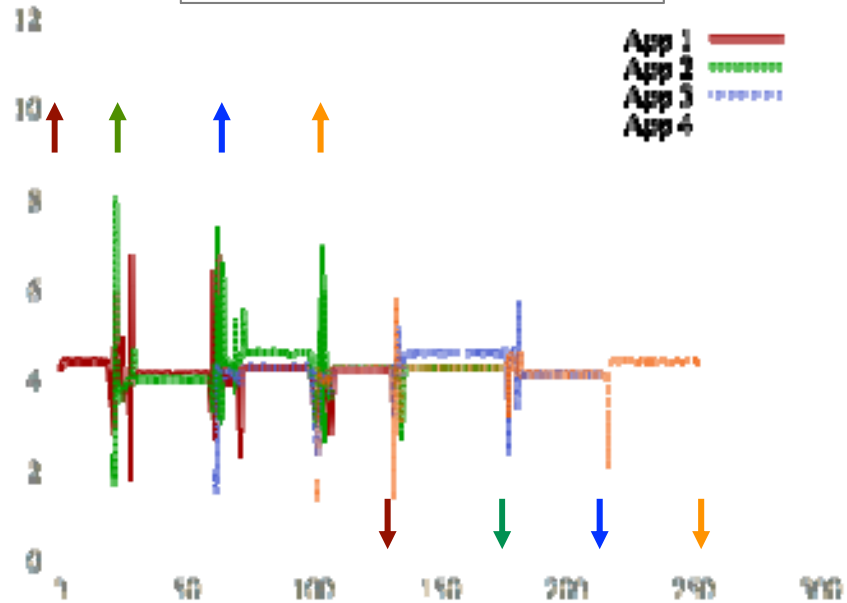
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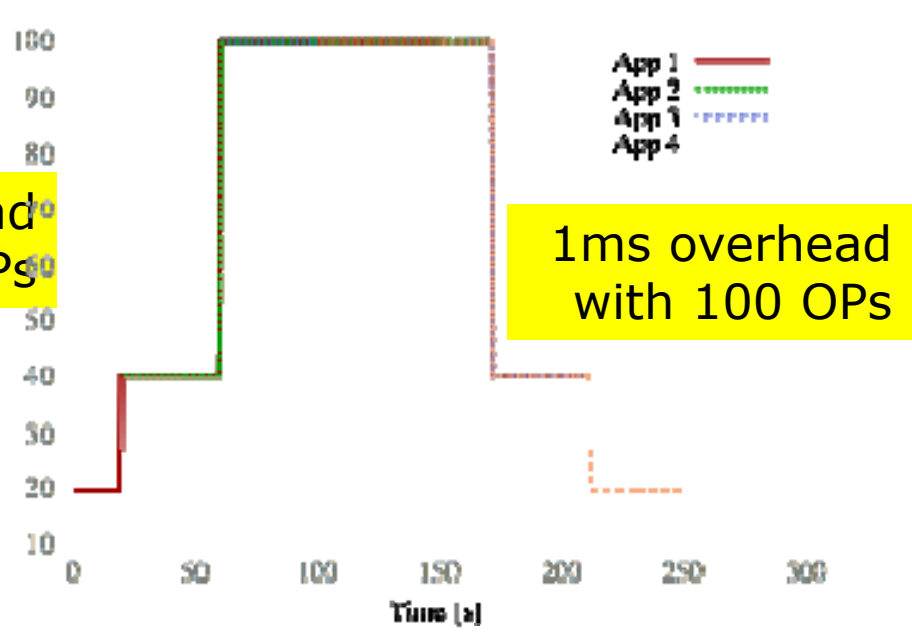
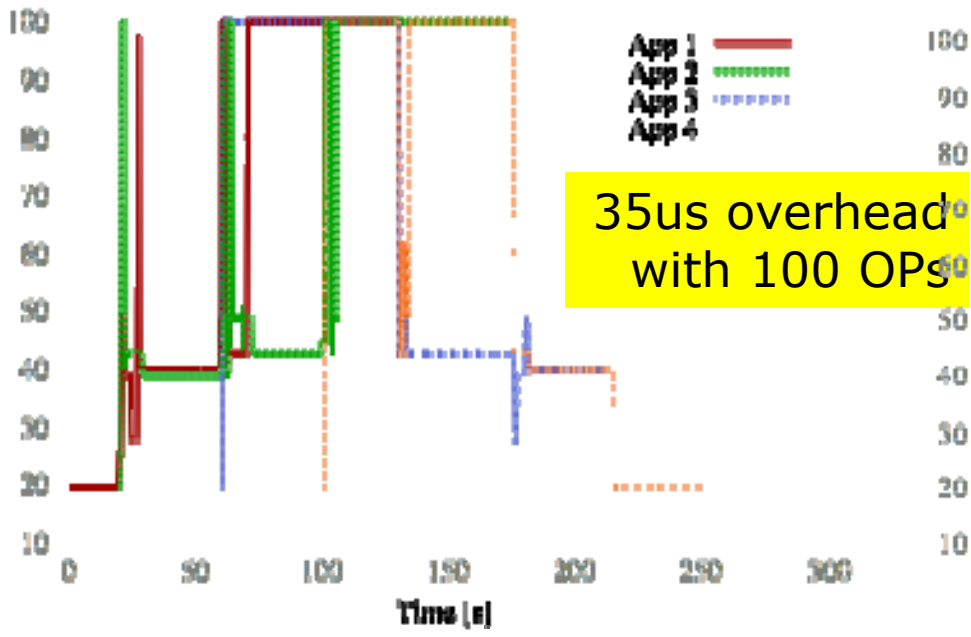
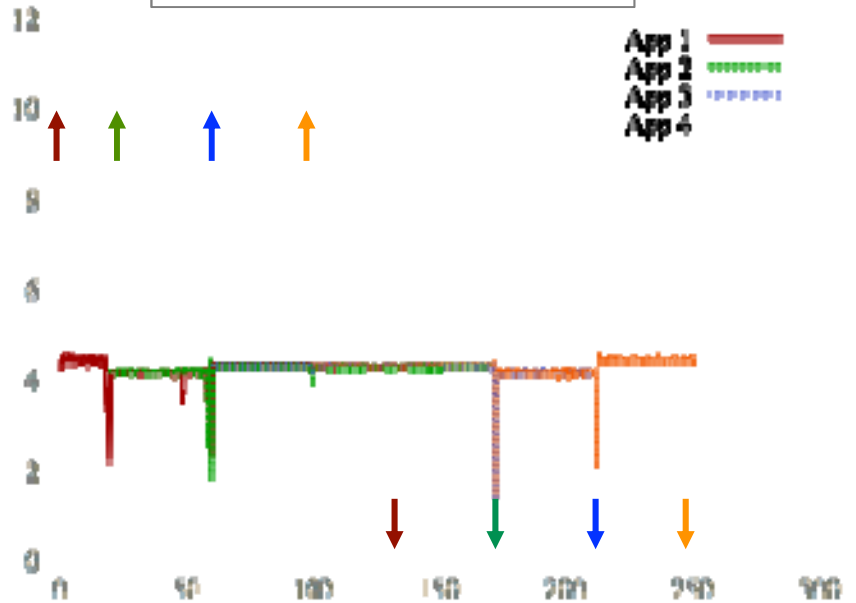
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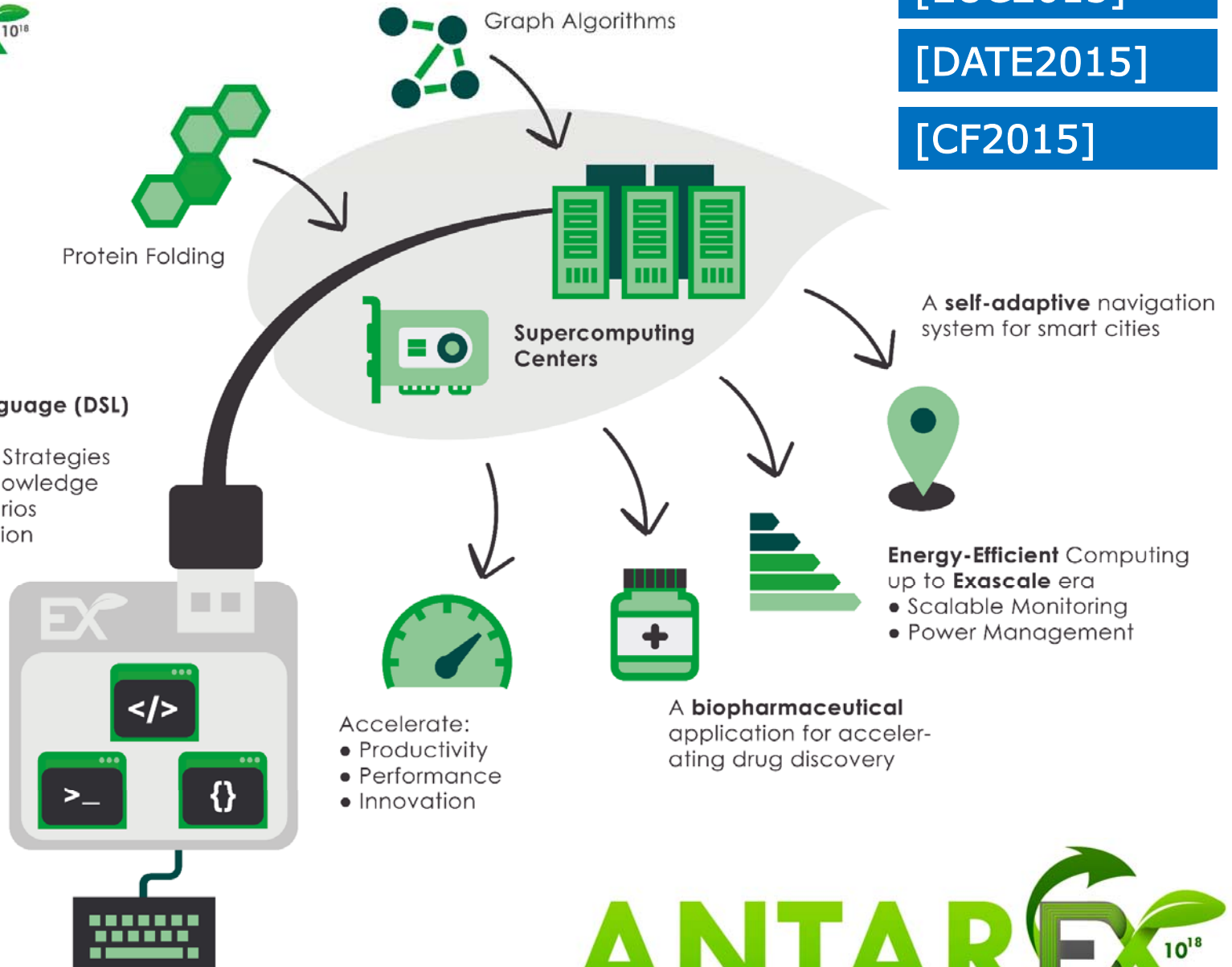
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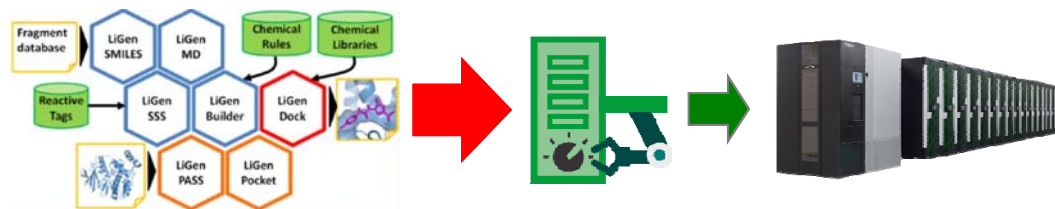
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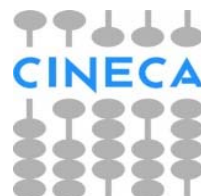
- Runtime Adaptivity Strategies
- Complementary Knowledge and Execution Scenarios
- Compiler Optimization Strategies

- Autotuning
- Performance Improvements
- Compiler Optimizations





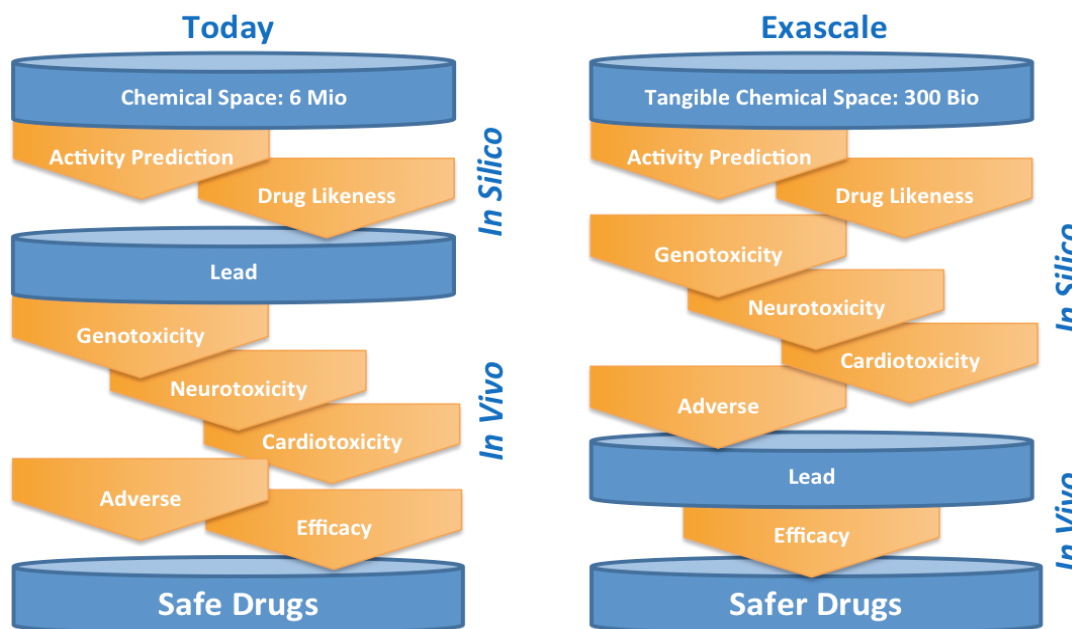
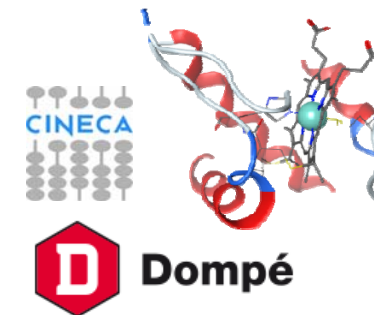
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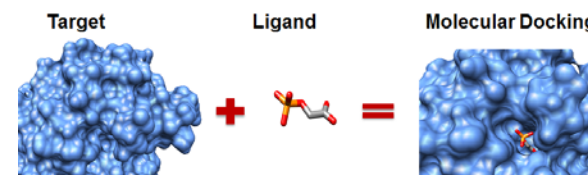
Use Case 1: HPC Accelerated Drug Discovery System

HPC Accelerated Drug Discovery System

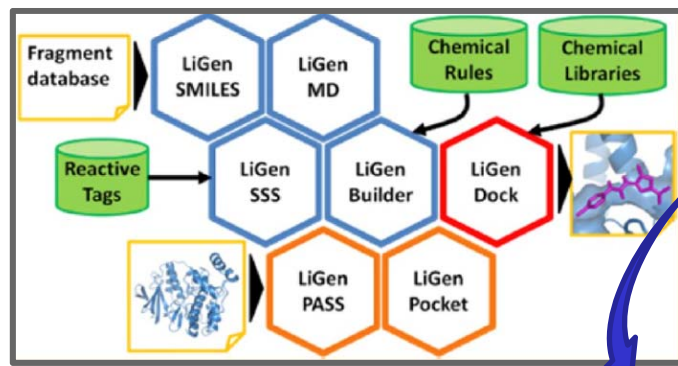
- Personalized Medicine will enable to *“treat the right patient with the right drug at the right dose at the right time.” [FDA]*



Need of HPC in Drug Discovery: HPC Molecular Simulations

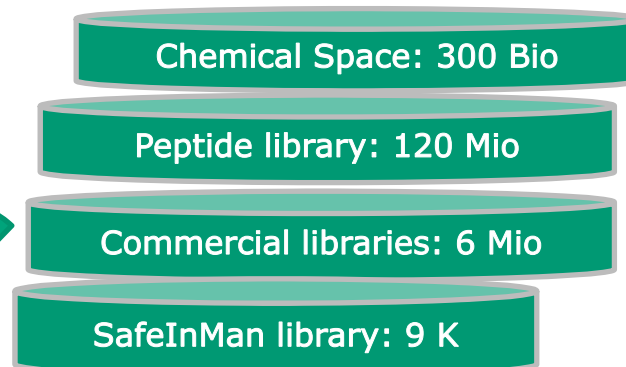


LiGen Application



Developing energy and resource efficient algorithms
Using self-functionalities to adapt and scale-out the application

LiGen: Exascale-ready HPC Application

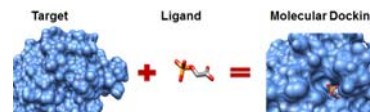


Exascale HPC Virtual Screening

Geometric Molecular Docking

□ **Molecular docking** is a method to calculate the preferred position and shape of one molecule w.r.t a second one when bound to each other

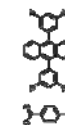
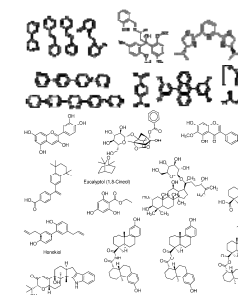
- **Geometric Docking**



- **Shape complementarity: Geometric matching search to find out compatible pairs and most suitable poses**

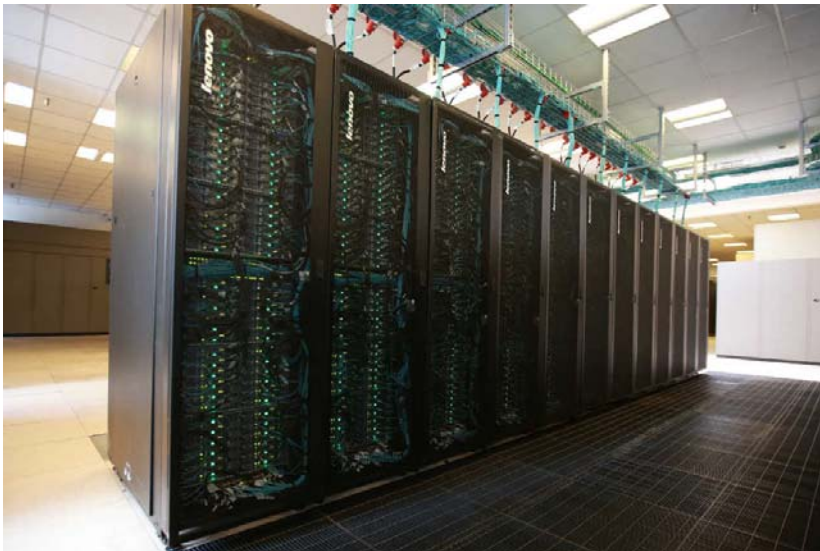
- **Pharmacophoric Docking**

- Molecular simulation: Exploration of a large energy landscape determined by chemical and physical interactions



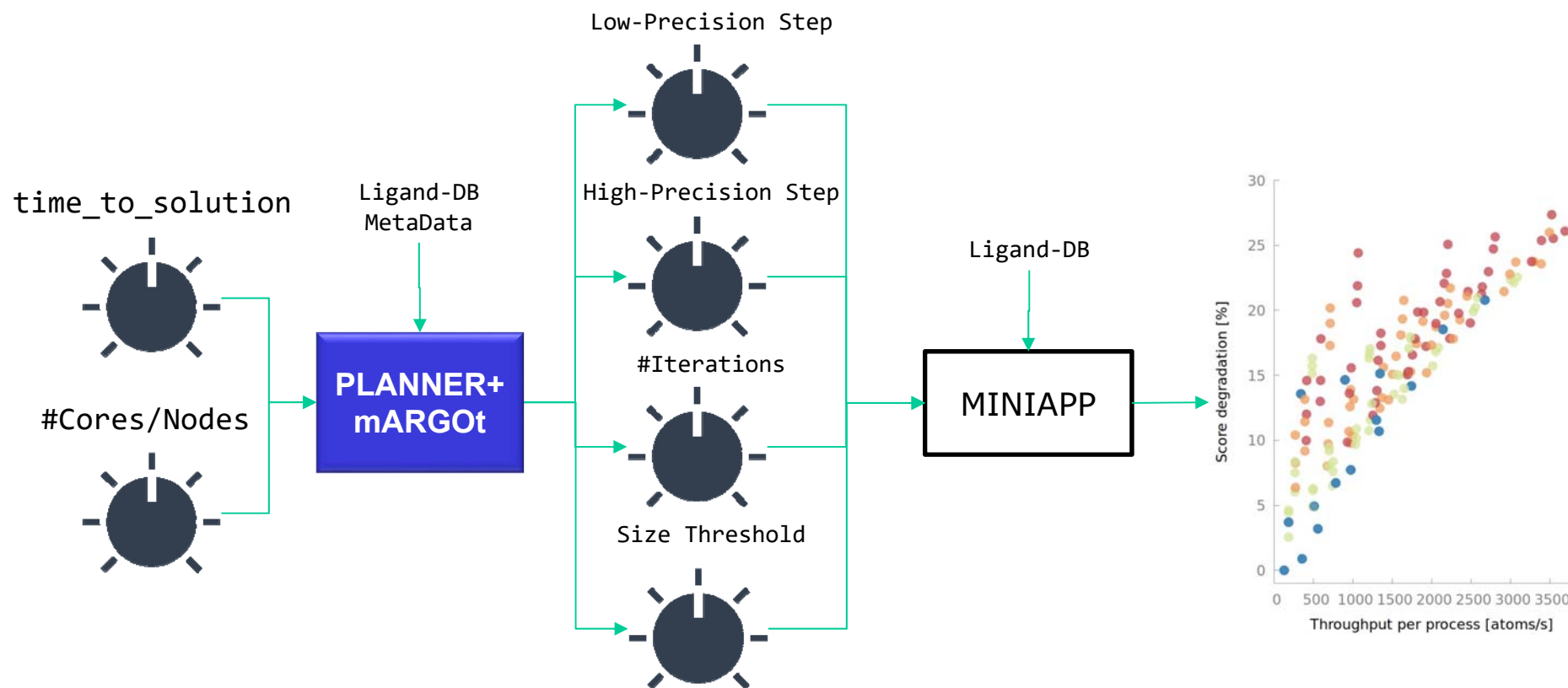
Marconi: the most powerful supercomputer in Italy

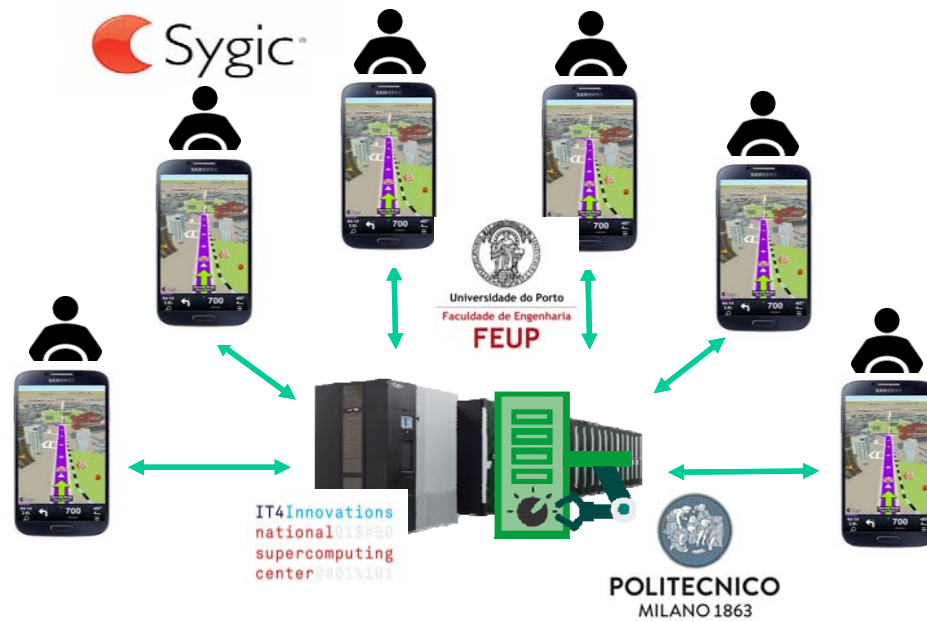
- No. 14 in Top500 and No. 4 in Europe: Marconi Intel Xeon Phi: 6.22 PetaFlops (Linpack performance) 10.83 PetaFlops (peak performance) with with 241,808 cores. Site: Casalecchio di Reno, BO



- Marconi is the Cineca's Tier-0 system, co-designed by Cineca and Lenovo based on the Lenovo NeXtScale platform and Intel® Xeon Phi™ product family alongside with Intel® Xeon® processor E5-2600 v4 product family.
- In Nov. 2017, this system is planned to reach a computational power of about 20Pflop/s with future generation Intel Xeon processors (Sky Lakes).

Autotuning with mARGOt





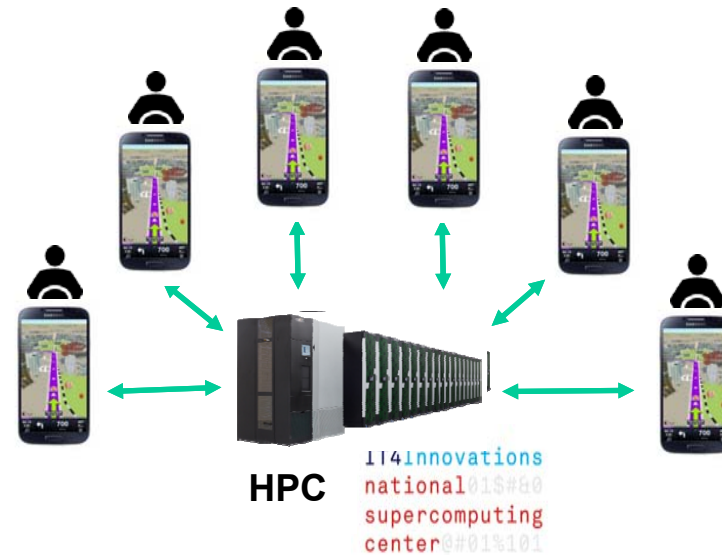
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Use Case 2: Self-adaptive Navigation System

Self-adaptive Navigation System



Sygic Company develops world`s most popular navigation application & provides professional navigation software for business solutions

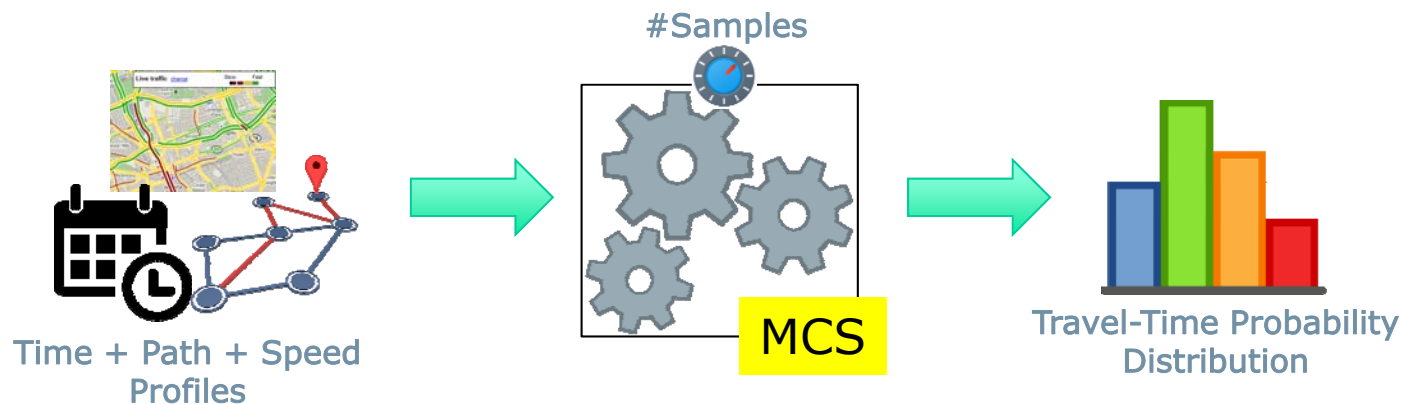


- ❑ Exploit synergies between client-side and server-side:
 - ▶ Many drivers – many routing requests to HPC system
 - ▶ Traffic status data sources
 - ▶ Continuous update of traffic flow calculation
 - ▶ **Smart City Challenge**

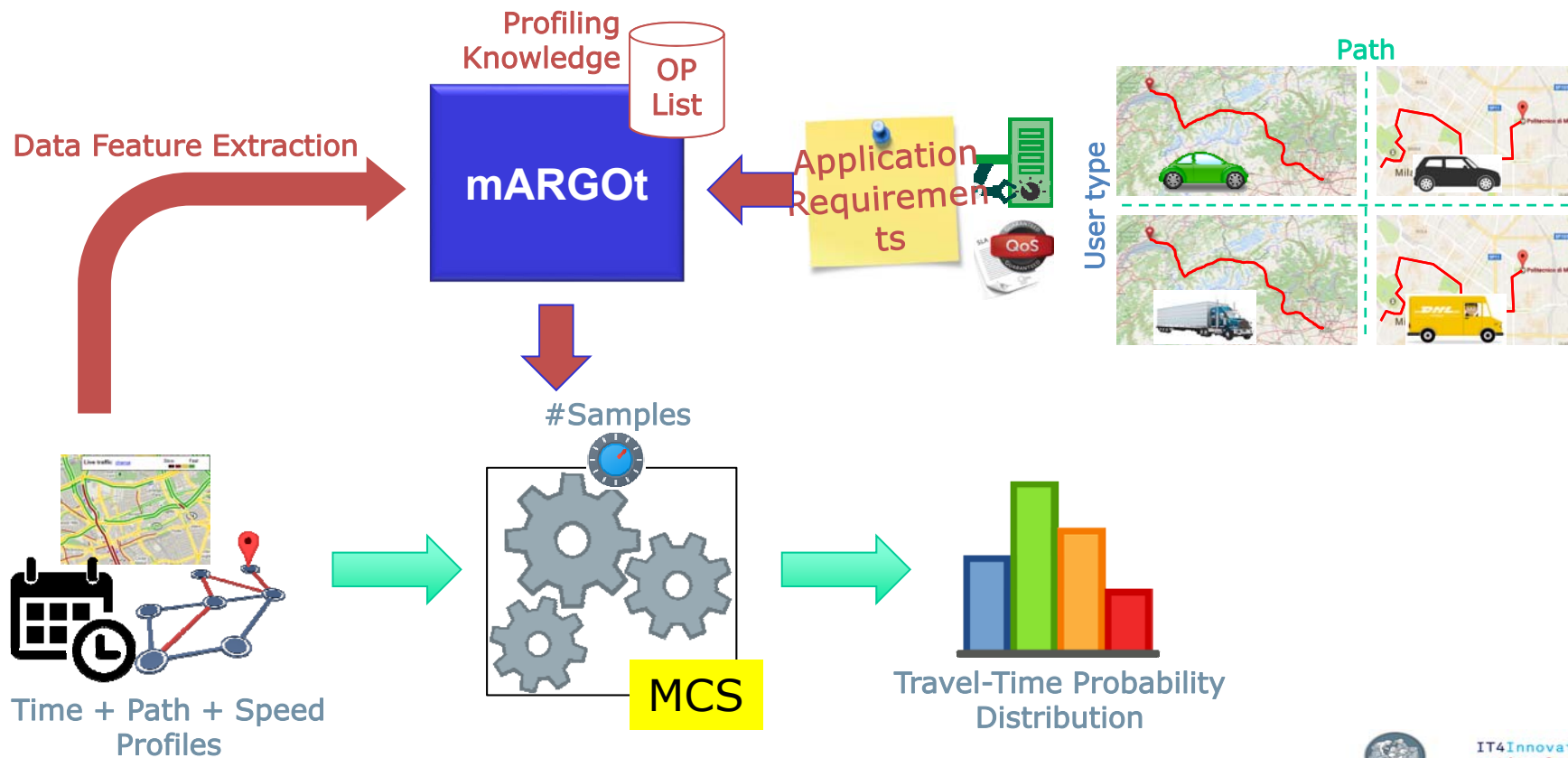


Probabilistic Time-dependent Routing

- ❑ What is the time-dependent routing part of a navigation system?
 - Module responsible for determining the *expected travel time*
 - In the client-server navigation infrastructure, the *server side* evaluate accurate travel time with updated traffic information
 - Based on *MonteCarlo Simulation (MCS)* over the *probabilistic speed profile* on each path segment



Autotuning with mARGOt (User & Data-aware)



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