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# The Self-Aware Data Center: From Vision to Reality

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# Dagstuhl-Seminar

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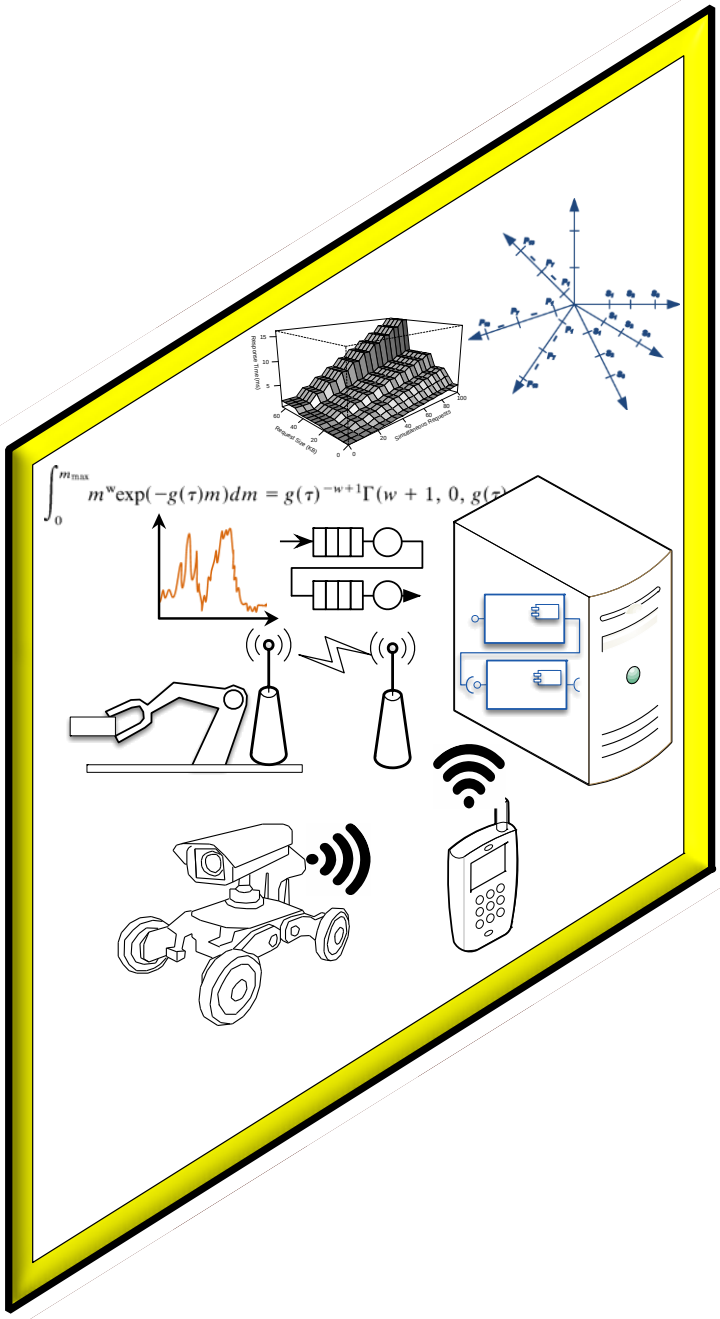
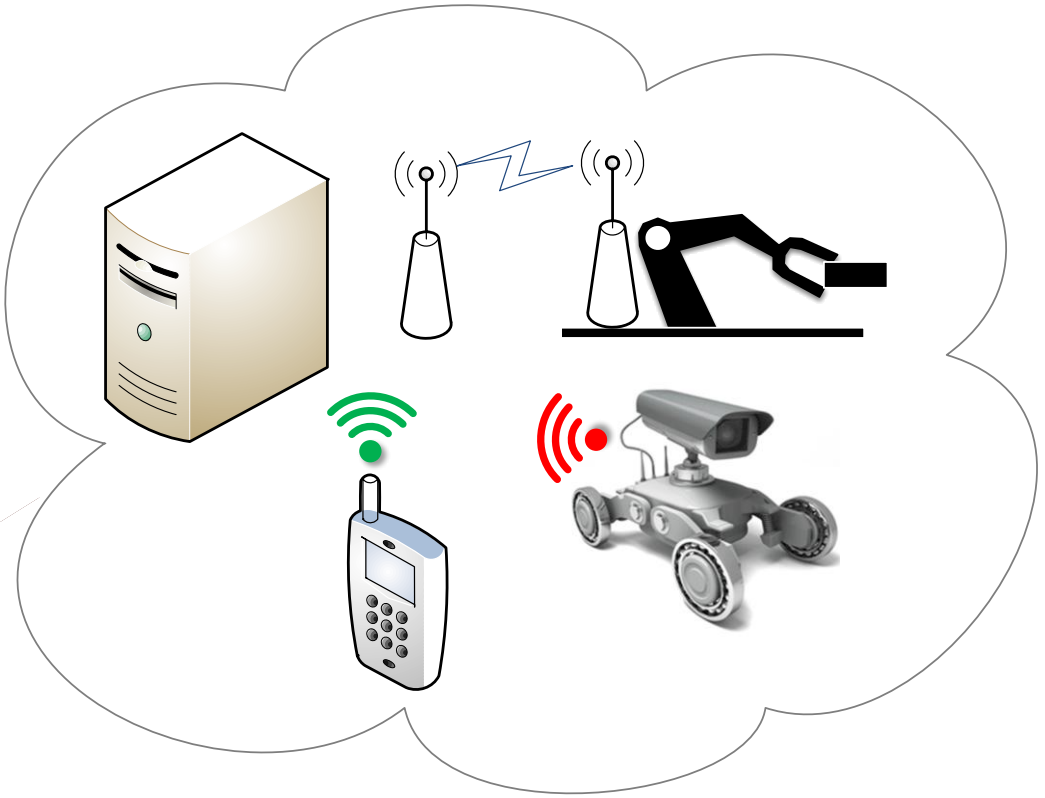
# The Vision

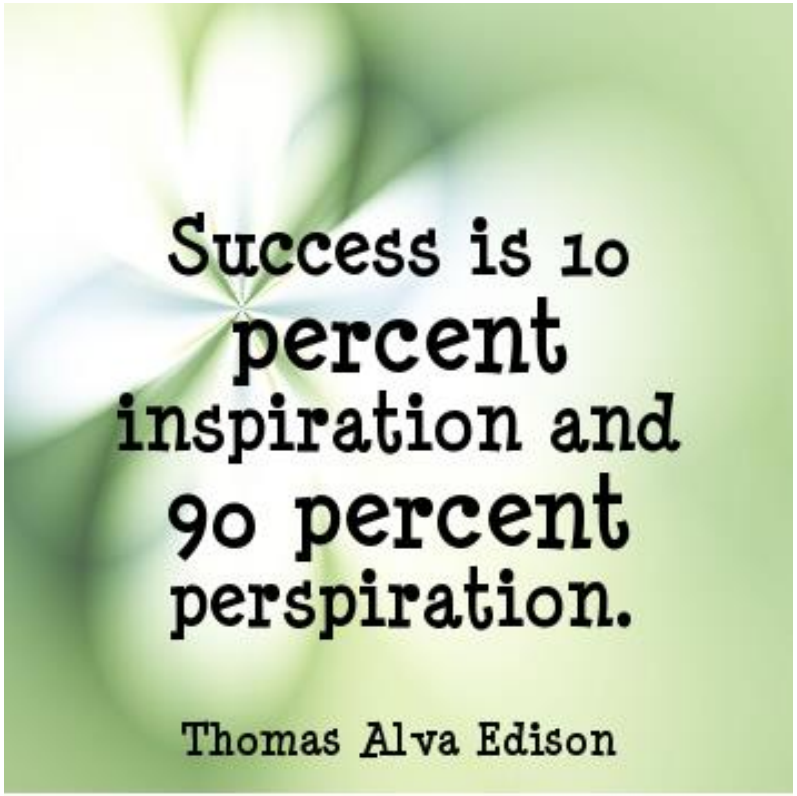




# Self-Aware Computing

# Inspiration vs. Perspiration

- "Wer Visionen hat, soll zum Arzt gehen."




Helmut Schmidt

„Mit Träumen beginnt die Realität."

Christoph Daum (1953*), Fußballspieler und -trainer

# Definition

**Self-aware Computing Systems** are computing systems that:

1. ***learn models*** capturing knowledge about themselves and their environment ***on an ongoing basis*** and

2. ***reason*** using the models enabling them to ***act*** based on their knowledge and reasoning

in accordance with ***higher-level goals***, which may also be subject to change.

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# Extended Definition

**Self-aware Computing Systems** are computing systems that:

1. ***learn models*** capturing ***knowledge*** about themselves and their environment (such as their structure, design, state, possible actions, and run-time behavior)
   on an ongoing basis and

2. ***reason*** using the models (for example predict, analyze, consider, plan) enabling them to ***act*** based on their knowledge and reasoning (for example explore, explain, report, suggest, self-adapt, or impact their environment)

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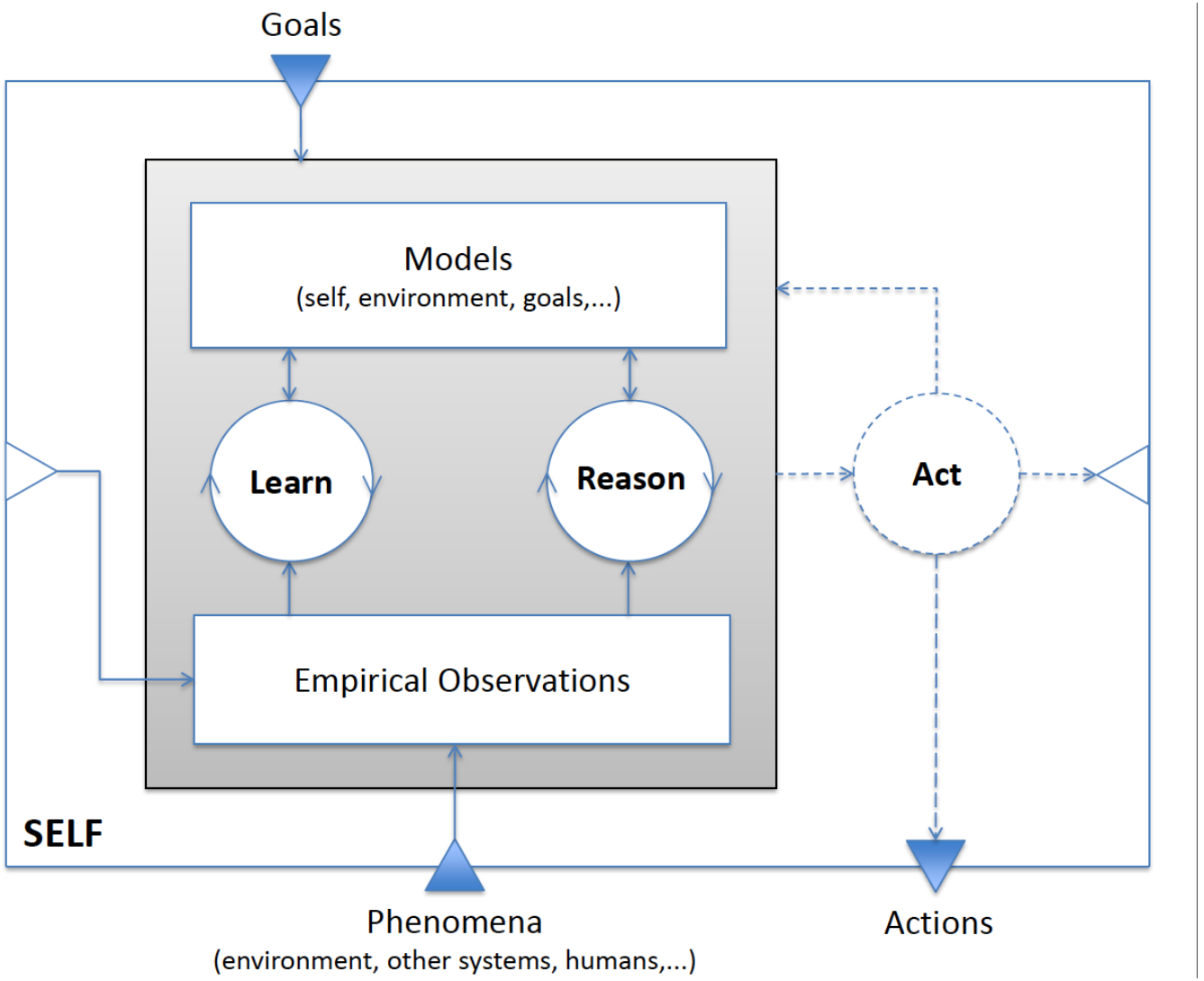
# Self-Aware Learning & Reasoning Loop



# Models in Software Engineering

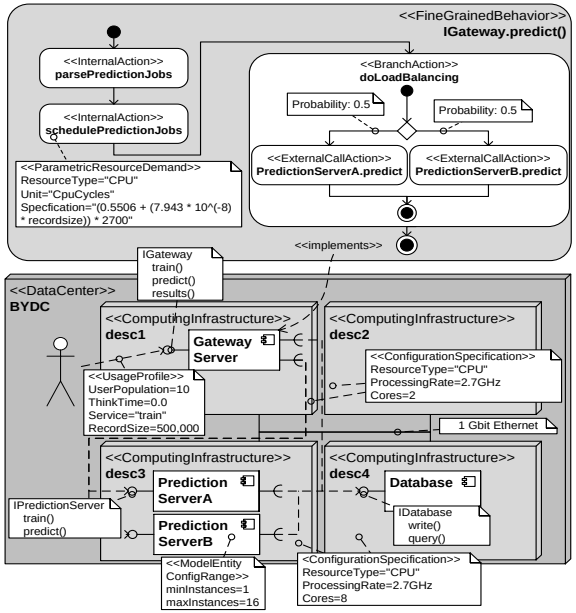
## Descriptive Models

- Capture relevant knowledge about the system and the environment in which it is running
- Describe selected aspects that have influence on the goal fulfilment

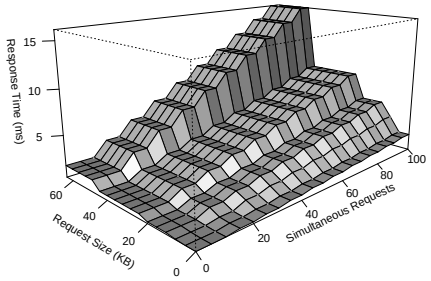
## (Predictive) Analysis Models

- Allow to reason about the system behavior
- Predict the impact of changes on the goal fulfilment

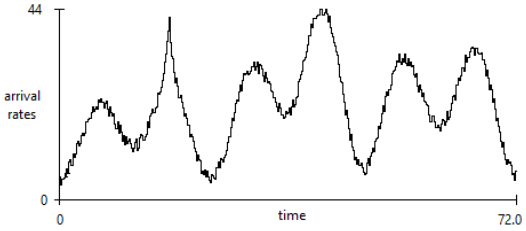
# Examples of Models



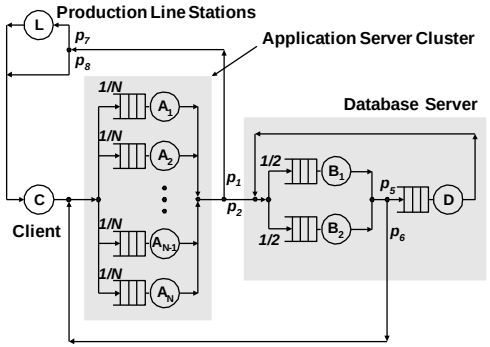

Descriptive MOF-based models



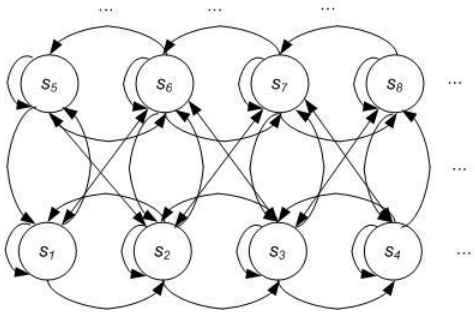

Statistical regression models



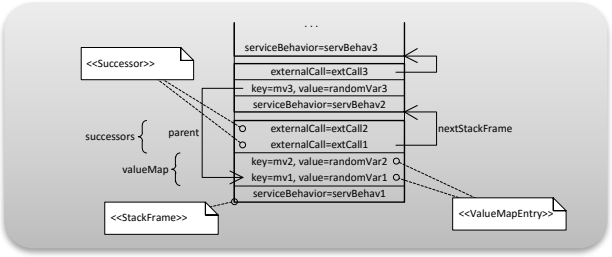

Load forecasting models




Queueing network models




Markov models




Simulation models

$$R \geq \max\left[ N \times \max\{D_i\}, \sum_{i=1}^{K} D_i \right] \qquad X_0 \leq \min\left[ \frac{1}{\max\{D_i\}}, \frac{N}{\sum_{i=1}^{K} D_i} \right]$$

$$\frac{N}{\max\{D_i\}[K+N-1]} \leq X_0 \leq \frac{N}{avg\{D_i\}[K+N-1]}$$

Analytical analysis models

# New Book

- **„Self-Aware Computing Systems“**

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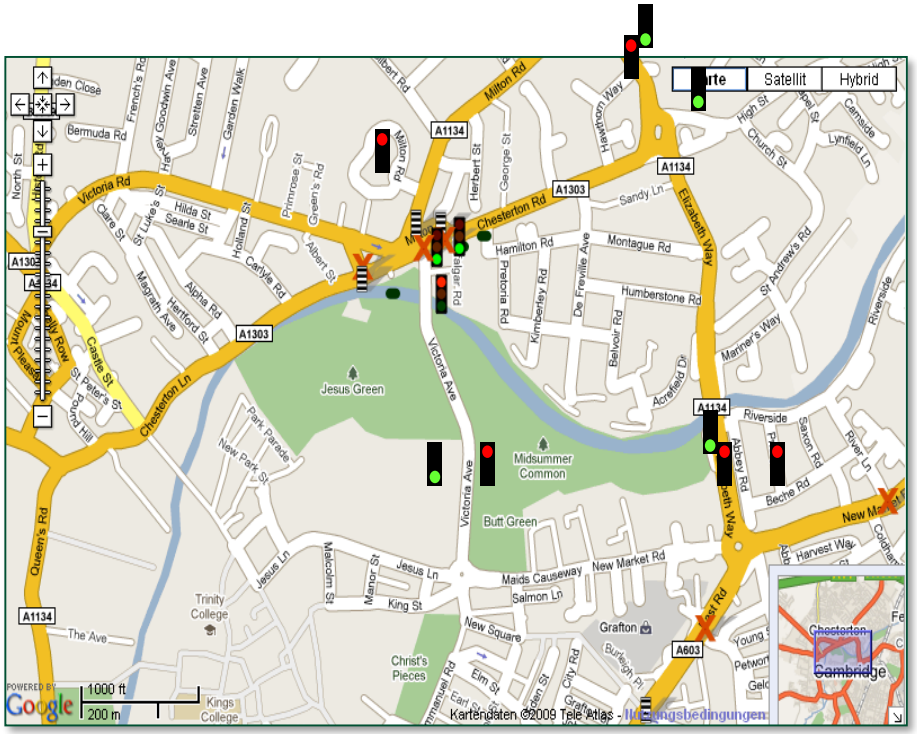
# Motivating Example

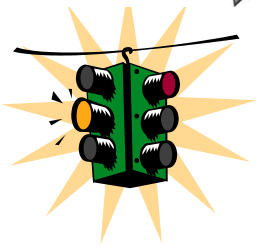
Traffic Monitoring System




Induction Loops

GPS Sensors

Traffic Cameras



Traffic Light Status

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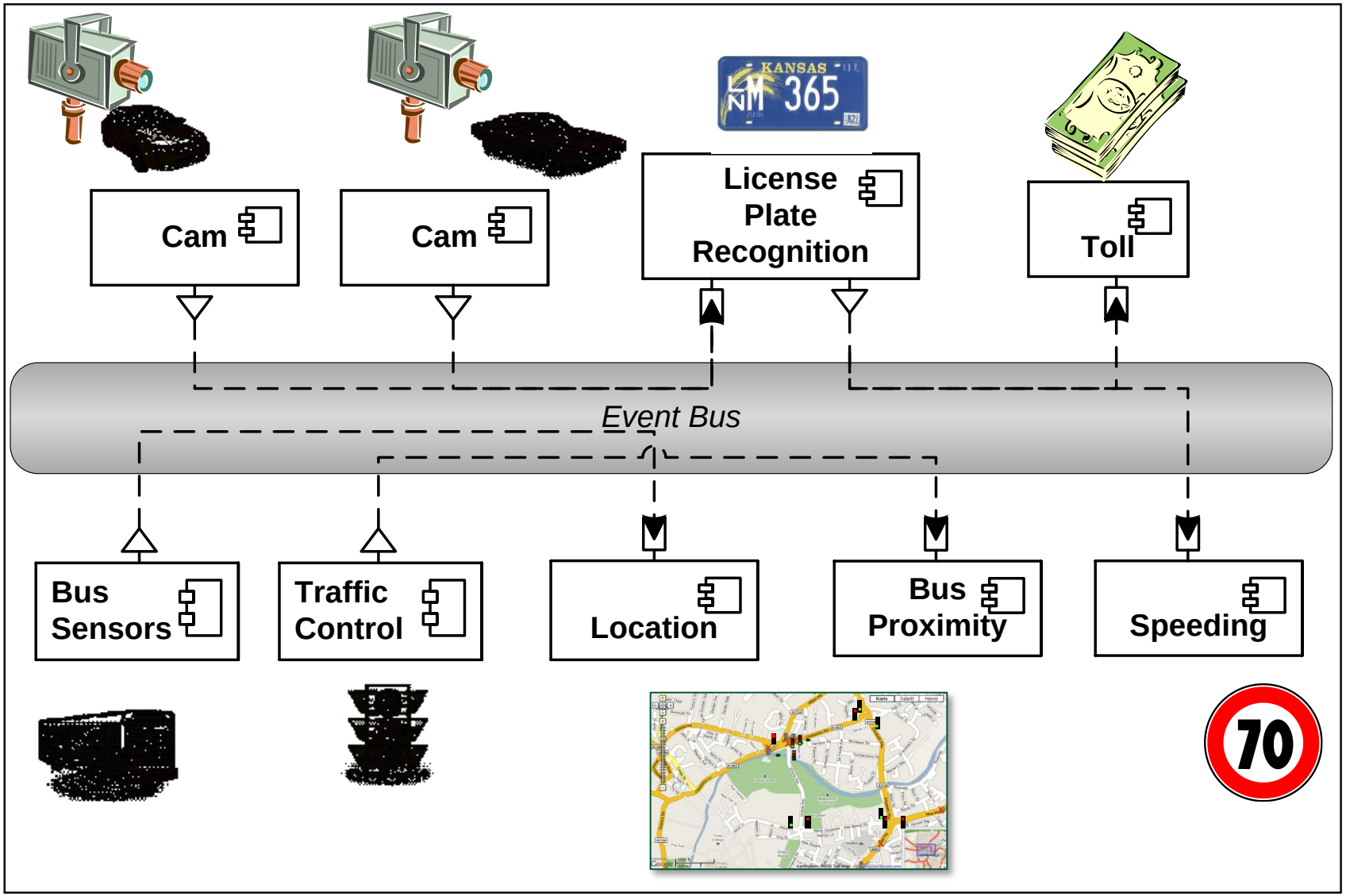
*http://www.cl.cam.ac.uk/research/time/*

# Ex 1: Traffic Monitoring System



# Ex 2: Inventory Management System

RFID Scanner

Cashdesk Service

Source *UpdateStockData*

Source *UpdateStockData*

Event Bus

Sink *UpdateStockData*

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Order Managment Service

Inventory Management Service

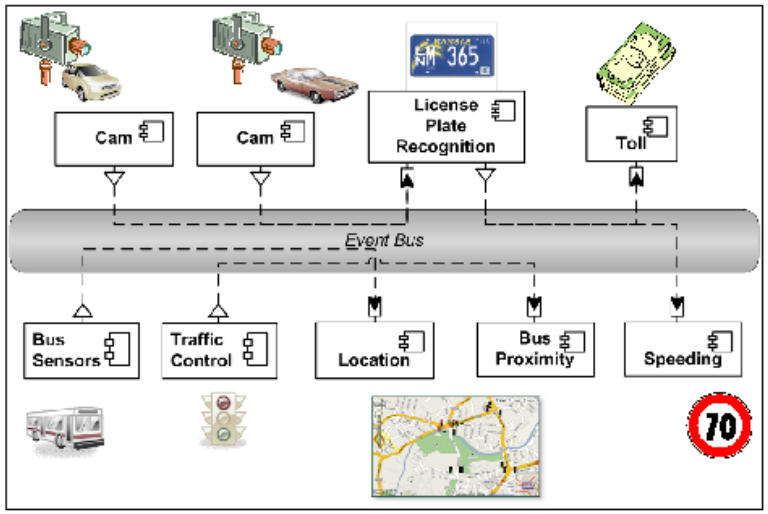
Logging Service

Prov. Interface *CreateOrder*

Req Interface *CreateOrder*

# Increasing Complexity & Dynamics

Traffic Monitoring System

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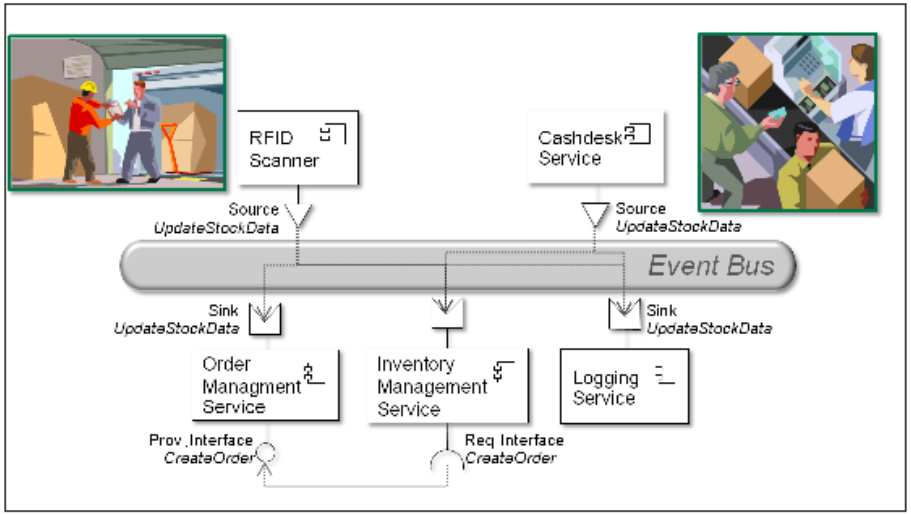


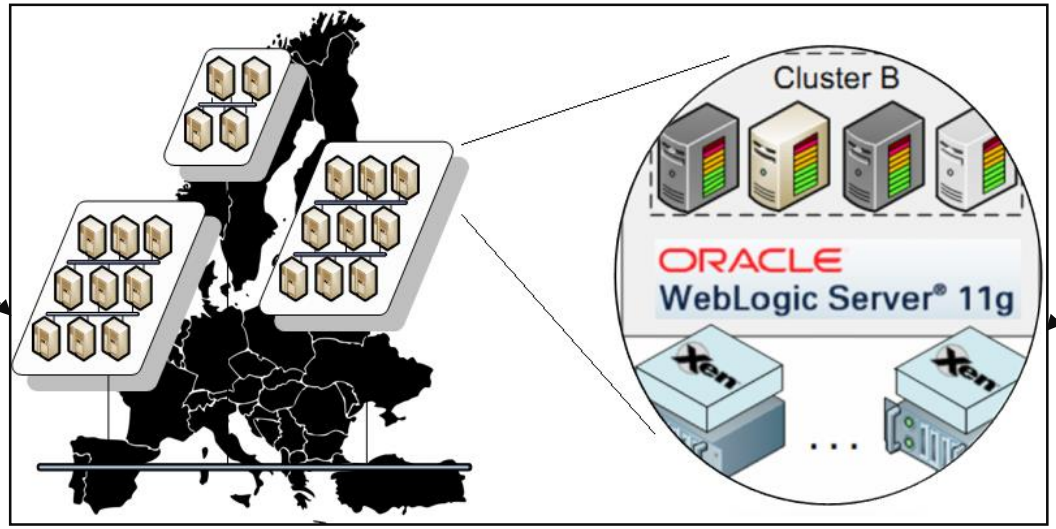

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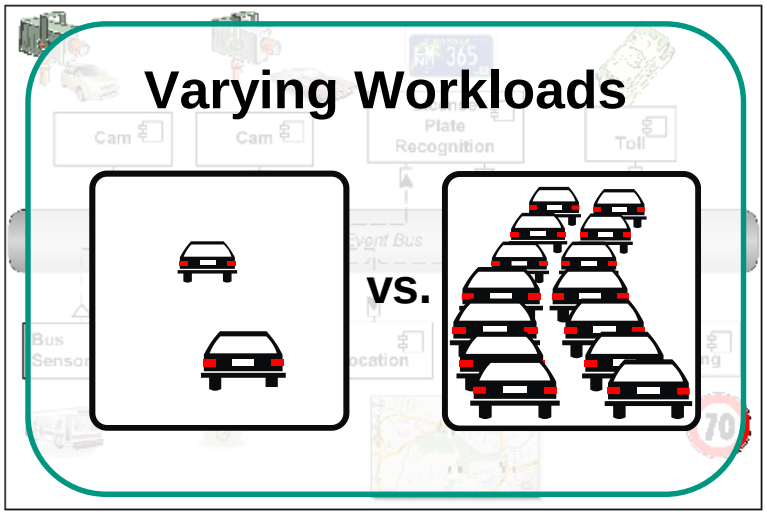


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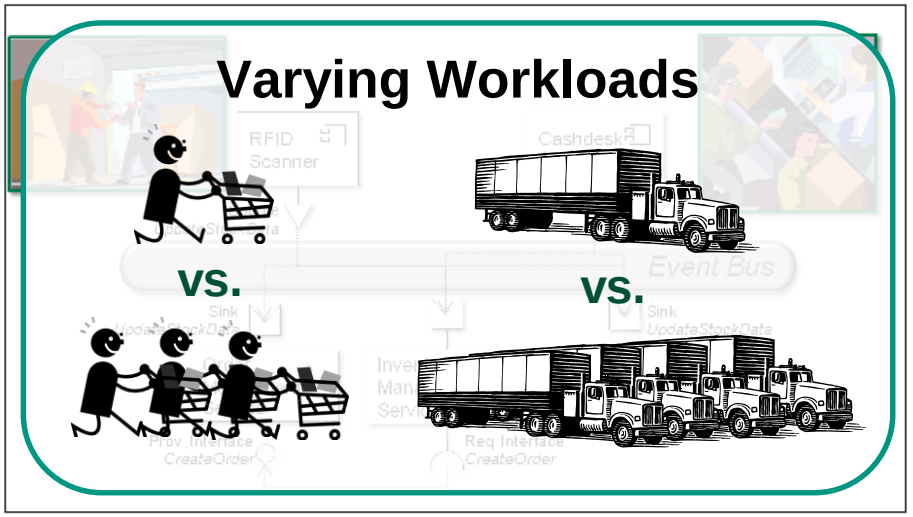
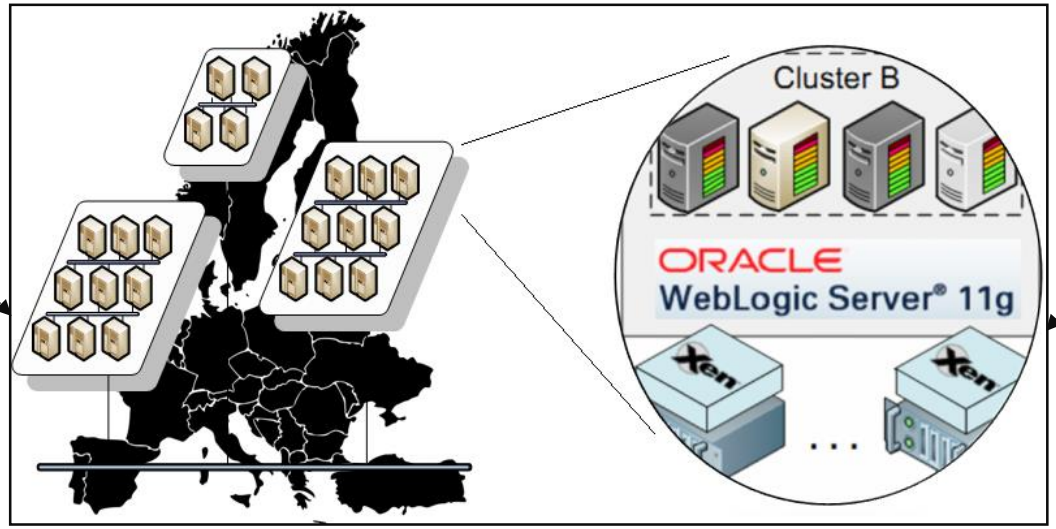


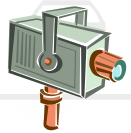



# Increasing Complexity & Dynamics

Traffic Monitoring System

**System Evolution**

- New streets / bus lines
- New features and services
- Upgraded cameras

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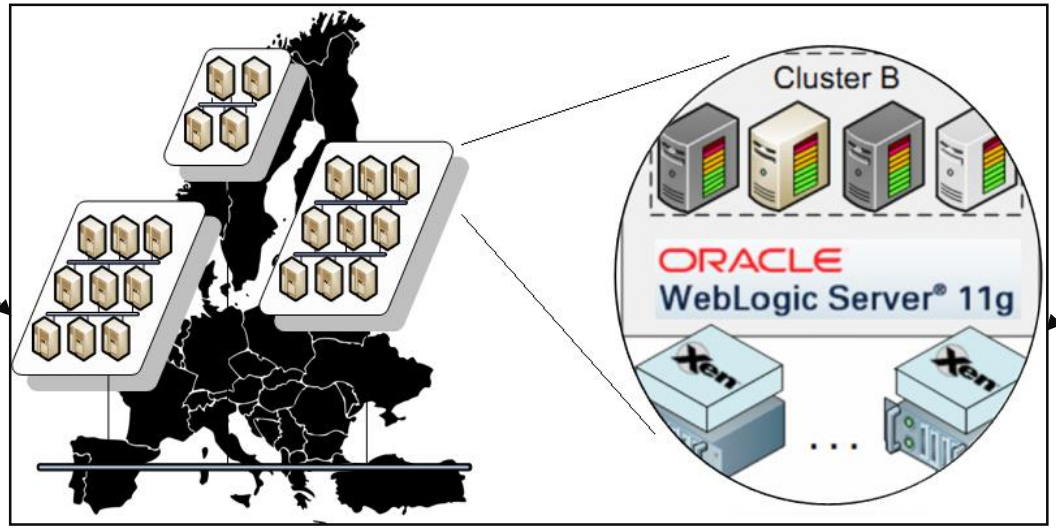

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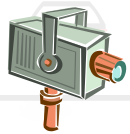
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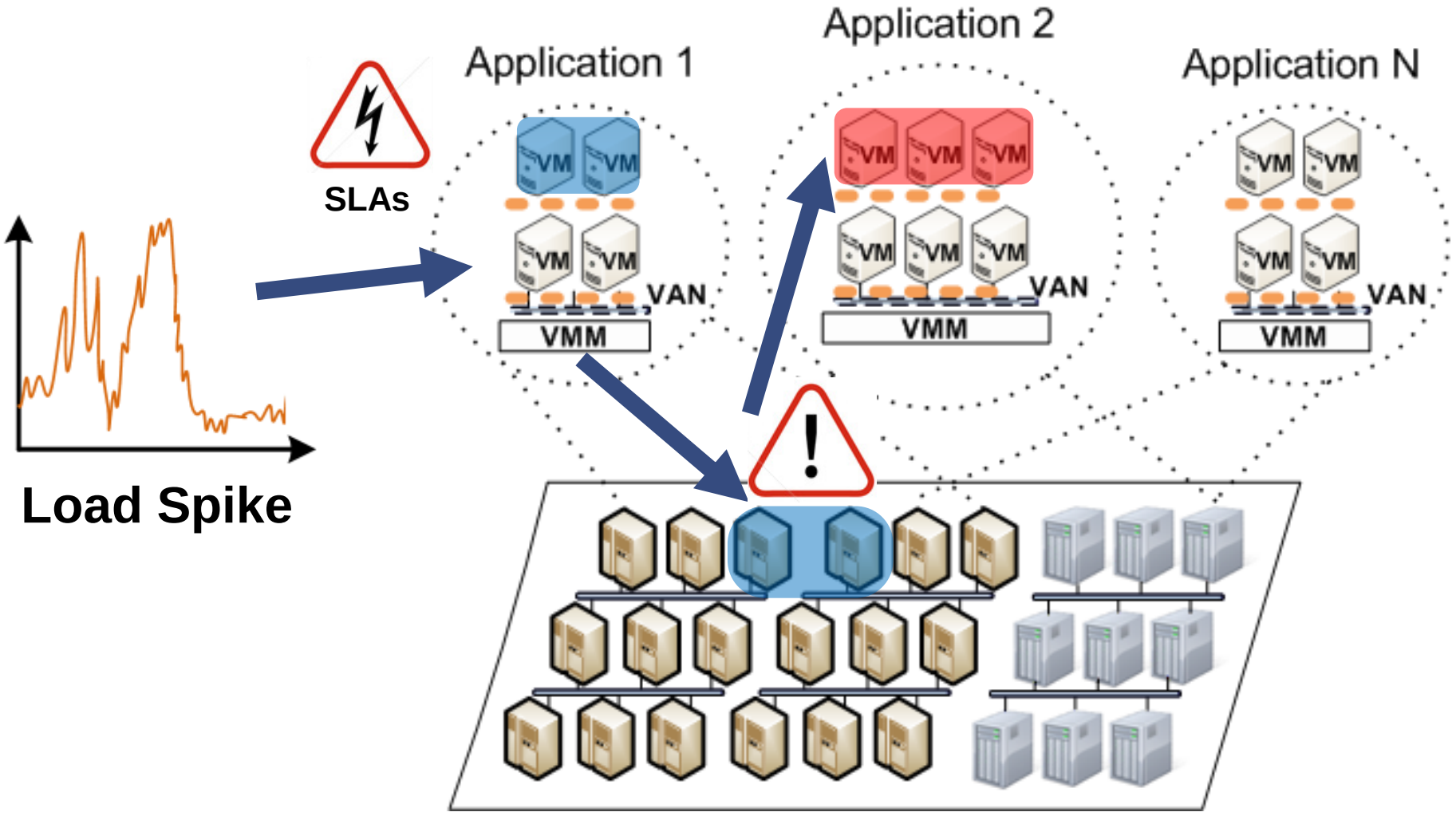
- Software systems increasingly **complex** and **dynamic**
- Must be **reconfigured at run-time** more and more frequently
  - Component instances, application configuration
  - Deployment topology, resource allocations
- Two issues:
  - Determine **WHEN** exactly reconfigurations are necessary?
  - Determine **WHAT** exactly each reconfiguration should do?

# Challenges: Availability & Performance



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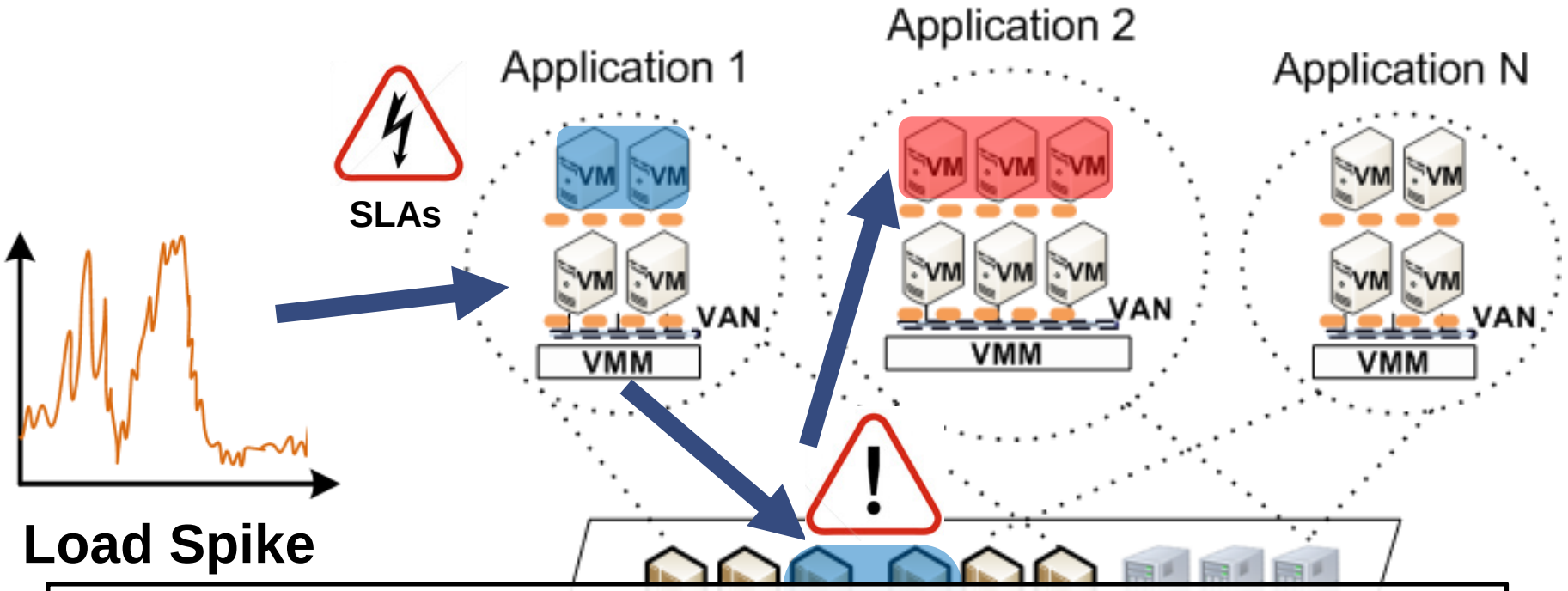



**Elastic (auto)-scaling of resources at run-time**

- How can one predict the load spike?
- When exactly should a reconfiguration (scaling) be triggered?
- Which particular resources should be scaled?
- How quickly and at what granularity?

# Herbst 2015: Überlastung im Rechenzentrum der Sparkassen

- Herbst 2015: 94 Sparkassen „erleiden einen Schlaganfall„
- Auslöser: „eine Überlastung in den Datenautobahnen des Rechenzentrumsbetreibers“

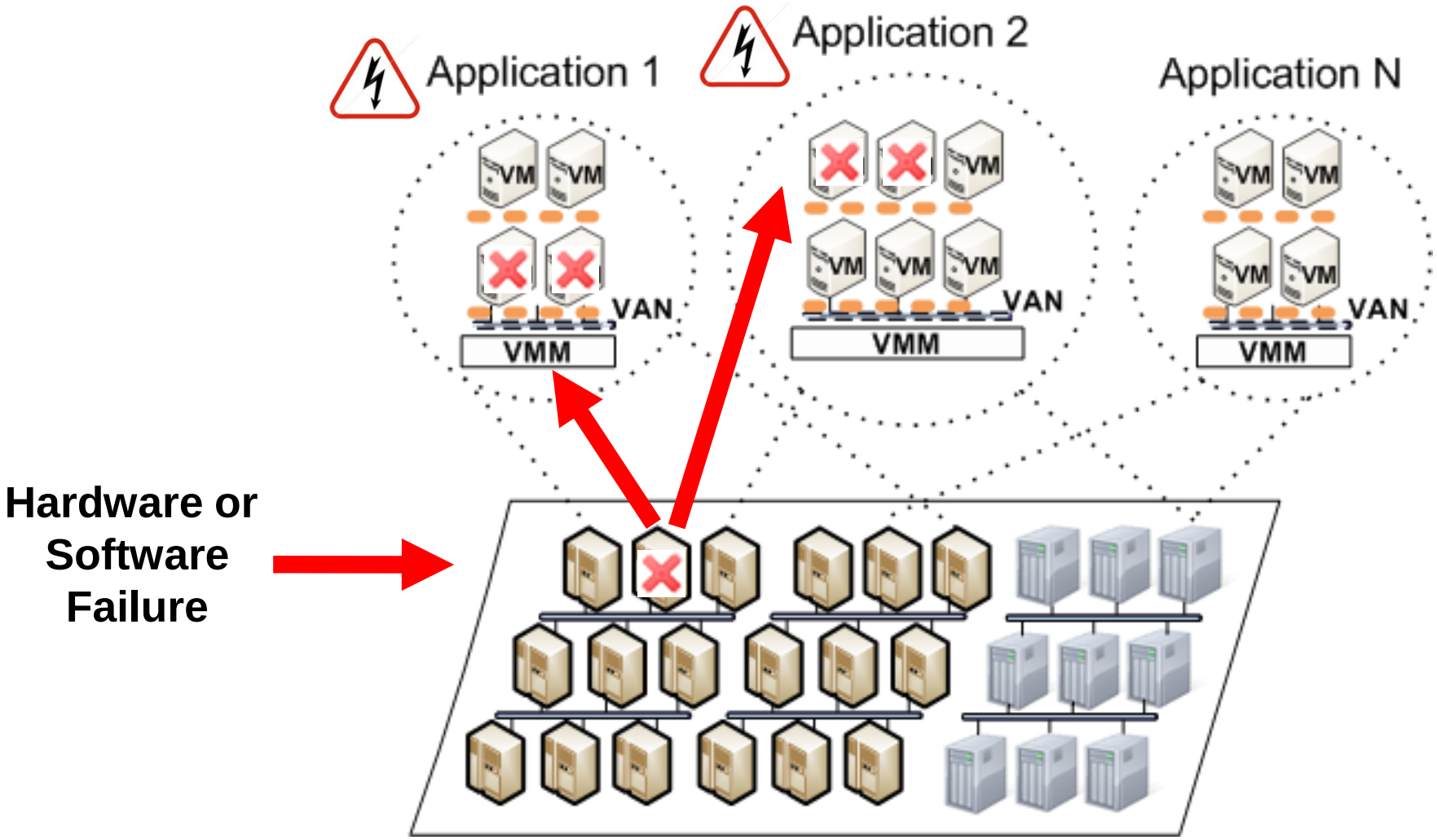
Sparkasse

Frankfurter Allgemeine

9. Juni 2016: Software-Panne: Kunden leiden unter IT-Schwäche der Banken

[http://www.faz.net/aktuell/finanzen/meine-finanzen/sparen-und-geld-anlegen/kunden-leiden-unter-it-schwaeche-der-banken-14276587.html]

# Challenges: Reliability



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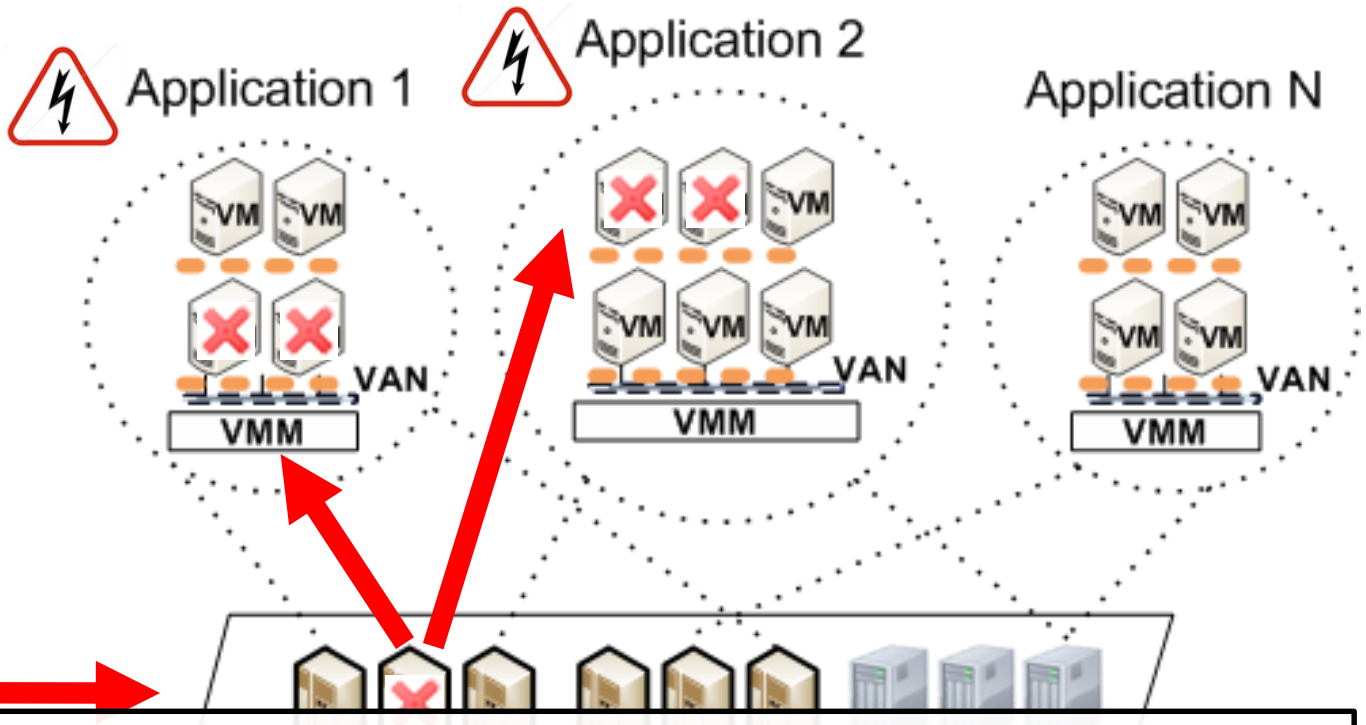


- How can one predict and prevent failures?
- When exactly should a reconfiguration be triggered?
- Which system components / services should be restarted?

# Software-Panne bei der Deutschen Bank

- 60.000 Kunden können plötzlich ihre EC-Karte nicht mehr benutzen
- Bei **2,9 Millionen Konten** → Umsätze falsch angezeigt!
- Zahlreiche doppelte Buchungen
- ...


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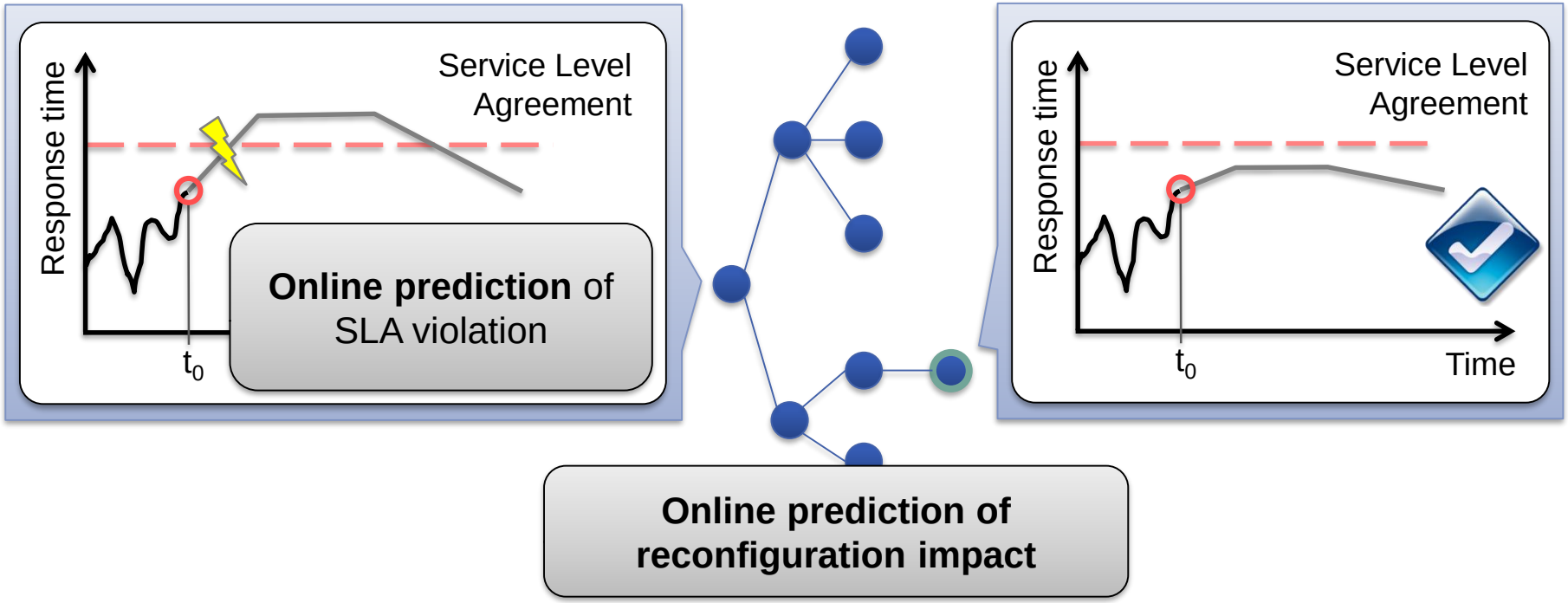
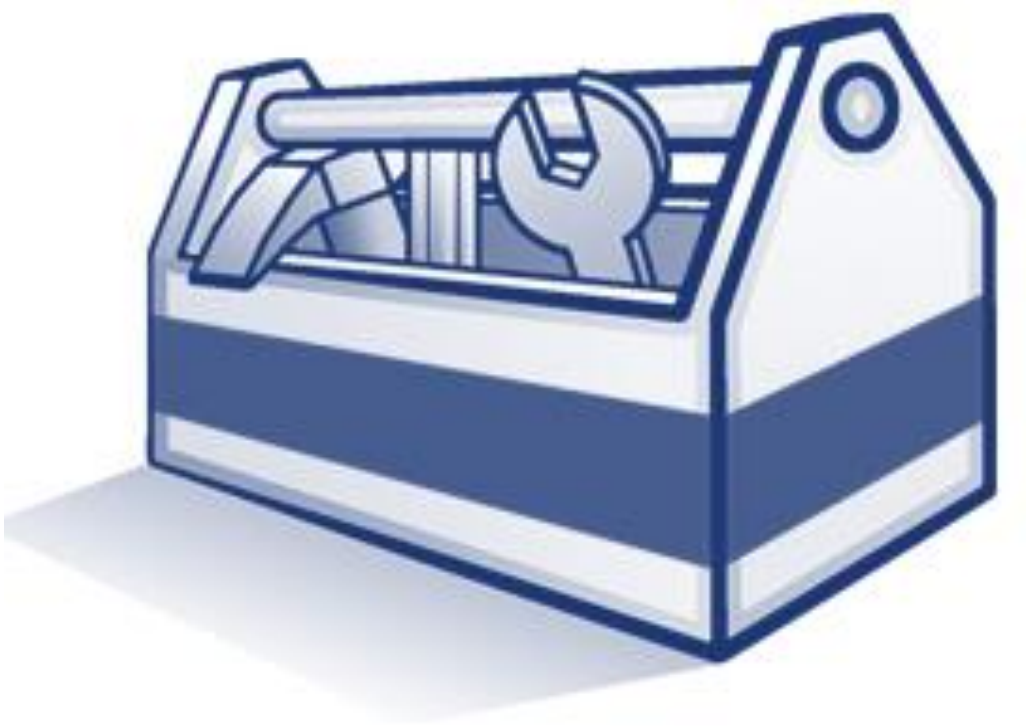



→ **Example Scenario for Self-Aware Computing** (more later)

# Descartes Tool Chain



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# Selected Tools

- **DML** – Descartes Modeling Language (homepage, publications)
- **DML Bench** (homepage, publications)
- **DQL** – Declarative performance query language (homepage, publications)
- **LibReDE** - Library for resource demand estimation (homepage, publications)
- **LIMBO** – Load intensity modeling tool (homepage, publications)
- **WCF** – Workload classification & forecasting tool (homepage, publications)
- **BUNGEE** – Elasticity benchmarking framework (homepage, publications)
- **hInjector** – Security benchmarking tool (homepage, publications)
- Queueing Petri Net Modeling Environment (QPME)
- **Further relevant research**
  - **http://descartes-research.net/research/research_areas/**
  - **Self Aware Computing** (publications)

# Descartes Tools

**Descartes Modeling Language:**

- DML (Descartes Modeling Language)
- DNI (Descartes Network Infrastructures Modeling)

**Workload Characterization & Model Extraction:**

- LIMBO Load Intensity Modeling Tool
- WCF (Workload Classification and Forecasting Tool)
- LibReDE (Library for Resource Demand Estimation)
- SPA (Storage Performance Analyzer)
- PMX (Performance Model eXtractor)

**Declarative Performance Engineering:**

- DQL (Descartes Query Language)

**Benchmarking:**

- BUNGEE Cloud Elasticity Benchmark
- hInjector Hypercall Attack Injector

**Stochastic Modeling:**

- QPME (Queueing Petri net Modeling Environment)

**Black-Box Modeling:**

- Univariate Interpolation Library

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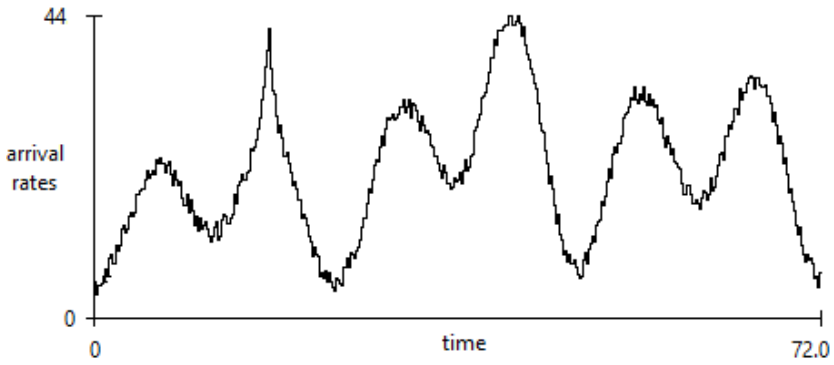
# LIMBO Tool

- Problem:
  - How to capture the load intensity variations (e.g., requests per sec) in a compact mathematical model?
  - How to forecast the load intensity (requests per sec) in future time horizons?

- **Load Intensity Modeling & Forecasting Tool**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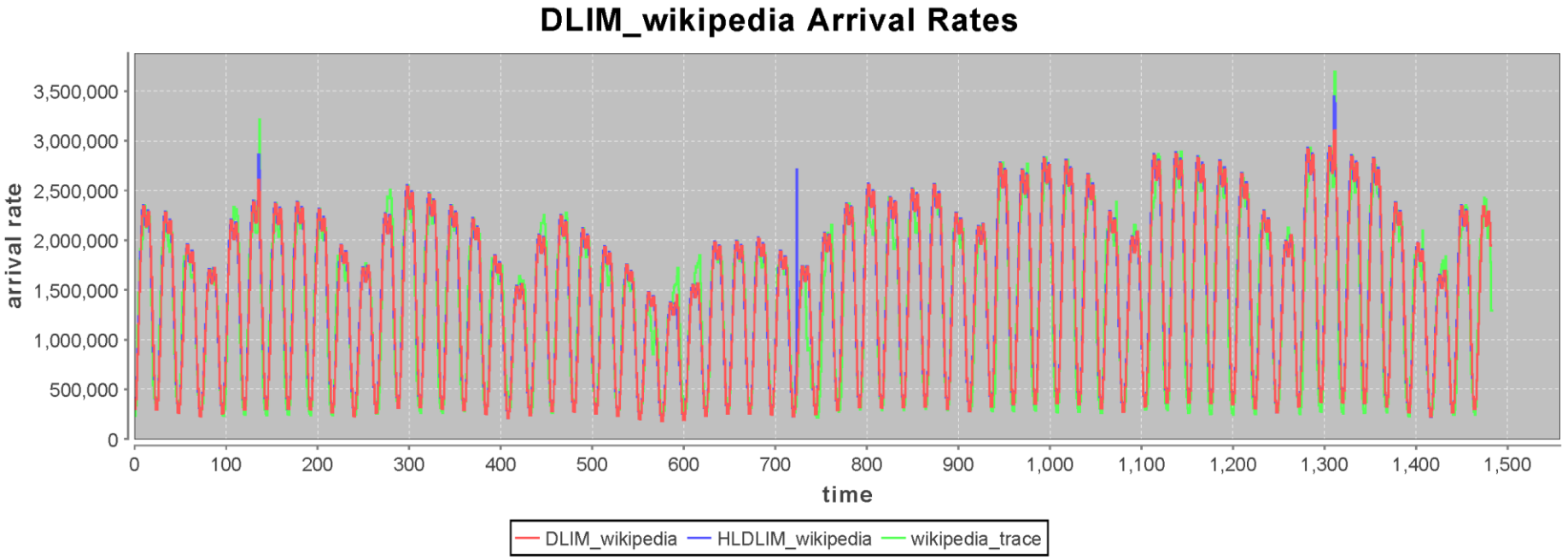
# Example: Wikipedia Workload



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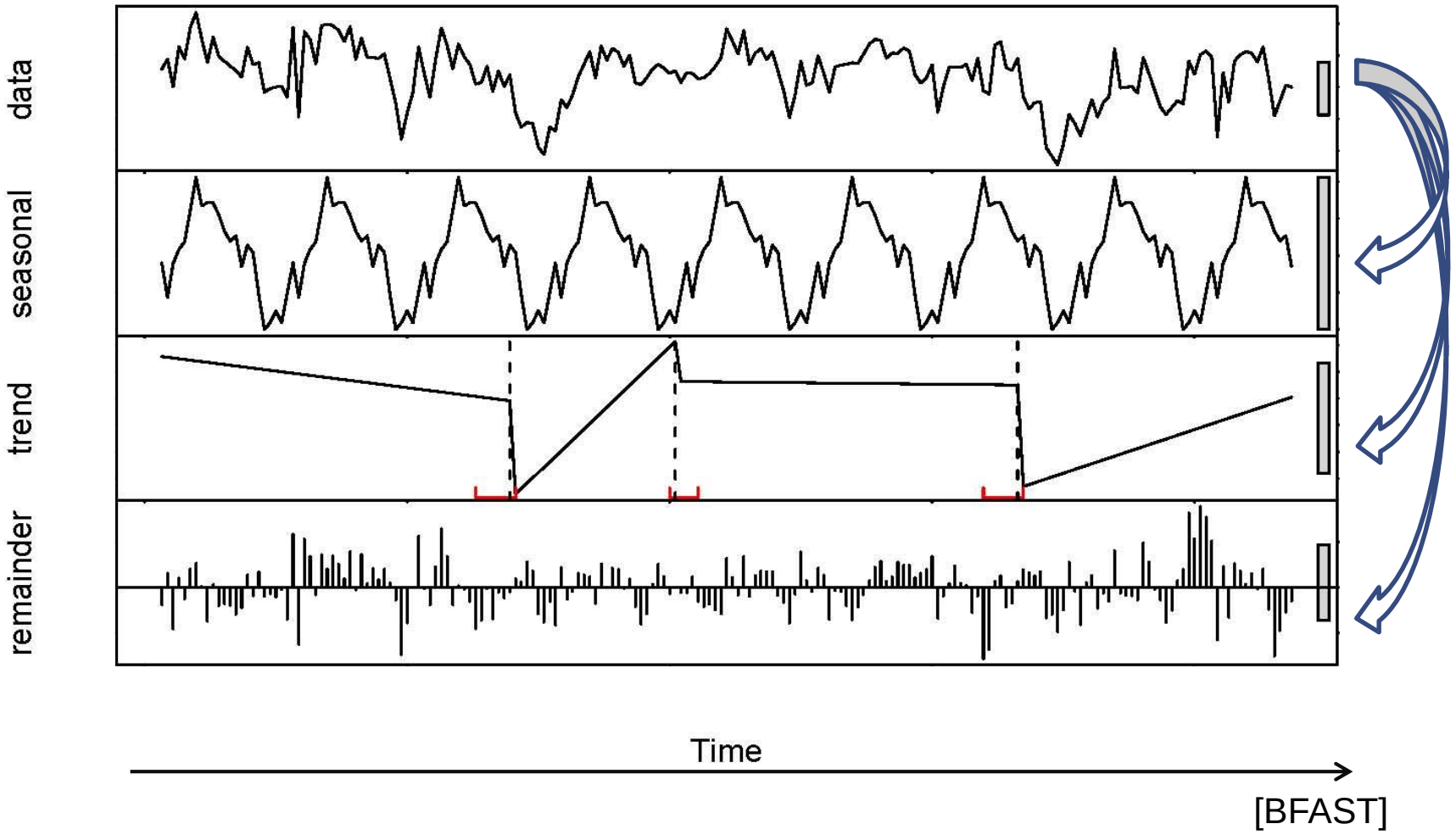


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# Applied Forecasting Methods

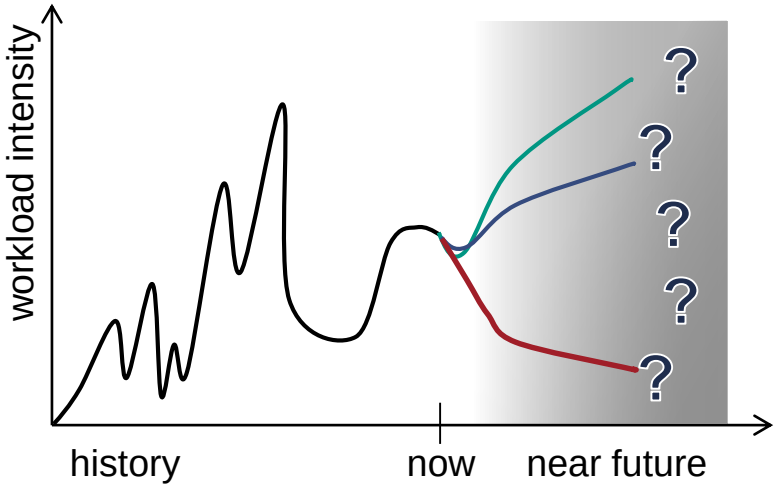
| **Basic Methods** | **(initial)** |
|---|---|
| Naïve, Moving Averages, Random Walk | |

| **Trend Interpolation** | **(fast)** |
|---|---|
| Simple Exponential Smoothing (SES) | [Hynd08] |
| Cubic Smoothing Splines | [Hynd02] |
| Croston‘s method for intermittent time series | [Shen05] |
| Autoregressive Moving Averages (ARMA11) | [Box08] |

| **Estimation and Modelling of Seasonal Pattern** | **(complex)** |
|---|---|
| Extended Exponential Smoothing (ETS) | [Hynd08, Hyn08] |
| ARIMA framework with automatic model selection | [Box08, Hynd08] |
| tBATS for complex seasonal patterns | [Live11] |

# LIMBO Tool (2)

- **Workload Classification & Forecasting (WCF)**
  - Use of multiple alternative forecasting methods in parallel
  - Selection of method based on its accuracy in the past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IBM PHD FELLOWSHIP AWARD PROGRAMME

# LibReDE Tool

- Problem: How to estimate the total service time of a given type of request/job at a given resource?

- **Library for Resource Demand Estimation**
  - Ready-to-use implementations of estimation approaches
  - Selection of a suitable approach for a given scenario

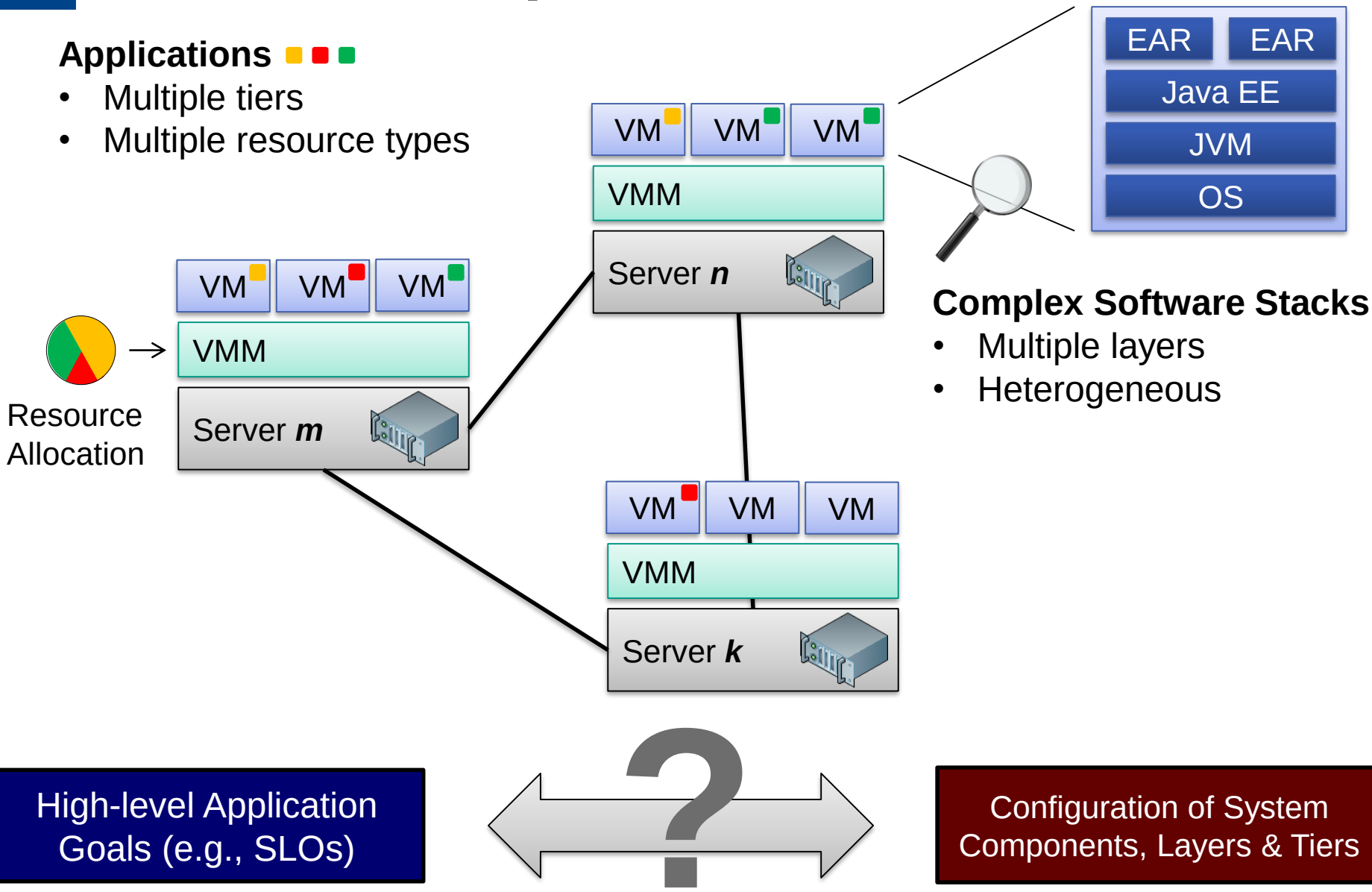


**http://descartes.tools/librede**

S. Spinner, G. Casale, F. Brosig, and S. Kounev. **Evaluating Approaches to Resource Demand Estimation**. *Performance Evaluation*, 92:51 - 71, October 2015, Elsevier B.V. [ DOI | http | .pdf ]

# Semantic Gap Problem

**Applications**
- Multiple tiers
- Multiple resource types




**Complex Software Stacks**
- Multiple layers
- Heterogeneous

High-level Application Goals (e.g., SLOs)

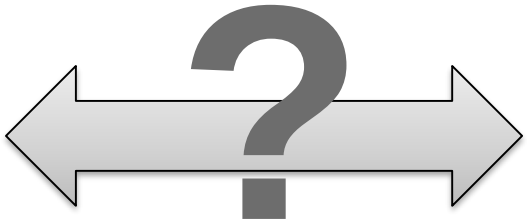
Configuration of System Components, Layers & Tiers

# Semantic Gap Problem

- **Availability & Performance**
  - Services available 99.99% of the time
  - Response time of service x < 20 ms
  - Transaction throughput > 1000
  - Server utilization > 60% on average
  - „Time to recover after a failure“ < 1 min
- **Efficiency**
  - Allocate only as much resources as are actually needed
- ...

- How many vCPUs to allocate to virtual machine (VM) n?
- How much memory to allocate to VM n?
- When exactly should a reconfiguration be triggered?
- Which particular resources or services should be scaled / replicated / migrated / restarted?
- How quickly and at what granularity?

Service level objectives (SLOs)




Configuration of System Components, Layers & Tiers

# Descartes Tools

**Descartes Modeling Language:**

- DML (Descartes Modeling Language)
- DNI (Descartes Network Infrastructures Modeling)

**Workload Characterization & Model Extraction:**

- LIMBO Load Intensity Modeling Tool
- WCF (Workload Classification and Forecasting Tool)
- LibReDE (Library for Resource Demand Estimation)
- SPA (Storage Performance Analyzer)
- PMX (Performance Model eXtractor)

**Declarative Performance Engineering:**

- DQL (Descartes Query Language)

**Benchmarking:**

- BUNGEE Cloud Elasticity Benchmark
- hInjector Hypercall Attack Injector

**Stochastic Modeling:**

- QPME (Queueing Petri net Modeling Environment)

**Black-Box Modeling:**

- Univariate Interpolation Library

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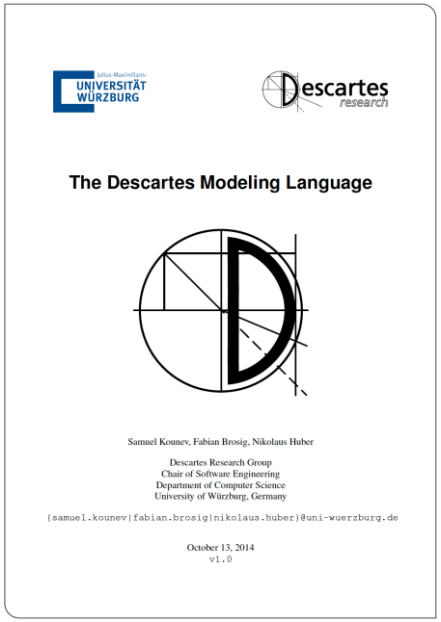
# Descartes Modeling Language (DML)

- Architecture-level modeling language for modeling QoS and resource management related aspects of IT systems and infrastructures
  - Prediction of the impact of dynamic changes at run-time
  - Current version focused on performance including capacity, responsiveness and resource efficiency aspects



The Descartes Modeling Language

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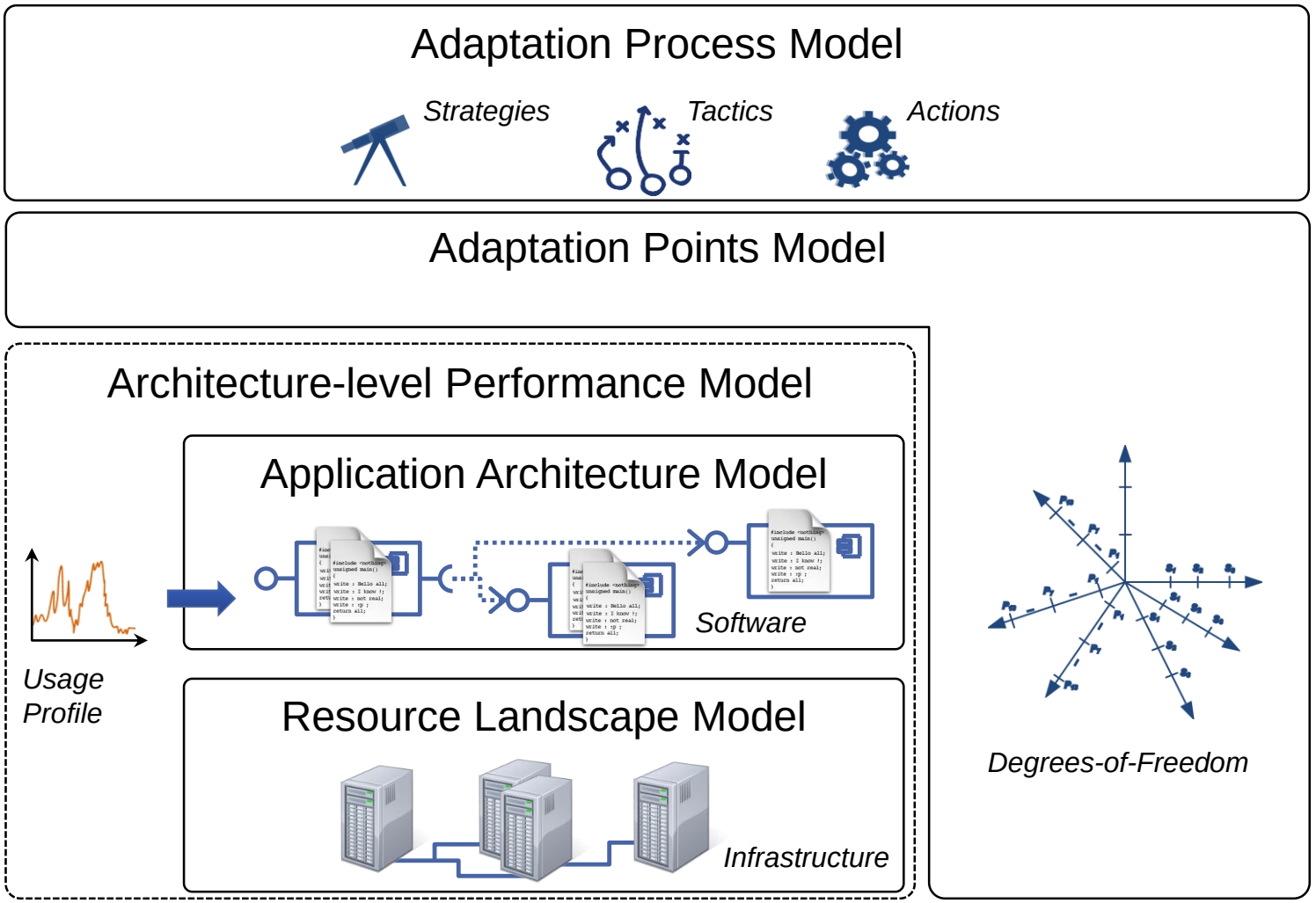
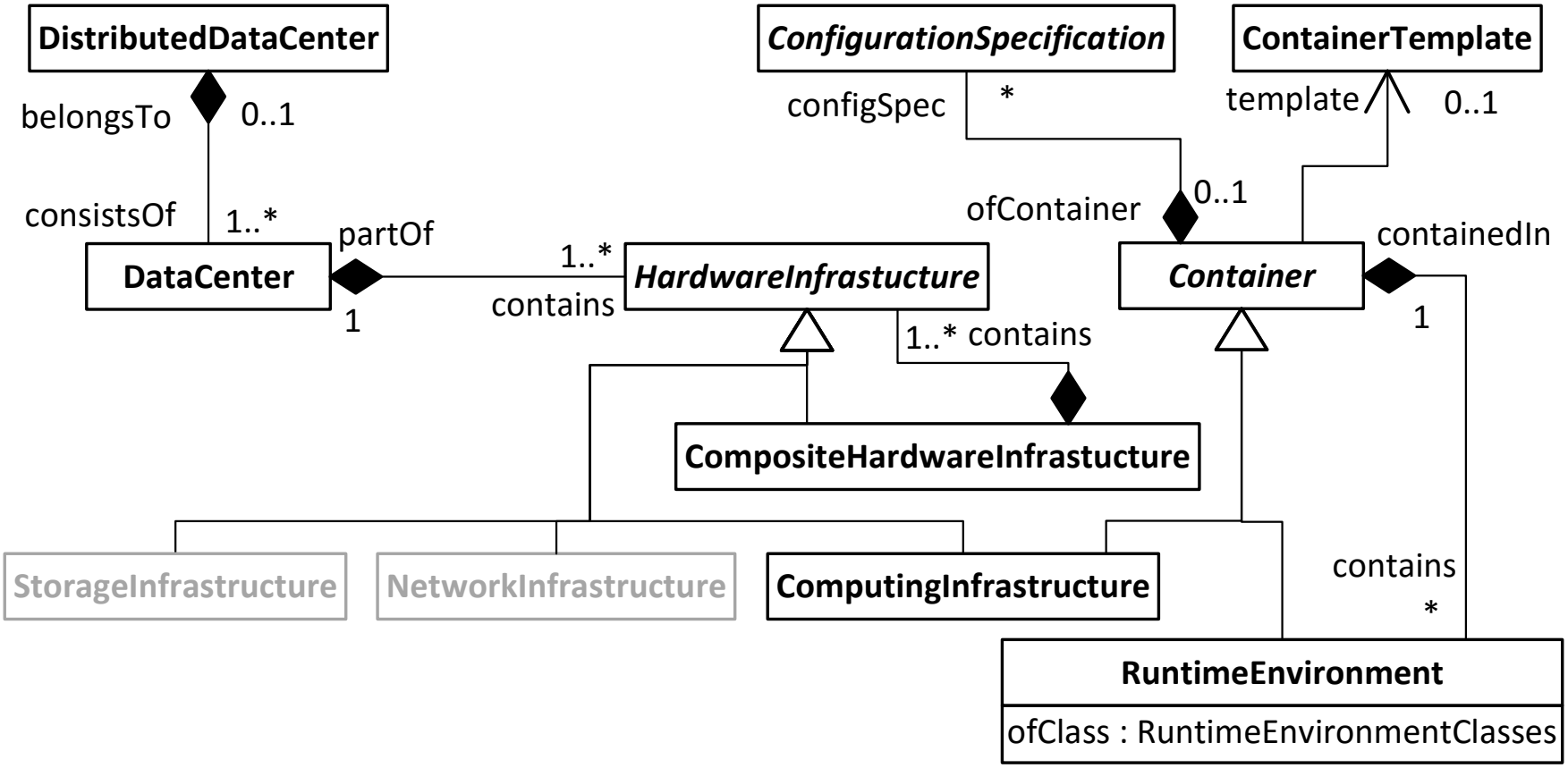
# DML Sub-Models



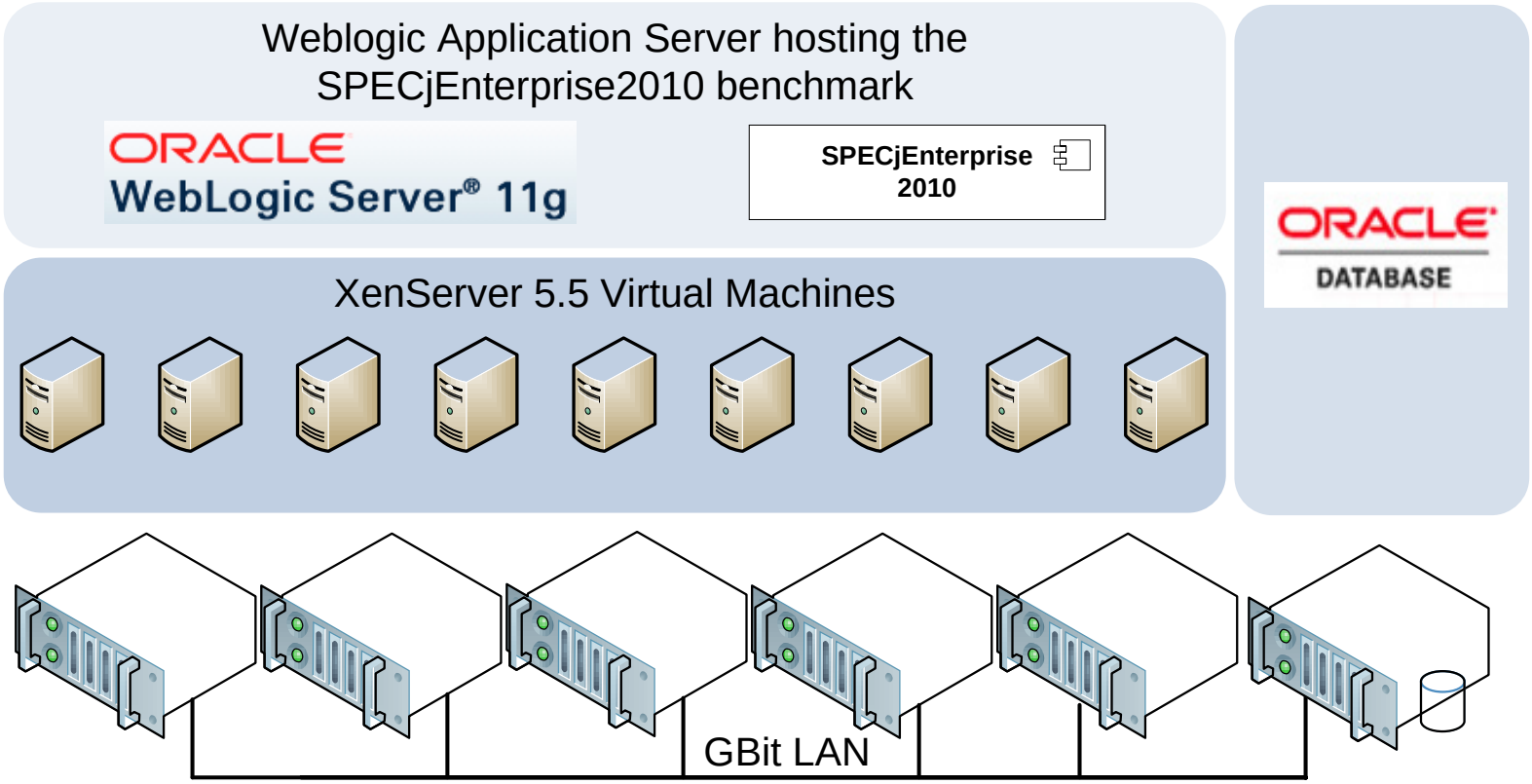
# Resource Landscape Meta-Model

(Selected Top Level Modeling Elements)



# Example: WebLogic Server Cluster

(Resource Landscape)



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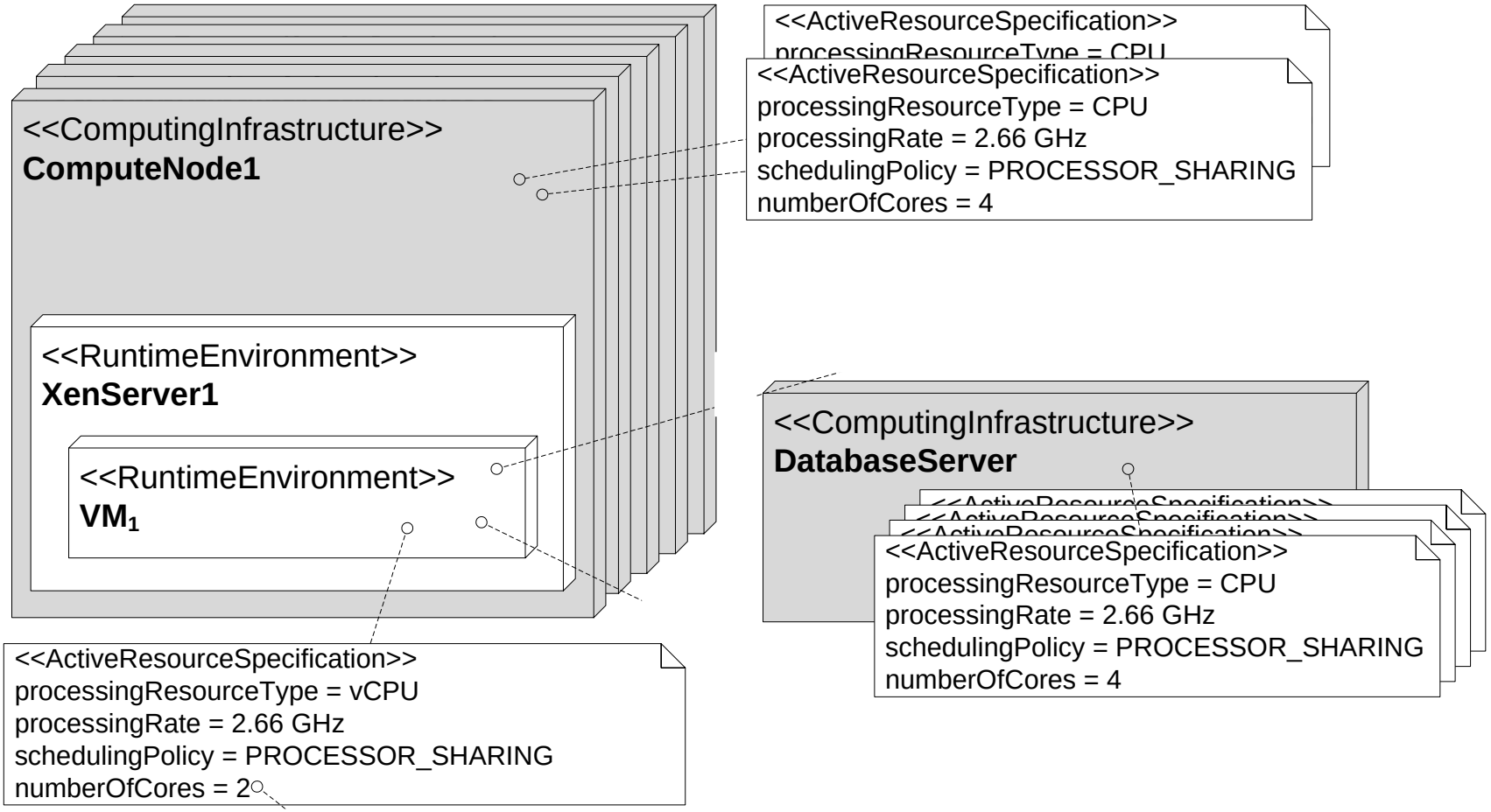
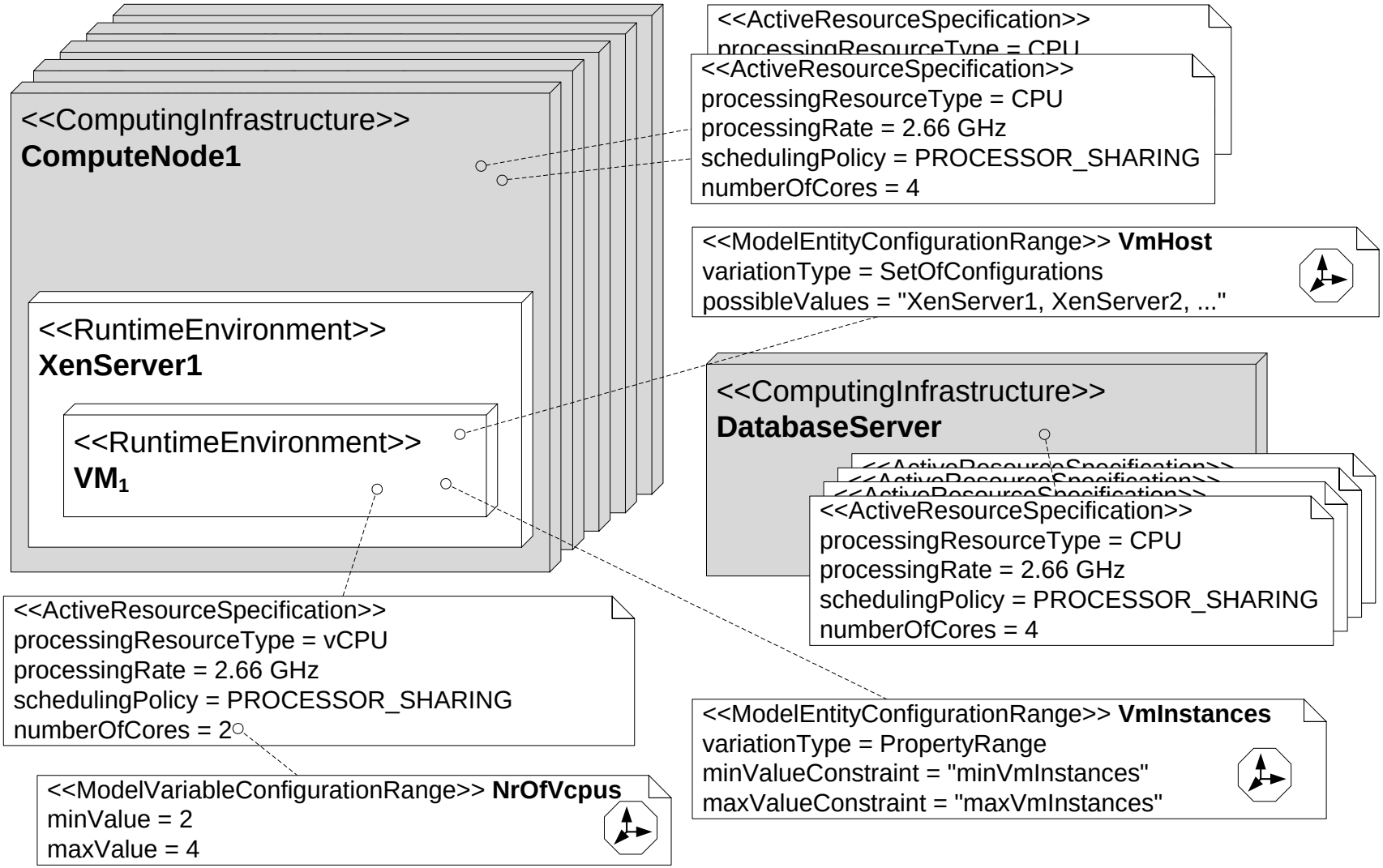
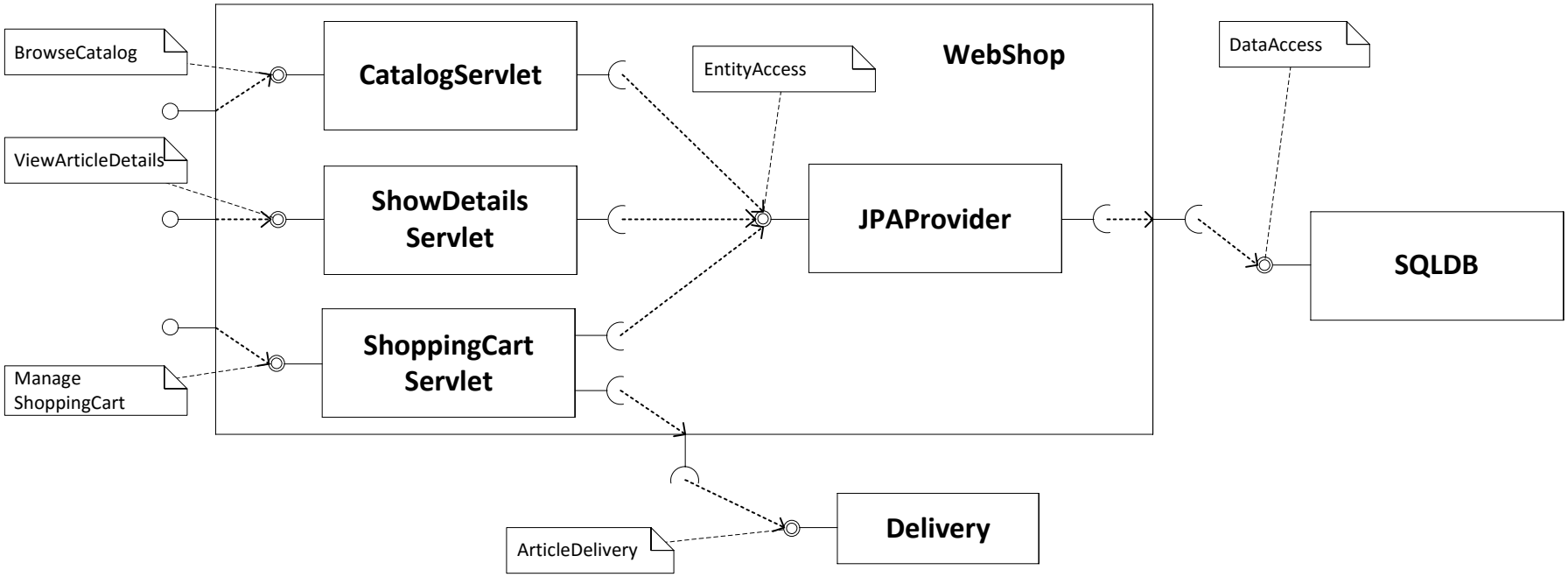


# Example: WebLogic Server Cluster

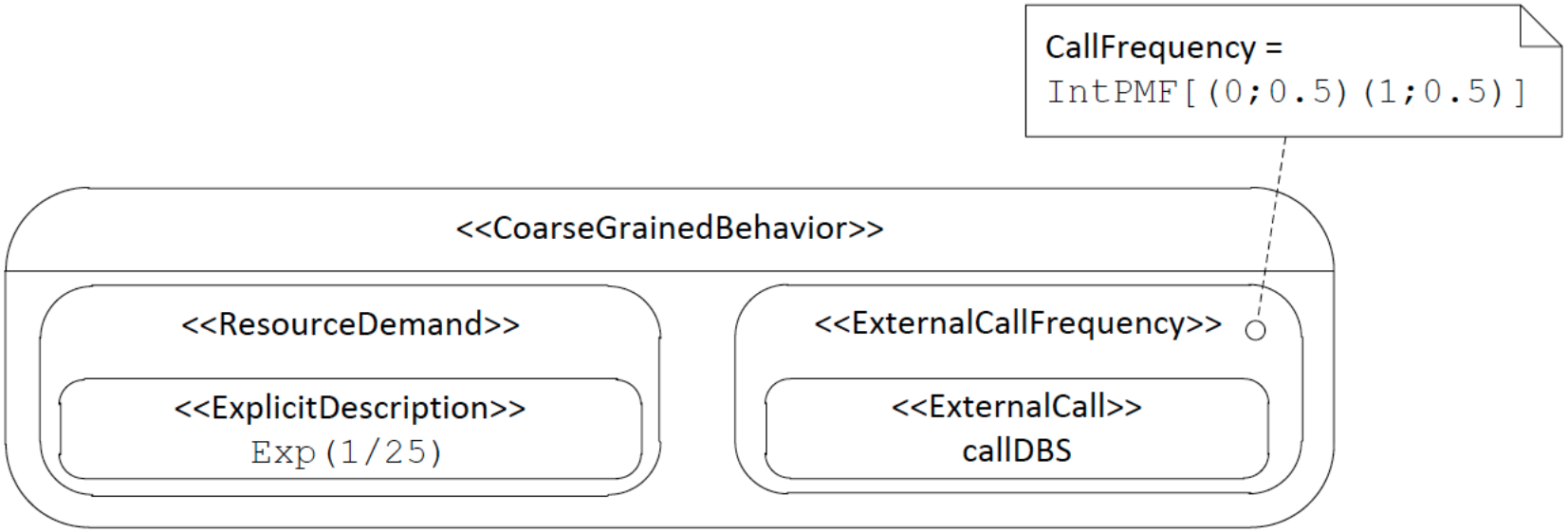
## (Resource Landscape Model) + (Adaptation Points Model)



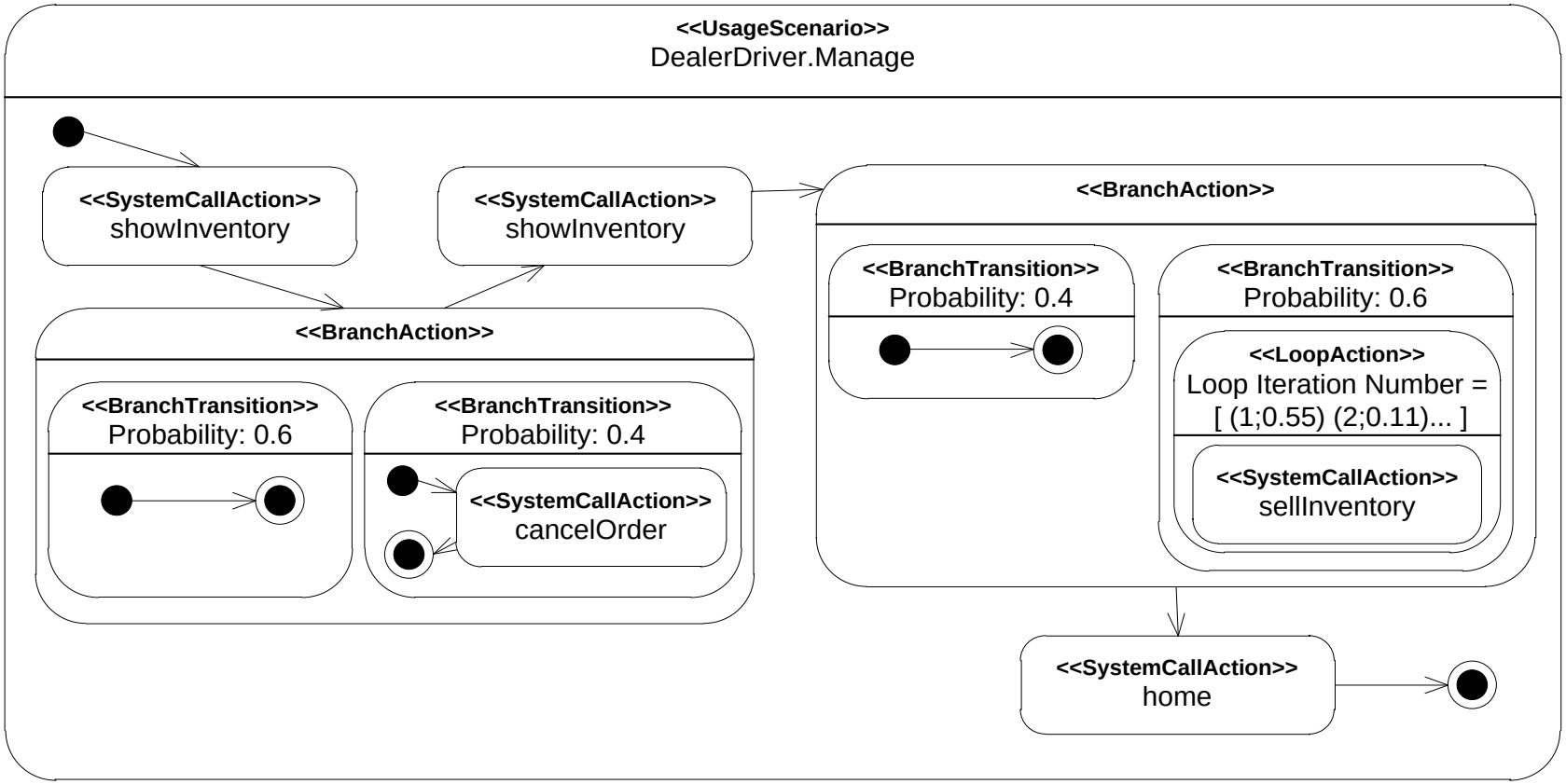
# Example
(Application Architecture Model)



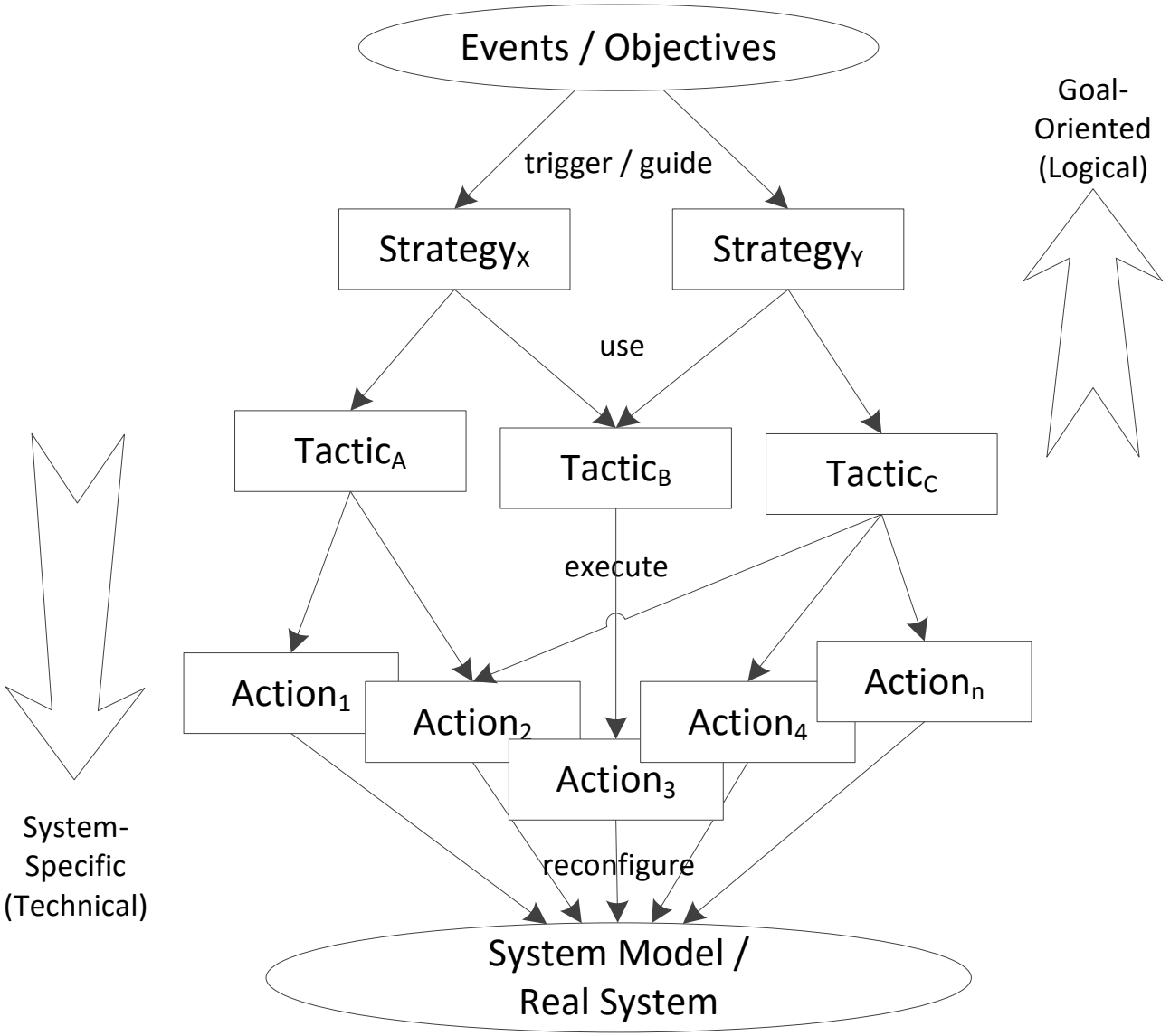
# Example
(Coarse-Grained Service Behavior Model)



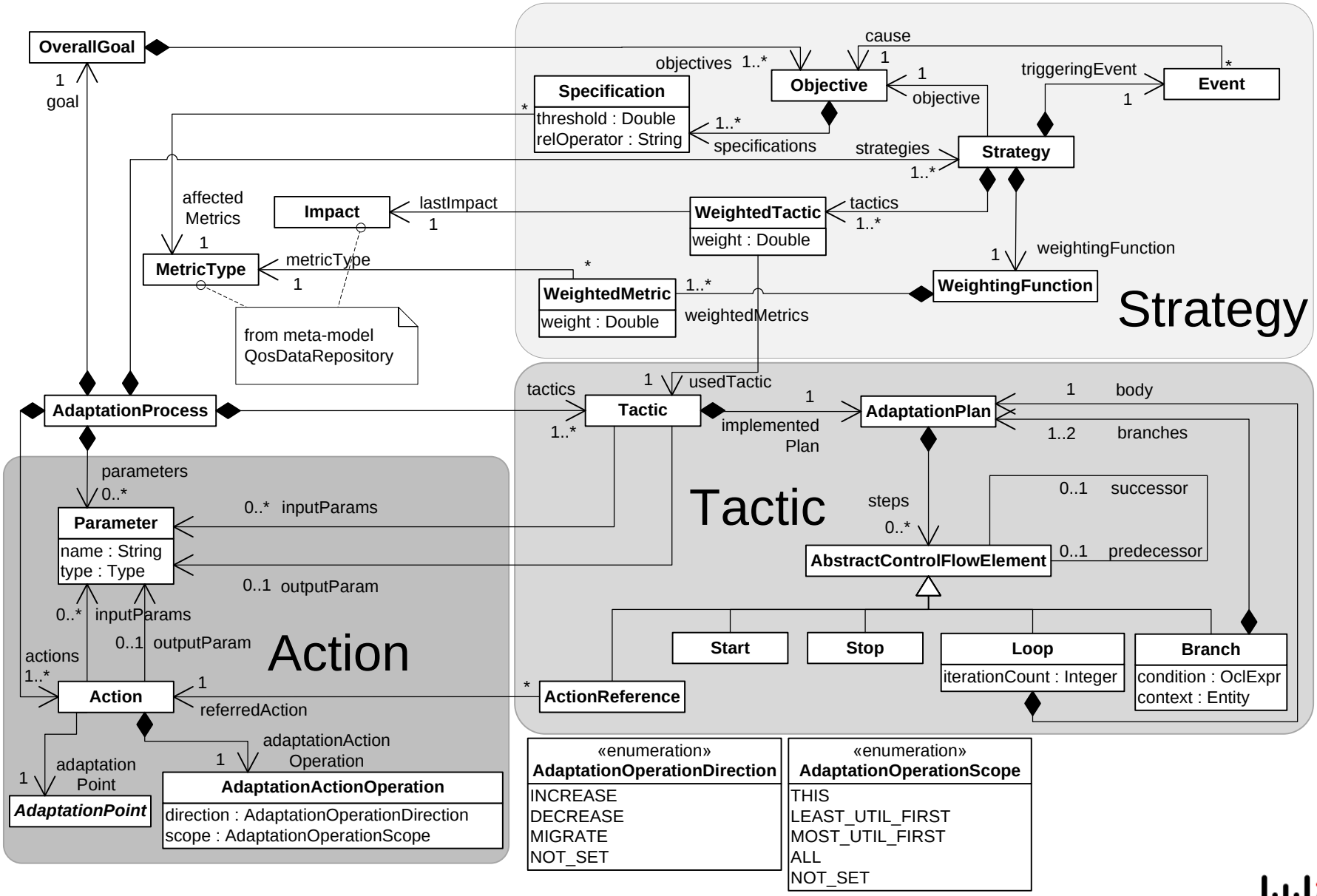
# Example
(Fine-Grained Service Behavior Model)



# Adaptation Process Model



# S/T/A Meta-Model (Strategies, Tactics and Actions)



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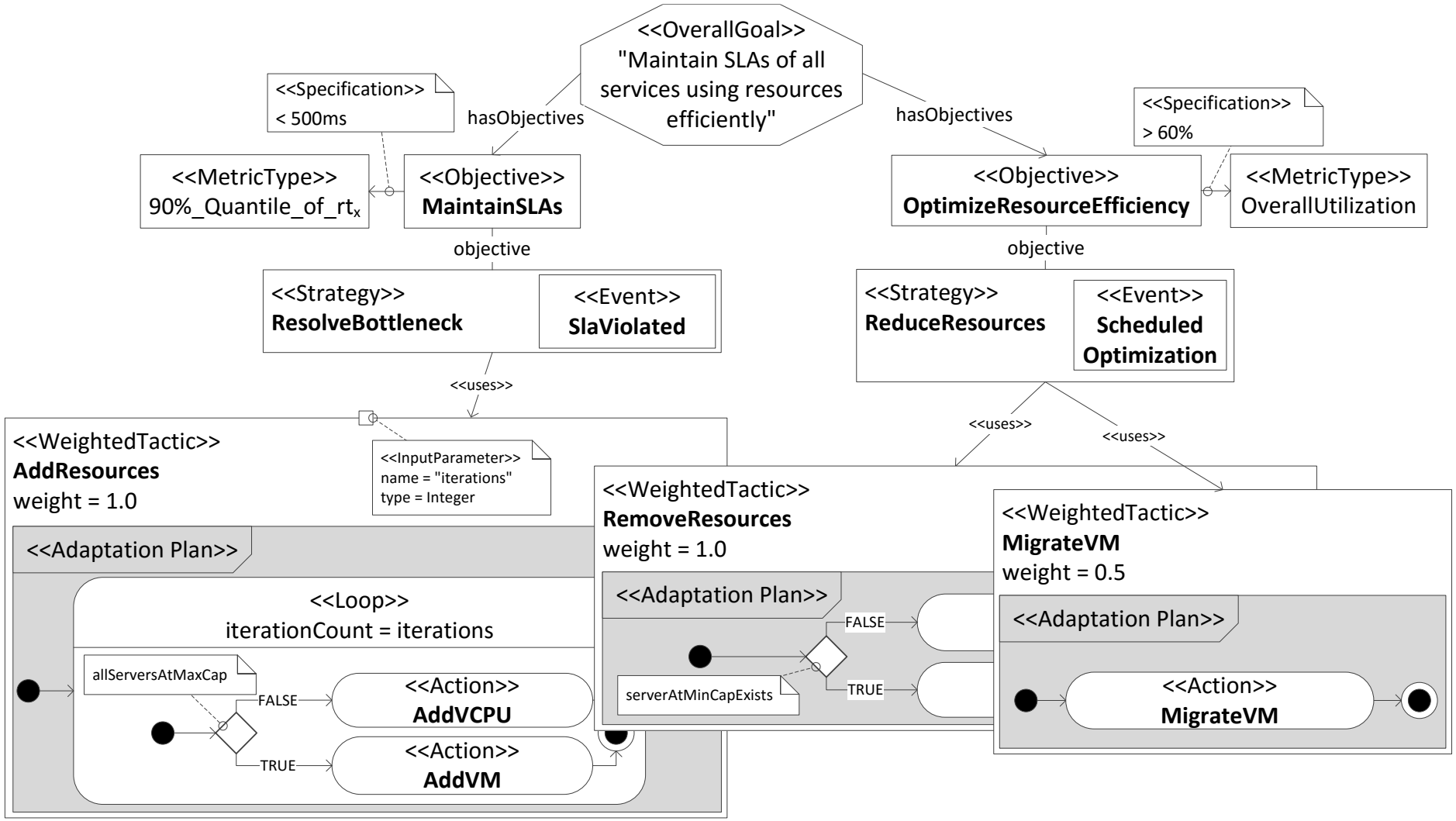
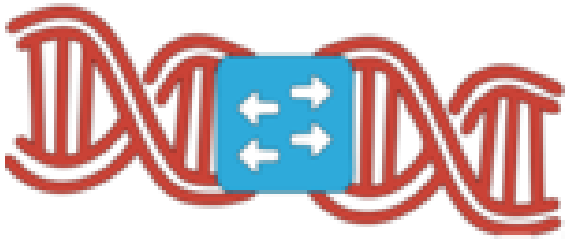


# DNI - Descartes Network Infrastructure Modeling

- Language for perf. modeling of data center networks
  - network topology, switches, routers, virtual machines, network protocols, routes, flow-based configuration,...
- Model solvers based on simulation (OMNeT)



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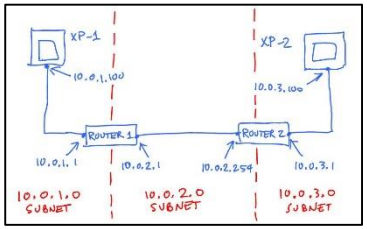
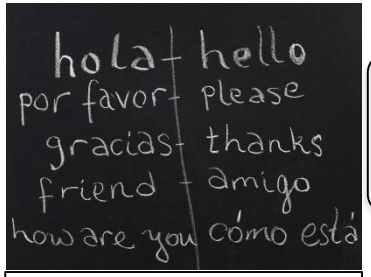
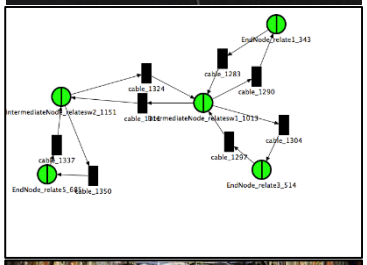
# Flexible Modeling of Data Center Networks for Capacity Management




**DNI Meta-Model**
Generic modeling formalism for SDN- and NFV-based data center networks performance.




**Model Transformations** x6
Automated transformations to different predictive models.

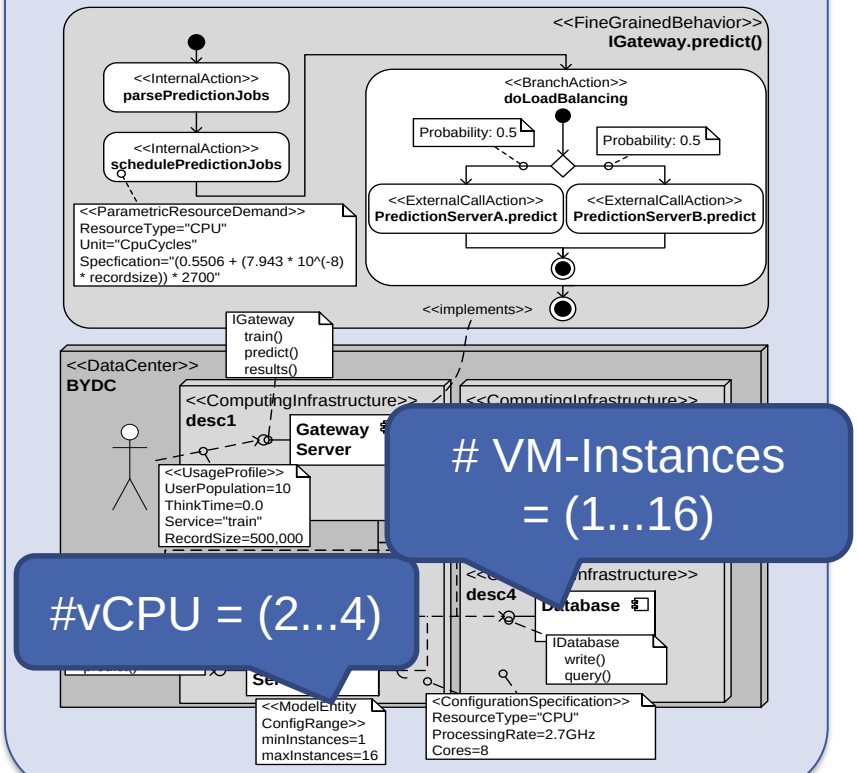


**Model Solvers** ≤10
Solvers supporting trade-offs btw. accuracy and solving time.

**Model Extraction**
Traffic models can be extracted automatically from traces.

# Online Performance Prediction

## Architecture-Level Performance Model



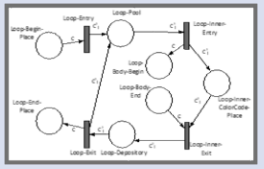

# VM-Instances = (1...16)

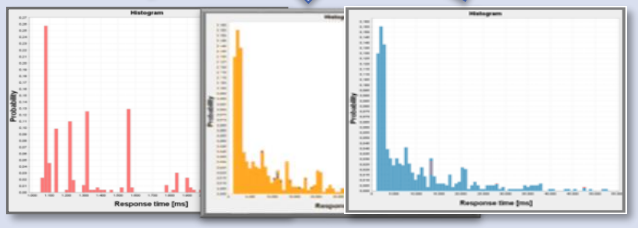
#vCPU = (2...4)

## Online Performance Prediction

$$\overline{X} \leq min\left\{\frac{N}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} D_i^{sync}}, min_{1\leq i\leq n}\left\{\frac{1}{D_i}\right\}\right\}$$

$$\overline{R} = \frac{N}{\overline{X}} \geq max\left\{\sum_{i=0}^{n} D_i^{sync}, N * max_{1\leq i\leq n}\{D_i\}\right\}$$





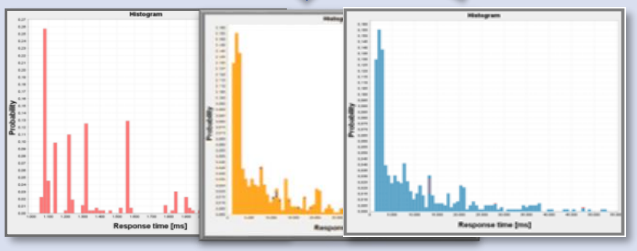
## Autonomic Decision Making

# Tailored Model Solution

## Analytical Analysis

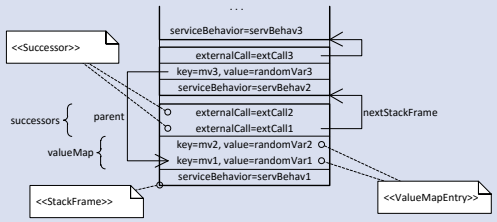
$$R \geq \max\left[ N \times \max\{D_i\}, \sum_{i=1}^{K} D_i \right] \qquad X_0 \leq \min\left[ \frac{1}{\max\{D_i\}}, \frac{N}{\sum_{i=1}^{K} D_i} \right]$$

$$\frac{N}{\max\{D_i\}[K+N-1]} \leq X_0 \leq \frac{N}{avg\{D_i\}[K+N-1]}$$



Analysis Results

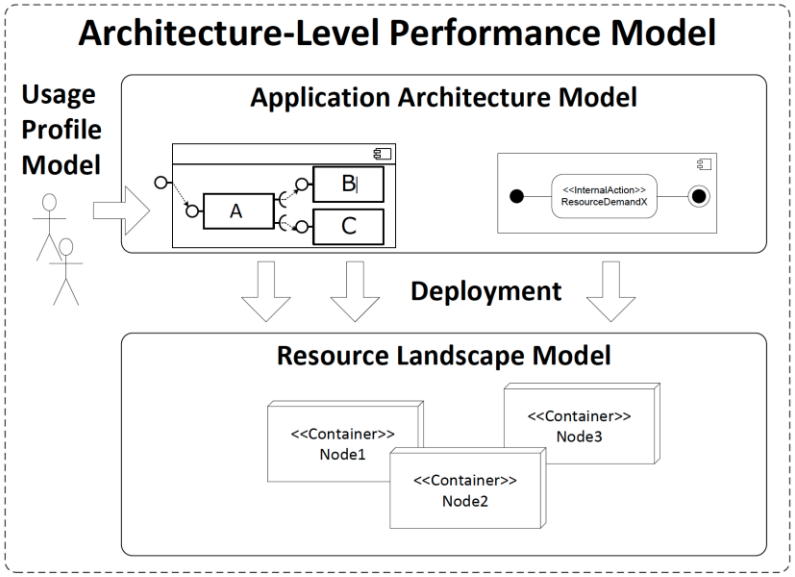
## Simulative Analysis



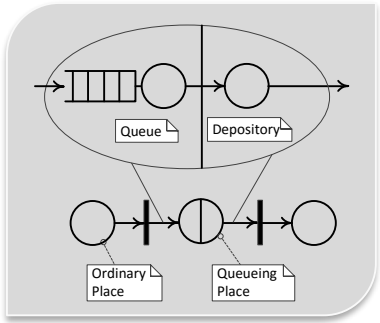

Analysis Results

Fabian Brosig, Philipp Meier, Steffen Becker, Anne Koziolek, Heiko Koziolek, and Samuel Kounev. **Quantitative Evaluation of Model-Driven Performance Analysis and Simulation of Component-based Architectures**. *IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE)*, 41(2):157-175, February 2015, IEEE. [ DOI | http | .pdf ]

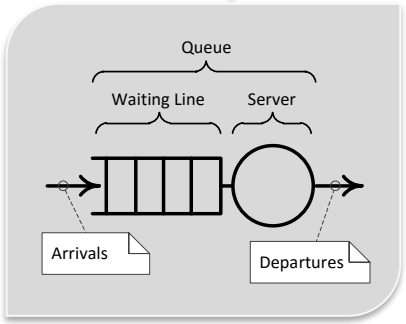
# Transformations to Predictive Models



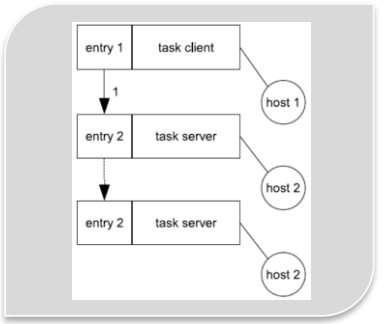

*DML Instance*




Queueing Petri Net

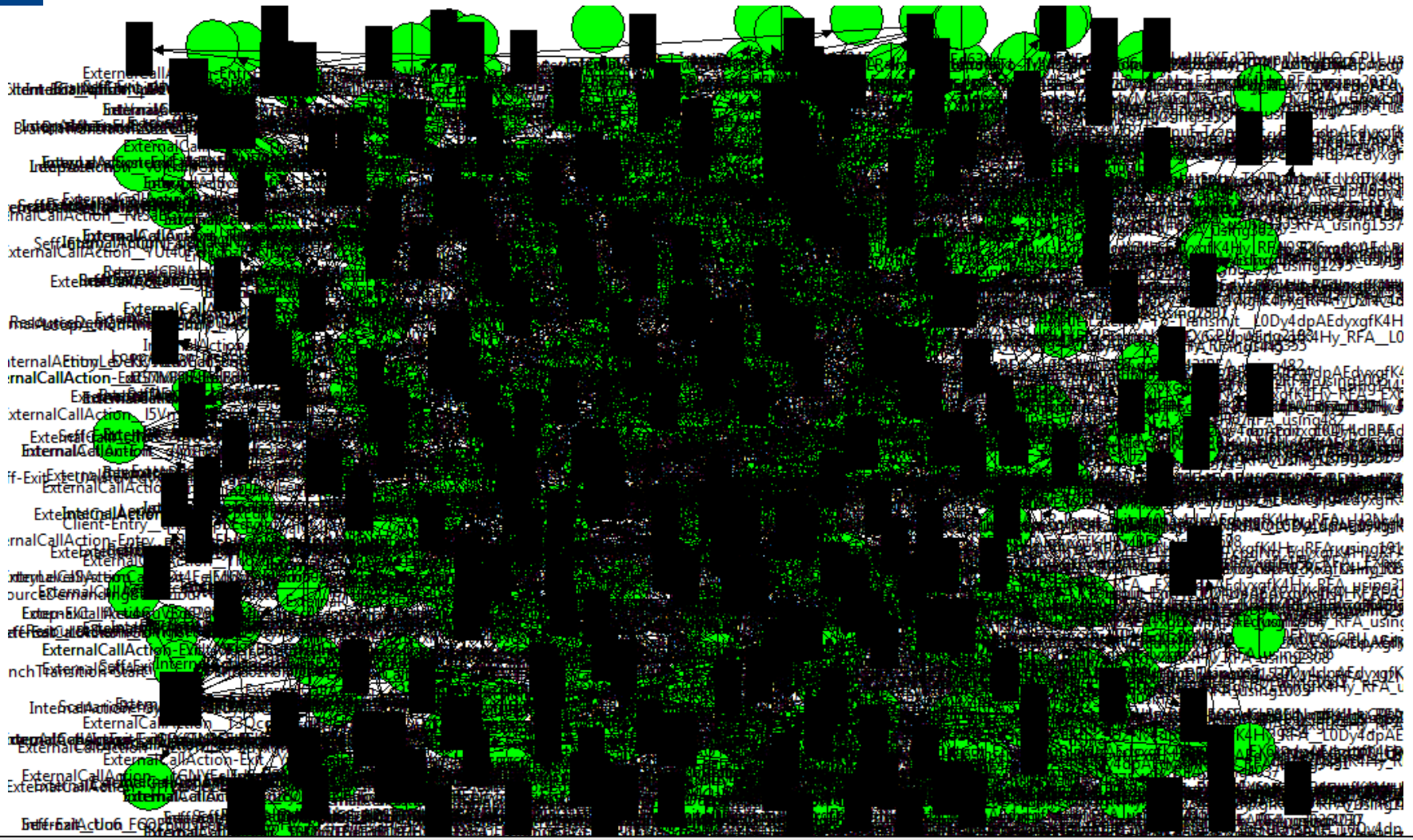



Bounds Analysis Model




Layered Queueing Network

# Case Study: Process Control System (ABB)



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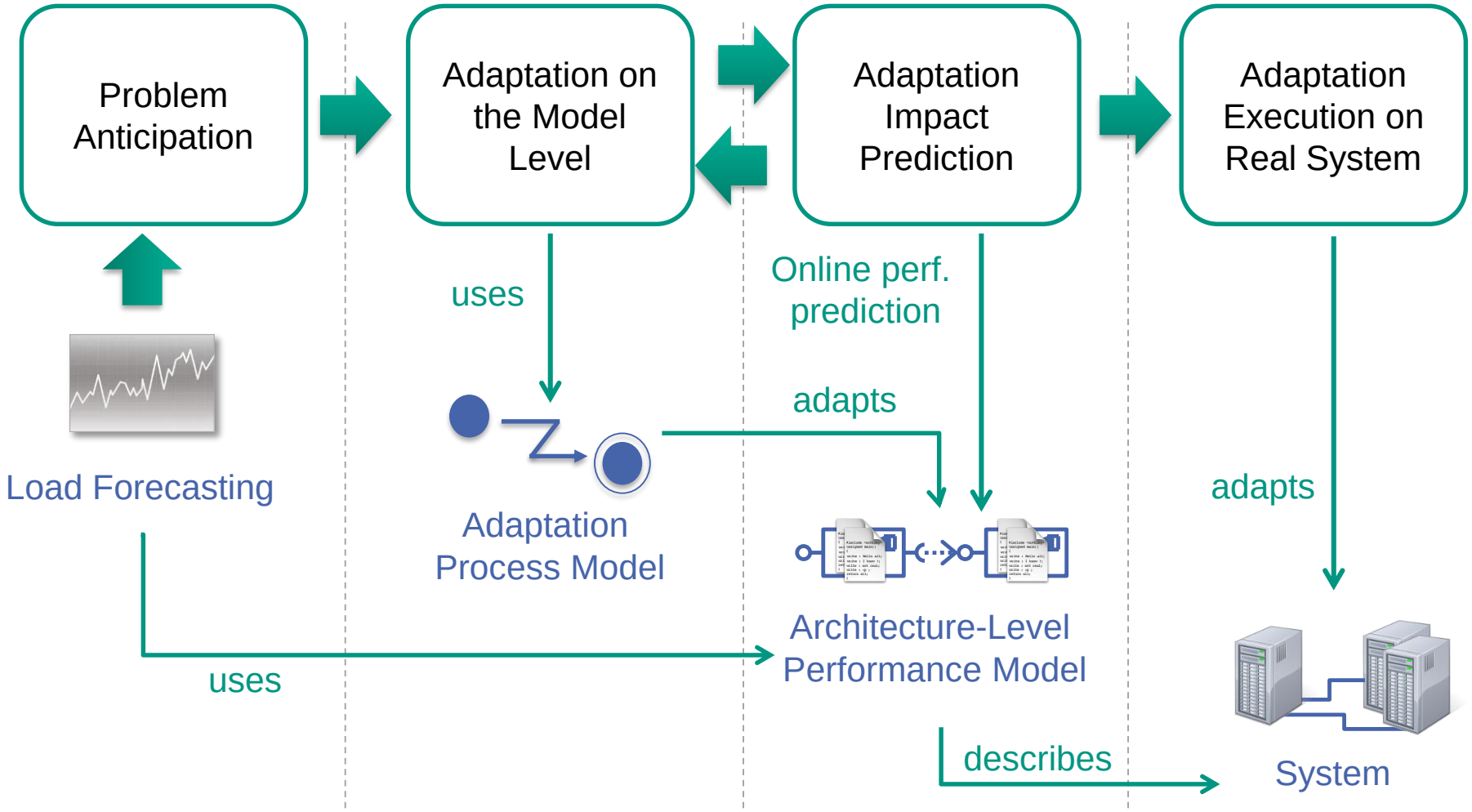
# Model-Based System Adaptation



# Applied Modeling Techniques

## Descriptive Architecture-level Models

- OMG Meta Object Facility (MOF)
  - MOF-based meta-models
- (UML MARTE)
- (UML SPT)

## Predictive Performance Models

- Bounding techniques
- Operational analysis
- Statistical regression models
- Stochastic process algebras
- (Extended) queueing networks
- Layered queueing networks
- Queueing Petri nets
- Reinforcement learning models
- Detailed simulation models

## Workload Forecasting

- AR(I)MA
- Extended exp. smoothing
- tBATS
- Croston's method
- Cubic smoothing splines
- Neural network-based

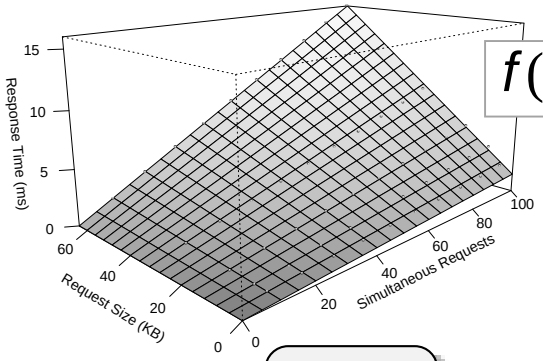
## Resource Demand Estimation

- Regression-based techniques
- Kalman filter
- Nonlinear optimization
- Maximum likelihood estimation
- Independent component analysis

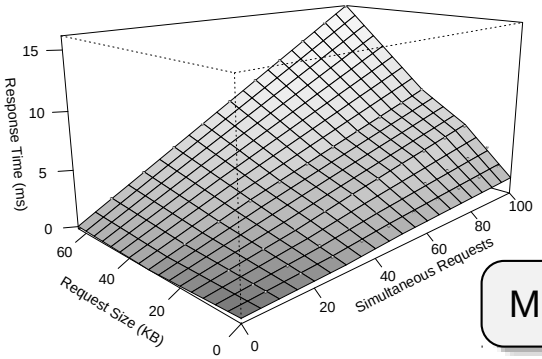
## Regression Analysis

- MARS
- CART
- M5 trees
- Cubist forests
- Quantile regression forests
- Support vector machines

# Example Statistical Regression Models




$$f(x_1, x_2) = \underbrace{c_1 x_1 x_2}_{\text{interaction term}} + c_2 x_1 + c_3 x_2 + c_4$$




Parameters: # of terms, …

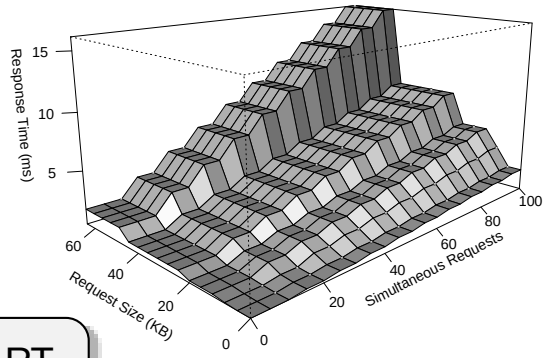
Piecewise linearity

LRM

MARS

Tree structure
Step function

CART



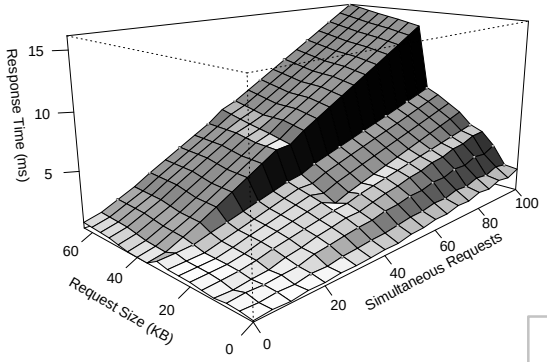

Parameters: # of nodes, …

Combination

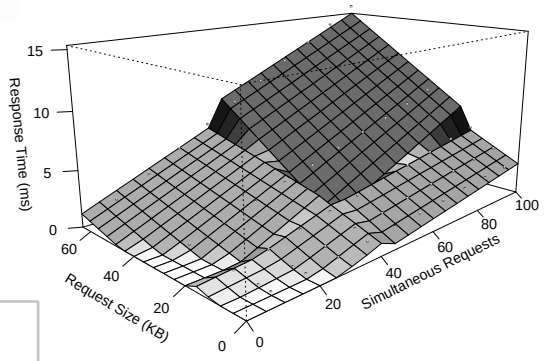
Boosting
Inst.-based

M5

Cubist




Parameters: # of trees,
# of nodes, …




Parameters: # of nodes, …

LRM - Linear Regression Models
MARS - Multivariate Adaptive Regression Splines
CART - Classification and Regression Trees

# Latest Publications on DML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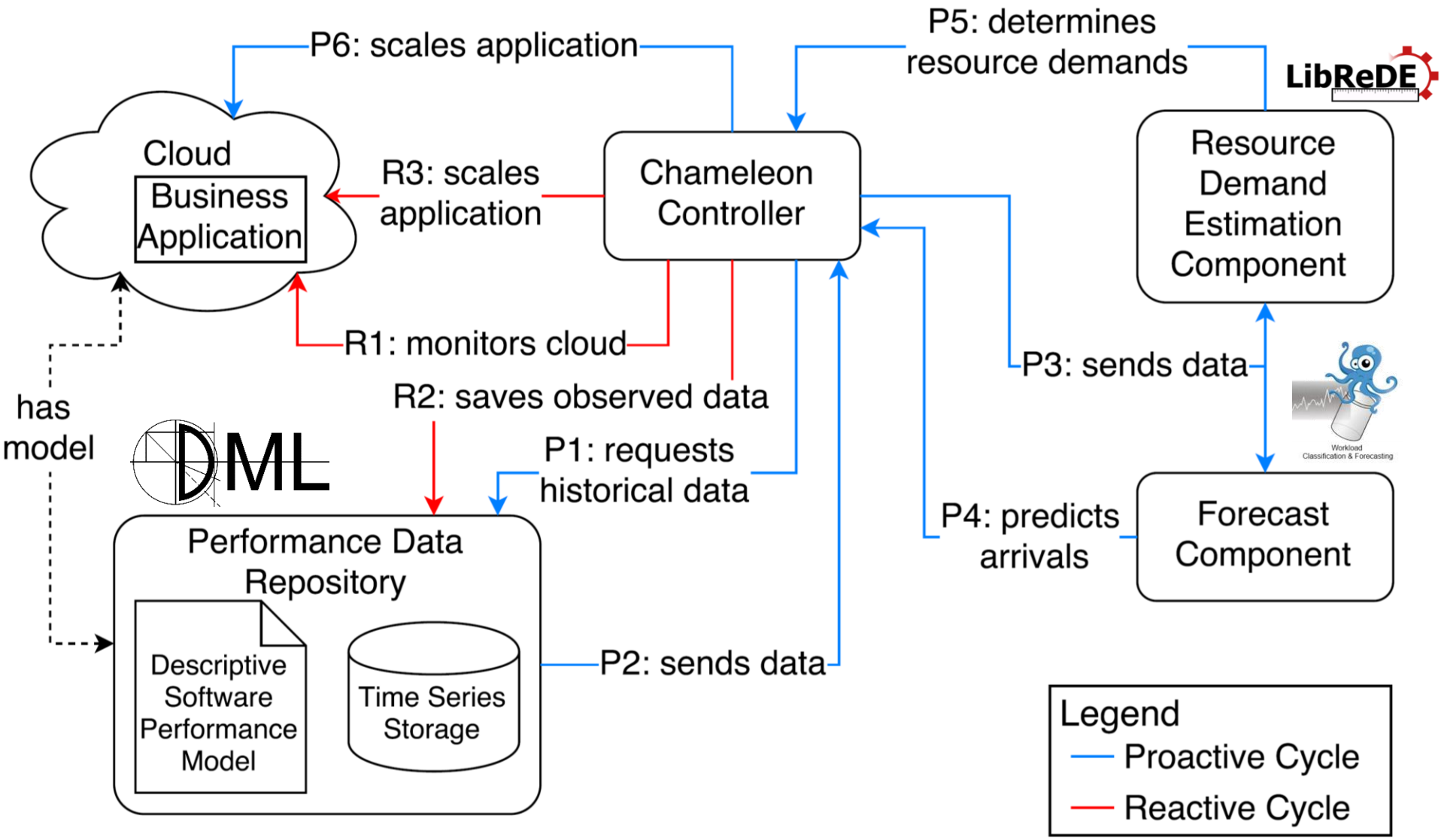
# Putting it All Together

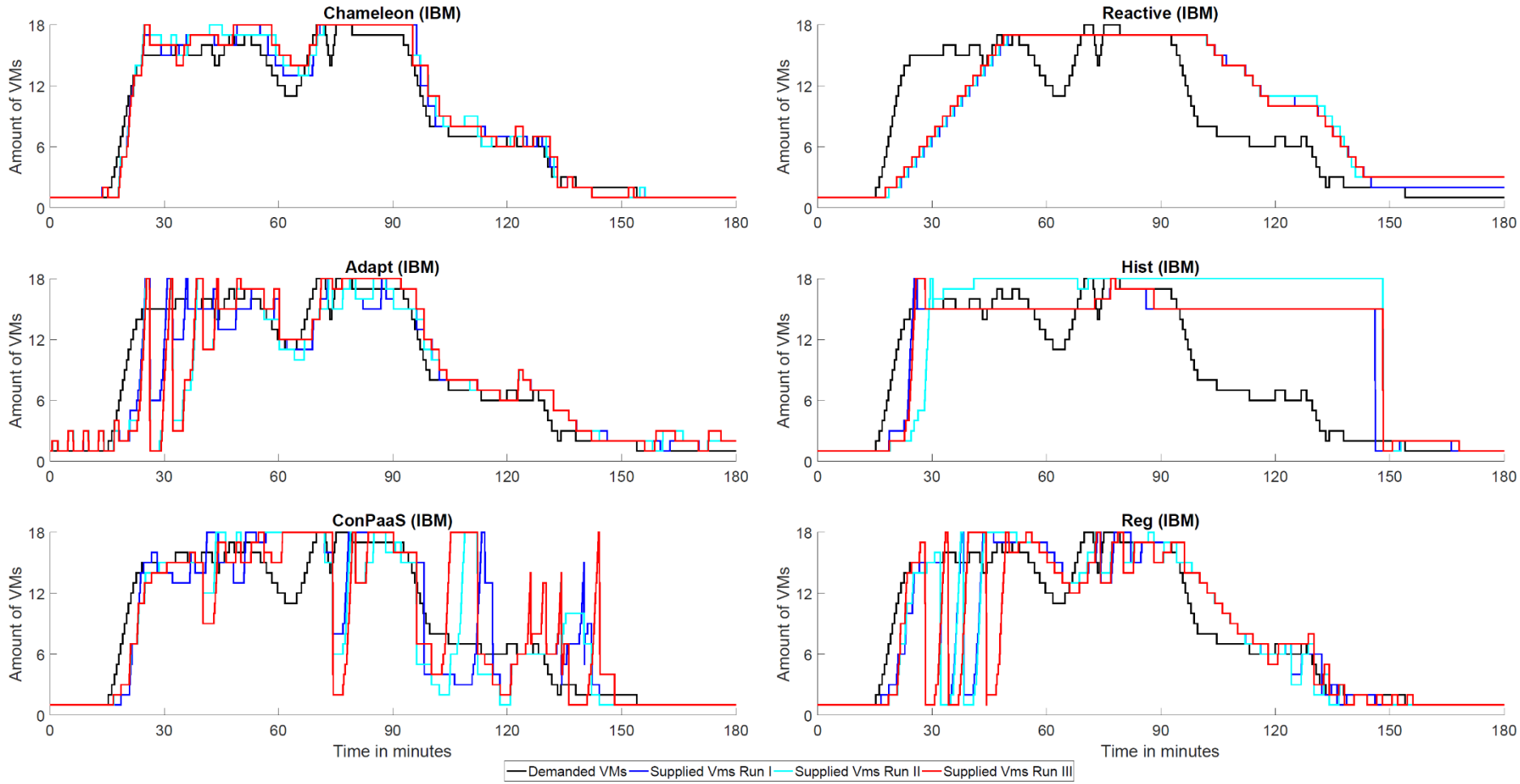
## DESIGN AND EVALUATION OF A PROACTIVE, APPLICATION-AWARE AUTO-SCALER

# CHAMELEON

# Chameleon‘s Architecture



# IBM Trace - 1 Day (3 runs)



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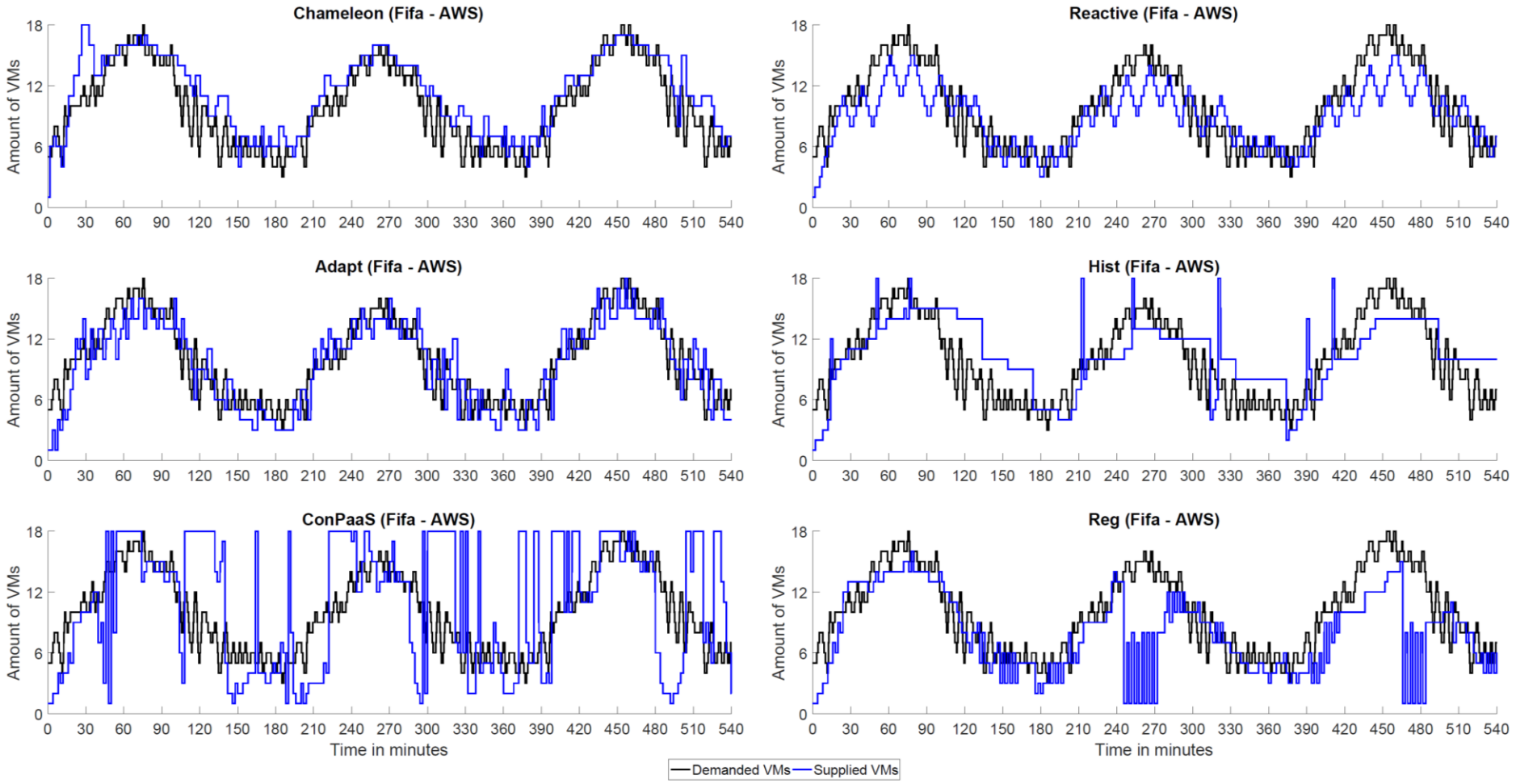

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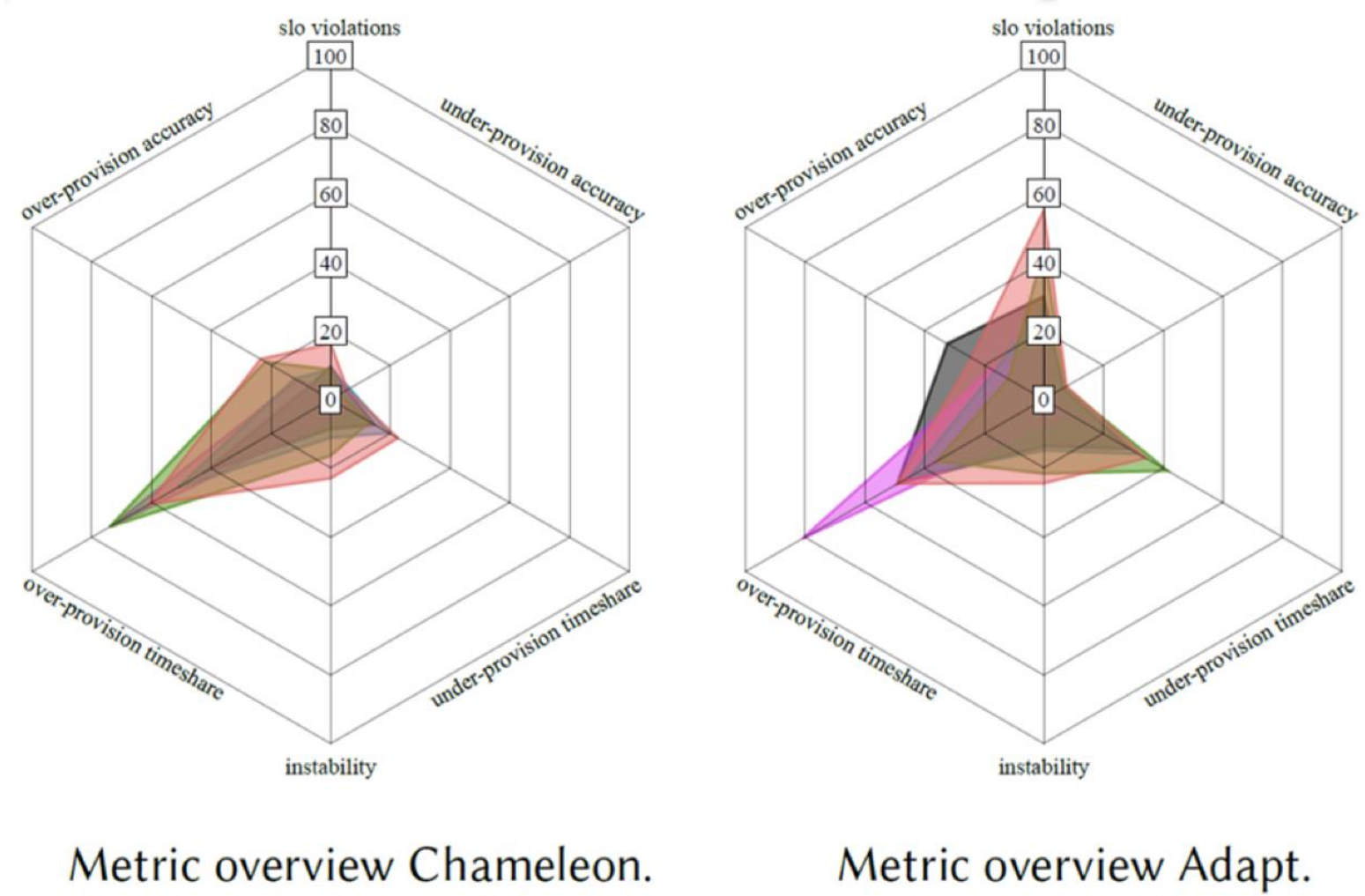


Metric overview Chameleon.

Metric overview Adapt.

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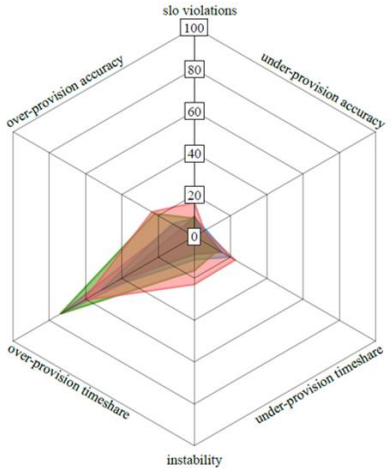


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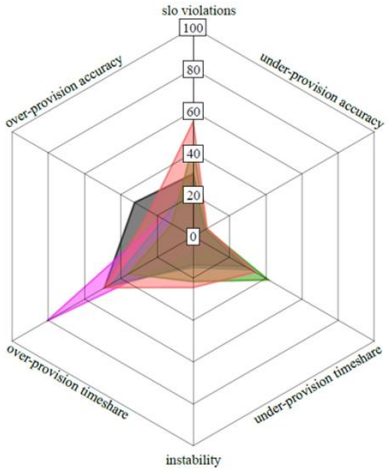


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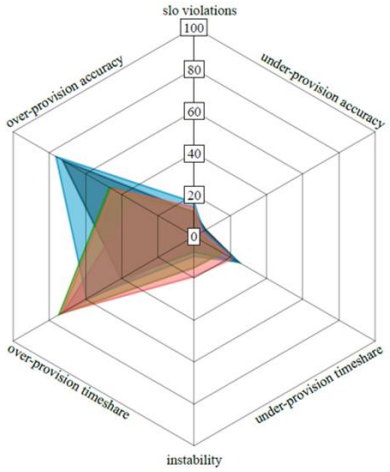


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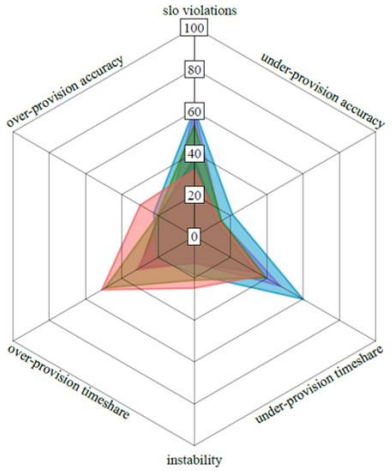


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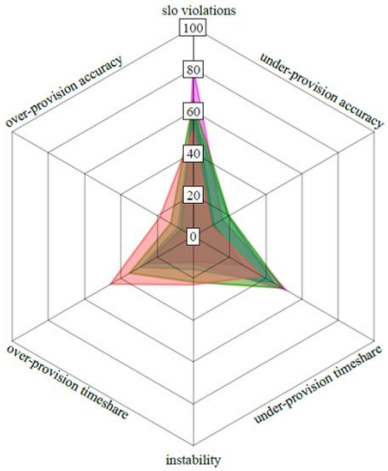


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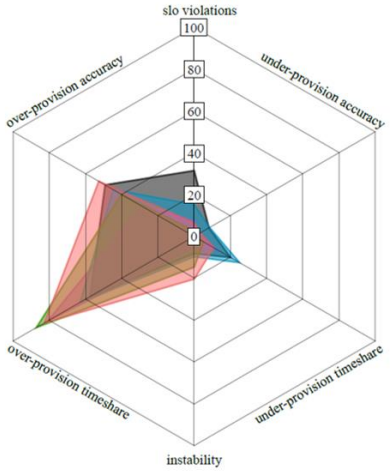


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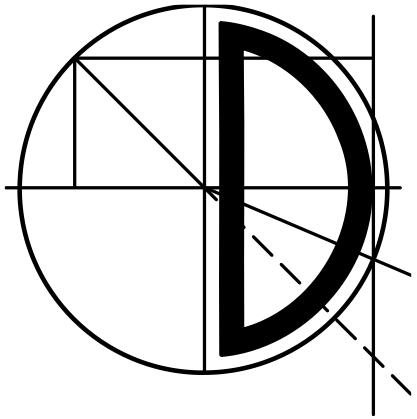

# Mailing list at http://descartes.tools/

## All measurements will be soon online on http://descartes.tools/chameleon

## For further information see the Auto-Scaler Tutorial @ http://descartes.tools/

# Systems Benchmarking

Metrics and benchmarks for quantitative evaluation of

1. Cloud elasticity
2. Performance isolation
3. Intrusion detection (and prevention)
4. ...

S. Kounev. **Quantitative Evaluation of Service Dependability in Shared Execution Environments** (Keynote Talk). In 11th Intl. Conf. on Quantitative Evaluation of SysTems (QEST 2014), Florence, Italy, September 8-12, 2014. [ slides | extended abstract ]


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# Cloud Elasticity

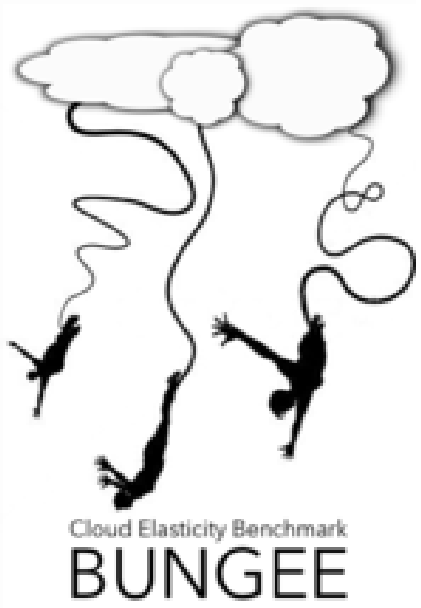
Def: The degree to which a system is able to **adapt** to **workload changes** by **provisioning and deprovisioning** resources in an **autonomic manner**, such that at each point in time the **available resources match** the **current demand** as closely as possible.

*N. Herbst, S. Kounev and R. Reussner*
***Elasticity in Cloud Computing: What it is, and What it is Not.***
*in Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Autonomic Computing (ICAC 2013), San Jose, CA, June 24-28, 2013.*
[ slides | http | .pdf ]

*http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elasticity_(cloud_computing)*

# BUNGEE Tool

- Problem: How to measure and quantify cloud elasticity?
- Framework for benchmarking elasticity
  - Current focus: IaaS cloud platforms

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# Standard Performance Evaluation Corporation

SPEC Research Group

- **Open-Systems-Group (OSG)**
  - Processor and computer architectures
  - Virtualization platforms
  - Java (JVM, Java EE)
  - Message-based systems
  - Storage systems (SFS)
  - Web-, email- and file server
  - SIP server (VoIP)
  - Cloud computing
- **High-Performance-Group (HPG)**
  - Symmetric multiprocessor systems
  - Workstation clusters
  - Parallel and distributed systems
  - Vector (parallel) supercomputers
- **“Graphics and Workstation Performance Group” (GWPG)**
  - CAD/CAM, visualization
  - OpenGL

http://www.spec.org


# SPEC Research Group (RG)

- Founded in March 2011: http://research.spec.org
  - Transfer of knowledge btw. academia and industry
- Activities
  - Methods and techniques for experimental system analysis
  - Standard metrics and measurement methodologies
  - Benchmarking and certification
  - Evaluation of academic research results
- Member organizations (Feb 2014)

# Summary

- Pressure to raise efficiency by sharing IT resources
- Resource sharing poses challenges
- 1st Generation Cloud Computing
  - **Simple trigger/rule-based mechanisms**
  - Best effort approach
  - No dependability guarantees
- **Novel model-based approaches** enable self-aware performance and resource management
  - proactive and predictable approach

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# Links for Further Information

- **DML** – Descartes Modeling Language (homepage, publications)
- **DML Bench** (homepage, publications)
- **DQL** – Declarative query language (homepage, publications)
- **DNI** – Descartes network infrastructure modeling (homepage, publications)
- **LibReDE** - Library for resource demand estimation (homepage, publications)
- **LIMBO** – Load intensity modeling tool (homepage, publications)
- **WCF** – Workload classification & forecasting tool (homepage, publications)
- **BUNGEE** – Elasticity benchmarking framework (homepage, publications)
- **hInjector** – Security benchmarking tool (homepage, publications)
- **Further relevant research**
  - **http://descartes-research.net/research/research_areas/**
  - **Self Aware Computing** (publications)