

Adaptive Disconnection Tolerant Opportunistic Networks and Systems

and Sensor Networks Clouds, SDNs and Mobile Edge Networking Examples

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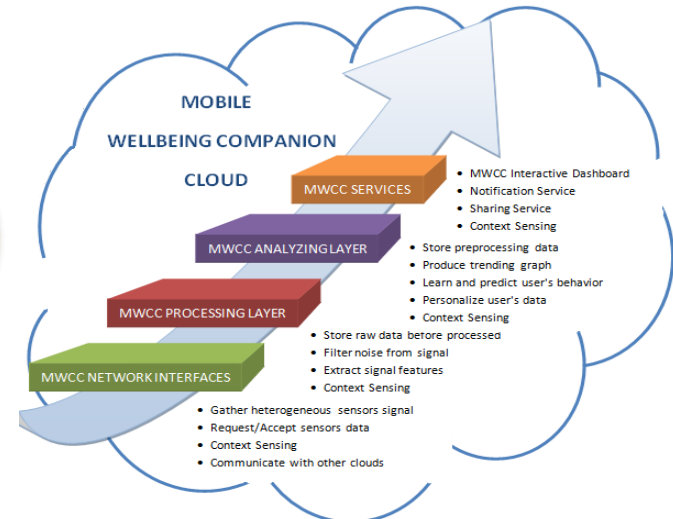
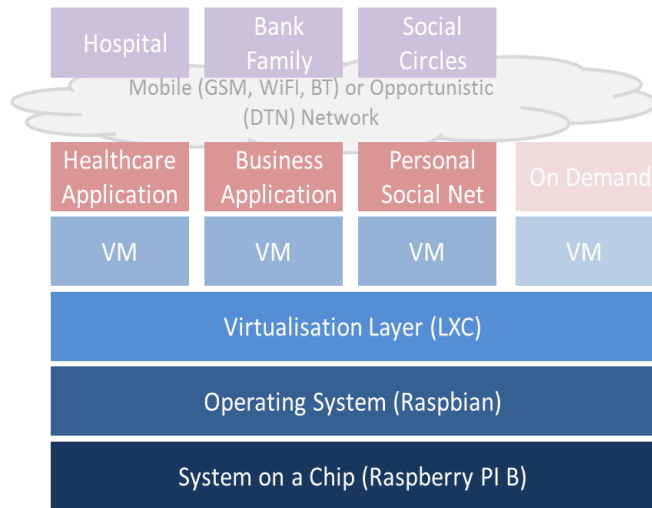
Smart Era

- We live in the era where end devices are capable of learning, predicting the patterns of behaviour of other devices and resources, and dynamically sharing the resources
- My research interest spans the areas of intelligent and distributed systems that are agile and adaptive to users' demands and dynamic patterns of the underlying networks.
- Particular focus is on how to achieve
 - **Mass scaleability and reliability**
 - **Self organisation**
 - **Low cost**
 - **Energy Efficiency**
 - **Congestion awareness**
 - **Self organised security**



Smart World and Smart Mobile Edges, Fogs and Clouds

- I have been awarded multiple EPSRC and EU grants for my research
- I have collaborated with University of Cambridge, INTEL Research, Philips, Microsoft Research, Ford, Fraunhofer Institute, UPV, Arizona University, Clarkson University, National Chiao Tung University Hsinchu, Taiwan



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Distributed Partial Mixing, PhD (1998 – 2001)

- Funded by British Telecom, I have explored designing and building multimedia support for large scale distributed teleconferencing systems and heterogeneous users.
- I proposed a self-organised P2P audio service for **interactive** and **collaborative audio** that **adaptively mixes audio streams** to achieve **interflow network fairness** and is **responsive to user** and **application needs**.
- This work has been patented internationally.

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New Communications Paradigm as Foundation of Pervasive Networking

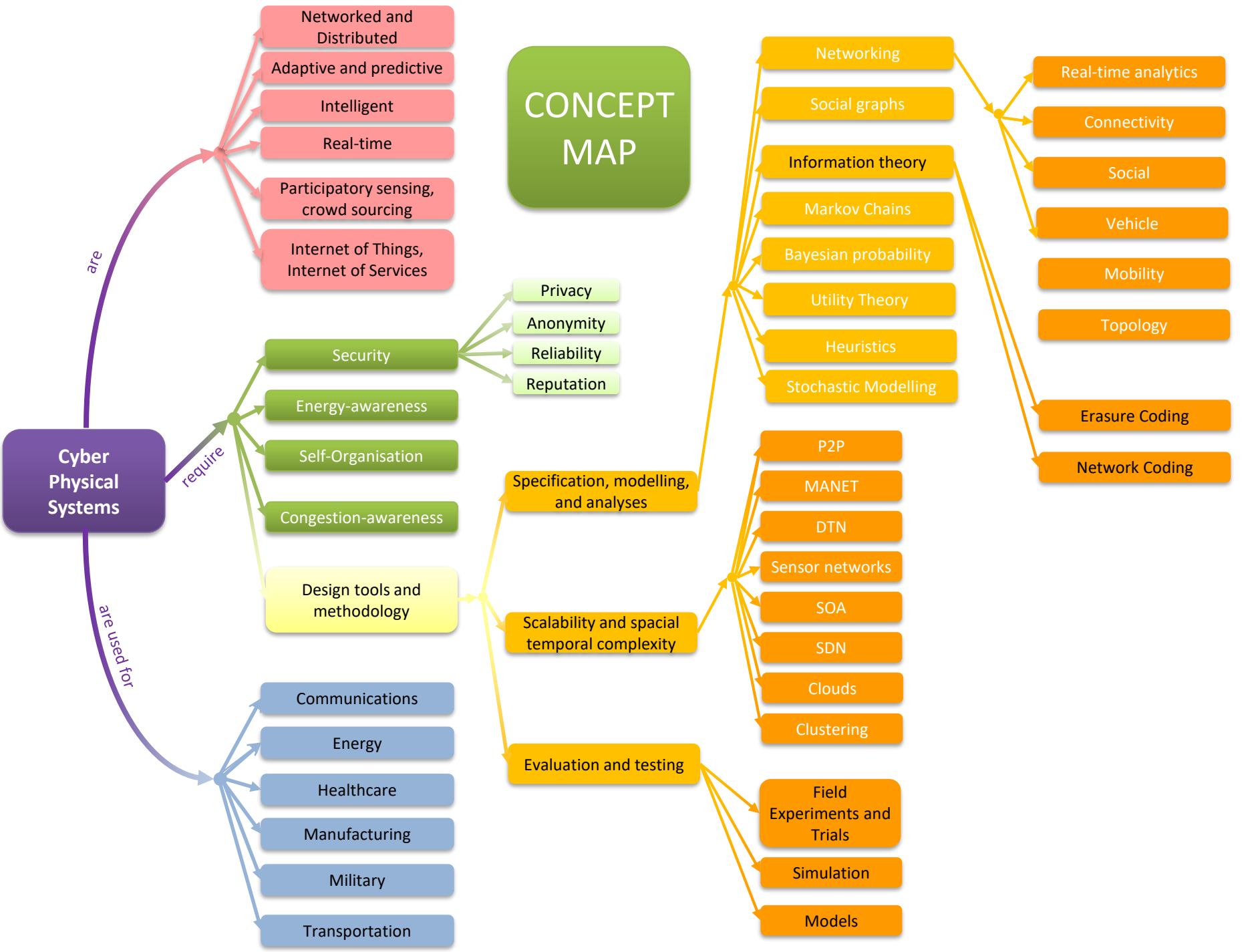
(First Grant, 2006 EP/D062659/1)

- Funded by EPSRC, I have been exploring how to enable communication in **remote** and **urban** areas by designing and building mobile DTN opportunistic networks and services.
- This brought a new set of challenges including unpredictable disconnections and surges of network traffic, energy and bandwidth starvation as well as weak security.
- Utilising network and social geo-temporal complex graph theory together with **real-time predictive stream analytics**, we proposed new intelligent data dissemination and query approaches that support interactive multimedia applications and services that are
 - Energy aware
 - Secure, privacy aware
 - Congestion aware

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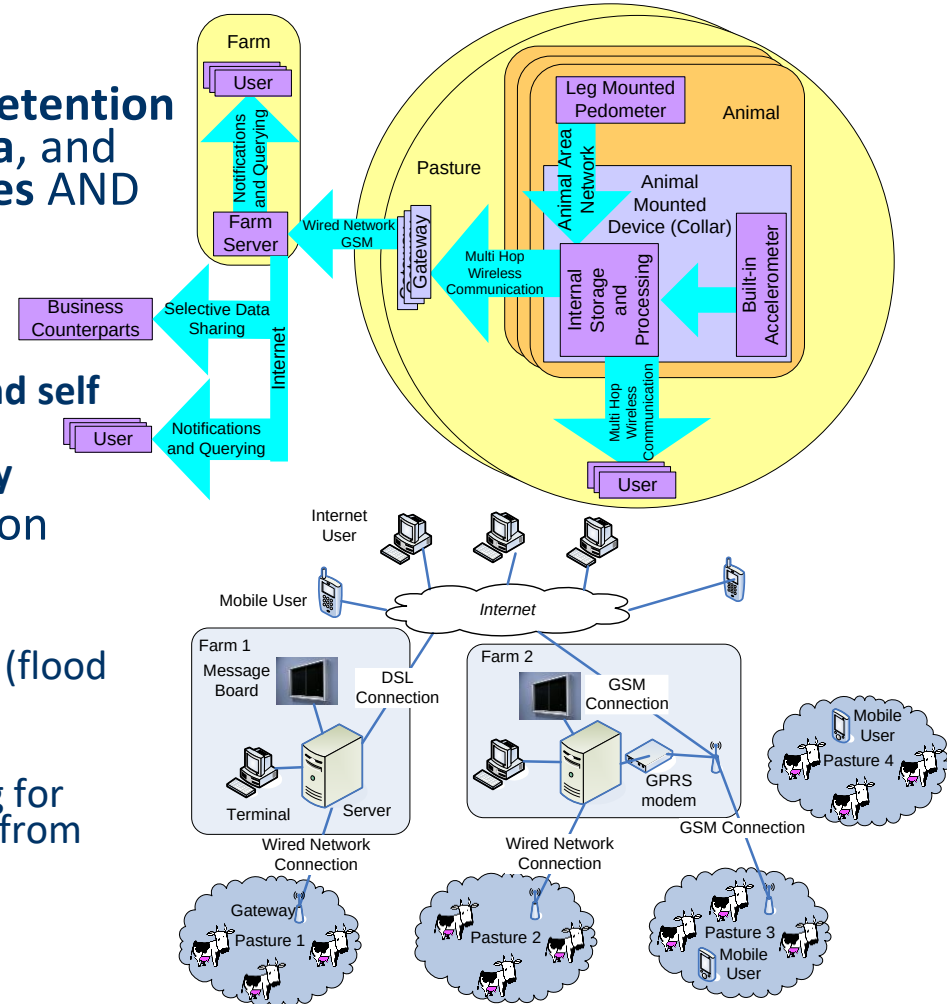


CONCEPT MAP



Energy Efficient Continuous Monitoring of Animal Health

- Objectives:
 - **Energy efficient dissemination and retention of multidimensional continuous data**, and support for **in situ** and **remote queries** AND
 - Significant saving for the cost of infrastructure
- Unstable paths from sources to sinks
 - **Sensors mounted on animals cooperate and self organise to forward and disseminate data**
 - **Important to save energy on path discovery**
- Minimizing and balancing energy utilisation
 - New adaptive control of transmitter power
 - Cooperative detection of route availability
 - Passive Clustering with Delayed intelligence (flood control)
 - Selecting routes with longest lifetime
 - Delaying non urgent data exchanges waiting for acquisition of a valid route to a target node from overheard or forwarded packets
 - Using movement patterns



Milena Radenkovic, Bartosz Wietrzyk: Mobile Ad Hoc Networking Approach to Detecting and Querying Events Related to Farm Animals. ICNS 2006: 109

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Moving from Small and Medium Scale to Mass Scale Sensor Monitoring

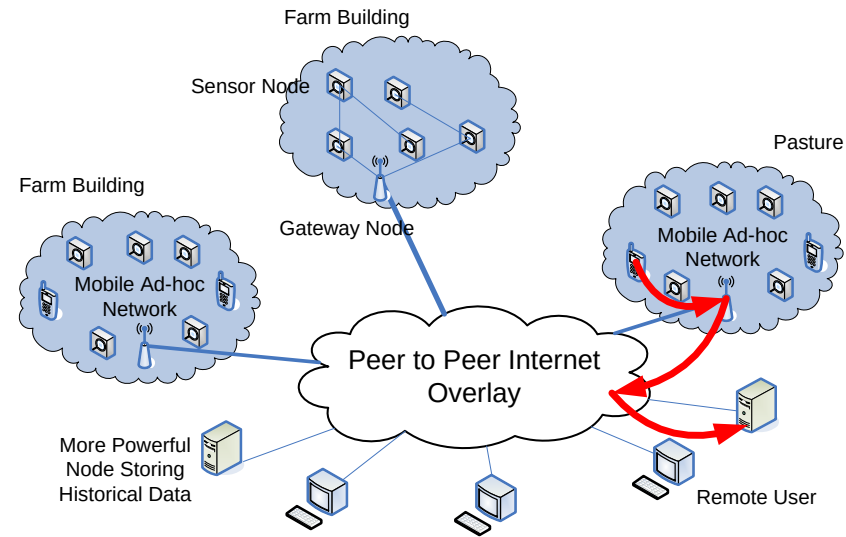
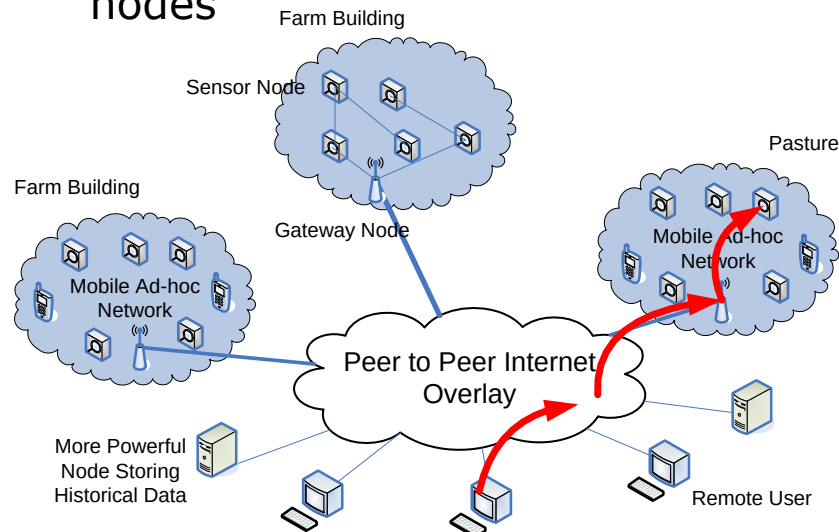
- Novel Distributed Hash Tables (DHT) **substrate** (Layer 3 routing) optimised for data storage and query in mobile and disconnection prone environments
 - New algorithms for self organised caching to improve data store and query and new addressing schemes
 - Passive caching dependant on nodes' storage strategies and proactive caching (with beam packets for a certain time interval)
- Novel locality preserving Distributed Hash Tables (DHT) **overlays** optimised for mobility and disconnections
 - New algorithms for forwarding and replication that utilise heterogeneity of nodes
 - Opportunistic utilization of locally available resources



DHT Substrate to address low cost data communication for high mobility and disconnections

■ State

- Contains data related to animal's health and location
- Is identified by animal's ID (combination of location anchor and time)
- Every node stores its own state and up to k states from other nodes



■ Objective

- route a message to a node with the ID numerically closest to its ID

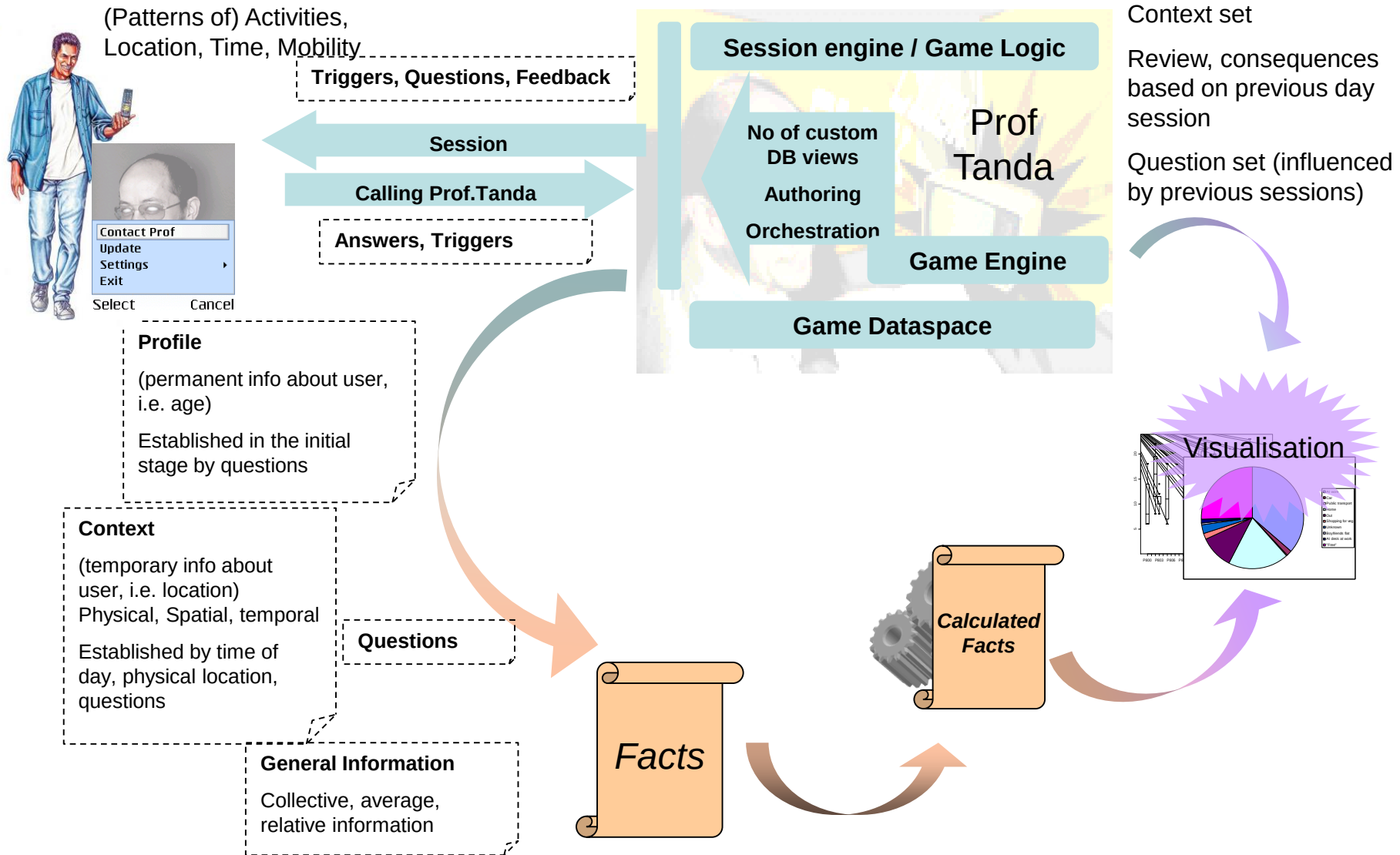
■ Results

- Success ratio twice as high as state of art work in the case of increased mobility and disconnections while not increasing network overhead



Grassroot On-demand Sensing and Context Capture

Funded by EPSRC, PARTICIPATE, CI, (2006)



Sensor Cloud Testbed Prototypes

- 80 Raspberry Pi B
- 40 Pis with Raspberry Pi camera board
- 40 pis with sensors boards. Each sensor board has:
 - Low power 3D magnetometer,
 - 3-Axis digital accelerometer,
 - temperature / high precision pressure sensor
- Pi: ARM710, 700MHz, 512MB RAM, 8GB SD Card



Sensor Cloud exposes Selsus Components as services and provides access to raw and processed sensor data and events



http://mvrpi0....shboard01.html

mvrpi0.mrl.nottingham.ac.uk/dashboard01.html

SelSus Sensor Testbed Dashboard

MEMS Sensors Status

malina-sens-mems-01	malina-sens-mems-02	malina-sens-mems-03	malina-sens-mems-04	malina-sens-mems-05
malina-sens-mems-06	malina-sens-mems-07	malina-sens-mems-08	malina-sens-mems-09	malina-sens-mems-10

Camera Sensors Status

malina-sens-came-01	malina-sens-came-02	malina-sens-came-03	malina-sens-came-04	malina-sens-came-05

[SUBMIT QUERY](#)

malina-sens-mems-02 sensors readings (Wed Sep 10 21:16:28 UTC 2014)

MMA8491Q: X. -23 mg Y. 55 mg Z. 1058 mg
MAG3110: X. -47 uT Y. 39 uT Z. -9 uT
MPL3115: Alt. -41.76 Temp: 32.32

malina-sens-mems-09 sensors readings (Wed Sep 10 21:16:31 UTC 2014)

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MAG3110: X. -11 uT Y. -1 uT Z. 13 uT
MPL3115: Alt. -42.2 Temp: 32.0

[RRD Data ...](#)

Milena Radenkovic: Cognitive Privacy for Personal Clouds. Mobile Information Systems 2016: 7107103:1-7107103:17 (2016)

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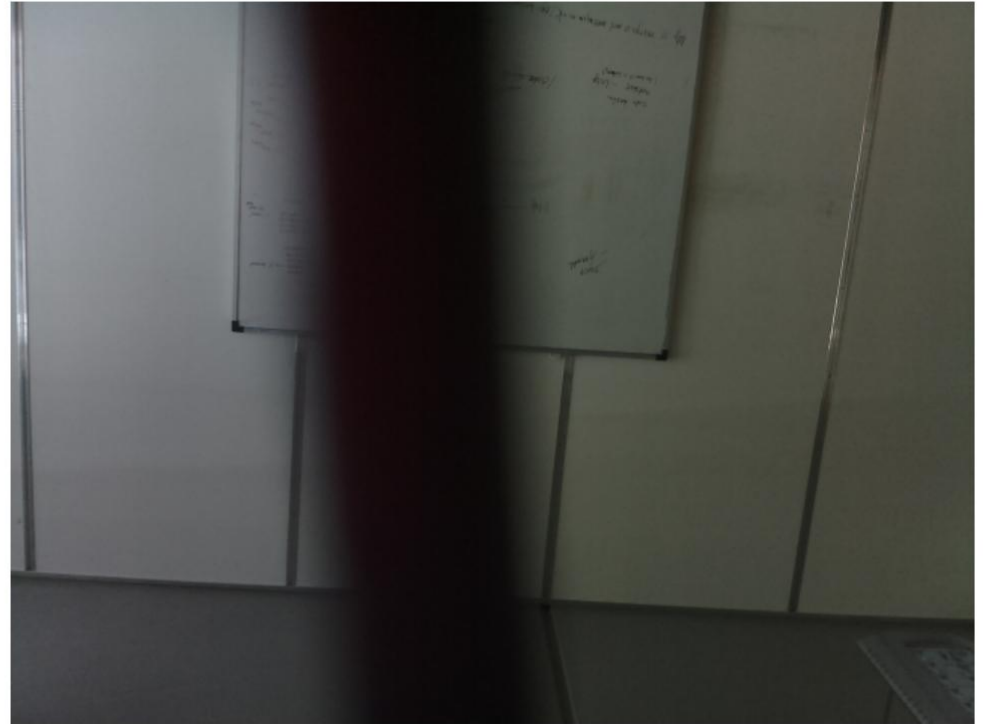
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Camera Sensors Status

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 malina-sens-came-03 camera snapshot (Thu Sep 11 09:17:16 UTC 2014)



 malina-sens-came-05 camera snapshot (Thu Sep 11 09:17:24 UTC 2014)



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Camera Sensors Status

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**malina-sens-mems-02 sensors readings (Thu Sep 11 09:20:16 UTC 2014)**

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MPL3115: Alt. -50.76 Temp: 30.24

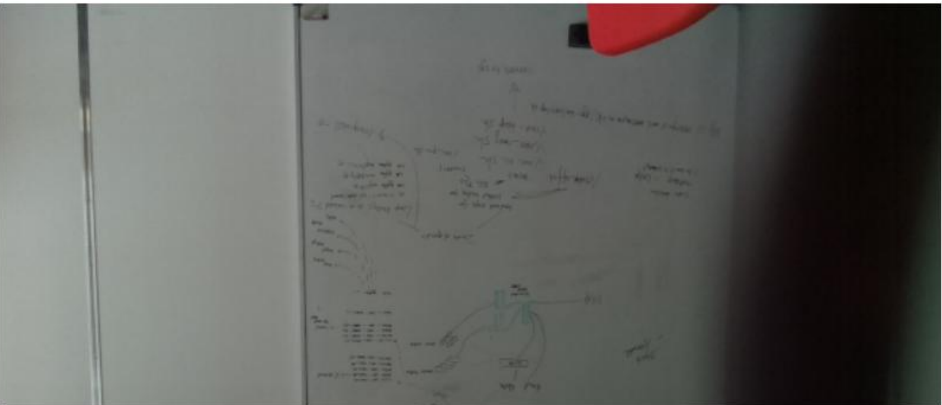
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**malina-sens-came-01 camera snapshot (Thu Sep 11 09:20:22 UTC 2014)**



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Camera Sensors Status

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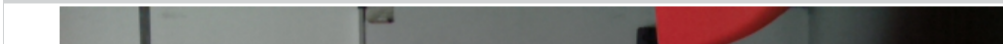
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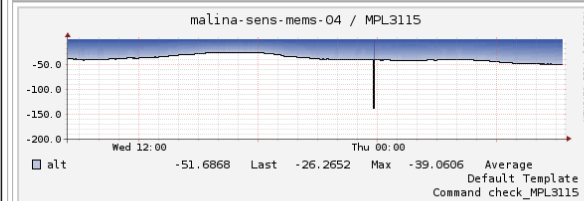


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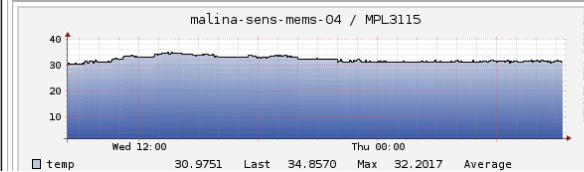
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25 Hours 10.09.14 8:21 - 11.09.14 9:21

Datasource: alt



Datasource: temp



Search

Actions



My basket

Basket is empty

Status

Host: malina-sens-mems-04

Service: MPL3115

Last Check: 11.09.14 9:18

Time ranges

- Overview
- One Hour
- 4 Hours
- 25 Hours
- One Week
- One Month
- One Year

Services

- MAG3110
- MMA8491Q
- MPL3115

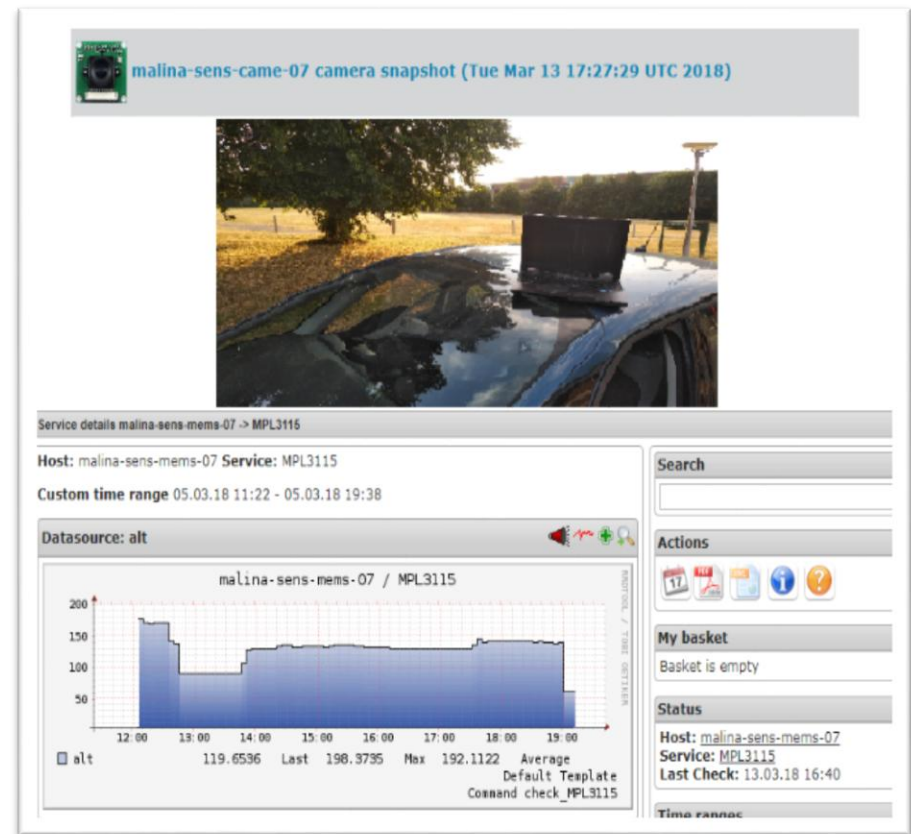
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Congestion in DTN Opportunistic Networks

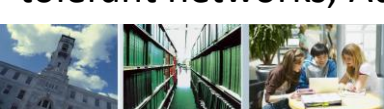


Defining Congestion in Mobile Opportunistic Networks

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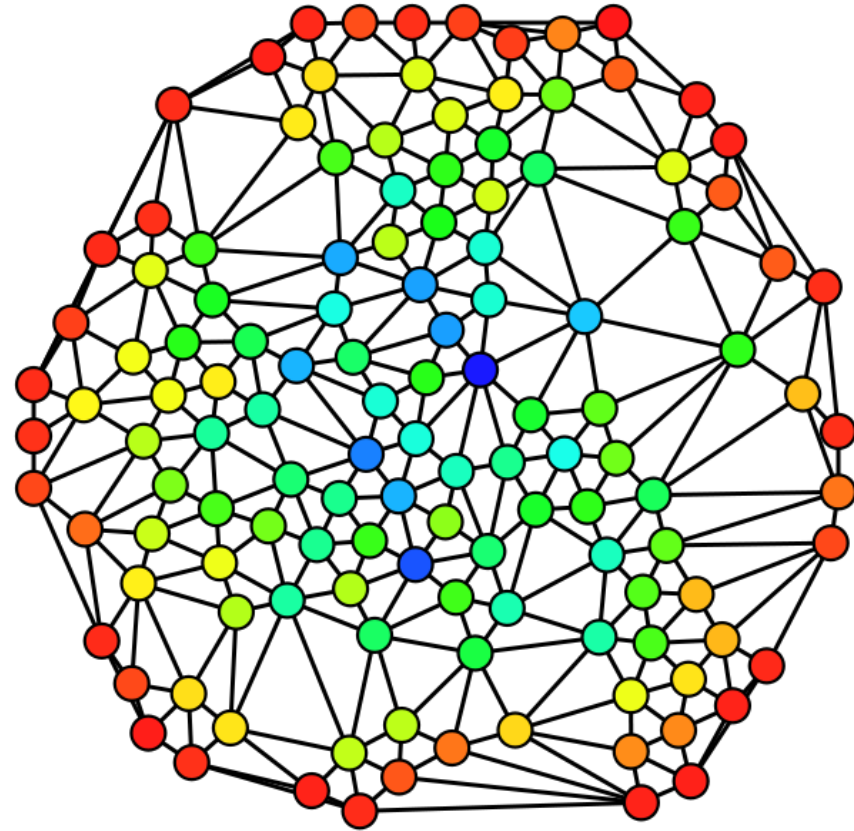
- Funded by EPSRC, I have explored approaches for scaling mobile opportunistic network.
- A number of **social network analysis techniques** have been successfully applied in mobile opportunistic networks in order to increase the “**probability to deliver**” to a destination node and to minimise **delays**.
- Our work has identified that using social metric only leads to the **load unfairly being distributed** towards nodes which are **better connected**.
- Unfair load distribution and high unrestricted volumes of traffic can **produce single node** (RSUs, Aps) and **network wide congestion**. This can cause the networks to quickly become unusable.
- It is essential to take **resources** into account: distributed **real time predictive analytics of temporal and spatial resources**, and prediction is key

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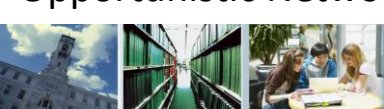


Spatial-Temporal Social Complex Graphs

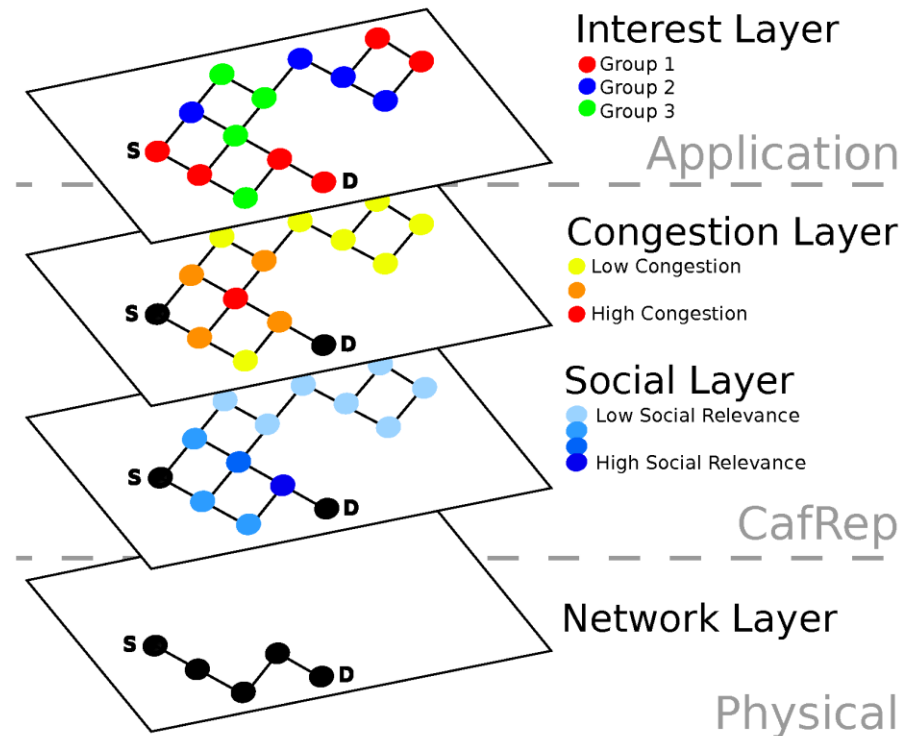
- Metrics :
 - Complex social network theory
 - Centrality
 - Contact similarity
 - Betweens
 - Tie strength
- Keep directionality with forwarding
- Improve delivery probability
- but do not solve congestion, energy and fairness problems



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Congestion Aware forwarding and Replication (CaFReP)



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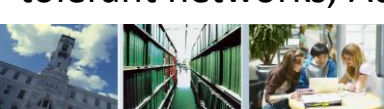
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Novel Congestion Aware Forwarding and Replication CafRep

- Adaptive forwarding and resource pooling
 - Detect and predict congesting nodes and parts of the network
 - Move away the traffic from the congested nodes and parts of the network into freer parts of the network
 - Adapt in-network sending rates (determine exact number of messages to send based on the prediction of the network state)
- Combines three types of implicit analytics and heuristics:
 - Social (contact analytics),
 - Node congestion (predictive storage and delay)
 - Ego network congestion (temporal and spatial regional prediction of resources)
- Fully open loop
- Fully localised
- Relative utility based

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Fault and Disconnection Aware Smart Sensing (FDASS) Framework



Challenges in Large Scale Sensor Networks

- Motivation for Smart Architecture

Funded by EC Selsus, 2014-2018

- Efficiency of the static multi-layered architecture is limited
- Given potentially disconnected topology or faulty nodes, it is crucial that the faulty nodes are discovered quickly, avoided and notifications provided
- Large-scale sensor networks raise new demands for
 - reliable data communication,
 - distributed storage and processing of information,
 - especially where they involve mobile and disconnection prone sensors, diverse sensing technologies and span multiple organisations.
- We propose new distributed architectures to support future sensor networks to enable smart manufacturing.

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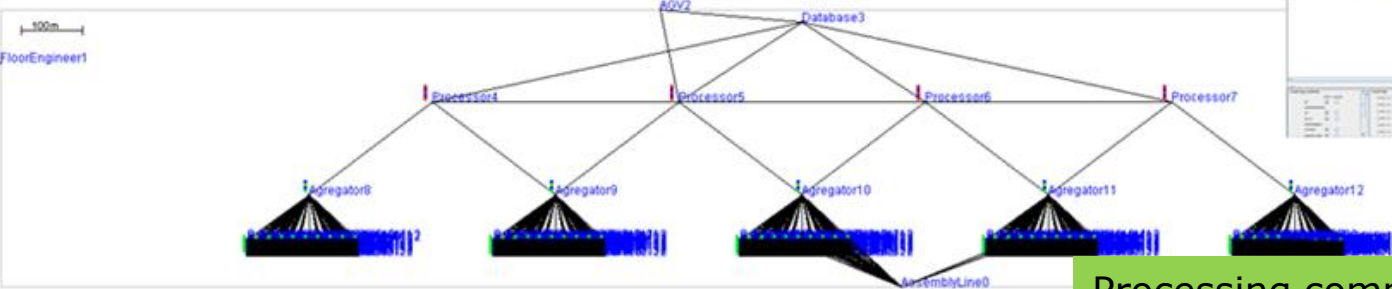


FP7 SeISus FDASS Architecture - Overview

Basic requirements and challenges :

- constant long term monitoring
- limited maintenance and deployment cost
- high reliability

Central node/database stores both real time and historic data and its rich provenance, can detect the user defined events and issue notifications about these events.



Aggregating components can store, statistically analyze sensor measurements, forward them to other nodes and send notifications.

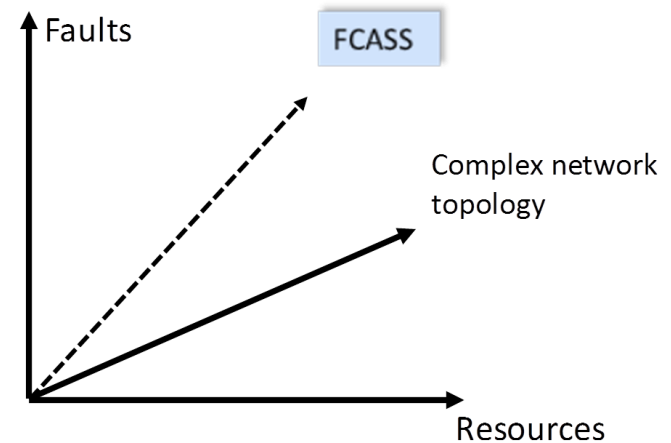
Processing components can store and perform more complex intelligent distributed algorithms for predictions and communications as well as issue notifications.

Aggregators and Processors can collaborate with sensors, Automated Guided Vehicles (AGV), Floor Engineers (FEs) and Assembly Line (AL) and Assembly Station (AS), to collect, store, process and forward raw and processed data. AGV, FE and AL are mobile sinks and can issues a range of simple and complex queries regarding both local and global updates.

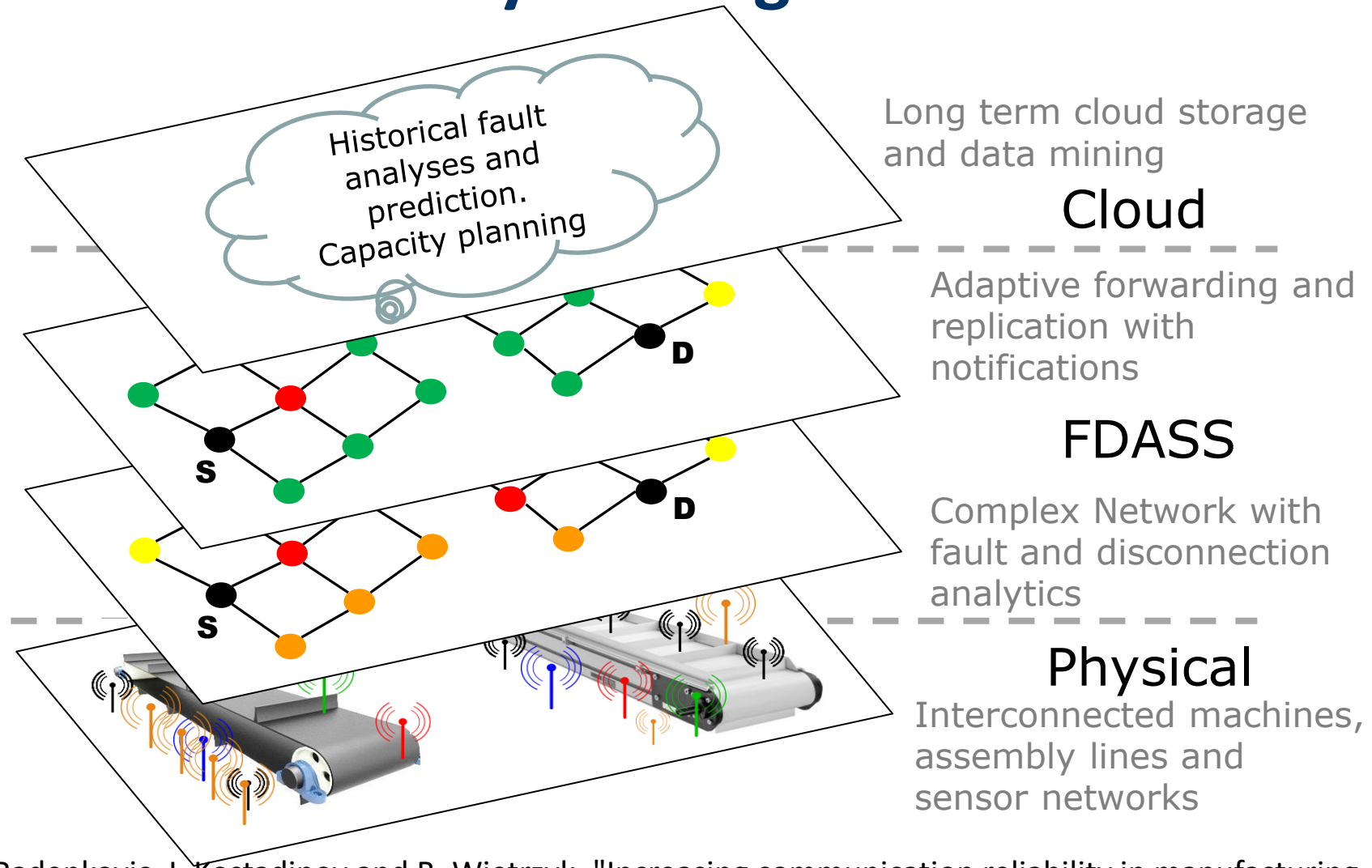


Fault and Disconnection Aware Smart Sensing (FDASS) Framework

- Unified adaptive fault-aware forwarding and replication management framework for complex sensor networks in manufacturing environments includes:
 - Intelligent routing improves reliability of the manufacturing plant in the face of varying, non-uniform faults that can be of different types
 - Ability to identify misperforming nodes and regions in a fully distributed fashion in order to:
 - Isolate problem areas,
 - reroute traffic away from them,
 - notify sinks about the types of failures, their location and time while maintaining:
 - resource efficiency
 - low delays and
 - avoiding congestion



FDASS Multi Layer Design

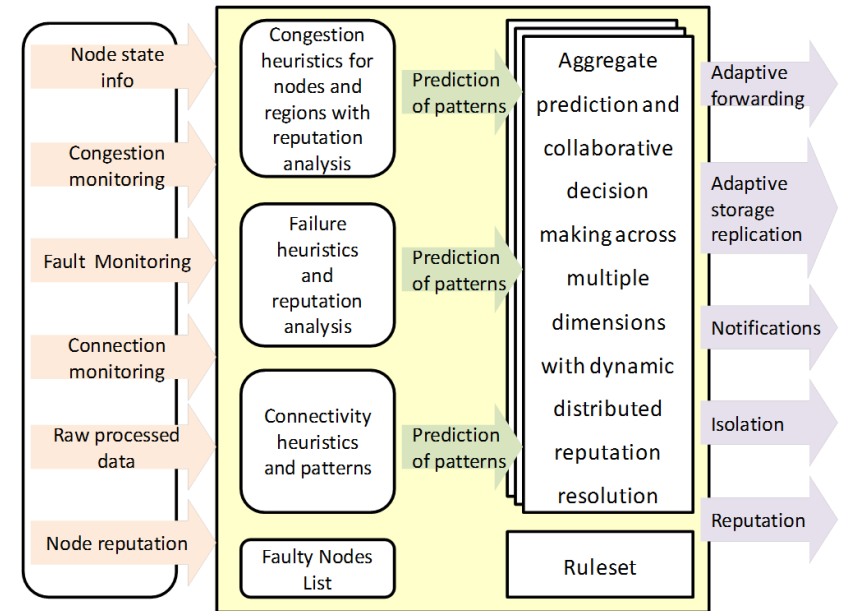


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FDASS node overview

- Retentiveness refers to predicting node's and region's remaining available storage
- Receptiveness refers to in-network delays which is important indication that a node or a region has volume of traffic greater than it can handle.
- Fault Likelihood, Congesting and Disconnection Rate signals predict how likely is it that a node/region is likely to get faulty, congested, disconnected
 - core for helping to ensure reliability and stability
- FCASS allows nodes to aggregate fault and resource observations disseminated by neighbours in order to form dynamic regional perspective of the network



Distributed reputation used to reflect node ratings :

- Both direct and indirect reputation used to quickly isolate faulty nodes and help converge the reputation across all the nodes:
 - local/regional distributed reputation resolution
 - Network wide reputation resolution



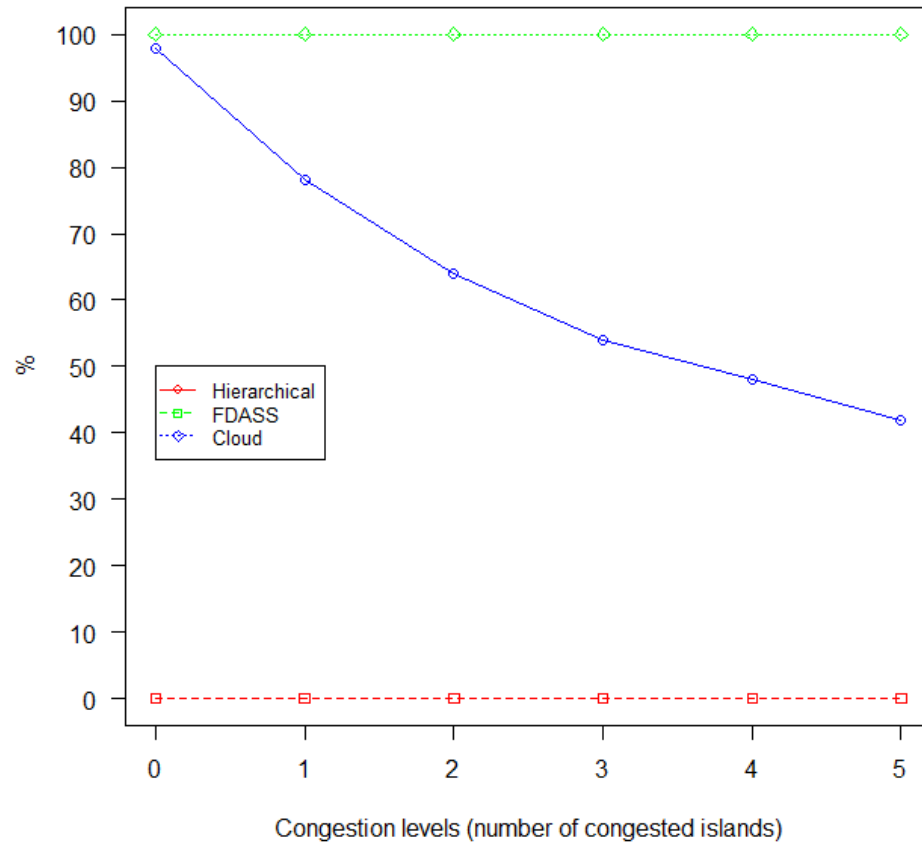
Fault Heuristics and Collaboration

- Driven by fault profiles analysis that is based on similarity of tuples of attributes:
 - Location
 - nodeID,
 - time interval,
 - event-category,
 - summary vector
 - Which nodes exchange when they exchange data.
- Fault profile similarity is based on the number of matched profile attributes versus the number of total attributes (L), denoted as FaultSimilarity
- In this way, nodes can learn faster about:
 - potentially multiple different faults occurring on the same node, or
 - the same fault occurring at different times or in different regions.
- Through collaboration the nodes and better understanding of the type of the faults, the nodes can faster decide on the actions

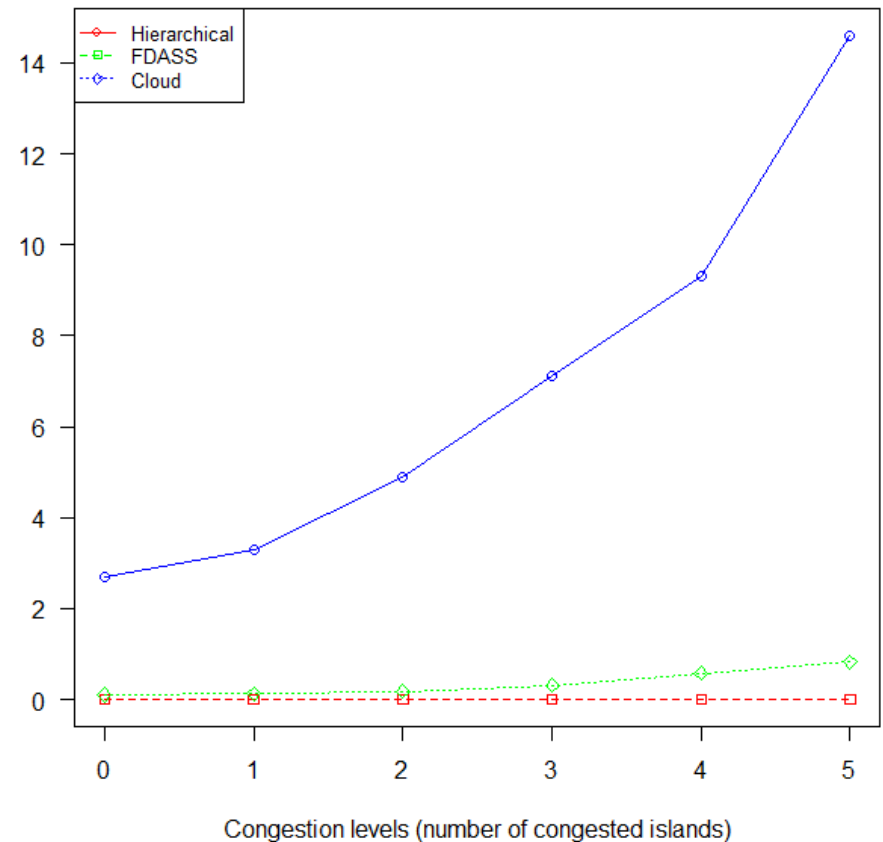


Failure Detection Rates and Reporting Delays

Failure Detection Rates

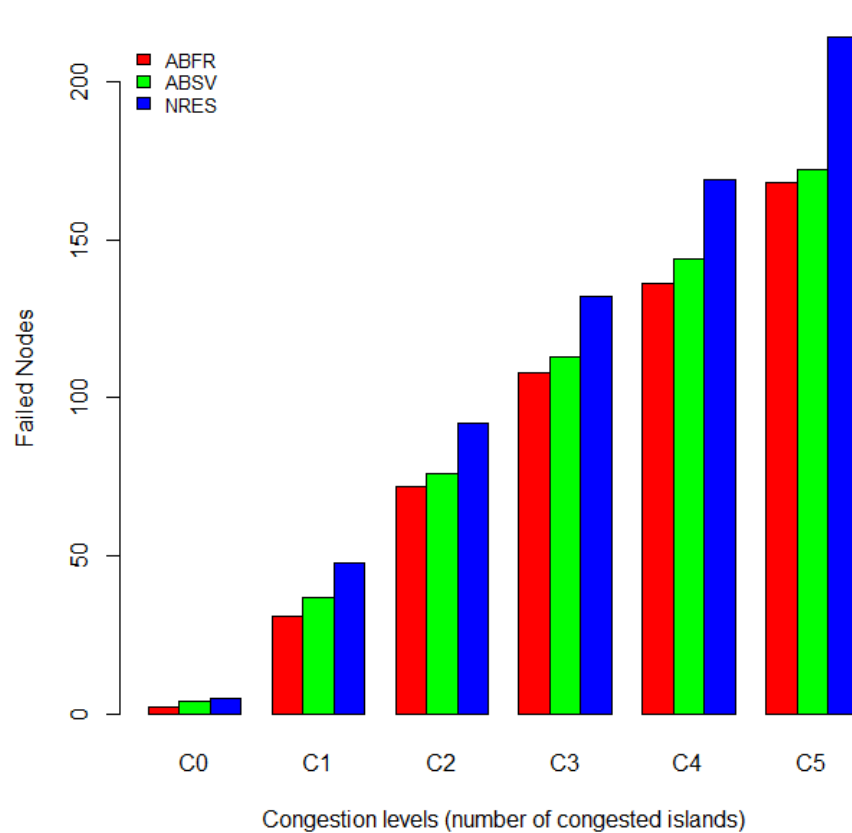


Failure Detection/Reporting Delays

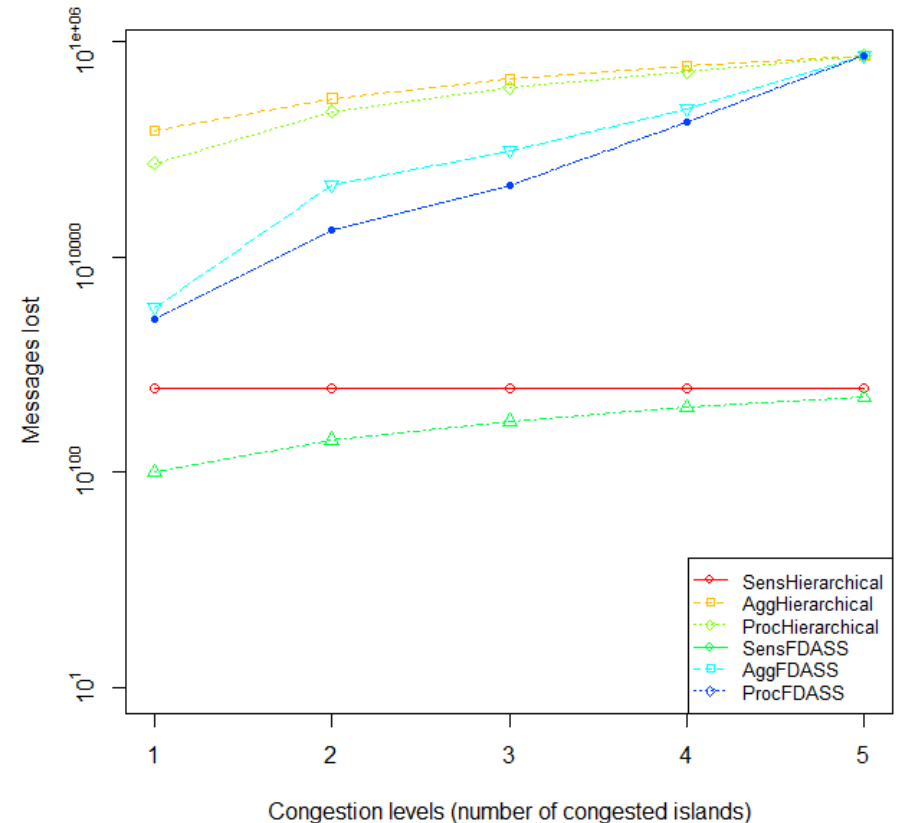


Identifying Failure Types and Measuring Failure Effects

Failure Types

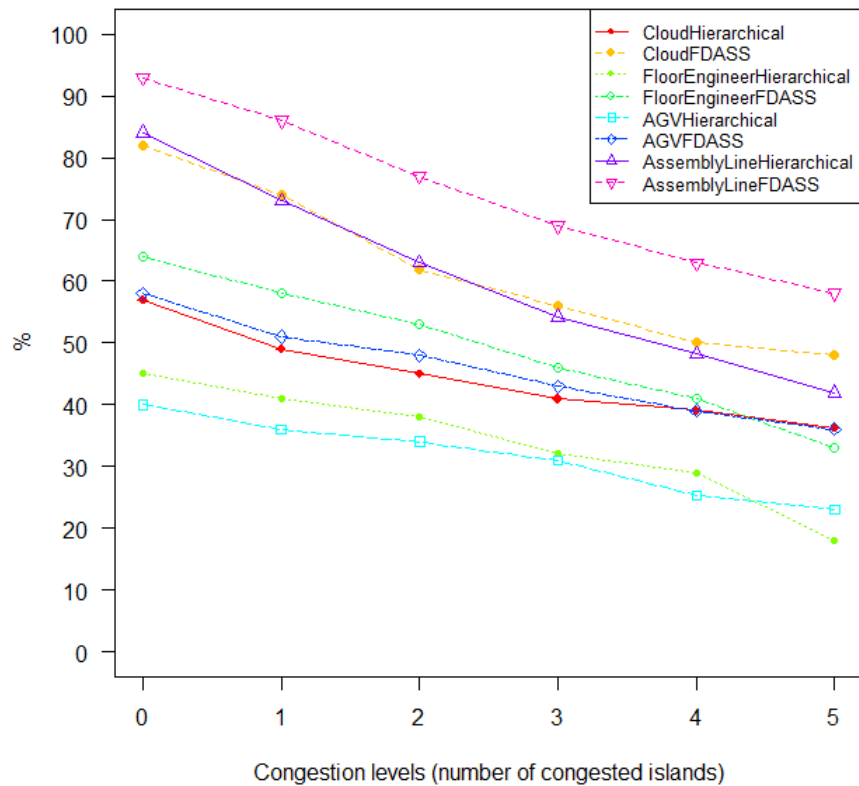


Node Failure Effect

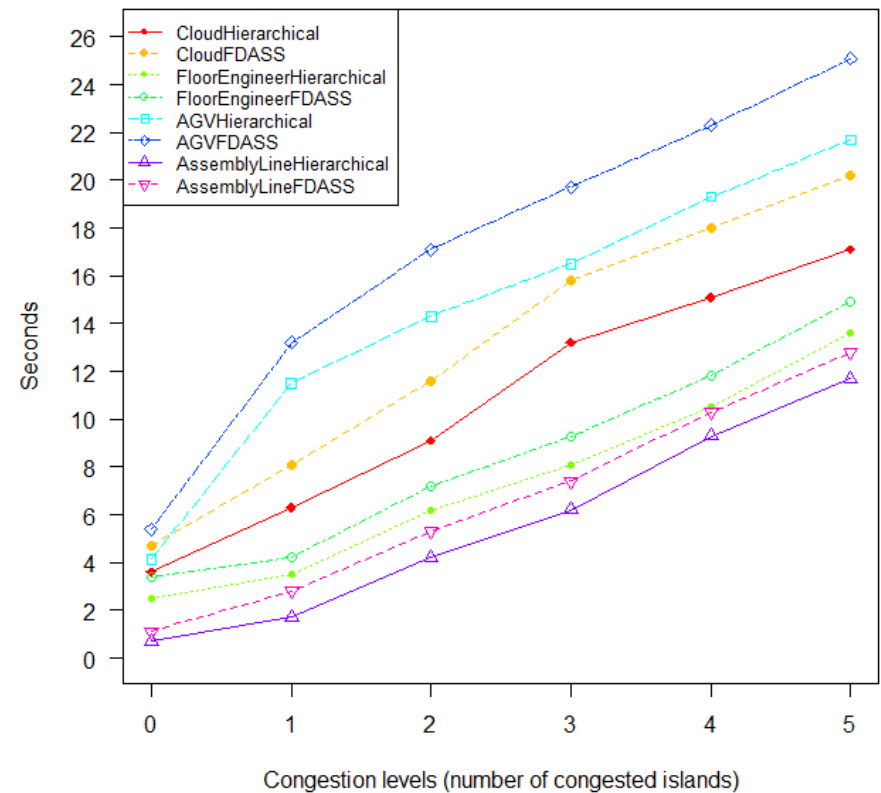


Success Ratios and Delivery Delays

Success Ratio



Delivery Delays



Self organised Security, Trust and Privacy



Self organised Security, Trust and Privacy

I have been working on self-organised protocols that are aware of real life **social connectivity**, **mobility patterns** and **node behaviour** and utilised them for the purpose of intelligent, efficient and **self organised reliable trust building** (via distributed reputation) and data communication.

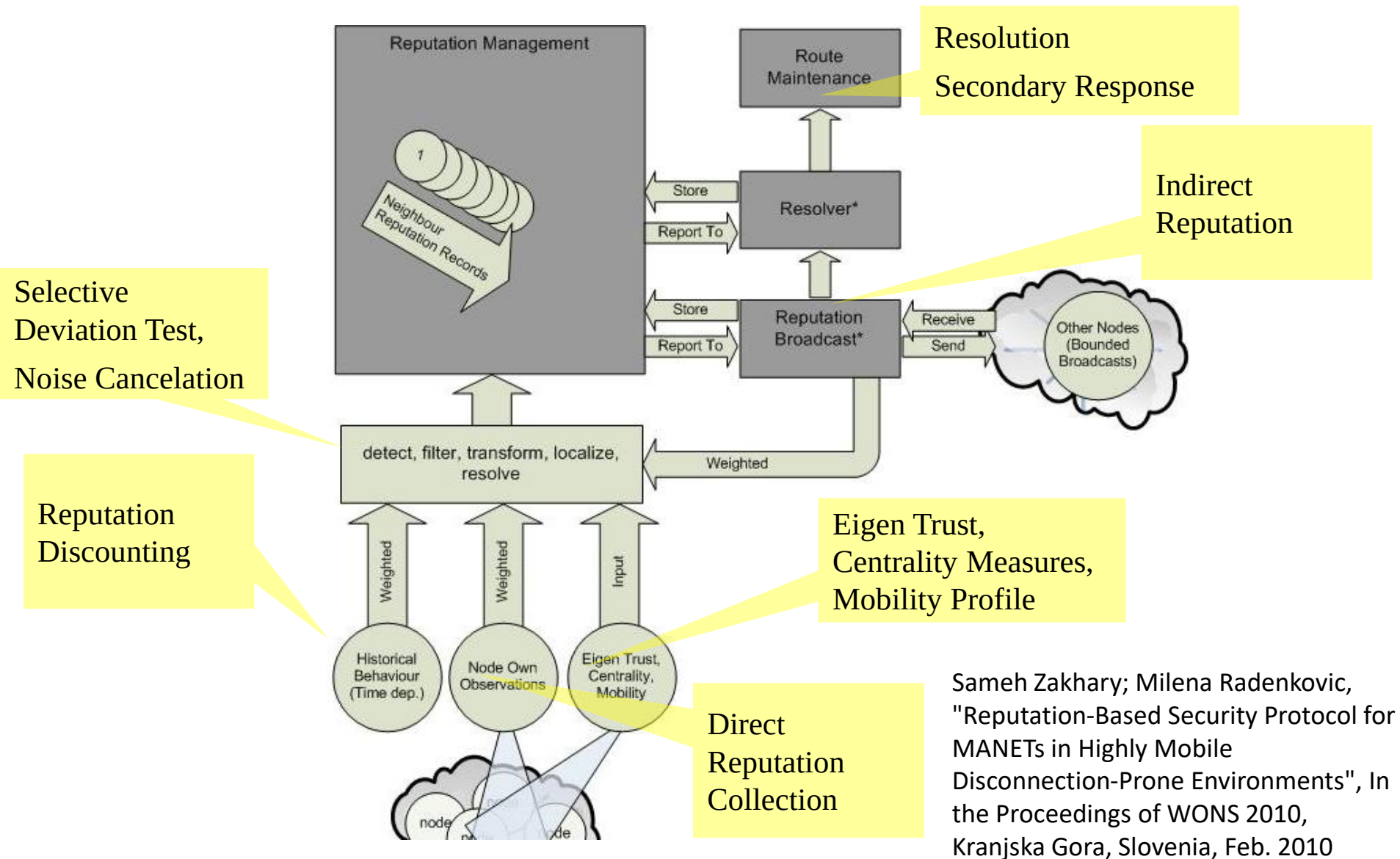
- With the open data paradigm of the era we live in, the privacy issues become significantly more challenging, especially in terms of **identity and location anonymity**.
- Enabling these is the key for many pervasive technologies being adopted by the users and services being deployed.

Radenkovic, M.; Benslimane, A.; McAuley, D., "Reputation Aware Obfuscation for Mobile Opportunistic Networks," Parallel and Distributed Systems, IEEE Transactions on , vol.PP, no.99, pp.1,1, 2014

Benslimane, A.; Radenkovic, M.; Zakhary, S., "Efficient Location Privacy-Aware Forwarding in Opportunistic Mobile Networks," Vehicular Technology, IEEE Transactions on , vol.PP, no.99, pp.1,1, 0, 2014



Self-organised Trust Building



Anonymity through Obfuscation

- This (typically) refers to how to “hide” a user among **more** users (e.g. Tor chooses obfuscating users randomly or via social links taken from user’s “friends” from e.g. Facebook)
- We extend that concept so that we hide the user among **both** higher number of users **and more diverse** users to minimise predictability



Strong Anonymity has to be Responsive – AdaptAnon

- In order to provide **strong anonymity** for
 - changing underlying topologies (both dense and sparse),
 - mobility patterns (both vehicular and walking) and
 - user interests (both isolated queries and mass queries when events happen)
- AdaptAnon needs to be responsive and adaptive to all the above metrics.
- We dynamically combine three types of implicit **fully localized heuristics** that enable better identify and select anonymisation nodes (based on local monitoring, analytics and predictions)
- Because improving anonymity can have negative impact on success ratio and latency of the user-service communication (e.g. Successfully delivered and queries),
- it is essential to **dynamically balance the tradeoffs** between the **anonymity** and **the actual quality of service**

Milena Radenkovic, Ivan Vaghi, Adaptive User Anonymity for Mobile Opportunistic Networks, CHANTS 2012, ACM MobiCom Workshop on Challenged Networks August 22, 2012, Istanbul, Turkey, DOI: 10.1145/2348616.2348635



AdaptAnon Analytics Example

- Each node monitors and performs multiple analytics of a range of parameters including:
 - How often the next hop has anonymised it
 - How often the next hop has anonymised it for a particular service
 - How often it has anonymised other nodes
 - How often it has anonymised other nodes for this service
 - Calculates the ratio of how often the node has anonymised a particular source for a particular service versus all other nodes for all other services
- Aim is to allow
 - Adaptive reuse of the anaonymisation nodes
 - And keep balance between re-using the same nodes and the nodes that already have experience in performing the anonymisation service



AdaptAnon Real Time Testing



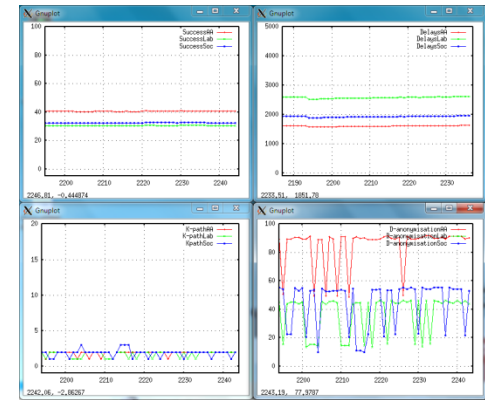
Our live demonstration of AdaptAnon uses the Cabspotter API to retrieve real-time coordinate based position updates describing the movement of mobile nodes (SF taxi cabs).

We show that:

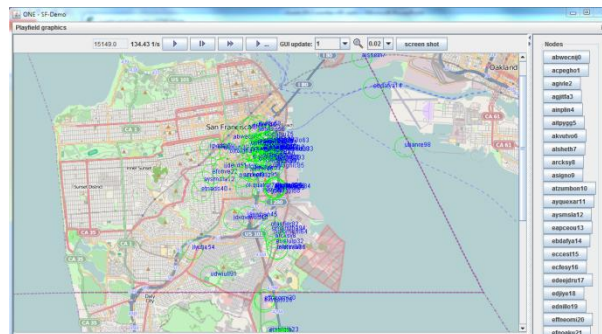
- live AdaptAnon achieves high quality of anonymisation and high quality of service
- real time “privacy analytics” is feasible

CabSpottingMovementReader

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RealTimeReport



Location Anonymity through Obfuscation – Markov Proximity

- We proposed a novel fully distributed and collaborative K-anonymity protocol (LPAF) for managing location privacy in mobile opportunistic environments.
- We use lightweight multi hop Markov-based stochastic model for location prediction to ensure that messages are forwarded closer to the LBS's location.
- Each node on the obfuscation path maintains a temporal mapping table
- Each node calculates and shares “Multi-hop Markov Proximity” (MMP) upon an encounter
- Nodes calculate this probability by combining:
 - Visiting the LBS location directly (MP).
 - The average combined probability of possible future contacts (Other friends' MP probability)

Benslimane, A.; Radenkovic, M.; Zakhary, S., "Efficient Location Privacy-Aware Forwarding in Opportunistic Mobile Networks," Vehicular Technology, IEEE Transactions on , vol.PP, no.99, pp.1,1, 0, 2014



Cognitive Vehicular Charging



Motivation and Open Questions for Smart Vehicular Charging

- As the popularity of electronic vehicles (EVs) increases, **demand on the existing electrical grid** is set to rise **leading to more frequent power surges**.
- There are multiple **research, government and industry initiatives** which aim to make **electric vehicles more sustainable and scalable**.
- For example, proposals for Smart Grids (SGs) integration with EVs (by supporting two way energy flows and two way communication flows (e.g. V2G) is a promising way forward.
- However, most of the current Smart Grid proposals focus is **on centralized SG management and optimization via SDNs and centralized scheduling (e.g. EVPP, Danish Edison Project)**.
- **Social vehicle charging** is another approach which aims to enable **V2V charging**, however it also encompasses **centralized decision making and optimization which assumes a priori global knowledge of vehicle schedules and coordinates**.

Milena Radenkovic and Adam Walker. 2018. CognitiveCharge: Disconnection tolerant adaptive collaborative and predictive vehicular charging. In Proceedings of the 4th ACM MobiHoc Workshop on Experiences with the Design and Implementation of Smart Objects (SMARTOBJECTS '18). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, Article 2, 1–9., 2018

Milena Radenkovic, Vu San Ha Huynh, Energy-Aware Opportunistic Charging and Energy Distribution for Sustainable Vehicular Edge and Fog Networks, The Fifth International Conference on Fog and Mobile Edge Computing (FMEC 2020), 30 Jun - 03 Jul 2020, Paris, France



Open questions and Challenges

- Centralized decision making and assumption of a priori knowledge do not allow for
 - distributed real time responsive adaptation and
 - fairness of distributed dynamic charging supply and demand patterns.
- Previous research has shown that **centralized optimization and global optimum** are
 - not suitable for highly dynamic disconnection prone topologies which vehicular networks form and that
 - attaining a global optimum often disadvantages some parties e.g. nodes may be unfairly exploited



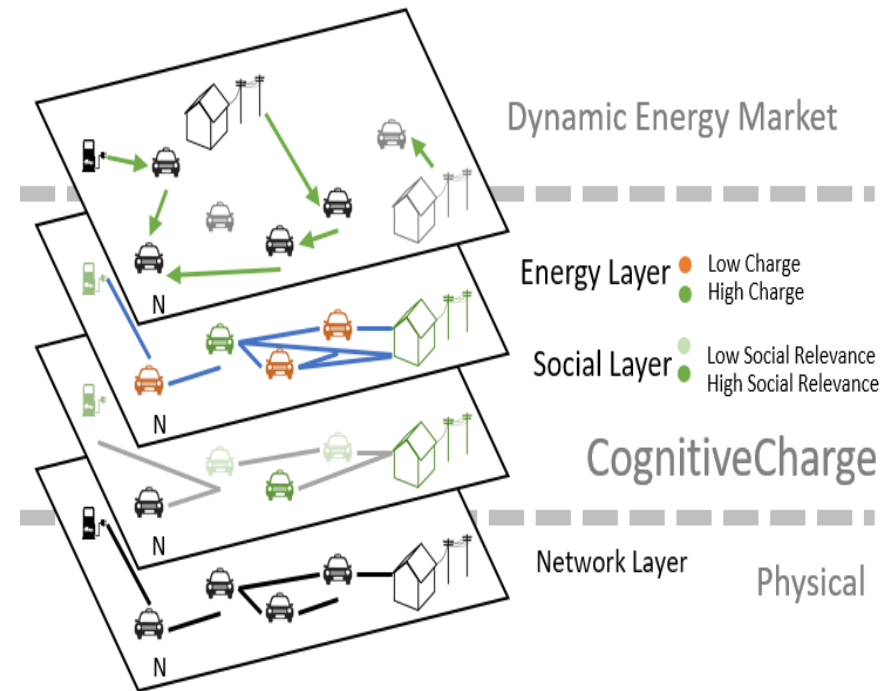
CognitiveCharge: Proposal in a Nutshell

- We propose fully distributed **multi-layer cognitive charging**, CognitiveCharge, approach which **enables two-way vehicle-to-vehicle and vehicle-to-grid information and energy flows** in order to allow nodes to **collaborate** and **adaptively share** distributed energy resources in **disconnection tolerant dynamic topologies**.
- CognitiveCharge is **able to predict and adapt in real time to local dynamically changing mobility topologies and dynamically varying energy supply and demand topologies** while minimising delays.
- We propose several novel multidimensional predictive analytics and dynamic predictive relative utilities

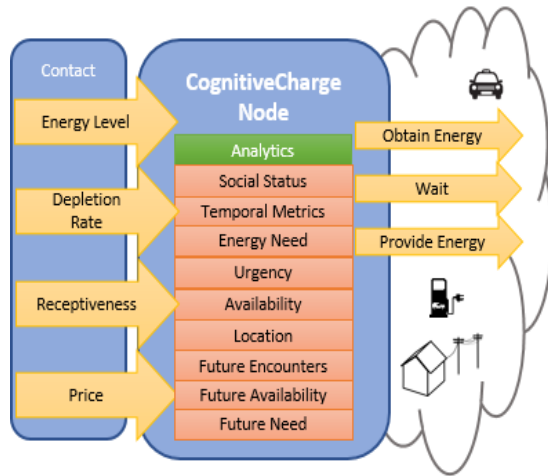


CognitiveCharge distributed collaborative multi layer design

- At the **network layer**: interconnected vehicles and the grid communicate opportunistically
- At the **social temporal graph layer**: dynamically changing vehicular connectivity patterns: contact durations/frequency etc.
- **At the energy layer**: energy of the vehicles where vehicles with surplus energy may be willing to share it with those in need of energy
- Each of these layers **are complementary**
- **CognitiveCharge adaptively manages trade-offs between these multiple dimensions**



CognitiveCharge Node



CognitiveCharge nodes use **novel real time local and ego network analytics** for decision making:

- depletion rate,
- congesting rate,
- receptiveness,
- retentiveness, and
- pricing.

- Has **two types of flows**:
 - **two-way energy flows** and
 - **two-way information flows**
- **Controls energy flow** for a single node in a **dynamically changing disconnection tolerant complex network**
- Uses **multiple types of the inputs obtained through contacts with neighbours** as well as the **derived predictive analytics**
- **Allow utilities have access to real-time information** and at the same time nodes **control dynamic energy flows** and **collect various power and connectivity related parameters**.



Node and Ego Network Depletion Rate

- CognitiveCharge **builds on contact and resource predictive in network heuristics and utilities proposed in CafRep.**
- **Nodes will deplete at different rates as a direct result of their mobility patterns and available charging opportunities.**

$$DR(X) = \frac{100 \cdot \frac{T_{cap}(X)}{T_{Total}(X)}}{\frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N Ts_i(X) - Te_i}$$



Node and Ego Network Congesting Rate

- The congestion rate of a CognitiveCharge node **refers to the rate at which the queue for energy from that node is increasing.**
- A given node is **limited in the number of peers it can simultaneously exchange energy with** (e.g. a fuel station has only a limited number of outlets) **however nodes can ‘queue’ for energy from both static and mobile nodes whilst others engage in transfer.**

$$CR(X) = \frac{100 \cdot \frac{T_{Queue}(X)}{T_{Total}(X)}}{\frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N Ts_i(X) - Te_i}$$



Receptiveness for Node and Ego Network

- Receptiveness refers to the **predictive delay of a node to its next charging opportunity.**
- For **predicting whether to charge at any time**, CognitiveCharge nodes estimate the availability of a **potential future neighbours based on energy level data from past encounters.**

$$Rec(n) = \mu Rec_{old}(n) + (1 - \mu) Rec_{current}(n)$$



Node and Ego Network, Retentiveness /Energy Level

- The **retentiveness/energy level** of a node refers to its ability to maintain charge beyond that which it requires for itself.
- Retentiveness is distinct from depletion rate because it **focuses on the withholding of surplus energy**.

$$Ret(n) = Surplus(X)$$



Dynamic Pricing

- The price of a given neighbour's energy is **dynamic and related to implicit dynamically changing parameters which are monitored and predicted in real time.**
- Dynamic pricing may be **considered as an incentive for maintaining energy levels beyond need only.**

$$MobilePrice(n) = StaticPrice + \frac{100 - Battery\%(n)}{100} + \frac{QueueLen(n) - 1}{10}$$



CognitiveCharge Utility

- The decision as to **whether or not to charge** from a given node n at time t is **based on the predicted depleting rate, congesting rate, receptiveness, retentiveness, and price of nodes and their ego networks.**

$$CognitiveChargeUtil(n, t) = \sum_{Utility \in Utilities}^{Utility} Utility(n, t)$$

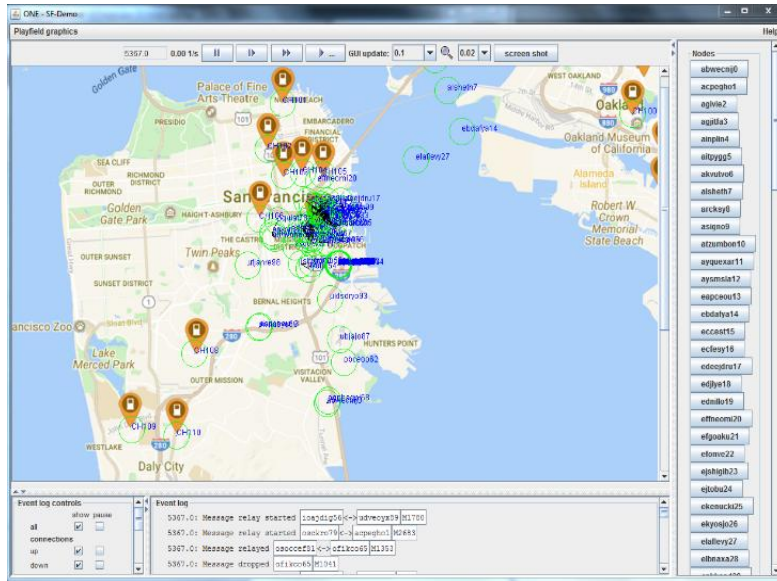


CognitiveCharge Experiment Methodology (1)

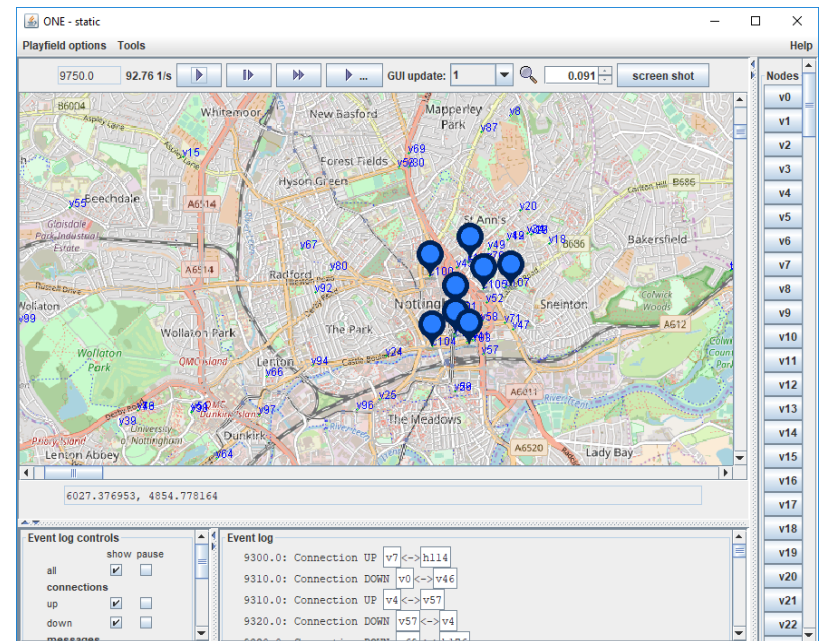
- We provide multi criteria evaluation of CognitiveCharge over **two real word city traces**:
 - **San Francisco, USA** and
 - **Nottingham, UK,**
 - **With two different mobility patterns**
 - **real world taxi cabs and urban work pattern**
 - **and existing real-world set-up of EV charging infrastructure.**



CognitiveCharge Experiment Methodology (2)



- To evaluate CognitiveCharge, we use **San Francisco trace** and assume **vehicles are EVs**.
- We use **100 cars** over a **5-day period**.
- We overlay the real world charging points at locations closest to where cars are observed to congregate.



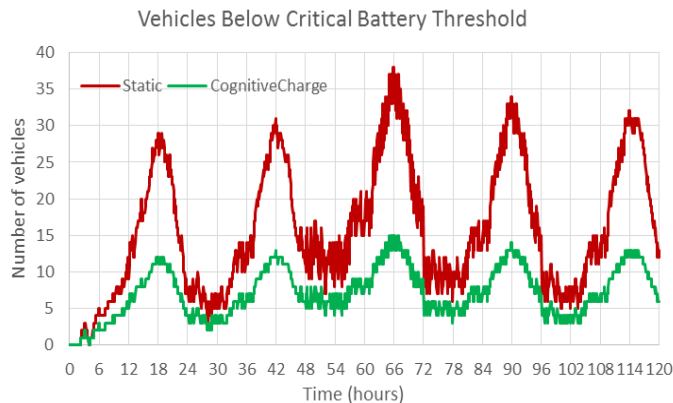
- **100 EVs** in **Nottingham urban area** over **typical working days** with **commuter traffic** over **5 days**
- We use **vehicular geo-social mobility model** derived from multiple data sources
- We model **two tiers of charging** : ‘**fast-charge**’ points at car parks and fuel stations and regular charging from household mains electricity.



CognitiveCharge - Number of vehicles with critically low battery levels analysis

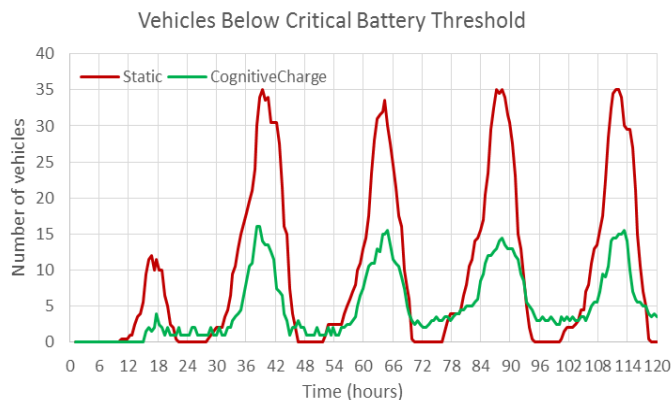
San Francisco

- The **overwhelming majority** of the time for **CognitiveCharge**, an average of just **7%** of nodes identify as having a **low battery threshold**.
- However, these nodes **do not reach the level of criticality of nodes reliant on infrastructure charging points** and are **never fully depleted**.

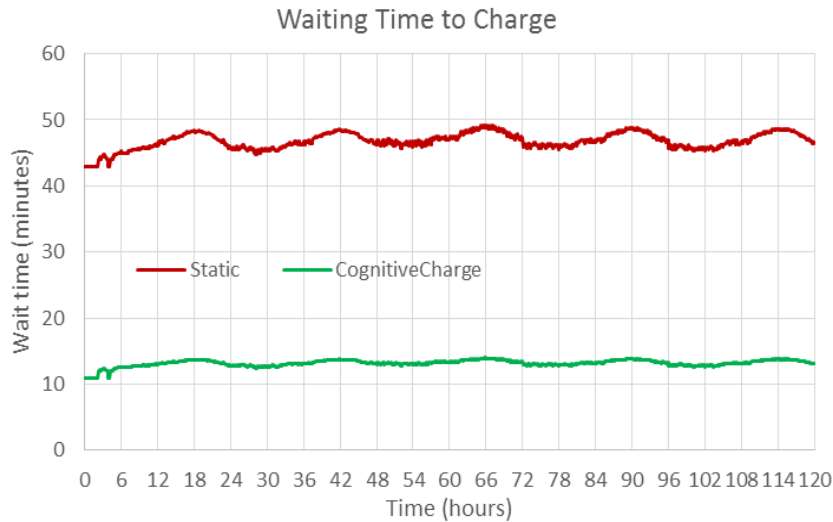


Nottingham

- For CognitiveCharge we see an **average of 4%** of nodes identifying as being in need of energy **rising to 14% during peak times**.
- For nodes using CognitiveCharge who reach the low energy threshold, the severity of energy depletion is **light and only for brief time periods**.

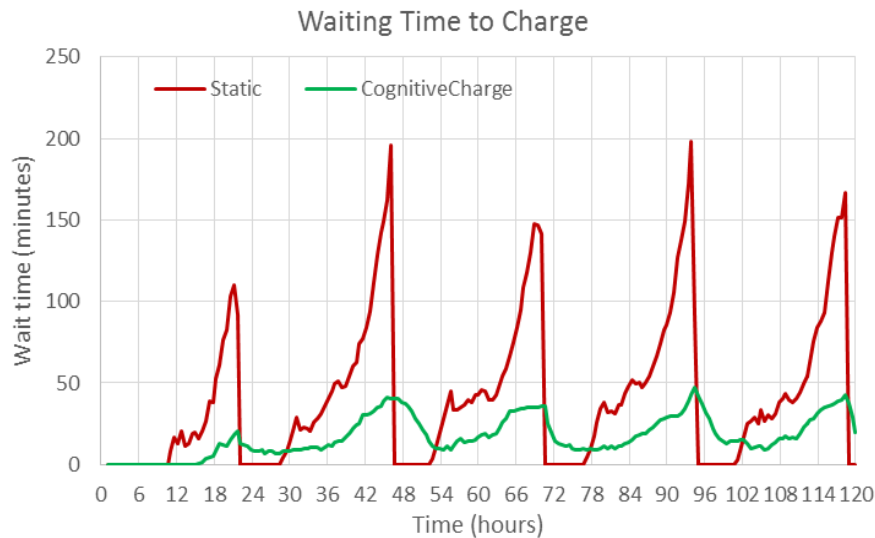


CognitiveCharge – Delay analysis



San Francisco

- **CognitiveCharge greatly increases the opportunities for charging** and as a result of this there is a **fourfold reduction in the time a vehicle must wait** until it can acquire energy when it needs it.
- **CognitiveCharge additionally reduces the fluctuations**

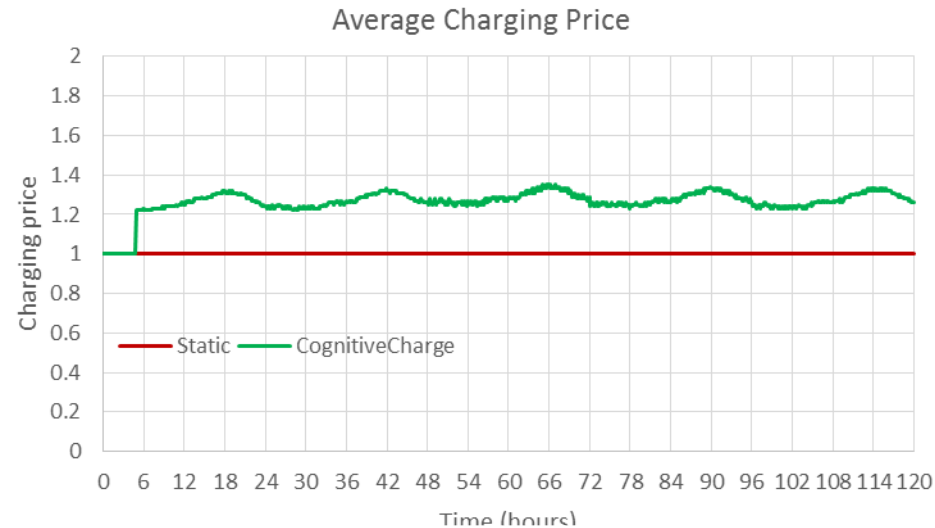


Nottingham

- CognitiveCharge sharply reduces wait time for nodes to acquire energy.
- CognitiveCharge further reduces the time that a node is in a low energy state and reduces the fluctuations



CognitiveCharge in San Francisco - Price analysis

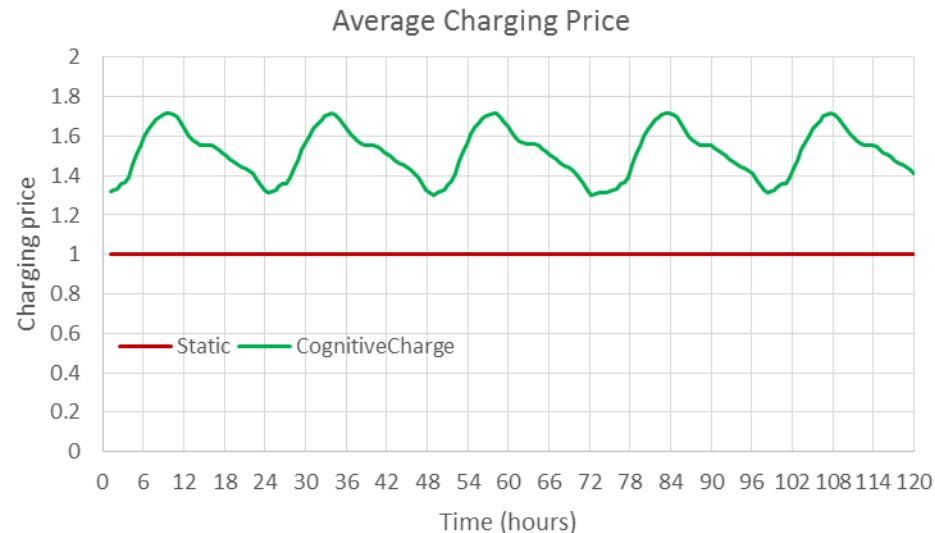


San Francisco

- CognitiveCharge price fluctuates over time as the price adjusts in response to the dynamic energy supply and demand.

Nottingham

- Under CognitiveCharge the fluctuations in energy price for Nottingham are **marginally greater than for San Francisco**
- Suggesting more **isolated islands of nodes with limited V2G opportunities relying upon V2V energy** exchange to satisfy the demand of both themselves and their ego-network.



Conclusion

- We proposed **multiple novel adaptive opportunistic mechanisms** to **improve QoS, security and privacy** and **energy efficiency** for **community edge-clouds**.
- We performed multi-criteria evaluation of our protocols in real-world connectivity traces and in the face of realistic workloads in order to compare our protocols.
- We envisage that our protocols will be desirable in **heterogeneous dynamic geo-temporal clusters of mobile user scenarios** such as **mobile personal clouds in pervasive health services** and **cognitive privacy for personal mobile clouds**.

