An Architecture Framework for Experimentations with Self-Adaptive Cyber-Physical Systems

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Smart Cyber-Physical Systems

- Open-ended: no strict system boundaries
- Decentralized
- Physical world
 - Distribution
 - Mobility
- Communication
 - WiFi, 3G/4G, but also MANETS, VANETS etc.

How can we endow such systems with selfadaptive and self-organizing capabilities?

What is special about smart CPS?

Self-adaptation in smart CPS is hard

- ... especially when combined with dependability.
- No global state
- Dynamic physical structure
- Unstable connections: no communication guarantees
- Communication delays: data becomes obsolete
- Inherent dynamism stemming from external uncertainty and openness
- Emergent behavior

Example: E-mobility



To build self-adaptive smart CPS we need to first experiment with different adaptation approaches

An **experimentation framework** should have:

- Suitable abstractions
 - Goals, agents/components, component grouping
- Simulation capabilities
 - Network communication (including ad-hoc networks)
 - Environment behavior

Component framework for self-adaptive smart CPS

- Suitable abstractions
 - Architecture: autonomous components & ensembles
 - Requirements: invariants
- Simulation capabilities
 - Network-accurate communication (OMNET++)
 - Agent-based simulations of the environment (MATSim)

jDEECo: **Java-based** implementation of DEECo

Based on internal Java DSL (Java annotations)

Dependable

jDEECo Features



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DEECo – Architectu



Component Vehicle = { position: IPosition availableParkingLots: IParkingLot[] route: IRoute schedule: ISchedule

process updatePlan {
function = updatePlan
inputKnowledge = [position,
 availableParkingLots, ...]
outputKnowledge = [route, ...]
scheduling = periodic(1s)

Component *ParkingLot* = { freePlaces: *Int* position: *IPosition*

process updateFreePlaces {











Invariants capture operational normalcy at every time instant

Decomposition of invariants forms design trees

• Akin to goal-oriented requirements elaboration

Leaf invariants are **operationalized** via

- Component processes and knowledge exchange functions
- Monitors

Alternative decompositions provide alternative system realizations

• Used at runtime to drive architecture reconfiguration

Support for Goal-Oriented Design



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Support for Network Simulations





Detailed network simulator

Rich library of communication models

Rich library of hardware models



Support for Environment Simulations





Agent-Based Traffic Simulator

Simulates people mobility according to their plans



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Support for Visualization



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Conclusions

Self-adaptation is hard to achieve in smart CPS



https://github.com/d3scomp/JDEECo

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