

Steady-State Dynamic Temperature Analysis and Reliability Optimization for Embedded Multiprocessor Systems

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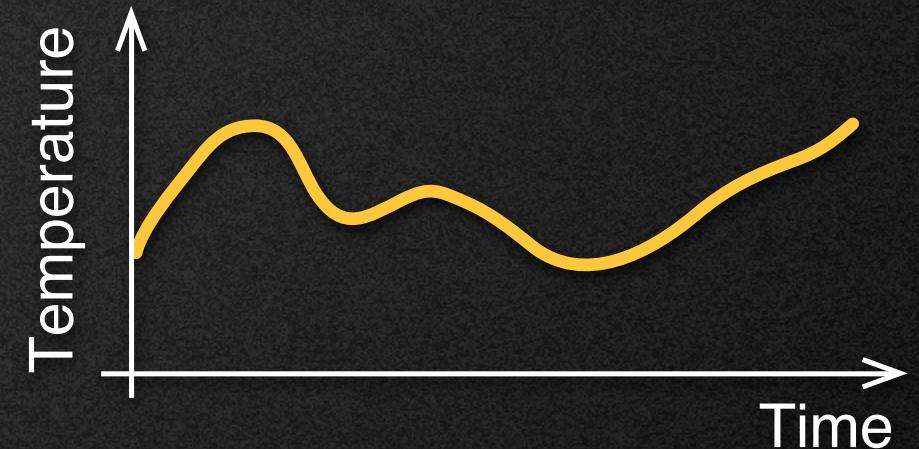
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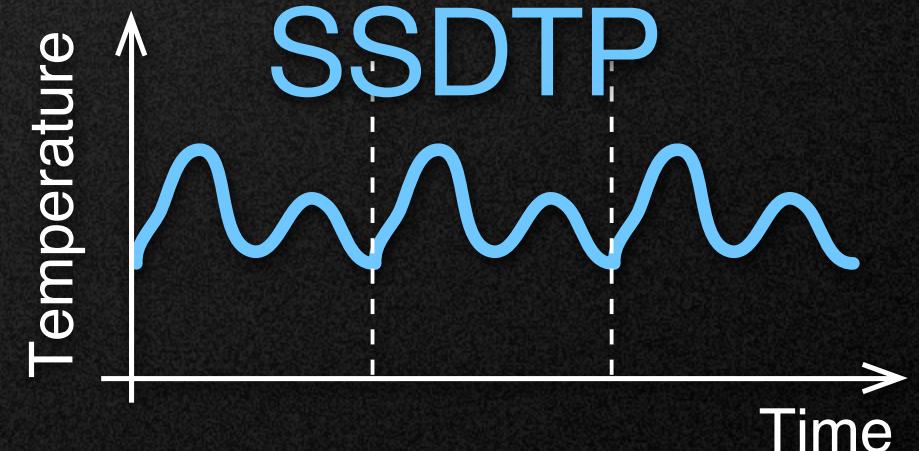
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Steady-State Dynamic TA (**SSDTA**):

- Periodic power profile → Periodic temperature profile.



Overview

We have:

- Multiprocessor platform with thermal package.
- Periodic dynamic power profile.

We perform:

- Steady-State Dynamic Temperature Analysis.

We obtain:

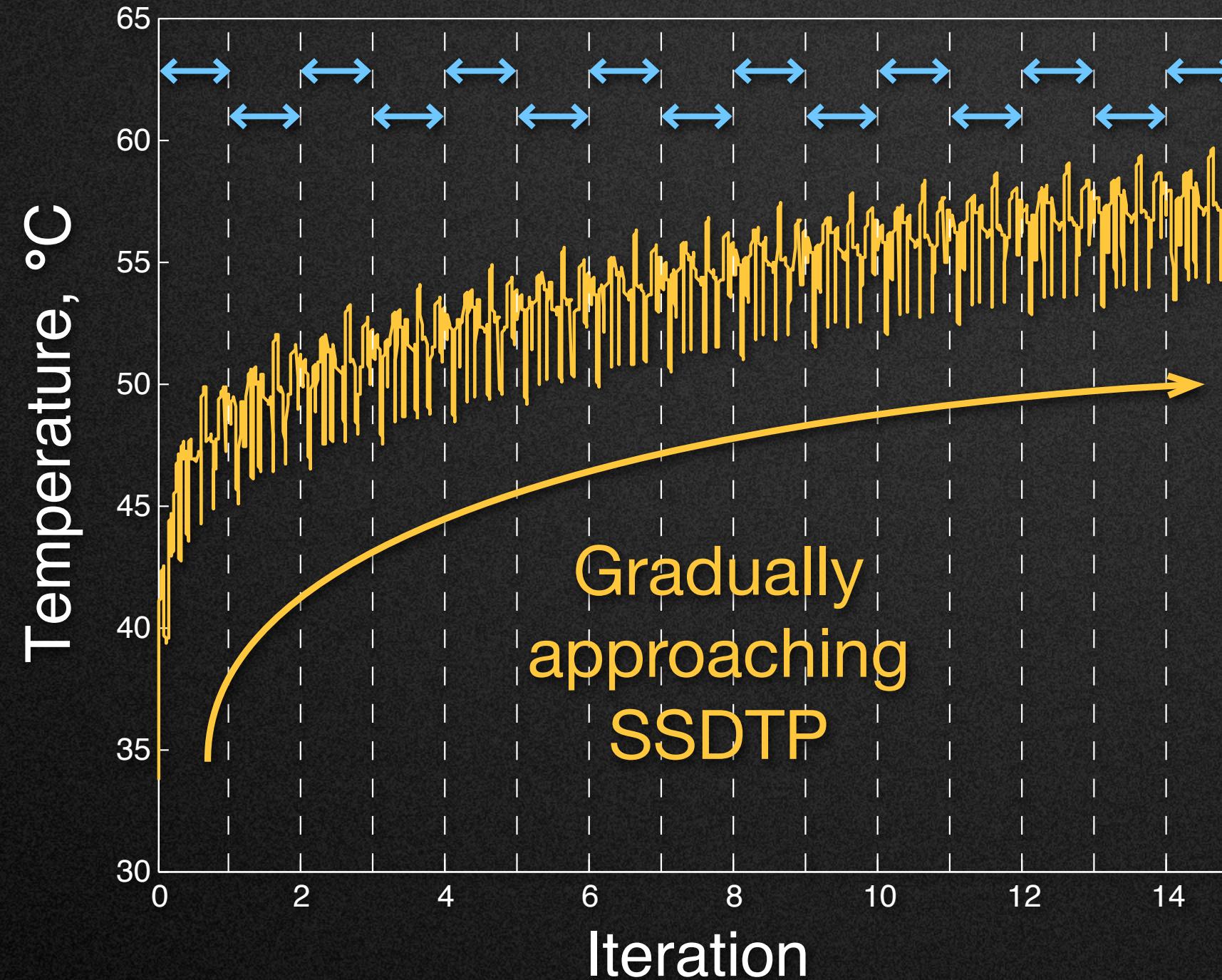
- Steady-State Dynamic Temperature Profile.

We demonstrate:

- Importance for reliability optimization.

The State of The Art (1)

Iterative simulation using TTA...

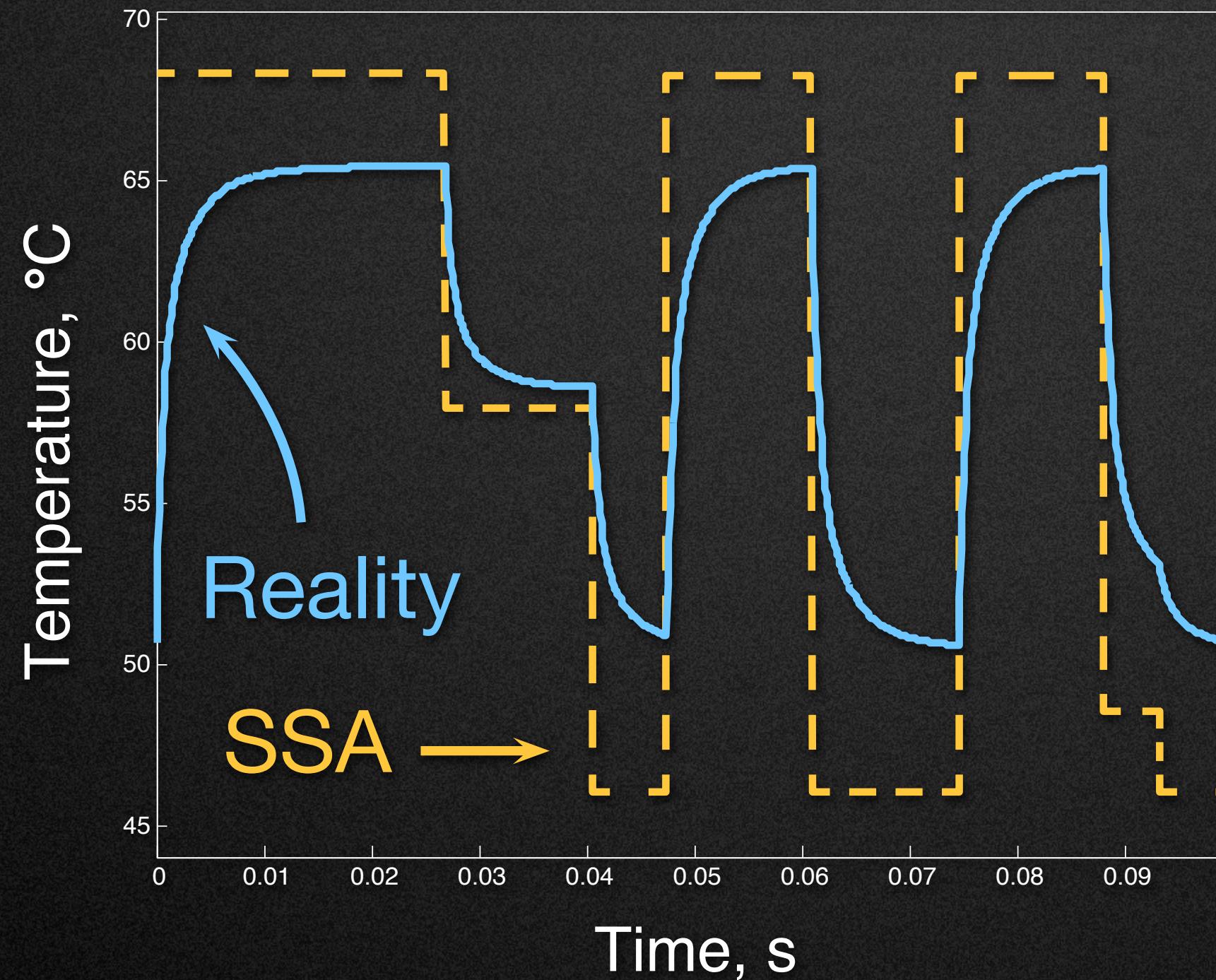


Successive simulations with the same power profile

... takes a long time to perform.

The State of The Art (2)

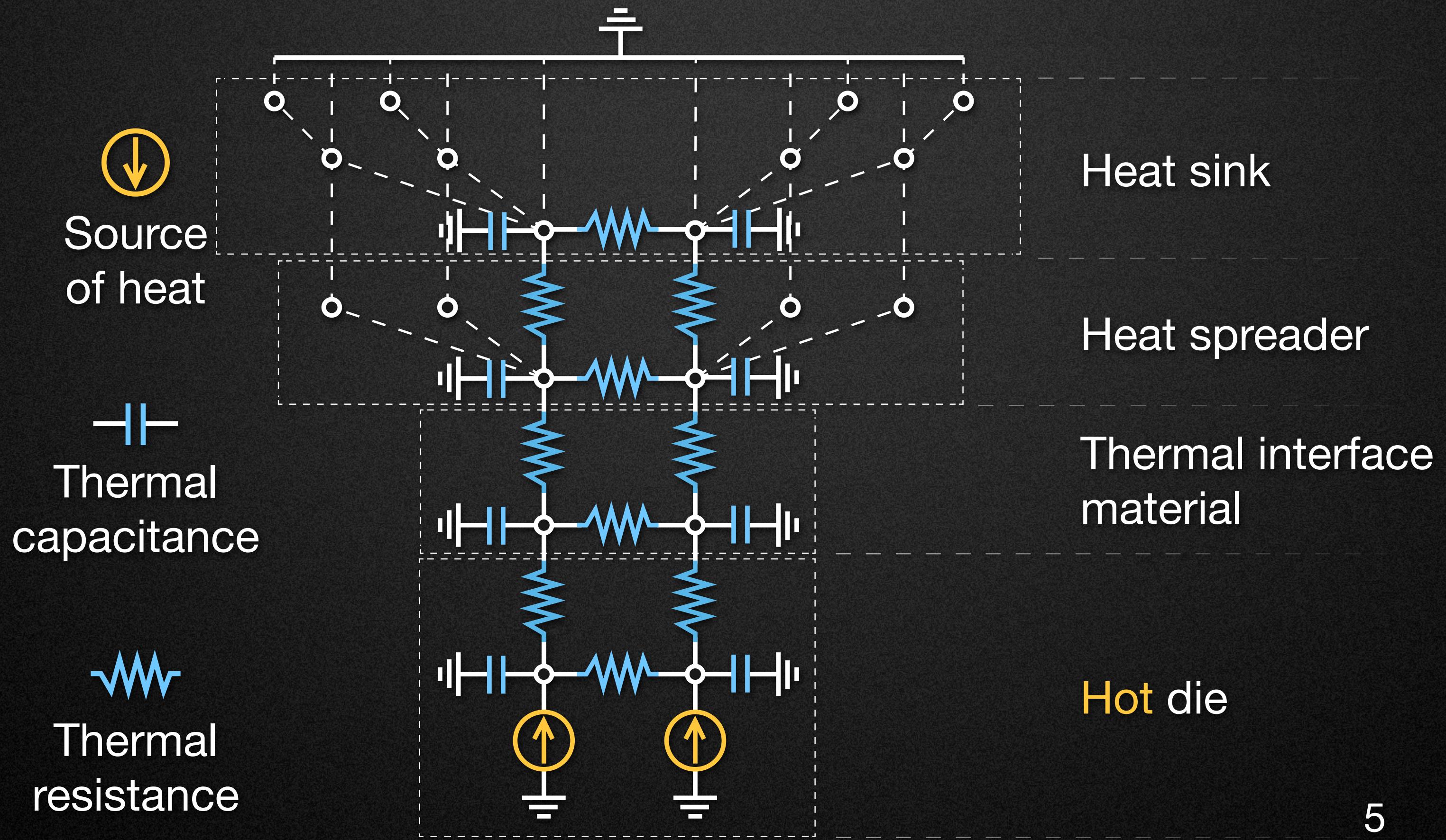
Steady-State Approximation (SSA) using SSTA...



SSA assumes
the system is
always in the
steady state

... gives a rough estimation.

Thermal RC Circuit



Proposed Method (1)

Heat equation:

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Leakage
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SSDTA

$$T_{start} = T_{end}$$

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Proposed Method (2)

Huge system of linear equations:

$$A \cancel{X} = B$$

$$N_s N_n \times N_s N_n$$

Number of steps in
the power profile

Number of nodes in
the thermal circuit

Proposed Method (3)

We propose:

- Auxiliary transformation of the heat equation.
- Analytical solution via a condensed system.

We consider:

- Structure and sparseness of the system.

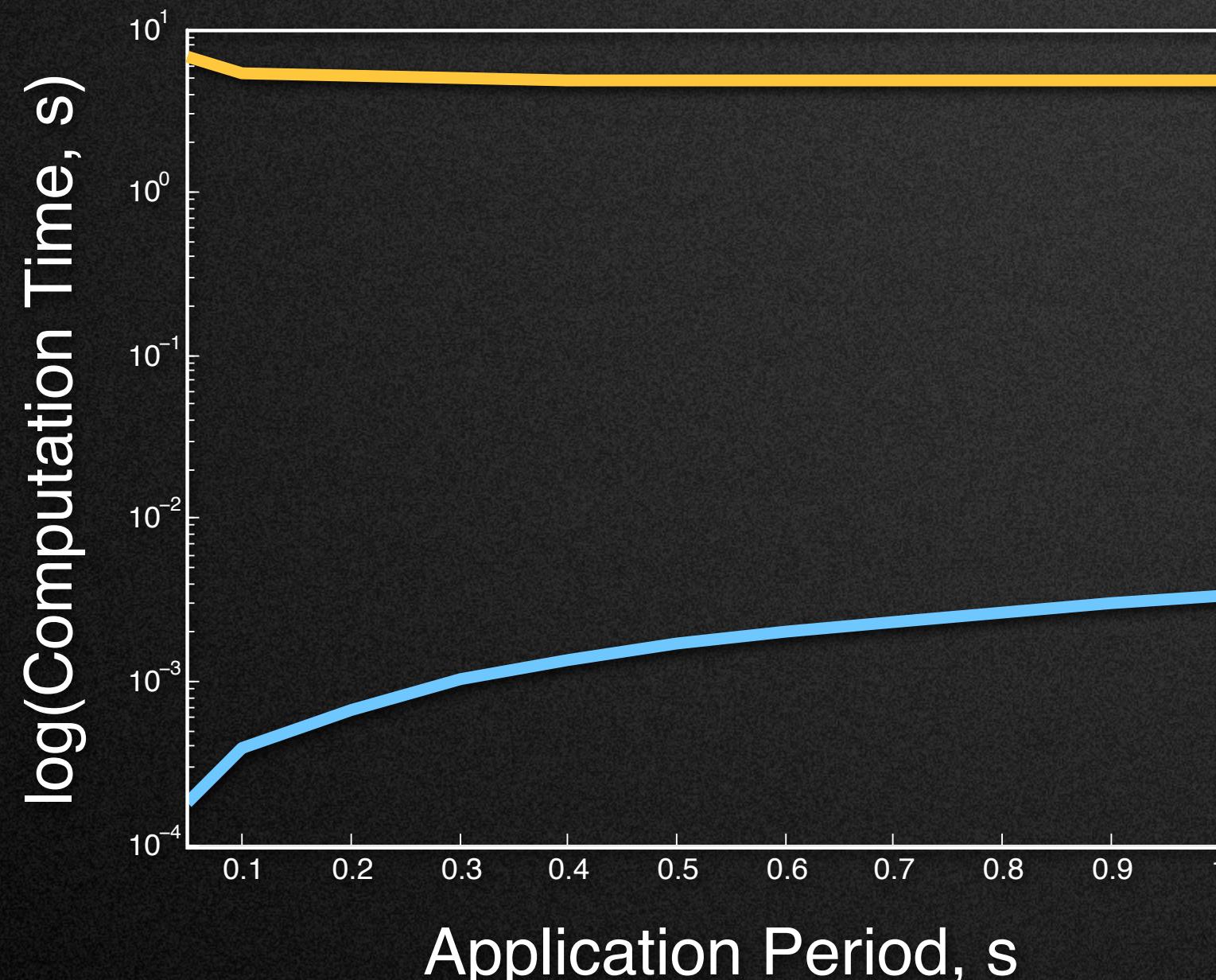
We deliver:

- Accurate and computationally cheap results.

$$\propto \cancel{N_s^3} N_n^3 \quad N_s \gg N_n$$

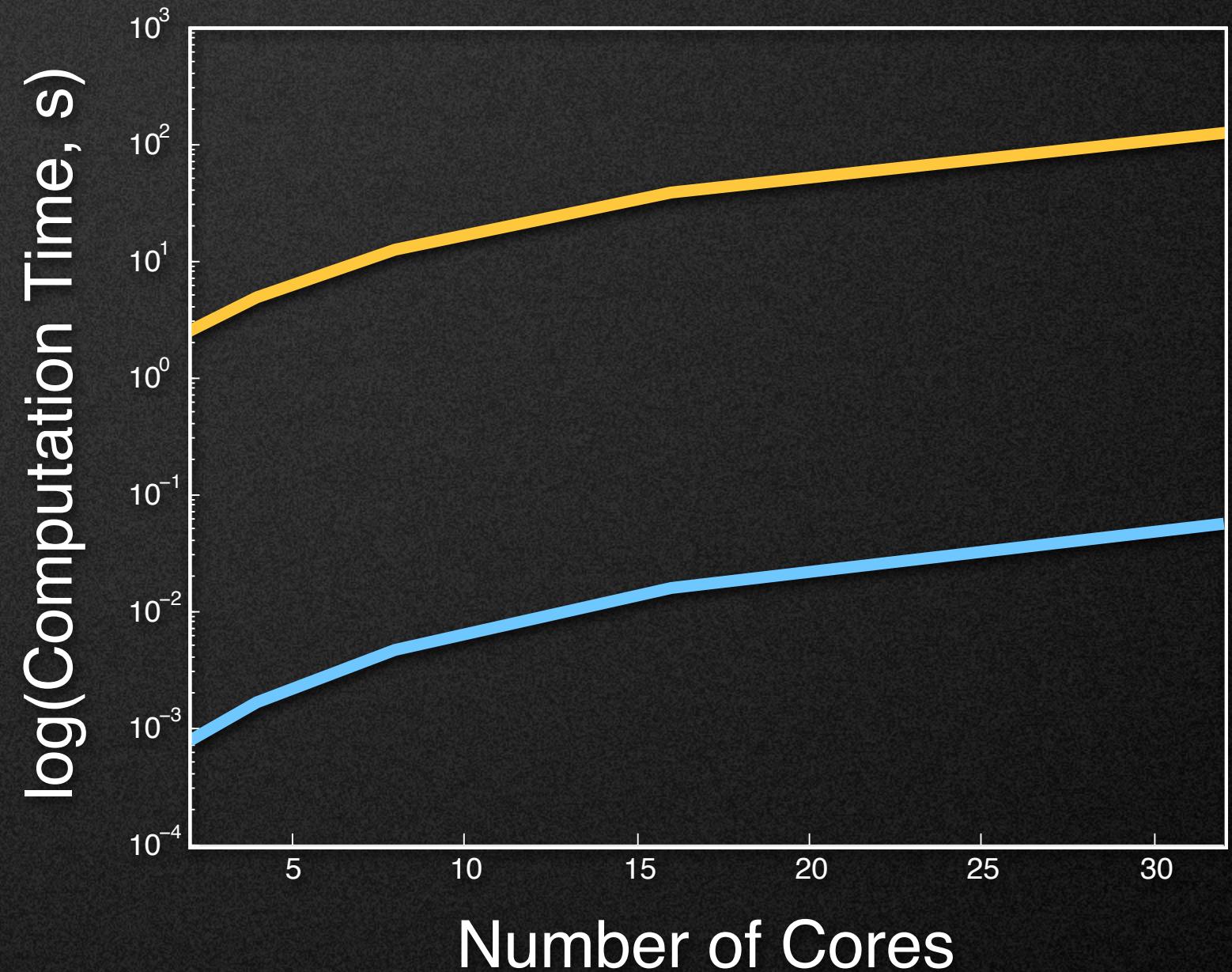
Experimental Results (1)

Proposed Method outperforms TTA with HotSpot.



Application Period, s

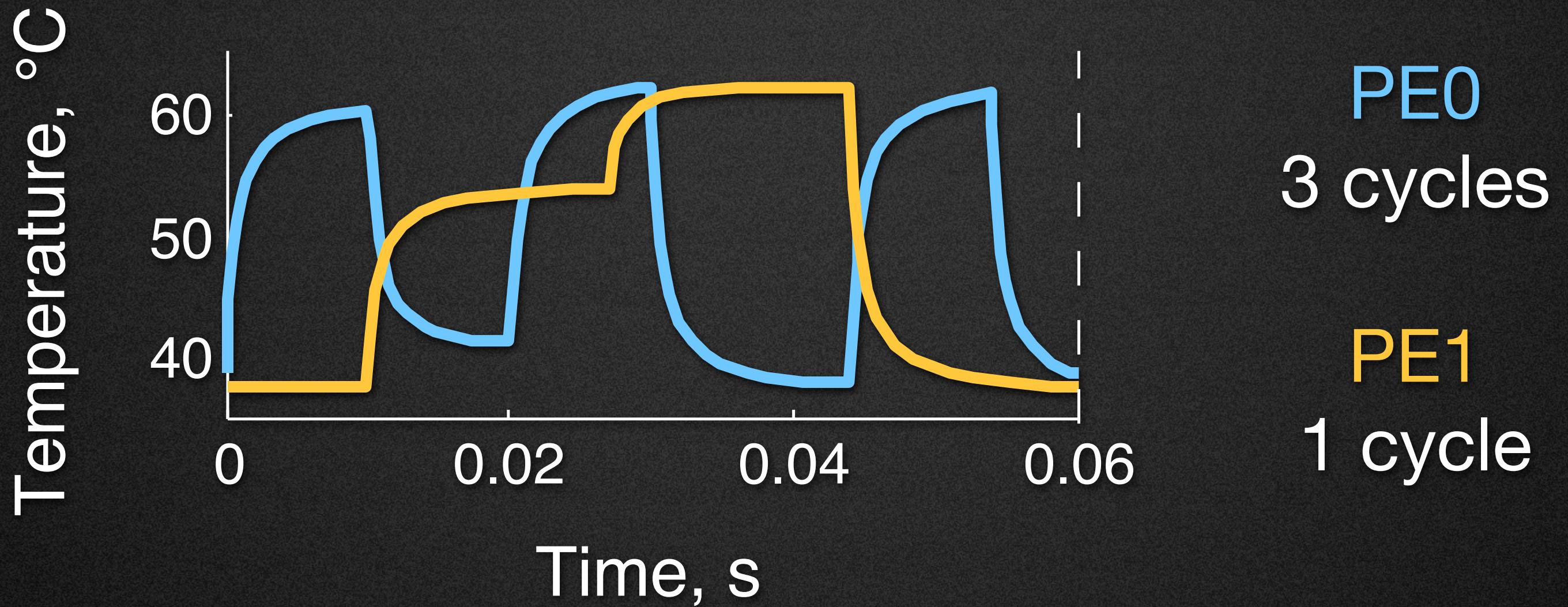
2000× faster



Number of Cores

5000× faster

Thermal Cycling Fatigue

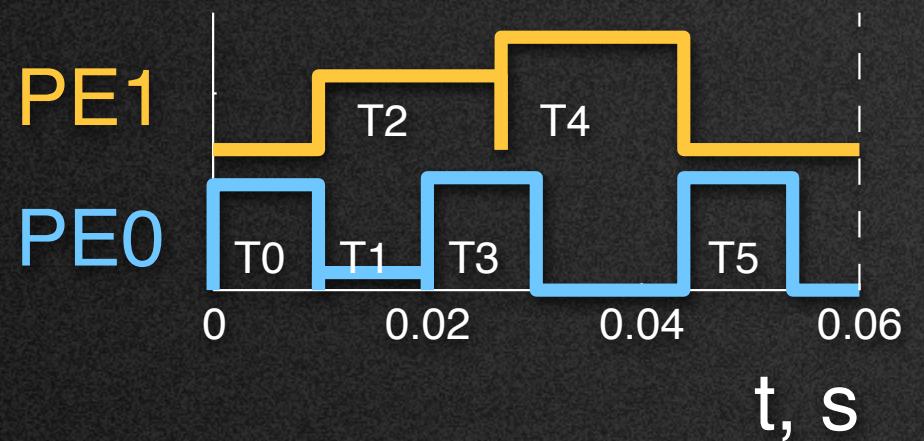


Total damage depends on **maximal temperature**, **amplitudes**, and **frequency** of thermal cycles.

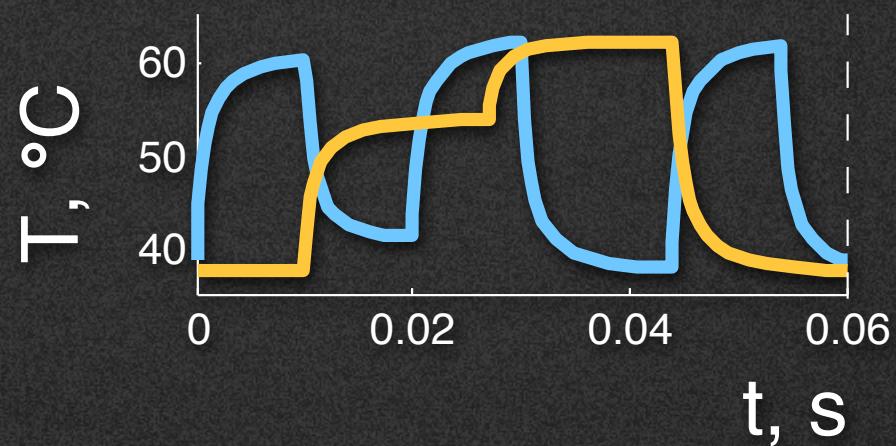
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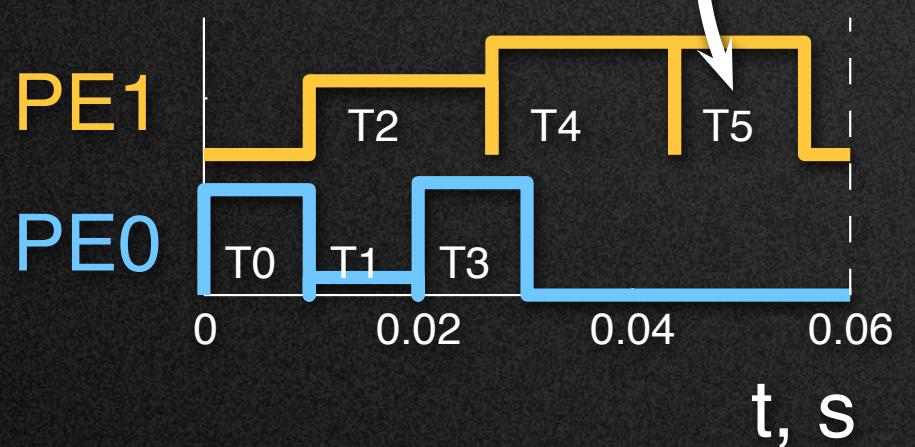
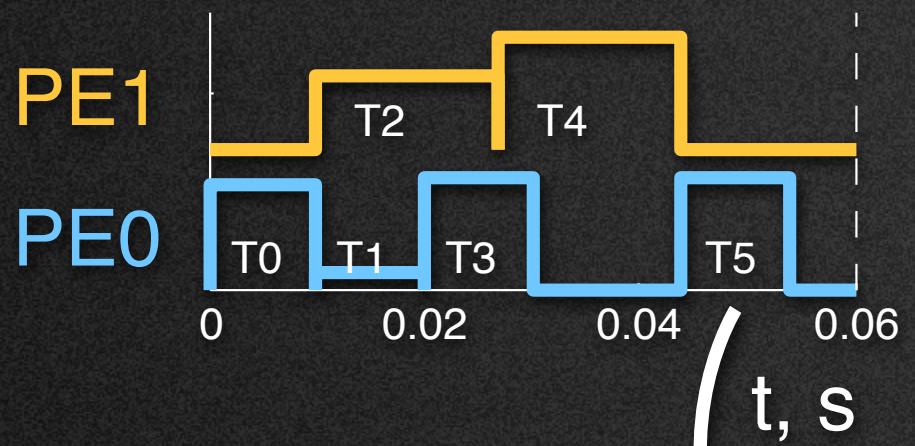
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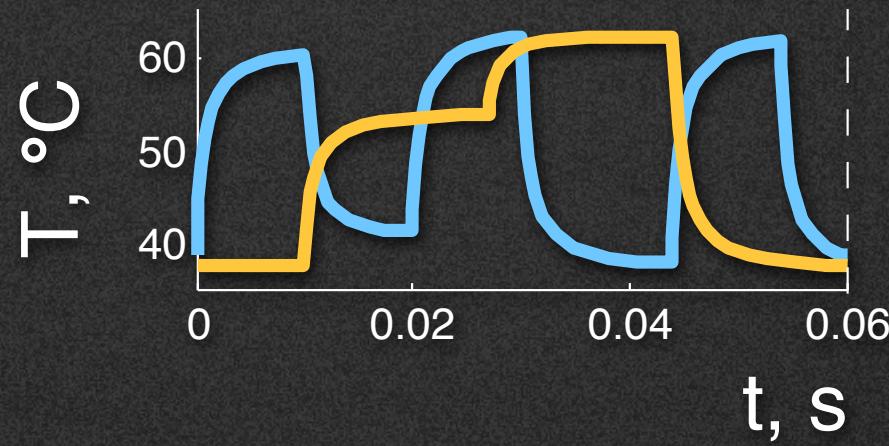
3 cycles

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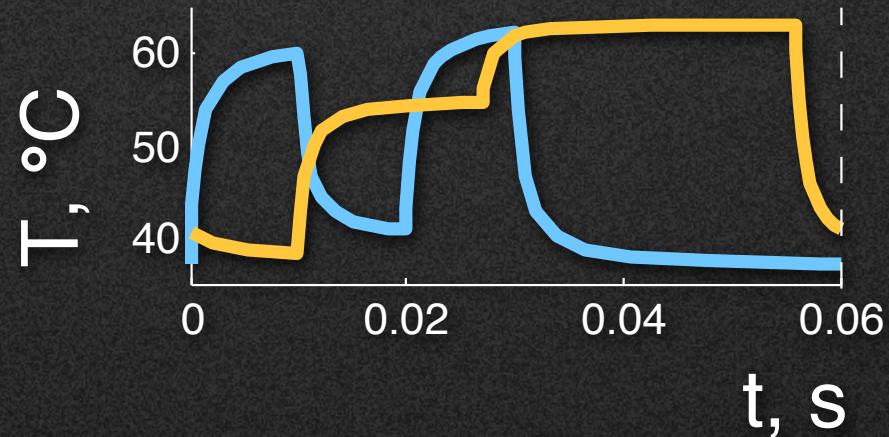
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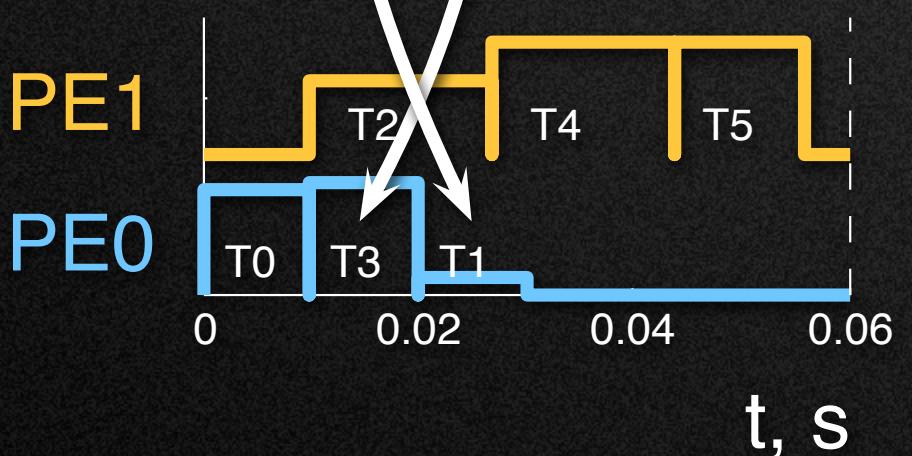
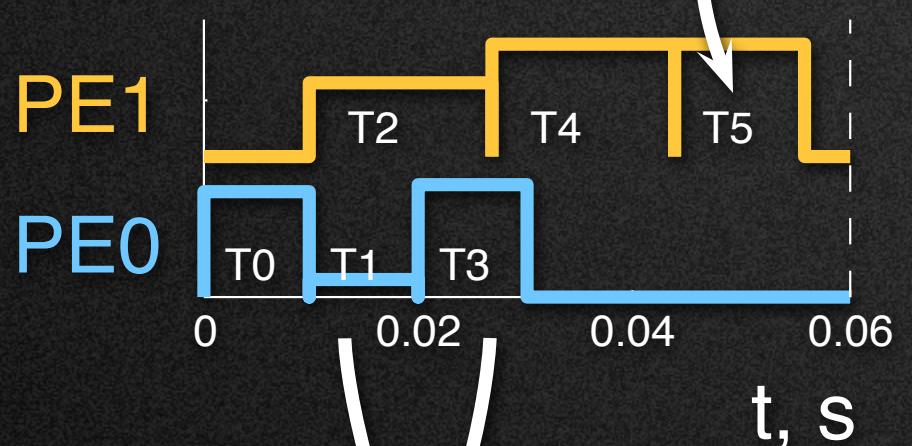
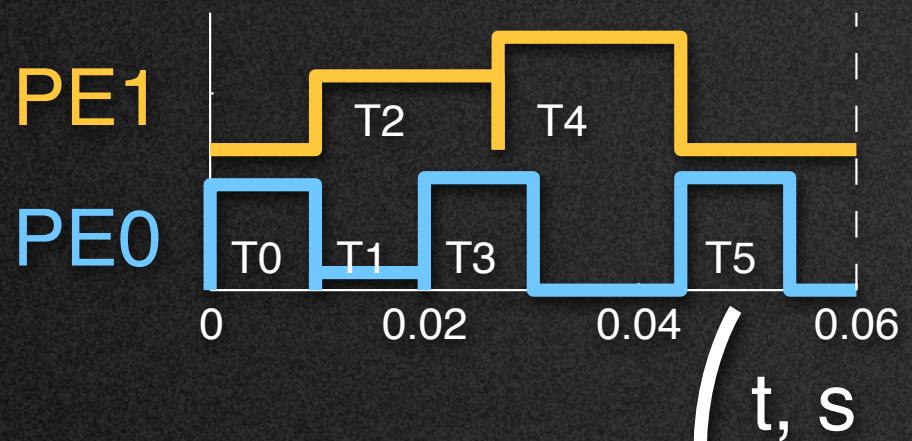


2 cycles

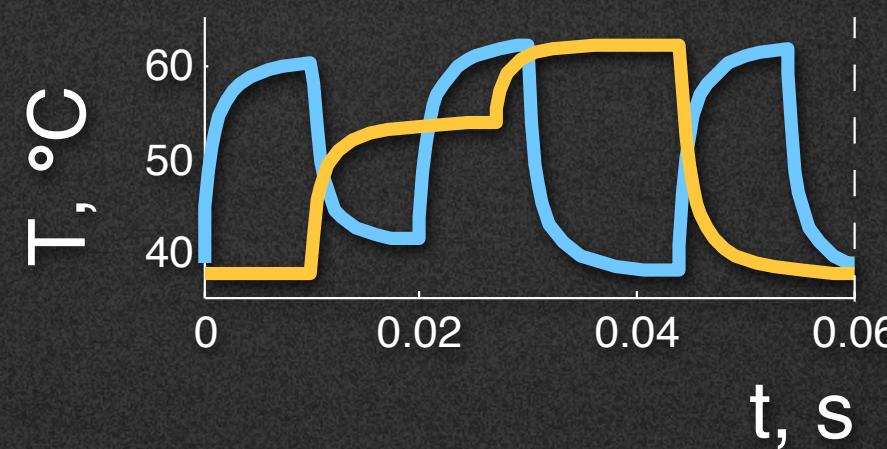
+45%
lifetime

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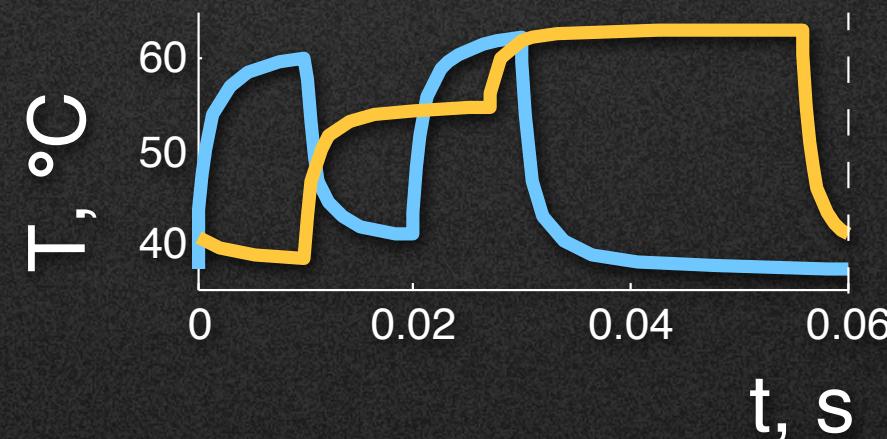
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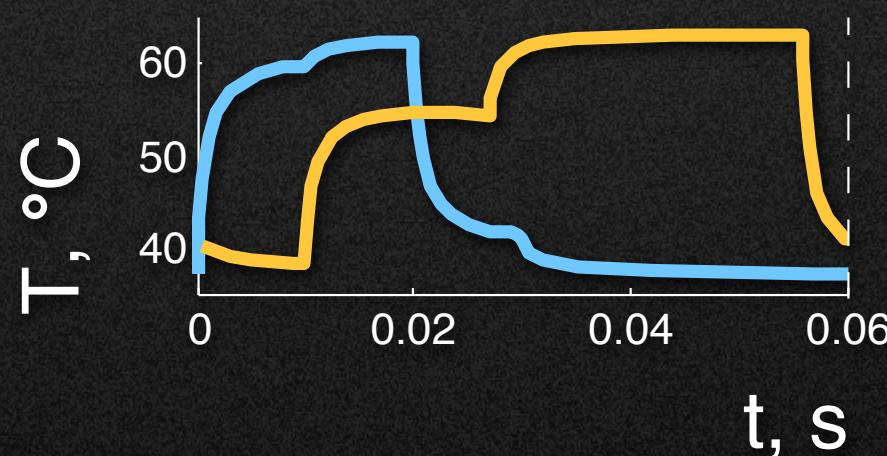
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lifetime



1 cycle

+55%

lifetime

Reliability Optimization: Summary

Goal:

- Decrease the **thermal cycling** (TC) fatigue in order to prolong the lifetime of the system.

Means:

- Employ a genetic algorithm to perform a **temperature-aware** mapping and scheduling.

Important:

- **SSDTP** is a **must** to address the TC fatigue.
- Do not compromise the energy efficiency.

Experimental Results (2)

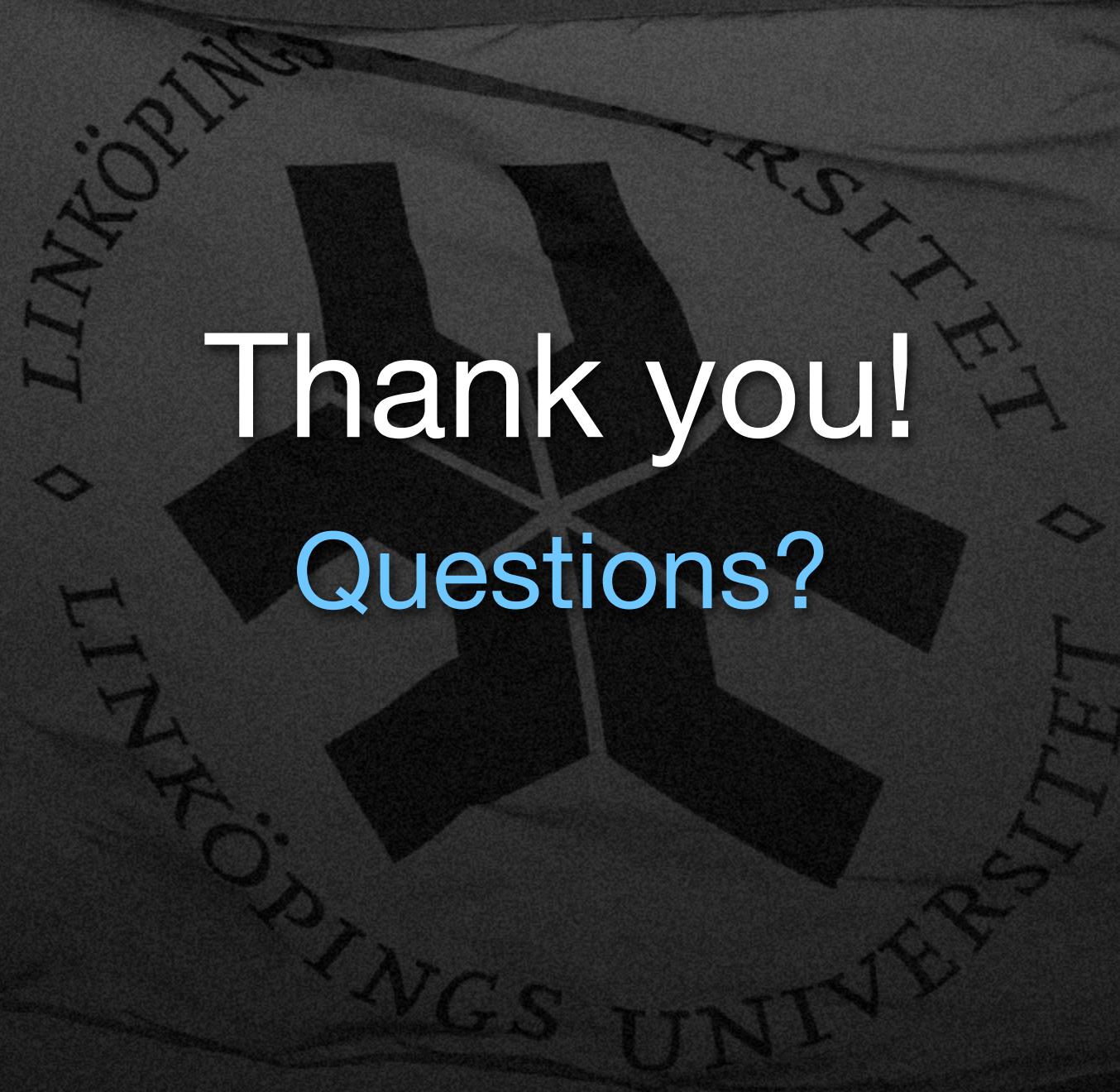
Real-life example:

- MPEG2 decoder.
- 34 tasks.
- 2 cores.



Increase of the lifetime:

- 24× using **Proposed Method**.
- 5× using **TTA with HotSpot**.
- 11× using **Steady-State Approximation**.



Thank you!

Questions?