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Algorithmic Design; Black-Box Optimization; Machine Learning; Surrogate-based Modelling.

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Palavras Chave

Design Algorítmico; Otimização de caixa-preta; Modelos baseados em aproximações; Aprendizagem Máquina.

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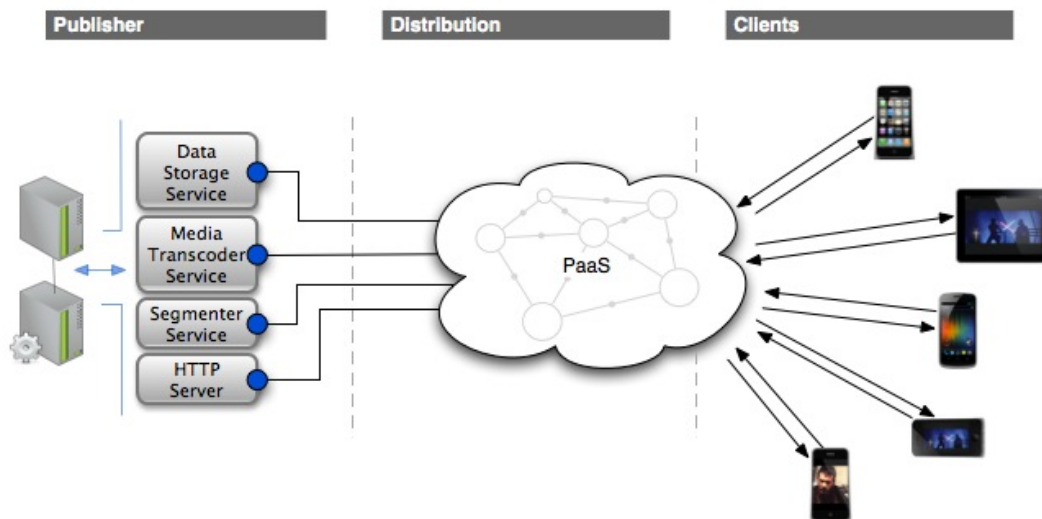


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Table 2.1: Streaming Technologies Comparison

	Dynamic Streaming	Smooth Streaming	HLS
Streaming Protocol	RTMP	HTTP	HTTP
Video Codec	H.264, VP6	H.264	H.264
Audio Codec	AAC, MP3	WMA, AAC	AAC, MP3
Container Format	MP4, FLV,	MP4	MPEG2-TS
iOS	NO	YES	YES
Android	NO	YES	YES

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Table 2.2: A nice Spreadsheet using package “spreadtab”. Notice the calculations.

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Table 2.3: Comparison between today's and target Architectures of Telcos

Today		Target	
Rigid	Each evolutionary requirement involves development of multiple components, interfaces, platforms, etc.	Flexible	It is possible to modify or add new functionalities rapidly.
Slow	Development of a new application takes months or years.	Fast	Development of a new application takes weeks instead of months or years.
Closed	Limited integration with external environments.	Open	It is simple to integrate internal, applications with external entities.
Complex	Heterogeneous technologies, obsolescence, lack of standards, high redundancy.	Standardised	Use of homogeneous architectural models.
Expensive	High Capex (for new service development) and high Opex (to ensure running of IT).	Cost-Effective	Capex and Opex are optimised.

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3.1 Architecture Design Requirements

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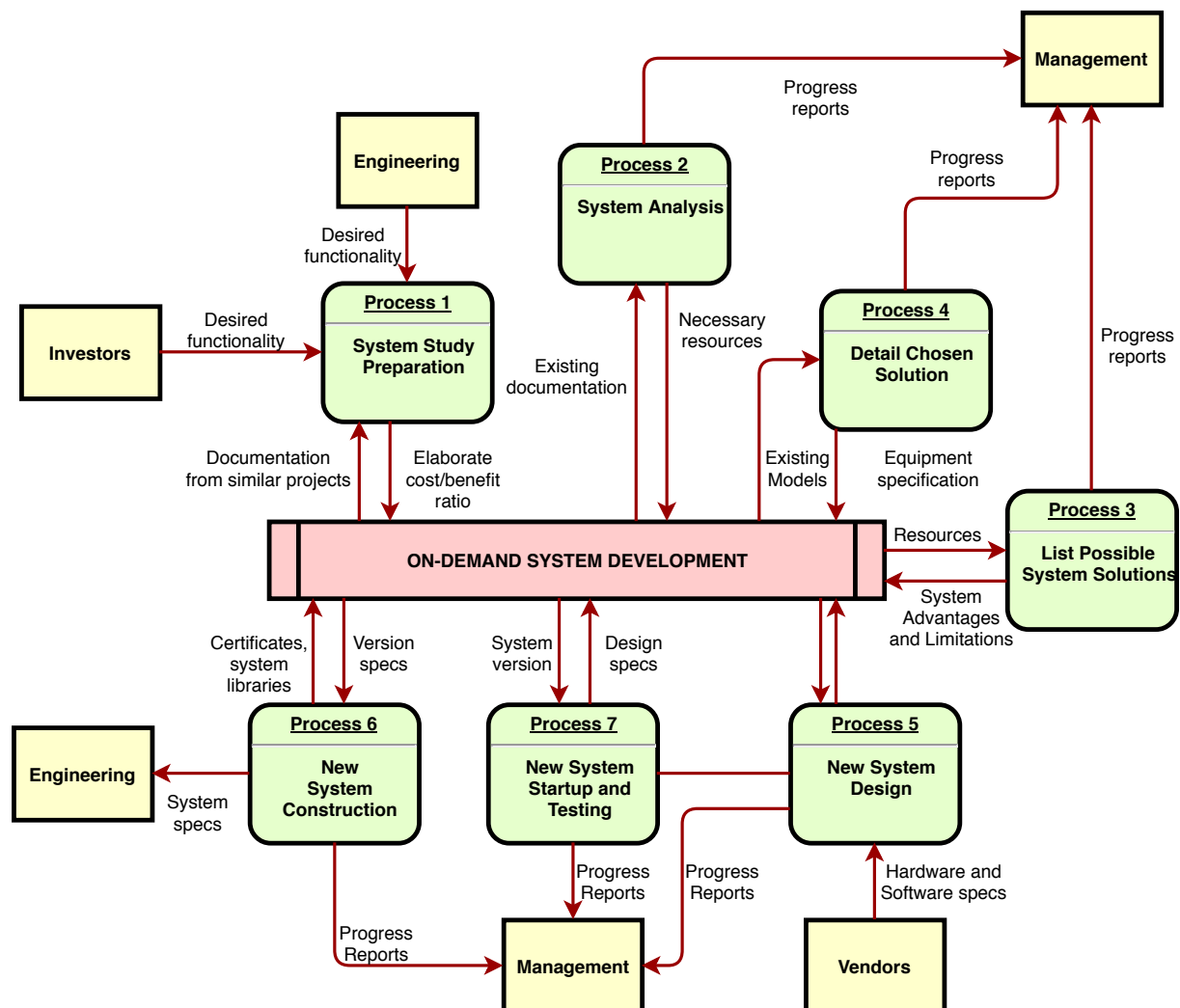


Figure 3.1: System Processes

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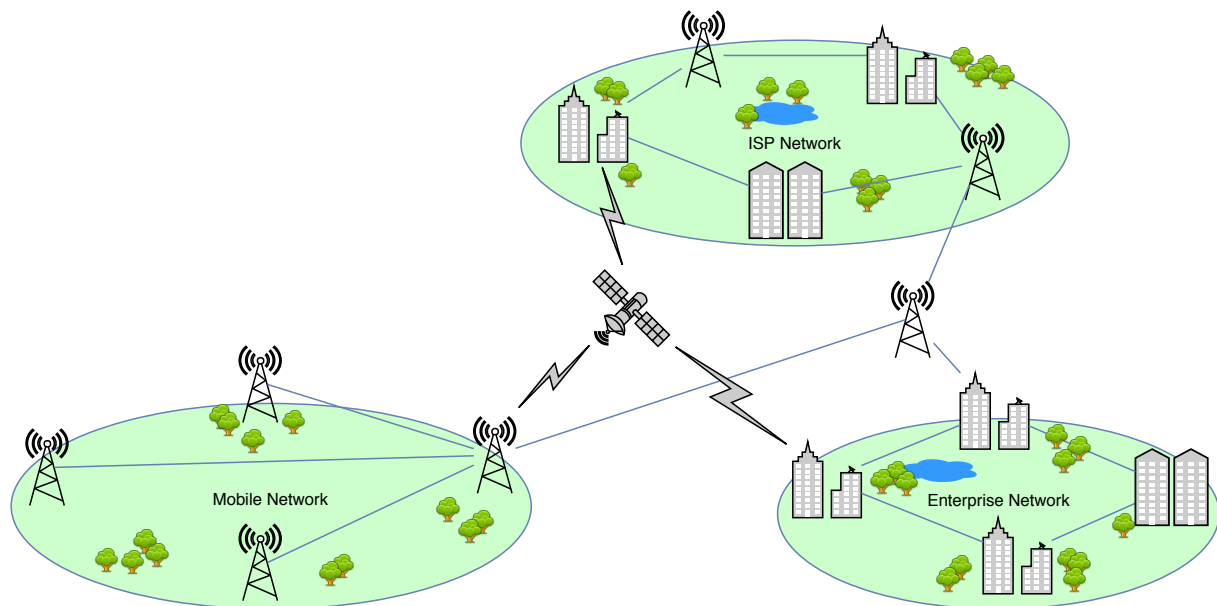


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Web-streaming: The client application should support streaming media using **HTTP! (HTTP!)** protocols.

Multi-source streaming: The client application should support multi-source streaming media, i.e., “simultaneous” streaming of media content components from a network, supported/complemented by **CDN! (CDN!)/CC! (CC!)** services.

Support content Metadata Description: The client application should support content metadata description in a format similar or compliant with MPEG **DASH! (DASH!)** [11].

Scalable and Adaptive Media Contents: The system should support on-demand streaming of scalable and adaptive contents based on **SVC!**.

Heterogenous End-User Devices: The client application should be compatible with current and future generations of end-user devices form factors, irrespective of their performance, screen size and resolution.

Access Network independency: The solution should provide the expected service over different types of access networks supported by the end-user devices, such as Wireless **LAN!s (LAN!s)** (IEEE 802.11) or cellular data networks such as **GPRS! (GPRS!), UMTS! (UMTS!), LTE! (LTE!),** etc.

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11      </SegmentInfo>
12    </Representation>
13    <Representation mimeType="video/SVC" codecs="svc" frameRate="30.00"
14      bandwidth="1322.60"
15      width="352" height="288" id="L1">
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17      <SegmentInfo from="0" to="11" duration="PT5.00S">
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- Implementation Process
- Testing and Functional Validation

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Algorithm 4.1: Time Control Strategy

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  nextBitrate  $\leftarrow$  nextDownloadLevel
  nextBitrate  $\leftarrow$  GetNextBitrate()
  cpuLoad  $\leftarrow$  GetCpuLoad()
  bitrateDelta  $\leftarrow$  getBitrateDelta(currentBitrate, nextBitrate)

  if bitrateDelta > maxThreshold then
    | SetBitrate(nextBitrate)

  if minThreshold < bitrateDelta < maxThreshold and numAttempts < 2 then
    | numAttempts  $\leftarrow$  numAttempts + 1
  else if minThreshold < bitrateDelta < maxThreshold and numAttempts = 2 then
    | numAttempts  $\leftarrow$  0
  else
    | SetBitrate(nextBitrate)

  if 0 < bitrateDelta < minThreshold and numAttempts < 3 then
    | numAttempts  $\leftarrow$  numAttempts + 1
  else if 0 < bitrateDelta < minThreshold and numAttempts = 3 then
    | SetBitrate(nextBitrate)
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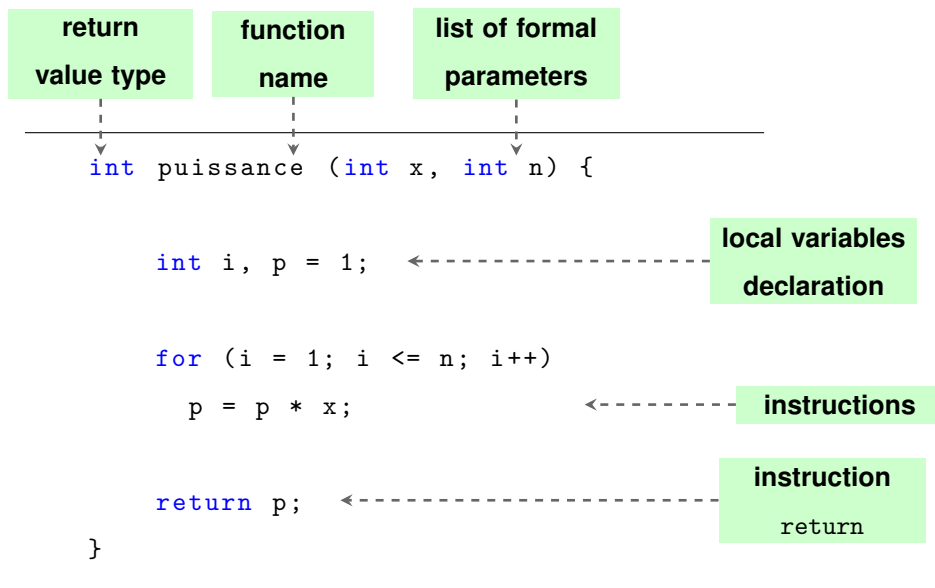
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Listing 4.1: A listing with a Tikz picture overlayed

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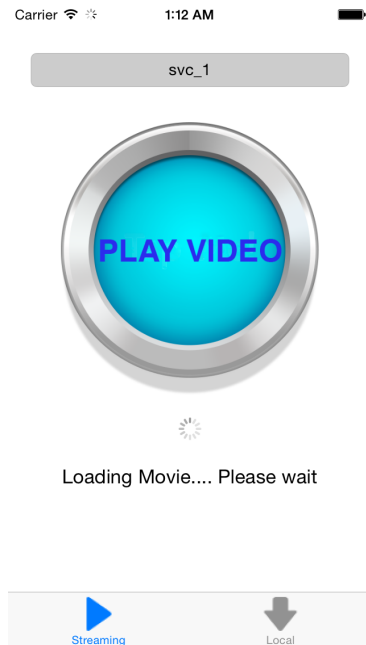
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(a) Media Loading Window



(b) Play-out Session UI! (UI!)

Figure 4.1: Complete User Interface

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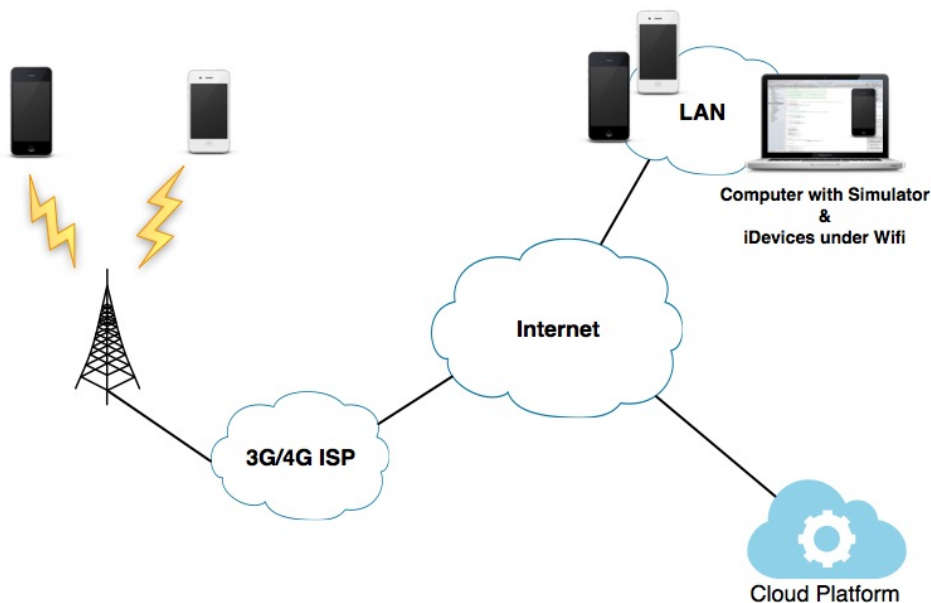


Figure 5.1: Test Environment

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Table 5.1: Network Link Conditioner Profiles

Network Profile	Bandwidth	Packets Dropped	Delay
Wifi	40 mbps	0%	1 ms
3G	780 kbps	0%	100 ms
Edge	240 kbps	0%	400 ms

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N_j Is the number of times peer j has been optimistically unchoked.

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$C_{r[j]}$ The cooperation ratio of peer j . If peer j never supplied peer p , the information of $C_{r[j]}$ may not be available.

$C_{r(max)}$ The maximum cooperation ratio of peer p 's neighbors, i.e., $C_{r(max)} = \max(C_r)$.

$$G_j = \begin{cases} \frac{n_j C_{r[j]}}{N_j} & \text{if } n_j > 0 \\ \frac{C_{r(max)}}{N_j + 1} & \text{if } n_j = 0 \end{cases} \quad (5.1)$$

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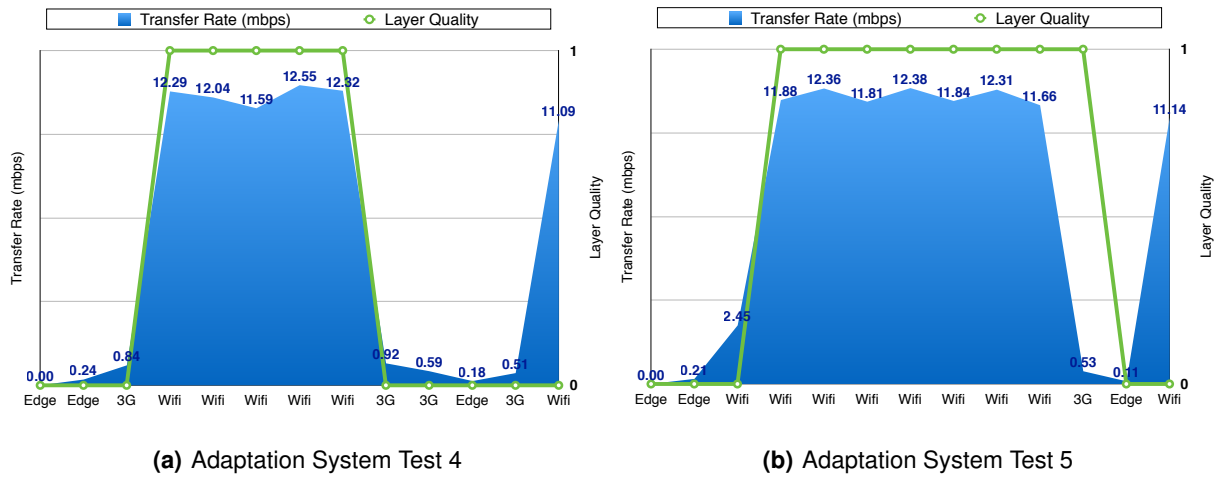


Figure 5.2: Adaptation System Behavior Test

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