PhD Application for The PhD Thesis "Decentralized Fog Computing Infrastructure Control"

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- Master Thesis
- 3 State-of-the-Art for Edge Clouding
- PhD Topic
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Personal Presentation

- A double diploma student.
 - Engineering diploma in telecommunication and computer science -Lebanese University, Faculty of engineering (ULFG).
 - Master's degree in Informatics Grenoble (MoSIG) Parallel, Distributed Systems Track - Grenoble INP (Institut national polytechnique), Ensimag (École nationale supérieure d'informatique et de mathématiques appliquées de Grenoble) jointly with UGA (université grenoble alpes), IMAG (Informatique, mathématiques, mathématiques appliquées de Grenoble).
- Research interest: Distributed systems, Networking.
- Master's thesis "Distributed Approach for Cross-Layer Resource Allocation in Wireless Sensor Networks" Jointly between LIG (Laboratoire d'Informatique de Grenoble) and VERIMAG.

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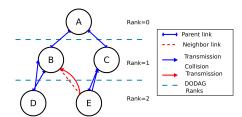
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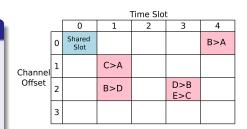
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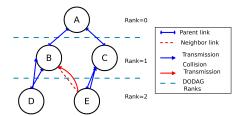
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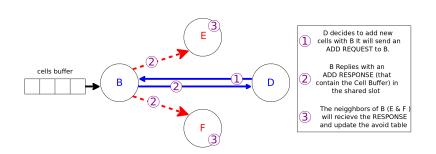


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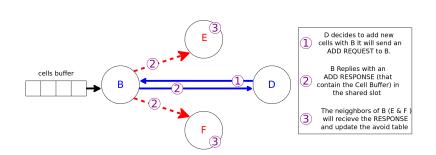
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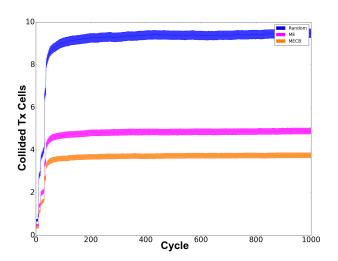


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- Result: 70% reduction in the colliding Tx cells.



Master thesis Results



• Paper to be submitted to conference WiMob 2017.

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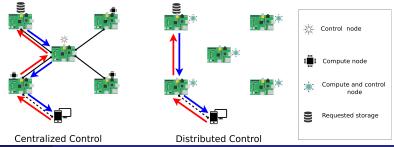
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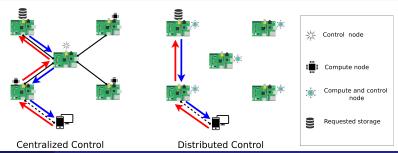
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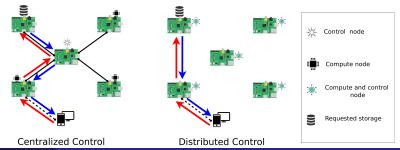
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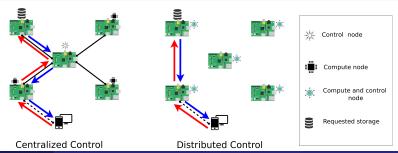
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- Application developers should not handle the complexity of application deployment, fault tolerance, reconfiguration, or elasticity.



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- One interesting direction: gossip-based algorithms for the coordination of multiple schedulers.

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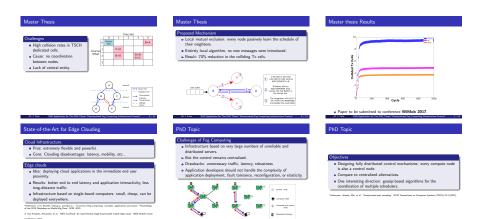
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- The field of cloud and distributed systems is currently undergoing a revolution, and I want to be a part of this revolution.



Thanks for your attention! Questions?