

Design and Development of Green Software

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Introduction



Growth of ICT devices and services

Impact on People's Lives Energy Demand



Belkhir et al. estimate that ICT devices will produce 14% of global CO₂ emissions by 2040 [1]

[1] Belkhir, L., Elmeliigi, A.: Assessing ICT global emissions footprint: Trends to 2040 & recommendations, Journal of Cleaner Production, 2018

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Introduction



HW power consumption savings
(Frog)

Poor design decisions at the SW level (Scorpion)

"Software-related CO₂ emissions account for 4-5% of global emissions. This is equivalent to the emissions of all aviation, shipping, and rail combined" [2]

Techniques to reduce **SW energy consumption** are crucial to achieve Net Zero Goals

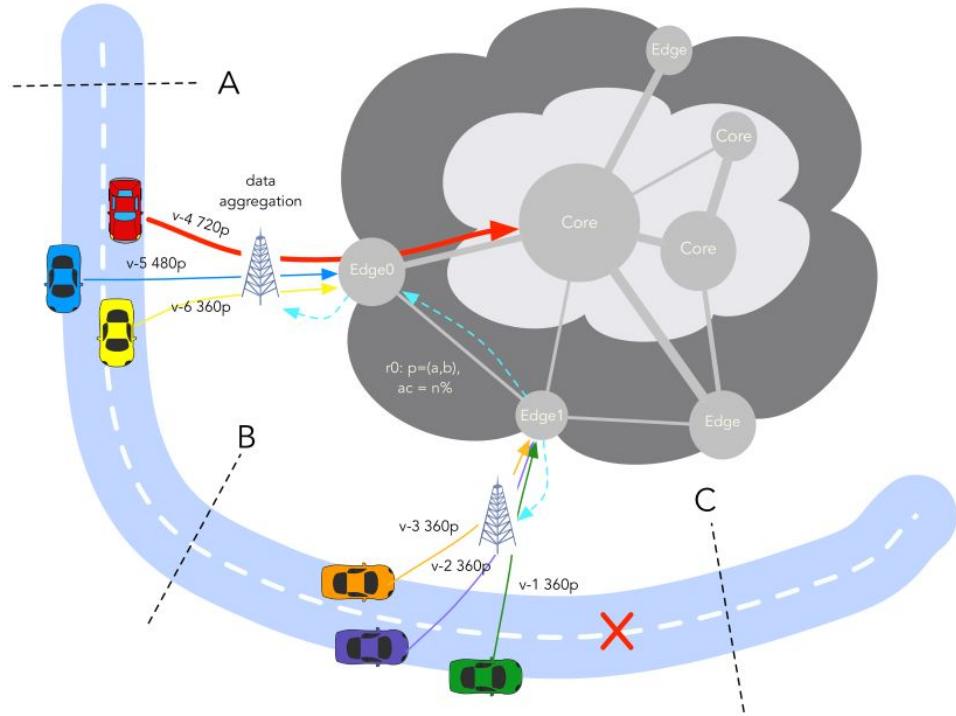
[2] Green Software Foundation, 2023 State of Green Software,
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An holistic view of software energy consumption

- **Optimizing** overall energy consumption is **complex**
- SoA offers **domain-specific energy models/techniques**, none of them provides the overall picture
- Identify **energy hotspots**
- Exploit **Modeling** and **Simulation**

Inductive approach: we collect empirical evidence that we analyze





Green Architectural Tactics for the Cloud

tactics: “**design decisions** that influence the achievement of **a quality attribute response**”

Example: Apply Edge Computing

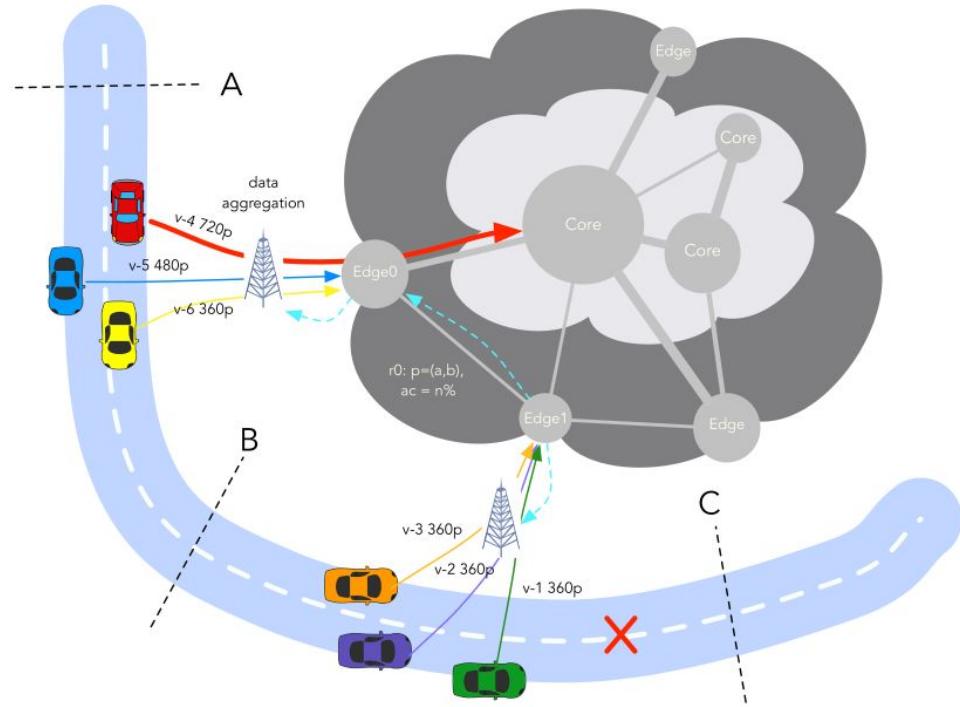
Real-Time Object Detection

QoS depends on connectivity

Edge Benefits:

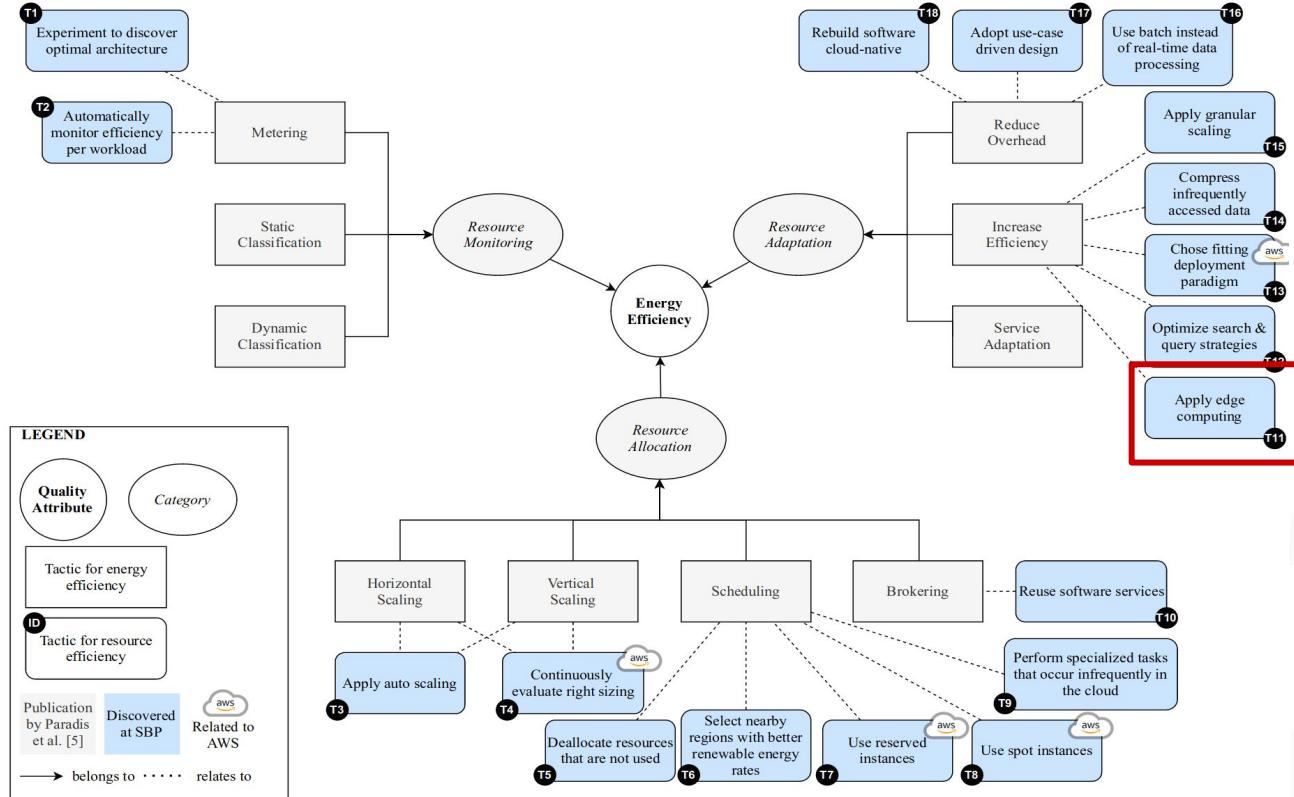
Reduced Latency

Energy Savings





Green Architectural Tactics for the Cloud





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- Energy Efficiency Across **Programming Languages**
 - Empirical Evaluation of **Two Best Practices** for Energy-Efficient Software Development
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- Catalog of **Energy Patterns** for **Mobile** Applications
- {
- An Approach Using Performance **Models** for Supporting Energy Analysis of Software Systems
 - An independent assessment and improvement of the **Digital Environmental Footprint formulas**
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- Data Mining
- Model-Based

In this lecture, you will find:

- **Tools** and **approaches** for **evaluating** SW energy consumption
- **Well-conducted** experiments

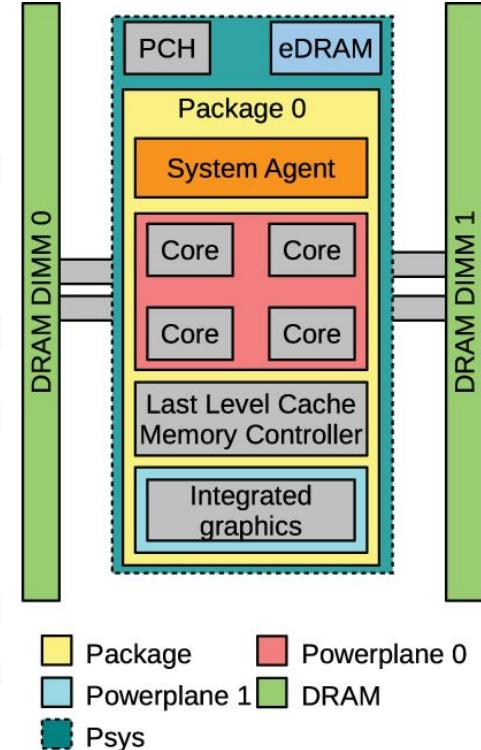


Running Average Power Limit (RAPL)

Interface provided by Intel and implemented on **modern** Intel/AMD processors

- **PKG:** The entire package
 - PP0: The cores.
 - PP1: An uncore device, usually the GPU (not available on all processor models.)
- **DRAM:** main memory (not available on all processor models.)

The following relationship holds: $PP0 + PP1 \leq PKG$. DRAM is independent of the other three domains.





RAPL support

- Supported by Intel Processors since Intel **SandyBridge** Architecture (**2011**)
- Supported by AMD Processors since **AMD Family 17h** Processors (**2017**)
- **there isn't** any RAPL-like event for **ARM**
 - Use Power Monitor (e.g., INA219)
 - Estimations

RAPL-based Tools:

- Intel Power Gadget (*Windows/Mac*)
- Powerstat/Powertop/perf (*Linux*)
- Powermetrics (*Mac*)
- SmartWatts (*Linux*)

```
#define MSR_RAPL_POWER_UNIT      0x606

/*
 * Platform specific RAPL Domains.
 * Note that PP1 RAPL Domain is supported on 062A only
 * And DRAM RAPL Domain is supported on 062D only
 */
/* Package RAPL Domain */
#define MSR_PKG_RAPL_POWER_LIMIT    0x610
#define MSR_PKG_ENERGY_STATUS      0x611
#define MSR_PKG_PERF_STATUS        0x613
#define MSR_PKG_POWER_INFO          0x614
```



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Supported

```
vincenzo@GreenLab-STF:/sys/devices/platform$ sudo rdmsr 0x606  
a0e03  
vincenzo@GreenLab-STF:/sys/devices/platform$ █
```

Not Supported

```
(base) vincenzo@gl4:/sys/devices/platform$ sudo rdmsr 0x606  
rdmsr: CPU 0 cannot read MSR 0x00000606  
(base) vincenzo@gl4:/sys/devices/platform$ █
```



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Energy Efficiency Across Programming Languages

Energy Efficiency across Programming Languages

How Do Energy, Time, and Memory Relate?

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Abstract

This paper presents a study of the runtime, memory usage and energy consumption of twenty seven well-known software languages. We monitor the performance of such languages using ten different programming problems, expressed in each of the languages. Our results show interesting findings, such as, slower/faster languages consuming less/more energy, and how memory usage influences energy consumption. We show how to use our results to provide software engineers support to decide which language to use when energy efficiency is a concern.

CCS Concepts • Software and its engineering → Software performance; General programming languages;

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1 Introduction

productivity - by incorporating advanced features in the language design, like for instance powerful modular and type systems - and at efficiently execute such software - by developing, for example, aggressive compiler optimizations. Indeed, most techniques were developed with the main goal of helping software developers in producing faster programs. In fact, in the last century *performance* in software languages was in almost all cases synonymous of *fast execution time* (embedded systems were probably the single exception).

In this century, this reality is quickly changing and software energy consumption is becoming a key concern for computer manufacturers, software language engineers, programmers, and even regular computer users. Nowadays, it is usual to see mobile phone users (which are powerful computers) avoiding using CPU intensive applications just to save battery/energy. While the concern on the computers' energy efficiency started by the hardware manufacturers, it quickly became a concern for software developers too [28]. In fact, this is a recent and intensive area of research where several techniques to analyze and optimize the energy consumption of software systems are being developed. Some techniques already provide knowledge on the efficiency of data structures [15, 27] and android language the energy impact of different programming platforms [18, 22, 31] and desktop applications [20, 24, 25].

	Energy		
(c) C	1.00	(v) F#	4.13
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(c) Swift	2.79	(i) Python	75.88
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(v) C#	3.14		
(c) Go	3.23		
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(v) F#	4.13		



Energy Efficiency Across Programming Languages

Motivation:

Provide software engineers **support** to decide **which language** to use when energy **efficiency** is a concern

Method:

Profile **10 well-known problems** implemented in **27 programming languages**

Research Questions:

RQ1 Can we **compare** energy efficiency of SW languages?

RQ2 Is the **faster** language always the **most** energy efficient?

RQ3 How does **memory usage** relates to energy consumption?

RQ4 Can we **automatically decide** the **best** SW language

considering execution time, energy consumption, memory?



Computer Language Benchmarks Game (CLBG)

CLBG is a **framework** for running, testing and comparing programming languages

Born in 00s for comparing scripting languages.
Nowadays, it includes **13 problems** implemented in
28 programming languages

fannkuch-redux

source	secs	mem	gz	cpu secs
C++ g++ #6	3.23	10,936	1528	12.80
Rust #6	3.51	11,036	1253	13.93
C++ g++ #7	14.04	10,912	1150	14.04
Rust #4	7.21	10,932	1020	28.34

Benchmark	Description
n-body	Double precision N-body simulation
fannkuch-redux	Indexed access to tiny integer sequence
spectral-norm	Eigenvalue using the power method
mandelbrot	Generate Mandelbrot set portable bitmap file
pidigits	Streaming arbitrary precision arithmetic
regex-redux	Match DNA 8mers and substitute magic patterns
fasta	Generate and write random DNA sequences
k-nucleotide	Hashtable update and k-nucleotide strings
reverse-complement	Read DNA sequences, write their reverse-complement
binary-trees	Allocate, traverse and deallocate many binary trees
chameneos-redux	Symmetrical thread rendezvous requests
meteor-contest	Search for solutions to shape packing puzzle
thread-ring	Switch from thread to thread passing one token



Experiment Design and Execution

- **Most efficient version** (i.e. fastest) version of the source code
- Replicated **the information** of the CLBG
- **Functional Correctness** Verification
- Each benchmark has been executed 10 times
- **Peak Memory Usage** measured with using `/usr/bin/time -v` command

```
...
for (i = 0 ; i < N ; i++){
    time_before = getTime(...);
    //performs initial energy measurement
    rapl_before(...);

    //executes the program
    system(command);

    //computes the difference between
    //this measurement and the initial one
    rapl_after(...);
    time_elapsed = getTime(...) - time_before;
    ...
}
```

Figure: Measurement Framework



RQ2: Is Faster, Greener?

No, a faster language is **not always** the most energy efficient

- Energy (J) = Power (W) x Time (s)

Fastest and most *Energy Efficient* Languages:

- Compiled
- Imperative

87-88% of the energy consumption **derived from the CPU** and the remaining to the DRAM

	Energy	Time	Ratio	Mb
(c) Rust ↓ ₉	26.15	931	0.028	16
(c) Fortran ↓ ₆	27.62	1661	0.017	1
(c) C ↑ ₁ ↓ ₁	27.64	973	0.028	3
(c) C++ ↑ ₁ ↓ ₂	34.88	1164	0.030	4
(v) Java ↑ ₁ ↓ ₁₂	35.86	1249	0.029	41
(c) Swift ↓ ₉	37.06	1405	0.026	31
(c) Go ↓ ₂	40.45	1838	0.022	4
(c) Ada ↓ ₂ ↑ ₃	40.45	2765	0.015	3
(c) Ocaml ↓ ₂ ↓ ₁₅	40.78	3171	0.013	201
(c) Chapel ↑ ₅ ↓ ₁₀	40.88	1379	0.030	53
(v) C# ↑ ₄ ↓ ₅	45.35	1549	0.029	35
(i) Dart ↓ ₆	63.61	4787	0.013	49
(i) JavaScript ↓ ₁	64.84	5098	0.013	30
(c) Pascal ↓ ₁ ↑ ₁₃	68.63	5478	0.013	0
(i) TypeScript ↓ ₂ ↓ ₁₀	82.72	6909	0.012	271
(v) F# ↑ ₂ ↑ ₃	93.11	5360	0.017	27
(v) Racket ↓ ₁ ↑ ₅	120.90	8255	0.015	21
(c) Haskell ↑ ₂ ↓ ₈	205.52	5728	0.036	446
(v) Lisp ↓ ₂	231.49	15763	0.015	75
(i) Hack ↓ ₃	237.70	17203	0.014	120
(i) Lua ↑ ₁₈	347.37	24617	0.014	3
(i) PHP ↓ ₁ ↑ ₁₃	430.73	29508	0.015	14
(v) Erlang ↑ ₁ ↑ ₁₂	477.81	27852	0.017	18
(i) Ruby ↓ ₁ ↑ ₂	852.30	61216	0.014	104
(i) JRuby ↑ ₁ ↓ ₂	912.93	49509	0.018	705
(i) Python ↓ ₁ ↑ ₁₈	1,061.41	74111	0.014	9
(i) Perl ↑ ₁ ↑ ₈	2,684.33	61463	0.044	53



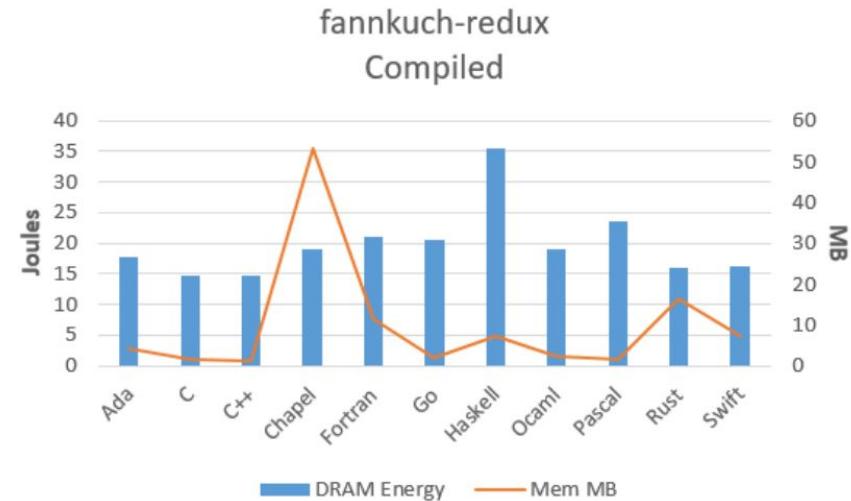
RQ3: Memory Impact on Energy

Peak memory usage: how memory is saved at a given point of the execution

Best Languages:

- Imperative
- Compiled

No correlation between DRAM energy consumption and peak memory usage



ToDo: correlation between energy consumption and continuous memory usage



RQ4: Energy vs Time vs Memory

Time & Memory	Energy & Time	Energy & Memory	Energy & Time & Memory
C • Pascal • Go	C	C • Pascal	C • Pascal • Go
Rust • C++ • Fortran	Rust	Rust • C++ • Fortran • Go	Rust • C++ • Fortran
Ada	C++	Ada	Ada
Java • Chapel • Lisp • Ocaml	Ada	Java • Chapel • Lisp	Java • Chapel • Lisp • Ocaml
Haskell • C#	Java	OCaml • Swift • Haskell	Swift • Haskell • C#
Swift • PHP	Pascal • Chapel	C# • PHP	Dart • F# • Racket • Hack • PHP
F# • Racket • Hack • Python	Lisp • Ocaml • Go	Dart • F# • Racket • Hack • Python	JavaScript • Ruby • Python
JavaScript • Ruby	Fortran • Haskell • C#	JavaScript • Ruby	TypeScript • Erlang
Dart • TypeScript • Erlang	Swift	TypeScript	Lua • JRuby • Perl
JRuby • Perl	Dart • F#	Erlang • Lua • Perl	
Lua	JavaScript	JRuby	
	Racket		
	TypeScript • Hack		
	PHP		
	Erlang		
	Lua • JRuby		
	Ruby		



Summary

- **Compiled and Imperative** programming language **perform better** and **more energy/memory efficient**
- It is not possible to find a programming language that **improves all three attributes**
- **CPU** seems consuming most of the **energy consumption**
- An evaluation of memory usage over time **is missing**

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ABSTRACT

Background. Energy efficiency is an increasingly important property of software. A large number of empirical studies have been conducted on the topic. However, current state-of-the-art guidelines are not empirically validated for developing energy-efficient software.

Aim. This study aims at assessing the impact, in terms of energy savings, of best practices for improving software energy efficiency, elicited from previous work. By doing so, it identifies whether the practices and the possible trade-offs with energy consumption.

Method. We performed an empirical experiment in a controlled environment, where we applied different Green Software practices to two software applications, namely query optimization and usage of “sleep” instruction in the Apache web server. We then performed measurements of the energy consumption at system-level and at resource-level, before and after applying the practices.

Results. Our results show that both practices are effective in improving software energy efficiency, reducing consumption up to 25%. We observe that after applying the practices, resource usage is energy-proportional i.e., increasing CPU usage increases energy consumption in an almost linear fashion. The results also provide our reflections on empirical experimentation in software energy efficiency.

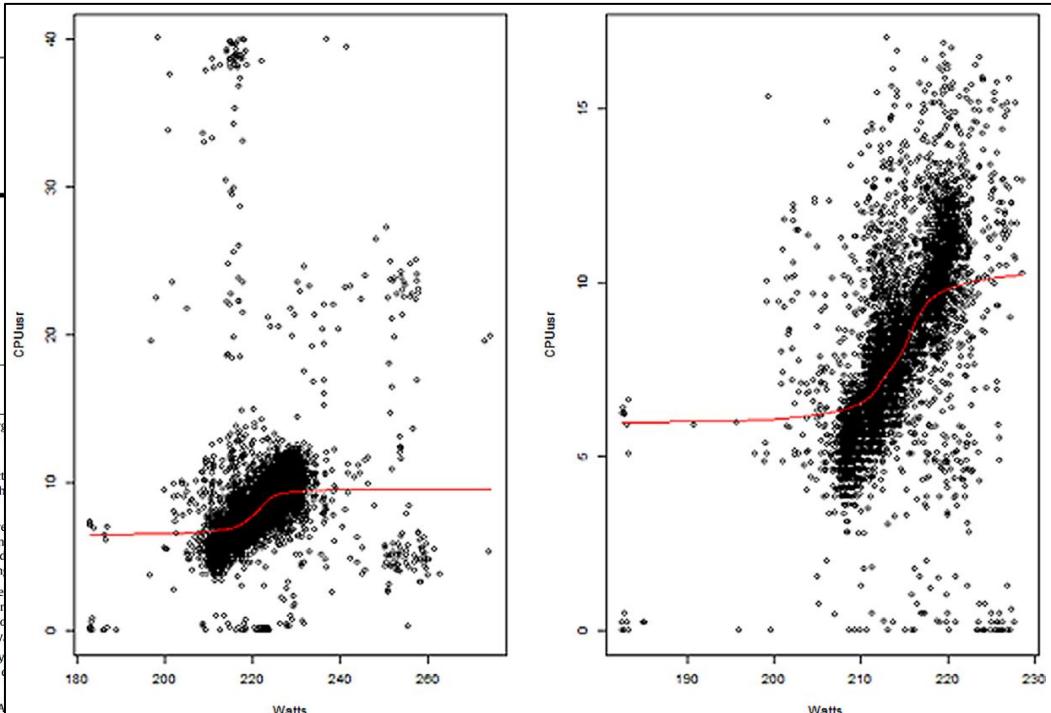
Conclusions. Our contribution shows that significant improvements in software energy efficiency can be achieved by applying best practices during design and development. Future work will be done to validate best practices, and to improve their reusability.

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1. Introduction

The energy impact of software has been recognized as significant with respect to the overall energy consumption of its execution environment (Capra et al., 2012b; Procaccianti et al., 2012). Many researchers have been working on sophisticated software power models (Simha and Chandrakasan, 2000; Kansal and Zhao, 2008) able to estimate and predict the energy consumption of software applications through different parameters. In spite of this ef-

To understand how software can impact on energy consumption, consider the following example¹: after launch, the popular YouTube video of the “Gangnam Style” song reached a record amount of visualizations during the first year after its publication, roughly 1.7 billion. The amount of energy used by Google to transfer 1 MB across the Internet (as reported by the company website²) is 0.01 kWh (a rough average), and displaying 0.002 kWh (depending on the destination device). Hence, the energy needed to stream and display the “Gangnam





Empirical Evaluation of Two Best Practices for Energy-Efficient Software Development

Motivation:

Current SoA does not provide **empirical evidence** of tactics for green software

Method:

Controlled Experiment in which **two practices** were empirically evaluated

Research Questions

RQ1: What is the **impact of each practice** in terms of energy consumption?

RQ2: Is the **relationship** between **resources and power consumption** affected by the application of each practice?



Experiment Design

Two Practices: (1) *Put application to sleep* and (2) *Use Efficient Query*

Quasi-Experiment:

Practices **manually** applied to two open-source SW applications:
Apache Web Server for (1) and MySQL Database Server for (2)

Dependent Variables:

1. Energy Consumption at **System-Level**
2. Energy Values of **Each Resource** (CPU, Disk, Network, Memory)

Independent Variables:

- Fixed Workload
- Absence/Application of a Green SW Practice (2 Treatments)
- Fixed Test machine (HW/SW)



Experiment Execution

10 executions for each practice

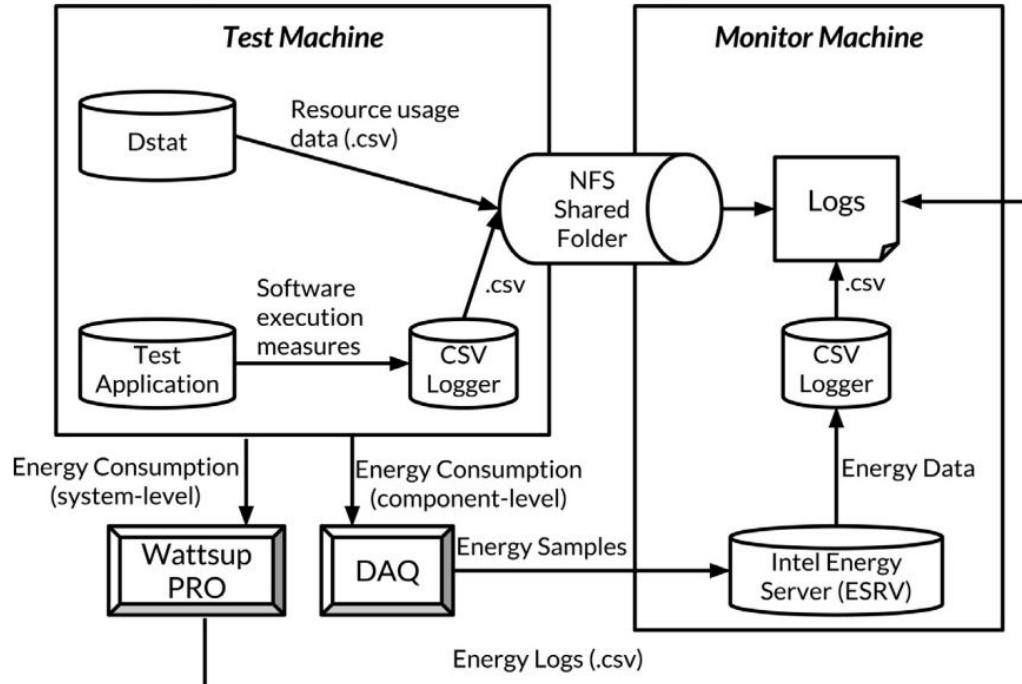


Figure: Experiment Setting



Experiment Execution

Practice 1: Use Efficient Queries:

- Database **populated** with the English Version of Wikipedia (30GB)
- **Query searching** for text fragments

Practice 2: Put Application to Sleep

- `sleep()` while waiting for a HTTP Request
- Workload made of **5 million** requests with **max 50 concurrent requests** and a time limit of **5 min** (ab utility)

```
SELECT SQL_NO_CACHE a.old_id  
FROM text a, revision b  
WHERE a.old_id = b.rev_text_id  
ORDER BY a.old_id;
```

Figure: Query before applying the practice

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```

Figure: Query after applying the practice



Efficient Query - Results

RQ1: What is the impact of each practice in terms of energy consumption?

- **Low decrease** in **Power Consumption** due to performance optimization

RQ2: Is the relationship between resources and power consumption affected by the application of each practice?

- **Direct Correlation** between **CPU and Disk Consumption**
- **After** applying the practice, the correlation I/O operations and Energy have **negative correlation** (CPU Inactive)



Put Application to Sleep - Results

RQ1: What is the impact of each practice in terms of energy consumption?

- Almost **no difference between Power and Energy Consumption Improvement** (correlation between performance and energy)

RQ2: Is the relationship between resources and power consumption affected by the application of each practice?

- Confirmed **Energy-Proportional** Behavior
- CPU not the main driver of energy consumption since Memory has **the same consumption**

Summary

- The paper confirms the **importance** of Green Software Tactics
 - **Significant Energy Reduction (25%)**
 - **Impact** on Resource Consumption
- Energy Consumption should be considered **a first-class design concern**

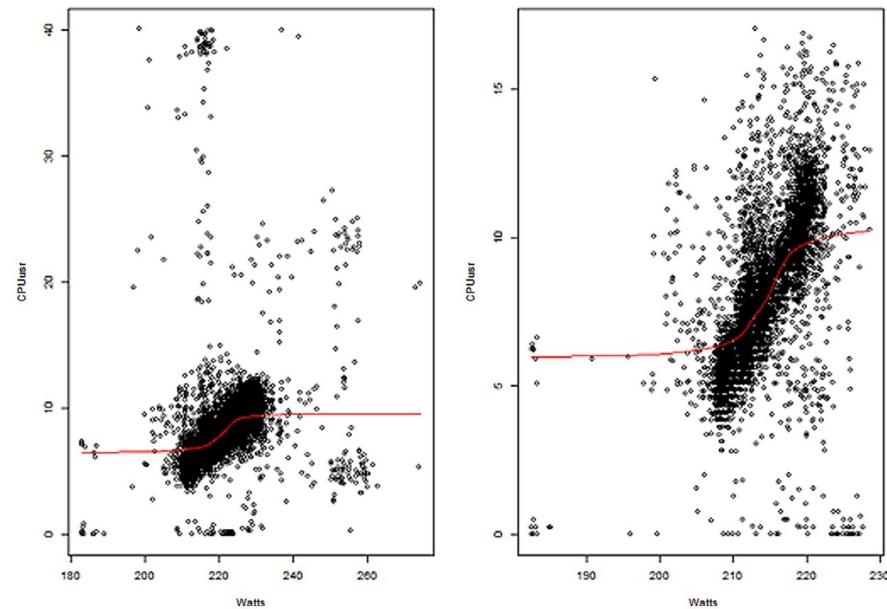


Figure: CPU utilization and CPU Energy Consumption before and after applying Practice 1



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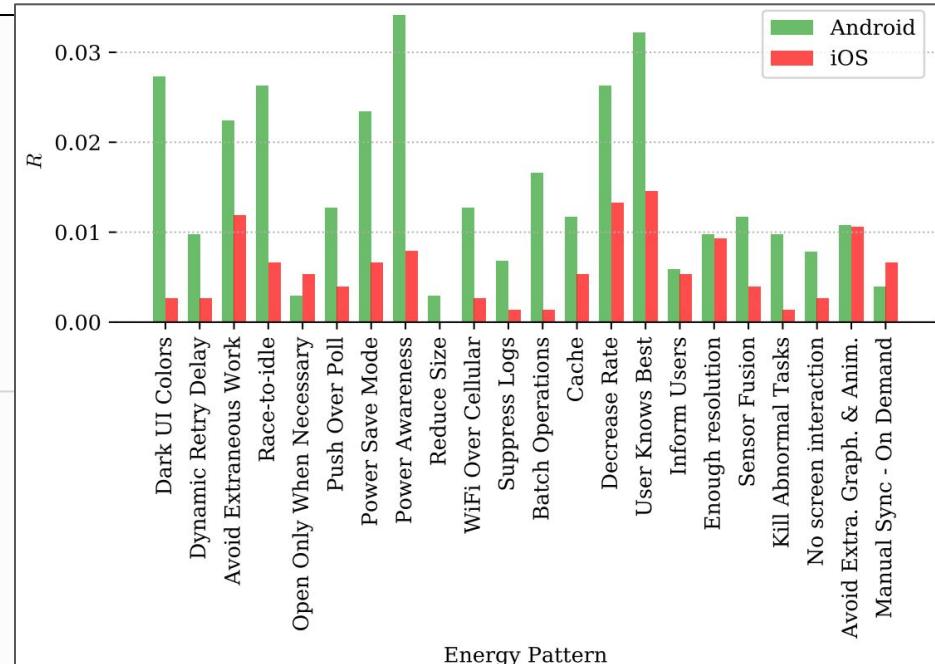
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Abstract

Software engineers make use of design patterns for reasons that range from performance to code comprehensibility. Several design patterns capturing the body of knowledge of best practices have been proposed in the past, namely creational, structural and behavioral patterns. However, with the advent of mobile devices, it becomes a necessity a catalog of design patterns for energy efficiency. In this work, we inspect commits, issues and pull requests of 1027 Android and 756 iOS apps to identify common practices when improving energy efficiency. This analysis yielded a catalog, available online, with 22 design patterns related to improving the energy efficiency of mobile apps. We argue that this catalog might be of relevance to other domains such as Cyber-Physical Systems and Internet of Things. As a side contribution, an analysis of the differences between Android and iOS devices shows that the Android community is more energy-aware.





Catalog of Energy Patterns for Mobile Applications

Motivation:

The adoption of **design patterns** is widespread across software developers, e.g., to **avoid performance bottlenecks and increase comprehensibility**

Method:

Mining software repositories: inspect commits, issues and pull requests on GitHub

Research Questions

RQ1: Which design patterns do mobile app developers **adopt** to improve energy efficiency?

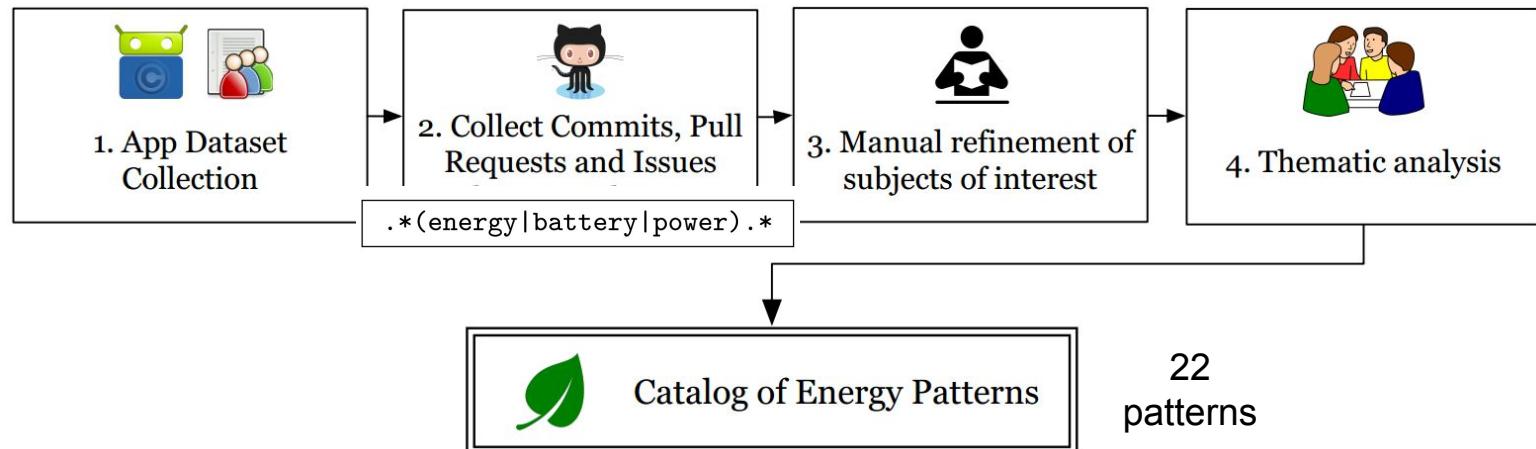
RQ2: How different are mobile app **practices** addressing energy efficiency **across** different **platforms?**



Catalog of Energy Patterns for Mobile Applications

Design Pattern: Each pattern describes a **recurrent** design problem, its **solution** and the **consequences** of applying it

1027 Android apps (F-Droid) and 756 iOS apps (Collaborative List of Open-Source iOS Apps)





Dataset Collection

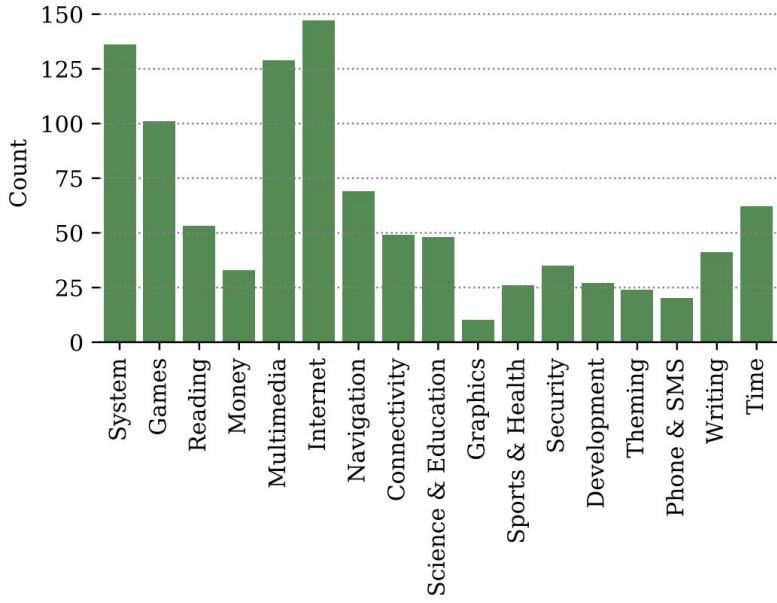


Figure: Android Applications Categories

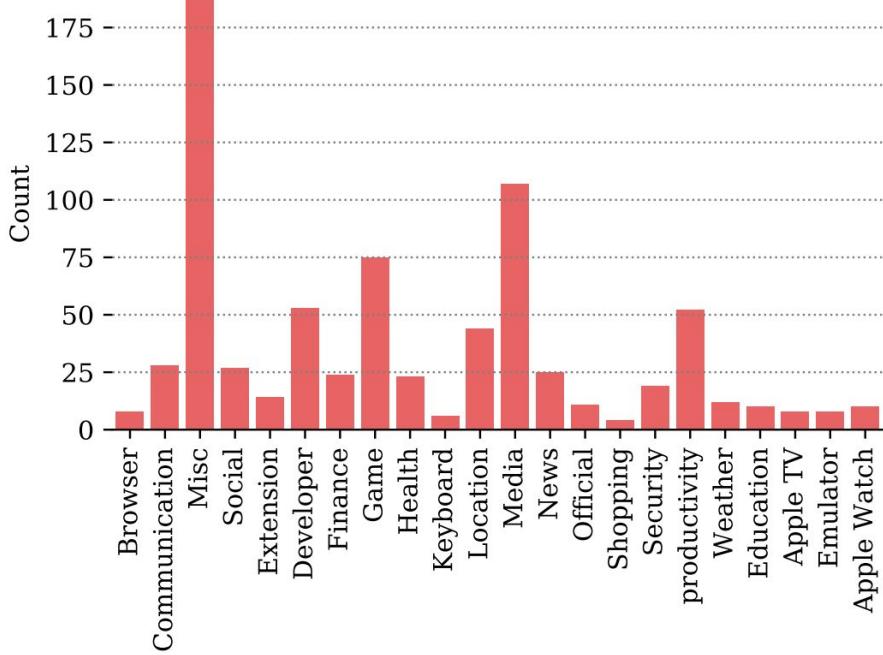


Figure: iOS Application Categories

1. <https://f-droid.org/>
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Dark UI Colors

Context:

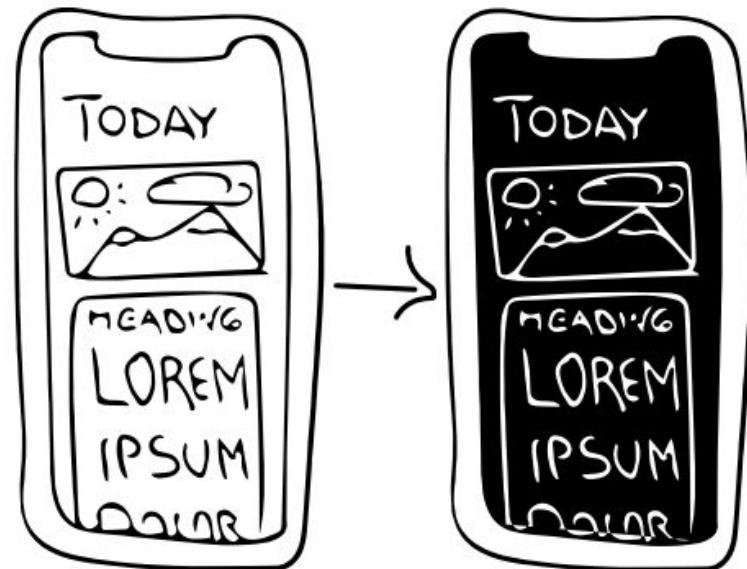
Apps that require heavy usage of screen (e.g., reading apps) can have a substantial negative impact on battery life

Solution:

Provide a UI with dark background colors

Example:

Provide a theme with a dark background using light colors to display text.





Dynamic Retry Delay

Context:

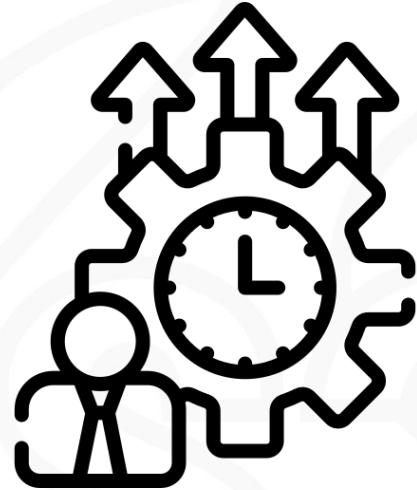
A resource is unavailable, the app will unnecessarily try to connect the resource for a number of times, leading to unnecessary power consumption.

Solution:

Increase retry interval after each failed connection

Example:

Instead of continuously polling the server until the server is available, use the Fibonacci series to increase the time between attempts





Batch Operations

Context:

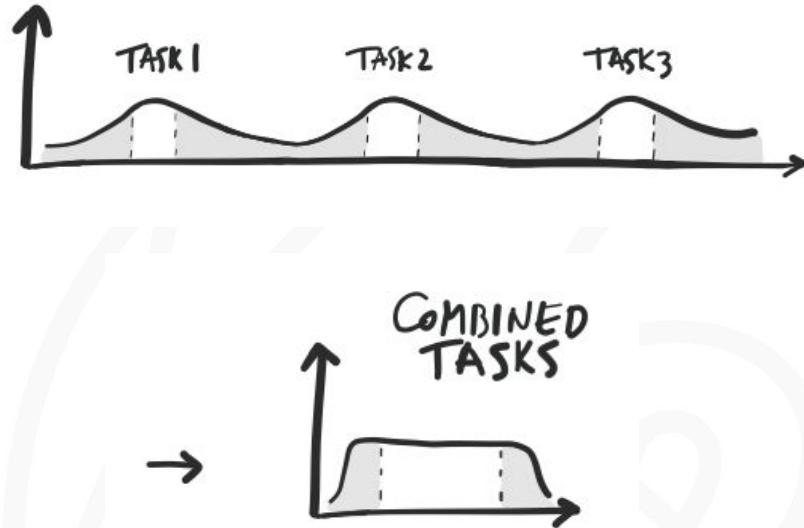
Executing operations separately leads to extraneous tail energy consumptions

Solution:

Bundle multiple operations in a single one. By combining multiple tasks, tail energy consumptions can be optimized

Example:

Use Job Scheduling APIs (e.g., 'android.app.job.JobScheduler', 'Firebase JobDispatcher') that manage multiple background tasks occurring in a device.



Cache

Context:

Same data is being collected from the server multiple times

Solution:

Implement caching mechanisms to temporarily store data from a server

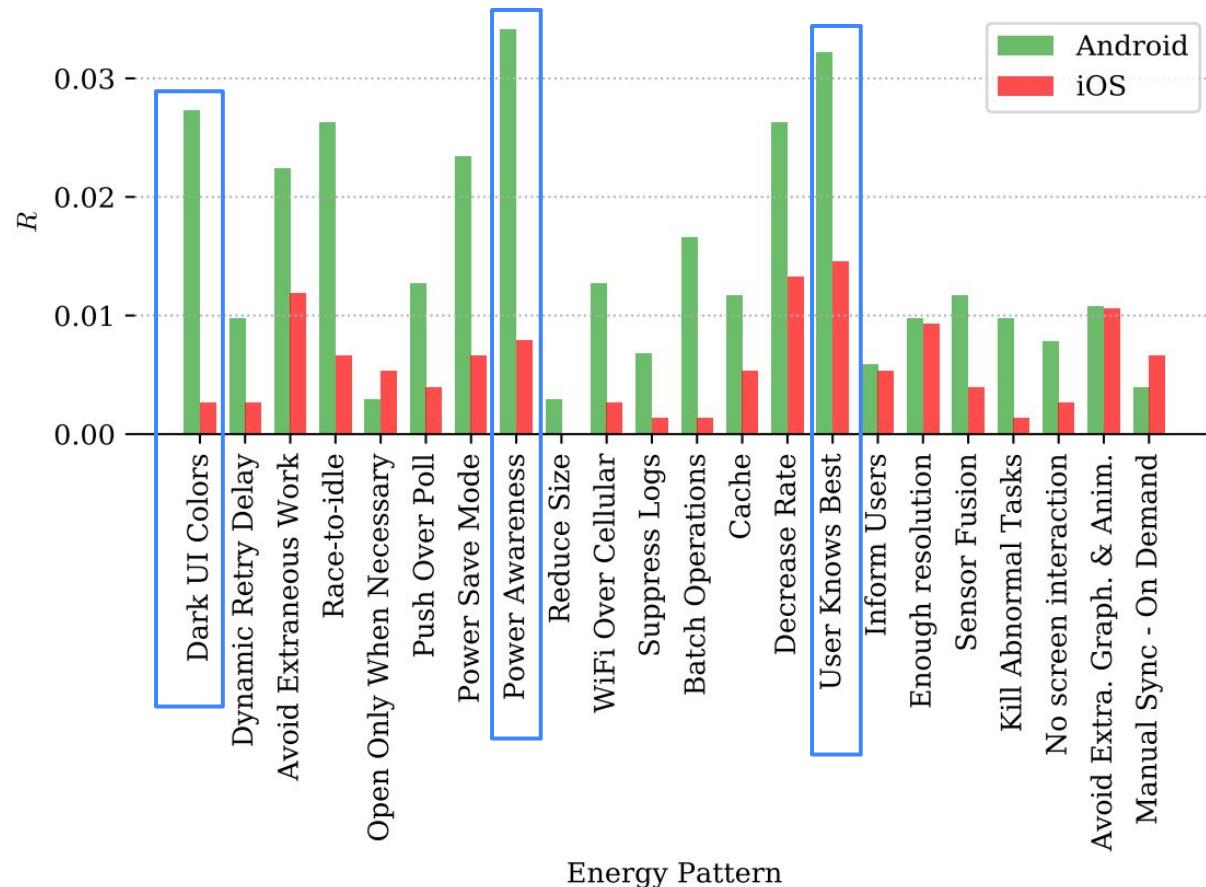
Example:

Instead of downloading basic information and profile pictures every time a given profile is opened, the app can use data that was locally stored from earlier visits





Energy Patterns Frequency



- **Patterns** found in 133 Android apps (13%) and 28 iOS apps (4%)
 - Reasons not deeply discussed in the study (App Store constraints)
- **Characteristics** of the **applications** can have **influenced** the results
 - Sample unbalanced
 - Technology (e.g., AMOLED Screen)
 - APIs Features (e.g., Batch Operations in Android)
- There is no empirical study that has evaluated the cost and benefit of applying these patterns



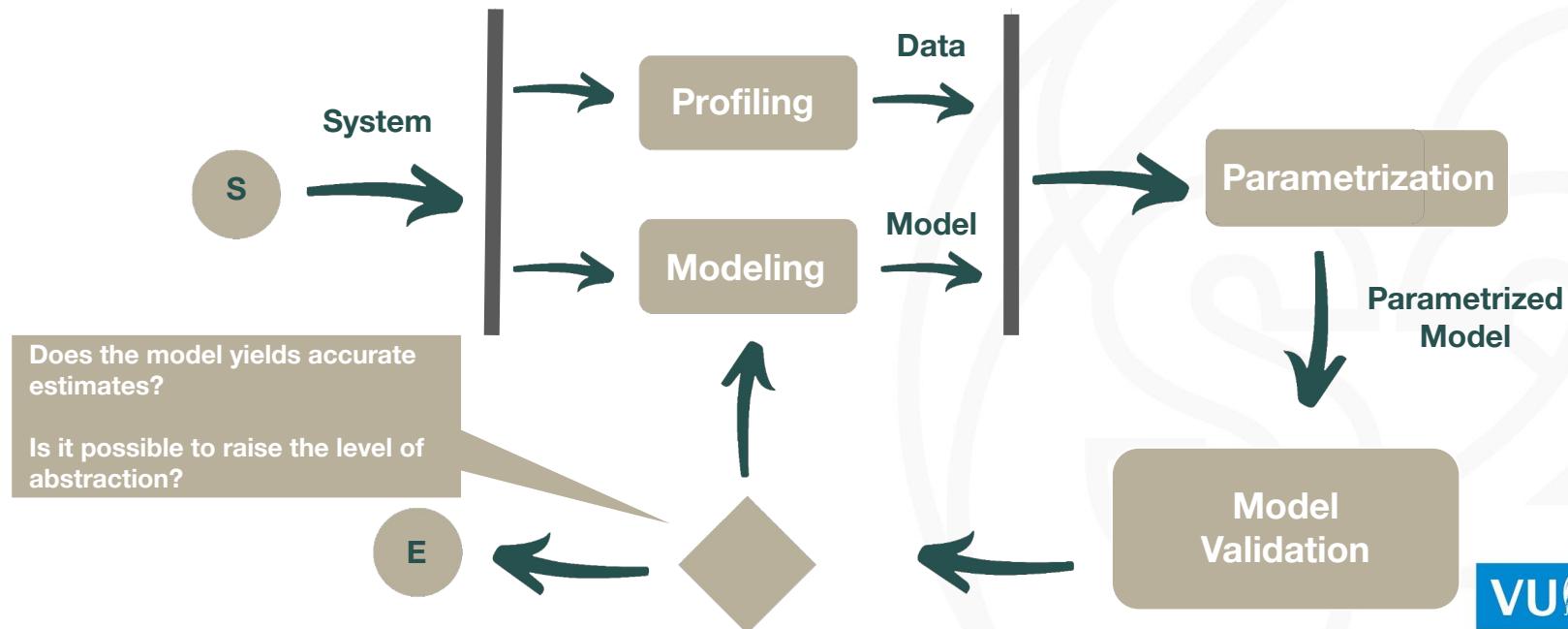
Outline

- Energy Efficiency Across **Programming Languages**
 - Empirical Evaluation of **Two Best Practices** for Energy-Efficient Software Development
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- Catalog of **Energy Patterns** for **Mobile** Applications
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- An Approach Using Performance **Models** for Supporting Energy Analysis of Software Systems
 - An independent assessment and improvement of the **Digital Environmental Footprint formulas**
- } **Measurement-Based**
- } **Data Mining**
- } **Model-Based**



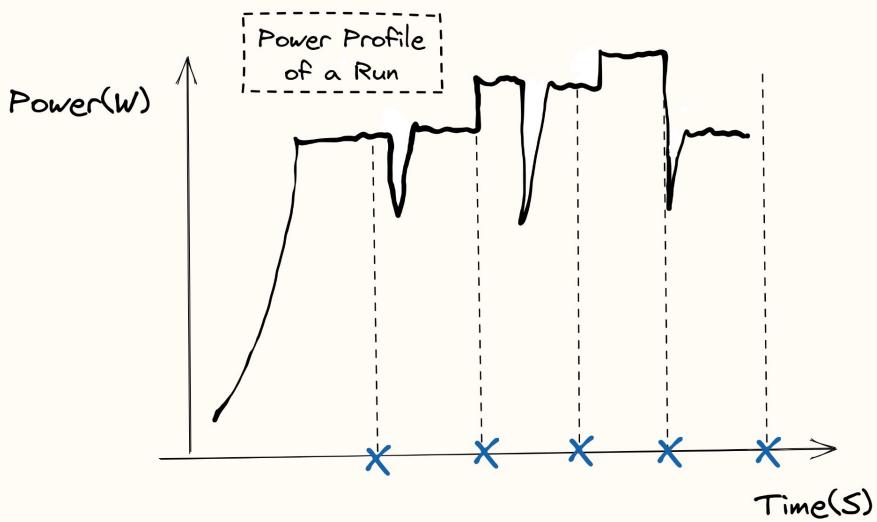
Reducing the Reality Gap

Explore the **combination** of measurement-based experiments and modeling in the context of **energy/performance** analysis of software systems





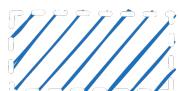
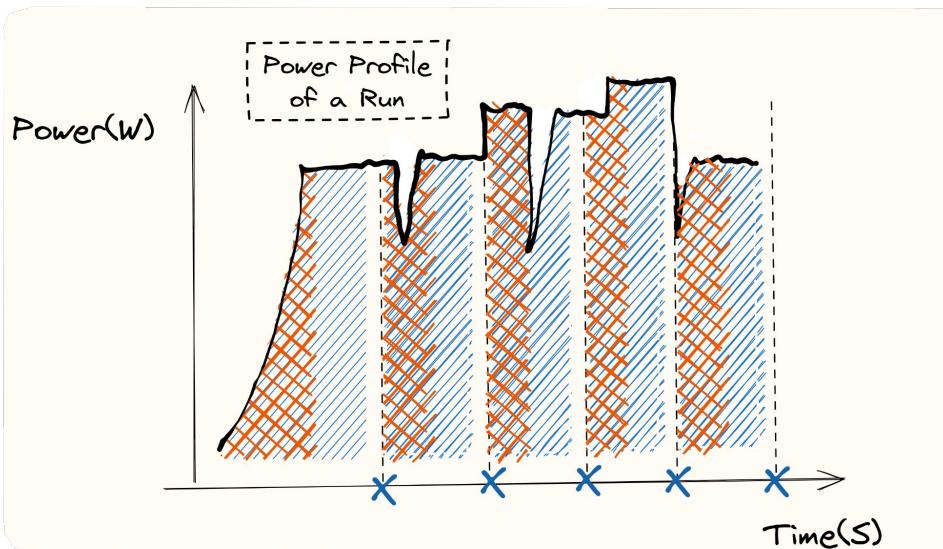
Power Profile



1. Behavior(Model) ~ Behavior(System)
2. Behavior → PowerProfile
3. PowerProfile(System) ~ PowerProfile(Model)



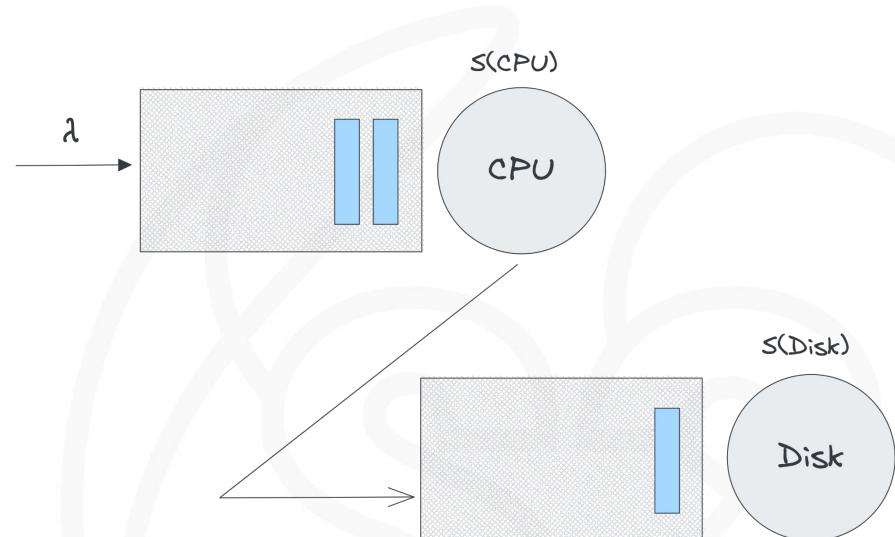
Queuing Networks



CPU-Time



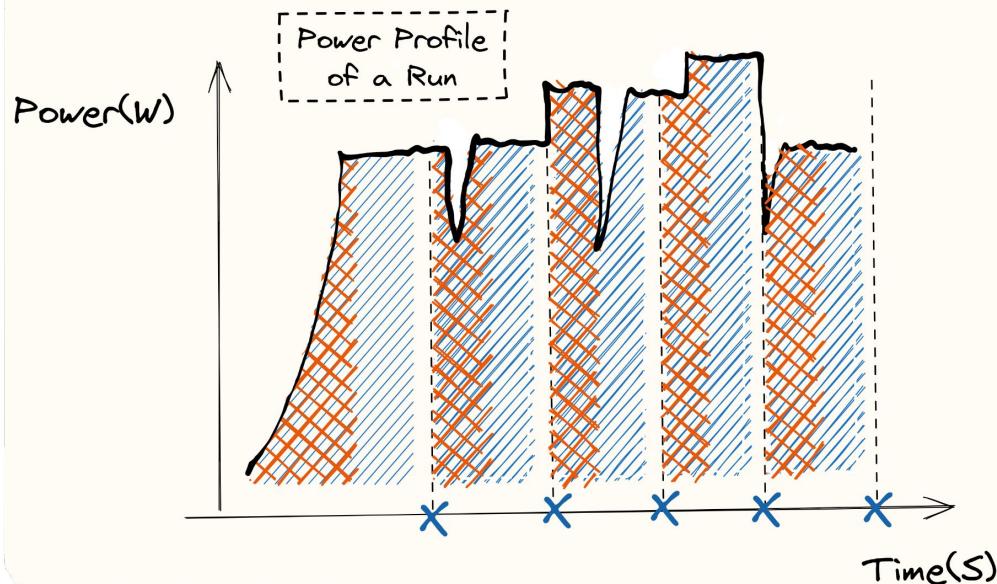
Disk-Time



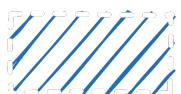
Observation
Time



Resources Average Power Consumption



$$E(res, i) = \int_{t0,i}^{S_{res}} P(t) dt \left[\frac{\text{Joule}}{\text{Visit}} \right] \quad (1)$$



CPU-Time



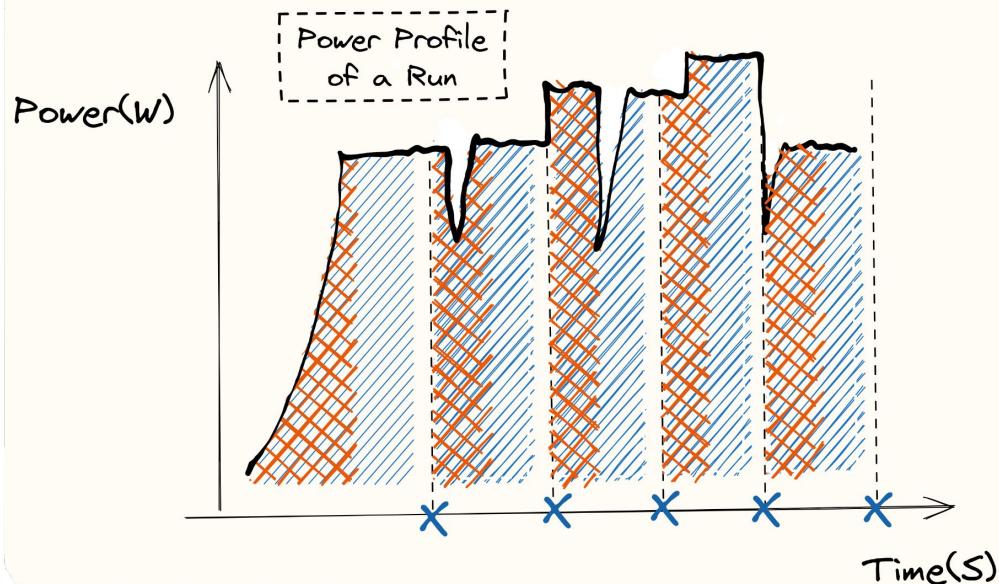
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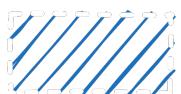


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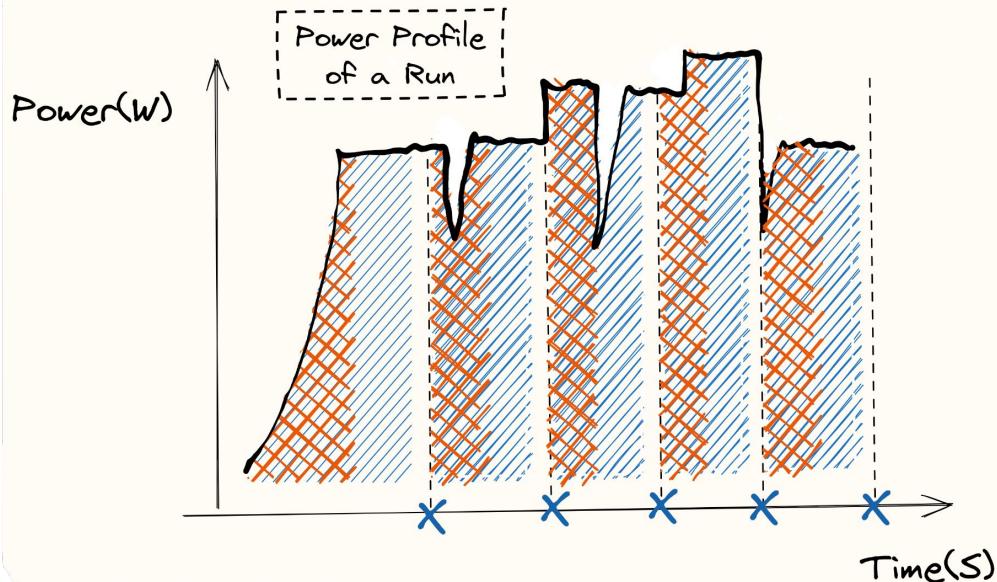
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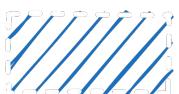
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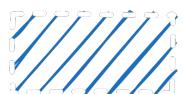
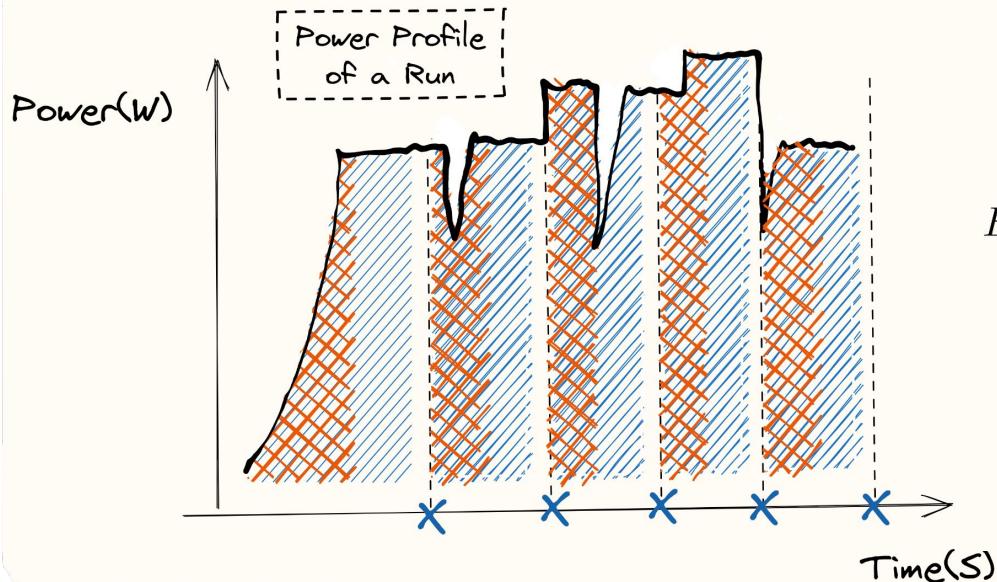
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Observation
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Disk-Time

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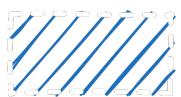
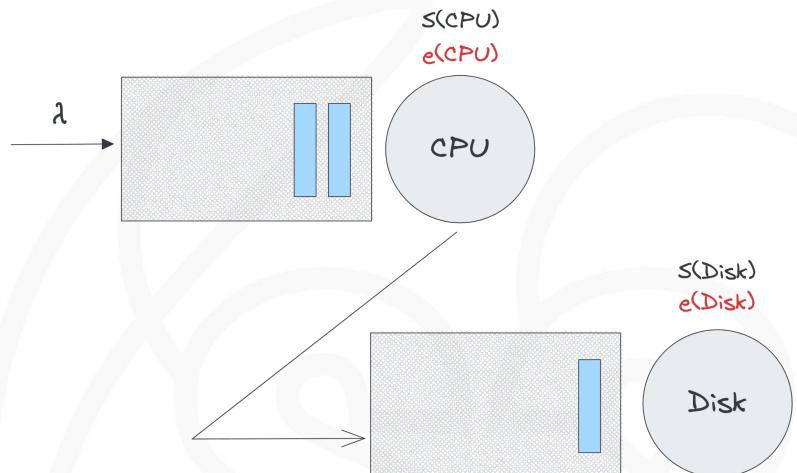
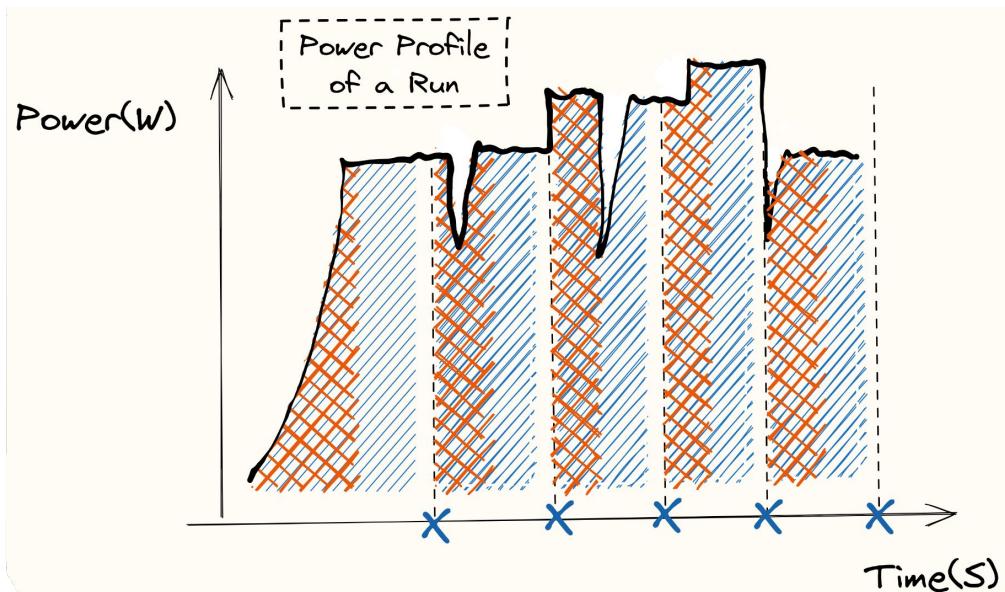
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Observation
Time



Resources Average Power Consumption



CPU-Time



Disk-Time



Observation
Time

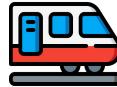


Resources Average Power Consumption

Two Case Studies:



Digital Camera [3]



Train Ticket Booking System [4]

For each case:

1. Observe the system under **scaled** workloads
2. Create a Layered Queuing Network (LQN) parametrized with measures obtained in the **shortest** experiment
3. **Compare** estimates vs measurements

Our approach, at the moment, considers only the cases in which energy consumption **grows linearly** with execution time

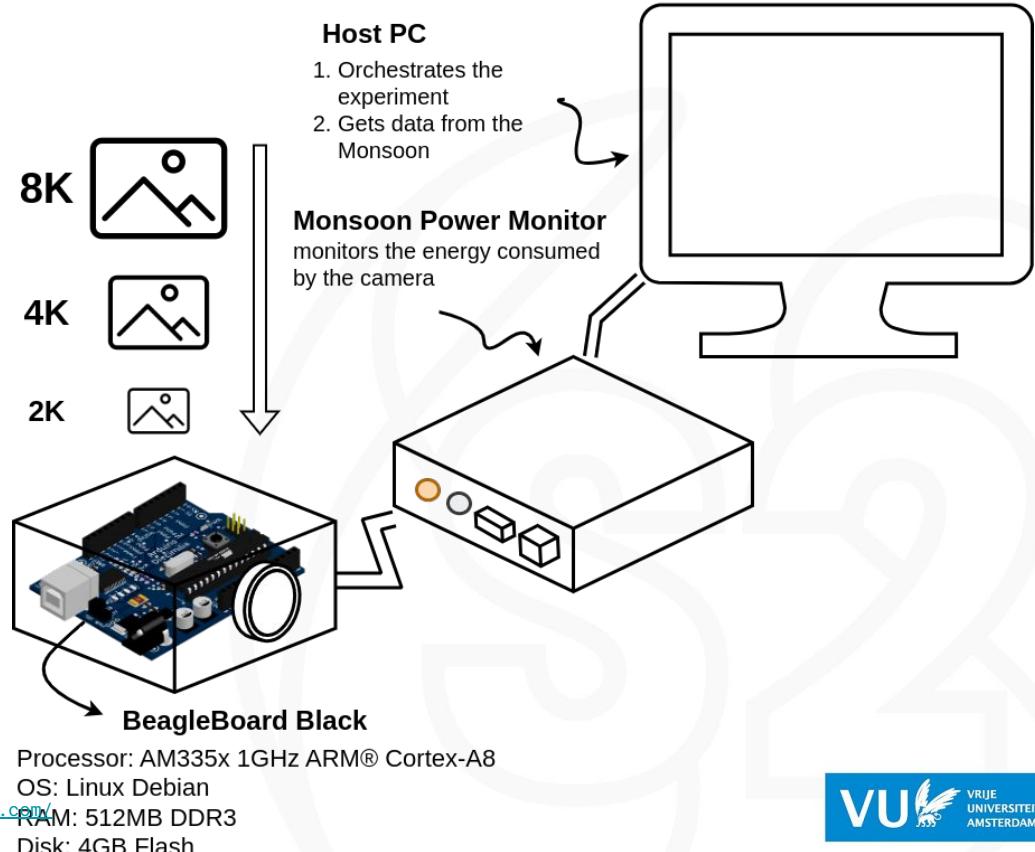


Digital Camera



A total of **thirty batches** are provided to the application, i.e., 10 per format.

A batch contains **30 pictures** of the same format chosen between 2K, 4K, and 8K





Digital Camera



Format	Response Time (s)	CPU Utilization (%)	e (J/s)	Average Energy (J)
2K	60.30 - 60.30	96.30 - 96.48	1.57	95.27 - 95.16
4K	240.36 - 240.30	96.76 - 96.12	1.59	382.46 - 379.24
8K	960.73 - 960.60	97.39 - 96.06	1.59	1537.96 - 1516.04

Cells presenting two values have measured value, on the left, and estimate, on the right

$$e(res) = \frac{E(res)}{S(res)} \left[\frac{\text{Joule}}{s} \right] \rightarrow E(res) = e(res) \times S(res) [\text{Joule}]$$



Train Ticket Booking System



M2

Executes TTBS

Workload



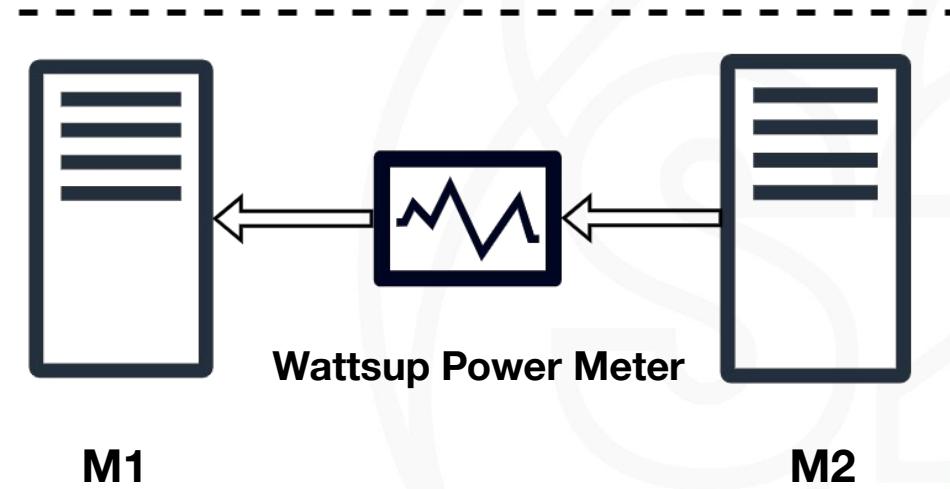
TTBS



M1

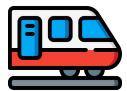
Generates **Bursts** of 75, 150,
225, 300, 375, 450, 500
Customers using **JMeter**

Records Performance and
Power Consumption
Values

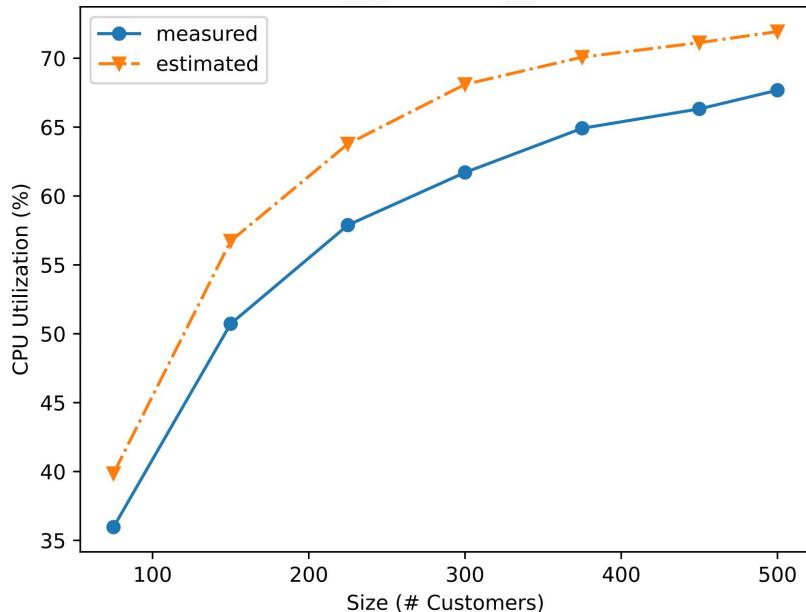
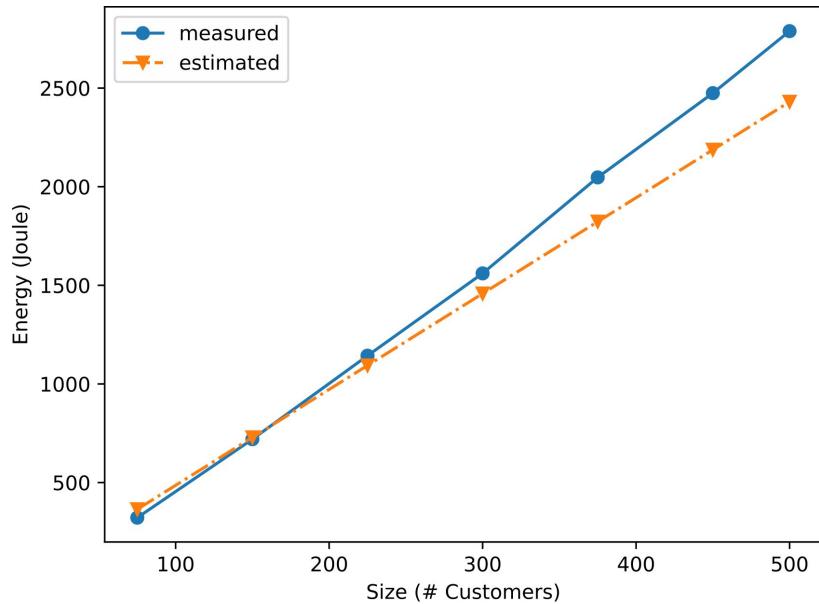




Train Ticket Booking System



*Mean Absolute Percentage Error: (i) 9.24% CPU Util. (ii) 8.47% Energy Consumption
Experimentation Time: from 5 hours to 35 minutes*





Limitations

Data sampled during the shortest experiment **can be not representative** of the SW

The set of data points evaluated in both case studies is **too small**

Future Work

Examine the performance and energy consumption of **resources other than the CPU**, such as the disk and network

Consider **different modeling notations** that could be more suitable in specific application domains

Consider cases in which CPU frequency and voltage are **dynamically adjusted** (DVFS)



Assessment and Improvement of DEF formulas

If direct measurements are impossible (Cloud), **closed-form energy models** can help quick **decision making** and **rough estimations**

Sustainable Digital Infrastructure Alliance (SDIA):

Digital Environmental Footprint (**DEF**) set of formulas for energy consumption estimation of **software services**

$$E_{tot} = E_{cpu} + E_{mem} + E_{IO} + E_{net} + \beta_{idle}$$

$$E_{tot} = U_{cpu}f_{cpu}(U_{cpu}) + U_{mem}f_{mem}(U_{mem}) + \\ U_{IO}f_{IO}(U_{IO}) + U_{net}f_{net}(U_{net}) + \beta_{idle}$$



Energy Model

A1: We can use the Thermal Design Power (TDP) to indicate the energy consumption of a server when full load is applied to the CPU

A2: $\alpha_{CPU} + \alpha_{mem} + \alpha_{IO} + \alpha_{net} = 1$

A3: The energy consumed by a server increases linearly relative to the increase in usage of any of its components

A4: Idling consumption of resources is expected to be zero

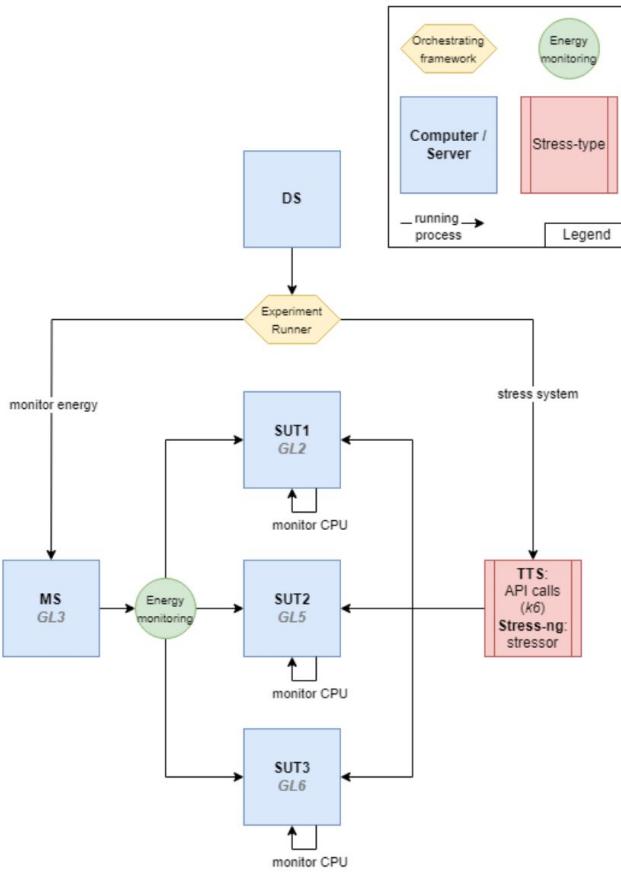
$$E_{CPU\ max} = U_{CPU\ max} * f_{CPU}(U_{CPU\ max}) = N_{CPU} * TDP$$

$$E_{tot\ max} = E_{CPU\ max} / \alpha_{CPU} = [N_{CPU} * TDP] / \alpha_{CPU}$$

$$E_{tot\ predict} = CPU_{workload\%} * [N_{CPU} * TDP] / \alpha_{CPU}$$



Experiment Setup



- Verify the **accuracy** of the DEF formulas
- The results were validated using two different workloads (1 synthetic and 1 realistic)
 - Synthetic = stress-ng
 - Realistic = Train-Ticket Booking System + k6
- **Independent Variable:** %CPU
 - Treatments: Idle, 50%, 75%, 100%
- **Dependent Variable:** Energy Consumption
- 10 Run per Treatment of 15 Minutes
- 5 minutes **cooling time** between measurements

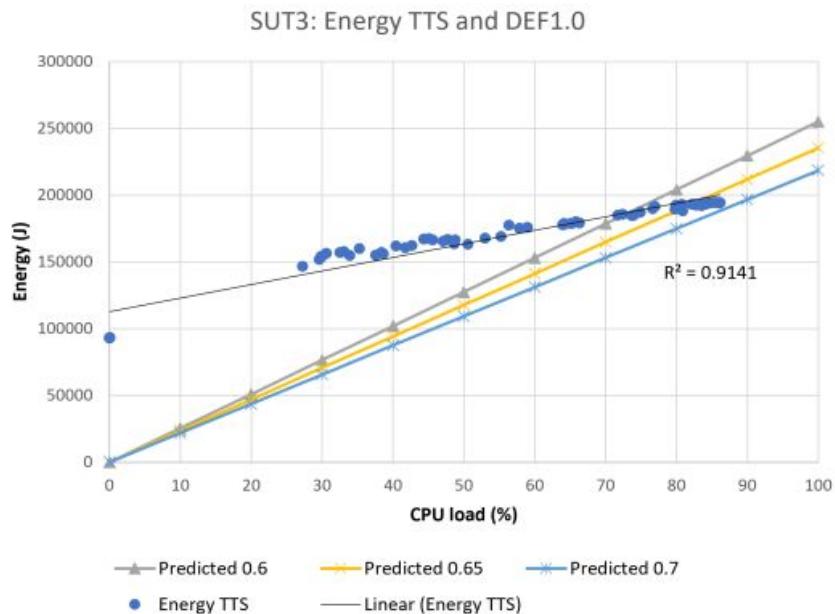


Results

$$\text{DEF 1.0} \quad E_{tot\ predict} = CPU_{workload\%} * [N_{CPU} * TDP] / \alpha_{CPU}$$

α_{CPU} fixed to {0.6, 0.65, 0.7}

- Linearity between energy consumption and CPU Load
- Energy Consumption Average Error Rate (%): 14.04 - 17.74%
- MAX Avg Error Rate (%): 13.96% - 32%





Refinement

DEF 1.0

$$E_{tot\ predict} = CPU_{workload\%} * [N_{CPU} * TDP] / \alpha_{CPU}$$

DEF 2.0

$$P_{idle_{CPU}} = R_{idle} * P_{cpu} = 0.28 * N_{CPU} * TDP$$

DEF 2.1

$$P_{idle_{MAX}} = (0.28 * TDP * N_{cpu}) / \alpha_{CPU}$$

$$P_{tot} = (P_{max} - P_{idle_{CPU}}) * \%CPU + P_{idle_{CPU}}$$

$$E_{tot} = P_{tot} * t$$



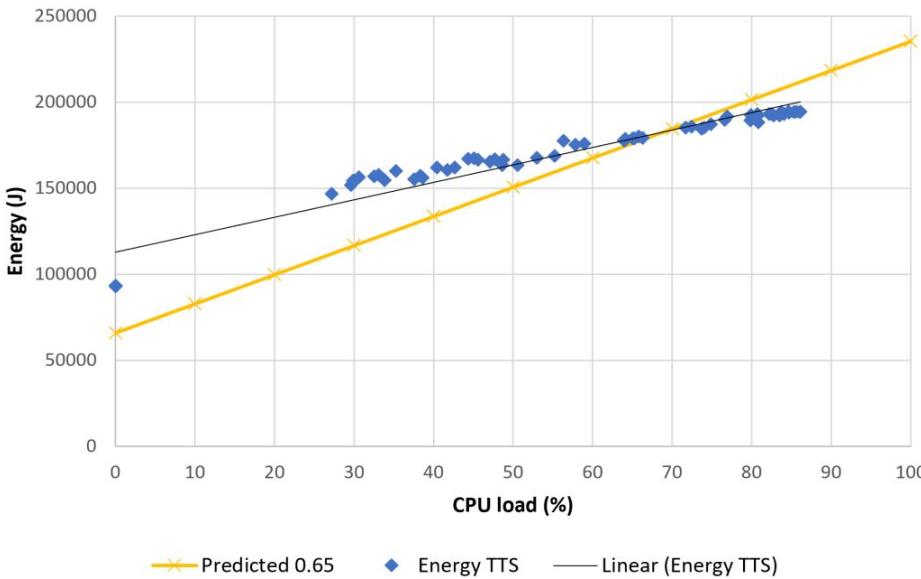
Results

$$\text{DEF 2.X} \quad P_{tot} = (P_{max} - P_{idleCPU}) * \%CPU + P_{idleCPU}$$

$$E_{tot} = P_{tot} * t$$

- Linearity between energy consumption and CPU Load
- Energy Consumption Average Error Rate (%):
 - DEF2.0: 12.36 - 13.96%
 - DEF2.1: 11.08 - 15.42%
- Best Results with α_{CPU} fixed to {0.6, 0.65}

SUT3: Energy TTS and DEF2.1





Thanks!
Any Questions?

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