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RACR - MQUAT

The journey has just begun

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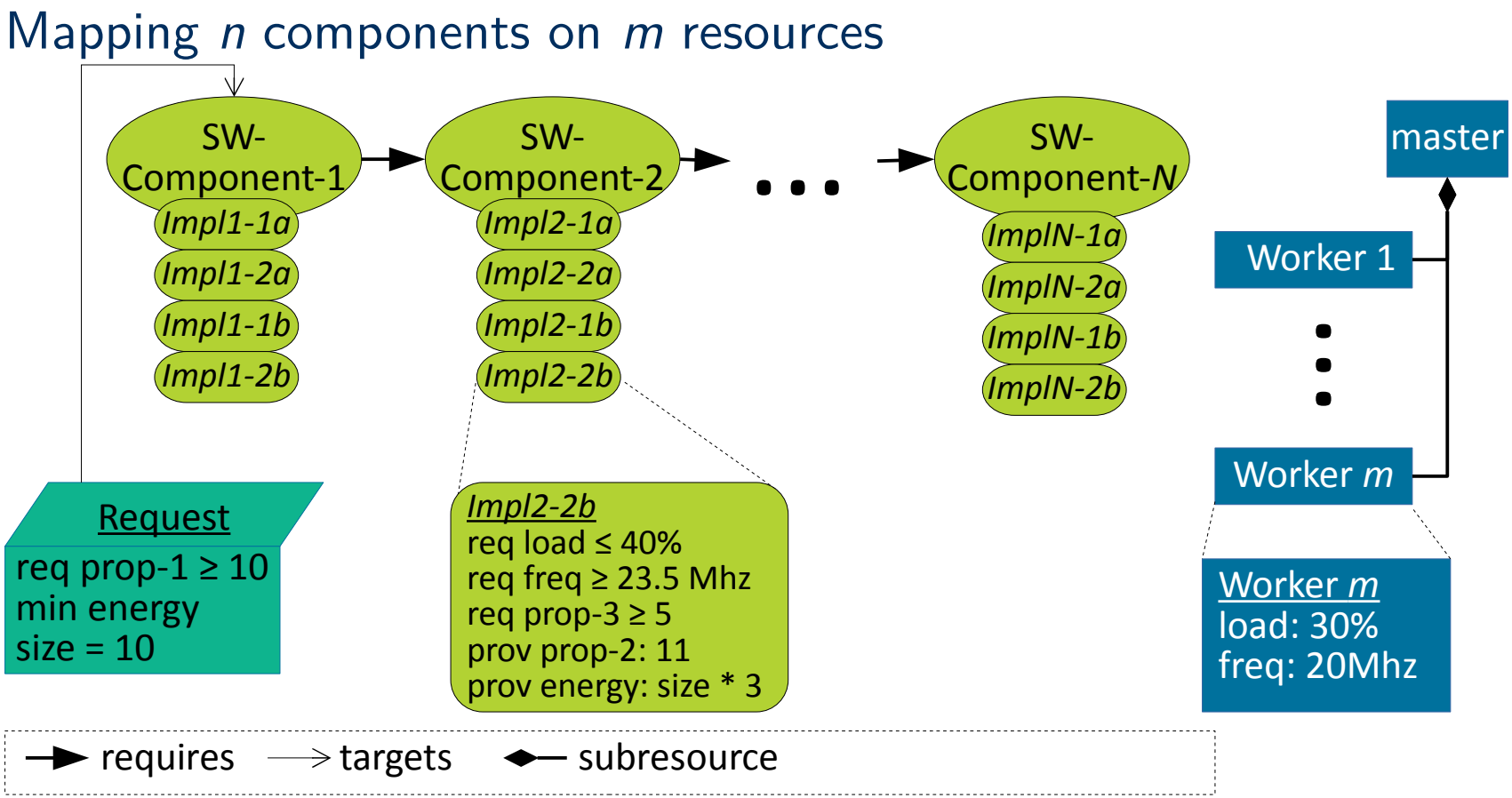
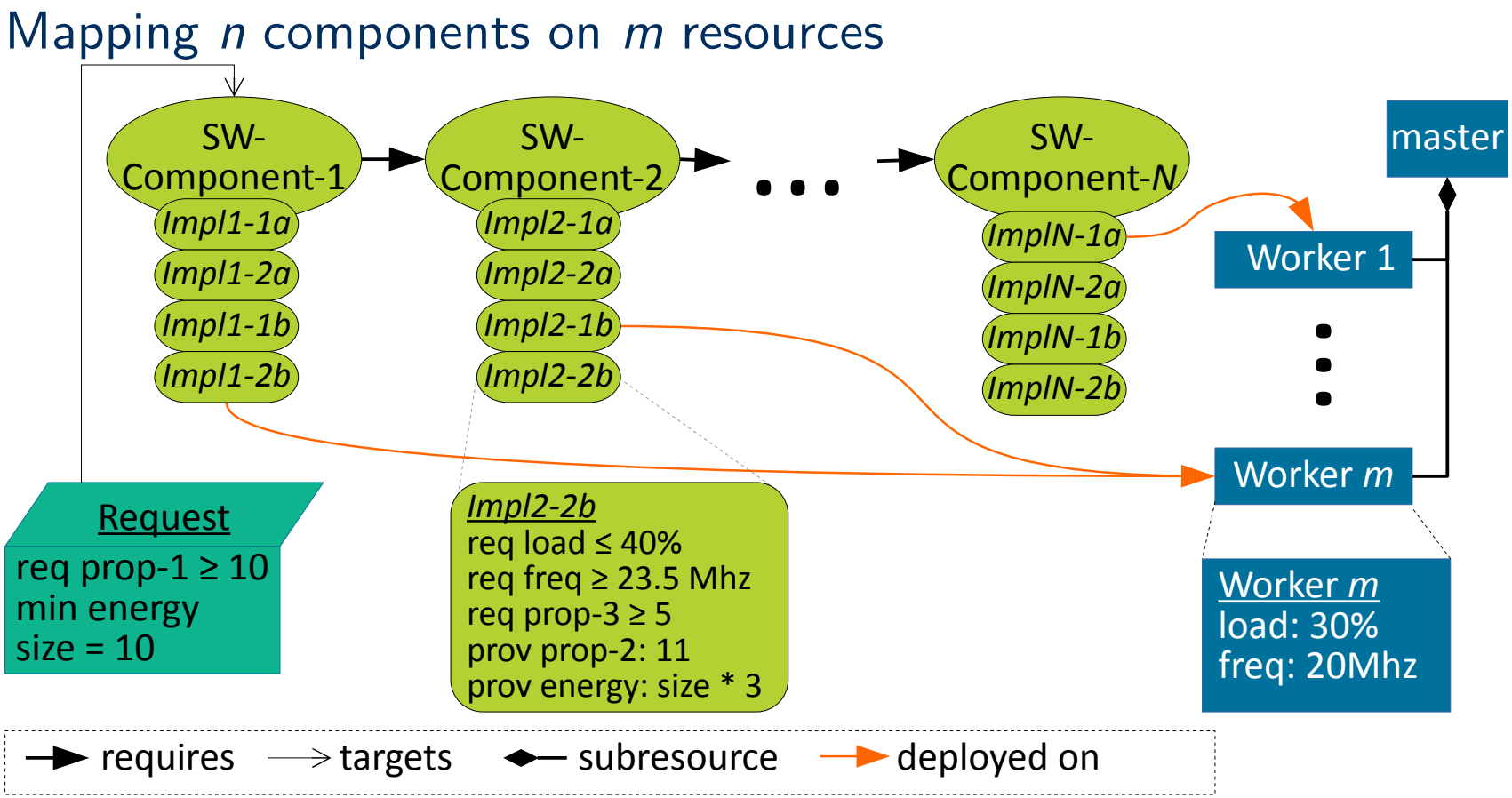
Where we started in Phase I

- MQuAT concept [GKP+14]
  - Self-adaptive system optimizing for multiple qualities
  - Component-based design for both hardware and software
  - Quality contracts capturing requirements and guarantees of components
- THEATRE [GWC+10] as a Java-based implementation of MQuAT
  - Knowledge represented using EMF-(Meta)Models
  - Optimization problem solved by transformation to ILP
  - Designed for distributed operation (see HAECubie) using Master-Slave-Pattern [Sah96]

The optimization problem



The optimization problem solved



What was the problem

- Usage of ILP thought *unusable* for bigger systems
  - Current measurements disprove this, see slides 11 – 13
- EMF-Models and some of their elements ambiguous or redudant
  - Component requirement possible on both, component- and mode-level
  - Structure and variant model contain similar information
  - General approach of structural model not easy to use (especially for ILP-Generation)
- Currently, ILP still generated from scratch for each request

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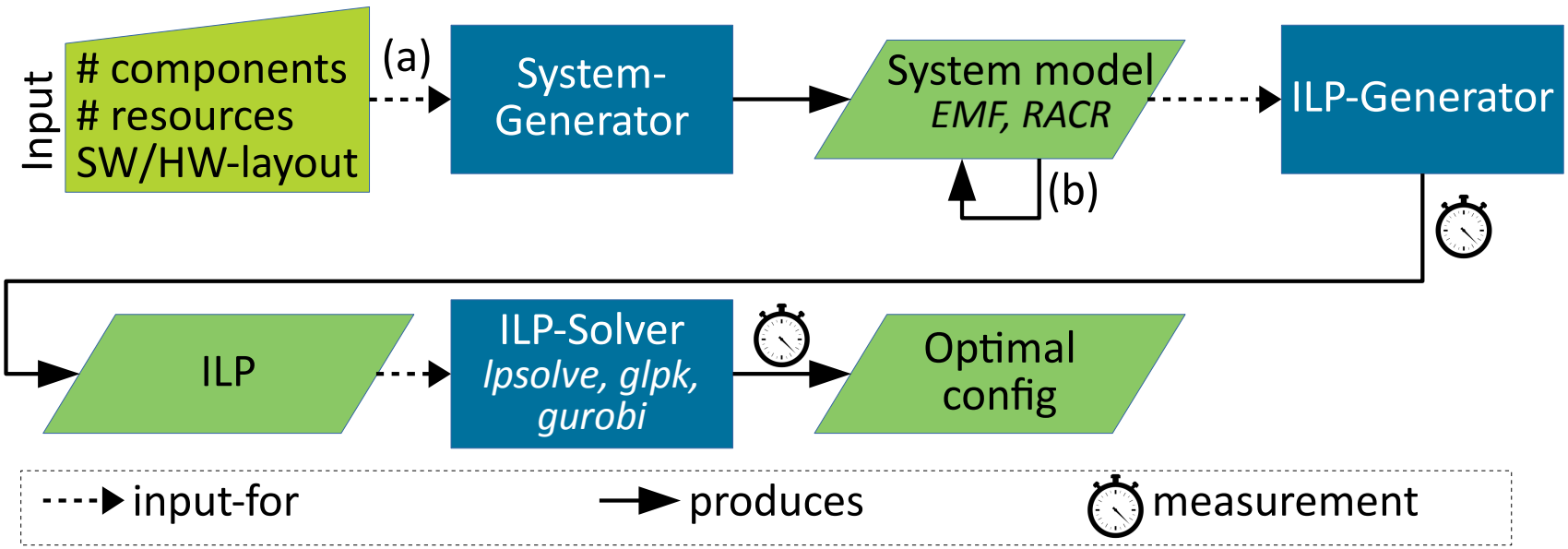
How we want to achieve scalability

- Use RACR [Bür12]
  - **R**eference **A**ttribute Grammer **C**ontrolled **R**ewriting
  - Specify knowledge as an ASG[1] whose structure is defined by a RAG[2]
  - RAG is a combination of structural and variant model, avoiding duplicate information
  - Analyses run on ASG now run inherently **incremental** and are defined **declarative**

[1] Abstract Syntax Graph, i.e. an Abstract Syntax Tree with references

[2] Reference Attribute Grammar

Test setup



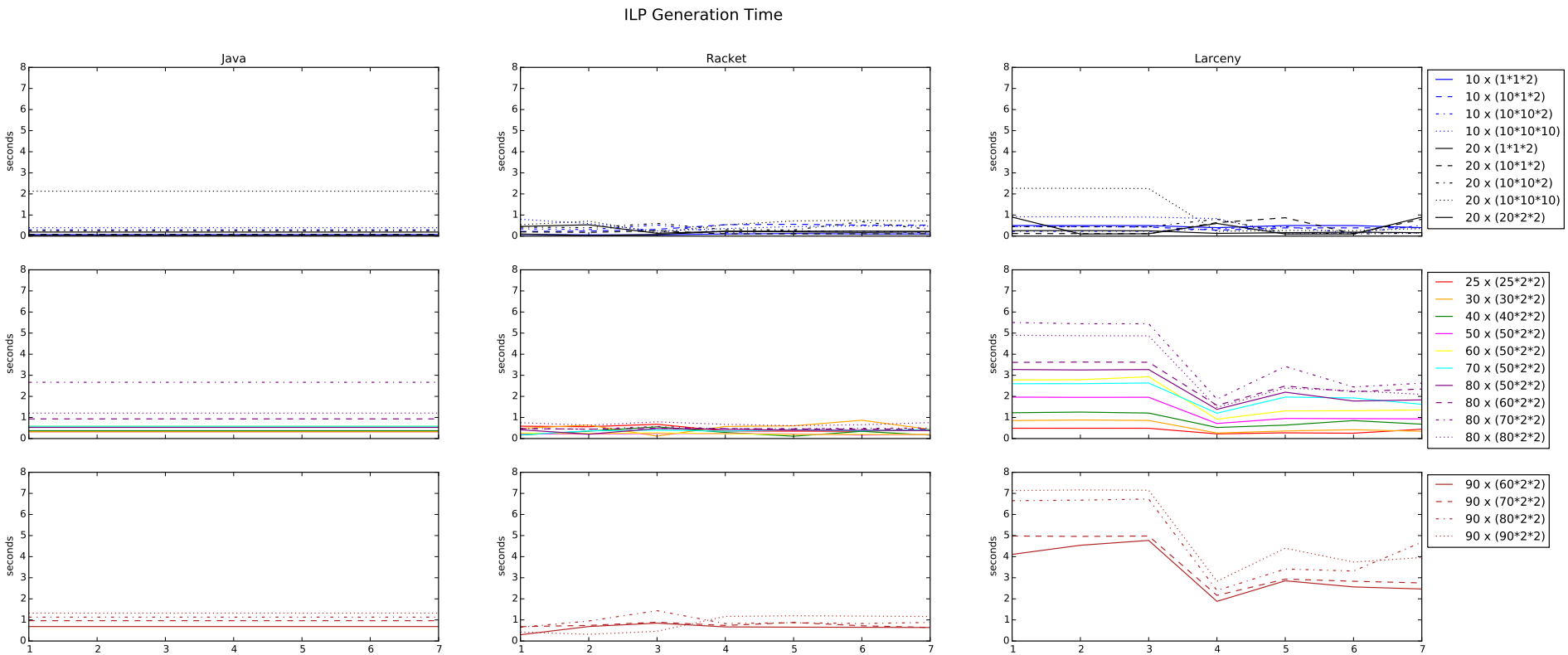
(a) Initial creation, (b) HW changes

Measurements

- Setup
  - System Generator to generate ILP for increasing size of systems
  - 23 different sizes of systems
  - ILP-Solving with 40sec timeout
  - Two new aspects
    - technology used: Java vs. RACR
    - ILP format: old vs. enhanced
- ILP-Solving using existing Java-based ILP format
  - Timeouts: glpk 10/23, lpsolve 8/23
- ILP-Solving using RACR-based enhanced ILP format
  - All but one systems solved within 5sec (outlier 12sec)

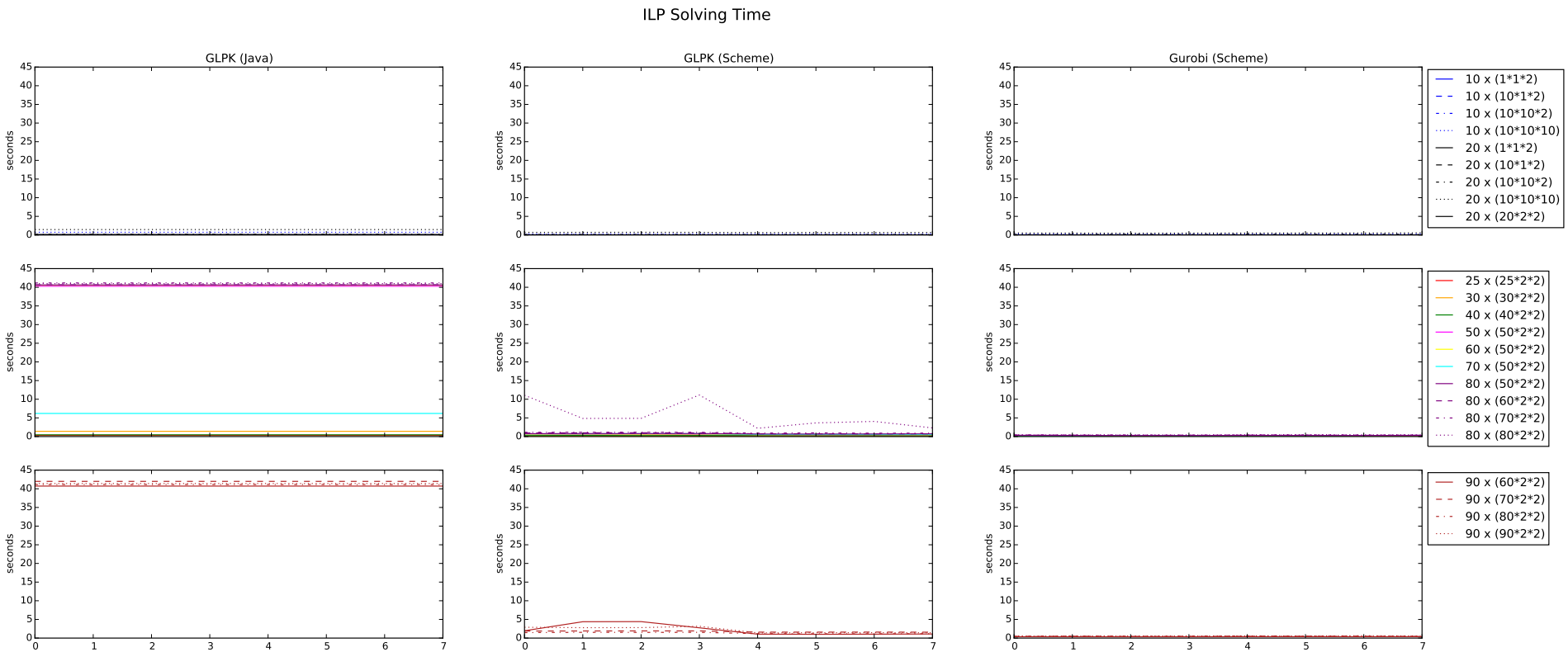
Measurement on generation times

- Not quite there yet:

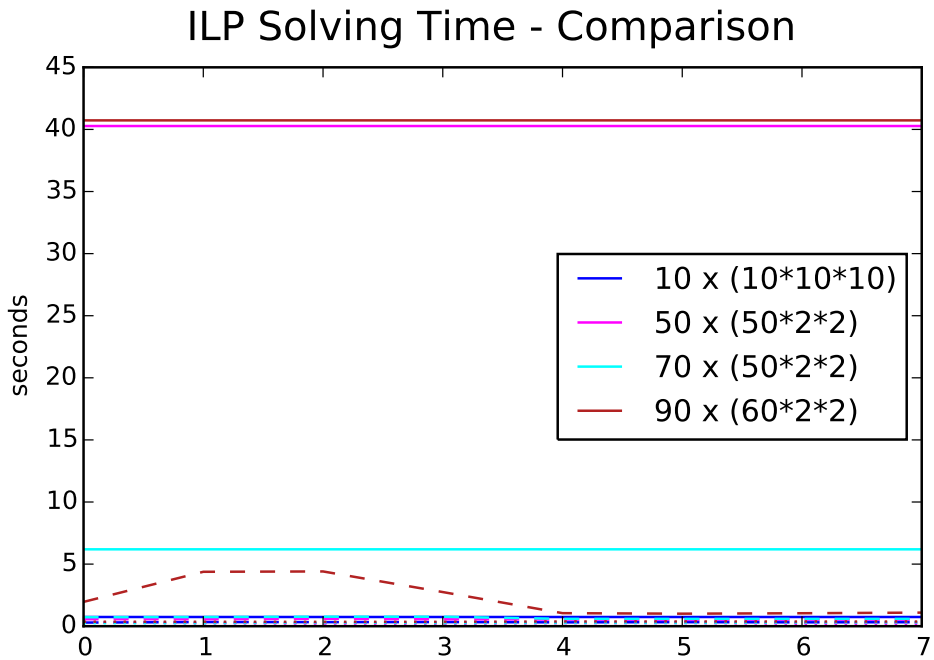


Measurement on solving times (2)

- Promising results



Measurement on solving times (3)



- solid = GLPK, old format, dashed = GLPK, enhanced format
- dotted = Gurobi, enhanced format ($\leq$ 1sec)

Current pitfalls

- Different input formats accepted by lp_solve and glpk
  - Transformation (mostly syntactical) needed
  - Still, different solution computed (GLPK occasionally ignore binary variables, value e.g. 0.348485)
- Slow running Larceny
  - Unexpected as Larceny compiles to machine code
- Caching not fully exploited
  - Some constraints still unnecessarily recomputed

General Facts

- `https://bitbucket.org/rschoene/racr-mquat`
- Main language: Scheme
  - Implementations used: Racket[3], Larceny[4]

Language	files	blank	comment	code
Scheme	14	203	300	2207
Python	7	75	43	477
SUM:	21	278	343	2684

[3] http://racket-lang.org/
[4] http://www.larcenists.org/

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Where we should go next

- Do not transform to ILP
  - Implement an heuristic similar to RACRtune demo[5] of Daniel Langner and Johannes Mey
- Apply static analysis where appropriate, e.g.
  - Abstract Interpretation [CC77, Ros90] to estimate energy consumption [JM06, RMM03]
  - Describe decisions [Dan15]
  - Find configurations, which can never be used
  - Unify constraints (in contracts) of modes
- Extend AG
  - Describe multiple systems and their interaction, e.g. [WSG+13]
  - Include behavior model for more fine grained description

[5] Shown at HAEC review and OUTPUT'15

An example application of static analysis

WCET squeezing [KKZ13]

- Combines ILP solving with symbolic execution [Kin76] (SE)
- Iterative, alternating, automatic approach
- SE either tighten found bound – or proves it precise

Application to HAEC use case

- Do WCEC squeezing
  - worst case energy consumption
  - based on energy contracts

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