Architectural Styles – Part III

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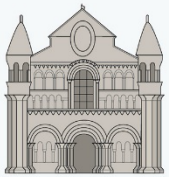
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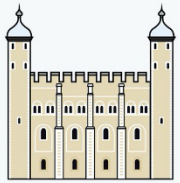
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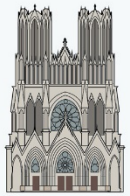
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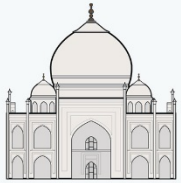
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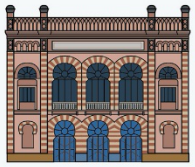
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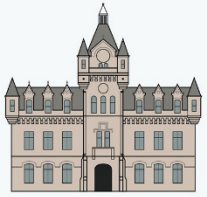
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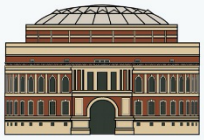
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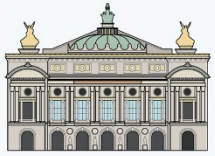
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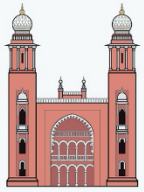
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Schedule

Week		Date	Time	Lecture	Note
3	L1	Wed, 20 Jan	10:15 – 12:00	Introduction & Organization	Truong Ho
3	L2	Thu, 21 Jan	13:15 – 15:00	Architecting Process & Views	o
4		Tue, 26 Jan	10:15 – 12:00	**Skip**	
4	S1	Wed, 27 Jan	10:15 – 12:00	<< Supervision: Launch Assig	
4	L3	Thu, 28 Jan	13:15 - 15:00	Roles/Responsibilities & Functional Dec	o
5	L4	Mon, 1 Feb	13:15 – 15:00	Architectural Styles P1	o
5	S2	Wed, 3 Jan	10:15 – 12:00	<< Supervisi /Assignment>>	TAs
5	L5	Thu, 4 Jan	13:15 – 15:00	Architectural Styles P2	Sam Jobara
6	L6	Mon, 8 Feb	13:15 – 15:00	Architectural Styles P3	Truong Ho
6	S3	Wed, 10 Feb	10:15 – 12:00	<< Supervision/Assignment>>	TAs
6	L7	Thu, 11 Feb	13:15 – 15:00	Design Principles (Maintainability, Modifiability)	Truong Ho
7	L8	Mon, 15 Feb	13:15 – 15:00	Performance – Analysis & Tactics	Truong Ho
7	S4	Wed, 17 Feb	10:15 – 12:00	<< Supervision/Assignment>>	TAs
7	L9	Thu, 18 Feb	13:15 – 15:00	Tactics: Reliability, Availability, Fault Tolerance	TBD
8	L10	Mon, 22 Feb	13:15 – 15:00	Guest Lecture 1	TBD
8	S5	Wed, 24 Feb	10:15 – 12:00	<< Supervision/Assignment>>	TAs
8	L11	Thu, 25 Feb	13:15 – 15:00	Guest Lecture 2	TBD
9	L12	Mon, 1 Mar	13:15 – 15:00	Reverse Engineering & Correspondence	Truong Ho
9	S6	Wed, 3 Mar	10:15 – 12:00	<< Supervision/Assignment>>	TAs
9	L13	Thu, 4 Mar	13:15 – 15:00	To be determined (exam practice?)	Truong Ho
9		Fri, 5 Mar	Whole day	Group presentation of Assignment (TBD)	Teachers
11	Exam				

We are HERE!

Assignment schedule

Week		Date	Lecture	Assignment 1 – Task 1 (A1T1)	Assignment 1 – Task 2 (A1T2)	Assignment 2 (A2)
3	L1	Wed, 20 Jan	10:15 – 12:00			
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9	S6	Wed, 3 Mar	10:15 – 12:00		Work A1T2	Hand-in A2
9	L13	Thu, 4 Mar	13:15 – 15:00			
9		Fri, 5 Mar	Whole day		Present A1T2	
11	Exam					

Hand-in deadline In 3 days

Clarification – A1T1

- Question 4: “following functionalities”
  - is a typos
  - I meant: “following the steps described in a), b), c) in order to reason about their design and component diagram(s)”
- “interesting animals”

  = animals of interest (rare animals, animals in danger, animals that are under population control…)
  - There is a list of these interesting animals.

Outline of Topics for Today's Lecture

- Architectural Styles
  - Publish-Subscribe Style
  - Blackboard Style
  - Layered Style

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TODAY!

Lecture 5

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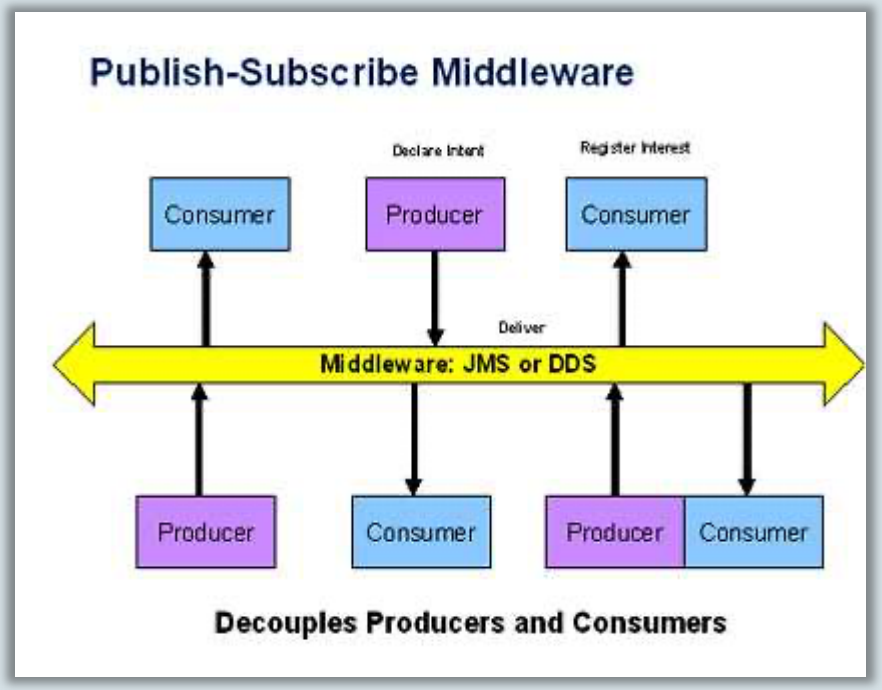
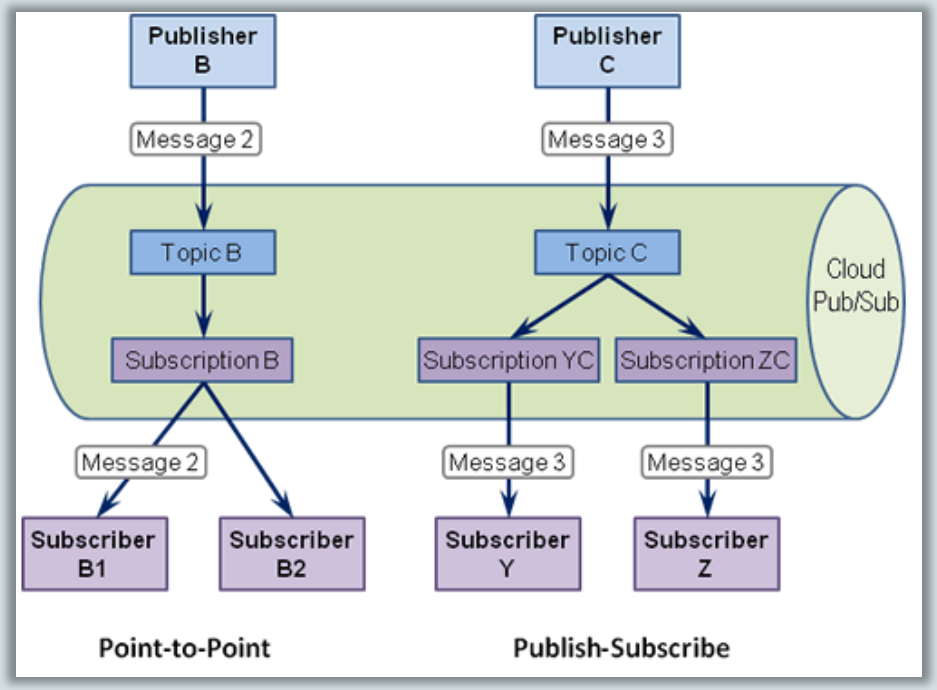
Publish-Subscribe

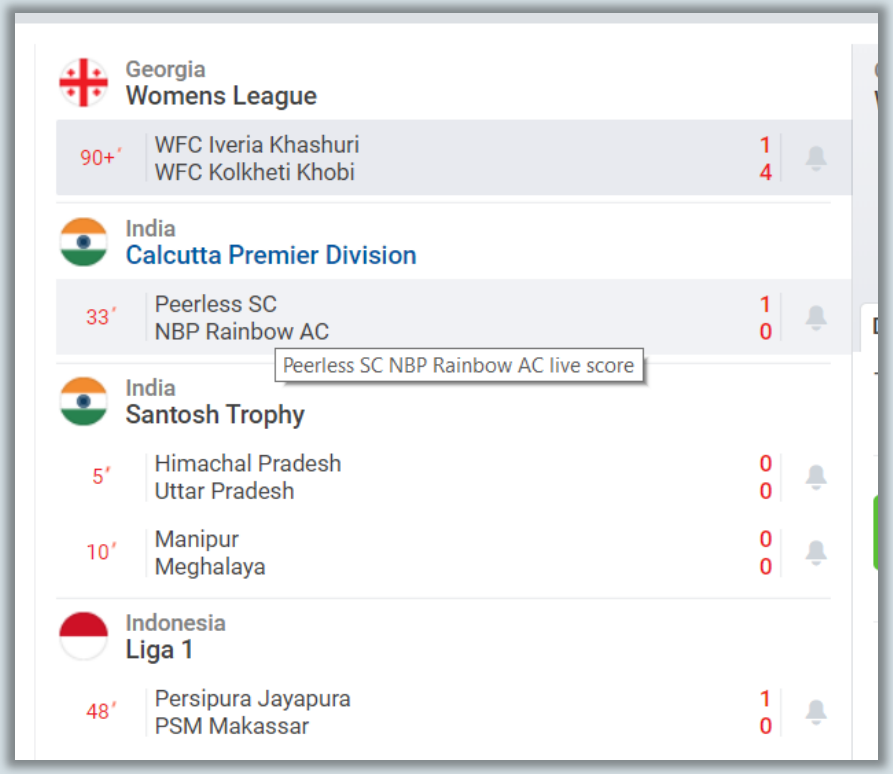




Publish-Subscribe

P/S is like: subscriptions that you know:

e.g. newspapers or live sports highlights:



Publish-Subscribe

- Components interact via announced messages, or events.
  - Components may subscribe to a set of events.
  - It is the job of the publish-subscribe runtime infrastructure to make sure that each published event is delivered to all subscribers of that event.

- **Advantages**: loose coupling, scalability, extendibility, improved security (messages sent to subscribers only)
- **Limitations**: need to guarantee delivery, performance problems when overloaded with messages

Publish-Subscribe Style
Case Study: SPLICE

Developed by Thales (formerly Hollandse Signaal App.)

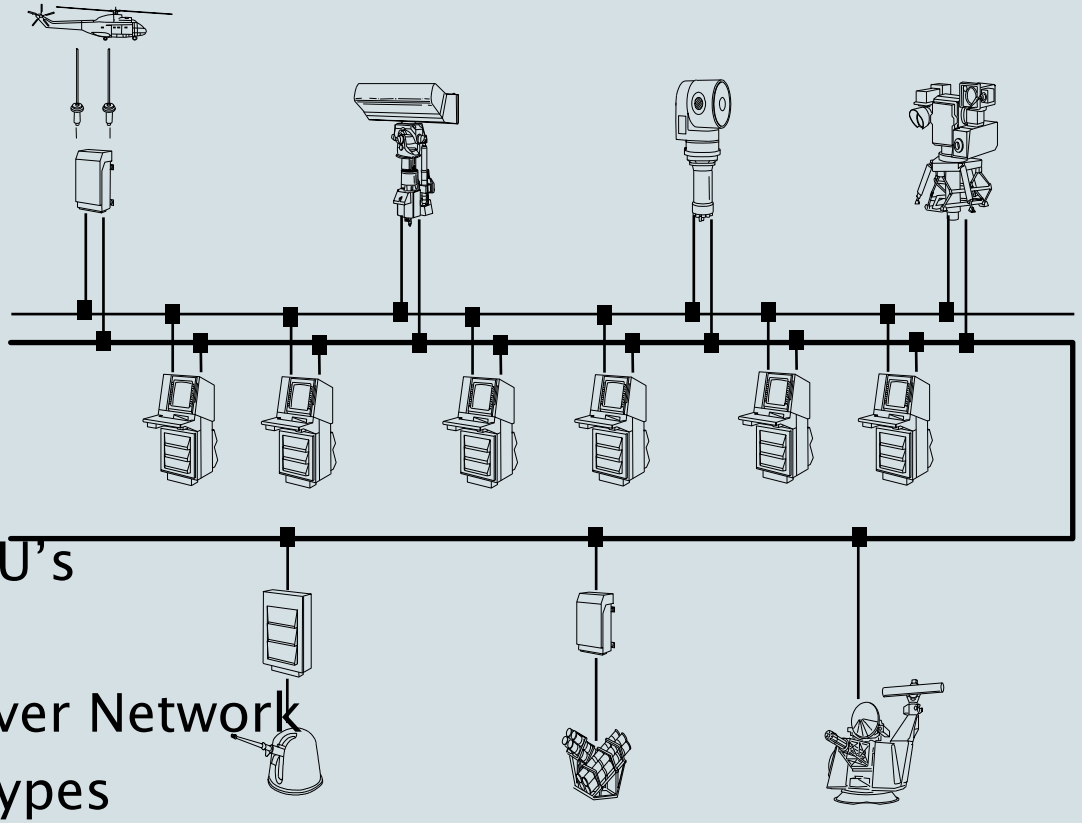
Oriented towards high quality control systems:

- Distributed
- Fault tolerant (support of degraded modes)
- (Soft) real-time
- Extensible

Architecture Requirements

The architecture is characterized as:

- real-time
- distributed
- data driven
- fault tolerant

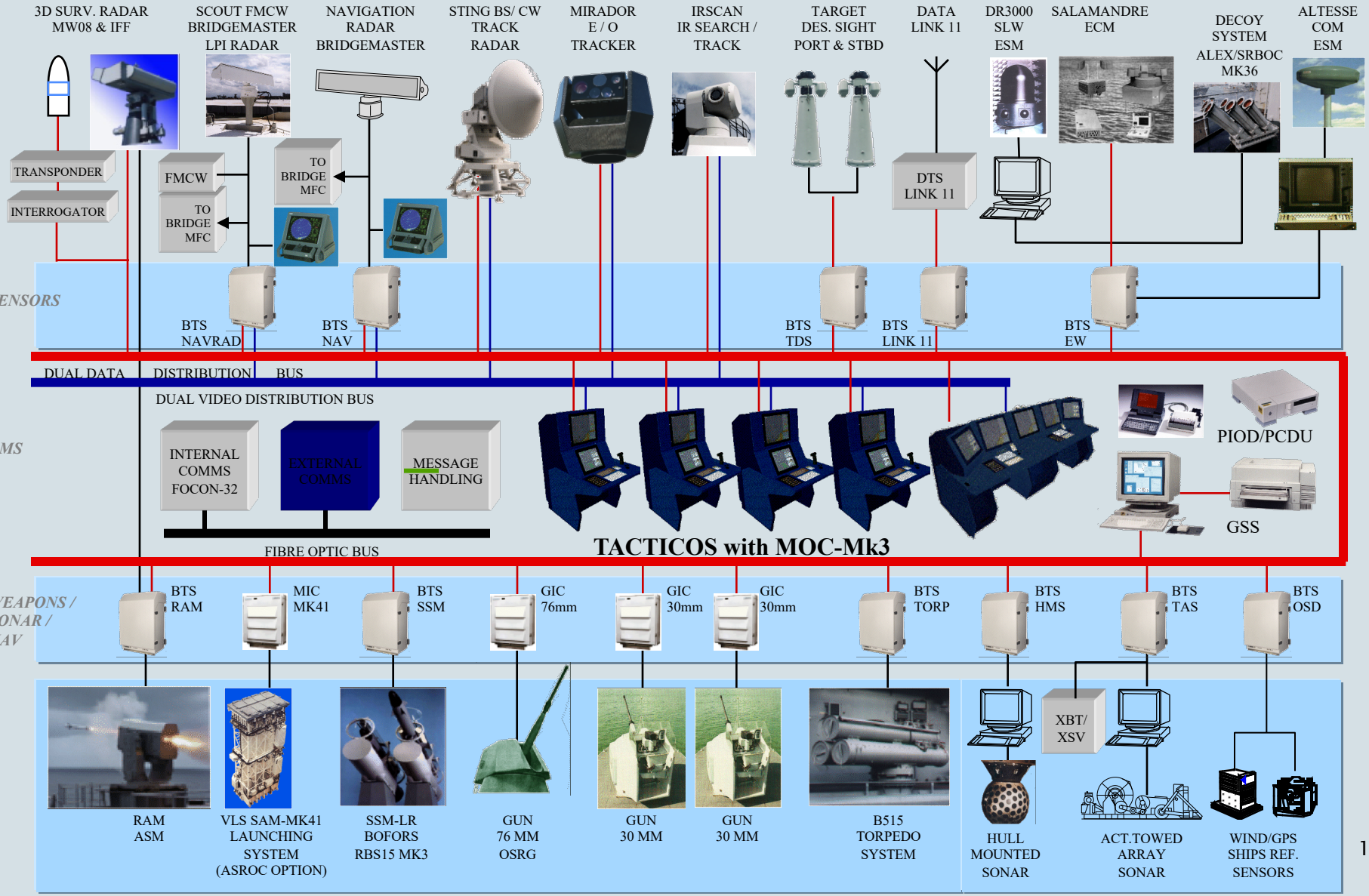


with some typical figures:

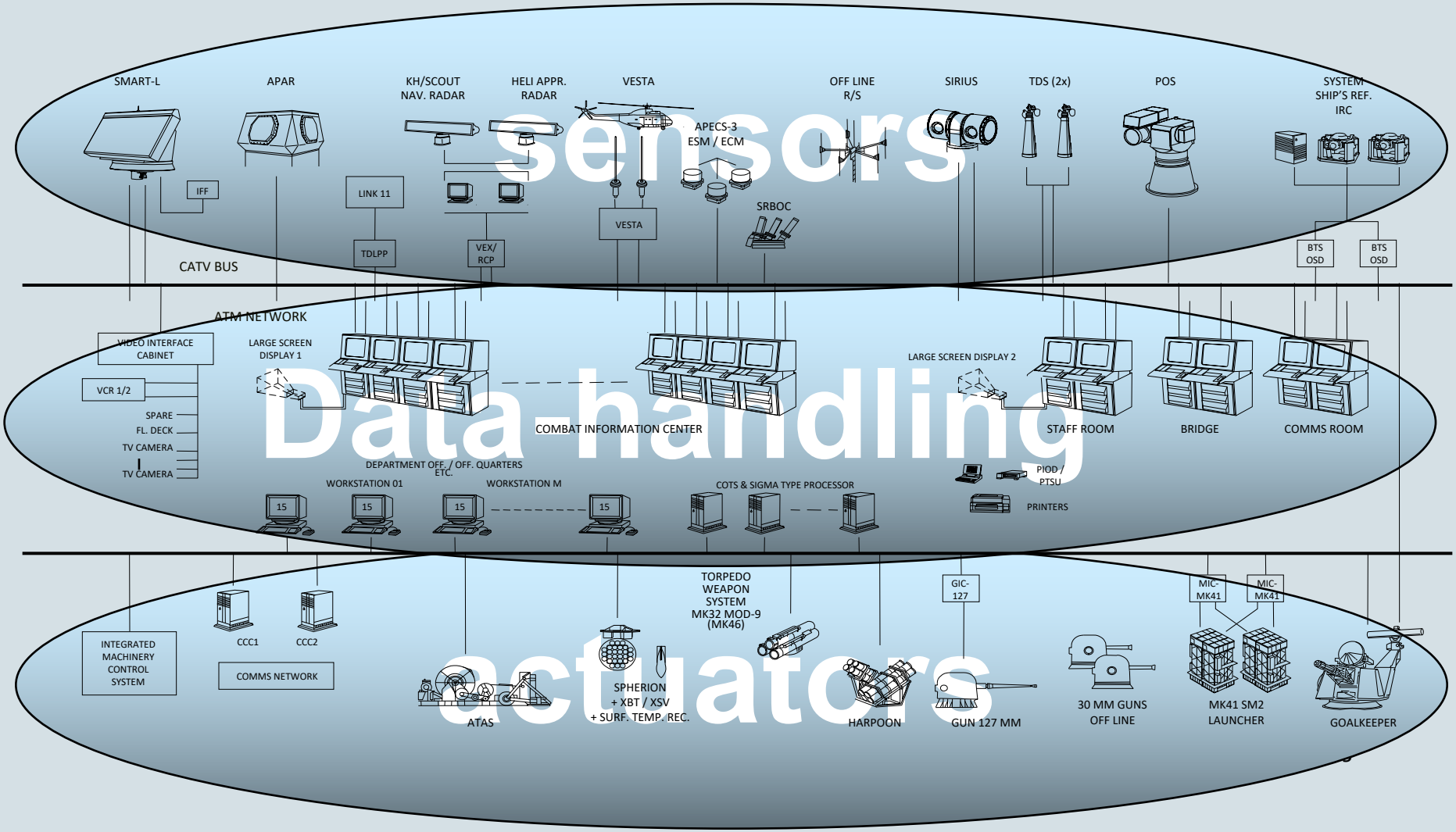
50 nodes containing 170 CPU's

- 2200 active executables
- 4000 Hz. data-updates over Network
- >2000 distributed data-types

Configuration example: frigate size system



Combat-Management-System Overview



SPLICE Application Domain

Used in command and control & traffic mgm. systems

Typical process:

1. **Acquire input**-signals through sensors
2. **Process input**-signals
3. **Interpret input** in terms of environment model
4. **Take action** through effectors
   or support operators in decision making

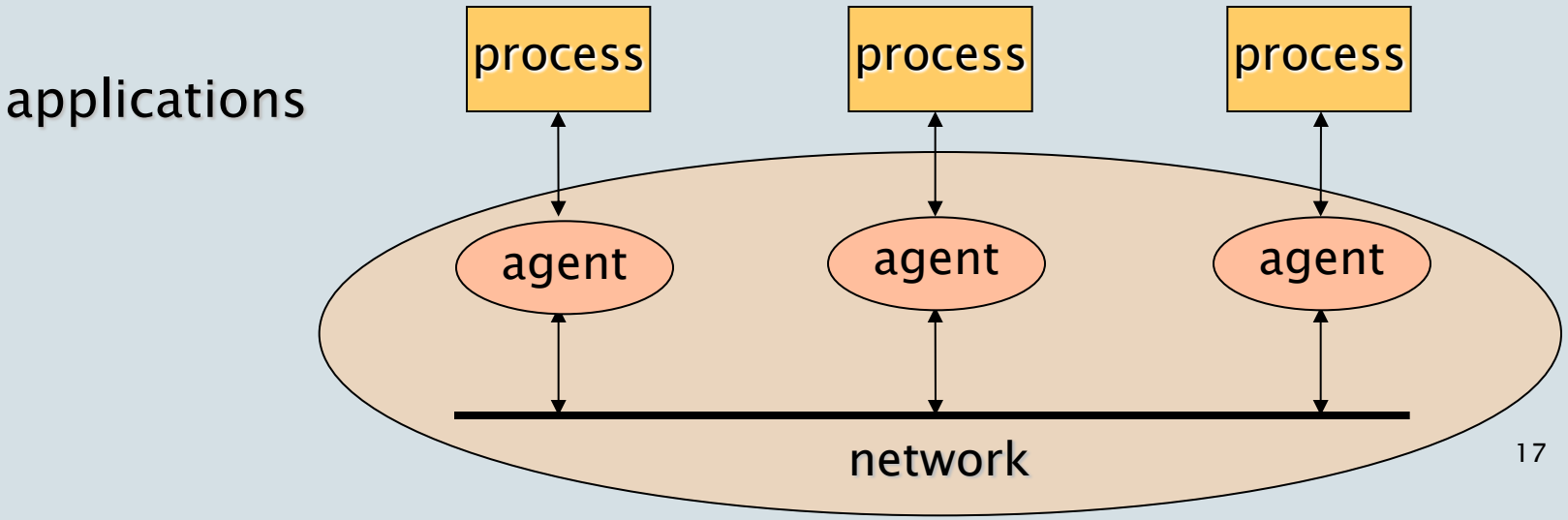
The interpretation of input may require the **sharing of data between many different applications** that **act in irregular patterns**

SPLICE Pub/Sub-Model

Applications are concurrently executing processes that implement part of the overall functionality

Processes register with network agents whether they are producers or consumers of a type of data.

The network agents manage distribution of data.



SPLICE Data Sorts

- Data elements are labeled records.
- Each record has a system-wide unique label, called the *data sort*
- A field of a sort may be declared ***key*** if it uniquely determines the values of the non-key fields

sort *flightplan*

key *flightnumber*	:	string
Departure	:	time
Arrival	:	time
Aircraft	:	string

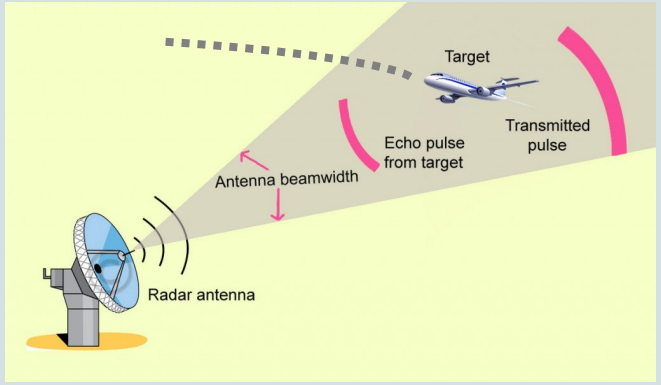
sort *track*

key *flightnumber*	:	string
key *index*	:	integer
State	:	string

SPLICE Example (1 /5)

Consider a system for tracking flying objects:

- Observations are made by a radar (and are called plots), i.e. the acquisition sensor
- Plots are correlated into tracks, that are interpreted in terms of a flight trajectory model
- Tracks are used to control the direction of the radar and for taking action through effectors)



SPLICE Example (2/5)

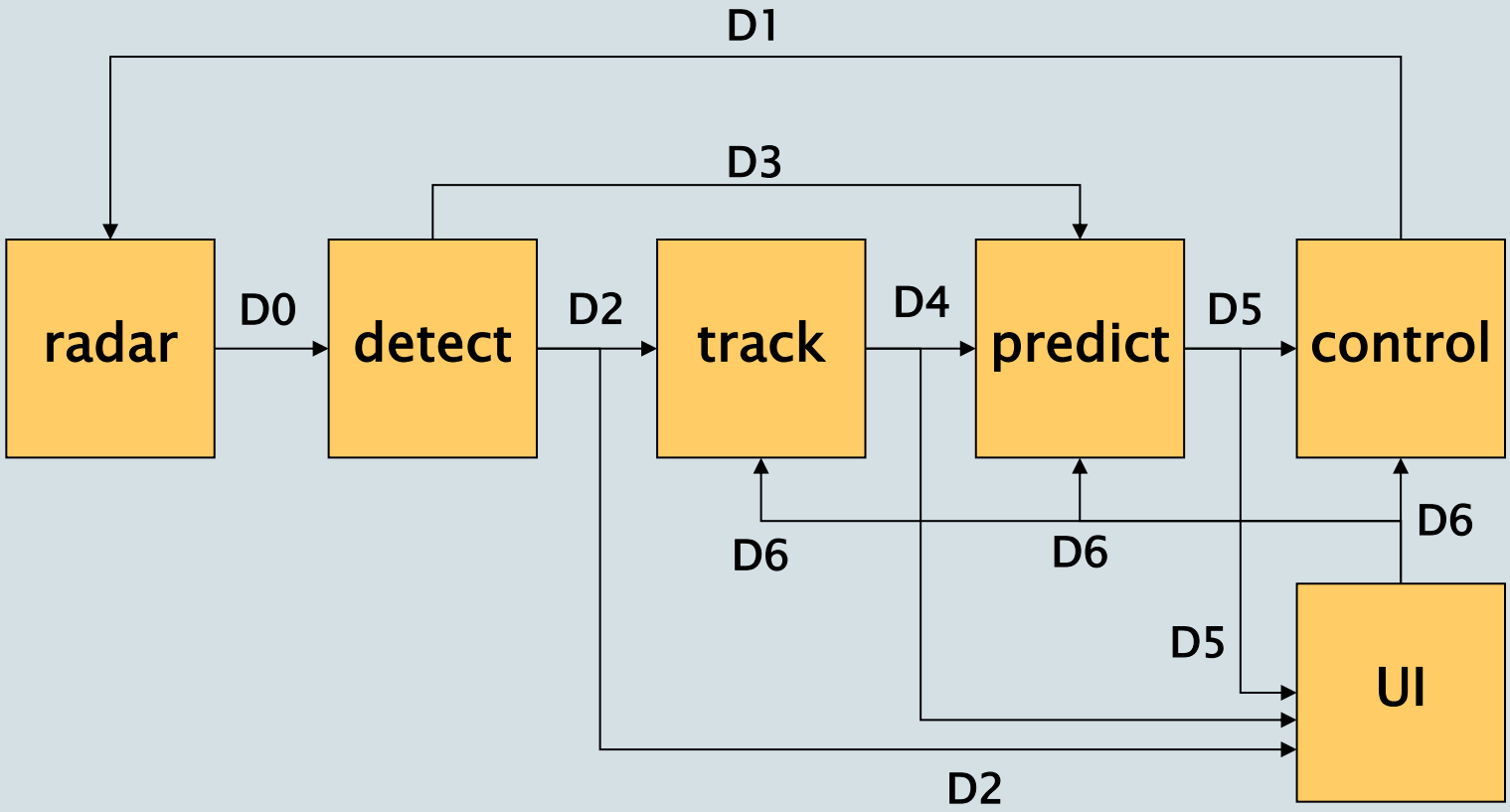
Processes

Radar:	generates signals
Detect:	processes radar signals into plots
Track:	correlates plots into tracks
Predict:	predicts next coordinates of the flying object
Control:	the radar to probe the next position of the object
UI:	user interface of the system

Sorts (=data types)

- D0: radar signals
- D1: control data to the radar
- D2: plots (coordinates) from the radar
- D3: sensor characteristics
- D4: speed-vector of the object
- D5: predicted object coordinates
- D6: user commands

Application model using one-to-one connections



SPLICE Example program (4/5)

```
Program Detect
   sort raw_data: radar_signals consumed
   sort obj_pos: coordinates produced
   signal: sensor_data

Forever do
    signal := get(raw_data);
    if valid_signal(signal)
        then obj_pos:= f(signal); put(obj_pos)
        else  { corrective action }
End program Detect
```

What happens when multiple copies of *Detect* are running concurrently?

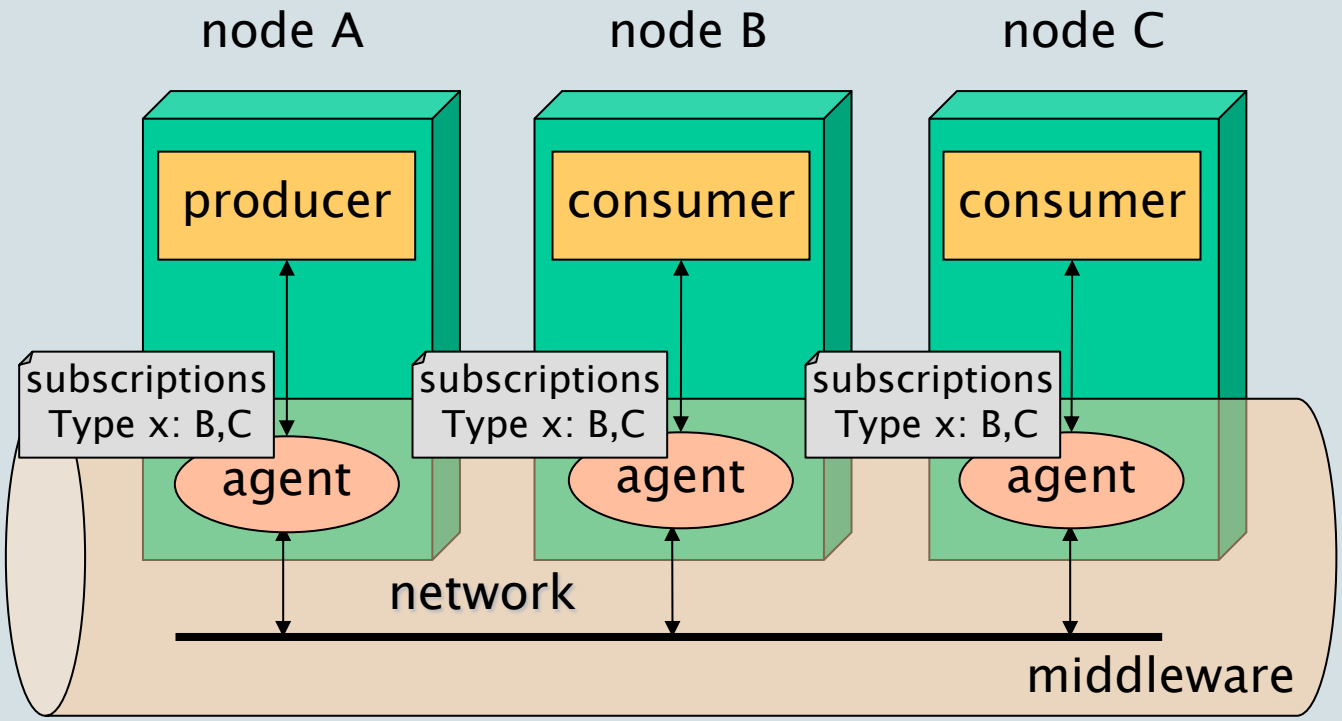
SPLICE Example (5/5)

```
Program Predict
  sort radar_attr: sensor_attr consumed
  sort track_data: track consumed
  sort pred_coord: coordinates produced
  sort user_cmnd: command consumed
  result: integer
  local_track: track

get(radar_attr);
Forever do
   result := get(track_data);
   if valid_track(result)
      then
         { local_track:=predict new coordinates};
         put(obj_pos)
      else
         if local_track.timestamp + radar_attr.cycle_time >
            time - comm_delay
         then { new data too late; corrective action };
   result := get(user_cmnd);
   if valid_cmnd(result)
       then  { deal with command }

End program Predict
```

P/S Deployment



producer = application software component

agent = middleware software component

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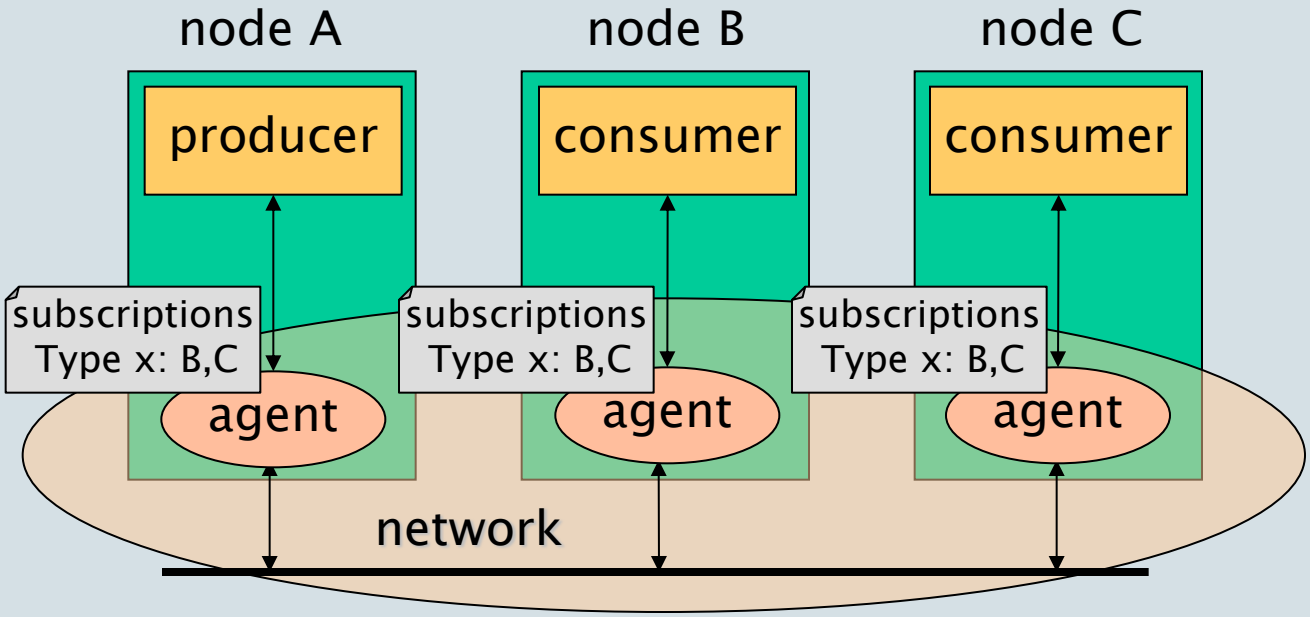
Registration Phase



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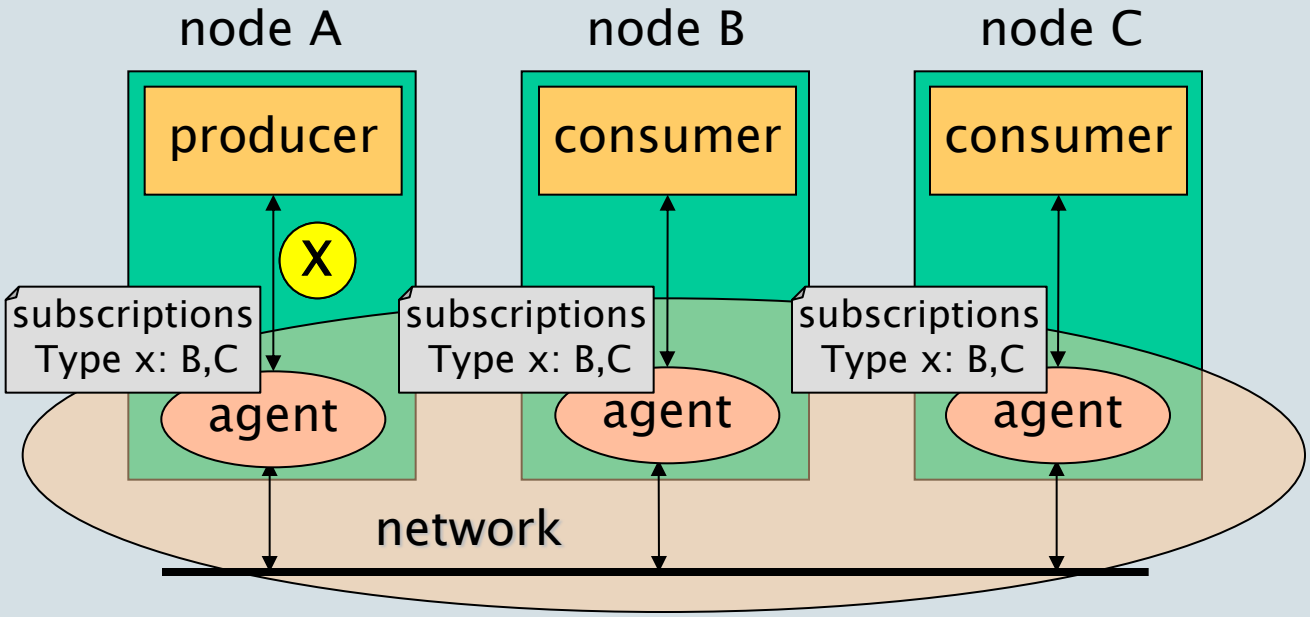

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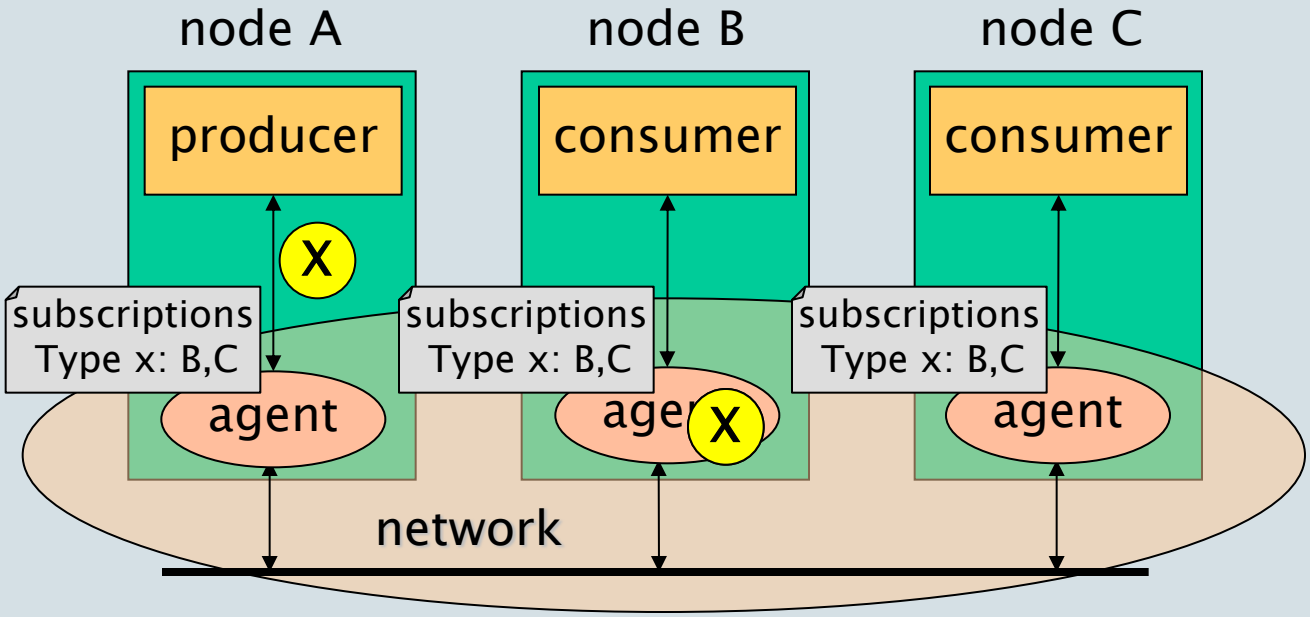

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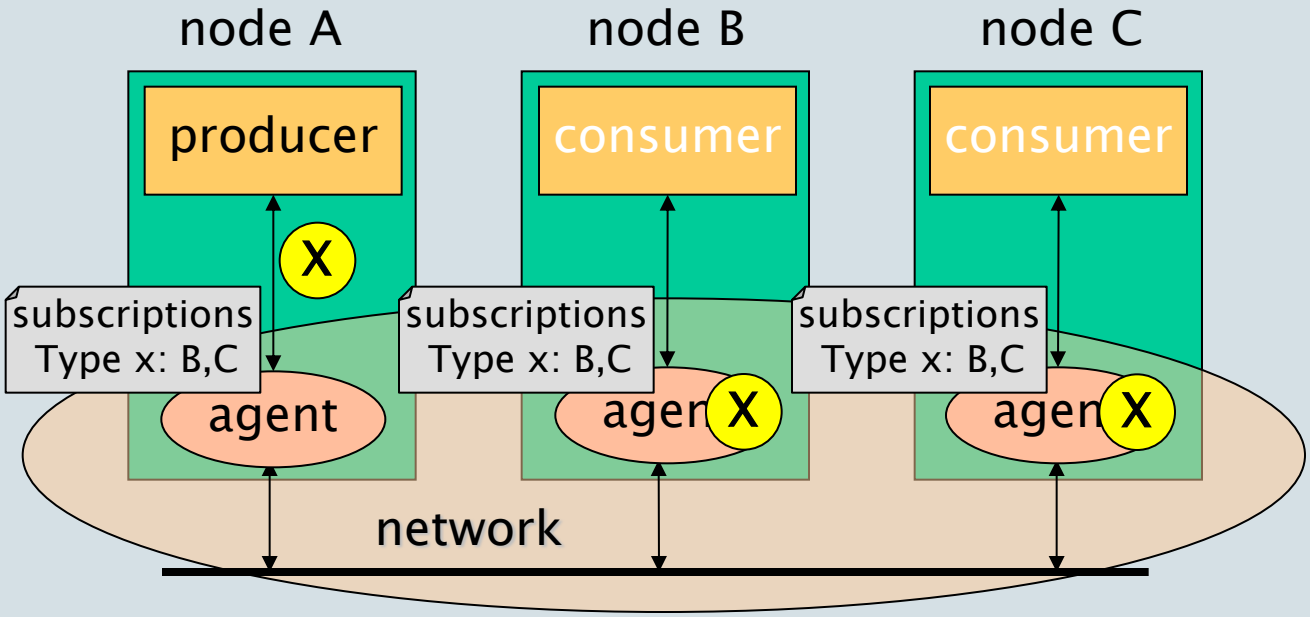
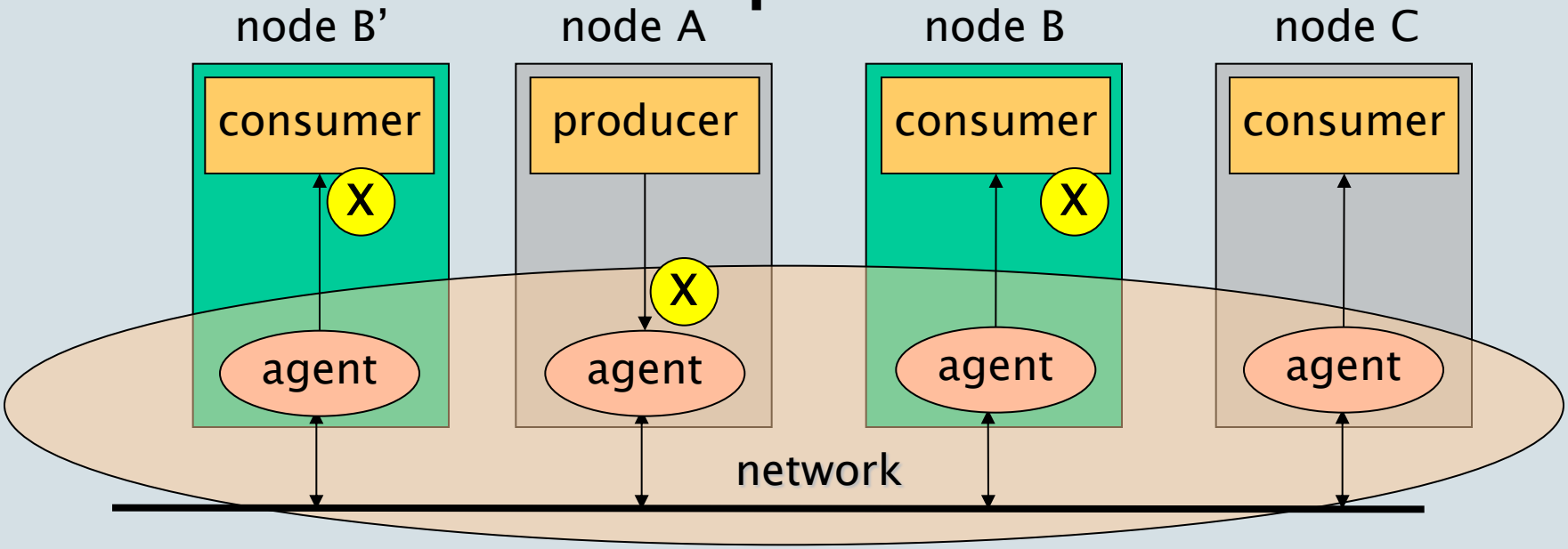


Insert New Consumer Component

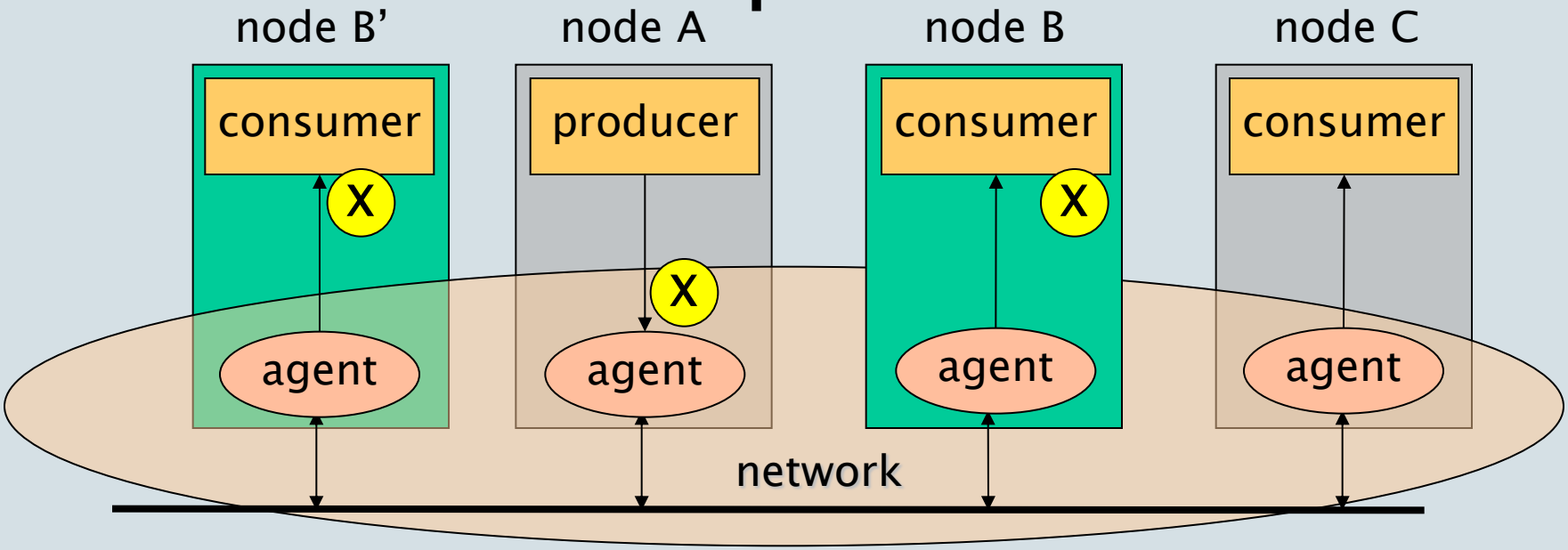


B' can build up state from inputs it receives.

If B and B' both consume and produce data, then duplicate data is generated.

B' can monitor output of B to check convergence

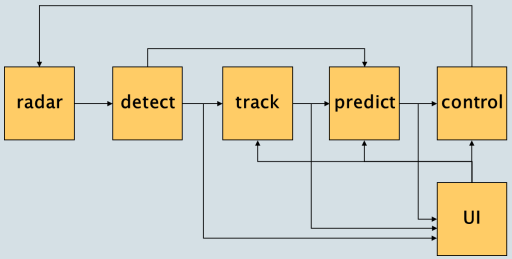
Phase out old Consumer Component

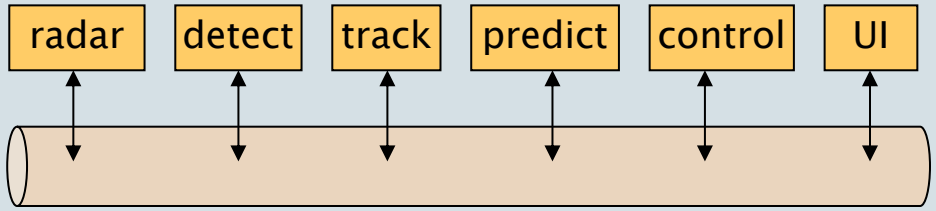


Once B' has converged with B, B is stopped

Reflection on Architectural Style of Pub/Sub

The architectural style strongly influences
- the complexity of the overall design, and
- the systems' quality attributes





When to use P/S

- Data is short-lived
- 'Frequent' production of data
- Consumers are interested in updates
- Multiple consumers
- Dynamically changing topology of producers and/or consumers

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IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, Vo. 38, No. 7, July 1993

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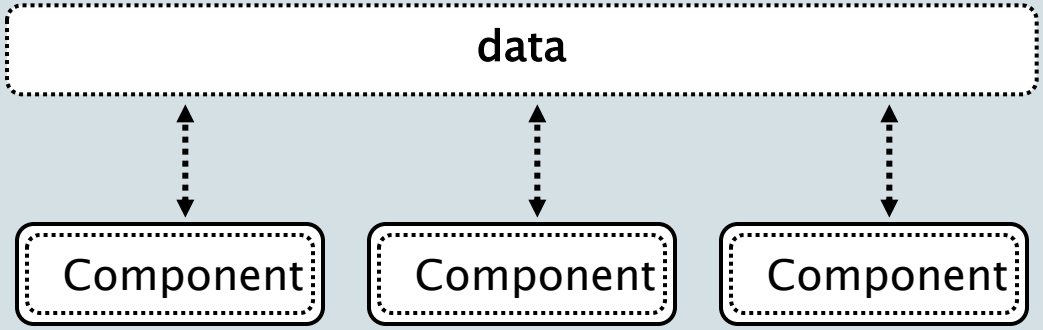
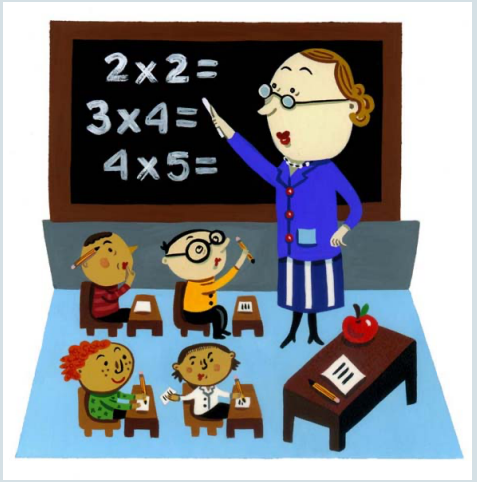
Blackboard Style (1)

Concept: Concurrent transformations on shared data





Components: processing units (typically knowledge source)

Connectors: blackboard
interaction style: asynchronous

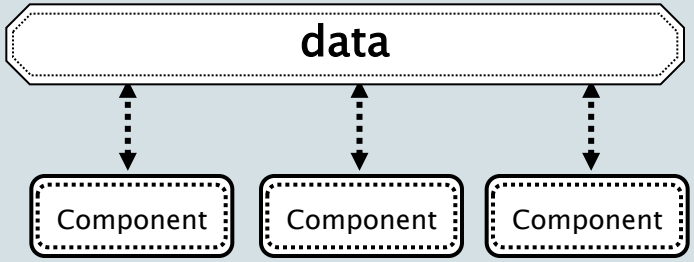
Topology: one or more transformation-components may be connected to a data-space,
there are typically no connections between processing units (bus-topology)

Blackboard Style (2)

Behaviour Types:

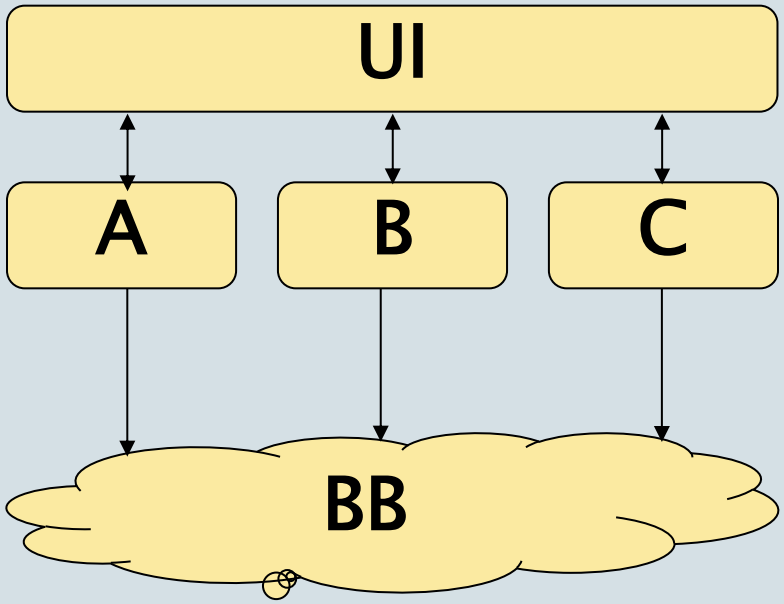
a. **Passive repository**
Accessed by a set of components; e.g. database or server

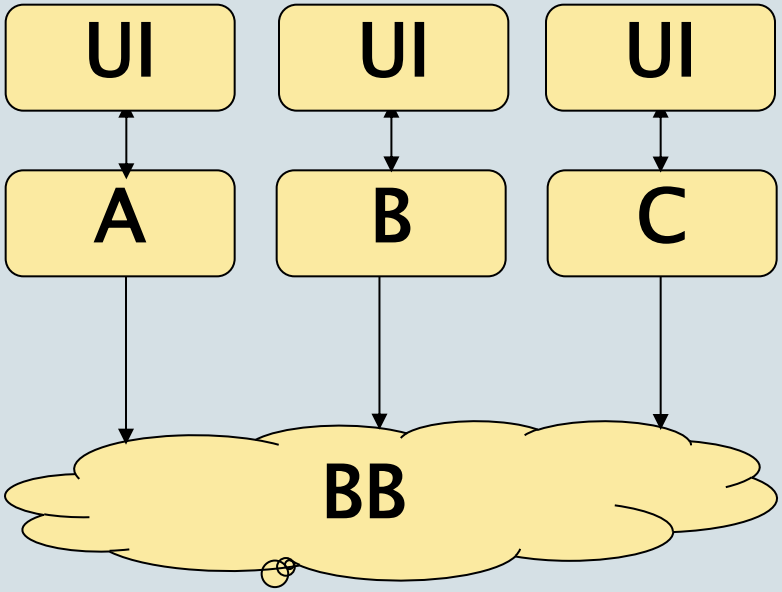
b. **Active repository**
Sends notification to components when data of interest changes; e.g. blackboard or active database



Constraints:
Consistency of repository: Various types of (transaction) consistency

Layering & Blackboard





Blackboard Style (3)

Advantages:

- Allows different control heuristics
- Reusable & heterogeneous knowledge sources
- Support for fault tolerance and robustness by adding redundant components

+/- Dataflow is not directly visible

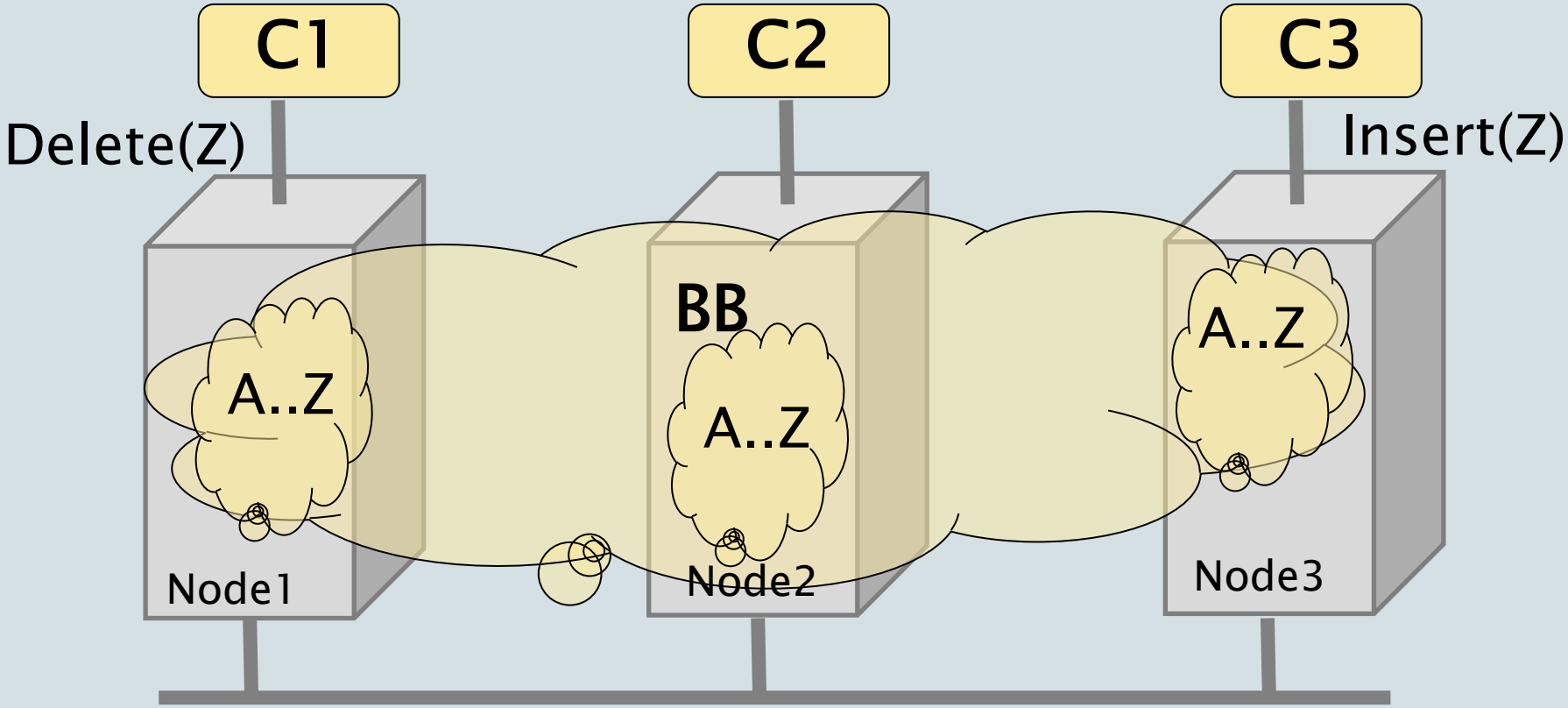
Disadvantages

- Distributed implementation is complex
  - distribution and consistency issues

Blackboard Characteristics

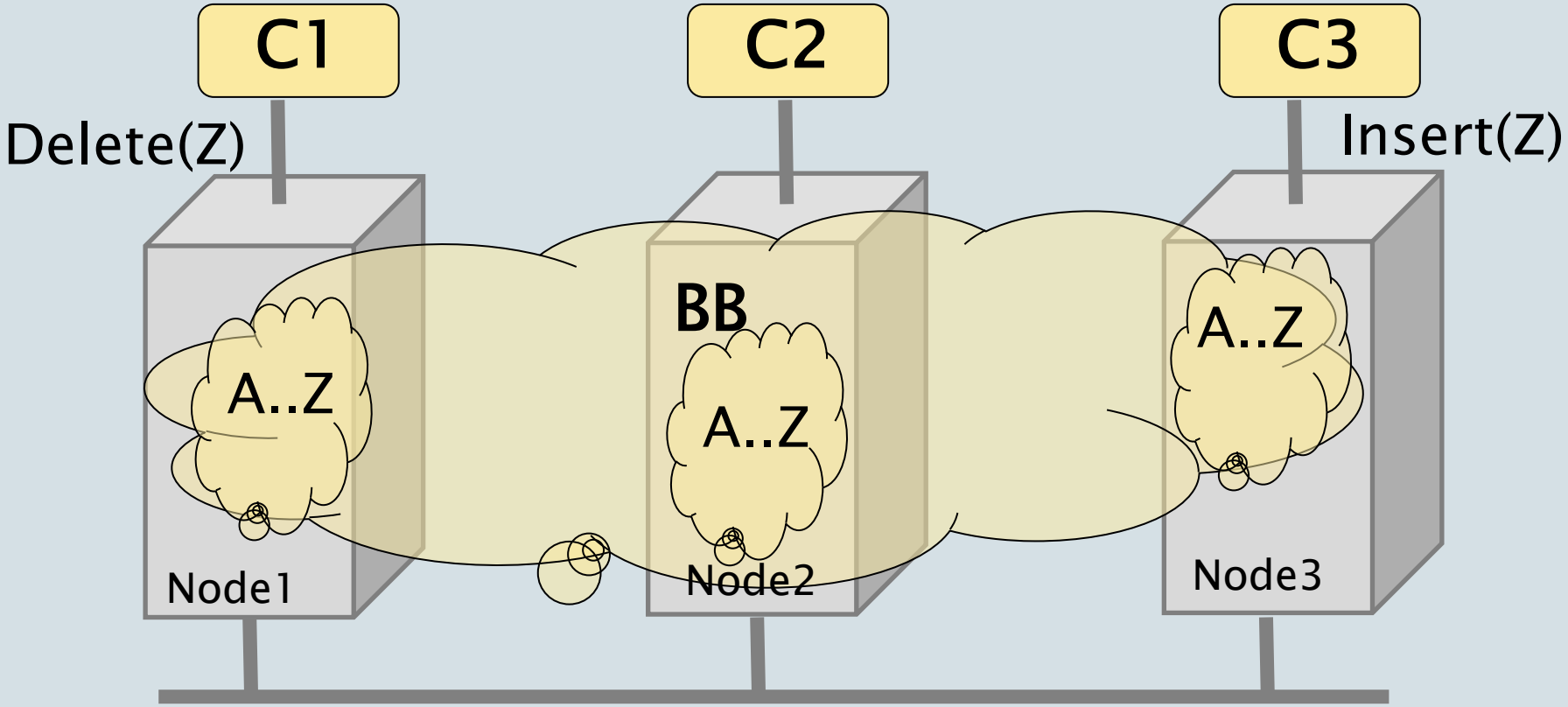
- Data may be structured (DB) or unstructured
- Data may be selected based on content
- Applications may insert/retrieve different data-type per access.
  This in contrast to pub-sub where data of the same type is retrieved repeatedly

Blackboard and consistency



Node 1, 2 and 3 are all storing a copy of the entire dataset (A-Z). This increases reliability & availability and improves response time *(. But ….

Blackboard and consistency



C1 and C3 may 'see' a different content on the blackboard depending on the order (and speed) of executing the delete and insert actions.

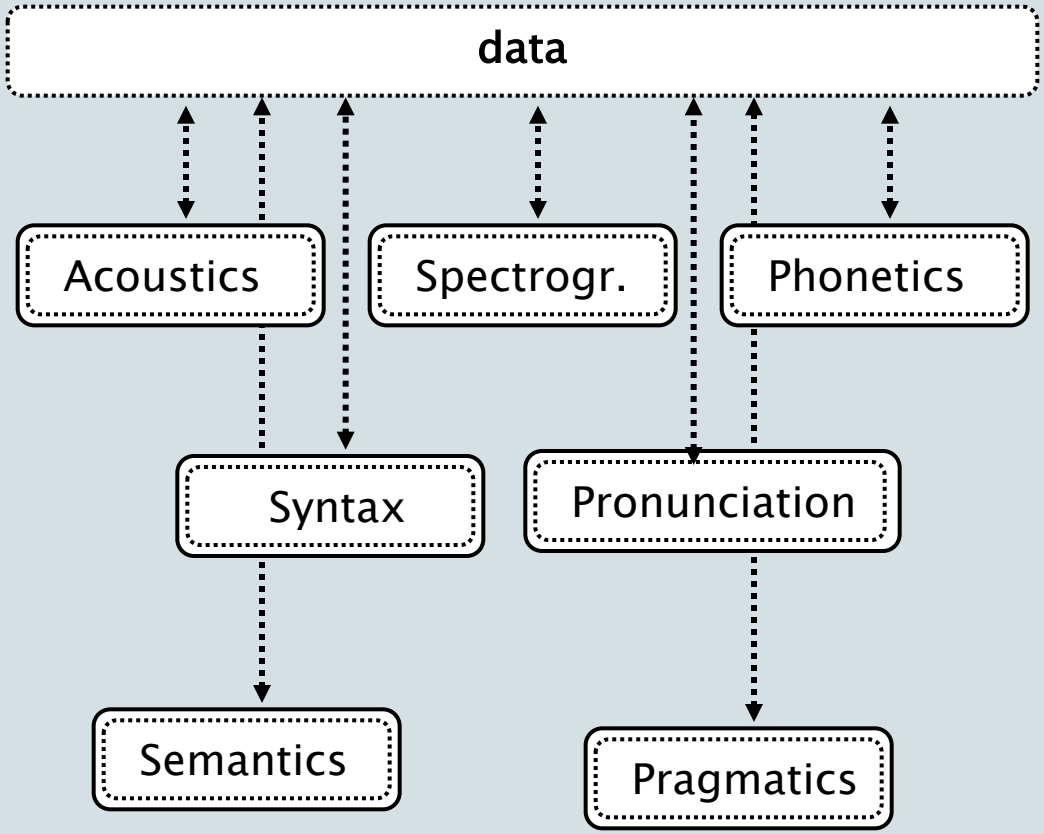
Example of Blackboard Architecture

- Hearsay, speech understanding
- Hearsay was developed in the 1970's by Raj Reddy et al. at Carnegie Mellon University.
- Randy Davis, *Speech Understanding Using Hearsay,* MIT videotape, 1984.

Slides adapted from Terry Bahill, Univ. Arizona, 2007

Hearsay: knowledge sources

- Acoustics
- Spectrographs
- Phonetics
- Pronunciation
- Coarticulation
- Syntax
- Semantics
- Pragmatics



Hearsay: levels of abstraction*

Sentences

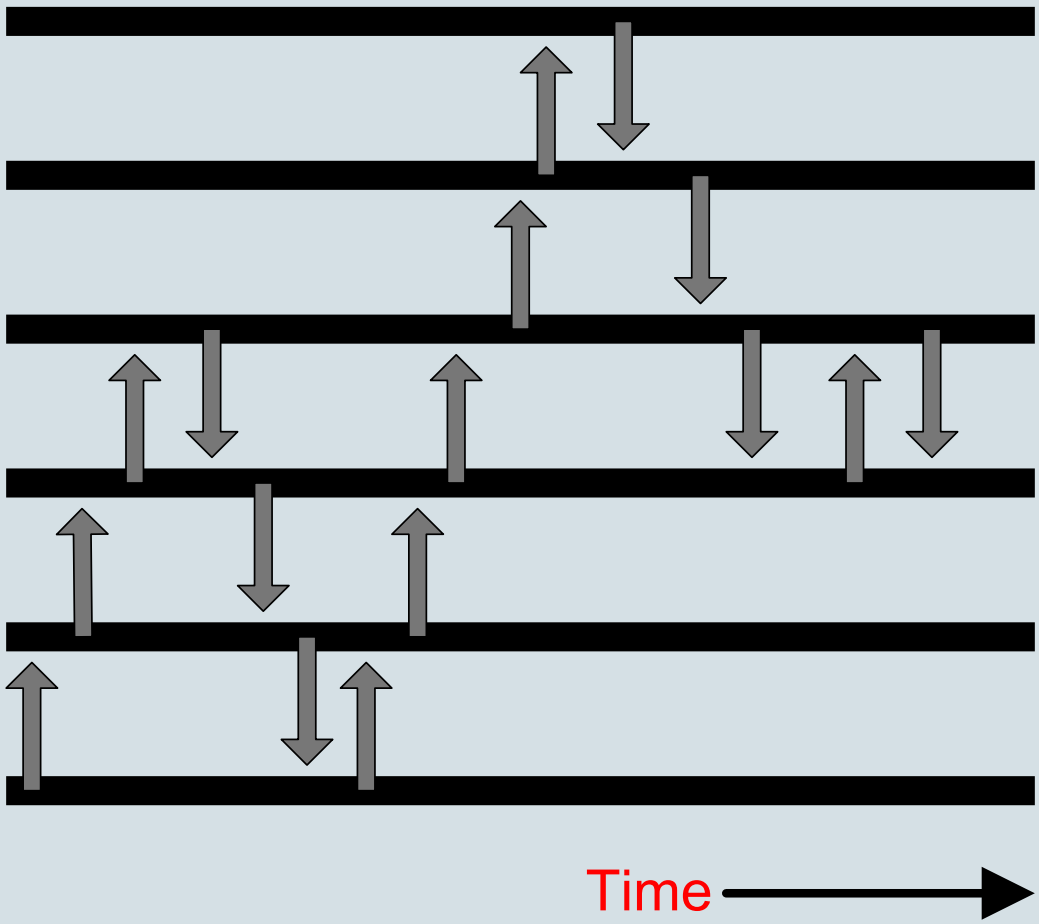
Phrases

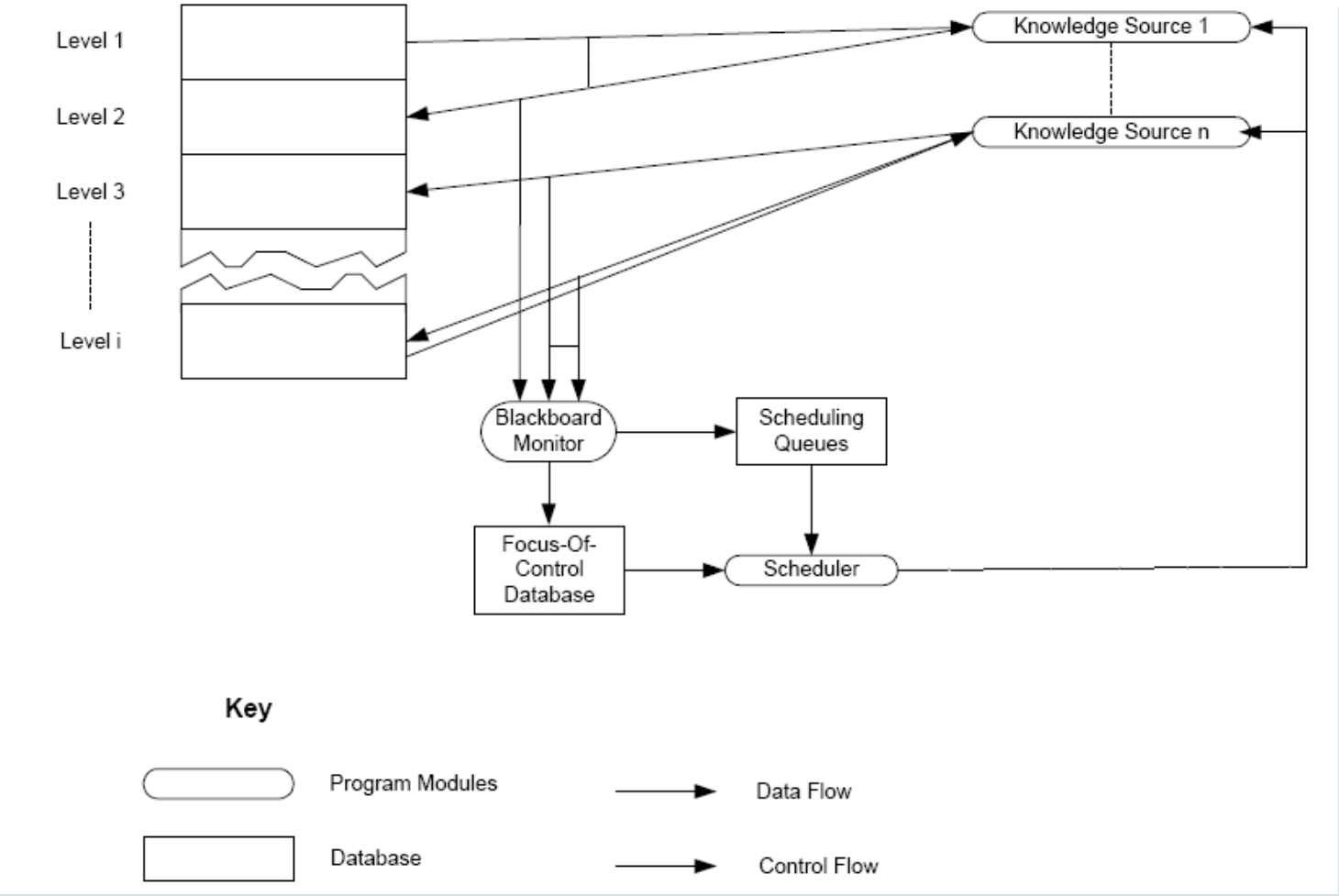
Words

Syllables

Phonemes

Acoustic waveform





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Hearsay: control

- Data driven
- Asynchronous
- Opportunistic
- Islands of reliability
- Combined top-down and bottom-up

Blackboard Style (4) Quality Factors

Extensibility: components can be easily added

Flexibility: functionality of components can be easily changed

Robustness: + components can be replicated,
- blackboard is single point of failure

Security: - all process share the same data
+ security measures can be centralized around blackboard

Performance: easy to execute in parallel fashion
consistency may incur synchroniz.-penalty

Blackboard Style (5) Application Context

Rules of thumb for choosing blackboard (o.a. from Shaw):

- if representation & management of data is a central issue
- if data is long-lived
- if order of computation
  - can not be determined a-priori
  - is highly irregular
  - changes dynamically
- if units of different functionality (typically containing highly specialized knowledge) concurrently act on shared data (horizontal composition of functionality)

Example application domain: expert systems

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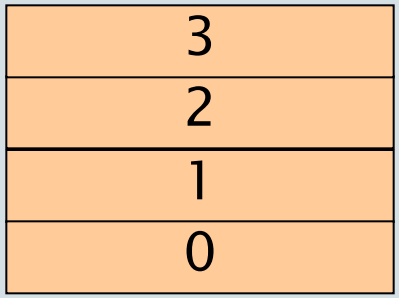
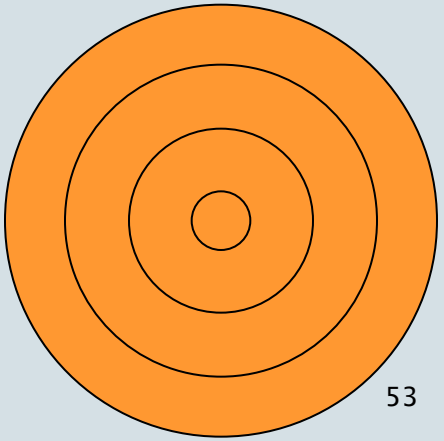
Layering (1)

Goals: Separation of Concerns, Abstraction, Modularity, Portability

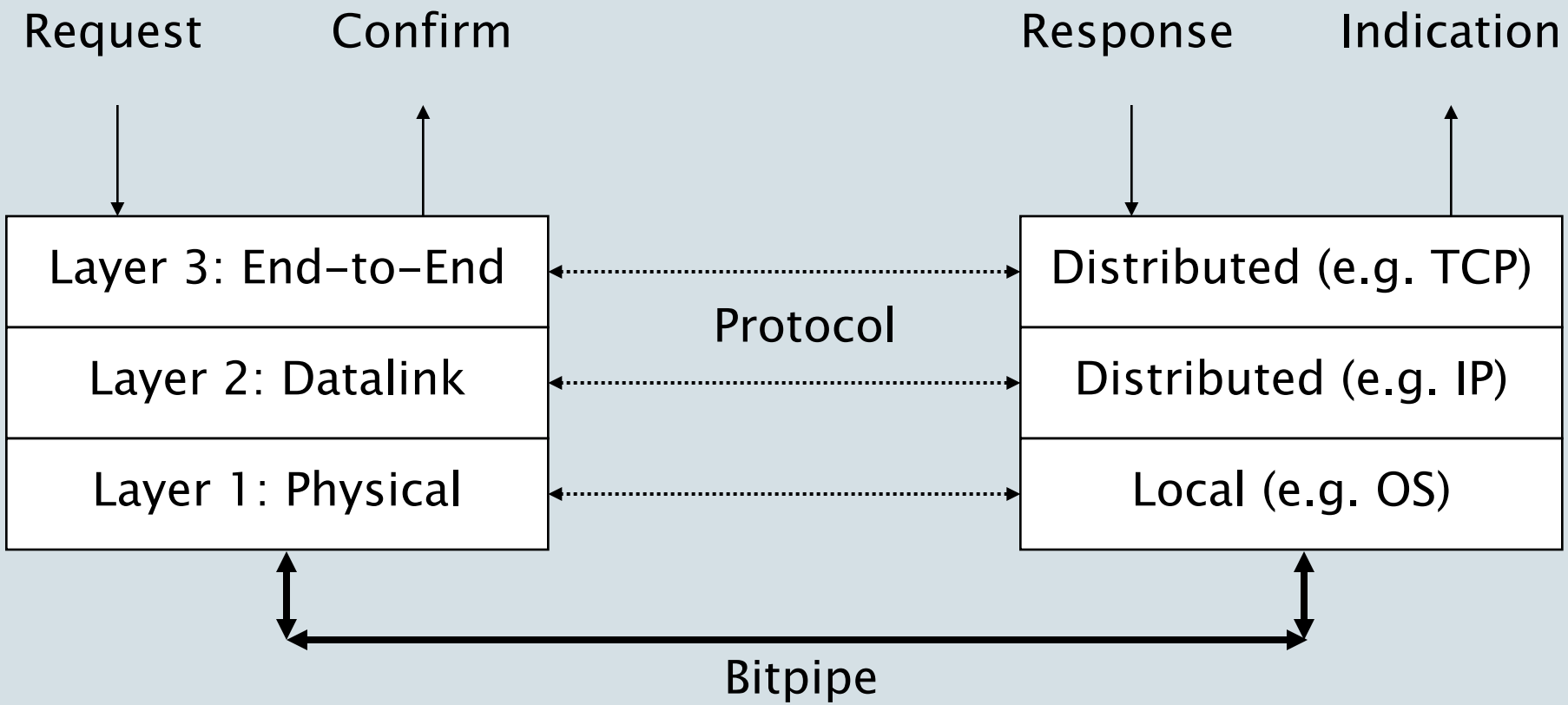
Partitioning in non-overlapping units that

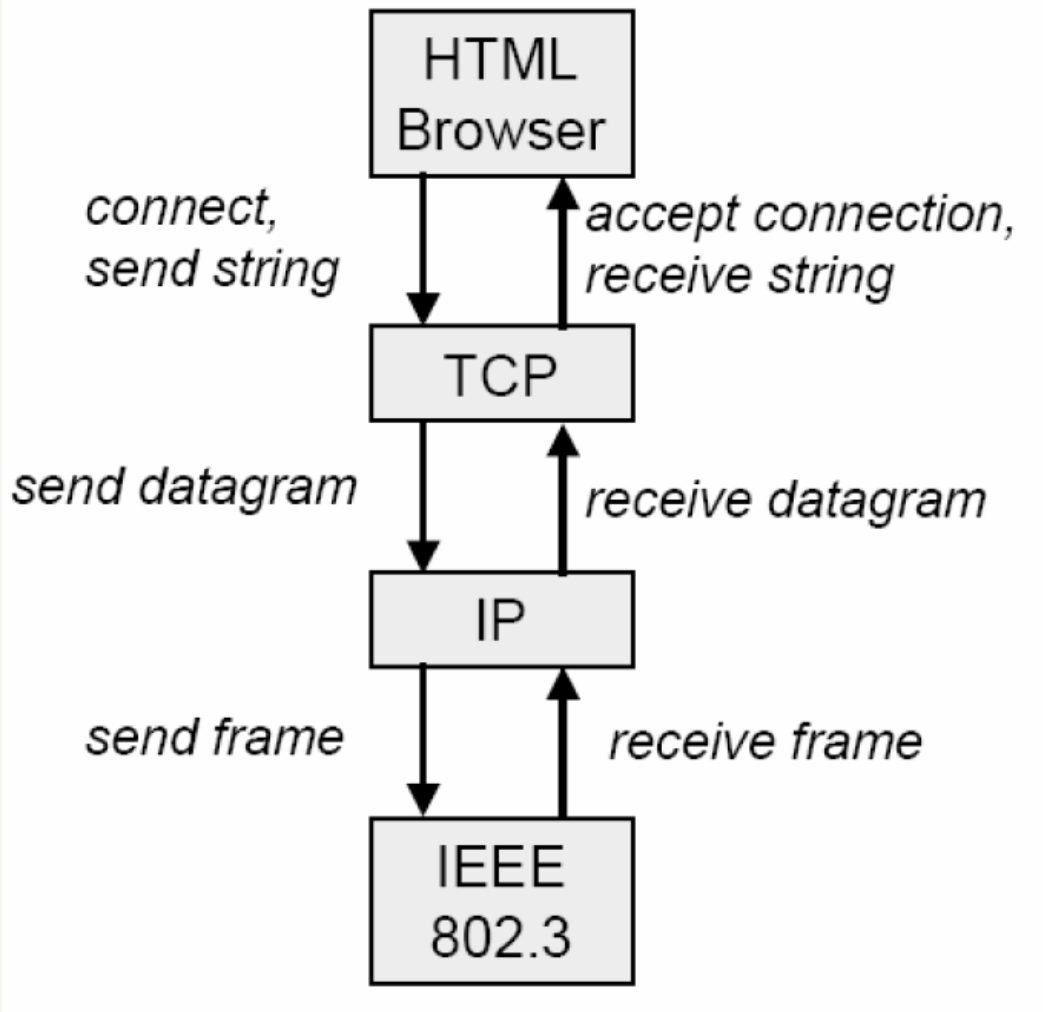
- provide a cohesive set of services at an abstraction level
  (while abstracting from their implementation)
- layer *n* is allowed to use services of layer *n-1*
  (and not vice versa)
  alternative:
  bridging layers: layer *n* may use layers $< n$
  enhances efficiency but hampers portability





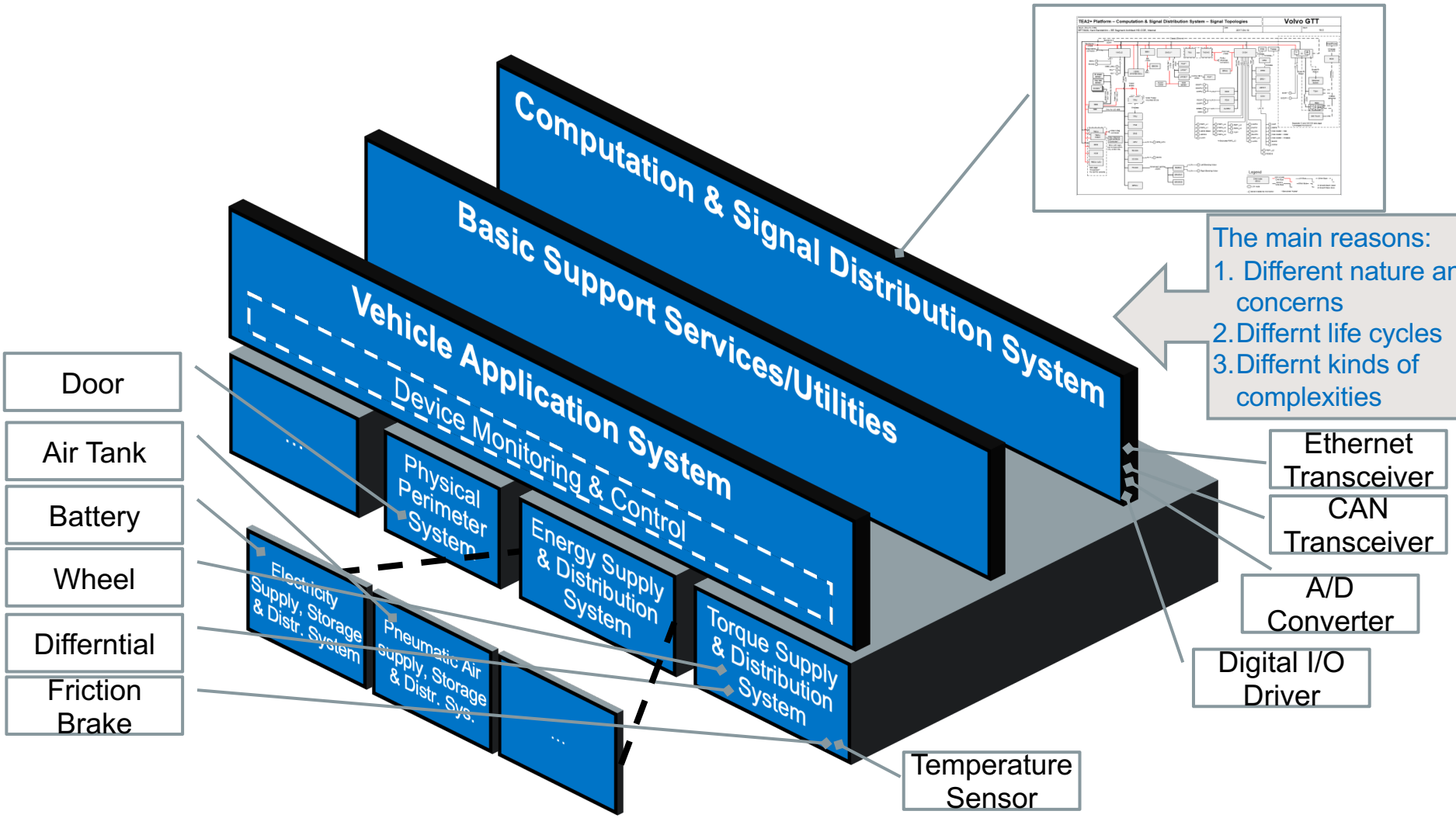
Layering (2)
Example: Communication Stack





Picture from Jeremy Bradbury, Queens Univ. Canada

An example in Automotive Domain: Vehicle Monitoring & Control System



Function: Monitoring Air Inlet Pressure

Converts look and feel into pixels

Deals with the look and feel of the user interface instrument

Deals with WHAT shall be shown to a driver

A representation of Inlet Air and its charactersitics, i.e. convert measurement to a pressure unit like kPa.

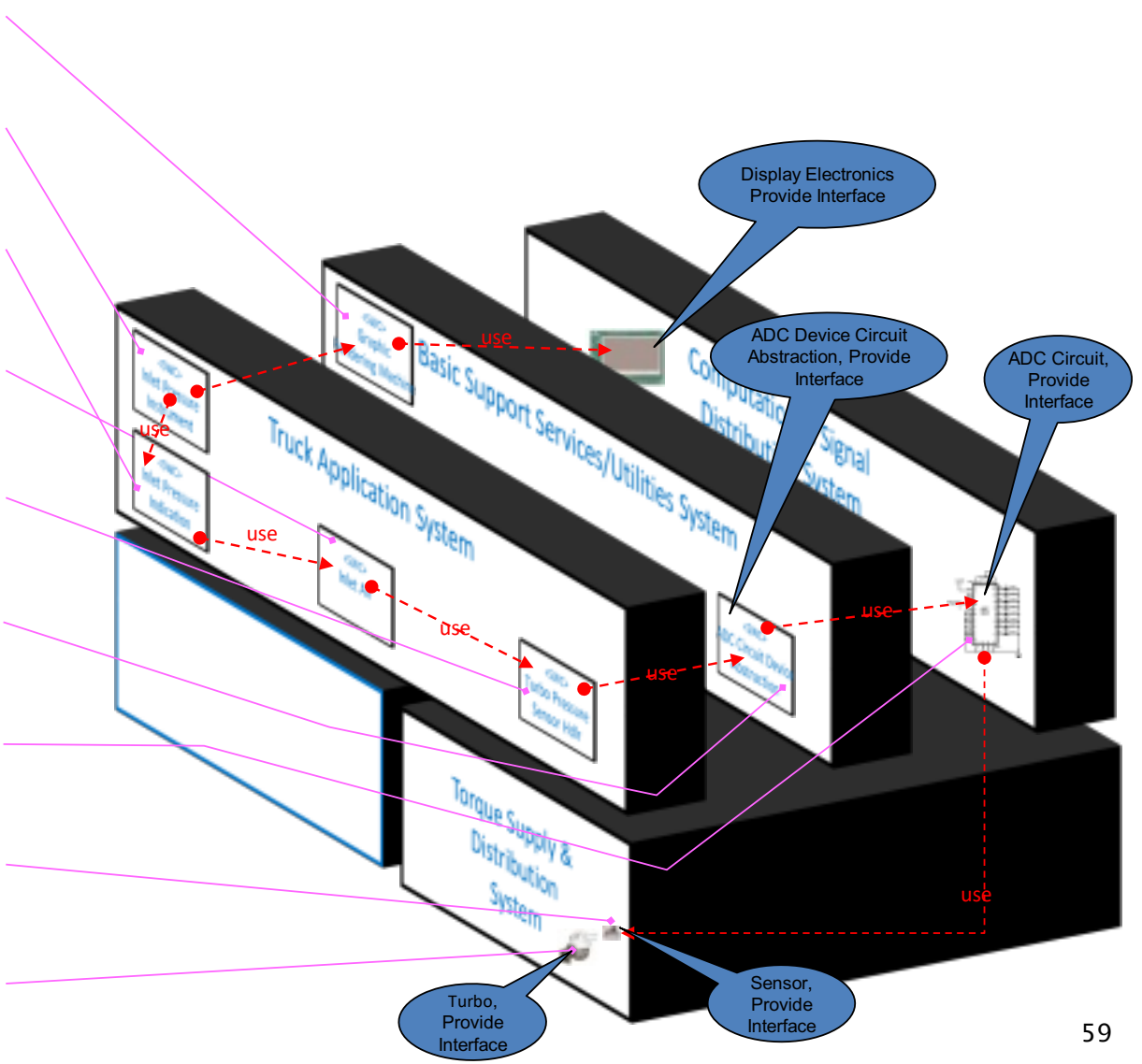
Deals with sensor characteristics, e.g. hysteresis, linerarity, ...

Access the A/D circuit, i.e. deals with circuit characteristics

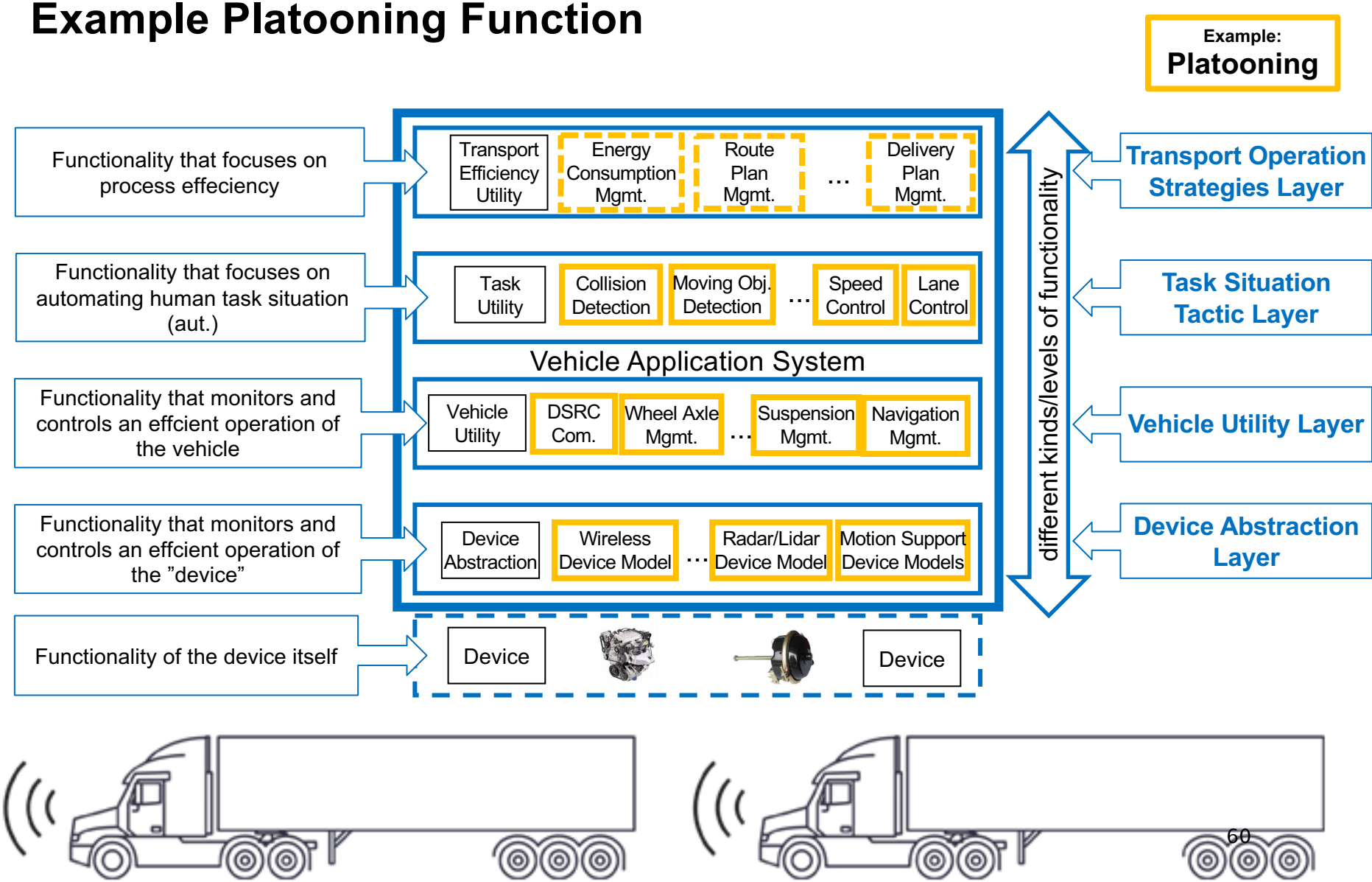
Convert an analogue value to a digital, change units

Convert a strain to a voltage level, change units

Increase pressure = change characteristics of the same unit



Layers in the Vehicle (Truck) Application Systems
Example Platooning Function



Layering (4) Quality Factors

Scalability:	n.a.*
Flexibility:	layers can be redefined
Robustness:	'weakest layer' is limitation
Security:	security measures should be taken at every layers' interface

To understand a system as a whole, the number of layers
Should be limited to an intellectually manageable number: ±7

Layering (5) Application Context

Rules of thumb for using layering:

- if data processing progresses through successive levels of abstraction
  (vertical composition of functionality)

Layering is a technique that helps in structuring systems

Typical examples: OS, device drivers, virtual machine (JVM), ISO, Client/Server

Division of Functionality

Pipeline:
- Multiple functional units operating in sequence (units chosen as steps in process)
- Regular pattern of computation for the class of inputs
- Functional units at same level of abstraction

Blackboard:
- Multiple functional units where order of operation is irregular or not know a-priori
- Allows concurrent operation of functional units
- Functional units at same level of abstraction (typically highly specialized processing)

Layered:
- Functionality (services) which are concerned with same level of abstraction are grouped

Summary Architectural Styles

Every Architect should have a standard set of architectural styles in his/her repertoire

- it is important to understand the essential properties of each style: when to (not) use them
- examples:
  - C/S, pipe and filters, blackboard, pub/sub, P2P

The choice for a style can make a big difference in the quality properties of a system

- analysis of the differences can provide rational for choosing a style

Questions ?