



ARTEMIS 2013 AIPP5

EMC²

A Platform Project on Embedded Microcontrollers in Applications of Mobility, Industry and the Internet of Things

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Project Overview

Numbers



Embedded Multi-core Systems for Mixed-Criticality Applications in Dynamic and Changeable Real-Time Environments – EMC²

(Artemis Innovation Pilot Project (AIPP))

- **AIPP 5:** Computing Platforms for Embedded Systems
- **Budget:** 93.9 M€
- **Funding:** 15.7 M€ EU funding (Artemis)
26.7 M€ National funding
- **Resources:** 9636 person months (803 person years)
- **Consortium:** 101 Partners (plus 1 associate partner)
- **From:** 16 EU Countries

→ Largest ARTEMIS-JU project ever!
most relevant EU players on board



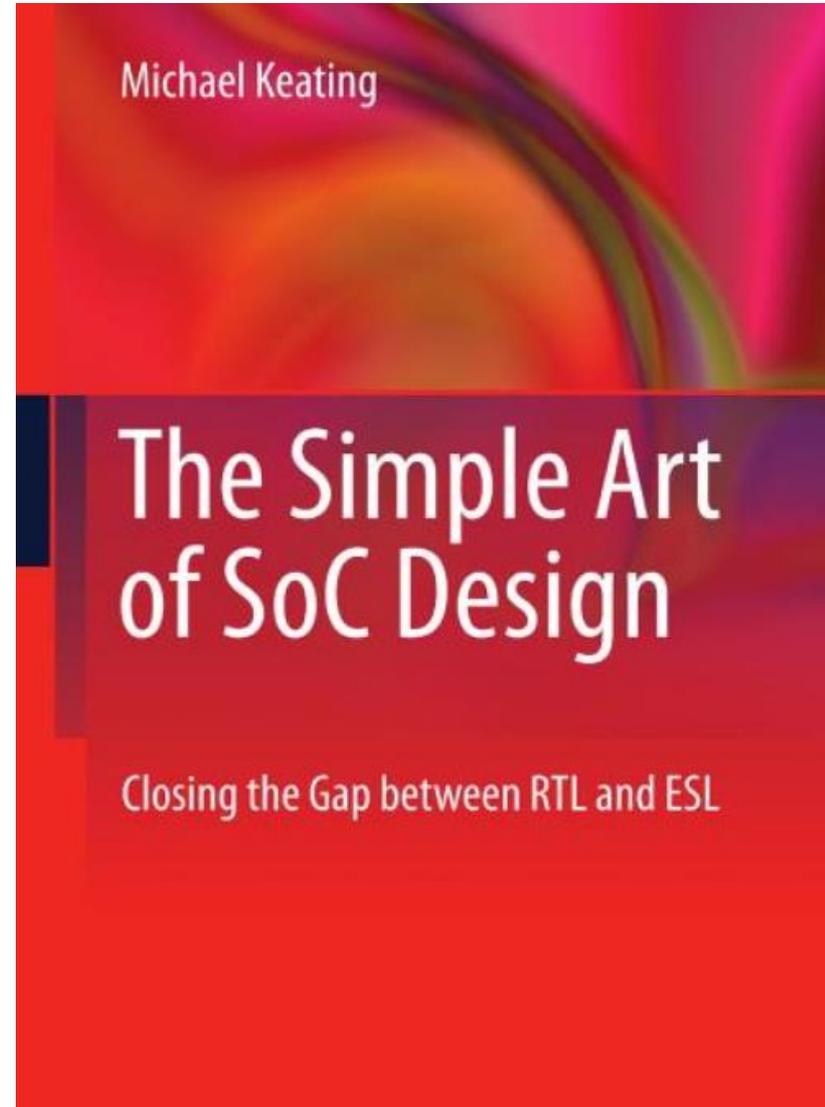
Software Productivity

Michael Keating, Synopsis Fellow



„We live in a world where function (hardware and software) is described in code. But code does not scale.

Individual coders cannot code more lines of code than they could decades ago.





Motivation for EMC²



- Very fast technological advances of μ -electronics in past decades
- Amazing capabilities at lowered cost levels
- Systems quickly put together since the next technology generation is already waiting around the corner
- Today primarily exploited in consumer-oriented products
- Errors may be tolerated and a new execution attempt started
- This (and similar) way(s) of handling errors acceptable for consumer products



Application innovation

- In professional areas the consumer approach is not feasible: **Automotive, Avionics, Space, Industry, Health care, Infrastructure**
- Need much higher level of operational reliability
- Higher HW/SW complexity
- Have to fulfill real-time safety requirements
- Dynamic reconfiguration during runtime
- Prime task of EMC² to bring two worlds together
 - Consumer world: use of advanced μ C systems
 - Professional world: reliability, complexity, real-time

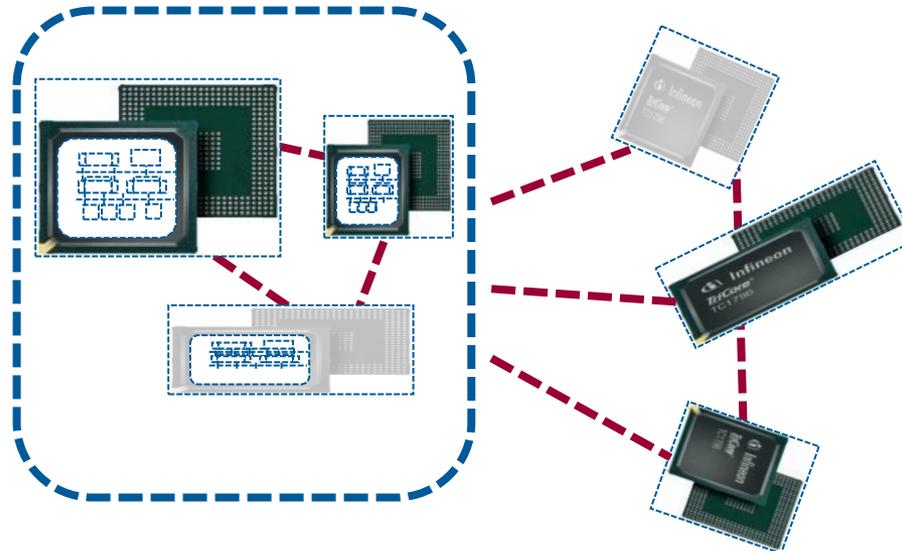




Technological innovation



- Mixed Criticality
 - Handle applications with different priorities
- Dynamic Re-configuration
 - Full range of dynamic changes on application level
- Hardware Complexity
 - Variable number of control units at runtime





Application innovation



- EMC² - Embedded Multi-core Systems for Mixed-Criticality Applications in Dynamic and Changeable Real-Time Environments
- Applications: Automotive, Avionics, Space, Industry, Health care; Infrastructure
- Improve performance, lower cost
- Improve energy efficiency





Goal: Safe optimization of QoS in Mixed-Critical Applications

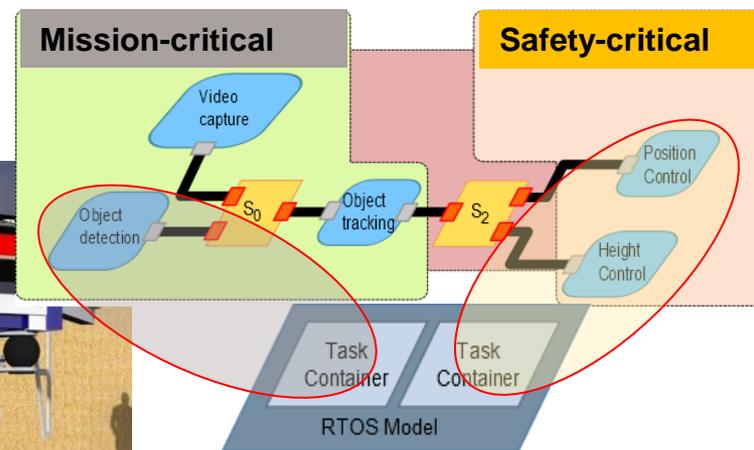
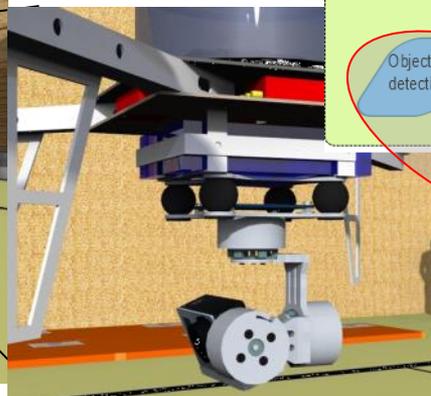
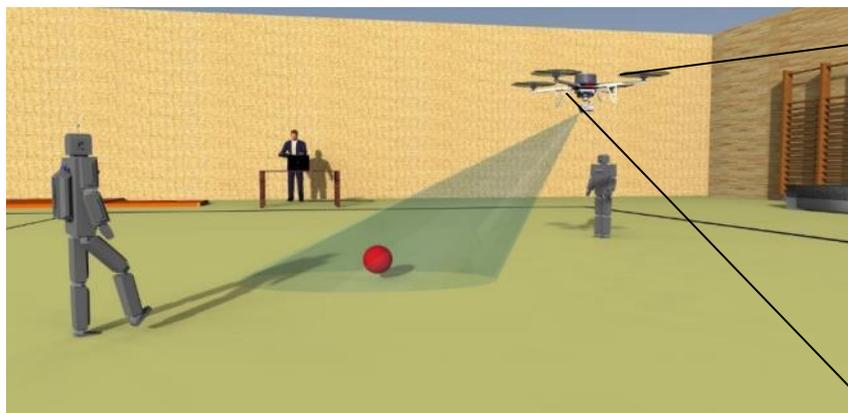
Use-case Avionic Control and Payload Platform for Multi-Rotor Systems

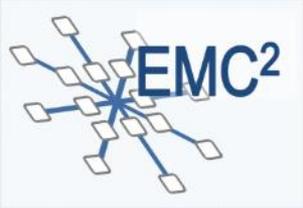
■ Safety critical System

- 3 parallel Flight Control Tasks (2 ms)
- 6 Sensor Channels (2-30ms)
- 3 Sensor Compute Tasks (2 ms)
- Small violations accumulate to crash

■ High Throughput Video application

- Mission critical object detection
- Minimal 6 frames/second
- Demand for high data throughput





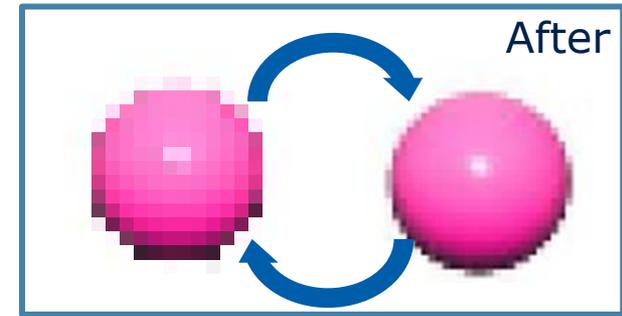
Optimized QoS in Mixed-Critical Applications with Dynamic Criticalities



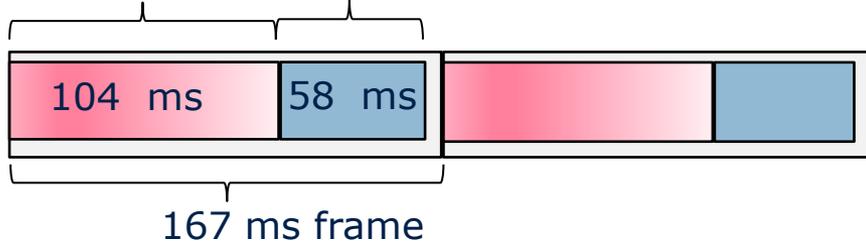
Static schedule (WCET based)



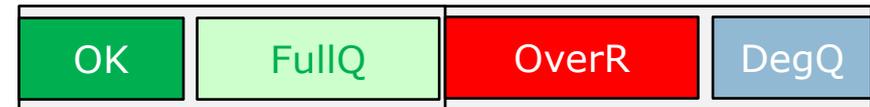
Dynamic Criticality Modes



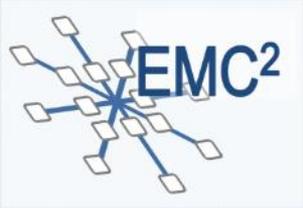
Flight CS Video Proc: 300x200 px.



95% (typical case) Flight CS: 64 ms
Leaves: 103 ms or 460x320 px.



Criticality Policy	# Degraded	# Full Quality	Av. Throughput
Static	30	0	1055 Kib/sec
Dynamic	13 (± 3)	17(± 3)	1923 Kib/sec (182%)



Multi-Core Hardware Architectures



- Various advanced mechanisms (~ 80) enabling
 - handling high congestion in networked systems
 - e.g. in cooperative intelligent transportation system (ITS) with wireless sensor networks
- mixing different criticality domains in networks for performance and high integration
 - automotive Ethernet networks
 - networks-on-chip

**dynamic
network
reconfiguration**



HW Architectures & Concepts

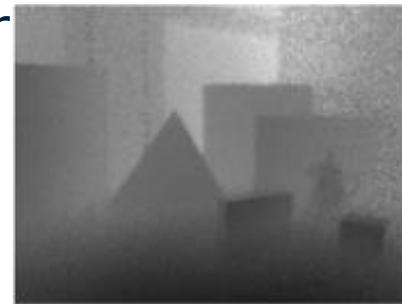
Use case: Time-of-Flight 3D Imaging



- Objective: Exploration of novel Time-of-Flight (ToF) 3D imaging concepts targeting multi-cores and mixed-criticality
- Key achievements
 - ToF / RGB sensor fusion
 - First time high-performance sensor fusion solution for embedded systems achieved
 - Upscaled resolution, increased sharpness, less noise, less motion artifacts, high FPS
 - HW-accel. ToF processing
 - Novel Zynq-based system solution for mixed-critical app.



ToF 3D camera



Low-res. ToF image



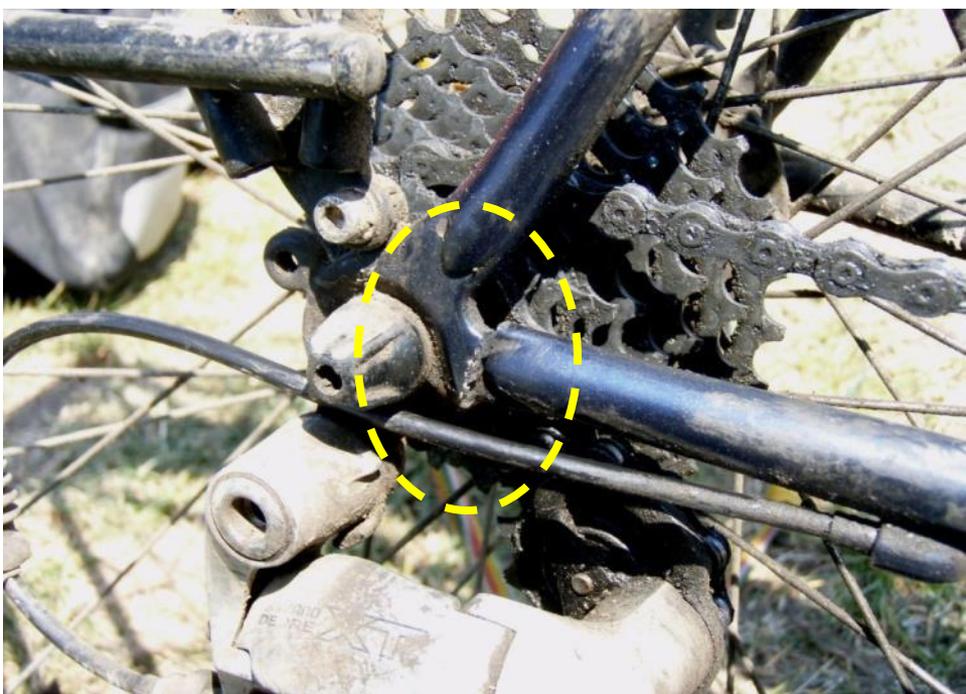
High-res. RGB image



ToF/RGB fused 3D image



Digitalization of Software Engineering, Why?



BUG



PATCH



Digitalization of Software Engineering, Why?



**BUGFIXING with high CRITICALITY,
because the “Bugfix” destroyed the derailer**



**BUG FIXED
at least to some degree**



Digitalization of Software Engineering, Why?



The result of the bugfixing was:

One problem is fixed, another one is created.

This looks like software engineering...

[Herman Veldhuizen, during its way from Norway to Tibet]

Source:

<http://www.hermanveldhuizen.com/wp/?p=141>



Digitalization of Software Engineering



□ Context

- Software development with a high focus on time-to-market
- Time is therefore critical and the test-team is always overloaded

□ Problem

- How to verify 258 bug fixes provided with the last software version?
- There is not enough time to re-verify all of them.
- Which bug fixes could be ignored safely?

□ Solution

- Use the big-data approach and calculate a **criticality-factor** for every bug fix which reflects the complexity of every bug fix.
- The higher the **criticality-factor** the higher is the probability that a new bug might have been introduced.
- Bug fixes with relatively low **criticality-factors** could be ignored, i.e. they do not need to be re-tested by the test team.

- **Objective:** Enable new applications and business through enabling Safety-Security Assurance and Certification in EMC²-Systems

- **Key achievements**

- Integration of Safety and Security Engineering to handle the impact of security on safety
- Conditional runtime certification enabling safety checks of dynamic system compositions
- High impact on Standardization
Consideration of cybersecurity in upcoming editions of functional safety standards



Cf. "Umsetzungsempfehlungen Zukunftsprojekt Industrie 4.0"



Multicore Processors for Avionics



Objective:

Since certification authorities have concerns on mixed-critical applications on MCPs, the goal is to implement a safety net for the MCP, mitigating unforeseen or undesirable MCP operation *using SW Hypervisor* that monitor the MCP. Based on this information the monitor will decide if the MCP operates in normal conditions. In case of abnormal behaviour of the MCP the monitor can warn the pilot that the system is no longer operational

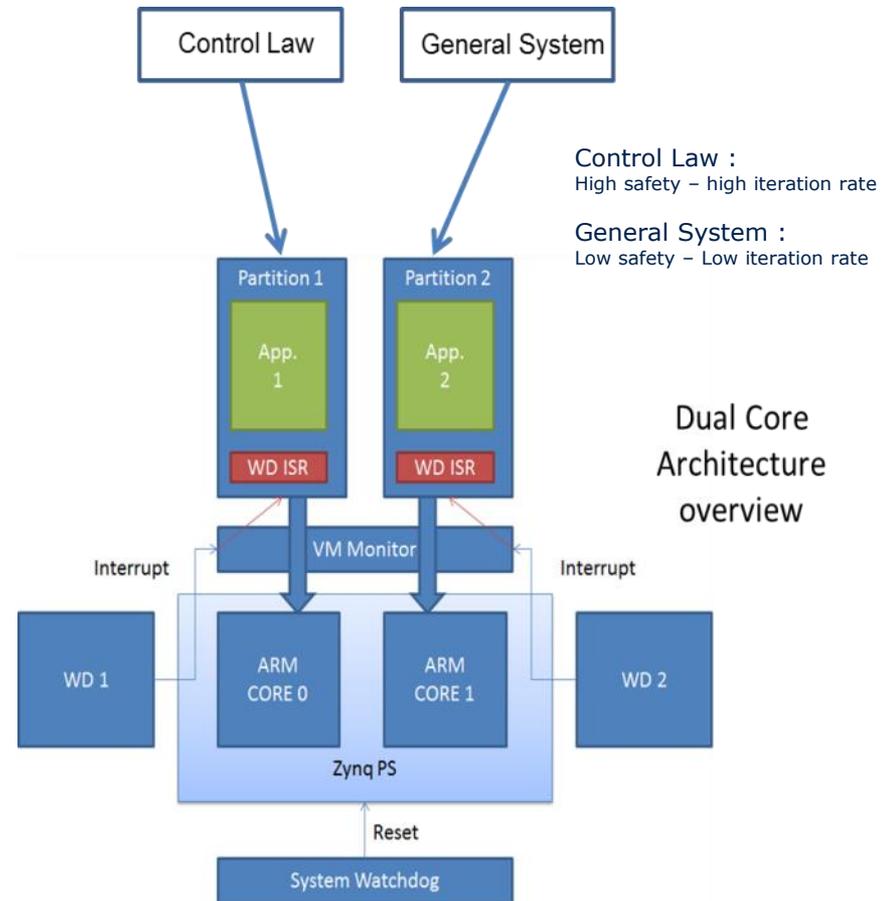
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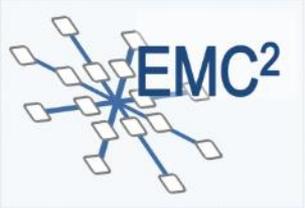
No functional interference between partitions;

Bounded temporal interference (<4%) of one faulty partition on the other fault-free one.

Good separation thanks to HW watchdog + virtualization.

Hardware features to guarantee bounded quality of services are needed.





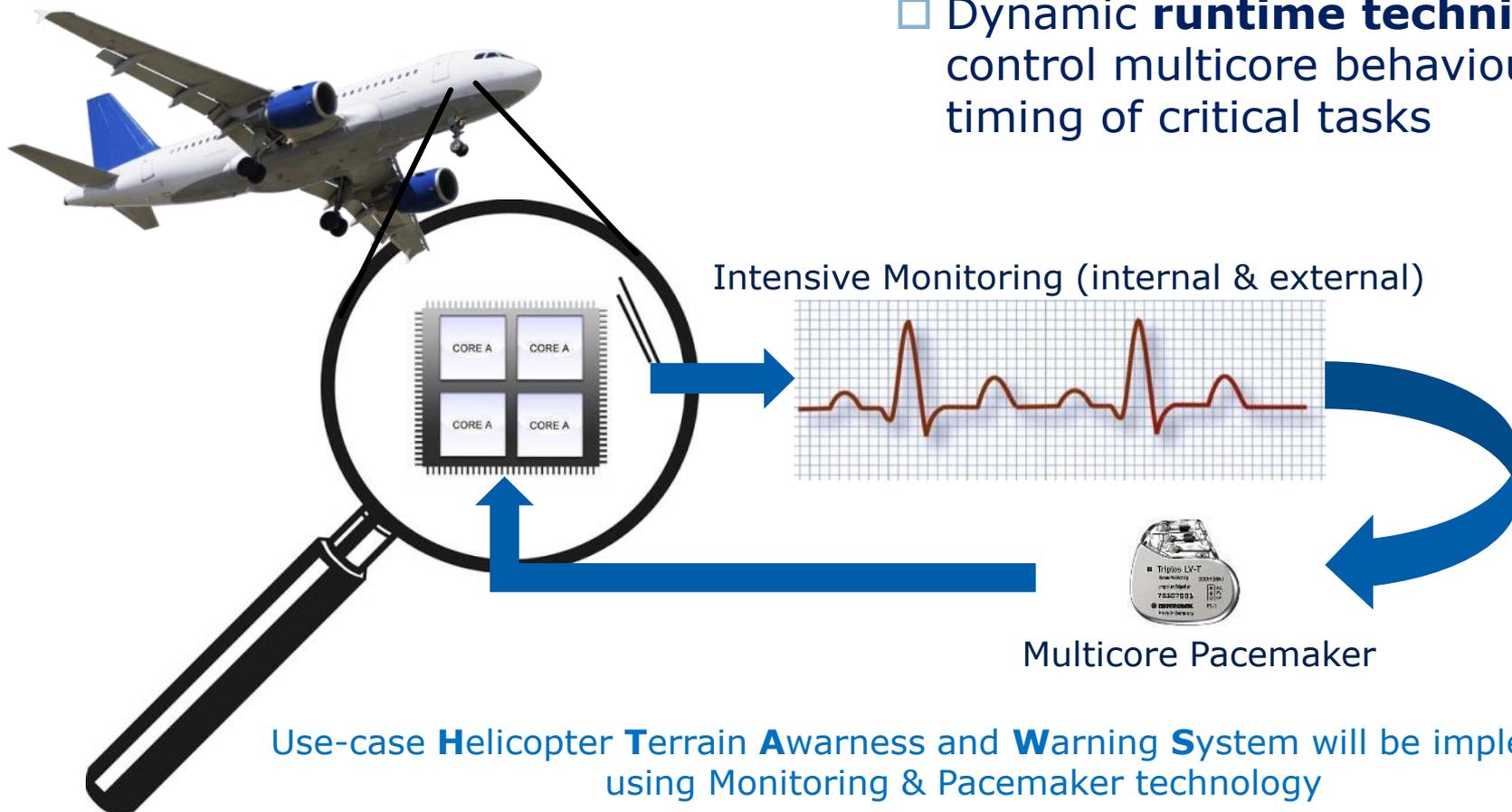
Avionics Use-Case: Technical Results



- **Objective:** Enable Multicores for use in safety critical avionics applications

- Key achievements

- **External & Internal Monitoring of MC Activities**
- Dynamic **runtime techniques** to control multicore behaviour and timing of critical tasks





Quality Control by 3D Inspection



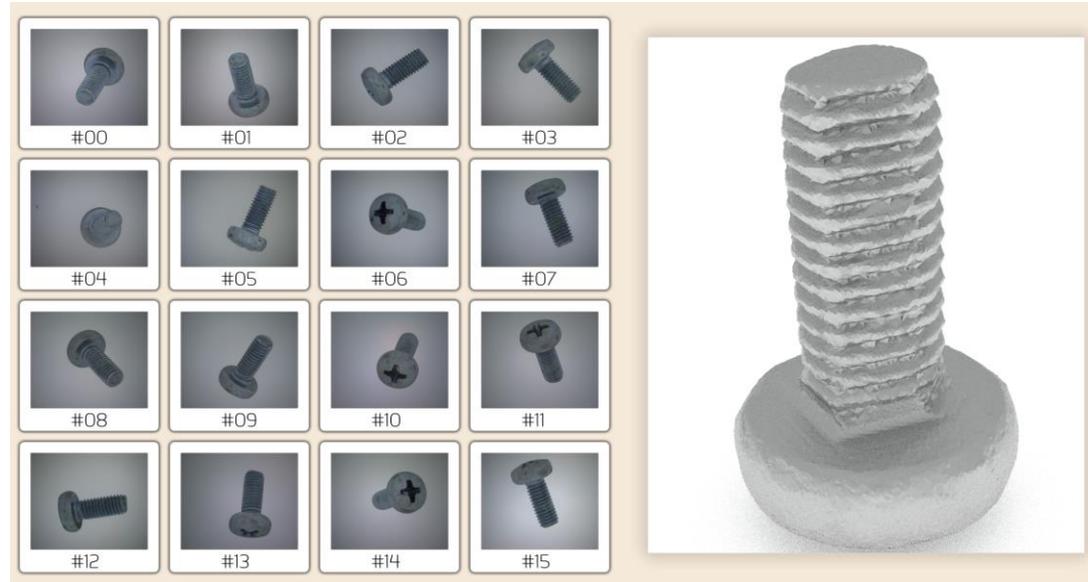
■Objective:

Comparison between sequential and parallel models for a task of 3D object reconstruction.

Object reconstruction used to distinguish different objects and to find surface defects based on texture comparison.

■Key achievements:

Increased overall inspection performance by 300%: With OpenMP parallelization and an execution platform composed of 2 processors, 16 cores and multithreading capabilities a reduction of computation time from 24.563 milliseconds to 7.996 milliseconds is achieved by exploiting coarse parallelism and thus decreasing latency.



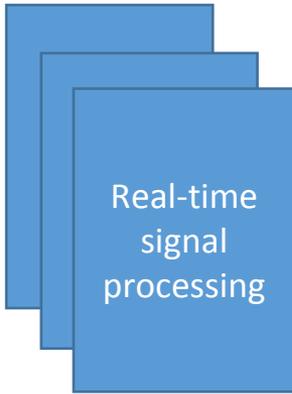


Seismic processing



Real-time processing on sea:

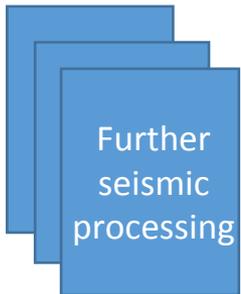
300 Mbit/sec per streamer



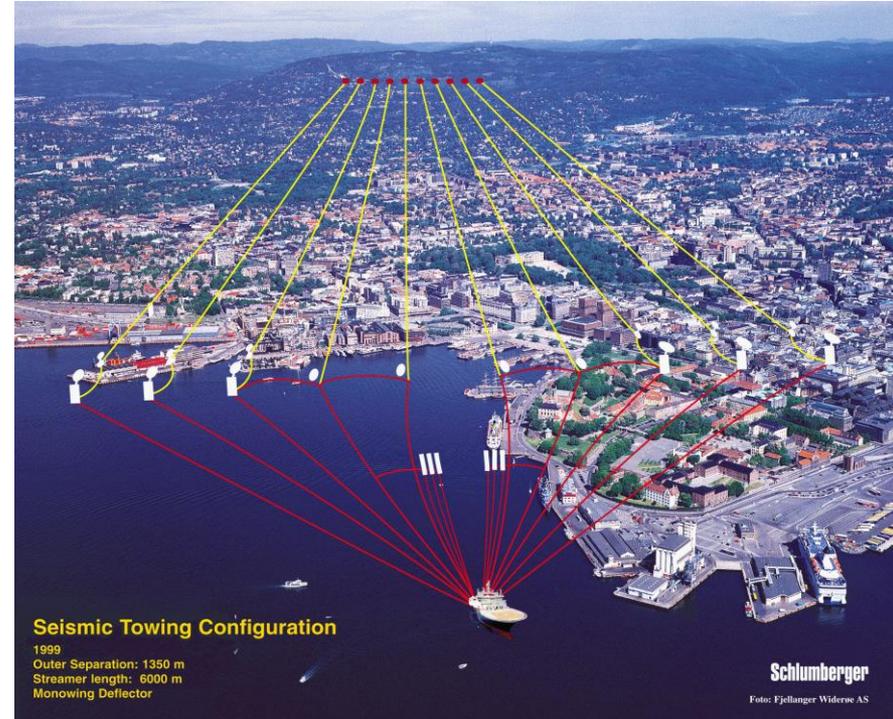
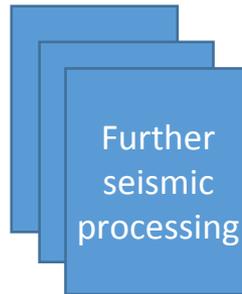
300 Mbit/sec per streamer



On ship:



On land:



200 computers with 4 000 cores



- 8-14 streamers behind ship
- Streamer length 10km - 14 km
- 100 - 200 computers per streamer
- 200 000 sensors per streamer



Potential impacts of Use Case on Seismic Processing at sea and on land



- Generated C++ code runs 5 times faster than MATLAB code
- **Reduced engineering time:** New algorithms exploiting multi-cores can be implemented much faster.
- **Reduced execution time:** Reduced execution time translates into **reduced costs** for seismic processing.
- **Achievement 2016 Q1:** For the first prototype, the generated C++ code runs **2-4 as fast** as the MATLAB code.



[**simula** . research laboratory]





Video surveillance for critical infrastructure



Video applications are entering into more and more markets such as

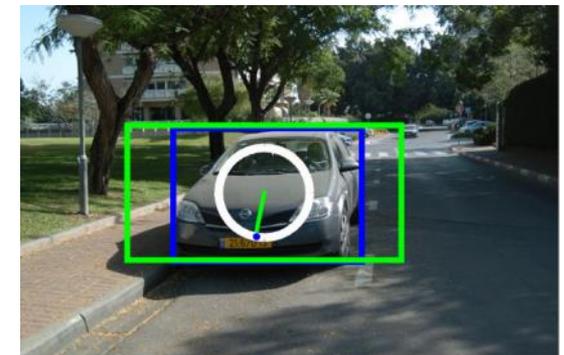
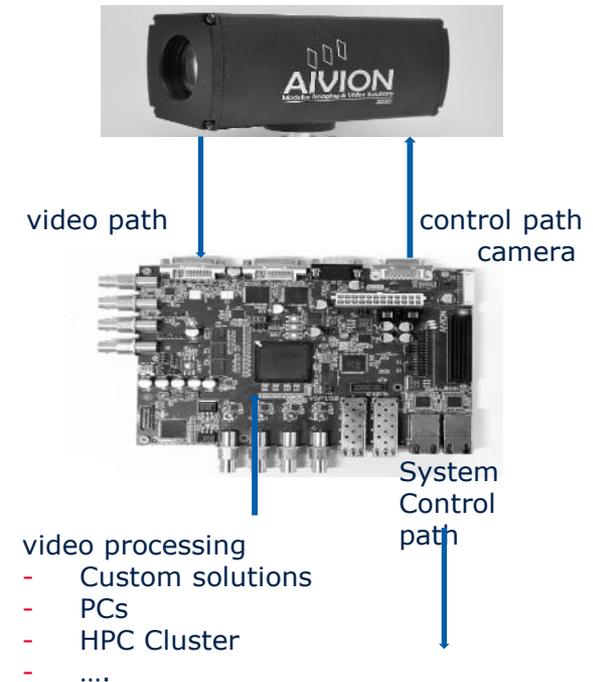
- Surveillance
- Medical applications
- Automated driving
- Quality control in production
- Automatic access control
- just a few examples

Objective: Acceleration of an object (face) detection algorithm by using multi-core or FPGA architectures.

Results: Implemented object/license plate detector in Xilinx Zynq

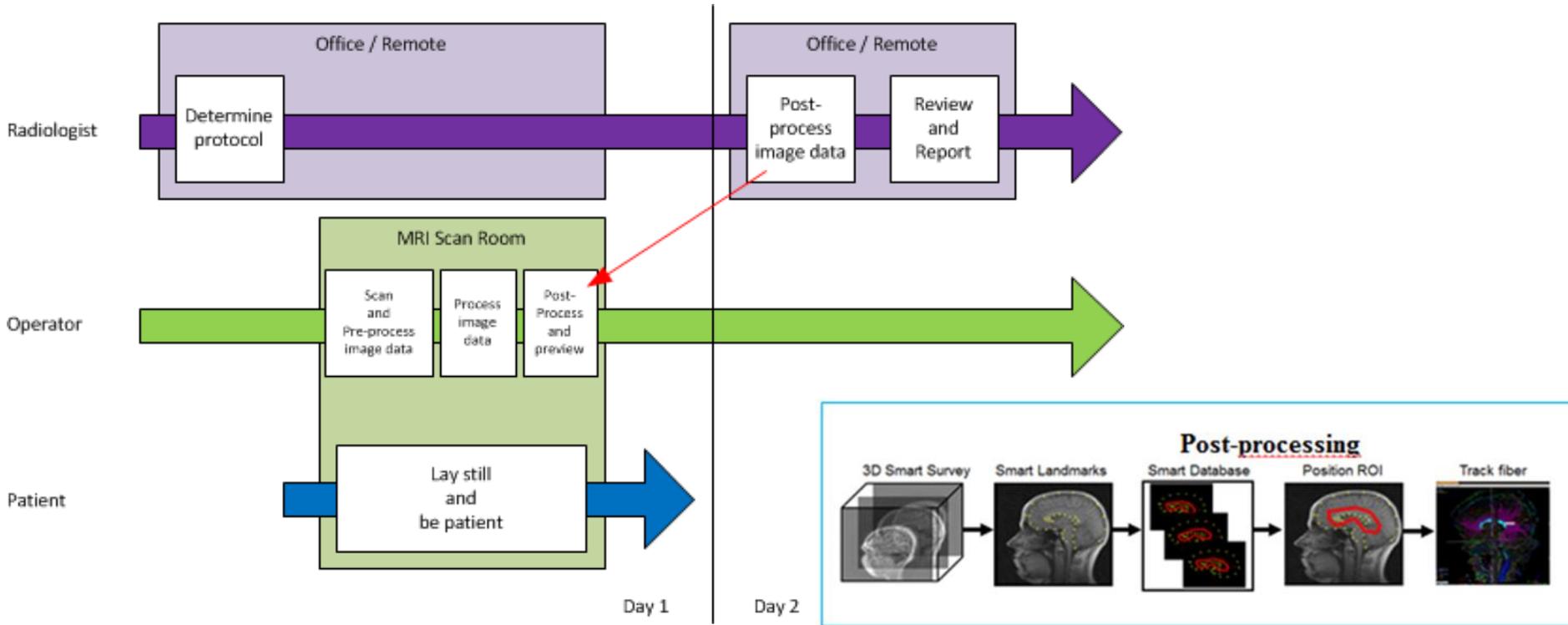
Experiments with High Dynamic Range detection of license plates

Further experiments with Random Forests for object detection



Random forest vehicle detector

- **Challenge:**
Prevent patient call back for complex diagnostic procedures
- Go from separate tasks deployed on separate systems to a single system solution



Workflow after EMC² (innovation)



Public project website



- First version online at project start: www.emc2-project.eu
- Website is updated whenever news, events and other information for publication becomes available

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About EMC²

EMC² – ‘Embedded Multi-Core systems for Mixed Criticality applications in dynamic and changeable real-time environments’ is an ARTEMIS Joint Undertaking project in the Innovation Pilot Programme ‘Computing platforms for embedded systems’ (AIPP5).

Embedded systems are the key innovation driver to improve almost all mechatronic products with cheaper and even new functionalities. They support today’s information society as inter-system communication enabler. A major industrial challenge arises from the need to face cost efficient integration of different applications with different levels of safety and security on a single computing platform in an open context.

EMC² finds solutions for dynamic adaptability in open systems, provides handling of mixed criticality applications under real-time conditions, scalability and utmost flexibility, full scale deployment and management of integrated tool chains, through the entire lifecycle.

The objective of EMC² is to establish Multi-Core technology in all relevant Embedded Systems domains.

Upcoming Events

06/22/2015

EMC² Special Session at IEEE INDIN Conference 2015

EMC² IEEE Industrial Informatics Conference (INDIN) 2015 - special session on “Embedded Multi-Core Systems for Mixed Criticality Applications in...”

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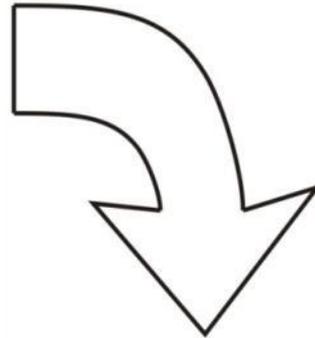
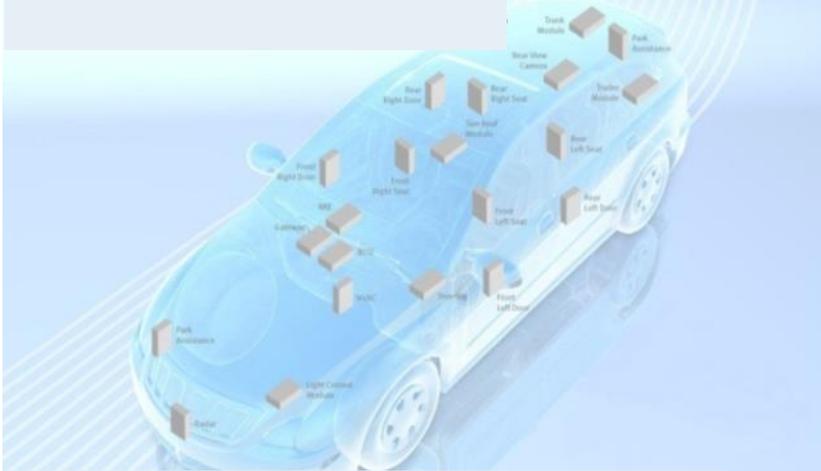


Reduce Number of Control Units

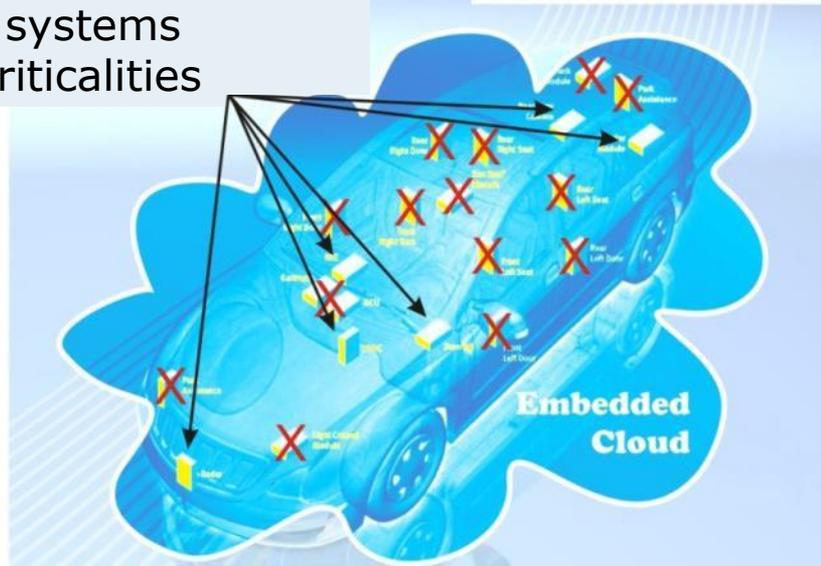
Save cost and increase performance



Many heterogeneous single-core systems, specialized for the individual criticality levels



Multi-core systems for mixed criticalities



Vision

Aggregate resources
In multi/many cores,
ECU networks



Offer system properties as services and not as independent systems