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Tactile CyberpHysical nEtworkS

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Why low-latency IoT systems



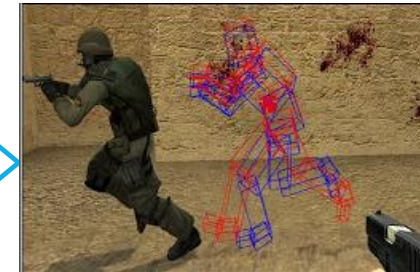
virtual reality



Free viewpoint video



Industrial automation



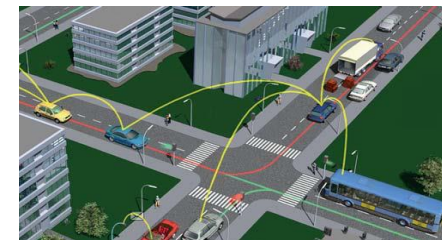
Online game



Telesurgery



Remote Robot



Traffic safety,
autonomous driving

Some Use Cases

TABLE I
THE REQUIREMENT FOR LOW LATENCY APPLICATIONS

	Latency	Reliability	Other
Assembly line [5], [9]	0.5 ms	99.9999999 %	-
Virtual reality [10]	1 ms	-	-
Automated guided vehicle [5], [9]	few ms	99.99999%	high data rate
Remote control robots [5], [9]	few ms	99.999%	-
Free viewpoint videoing [5]	few ms	-	strong processing capability
Financial market [5]	few ms	high	
Tele-surgery [5], [11]	1-10 ms	98 %	high data rate
Exoskeletons and Prosthetic hands [5], [12], [13]	few ms	high	-
Advanced metering [14]	12-20 ms	-	-
Distributed automation [14]	< 15 ms	-	-
Online games [15]	< 100ms	-	high data rate

The research vision

- Future Internet of Things (IoT) systems will have huge impact only if secure communications with **ultra-low-latency** will materialize
- Currently there is no fundamental design method capable to ensure real-time and secure communications
- We propose to investigate the most prominent design principles for future near-to-zero latency IoT systems

The Partners

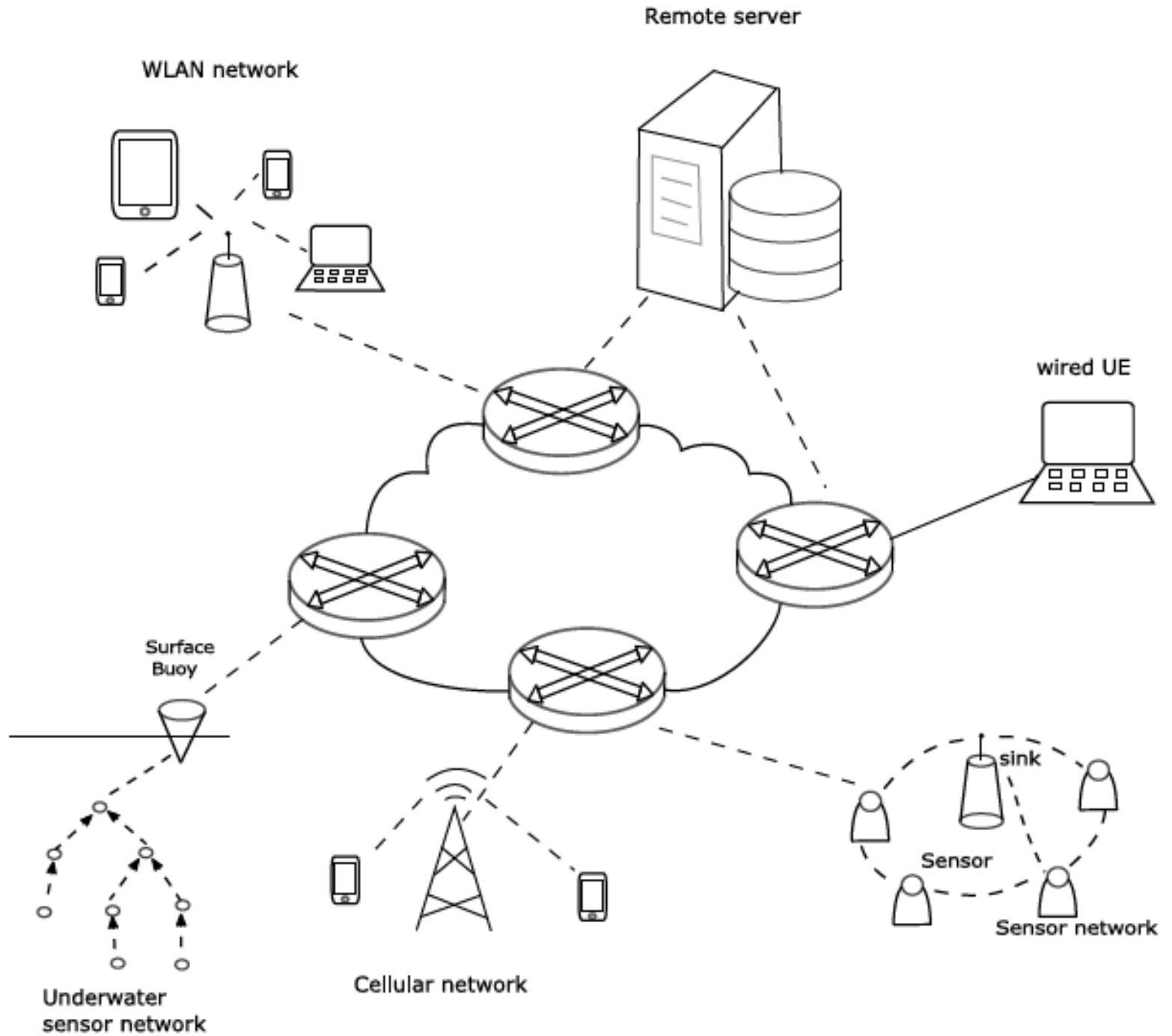
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- Industrial collaborators
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 - Ericsson
 - MIND Music Labs

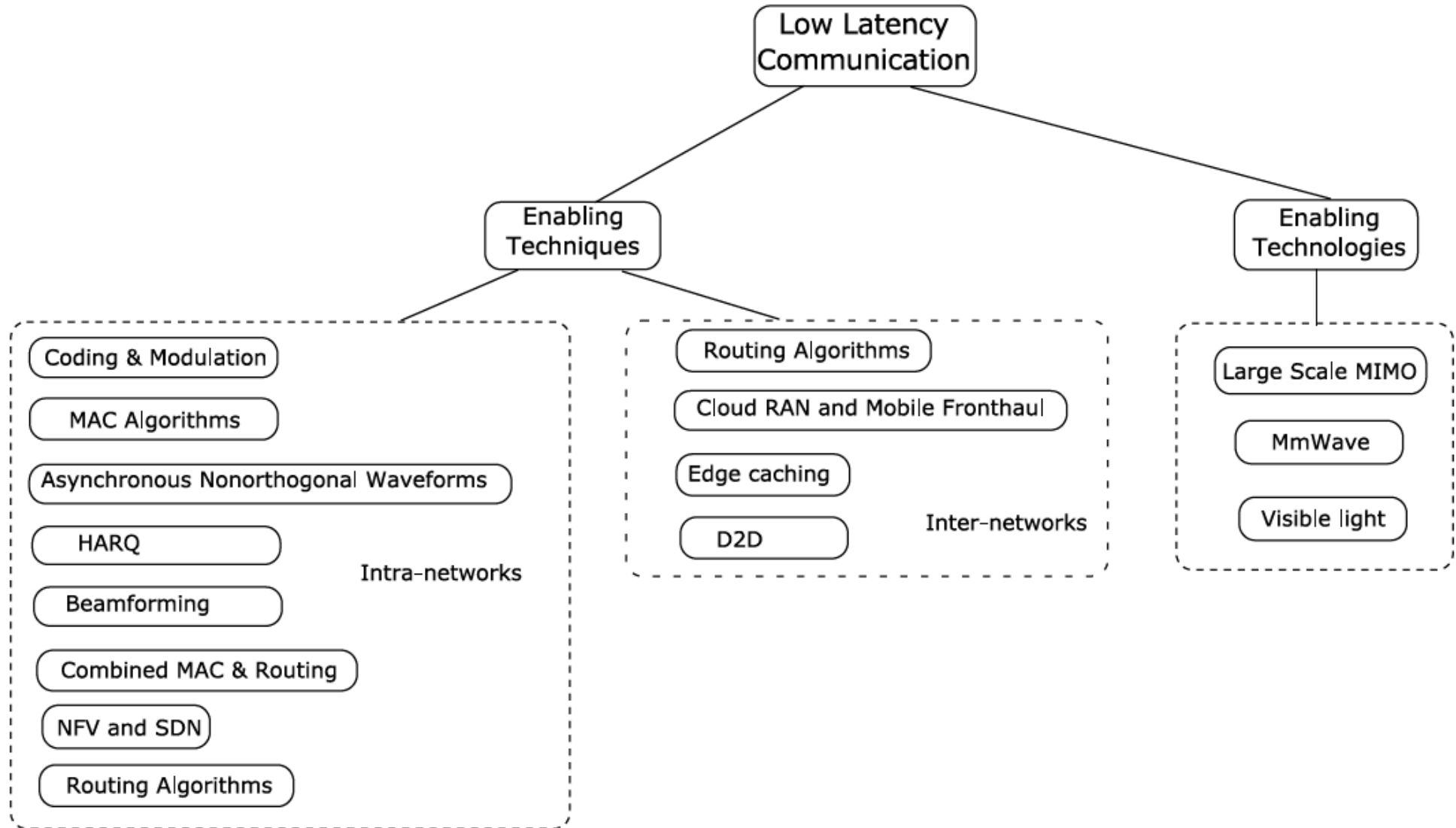
The Work Packages

- WP1: **Networking** [CF; co-participants: AB, BA, CF, PP, Ericsson, ABB]
- WP2: **Security** [PP; co-participants: CF, AB, Ericsson, ABB]
- WP3: **Networked Control** [DD; co-participants: CF, PÖ, ABB]
- WP4: **Robotic** [PÖ; co-participants: CF, DD, ABB]
- WP5: **Coordination and Demonstration** [AB; co-participants: ALL]

WP1: Networking

- **Task 1:** identification of all the components of a high-performance network infrastructure
- **Task 2:** investigation of new distributed routing decision methods capable to minimize the delay by design
- **Task 3:** new dynamic control and management techniques based on optimization theory

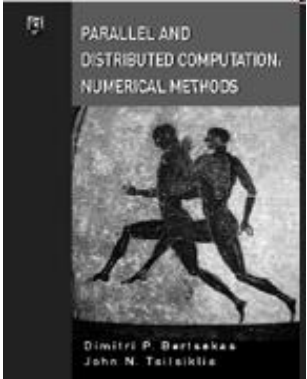






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Optimization theory for network operations



- Network optimization today
 - Parallel and distributed computation, fundamental theory for in-network optimization
 - E.g., control-networks co-design, cross layer networking, Medium Access Controls optimization, routing
- Problems:
 - Need of fast solver algorithms of low complexity
 - Fast changing networks, little time to compute solution
 - Security concerns
- Research vision:
 - Distributed optimizations of low communication cost
 - Privacy and security in the optimizations

WP2: Security

- **Task 1:** Security associations, access control, network and data exchange protection
- **Task 2:** Integrate security and privacy
- **Task 3:** Cater to stringent timing constraints
 - Illustrations based on existing results that can serve as a substrate

Distributed ETC within Touches

- **Task 1:** ETC based on levels of state quantization and communication with very small delay
- **Task 2:** Fundamental tradeoff in delays and minimum information available that will enhance the requirements for the tactile infrastructure
- **Task 3:** Distributed scheduling (temporal logic specifications) aspects arising from the above described tradeoff

WP4 Proposed Research

- **Goal capability:**

- Low latency tele-operation
- with immersive real-time decision support
- provided by cloud computing

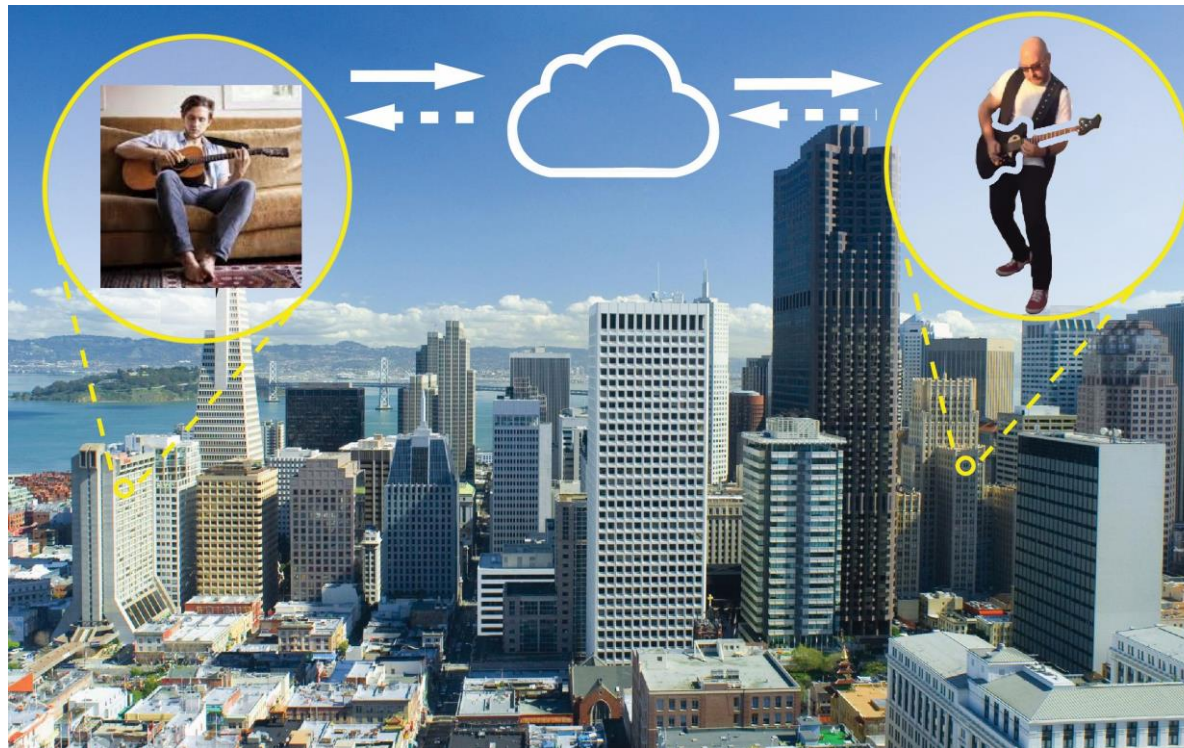
- **Areas to Explore**

- Model Predictive Control (MPC) using real time sensor data and cloud computing
- Monte Carlo Tree Search (MCTS) in the cloud to adapt to actions of other nearby agents

Coordination and Demonstration

- Ericsson will collaborate in the demonstration of the proposed networking methods
- ABB will collaborate in the demonstration of low-latency automation methods
- MIND Music Lab will collaborate in the demonstration of low latency networking for virtual concerts over networks

MIND Music Labs – Internet of Musical Instruments





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