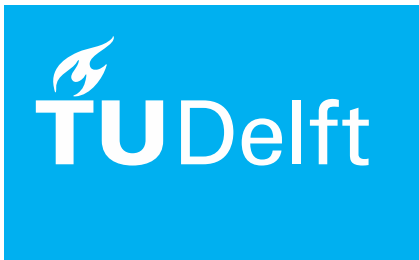


Massivizing Computer Systems = Making Computer Systems Scalable, Reliable, High-Performance, etc., Yet Form an Efficient Ecosystem



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This Is the Golden Age of Computer Systems



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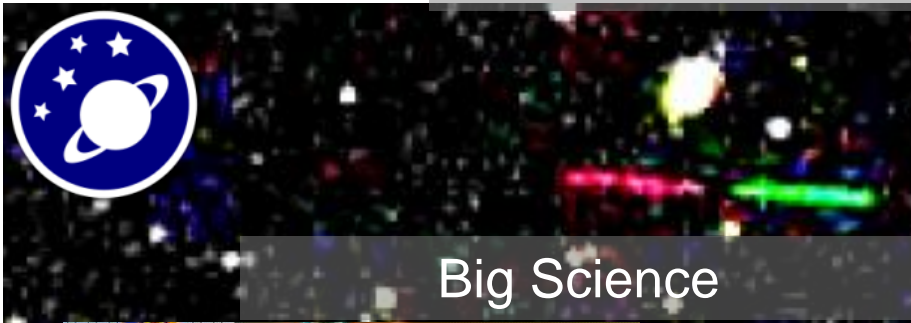
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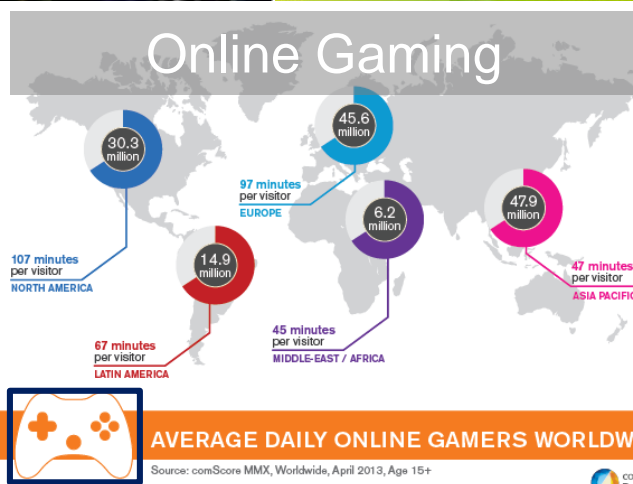
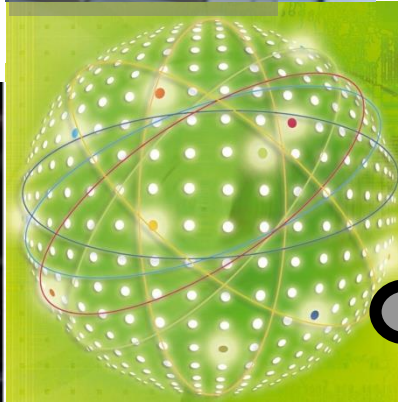
Grid Computing



Grid
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Big Science



Datacenters



Daily Life



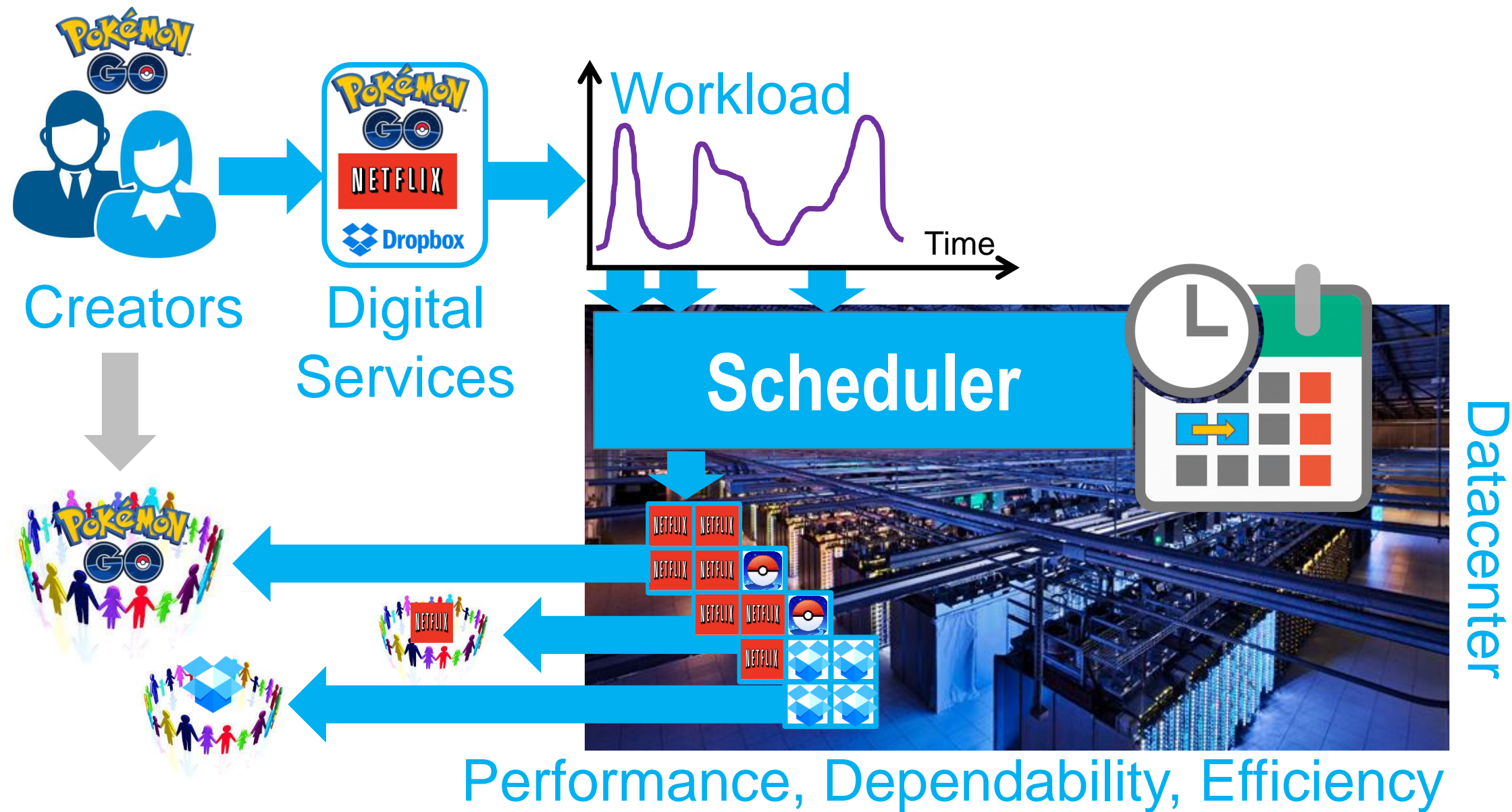
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Do you recognize this App?



Here is how it operates...

Current Technology: Scheduler? Datacenter? Etc.



The Golden Age of Computer Systems

... Yet We Are in a Crisis

Is 56% uptime good? 66%? 96%?

Why does this* happen?

What to do about it*, as operator/customer?
What is efficient? What is the future of it*?

* In modern computer systems, several or all issues may be linked. Thus, looking at any single issue in isolation is no longer sufficient.

This Is the Golden Age of Computer Systems

... Yet We Are in a Crisis

Need to Help Real Users
Choose Their Tools

Need Smarter Schedulers

Need Dependable Systems

Need to Address The
“Data Deluge”

Need to Be Much More
Efficient, But Also to
Educate Our Customers

... but the Current Laws and Theories Were
Built For Isolated Computer Systems

Need to Understand Operational Laws
when Massivizing Computer Systems

Need to Create Theories on how to
Massivize Computer Systems
while Ensuring Wanted Properties

Need to Build, to Massivize Computer
Systems with Wanted Properties

This Is the Golden Age of Computer Systems ... Yet We Are in a Crisis

Massivizing Computer Systems
Tackles These Challenges...

... and Is Relevant, Impactful, and I Believe Inspiring
for Many Young Scientists

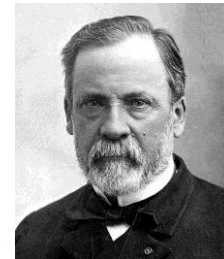
My Story From Now On...

Massivizing Computer Systems

(Problem Found)

In Pasteur's Quadrant+:

- Fundamental research
- Inspired by real use
- Experimental in nature



Fundamental Research in Massivizing Comp. Sys.

Scheduling

Bags-Of-Tasks

Workflows !

Portfolio !

Dependability

Failure Analysis*

Space-/Time-Correlation

Availability-On-Demand

New World+

Workload Modeling

Business-Critical

Online Gaming

Ecosystem Navigator+ Scalability/Elasticity+

Performance Variability

Grid*, Cloud, Big Data

Benchmarking

Longitudinal Studies

Delegated Matchmaking*

POGGI*, AoS

BTWorld*

Auto-Scalers

Heterogeneous Systems

Socially Aware+

Collaborative Downloads*

Groups in Online Gaming

Toxicity Detection*

Interaction Graphs !

Software Artifacts !

Graphalytics, etc.

Data Artifacts !

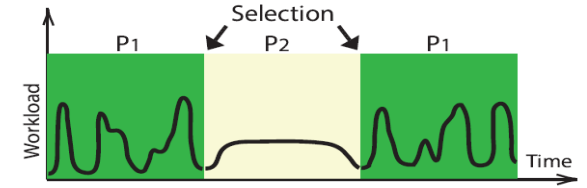
A Distributed Systems Memex*

Fundamental Problems/Research Lines

+ Please ask for a definition

My Contribution So Far ! VIDI-funded

* Award-winning (level of ambition)

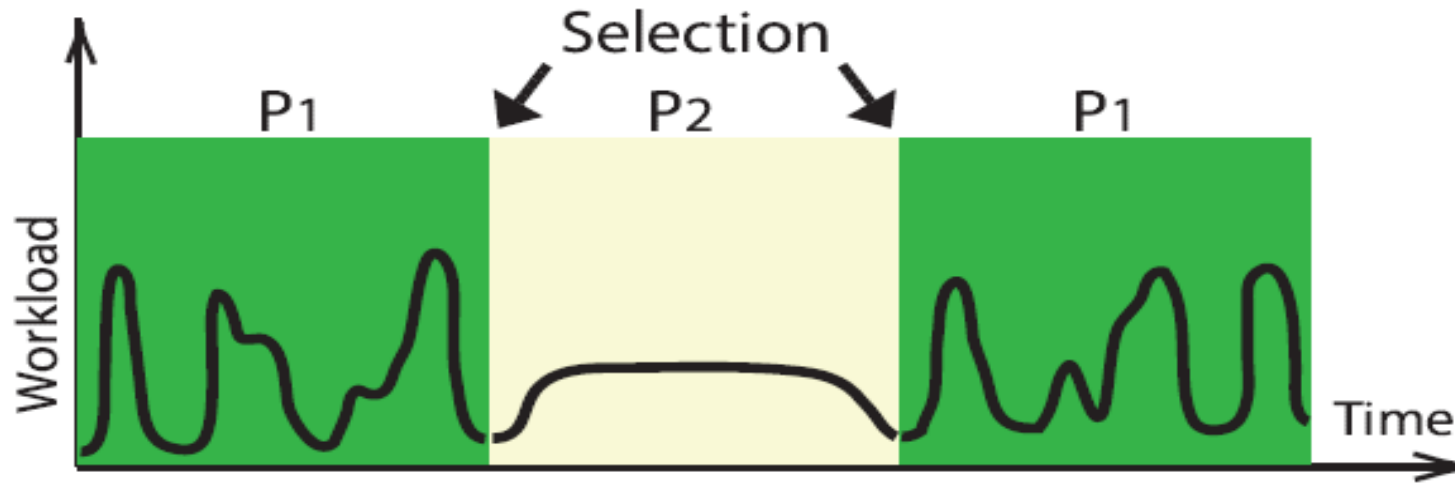


An Example: Portfolio Scheduling for Datacenters (what's in a name)



Portfolio Scheduling, In A Nutshell

- Datacenters cannot work without one or even several schedulers
- Instead of ephemeral, risky schedulers, I propose to



1. Create a set of schedulers
 - Resource provisioning and allocation policies for datacenters
2. Select active scheduler online, apply for the next period, analyze results
(Repeat)



Portfolio Scheduling for Computer Systems

Portfolio Scheduling

Portfolio Creation

Configure schedulers

10s-1,000s schedulers

Self-Reflection on
Portfolio + Scheduler

Reflect and Adapt portfolio

Scheduler Selection +
Explanation

Define new metrics, risk

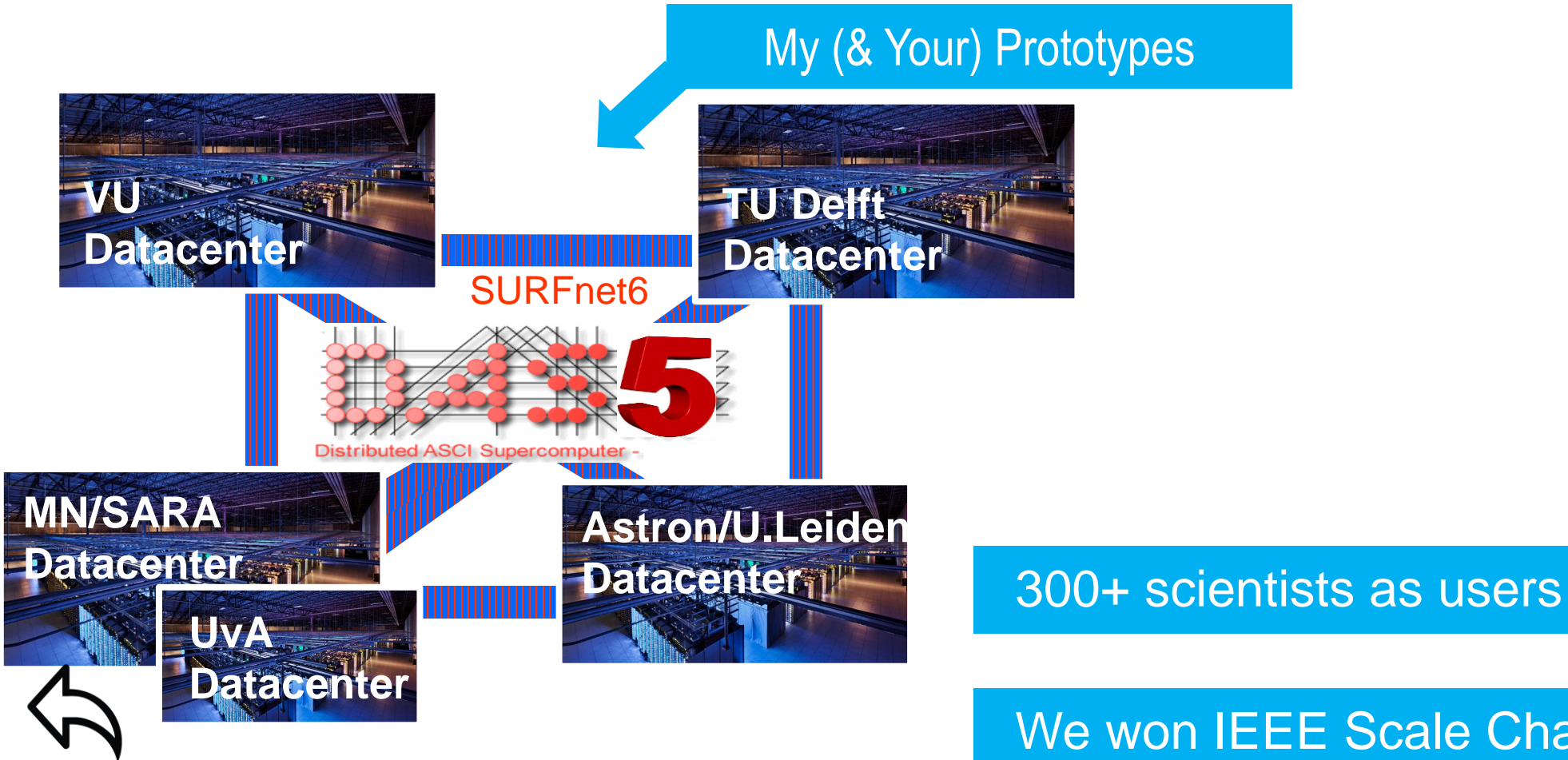
Consider data in the process

Application of
Selected Scheduler

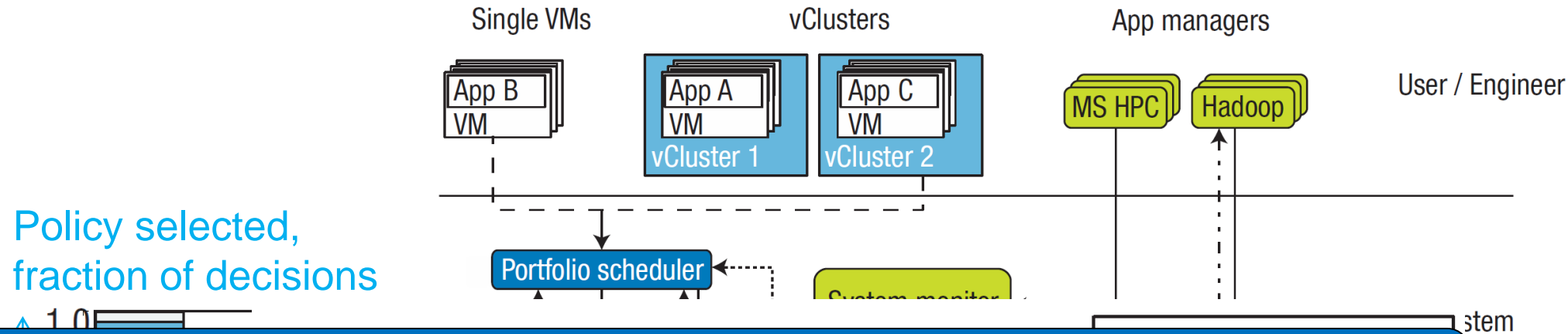
Monitor system for issues

Experimental Research Methodology

My Main Scientific Instrument: DAS-5

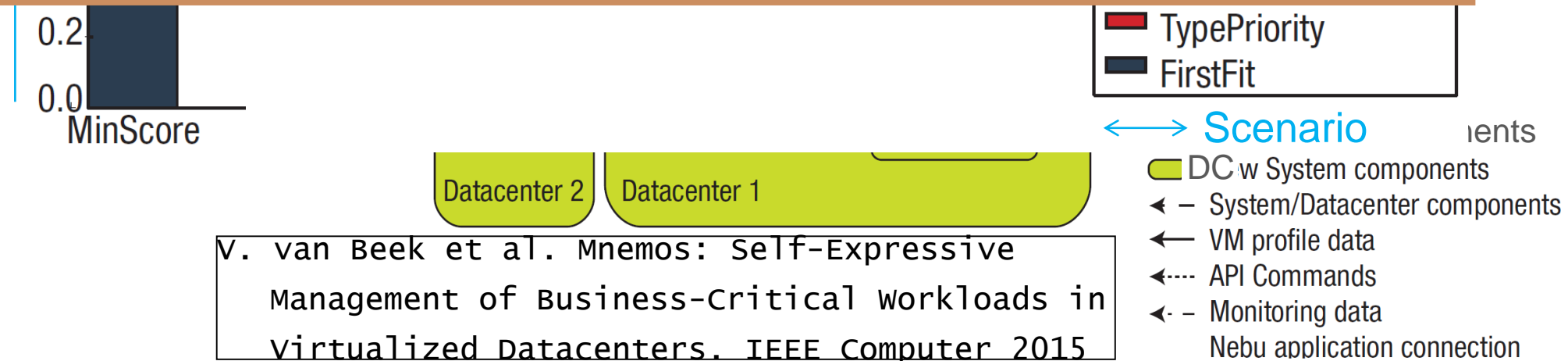


Portfolio Scheduling in Practice: Massive Datacenters



Not performance-related, but: A portfolio scheduler can explain each decision by presenting its decision data.

Q: Can our sysadmin do this? Can we? (Rhetorical)



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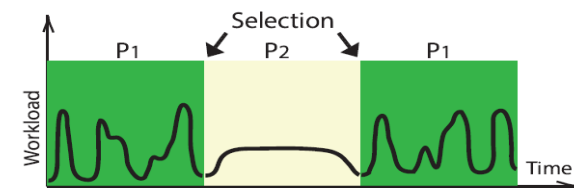
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Portfolio Scheduling for Datacenters
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Take-Home Message: Massivizing Computer Systems

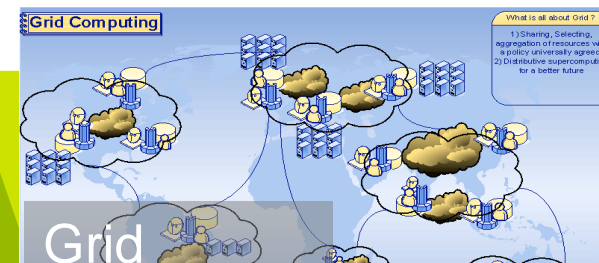
- The Golden Age of Computer Systems →
- My Research is about Massivizing Computer Systems →
 - Research approach: Pasteur's Quadrant →
 - Fundamental research lines →
- An Example: Portfolio Scheduling →
- **General Questions** ← we are here now



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Many Thanks to Many!

(My @large Team at TU Delft)



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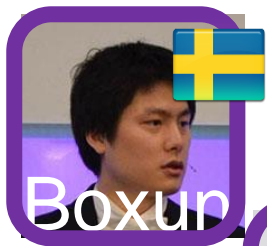
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