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PROF. DR. IR. ALEXANDRU IOSUP

- Education, my courses:
 - > Systems Architecture (BSc)
 - > Distributed Systems, Cloud Computing (MSc)
- Research, 15 years in DtribSys:
 - > Massivizing Computer Systems
- About me:
 - > Worked in 7 countries, NL since 2004
 - > I like to help... I train people in need
 - > VU University Research Chair + Group Chair
 - > NL ICT Researcher of the Year
 - > NL Higher-Education Teacher of the Year
 - > NL Royal Young Academy of Arts & Sciences





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1. Improve the lives of millions through impactful research.



2. Educate the new generation of top-quality, socially responsible professionals.



3. Make innovation available to society and industry.



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ATLARGE RESEARCH, OUR TEAM

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Professor

Assistant Prof.

Teacher

Post-doc

Ph.D. student

Scientist



WE ARE A FRIENDLY, DIVERSE GROUP, OF DIFFERENT RACES AND ETHNICITIES, GENDERS AND SEXUAL PREFERENCES, VIEWS OF CULTURE , POLITICS, AND RELIGION. YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN!

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8 ideas for collaboration

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With further reading

Interrupts welcome

Key for our discussion

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THIS IS THE GOLDEN AGE OF DISTRIBUTED ECOSYSTEMS

Education for Everyone (Online)

Business Services

Cloud Computing

Grid Computing

Big Science

Online Gaming

ABN-AMRO Daily Life

Big Data

Datacenters

losup et al., Massivizing Computer Systems, ICDCS 2018. [\[online\]](#)

My Research: Massivizing Computer Systems

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

Pokémon GO Server Status

REFRESH

Why does this* happen?

What to do about 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 DISTRIBUTED COMPUTER SYSTEMS

Do you recognize this App?

Big Science

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Here is how it operates...

THE CRISIS: IN THIS DIGITAL ECONOMY, FEW CAN BE SUCCESSFUL!

THE COMPLEXITY CHALLENGE

1. Ecosystem ≠ Single System/Stack

We Build and Test Isolated Computer Systems (or Silos, or Narrow Stacks), Yet Everything Works in Ecosystems

<<1% OF BIG DATA BY MATT TURK (2017)
"SW. IS EATING THE WORLD"

HPC+BIG DATA CONVERGENCE
"HARDWARE IS THE NEW SOFTWARE"

THE CURRENT TECHNOLOGY STACK: DATACENTER, SCHEDULER

Creators

Digital Services

Workload

Time

100+ services

Scheduler

(full-/micro-/nano-)

Datacenter

Performance, Dependability, Efficiency

THE CRISIS: IN THIS DIGITAL ECONOMY, FEW CAN BE SUCCESSFUL!

PERFORMANCE, DEPENDABILITY, AND OTHER NON-FUNCTIONAL CHALLENGES

2. Non-functional Challenges Not Met

We Cannot Even Maintain the Ecosystems we Have Built (and Tested, and Validated)

Google goes dark for 2 minutes, kills 40% of world's net traffic

Systemwide outage knocks every service offline

THE CRISIS: IN THIS DIGITAL ECONOMY, FEW CAN BE SUCCESSFUL!

THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT CHALLENGE

Based on Jav Walker's recent TED talk

3. Need To Be Much More Efficient,

4. Need to Also Be Ethical, and to Educate Our Clients

PSY Gangnam consumed ~500GWh

= more than entire countries* in a year (*41 countries),

= over 50MW of 24/7/365 diesel, 135M liters of oil,

= 100,000 cars running for a year, ...

Source: Ian Bitterlin and Jon Summers, UoL, UK, Jul 2013.
Note: Psy has >3.5 billion views (last update, May 2018).

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THIS IS THE GOLDEN AGE OF DISTRIBUTED COMPUTER SYSTEMS

YET WE ARE IN A CRISIS

WHICH WE & YOU CAN HELP SOLVE!

Massivizing Computer Systems
Tackles The Challenges of
Distributed Systems and Ecosystems...

... and Is Relevant, Impactful, and
Inspiring for Many Young Scientists and Engineers

OUR WAY FOR DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS

THE CRISIS: IN THIS DIGITAL ECONOMY, FEW CAN BE SUCCESSFUL!

THE WORKFORCE GAP, IN THE NETHERLANDS & IN EUROPE

EU - Main Forecast Scenario

amazon facebook 9,300,000

Google 8,800,000

Science 8,800,000

IBM 8,800,000

Shell 8,800,000

Netflix 8,800,000

SAP 8,800,000

Oracle 8,800,000

Microsoft 8,800,000

EU: 910k

NL: 50k

5. A Dire Peopleware Problem

Does not start at 0!

Source: a Skills for Jobs in Europe, 2014

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YET WE ARE IN A CRISIS – 5 CORE CHALLENGES

1. Ecosystem ≠ 1 System/Stack

But the Laws and Theories are made for Isolated Computer Systems (or Silos, or Narrow Stacks)

TRADITIONAL DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS COURSES TEACH YOU ALL ABOUT THIS

2. Need to Understand How to Maintain Ecosystems

3. Need to Understand How to Make Ecosystems Automated, Efficient (Smarter)

4. Beyond Tech: How to Be Ethical, Socially Useful?

5. Need to Address the Peopleware Problems

THIS IS THE MODERN SCIENCE OF DISTRIBUTED ECOSYSTEMS

MASSIVIZING COMPUTER SYSTEMS IN A NUTSHELL

WHO? SCIENTISTS, ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS, MANAGERS, ETC.

WHAT? MAIN GOAL

UNDERSTAND AND CONTROL DISTRIBUTED ECOSYSTEMS, TO TURN THEM INTO EFFICIENT, AUTOMATED UTILITIES

HOW? CENTRAL PARADIGM

ECOSYSTEM OPERATION AND CHARACTERISTICS DERIVE NON-TRIVIALY FROM ITS SYSTEMS AND USERS (RECURSIVELY)

WHICH APPROACH?

MODERN PROBLEM-SOLVING + DISTRIBUTED (ECO)SYSTEMS

Iosup et al., Massivizing Computer Systems, ICDCS 2018. [Online]

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MODERN PROBLEM-SOLVING, MEANINGFUL DISCOVERY

MASSIVIZING COMPUTER SYSTEMS IN A NUTSHELL

science + engineering + design

THE COMPUTER SYSTEMS TRIPLET

Iosup et al., ICDCS '18

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EXPERIMENTAL METHODS OF DISCOVERY

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO VALIDATE: WE DRINK OUR OWN CHAMPAGNE (IN VIVO)!

Our Prototypes (*in physico/in vitro*)

VU Datacenter

TU Delft Datacenter

MN/SARA Datacenter

UvA Datacenter

Astron/U.Leiden Datacenter

Laurens Versluis

Georgios Andreadis

Fabian Mastebroek

Acheendra

Maria Voinea

Alexey Ilyushkin

amazon web services

We also use clouds

+ OpenDC

And simulators (*in silico*)

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HOW CAN WE COLLABORATE? 8* IDEAS FOR TODAY

DISCUSSION ACROSS DISTRIB. SYS X PERF. ENG. X SW. ENG.

1> Find together phenomena in ecosystems

2> Map together artifacts and concepts

3> Manage together requirement engineering and other DevOp processes

4> Automate together testing, validation, benchmarking

5> Localize together faults/issues, identify problems, propose repairs

6> Process event/data streams using serverless and big data

7> Manage risks in distributed ecosystems (clouds, big data, edge/IoT, etc.)

8> Establish the bases of reproducibility, validation, and open science

SUGGESTION FOR COLLABORATION

* 8 is a round number in my world

Iosup et al., Massivizing Computer Systems, ICDCS 2018. [\[Online\]](#)

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NO MORE ARTIFICIAL BOUNDARIES → UNIQUE COLLABORATION

MASSIVIZING COMPUTER SYSTEMS IN A NUTSHELL

Autonomy, Consistency, Composability, Elasticity, etc.

Requirements, APIs, DevOps, Architecture and Patterns, etc.

Software Engineering

Performance, Efficiency, DevOps, Monitoring, Measurement, etc.

Performance Engineering

Distributed Systems and Ecosystems

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DISCOVERY = LARGE-SCALE, LONG-TERM STUDY

UNCOVERING THE MYSTERIES OF OUR PHYSICAL UNIVERSE

GEORGE SMOOT NOBEL PRIZE 2006

SKA FUNDING: 500+ FTE, EUR 1.5B

Radio

Microwave

Infrared

Visible

Ultraviolet

X-Ray

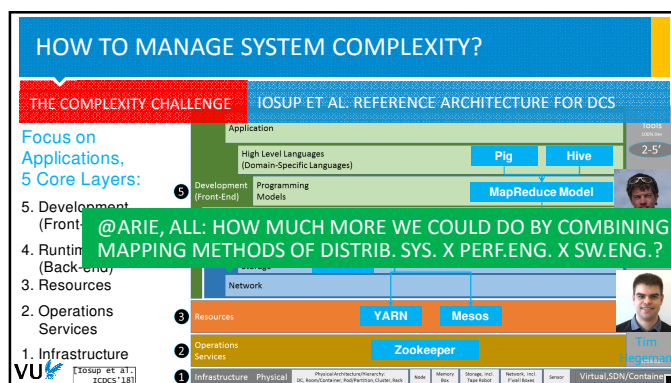
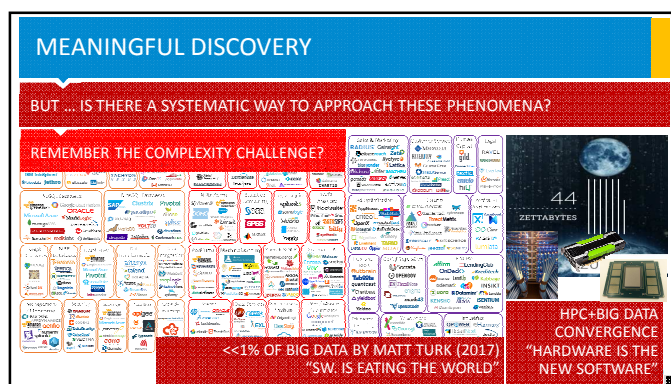
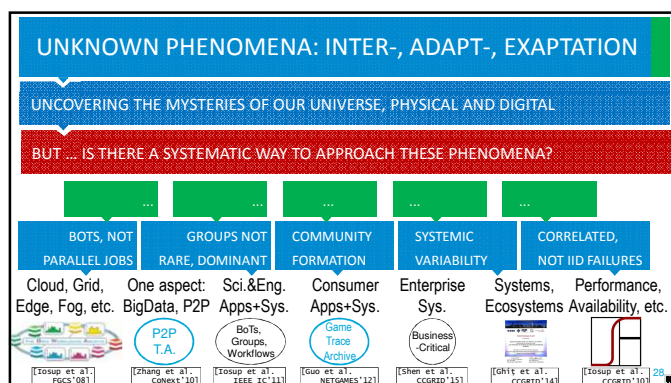
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HOW TO MANAGE SYSTEM COMPLEXITY?

THE COMPLEXITY CHALLENGE

IOSUP ET AL. REFERENCE ARCHITECTURE FOR DCS

ANDREADIS ET AL. REFERENCE ARCHITECTURE FOR SCHEDULERS IN DCS

Georgios Andreadis

@ERIC KNAUSS, ALL: HOW TO MANAGE REQ. ENG. ACROSS DISTRIB. SYS. X PERF.ENG. X SW.ENG.?

Development (Front-End) Programming Models Runtime

Network Resources Operations Services

YARN ZooKeeper

Infrastructure Physical

SERVERLESS STREAMING WORKFLOWS

DESIGNING SERVERLESS ARCHITECTURES, APIS, AND SCHEDULERS

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NATF

Parser (C++/UI)

Parser Function

@ASTERIOS, ALL: STREAM PROCESSING USING SERVERLESS + BIG DATA, W/ METHODS ACROSS DISTRIB. SYS. X PERF.ENG. X SW.ENG.?

The first serverless workflow management engine, now part of the Serverless ecosystem at Fission.io

Core Function Server API

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AUTOMATED TESTING FOR DISTRIBUTED ECOSYSTEMS?

ENGINEERING LDBC GRAPHALYTICS: BENCHMARKING LEADING TO DISCOVERY

LDBC The graph & RDF benchmark reference

ORACLE intel

Community endorsed:

@BENOIT BAUDRY, ALL: MEANINGFUL TESTING, AUTOMATED W/ METHODS ACROSS DISTRIB. SYS. X PERF.ENG. X SW.ENG.?

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> Diverse experiments, representative for practice

> Renewal process to keep the workload relevant

> Enables comparison of many platforms, community-driven and industrial

> Global Competition

Performance: orders of magnitude difference due to each of platform, algorithm, dataset, and hardware

https://graphalytics.org

DYNAMIC SCHEDULING TO MANAGE OPERATIONAL RISK

DESIGNING PORTFOLIO SCHEDULERS FOR DATACENTERS, BIG DATA STACKS, ETC.

Portfolio Creation

Scheduler Selection + Explanation

@MARIËLLE, ALL: RISK MANAGEMENT FOR DISTRIBUTED ECOSYSTEMS, W/ METHODS ACROSS DISTRIB. SYS. X PERF.ENG. X SW.ENG.?

Self-Reflection on Portfolio + Scheduler

Reflect and Adapt portfolio

Application of Selected Scheduler

Monitor system for issues

LOCALIZATION OF BOTTLENECKS → PERF. ISSUES

ENGINEERING LDBC GRAPHALYTICS: MODELING LEADS TO DISCOVERY

LDBC The graph & RDF benchmark reference

Graphalytics Grade10:

@CLAIRE LE GOUES, ALL: MEANINGFUL LOCALIZATION OF FAULTS/ISSUES, FOR DISTRIB. SYS. X PERF.ENG. X SW.ENG.?

System under test

Execution model

Event logging

Monitoring (sampling)

Resource attribution

Bottleneck detection

Part. issue identification

Multi-stage process, works in ecosystem

Always bottleneck

Can explain causes:

+ Message queue full

+ Garbage collector

+ CPU

+ Others

REPRODUCIBILITY AND VALIDATION OF DISCOVERY

A PERENNIALY TOUGH PROBLEM, IN COMPUTING BUT ALSO IN ALL OTHER SCIENCES

METHODOLOGY

SHARED PRINCIPLES, METHODS, ETC. ... BUT WHERE*?!

OP

@ARIE, ALL: REPRODUCIBILITY, VALIDATION, OPEN SCIENCE, W/ METHODS ACROSS DISTRIB. SYS. X PERF.ENG. X SW.ENG.?

REPORTING & DISSEMINATION


PROTOCOL AND STUDY CHECKLISTS, PRE-REGISTRATION OF STUDY AND CONFLICTS-OF-INTEREST ... BUT HOW TO START?!

REPRODUCIBILITY

MODERN ECOSYSTEMS ARE NOT STABLE, PREDICTABLE...

* Conferences do not accept such material... except when they do...

Runar et al., A MANIFESTO FOR REPRODUCIBLE SCIENCE, NATURE HUMAN BEHAVIOUR, JAN 2017. (pdf)



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Many thanks to 200+ collaborators


• Golden Age of Distributed Ecosystems ... Yet a crisis is looming

• Massivizing Computer Systems means modern distributed systems

- Always Ecosystems
- Methods to address key challenges in science, design, and engineering

• Much left to do, as we are merely beginning ...

- You can help!




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Contact Me or Our Team



Collaboration or discussion about Massivizing Computer Systems:
Understanding, designing, deploying, tuning, analyzing, benchmarking distributed systems and ecosystems, including cloud computing and big data systems. Other topics in large-scale distributed systems and performance engineering are welcome.


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