Presentation

 An application-specific protocol architecture for wireless microsensor networks

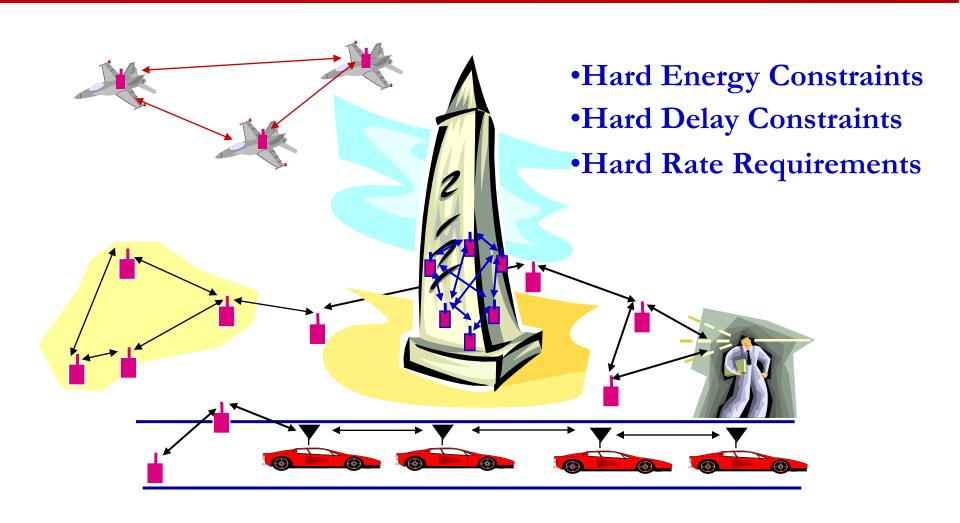
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Sensor Network Applications and In-Network Processing

- Overview of sensor network applications
- Technology thrusts
- Cross-layer design of sensor network protocols
- Cooperative compression
- Distributed sensing, communications, and control

Wireless Sensor Networks Data Collection and Distributed Control



Application Domains

- Home networking: Smart appliances, home security, smart floors, smart buildings
- Automotive: Diagnostics, occupant safety, collision avoidance
- Industrial automation: Factory automation, hazardous material control
- Traffic management: Flow monitoring, collision avoidance
- Security: Building/office security, equipment tagging, homeland security
- Environmental monitoring: Habitat monitoring, seismic activity, local/global environmental trends, agricultural

Wireless Sensor Networks

- Revolutionary technology.
- Hard energy, rate, or delay constraints change fundamental design principles
- Breakthroughs in devices, circuits, communications, networking, signal processing and crosslayer design needed.
- Rich design space for many industrial and commercial applications.

Technology Thrusts

Analog Circuits

- Ultra low power
- On-chip sensor
- Efficient On/Off
- MEMS
- Miniaturized size
- Packaging tech.
- Low-cost imaging

Networking

- Self-configuration
- Scalable
- Multi-network comm.
- Distributed routing and scheduling

System-on-Chip

• Integration of sensing, data processing, and communication in a single, portable, disposable device

Wireless Sensor Networks



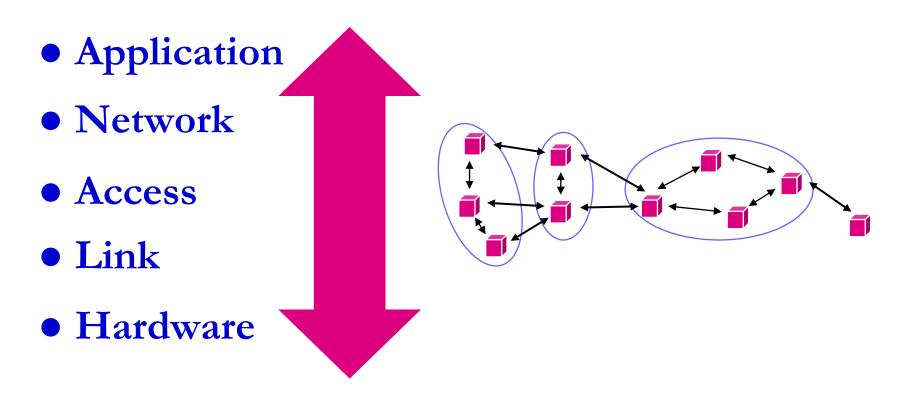
Wireless

- Multi-hop routing
- Energy-efficiency
- Very low duty cycle
- Efficient MAC
- Cooperative Comm.

Data Processing

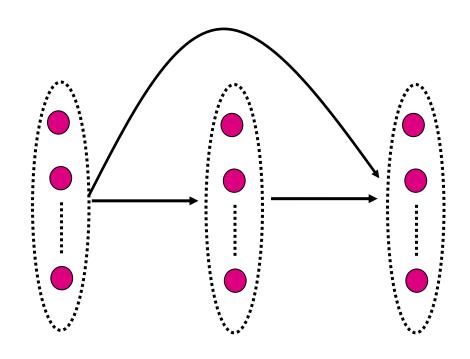
- Distributed
- Sensor array proc.
- Collaborative detection/accuracy improvement
- Data fusion

Crosslayer Protocol Design in Sensor Networks



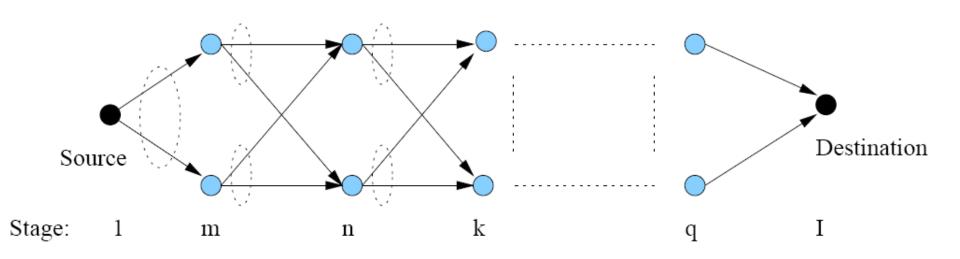
Protocols should be tailored to the application requirements and constraints of the sensor network

Cross-Layer Design with Cooperation



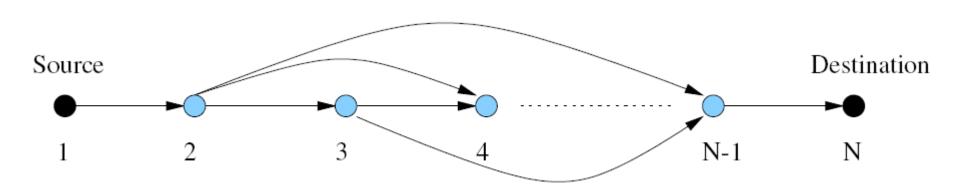
Multihop Routing among Clusters

Double String Topology with Alamouti Cooperation



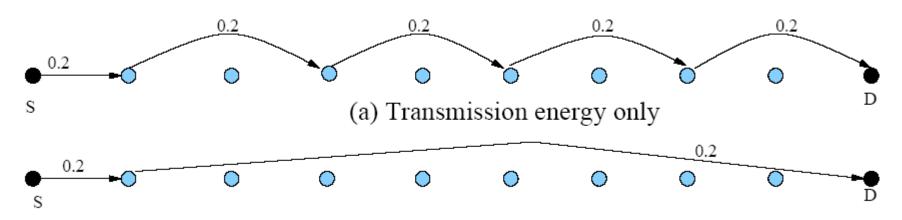
- Alamouti 2x1 diversity coding scheme
 - At layer j, node i acts as ith antenna
- Synchronization required
- Local information exchange not required

Equivalent Network with Super Nodes



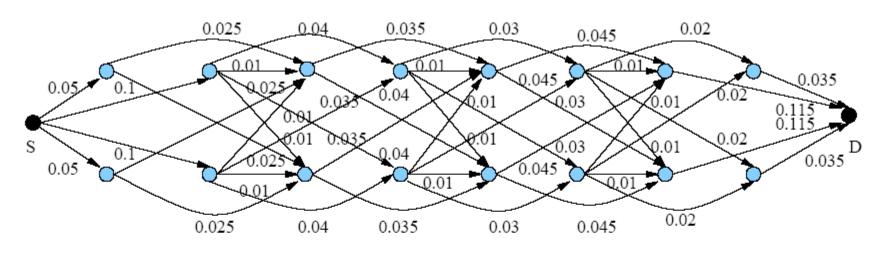
- Each super node is a pair of cooperating nodes
- We optimize:
 - link layer design (constellation size b_{ij})
 - MAC (transmission time t_{ii})
 - Routing (which hops to use)

Minimum-energy Routing (cooperative)

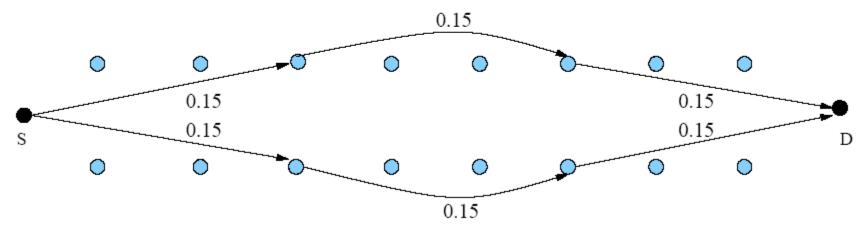


(b) Transmission energy + Circuit processing energy

Minimum-energy Routing (non-cooperative)



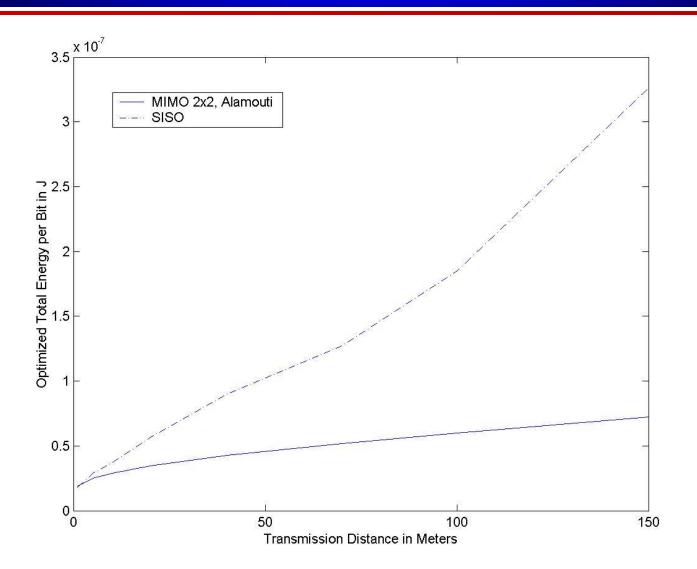
(a) Transmission energy only



(b) Transmission energy + Circuit processing energy

MIMO v.s. SISO

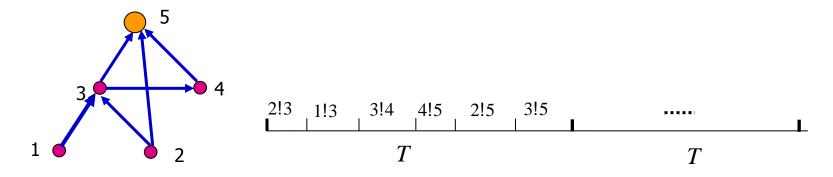
(Constellation Optimized)



Delay/Energy Tradeoff

- Packet Delay: transmission delay + deterministic queuing delay
- Different ordering of t_{ij} 's results in different delay performance
- Define the scheduling delay as total time needed for sink node to receive packets from all nodes
- There is fundamental tradeoff between the scheduling delay and total energy consumption

Minimum Delay Scheduling



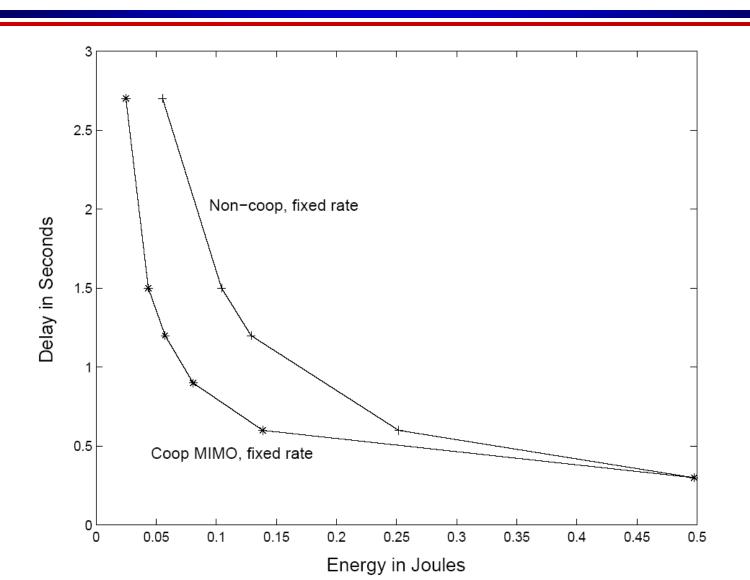
- The minimum value for scheduling delay is T (among all the energy-minimizing schedules): $T = \sum t_{ij}$
- Sufficient condition for minimum delay: at each node the outgoing links are scheduled after the incoming links
- An algorithm to achieve the sufficient condition exists for a loop-free network with a single hub node
- An minimum-delay schedule for the example: {2!3, 1!3, 3!4, 4!5, 2!5, 3!5}

Energy-Delay Optimization

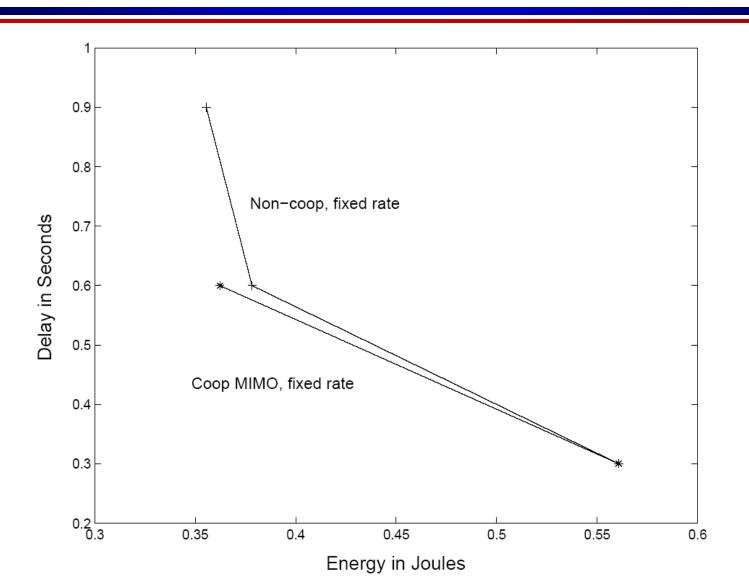
 Minimize weighted sum of scheduling delay and energy

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{M}_i} t_{ij} + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{M}_i} \epsilon_{ij}$$

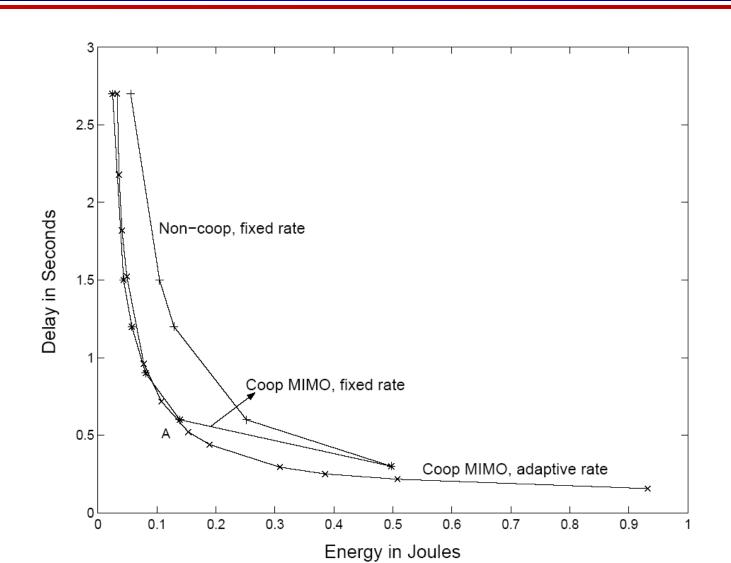
Transmission Energy vs. Delay



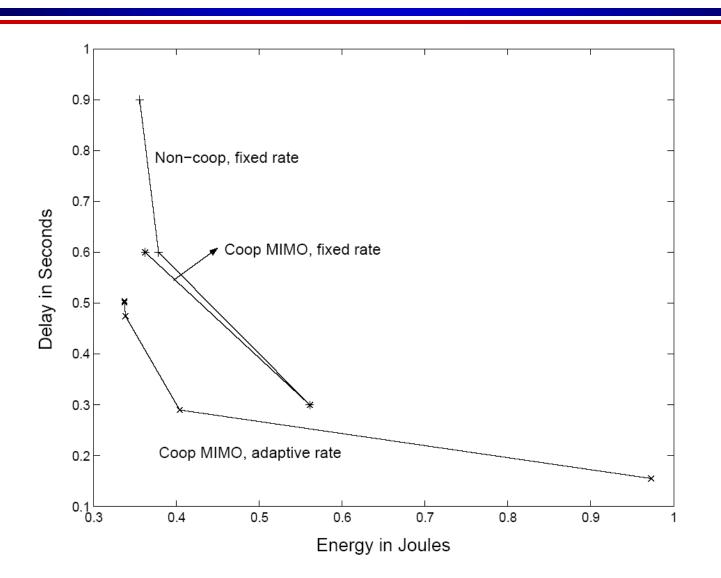
Total Energy vs. Delay



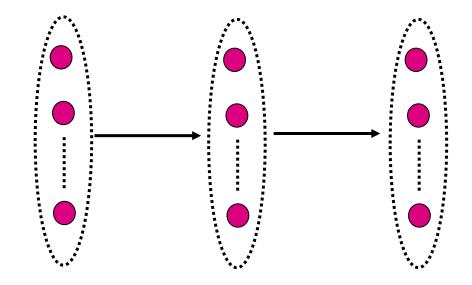
Transmission Energy vs. Delay (with rate adaptation)



Total Energy vs. Delay (with rate adaptation)

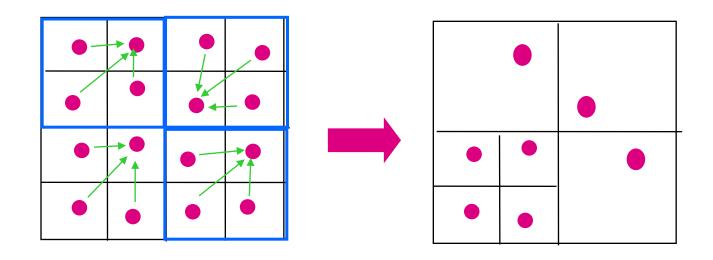


Cooperative Compression



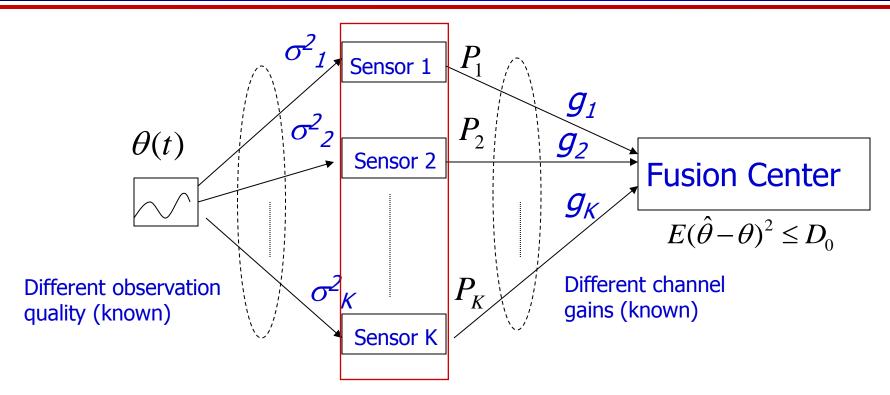
- Source data correlated in space and time
- Nodes should cooperate in compression as well as communication and routing
 - Joint source/channel/network coding

Cooperative Compression and Cross-Layer Design



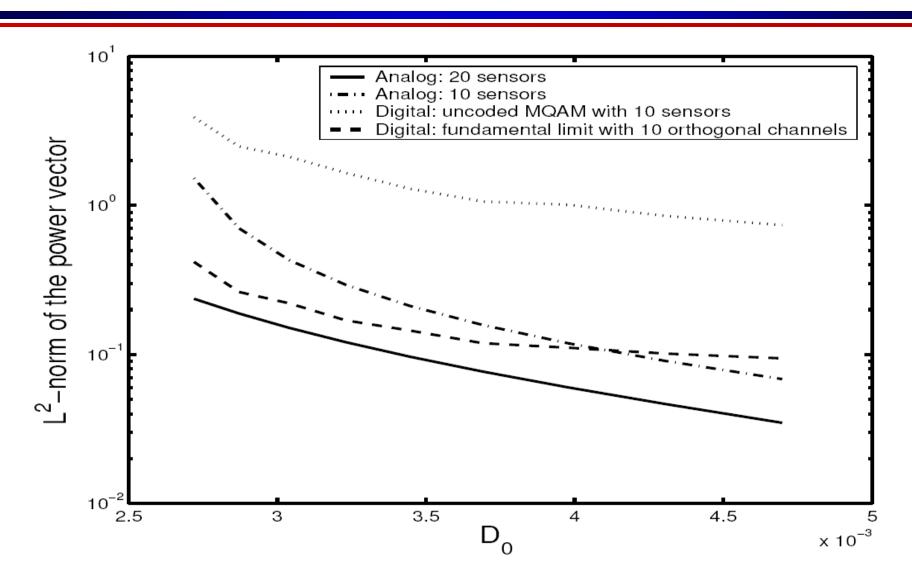
- Intelligent local processing can save power and improve centralized processing
- Local processing also affects MAC and routing protocols

Energy-efficient estimation



- We know little about optimizing this system
 - Analog versus digital
 - Analog techniques (compression, multiple access)
 - Should sensors cooperate in compression/transmission
 - Transmit power optimization

Digital vs. Analog

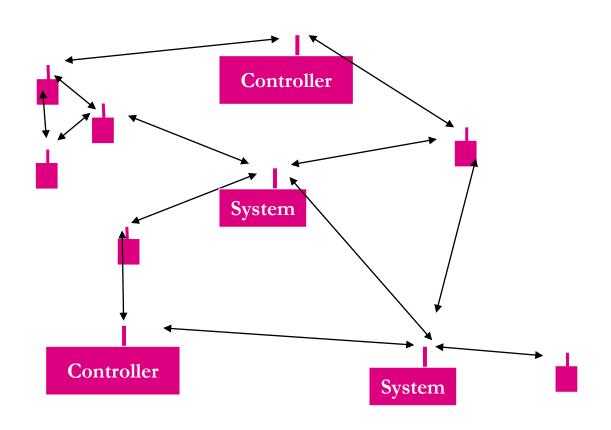


Key Message

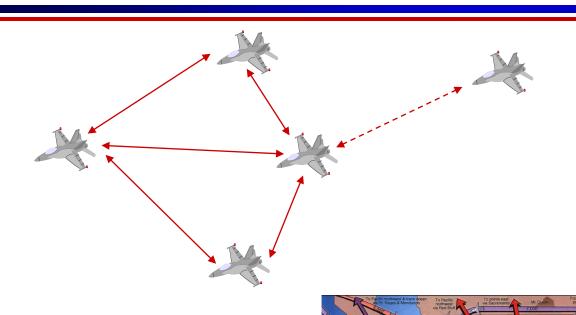
Cross-layer design imposes tradeoffs between rate, power/energy, and delay

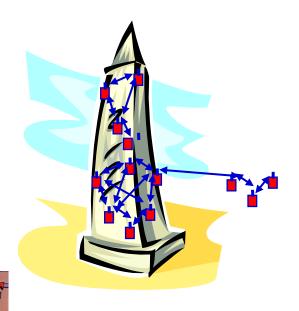
The tradeoff implications for sensor networks and distributed control is poorly understood

Distributed Sensing, Communications, and Control



Applications

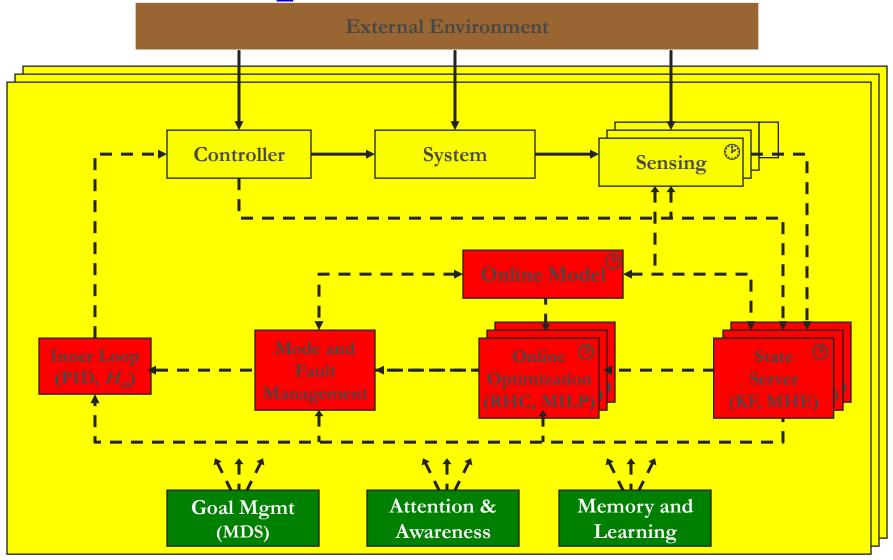




Joint Design of Control and Communications

- Generally apply different design principles
 - Control requires fast, accurate, and reliable feedback.
 - Networks introduce delay and loss for a given rate.
- Sensors must collect data quickly and efficiently
- The controllers must be robust and adaptive to random delays and packet losses.
 - Control design today is highly sensitive to loss and delay
- The networks must be designed with control performance as the design objective.
 - Network design tradeoffs (throughput, delay, loss) become implicit in the control performance index
 - This complicates network optimization

A Proposed Architecture



Potential Pieces of the Puzzle

- Local autonomy
 - Subsystems can operate in absence of global data
- Estimation, prediction, and planning
 - Exploit rich set of existing tools
- Command buffering and prefetching
 - Increases tolerance to data latency and loss
- Time stamps and delay-adaptive control
- Modular design
 - Supervisory control via models, cost functions, modes

Summary

- Cross layer design especially effective in sensor networks.
- Node cooperation can include cooperative compression
 - Cooperative gains depend on network topology and application.
- Cross layer design must optimize for application
 - Requires interdisciplinary understanding, e.g. for control