

# Schedule Integration for Time-Triggered Systems

## Motivation

- Automotive software
- Automotive architectures
- Integration Challenge

## Time-triggered automotive systems

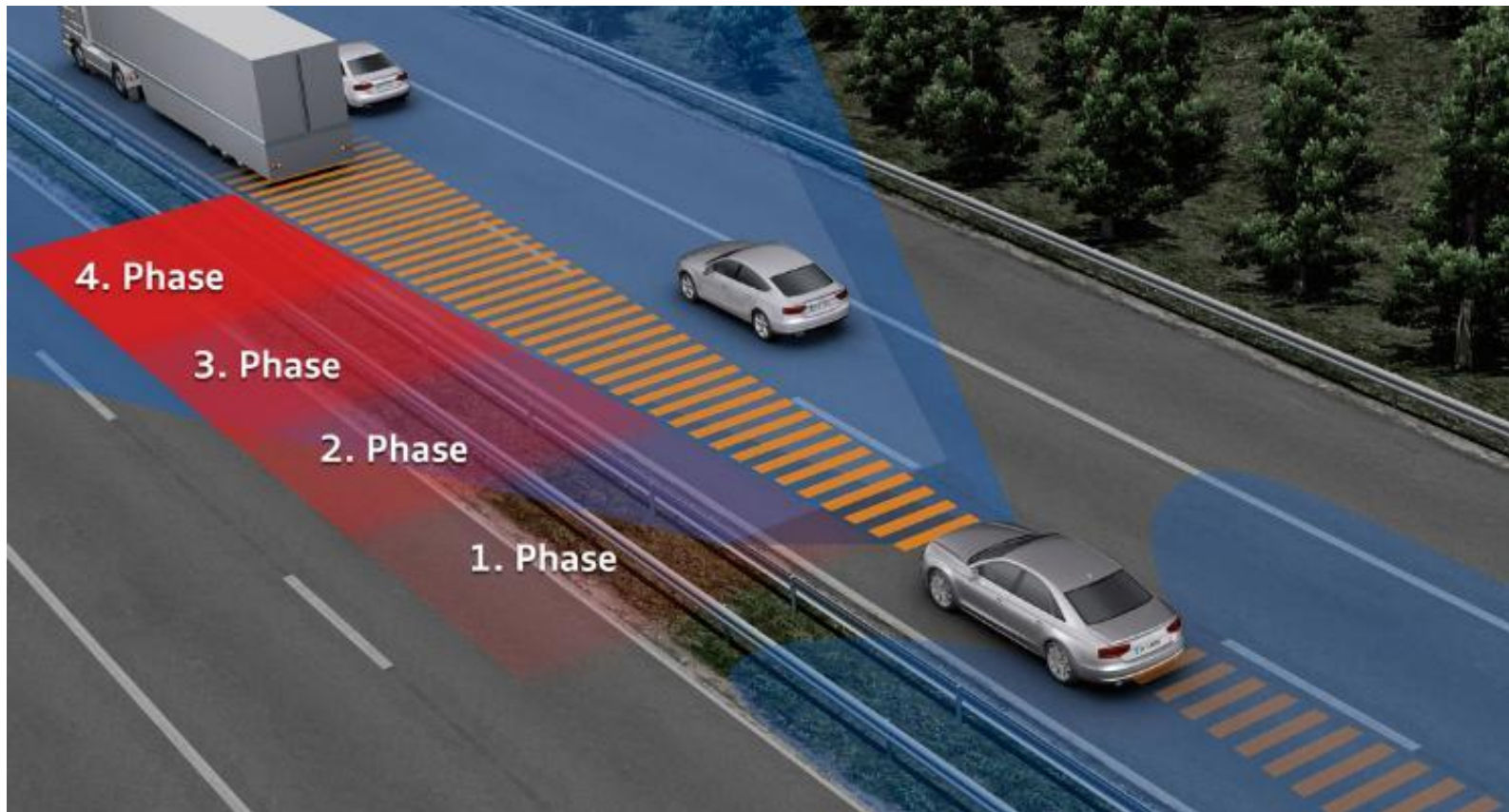
- Synchronization
- Schedule Integration
- FlexRay

## ILP scheduling approach

## Case study & Scalability

## Conclusion

# Example: Adaptive Cruise Control



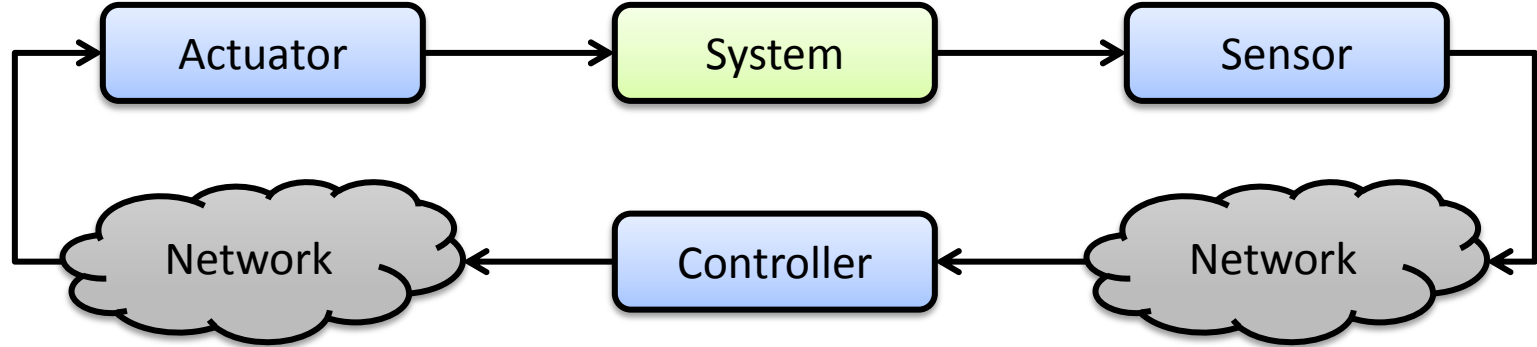
(AUDI AG, ACC)

# Distributed Control System

Speed Adjustment

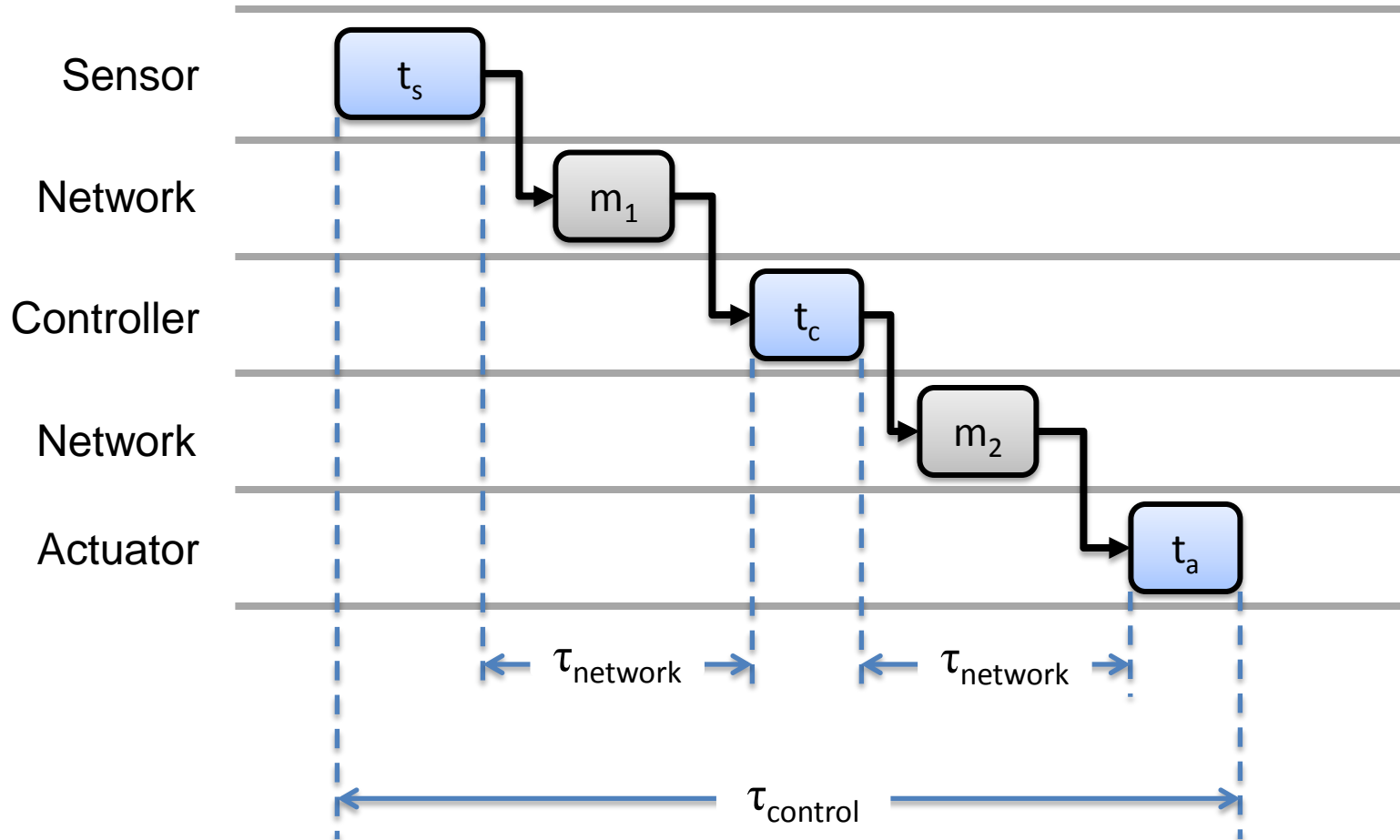


Radar

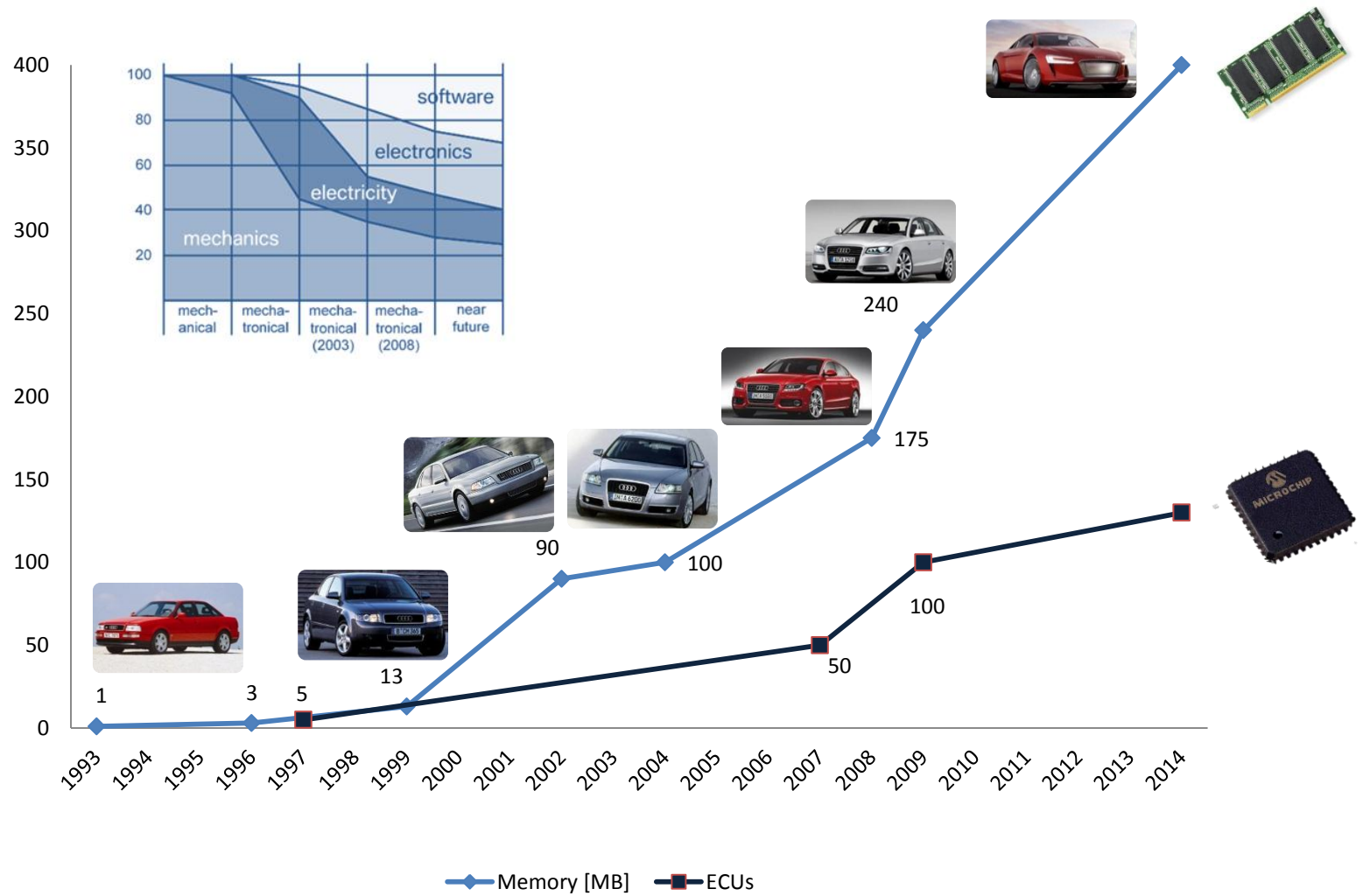


ACC ECU

# Delay Requirements



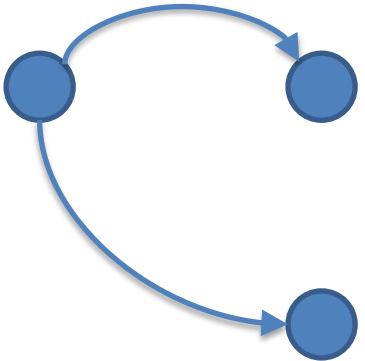
# Increasing Complexity in Automotive Electronics



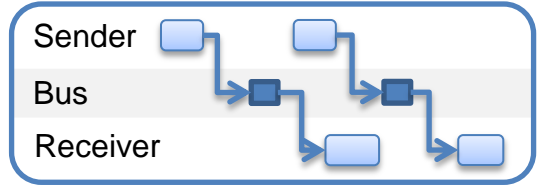
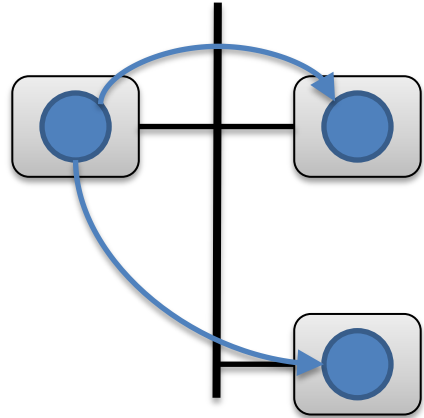
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 BMW Group, FTF 2010 Orlando - Energy Saving Strategies in Future Automotive E/E Architectures

# Integration Challenge

Application:

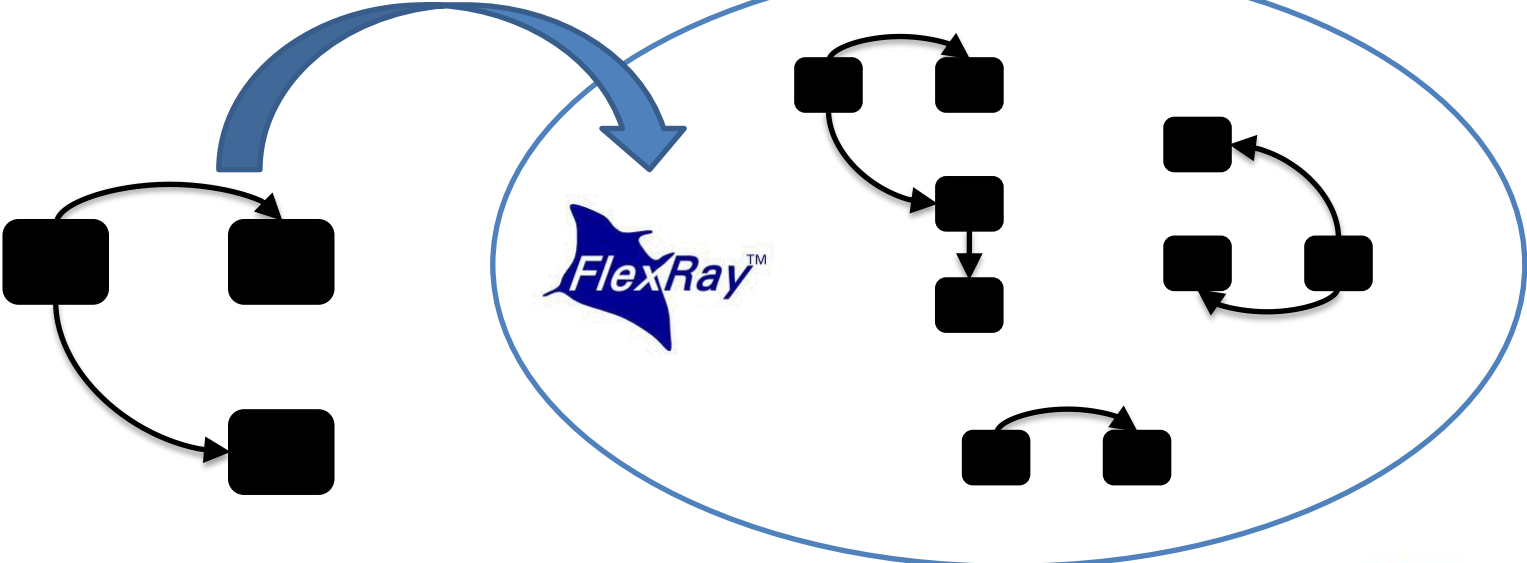


Implementation:



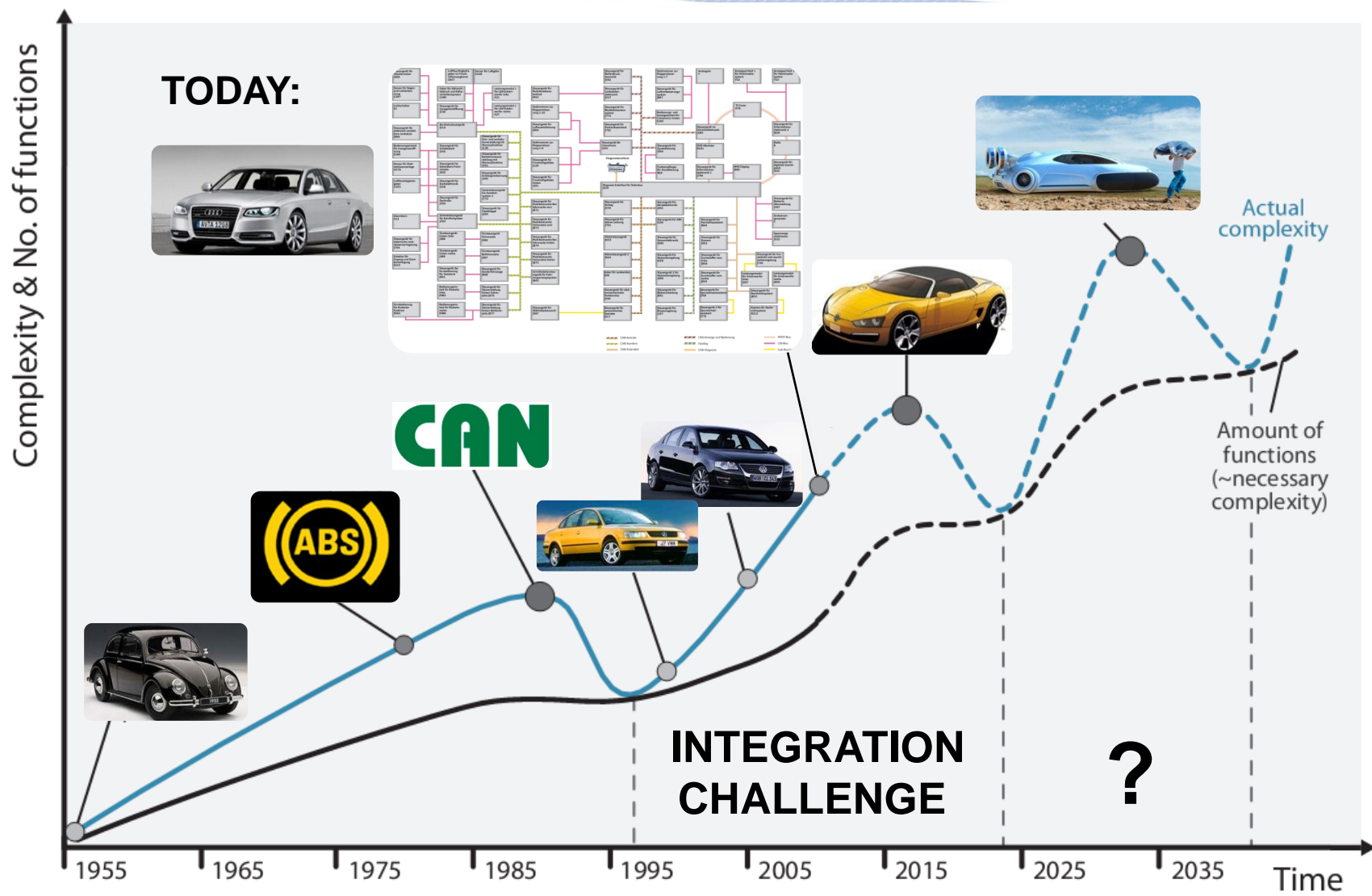
Mapping, Configuration and Schedule

Integration:



- Defined by:
- Message
  - Timing
  - Deadline

# Rising Gap between Required and Actual System Complexity

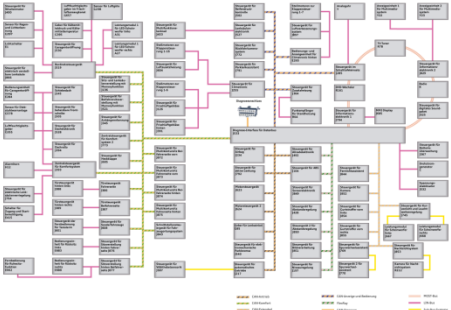


Source: The Software Car: Information and Communication Technology (ICT) as an Engine for the Electromobility of the Future – ForTISS GmbH



# Paradigm Shift

## Event-triggered systems



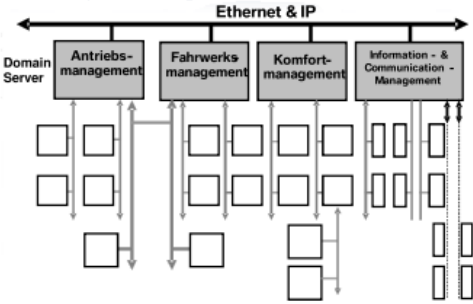
# CAN

utilization  
flexibility

(real-time properties  
need to be verified)



## Time-triggered systems



# Ethernet (PTP)

predictability

(real-time properties are guaranteed)

# Introduction: Asynchronous vs. Synchronous

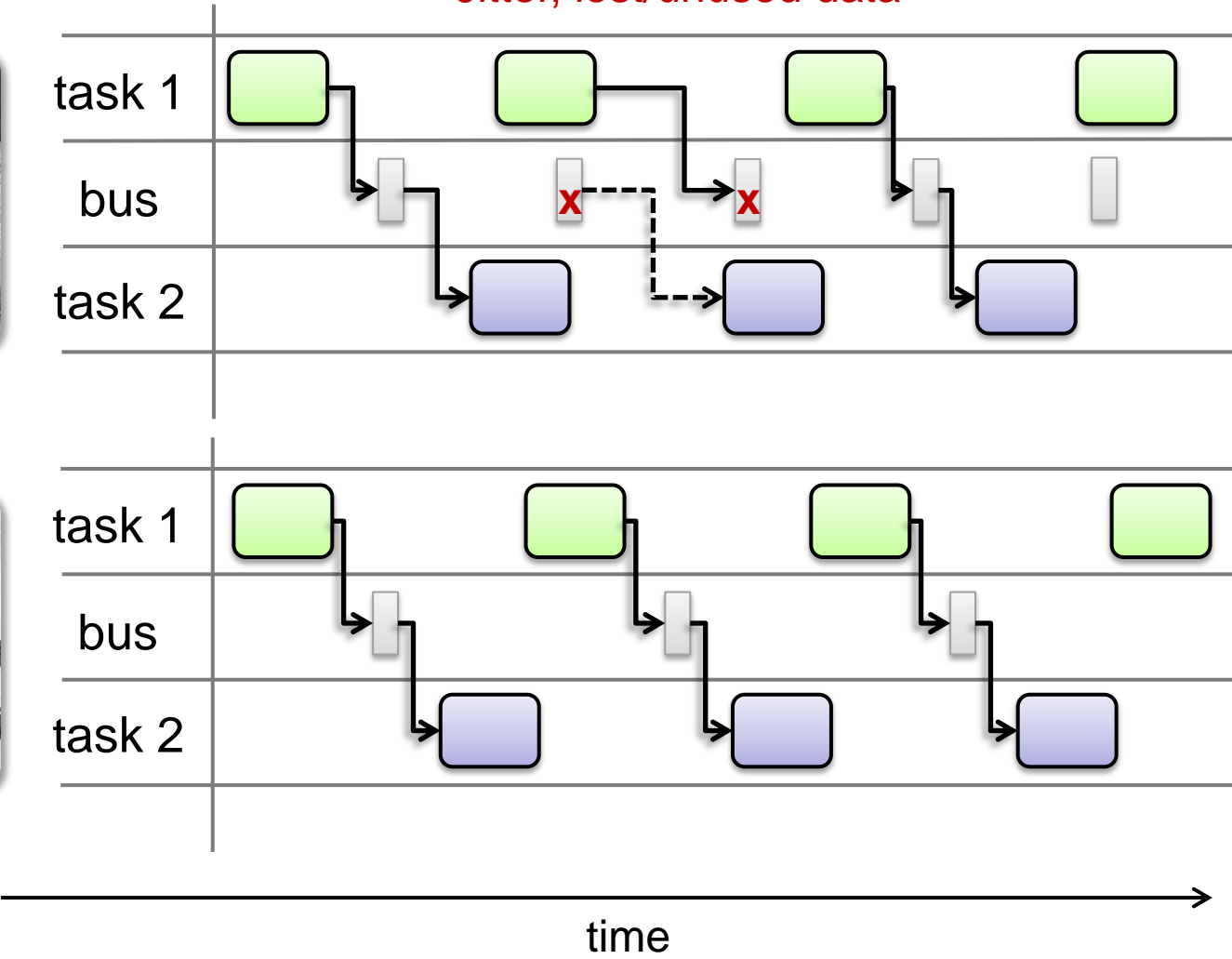
Asynchronous



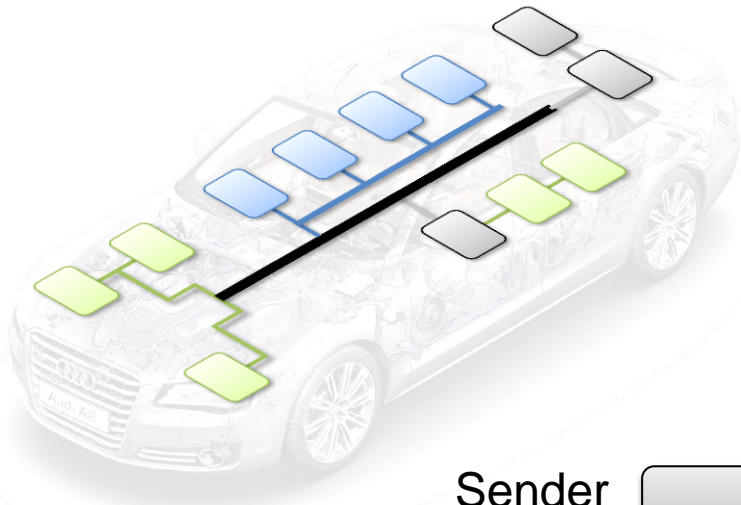
Synchronous



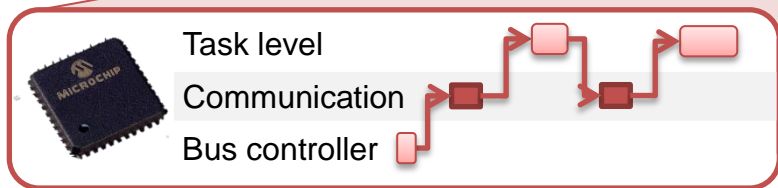
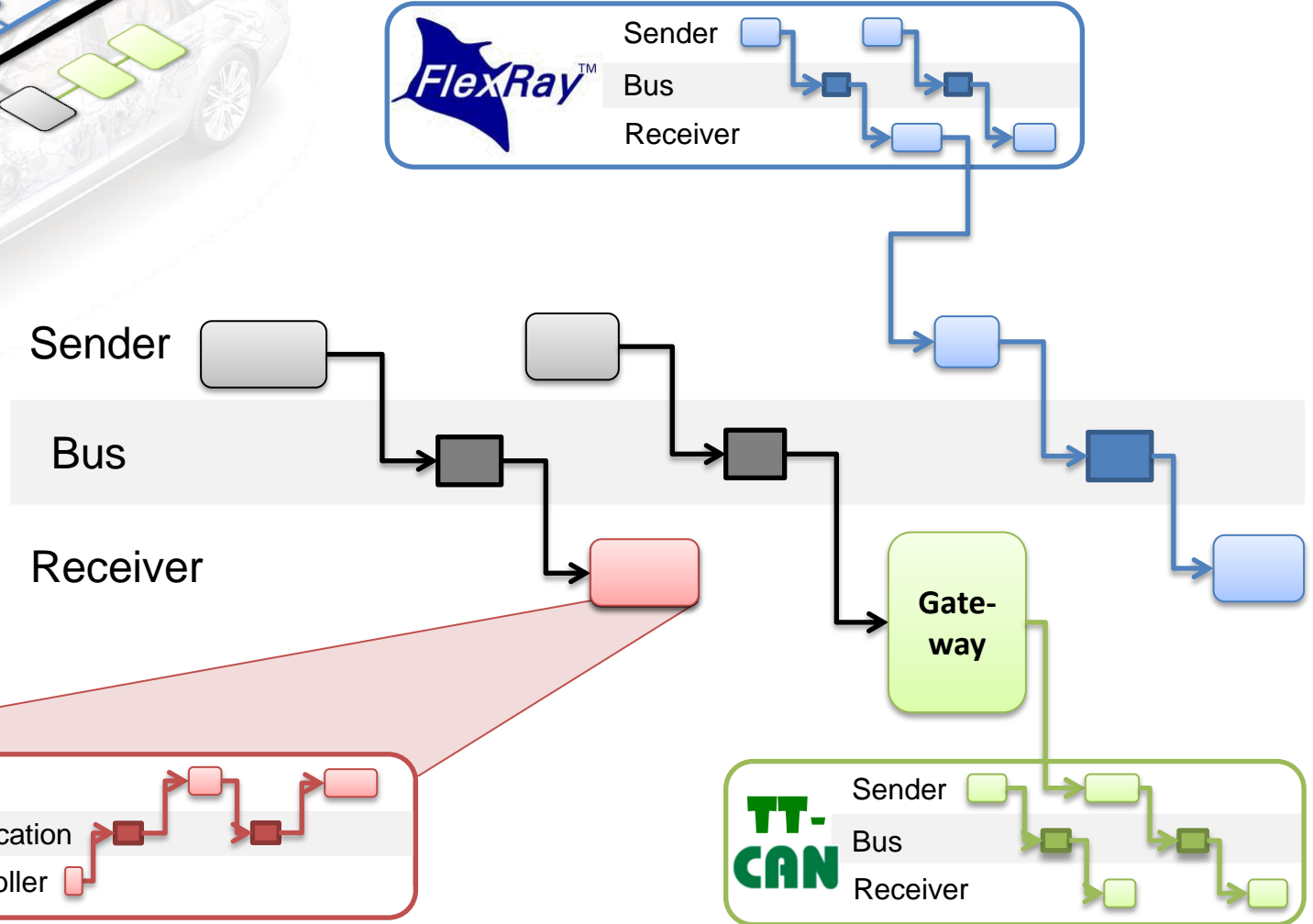
Jitter, lost/unused data



# Vision: Holistic Scheduling for Time Triggered Systems



**Ethernet PTP  
(Backbone)**



- **Schedule Optimization of Time-Triggered Systems Communicating Over the FlexRay Static Segment**

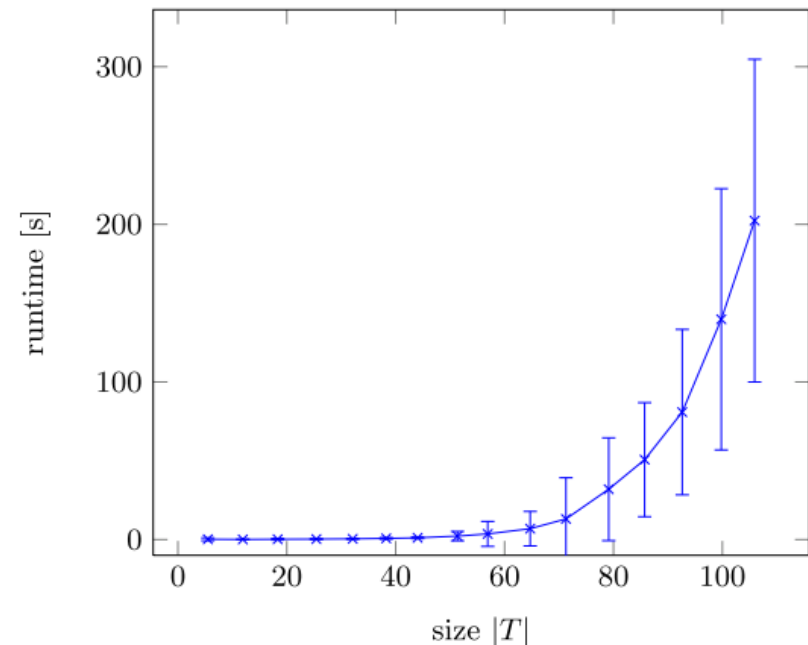
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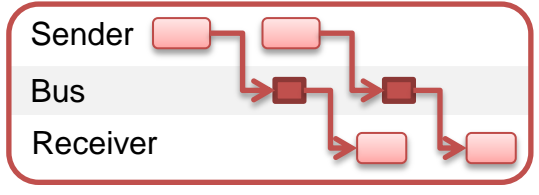
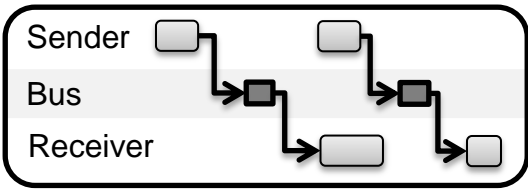
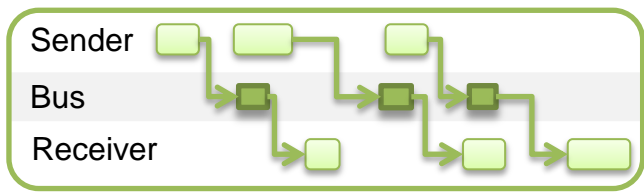
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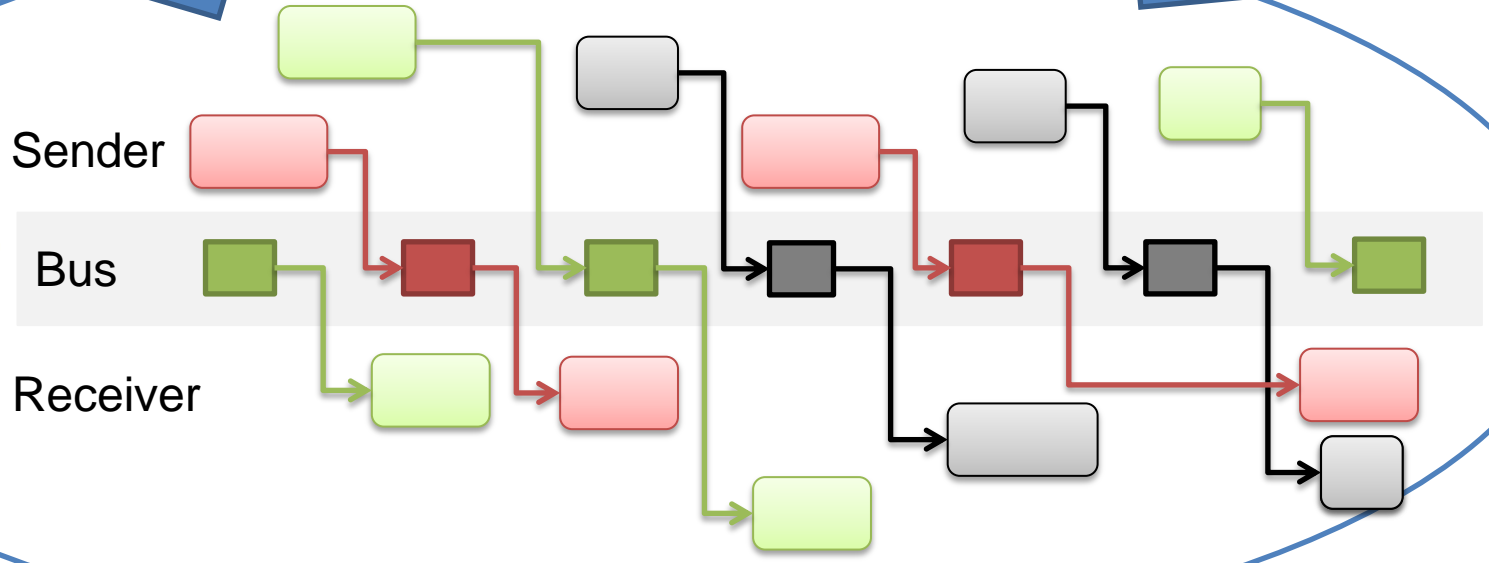


# Schedule Integration approach

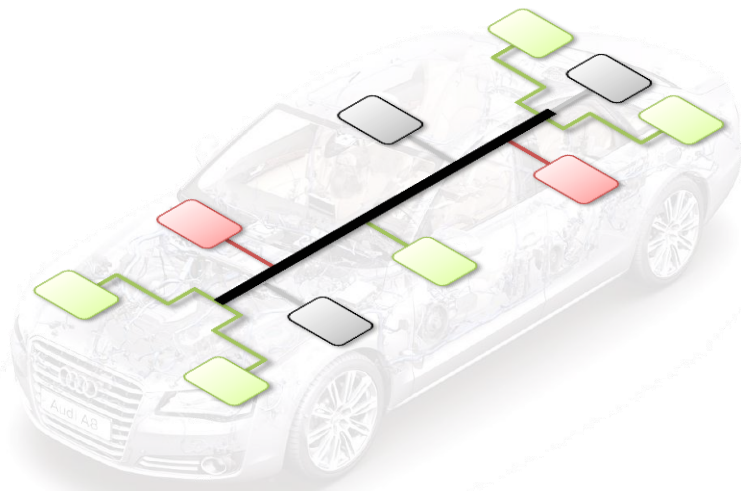
## Cluster Schedules:



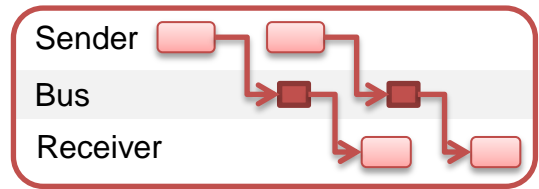
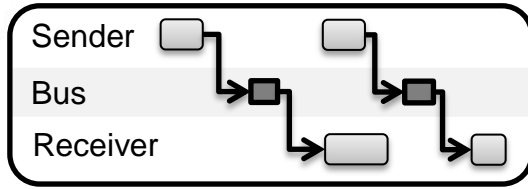
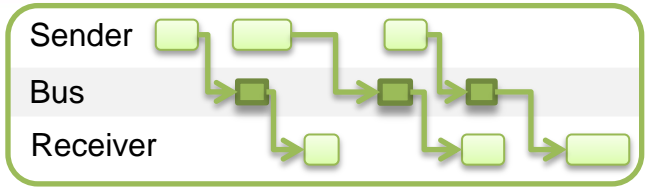
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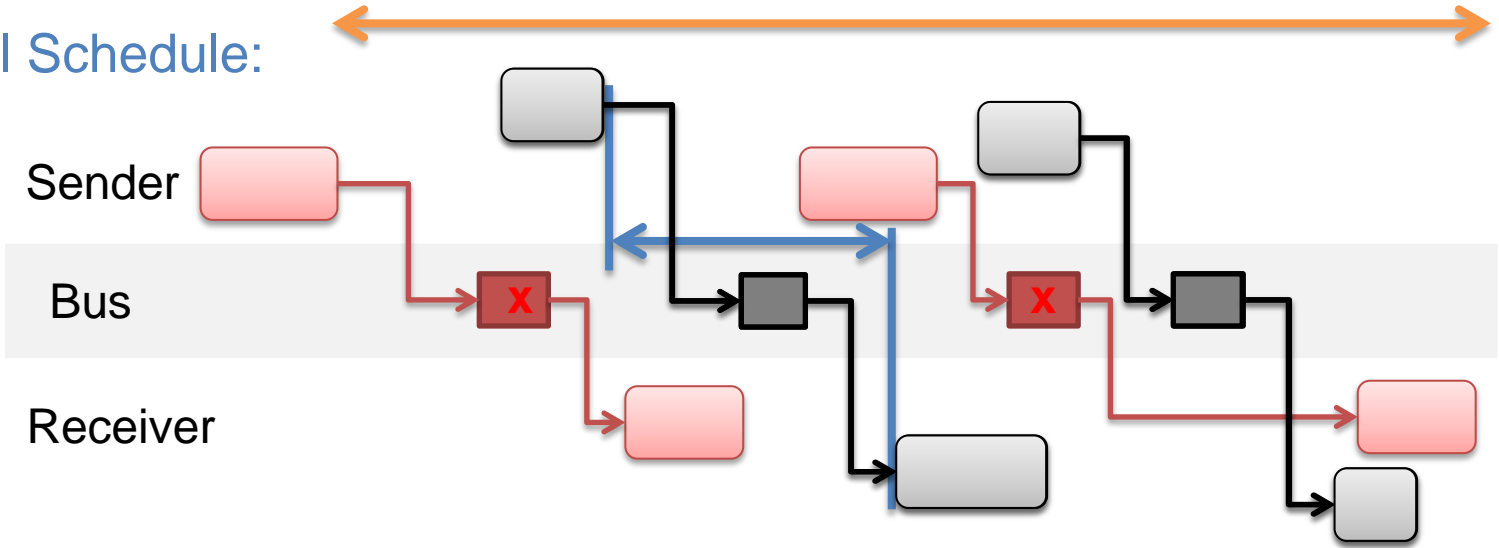
# Degrees of Freedom



Schedules:



Global Schedule:



# Introduction to FlexRay



Foundation of FlexRay Consortium  
(more than 100 members by 2005)

2000

2005

Release of version 2.1,  
the current industry  
standard



Presentation: "FlexRay – Past Present Future Perfect" - Christopher Temple

Used in active damping  
system of BMW X5

2006

2008

Fully introduced with  
BMW 7 series



BMW 7-series



Release of version 3.0,  
Disbandment of  
consortium

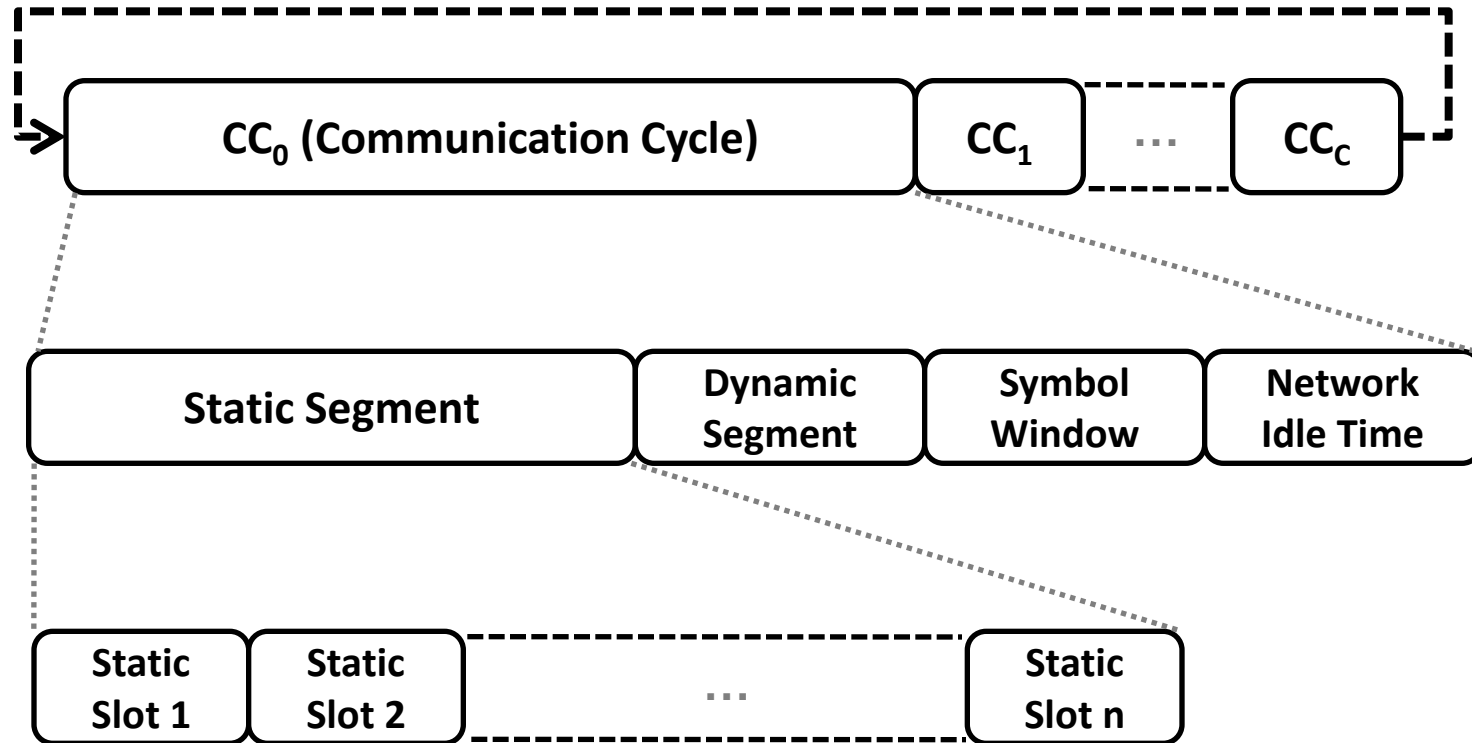
2010

future

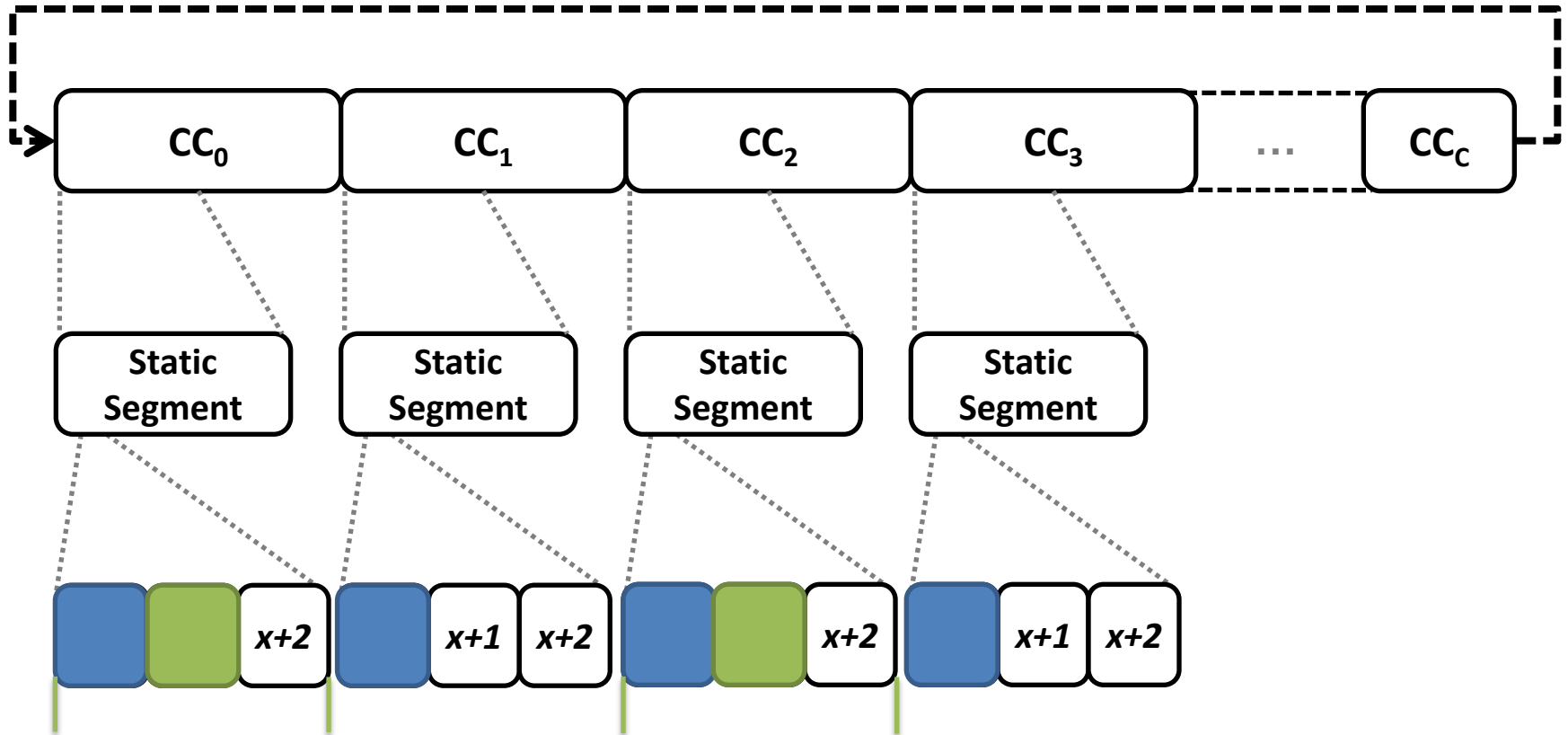
ISO standard  
in preparation



# FlexRay Protocol (Static Segment)







# ILP-based Schedule Integration Approach

$$\forall D \in \mathcal{D}: \quad \sum_{i \in o(D)} \mathbf{o}_{D,i} = 1 \quad (9)$$

$$\forall D \in \mathcal{D}, f \in D: \quad \sum_{i \in v(f)} \mathbf{o}_{f,i} = 1 \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall D \in \mathcal{D}, f \in D, i \in v(f), j \in o(D): \\ \exists (s(f) + j + i) \% n_{all} \geq n_{static}: \\ \mathbf{o}_{f,i} + \mathbf{o}_{D,j} \leq 1 \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall D \in \mathcal{D}, f \in D, i \in v(f), j \in o(D), \\ (s(f) + j + i) \% n_{all} < n_{static} : c \in c(f), \\ \tilde{c} = (((s(f) + j + i) + c \cdot n_{all}) \% (n_{all} \cdot n_{cycles})) : \\ \exists \tilde{c} < n_{all} \cdot n_{rep}: \\ \mathbf{o}_{f,i} + \mathbf{o}_{D,j} - \mathbf{x}_{D,f,\tilde{c}} \leq 1 \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} c \in \{0, \dots, n_{rep} \cdot n_{all} - 1\}, c \% n_{all} < n_{static}: \\ \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \sum_{f \in D} \mathbf{x}_{D,f,c} \leq 1 \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Only occupy static FlexRay segment

Each static slot is only occupied once

## Search Space Reduction:

### Filter Offsets:

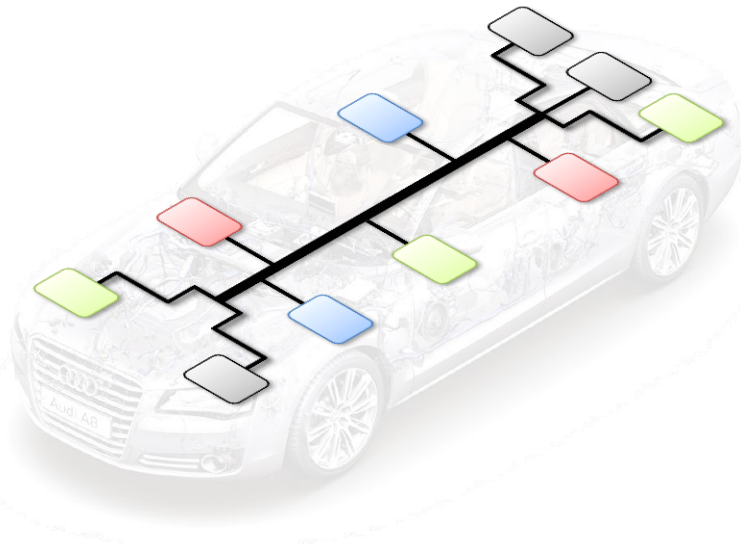
$$\begin{aligned} \forall i \in o(D), f \in D: \\ \exists j \in v(f), i + j + s(f) \% n_{all} < n_{static} : \\ i \in \tilde{o}_f(D) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$$\tilde{o}(D) = \bigcap_{\forall f \in D} \tilde{o}_f(D) \quad (15)$$

### Cycle Breaking:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall D \in \mathcal{D}, f, \tilde{f} \in D, f \neq \tilde{f}, c(f) = c(\tilde{f}), s(f) < s(\tilde{f}), \\ I = \{s(f) + i | i \in v(f)\} \cap \{s(\tilde{f}) + j | j \in v(\tilde{f})\}, \\ i, j \in I, i > j: \end{aligned}$$

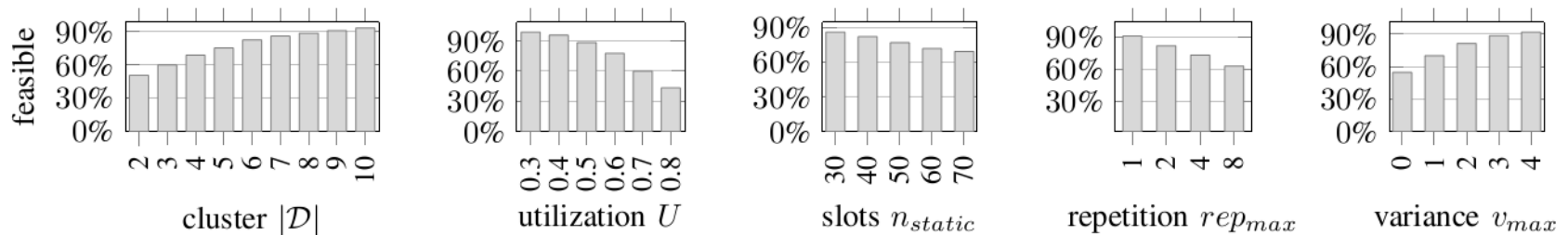
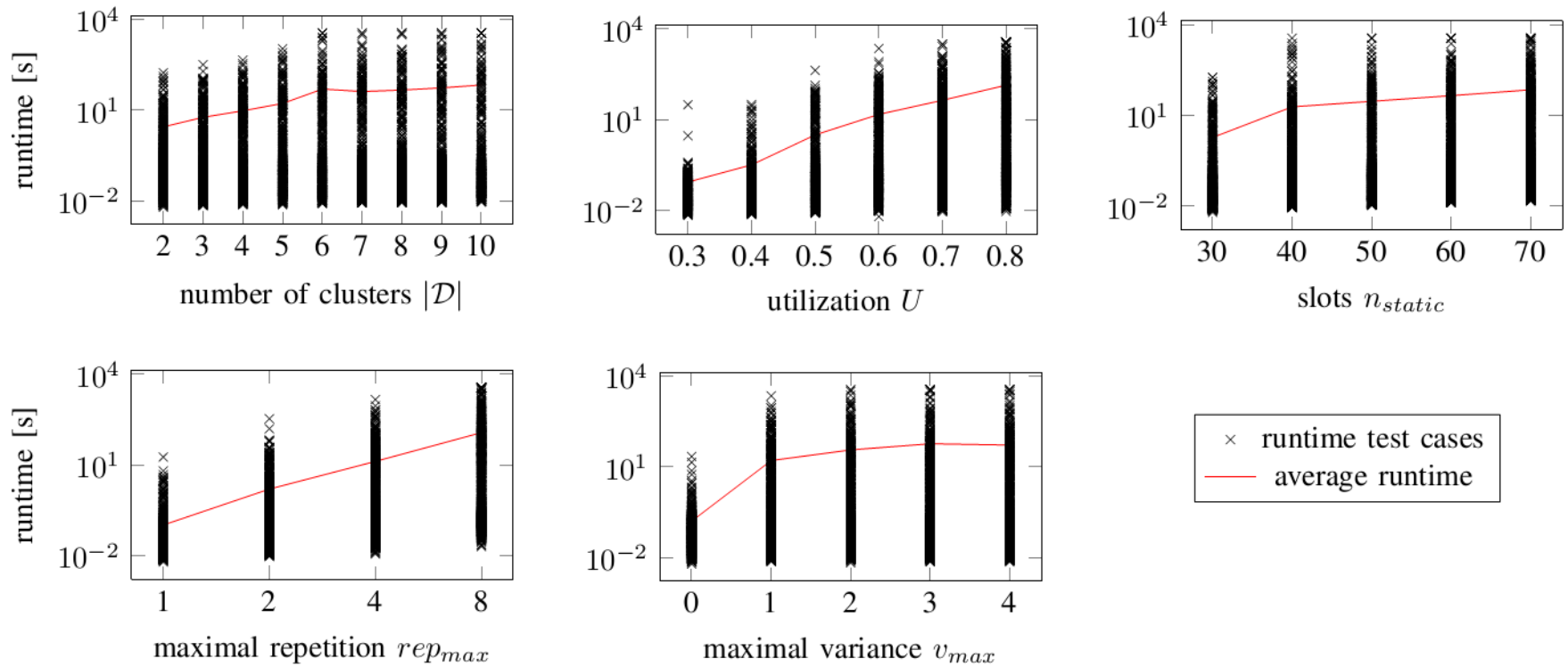
$$\mathbf{o}_{f,i-s(f)} + \mathbf{o}_{\tilde{f},j-s(\tilde{f})} \leq 1 \quad (16)$$



cluster	ECUs	frames	repetition	variance
body	2	9	2,4	3-217
chassis	3	12	2,4	0-85
information	2	11	4,8	9-278
electric	3	10	1,2	0-55
<b>total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>1,2,4,8</b>	<b>0-278</b>

- Utilization of FlexRay bus: 29%
- Feasible schedule for **FlexRay 2.1** in 163ms (Xeon 3.2GHz Quadcore, 12GB RAM)
  - ILP formulation of 5207 variables and 146926 constraints
- Feasible schedule for **FlexRay 3.0** in 208ms
  - ILP formulation of 14895 variables and 1070730 constraints

# Scalability Analysis with 5400 Synthetic Test Cases



- Automotive functions benefit from a synchronous schedule
- Concurrent scheduling of ECUs and buses necessary
- Concurrent scheduling allows reduction of integration efforts
- ILP based scheduling

