



Composition in Heterogeneous Systems

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Outline



- Effects of heterogeneity
- Passivity-based design
- Toward a high-confidence model-based design tool chain



Model-Based Design & Platforms

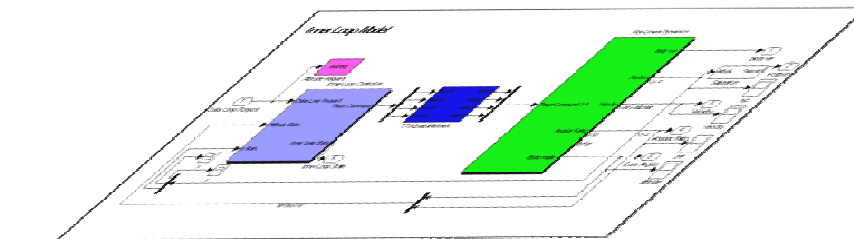


Key Idea: Manage design complexity by creating abstraction layers in the design flow.

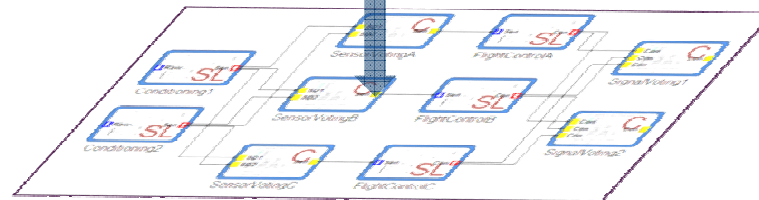
Abstraction layers define platforms.

Abstractions are linked through mapping.

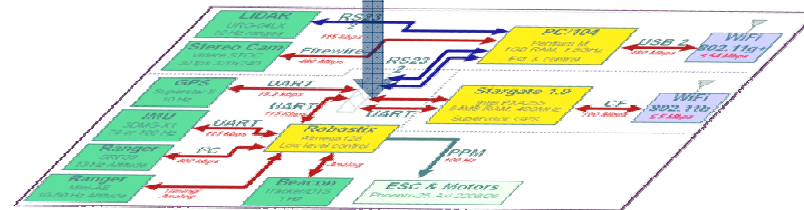
Abstraction layers allow the verification of different properties.



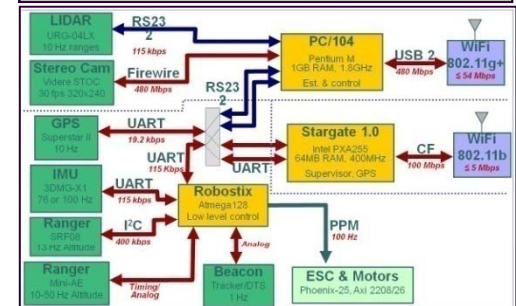
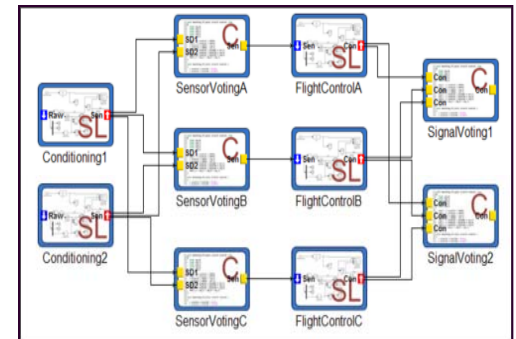
Physical Platform



Software Platform



Computation/Communication Platform



Claire Tomlin, UC Berkeley

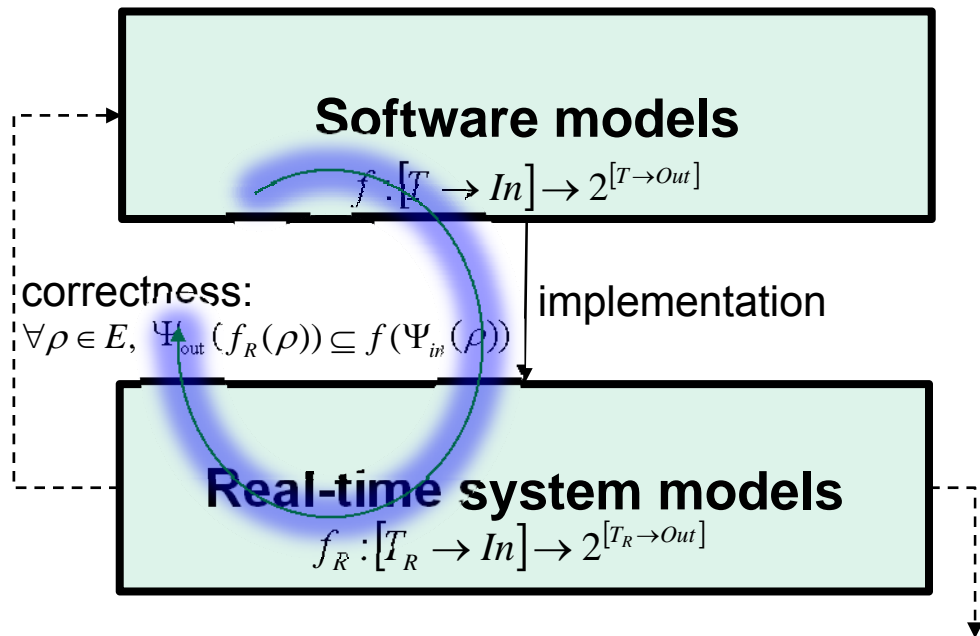


Abstraction layers: SW-RTS



Sifakis et al: “Building Models of Real-Time Systems from Application Software,”
Proceedings of the IEEE Vol. 91, No. 1. pp. 100-111, January 2003

In CPS, essential system properties such as stability, safety, performance are expressed in terms of physical behavior

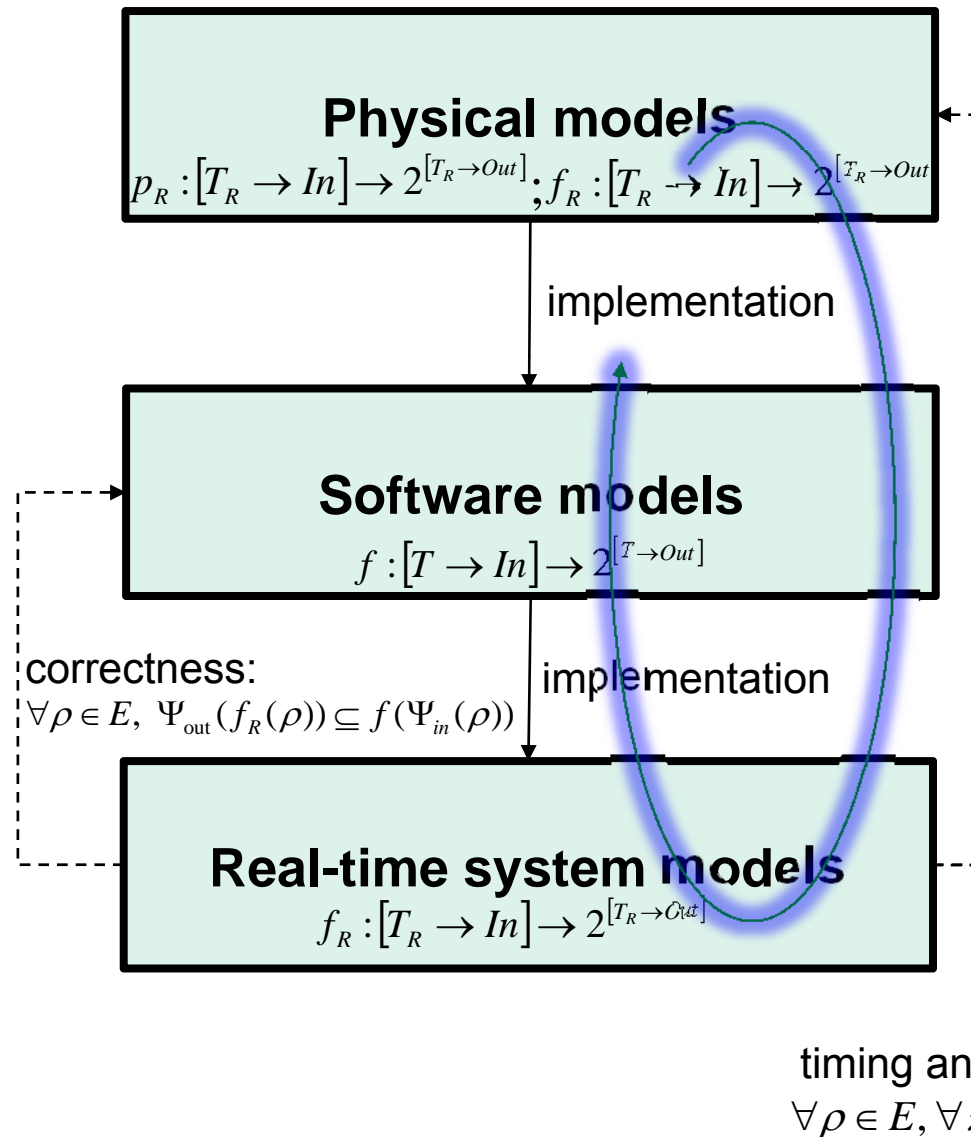


- f : reactive program. Program execution creates a mapping between logical-time inputs and outputs.

- f_R : real-time system. Programs are packaged into interacting components. Scheduler control access to computation and communication resources according to time constraints P



Abstraction layers: PHY-SW-RTS

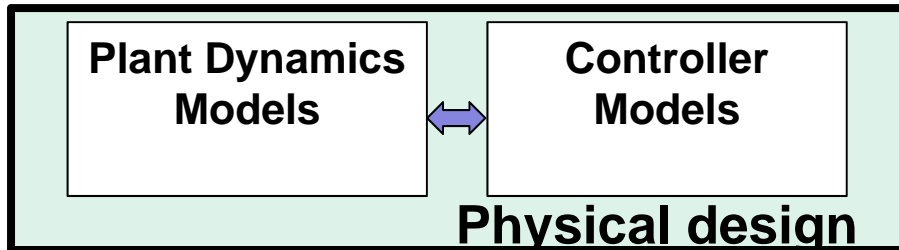


Goals:

- **Compositional verification of essential dynamic properties**
 - stability
 - safety
- **Robustness against implementation changes and uncertainties**
 - fault induced reconfiguration of SW/HW
 - network uncertainties (packet drops, delays)
- **Decreased verification complexity**



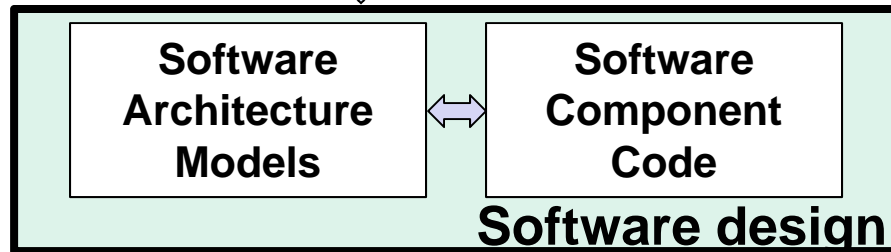
Composition Inside Abstraction Layers



Dynamics: $B(t) = \kappa_p(B_1(t), \dots, B_j(t))$

- *Properties:* stability, safety, performance
- *Abstractions:* continuous time, functions, signals, flows,...

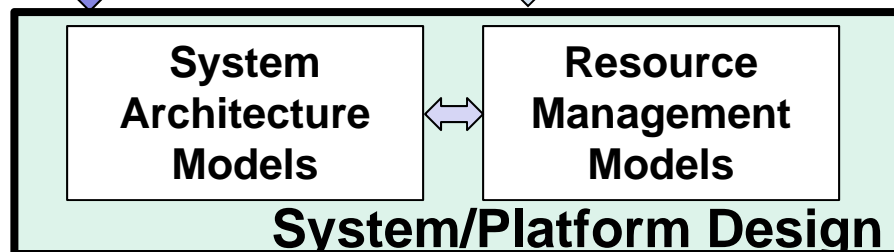
Assumption: Effects of digital implementation can be neglected



Software : $B(i) = \kappa_c(B_1(i), \dots, B_k(i))$

- *Properties:* deadlock, invariants, security,...
- *Abstractions:* logical-time, concurrency, atomicity, ideal communication,...

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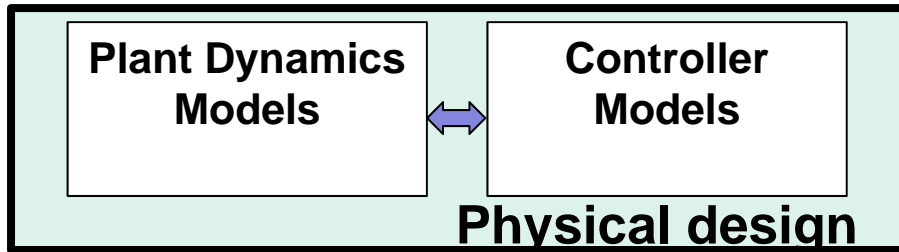


Systems : $B(t_j) = \kappa_p(B_1(t_i), \dots, B_k(t_i))$

- *Properties:* timing, power, security, fault tolerance
- *Abstractions:* discrete-time, delays, resources, scheduling,

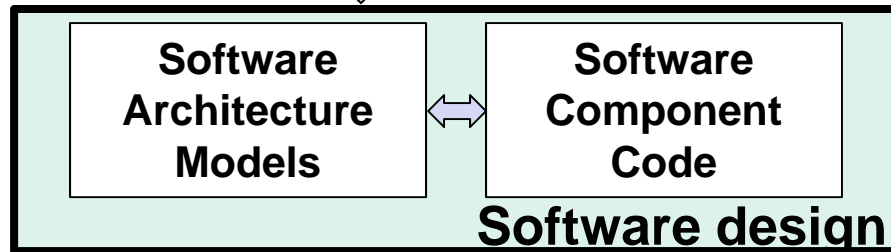


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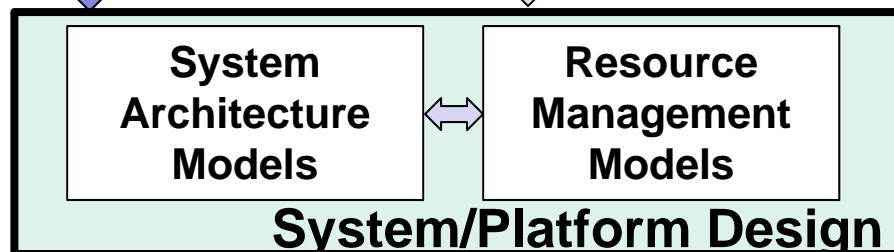
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- Consequence of the lack of composability across system layers
 - intractable interactions
 - unpredictable system level behavior
 - full-system verification does not scale
- Approach: simplification strategies
 - ***Orthogonalization: Use passivity for decoupling stability and implementation induced time variant delays***
 - ...



- Effects of heterogeneity
- **Passivity-based design**
- Toward a high-confidence model-based design tool chain



Physical layer: Passivity-based design



Key idea: Passivity-based design of networked control systems provides robustness to time-varying delays

- Various mathematical definitions
 - A passive system only stores and dissipates energy but cannot generate energy of its own
- Passive systems interact in a stable manner
 - When connected in either a parallel or negative feedback manner the overall system remains passive
- Passive control theory applies to
 - Linear and nonlinear systems
 - Continuous and discrete-time systems
- Easier and safer to control
 - Independent joint PD controller for robotic manipulator
 - Asymptotic stability for set-point tracking



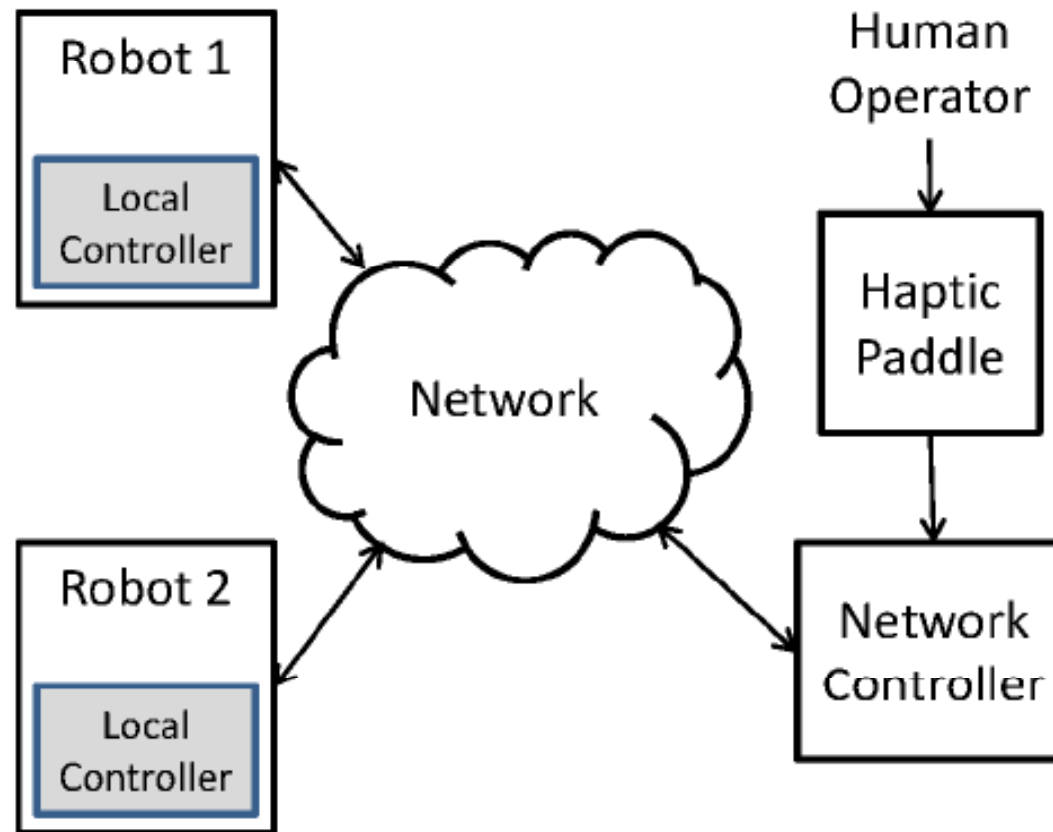
Background on Passivity



- Milestones:
 - Wave digital filters (Fettweis, 70's)
 - Passive structures (Peceli, 80's)
 - Teleoperation over the Internet (Niemyer, 04)
 - Power junctions (Kottenstette, Antsaklis, 08)
- Work at ISIS:
 - Design tool suite and extension through applications (Eyisi, Hall, Porter, Kottenstette, Koutsoukos, Sztipanovits)

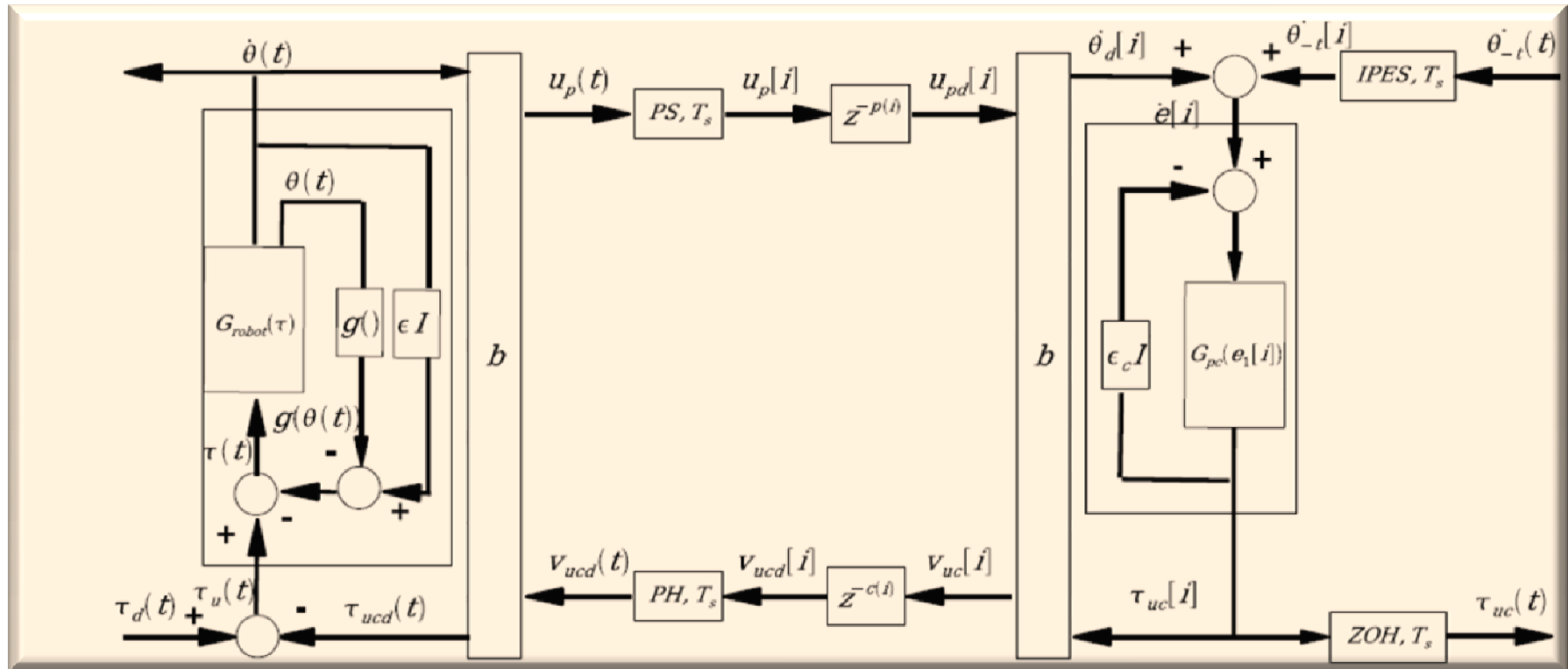


Networked Control System

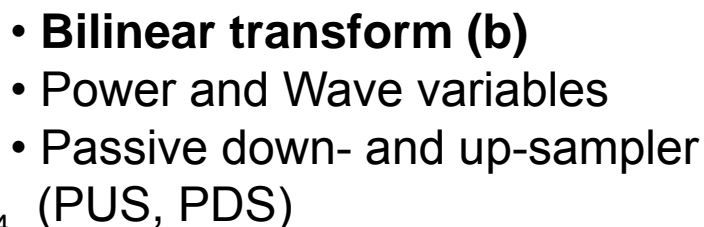




Basic concepts



- Wave variables were introduced by Fettweis in order to circumvent the problem of delay-free loops and guarantee that the implementation of wave digital filters is realizable
- Wave variables defined by a bilinear transformation under which a stable minimum phase continuous-time system is mapped to a stable minimum phase discrete-time system. The transformation preserves passivity.



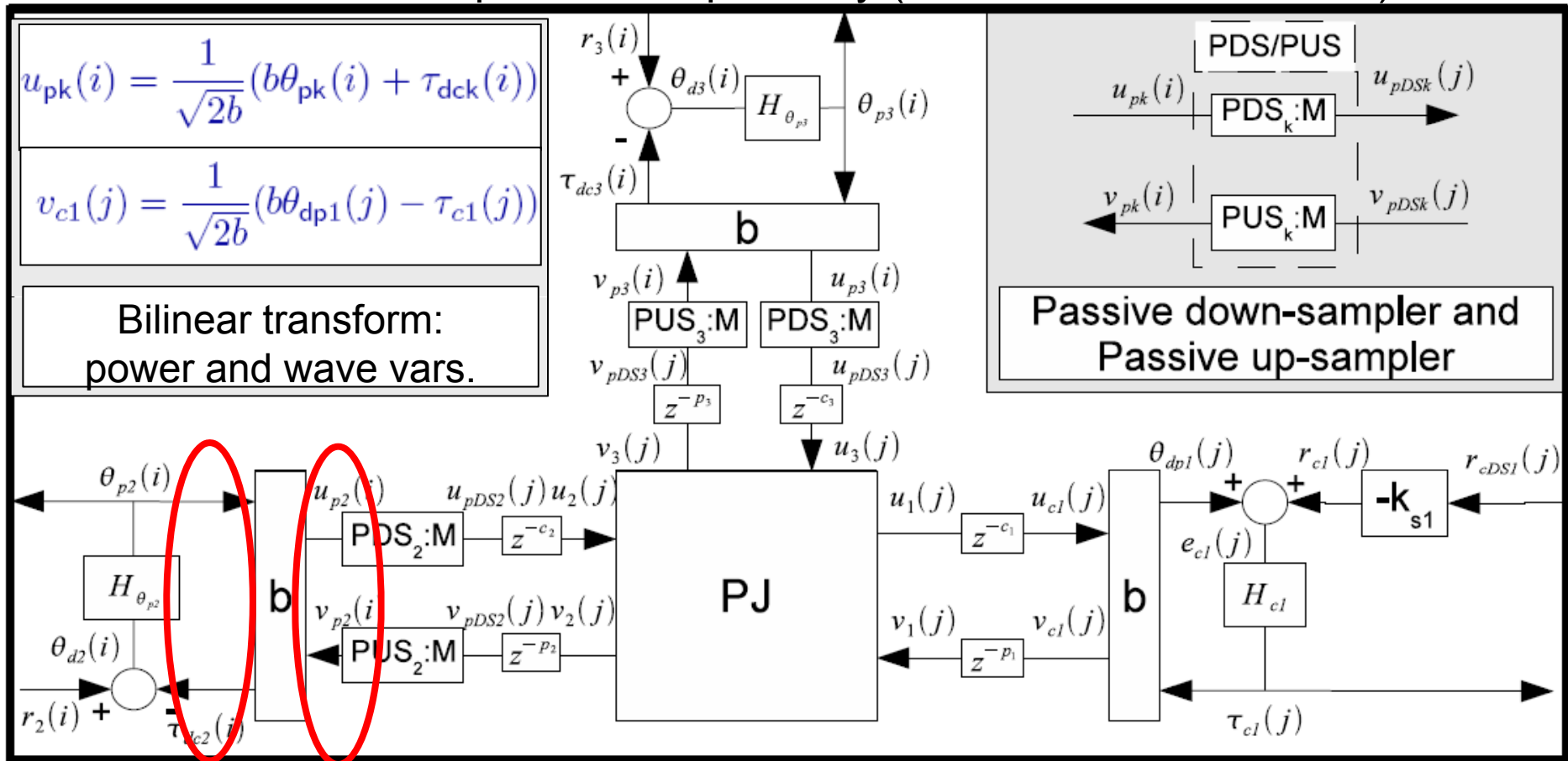
- Delays
- Power junction
- Passive dynamical system



Passivity-Based NCS Architecture



Modularization – composition for passivity (Kottenstette, Kotsoukos)



- Bilinear transform (b)
- **Power and Wave variables**
- Passive down- and up-sampler (PUS, PDS)

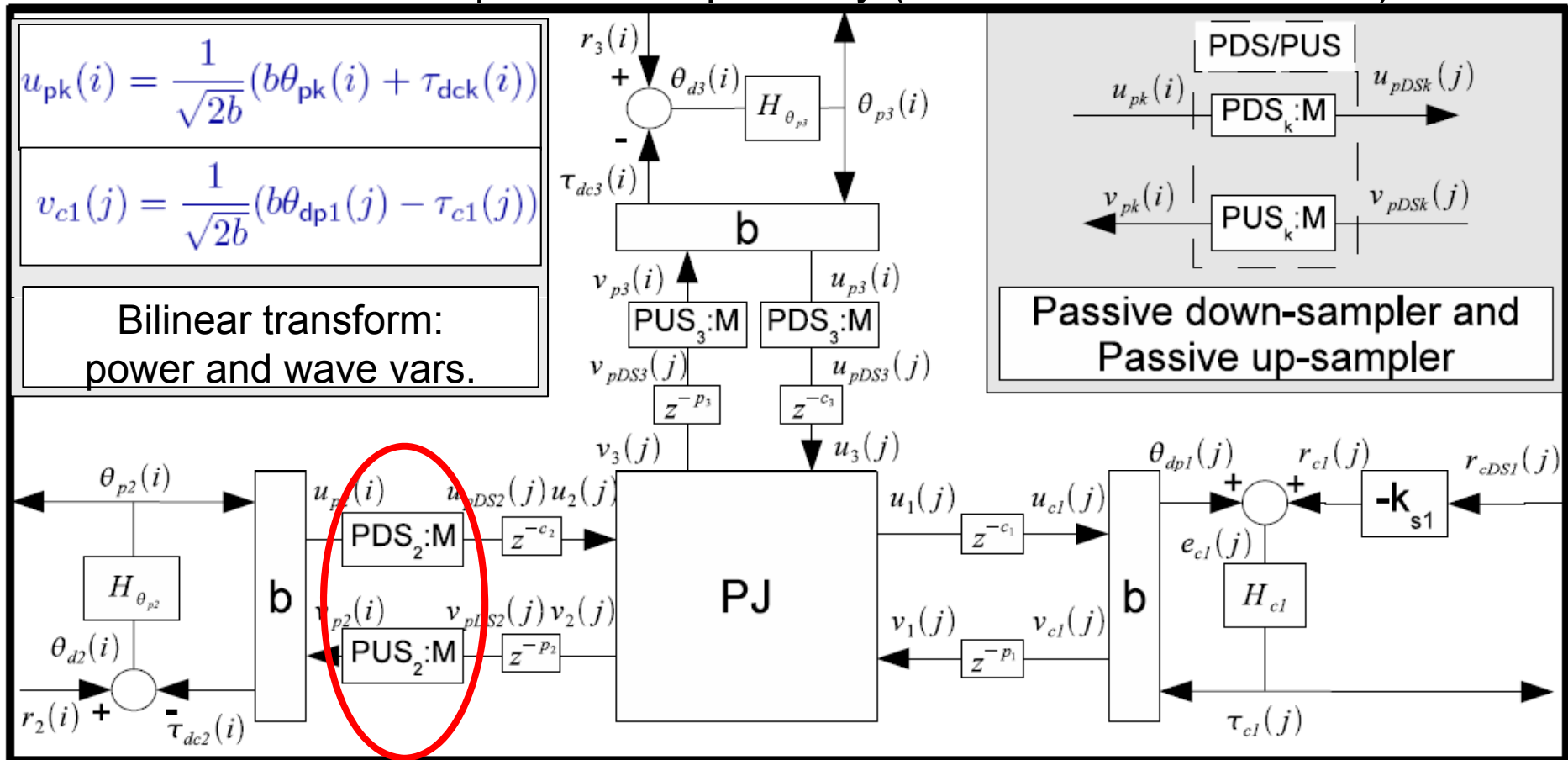
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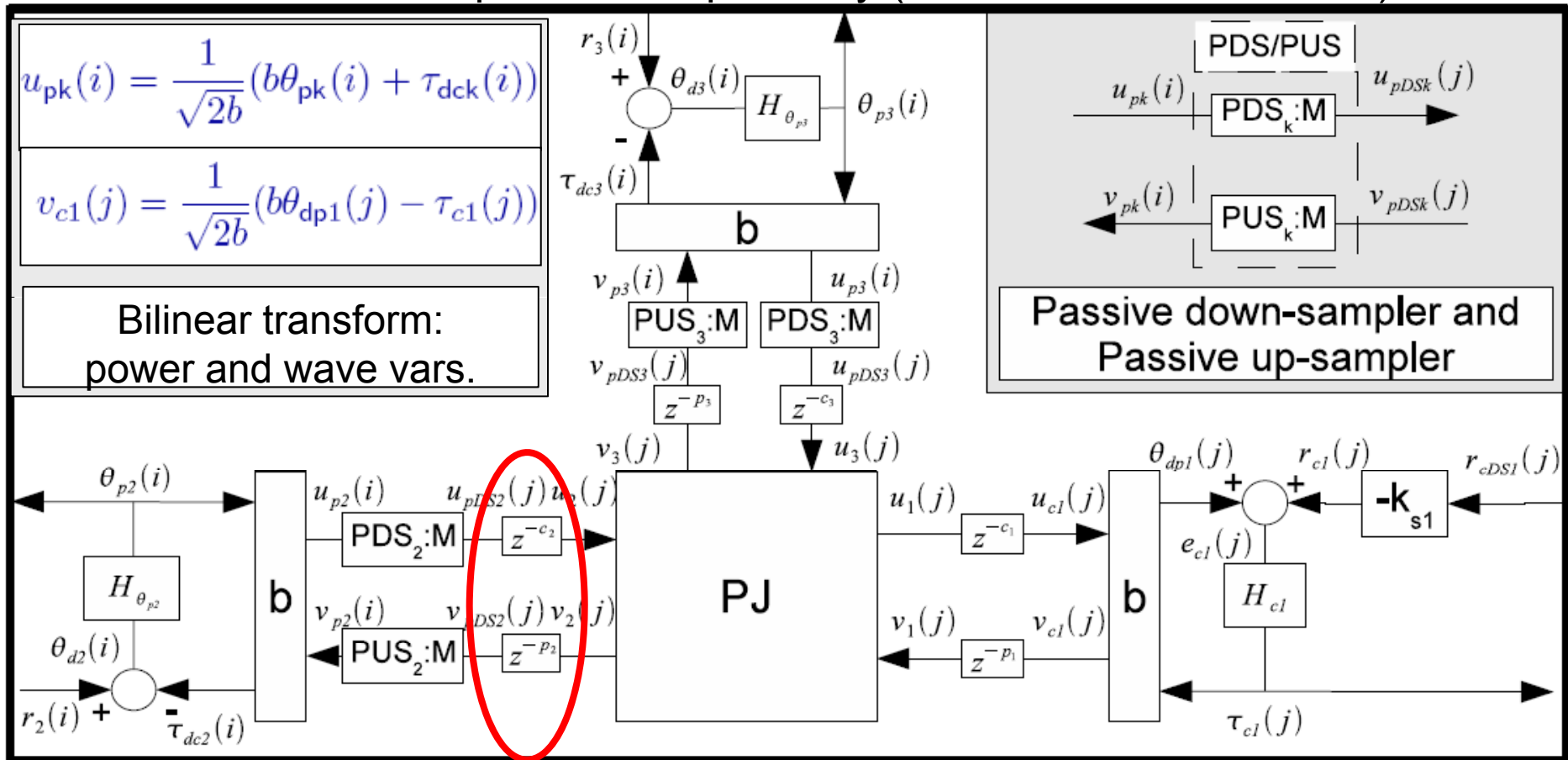
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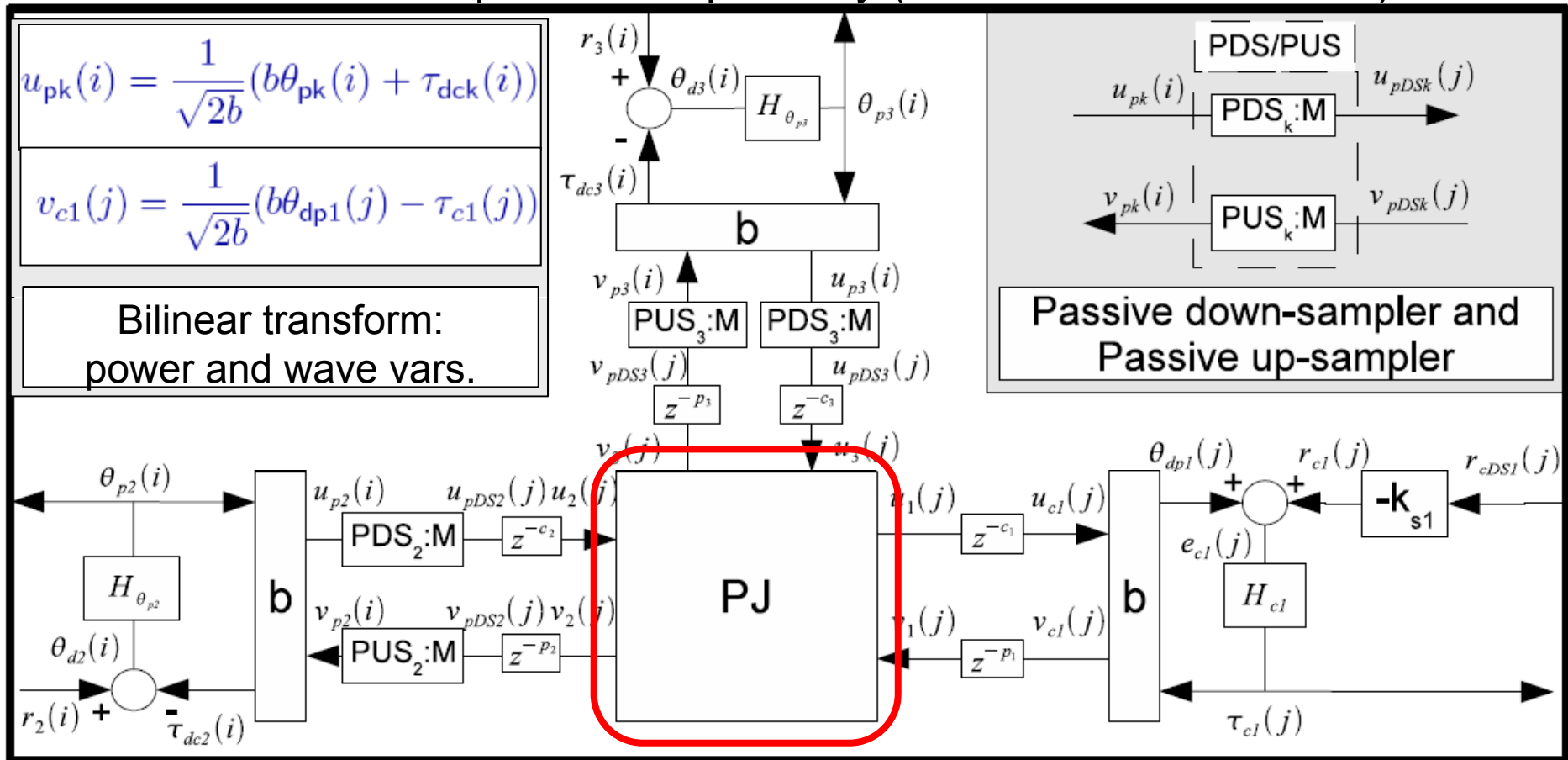
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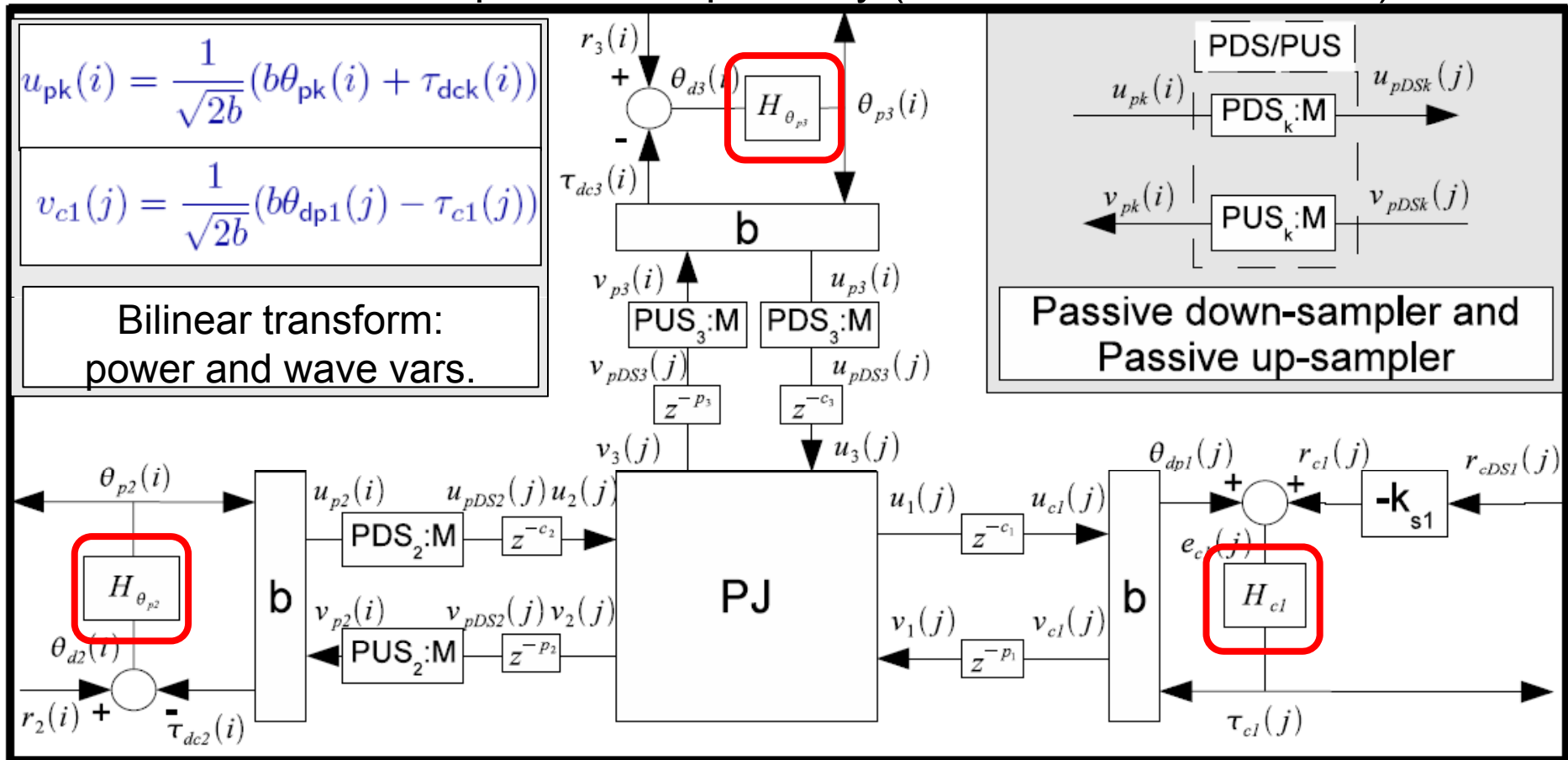
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DSML for passivity-based design: PaNeCS



- Developed by Emeka Eyisi using the Model Integrated Computing (MIC) tools, (GME, UDM).
- PaNeCS Meta-model
 - **Main Components**
 - Plant Subsystem
 - Controller Subsystem
 - PowerJunction Subsystem
 - Network Subsystem



Plant Subsystem



- **Components**

- Plant

- Discrete-Time LTI

$$x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k)$$

$$y(k) = Cx(k) + Du(k)$$

- BilinearTransformP

- PassiveDownSampler

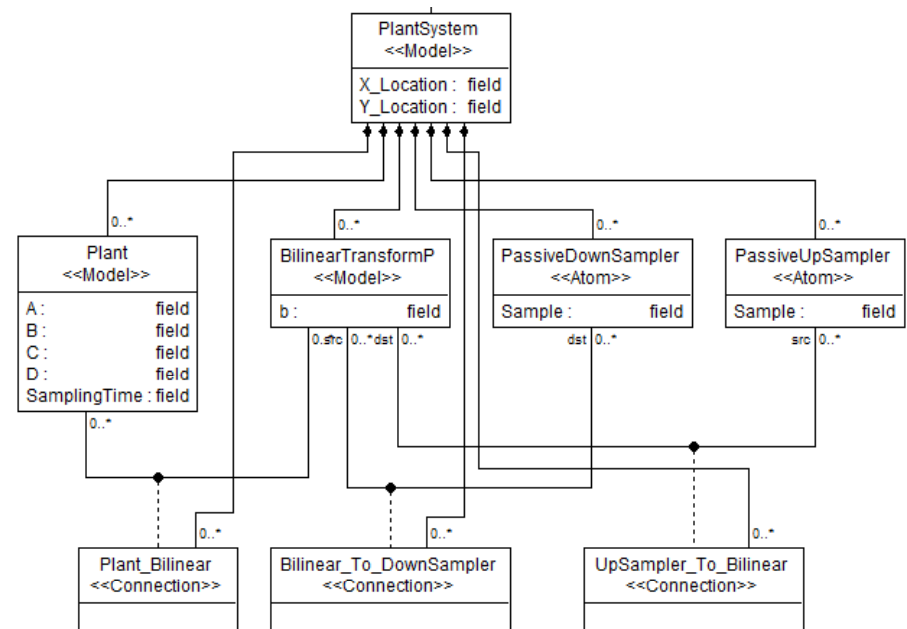
- PassiveUpSampler

- **Interconnections**

- Plant_Bilinear

- Bilinear_To_DownSampler

- UpSampler_To_Bilinear

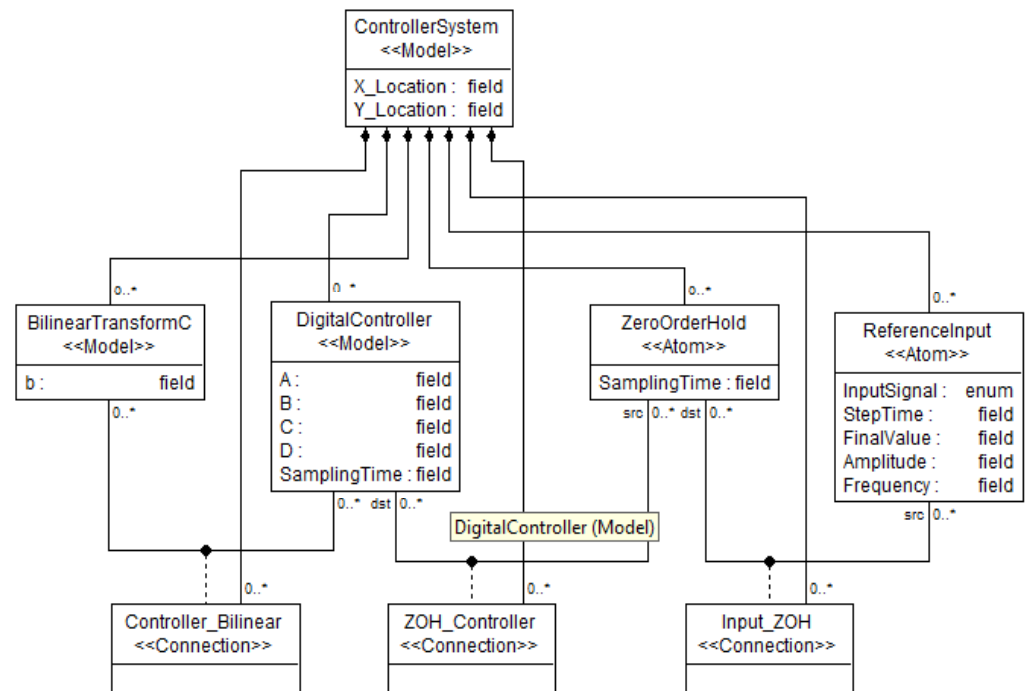




Controller Subsystem



- **Components**
 - DigitalController
 - BilinearTransformC
 - Reference Input
 - ZeroOrderHold
- **Interconnections**
 - Controller_Bilinear
 - ZOH_Controller
 - Input_ZOH

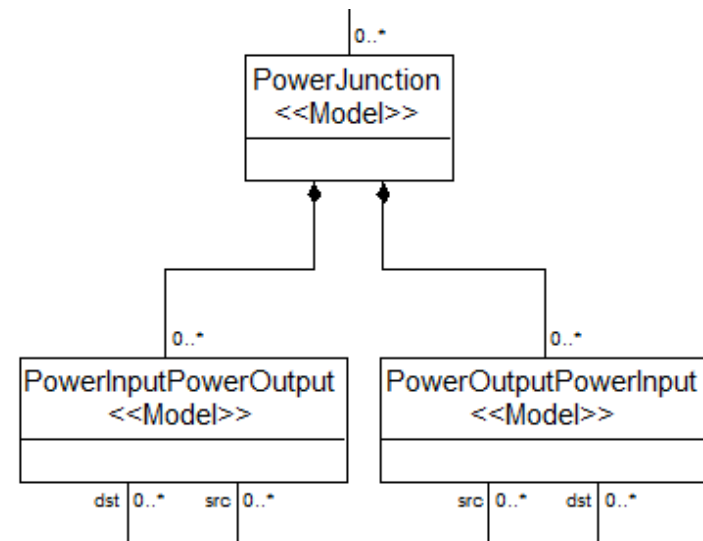




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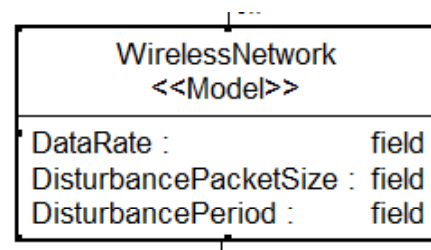
- PowerInputPowerOutput (Plant connection to PowerJunction)
- PowerOutputPowerInput (Controller connection to PowerJunction)

$$\sum_{k=m+1}^n (u_k^T u_k - v_k^T v_k) \geq \sum_{j=1}^m (u_j^T u_j - v_j^T v_j)$$





- **Network representation**
 - Defines parameters for the network
 - Ability to introduce network disturbance for simulation purposes

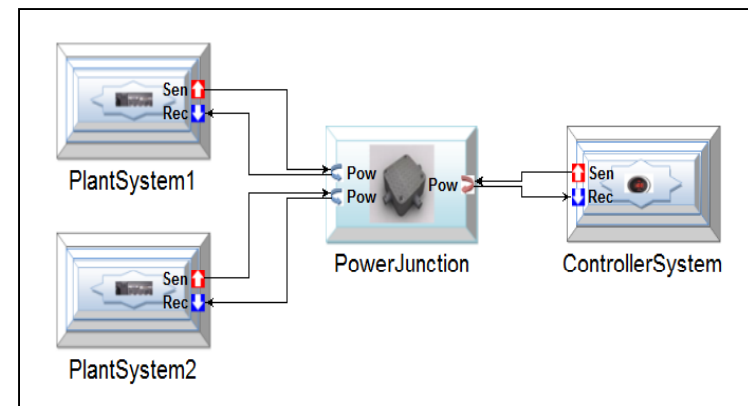




Control Design Aspect



- Provides visualization of the control modeling layer indicating flow of control and sensor signals.
- Components represent control design concepts.
- Visible Components
 - Plant Subsystem
 - Controller Subsystem
 - Powerjunction



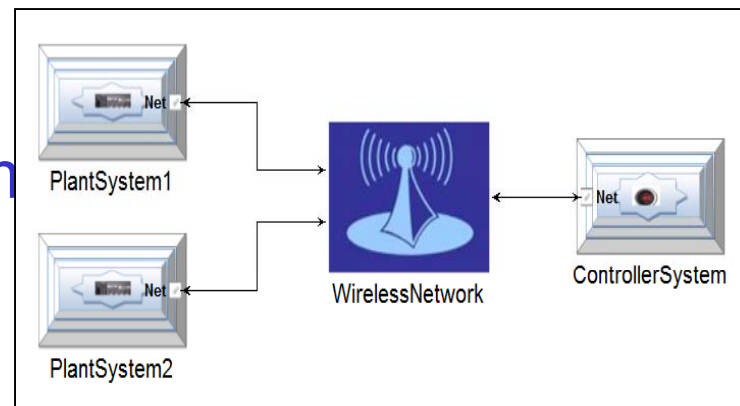
**Control Design
Aspect**



Platform Aspect



- Provides visualization of the physical platform layer indicating the flow of data packets over the network.
- Components represent physical entities
- Visible components
 - Plant Subsystem
 - Controller subsystem
 - Wireless network



Platform Design Aspect



Sample OCL Implementation



- OCL Implementation
 - Connection between BilinearTransformC and DigitalController

Description: There must be one connection between the DigitalController block and the BilinearTransformC block

Equation:

```
self.connectionParts("Controller_Bilinear").size  
( ) = 1
```



Passivity Analysis



- In order to achieve the desirable properties of passive systems
 - Analyze the networked control system
- Analysis of the NCS
 - Component Analysis
 - System-level Analysis



Component Analysis



- Analyze individual components of the NCS
 - Only Plant and Controller Components
- Designed Model Interpreter Tool integrated in GME visits each tool and invokes the analysis function.

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^T P A - P - \tilde{Q} & A^T P B - \tilde{S} \\ (A^T P B - S)^T & -\tilde{R} + B^T P B \end{bmatrix} \preceq 0$$

$$\tilde{Q} = C^T Q C, \quad \tilde{S} = C^T S + C^T Q D$$

$$\tilde{R} = D^T Q D + (D^T S + S^T D) + R$$

$$\exists \varepsilon > 0, \quad Q = -\varepsilon I, \quad R = 0, \quad S = \frac{1}{2} I \quad \text{Kottenstette, Antsaklis 2008}$$

- CVX semi-definite programming tool (SDP) used in a Matlab script to solve LMI.



System-level Analysis



- Due to the “correct-by-construction” approach
 - Network as a whole ensure global robustness by a combination of
 - Individual components satisfaction of passivity constraints.
 - Passive Composition constraints encoded in the modeling language.
- Reduction in the analysis burden of verifying passivity.



PaNeCS Design Flow



NCS Modeling

SL/tt model generator

PaNeCS
GME

PaNeCS
2tt

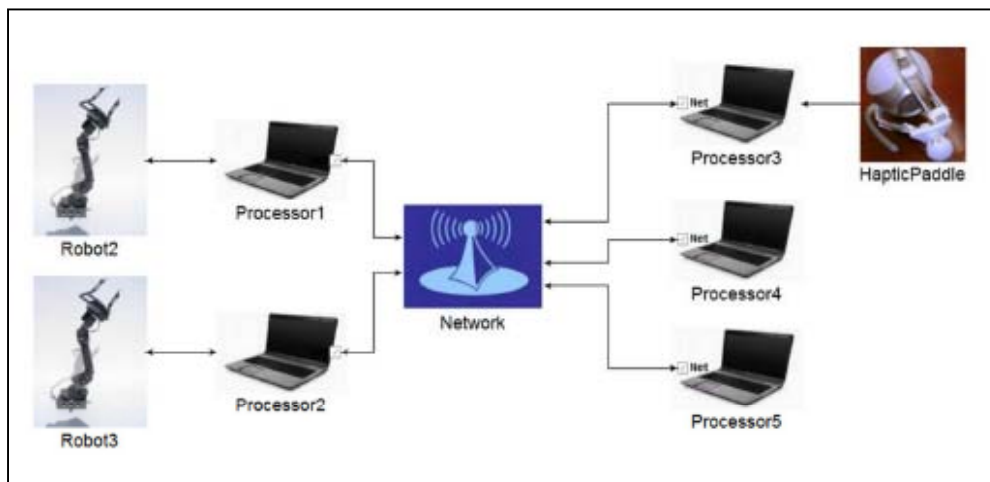
Simulink
TrueTime

- structural constraints
- component passivity analysis

- model transformation

- behavior simulation

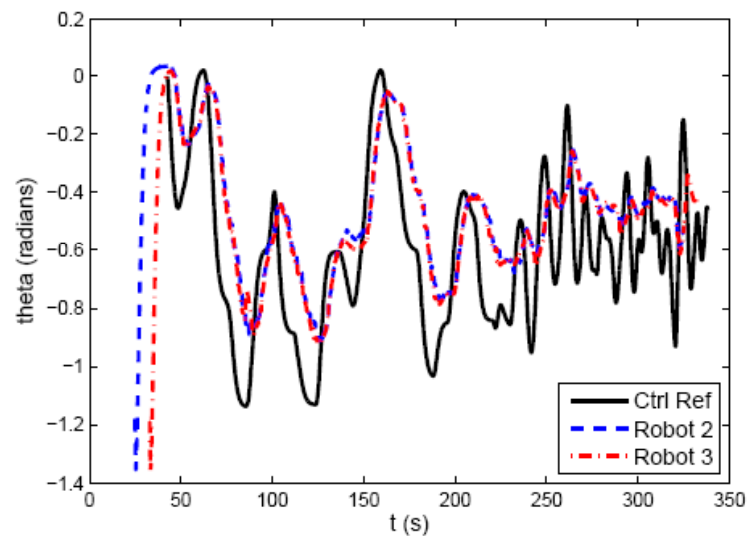
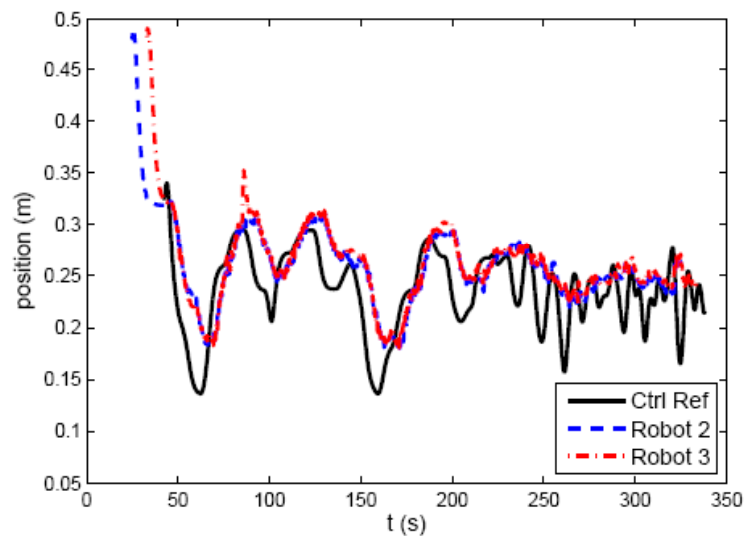
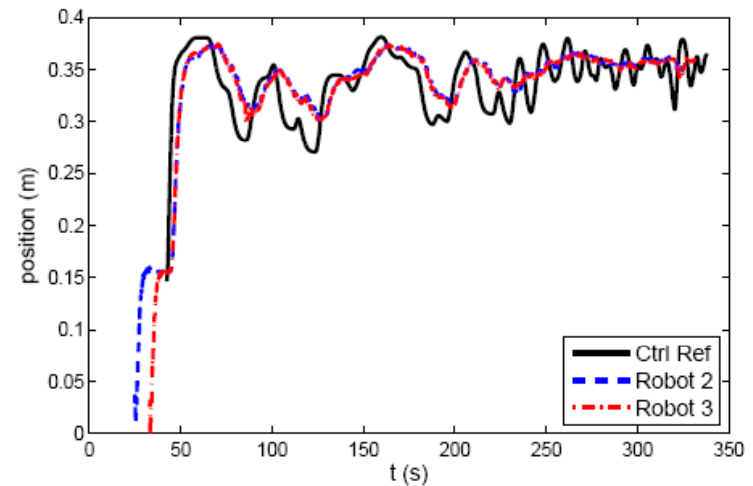
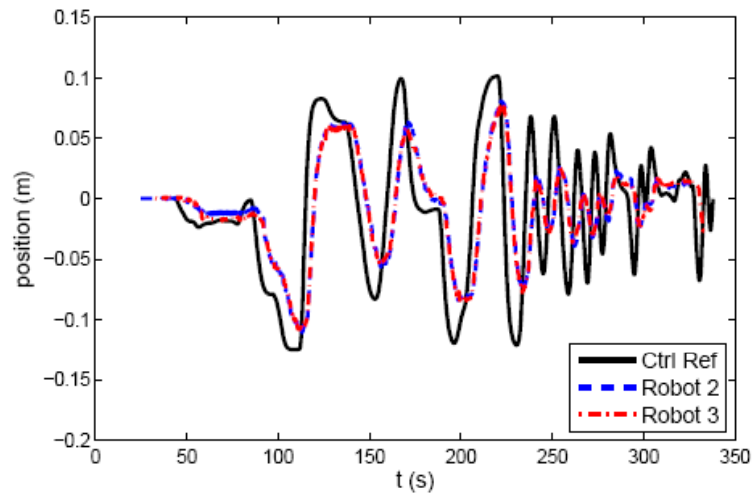
Experimental Setup



- Two CrustCrawler robotic arms
 - 4 DOF with AX-12 smart servos at each joint
- Novint haptic paddle
- Five networked Windows PCs with Matlab/Simulink



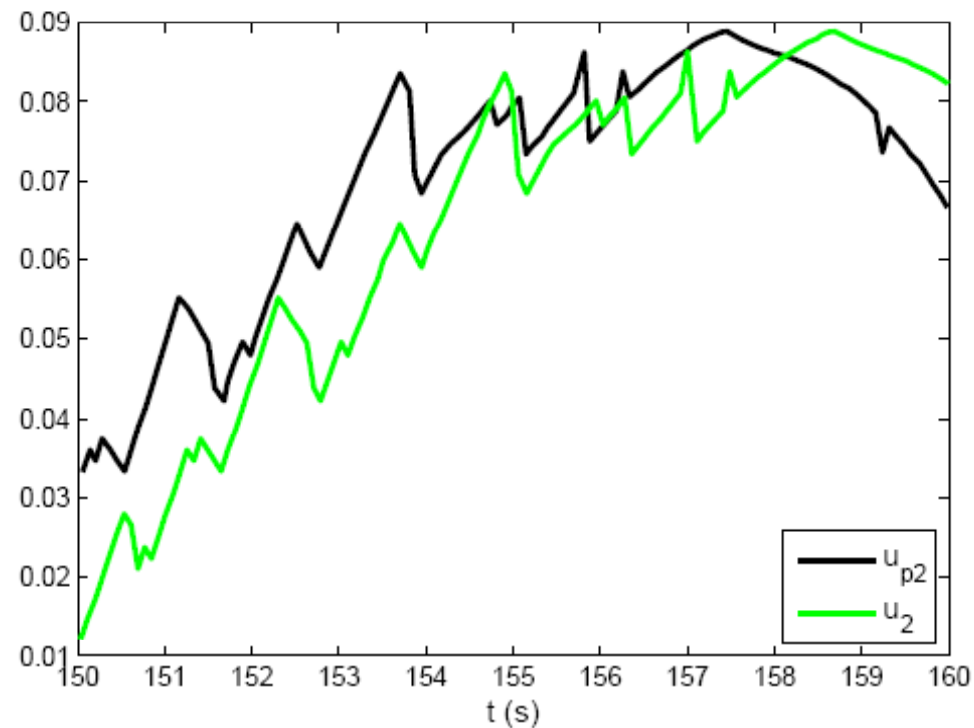
Experiment 1: Nominal Case



x-y-z coordinates and angle of joint 2 of reference, robot 2, and robot 3



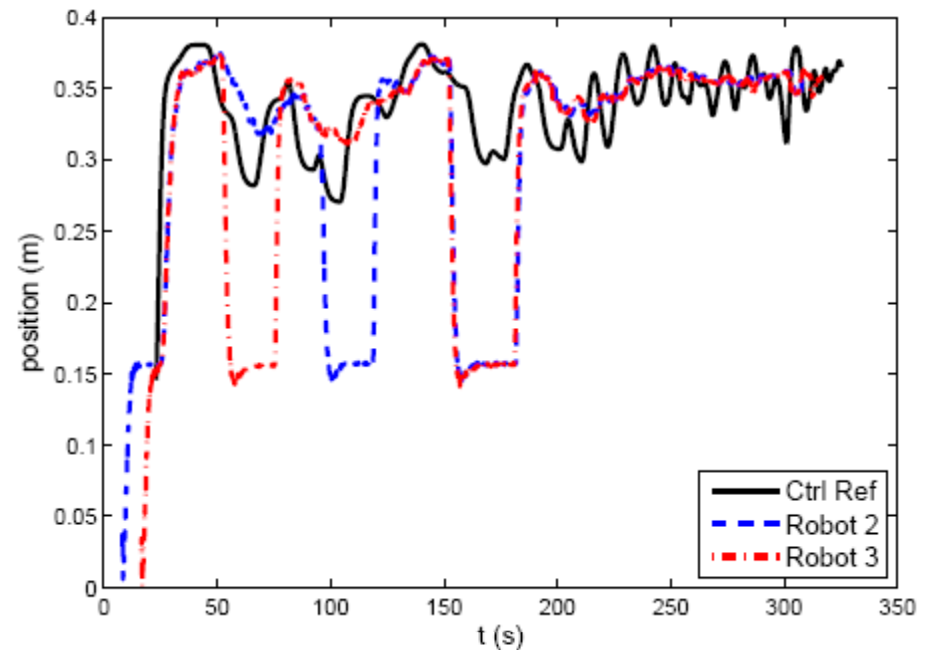
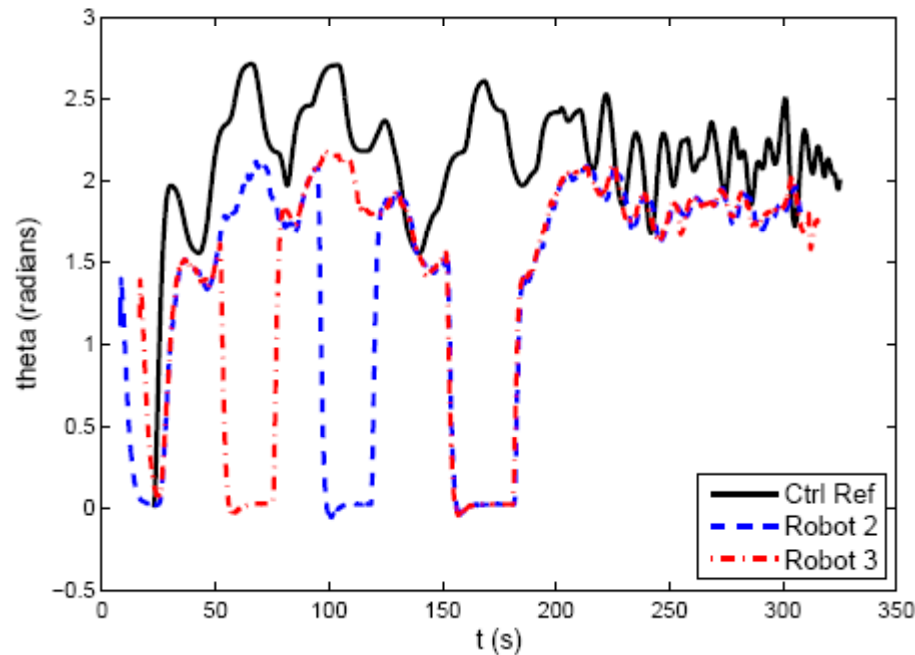
Experiment 1: Time Delay



Time Delay Between Robot 2 and Power Junction



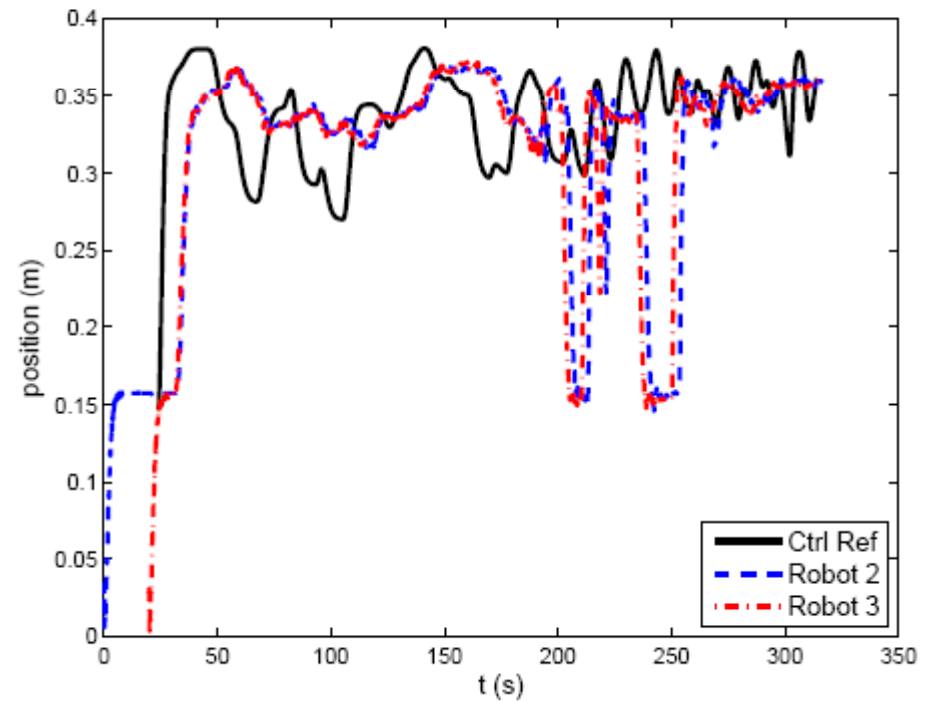
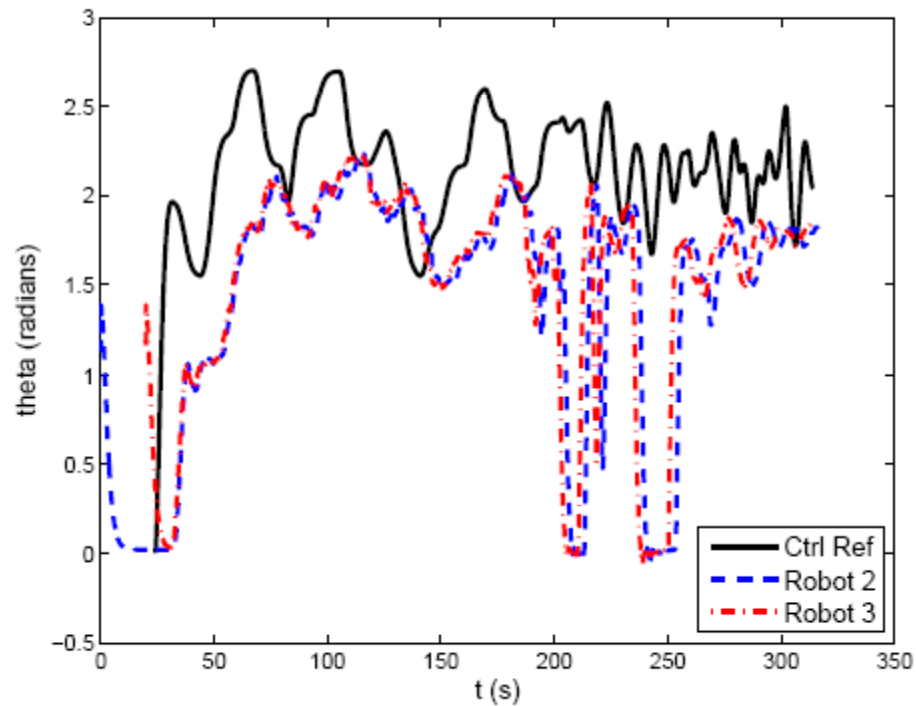
Experiment 2: Persistent Link Interruptions



Angle of joint 3 and y coordinate of reference, robot 2, and robot 3



Experiment 2: Intermittent Wireless Connection



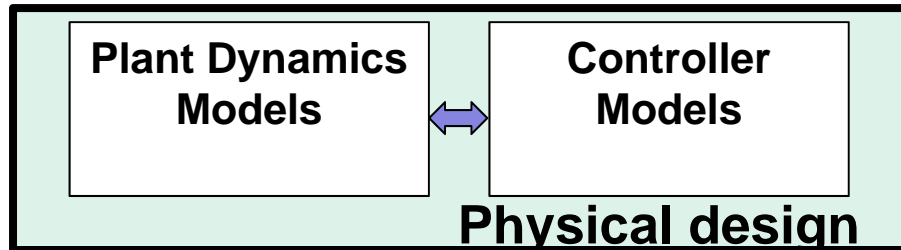
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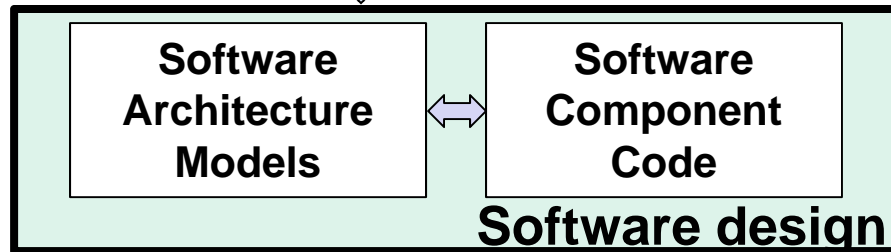


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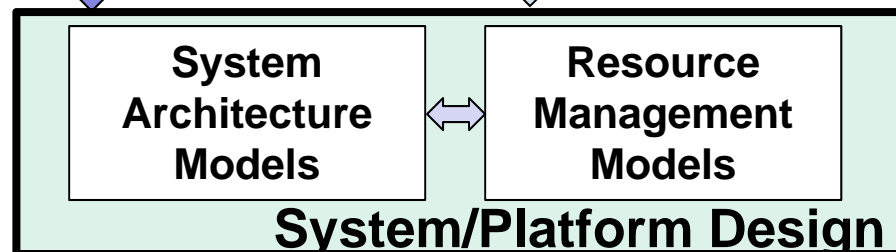
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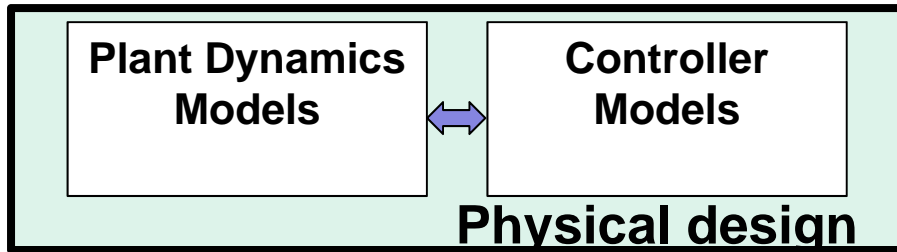
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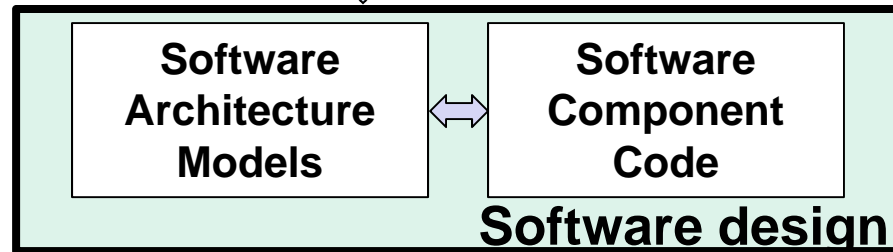


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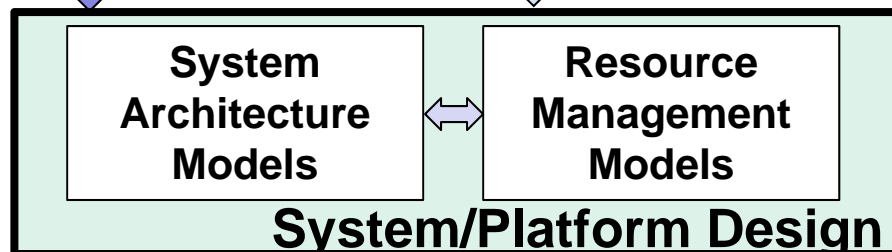
Controller dynamics is developed using passivity-based design. Current work focuses on performance optimization and safety.

Assumption: Time varying delays do not impact stability.



Software models need to be verified for essential properties e.g. deadlock freeness. -> **BIP**

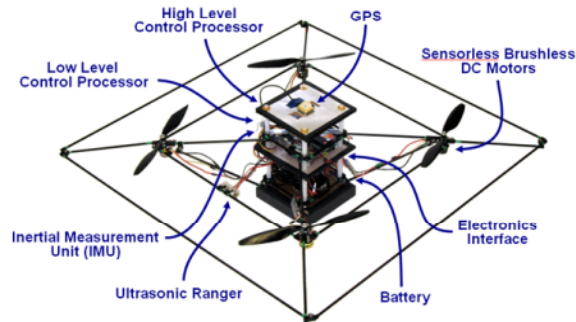
Assumption: Effects of platform on properties can be analyzed



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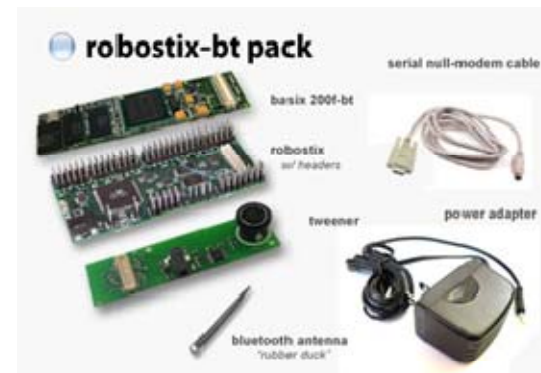


Experimental Platform



**Real-time Simulation
Platform 'Virtual plant'**

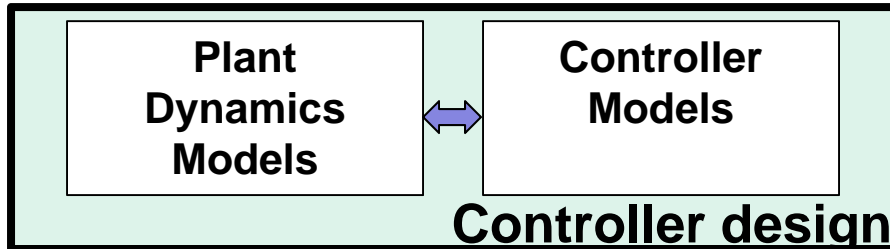
- Gumstix/Robostix



- Linux + AVR micro
- TT Virtual Machine on Linux/UDP + FreeRTOS
- No fault tolerance (yet)

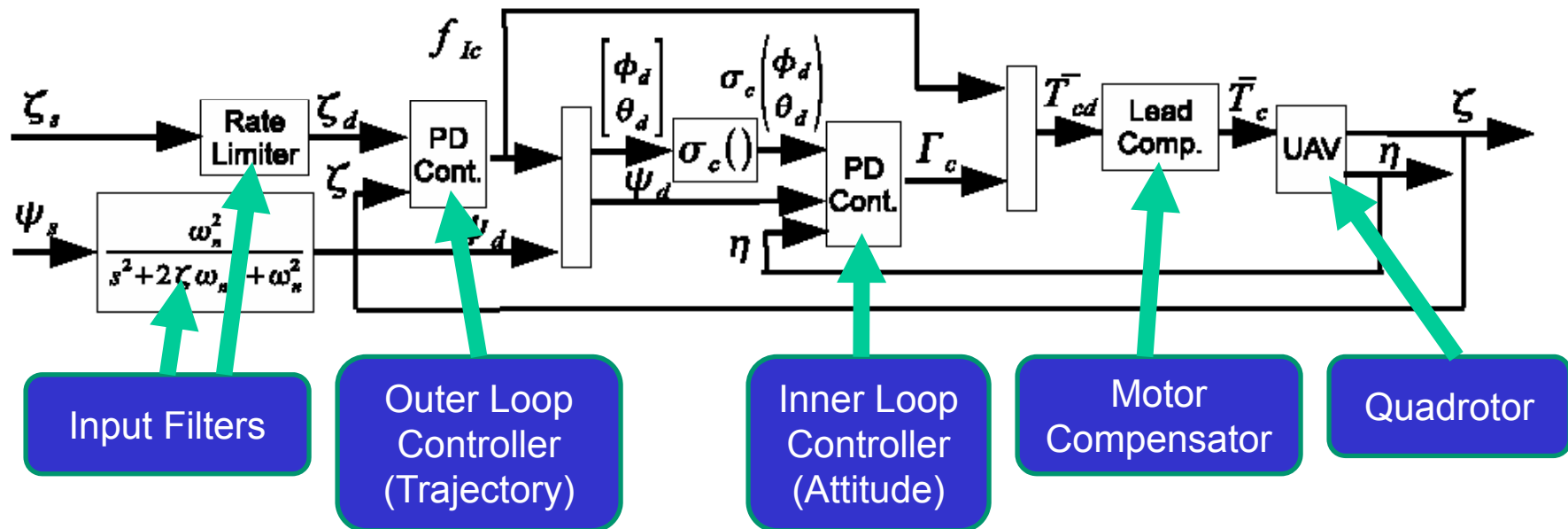


Design Flow: Passive Controllers



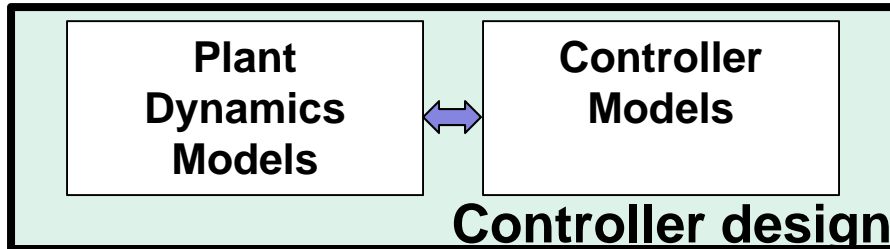
Passive systems are robust to network delays and quantization errors. We can design controllers to “passify” many systems that are not quite passive.

Quadrotor Control Architecture

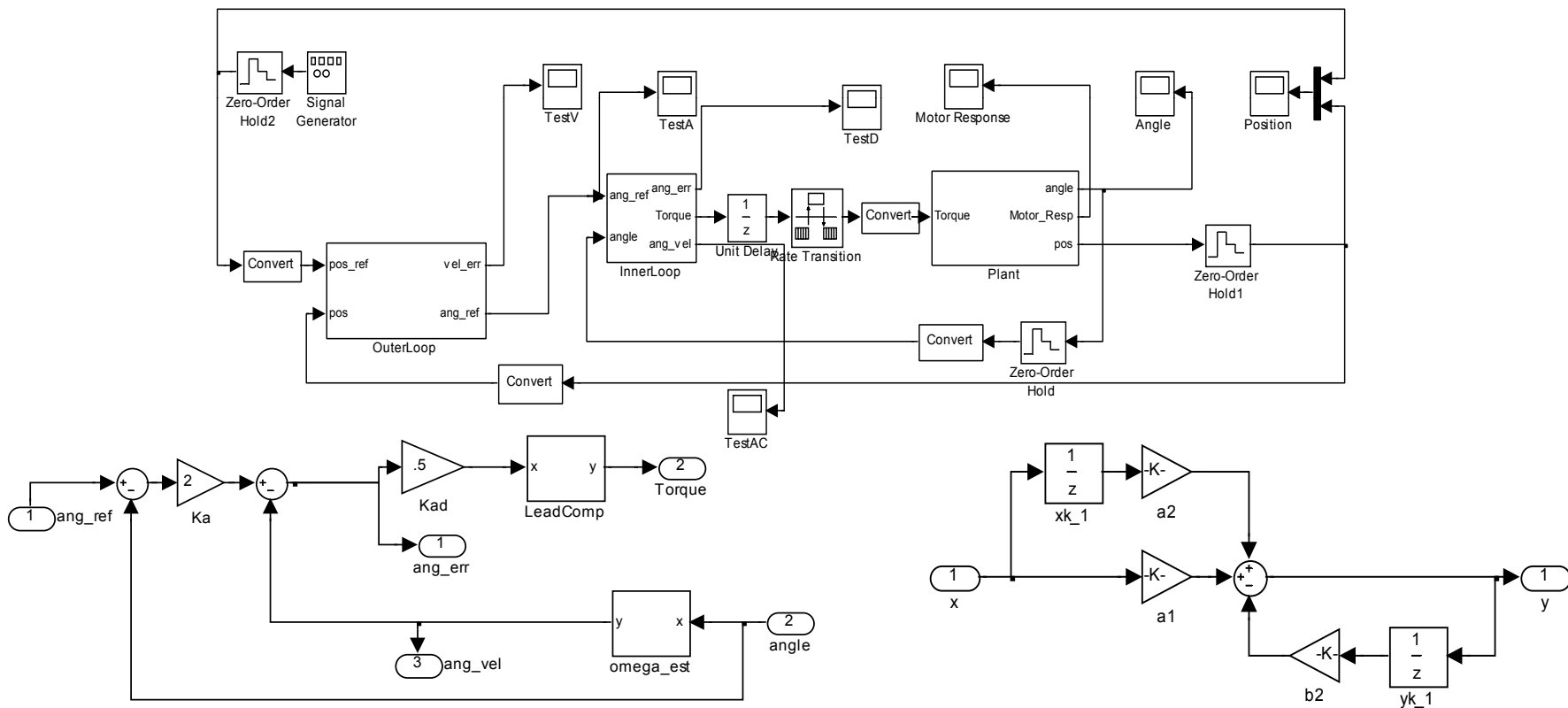


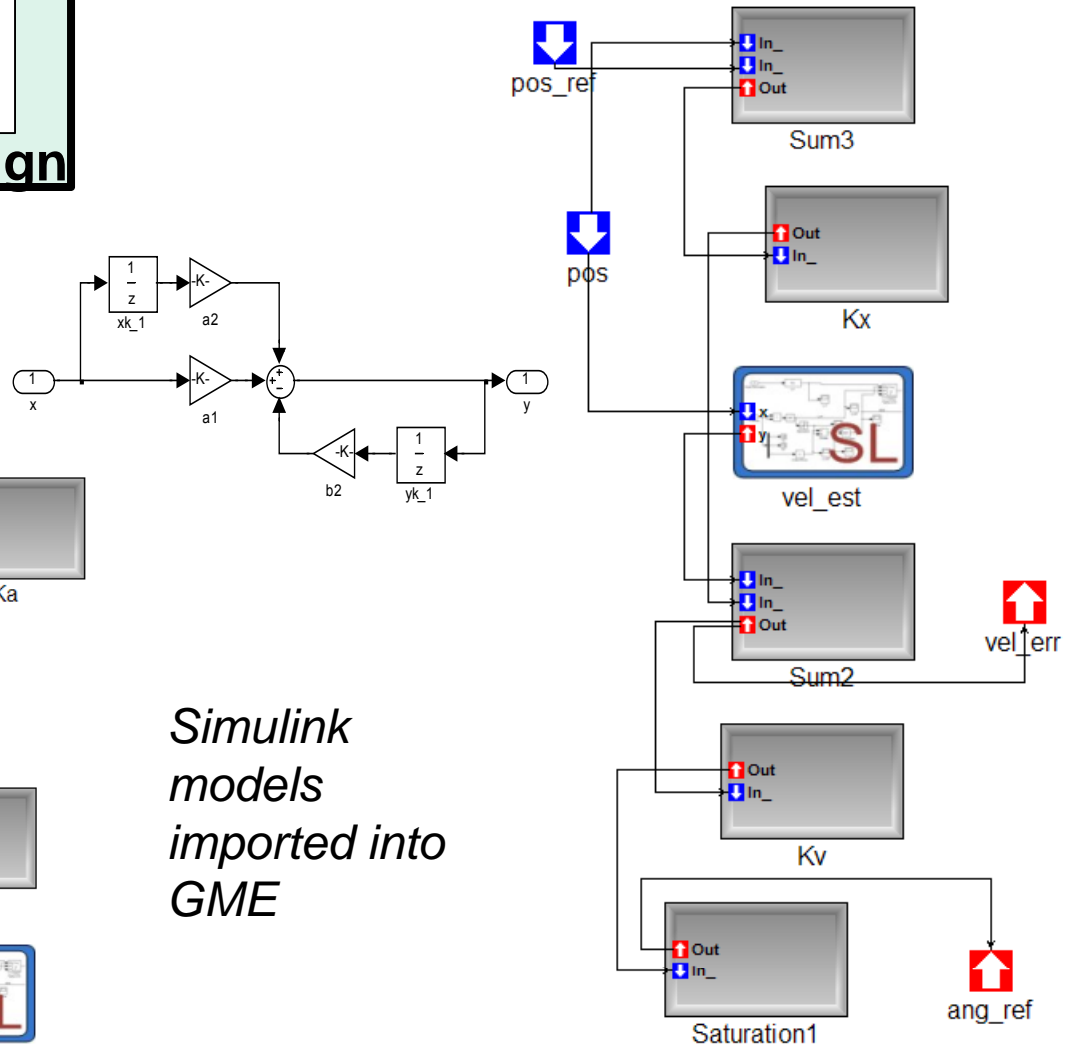
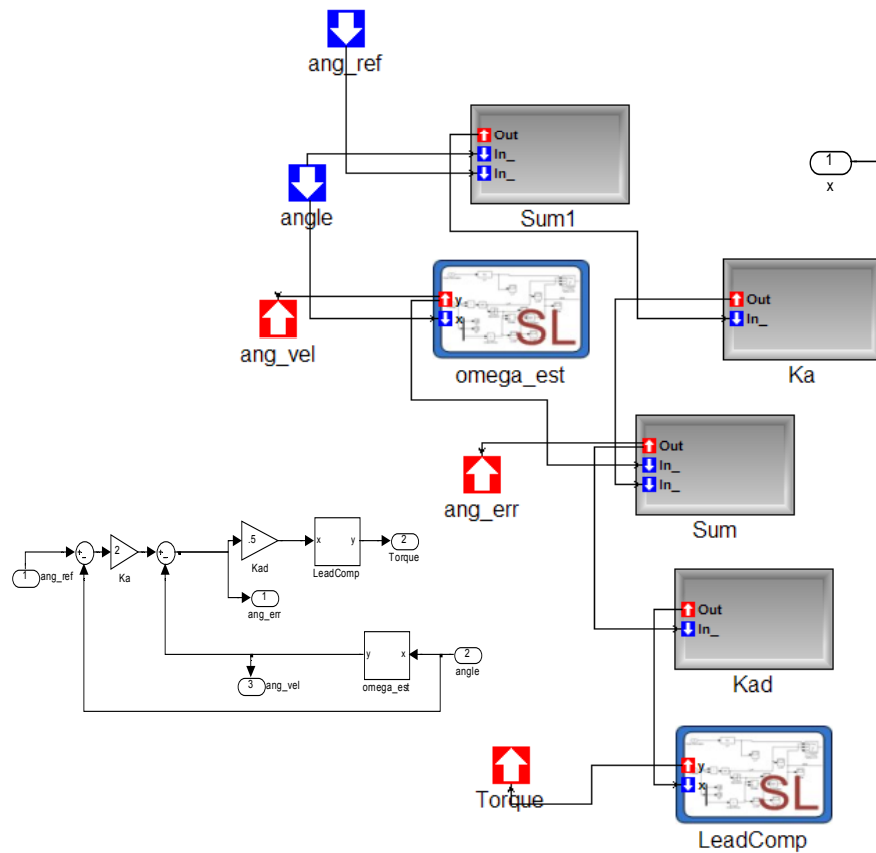
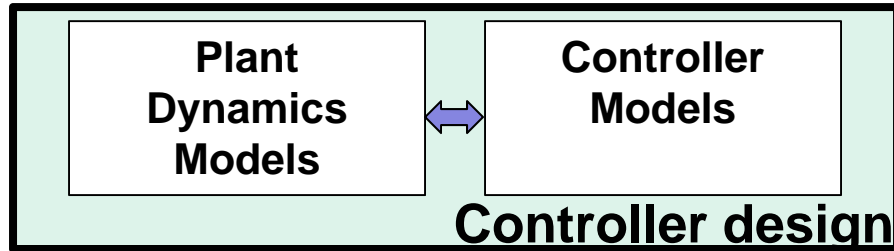


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Simulink for control design

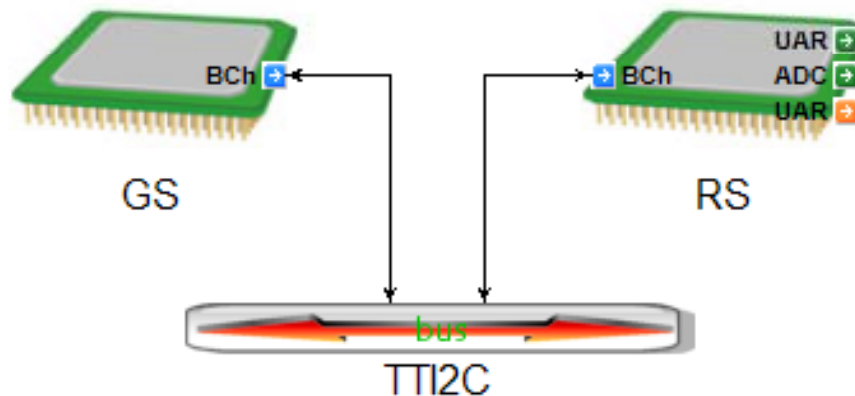




Simulink models imported into GME



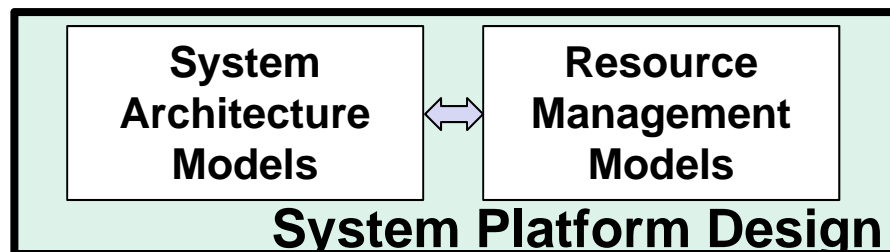
Design Flow: Platform



Two processors connected by a time-triggered bus

System timing parameters are captured here:

- *fundamental tick time of processing units*
- *data transfer setup times*
- *bus rates*

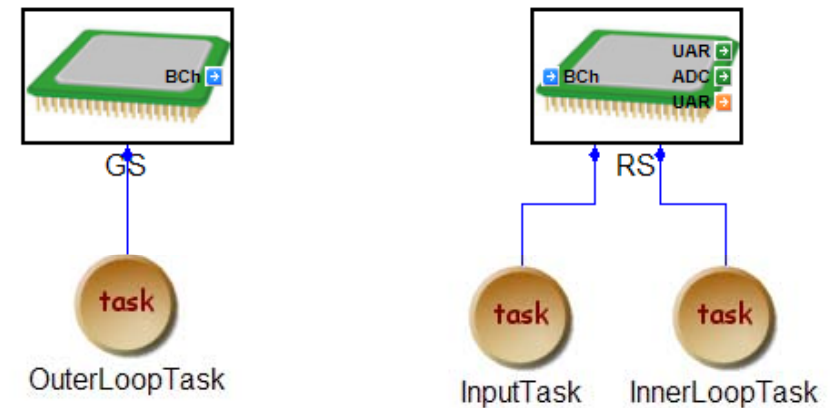
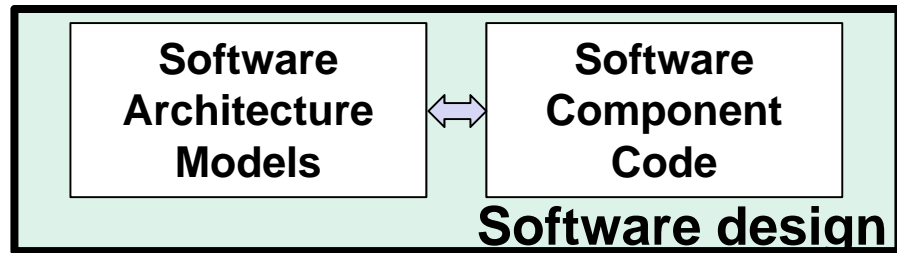




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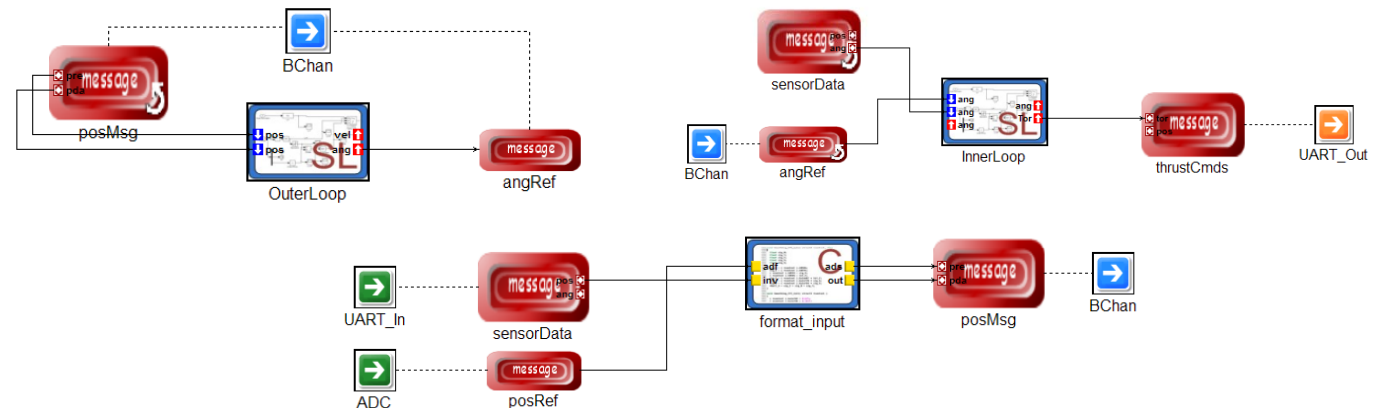


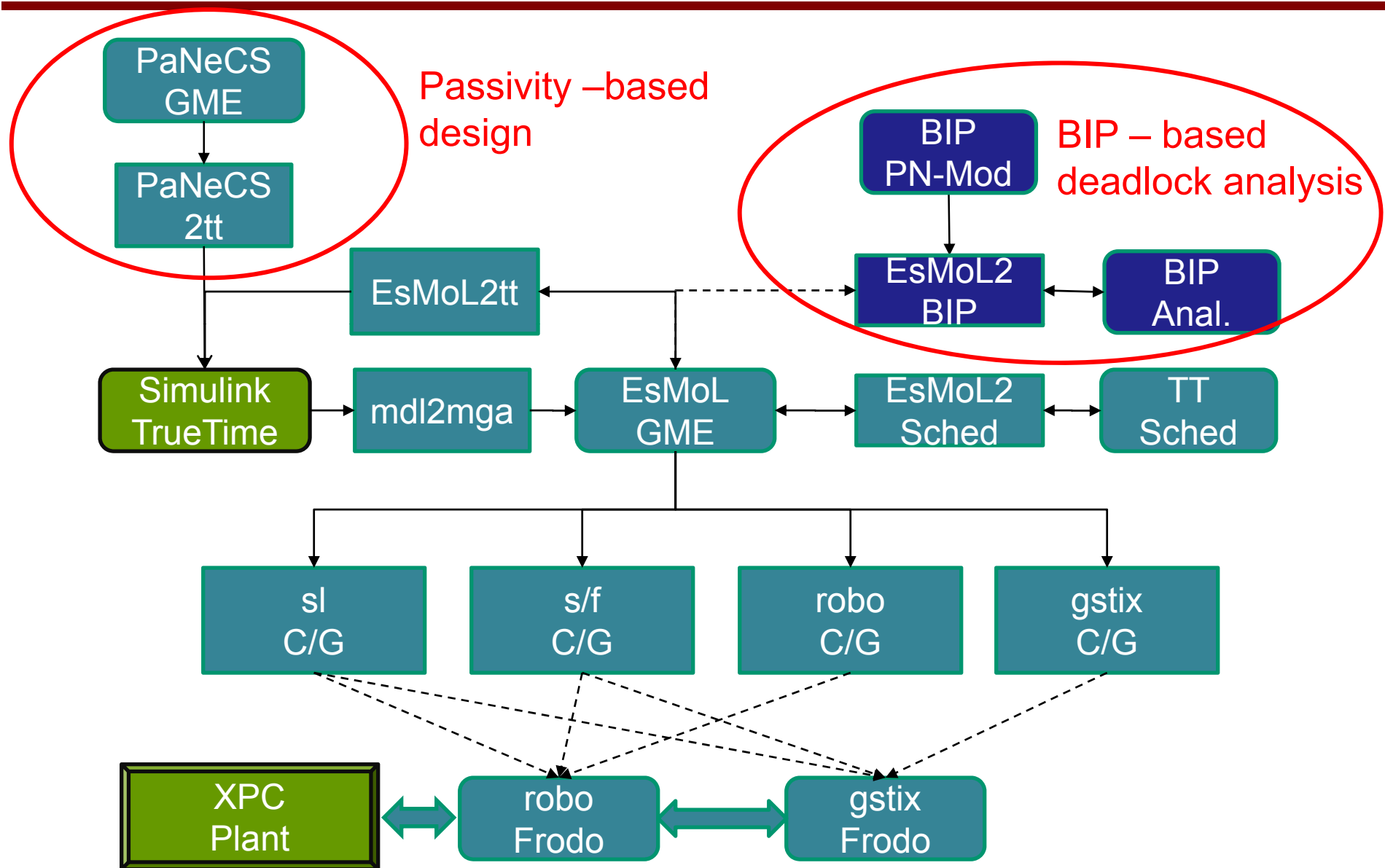
*Software
architecture
(types and
dependencies)*



*Deployment
details:*

- *tasks*
- *messages*
- *processor
assignments*







Summary



- **Composition in heterogeneous systems requires decoupling among design concerns**
- **Decoupling requires significant effort, but the benefits are also significant: this is the primary tool for decreasing complexity**
- **There is a performance tradeoff; in safety critical systems it still may be the right choice.**



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Passive Up-sampling and Down-sampling



- Because of bandwidth constraints, the local digital controllers for each robot run at a faster rate than the network controller
- Ensure that no **energy** is generated, and thus passivity is preserved
- Passive down-sampling

$$u_{\text{pDS}k_k}(j) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=M(j-1)}^{Mj-1} u_{\text{pk}_k}^2(i)} \text{sgn}\left(\sum_{i=M(j-1)}^{Mj-1} u_{\text{pk}_k}(i)\right)$$

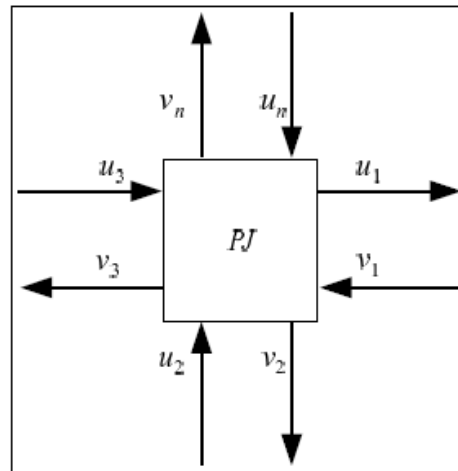
- Passive up-sampling

$$v_{\text{pk}_k}(i) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{M}} v_{\text{pDS}k_k}(j-1), \quad i = Mj, \dots, M(j+1) - 1$$

where $i = \left\lfloor \frac{t}{T_s} \right\rfloor$ and $j = \left\lfloor \frac{t}{MT_s} \right\rfloor$



Power Junction



- Compose a network in which multiple passive plants can be interconnected to multiple passive controllers
- Interconnect wave variables from multiple controllers and plants such that the total power input is always greater than or equal to the total power output

$$\sum_{k=m+1}^n (u_k^T u_k - v_k^T v_k) \geq \sum_{j=1}^m (u_j^T u_j - v_j^T v_j)$$