Design and Verification of Real-Time and Communicating Software

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I INTRODUCTION

Design

- **Define** properties, scenarios or services
- Design Phases
 - Spec, Val, Impl, Test
- Hierarchy of Design Steps
 - Mechanisms, components, modules, levels, etc
- Using models
 - Physical and Logical models
 - Software and Hierarchical models

System Models

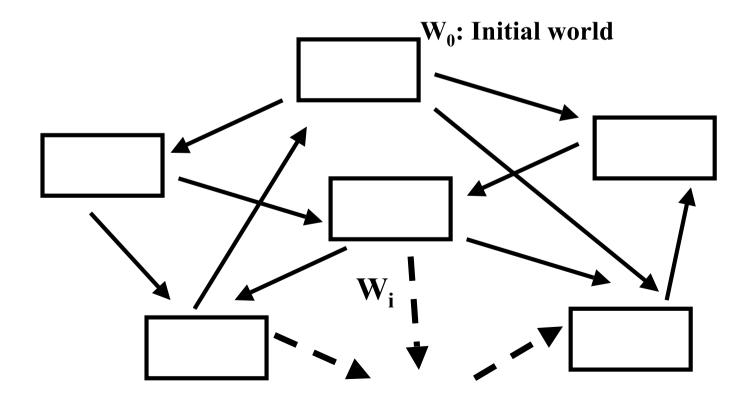
- **Basic Models**
 - Extended (Timed, etc) Petri Nets
 - Extended State Machines
 - Extended Process Algebra
- **Description Techniques**
 - Formal: Estelle, SDL, Lotos (FDTs for Protocols)
 - Estelle and SDL, Extended State Machine oriented
 - Lotos, Extended Process Algebra oriented
 - Semi-Formal:
 - **UML** (the pioneer)
 - AADL, SysML, UML2 (Object oriented, including SDL)

From Design to Verification

- For Each phase/level, as soon as possible, using a global model/representation of the system,
 Verify or Simulate its behaviour
- Verification based on Modal Logic
 - Because values of propositions evolve dynamically
 - Axiomatic proofs not automatic and difficult
 - Semantic proofs from Kripke Structure
- Kripke Structure (set of connected Worlds)
 - Primitive Predicate symbols (p, q, r,...)
 - Interpretations for p, ~p, and, or, .. for a world W_i
 - Modalities from a set of worlds connected by a relation R

Semantics in Modal Logic

- The worlds are the system states
- R is accessibility relation between worlds (global behaviour)
- Technical approaches and tools based on the graph (whatever defined) by (Linear or) Branching Modal Logic



From Telecommunications to Embedded and Internet Systems

- Embedded Systems
 - Architectures
 - Behaviour
 - **Properties** (functional and non functional (time, energy, ...))
 - Models, Verification, Evaluation
- Internet Systems
 - Architectures
 - Behaviour and Performances
 - (Minimal) Acceptable Non Optimal design : Best Effort
 - Simulations (mainly of implementations)

II EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

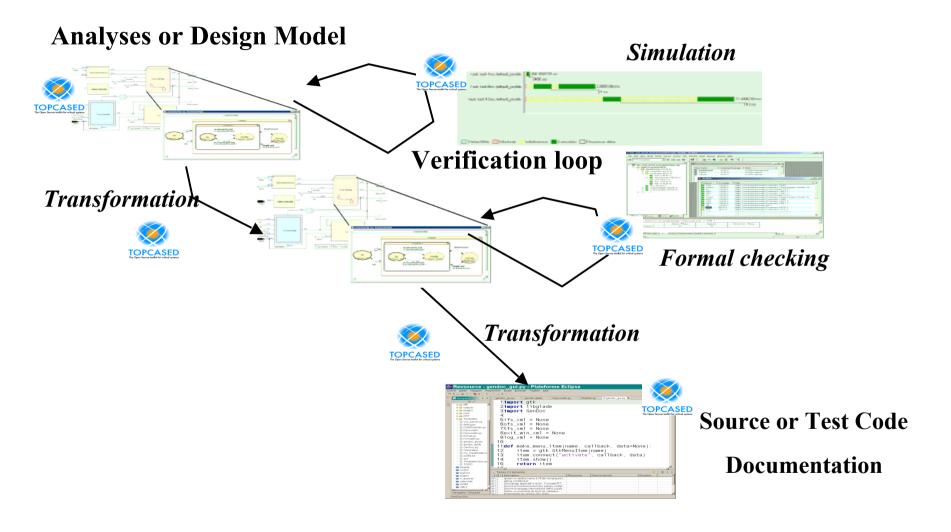
Embbeded systems based on

- System Specification and Requirements
- Design steps
 - Technologies to mechanisms
 - to equipments to architectures
- Models
- Verification
 - Full behaviour and Properties
 - Automatic by Tools
- Design supports
 - Formal, Verified Designs, e.g. TOPCASED

TOPCASED Project Overview

- Open Source system development environment
- Implementing an integrated model-based development process
 - from system specification
 - to the final product, including formal verification.
- Reduce development costs by optimised process and tools
- Integrate MDE and formal verification by
 - Meta-Modeling, Process modeling
 - Model Verification, simulation, static analysis
 - Model Transformations

TOPCASED

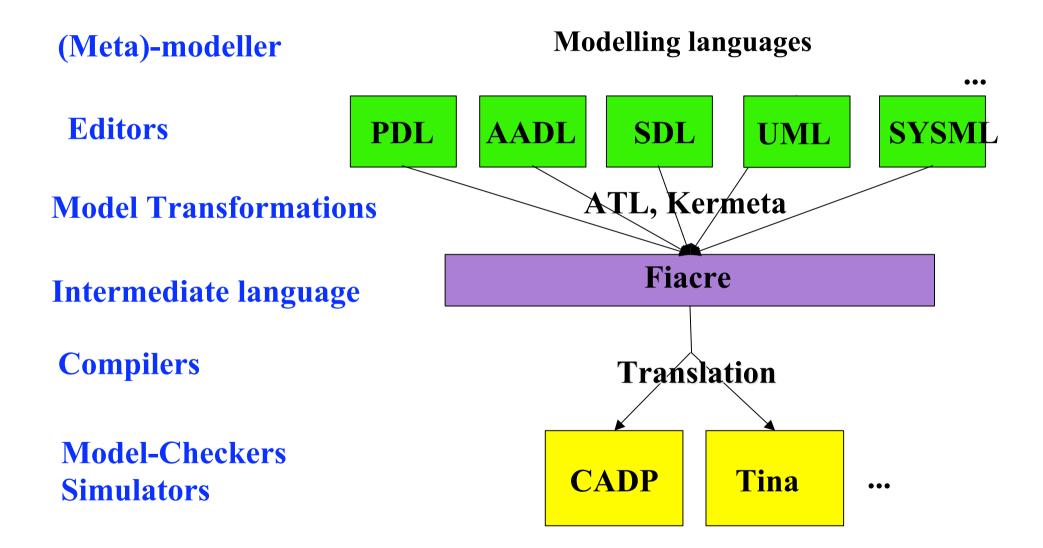




Configuration, Change and Requirement management tools communication



Intermediate Langage : Fiacre



Fiacre Example

type request is union get_sum, get_value of index end ...

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process ATM [req : in request, resp : out nat] is
states ready, send_sum, send_value
var c : request, i : index, sum : nat, val : data := [6, 2, 7, 9]
init to ready
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```
from ready
  req ?c
  case c of
    get_sum → to send_sum
    get_value (i) → to send_value
    end
```

```
from send_value
resp !val[i];
to ready
```

```
from send_sum
sum, i := 0, 0;
while i < 3 do
sum, i := sum + val[i], i + 1
end;
sum := sum + val[i];
resp !sum;
to ready</pre>
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Verification by PN Based models and TINA

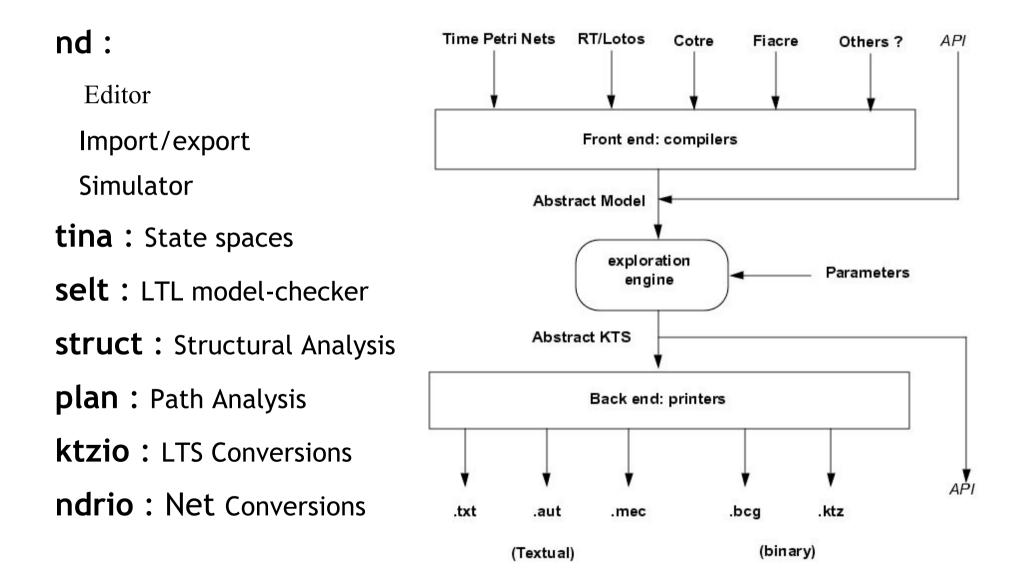
• Including Time

- Time Petri Nets (intervals on transitions)
- Analysis based on State Classes (symbolic, DBMs)
- And Priorities
- And Suspension/Resumption
 - Time Petri Nets + Stopwatches
 - State Classes + Over-approximations

• And Data

- Time Transition Systems (TS + Time) & High Level Descript

TINA Tool box (Time PN Analyser)



III INTERNET SYSTEMS

Internet Systems

- Two approaches
 - 1. from architecture to layers
 - 1. from layers to entities1
 - -2. from mechanisms to protocols
 - 2. From protocols to entities2
- Design efforts
 - From Best-Effort to QoS Internet &
 - -to Guaranteed QoS, e.g. EuQoS

QoS Internet

- From QoS Applications
- How to derive networks and architectures
- satisfying QoS Bandwidth and Time requirements

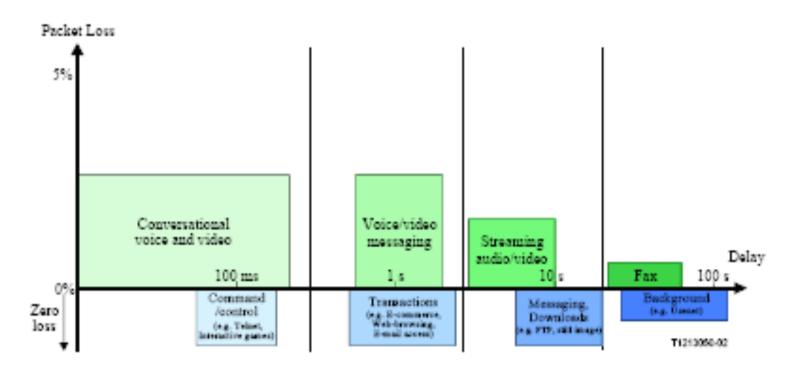
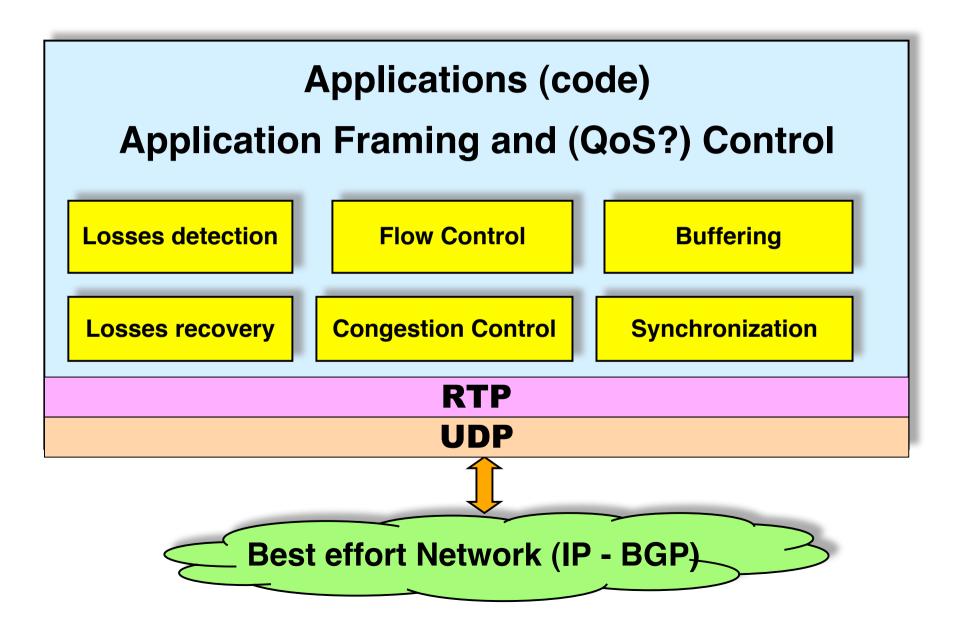


Figure 1/G.1010 - Mapping of user-centric QoS requirements

A Best-Effort MULTIMEDIA Architecture



The 3 QoS internet Approaches

- 1. Network Overprovisionning
- 2. Optimised Best-Effort mechanisms, protocols and architectures
- 3. New Internet Architectures to guarantee the QoS

QoS Optimisation

- Start from Best-Effort Internet
 - without modifying the architecture principles
 - using resources/bandwidth available
 - analysing and improving present solutions
- Modify mechanisms and protocols
 - modify applications (adaptativity, new codecs,...)
 - optimise architecture (proxys,...)
 - define new protocols (Transport Layer: DCCP,...)
- **But** still Best-effort (No guarantee)

QoS (hard) Guarantee

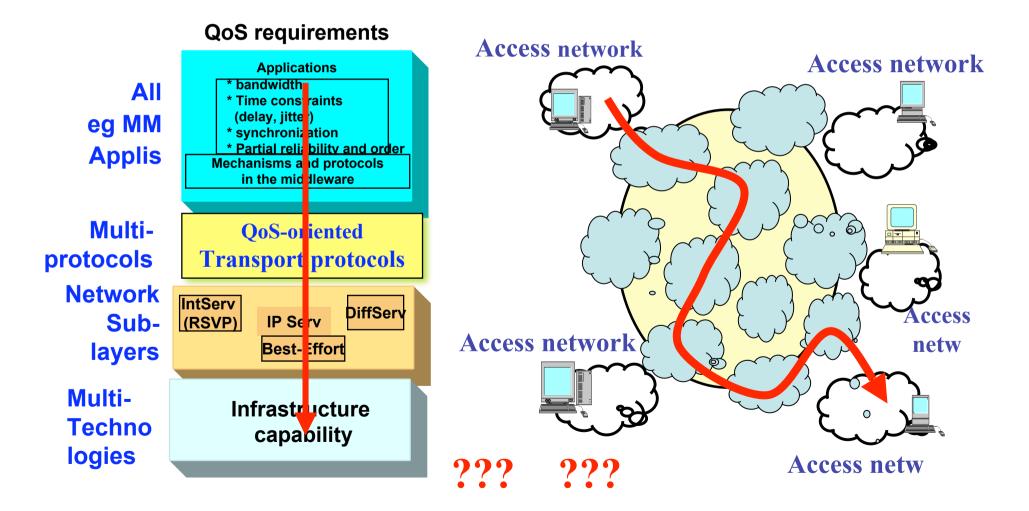
New requirements

- Master the Internet
- **Be as General and Open as the present Internet**
- **Propose** new mechanisms, protocols, architectures
- Handle sessions and resources

Main problems

- Resulting Complexity ?
- Difficulty of Deployment wrt the present internet ?

Vertical (Applis-to-Networks) and Horizontal (Host-to-Host) problems



A lot of work done (for QoS)

- Many mechanisms and protocols
- Many partial architectures

But HOW to INTEGRATE

- in a globally coherent
- and easy to deploy way
- from User to User :
 - Performing mechanisms
 - Their efficient composition in needed protocols
 - ALL protocols, e.g. data and services

EuQoS : Design Meta-Rules

- Design the complete architecture

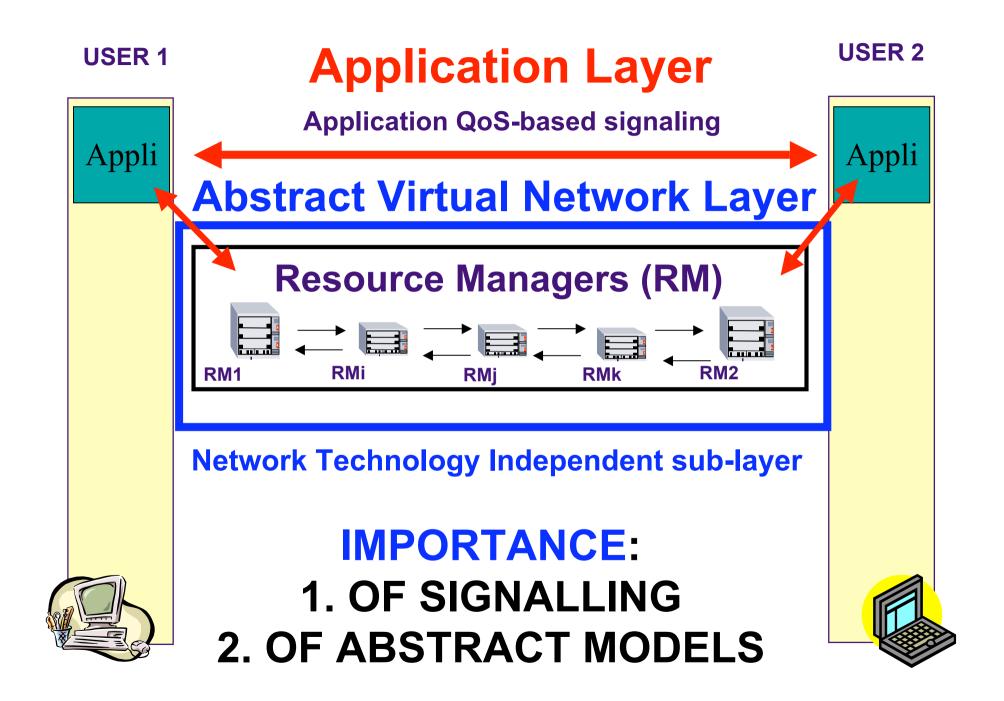
Mechanisms designed isolated from global context have a low probability to lead to satisfactory solution

- End2End identical solutions cannot work given the complex and geographical topology,

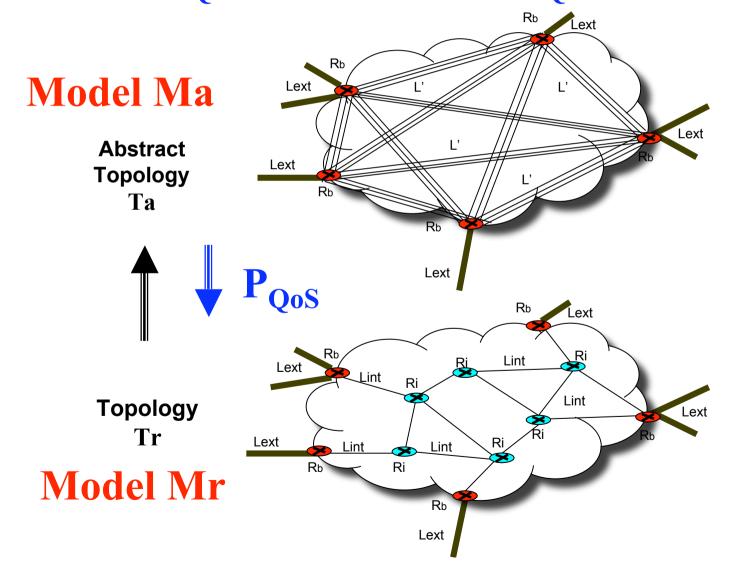
the approach must handle diversity

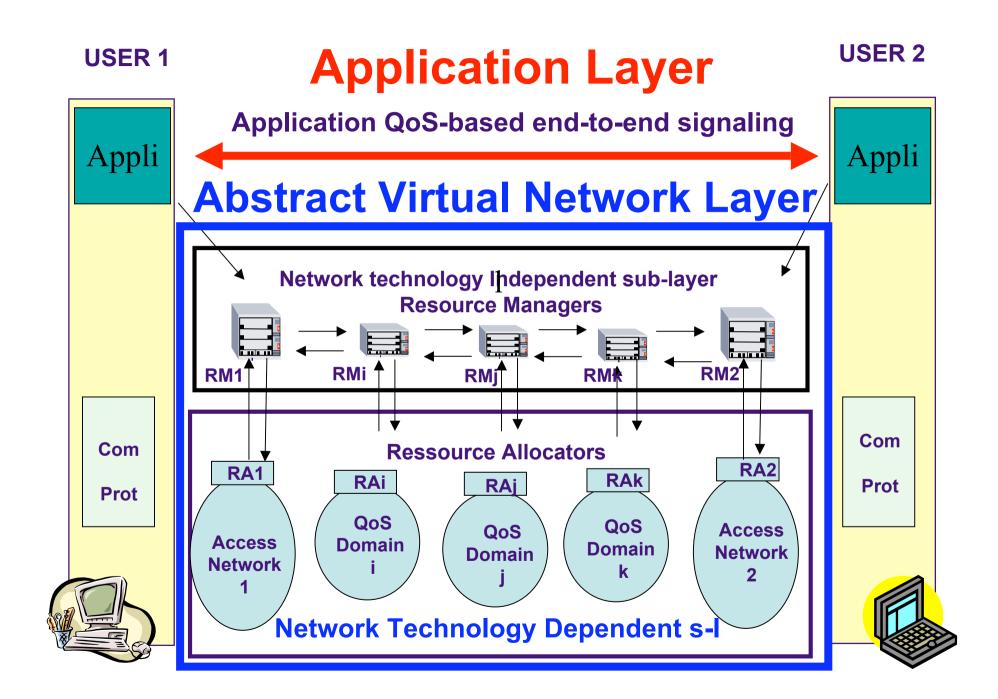
- Only key Signalling/Interfaces to be defined Freedom to be given to designers in each technology to develop their most efficient solutions

=> Virtualize and Abstract Domains



Abstract Models in RMs Ex: F (Border Routers) such that : P_{OoS} on Ta(Ma) => P_{OoS} on Tr(Mr)





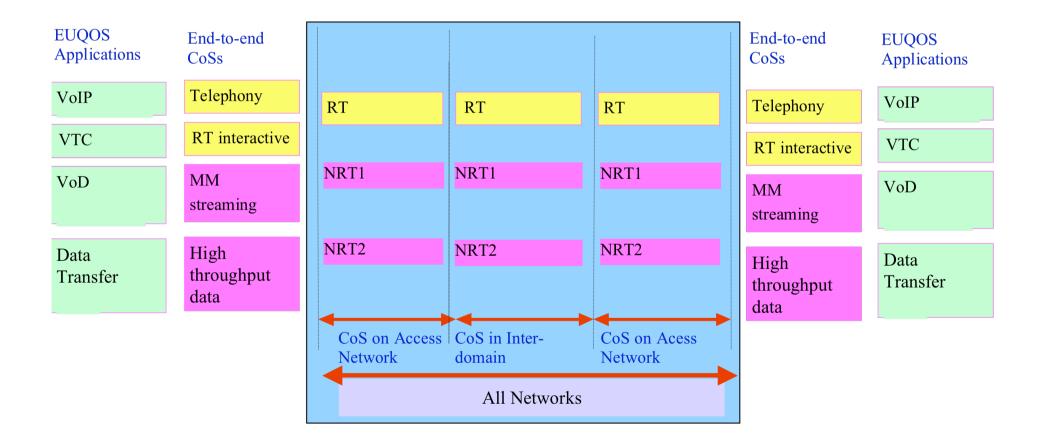
Main Design Steps

- 1. Independence of :
 - Applications wrt Virtual networks wrt
 - Virtual networks wrt Technologies
 - Signaling wrt Data Plane
- 2. Integration of Applis with
 - QoS Invocation (Admission Control)
 - Defined full Architecture
 - Linked to main present solutions
 - Linked to scalability
 - **QoS Network layer : CoS (Classes of Services)**
 - QoS Signalling
 - **QoS Transport layers**

QoS Network Layer: Classes of Services

Classes of Service	EQ-CoS CoSs
RT	Maximum Bandwidth = G
NRT	Minimum Bandwidth = g
BE	No guarantee

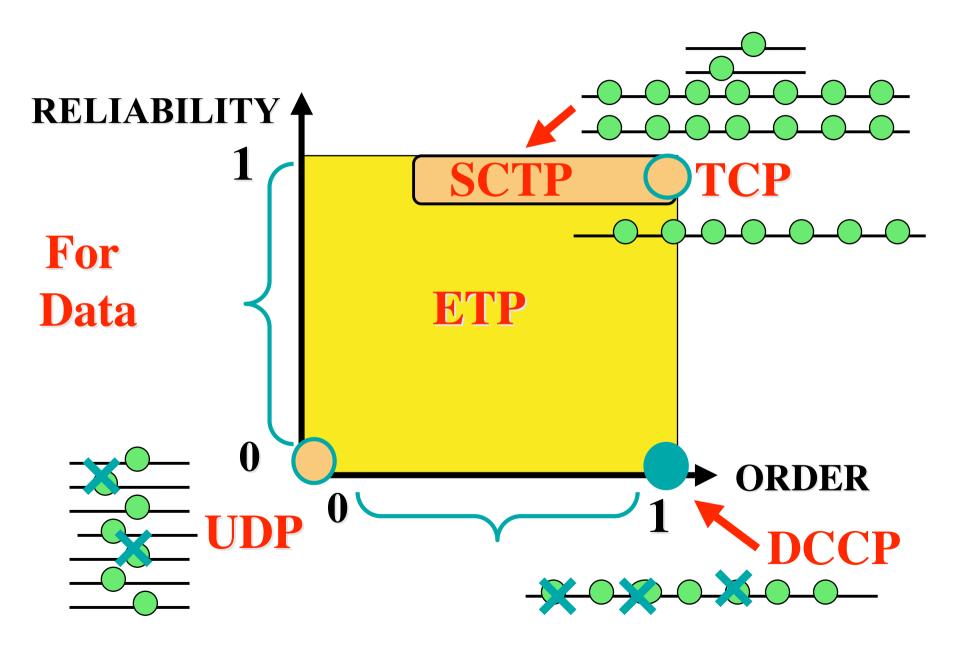
E2E CoSs – aggregated QoS and CoSs for EuQoS



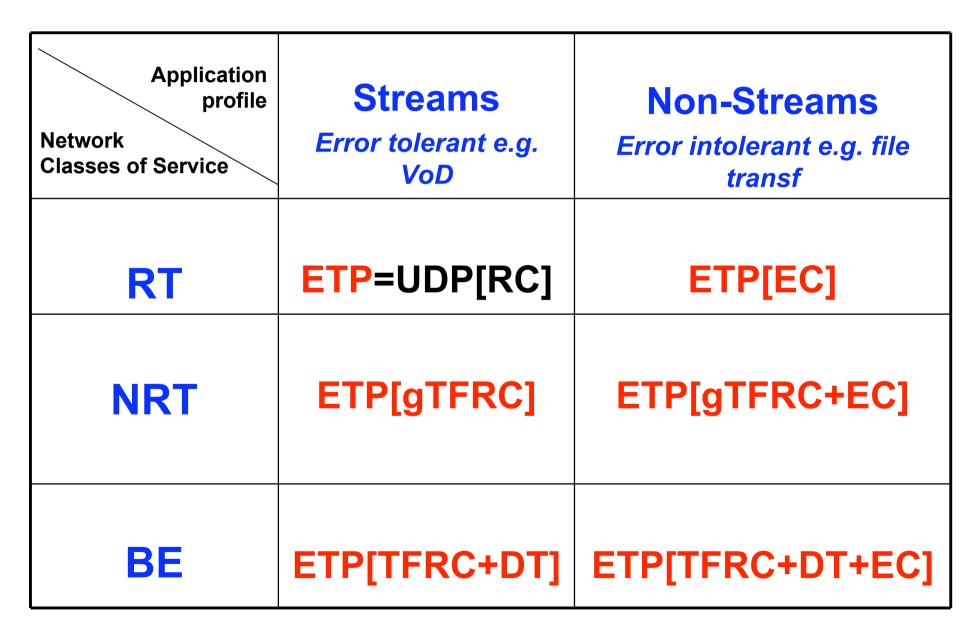
QoS EuQoS SIGNALING (EQ)

- Appli-to-Appli coding: EQ-SDP
- Appli-to-Appli QoS: EQ-SIP
- Appli-to-Virtual network : EQ-QoD
- Virtual Network CoS: EQ-NSIS
- Virtual-to-Real networks: COPS
- 3 classes QoS Routing: EQ-BGP
- End-to-End path: EQ-path
- Telcos MPLS integration: EQ-PCE

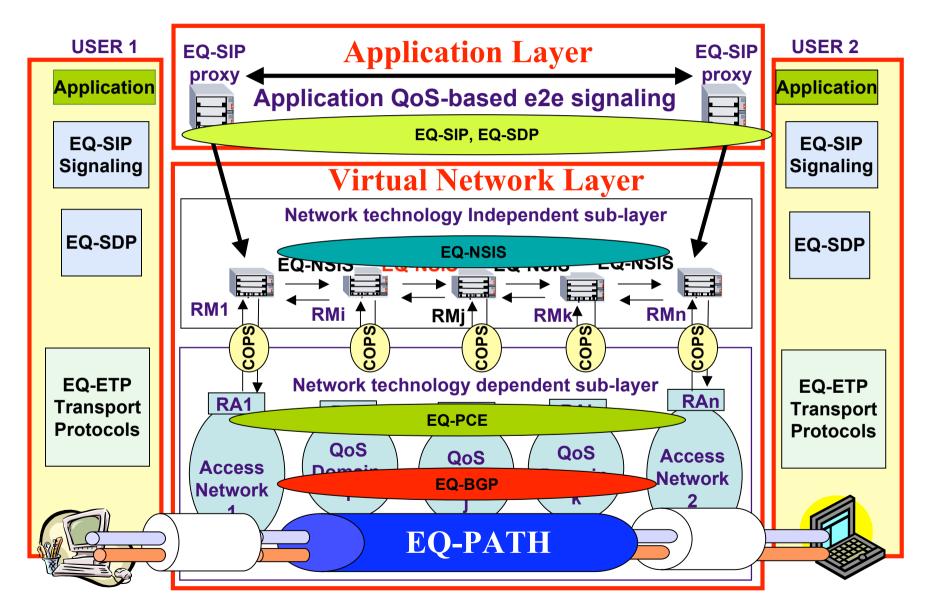
QoS Optimised Transport Layer: ETP



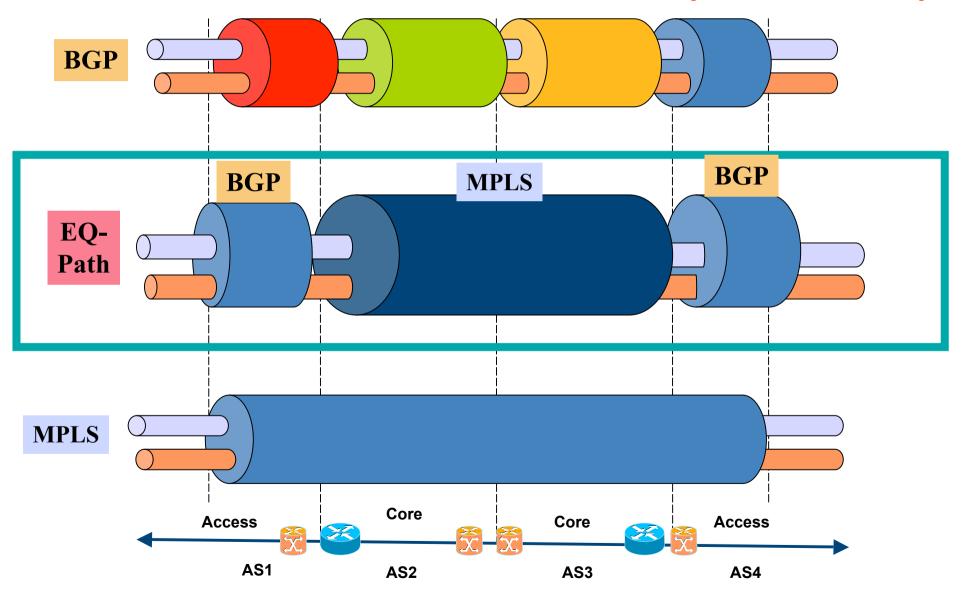
EuQoS EQ-ETP services



Full EuQoS Architecture



The EQ-Path includig domains (BGP-based) and sets of domains (MPLS-PCE)



IV CONCLUSION

The Future of Embedded systems

- Types of systems
 - From SW (timed models) to SW/HW (hybrid systems)
 - Systems of Systems
 - Mobile Systems
 - Distributed and Networked Systems
- Properties, Algorithms and Tools
 - Quantitative analysis
 - Schedulability analysis, consumption
 - High level constructs integrating formal models
 - Scalability: Managing Combinatorial Explosion
 - Compositional verification
 - Parallel model-checking
 - Abstractions (e.g. preserving properties), etc

The Future of Internet systems

- Full mobility
- Network of the future (e.g. GENI, FIRE)
- Internet Virtualisation
 - Virtualised routers able to run in parallel a set of different protocols
- Application-aware networking
- Sensor networks and ad-hoc networks
- Internet of the Things
 - => importance of the sensor & things (values, etc)
- Real-Time internet

Integration

To Go from Embedded system to a (given) sub-set of the Future Internet

- Include some Sensors and Things, with mobility
- Define Real-Time protocols from Applications
- Integrate Multilayering and Composability
- Develop Easily Verifiable Methodology

(Extending adequate methods and tools)

