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Reasoning in Situation-aware Applications

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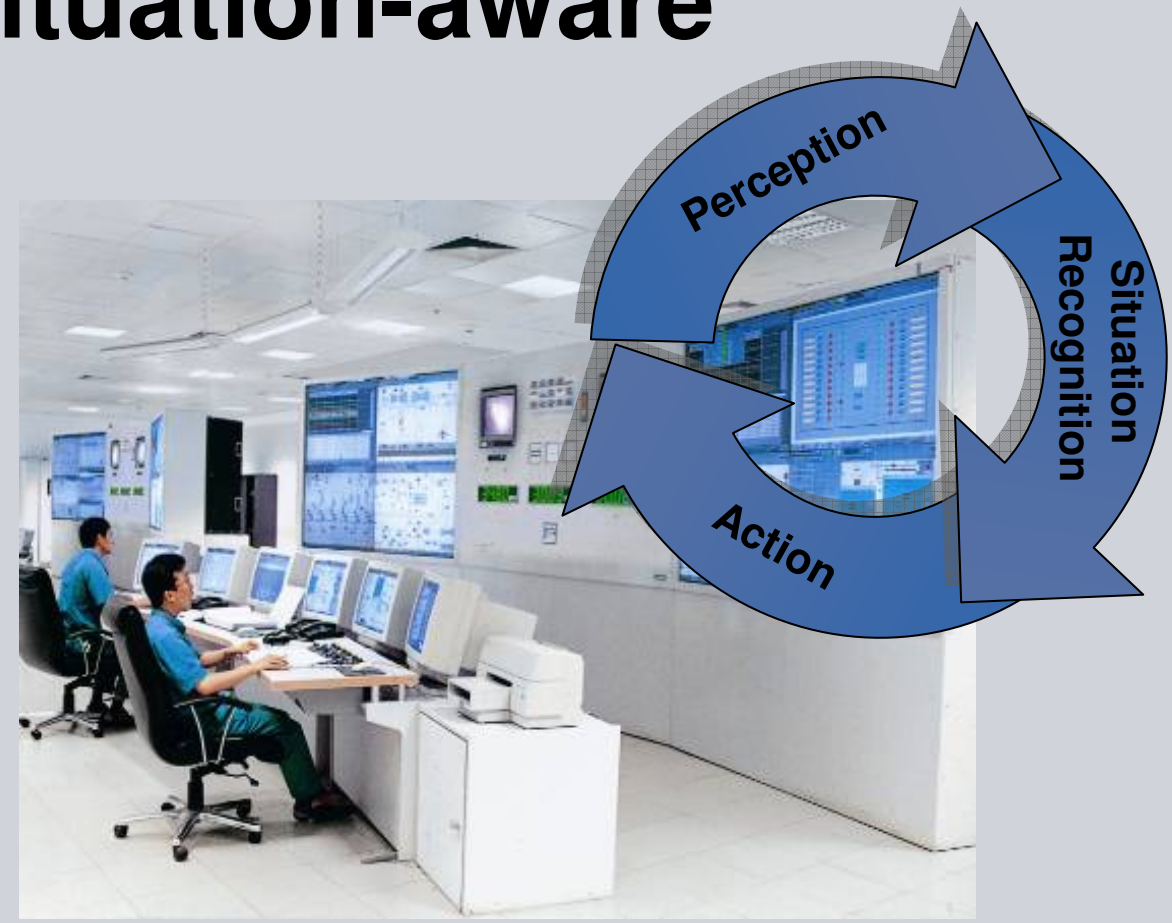

Application Areas of Situation-aware systems

Monitoring of complex technical systems for proactive maintenance and diagnostics

Examples:
- Maintenance of railroad infrastructures
- RFID-based incident management in production and logistics

Monitoring of human behavior to recognize critical situations

Examples:
- Surveillance
- Ambient Assisted Living

Situation-aware Applications: Architectural Blueprint

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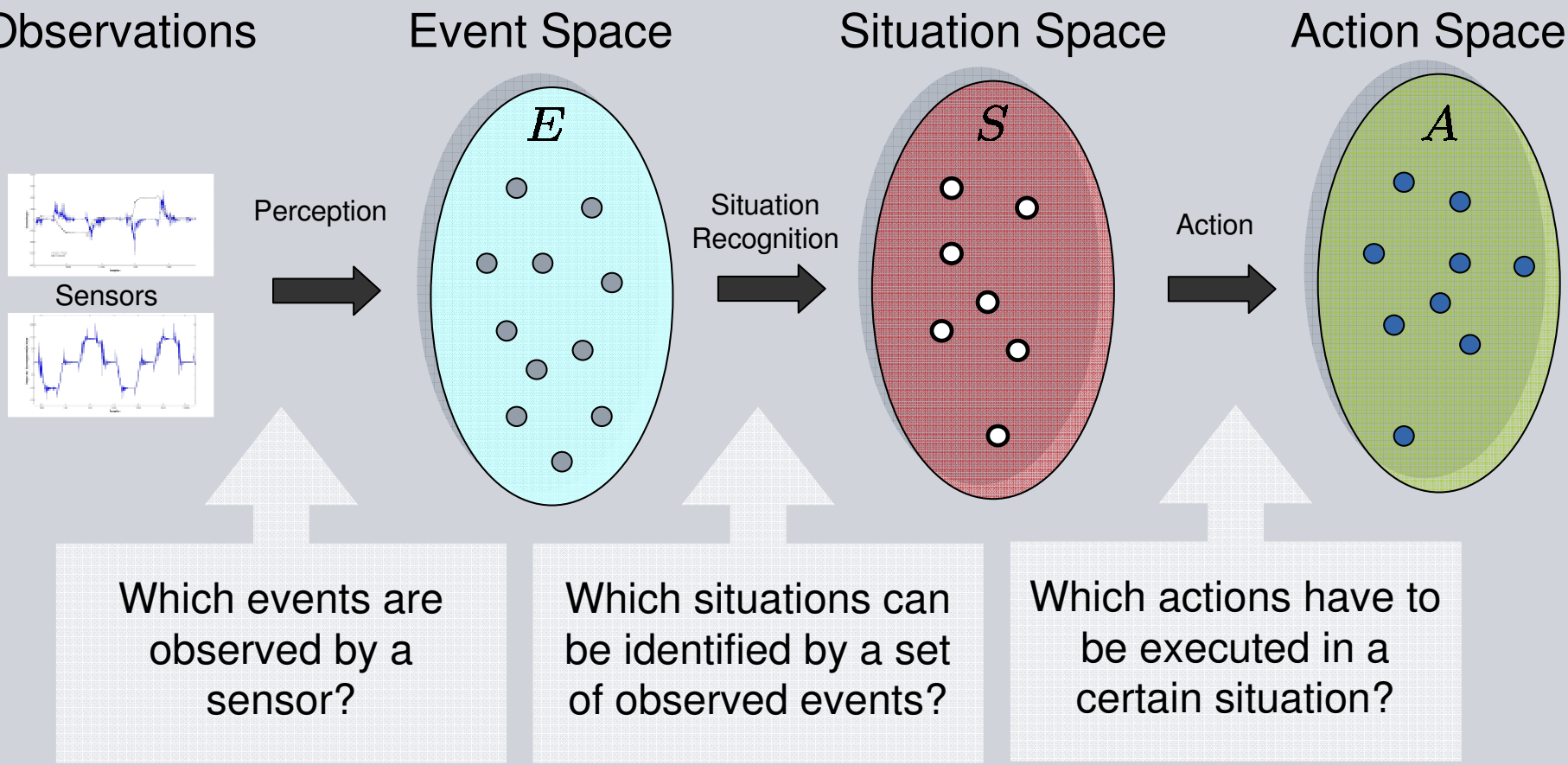

Reasoning based on Semantic Models

Example: Proactive Maintenance for Complex Industrial Processes

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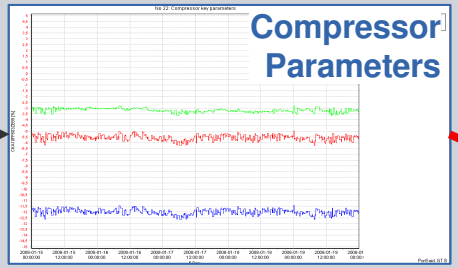

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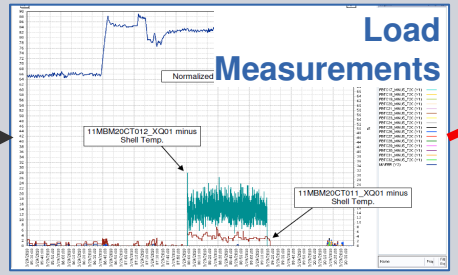

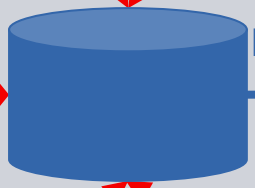

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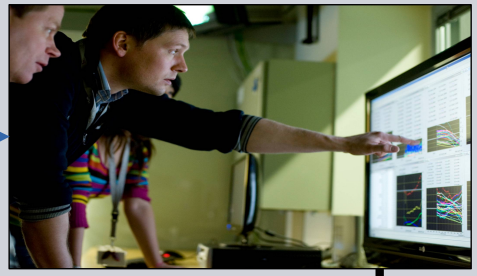

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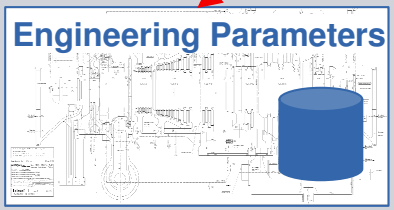

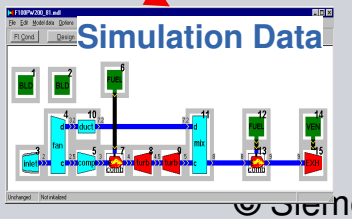

Situation-aware Applications: Challenges for Semantic Technologies

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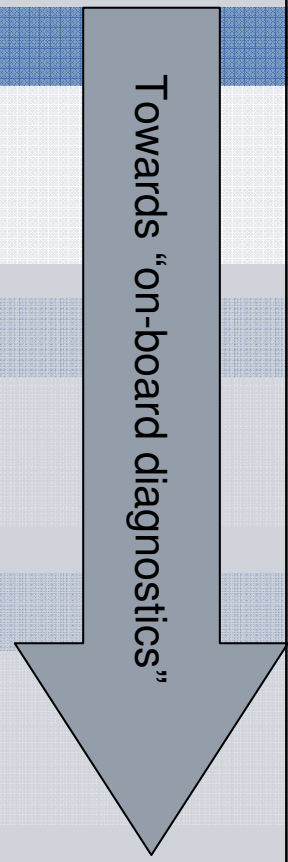

Situation Specification: Event Correlation Language

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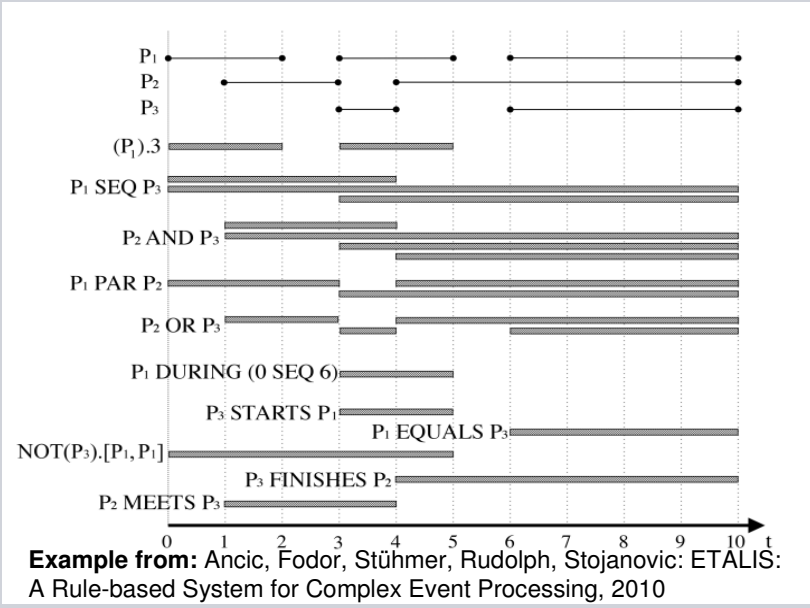
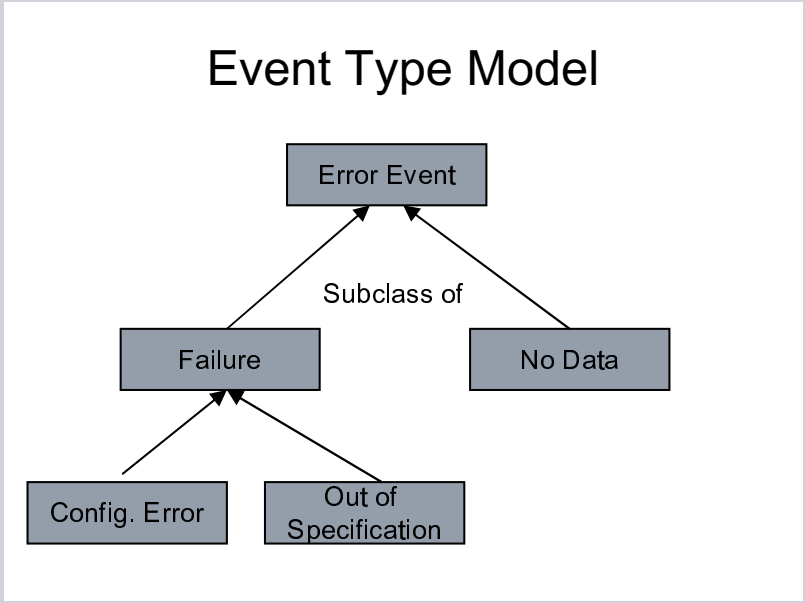
Situation = (temporal, causal) correlation between events

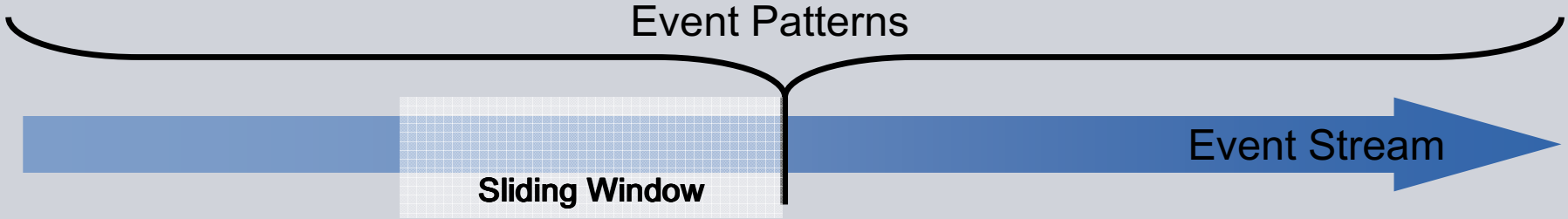
Situations



Example from: Ancic, Fodor, Stühmer, Rudolph, Stojanovic: ETALIS: A Rule-based System for Complex Event Processing, 2010

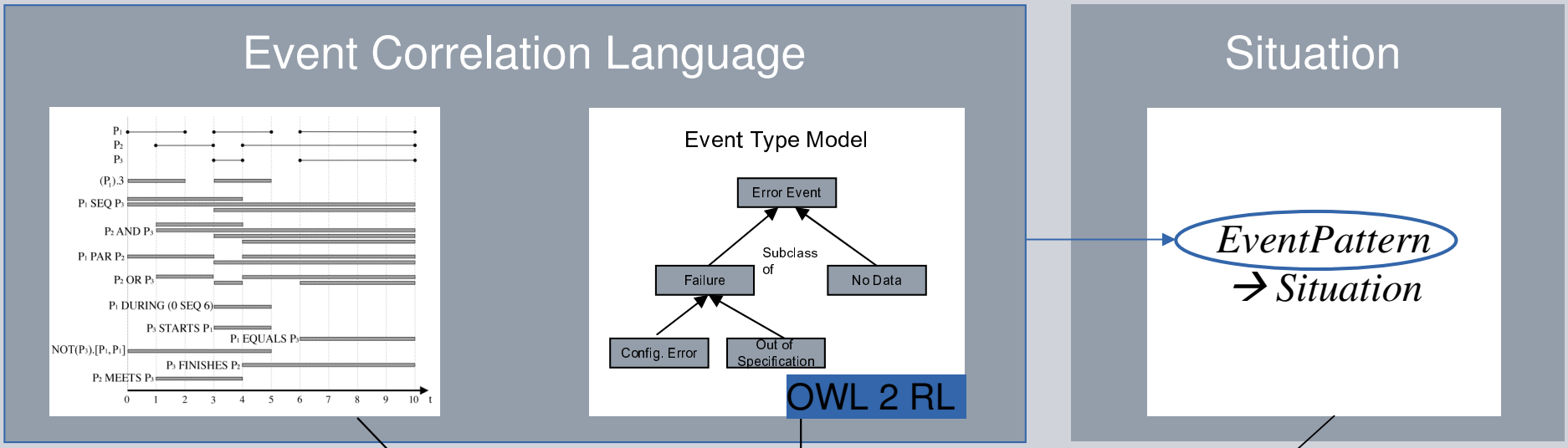


Events



Rule-based Event Processing

Current Approach: Complex Event Processing using Rule Engines



Various approaches in literature for

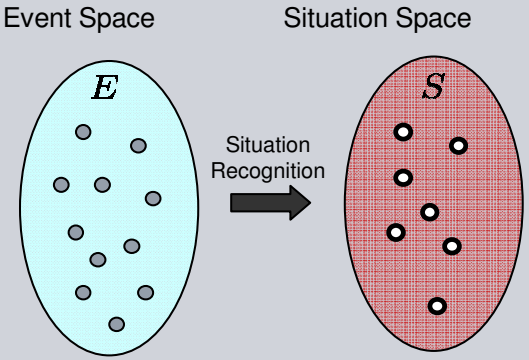
- semantics of temporal language constructs, e.g. RETE extensions
- Consumption policies to implement sliding window over events

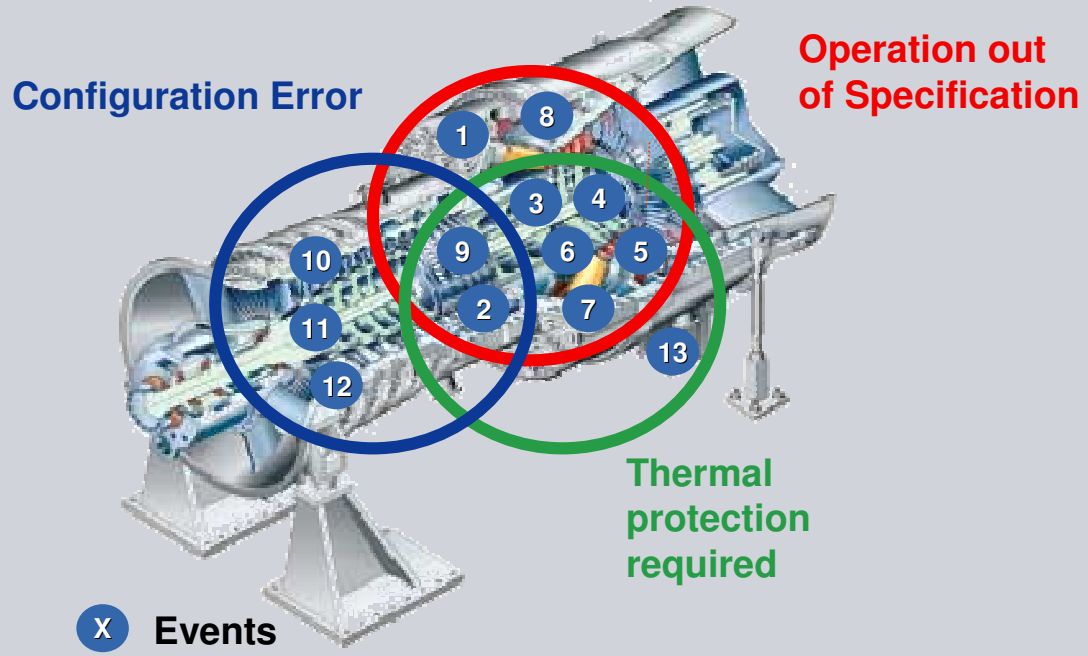
Rule Engine
Prolog, Clips, Drools

Reasoning for Situation Understanding

Deductive Reasoning for Situation Understanding

- Requires full information about relation between events and situations
  - *EventPattern → Situation*





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Reasoning for Situation Understanding

Problem: Incomplete Information

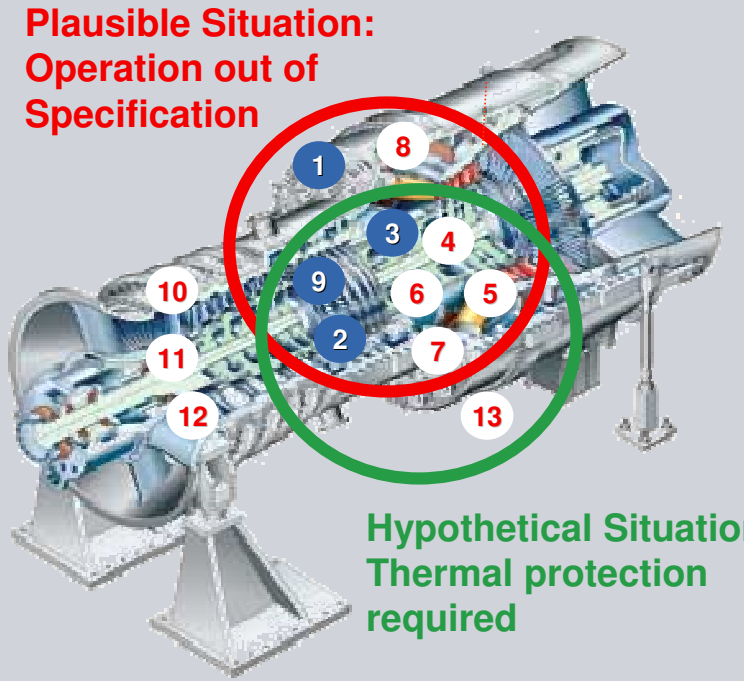
- Not applicable to predictive maintenance
- Reasons for the particular situations are often unknown

Current Approach

- Introduce classification of situations: certain, plausible and hypothetical situations
- Rank plausible and hypothetical situations according to heuristics as well as explicit preferences
- Support for simple event patterns only

Some challenges

- Abduction reasoning for situation understanding with incomplete information
- Probabilistic reasoning for handling uncertain information
- Inductive reasoning enables iterative improvements of (deductive) situation understanding



X Observed event

X Unknown

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Towards "on-board diagnostics"

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every week

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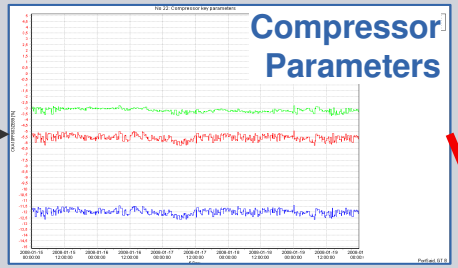
Local Perception



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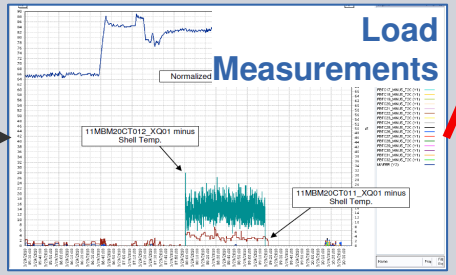

Distributed Situation Recognition

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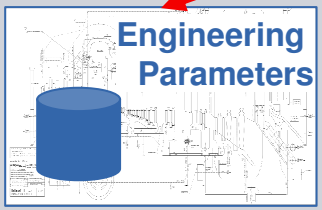

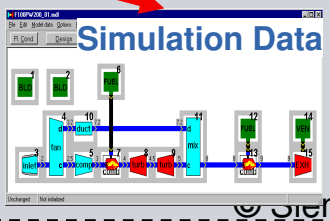

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Distributed Situation Recognition

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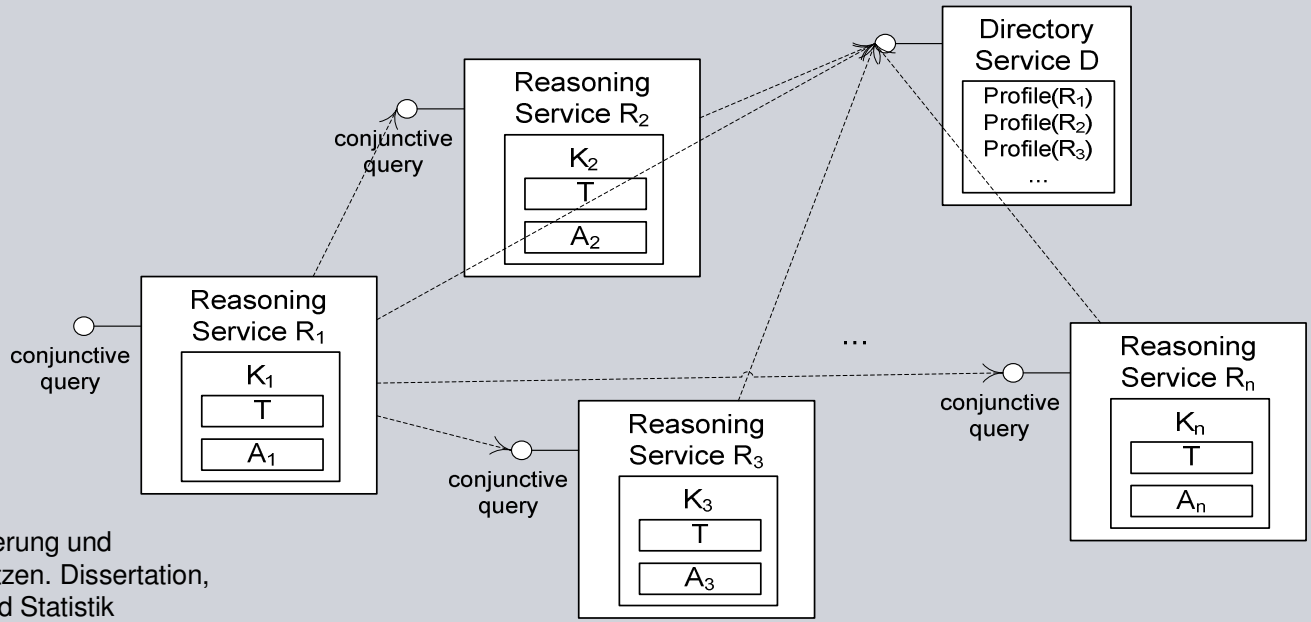
Reasoning over Distributed Knowledge Bases

- Avoid collection of all sensor data in one central knowledge base
- Instead of collecting data distribute queries to remote reasoners and integrate results



Source: Fuchs, Florian (2008): Semantische Modellierung und Reasoning für Kontextinformationen in Infrastrukturnetzen. Dissertation, LMU München: Fakultät für Mathematik, Informatik und Statistik

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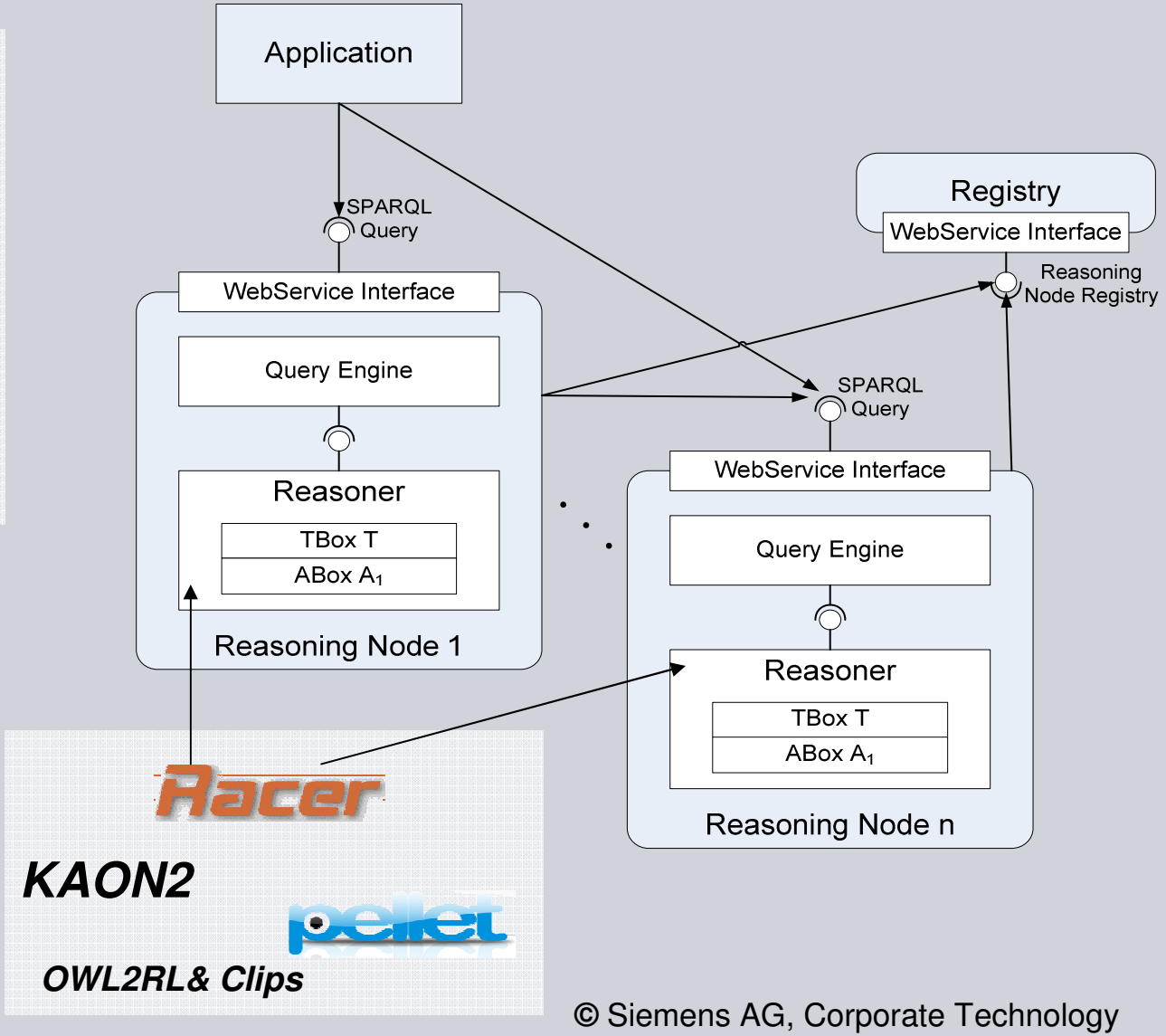
Distributed Situation Recognition: Implementation

Architecture:

- Java Axis2 WebServices
- ReasoningNode as black box
- Intelligence in Query Engine: generates sub queries
- Deployment in servlet engine (e.g. Tomcat)
- Different setups possible (e.g. hierarchical, mesh-networks, etc.)



Restrictions w.r.t. OWL DL:

- Shared roles must not be universally quantified (forall r.C' not allowed)
- Shared roles must not be restricted in cardinality (≤n r not allowed)

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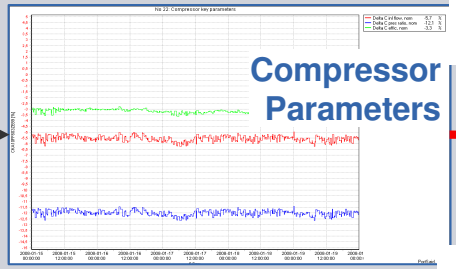
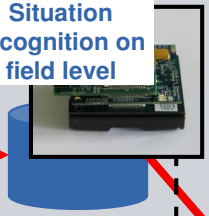
Maintenance Plan

On-Site Check



Compressor Parameters

Situation recognition on field level



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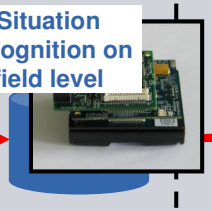

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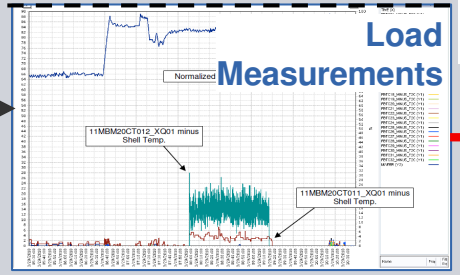

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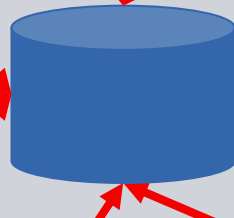

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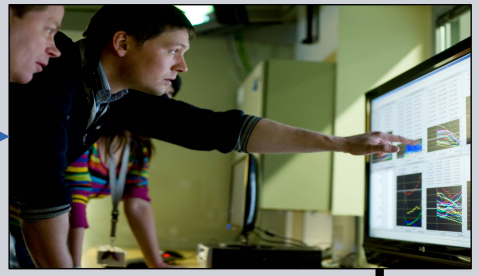

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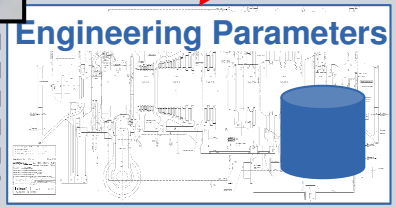

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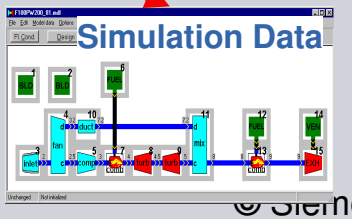

Simulation Data

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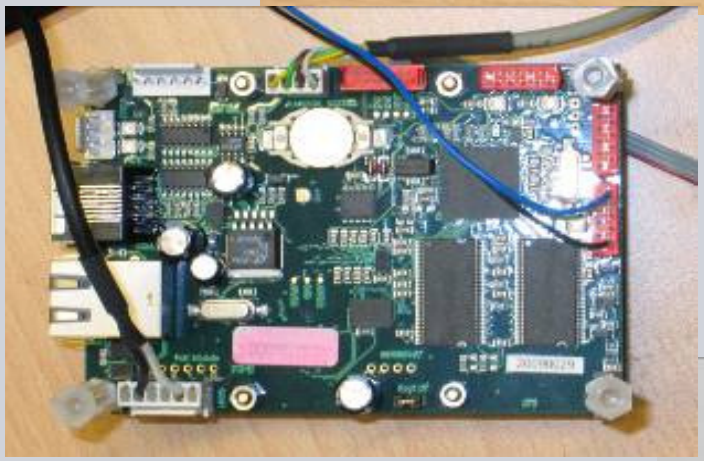
Possible Hardware

Gumstix Verdex Pro XM4 COM

- Processor: Marvell™ PXA270,
- Speed:ARM XScale 400MHz
- Memory: 64MB RAM, 16MB Flash
- Linux 2.6

AUG Development Board

- ATMEL AT91SAM9261 (ARM9)
- Speed: 200MHz
- Memory: 64 MByte SDRAM, 256 MByte NAND Flash



xBow Imote2

- PXA271 processor at 13–416MHz
- 256kB SRAM, 32MB FLASH, 32MB SDRAM
- Integrated 802.15.4 Radio

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Reasoners under investigation….

FaCT++

- Programming language C++
- Stand-alone → I/O error caused by ARM
- OWL API → Alpha version for FaCT++ dosn‘t work

Pellet

- Programming language Java
  →no working Java environment
- GNU classpath – not fully compatible
- SUN Embedded for Java – no required lib

CEL

- Programming language Lisp
- Only Allegro CL → closed source, no ARM-version (cross-compiling necessary)

Racer

- Programming language Lisp
- closed source, no ARM-version (cross-compiling necessary)

Clips rule engine as OWL2RL reasoner

- Small, light, and rather fast
- Uses Rete algorithm, forward chaining
- Implemented in C, C++ wrapper available
- Available for various platforms (e.g. Windows, Linux, Unix)
- License: Open Source

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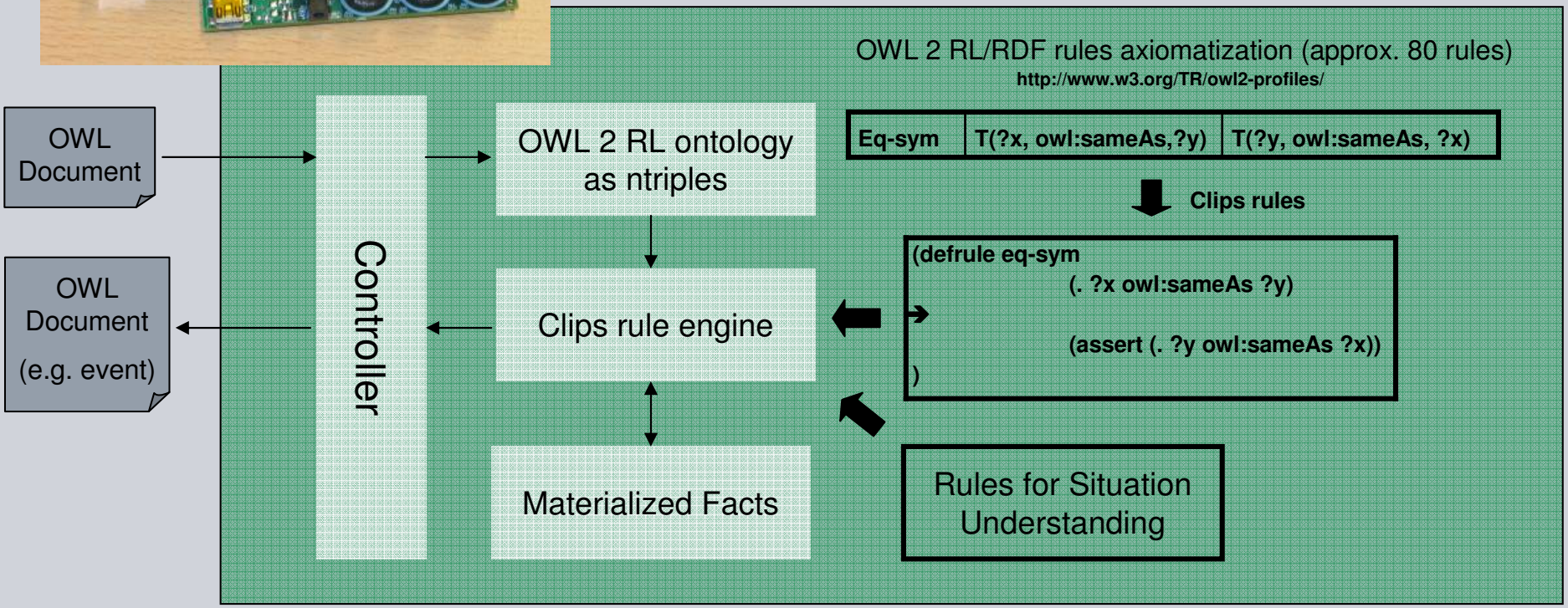
Embedded situation recognition

- Simplified architecture of embedded reasoning on Gumstix hardware



Current work: improve approach w.r.t. memory usage

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Conclusions

- Many applications of situation-aware applications in energy, industry and healthcare sector
- Situation-aware applications require
  - Identification of relevant events based on multi-model sensor inputs
  - Recognition of complex situations
  - Triggering of appropriate actions
- Challenges for situation recognition
  - Efficient data stream processing with complex event patterns
  - Realization of distributed situation recognition algorithms
  - On-board diagnostics with situation recognition algorithm embedded on device

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