

Continuous Management of Multi-Service Applications over the Cloud-IoT Continuum

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Talk for the Information Security Group @ ETH Zurich

Who I Am



- I was born in 1998 in Catania, Sicily (Italy)
- During high school, I took part several competitions concerning also computer science and robotics
- In 2020, I received a BSc degree cum laude in Computer Science from the University of Pisa
- In 2022, received a MSc degree cum laude in Computer Science (ICT Solutions Architect) from the University of Pisa and a MSc degree (9.88/10) in Computer Engineering (Cybersecurity) from the University of Malaga after pursuing a Double Degree Program and living in Spain

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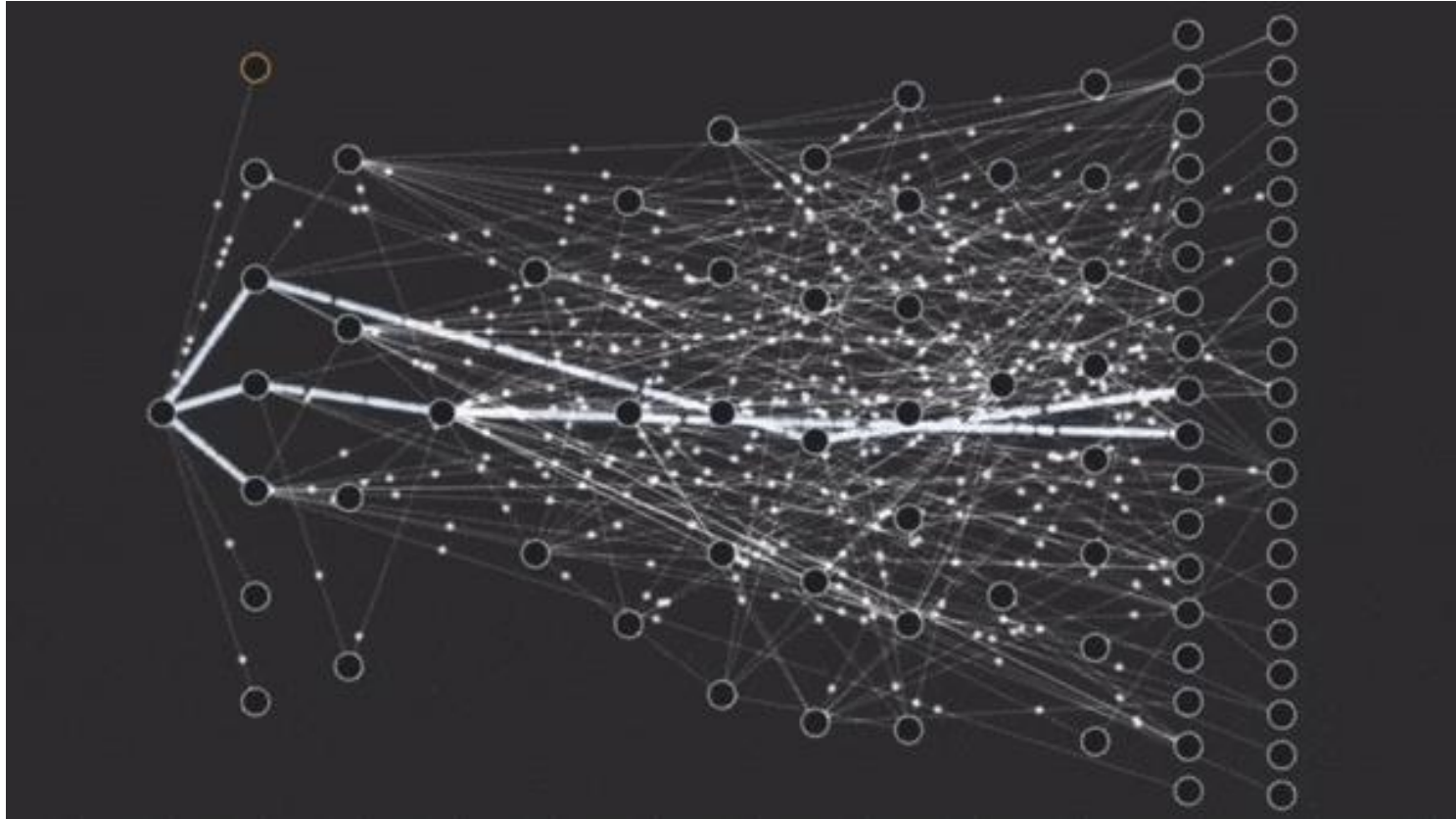
- In 2021, I won 1-year research grant (and in 2022 a 1-year extension) from the GARR Consortium for issues related to the development of innovative digital infrastructures and services
- I presented two papers in a national (*CILC*) and international (*SMARTCOMP*) conferences
- I published an article in the international *Journal of Logic and Computation*
- I am a mentor for the Pisa CoderDojo and I organised several educational workshop, I was first a journalist intern and then I worked as editor for a scientific dissemination site

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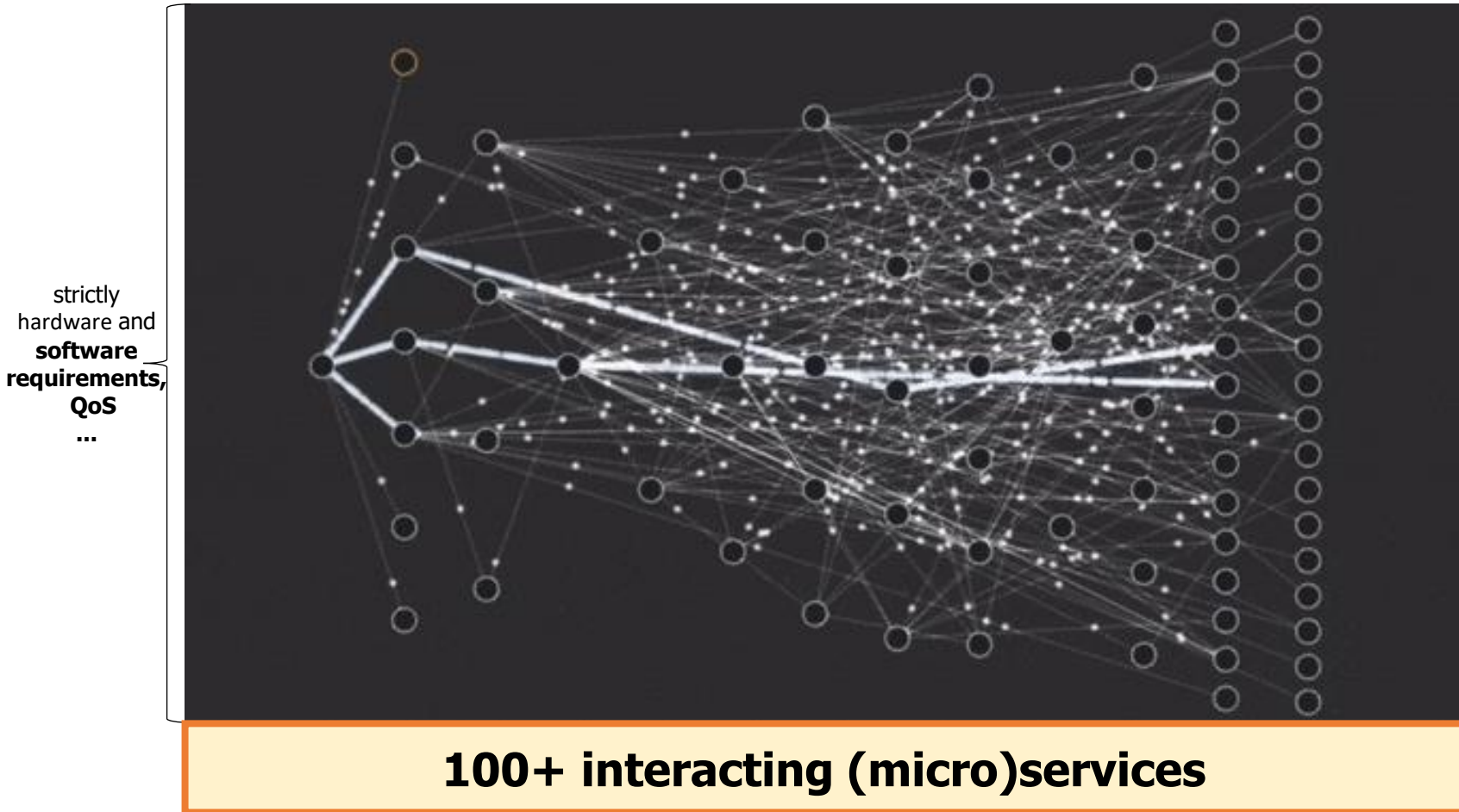


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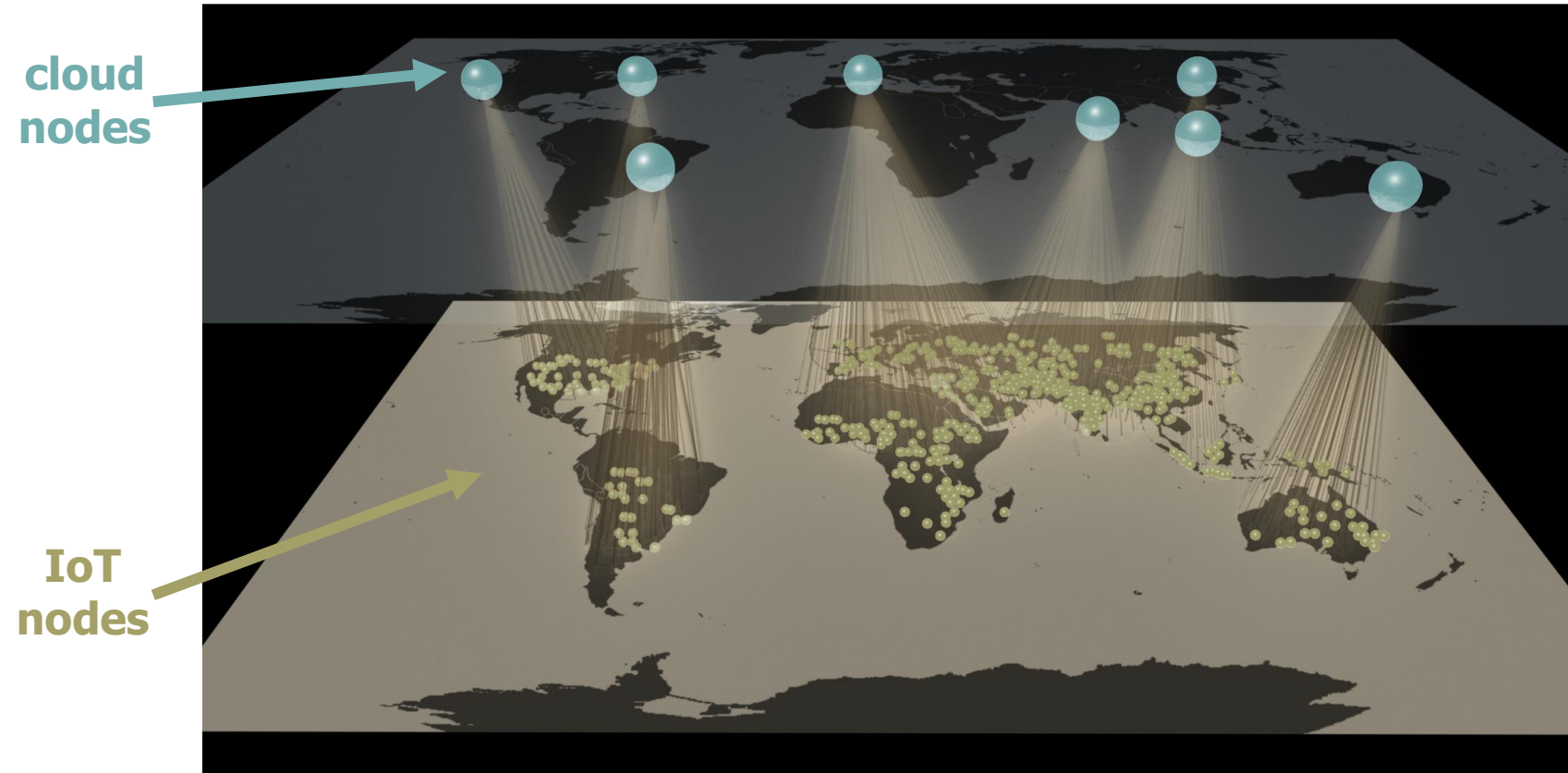


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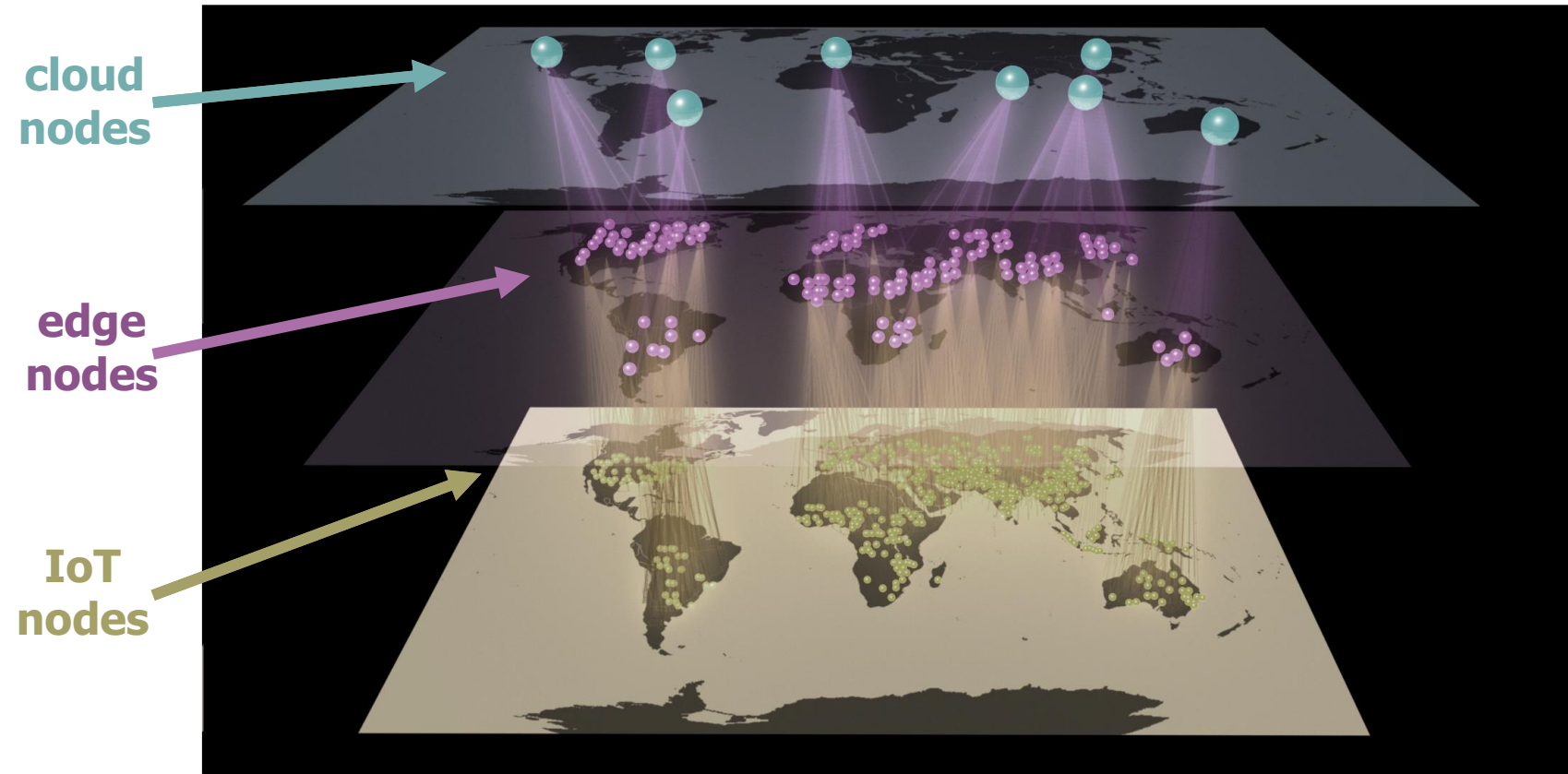
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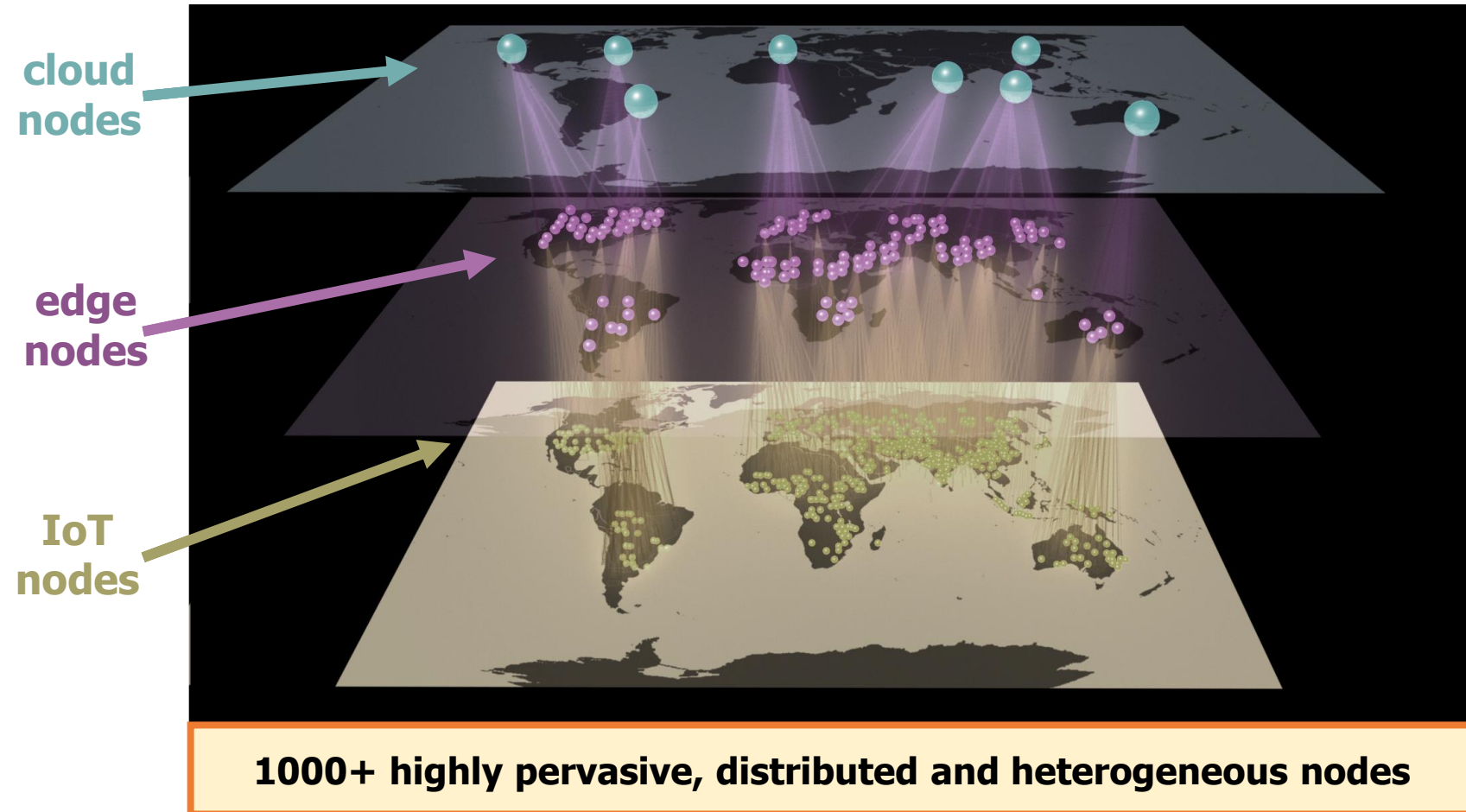
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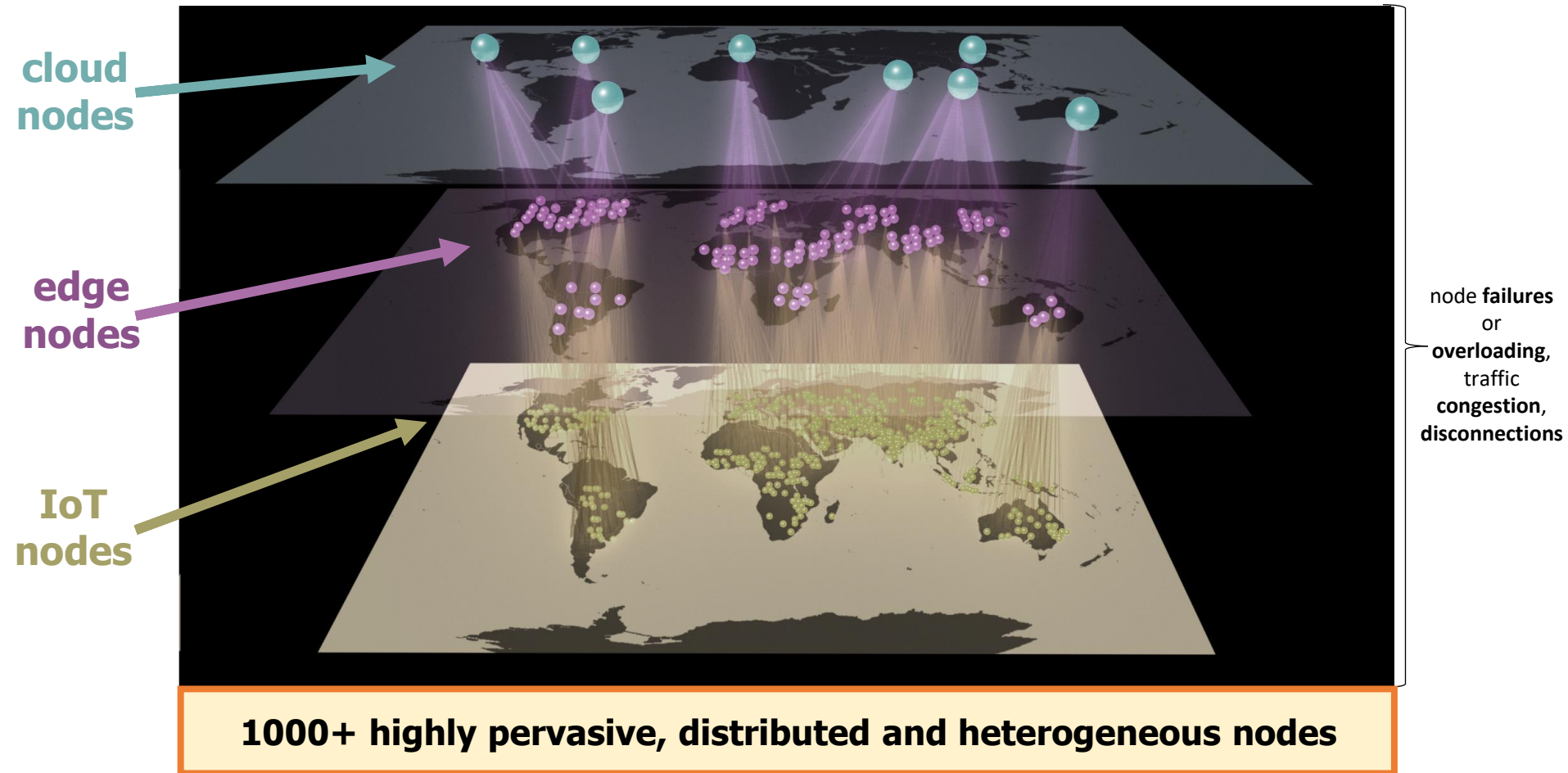
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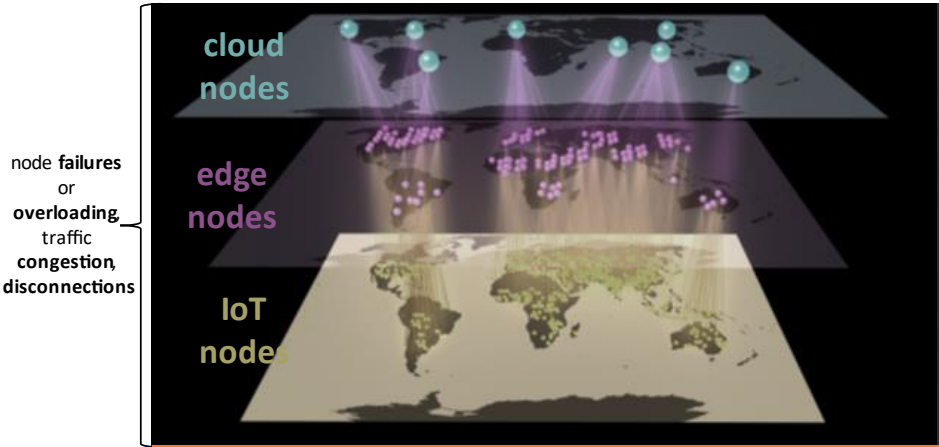
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Multi-Service Applications

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cloud nodes

edge nodes


IoT nodes

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Multi-Service Applications



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Continuous Reasoning

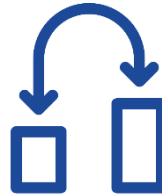


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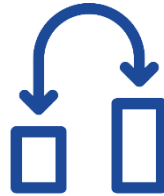


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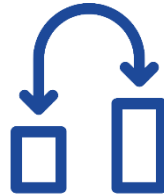


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FogBrainX is the core of a **Continuous Reasoning** engine for making **informed management decisions** for **multi-service applications** on **Cloud-IoT infrastructures**

Stefano Forti, Giuseppe Bisicchia, and Antonio Brogi. Declarative Continuous Reasoning in the Cloud-IoT Continuum. Journal of Logic and Computation, 2022.

The logo graphic consists of a large circle divided into four quadrants by a vertical and a horizontal line. Each quadrant contains a series of concentric circles of varying shades of light blue and teal, creating a target-like or brain-like pattern.

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Available at:

<https://github.com/di-unipi-socc/fogbrainx>

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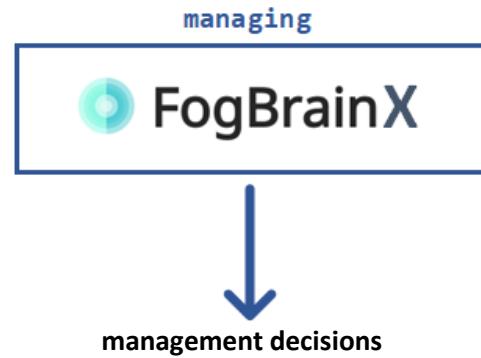
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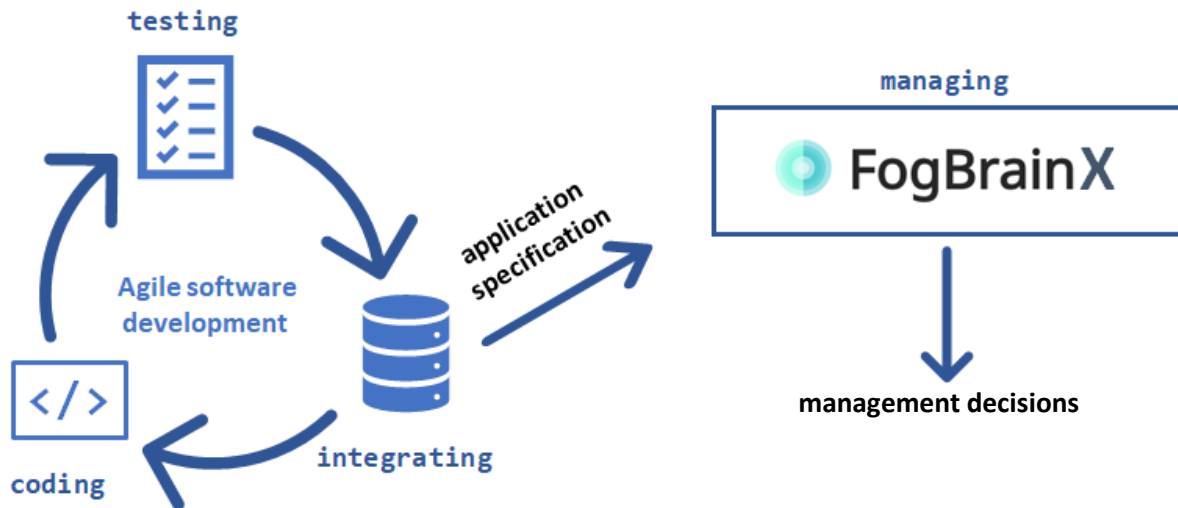
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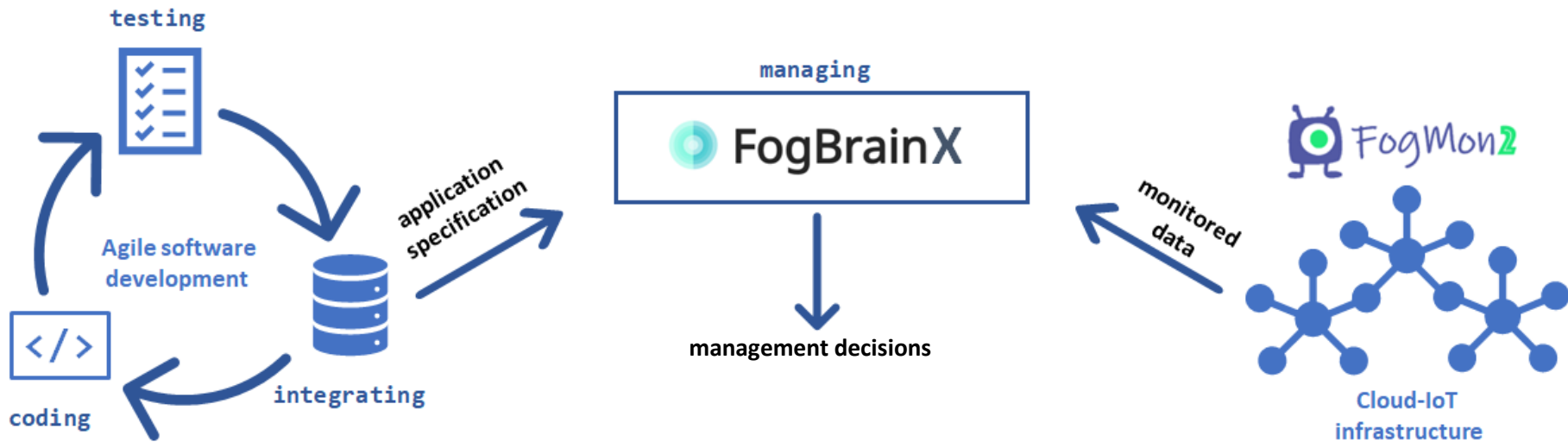
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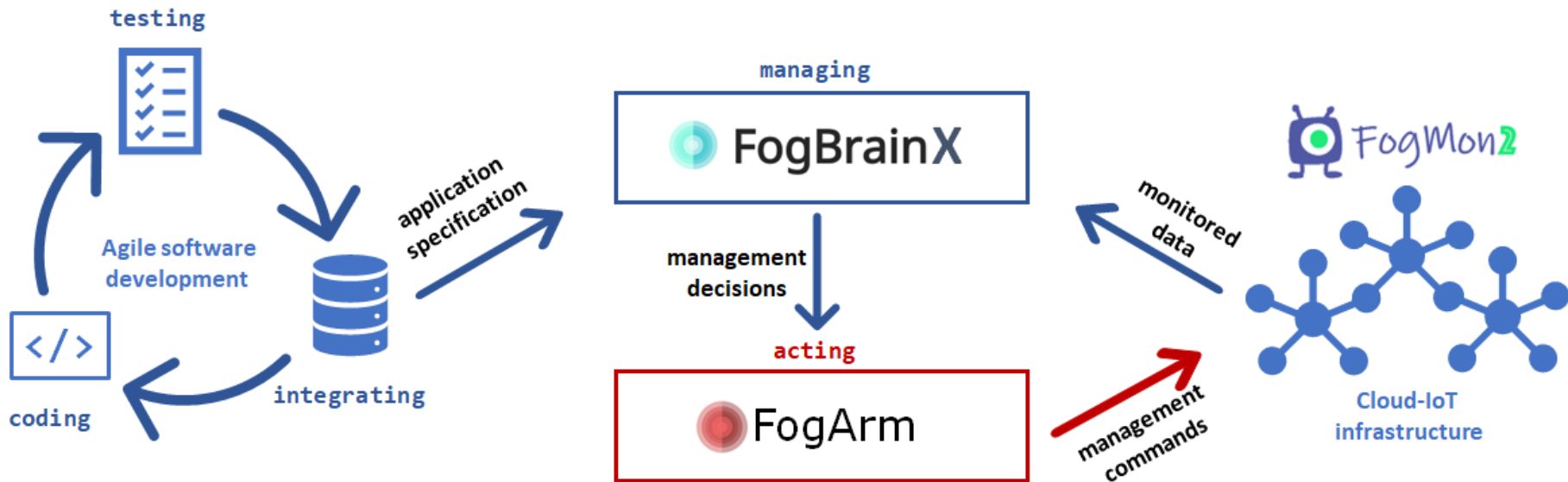
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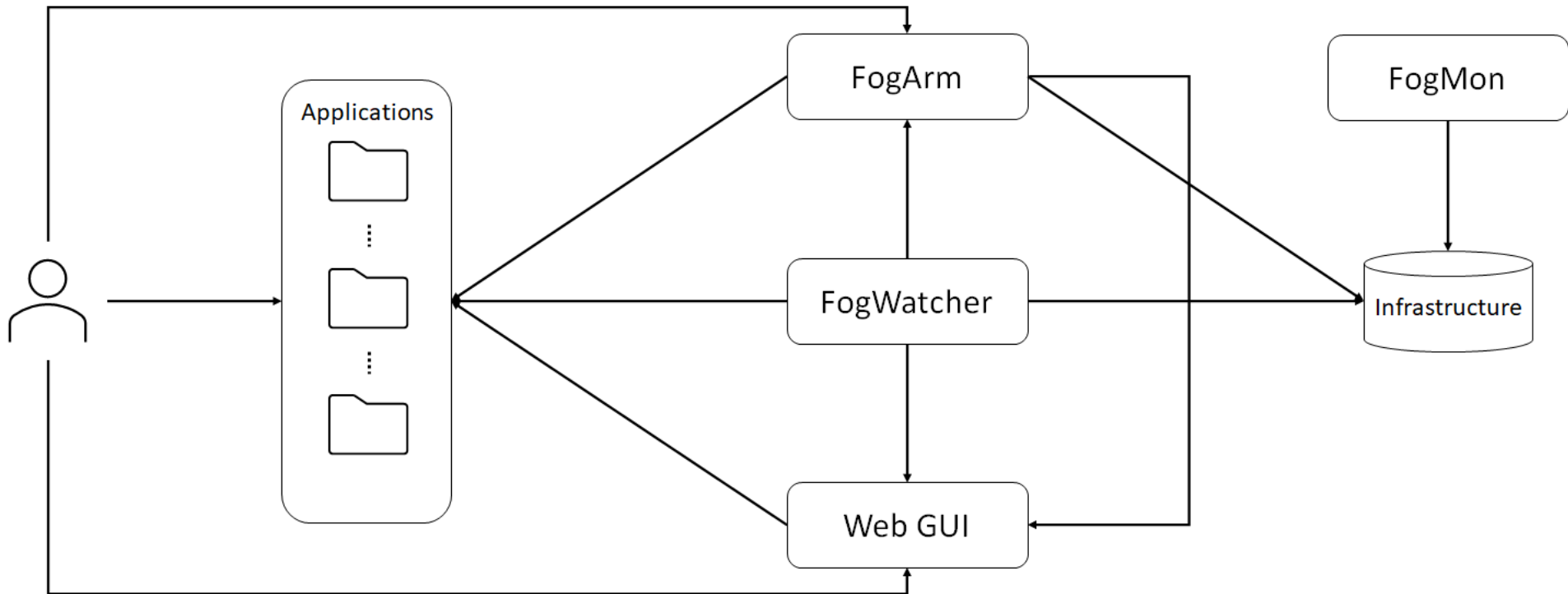
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FogArm



FogArm's WebGUI: Nodes



FogArm's WebGUI: Applications

Statistics

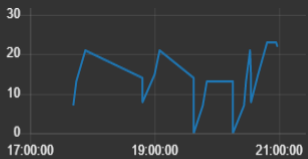
Online Applications

3

Total Services

22

Services History



Time	Value
17:00:00	10
18:00:00	20
19:00:00	15
20:00:00	20
21:00:00	25

Overview

Select Application `docker-swarm-de...`

Last Update **5/6/2022, 20:58:26**

Online Applications:

- docker-swarm-demo-0
- docker-swarm-demo-1
- docker-swarm-demo-2

Current Placement:

- docker-swarm-demo-2_customers_db on node19-garr-pa1
- docker-swarm-demo-2_products on node19-garr-pa1
- docker-swarm-demo-2_customers on node19-garr-pa1
- docker-swarm-demo-1_customers_db on node16-garr-na
- docker-swarm-demo-1_invoices on node17-garr-na

docker-compose.yml

```
version: '3.2'
services:
  customers:
    build: customers-service
    image: embair/swarm-
demo:customers
    environment:
      - REDIS_HOST=customers_db
    links:
      - customers_db

  customers_db:
    image: redis

  products:
    build: products-service
    image: embair/swarm-
demo:products
    environment:
      - REDIS_HOST=customers_db
```

SEND **CANCEL**

REFRESH

requirements.yml

```
services:
  customers:
    hardware: 2
    links:
      customers_db:
        bandwidth: 7
        latency: 500

  customers_db:
    hardware: 3

  products:
    hardware: 2
    links:
      products_db:
        bandwidth: 7
        latency: 100
```

SEND **CANCEL**

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Application's Details

Selected Application **docker-swarm-demo-0**

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Uptime **0 days, 0 hours and 15 minutes**

Matched ●

EXECUTE

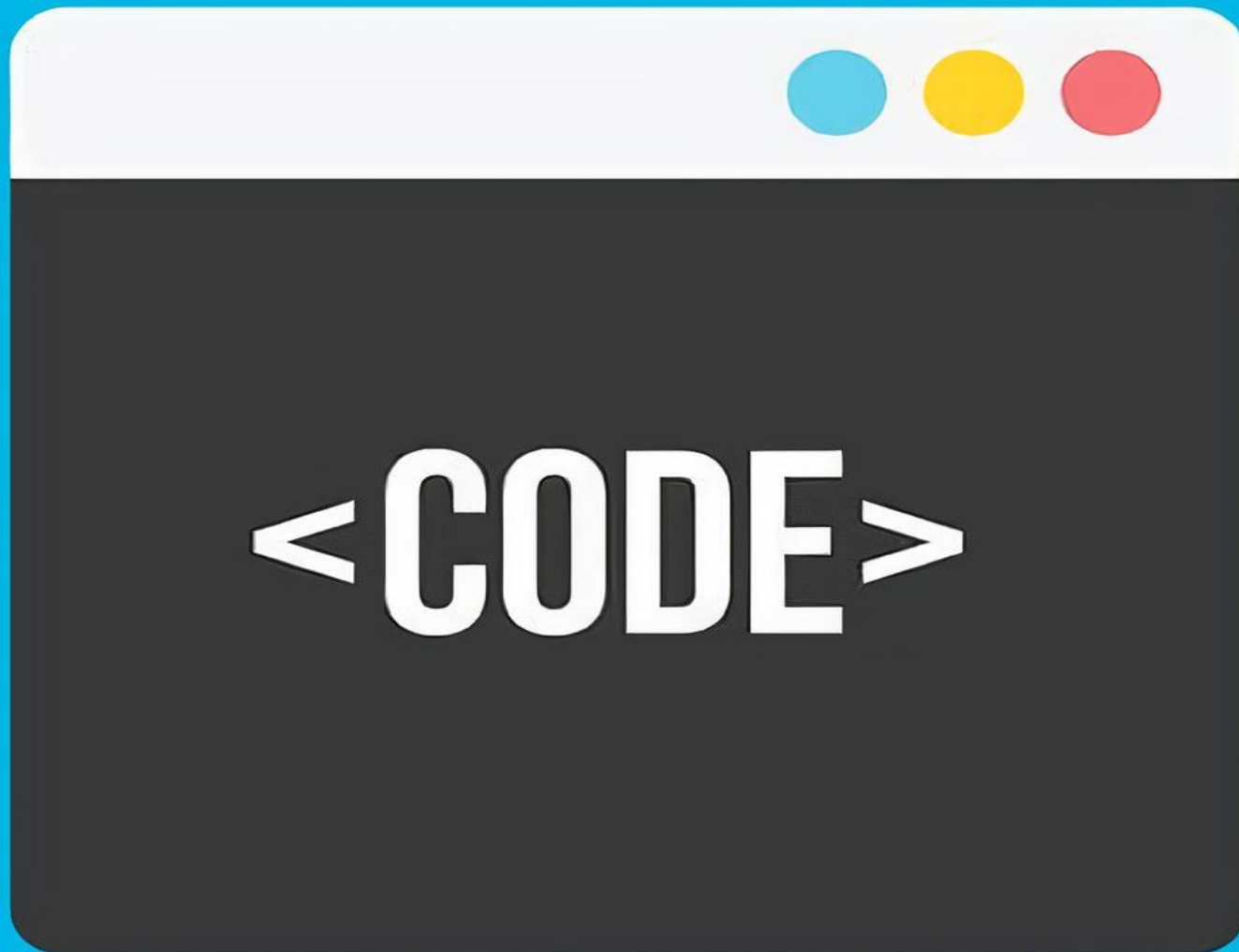
REMOVE

Desired Placement:

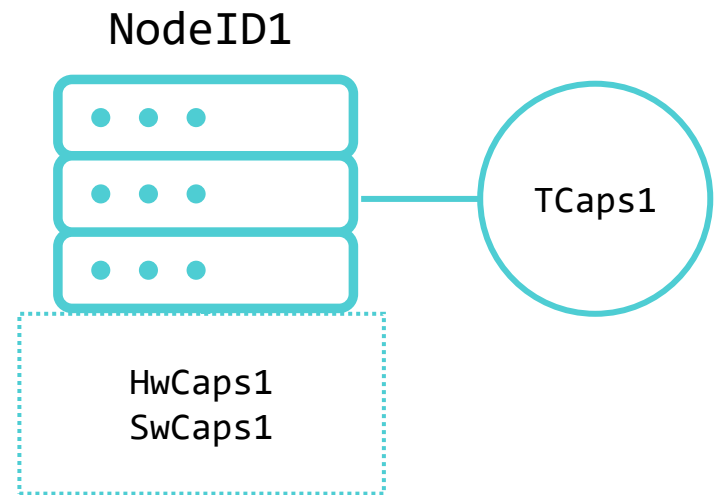
- customers on node14-garr-pa1
- customers_db on node0-garr-pa1
- products on node14-garr-pa1
- products_db on node0-garr-ct1
- invoices on node13-garr-ct1
- invoices_db on node0-garr-pa1
- api-gateway on node0-garr-ct1

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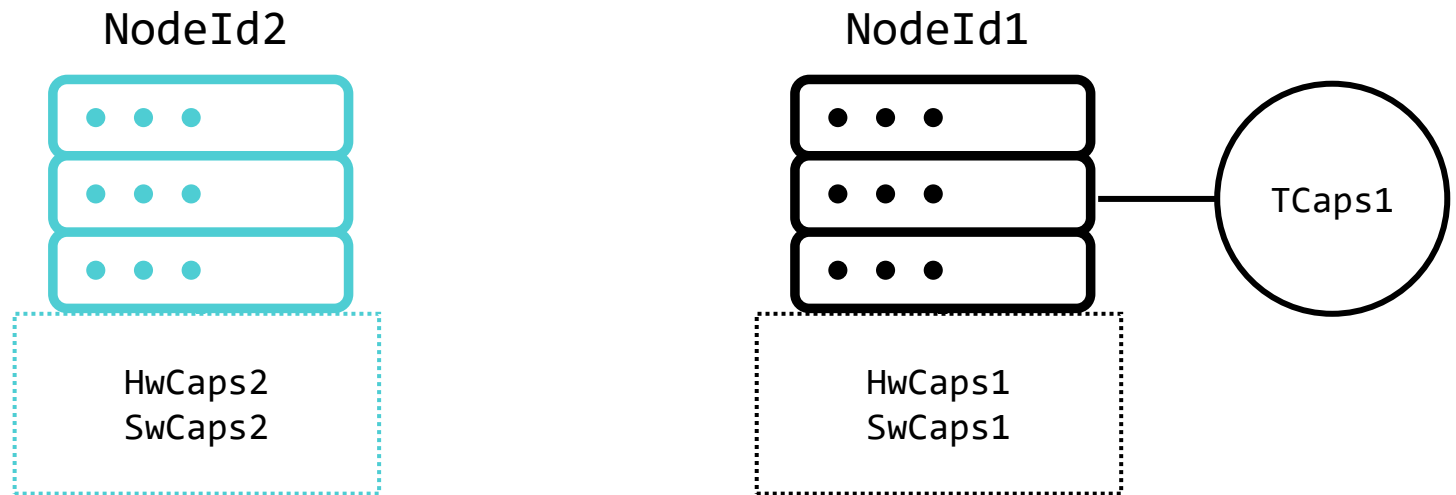
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→ `node(NodeId1, SwCaps1, HwCaps1, TCaps1).`

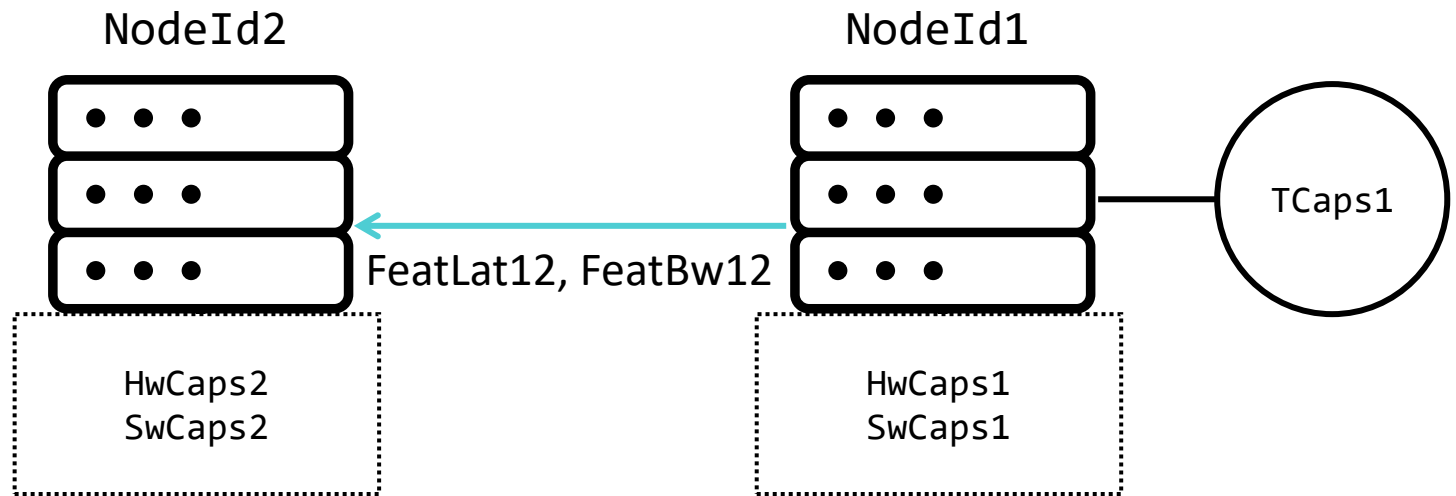


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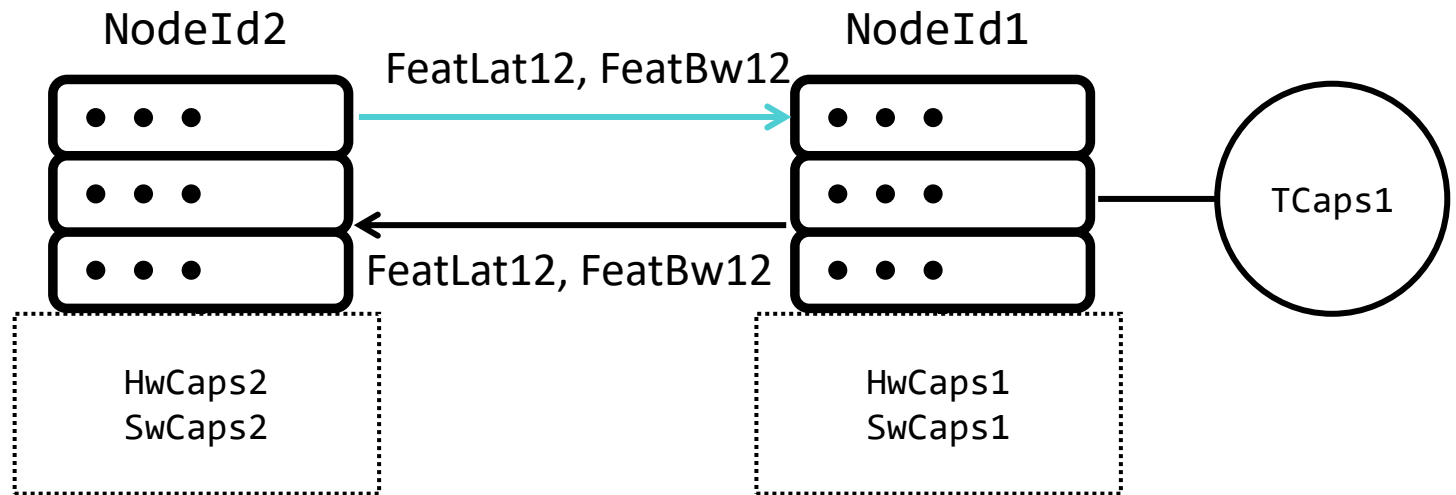
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node(NodeId2, SwCaps2, HwCaps2, []).
```

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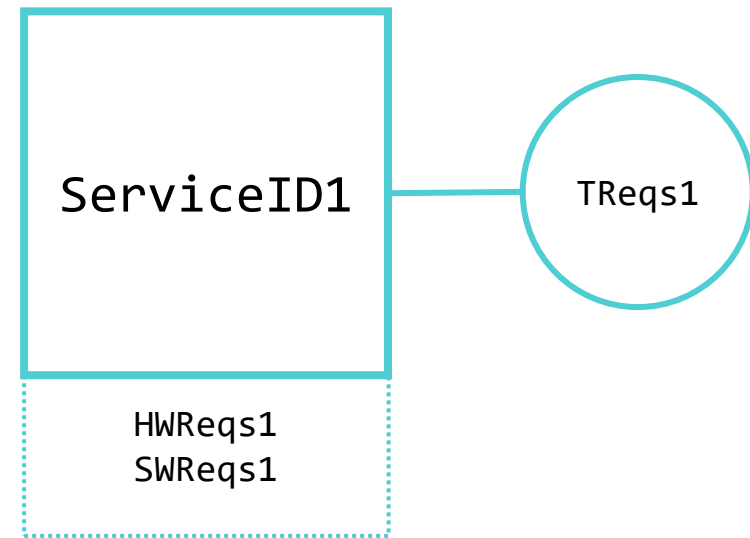
```
node(NodeId1, SwCaps1, HwCaps1, TCaps1).  
node(NodeId2, SwCaps2, HwCaps2, []).  
link(NodeId1, NodeId2, FeatLat12, FeatBw12).
```

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link(NodeId2, NodeId1, FeatLat21, FeatBw21).
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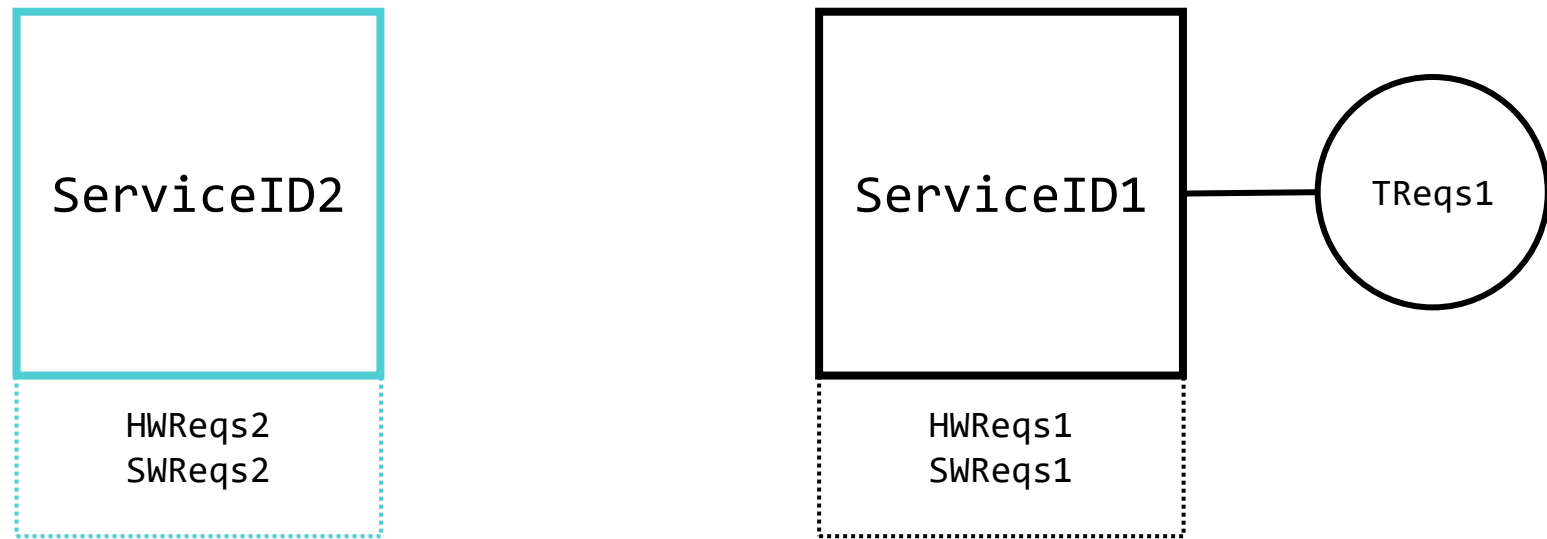
Declaring Application Requirements



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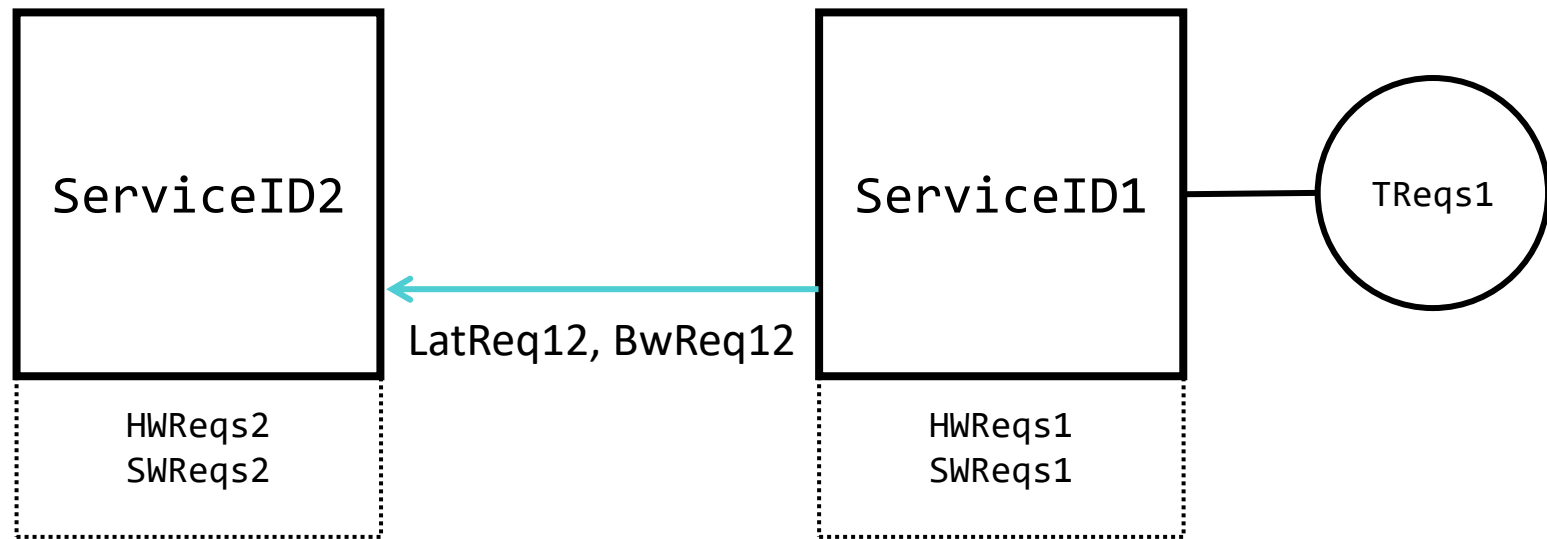
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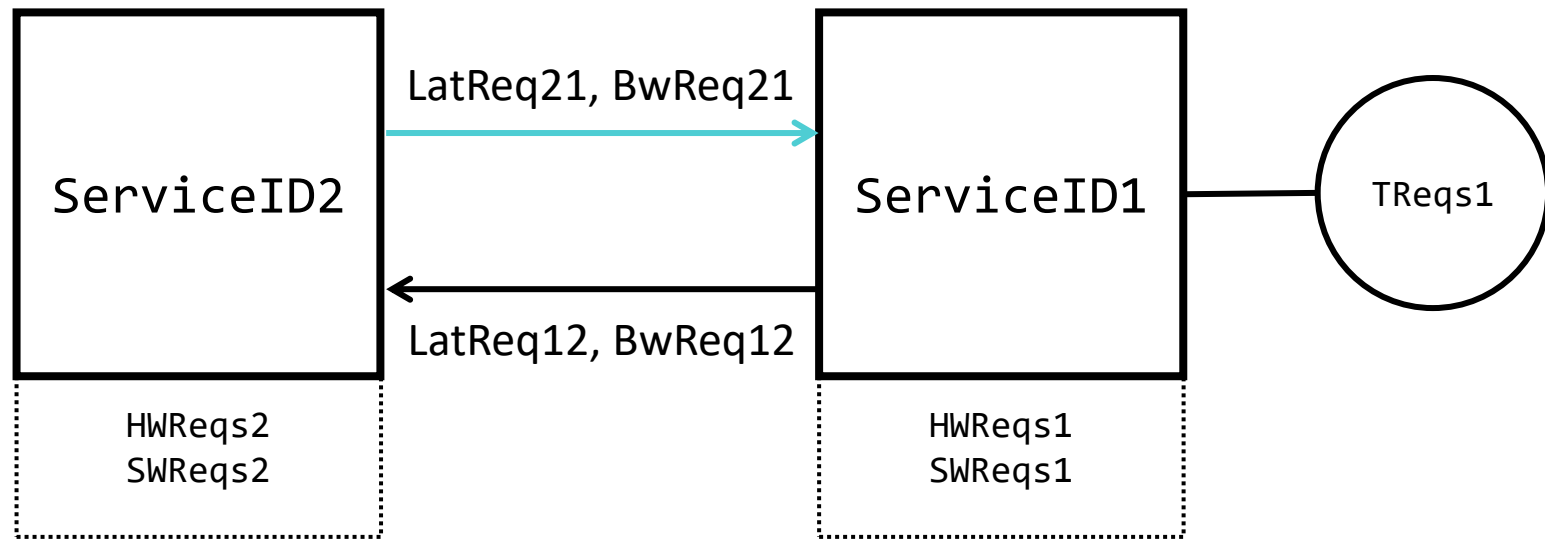
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```

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s2s(ServiceID2, ServiceID1, LatReq21, BwReq21).
```

Triggers



Changes in services
requirements

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Infrastructural
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Addition/removal of
services

FogBrainX Reasoning

1. **First deployment**, via a **generate & test** strategy

```
fogBrainX(A,Placement) :-  
    \+ deployment(A,_,_), placement(A,Placement).
```

FogBrainX Reasoning

1. **First deployment**, via a **generate & test** strategy, and
2. **Management decisions**, via **continuous reasoning**

```
fogBrainX(A,Placement) :-  
    \+ deployment(A,_,_), placement(A,Placement).  
  
fogBrainX(A,NewPlacement) :-  
    deployment(A,P,Alloc),  
    newServices(P,NewServices),  
    reasoningStep(P,Alloc,NotOkServices,[],OkPlacement),  
    append(NewServices,NotOkServices,ServicesToPlace),  
    placement(ServicesToPlace,OkPlacement,Alloc,NewPlacement),  
    allocatedResources(NewPlacement,NewAlloc),  
    retract(deployment(A,_,_)), assert(deployment(A,NewPlacement,NewAlloc)).
```

FogBrainX Reasoning Step

1. If the service is removed, remove it from the placement

```
reasoningStep([on(S,_)|Ps],(AllocHW,AllocBW),KOs,P0k,StableP) :-  
  \+ service(S,_,_,_),  
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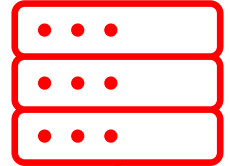
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reasoningStep([on(S,N)|Ps],(AllocHW,AllocBW), KOs, P0k,StableP) :-  
    nodeOk(S,N,P0k,AllocHW), linksOk(S,N,P0k,AllocBW),!,  
    reasoningStep(Ps,(AllocHW,AllocBW),KOs,[on(S,N)|P0k],StableP).
```

FogBrainX Reasoning Step

1. If the service is removed, remove it from the placement
2. If the service's requirements are satisfied, keep its placement
3. Otherwise, re-place it

```
reasoningStep([on(S,_)|Ps],(AllocHW,AllocBW),KOs,P0k,StableP) :-  
    \+ service(S,_,_,_),  
    reasoningStep(Ps,(AllocHW,AllocBW),KOs,P0k,StableP).  
reasoningStep([on(S,N)|Ps],(AllocHW,AllocBW), KOs, P0k,StableP) :-  
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reasoningStep([on(S,_)|Ps],(AllocHW,AllocBW),[S|KOs],P0k,StableP) :-  
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reasoningStep([],_,[],P,P).
```

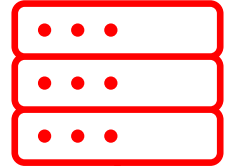
Default Policies



Node Requirements (SW, IoT and cumulative HW)

```
nodeOk(S,N,P,AllocHW) :-  
    service(S,SWReqs,HWReqs,IoTReqs),  
    node(N,SWCaps,HWCaps,IoTCaps),  
    swReqsOk(SWReqs,SWCaps),  
    thingReqsOk(IoTReqs,IoTCaps),  
    hwOk(N,HWCaps,HWReqs,P,AllocHW)
```


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    thingReqsOk(IoTReqs,IoTCaps),  
    hwOk(N,HWCaps,HWReqs,P,AllocHW)
```

Links Requirements (latency and cumulative bandwidth)



```
linksOk(S,N,P,AllocBW) :-  
    findall((N1N2,ReqLat), distinct(relevant(S,N,P,N1N2,ReqLat)), N2Ns),  
    latencyOk(N2Ns),  
    findall(N1N2, distinct(member((N1N2,ReqLat),N2Ns)), N1N2s), bwOk(N1N2s,  
AllocBW, [on(S,N)|P]).
```

FogBrainX Placer

Exploiting *generate & test* (with backtracking)

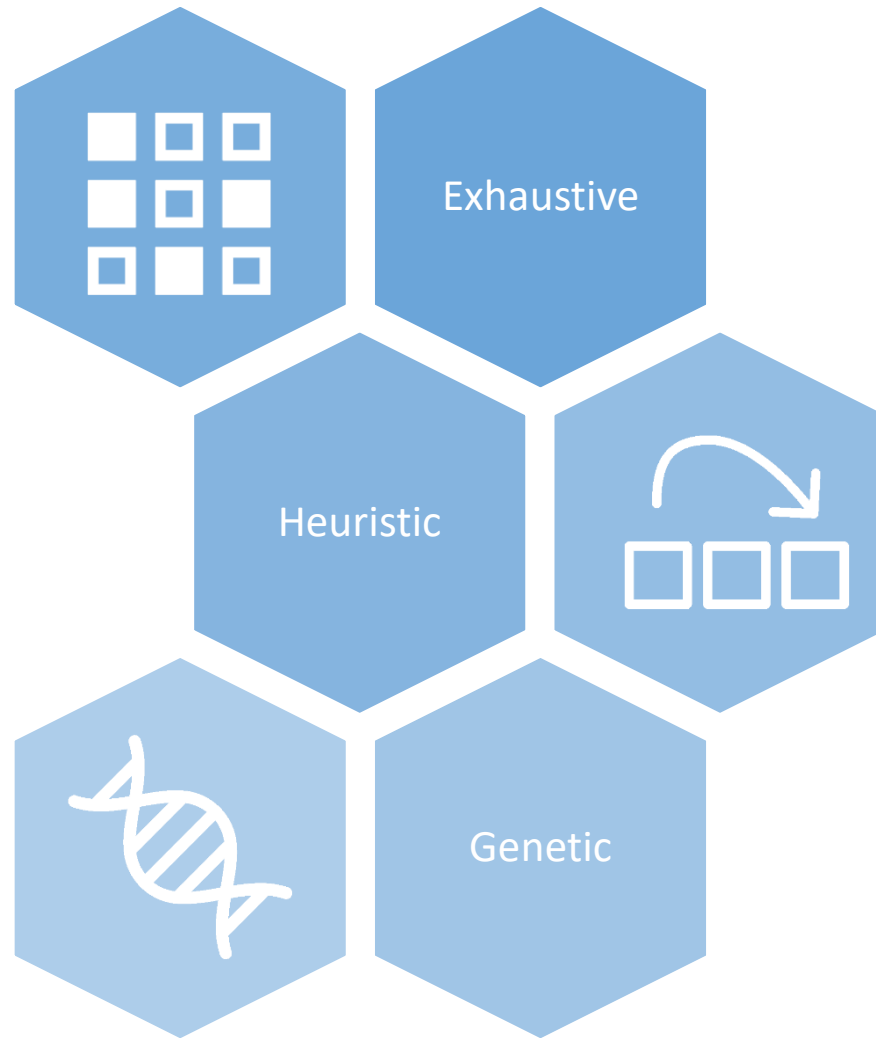
1. Checks node requirements for **service S on node N**

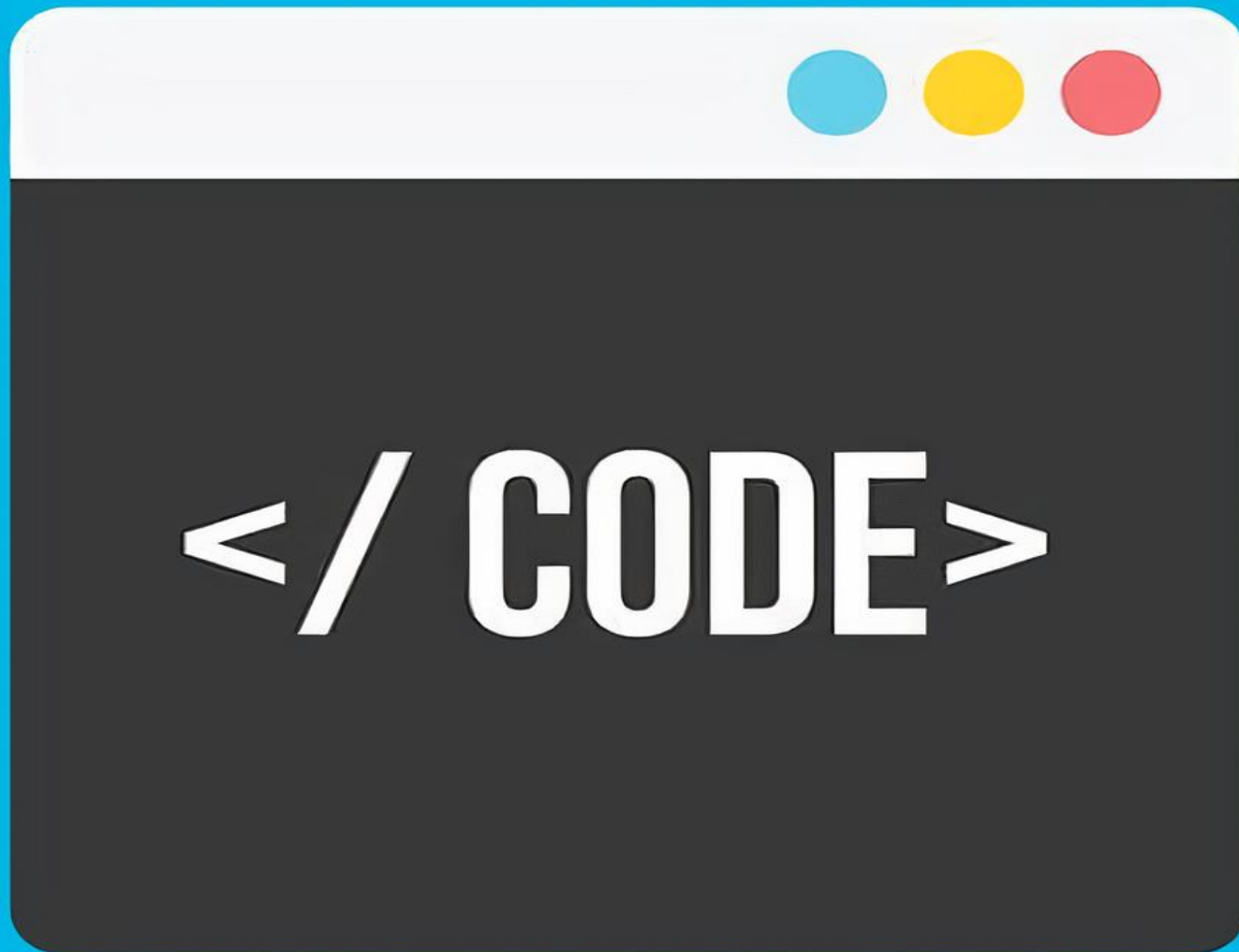


```
placement([S|Ss],P,(AllocHW,AllocBW),Placement) :-  
    nodeOk(S,N,P,AllocHW), linksOk(S,N,P,AllocBW),  
    placement(Ss,[on(S,N)|P],(AllocHW,AllocBW),Placement).  
placement([],P,_,P).
```

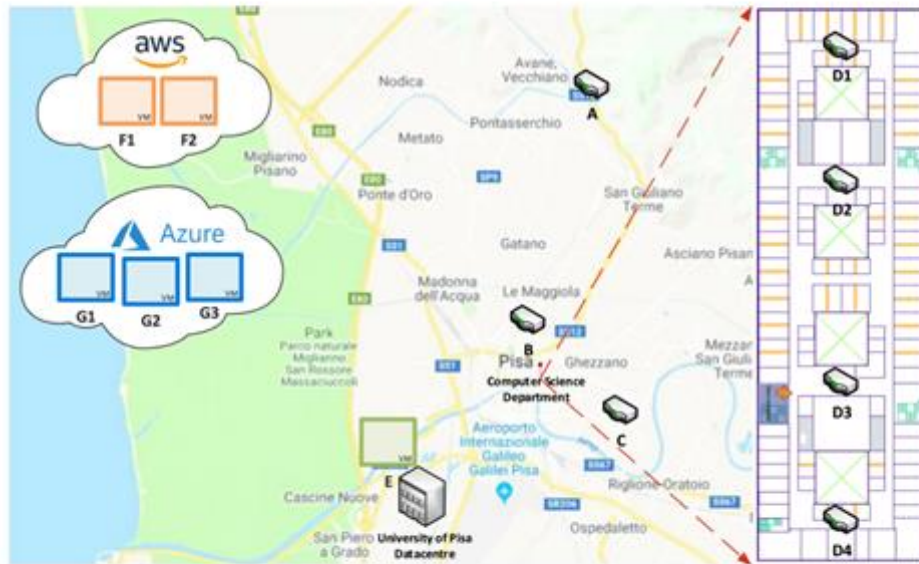
2. Checks link requirements for all (placed) **services communicating with S**
3. Repeated **until all services have been placed**

Continuous Reasoning as a Booster



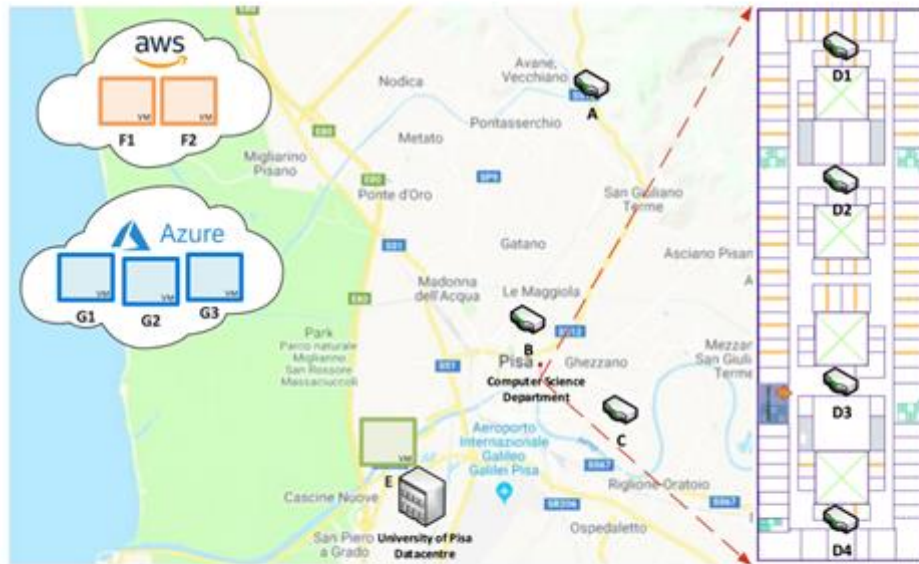


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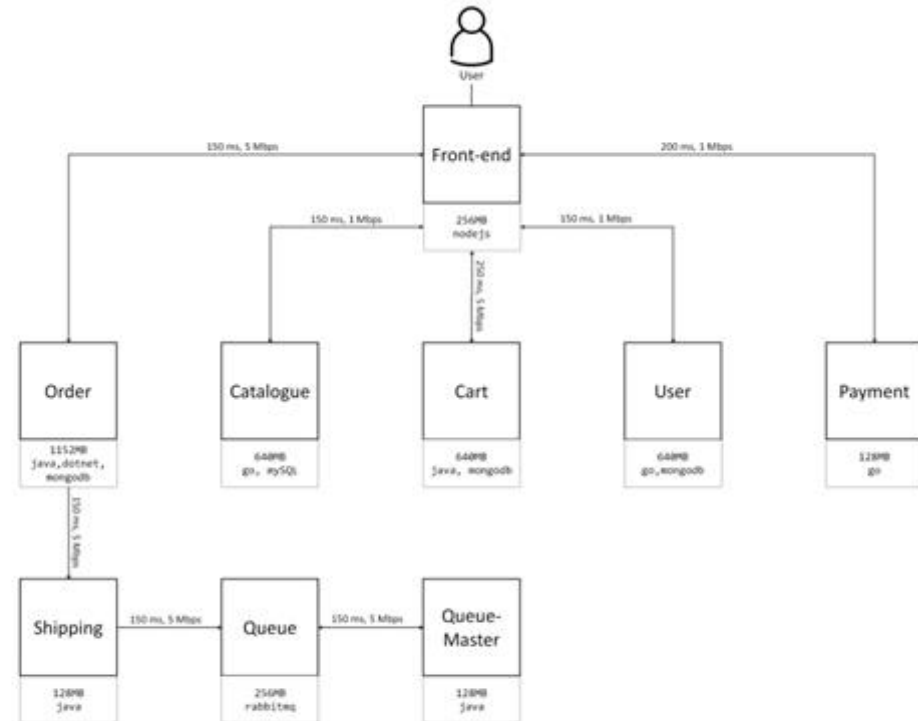


(a) Use case infrastructure.

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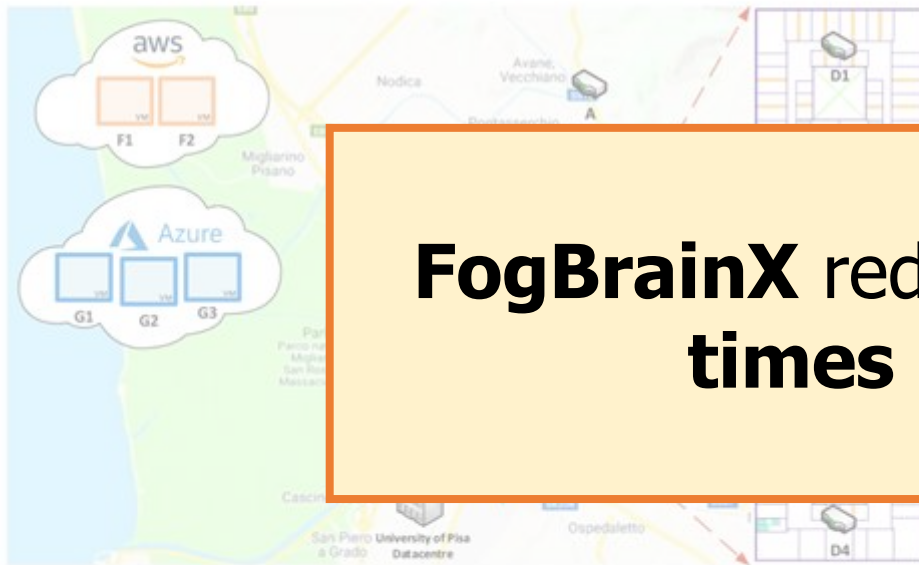


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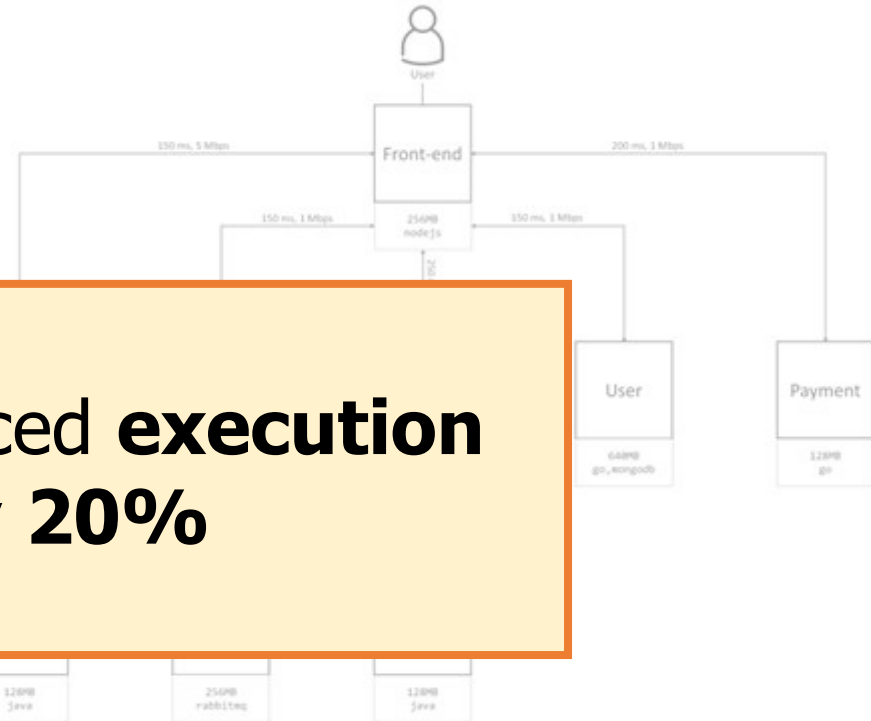


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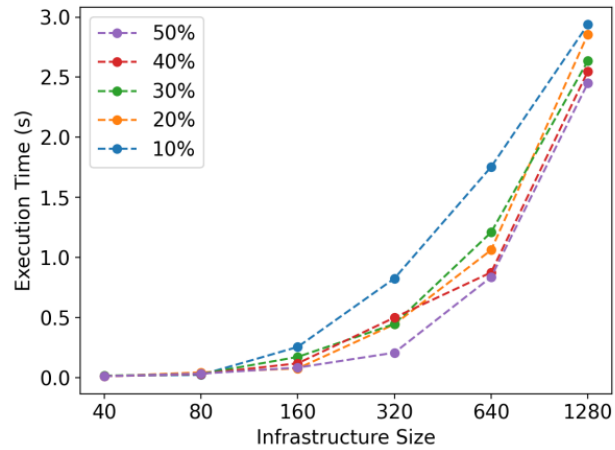
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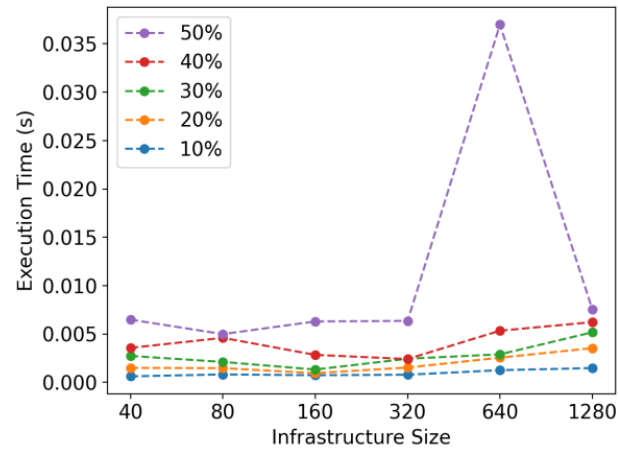
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FogBrainX reduced execution times by 20%

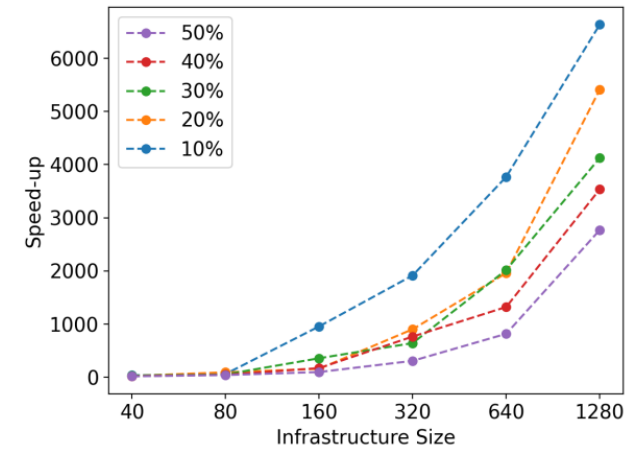
FogBrainX Scalability Assessment



(a) Exhaustive placement

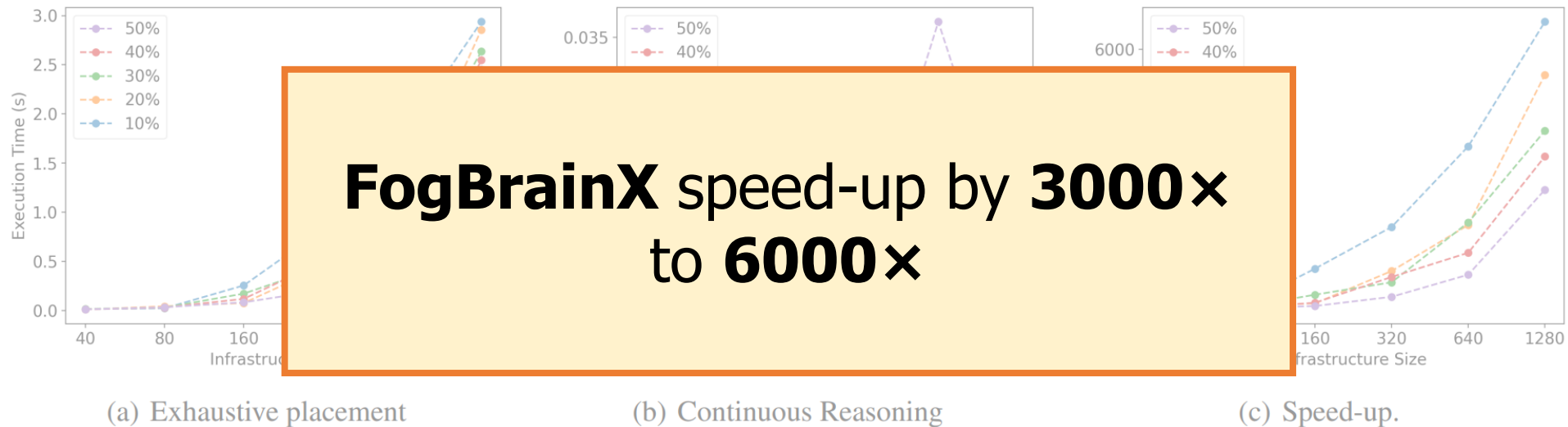


(b) Continuous Reasoning

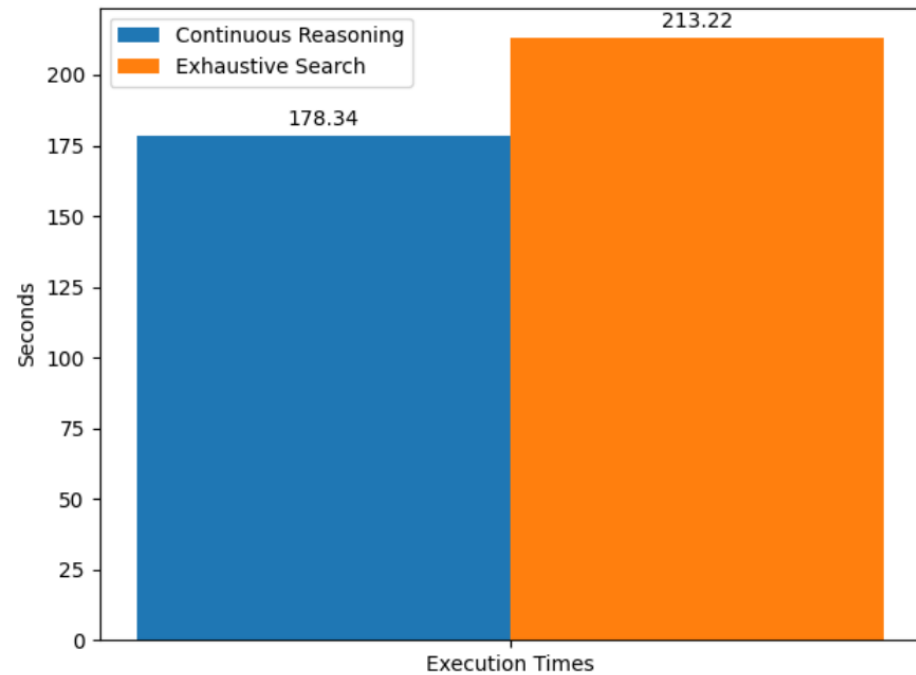


(c) Speed-up.

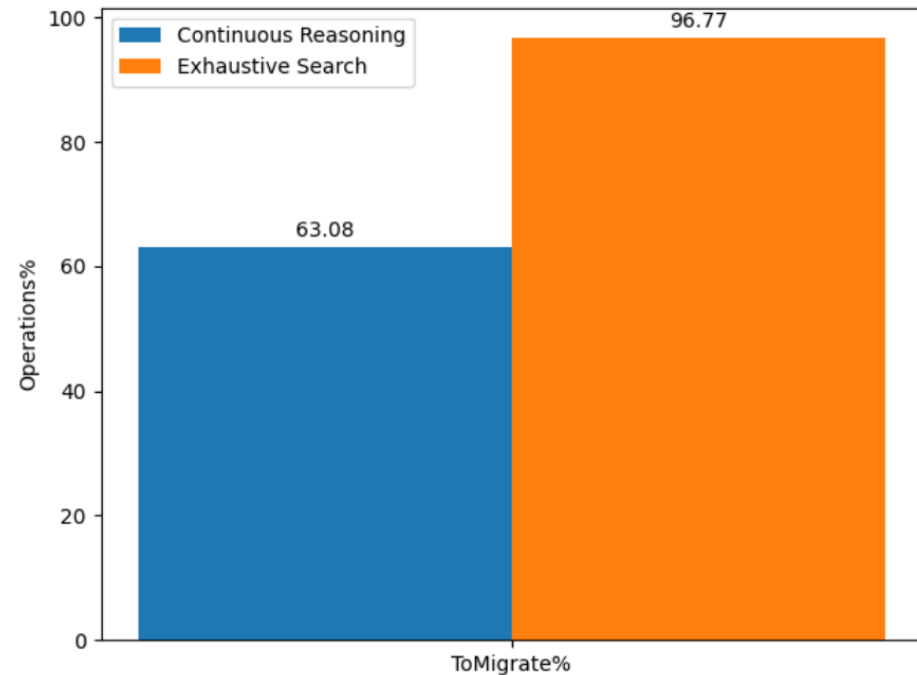
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Continuous Reasoning Assessment

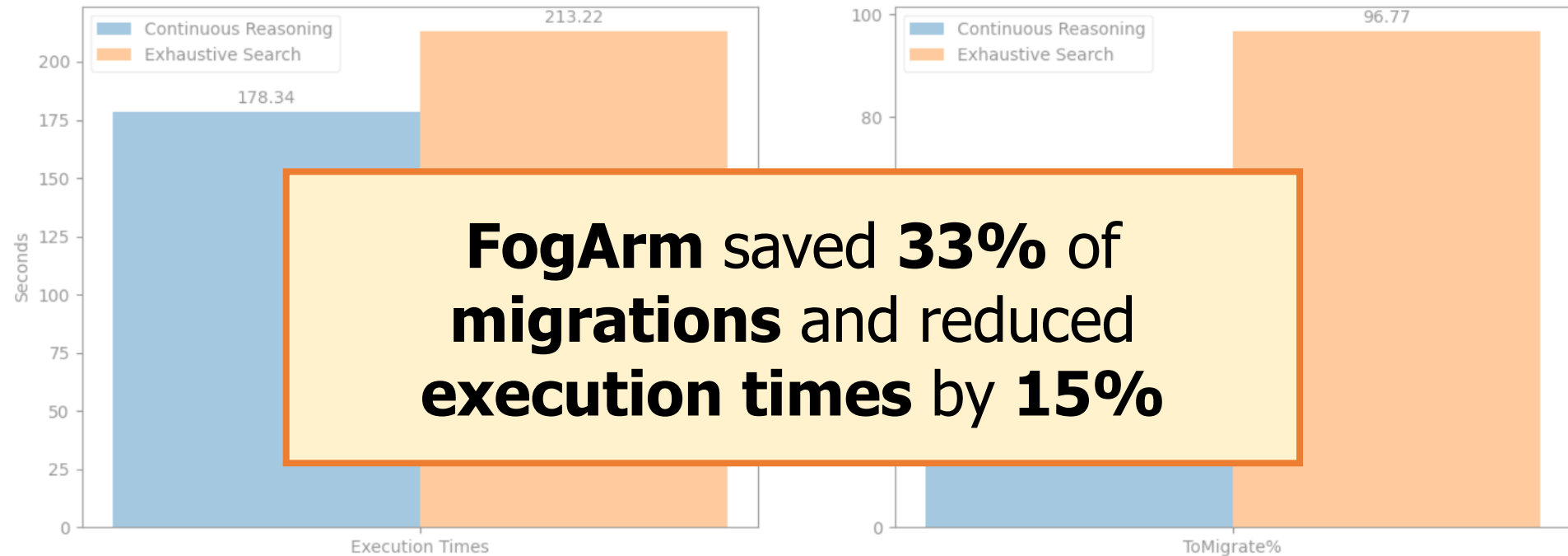


(a) Average times.



(b) Average migrations.

Continuous Reasoning Assessment



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(b) Average migrations.

Conclusions

FogBrainX

- FogBrainX is a declarative engine to support application management via continuous reasoning, considering both variations in the infrastructure and changes in the application requirements.
- FogBrainX speed-up placement decision-making execution time in the order of 3000× to 6000×, even in the presence of thousand of nodes and high variation rates.
- Speed-up increases as the infrastructure size increases.

- FogArm is a prototype of a next-gen orchestrator for the continuous QoS-compliant management of multiservice applications on geographically distributed Cloud-IoT infrastructures.
- Scales up to tens of nodes and hundreds of services saving 15% of execution time and migrating 33% fewer services.

FogArm

Future Work



Support data
migrations

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Support scaling and
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Cost models &
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Theoretical compositional model



Cost models & heuristics

Thank You