

# Achieving Energy Efficiency with a Software Product Line Engineering Approach

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# Why Energy Efficiency?

“Today”

Future

Decrease energy consumption!

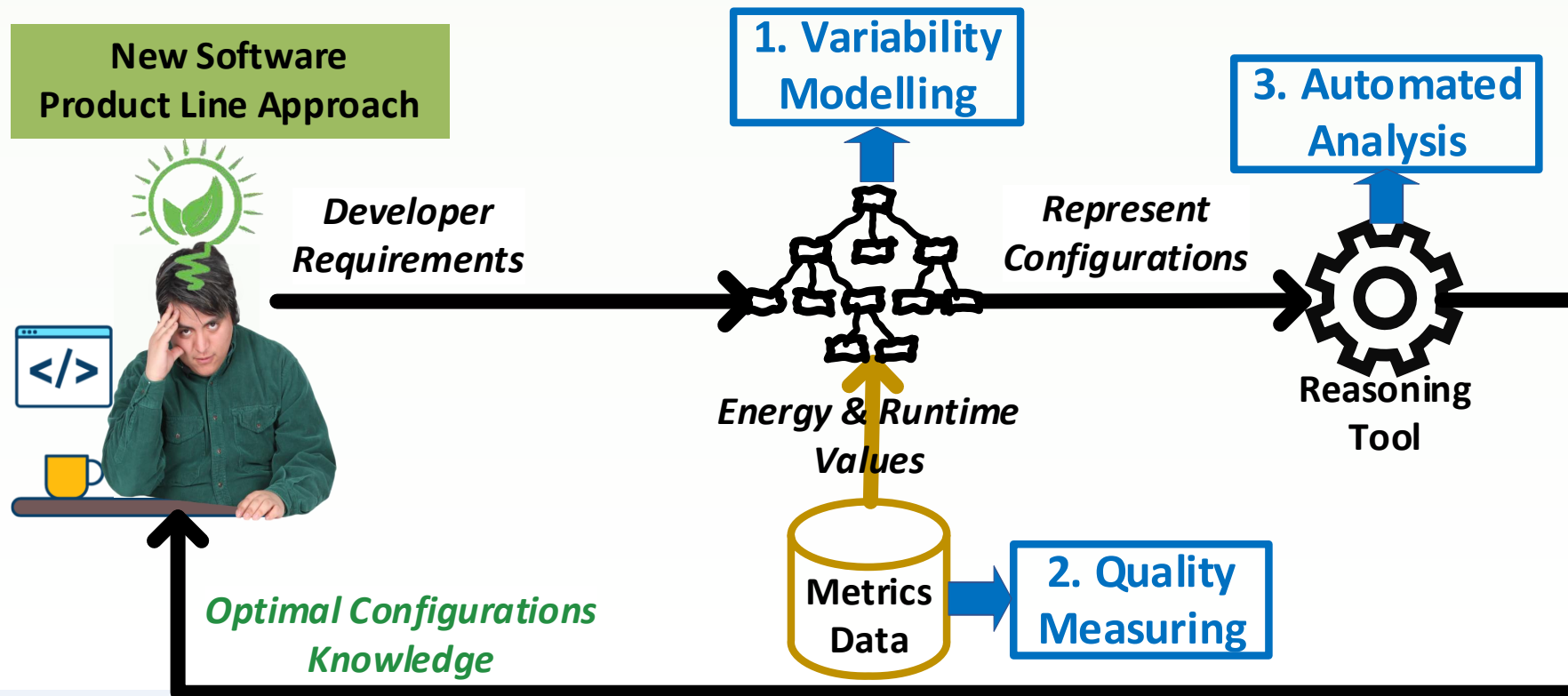
# Why Green Software?



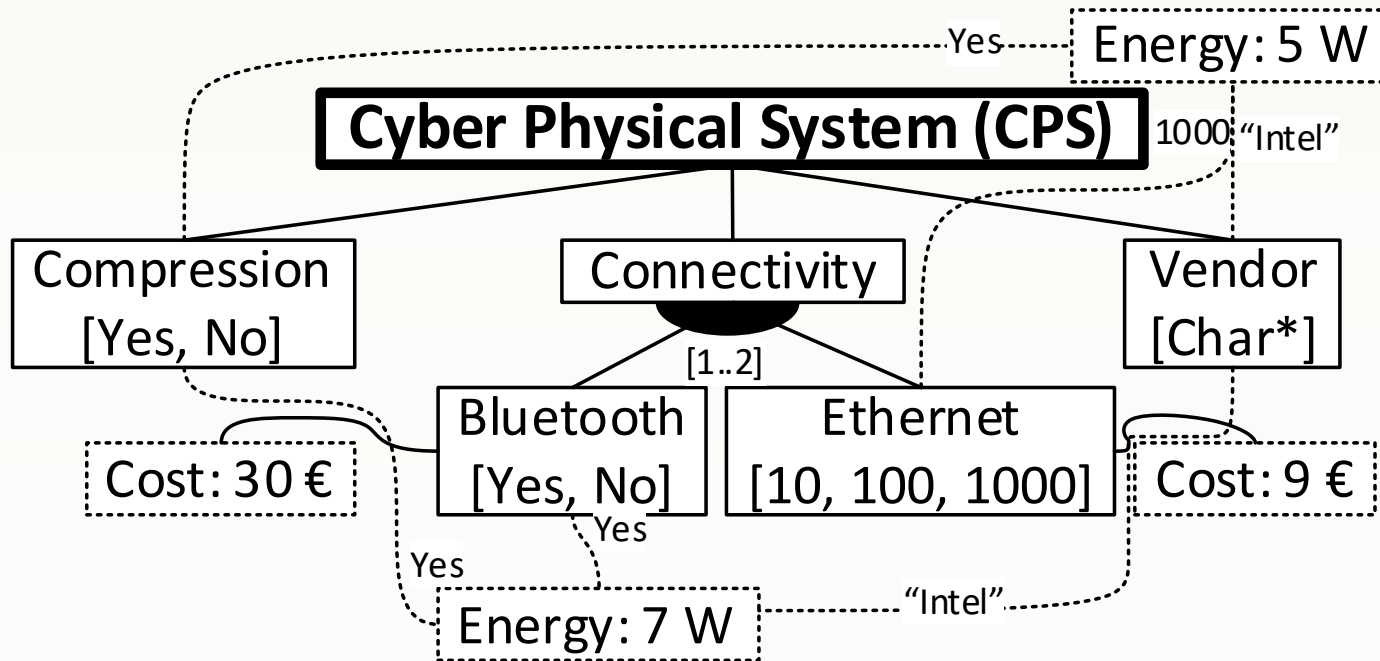
- E.g., Datacentres **1%** of Global Energy
- ICT surpassed Aeronautic Industry
- Intel: *“We can reduce the software energy consumption up to a **90%**”*
- Heterogenous technology: Cyber Physical Systems, the Cloud, Edge Computing, IoT, Virtual Networks...
- Wireless devices with large energy demands and low capacity batteries.

# Objective:

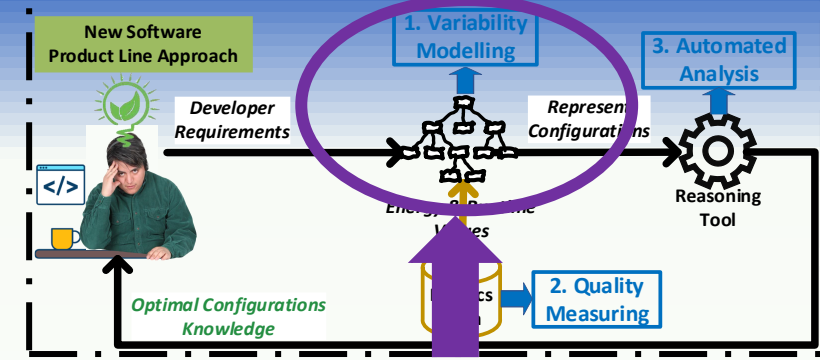
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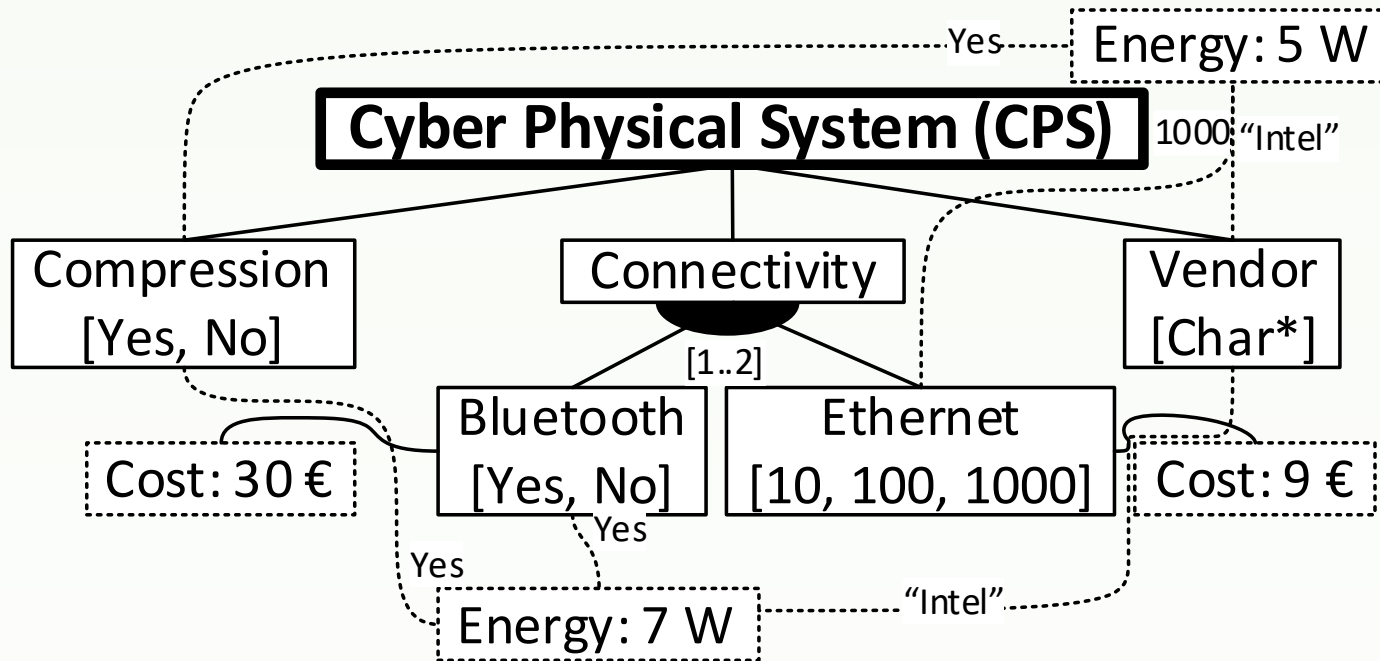


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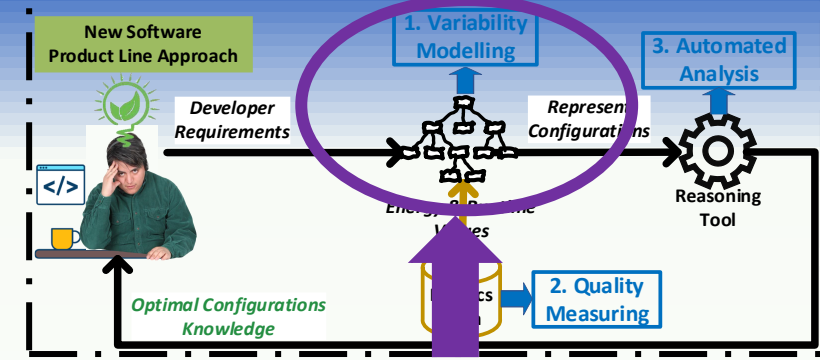


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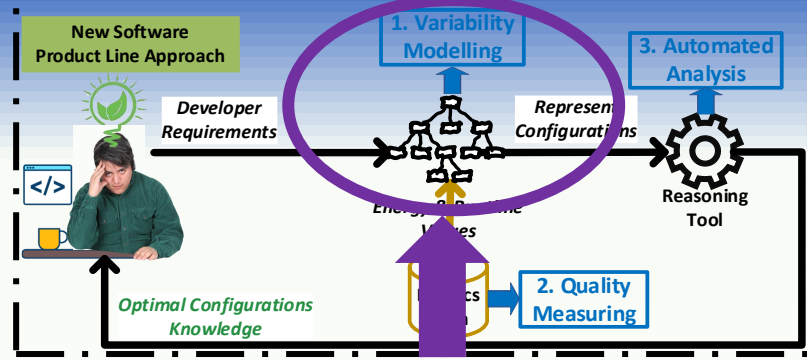
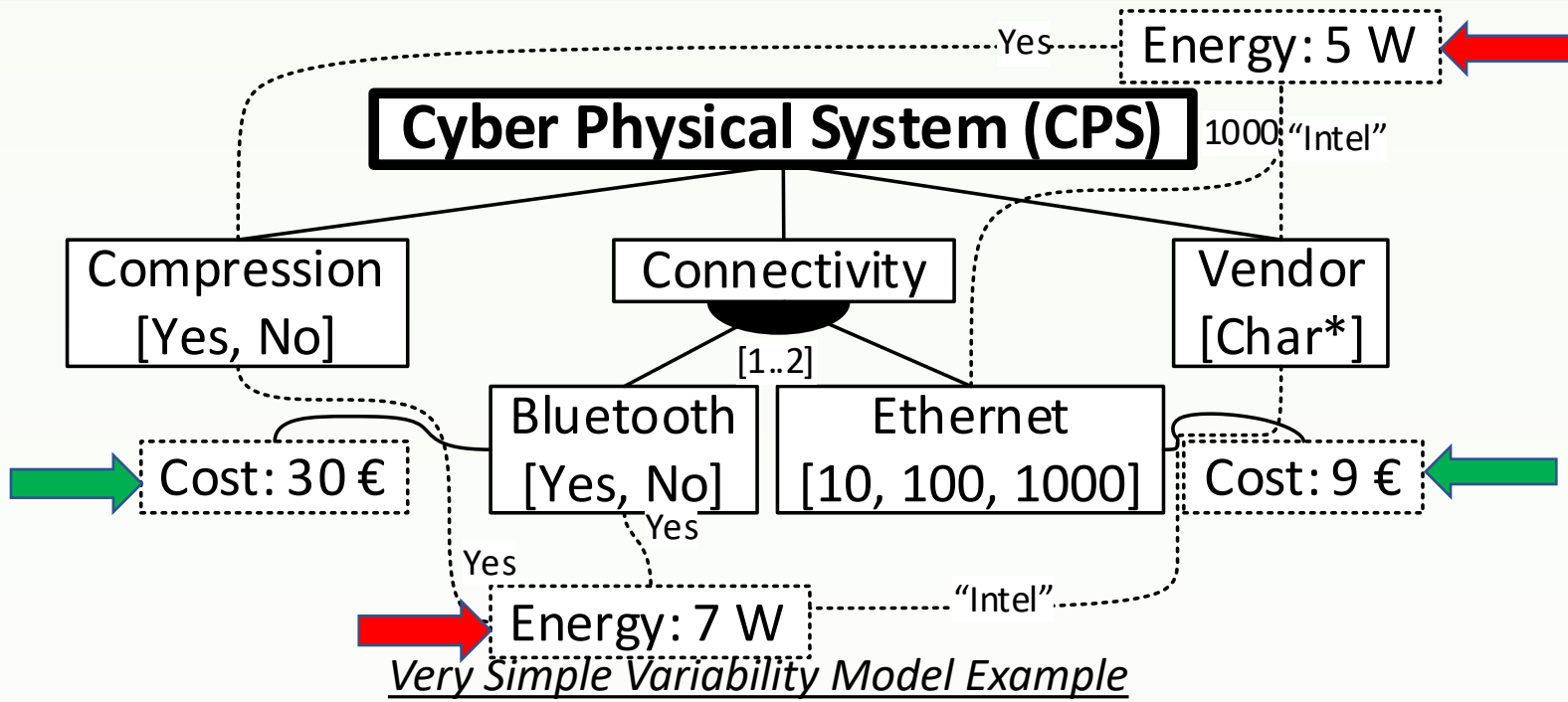
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**Boolean Variability Models present many Limitations when Modelling CPSs**

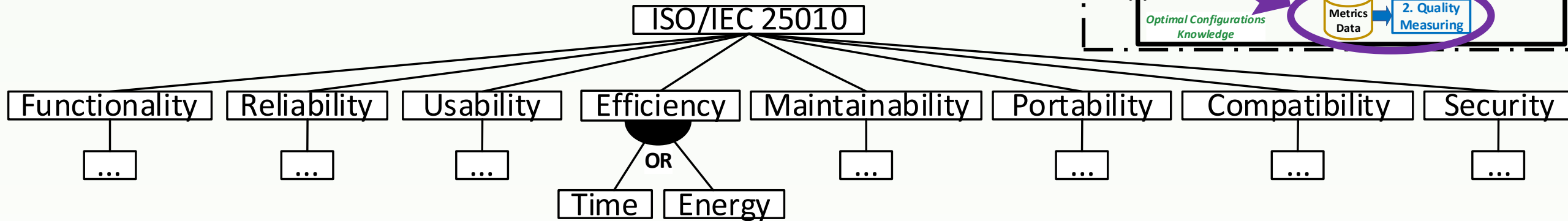
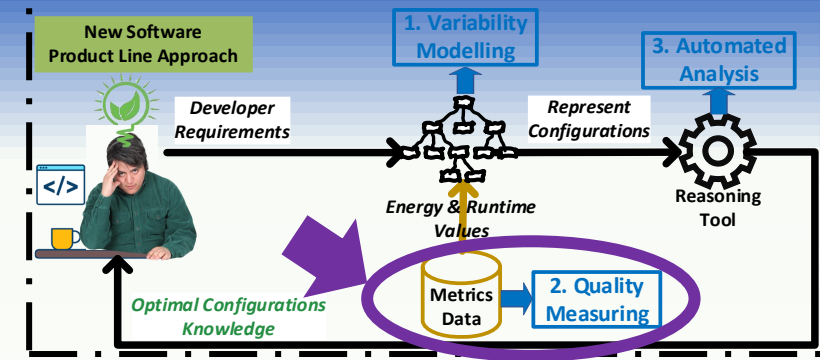
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- Qualities Attributes (QAs) interact at different levels: **Feature**/**Variant**-wise.

**Feature-wise QAs CANNOT ACCURATELY MODEL configuration space QAs**

# 2. Quality Measuring



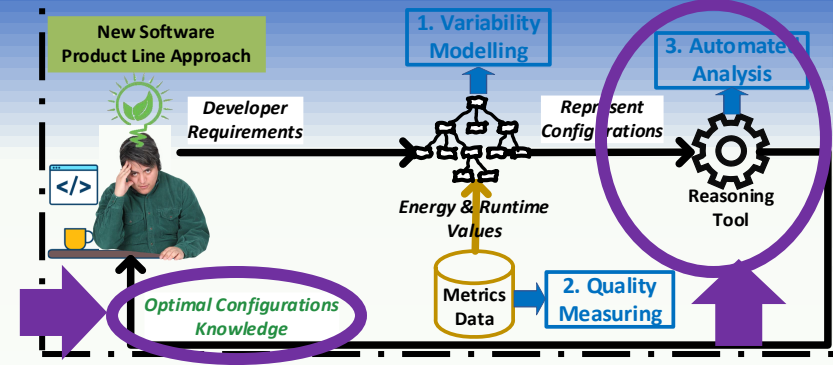
*Quality Model: Standard ISO/IEC 25010*

- **Energy consumption** is too complex for feature-wise modelling
  - **Quality Variant-wise Modelling and Measurement of Large Heterogeneous Configuration Spaces is hard**
  - Unfortunatly
- Integrate variability, QAs modelling and measured values.
- We need tooling expertise to measure energy consumption.
- We cannot automatise the measurement of large heterogenous spaces.
  - E.g., Linux Kernel 2.6 configuration space size is  $\sim 10^{2000}$  configurations.





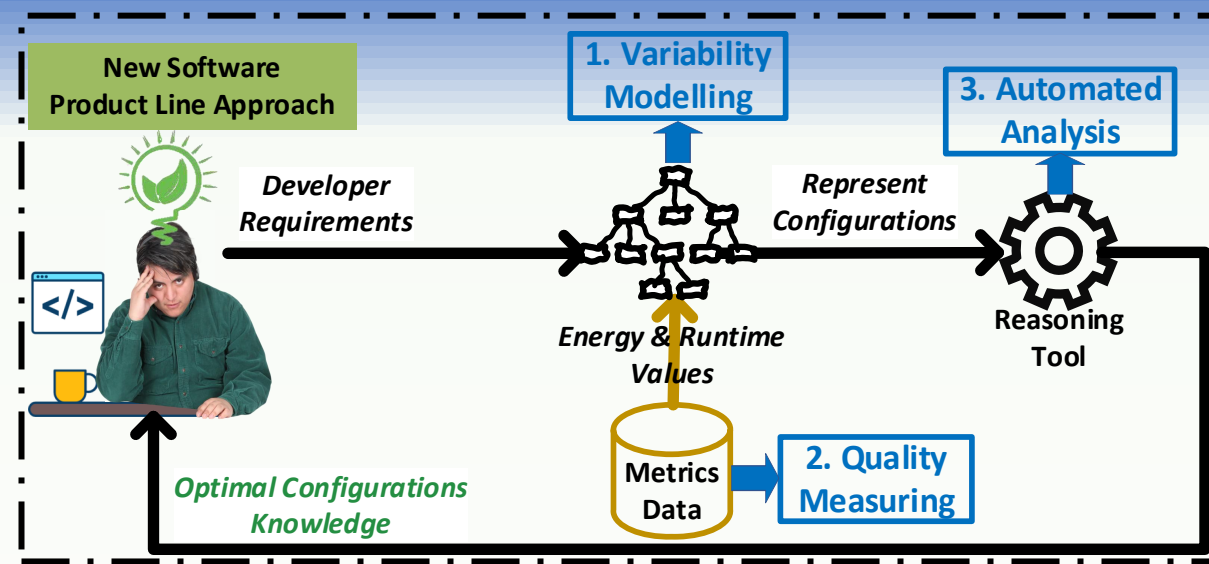
# 3. Automated Analyses



- An SPL approach provides the tools to analyse **large** variability spaces.
- We need many **operations**: satisfiability, counting, sampling, optimisation, etc.
- Different solvers for different problems **ordered by best** performing:
  - **#SAT** for counting Boolean SPLs.
  - **SAT**isfiability for Boolean SPLs.
  - **Constraint Programming** for simple arithmetic SPLs.
  - **Satisfiability Modulo Theory** for complex arithmetic.

**Not enough for real-world CPSs models as Variant-wise QAs are not natively supported**

# Research Questions

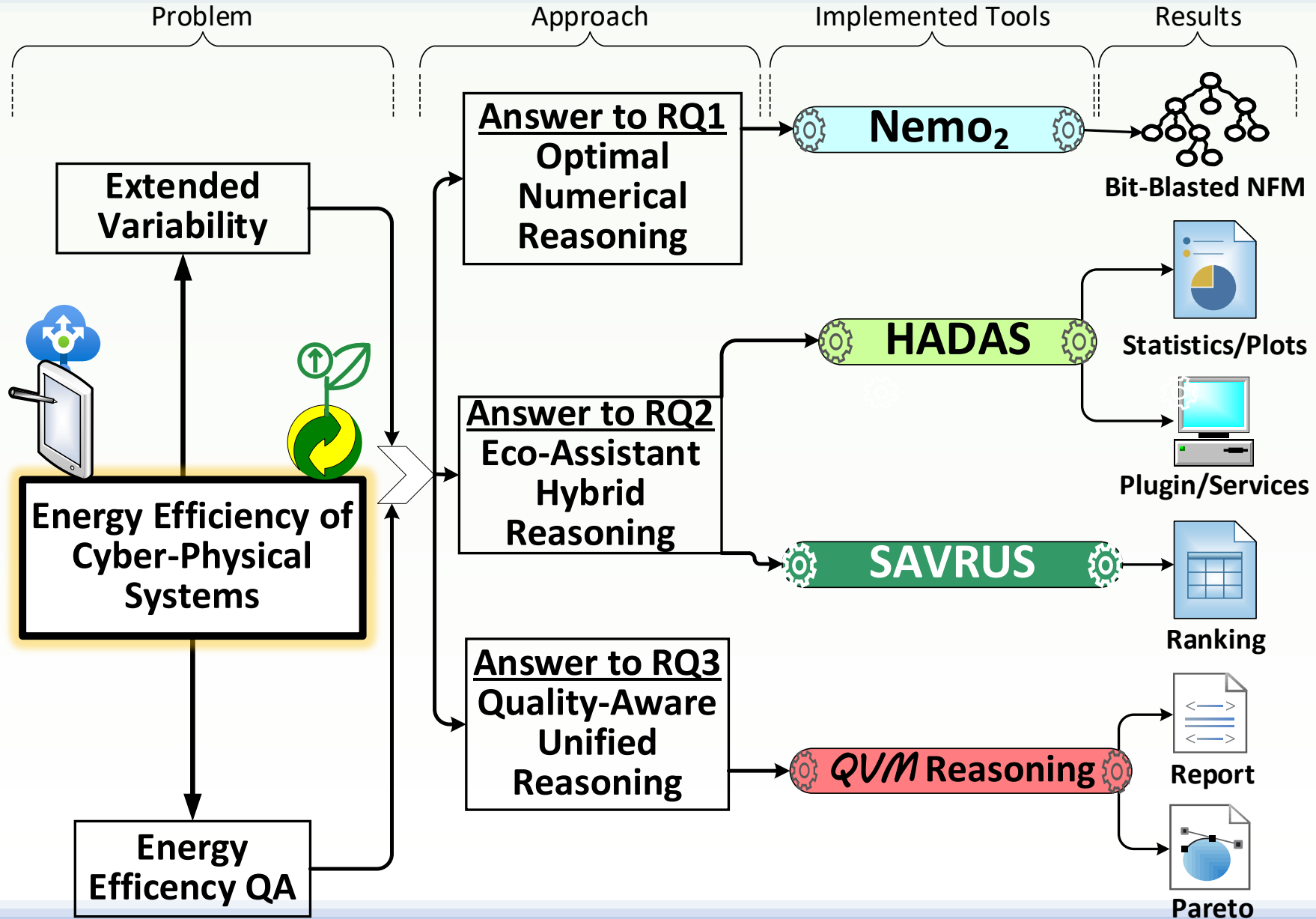


**RQ1:** How can we extend the state-of-the-art (Boolean) solvers to automatically support NFMs without performance degradation?

**RQ2:** How can we automatically provide energy efficiency insights when dealing with colossal, partially unknown, and partially-measured solution spaces based on NFMs and variant-wise QAs?

**RQ3:** How can we properly unify extended NFMs and QMs while having the native support of automated reasoning tools?

# Big Picture



# BACKGROUND

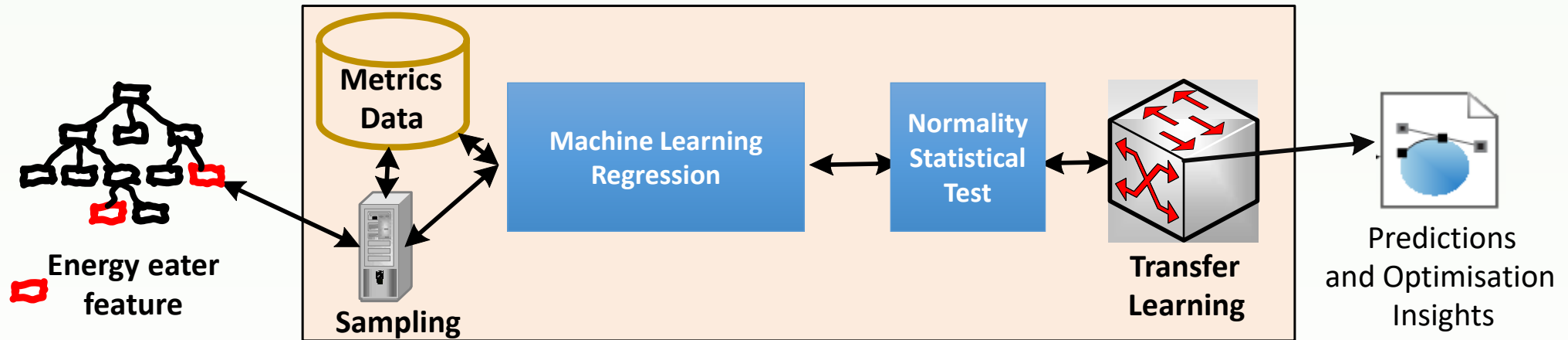
## We need feature models that support numerical features, feature-wise QAs and variant-wise QAs - RQs[1-3]

- Classical Feature Models (FMs): 1st formalisation of Boolean VMs.
- Numerical FMs: FMs that support arithmetic (e.g., Integer).
- Extended FMs: FMs that support feature-wise QAs with aggregation formulas.
  - E.g., Cost QA aggregation is a simple Addition of individual costs.
- Other representations of Boolean VMs
  - Propositional Formulas (PF)
  - Binary Decision Diagrams (BDD). They are the fastest for counting-based operations.

Quality Models are disconnected from Feature Models

# Sampling, Statistics and Machine Learning for QAs

We need techniques that help to identify the energy eater features without measuring and analysing the complete configuration space



- Representative subspace by sampling: T-wise, Random, Recursive and Probabilistic - **RQs[1-3]**.
- Statistical significance:  $\chi^2$  and **Mann-Whitney U** (MWU) - **RQs[1-2]**.
- Regression Approximation of QA values: **k-Nearest Neighbours** (kNN) - **RQ2[SAVRUS]**.
- Transfer Learning: Rank interactions by Scores function - **RQ2[SAVRUS]**.

# RQ1 Approach Optimal Numerical Reasoning

**Bit-Blasting:** Encode Numerical Features as **bits**, and arithmetic as PF clauses:

- Bit-vectors are signed integers by Big-endian binary two's complement encoding.
- Arithmetic: equality (=), inequalities ( $\neq, >, >$ ), addition (+), subtraction (-), multiplication (\*), division (/), and modulo (%).

## Propositional Formulas for 3-bit Two's Complement Signed Integers

Operation	Bit-Blasted model	Propositional formula
$(NF_a \neq NF_b)$	$(a_1 \neq b_1) \vee (a_2 \neq b_2) \vee (a_3 \neq b_3)$	$(a_1 \oplus b_1) \vee (a_2 \oplus b_2) \vee (a_3 \oplus b_3)$
$(NF_a > NF_b)$	$(a_1 < b_1) \vee ((a_1 == b_1) \wedge (a_2 > b_2)) \vee ((a_1 == b_1) \wedge (a_2 == b_2) \wedge (a_3 > b_3))$	$(\neg a_1 \wedge b_1) \vee ((a_1 \Leftrightarrow b_1) \wedge (a_2 \wedge \neg b_2)) \vee ((a_1 \Leftrightarrow b_1) \wedge (a_2 \Leftrightarrow b_2) \wedge (a_3 \wedge \neg b_3))$

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# RQ1 Contribution 2

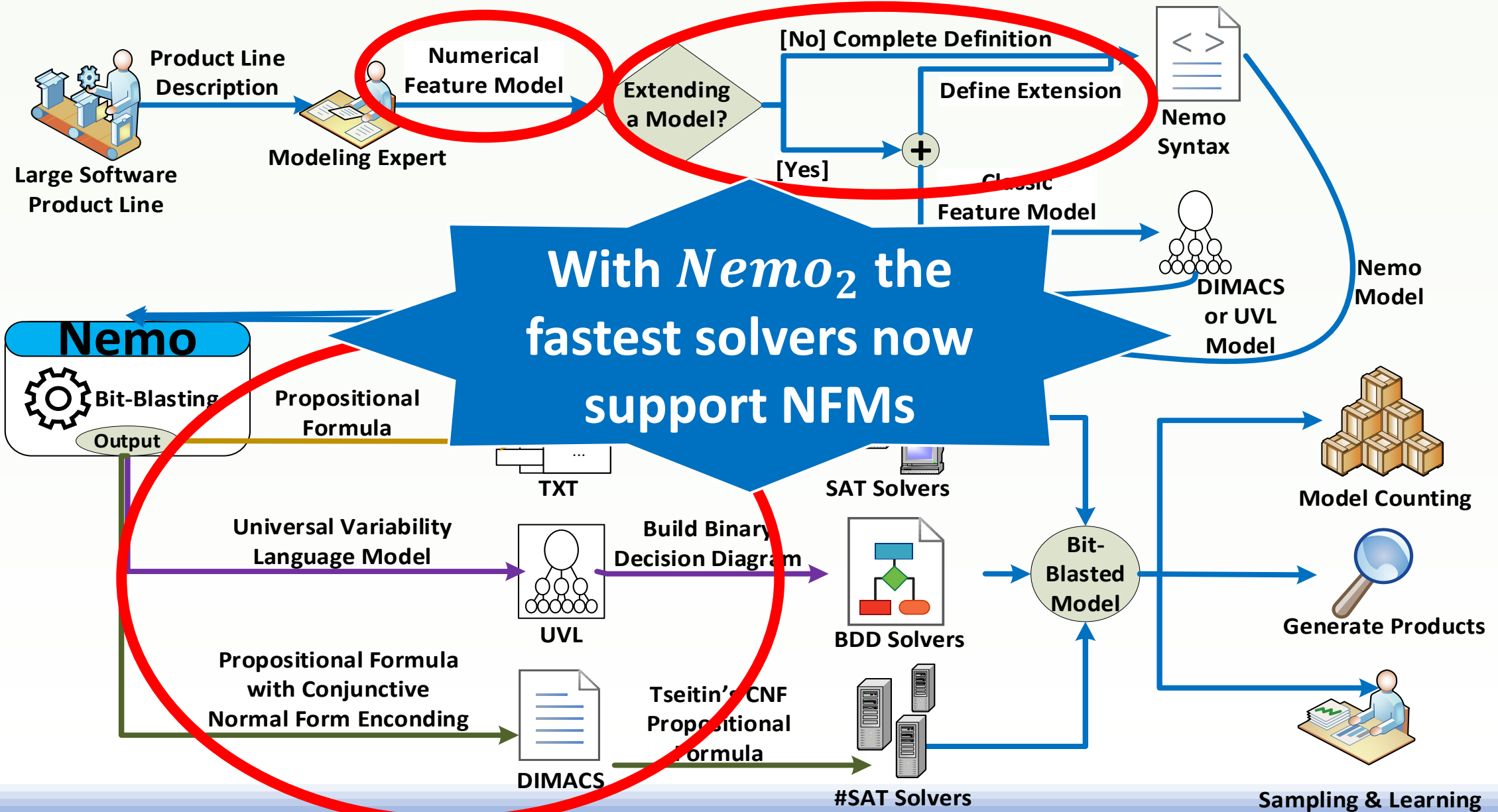
**Definition of our own NFM language** and support of the **fastest reasoning tools**  
 formats: FMs in Universal Variability Language (**UVL**), **DIMACS** and **PF**.

```
def A bool 0      # 0 means new feature
def B bool B      # named in adjunct FM as B
def C bool 0
def D_unsigned [0:1]
def E_unsigned [0:3]
def F_signed [-1:1]
def G_enum_signed [-9, -3, 0, 3]
def H_constant [-2]
ct C -> B
ct A -> (G = 0)
ct A or B
ct (G_enum_signed * H_constant) ≤ E_unsigned
```



```
features
  Root
    optional
      v1 # A_1
      v2 # A_2
      v3 # B_1
      v4 # B_2
      C # Boolean
  constraints
    !(!(v1 | !v2))
    !(!(v2 | v1))
    !(!(v3 | !v4))
    (!(C) | !(!(v1 <=> v3 | !v2 <=> v4)))
```

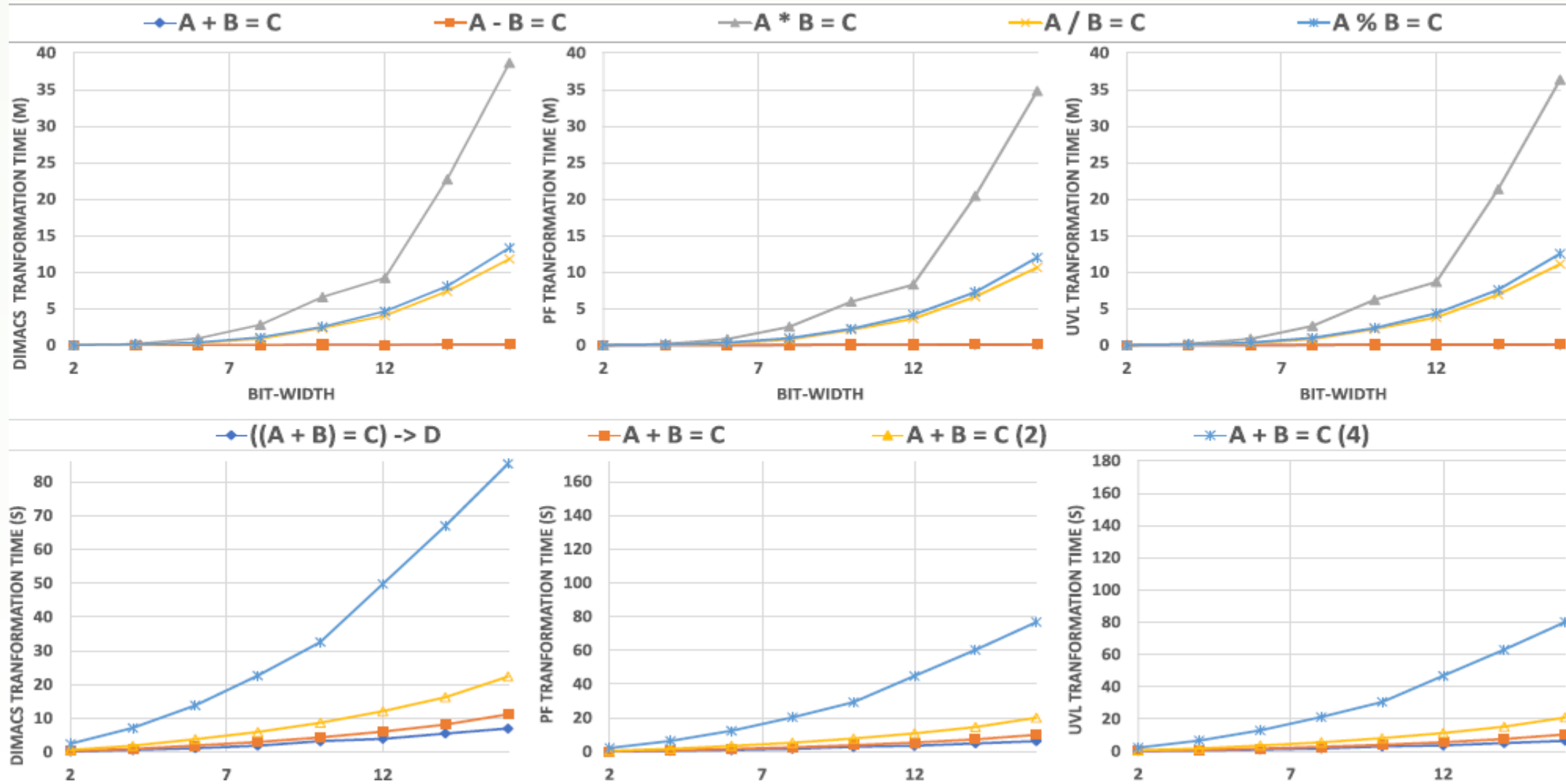
Nemo2 UVL output for:  $A \in [-1, 0]$ ;  $B \in [-1, 1]$   
 C Boolean in "C requires (A != B)"



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# RQ1. Benchmarking *Nemo*<sub>2</sub> Scalability

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*Nemo*<sub>2</sub> can bit-blast up to 12 bit-widths arithmetic operations in seconds

# RQ1. Models Evaluated

NFM	Description	#F	#NFS	#Configs
Dune	Multi-grid solver	11	3	2,304
HSMGP	Stencil-grid solver	14	3	3,456
HiPacc	Image processing	33	2	13,485
Trimesh	Triangle mesh library	13	4	239,360
MOTIV	Mobile Video Sequence	8	13	$3.52 \times 10^{30}$
WeaFQAs	Quality Attributes Weaver	240	5	$1.38 \times 10^{40}$
Fiasco	Real-time microkernel	234	5	$3.06 \times 10^{12}$
axTLS	Client-server library	94	9	$4.96 \times 10^{38}$
uClibc-ng	C Language library	269	6	$8.20 \times 10^{45}$
Busybox 1.18.5	Embedded Linux	631	12	$1.34 \times 10^{191}$
Busybox 1.28	Embedded Linux	1100	12	$1.53 \times 10^{248}$
Linux 2.6.33.3	Operating System Kernel	6467	55	$\sim 5.66 \times 10^{1953}$

# RQ1. Results and Answers

Model counting time					Sampling time		
Counting time	Glucose3	sharpSAT	Flamapy BDD	BDDSampler	Flamapy BDD	BDDSampler	
Dune	0.37 s	0.01 s	0.03 s	0.44 s	2.79 s	3 s	
HSMGP	69.43 s	0.01 s	0.03 s	0.51 s	2.41 s	3 s	
HiPacc	37.08 s	0.01 s	0.05 s	0.6 s	5.5 s	3 s	
Trimesh	180.98 s	0.01 s	0.05 s	0.71 s	5.57 s	3.1 s	
MOTIV	Time-out	0.01 s	Time-out	3.15 s	Time-out	4.61 s	
WeaFQAs	Time-out	0.01 s	Time-out	2.9 s	Time-out	3.68 s	
Fiasco	Time-out	0.01 s	Time-out	1.11 s	Time-out	3.2 s	
axTLS	Time-out	0.01 s	Time-out	2.45 s	Time-out	8.13 s	
uClibc-ng	Time-out	0.01 s	Time-out	4.95 s	Time-out	9.73 s	
Busybox 1.1	Time-out	4.3 h	Time-out	Time-out	Time-out	Time-out	
Busybox 1.2	Time-out	5 h	Time-out	Time-out	Time-out	Time-out	
Linux 2.6	Time-out	Time-out	Time-out	Time-out	Time-out	Time-out	

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With *Nemo*<sub>2</sub>, classical solvers can count and sample real-world NFM configuration spaces of sizes of  $< 10^{248}$  and  $< 10^{45}$  respectively

# RQ1. Results and Answers

**Near-Optimal: Uniform Random Sampling (URS) / Statistical Recursive Search (SRS) + Mann-Whitney U (MWU)**

NFM	$N$	$rSRS$	$rURS$	$rTest$	$pSRS$	$pURS$	$pTest$	$rBetter$
<b>Dune</b>	71.32	0.007	0.016	Pass	0.039	0.042	Pass	93%
<b>HSMGP</b>	66.42	0.008	0.017	Pass	0.005	0.011	Pass	91%
<b>HiPAcc</b>	65.82	0.010	0.017	Pass	0.002	0.004	Pass	82%
<b>Trimesh</b>	129.21	0.003	0.009	Pass	0.003	0.013	Pass	91%

## Finding Near-Optimal Configurations for FSE2015 Systems

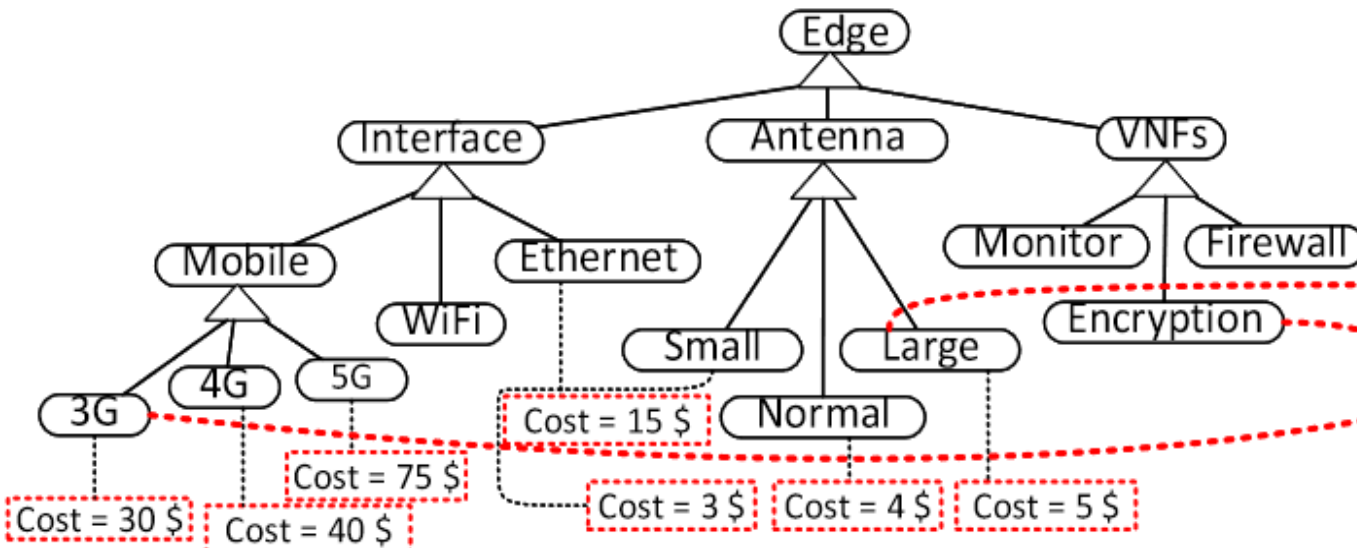
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**With  $Nemo_2$  and URS, we find optimals near 1.4% of the absolute optimal. With SRS we assure an optimal configuration near the 0.8%.**

# RQ2 Approach Eco-Assistant Hybrid Reasoning

# RQ2 Main Focus: Variant-wise QAs

- **Variant-wise:** Valued QAs of sets of features that form complete configurations.
- The QA values are too heterogeneous to define an accurate aggregation formula.
- Consequently, they cannot be modelled in a extended NFM.



...		
Config <sub>x</sub> Leaves	Energy Rate value	Metadata
Config <sub>x</sub> Leaves	Runtime value	Metadata
...		

**Operations without QAs:**  
 SATISFY, COUNT, FILTER,  
 CONFIGURATION GENERATION

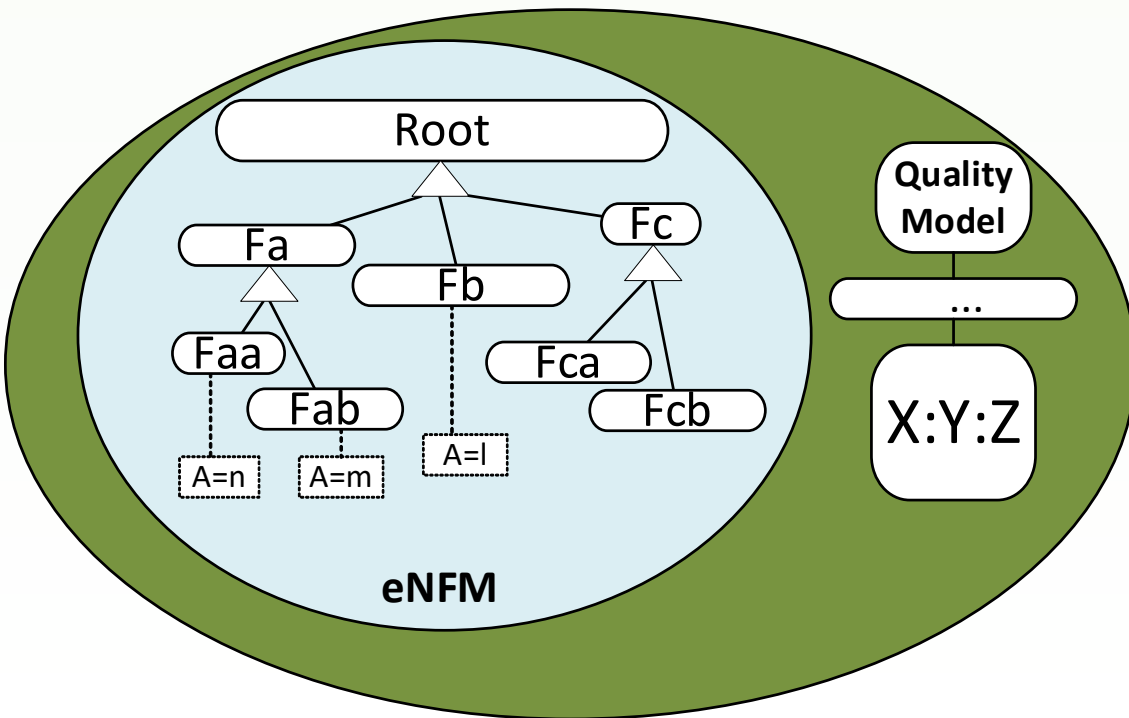
**cross-tree constraints:** Ethernet excludes Antenna

**+** **Operations with feature/variant-wise QAs:**  
 SATISFY a QA  
 COUNT QAs SPACE  
 FILTER by/with QAs  
 CONFIGURATION WITH QA VALUES GENERATION  
 ...



# RQ2: Contributions 1 and 2

1. Define a database schema to store QMs with valued **variant-wise QAs** in **collaborative relational database**.
2. Develop a **PHP algorithm** that soft-links extended NFM's and Energy values by indexing configuration leaves IDs. Technically: Clafer ↔ PHP Query ↔ MariaDB.

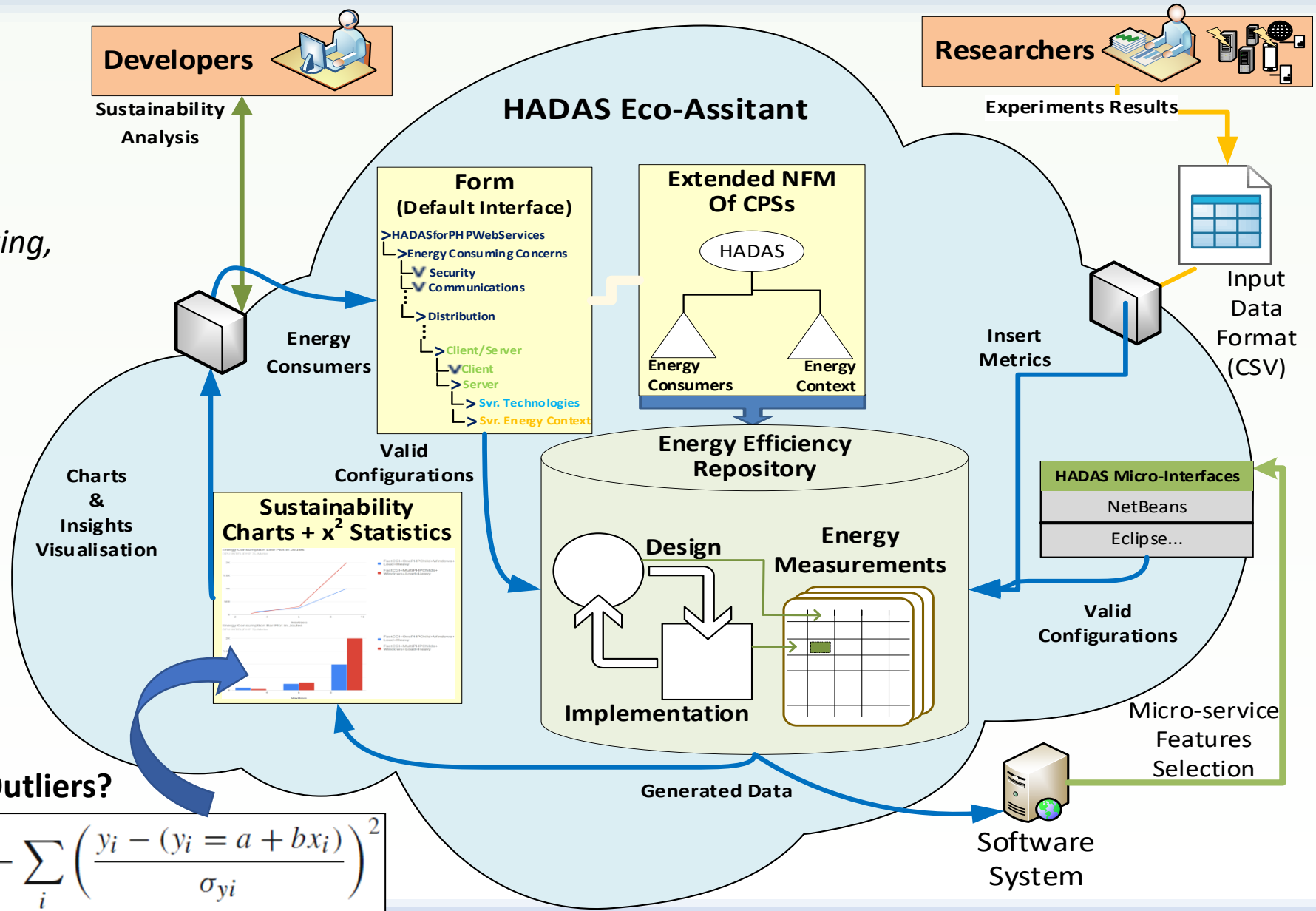


Feature				Quality Model			
ID	Name	Cardinality	Parent	ID	Name	Domain	Parent
1	Root	XOR	1*	-	X	Z	-*
2	Fa	XOR	1*	...			
3	Faa	XOR	2*				
4	Fab	XOR	2*				
5	Fb	XOR	1*				
6	Fc	XOR	1*				
7	Fca	XOR	6*				
8	Fcb	XOR	6*				

Feature Attribute			
ID	Name	Value	Feature
1	A	n	3*
2	A	m	4*
3	A	l	5*

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$x_i \equiv$  Feature  $i$   
 $y_i \equiv$  QA  
 $\sigma_{yi} \equiv$  Estimated error

**Outliers?**

$$\Delta \tilde{\chi}^2 = \sum_i \left( \frac{y_i - \bar{y}}{\sigma_{yi}} \right)^2 - \sum_i \left( \frac{y_i - (y_i = a + bx_i)}{\sigma_{yi}} \right)^2$$

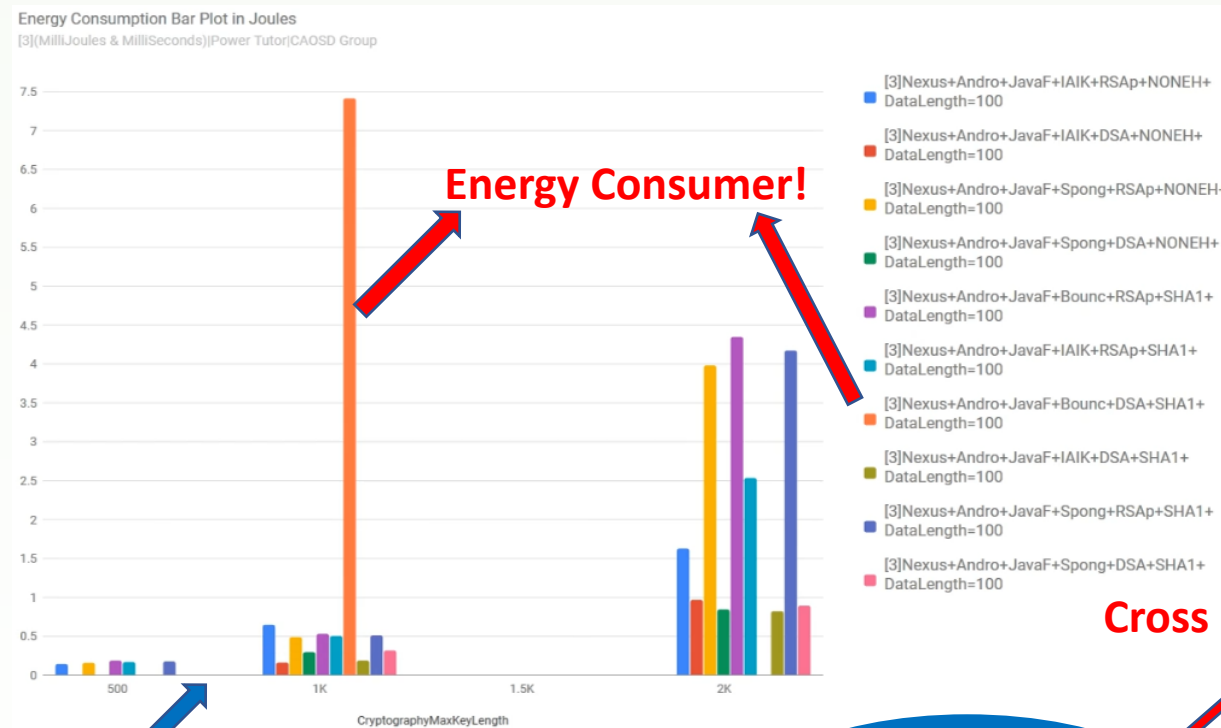
# RQ2: Contribution 3

## Interactive user interface for energy and runtime **statistical** reasoning

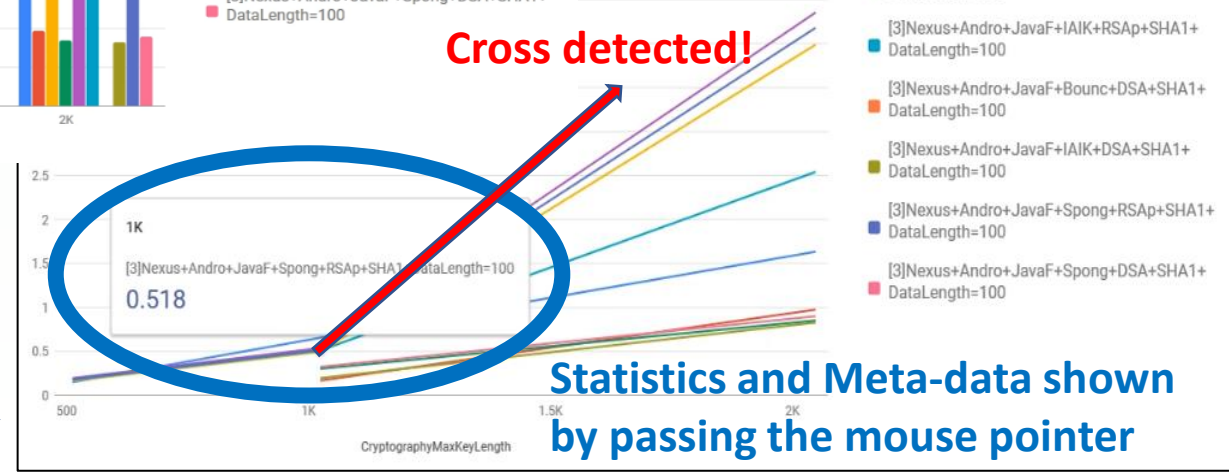
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HADAS - Eco-Assistant

- > HADASVariabilityModel
  - > Device
    - Evaluate All **Boolean**
    - IntelDesktopServer
    - NexusOne
    - Waspnote
  - > OperatingSystem
  - > ProgrammingLanguage
  - > Concerns
    - > Distribution
    - > Security
    - > Communication
      - > PointToPoint
        - > PointToPointTechnologies **Numerical**
          - > Protocol
          - > PointToPointEnergyContext
          - > PointToPointParameters
            - X-Axis Plot Variable
            - PointToPointMaxDataLength -> integer:
            - INFO: PointToPointMaxDataLength ∈ [ 10 ,



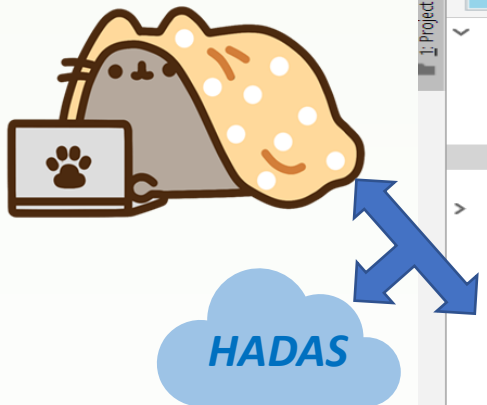
Two types of graphs for each QA



Select One NF as the x-axis

# RQ2: Contribution 4

IDE Plugin that **dynamically** parses the code as features, and connects to HADAS microservice to suggest **energy/time/trade-off** efficient alternatives



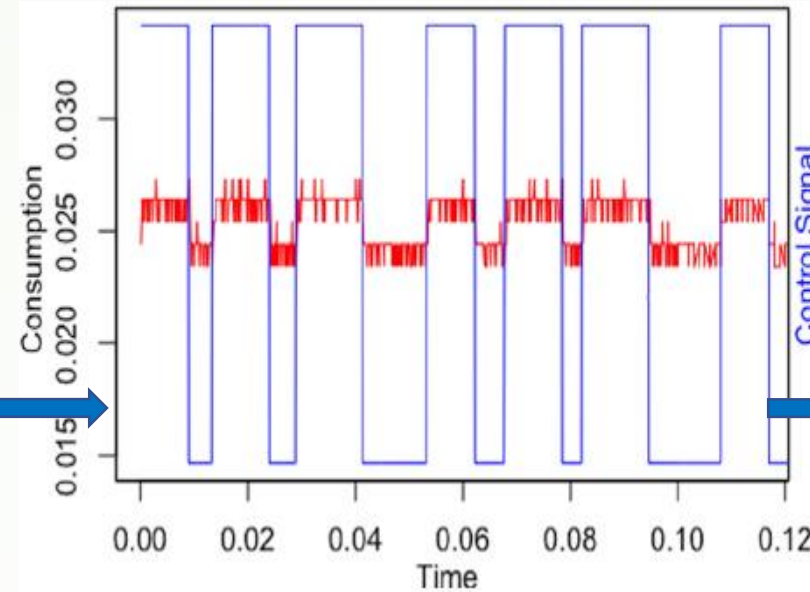
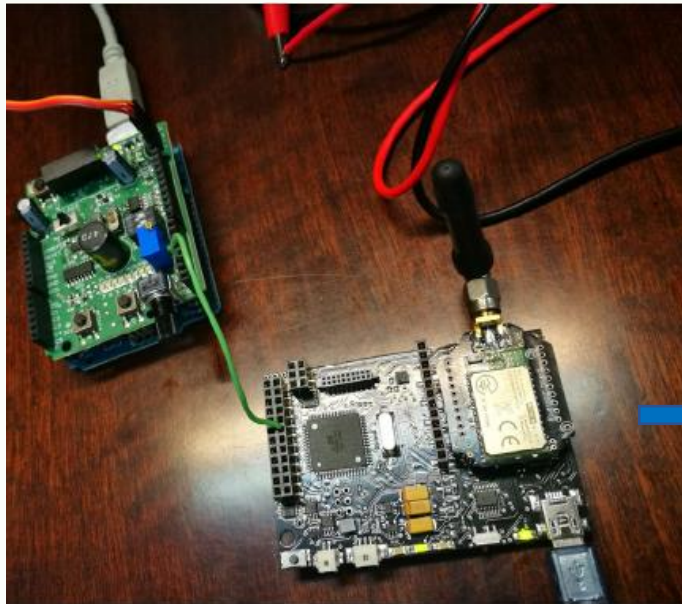
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File Edit View Navigate Code Analyze Refactor Build Run Tools VCS Window Help Consumption
CryptographyDemos > src > AES
Project
  CryptographyDemos E:\Use
    .idea
    libs
    resources
    src
      AES
      CryptographyDemos.iml
    External Libraries
    Scratches and Consoles
AES.java x
1  import ...
2
3
4
5  public class AES {
6      /***** HADAS Consumption information *****/
7      Decrypt operation.
8      Query parameters: BouncyCastle, AES, 128, 100.
9
10     Provider BouncyCastle
11     -----
12     AES-128, ECB, PKCS5, DataLength=100: 6.29 mJ and 62,90 mS (0,1 mW)
13     AES-128, ECB, ZEROS, DataLength=100: 44.66 mJ and 63,80 mS (0,7 mW)
14     AES-128, CBC, PKCS5, DataLength=100: 44.16 mJ and 55,20 mS (0,8 mW)
15     AES-128, CBC, ZEROS, DataLength=100: 54.32 mJ and 77,60 mS (0,7 mW)
16
17     HADAS' Suggestions
18     -----
19     Greenest solution: BouncyCastle, AES-128, ECB, PKCS5, DataLength=100 (6.29 mJ)
20     Fastest solution: BouncyCastle, AES-128, CBC, PKCS5, DataLength=100 (55.20 mS)
21     Balanced solution: BouncyCastle, AES-128, ECB, PKCS5, DataLength=100 (0.1 mW)
22
23     Information retrieved from HADAS.
24     *****/
25     public AES () {
26         Provider provider = Security.getProvider( name: "BC");
27
28         try {
29             byte[] encrypted_text = null;
30             byte[] data = new byte[100];
31
32             SecretKey secretKey:
  
```

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# RQ2: Third-party and Own Energy Measurements



Wasp mote Communication consumption.

Data length	Bluetooth			WiFi		
	Software	Hardware		Software	Hardware	
	Time	Time	Cons.	Time	Time	Cons.
10	100,06	99,42	3,38	3,56	3,10	0,19
100	107,98	107,26	3,62	11,56	10,71	0,65
1000	187,00	186,41	9,65	89,00	89,74	5,75
2000	273,29	273,22	13,28	176,40	176,27	11,43

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- Green-Miner, Green Scaler and Green Oracle energy measurements CSV of Java collection classes and Android applications.
- PHP benchmarks provided by the Phoronix Test Suite.
- Low level C-compiler energy readings with the MAGEEC measurement board from the University of Bristol – *provided in a research stay in the micro-controllers group.*

# RQ2: Evaluation with a Survey to Experienced Developers

- 17 participants with different expertise evaluated *HADAS* with a Likert scale.

Likert-scale question	Average
1. The developers have considered a similar solution before	0.4
2. The plugin is user-friendly	3.6
3. The information provided by the plugin is understandable	3.9
4. The plugin interface is consistent with the IDE	3.9
5. The prompt to constraint the variability is clear	3.9
6. The plugin is complex	4.1
7. The developers will recommend the plugin	3.8
8. The developers will make use of the plugin	3.8

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**Professional programmers recommend *HADAS* usage 3.9/5**

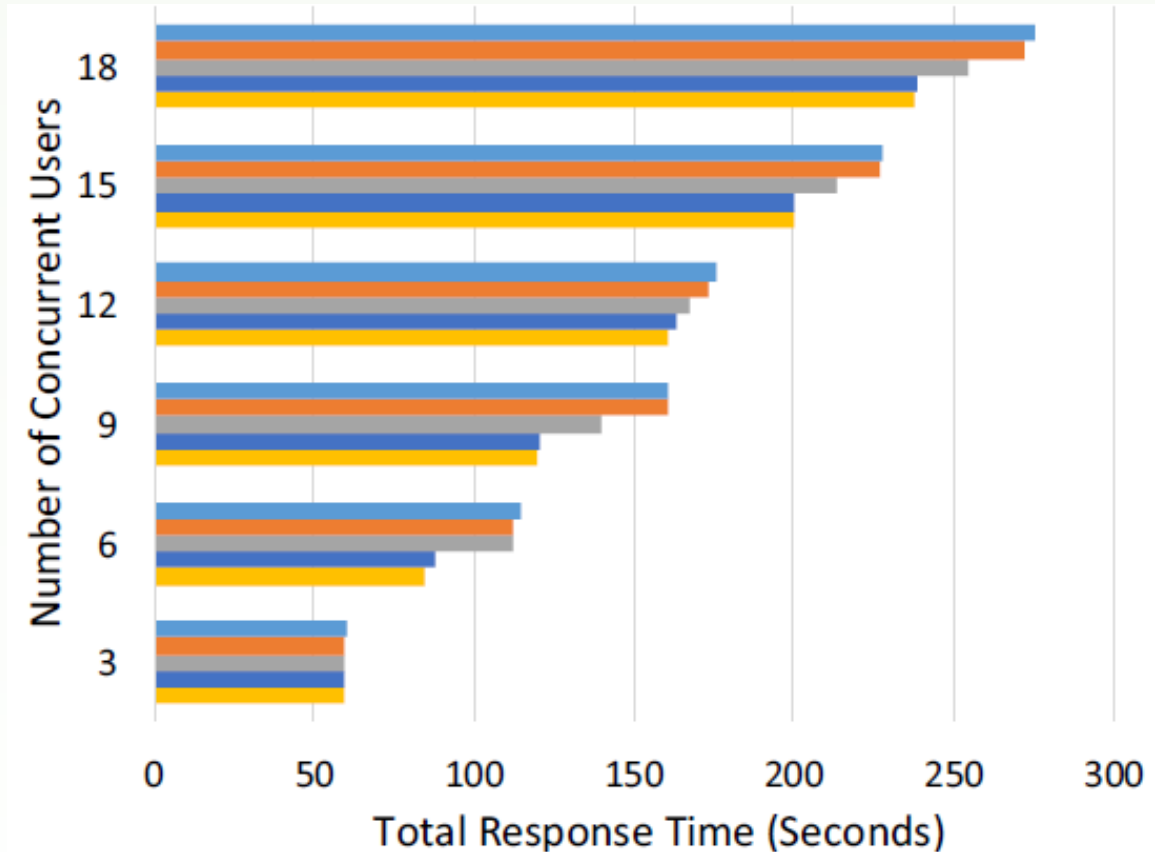
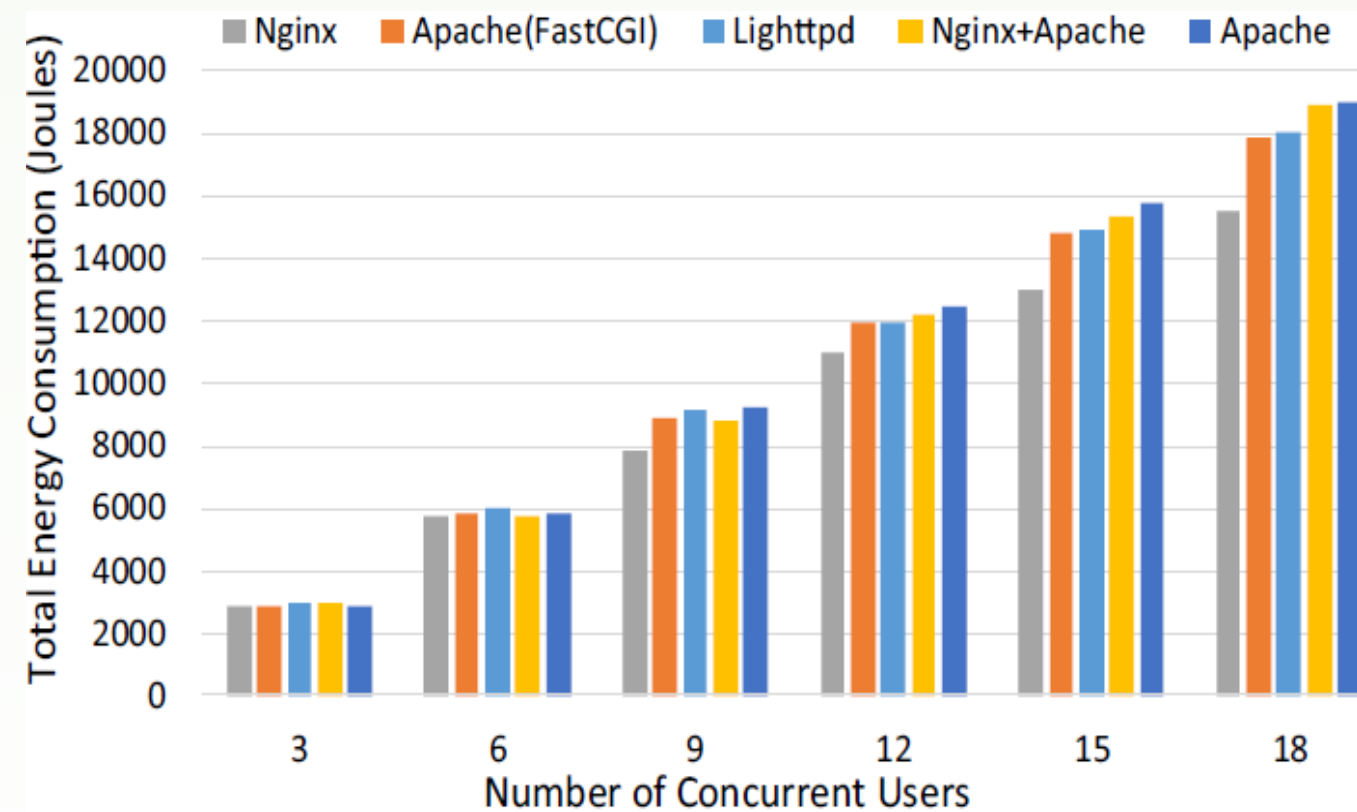
# RQ2: Benchmarking *HADAS* Scalability

Configuration Size	# Configurations	Milliseconds
5	10	4
5	50	6
10	10	10
10	200	16
20	10	32
20	800	54

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***HADAS* processing is in the ms region for common CPSs analyses  
The number of features affects more than the configuration space**

# RQ2: *HADAS* Results and Answers



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***HADAS* reduced the energy consumption of CPSs up to 70% and of web servers running PHP services up to 25%**



# RQ2: Partially Measured Colossal Configuration Spaces

*Who wants to manually measure the energy consumption of  $10^{200}$  different configurations?*



*? What will happen if the Configuration Space is Partially Measured?*

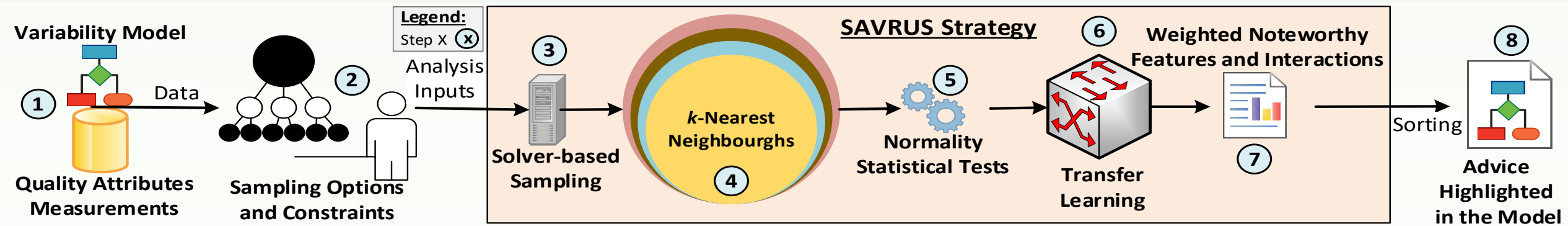
- **Measure** the energy consumption of large spaces is **unfeasible**.
- **Automatise** the measuring of heterogenous systems is **unfeasible**.
- Build **energy models** is computationally complex and they are **inaccurate**.
- We need some **advices** and **in short times** – developers are not patience.

**What can we do?**

# RQ2: Unfortunately....



*It is  
unsolvable  
and here  
finish this RQ*



Modular algorithm based in **machine and transfer learning**:

- Re-work *HADAS* for partially measured spaces.
- Step 3 **Sampling**: **SRS** or Diversified Distance-Based Sampling (**DDbS**) to generate a **subspace**.
- Step 4 Regression **approximation**:
  - **kNN** to approximate unmeasured samples.
  - N-dimensions Manhattan distance:  $|X_1 - Y_1| + |X_2 - Y_2| + \dots + |X_n - Y_n|$
- Step 5 **Statistical** noteworthiness test:
  - Detect interactive features to the energy consumption up to **3-Wise\***.
  - **MWU** to assured a **95% of interaction confidence**.
- Step 6 **Transfer learning\*** from previous *SAVRUS* executions: **Scores** of Local Outlier Factor [0,1].

# RQ2: Contribution 5 and SAVRUS Tool Result

## SAVRUS: The Smart Analyser

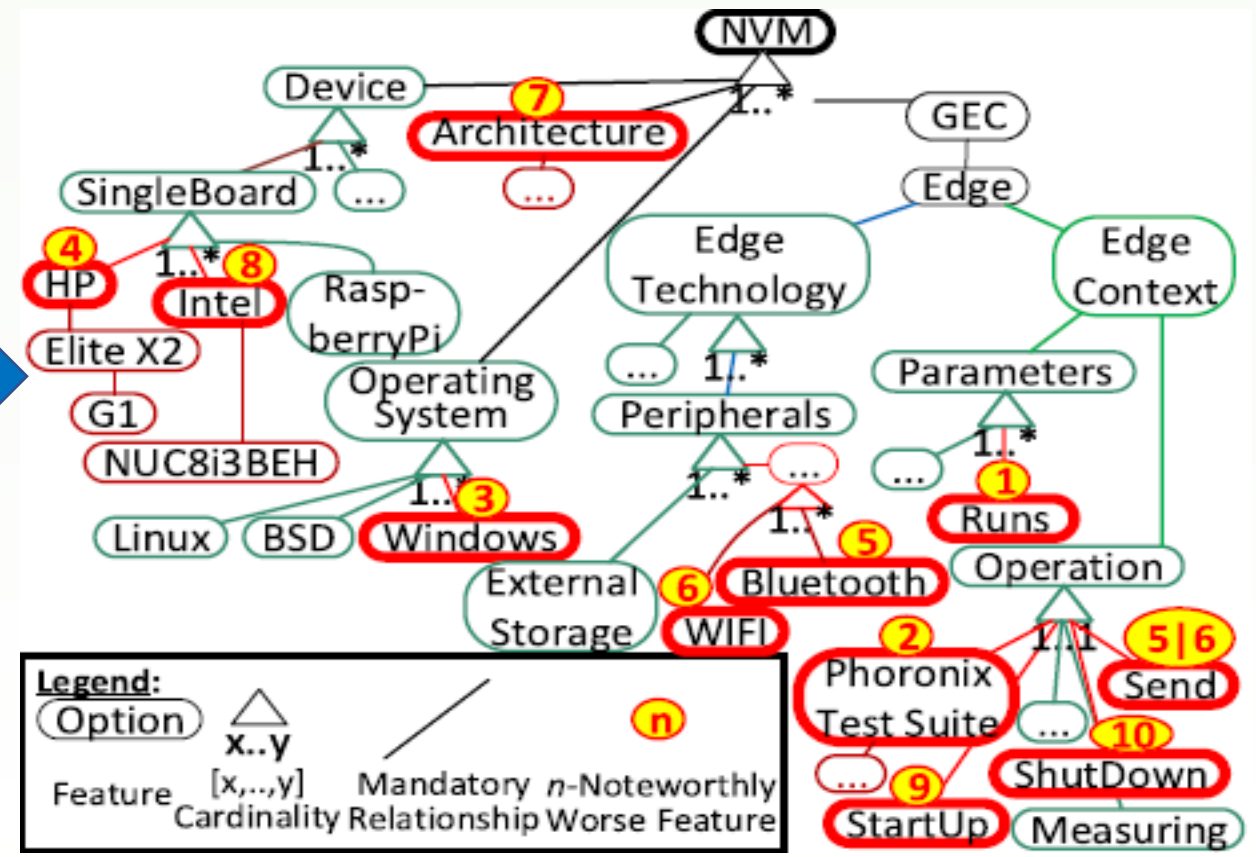
**Analysis parameters**  
 Number of samples   
 StatisticalRecursiveSearch  
 DiversifiedDistanceBased

**Details** (Numerical) Variability Model selection  
 GEC model

- L > UserRequirements
  - L > Device
    - L  Evaluate All
    - L  XiaomiMi9464
    - L  RaspberryPi3Bplus
    - L  IntelNUC8i3BEH
    - L  HPEliteX2G1
  - L < Architecture
  - L < OperatingSystem
  - L < ProgrammingLanguage
  - L < SoftwareConstraints

### 3-wise\* features ranked by their effect to energy consumption (or another QA)

**SAVRUS Algorithm** →



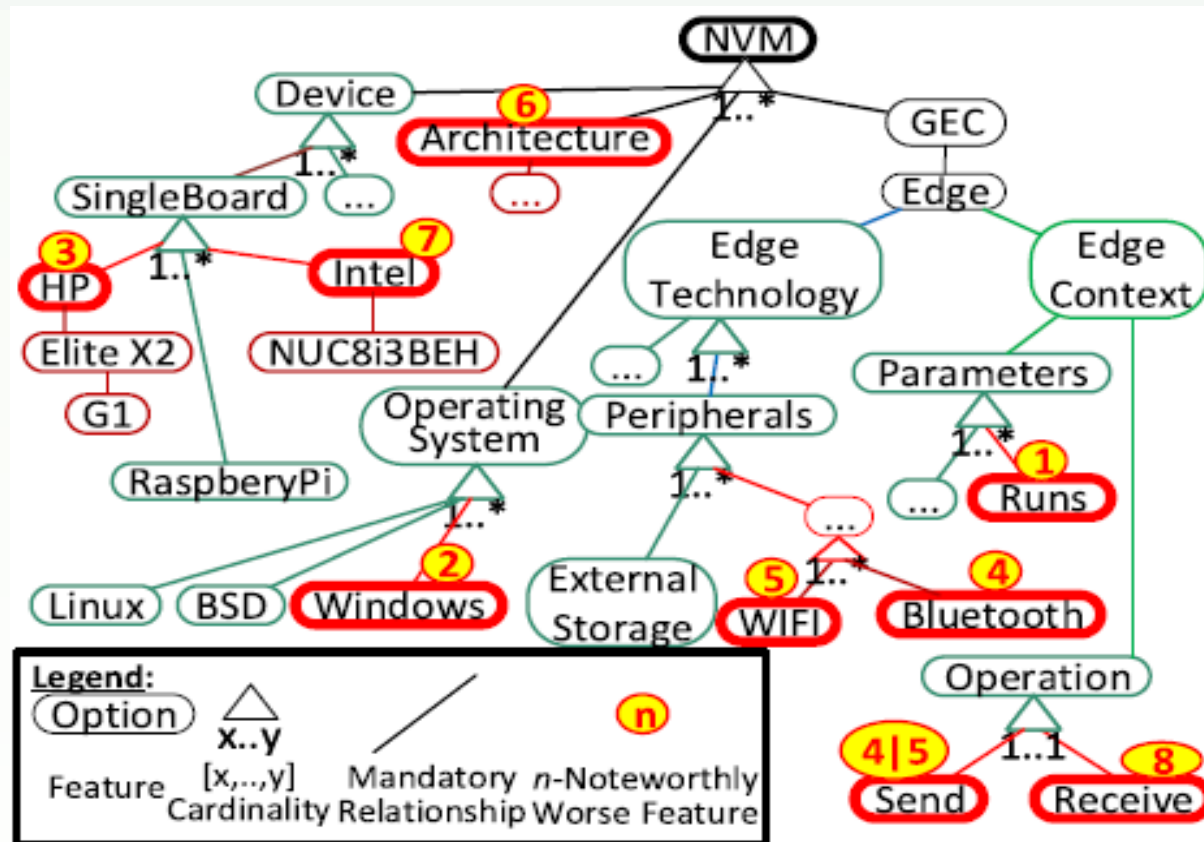
# RQ2: Real-World Models Evaluated in SAVRUS

NVM	Description	#Booleans	#Numericals	Space	#Measurements
Dune	Multi-grid solver	11	3	2,304	2,304
HSMGP	Stencil-grid solver	14	3	3,456	3,456
HiPAcc	Image analysis framework	33	2	13,485	13,485
Trimesh	Triangle mesh library	13	4	239,360	239,360
GEC	Generic edge computing	552	2	$\sim 5.3 * 10^8$	132,500

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- We need a large and partially measured space to test the results of *SAVRUS*.
- We need **completely measured spaces** to test coverage and accuracy of *SAVRUS*. In each execution we **degrade** differently their measured space.

# RQ2: SAVRUS Results and Answers



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GEC up to 90% energy consumption reduction by performing a sequence of SAVRUS analyses with just 3% samples of the 0.25% measurements of the total space

# RQ2: SAVRUS Results and Answers

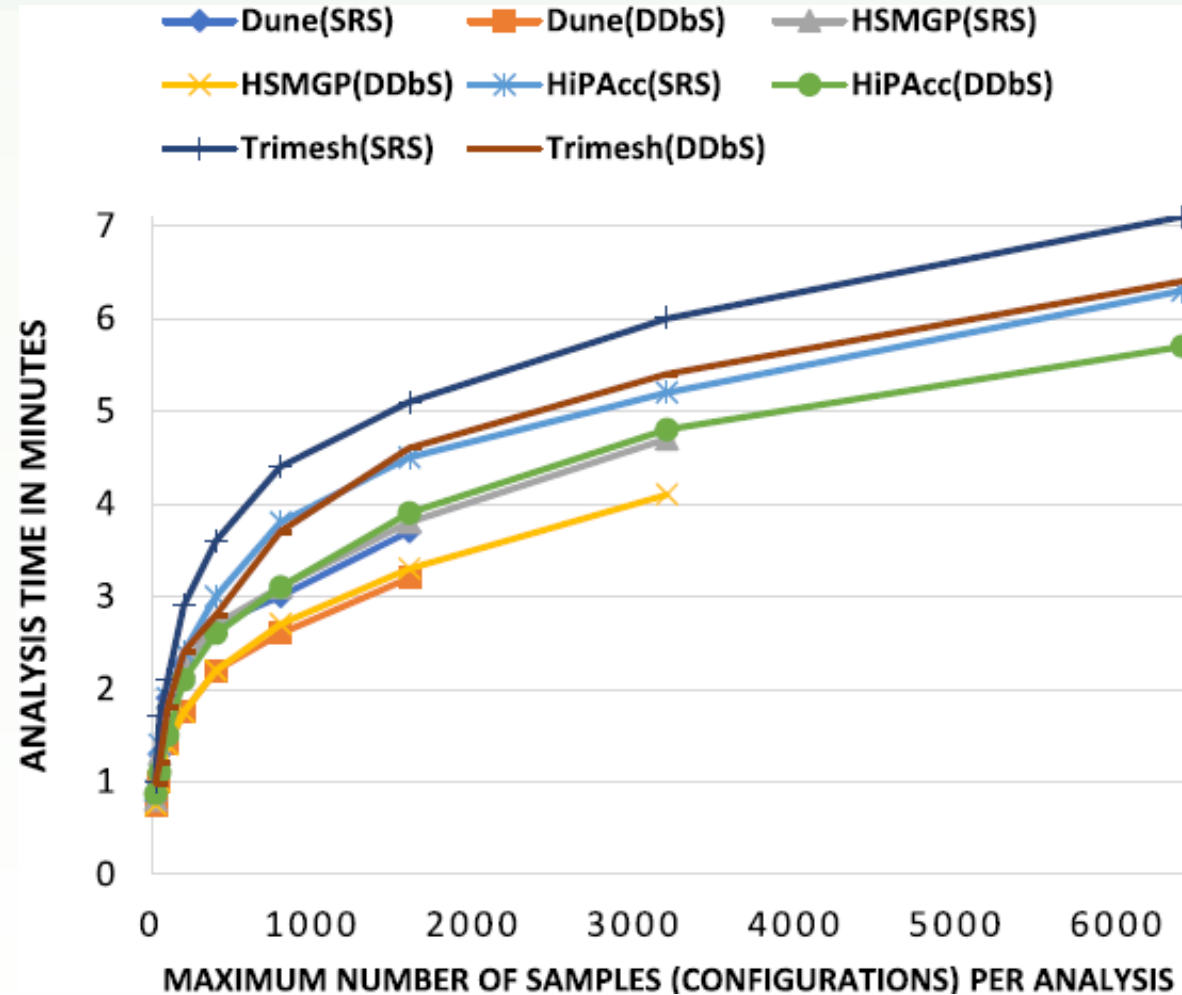
SAVRUS time, coverage and accuracy for SRS/DDbS querying 3% samples of the incompletely measured space of four real-world systems.

Sampling	SRS			DDbS		
<i>Model</i>	Time	Coverage	Accuracy	Time	Coverage	Accuracy
<i>Dune</i>	1.5 m	73.2%	86.7%	1.3 m	76.9%	83.9%
<i>HSMGP</i>	1.9 m	72.4%	85.4%	1.4 m	75.7%	83.5%
<i>HiPAcc</i>	3.7 m	70.5%	84.1%	2.8 m	73%	83.3%
<i>Trimesh</i>	7.3 m	65.2%	83%	6.6 m	68.7%	82.8%
<b>Mean:</b>	<b>3.6 m</b>	<b>70.3%</b>	<b>84.8%</b>	<b>3 m</b>	<b>73.6%</b>	<b>83.4%</b>

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- SAVRUS generates a correct ranking of noteworthy features and interactions in average ~80% of the times with a similar coverage
- SRS is more accurate but slower than DDbS

# RQ2: Benchmarking SAVRUS Scalability



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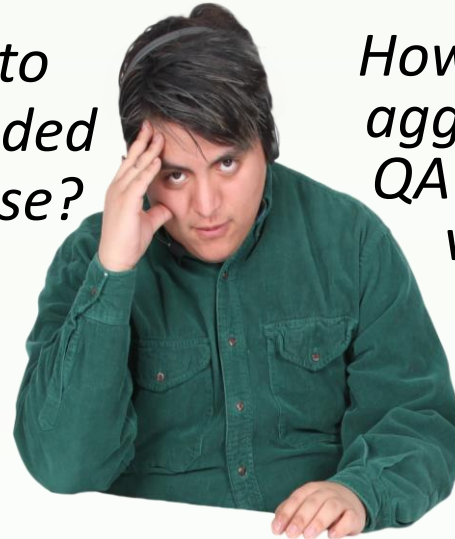
SAVRUS has base runtime of ~1 minute, taking less than 3 minutes for comprehensible executions and ~7 minutes in the worst cases.





# RQ3: Unify Variability and Quality Modelling

*Do I really need to maintain an extended FM and a Database?*



*How can I define that an aggregated feature-wise QA is interacting with a variant-wise one?*

- CPSs require **quality-aware** and advance reasoning:
  - Classical operations: SAT, compute configurations, model counting, etc.
  - Quality-aware operations: QAs SAT, generate/count measured spaces, etc.
  - Interactions between QAs: Constraints between Feature-wise and Variant-wise QA values.
  - Optimisation: Multi-objective, valued trade-offs, etc.

**Formally define a unified extended NFM and valued QM standard**

# RQ3 BACKGROUND

# Why Are You Using the Exotic Category Theory? – Reviewer X

Just focus on the reddish boxes



→ Model	NVM	Category Theory	Set Theory	FODA	Codd Algebra	HOL	Arithmetic
↓ Entity							
Structured Model	Labelled NVM	Category	Finite Set	Labelled FM	Data Schema	Logic Formula	Plane
Entities	Sub-tree, Feature, Solution	Sub-Category, Object, Instance	Sub-Set, Element	Sub-tree, Feature, Configuration	<i>Table, Cell</i>	Partial Formula, Variable	Sub-System, Equation, Variable
Boolean Type	$\mathbb{B}$ Feature	$\mathbb{B}$	$\mathbb{B}$	Feature	$\mathbb{B}$	$\mathbb{B}$	<i>Pseudo-<math>\mathbb{B}</math>: [0,1]</i>
Numerical Type	N, Z, R Feature	N, Z, R	<i>N, Z Finite Sets</i>	<i>Un-supported</i>	N, Z, R	<i>Un-supported</i>	N, Z, R

**Category Theory supports everything natively**

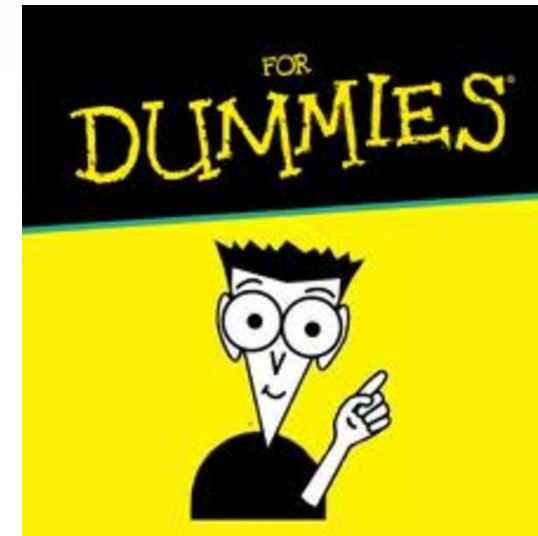
Selection	Assert	$\Delta$	$\in$	Require	$\pi_{[Column]}$	True	=
Exclusion	Not	$-\Delta$	$\notin$	Exclude	$-\pi_{[Column]}$	False	$\neq$
Connectives	&&,     , [x..y], $\Rightarrow, \equiv$	$\sum_{[Functor]}$ , $\prod_{[Functor]}$ , X	$\wedge, \vee, \oplus$ , If, $\Rightarrow, \equiv$	And, Or, xOR, $\Rightarrow, \equiv$	Foreign Key, $\cap, \cup, \uplus$ , Joins <sub>[X]</sub>	$\wedge, \vee, \oplus$ , If, $\Rightarrow, \equiv$ , $\forall, \exists, !$	Equation Systems
Equalities	=, $\neq$ , >, $\geq$ , <, $\leq$	=, $\neq$ , >, $\geq$ , <, $\leq$	<i>=, <math>\neq</math></i>	<i>=, <math>\neq</math></i>	=, $\neq$ , >, $\geq$ , <, $\leq$	<i>=, <math>\neq</math></i>	=, $\neq$ , >, $\geq$ , <, $\leq$
Mathematics	+, -, *, $\div$ , %...	+, -, *, $\div$ , %...	<i>Pre/Successor</i>	<i>Un-supported</i>	<i>Un-supported</i>	<i>Un-supported</i>	+, -, *, $\div$ , %...

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# Fundamentals of Category Theory

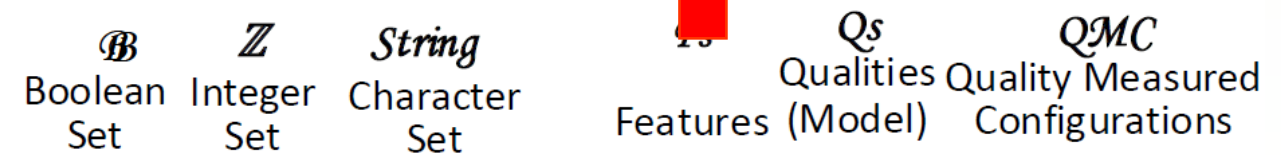
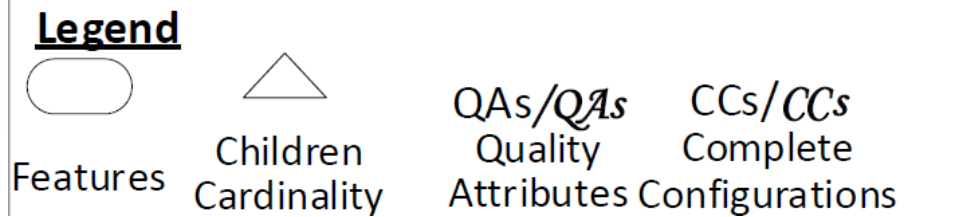
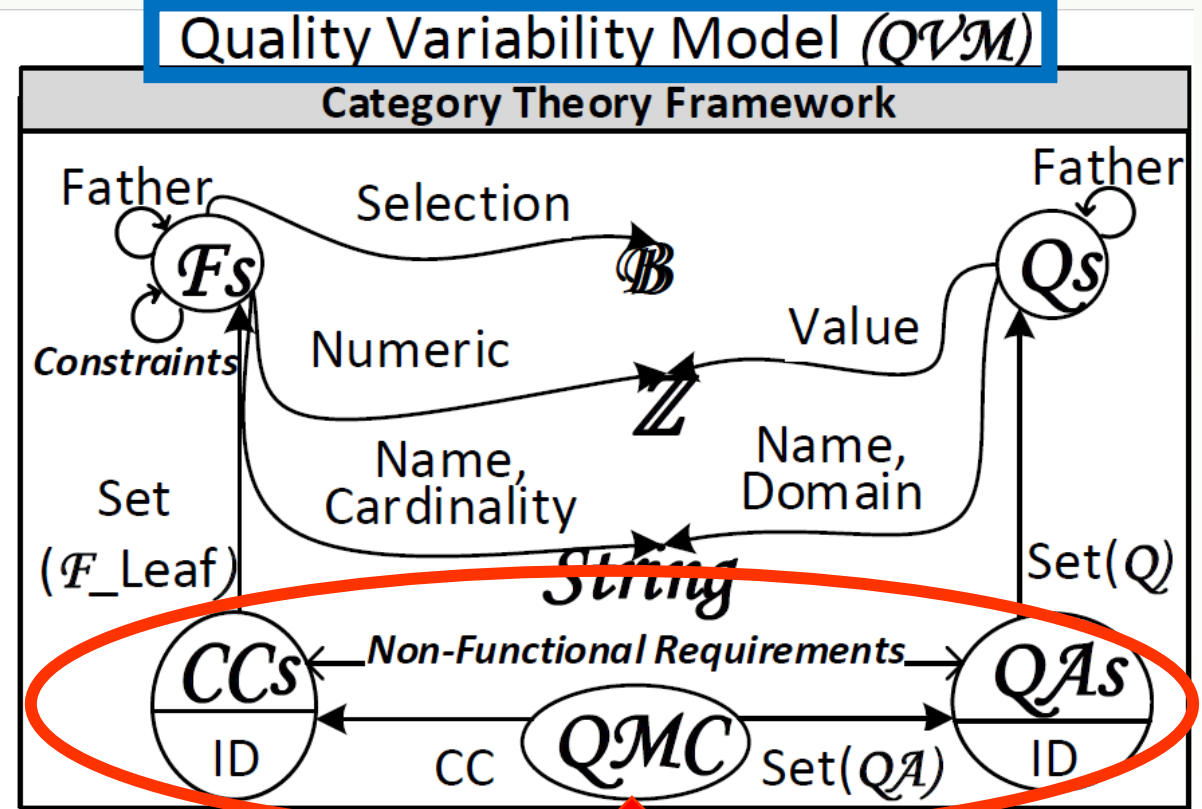
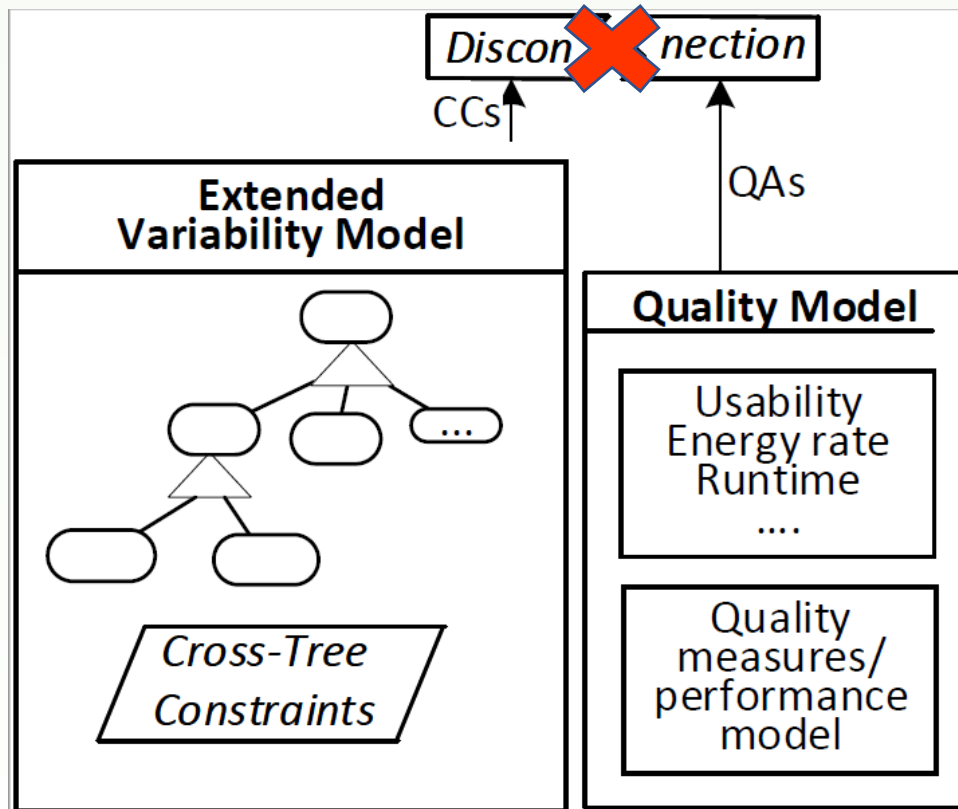
Algebraic theory of mathematical structures to capture and relate similar aspects of structures while abstracting from the individual specifics.

- **Category:** A set of Objects and Arrows in a labelled directed graph.
- **Objects:** A structured template  $X \in Ob(C)$ , graphically depicted as a node  $\bullet^X$ .
- **Arrows:** A structure-preserving function  $a \in Arr(C)$  with source and target objects and identity and composition properties depicted  $\bullet^X \rightarrow^a \bullet^Y$ .
- (Generalised) **Element:** Arrows to data domains.
  - E.g.,  $\bullet^{X_{e_1}} \rightarrow^{Name} String$
- **Functor:** A process  $F$  between categories depicted  $\bullet^{c_1} \rightarrow^F \bullet^{c_2}$ .
- **Instance:** Set-valued functor that assigns values to elements.
  - E.g.,  $\bullet^{X_{e_1}} \rightarrow^{Name} "Java"$ , and  $\bullet^{X_{e_2}} \rightarrow^{Value} True$



# RQ3 Approach Quality-Aware Unified Reasoning

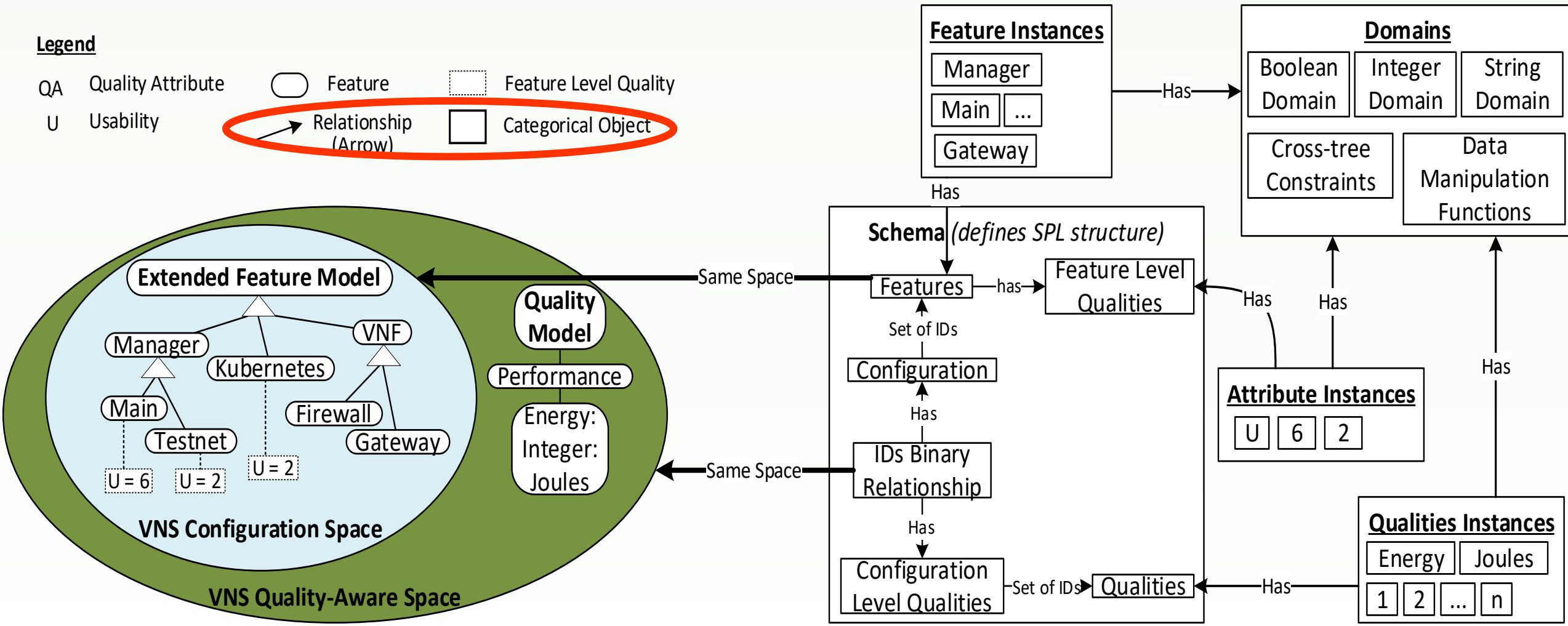
# RQ3: Contribution 1 – The Categorical QVM



# RQ3: Instantiating a QVM

## Legend

- QA Quality Attribute      ○ Feature      □ Feature Level Quality
- U Usability              → Relationship (Arrow)      □ Categorical Object





# RQ3: Modelling a CPS QVM in CQL IDE

```

schema MyVMCategory = literal : Ty {..1..2..3..4..5}
Instance CPSQVM = literal : QVMCategory {
# Equations defining the CPS extended NFM
# Equations for the 63 measured configurations of the CPS
# Equations defining QAs values and its metrics of CPS
# Equations connecting configurations to QA values}

```

**1** #Extended Numerical Variability Model Arrows

```

feature : VM -> String    # Feature Name
value : VM -> Integer     # Numerical Feature Value
domain : VM -> String     # Feature Domain (Boolean by default)
cardinality : VM -> String # Children cardinality ([x..y])
cost_USD : VM -> Integer  # Feature-wise Quality Attribute Cost

```

**2** # Quality Model Arrows

```

name : Qn -> String    # Quality Name
value : Qv -> Integer  # Quality Numerical Value
domain : Qd -> String  # Quality Domain

```

**4** # IDs for configuration relationship

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id : CCs -> Integer    #Identify each Complete Configuration

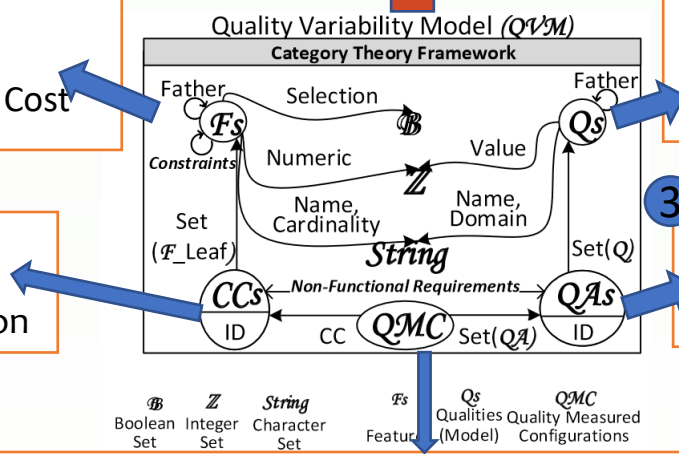
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**3** # IDs for QAs relationship

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id : QAs -> Integer    #Identify each set of Valued Qs

```



**5** # QMC SPAN (binary relation between CCs and sets of QAs)

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phi : QMC -> Integer # "Point" to a Complete Configuration
psi : QMC -> Integer # "Point" to a set of Valued Quality Attributes

```

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## Algorithm 1: Categorical Model Report

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```

Input: Populated  $\mathcal{F}s$ ,  $CCs$ ,  $QMC$ ,  $QAs$ 
(bool, num, logic, arithm, confs, measured[]) = [0, ..., 0];
bool = Add( $\lambda(x \in \mathcal{F}s \mid !x.num) : 1$ );
num = Add( $\lambda(x \in \mathcal{F}s \mid x.num) : 1$ );
logic = Add( $\lambda(x \in \mathcal{F}s.where \mid x.ops \notin [=, +, \dots, \%]) : 1$ );
arithm = Add( $\lambda(x \in \mathcal{F}s.where \mid x.ops \in [=, +, \dots, \%]) : 1$ );
confs = Add( $\lambda(CC.id) : 1$ );
measured[QA]=Add( $\lambda(CC.f.att \vee CC.id \in QMC) : 1$ );
(FQAs, CCQAs) = [' ', ' '];
FQAs = ConcatIfNew( $\lambda(x \in \mathcal{F}s.att) :$ 
  [ $x.name, x.val, x.dom, x.AggregationFunction$ ]);
CCQAs =
  ConcatIfNew( $\lambda(x \in QAs) : [x.name, x.val, x.dom]$ );
Result: bool, num, logic, arithm, confs, measured, FQAs, CCQAs

```

Optimal, as we only query the required objects

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## Algorithm 2: Categorical Aggregation of Attributes

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```

Input: Populated  $CCs$ 
AggregatedQAs = [[]];
forall  $cc \in CCs$  do
  Func = [];
  Func = Push( $\lambda(x \in cc.feature.att) : x.function$ );
  AggregatedQAs[ $cc.id$ ] = Push(
     $\lambda(x \in cc.feature.att, f \in Func \mid f = x.function) : f(x)$ );
end
Result: AggregatedQAs

```

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## Algorithm 3: Categorical Quality Optimisation

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```

Input: Populated  $QMC$ ,  $CCs$ , Objectives
 $eQMC = [QMC.cc, (QMC.qa \cup Aggregation(CCs))]$ ;
Result: ( $\lambda(x \in eQMC \mid Objectives(x.qas) :$ 
  [ $x.cc.features, x.qas]$ )

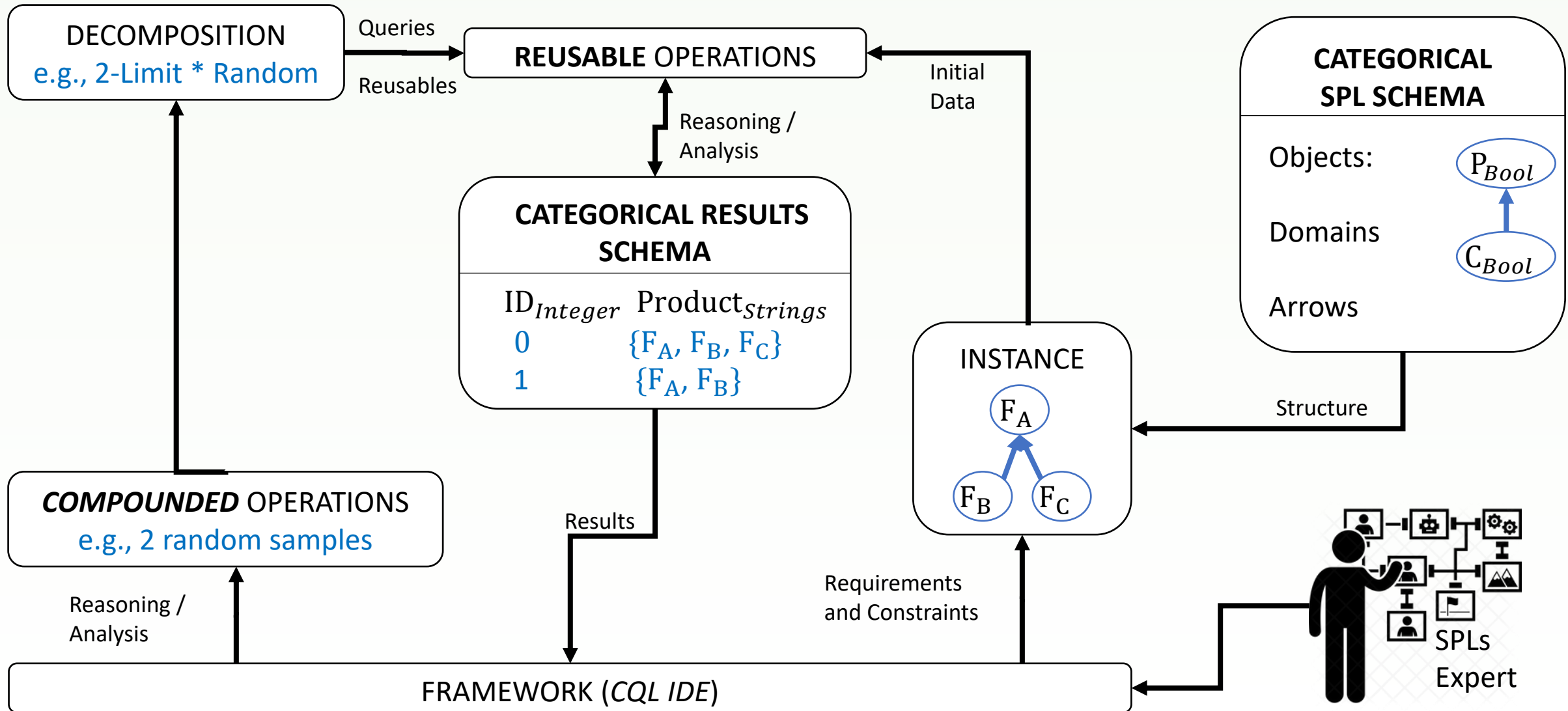
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Formal and algorithmic definition of the QVM Quality-Aware Operations

# RQ3: Usage of the QVM Framework - URS



# RQ3: CPS Filter Reasoning in CQL IDE

We implemented in CQL IDE the Quality-Aware Reasoning Operations

Energy=<18 & Runtime =<10  
(36 out of 63 configurations)

Summary  
 typeside Ty  
 schema PizzaCategory  
 instance PizzaData : Pi  
 schema RESSATISFY  
 query SATISFY : PizzaC  
 instance SATSolver : R  
 schema RESCOUNT  
 query COUNT : PizzaCa  
 instance COUNTSolve  
 schema RES  
 query FILTER : PizzaCa  
 instance FILTERSolve  
 query BOUND : PizzaC  
 instance BOUNDSolve  
 query RANDOM : Pizza  
 instance PizzaDataRan  
 instance RANDOMSolv  
 schema RESAGGREGAT  
 query AGGREGATE : Pi  
 instance AGGREGATES  
 query FILTERAGGREGA  
 instance FILTERAGGRE

Tables TyAlg Hom-sets DP Graph Text Expression

CONFS (36)

	cc_traces	QA FILTER Reasoning	gas
0	& Interface -->(XOR) VirtualNetworkFunctions -->(XOR) Monitor &...	& EnergyRate = 14 Watts & Runtime = 2 Seconds	
1	& Interface -->(XOR) VirtualNetworkFunctions -->(XOR) Monitor &...	& EnergyRate = 13 Watts & Runtime = 2 Seconds	
2	& Interface -->(XOR) VirtualNetworkFunctions -->(XOR) Monitor &...	& EnergyRate = 13 Watts & Runtime = 2 Seconds	
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...	& Interface -->(XOR) VirtualNetworkFunctions -->(XOR) Firewall & ..	& EnergyRate = 18 Watts & Runtime = 6 Seconds	
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36 IDs, 6 nulls, 0.658 seconds. Provenance:  Row limit:

# RQ3: Real-world QVMS Evaluated

SPL	Description	Features	Constraints	Configurations	Quality Attributes
<i>Pizza</i>	Italian vendor machine [28]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boolean: 12</li> <li>• Numerical: 1</li> </ul>	<i>Empty</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total SAT: 42</li> <li>• Measured: 84</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feature level:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Cost <math>\in (5,25)</math> \$: Function: Addition</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Configuration level:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(2) Time <math>\in (1,10^3)</math> seconds</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<i>Truck</i>	Truck factory [45]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boolean: 33</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Logic: 10</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total SAT: 234</li> <li>• Measured: 234</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feature level:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Size <math>\in [0,10)</math> metres<sup>2</sup>: Function: Product</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<i>JHipster</i>	Software generator [24]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boolean: 45</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Logic: 13</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total SAT: 26,256</li> <li>• Measured: 105,024</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feature level:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Usability <math>\in (0, 10)</math>: Function: Addition</li> <li>(2) Battery <math>\in (0, 20)</math>: Function: Addition</li> <li>(3) Footprint <math>\in (0, 10)</math>: Function: Addition</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Configuration level:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(4) Compileable <math>\in [\text{true}, \text{false}]</math></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
(1) <i>VNS</i> and (2) <i>FullVNS</i>	Virtual Network System	Figure 1 version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boolean: 18</li> <li>• Numerical: 1</li> </ul> Full version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boolean: 40</li> <li>• Numerical: 3</li> </ul>	Figure 1 version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Logic: 1</li> <li>• Arithmetic: 1</li> </ul> Full version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Logic: 63</li> <li>• Arithmetic: 4</li> </ul>	Figure 1 version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total SAT: 63</li> <li>• Measured: 315</li> </ul> Full version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total SAT: 2,130,000</li> <li>• Measured: 10,650,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feature level:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Dependency <math>\in [L, M, H]</math>: Function: Maximum</li> <li>(2) Usability <math>\in (1, 10)</math>: Function: Mean</li> <li>(3) Security <math>\in [L, M, H]</math>: Function: Minimum</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Configuration level:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(4) Time <math>\in (1,10^3)</math> seconds</li> <li>(5) Energy <math>\in (1,10^3)</math> joules</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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# RQ3: Results

Reasoner:	ClaferMoo				AAFM Python Framework				CQL IDE			
SPLs:	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>VNS Full</i>	<i>Truck</i>	<i>JHipster</i>	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>VNS Full</i>	<i>Truck</i>	<i>JHipster</i>	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>VNS Full</i>	<i>Truck</i>	<i>JHipster</i>
Features	0.2 s	0.2 2.7 s	0.2 s	0.3 s	0.02 s	0.02 0.39 s	0.03 s	0.05 s	0.04 s	0.05 0.55 s	0.06 s	0.07 s
Constraints	0.2 s	0.2 2.73 s	0.2 s	0.3 s	0.02 s	0.02 0.39 s	0.03 s	0.05 s	0.04 s	0.05 0.55 s	0.06 s	0.07 s
Configurations	*0.5 s	*1.05 213 s	*1.4 s	*2.7 s	*0.15 s	*0.2 60 s	*0.24 s	*5.03 s	0.17 s	0.19 156.4 s	0.22 s	1.98 s
QAs	*0.9 s	*1.7 4.3 s	*2.1 s	*2.9 s	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	0.06 s	0.11 3.4 s	0.14 s	0.19 s
Mean:	*0.45 s	*0.79 55.6 s	*0.98 s	*1.55 s	*0.06 s	*0.09 20.2 s	*0.1 s	*1.71 s	0.08 s	0.1 40.3 s	0.12 s	0.58 s

Reasoner:	ClaferMoo				SATIBEA				CQL IDE			
SPLs:	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>VNS Full</i>	<i>Truck</i>	<i>JHipster</i>	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>VNS Full</i>	<i>Truck</i>	<i>JHipster</i>	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>VNS Full</i>	<i>Truck</i>	<i>JHipster</i>
Unconstrained	0.95 s	*1.8 236 s	2.15 s	2.99 s	1.67 s	*1.79 2.33 s	*1.85 s	1.78 s	0.27 s	0.39 211 s	0.42 s	2.68 s
Constrained	0.97 s	*1.89 237 s	2.17 s	3.01 s	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	0.27 s	0.4 212 s	0.42 s	2.69 s
Range	0.95 s	*1.8 232 s	2.15 s	2.94 s	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	0.27 s	0.41 212 s	0.43 s	2.69 s
Mean:	0.957 s	*1.83 235 s	2.16 s	2.98 s	1.67 s	*1.79 2.33 s	*1.85 s	1.78 s	0.27 s	0.4 212 s	0.423 s	2.69 s

Reasoner:	ClaferMoo				SATIBEA				CQL IDE			
SPLs:	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>VNS Full</i>	<i>Truck</i>	<i>JHipster</i>	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>VNS Full</i>	<i>Truck</i>	<i>JHipster</i>	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>VNS Full</i>	<i>Truck</i>	<i>JHipster</i>
Min/Maximise	*0.98 s	*1.87 344 s	2.23 s	*4.36 s	*1.67 s	*1.79 2 s	1.85 s	*1.78 s	0.38 s	0.52 274 s	0.68 s	3.48 s
Multiobjective	*1.02 s	*1.97 355 s	2.38 s	*4.5 s	*1.85 s	*2.01 2,1 s	2.03 s	*1.95 s	0.42 s	0.67 312 s	0.78 s	3.95 s
Weighted	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	0.42 s	0.68 317 s	0.82 s	4.02 s
New Domain	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	0.41 s	0.63 274 s	0.73 s	3.47 s
Mean:	*1 s	*1.92 349 s	2.31 s	*4.43 s	*1.76 s	*1.9 2,05 s	1.94 s	*1.87 s	0.41 s	0.63 294 s	0.75 s	3.73 s

# RQ3: Answers

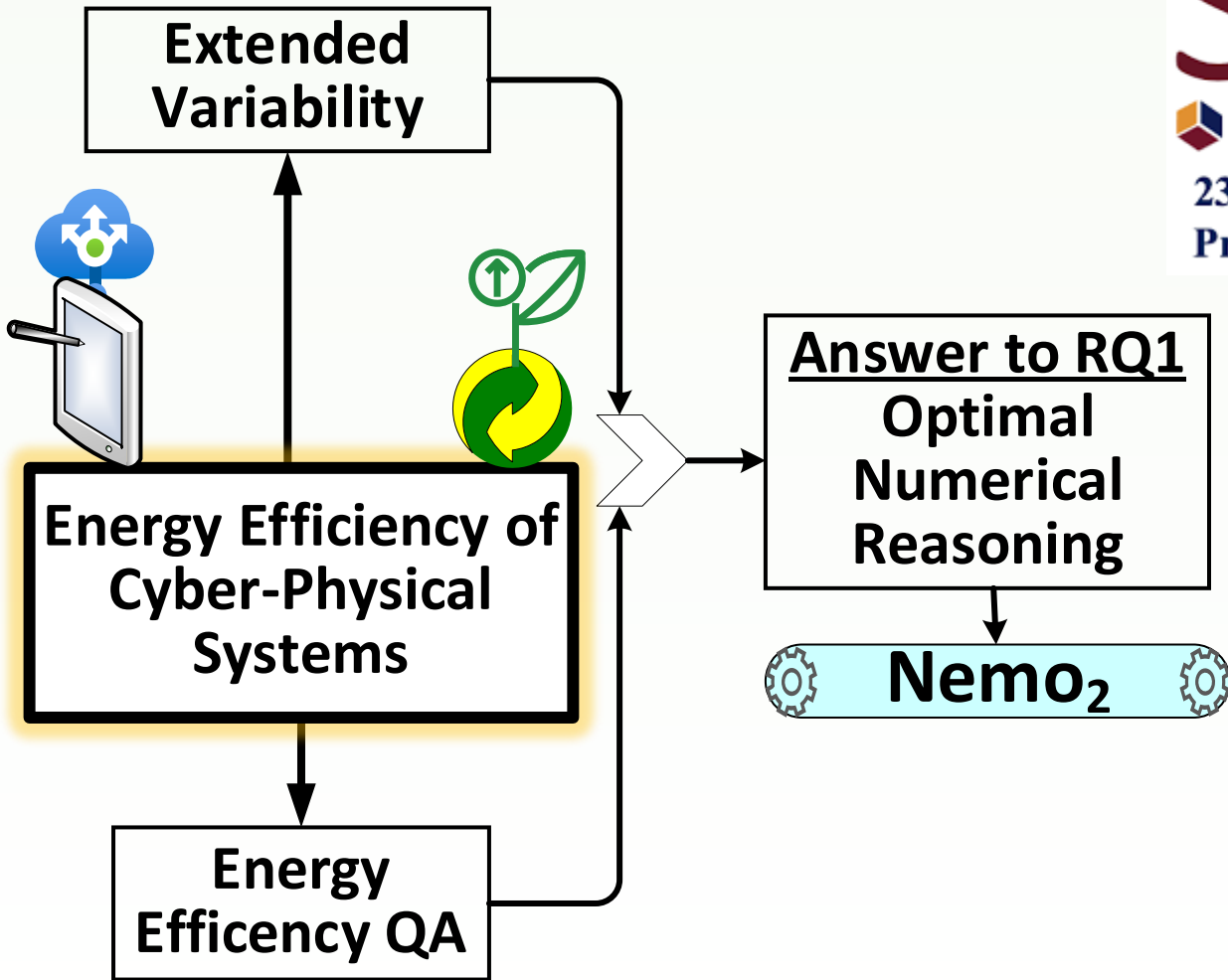
- $QVM$  is a category that formally integrates into a unifying model the variability and quality information, **natively** supporting any feature, QA, and constraints among them.
- The  $QVM$  framework defines QAs lambda operations for quality-aware reasoning supported by the categorical solver CQL IDE.
- The evaluation reached a total of 11 different operations, and on average, this framework was the fastest in 5 different real-world SPLs compared to popular reasoners.

# Thesis Publications, Awards, Research Stays and Projects

- A total of 18 Publications:
  - 4 JCR Indexed Journals, divided in **two Deciles 1**, and **two Quartiles 2**.
  - 5 GGS Indexed Conferences, divided in **four GGS 2** and **one GGS 3**.
  - 1 **HADAS Tool Demonstration** paper and **poster** in a **GGG 2** Conference.
  - **2 Workshop** papers in a **GGG 2** Conferences.
  - **1 Doctoral Symposium** paper in a **GGG 2** Conference.
  - **1** International **IEEE** Conference.
  - 4 National Conferences.
- A total of 3 Awards:
  - **Best Student Paper** Award in the International Conference ES2DE 2017.
  - **Top 2 Excellence Young Scientist 2018** award of Sevilla and Málaga by the Fundación IMFAHE.
  - **Top 22 thesis in progress** of Universidad de Málaga in **2022**.
- 3 Competitive International Research Stays.
  - **3 Months** at the University of Texas in Austin, **USA**. Supervised by **Prof. Don Batory (Mención)**.
  - **4 Months** at the University of Bristol, **UK**. Supervised by **Prof. Kerstin Eder**.
  - **6 Months** at the KTH, **Sweden**. Supervised by **Prof. Dilian Gurov**
- 8 Research Projects, being 1 International H2020 funded and acting as **Task Leader**:
  - Codenames: HADAS, MAGIC, TASOVA, **DAEMON**, MEDEA, LEIA, RHEA, and IRIS.



# Highlighted Thesis Publication 1:



Title: Uniform Random Sampling Product Configurations of Feature Models That Have Numerical Features

Authors: Daniel-Jesus Munoz, Jeho Oh, Mónica Pinto, Lidia Fuentes, Don Batory

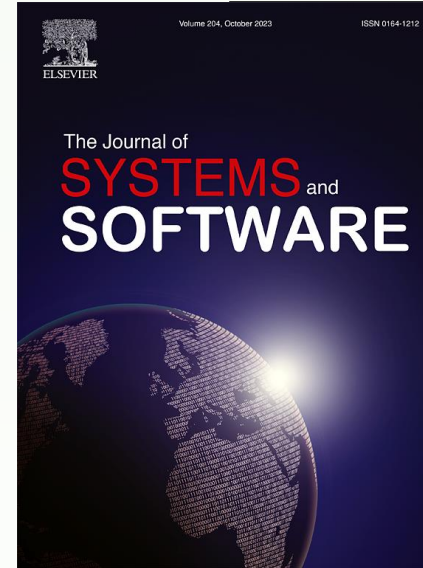
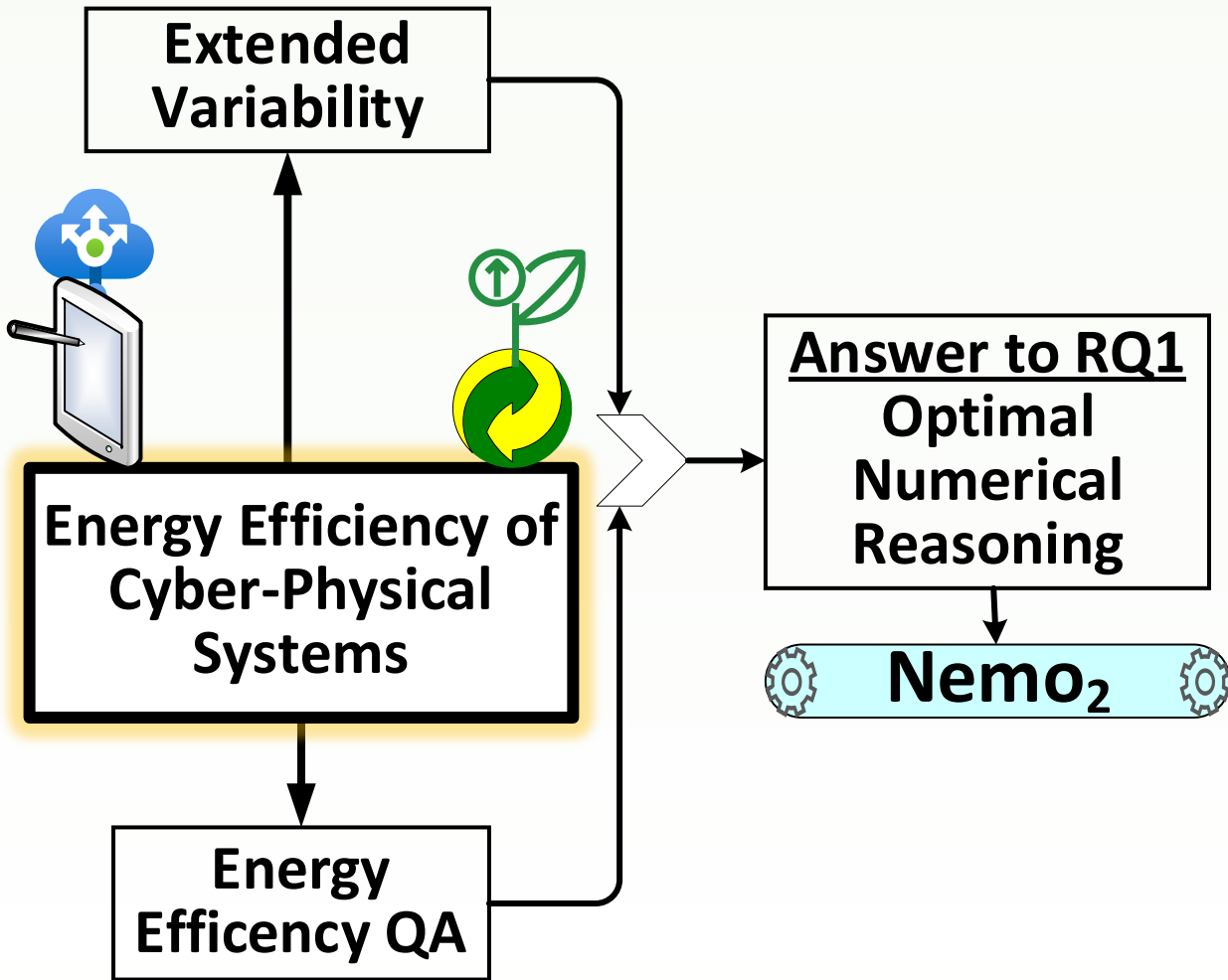
Conference: 23<sup>th</sup> ACM International Systems and Software Product Line Conference (SPLC 2019)

GGs Class: 2

Publication Date: September 2019

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1145/3336294.3336297>

# Highlighted Thesis Publication 2:



Title: Transforming Numerical Feature Models into Propositional Formulas and the Universal Variability Language

Authors: Daniel-Jesus Munoz, Mónica Pinto, Lidia Fuentes, Don Batory

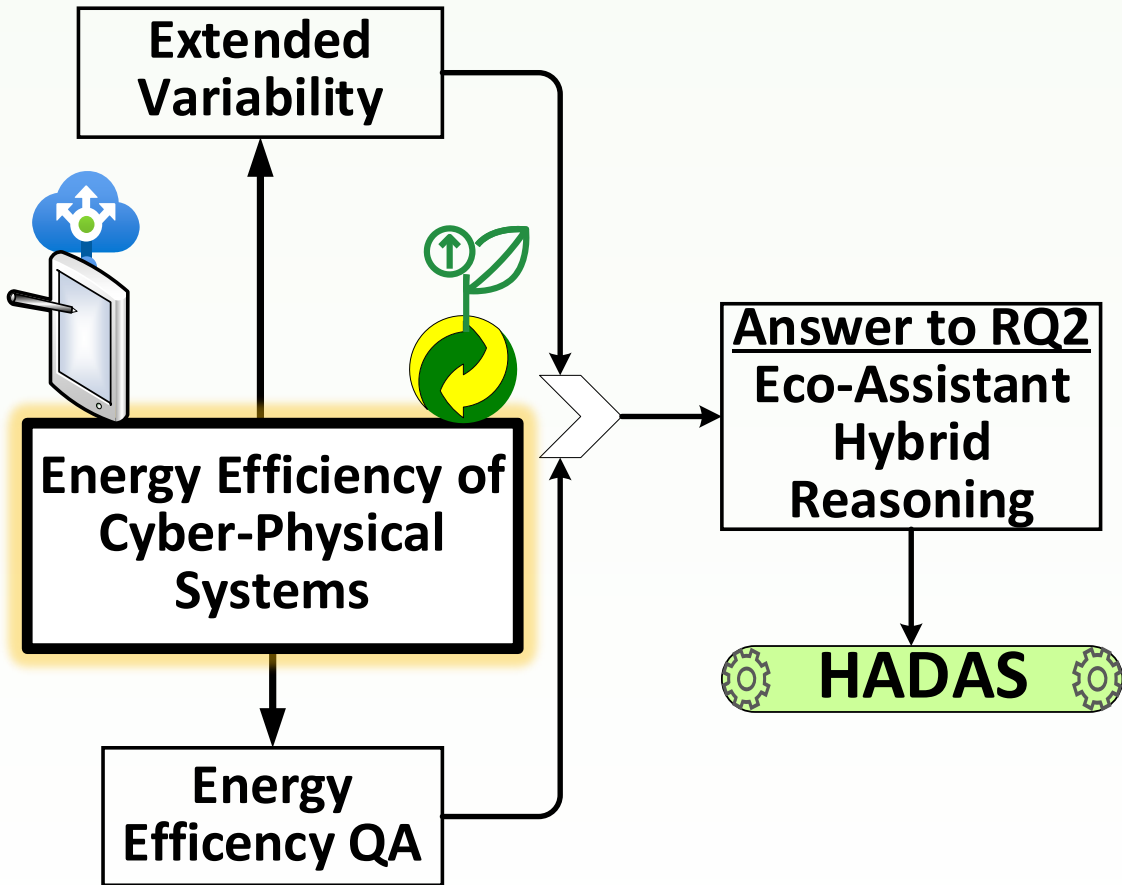
Journal: **Journal of Systems and Software (JSS)**

JCR Impact Factor: **3.514 (Q2)**

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# Highlighted Thesis Publication 3:



Title: Finding Correlations of Features Affecting Energy Consumption and Performance of Web Servers Using the HADAS Eco-Assistant

Authors: Daniel-Jesus Munoz, Mónica Pinto, Lidia Fuentes

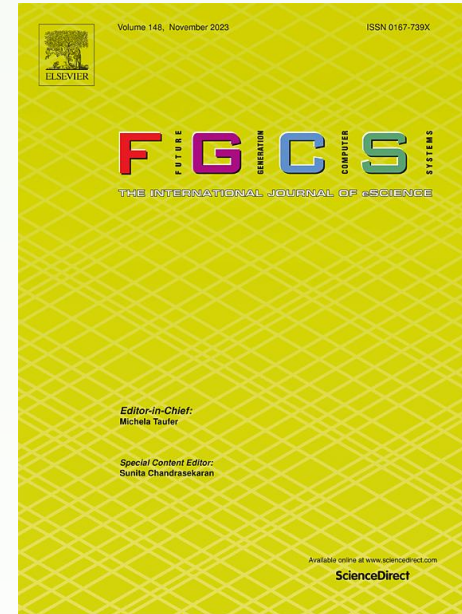
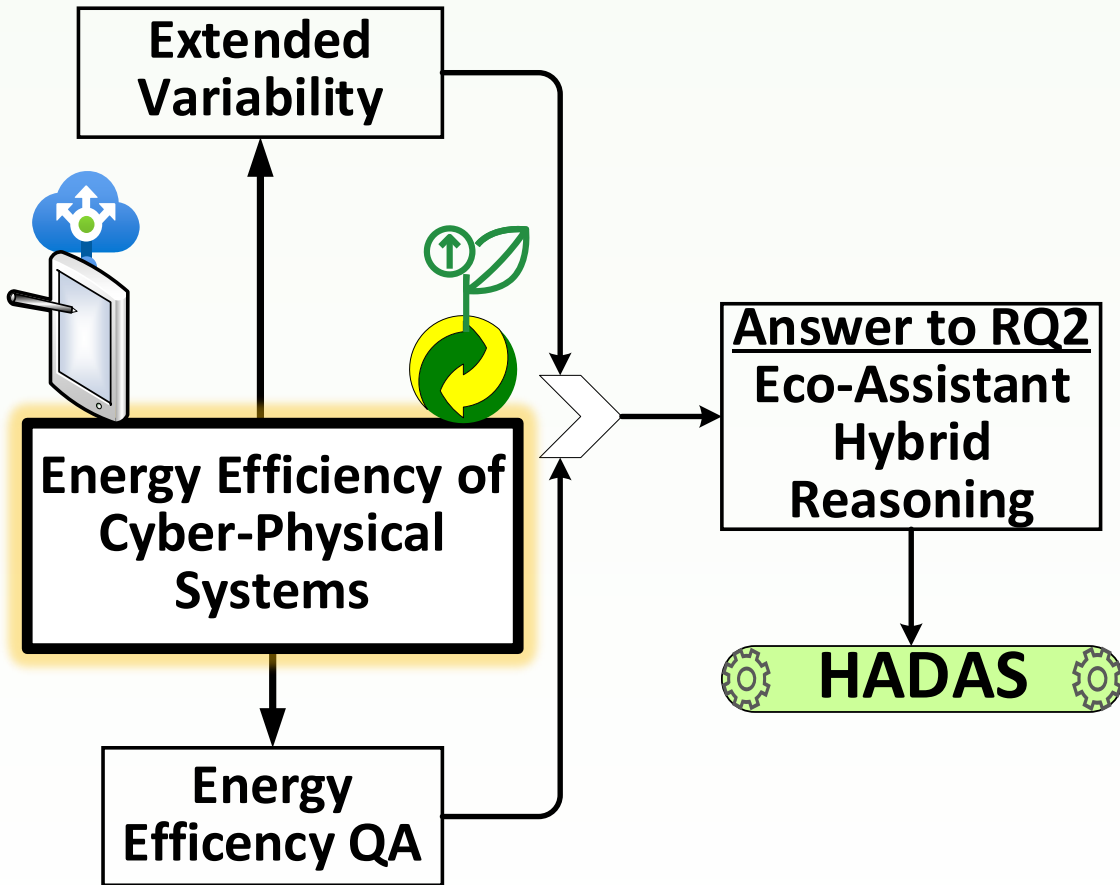
Journal: **Computing**

JCR Impact Factor: **2.063 (Q2)**

Publication Date: June 2018

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00607-018-0632-7>

# Highlighted Thesis Publication 4:



Title: Energy-Aware Environments for the Development of Green Applications for Cyber-Physical Systems

Authors: Daniel-Jesus Munoz, José A. Montenegro, Mónica Pinto, Lidia Fuentes

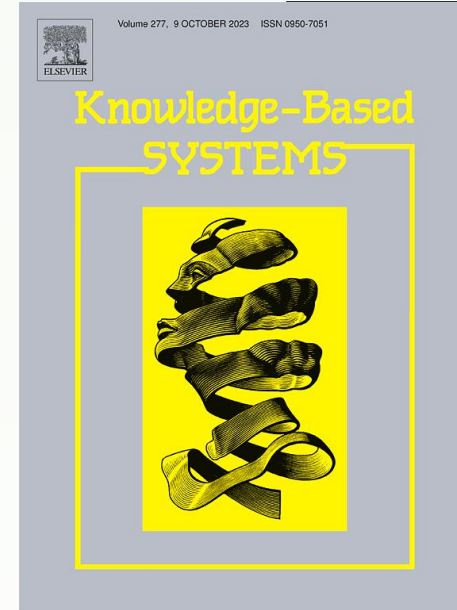
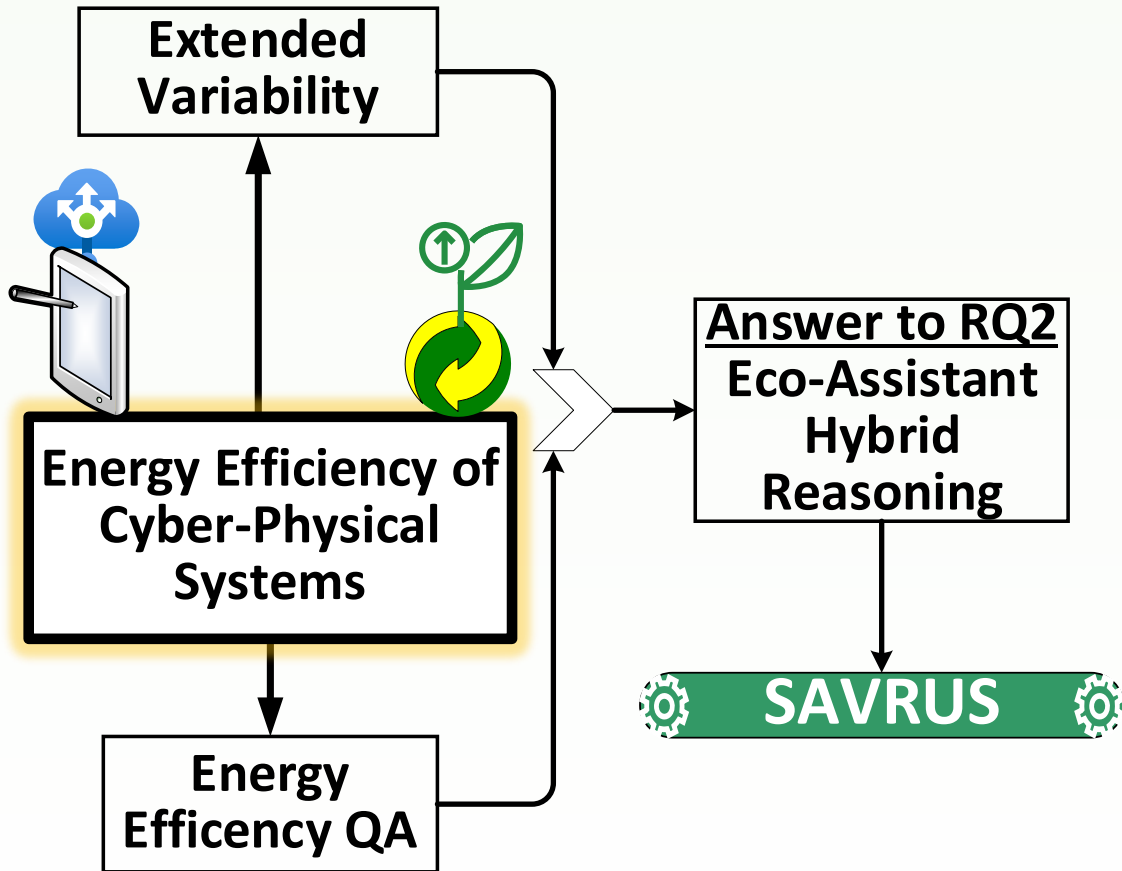
Journal: **Future Generation Computing Systems**

JCR Impact Factor: **6.125 (Q1)**

Publication Date: September 2018

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.future.2018.09.006>

# Highlighted Thesis Publication 5:



Title: Detecting Feature Influences to Quality Attributes in Large and Partially Measured Spaces Using Smart Sampling and Dynamic Learning

Authors: Daniel-Jesus Munoz, Mónica Pinto, Lidia Fuentes

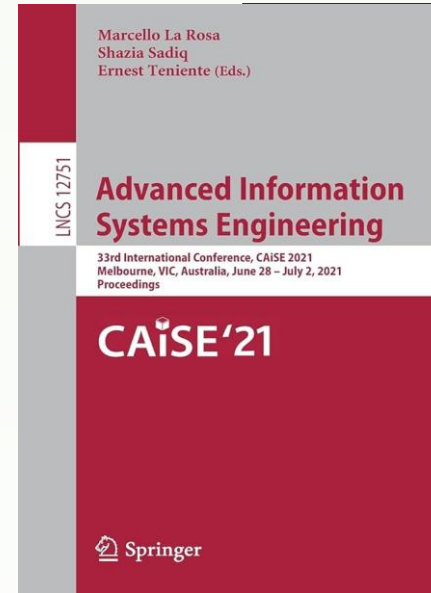
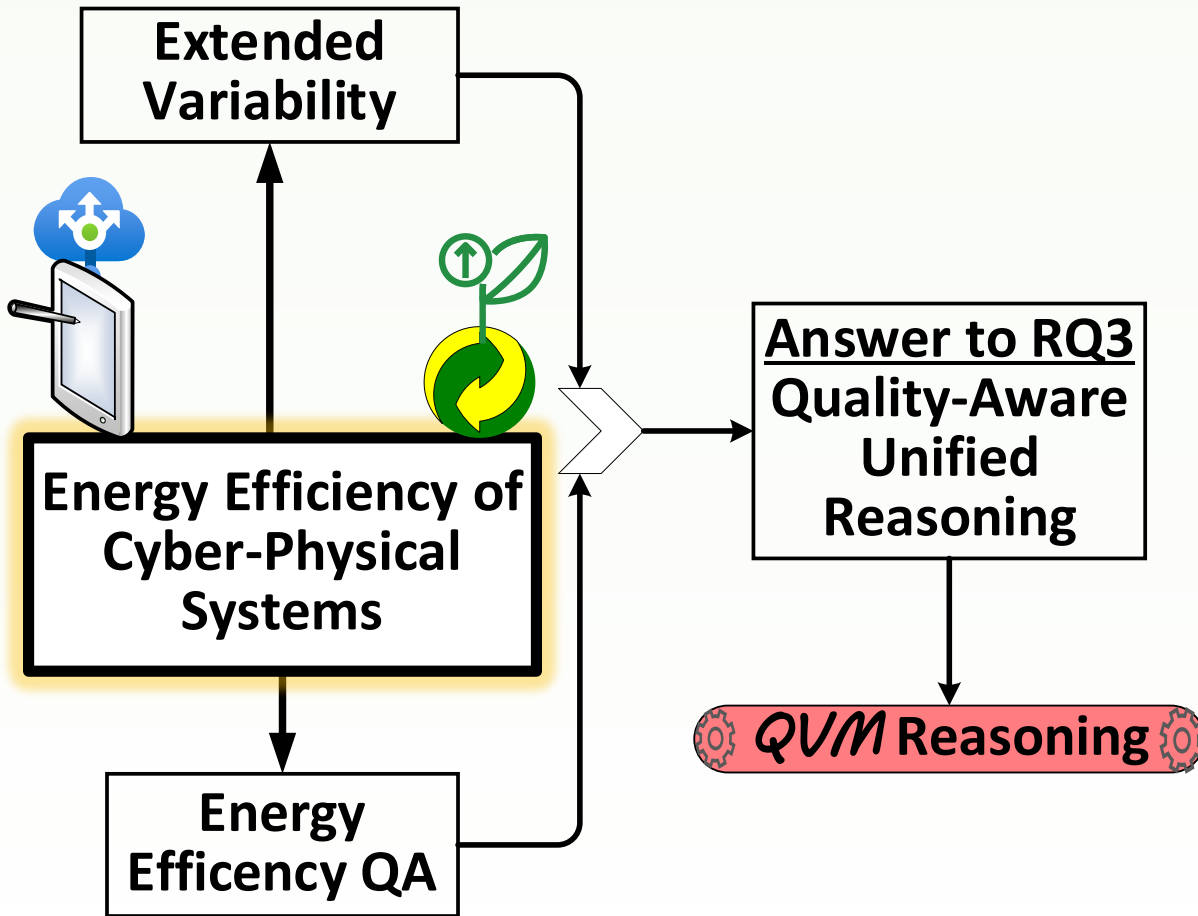
Journal: **Knowledge-Based Systems**

JCR Impact Factor: **8.139 (Q1)**

Publication Date: April 2023

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.knsys.2023.110558>

# Highlighted Thesis Publication 6:



Title: Category Theory Framework for Variability Models with Non-functional Requirements

Authors: Daniel-Jesus Munoz, Dilian Gurov, Mónica Pinto, Lidia Fuentes

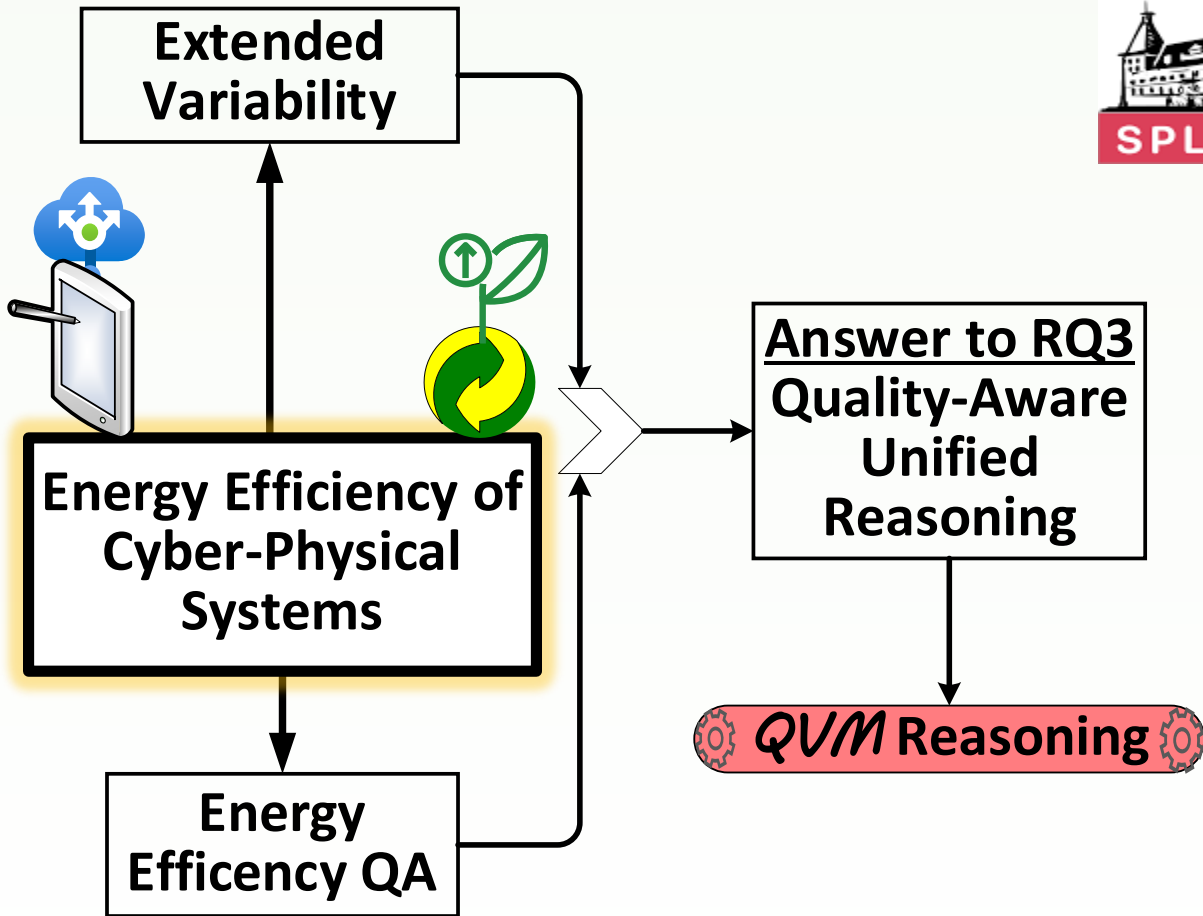
Conference: **33rd International Conference on Advanced Information Systems Engineering (CAiSE 2021)**

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Publication Date: June 2021

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# Highlighted Thesis Publication 7:



Title: Quality-aware Analysis and Optimisation of Virtual Network Functions

Authors: Daniel-Jesus Munoz, Mónica Pinto, Lidia Fuentes

Conference: **26th ACM International Systems and Software Product Line Conference (SPLC 2022)**

GGs Class: 2

Publication Date: September 2022

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1145/3546932.3547007>

# Conclusions:

1. We can **encode NFs and arithmetic constraints** into bitvectors and PFs to perform efficient optimal configuration search with a minimum performance degradation (e.g., seconds).
2. We can connect the variability with **databases of energy consumption** information with index-based processes. This creates the measured space.
3. If the measured space is colossal, incomplete, and biased, we can follow a **modular sequence** with competitive runtime, coverage and accuracy: solver based sampling, lazy learning, statistical tests, transfer learning and weighted sorting.
4. Category theory can unify the extended NFM and QM as a category, as well as define quality-aware operations for categorical solvers like CQL IDE.



## Future Work:

- Integrate machine and transfer learning techniques into our QVM framework.
- Improve some *SAVRUS* modules:
  - Learning by self-trained Neural Networks.
  - *k*NN by Approximate Nearest Neighbours.
- Replace the relational database by alternatives like non-relational.
- Test other algebras techniques taken from Geometry and Topology.
- Test other algebraic tools like Coq and Agda.
- Formalise calculus for Quality-Aware reasoning like Newton to count.
- Represent and solve variability and quality as systems of equations.
- Migrate our tools and techniques to other areas like distributed systems.

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