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Applied and Scalable Optimization of
Long-term and Network-aware Service Compositions

(ネットワークを考慮した長期間に渡るサービス合成におけるスケーラブルな最適化の適用)

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1. PRELIMINARIES

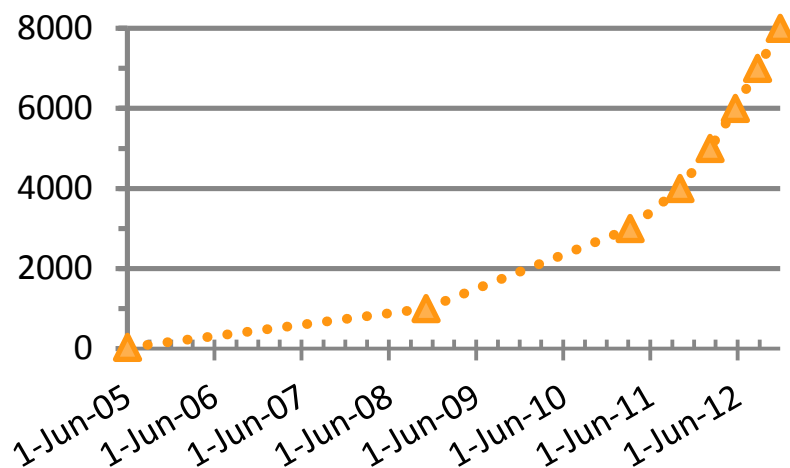
General **Overview** -> **Definition** of the **QSC** Research Problem

Services?

1. A **service** is a **software component** that encapsulates business logic and is accessible over the **network**. 

2. **Atomic** services can be **composed** to achieve complex functionality.

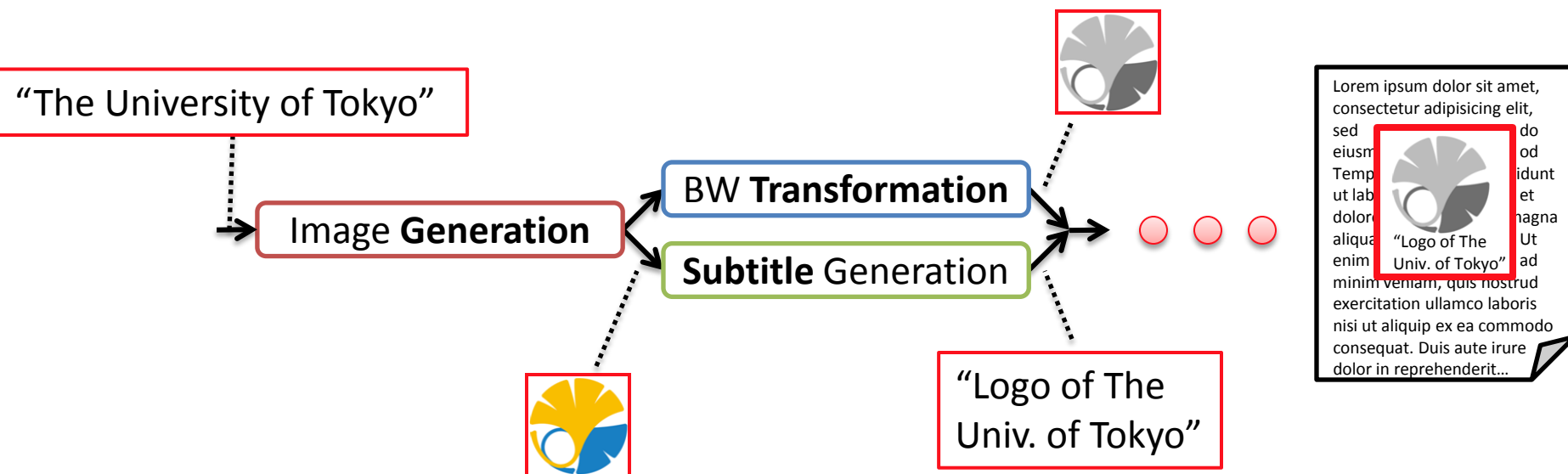
3. The **number** of available services keeps **increasing**.



Number of Service APIs

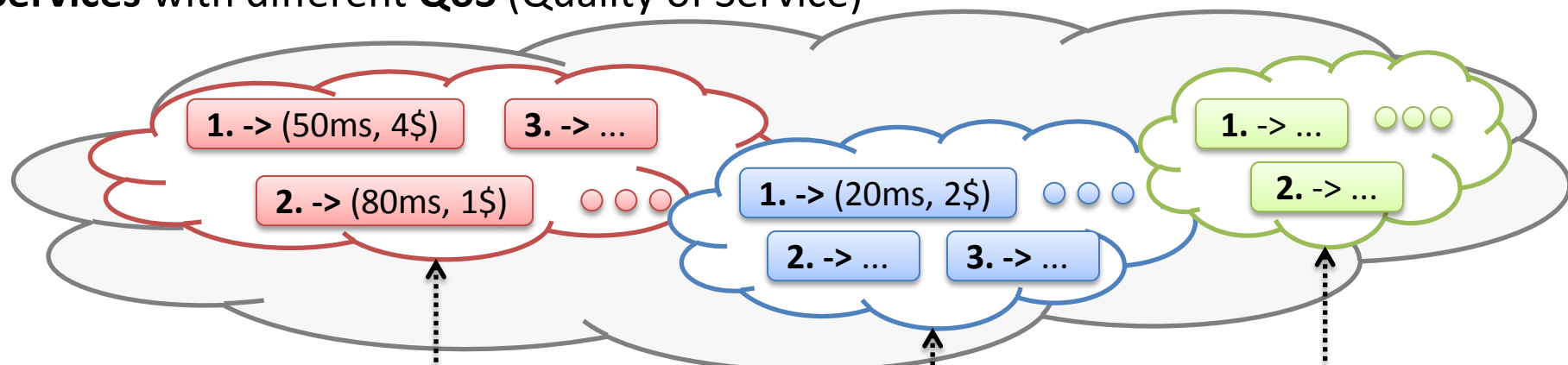
@ www.programmableweb.com

Example of a Service Composition

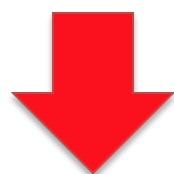
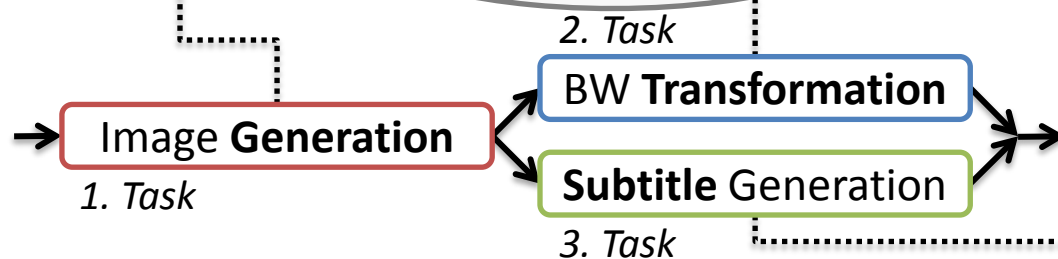


QoS-aware Service Composition (QSC) Problem

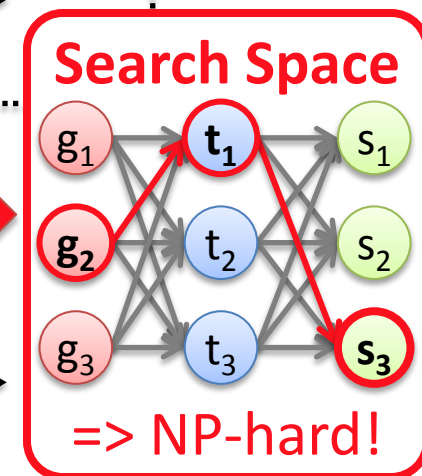
A) Services with different QoS (Quality of Service)



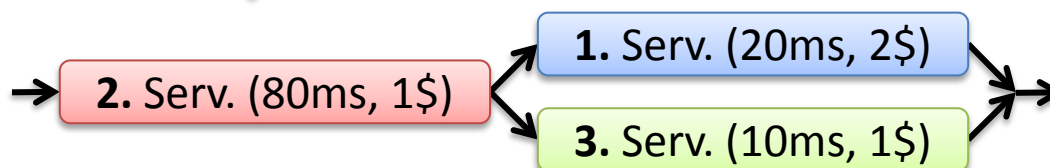
B) Workflow Template



QoS Optimizaton ↔



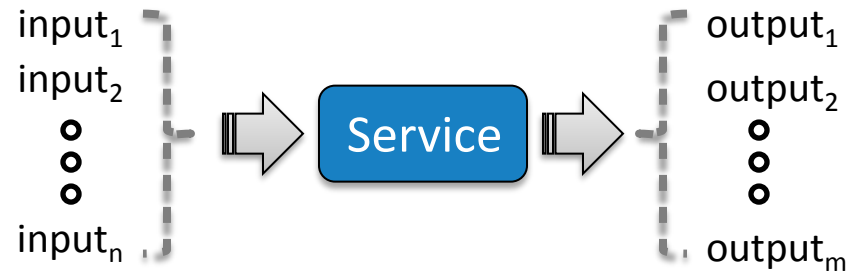
C) Service Selection



-> DEFINITION

Service

Form:



Definition of the W3C

- Stateless software component
- Public interface
- Invoked over the network

“A Web service is a software system designed to support interoperable machine-to machine interaction over a **network**. It has an **interface** described in a machine-processable format[...]. Other systems interact with the Web service in a manner prescribed by its description using [...] **messages**, typically conveyed using HTTP[...].” - **W3C**

Example Service Descriptions



| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Inputs: | int x |
| Outputs: | list of ints $\{d_1, \dots, d_n\}$ |
| Precondition: | $x < 10^{10}$ |
| Postcondition: | $x = \prod d_i$ <i>with all d_i prime</i> |

Functional Description

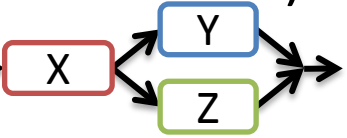


| | |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Price: | 1\$ |
| Response time: | ≤ 100 ms |
| Reliability: | 99.5% |

Non-Functional Description
 \approx **Quality of Service (QoS)**

QSC Problem [ZBD+03]

Inputs (from the service user 😊)

- QoS preferences (=weights) \dashrightarrow $util(q, wf, sel) := \sum_i w_i Q_i$ (simplified)
- QoS requirements (=constraints)
- Workflow template \rightarrow 



Other Formalizations

- Linear Integer Programming Prob.
 - Knapsack Problem
 - Graph Problem
 - Scheduling Problem
- \Rightarrow **Sufficient** to some degree, **NP-hard**

QSC Problem.

given $(wf, (w_T, w_P, w_R), (c_T, c_P, c_R)) \in WF \times \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3$
 optimize $sel \in SEL$
 such that $util(q, wf, sel) = \max_x util(q, wf, x)$
 and $q(wf, sel)(T) \leq c_T$
 and $q(wf, sel)(P) \leq c_P$
 and $q(wf, sel)(R) \geq c_R$

\Rightarrow Search Space := $\#S^{\#WF}$

$\#S$:= Services per Task

$\#WF$:= Size of Workflow

2. INTRODUCTION

Issues of QSC Research -> PhD **Proposal**

Top-level **Issues**

I. **Applicability:**

Gap of **Model vs. Reality**
(mostly unchanged since [ZBD+03])



1. **Extend** the QSC problem
2. Propose **effective** algorithms
=> *better QoS* [for users]

II. **Scalability:**

Fast Near-Optimality
(tackled since [YZL07])



3. Propose **efficient** algorithms
=> *better QoS in time* or
=> *same QoS faster* [for users]

Proposal

Observations

A) Workflow templates are often used **more than once**.

B) Services are often run by different users over the **network**.

Challenges of *standard* QSC

➔ ① Static service selection (-> **I. App.**)
(deterministic + time-**independent**)

➔ ② Network-**independent** QoS (-> **I. App.**)

➔ ③ Network-**unaware** Optimization (-> **II. Scal.**)



QSC Extensions:

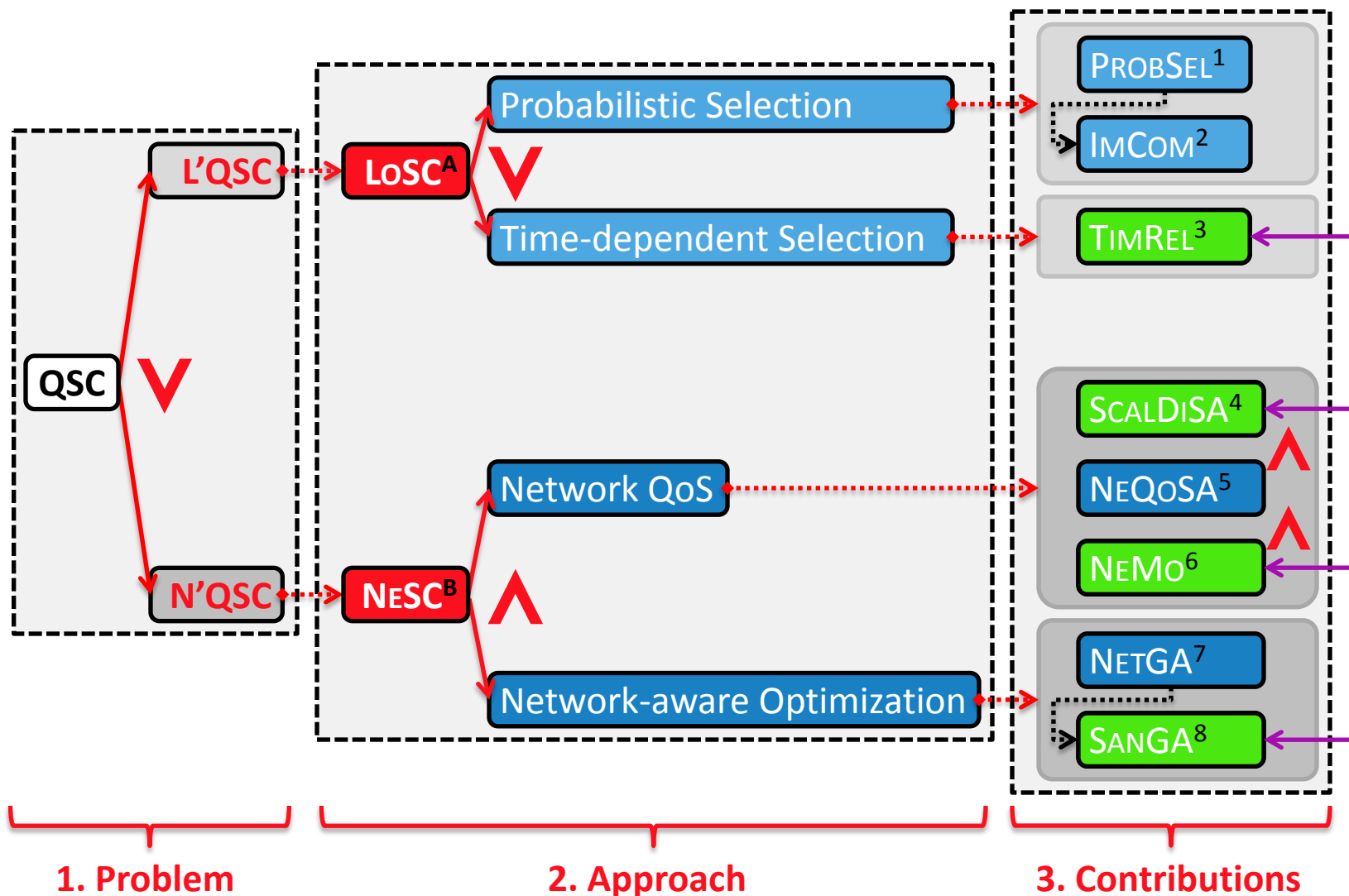
A) **Long-term SC** (**L'QSC / LoSC** ⇒ ①)

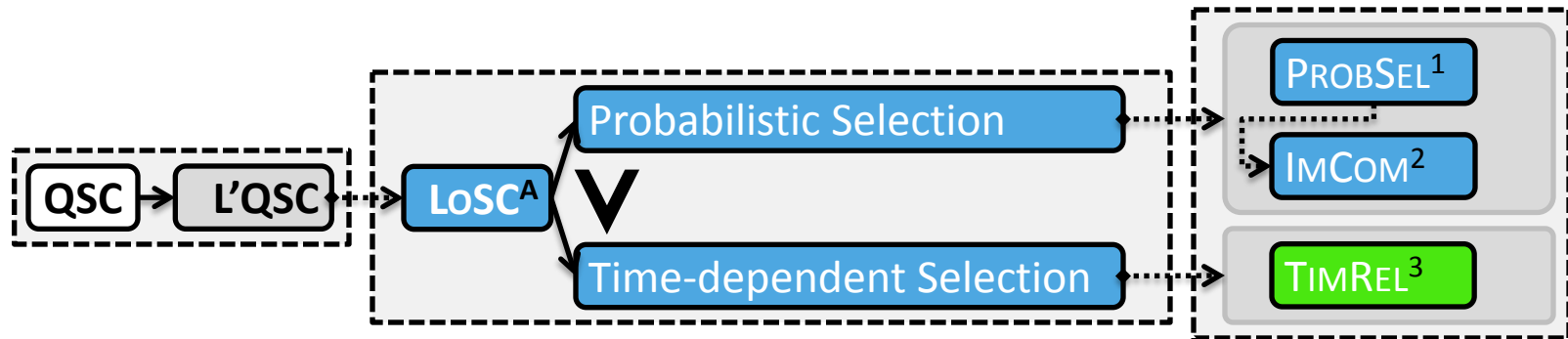
B) **Network-aware SC** (**N'QSC / NESC** ⇒ ②+③)

⇒ **Extend** QSC problem to **L'QSC+N'QSC** problems

⇒ Propose **effective** and **efficient LoSC+NESC** approaches

Approach: Focus





3-A) LONG-TERM SERVICE COMPOSITIONS

Overview -> Individual **Contributions**

=> Challenge ①
(static service selection)

Overview

Approach

1. Probabilistic Selection

through Linear Programming

2. Time-dependent Selection

through a Custom Genetic Algorithm

Benefits



- Better QoS w/ constraints
- Optimality+Scalability



- Better QoS (+high reliability)
- Scalability (for a harder problem)

Related Work

- A broker provides a **long-term “virtual” service** with a fixed number of QoS variations (solved with IP), Cardellini et al. [CCGP07] (*recently: [CDVG+11]*)
=> **no user perspective** + IP does **not scale** vs. our appr. (evaluated in 1.)
- **Long-term deployment** by a service provider (solved with MOO-GA), Wada et al. [WSO09] (*recently: [WSYO12]*)
=> **no user perspective** + MOO-GA **less scalable** than our SOO-GA
- **Long-term run-time replacement** of services (solved w/ Markov decision process), Na et al. [NZG+11]
=> applied **after** QoS problem at run-time + **shorter “long-term”** (run-time perspective)

PROBSEL¹: Long-term QoS with Probabilistic Service Selection

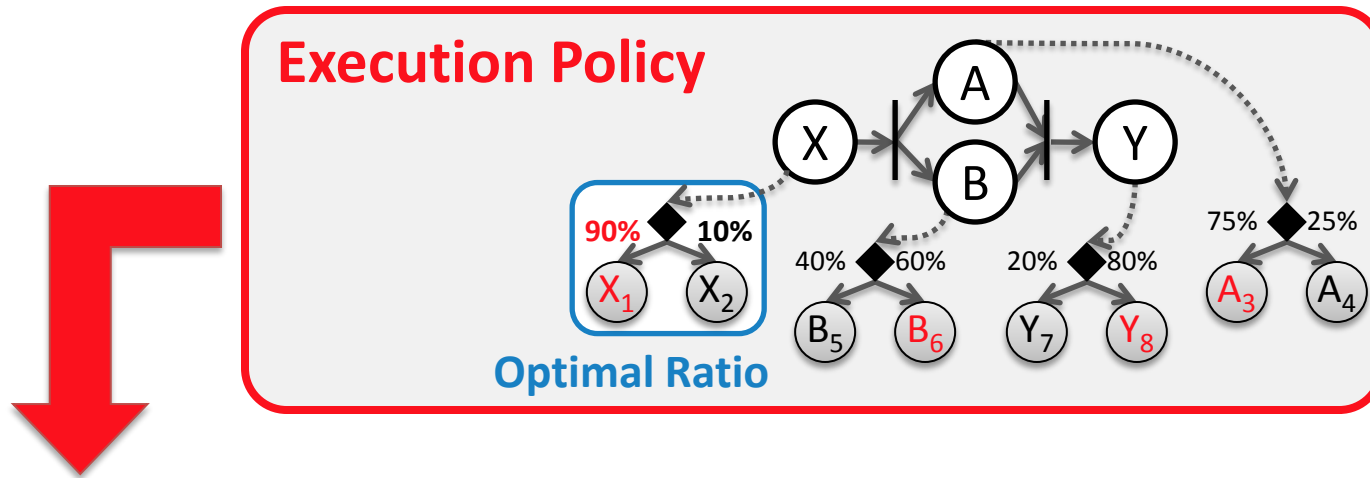
↳ [KIH10a]

Solve partial **L'QSC** (no time-dependencies) through **Linear Programming**

=> **Better QoS** + **Scalability**

=> Address part of **Challenge ①** (static service selection)

Probabilistic Service Selection



Executions

- $X_1 + A_3 + B_5 + Y_8$
- $X_1 + A_4 + B_6 + Y_7$
- $X_1 + A_3 + B_6 + Y_8$
- $X_2 + A_3 + B_5 + Y_8$
- $X_1 + A_3 + B_6 + Y_8$
- $X_1 + A_3 + B_5 + Y_7$

X_1 : 100%, X_2 : 0%
 A_3 : 50%, A_4 : 50%
 B_5 : 50%, B_6 : 50%
 Y_7 : 50%, Y_8 : 50%

X_1 : 83%, X_2 : 17%
 A_3 : 67%, A_4 : 33%
 B_5 : 50%, B_6 : 50%
 Y_7 : 33%, Y_8 : 68%

IMCOM²: Improved Time Complexity for the QSC Problem

↳ [KIH11]

Custom Hill Climbing algorithm (HC^*/\sqrt{SF}) with $PROBSEL^1$ as initial bias

=> Observed time complexity vs. HC:

(...linear in problem size = #S * #WF = SF²)

$O(SF^4)$ -> $O(SF^{1.5})$

(SF := #S := #WF)

Side Result!

TIMREL³: Time-dependent QoS for ↳ [KWIH12] Long-term Compositions

Solve complete **L'QSC** with a **Custom Genetic Algorithm**

+ a **variable number** of **time-dependent services** (doubling as **backup services**)

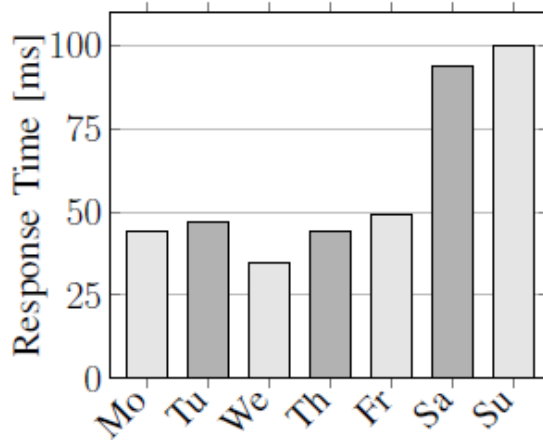
=> **Better QoS** (incl. high **reliability**) + **Scalability**

=> Address **Challenge ①** (static service selection)

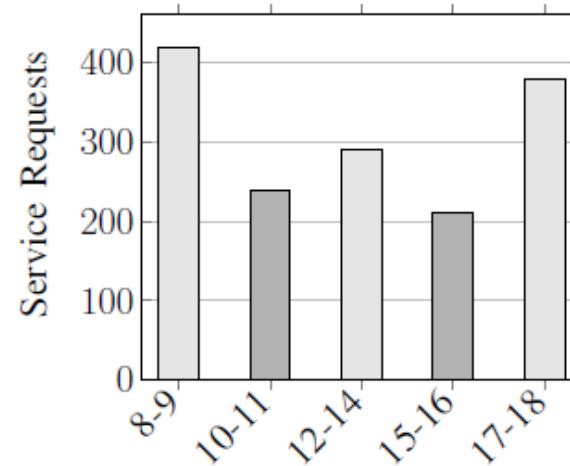
↳ Cooperation with **Florian Wagner**

Time-dependent Service Selection

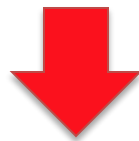
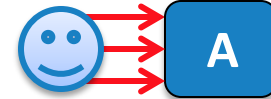
Probabilistic Patterns (QoS + Use)



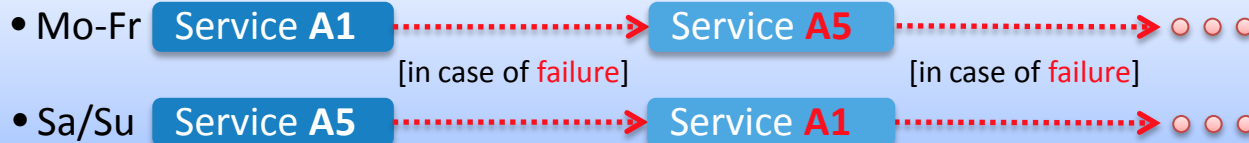
(a) Qos Pattern



(b) Usage Pattern



Time-dependent Execution Policies



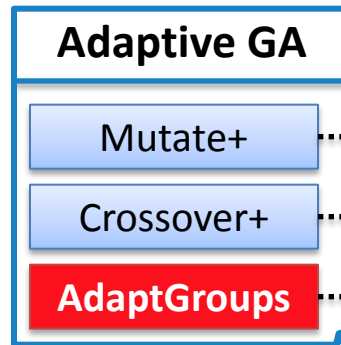
=> Search Space: $\#S^{\#WF} \rightarrow (\#S^{\#WF})^{\#TD}$

$\#S$:= Services per Task

$\#TD$:= Nr. of Time Discretizations

$\#WF$:= Size of Workflow

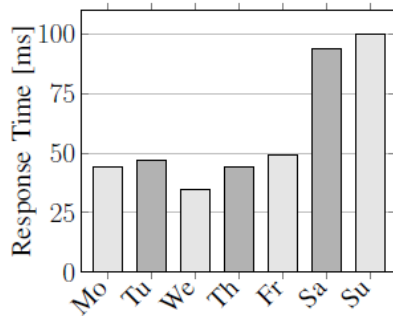
Custom Genetic Algorithm



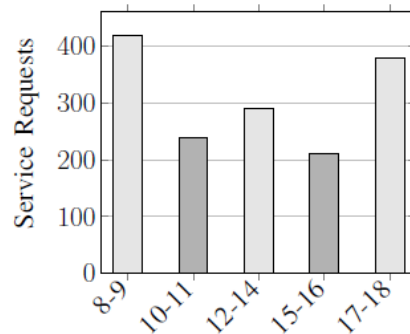
Probabilistic QoS Model



Probabilistic Patterns (QoS + Use)

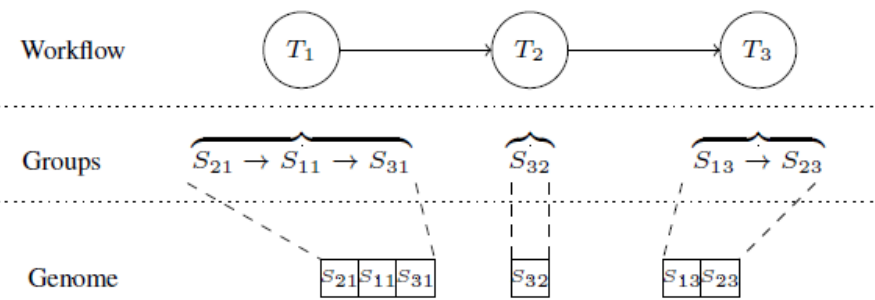


(a) Qos Pattern

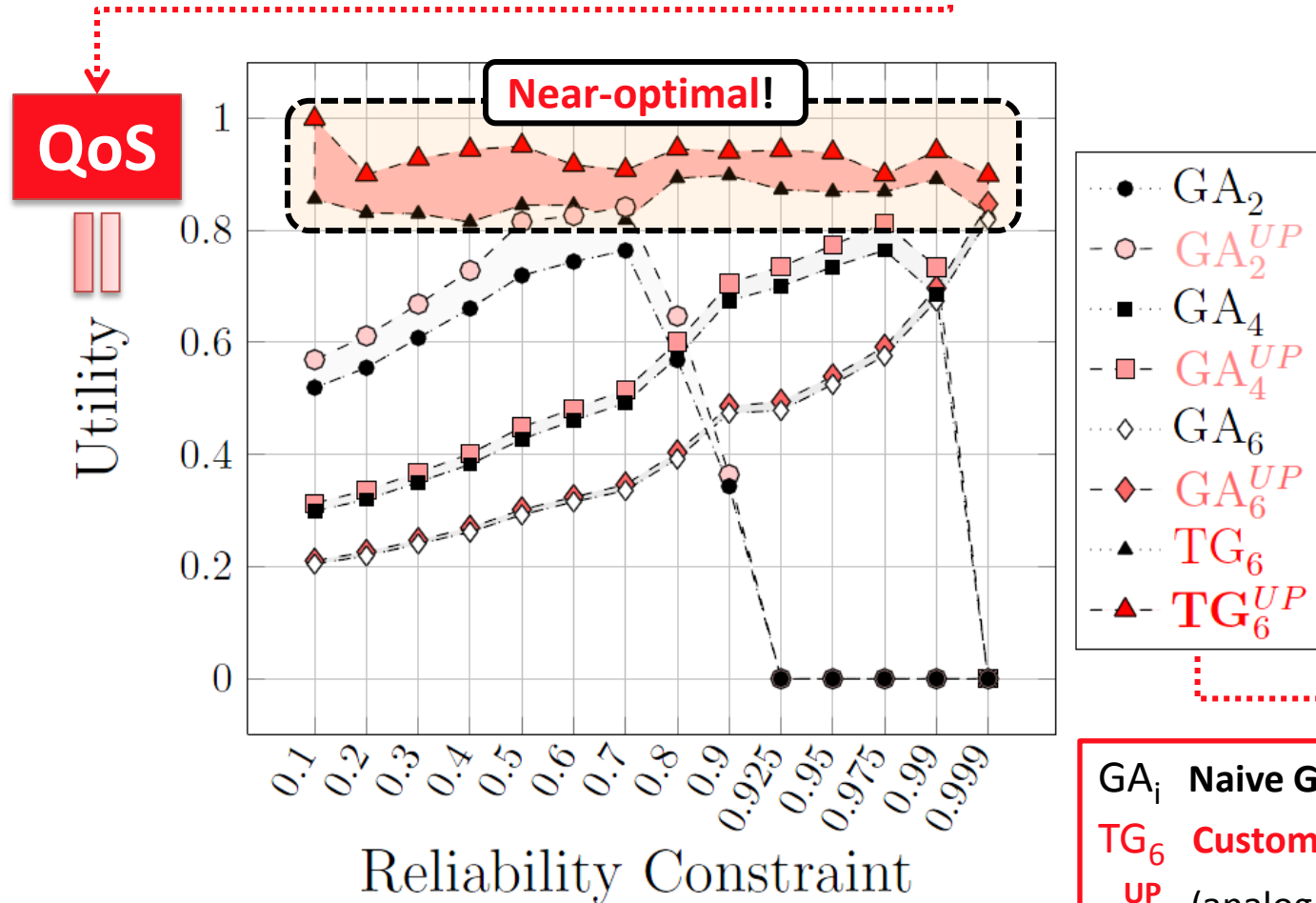


(b) Usage Pattern

Encoding with **variable length**



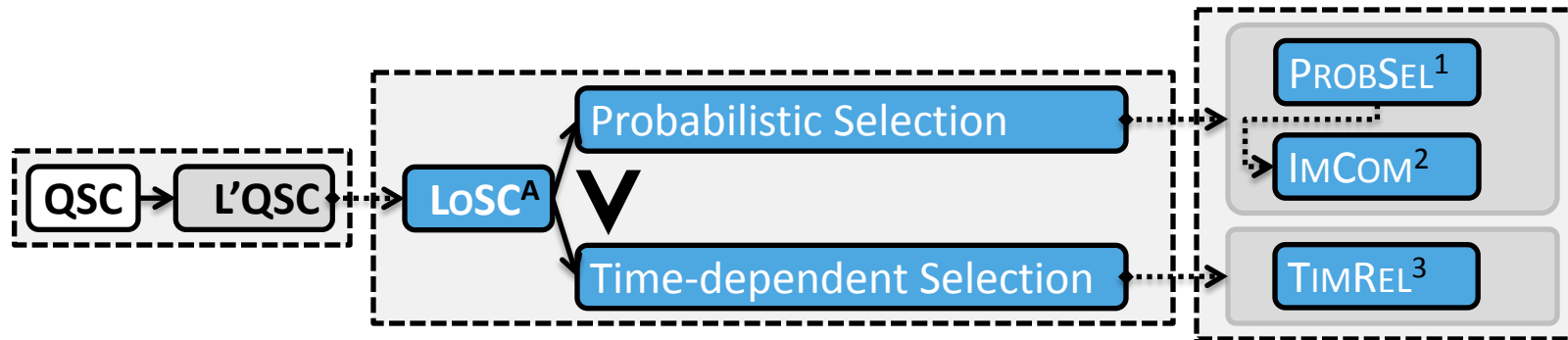
Evaluation: **Better QoS** (=Utility)



GA_i Naive GA with static group size *i*
 TG₆ Custom Adaptive GA
 _^{UP} (analog, with *time-dependency*)

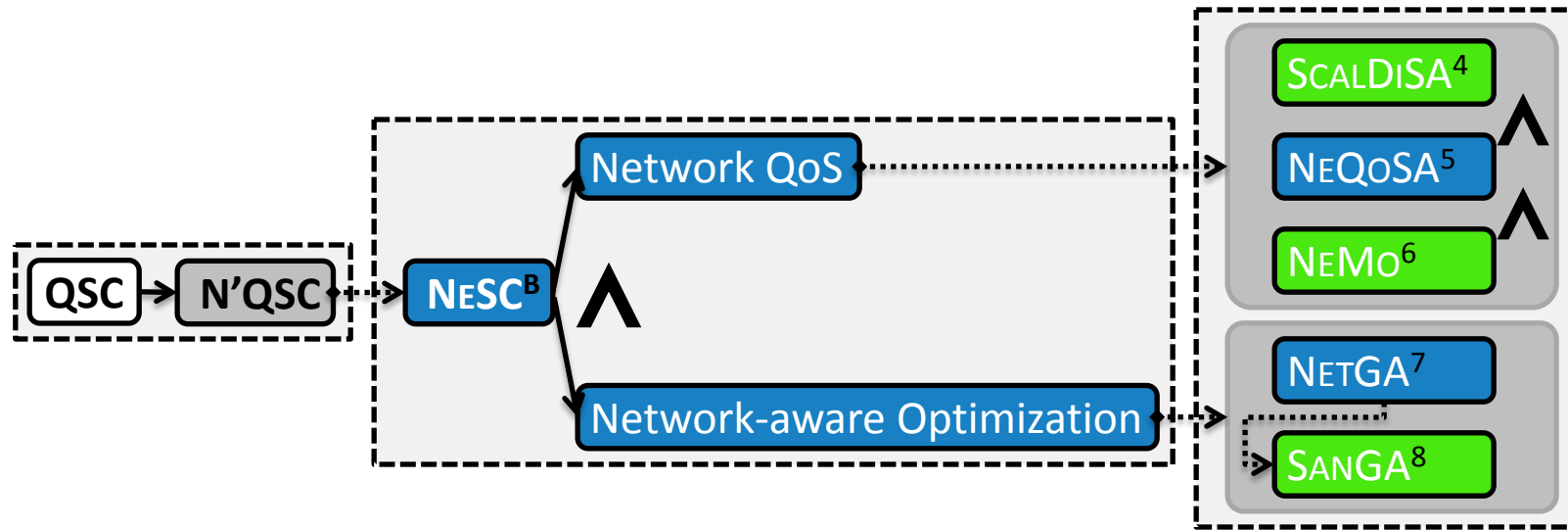
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3-A) LONG-TERM SCs: Conclusion



1. Solved partial **L'QSC**
- Approximated orig. **QSC**
2. Solved complete **L'QSC**

=> **Better QoS + Scalability!**
 => Addressed **Challenge ①!**
 (static service selection)



3-B) NETWORK-AWARE SERVICE COMPOSITIONS

Overview -> **Motivation** -> Individual **Contributions**

=> **Challenge ②**

(network-independent QoS)

=> **Challenge ③**

(network-unaware Optimization)

Overview

Approach

1. Network QoS

with a Distributed Architecture and an Augmented Network Model

2. Network-aware Optimization

through a Genetic Algorithm with custom operators and self-adaptivity

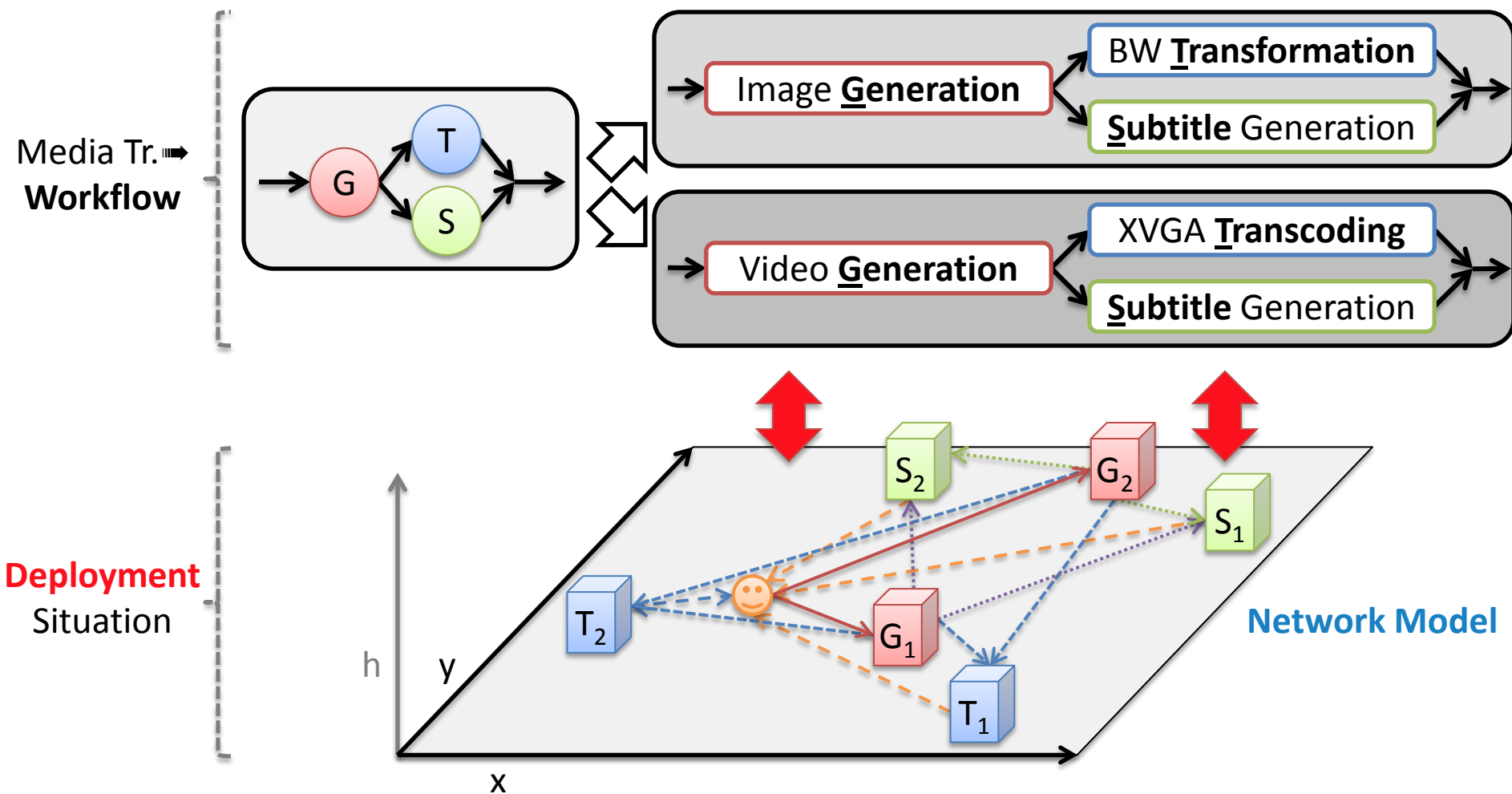
Benefits

- 1. → Reasonable QoS in distributed settings (with standard optimization)
- 1.+2. → Near-optimal QoS in distributed settings
- Scalability in distributed settings (for a much harder problem)

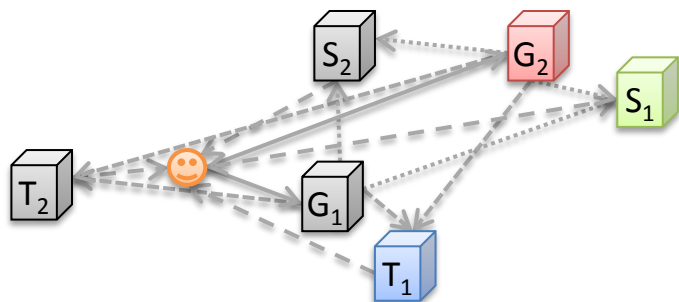
Related Work

- Realization of a P2P service system, Schuler et al. [SWSS03]
=> **no QoS formalization** + **no network QoS**
- Distributed service overlay networks (Dijkstra+QoS ratio), Li et al. [LHD+07]
=> **no QoS constraints** + **no global QoS optimization**
+ **does not scale vs. our appr. (-> service instances per task, evaluated in 2.)**
- Partition a comp. service selection into decentralized processes, Nanda et al. [NCS04] (recently: [FYG09])
=> **applied after QoS problem just before run-time**
- Distributed execution acc. to chemical paradigm [LMJ10] or by agent model [FPT10] (both not solved)
=> **no QoS formalization** + **no network QoS**

Motivation (1/4): **Distributed Scenario**

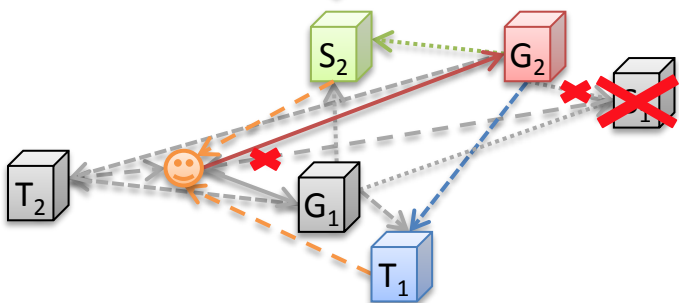


Motivation (2/4): Network-aware QoS



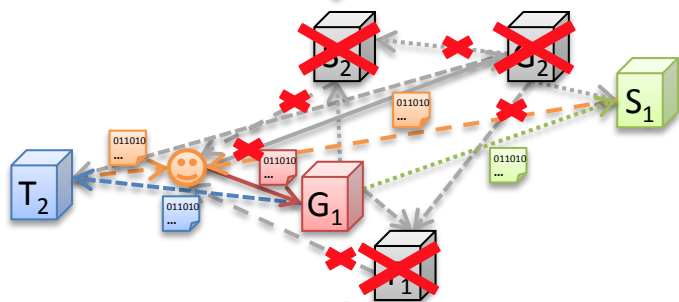
=> 80ms
(just exec.)

1 Network Latency

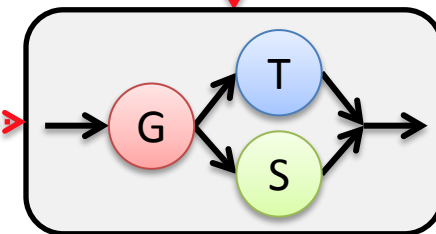


=> 155ms
(distributed)

2 Network Bandwidth

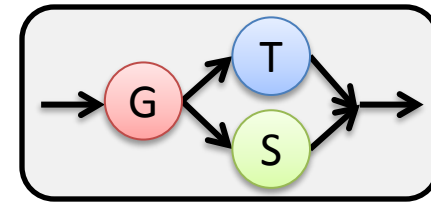


=> 1691ms
(100 MB)



Motivation (3/4): Complexity

-> Network-aware Optimization



Standard

- P providers for Task T
(e.g. Amazon, Google, ...)

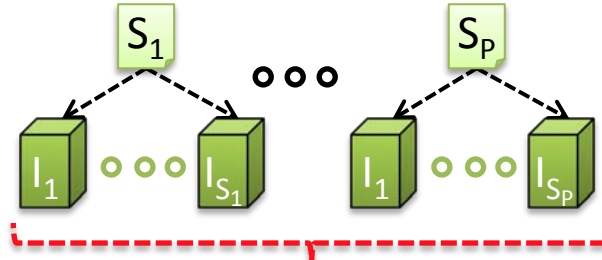


P choices per Task

=> [50-100] choices (per Task)

Network-aware

- P providers for Task T
(e.g. Amazon, Google, ...)
- I_k physical **instances** per P_k
(e.g. in Japan, Germany, ...)



$P \cdot \sum_k I_k$ choices per Task

=> [50-100] x [20-120] = [1000-12000]

choices (per Task)

=> Search Space: $\#S^{\#WF} \rightarrow (\#I \cdot \#S)^{\#WF}$

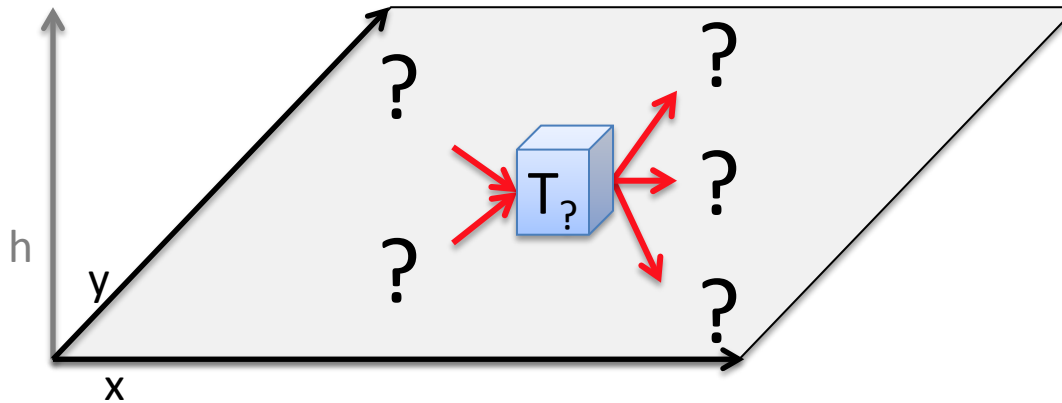
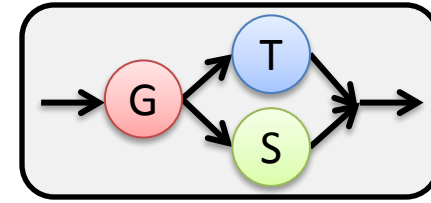
$\#S$:= Services per Task

$\#I$:= Instances per Service

$\#WF$:= Size of Workflow

Motivation (4/4): Dependencies

-> Network-aware Optimization

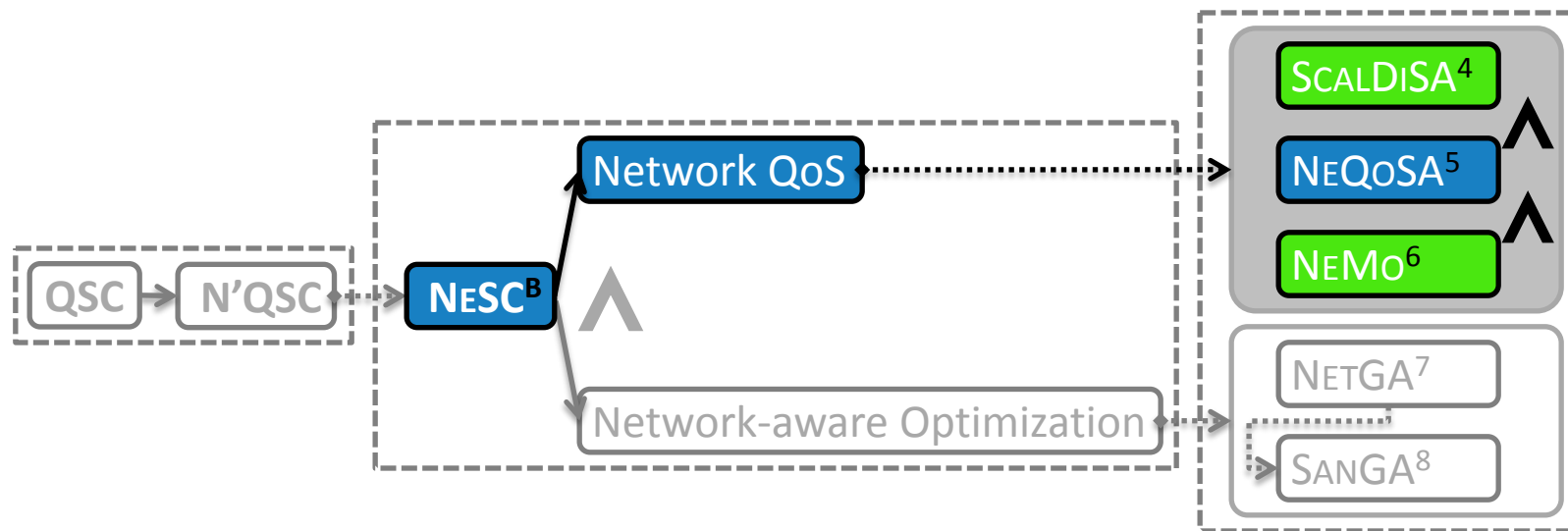


Change of service for task T

=> **Network QoS** from preceding tasks and to following tasks **change!**



New dependencies between each task and its predecessors and successors!



NETWORK QoS

Distributed Architecture

- + Network-aware QoS Algorithm (compute QoS of workflow)
- + Network Model

=> Challenge ②
(network-independent QoS)

SCALABLE DISTRIBUTED SERVICE ARCHITECTURE⁴

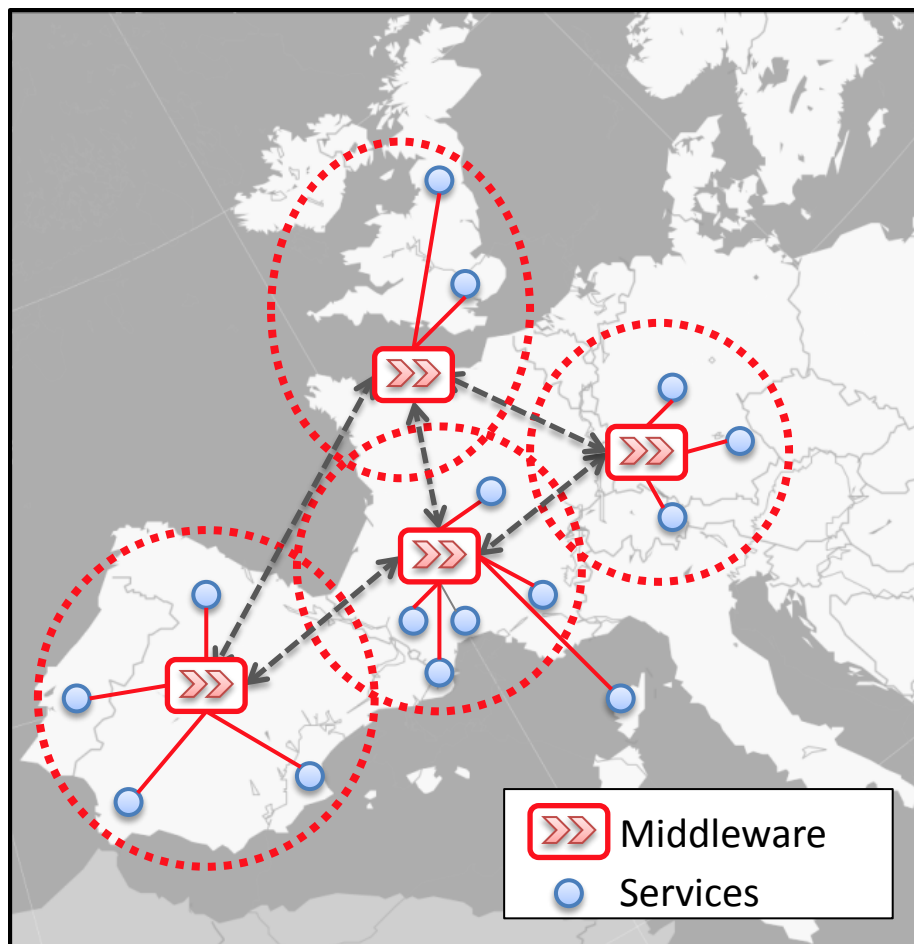
↳ [KIH12a]

A **distributed architecture** [framework] using a **flexible** number of **nodes**

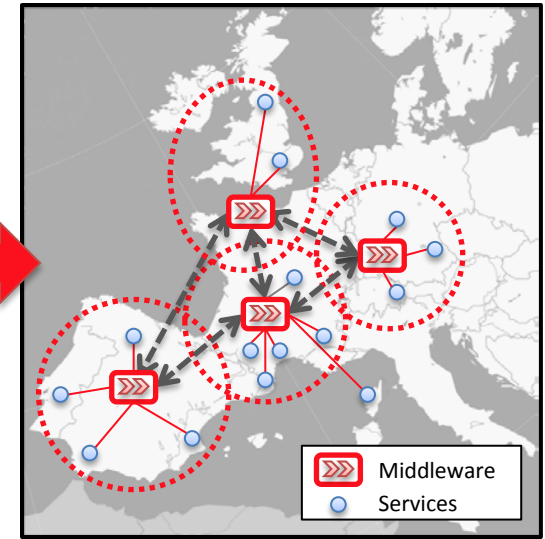
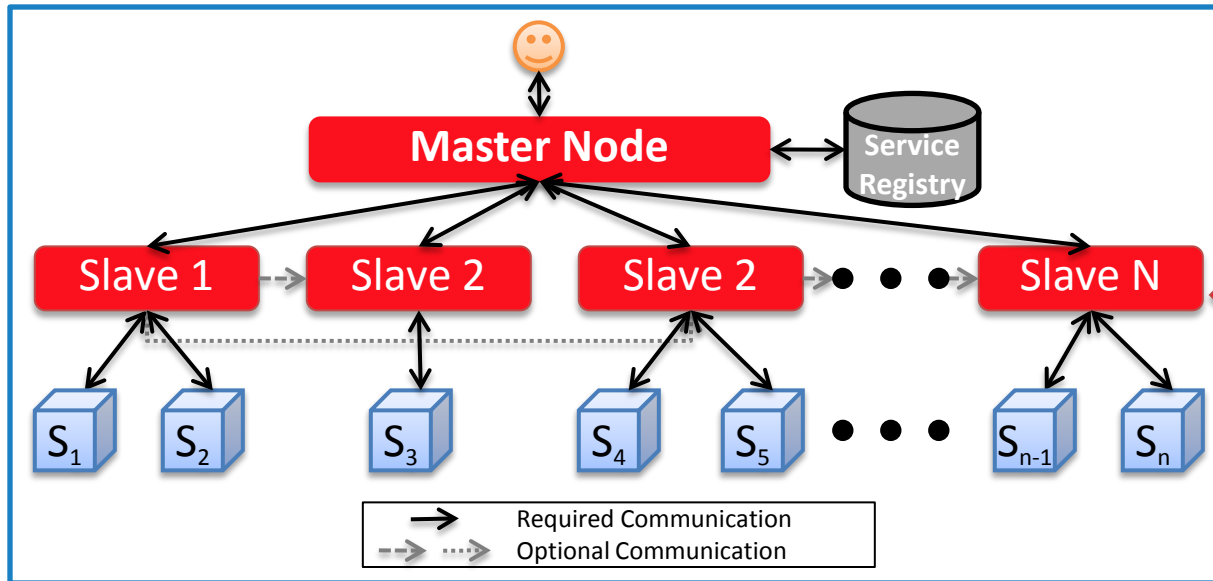
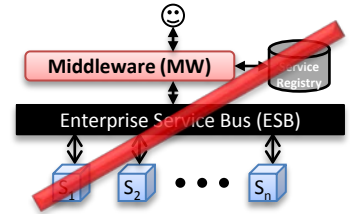
=> **Near-optimal** latency + **Scalability** in terms of **distributed-ness**

=> Address part of **Challenge ②** (network-independent QoS)

Distributed Architecture -> Distr. Exec.

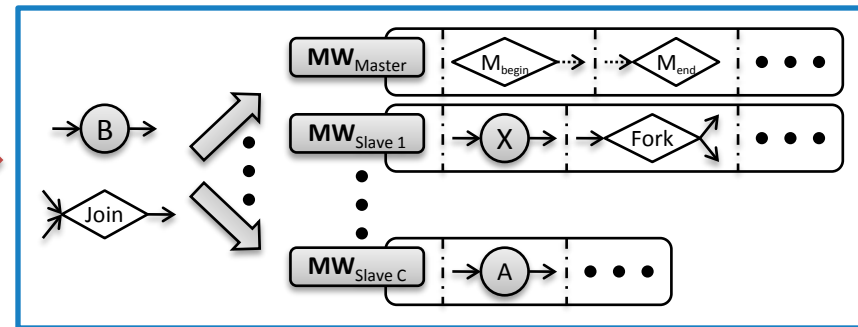
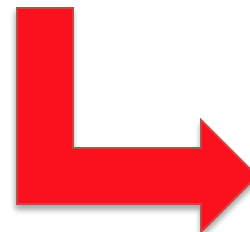


Architecture for a Middleware



Distributed Architecture

- one **master node** (=user)
- **flexible** number of **slave nodes**

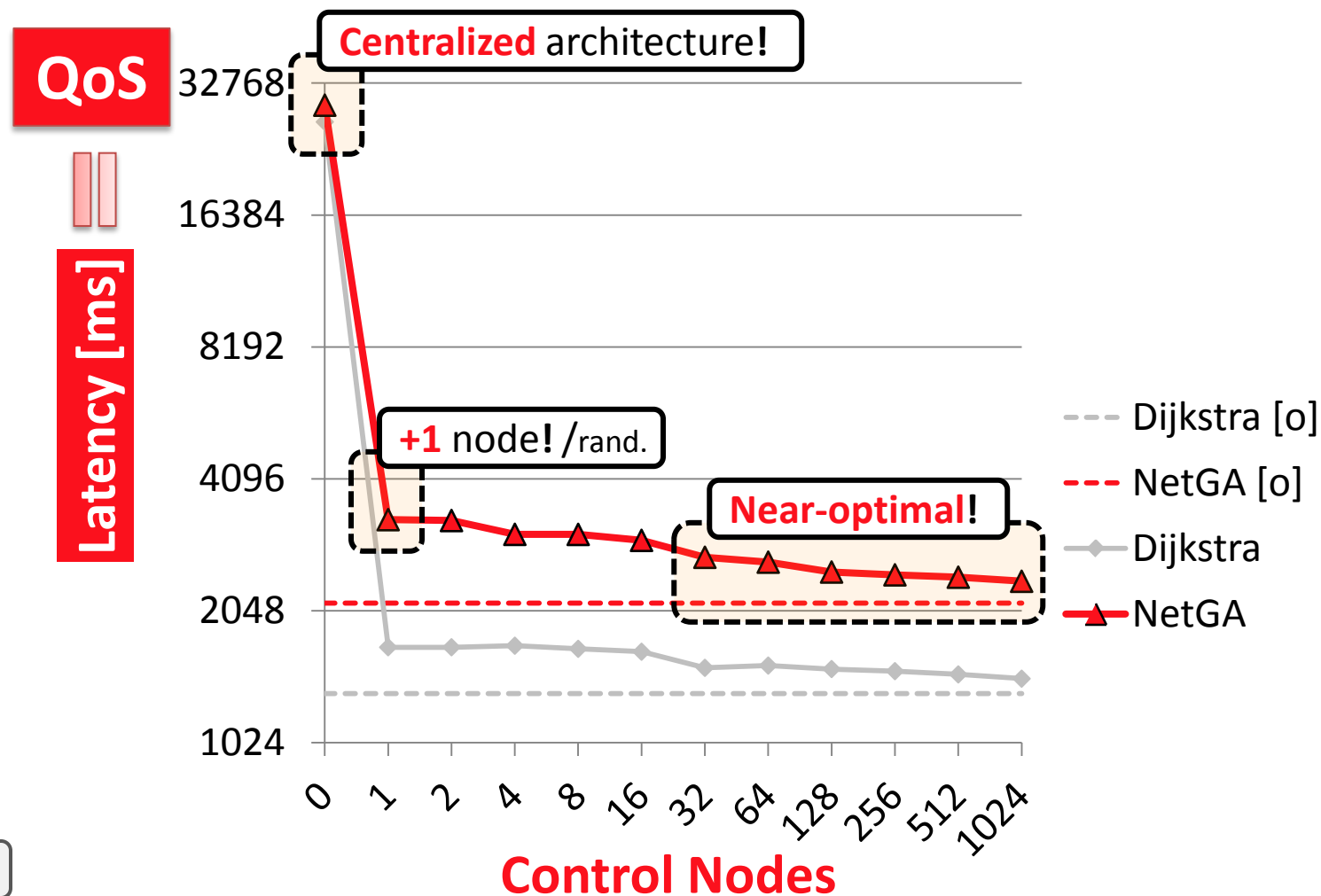


Distributed Execution

↳ **Integration** with NEQOSA⁵ and NEMO⁶

Evaluation: Near-Optimality

vs. Perfectly Distributed Arch. (-> [o])



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NETWORK MODEL (NEMO⁶)

A **general model** [framework] **augmented** to **find close service nodes**

=> Address part of **Challenge ②** (network-independent QoS)

General Model [Framework]

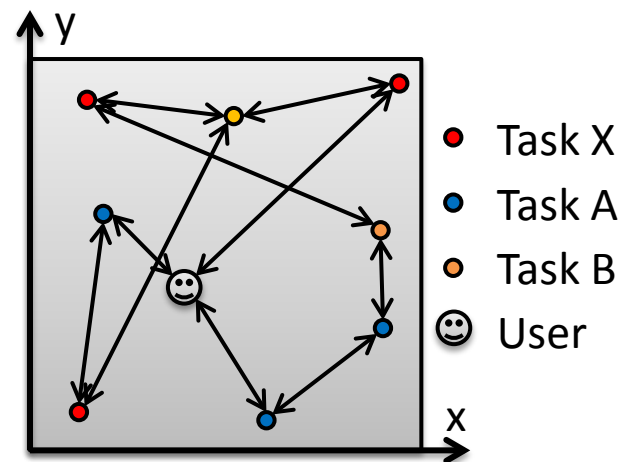
Challenges

- Estimate network latency
- Scale with number of network nodes
- Dynamic joining of nodes



Framework

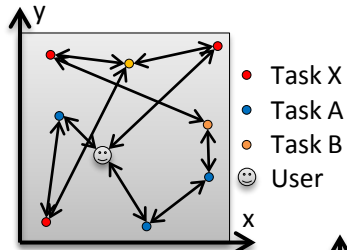
- Use a **Euclidean network model**, e.g. Vivaldi [DCKM04]
- **Project** onto **2D plane** for optimization algorithms
- **Augment** 2D representation



Augmentation

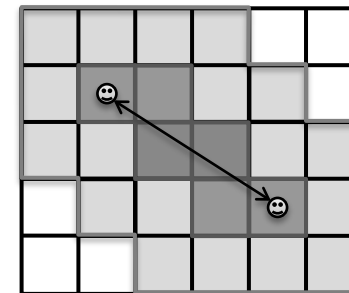
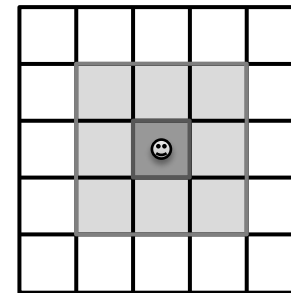
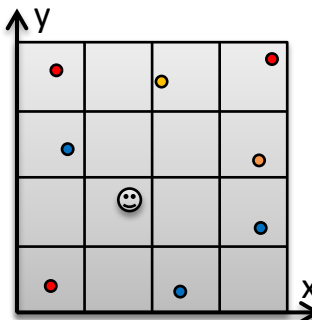
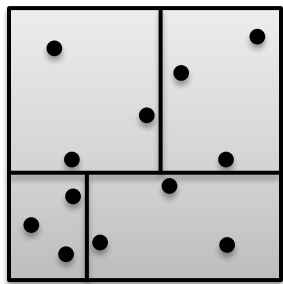
Use K-D Tree

(↳ **SANGA**⁸)



Custom Locality-sensitive Hashing Scheme

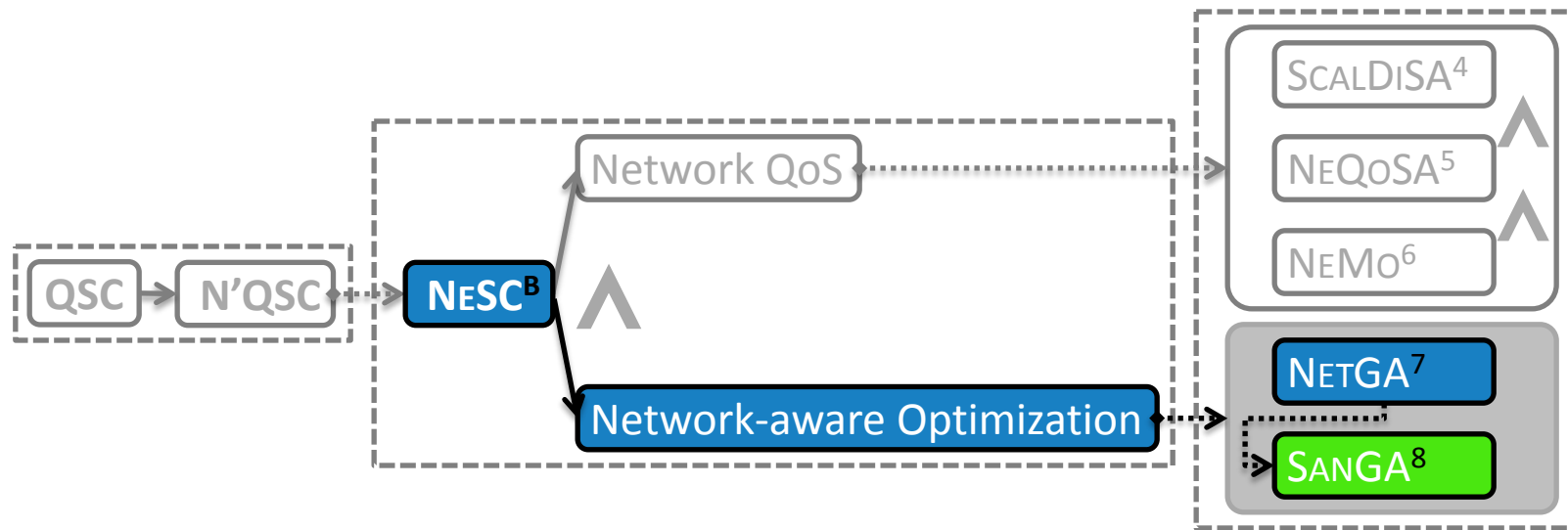
(↳ **NETGA**⁷)



■ Inner Hull ■ Outer Hull

↳ **Find close locations/services**

1. Around a network location
2. Between two network locations



NETWORK-AWARE OPTIMIZATION

Network-aware Genetic Algorithm (NETGA⁷)

-> + Self-adaptive network-aware Genetic Algorithm (SANGA⁸)

=> Challenge ③

(network-unaware Optimization)

SELF-ADAPTIVE NETWORK-AWARE GA⁸

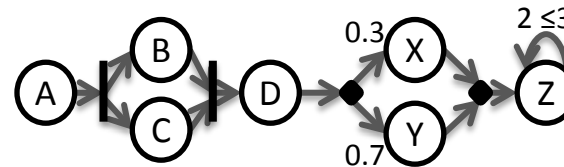
↳ [KIH13]

Genetic Algorithm which **self-adaptively** balances
network-aware operators vs. *standard operators* (extending **NETGA**⁷)

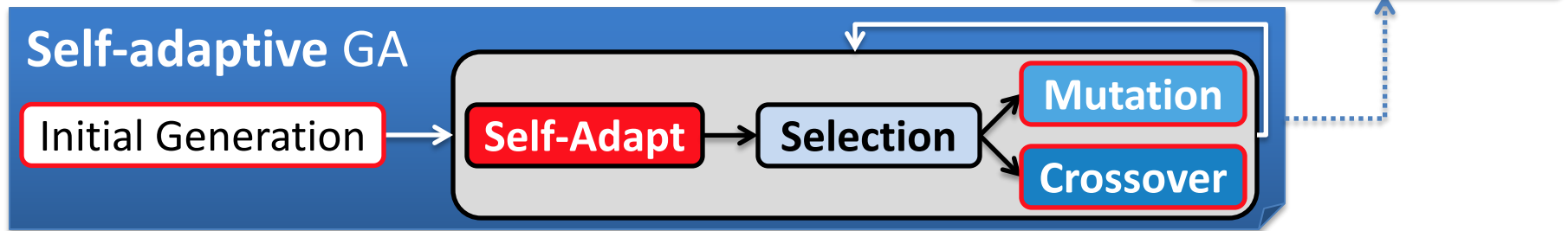
=> **Near-optimal** latency + **Scalability** in distributed settings

=> Address **Challenge** ③ (network-unaware Optimization)

SANGA⁸



Standard Self-adaptive GA:



+ Custom Operators for:

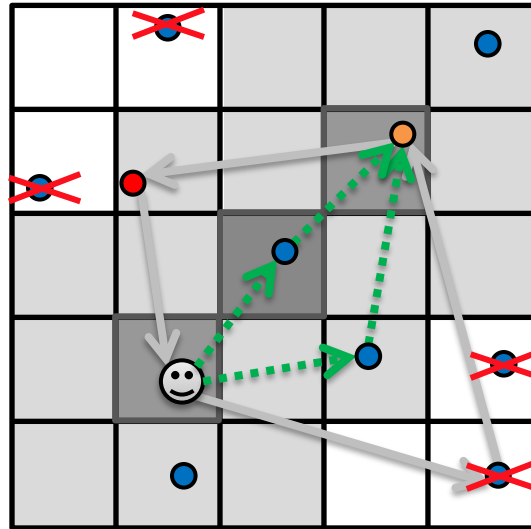
- Initial Generation (network-aware + general)
- **Mutate** (network-aware)
- **Crossover** (2x: network-aware + other QoS)

+ Custom Self-adaptation Rules

↳ Use GA for QSC [CDPEV05]

NetMutation: Mutate Operator

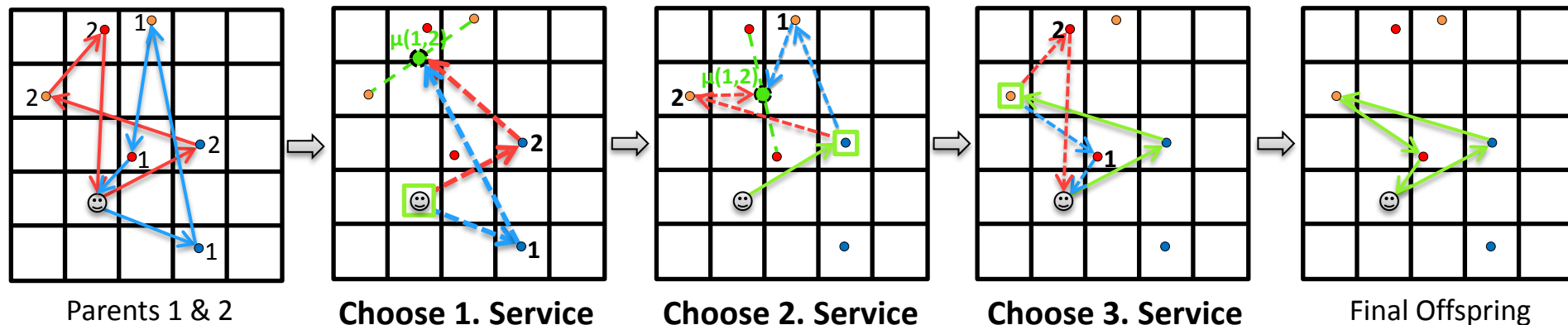
Replace one service of the current selection with one of the **close services** by using **NEMo⁶**
(consider previous and next service in workflow)



- **Standard mutate**: search space
- **NetMutation**: search space
=> most **probable** choices

NetCrossover: Crossover Operator

Combine close services from parents by **NeMo**⁶
 (randomly in proportion to distance from
previous + next service)



Self-adaptation

Challenges

- Users have **different** (low/high) **preferences** for **network QoS**
- **Network-aware operators** are **not effective** at optimizing **other QoS!**
 - Do not apply often?
 - Hardwire vs. QoS preferences?



Approach

- Balance **net. ops** vs. general ops
- **Self-adaptive realization**

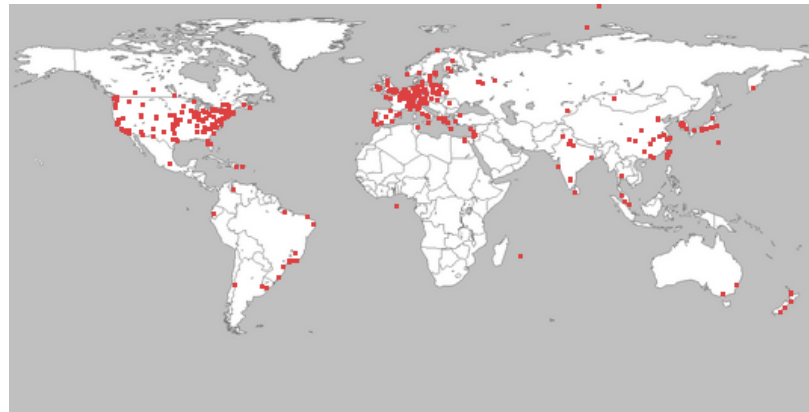
Self-Adapt (unique combination)

- ① Record average & maximum **QoS improvement ratio** (over recent uses)
- ② **Global mutate vs. crossover ops**
- ③ Local mutate/crossover ops
 - ❑ **Useful ops?** -> 100%
 - **Max imp. ratio** -> 80%
 - **Avg imp. ratio** -> 20%

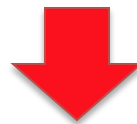
Based on Probability Matching, Adaptive Pursuit, and Power Probability Matching. (see [KIMK12])

Evaluation: **Network Dataset** [Pro08]

- **Trace dataset** of the Univ. of Minnesota (@ ridge.cs.umn.edu/pltraces.html)
- Collected on **PlanetLab** (@ www.planet-lab.org)
- **10 months** of data from more than **240 nodes**

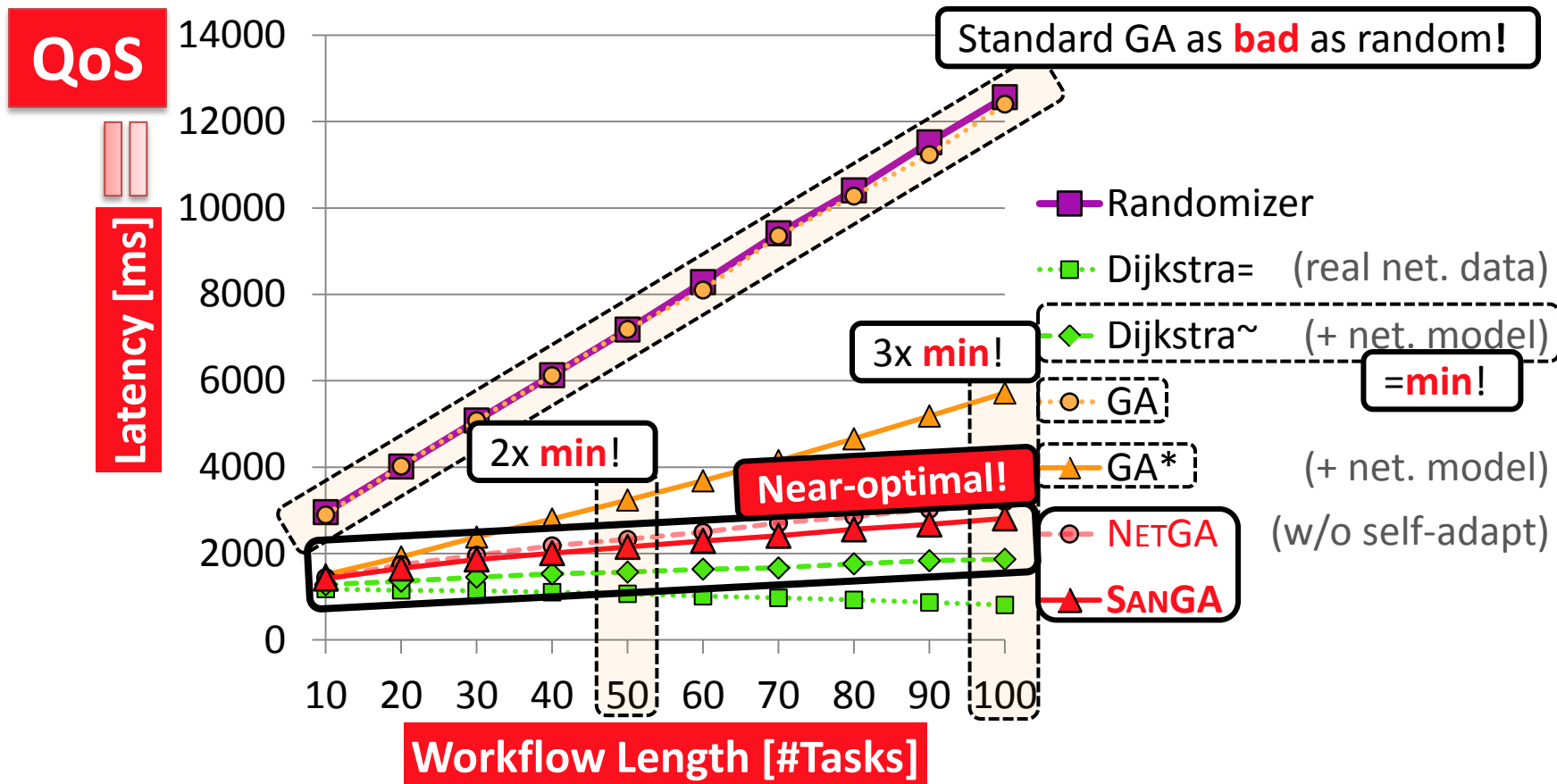


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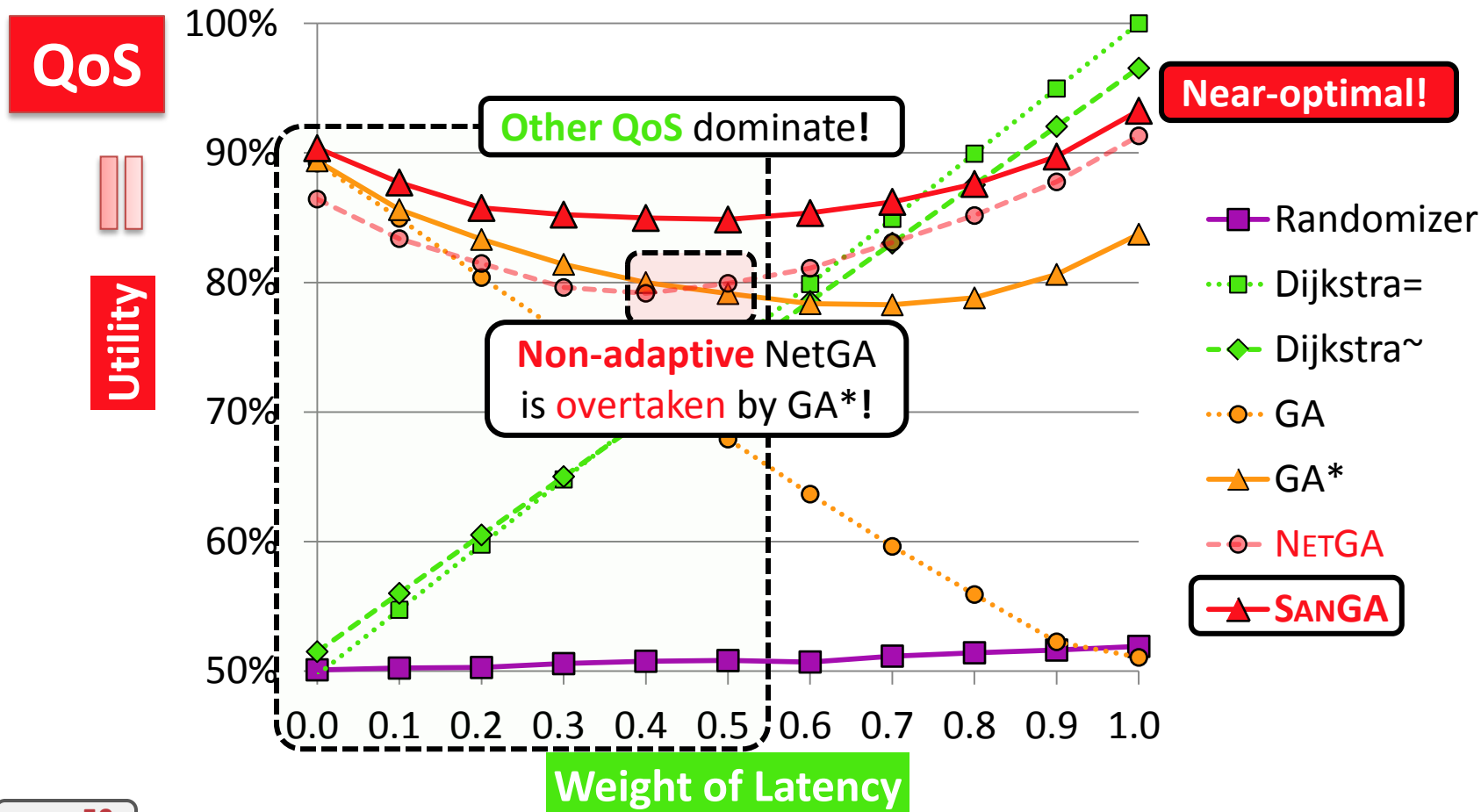
Generate **100,000** unique **locations** by *mutation*

Evaluation: Near-optimal Network QoS



500#WF

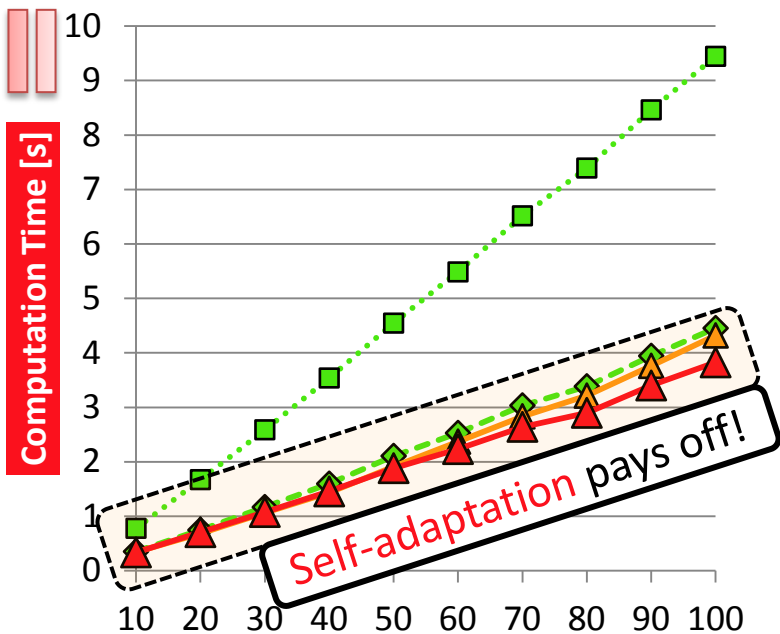
Evaluation: Near-optimal Other QoS



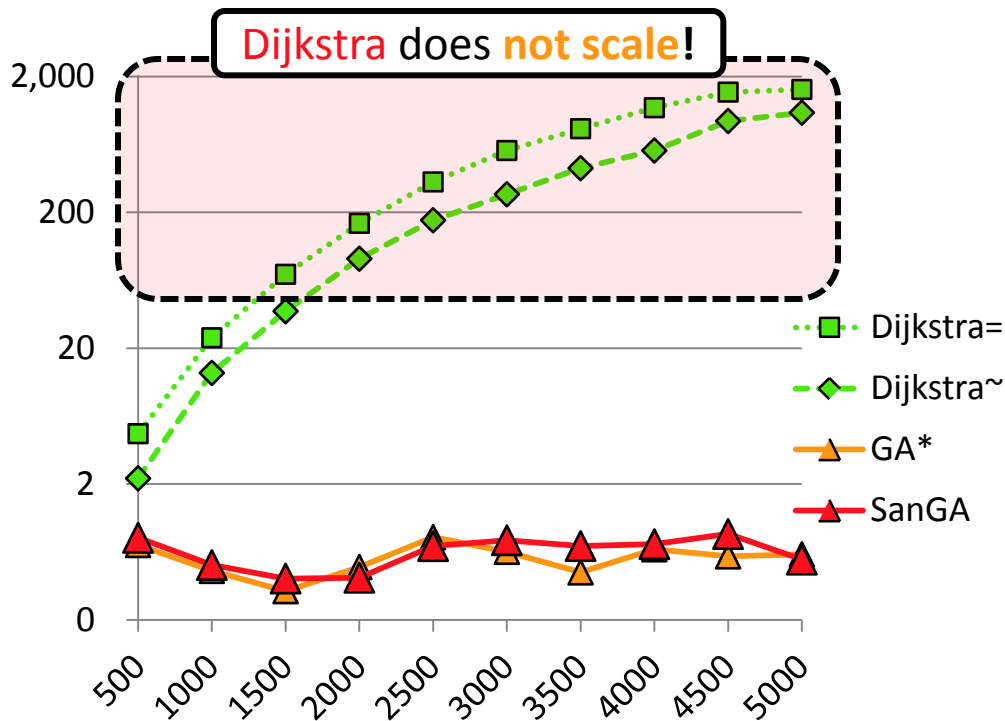
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Evaluation: Scalability

Time



Workflow Length [#Tasks]

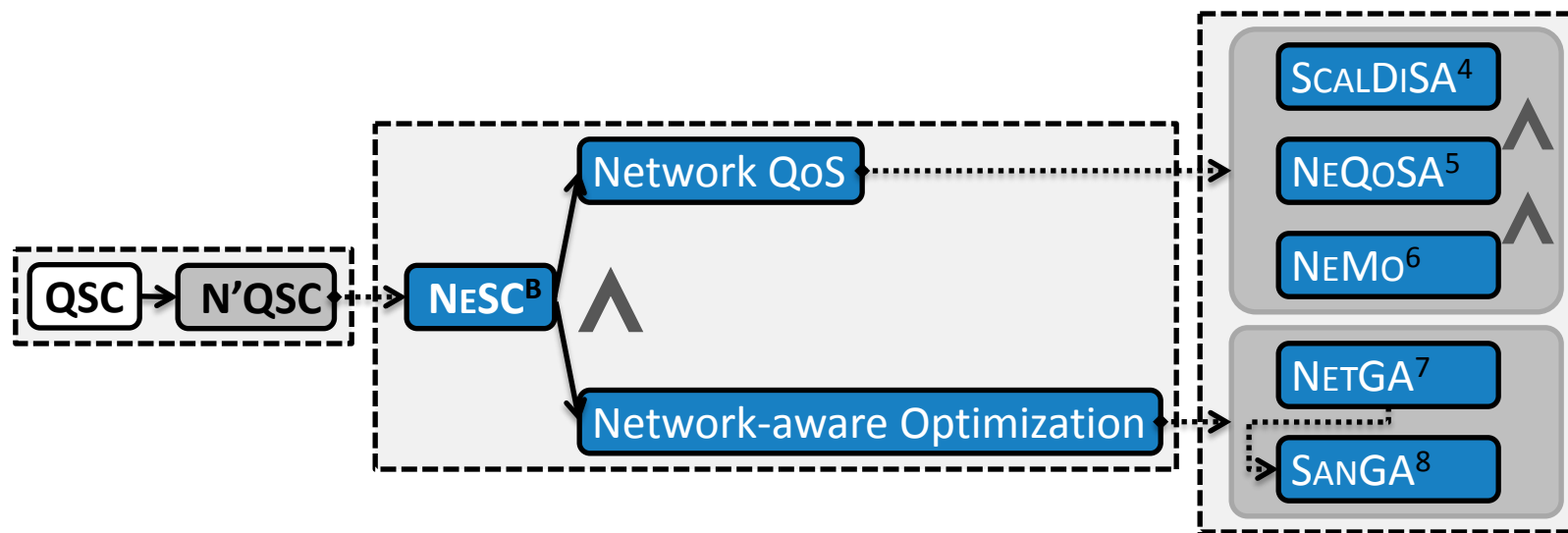


Service Instances [per Task]

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3-B) NETWORK-AWARE SCs: Conclusion



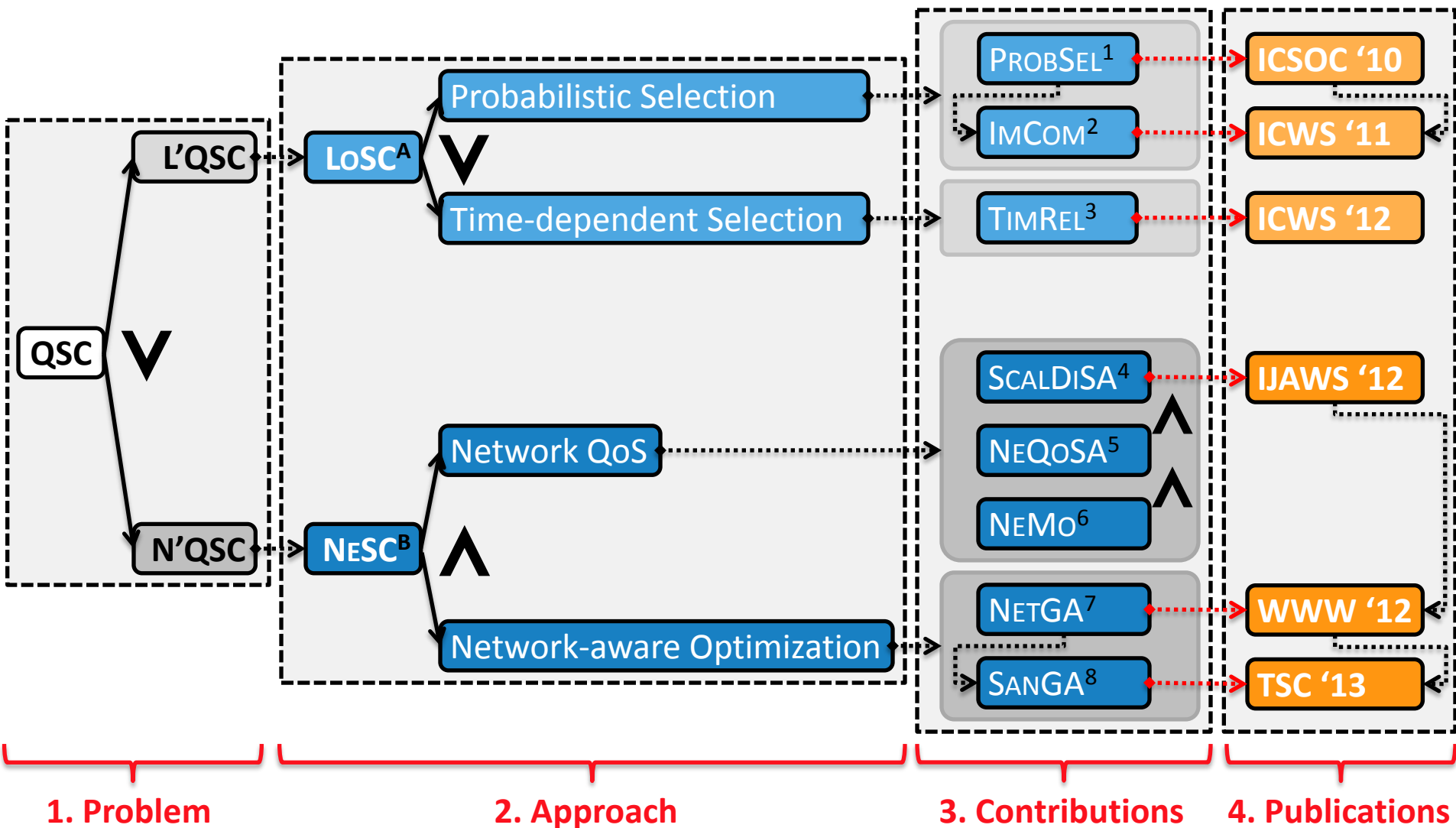
1. Solved **N'QSC** for **latency**
(bandwidth ext. possible out-of-the-box)
2. Balanced **specialized operators** (net.)
versus general operators (general QoS)

=> **Applicability** + **Scalability!**
 => addressed **Challenges ②+③**
 (network-independent QoS)
 (network-unaware Optimization)

4. CONCLUSION

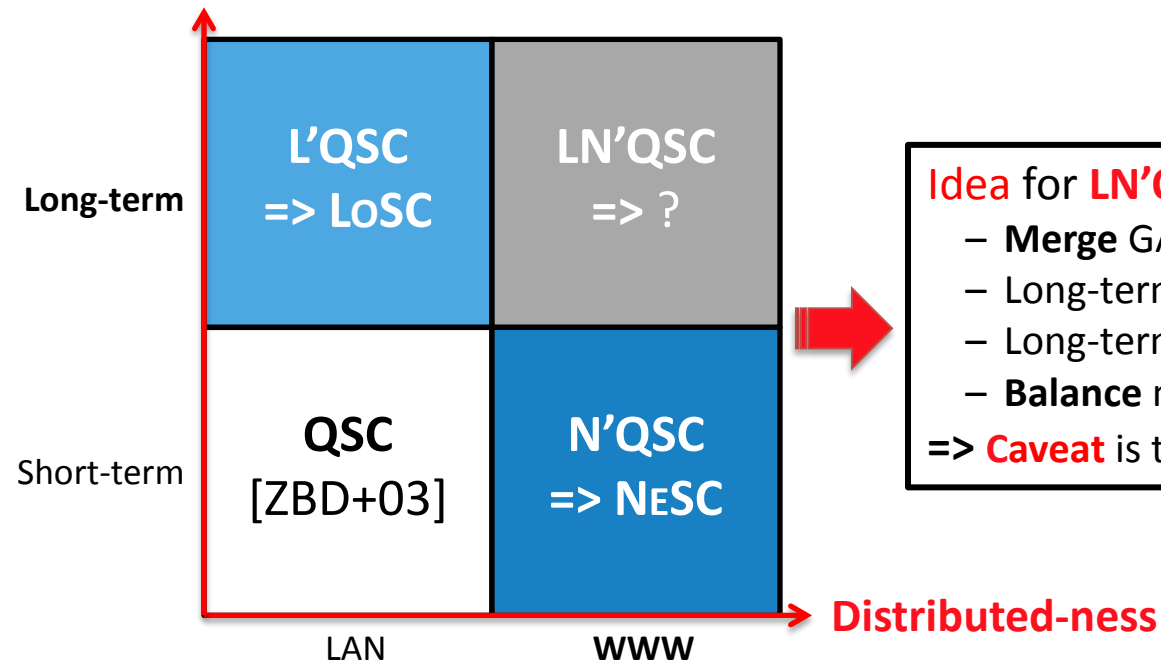
PhD Overview -> **Big Picture** -> Conclusion -> *Outlook*

PhD Overview



Big Picture

Executions



Idea for LN'QSC: Combine TIMREL³ with SANGA⁸

- Merge GA encodings
- Long-term GA **utility** + network **QoS computation**
- Long-term GA **ops** + network GA **ops**
- **Balance** merged ops with **Self-Adaptation**

=> **Caveat** is the search space: $\#S^{\#WF} \rightarrow (\#I \cdot \#S^{\#WF})^{\#TD}$

Conclusion

Theory

Two Extensions of the **QSC** problem, **L'QSC** and **N'QSC**.

=> **Issue** of **I. APPLICABILITY**

Practice

Effective and **efficient** custom **optimization algorithms** addressing the problem extensions' characteristics and the caused increased search space.

=> **Challenges** ①+②+③

=> **Issues** of **I. APPLICABILITY** + **II. SCALABILITY**

Outlook

APPLICABILITY and **SCALABILITY** remain ongoing challenges.

In this PhD I have worked on addressing them through **effective** and **efficient** approaches for **long-term** and **network-aware** service compositions.

Thank you very much for listening!