Energy Modelling Mobile Devices

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Possible High-Level Goals for Thesis Topics

- Understand how mobile software consumes energy
 - Mobile operating systems, platforms
 - Android, Dalvik Virtual Machine, Java
 - Management of energy consumption
- Investigate energy saving opportunities, tradeoffs
 - ► In networking technologies
 - Processors, asymmetric
- Construct and evaluate energy models for hardware devices
 - ▶ Bluetooth, WiFi, 3G, 4G
 - Machine learning, statistical tools

Measuring Energy Consumption

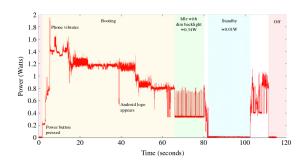


Figure: Power consumption during boot¹.

- ► Measurements are complicated
 - Lack of instrumentation
 - Cumbersome manual setups

In: Pervasive and Mobile Computing 6.6 (2010), pp. 593-606.

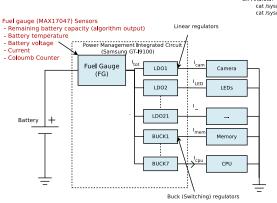
Synchronization

- Power and energy
- $P(t)[Watt] = V(t)[Volt] \cdot I(t)[Ampere]$
- $E_{t_1,t_2}[Joule] = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} P(t)dt$

¹Andrew Rice and Simon Hay. "Measuring mobile phone energy consumption for 802.11 wireless networking".



Measuring Energy Consumption (2)



cat /sys/class/power_supply/battery/current_now cat /sys/class/power supply/battery/voltage now

On Android:

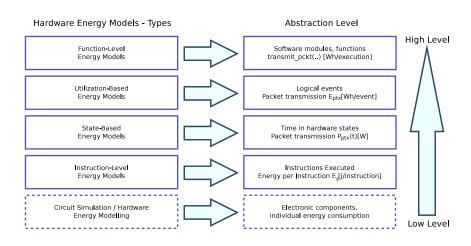
- Several methodologies to measure energy based on available sensors
 - % Batt. capacity
 - Current sensor²
 - Voltage sensor³
 - Fluctuations⁴

⁴Jung et al., "DevScope: a nonintrusive and online power analysis tool for smartphone hardware components"; Dong and Zhong, "Self-constructive high-rate system energy modeling for battery-powered mobile systems".

⁴Zhang et al., "Accurate online power estimation and automatic battery behavior based power model generation for smartphones".

⁴Xu et al., "V-edge: fast self-constructive power modeling of smartphones based on battery voltage dynamics".

Energy Modelling Software Systems



Brandolese et al., "Energy estimation for 32-bit microprocessors".



Flinn and Satyanarayanan, "PowerScope: A tool for profiling the energy usage of mobile applications".

Xiao et al., "Modeling and managing energy consumption of mobile devices".

Example: Platform Level Energy Modelling

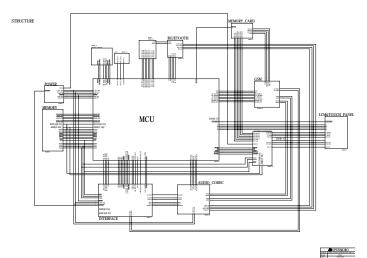


Figure: Schematic over modern smart phone components⁵

Example: Platform Level Energy Modelling (2)

$$P_{total} = \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i g_i(x_i)$$

- ► $P_{total}[W]$ proportional to utilisation
- ▶ Finding β_i ?
 - Machine learning
 - Statistical tools

Predictor	Description
x ₁	CPU_CYCLES
<i>x</i> ₂	DCACHE_MISS
<i>x</i> ₃	TLB_MISS
X4	ITLB_MISS
<i>x</i> ₅	CYCLES_DATA_STALL
× ₆	INSN_EXECUTED
×7	DTLB_MISS
x ₈	DCACHE_ACCESS
CPU x ₉	DCACHE_MISS
×10	EXP_EXTERNAL
× ₁₁	DCACHE_ACCESS_ALL
<i>x</i> ₁₂	IFU_IFETCH_MISS
×13	BR_INST_MISS_PRED
×14	CYCLES_IFU_MEM_STALL
×15	LSU_STALL
×16	PC_CHANGE
×17	BR_INST_EXECUTED
×18	Download rate [KB]
<i>x</i> ₁₉	Upload rate $\left[\frac{KB}{s}\right]$
×20	CAM-PSM switch
×21	Brightness level
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Possible Master Topics in Energy Modelling

- Study state of the art mobile systems
 - ► Energy as a computing resource
 - Management, new OS techniques
 - Android: WakeLocks, activity destroy?
 - Applicability of virtual machines in mobile environments
- Build energy models for state of the art devices
 - Modern devices, opportunities for energy saving
 - ► Ex. big.Little, multicore processors, wireless
 - Other computing devices, routers, servers
- More thesis topics
 - http://www.mn.uio.no/ifi/studier/masteroppgaver/dmms/

