

ADAPT'14 panel introduction *Grigori Fursin, INRIA, France*

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Motivation for systematic and reproducible research and experimentation

User requirements:

 minimize all costs (characteristics)
(execution time, power consumption, price, size, faults, etc)

guarantee real-time constraints (bandwidth, QoS, etc)





Research and experimentation particularly on program optimization and architecture design is ad-hoc, tedious, time-consuming, ad-hoc and error prone



Our practical experience during MILEPOST/cTuning.org project (2006-2009)

- Optimization spaces are large and non-linear with many local minima
- Exploration is slow and ad-hoc (random, genetic, some heuristics)
- Only small part of the system is taken into account (rarely reflect behavior of the whole system)
- No common, large and diverse training sets (benchmarks and data sets)
- No common infrastructure and repositories to share knowledge
- Many statistical pitfalls and wrong usages of machine learning for compilation and architecture
- Difficult to reproduce, validate and improve past research results

•By the end of experiments, new tool versions or architectures are often available;

- Life span of experiments and ad-hoc frameworks end of MS or PhD project;
- Difficult to reproduce, validate and improve past research results
- Computer engineering is considered by students as hacking rather than science

Panel on Reproducible research methodologies and new publication models

- capture, catalog, systematize, modify, replay and exchange experiments
- validate and verify experimental results
- deal with rising amount of experimental data using statistical analysis, data mining, predictive modeling, etc.
- enable new publication model where results are shared and validated by the community





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