



Energy management of a Wireless Sensor Network at application level

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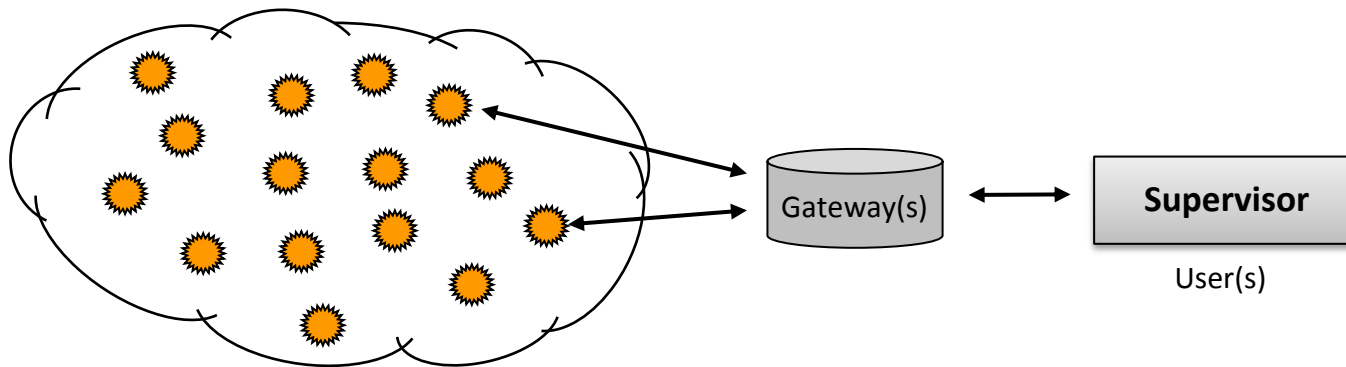
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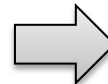


■ Smart environment

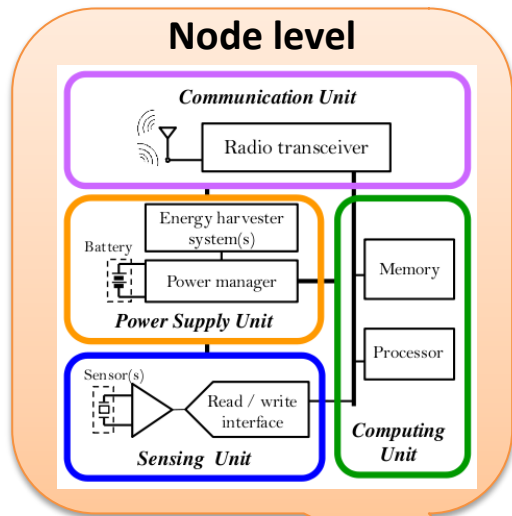
- **Ensure a given service** for a system over a Wireless Sensor Network (WSN)
- **Maximize** the availability of the application (**WSN lifespan**)



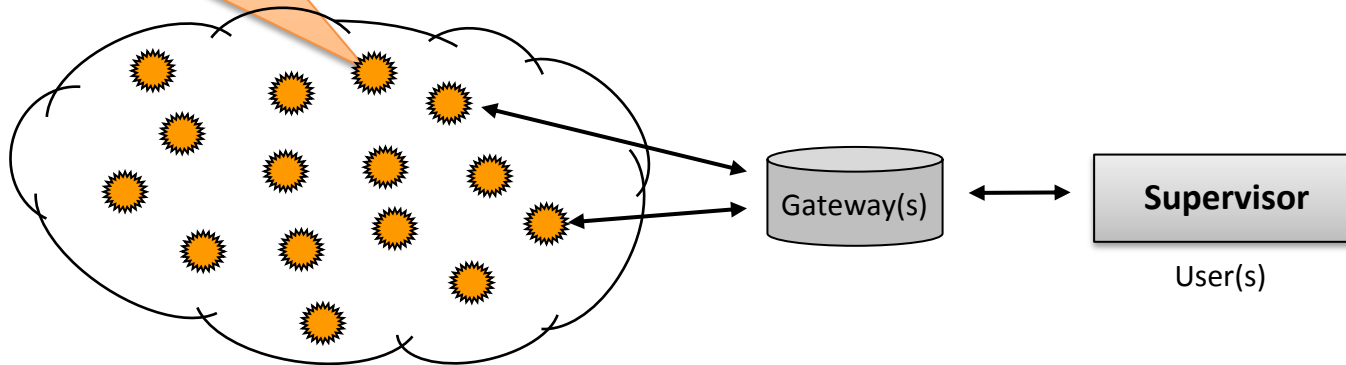
Maximize WSN lifespan



- Node level
- Network level
- Application level

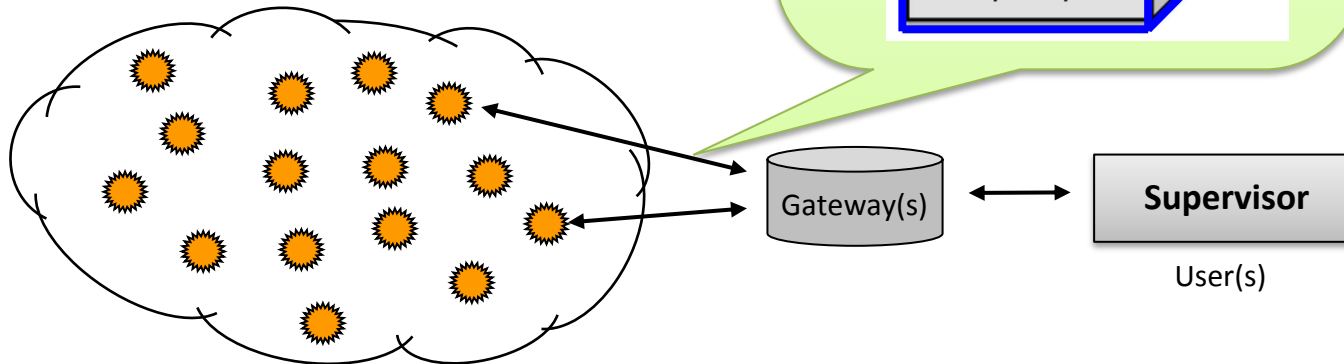
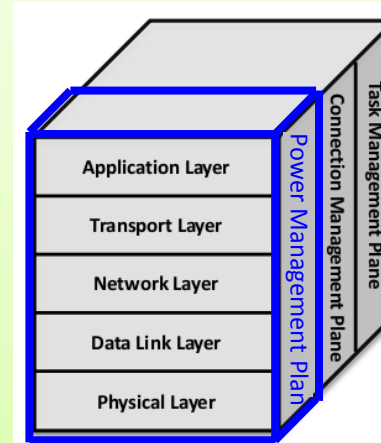


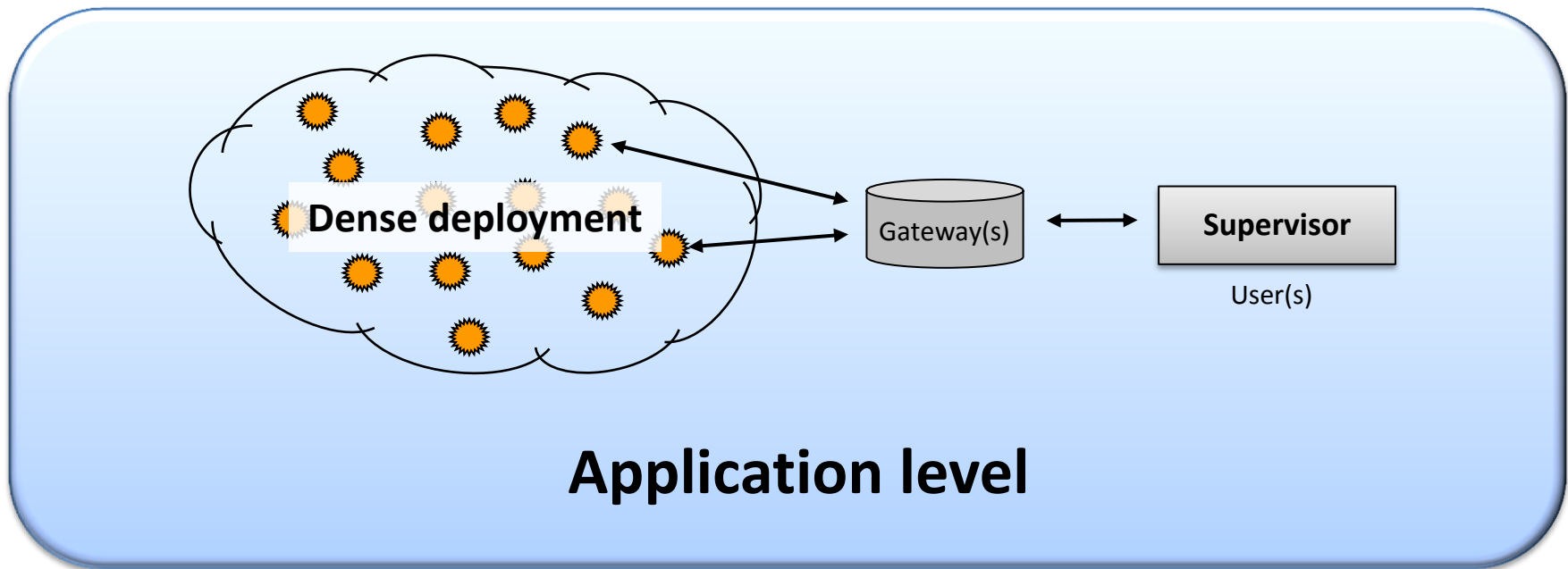
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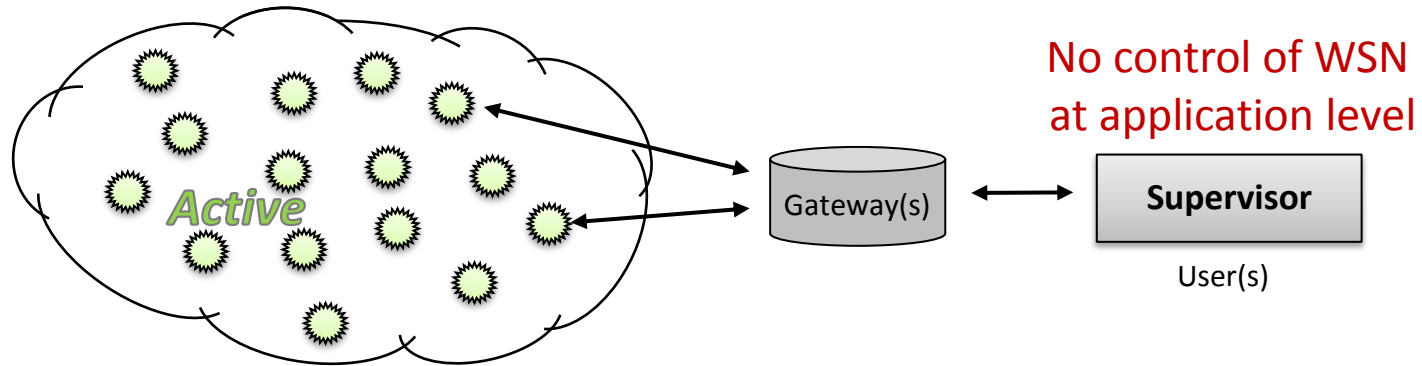
Network level (Protocol stack)





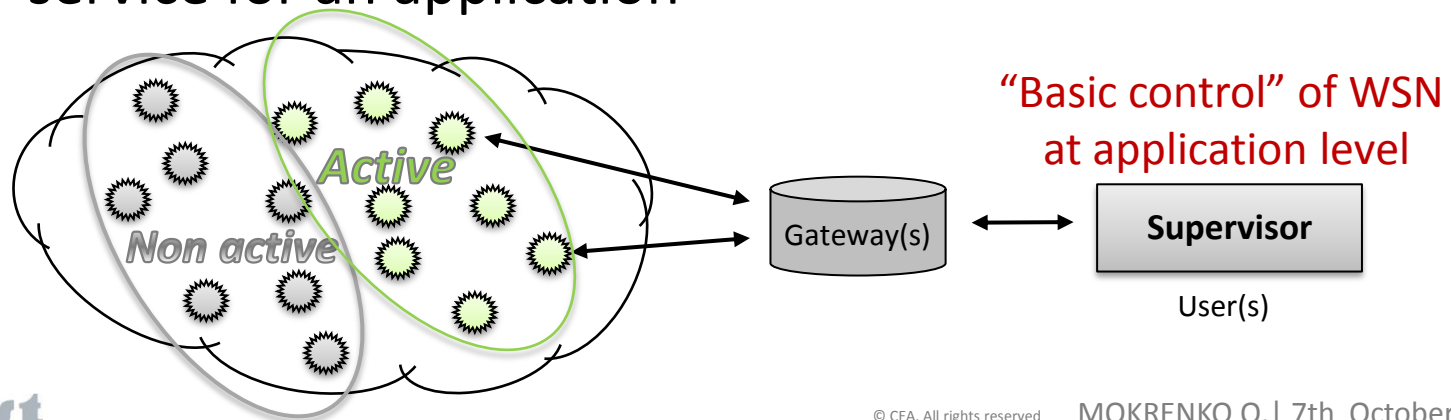
■ Dummy scheme

- **All nodes** are active to ensure a given service for an application

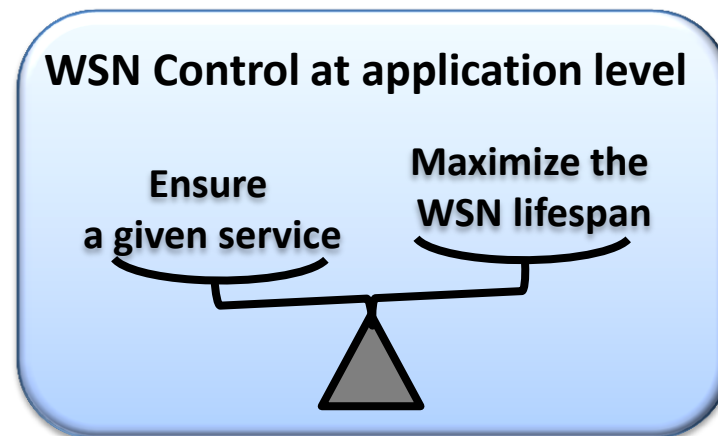
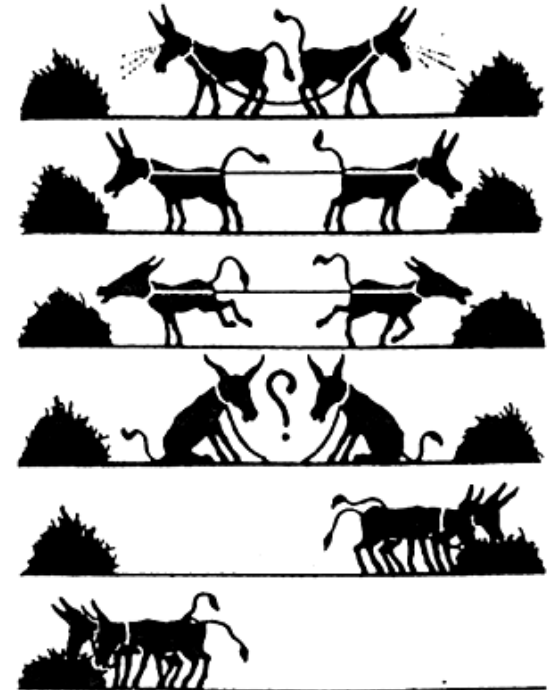


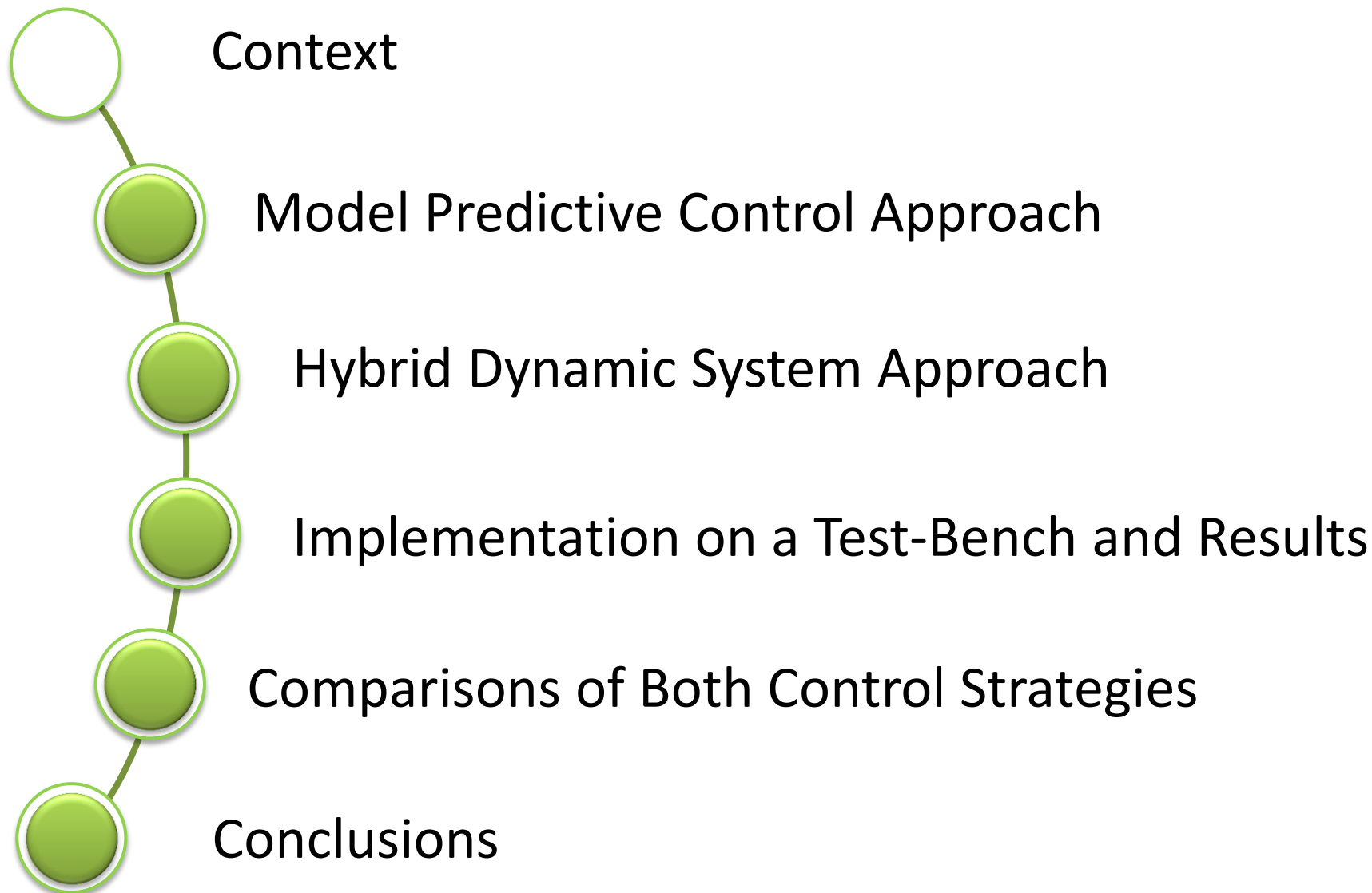
■ Basic scheme

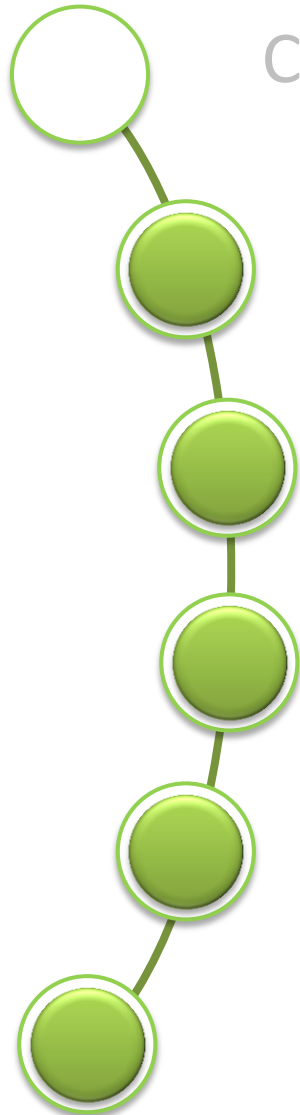
- **A given number of nodes** are active to ensure a given service for an application



- **Exploit trade-offs:** find a **balance** between different **contradictory objectives** that occur at the **same time**
- Example:
 - Maximize the performance (Ensure a given service)
 - Maximize the WSN lifespan







Context

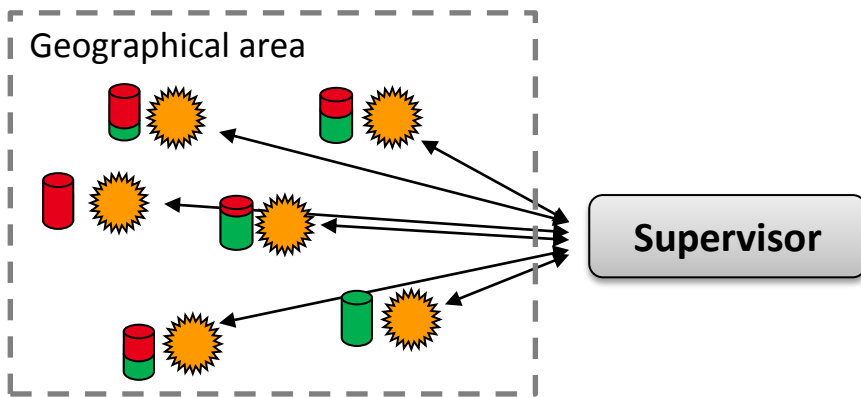
Model Predictive Control (MPC) Approach

- Problem statement
- WSN: system modeling
- MPC design
 - Control design
 - Benchmark description
 - Simulation results
- Conclusion on the MPC approach

Problem statement, control objectives

■ Wireless sensor network

- Nodes deployed in a geographical area
- To ensure a given service
- Same functionality → Redundant information



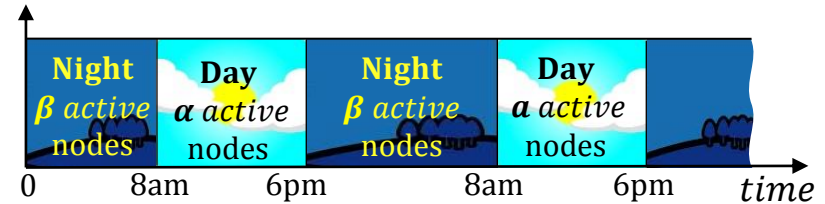
■ Energy consumption

- Average energy consumption for node i in mode j for a given time period

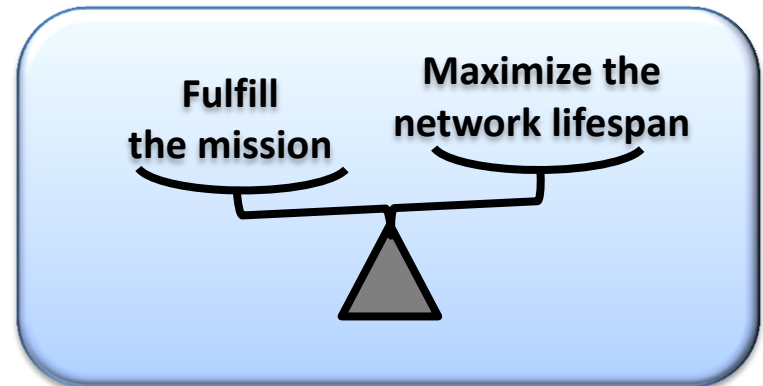
Node	Mode M_1	Mode M_2	...	Mode M_m
1	b_{11}	b_{12}	...	b_{1m}
2	b_{21}	b_{22}	...	b_{2m}
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
n	b_{n1}	b_{n2}	...	b_{nm}

■ Service = mission

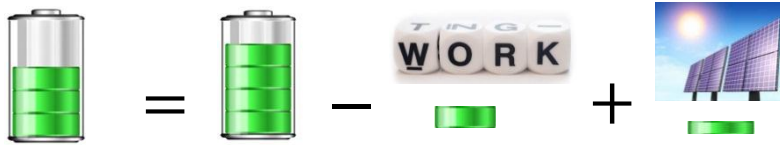
- Minimum number of active nodes during a given time period



■ Control objectives



Node i : energy consumption model

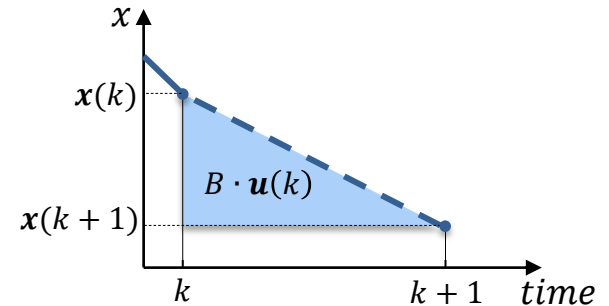


$$x_i(k + 1) = x_i(k) - B_i \cdot u_i(k) + E_i \cdot w_i(k)$$

$$y_i(k) = x_i(k) \text{ (measurement)}$$

Maximize lifespan \rightarrow $\max \sum_{\text{all nodes}} x_i(k + 1)$ \Rightarrow

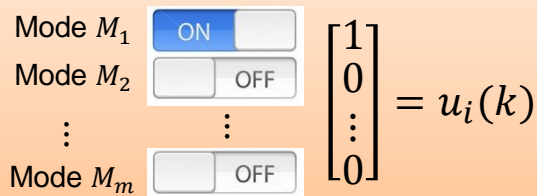
Whole system model



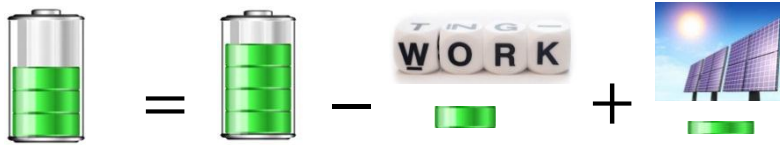
Compute $u(k)$ s.t. $\min \sum_{\text{all nodes}} B_i \cdot u_i(k)$

Under constraints

1. Binary control (at time k)



Node i : energy consumption model

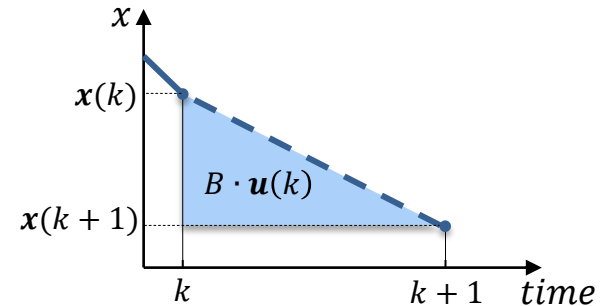


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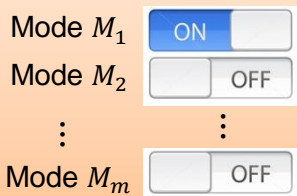
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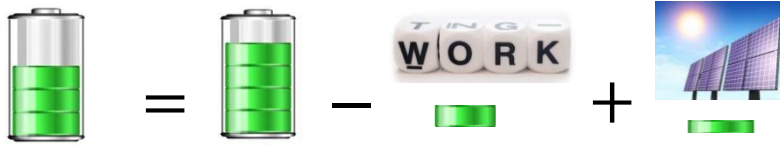


2. Node works in a unique mode at time k



$$\sum_{h=1}^m u_{ih} = 1$$

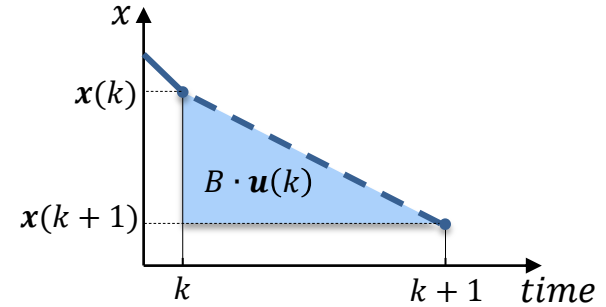
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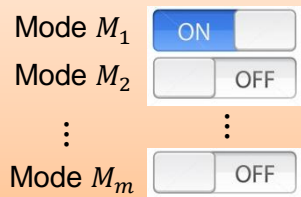


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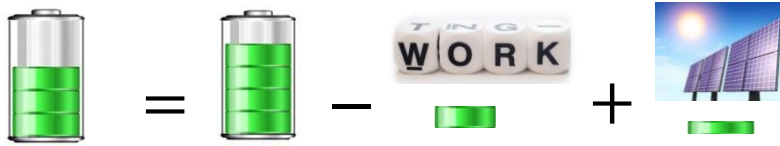
$$\sum_{h=1}^m u_{ih}$$

3. Mission definition



For mode M_h : $\sum_{i=1}^n u_{ih} = d_h$

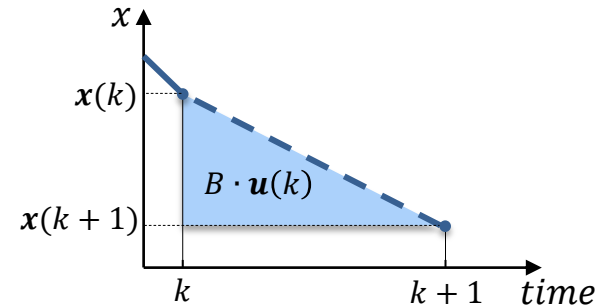
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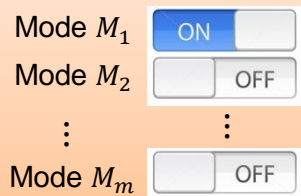


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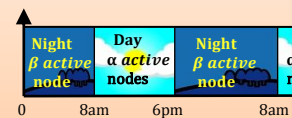


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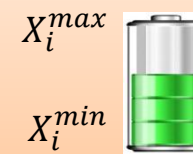
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3. Mission definition



For mode M_h : $\sum_{i=1}^n$

4. Bounded capacity of the battery



$$0 < X_i^{\min} \leq x_i \leq X_i^{\max}$$

■ Model Predictive Control

$$\mathbf{u}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{N_p} (\mathbf{X}^{max} - \mathbf{x}_{k+j|k})^T Q (\mathbf{X}^{max} - \mathbf{x}_{k+j|k}) + \sum_{j=0}^{N_u-1} \mathbf{u}_{k+j|k}^T R \mathbf{u}_{k+j|k} \right)$$

Subject to:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}_{k+1+j|k} = A\mathbf{x}_{k+j|k} + B\mathbf{u}_{k+j|k} + E\mathbf{w}_{k+j|k}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, N_p \\ \mathbf{X}^{min} \leq \mathbf{x}_{k+j|k} \leq \mathbf{X}^{max}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, N_p \\ \sum_{i=1}^n u_{ih} = d_h \text{ for each } (k+j|k) \\ \sum_{h=1}^m u_{ih} = 1 \text{ for each } (k+j|k) \\ \mathbf{u}_{k+j|k} \in \{0,1\}^{mn}, j = 0, 1, \dots, N_u - 1 \end{array} \right.$$

Weighting matrices
chosen depending on
the application:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{n \times n} \\ R \in \mathbb{R}_{> 0}^{mn \times mn} \end{array} \right.$$

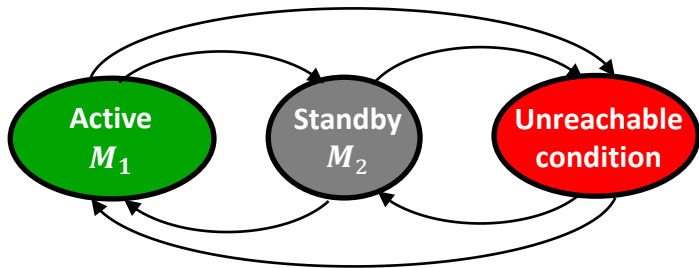
→ Mixed Integer Quadratic Programming (MIQP)

Benchmark

- 6 sensor nodes

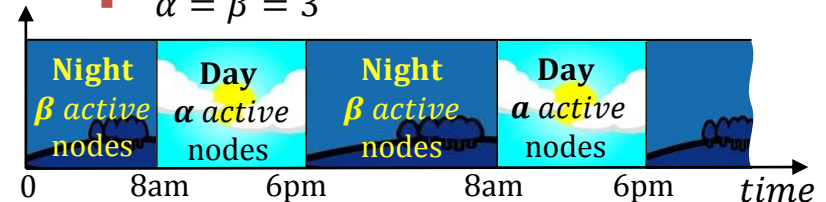
- 3 states:

- 2 functioning modes
- Unreachable condition



- Mission : 3 active nodes (mode M_1)

- $\alpha = \beta = 3$



- Weighting matrices

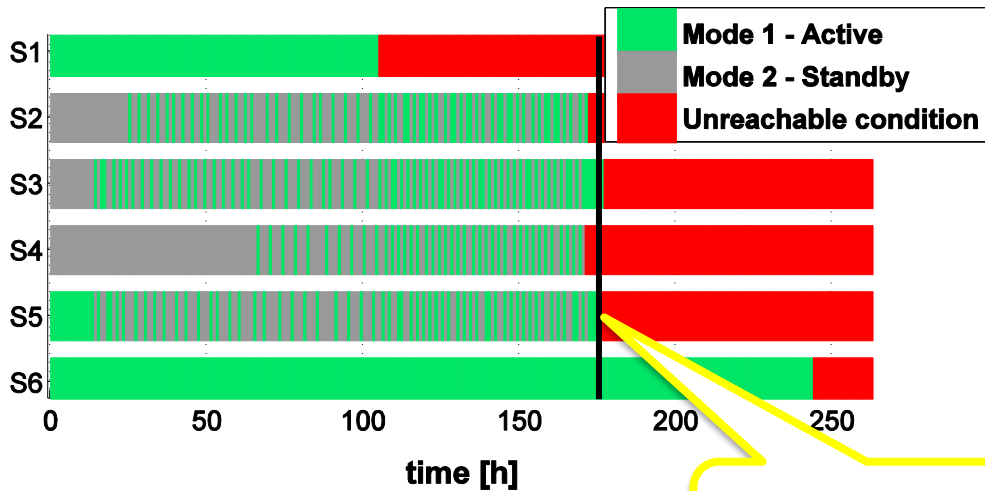
- $Q = \left(\text{diag}\left(\frac{1}{x_1^{max}}, \dots, \frac{1}{x_6^{max}}\right) \right)^2$

- $R = B'_{cons} * B_{cons}$, where $B_{cons} = \text{diag}(b_{11}, b_{12}, \dots, b_{62})$

- Nodes characteristics (including harvesting availability) (values from datasheets)

Node	Consum. in mode M_1 , [mWh]	Consum. in mode M_2 , [mWh]	Nom. bat. capacity, X_i^{max} , [mWh]	Harvesting availability E_i , [mWh]	Energy coef. [1]	Harvesting period, per 24 hours
1	36,593	5,846	3885 (type 1)	missing	1	--
2	36,482	6,031	3885 (type 1)	missing	0,8	--
3	34,854	6,105	3885 (type 1)	77,7	0,9	7h-12h
4	36,482	6,301	3515 (type 2)	missing	0,7	--
5	36,556	6,105	3515 (type 2)	99,9	1	13h-18h
6	33,041	5,735	8510 (type 3)	missing	1	--

Simulation results without harvesting



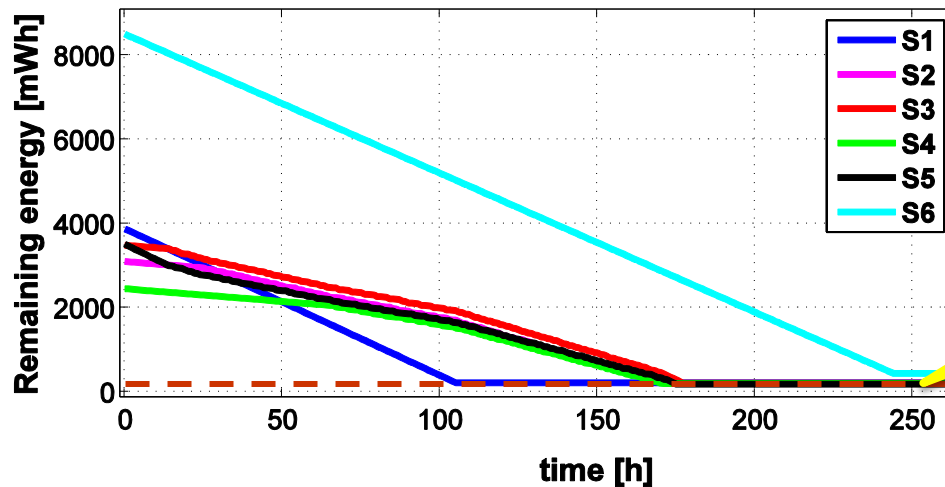
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Large number of switches

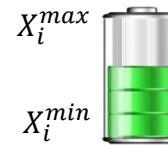
WSN lifespan = 175 hours

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WSN lifespan with basic scheme = 128 hours

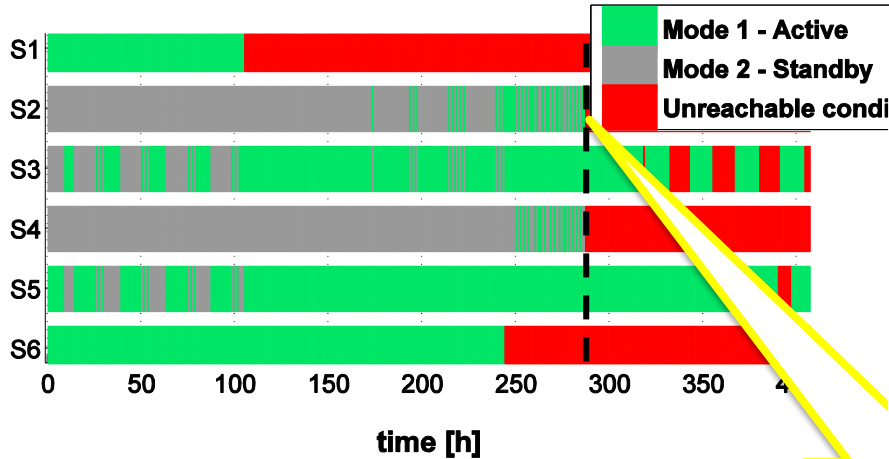


Constraint is fulfilled



$$0 < X_i^{min} \leq x_i \leq X_i^{max}$$

Simulation results with harvesting

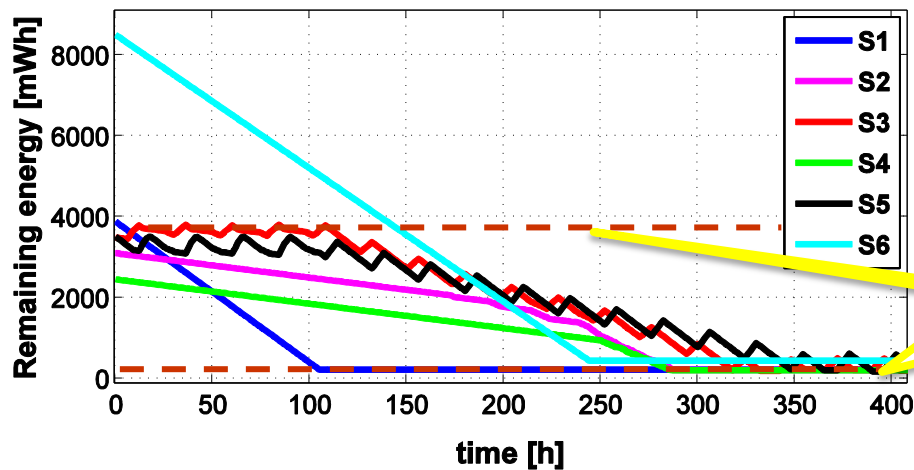


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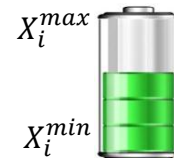
Large number of switches

WSN lifespan = 287 hours

WSN lifespan with basic scheme = 192 hours



Constraint is fulfilled



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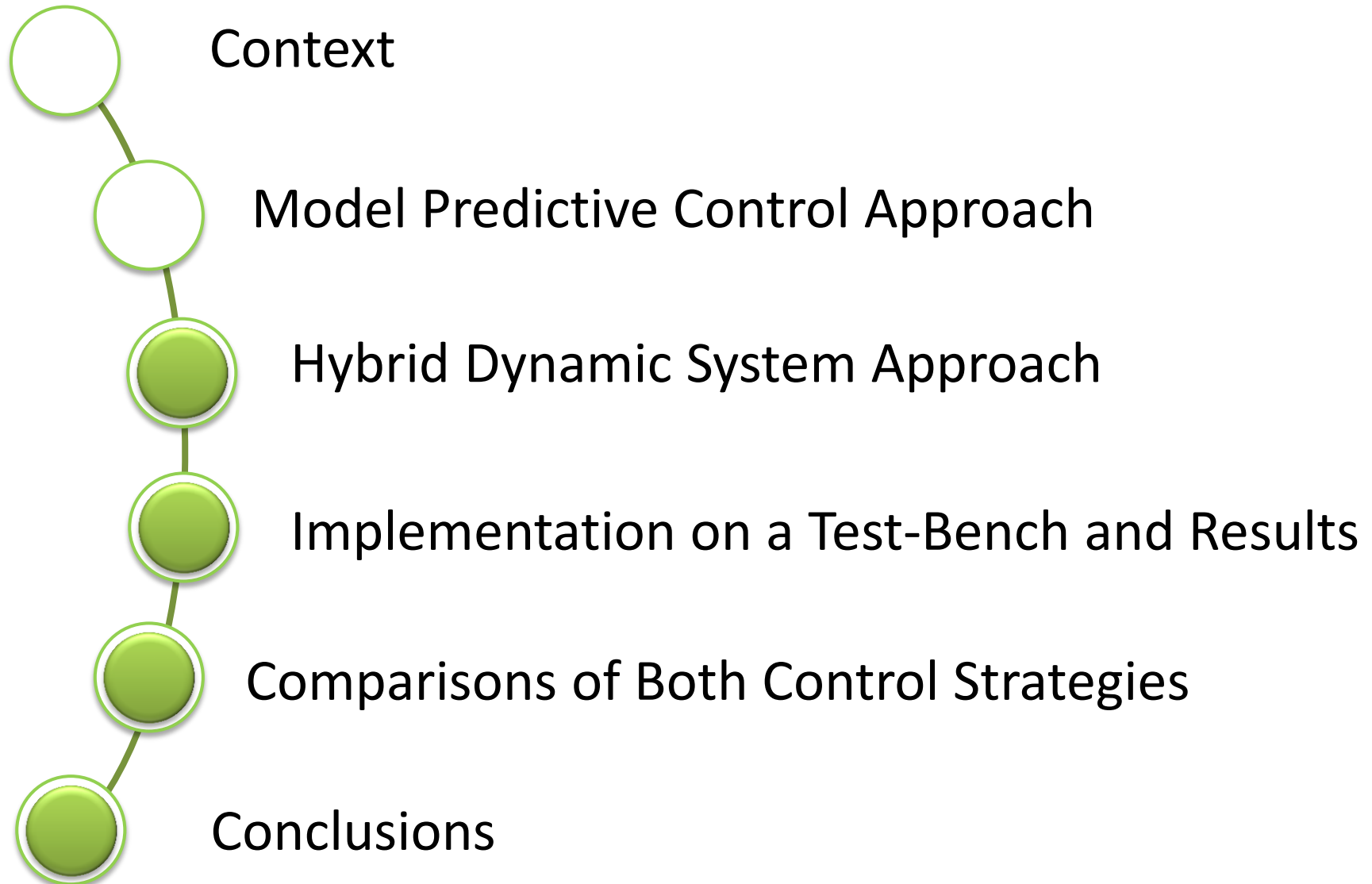
Conclusion on the MPC Approach

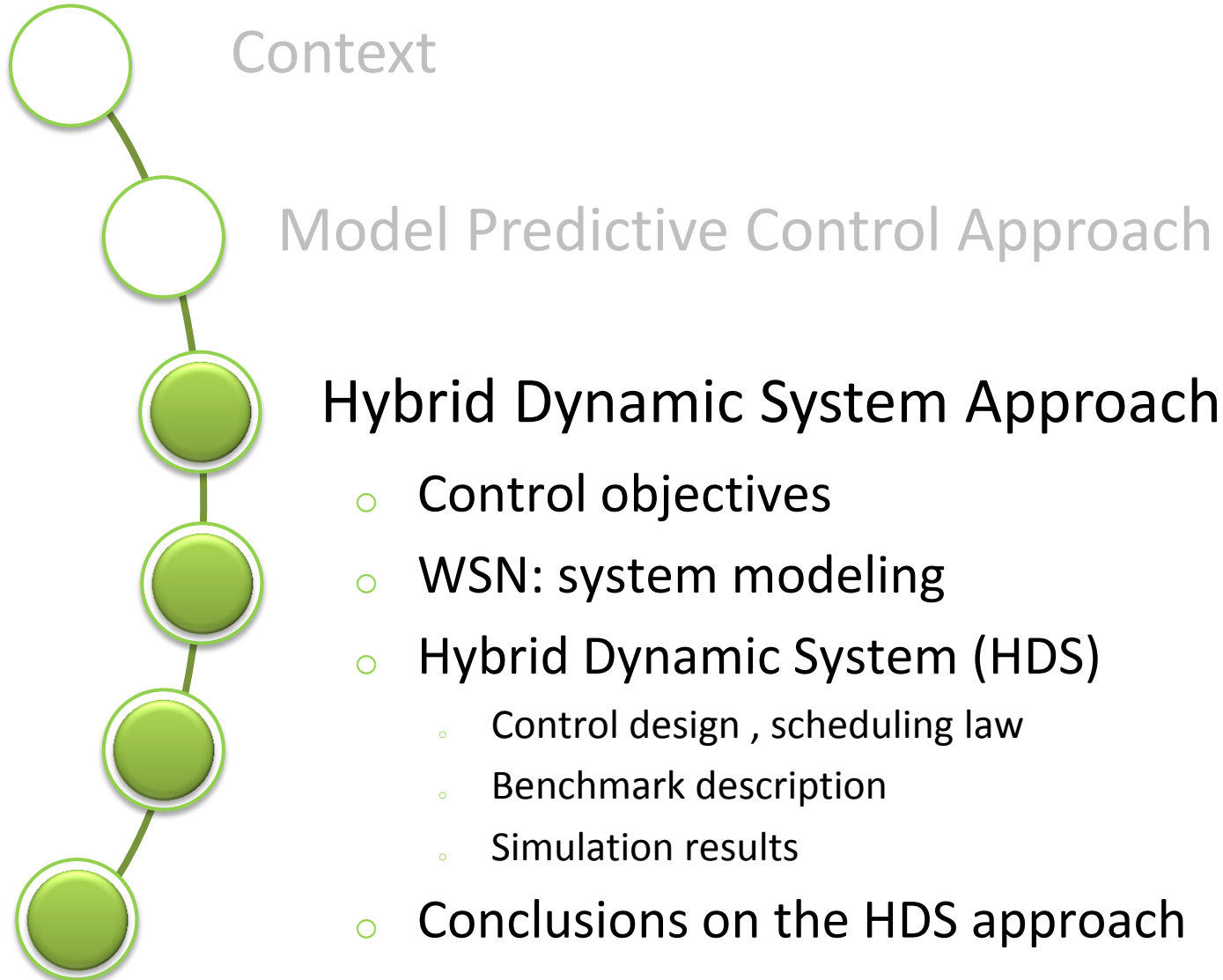
- 😊 **Lifespan increase** up to 27% (without harvesting) and 33% (with harvesting) when **compared to basic scheme**
- 😊 Constraints respected
- 😞 Large number of switches
 - => Properly take into account the cost of the switches
- 😞 Problem solved with MIQP
 - => Complexity (extra energy consumption)

- 😊 MILP problem formulation

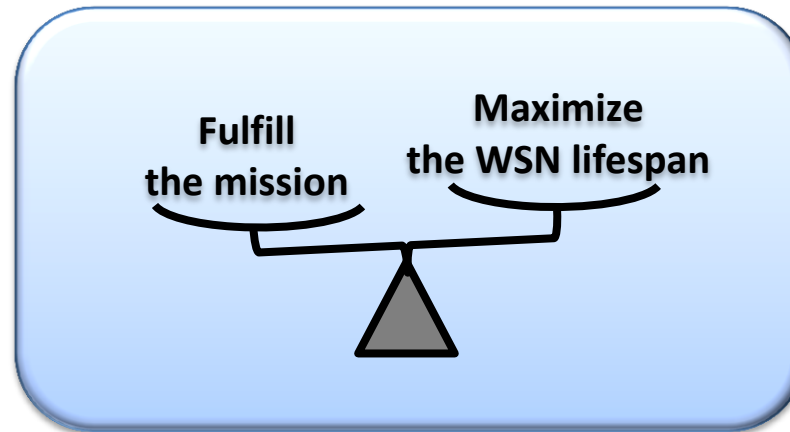
Hybrid Dynamic System (HDS) approach

- => Naturally introduces jumps between systems of different structures
- => Cost of switches naturally taken into account



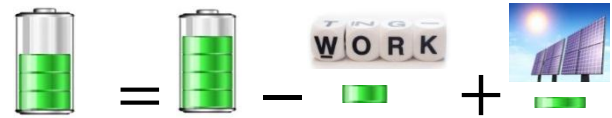


- Same as for the MPC strategy



— MPC (discrete time model)

- B_i and E_i are the energy (J, Wh)



$$x_i(k+1) = x_i(k) - B_i \cdot u_i(k) + E_i \cdot w_i(k)$$

$$y_i(k) = x_i(k) \text{ (measure)}$$

■ Node i : energy consumption model

■ HDS (**hybrid** model)

- *Flow* (continuous time) *dynamics*

- B_i and E_i : **power (W)**

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_i(t) = -B_i \cdot u_i(t) + E_i \cdot w_i(t) \\ y_i = \alpha_i(t) \cdot x_i(t) \\ \dot{u}_i(t) = \mathbf{0}^m \end{cases}$$

- *Jump dynamics* (**2 nodes swap their role**)

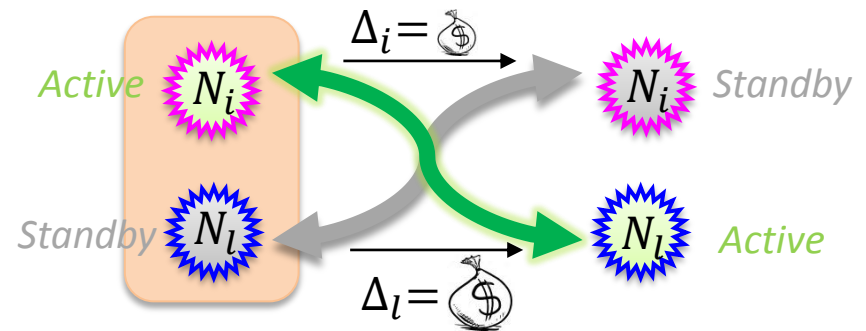
Pairwise jump rule for two nodes i and l

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_i^+ \\ x_l^+ \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_i - (u_i^+)^T \Delta_i u_i \\ x_l - (u_l^+)^T \Delta_l u_l \end{bmatrix} = g_x^{il}(x, u)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_i^+ \\ u_l^+ \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_l \\ u_i \end{bmatrix} = g_u^{il}(x, u)$$

With the **switching consumption matrix** Δ_i

$$\Delta_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & \delta_i^{m \rightarrow 1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \delta_i^{1 \rightarrow m} & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



■ HDS

■ Flow dynamics

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_i(t) = -B_i \cdot u_i(t) + E_i \cdot w_i(t) \\ y_i = \alpha_i(t) \cdot x_i(t) & \text{- measure} \\ \dot{u}_i(t) = \mathbf{0}^m \end{cases}$$

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■ Constraints

1. **Binary control** (at time t) $u_i \in \{0,1\}^m$
2. **Node work in a unique mode** at time t
3. **Mission** definition for mode M_h $\sum_{i=1}^n u_i^T e_h = d_h$
4. **Bounded capacity** of the battery $0 < X_i^{min} \leq x_i \leq X_i^{max}$

Compute $u_i(t)$ such that lifespan maximized

Lifespan: $\max \sum_{\text{all nodes}} \frac{x_i + E_i w_i - X_i^{min}}{B_i u_i}$

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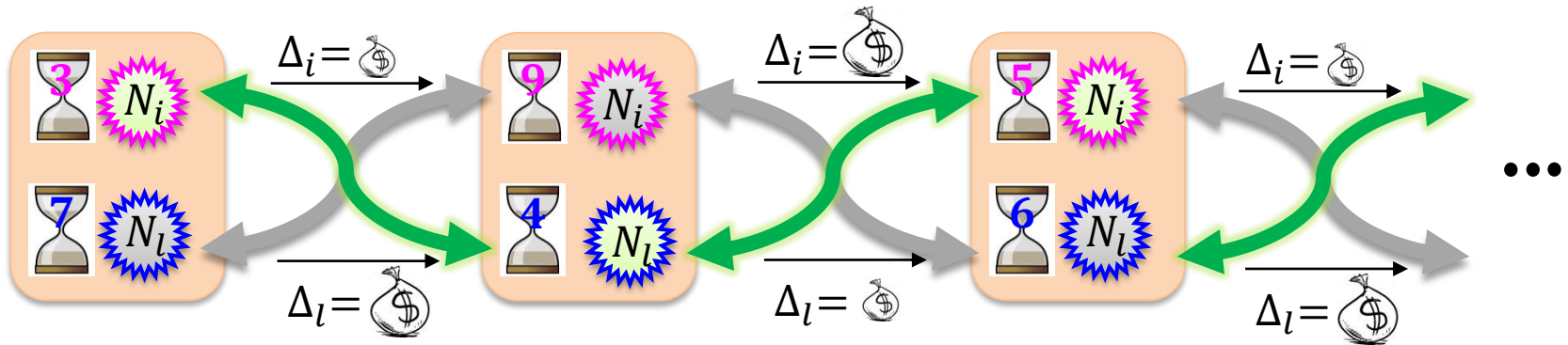
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Lifespan: $\max \sum_{\text{all nodes}} \frac{y_i - X_i^{min}}{B_i u_i}$

- Compute $u_i(k) \Rightarrow$ when do nodes i and l need to swap their role?
 - Lifespan of the solution (WSN lifespan) expressed by a **cost function**

$$J_{il}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) := \min_{k=i,l;k:u_k \neq 0^m} \frac{y_k - X_k^{min}}{B_k u_k}$$

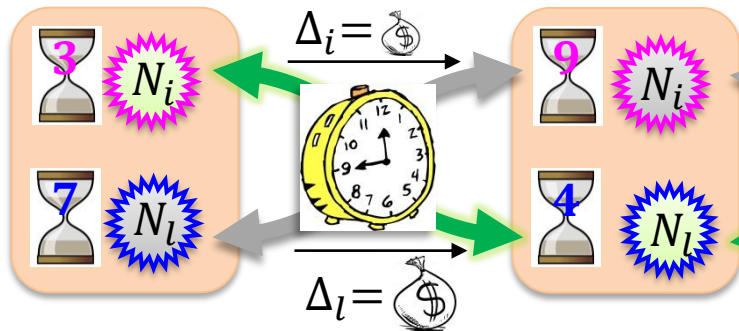
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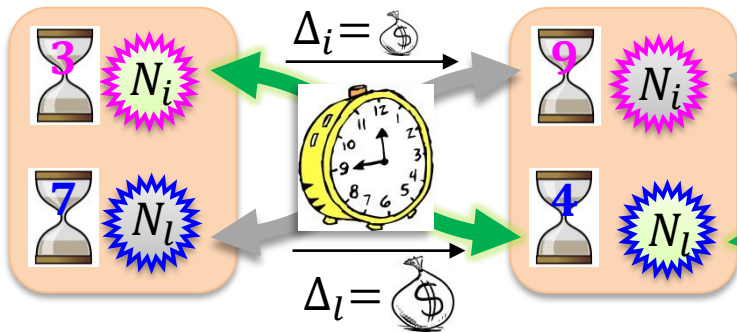


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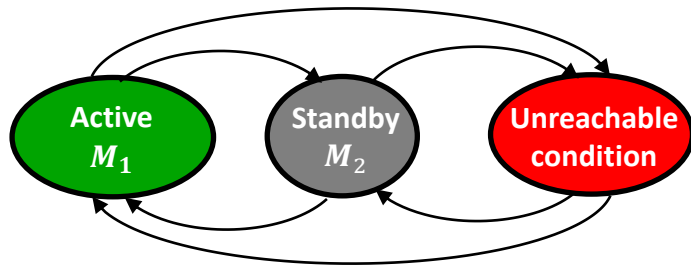
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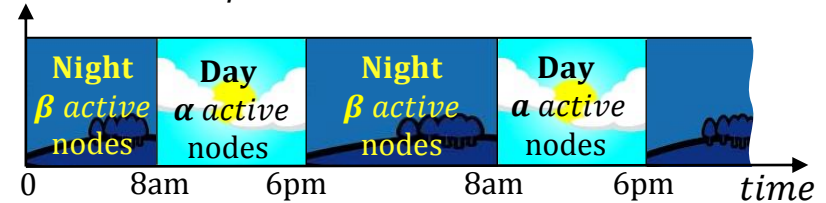
Same benchmark as for MPC

- 6 sensor nodes
- 3 states:
 - 2 functioning modes
 - Unreachable condition



Mission : 3 active nodes (in mode M_1)

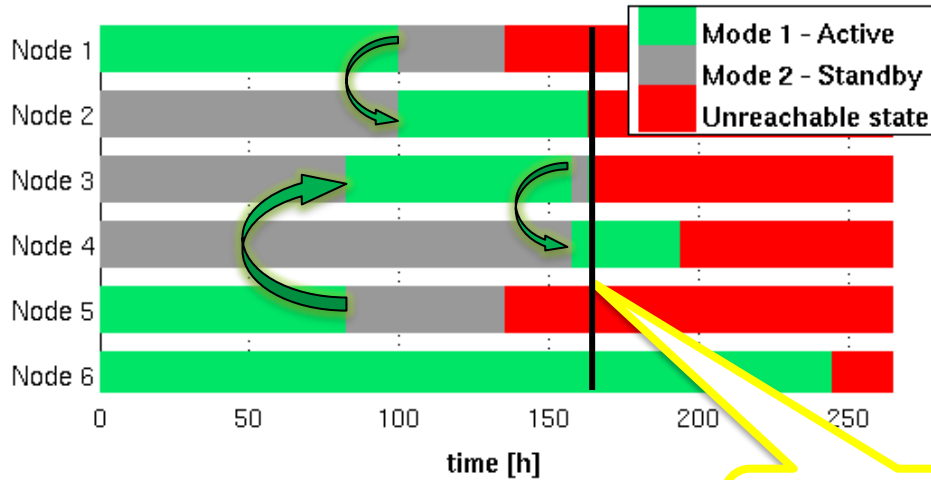
■ $\alpha = \beta = 3$



Nodes characteristics (including harvesting availability)

Node	Consum. in mode M_1 , [mW]	Consum. in mode M_2 , [mW]	Nom. bat. capacity, X_i^{max} , [mWh]	Harvesting availability E_i , [mW]	Energy coef. [1]	Harvesting period, per 24 hours
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Simulation results without harvesting



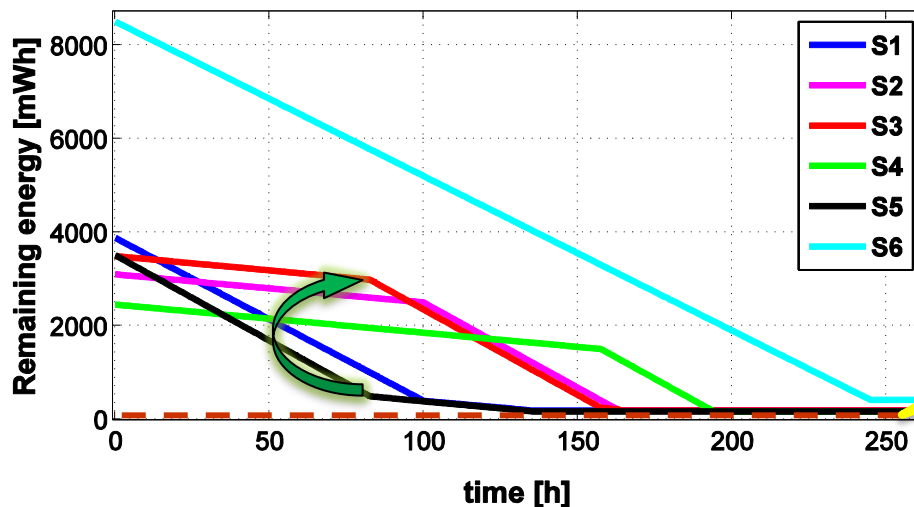
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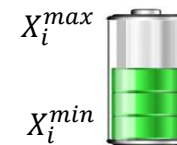
WSN lifespan = 164 hours

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WSN lifespan with basic scheme = 128 hours

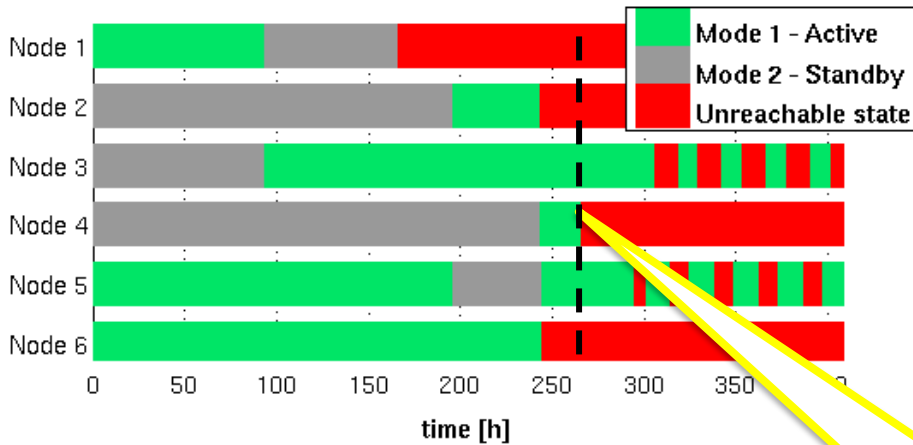


Constraint is respected



$$0 < X_i^{min} \leq x_i \leq X_i^{max}$$

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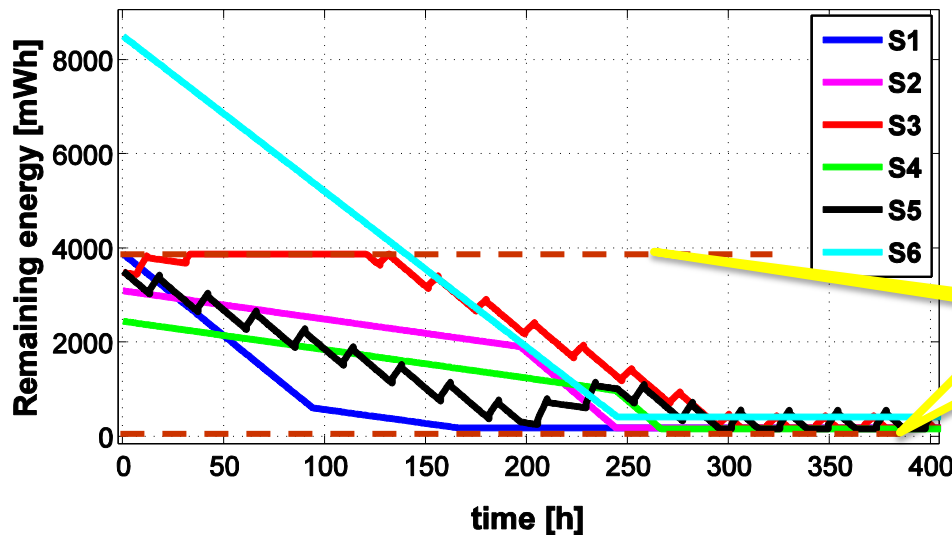
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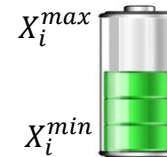
WSN lifespan = 266 hours

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WSN lifespan with basic scheme = 192 hours



Constraint is respected

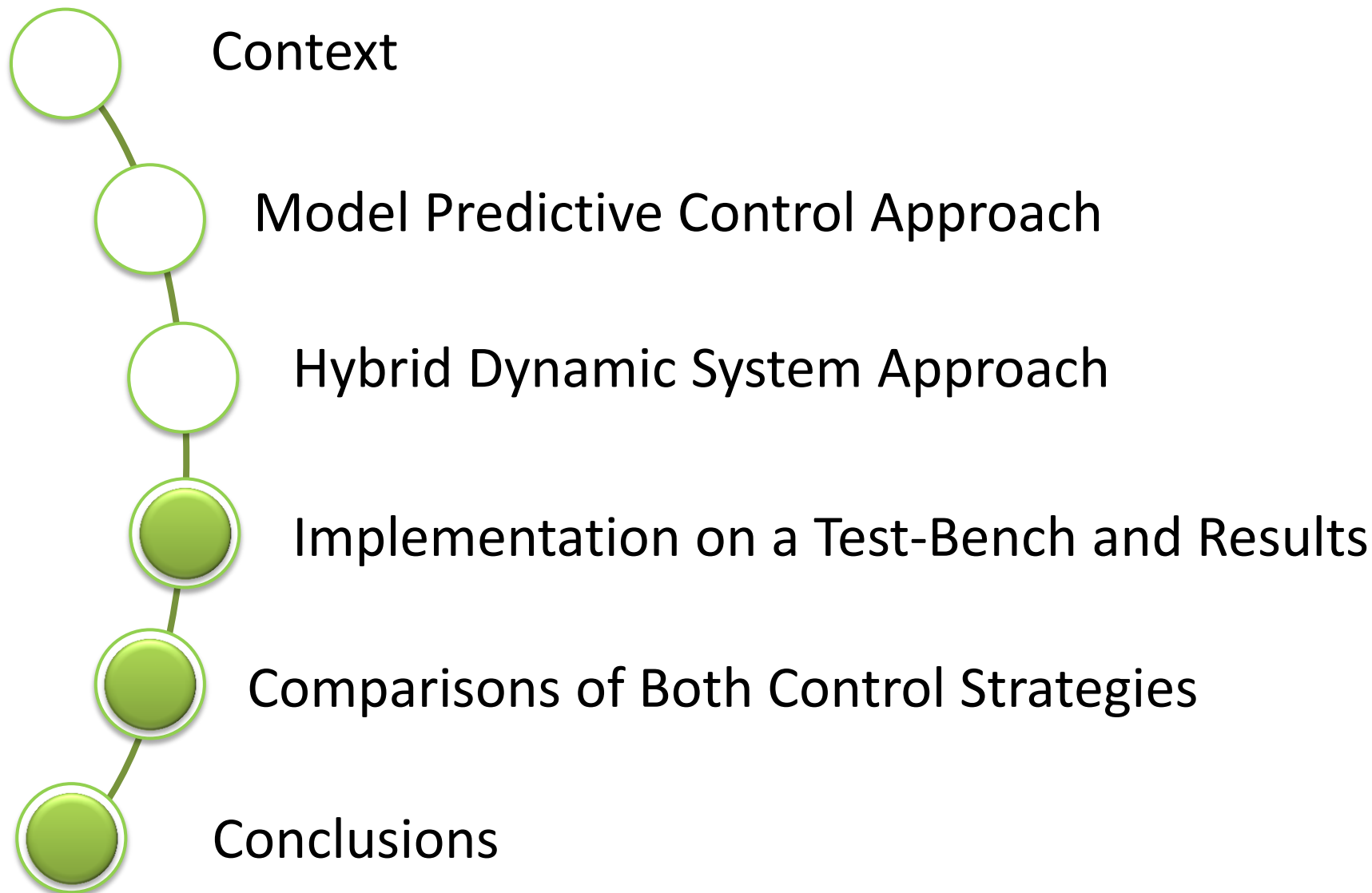


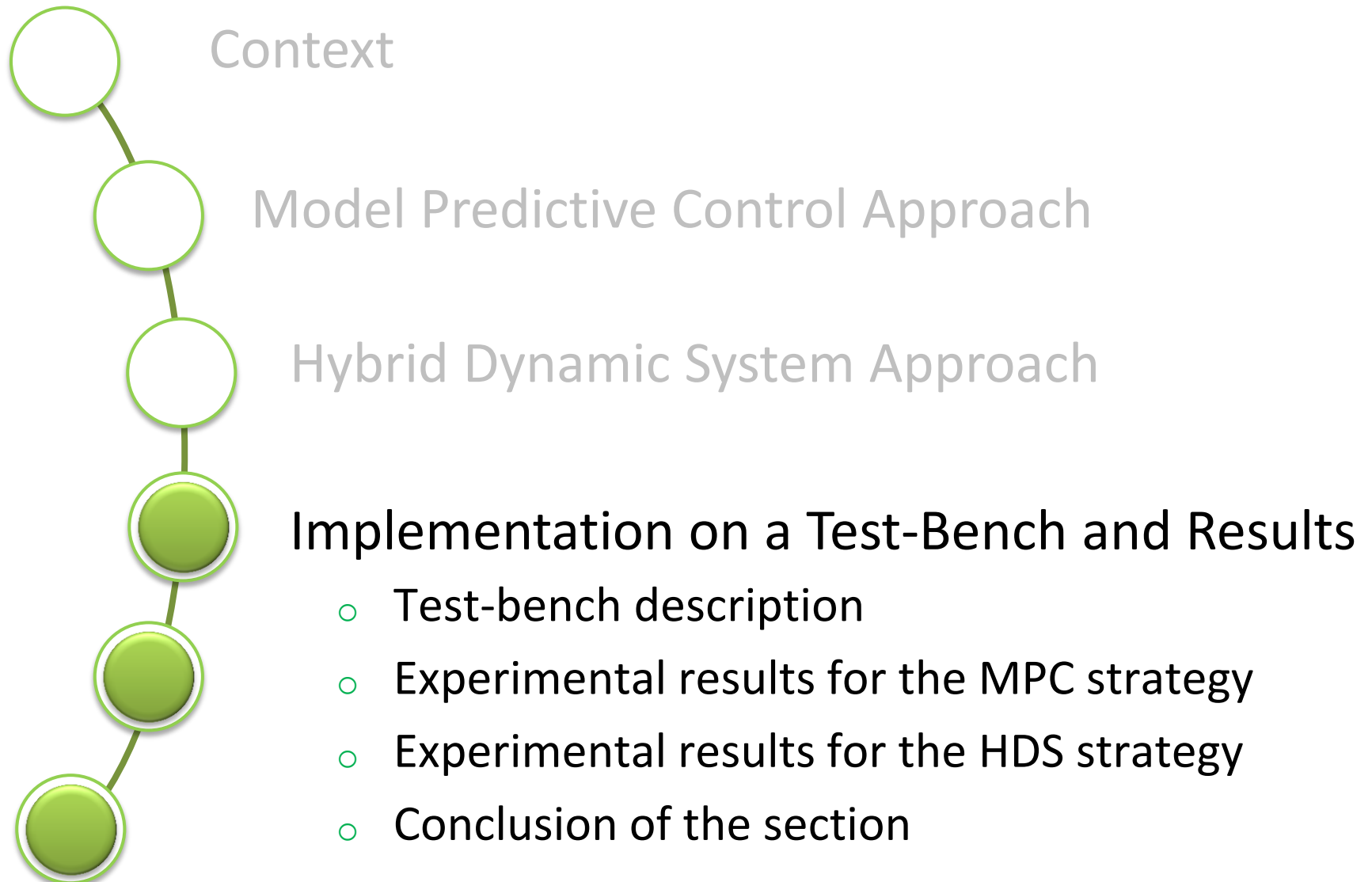
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Conclusion on the HDS approach

- 😊 **Lifespan increase** up to 22% (without harvesting) and 28% (with harvesting) when **compared to basic scheme**
- 😊 **Constraints** respected
- 😊 Very small number of switches
- 😊 Take into account the **cost of the switches**
=> Promising solution

- 😞 Lifespan decrease up to 7% when compared to MPC strategy
=> Switching cost





■ Benchmark

- Platform **OpenPicus** (FLYPORT Wi-Fi 802.11G with 16 Bit Processor PIC24FJ256) [1]
- Temperature & humidity sensors (Aosong DHT11) [2]
- Li-polymer rechargeable batteries [3]
- Router Wi-Fi
- Without harvesting systems

■ Deployed in an “open-space” office

- More information than required at the application level of the WSN



[1] <http://www.openpicus.com/>

[2] <http://www.aosong.com/en/products/details.asp?id=109>

[3] www.farnell.com/datasheets/1666650.pdf and [1666648.pdf](http://www.farnell.com/datasheets/1666648.pdf)

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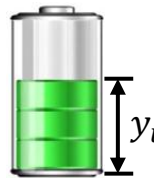


Control algorithm
written in Python

Middleware LINC:

- Node synchronization
- Data management

Measurement of
the remaining energy y_i ?
Estimation !

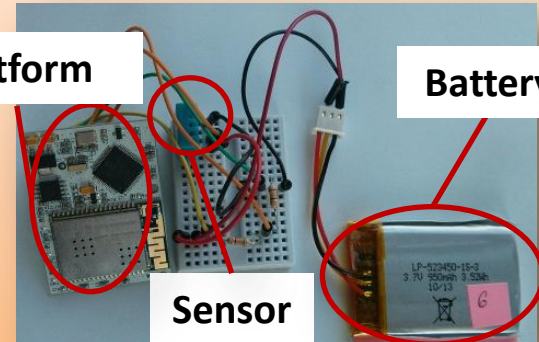


Sensor node

Platform

Battery

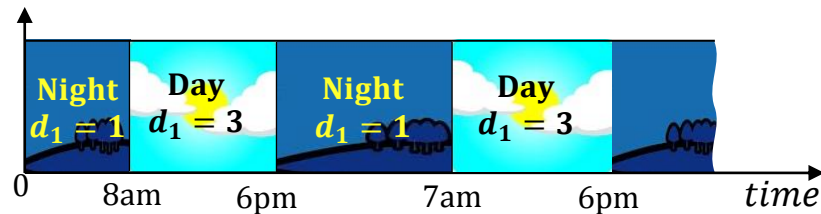
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- Characteristics of nodes (from datasheet and lab. measurements)

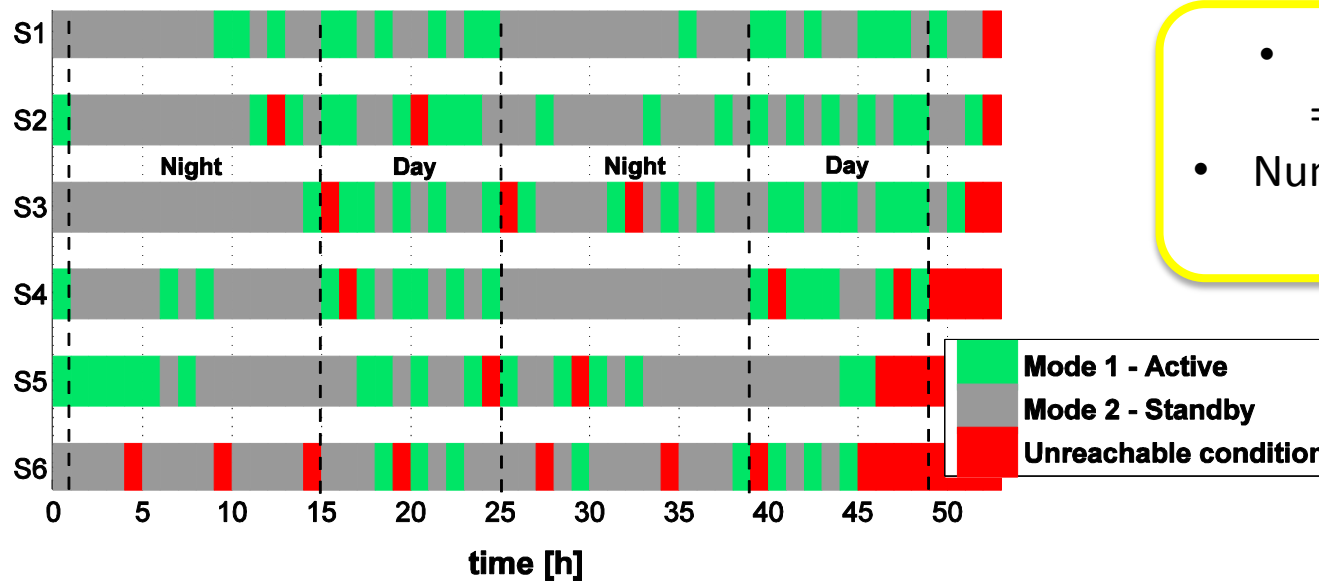
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- **Dynamic Mission** : 3 (or 1) *active* nodes (in mode M_1)

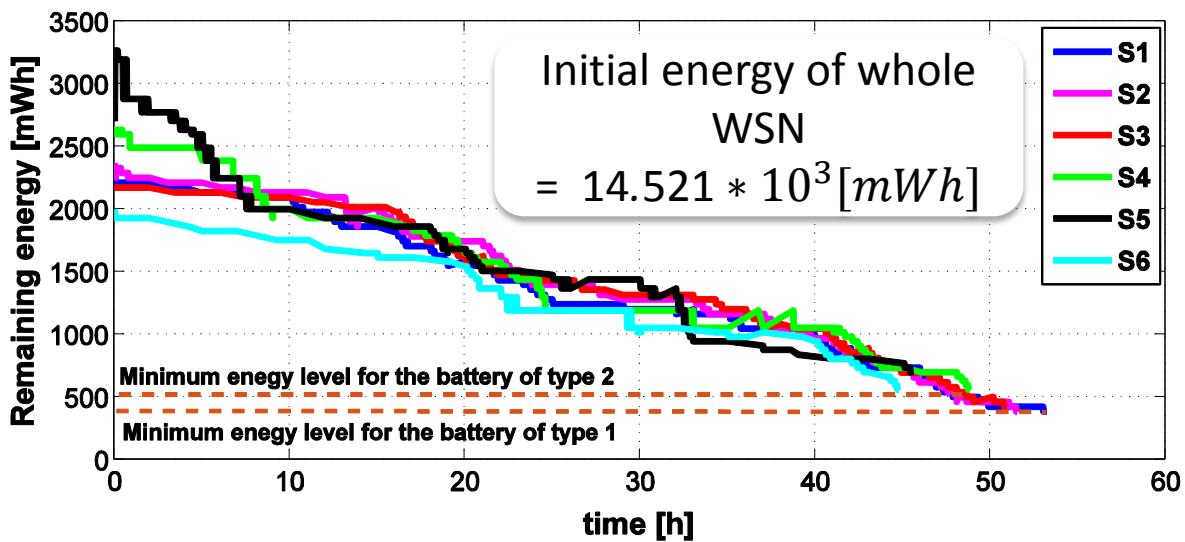


- Experiments start 5 p.m.
- Radio environment not under control

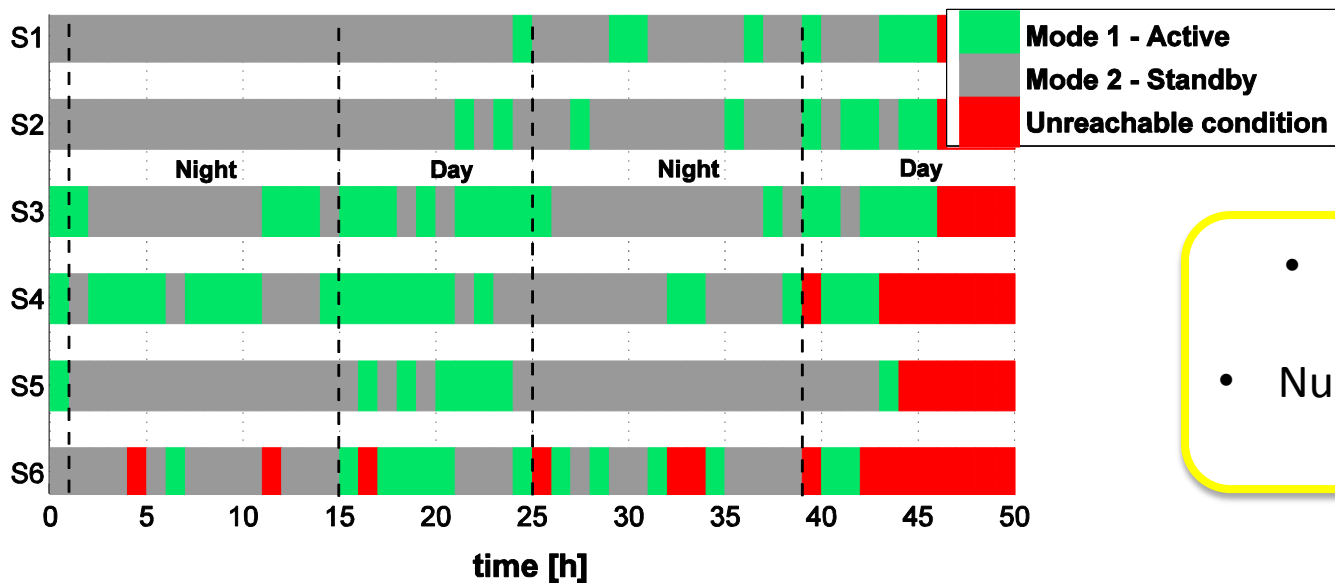
Experimental results for the MPC strategy



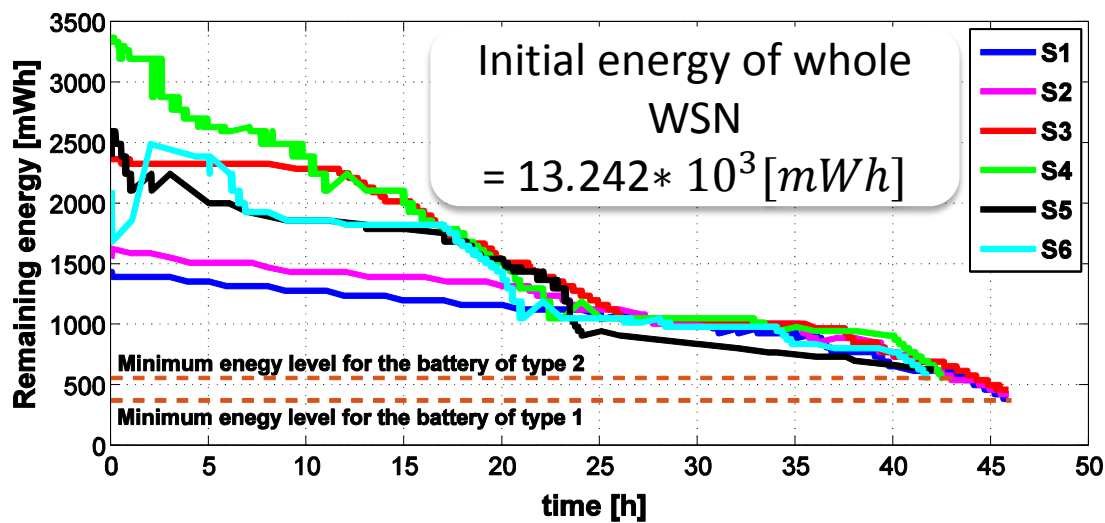
- WSN lifespan = 53 hours
- Number of switches ≈ 100



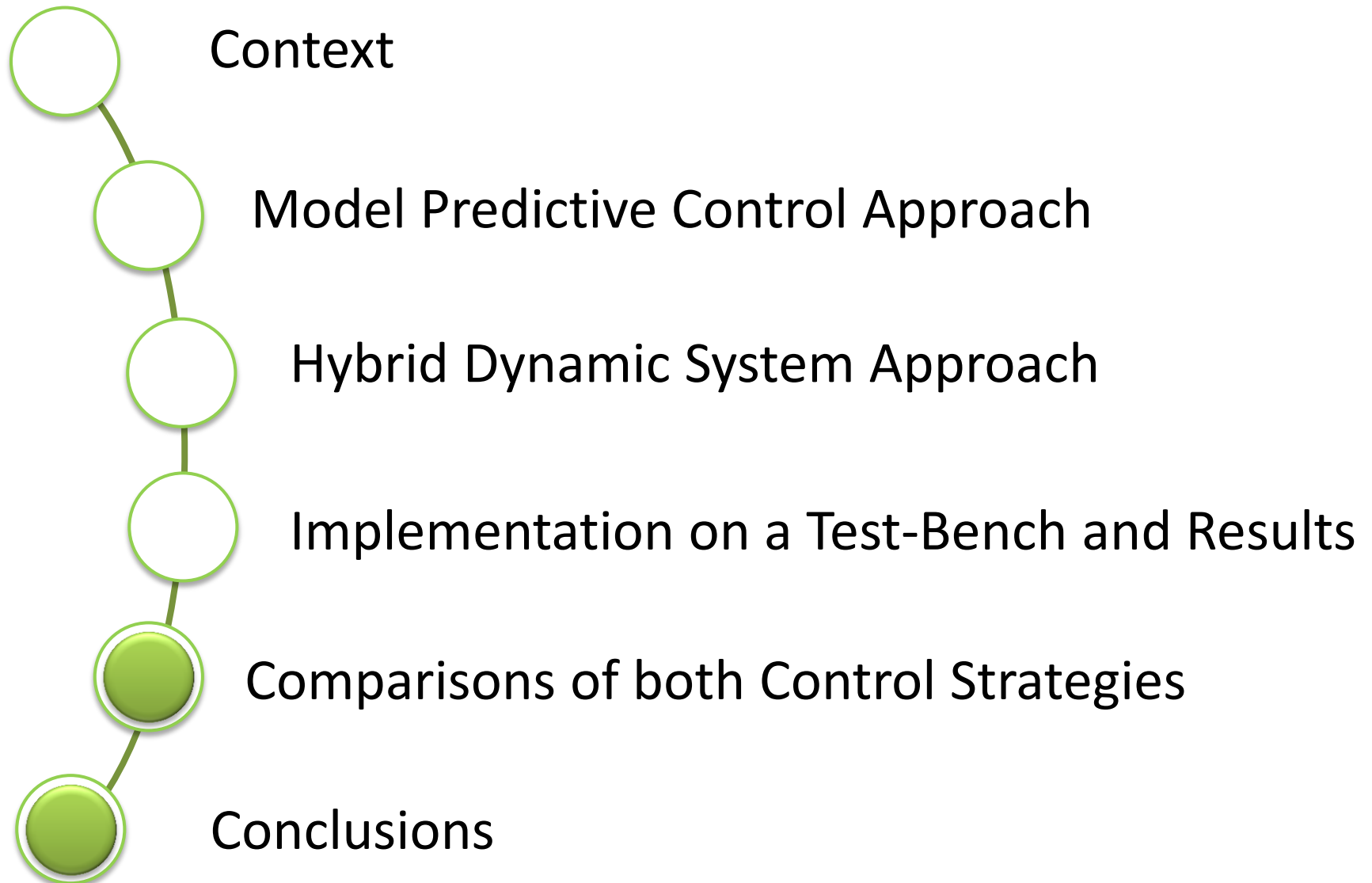
Experimental results for the HDS strategy



- WSN lifespan = 46 hours
- Number of switches ≈ 60

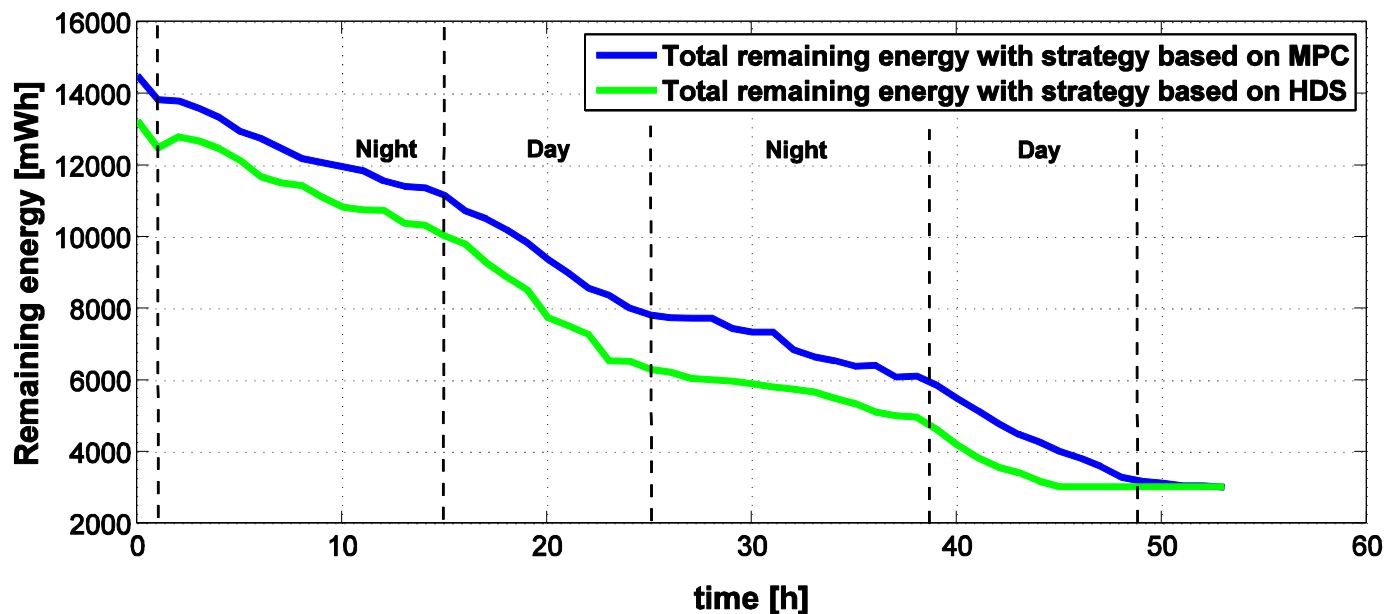


- 😊 Control strategies are validated on a real-life test-bench
=> Mission is fulfilled
- 😐 Number of switches is similar
- 😐 Different radio environment for both experiments

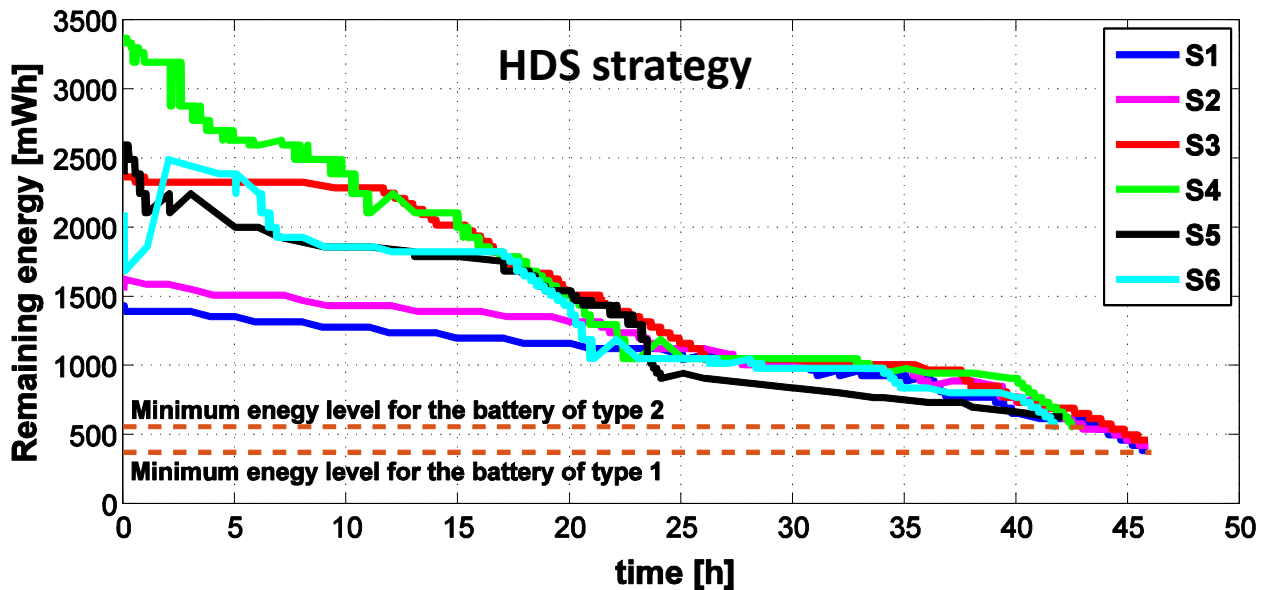
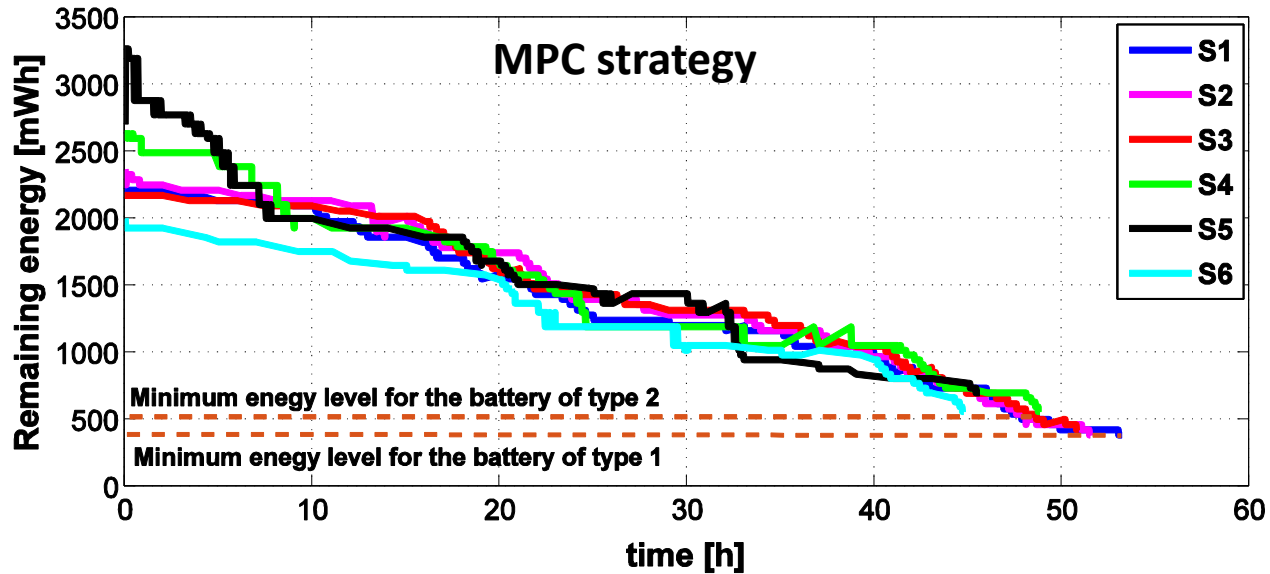


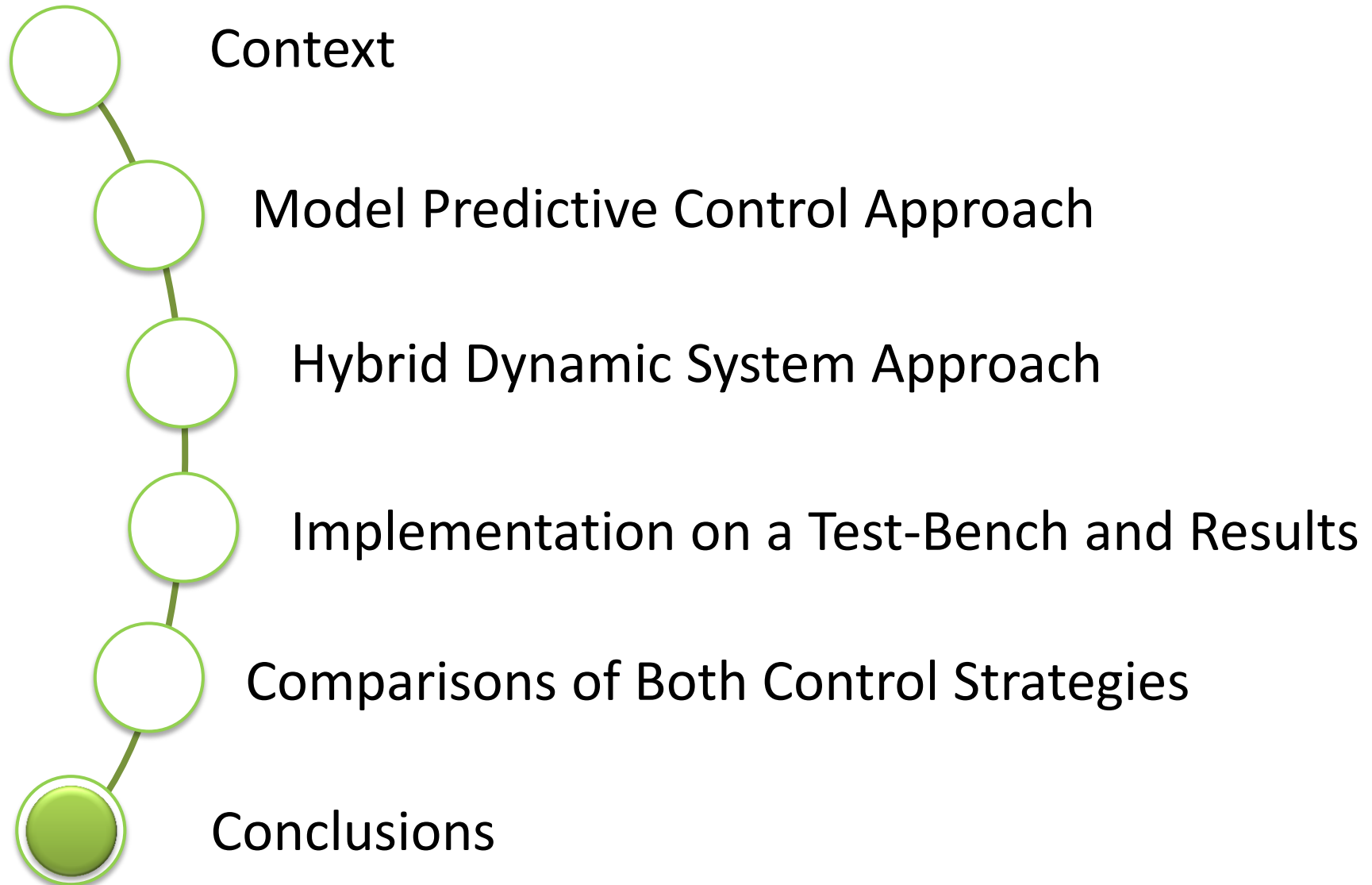
Comparisons of Both Control Strategies

Strategy	WSN lifespan, [hours]	Initial energy in the whole WSN, [mWh]	Final energy in the whole WSN, [mWh]
MPC	53 (100%)	$14.521 * 10^3$ (100%)	$3.032 * 10^3$
HDS	46 (86,8%)	$13.242 * 10^3$ (91,2%)	$3.039 * 10^3$

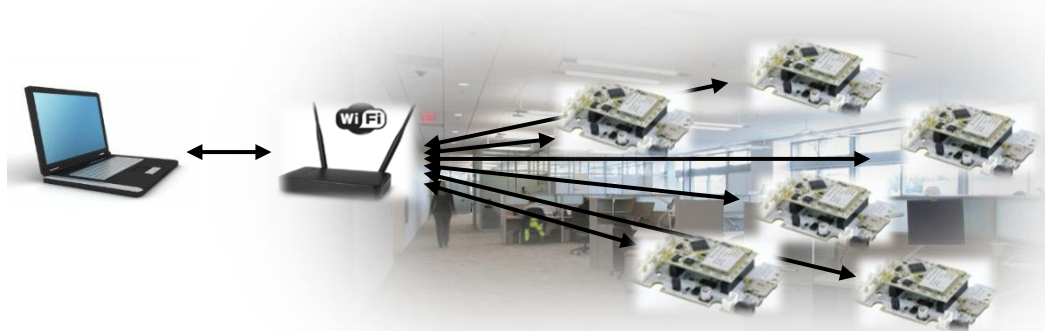


Remaining energy evolution





- Control strategies for WSN energy management are proposed (via MPC and HDS)
 - WSN lifespan **extended by >20%** when compared to basic scheme
- Implementation on a real test-bench is performed
 - Validation of the control strategies
 - More experiments to be done





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