

Motivation & Goal

Motivations

- Mobile devices operate under heavy constraints on power & computation capabilities.
- Mobile devices are increasingly used in video streaming applications.

Goals

- Study and evaluate cross-layer (application, middleware, OS, hardware) adaptation techniques for performance vs. quality vs. power tradeoffs for mobile handheld devices.
- Need to develop techniques and interfaces that facilitate effective communication between the layers.

Applications

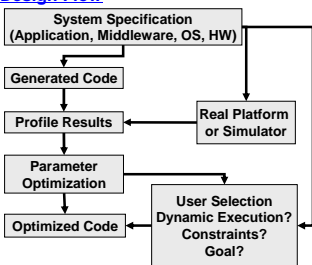
- Entertainment (games, video-streaming, video-conferencing, cell-phones, etc.)
- Wearable computers, scientific explorations
- Monitoring and defense applications

Application Profiling for Power-Aware Transcoding

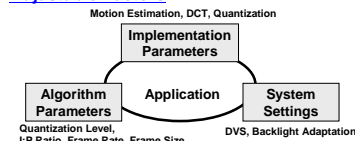
Intuition

➤ Profiling helps us understanding the power/quality/performance impacts of various application parameters and optimizing the system.

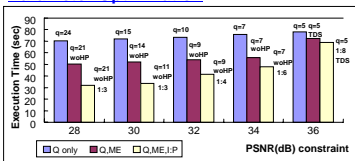
Design Flow



Adjustable Factors



Parameter Optimization



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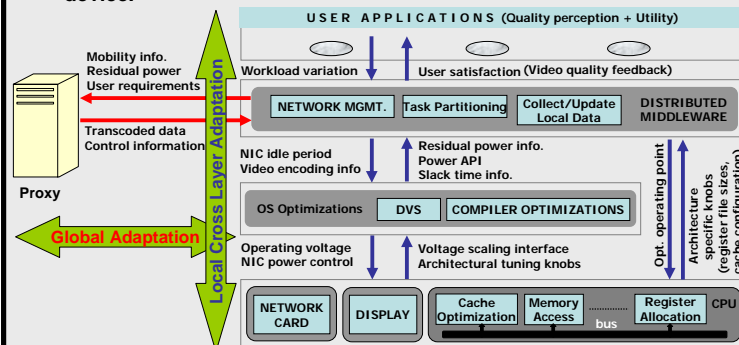
Approach: Cross-Layer Optimization

Limitations of Current Approaches

- Limited coordination between the different system layers
 - Address concerns at one or two system layers
 - Make assumptions about adaptations at other system layers
- Device Centric
 - Cannot exploit global system knowledge
 - Reactive adaptations
- Lack of generalized framework

Our Approaches

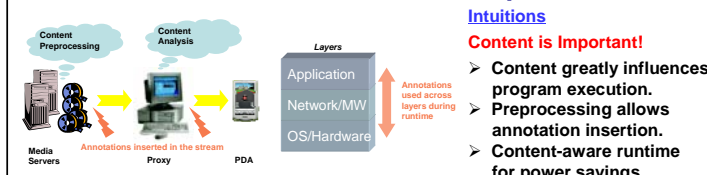
- Cross-layer coordination directed by a distributed middleware framework can effectively address the above limitations.
- Build power-aware distributed embedded system framework that can
 - Exploit global changes (e.g., network congestion, system loads, mobility patterns, location information).
 - Distribute local information (e.g., device mobility, residual power) for improved global adaptations.
 - Coordinate power management strategies at different layers.
 - Maximize the utility (application QoS, power saving) of a mobile device.



A Globally Coordinated Approach in FORGE:
Tradeoffs between power, performance, QoS across various computational layers

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Content Annotation for Power Optimization



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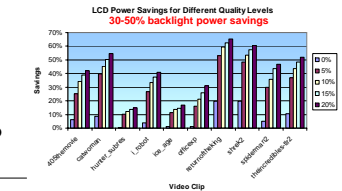
- Content is Important!
- Content greatly influences program execution.
- Preprocessing allows annotation insertion.
- Content-aware runtime for power savings

A content-aware framework benefits all abstraction layers, which now perform their optimizations cognizant of the nature and patterns in the workload.

Case Study

Backlight Power Minimization

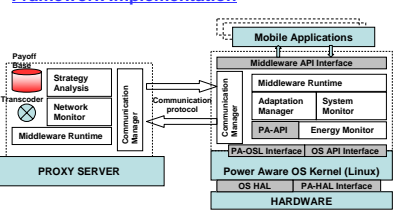
- Annotations capture brightness variation in video and drive backlight adjustment at runtime while compensating the displayed image to maintain quality.



<http://forge.ics.ucl.edu/content-aware>

DYNAMO: A Middleware Framework for Cross-Layer Optimization

Framework Implementation



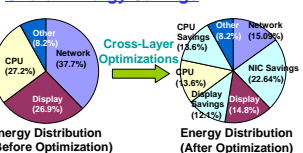
Approaches

- Applications & middleware interact with power-aware OS/hardware through power-aware APIs (PA-APIs).
- Middleware-level communication manager transfers state and control information between device and proxy.
- Integrated optimizations (energy savings)

Adaptations Using DYNAMO

- Energy-aware application adaptation
- Power management of NIC, LCD, CPU
- Adaptive task partitioning

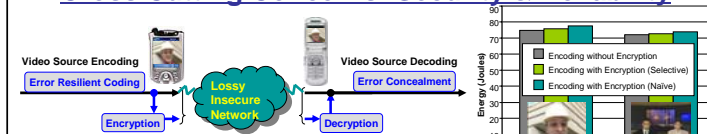
Overall Energy Savings



Total energy savings ~ 48% (for a medium action video clip called Foreman)

<http://dynamo.ics.ucl.edu>

Cross Cutting Concerns: Security & Reliability



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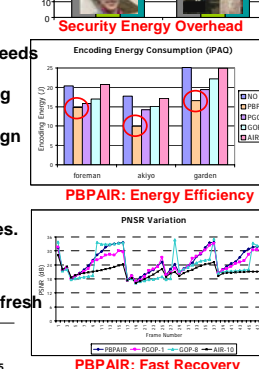
- High quality mobile multimedia communication needs
 - Secure transmission → Encryption
 - Lossless transmission → Error-resilient coding
- Mobile handheld devices have
 - Battery life constraint → Energy efficient design

Approach

Our major concern is exploiting trade-offs between security level, error resiliency, encoding efficiency and energy consumption in mobile handheld devices.

How?

- Evaluate video encryption schemes w.r.t. energy.
- PBPAIR: Probability Based Power Aware Intra Refresh



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