

Welcome to SENG 371

Software Evolution Spring 2013

A Core Course of the BEng Program

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Announcements

- Course website
 - <http://www.engr.uvic.ca/~seng371>
 - Lecture notes posted
- Labs this week
 - UML tools
 - Available in the lab
 - No need to bring your laptops or install software
- Assignment I
 - Due Mon, Feb 4 (extension)**
 - Cite your sources
 - Part I — Useful definitions
 - Part II — Growing systems in emergent organizations
 - Part III — Ultra large scale systems (ULS)

Job Opportunity

<http://registrar.uvic.ca/safa/documents/XMENG2.pdf>

WORK STUDY PROGRAM JOB POSTING	
JOB TITLE:	MEN02 - Website Developer
DEPARTMENT NAME:	Mechanical Engineering
CONTACT NAME:	Stephania Wilentz (swilentz@uvic.ca) or Brian Christie (brian4@uvic.ca)
JOB DESCRIPTION:	We create and maintain a website containing information about regenerative medicine researchers in B.C.
QUALIFICATIONS:	Proficient in HTML and previous experience in working with and maintaining websites.
JOB LOCATION ON-CAMPUS:	Remote
WORK STUDY WAGE:	\$11.00
HOURS AVAILABLE:	100
HOW TO APPLY:	Email C.V., links to previous work and list of references to: Dr. Wilentz (swilentz@uvic.ca)

Applicants must be eligible for Work Study program. For details go to <http://registrar.uvic.ca/safa/workstudyprogram/faq/index.html>

Reading assignments

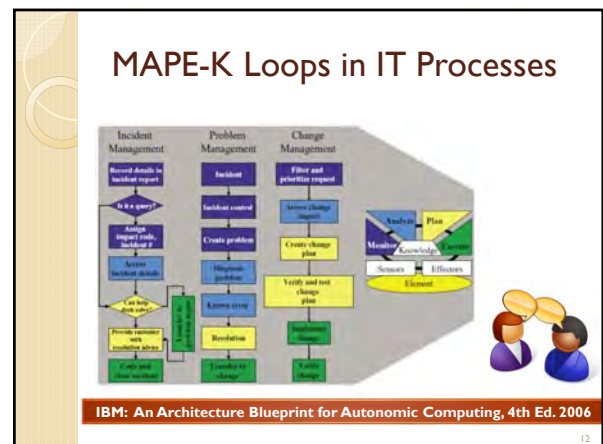
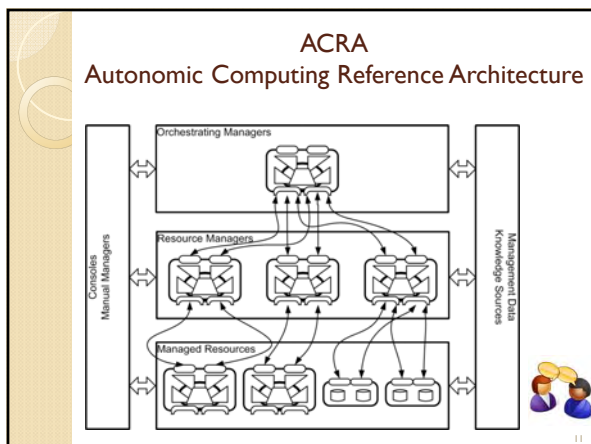
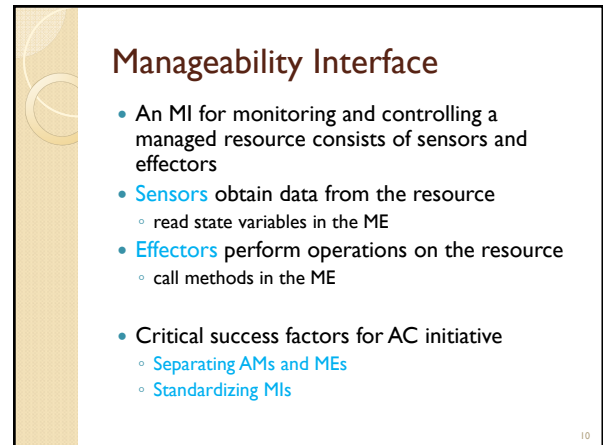
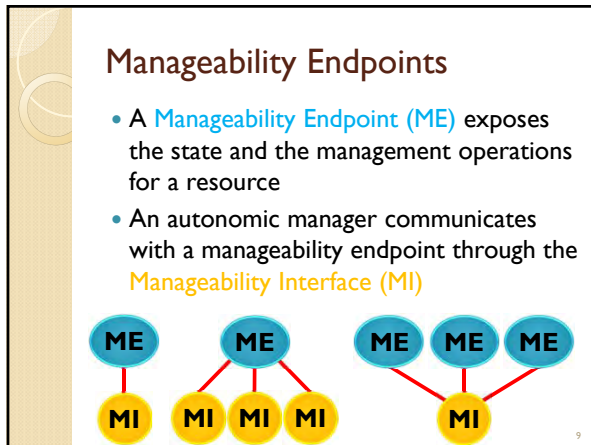
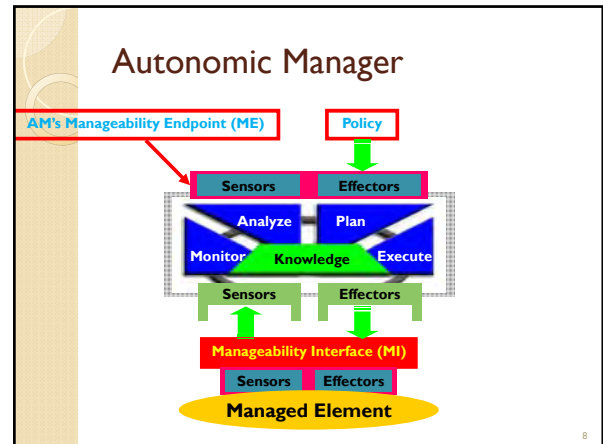
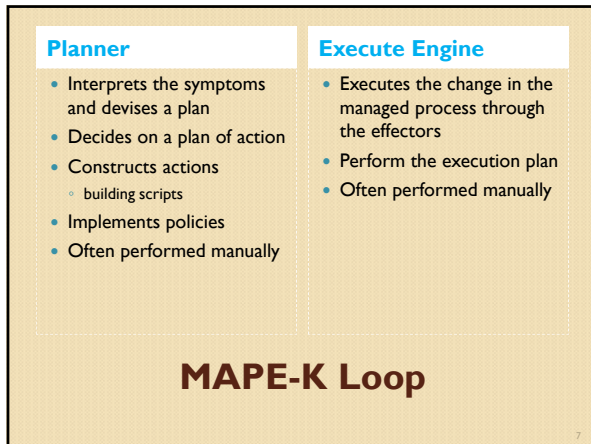
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- Truex, Baskerville, Klein: Growing Systems in Emergent Organizations. Communications of the ACM, 42(8):117-123 (1999). <http://portal.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=310930.310984&coll=GUIDE&dl=GUIDE&ACM&CFID=2240896&CFTOKEN=98671917>
- Northrop, et al.: Ultra-Large-Scale Systems, The Software Challenge of the Future. Technical Report, Software Engineering Institute, Carnegie Mellon University, 134 pages ISBN 0-9786956-0-7 (2006) <http://www.sei.cmu.edu/uls>

Autonomic Element

- Consists of an **Autonomic Manager (AM)** and an **Autonomic Element (AE)**
- Manager and managed element form a **level of indirection**
 - Spatially and temporally separate entities
 - Enterprise Service Bus

Monitor	Analyzer
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senses the managed process and its context Collects data from the managed resource Provides mechanisms to aggregate and filter incoming data stream Stores relevant and critical data in the knowledge base or repository for future reference. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compares event data against patterns in the knowledge base to diagnose symptoms and stores the symptoms Correlates incoming data with historical data and policies stored in repository Analyzes symptoms Predicts problems

MAPE-K Loop



No Shortage of Complexity Industry Conquest Solutions

HP	Adaptive enterprise using OpenView
IBM	Autonomic computing
EDS	Agile enterprise
Hitachi	Harmonious computing
Dell	Dynamic computing
MS	Dynamic systems initiative

Industry's efforts to emulate Nature's Gold Standard of virtualization software and complexity concealment

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Self-Adaptive Systems

Definition

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 - Assess its own behaviour
 - Observe its context or environment (i.e., anything observable)

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- Anticipated adaptation
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- Un-anticipated adaptation
 - The variation possibilities are recognized and computed at run-time
 - The decision which variant is best is computed using self-awareness and environmental context information
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Key Questions

- What aspects of the environment should a self-adaptive system monitor?
 - The system cannot monitor everything in the environment
 - What aspects of the environment are truly relevant?
- How should a self-adaptive system react if it detects changes in the environment?
 - Maintain high-level goals
 - Relax non-critical goals to allow the system a degree of flexibility
 - Goal trade-off analysis



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Key Questions

- What are the conditions that trigger adaptation?
- Response time
 - To address poor response times, a system might adapt itself by optimising resource utilisation
- Fault-tolerance
 - To recover from a subsystem or device failure
- Extension
 - To accommodate new functionality at run-time

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Key Questions

- Should the system be open-adaptive or closed-adaptive?
 - With open-adaptive systems, new behaviours can be introduced at run-time
 - With closed-adaptive systems, all adaptive behaviour is fixed at design-time; once running a closed system cannot be made to do new things that were unanticipated when it was designed
 - Anticipated versus un-anticipated adaptation
- What type of autonomy must be supported?
 - Fully autonomous systems make their own adaptation decisions and carry them out unaided
 - Human-in-the-loop systems require inputs from humans, if only to OK proposed changes
 - Semi-autonomic versus fully autonomous systems

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Key Questions

- Under what circumstances is adaptation cost-effective?
- The benefits gained from making a change must outweigh the costs associated with making the change
- Costs include:
 - Performance and memory overhead of monitoring system behaviour
 - Monitoring is necessary to make adaptation decisions
 - Memory may be limited on, particularly if adaptive software runs on embedded devices
 - Decision making—interpreting data gathered from monitoring may be computationally expensive
 - Executing the actions to actually change a system configuration
 - Changes involving physically distributed systems must be coordinated which itself incurs additional overhead

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Key Questions

- How often should adaptation be considered?
 - Policies range from continuous (proactive) adaptation to as-and-when necessary (reactive)
 - Adaptation can also be opportunistic—exploiting resources such as CPU time when it is not being used for other tasks
 - “Go green” adaptation
- What kind of information must be collected to make adaptation decisions
 - Data can be gathered continuously
 - This provides precise and up-to-date observations, but incurs relatively high cost
 - Data can be gathered less often with the resulting samples being approximations of environment activity; this approach imposes less overhead
 - Trust issues



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Major Drivers for Self-Adaptive Systems

- **Autonomic Computing:** self-managing systems
- **Ubiquitous Computing:** changing environments
 - Ubiquitous computing (ubicomp) is a post-desktop model of human-computer interaction in which information processing has been thoroughly integrated into everyday objects and activities.
 - As opposed to the desktop paradigm, in which a single user consciously engages a single device for a specialized purpose, someone “using” ubiquitous computing engages many computational devices and systems simultaneously, in the course of ordinary activities, and may not necessarily even be aware that they are doing so.
- This paradigm is also referred to as **pervasive computing, ambient intelligence, or everywhere.**



Ubiquitous Computing Wiki

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Useful Papers under Resources Course Web Site

- Ganek, A.G., Corbi, T.A.: The Dawning of the Autonomic Computing Era. IBM Systems Journal 42(1):5-18 (2003)
- Kephart, J.O., Chess, D.M.: The Vision of Autonomic Computing. IEEE Computer 36(1):41-50 (2003)
- Kluth, A.: Information Technology: Make It Simple. The Economist (2004)
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Class Participation Assignment

- Pick a self-managing scenario
- Define managed resources
- Define managing goals
- Define trade-off choices

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Presentation notes

- Rob, Anita, Jordan, George
 - S — Wireless Network
 - R — Hardware, routers, bandwidth, connection
 - G — Availability, security, connections speed, maintenance
 - T — Availability vs user base, availability vs. maintenance, availability vs. connections speed
- Brandon, Amanda, Romil
 - S — Backup over a network
 - R — Storage, network, CPU
 - G — Back ups on time, back up is verified, security, CPU available for other tasks
 - T — Time management/size, CPU management, CPU load, network load

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Presentation notes

- Justin, Allen, Mikko
 - S — Library
 - R — Books, Money, Computers, Staff
 - G — New books, more computers, More staff
 - T — Limited funds, limited space
- Y, Sam, Mack
 - S — Hospital
 - R — Staff, drugs, equipment, space
 - G — Maximize space efficiency, maximize staff, lower cost, raise standards
 - T — Money vs Staff, Time vs Cost

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Presentation notes

- David, Daniel, Brad, Ian
 - S — Cloud based webservice
 - R — Servers, Database, Load balancer
 - G — Maximize speed and availability, lower cost
 - T — Speed vs Availability (limit bandwidth of users), Speed vs Cost, Availability vs Cost
- Wes, Curtis, Jeremy, Kai
 - S — Send people to space
 - R — Oxygen, Pressure, Temperature, Lights, Time
 - G — O₂ > 20%, ...
 - T — Temperature vs Pressure, basic chemistry

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Presentation notes

- Paul, Scott, Marc
 - S — Grocery Store
 - R — Product stock, Back stock, Employees, Space
 - G — Keep produce fresh, conserve space, staff numbers
 - T — Order vs Back stock, More staff vs Less staff, costs and trends
- Mike, Geoff, Adam
 - S — AI for a video game (FPS)
 - R — Position, health, ammo, objectives
 - G — Survive, Aggression, Conservative, Orders
 - T — Sacrifice position and ammo to recover health, sacrifice health to capture an objective

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Presentation notes

- Richard, Nick, Vish
 - S — Server farm
 - R — Main server, VM, resource servers
 - G — Cost, save energy, servers
 - T — Smaller-VM's, centralized server vs many servers, security

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