

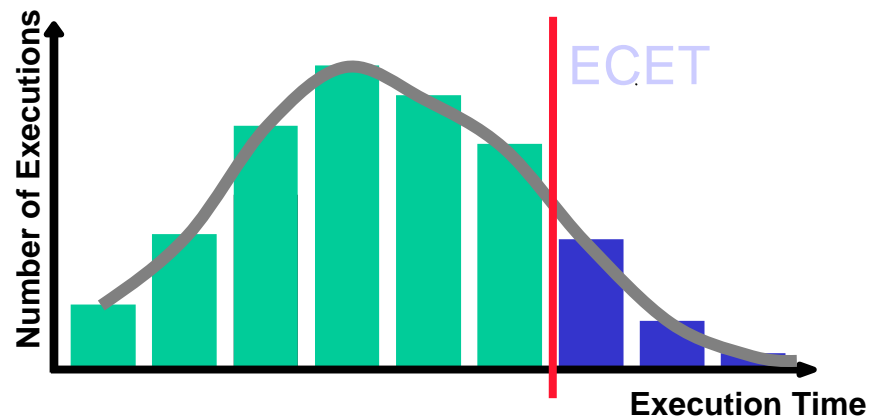
## Real-Time (Paradigms) (37)

$ECET_{t,p}$  of task-instance  $t$  of task  $\tau$  with probability  $p$

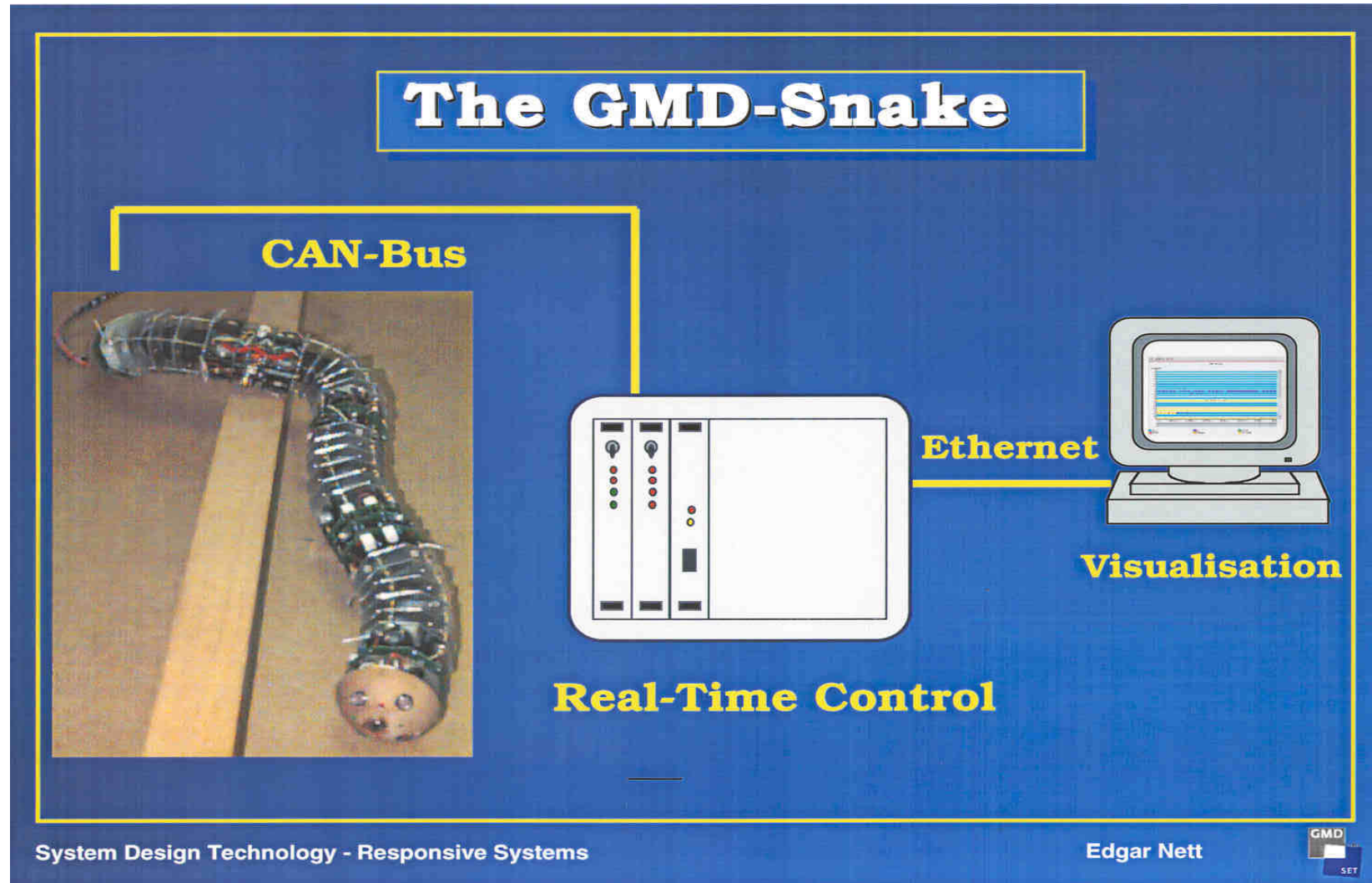
- CPU-time required to complete task-instance  $t$  with probability  $p$
- $p$ -quantile of the probabilistic density function of  $\tau$ 's execution time

$ECET_{t,k,n}$  - The minimal execution time that was needed to successfully complete at least  $k$  out of the last  $n$  most recent executions of  $\tau$ .

- A statistic quantity



# Real-Time (Paradigms) (39a)



# Real-Time (Paradigms) (40)

## Task Hierarchy

- **Application Tasks**  
*MoveForward, Turn, CreepBar, Light*
- **Section Tasks**  
*MoveToAngle*
- **Basic Tasks**  
*StartMotor, StopMotor, CheckPosition*

# Real-Time (Paradigms) (41)

## Timing Constraints:

- ◆ Calibration messages each 40 ms
- ◆ Polling angle sensor each 80 ms
- ◆ StopMotor (situation dependent)

## Task Classification (Example):

- ◆ Hard: Calibration task
- ◆ Critical: MoveToAngle task
- ◆ Soft: Light task

# Real-Time (Paradigms) (42)

## Scheduling Example

- **execution of the task MoveToAngle**
- **parameters: motor\_speed, current\_position, target\_position**
- **criticality: motor must not be stopped too late (damage!)**
- **off-line: 1 single loop periodically scheduled (period 200ms)**
- **TPS: 2 aperiodic tasks with time dependency**



# Real-Time (Paradigms) (43)

## Example (Cont'd)

**Task: MoveToAngle (45 degrees)**

**WCET for Start resp. CheckPositon: 16 ms**

**computed duration for move: 2 sec**

**Resource consumption:**

**off-line:  $10 \times 16 \text{ ms} = 160 \text{ ms}$  within 2 sec reserved**

**TPS:  $2 \times 16 \text{ ms} = 32 \text{ ms}$  within 2 sec reserved**

# Real-Time (Paradigms) (44)

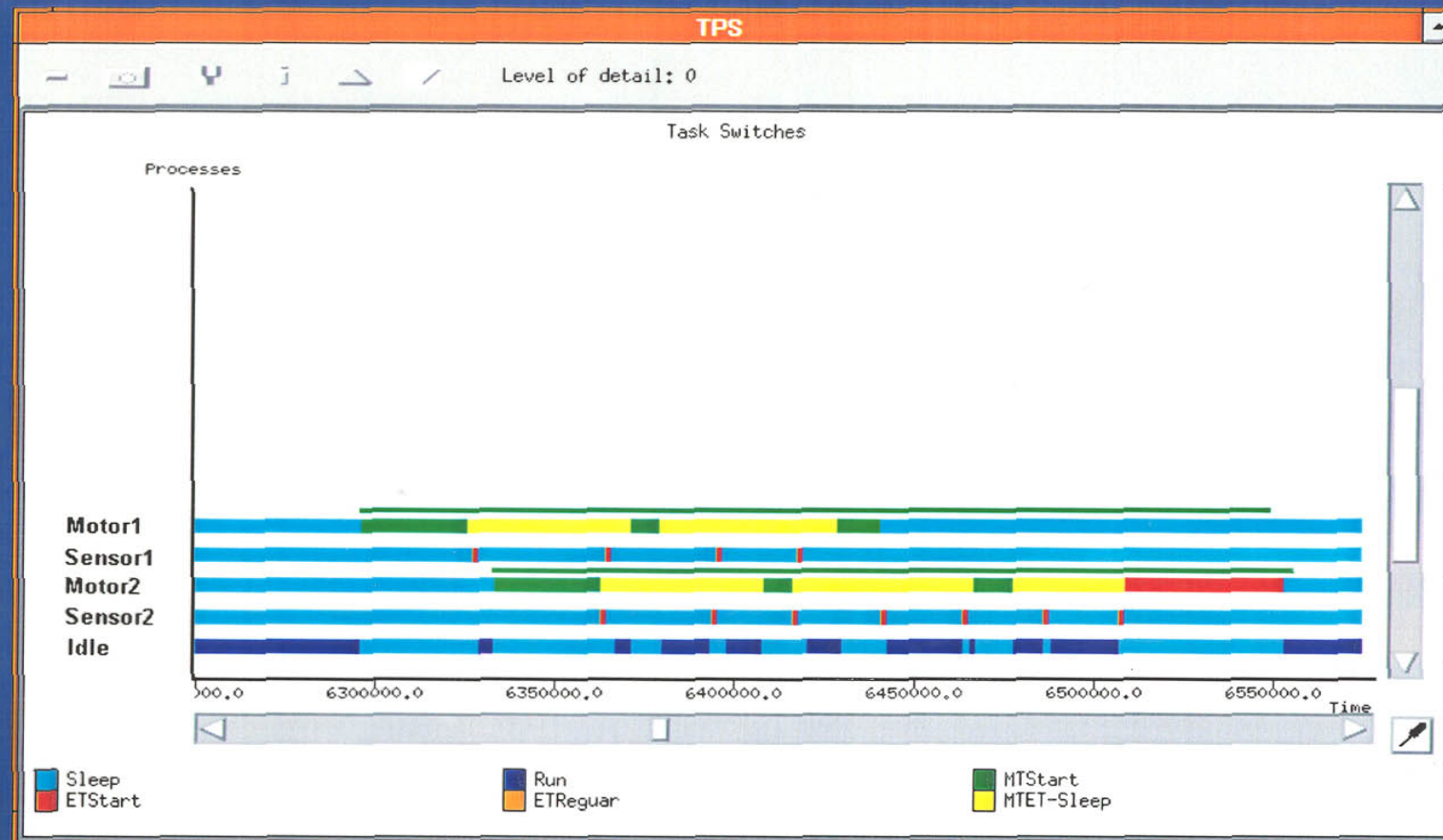
## Example (Cont'd)

**Problem: motor speed is not constant**

**depends on: direction (up, down, left, right), current position, and simultaneous moves in other sections**

- **off-line: worst case approach, i.e. maximum speed has to be assumed)**
- **TPS: on-line adaptation possible: if motor would stop too early, then, schedule an additional CheckPosition, if possible**

# Real-Time (Paradigms) (45)





## Real-Time (Paradigms) (46)

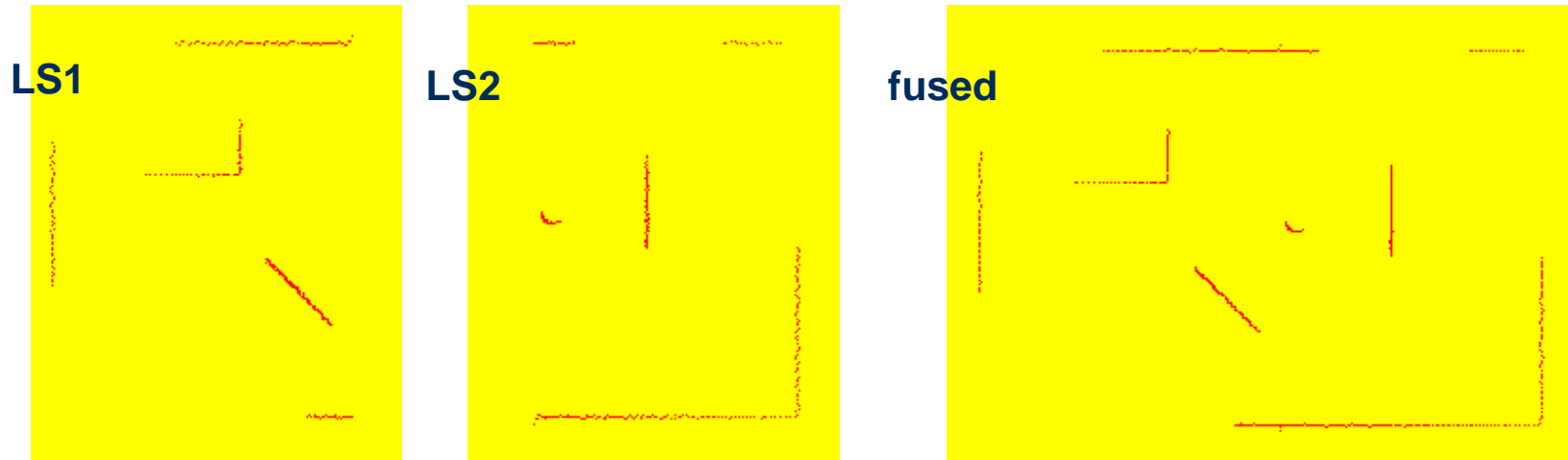
### External Reviewers



# Application Example: Motion Control

## Motion Control

- is one of the most important tasks of mobile embedded systems
- is subject to real-time and reliability requirements
- heavily depends on the sensory input
- Single sensors have a partial, inaccurate view
- Distributed sensor fusion allows achieving a more complete and accurate perception of the environment

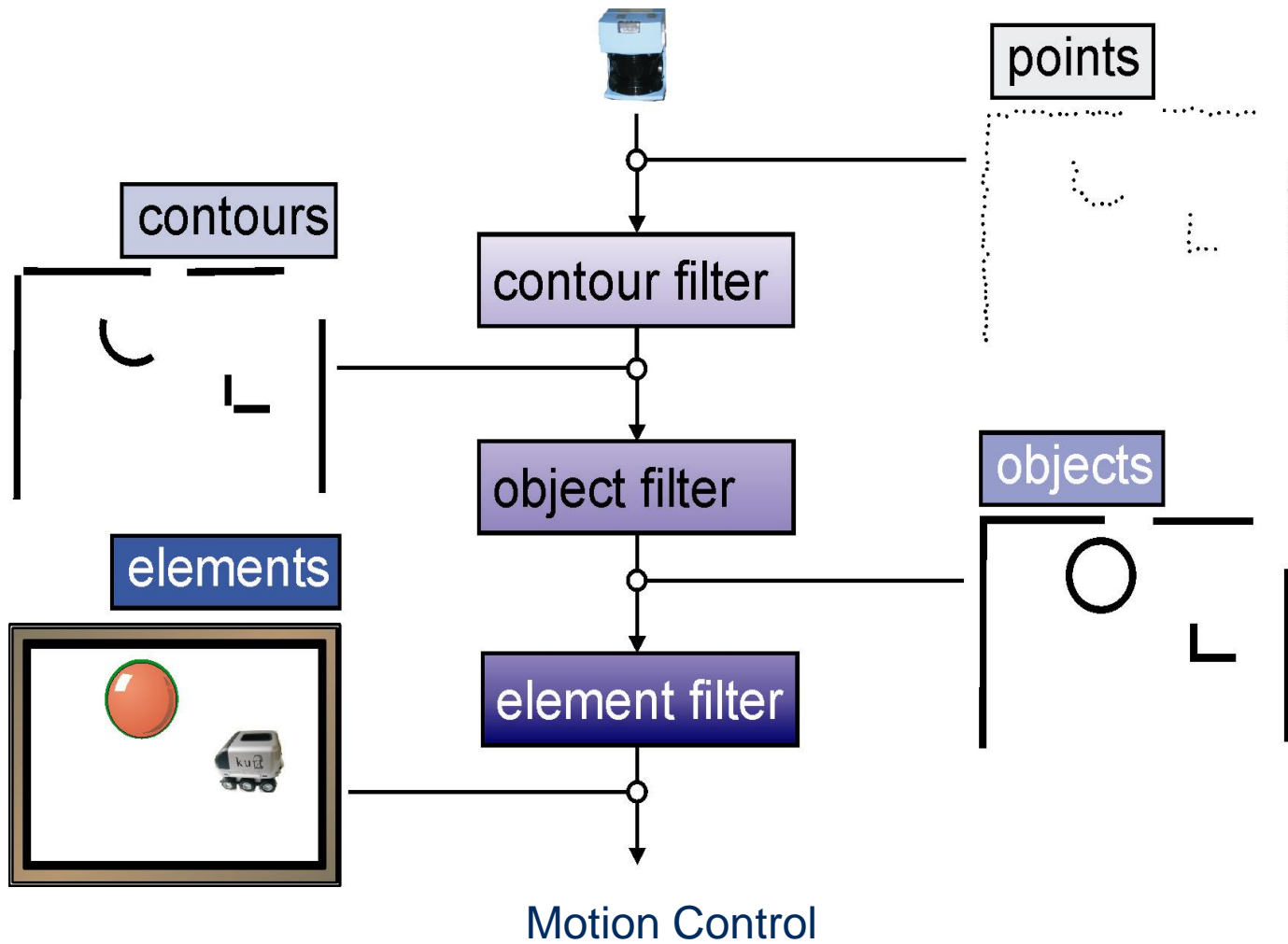


# Example: RoboCup

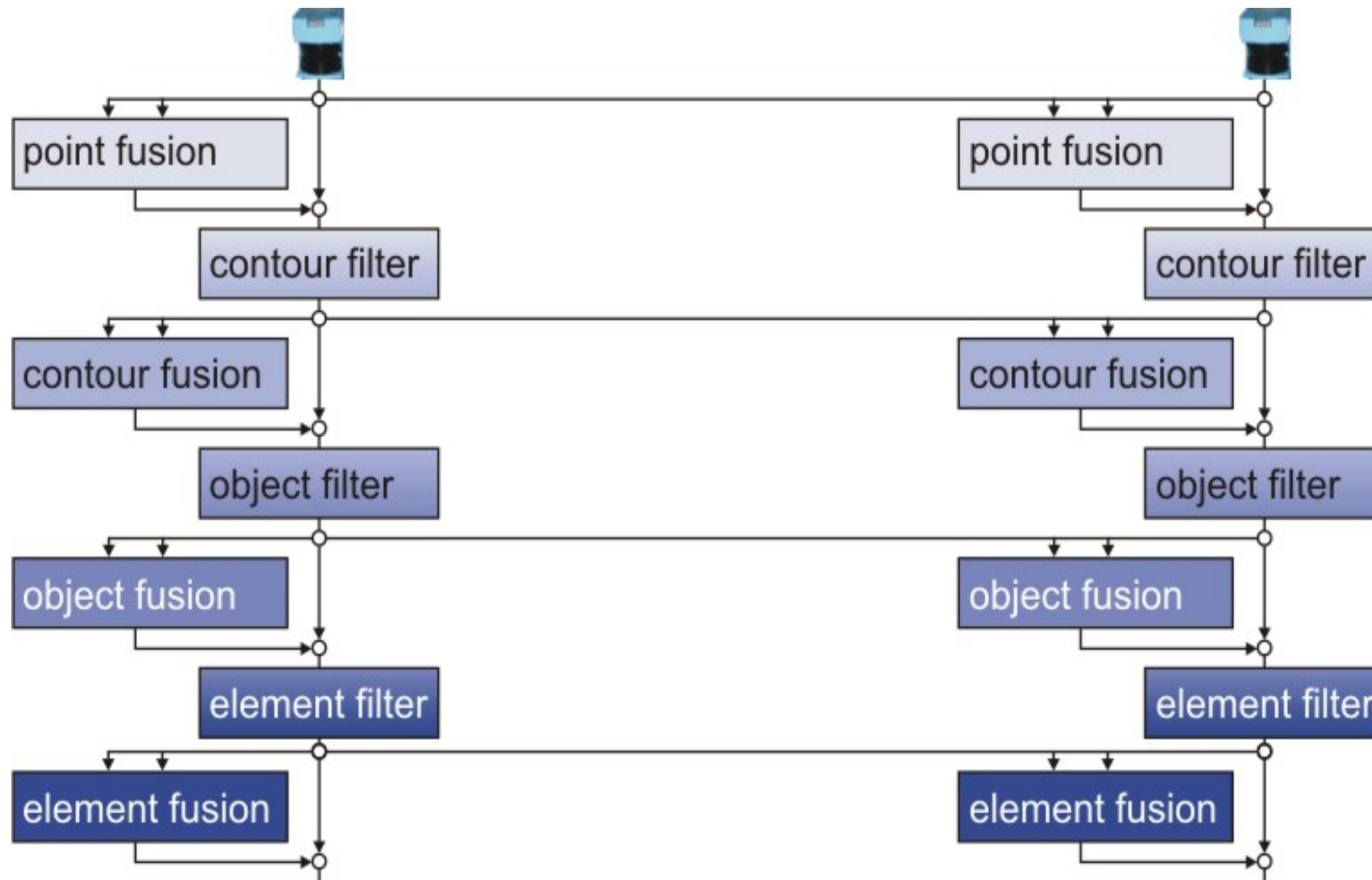


- Getting wide acceptance as standard benchmark for team robotic
- Annual world and national championships in robot soccer
- Research done as part of a nationwide DFG-program „Cooperating teams of mobile robots in dynamic environments“

# Sensor Data Processing – Filters and Abstraction Levels

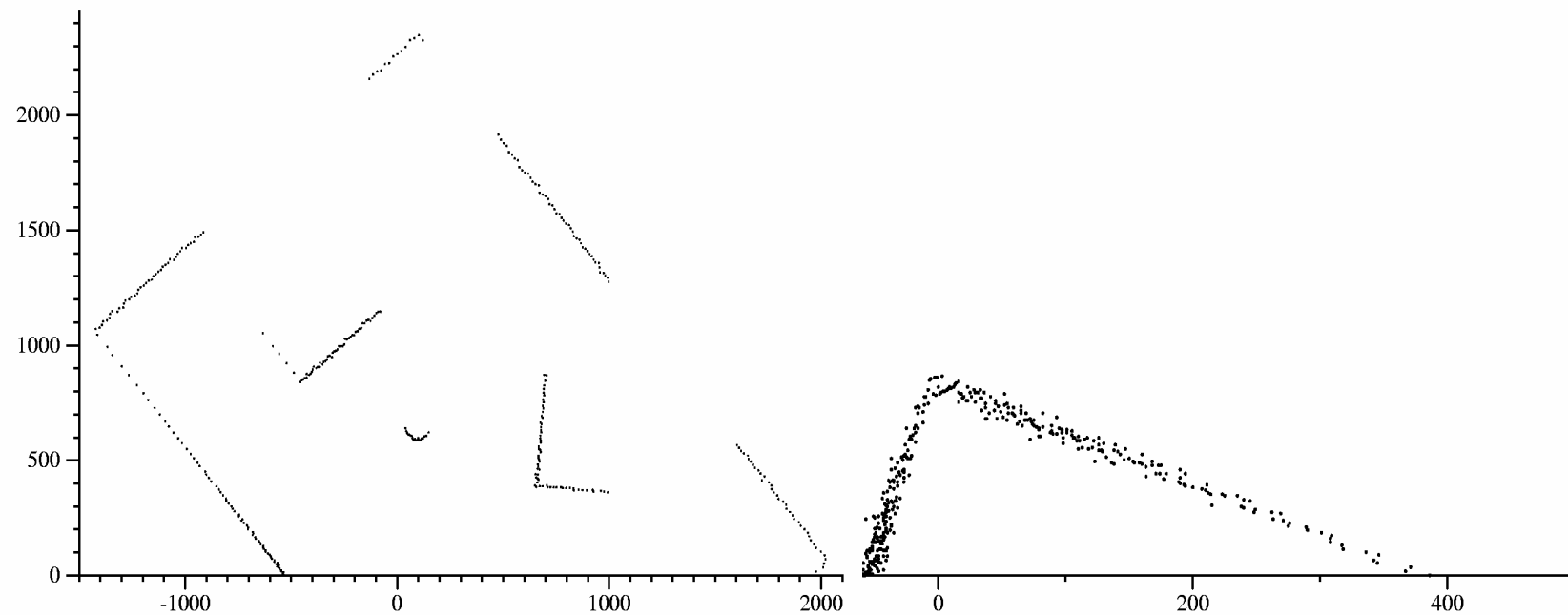


# Sensor Data Processing - Multi-Level Sensor Fusion



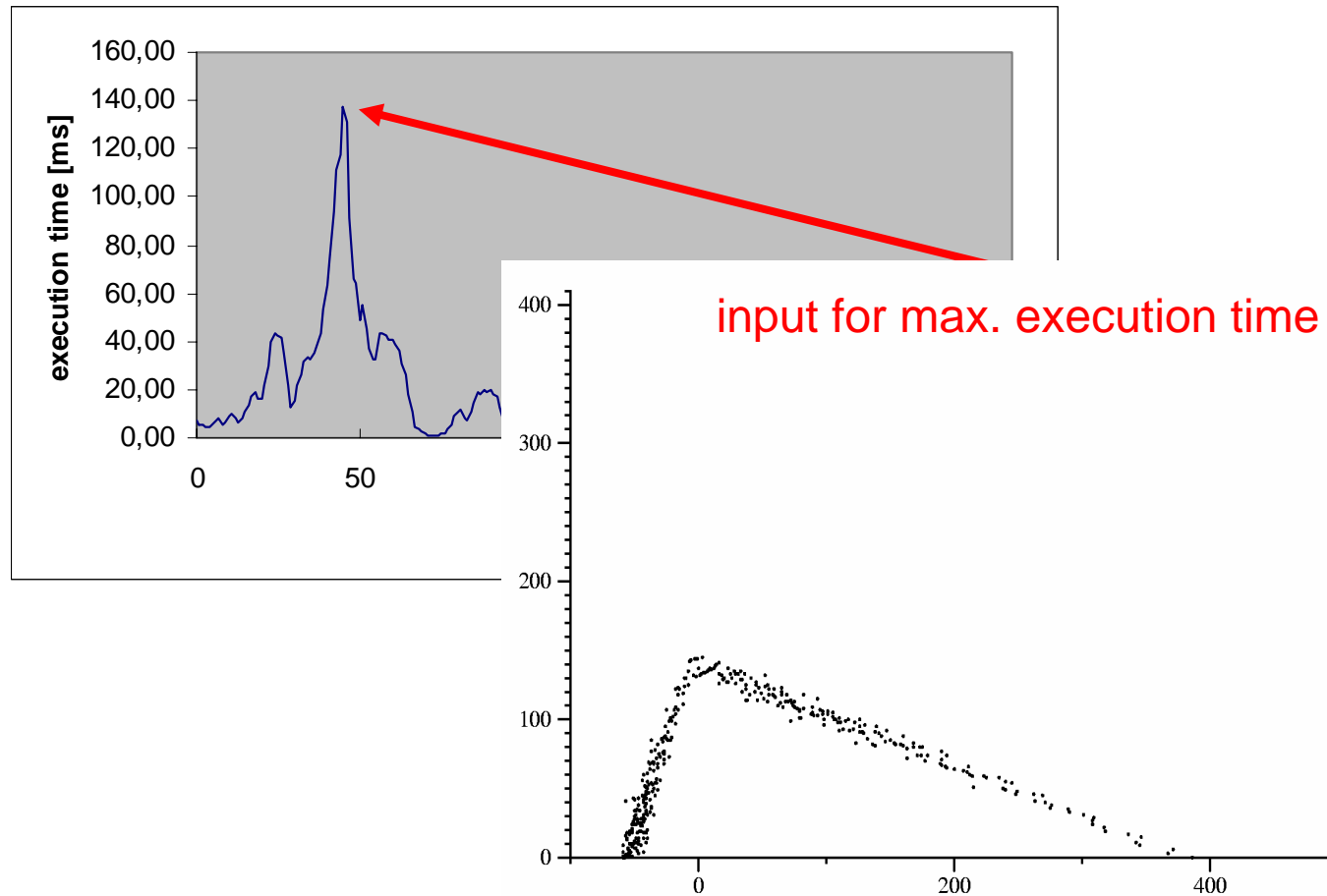
# Environment-Dependent Execution Times of the Filter Modules

- Execution times depend on input size
- Execution times depend on input content



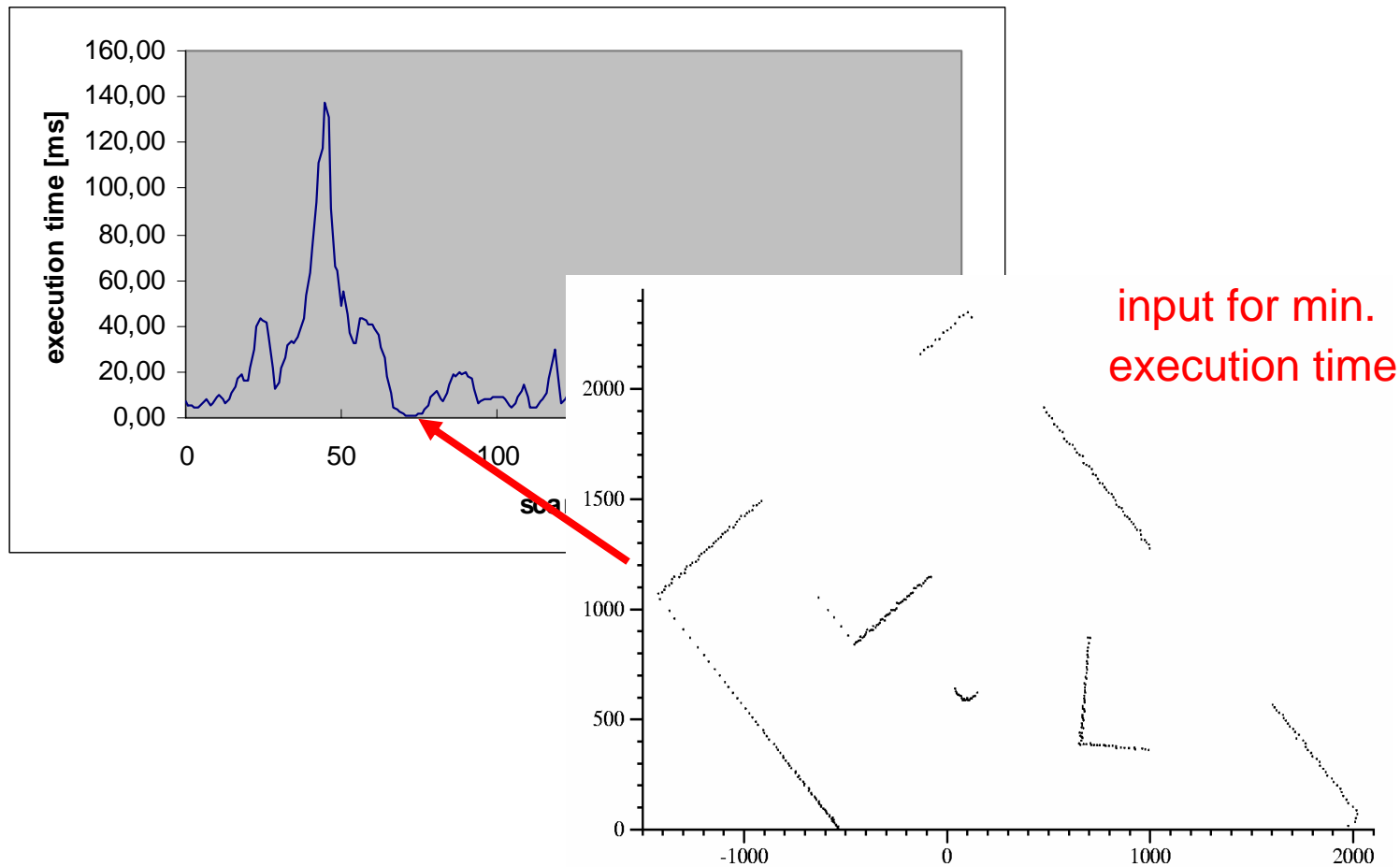
# Environment-Dependent Execution Times of the Filter Modules (cont'd)

execution times of the arc filter



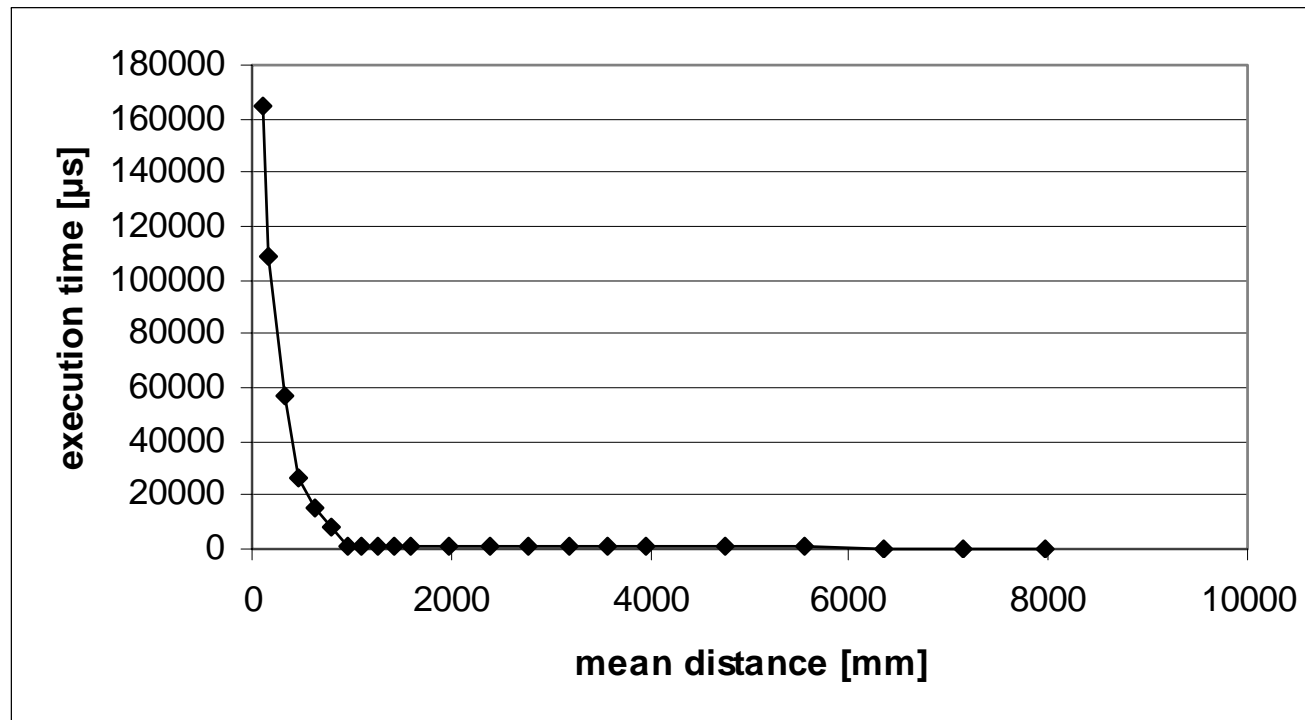
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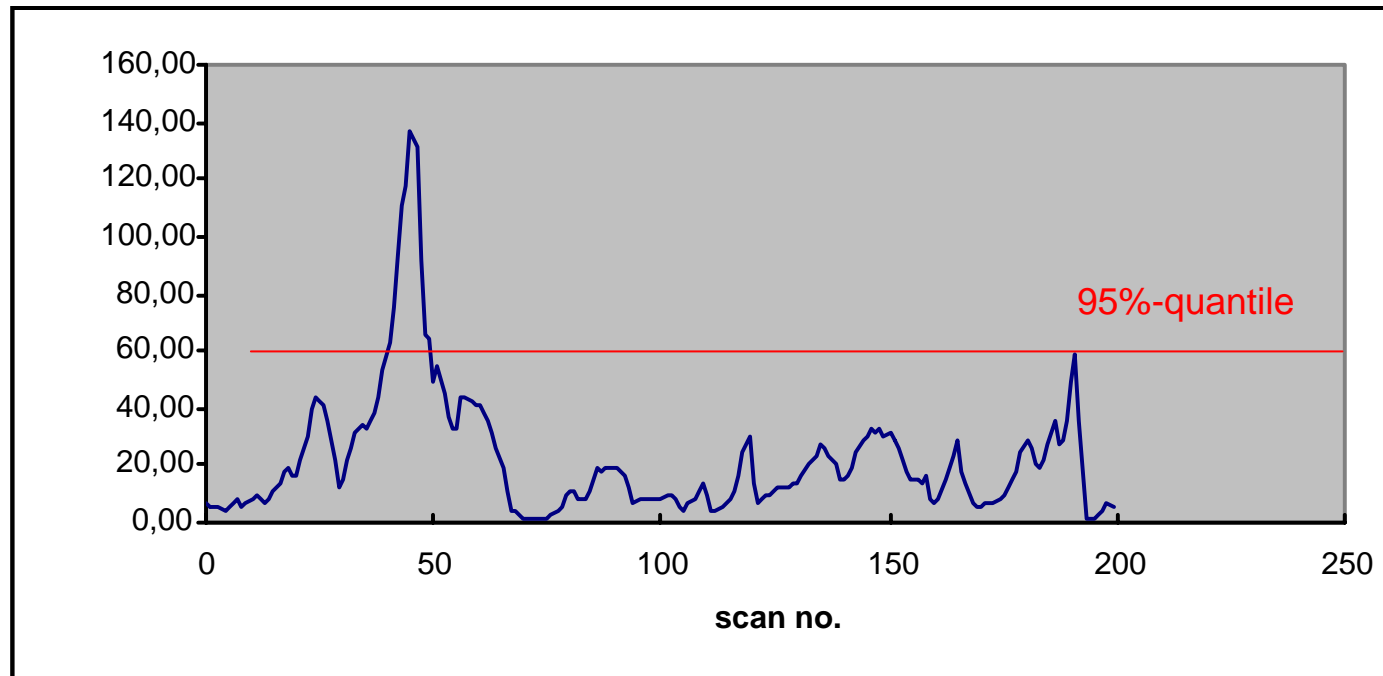
# Contour Filter: Execution Time vs. Mean Distance



- Execution times  $> 57$ ms are only observed for distances  $< 32$ cm

# Environment-Dependent Execution Times of the Filter Modules (cont'd)

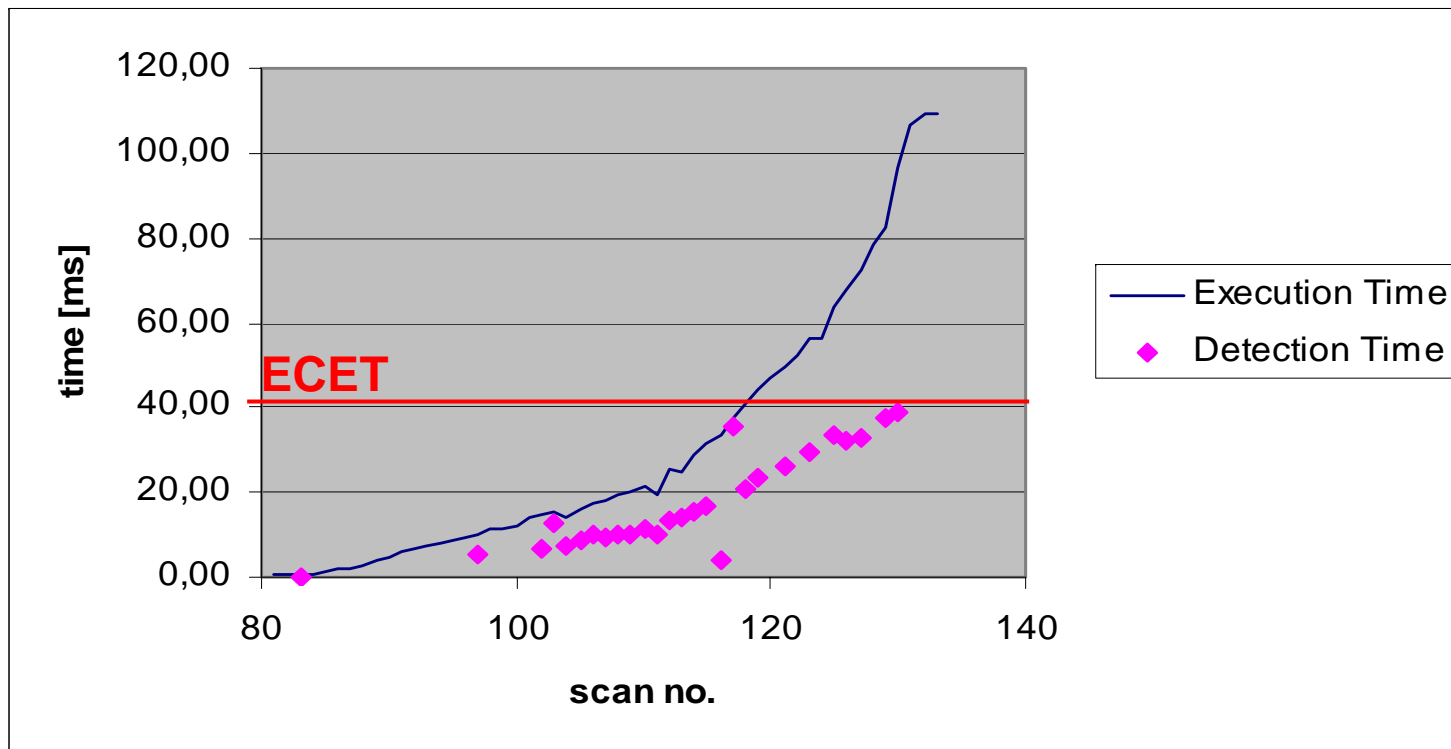
execution times of the arc filter



→ Scheduling WCETs is not a viable solution to achieve a predictable timing behavior of the filter modules!

# Functional Redundancy in the Arc Filter

- The arc filter evaluates potential ball positions
- Only the best estimate is relevant to higher layers (corresponds to ball)



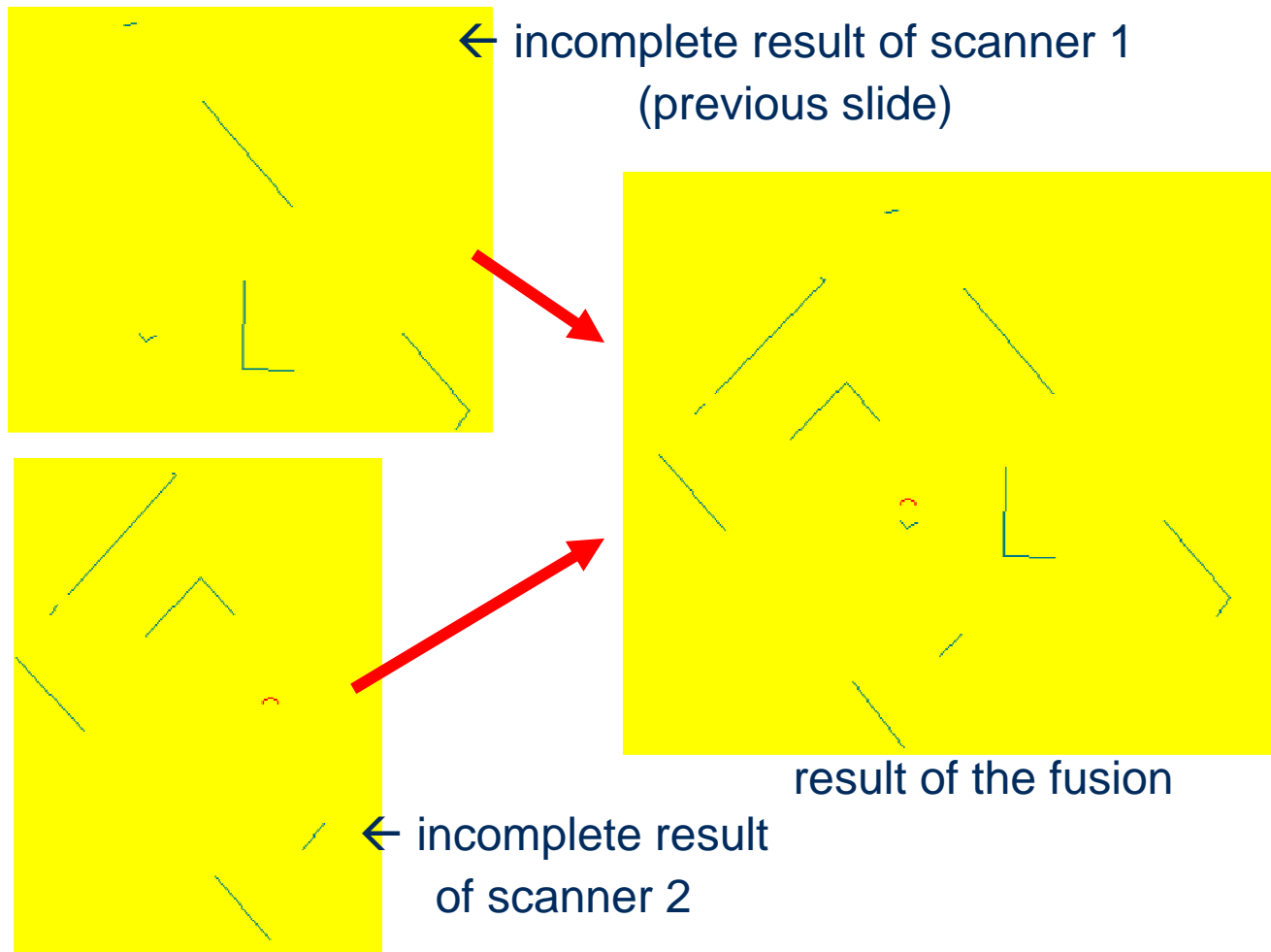
# Structural Redundancy in the Edge Filter

- Aborted instances deliver results for a fraction of the scene
- Incomplete results are valuable input for the sensor fusion

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Dekompressor „  
benötigt.

# Structural Redundancy – Distributed Fusion

- Environment is observed by several, distributed sensors
- Fusion complements missing results from one sensor by results from others

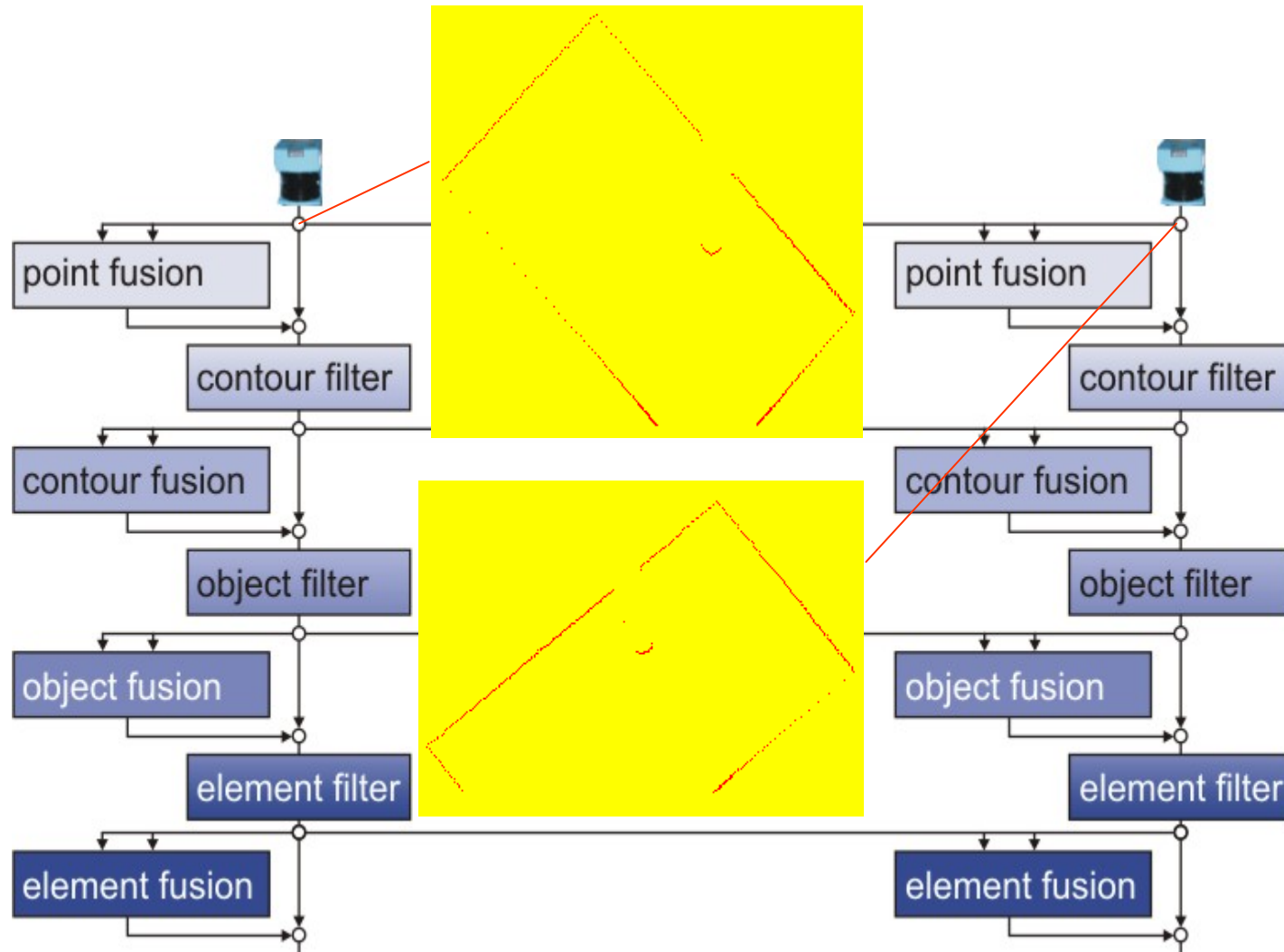


# Application-Level Adaptation

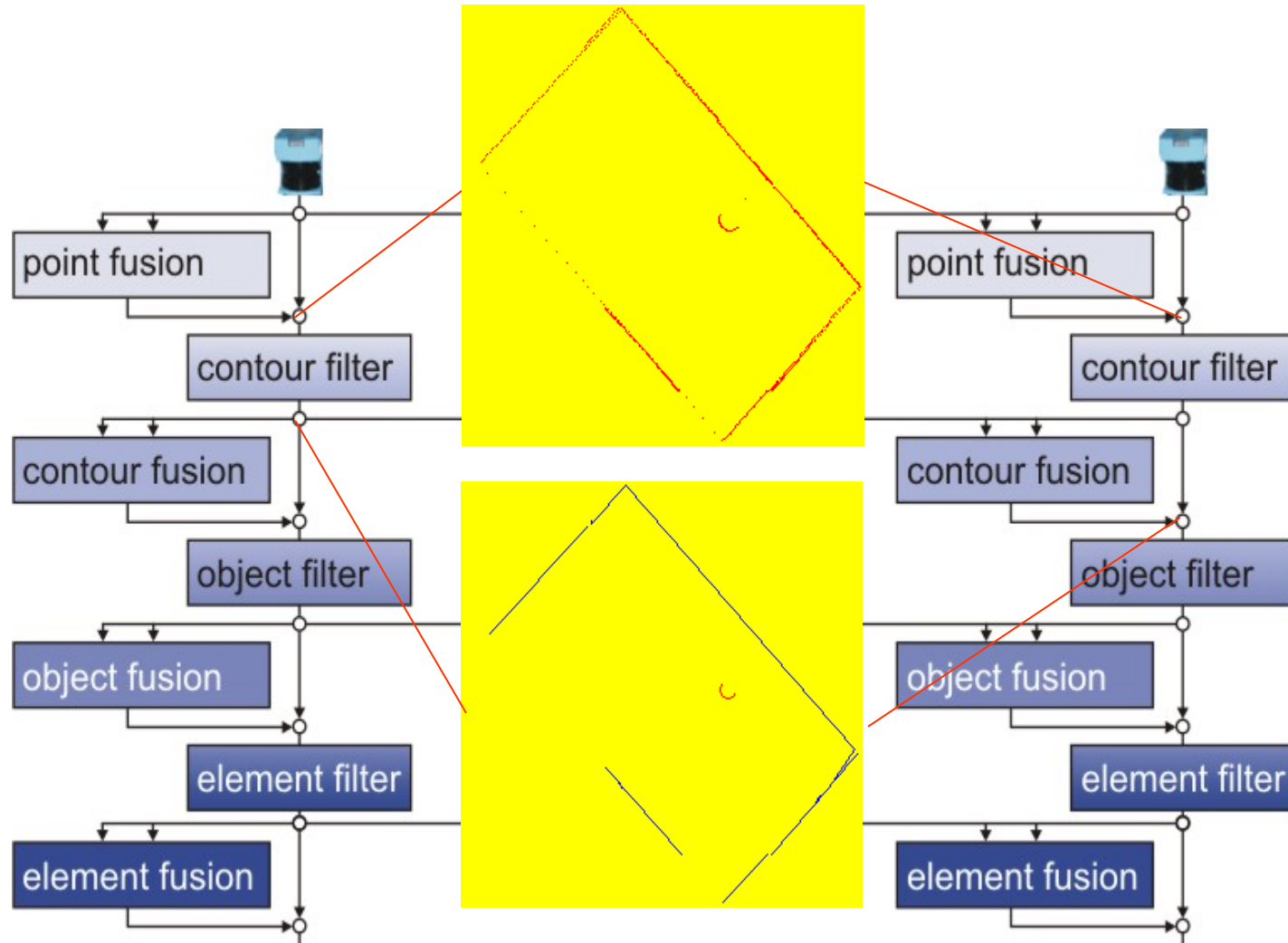
- Raising the fusion level allows reducing system load
  - Reduced execution times (CPU load)
  - Reduced data volume (network load)
- Raising the fusion level may decrease accurateness of results

		2 scanners		3 scanners			
		execution times [µs]		data volume [byte]	execution times [µs]		data volume [byte]
point fusion	point fusion	10304			20427		
	arc filter	13157			63093		
	edge filter	1436			2216		
	object filter	2570			3708		
	element filter	77			98		
	sum	27544		11616	89542		17424
contour fusion	arc filter	3398	3688		3398	3688	5428
	edge filter	577	578		577	578	465
	contour fusion	1955			3253		
	object filter	1636			2067		
	element filter	70			77		
	sum	7927		1384	11290		1912

# Application-Level Adaptation: Accuracy Tradeoff

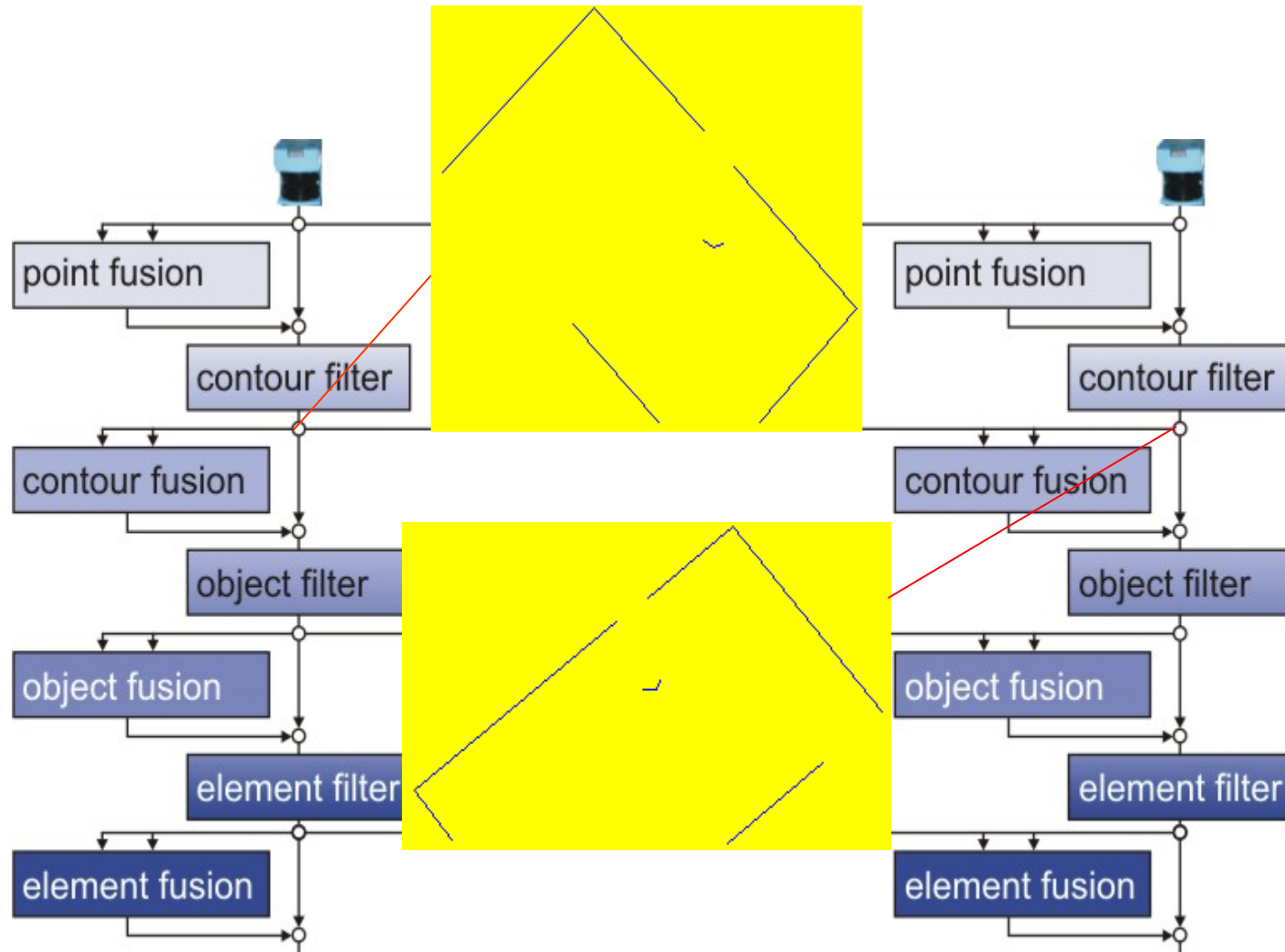


# Application-Level Adaptation: Accuracy Tradeoff (cont'd)

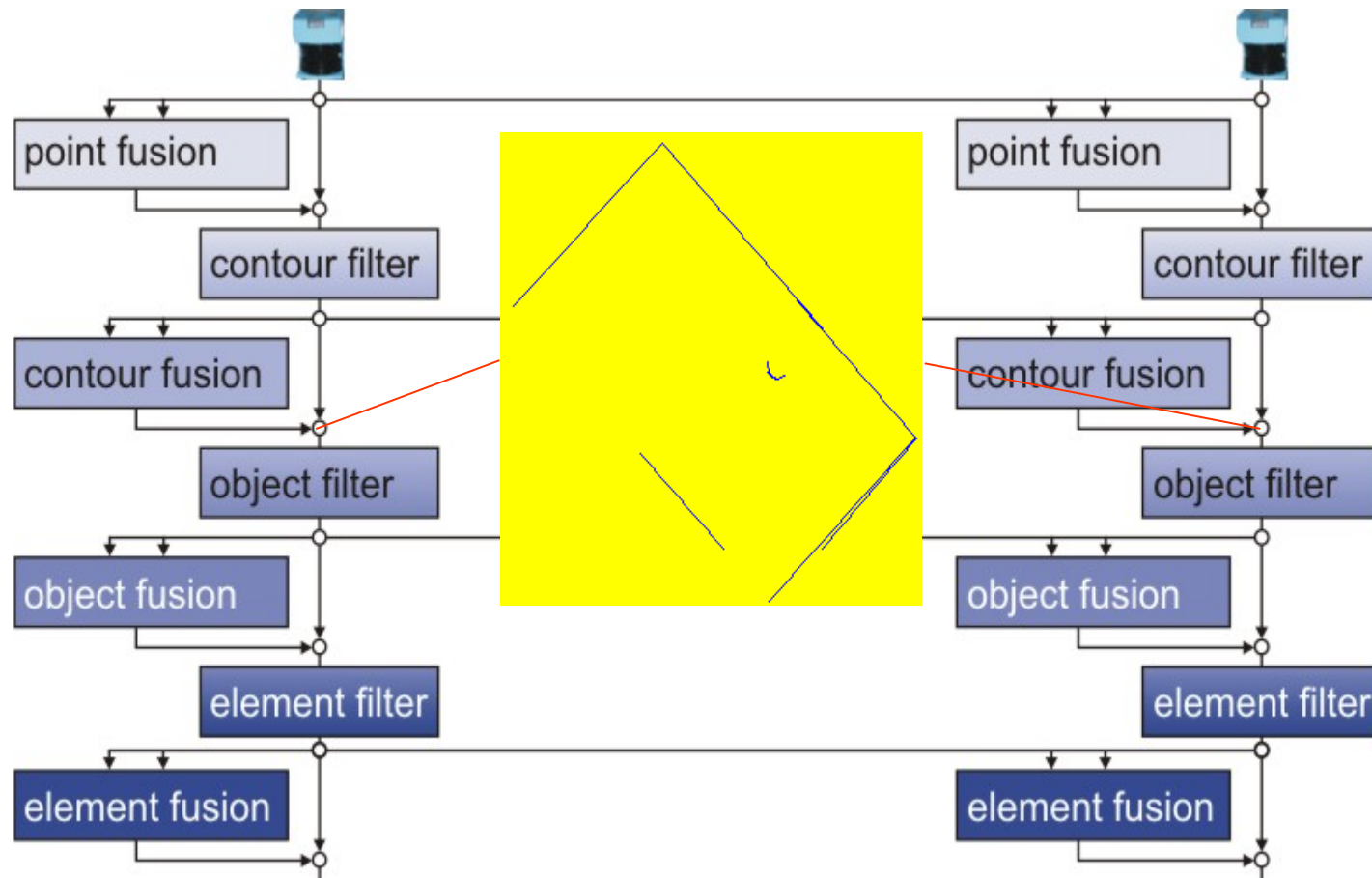




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# Exploiting Inherent Redundancy

- To tolerate transient faults (short term peaks), use application-inherent redundancy
  - Functional redundancy within the module instances
    - Design modules as any-time algorithms
  - Structural redundancy within the executions of the sensor fusion
    - Combine results from distributed sensors
  - Time redundancy within a sequence of executions
    - Schedule a frequency above the minimum
- To tolerate permanent faults (persistent overload), use application-level adaptation (graceful degradation)
  - TAFT supports detection of persistent overload
  - Application-level adaptation allows lowering system load