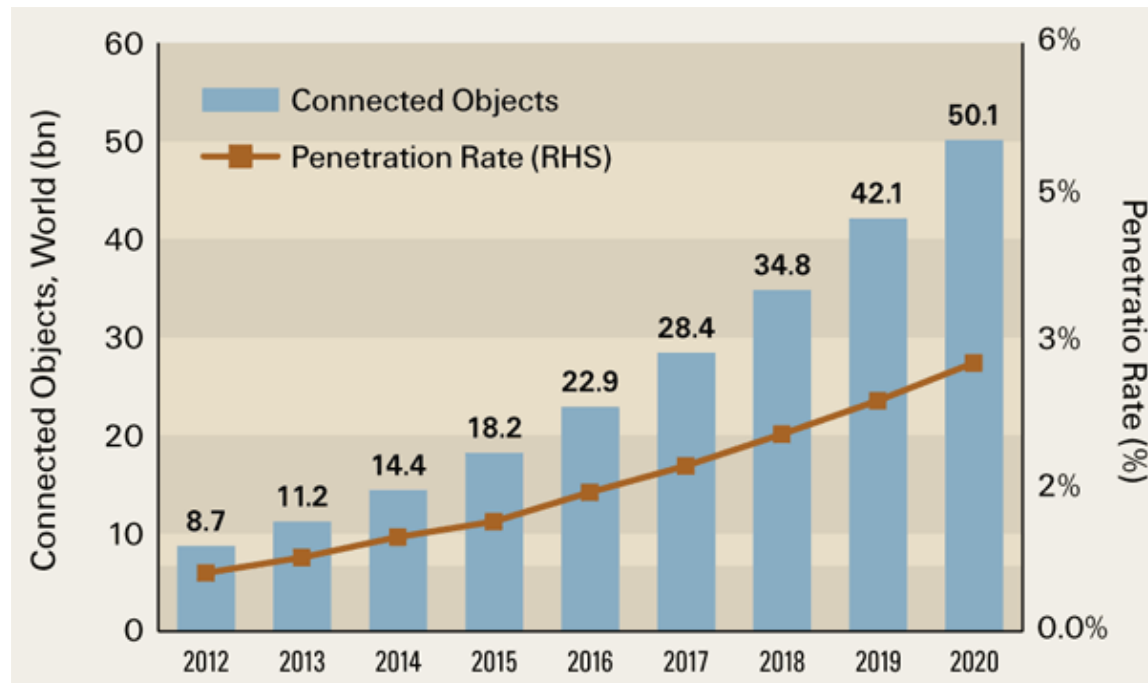


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Toward Connected Objects...



Home automation (*Z-Wave Alliance*)

Connected objects are expected to 50 billions by 2020
(*Cisco Systems 2014*)

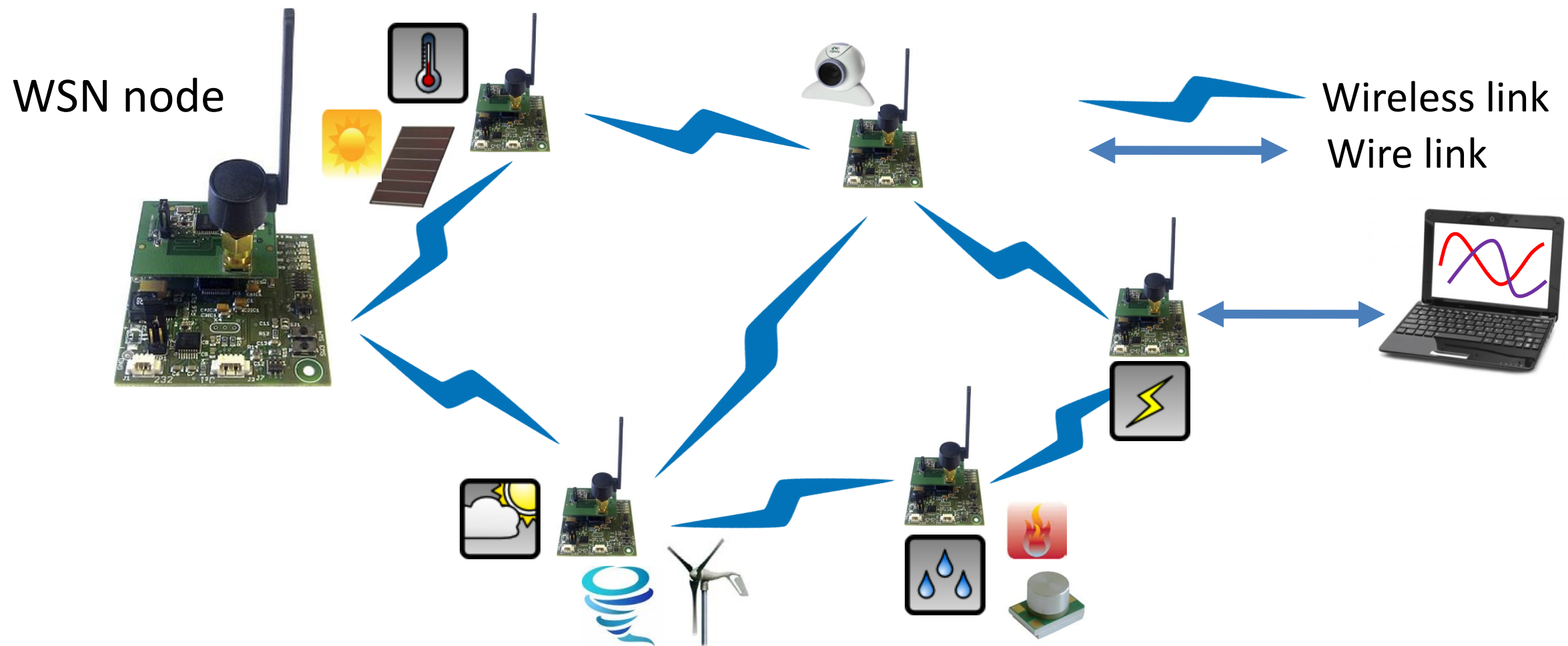
Energy consumption for a huge number of connected objects?

Autonomous designs with battery independency?



Smart city (*Santander*)

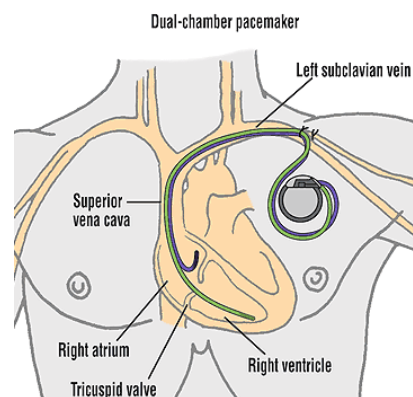
Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs)



Environment Monitoring



Health Monitoring

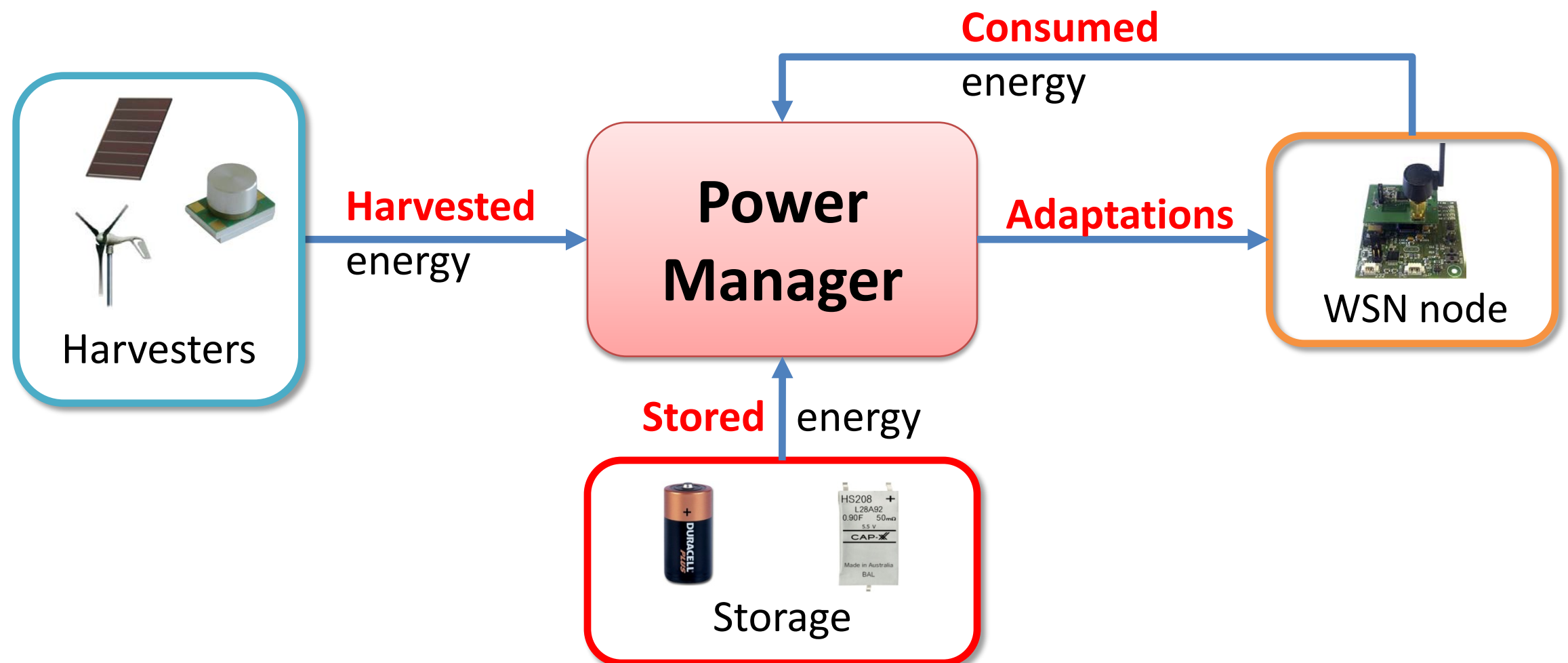


Structure Monitoring



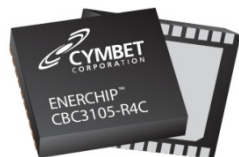
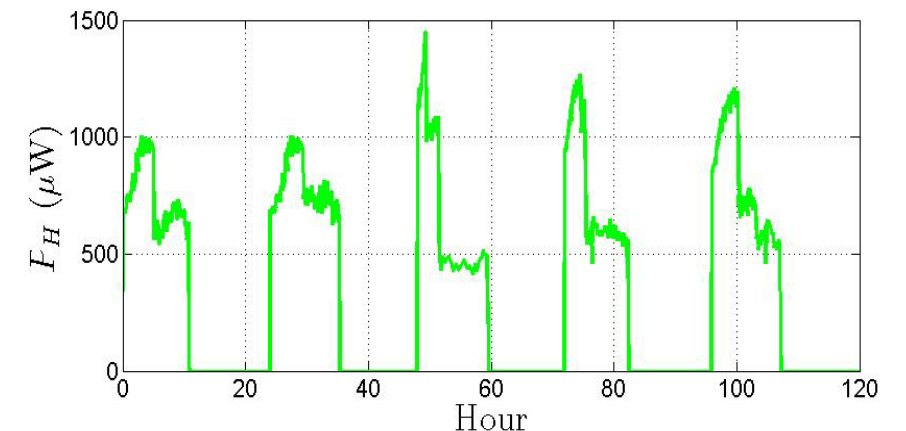
Generic Power Manager Architecture

- Energy Harvesting (EH): a new paradigm for Power Manager (PM):
 - The objective is **no more to minimize** the consumed energy as battery-powered WSN
 - But rather to satisfy **Energy Neutral Operation** (ENO) condition [KAN2007]
consumed energy = harvested energy



Power Manager Challenges

- How to **control energy consumption**?
 - **Adapt the wake-up interval (T_{WI})**
 - Adapt transmit power
 - Dynamic Voltage and Frequency Scaling (DVFS)
- **Consumed energy model**:
 - Depend on **scenarios** or **functional modes**
- **Harvested energy model**:
 - Different energy sources: solar, wind, thermal...
 - Real-time monitoring
- Which kind of **energy storage**?



[Cymbet]

500 recharge cycles

Difficult to estimate the state of charge

Low leakage current

<http://www.cymbet.com>



[CapXX]

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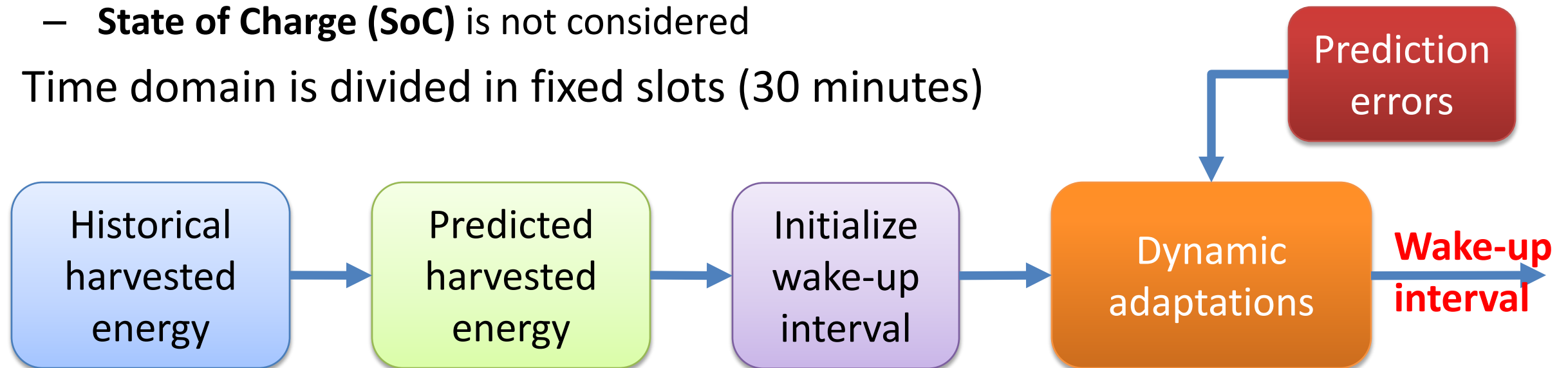
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Related Work: KAN-PM [KAN2007]

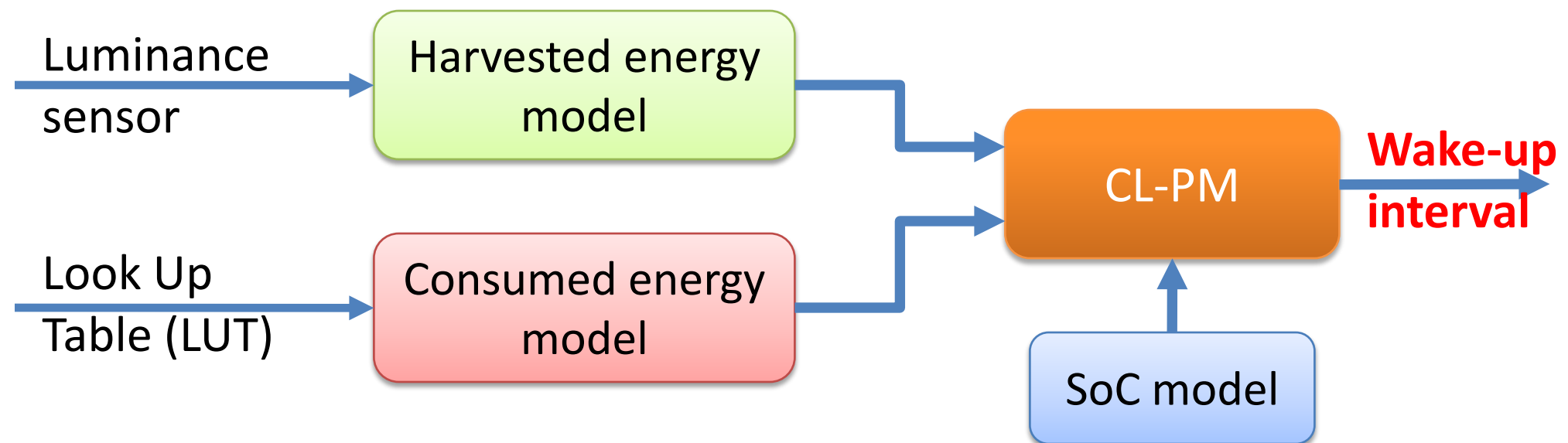
- Designed for **solar-powered WSN** with **rechargeable batteries**
- Adaptations are based on **prediction of harvested energy**:
 - **Energy consumption is a constant**
 - **State of Charge (SoC)** is not considered
- Time domain is divided in fixed slots (30 minutes)



- **Low response** to the change of harvested energy
- **Battery failure can occur** (WSN is shutdown!!!)
- **High performance** when harvested energy is available
- **Low performance** when there is no harvested energy

Related Work: CL-PM [CAS2012]

- Adaptations are based on **current harvested energy** and **State of Charge (SoC)** of the battery:
 - Harvested energy model is based on a luminance sensor
 - Consumed energy model is based on a Look Up Table (LUT)
- Dynamic adaptation periods



- **Fast response** to the change of harvested energy
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Contributions

- Global power manager for **supercapacitor-based** energy harvesting WSN node:
 - **Balance performance** while satisfying ENO
 - **Energy sources independence**: solar, wind, thermal...
 - **Precise energy model**: consumed, harvested and SoC models
 - Low complexity, memory footprint
- **Periodic energy sources**:
 - Light energy in an office
 - Energy Interval (T_{EI})
 - Non-Energy Interval (T_{NEI})

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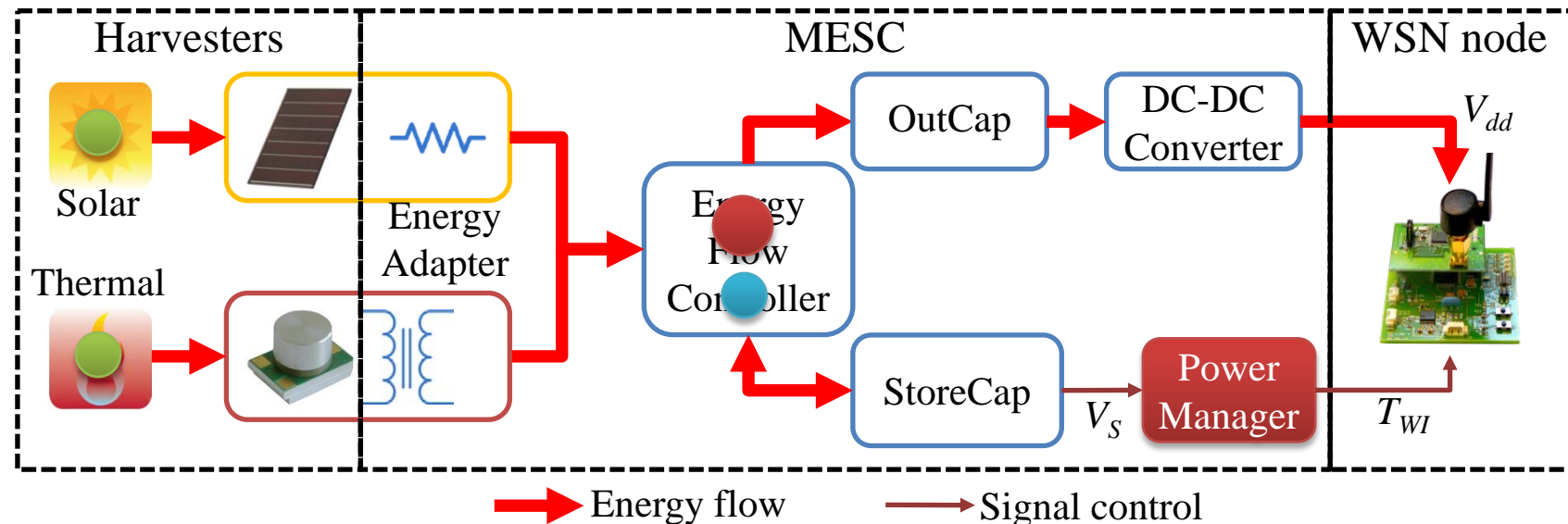
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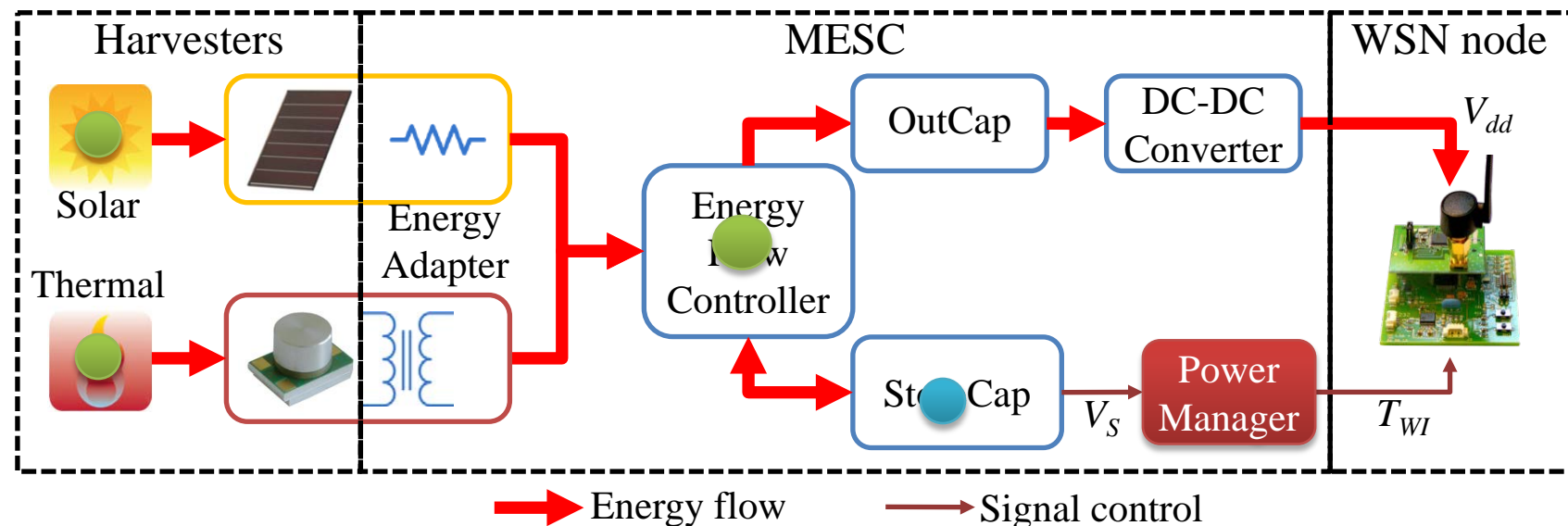
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Multiple Energy Sources Converter (MESc)



- Support different sources: solar, thermal, wind
- Supercapacitor-based energy storage
- Optimized energy flow
- DC/DC converter efficiency: $\eta = 0.85$
- Optimized sizing **OutCap** and **StoreCap**

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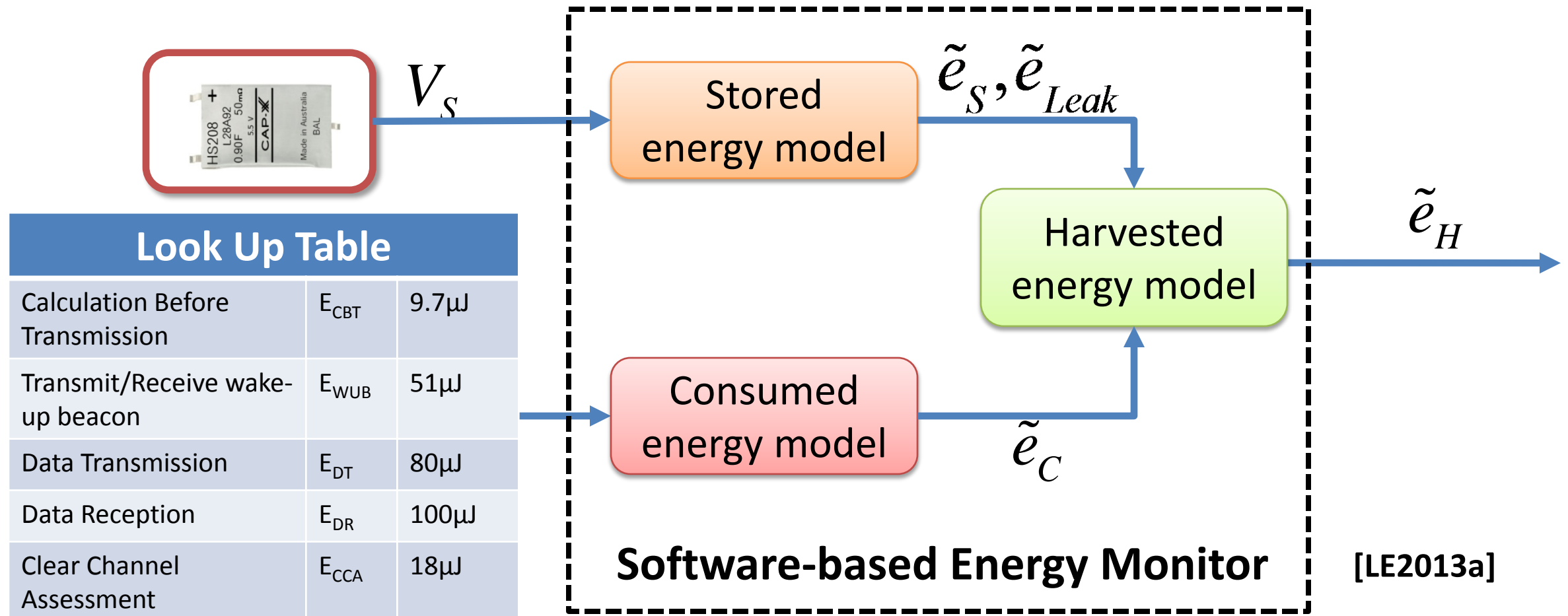


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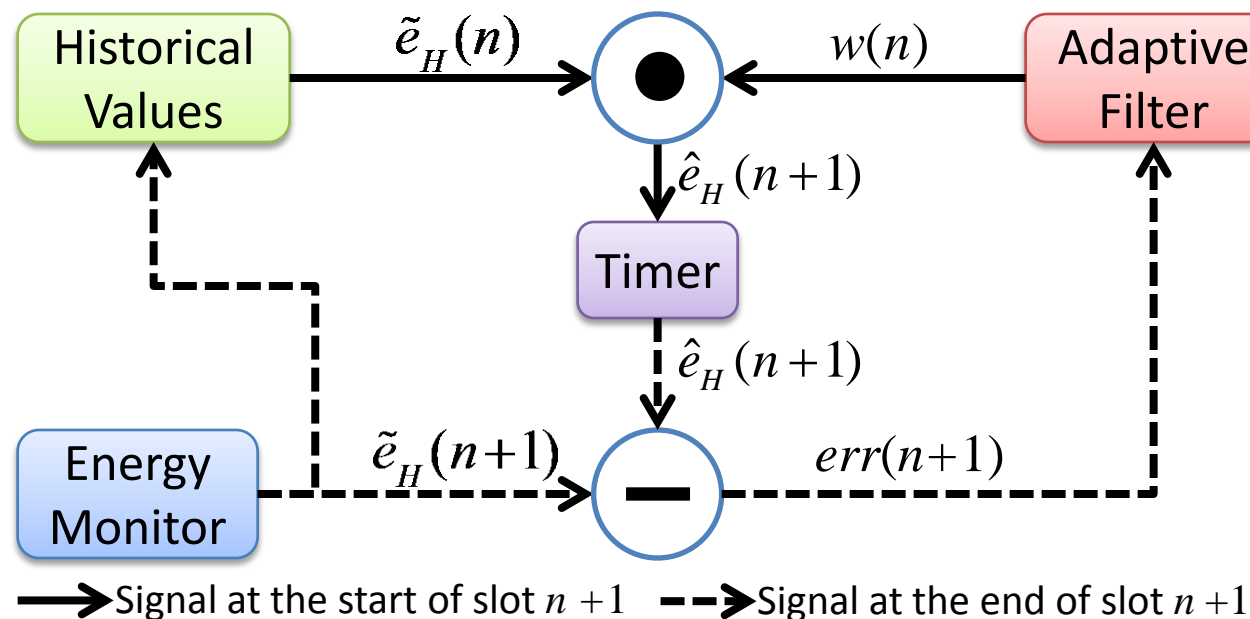
Software-based Energy Monitor

- Provide energy profiles

- Current energy in the StoreCap (\tilde{e}_S)
- Leakage energy of the whole system (\tilde{e}_{Leak})
- Consumed energy of the WSN node (\tilde{e}_C)
- Harvested energy from harvesters (\tilde{e}_H)

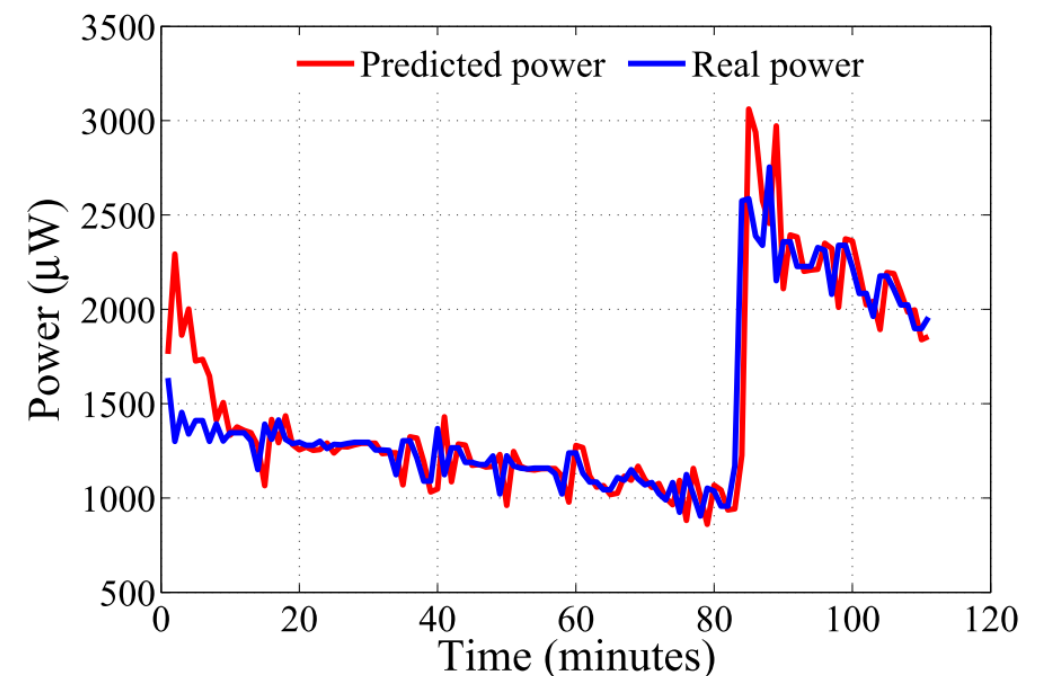


Adaptive Filter-based Energy Predictor



- $\hat{e}_H(n+1)$: Predicted harvested energy in slot $n+1$
- $err(n+1)$: Prediction error
- $w(n)$: Filter coefficients
- **Low-complexity filter order $p = 1$**

- Low complexity and memory footprint
- Acceptable average error (less than 15%)
- Independent of energy sources: outdoor solar, indoor light, wind



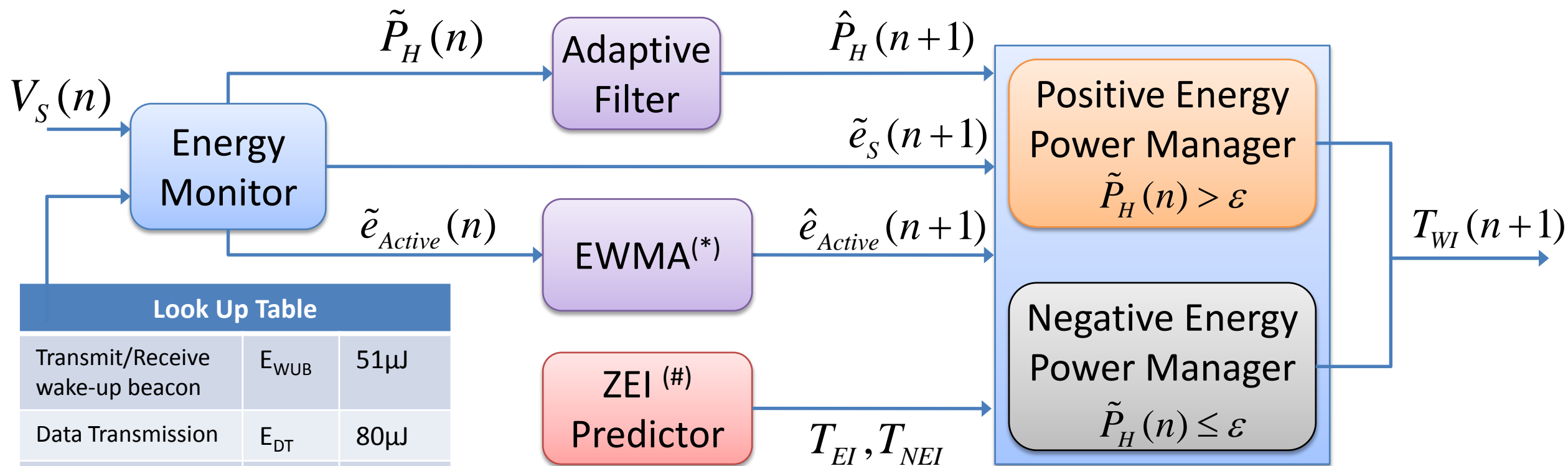
[LE2013b]



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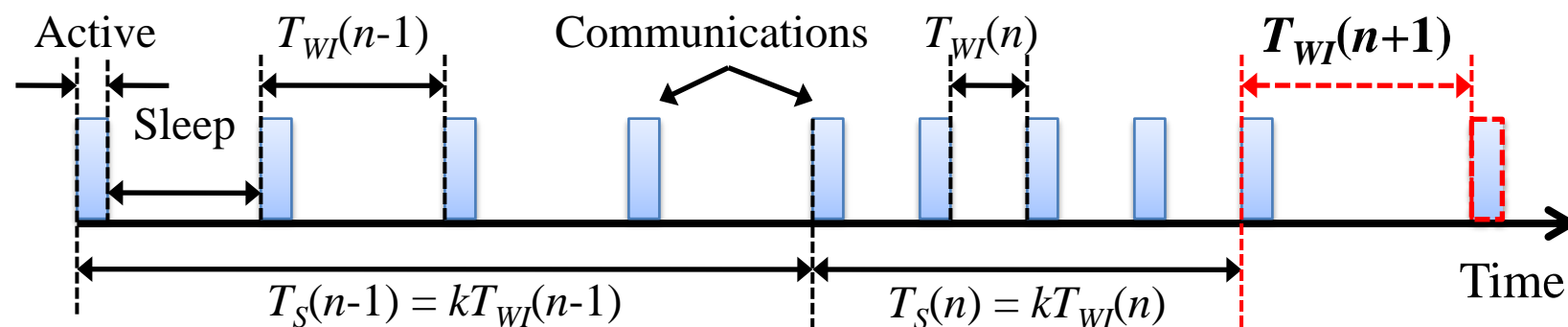
Power Manager with Balanced Quality of Service (BQS-PM)



Look Up Table		
Transmit/Receive wake-up beacon	E_{WUB}	$51\mu\text{J}$
Data Transmission	E_{DT}	$80\mu\text{J}$
Data Reception	E_{DR}	$100\mu\text{J}$
Clear Channel Assessment	E_{CCA}	$18\mu\text{J}$
Sensing	E_{SEN}	$27\mu\text{J}$
Transmit/Receive Acknowledgment	E_{ACK}	$51\mu\text{J}$

(*) **EWMA**: Exponentially **W**eighted **M**oving **A**verage

(#) **ZEI**: Zero Energy Interval [CAS2012]



Positive Energy Power Manager (PE-PM)

- Energy constraint to respect ENO:

$$\frac{\hat{e}_H(n+1)}{1+\varphi} = \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{e}_C(n+1) + P_{Leak} T_S(n+1)$$

$$\varphi = \frac{T_{NEI}}{T_{EI}}$$

$$\frac{\hat{e}_H(n+1)}{1+\varphi} = \frac{1}{\eta} [\hat{e}_{Active}(n+1) + P_{Sleep} T_S(n+1)] + P_{Leak} T_S(n+1)$$

- Next wake-up interval:

$$T_{WI}(n+1) = \frac{(1+\varphi) \hat{e}_{Active}(n+1) / k}{\eta \hat{P}_H(n+1) - (1+\varphi)(\eta P_{Leak} + P_{Sleep})}$$

Negative Energy Power Manager (NE-PM)

- Remaining time of non-energy interval:

$$R(n+1) = R(n) - T_S(n) = R(n) - kT_{WI}(n)$$

- Available energy for waking-up:

$$E_R(n+1) = \frac{1}{2}C_S[V_S^2(n) - V_0^2] - (P_{Sleep} + \eta P_{Leak})R(n+1)$$

- Next wake-up interval:

$$T_{WI}(n+1) = \frac{R(n+1)\hat{e}_{Active}(n+1)}{kE_R(n+1)}$$



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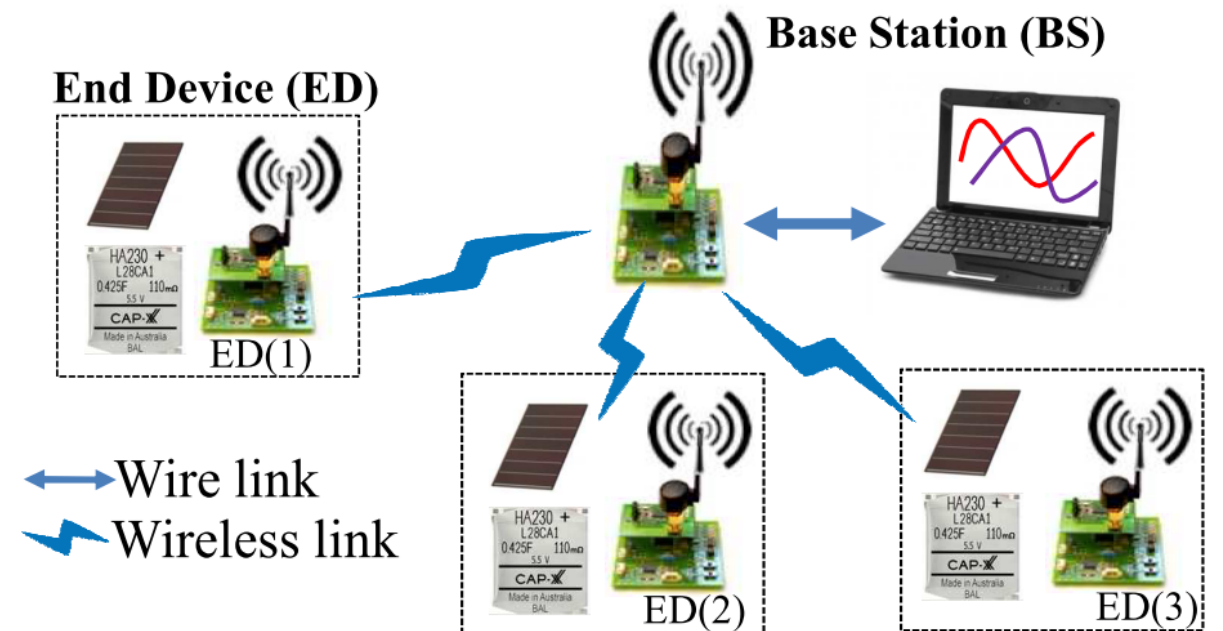
BQS-PM Simulation Setup

Evaluation metrics

- $W_{EI}(s)$: Average wake-up interval during T_{EI}
- $W_{NEI}(s)$: Average wake-up interval during T_{NEI}
- $W_C(s)$: Average wake-up interval during T_C
- $Mem(\text{words})$: Memory footprint
- Mul : Number of multiplications
- $B_f(\text{minute})$: Battery failure duration
- Gap : the difference of W_{EI} and W_{NEI}

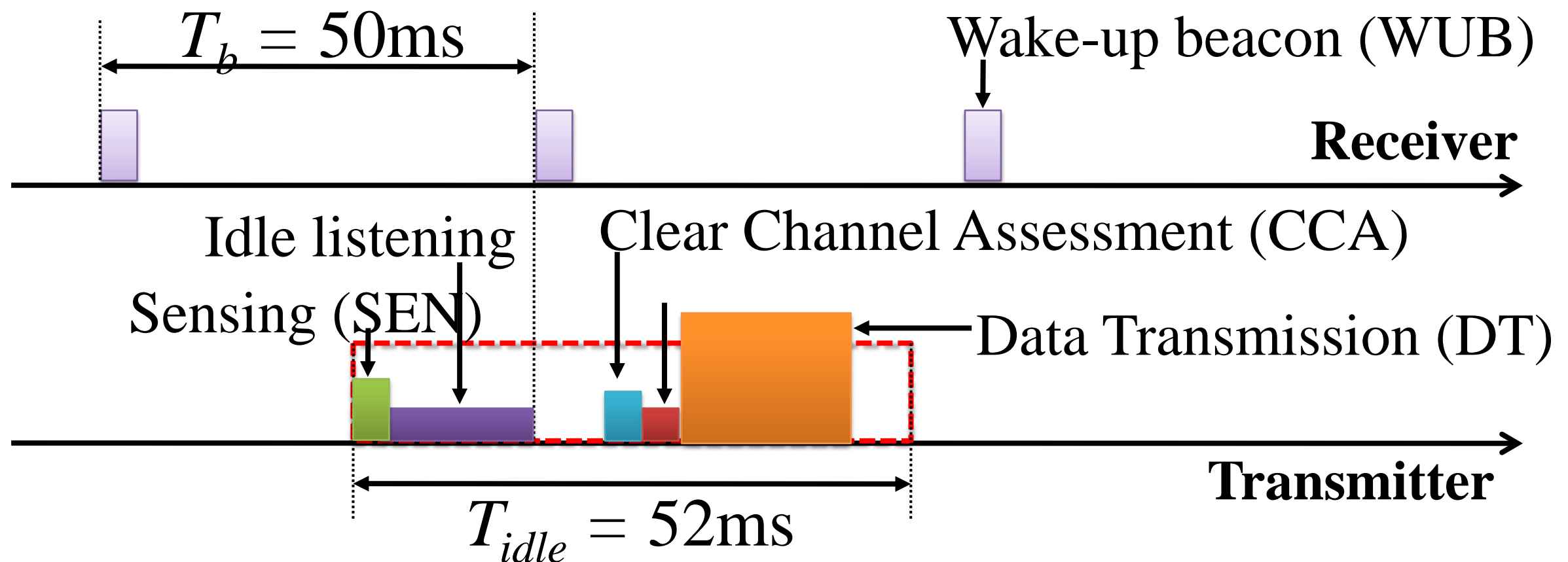
$$Gap = \frac{|W_{EI} - W_C| + |W_{NEI} - W_C|}{W_C}$$

Single-hop EH-WSN



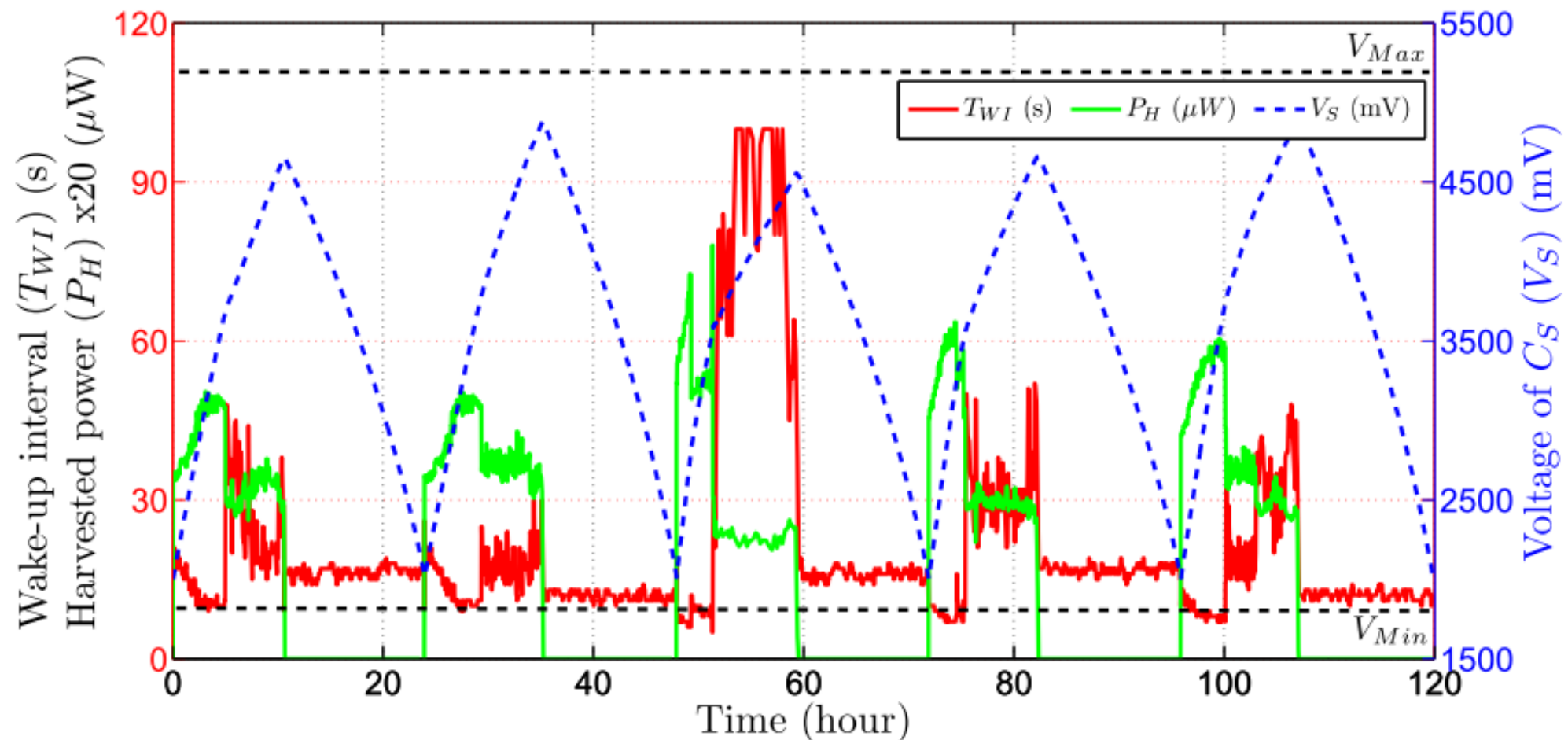
$$C_S = 1.8F, V_{Min} = 1.8V, V_{Max} = 5.2V$$

Receiver Initiated Protocol (RICER) [EYL2004]



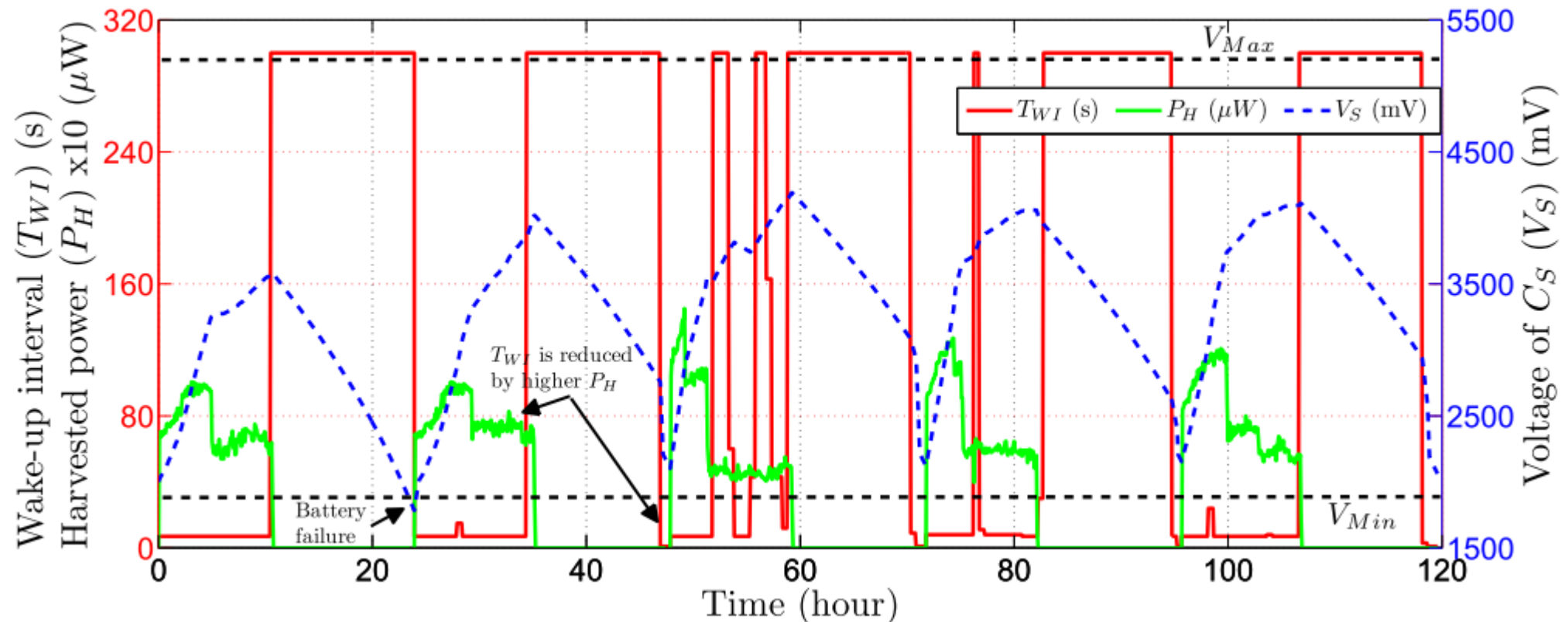
- After receiving a beacon packet (WUB), the transmitter forwards data package (DT) after Clear Channel Assessment (CCA)

BQS-PM Simulation Results



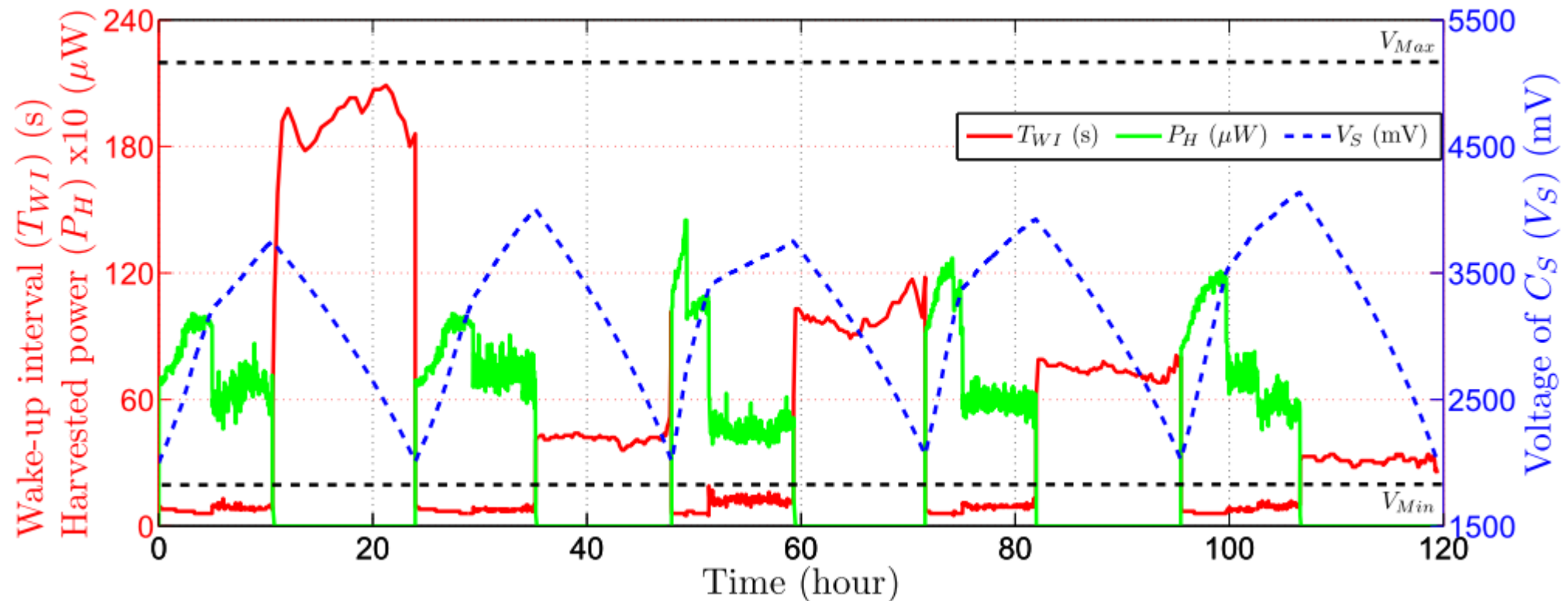
- Wake-up interval presents an inverse shape according to the harvested power
- ENO condition is satisfied after a day (24hours)
- There is no battery failure or overflow

KAN-PM Simulation Results



- Low response to the change of harvested energy
- Does not well satisfy ENO condition
- Low T_{WI} during T_{EI} but very high T_{WI} during T_{NEI}

CL-PM Simulation Results



- Fast response to the change of harvested energy
- Satisfies ENO condition, without battery failure
- Low T_{WI} during T_{EI} but very high T_{WI} during T_{NEI}

PEO-PM, KAN-PM and CL-PM Comparisons

	BQS-PM	KAN-PM	Gain (%)	CL-PM	Gain(%)
W_{EI} (s)	21.1	11.1	-47.4	10.4	-50.7
W_{NEI} (s)	18.9	125.2	84.9	111.6	83.1
W_C (s)	19.9	111.6	3.13	19.6	-0.26
<i>Gap</i>	0.2	5.6	98.0	5.13	97.9
<i>Mem</i> (words)	11	48	77.08	10	-10.00
<i>Mul</i>	16	28	42.86	9	-77.78
B_f (min)	0	18	-	0	-

- While balancing wake-up interval, W_{NEI} is significantly improved
- Difference of wake-up interval between T_{EI} and T_{NEI} is removed
- Low complexity, low memory footprint and no battery failure

Conclusions

- Power manager with Balanced Quality of Service (BQS-PM):
 - Adapt the node to **ENO, without battery failure**
 - **Improve 85%** the QoS when there is no more harvested energy
- Independence of periodic energy sources
- Low memory footprint, low complexity

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Thank You !

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