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PASTA: an efficient Proactive Adaptation approach based on STATistical model checking for self-adaptive systems

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Introduction

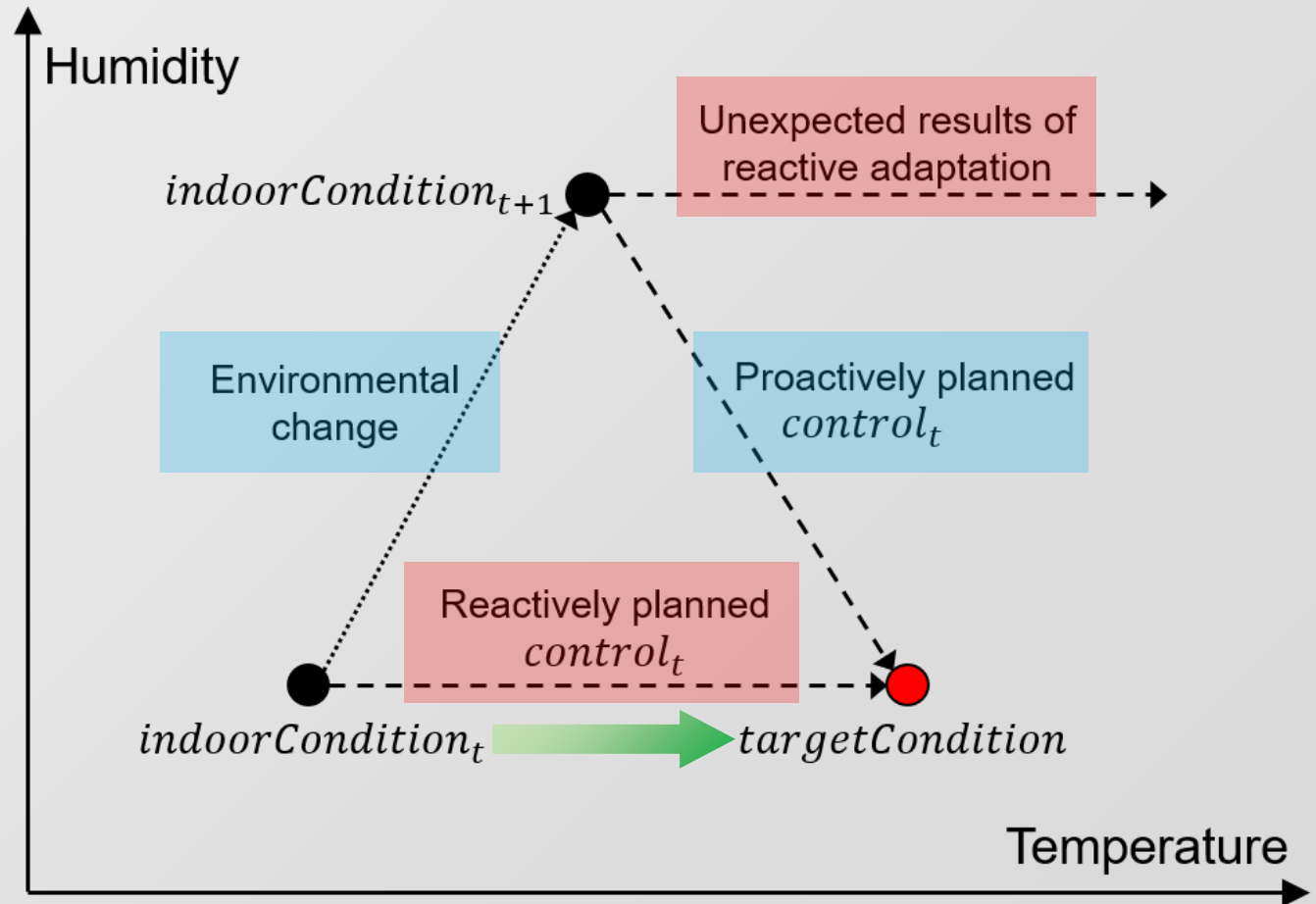
Reactive vs. Proactive Adaptation

Reactive adaptation

- An adaptation decision is made immediately responding to **current situation** of system and environmental.

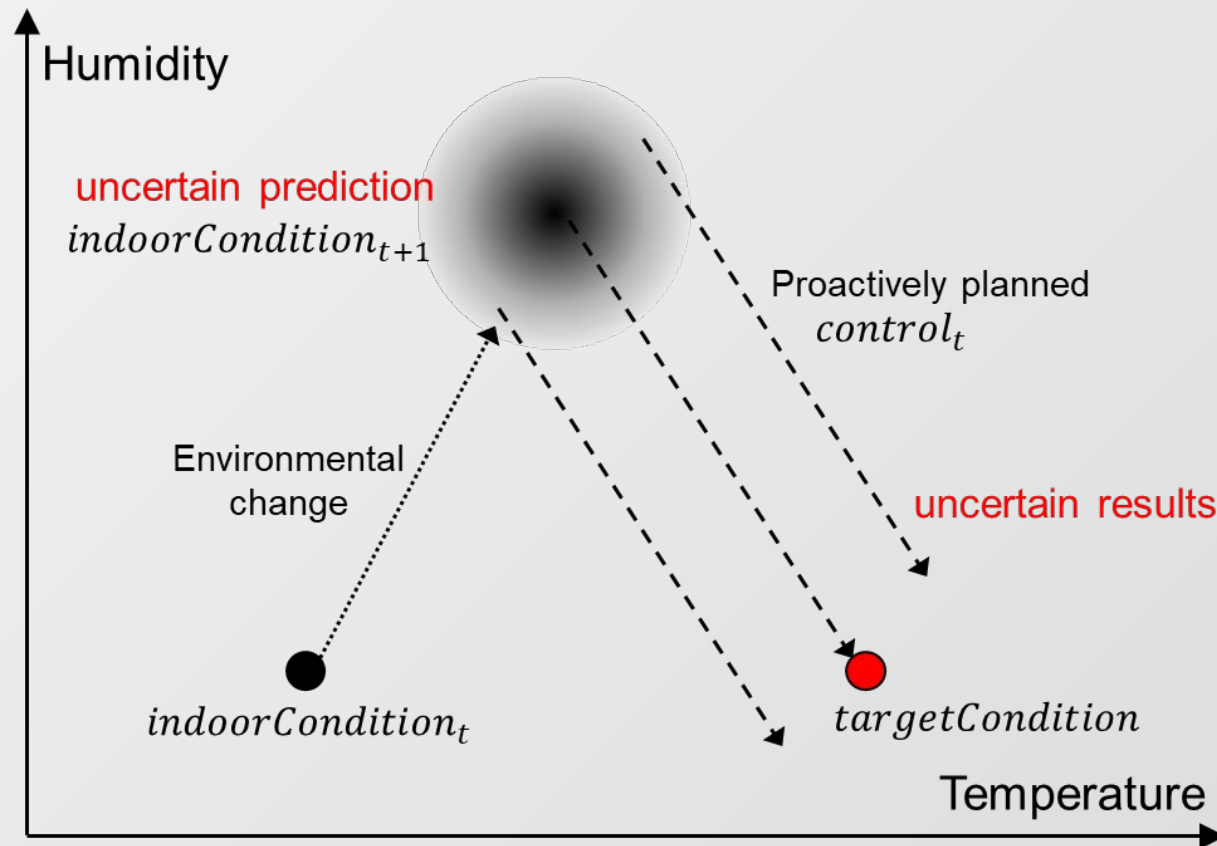
Proactive adaptation

- An adaptation decision is made based on **prediction of future situation** of system and environment.



Resolving Uncertainty in Proactive Adaptation

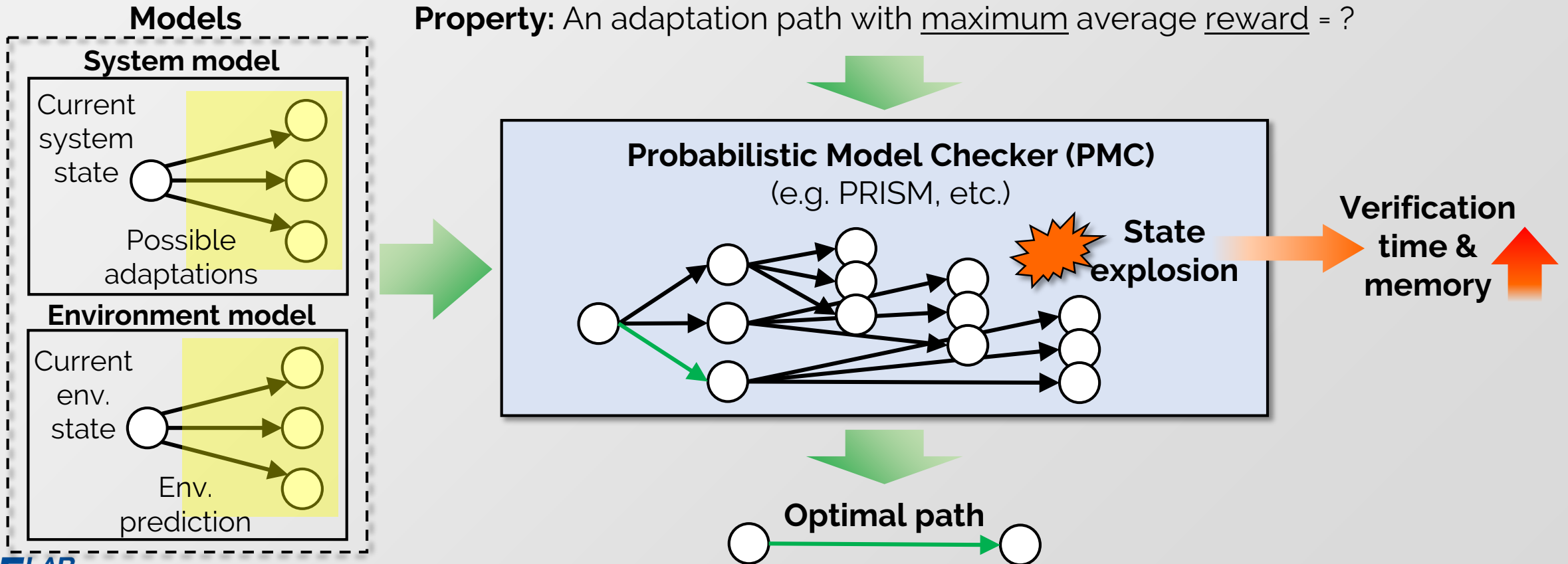
- Uncertainty of proactive adaptation could be resolved verifying adaptation tactics using Probabilistic Model Checking (PMC)



Adaptation tactics $control_t$	Probabilistically verified expected results
----->	10% satisfaction
----->	30% satisfaction
✓ chosen ----->	70% satisfaction
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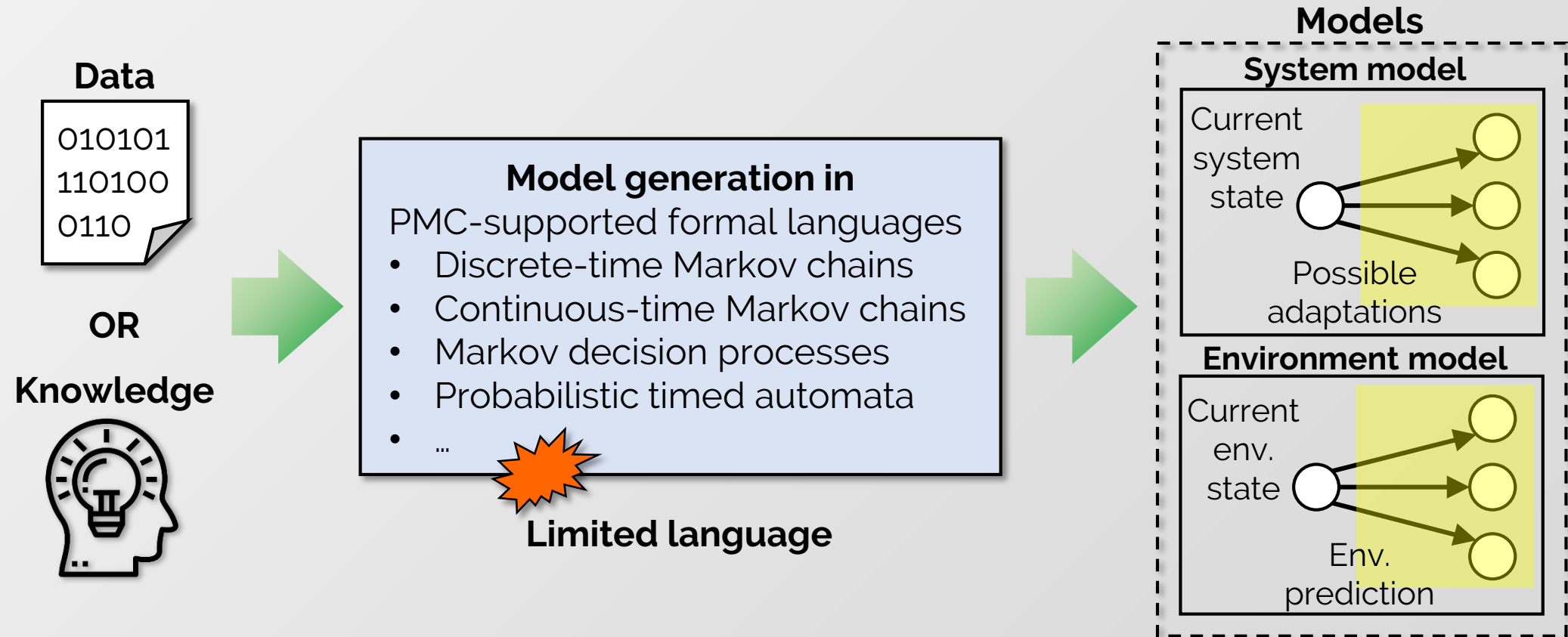
Limitations of PMC-based Proactive Adaptation (1/2)

- Due to the state explosion problem, it is difficult to apply the PMC-based approach to complex self-adaptive systems.



Limitations of PMC-based Proactive Adaptation (2/2)

- Modeling languages supported by probabilistic model checkers must be used for the modeling of the SAS and the environment.



Motivation & Goal

● Motivation

- PMC-based approach is the main stream of proactive adaptation research, but efficient alternative of that is needed to tackle the limitations of PMC.
 - ▶ State-explosion problem of PMC for complex SAS
 - ▶ Limited modeling languages supported by specific model checkers

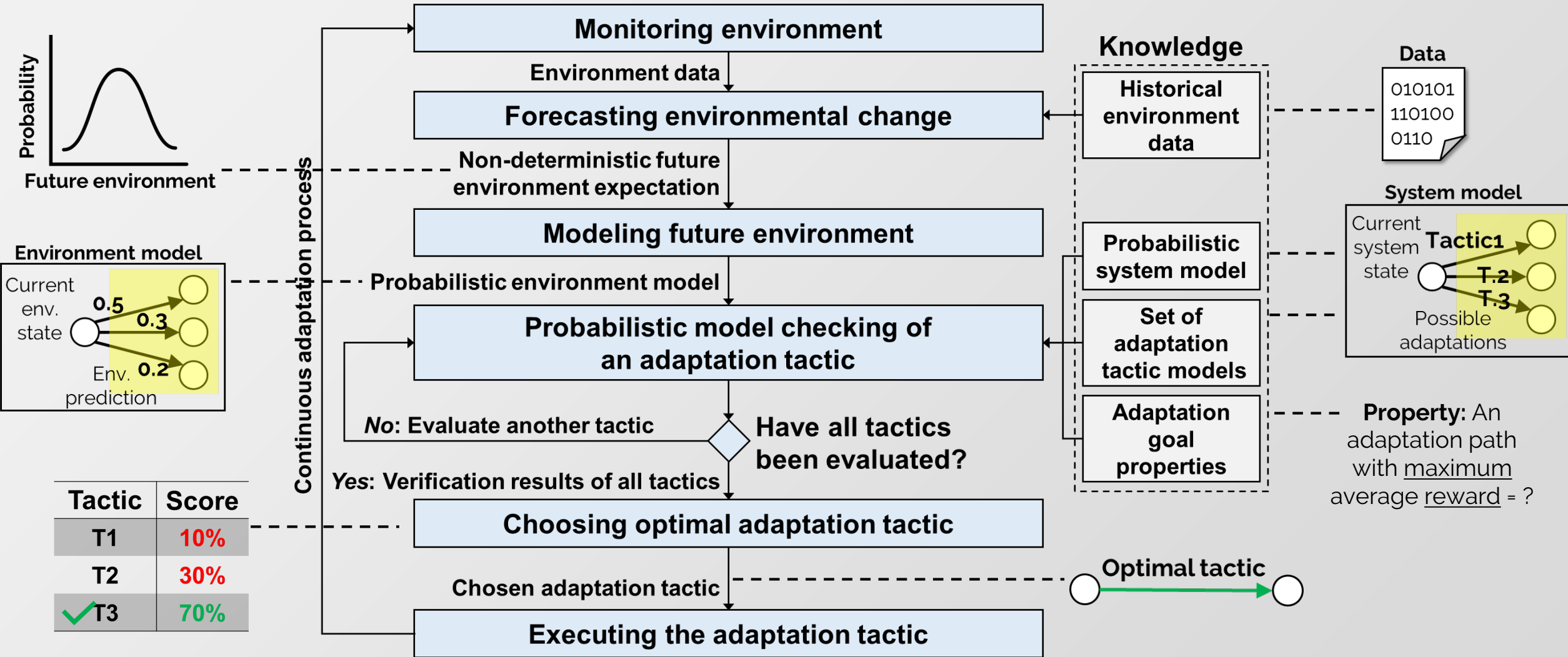
● Goal

- Proposing a general process of Statistical Model Checking (SMC)-based proactive adaptation approach that
 - ▶ is more efficient in verification (adaptation decision-making) cost
 - ▶ does not limit system and environment specification language.

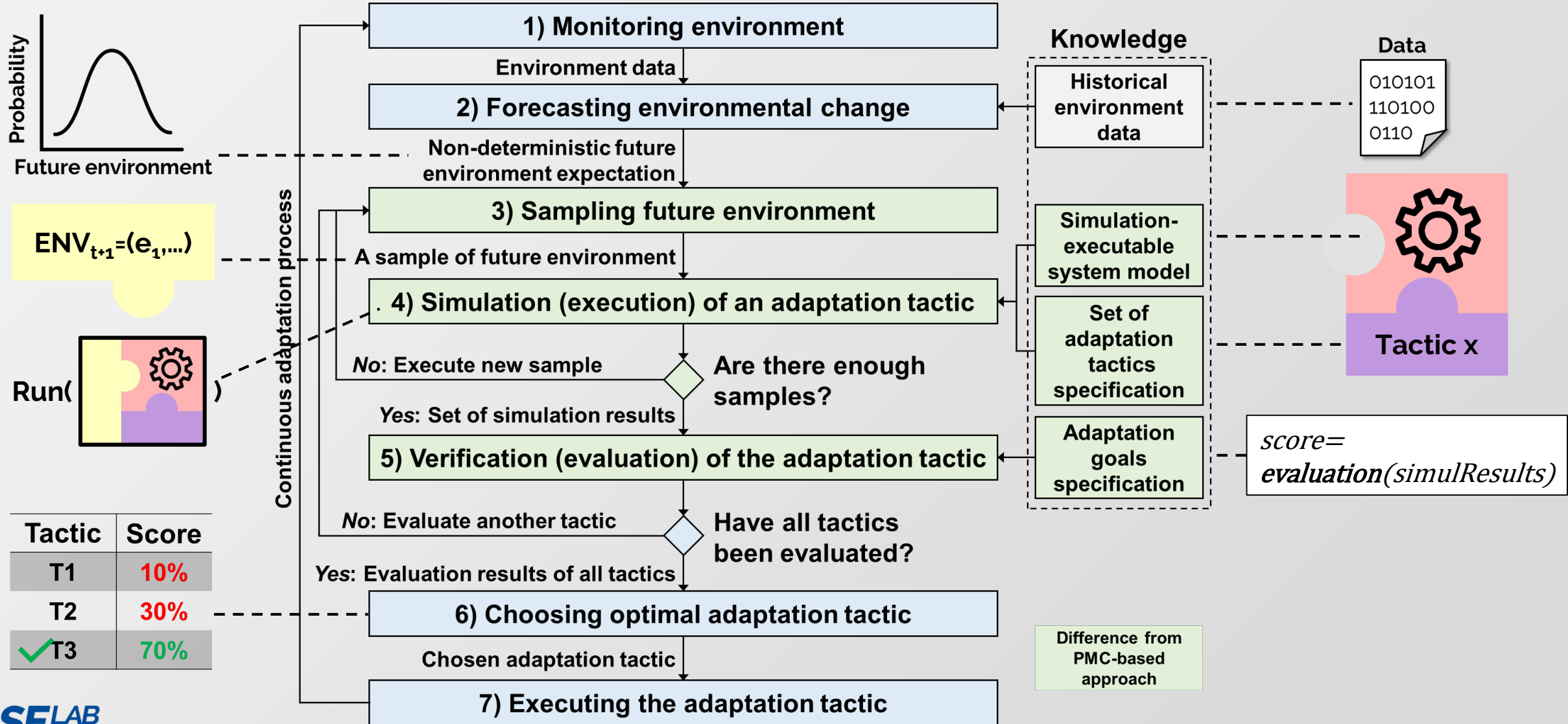
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Proactive Adaptation Based on SMC

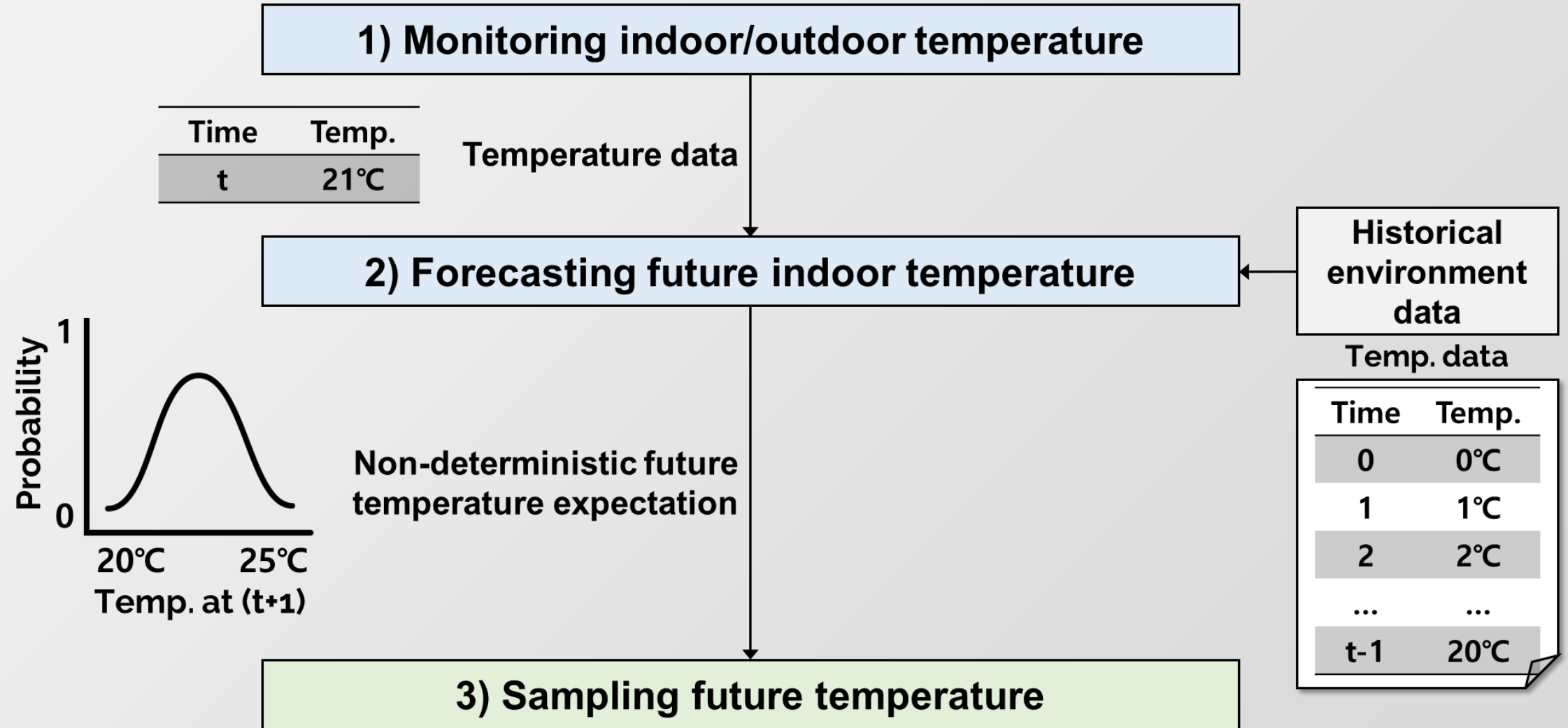
As Is: PMC-based Proactive Adaptation



To Be: PASTA Process



Smart Air Condition Controller with PASTA (1/3)



Smart Air Condition Controller with PASTA (2/3)

* Algorithm 1 in the paper



3) Sampling future temperature

temp_{t+1}=23°C Future temp. sample

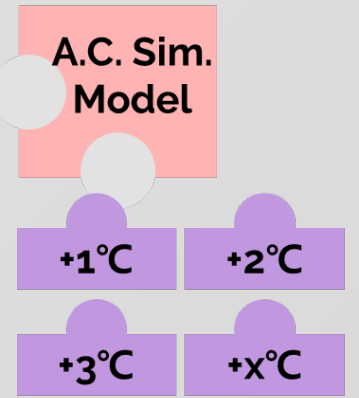
Log=Run(temp_{t+1}=23°C A.C. Sim. Model +1°C) 4) Simulation (execution) of an adaptation tactic

No: Execute new sample
Yes: Set of simulation results
Are there enough samples?

+1°C 's score=90 5) Verification (evaluation) of the adaptation tactic

No: Evaluate another tactic

- Simulation-executable system model
- Set of adaptation tactics specification
- Adaptation goals specification

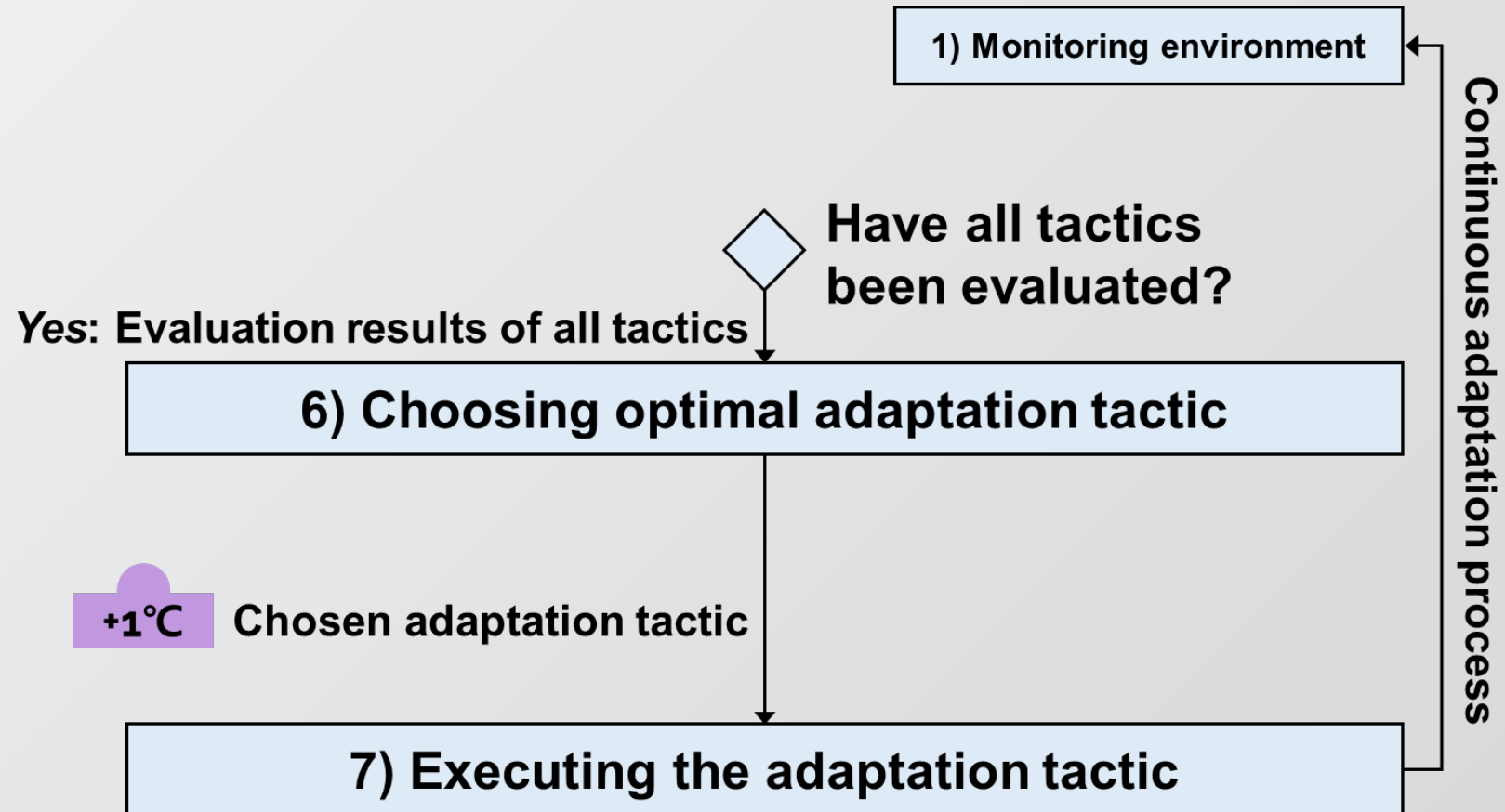


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evaluation(Logs){
  goalTemp=24 °C
  return goalTemp-
  expectedTemp
}
    
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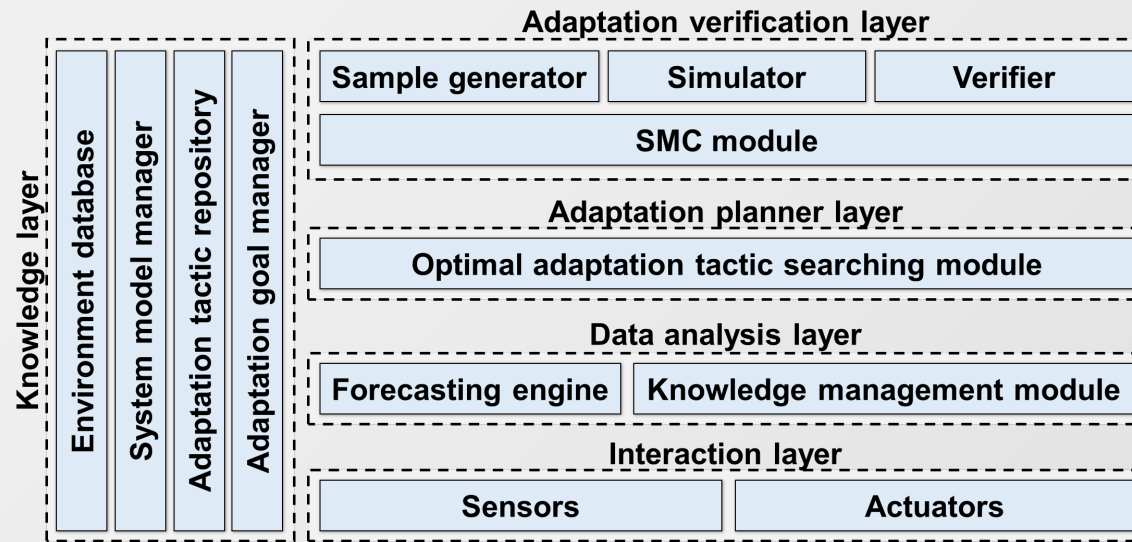
Smart Air Condition Controller with PASTA (3/3)

Tactic	Score
+1°C	90
+2°C	70
+3°C	50
...	...



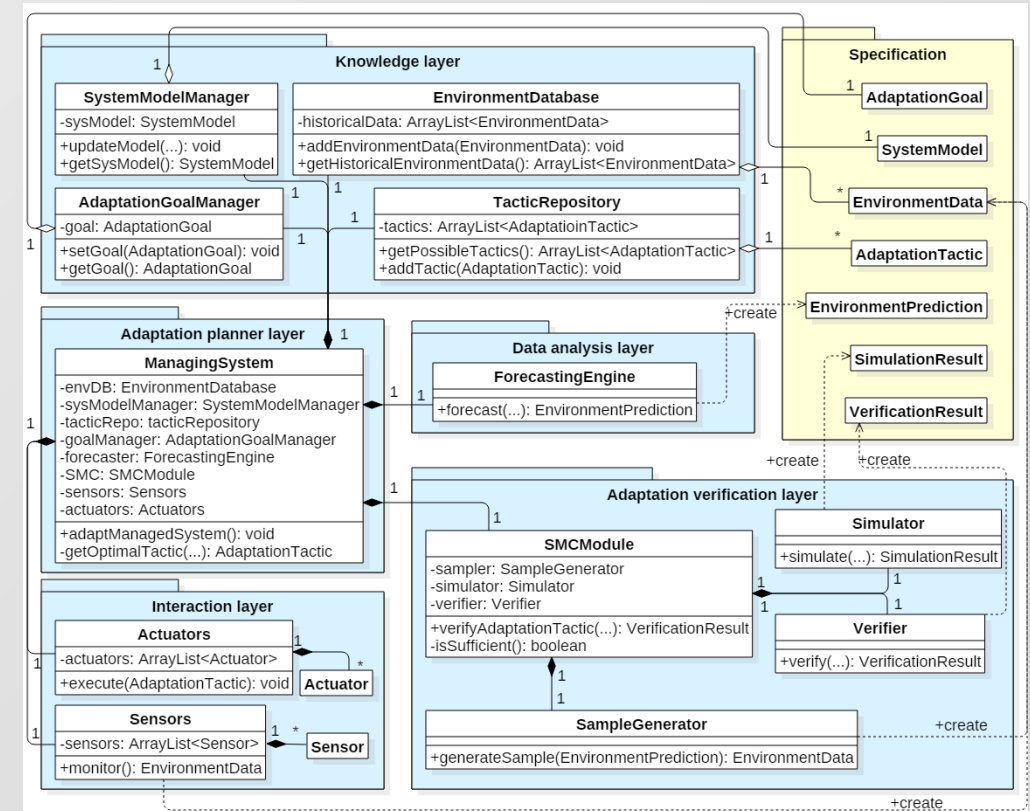
PASTA Implementation

- Reference architecture



- Open Code skeleton^[1]

- Java & Python



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Evaluation

Research Questions

- **RQ1: (Cost efficiency of PASTA)** How fast is PASTA's adaptation planning?
 - **Evaluation:** Verification time to choose an optimal tactic by SMC and PMC
- **RQ2: (Adaptation planning accuracy of PASTA)** How accurately does PASTA search for the optimal adaptation tactic?
 - **Evaluation:** Difference between tactics chosen by SMC (PASTA) and PMC (regarded as optimal)
- **RQ3: (Adaptation performance of PASTA)** How effective is the adaptation goal achievement performance of PASTA?
 - **Evaluation:** adaptation goal achievement

Evaluation Setup

● Evaluation target

- PASTA
 - ▶ Discrete time simulation in Java
 - ▶ Simple Monte Carlo Simulation SMC algorithm
- PMC-based approach^[1]
 - ▶ Modeling in MDP
 - ▶ Verification using PRISM

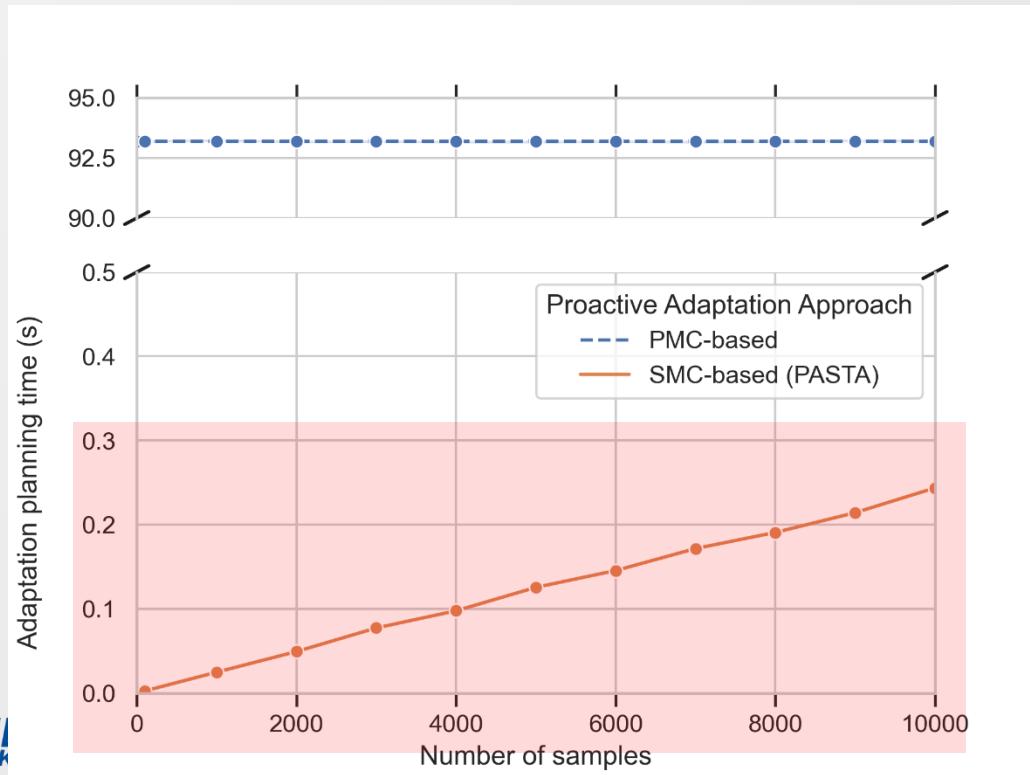
● Evaluation cases

- Air condition controller
 - ▶ Adapting air conditioner operation to achieve desired indoor temperature/humidity
- Traffic signal controller
 - ▶ Adapting traffic signal pattern to minimize waiting times in the intersection

RQ1 & 2: Cost efficiency & Adaptation Accuracy

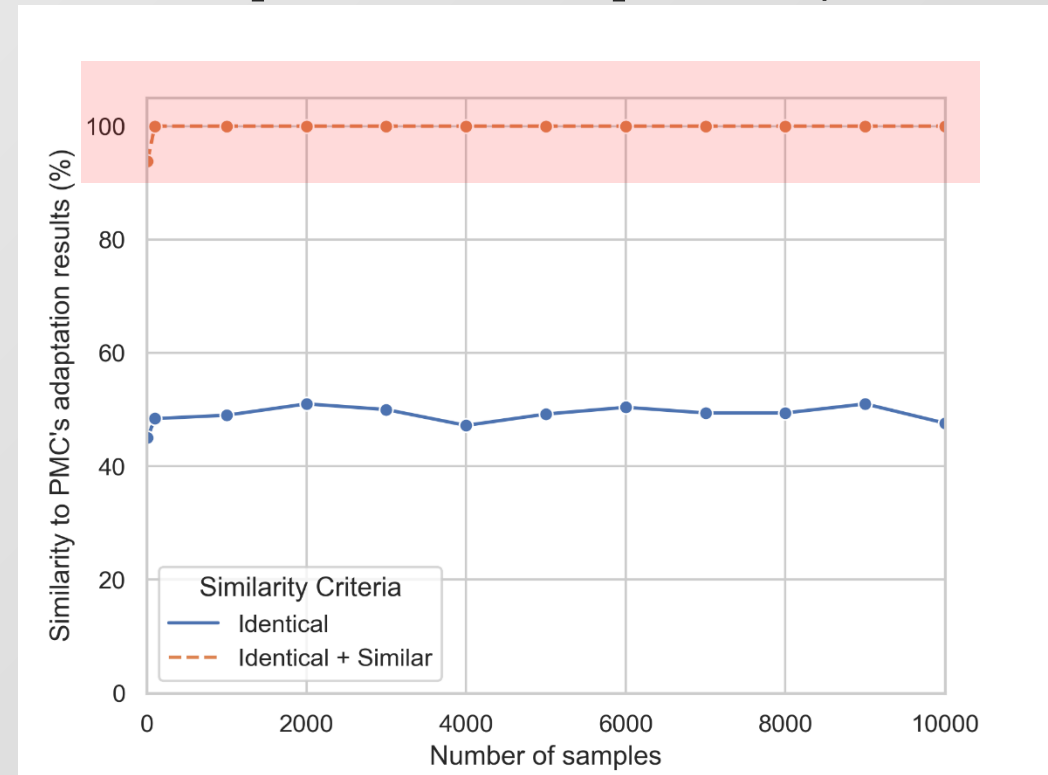
Adaptation planning time comparison

- time for step 3~6 (sampling~choosing optimal)



Adaptation tactic choice comparison

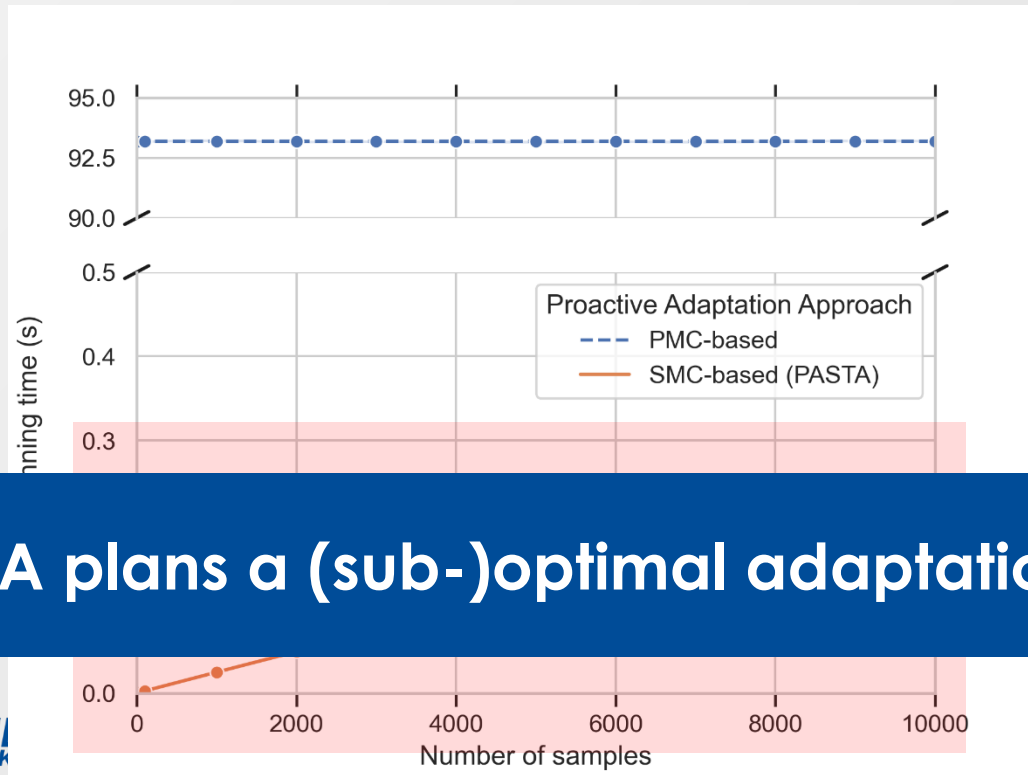
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- Similar: $PMC's\ result = SMC's\ result + e$
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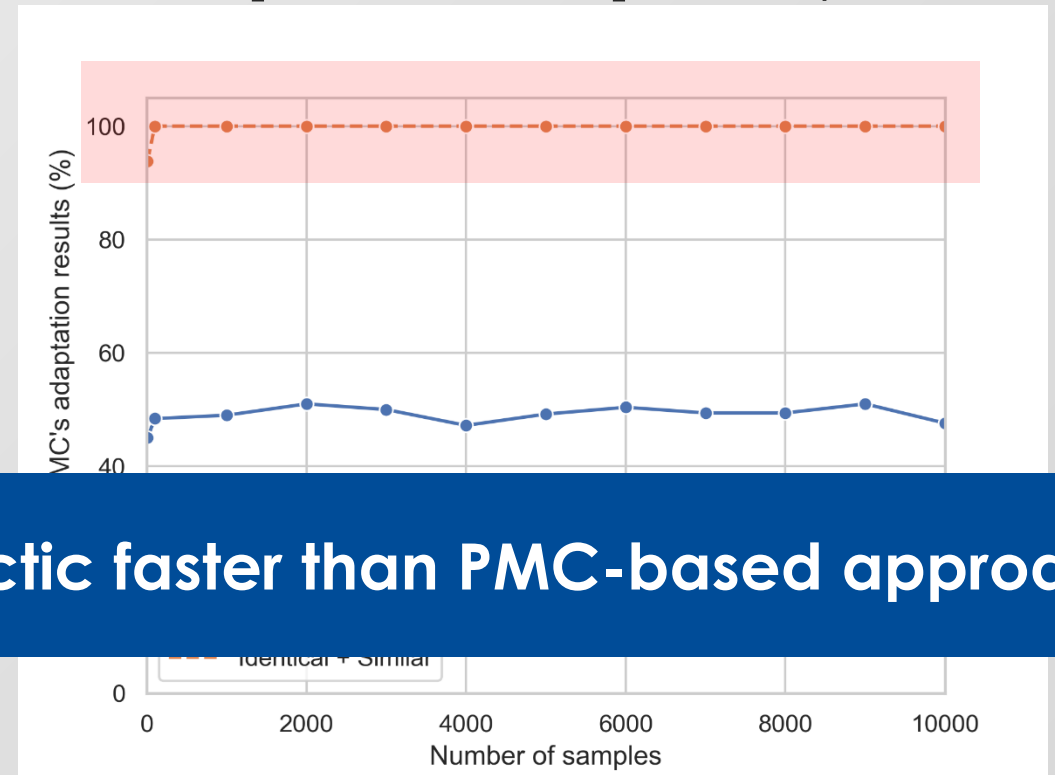
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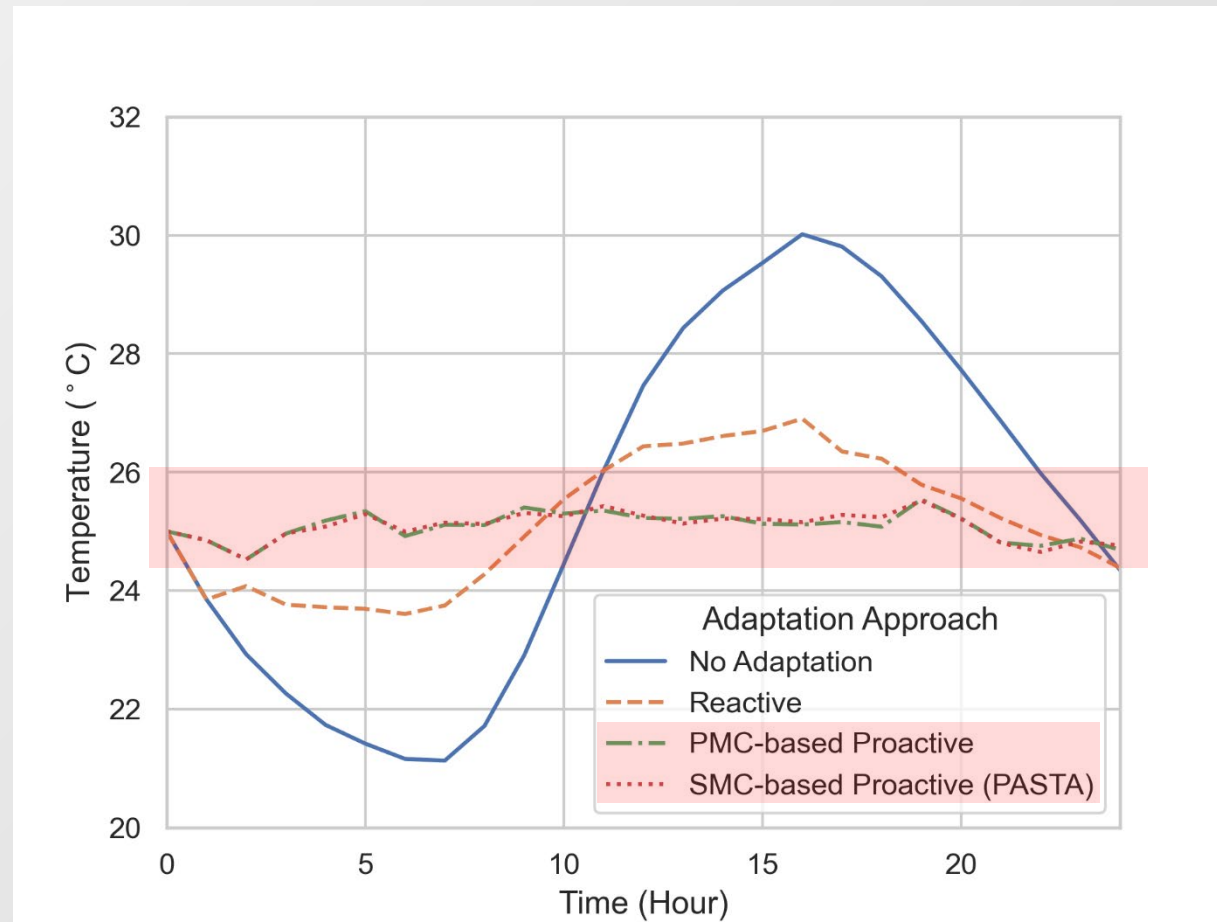


PASTA plans a (sub-)optimal adaptation tactic faster than PMC-based approach.

RQ3: Adaptation Performance of PASTA

● Goal achievement (domain-specific) comparison

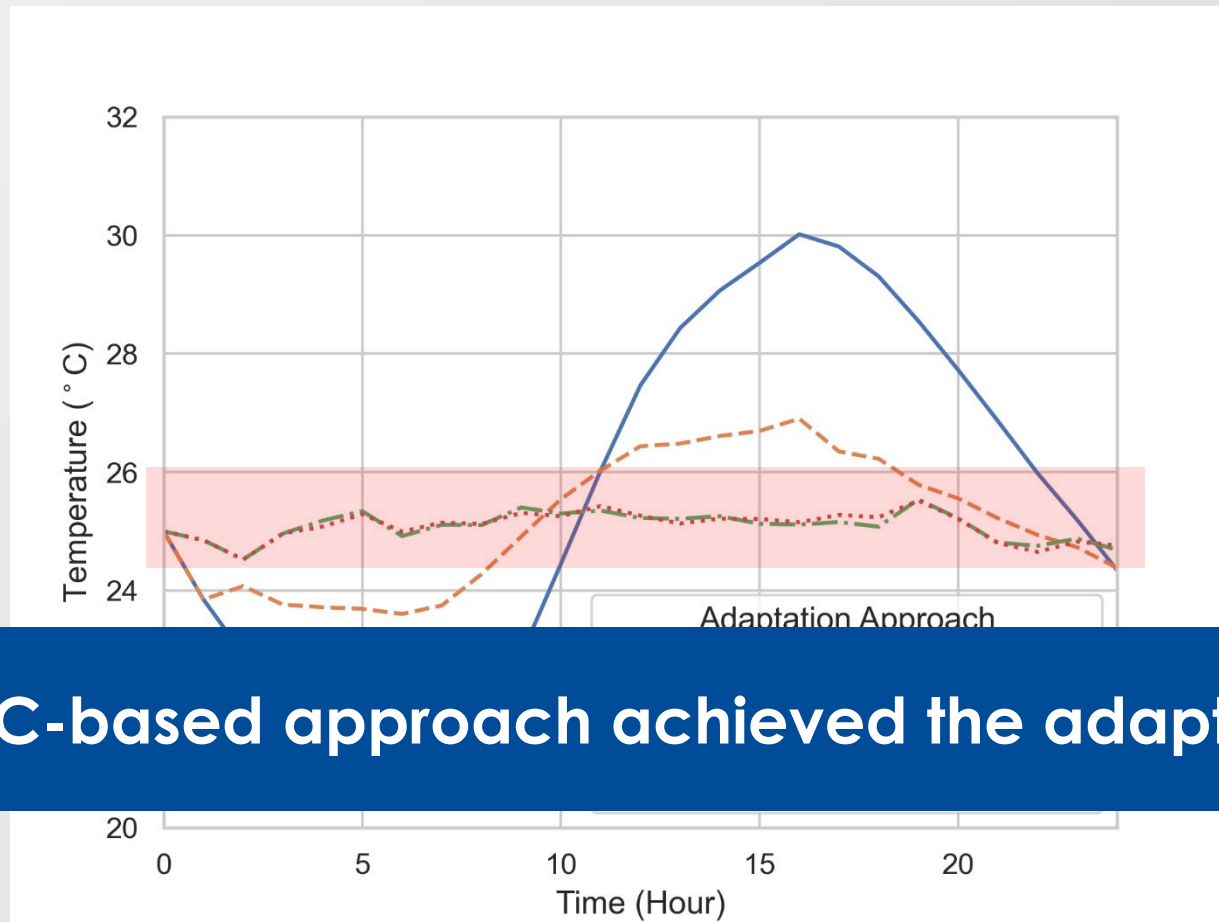
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RQ3: Adaptation Performance of PASTA

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Both PMC- and SMC-based approach achieved the adaptation goal similarly.

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Conclusion

Summary

- PASTA was proposed as an cost-efficient alternative to PMC-based proactive adaptation approaches.

	PMC-based approach	SMC-based approach (PASTA)
Adaptation cost	Forecasting time	Forecasting time
	Modeling time (<i>relatively high</i>)	Sampling time (<i>relatively low</i>)
	Probabilistic verification time (<i>relatively high</i>)	Statistical verification (simulation + evaluation) time (<i>relatively low</i>)
Adaptation accuracy	Theoretically correct adaptation based on the given models (<i>high</i>)	Statistically good adaptation based in the limited confidence (<i>relatively low</i>)
System specification	Modeling languages supported by model checkers must be used.	If the model can be simulated, it is not limited to a particular language.
Proper application	Safety-critical system	Real-time system

Thank You.

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