



*Java Environment for Parallel Realtime  
Development*

# Echtzeit-Java für Mehrkernsysteme

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# Outline

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- Project Overview
- Work Structure
- Correctness of Parallel Applications



# Jeopard Project Overview



- ECs 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme
- Timeframe:  
Jan 2008 – June 2010
- Management lead:  
The Open Group
- Technological lead:  
aicas GmbH
- Total Budget: 3.3Mio€



# Jeopard Project Overview



## ■ 10 Project Partners



# Project Goal

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- Provide a platform independent software development environment for
  - ◆ complex,
  - ◆ safe,
  - ◆ realtime,
  - ◆ multicore systems.
  
- Leverage off existing technology and past projects:
  - ◆ Java, RTSJ (JSR 1&282), SC-Java (JSR 302)
  - ◆ AJACS, HIDOORS, HIJA, FRESCOR



# Multilayered Approach

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- Applications
- Tools
- API (Java and C)
- Java VM
- Operating Systems (RTOS)
- CPU Architecture



# Project Work Structure

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WP 2: Architecture Layer





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WP 2: Architecture Layer



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# Project Work Structure



- Multi-Core Java Processor (JOP)
- Synchronization between Processors
- Future Non-Uniform-Memory-Architectures

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WP 2: Architecture Layer



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WP 3: OS Layer

WP 2: Architecture Layer



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# Project Work Structure



- Parallel Partitioning RTOS
- HW Abstraction Layer
- Mapping: Java Threads ↔ OS Threads



WP 3: OS Layer

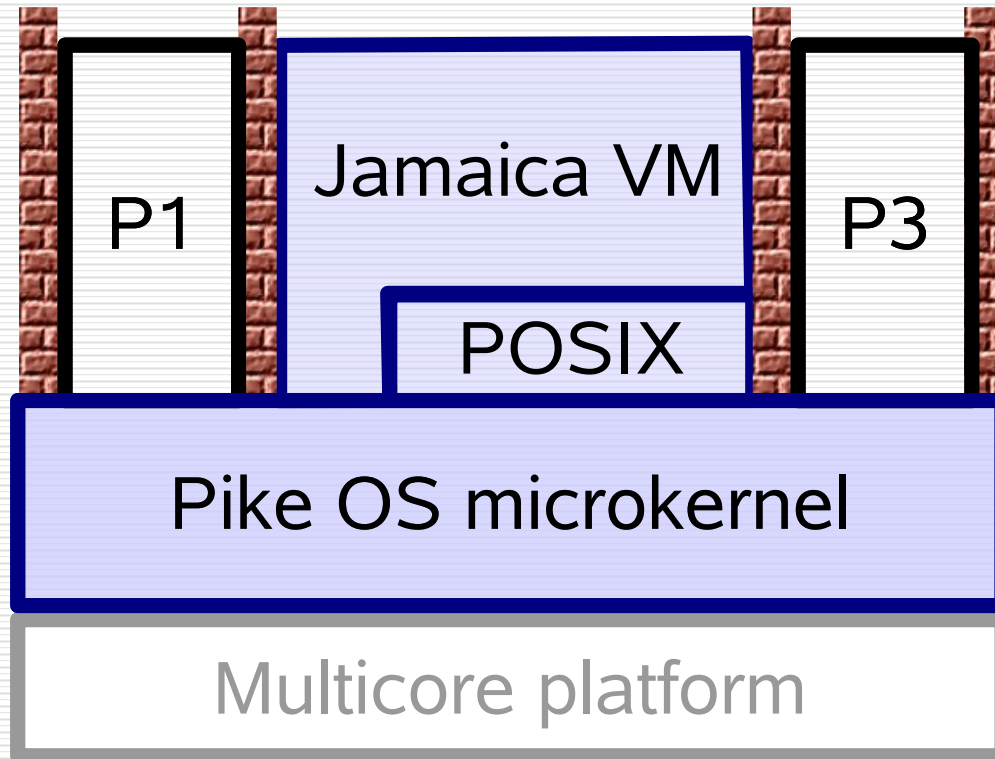
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- Example for Partitioning



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WP 4: Virtual Machine Layer

WP 3: OS Layer

WP 2: Architecture Layer



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# Project Work Structure



- Parallel Realtime JVM
- Parallel Realtime GC
- Parallel Monitors etc.



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WP 5: API Layer

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# Project Work Structure



- Multicore OS-level APIs
- Multicore Java-API extensions (RTSJ)
- Standardization



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WP 6: Analysis Tools

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- Static Analysis
- Fresco Contract Model for Java
- Concurrent Unit Testing

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# Project Work Structure

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WP 7: Validation

WP 6: Analysis Tools

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# Project Work Structure



RadioLabs 



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# Project Work Structure



- Multicore Radar
- SW Radio
- Onboard Aircraft Control

WP 7: Validation

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RadioLabs 



# Project Work Structure



WP 1: Requirements Analysis

WP 7: Validation

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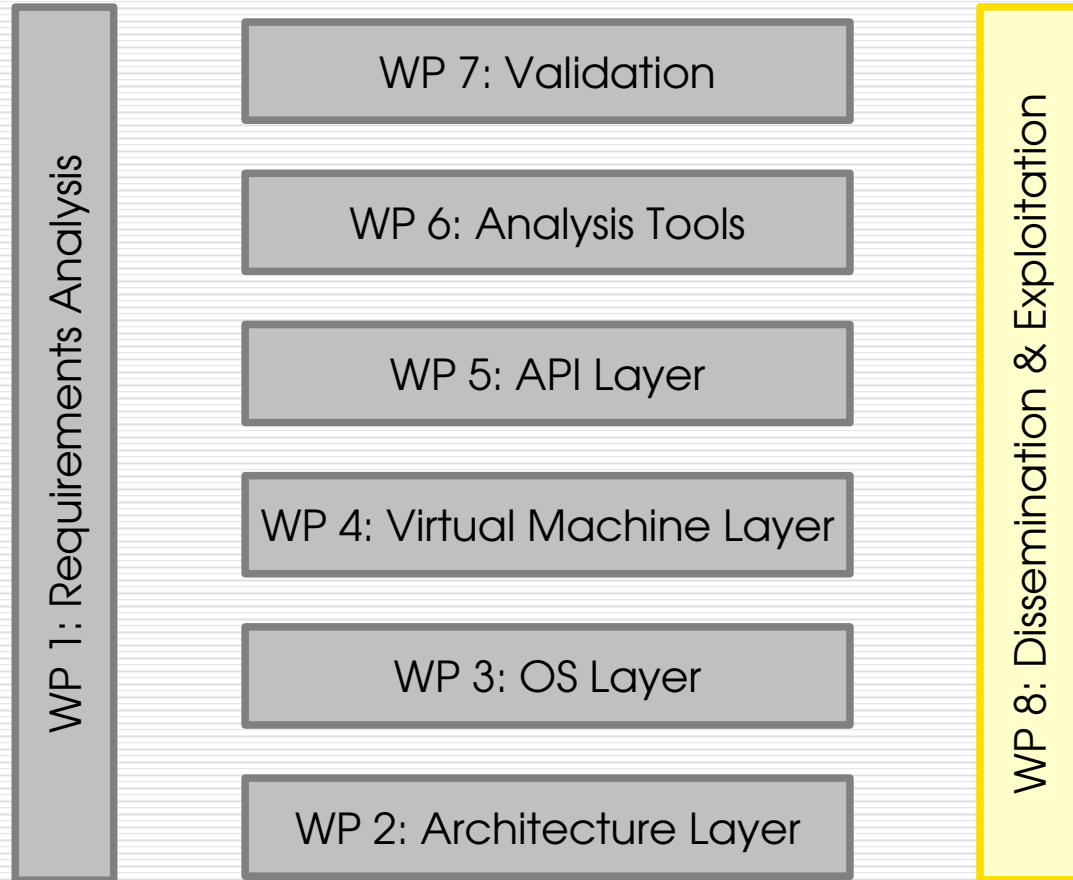
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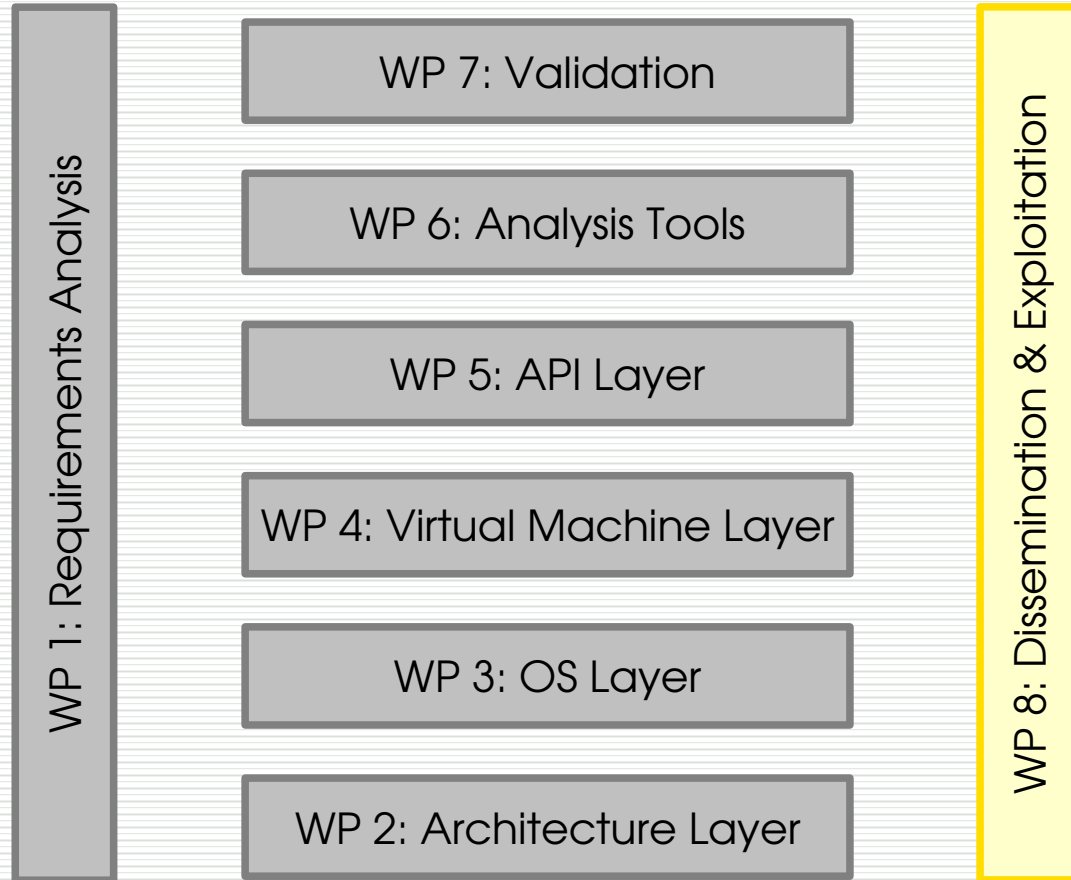


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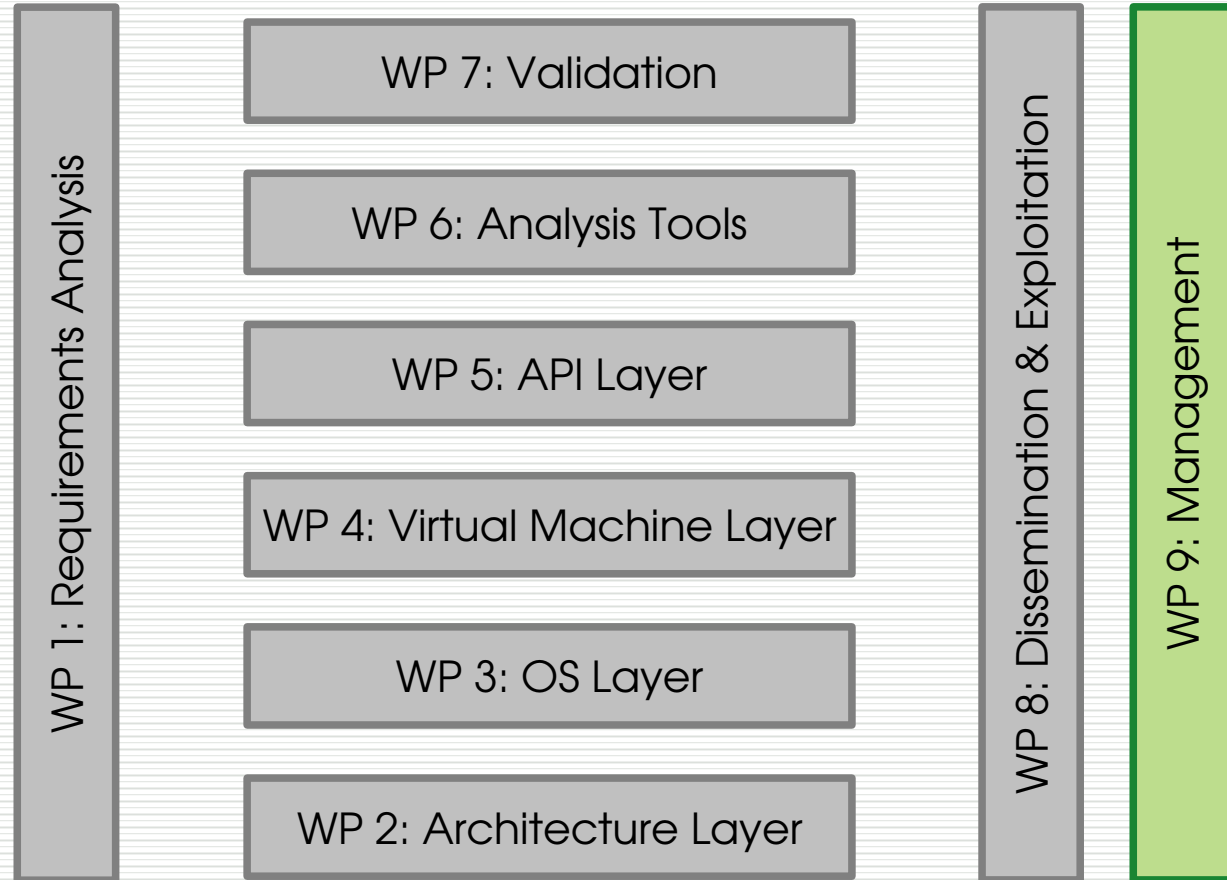


## ■ Results Public

- ◆ standards
- ◆ open source
- ◆ products



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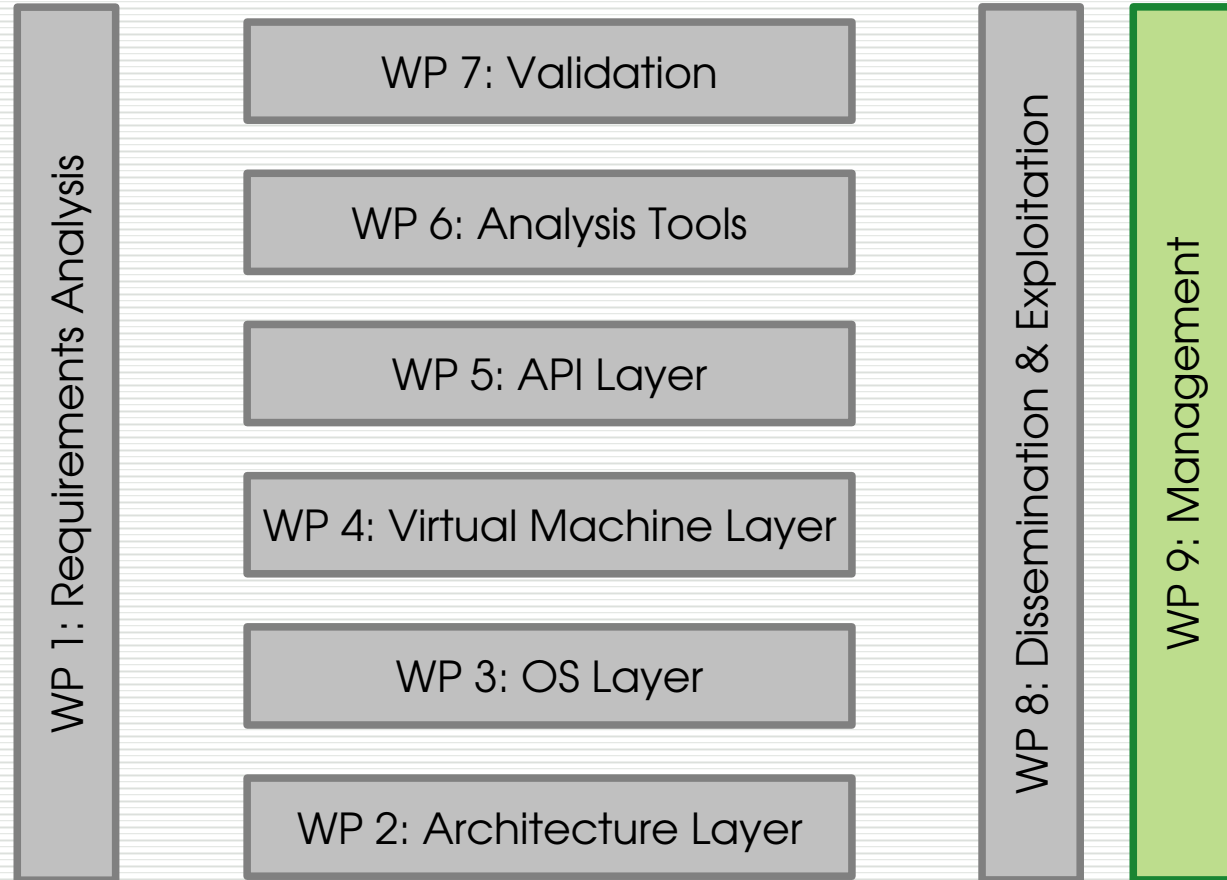




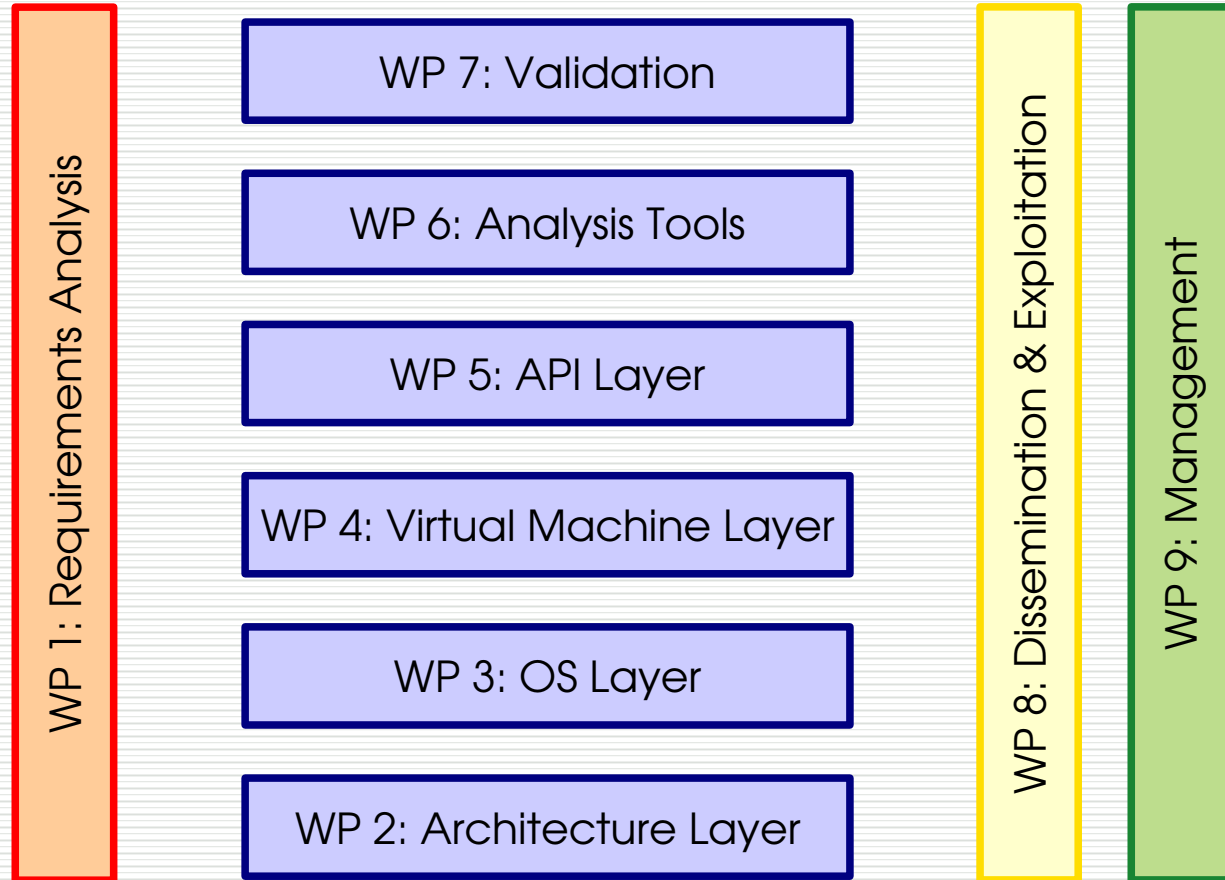
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- Strict steering



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What does JEOPARD  
bring to you?



# New Java APIs

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- RTSJ Extensions for multi-core systems
  - ◆ CPU affinity:

```
realtimeThread.setAffinity(bitset)
```

- restrict thread to given CPU(s)
- be unaffected by threads on different CPUs
- avoid slowdown due to simultaneous multithreading



# New Java APIs

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- Additional Parallel APIs
  - ◆ Parallel *forall*:

```
new ParallelSet(set).forall(actn);
```

- permit parallel execution
- leave the details (# CPUs, # threads, etc.) open
- make actual assignment of threads, CPUs, priorities on target



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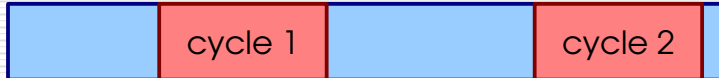
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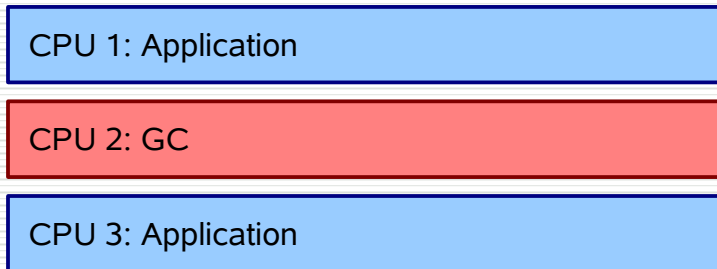
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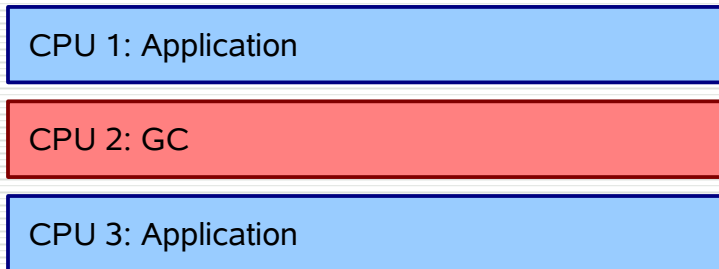
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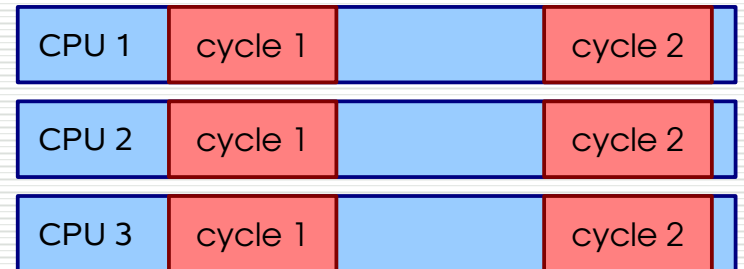
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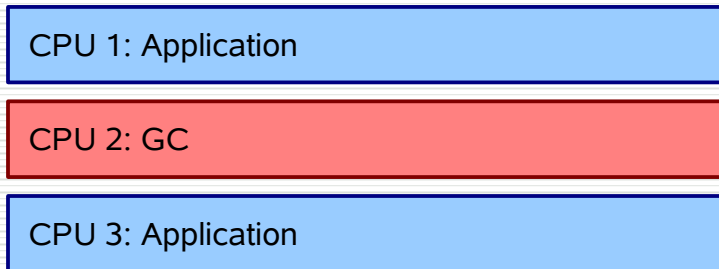
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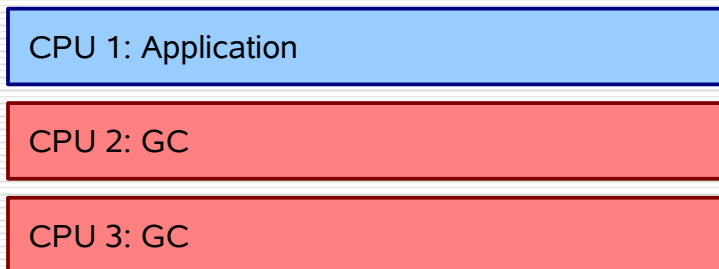
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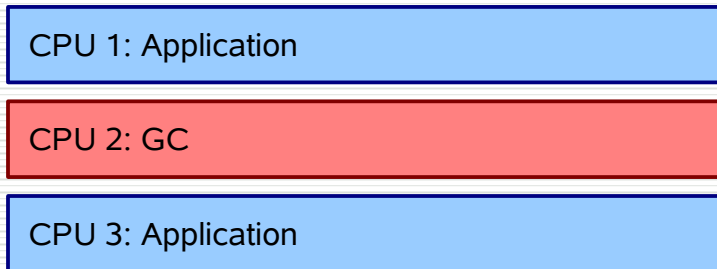
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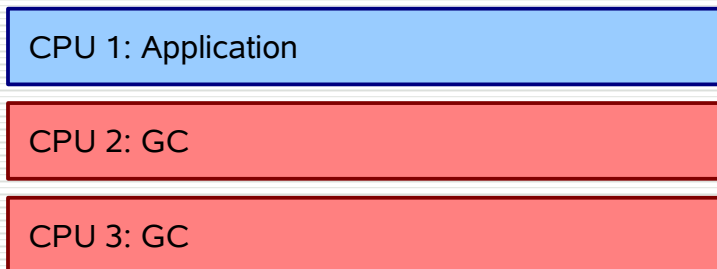
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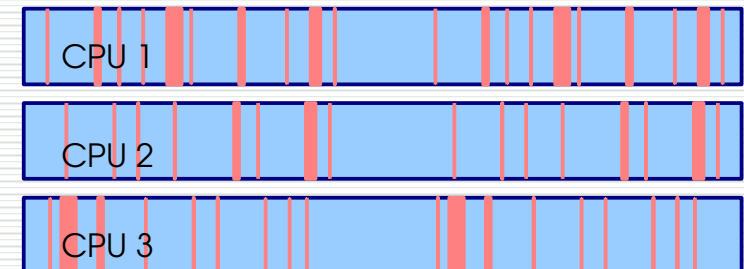
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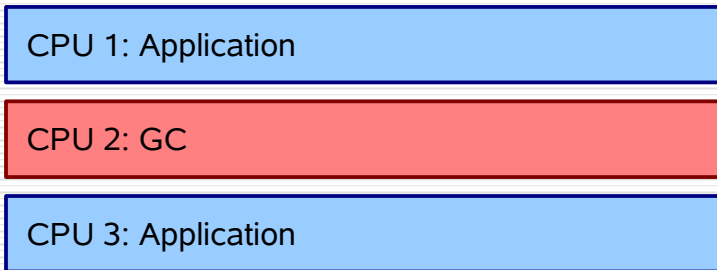
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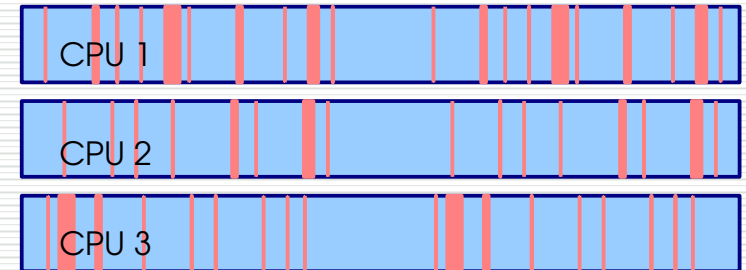
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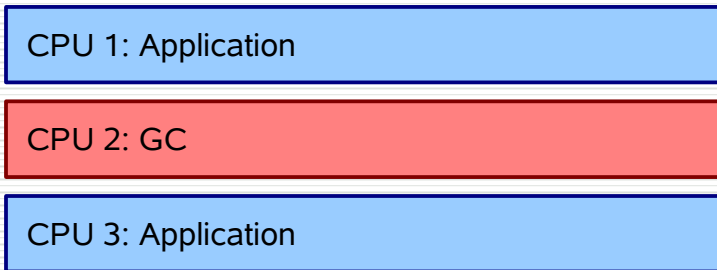
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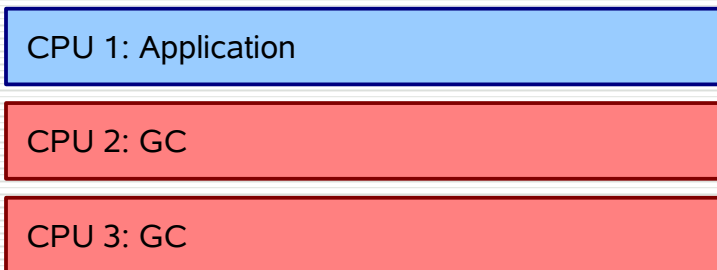
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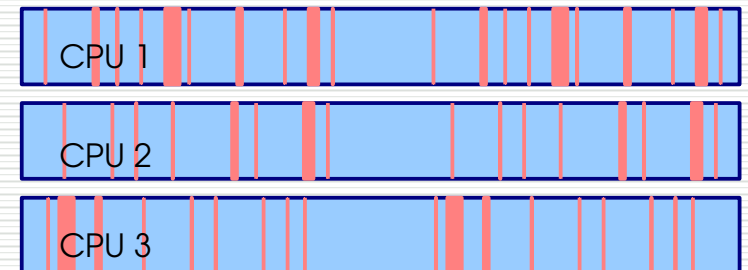
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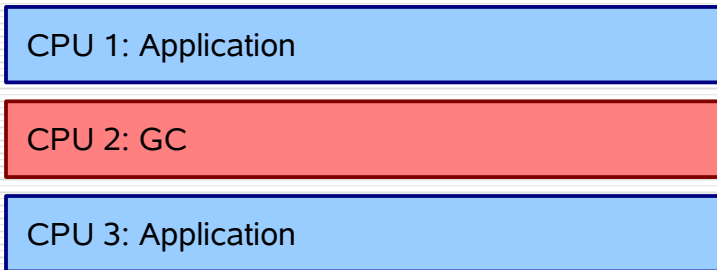
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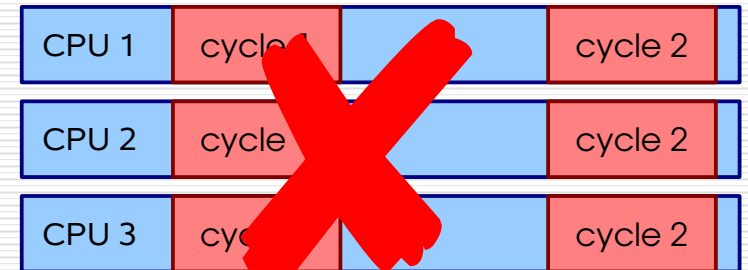
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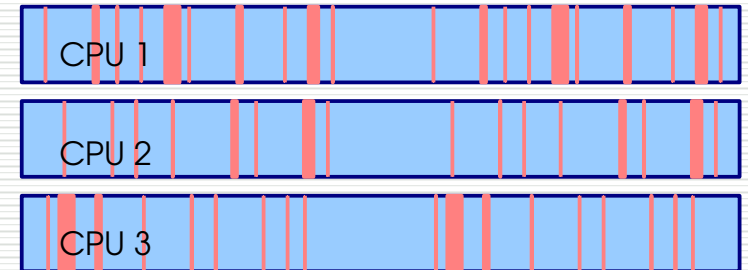
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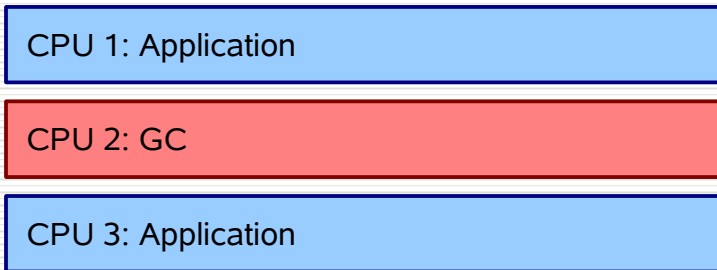
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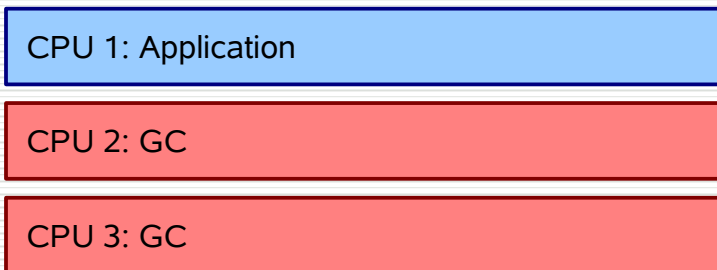
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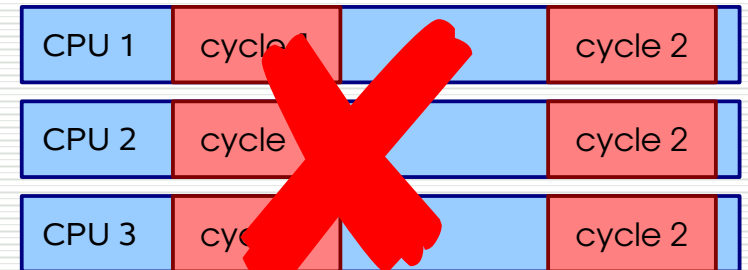
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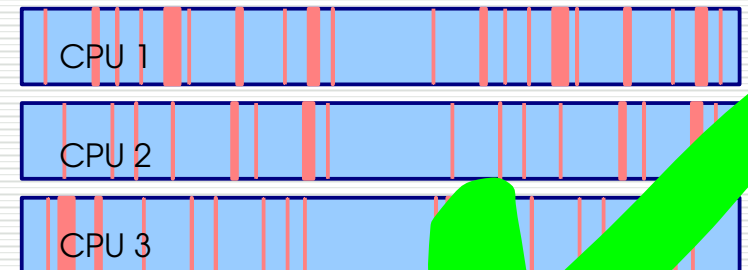
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## ■ First Results

- ◆ Full parallel GC not always possible
- ◆ Need shallow heap graph!
- ◆ GC implementation has to avoid contention:
  - use CPU local structures
  - uses compare-and-set on different memory locations
- ◆ Free list representation under investigation



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- ◆ variable *i* might be incremented only once!
- ◆ Failure is very unlikely on single-CPU!
- ◆ Likelihood on multi-core is much higher
- ◆ 'Heisenbug': If you try to look at it, it disappears



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```
hashmap.put(a,b);
```

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```
x = hashmap.get(y);
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### ◆ Thread 1: legal execution sequence:

```
ref = new Whatever(); tmp = new Whatever();  
refSet = true; refSet = true;  
ref = tmp;
```

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- Parallel Unit Testing
  - ◆ test possible execution paths for JUnit tests
  - ◆ automatically generate coverage of relevant parallel interleavings

# Conclusion

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- JEOPARD Currently at the end of the Requirements Phase
- Design and Development is starting
- We expect first project-internal prototypes late in 2008
- Full toolchain and validation results in mid 2010





# Conclusion

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- Results will become available at

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