

Butterfly Attack: Adversarial Manipulation of Temporal Properties of Cyber-Physical Systems

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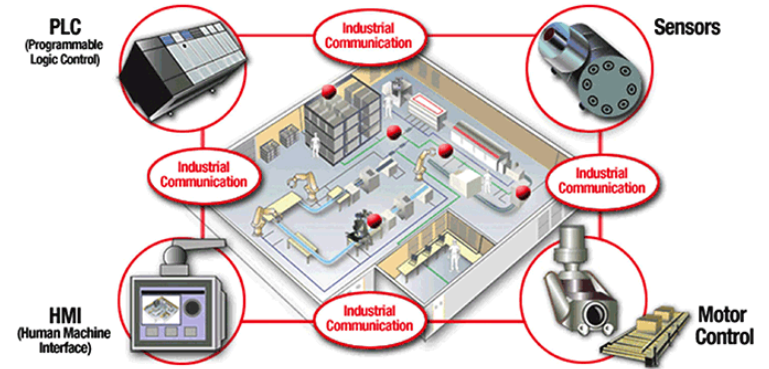
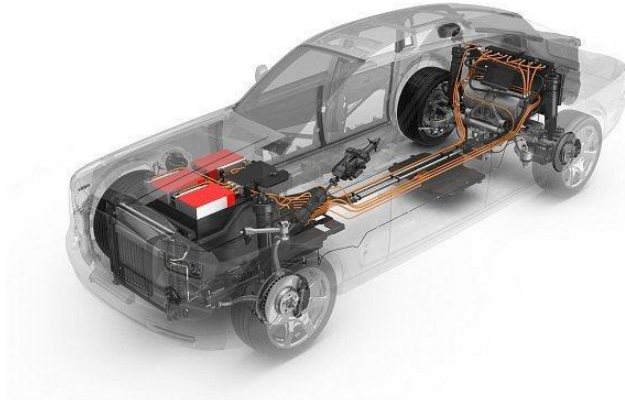
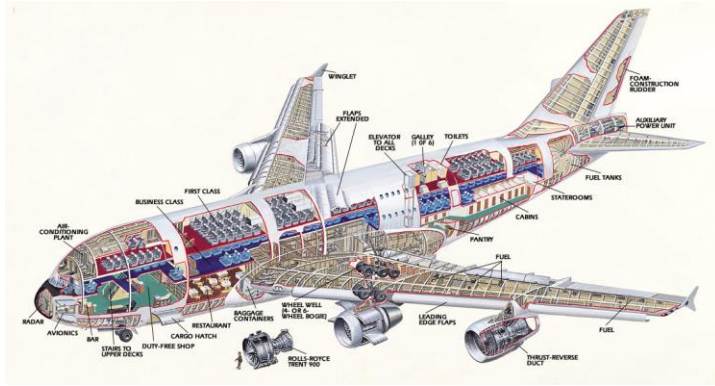
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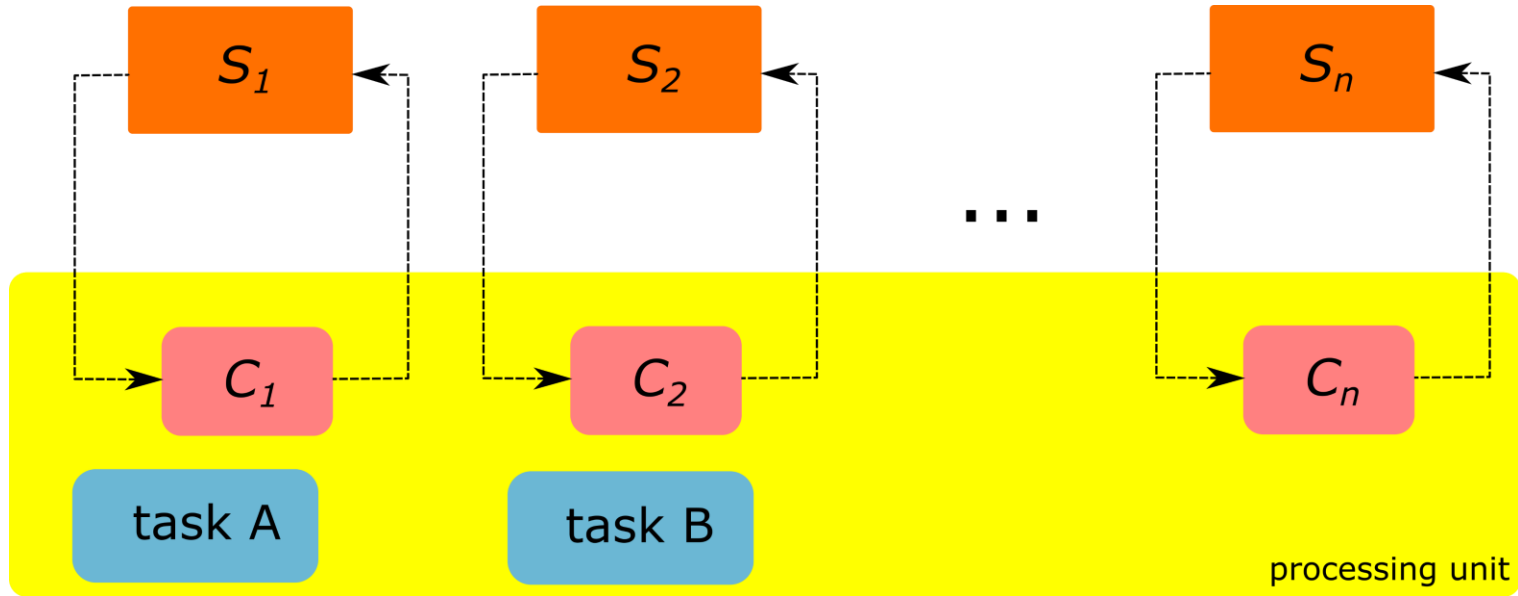
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Cyber-Physical Systems

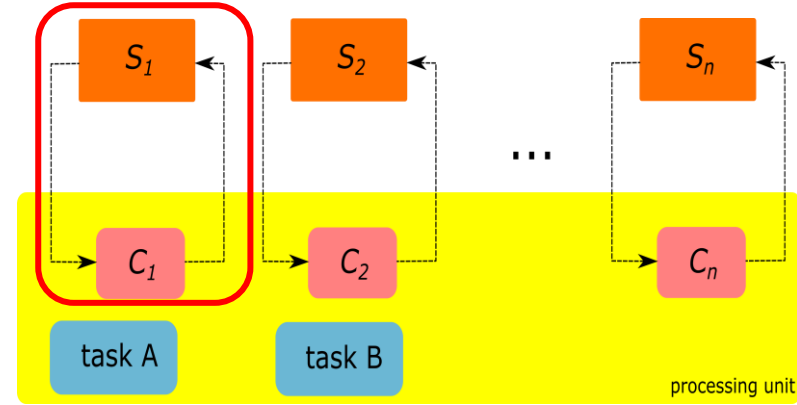


Shared Processor



- ❖ Shared platform
- ❖ Mixed-critical tasks
- ❖ Control applications

Latency, Jitter

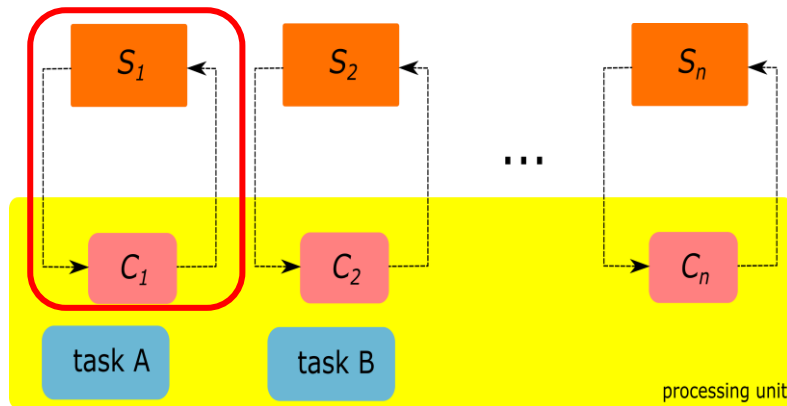


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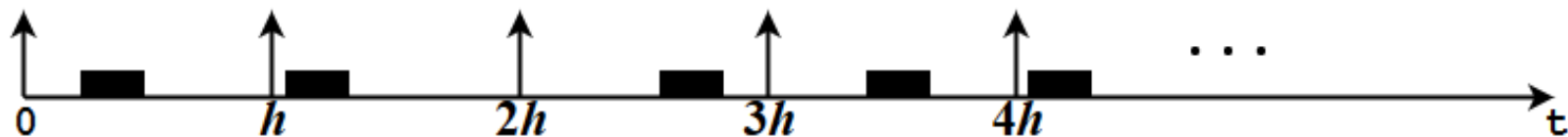
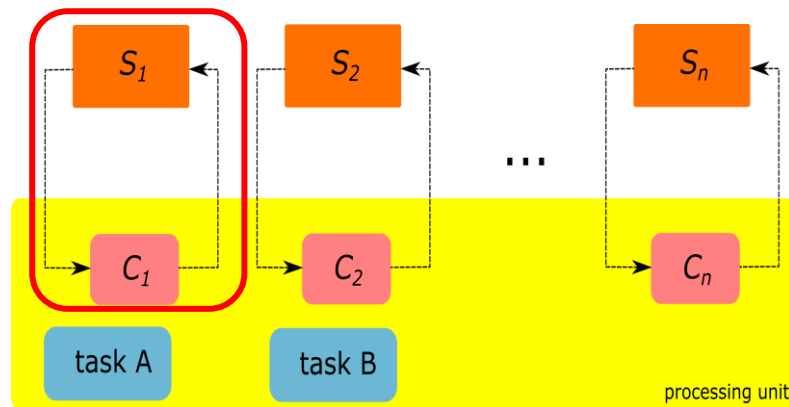


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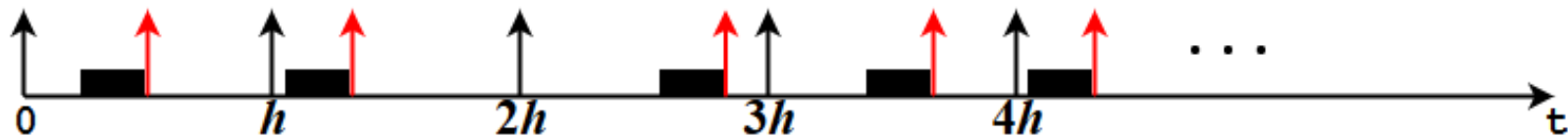
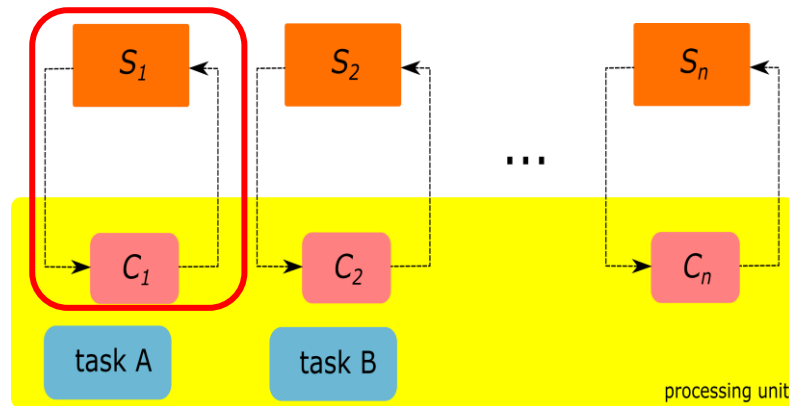


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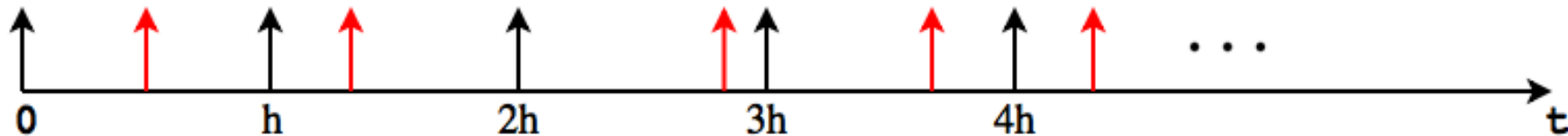
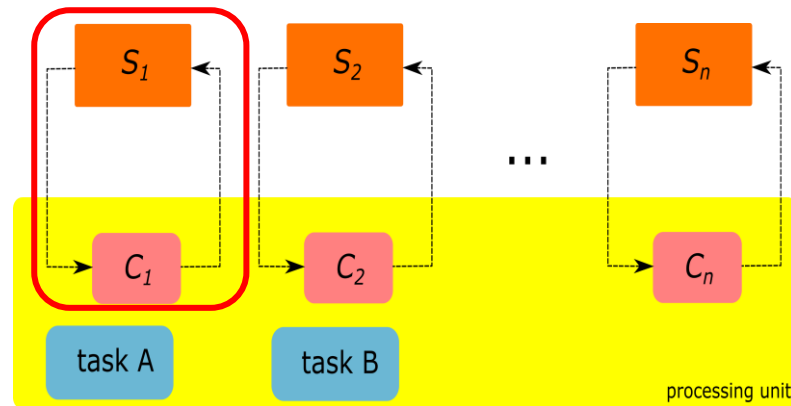


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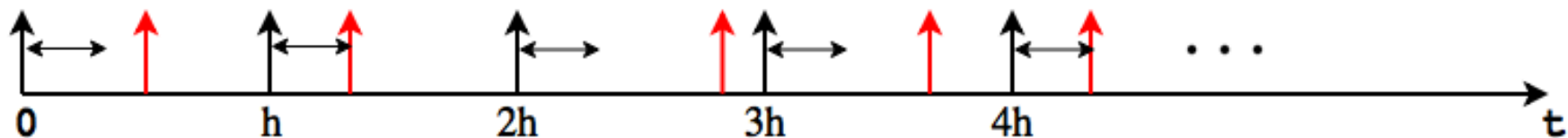
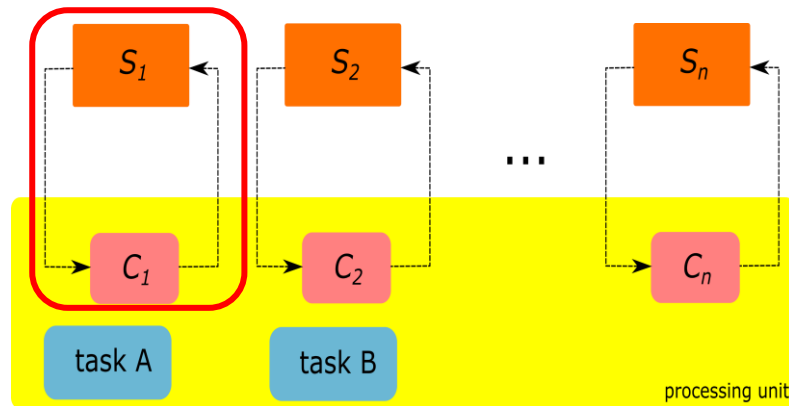


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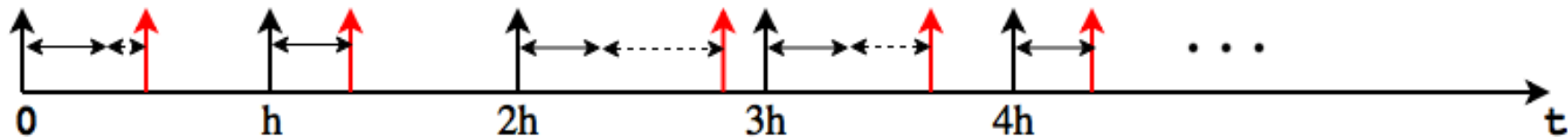
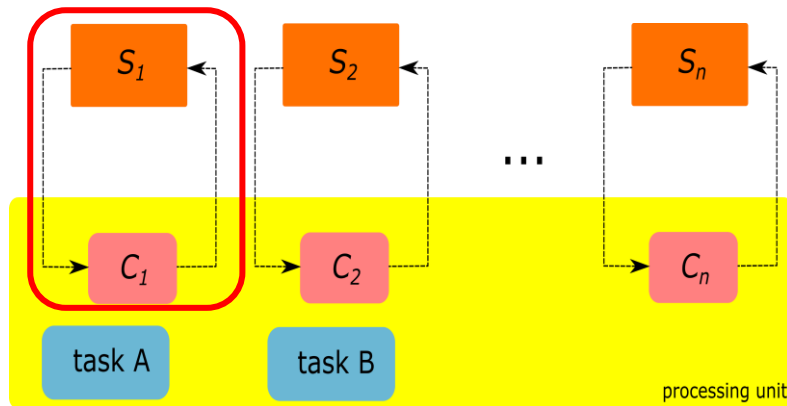


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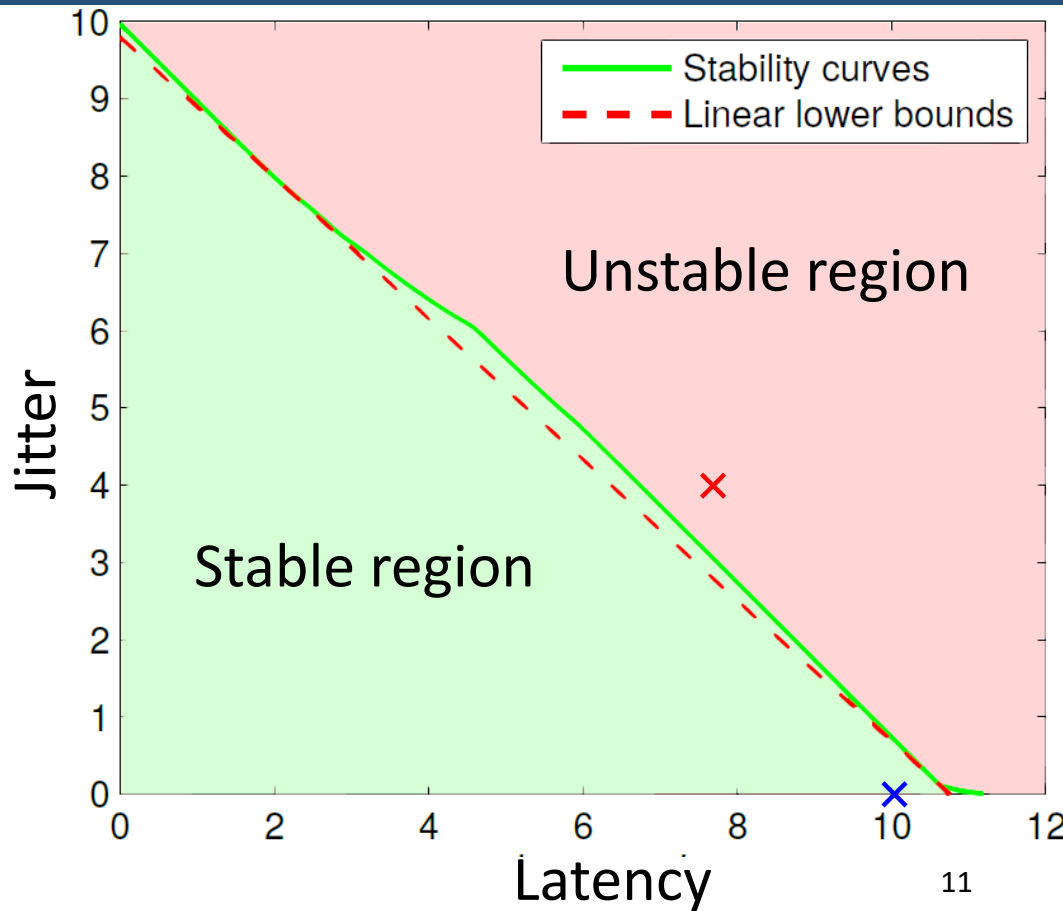
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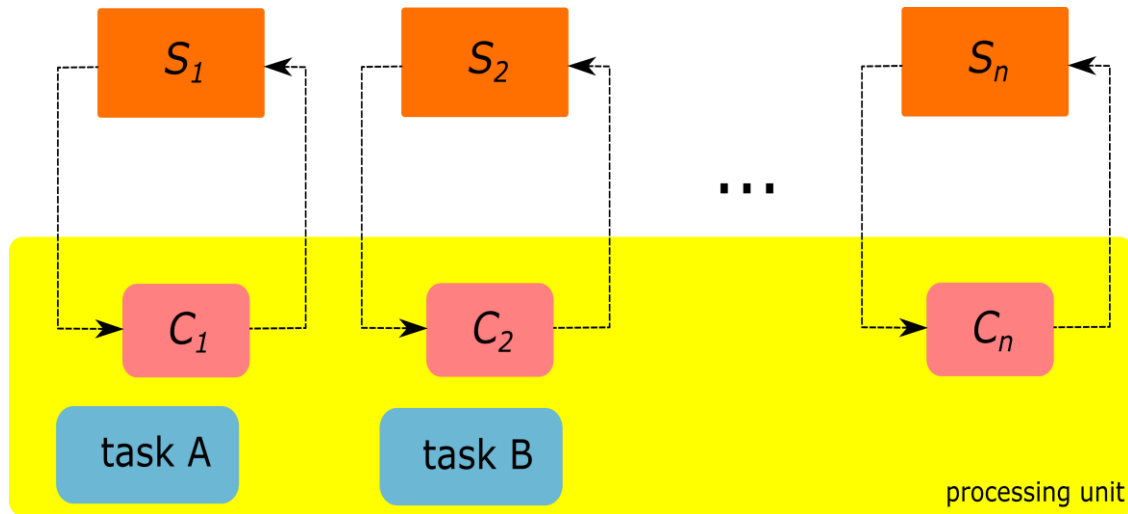


Stability

**Stability curve derived
with Jitter Margin toolbox**



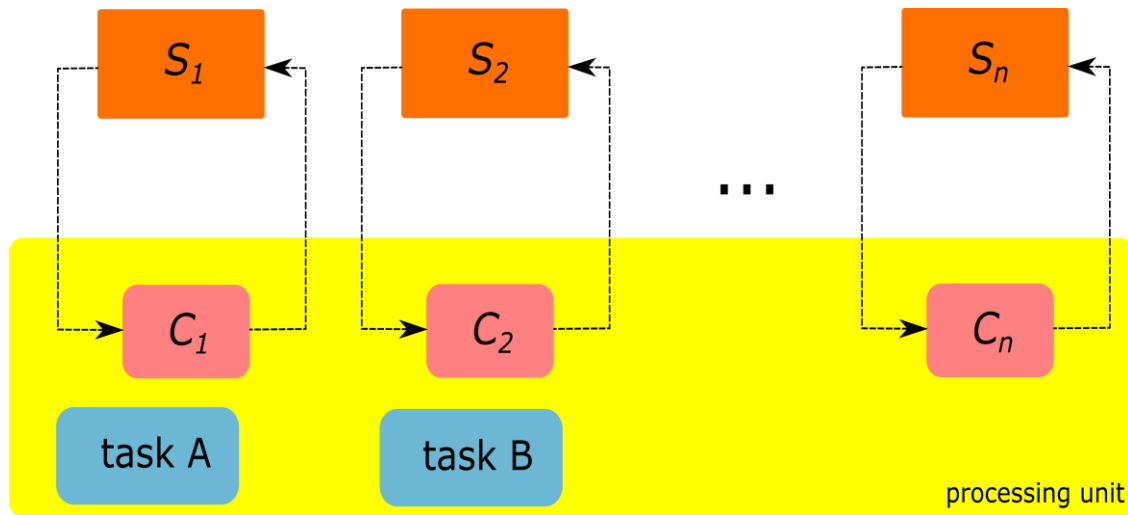
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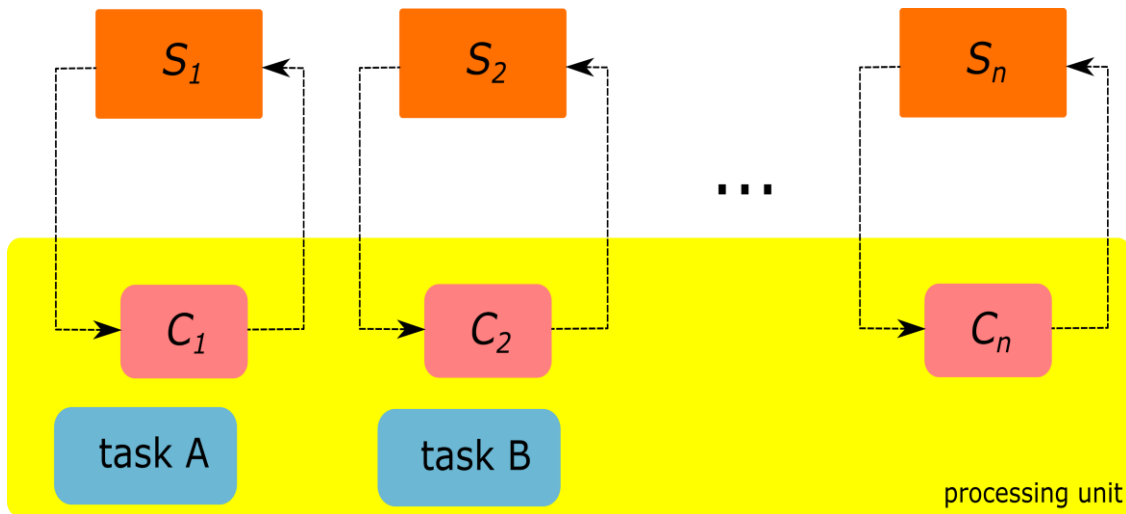
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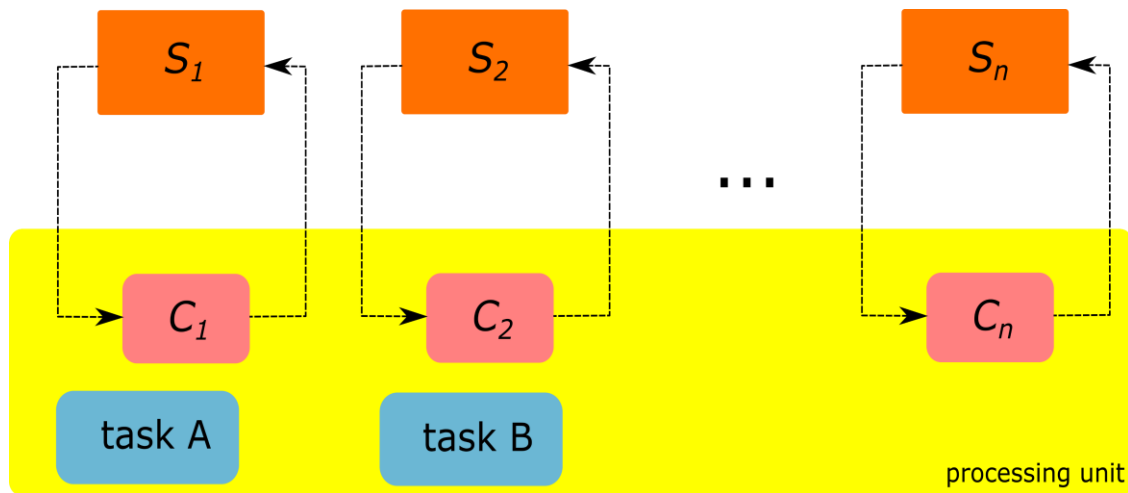


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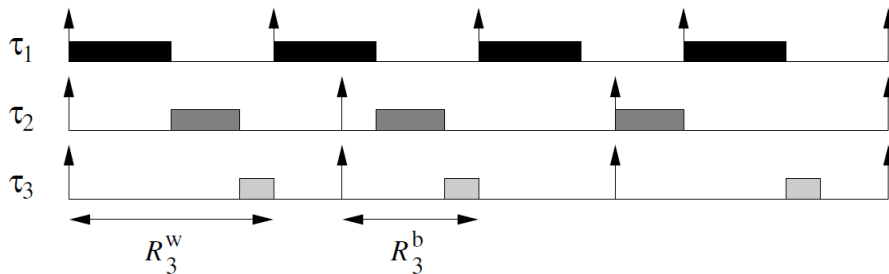
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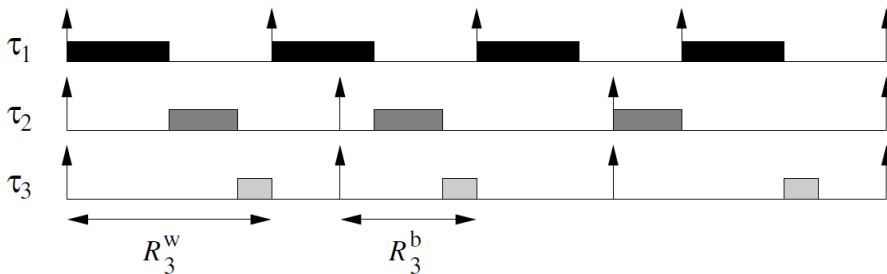
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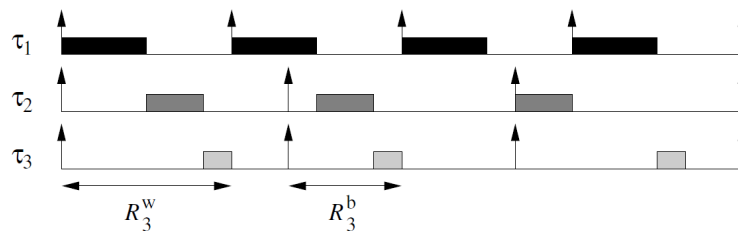
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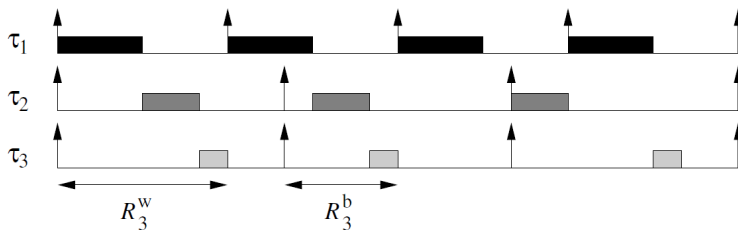


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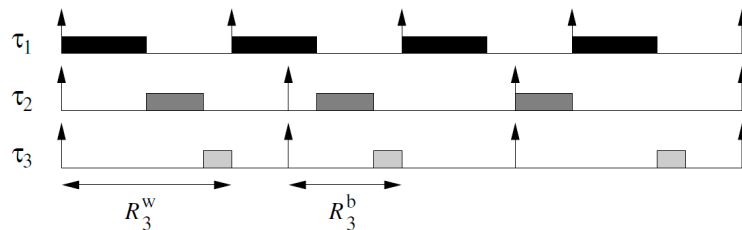
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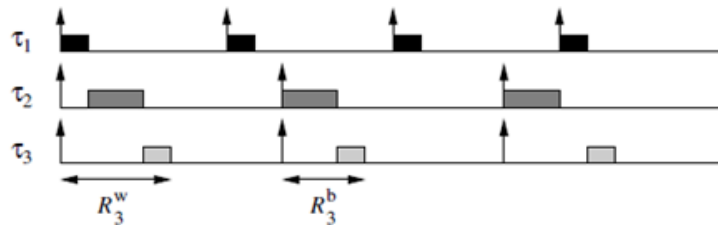
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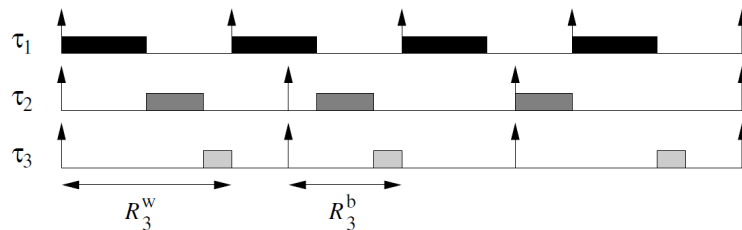


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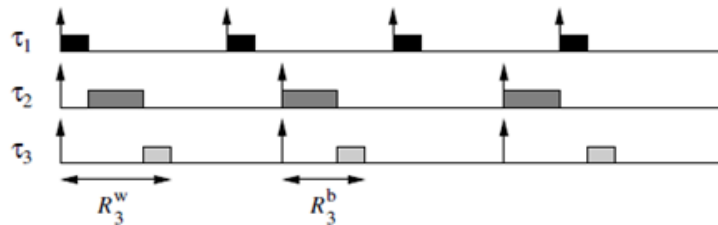
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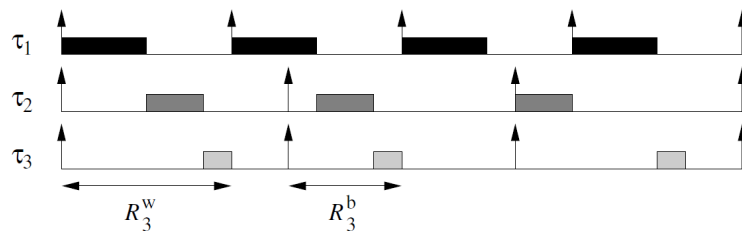


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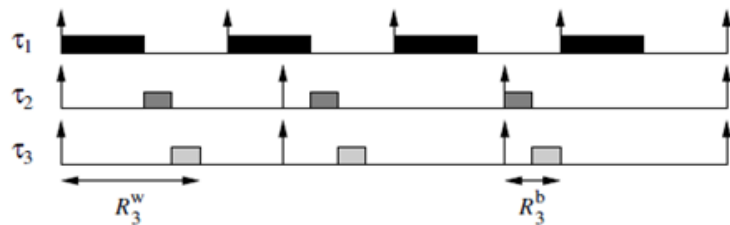
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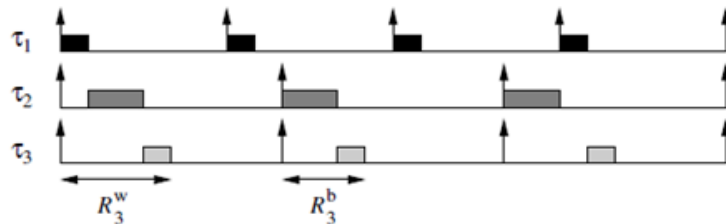
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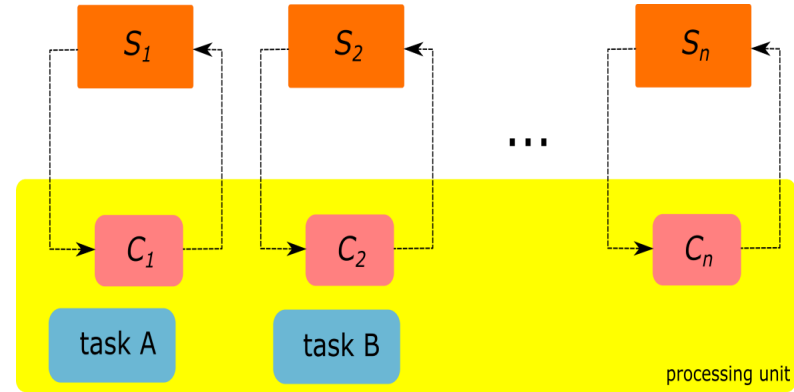
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Butterfly Attack

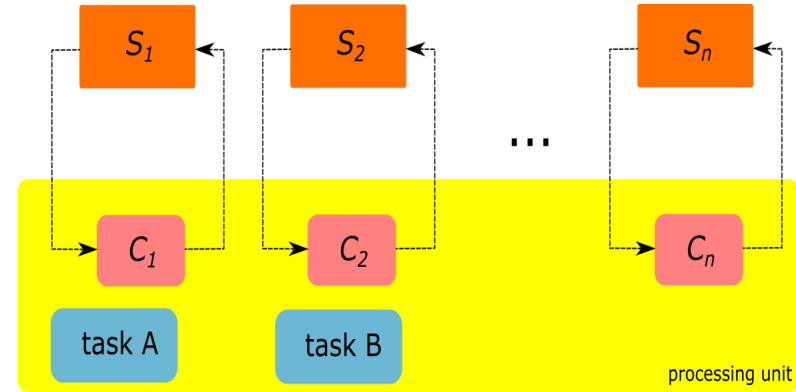


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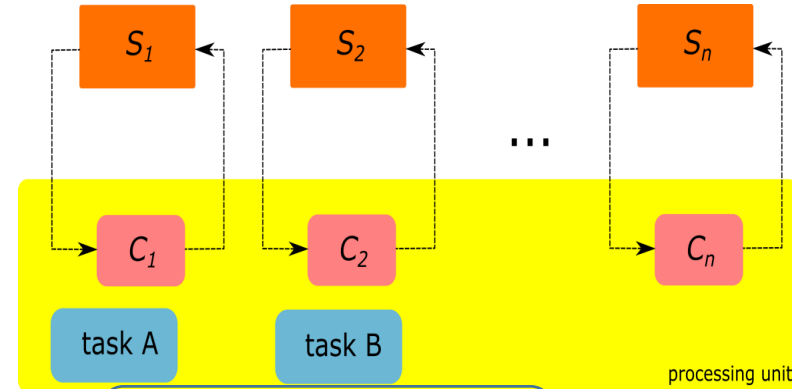


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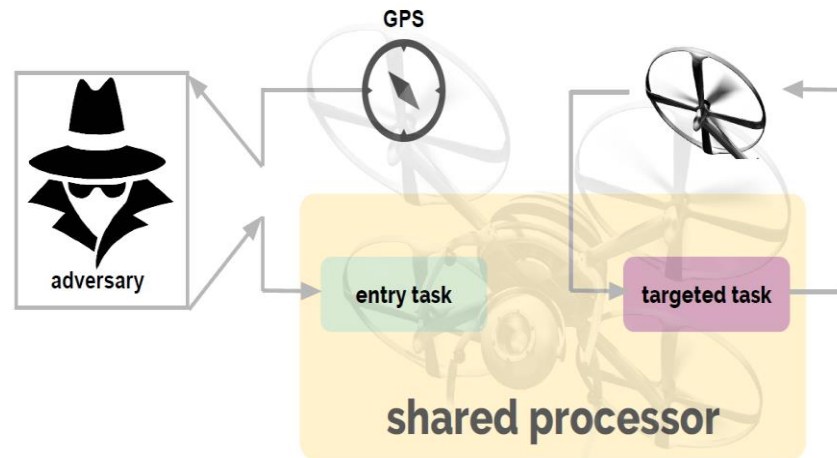
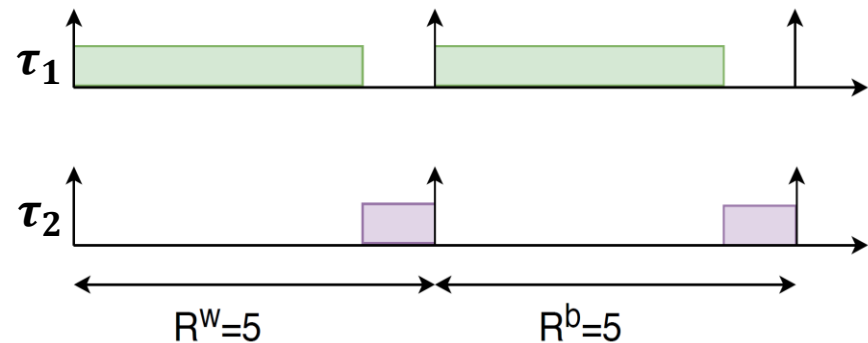
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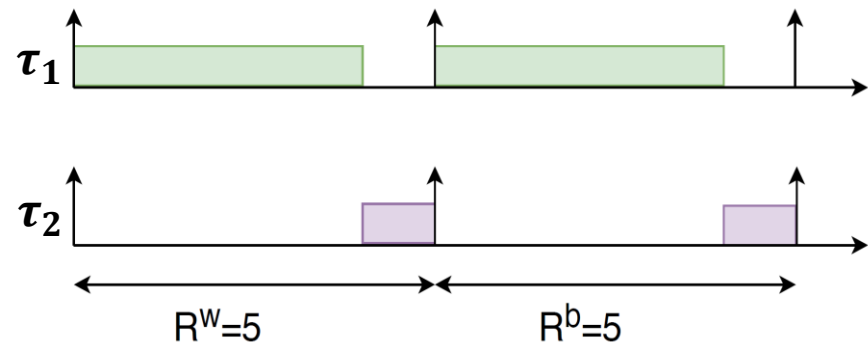
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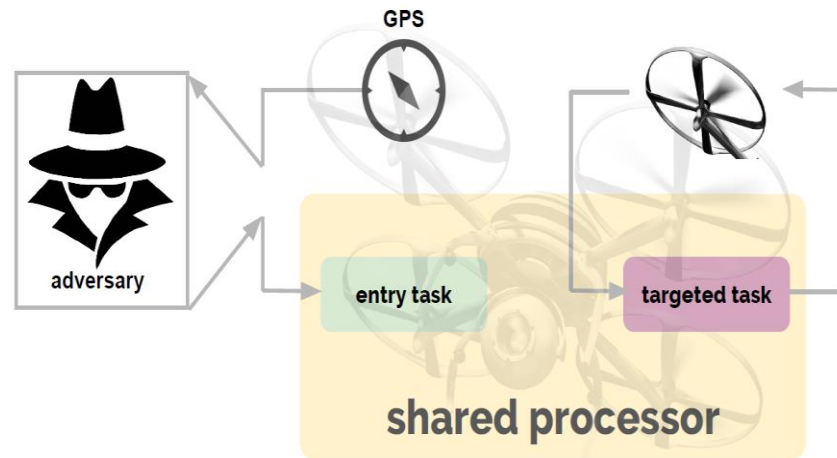
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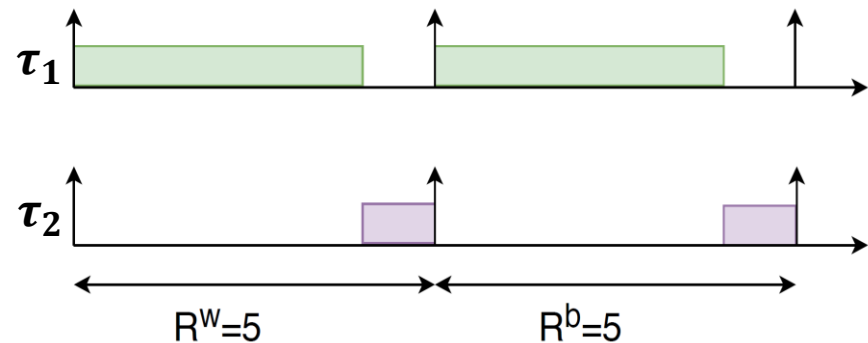
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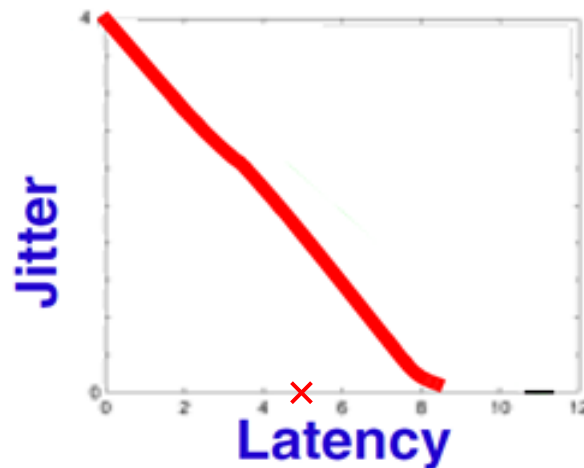
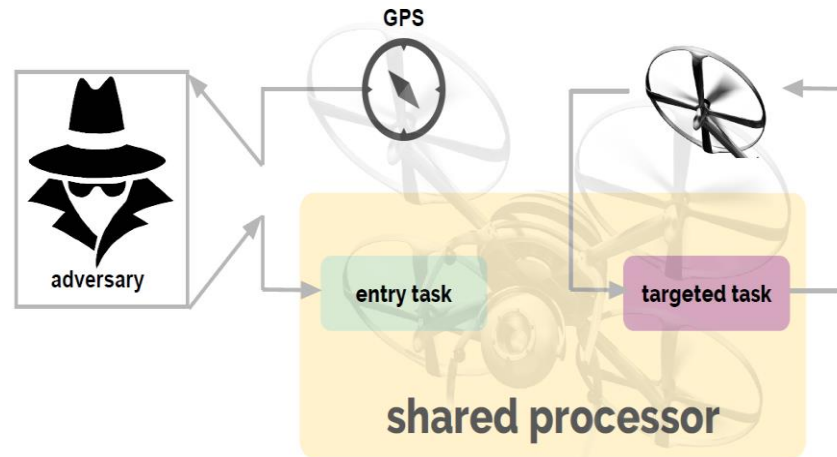
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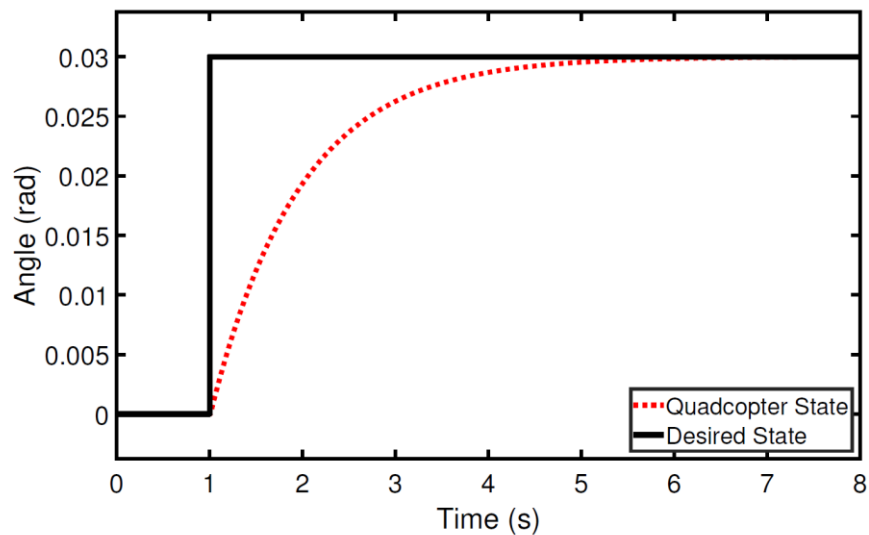
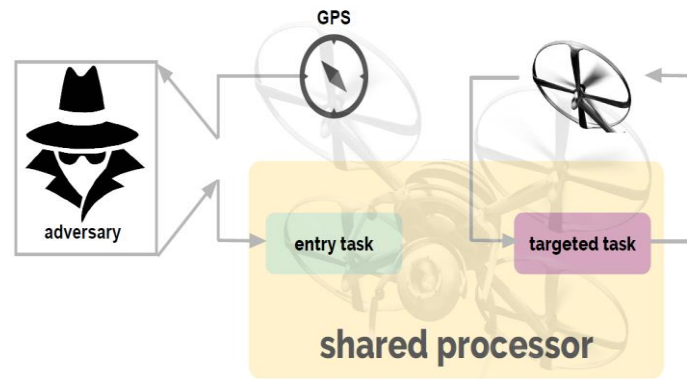
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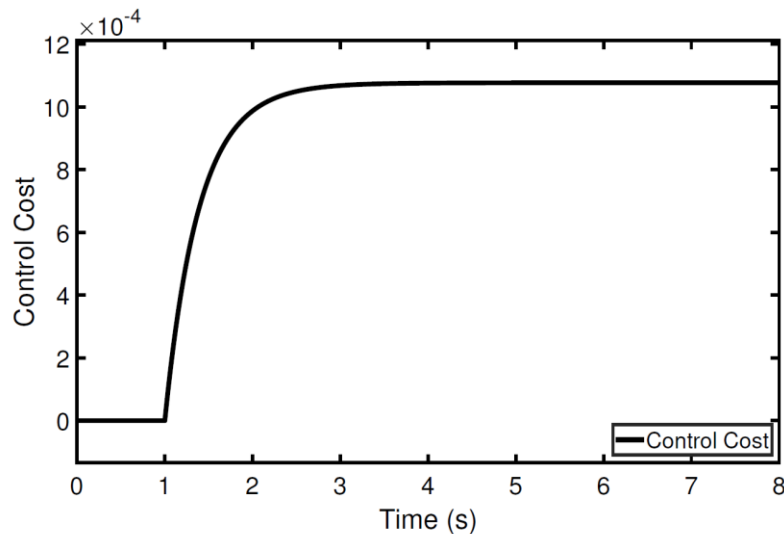
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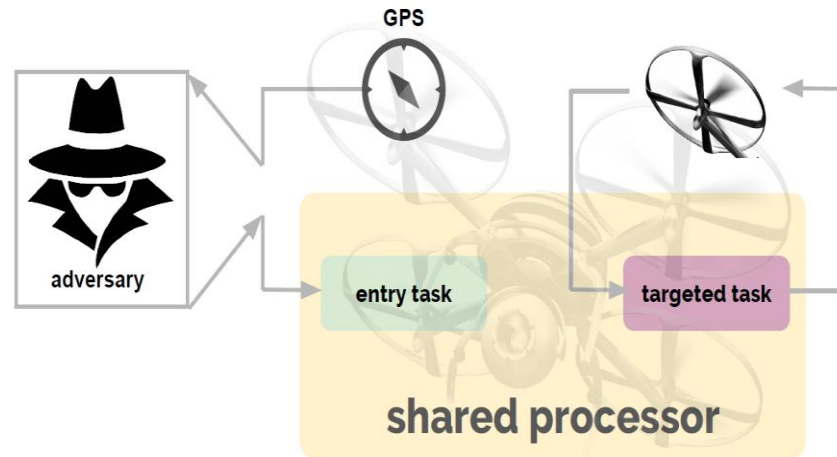
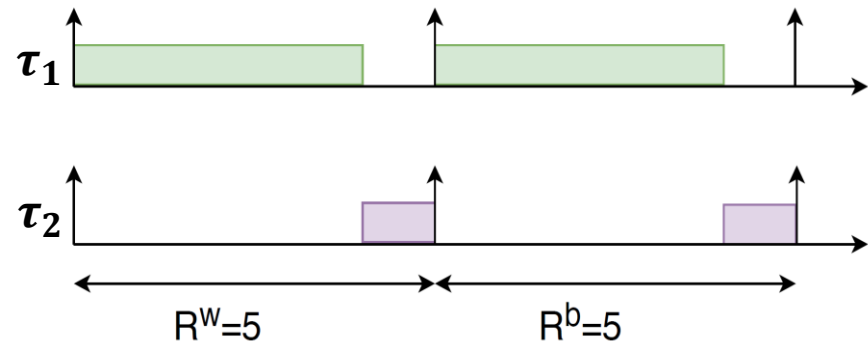


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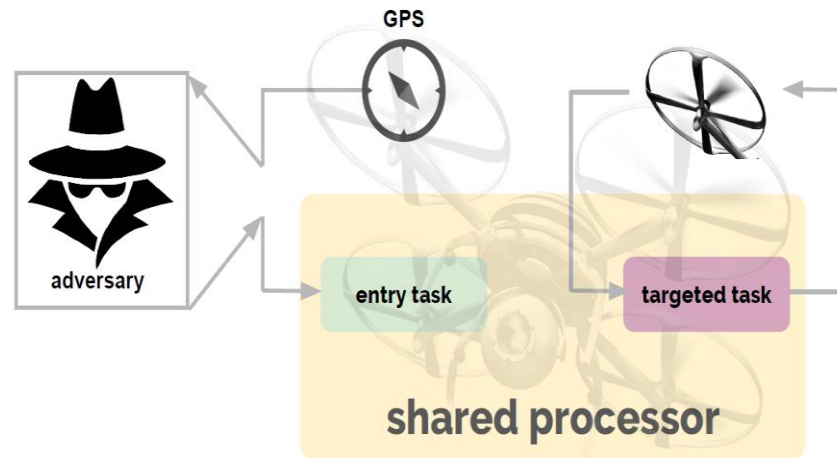
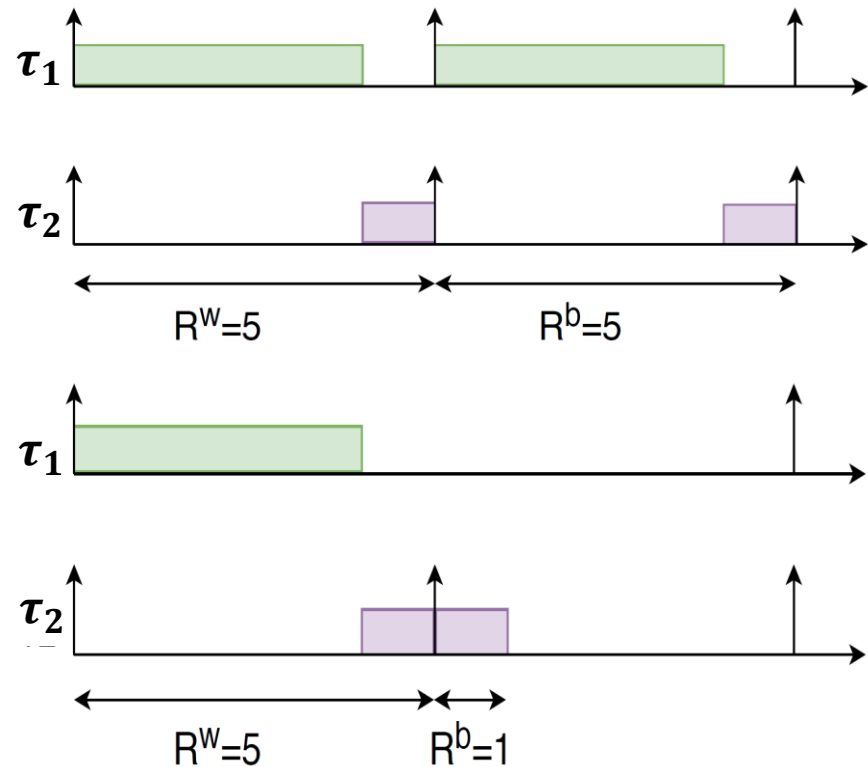


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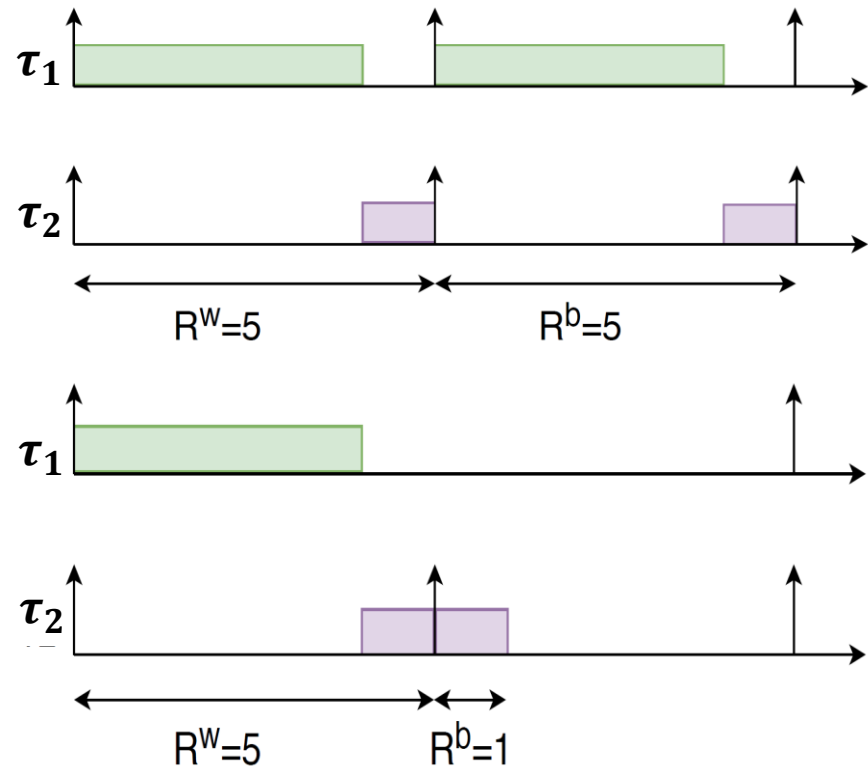
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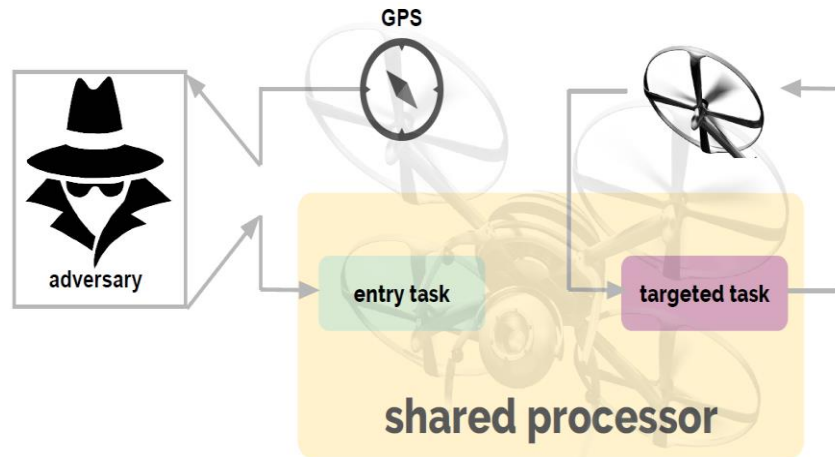
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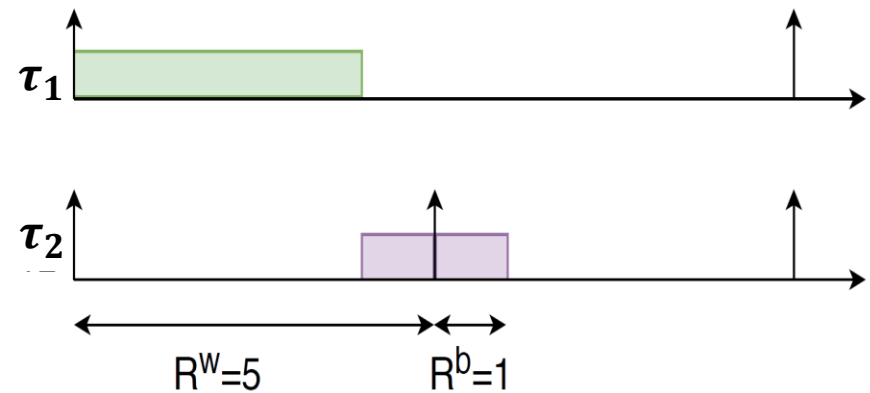
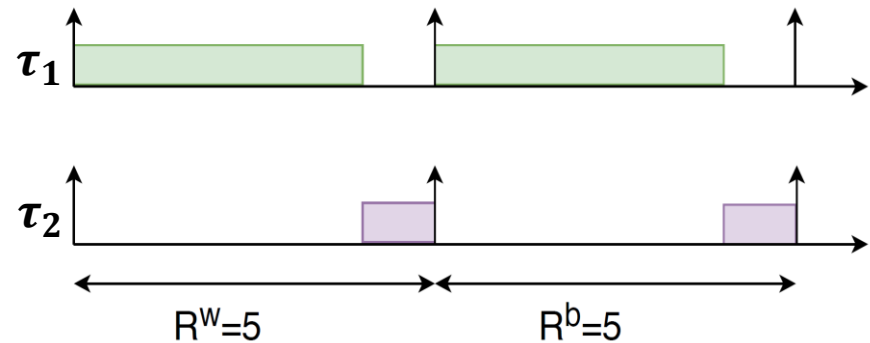
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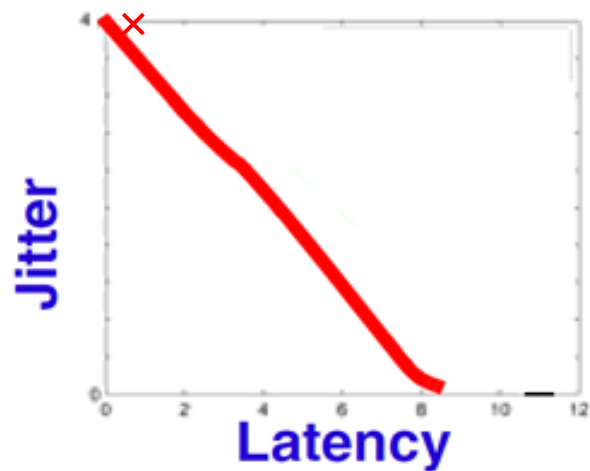
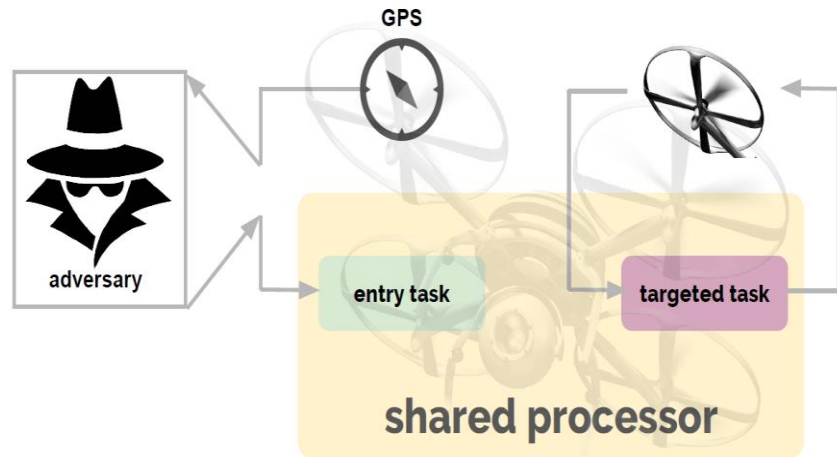
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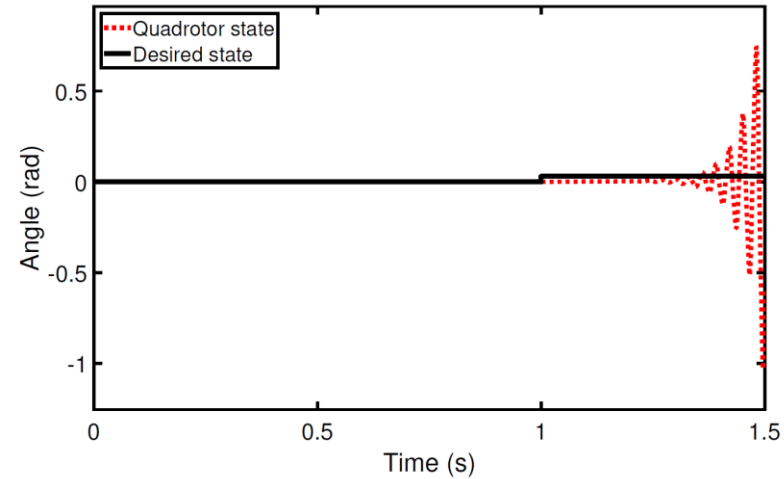
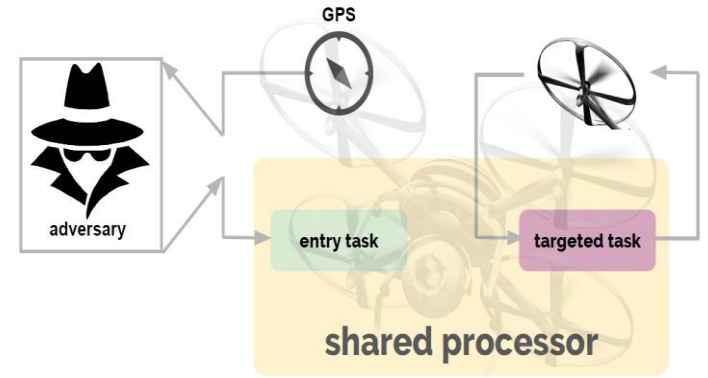
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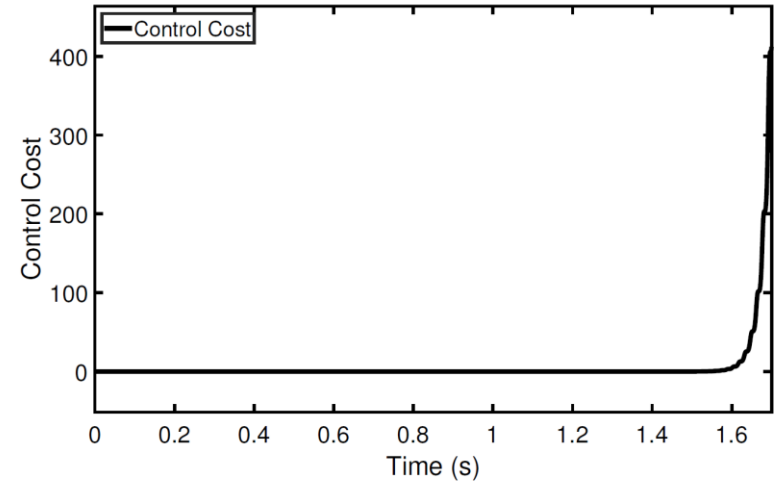
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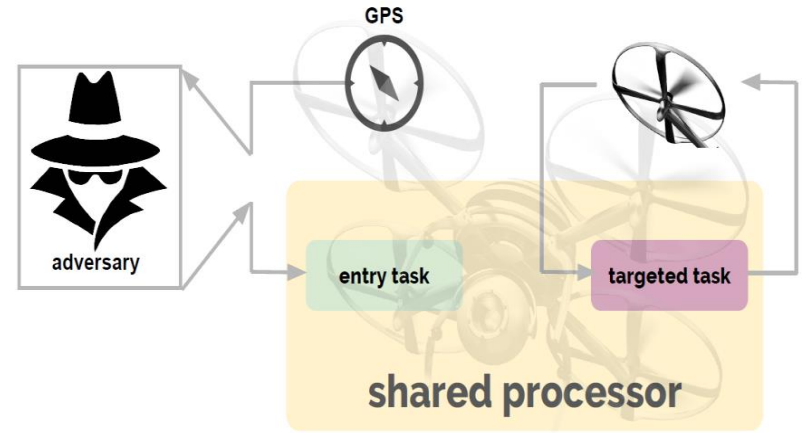
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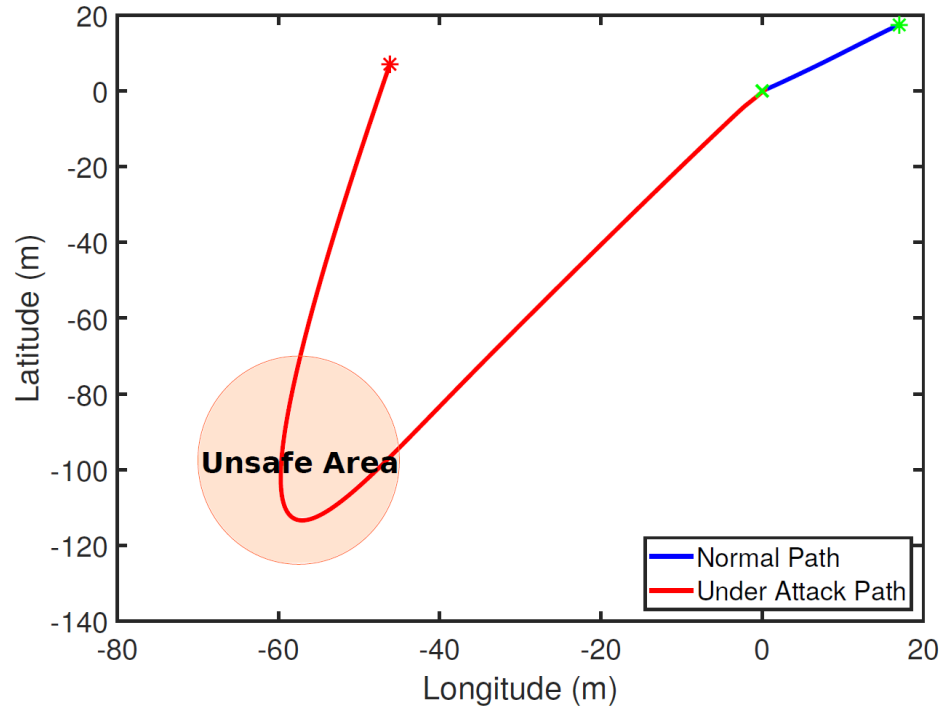
Butterfly attack

- ❖ Manipulating less critical (protected) task
- ❖ Increase the available resource
- ❖ Difficult to detect attacker



Beyond Butterfly attack

- ❖ Hijack the drone using Butterfly attack
- ❖ Launch the attack for short time
- ❖ Needs some extra knowledge
- ❖ Unpredicted results



Mitigation

- ❖ **Run a dummy task to compensate**
- ❖ **Design a robust controller**
- ❖ **Ensure temporal isolation using servers**

Conclusion

- ❖ **Introduction to Butterfly attack**
- ❖ **Identify Inter-dependency and Non-monotonicity**
- ❖ **Demonstrate the possibility of attack experimentally**

Questions

