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CEC Computer Efficiency Standards - Technical Demo -



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Who we are

- California startup
- Our technology: Software Defined Power Management
- Why we are here:
 - Support CEC's energy efficiency activities
 - Promote mobile efficiency for plug load devices
 - Increase awareness of the new IEEE P2415 standard
- Presenters:
 - Davorin Mista, MSEE, VP Eng.
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California startup focused on energy management of electronic devices

Learning from nature

How **WE** design systems ...



... for maximum performance

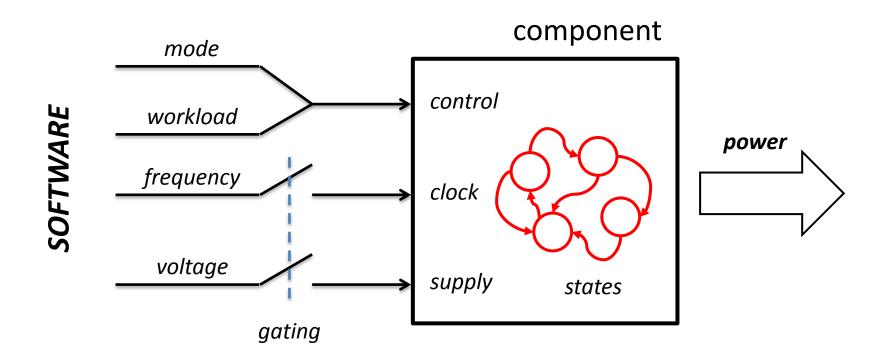
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How **NATURE** designs systems ...



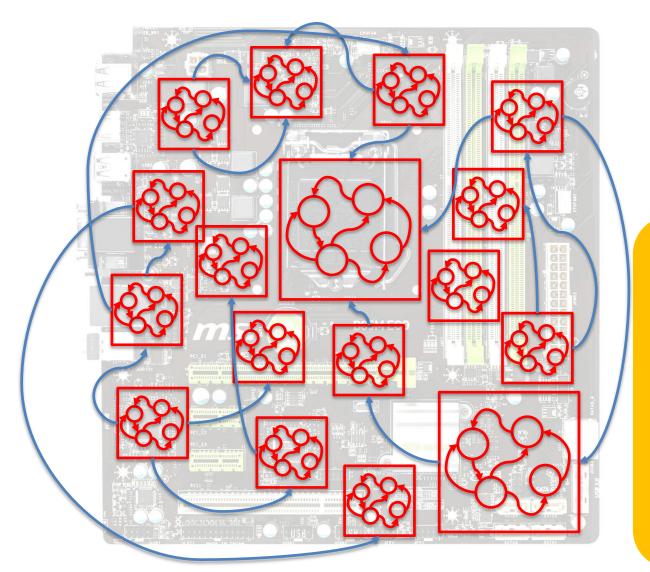
... for maximum efficiency

Component power consumption



Component power is a function of operating mode, frequency and voltage

Device/system power consumption



Device power is a complex combination of component power and intricate power dependencies – best understood for mobile devices!

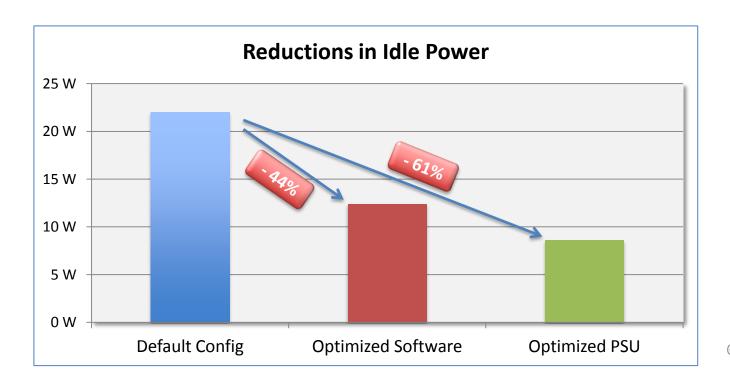
Demo summary

- Two demos using common software and components
- Demo #1: assembled desktop PC (cost ~\$550)
 - MSI motherboard, Intel processor, Western Digital hard disk drive, Seasonic power supply, Windows 8.1
 - Showing impact of <u>software defined power management</u>
- Demo #2: off-the-shelf desktop PC (retail \$499)
 - HP ProDesk 400 G1, Windows 8.1
 - Showing impact of improved voltage conversion

Demo 1 recap

Idle-power for MSI assembled desktop PC:

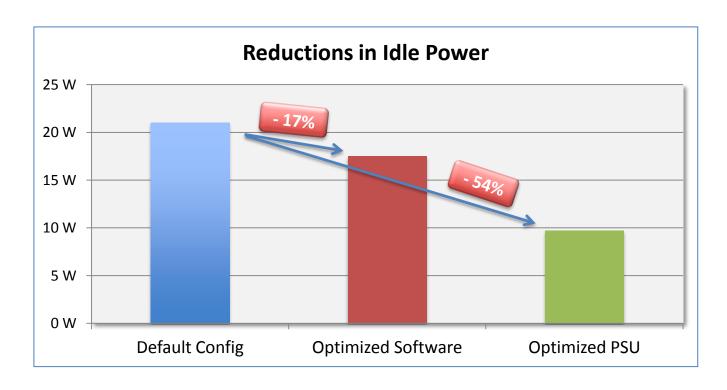
- Default settings: 22W
- Optimized software: 12.4W
- Optimized + right-sized PSU: 8.6W



Demo 2 recap

Idle-power for HP commercial desktop PC:

- Default settings: 21W
- Optimized software: 17.5W
- Optimized + right-sized PSU: 9.7W



Conclusions

- Components that meet expected power levels are available today
- We still need to improve the way we select and combine such components to optimize whole device (system) power
- New unified technologies and standards are necessary for cost effective deployment of advanced power solutions across the industry



... think energy.