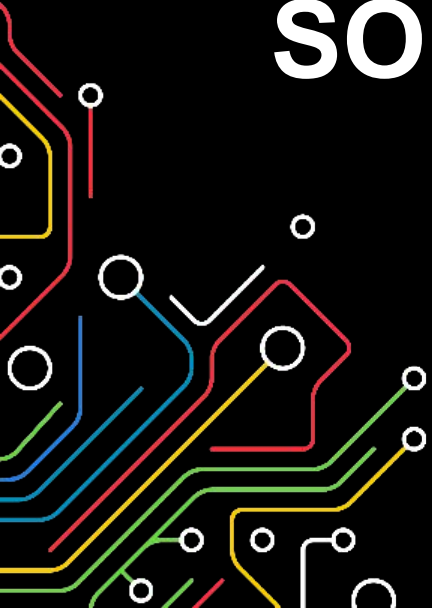


# HIGH-ASSURANCE SOFTWARE LABORATORY

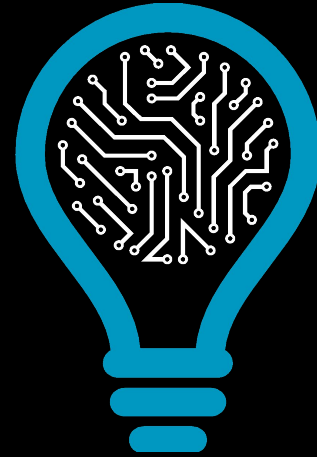
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from knowledge  
generation to  
science-based  
innovation



- **HASLab in brief**
- **Facts and figures**
- **CLOUDinha laboratory**
- **What we are doing now**

# HASLAB IN BRIEF



# WHAT WE DO

HASLab is focused on the **design and implementation of high-assurance software systems**: software that is correct by design and resilient to environment faults and malicious attacks

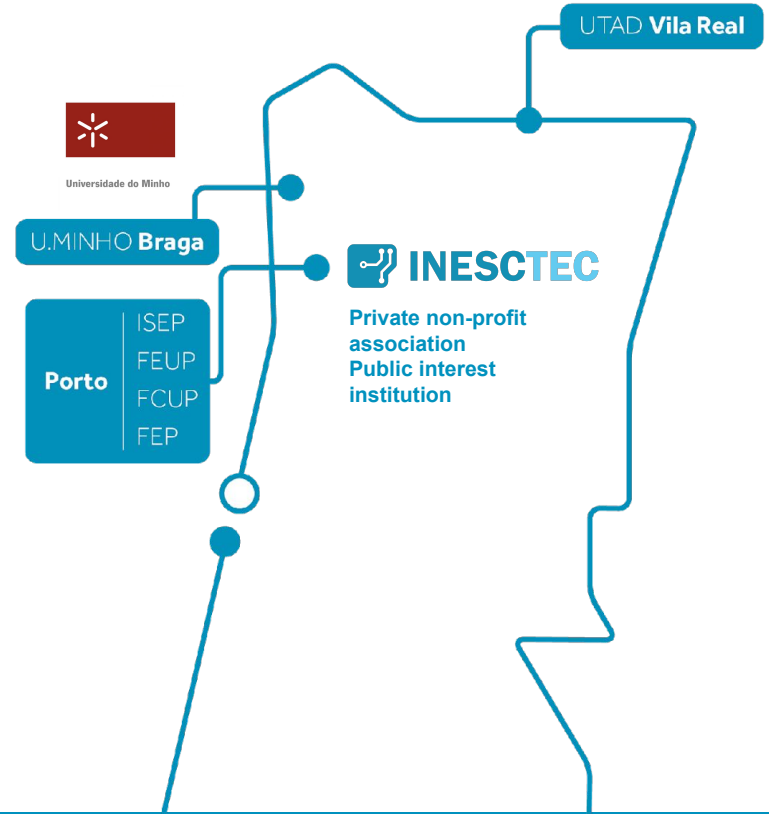
To accomplish this mission, HASLab covers three main research areas:

- **Distributed Systems**
- **Software Engineering**
- **Cyber Security**

The contributions of HASLab to these three main areas range **from fundamental research on formal methods and algorithms, to applied research on developing tools and middleware that address real-world demands stemming** from long-term collaborations with industry

# WHERE WE ARE

HASLab is a research center of INESC TEC and the University of Minho - located at U,Minho, Braga



## WHO WE ARE

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**107**

TOTAL MEMBERS

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**68**

INTEGRATED  
RESEARCHERS

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**15**

EXTERNAL  
RESEARCHERS

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**4**

NATIONALITIES

# RESEARCH LINES

To accomplish its mission, HASLab covers three main research lines within INESC TEC Computer Science domain



## COMPUTER SCIENCE

### Research Lines

- Distributed Systems
- Software Engineering
- Cyber Security

# DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS

- Efficient data management
- Large scale data storage and processing
- Distributed systems monitoring and benchmarking
- Secure data storage and processing

## Target

- Cloud computing
- High-Performance computing
- Big Data applications: data analytics; machine/deep learning
- Blockchain



# SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

- Formal design and analysis of complex systems
- Static analysis and program verification
- Automatic testing and fault localisation
- Green computing
- Quantum computing
- Interface and usability

# CYBER SECURITY

- Provable security
- Efficient and secure implementation of cryptographic software
- Formal verification of cryptography proofs and implementations
- Domain-specific software development tools for cryptography
- Privacy-enhancing data-management technologies



# SOME OF OUR PARTNERS

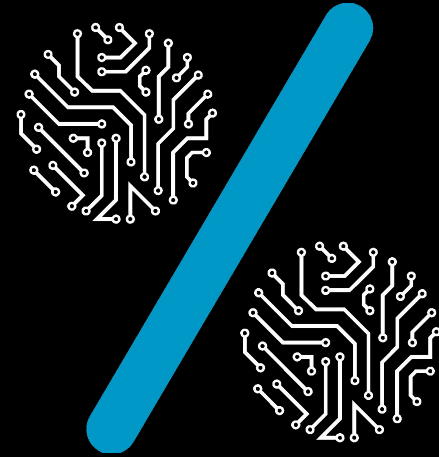
## Industry



## Academia



# FACTS AND FIGURES



# R&D PROJECTS | 2021

National R&D Programmes | **11**  
EU Programmes | **5**  
R&D Services & Consulting | **10**  
Other Funding Programmes | **3**



# INDEXED PUBLICATIONS | 2021



- > 5 conference papers were published in CORE 2021 A\* conference
- > 4 journal publications were published in Quartile 1

- 15 Indexed Journal Papers
- 30 Indexed Conference Articles
- 3 Concluded PhD Theses – Supervised
- 21 Ongoing PhD Theses - Supervised



- 4 Conferences, workshops and scientific sessions
- 2 Advanced training courses organised
- 5 Editorial roles in journals
- 21 Participation in program committees
- 5 Participation in fairs and industrial events

# INNOVATION

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# 1

PATENT GRANTED  
IN 2019

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# 2

INVENTION  
DISCLOSURES  
IN 2020

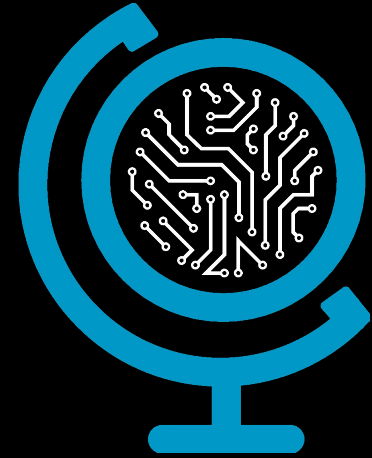


## Keyruptive Technologies

Mobile app solution for secure cloud storage and management of digital assets such as cryptocurrency.

Keyruptive obtained a software patent in the United States of America

# CLOUDINHA LABORATORY

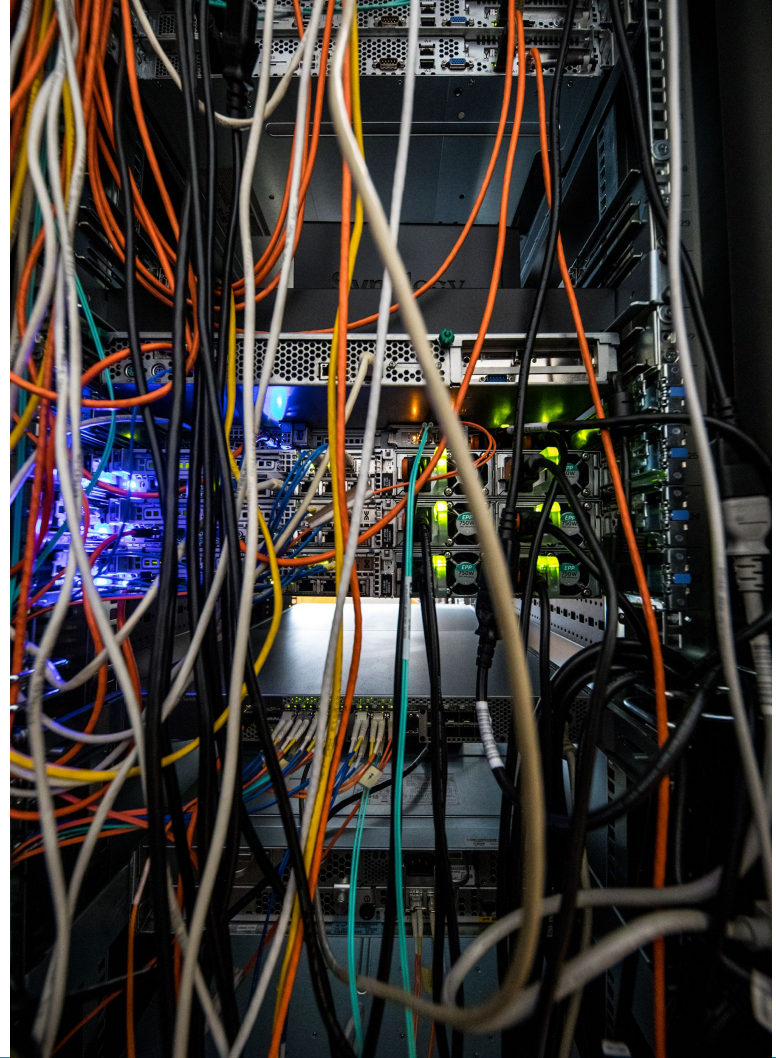




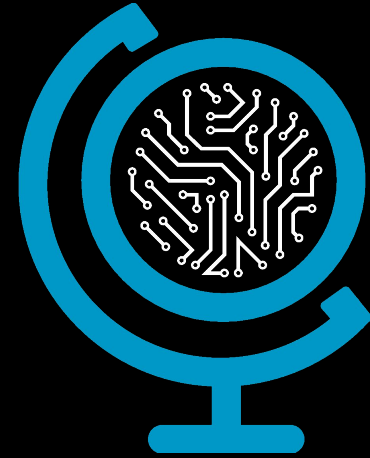
# CLOUDINHA LABORATORY

CLOUDInha is a cluster of servers that provides **computational and storage support for research, development and education** conducted at INESC TEC and University of Minho

Users have access to a bare-metal infrastructure composed by more than **100 servers**, connected through a **10 Gb network**, and with an aggregated computational power of **290 computing cores, 1.8 TB of RAM, and 41.28 TB of storage**



# WHAT WE ARE DOING NOW



# BIGHPC PROJECT DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS



- Improve the monitoring of heterogeneous HPC infrastructures
  - Large-scale setup
  - Unified framework and metrics (jobs, compute nodes, storage nodes)
- Improve the deployment of Big Data applications and the management of HPC computational resources
  - Containerization technologies (e.g., singularity, charlie cloud)
- Improve storage performance and management for HPC services
  - Alleviate I/O pressure at the shared parallel file system
  - Improve Quality of Service
- <https://bighpc.wavecom.pt>

## Partners:

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## Funding:

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Cofinanciado por:



# PASTOR PROJECT DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS



- Improve storage performance for AI frameworks
  - E.g., TensorFlow, Pytorch, ...
- Novel Software-Defined Storage (SDS) solution
  - reusable storage optimizations for AI applications (e.g., caching, tiering, QoS)
  - holistic visibility and automatic configuration of storage resources
  - easy integration with existing HPC software and hardware
- <https://pastor-project.github.io>

## Partners



## Funding



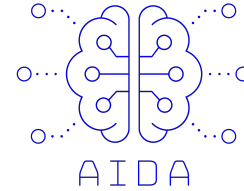
# CENTRA DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS



- CENTRA - Collaborations to Enable Transnational Cyberinfrastructure Applications
- Partners from Europe, US and Asia
- Efficient and Secure Data Management for HPC and Cloud Computing
  - Optimize the performance and dependability of data-centric applications (e.g., databases, data analytics, ML)
  - Privacy-by-design approach for storing and processing data at third-party infrastructures
- <https://www.globalcentra.org/projects/#prv>



# AIDA PROJECT DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS



AIDA will provide **highly-configurable and rich data collection and monitoring, while preserving the current real-time, security and dependability** guarantees of the RAID platform:

<https://aida.inesctec.pt/>

  
DATA PRIVACY AND  
CONFIDENTIALITY

  
EDGE COMPUTING AND 5G



  
RESILIENCE TO INTRUSION

  
FEDERATED MACHINE  
LEARNING

## Partners:

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INESCTEC



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UNIVERSIDADE D  
COIMBRA

Carnegie  
Mellon  
University

## Funding:

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Cofinanciado por:





# AURORA PROJECT DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS



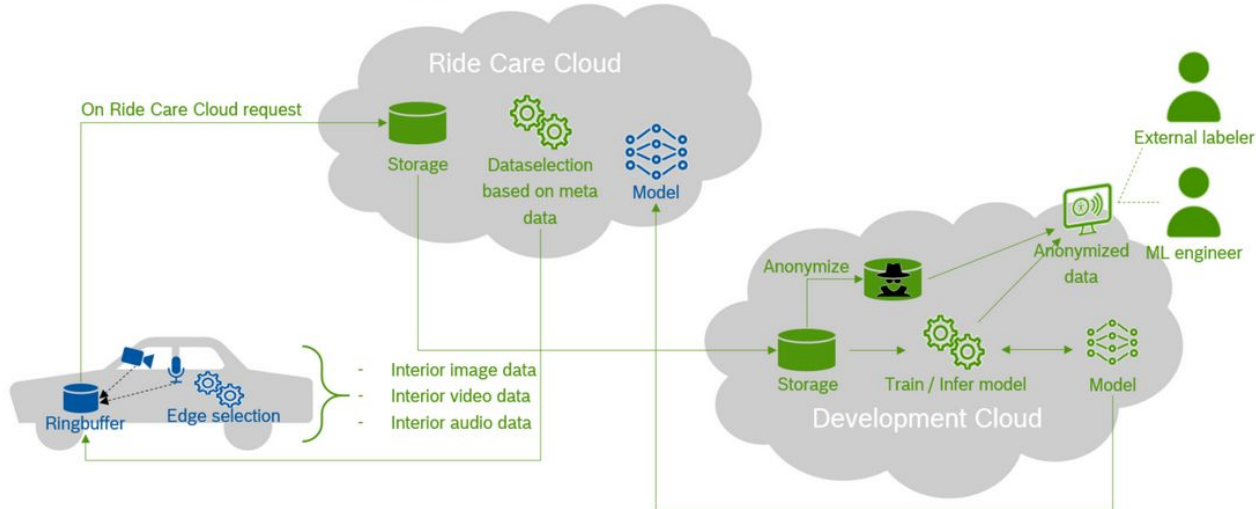
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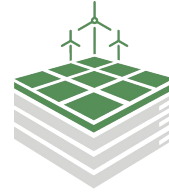


Universidade do Minho

- Data management optimization, in the car itself and in the cloud.
  - In the cloud focus on data management and optimization in generic workloads and in optimizations for ML/DL workloads.
  - Privacy-preserving data management and processing.



# SUSTAINABLE PROJECT DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS



SUSTAINABLE  
HPC

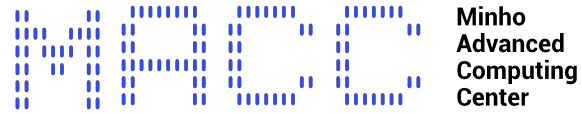
- National project to develop and testing innovative solutions to enable maximizing the sustainability of operating facilities for advanced computing and data centers
  - taking advantage of the Deucalion supercomputer
- Laboratory with a diverse set of energy conversion sources (electricity and thermal) both from the point of view of generation and storage
- Reduction of electric energy consumption by using predictive management algorithms and implementation of different energy efficiency measures

# INTERCONNECT PROJECT DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS

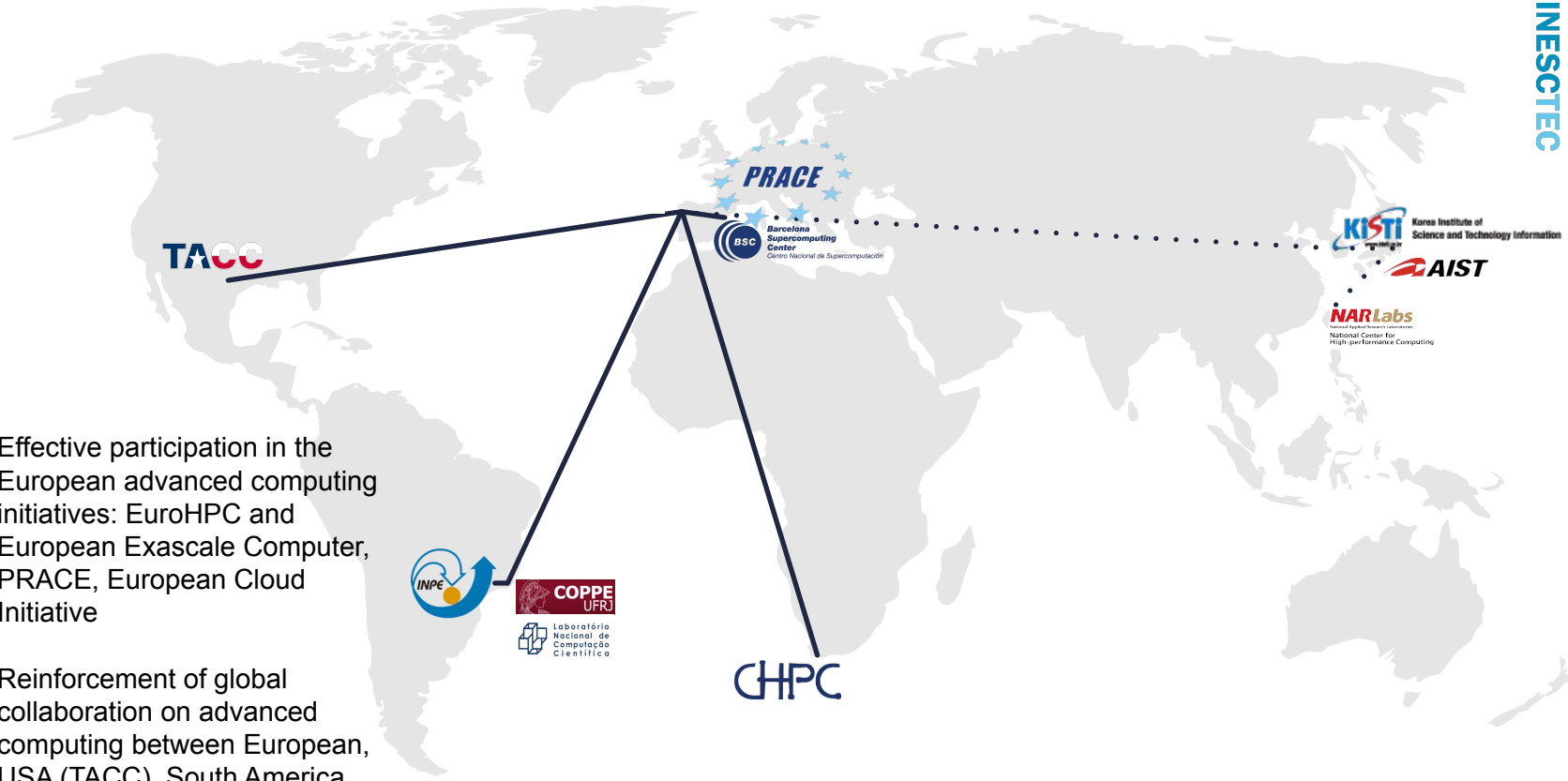
- Cross-domain interoperability with semantic data exchange for IoT
- Neutral Data Marketplaces and Hubs for data exchange
- Blockchain-based solutions to assist data management
- Applied data management and privacy preserving capabilities to high TRL solutions and very large-scale demonstrations



# MACC DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS



- National collaborative infrastructure to promote and support Open Science initiatives on supercomputing, data science and visualization;
- Sustainable computing and data infrastructure catering to national scientific and industrial communities and complementary to international partners;
- <https://macc.fccn.pt/>
- RNCA, <https://rnca.fccn.pt>



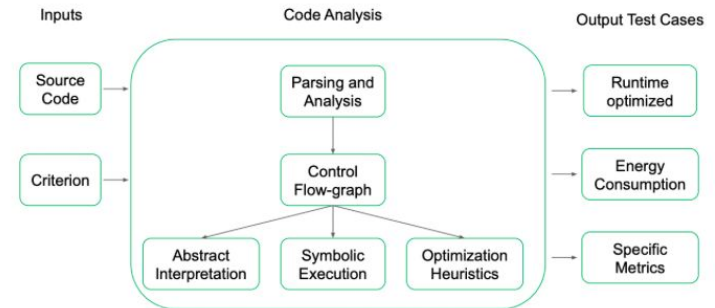
- Effective participation in the European advanced computing initiatives: EuroHPC and European Exascale Computer, PRACE, European Cloud Initiative
- Reinforcement of global collaboration on advanced computing between European, USA (TACC), South America (LNCC) and Asia (PRAGMA) facilities

# SOFTWARE QUALITY

## SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

- Green Computing:
  - Measure/estimate energy consumption;
  - Detect energy smells;
  - Recommend energy-friendly software practices;
- Software Testing and Analysis:
  - Fault Localization;
  - Program repair;
  - Automatic Generation of Program Executions;
  - Software Metrics.

### Automatic Generation of Program Executions



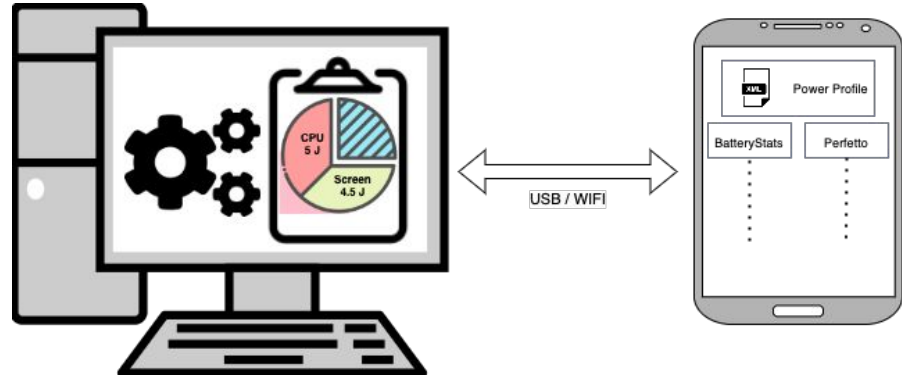
# GREEN COMPUTING

## Measure/Estimate Energy Consumption

### E-MANAFa: Energy Monitor and Analyzer For Android

- Compatible with any Android device;
- Fine-grained component-level energy measurements;

<https://github.com/RRua/e-manafa>



# GREEN COMPUTING

## Energy Efficiency Across Programming Languages

Total			
	Energy	Time	Mb
(c) C	1.00	(c) C	1.00
(c) Rust	1.03	(c) Rust	1.04
(c) C++	1.34	(c) C++	1.56
(c) Ada	1.70	(c) Ada	1.85
(v) Java	1.98	(v) Java	1.89
(c) Pascal	2.14	(c) Chapel	2.14
(c) Chapel	2.18	(c) Go	2.83
(v) Lisp	2.27	(c) Pascal	3.02
(c) Ocaml	2.40	(c) Ocaml	3.09
(c) Fortran	2.52	(v) C#	3.14
(c) Swift	2.79	(v) Lisp	3.40
(c) Haskell	3.10	(c) Haskell	3.55
(v) C#	3.14	(c) Swift	4.20
(c) Go	3.23	(c) Fortran	4.20
(i) Dart	3.83	(v) F#	6.30
(v) F#	4.13	(i) JavaScript	6.52
(i) JavaScript	4.45	(i) Dart	6.67
(v) Racket	7.91	(v) Racket	11.27
(i) TypeScript	21.50	(i) Hack	26.99
(i) Hack	24.02	(i) PHP	27.64
(i) PHP	29.30	(v) Erlang	36.71
(v) Erlang	42.23	(i) Jruby	43.44
(i) Lua	45.98	(i) TypeScript	46.20
(i) Jruby	46.54	(i) Ruby	59.34
(i) Ruby	69.91	(i) Perl	65.79
(i) Python	75.88	(i) Python	71.90
(i) Perl	79.58	(i) Lua	82.91

Energy & Memory	Energy & Time & Memory
C • Pascal	C • Pascal • Go
Rust • C++ • Fortran • Go	Rust • C++ • Fortran
Ada	Ada
Java • Chapel • Lisp	Java • Chapel • Lisp • Ocaml
Ocaml • Swift • Haskell	Swift • Haskell • C#
C# • PHP	Dart • F# • Racket • Hack • PHP
Dart • F# • Racket • Hack • Python	JavaScript • Ruby • Python
JavaScript • Ruby	TypeScript • Erlang
TypeScript	Lua • JRuby • Perl
Erlang • Lua • Perl	
JRuby	

Time & Memory	Energy & Time
C • Pascal • Go	C
Rust • C++ • Fortran	Rust
Ada	C++
Java • Chapel • Lisp • Ocaml	Ada
Haskell • C#	Java
Swift • PHP	Pascal • Chapel
F# • Racket • Hack • Python	Lisp • Ocaml • Go
JavaScript • Ruby	Fortran • Haskell • C#
Dart • TypeScript • Erlang	Swift
JRuby • Perl	Dart • F#
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	Ruby

- [sites.google.com/view/energy-efficiency-languages](https://sites.google.com/view/energy-efficiency-languages)
- [greenlab.di.uminho.pt](http://greenlab.di.uminho.pt)



# GREEN COMPUTING

## Energy Efficiency of Programming Practices

### Results (25k pop)

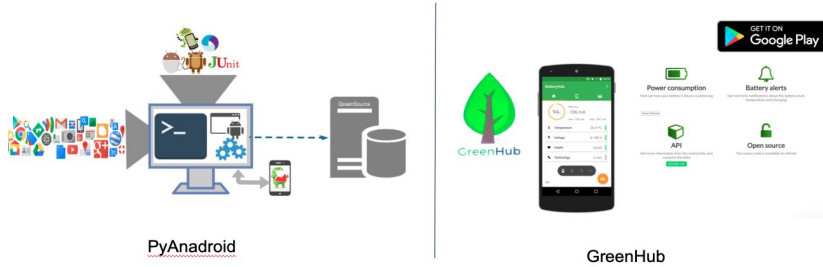
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add	1.6822	87	1.7749	87	1.4917	75
addAll	1.4549	93	1.4771	89	1.9335	94
clear	1.4901	78	1.0586	64	1.3288	60
contains	1.4213	88	2.0685	78	1.0401	76
containsAll	1.8317	96	1.4000	77	2.1748	88
iterateAll	1.9225	99	1.4554	92	1.2907	83
iterator	1.6096	83	1.7596	75	0.9613	76
remove	1.7877	78	1.2633	75	1.2458	93
removeAll	1.8072	85	2.1359	77	1.9145	100
retainAll	3.2607	206	2.4092	200	2.2512	199
toArray	1.4789	86	1.3833	80	1.3776	79

Methods	ArrayList		AttributeList		CopyOnWrite		LinkedList		RoleList		Role		Stack		Vector	
	ms	J	ms	J	ms	J	ms	J	ms	J	ms	J	ms	J	ms	J
add	0.9773	71	1.1510	67	1.7839	117	1.8016	86	1.4801	76	1.1865	74	1.5659	76	1.5177	69
addAll	1.3353	76	1.0492	88	1.3586	82	1.1043	88	1.6661	76	1.8672	88	1.1019	88	1.7903	73
addAll	1.7855	86	1.6035	68	1.1789	86	1.7272	99	1.5980	81	1.2497	85	1.2962	72	1.6268	90
add	1.7125	93	1.3849	87	1.6558	119	1.6404	96	1.2718	85	1.3124	86	1.5287	83	1.4554	86
clear	1.1284	76	1.2409	75	1.1755	68	1.6497	74	1.6705	76	1.4304	80	1.6199	73	1.0574	71
contains	2.7568	166	2.4228	165	3.1768	167	3.1552	193	2.1751	162	2.4658	164	2.0128	166	2.1558	168
containsAll	1.5993	87	1.8053	92	2.1889	92	2.2887	118	1.3244	100	1.3930	96	1.2054	89	1.5091	87
get	2.0029	83	1.1171	78	1.4918	77	2.0168	109	2.2110	81	1.6613	71	1.8956	86	1.4978	73
indexOf	1.4447	76	2.0325	84	1.5682	70	2.6289	101	1.5674	79	1.1944	81	1.8090	81	2.0788	75
iterateAll	2.0701	79	1.0473	77	1.0103	73	2.6401	107	1.3605	85	1.7822	71	1.6036	81	1.1336	87
iterator	1.4893	84	1.1589	84	1.3922	72	1.7666	108	1.9760	73	1.3300	79	2.1895	84	1.6505	83
lastIndexOf	1.7750	99	1.7666	98	2.0383	94	2.5019	127	1.8914	92	1.4211	95	1.2260	84	1.2296	96
listIterator	1.4457	76	1.6190	84	1.3737	71	2.5003	106	1.3380	80	1.5176	85	1.6354	69	1.2746	81
listIterator	1.7356	78	1.1552	81	1.5160	77	2.1996	105	1.7588	79	1.0334	80	1.8799	85	1.7545	78
remove	1.1308	96	1.4480	85	2.1946	162	1.6924	98	1.4560	84	1.1368	85	1.2663	96	1.4973	82
removeAll	8.0905	671	7.8106	697	7.3237	666	8.3158	752	7.6148	692	7.9911	664	7.3824	654	7.1281	665
remove	1.9135	85	1.3534	92	2.2858	118	1.7174	100	1.6308	85	1.6369	89	1.5850	81	1.5486	90
retainAll	2.7037	193	2.7845	200	2.6052	198	2.5982	205	3.0973	197	2.4172	200	2.7635	242	3.4019	245
set	0.9476	64	1.5943	70	1.9669	110	2.0474	112	1.5249	76	1.2312	73	1.4938	75	1.4957	72
subList	1.3108	76	1.6021	80	1.4792	80	1.8457	98	1.4910	85	1.5117	71	1.7022	75	0.9414	75
toArray	1.6418	84	1.5024	84	2.0934	73	1.6739	106	1.5418	79	1.7455	83	1.5694	69	2.0213	80

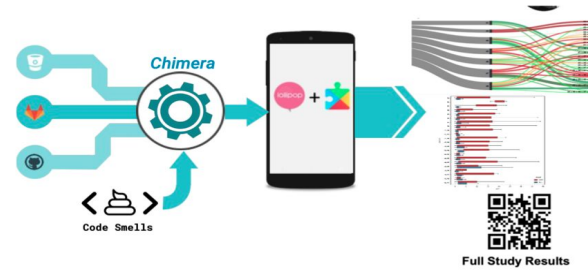
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clear	2.0276	94	2.2961	88	1.8395	104	1.5761	94	1.5025	97	2.0777	98	2.1401	106	1.6706	98	1.8143	105	1.9941	95
containsKey	2.3132	105	2.1693	123	2.1343	103	1.8582	94	1.8726	103	1.6018	107	1.8055	99	1.9452	100	2.3366	89	1.9675	108
containsValue	21.5611	2305	7.8032	643	8.3615	683	8.4957	765	6.1326	462	7.3755	692	7.9912	678	9.1771	847	7.9341	714	6.7072	562
entrySet	2.2878	93	2.2363	116	1.8531	108	2.1332	107	1.8362	113	1.7800	97	2.1557	102	2.1617	115	1.7087	105	1.4666	102
get	2.3106	103	1.9972	119	1.8120	102	1.4071	100	1.8252	116	1.7851	97	1.5359	100	2.2331	115	1.5252	89	1.7185	103
iterateAll	2.1041	96	1.8353	115	2.6673	100	1.5343	91	1.6462	111	1.6362	100	2.0472	116	1.9122	111	1.6574	95	1.7139	106
keySet	1.7287	95	2.4889	124	1.6813	114	2.2226	99	1.8328	103	1.4866	92	2.0630	106	2.1680	110	1.5547	99	1.8749	105
put	1.8591	104	2.2888	102	2.4628	92	1.3123	96	2.0338	108	1.7038	107	2.1646	102	1.4355	91	2.1204	93	2.5784	105
putAll	1.4147	95	2.2852	122	1.7564	100	1.5949	105	1.8608	113	1.3097	95	2.1461	112	1.8914	116	2.3094	87	2.0750	108
remove	1.8574	92	2.2131	105	1.9256	109	1.6067	97	2.2300	106	1.9660	98	2.2178	106	1.8133	101	1.6888	92	2.4103	103
values	1.8279	85	2.4690	116	2.5755	109	2.2266	94	2.0009	107	1.9120	111	2.0692	108	1.4467	105	1.6533	100	2.4628	111

# SOFTWARE QUALITY SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

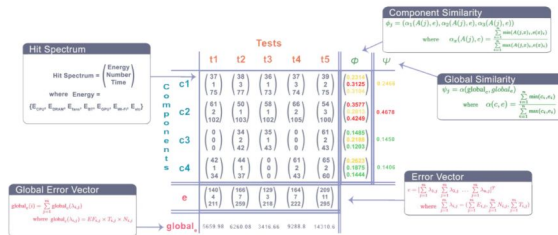
## Green Computing Benchmarking/Data collection



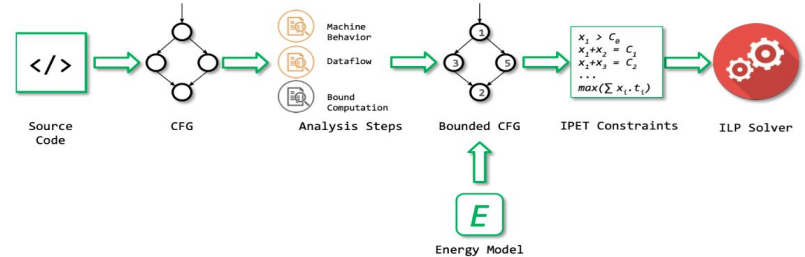
## Green Computing Energy Impact of Android Code Smells



## Green Computing Spectrum-Based Energy Leak Localization



## Green Computing Static Energy Analysis in Software Product Lines



# SOFTWARE QUALITY SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

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Group's Page



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# aws PROJECT CYBER SECURITY

- Collaboration with **amazon**
- Formalize the security of AWS **Key Management Service**
- **Decentralized** system for protecting crypto keys of AWS users
  - Hardware Security Modules
  - Amazon operators
  - Front-end hosts



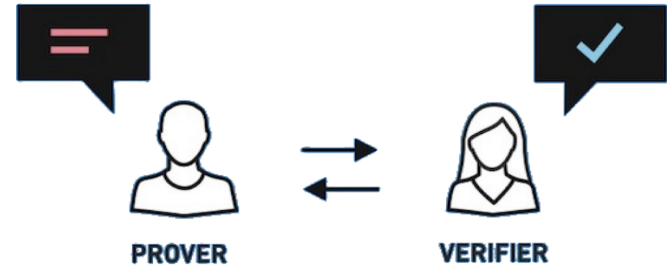
- A **machine-checked** cryptographic proof of protocol security
  - Largest machine-checked proof to date using EasyCrypt

# EC-ZK PROJECT

## CYBER SECURITY

- Collaboration with , part of  **SIEVE** Zero-Knowledge Proof Research Program

**ZKP:** *prover* convinces a *verifier* that it knows a secret belonging to some relation



- **Machine-checked proof** of “MPC-in-the-Head” using EasyCrypt
  - modular construction to build ZKP for generic relations
  - used in modern quantum-secure signature schemes
- **Verified implementation** obtained via code synthesis
  - automatically extracted executable code
  - verified high-speed assembly operations



## FCT (2018-2021)

### Goals

- Secure, efficient, and scalable approach to building completely **decentralized systems** for society critical applications
- Build on emerging technologies for **trusted execution environments**:
  - Intel SGX
  - ARM TrustZone
- **Reducing** computational and communicational costs of expensive cryptographic protocols used today in secure **decentralized** systems
- A new toolbox of **hardware-backed** abstractions and new protocols for decentralized **storage** and processing applications

# THEIA PROJECT CYBER SECURITY



**BOSCH**

**U. PORTO**

## Ongoing (2021-2023)

**Goal:** Develop and apply intelligent perception algorithms to support autonomous driving

## Challenges (GDPR compliance)

- secure machine learning for connected vehicles
- secure inter-vehicle data communication
- secure in-vehicle data processing
- secure in-vehicle data storage

## Other (non-THEIA) Automotive Partners

**altran**  
Part of Capgemini

**Continental**



## INCLUSIVE NON-AUTHORITATIVE DIGITAL IDENTITY

The project aims to create an effective and inclusive identification platform open to all citizens, in countries that do not have central identification systems (civil registration infrastructures).

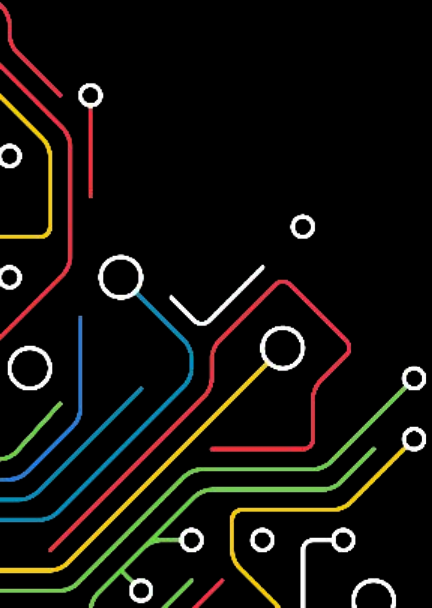
The innovative nature of IDINA will help exploring the potential of **institutions and other agents** that work in the field, as **sources of reliable information** about citizens, with whom they have direct contact (non-governmental entities, for instance). In this sense, it will be possible to validate the data provided by the different entities about each citizen, and improve them throughout their life events.

### Goals

- Design and implementation of a non-authoritative digital identity system filling the void stemming from a non-existent or incomplete State-managed legal identity system
- Inclusive solution enabling individuals to prove their identities to entities they regularly interact with, requiring no tech or low
- A stepping stone leading to a future full-fledge, State-managed legal identity authoritative system



**THANK YOU!**



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