Organic Real-time Programming: Towards Self-Evolving and Self-Adaptive Real-time Software

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For upcoming Cyber Physical Systems with a high need of adaptation to changing environments an appropriate programming approach is needed. In this presentation we will argue that such systems have to be highly adaptive and self-evolving. The general vision and approach will be pointed out. Furthermore specific approaches solving important aspects of such a programming paradigm will be presented. The aspects discussed will include the identification of adaptation needs using online Model Checking, real-time-aware adaptation mechanisms, and self-adapting safety guards by means of Artificial Immune Systems. In addition an appropriate architectural framework based on real-time-capable virtualization will be discussed.

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