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Software Parallelization in Embedded, Heterogeneous Multi/Manycore Systems

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Many of today's embedded systems, like Automotive powertrain control units, or automated driving assistance systems, require more and more computational power. However, since the processor speed cannot be increased any more, the performance increase is realized by multicore CPUs (up to 16 or more CPUs) or manycore accelerators (GPUs, with hundreds of small processing nodes). However, this is a huge challenge for software developers as most of them are not yet familiar with the specifics of multi/manycore programming. Additionally, such systems typically have real-time requirements, which adds another layer of complexity to the software development. In this talk, Prof. Margull will describe some of the problems in detail and show possible solutions and their limitations. The work presented here is part of FORMUS³IC, a joined research project with partners from industry (Airbus, AUDI, Continental, Infineon, and others) as well as universities (FAU Erlangen, OTH Regensbung, TH Ingolstadt, and others). Link: http://www.formus3ic.de



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