



# VM Analysis – Episode 4

Wait analysis of virtualized environments using host kernel tracing

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# Agenda

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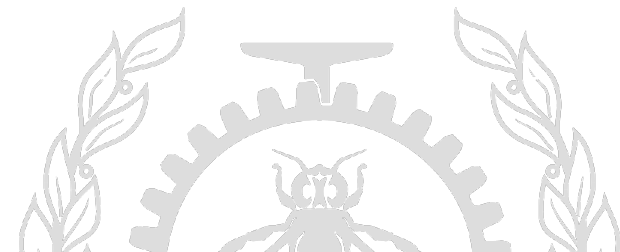
## Introduction

- Research update and research motivation

## New Investigations

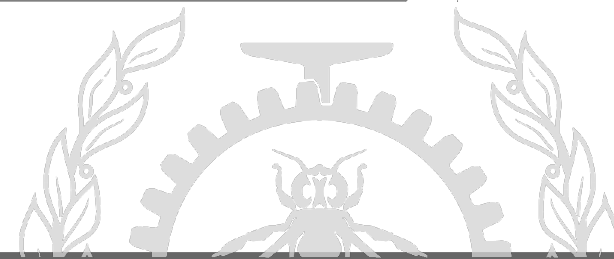
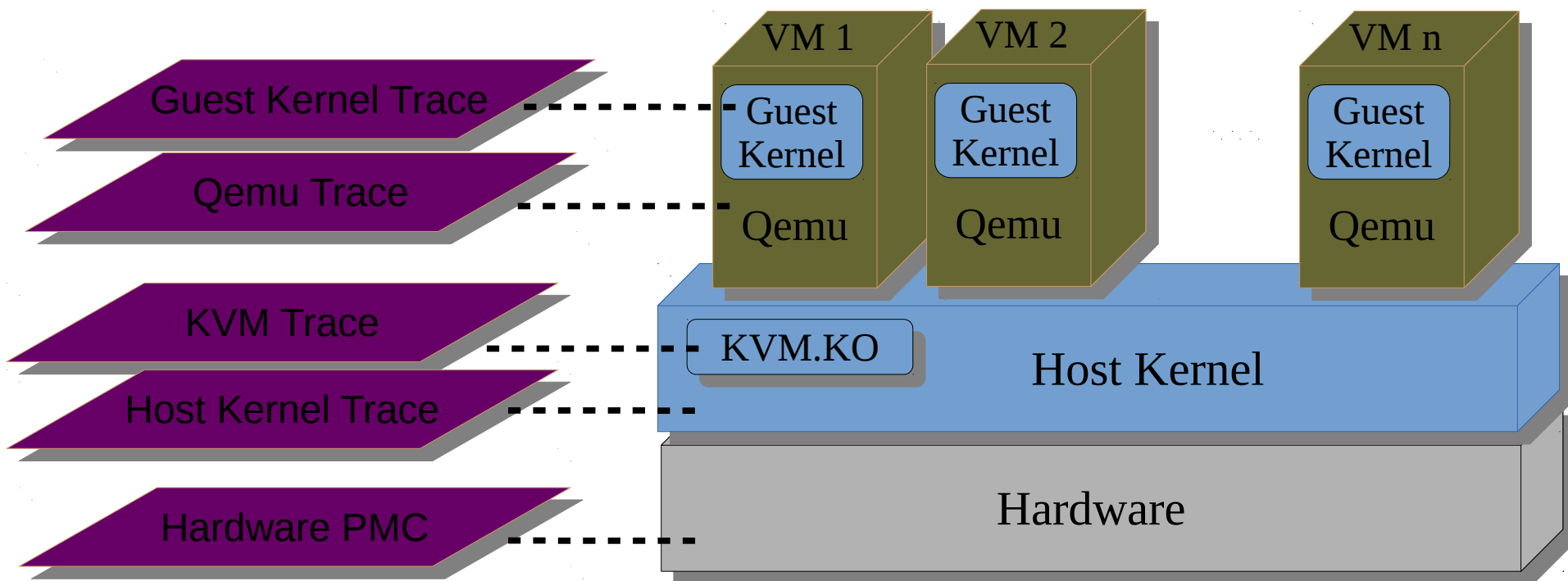
- Wait analysis of virtualized environments using host kernel tracing
  - State of the art
  - Proposed Algorithm
  - Demo
- KVM-Tool for eBPF

## Conclusion and in-progress



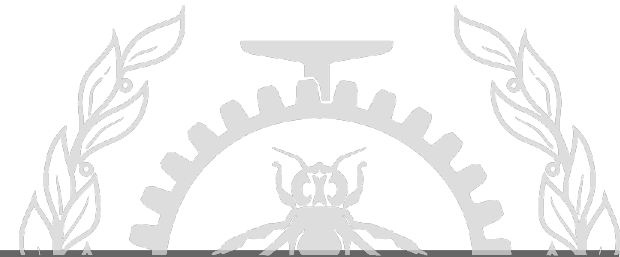
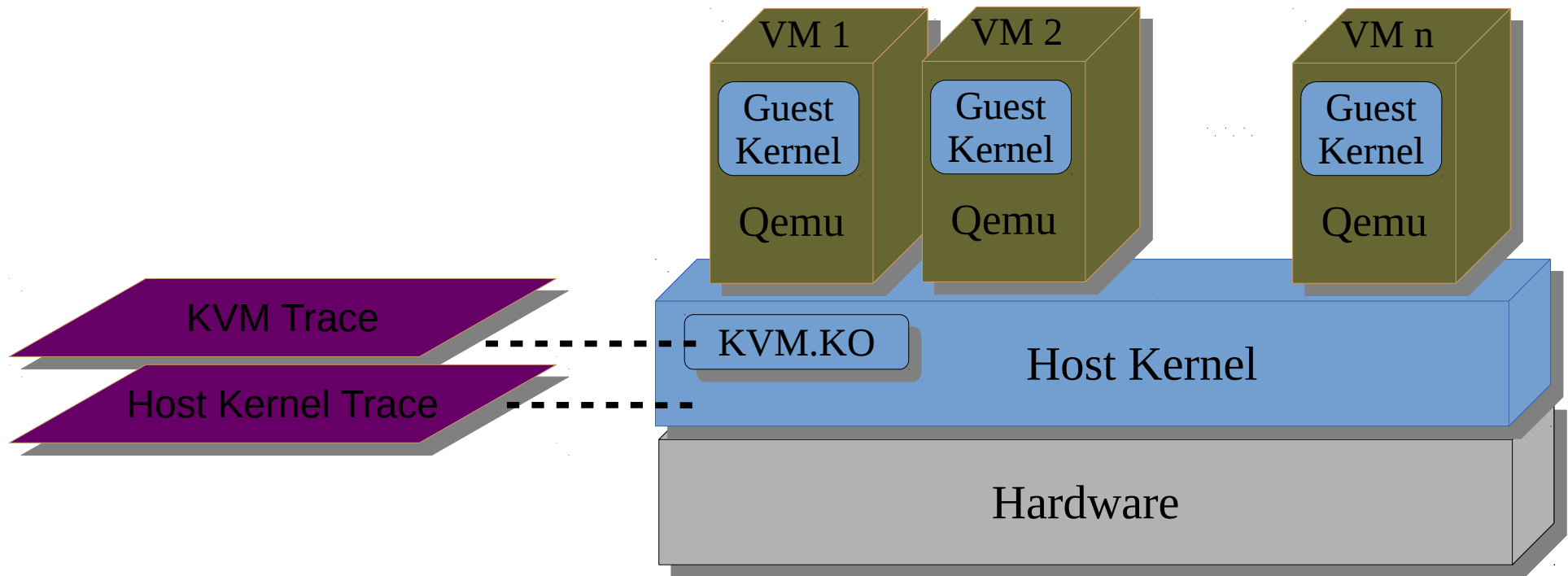
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## Available Trace-Points in different layers



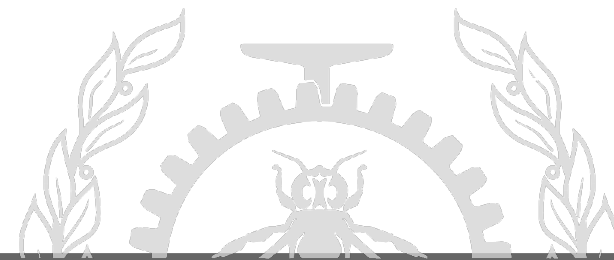
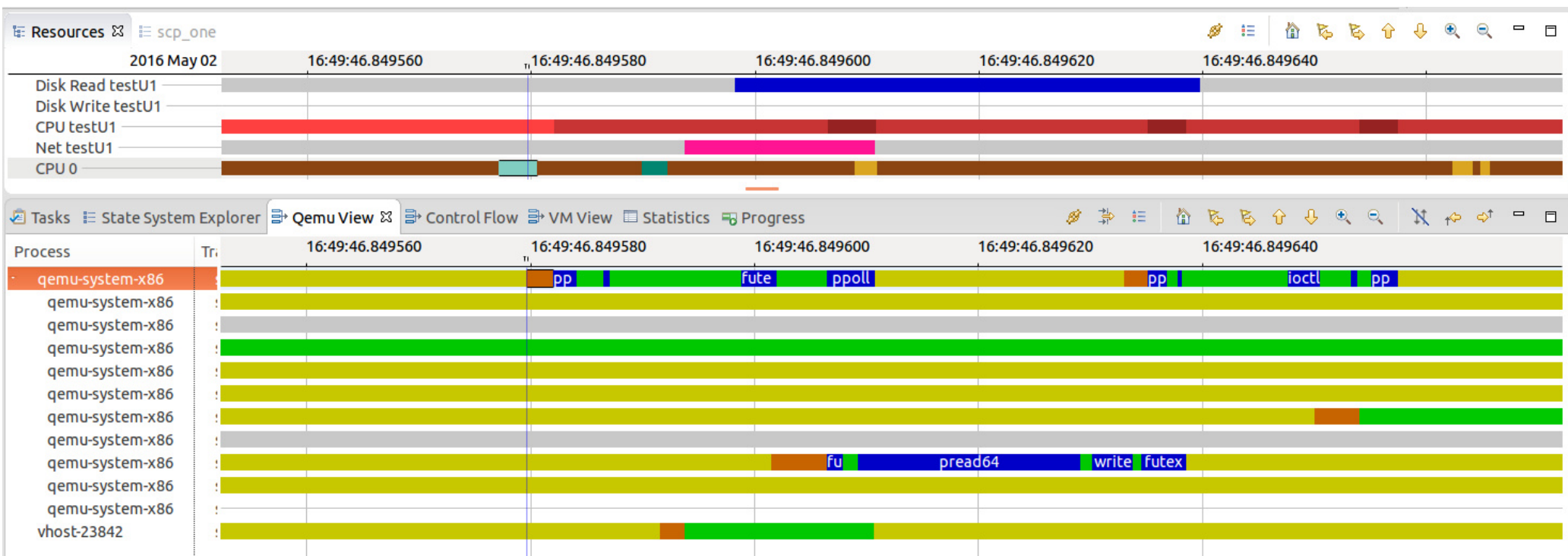
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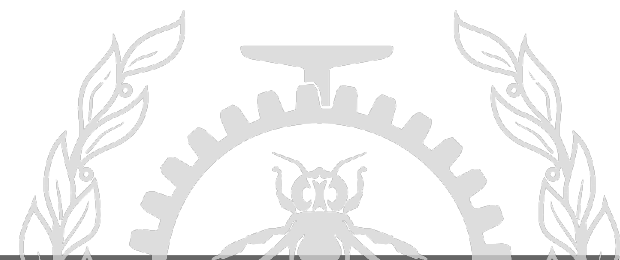
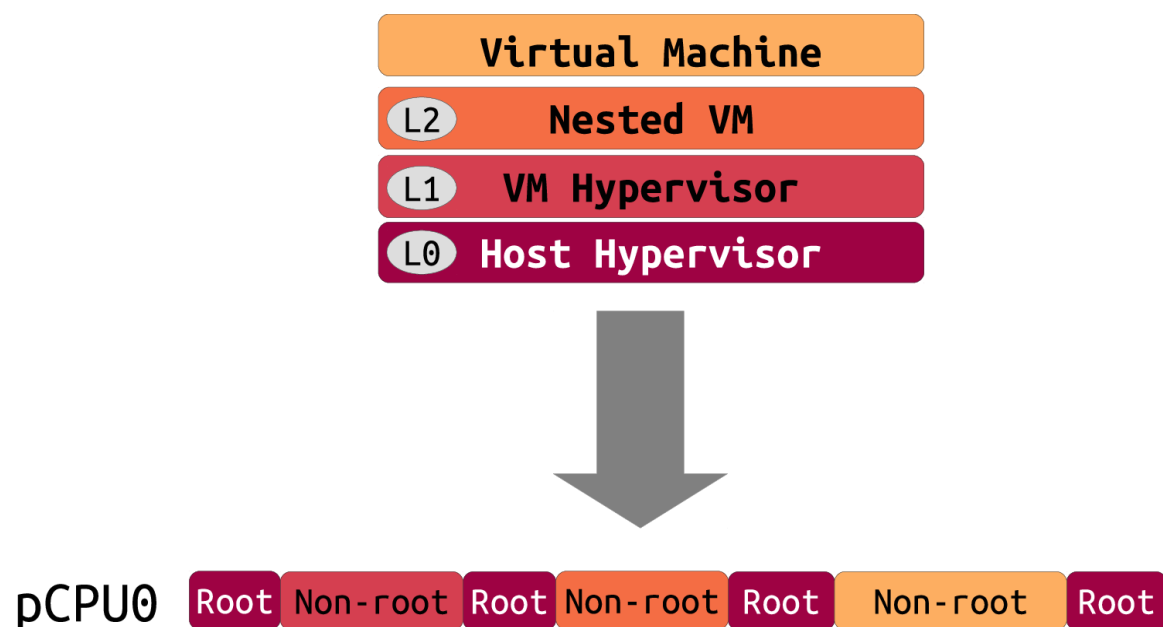
## Resource View for VM without tracing the VM



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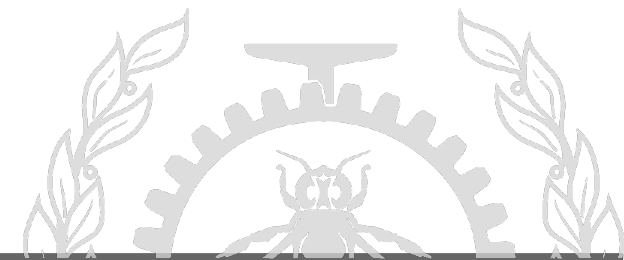
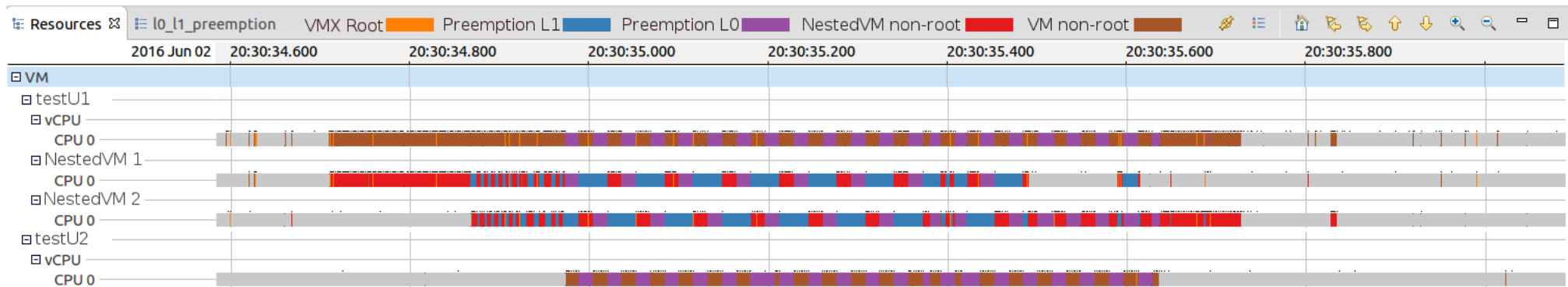
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## VirtFlow: Execution Flow Analysis of Virtual Machine



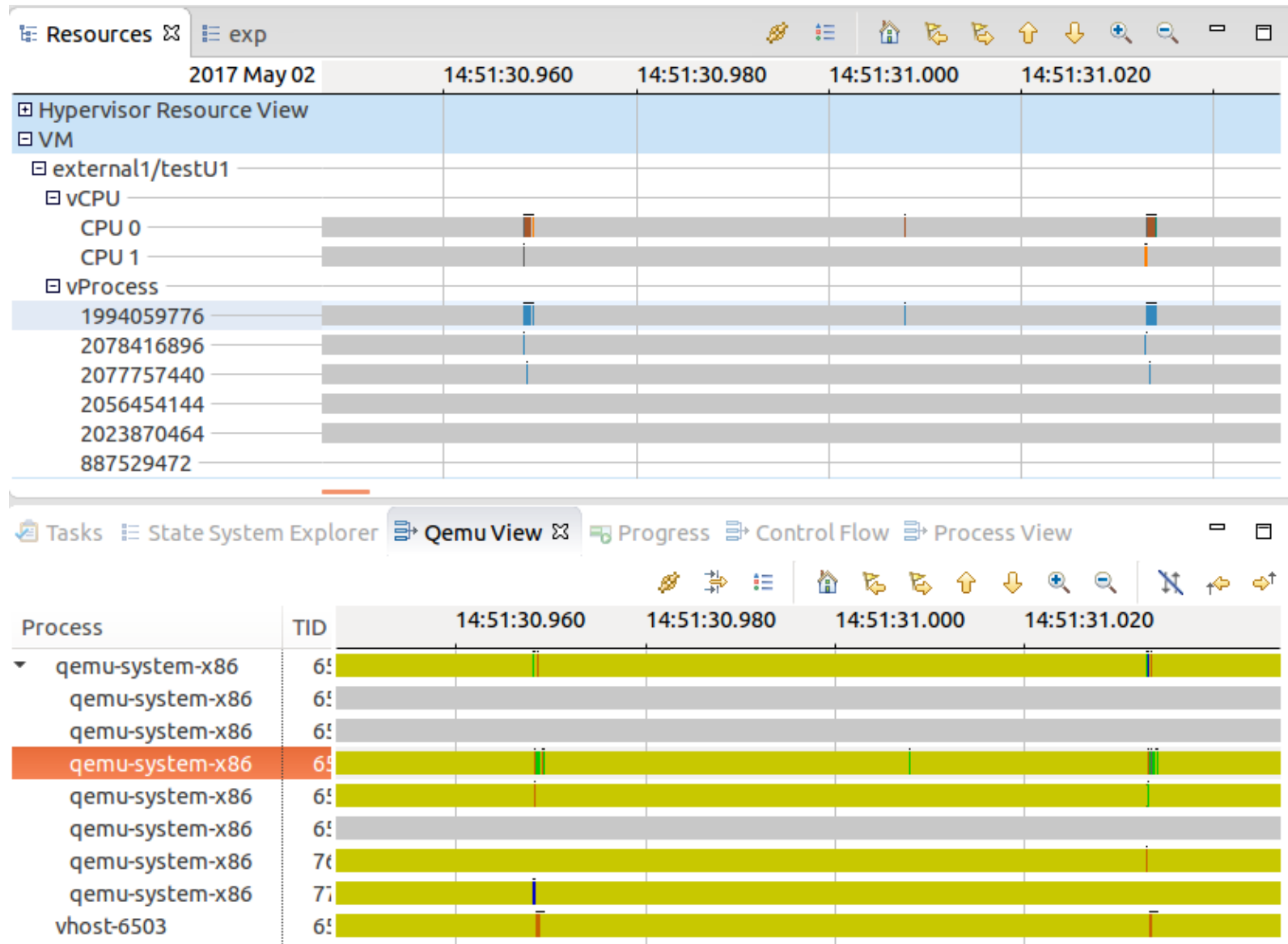
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Two Nested VMs and One VM are preempting each other



# Motivation

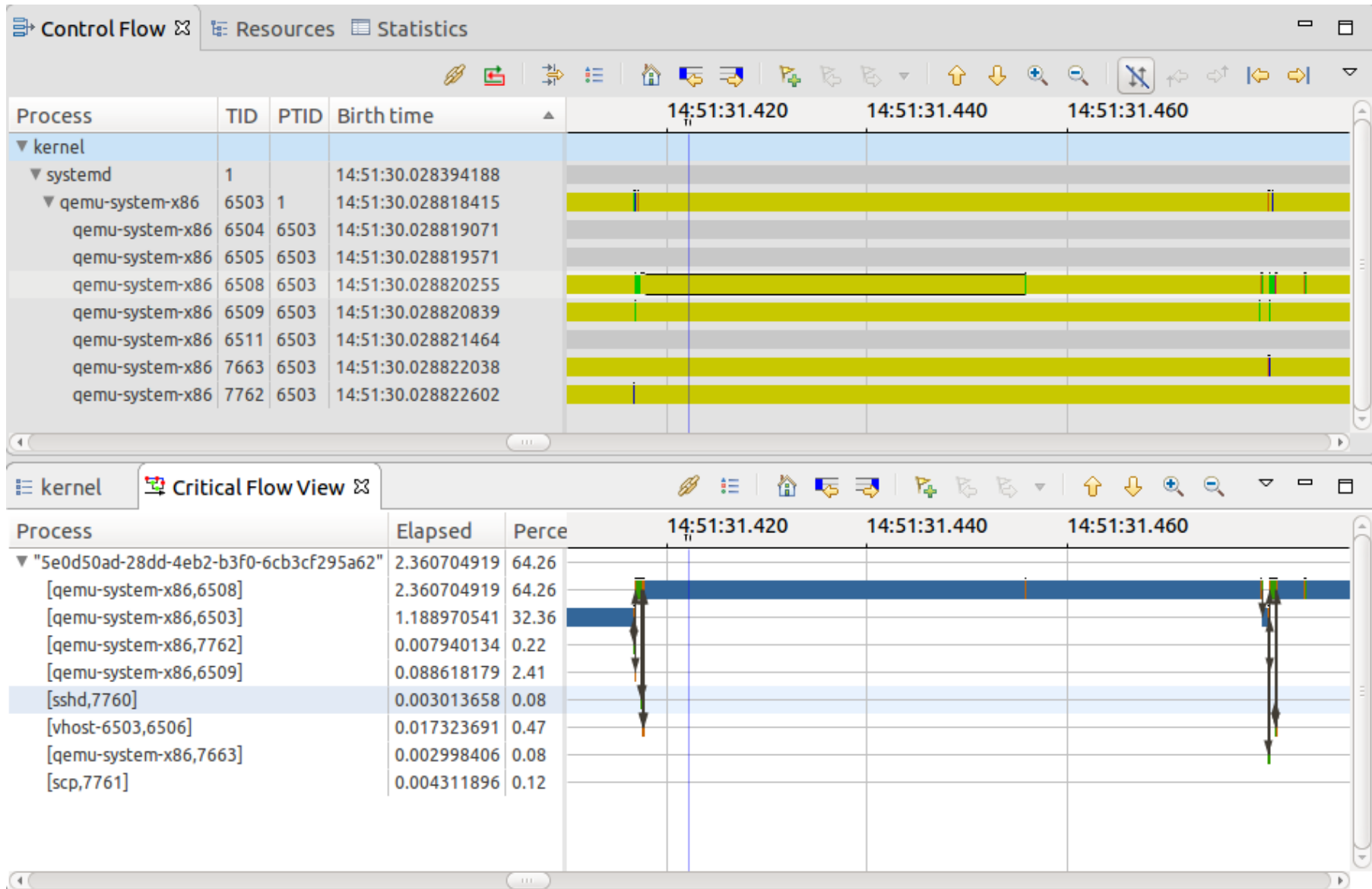
## Why the VM is waiting?





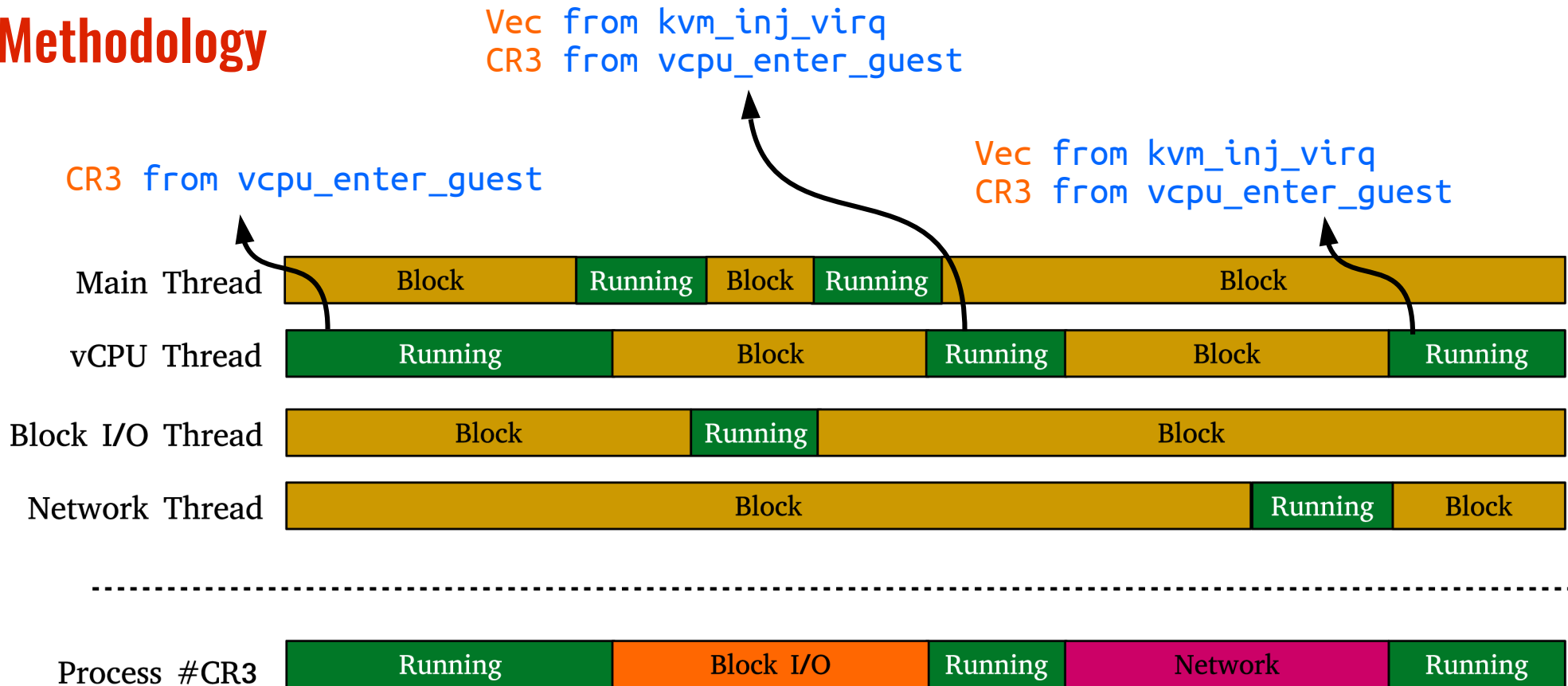
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## Let's use the Critical Flow view of Trace Compass?

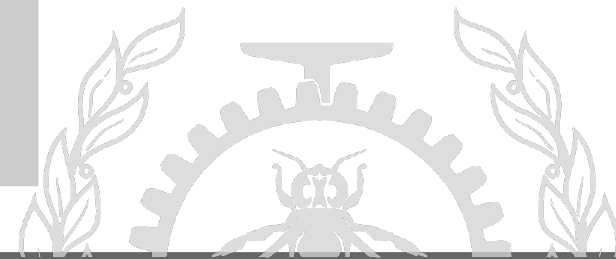


# Investigations

## Methodology

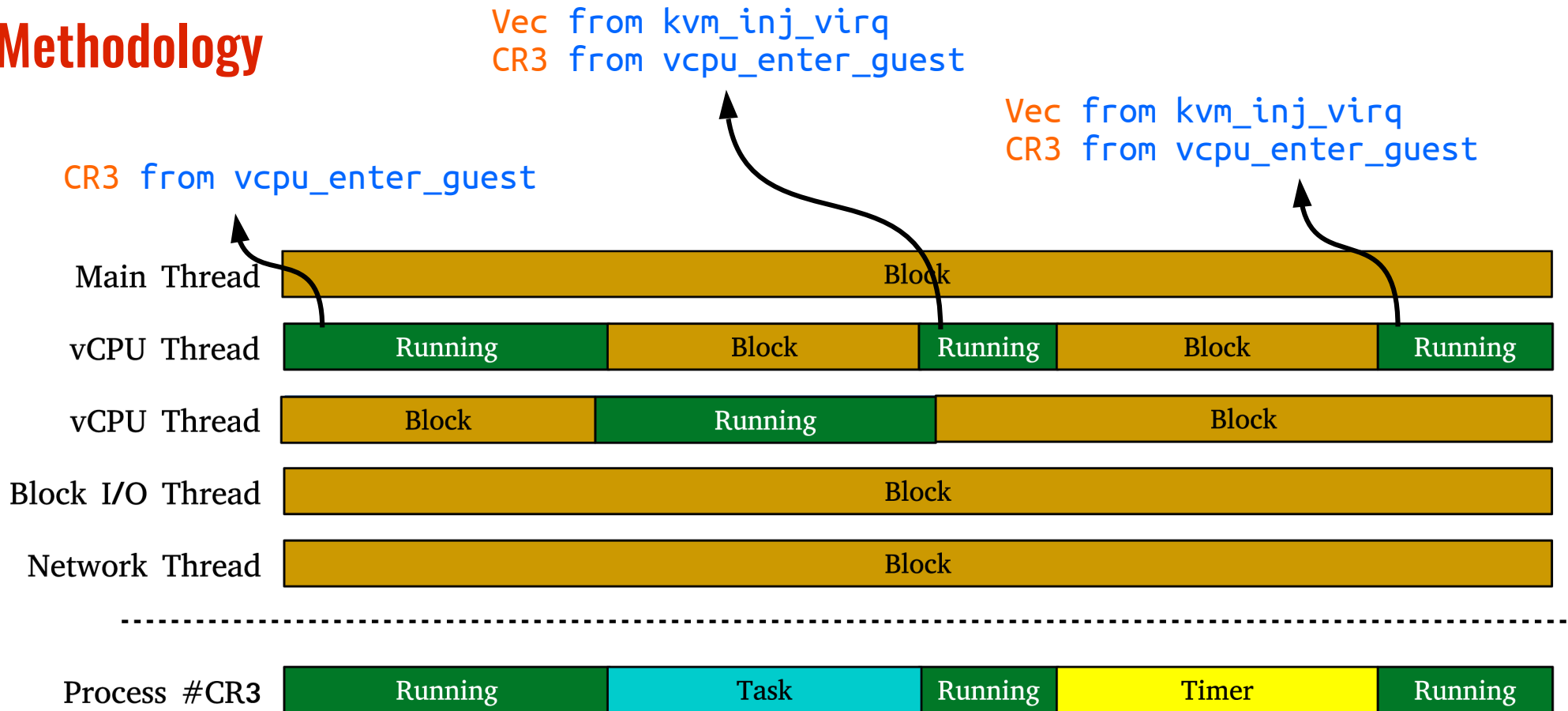


```
If (Vec == (Block I/O irq)) {  
    Block State = Block I/O State  
} else if (Vec == (network irq)) {  
    Block State = Network State  
}
```

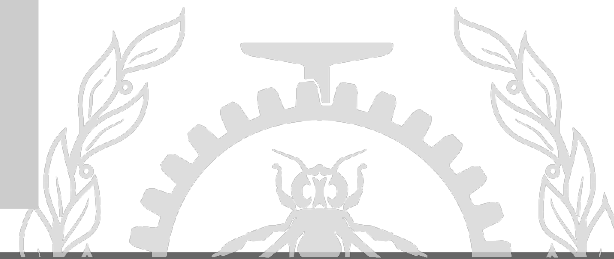


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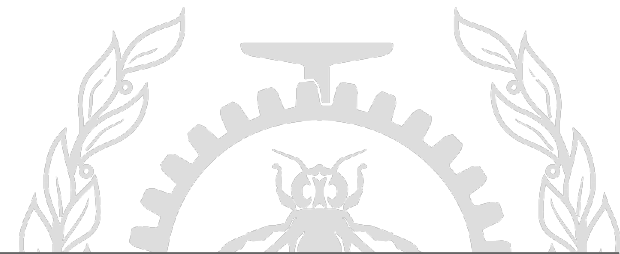
## Methodology



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If (Vec == 239) {  
    Block State = Timer  
} else if (Vec == 251) {  
    Block State = Task  
}
```



# Demo

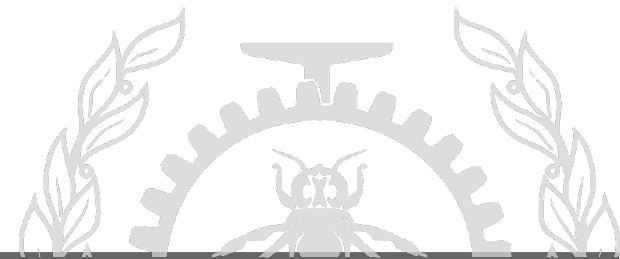


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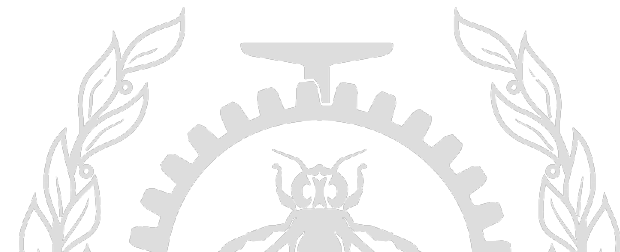
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## What do you need to test this project?

- Access to **Host** only
- Run **LTTng** on Host with my new added tracepoint (vcpu\_enter\_guest)
- Clone **TraceCompass** from my github (virtFlow)
  - <https://github.com/Nemati>
- Open Resource View of TraceCompass



**One More Thing ...**



# KVM-Tools

For

# eBPF

# Conclusion and in-progress

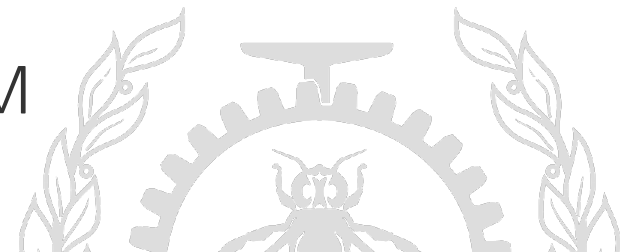
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## Inferences

- Wait Analyzing of process inside VM
- A process is waiting for
  - A Block request to finish
  - A network packet to receive
  - Another process
  - A timer to fire

## What you will see in Episode 5

- Wait Analyzing of process inside Nested VM





# Questions?

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