

Schedulability Analysis and Software Synthesis for Graph-based Task Models with Resource Sharing

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Motivation

- Execute different functions in different contexts
- Model multi-rate execution

General Features

- Supports different jobtypes
- Uses graph as release pattern

Applications

- Stateflow blocks of Simulink
- Angle-synchronous task (automotive)
- Frame processing (multimedia)

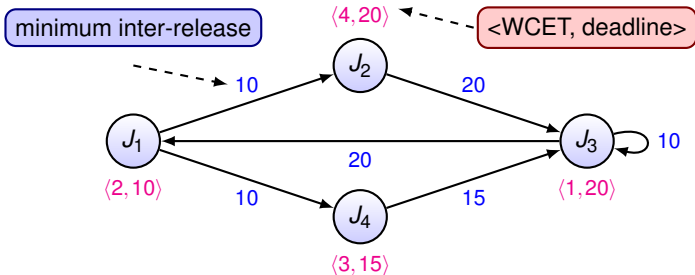


Digraph Real-Time (DRT) Task Model

(Stigge et al, RTAS 2011)

Features

- Arbitrary directed graph as sporadic release pattern
- Generalizes graph-based task models like Generalized MultiFrame (GMF), Recurring Branching (RB), ...





What about resource sharing?

Resource sharing

- Sharing memory for inter-task communication
- Original DRT model supports
 - Fully preemptive execution - *no resource sharing*
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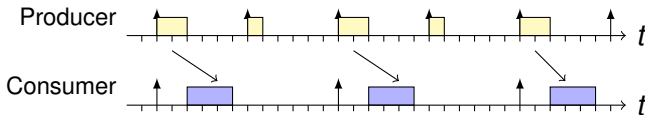
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Observation

In a *multi-periodic* system all jobs of a task do not require resource sharing





Communication-by-Sampling

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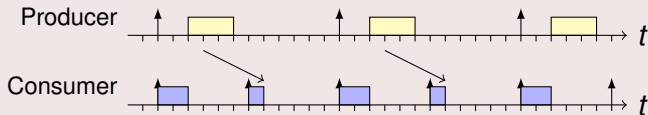
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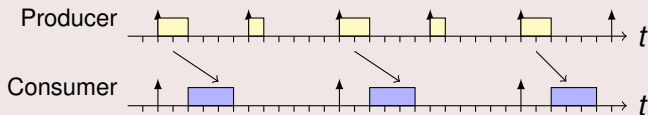
Oversampling in Communication

Reuse old data for slower producer



Undersampling in Communication

Write data only for potential reader

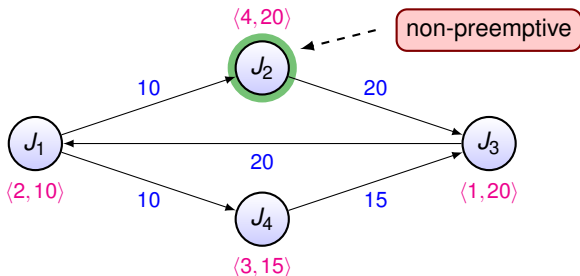




Our Proposal

Resource sharing DRT

- DRT with Preemptive + Non-preemptive execution
- Resource sharing jobtypes - *non-preemptive execution*
- Other jobtypes - preemptive execution





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Settings

- DRT tasks with preemptive + non-preemptive jobs
- Fixed task-level unique priority
- Constrained deadline
- Uniprocessor

Existing analysis

- 1 Fully preemptive execution (Stigge et al. 13)
- 2 Fully non-preemptive execution (Stigge et al. 15)

Research question

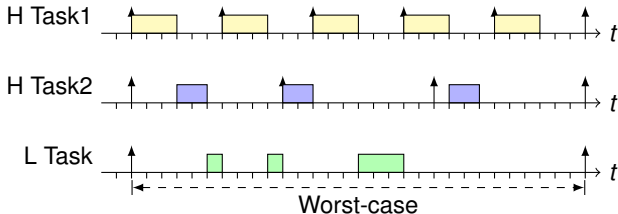
Does mixed execution require new analysis? Let's look deep



Preemptive Vs. Non-preemptive

Fully Preemptive Case

- Lower priority has no effect on higher priority execution
- *Critical instant*: Simultaneous release of all higher priority tasks

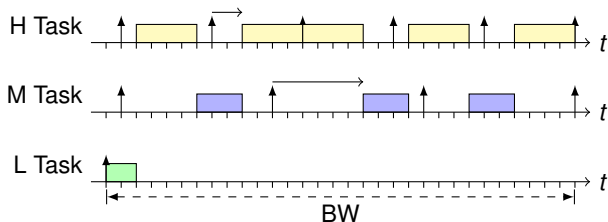




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Fully Non-preemptive Case

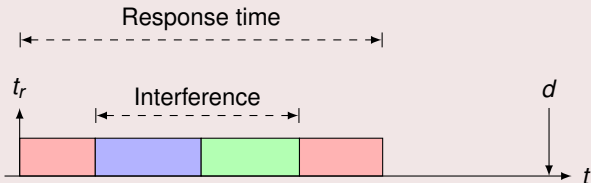
- Lower priority can push execution of higher priority
- First job released in critical instant does not give worst-case situation
- Requires checking multiple jobs in continuously busy execution interval known as *busy window (BW)*



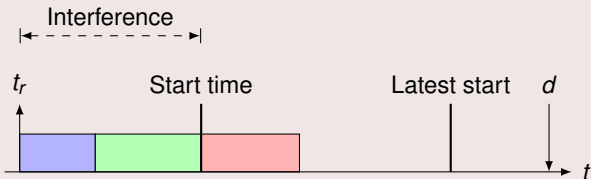


Preemptive Vs. Non-preemptive

Preemptive Job Test



Non-preemptive Job Test





Challenges in our case

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Preemptive job in mixed execution

- DRT releases different jobtypes following different paths
- Predecessor jobs can be non-preemptive
- Interfering jobs (other tasks) can be non-preemptive
- BW analysis for non-preemptive job will not work
- *Requires new BW based analysis*

Busy window

- Exact length of worst-case BW for a job is unknown
- Need to check different intervals to see whether a job under test can be part of a BW



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Timing Analysis

An *exact test* for fixed priority schedulability analysis of DRT task with preemptive + non-preemptive execution

Software Synthesis

Ada code synthesis of DRT tasks with resource sharing



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Main Idea

- *Different BW based analysis* for preemptive and non-preemptive jobs
- Start with an interval for smallest possible BW
- Check whether the job under test can *finish* (preemptive) or *start* (non-preemptive) within it
- Increment the interval to include predecessor jobs until it reaches *upper bound* on BW length
- If a job passes all possible scenario, it is schedulable
- If *all jobs* of a task pass, the task is schedulable



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Preemptive Job

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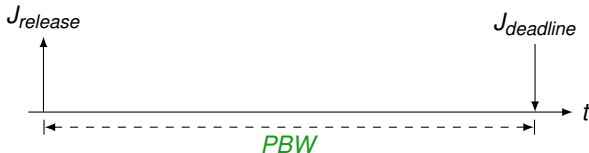
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Initialization

Start with scheduling window of job under test J as potential busy window (PBW)





Algorithm Step 2

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Workload Computation

Compute total workload $TW = (\text{High priority interference} + \text{Non-preemptive blocking} + \text{task under test})$ in PBW



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Workload Abstraction

Use path based workload abstraction for DRT tasks (Stigge et al. 13)



Request Functions

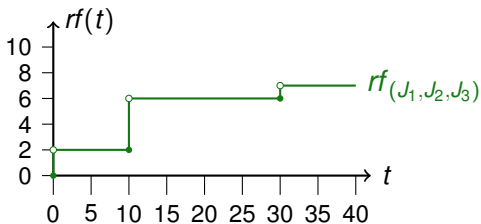
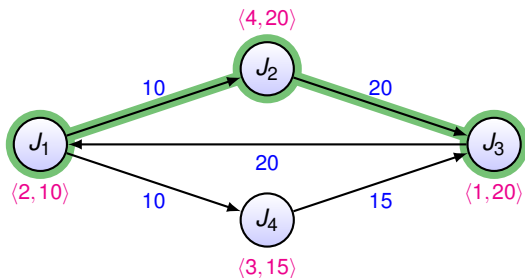
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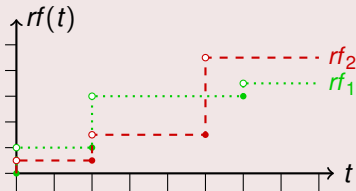
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Workload Abstraction

Over-approximation



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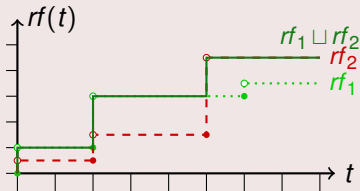
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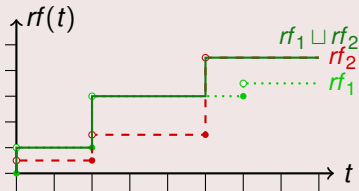
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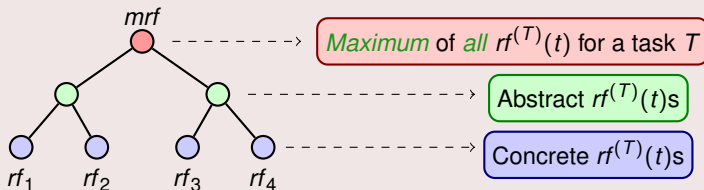
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Abstraction tree



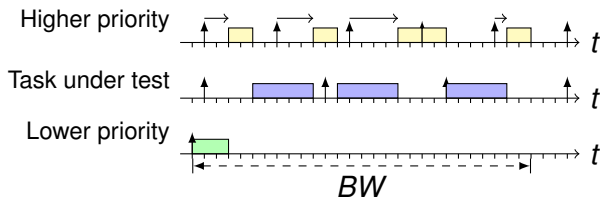


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Maximum Blocking

- 1 One lower priority blocking per BW
- 2 Longest lower priority non-preemptive job maximizes



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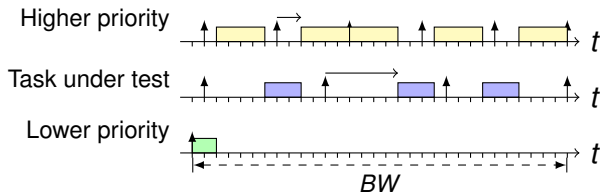
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Multiple jobs in BW

Include predecessor jobs for $BW > \text{scheduling window}$



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Preemptive Job

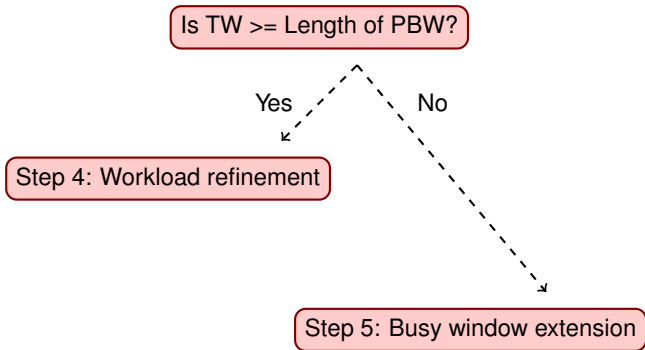
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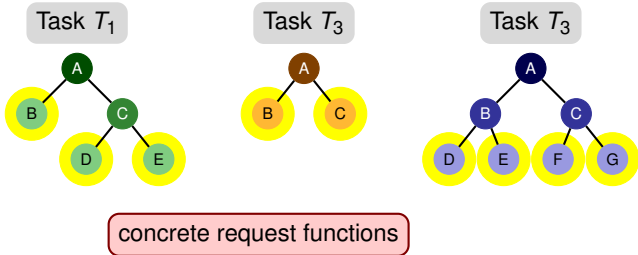
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Workload Refinement

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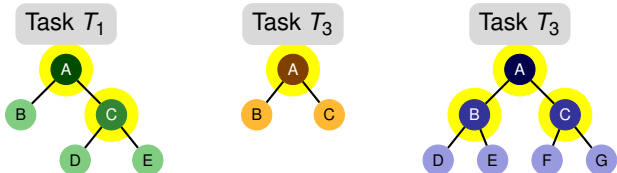
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- If TW includes any *abstract workload* then refine it and go back to step 2



abstract request functions: candidates for refinement

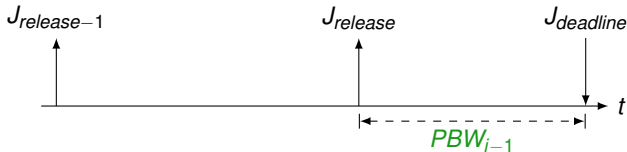


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Busy Window (BW) extension

Extend PBW *backwards* to include another release of task under test



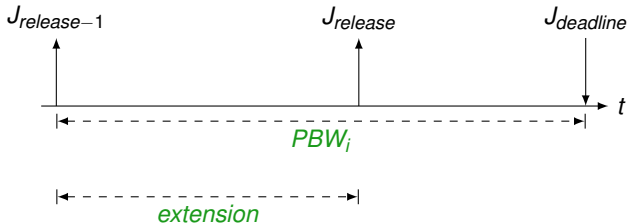


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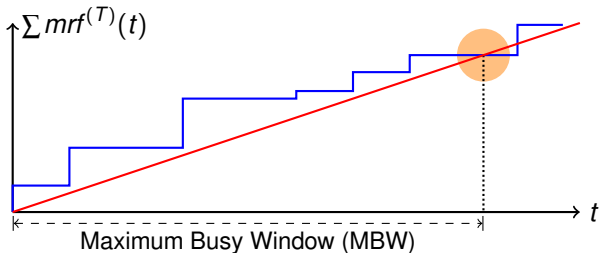


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Busy Window (BW) extension

- If new PBW < MBW, go to step 2, otherwise feasible
- MBW is the smallest t where $\sum_{T \in \tau} mrf^{(T)}(t) \leq t$





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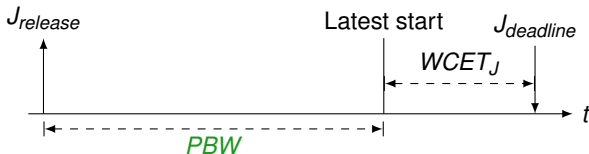
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- Start time computation excludes job under test
- High priority jobs can not preempt non-preemptive execution

Change 1

The initial PBW = Scheduling window - WCET of Job under test





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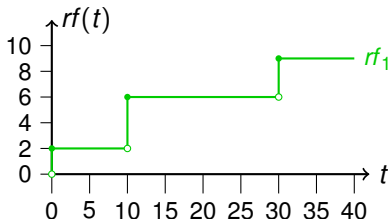
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High priority interference (request functions) should include jobs released at the end of an interval





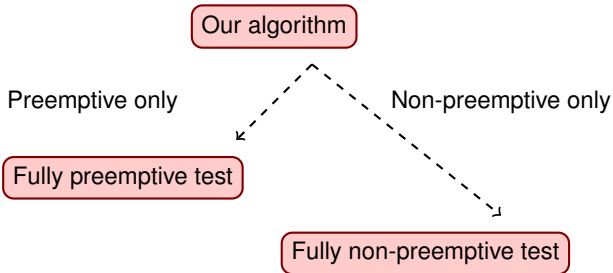
Algorithm Summary

Generalization

Exactness

Our test is exact for *sporadic* release as

- Pass means taskset is schedulable
- Fail generates a set of job releases that is not schedulable





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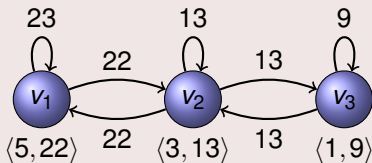
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Random tasksets

- 200 DRT tasksets/3% utilization
- Maximum 25 tasks/taskset
- Randomly assigned *unique priority* to each task
- Randomly marked *jobtypes* as non-preemptive

Realistic workload

- A fully non-preemptive angle-synchronous DRT task



- Bosch case study (2015) + Mohaqeqi et al. 17



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Acceptance Vs. Utilization

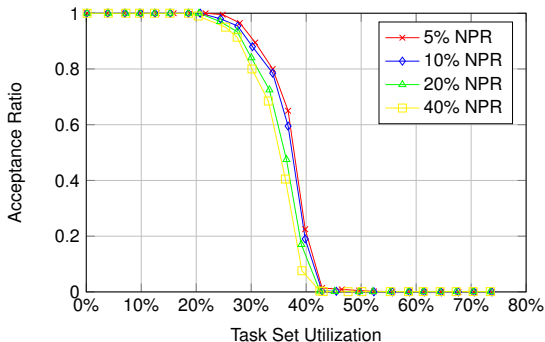


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Job types	Branching degree	p	d/p	e/d
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Runtime Vs. Utilization

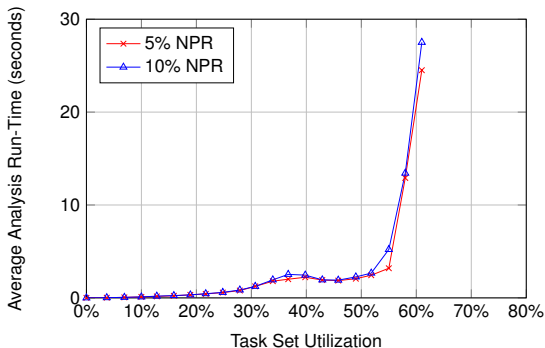


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Evaluation

Observations

On acceptance

- Ratio of non-preemptive jobtypes has little effect
- Priority assignment influences acceptance in higher utilization
- Taskset schedulable in mixed execution may not be schedulable in fully preemptive or fully non-preemptive settings

On runtime

- Testing time for schedulable tasksets < 10 seconds
- Depends on length of MBW
- Complexity: Strongly co-NP hard (from fully preemptive case)



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How to generate code for resource sharing DRT?

Two key features need implementation:

- 1 Event-triggered (sporadic) release of different jobtypes
- 2 Mixed preemptive and non-preemptive execution

Our Approach

We use Ada programming language and its runtime for generating DRT code



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Event-triggered release

- Use Ada Protected Object (PO) to release based on event
- Interrupt handlers are attached with POs
- Jobs can block on a PO entry

Example

```
-- Event receiver is a protected object
-- Task blocked here for next release
Event_receiver.Wait(event_id);
if event_id = u then
    -- call jobtype for u
else if event_id = v then
    -- call jobtype for v
```



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Preemptive + Non-preemptive execution

- Assign one global PO maximum system priority
- Put all non-preemptive job procedures in the global PO
- PO uses Immediate Ceiling Priority Protocol (ICPP)

Example

```
-- Entry for blocking tasks
entry Wait (Event: event_type ID);
-- Highest System priority
pragma Interrupt_Priority (Priority_Max);
-- Declaration for non-preemptive procedures
procedure NPR_Job1_task_a;
procedure NPR_Job2_task_a;
procedure NPR_Job1_task_b;
...
```



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Summary and Future Work

Summary

- Exact fixed priority schedulability test for DRT with job-level non-preemptive resource sharing
- Quick analysis for schedulable taskset
- Software synthesis using Ada without runtime modification

Future Work

- Analysis for co-operative scheduling
- Apply classical resource sharing protocols
- Compute end-to-end latency
- Abstraction refinement on busy window extension

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