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# 1 Introduction

|          | $T = D$ | $C$ | $load$ |
|----------|---------|-----|--------|
| $\tau_1$ | 20      | 4   | 20%    |
| $\tau_2$ | 10      | 2   | 20%    |
| $\tau_3$ | 5       | 3   | 60%    |
|          |         |     | 100%   |

Round Robin failed  
RM success

## 2 Uniprocessor real-time scheduling

Correctness: logical result of computations *and* time of the result

- **Hard-real time**: catastrophic consequences
- **Firm real-time**: some deadline may be missed
- **Soft real-time**: deadline missed not important

**Job**  $J_i = (a, e, d)$

- $a$ : release time
- $e$ : computer requirement (#CPU unit must be received in  $[a, d)$ )
- $d$ : absolute deadline

**Periodic task**  $\tau_i = (O_i, T_i, D_i, C_i)$

- $O_i$  offset: release time of the 1<sup>st</sup> job
- $T_i$ : period between 2 consecutive task releases
- $D_i$  relative deadline: time delay between time release and absolute deadline
- $C_i$  computation time: worst-case execution requirement

Induce infinite sequence of jobs:  $J_{i,1}, J_{i,2}, J_{i,3}, \dots, J_{i,k}, \dots$

$$a = O_i + (k-1)T_i \quad e = C_i \quad d = a + D_i$$

**Sporadic task**:  $T$  is the *minimum* between 2 consecutive task release

**Periodic/sporadic system**: finite set of periodic/sporadic tasks  $\tau = \{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n\}$

**Task utilization**  $U(\tau_i) := \frac{C_i}{T_i}$       **System utilization**  $U(\tau) := \sum_{\tau_i \in \tau} U(\tau_i)$

- **Implicit deadline**:  $\forall i : D_i = T_i$
- **Constrained deadline**:  $\forall i : D_i \leq T_i$
- **Arbitrary deadline**
- **Synchronous**:  $\forall i : O_i = 0$
- **Asynchronous**: not synchronous
- **Scheduling discipline**: algo. distribute resources
- **Preemptive scheduler**: capable interrupts process to allocate another
- **FTP Fixed Task Priority**: offline, one priority by task
- **FJP Fixed Job Priority**: online, one priority by job
- **DP Unrestricted Dynamic Priority**: priority may be change during lifetime of job

Assumptions on this chapter:

- uniprocessor

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- hard real-time
- preemptible tasks/jobs
- **work-conserving**: CPU cannot be idle if exist active jobs
- tasks are independent (only CPU is shared)

**Job response time** = completion time - release time

**Lemma 6.**  $U(\tau) \leq 1 \iff \tau$  schedulable

## 2.1 FTP

WLOG:  $\tau_1 > \tau_2 > \tau_3 > \dots > \tau_n$  ( $\approx$ sort,  $O(n \log n)$ )

### 2.1.1 RM Rate Monotonic: lower period, higher priority

For synchronous, *implicit* deadline

- **System FTP-feasible**: if exists schedulable FTP-priority assignment
- **Assignment FTP-optimal**: if schedules *all* FTP-feasible system

**Critical instant of  $\tau_i$** : instant s.t. job release at this instant has maximum response time of all jobs in  $\tau_i$

**Lemma 10** (LIU, 2000).

$J_{i,k}$  release at same time  $t$  job of every higher priority task  
 $\iff t$  is critical instant of  $\tau_i$

**Lemma 11.**  $\tau$  periodic,  $S_1, S_2$  schedules of work-conserving schedulers for  $\tau$

$\forall t: S_1$  is idle at  $t \iff S_2$  is idle at  $t$

**Thm 12.** synchronous, *implicit* deadline  
 RM is an FTP-optimal priority assignment

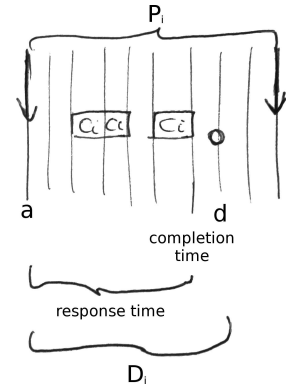
$r_i^1$ : response time of the 1<sup>st</sup> request of  $\tau_i$

**Thm 13.** synchronous, *constrained* deadline  
 FTP-schedulable  $\iff \forall i: r_i^1 \leq D_i$

AUDSLEY & TINDELL, 1991:  $r_i^1 = C_i + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \left\lceil \frac{r_j^1}{T_j} \right\rceil C_j$

Fixed point iteration (until  $w_{k+1} = w_k$  or  $w_k > D_i$ ):  $w_0 := C_i$

$$w_{k+1} := C_i + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \left\lceil \frac{w_k}{T_j} \right\rceil C_j$$



**Thm 14** (LEUNG, 2004). periodic, synchronous, implicit deadline

$$U(\tau) \leq n(\sqrt[n]{2} - 1) \implies \tau \text{ feasible with RM}$$

**Corollary 17.** periodic, synchronous, implicit deadline

$$U(\tau) \leq \ln 2 = 0.693\dots \implies \tau \text{ feasible with RM}$$

|          | $T_i = D_i$ | $C_i$ |
|----------|-------------|-------|
| $\tau_1$ | 10          | 4     |
| $\tau_2$ | 15          | 3     |
| $\tau_3$ | 20          | 7     |

not schedulable with RM

### 2.1.2 DM Deadline Monotonic: lower relative deadline, higher priority

For synchronous, *constrained* deadline (RM  $\subset$  DM)

**Thm 16.** synchronous, *constrained* deadline

DM is an FTP-optimal priority assignment

|          | $T_i$ | $D_i$ | $C_i$ |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|
| $\tau_1$ | 100   | 110   | 52    |
| $\tau_2$ | 140   | 154   | 52    |

RM:  $\tau_1 > \tau_2$  failed  
 DM:  $\tau_1 > \tau_2$  failed  
 but  $\tau_2 > \tau_1$  success

$\implies$  RM  
 DM are not optimal for arbitrary deadline

**Feasibility interval:**

finite interval s.t. if no deadline missing during this interval  $\implies$  system feasible

**Thm 18.** synchronous, *constrained* deadline

$[0, \max_i D_i)$  is a feasibility interval

$x \in \mathbb{N}$  is an **idle point** if all requests occurring  $< x$  are completed  $\leq x$

CPU is idle at  $x \implies x$  is an idle point

$[a, b)$  is an **elementary busy period** if  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a, b \text{ are idle points} \\ \text{idle point} \notin (a, b) \end{array} \right.$

**Level- $i$  busy period:**  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{elementary busy period for } \{\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_i\} \\ \tau_i \text{ executes at least 1 job} \end{array} \right.$

**Thm 22.** synchronous:

largest response time for a request of  $\tau_i \in$  first level- $i$  busy period  $[0, \lambda_i)$

$\lambda_i$  is the first idle point  $> 0$  for  $\{\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_i\}$

$[0, \lambda_i)$  is the largest level- $i$  busy period

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**Thm 23.** synchronous, *arbitrary* deadline:  
 $[0, \lambda_n)$  is a feasibility interval

$\lambda_n$  is the smallest solution of  $\lambda_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\lceil \frac{\lambda_n}{T_i} \right\rceil C_i$

Fixed point iteration:  $w_0 := \sum_{i=1}^n C_i$   
 $w_{k+1} := \sum_{i=1}^n \left\lceil \frac{w_k}{T_i} \right\rceil C_i$

## 2.1.3 Asynchronous

**Hyper-period**  $P := \text{lcm}_i T_i$

$O_{max} := \max_i O_i$

**Thm 24** (LEUNG & WHITEHEAD, 1982). asynchronous, *constrained* deadline:  
 $[O_{max}, O_{max} + 2P)$  is a feasibility interval

**Thm 25.** periodic task:  
 feasibility schedules are periodic

**Thm 26.** asynchronous, *constrained* deadline,  $\tau_1 > \tau_2 > \dots > \tau_n$

$S_1 := O_1$

$S_i := O_i + \left\lceil \frac{(S_{i-1} - O_i)^+}{T_i} \right\rceil T_i$   $x^+ := \max\{0, x\}$

Schedule is feasible up to  $S_n + P \implies \begin{cases} \text{is feasible} \\ \text{periodic from } S_n \\ \text{period } P \end{cases}$

$\implies [0, S_n + P)$  is a feasibility interval

|          | $O_i$ | $T_i = D_i$ | $C_i$ |
|----------|-------|-------------|-------|
| $\tau_1$ | 10    | 12          | 1     |
| $\tau_2$ | 0     | 12          | 6     |
| $\tau_3$ | 0     | 8           | 3     |

RM, DM:  $\tau_3 > \tau_1 > \tau_2$  failed  
 but  $\tau_3 > \tau_2 > \tau_1$  success

$\implies \begin{matrix} \text{RM} \\ \text{DM} \end{matrix} \Big|$  are not optimal for asynchronous

## 2.1.4 AUDSLEY algorithm

$\tau_i$  is **lowest-priority viable**  $\iff$  all jobs meet their deadline when  
 $\begin{cases} \tau_i \text{ has the lowest priority} \\ \text{other tasks have any higher priority} \\ \text{when scheduling } \tau_j \neq \tau_i \text{ consider deadline softs} \end{cases}$

**Thm 28.**  $\tau_i$  lowest-priority viable:

$\exists$  feasible FTP-assignment for  $\tau \iff \exists$  feasible FTP-assignment for  $\tau \setminus \{\tau_i\}$

## AUDSLEY algorithm

```

procedure Audsley( $\tau$ ) {
  if (there is no lowest-priority viable task) {
    return infeasible
  }
  else {
     $\tau_i :=$  a lowest-priority viable task in  $\tau$ 
    assign lowest priority to  $\tau_i$ 
    Audsley( $\tau \setminus \{\tau_i\}$ )
  }
}

```

Checking if a task is lower-priority viable on  $[0, S_n + P_n)$   
 $O(n^2)$  distinct priority assignments  $\ll O(n!)$

## 2.2 FJP

**Earliest Deadline First EDF:** lower *absolute* deadline, higher priority

Job set  $J$  is **feasible** if  $\exists$  schedule which meets all the job deadlines

**Thm 30.** Job set  $J$  is feasible  $\implies$  EDF feasibly schedule  $J$

EDF is  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{FJP-optimal} \\ \text{FTP-optimal for } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{asynchronous} \\ \text{arbitrary deadline} \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right.$

**Thm 31.** Periodic, implicit deadline:

$U(\tau) \leq 1 \iff \tau$  schedulable

**Corollary 32.** Periodic, implicit deadline:

$U(\tau) \leq 1 \iff \tau$  is EDF-schedulable

**Thm 33.**

$\tau \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{synchronous} \\ \text{periodic} \\ \text{arbitrary deadline} \\ \text{EDF-feasible} \end{array} \right. \implies \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall \text{ corresponding } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{asynchronous} \\ \text{periodic} \end{array} \right\}: \text{EDF-feasible} \\ \forall \text{ corresponding sporadic: EDF-feasible} \end{array} \right.$

|          | $T_i = D_i$ | $C_i$ |
|----------|-------------|-------|
| $\tau_1$ | 4           | 2     |
| $\tau_2$ | 7           | 3     |

response time: 5, 5, 5, 6 (the largest is not the first)

**Thm 34** (LIU, LEYLAND, 1973). periodic, synchronous, constrained deadline:

deadline miss in  $t \implies \nexists$  idle  $< t$

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## 5 Parallel algorithms

$t_s$ : execution time of uniprocessor (sequential) version

$t_p$ : execution time of multiprocessor (parallel) version with  $n$  processors

Speedup factor  $S(n) := \frac{t_s}{t_p}$  (relative performance difference)

**Linear speedup principle:**

maximum speedup factor that can be gained using  $n$  processors is  $n$

**Law 1 (AMDAHL's law).**

Let  $f$  the fraction of sequential computations of a parallel program.

$(1 - f)$  is the fraction of parallelisable computations.

$$S(n) = \frac{t_s}{f t_s + (1-f) \frac{t_s}{n}} = \frac{n}{1 + (n-1)f}$$

Upper bound of speedup factor (even with unlimited number of processors):

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S(n) = \frac{1}{f}$$

(If only 5% of the computations are sequential, the *potential* maximum speedup factor is 20, regardless of the number of processors.)

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**Thm 35** (GOOSENS, 1999). periodic, synchronous, constrained deadline: deadline miss in  $t \implies \nexists$  (except 0) idle point  $< t$

$\implies [0, L)$  is a feasibility interval  $L$  is the first idle point (except 0)

$$L (= \lambda_n) = \text{smallest solution of } L = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\lceil \frac{L}{T_i} \right\rceil C_i$$

Periodic system  $R$ , schedule  $S$ :

**Configuration**  $C_S(R, t) := ((\gamma_1(t), \alpha_1(t), \beta_1(t)), \dots, (\gamma_n(t), \alpha_n(t), \beta_n(t)))$

where  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma_i(t) := \begin{cases} (t - O_i) \% T_i & \text{if } t \geq O_i \\ t - O_i & \text{if } t < O_i \end{cases} \\ \alpha_i(t) := \# \text{ active jobs of } \tau_i \\ \beta_i(t) := \text{cumulative CPU time used by oldest active job of } \tau_i \end{array} \right.$

**Thm 37.**  $R$  periodic, asynchronous, arbitrary deadline,  $S = \text{EDF}$ :

$R$  is feasible  $\iff$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{all deadline } \in [0, O_{\max} + 2P) \text{ met} \\ C_S(R, O_{\max} + P) = C_S(R, O_{\max} + 2P) \end{array} \right.$

|          | $O_i$ | $T_i$ | $D_i$ | $C_i$ | $U$   |                                                                                                         |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $\tau_1$ | 0     | 4     | 4     | 2     | $1/2$ | all deadline $[0, 10)$ met<br>but $\beta_2(6) = 2 \neq \beta_2(10) = 1$ and $\tau_2$ misses at $t = 21$ |
| $\tau_2$ | 2     | 4     | 7     | 3     | $3/4$ |                                                                                                         |
|          |       |       |       |       | $5/4$ |                                                                                                         |

**Corollary 38.** periodic, asynchronous, arbitrary deadline:

$U(\tau) \leq 1 \implies [0, O_{\max} + 2P)$  is a feasibility interval

### 2.3 DP

Job  $J = (a, e, d)$

$\epsilon_J(t) :=$  cumulative CPU time used by  $J$  since  $a$ .

**laxity**  $l_J(t) := d - t - (e - \epsilon_J(t))$

$> 0$ :  $J$  can wait  $l_J(t)$  time-units

$= 0$ :  $J$  must run immediately and until  $d$

$< 0$ :  $J$  will miss



$J$  running  $\implies l_J(t+1) = l_J(t)$

**LLF Least Laxity First**

**Thm 41** (MOK, 1983). LLF is DM-optimal

|          | $T_i$ | $D_i$ | $C_i$ |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|
| $\tau_1$ | 10    | 8     | 4     |
| $\tau_2$ | 10    | 9     | 5     |

EDF: preemptive free  
 LLF: 6 preemptions by 10 time-units

**Trashing:** large amount of resources are used to do a minimal work

$$l_{J_1}(t) = l_{J_2}(t) \mid \text{run } J_1 \implies l_{J_1}(t) = l_{J_2}(t) + 1$$

$\exists$  FJP-optimal  
 LLF cause lot of preemptions  $\mid$  so LLF useless

## 4 Concurrency

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### 3.2.2 EDF<sup>(k)</sup>

Assume  $U(\tau_1) \geq U(\tau_2) \geq \dots \geq U(\tau_n)$

$\tau^{(i)} := \{\tau_i, \tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_n\}$

**EDF<sup>(k)</sup>**:  $\forall i < k$ : set maximal priority to  $\tau_i$  ( $d := -\infty$ )

$\forall i \geq k$ : set EDF priority to  $\tau_i$

EDF = EDF<sup>(1)</sup>

**Thm 20** (GOOSSENS, FUNK, & BARUAH, 2003). Sporadic, implicit deadline:

$$m = (k-1) + \left\lceil \frac{U(\tau^{(k+1)})}{1-U(\tau_k)} \right\rceil \implies \text{EDF}^{(k)} \text{ schedulable}$$

**Corollary 21**. Sporadic, implicit deadline

is schedulable with  $m_{min}(\tau) = \min_{k=1}^n \left\{ (k-1) + \left\lceil \frac{U(\tau^{(k+1)})}{1-U(\tau_k)} \right\rceil \right\}$  processors.

$k_{min} := k$  that minimize

## 3 Multiprocessor real-time scheduling

Consider only limited parallel architecture. At each instant:

- one processor executes one task at most
- one task is execute on one processor at most (no task or job parallelism)
- strongly coupled systems (common time reference and shared memory)
- identical parallel machines:  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \dots, \pi_m$

- **Identical parallel machines**: all processors are identical (same computing power)
  - **Uniform parallel machines**: computing capacity  $s_i$  for each processor  $\pi_i$
  - **Unrelated parallel machines**: execution rate  $s_{i,j}$  for each job-processor  $(J_i, \pi_j)$
- Identical  $\subset$  Uniform  $\subset$  Unrelated

- **Partitioned scheduling**: divide system in subsystems associate to 1 processor
- **Global scheduling**: jobs can to migrate during their lifetime

**Lemma 1** (BARUAH, 2007). Exists systems schedulable with global FJP algorithms but not partitioned.

|          | $T_i$ | $D_i$ | $C_i$ |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|
| $\tau_1$ | 3     | 2     | 2     |
| $\tau_2$ | 4     | 3     | 3     |
| $\tau_3$ | 12    | 12    | 5     |

With 2 processors:  
all partitioned FJP failed  
global FJP with  $> \tau_3$  success

**Lemma 2** (BARUAH, 2007). Exists systems schedulable with partitioned FJP algorithms but not global.

|          | $T_i$ | $D_i$ | $C_i$ |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|
| $\tau_1$ | 3     | 2     | 2     |
| $\tau_2$ | 4     | 3     | 3     |
| $\tau_3$ | 12    | 12    | 4     |
| $\tau_4$ | 12    | 12    | 3     |

With 2 processors:  
all global FJP failed  
partitioned  $\{\tau_1, \tau_3\}, \{\tau_2, \tau_4\}$  FJP success

|          | $T_i$ | $D_i$ | $C_i$ |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|
| $\tau_1$ | 4     | 2     | 1     |
| $\tau_2$ | 5     | 3     | 3     |
| $\tau_3$ | 2     | 3     | 7     |

**Density**  $\lambda_i := \frac{C_i}{\min(T_i, D_i)}$

**Total density**  $\lambda_{sum} := \sum_{\tau_i \in \tau} \lambda(\tau_i)$

**Maximal density**  $\lambda_{max} := \max_{\tau_i \in \tau} \lambda(\tau_i)$

sporadic tasks,  $m$  identical processors:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \lambda_{sum}(\tau) \leq m \\ \lambda_{max}(\tau) \leq 1 \end{array} \right\} \iff \tau \text{ schedulable}$$

### 3.1 Partitioned scheduling

For *implicit* deadline

**Bin-Packing problem:**  $k$  objects of different sizes in a minimum of bins.

NP-complete, so heuristics.

Greedy algorithm, with optional pre-processing (sort by **DU** decreasing utilization or **IU** increasing utilization):

- **FF** First-fit
- Best-fit
- Worst-fit
- Next-fit

RM:  $U(\tau) \leq n_\pi (\sqrt[n_\pi]{2} - 1)$   $n_\pi := \# \text{ tasks on processor } \pi$

**Thm 5.** Sporadic, implicit deadline:

$U(\tau) \leq \frac{m+1}{2} \mid U_{max} \leq 1 \implies \tau$  schedulable with FFDU (with EDF local scheduler)

### 3.2 Global scheduling

**Online scheduler:** take scheduling decisions at *runtime* with jobs already released and *without* knowledge of future

**Thm 7** (HONG & LEUNG, 1988).

$m > 1 \implies \nexists$  online and optimal scheduling

|          | $T_i = D_i$ | $C_i$ |
|----------|-------------|-------|
| $\tau_1$ | 2           | 4     |
| $\tau_2$ | 2           | 4     |
| $\tau_3$ | 4           | 8     |

**Intuitively positive change:** decrease  $U$  (increase  $T_i$ , decrease  $D_i \dots$ )

**Anomaly** if schedulable system become unschedulable with intuitively positive change

Sporadic: no sufficient to check synchronous periodic sub-case (critical instant is an open question)

A schedulability test is **sustainable** if schedulable system remains schedulable with these possible changes:

- decreased  $C_i$  (**Sustainable with respect to the execution requirements**)
- later arrival times

- larger  $D_i$

**Thm 12** (CUCU-GROSJEAN & GOOSSENS, 2010). Unrelated platforms: FJP schedulers are sustainable with respect to the execution requirements

**Thm 13.** Periodic, implicit deadline:

$U(\tau) \leq m \mid U_{max}(\tau) \leq 1 \iff \tau$  feasible

#### 3.2.1 PFAIR scheduling

**Time slice** or **quantum:** period of time during a process is allowed to run

**Schedule S:**  $\tau \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$   
 $(\tau_i, t) \mapsto \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \tau_i \text{ scheduled in slice } [t, t+1) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

For ideal **fair** schedule each  $\tau_i$  received  $U(\tau_i).t$  slices during  $[0, t)$  (implies all deadline are met)

$lag(\tau_i, t) := U(\tau_i).t - \sum_{l=0}^{t-1} S(\tau_i, l)$

Schedule has **PFAIR** property  $\iff -1 < lag(\tau_i, t) < 1, \forall \tau_i \in \tau, \forall t \in \mathbb{N}$   
 $\iff \forall \tau_i \in \tau : \tau_i$  receive  $\lfloor U(\tau_i).t \rfloor$  or  $\lceil U(\tau_i).t \rceil$  in  $[0, t)$

**Thm 15.** PFAIRness  $\implies$  all deadline are met

**Thm 16** (BARUAH, COHEN, PLAXTON & VARVEL, 1996).

Periodic, synchronous, implicit deadline:

$U(\tau) \leq m \mid U_{max}(\tau) \leq 1 \iff \exists$  PFAIR schedule  
 $\implies$  PFAIR is optimal

**Thm 17.** Sporadic, arbitrary deadline:

$\lambda_{sum}(\tau) \leq m \mid \lambda_{max}(\tau) \leq 1 \implies$  feasible

**Thm 18** (SRINIVASAN & BARUAH, 2002). Sporadic, implicit deadline:

$U(\tau) \leq m - (m-1)U_{max}(\tau) \implies$  schedulable with global EDF