

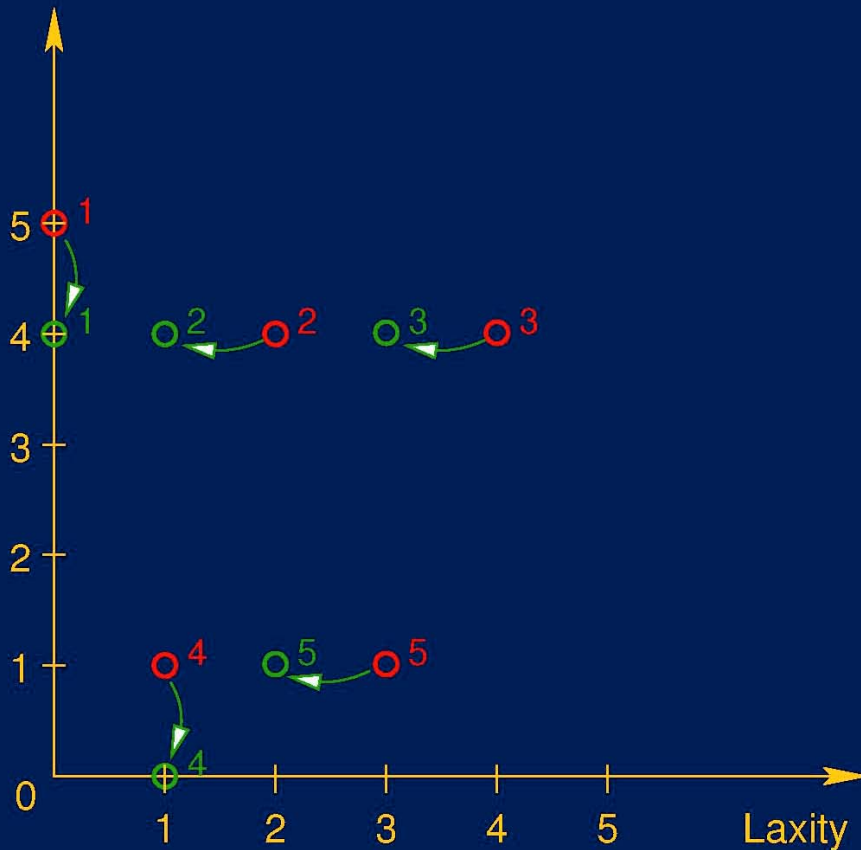
Embedded Systems

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REVIEW: LLF (Least Laxity First)

Remaining computation time

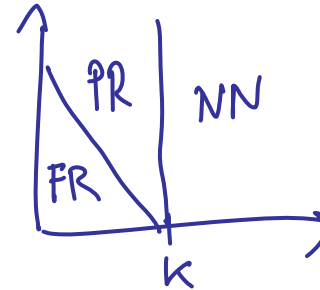


When tasks are released, they are inserted into the game board according to their WCET and laxity (= deadline – remain. comp. time).

In every time scheduling step / turn of the game:
– at most n nodes go down by 1
– the rest moves 1 to the left

LLF is optimal.

REVIEW: Schedulability



Within a set M of aperiodic tasks, we identify three classes with respect to the next k time units starting at time t :

1. Tasks that have to be **fully run** within the next k time units:

$$FR(t, k) = \{i \in M \mid D_i(t) \leq k\}$$

2. Tasks that have to be **partially run** within the next k time units:

$$PR(t, k) = \{i \in M \mid L_i(t) \leq k \wedge D_i(t) > k\}$$

3. Tasks that **need not be run** within the next k time units:

$$NN(t, k) = \{i \in M \mid L_i(t) > k\}$$

Surplus computing power

$$SCP(t, k) = \underbrace{kn}_{\text{avail. computing power}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in FR(t, k)} C_i(t)}_{\text{needed for full runs}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in PR(t, k)} (k - L_i(t))}_{\text{needed for partial runs}}$$

Theorem: If all tasks are released at time 0, then $SCP(0, k) \geq 0$ for all $k > 0$ is a **necessary and sufficient** condition for schedulability.

We show that no deadlines are missed using LLF.

Proof by induction on t :

1) $SCP(t, k) \geq 0 \quad \forall k$
 \Rightarrow # of tokens on the C -axis is $\leq k$

2) $SCP(t, k) \geq 0 \quad \forall k$
 $\Rightarrow SCP(t+1, k) \geq 0 \quad \forall k$.
 # tokens on C axis

Ad 1) $SCP(t, 1) \geq 0$
 $n \geq \sum_{i \in FR(t, 1)} C_i(t) + \sum_{i \in PR(t, 1)} (1 - L_i(t))$

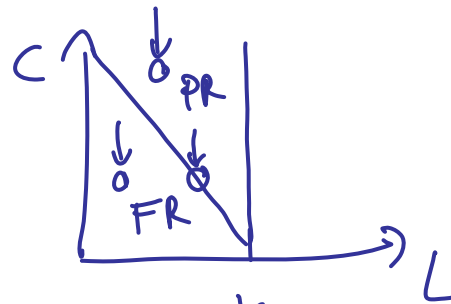
$$SCP(t, k) = \underbrace{kn}_{\text{avail. computing power}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in FR(t, k)} C_i(t)}_{\text{needed for full runs}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in PR(t, k)} (k - L_i(t))}_{\text{needed for partial runs}}$$

Ad 2)

Claim: $\forall k \geq 0 \exists k' \text{ s.t.}$

$$SCP(t+1, k) \geq SCP(t, k')$$

Case 1. All tokens left of $L=k$ have arrived
by vertical move



Pick $k' = k$: $\Delta SCP = SCP(t+1, k) - SCP(t, k)$

- Token in FR: contributes 1 to ΔSCP
- Token in PR: contributes 0 to ΔSCP
- Token that moves from PR to FR, hitting $L+C=k$

$$SCP(t, k) = \underbrace{kn}_{\text{avail. computing power}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in FR(t, k)} C_i(t)}_{\text{needed for full runs}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in PR(t, k)} (k - L_i(t))}_{\text{needed for partial runs}}$$

Contribution to ΔSCR : $-C_i(t+1) + (k - L_i(t))$

$$\Rightarrow -(k - L_i(t+1)) + (k - L_i(t)) = 0$$

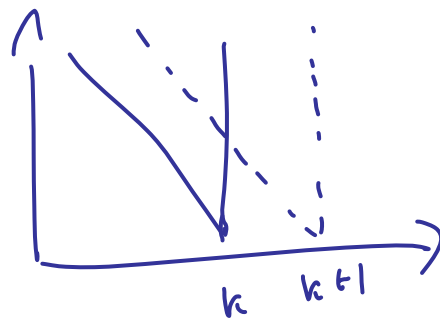
$$= L_i(t)$$

• Token that moved from NN to line $L=k$:

Contribution to ΔSCR : $-(k - L_i(t+1)) = 0$

Case 2 : Some of the tokens left of $L=k$ have arrived by horizontal move

pick $k' := k+1$



$$\Delta SCP = SCP(t+1, k) - SCP(t, k+1)$$

$$SCP(t, k) = \underbrace{kn}_{\text{avail. computing power}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in FR(t, k)} C_i(t)}_{\text{needed for full runs}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in PR(t, k)} (k - L_i(t))}_{\text{needed for partial runs}}$$

By LWF, a token must have moved downward left of $L = k + 1$.

Consider a token that moved downward

in PR: contribution to $\Delta SCP =$
 $- (k - L_i(t+1)) + (k+1 - L_i(t))$

$= 1$
 in FR: contribution to $\Delta SCP =$
 $- C_i(t+1) + C_i(t) = 1$

$$SCP(t, k) = \underbrace{kn}_{\text{avail. computing power}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in FR(t, k)} C_i(t)}_{\text{needed for full runs}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in PR(t, k)} (k - L_i(t))}_{\text{needed for partial runs}}$$

Consider a token that moves horizontally:

LLF chooses token in FR first
 \Rightarrow token in PR:

Contribution to ΔSCP : $-(k - L_i(t+1)) + (k+1 - L_i(t))$

$$L_i(t+1) = L_i(t) + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta SCP &= k \cdot n - (k+1) \cdot n + n \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Periodic tasks

Theorem: A necessary and sufficient condition for the schedulability of periodic tasks is that $U \leq n$.

Scheduling idea

1. Divide the time line into time slices such that each period of each process is divided into an integral number of time slices.

Slice length $T = \text{GCD}(T_1, \dots, T_n)$.

2. Within each time slice, allocate processor time in proportion to the utilization $U_i = \frac{C_i}{T_i}$ originating from the various tasks.

Processing time per slice $r_i = T U_i = T \frac{C_i}{T_i}$.

Hence, each task runs $\frac{T_i}{T} r_i = \frac{T_i}{T} T \frac{C_i}{T_i} = C_i$ time units within its period.

3. Allocate r_i according to the following algorithm
 - (a) Look for the first processor proc_j that has free capacity in its time slices.
 - (b) Allocate that portion of r_i to proc_j that proc_j can accommodate.
 - (c) If all of r_i has been allocated then proceed with the next task (goto step a).
 - (d) Otherwise allocate the remainder of r_i to proc_{j+1} .
 proc_{j+1} has enough spare capacity as it has not previously been used and $r_i \leq T$ due to $U_i \leq 1$. Furthermore, due to $r_i \leq T$, we don't generate temporal overlap between the two partial runs of task i .

Example (2 processors)

	τ_1	τ_2	τ_3
T_i	4	8	6
C_i	2	8	3

$$U = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{8}{8} + \frac{3}{6} = 2$$

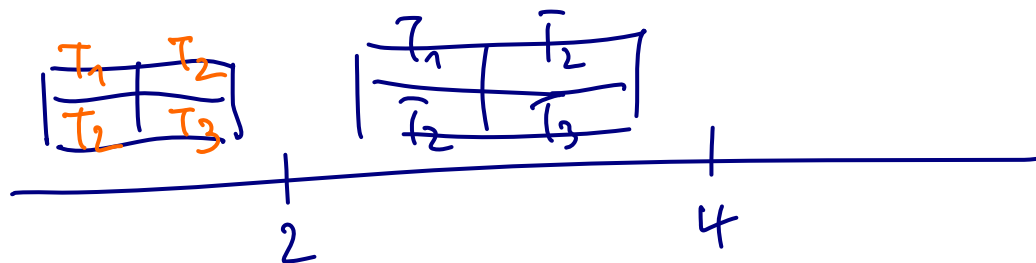
$$T = \text{gcd}(4, 8, 6) = 2$$

In each slice,

$$T_1 \text{ has } 2 \cdot \frac{2}{4} = 1 \text{ unit}$$

$$T_2 \text{ has } 2 \cdot \frac{8}{8} = 2 \text{ units}$$

$$T_3 \text{ has } 2 \cdot \frac{3}{6} = 1 \text{ unit}$$



Scheduling idea

This scheme works if

- the load isn't too high:

$$u = \sum_{i \in M} \frac{C_i}{T_i} \leq n$$

and

- the time slices allocated have integral length:

$$r_i = Tu_i = T \frac{C_i}{T_i} \in \mathbb{N} \text{ for each } i \in M$$

Rescheduling fractional parts

- Let $X_i = T \cdot C_i / T_i - \lfloor T \cdot C_i / T_i \rfloor$
- In each period,
allocate in $X_i \cdot T_i / T$ slices: $\lfloor T \cdot C_i / T_i \rfloor + 1$ units
and in all other slices: $\lfloor T \cdot C_i / T_i \rfloor$ units
- This can be done without allowing any task to miss its deadline: use EDF!

Example (2 processors)

	τ_1	τ_2	τ_3
T_i	4	6	4
C_i	2	4	3

$$U = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{4}{6} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{23}{12} < 2$$

$$T = \text{gcd}(4, 6, 4) = 2$$

In each slice

$$T_1 \text{ has } \lfloor 2 \cdot \frac{2}{4} \rfloor = 1 \text{ time unit}$$

$$T_2 \text{ has } \lfloor 2 \cdot \frac{4}{6} \rfloor = \lfloor \frac{8}{3} \rfloor = 1 \text{ time unit}$$

$$T_3 \text{ has } \lfloor 2 \cdot \frac{3}{4} \rfloor = \lfloor \frac{6}{4} \rfloor = 1 \text{ time unit}$$

T_2, T_3 have fractional parts

$\Rightarrow T_2$ needs 1 extra unit every 3 slices

T_3 needs 1 extra unit every 2 slices

