

Rate Monotonic Analysis

Introduction

Periodic tasks

Extending basic theory

Synchronization and priority inversion

Aperiodic servers

Case study: BSY-1 Trainer



Extensions to Basic Theory

This section extends the schedulability tests to address

- nonzero task switching times
- preperiod deadlines
- interrupts and non-rate-monotonic priorities



Modeling Task Switching as Execution Time



Two scheduling actions per task (start of period and end of period)



Modeling Preperiod Deadlines

Suppose task τ , with compute time *C* and period *T*, has a preperiod deadline *D* (i.e. *D* < *T*).

Compare total utilization to modified bound:

$$U_{total} = \frac{C_1}{T_1} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{T_n} \leq U(n, \Delta_i)$$

where Δ_i is the ratio of D_i to T_i .

$$U(n, \Delta_i) = \begin{pmatrix} n \left(\left(2\Delta_i \right)^{1/n} - 1 \right) + 1 - \Delta_i, & \frac{1}{2} < \Delta_i \le 1.0 \\ \Delta_i, & \Delta_i \le \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$



Schedulability with Interrupts

Interrupt processing can be inconsistent with rate monotonic priority assignment.

- interrupt handler executes with high priority despite its period
- interrupt processing may delay execution of tasks with shorter periods

Effects of interrupt processing must be taken into account in schedulability model.

Question is: how to do that?



Example: Determining Schedulability with Interrupts

	С	Τ	U
Task τ_1 :	20	100	0.200
Task τ ₂ :	40	150	0.267
Task τ_3 :	60	200	0.300
Task τ_4 :	40	350	0.115

 $\tau_{\scriptscriptstyle 3}$ is an interrupt handler



Example: Execution with Rate Monotonic Priorities





Example: Execution with an Interrupt Priority





Resulting Table for Example

Task (i)	Period (T)	Execution Time (C)	Priority (P)	Deadline (D)
τ ₃	200	60	HW	200
τ ₁	100	20	High	100
τ2	150	40	Medium	150
τ_4	350	40	Low	350



UB Test with Interrupt Priority

Test is applied to each task.

Determine effective utilization (f_i) of each task *i* using



Compare effective utilization against bound, U(n).

- n = num(*Hn*) + 1
- num(*Hn*) = the number of tasks in the set *Hn*



UB Test with Interrupt Priority: τ_3

For τ_3 , no tasks have a higher priority: $H = Hn = H1 = \{\}$.

$$f_3 = 0 + \frac{C_3}{T_3} + 0 \le U(1)$$

Note that utilization bound is U(1): num(*Hn*) = 0.

Plugging in numbers:

$$f_3 = \frac{C_3}{T_3} = \frac{60}{200} = 0.3 < 1.0$$



UB Test with Interrupt Priority: τ_1 To τ_1 , τ_3 has higher priority: $H = \{\tau_3\}$; $Hn = \{\}$; $H1 = \{\tau_3\}$.

$$f_1 = 0 + \frac{C_1}{T_1} + \frac{1}{T_1} \sum_{k=3} C_k \le U(1)$$

Note that utilization bound is U(1): num(*Hn*) = 0.

Plugging in the numbers:

$$f_1 = \frac{C_1}{T_1} + \frac{C_3}{T_1} = \frac{20}{100} + \frac{60}{100} = 0.800 < 1.0$$



UB Test with Interrupt Priority: τ_2 To τ_2 : $H = \{\tau_1, \tau_3\}$; $Hn = \{\tau_1\}$; $H1 = \{\tau_3\}$. $f_2 = \sum_{j=1}^{L} \frac{C_j}{T_j} + \frac{C_2}{T_2} + \frac{1}{T_2} \sum_{k=3}^{L} C_k \le U(2)$

Note that utilization bound is U(2): num(*Hn*) = 1.

Plugging in the numbers:

$$f_2 = \frac{C_1}{T_1} + \frac{C_2}{T_2} + \frac{C_3}{T_2} = \frac{20}{100} + \frac{40}{150} + \frac{60}{150} = 0.867 > 0.828$$



UB Test with Interrupt Priority: τ_4 To τ_2 : $H = \{\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3\}$; $Hn = \{\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3\}$; $H1 = \{\}$. $f_4 = \sum_{j=1,2,3} \frac{C_j}{T_j} + \frac{C_4}{T_4} + 0 \le U(4)$

Note that utilization bound is U(4): num(*Hn*) = 3.

Plugging in the numbers:

$$f_4 = \frac{C_1}{T_1} + \frac{C_2}{T_2} + \frac{C_3}{T_3} + \frac{C_4}{T_4}$$
$$= \frac{20}{100} + \frac{40}{150} + \frac{60}{200} + \frac{40}{350} = 0.882 > 0.756$$



Exercise: Schedulability with Interrupts

Given the following tasks:

Tas (i)	k Period (T)	Execution Time (C)	Priority (P)	Deadline (D)
τ_{int}	6	2	HW	6
τ ₁	4	1	High	3
τ ₂	10	1	Low	10

Use the UB test to determine which tasks are schedulable.



Solution: Schedulability with Interrupts

$$\frac{C_{int}}{T_{int}} \le U(1) \qquad 0.334 < 1.0$$

$$\frac{\{H1\}}{C_1} + \frac{C_{int}}{T_1} \le U(1, .75) \qquad 0.250 + 0.500 = 0.750 = U(1, .75)$$

$$\frac{\{Hn\}}{C_1} = C_1$$

$$\frac{C_{int}}{T_{int}} + \frac{C_1}{T_1} + \frac{C_2}{T_2} \le U(3)$$

0.334 + 0.250 + 0.100 = 0.684 < 0.779



Basic Theory: Where Are We?

We have shown how to handle

- task context switching time: include 2S within C
- preperiod deadlines: change bound to U(n, Δ_i)
- non-rate-montonic priority assignments

We still must address

- task interactions
- aperiodic tasks

We still assume

- single processor
- priority-based scheduling
- tasks do not suspend themselves



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Other Important Issues

Mode change

Multiprocessor systems

Priority granularity

Overload

Spare capacity assessment

Distributed systems

Post-period deadlines