

# Compositional Performance Analysis

CPEN 432 Real-Time System Design

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# So far ...

- Arrival model

- Aperiodic
- Periodic (with and without offsets)
- Sporadic

- Response time analyses

- Uniprocessor:  $R_k = C_k + \sum_{\tau_i \in hp(k)} \left( \left\lceil \frac{R_k}{T_i} \right\rceil \cdot C_i \right)$

- Symmetric multiprocessors:  $R_k = C_k + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\tau_i \in hp(k)} \left( \left\lceil \frac{R_k}{T_i} \right\rceil \cdot C_i + C_i \right)$

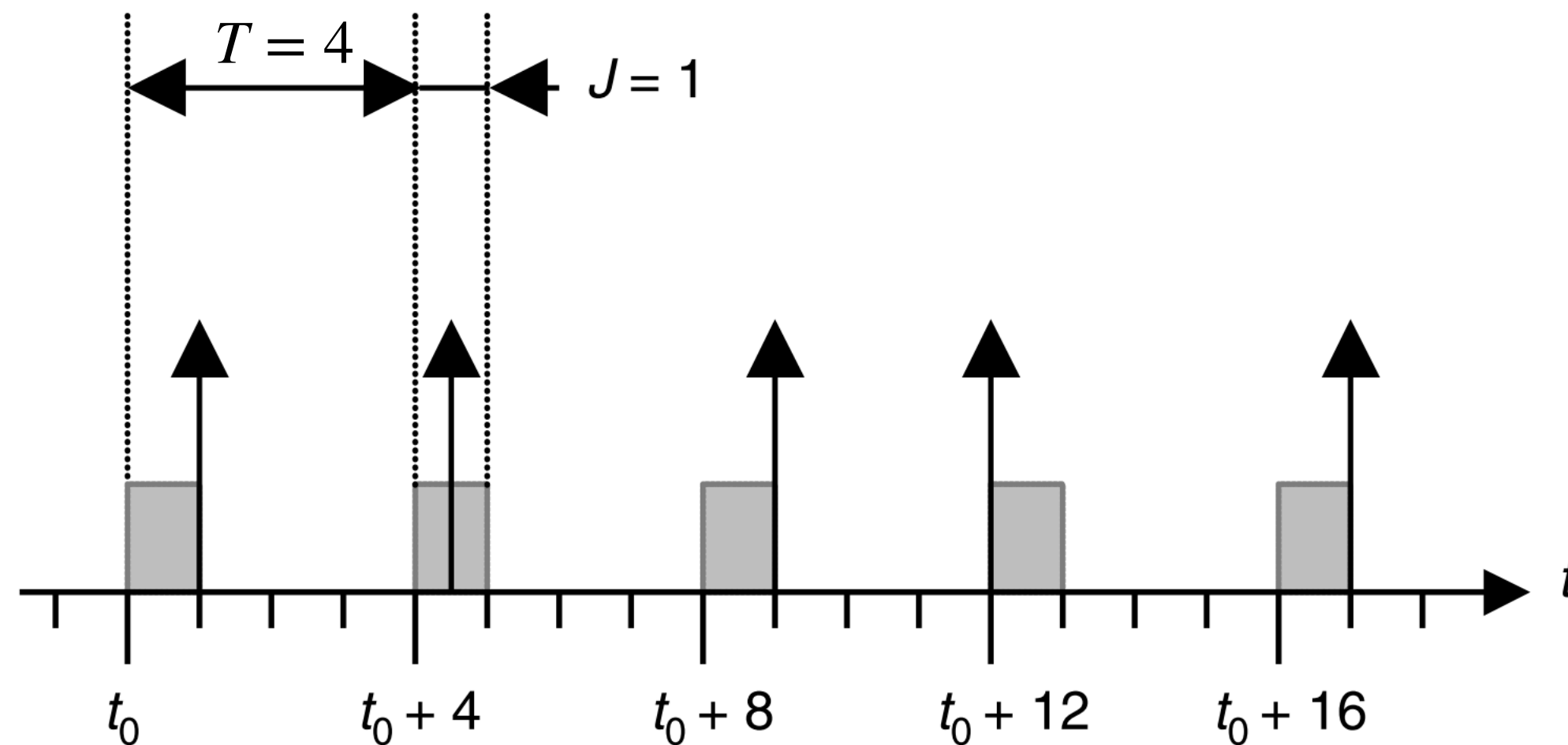
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- In a distributed systems, complex embedded applications, MPSoCs, etc.

- Periodic task model too rigid, as it does not account for variations

# “Periodic with Jitter” Event Model

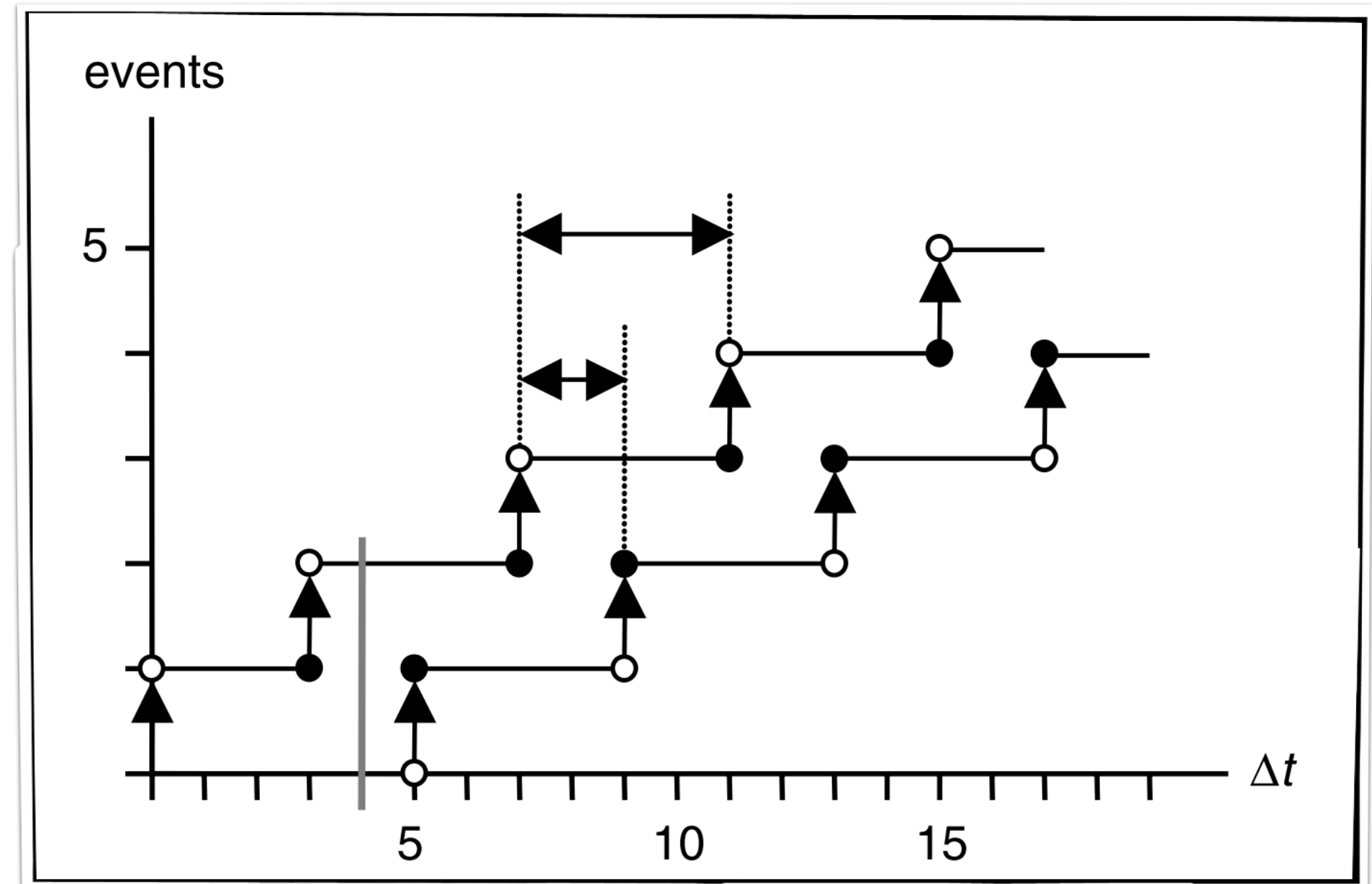
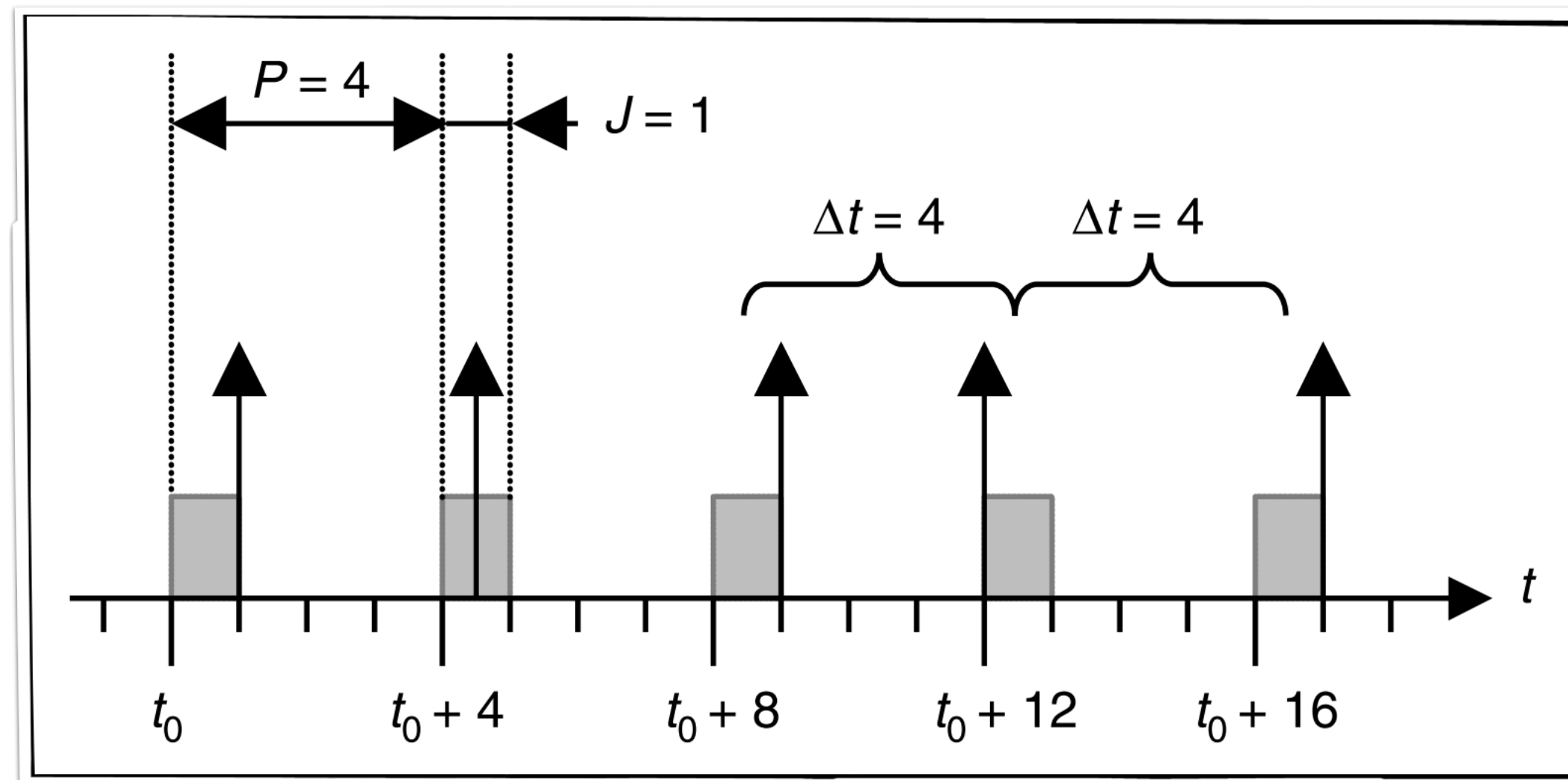
- Two parameters: period  $T$  and jitter  $J$ 
  - Each event **generally occurs periodically** with period  $T$
  - But it **can vary a bit** around its exact position within a jitter interval  $J$
- Example event stream satisfying  $(T, J) = (4, 1)$



# Event Functions

*Definition 1 (Upper event function):* The upper event function  $\eta^u(\Delta t)$  specifies the maximum number of events that can occur during any time interval of length  $\Delta t$ .

*Definition 2 (Lower event function):* The lower event function  $\eta^l(\Delta t)$  specifies the minimum number of events that have to occur during any time interval of length  $\Delta t$ .



$$\eta_{T+J}^u(\Delta t) = \left\lceil \frac{\Delta t + J}{T} \right\rceil$$

$$\eta_{T+J}^l(\Delta t) = \max \left( 0, \left\lfloor \frac{\Delta t - J}{T} \right\rfloor \right)$$

# Distance Functions

*Definition 3 (Minimum distance function):* The minimum distance function  $\delta^{\min}(N \geq 2)$  specifies the minimum distance between  $N \geq 2$  consecutive events in an event stream.

*Definition 4 (Maximum distance function):* The maximum distance function  $\delta^{\max}(N \geq 2)$  specifies the maximum distance between  $N \geq 2$  consecutive events in an event stream.

$$\delta^{\min}(N \geq 2) = \max\{0, (N - 1) * T - J\}$$

$$\delta^{\max}(N \geq 2) = (N - 1) * T + J$$

# Questions

- What happens if  $J > P$  in a “periodic with jitter” event model?
  - Two or more events can occur at the same time, leading to **bursts**
  - New parameter  $d_{min}$  that captures the minimum distance between events in a burst
- For sporadic events with a minimum inter-arrival time  $T$ 
  - Is the jitter parameter  $J$  meaningful?
  - How is the lower event function  $n^l(\Delta t)$  defined?
  - How is the maximum distance function  $\delta^{max}(N \geq 2)$  defined?

# Response-Time Analysis (Local)

- Compute the maximum  $q$ -event busy window  $B_i^+(q)$ 
  - An upper bound on the time a resource requires to service  $q$  activations of task  $\tau_i$
  - Assumption: all  $q$  activations arrive “sufficiently early”
    - i.e.,  $q^{th}$  event arrives prior to the completion of its preceding event (the  $(q - 1)$ -event busy window)
- For fixed-priority preemptive scheduling,
  - Starting with  $B_k^u(q) = q \cdot C_k$ , solve for  $B_k^u(q) = q \cdot C_k + \sum_{i \in hp(k)} \eta_i^u(B_k^u(q)) \cdot C_i$
  - Stopping condition
    - Consider only the first  $q_k^u$  activations, where  $q_k^u = \min\{q \in \mathbb{N}^+ \mid \delta_k^{min}(q + 1) \leq B_k^u(q)\}$
  - $R_k^u = \max_{q \in \mathbb{N}^+ \mid q \leq q_k^u} (B_k^u(q) - \delta_i^{min}(q))$

# Output Event Function of a Task

- $R_k^u$  from response-time analysis,  $R_k^l = C_k$ 
  - Thus, the scheduling policy adds an additional jitter of  $R_k^u - R_k^l$
  - That is, the output jitter is  $J_{k,out} = J_k + (R_k^u - R_k^l)$ 
    - Often,  $J_k$  is denoted as  $J_{k,in}$  or  $J_{k,act}$
- The output event model period obviously equals the activation period
  - That is,  $P_{k,out} = P_{k,in}$



# Open-Source Tool

<https://github.com/IDA-TUBS/pycpa> | <https://pycpa.readthedocs.io/>

## Welcome

pyCPA is a pragmatic Python implementation of Compositional Performance Analysis (aka the SymTA/S approach provided by [Symtavisision](#) (now: [Luxoft](#))) used for research in worst-case timing analysis. Unlike the commercial SymTA/S tool, pyCPA is not intended for commercial-grade use and does not guarantee correctness of the implementation.

