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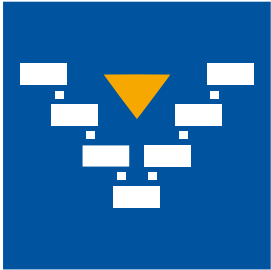
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Introduction to Embedded Systems

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Part 4

Real-Time Systems

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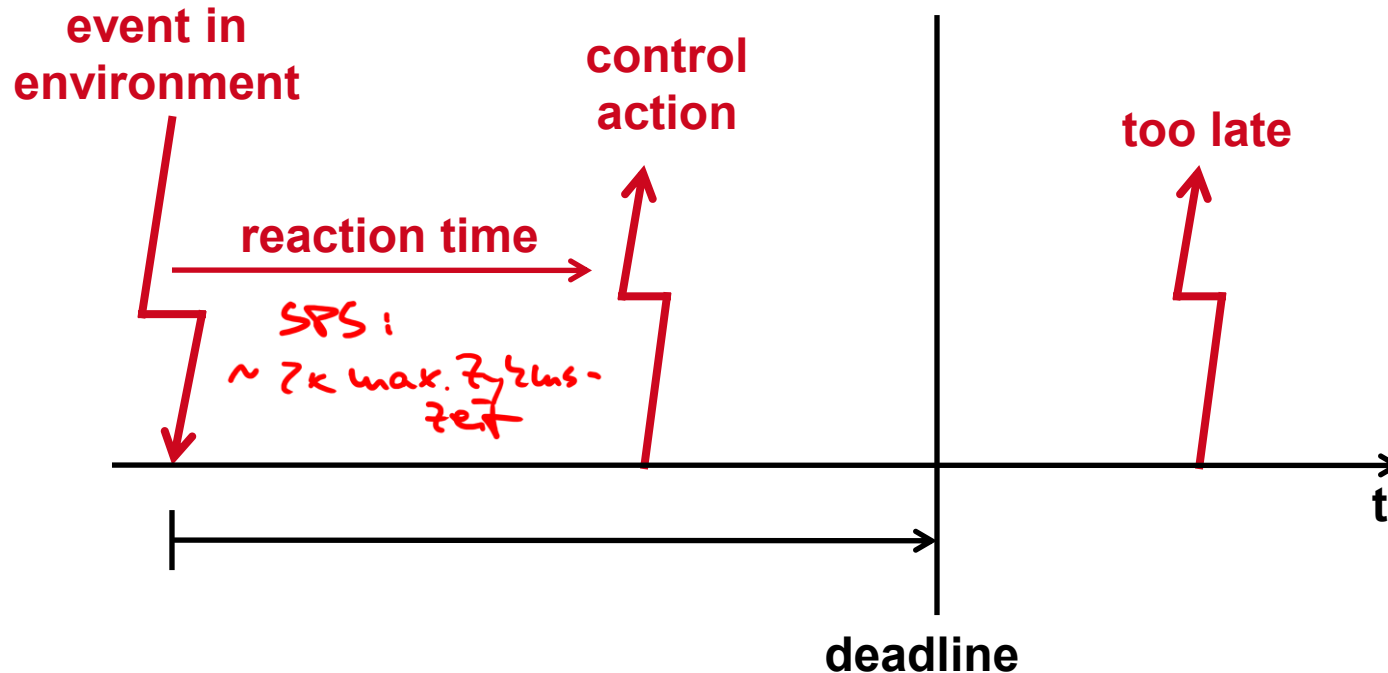
Real time ~~≠~~ fast?

- ▶ Computation is correct
- ▶ Computation is finished in time

Real-Time Requirements

For embedded systems:

Physical environment does not wait for control actions!

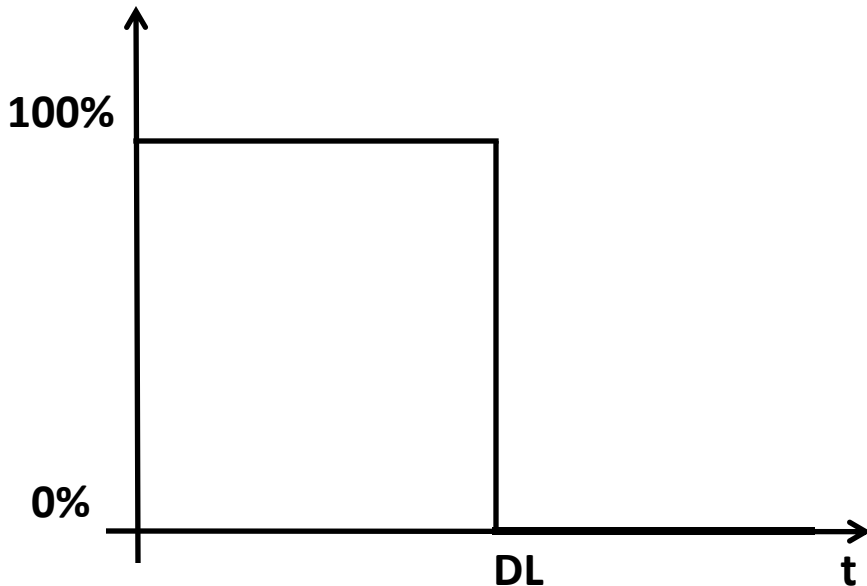


Real-Time Requirements

Hard vs. soft real-time requirements

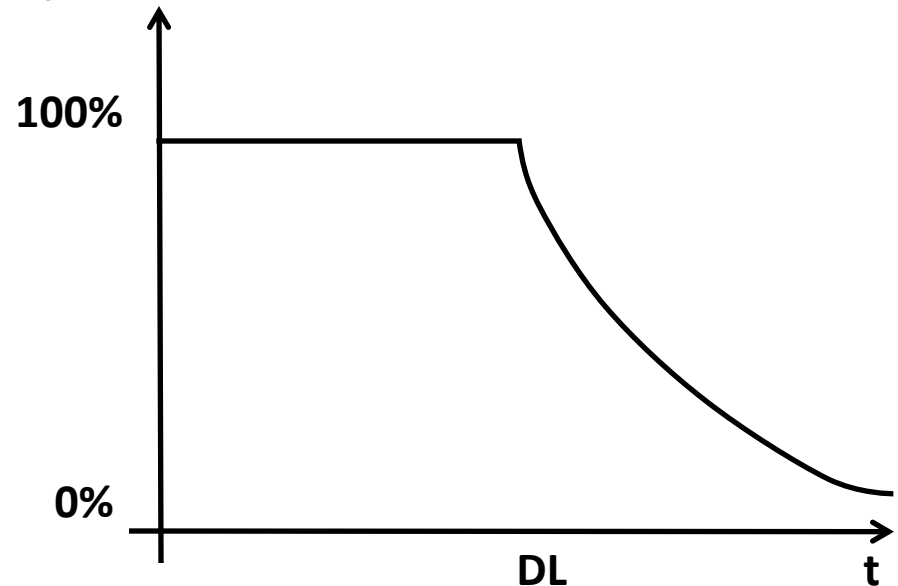
Hard:

Nützlichkeit



Soft:

a)



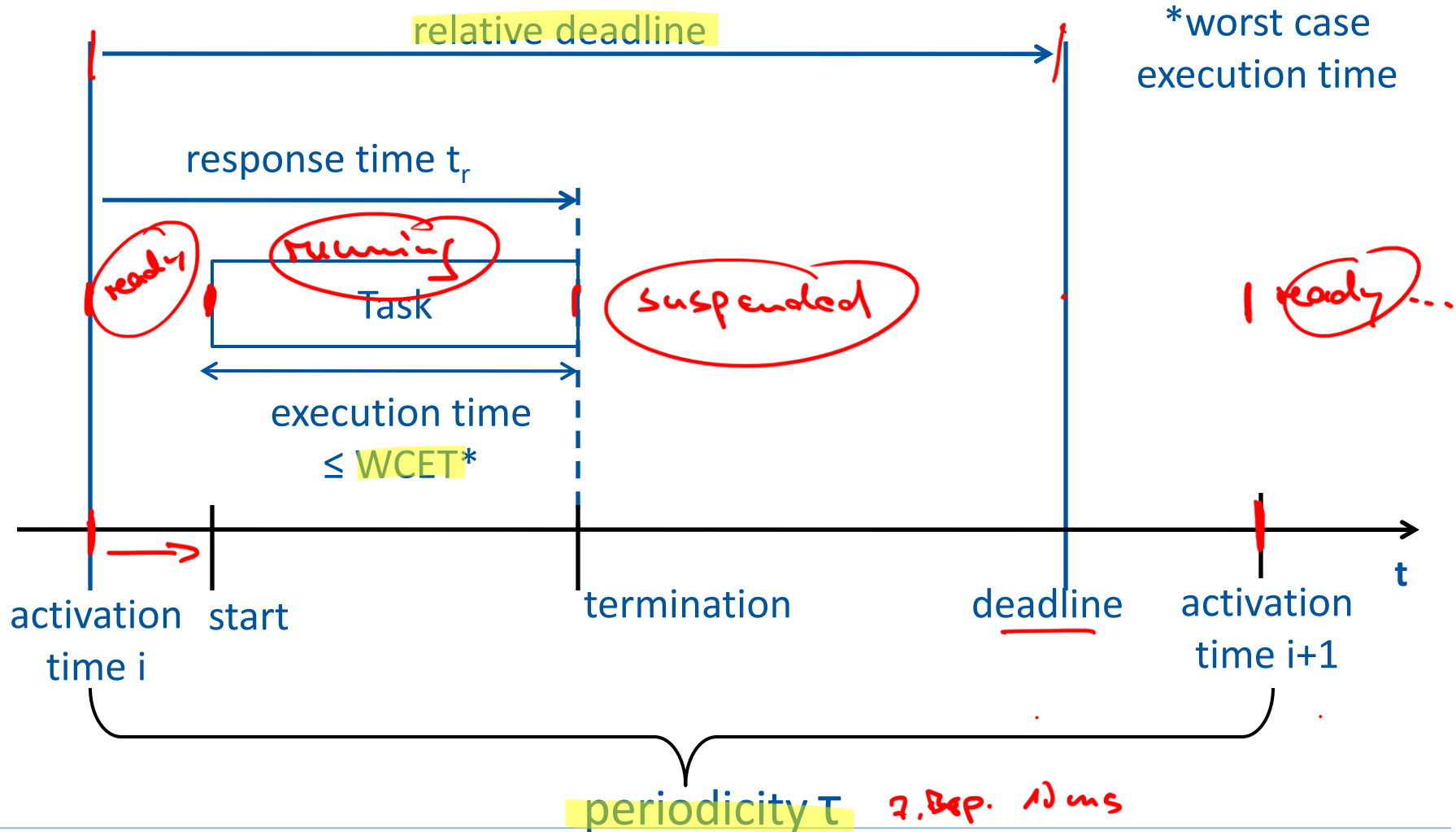
b) statistically a sufficient number of reactions in time.

How to Fulfill Real-Time Requirements?

- ▶ Polling
- ▶ Main loop and interrupts
- ▶ Real-time operating system

1 Prozessor
n tasks

Real-Time Requirement Parameters for Multitasking OS



OSEK: History

1993: Start of project

„Offene Systeme und deren Schnittstellen für Elektronik im Kraftfahrzeug“

(Coordinator: Prof. Kiencke, University of Karlsruhe)

1994: PSA and Renault joined with French initiative

„Vehicle Distributed Executive“ (VDX) → OSEK/VDX

Today: ISO standard

AUTOSAR OS

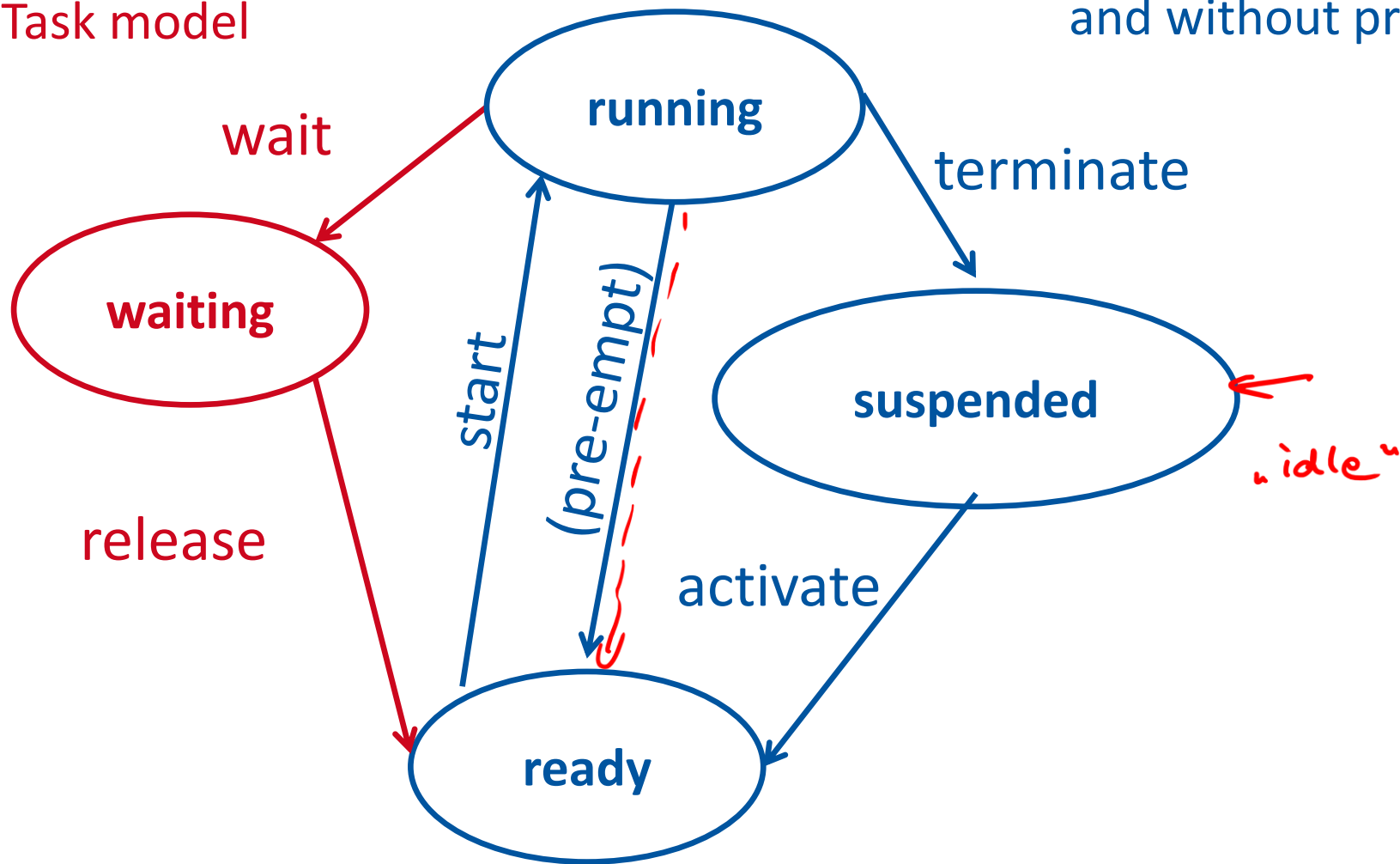
VECTOR, ETAS

OSEK: Task Model

(für die Zustände, in denen sich
Tasks befinden)

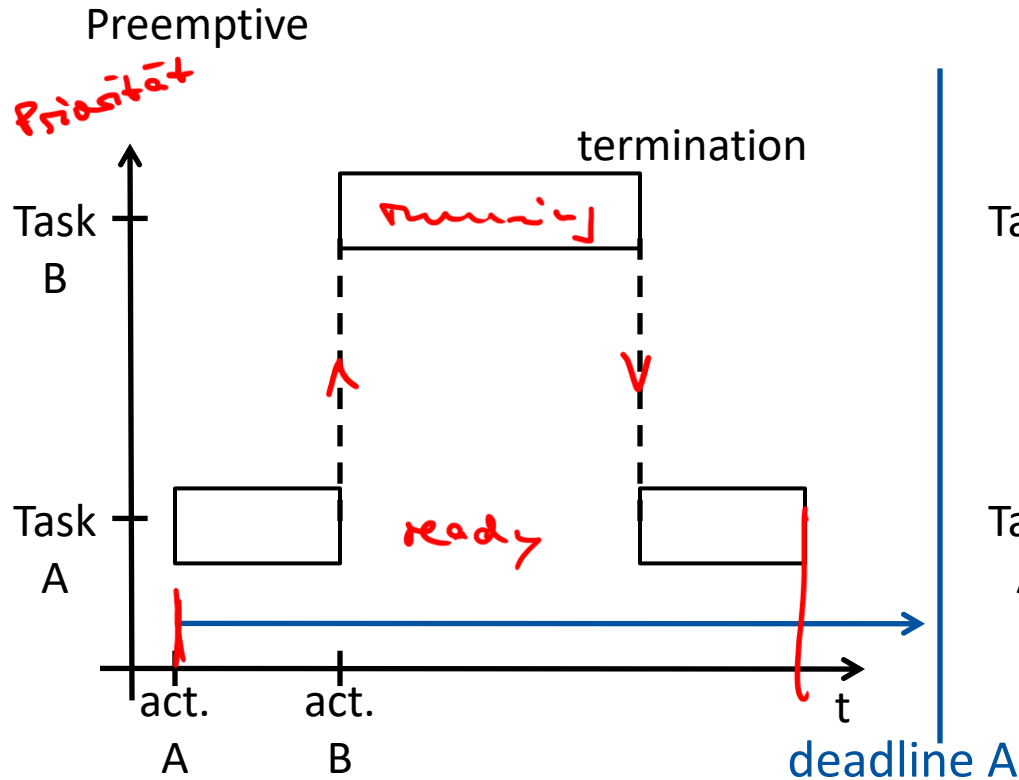
Extended
Task model

Basic Task model with
and without preemption



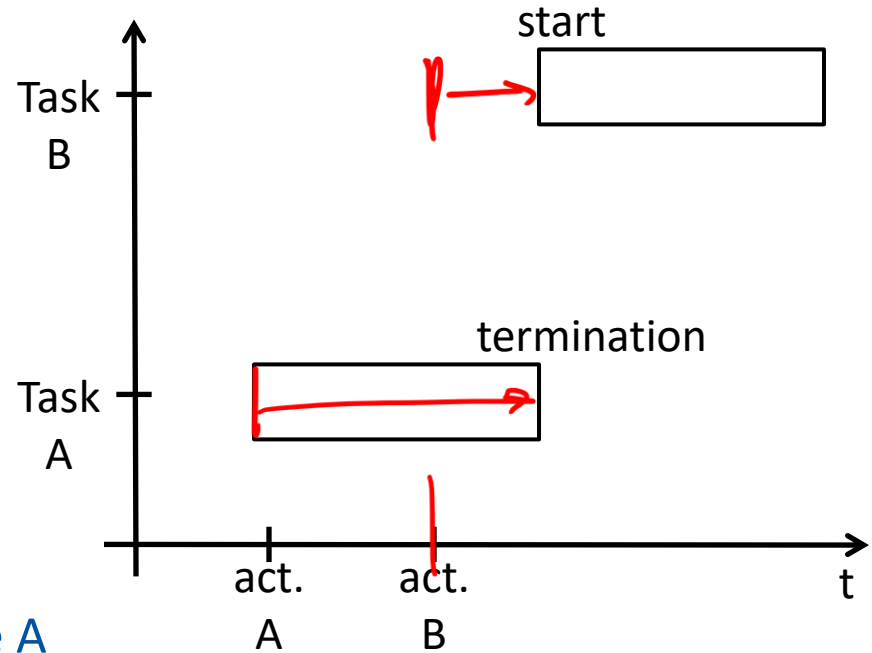
OSEK: Cooperative Scheduling – Pre-emption

Prä-emptiv

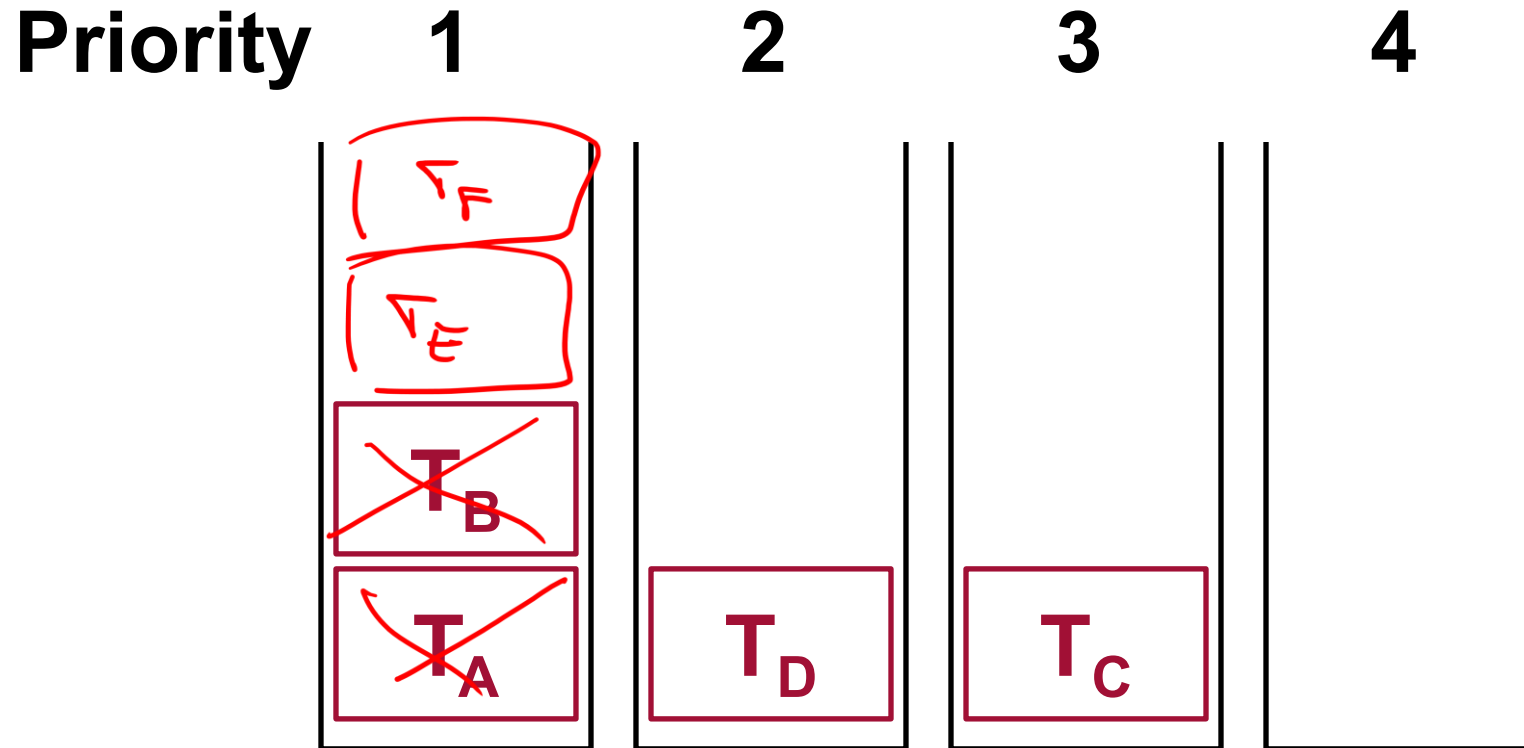


- Context swapping takes time
- Low priority task can starve

Non-Preemptive Cooperative

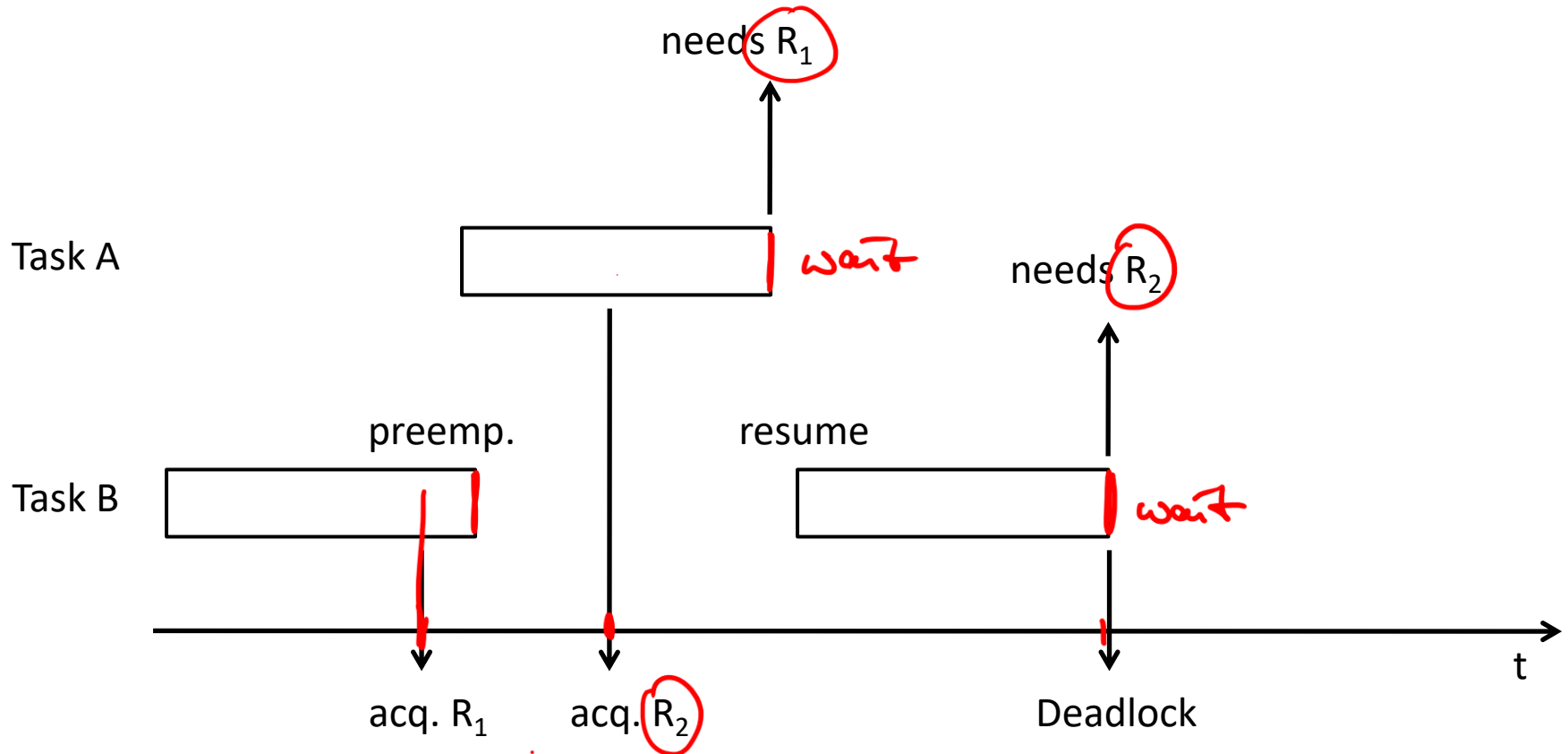


OSEK: Priority Queues



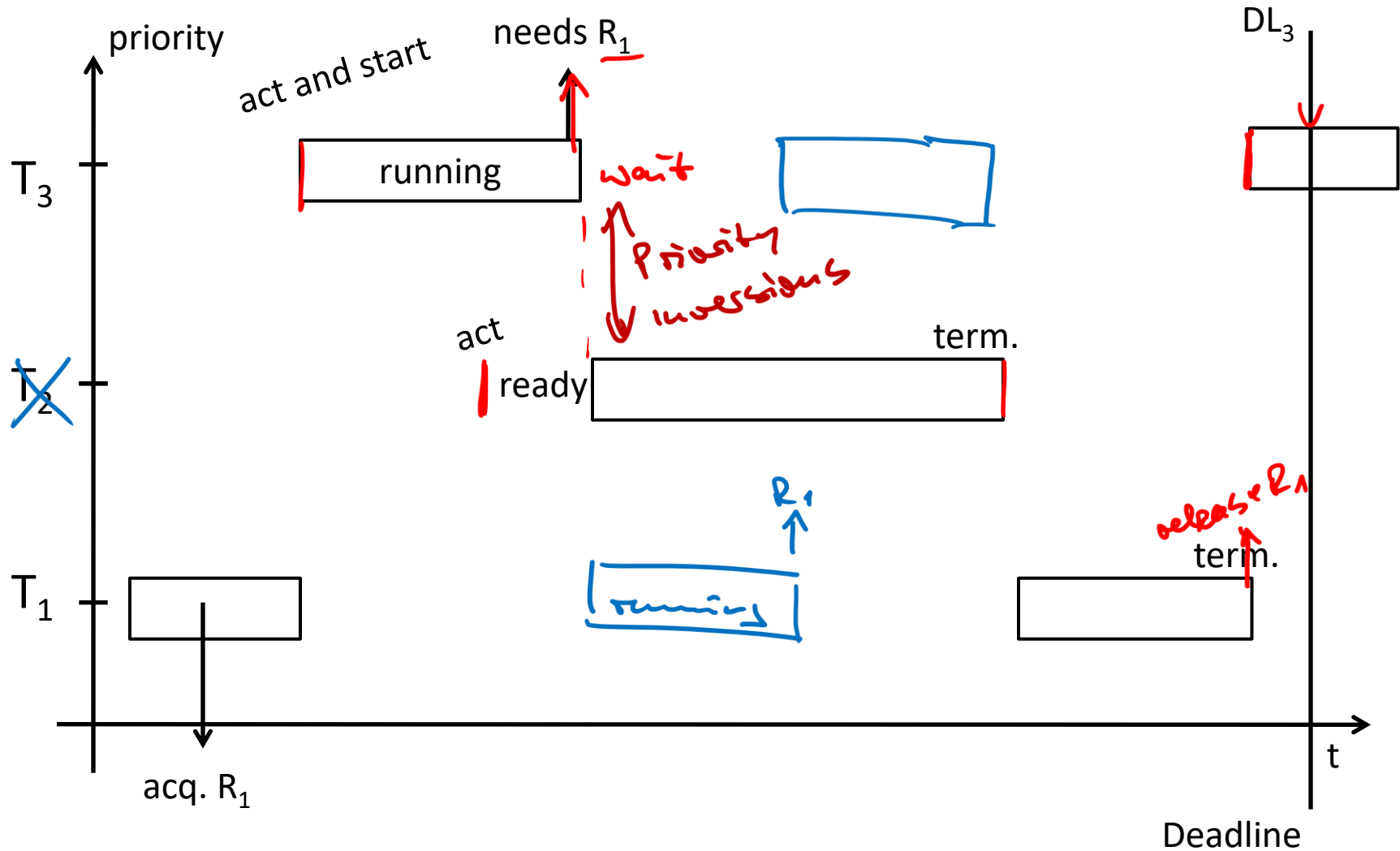
Problem: Deadlock

Extended Task Model
2 Tasks, 2 Resources



Problem: Priority Inversion

3 Tasks, 1 Resource



Example for Priority Inversion: Mars Pathfinder Project

Elements:

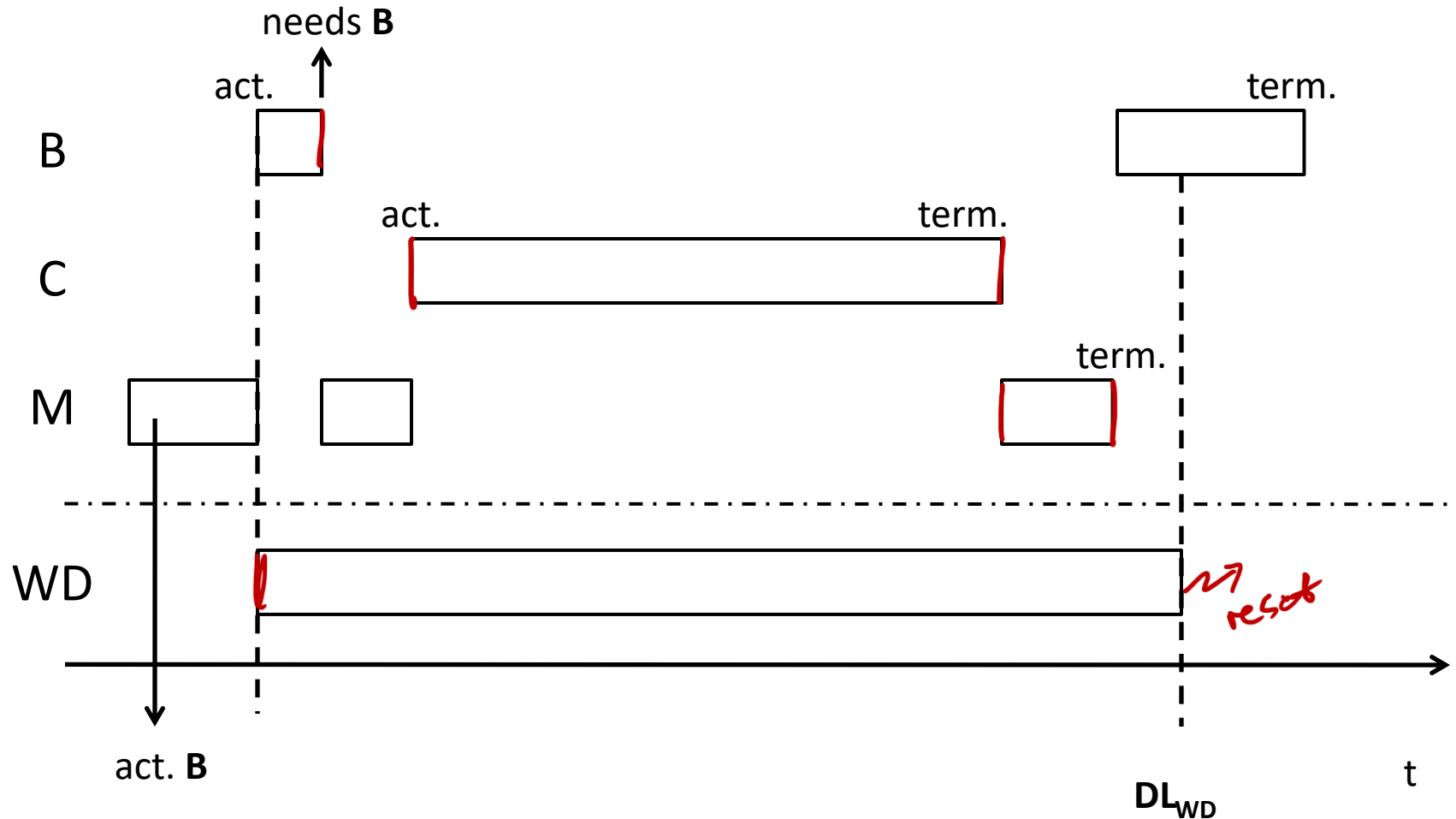
- One resource:
 - B: Information bus
- Three tasks:

B:	Bus management	needs B	highest priority
C:	Communication	does not need B	medium priority
M:	Metrological data gathering	needs B	lowest priority

- Watchdog timer WD, reset by bus management

Example for Priority Inversion: Mars Pathfinder Project

Problem:

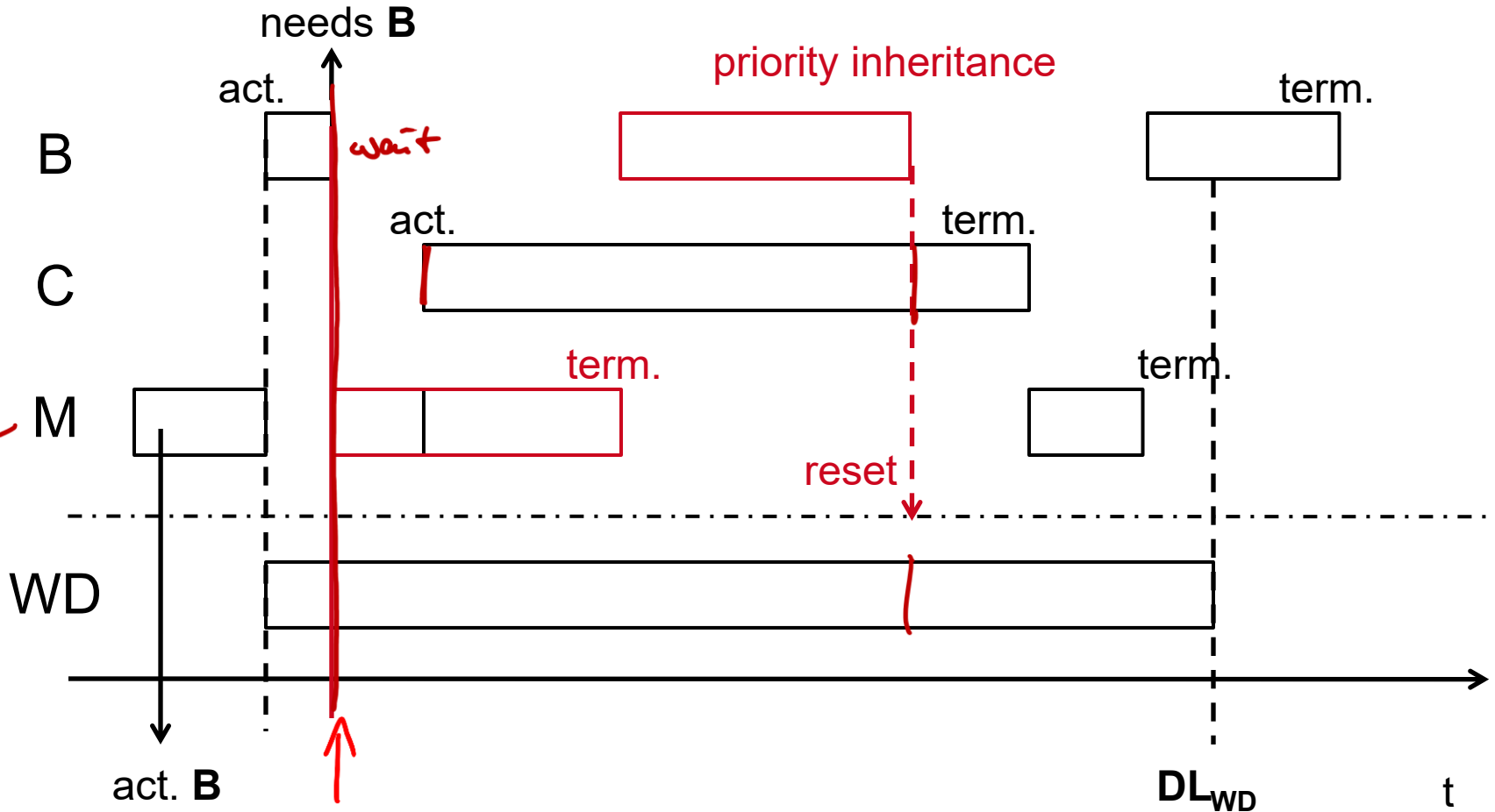


Priority Inheritance Protocol

- ▶ Task A (high priority) needs a resource R
- ▶ Task B (low priority) currently holds R
- ▶ As soon as A starts waiting for R
 - B inherits A's priority
 - ⇒ B cannot be preempted by an intermediate priority
 - ⇒ No priority inversion possible
- ▶ Complex:
 - Current holder of a resource must be determined
 - Holder's priority must be changeable while running

Example for Priority Inversion: Mars Pathfinder Project

Problem:



Priority Ceiling Protocol

- ▶ Ceiling priorities are assigned to the resources
- ▶ A resources priority is the highest priority of all tasks that may use it
- ▶ A task is upgraded to the resource's priority as soon as the task holds it.
- ▶ Can be calculated during design time
- ▶ Not optimal: T2 is upgraded to R_1 's priority even if T4 is inactive

high T5

T4 \rightarrow R_1 ← Ceiling priority of $R_1 = \text{Prio}(T4)$

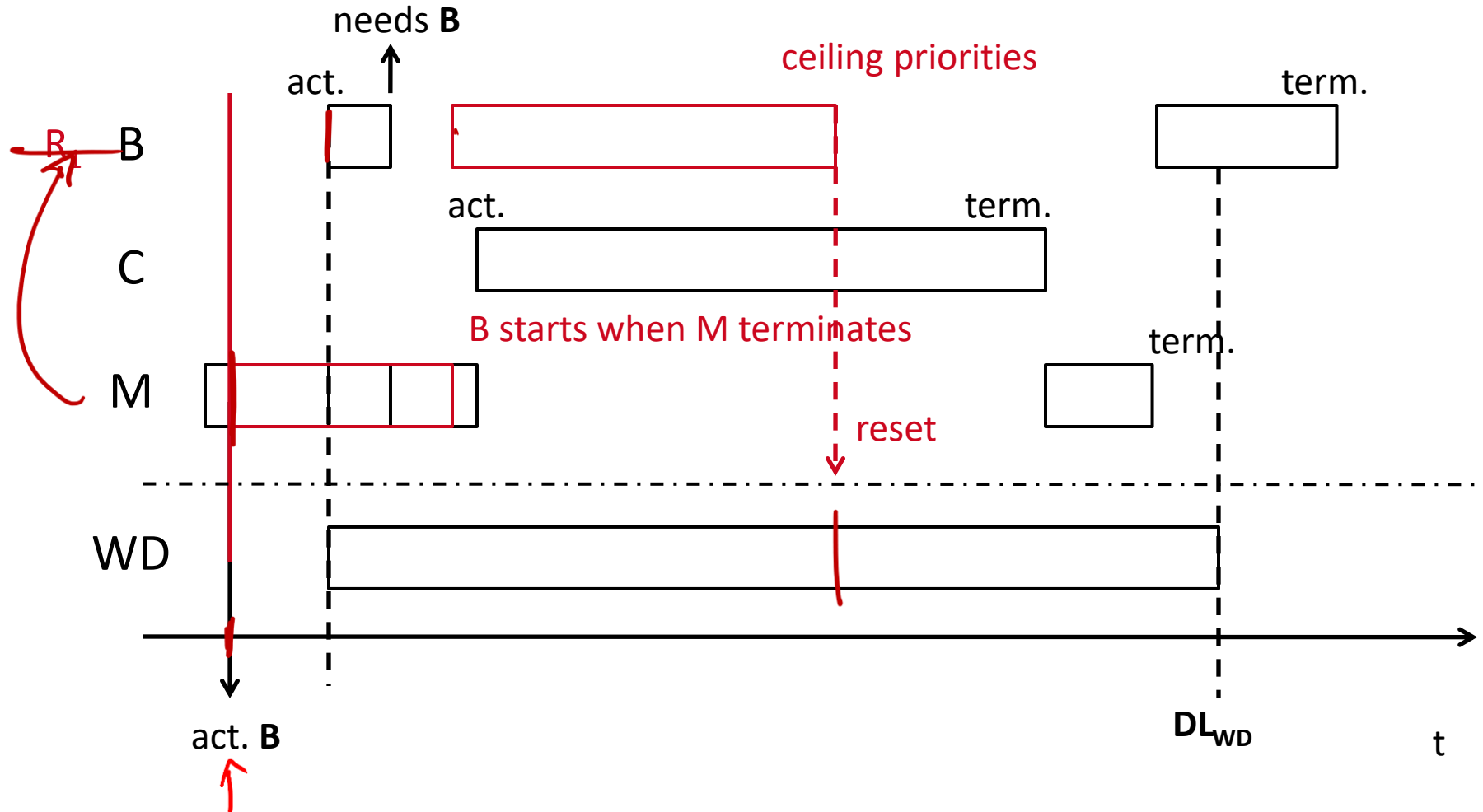
$T3$

T2 \rightarrow R_1

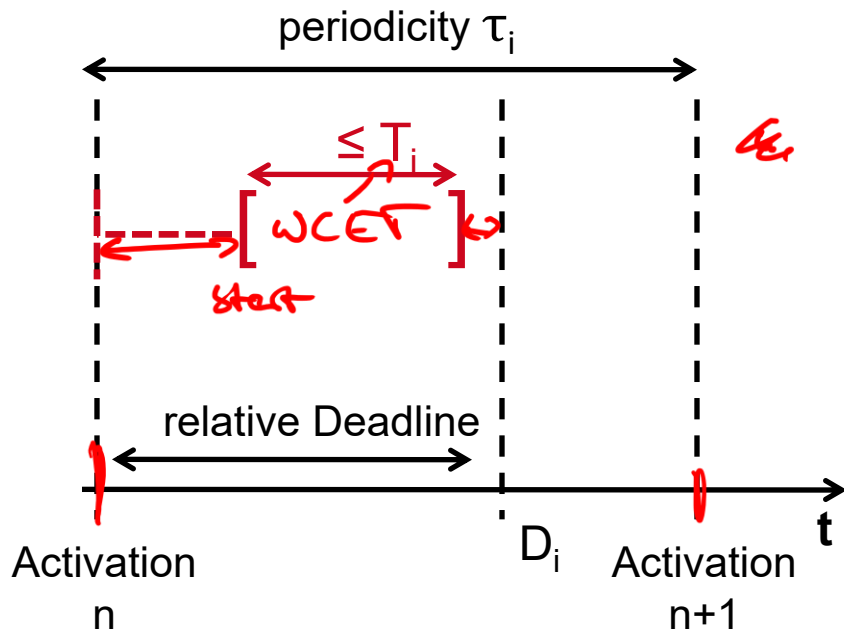
low T1

Example for Priority Inversion: Mars Pathfinder Project

Problem:



Reminder: Task parameters



A Task is characterized by

$$T_i = (\tau_i, T_i, D_i)$$

$i=1,2,\dots \rightarrow$ Task System

Definitions

Schedule: (Plan)

Mapping of an execution sequence to a task system

Feasibility: (Planbarkeit)

A schedule is feasible, if no deadline is violated.

Schedulability:

A task system is schedulable, if a feasible schedule exists.

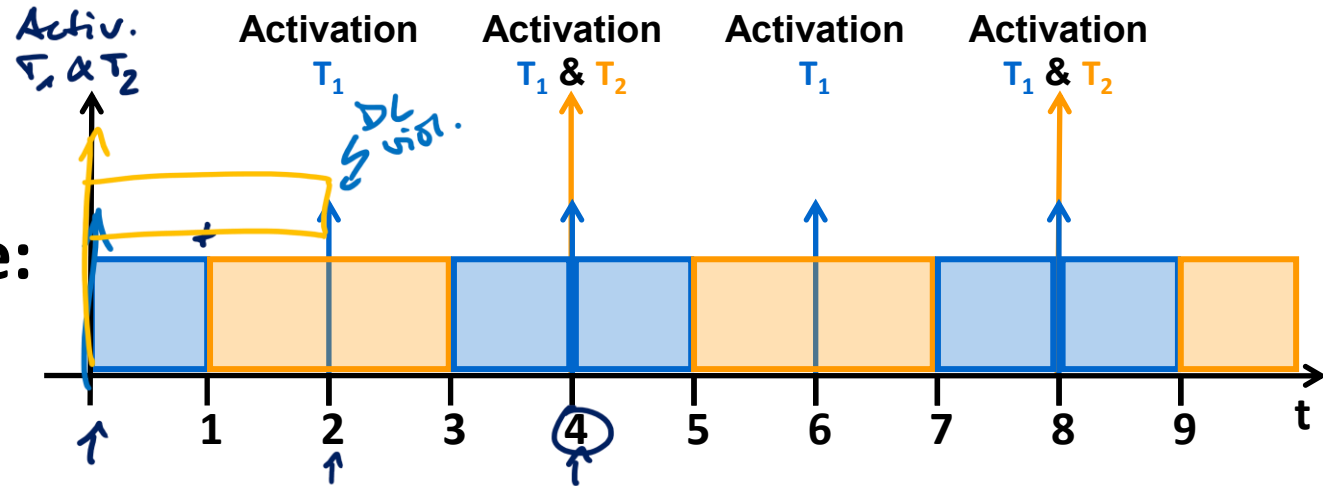
Example 1 - Cooperative vs. Preemptive Scheduling

$T_1 = (2, 1, 2), T_2 = (4, 2, 4)$

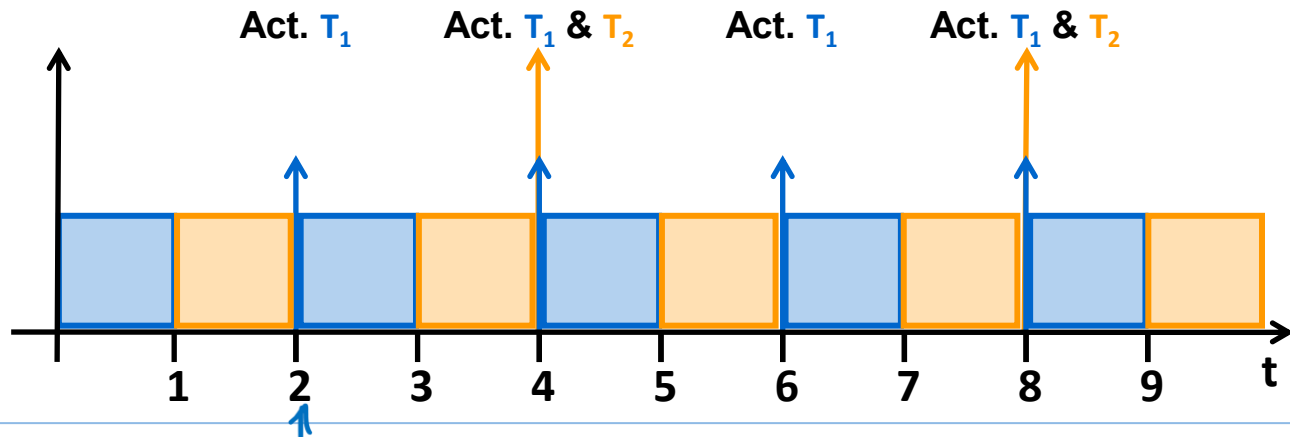
Handwritten notes:
 Above T_1 : $\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad D$
 Below T_1 : $\uparrow \quad \downarrow \quad \uparrow$
under Period

z.B. (Periodizitäten)

Cooperative:



Preemptive:

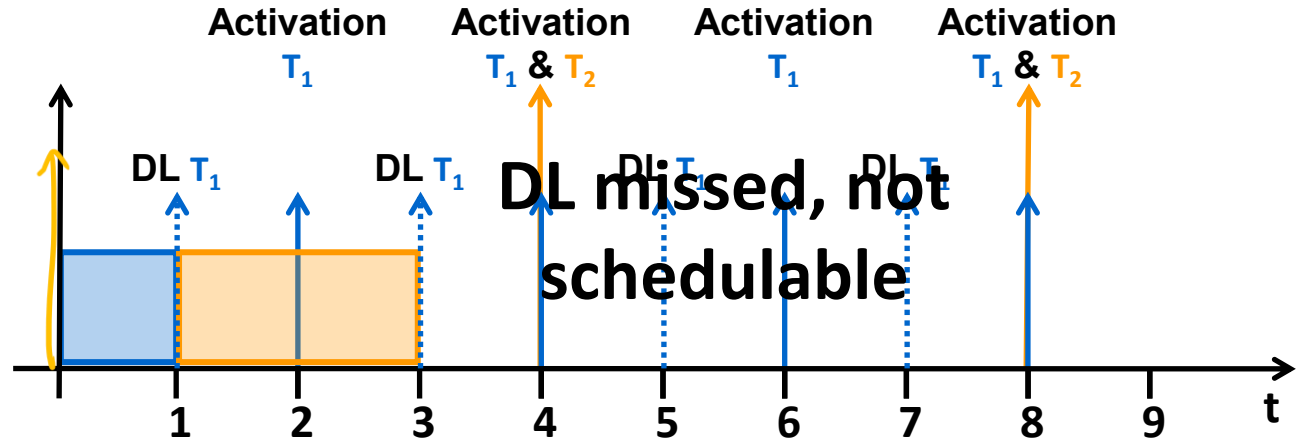


Example 2 - Cooperative vs. Preemptive Scheduling

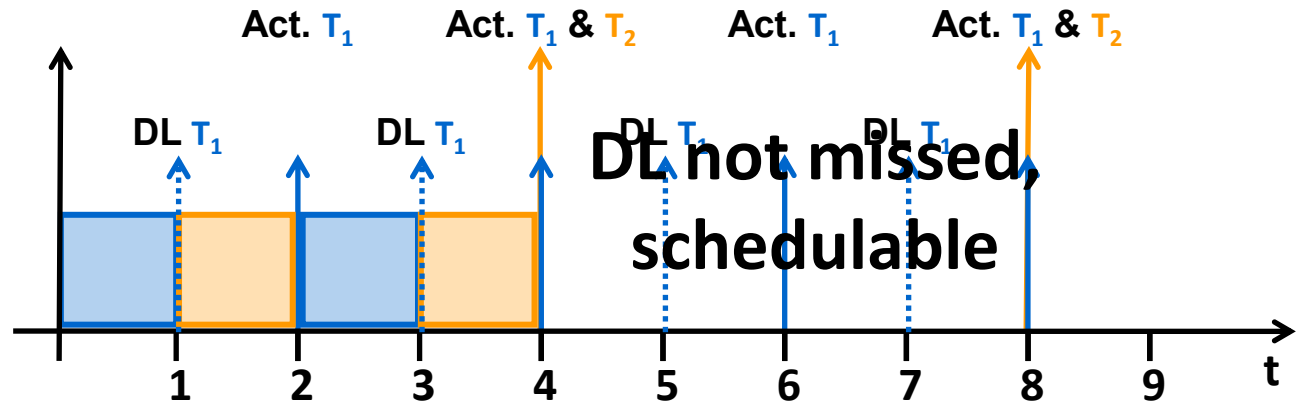
$$T_1 = (2, 1, 1), T_2 = (4, 2, 4)$$

$$Prio(T_1) > Prio(T_2)$$

Cooperative:



Preemptive:



Example 3 – Cooperative vs. Preemptive Scheduling

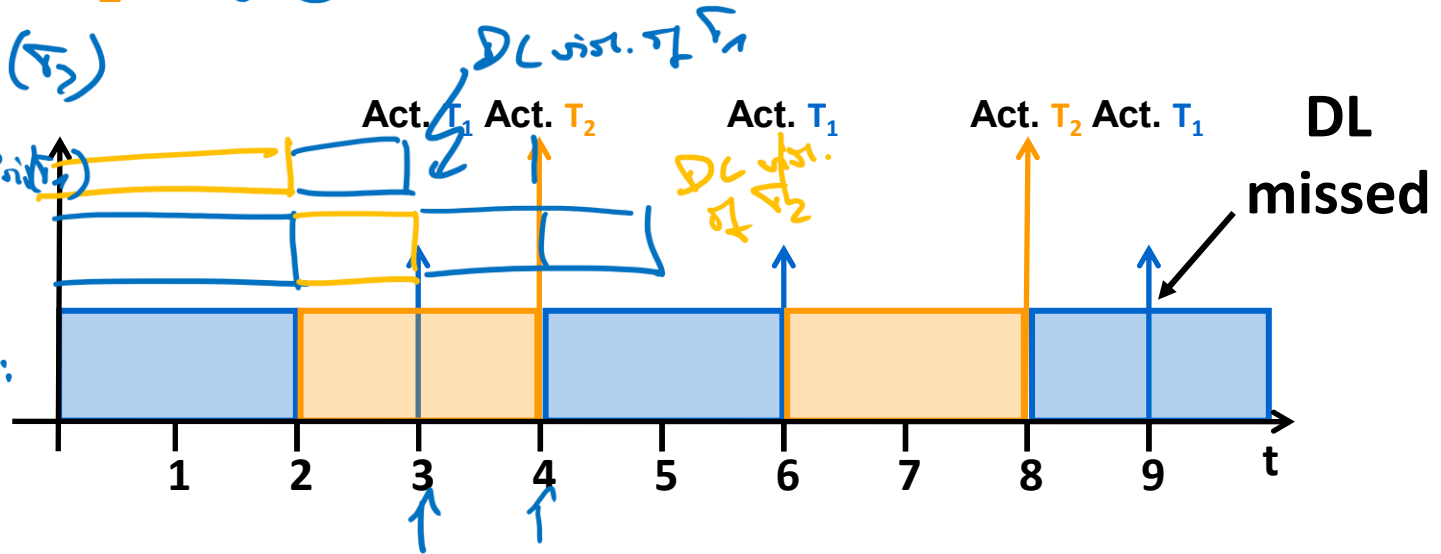
$$T_1 = (\textcircled{3}, \textcircled{2}, 3), T_2 = (\textcircled{4}, \textcircled{2}, 4)$$

$$Prio(T_1) > Prio(T_2)$$

$$Prio(T_2) > Prio(T_1)$$

Preemptive:

Cooperative:



Not schedulable using preemption
→ scheduling impossible

Utilization

What was the problem in example 3?

→ CPU Utilization U

$$U = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{T_i}{\tau_i}$$

Example 3: $U = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{4} = \frac{14}{12} > 1$

Anteil einer Task T_i an Zeitstrahl

$U > 1 \Rightarrow$ Task system is not schedulable.

$U \leq 1$ necessary condition for schedulability.

Questions

1. Is every task system with $U \leq 1$ schedulable?

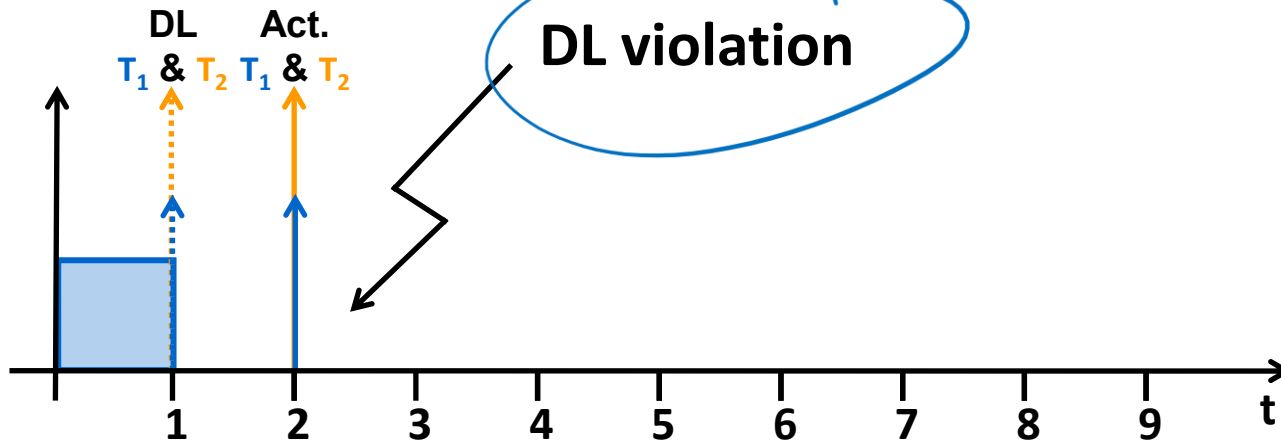
Or: Is $U \leq 1$ a sufficient condition for schedulability? *nein*

2. Is there an algorithm which generates a feasible schedule for every schedulable task system? (i.e. an „optimal“ algorithm)

Example 4 - Utilization

$$T_1 = (\underline{2}, \underline{1}, \underline{1}), T_2 = (\underline{2}, \underline{1}, \underline{1})$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$



Liu, Layland 1973

Execute the task with smallest D first.

Rate Monotonic Scheduling

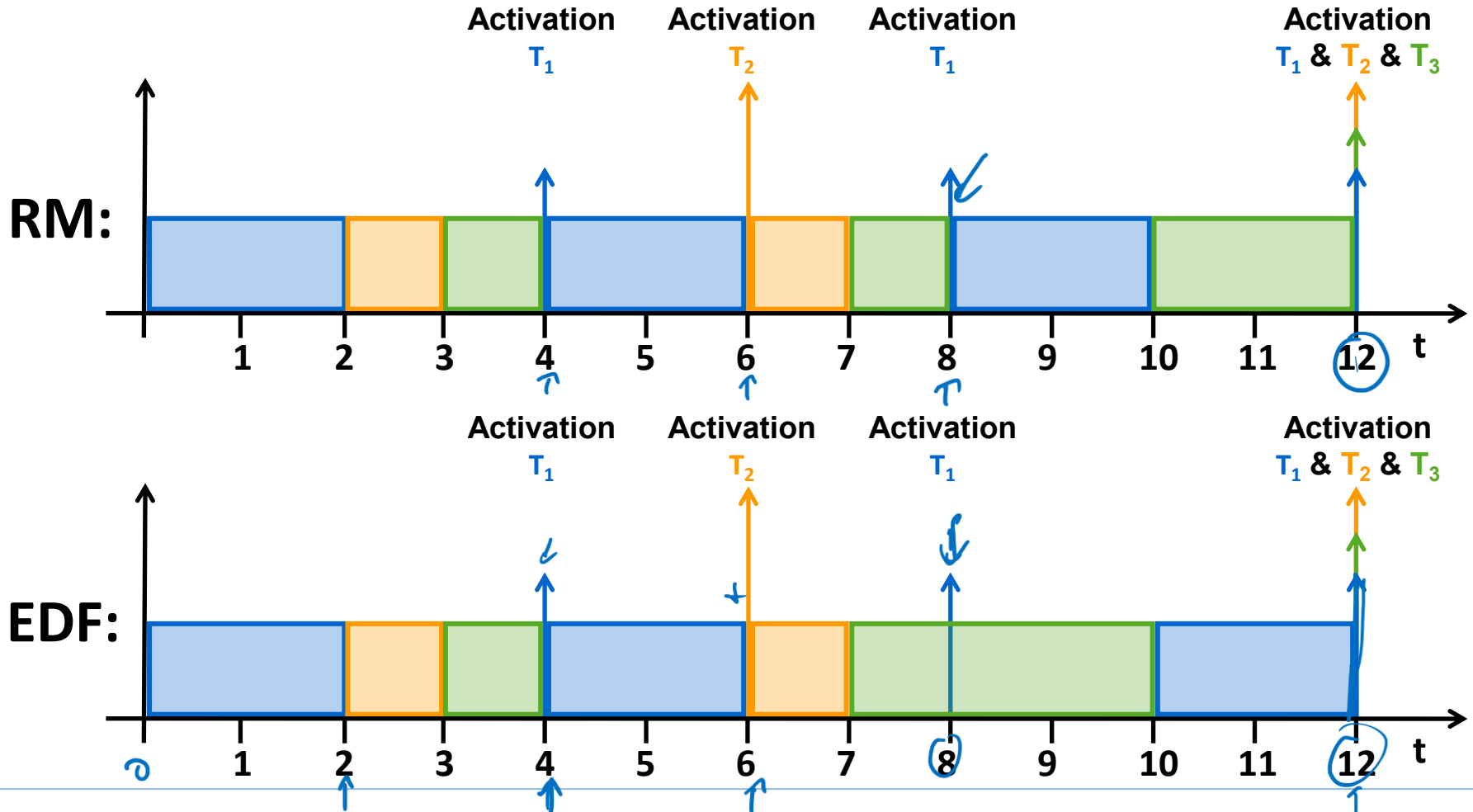
$$\text{Rate} = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\text{Periodizität}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prio}(T_1) > \text{Prio}(T_2) > \dots > \text{Prio}(T_m) <=> \\ \frac{1}{\tau_1} > \frac{1}{\tau_2} & \quad > \dots > \quad \frac{1}{\tau_m} \end{aligned}$$

A task system is RM-schedulable, if a feasible RM-schedule exists.

Example 5 – RM vs. EDF

$T_1 = (\underline{4}, \underline{2}, 4)$, $T_2 = (\underline{6}, \underline{1}, \underline{6})$, $T_3 = (\underline{12}, \underline{4}, \underline{12})$ $U=1$ $\text{Prio}(T_1) > \text{Prio}(T_2) > \text{Prio}(T_3)$

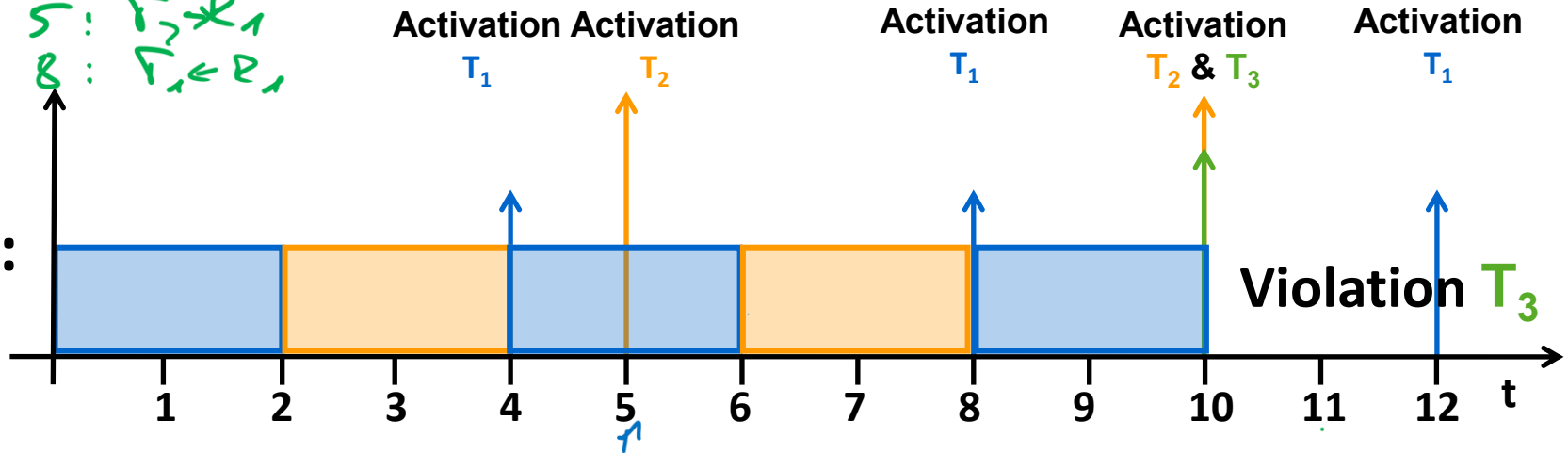


Example 6 – RM vs. EDF

$T_1 = (4, 2, 4)$, $T_2 = (5, 2, 5)$, $T_3 = (10, 1, 10)$ $U=1$ $\text{Prio}(T_1) > \text{Prio}(T_2) > \text{Prio}(T_3)$

5: $T_2 \rightarrow P_1$
8: $T_1 \leftarrow P_1$

RM:



EDF:
optimal

