

Utility aware Energy Constrained Real-Time Scheduling

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Abstract—Mapping and Scheduling of real-time tasks and messages of conditional DAGs in automotive systems.

Index Terms—Real-Time Systems, Automotive Systems, Conditional DAG.

I. SYSTEM MODEL AND PROBLEM FORMULATION

In this work, we use the notation (for example) \sum_j to mean

$$\sum_{j \in [1, N_i^{job}]}$$

Problem Mapping and Scheduling of segmented real-time tasks. Non-preemptive. Energy budget. Maximize weighted average utility.

Processor Model. Given a set \mathcal{P} of N^{proc} heterogeneous processors such that each processor P_x executes with a discrete set of N^{freq} frequency $\mathcal{F}_x = \{f_{x,z}\}$ such that $f_{x,z}$ is normalized with respect to the $f_x^{max} = \max_x \{f_{x,N^{freq}}\} = 1$ in the system. Furthermore, frequency values in \mathcal{F}_x are assumed to be arranged in an increasing order.

Task Model. Given a set $\mathcal{T} = \{T_i\}$ of N^{tsk} real-time periodic tasks. Each task T_i is specified with the following parameters.

- Each task is activated periodically with a period of p_i , each such activation is referred to as the *job* of this task.
- j^{th} job of T_i is activated at $(j-1)p_i$ with a *deadline* jp_i .
- Each task T_i (and so does each job of this task) has a *mandatory* segment and N_i^{seg} optional segments. While the mandatory segments of all tasks must finish by the respective deadline, executing optional segment allows refining the quality of output, thus higher *utility*. Evidently, executing optional segment of a task is optional but if executed provides higher utility. Let $O_{i,k}$ be the k^{th} optional segment of T_i . Executing $O_{i,k}$ indicates all previous optional segment of this task are also executed. Let e_i be the time to execute mandatory segment of task T_i with the highest frequency f_x^{max} . Whereas $e_{i,k}^O$ be the execution time of k^{th} optional segment of T_i with f_x^{max} .

Let $h = \text{lcm}\{p_i\}$ be the hyper-period. Then, the number of jobs of T_i in the hyper-period is $N_i^{job} = \frac{h}{p_i}$. We allow jobs of a task to execute on a different processor with a different frequency. However, once a job starts executing it cannot be preempted (that is to say, scheduling is **non-preemptive**), it cannot migrate to another process or execute with a different frequency [1].

Utility Model. We assume that the utility gained by executing optional segment is weighted, however remains the same for all jobs of a task. Furthermore, we assume that utility

values are already adjusted and u_i denote the utility gained by per unit execution of optional segment of task T_i . In this work, we consider a *linear* utility function.

Energy Model. Following the common convention, we follow the following energy model. The energy consumption to execute $T_{i,j}$ on processor P_x with z^{th} frequency while $O_{i,k}$ is the last optional segment to be executed.

$$E_{i,j,k,x,z} = \alpha \frac{e_i + \sum_{q=1}^k e_{i,q}^O}{f_{x,z}} \left(\beta f_{x,z}^2 + e_i + \sum_{q=1}^k e_{i,q}^O \right). \quad (1)$$

In this work, the total energy consumption should not exceed energy budget B .

Problem Statement. The problem of utility aware scheduling of real-time task with energy budget is referred to USRT.

USRT problem is to compute a mapping $T_{i,j} \mapsto \langle P_x, f_{x,z}, k, t_{i,j}^{beg} \rangle$ to optimize average weighted utility such that following constraints are satisfied.

- 1) timing constraint is satisfied for each job in the hyper-period that is to say, the mandatory segment of all jobs and selected optional segment must be executed before respective deadline
- 2) total energy consumption does not exceed the energy budget B
- 3) scheduling constraints are satisfied - non-preemption, no migration, no change in frequency, exclusivity (only one job can be executed by a processor at a time)

II. ILP FORMULATION

Let $V(ijkxyz)$ be a binary (decision) variable such that $V(ijkxyz) = 1$ if $T_{i,j}$ is mapped to processor P_x and executes with the frequency $f_{x,z}$ up to k^{th} segment at the y^{th} position.

Note, there can be up to $\sum_{i=1}^{N^{tsk}} N_i^{job}$ jobs could be mapped (scheduled in a non-preemptive fashion) on a processor and thus, $y \in [1, L]$. Then, USRT is to compute $V(ijkxyz)$ such that following constraints are satisfied.

[C1.] Each job is executed exactly once. Only one processor, one position, one frequency, and up to zero or more optional segments.

$$\sum_{k,x,y,z} V(ijkxyz) = 1, \forall i, j \quad (2)$$

[C2.] At any position on a processor, at most one job can be executed.

$$\sum_{i,j,k,z} V(ijkxyz) \leq 1, \forall x, y \quad (3)$$

[C3.] Timing constraint is satisfied for each allocation of a processor.

$$eft(x, y) \leq deadline(x, y), \forall x, y \quad (4)$$

where $eft(x, y)$ and $deadline(x, y)$ are computed as described in the following. The number of allocations A_x on the processor P_x is given as

$$A_x = \sum_{i,j,k,y,z} V(ijkxyz) \quad (5)$$

Then, earliest execution start time of the first allocation on P_x is the release time of the corresponding job given as

$$est(x, 1) = \sum_{i,j,k,z} V(ijkxyz) \times (j-1) \times p_i \quad (6)$$

and the earliest finish time is

$$eft(x, 1) = est(x, 1) + \sum_{i,j} V(ijkxyz) \times \frac{e_i + \sum_{q=1}^k e_{i,q}^O}{f_{x,z}} \quad (7)$$

Likewise, the earliest execution start time of the l^{th} ($l \geq 2$) allocation on P_x is

$$est(x, l) = \max \left\{ \sum_{i,j,k,z} V(ijkxyz) \times (j-1) \times p_i, eft(x, l-1) \right\} \quad (8)$$

and the earliest finish time is

$$eft(x, l) = est(x, l) + \sum_{i,j} V(ijkxyz) \times \frac{e_i + \sum_{q=1}^k e_{i,q}^O}{f_{x,z}} \quad (9)$$

The deadline is

$$deadline(x, l) = \sum_{i,j,k,z} V(ijkxyz) \times j \times p_i \quad (10)$$

Need to linearize maximum computation.

[C4.] Total energy consumption E^{total} does not exceed energy budget.

$$E^{total} \leq B \quad (11)$$

Objective: The objective is optimize (maximize) sum of average weighted utility in the hyper-period accumulated by executing optional segments.

- We assume utility values are already adjusted to incorporate the weight.
- Let u_i denote the utility gained by per unit execution of optional segment of task T_i .

Utility gained by executing job $T_{i,j}$ is

$$U_{i,j}^{job} = u_i \times \sum_{k,x,y,z} V(ijkxyz) \times e_{i,q}^O \quad (12)$$

Utility gained by task T_i over all jobs in the hyper-period

$$U_i^{tsk} = \sum_j U_{i,j}^{job} \quad (13)$$

The objective Φ is

$$\Phi = \frac{\sum_i U_i^{tsk}}{N^{tsk}} \quad (14)$$

III. SCRATCHPAD

- Preemptive
- non-linear utility function
- energy optimization

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