

An Energy Aware Edge Priority-based Scheduling Algorithm for Multiprocessor Environments

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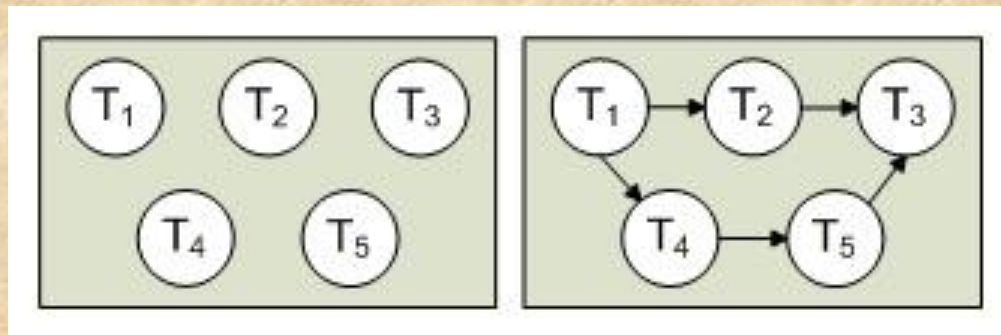


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Introduction

- Multiprocessors
- New challenges in multiprocessors
- Dynamic Voltage Frequency Scaling (DVFS)
- A parallel application
- Proposed an algorithm called EAEPS
 - It reduces the energy consumption by zeroing the edges of high priorities.
 - It is an energy aware version of our EPS algorithm.



Introduction

Objective

“To develop an energy-aware scheduling algorithm which aims to reduce power consumption by exploiting DVFS technique.”

Contributions

- The idea of edge prioritization leads to meaningful clustering
- The work fruitfully achieves minimization of energy consumption
- A simulation study is performed for benchmark task graphs

Related Work

Task scheduling algorithms

- List scheduling algorithms
- Duplication-based scheduling algorithms
- Clustering-based scheduling algorithms

Energy aware scheduling algorithms

System Model and Problem Formulation

Energy Model

- Processors have several voltage and frequency levels, and a scheduling algorithm may choose the appropriate voltage and frequency to save energy.

$$P_{dynamic} = A \times C_L \times V_{dd}^2 \times f$$

$$\xi = \sum_{\Delta t} (\eta \times V_{dd}^2 \times f \times \Delta t)$$

Processor Model

- Processors are enabled with software controlled DVFS

$$f = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq K} \{f_i\}$$

$$V = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq K} \{V_i\}$$

Application Model

- Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)

The Proposed Algorithm

Edge prioritization

- Concept of edge priority in Sarkar's algorithm
- Our concept of edge prioritization

$$p(e_{i,j}) = \frac{CT(e_{i,j})}{ET(T_i) + ET(T_j)}$$

Clustering

- Merging of two tasks or clusters
- The order among tasks within a cluster is decided by their bottom-levels.

The Proposed Algorithm

Voltage scaling of non-critical tasks

- Slack of a task is defined as the amount of time the task can be delayed without delaying the makespan.

$$slack(T_i) = LFT(T_i) - EST(T_i) - ET(T_i)$$

where LFT is latest finish time, EST is earliest start time and ET is execution time of the task

- New execution time of the task: $ET_{slack}(T_i) = ET(T_i) + slack(T_i)$
- When a processor executes a non-critical task, it first calculates its slack and then its new execution time. After that it attempts to scale its operating frequency

$$f_k(T_i) = f_{max} ET(T_i) / ET_{slack}(T_i)$$

The Proposed Algorithm

EAEPS Algorithm

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1: Initially one cluster for each of the tasks is formed
2: Calculate initial energy consumption
3: Compute priority of each edge
4: Sort all edges in non-increasing order by their priorities and make a list
5: repeat
6:   for all edges in the sorted list do
7:     Zero an edge if energy consumption reduces
8:     When two clusters are grouped, the order among tasks is decided by
       comparing their bottom-levels with each other
9:     if bottom-level of one task is equal to the bottom-level of other task then
10:      Both tasks are ordered according to their topological-order in the cluster
11:    end if
12:    Update energy consumption
13:    break
14:  end for
15:  Remove an edge from sorted list by which energy consumption reduces.
16: until energy consumption decreases
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Experimental Results

- Performed simulation for some benchmark task graphs given by Davidovic and Crainic.
- Results of EAEPS are compared with EADUS & TEBUS, Energy reduction algorithm, ECS and PATC.
- Frequency and supply voltages used in this work

Frequency (GHz)	Supply Voltage (V)
0.8	0.90
1.0	1.00
1.2	1.05
1.4	1.10
1.6	1.15
1.8	1.20

Energy aware scheduling algorithms	Minimum energy saving (%)
EADUS & TEBUS	11.4
Energy reduction algorithm	18.5
ECS	29.4
PATC	30.5
EAEPS	31.4

Conclusions

- Proposed an energy-aware version of our EPS algorithm called EAEPS that aims at reducing energy consumption by exploiting DVFS technique and outperforms the four energy-aware scheduling algorithms.
- The simulation results show that EAEPS achieves up to 31.4 % energy saving.

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