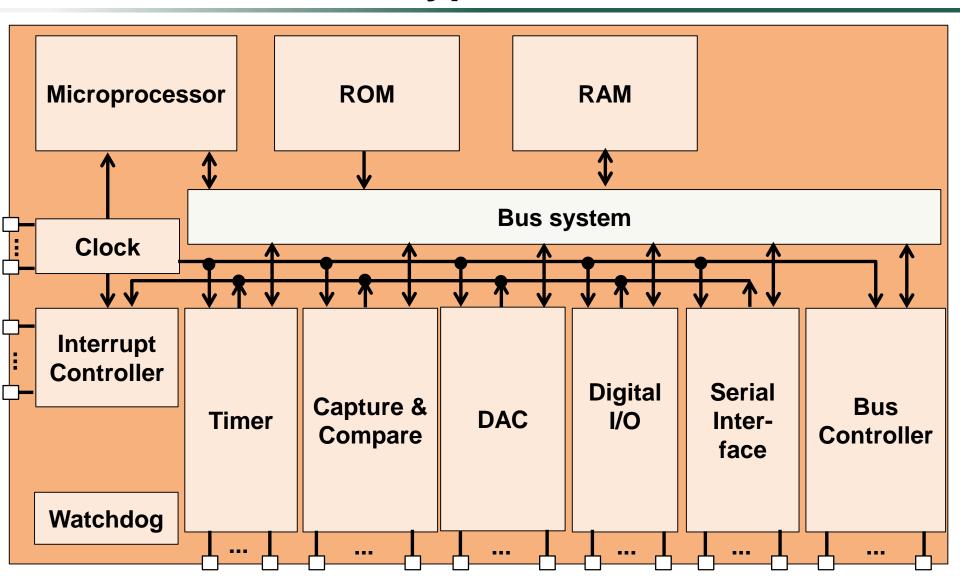
Software Platforms for Automotive Systems

Lecture 4:OS and Real-Time Behavior

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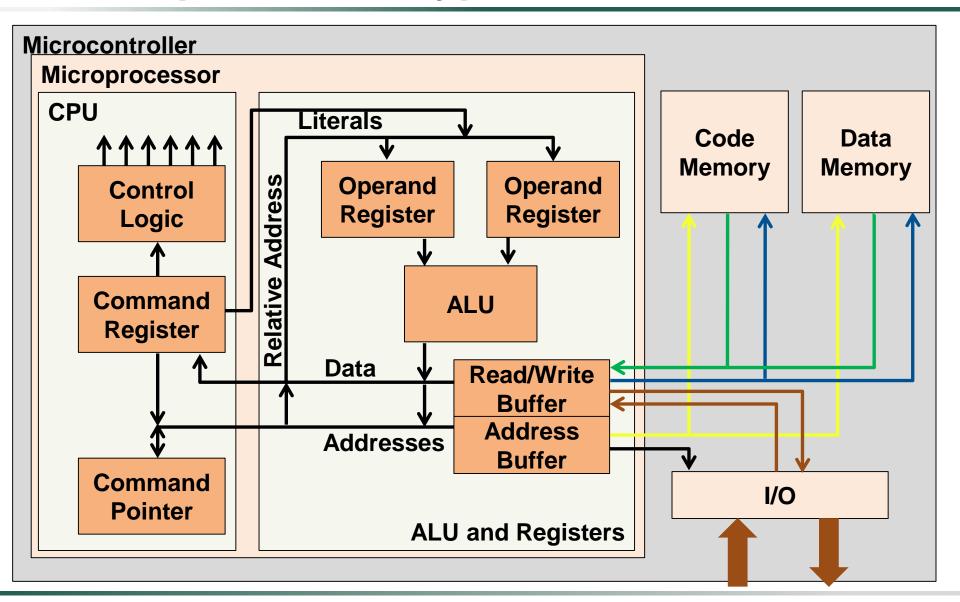


Microcontroller: Typical Structure





Microprocessor: Typical Structure





AUTOSAR/OSEK OS

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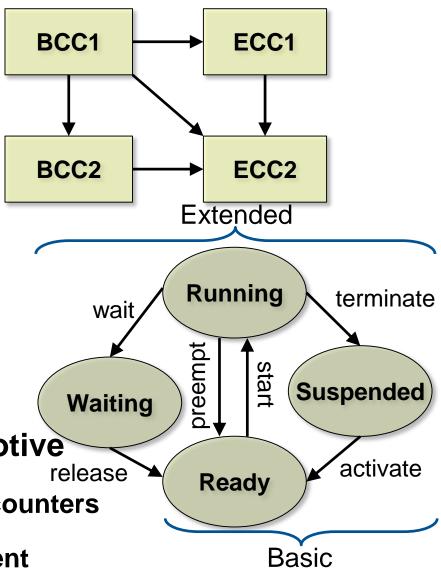
Property	BCC1	BCC2	ECC1	ECC2
Multiple activation	no	yes	BT:no ET:no	BT:yes ET:no
# tasks	8		16	
Tasks/ priority	=1	>1	=1	>1
Events/ task	-		8	
# priorities	8		16	

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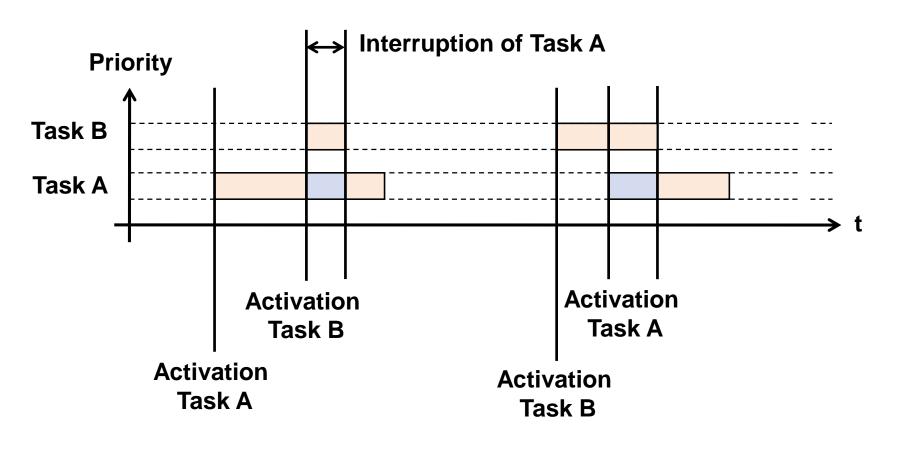


Real-Time Behavior

- Tasks need to execute on time
- Tasks are associated with deadlines
 - Need for computing Worst-Case Execution Time (WCET)
- Deadline misses may cause damage
 - Human lives in danger = hard real-time
 - Brakes in a car, steer by wire, etc.
 - Quality of service goes down = soft real-time
 - Multimedia systems, MMI, etc.
- Need for schedulability/feasibility analysis
 - Requires an appropriate task model



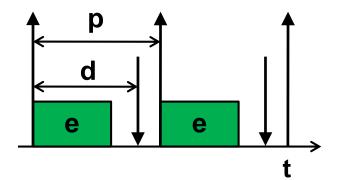
Preemptive Scheduling



- Task running
- Task ready



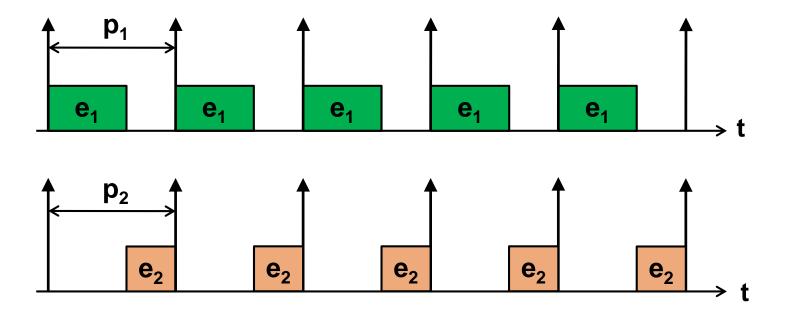
- Model for real-time tasks
 - Periodic/sporadic with inter-release time: p
 - Relative deadline: d
 - Worst-case execution time: e
- The case d =p is more usual
- The case of d ≤ p is harder to handle



- Scheduling algorithm
 - OS supports fixed priorities
 - Rate Monotonic (RM)
 - Deadline Monotonic (DM)



- Utilization bound on one processor: $U = \sum_{\forall T_i} \frac{e_i}{p_i} \le 1$
 - This is necessary but not sufficient test



- $e_1 + e_2 = p_1 = p_2 \rightarrow U = 1$
- $e_1 + \varepsilon$ or $e_1 + \varepsilon \rightarrow$ Deadline miss



- Worst-case response time (WCRT) analysis
 - Necessary and sufficient
 - "Critical instant": jobs of all tasks are released simultaneously

$$t^{(j+1)} = e_k + \sum_{\substack{\forall \, T_i \in \\ HP(k)}} \left\lceil \frac{t^{(j)}}{p_i} \right\rceil \cdot e_i \quad \begin{cases} HP(k) = \text{Set of tasks with higher priority than the k-th task} \end{cases}$$

- Compute iteratively until: t (j+1) = t (j)
- This is the WCRT of the k-th task: w_k
- Task set is feasible, if for all possible k: w_k ≤ d_k

Example (1/3)

- A two-task set should be tested under DM
 - T_1 : e_1 =1.5ms, p_1 =3ms, d_1 =2.5ms
 - T_2 : e_2 =1.2ms, p_2 =5ms, d_2 =2ms
- Utilization: $U = \frac{1.5}{3} + \frac{1.2}{5} = 0.74$
 - 0.74<1 → first check is OK
- WCRT for highest priority tasks (i.e., T₂)

$$t^{(0)} = e_2 = 1.2$$

$$t^{(1)} = 1.2 + \sum_{\substack{\forall T_i \in HP(2)}} \left[\frac{1.2}{p_i} \right] \cdot e_i = 1.2 - HP(2)$$
 is empty



Example (2/3)

- $t^{(1)} = t^{(0)} \rightarrow \text{stop} \rightarrow w_2 = t^{(1)} = 1.2\text{ms}$
- 1.2ms ≤ 2ms → deadline can be met
- WCRT for next highest priority (i.e.,T₁)

$$t^{(0)} = e_2 + e_1 = 2.7$$

$$t^{(1)} = 1.5 + \sum_{\substack{\forall \ T_i \in \\ HP(1)}} \left\lceil \frac{2.7}{p_i} \right\rceil \cdot e_i = 1.5 + \left\lceil \frac{2.7}{5} \right\rceil \cdot 1.2 = 2.7$$

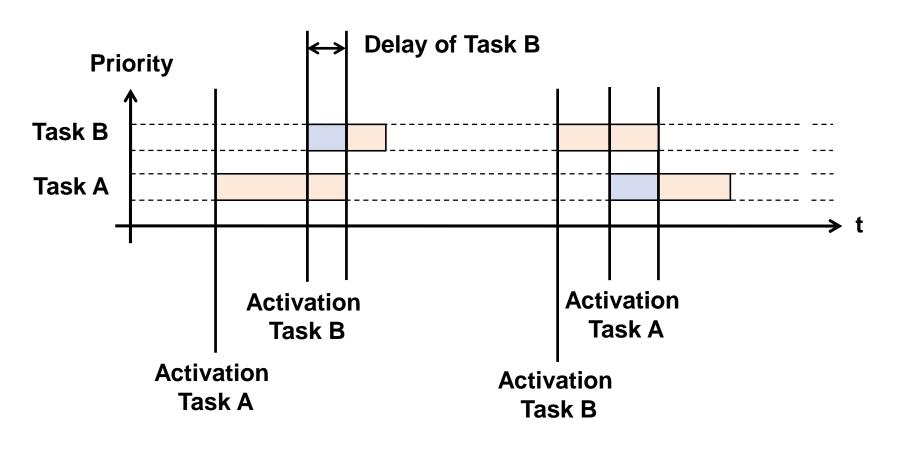
- HP(1) contains T₂
- $t^{(1)} = t^{(0)} \rightarrow \text{stop} \rightarrow w_1 = t^{(1)} = 2.7 \text{ms}$
- 2.7ms > 2.5ms → deadline cannot be met!

Example (3/3)

- What can we do to make T₁ meet its deadline?
 - Increase its deadline from 2.5ms to 2.7ms
 - When can I do this in practice?
 - T₁ should allow it. If increasing T₁'s deadline leads to malfunctioning, then we need to find another solution.
 - Decrease the execution time of T₁ or T₂
 - Either optimizing algorithm or using a faster processor
 - Change T₁'s priority
 - This might lead to another task missing its deadline
 - In our example, if T_1 gets higher priority than T_2 then T_2 will miss its deadline.



Non-Preemptive Scheduling



- Task running
- Task ready



- Almost the same task model as before
 - Periodic/sporadic with inter-release time: p
 - Relative deadline: d
 - Worst-case execution time: e
- In addition, we model the "blocking time": b
 - This is the maximum time a given task can be "blocked" due to a lower-priority task running
- The schedulability analysis becomes more complex
 - With preemptions we compute the WCRT of the first job of each task in the critical instant; without preemptions we need to compute the WCRT of all jobs in the busy interval



- Utilization bound is still necessary: $U = \sum_{\forall T_i} \frac{e_i}{p_i} \le 1$
 - But not a sufficient test
- Worst-case response time (WCRT) analysis
 - Necessary and sufficient
 - "Busy interval": no idle time starting from critical instant
 - This can be determined in the following manner:

$$\mathbf{t}^{(j+1)} = \sum_{\forall T_i} \left\lceil \frac{\mathbf{t}^{(j)}}{\mathbf{p}_i} \right\rceil \cdot \mathbf{e}_i$$



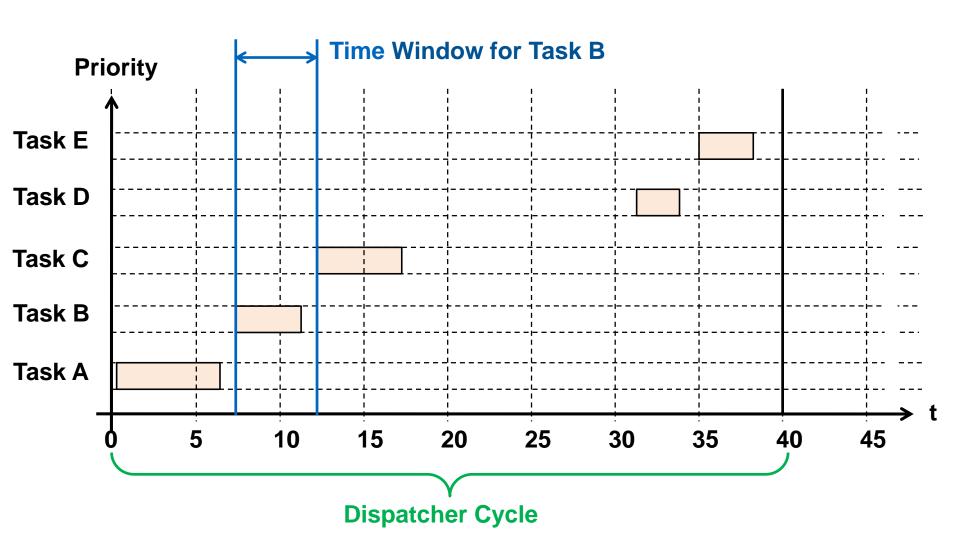
- For each job of the k-th task in the busy interval
 - We need to compute the WCRT
 - Indexing k-th task's jobs by $1 \le I \le \alpha$, we have

$$t^{(j+1)} = b_k + I \cdot e_k + \sum_{\substack{\forall \, T_i \in \\ HP(k)}} \left\lceil \frac{t^{(j)}}{p_i} \right\rceil \cdot e_i = b_k = \max_{\substack{\forall \, T_i \in LP(k)\\ lower \ priority\\ than \ the \ k-th \ task}} (e_i)$$

- Compute iteratively until: t (j+1) = t (j)
- This is the WCRT of the I-th job of k-th task: w_{k,I}
- Feasible, if for all possible k and I: $w_{k,l} \le (l-1) \cdot p_k + d_k$

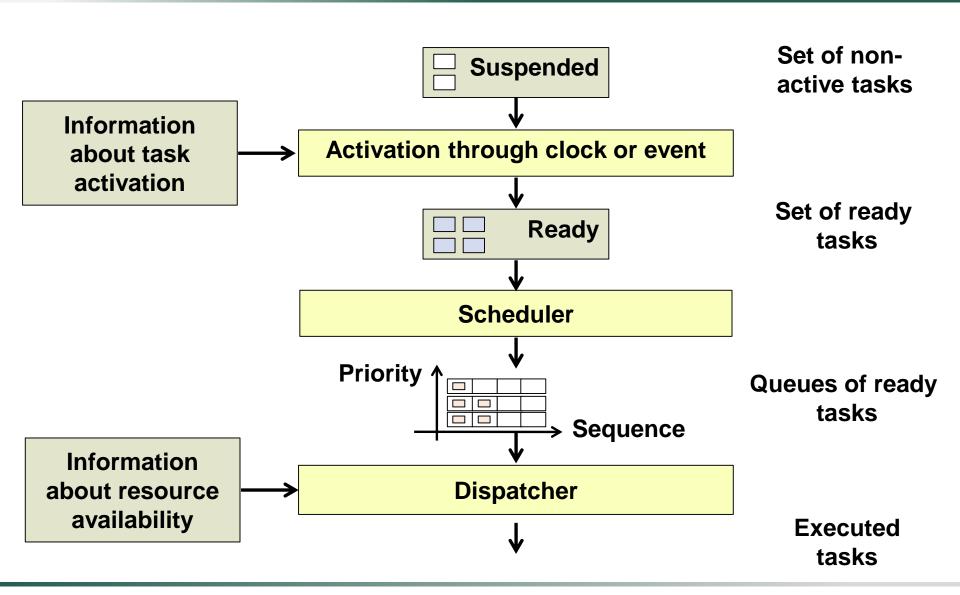


Time-Triggered Scheduling



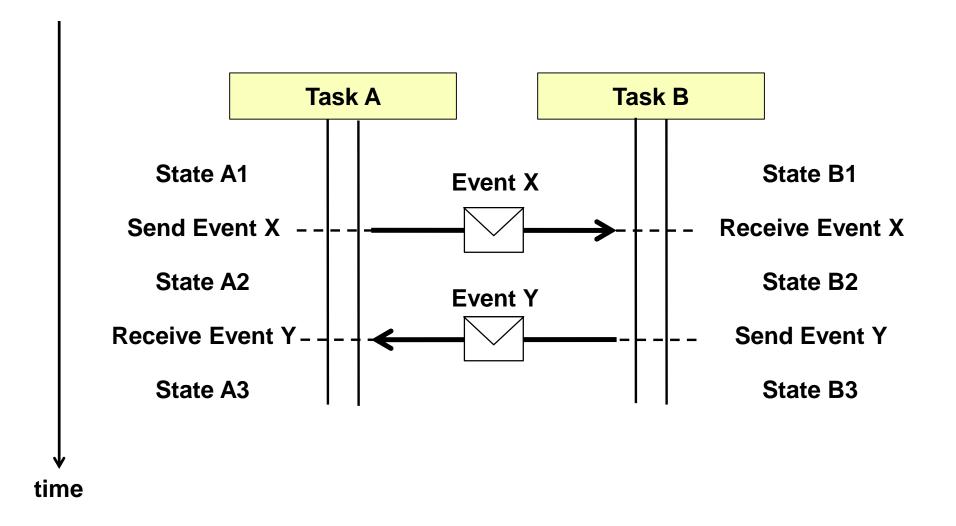


Scheduling Process



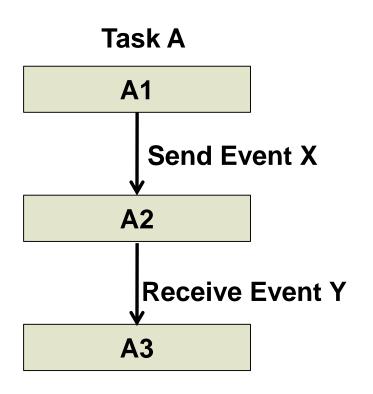


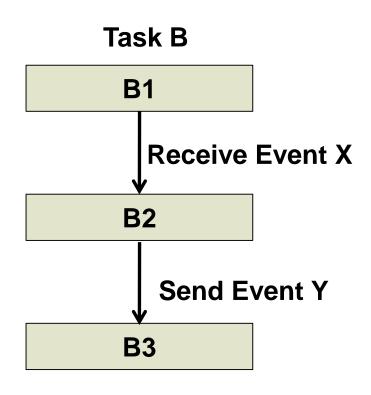
Task Synchronization





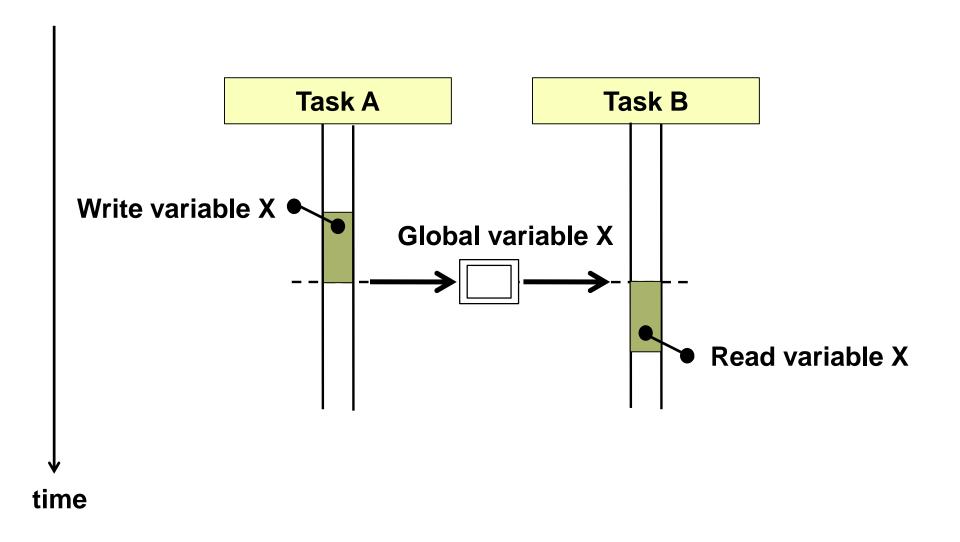
Tasks' State Flow





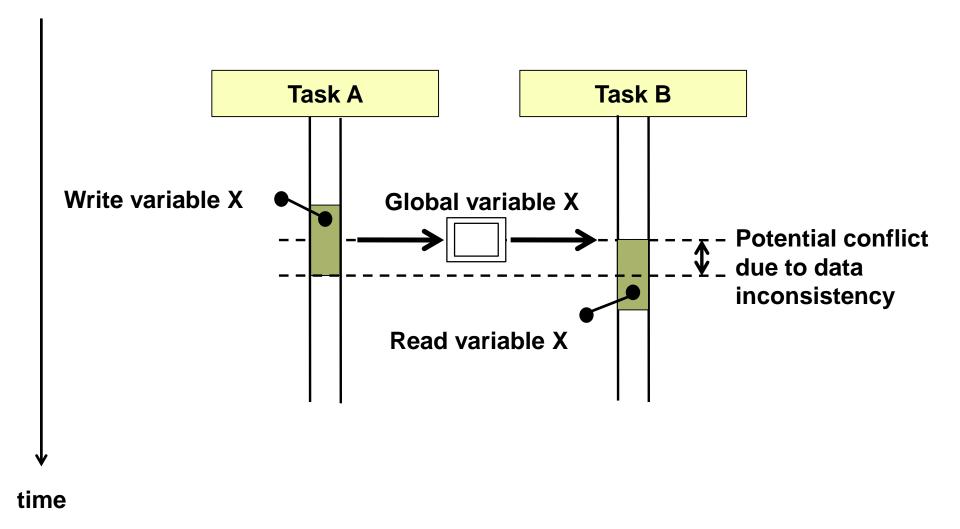


Synchronization: Global Variable



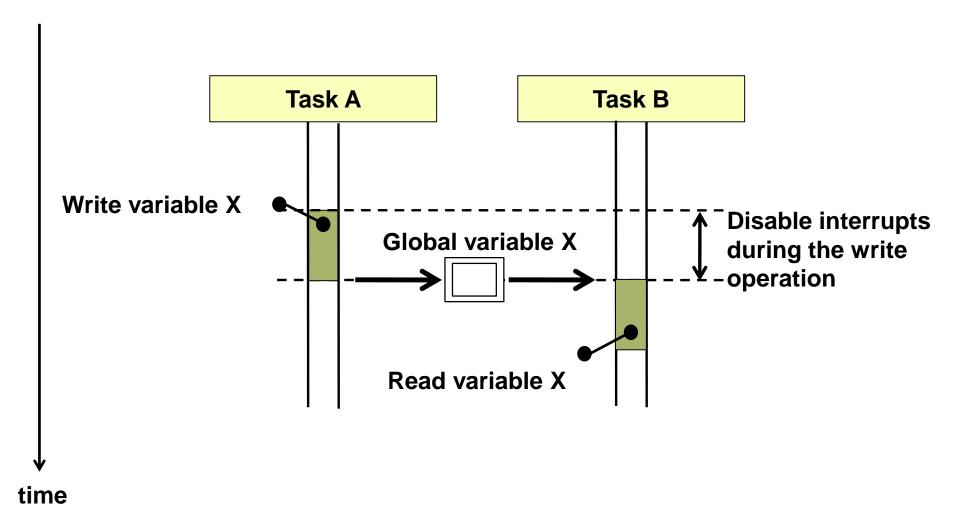


Potential Problem



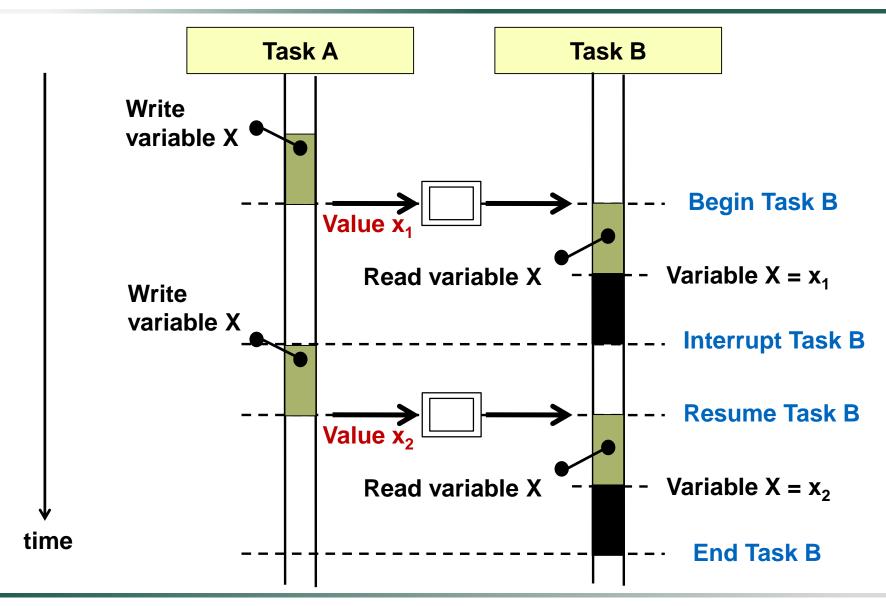


Solution to that Problem



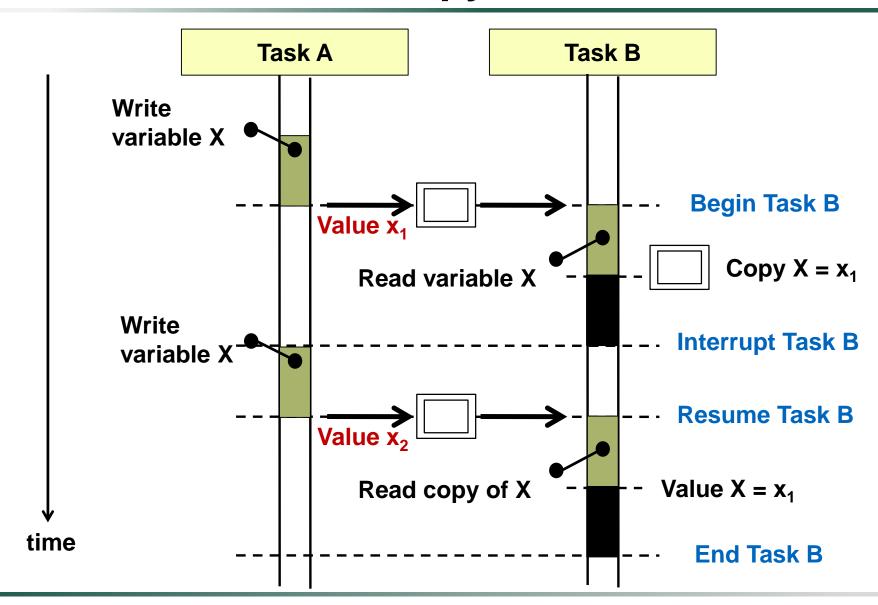


Another Problem





Solution: Local Copy





Summary

- Microcontroller and Microprocessor structure
 - Need for OS support to deal with hardware
- OS needs to provide real-time behavior
 - Fixed-priority scheduling algorithm
 - Need to perform a schedulability test
 - Time-triggered scheduling
 - Easier to analyze but less flexible
 - Mechanism for synchronizing tasks
 - Global variables are commonly used
 - There might be problems with data consistency

