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FLEXRAY SCHEDULE OPTIMIZATION OF THE STATIC SEGMENT

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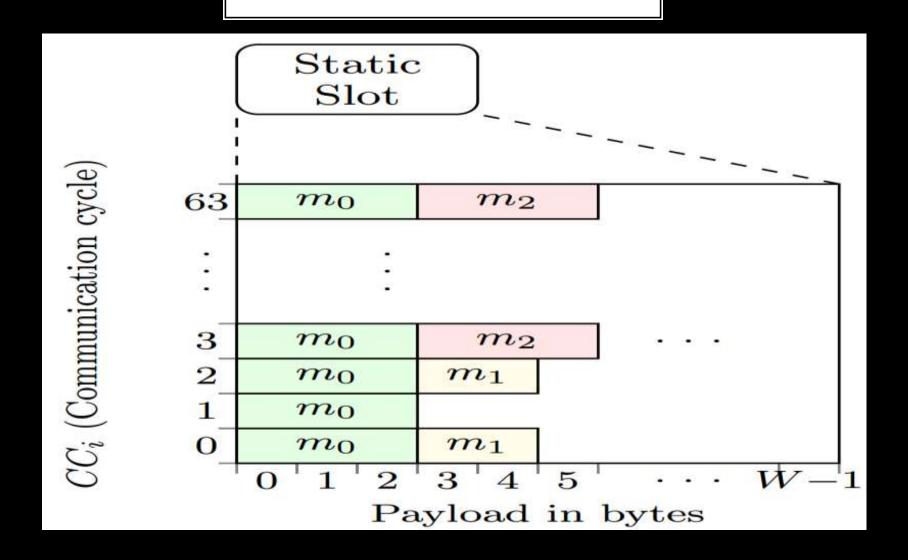
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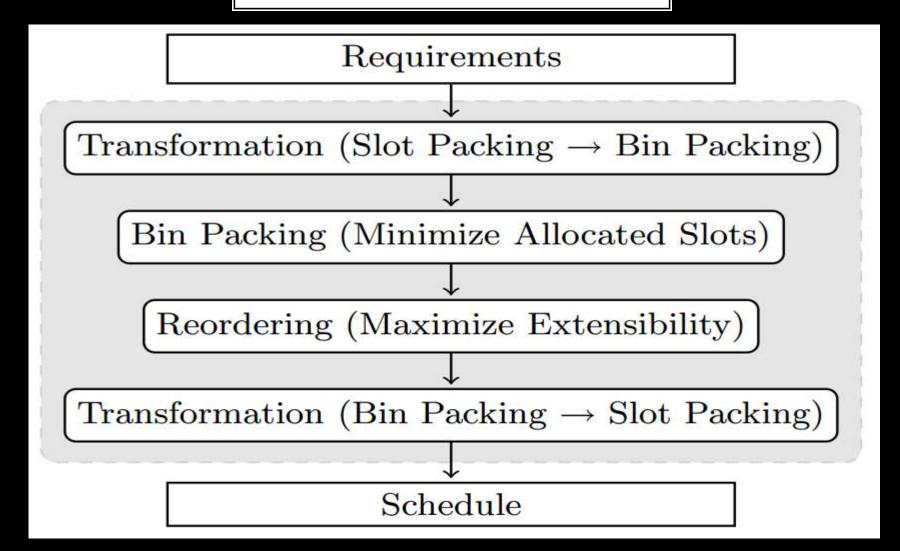
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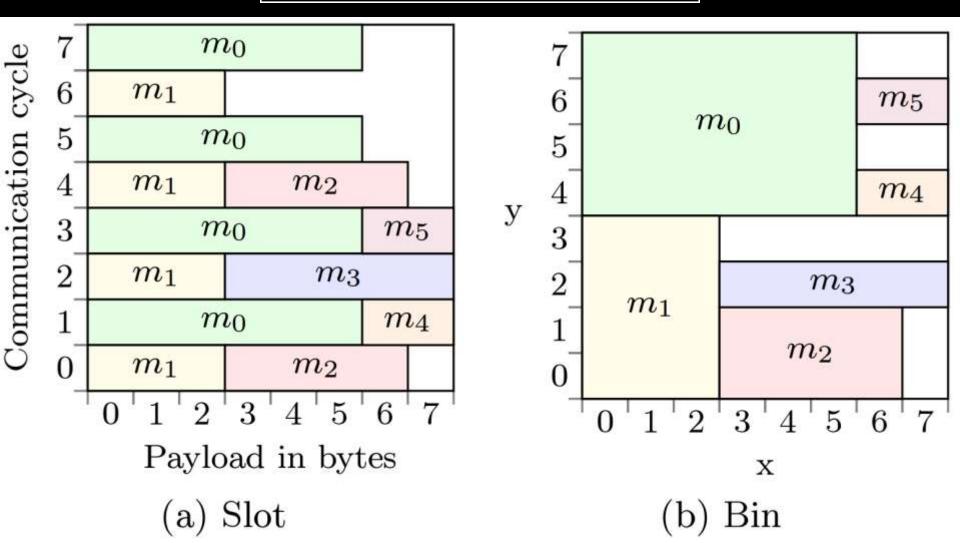
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- 1: $S = \{\}$ //set of bins
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- 4: if place(m, s) then
- 5: continue with next m
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- 8: create new s and add it to S
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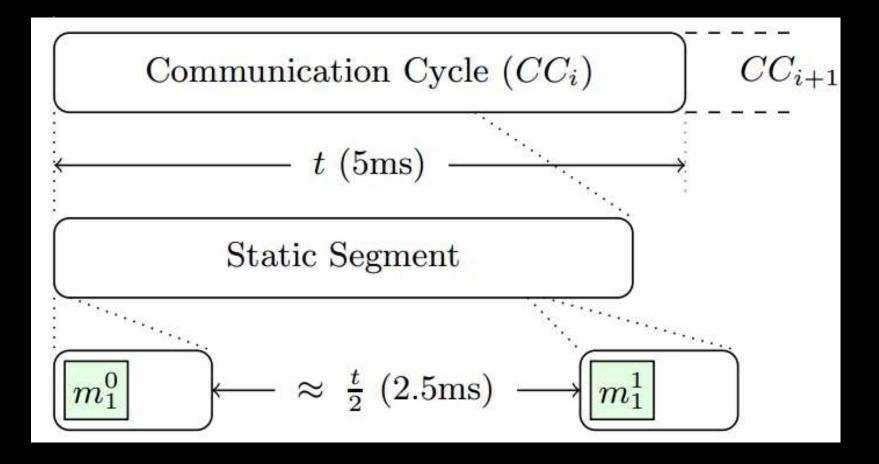
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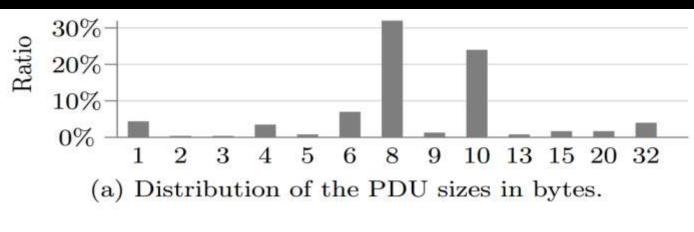


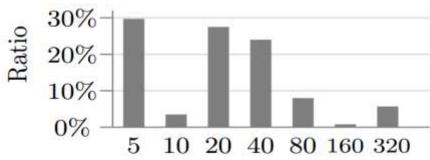
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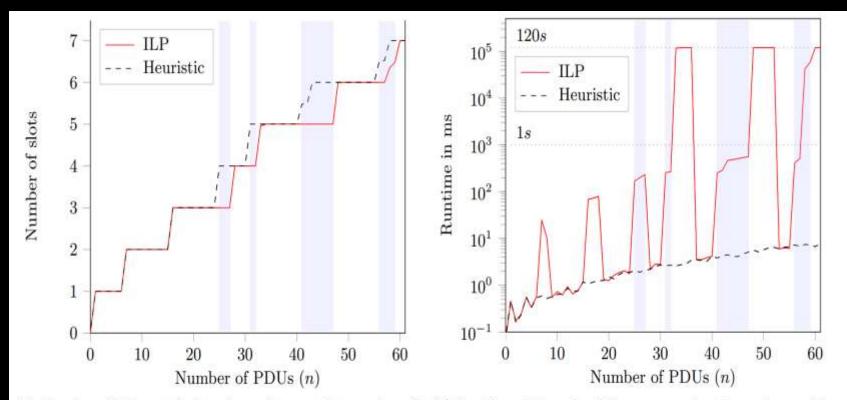
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INCREMENTAL SCHEDULING

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SCALABILITY



(a) Number of allocated slots depending on the number of scheduled PDUs.

(b) Runtime of the scheduling approaches depending on the number of scheduled PDUs.

THE END

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