

Project ARARE

**Adaptive Real-Time Analysis & Re-evaluation Engine for Resilient University
Timetable Scheduling**

A Resilience-First Scheduling Framework

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01. The Problem Statement

Traditional University Timetabling Problems (UTP) are solved statically.

The Gap:

- **Fragility:** Systems fail when faculty are absent or rooms are unavailable.
- **Regeneration Overkill:** Minor changes often require recomputing the entire timetable.
- **Black-Box Logic:** No explainability when constraints are relaxed.
- **Static Nature:** Assumes ideal operating conditions.

02. Project Abstract

ARARE proposes a **resilience-first** scheduling framework.

- **Clash-Free:** Ensures absolute invariants (Faculty/Room conflicts).
- **Localized Re-optimization:** Instead of full regeneration, it performs "targeted repair" during disruptions.
- **Stability > Optimality:** Prioritizes keeping the existing schedule consistent over finding a perfect new one.

03. Motivation & Objectives

Why ARARE?

- To handle hierarchical availability (Global vs. Room-specific).
- To introduce **Constraint Criticality Hierarchy**.

Core Objectives:

1. Model university entities precisely.
2. Implement partial re-optimization algorithms.
3. Provide explainable constraint relaxation (No silent failures).

04. Technical Architecture (Phase 1)

Built for speed, scalability, and modularity.

- **Framework:** Spring Boot (Java)
- **Database:** MySQL
- **Core Entities:** - College → Building → Room
 - Faculty → Subject → Timeslot
 - Allocation (The bridge entity)

05. Constraint Modeling

Hard Constraints (Non-Negotiable)

- No Room Clashes.
- No Faculty Clashes.
- Capacity Matching.
- Manual Pre-allocation Locks.

Soft Constraints (Optimization Targets)

- Minimized Faculty Movement.
- Workload Balancing.
- Gap Optimization.

06. The ARARE Scheduling Flow

- 1. Initialization:** Loading metadata (Rooms, Faculty, Subjects).
- 2. Locking:** Applying manual pre-allocations.
- 3. Hard Constraint Mapping:** Establishing the baseline clash-free grid.
- 4. Soft Constraint Pass:** Iterative improvement of the schedule.
- 5. Validation:** Rule-based checking before finalization.

07. Real-Time Re-evaluation Strategy

What happens when a disruption occurs?

- Step 1: Identify "Affected Nodes" only.
- Step 2: Freeze "Safe Zones" (unaffected allocations).
- Step 3: Perform Localized Re-optimization.
- Step 4: If no solution exists, trigger **Graceful Degradation** via the Relaxation Hierarchy.

08. Literature Review & Research Gap

Current research (Genetic Algorithms, Ant Colony Optimization) focuses on **optimality**.

The ARARE Advantage:

- **Constraint Criticality Hierarchy:** Not all constraints are equal.
- **Stability-Oriented:** Minimal disruption to the user experience.
- **Explainable Outputs:** The system tells you *why* a constraint was relaxed.

09. Conclusion & Future Scope

Current State:

A robust university-level engine ensuring operational continuity.

Future Phases:

- Domain-agnostic abstraction (General Resource Allocation).
- Integration with Real-time IoT sensors for room occupancy.

Thank You!

Questions?

Project ARARE: Resilience through Adaptation.