

Real Time Systems

Project 1: Cycling scheduling

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Section A

Wagon controller (Arduino)

Functions implemented

gas_request()

Processes a request related to the accelerometer, then sends the response.

brake_request()

Processes a request related to the brake, then sends the response.

mixer_request()

Processes a request related to the mixer, then sends the response.

slope_request()

Processes a request for reading the slope, then sends the response.

speed_request()

Processes a request for reading the current speed, then sends the response.

computeSpeed()

Computes the current speed based on the slope, gas, brake and the previous speed.

readSlope(int status)

Reads the current value of the slope: -1 upwards, 0 flat, 1 downwards.

switchGas(int status)

Switch the gas on or off according to the specified status.

switchBrake(int status)

Switch the brake on or off according to the specified status.

switchMixer(int status)

Switch the mixer on or off according to the specified status.

Scheduling

For section A a total of 5 different tasks were identified. The functions take very little time to execute (micro seconds) while the main controller will request information from seconds to second. For this reason, the Deadlines of each task are much bigger than their Computing time. The Deadlines are set based on the importance of the corresponding task. Thus the slope, gas and brake (fundamental to compute the speed) are the most frequent tasks. While switching the mixer is less frequent.

According to the information obtained about each task, the following Deadline has been set. Therefore, the main cycle will be 1000ms (mcm(Di). For the secondary cycles the

duration chosen is 200ms. This is time enough for every function to be executed, and enough as well for the main controller to receive the answer (it takes 400ms to read data from the wire).

Therefore, the tasks are scheduled as follow:

Task					
Description	Symbol	T/D (ms)	C (μs)		
Read slope	SLP	200	180		
Control gas	GAS	250	52	Main cycle	1000ms
Control Brake	BRK	250	12	Secondary c	200 ms
Read speed	SPD	500	12	Usage	<1%
Control mixer	MIX	1000	12		

Figure 1: tasks information, section A, wagon controller

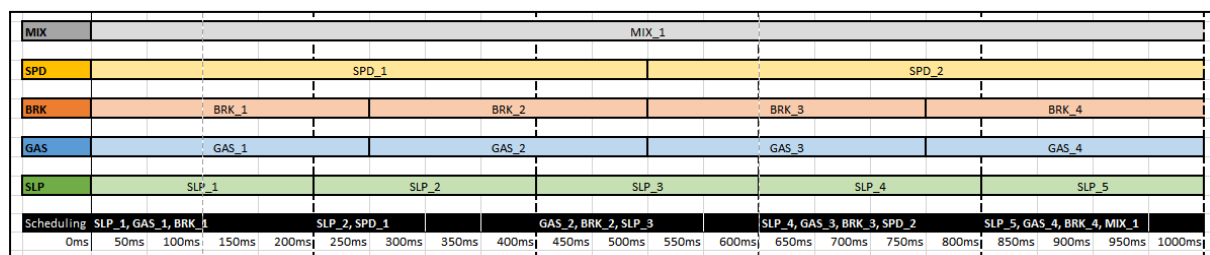


Figure 2: task scheduling, section A, wagon controller

Main controller (Raspberry Pi)

Functions implemented

task_speed()

Send a request asking for the speed, receive it back and display it.

task_slope()

Send a request asking for the slope, receive it back and display it.

task_brake()

Compute if the brake must be on/off, send the request depending on the computation result and display it. The computation compares if the speed is below or above the speed, and if it's slowing or accelerating (going up or down).

task_accelerator()

Compute if the accelerator must be on/off, send the request depending on the computation result and display it. The computation compares if the speed is below or above the speed, and if it's slowing or accelerating (going up or down).

task_mixer()

Compare how much time the mixer has been off or on and if necessary to change it, send the request and display it.

Scheduling

Task						
Description	Symbol	P (sec)	C (sec)			
Turn on/off accelerator	AC	10	0,9			
Turn on/off brake	BR	10	0,9		Main cycle	30 sec
Turn on/off mixer	MX	15	0,9		Secondary cy	5 secs
Read slope	SLP	10	0,9		Usage	21/50
Read speed	SPD	10	0,9			

Figure 3: task information, section A, Raspberry Pi controller

MX	MX_1		MX_2	
SPD	SPD_1	SPD_2	SPD_3	
BR	BR_1	BR_2	BR_3	
AC	AC_1	AC_2	AC_3	
SLP	SLP_1	SLP_2	SLP_3	
Scheduling	SPL_1 AC_1 MX_1	BR_1 SPD_1	SPL_2 AC_2	BR_2 SPD_2 MX_2
			SPL_3 AC_3	BR_3 SPD_3
	0s	5s	10s	15s
			20s	25s
				30s

Figure 4: task scheduling, section A, Raspberry Pi controller

Section B

Wagon controller (Arduino)

Functions implemented

light_request()

Proces a "LIT" request, reads the luminosity sensor, then sends the response.

lamp_request()

Process a "LAM" request. Switches the lamp sensor and finally sends the response back to the main controller.

switchLamp(int status)

Switches the lamp on or off according to the status specified in the parameters

Scheduling

For section B new tasks were added to the system, therefore the scheduling needs to be planned again. The new tasks are placed in between the previous tasks: not the biggest frequency, nor the smaller. The reason is that the lamps and sensors are not critical for speed control, that is our main goal in this mode.

The scheduling design is detailed in figures 5 and 6.

Task					
Description	Symbol	T/D (ms)	C (μs)		
Read slope	SLP	200	180		
Control gas	GAS	250	52	Main cycle	1000ms
Control Brake	BRK	250	12	Secondary cycle	200 ms
read light sensor	LIT	500	12	Usage	<1%
control lamps	LAM	500	12		
Read speed	SPD	500	12		
Control mixer	MIX	1000	12		

Figure 5: tasks information, section B, wagon controller

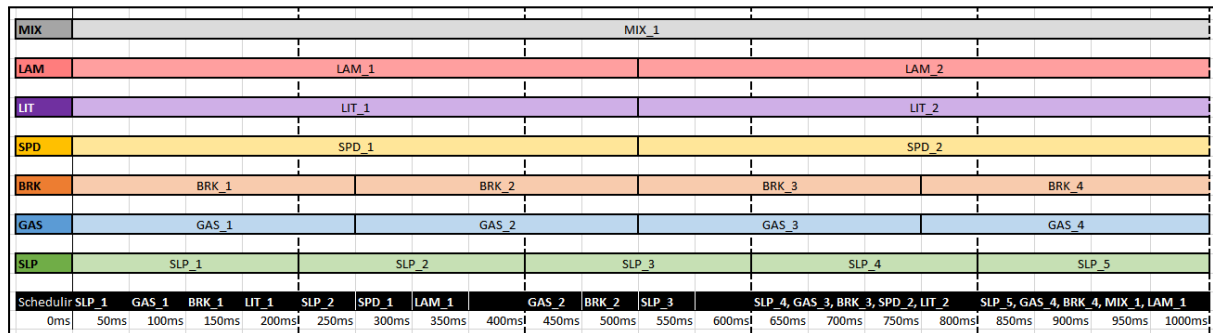


Figure 6: task scheduling, section B, wagon controller

Main controller (Raspberry Pi)

Functions implemented

task_light()

Send a request asking for the light sensor, receive the response and display it.

task_lamps()

Turn off or on the lamps depending if we are in a dark zone (light below 50%) or not.

Scheduling

Task					
Description	Symbol	P (sec)	C (sec)		
Turn on/off accelerator	AC	10	0,9		
Turn on/off brake	BR	10	0,9		
Turn on/off mixer	MX	15	0,9	Main cycle	30 sec
Turn on/off lamps	LAM	6	0,9	Secondary cycle	6 secs
Read light sensor	LIT	6	0,9	Usage	0,72
Read slope	SLP	10	0,9		
Read speed	SPD	10	0,9		

Figure 7: task information, section B, Raspberry Pi controller

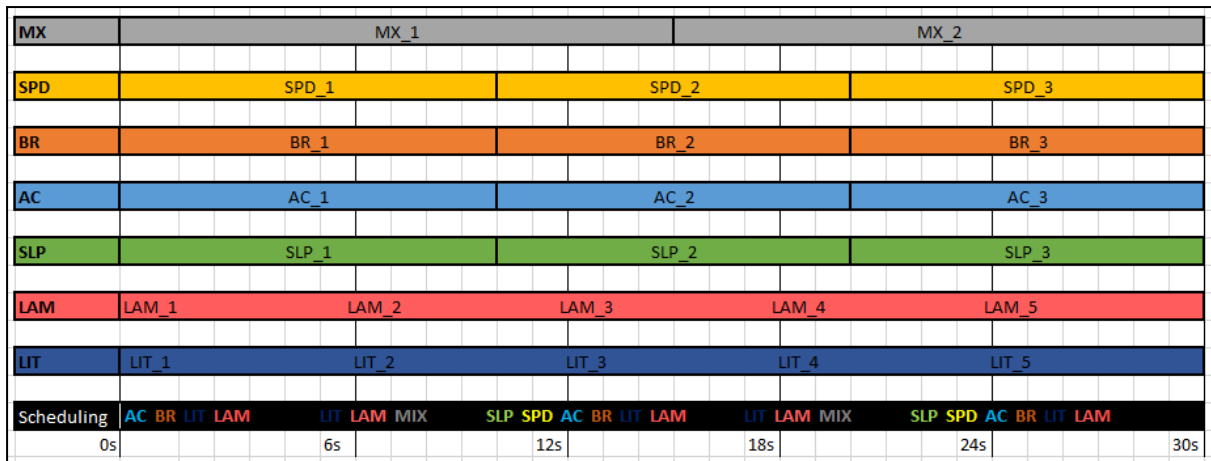


Figure 8: task scheduling, section B, Raspberry Pi controller

Section C

Wagon controller (Arduino)

Functions implemented

Scheduling

Several new tasks are added in this section. Additionally 3 operation modes are defined. Each operation mode has different requirements, so that the scheduling is adjusted to meet those requirements.

Task			
Description	Symbol	T/D (ms)	C (µs)
Read slope	SLP	200	180
Control gas	GAS	250	52
Control Brake	BRK	250	12
read light sensor	LIT	500	12
control lamps	LAM	500	12
Read speed	SPD	500	12
distance selection	DST	500	12
validate distance	VAL	500	12
Control mixer	MIX	1000	12
display distance	DISP	1000	48
Main cycle	1000ms		
Secondary cycle	200 ms		
Usage	<1%		

Figure 9: tasks information, section C, distance mode, wagon controller

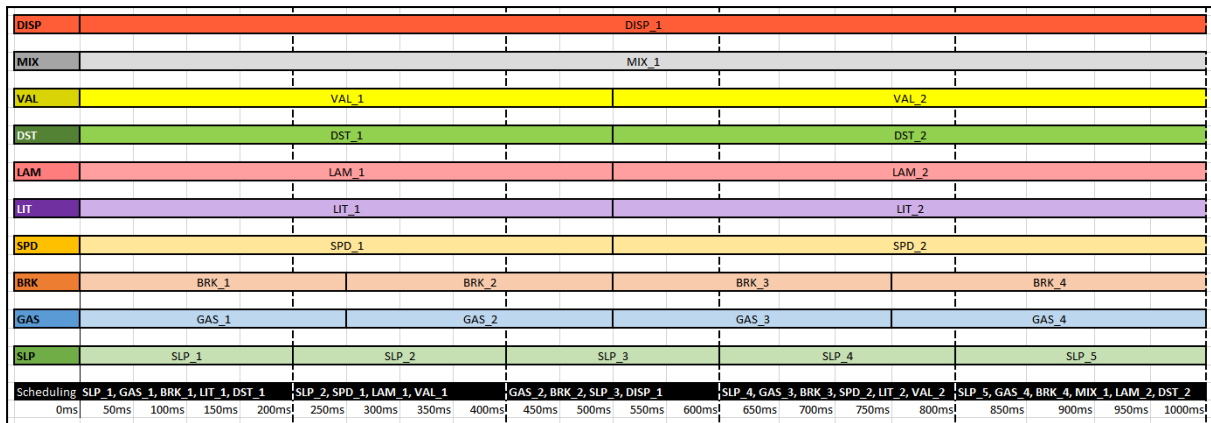


Figure 10: tasks scheduling, section C, distance mode, wagon controller

Task			
Description	Symbol	T/D (ms)	C (μs)
Read slope	SLP	200	180
Control gas	GAS	↓100	52
Control Brake	BRK	↓100	12
read light sensor	LIT	500	12
control lamps	LAM	500	12
Read speed	SPD	↓200	12
Control mixer	MIX	1000	12
display distance	DISP	1000	48
Main cycle	1000ms		
Secondary cycle	100 ms		
Usage	<1%		

Figure 11: tasks information, section C, approach mode, wagon controller

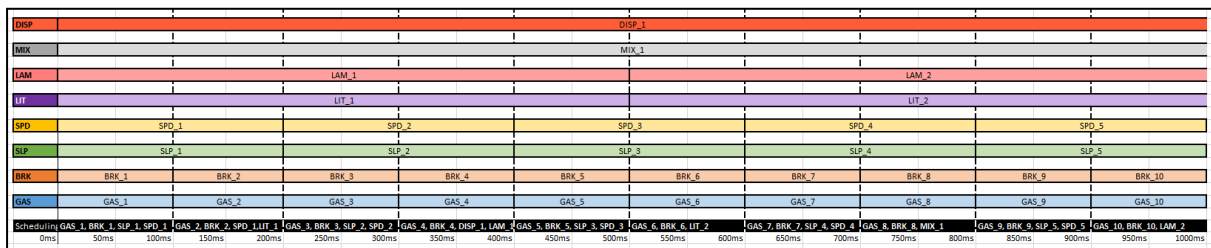


Figure 12: tasks scheduling, section C, approach mode, wagon controller

For the approach mode, the tasks related to the accelerometer, the brake and the speed computation have their frequencies doubled. To meet the new Deadlines, a shorter Secondary Cycle is defined: 100ms. The frequency of the slope task is reduced as well in order to give more space for the speed control tasks.

Task			
Description	Symbol	T/D (ms)	C (μs)
Read end of stop	STP	200	12
Read slope	SLP	↑250	180
Control gas	GAS	250	52
Control Brake	BRK	250	12
read light sensor	LIT	500	12
control lamps	LAM	500	12
Read speed	SPD	500	12
Control mixer	MIX	1000	12
Main cycle	1000ms		
Secondary cycle	200 ms		
Usage	<1%		

Figure 13: tasks information, section C, stop mode, wagon controller

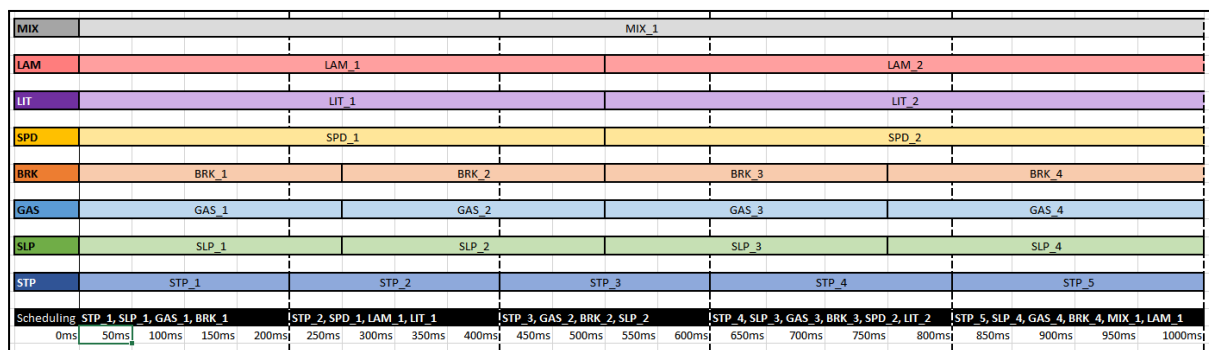


Figure 14: tasks scheduling, section C, stop mode, wagon controller

Main controller (Raspberry Pi)

Functions implemented

task_distance()

Send a request asking for the distance to the next download location, compute if we are still far enough or we need to start braking (change to braking mode), or if we are already on the download location and we have to stop (change to stop mode)

task_load()

Send a request to check if the download is complete and check if the execution mode can be changed to normal mode again.

Also some of the previously implemented functions are changed as the functionalities change depending on the execution mode we are in.

task_accelerator() and *task_break()* have different speed target depending on the execution mode

task_lamps() change depending on execution mode too, as in braking and stop mode, lamps are on all the time.

Scheduling

Normal mode

Task			
Description	Symbol	P (sec)	C (sec)
Turn on/off accelerator	AC	10	0,9
Turn on/off brake	BR	10	0,9
Turn on/off mixer	MX	15	0,9
Turn on/off lamps	LAM	6	0,9
Read light sensor	LIT	6	0,9
Read distance	DST	10	0,9
Read slope	SLP	10	0,9
Read speed	SPD	10	0,9
SLP > AC > BR > SPD			
Main cycle =	30 sec		
Secondary cycle =	6 secs		
Usage	0,81		

Figure 15: task information, section C, normal mode Raspberry Pi controller

MX	MX_1				MX_2			
DST	DST_1				DST_2			
SPD	SPD_1				SPD_2			
BR	BR_1				BR_2			
AC	AC_1				AC_2			
SLP	SLP_1				SLP_2			
LAM	LAM_1		LAM_2		LAM_3		LAM_4	
LIT	LIT_1		LIT_2		LIT_3		LIT_4	
Scheduling	SLP	SPD	AC	BR	LIT	LAM	DST	LIT
0s								
6s								
12s								
18s								
24s								
30s								

Figure 16: task scheduling, section C, normal mode, Raspberry Pi controller

Braking mode

Task			
Description	Symbol	P (sec)	C (sec)
Turn on/off accelerator	AC	5	0,9
Turn on/off brake	BR	5	0,9
Turn on/off mixer	MX	15	0,9
Turn on/off lamps	LAM	30	0,9
Read distance	DST	10	0,9
Read slope	SLP	10	0,9
Read speed	SPD	10	0,9
Main cycle =	30 sec		
Secondary cycle =	5 sec		
Usage	0,81		

Figure 17: task information, section C, braking mode Raspberry Pi controller

MX	MX_1				MX_2			
DST	DST_1			DST_2		DST_3		
SPD	SPD_1			SPD_2		SPD_3		
BR	BR_1	BR_2	BR_3	BR_4	BR_5	BR_6		
AC	AC_1	AC_2	AC_3	AC_4	AC_5	AC_6		
SLP	SLP_1			SLP_2		SLP_3		
LAM	LAM_1							
Scheduling	DST SPD SLP BR AC	LAM BR AC MX	DST SPD SLP BR AC	BR AC MX	DST SPD SLP BR AC	BR AC		
0s	5s	10s	15s	20s	25s	30s		

Figure 18: task scheduling, section C, braking mode, Raspberry Pi controller

Stop mode

Task			
Description	Symbol	P (sec)	C (sec)
Turn on/off mixer	MX	15	0,9
Turn on/off lamps	LAM	5	0,9
Read loading sensor	LD	5	0,9
Main cycle =	30 sec		
Secondary cycle =	5 sec		
Usage	0,81		

Figure 19: task information, section C, stop mode Raspberry Pi controller

MX	MX_1		
LD	LD_1	LD_2	LD_3
LAM	LAM_1	LAM_2	LAM_3
Scheduling	LAM LD MX	LAM LD	LAM LD
0s	5s	10s	15s

Figure 20: task scheduling, section C, stop mode, Raspberry Pi controller

Section D

Wagon controller (Arduino)

