Exercise Sheet 8
(14 Punkte)

Exercise Due at Wednesday, July 3, 2019, 12:00 Uhr

Hinweise: Gruppenarbeit von bis zu drei Personen aus der gleichen Übungsgruppe ist möglich. Bitte vergessen Sie nicht Ihre Namen und Ihre Matrikelnummern auf die Lösung zu schreiben. **Die Abgaben können in den beschrifteten Briefkasten vor dem Sekretariat des LS12 (OH16/E22) eingeworfen oder per Mail (PDF Format) an georg.von-der-brueggen [☺] tu-dortmund.de gesendet werden.**

Note: It is allowed to work in a group of up to three persons, if these persons are from the same practice group. Please do not forget to write your name and your Matrikelnummer on the solutions. **The solutions can either be placed in the marked mailbox in front of the secretary's office of LS 12 (OH16/E22) or sent by mail (PDF format) to georg.von-der-brueggen [☺] tu-dortmund.de**

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Do, 14:15 - 15:45   OH16/E18

8.1 TDMA (2 Punkte)

Suppose that we use a TDMA (time division multiple access) protocol on a bus to communicate among different processors. The TDMA cycle is 6 time units. Processor 1 is allocated with 3 time units in a TDMA cycle. Suppose that we are given the following 3 sporadic real-time tasks with implicit deadlines on processor 1. (Here, we ignore the computation part of the tasks.) The communication time for each task is defined as C_i. Assume the communication channel is preemptable.

	τ_1	τ_2	τ_3
C_i	1	2	3
T_i	8	12	20

- Can we feasibly schedule the above task sets under RM within the TDMA?

- Suppose that C_s is the slot length of the TDMA assigned to processor 1 and T_s is the TDMA cycle length. What is the sufficient schedulability condition of a fixed-priority scheduling within a given TDMA assignment?

Hint: 1+1

8.2 Challenge: Utilization Bound of TDMA + RM (1 Punkt)

The hierarchical scheduling policy uses different strategies in different level for scheduling. For example, Question 11.3 uses TDMA in the top level and fixed-priority scheduling in the bottom level. Suppose that C_s is the slot length of the TDMA assigned to processor 1 and T_s is the TDMA cycle length. The given tasks are ordered with RM ordering, in which $T_i \leq T_{i+1}$ for all task τ_i. Moreover, we assume that $T_s \leq T_1$. Prove/explain that the sufficient schedulability test of task τ_k of TDMA+RM in Question 11.3 is

$$\prod_{i=1}^{k}(U_i+1) \leq \frac{2}{2-\frac{C_s}{T_s}}.$$

Hint: Image that we create a virtual task τ_0 with the highest priority, in which $T_0 = T_s$ and $C_0 = T_s - C_s$.

8.3 Multiprocessor Scheduling (4 Punkte)

1. Explain and compare Partitioned, Semi-Partitioned, and Global multiprocessor scheduling for sporadic real-time tasks. What are the corresponding advantages and disadvantages?

2. Explain the Makespan problem and the Bin Packing problem. What are their connections to the multiprocessor partitioned scheduling problem for sporadic real-time tasks with implicit deadlines?

3. Mr. Smart wants to define the monotonicity of the largest utilization first (LUF) algorithm. He has two options in his mind:

   - If LUF derives a feasible task partition (with respect to schedulability under EDF) for an input task set, LUF also gives a feasible task partition if the execution time of certain task is reduced.

   - If LUF derives a feasible task partition for an input task set, the resulting task partition remains feasible (with respect to schedulability under EDF) if the execution time of certain task is reduced.

   Help him clarify the correctness of these statements.

4. Mr. Smart wants to decide the number of processors he needs to schedule a set of sporadic real-time tasks with implicit deadlines. He tries to use Global EDF and Global RM. The total utilization $\sum_{\tau_i} \frac{C_i}{T_i}$ of the given task set is a constant. But, no matter how many processors he adds (less than the number of tasks), he can always find an execution pattern that is not schedulable under Global EDF or Global RM. Give an example of such a set of tasks. (**Hint:** Dhall's effect.)

Hint: 1+1+1+1

8.4 Hyperbolic-Bound for Task Assignment (3 Punkte)

Implicit-Deadline Task Partitioning: Task partitioning on M identical multiprocessor systems for rate-monotonic scheduling (implicit-deadline sporadic tasks) can be done by using the hyperbolic bound $\Pi_{\tau_i \in \mathcal{T}_m}(U_i + 1) \leq 2$, where $\mathcal{T}_m$ is the set of tasks assigned on processor m.

- Describe a task partitioning algorithm by extending the LUF algorithm in the lecture and using the hyperbolic bound to decide whether a task can be assigned on a processor m.

- Explain the condition

$$(U_k + 1)^M \Pi_{i<k}(U_i + 1) > 2^M$$

of failure of the above algorithm when assigning task τ_k on M processors, in which the task assignment starts from a predefined order $\tau_1, \tau_2, \ldots, \tau_k$.

- Explain that the speed-up factor of the above algorithm is 2.668 when k is sufficiently large. (*Hint: the solution x for the following equation $(1 + 1/x) \cdot e^{1/x} - 2 = 0$ is about 2.668, where e is Euler's number. The factor 2.414 can be achieved if the tasks are sorted according to their utilizations (non-increasingly).*)

Hint: 1+1+1

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8.5 Semi-Partitioned Scheduling (3 Punkte)

Mr. Smart designs a semi-partitioned scheduling algorithm for sporadic real-time tasks $\mathcal{T}$ on two processors as follows:

- The first processor handles at most $C_{i,1}$ amount of execution time for task τ_i.

- The second processor handles at most $C_{i,2}$ amount of execution time for task τ_i.

- $C_{i,1} + C_{i,2}$ is the worst-case execution time for task τ_i.

- The system has a static priority ordering for executing tasks on the first processor, and also a static priority ordering for executing tasks on the second processor.

- The scheduling algorithm migrates the tasks as follows: when the first processor executes τ_i for $C_{i,1}$ amount of time, the remaining computation is *immediately* passed to and handled by the second processor under the static-priority scheduling.

- *Mr. Smart claims that the worst-case response time for τ_i in the above algorithm is $R_{i,1} + R_{i,2}$ if $R_{i,1} + R_{i,2} \leq T_i$, where*

  - $R_{i,1}$: $\min 0 < t \leq T_i$, $\qquad C_{i,1} + \sum_{j \in hp_1(i)} \left\lceil \frac{t}{T_j} \right\rceil C_{j,1}$

  - $R_{i,2}$: $\min 0 < t \leq T_i$, $\qquad C_{i,2} + \sum_{j \in hp_2(i)} \left\lceil \frac{t}{T_j} \right\rceil C_{j,2}$

  - $hp_1(i)$ ($hp_2(i)$, respectively) is the set of tasks that have higher priority than τ_i on the first (second, respectively) processor.

- Is his claim correct? Why or why not? If not, how can we fix it (either the scheduling algorithm or the worst-case response time analysis)?

8.6 Challenge on Partitioned Multiprocessor Scheduling (1 Punkt)

Mr. Smart claims the following statement when considering task partitioning in identical multiprocessor systems: "If there exists a polynomial-time algorithm A which guarantees an augmentation factor for using at most ρ times processors, this algorithm can be converted to a polynomial-time algorithm with a speed-up factor $\lceil \rho \rceil$." Is he correct? Explain your support or disprove the argument.

General Hints: