Markov Decision Process for Mixed Criticality Probabilistic Real-Time System Jasdeep Singh, Zhishan Guo, Luca Santinelli, Guillaume Infantes, David Doose, Julien Brunel

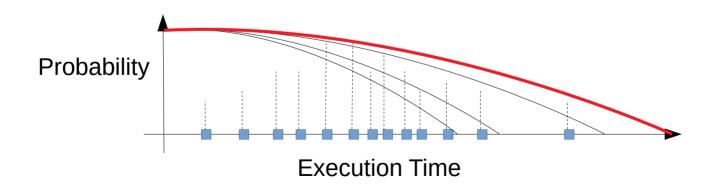


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Probabilistic Real-Time System

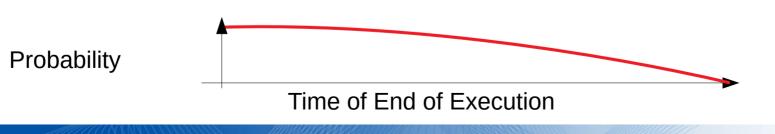
- pRTS: A real-time system with at least one property is probabilistically defined
- pWCET: Probabilistic Worst Case Response Time





Given System

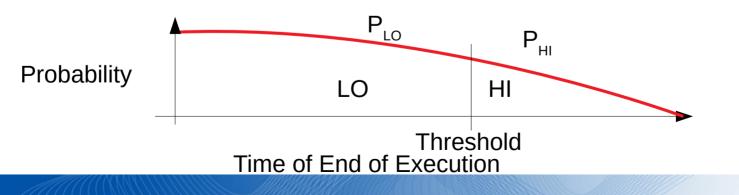
- pRTS:
 - HI and LO Tasks with pWCET, periods and deadlines
 - Scheduling policy, preemptive, jobs aborted at deadline
- Schedulability Analysis (done seperately):
 - Probabilistic Worst Case Response Time (pWCRT) for each job in the hyperperiod





Mixed Criticality and Probability

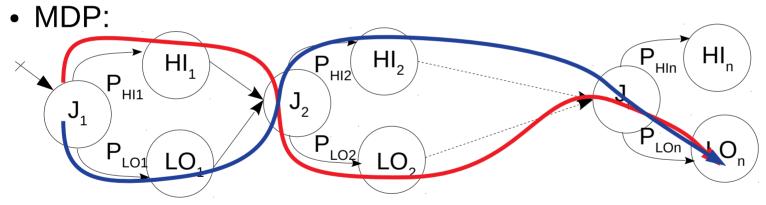
- pRTS has two modes: HI and LO (can be easily extended to multiple modes)
- System criticality defined using job criticality modes
- Job has pWCRT with threshold for criticality





System Criticality Definition

- (k,n): System is in HI criticality mode if at least k out of n HI jobs are in HI mode
 - (1,n) and (n,n) are extreme cases

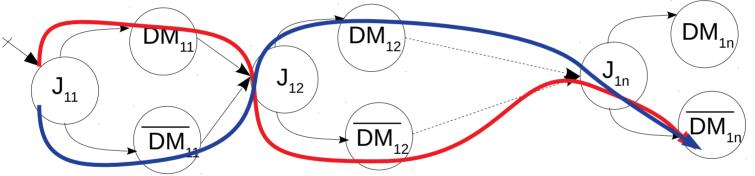


- Using the (k,n) definition, path through the MDP
- Summation of Path Probability: Probability that pRTS enters HI mode, Pr(S->HI)



Task Probability of Deadline Miss

Task misses a deadline if at least one job misses a deadline

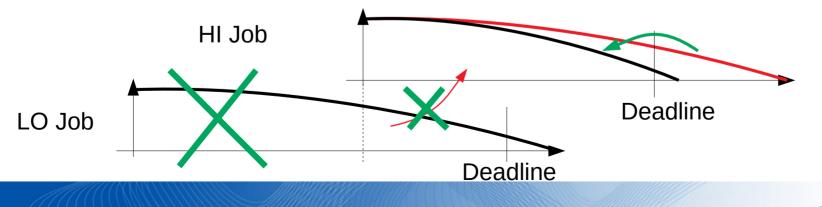


- Using definition, path through the MDP
- We obtain: Probability of deadline miss of a task
- Used to quantify that of HI tasks



Dropping of LO-criticality jobs

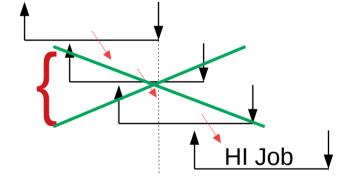
- Imposed Requirement: The probability that a pRTS enters HI criticality mode should not exceed $P^{\rm max}$
- Method proposed performs selective dropping of LO jobs
 - There exists backlog to the HI jobs, from higher priority
 - HI jobs contribute to $Pr(S \rightarrow HI)$
 - Dropping LO jobs reduces the backlog



Method of dropping LO jobs

- Probabilistic backlog always exists to the jobs in pRTS
- Backlog passing forms a chain

- Aim is to cut this chain of backlog
 - Complex to ensure the best point
- Drop overlapping jobs



Ensures an Improvement Because backlog=0

Open Problems for Discussion

- On the use of pWCRT
- Using said method to reduce the probability $P(S \rightarrow HI)$
- Sequential thinking of the approach
 - Dropping LO jobs to reduce probability of entering HI mode will require them to be dropped always
- Probabilistic models provided a global picture but difficult to obtain deterministic answers



THANK YOU

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