Parallel-Task Scheduling on Multiple Resources

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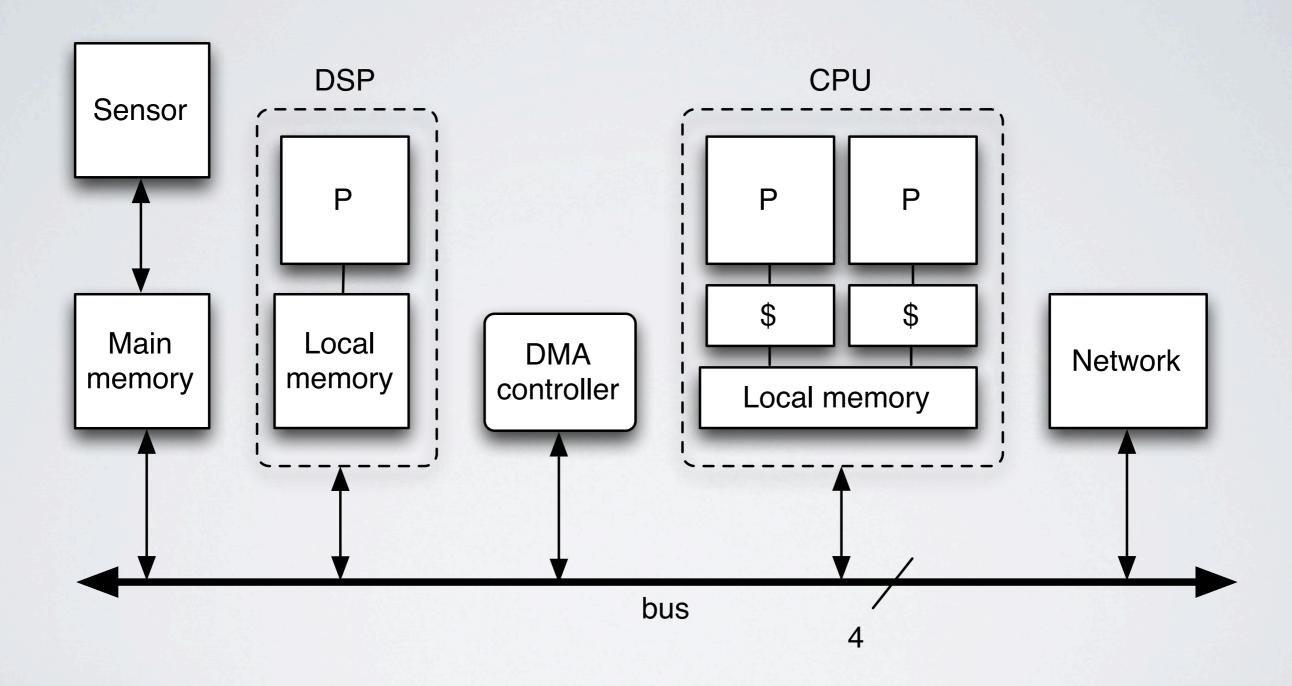


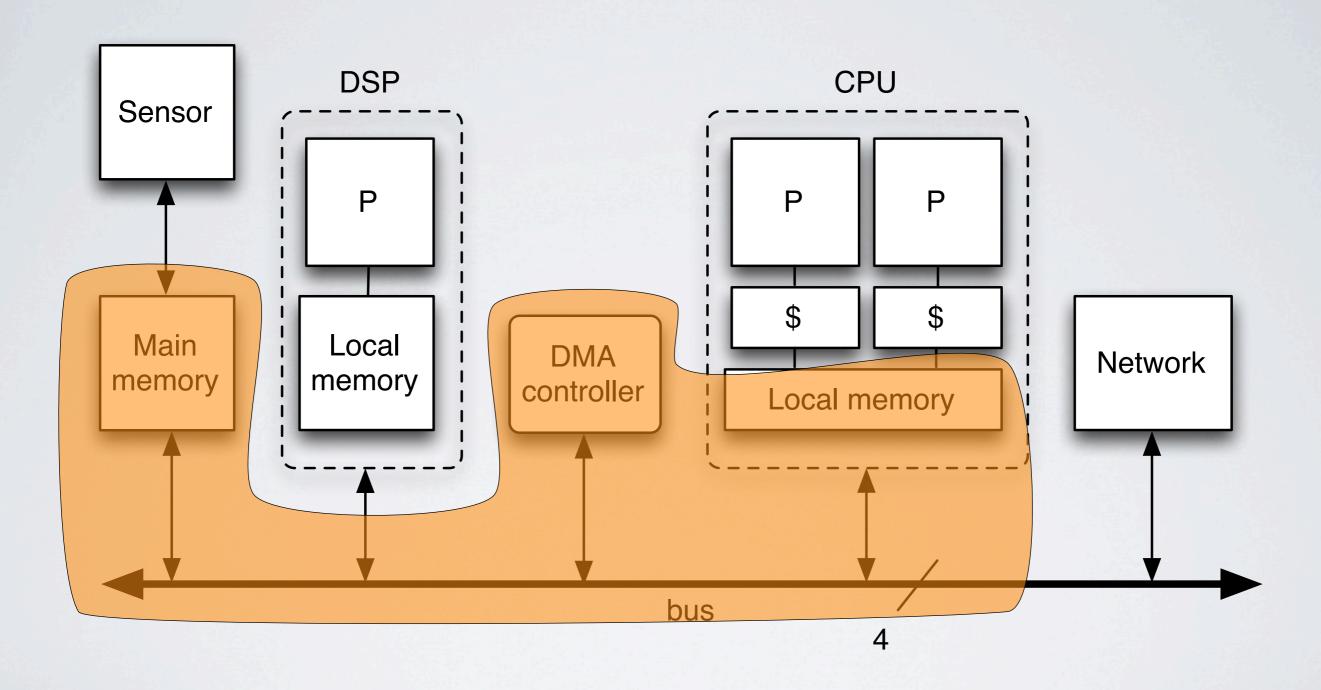


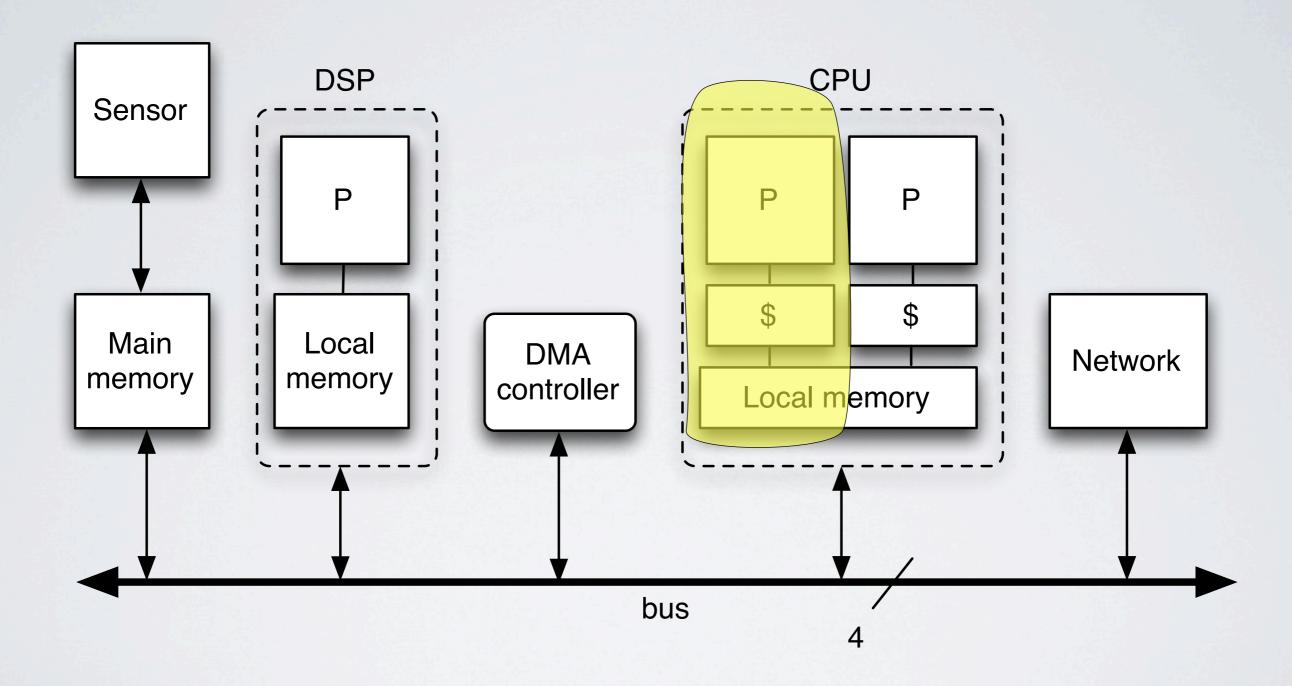


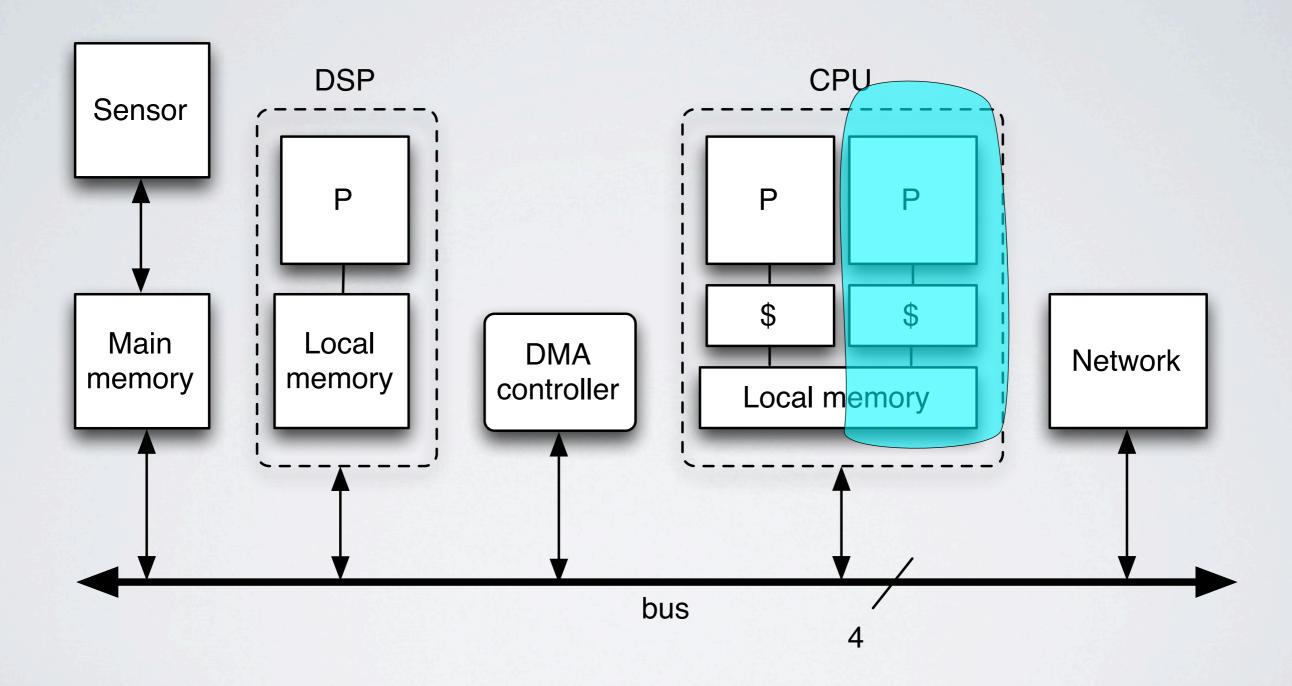


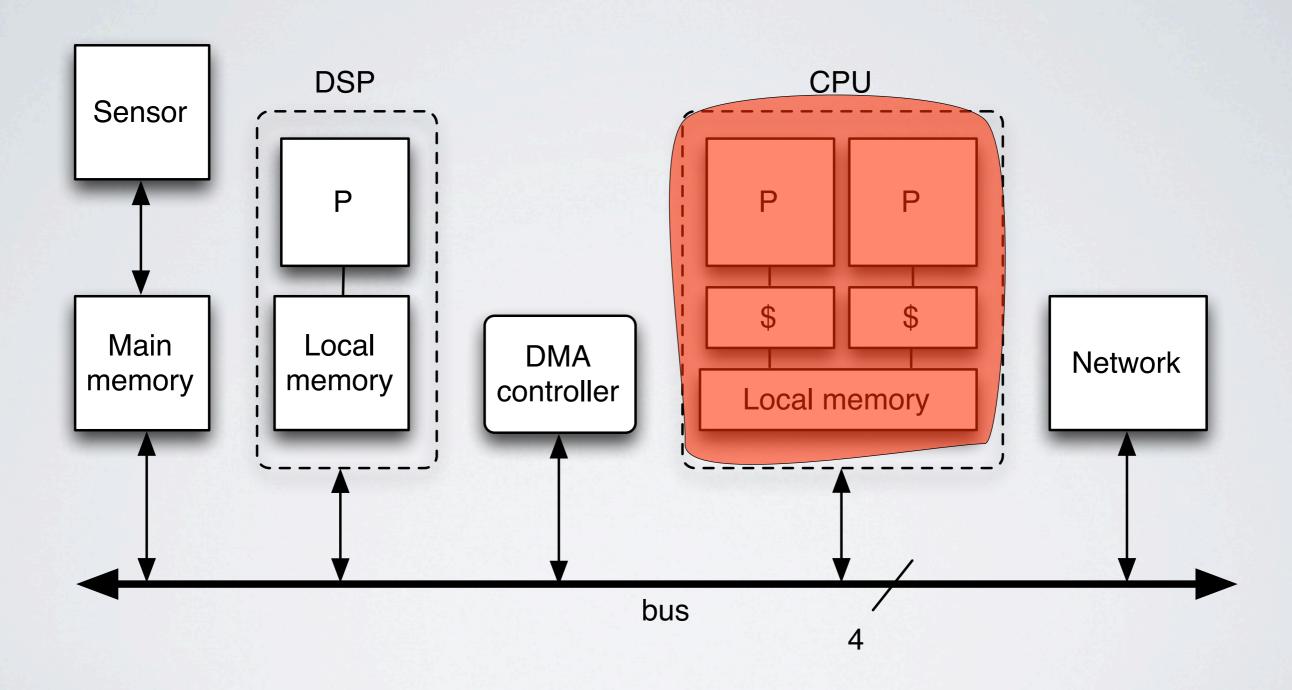


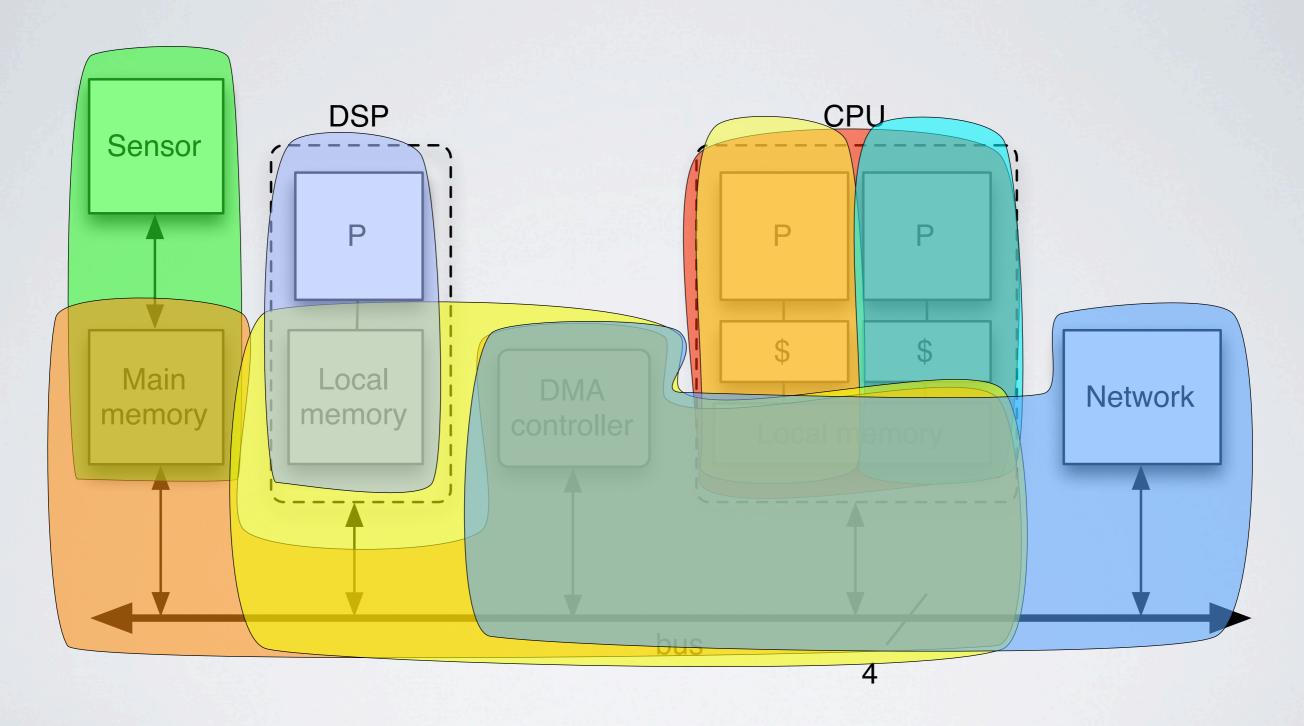












Problem

- Existing synchronization protocols for multiprocessors assume tasks execute on one processor at a time
- Existing parallel-task real-time scheduling algorithms assume independent tasks
- Simple approach of treating the entire platform as a single resource is inefficient

Goal

- Scheduling algorithm for parallel tasks with real-time constraints
- Exploit parallelism on a platform comprised of multiple heterogeneous resources.

Multiple heterogeneous resources

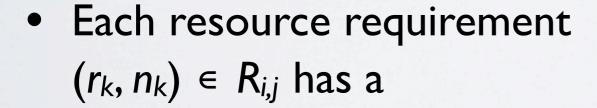
- Each resource consists of multiple units
 - Each unit is a serially accessible entity
 - Each resource has a capacity ≥ I
- Each resource is either preemptive or nonpreemptive
 - Preemption does not corrupt a preemptive resource

Application

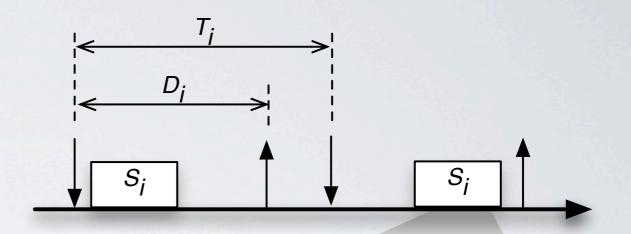
- Each task T_i has a
 - π_i : fixed priority
 - T_i: period
 - D_i :deadline $(D_i \leq T_i)$
 - S_i: sequence of segments

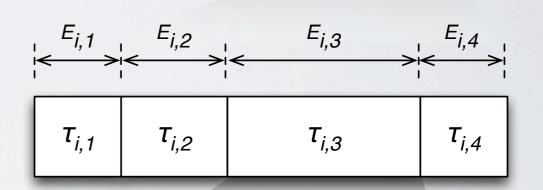


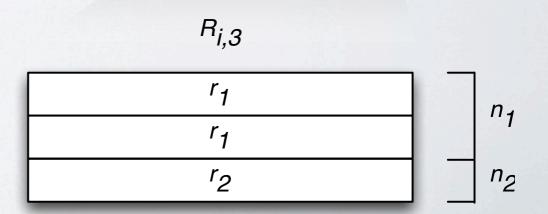
- $E_{i,j}$: worst-case execution time
- $R_{i,j}$: set of resource requirements



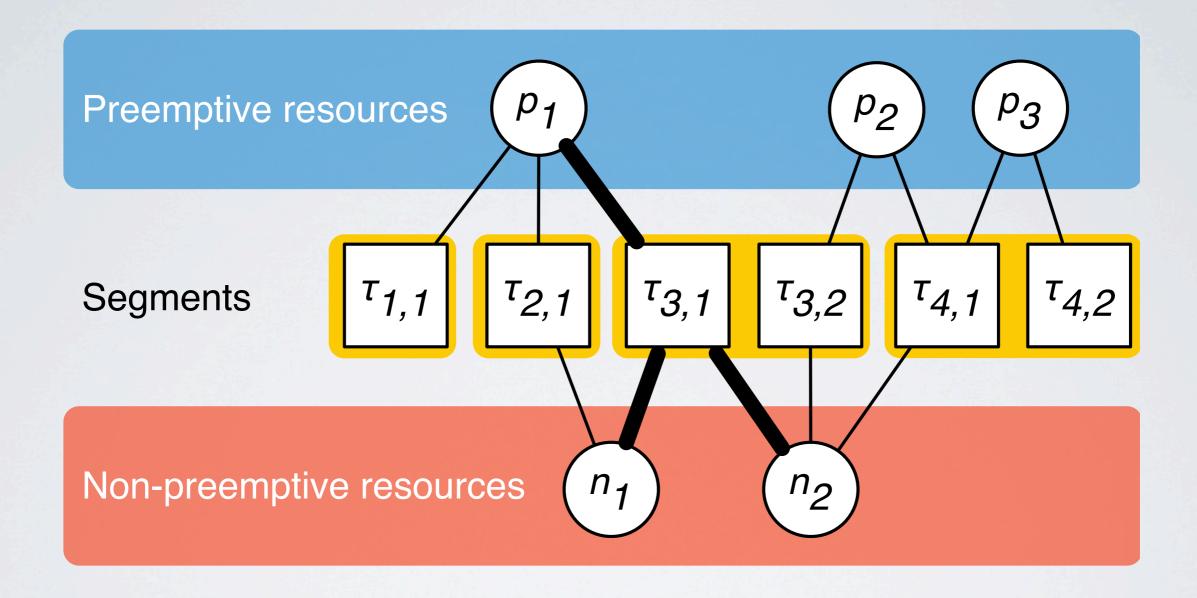
- r_k : required resource
- n_k : number of required units





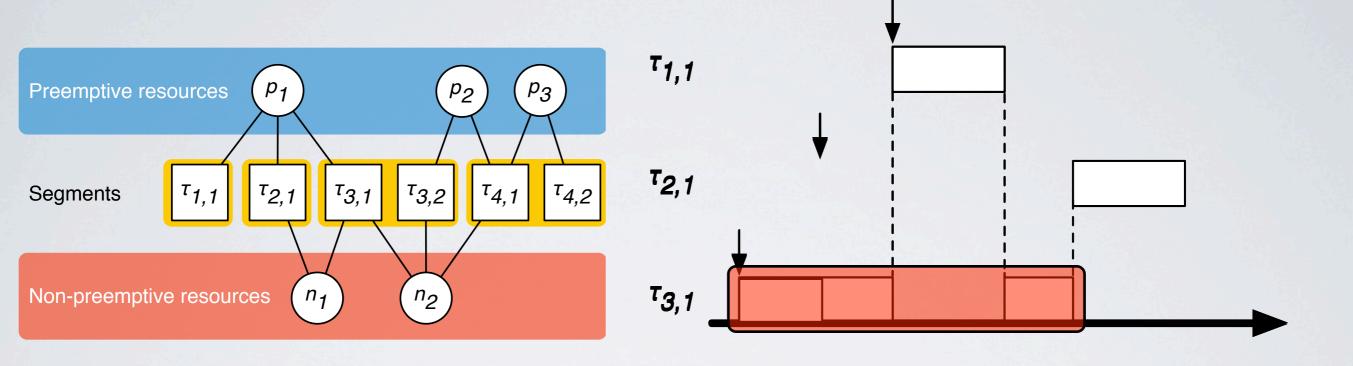


Resource requirements graph

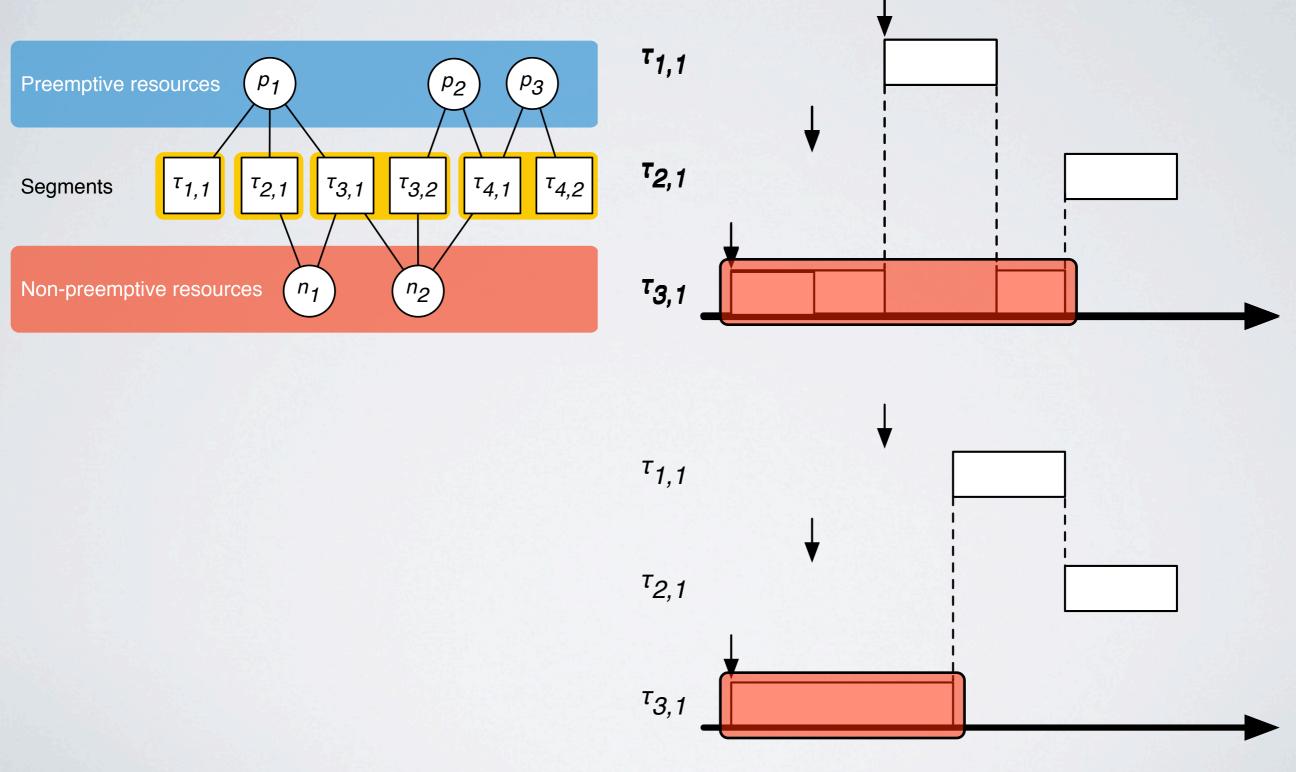


Resources are accessed simultaneously

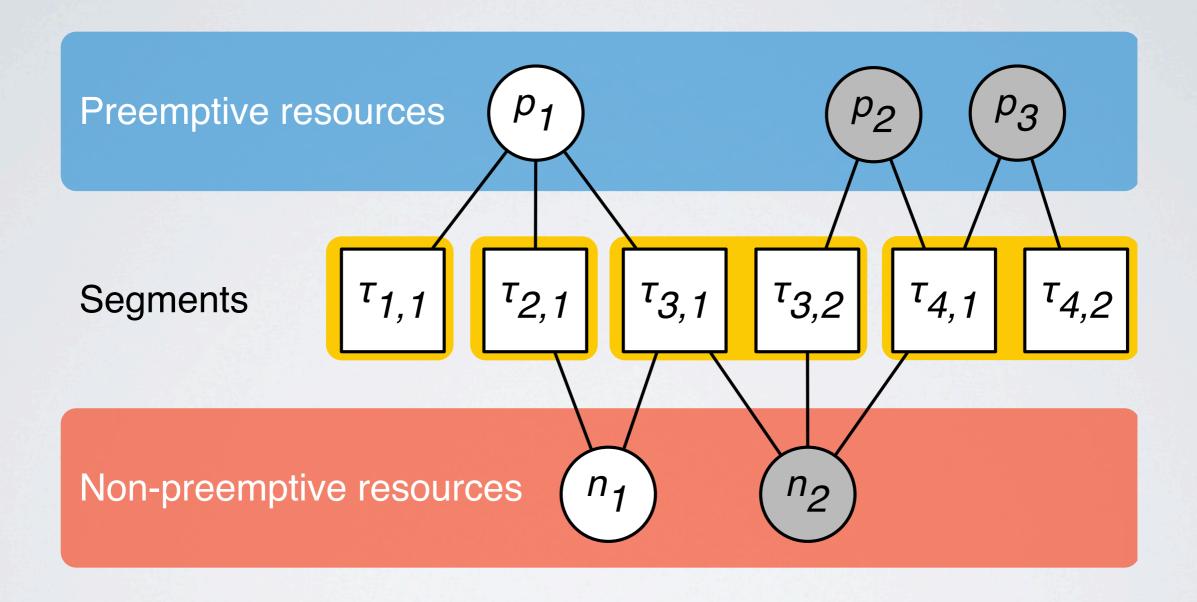
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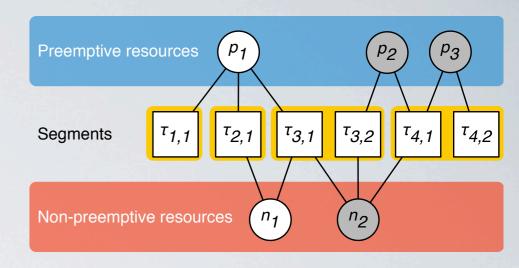


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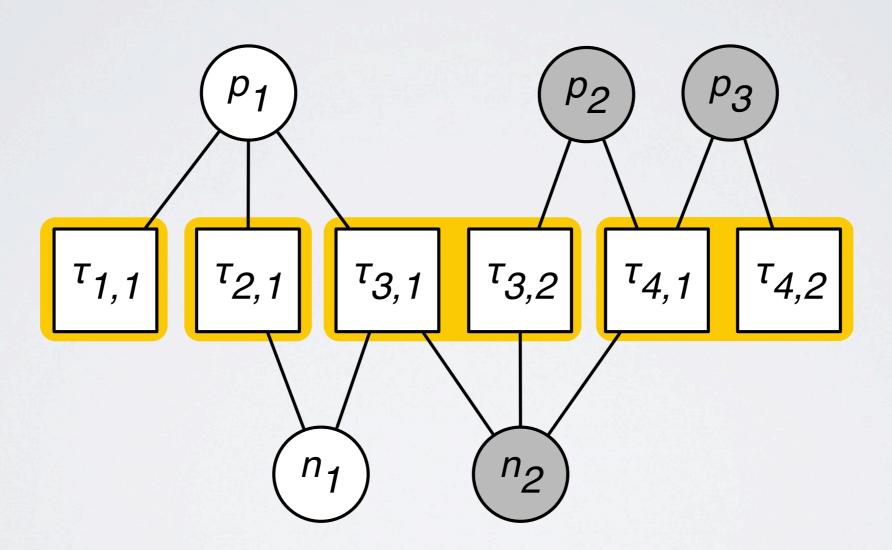
- Local resources
- Global resources

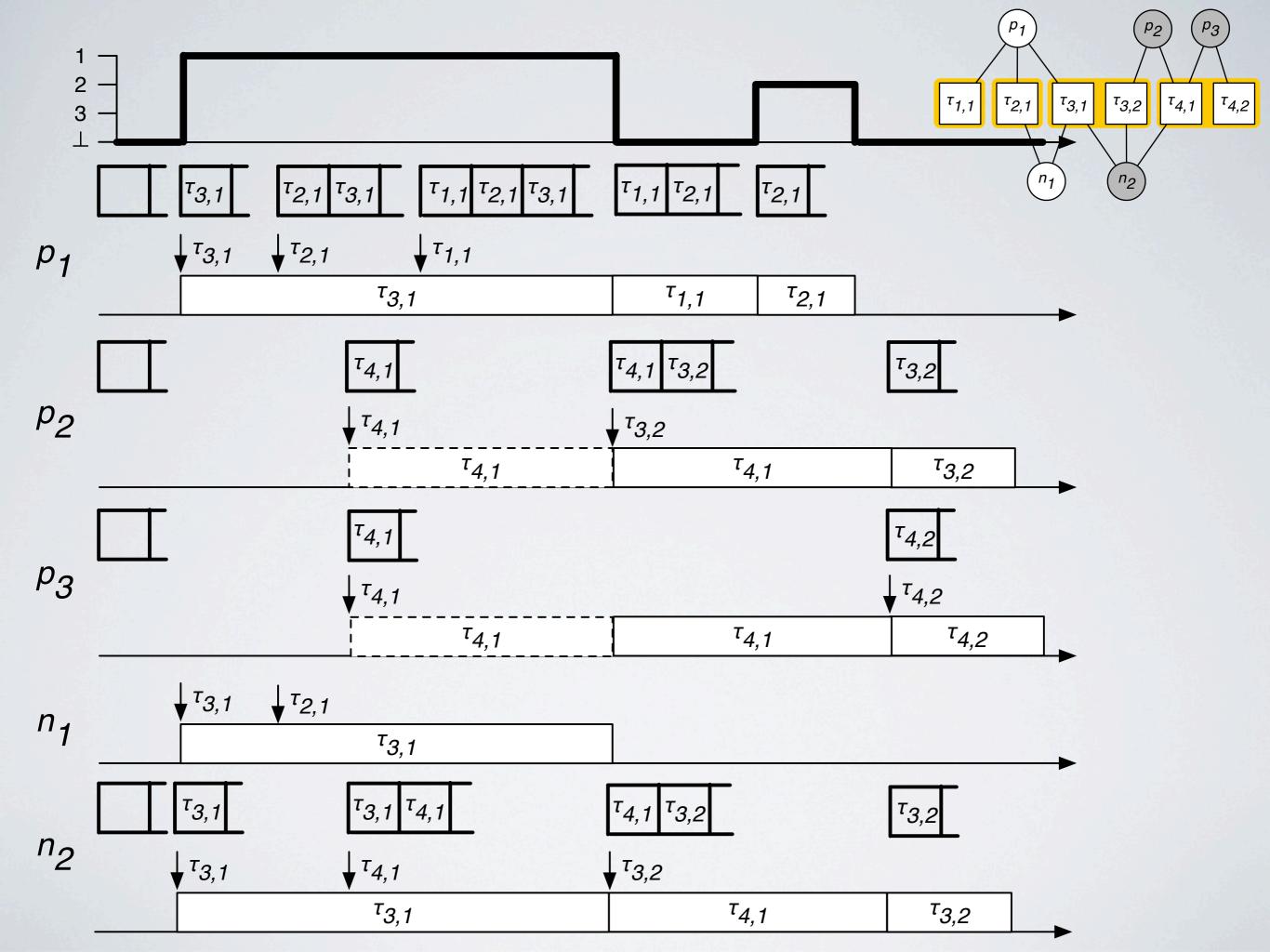
PSRP



- Equip each ...
 - local preemptive resource with a priority queue
 - global resource with a FIFO queue
 - local non-preemptive resource with a ceiling (according to SRP)
 - local preemptive resource with a system ceiling Π_p (according to SRP)
 - global resource with ceiling = highest task priority
- Upon arrival of $T_{i,j}$, it is added atomically to all queues in $R_{i,j}$
- Upon completion of $T_{i,j}$, it is removed from all queues in $R_{i,j}$
- T_{i,j} can start if ...
 - $T_{i,j}$ is at the head of all queues in $R_{i,j}$, and
 - $\pi_i > \pi_p$ for all $p \in R_{i,j}$
- Schedule segments starting from the head of queues, as long as:
 - enough resource units are available, and
 - all other resources required by the segment are available
 - otherwise busy wait (on global resources)

PSRP example





Analysis

- Compute the worst-case response time of each segment
- Worst-case response time of a task =
 Worst-case response time of its last segment
- Analysis is exponential in the number of tasks (for tasks which contain more than one segment)



Conclusions & future work

- √ First scheduling algorithm for
 - partitioned parallel tasks
 - with real-time constraints
 - requiring multiple heterogenous resources
- √ Improved parallelism vs. treating the entire platform as a single resource
- Preemptive resources have capacity = I
- Potentially large delays for high priority tasks
 - Global resource queues are sorted according to FIFO
 - Global resources are scheduled non-preemptively