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Earliest Deadline First

- Algorithm
 - dynamic *task* priorities; job with nearest absolute deadline gets highest priority (*fixed job* priorities)
 - preemptive
 - minimize maximum lateness
 - online algorithm
- Advantages
 - optimal algorithm

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Earliest Deadline First

- Disadvantages
 - needs priority queue for storing deadlines
 - logarithmic access
 - needs dynamic priorities
 - typically no OS support
 - behaves badly under overload
 - less predictable than RMA (which tasks will miss deadlines ?)
 - a jobs that missed its deadline is allowed to continue (causing a domino-effect of missed deadlines)
 - difficult to handle relative importance
 - critical next to non-critical applications

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EDF (cnt'd)

- Schedulability
 - $U^*(EDF) = 1$, i.e. EDF can schedule a set Z of tasks if and only if $U \leq 1$.
- Proof (see book Buttazzo):
 - $U > 1$: "obvious"
 - $U \leq 1$: by means of a contradiction argument; see next slide

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$U^*(EDF) = 1$

- Suppose not –
 - task set with $U \leq 1$ and not schedulable by EDF
- Choose $[t_1, t_2]$
 - at t_2 overflow occurs
 - t_1 such that:
 - from t_1 onwards continuous utilization ...
 - ...by instances with $[est, dl]$ entirely in $[t_1, t_2]$ (EDF!)
 - hence t_1 is release time of some instance
 - and job experiencing the overload is released in $[t_1, t_2]$
- Define $C_p(t_1, t_2) = (\sum_j, i: t_1 \leq est_{j,i}, dl_{j,i} \leq t_2: C_j)$
 - the total amount of computation in $[t_1, t_2]$



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$U^*(EDF) = 1$

- $C_p(t_1, t_2) = \sum_j \lfloor (t_2 - t_1 - \varphi'_j) / T_j \rfloor C_j$
 $\leq \sum_j \lfloor (t_2 - t_1) / T_j \rfloor C_j$
 $\leq \sum_j ((t_2 - t_1) / T_j) C_j$
 $\leq (t_2 - t_1) U$
- Overflow at t_2 , hence: $(t_2 - t_1) < C_p(t_1, t_2)$
- Therefore $(t_2 - t_1) < (t_2 - t_1) U$, and $U > 1$.

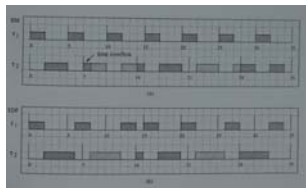
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EDF (cnt'd)

- Worst-case response times for EDF ?
 - Not needed for (simple) schedulability analysis;
 - not treated in this course; see [Spuri 96].
- Optimality (w.r.t. utilization):
 - EDF is optimal among all dynamic priority preemptive algorithms;
 - EDF is an optimal algorithm.

Example for RMA and EDF

- $C_1 = 2, T_1 = 5, C_2 = 4, T_2 = 7$;
- $U = 2/5 + 4/7 = 34/35 \approx 0.97$
- Schedulable under EDF, not under RMA.
- Number of preemptions of task 2:
 - RMA: 5;
 - EDF: 1 !



References

- [Spuri 96] M. Spuri, *Analysis of Deadline Scheduled Real-Time Systems*, INRIA Report 2772, January 1996.
