

# ERC32 Products Day

# SPACEBEL Informatique Tools

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Commercial Availability

Target Simulator



*Schedulability Analyser*



*Scheduler Simulator*

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# The Hard Real-Time Toolset

- A **Schedulability Analyser** that provides an assessment of the schedulability of a task set
- A **Scheduler Simulator** that provides a textual and graphical representation of scheduling behaviour
- ADA Compilation System that compiles ADA 83 programs that conforms to Hard Real Time
- ADA Runtime System that provides ADA 83 Runtime support
- A Worst Case Execution Time Estimator that provides a high level description of execution profiles and task interactions

# Schedulability Analyser - Goals

- Verification that the real-time temporal characteristics of an ADA task set are attainable
  - Deadlines are achievable or not achievable
- Verification is analytic and takes place before execution
  - Provision of a complete assessment of Schedulability
- Product constraints
  - Minimisation of pessimism
  - Configurability

# Task Scheduling Analysis

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- Worst Case Response time - the longest time required by a task to respond after its release
  - Schedulability - the principal result
- Worst Case Computation time - the maximum processor time required to execute a task
- Maximum blocking time - the maximum time a Task may be blocked due to another Task accessing shared resources
- Margin of sensitivity - the latitude involved in Schedulability
- Utilisation factors

# The Application Model- Entities

- Tasks
  - Task Classification
    - Cyclic tasks - fixed time intervals
    - Sporadic tasks - random condition for release - minimum interval time
    - Interrupt Sporadic task
  - Protected Objects (Critical Region)
    - Resource Object - data exchanged
    - Synchronisation Object - release of other threads

# The Application Model - Tasks

## Task Characteristics

- **Deadline**
  - The maximum allowable time from a thread release to its completion
- **Periodicity/Inter-arrival time**
- **Criticality**
  - Hard, Soft, Non-critical
- **Task Profile - Worst Case Execution Path**
  - Worst Case Execution Time Statements
  - Worst Case Computation Time
  - Blocking

# The Computation Model

- Defined to support Scheduling Theory
  - Priority Pre-emptive Scheduling
  - Deadline Monotonic Scheduling
  - Arbitrary Deadline Scheduling
  - Blocking Protocols for Protected Objects
    - Immediate Priority Ceiling Inheritance - IPCI
    - Inhibit Interrupts - INHIB
    - No System Deadlocks
- Determinism in runtime interactions
  - Deterministic Blocking Times
- The Logical view of the ADA Runtime Kernel

# Schedulability Analyser Output

Sch	Th#	Criticality	Deadline	Prio	WCCT FR	WCCT SR	Period	Response Time	Blocking Time	Blocking Origin	Utilisation Factor	Margin Analysis
yes	5	INTERRUPT	600	123	111	N/A	1000	317	103	PO # 1	1.26360E-01	-2.34E+01
yes	8	HARD	3500	15	413	N/A	3500	735	108	PO # 2	2.44360E-01	-2.15E+01
yes	1	HARD	9000	14	445	N/A	50000	1288	108	PO # 2	2.53260E-01	N/A
yes	6	HARD	9700	11	1357	N/A	9700	3416	608	PO # 5	3.93157E-01	-1.82E+01
yes	7	HARD	9700	7	2264	N/A	9700	6368	508	PO # 4	6.26559E-01	-1.09E+01
yes	3	HARD	17000	6	2335	N/A	200000	9474	508	PO # 4	6.38234E-01	-5.28E+01
yes	2	HARD	20000	5	2360	N/A	20000	17285	508	PO # 4	7.56234E-01	-1.75E+01
-NO	4	HARD	50000	3	9736	N/A	200000	55522	0	RTS	8.04914E-01	-1.27E+01



# Scheduler Simulator - Goals

- To provide a complementary approach to the formal approach used by Schedulability Analyser
- To provide the designer with a means of investigating system behaviour
  - To provide visualisations of scheduling activity
  - Tightness of schedules
  - ADA runtime system interaction
- To provide highly interactive interface to promote speed of system behaviour scrutiny

# Task Execution Behaviour

Schedulability Simulator provides

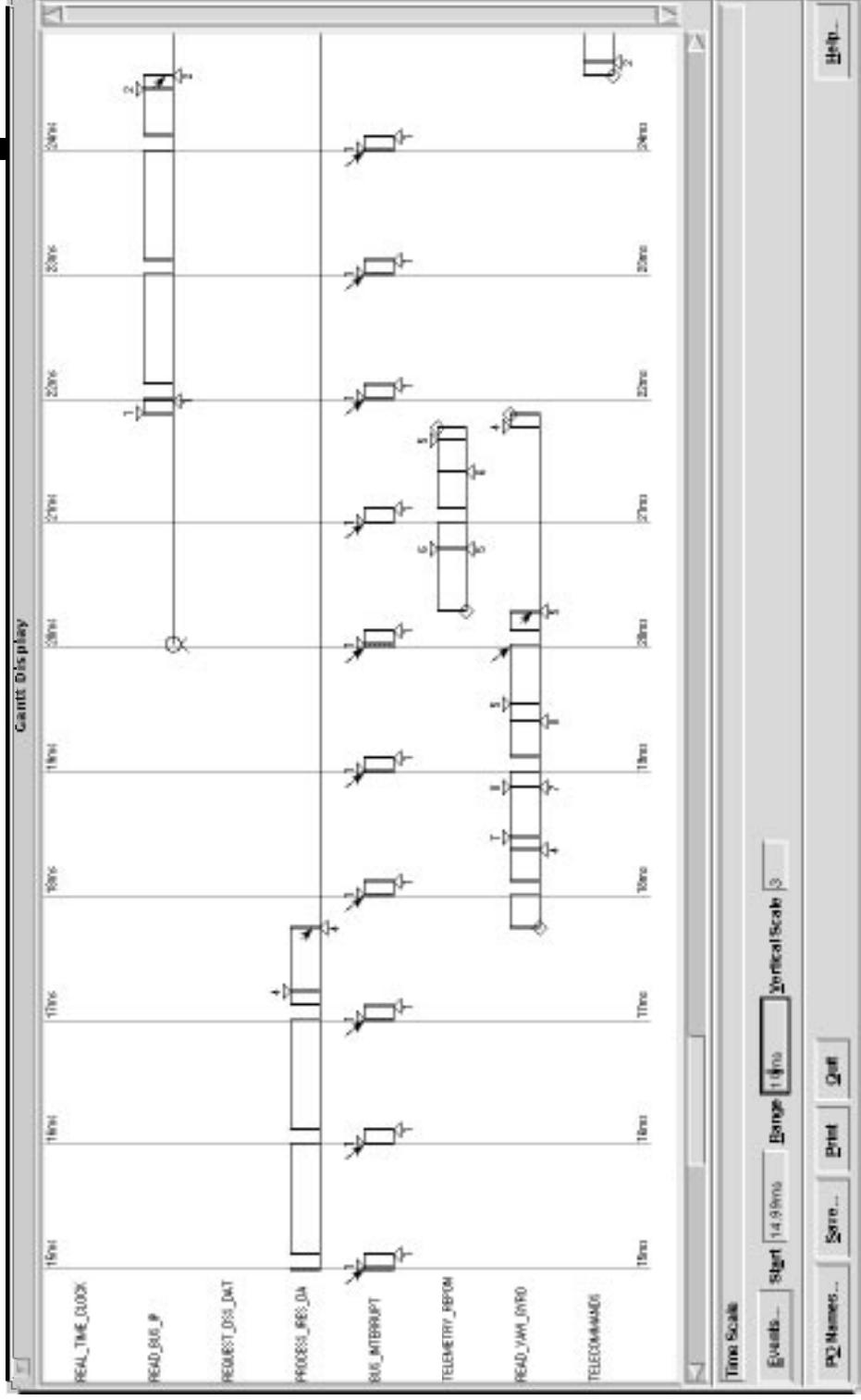
- Presentation of task scheduling behaviour through
  - Gantt Diagrams
  - Textual output
- System Statistics of both the task set and runtime System
- Investigation and post processing of historic simulations
- Configuration of release patterns for Interrupts to investigate Scheduling under different system loads

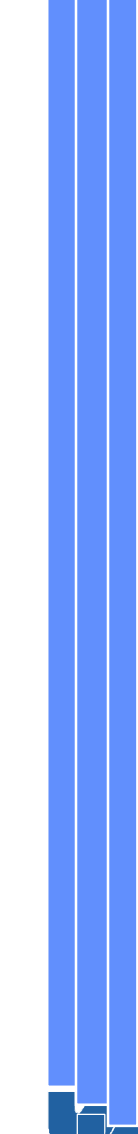
# Task Progression

- Gantt and Textual output displays
  - Thread priorities
  - Task release and associated deadline
  - Start and completion of each thread
  - Suspension and resumption of tasks
  - Entry and Exit to critical regions
  - *Missed deadlines* for Threads
- Postscript output for inclusion in technical reports

# Scheduler Simulator Output

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## Conclusions

- Practical Industrial strength tools using state of the art scheduling techniques
- Fully integrated Hard Real Time Tools to be used throughout the software life cycle and on real projects
  - Reduction in Pessimism of the Analysis performed by the Schedulability Analyser
  - Complementary Toolset Analyser/Simulator
- HRT Toolset to be used in several ESA programs