Back to Basics: Homogeneous Representations of Multi-Rate Synchronous Dataflow Graphs

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Multi-Rate Synchronous Dataflow Graphs (1/3)



- Capture task graphs
- Potential parallelism and interactions explicit
- Well suited for modelling DSP applications
- Annotations for analysis

Multi-Rate Synchronous Dataflow Graphs (2/3)



- Rates, auto-concurrency
- Consistency, Iteration, Periodicity
- ► Homogeneous, Cyclo-Static, Scenario-Aware, ...

Multi-Rate Synchronous Dataflow Graphs (3/3)



Throughput Analysis

- (Average) number of graph iterations per time unit
- Find critical cycle

Buffer Analysis

- Determine buffer capacities required for minimal throughput
- Make all cycles equally critical

Throughput Analysis

- Algorithms available for Homogeneous SDF Graphs (marked graphs)
- Transform MRSDF graph into HSDF graph
- ► Transformation described in [1], [2], ...

[1] Lee, Edward A., and David G. Messerschmitt. "Synchronous data flow." Proceedings of the IEEE 75.9 (1987): 1235-1245.

[2] Sriram, Sundararajan, and Shuvra S. Bhattacharyya. Embedded multiprocessors: Scheduling and synchronization. CRC press, 2009.



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Analysis: compute critical cycle (MCR)





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 $\begin{vmatrix} \text{maximize } r \\ \text{s.t. } s(j) \ge s(i) + \epsilon(i,j) + \frac{\delta(i,j)}{r(i)} \\ r(j) = \gamma(i,j) \cdot r(i) \end{vmatrix}$

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No common ground!

Status Quo on analysis:

Wiggers, M. H., Bekooij, M.J. and Smit, G.J.M. "Efficient computation of buffer capacities for cyclo-static dataflow graphs." Design Automation Conference, 2007. DAC'07. 44th ACM/IEEE. IEEE, 2007. (67 citations)

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Periodic timed synchronous systems

- Mathematics: Max-Plus algebra (constraints)
- HSDF Graph: Linear Shift-Invariant system
- MRSDF Graph: Linear Shift-varying system





$$t_{a}(k) = t_{c}(k-1) + 1$$

$$t_{b}(k) = t_{a}(k-2) + 2$$

$$t_{c}(k) = t_{d}(k) + 3$$

$$t_{d}(k) = \max\{t_{b}(k), t_{a}(k), t_{c}(k)\} + 5$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} t_a \\ t_b \\ t_c \\ t_d \end{bmatrix} (k) = \bigoplus_i A_i \begin{bmatrix} t_a \\ t_b \\ t_c \\ t_d \end{bmatrix} \otimes (k-i)$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} t_{a} \\ t_{b} \\ t_{c} \\ t_{d} \end{bmatrix} (k_{0} + k) = \begin{bmatrix} t_{a} \\ t_{b} \\ t_{c} \\ t_{d} \end{bmatrix} (k_{0}) + 9k$$



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 $c_{v} \cdot s_{uv} = p_{v} \cdot s_{vw}$ $u \xrightarrow{p_{u}} c_{v} \qquad v \xrightarrow{p_{v}} c_{w} \qquad w$ $p_{u} \cdot q_{u} = c_{v} \cdot q_{v} \qquad p_{v} \cdot q_{v} = c_{w} \cdot q_{w}$

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- Repetition vector, q
- ► Normalisation vector, *s*



Structural invariants:

- Repetition vector, q
- Normalisation vector, s
- \blacktriangleright Normalised token count, ${\cal N}$



$t_v(k) = t_u(\ldots) + \tau$

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$$t_{\nu}(k) = t_{u}\left(\left\lceil \frac{k \cdot c - d}{p} \right\rceil\right) + \tau$$



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Obtain shift-invariance by changing counting units



$$t_{\nu}\left(\frac{k}{q_{\nu}}\right) =$$



$$t_v(\kappa) =$$

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MRSDF Analysis - Example use case



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Future Work - Towards Incremental Analysis



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Critical Subgraph

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- Critical Subgraph
- Use bounds to zoom in on critical subgraph

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- Approximation gets better for large repetition vectors (= large HSDF graphs)
- Perfectly suited to balance analysis accuracy and runtime

Questions ?

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