

# Pareto Optimal Scheduling for Synchronous Data Flow Graphs on Heterogeneous Multiprocessor

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Synthesis

Time and energy  
optimal

Scheduling

Synchronous Data  
Flow Graphs

Real-time Embedded Systems



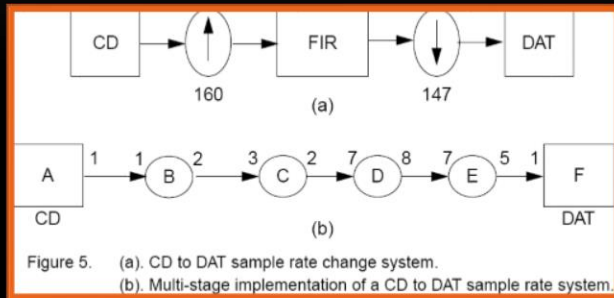
Multi-processor  
Real-time requirements  
Resource limitations  
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## Setting the Context

- Model Description and Problem Formulation
- Basic Ideas of Our Methods
- Static Optimal Scheduling and Mapping
- Experimental Evaluation
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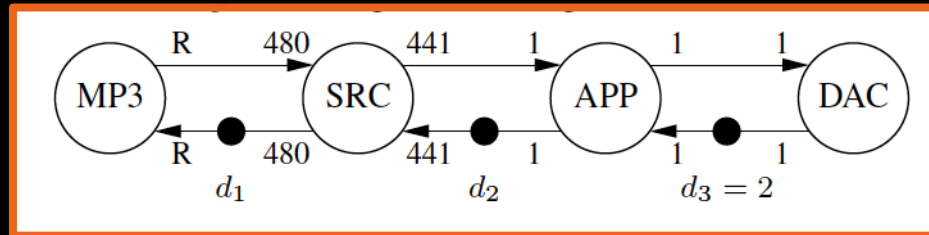
## Outline

- Synchronous dataflow graphs (SDFG) are widely used for modeling data-driven applications
  - digital signal processing (DSP) algorithms
  - streaming media programs

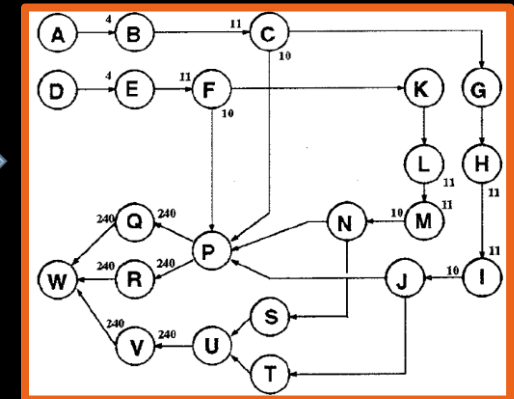


A sample rate converter model--compact disk (CD) to digital audio tape (DAT)[Murthy, et al.1997]

An MP3 playback  
[Wiggers, et al. 2007]



A satellite receiver  
[Ritz, et al. 1995]



## Model Description

A **system model** includes an SDFG  $G$  and its execution platform  $P$ .

- An **execution platform**  $P$  is a set of heterogeneous processors. The energy consumption per unit time for each processor  $p$  is denoted by  $uEC(P)$  ( $p$  in use) and  $iEC(p)$  ( $p$  idle).
- An **SDFG** is a finite directed graph  $G = \langle V, E \rangle$

**production rate**  $prd(e)$

e.g.  $prd(\langle A, B \rangle) = 2$

number of tokens produced onto  $\langle A, B \rangle$  by each execution of A.

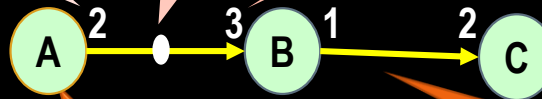
**delay** (number of initial tokens)  $d(e)$

e.g.  $d(\langle A, B \rangle) = 1$

**consumption rate**  $cns(e)$

e.g.  $cns(\langle A, B \rangle) = 3$

number of tokens consumed from  $\langle A, B \rangle$  by each execution of B



**computation time when  $v$  running on processor  $p$**   $t(v, p)$

e.g.  $t(A, p1) = 1$ ,  $t(A, p2) = 2$

actor  $v$   
- a computation

edge  $e$

- a FIFO channel
- data dependency between actors

**Multi-rate**, e.g.  $prd(\langle A, B \rangle) = 2$ ,  $cns(\langle A, B \rangle) = 3$

Different number of firings of each actor in one iteration of execution, e.g. 3A, 2B, 1C in an iteration.

## Model Description

System Model  $M_1=(G_1,P_1)$ :

$G_1$ :



$P_1$ :

	Energy		Exec. Time		
	inuse	idle	A	B	C
p1	90	10	1	2	2
p2	30	20	2	4	4
Rep. Vector			3	2	1

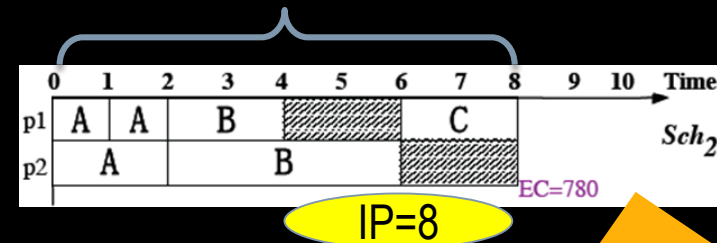
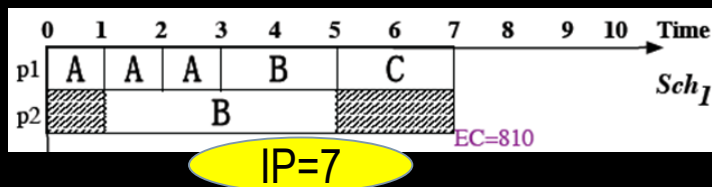
One **iteration** of  $G_1$ : three firings of A, two firings of B and one firing of C, respectively. repetition vector

A **static schedule** arranges actors of an SDFG to be executed repeatedly (periodically).

✓ time arrangement and processor allocation

Schedules of  $M_1$ :

Iteration period (IP): the computation time of an iteration.  $IP=1/thr.$



The number of firings in one iter. is the sum of the elements in the repetition vector  $nQ$  ( $=3+2+1$ )

energy cons. (EC) is the energy cons. of an iteration.

$EC = \text{Occupied time} * uEC + \text{idle time} * iEC$

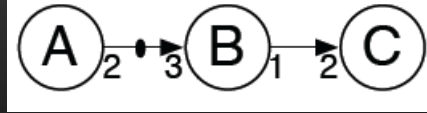
Eg.  $EC = (6*90 + 2*10) + (6*30 + 2*20) = 780$

In a schedule, an actor can be arranged to fire only when there are enough tokens on its incoming edges.

E.g., in  $Sch_1$ : the first firing of B can only fire when the first firing of A is finished (therefore there are 3 tokens on edge  $\langle A, B \rangle$ )

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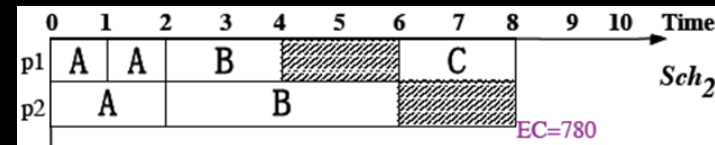
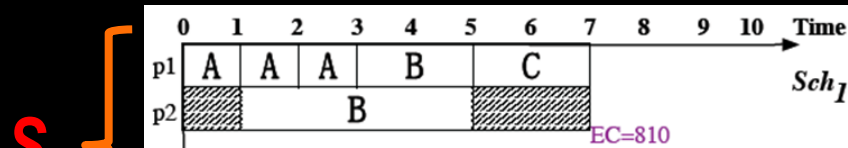
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Schedules of  $M_1$ :



Many other schedules of  $M_1$ .....

set of all schedules of  $M_1$

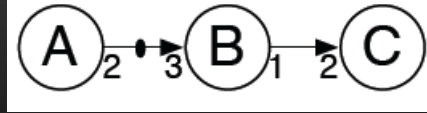
A 'good' schedule: its **IP** and **EC** are as small as possible

A **Pareto point** is a tuple (EC; IP). It is impossible to make one (IP or EC) better off without making the other worse off.

A schedule is a **Pareto optimal schedule** if its (EC; IP) is a Pareto point.

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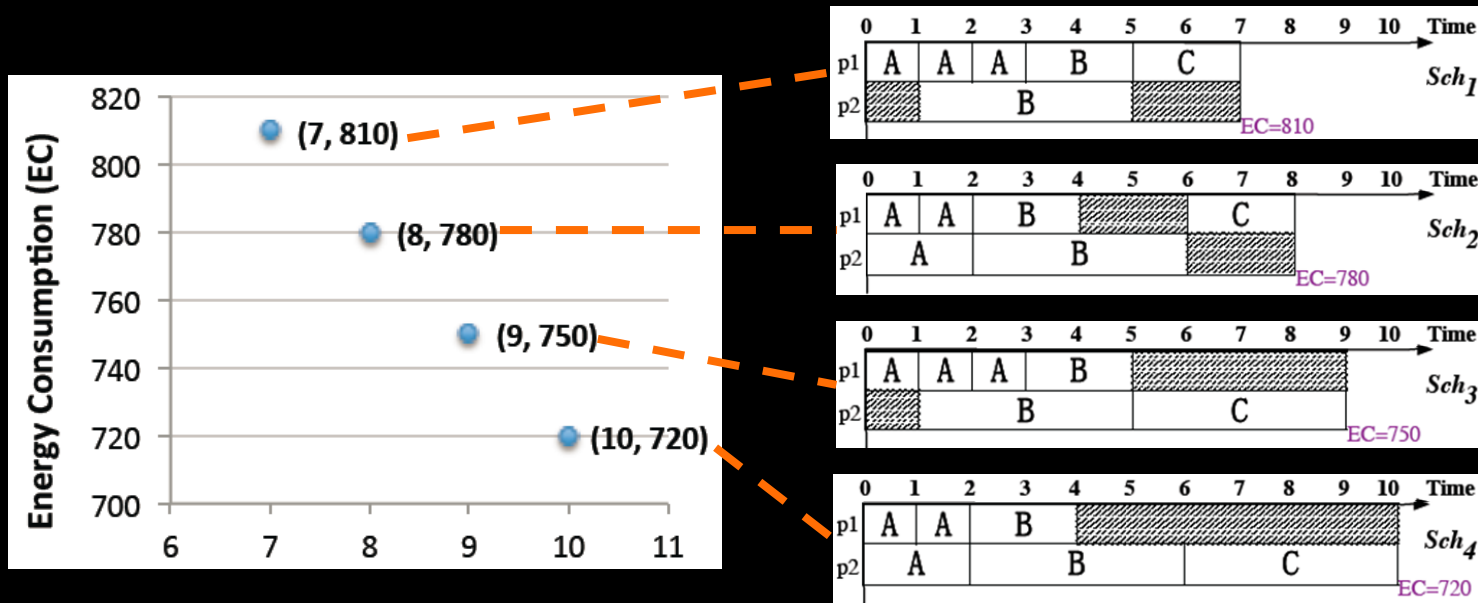
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Pareto space of  $M_1$

Pareto optimal schedules of  $M_1$

**paretoS**

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An application

A heterogeneous multi-processor platform

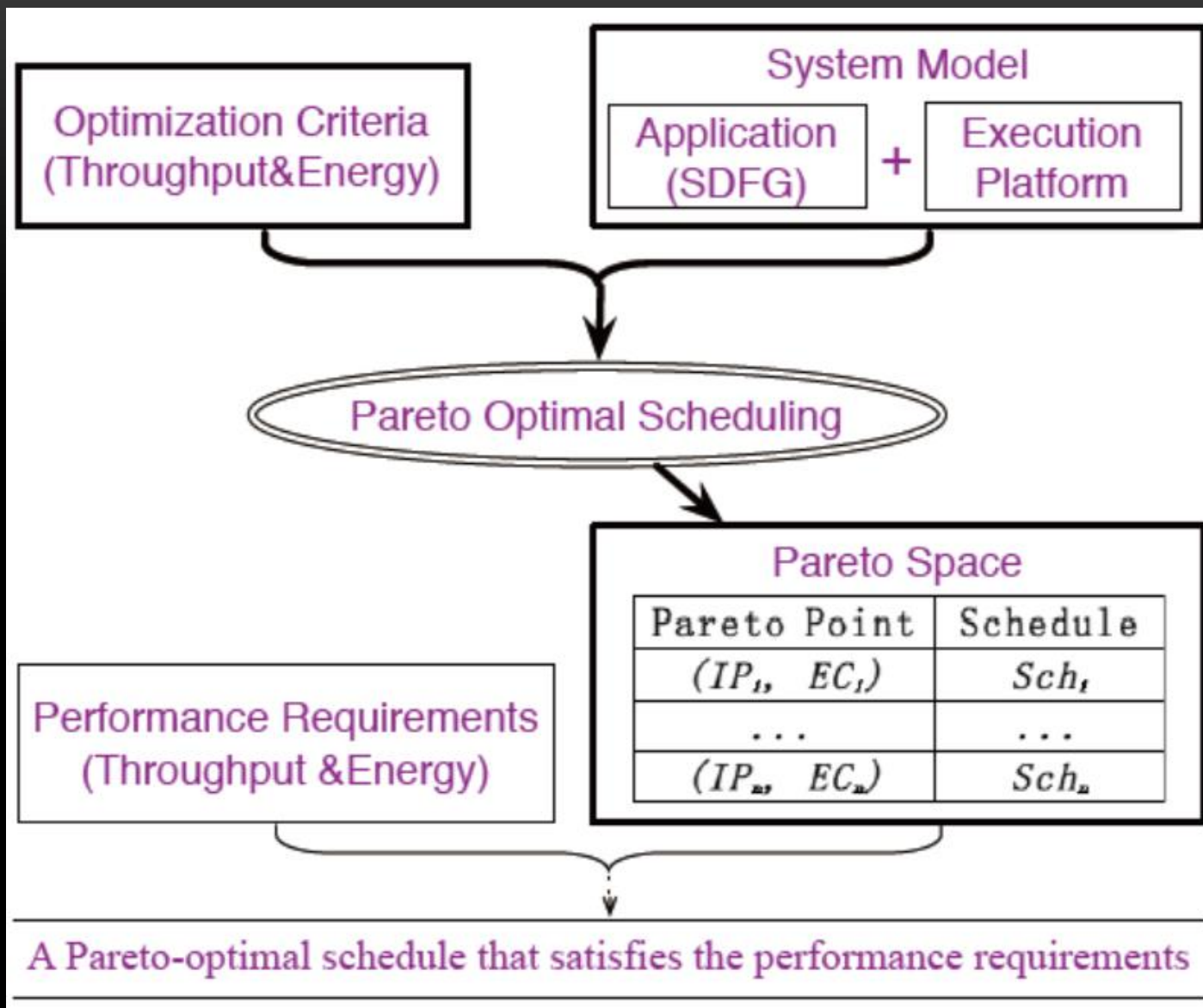
System model  $M=(G,P)$

**Scheduling  
(our proposal)**

***paretoS***

Set of Pareto-optimal  
Schedules

**Problem Formulation**



The goal of our work

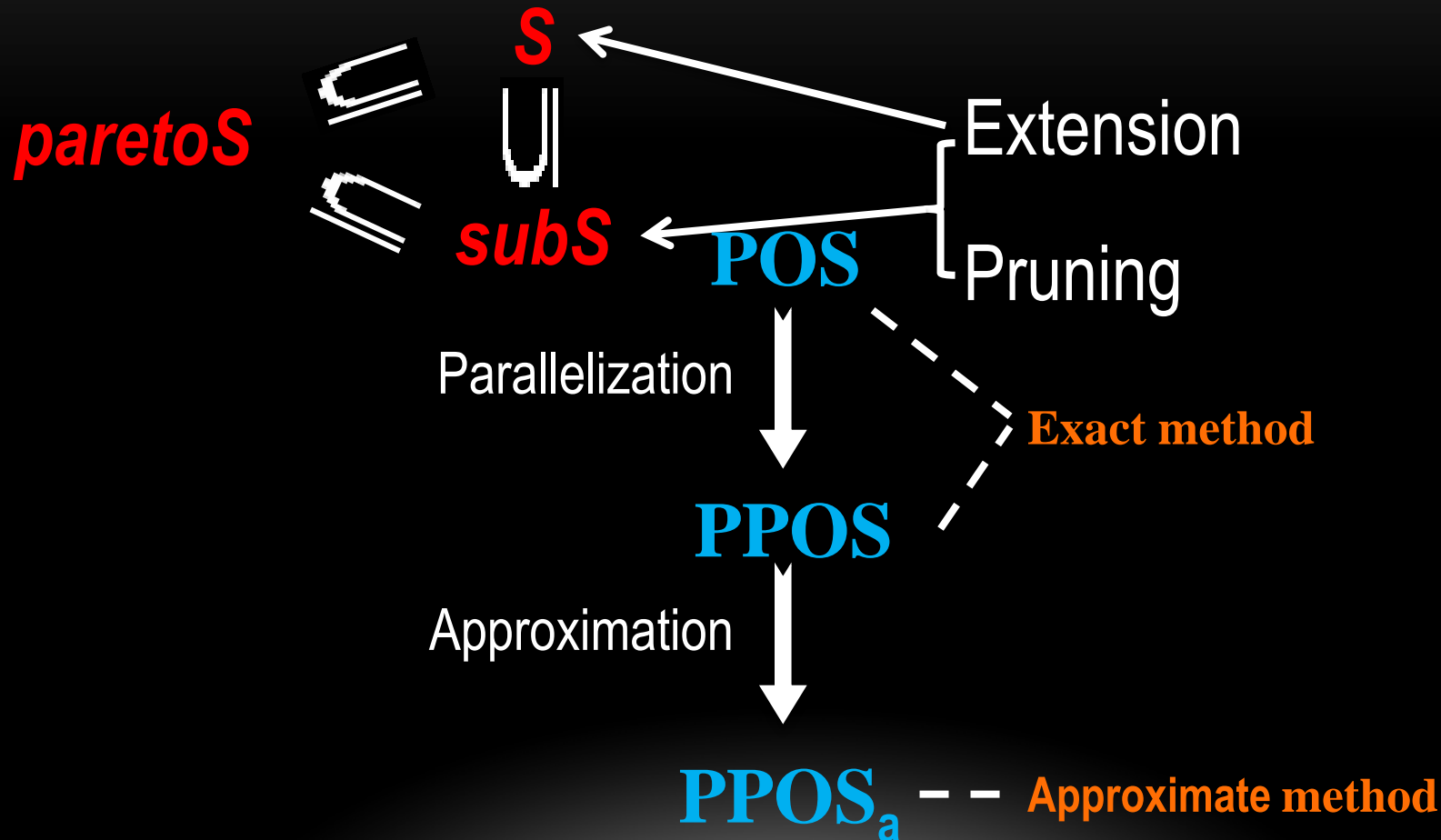
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## Basic Ideas

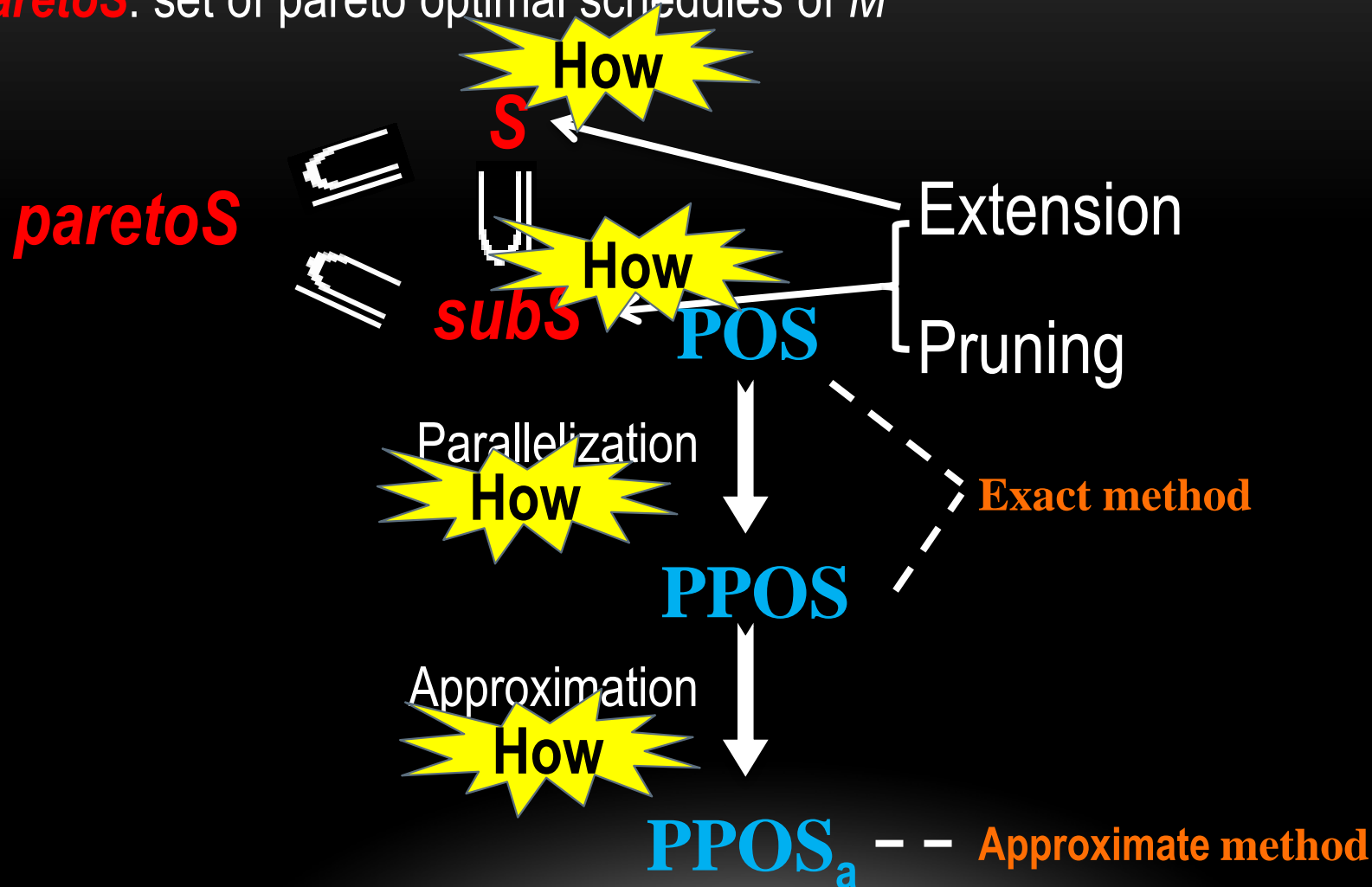
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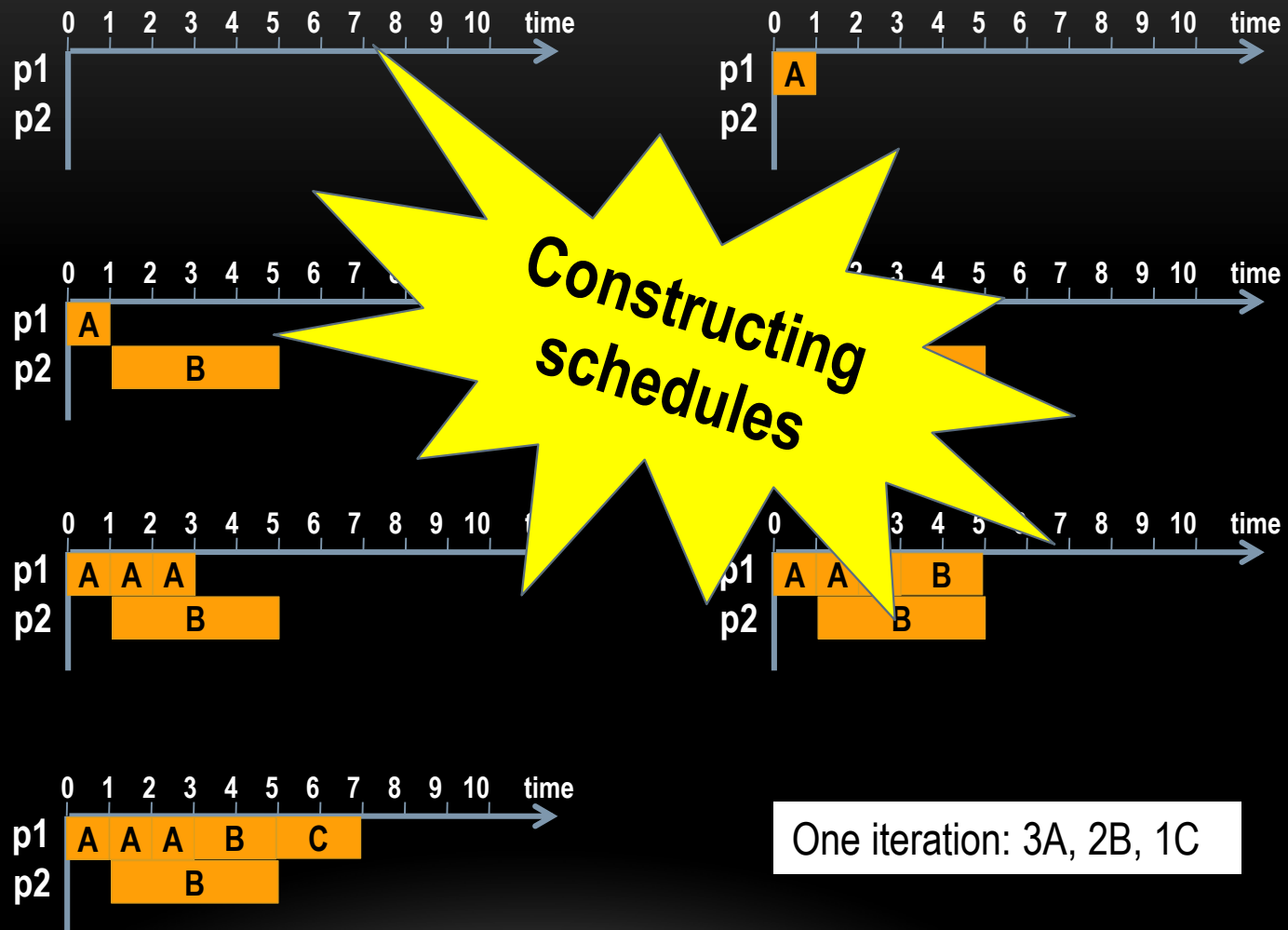
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## Static Optimal Scheduling and Mapping

How to construct **S** with Extension?

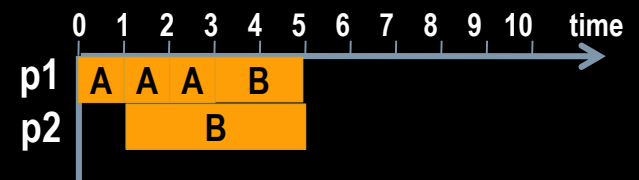
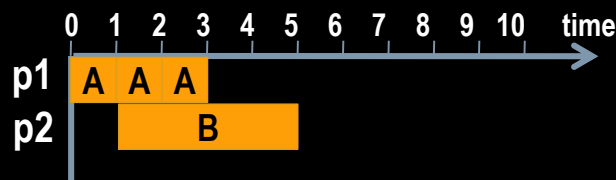
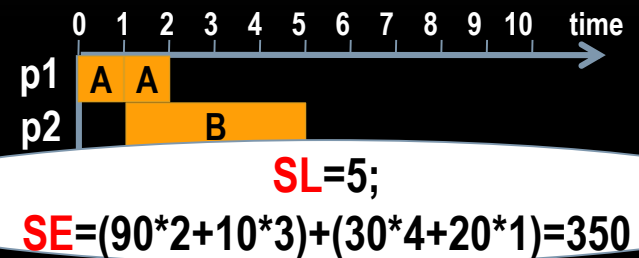
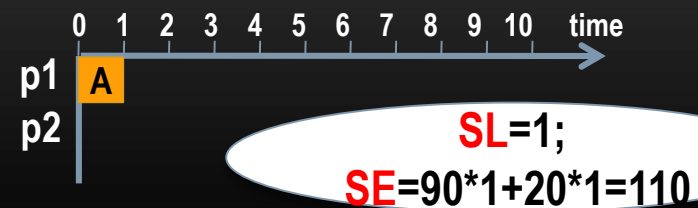
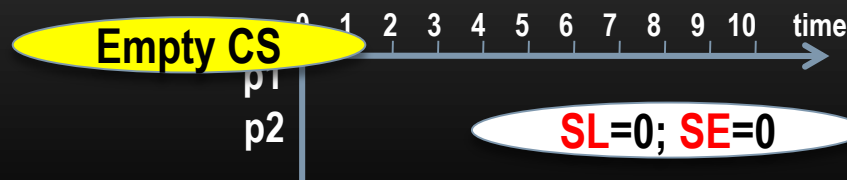
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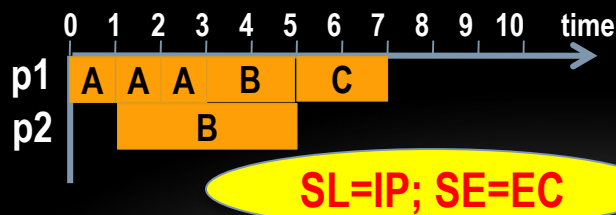
## Constructing schedules



- A Constructing schedule (CS) is a partial schedule



A schedule:



**SL**: schedule length of a CS  
**SE**: energy consumption of a CS

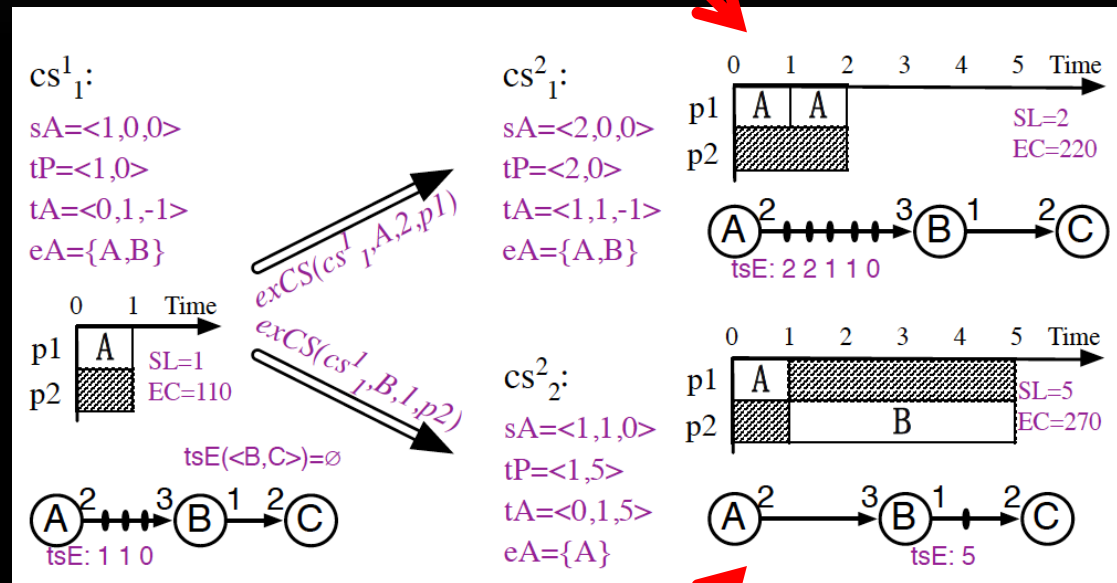
## Constructing schedules

**Effect of Extension:** a new firing is arranged on 'right' time point and available processor and the state of the SDFG is changed accordingly

$cs^2_1$  is an Extension of  $cs^1_1$  on the 2<sup>nd</sup> firing of actor  $A$  and processor  $p_1$

$cs^1_1$ :  
the first firing of actor  $A$  has been scheduled

A is enabled  
B is enabled



$cs^2_2$  is an Extension of  $cs^1_1$  on the first firing of actor  $B$  and processor  $p_2$

## Extension

## Algorithm 1 Extend( $CSs$ )

**Require:** A set of constructing schedules  $CSs$  of system model  $\mathcal{M} = (G, P)$

**Ensure:** A set of constructing schedules  $CSs'$ , including extensions of all constructing schedules in  $CSs$

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1:  $CSs' = \emptyset$ 
2: for all  $cs$  in  $CSs$  do
3:   for all  $\alpha \in cs.eA$  do
4:     for all  $p \in P$  do
5:        $CSs' \leftarrow exCS(cs, \alpha, cs.sA(\alpha) + 1, p)$ 
6:     end for
7:   end for
8: end for
9: return  $CSs'$ 
```

Each step considers all possible Extensions

check all CS in the set  $CSs$

check all enabled actors

check all processors

Extend a CS on each enabled actor and each processor

Schedules of a system model are constructed step by step, beginning with a set including an empty CS. At each step, we get a set of Extensions of current set of  $CSs$ .

$CSs_0 \rightarrow CSs_1 \rightarrow CSs_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow CSs_i \rightarrow CSs_{i+1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow CSs_{nQ} = S$

$CSs_0 = \{\text{empty CS}\}$

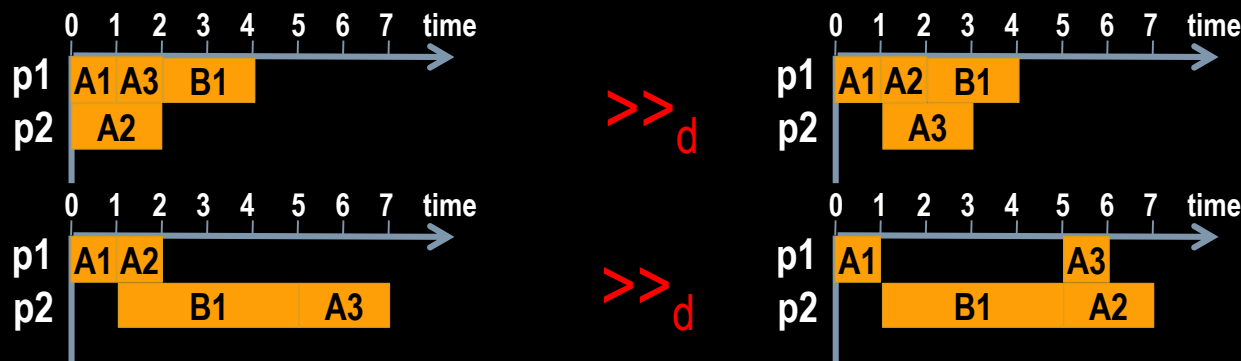
$CSs_{i+1} = \text{Extend}(CSs_i), i=1 \sim nQ$

**S** is constructed after  $nQ$  steps!

## Constructing Schedules with Extension

How to construct *subS* with extension and pruning (**POS**)?

- $cs_1$  **dominate**  $cs_2$ , denoted by  $cs_1 \gg_d cs_2$ 
  - ✓ two CSs are compared only when they have arranged the **same** number of firings of each actor;
  - ✓ occupied time of each processor; (**the less the better**)
  - ✓ finish time on each processor; (**the less the better**)
  - ✓ the possible start time of the next firing of each actor. (**the less the better**)
- ✓ Set CSs is a Partial Order Set under domination relation.



Property 1 (Theorem 8). SL and SE of the dominated CS are never better than SL and SE of the dominator.

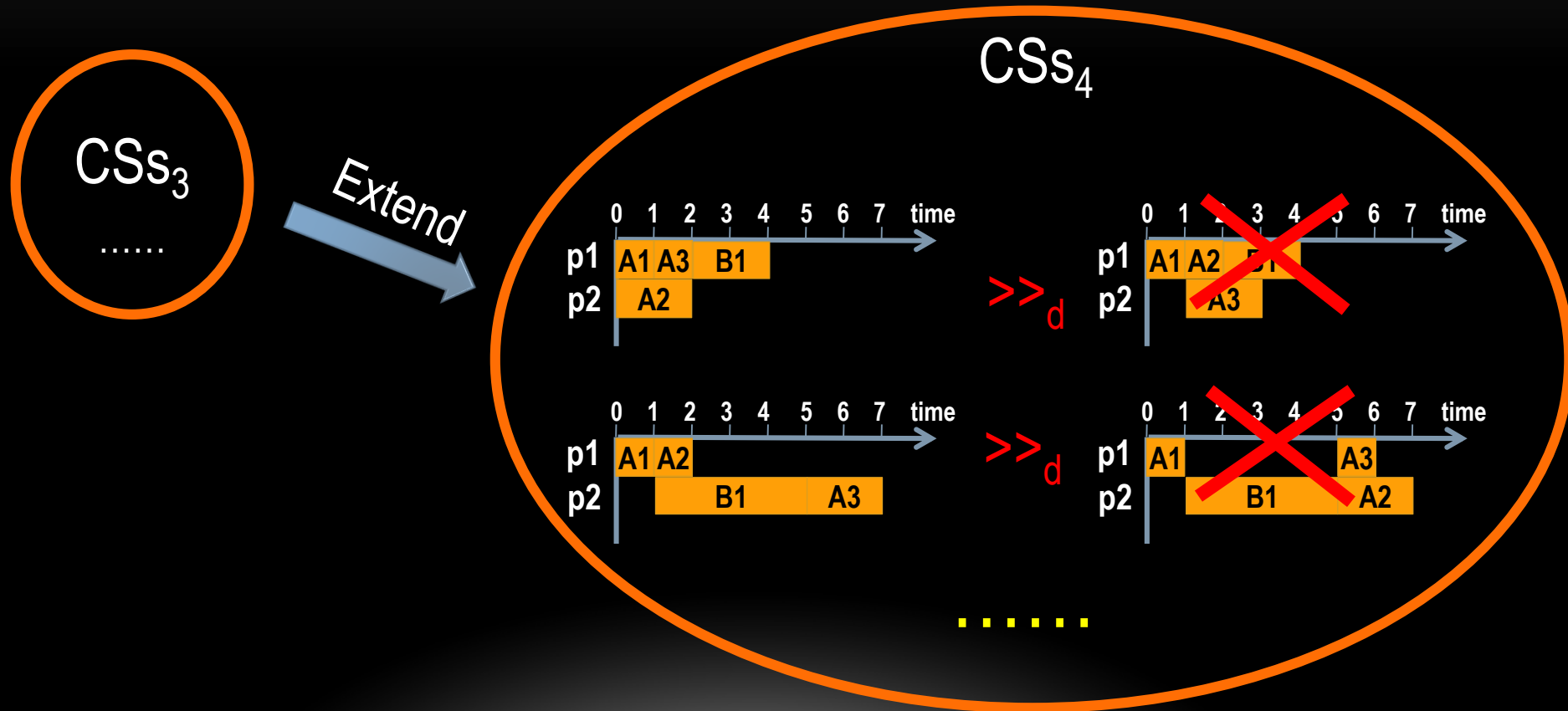
Property 2 (Theorem 9). The domination relation of two constructing schedules is preserved by Extension.

## Domination Relation of CSs

Any extension of a dominated CS will be dominated by an extension of its dominator

No Pareto optimal schedule is extended by a dominated CS (in any step)

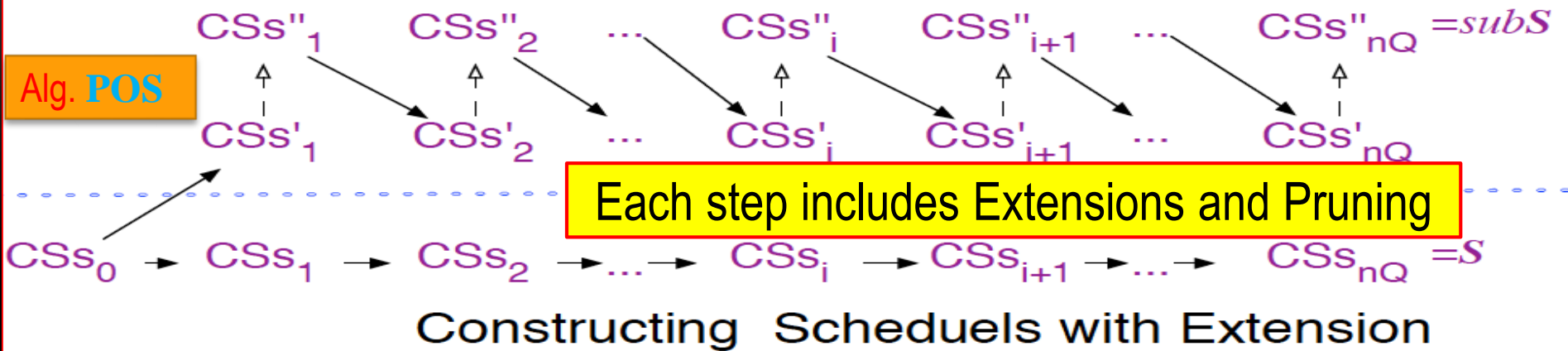
Therefore the dominated CSs can be removed safely



pruning

- extend
- ➤ prune

# Constructing Schedules with Extension and Pruning



**subS** is constructed after  $nQ$  steps!

$$\text{paretoS} \subseteq \text{subS} \subseteq S$$

The number of constructing schedules of  $M_1$  at each step

With Extension only

With Extension and Pruning

$i$	1	2	3	4	5	6
$ CS_i $	2	8	24	48	96	192
$ CS''_i $	2	7	13	14	9	13

## Constructing Schedules with Extension and Pruning

# How to parallelize the construction procedure (**PPOS**)?

At each step of **POS**

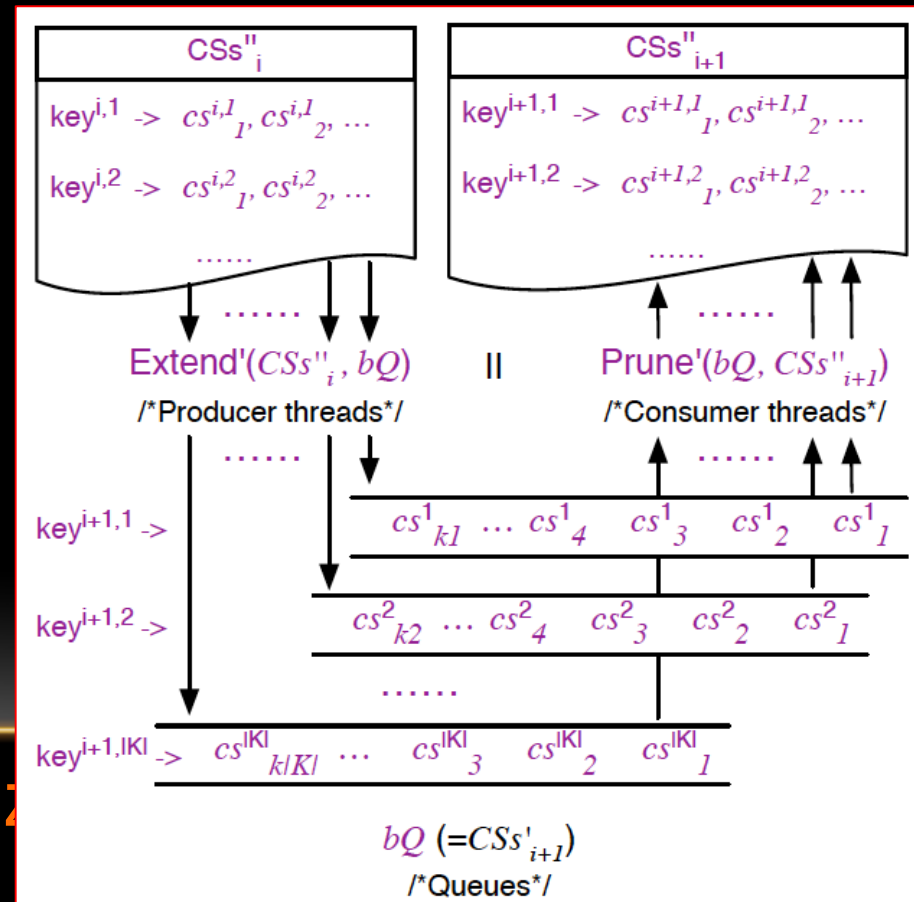
- ✓ each Extension does not affect each other
- ✓ Pruning operations are possible only for those CSs, in which, for each actor, the number of the scheduled firings (**sA(V)**) are same.

## Alg. **PPOS**

At each step

- ✓ Divide sets  $CSs'_i$  and  $CSs''_i$  into some subsets according to **sA**
- ✓ extension and pruning are conducted on those subsets in parallel (**without data race**).

Paralleliz



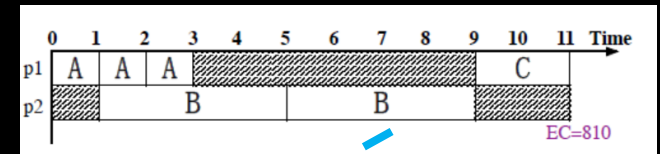
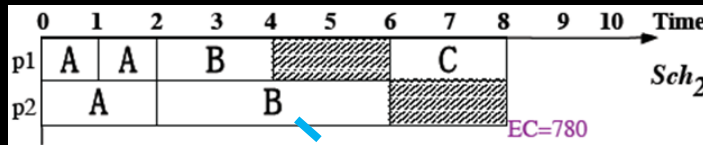
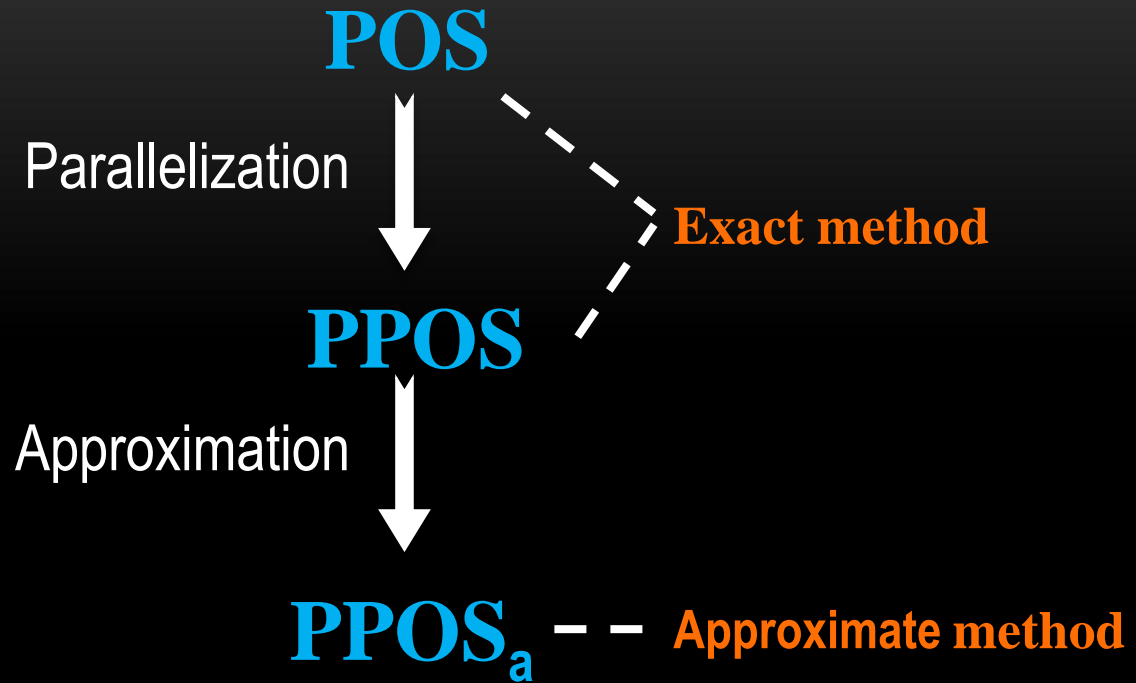


How to approximate the procedure ( $\text{PPOS}_a$ )?

$\text{PPOS}_a$  is obtained by pruning the space according to a **quasi-dominance** relation

- ✓ compares only the schedule length **SL** and energy consumption **SE** of two constructing schedules.

## Approximation



Consider both **firing mapping** and **actor mapping** (all firings of an actor are arranged on the same processor).

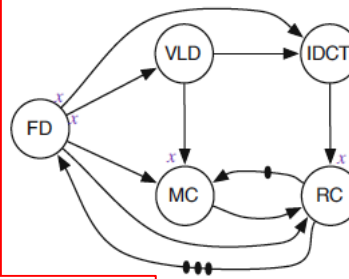
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# System model:

Number of processors



		Energy		Exec. Time				
		inuse	idle	FD	VLD	IDCT	MC	RC
p1		90	10	0	1	1	1	1
p2		30	20	0	2	2	2	2

Sc.	x	Rep. Vector					nQ
		FD	VLD	IDCT	MC	RC	
P5	5	1	5	5	1	1	13
P10	10	1	10	10	1	1	23
P30	30	1	30	30	1	1	63

Number of firings in an iter.

Models with different nQ

Compare to model checking method (MC) to evaluate the exactness of the proposed methods

## Experimental results

with different parameters

### Results for Firing Mapping

#### Pareto Space (EC,IP)

#Pro	P5	P10	P30
2	(990,9)(960,10)	(1790,15)(1760,16)	(5020,42)(4990,43), (4960,44)
4	(1020,5)	(1820,9)	(5080,22)(5020,23)

#### Execution Time (s)

#### MC [19] / amPPOS / amPPOS<sub>α</sub>

2	0.1/0.1/0.1	0.2/0.2/0.2	6.4/1.2/1.0
4	13.5/0.3/0.1	19m/11.4/0.2	N/N/0.7

### Results for Actor Mapping

#### Pareto Space (EC,IP)

2	(1230,11)(1020,12) (990,13)(960,14)	(2330,21)1820,22) ((1790,23)(1760,24)	(6730,61)(5020,62) (4990,63),(4960,64)
4	(1380,7)(1320,12) (1080,13)	(2480,12)(2420,22) (1880,23)	(6880,32)(6820,62) (5080,63)

#### Execution Time (s)

#### amPPOS/amPPOS<sub>α</sub>

2	0.1/0.1	0.1/0.6	1.4/0.4
4	0.1/0.1	0.2/0.4	0.4/0.4

N - Timeout.

- For all scenarios and parameters of MPEG-4 decoder that MC method can finish, our methods return exact Pareto spaces as MC does.
- Our methods outperform MC method more when the models grow larger.

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Experimental  
results

with different parameters

The number of actors in an SDFG ( $nA$ ) and the sum of the elements in the repetition vector ( $nQ$ ) have significant impact on the performance of various methods.

We generate six groups of SDFGs with different values of  $nA$  and  $nQ$ . Each group includes 30 graphs with the same values of  $nA$  and  $nQ$ .

- E.g. a group named *a5q20* includes 30 SDFGs with  $nA = 5$  and  $nQ = 20$

	fmPPOS Exe. Time (AVG/MAX/MIN)	fmPPOS <sub>a</sub> Exe. Time (AVG/MAX/MIN)	NADRS of fmPPOS <sub>a</sub>	amPPOS Exe. Time (AVG/MAX/MIN)	amPPOS <sub>a</sub> Exe. Time (AVG/MAX/MIN)
<i>a5q20</i>	0.2/1.1/0.1	0.1/0.3/0.1	1.0%	0.1/0.4/0.1	0.1/0.4/0.0
<i>a5q50</i>	1.9/11.3/0.1	0.3/0.7/0.1	0.6%	0.4/1.4/0.1	0.5/1.7/0.1
<i>a10q50</i>	37.2/8.2m/0.3 <sup>b</sup>	0.7/7.3/0.1	0.8%	2.6/30.0/0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.7/2.5/0.1
<i>a10q100</i>	4.6m/23.7m/1.1 <sup>b</sup>	7.7/2.6m/0.2	0.5%	12.7/3.2m/0.3 <sup>a</sup>	1.7/16.9/0.2

<sup>a</sup> Timeout on 1 case.

<sup>b</sup> Timeout on 7 cases.

The relative small cases

- used to evaluate the performance of exact methods and measure the accuracy of the appr. methods.

The large cases

- used to evaluate the performance of proposed approximate methods.

	#Pro = 4		#Pro = 8	
	fmPPOS <sub>a</sub> AVG/MAX/MIN	amPPOS <sub>a</sub> AVG/MAX/MIN	fmPPOS <sub>a</sub> AVG/MAX/MIN	amPPOS <sub>a</sub> AVG/MAX/MIN
<i>a10q50</i>	0.7/5.5/0.1	0.8/3.4/0.1	0.7/4.3/0.1	0.7/2.3/0.1
<i>a10q100</i>	5.6/1.8m/0.2	1.7/11.5/0.4	5.3/1.4m/0.1	1.5/12.5/0.4
<i>a20q100</i>	44.2/14.6m/0.5 <sup>a</sup>	1.1m/29.2m/0.4	1.5m/29.4m/0.5	12.2/2.2m/0.4 <sup>a</sup>
<i>a10q1000</i>	4.2m/21.4m/19.9 <sup>b</sup>	40.6/4.6m/0.9 <sup>a</sup>	3.1m/15m/4.2 <sup>b</sup>	70.8/12.2m/1.5 <sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Timeout on 1 to 2 cases.

<sup>b</sup> Timeout on 9 to 13 cases.

They run on a 2.4GHz server with 160 cores, 32MB Cache and 256GB RAM. At each step, we allocate 90 percent of cores to pruning threads (Consumers) and 10 percent to extension threads (Producers).

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- A Parallelized Pareto Optimal Scheduling method (PPOS) for scheduling SDFGs on heterogeneous multiprocessor platforms.
  - ✓ The optimization criteria are throughput and energy consumption
  - ✓ PPOS is an exact method that can find all exact Pareto optimal schedules
  - ✓ with firing mapping or with actor mapping
- An approximation variant of PPOS, PPOSa, has been presented to deal with larger system models.
- The exactness and efficiency of the exact methods are further confirmed by the experimental results. The approximate methods return results close to the exact ones.

## Conclusions



- The design of complex embedded systems usually needs to take into account **various resource constraints**. Besides processors and energy constraints, we will extend our methods to deal with more resource constraints in the future work.

## Future Work

# Thanks !

