

Selected papers presented at the 26th International Conference on Real-Time and Network Systems (RTNS 2018)

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This issue of the journal Real-Time Systems contains extended versions of four selected papers among the ones presented at the 26th International Conference on Real-Time and Network Systems (RTNS 2018), held in Poitiers in October 2018. From 54 submitted papers, 27 were accepted. The scope of the conference covered all aspects of real-time systems and networks. A selection of the papers presented at the conference were invited to submit extended versions for this special issue. These papers were selected based on their quality, relevance and originality.

- The paper entitled "Tardiness Bounds for Fixed-Priority Global Scheduling without Intra-Task Precedence Constraints" is written by Sergey Voronov, James H. Anderson and Kecheng Yan. The work proposes to apply a relaxed sporadic task model to bound the deadline tardiness of tasks underlobal fixed-priority schedulers over an identical multiprocessor platform. The authors have shown that the derived bound is asymptotically tight and evaluated several prioritization strategies to control the per-task tardiness bound.
- The paper entitled "A Novel View on Bounding Execution Demand under Mixed-Criticality EDF"" is written by Mitra Mahdiani and Alejandro Masru. The work deals with mixed-criticality scheduling using EDF and presents an approach where demand bound functions not only for LO and HI modes but also for the transition between these 2 modes. Evaluation results are presented for this approach and one of its approximation and compared to state-of-the-art algorithms (EDF-VD, ECDF, Greedy).

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Supporting I/O and IPC via fine-grained OS isolation for mixed-criticality real-time tasks, https:// doi.org/10.1007/s11241-020-09351-2, 56:349–390, originally accepted for publication in this special issue was inadvertently published in Volume 56 issue 4.

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- The paper entitled "Supporting I/O and IPC via Fine-Grained OS Isolation for Mixed-Criticality Real-Time Tasks" is written by Namhoon Kim, Stephen Tang, Nathan Otterness, James H. Anderson, F. Donelson Smith and Donald Porter. The work presents techniques for lessening the impacts of sharing I/O in mixed-criticality systems. The presented techniques can mitigate OSinduced interference in multicore real time systems. The conducted experimental study show that OS-related sharing can increase individual provisioned execution times.

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