

Energy Optimization of Stochastic Applications with Statistical Guarantees of Deadline and Reliability

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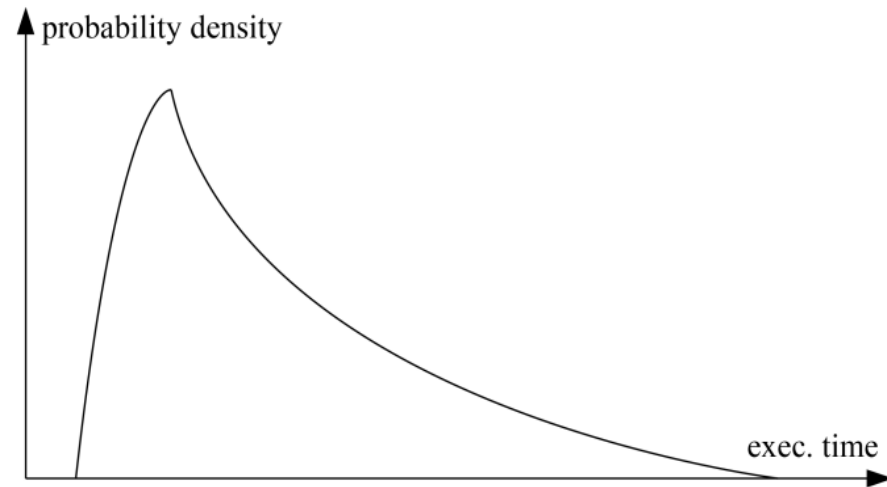
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Introduction

Paper focus on:

- Optimizing energy consumption of stochastic tasks;
- Take into account the probability distribution of task's execution time;
- The application has reliability and deadline constraints;
- Running on DVFS-enabled embedded systems.



System Model

Stochastic real-time task model:

Scenario and Assumption

- An embedded server to provide real-time services for multiple users in a common period.
- All service tasks are released in each period, and finished before their respective deadlines.

We use (D_i, C_i, PDF_i) to characterize the task i .

- D_i : relative deadline;
- C_i : stochastic execution time;
- PDF_i : probability density function of C_i .

System Model

DVFS-enabled energy and reliability model:

- Expected energy consumption of task i:

$$\overline{En}_i = (Pow_i^{dyn} + Pow_i^{leak}) \cdot \overline{C}_i$$

- Reliability of task i:

$$Re_i = \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda(\phi_i) \cdot C_i}{f_i}\right)$$

- Expected logarithm of the reliability of the whole application can be calculated as:

$$\overline{\ln(ORe)} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(-\frac{\lambda(\phi_i) \cdot \overline{C}_i}{f_i}\right)$$

System Model

DVFS-enabled energy and reliability model

We need $\ln(\overline{ORe})$ or \overline{ORe} for calculating the reliability, but we only have $\overline{\ln(ORe)}$, so formulating the following theorem:

Theorem 1 *The natural logarithm of expected system reliability can be expressed as $\ln(\overline{ORe}) = \overline{\ln(ORe)}$, approximately.*

The theorem can be proved by Taylor expansion and Taylor Mean Value Theorem.

System Model

Modeling the Probability of No-Deadline Violation

To model the deadline constraint of soft real-time applications, we introduce a metric, Probability of No-Deadline Violation (PNDV), indicating that the deadline violation for each task can only be tolerated by certain probability.

- Pb_i^h denotes the probability of the situation when the actual execution time of τ_i is h ;
- OPb_i^h denotes the probability that the overall execution duration of the previous i tasks is h ;
- Te_i denotes the sum of the execution durations of the previous i tasks.

System Model

Modeling the Probability of No-Deadline Violation

Sum of the execution durations of the previous i tasks:

$$Te_i = \sum_{j=1}^i C_j.$$

Given the probability distribution of Te_{i-1} , Probability distribution of Te_i can be calculated easily by:

$$OPb_i^h = \sum_{x+y=h} (OPb_{i-1}^x \cdot Pb_i^y)$$

At last, $PNDV$ of task i can be expressed as follows:

$$PNDV_i = \sum_{h=1}^{D_i} OPb_i^h$$

System Problem Formulation

The problem we address is described as follows. Given a task set with n tasks T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n , with corresponding deadline, execution time PDF and m possible levels of processor frequency, we are interested to determine a DVFS solution, i.e. $S = (f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n)$, such that expected system energy for a period of the tasks is minimized and the constraints of the reliability (ORe^B) and deadlines ($PNDV^B$) are met.

The optimization objective can be formulated as:

$$\text{Minimize } OEn = \sum_{i=1}^n (Pow_i^{dyn} + Pow_i^{leak}) \cdot E_{pt}(C_i)$$

System Problem formulation

Soft deadline constraint of individual task can be expressed:

$$PNDV_i \geq PNDV_i^B, 1 \leq i \leq n$$

Reliability constraint can be expressed:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(-\frac{\lambda(\phi_i) \cdot \bar{C}_i}{f_i} \right) \geq \ln(ORe^B), f_i \in \{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_m\}$$

$\{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_m\}$ are the normalized discrete frequency options for the DVFS-enabled processor.

Proposed Approaches

DPO approach (Dynamic Programming based Optimization algorithm)

It is a Multidimensional Multiple-Choice Knapsack Problem.

The state transition equation can be expressed as following:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(i, \delta, k) = \max^k \{ & \Phi(i, \delta - 1, l), \\ & \max \{ \Phi(i - 1, \delta - \overline{En}_i^j, l) + \overline{\ln Re}_i^j \} \} \\ & 1 \leq j \leq m, 1 \leq l \leq k \end{aligned}$$

- $\Phi(i, \delta, k)$: expected natural logarithm of the k-th largest reliability of the previous i tasks, whose expected total energy is limited to no more than δ .
- \overline{En}_i^j and \overline{Re}_i^j : energy and reliability of τ_i using the j-th frequency level.

Proposed Approaches

FBDP approach

(Fast Bi-search algorithm based on Dynamic Programming)

- Due to high runtime complexity of DPO, we propose FBDP .
- FBDP is to find a solution satisfying both reliability and deadline constraints with the energy cost at most $(1+\beta)OEn^*$, where OEn^* denotes the expected energy of our optimal problem.
- Achieving this, a Bi-searcher will be first constructed such that a bi-search on whether $OEn^* \geq x$ for any x can be found in polynomial time without knowing the value of OEn^* . We can use Bi-searcher to bi-narrow the range of OEn^* .
- After constructing such a Bi-searcher, the range of OEn^* , which is narrow enough, can be obtained by performing a fast bi-search between the lower and upper bounds of OEn^* .

Proposed Approaches

FBDP approach

Construction of Bi-searcher:

Scale En_i^j to $\lfloor En_i^j \cdot n / (x\beta) \rfloor$ and reliability and deadline constraints are unchanged. The upper bound of expected energy cost is set to be n/β , after executing DPO and we can determine the range of OEn^* based on the following 2 cases:

Case 1: Found a solution satisfying both reliability and deadline constraints. Then $OEn^* \leq (1+\beta)x$.

Case 2: No solution is found that satisfied both reliability and deadline constraints. Then $OEn^* > x$.

Proposed Approaches

FBDP approach

After each bi-search, we can make corresponding operations according to the previous two cases:

Case 1: $OEn^* \leq (1+\beta)x$. Set new upper bound to $(1+\beta)x = \sqrt{(OEn_l^* \cdot OEn_u^*) / (1+\beta)}$ and keep lower bound unchanged.

Case 2: $OEn^* > x$. Set new lower bound to $\sqrt{(OEn_l^* \cdot OEn_u^*) / (1+\beta)}$ and keep upper bound unchanged.

It can be proved that the ratio of upper bound to lower bound is no more than $2(1+\beta)$ after $\log(\log Q_0)$ bi-search operations, and obtain the near-optimal solution with the energy cost at most $(1+\beta)OEn^*$ without violating the reliability and deadline constraints.

Experimental Results

Parameters on tasks in all the experiments are generated randomly:

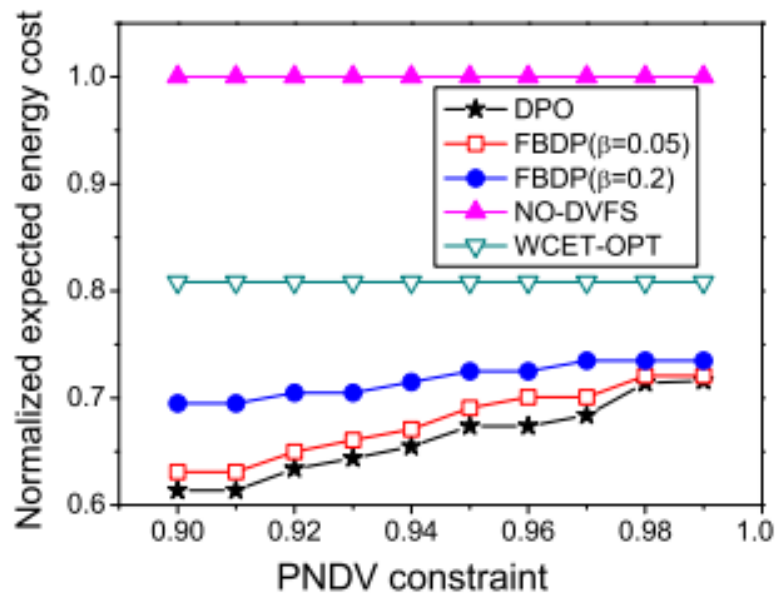
- Deadline -- [30 ms, 2000 ms]
- WCET -- [20 ms, 80 ms]
- PDF -- [Gaussian Distribution, Uniform Distribution or Exponential Distribution]
- Expected values of tasks' execution durations -- [5, 30]
- variances of tasks' execution durations -- [0.2, 2]

Comparing algorithms

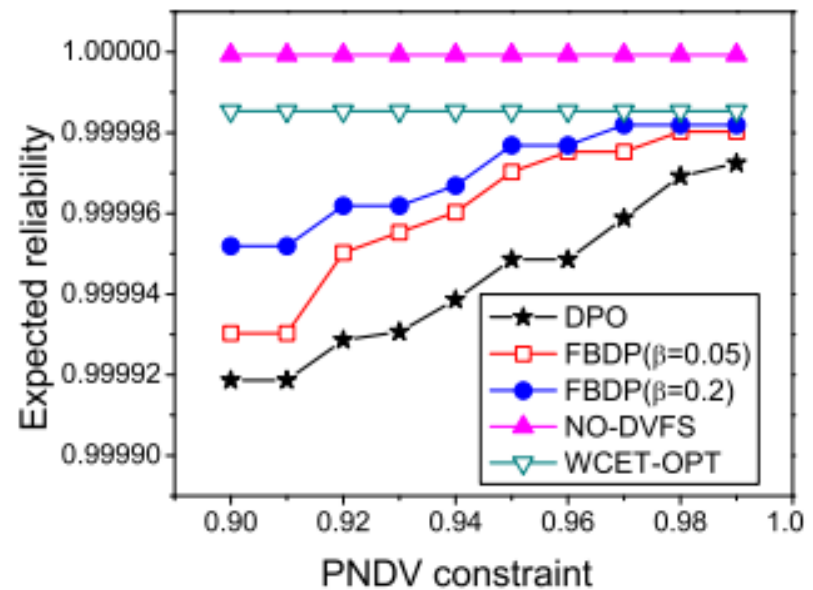
- WCET-OPT -- takes the WCET as the actual execution time of each task;
- NO-DVFS -- ignores DVFS capability of the processor;
- DPO -- Dynamic Programming based Optimization algorithm;
- FBDP -- Fast Bi-search algorithm based on Dynamic Programming.

Experimental Results

Impact of PNDV constrain:



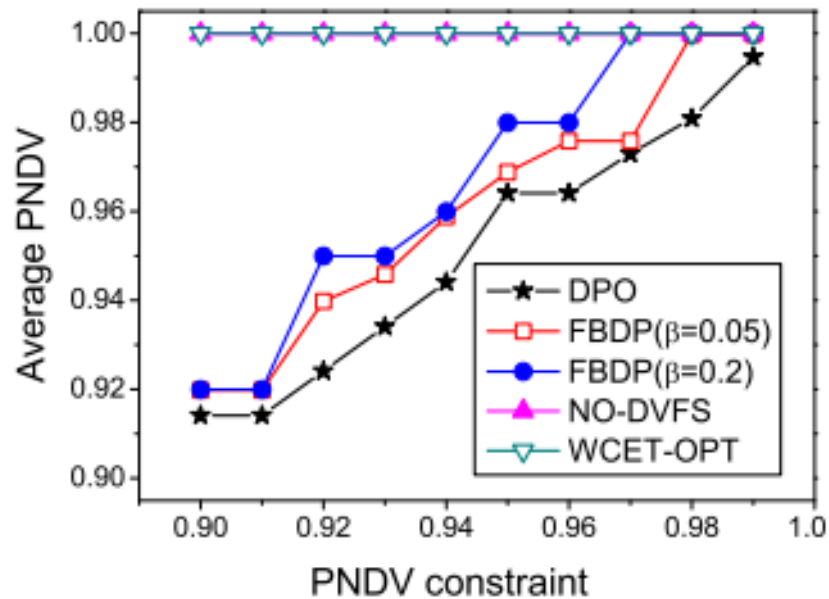
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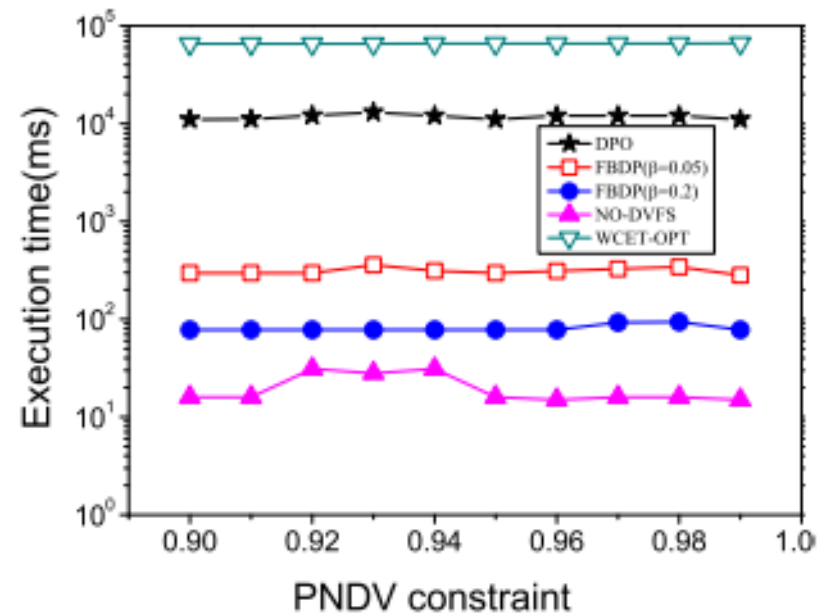
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Experimental Results

Impact of PNDV constrain:



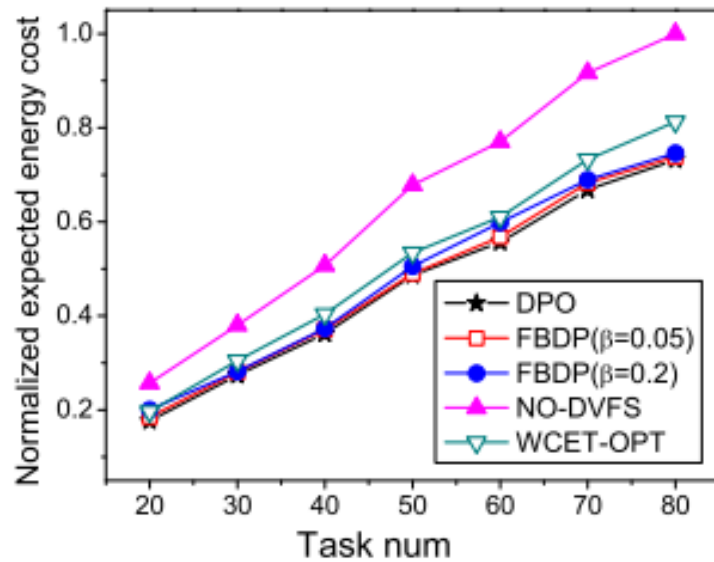
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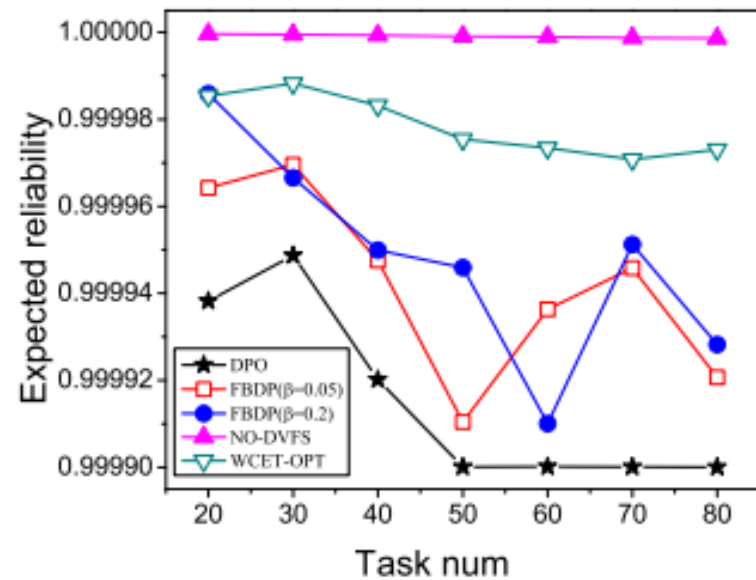
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Experimental Results

Impact of task number:



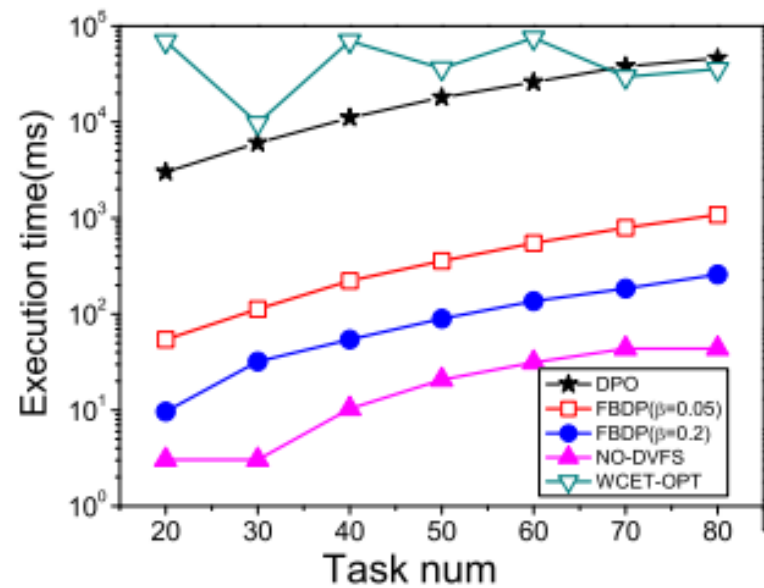
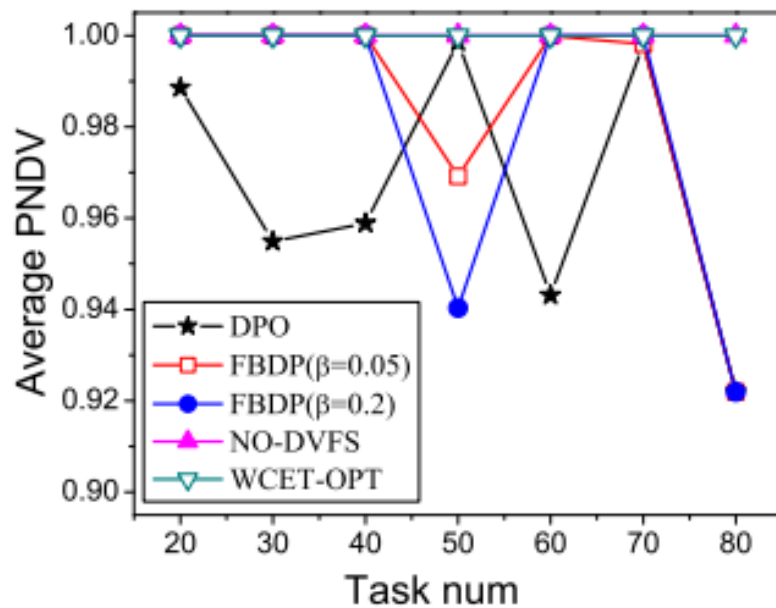
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Experimental Results

Impact of task number:



Experimental Results

A real-life case :

We consider an embedded server like satellite server or radar server, which has to provide services for 30 users within a common period of 3000 ms. The task for each user all arrives at the same time and has to be finished before next period.

<i>PNDV</i>	DPO				FBDP($\beta=0.05$)				WCET-OPT		
Constraint	<i>OEn</i>	<i>NNRV</i>	<i>NNDV</i>	<i>Time(ms)</i>	<i>OEn</i>	<i>NNRV</i>	<i>NNDV</i>	<i>Time(ms)</i>	<i>OEn</i>	<i>NNRV</i>	<i>Time(ms)</i>
0.91	0.71536	9926	289456	6078	0.74269	9930	290386	148	1	10000	35510
0.93	0.71536	9926	289456	8063	0.75317	9951	291323	197	1	10000	35712
0.95	0.76451	9949	292528	6047	0.78376	9973	295008	149	1	10000	35946
0.97	0.84789	9971	295984	7063	0.87254	9979	296121	163	1	10000	36025
0.99	0.92214	9987	298416	6062	0.93998	9989	299367	141	1	10000	36213

Conclusions

- Consider PDFs of tasks' execution into the design problem;
- DVFS is used for energy saving;
- Design FBDP which can achieve approximated optimal solution;
- Experiment results illustrated the effectiveness of proposed technique;
- used Monte Carlo simulation to simulate the stochastic tasks for verifying the proposed approaches.

The end

**That is all my presentation
Thanks for your time**