Periodic task scheduling

Static priorities

- ★Better utilization bounds
- ★Deadlines less than periods
- ★Exact test for schedulability

Quick review

- Why is rate monotonic scheduling optimal (among static priority policies)?
  - Critical instant theorem: The worst-case execution time of a job when tasks are scheduled with fixed priorities occurs when jobs belonging to all tasks release at the same instant
  - It is sufficient, then, to verify that the job that is released at the critical instant meets its deadline
  - In this worst case, rate monotonic scheduling is optimal (easy to see; if tasks are feasibly scheduled in any other order, swap based on deadlines)
- Utilization bound and optimality of EDF
  - The utilization bound is 1 (or 100%)
  - EDF is optimal because no policy can do better (may do as well but not better)

Exercise

Know Your Worst Case Scenario

- Consider a periodic system of two tasks
- Let $U_i = C_i/P_i$ (for $i = 1,2$)
- What is the maximum value of $\Pi_i(1-U_i)$ for a schedulable system?
- Motivation: There may be other functions of a task set rather then just utilization that also indicate schedulability.

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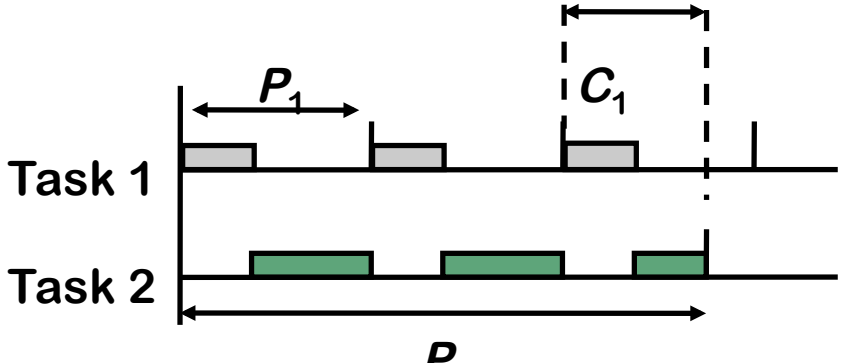

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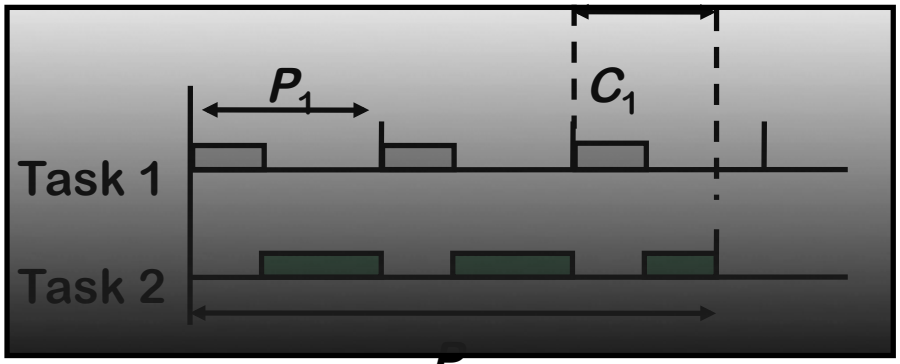

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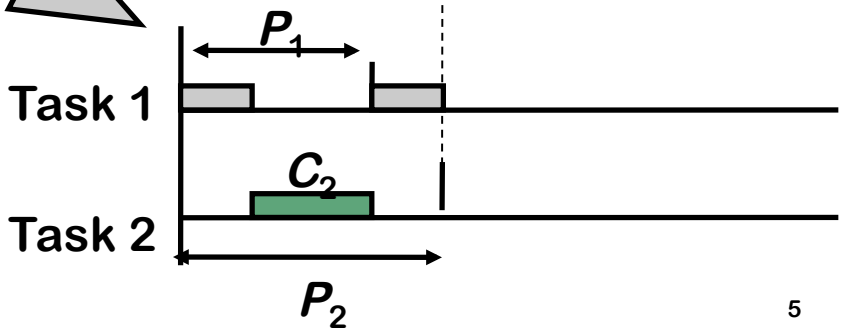

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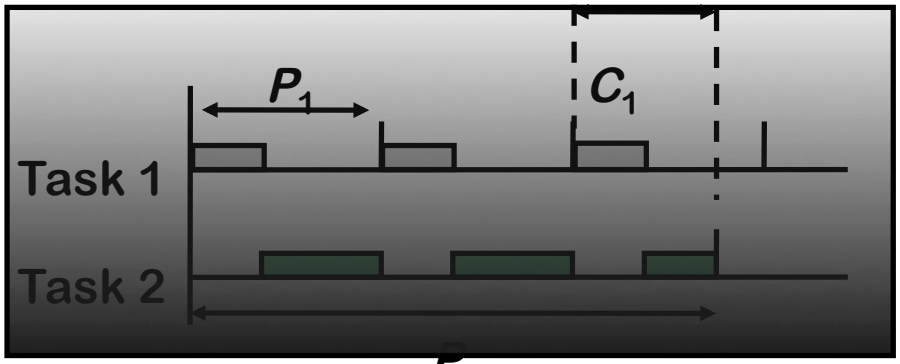

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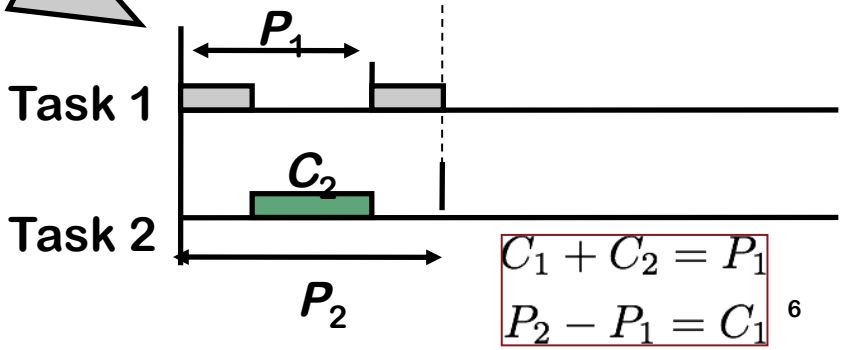

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- It is a better bound than the Liu and Layland bound $U \leq n(2^{1/n} - 1)$
- Example: consider a system with two tasks such that U_1=0.8 and U_2=0.1
- U = 0.9 > 0.83 (unschedulable according to the Liu and Layland bound)
- $(1+U_1)(1+U_2)$ = (1.8)(1.1) = 1.98 < 2 (schedulable according to the hyperbolic bound)

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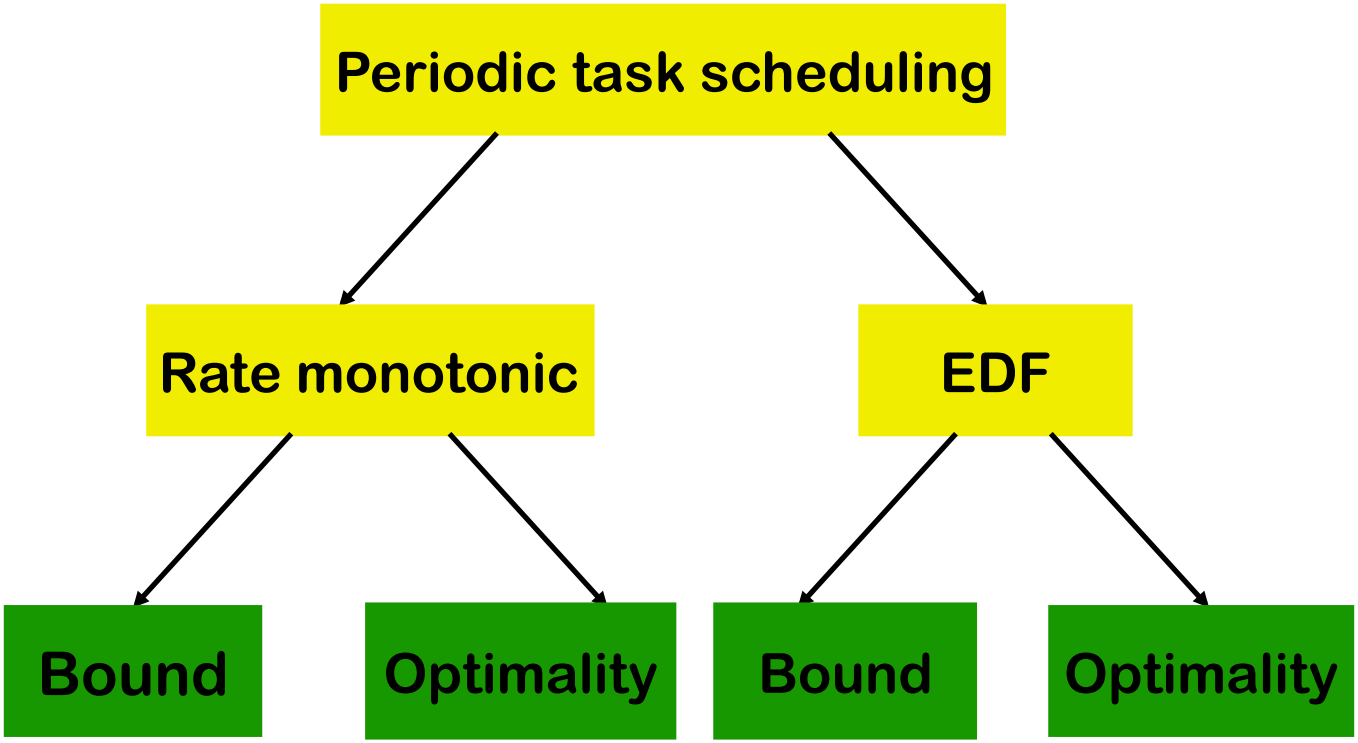

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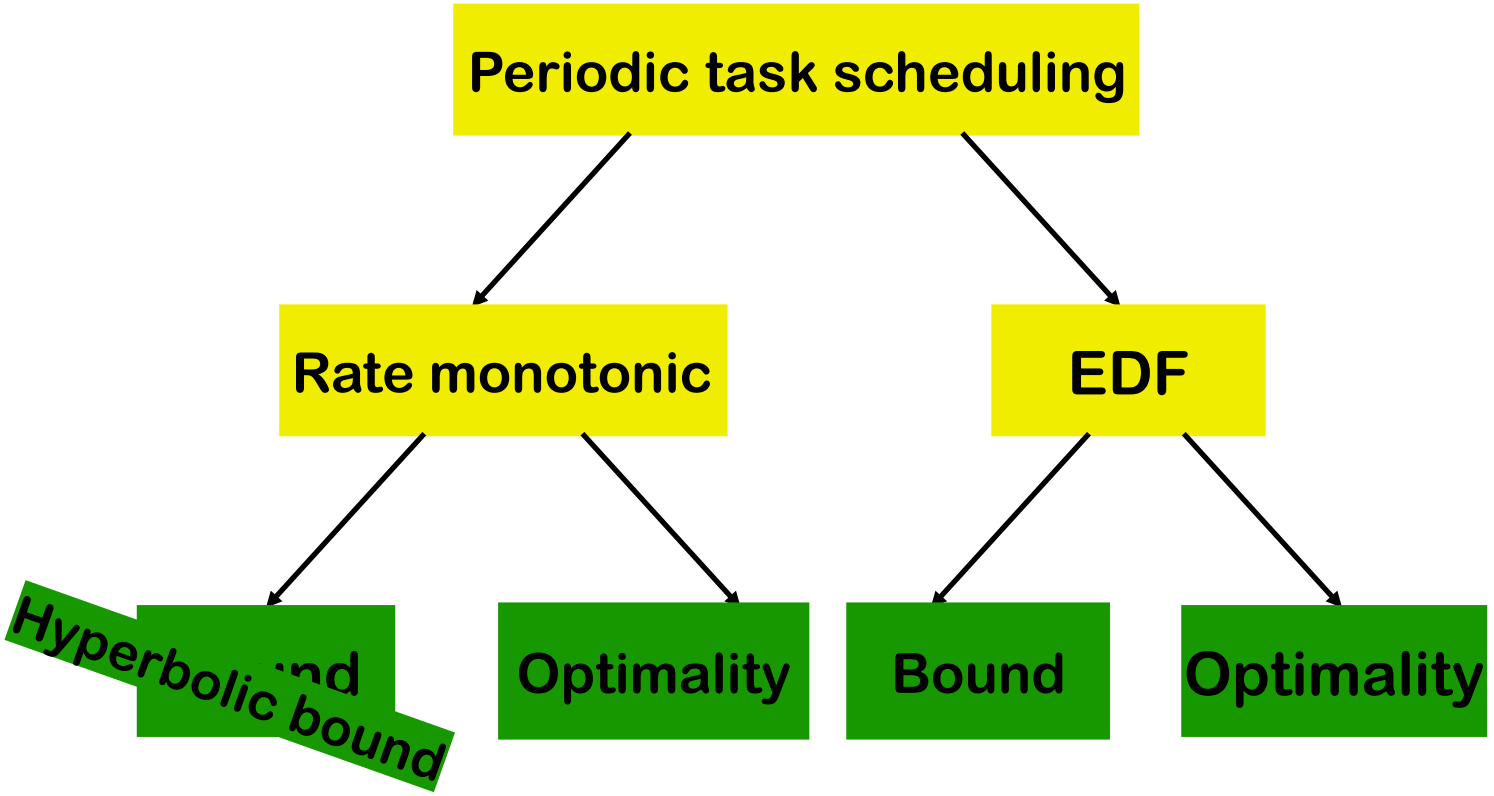

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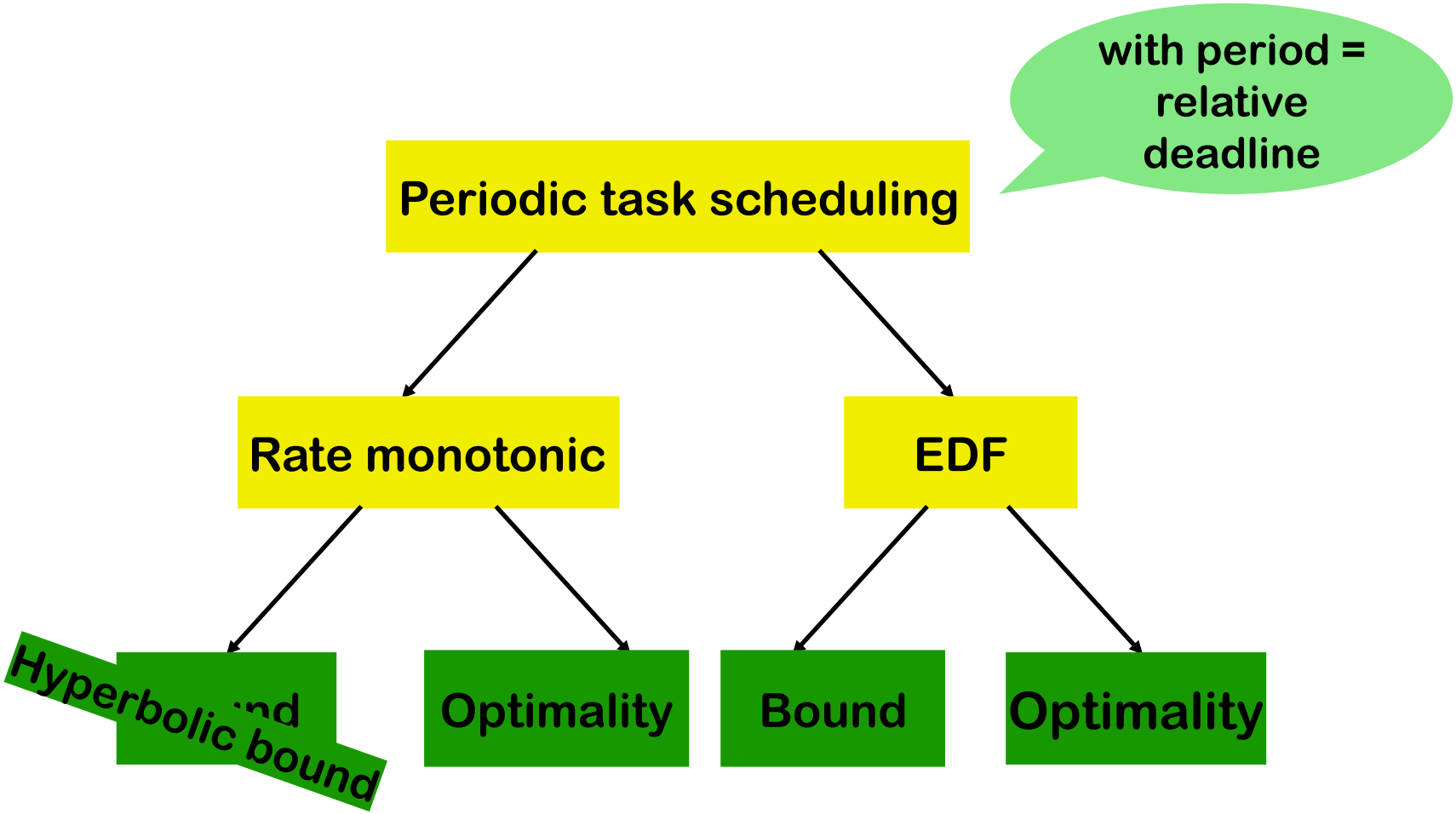

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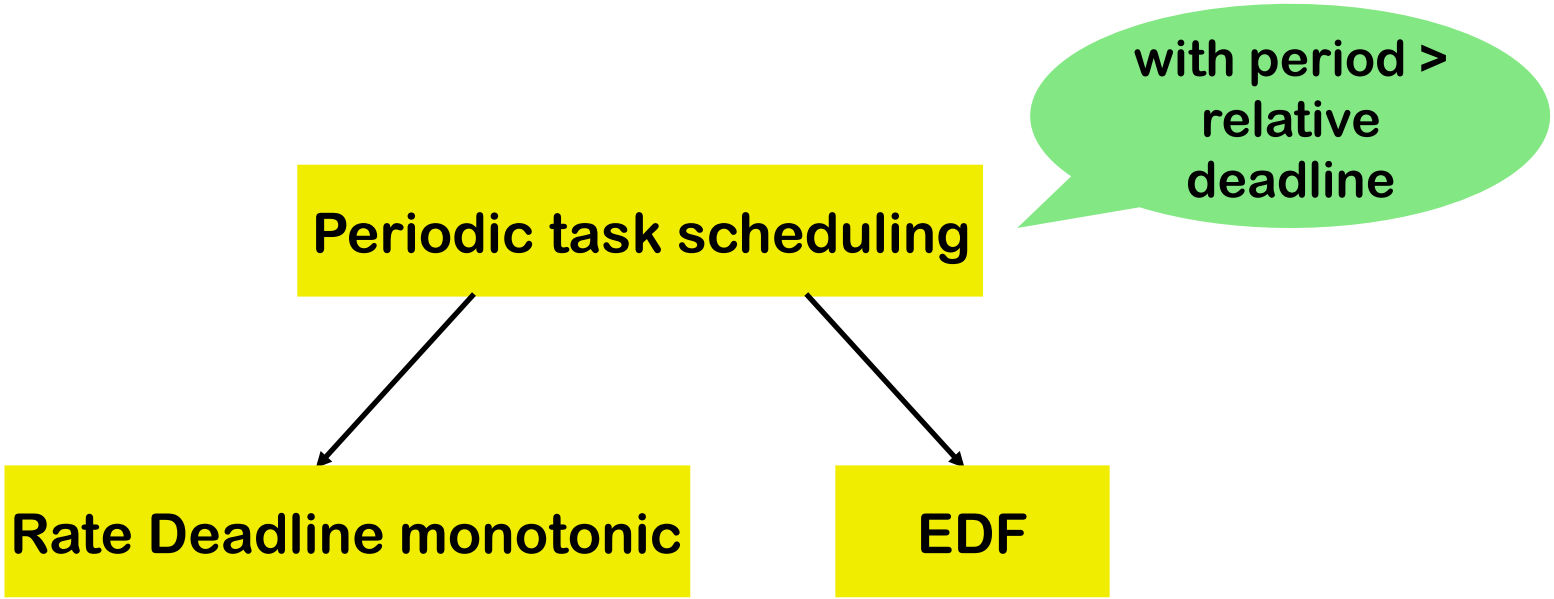

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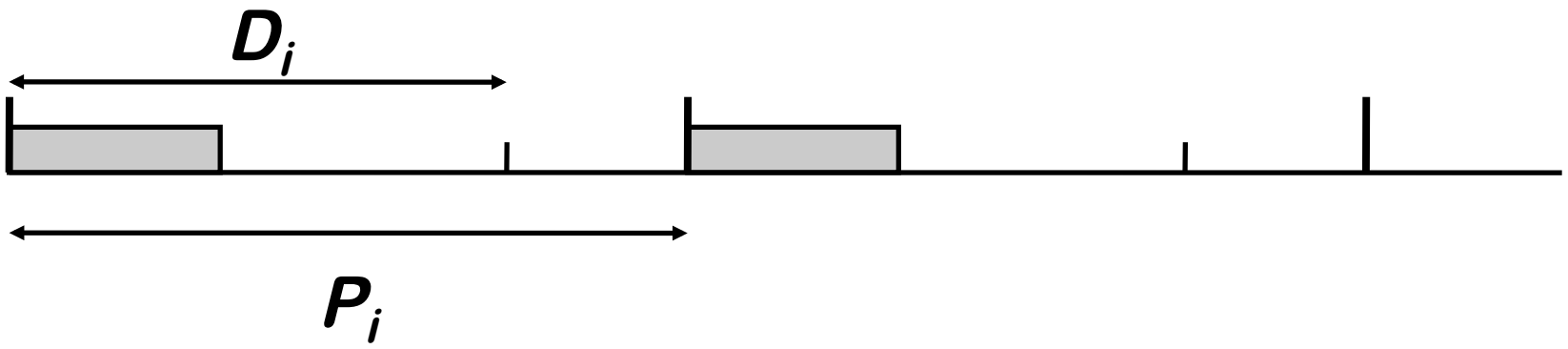

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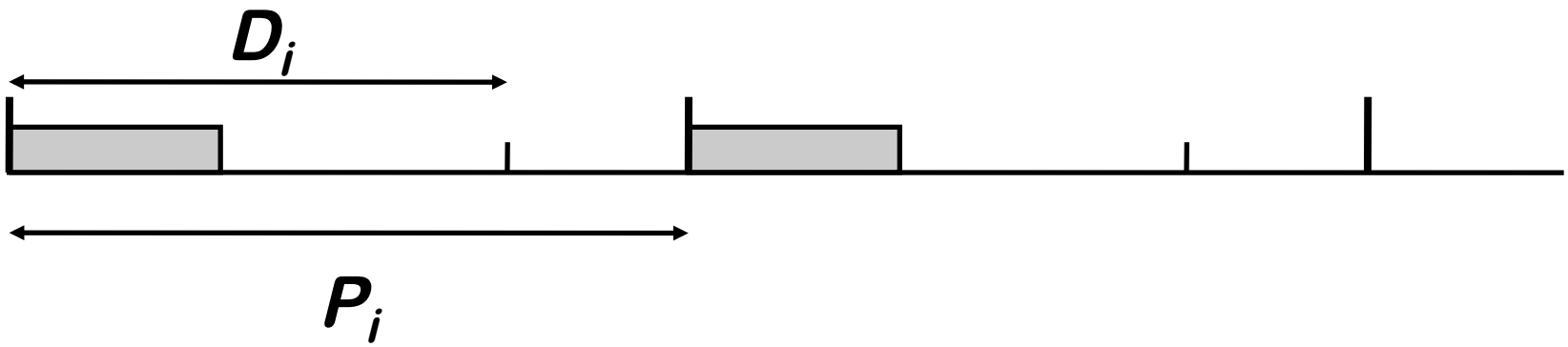

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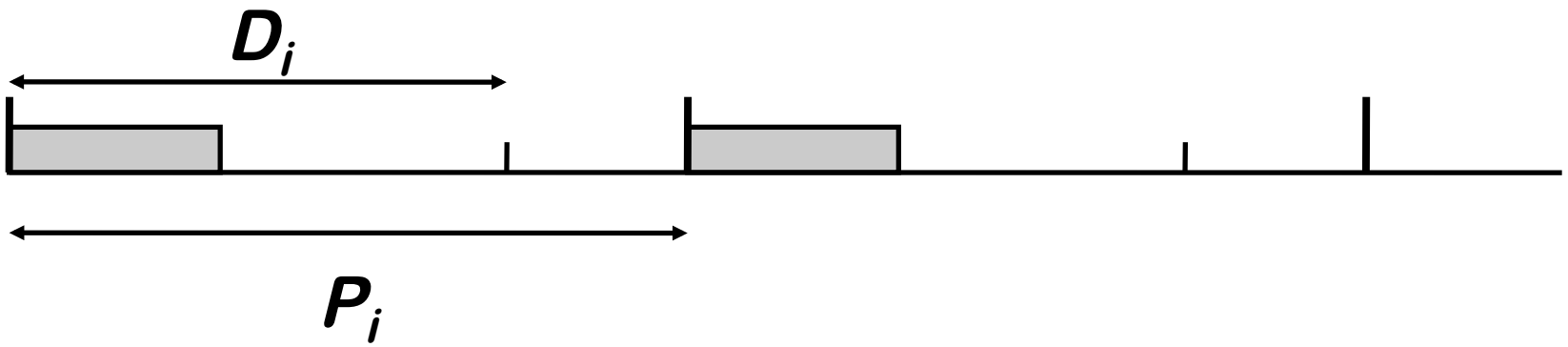

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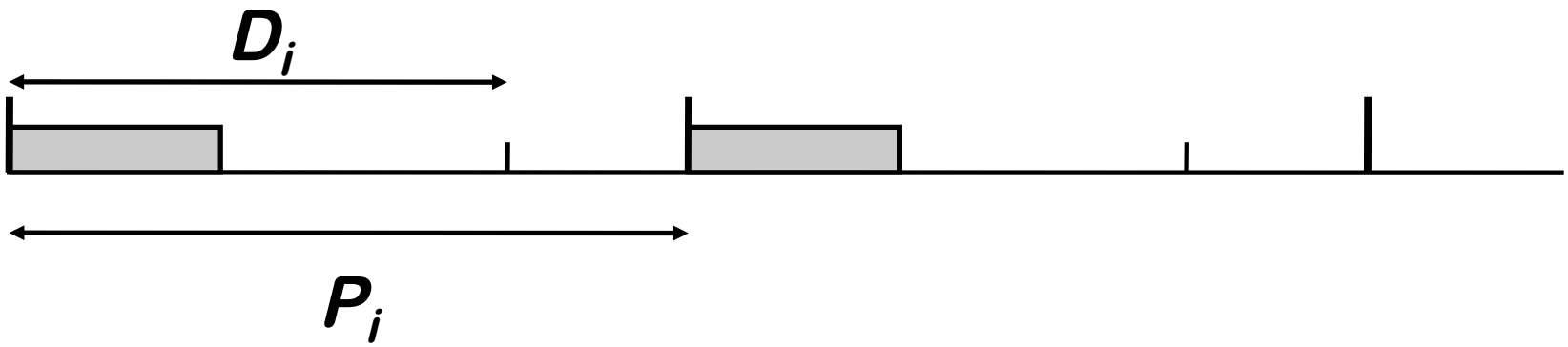

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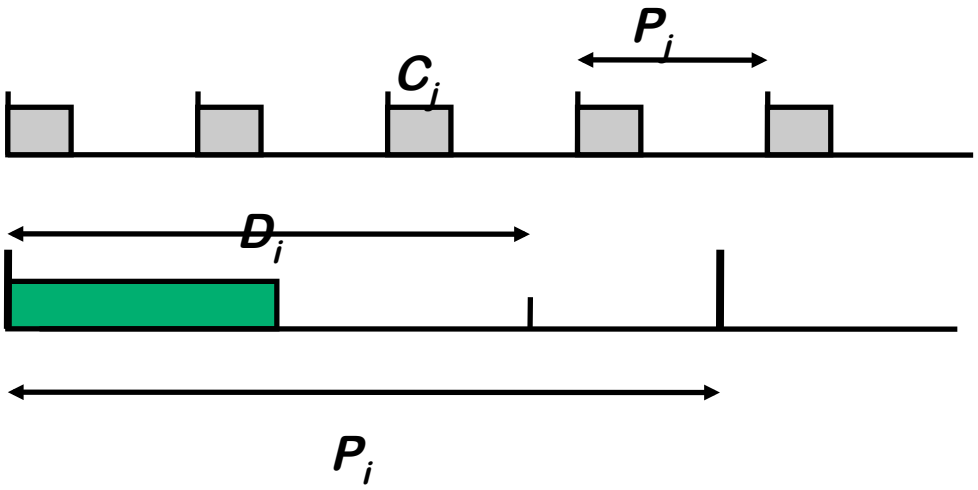

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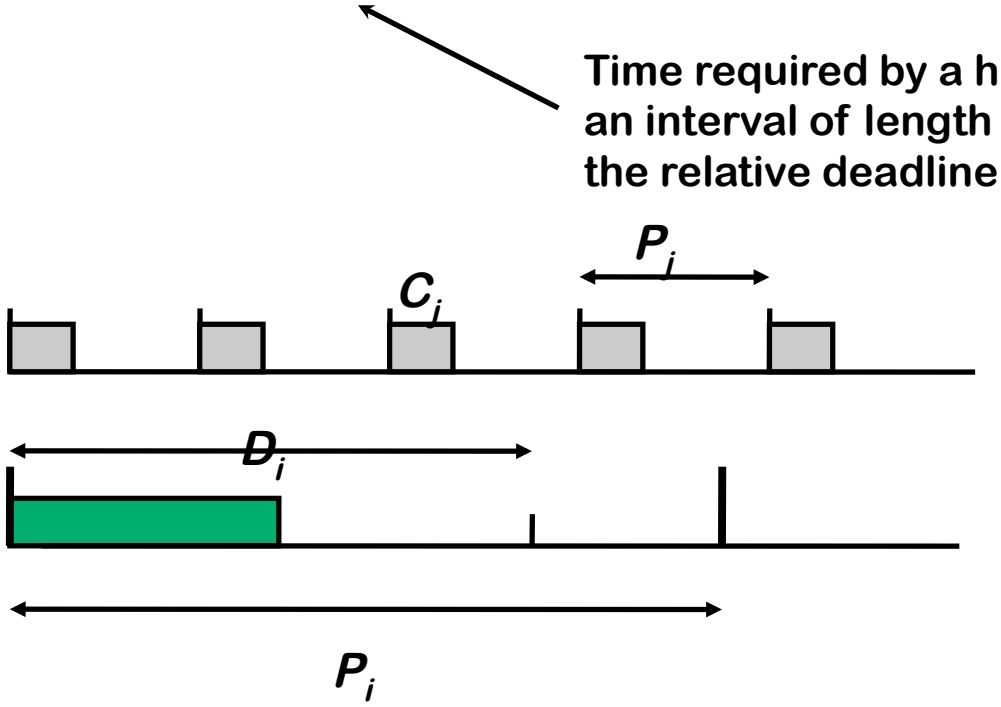

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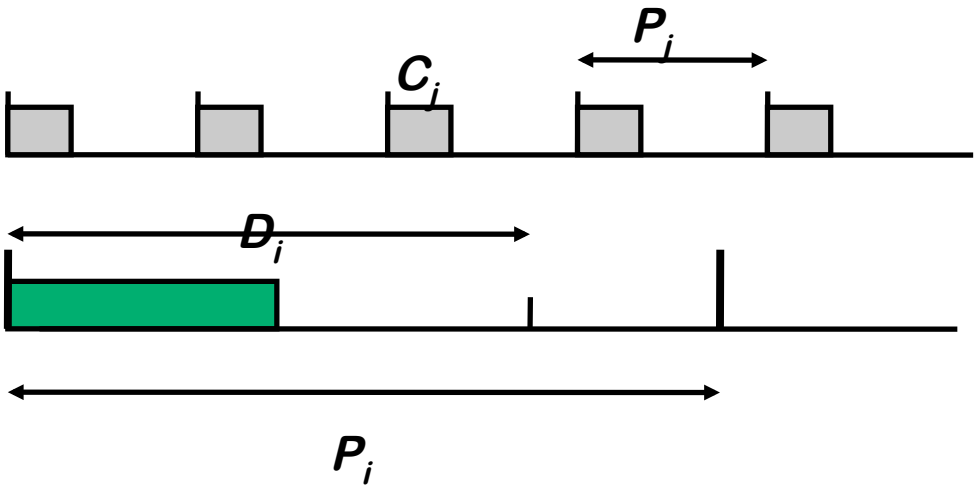

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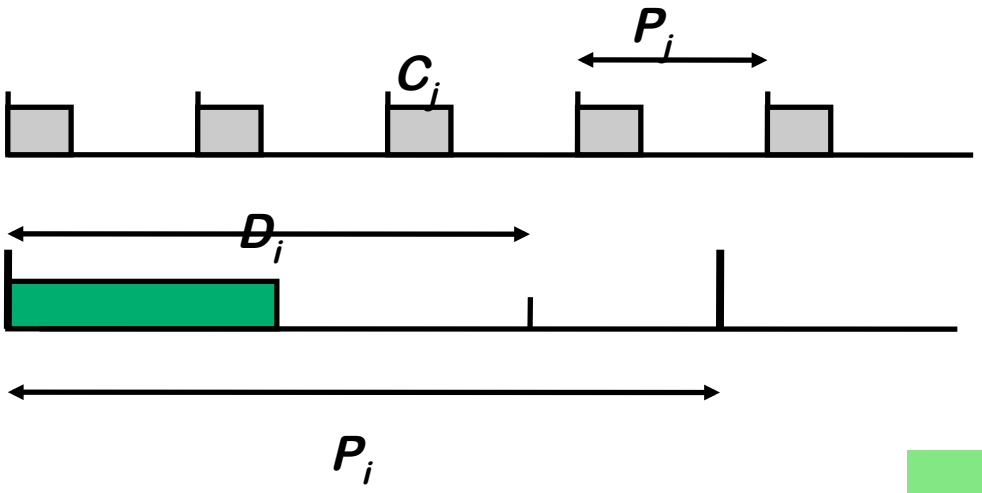

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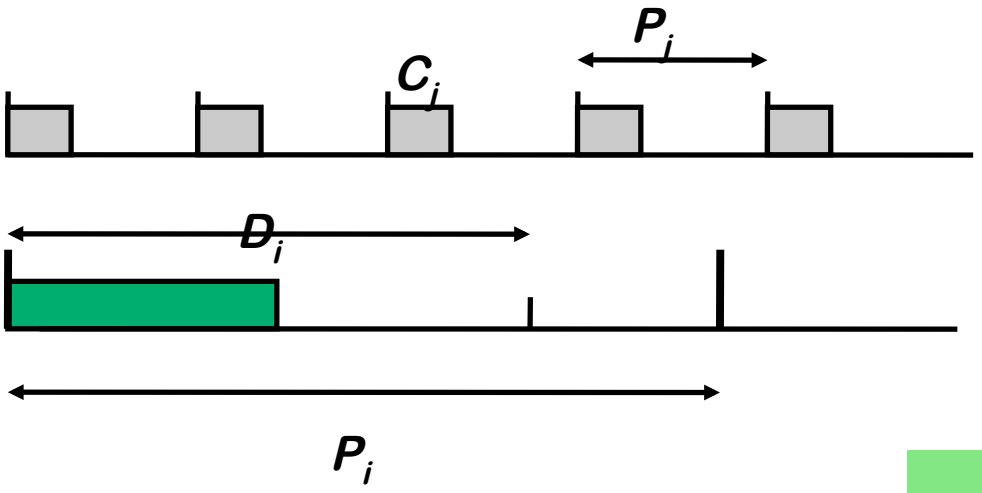

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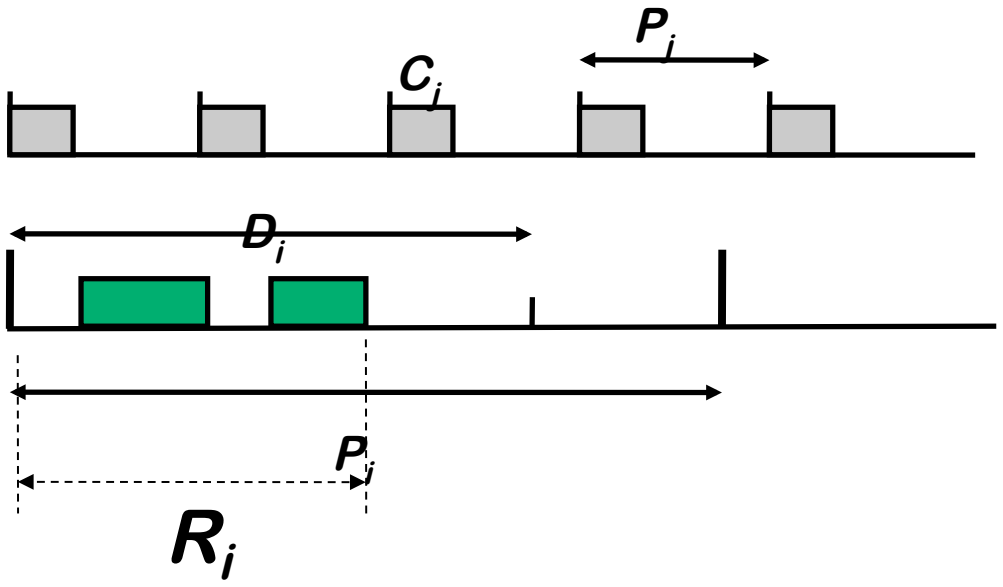

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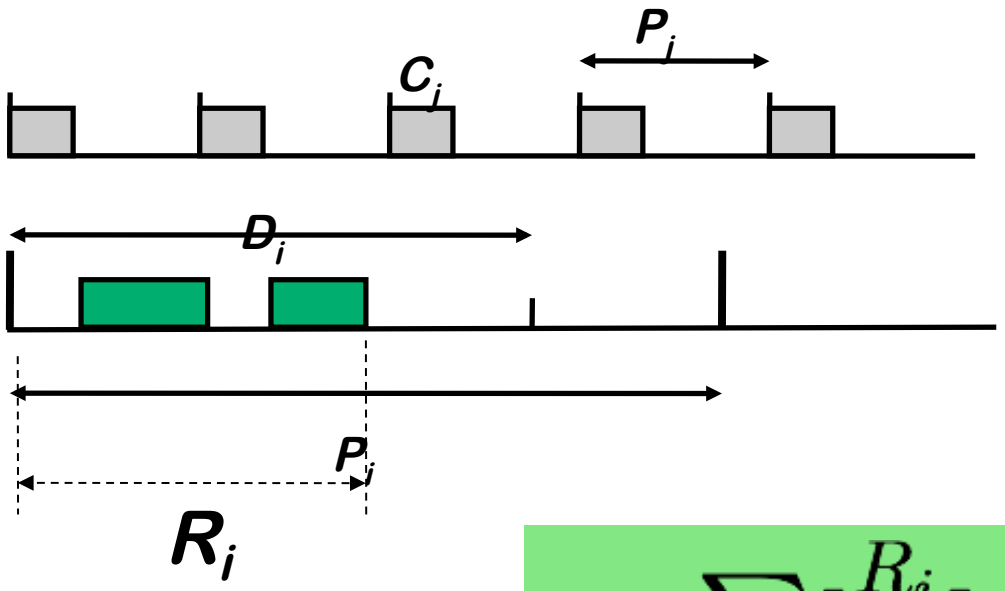

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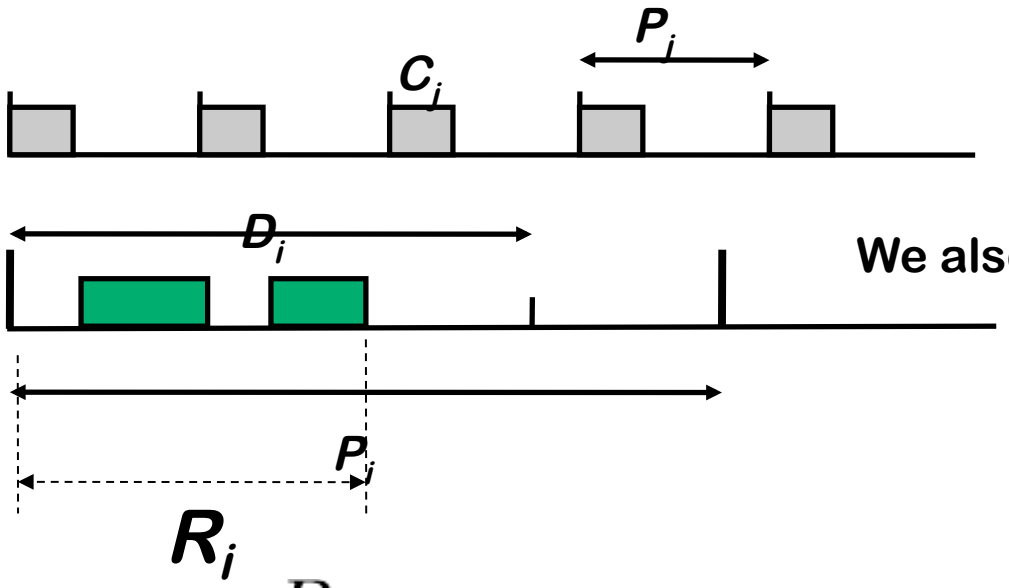

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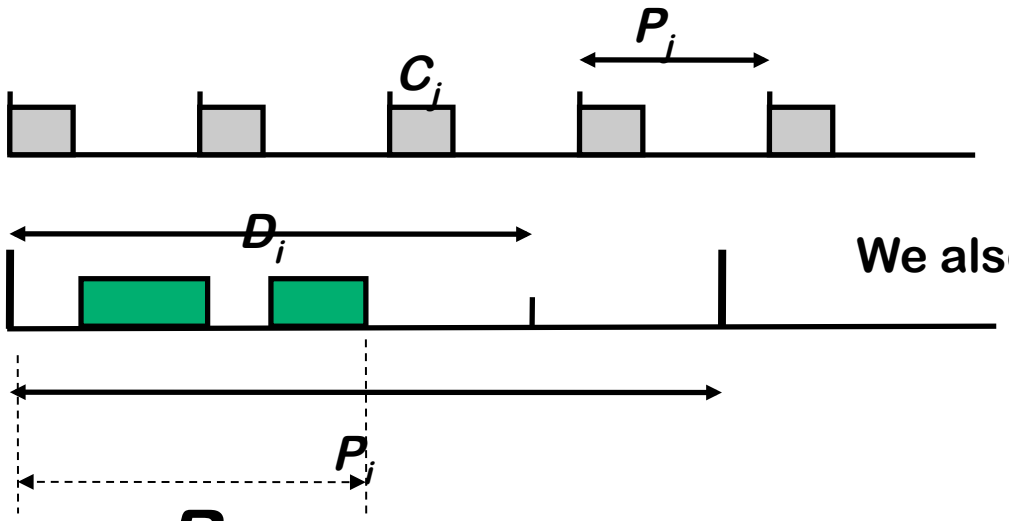

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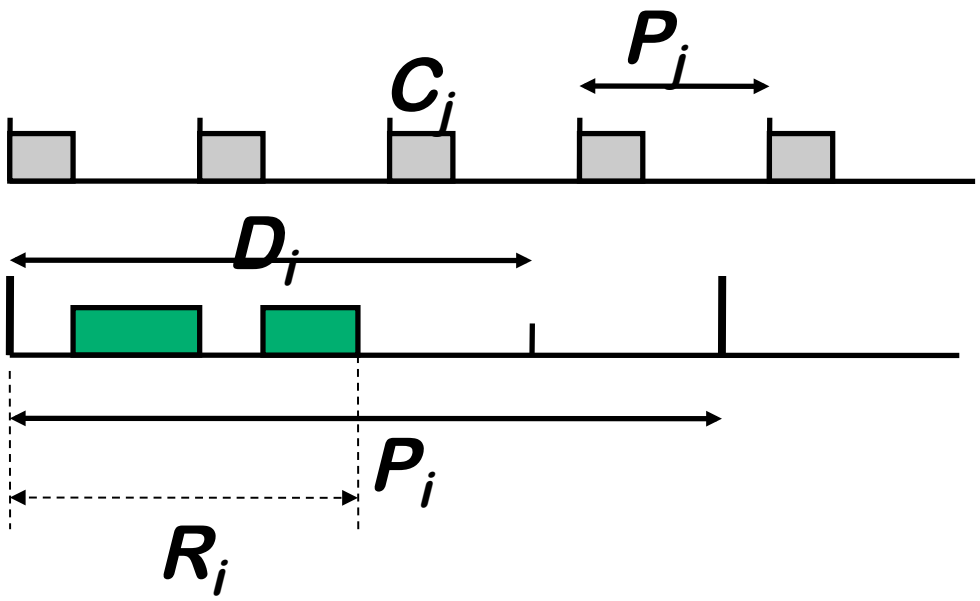

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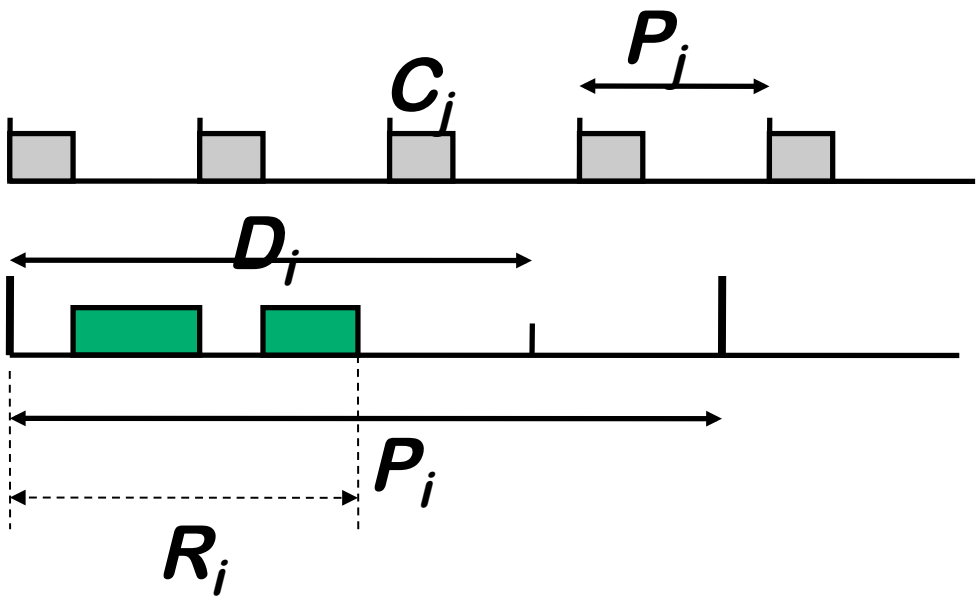

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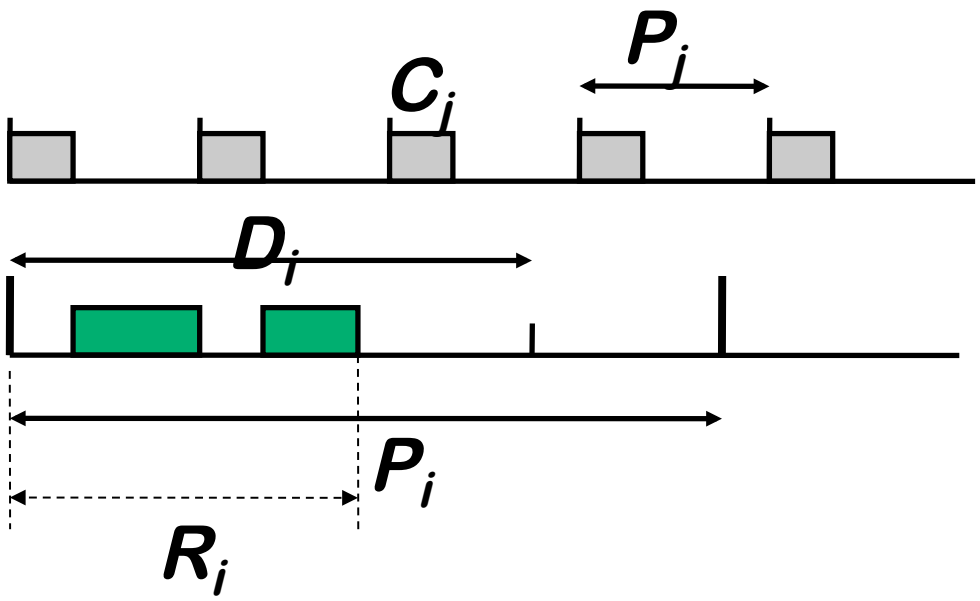

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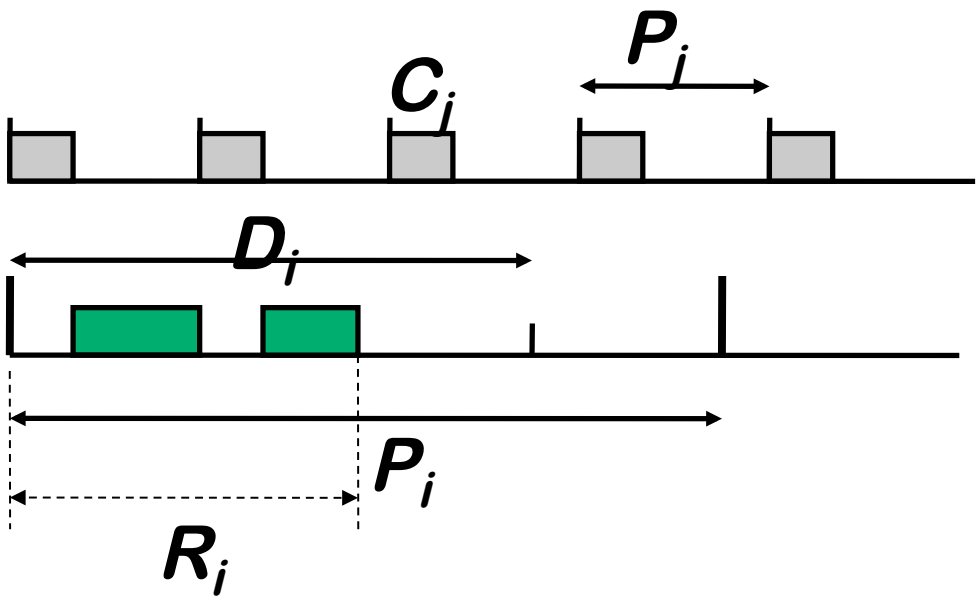

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3 < 3.2; Task 2 is schedulable.

Lecture summary

- There are better utilization bounds than the Liu & Layland utilization bound: the hyperbolic bound
- When the relative deadline of a task is less than its period, we can apply utilization bounds
  - But such tests are even more pessimistic than normal
- We can apply exact tests for schedulability when deadlines are less than or equal to periods
  - Such tests require more computation
  - Iterative process

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