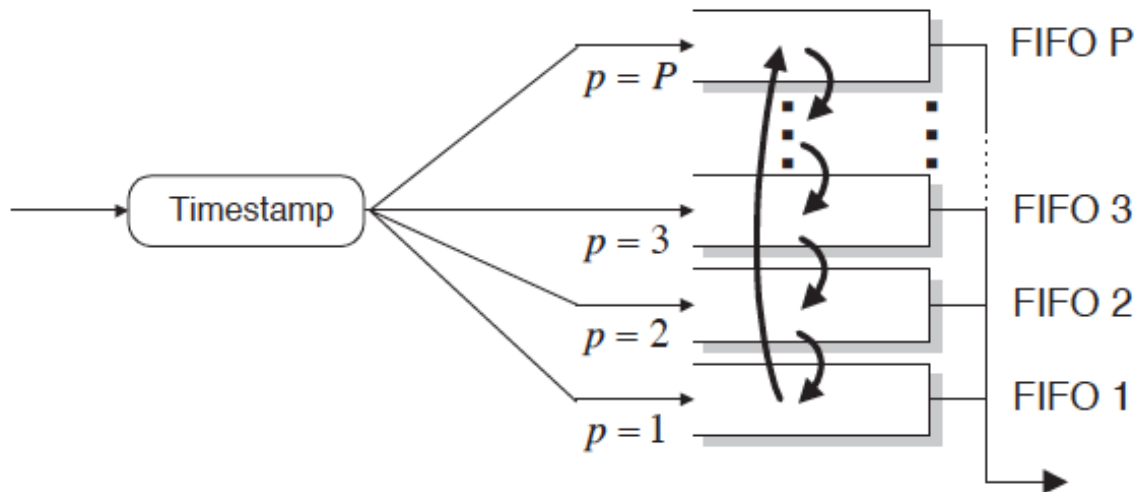


Rotating Priority Queues

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- **Idea:**

- Approximate a sorted scheduler queue (e.g., EDF, WFQ) by FIFO queues
- FIFO queues are periodically rearranged (“rotated”)



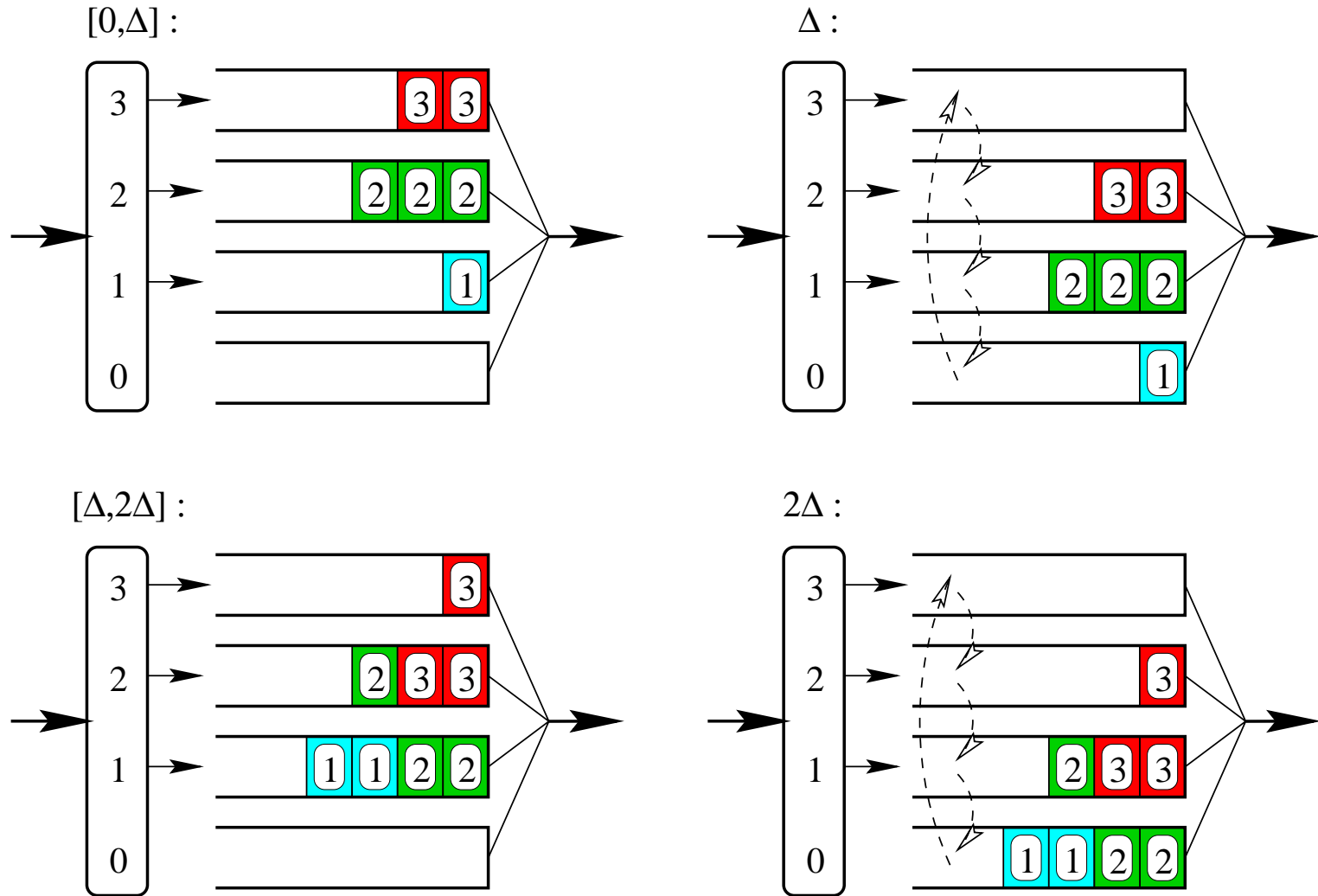
- Here: Approximate Earliest-Deadline-First with FIFO queue

Rotating-Priority-Queues (RPQ)

Design Principles:

- P priority sets.
- $P + 1$ FIFO queues with labels.
- Relabel queues every Δ time units.
- One delay bound for each priority set: $d_p = p \cdot \Delta$.

RPQ Scheduler

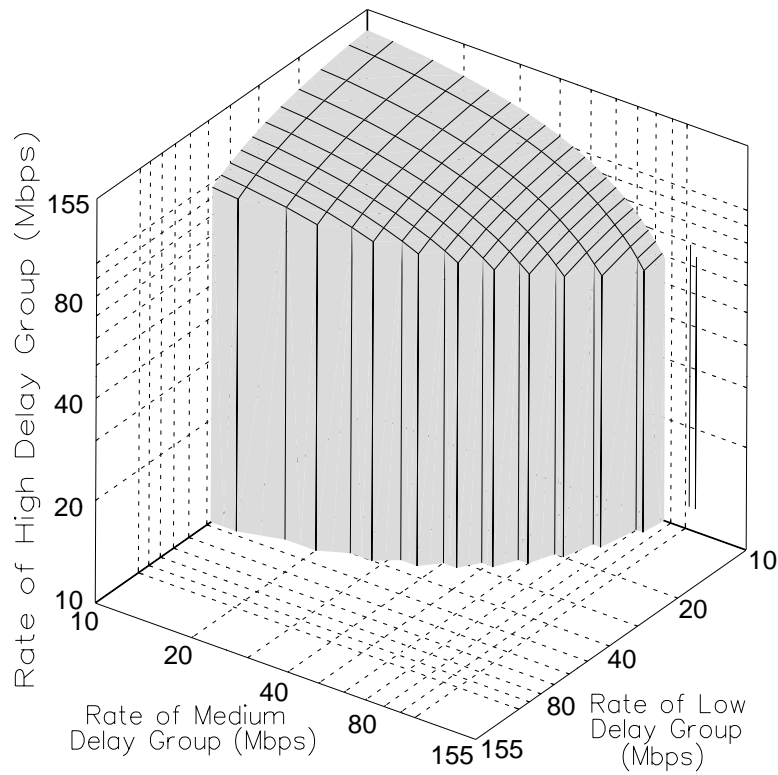


Experimental Setup

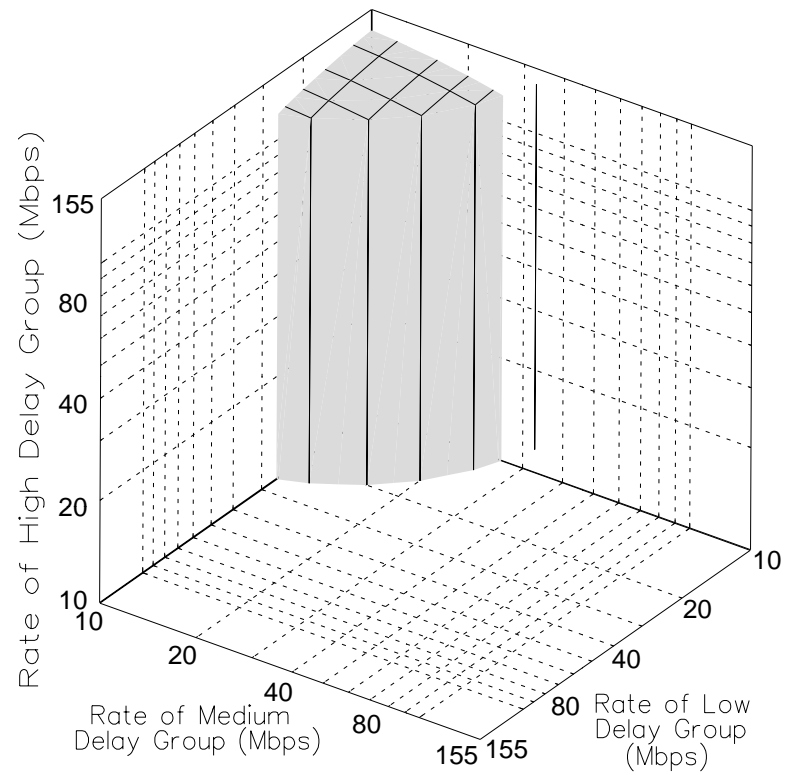
- Single 155 Mbps switch.
- Three connection groups *Low, Medium, High Delay*.

	Index j	Delay Bound d_j	Burst Size B_j	Rate r_j
<i>Low</i>	1	12 ms	4,000 cells	10-155 Mbps
<i>Medium</i>	2	24 ms	2,000 cells	10-155 Mbps
<i>High</i>	3	36 ms	4,000 cells	10-155 Mbps

Evaluation

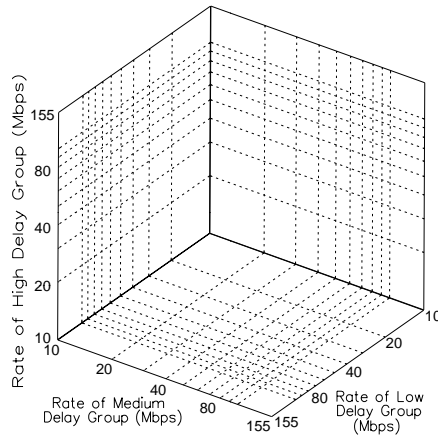


EDF

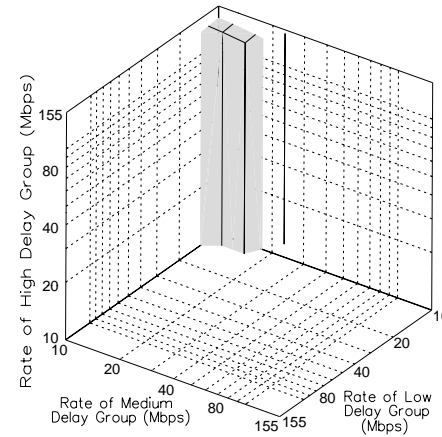


SP

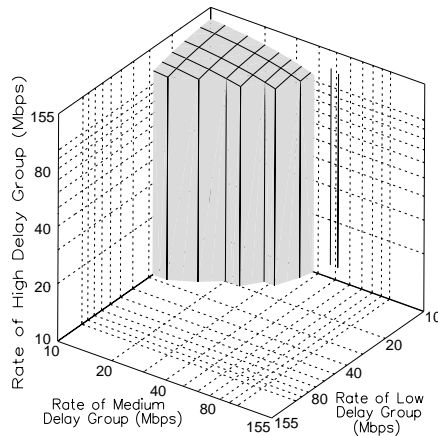
Evaluation of RPQ



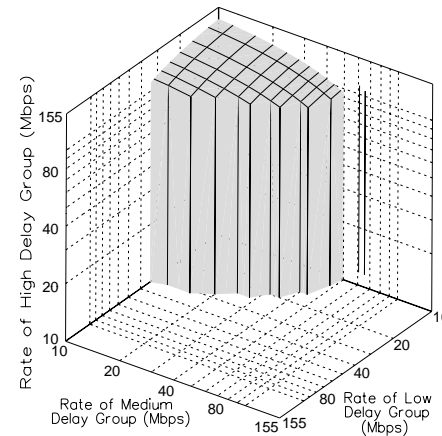
RPQ ($\Delta = 12ms$; 6 FIFOs)



RPQ ($\Delta = 6ms$; 12 FIFOs)



RPQ ($\Delta = 4ms$; 18 FIFOs)



RPQ ($\Delta = 3ms$; 24 FIFOs)

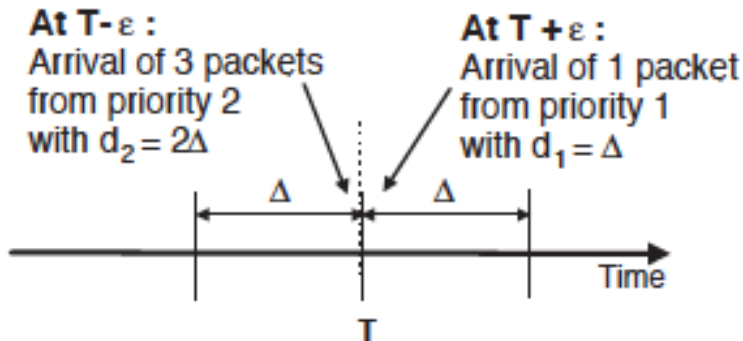
Rotating Anomaly

- For $\Delta \rightarrow 0$: RPQ = EDF
- For $\Delta \rightarrow \infty$: RPQ = SP
- For Δ small: RPQ is worse than SP

- Why?

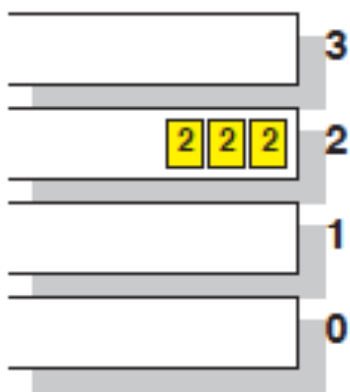
Rotation Anomaly

Arrival scenario:

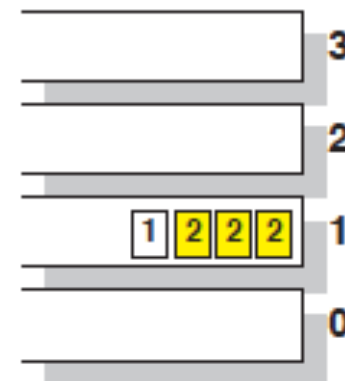


delay bounds:
priority 1: Δ
priority 2: 2Δ

at $T - \epsilon$:



at $T + \epsilon$:



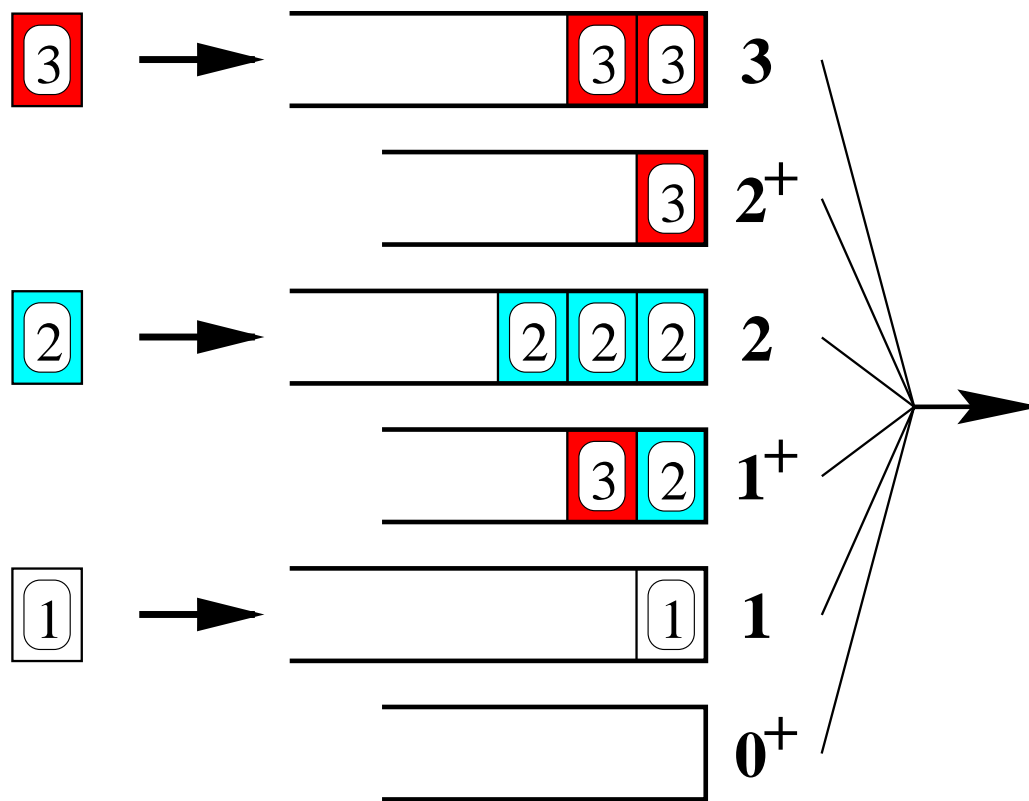
- Observation: Rotation can put packets with a later deadline ahead ("deadline inversion")
- Can rotation anomaly be avoided?

Rotating-Priority-Queues⁺ (RPQ⁺)

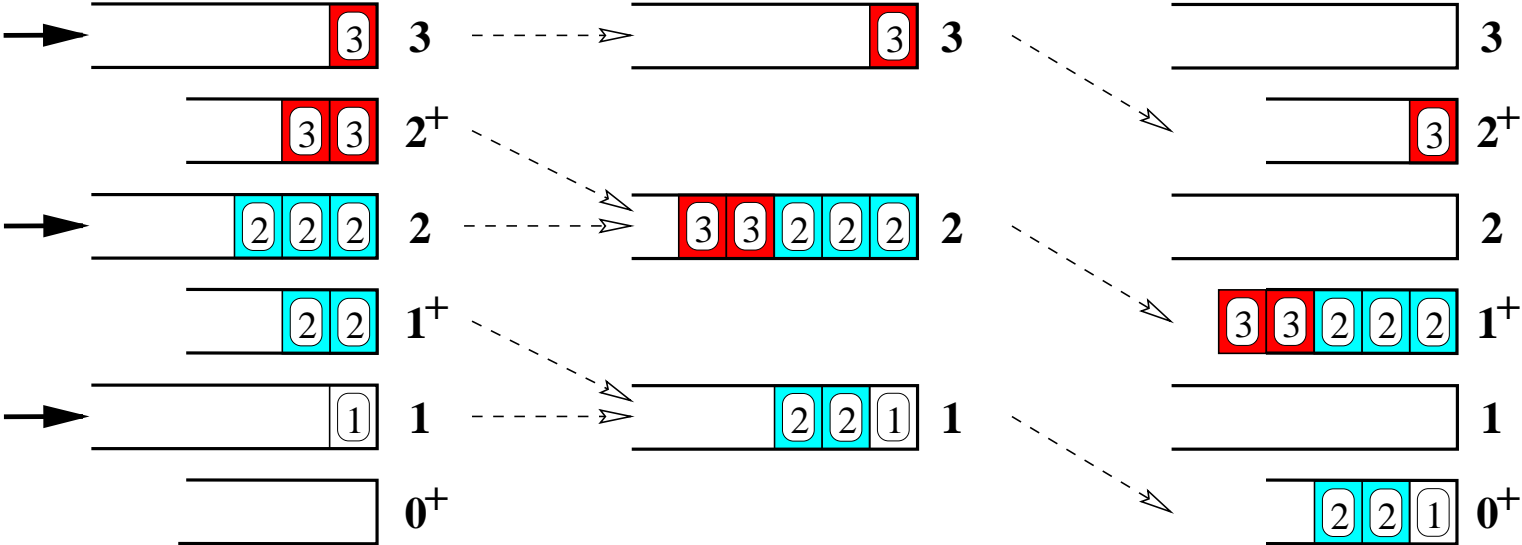
Design Principles:

- P priority sets.
- $2P$ FIFO queues with labels.
- Relabel queues every Δ time units.
- One delay bound for each priority set: $d_p = p \cdot \Delta$.

RPQ⁺ Scheduler



RPQ⁺ Queue Rotation

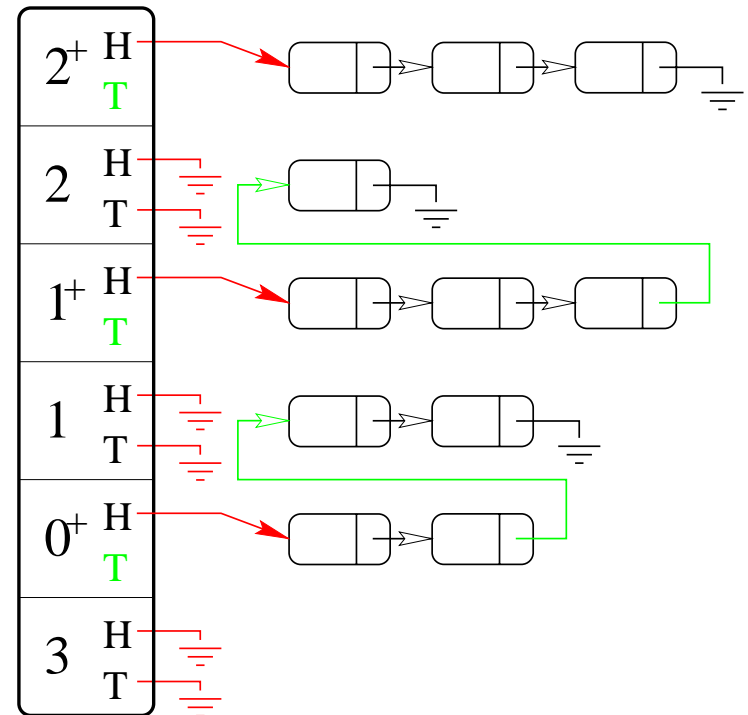
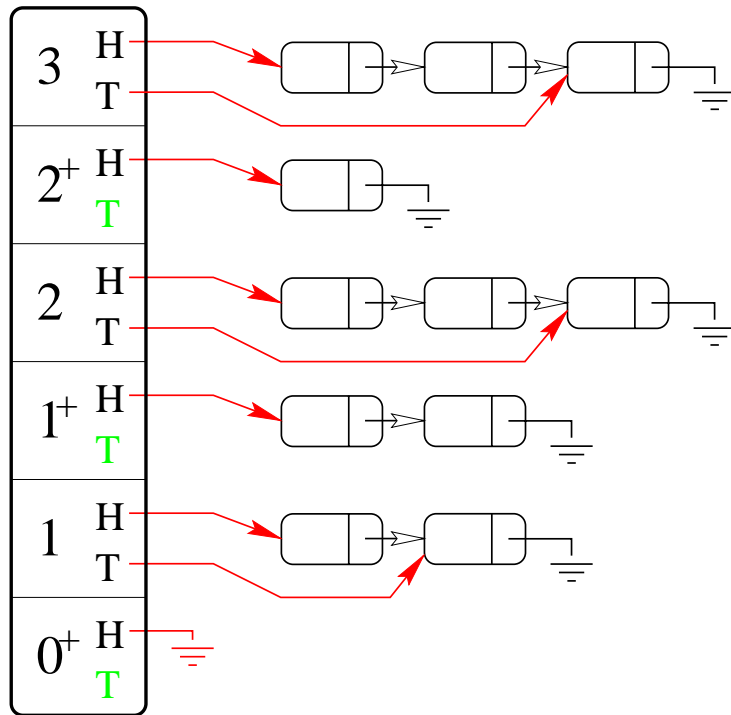


Before rotation.

Step 1:
"Concatenation"

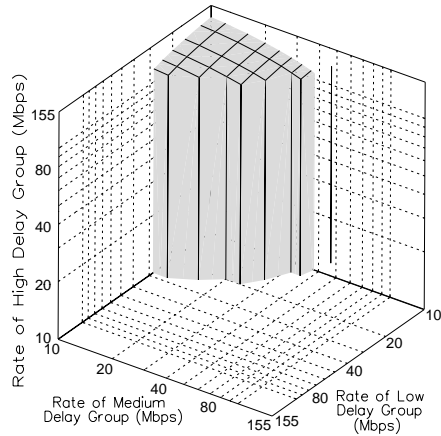
Step 2:
"Promotion"

Implementating RPQ⁺ in Shared Memory

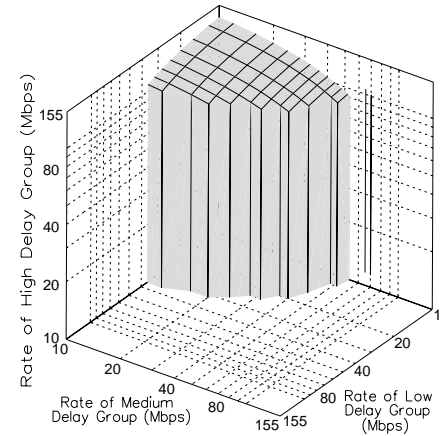


- No movement of packets.
- Operations independent of queued packets.

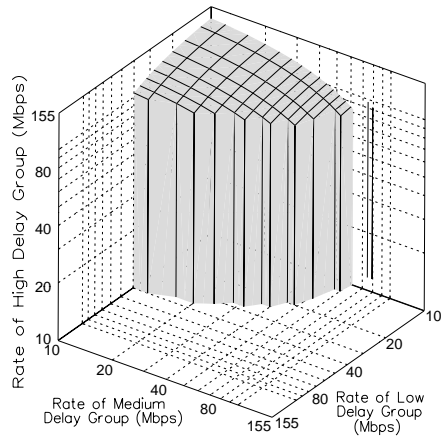
Evaluation of RPQ⁺



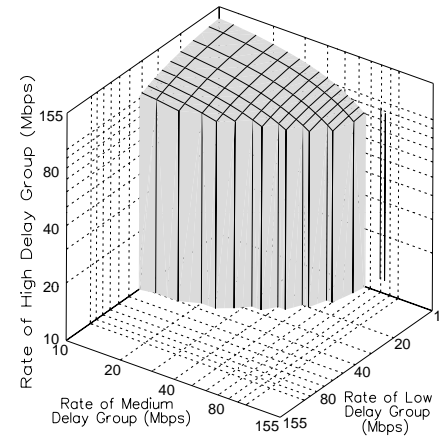
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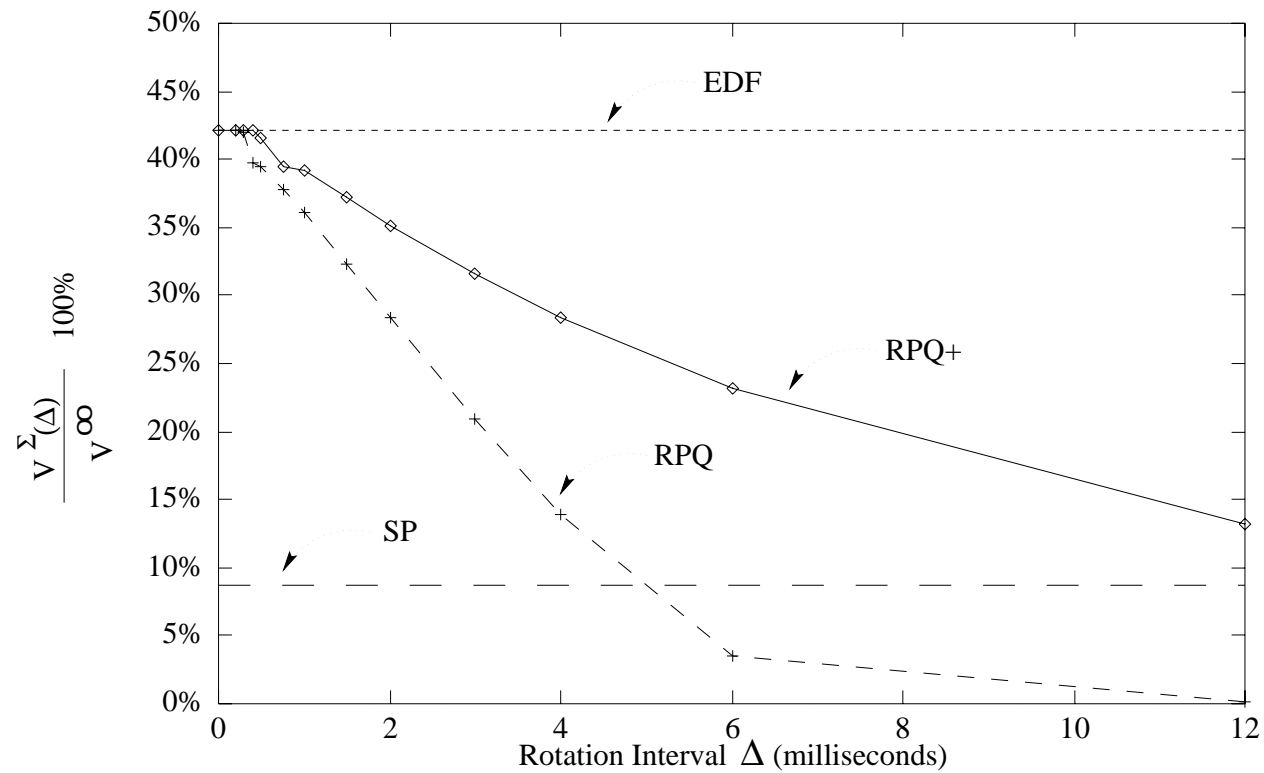


RPQ⁺ ($\Delta = 3ms$; 24 FIFOs)

Summary of Evaluation

- Compare volume of the schedulable regions:

$$\frac{V^{\Sigma}(\Delta)}{V^{\infty}} \cdot 100\%$$



Summary of R_{PQ}⁺

- For $\Delta \rightarrow 0$: R_{PQ}⁺ = EDF
- For $\Delta \rightarrow \infty$: R_{PQ}⁺ = SP
- For Δ small: R_{PQ}⁺ always better than SP
- No rotation anomaly.