

Background

Real-time operating systems play a crucial role in industrial control and embedded systems, ensuring timely response and stability of tasks.







Xenomai, as a powerful realtime operating system, holds significant importance and promising prospects in industrial control systems.





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The advantages and challenges of the widespread application of virtualization technology in industrial control systems.





Objectives



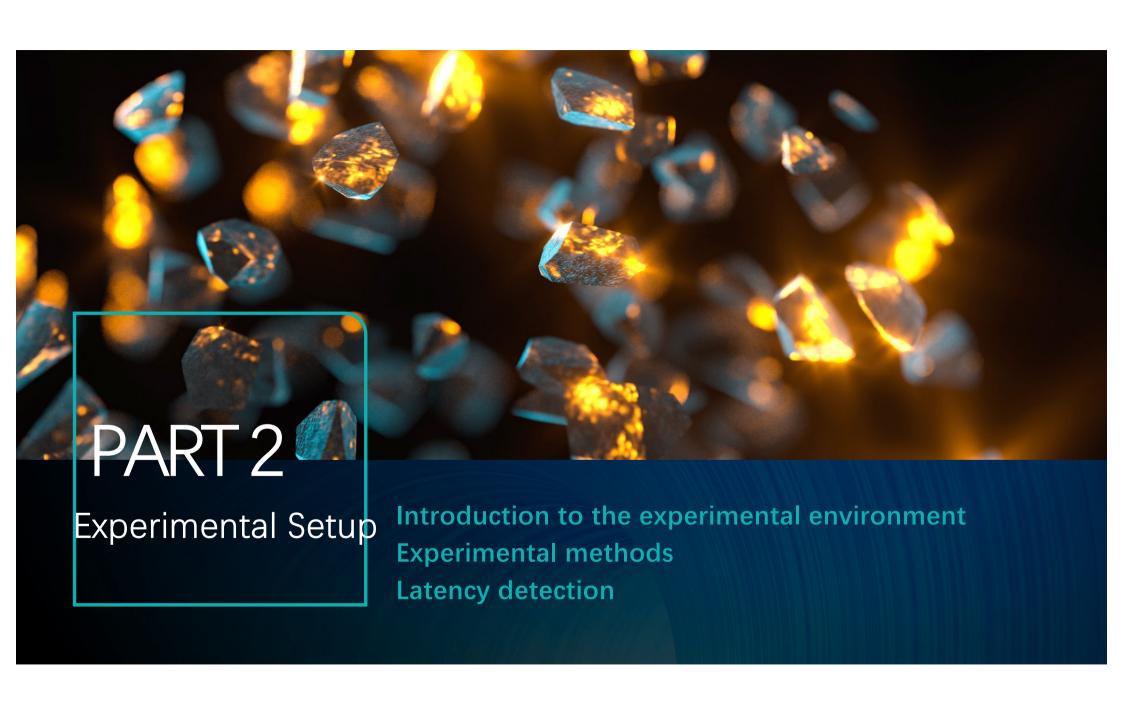
Performance evaluation of the Xenomai real-time operating system in virtualized environments and the impact of virtualization technology on real-time operating systems.



Investigating performance optimization and improvement measures to provide guidance for future applications and research.



Exploring the demands and expectations for the application of the Xenomai real-time operating system in virtualized environments.



Experimental Environment

1 Environment

VMware ESXI 6.7/ESXI 8.0

Dell 5820 Tower(DDR4 16GB*4 RTX A2000)

Industrial Personal Computer

Xenomai-3.2+Linux 5.10

Network boot

2 Test

CPU & GPU Test Latency Test

Experimental methods

Stress Test – 3DMark

GPU Score	Individual		concurrent	
/CPU Score	GPU1	GPU2	GPU1	GPU2
Avg	615.3/1651.3	5763.6/6893	627.6/1656.6	5779.3/6333.3

GPU Score ESXI		Physical	
/CPU Score	9840/5817	9983/5814	

Direct pass-through of graphics cards on ESXi, as well as CPU and GPU performance on virtual platforms, are both feasible.

Experimental methods

Deployment on Virtual and Physical Platforms

Xenomai-3.2+Linux 5.10

Network boot

Windows

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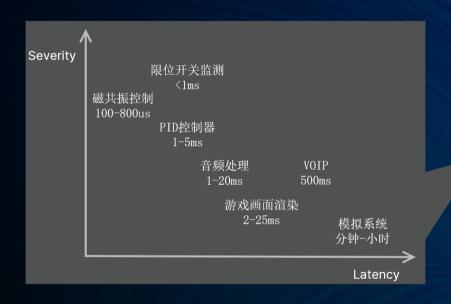
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Physical Platform

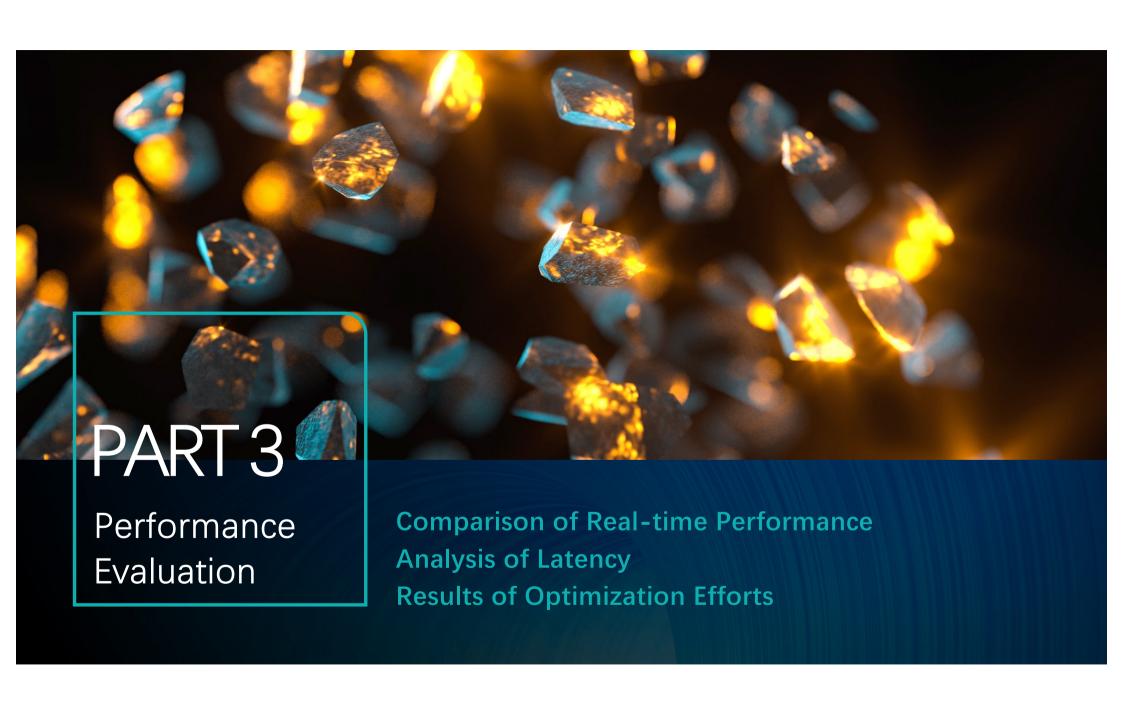
Latency Detection

Performance Test Tools and Standards

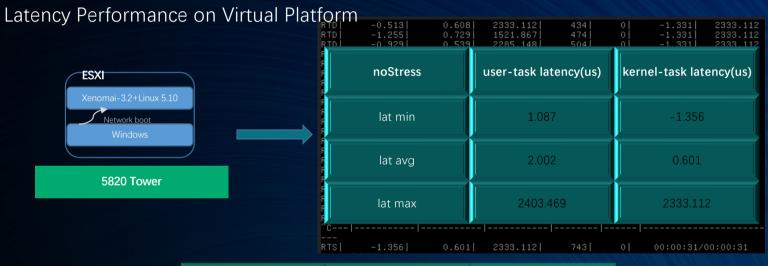


Own Testing Software

Running the Software <800µs



Latency Performance



noStress	user-task latency(us)	kernel-task latency(us)
lat min	1.091	-0.299
lat avg	2.025	-0.011
lat max	1940.781	2893.072

Latency Performance

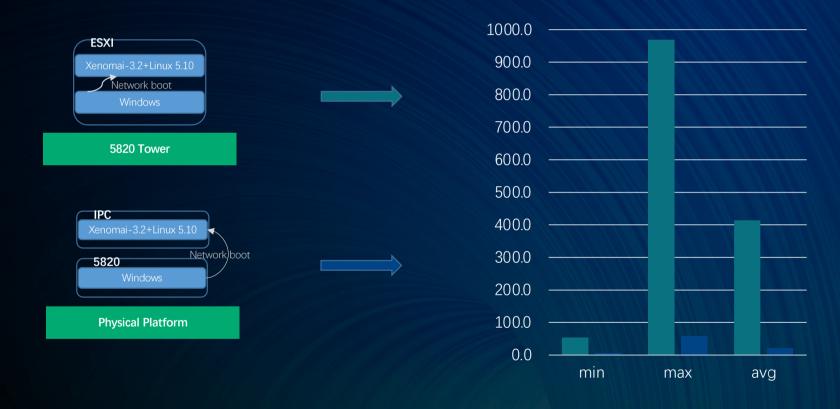
Latency Performance on Physical Platform



noStress	user-task latency(us)	kernel-task latency(us)
lat min	-2.539	-2.822
lat avg	-2.136	-2.471
lat max	0.357	-0.110

Performance in Testing Software

Virtual Platform && Physical Platform



Analysis of Latency

Analysis Procedure

1 Investigation of the impact of virtualization technology on real-time performance

In-depth understanding of the characteristics of ESXi virtualization technology and its limitations and effects on real-time performance.

3 Analysis of virtualization technology parameters

Analyzing the impact of ESXi parameter settings on Xenomai real-time performance, such as CPU scheduling policies, memory allocation, etc.

2 Performance monitoring and analysis

Using performance monitoring tools to monitor and analyze the resource utilization and latency of virtual machines and host machines to determine the performance bottlenecks.

Analysis of Latency

Optimization Scheme

1 Optimization of virtual machine resource configuration

Adjusting the allocation of CPU, memory, network, and storage resources for virtual machines to ensure that Xenomai has sufficient resources to support it.

3 Tuning of host BIOS parameters

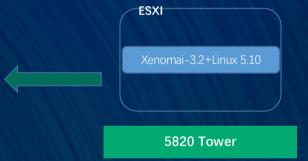
such as high-performance power, disabling hyperthreading, etc.

2 Tuning of virtualization technology parameters

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Results of Optimization Efforts

noStress	user-task latency(us)	kernel-task latency(us)
lat min	-0.170	-2.295
lat avg	1.862	0.103
lat max	1656.459	1767.215





Conclusion

Summary



On the Virtual Platform

unstable latency and significant latency fluctuations



Optimize ESXi Parameter

no significant improvement in performance



Limitations in this Study

not address other possible factors find effective optimization strategies

Outlook

Future Research Directions



Exploring optimization strategies for addressing the insufficient real-time performance of Xenomai in virtualized environments



In-depth exploration of the impact mechanism of virtualization technology on real-time performance



Researching the impact of new virtualization technologies (such as containerization) on real-time performance

Outlook



In-depth Exploration

Virtualization technology on real-time performance Optimization Strategies



More offline activities

More communication More sharing



Community Suggestions and Expectations

Collaboration Knowledge Sharing Innovation

