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Recap from Last Lecture

- Process is the unit of execution (running on a single CPU)
- OS keeps track of process-related information using an ad hoc data structure called Process Control Block (PCB)
- Process can be in one of 5 possible states: new, ready, waiting, running, or terminated
- Context switch to intertwine the execution of multiple processes
- Process communication either via message passing or shared memory

Today: CPU Scheduling

Policy to establish which process to execute on the CPU

- Basic scheduling concepts
- Scheduling criteria/metrics
- Scheduling algorithms
- Advanced scheduling concepts

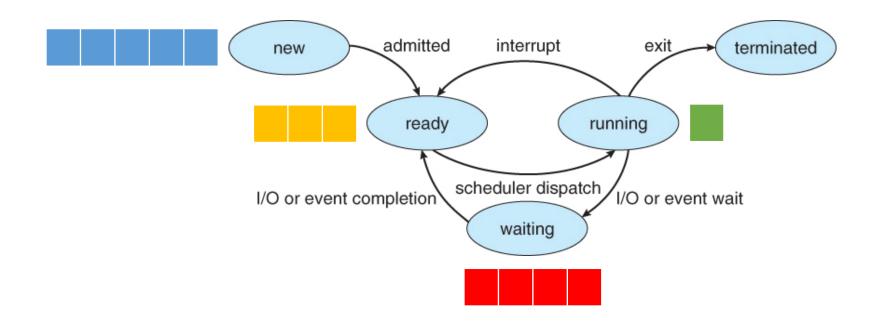
- Almost every program has some alternating cycles of CPU computations and I/O waiting
- Even a simple fetch from main memory takes a long time relatively to CPU speed
- Our assumptions: Multi-programmed, uni-processor system

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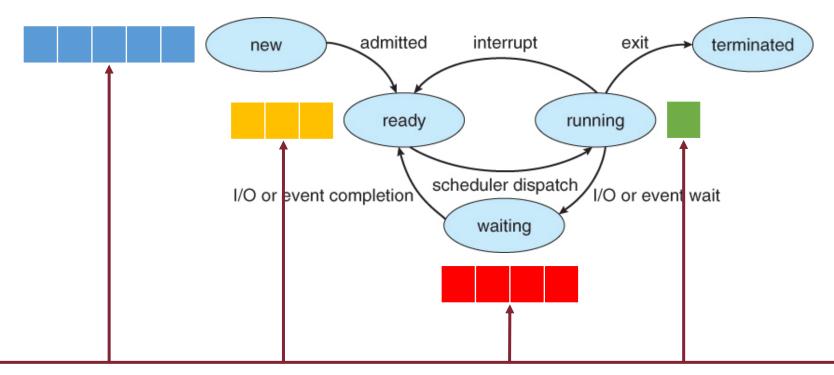
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- Challenge: Make the system as "efficient" and "fair" as possible, subject to varying and often dynamic conditions

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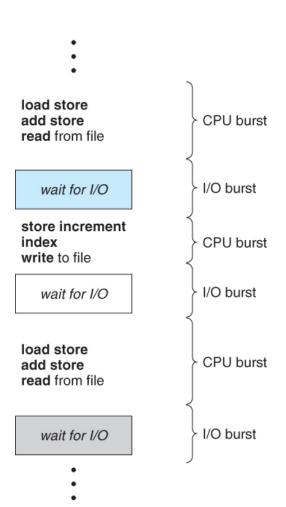


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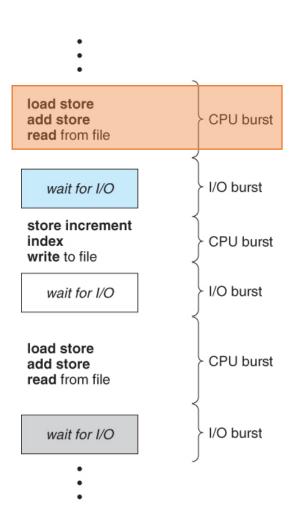
Processes managed by the OS reside in exactly one of the state queues

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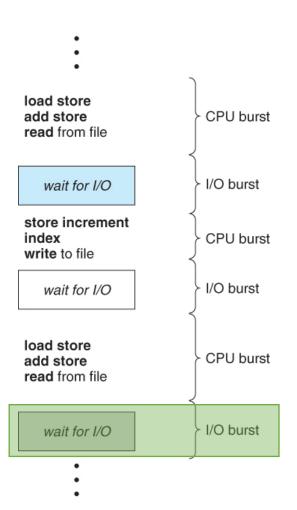
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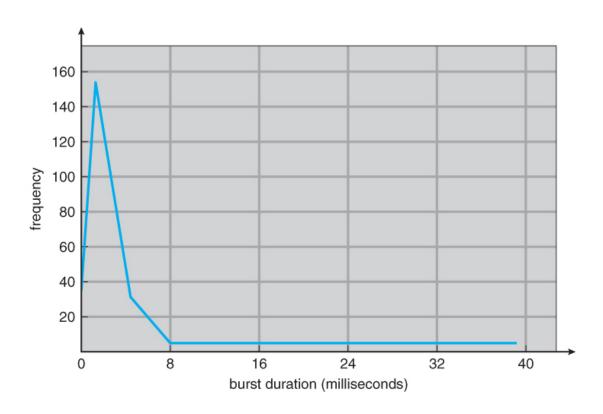
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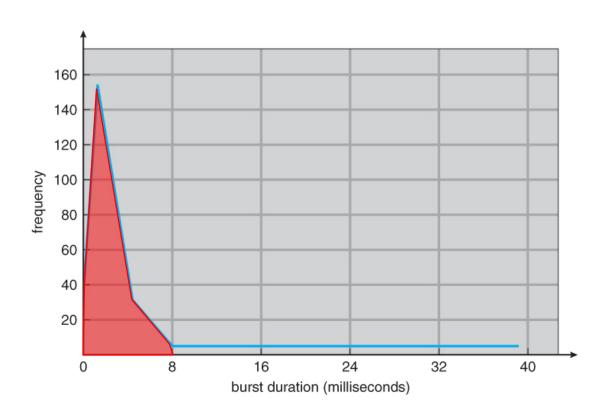
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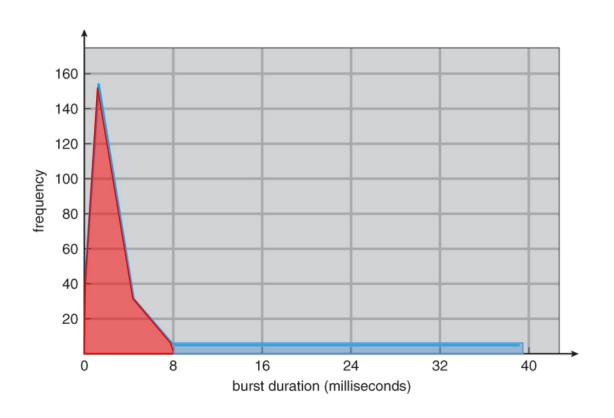
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Preemptive scheduling

Whenever scheduling takes also place under conditions 2 and 3

Non-preemptive vs. Preemptive: Examples

	Windows	Mac	UNIX-like
Non-preemptive	up to Win 3.x	up to Mac OS 9.x	-
Preemptive	since Win 95	since Mac OS X	since forever

Preemption: Issues

- Preemption might cause troubles if it occurs while:
 - two processes share data, one may get interrupted in the middle of updating shared data structures
 - the kernel is busy implementing a system call (e.g., updating critical kernel data structures)

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Scheduling: Trade-off

- Ideally, choose a CPU scheduler that optimizes all metrics simultaneously
- Generally, the above is impossible and a trade-off is needed!
- Idea: Choose a scheduling algorithm based on its ability to satisfy a given policy

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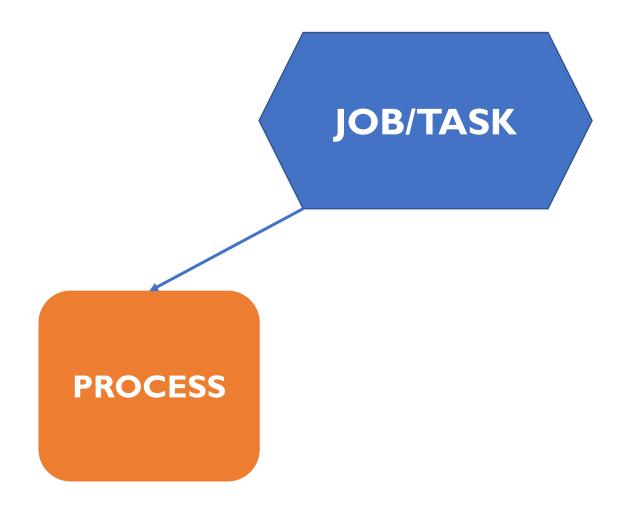
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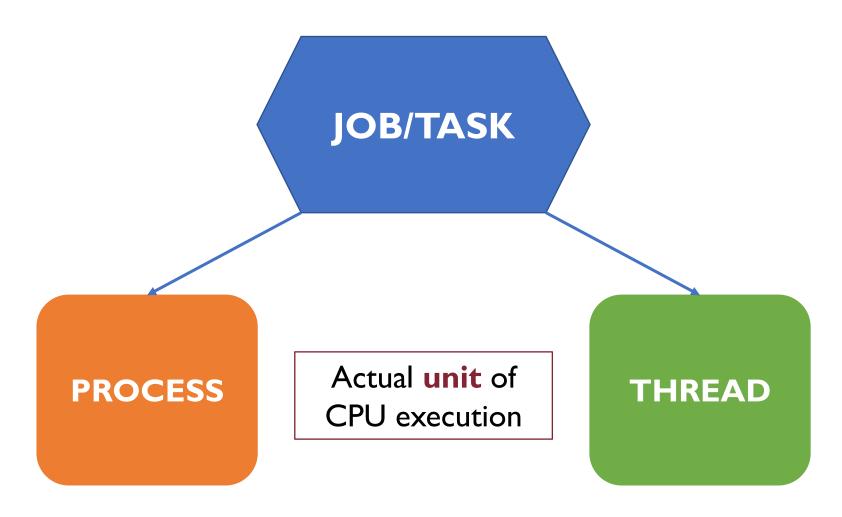
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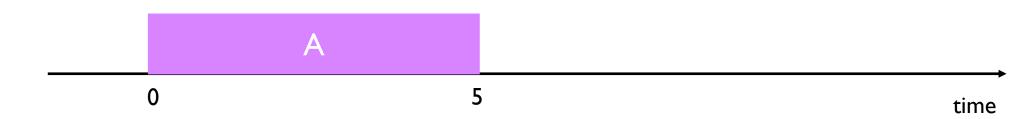


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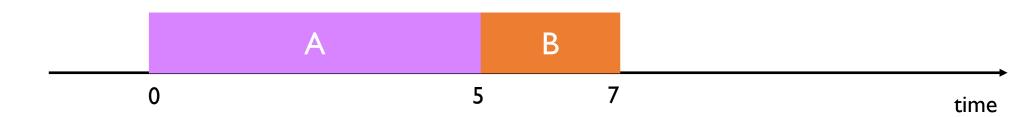
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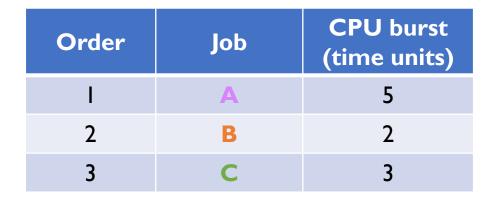


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Average Waiting Time

$$N = \text{number of jobs}$$

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Unless otherwise specified, we will assume all jobs arrive at the same time, i.e.,

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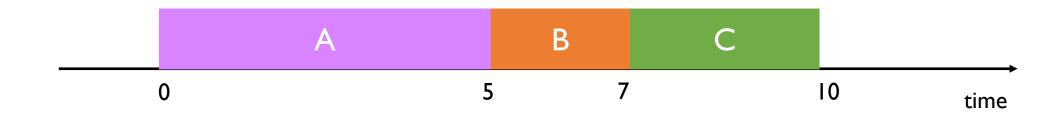
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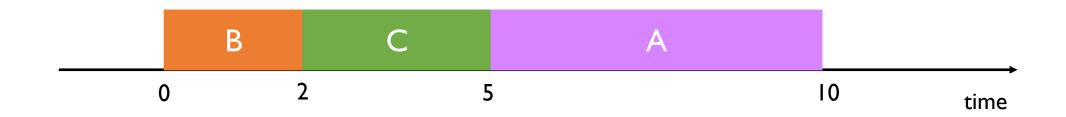
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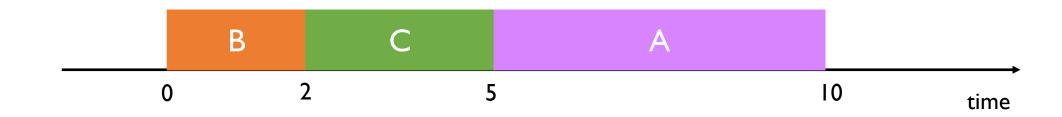
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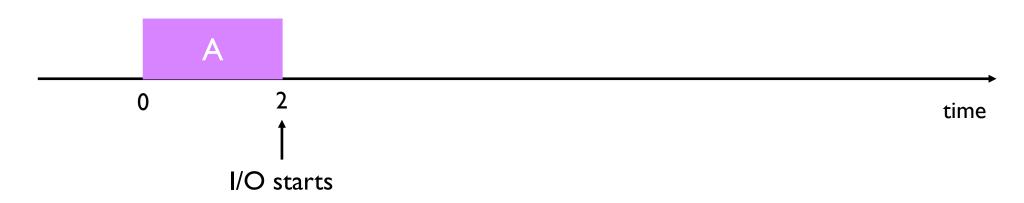
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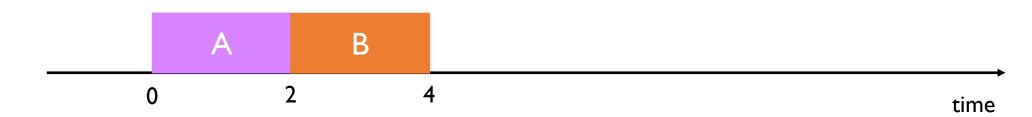
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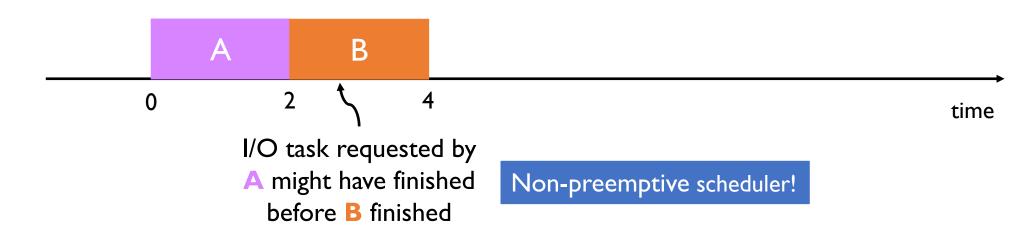
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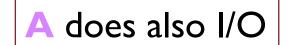
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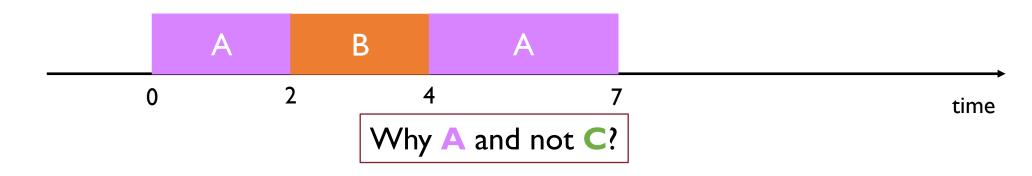
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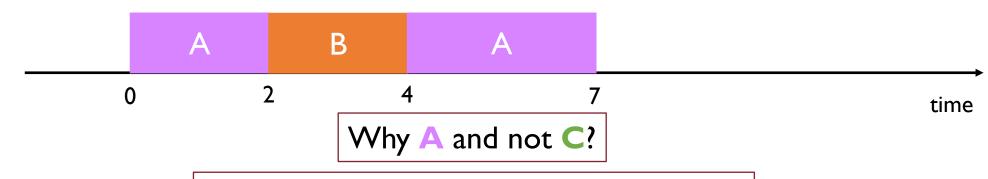
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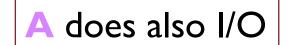


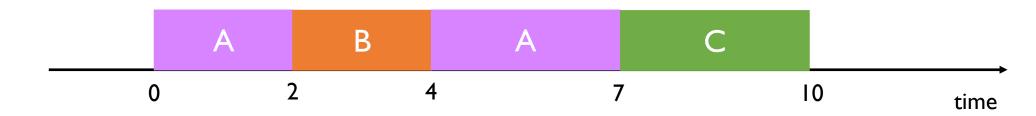
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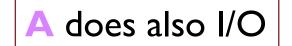


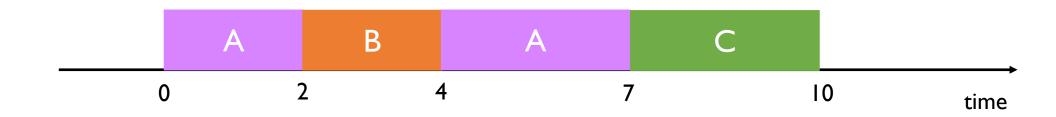
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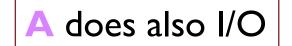


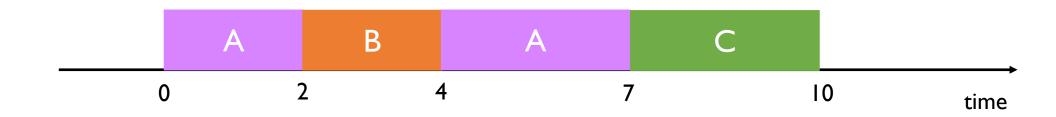
Ready

Waiting

Running

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I	Α	5
2	В	2
3	С	3





avg. waiting time =
$$(2 + 2 + 7)/3 \sim 3.7$$

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 will force I/O bound jobs to wait

Scheduling Algorithms: An Overview

- First-Come-First-Serve (FCFS)
- Round Robin (RR)
- Shortest-Job-First (SJF)
- Priority Scheduling
- Multilevel Queue (MLQ)
- Multilevel Feedback-Queue (MLFQ)

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- The ready queue is maintained as a circular queue
- When all jobs have had a turn, the scheduler gives the first job another turn, and so on...
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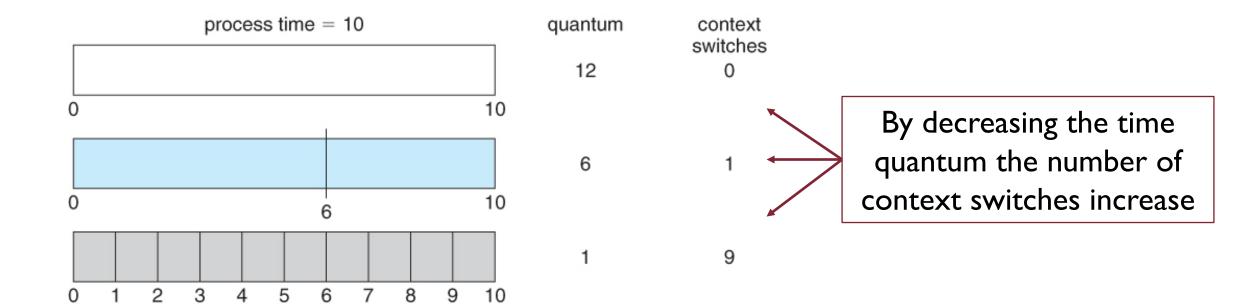
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Trade-off:

Overhead for context switching should be <u>relatively small</u> compared to time slice

Example: time slice = $10 \div 100$ msec. and context switch = $0.01 \div 0.1$ msec.



$$N = \text{number of jobs}$$

$$\delta = \text{time slice}$$

$$\sup\{T_i^{start}\} = \delta * (i-1), \ \forall i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$$

upper-bound on the time a job is scheduled for the first time

worst-case scenario:

all job in front of the queue will use the whole time slice

Order	Job	CPU burst (time units)
I	Α	5
2	В	2
3	C	3



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2	В	2
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2	В	2
3	С	3

No I/O burst

Time quantum = 2

Context switch = 0









Waiting

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I	Α	5
2	В	2
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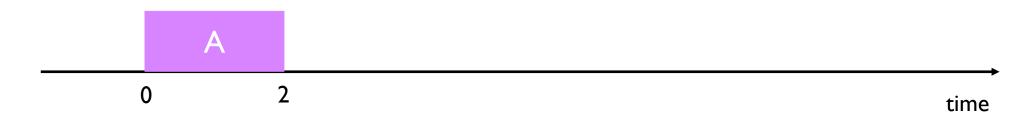


Ready B C

Waiting

Running A

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2	В	2
3	С	3



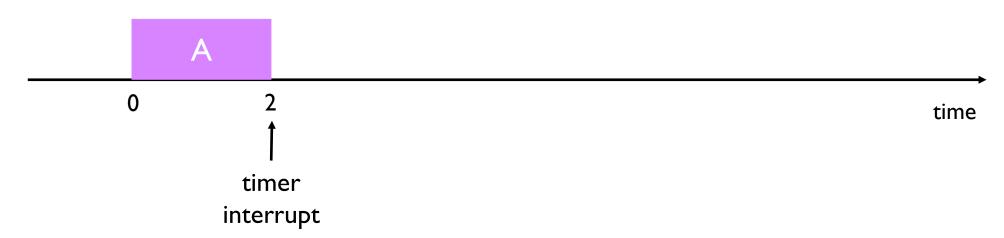


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Waiting

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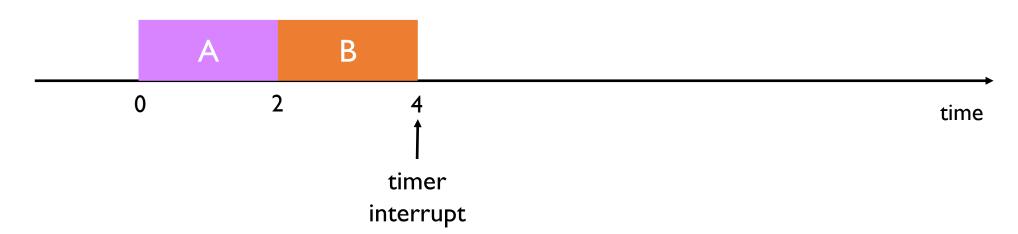


Ready C A

Waiting

Running

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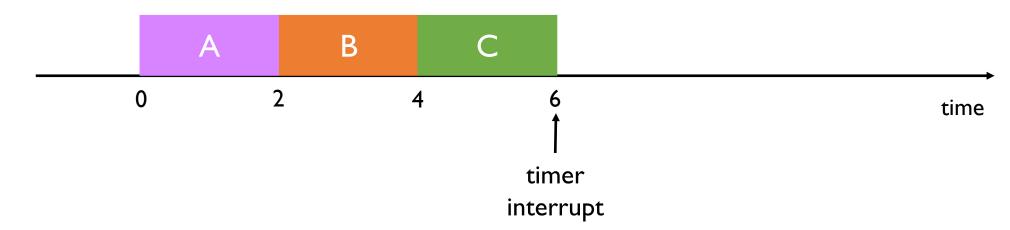


Ready A

Waiting

Running C

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2	В	2
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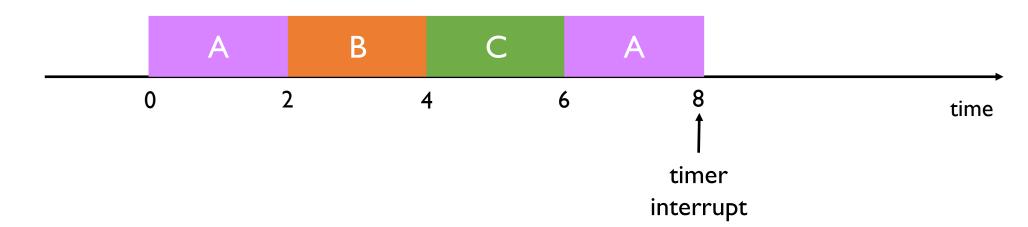
New A B C

Ready C

Waiting

Running A

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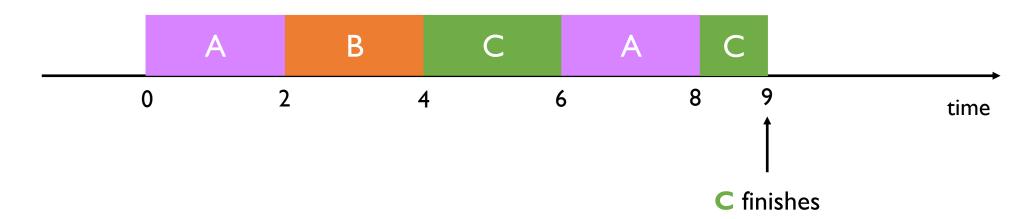
New A B C

Ready A

Waiting

Running C

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I	Α	5
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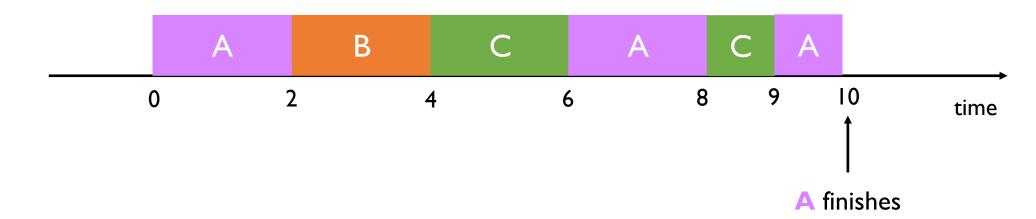
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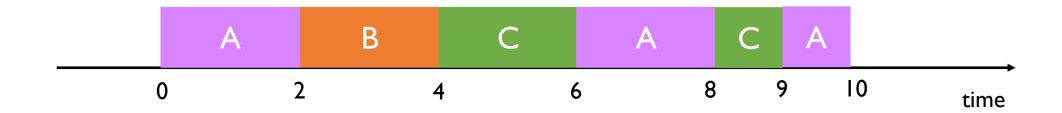


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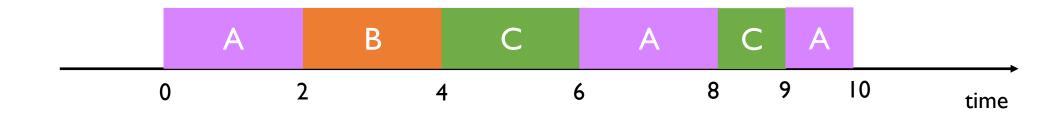


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avg. waiting time =
$$(5 + 2 + 6)/3 \sim 4.3$$

Assumptions:

5 jobs, 100 time units of CPU burst each

Time quantum = I

Context switch = 0

Arrival time = 0 (for all jobs)

		turnaround time		wait tin	_
Job	CPU burst	FCFS	RR	FCFS	RR
Α	100				
В	100				
С	100				
D	100				
Ε	100				
Avg.					

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Job	CPU burst	FCFS	RR	FCFS	RR
Α	100	100			
В	100	200			
С	100	300			
D	100	400			
Е	100	500			
Avg.		300			

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		turnaround time		wait tim	
Job	CPU burst	FCFS	RR	FCFS	RR
Α	100	100	496		
В	100	200	497		
С	100	300	498		
D	100	400	499		
Ε	100	500	500		
Avg.		300	498		

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В	100	200	497	100	397
С	100	300	498	200	398
D	100	400	499	300	399
Е	100	500	500	400	400
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FCFS seems to outperform RR in both metrics but... is it fair?

Look at the variance rather than the average!

Assumptions:

5 jobs, different CPU burst

Time quantum = I

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Job	CPU burst	FCFS	RR	FCFS	RR
Α	50				
В	40				
С	30				
D	20				
E	10				
Avg.					

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Job	CPU burst	FCFS	RR	FCFS	RR
Α	50	50			
В	40	90			
С	30	120			
D	20	140			
E	10	150			
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С	30	120	120		
D	20	140	90		
E	10	150	50		
	Avg.	110	110		

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С	30	120	120	90	
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С	30	120	120	90	90
D	20	140	90	120	70
E	10	150	50	140	40
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