

Homework 3 Solution

4.15

a) Processes = 6

b) Threads = 2

`Pid = fork();` The parent process `p` before the `if` statement creates one process `p1`. `fork();` The parent process `p` in the `if` statement creates one `p2`.

After the `if` statement, parent process `p`, process `p1` and process `p2` will execute `fork();` creating three new processes. 3 process `p3`, `p4`, `p5` is created by `p`, `p1` and `p2`.

Hence, 6 unique processes (`p`, `p1`, `p2`, `p3`, `p4`, `p5`) will be created.

Thread creation is done in `if` block. Only child process `p1` is executed in the `if` block. Therefore, process `p1` will be created one thread.

In the `if` block one process `p2` is created using `fork();`. Therefore, process `p2` will also create a thread. Hence, 2 unique threads will be created.

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A. Only one race condition is observed in the program code that is on the variable `number_of_processes`.

B. The `acquire()` function should be placed in the beginning of function call. Whereas, `acquire()` must be put upon entering each function. `release()` must be put just before exiting each function.

C. No, it would not help. The reason is because the race occurs in the `allocate process()` function where number of processes is first tested in the `if` statement, yet is updated afterwards, based upon the value of the test. it is possible that number of processes = 254 at the time of the test, yet because of the race condition, is set to 255 by another thread before it is incremented yet again.

5.32

```
int sumid=0;
int waiting=0;
semaphore mutex=1;
semaphore OKToAccess=0;

get_access(int id)
{
    sem_wait(mutex);
    while(sumid+id > n)
    {
        waiting++;
        sem_signal(mutex);
        sem_wait(OKToAccess);
        sem_wait(mutex);
    }
    sumid += id;
    sem_signal(mutex);
}

release_access(int id)
{
    int i;
    sem_wait(mutex);
    sumid -= id;
    for ( i=0; i < waiting; ++i )
    {
        sem_signal ( OKToAccess );
    }
    waiting = 0;
    sem_signal(mutex);
}

main( )
{
    get_access(id);
    do_stuff();
    release_access(id);
}
```

5.35

monitor AlarmClock

int now=0;

condition wakeup;

wakeme (int n)

{

int alarm;

alarm = now + n;

while(now<alarm) wakeup.wait (alarm);

wakeup.signal;

}

tick()

{

now =now +1;

wakeup.signal;

}

6.16

Process	Burst Time	Priority
P1	2	2
P2	1	1
P3	8	4
P4	4	2
P5	5	3

FCFS

P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	
0	2	3	11	15	20

SJF

P2	P1	P4	P5	P3	
0	1	3	7	12	20

Non-preemptive priority (a larger number implies a higher priority)

P3	P5	P1	P4	P2	
0	8	13	15	19	20

RR (q=2)

P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P3	P4	P5	P3	P5	P3	
0	2	3	5	7	9	11	13	15	17	18	20

b. Turnaround Time

	FCFS	SJF	Priority	RR
P1	2	3	15	2
P2	3	1	20	3
P3	11	20	8	20
P4	15	7	19	13
P5	20	12	13	18

c. Waiting time

	FCFS	SJF	Priority	RR
P1	0	1	13	0
P2	2	0	19	2
P3	3	12	0	12
P4	11	3	15	9
P5	15	7	8	13

d. Minimum average waiting time

SJF has Minimum average waiting time, and it equals $(1+0+12+3+7)/5 = 4.6$

7.8

- A. Deadlock cannot occur because preemption exists.
- B. Yes. A process may never acquire all the resources it needs if they are continuously preempted by a series of requests such as those of process.