Question 1:Which of the following is the correct general structure of a typical process?

A) Initialization, Execution, Termination

B) Execution, Termination, Initialization

C) Termination, Initialization, Execution

D) Initialization, Termination, Execution

Answer: A) Initialization, Execution, Termination

Question 2:A race condition in computer science occurs when:

A) Two or more processes accidentally cooperate to complete a task.

B) Two or more processes contend for shared resources and the final outcome depends on their relative timing.

C) Two or more processes work in parallel without any synchronization.

D) Two or more processes try to access the same resource sequentially.

Answer: B) Two or more processes contend for shared resources and the final outcome depends on their relative timing.

Question 3:The Critical-Section Problem involves:

A) Allowing multiple processes to access a critical section simultaneously.

B) Ensuring that only one process can access a critical section at a time.

C) Letting processes skip the critical section for faster execution.

D) Preventing processes from entering the initialization phase.

Answer: B) Ensuring that only one process can access a critical section at a time.

Question 4:Which of the following is a solution to the Critical-Section Problem proposed by Peterson?

A) Mutex Locks

B) Semaphores

C) Monitors

D) Two-Process Solution

Answer: D) Two-Process Solution (Peterson's Solution)

Question 5:Synchronization hardware such as Test-And-Set and Compare-And-Swap instructions are used for:

A) Achieving deadlock in concurrent processes.

B) Speeding up critical section execution.

C) Solving the Critical-Section Problem without mutual exclusion.

D) Implementing atomic operations to manage access to shared resources.

Answer: D) Implementing atomic operations to manage access to shared resources.

Question 6:A Mutex Lock is:

A) A type of data structure used for storing multiple processes.

B) A synchronization primitive that allows multiple processes to access a critical section simultaneously.

C) A synchronization mechanism that ensures only one process can access a critical section at a time.

D) A hardware component used for inter-process communication.

Answer: C) A synchronization mechanism that ensures only one process can access a critical section at a time.

Question 7:Semaphores can be used to:

A) Allow processes to run without synchronization.

B) Induce race conditions in concurrent systems.

C) Implement mutual exclusion and coordinate concurrent processes.

D) Replace the need for critical sections in programs.

Answer: C) Implement mutual exclusion and coordinate concurrent processes.

Question 8:Which of the following is an example of a classic synchronization problem?

A) Sorting a list of numbers.

B) Performing matrix multiplication.

C) Dining Philosophers Problem.

D) File I/O operations.

Answer: C) Dining Philosophers Problem

Question 9:A Monitor is a synchronization construct that:

A) Prevents context switching between processes.

B) Enables processes to run in parallel without synchronization.

C) Provides a high-speed communication channel between processes.

D) Encapsulates shared data and procedures to control their access in a synchronized manner.

Answer: D) Encapsulates shared data and procedures to control their access in a synchronized manner.

Question 10:What is the primary goal of process synchronization in operating systems?

A) To increase the number of processes running concurrently.

B) To ensure that all processes complete their execution at the same time.

C) To coordinate the execution of multiple processes and avoid conflicts.

D) To prioritize certain processes over others.

Answer: C) To coordinate the execution of multiple processes and avoid conflicts.

Question 11:Which of the following is a potential issue that can arise from improper process synchronization?

A) Faster execution of critical sections.

B) Enhanced parallelism among processes.

C) Deadlocks and race conditions.

D) Decreased utilization of CPU.

Answer: C) Deadlocks and race conditions.

Question 12:A race condition can occur when:

A) Processes follow a predetermined order of execution.

B) Processes synchronize their execution using semaphores.

C) Processes have inconsistent access to shared resources.

D) Processes use hardware synchronization mechanisms.

Answer: C) Processes have inconsistent access to shared resources.

Question 13:Peterson's solution for the Critical-Section Problem is best suited for:

A) Systems with only two processes.

B) Systems with a small number of processes.

C) Systems with a large number of processes.

D) Systems with processes of varying priorities.

Answer: A) Systems with only two processes.

Question 14:The term starvation in synchronization refers to:

A) A process not being allowed to execute its critical section.

B) A process completing its execution too quickly.

C) A process being stuck in a deadlock.

D) A process experiencing excessive context switching.

Answer: A) A process not being allowed to execute its critical section.

Question 15:In synchronization, a mutex is:

A) A variable used to count the number of processes.

B) A hardware device used to prevent deadlocks.

C) A synchronization primitive that ensures exclusive access to a shared resource.

D) A type of process that operates without synchronization.

Answer: C) A synchronization primitive that ensures exclusive access to a shared resource.

Question 16:Which of the following statements about semaphores is true?

A) Semaphores are used only for signaling purposes.

B) Binary semaphores can have values greater than 1.

C) Semaphores can be used for both signaling and mutual exclusion.

D) Semaphores are primarily used for thread synchronization.

Answer: C) Semaphores can be used for both signaling and mutual exclusion.

Question 17:In a Producer-Consumer synchronization problem, the main challenge is to:

A) Prevent deadlocks between producers and consumers.

B) Ensure that producers always produce faster than consumers consume.

C) Coordinate access to shared resources between multiple producers and consumers.

D) Limit the number of producers and consumers in the system.

Answer: C) Coordinate access to shared resources between multiple producers and consumers.

Question 18:The Readers-Writers problem involves:

A) Ensuring that multiple readers can access a shared resource simultaneously.

B) Allowing only one writer to access a shared resource at a time.

C) Preventing readers and writers from accessing the shared resource.

D) Allowing readers to read and writers to write concurrently without synchronization.

Answer: D) Allowing readers to read and writers to write concurrently without synchronization.

Question 19:What is the purpose of a monitor in synchronization?

A) To provide a graphical representation of process interactions.

B) To prevent processes from entering the critical section.

C) To encapsulate shared data and provide synchronized access to it.

D) To execute processes in a concurrent manner.

Answer: C) To encapsulate shared data and provide synchronized access to it.

Question 20:The Two-Phase Locking protocol is primarily used to address:

A) Deadlock prevention.

B) Starvation in synchronization.

C) Mutual exclusion.

D) Deadlock detection.

Answer: A) Deadlock prevention.

Question 21:In synchronization, a condition variable is used to:

A) Store the value of a synchronization primitive.

B) Indicate the status of the CPU.

C) Synchronize access to shared resources.

D) Enable efficient context switching.

Answer: C) Synchronize access to shared resources.

Question 22:Which of the following is an example of a classic synchronization problem involving multiple processes and dining philosophers?

A) Readers-Writers Problem

B) Producer-Consumer Problem

C) Dining Philosophers Problem

D) Sleeping Barber Problem

Answer: C) Dining Philosophers Problem

Question 23:A deadlock occurs when:

A) A process finishes its execution.

B) A process enters its critical section.

C) Processes are waiting for a resource held by another process.

D) Processes are executing in parallel.

Answer: C) Processes are waiting for a resource held by another process.

Question 24:The term atomic operation in synchronization refers to:

A) An operation that occurs only once in the lifetime of a process.

B) An operation that is executed by multiple processes simultaneously.

C) An operation that is indivisible and uninterruptible.

D) An operation that is performed by the CPU in a single clock cycle.

Answer: C) An operation that is indivisible and uninterruptible.

Question 25:What is the primary purpose of the test-and-set instruction in synchronization?

A) To test the performance of a CPU.

B) To set a flag indicating the status of a process.

C) To perform bitwise operations on data.

D) To implement atomic operations and manage access to shared resources.

Answer: D) To implement atomic operations and manage access to shared resources.

Question 26:A semaphore with a value of 0 indicates:

A) That a resource is available for use.

B) That the semaphore is in a waiting state.

C) That the semaphore is in an undefined state.

D) That a process must wait for a resource to be released.

Answer: D) That a process must wait for a resource to be released.

Question 27:What is the primary purpose of the Compare-And-Swap (CAS) instruction in synchronization?

A) To compare two variables and perform a swap operation if they are equal.

B) To perform arithmetic operations on data.

C) To swap the contents of two memory locations.

D) To perform context switching between processes.

Answer: A) To compare two variables and perform a swap operation if they are equal.

Question 28:A mutex lock ensures:

A) That multiple processes can access a critical section concurrently.

B) That processes are locked out of the system.

C) That only one process can access a critical section at a time.

D) That processes execute in a random order.

Answer: C) That only one process can access a critical section at a time.

Question 29:In the context of synchronization, what is a priority inversion?

A) A high-priority process getting locked out by a lower-priority process.

B) A low-priority process gaining priority over a high-priority process.

C) A process getting stuck in a deadlock due to priority conflicts.

D) A process finishing its execution before others due to priority adjustments.

Answer: A) A high-priority process getting locked out by a lower-priority process.

Question 30:The Bakery Algorithm is used for:

A) Implementing mutual exclusion between two processes.

B) Preventing priority inversion in synchronization.

C) Solving the Dining Philosophers Problem.

D) Coordinating access to a critical section among multiple processes.

Answer: D) Coordinating access to a critical section among multiple processes.

Question 31:In a Monitor, what is the purpose of a condition variable?

A) To store the monitor's internal state.

B) To define the entry point of the monitor.

C) To signal other processes to exit the monitor.

D) To allow processes to wait for a certain condition to be satisfied.

Answer: D) To allow processes to wait for a certain condition to be satisfied.

Question 32:The Three-State Process Model includes which of the following states?

A) Running, Sleeping, Blocking

B) Running, Waiting, Terminated

C) Ready, Running, Blocked

D) Ready, Sleeping, Blocked

Answer: C) Ready, Running, Blocked

Question 33:In a system with multiple processes, the term context switch refers to:

A) Switching between different processors in a multi-core CPU.

B) The process of changing the execution context from one process to another.

C) The act of rebooting the system.

D) Switching between different synchronization mechanisms.

Answer: B) The process of changing the execution context from one process to another.

Question 34:What is the primary purpose of the turnstile synchronization mechanism?

A) To prevent processes from executing their critical sections.

B) To manage the flow of processes in a round-robin fashion.

C) To ensure that processes exit their critical sections in a timely manner.

D) To enforce a certain order of execution among processes.

Answer: C) To ensure that processes exit their critical sections in a timely manner.

Question 35:Which of the following statements is true regarding synchronization primitives?

A) They are only used for debugging purposes.

B) They are low-level mechanisms used to coordinate processes.

C) They are only used in single-processor systems.

D) They are primarily used for improving CPU performance.

Answer: B) They are low-level mechanisms used to coordinate processes.

Question 36:What is the primary difference between a mutex and a semaphore?

A) A mutex allows multiple processes to access a critical section at once, while a semaphore doesn't.

B) A mutex can be initialized with a value greater than 1, while a semaphore cannot.

C) A mutex is binary, allowing only one process at a time, while a semaphore can have multiple values.

D) A mutex is a hardware synchronization mechanism, while a semaphore is a software construct.

Answer: C) A mutex is binary, allowing only one process at a time, while a semaphore can have multiple values.

Question 37:The Two-Phase Commit (2PC) protocol is used for:

A) Coordinating the access to a critical section among multiple processes.

B) Solving the Dining Philosophers Problem.

C) Ensuring that multiple processes commit their transactions atomically.

D) Preventing priority inversion in synchronization.

Answer: C) Ensuring that multiple processes commit their transactions atomically.

Question 38:In a Peterson's Solution for the Critical-Section Problem, what is the purpose of the turn variable?

A) To indicate which process should run next.

B) To determine the order of execution among multiple processes.

C) To prevent deadlock situations.

D) To signal when a process enters the critical section.

Answer: B) To determine the order of execution among multiple processes.

Question 39:Which of the following is NOT a common approach to solving synchronization problems?

A) Using mutex locks

B) Utilizing semaphores

C) Ignoring synchronization altogether

D) Employing condition variables

Answer: C) Ignoring synchronization altogether

Question 40:In a Monitor, why are procedures that access shared data usually declared as synchronized?

A) To ensure that only one process can access a procedure at a time.

B) To improve the execution speed of the procedures.

C) To allow the procedures to run concurrently without synchronization.

D) To allow the procedures to be used as entry points to the monitor.

Answer: A) To ensure that only one process can access a procedure at a time.

Question 1:What is the primary goal of CPU scheduling in operating systems?

A) To maximize the throughput of the CPU.

B) To minimize the execution time of individual processes.

C) To ensure that all processes get equal execution time.

D) To efficiently allocate CPU time to multiple processes.

Answer: D) To efficiently allocate CPU time to multiple processes.

Question 2:Which of the following is a common scheduling criterion used to evaluate scheduling algorithms?

A) Maximizing CPU utilization

B) Minimizing waiting time

C) Minimizing turnaround time

D) All of the above

Answer: D) All of the above

Question 3:In the First-Come, First-Served (FCFS) scheduling algorithm, processes are executed in the order they arrive. What is a major drawback of this algorithm?

A) It doesn't guarantee fairness among processes.

B) It can lead to starvation.

C) It doesn't maximize CPU utilization.

D) It doesn't support multi-core processors.

Answer: B) It can lead to starvation.

Question 4:Shortest Job First (SJF) scheduling aims to:

A) Give priority to processes with the shortest burst time.

B) Ensure that processes with the longest burst time get executed first.

C) Schedule processes based on their arrival time.

D) Alternate between processes in a round-robin manner.

Answer: A) Give priority to processes with the shortest burst time.

Question 5:What is the main difference between Shortest Job First (SJF) and Shortest Remaining Time First (SRTF) scheduling?

A) SJF is non-preemptive, while SRTF is preemptive.

B) SJF is preemptive, while SRTF is non-preemptive.

C) Both SJF and SRTF are non-preemptive.

D) Both SJF and SRTF are preemptive.

Answer: A) SJF is non-preemptive, while SRTF is preemptive.

Question 6:The Priority Scheduling algorithm assigns priorities to processes based on:

A) Their arrival time.

B) Their execution time.

C) User-defined priority values.

D) The order in which they appear in the queue.

Answer: C) User-defined priority values.

Question 7:Which scheduling algorithm is designed to address the Convoy Effect by allowing short processes to complete quickly?

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: B) SJF

Question 8:In Round Robin (RR) scheduling, each process is assigned a fixed time slice called a quantum. What happens if a process doesn't complete within its time quantum?

A) It gets terminated immediately.

B) It is moved to the end of the queue.

C) It continues executing without interruption.

D) It is given additional time slices to complete.

Answer: B) It is moved to the end of the queue.

Question 9:What is the primary advantage of Multilevel Queue Scheduling over other scheduling algorithms?

A) It guarantees that every process gets an equal share of CPU time.

B) It allows processes to be assigned to different priority levels.

C) It eliminates the need for context switching.

D) It supports only single-core processors.

Answer: B) It allows processes to be assigned to different priority levels.

Question 10:In Multilevel Feedback Queue Scheduling, how are processes promoted or demoted between queues?

A) Based on their execution time

B) Based on their priority levels

C) Based on their arrival time

D) Based on the number of CPUs available

Answer: A) Based on their execution time

Question 11:What is the purpose of Thread Scheduling in a multi-threaded environment?

A) To allocate memory to threads.

B) To allocate CPU time to threads.

C) To manage synchronization between threads.

D) To prioritize thread execution based on their memory requirements.

Answer: B) To allocate CPU time to threads.

Question 12:The Convoy Effect refers to:

A) A situation where a large number of processes are waiting to be executed.

B) The process of moving a process to the back of the queue after its time quantum expires.

C) Processes with similar burst times arriving simultaneously.

D) A high-priority process blocking the execution of lower-priority processes.

Answer: A) A situation where a large number of processes are waiting to be executed.

Question 13:Which scheduling algorithm is considered optimal in terms of minimizing average waiting time?

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: B) SJF

Question 14:In Priority Scheduling, what can be a potential issue if a high-priority process continues to arrive frequently?

A) Starvation of low-priority processes

B) Inefficient utilization of the CPU

C) Excessive context switching

D) Priority inversion

Answer: A) Starvation of low-priority processes

Question 15:What is the significance of the time quantum in the Round Robin scheduling algorithm?

A) It determines the priority of a process.

B) It specifies the time a process must wait before it can execute.

C) It defines the maximum burst time for a process.

D) It limits the maximum amount of time a process can execute before being moved to the end of the queue.

Answer: D) It limits the maximum amount of time a process can execute before being moved to the end of the queue.

Question 16:Which scheduling algorithm is suitable for systems that prioritize interactive processes and ensure that no process waits too long?

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: D) Round Robin

Question 17:In Multilevel Feedback Queue Scheduling, what determines the priority of a process in different queues?

A) The arrival time of the process

B) The execution time of the process

C) The type of the process (CPU-bound or I/O-bound)

D) The number of threads the process uses

Answer: B) The execution time of the process

Question 18:What is the primary advantage of using Thread Scheduling in a multi-threaded application?

A) It reduces the memory usage of the application.

B) It allows threads to run in parallel on separate processors.

C) It improves the overall performance of the application.

D) It eliminates the need for synchronization between threads.

Answer: B) It allows threads to run in parallel on separate processors.

Question 19:Which scheduling algorithm is well-suited for real-time systems where tasks have strict deadlines to meet?

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority S

cheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: C) Priority Scheduling

Question 20:The aging mechanism in Priority Scheduling aims to:

A) Increase the priority of low-priority processes.

B) Gradually reduce the priority of processes over time.

C) Prevent high-priority processes from executing too frequently.

D) Promote short processes to higher-priority levels.

Answer: A) Increase the priority of low-priority processes.

Question 21:What is the primary drawback of the First-Come, First-Served (FCFS) scheduling algorithm?

A) It can result in low CPU utilization.

B) It does not support multi-core processors.

C) It favors short processes over long processes.

D) It can lead to the convoy effect.

Answer: A) It can result in low CPU utilization.

Question 22:In the context of CPU scheduling, what does the term context switch refer to?

A) Moving a process from the waiting queue to the ready queue.

B) Changing the priority of a process.

C) Saving the current state of a running process and loading the state of a new process.

D) Allocating CPU time to a process.

Answer: C) Saving the current state of a running process and loading the state of a new process.

Question 23:The scheduling algorithm that allows a process to run for a fixed time quantum and then moves it to the back of the queue is:

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: D) Round Robin

Question 24:Which scheduling algorithm is suitable for time-sharing systems, where multiple users access the system concurrently?

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: D) Round Robin

Question 25:In Multilevel Queue Scheduling, how are processes categorized into different queues?

A) Based on their arrival time

B) Based on their execution time

C) Based on their memory requirements

D) Based on their priority or type of task

Answer: D) Based on their priority or type of task

Question 26:Which scheduling algorithm has the potential to suffer from priority inversion?

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: C) Priority Scheduling

Question 27:In Multilevel Feedback Queue Scheduling, which queue has the highest priority?

A) The queue with the shortest burst time processes

B) The queue with the longest burst time processes

C) The queue with the highest priority processes

D) The queue with the lowest priority processes

Answer: C) The queue with the highest priority processes

Question 28:What is the purpose of using a time quantum in the Round Robin scheduling algorithm?

A) To determine the order of execution among processes.

B) To ensure fairness among processes.

C) To minimize the context switch overhead.

D) To ensure that each process gets an equal share of the CPU time.

Answer: D) To ensure that each process gets an equal share of the CPU time.

Question 29:Which scheduling algorithm is most appropriate for a system where all processes have the same priority?

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: A) FCFS

Question 30:What is the primary advantage of Shortest Remaining Time First (SRTF) scheduling over Shortest Job First (SJF) scheduling?

A) SRTF provides better throughput.

B) SRTF eliminates the need for context switching.

C) SRTF reduces the number of context switches.

D) SRTF is more responsive in interactive environments.

Answer: D) SRTF is more responsive in interactive environments.

Question 31:The scheduling algorithm that allows processes to execute in a circular order and provides fairness among processes is:

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: D) Round Robin

Question 32:What is the primary limitation of using Round Robin scheduling with a large time quantum?

A) It leads to excessive context switching.

B) It results in low CPU utilization.

C) It can cause high waiting times for processes.

D) It makes the scheduling algorithm too complex.

Answer: B) It results in low CPU utilization.

Question 33:In a Multilevel Feedback Queue scheduling algorithm, a process that uses the CPU extensively will:

A) Be demoted to a lower-priority queue.

B) Be promoted to a higher-priority queue.

C) Continue executing in the same queue.

D) Be moved to the end of the queue.

Answer: A) Be demoted to a lower-priority queue.

Question 34:What is the key advantage of Thread Scheduling over Process Scheduling?

A) Thread scheduling reduces memory usage.

B) Thread scheduling eliminates the need for context switches.

C) Thread scheduling allows better utilization of multi-core processors.

D) Thread scheduling improves the responsiveness of the system.

Answer: C) Thread scheduling allows better utilization of multi-core processors.

Question 35:Which scheduling algorithm guarantees the lowest average waiting time for a set of processes?

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: B) SJF

Question 36:In Priority Scheduling, what happens if two processes have the same priority?

A) The process with the shortest burst time is given priority.

B) The process that arrives first is given priority.

C) The process that uses the CPU the most is given priority.

D) The process with the longest burst time is given priority.

Answer: B) The process that arrives first is given priority.

Question 37:Which scheduling algorithm ensures that each process gets an equal share of the CPU time?

A) FCFS

B) SJF

C) Priority Scheduling

D) Round Robin

Answer: D) Round Robin

Question 38:The Multilevel Feedback Queue Scheduling algorithm uses different queues for processes based on:

A) The number of threads a process has.

B) The arrival time of processes.

C) The burst time of processes.

D) The execution history of processes.

Answer: D) The execution history of processes.

Question 39:What is the primary benefit of Thread Scheduling in a multi-threaded environment?

A) It eliminates the need for synchronization.

B) It reduces the overhead of creating new processes.

C) It allows threads to run concurrently on separate processors.

D) It enforces strict control over CPU utilization.

Answer: C) It allows threads to run concurrently on separate processors.

Question 40:The Convoy Effect occurs when:

A) A high-priority process blocks the execution of lower-priority processes.

B) Processes with similar burst times arrive simultaneously.

C) A long process gets executed before short processes.

D) Several processes wait for a resource held by another process.

Answer: C) A long process gets executed before short processes.