Operating Systems CSE 231

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Process Scheduling

- General Idea
 - The CPU runs each program for a ``short duration'' aka timeslice.
 - The PIC interrupts the CPU PIT (programmable interval timer) interrupt handler 1 task scheduler.
 - Task scheduler: selects the next task to be run from the ready queue (aka runqueue in Linux).
 - Currently **running** task may be pushed back into the ready queue until again its timeslice is allocated (decided by the scheduling policy). Process goes to **ready** state.
 - Periodically there may be other interrupts I/O, syscall etc. wherein the process goes to waiting state (different from ready state)

Objective of Process Scheduling

Maximum CPU utilization obtained with multiprogramming

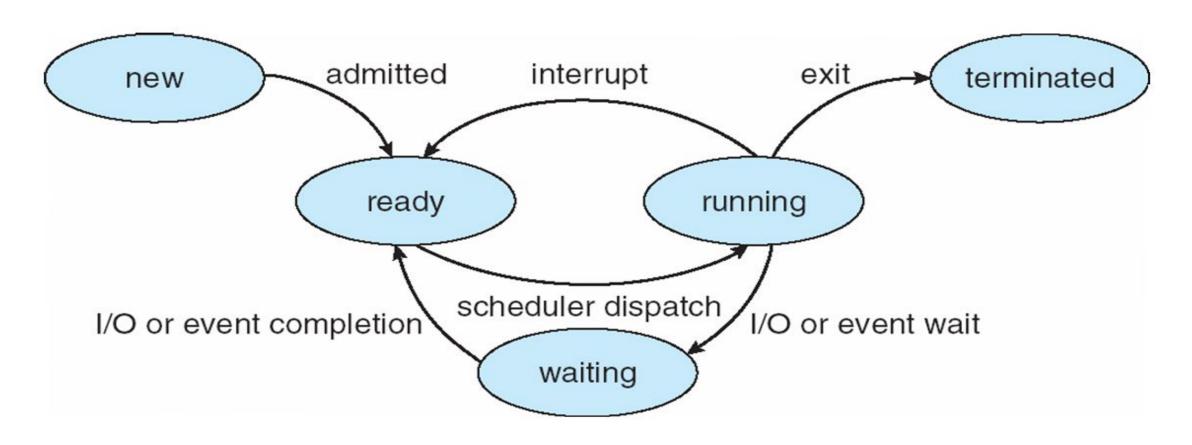
 CPU-I/O Burst Cycle – Process execution consists of a cycle of CPU execution and I/O wait

CPU burst followed by I/O burst

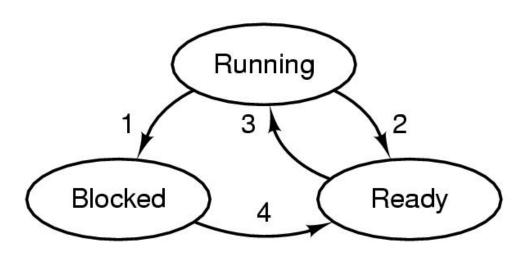
CPU burst distribution is of main concern

load store CPU burs add store read from file I/O burst wait for I/O store increment index CPU burs write to file I/O burst wait for I/O load store CPU burs add store read from file I/O burst wait for I/O

Process State



Process States



- 1. Process blocks for input
- 2. Scheduler picks another process
- 3. Scheduler picks this process
- 4. Input becomes available

Context Switch

 When CPU switches to another process, the system must save the state of the old process and load the saved state for the new process via a context switch

- Context of a process represented in the PCB
- Context-switch time is overhead; the system does no useful work while switching
 - The more complex the OS and the PCB -> longer the context switch
- Time dependent on hardware support
 - Some hardware provides multiple sets of registers per CPU -> multiple contexts loaded at once

Skeleton of Interrupt Handling by OS

- 1. Hardware stacks program counter, etc.
- 2. Hardware loads new program counter from interrupt vector.
- 3. Assembly language procedure saves registers.
- 4. Assembly language procedure sets up new stack.
- 5. C interrupt service runs (typically reads and buffers input).
- 6. Scheduler decides which process is to run next.
- 7. C procedure returns to the assembly code.
- 8. Assembly language procedure starts up new current process.

Scheduling Criteria

• CPU utilization – keep the CPU as busy as possible

 Throughput – # of processes that complete their execution per time unit

Turnaround time – amount of time to execute a particular process

 Waiting time – amount of time a process has been waiting in the ready queue

Scheduling Algorithm Optimization Criteria

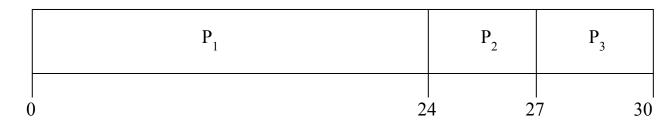
- Max CPU utilization
- Max throughput
- Min turnaround time
- Min waiting time
- Min response time

First-Come, First-Served (FCFS) Scheduling

Process Burst Time

P₁ 24
P₂ 3
P₃ 3

• Suppose that the processes arrive in the order: P_1 , P_2 , P_3 The Gantt Chart for the schedule is:



- Waiting time for $P_1 = 0$; $P_2 = 24$; $P_3 = 27$
- Average waiting time: (0 + 24 + 27)/3 = 17

Example of Shortest-remaining-time-first

Now we add the concepts of varying arrival times and preemption to the analysis

	<u>Process</u>		<u>Arrival</u> Time	<u>Burst Time</u>
P_{1}	0	8		
P_2	1	4		
P_3	2	9		
P_4				

• Preemptive SJF Gantt Chart

	P ₁	P ₂	P ₄	P ₁	P ₃
0	1		5 1	.0	17 26

• Average waiting time = [(10-1)+(1-1)+(17-2)+5-3)]/4 = 26/4 = 6.5 msec

Round Robin (RR)

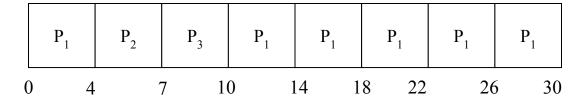
- Each process gets a small unit of CPU time (**time quantum** *q*), usually 10-100 milliseconds. After this time has elapsed, the process is *preempted* and added to the end of the ready queue.
- If there are n processes in the ready queue and the time quantum is q, then each process gets 1/n of the CPU time in chunks of at most q time units at once. No process waits more than (n-1)q time units.
- Timer interrupts every quantum to schedule next process
- Performance
 - q large \Rightarrow FIFO
 - q small $\Rightarrow q$ must be large with respect to context switch, otherwise overhead is too high

Example of RR with Time Quantum = 4

<u>Process</u> <u>Burst Time</u>

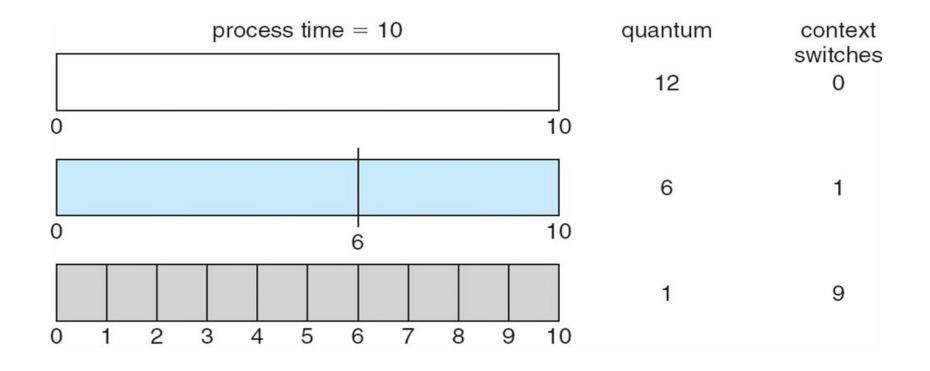
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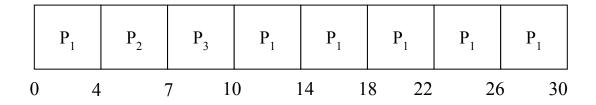
Time Quantum and Context Switch Time



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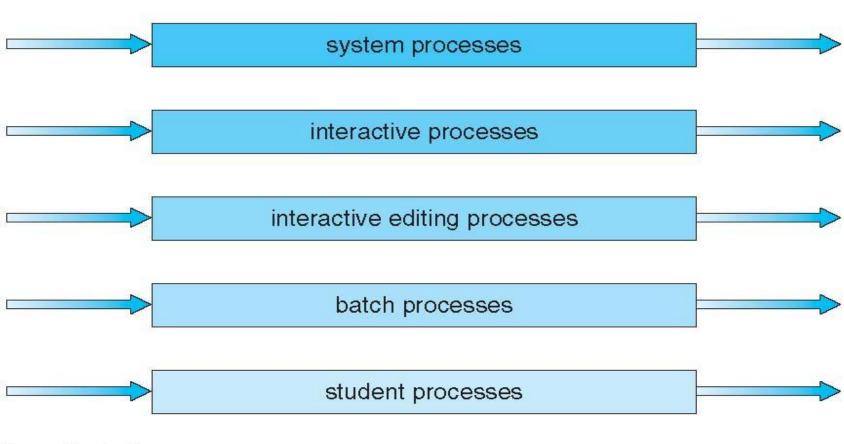
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Multilevel Queue

- Ready queue is partitioned into separate queues, eg:
 - foreground (interactive)
 - background (batch)
- Process permanently in a given queue
- Each queue has its own scheduling algorithm:
 - foreground RR
 - background FCFS
- Scheduling must be done between the queues:
 - Fixed priority scheduling; (i.e., serve all from foreground then from background). Possibility of starvation.
 - Time slice each queue gets a certain amount of CPU time which it can schedule amongst its processes; i.e., 80% to foreground in RR
 - 20% to background in FCFS

Multilevel Queue Scheduling

highest priority



lowest priority

Multilevel Feedback Queue

 A process can move between the various queues; aging can be implemented this way

- Multilevel-feedback-queue scheduler defined by the following parameters:
 - number of queues
 - scheduling algorithms for each queue
 - method used to determine when to upgrade a process
 - method used to determine when to demote a process
 - method used to determine which queue a process will enter when that process needs service

Example of Multilevel Feedback Queue

• Three queues:

- Q_0 RR with time quantum 8 milliseconds
- Q_1 RR time quantum 16 milliseconds
- Q_2 FCFS

Scheduling

- A new job enters queue Q₀ which is served FCFS
 - When it gains CPU, job receives 8 milliseconds
 - If it does not finish in 8 milliseconds, job is moved to queue Q_1
- At Q₁ job is again served FCFS and receives 16 additional milliseconds
 - If it still does not complete, it is preempted and moved to queue Q₂

