CS 310 Operating Systems

Lecture 25 Scheduling – Round Robin, Priority Scheduling, Multilevel Queue Scheduling,

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In this lecture we will study

- Last lecture
- Scheduling in Interactive Systems
- Round Robin Scheduling
- Priority Scheduling
- Strict Priority Scheduling Multilevel Queue
- Adaptive Scheduling Introduction

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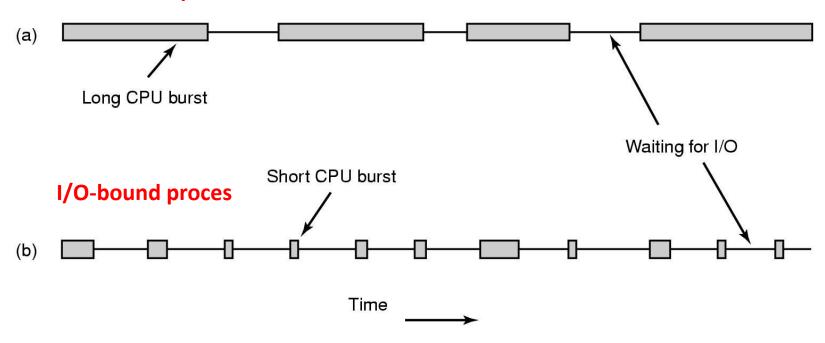
Reading

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 - Chapter 2
- CS162, Operating System and Systems Programming, University of California, Berkeley

Last Class

CPU Bursts

CPU-bound process



- As processors become faster, processes tend to become more I/O bound
 - Why?
 - CPU is becoming faster than the I?O

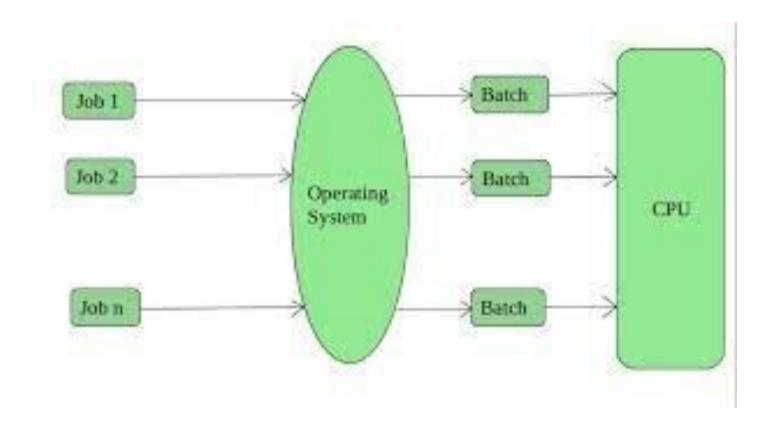
Non-preemptive vs Preemptive scheduling

- Non-preemptive Scheduling Algorithm
 - Picks up a process to run
 - Let the process run until it blocks (for I/O or waiting for another process) or voluntarily releases the CPU
 - A process may run for hours; it will not be forcibly suspended
 - No scheduling decisions are made during clock interrupts
- Preemptive Scheduling
 - Picks up a process to run
 - lets the process run for a maximum of some fixed time
 - At the end of time period, timer interrupt occurs
 - In Kernel mode, scheduler picks up another ready process to run

Scheduling Algorithms - types

- Different environment require different scheduling algorithms
 - Different applications have different goals □ appropriate scheduling algorithms
- Categories of Scheduling Algorithms
 - Batch
 - Interactive
 - Real time (deadlines)

Batch System



Scheduling Policy Goals/Criteria

- Minimize Response Time
 - Time between issuing a command and getting result
- Maximize Throughput
 - Maximize operations (or jobs) per second
- Minimize Turnaround time
 - Average elapsed time primarily for batch system
- Fairness
 - Share CPU among users in some equitable way

First-Come, First-Served (FCFS) Scheduling

- First-Come, First-Served (FCFS)
 - Also First In First Out (FIFO) or Run until done
 - In early systems, FCFS meant one program scheduled until done (including I/O)
 - Now, means keep CPU until thread blocks



- Simple Algorithm, Easy to implement (+)
- FCFS Scheme: Potentially bad for short jobs!
 - Depends on submit order
 - If you are first in line at supermarket with milk, you don't care who is behind you, on the other hand...
 - Convoy effect: short process stuck behind long process (-)

Shortest Job First (SJF)

- Non-preemptive
- Run whatever job has least amount of computation to do
- Provably optimal
- Need to know run times in advance

Shortest Remaining Time First (SRTF)

- Preemptive version of SJF
- If job arrives and has a shorter time to completion than the remaining time on the current job, immediately preempt CPU
- Sometimes called Shortest Remaining Time to Completion First (SRTCF)
- Both SJF and SRTF:
 - These can be applied to whole program or current CPU burst
 - Idea is to get short jobs out of the system
 - Big effect on short jobs, only small effect on long ones
 - Result is better average response time

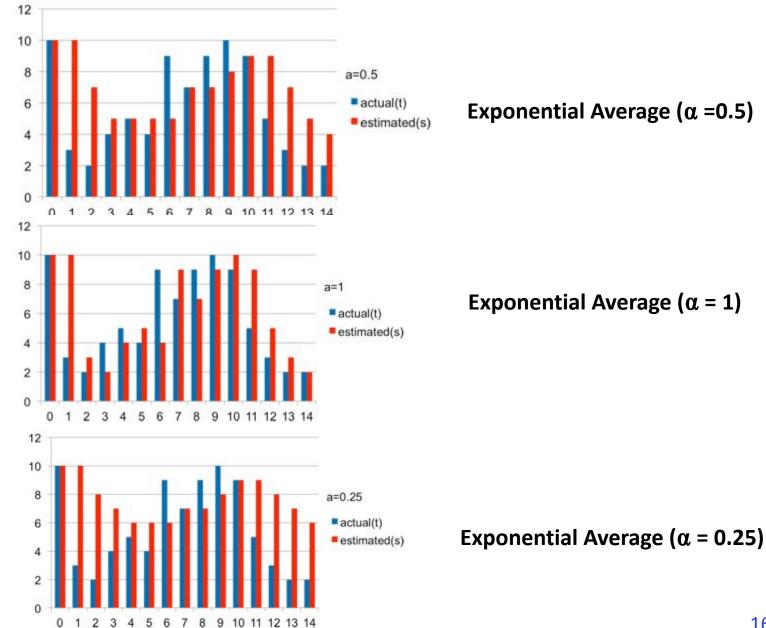
Estimating future CPU Burst time

- The SRTF algorithm can be applied to whole program or current CPU burst
- Sorting based on future burst time?
 - How do we know it ?
- Solution:
 - Predict future burst based on the past history
 - Use an estimator function on previous bursts:
 Let tn-1, tn-2, tn-3, etc. be previous CPU burst lengths.
 Estimate next burst Tn = f(tn-1, tn-2, tn-3, ...)
 - For example: Exponential Averaging
 - $Tn = \alpha tn 1 + (1 \alpha)Tn 1$ with $(0 < \alpha \le 1)$, where
 - Tn : predicted size of the n^{th} CPU burst
 - tn-1 : the measured time of the $(n-1)^{th}$ burst
 - α : a weighing factor

Estimating future CPU Burst time

- Weighing factor α can be adjusted based on how much to weigh past history versus last observation
- If $\alpha = 1$ then only the last observation of the CPU burst period counts
- If $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ then the last observation has as much weight as the historical weight

Exponential Average with α = 0.5, 1, 0.25



Advantages and Disadvantages of SRTF

Advantages

- This scheduling is optimal in that it always produces the lowest average response time
- Processes with short CPU bursts are given priority and hence run quickly

Disadvantages

- Long-burst (CPU-intensive) processes are hurt with a long average waiting time
- In fact, if short-burst processes are always available to run, the long-burst ones may never get scheduled
 - Starvation
- The effectiveness of meeting the scheduling criteria relies on our ability to estimate the length of the next CPU burst

Useful metrics

- Waiting time for process P: time before P got scheduled
- Average waiting time: Average of all processes' wait time.
- Completion time (response time): Waiting time + Run time.
- Average completion time (response time): Average of all processes' completion time

Scheduling in Interactive Systems

Scheduling in Interactive Systems

- Round Robin
- Priority

Round Robin



"MY TURN! MY TURN!"

Round Robin (RR) Scheduling



- Uses Preemption!
- Each process gets a small unit of CPU time (time quantum), usually 10-100 milliseconds
- After quantum expires, the process is preempted and added to the end of the ready queue
- n processes in ready queue and time quantum is q
 - Each process gets 1/n of the CPU time
 - In chunks of at most q time units
 - No process waits more than (n-1)q time units

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The magic number

• What should q be?

- q large \Rightarrow FCFS
- q small \Rightarrow Interleaved
- q must be large with respect to context switch, otherwise overhead is too high (all overhead)

Example of RR with Time Quantum q = 20

Example: Process Burst Time

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
P_{1} & 53 \\
P_{2} & 8 \\
P_{3} & 68 \\
P_{4} & 24
\end{array}$$

• The Gantt chart is:

• Waiting time for $P_1 = 0 + (68-20)+(112-88)=72$ $P_2 = (20-0)=20$ $P_3 = (28-0)+(88-48)+(125-108)+0=85$ $P_4 = (48-0)+(108-68)=88$

- Average waiting time = (72+20+85+88)/4=66¼
- Average completion time = (125+28+153+112)/4 = 104½

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Round-Robin Quantum

- Assume that context switch overhead is 0
- What happens when we decrease q?
- 1. Avg. response time always decreases or stays the same
- 2. Avg. response time always increases or stays the same
- 3. Avg. response time can increase, decrease, or stays the same

Note: Response time: Time between issuing a command and getting result

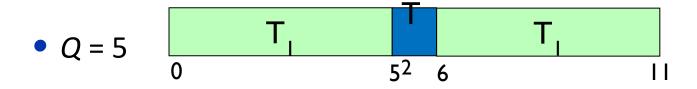
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Decrease in Response Time

- T₁: Burst Length 10
- T₂: Burst Length 1



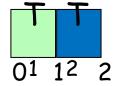
• Average Response Time = (10 + 11)/2 = 10.5



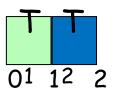
• Average Response Time = (6 + 11)/2 = 8.5

Same Response Time

- T1: Burst Length 1
- T2: Burst Length 1
- *Q* = 10



- Average Response Time = (1 + 2)/2 = 1.5
- Q = 1



• Average Response Time = (1 + 2)/2 = 1.5

Increase in Response Time

- T1: Burst Length 1
- T2: Burst Length 1

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$$Q = 1$$
 $0 | 1^2 | 2$

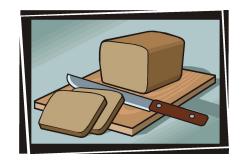
• Average Response Time = (1 + 2)/2 = 1.5

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$$Q = 0.5 \ 0 \ 2$$

• Average Response Time = (1.5 + 2)/2 = 1.75

Round-Robin Scheduling: Discussion

- How do you choose time slice?
 - What if too big?
 - Response time suffers
 - What if time slice too small?
 - Throughput suffers!



- Actual choices of timeslice:
 - Initially, UNIX timeslice one second:
 - Worked ok when UNIX was used by one or two people
 - Need to balance short-job performance and long-job throughput:
 - Typical time slice today is between 10ms 100ms
 - Typical context-switching overhead is 0.1ms 1ms
 - Roughly 1% overhead due to context-switching

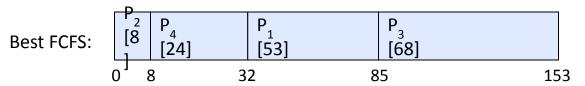
Comparisons between FCFS and Round Robin

- Assuming zero-cost context-switching time, is RR always better than FCFS?
- Simple example: 10 jobs, each take 100s of CPU time RR scheduler quantum of 1s All jobs start at the same time
- Completion Times:

Job #	FIFO	RR
I	100	991
2	200	992
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9	900	999
10	1000	1000

- Both RR and FCFS finish at the same time
- Average completion(response) time is much worse under RR!
 - Bad when all jobs same length
- Also: Cache state must be shared between all jobs with RR but can be devoted to each job with FIFO
 - Total time for RR longer even for zero-cost switch!

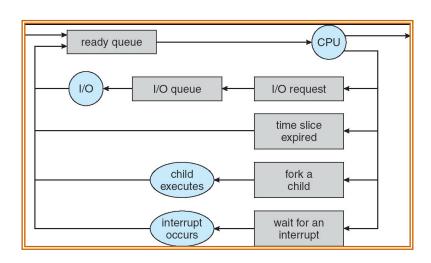
Earlier Example with Different Time Quantum



	Quantum	P_1	P ₂	P ₂	P,	Average
Wait Time	Best FCFS	32	0	85	8	31¼
	Q = 1	84	22	85	57	62
	Q = 5	82	20	85	58	61¼
	Q = 8	80	8	85	56	57¼
	Q = 10	82	10	85	68	61¼
	Q = 20	72	20	85	88	66¼
	Worst FCFS	68	145	0	121	83½
Completion Time	Best FCFS	85	8	153	32	69½
	Q = 1	137	30	153	81	100½
	Q = 5	135	28	153	82	99½
	Q = 8	133	16	153	80	95½
	Q = 10	135	18	153	92	99½
	Q = 20	125	28	153	112	104½
	Worst FCFS	121	153	68	145	121¾

How to Implement RR in the Kernel?

- FIFO Queue, as in FCFS
- But preempt job after quantum expires, and send it to the back of the queue
 - How? Timer interrupt!



Priority Scheduling

These people represent waiting threads. They aren't running on any CPU core. The bouncer represents a **semaphore**. He won't allow threads to proceed until instructed to do so.



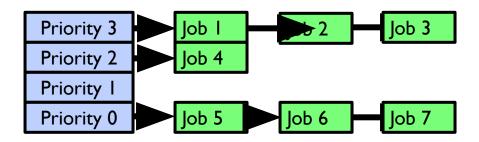




Priority Scheduling

- Run jobs according to their priority
- In RR or other Scheduling there is one queue of jobs
 - Scheduler selects the highest priority process
 - It takes O(n) time
- Solution
 - Separate queue for each distinct priority
 - Schedule the process in the highest priority queue

Multilevel Queue Scheduling – Strict Priority



Execution Plan

- Always execute highest-priority runnable jobs to completion
- Each queue can be processed in RR with some time-quantum
- A priority is assigned statically to each process, and a process remains in the same queue for the duration of the run time

Problems

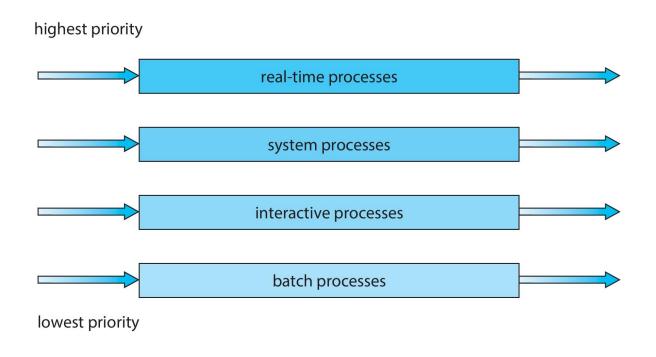
- Starvation
 - Lower priority jobs don't get to run because higher priority jobs
- Deadlock: Priority Inversion
 - Happens when low priority task holds a lock needed by high-priority task

Multi level queue: Strict Priority Scheduling: Fairness Issues

- Strict fixed-priority scheduling between queues is unfair (run highest, then next, etc):
 - Long running low priority jobs may never get CPU
 - When you shut down machine, you may find 10-year-old job still waiting to run ??
- Must give long-running jobs (with low priority) a fraction of the CPU even when there are higher priority jobs to run

Multilevel Queue Scheduling (for different process types)

Prioritization based upon process type





Adaptive Scheduling

"I purchased this great book on time management, but with my schedule I don't have the time to read it."

Adaptive Scheduling

 How can we adapt the scheduling algorithm based on threads' past behavior?

- Two steps:
 - Based on past observations, predict what threads will do in the future
 - 2. Make scheduling decisions based on those predictions

 Now, let's look at the first step. How can we predict future behavior from past behavior?

Predicting Future Behavior

- Consider Round-Robin Scheduling
- If process exhausts quantum, has to be preempted
 - Consuming all of the CPU time it can: "CPU-Bound"
 - Likely to remain CPU-Bound
- If process blocks on I/O before quantum exhausted
 - Short CPU bursts, just to initiate I/O: "I/O-Bound"
 - Often interactive tasks
 - Likely to remain I/O-Bound and/or Interactive

How to implement Fairness?

- Could give each queue some fraction of the CPU?
- Could increase priority of jobs that don't get service
 - What rate should you increase priorities?
 - And, as system gets overloaded, no job gets CPU time, so everyone increases in priority
 - → Interactive jobs suffer
- → Multilevel Feedback Queue

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Lecture Summary

- Interactive systems use scheduling that reduce average response time
- Round Robin is the oldest, simplest, fairest, and widely used scheduling algorithm
- In round robin algorithm, proper choice of time quantum is very important
 - If the time quantum is too short, there will too many context switches
 ☐ lower CPU utilization
 - If the time quantum is too big, there will be high values of wait time and response time

 □ poor response to short interactive requests
- Priority scheduling
 - Multilevel Queue Scheduling Strict Priority
- Adaptive Scheduling

Backup

Types of Resource

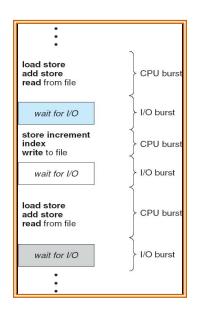
- Preemptible
 - OS can take resource away, use it for something else, and give it back later
 - E.g., CPU
- Non-preemptible
 - Once given resource, it can't be reused until voluntarily relinquished
 - E.g., disk space
- Given set of resources and set of requests for the resources, types of resource determines how OS manages it

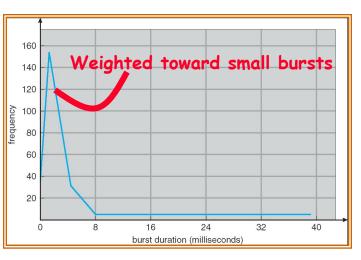
Scheduling Assumptions

- Many implicit assumptions for CPU scheduling:
 - One program per user
 - One thread per program
 - Programs are independent
- Clearly, these are unrealistic but they simplify the problem so it can be solved
 - For instance: is "fair" about fairness among users or programs?
 - If I run one compilation job and you run five, you get five times as much CPU on many operating systems
- The high-level goal: Dole out CPU time to optimize some desired parameters of system



Assumption: CPU Bursts





- Execution model: programs alternate between bursts of CPU and I/O
 - Program typically uses the CPU for some period of time, then does I/O, then uses CPU again
 - Each scheduling decision is about which job to give to the CPU for use in next CPU burst
 - If a process comes back after I/O wait, it counts as a fresh CPU burst
 - With time-slicing, thread may be forced to give up CPU before finishing current CPU burst