

# **Disk-scheduling Algorithms**

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# File Documentation

## c\_look.cpp File Reference

Simulates the C-LOOK scheduling algorithm.

```
#include <algorithm>
#include <vector>
#include "disk_sched.h"
```

### Functions

- **int c\_look** (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])  
*C-LOOK (Circular-LOOK)*

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### Detailed Description

Simulates the C-LOOK scheduling algorithm.

Simulates the C-LOOK algorithm and returns total amount of head movement required by the algorithm.

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### Function Documentation

#### int c\_look (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])

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The direction switches once there are no pending requests in that direction.

The function creates two arrays: for requests less than the initial head position, and for requests greater. The order in which they are processed depends on the initial direction of the disk head.

#### Parameters:

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

#### Returns:

Total amount of head movement

Place requests into an 'up' and 'down' vector which will be sorted

Assumes that == are processed first, therefore 0 head movement

If the head is moving left initially

Sort both up and down in descending order

Service the 'down' array

Head position wraps around to the highest request in 'up' array

Service 'up' array

Sort both up and down in ascending order

Service 'up' array

Head position wraps around to the lowest request in 'down' array

Service the 'down' array

## c\_scan.cpp File Reference

Simulates the C-SCAN scheduling algorithm.

```
#include <algorithm>
#include <vector>
#include "disk_sched.h"
```

### Functions

- `int c_scan` (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])  
*C-SCAN (Circular-SCAN)*

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### Detailed Description

Simulates the C-SCAN scheduling algorithm.

Simulates the C-SCAN algorithm and returns total amount of head movement required by the algorithm.

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### Function Documentation

#### int c\_scan (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])

C-SCAN (Circular-SCAN)

Simulates the C-SCAN algorithm. Function creates two arrays: for requests less than the initial head position, and for requests greater. The order in which they are processed depends on the initial direction of the disk head. In between processing each, we make sure that the position gets 'wrapped' around to simulate the circular list. The algorithm makes sure that the C-SCAN goes to the end by appending a 0 or CYLINDER-1 as the case may be.

#### Parameters:

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

#### Returns:

Total amount of head movement

Place requests into an 'up' and 'down' vector which will be sorted

Assumes that == are processed first, therefore 0 head movement

If the head is moving left initially

Sort both up and down in descending order

C-SCAN goes down to 0 (as long as the up array is not empty)

Service the 'down' array

Head position wraps around to the last cylinder

Service 'up' array

Sort both up and down in ascending order

C-SCAN goes up to last cylinder (as long as down array is not empty)

Service 'up' array

Head position wraps around to the first cylinder

Service the 'down' array

## disk\_sched.cpp File Reference

Main file for the Disk-Scheduling Algorithms.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "disk_sched.h"
```

### Functions

- `int main (int argc, char *argv[])`

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### Detailed Description

Main file for the Disk-Scheduling Algorithms.

Creates request array and reads in initial disk head position. Passes these values into each function.

Compilation Instructions: `make`

Run: `./disk_sched initial_position`

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### Function Documentation

#### `int main (int argc, char * argv[])`

Creates an array of random requests, and takes in initial disk head position from the command line. These are passed to each of the disk scheduling functions. The head movement for each function is printed out.

#### Parameters:

in	<i>argc</i>	Integer count of the command-line arguments
in	<i>argv</i>	Vector of the command-line arguments

#### Returns:

0 Indicates normal termination of main.

Check for correct number of command-line arguments

Read in initial disk head position

Array to hold random cylinder requests

Seed random number generator

Fill with rand mod number of cylinders

Print results

## disk\_sched.h File Reference

Disk scheduler header file. Contains function prototypes for each disk scheduling algorithm. Also defines number of requests and cylinders.

### Macros

- `#define REQUESTS 1000`
- `#define CYLINDERS 5000`

### Functions

- `int fcfs (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`  
*First Come First Serve.*
- `int sstf (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`  
*Shortest Seek Time First.*
- `int scan (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`  
*SCAN (aka elevator)*
- `int c_scan (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`  
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- `int look (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`  
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- `int c_look (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`  
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### Detailed Description

Disk scheduler header file. Contains function prototypes for each disk scheduling algorithm. Also defines number of requests and cylinders.

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### Macro Definition Documentation

`#define CYLINDERS 5000`

`#define REQUESTS 1000`

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### Function Documentation

`int c_look (int initial_pos, int request [REQUESTS])`



### C-LOOK (Circular-LOOK)

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The direction switches once there are no pending requests in that direction.

The function creates two arrays: for requests less than the initial head position, and for requests greater. The order in which they are processed depends on the initial direction of the disk head.

#### Parameters:

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

#### Returns:

Total amount of head movement

Place requests into an 'up' and 'down' vector which will be sorted

Assumes that == are processed first, therefore 0 head movement

If the head is moving left initially

Sort both up and down in descending order

Service the 'down' array

Head position wraps around to the highest request in 'up' array

Service 'up' array

Sort both up and down in ascending order

Service 'up' array

Head position wraps around to the lowest request in 'down' array

Service the 'down' array

**int c\_scan (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])**

### C-SCAN (Circular-SCAN)

Simulates the C-SCAN algorithm. Function creates two arrays: for requests less than the initial head position, and for requests greater. The order in which they are processed depends on the initial direction of the disk head. In between processing each, we make sure that the position gets 'wrapped' around to simulate the circular list. The algorithm makes sure that the C-SCAN goes to the end by appending a 0 or CYLINDER-1 as the case may be.

#### Parameters:

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

#### Returns:

Total amount of head movement

Place requests into an 'up' and 'down' vector which will be sorted

Assumes that == are processed first, therefore 0 head movement

If the head is moving left initially

Sort both up and down in descending order

C-SCAN goes down to 0 (as long as the up array is not empty)

Service the 'down' array  
 Head position wraps around to the last cylinder  
 Service 'up' array  
 Sort both up and down in ascending order  
 C-SCAN goes up to last cylinder (as long as down array is not empty)  
 Service 'up' array  
 Head position wraps around to the first cylinder  
 Service the 'down' array

**int fcfs (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])**

First Come First Serve.

Simulates the first-come, first-served algorithm. Function loops through requests summing up each consecutive head movement.

**Parameters:**

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

**Returns:**

Total amount of head movement  
 Loop through requests array summing up differences in head positions

**int look (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])**

LOOK.

Simulates the LOOK algorithm. Functionality of the LOOK was unclear regarding direction switching. Used description from here:  
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 The direction switches once there are no pending requests in that direction.

The function creates two arrays: for requests less than the initial head position, and for requests greater. The order in which they are processed depends on the initial direction of the disk head.

**Parameters:**

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

**Returns:**

Total amount of head movement  
 Place requests into an 'up' and 'down' vector which will be sorted  
 Assumes that == are processed first, therefore 0 head movement  
 Sort 'down' in descending order and 'up' in ascending  
 If the head is moving left initially  
 Service the 'down' array  
 Service 'up' array  
 Service 'up' array

Service the 'down' array

**int scan (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])**

SCAN (aka elevator)

Simulates the SCAN algorithm. Function creates two arrays: for requests less than the initial head position, and for requests greater. The order in which they are processed depends on the initial direction of the disk head. The algorithm makes sure the SCAN changes directions at each end by appending a 0 or CYLINDER-1 as the case may be.

**Parameters:**

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

**Returns:**

Total amount of head movement

Place requests into an 'up' and 'down' vector which will be sorted

Assumes that == are processed first, therefore 0 head movement

Sort 'down' in descending order and 'up' in ascending

If the head is moving left initially

SCAN goes down to 0 (as long as the up array is not empty)

Service the 'down' array

Service 'up' array

SCAN goes up to last cylinder (as long as down array is not empty)

Service 'up' array

Service the 'down' array

**int sstf (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])**

Shortest Seek Time First.

Simulates the shortest-seek-time-first algorithm. Function loops through requests looking for the request with the shortest seek time. The head movement is added and the next shortest seek time is found until the request array is exhausted.

**Parameters:**

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

**Returns:**

Total amount of head movement

Set shortest seek time to largest value

Duplicate request queue

Look for request with shortest seek time in remaining request array

Swap element with shortest request time to the front

Add head movement

Move current position down

Reset shortest seek time

## fcfs.cpp File Reference

Simulates the FCFS scheduling algorithm.

```
#include <cmath>
```

```
#include "disk_sched.h"
```

### Functions

- `int fcfs (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`  
*First Come First Serve.*

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### Detailed Description

Simulates the FCFS scheduling algorithm.

Simulates the first-come, first-served algorithm and returns total amount of head movement required by the algorithm.

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### Function Documentation

#### `int fcfs (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`

First Come First Serve.

Simulates the first-come, first-served algorithm. Function loops through requests summing up each consecutive head movement.

#### Parameters:

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

#### Returns:

Total amount of head movement

Loop through requests array summing up differences in head positions

## look.cpp File Reference

Simulates the LOOK scheduling algorithm.

```
#include <algorithm>
#include <vector>
#include "disk_sched.h"
```

### Functions

- `int look` (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])  
*LOOK.*

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### Detailed Description

Simulates the LOOK scheduling algorithm.

Simulates the LOOK algorithm and returns total amount of head movement required by the algorithm.

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### Function Documentation

#### `int look` (int initial\_pos, int request[REQUESTS])

*LOOK.*

Simulates the LOOK algorithm. Functionality of the LOOK was unclear regarding direction switching. Used description from here:

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The direction switches once there are no pending requests in that direction.

The function creates two arrays: for requests less than the initial head position, and for requests greater. The order in which they are processed depends on the initial direction of the disk head.

#### Parameters:

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

#### Returns:

Total amount of head movement

Place requests into an 'up' and 'down' vector which will be sorted

Assumes that == are processed first, therefore 0 head movement

Sort 'down' in descending order and 'up' in ascending

If the head is moving left initially

Service the 'down' array

Service 'up' array

Service 'up' array

Service the 'down' array

## scan.cpp File Reference

Simulates the SCAN scheduling algorithm.

```
#include <algorithm>
#include <vector>
#include "disk_sched.h"
```

### Functions

- `int scan (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`  
*SCAN (aka elevator)*

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### Detailed Description

Simulates the SCAN scheduling algorithm.

Simulates the SCAN algorithm and returns total amount of head movement required by the algorithm.

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### Function Documentation

#### `int scan (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`

SCAN (aka elevator)

Simulates the SCAN algorithm. Function creates two arrays: for requests less than the initial head position, and for requests greater. The order in which they are processed depends on the initial direction of the disk head. The algorithm makes sure the SCAN changes directions at each end by appending a 0 or CYLINDER-1 as the case may be.

#### Parameters:

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

#### Returns:

Total amount of head movement

Place requests into an 'up' and 'down' vector which will be sorted

Assumes that == are processed first, therefore 0 head movement

Sort 'down' in descending order and 'up' in ascending

If the head is moving left initially

SCAN goes down to 0 (as long as the up array is not empty)

Service the 'down' array

Service 'up' array



SCAN goes up to last cylinder (as long as down array is not empty)

Service 'up' array

Service the 'down' array

## sstf.cpp File Reference

Simulates the SSTF scheduling algorithm.

```
#include <algorithm>
```

```
#include <cmath>
```

```
#include "disk_sched.h"
```

### Functions

- `int sstf (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`  
*Shortest Seek Time First.*

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### Detailed Description

Simulates the SSTF scheduling algorithm.

Simulates the shortest-seek-time-first algorithm and returns total amount of head movement required by the algorithm.

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### Function Documentation

#### `int sstf (int initial_pos, int request[REQUESTS])`

Shortest Seek Time First.

Simulates the shortest-seek-time-first algorithm. Function loops through requests looking for the request with the shortest seek time. The head movement is added and the next shortest seek time is found until the request array is exhausted.

#### Parameters:

in	<i>initial_pos</i>	Initial disk head position
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

#### Returns:

Total amount of head movement

Set shortest seek time to largest value

Duplicate request queue

Look for request with shortest seek time in remaining request array

Swap element with shortest request time to the front

Add head movement

Move current position down

Reset shortest seek time