

- x brk : lock data region, to prevent changes. Next if increase operation, if new region is illegal (overlap, unavail) unlock & fail. Else, change size (growreg), zero out data spc addrs. & unlock region.

x Process Scheduling, Time & Clock - :

- x CPU scheduler (part of OS) selects processes from ready queue for execution.
- x Attempts : Maximize : Throughput, CPU utilization
Minimize : Waiting, Response, Turn-around Time.

Throughput : # procs. / unit time (completed)

CPU Util : Time in which CPU is busy.

Wait Time : Time spent in ready queue

Response Time : Time spent in waiting until first schedule.
(first CPU allot)

Turn-Around Time : Total difference b/w start & end time stamps.

- x Dispatcher : Allots CPU to process in ready state & move to running state after process is scheduled by scheduler.
(Performs context switch, switch to user mode, jump to proper instruction to resume exec)
Dispatch Latency : Time taken for switch.

- x Non-preemptive Scheduling : Process always completes execution prior to switch. (No preempt based on priority)

- x Preemptive Scheduling : Process may be preempted to allot CPU to another higher priority process.

Multilevel Queue Scheduling —

- Ready queue partitioned into queues (eg. foreground & background), & each queue is scheduled via a separate scheduling algorithm.
- Process do not change queues.
- Scheduling also done b/w queues. (Using a sched. algo.)

Multilevel Feedback Queue Scheduling —

- MFS, w/ process allowed to switch queues (based on task size). (Process moved automatically b/w queues (prioritizing))
- Eg : Q_1 : RR (Quantum = 8ms)
 Q_2 : RR (Quantum = 16ms)
 Q_3 : FCFS

P_i w/ burst time 16+ms first enters Q_1 , if it does not complete moved to Q_2 (lower priority) & if it does not complete moved to Q_3 (FCFS, lowest priority).

x Unix - Scheduler : Fair - Share Scheduler (Incorporates group info in Round Robin), w/ MFQS.

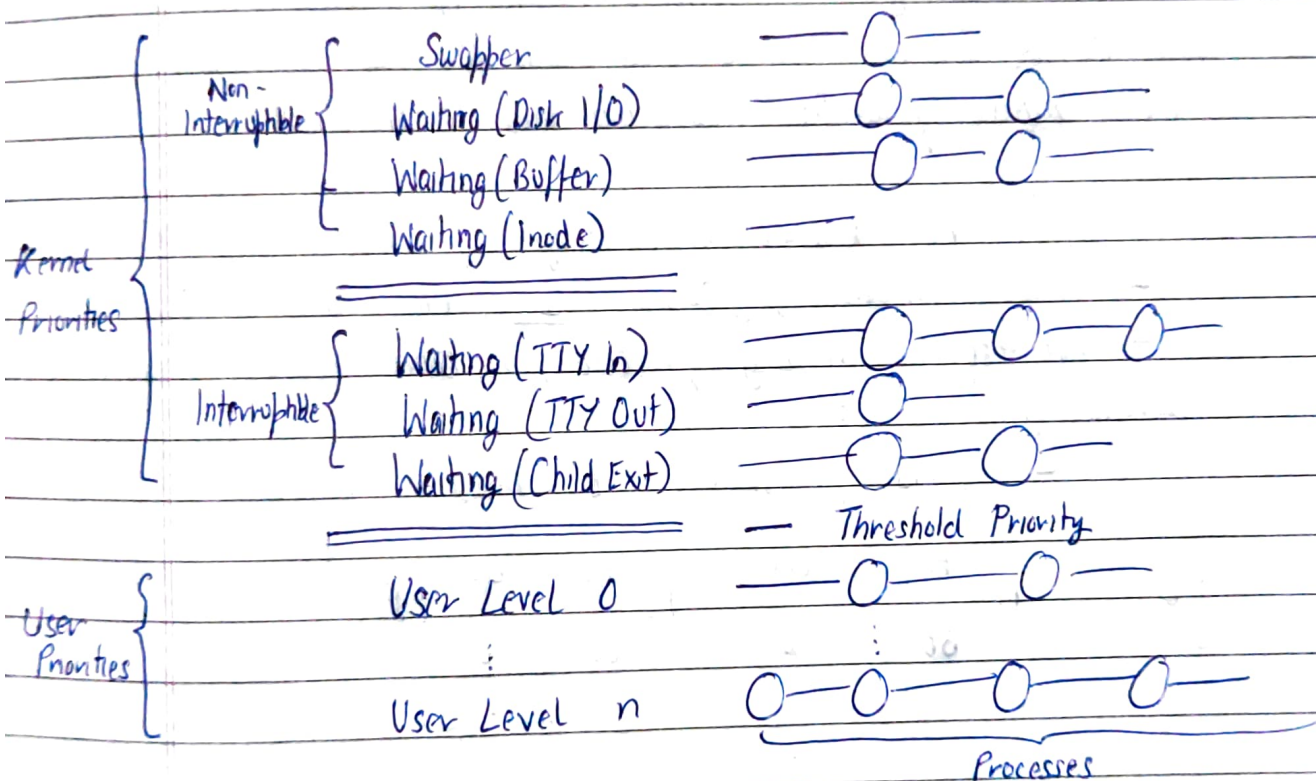
- Uses a time-slice / time-quantum.
- Process preempted post expiration of time slice.
- Processes also have priority (influences decision of scheduling)
- tie breaking rule : kernel picks process w/ longest ready to run.
- Process table maintains priority field.
 - Low Priority \Rightarrow Recently allotted CPU.

schedule-process : While a process has not been picked for execution,

x Priority Levels :

User Priorities (Lower than kernel)

Kernel Priorities (priority threshold above a threshold).



- Kernel mode priority levels in order of resource utilization levels.
(Higher resource usage \Rightarrow higher priority level (to free resources faster))
- Priorities recomputed after every time slice (user & kernel levels).

Priority Adjustment — :

- x Assigned to process about to sleep
- x Reassigned to process moving from kernel to user mode.

- x Clock handler readjusts priorities of all processes in user mode at 1s intervals (causes kernel to go through the scheduler to prevent CPU use monopoly)
- x Clock may interrupt process several times during its time quantum.
- x $\text{decay}(\text{CPU-Usage-Time}) = \text{CPU-usage-time}/2$
- x Priority readjustment :
 - $\text{Priority} = (\text{base level user priority}) + \frac{1}{2}\text{decay}(\text{recent-cpu-usage})$
 - Lower priority \Rightarrow Higher chance of scheduling.
- x Priorities of processes in kernel mode are not readjusted.
- x User mode priorities restricted with a threshold.

Eg: - P_1, P_2, P_3 , created simultaneously w/ initial priority 60.
 - Time Quantum: ~~(1/60)s~~ 1s, Clock tick: ~~(1/60)s~~
 - No syscall in any processes, no other ready processes.

Scheduling flow :

- Initial priorities: $60 (\text{Base}) + \text{CPU}/2 = 60$

T ↓	P_1	Prio.	CPU	P_2	Prio.	CPU	P_3	Prio.	CPU
0		60	0		60	0		60	0
			60						
1	P_1	75	30	P_2	60	0		60	0
			30			60			
2	P_2	67	15	P_2	75	30	P_3	60	0
			15			30			60
3	P_1	63	7	P_2	67	15	P_3	75	30

3	P ₁	63	7	P ₂	67	15	P ₃	75	30
			⋮			⋮			⋮
			67			15			30
4	P ₁	76	33	P ₂	63	7	P ₃	67	15
			⋮			⋮			⋮
			33			67			15
5	P ₁	88	16	P ₂	76	33	P ₃	63	7
			⋮			⋮			⋮
			16			33			67
6	P ₁	64	8	P ₂	88	15	P ₃	76	33

value (highest priority)

Procedure : Allot CPU to lowest priority process.

Add $(\text{seconds} / \text{time quantum}) * (\text{ticks} / \text{seconds})$ to CPU usage.

For next step : decay CPU usage.

Calculate new priority via 'decayed' CPU usage.

x Controlling Process Priorities — :

- External modification via nice (syscall).
- Child process inherits nice value of parent.
- nice(int nice-value) : increments / decrements nice field / value of process, where nice value is added to process priority.

$$\text{New Priority} = (\text{base priority}) + \frac{1}{2} \text{decay}(\text{recent-cpu-usage}) + (\text{nice-value}).$$

- Only change of self's nice value is allowed.

x Fair-Share Scheduler — :

- x Divide processes into set of fair-share groups.
- x CPU allocated proportionally to each group, regardless of processes in group.

x Handled by adding fair-share field to priority.

$$\text{Priority} = \text{Old Priority} + (\text{Group CPU Usage})/2.$$

Eg. P_1 in G_1 , P_2 & P_3 in G_2 .

Fair-Share of group added to priority value (decayed as well)
60 ticks/s, 1s time quantum.

	T ↓		P ₁			P ₂			P ₃		
			Prio.	CPU	Grp.	Prio.	CPU	Grp.	Prio.	CPU	Grp.
Schedule P ₁	0		60	0	0	60	0	0	60	0	0
↓				60	60		0	0		0	0
Schedule P ₂	1		90	30	30	60	0	0	60	0	0
↓				30	30		60	60		0	60
Schedule P ₁	2		74	15	15	90	30	30	75	0	30
↓				75	75		30	30		0	30
Schedule P ₃	3		96	37	37	74	15	15	67	0	15
↓				37	37		15	75		60	75
Schedule P ₁	4		78	18	18	80	7	37	93	30	37
↓				78	78		7	37		30	37
Schedule P ₂	5		98	39	39	70	3	18	76	15	18
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x Unix Scheduler not suitable for real-time OS, as the scheduler is time-sharing.

Time Utility System Calls — : `<time.h>`, `<sys/times.h>`, `<unistd.h>`

- x `stime(int timestamp)` : Sets timestamp to given value.
- x `time(time_t* ref)` : Gets the timestamp of the system / given to the process in the variable 'ref'.
- x `times(tms* tbuffer)` : Gets info. on time spent in user & kernel mode for both parent & child in tbuffer.

```
typedef struct tms {
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    time_t tms-utime; // User mode time (relative to sys boot)
```

```
    time_t tms-stime; // System/Kernel mode time (relative to sys boot)
```

```
    time_t tms-cutime; // User mode time (child/all children).
```

```
    time_t tms-cstime; // System mode time (all children).
```

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} tms; // Use struct-tms as tms.
```

- x `alarm(int seconds)` : Sends SIGALRM to current process after specified time in seconds.

Clock Interrupt Handler — :

- x Functions :
 - x Restart clk
 - x Schedule invoking of internal kernel fx. based on timers
 - x Provide execution profiling data & capability for kernel & user processes.
 - x Gather sys & process accounting stats.
 - x Keep track of time.
 - x Send alarm signals to processes on request.
 - x (Some operations are performed every clock intr., others after clock tick)

x Internal System Timeouts —:

- Kernel ops. require invocation of kernel fx. of real-time basis.
- Utilizes a callout table —:
 - Stores time related necessary info.
 - Functions to invoke on timeout.
 - Params for fx.
 - Time (clock ticks) until function should be called.
- Callout table entries sorted in ascending order of time to fire.
- Time to fire relative to current time & time of previous entry.

Eg	Function	Time to Fire
	a()	-2
	b()	3
	c()	10

- Absolute time to fire for a function : Cumulative time to fire of previous entries. (accumulated value) (excl. negatives).

x Insertion to Callout Table :

- Kernel finds correct timed position for new entry.
- Time field of successive entry adjusted to reflect correction.

Eg : add f() [Abs. Time to Fire : 5]

=>	Function	Time to Fire
	a()	-2
	b()	3
	f()	2
	c()	8

add d() [Abs. Time to Fire : 12]

=>	Function	Time to Fire
	a()	-2
	b()	3
	f()	2
	d()	7
	c()	1

× During Execution :

- Decrease tick / time to fire value for first entry by 1 (from 1st +ve t.t.f. entry).
- Changes in successive entries are not required.
- On 0, fire the function associated on timeout.

× Negative Time To Fire entries :

- Signify functions NOT triggered upon their timeouts, due to kernel being busy or resource unavailability or interrupt.
- T.T.F value decremented below 0 on successive ticks.
- On interrupt for timeout, kernel execs. fc whose TTF are 0 or -ve.
- Timeout signals implemented as software signals & interrupts (∴ low priority compared to other interrupts).

clock Algorithm : Maintains program counter info for profiling, if requested & repeatedly cycles to detect timeouts.

- : First restart clock, on non empty callout table.
- adjust callout times & schedule timeout fc if timeout.
- On kernel profiling, note PC value on interrupt.

× Profiling - :

- × Measure of execution of system in system (kernel) & user mode.
- × Measure of time spent executing individual kernel routines.
- × Kernel Profile Driver :
 - Monitors relative perf. of kernel modules by sampling activity.

- × Profile execution of processes at user-level w/ profil
 profil (buff, bufsize, offset, scale);

buff : Array addr. in user spc to store info.

bufsize : Size of buffer array, in bytes.

offset : Start addr of process/fix to profile (user virt. addr).

scale : factor to map user virt. addr. into arr.

x Accounting & Statistics —:

- Processes have two fields in v-area : elapsed kernel & user time.
- Clock interrupts : record user & kernel time, as well as memory usage (function of priv regions & prop. shared region usage) for processes (done by kernel).
- Shared memory usage recorded as proportion of processes sharing the memory.

Eg : Shared Text = 50K (w 4 oth proc.)

Stack = 40K

Data = 25K

Proc. Mem. Usage : $40 + 25 + (50/5) = 75K$