

COL331, COL633, ELL405:

Operating System

Assignment 2: Priority Scheduler

[12 Marks]

Due Date: To Be decided

Update

Make the following changes in the source code

- Change the value of **NCPU** from **8** to **2** in file *param.h*
- Change the value of **system_trace_on** from **1** to **0** in file *syscall.c*

Download input and checker files from the following [link](#).

This tar ball contains

assig2_1, *assig2_2* and *assig2_3* user programs to check the implementation (some hidden cases which will be run after the submission). Do required modifications in the Makefile for this.

out_assig2_1 and *out_assig2_2* are the expected output for the respective user programs. NOTE: There is no output file for test case 3.

check1.py, **check2.py** and **check3.py** : To check the implementation of the respective user program.

submit.sh: This will create a tar ball which you have to submit on Moodle.

test_assig2.sh: To run the user program. eg: to run the user program *assig2_1*, run

```
./test_assig2.sh assig2_1
```

Part 1: Add and print priority of the process [3 Marks]

Part 1 (a) Modify `sys_ps` to print priority [1 Marks]

Your first task is to modify the `sys_ps` from assignment 1 to print priority for each process. The following format has to be followed:

pid: < Process-Id > name:< Process-Name > state: < Process-State > priority:< Priority >

For this part, create a new user program, which should in turn call your `sys_ps()` system call, or you can use `assig2_1.c` provided by us. The expected output can be seen in the file `out_assig2_1` for reference purposes. We will use some other hidden test cases also.

Part 1 (b) Add `sys_setpriority` system call [2 Marks]

After you are done with the part a of the assignment, the priority of each processes will be set to a default value (5).

In this part, you will add a new system call (`setpriority`) for the process to change its priority. It will take 2 arguments, `pid` and priority of the process, and then set the priority of the process to given value.

After the system call implementation is done, you need a *user program* to actually make the system call. You can also use user program provided by us called as `assig2_2.c`.

It can be called as:

```
assign2_2 < Process-Id > < Priority >
```

Part 2: Implement Priority Scheduler [5 Marks]

Replace the round-robin scheduler for xv6 with a priority-based scheduler. The valid priority for a process is in the range of 1 to 20. The smaller value represents the smaller priority. For example, a process with a priority of 20 has the highest priority, while a process with a priority of 1 has the lowest priority. A priority-based scheduler always selects the process with the highest priority for execution. If there are multiple processes with the same highest priority, the scheduler uses round-robin to execute.

Create a user-level program to test it. You can use user program provided by us which is called **`assig2_3.c`** that calls your new system call.

The output generated can be directly checked by running `check3.py`.

Part 3: Starvation (Coming Soon) [4 Marks]

Part 4: Two page report.

Create a two page report, briefly explaining the code. This should list any new variables or data structures added by you along with their usage.

Note:

- Part 3 will be updated soon
- Please make minimal changes to xv6; you do not want to make it hard for us to grade!
- There will be some more hidden testcases on which your code will be evaluated.
- Please make sure that you follow the naming convention mentioned above for system calls, otherwise the test cases will fail and you will receive no marks for that.
- We will run Moss on the submissions. We will also include submissions from other sources (past year or Internet). Any cheating will result in a zero in the assignment, a penalty as per the course policy and possibly much stricter penalties (including a fail grade and/or a DISCO).
- There will be NO demo for assignment 2. Your code will be evaluated using check script on hidden test cases and marks will be awarded based on that.
- No marks will be awarded if you do not follow the required format (naming conventions).

Submission Instructions

- Run
 - **submit.sh**. This takes two arguments, Entry Number and path to the report file.
 - eg: **./submit.sh 2017ANZ8353 report.pdf**
 - This will create a tar ball 2017ANZ8353.tar.gz
- Submit the generated tar ball on Moodle.