

Program Name: Round Robin CPU Scheduling Algorithm

Type: Preemptive Scheduling

Key Feature: Each process gets equal CPU time in cyclic order

Uses: Time-sharing operating systems

Concept of Round Robin (RR)

- RR is a **preemptive scheduling algorithm**.
 - Every process gets a fixed **Time Quantum (TQ)**.
 - If a process doesn't finish in its time slice, it goes back to the **ready queue**.
 - CPU moves to next process.
 - This continues until all processes complete.
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Important Terms

Term Meaning

AT Arrival Time (When process enters CPU queue)

BT Burst Time (Total execution time needed)

RT Remaining Time (BT that is still left)

WT Waiting Time (Time spent in queue, not executing)

TAT Turn Around Time (Completion Time – Arrival Time)

TQ Time Quantum (Fixed time slot per process)

Formula:

$$WT = \text{Completion Time} - \text{Arrival Time} - \text{Burst Time}$$

$$TAT = \text{Burst Time} + \text{Waiting Time}$$

Step-by-step Code Explanation

1 Declaring Variables

```
int n, i, tq, time = 0, completed = 0;
```

```
int at[20], bt[20], rt[20], wt[20], tat[20];
```

- n = number of processes
- at[] = arrival time

- $bt[]$ = burst time
 - $rt[]$ = remaining time (copy of burst time)
 - $wt[]$ = waiting time
 - $tat[]$ = turn around time
 - $time$ = system clock
 - $completed$ = number of finished processes
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2 Input Section

```
for(i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    scanf("%d", &at[i]);  
    scanf("%d", &bt[i]);  
    rt[i] = bt[i]; // remaining time initialized  
}
```

- ✓ Stores arrival & burst time for each process
 - ✓ Copies burst time into remaining time
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3 Round Robin Execution Loop

```
while (completed != n) {  
    for(i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
        if(at[i] <= time && rt[i] > 0) {  
            // Process execution logic  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- ✓ Loop runs until all processes finish
- ✓ Each process executes if:
 - It has arrived ($at[i] \leq time$)
 - It still has remaining time ($rt[i] > 0$)

4 If Remaining Time > Time Quantum

```
if(rt[i] > tq) {  
    time += tq;  
    rt[i] -= tq;  
}
```

- Process executes only for time quantum
 - Remaining time reduces
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5 If Remaining Time ≤ Time Quantum

```
else {  
    time += rt[i];  
    wt[i] = time - at[i] - bt[i];  
    rt[i] = 0;  
    completed++;  
}
```

- ✓ Process finishes completely
 - ✓ Waiting time is calculated
 - ✓ completed++ increases finished count
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6 Gantt Chart Printing

```
printf(" -- P%d -- %d", i+1, time);
```

- ✓ Prints execution order

Example output:

```
0 -- P1 -- 4 -- P2 -- 8 -- P1 -- 10 ...
```

7 Calculating & Displaying Table

```
tat[i] = bt[i] + wt[i];  
printf("P%d\t%d\t%d\t%d\t%d\t%d\n", ...);
```

- ✓ Turnaround Time = Burst + Waiting
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8 Average WT & TAT

```
printf("\nAverage Waiting Time: %.2f", avgWT / n);  
printf("\nAverage Turnaround Time: %.2f\n", avgTAT / n);
```

9 Theory Answer for Practical Viva

Definition:

Round Robin (RR) Scheduling is a **preemptive CPU scheduling algorithm** where each process gets a fixed time slice called **Time Quantum** in a cyclic order.

Why Used:

Used in **time-sharing operating systems** to give fair CPU time to all processes.

Advantages:

- No starvation
- All processes treated equally
- Good for interactive systems

Disadvantages:

- If time quantum is too large → behaves like FCFS
- If time quantum is too small → too many context switches