



Operating System Design

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Real-Time Systems

- Overview
- Characteristics of Real-Time Systems
 - Differ from General-Purpose Systems:
 - General Purpose systems less restrictive, deadline NOT mandatory.
 - User-oriented applications (Spreadsheet, Word Processor, Browser) do NOT require rigid response time.
 - Batch-processing systems has no timing requirements.
- Features of Real-Time Systems
 - Must produce results within certain time limits.
 - Embedded Systems: Computing device that is not obvious to the user (i.e. Household applicances, Automobile systems).
- Implementing Real-Time Operating System
 - Timing Requirements of Real-Time System.
- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
 - Scheduling for Hard Real-Time and Soft Real-Time.
- An Example: VxWorks 5.x

Real-Time Systems

- Overview (Cont)
- What is Multimedia?
 - Difference in how conventional data (text files, programs, binaries) are handled and continuous-media data.
 - Continuous-media data must be delivered (streamed) according to time restrictions (30 Frames per Second).
- Compression
 - The algorithms used to compress multimedia data.
- Requirements of Multimedia Kernels
 - Design of Operating System different for a multimedia systems.
- CPU Scheduling
- Disk Scheduling
- Network Management
- An Example: Cineblitz

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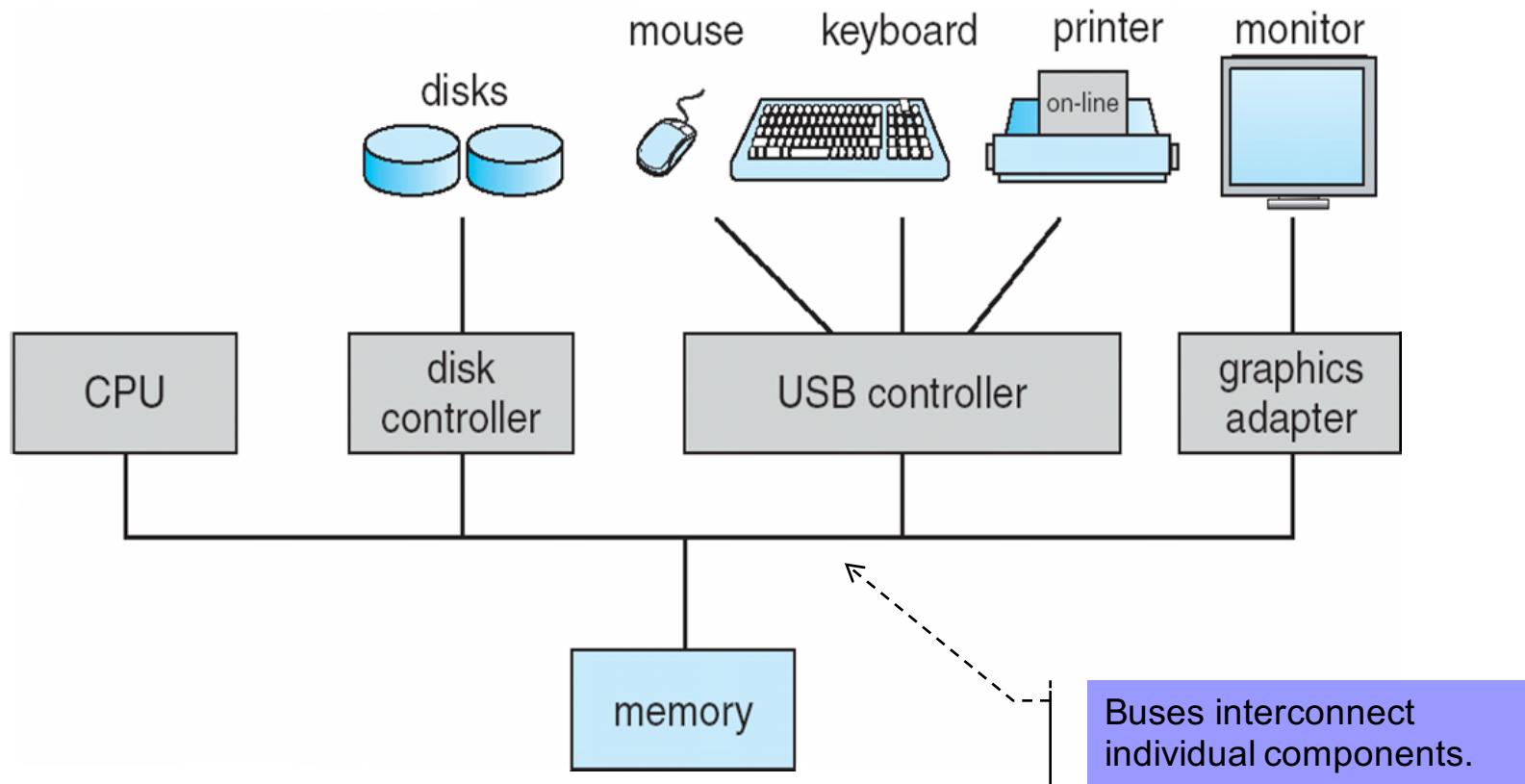
- What are Real-Time Systems?
 - Computer System that requires not only that the computing results are “correct”, but results produced within specified deadline (i.e. the result is always deterministic).
- Embedded in Specialized Devices:
 - Microware Ovens, Dishwashers, Thermostats, Cameras, Cell Phones, Automobile Control Systems, Airplane Control Systems, Networking Devices (Switches, Routers).
- Safety-Critical Systems: Missed deadline “catastrophic”.
 - Weapons Systems, Antilock Brake Systems, Flight Control Systems, Health Monitoring Systems (Pacemakers).
- Hard Real-Time Systems: Guaranteed critical Real-Time Tasks MUST be completed within deadlines.
- Soft Real-Time Systems: Critical Real-Time Tasks will receive priority over other tasks.

Real-Time Systems

- System Characteristics
- Single purpose
 - Serves single purpose: Control Antilock Brakes, Airplane Nav System.
- Small size
 - Physical size is a constraint: Cell Phone, Wristwatch, Microwave Oven.
 - Small Footprint: Lack CPU processing, memory, disk-less.
- Inexpensively mass-produced
 - Microprocessors inexpensive.
 - Reduce cost with System-On-Chip (SOC).
 - CPU, Memory, MMU, peripheral ports (USB) contained in IC.
- Specific timing requirements
 - Support timing requirements of Real-Time Tasks.
 - Scheduling Algorithms give highest scheduling priorities.
 - Minimize response time to Interrupt Events.

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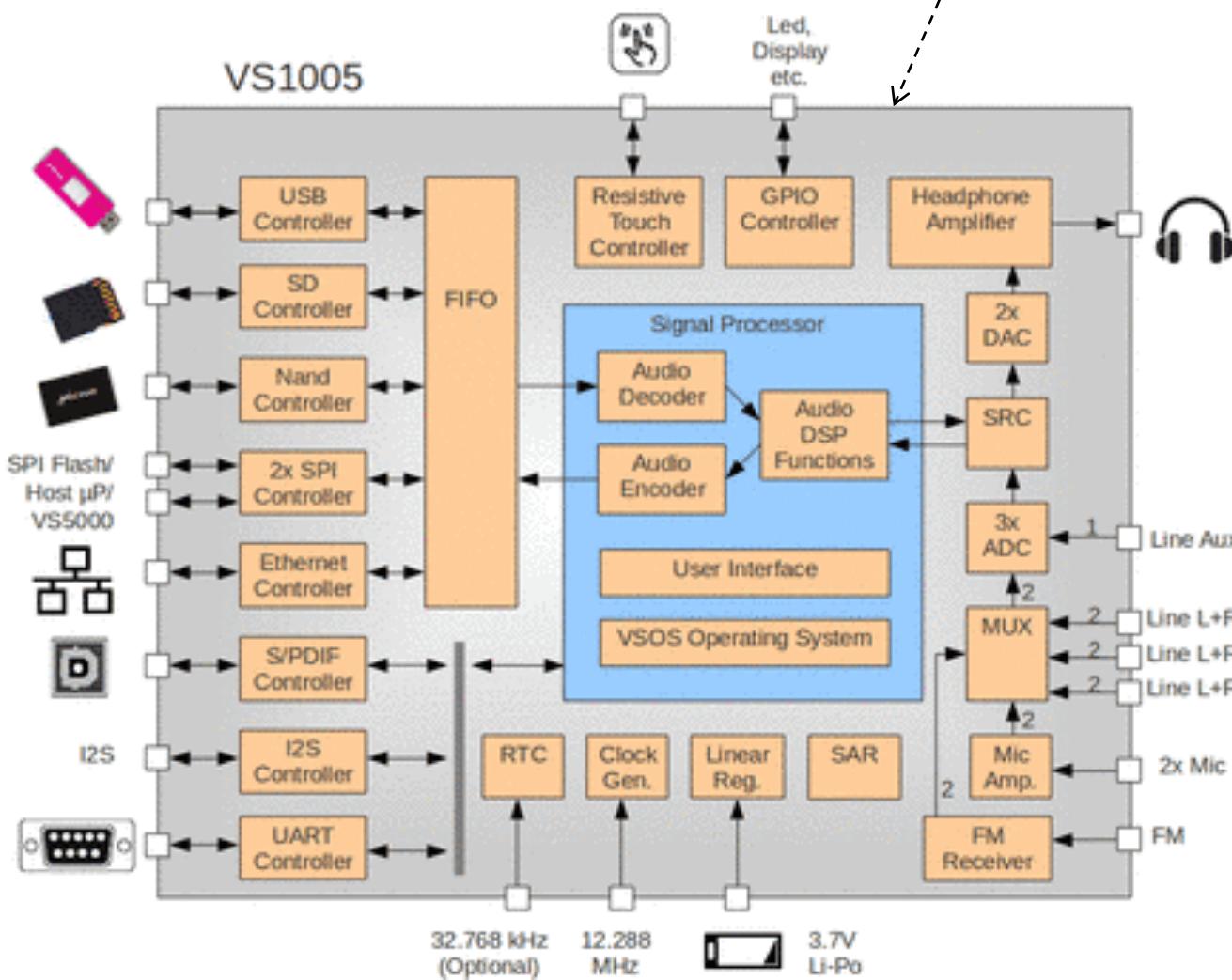
- System Characteristics
- Bus-Oriented Organization



Real-Time Systems

- System Characteristics
- System-On-Chip

CPU, memory (including cache), MMU, peripheral ports, USB ports contained in single Integrated Circuit.



Real-Time Systems

or embedded system
↓

- Features of Real-Time Kernels
- Most real-time systems do not provide the features found in a standard desktop system.
 - Peripheral Devices: Displays, CD Drives, DVD Drives.
 - Windows XP 40+ Million Lines of Source Code.
 - Linux 15+ Million Lines of Source Code.
- Reasons include:
 - Real-time systems are typically single-purpose.
 - Real-time systems often do not interface with a user.
 - Features found in a desktop PC require fast processors and large memory, more substantial hardware than available in a Real-Time system.
 - Cost important factor for Real-Time System.

Qn: hard Realtime scheduling?
Ans: Anti lock Brake System,
(if it does not work it kills you.)

Protection & security.
Multiple users.

Real-Time Systems

always use relocatable mem , so needs a
loader

- Features of Real-Time Kernels
- Address Translation used in Real-Time Systems

- MMU for Virtual Memory:

- Increases cost and power consumption.
 - Translation time, Logical to Physical Address (TLB miss) prohibitive.
 - Memory protection between processes.
 - NVRAM (Flash Memory) provides Demand Paging and Swapping.

- Real-Addressing Mode: Logical Address = Physical Address.

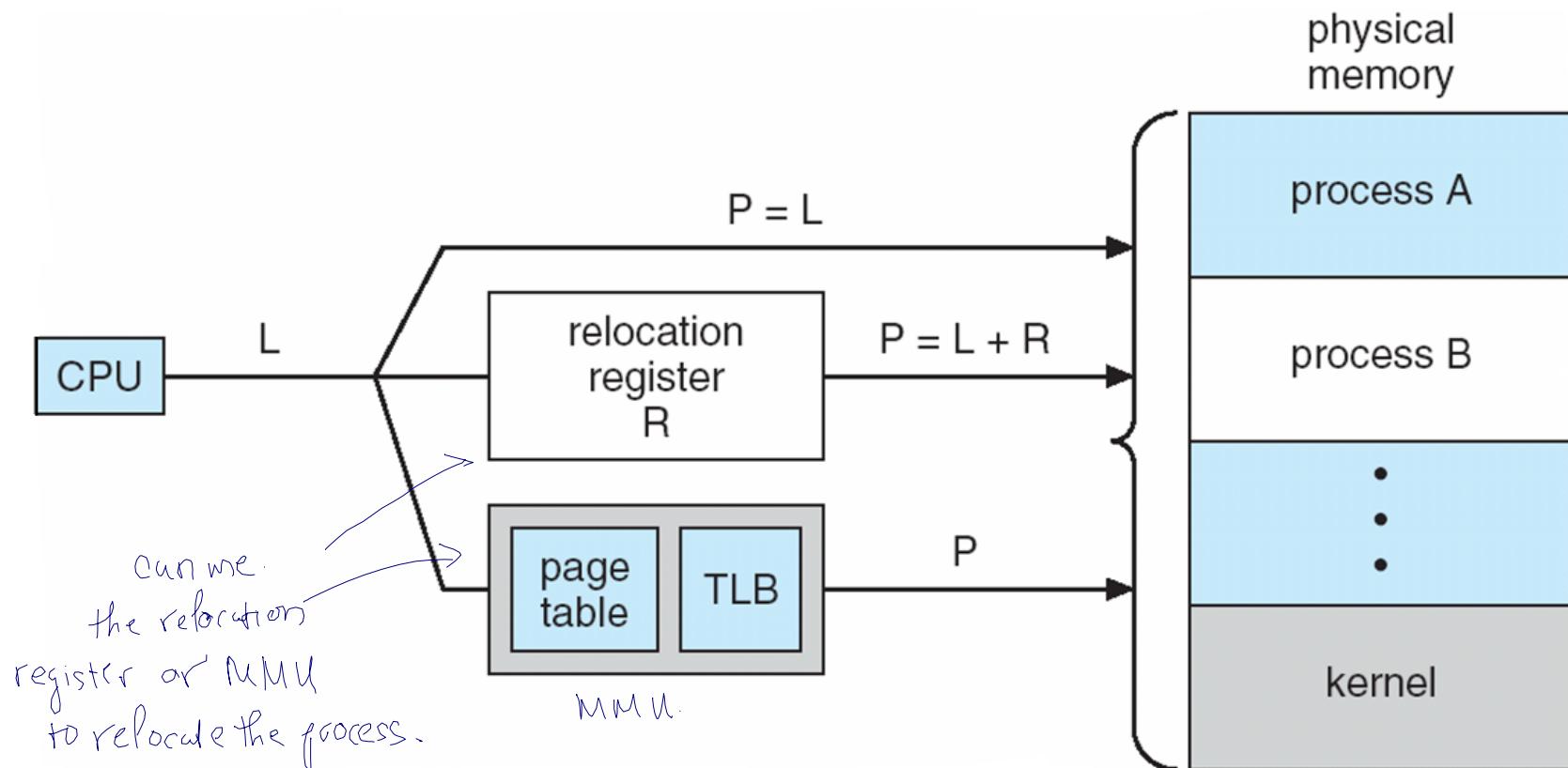
- No memory protection between processes.
 - Physical location where programs are loaded pre-defined.
 - MMU disabled. *← can be turned off*
 - Common in Real-Time System with Hard Real-Time constraints.

- Relocation Register set to memory location of process.

- MMU set to Physical = Logical + Relocation Register.
 - No memory protection between processes.

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Qn: Why Virtual Mem is not good
for hard Real-time
System?

■ Implementing Real-Time Operating Systems

■ Real-Time Operating Systems must provide:

Preemptive, Priority-Based Scheduling. *(must)*

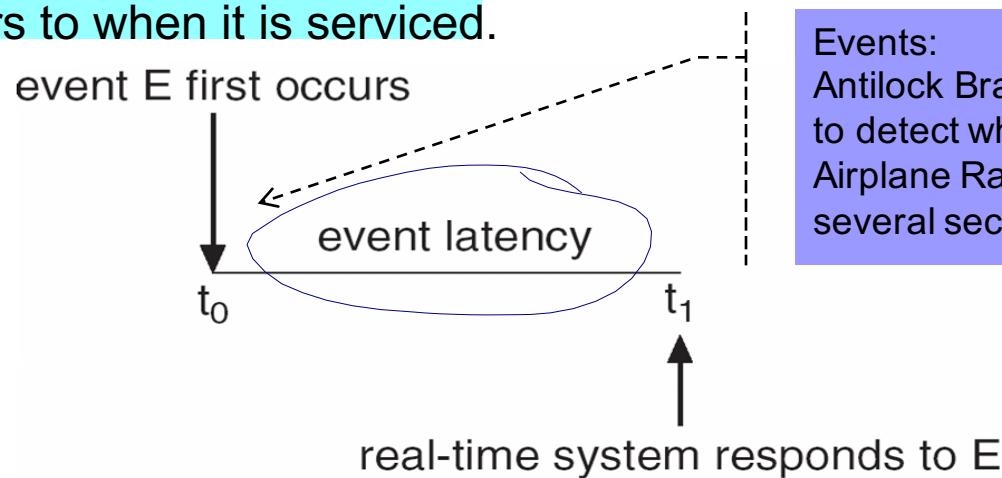
- Operating System must respond to Real-Time process as soon as the process requires CPU: Operating System **MUST** be preemptive and Real-Time Process assigned highest scheduling priority.
- Preemptive Soft Real-Time Systems: Solaris, Windows XP, Linux, guaranteed assign highest scheduling priority.
- Preemptive Hard Real-Time Systems: Guaranteed serviced within deadline requirements.

Preemptive Kernels: Preemption of task running in Kernel Mode.

- NOTE: Nonpreemptive Kernel allows Kernel Mode task to run until it exits, blocks or voluntarily yields control of the CPU: Commercial Desktop Operating System (Windows XP) nonpreemptive.
- Preemption points in long-duration System Calls: Placed in “safe” locations in Kernel (Kernel data structure not being modified).
- **Synchronization of Priority: Priority Inversion.**

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- Implementing Real-Time Operating Systems
- Real-Time Operating System Event Driven
 - Waiting for event: Either software (timer expires) or hardware (sensor detects condition requiring immediate action).
- Real-Time Operating Systems must provide:
 - Latency must be minimized.
 - Event Latency: Amount of time that elapses from when an event occurs to when it is serviced.



Events:

Antilock Brakes: 3-5 Millisecond to detect wheel is sliding.

Airplane Radar System: Period of several seconds.

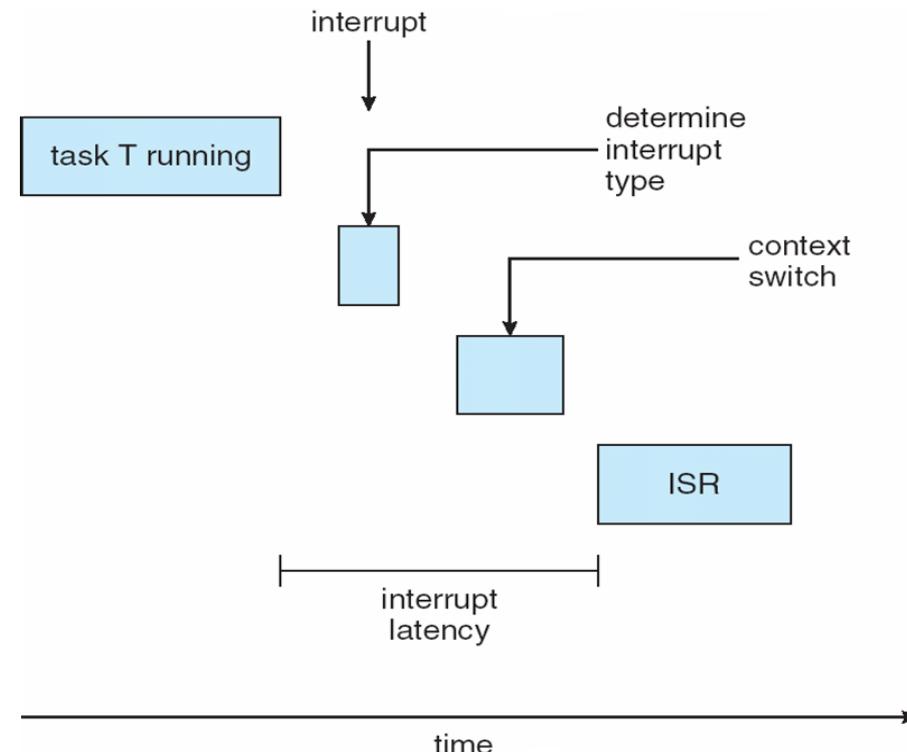
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- Implementing Real-Time Operating Systems
- Real-Time Operating Systems must provide:
 - Latency must be minimized (Cont)
 - Two types of latencies affecting Real-Time System performance.
 - Interrupt Latency
 - Period of time from the arrival of an interrupt at the CPU, save state of the current process, to start of the Interrupt Service Routine (ISR) that services the interrupt.
 - Between arrival of an interrupt and the start of the Interrupt Service Routine: Dispatch Latency.
 - Real-Time Operating Systems MUST minimize Interrupt Latency to ensure Real-Time Task receives attention.
 - Amount of time interrupts are disabled while Kernel data structures are being updated, MUST be short.
 - Hard Real Time Systems: Interrupt Latency MUST be bounded to guarantee deterministic behavior.

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- **Interrupt Latency**



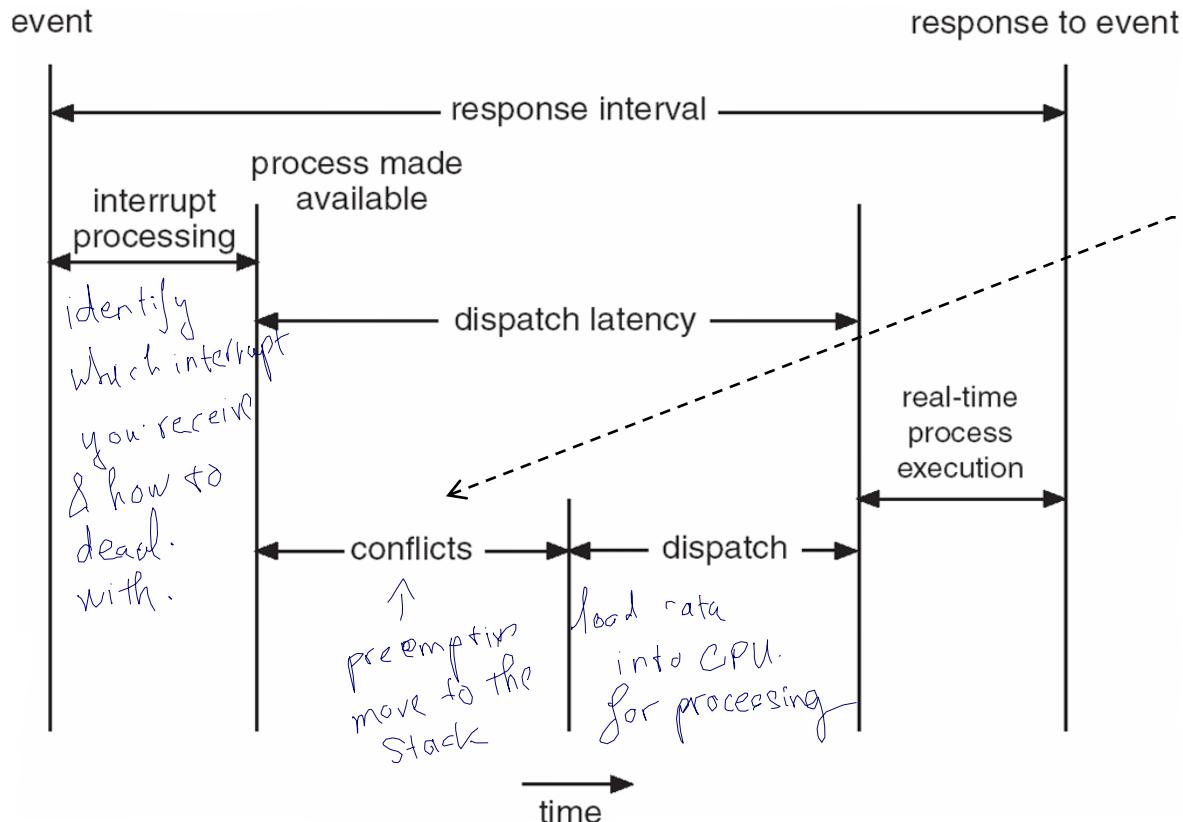
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- Implementing Real-Time Operating Systems
- Real-Time Operating Systems must provide:
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 - Two types of latencies affecting Real-Time System performance.
 - **Dispatch Latency**: Amount of time required for the Scheduling Dispatcher to stop one process and start another .
time to put current process to sleep
 - Minimized by Real-Time Operating System: Preemptive Kernel help keep Dispatch Latency low.
 - **Conflict Phase** of Dispatch Latency:
 - Preemption of any process running in the Kernel.
 - Release by low-priority processes of resources needed

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Qn: Real-time System : Which is not related to Interrupt Latency?

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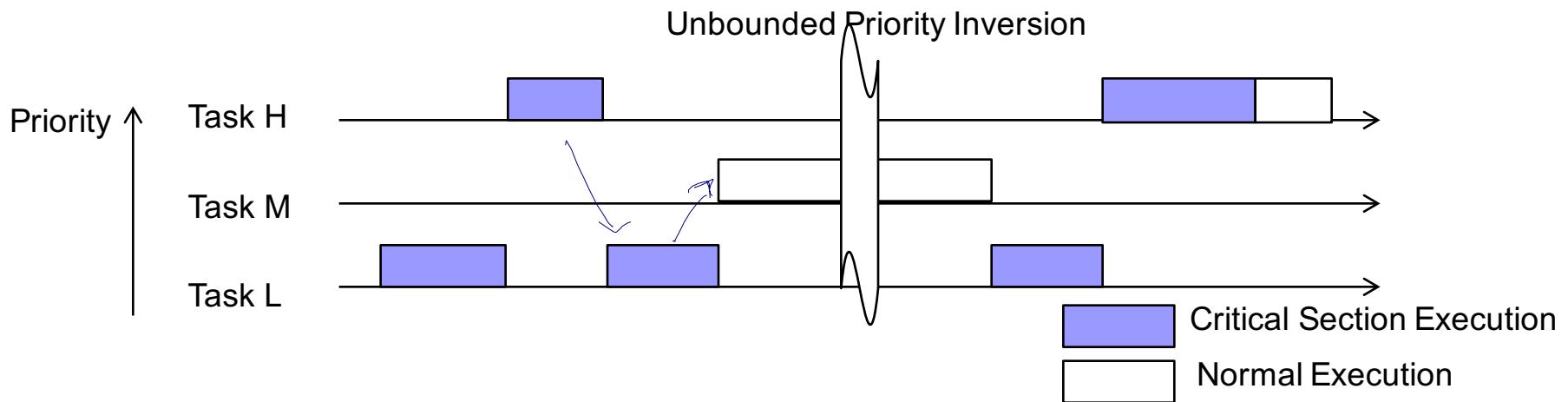


Dispatch Latency:
In Conflict Phase are two components:

- 1) Preemption of any process running in the Kernel.
- 2) Release low-priority processes of resources needed by high-priority process.

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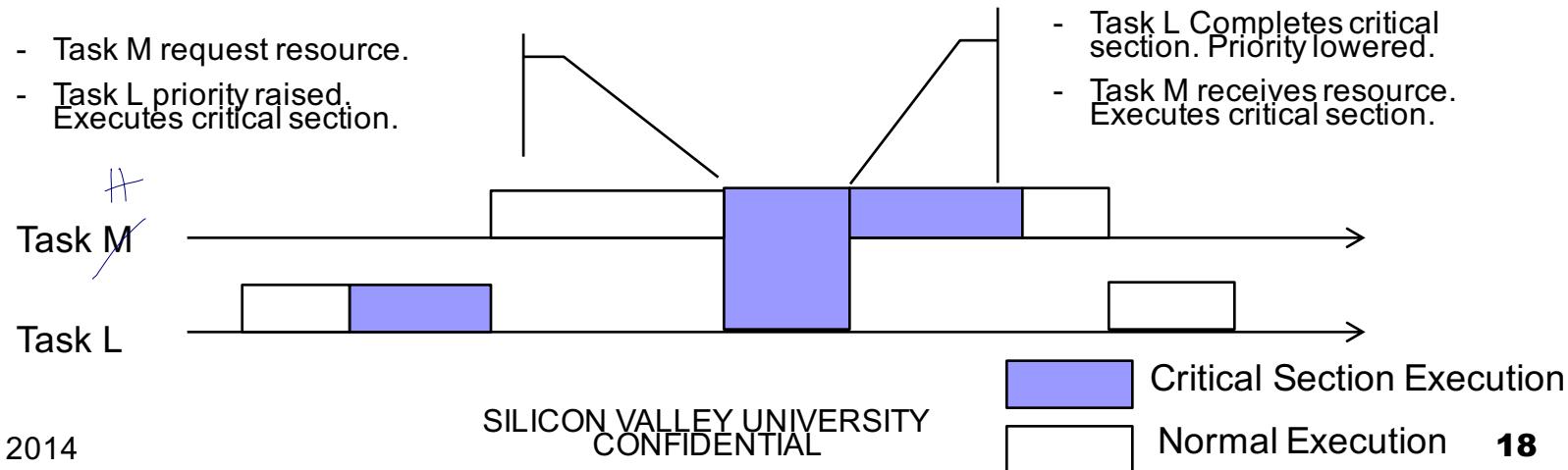
- Implementing Real-Time Operating Systems
 - Real-Time Operating Systems must provide:
 - Latency must be minimized (Cont)
 - Priority Inversion: Resolve Dispatch Latency issue caused by high-priority process waiting for Kernel data currently owned by lower-priority processes.
- has to deal with Priority*



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■ Priority Inheritance:

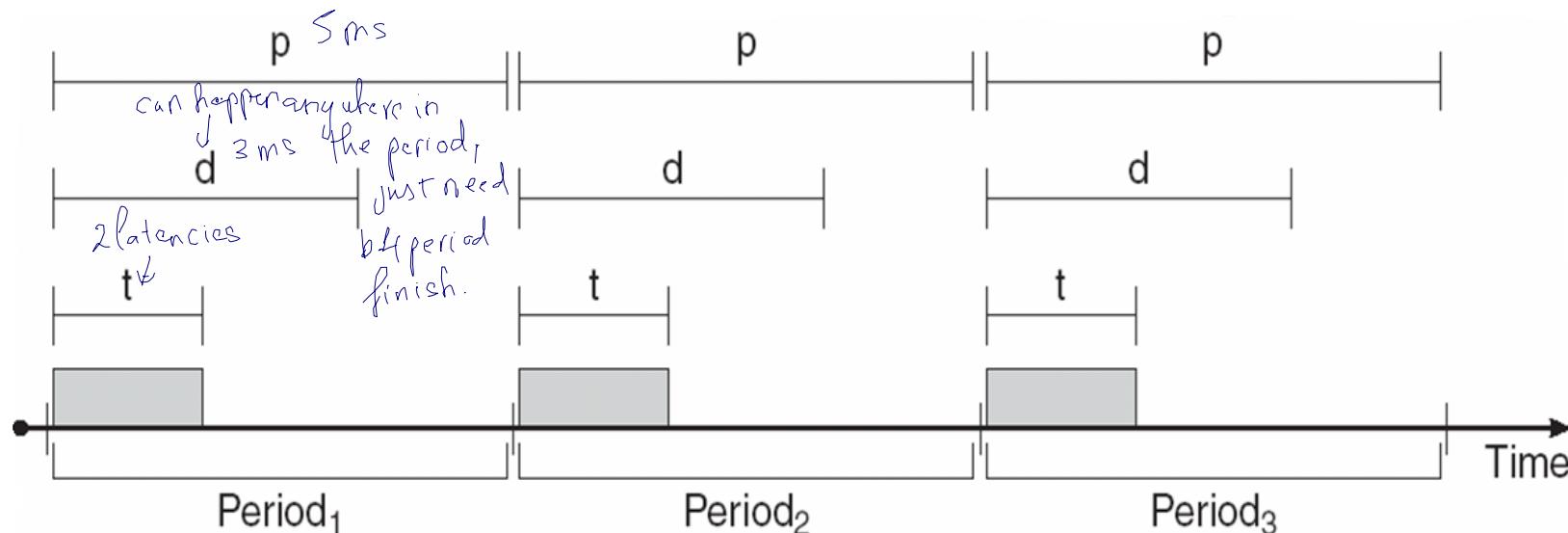
- Low-priority task has priority raised until completes critical section (releases shared resource).
- Nested resource locks can lead to deadlock.
 - Avoid deadlock by allowing each task to own one shared resource.
 - Do not allow nested locks.
 - Overhead raising priority and then lowering priority.



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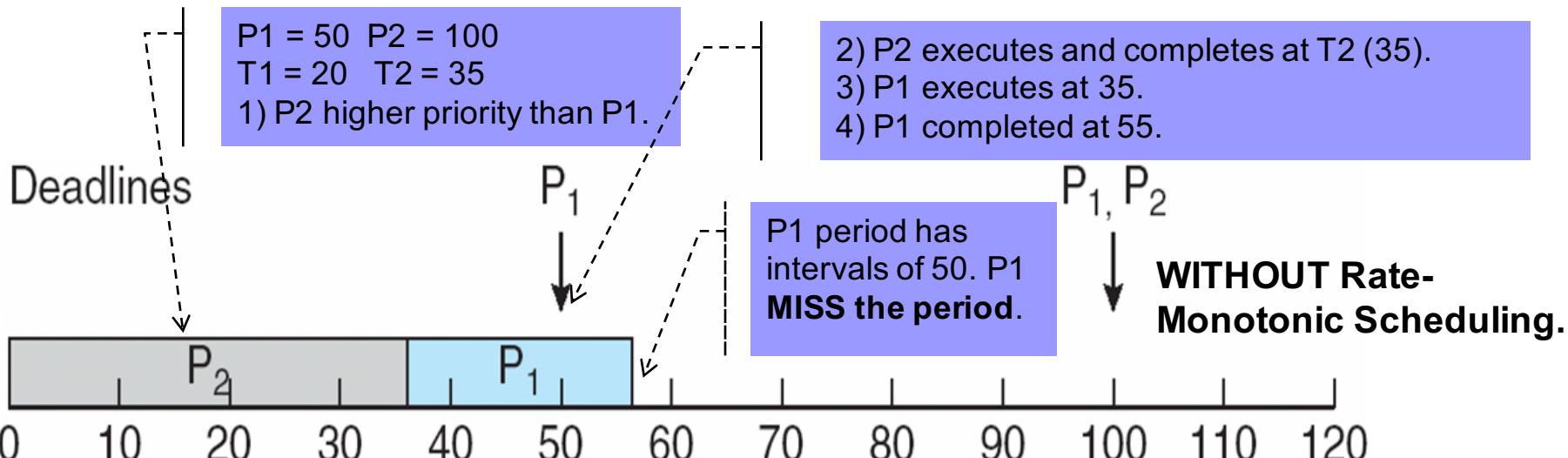
- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
- Scheduling for Hard Real-Time Systems.

- **Periodic Processes** require the CPU at specified intervals (periods).
- p is the duration of the period.
- d is the deadline by when the process must be serviced.
- t is the fixed processing time once CPU is acquired.
- Priority can be assigned based on deadline or rate requirements.



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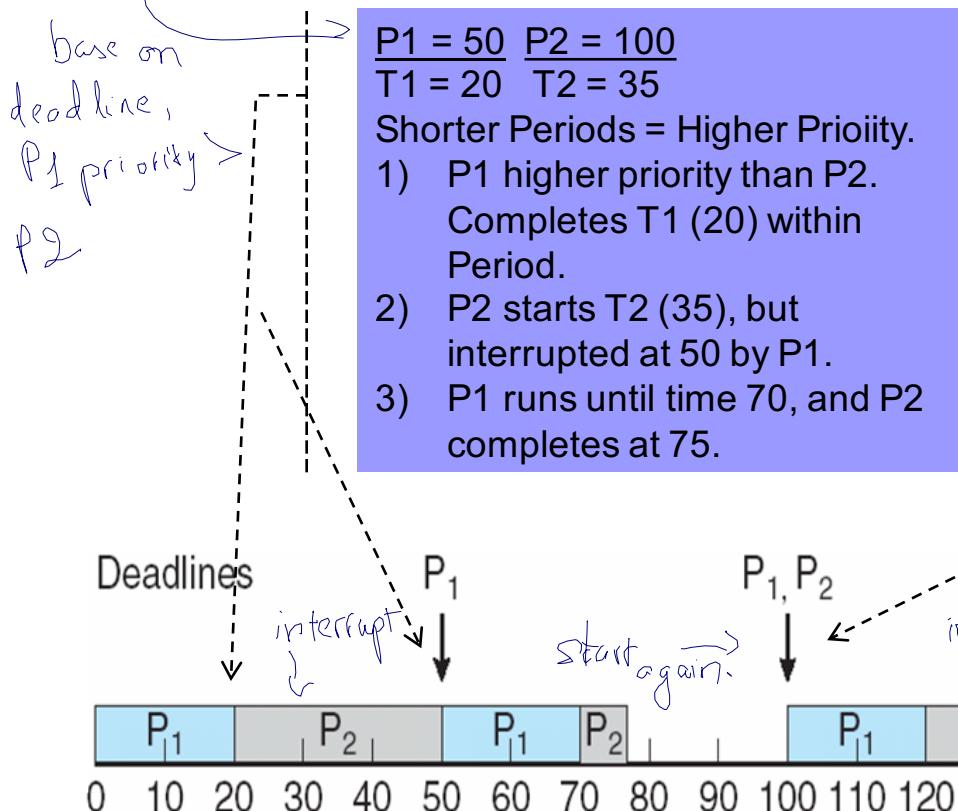
- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
 - Admission Control will use deadline requirements to admit or reject a process, on guarantee that the process will complete on-time.
 - Rate-Monotonic Scheduling ~~Admission Control~~ ^{fixed Priority}.
- Periodic Tasks using **Static Priority Policy with Preemption**.
 - Priority inversely based on its period: Shorter the period, higher priority.
 - Assign higher priority ^{CPU to} task that uses CPU quickly (short period).
 - Processing time of periodic period is same for each CPU Burst.



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- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
- Rate-Monotonic Scheduling

□ CPU Utilization: $T_1/P_1 (20/50=.40) + T_2/P_2 (35/100=.35) = .75 (75\%)$



With Rate-Monotonic Scheduling.

P₁ Period has intervals of 50. P₁ completes within Period.
P₂ Period has intervals of 100. P₂ completes within Period.

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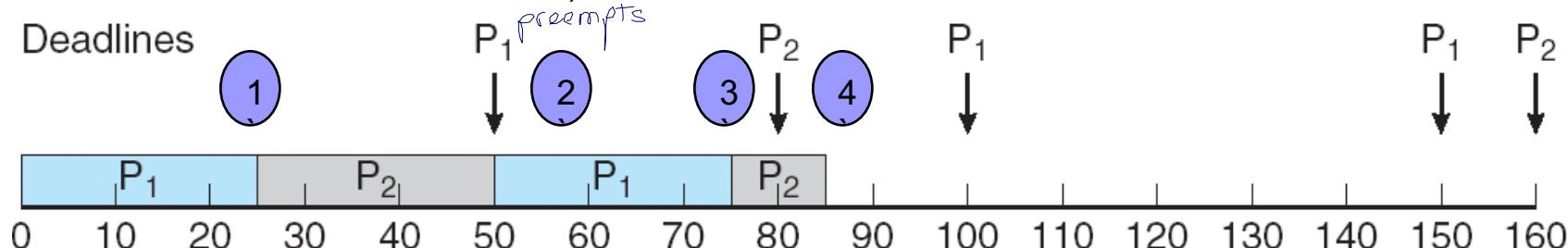
- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
- Rate-Monotonic Scheduling
- Limitation: CPU Utilization is Bounded.

- Two processes, Bound = 83%. Bound is 69% when processes approach infinity, deadline time to processes
- CPU Utilization = $T_1/P_1 (25/50=.50) + T_2/P_2 (35/80=.44) = .94 (94\%)$

With Rate-Monotonic Scheduling.

$$\begin{array}{l} P_1 = 50 \quad P_2 = 80 \\ T_1 = 25 \quad T_2 = 35 \end{array}$$

- 1) T1 CPU Burst completes at 25.
- 2) T2 CPU Burst (25) preempted at 50 by P1. T2 has 10 left.
- 3) T1 CPU Burst completes at 25.
- 4) T2 CPU Burst (10) completes at 85.
- 5) **P2 MISSED Period at 80.**



Qn: which statement is FALSE with Rate Monotonic?

Ans:

If CPU is more than Bound, can not use. Rate Monotonic technique.

can meet the deadline.

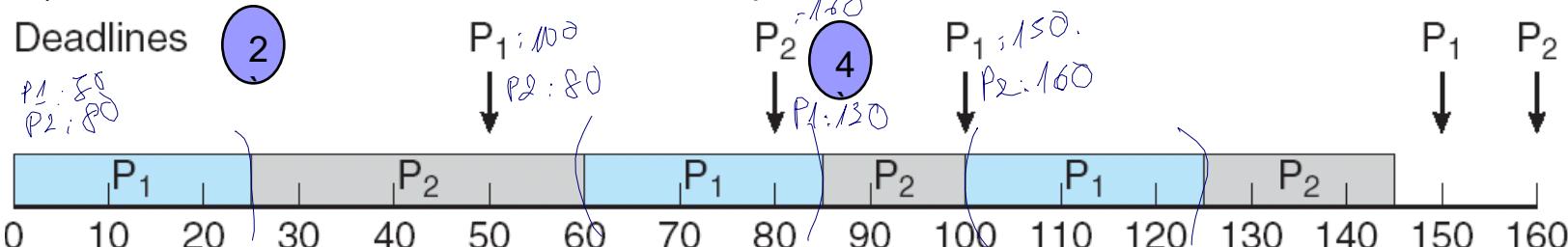
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- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
- Earliest-Deadline-First Scheduling Admission Control
- Priorities are assigned according to deadlines: Earlier the deadline, the higher the priority, later the deadline, the lower the priority.
- Process ready to be scheduled:
 - Deadline requirements announced to the system.
 - **Priorities adjusted** to reflect Deadline of schedulable process.

$P_1 = 50$ $P_2 = 80$

$T_1 = 25$ $T_2 = 35$

- 1) At 0, P_1 is the earliest deadline, CPU Burst $T_1 = 25$.
- 2) At 25, T_2 CPU Burst = 35. P_2 (Deadline = 80) has higher priority than P_1 (Deadline = 100)
- 3) At 60, T_1 CPU Burst = 25.
- 4) At 85, T_2 CPU Burst = 15, preempted by P_1 (Deadline=150) over P_2 (Deadline=160)
- 5) At 100, T_1 CPU Burst = 25, At 125, T_2 completes CPU Burst = 20.



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- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
- Proportional Share Scheduling
- Total CPU time, T shares, are allocated among all processes in the system.
*if deadline short → more shares (tickets)
large → less*
- An application receives N shares where $N < T$.
- This ensures each application will receive N / T of the total processor time.
- Works in conjunction with Admission Control Policy: Only admit a Client requesting equal or less than number of shares that are available.
 - Process does not get scheduled, if Admission Control denies entry.
70 % of the time the tickets go to the shorter Deadline (base on Stats).

Real-Time Systems

Qn: Which one is NOT the param for Real time scheduling?

Ans: sched_normal ← not used.

- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
- Pthread Scheduling
- The Pthread API provides functions for managing Real-Time threads.
Reason is realtime system likes to hold on to the CPU to process the event until complete, e.g. ABS system
- Pthreads defines two scheduling classes for Real-Time Threads:

- SCHED_FIFO - Threads are scheduled using a FCFS strategy with a FIFO queue. There is no time-slicing for threads of equal priority.
most real time uses FIFO
 - SCHED_RR - Similar to SCHED_FIFO except time-slicing occurs for threads of equal priority.
will interrupt the process for sharing → best for multimedia system.

Pthread API:

- pthread_attr_getsched_policy(pthread_attr_t *attr, int *policy)
 - pthread_attr_setsched_policy(pthread_attr_t *attr, int *policy)
 - Param attr: Pointer to set of attributes for the thread.
 - Param policy: Pointer to integer value SCHED_FIFO, SCHED_RR, SCHED_OTHER.

Real-Time Systems

- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
- VxWorks 5.x *↪ embedded system that is commercial available, stable*
- Supports Hard Real-Time Operating System.
- WindRiver Systems: VxWorks and Windriver Linux.
 - Acquired by Intel Corporation.
 - Automobiles, Consumer and Industrial Devices, Networking Equipment (Switches and Routers), Space Equipment (Mars terrain rovers).
- VxWorks centered on the Wind microkernel.
 - Supports processes and threads using Pthread API.
 - Supports two scheduling models: Preemptive Scheduling and Nonpreemptive Round-Robin scheduling with 256 priority levels.
 - Hard Real-Time supports bounded interrupt and dispatch latency times for interrupts.
 - Interprocess Communication using shared memory and message passing. Tasks can communicate using Pipes (FIFO queue).
 - Supports semaphores and mutex locks with Priority Inheritance .

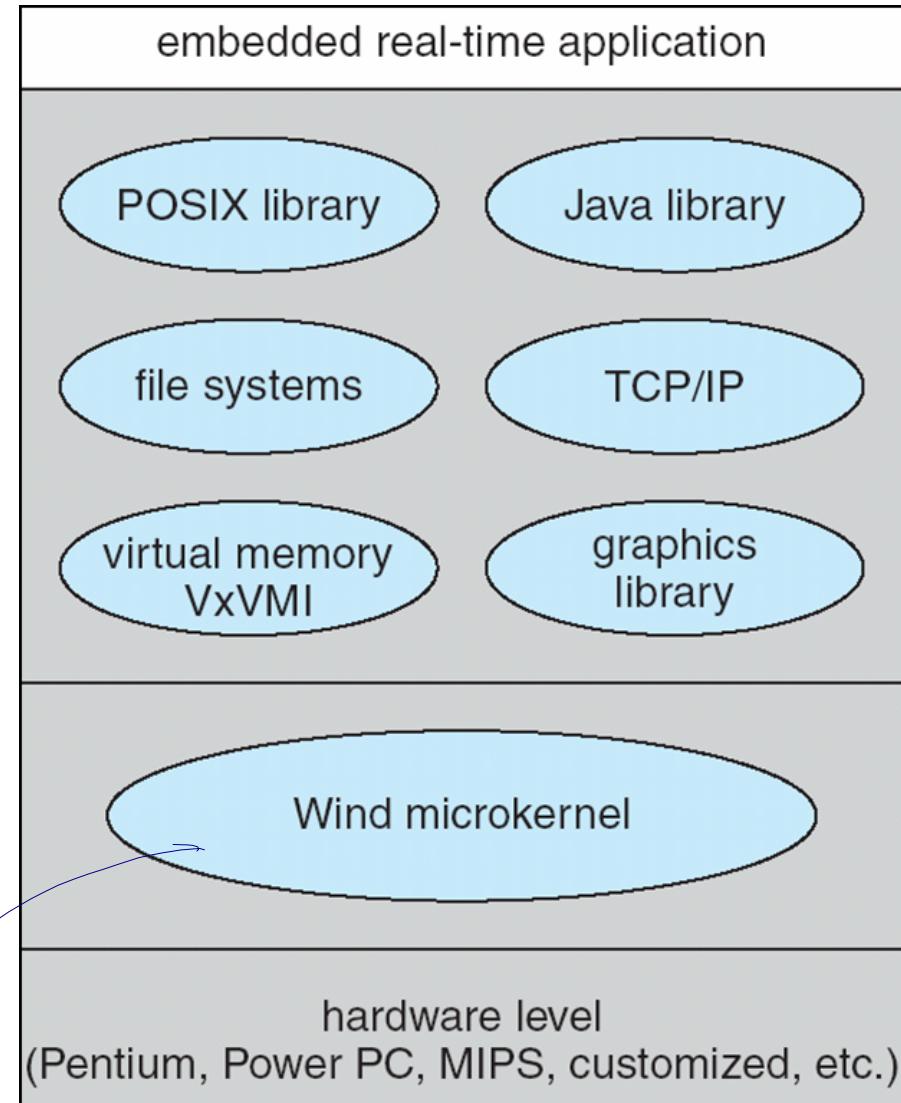
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- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
- VxWorks 5.x (Cont)
- Component Libraries: POSIX, Java, TCP/IP Networking.
- All components optional, Embedded System can be customized to the customer requirements.
- Two levels of Virtual Memory:
 - Allows control of the cache on a per-page basis: Cache-coherency Policy used to ensure caches of shared data are not different.
 - Virtual Memory component (VxVMI) and MMU: Allows task to mark data areas as “private”. Kernel code pages and Interrupt Vector can be marked as “Read-Only”.
Linux differentiates User / Kernel.
- VxWorks 5 does not distinguish between User and Kernel mode:
Applications run in Kernel mode and is able to address all address space.
 - VxVMI used to prevent user applications from writing Kernel space.
- VxWorks 6 supports Kernel Mode and User Mode: VxWorks Real-Time Processes run in User Mode and Kernel runs in Kernel Mode.

Real-Time Systems

- Real-Time CPU Scheduling
- VxWorks 5.x (Cont)
- Wind microKernel has bare minimum of features.
- Add more features (networking, file systems, memory management etc. specialized libraries are included).
- By this approach the system will only have the features that are actually needed and the footprint will be as small as possible.

*events are
handled in kernel.*



Real-Time Systems

- Summary
- Real-Time System require results to arrive within deadline period.
- Embedded specialized (single function) Real-Time Systems in consumer and industrial devices.
- Soft Real-Time Systems (higher priority than user processes) and Hard Real-Time Systems (guaranteed deadline periods).
- Scheduler supporting Real-Time Systems:
 - Priority-based algorithm with preemption.
 - Kernel can be preempted.
- Minimize Interrupt and Dispatch Latency.
- Real-Time Scheduling Algorithms:
 - Rate-monotonic scheduling assigns higher priority to processes requiring the CPU more often.
 - Earliest-Deadline-First scheduling assigns priority using deadlines.
 - Proportional Share Scheduling divides up processor time into shares.
 - Pthread API provides library interface to schedule Real-Time threads.

Multimedia Systems

- Operating System Data: Text Files, Programs, Binaries, Word-Processing Documents, Spreadsheets.
- What is Multimedia?
 - Continuous-media (audio and video) data.
- Multimedia data includes
 - MP3 Audio, MPEG Streaming Video, and Video Clips
 - Live Webcasts of Speeches or Sporting Events
 - Multimedia applications includes separate audio and video tracks.
- Multimedia data may be delivered to:
 - Desktop PC's.
 - Small Devices: Handheld devices (PDAs, smart phones).
- Common standards used for representing multimedia video and audio files.

Multimedia Systems

- Media Delivery
- Multimedia data is stored in the file system like other ordinary data.
- However, multimedia data must be accessed with specific timing requirements.
- For example, video must be displayed at 24-30 **frames** per second. Multimedia video data must be delivered at a rate which guarantees 24-30 frames/second.
- Video file must be accessed from the File System at a rate consistent with the rate at which the video is being displayed.
 - **Continuous-media data** is data with specific rate requirements.

Multimedia Systems

- Media Delivery
- Local Playback: Data delivered from local File System.
 - DVD on laptop. MP3 Audio File on handheld MP3 Player.
- **Streaming** is delivering a multimedia file from a server to a client - the delivery occurs over a network connection.
 - Personnel computer, PDA, Cell Phone.
- There are two different types of streaming:
 - **Progressive download** - The client begins playback of the multimedia file as it is delivered (HTTP Web Server). The file is stored on the client computer (YouTube, ESPN and CNN).
 - **Real-time streaming** - The multimedia file is delivered by Streaming Server to, but not stored on, the client's computer.
 - Real-time Streaming preferable: Media files too large to store, more secure, long videos, Internet Radio, TV Broadcasts.

Multimedia Systems

- Media Delivery
- Random Access Feature: Progressive Download or Real-Time Streaming.
 - Ability to move around within the Media Stream (position within the file).
- Real-Time Streaming:
 - Live Streaming: Deliver an event, concert or lecture, live as it is actually occurring.
 - Radio program broadcast, Live webcams, Video Conferencing.
 - Live Delivery does NOT allow Random Access Feature (no late viewing of earlier points in the media stream).
 - On-Demand Streaming: Does not take place as the event is occurring.
 - Full-length movies and archive lectures.
 - No notion of arriving late.
 - Client may or may not have Random Access to the stream.
 - Streaming Media Products: RealPlayer, Apple QuickTime, Windows Media Player.

Multimedia Systems

- Characteristics of Multimedia Systems
- Multimedia files can be quite large.
 - 100 Minutes MPEG-1 Video File = 1.125 GBytes of storage.
 - 100 Minutes HDTV = 15 GBytes of storage.
 - Streaming Server with Digital Video Library require several TeraBytes of storage.
- Continuous media data may require very high data rates.
 - Digital frame of color video at resolution of 800 X 600 Pixels. Using 24 bits to represent color of each pixel, single frame needs $800 \times 600 \times 24 = 11.520$ Mbits of data. Frames displayed at 30 frames per second: Bandwidth in excess of 345 Mbps is required.
- Multimedia applications may be sensitive to timing delays during playback of the media.
 - Start delivery of continuous-media file during playback, delivery must continue at the rate, otherwise the video will be subject to pauses or stalls.

Multimedia Systems

- Operating System Issues
- Deliver of Continuous-media data, Operating System must guarantee specific rate and timing requirements.
- Quality of Service (QOS) Requirements:
 - Influences CPU Scheduling, Disk Scheduling, and Network Management.
 - Compression and Decoding require CPU processing.
 - Multimedia task must be scheduled with enough priorities to ensure deadline requirements of continuous-media data are meet.
 - File system must meet the rate requirements of continuous-media data.
 - Network Protocols must support bandwidth requirements: Minimize Delay and Jitter.

Multimedia Systems

- Compression
- The size and rate requirements of multimedia systems, require compressing multimedia files into a smaller form.
 - Useful for streaming across Network.
 - Compression Ratio: Ratio of orig file size to compressed file.
- Files compressed (Encoded) as lossy or lossless:
 - Lossy: Some of the original data are lost when file is decoded.
 - Images (pictures), audio, and video can tolerate “lost” data.
 - Eliminate very high or low frequencies undetectable by human ear.
 - **Video lossy compression stores ONLY differences between frames.**
 - Lossless: Ensures the compressed file can be restored (Decoded) to its original form.
 - Text file, computer programs (Zipped files).

Multimedia Systems

- Compression
- Lossy Compression Schemes: MPEG Compression
(Moving Picture Experts Group) for continuous-media:
 - MPEG is a set of file formats and compression standards for Digital Video.
 - Layers 3 and 2 apply to audio and video portion of media file.
 - Layer 1 (Systems Layer) has timing information for MPEG player to multiplex and synchronize audio and video during playback.
 - MPEG-1: Digital video and audio stream. Resolution is 352 X 240 @ 30 frames/second. Rate of 1.5Mbps.
 - Quality of VCR videos.
 - MP3 Audio is MPEG-1 Layer 3 (audio portion).
 - Compression Ratio of 200:1.
 - Download short video clips over Internet.

Multimedia Systems

- Compression
- Lossy Compression Schemes: MPEG Compression
(Moving Picture Experts Group) for continuous-media:
 - MPEG-2: Used for compressing DVD and high-definition television (HDTV).
 - Levels and Profiles of video compression.
 - Level: Resolution of the video.
 - Profile: Characterize video quality.
 - Higher Level/Profile, higher required data rate (1.5 Mbps to 15 Mbps).
 - High data rate makes MPEG-2 more suitable for local playback.
 - MPEG-3: Discontinued, and never released. Sometime confused with MP3 (MPEG-1 Audio Layer 3).

Multimedia Systems

- Compression
- Lossy Compression Schemes: MPEG Compression
(Moving Picture Experts Group) for continuous-media:
 - **MPEG-4** - Used to transmit audio, video, and graphics, including 2-D and 3-D animation layers. Allows end users to interact with the file during playback.
 - Virtual tour of home, moving room to room.
 - Scalable level of quality, allowing delivery over slow network connections (56Kbps modems) or high-speed networks.
 - MPEG-4 audio and video delivered over wireless devices (Handheld computers, PDAs, Cell Phones).

Multimedia Systems

■ Requirements of Multimedia Kernels

- Differ from requirements of traditional applications (Word Processor, compilers, spreadsheets).
- The operating system must guarantee the specific data rate and timing requirements of continuous media.
 - Audio and Video data playback demands deliver within certain deadline and continuous fixed rate.
- Periodic Processes: Processes that request data at constant intervals or periods.
 - Frame unable to be displayed at deadline are omitted.
 - At 30 Frames/second = $1/30^{\text{th}} = 3.34$ hundredths of a second.
- Rate requirements and deadlines are known as **Quality-of-Service (QoS)** guarantees.

Multimedia Systems

- Requirements of Multimedia Kernels
- Quality of Service (QOS) Levels:
 - Best-Effort Service: System makes a Best-Effort attempt to satisfy the requirements, NO Guarantees are made.
 - Soft QOS: Treats different types of traffic in different ways, giving certain traffic streams higher priority than other streams. NO Guarantees are made.
 - Hard QOS: Quality-Of-Service requirements are Guaranteed.
- Traditional Operating Systems uses:
 - Best-Effort Service.
 - Over-provisioning: Assume the total amount of resources available is larger than a worst-case workload.
- Multimedia Systems cannot behave as traditional Operating Systems: the system MUST provide continuous-media applications with the guarantees of hard QOS.

Multimedia Systems

- Requirements of Multimedia Kernels
- Parameters Defining QOS for Multimedia Applications:
 - Throughput: Total amount of work during certain interval. Throughput is the required Data Rate.
 - Delay: Elapsed time from when a request is submitted to when the result is produced (Time when a Client requests a media stream to when the stream is delivered).
 - Jitter: Related to Delay (where Delay refers to the time a user must wait to receive a Stream, jitter refers to delays during playback.
 - Unacceptable for continuous-media application.
 - Acceptable for on-demand Real-Time streaming.
 - Jitter compensated by buffering data (5 seconds) before playback.
 - Reliability: How errors are handled during transmission and processing of continuous media.
 - Errors occur due to lost packets or processing delays by CPU.

Multimedia Systems

- Requirements of Multimedia Kernels
- Parameters Defining QOS for Multimedia Applications: (Cont)

- **QOS Negotiation** between Client and Server:

- Client negotiates a **data rate** (Speed of the Client's connection to the network), agreeing to a certain level of quality.
 - Many Media Players allow Client to configure the Media Player according to the speed of the client's connection to the network.

- **QOS Guarantee provided by using Admission Control:**

- Admitting a request for service ONLY if the server has sufficient resources to satisfy the request.

Multimedia Systems

- Requirements of Multimedia Kernels
- Parameters Defining QOS for Multimedia Applications: (Cont)

- Admission Control with Semaphores:

- Semaphores as a method of implementing simple Admission-Control Policy.
 - Initialize Semaphore to the number of resources available.
 - After all resources are in use, wait() blocks until signal ().

- Admission Control with Resource Managers:

- Resource Reservation method:
 - Resource Manager for each type of resource (CPU, Memory, File System, Devices, Network).
 - Request for resource has QOS requirements : Required Data Rate.
 - QOS may be negotiated between Client and Server.

Multimedia Systems

- CPU Scheduling
- Soft Real-Time Systems give scheduling priority to critical processes.
 - No guarantee as to WHEN the critical process scheduled.
- Hard Real-Time Systems require critical process will be serviced within a guaranteed period of time.
 - Multimedia systems require hard Real-Time scheduling to ensure critical tasks will be serviced within timing deadlines.
 - Most hard realtime CPU scheduling algorithms assign Real-Time processes static priorities that do not change over time.
 - Dynamic priority for non-Real-Time processes, with the intent of giving higher priority to interactive processes.

Multimedia Systems

- Disk Scheduling
- Disk scheduling algorithms must be optimized for continuous media.
 - Timing deadlines and Rate requirements.
 - Disks have relatively low transfer rates and relatively high latency rates.
 - Reducing latency rates may result in Scheduling Policy that does NOT prioritize according to deadlines.
- Earliest-Deadline-First (EDF) Scheduling.
 - Queue to order requests according to the time each request must be completed (deadline).
 - Similar to Shortest-Seek-Time-First (SSTF), instead of servicing request closest to current cylinder, service request with the closest deadline first.
 - EDF could have higher seek times, since movement does not regard current position.

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- Disk Scheduling (Cont)
- SCAN-EDF Scheduling.

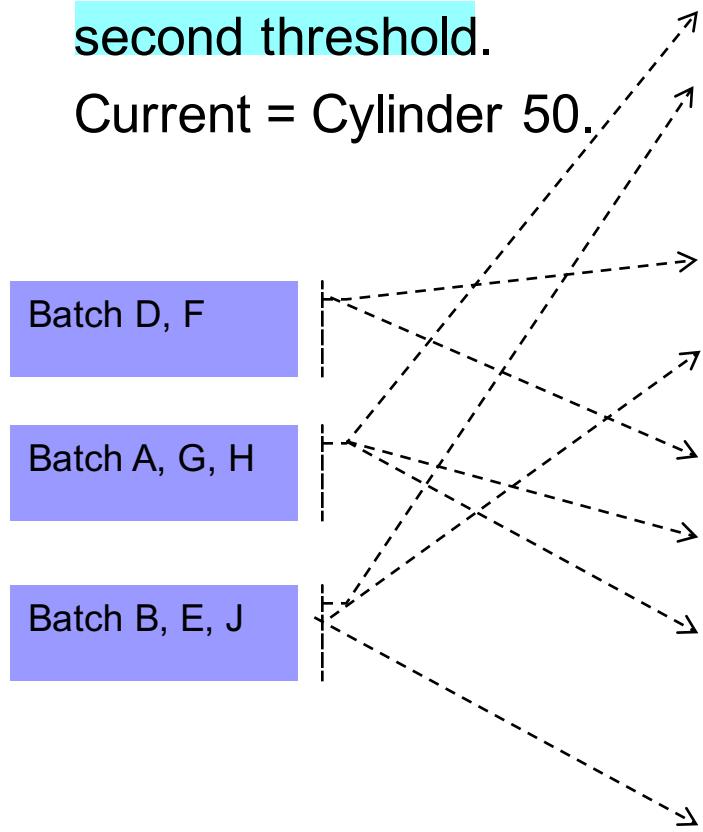
- SCAN-EDF scheduling is similar to EDF except that requests with the same or relatively close deadlines are batched together and ordered according to a SCAN policy.
- Batching Requests has many techniques:
 - Only requirement is reordering requests within batch must not prevent request from being serviced within its deadline.
 - Batch Requests according to relatively close deadline.
 - Batch Requests within a threshold (within 100MilliSeconds).

Multimedia Systems

- Disk Scheduling (Cont)
- SCAN-EDF Scheduling

- Batch within 100 Millisecond threshold.

Current = Cylinder 50.



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request	deadline	cylinder
A	150	25
B	201	112
C	399	95
D	94	31
E	295	185
F	78	85
G	165	150
H	125	101
I	300	85
J	210	90

Multimedia Systems

- Network Management
- Preserving rate requirements is foremost QOS issue.
- Techniques for CPU Scheduling and Disk Scheduling algorithms can serve QOS requirements.
- Streaming across Internet can affect QOS Demands.
 - Network encounters congestion, delays, and other network traffic issues beyond control of the originator of the data.
 - Multimedia data, timing requirements must be synchronized between server delivering content and client playing it back.
- RTP (Real-Time Transport Protocol)
 - Internet standard for delivering Real-Time data (audio/video).
 - Provides features that allow a receiver to remove jitter introduced by delays and congestion in the network.

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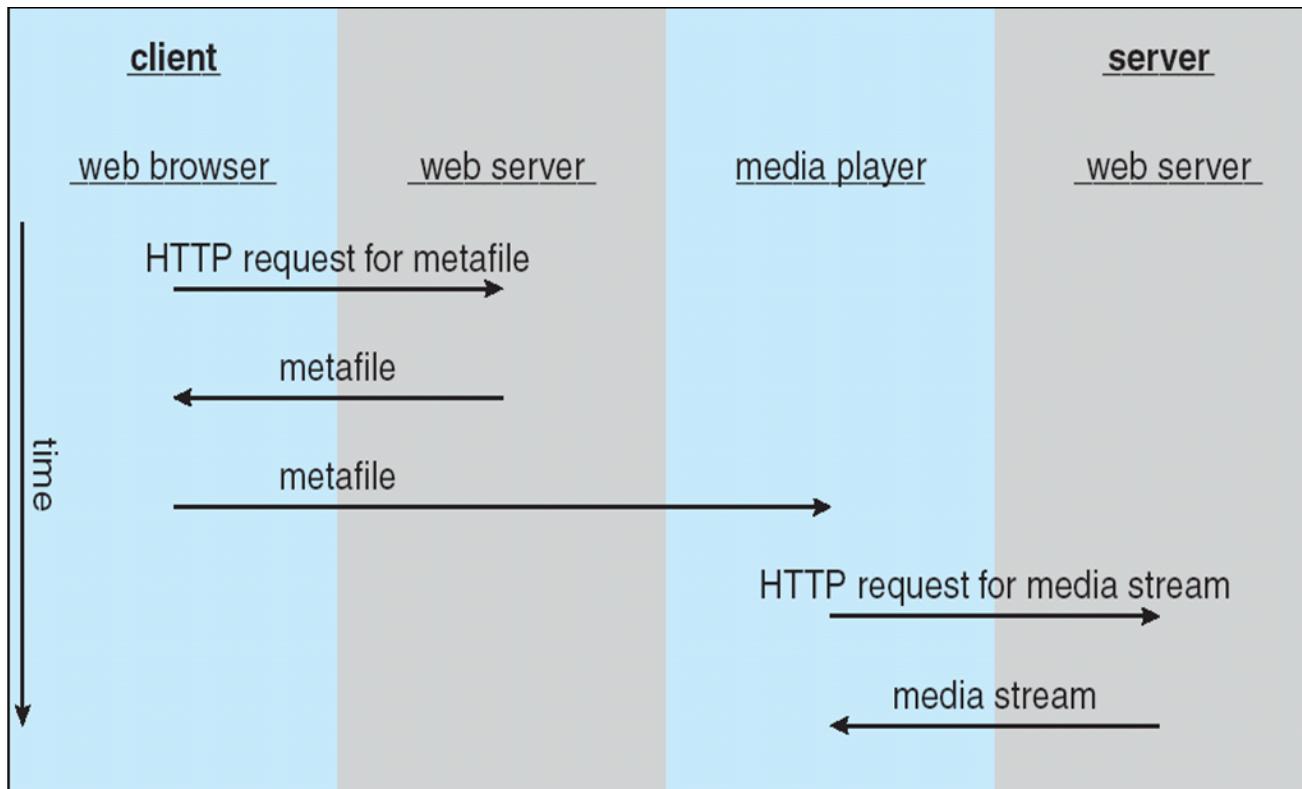
- Network Management
- Three general methods for delivering content from a server to a client across a network:
 - **Unicasting** - The server delivers the content to a single client.
Multiple clients requires separate unicast to each client.
 - Most streaming media delivered across unicast channels.
 - **Broadcasting** - The server delivers the content to all clients, regardless whether they want the content or not.
 - **Multicasting** - The server delivers the content to a group of receivers who indicate they wish to receive the content.
 - Clients should be physically close to the server or to intermediate routers supporting multicasting protocol (IGMP).

Multimedia Systems

- Network Management
- Deliver of Streaming Media
- Stream from Web Server using Hypertext Transport Protocol (HTTP)
 - Clients use Media Player (QuickTime, RealPlayer, Windows Media Player) to play back media from Web Server.
 - Client request Metafile:
 - Contains location (URL) of streaming media file.
 - Metafile received by Client Web Browser, starts the Media Player (Real Audio stream needs RealPlayer, streaming Windows media needs Windows Media Player).
 - Media Player contacts Web Server and Web Server delivers streaming media using standard HTTP.
 - **HTTP stateless protocol:** Web Server does not maintain state (status) of connection and the delivery of streaming media.

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- Network Management
- Deliver of Streaming Media (Cont)
 - Streaming Media from conventional Web Server:



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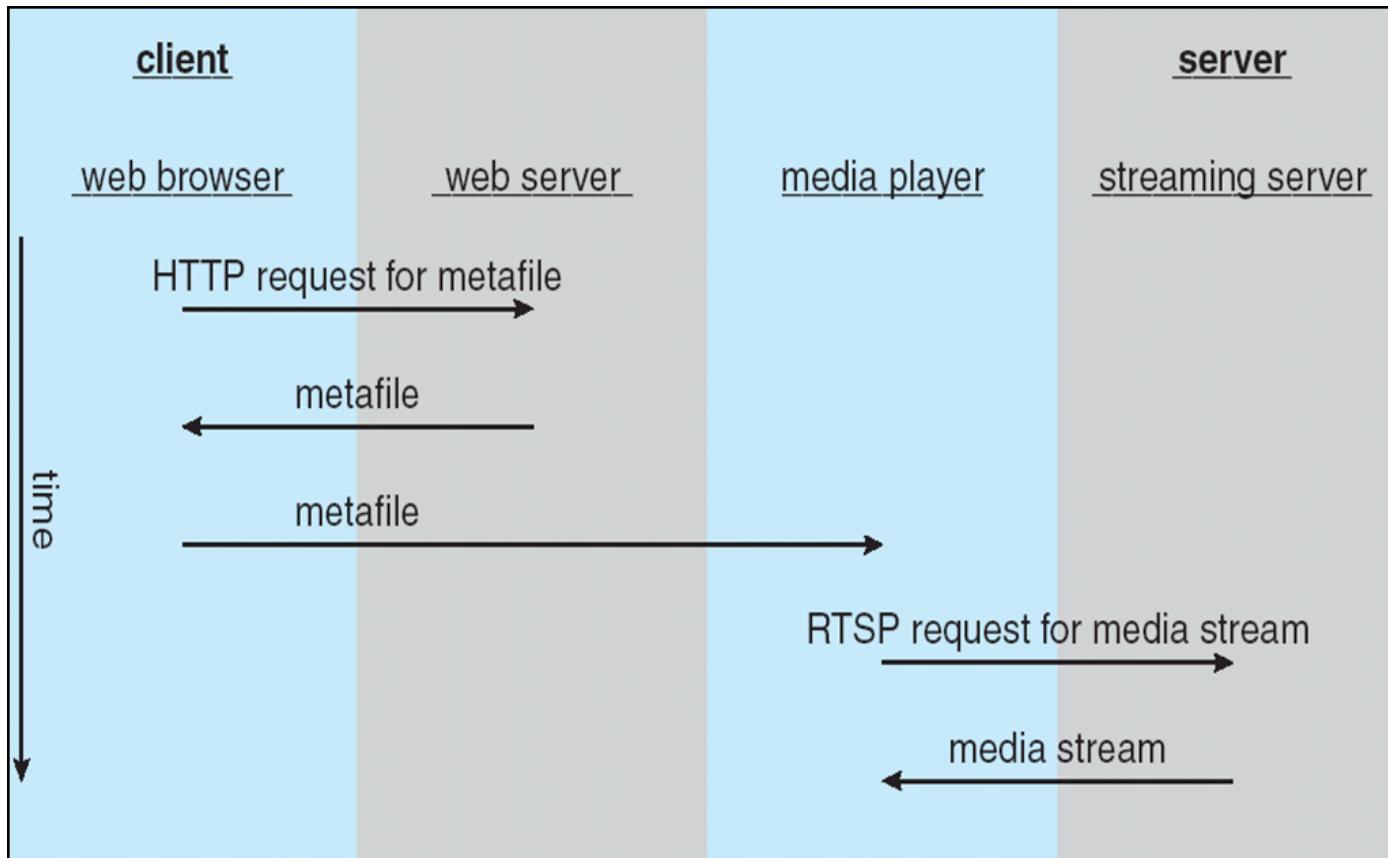
■ Network Management

■ Real-Time Streaming Protocol (RTSP)

- RTSP designed to communicate between streaming Servers and Media Players on the Client.
- Allows Client to Pause or Seek to random positions in the stream.
- Metafile between Server and Client delivered using HTTP.
- Streaming media delivered from a streaming Server using RTSP commands:
 - SETUP - The server allocates resources for a client session.
 - PLAY - T server delivers a stream to a client session.
 - PAUSE - The server suspends delivery of a stream.
 - TEARDOWN - The server breaks down the connection and releases the resources allocated for the session.
- Using RTSP instead of HTTP offers advantages related to networking issues (Using RTP for transport).

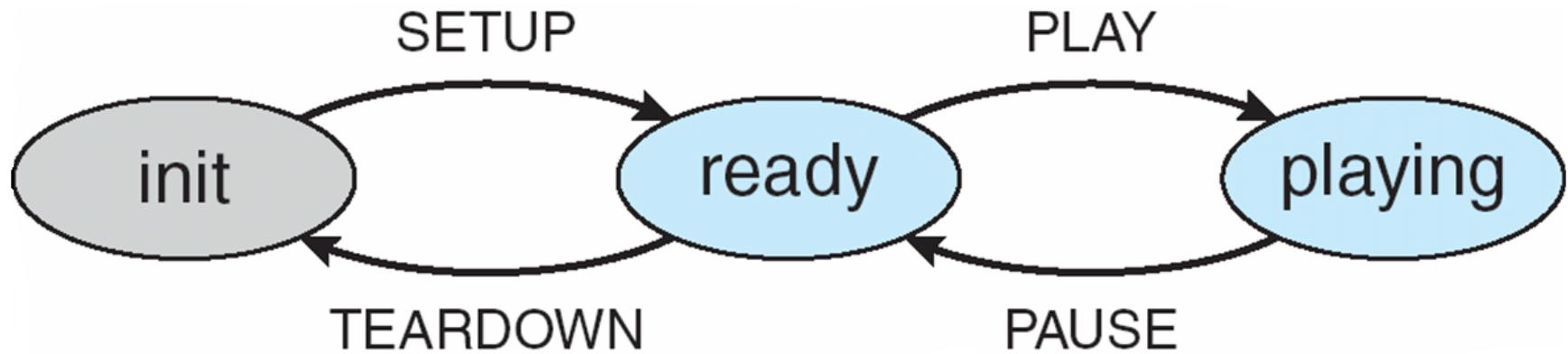
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- Network Management
- Real-Time Streaming Protocol (RTSP)



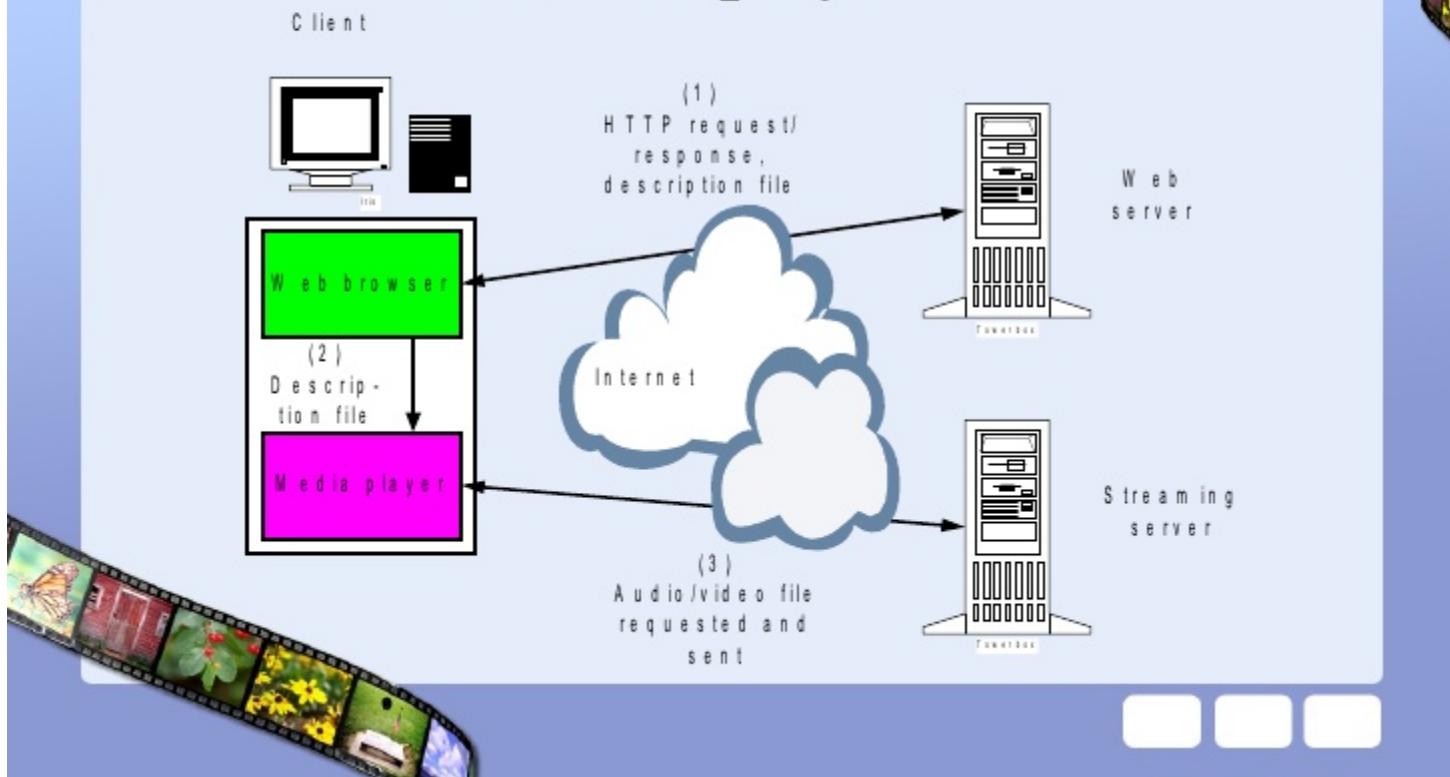
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- Network Management
- Real-Time Streaming Protocol (RTSP)
 - RTSP Server will be in following states:
 - Init, Ready, Playing
 - Transition between states occur when Server receives one of the RTSP commands from the Client.

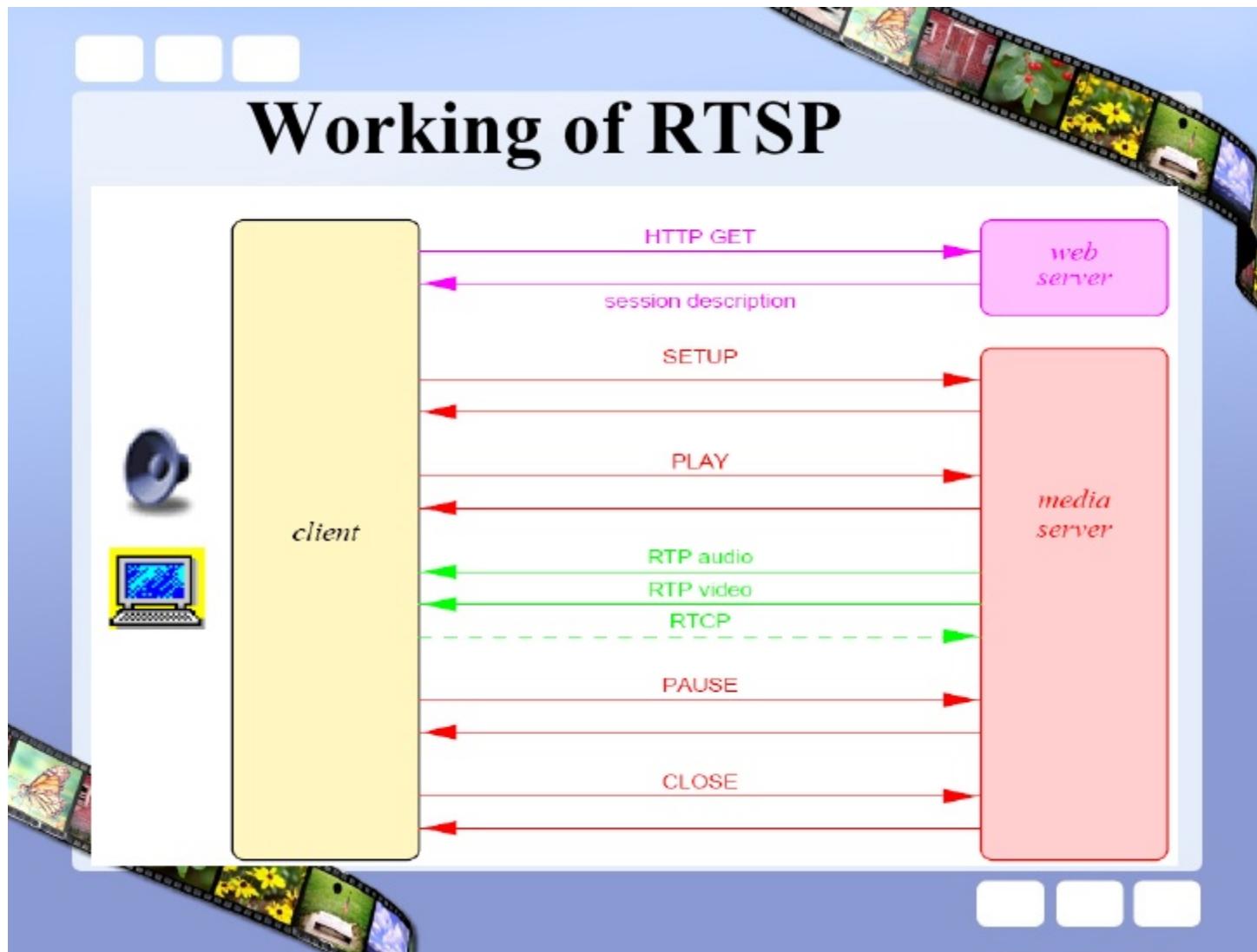


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Streaming from a streaming server to a media player



Working of RTSP



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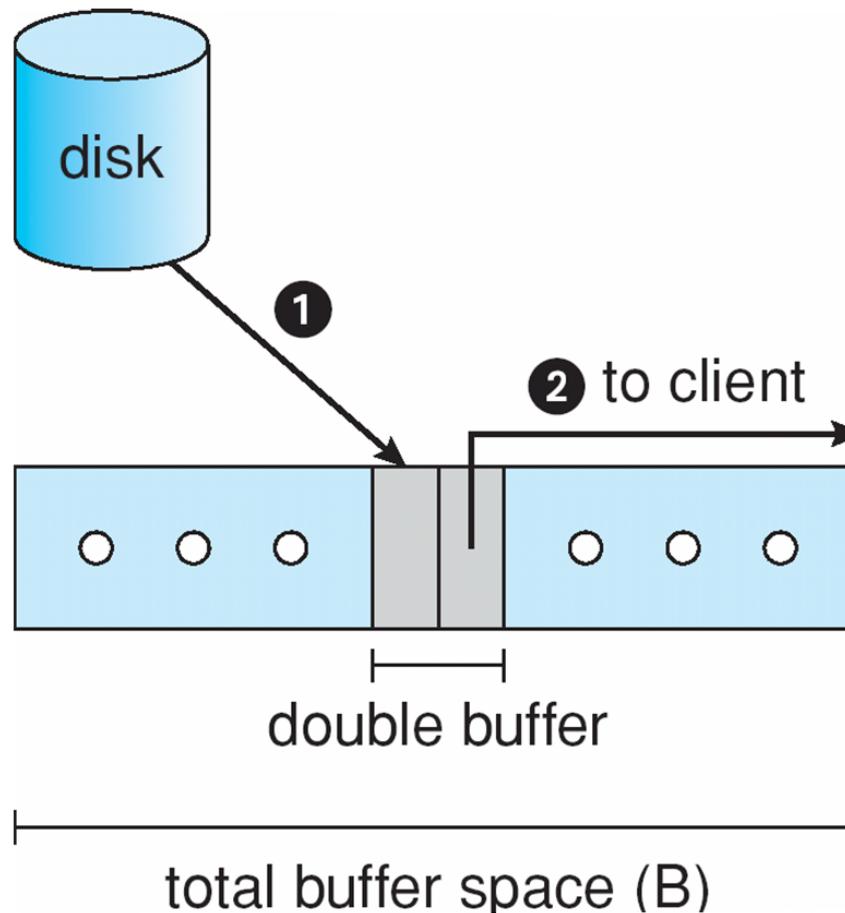
- CineBlitz Multimedia Storage Server
- High-performance Media Server supports:
 - Real-Time Clients: Continuous media with Rate requirements (video/audio).
 - Non-Real-Time Clients: Conventional data with no associated Rate requirements.
- Disk Scheduling: Services request in cycles.
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 - At each cycle, requests are placed in C-SCAN ordering.

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- CineBlitz Multimedia Storage Server
- Admission Controls provides hard QOS guarantees to meet Real-Time Client requirements.
 - Admits client ONLY if there are sufficient resources (disk bandwidth, buffer space) for data retrieval at the required rate.
 - Monitors system resources: disk bandwidth, disk latency, available buffer space.
 - Bound Requests into Service queue:
 - Service time for each request is first estimated.
 - Request is admitted ONLY if the sum of the estimated service times for all admitted request does not exceed duration of service cycle.

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■ CineBlitz Multimedia Storage Server



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- **Summary**
- Multimedia files include video and audio files, delivered to desktop computers, PDAs, Cell Phones.
- Multimedia data have specific rate and deadline requirements.
 - Specific timing requirements require data to be compressed before delivery to a client for playback.
 - Delivered from local file system or multimedia server using streaming technique.
- Multimedia has Quality-Of-Service (QOS) requirements.
 - Multimedia systems provide QOS using Admission Control.
 - Admission Control: System accepts a request ONLY if the QOS level (rate requirement) can be meet.
 - Operating System provides CPU Scheduling and Disk Scheduling to support deadline requirements of the continuous media streaming.
 - Network Management uses RTSP/RTP protocols to handle delays and jitter caused by the Network and control the playback.