Operating System Basic Concepts Visualization

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Abstract:

This project presents a suite of interactive tools to simulate and visualize core computer science concepts, including deadlock detection, memory allocation, sorting algorithms, and process scheduling. Each module focuses on providing an educational, user-friendly interface for better understanding and experimentation.

1. **Deadlock Detection Simulation**: Implements the Banker's Algorithm to simulate resource allocation and detect deadlocks. Users can visualize resource allocation graphs and analyse system safety in real-time.
2. **Memory Allocation Simulator**: Simulates memory management strategies such as First Fit, Best Fit, Worst Fit, and Next Fit, offering insights into memory usage and fragmentation through interactive visualizations.
3. **Sorting Visualizer**: Demonstrates parallel sorting algorithms like Quick Sort, Merge Sort, and Bucket Sort, with real-time visualization of sorting operations and performance metrics.
4. **Process Scheduler Visualizer**: Visualizes scheduling algorithms, including FCFS, SJF, Priority Scheduling, and Round Robin, with customizable process inputs and Gantt chart generation.

These tools provide an engaging platform for exploring operating system concepts and parallel computing, making them ideal for learning and experimentation.

Introduction:

The understanding of operating systems is a cornerstone of computer science education, as it bridges the gap between hardware and software, managing resources and ensuring efficient execution of programs. However, grasping the fundamental concepts of operating systems can often be challenging due to their abstract and dynamic nature. This project addresses these challenges by presenting an interactive web-based platform, *OS for kids*, aimed at simplifying complex operating system concepts through simulation and visualization. The application is designed with a user-friendly interface that encourages exploration and experimentation, making it ideal for students and educators alike. Built using modern web technologies, such as React and D3.js, the platform provides an engaging way to reinforce theoretical knowledge with practical applications. Each module emphasizes interactivity, allowing users to customize inputs and observe the immediate impact of their decisions, thus fostering a deeper understanding of how operating systems function.

The project underscores the importance of practical tools in education and aims to serve as a bridge between theory and application, enhancing the learning experience for anyone studying operating systems.

System Design

The *OS for kids* platform is designed to offer an interactive and educational experience by combining modern web technologies with the computational power of C through Emscripten. The system's modular architecture ensures scalability, maintainability, and high performance, making it an ideal learning tool for operating system concepts. It integrates React for UI development, D3.js for advanced visualizations, and Emscripten to compile C algorithms into WebAssembly for seamless browser execution.

Architecture Overview:

The platform's architecture revolves around the following core components:

1. **App Component**:
    - Serves as the entry point, orchestrating navigation across the four modules and the home page using React Router.
2. **Modules**:
    - **Process Scheduler Visualizer (PSV)**: Simulates scheduling algorithms, including FCFS, SJF, Priority Scheduling, and Round Robin, and visualizes execution using Gantt charts.
    - **Memory Allocation Simulator (MAS)**: Demonstrates memory allocation strategies with interactive visualizations of memory usage and fragmentation.
    - **Multithreaded Sorting Visualizer (MSV)**: Provides an animated simulation of parallel sorting algorithms, such as Quick Sort, Merge Sort, and Bucket Sort.
    - **Deadlock Detection Tool (DEAD)**: Implements deadlock detection and prevention mechanisms using the Banker's Algorithm and visualizes resource allocation graphs.
3. **Home Component**: Acts as the navigation hub, linking to the individual modules and displaying information about the creators.

Integration of Emscripten

Emscripten is used to bridge high-performance C implementations of algorithms with the JavaScript-based frontend:

- **Compiling C to WebAssembly**:
  - Algorithms such as Parallel Quick Sort, Parallel Merge Sort, and Priority Scheduling are implemented in C for computational efficiency.
  - Emscripten compiles these algorithms into WebAssembly, which can be executed within the browser for near-native performance.
- **Interfacing with JavaScript**:
  - The compiled WebAssembly modules are wrapped with JavaScript bindings, enabling seamless interaction between the React frontend and the underlying C logic.
  - Input data is passed from the user interface to the C algorithms, and the results are returned and visualized in real-time.

Design Principles

- **Hybrid Architecture**:
  - Combines the responsiveness of React with the computational efficiency of C via Emscripten.
  - Heavy computations, such as sorting large datasets or scheduling complex processes, are offloaded to WebAssembly.
- **Component-Based Modularity**:
  - React components encapsulate individual features, ensuring maintainability and the potential for future expansions.
- **Interactive Visualization**:
  - D3.js is utilized for rendering dynamic visualizations, including Gantt charts, memory usage diagrams, and resource allocation graphs.

System Workflow

1. **Home Page**:
    - Provides an intuitive navigation interface to access the modules.
    - Introduces users to the platform's purpose and capabilities.
2. **Module Interaction**:
    - User inputs, such as process details, memory configurations, or array sizes, are collected through interactive forms.
    - Inputs are processed either directly within React or passed to WebAssembly modules (compiled from C via Emscripten).
    - Results, such as execution sequences, sorted arrays, or resource states, are dynamically visualized.
3. **Execution and Feedback**:
    - WebAssembly modules execute computational tasks, leveraging C's performance benefits.
    - Feedback is displayed in the form of animations, graphs, or logs, fostering user understanding.

User Interface Design

- **Unified Design Language**:
    - All modules share a consistent dark-themed aesthetic for enhanced usability.
    - Input fields, sliders, and buttons are designed for accessibility and responsiveness.
- **Real-Time Feedback**:
    - Dynamic updates and animations keep users engaged and informed about the impact of their inputs.

Technology Stack

- **Frontend Framework**: React
- **Routing**: React Router
- **Visualization Library**: D3.js
- **Algorithm Implementation**: C, compiled to WebAssembly via Emscripten
- **Styling**: Tailwind CSS
- **Version Control**: GitHub

Implementation

The implementation of the *OS for kids* platform involves the integration of modern web technologies, algorithmic logic, and interactive visualizations to create a user-friendly educational tool.

Core Modules

Each module is implemented as an independent React component, enabling modular development and reusability.

1. Process Scheduler Visualizer (PSV)

- **Functionality**:
  - Simulates scheduling algorithms such as First-Come-First-Serve (FCFS), Shortest Job First (SJF), Priority Scheduling, and Round Robin.
  - Generates Gantt charts for visualizing execution sequences.
- **Implementation Details**:
  - Scheduling algorithms are implemented in C and translated to JavaScript using emscripten and handle user-defined process properties (arrival time, execution time, and priority).
  - Execution steps are calculated and stored in the component's state using React's useState.
  - Gantt charts are rendered dynamically using HTML and styled components.

2. Memory Allocation Simulator (MAS)

- **Functionality**:
  - Demonstrates memory allocation strategies such as First Fit, Best Fit, Worst Fit, and Next Fit.
  - Visualizes memory blocks, fragmentation, and usage statistics.
- **Implementation Details**:
  - Memory blocks are represented as objects with properties such as size, start address, and allocation status.
  - Allocation logic is implemented in C and translated to JavaScript using emscripten, dynamically updating memory states based on user inputs.
  - Fragmentation calculations and memory usage statistics are updated using useEffect.

- Visualization is created using React's JSX, with responsive bars representing memory blocks.

3. Multithreaded Sorting Visualizer (MSV)

- **Functionality**:
  - Simulates and visualizes parallel sorting algorithms like Quick Sort, Merge Sort, and Bucket Sort.
  - Allows users to adjust sorting speed and array size.
- **Implementation Details**:
  - Sorting logic is implemented in C for efficiency and compiled to WebAssembly using Emscripten.
  - Sorting functions (e.g., parallelQuickSort) are interfaced with React via Emscripten-generated bindings.
  - Array updates and sorting progress are displayed as dynamic bar charts, with animations implemented using React's state updates and timing functions.

4. Deadlock Detection and Prevention Tool (DEAD)

- **Functionality**:
  - Simulates deadlock scenarios using the Banker's Algorithm.
  - Visualizes resource allocation graphs and provides logs of the algorithm's decision-making process.
- **Implementation Details**:
  - Processes and resources are represented as nodes, with allocations and needs as graph links.
  - The Banker's Algorithm is implemented in C and translated to JavaScript using emscripten, iteratively checking system states for safety.
  - D3.js is used to create force-directed graphs, dynamically updating node and link positions during user interactions.

Integration of Emscripten

- **Compilation to WebAssembly**:
  - Algorithms are implemented in C for high performance and compiled to WebAssembly using Emscripten.
- **Interfacing with React**:

- Inputs from React (e.g., arrays for sorting) are passed to WebAssembly functions via JavaScript bindings.
- Results are returned to React components for real-time visualization.

State Management

- React's useState and useEffect hooks manage dynamic data, such as user inputs, algorithm states, and visualization updates.
- Each module maintains its own state, ensuring localized updates and reducing complexity.

Visualization with D3.js

- **Dynamic Graphs**:
  - D3.js is used in the Deadlock Detection module for interactive resource allocation graphs.
  - Force-directed layouts are applied to position nodes (processes and resources) automatically.
- **Real-Time Updates**:
  - Graphs and charts are re-rendered on state changes, reflecting user inputs and algorithm progress immediately.

User Interaction

- **Inputs**:
  - Form elements (text fields, sliders, dropdowns) capture user data, triggering state updates upon submission.
- **Feedback**:
  - Logs, charts, and animations display algorithm outputs and system states in real-time.

Challenges and Solutions

1. **Performance Optimization**:
   - Computationally intensive tasks (e.g., sorting large arrays) are offloaded to WebAssembly for efficient execution.
2. **Visualization Complexity**:
   - D3.js provided a flexible framework for creating and updating visual elements dynamically.

This implementation leverages the strengths of React, D3.js, and Emscripten to deliver a highly interactive and efficient educational tool, combining computational power with intuitive design.

Testing and Evaluation

The *Os for kids* platform underwent rigorous testing to ensure accuracy, performance, and usability. The testing process involved functional validation of each module, performance benchmarking of WebAssembly-powered algorithms, and feedback from users to enhance the overall experience.

1. Functional Testing

Each module was tested for correctness and reliability using a range of input scenarios, including edge cases and invalid data.

Process Scheduler Visualizer (PSV)

- **Test Cases**:
  - Tested each scheduling algorithm (FCFS, SJF, Priority Scheduling, Round Robin) with varying numbers of processes.
  - Verified the correctness of Gantt charts against expected scheduling sequences.
  - Handled edge cases such as:
    - Processes with the same arrival times.
    - Processes with zero or negative execution times.
- **Results**:
  - All algorithms produced accurate execution sequences and visualizations.
  - User inputs were validated to prevent invalid data entries.

Memory Allocation Simulator (MAS)

- **Test Cases**:
  - Tested memory allocation strategies (First Fit, Best Fit, Worst Fit, Next Fit) with different process sizes and memory configurations.
  - Simulated scenarios with high fragmentation and ensured memory blocks were correctly merged when freed.

- **Results**:
    - Correct allocation and deallocation were observed across all strategies.
    - Memory usage statistics and fragmentation calculations matched expected outcomes.

Multithreaded Sorting Visualizer (MSV)

- **Test Cases**:
    - Compared sorting results from the WebAssembly implementations (Quick Sort, Merge Sort, Bucket Sort) against expected sorted outputs for arrays of varying sizes.
    - Tested responsiveness of animations with different speed and size configurations.
- **Results**:
    - All sorting algorithms correctly sorted input arrays.
    - Animations scaled effectively with array size and sorting speed.

Deadlock Detection Tool (DEAD)

- **Test Cases**:
    - Tested the Banker's Algorithm with various safe and unsafe resource allocation scenarios.
    - Validated that the tool correctly identified deadlock states and provided accurate logs and safe sequences.
- **Results**:
    - The system reliably identified deadlocks and correctly computed safe sequences.
    - Resource allocation graphs were rendered accurately.

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2. Performance Testing

The performance of the platform was tested to evaluate the efficiency of its WebAssembly and JavaScript components.

WebAssembly Benchmarks

- Compared the execution time of sorting algorithms in WebAssembly (compiled from C via Emscripten) to JavaScript equivalents.

- Results:
    - WebAssembly implementations consistently outperformed JavaScript, with up to 50% faster execution for large arrays.

Real-Time Updates

- Measured the responsiveness of the user interface during heavy computations, such as sorting large datasets or running Banker's Algorithm with complex scenarios.
- Results:
    - The platform maintained smooth interactions and real-time visual feedback, even with computationally intensive operations.

Scalability

- Tested the system's ability to handle high user inputs, such as:
    - Large arrays in the Sorting Visualizer (up to 10,000 elements).
    - Numerous processes in the Scheduler Visualizer.
    - Resource-intensive scenarios in the Deadlock Detection Tool.
- Results:
    - The system scaled effectively, with no significant delays or crashes.

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3. Usability Testing

Feedback from users was collected to assess the platform's ease of use and educational value.

- **Feedback Highlights**:
    - Users appreciated the clean and intuitive interface.
    - Visual feedback and interactive controls significantly enhanced understanding of the concepts.
    - Some users suggested additional features, such as support for preemptive scheduling algorithms and more customization options for memory configurations.
- **Improvement Areas**:
    - Enhance tooltips and in-app guides for new users.
    - Optimize D3.js visualizations for smoother transitions with large datasets.

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4. Summary of Findings

- **Strengths**:
    - Accurate and reliable simulations across all modules.

    - High performance and responsiveness, even under intensive workloads.
    - Engaging and interactive visualizations that made complex concepts approachable.
- **Limitations**:
    - Limited support for preemptive algorithms and certain advanced features.
    - Minor delays in visualization updates for extremely large datasets.

The testing and evaluation process demonstrated the platform's reliability and effectiveness in visualizing operating system concepts. It provides a strong foundation for further development and integration into educational settings.

C codes:

Process Schedule visualization:

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <limits.h>

#define MAX_PROCESSES 100

typedef struct {
    int process_id;
    int arrival_time;
    int burst_time;
    int priority;
    int remaining_time;
    int completion_time;
    int waiting_time;
    int turnaround_time;
} Process;

typedef struct {
    int process_id;
    int start_time;
    int duration;
} ExecutionStep;

// Function prototypes
void fcfs(Process processes[], int n, ExecutionStep steps[], int *step_count);
void sjf(Process processes[], int n, ExecutionStep steps[], int *step_count);
void priority_scheduling(Process processes[], int n, ExecutionStep steps[], int *step_count);
void round_robin(Process processes[], int n, int quantum, ExecutionStep steps[], int *step_count);
void sort_by_arrival(Process processes[], int n);
void sort_by_burst_time(Process processes[], int n);
void sort_by_priority(Process processes[], int n);

// First Come First Serve
void fcfs(Process processes[], int n, ExecutionStep steps[], int *step_count) {
    sort_by_arrival(processes, n);
    int current_time = 0;
    *step_count = 0;

    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        if (current_time < processes[i].arrival_time) {
            current_time = processes[i].arrival_time;
        }
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45          steps[*step_count].process_id = processes[i].process_id;
46          steps[*step_count].start_time = current_time;
47          steps[*step_count].duration = processes[i].burst_time;
48          (*step_count)++;
49
50          current_time += processes[i].burst_time;
51          processes[i].completion_time = current_time;
52          processes[i].turnaround_time = processes[i].completion_time - processes[i].arrival_time;
53          processes[i].waiting_time = processes[i].turnaround_time - processes[i].burst_time;
54      }
55  }
56
57  // Shortest Job First (Non-preemptive)
58  void sjf(Process processes[], int n, ExecutionStep steps[], int *step_count) {
59      Process temp[MAX_PROCESSES];
60      memcpy(temp, processes, n * sizeof(Process));
61      int current_time = 0;
62      int completed = 0;
63      *step_count = 0;
64
65      while (completed < n) {
66          int shortest_job = -1;
67          int min_burst = INT_MAX;
68
69          for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
70              if (temp[i].arrival_time <= current_time && temp[i].remaining_time > 0) {
71                  if (temp[i].burst_time < min_burst) {
72                      min_burst = temp[i].burst_time;
73                      shortest_job = i;
74                  }
75              }
76          }
77
78          if (shortest_job == -1) {
79              current_time++;
80              continue;
81          }
82
83          steps[*step_count].process_id = temp[shortest_job].process_id;
84          steps[*step_count].start_time = current_time;
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```
            steps[*step_count].duration = temp[shortest_job].burst_time;
            (*step_count)++;

            current_time += temp[shortest_job].burst_time;
            temp[shortest_job].remaining_time = 0;
            completed++;
        }
    }

    // Priority Scheduling (Non-preemptive)
    void priority_scheduling(Process processes[], int n, ExecutionStep steps[], int *step_count) {
        Process temp[MAX_PROCESSES];
        memcpy(temp, processes, n * sizeof(Process));
        int current_time = 0;
        int completed = 0;
        *step_count = 0;

        while (completed < n) {
            int highest_priority = -1;
            int min_priority = INT_MAX;

            for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
                if (temp[i].arrival_time <= current_time && temp[i].remaining_time > 0) {
                    if (temp[i].priority < min_priority) {
                        min_priority = temp[i].priority;
                        highest_priority = i;
                    }
                }
            }

            if (highest_priority == -1) {
                current_time++;
                continue;
            }

            steps[*step_count].process_id = temp[highest_priority].process_id;
            steps[*step_count].start_time = current_time;
            steps[*step_count].duration = temp[highest_priority].burst_time;
            (*step_count)++;

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            current_time += temp[highest_priority].burst_time;
            temp[highest_priority].remaining_time = 0;
            completed++;
        }
    }

    // Round Robin
    void round_robin(Process processes[], int n, int quantum, ExecutionStep steps[], int *step_count) {
        Process temp[MAX_PROCESSES];
        memcpy(temp, processes, n * sizeof(Process));
        int current_time = 0;
        int completed = 0;
        *step_count = 0;

        while (completed < n) {
            int flag = 0;
            for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
                if (temp[i].remaining_time > 0 && temp[i].arrival_time <= current_time) {
                    flag = 1;
                    int execution_time = (temp[i].remaining_time < quantum) ?
                                         temp[i].remaining_time : quantum;

                    steps[*step_count].process_id = temp[i].process_id;
                    steps[*step_count].start_time = current_time;
                    steps[*step_count].duration = execution_time;
                    (*step_count)++;

                    temp[i].remaining_time -= execution_time;
                    current_time += execution_time;

                    if (temp[i].remaining_time == 0) {
                        completed++;
                    }
                }
            }
            if (!flag) current_time++;
        }
    }

```

Multithreaded Sorting Visualization:

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <omp.h>

// Function declarations
void parallelQuickSort(int *arr, int low, int high);
void parallelMergeSort(int *arr, int left, int right);
void parallelBucketSort(int *arr, int n);
void merge(int *arr, int left, int mid, int right);
void quickSort(int *arr, int low, int high);
int partition(int *arr, int low, int high);
void swap(int *a, int *b);
void printArray(int *arr, int n);

// Utility function to swap elements
void swap(int *a, int *b) {
    int temp = *a;
    *a = *b;
    *b = temp;
}

// Parallel Quick Sort Implementation
void parallelQuickSort(int *arr, int low, int high) {
    if (low < high) {
        #pragma omp parallel
        {
            #pragma omp single nowait
            {
                int pivot = partition(arr, low, high);

                #pragma omp task
                parallelQuickSort(arr, low, pivot - 1);

                #pragma omp task
                parallelQuickSort(arr, pivot + 1, high);
            }
        }
    }
}

int partition(int *arr, int low, int high) {
    int pivot = arr[high];
    int i = low - 1;

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```
45          for (int j = low; j < high; j++) {
46              if (arr[j] < pivot) {
47                  i++;
48                  swap(&arr[i], &arr[j]);
49              }
50          }
51          swap(&arr[i + 1], &arr[high]);
52          return (i + 1);
53      }
54
55      // Parallel Merge Sort Implementation
56      void parallelMergeSort(int *arr, int left, int right) {
57          if (left < right) {
58              int mid = left + (right - left) / 2;
59
60              #pragma omp parallel sections
61              {
62                  #pragma omp section
63                  parallelMergeSort(arr, left, mid);
64
65                  #pragma omp section
66                  parallelMergeSort(arr, mid + 1, right);
67              }
68
69              merge(arr, left, mid, right);
70          }
71      }
72
73      void merge(int *arr, int left, int mid, int right) {
74          int leftSize = mid - left + 1;
75          int rightSize = right - mid;
76
77          int *leftArr = (int*)malloc(leftSize * sizeof(int));
78          int *rightArr = (int*)malloc(rightSize * sizeof(int));
79
80          for (int i = 0; i < leftSize; i++)
81              leftArr[i] = arr[left + i];
82          for (int j = 0; j < rightSize; j++)
83              rightArr[j] = arr[mid + 1 + j];
84
85          int i = 0, j = 0, k = left;
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85          int i = 0, j = 0, k = left;
86
87          while (i < leftSize && j < rightSize) {
88              if (leftArr[i] <= rightArr[j])
89                  arr[k++] = leftArr[i++];
90              else
91                  arr[k++] = rightArr[j++];
92          }
93
94          while (i < leftSize)
95              arr[k++] = leftArr[i++];
96
97          while (j < rightSize)
98              arr[k++] = rightArr[j++];
99
100         free(leftArr);
101         free(rightArr);
102     }
103
104     // Parallel Bucket Sort Implementation
105     void parallelBucketSort(int *arr, int n) {
106         #pragma omp parallel
107         {
108             // Determine number of buckets and local bucket size
109             int threadCount = omp_get_num_threads();
110             int bucketCount = threadCount;
111             int *bucketSizes = (int*)calloc(bucketCount, sizeof(int));
112
113             // Distribute elements across buckets
114             #pragma omp for
115             for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
116                 int bucketIndex = arr[i] * bucketCount / (100 + 1);
117                 bucketSizes[bucketIndex]++;
118             }
119
120             // Allocate bucket memory
121             int **buckets = (int**)malloc(bucketCount * sizeof(int*));
122             int *bucketIndices = (int*)calloc(bucketCount, sizeof(int));
123
124             for (int i = 0; i < bucketCount; i++) {
125                 buckets[i] = (int*)malloc(bucketSizes[i] * sizeof(int));
```

```
128             // Distribute elements into buckets
129             #pragma omp for
130             for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
131                 int bucketIndex = arr[i] * bucketCount / (100 + 1);
132                 int localIndex;
133 
134                 #pragma omp atomic capture
135                 localIndex = bucketIndices[bucketIndex]++;
136 
137                 buckets[bucketIndex][localIndex] = arr[i];
138             }
139 
140             // Sort individual buckets
141             #pragma omp for
142             for (int i = 0; i < bucketCount; i++) {
143                 quickSort(buckets[i], 0, bucketSizes[i] - 1);
144             }
145 
146             // Merge buckets back into original array
147             #pragma omp single
148             {
149                 int index = 0;
150                 for (int i = 0; i < bucketCount; i++) {
151                     for (int j = 0; j < bucketSizes[i]; j++) {
152                         arr[index++] = buckets[i][j];
153                     }
154                     free(buckets[i]);
155                 }
156                 free(buckets);
157                 free(bucketSizes);
158                 free(bucketIndices);
159             }
160         }
161     }
162 
163     // Helper function for bucket sort
164     void quickSort(int *arr, int low, int high) {
165         if (low < high) {
166             int pivot = partition(arr, low, high);
167             quickSort(arr, low, pivot - 1);
168             quickSort(arr, pivot + 1, high);
169         }
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169         }
170     }
171 
172     // Utility function to print array
173     void printArray(int *arr, int n) {
174         for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
175             printf("%d ", arr[i]);
176         printf("\n");
177     }
178 
```

Memory Allocation simulation:

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdbool.h>
#include <time.h>

#define MAX_BLOCKS 1024
#define MAX_PROCESSES 1024
#define MAX_NAME_LENGTH 64

typedef enum {
    FIRST_FIT,
    BEST_FIT,
    WORST_FIT,
    NEXT_FIT
} AllocationStrategy;

typedef struct {
    char id[32];
    char name[MAX_NAME_LENGTH];
    int size;
    int start_time;
    int allocated_at;
    int deallocated_at;
} Process;

typedef struct {
    char id[32];
    int start;
    int end;
    int size;
    bool is_free;
    Process* process;
} MemoryBlock;

typedef struct {
    MemoryBlock blocks[MAX_BLOCKS];
    int block_count;
    int total_memory;
    int next_fit_pointer;
```

```
    Process processes[MAX_PROCESSES];
    int process_count;
    double fragmentation;
    int current_time;
} MemoryManager;

// Function prototypes
void init_memory_manager(MemoryManager* manager, int total_memory);
char* generate_random_id(char* buffer);
int find_suitable_block(MemoryManager* manager, int size);
bool allocate_memory(MemoryManager* manager, Process* process);
void deallocate_process(MemoryManager* manager, const char* process_id);
void merge_free_blocks(MemoryManager* manager);
void calculate_fragmentation(MemoryManager* manager);
void print_memory_state(MemoryManager* manager);

// Initialize memory manager
void init_memory_manager(MemoryManager* manager, int total_memory) {
    manager->total_memory = total_memory;
    manager->block_count = 1;
    manager->process_count = 0;
    manager->next_fit_pointer = 0;
    manager->strategy = BEST_FIT;
    manager->current_time = 0;
    manager->fragmentation = 0.0;

    // Initialize first block as free
    generate_random_id(manager->blocks[0].id);
    manager->blocks[0].start = 0;
    manager->blocks[0].end = total_memory;
    manager->blocks[0].size = total_memory;
    manager->blocks[0].is_free = true;
    manager->blocks[0].process = NULL;
}

// Generate random ID
char* generate_random_id(char* buffer) {
    static const char charset[] = "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz0123456789";
    int length = 9;

    for (int i = 0; i < length; i++) {
        int index = rand() % (sizeof(charset) - 1);
        buffer[i] = charset[index];
    }
```

```
87          return buffer;
88      }
89
90      // Find suitable block based on strategy
91      int find_suitable_block(MemoryManager* manager, int size) {
92          int selected_block = -1;
93
94          switch (manager->strategy) {
95              case FIRST_FIT:
96                  for (int i = 0; i < manager->block_count; i++) {
97                      if (manager->blocks[i].is_free && manager->blocks[i].size >= size) {
98                          selected_block = i;
99                          break;
100                     }
101                 }
102                 break;
103
104             case BEST_FIT: {
105                 int min_suitable_size = manager->total_memory + 1;
106                 for (int i = 0; i < manager->block_count; i++) {
107                     if (manager->blocks[i].is_free && manager->blocks[i].size >= size) {
108                         if (manager->blocks[i].size < min_suitable_size) {
109                             min_suitable_size = manager->blocks[i].size;
110                             selected_block = i;
111                         }
112                     }
113                 }
114                 break;
115             }
116
117             case WORST_FIT: {
118                 int max_suitable_size = -1;
119                 for (int i = 0; i < manager->block_count; i++) {
120                     if (manager->blocks[i].is_free && manager->blocks[i].size >= size) {
121                         if (manager->blocks[i].size > max_suitable_size) {
122                             max_suitable_size = manager->blocks[i].size;
123                             selected_block = i;
124                         }
125                     }
126                 }
127                 break;
128             }
129
130             case NEXT_FIT: {
```

```
            case NEXT_FIT: {
                int start_point = manager->next_fit_pointer;
                for (int i = 0; i < manager->block_count; i++) {
                    int index = (start_point + i) % manager->block_count;
                    if (manager->blocks[index].is_free && manager->blocks[index].size >= size) {
                        selected_block = index;
                        manager->next_fit_pointer = (index + 1) % manager->block_count;
                        break;
                    }
                }
                break;
            }
        }

        return selected_block;
    }

    // Allocate memory for process
    bool allocate_memory(MemoryManager* manager, Process* process) {
        int block_index = find_suitable_block(manager, process->size);

        if (block_index == -1) {
            return false;
        }

        MemoryBlock* selected_block = &manager->blocks[block_index];

        // Split block if necessary
        if (selected_block->size > process->size) {
            // Create new free block
            MemoryBlock new_block;
            generate_random_id(new_block.id);
            new_block.start = selected_block->start + process->size;
            new_block.end = selected_block->end;
            new_block.size = selected_block->size - process->size;
            new_block.is_free = true;
            new_block.process = NULL;

            // Update selected block
            selected_block->end = selected_block->start + process->size;
            selected_block->size = process->size;
```

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171
172             // Insert new block
173             for (int i = manager->block_count; i > block_index + 1; i--) {
174                 manager->blocks[i] = manager->blocks[i - 1];
175             }
176             manager->blocks[block_index + 1] = new_block;
177             manager->block_count++;
178         }
179
180         // Update selected block with process
181         selected_block->is_free = false;
182         selected_block->process = process;
183         process->allocated_at = manager->current_time;
184
185         // Add process to process list
186         manager->processes[manager->process_count++] = *process;
187
188         calculate_fragmentation(manager);
189         return true;
190     }
191
192     // Deallocate process
193     void deallocate_process(MemoryManager* manager, const char* process_id) {
194         for (int i = 0; i < manager->block_count; i++) {
195             if (!manager->blocks[i].is_free &&
196                 manager->blocks[i].process != NULL &&
197                 strcmp(manager->blocks[i].process->id, process_id) == 0) {
198
199                 manager->blocks[i].is_free = true;
200                 manager->blocks[i].process->deallocated_at = manager->current_time;
201                 manager->blocks[i].process = NULL;
202                 break;
203             }
204         }
205
206         merge_free_blocks(manager);
207         calculate_fragmentation(manager);
208     }
209
210     // Merge adjacent free blocks
```

```
210     // Merge adjacent free blocks
211     void merge_free_blocks(MemoryManager* manager) {
212         int i = 0;
213         while (i < manager->block_count - 1) {
214             if (manager->blocks[i].is_free && manager->blocks[i + 1].is_free) {
215                 // Merge blocks
216                 manager->blocks[i].end = manager->blocks[i + 1].end;
217                 manager->blocks[i].size += manager->blocks[i + 1].size;
218 
219                 // Remove the second block
220                 for (int j = i + 1; j < manager->block_count - 1; j++) {
221                     manager->blocks[j] = manager->blocks[j + 1];
222                 }
223                 manager->block_count--;
224             } else {
225                 i++;
226             }
227         }
228     }
229 
230     // Calculate memory fragmentation
231     void calculate_fragmentation(MemoryManager* manager) {
232         int total_free_space = 0;
233         int largest_free_block = 0;
234 
235         for (int i = 0; i < manager->block_count; i++) {
236             if (manager->blocks[i].is_free) {
237                 total_free_space += manager->blocks[i].size;
238                 if (manager->blocks[i].size > largest_free_block) {
239                     largest_free_block = manager->blocks[i].size;
240                 }
241             }
242         }
243 
244         if (largest_free_block > 0) {
245             manager->fragmentation = ((double)(total_free_space - largest_free_block) / manager->total_memory) * 100.0;
246         } else {
247             manager->fragmentation = 0.0;
248         }
249     }
```

```
249     }
250 
251     // Print current memory state
252     void print_memory_state(MemoryManager* manager) {
253         printf("\nMemory State (Total: %d MB):\n", manager->total_memory);
254         printf("Fragmentation: %.2f%%\n", manager->fragmentation);
255         printf("Active Processes: %d\n", manager->process_count);
256 
257         for (int i = 0; i < manager->block_count; i++) {
258             printf("Block %d: [%d-%d] %d MB - %s\n",
259                 i,
260                 manager->blocks[i].start,
261                 manager->blocks[i].end,
262                 manager->blocks[i].size,
263                 manager->blocks[i].is_free ? "Free" :
264                     manager->blocks[i].process ? manager->blocks[i].process->name : "Unknown"
265             );
266         }
267     }
268 
```

Deadlock simulation:

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdbool.h>
#include <string.h>

#define MAX_RESOURCES 10
#define MAX_PROCESSES 10

typedef struct {
    char processName[20];
    int allocation[MAX_RESOURCES];
    int max[MAX_RESOURCES];
    int need[MAX_RESOURCES];
    int priority;
} ResourceAllocation;

int available[MAX_RESOURCES];
ResourceAllocation processes[MAX_PROCESSES];
int processCount = 0;
int resourceCount = 0;

void calculateNeed(ResourceAllocation *process, int resourceCount) {
    for (int i = 0; i < resourceCount; i++) {
        process->need[i] = process->max[i] - process->allocation[i];
    }
}

void addProcess(const char *processName, int *allocation, int *max, int priority) {
    if (processCount >= MAX_PROCESSES) {
        printf("Cannot add more processes. Limit reached.\n");
        return;
    }

    ResourceAllocation *process = &processes[processCount];
    strcpy(process->processName, processName);
    memcpy(process->allocation, allocation, sizeof(int) * resourceCount);
    memcpy(process->max, max, sizeof(int) * resourceCount);
    process->priority = priority;

    calculateNeed(process, resourceCount);

    processCount++;
    printf("Process %s added successfully.\n", processName);
}

```

```
46  void releaseResources(const char *processName) {
47      for (int i = 0; i < processCount; i++) {
48          if (strcmp(processes[i].processName, processName) == 0) {
49              for (int j = 0; j < resourceCount; j++) {
50                  available[j] += processes[i].allocation[j];
51              }
52              for (int k = i; k < processCount - 1; k++) {
53                  processes[k] = processes[k + 1];
54              }
55              processCount--;
56              printf("Resources from process %s released.\n", processName);
57              return;
58          }
59      }
60      printf("Process %s not found.\n", processName);
61  }
62
63  void runBankersAlgorithm() {
64      int work[MAX_RESOURCES];
65      bool finish[MAX_PROCESSES] = {false};
66      char safeSequence[MAX_PROCESSES][20];
67      int safeSequenceCount = 0;
68
69      memcpy(work, available, sizeof(int) * resourceCount);
70
71      bool progress = true;
72      while (progress) {
73          progress = false;
74          for (int i = 0; i < processCount; i++) {
75              if (!finish[i]) {
76                  bool canProceed = true;
77                  for (int j = 0; j < resourceCount; j++) {
78                      if (processes[i].need[j] > work[j]) {
79                          canProceed = false;
80                          break;
81                      }
82                  }
83                  if (canProceed) {
84                      for (int j = 0; j < resourceCount; j++) {
85                          work[j] += processes[i].allocation[j];
```

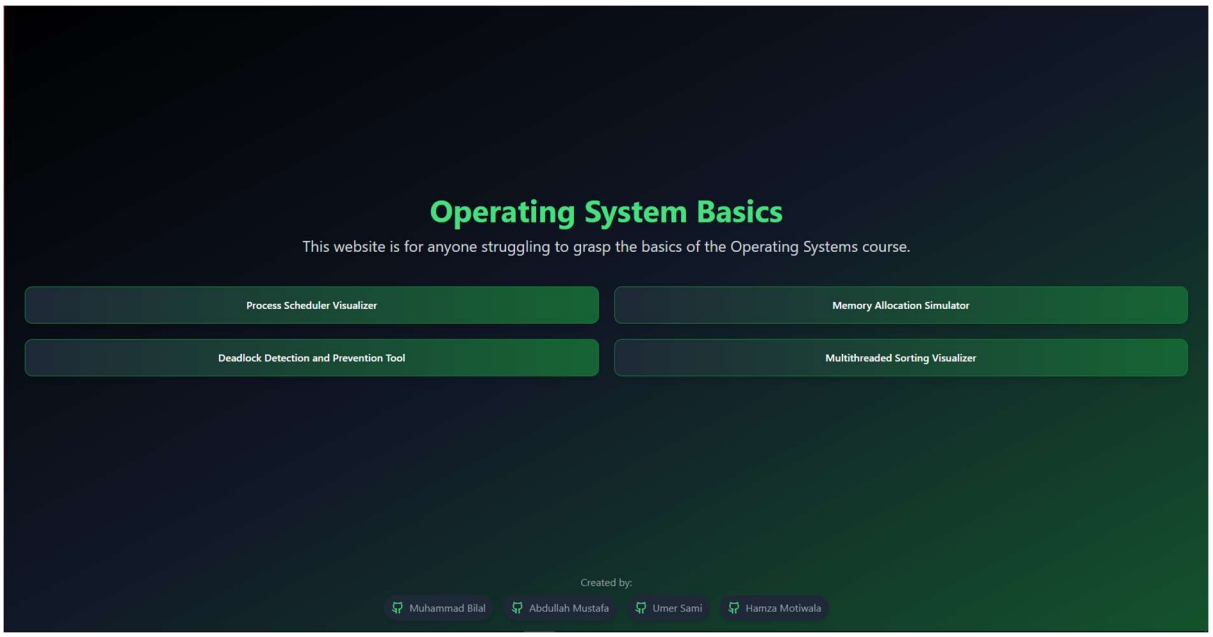
```
                    }
                    finish[i] = true;
                    strcpy(safeSequence[safeSequenceCount++], processes[i].processName);
                    progress = true;
                }
            }
        }
    }

    bool allFinished = true;
    for (int i = 0; i < processCount; i++) {
        if (!finish[i]) {
            allFinished = false;
            break;
        }
    }

    if (allFinished) {
        printf("System is in a safe state.\nSafe sequence: ");
        for (int i = 0; i < safeSequenceCount; i++) {
            printf("%s%s", safeSequence[i], i == safeSequenceCount - 1 ? "\n" : " -> ");
        }
    } else {
        printf("System is in a deadlock state.\n");
    }
}
```

Results

The *OS for kids'* platform successfully achieves its goal of providing an interactive and educational tool for visualizing and simulating core operating system concepts. The outcomes from testing and user feedback demonstrate the platform's accuracy, performance, and usability. This section summarizes the key results, with visual examples provided through screenshots of the interface and outputs.



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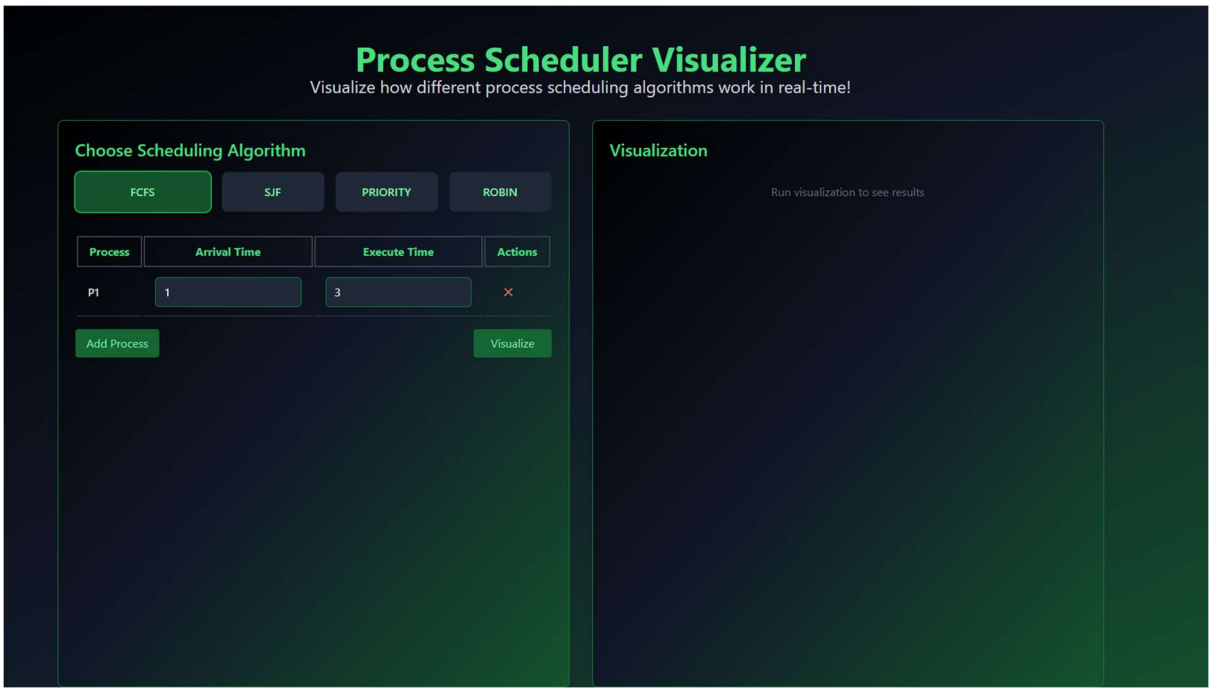
1. Module-Wise Outcomes

Each module delivered the expected functionality, with user inputs leading to accurate outputs and interactive visualizations.

Process Scheduler Visualizer (PSV)

- The module correctly simulated scheduling algorithms like FCFS, SJF, Priority Scheduling, and Round Robin.


Process Scheduler Visualizer
Visualize how different process scheduling algorithms work in real-time!
Choose Scheduling Algorithm
FCFS
SJF
PRIORITY
ROBIN
Process
Arrival Time
Execute Time
Actions
P1
1
3
Add Process
Visualize
Visualization
Run visualization to see results

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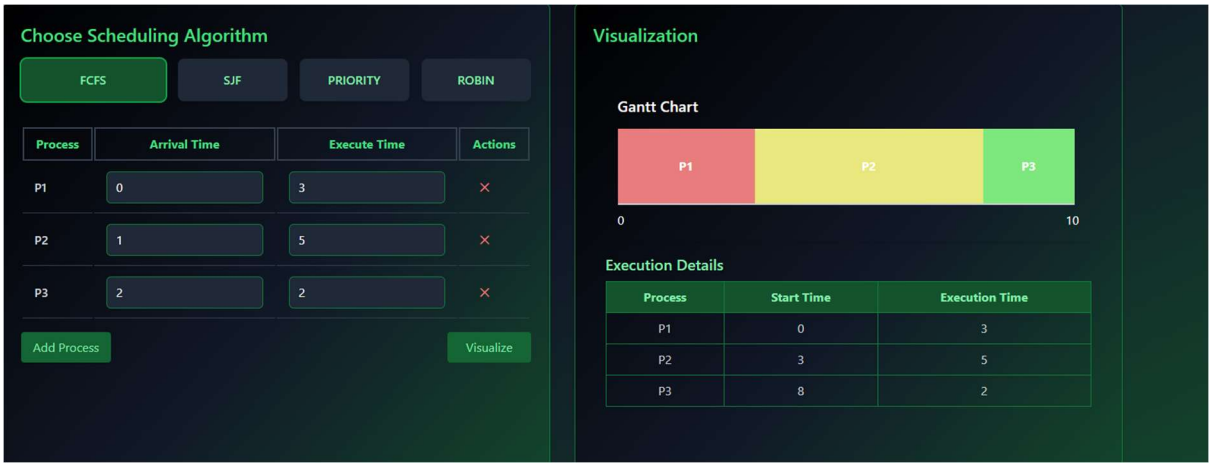
- FCFS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Arrival Time
Execute Time
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P2
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2
2
Add Process
Visualize
Visualization
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P1
P2
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P2
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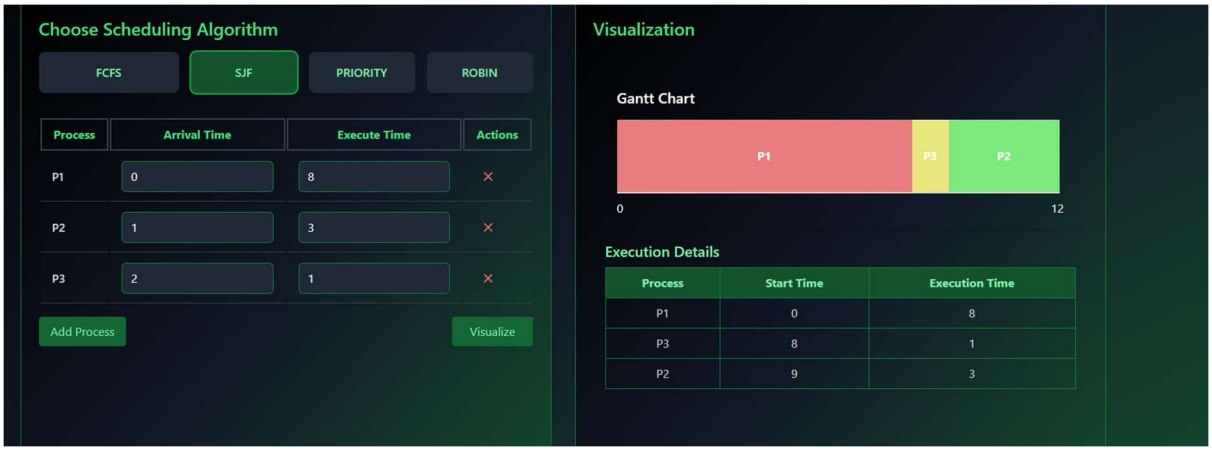
- SJF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Add Process
Visualize
Visualization
Gantt Chart
P1
P3
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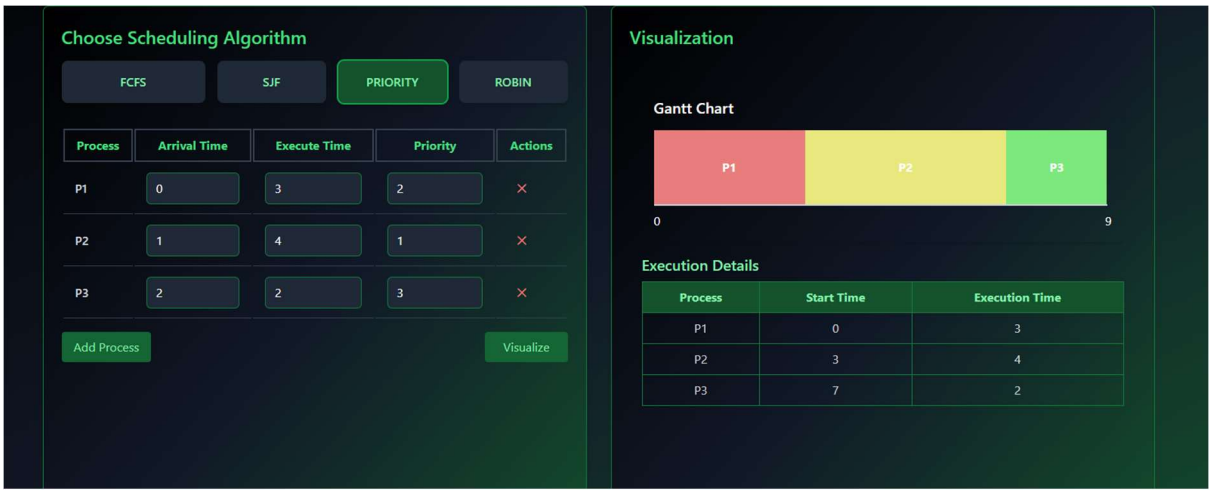
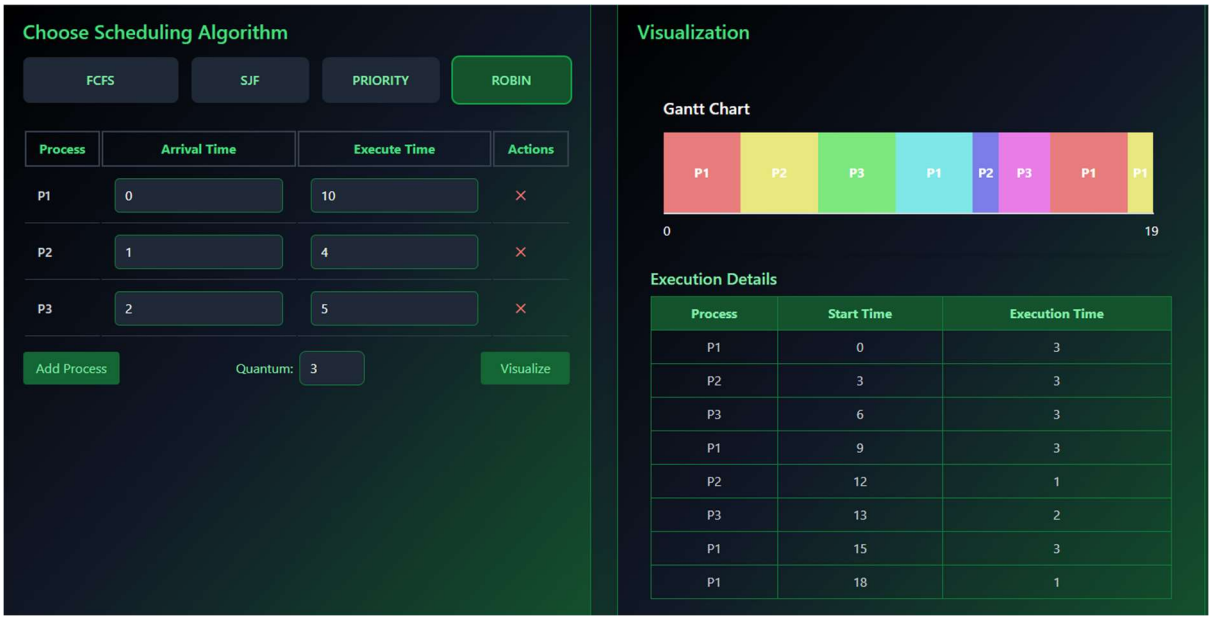
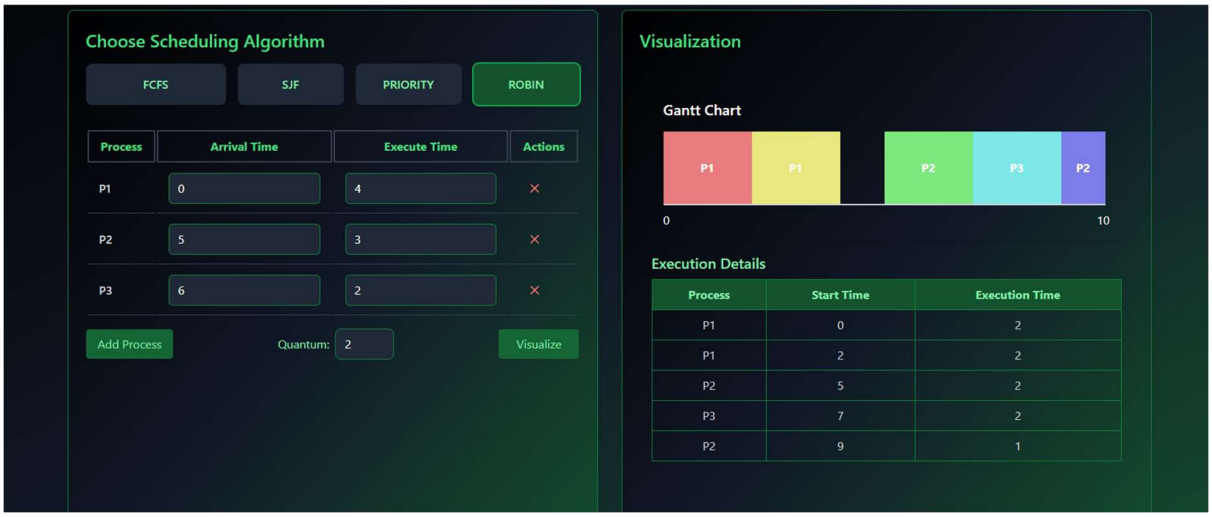
- Priority Scheduling



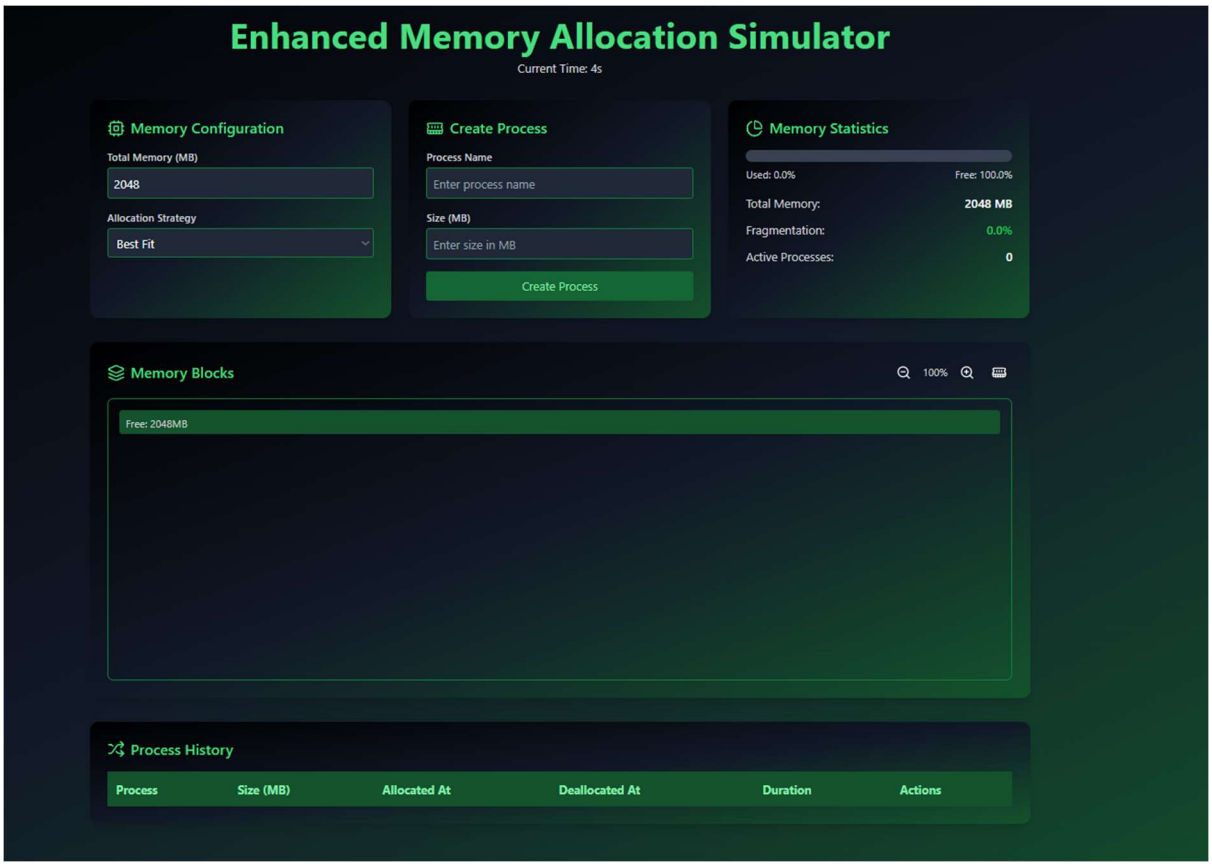
- Basic Round Robin



- Round Robin with idle time

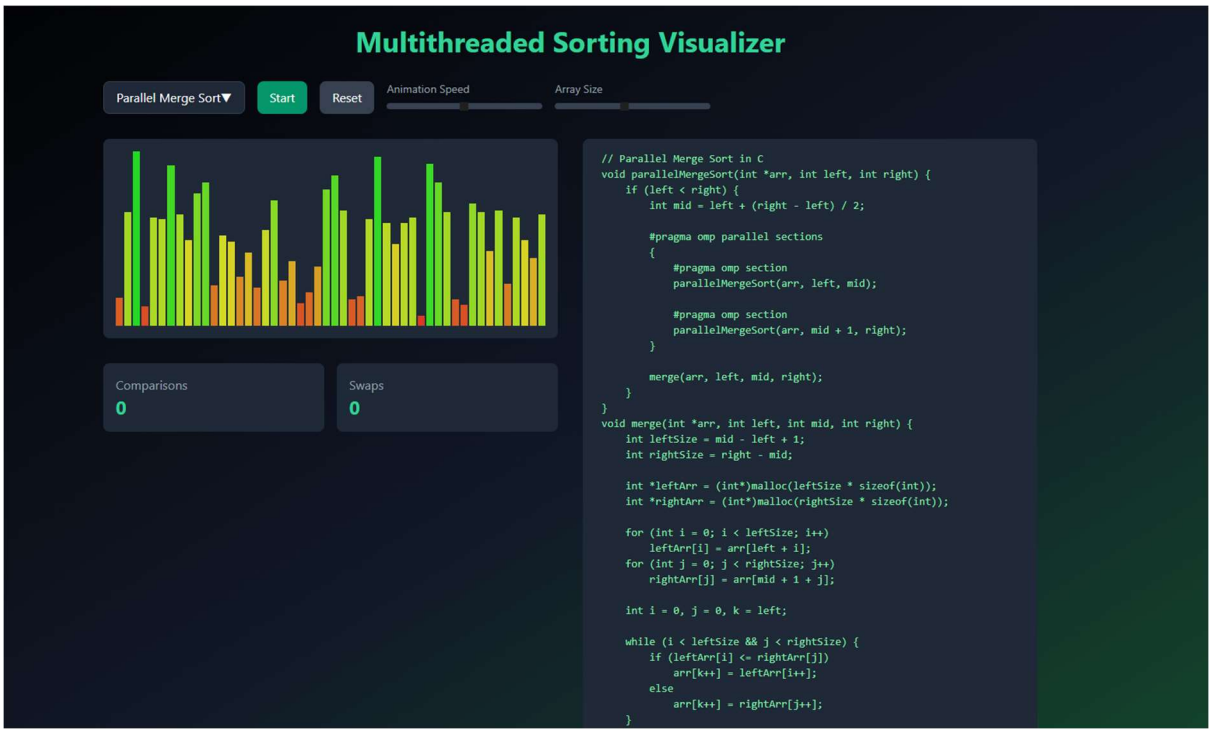


Memory Allocation Simulator (MAS)

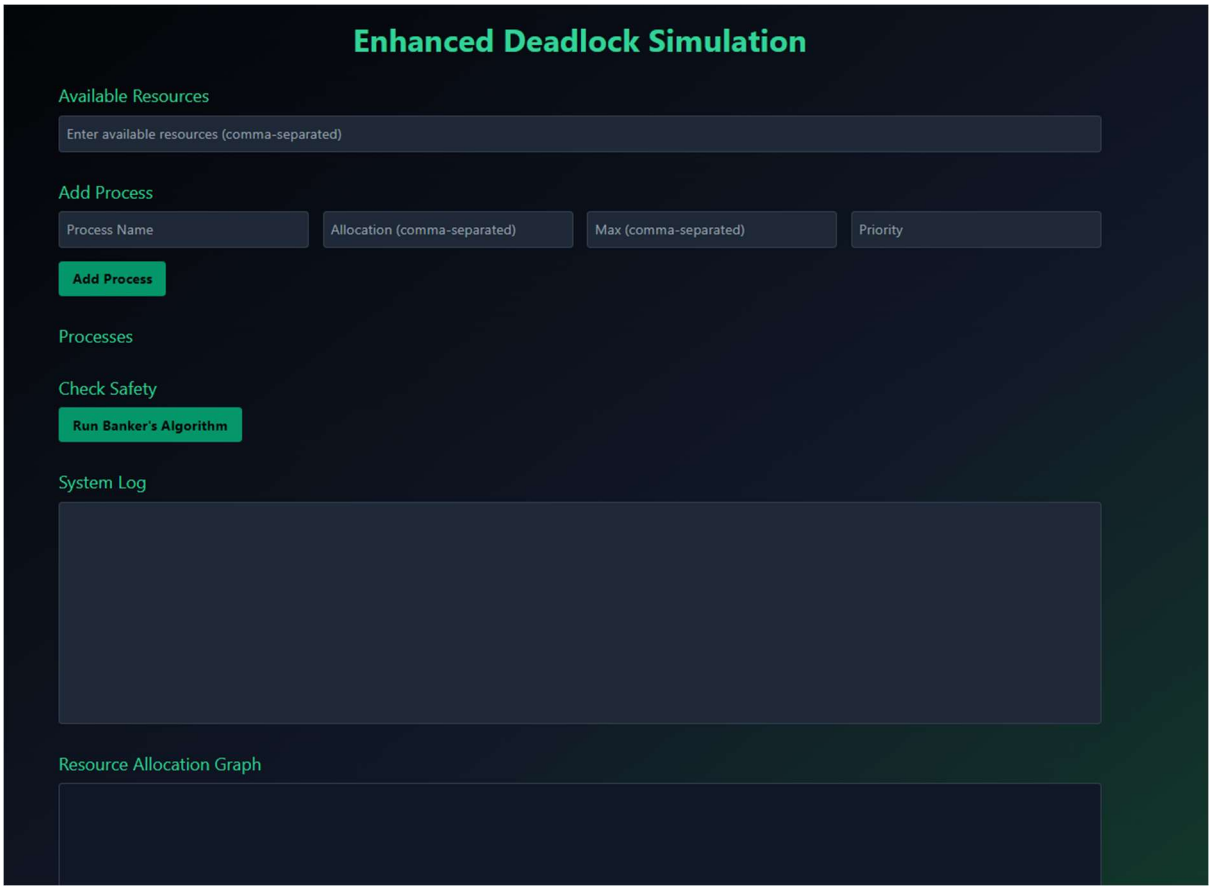
- Simulations of memory allocation strategies (First Fit, Best Fit, Worst Fit, and Next Fit) provided correct allocation results.
- 

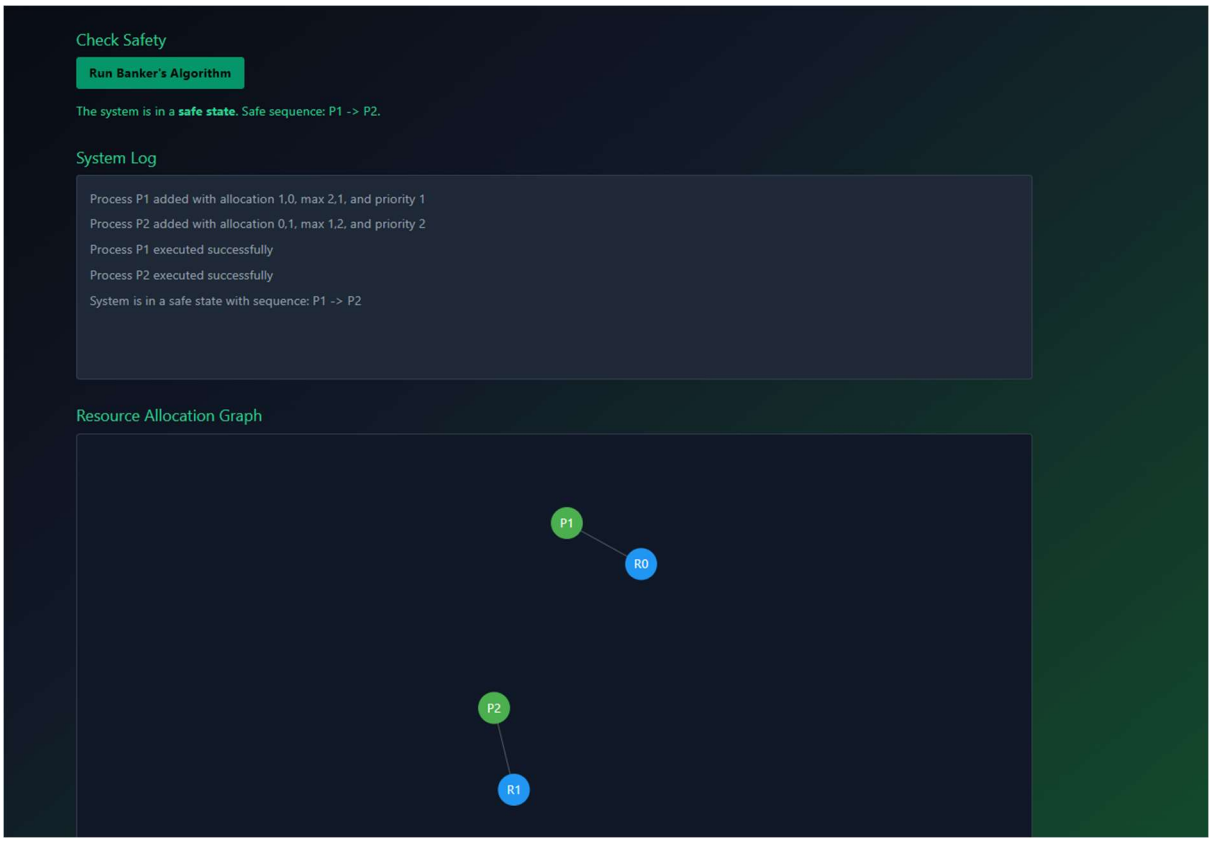
Multithreaded Sorting Visualizer (MSV)

- Sorting algorithms, including Parallel Quick Sort, Merge Sort, and Bucket Sort, were visually represented through animated bar charts.

- 

Deadlock Detection and Prevention Tool (DEAD)

- The Banker's Algorithm reliably identified deadlock and safe states.
- 

- 
Check Safety
Run Banker's Algorithm
The system is in a safe state. Safe sequence: P1 -> P2.
System Log
Process P1 added with allocation 1,0, max 2,1, and priority 1
Process P2 added with allocation 0,1, max 1,2, and priority 2
Process P1 executed successfully
Process P2 executed successfully
System is in a safe state with sequence: P1 -> P2
Resource Allocation Graph
P1
R0
P2
R1

- 
Run Banker's Algorithm
The system is in a deadlock state. No safe sequence exists.
System Log
Process P1 added with allocation 1,0, max 2,1, and priority 2
Process P2 added with allocation 0,1, max 1,2, and priority 1
Process P3 added with allocation 1,0, max 2,1, and priority 3
System is in a deadlock state.
Resource Allocation Graph
P2
R1
P1
R0
P3

2. Performance Results

The platform exhibited strong performance in handling computationally intensive tasks, particularly those involving WebAssembly-compiled algorithms.

- **Sorting Performance**:
  - Screenshots of execution times for large arrays (e.g., 10,000 elements) demonstrate the efficiency of WebAssembly-powered algorithms, which were up to 50% faster than equivalent JavaScript implementations.
- **Scalability**:
  - Modules handled large inputs effectively, with no crashes or significant delays, even under extreme scenarios.
- **Real-Time Updates**:
  - Visualizations and logs updated seamlessly, maintaining a responsive user experience.

Summary

The platform delivers on its promise of combining computational efficiency with interactive education. With accurate outputs and engaging visualizations, the *OS for kids* tool serves as an effective resource for both students and educators. The screenshots included in this section provide further validation of the system's reliability and usability.

Conclusion

The *OS for kids* platform successfully bridges the gap between theoretical learning and practical understanding of fundamental operating system concepts. By leveraging interactive simulations and dynamic visualizations, the platform provides an engaging and user-friendly environment for exploring process scheduling, memory allocation, sorting algorithms, and deadlock detection.

The project demonstrated the effectiveness of combining modern web technologies, such as React and D3.js, with the computational efficiency of WebAssembly through Emscripten. Each module offers accurate simulations, real-time feedback, and intuitive interfaces, making it a valuable tool for students, educators, and enthusiasts aiming to deepen their knowledge of operating systems.

Key accomplishments include:

- **Accurate Simulations**: All implemented algorithms performed as expected across various test scenarios, providing reliable results.
- **Performance Optimization**: The integration of C algorithms compiled to WebAssembly significantly improved the speed and scalability of computationally intensive operations.
- **Enhanced Usability**: Real-time visual feedback and interactive controls helped simplify complex concepts, fostering better engagement and learning outcomes.

While the platform achieved its primary objectives, there is room for improvement and expansion:

- **Future Features**: Incorporating more advanced algorithms, such as preemptive scheduling, multi-level memory management, or additional sorting techniques.
- **Improved Accessibility**: Adding in-app tutorials and tooltips to assist first-time users.
- **Broader Applications**: Extending the platform for use in professional training or integrating it into academic curricula.

In conclusion, the *OS for kids* platform serves as a robust foundation for exploring operating system concepts. Its combination of educational value, interactive design, and computational efficiency underscores its potential as a transformative tool in computer science education.