

CS211: Programming and Operating Systems  
**Semester 2 Assignment, 2019/2020**

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**Deadline: 5pm Thursday 9th April 2020.**

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Q1. (a) [6 Marks] What are the *First-Fit* (FF), *Best-Fit* (BF) and *Worst-Fit* (WF) schemes for memory allocation?

Suppose a system with memory partitions of size 200k, 500k, 340k, and 200k in that order. In cases **A** and **B** below four jobs requiring (contiguous) memory space of various sizes are submitted at the same in the order given below. Show how the FF, BF and WF schemes would allocate memory for these processes.

<b>A</b>		<b>B</b>	
Process	Size	Process	Size
$P_1$	240k	$P_1$	240k
$P_2$	350k	$P_2$	300k
$P_3$	150k	$P_3$	250k
$P_4$	200k	$P_4$	210k

(b) [4 Marks] Suppose a system's cache has space for three pages, a program has the following stream of virtual pages (also called the "page reference string")

$\{1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 3, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

Calculate the "hit rate" for each of the *First-In-First-Out* (FIFO), *Optimal* and *Least Recently Used* (LRU) Page Replacement policies.

- Q2. (a) [2 Marks] What is a **Resource Allocation Graph**? Explain the relation between cycles in the graph and system deadlock in the case where there is a single instance of each resource.
- (b) [6 Marks] Consider the two Resource Allocation Graphs in Figure 1, both for the scenario where we have three processes,  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$ , and  $P_3$ , which are three resources,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$ .
- Determine if it represents a deadlocked state.
  - If it is deadlocked, explain why.
  - If it is not deadlocked, explain how the resource allocation would proceed so that, eventually, all processes received their desired resource allocation. (You may assume that if a process has its desired resource allocation it will eventually terminate and release those resources).

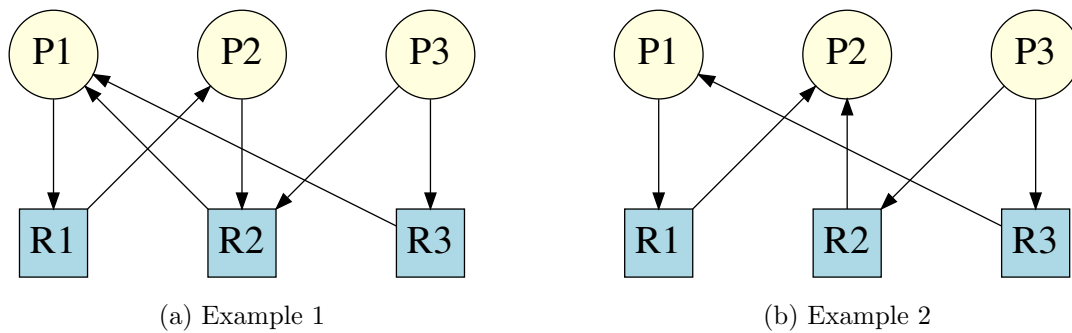


Figure 1: Two resource allocation graphs for Q2-(a)

- (c) [2 Marks] Suppose a system has four resources of the same type, and three running processes, each of which requires two resources. Will this system reach deadlock? Explain your answer.
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- Q3. (a) [2 Marks] What is a *process*? Name the five possible states of process activity.
- (b) [8 Marks] Explain the following CPU scheduling algorithms, mentioning an advantage and a disadvantage of each:
- First-Come-First-Served* (FCFS),
  - Shortest-Job-First* (SJF),
  - Round-Robin* (RR).

The table below shows the CPU burst times (in seconds) of four processes submitted in the given order, all at time  $t = 0$ . Calculate the average wait and response times for each of FCFS, SJF, and RR with a time quantum of  $q = 4$  seconds.

Process	$P_1$	$P_2$	$P_3$	$P_4$
Burst Time	20	4	10	2