

LEC-12: Intro to Process Scheduling | FCFS | Convoy Effect



1. **Process Scheduling**
 - a. Basis of Multi-programming OS.
 - b. By switching the CPU among processes, the OS can make the computer more productive.
 - c. Many processes are kept in memory at a time, when a process must wait or time quantum expires, the OS takes the CPU away from that process & gives the CPU to another process & this pattern continues.
2. **CPU Scheduler**
 - a. Whenever the CPU becomes idle, OS must select one process from the ready queue to be executed.
 - b. Done by OS.
3. **Non-Preemptive scheduling**
 - a. Once CPU has been allocated to a process, the process keeps the CPU until it releases CPU either by terminating or by switching to wait-state.
 - b. Starvation, as a process with long burst time may starve less burst time process.
 - c. Low CPU utilization.
4. **Preemptive scheduling**
 - a. CPU is taken away from a process after time quantum expires along with terminating or switching to wait-state.
 - b. Less Starvation
 - c. High CPU utilization.
5. **Goals of CPU scheduling**
 - a. Maximum CPU utilization
 - b. Minimum Turnaround time (TAT).
 - c. Min. Wait-time
 - d. Min. response time.
 - e. Max. throughput of system.
6. **Throughput:** No. of processes completed per unit time.
7. **Arrival time (AT):** Time when process is arrived at the ready queue.
8. **Burst time (BT):** The time required by the process for its execution.
9. **Turnaround time (TAT):** Time taken from first time process enters ready state till it terminates. ($CT - AT$)
10. **Wait time (WT):** Time process spends waiting for CPU. ($WT = TAT - BT$)
11. **Response time:** Time duration between process getting into ready queue and process getting CPU for the first time.
12. **Completion Time (CT):** Time taken till process gets terminated.
13. **FCFS (First come-first serve):**
 - a. Whichever process comes first in the ready queue will be given CPU first.
 - b. In this, if one process has longer BT. It will have major effect on average WT of diff processes, called **Convoy effect**.
 - c. Convoy Effect is a situation where many processes, who need to use a resource for a short time, are blocked by one process holding that resource for a long time.
 - i. This causes poor resource management.