OS LAB 1

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Q1.

Machine has 4 CPU cores. #Command used : cat cpuinfo | grep "cpu cores"
Total Memory : 8146916 kB. Fraction free : 0.334 #Command used : cat meminfo
Context switches : 3182071 #Command used : cat stat
No. of forks : 4825 #Command used : cat stat

Q2.

cpu1:

CPU is bottleneck resource
Command used: top
top command showed 100% CPU usage by this process.

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  PID USER      PR  NI    VIRT    RES    SHR S  %CPU %MEM     TIME+ COMMAND
 5590 utkarsh   20   0    4196    648    568 R 100.0  0.0   0:18.06 cpu1
```

Since the program uses only 4-5 variables in its execution, the execution requires solely the CPU.

cpu1print:

console buffer size is the bottleneck resource.
Experiment : compare with printing to file by restricting the loop to 10000 iterations. Time reduces significantly.

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ten factorial is 3628800
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real    0m6.290s
user    0m0.092s
sys     0m0.412s
sourabh@VAIO:~/Downloads/lab1_files$ time ./cpu1print > f.txt

real    0m0.029s
user    0m0.028s
sys     0m0.000s
```

cpu2:

CPU is bottleneck resource

Command used: top

top command showed 100% CPU usage by this process.

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  PID USER      PR  NI    VIRT    RES    SHR S  %CPU %MEM     TIME+ COMMAND
 3839 sourabh   20   0    2020    284    228 R 100.0  0.0   0:25.78 cpu2
```

Even though it has “gettimeoftheday” syscall, he execution requires mostly the CPU.

disk:

Disk bandwidth is bottleneck resource

Command used: top, iostat

top command showed a mere 6.3% CPU usage by this process. iostat showed significant change in disk I/O bandwidth when program was running and stopped.

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  PID USER      PR  NI    VIRT    RES    SHR S  %CPU %MEM     TIME+ COMMAND
 2870 utkarsh   20   0  643392 181552  28248 S   8.0  4.6   3:15.56 chrome
 6037 utkarsh   20   0    4332   1312   1220 D   6.3  0.0   0:00.91 disk
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Device:            tps    kB_read/s    kB_wrtn/s    kB_read    kB_wrtn
sda             228.00     16176.00      3860.00      16176       3860

Device:            tps    kB_read/s    kB_wrtn/s    kB_read    kB_wrtn
sda               5.00       168.00         0.00        168          0

Device:            tps    kB_read/s    kB_wrtn/s    kB_read    kB_wrtn
sda              17.00        16.00       104.00         16        104

Device:            tps    kB_read/s    kB_wrtn/s    kB_read    kB_wrtn
sda               0.00         0.00         0.00          0          0
```

In every iteration a new file is required to be read by the program hence the OS is not able to cache new information in each iteration, due to which a significant disk I/O bandwidth is required by **disk**.

disk1:

CPU is bottleneck resource

Command used: top, iostat

top command showed 99.8% CPU usage by this process. iostat did not show significant change in disk I/O bandwidth when program was running and stopped.

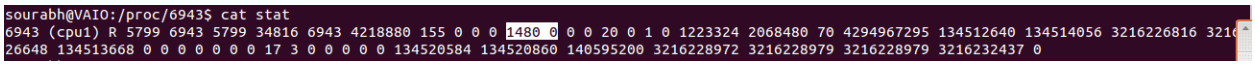
```
  PID USER      PR  NI    VIRT    RES    SHR S  %CPU %MEM     TIME+ COMMAND
 5760 utkarsh   20   0    4332   1320   1224 R  99.8  0.0   0:06.34 disk1
```

```
Device:            tps   kB_read/s    kB_wrtn/s    kB_read    kB_wrtn
sda               0.00         0.00         0.00          0          0

Device:            tps   kB_read/s    kB_wrtn/s    kB_read    kB_wrtn
sda               1.00         0.00        32.00          0         32

Device:            tps   kB_read/s    kB_wrtn/s    kB_read    kB_wrtn
sda               1.00         0.00         0.00          0          0
```

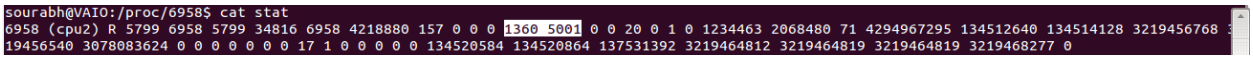
disk1 reads only 1 file “foo0.txt” which will be stored in main memory/cache after first iteration hence disk I/O is not the bottleneck in this case compared to **disk** program.

Q3.

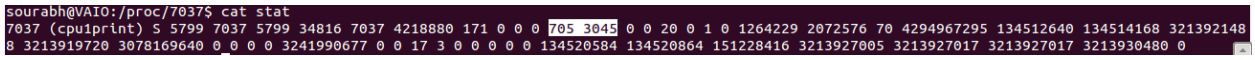
cpu1 spends very small(approx 0) amount of time in kernel mode as there is no *syscall* to make



cpu2 spends more time in kernel mode because of the *syscall* corresponding to the “gettimeoftheday()”



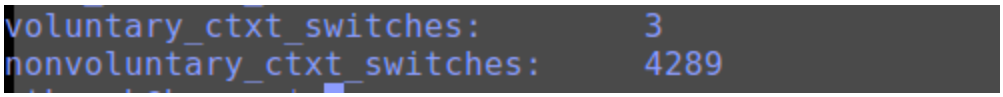
cpu1print spends considerably more amount of time in kernel mode because the printf() has several *syscalls* corresponding to printing out, clearing a buffer, etc.



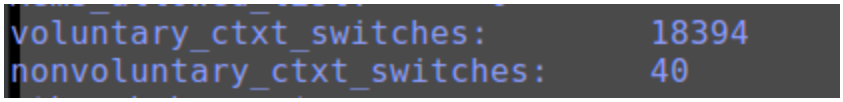
Fraction of time spend in kernel mode
cpu1print(~81%) > cpu2(~75%) > cpu1(~0%)

Q4.

Command used: cat /proc/<pid>/status
The ratio of voluntary to involuntary context switches is much higher for program **disk** compared to **cpu1,** in fact while running **disk** most of the context switches occurring are voluntary.



context switch data for program **cpu1**



context switch data for program **disk**

Since **disk** has a file read operation in every of its iteration, it has a lot of disk I/Os hence it is voluntarily switching the context. Contrary to this, **cpu1** only requires processor for the execution hence the number of voluntary switches are very less.