

Design Document - ASSIGNMENT 2 - Scheduling
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Changes made to FreeBSD source code

subr_param.c

added two new variables *priority_sched* and *splatter_sched*. These can be tuned to switch between the 4 cases. This way you can switch scheduling at runtime for easier testing and implementation. 0 means the mode is inactive and 1 means it is active. Switch between them using *sysctl*.

runq.h

added two new functions *runq_add_splatter()* and *add_priority()*. These are used to implement splatter and priority scheduling respectively

kern.switch.c

defined the two functions above. also added if statements to *runq_add()* and *runq_add_pri()* to implement priority scheduling if its on.

sched_ule.c

edited the function *tdq_add()* to call either *runq_add()* or *runq_add_splatter()* depending on which is needed. Also doesn't utilize splatter if its a kernel thread.

How Splatter Works

Splatter scheduling code looks almost the same as the regular *runq_add()* but instead of pulling priority from the thread it uses *rand()* to find its place in the array

How Priority Works

Threads are added to the TAILQ based on they're priority. I utilize the fact that freeBSD already takes from the head to minimize the amount of new code I needed to write