Shortest Remaining Time (SRT)



Table 9.4 Process Scheduling Example

| Process | Arrival Time | Service Time |
|---------|--------------|--------------|
| А | 0 | 3 |
| В | 2 | 6 |
| С | 4 | 4 |
| D | 6 | 5 |
| E | 8 | 2 |

- Preemptive version of shortest process next policy
- Must estimate processing time

Response Time and Ratio

- Response Ratio *R* is
 - total time spent waiting and executing normalized to the execution time
 - *w*: waiting time (waiting for a processor)
 - -s: expected service (execution) time

$$R = \frac{w + s}{s}$$

- Note: In scheduling theory response time is called flow time $F_i = C_i - r_i$

- i.e., completion time minus ready time
- this is the sum of waiting and processing times

Highest Response Ratio Next (HRRN)



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| Е | 8 | 2 | | |

• Choose next process with the greatest response ratio

Feedback

- SPN, SRT and HRRN require that something is known about the execution times
 - e.g., expected execution time
- Alternative policies
 - give preference to shorter tasks by penalizing tasks that have been running longer

Use multiple queues, pushing tasks to the next queue after each preemption





Feedback

- Potential problems
 - starvation
 - -low response times for longer tasks
 - -many solutions exists, e.g.,
 - use fixed quantum

-q=1

• use different quantum in consequent queues

 $-q = 2^i$ for queue *i*

- starvation still possible though
 - » solution: "promote" jobs to higher queue after some time



| | Selection | Decision | | Response | | Effect on | |
|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|-------------|---|------------|
| | Function | Mode | Throughput | Time | Overhead | Processes | Starvation |
| FCFS | max[w] | Nonpreemptive | Not emphasized | May be high, especially if there is a large variance in process execution times | Minimum | Penalizes short processes; penalizes I/O bound processes | No |
| Round Robin | constant | Preemptive (at time quantum) | May be low if quantum is too small | Provides good response time for short processes | Minimum | Fair treatment | No |
| SPN | min[s] | Nonpreemptive | High | Provides good response time for short processes | Can be high | Penalizes long processes | Possible |
| SRT | $\min[s-e]$ | Preemptive (at arrival) | High | Provides good response time | Can be high | Penalizes long processes | Possible |
| HRRN | $\max\left(\frac{w+s}{s}\right)$ | Nonpreemptive | High | Provides good response time | Can be high | Good balance | No |
| Feedback | (see text) | Preemptive (at time quantum) | Not emphasized | Not emphasized | Can be high | May favor I/O bound processes | Possible |

Table 9.3 Characteristics of Various Scheduling Policies

w = time spent waiting

e = time spent in execution so far

s = total service time required by the process, including e

Table 9.5 A Comparison of Scheduling Policies

| | Process | Α | В | С | D | Е | |
|--------------|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| | Arrival Time | 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | |
| | Service Time (T_s) | 3 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 2 | Mean |
| FCFS | Finish Time | 3 | 9 | 13 | 18 | 20 | |
| | Turnaround Time (T_r) | 3 | 7 | 9 | 12 | 12 | 8.60 |
| | T_r/T_s | 1.00 | 1.17 | 2.25 | 2.40 | 6.00 | 2.56 |
| RR $q = 1$ | Finish Time | 4 | 18 | 17 | 20 | 15 | |
| | Turnaround Time (T_r) | 4 | 16 | 13 | 14 | 7 | 10.80 |
| | T_r/T_s | 1.33 | 2.67 | 3.25 | 2.80 | 3.50 | 2.71 |
| RR $q = 4$ | Finish Time | 3 | 17 | 11 | 20 | 19 | |
| | Turnaround Time (T_r) | 3 | 15 | 7 | 14 | 11 | 10.00 |
| | T_r/T_s | 1.00 | 2.5 | 1.75 | 2.80 | 5.50 | 2.71 |
| SPN | Finish Time | 3 | 9 | 15 | 20 | 11 | |
| | Turnaround Time (T_r) | 3 | 7 | 11 | 14 | 3 | 7.60 |
| | T_r/T_s | 1.00 | 1.17 | 2.75 | 2.80 | 1.50 | 1.84 |
| SRT | Finish Time | 3 | 15 | 8 | 20 | 10 | |
| | Turnaround Time (T_r) | 3 | 13 | 4 | 14 | 2 | 7.20 |
| | T_r/T_s | 1.00 | 2.17 | 1.00 | 2.80 | 1.00 | 1.59 |
| HRRN | Finish Time | 3 | 9 | 13 | 20 | 15 | |
| | Turnaround Time (T_r) | 3 | 7 | 9 | 14 | 7 | 8.00 |
| | T_r/T_s | 1.00 | 1.17 | 2.25 | 2.80 | 3.5 | 2.14 |
| FB $q = 1$ | Finish Time | 4 | 20 | 16 | 19 | 11 | |
| | Turnaround Time (T_r) | 4 | 18 | 12 | 13 | 3 | 10.00 |
| | T_r/T_s | 1.33 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 2.60 | 1.5 | 2.29 |
| $FB q = 2^i$ | Finish Time | 4 | 17 | 18 | 20 | 14 | |
| | Turnaround Time (T_r) | 4 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 6 | 10.60 |
| | T_r/T_s | 1.33 | 2.50 | 3.50 | 2.80 | 3.00 | 2.63 |

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Table 9.6 Formulas for Single-Server Queues with Two Priority Categories





Percentile of time required

Figure 9.15 Simulation Results for Waiting Time

Fair-Share Scheduling

- All previous approaches treat collection of ready processes as single pool
- User's application runs as a collection of processes (threads)
 - concern about the performance of the application, not single process; (this changes the game)
 - need to make scheduling decisions based on process sets

Fair-Share Scheduling

- Philosophy can be extended to groups
 - -e.g. time-sharing system,
 - all users from one department treated as group
 - the performance of that group should not affect other groups significantly
 - e.g. as many people from the group log in performance degradation should be primarily felt in that group

Fair-Share Scheduling

- Fair share
 - each user is assigned a weight that corresponds to the fraction of total use of the resources
 - scheme should operate approximately linear
 - e.g. if user A has twice the weight of user B, then (in the long run), user A should do twice the work than B.

Traditional UNIX Scheduling

- Multilevel feedback using round robin within each of the priority queues
- If a running process does not block or complete within 1 second, it is preempted
- Priorities are recomputed once per second
- Base priority divides all processes into fixed *bands* of priority levels

Bands

- Decreasing order of priority
 - -Swapper
 - -Block I/O device control
 - -File manipulation
 - -Character I/O device control
 - -User processes