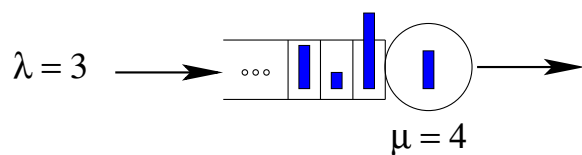


M/G/1 Model with 4 Categories of Scheduling Policies



	Non-Preemptive	Preemptive
Non-Size-Based		
Size/Class-Based		

Table 1: 4 quadrants

Question: Assume that S is continuous. Define these important quantities:

- (a) $\mathbf{E}[S]$
- (b) $\mathbf{E}[S^2]$
- (c) ρ

Non-Preemptive, Non-Size-Based scheduling policies

Question: Name and define some non-preemptive, non-size-based policies

Question: What did HW 5 teach us on how these compare wrt $\mathbf{E}[T_Q]$? $\mathbf{E}[T]$?

Question: What is some intuition behind this result?

Question: What's the problem with non-preemptive, non-size-based policies?

Non-preemptive Priority Scheduling

Question: When does non-preemptive priority come up?

MODEL:

- n priority classes.
- Class 1 has _____ priority. Class n has _____ priority.
Within a class serve jobs FCFS.
- Arrival rates: $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$
- Job size distributions: S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n

Question: What is ρ_i , the load made up of jobs of class i ?

Question: How do we denote the total load made up by classes 1 through k ?

Non-preemptive Priority Scheduling, cont.

Let $T_Q(k)^{\text{NP-Prio}}$ denote the queueing time for a job of class k .

Let $T(k)^{\text{NP-Prio}}$ denote the response time for a job of class k .

$$\mathbf{E}[T_Q(k)]^{\text{NP-Prio}} = \frac{\rho}{(1 - \sum_{i=1}^k \rho_i)(1 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \rho_i)} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{E}[S^2]}{2\mathbf{E}[S]}$$

Question: What is $\mathbf{E}[T_Q(1)]$? How does this compare with $\mathbf{E}[T_Q]^{\text{FCFS}}$?

Question: What is $\mathbf{E}[T_Q(n)]$? How does this compare with $\mathbf{E}[T_Q]^{\text{FCFS}}$?

Question: For smaller k , how does $\mathbf{E}[T_Q(k)]^{\text{NP-Prio}}$ compare with $\mathbf{E}[T_Q]^{\text{FCFS}}$?

Question: Why does $\mathbf{E}[T_Q(k)]$ still see full $\mathbf{E}[S^2]$?

Non-preemptive Shortest-Job-First (SJF)

Question: Define SJF

Question: Let ρ_x denote the load made up of jobs of size $\leq x$. What is ρ_x ?

Defn: $T_Q(x)^{\text{SJF}}$ is the queueing time for a job of size x

$$\mathbf{E}[T_Q(x)]^{\text{SJF}} = \frac{\rho}{(1 - \rho_x)^2} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{E}[S^2]}{2\mathbf{E}[S]}$$

Non-preemptive Shortest-Job-First (SJF), cont.

$$\mathbf{E}[T_Q(x)]^{\text{SJF}} = \frac{\rho}{(1 - \rho_x)^2} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{E}[S^2]}{2\mathbf{E}[S]}$$

Question: How does $\mathbf{E}[T_Q(x)]^{\text{SJF}}$ compare with $\mathbf{E}[T_Q(x)]^{\text{FCFS}}$ for small x ? How about large x ?

Question: What is $\mathbf{E}[T_Q]^{\text{SJF}}$? How do you expect it compares to $\mathbf{E}[T_Q]^{\text{FCFS}}$?

Question: Why is $\mathbf{E}[S^2]$ still there?

Preemptive policies

Question: Why do preemptive policies have lower response times than non-preemptive policies? Explain for PS and P-LCFS.

Question: In HW 5 we investigated preemptive policies, PS and P-LCFS. How did these compare? What was their response time?

$$\mathbf{E}[T]^{\text{PS}} =$$

$$\mathbf{E}[T]^{\text{P-LCFS}} =$$

Question: Let's look under the hood ...

Let $T(x)$ denote the response time for a job of size x .

$$\mathbf{E}[T(x)]^{\text{PS}} =$$

$$\mathbf{E}[T(x)]^{\text{P-LCFS}} =$$

Preemptive, Size-Based Scheduling

Fill in Picture: Response time as a function of load

Question: Can we possibly improve upon PS? What is there left to do?

Three preemptive size/class-based policies:

1. Preemptive Priorities
2. PSJF
3. SRPT

Preemptive Priorities

MODEL:

- n priority classes.
- Class 1 has _____ priority. Class n has _____ priority.
- Arrival rates: $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$
- Job size distributions: S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n
- $\rho_i =$ _____.
- Preempt-resume.

ANALYSIS:

Waiting Time: Time until job first starts serving

Residence Time: Time from when job first receives service until it departs

$$\mathbf{E}[T(k)]^{\text{P-Prio}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k \rho_i \frac{\mathbf{E}[S_i^2]}{2\mathbf{E}[S_i]}}{(1 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \rho_i)(1 - \sum_{i=1}^k \rho_i)} + \frac{\mathbf{E}[S_k]}{1 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \rho_i}$$

Question: How do waiting time and residence time compare under P-Prio and NP-Prio?

Preemptive Shortest Job First – PSJF

Question: Define PSJF. How does this differ from SJF?

Question: What is ρ_x ? Why is it relevant? Who is visible to a job of size x ?

ANALYSIS:

Waiting Time: Time until job first starts serving

Residence Time: Time from when job first receives service until it departs

$$\mathbf{E}[T(x)]^{\text{PSJF}} = \frac{\lambda \int_0^x t^2 f_S(t) dt}{2(1 - \rho_x)^2} + \frac{x}{1 - \rho_x}$$

Question: What is $\mathbf{E}[T]^{\text{PSJF}}$?

Question: Why should we expect that PSJF is superior to SJF?

SRPT

Question: Define SRPT. How does this differ from PSJF? How do we program SRPT?

ANALYSIS:

Waiting Time: Time until job first starts serving

Residence Time: Time from when job first receives service until it departs

$$\mathbf{E}[T(x)]^{\text{SRPT}} = \frac{\lambda \int_0^x t^2 f_S(t) dt + \lambda x^2 (\overline{F}_S(x))}{2(1 - \rho_x)^2} + \int_{t=0}^x \frac{dt}{1 - \rho_t}$$

Question: Compare the formulas for $\mathbf{E}[T]^{\text{PSJF}}$ and $\mathbf{E}[T]^{\text{SRPT}}$.

$$\mathbf{E}[T(x)]^{\text{PSJF}} = \frac{\lambda \int_0^x t^2 f_S(t) dt}{2(1 - \rho_x)^2} + \frac{x}{1 - \rho_x}$$

Theorem [Schrage 1966]: SRPT produces optimal mean response time for any arrival sequence (any arrival times, job sizes).

Comparison of policies

Here's what you can expect to see when the job size distribution, S , has high C_S^2 :

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Note: This shows $\mathbf{E}[T]$, but actually all moments of T are known (see textbook).

EXTRA: Scheduling and starvation

Question: What is starvation? Does it really exist?

Definition: $Slowdown(x) = \frac{T(x)}{x}$

Question: What is $\mathbf{E}[Slowdown(x)]^{\text{PS}}$?

Question: For policies which favor short jobs, what do you think $\mathbf{E}[Slowdown(x)]$ looks like as a function of x ?

The All-Can-Win-Theorem: If $\rho \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then for **all** job sizes x ,

$$\mathbf{E}[Slowdown(x)]^{\text{SRPT}} \leq \mathbf{E}[Slowdown(x)]^{\text{PS}} .$$

(Bansal and Harchol-Balter “Analysis of SRPT scheduling: Investigating unfairness” ACM SIGMETRICS 2001.)

EXTRA: Opt scheduling when we don't know job size

1. The FB policy – Optimal when job size distribution has DFR.
2. Shortest-Expected-Remaining-Processing-Time (SERPT) – Simple and almost always near optimal
Scully, Harchol-Balter, Scheller-Wolf “Simple near-optimal scheduling for the M/G/1” SIGMETRICS 2020.
3. Gittins Index Policy – Always optimal, but complex.
First exact analysis of both SERPT and Gittins: Scully, Harchol-Balter, Scheller-Wolf. “SOAP: One clean analysis of all age-based scheduling policies.” SIGMETRICS 2018.

EXTRA: Opt scheduling when jobs have value and size

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Question: What scheduling policy makes the most intuitive sense?

The $c\mu$ Rule

Real-world complications ...

Scully and Harchol-Balter. “The Gittins policy in the M/G/1 queue.” 19th International Symposium on Modeling and Optimization in Mobile, Ad hoc, and Wireless Networks 2021.

EXTRA: Scheduling when jobs have deadlines

Set up: Each job has a deadline. Job is worthless after its deadline.

Question: What's wrong with Earliest Deadline First?

Better idea: Drop-If-Hopeless (DIH)

Even better idea: Drop-The-Largest-Hopeless (DIH)

(see Discussion in Section 7.2 of this paper: Harchol-Balter. “Open problems in queueing theory inspired by datacenter computing.” *Queueing Systems*, vol. 97, no. 1, pp. 3-37, 2021.)