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Comp431

Midterm Exam

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(2)

[1] (a) Circle True or False. Explain your answer in less than 3 lines.

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- Each thread has its own stack.

1 pt for T, F  
1.5 pt for explanation

T  F

Each thread is a process (LWP) which has its own Registers set and stack, it shares with its peer threads computer resources

- Starvation implies deadlock.

T  F

In starvation the system is running normally but some processes are starving (waiting very long time).

But in deadlock, the system is blocked and processes are running

- Shortest Job First (SJF) is the "optimal" scheduling algorithm, but it is generally not implemented directly, due to excessive context switching overhead.

T  F

SJF is not implemented because there is no way to decide the next CPU burst duration.

- Using a smaller page size decreases the size of the page table.

T  F

smaller page size increases the size of the page table.

- 10(b) In a paging system, the page table is **kept in memory** with memory access 100 nans, How long the CPU needs to access an instruction?

we need two memory accesses .

11  $2 \times 100 = 200$  nans

If **associative registers** are added to the system with lookup time  $t = 5$  nans and the EAT for the instruction becomes 109 nans. Compute the hit ratio  $h$ .

$$EAT = (1-h) \times (200+5) + h \times (100+5)$$

$$109 = 205 - 205h + 105h$$

6  $109 = 205 - 100h$

$$100h = 96$$

$$h = 0.96$$

- 12(a) Briefly explain **deadlock prevention**?

Deadlock prevention is to make sure <sup>at least</sup> one of the 4 necessary conditions do not hold .

- 10 (1) Mutual Exclusion: some resources are mutually exclusive by nature & can't be shared (printer, tape)
- (2) Hold & wait: Give the process all its resources when it has none when the resources are available.
- (3) No preemption: If the process request a resource which is not available, it must release all instances of the resource
- (4) Circular wait: Apply some order of the resources, the process can request the resources in increasing order only .

(b) 4 processes  $P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4$  and 3 resource types  $R_1, R_2, R_3$ . All the available resources instances in the system are (3, 2, 2) units. A snap shot of the system looks like:

$P_1$  holds one unit of  $R_1$  and request one unit of  $R_2$ .

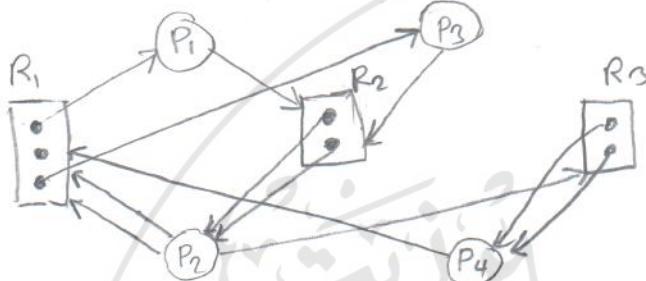
$P_2$  holds 2 unit of  $R_2$  and request 2 units of  $R_1$  and request one unit of  $R_3$ .

$P_3$  holds one unit of  $R_1$  and request one unit of  $R_2$ .

$P_4$  holds 2 unit of  $R_3$  and request one unit of  $R_1$ .

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- Compute the available resources vector after allocation.
- Compute the matrix Needs.
- Is the system is safe. Is there a deadlock. Show your work.



- Available Resources  $(1, 0, 0)$

- matrix Needs :

	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$
$P_1$	0	1	0
$P_2$	2	0	1
$P_3$	0	1	0
$P_4$	1	0	0

matrix Allocation

	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$
$P_1$	1	0	0
$P_2$	0	2	0
$P_3$	1	0	0
$P_4$	0	0	2

- No, it is not safe. There is no safe sequence.

$\leftarrow P_4,$

Available

1	0	0
1	0	2

[3] (a) What is the difference between the followings, give examples:

Best fit and best available fit in dynamic regions.

Best fit: Finds the smallest region to fit the job only.

Best available fit: If the smallest region that fits the job is not available, find any smallest region that fits

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- Internal and external fragmentation in fixed regions.

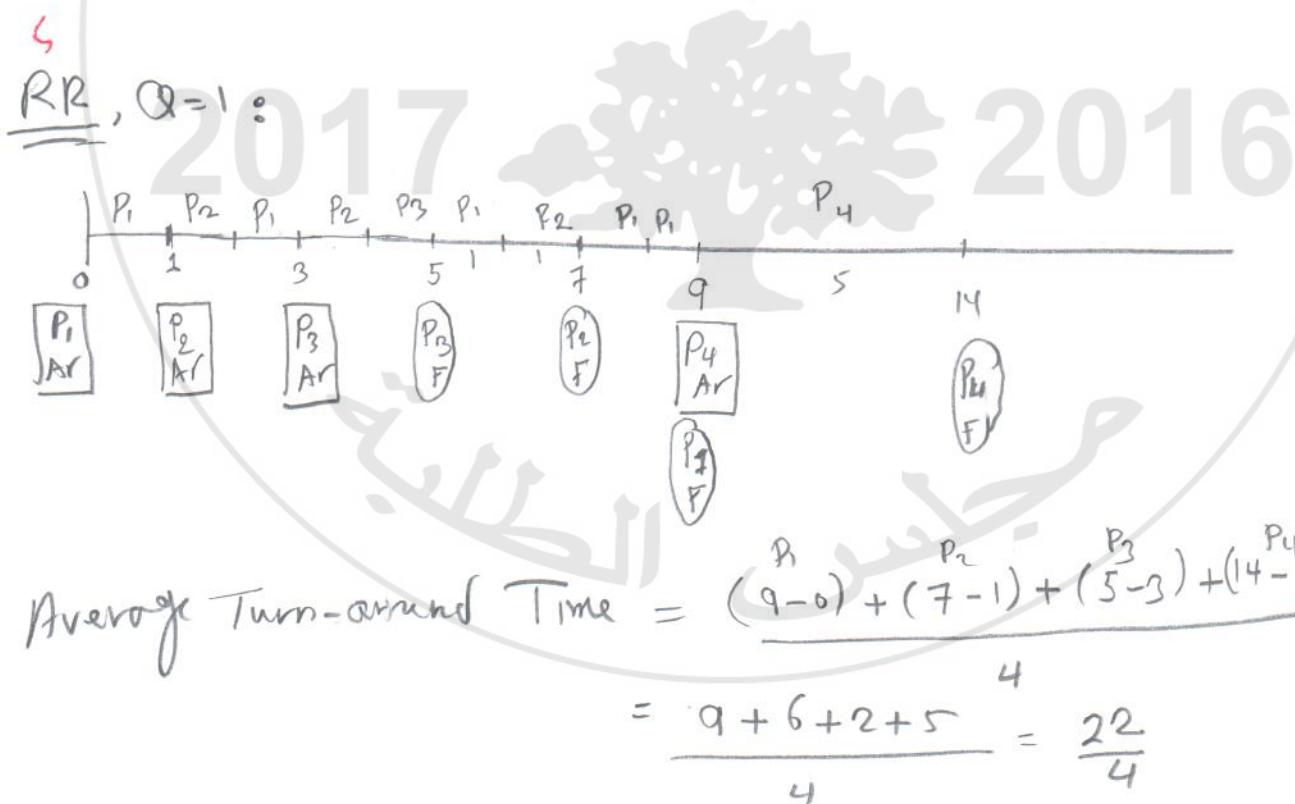
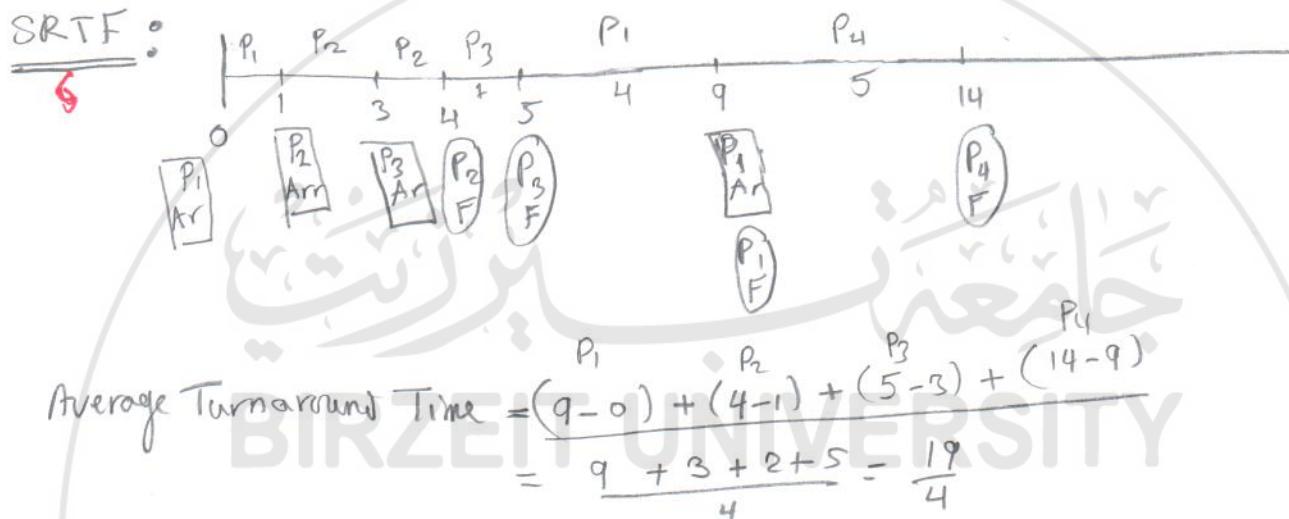
Internal fragmentation: The remaining unused space in the allocated fixed Region.

↳ External fragmentation: The unused fixed region which small that do not fit any job at this minute.

(b) Given the following ready queue.

process	Arrival Time	Burst Time	
p1	0	5	40
p2	1	3	10
p3	3	1	10
p4	9	5	10

Compute the average turnaround time for the SRTF and RR with Q=1.



[4] (a) Write down the code for `wait(S)`, declare any data you need. Show with an example why `wait(S)` must be executed **atomically**.

- `int S=1;`

`wait(S) : while (S<=0)`  
`do-nothing;`

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- If `wait(S)` is not executed atomically, say  $P_1$  &  $P_2$  executes `wait(S)` concurrently, that is,  
say,  $P_1$  executes  $S=S-1$ ,

$P_2$  executes  $S=S-1$  concurrently,

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Then both enter their critical region, which is a violation of mutual exclusion condition

(b) Given the following:

`boolean Flag[2];`  
`Flag[0]=Flag[1]=F;`

*Process( $p_i$ )*

*Repeat*

*While (Flag[(i+1)%2]==T)*

*Do-nothing;*

*Flag[i]=T;*

*Critical-section;*

*Flag[i]=F;*

*Remainder section;*

*Forever*

Do you think the above code solves the **critical section** problem requirements for **two** processes. Explain.

No, will not solve the problem.

1- Mutual Exclusion - not ok , Both execute the while statements & enter their critical section.

2- Progress - ok - No process will wait if critical section empty

3. Bounded waiting - ok. (one go each wait )

Q5] (a) If the LA is 24 bits long and given the LA = 0000 0000 0100 0001 0000 1010 , and page size = 8192 word, and given the page table , compute:  
 p and d without using the / and % operations.

$$P = 0000 \ 0000 \ 0100 = 2$$

$$d = 0 \ 0001 \ 0000 \ 1010 =$$

$$2^8 + 2^3 + 2^1 = 256 + 8 + 2$$

$$= 266$$

P → 2	0	10
	1	150
	2	110
	3	10
	4	.
	5	.
	6	100

b

- PA

$$\begin{aligned} PA &= \text{Page Size} \times F + D \\ &= 2^{13} \times 110 + 266 \\ &= 2 \times 110 + 266 \\ &= 901386 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Given the precedence graph:

Write an equivalent code using parbegin & parend

BEGIN

S<sub>0</sub>:

Parbegin  
 BEGIN  
 S<sub>1</sub>;  
 Parbegin  
 S<sub>2</sub>;  
 S<sub>3</sub>;  
 Paren

END

BEGIN

S<sub>4</sub>;  
 Parbegin  
 S<sub>5</sub>;  
 S<sub>6</sub>;  
 Paren;

END

END S<sub>7</sub> Paren

