Comparative performance analysis of optimized round robin scheduling (ORR) using dynamic time quantum with round robin scheduling using static time quantum in Real Time System

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Abstract:
One of major component of operating system is task scheduling for the optimum utilization of the resources. Round Robin had been an effective task scheduling method so far, but it has certain limitations. It uses static time quantum which sometimes leads to starvation. The proposed Optimised Round Robin is a modified version of the existing Round Robin scheduling which results in better average time and average turnaround time and overall increase in the performance. The comparative analysis is being done that indicates ORR gives improvement in the system performance.

Keywords: Task scheduling, Round Robin, dynamic time quantum, average waiting time, average turnaround time, context switching, Queue. The CPU scheduler picks the first process from the Ready Queue sets a timer to interrupt after one Time Quantum and dispatches the process. After TQ is expired, the CPU preempts the process and the process is added to the tail of the Circular Queue. If the process finishes before the end of the TQ, the process itself preempts the CPU willingly [1]. In this paper, we tried to solve the Time Quantum problem by adjusting the Time Quantum Dynamically with respect to the existed set of processes in Ready Queue

1. Introduction
An operating system is an interface between computer user and computer hardware. An Operating system is software which performs all the basic tasks like file management, memory management, process management, handling input and output, and controlling peripheral devices such as disk drives and printers. Modern operating system and multitasking environment are more complex, they have evolved from a single task to multitasking environment in which processes run in synchronized manner. Objective of multiprogramming is to maximize resource utilization, not possible to achieve without proper scheduling. All resources are scheduled before use. In a multiprocessing and multitasking environment if several processes are ready to run at the same time, the system must choose among them and assigned to run on the available CPUs, is called CPU scheduling. Allocating CPU to a process requires careful awareness to assure justice and avoid process starvation for CPU. Scheduling decision try to reduce the following: turnaround time, response time and average waiting time for processes and number of context switches.

CPU scheduling algorithm decides which of the processes in the Ready Queue (RQ) are to be allocated to the CPU. There are many different CPU scheduling algorithms used like FCFS, SJF, RR, Priority scheduling algorithm and Short Remaining Time Next (STRN) Remaining Time Next (STRN) algorithm. The processes are scheduled according to the given burst time, arrival time, time quantum and priority. Out of those algorithms, Round Robin (RR) is the oldest, simplest and most widely used proportional share scheduling algorithm. It is like FCFS scheduling, but preemption is added to switch between processes. In Round Robin algorithm a small unit of time slice are required which is called Time Quantum (TQ). The CPU scheduler goes around Ready Queue and allocates the CPU to each process by the help of Dispatcher for a time interval of up to 1 Time Quantum (TQ). If new process arrives then it is added to the tail of Circular Queue. The CPU scheduler picks the first process from the Ready Queue sets a timer to interrupt after one Time Quantum and dispatches the process. After TQ is expired, the CPU preempts the process and the process is added to the tail of the Circular Queue. If the process finishes before the end of the TQ, the process itself preempts the CPU willingly [1]. In this paper, we tried to solve the Time Quantum problem by adjusting the Time Quantum Dynamically with respect to the existed set of processes in Ready Queue

2. Preliminaries:
In round robin scheduling algorithm, a time quantum is assigned to each process that is static. The performance of RR algorithm depends heavily on the size of the time quantum. For smaller time quantum, the context switching is more and for larger time quantum, response time is more. Overall performance of RR may decrease for weak time quantum selection. Therefore, choice of an appropriate time quantum is necessary. Many researchers had tried to overcome these problems in real by giving their own methodologies. The recent studies made from references have shown that if dynamic time quantum is adapted, waiting time, turnaround time, context switches and throughput will be reduced to some larger extent instead of having fixed time quantum. [2] This algorithm improves the performance better than the priority based round robin scheduling.

3. Proposed Work:
The traditional round robin scheduling is an efficient scheduling method in terms of starvation and execution. In the proposed method, the process is sorted according to their arrival time. Queues are being formed based on the median and Quantum time value is calculated for each ready queue. Each time quantum is valid for each queue. The algorithm will calculate the time quantum value by calculating the mean of burst time of the processes present in ready queue.
\[ q = \frac{\sum B_i}{T_i} \]

where \( q \) is the time quantum and \( B_i \) is the burst time of task \( T_i \) present in Queue.

**A. ALGORITHM**

Considering that this Optimised round robin scheduling (TARR) considers that processes are arriving at different instances. The steps of algorithm are showing below —

**Step 1:** Initialization

\( P_i \) // Process number

\( A_i \) // Arrival time of processes

\( B_i \) // Burst time of processed

**Step 2:** Sort submitted tasks, \( T_i \), \( i = 1, 2, \ldots \), according to their Burst time \( B_i \).

**Step 3:** Compute the median by taking the Burst time \( B_i \) of all the process \( P_i \).

**Step 4:** If a burst time \( B_i \) of a Process \( P_i \), \( i \) is less than or equal to the median, insert \( P_i \) into a Q1 otherwise insert \( P_i \) into Q2.

**Step 5:** The quantum of \( (q_i) \) is calculated by calculating the average of all burst times in the queue. (whether it is from Q1 or Q2)

**Step 6:** In case of the of a new task arrival or a task is finished \( q_i \) will be updated dynamically.

**Step 7:** If Q1 AND Q2 empty, Terminate.

3 Analysis

To evaluate the efficiency of the suggested algorithm, let us consider some cases. The performance of ORR has been stimulated along with the traditional RR in the below cases considering the arrival time and burst time.

**Case 1:** Taking five processes P, Q, R, S and T of varying burst times, arriving at the same time, as shown in table 1.1 below. The order of execution for both the algorithms is shown, and the outcome is collated in table 1.2.

| Processes | Burst time | Arrival time |
|-----------|------------|--------------|
| P         | 11         | 0            |
| Q         | 24         | 0            |
| R         | 37         | 0            |
| S         | 52         | 0            |
| T         | 71         | 0            |

Table 1.1. Process with Burst Time and Arrival time

| Model | Context | Average Waiting time | Average Turnaround time |
|-------|---------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| RR    | 12      | 76.400000             | 115.400000              |
| ORR   | 4       | 48.400000             | 87.400000               |

Table 1.2. Comparison between RR & ORR algorithm

**Case 2:** Now let us consider another set of processes as given below and compare the test results.

| Processes | Burst time | Arrival time |
|-----------|------------|--------------|
| P         | 21         | 0            |
| Q         | 34         | 0            |
| R         | 47         | 0            |
| S         | 62         | 0            |
| T         | 81         | 0            |

Table 2.1. Process with Burst Time and Arrival time

| Model | Context | Average Waiting time | Average Turnaround time |
|-------|---------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| RR    | 14      | 128.4                 | 173.4                   |
| ORR   | 4       | 68.4                  | 117.4                   |

Table 2.2. Comparison between RR & ORR algorithm

**Case 3:** Now let us consider another set of processes as given below and compare the test results.

| Processes | Burst time | Arrival time |
|-----------|------------|--------------|
| P         | 6          | 0            |
Table 3.1. Process with Burst Time and Arrival time

| Processes | Burst time | Arrival time |
|-----------|------------|--------------|
| P         | 14         | 0            |
| Q         | 25         | 9            |
| R         | 35         | 11           |
| S         | 47         | 14           |
| T         | 62         | 18           |

Table 3.2. Comparison between RR & ORR algorithm

| Model   | Context Switches | Average Waiting time | Average Turnaround time |
|---------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| RR      | 9                | 58.400000            | 88.400000               |
| ORR     | 4                | 38.400000            | 72.400000               |

Case 4: Now let us consider another set of processes as given below and compare the test results.

| Processes | Burst time | Arrival time |
|-----------|------------|--------------|
| P         | 14         | 0            |
| Q         | 25         | 9            |
| R         | 35         | 11           |
| S         | 47         | 14           |
| T         | 62         | 18           |

Case 4: Now let us consider another set of processes as given below and compare the test results.

| Model   | Context Switches | Average Waiting time | Average Turnaround time |
|---------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| RR      | 9                | 49.200000            | 83.800000               |
| ORR     | 5                | 39.200000            | 75.800000               |

4. Conclusion
We have successfully compared the Round Robin (RR) algorithm and the optimized RR algorithm and derived a conclusion that the proposed algorithm is effective in terms of context switches, throughput, average turnaround time and waiting time which in turn increase the overall performance. Using this algorithm, the performance of time-sharing systems can be enhanced, and further modifications can be done to amplify the performance of a multiprogramming operating system and real-time systems. For the future perspective, this paper might help in enhancing the algorithm for much better results.

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