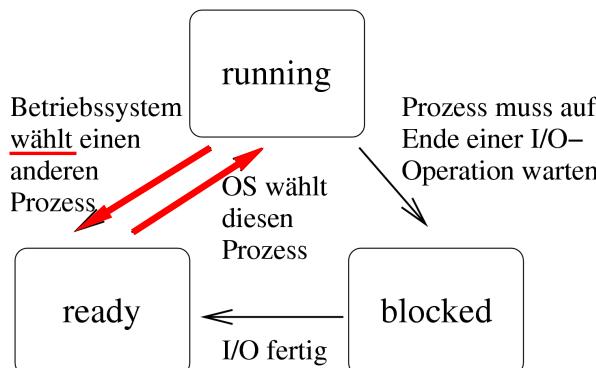




# Scheduling (1)

## Pick a process to run

## State transitions



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# Introduction

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Sep 25 15:25:33 am644 aschd[12930]: Accepted rra for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 62778

# Scheduling – what is it about?

- Multitasking: Several processes compete for resources
- OS manages resources
- Computing time (using the processor)
- Scheduler decides:  
Execute which process when?
- Order of execution relevant for overall performance of operating system

# Scheduling – what is it about?

## When does the scheduler run?

- new process creation (fork)
- active process blocks (I/O operation)
- blocked process becomes ready
- active process terminates (exit)
- process has computed for too long
- interrupt occurs

# Preemptive Scheduling

## process preemption possible?

### • cooperative scheduling:

- process computes as long as it wants to; until the next I/O operation or `exit()`
- Scheduler only active when process blocks or gives up CPU on its own: `schedule()`

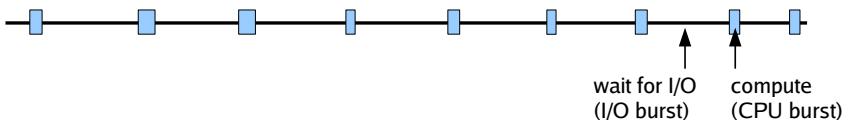
### • preemptive scheduling:

- Timer regularly activates scheduler which decides what process can continue

# Processes: I/O or CPU bound

## I/O bound:

- process has only short compute bursts (CPU) between I/O bursts



## CPU bound:

- process has long CPU bursts between I/O bursts



# Frequent context switches?

## Factors

- **Time needed for context switch:** scheduler needs time to save process state  
→ lost compute time
- **processes' waiting time:** frequent switches create stronger impression of parallelism

# Goals of Scheduling (2)

## From system (administrator)'s perspective

- **[S1] Throughput:** number of processes completing (per unit of time)
- **[S2] Processor utilization:** time (in %) in which the processor was busy
- **[S3] Fairness:** Treat processes as equals, no "process starvation"
- **[S4] Priorities** should be enforced
- **[S5] Resources** should be balanced

# Goals of Scheduling (1)

## From users' perspective

- **[A1] Turnaround time:** How long from start to end of process?
- **[A2] Response time:** How quickly does the process respond to interaction?
- **[A3] Deadlines** must be met
- **[A4] Predictability:** similar jobs should behave similarly. No variation in response / turnaround time
- **[A5] Proportionality:** „simple things“ are quick

# [A1] Turnaround time

## How much time passed between starting and completion of a process?

- $n$  processes  $p_1$  bis  $p_n$  start at time  $t_0$  and complete at times  $t_1$  bis  $t_n$
- average execution time:  
$$1/n * \sum_i (t_i - t_0)$$
- depends on specific set of processes; calculation only makes sense in order to compare scheduling algorithms

## [A2] Response time

**How quickly does the system react to user interactions?**

- user presses key, clicks mouse etc. and waits for a reaction
- How much time passed between causing the interrupt and activating the process which will handle the input?
- low tolerance towards long waiting times; 2-4 seconds critical, more is unacceptable

## [A4] Predictability

**Similar processes show similar behavior?**

- intuitively: similar process should behave similarly, i. e.
- turnaround and response time always similar
- independent from the system's state
- difficult if system allows arbitrarily many processes → limitations?

## [A3] Deadlines

**Does the system meet deadlines?**

- realtime systems: special needs
- processes must finish tasks in given times, so they need sufficient compute time and they need it in time
- How often are deadlines missed?
- maximize percentage of deadlines met

## [A5] Proportionality

**Things that seem „simple“ are handled quickly**

- Users have a (possibly false) picture of how some technical things work
- Users are more likely to accept waiting time, when he believes that the process is complex

## [S1] Throughput

### Terminating processes

- # of processes that finish per unit of time (e. g. per hour) should be high
- measures how much work is getting done
- depends on specific set of processes; calculation only make sense in order to compare several scheduling algorithms

## [S3] Fairness

### All processes have equal chances (to run)

- Each process should eventually become active (no process starvation)
- No big variance in waiting times and turnaround times
- If we have process priorities:  
→ „some are more equal“

## [S2] Processor Utilization

### Always keep the CPU busy

- percentage of CPU cycles in which the CPU was not idle (but busy)
- Interesting factor when compute time is very expensive (commercial data center)

## [S4] Priorities

### Treat more or less important processes accordingly

- priority classes: processes with high priority are favored by scheduler
- avoid situation in which low priority processes never run (because there is always a high priority process)

## [S5] Balance Resources

„OS manages the resources“

- basic concept of OS: give uniform access to all resources and keep them busy
- CPU scheduler influences (non-) uniform utilization of I/O devices
- prefer processes that want to use resources which are currently idle

## Requirements on the Operating System (2)

Batch processing

- S3 Fairness
- S4 Priorities
- S5 Balance resources
- S1 Throughput
- A1 Turnaround time
- S2 Processor utilization

## Requirements on the Operating System (1)

Drei Kategorien

- Batch processing
- Interactive system
- Real time system

Immer wichtig:

- S3 Fairness
- S4 Priorities
- S5 Balance resources

## Requirements on the Operating System (3)

Interaktives System

- S3 Fairness
- S4 Priorities
- S5 Balance resources
- A2 Response time
- A5 Proportionality

# Requirements on the Operating System (4)

## Echtzeitsystem

- S3 Fairness
- S4 Priorities
- S5 Balance resources
- A3 Deadlines
- A4 Predictability

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## Practice: Linux

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Sep 19 14:20:18 amd64 sabd1[20494]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 61557
Sep 19 14:27:41 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 20 01:00:01 amd64 /usr/sbin/cron[29278]: (root) CMD (/sbin/evlogmgr -c "severity=DEBUG")
Sep 20 01:00:01 amd64 /usr/sbin/cron[101031]: (root) CMD (/sbin/evlogmgr -c 'age > *30d*')
Sep 20 02:00:01 amd64 sabd4 [6156]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 62004
Sep 20 12:46:44 amd64 sabd[6156]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 20 12:48:01 amd64 sabd4 [6156]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 62105
Sep 20 12:54:44 amd64 sabd[6694]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 62514
Sep 20 15:27:35 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 20 15:27:35 amd64 syslogd[7653]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 64242
Sep 20 16:38:10 amd64 sabd1[10140]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 63375
Sep 20 16:38:10 amd64 sabd1[10140]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 63546
Sep 21 01:00:01 amd64 /usr/sbin/cron[170555]: (root) CMD (/sbin/evlogmgr -c "severity=DEBUG")
Sep 21 01:00:01 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 21 01:00:01 amd64 /usr/sbin/cron[170555]: (root) CMD (/sbin/evlogmgr -c 'age > *30d*')
Sep 21 02:00:01 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 21 17:43:26 amd64 sabd[110881]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 63397
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Sep 22 02:00:01 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 22 20:23:21 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
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Sep 23 02:00:01 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 23 02:00:01 amd64 syslogd[7653]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 61330
Sep 23 18:04:05 amd64 sabd[65536]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 61683
Sep 23 18:04:05 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 24 01:00:01 amd64 /usr/sbin/cron[124364]: (root) CMD (/sbin/evlogmgr -c "severity=DEBUG")
Sep 24 01:00:01 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 24 02:00:01 amd64 /usr/sbin/cron[132531]: (root) CMD (/sbin/evlogmgr -c 'age > *30d*')
Sep 24 02:00:01 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 24 13:49:48 amd64 sabd[231971]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 64456
Sep 24 13:49:48 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
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Sep 24 13:49:48 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 24 15:42:07 amd64 kernel: snd_seq_oss: event unsupported module, tainting kernel.
Sep 24 15:42:07 amd64 kernel: snd_seq_oss: unsupported module, tainting kernel.
Sep 24 20:25:31 amd64 sabd[293991]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 62566
Sep 24 20:25:31 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 25 01:00:02 amd64 /usr/sbin/cron[14841]: (root) CMD (/sbin/evlogmgr -c "severity=DEBUG")
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Sep 25 10:59:25 amd64 sabd[8889]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 64253
Sep 25 10:59:47 amd64 sabd[89211]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 64253
Sep 25 11:30:02 amd64 sabd[9372]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 62029
Sep 25 11:59:25 amd64 syslogd[7653]: STATS: dropped 0
Sep 25 11:59:25 amd64 sabd[11586]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 62822
Sep 25 14:05:37 amd64 sabd[11586]: STATS: dropped 0
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Sep 25 14:06:10 amd64 sabd[11608]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 63392
Sep 25 14:07:17 amd64 sabd[11630]: Accepted raa for esser from ::ffff:87.234.201.207 port 63709
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## Types of Scheduling

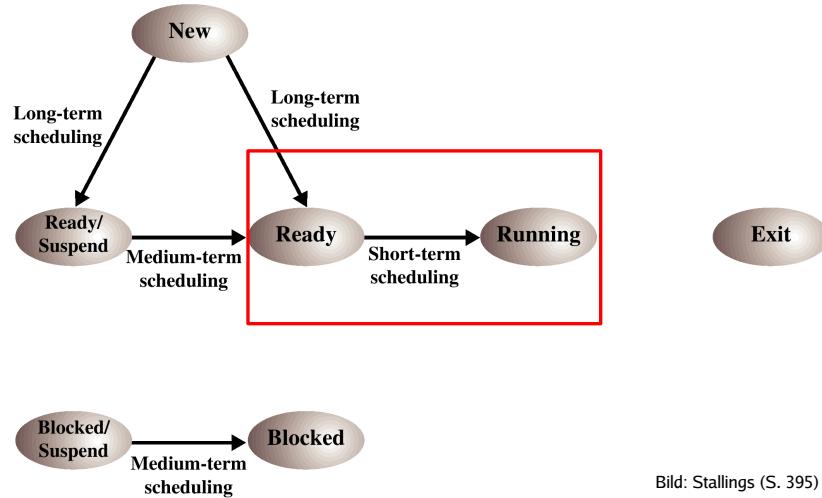


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## Linux: nice & renice (1)

### Influence Linux scheduler:

- nice, increase nice value, or decrease it as system administrator (when starting a program)
- ranges from +19 (very nice) to -20, default: 0
- renice, change nice value of active program
- Nice value is (just) one component of priority, that the scheduler considers
- only root can decrease a nice value

## Linux: nice & renice (2)

```
$ nice -10 ./calculate      $ nice -n 10 ...  
  
# nice --10 ./important     # nice -n -10 ...  
  
$ pidof nedit  
26980  
$ renice 19 26980  
26980: Old priority 0, new priority 19  
$ renice 0 26980  
renice: 26980: setpriority: Permission denied  
# renice -20 26980  
26980: Old priority 19, new priority -20
```

## Linux: nice values in process list

| Name        | PID   | GID  | Status | Nutzer % | System % | Priorität | Vm-Größe | VmRss | Benutzer | Befehl       |
|-------------|-------|------|--------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-------|----------|--------------|
| aio/0       | 128   | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| cqueue/0    | 334   | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| events/0    | 3     | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| kacpid      | 8     | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| kauditd     | 2988  | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| kblockd/0   | 7     | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| khelper     | 4     | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| khubd       | 1365  | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| kpsmoused   | 371   | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| kseriod     | 335   | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| kthread     | 5     | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| reiserfs/0  | 1924  | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| rpciod/0    | 17370 | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| scsi_eh_0   | 1796  | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| usb-storage | 1797  | 0    | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -5        | 0        | 12    | root     |              |
| udevd       | 873   | 873  | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -4        | 1 860    | 352   | root     | /sbin/udevd  |
| audtid      | 2986  | 2986 | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | -3        | 9 860    | 368   | root     | /sbin/audtid |
| acpid       | 2254  | 2254 | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | 0         | 1 516    | 360   | root     | /sbin/acpid  |
| bash        | 3910  | 3910 | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | 0         | 4 420    | 588   | esser    | /bin/bash    |
| bash        | 3912  | 3912 | Ruht   | 0,00     | 0,00     | 0         | 4 424    | 584   | esser    | /bin/bash    |