**COSC 3360 Operating Systems - Spring 2024**

**Assignment 1 - Deadlock Avoidance with Banker's Algorithm**

**plus EDF (LJF-Tie-Breaker) and LLF (SJF-Tie-Breaker) Scheduling**

**Due Date: Monday, April 1, 2024, 11:59pm CDT**

In this assignment, you will implement an important component of the Process Manager: the Banker’s deadlock avoidance algorithm to avoid deadlocks in a Unix/Linux system. Part of the assignment requires the manipulation of Unix/Linux processes and part of it consists of simulation. Both the deadlock-handling process and the processes requesting resources are real Unix/Linux processes created using fork(). Unix/Linux semaphores and pipes must be used.

The input format is as follows. The first two lines contain integers m and n, followed by m integers and then by n \* m integers. An alternate input format is for the m integers to be listed, separated by space or a comma, in a single line; and the n \* m integers appear in an adjacency matrix form. Next, the instructions for each of the n processes are given.

m /\* number of resources \*/

n /\* number of processes \*/

available[1] = number of instances of resource 1

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available[m] = number of instances of resource m

max[1,1] = maximum demand for resource 1 by process 1

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max[n,m] = maximum demand for resource m by process n

process\_1:

deadline\_1 /\* an integer, must be >= computation time \*/

computation\_time\_1 /\* an integer, equal to number of requests and releases \*/

: /\* plus the parenthesized values in the calculate and \*/

: /\* use\_resources instructions. \*/

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calculate(2); /\* calculate without using resources \*/

calculate(1);

request(0,1,0,...,2); /\* request vector, m integers \*/

use\_resources(4,1); /\* use allocated resources \*/

calculate(3);

use\_resources(6,2); /\* use allocated resources \*/

print\_resources\_used; /\* print process number and current master string \*/

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release(0,1,0,...,1); /\* release vector, m integers \*/

calculate(3);

:

request(1,0,3,...,1); /\* request vector, m integers \*/

use\_resources(5,1);

:

print\_resources\_used; /\* print process number and current master string \*/

end.

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process\_n:

deadline\_n /\* an integer \*/

computation\_time\_n /\* an integer, equal to number of requests and releases \*/

: /\* plus the parenthesized values in the calculate and \*/

: /\* use\_resources instructions. \*/

:

calculate(3); /\* calculate without using resources \*/

:

request(0,2,0,...,2); /\* request vector, m integers \*/

use\_resources(2,3); /\* use allocated resources \*/

use\_resources(5,1);

print\_resources\_used; /\* print process number and current master string \*/

use\_resources(3,1);

:

release(0,1,0,...,2); /\* release vector, m integers \*/

calculate(4);

calculate(5);

:

request(1,0,3,...,1); /\* request vector, m integers \*/

use\_resources(8,2);

print\_resources\_used; /\* print process number and current master string \*/

calculate(3);

:

print\_resources\_used; /\* print process number and current master string \*/

end.

Each resource consists of an English word (a string of characters) indicating an entity, item, food type, etc., followed by a list of resource instances (brands, actual item, etc.) consisting of English words to be read from a second input file or from standard input (stdin). For example, there are 5 resources (types): hotel, fruit, car, tool, and vegetable, with 6, 8, 7, 5, and 8 instances, respectively. Note that the names of the instances of each resource (type) are different, but they are instances of the same resource (type). When a process requests x instances of a resource, any x instances of this resource are acceptable. To ensure that resource instances are allocated mutually exclusively (one instance can only be allocated to one process), you will need Unix/Linux semaphores. The input file for this example is:

R1: hotel: Hilton, Marriott, Omni, Intercontinental, Westin, Sheraton

R2: fruit: orange, mango, pear, apple, lemon, banana, watermelon, guava

R3: car: Ford, Mercedes, BMW, Chrysler, Volvo, Porsche, Ferrari

R4: tool: screwdriver, drill, wrench, plier, hammer

R5: vegetable: lettuce, celery, broccoli, tomato, spinach, carrot, potato, onion

The main process executes the Banker's algorithm (OS 6360 Lecture 9). The resource-requesting processes are required to make requests by communicating with the deadlock-handling main process via Unix/Linux pipes.

The deadlock-handling process chooses the next process with a resource request having the nearest absolute deadline to be serviced, that is, using EDF (Earliest Deadline First). Ties are broken in favor of the process with the longest remaining execution time (Longest Job First - LJF). After having one request serviced, a process has to allow another process to make a request before making another one, that is, another process with the nearest absolute deadline is chosen for service. A process can also release resources during its execution, and releases all resources held when it terminates.

Associated with each process is also a relative deadline (that is, the deadline from the current time instant). One time unit is needed for servicing each request (whether the resource is allocated or not), so the relative deadline for each process is decreased by 1 whether it is serviced or not. If the resource is allocated for a request, then the computation time of this

process decreases by 1; otherwise, the computation time remains the same. If a process misses its deadline, keep servicing its requests but indicate the deadline miss in the output.

A `release' instruction also needs 1 unit of computation time just like a request.

A `calculate' instruction does not use resources and its computation time is indicated in parentheses. A `use\_resources(x,y)' instruction with two parameters ``uses'' the allocated resources by inserting y times the English words found within each resource (type) in the master string while maintaining the words alphabetically sorted, and its computation time is indicated by x. The master string in each process is initially empty. Duplicated words should be removed while indicating the number of each repeated word (making it plural) in English. The names of the resources (types) also need to be sorted alphabetically, and the names of the instances are sorted within each resource (type). The computation time of this instruction is indicated in parentheses.

The `end’ command should release any allocated resources and stop the execution of the relevant process. The `end’ command does not take any computation time.

For output, print the state of the system after servicing each request: the arrays available, allocation, need, and deadline misses, if any. Also, print the process number and its current master string whenever the `print\_resources\_used' instruction is executed, which takes 1 unit of computation time. Note that the `print\_resources\_used' instruction may appear multiple

times in a process code and not only at the end. You may print additional information that is useful.

Next, let's try LLF (Least Laxity First) with shortest remaining execution time (Shortest Job First - SJF) tie breaker in the second version of your algorithm. Thus the deadlock-handling process chooses the next process with the smallest laxity to be serviced. Ties are broken in favor of the process with the shortest remaining execution time. After having one request serviced, a process has to allow another process to make a request before making another one, that is, another process with the highest priority according to LLF is chosen for service.

Therefore, this project has two sets of output corresponding to two different schedulers (EDF and LLF). To ensure ease of grading, one run of your program should produce two sets of output corresponding to the EDF and LLF schedulers automatically. Please indicate how to run your program on page 1 of your submitted file via Canvas as a comment. Keep executing processes until they finish even if they have already missed their deadlines. Which scheduling technique yields fewer deadline misses?

Your grade will be based on correctness and adherence to the assignment specification (80%), efficiency (15%), and documentation (5%). Documentation includes providing short explanations of key steps as comments.

**Sample input files:**

sample.txt

1

2

available[1]=3

max[1,1]=3

max[2,1]=2

process\_1:

12

8

calculate(1);

request(1);

use\_resources(1,1);

request(2);

use\_resources(1,1);

release(2);

release(1);

print\_resources\_used;

end.

process\_2:

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calculate(2);

request(2);

use\_resources(1,1);

calculate(1);

release(2);

print\_resources\_used;

end.

sample\_matrix.txt

1

2

3

3

2

process\_1:

12

8

calculate(1);

request(1);

use\_resources(1,1);

request(2);

use\_resources(1,1);

release(2);

release(1);

print\_resources\_used;

end.

process\_2:

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calculate(2);

request(2);

use\_resources(1,1);

calculate(1);

release(2);

print\_resources\_used;

end.

sample\_words.txt

R1: Food: Pizza, Pineapple, Cereal