Operating Systems

In-Class Problems: twothreads

Suppose that there are two threads in a system that uses preemptive round-robin scheduling with a scheduling quantum of Q milliseconds. The system has a single processor. Each thread runs a function which behaves as follows

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for i from 1 to N do compute for C milliseconds sleep for S milliseconds end
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At the end of its for loop, a thread is finished and it exits. During the "compute" part of each iteration, a thread is runnable (running or ready to run). During the "sleep" part of each of its iterations, a thread is blocked. For both parts of this question assume that C < Q and C < S.

a. First, assume that C < S and C < Q. Suppose that both of the threads are created at time t = 0. At what time will both of the threads be finished? Answer in terms of Q, N, C, and S, as necessary.

b. Answer the same question, but this time assume that S < C < Q.