

# PROCESS



#### **DEFINITION**

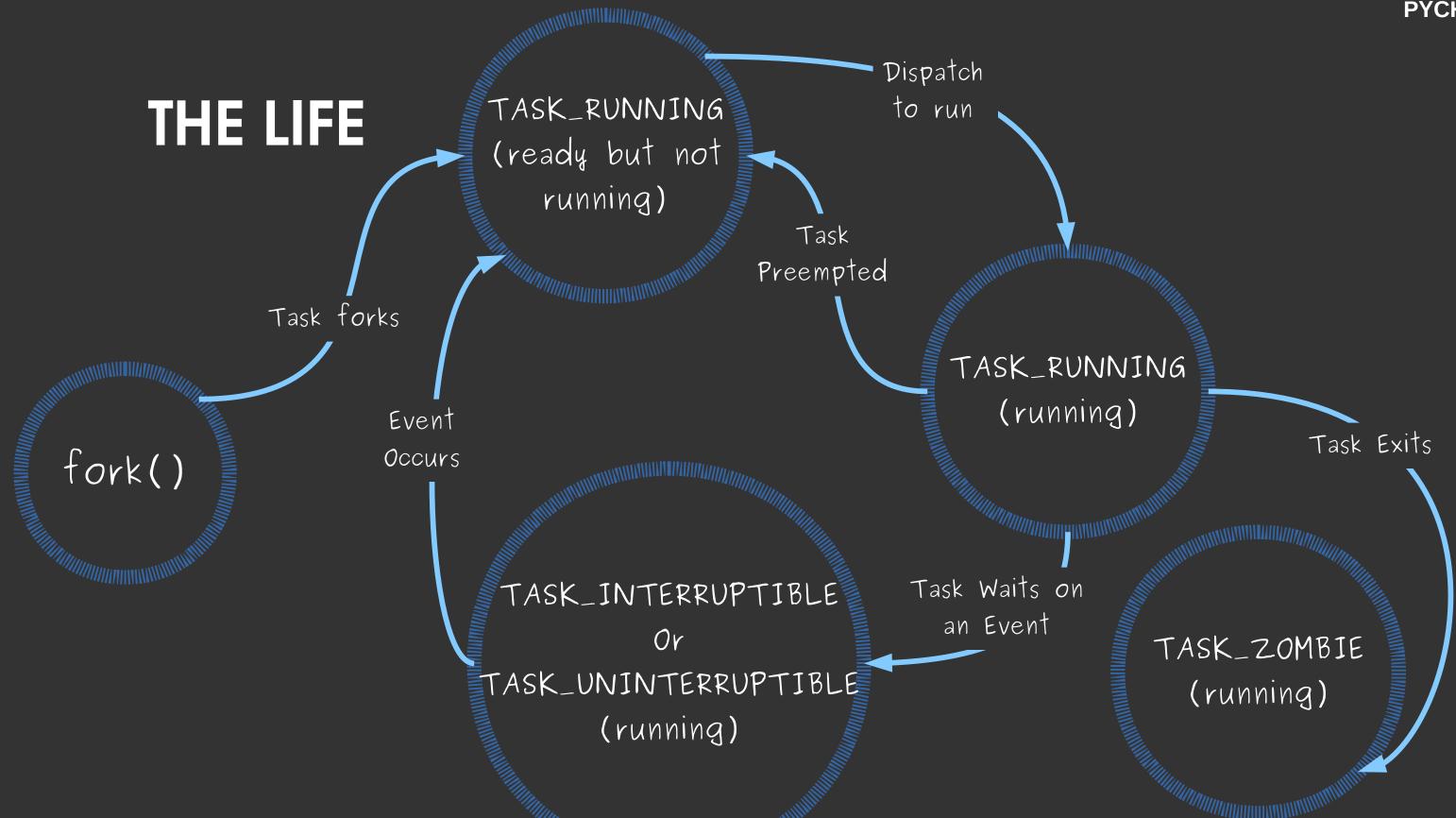
A running instance of a program is called a process.



### THE FORK

fork() creates a new process by duplicating the calling process. The new process, referred to as the child, is an exact duplicate of the calling process, referred to as the parent, except for the following points . . .







#### THE PIECES

Memory

The program code, heap, stack, global variables.

Signal Handlers

Software interrupts, SIG\*, signal handlers, SIGKILL, SIGSTOP.

File Descriptor Table

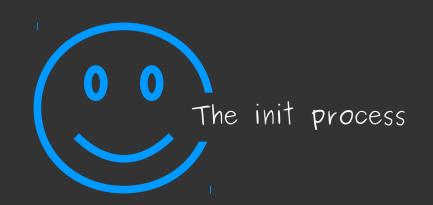
stdin, stdout, stderr, open files

Environment Variables

Getenv, setenv, parent environment



#### THE RELATION













































## THE DAEMON



Always attached to the init process...

... yeah mostly!

Always runs in the background



#### THE PYCH

To learn about the Python way of Creating Processes,
Daemons, and Managing them.