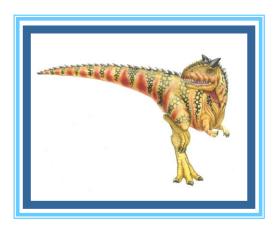
# **Chapter 3: Processes**





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**Process Concept** 

**Process Scheduling** 

Operations on Processes

Interprocess Communication

Examples of IPC Systems

Communication in Client-Server Systems





# **Objectives**

To introduce the notion of a process -- a program in execution, which forms the basis of all computation

To describe the various features of processes, including scheduling, creation and termination, and communication

To explore interprocess communication using shared memory and message passing

To describe communication in client-server systems





# **Process Concept**

An operating system executes a variety of programs:

Batch system – jobs

Time-shared systems – user programs or tasks

Textbook uses the terms **job** and **process** almost interchangeably

Process – a program in execution; process execution must progress in sequential fashion

Multiple parts

The program code, also called text section

Current activity including program counter, processor registers

Stack containing temporary data

Function parameters, return addresses, local variables

Data section containing global variables

Heap containing memory dynamically allocated during run time



# **Process Concept (Cont.)**

Program is *passive* entity stored on disk (executable file), process is *active* 

Program becomes process when executable file loaded into memory

Execution of program started via GUI mouse clicks, command line entry of its name, etc

One program can be several processes

Consider multiple users executing the same program





```
#include "stdafx.h"
 int x;
 int y = 1;
□ int _tmain(int argc, _TCHAR* argv[])
     int z;
     int *h = new int[100];
     printf("main => %p\n", _tmain);
     printf("x => %p\n", &x);
     printf("y => %p\n", &y);
     printf("z \Rightarrow %p\n", &z);
     printf("h is %p\n", h);
     getchar();
     return 0;
```





```
3:
     4: #include "stdafx.h"
     6: int x;
     7: int y = 1;
     8:
    10: int tmain(int argc, TCHAR* argv[])
    11: {
000007F7FB402E50 48 89 54 24 10
                                                   gword ptr [rsp+10h],rdx
                                      mov
                                                   dword ptr [rsp+8],ecx
000007F7FB402E55 89 4C 24 08
                                      mov
000007F7FB402E59 57
                                                   rdi
                                      push
000007F7FB402E5A 48 83 EC 50
                                      sub
                                                   rsp,50h
000007F7FB402E5E 48 8B FC
                                                   rdi, rsp
                                      mov
000007F7FB402E61 B9 14 00 00 00
                                                   ecx,14h
                                      mov
000007F7FB402E66 B8 CC CC CC CC
                                                   eax,0CCCCCCCCh
                                      mov
000007F7FB402E6B F3 AB
                                                   dword ptr [rdi]
                                      rep stos
000007F7FB402E6D 8B 4C 24 60
                                                   ecx, dword ptr [rsp+60h]
                                      mov
    12:
            int z;
            int *h = new int[100];
000007F7FB402E71 B9 90 01 00 00
                                                  ecx,190h
                                      mov
000007F7FB402E76 E8 DB E2 FF FF
                                      call
                                                   operator new (7F7FB401156h)
000007F7FB402E7B 48 89 44 24 40
                                                   gword ptr [rsp+40h],rax
                                      mov
000007F7FB402E80 48 8B 44 24 40
                                                   rax, gword ptr [rsp+40h]
                                      mov
000007F7FB402E85 48 89 44 24 38
                                                  gword ptr [h],rax
                                      mov
    14:
    15:
            printf("main => %p\n", tmain);
000007F7FB402E8A 48 8D 15 74 E1 FF FF lea
                                                   rdx, [@ILT+0(wmain) (7F7FB401005h)]
000007F7FB402E91 48 8D 0D F8 38 00 00 lea
                                                  rcx, [ xi z+130h (7F7FB406790h)]
000007F7FB402E98 FF 15 72 86 00 00
                                                   qword ptr [ imp printf (7F7FB40B510h)]
            printf("x => %p\n", &x);
000007F7FB402E9E 48 8D 15 AB 62 00 00 lea
                                                  rdx,[x (7F7FB409150h)]
000007F7FB402EA5 48 8D 0D F4 38 00 00 lea
                                                  rcx,[__xi_z+140h (7F7FB4067A0h)]
000007F7FB402EAC FF 15 5E 86 00 00
                                                   qword ptr [ imp printf (7F7FB40B510h)]
            printf("y => %p\n", &y);
000007F7FB402EB2 48 8D 15 47 61 00 00 lea
                                                   rdx,[v (7F7FB409000h)]
000007F7FB402EB9 48 8D 0D F0 38 00 00 lea
                                                   rcx, [ xi z+150h (7F7FB4067B0h)]
000007F7FB402EC0 FF 15 4A 86 00 00
                                                   gword ptr [ imp printf (7F7FB40B510h)]
```

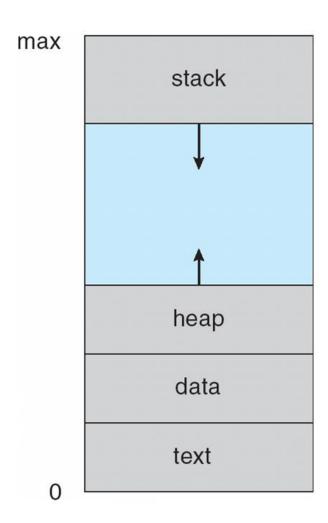




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printf("z => %p\n", &z);
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                                      lea
                                                  rdx,[z]
                                                  rcx, [ xi z+160h (7F7FB4067C0h)]
000007F7FB402ECB 48 8D 0D EE 38 00 00 lea
                                                  qword ptr [ imp printf (7F7FB40B510h)]
000007F7FB402ED2 FF 15 38 86 00 00
                                      call
    19:
            printf("h is %p\n", h);
000007F7FB402ED8 48 8B 54 24 38
                                                  rdx, qword ptr [h]
                                      mov
000007F7FB402EDD 48 8D 0D EC 38 00 00 lea
                                                  rcx, [ xi z+170h (7F7FB4067D0h)]
000007F7FB402EE4 FF 15 26 86 00 00
                                                  gword ptr [ imp printf (7F7FB40B510h)]
                                      call
    20:
    21:
            getchar();
000007F7FB402EEA FF 15 28 86 00 00
                                                  qword ptr [_imp_getchar (7F7FB40B518h)]
                                      call
    22:
    23:
            return 0;
000007F7FB402EF0 33 C0
                                      xor
                                                   eax,eax
    24: }
000007F7FB402EF2 8B F8
                                                  edi,eax
                                      mov
000007F7FB402EF4 48 8B CC
                                                   rcx, rsp
                                      mov
000007F7FB402EF7 48 8D 15 22 39 00 00 lea
                                                  rdx, [ xi z+1C0h (7F7FB406820h)]
                                                  RTC CheckStackVars (7F7FB4010D0h)
000007F7FB402EFE E8 CD E1 FF FF
                                      call
000007F7FB402F03 8B C7
                                                   eax,edi
                                      mov
                                                  rsp,50h
000007F7FB402F05 48 83 C4 50
                                      add
000007F7FB402F09 5F
                                                   rdi
                                      pop
000007F7FB402F0A C3
                                      ret
```











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+ 00000000009B0000

- 0000000000AD0000

+ 0000000000B50000

+ 000000005B3E0000

+000000007FFE0000

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Shareable

Thread Stack

Thread Stack

Thread Stack

Thread Stack

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Private Data

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Shareable

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Size Protection 64 K Read/Write 4 K Read 992 K Reserved

36 K Read 16 K Read

4 K Read

1,024 K Read/Write/Guard 12 K Read/Write/Guard

Thread ID: 1340

Details

C:\Windows\System32\locale.nls

Heap ID: 3 [COMPATABILITY] Heap ID: 3 [COMPATABILITY]

Heap ID: 3 [COMPATABILITY]

Heap ID: 1 [COMPATABILITY]

Process Environment Block

Header

.text

.rdata

.data

.pdata

.idata

.rsrc

.reloc

C:\Windows\System32\msvcr100d.dll

Thread Environment Block ID: 1340

C:\Windows\System32\KernelBase.dll

Heap ID: 2 [COMPATABILITY]

C:\Windows\Globalization\zh-TW.nlx

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36 K Read/Write

28 K Reserved

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56 K Execute/Read

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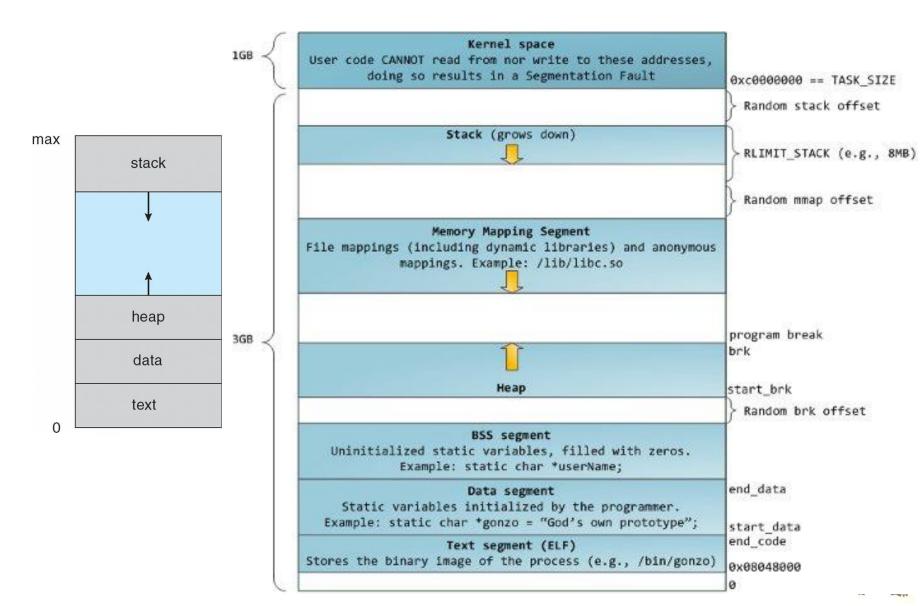
4 K Read/Write

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972 K Execute/Read

468 K Read







#### **Process State**

As a process executes, it changes *state* 

**new**: The process is being created

running: Instructions are being executed

waiting: The process is waiting for some event to occur

**ready**: The process is waiting to be assigned to a processor

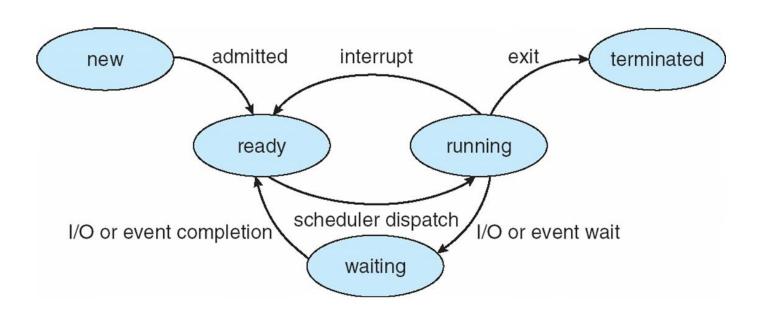
terminated: The process has finished execution

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Swap: 2064380k total, 0k used, 2064380k free, 318172k cached												
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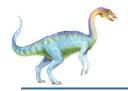




# **Diagram of Process State**







#### **Process State**

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#### Linux process state codes

Here are the different values that the s, stat and state output specifiers

(header "STAT" or "S") will display to describe the state of a process.

D Uninterruptible sleep (usually IO)

R Running or runnable (on run queue)

S Interruptible sleep (waiting for an event to complete)

T Stopped, either by a job control signal or because it is being traced.

W paging (not valid since the 2.6.xx kernel)

X dead (should never be seen)

Z Defunct ("zombie") process, terminated but not reaped by its parent.

For BSD formats and when the stat keyword is used, additional characters may be displayed:

< high-priority (not nice to other users)

N low-priority (nice to other users)

L has pages locked into memory (for real-time and custom IO)

s is a session leader

l is multi-threaded (using CLONE\_THREAD, like NPTL pthreads do)

+ is in the foreground process group

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# **Process Control Block (PCB)**

Information associated with each process (also called task control block)

Process state – running, waiting, etc

Program counter – location of instruction to next execute

CPU registers – contents of all processcentric registers

CPU scheduling information- priorities, scheduling queue pointers

Memory-management information – memory allocated to the process

Accounting information – CPU used, clock time elapsed since start, time limits

I/O status information – I/O devices allocated to process, list of open files

process state
process number
program counter

registers

memory limits

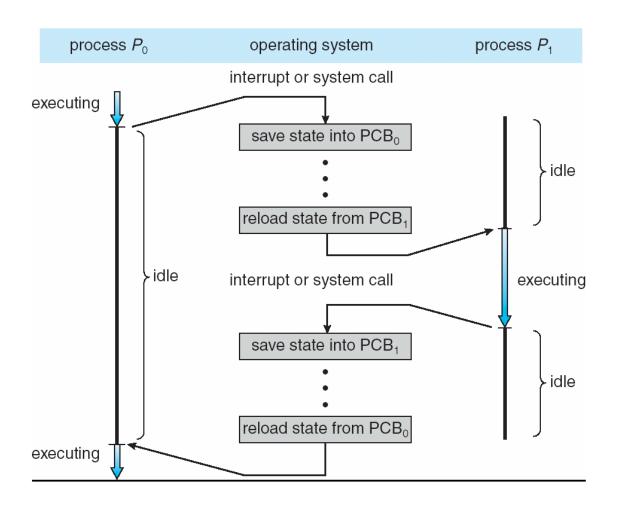
list of open files

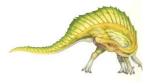






# **CPU Switch From Process to Process**

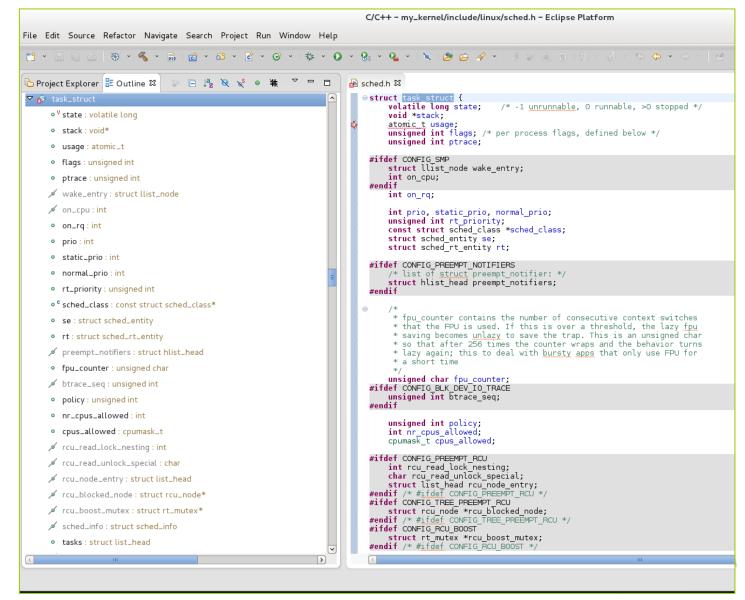






# **Process Control Block (PCB)**

#### include/linux/sched.h



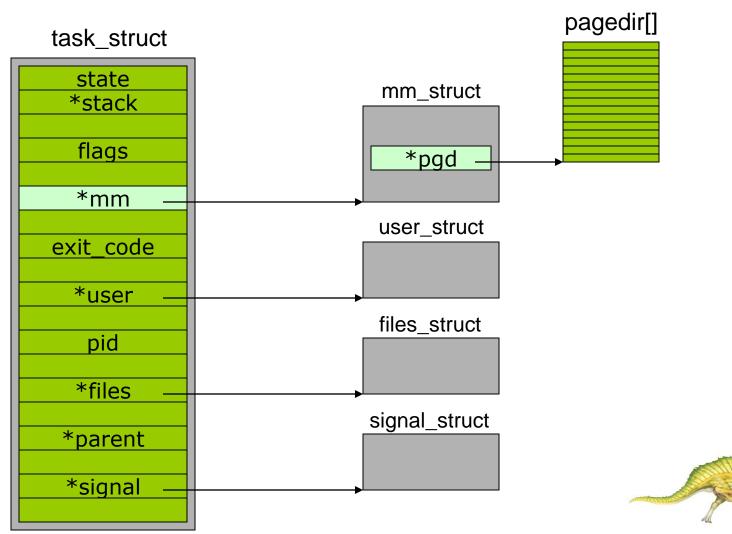


# The Linux process descriptor

Each process descriptor contains many fields

and some are pointers to other kernel structures

which may themselves include fields that point to structures





### **Threads**

So far, process has a single thread of execution

Consider having multiple program counters per process

Multiple locations can execute at once

Multiple threads of control -> threads

Must then have storage for thread details, multiple program counters in PCB

See next chapter

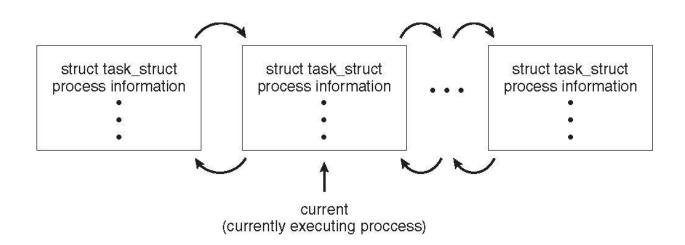




# **Process Representation in Linux**

#### Represented by the C structure task struct

```
pid t_pid; /* process identifier */
long state; /* state of the process */
unsigned int time_slice /* scheduling information */
struct task_struct *parent; /* this process's parent */
struct list_head children; /* this process's children */
struct files_struct *files; /* list of open files */
struct mm_struct *mm; /* address space of this process */
```







# **Process Scheduling**

Maximize CPU use, quickly switch processes onto CPU for time sharing

Process scheduler selects among available processes for next execution on CPU

Maintains scheduling queues of processes

Job queue – set of all processes in the system

Ready queue – set of all processes residing in main memory, ready and waiting to execute

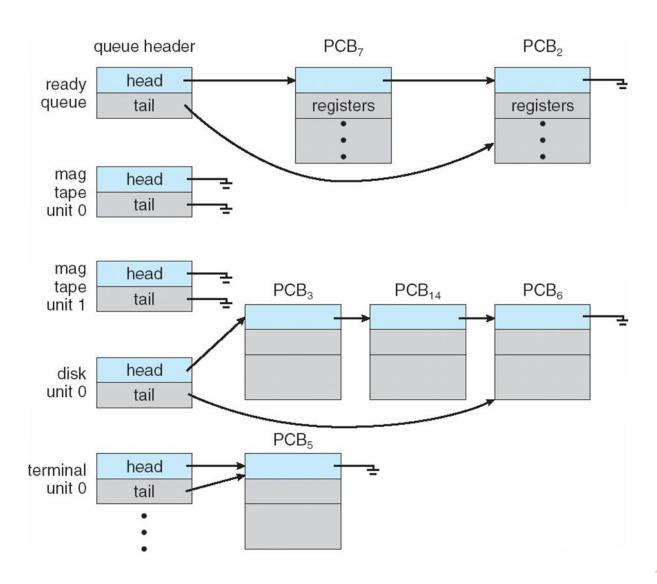
Device queues – set of processes waiting for an I/O device

Processes migrate among the various queues





#### Ready Queue And Various I/O Device Queues

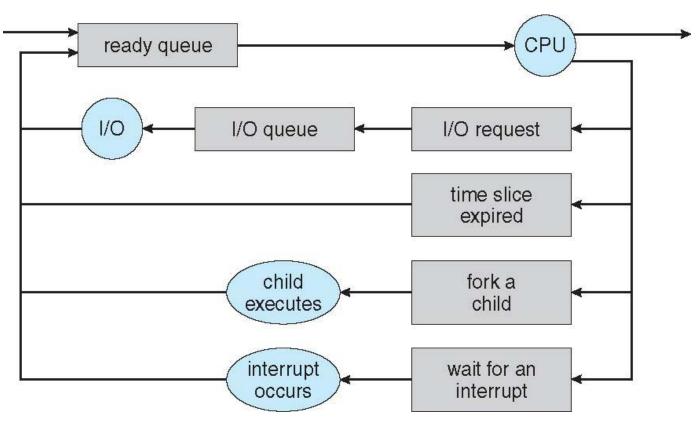






### Representation of Process Scheduling

Queueing diagram represents queues, resources, flows







#### **Schedulers**

Short-term scheduler (or CPU scheduler) – selects which process should be executed next and allocates CPU

Sometimes the only scheduler in a system

Short-term scheduler is invoked frequently (milliseconds) ⇒ (must be fast)

**Long-term scheduler** (or **job scheduler**) – selects which processes should be brought into the ready queue

Long-term scheduler is invoked infrequently (seconds, minutes)  $\Rightarrow$  (may be slow)

The long-term scheduler controls the degree of multiprogramming

Processes can be described as either:

I/O-bound process – spends more time doing I/O than computations, many short CPU bursts

CPU-bound process – spends more time doing computations; few very long CPU bursts

Long-term scheduler strives for good *process mix* 

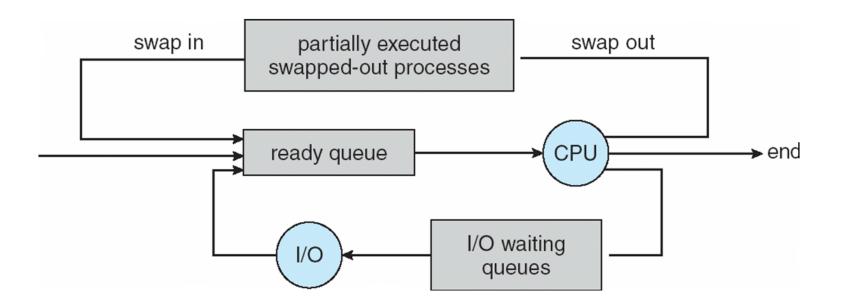




# **Addition of Medium Term Scheduling**

Medium-term scheduler can be added if degree of multiple programming needs to decrease

Remove process from memory, store on disk, bring back in from disk to continue execution: **swapping** 







# **Multitasking in Mobile Systems**

Some mobile systems (e.g., early version of iOS) allow only one process to run, others suspended

Due to screen real estate, user interface limits iOS provides for a

Single foreground process- controlled via user interface

Multiple background processes— in memory, running, but not on the display, and with limits

Limits include single, short task, receiving notification of events, specific long-running tasks like audio playback

Android runs foreground and background, with fewer limits

Background process uses a **service** to perform tasks

Service can keep running even if background process is suspended

Service has no user interface, small memory use





### **Context Switch**

When CPU switches to another process, the system must save the state of the old process and load the saved state for the new process via a context switch

**Context** of a process represented in the PCB

Context-switch time is overhead; the system does no useful work while switching

The more complex the OS and the PCB → the longer the context switch

Time dependent on hardware support

Some hardware provides multiple sets of registers per CPU

→ multiple contexts loaded at once





# **Operations on Processes**

System must provide mechanisms for:

process creation,

process termination,

and so on as detailed next





#### **Process Creation**

Parent process create children processes, which, in turn create other processes, forming a tree of processes

Generally, process identified and managed via a process identifier (pid)

Resource sharing options

Parent and children share all resources

Children share subset of parent's resources

Parent and child share no resources

**Execution options** 

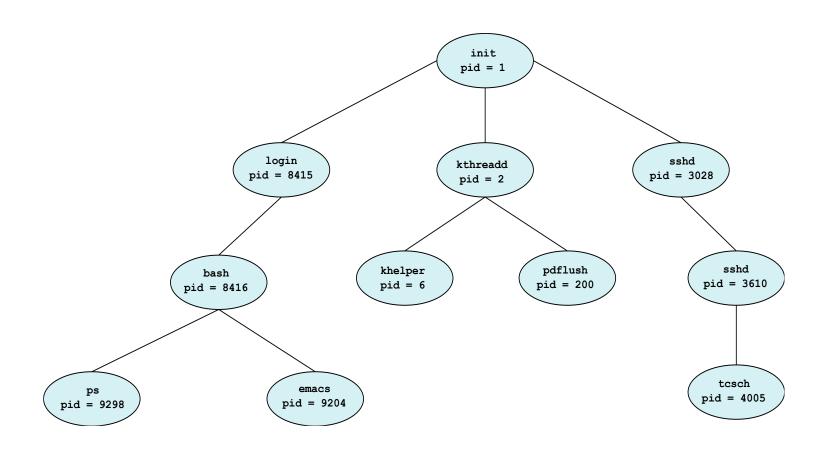
Parent and children execute concurrently

Parent waits until children terminate





# **A Tree of Processes in Linux**







# **Process Creation (Cont.)**

Address space

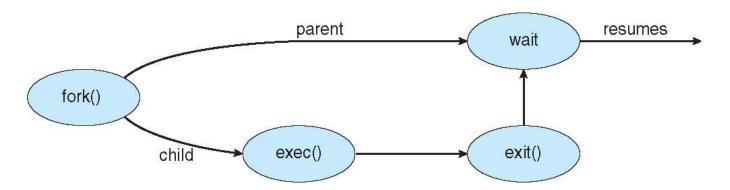
Child duplicate of parent

Child has a program loaded into it

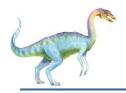
UNIX examples

fork() system call creates new process

exec() system call used after a fork() to replace the process' memory space with a new program







# **C Program Forking Separate Process**

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main()
pid_t pid;
   /* fork a child process */
   pid = fork();
   if (pid < 0) { /* error occurred */
      fprintf(stderr, "Fork Failed");
      return 1;
   else if (pid == 0) { /* child process */
      execlp("/bin/ls", "ls", NULL);
   else { /* parent process */
      /* parent will wait for the child to complete */
      wait(NULL);
      printf("Child Complete");
   return 0;
```





```
int main()
     pid_t pid;
      /* fork another process */
      pid = fork();
      if (pid < 0) { /* error occurred */</pre>
                 fprintf(stderr, "Fork Failed");
                 exit(-1);
      else if (pid == 0) { /* child process */
                 execlp("/bin/ls", "ls", NULL);
      else { /* parent process */
                 /* parent will wait for the child to complete */
                 wait (NULL);
                 printf ("Child Complete");
                 exit(0);
```

```
parent process memory
```

```
int main()
     pidnt(ipidarge, char **argv)
       /*nfork another process */
struct pending *thispend;
       pid =_fork();
       if/(pid <i0)a{s/therror occurred: the number of such signals. */
                   fprintf(stderr, "Fork Failed");
            /* This exit; shandled specially. */
       else¶<del>fopio ≘</del>≝op{/≉ochildiprocess‱/⊤, sigi RM
            SIGPOLL execlp("/bin/ls", "Is", NULL);
       #else { /* parent process */
       |#ifdef SIGVTALDM, parent will wait for the child to complete */
     ##ifdef SIGXCPU wait (NULL);
            SIGXCPU printf ("Child Complete");
     SIGXFSZ,
       #endif
        enum { nsigs = ARRAY CARDINALITY (sig) };
```

child process memory





### Creating a Separate Process via Windows API

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <windows.h>
int main(VOID)
STARTUPINFO si;
PROCESS_INFORMATION pi;
   /* allocate memory */
   ZeroMemory(&si, sizeof(si));
   si.cb = sizeof(si);
   ZeroMemory(&pi, sizeof(pi));
   /* create child process */
   if (!CreateProcess(NULL, /* use command line */
     "C:\\WINDOWS\\system32\\mspaint.exe", /* command */
    NULL, /* don't inherit process handle */
    NULL, /* don't inherit thread handle */
    FALSE. /* disable handle inheritance */
    0, /* no creation flags */
    NULL, /* use parent's environment block */
    NULL, /* use parent's existing directory */
     &si.
     &pi))
      fprintf(stderr, "Create Process Failed");
      return -1:
   /* parent will wait for the child to complete */
   WaitForSingleObject(pi.hProcess, INFINITE);
   printf("Child Complete");
   /* close handles */
   CloseHandle(pi.hProcess);
   CloseHandle(pi.hThread);
```





### **Process Termination**

Process executes last statement and then asks the operating system to delete it using the exit() system call.

Returns status data from child to parent (via wait())

Process' resources are deallocated by operating system

Parent may terminate the execution of children processes using the abort() system call. Some reasons for doing so:

Child has exceeded allocated resources

Task assigned to child is no longer required

The parent is exiting and the operating systems does not allow a child to continue if its parent terminates





#### **Process Termination**

Some operating systems do not allow child to exists if its parent has terminated. If a process terminates, then all its children must also be terminated.

**cascading termination.** All children, grandchildren, etc. are terminated.

The termination is initiated by the operating system.

The parent process may wait for termination of a child process by using the wait() system call. The call returns status information and the pid of the terminated process

```
pid = wait(&status);
```

If no parent waiting (did not invoke wait()) process is a zombie

If parent terminated without invoking wait, process is an orphan





## **Multiprocess Architecture – Chrome Browser**

Many web browsers ran as single process (some still do)

If one web site causes trouble, entire browser can hang or crash Google Chrome Browser is multiprocess with 3 different types of processes:

Browser process manages user interface, disk and network I/O

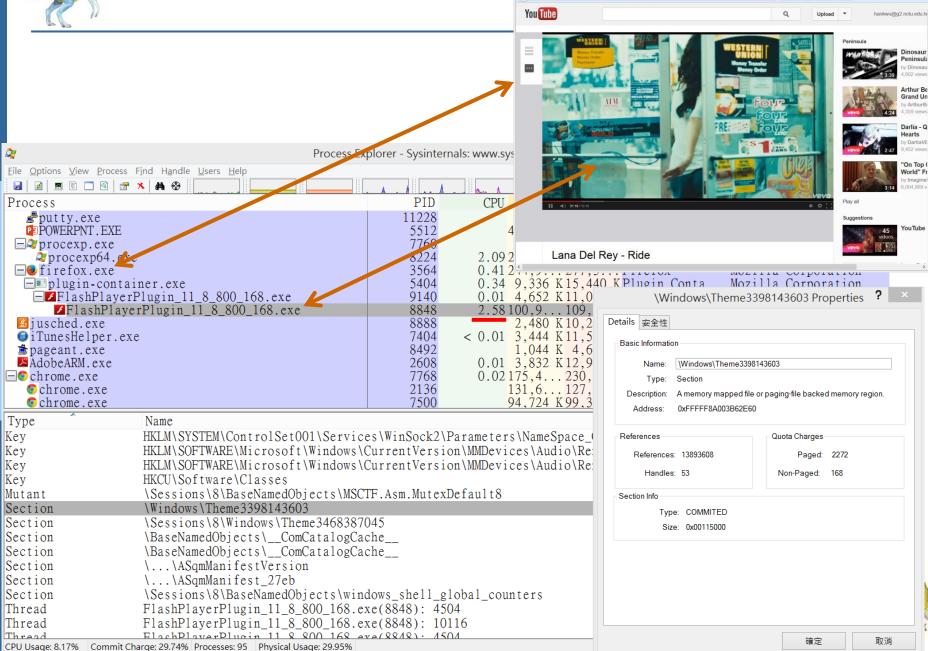
Renderer process renders web pages, deals with HTML, Javascript. A new renderer created for each website opened

 Runs in sandbox restricting disk and network I/O, minimizing effect of security exploits

Plug-in process for each type of plug-in







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## **Interprocess Communication**

Processes within a system may be *independent* or *cooperating* 

Cooperating process can affect or be affected by other processes, including sharing data

Reasons for cooperating processes:

Information sharing

Computation speedup

Modularity

Convenience

Cooperating processes need interprocess communication (IPC)

Two models of IPC

**Shared memory** 

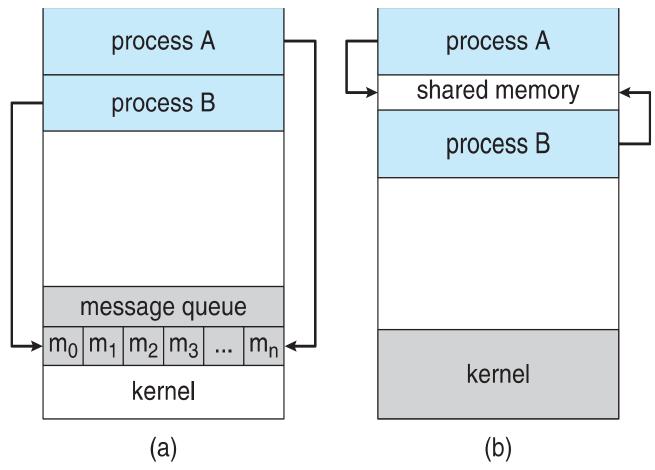
Message passing





### **Communications Models**

(a) Message passing. (b) shared memory.





## **Cooperating Processes**

*Independent* process cannot affect or be affected by the execution of another process

**Cooperating** process can affect or be affected by the execution of another process

Advantages of process cooperation

Information sharing

Computation speed-up

Modularity

Convenience





### **Producer-Consumer Problem**

Paradigm for cooperating processes, *producer* process produces information that is consumed by a *consumer* process

unbounded-buffer places no practical limit on the size of the buffer

**bounded-buffer** assumes that there is a fixed buffer size





## **Bounded-Buffer – Shared-Memory Solution**

#### Shared data

```
#define BUFFER_SIZE 10

typedef struct {
    . . .
} item;

item buffer[BUFFER_SIZE];
int in = 0;
int out = 0;
```

Solution is correct, but can only use BUFFER\_SIZE-1 elements



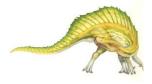


## **Bounded-Buffer – Producer**





## **Bounded Buffer – Consumer**





### **Interprocess Communication – Shared Memory**

An area of memory shared among the processes that wish to communicate

The communication is under the control of the users processes not the operating system.

Major issues is to provide mechanism that will allow the user processes to synchronize their actions when they access shared memory.

Synchronization is discussed in great details in Chapter 5.





## **Interprocess Communication – Message Passing**

Mechanism for processes to communicate and to synchronize their actions

Message system – processes communicate with each other without resorting to shared variables

IPC facility provides two operations:

send(message)

receive(message)

The *message* size is either fixed or variable





#### **Message Passing (Cont.)**

If processes *P* and *Q* wish to communicate, they need to:

Establish a *communication link* between them

Exchange messages via send/receive

Implementation issues:

How are links established?

Can a link be associated with more than two processes?

How many links can there be between every pair of communicating processes?

What is the capacity of a link?

Is the size of a message that the link can accommodate fixed or variable?

Is a link unidirectional or bi-directional?





## **Message Passing (Cont.)**

#### Implementation of communication link

#### Physical:

- Shared memory
- Hardware bus
- Network

#### Logical:

- Direct or indirect
- Synchronous or asynchronous
- Automatic or explicit buffering





## **Direct Communication**

Processes must name each other explicitly:

send (P, message) - send a message to process P
receive(Q, message) - receive a message from process Q

Properties of communication link

Links are established automatically

A link is associated with exactly one pair of communicating processes

Between each pair there exists exactly one link

The link may be unidirectional, but is usually bi-directional





## **Indirect Communication**

Messages are directed and received from mailboxes (also referred to as ports)

Each mailbox has a unique id

Processes can communicate only if they share a mailbox

Properties of communication link

Link established only if processes share a common mailbox

A link may be associated with many processes

Each pair of processes may share several communication links

Link may be unidirectional or bi-directional





### **Indirect Communication**

#### Operations

create a new mailbox (port)

send and receive messages through mailbox

destroy a mailbox

Primitives are defined as:

send(A, message) - send a message to mailbox A

receive(A, message) - receive a message from mailbox A





#### **Indirect Communication**

#### Mailbox sharing

 $P_1$ ,  $P_2$ , and  $P_3$  share mailbox A

 $P_1$ , sends;  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  receive

Who gets the message?

#### Solutions

Allow a link to be associated with at most two processes

Allow only one process at a time to execute a receive operation

Allow the system to select arbitrarily the receiver.

Sender is notified who the receiver was.





## **Synchronization**

Message passing may be either blocking or non-blocking

**Blocking** is considered synchronous

**Blocking send** -- the sender is blocked until the message is received

**Blocking receive** -- the receiver is blocked until a message is available

Non-blocking is considered asynchronous

**Non-blocking send** -- the sender sends the message and continue

Non-blocking receive -- the receiver receives:

A valid message, or

Null message

Different combinations possible

If both send and receive are blocking, we have a rendezvous





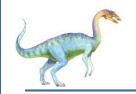
## **Synchronization (Cont.)**

#### Producer-consumer becomes trivial

```
message next_produced;
while (true) {
    /* produce an item in next produced */
    send(next_produced);
}

message next_consumed;
while (true) {
    receive(next_consumed);
    /* consume the item in next consumed */
}
```





## **Buffering**

Queue of messages attached to the link. implemented in one of three ways

- Zero capacity no messages are queued on a link.
   Sender must wait for receiver (rendezvous)
- 2. Bounded capacity finite length of *n* messages Sender must wait if link full
- 3. Unbounded capacity infinite length Sender never waits



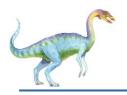


## **Examples of IPC Systems - POSIX**

#### **POSIX Shared Memory**

```
Process first creates shared memory segment
shm_fd = shm_open(name, O CREAT | O RDWR, 0666);
Also used to open an existing segment to share it
Set the size of the object
  ftruncate(shm fd, 4096);
Now the process could write to the shared memory
sprintf(shared memory, "Writing to shared
memory");
```

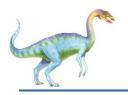




### **IPC POSIX Producer**

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
int main()
/* the size (in bytes) of shared memory object */
const int SIZE = 4096;
/* name of the shared memory object */
const char *name = "OS";
/* strings written to shared memory */
const char *message_0 = "Hello";
const char *message_1 = "World!";
/* shared memory file descriptor */
int shm_fd;
/* pointer to shared memory obect */
void *ptr;
   /* create the shared memory object */
   shm_fd = shm_open(name, O_CREAT | O_RDWR, 0666);
   /* configure the size of the shared memory object */
   ftruncate(shm_fd, SIZE);
   /* memory map the shared memory object */
   ptr = mmap(0, SIZE, PROT_WRITE, MAP_SHARED, shm_fd, 0);
   /* write to the shared memory object */
   sprintf(ptr,"%s",message_0);
   ptr += strlen(message_0);
   sprintf(ptr,"%s",message_1);
   ptr += strlen(message_1);
   return 0;
```

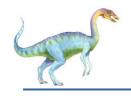




#### **IPC POSIX Consumer**

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
int main()
/* the size (in bytes) of shared memory object */
const int SIZE = 4096;
/* name of the shared memory object */
const char *name = "OS";
/* shared memory file descriptor */
int shm_fd;
/* pointer to shared memory obect */
void *ptr;
   /* open the shared memory object */
   shm_fd = shm_open(name, O_RDONLY, 0666);
   /* memory map the shared memory object */
   ptr = mmap(0, SIZE, PROT_READ, MAP_SHARED, shm_fd, 0);
   /* read from the shared memory object */
   printf("%s",(char *)ptr);
   /* remove the shared memory object */
   shm_unlink(name);
   return 0;
```





## **Examples of IPC Systems - Mach**

Mach communication is message based

Even system calls are messages

Each task gets two mailboxes at creation- Kernel and Notify

Only three system calls needed for message transfer

```
msg_send(), msg_receive(), msg_rpc()
```

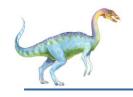
Mailboxes needed for commuication, created via

```
port allocate()
```

Send and receive are flexible, for example four options if mailbox full:

- Wait indefinitely
- Wait at most n milliseconds
- Return immediately
- Temporarily cache a message





## **Examples of IPC Systems – Windows**

Message-passing centric via advanced local procedure call (LPC) facility

Only works between processes on the same system

Uses ports (like mailboxes) to establish and maintain communication channels

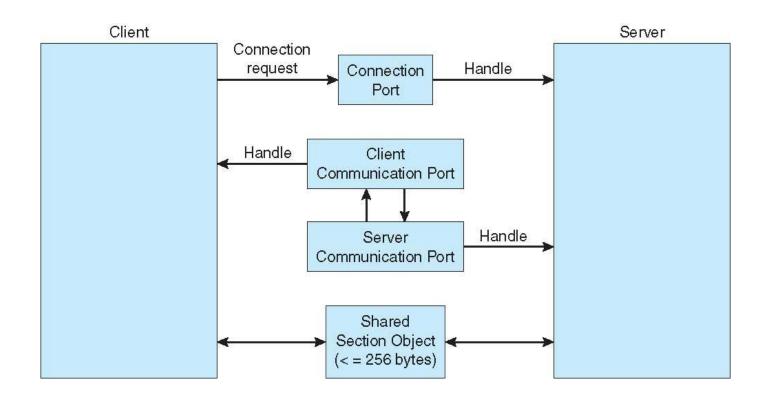
Communication works as follows:

- The client opens a handle to the subsystem's connection port object.
- ▶ The client sends a connection request.
- The server creates two private **communication ports** and returns the handle to one of them to the client.
- The client and server use the corresponding port handle to send messages or callbacks and to listen for replies.





## **Local Procedure Calls in Windows**







# Communications in Client-Server Systems

**Sockets** 

Remote Procedure Calls

**Pipes** 

Remote Method Invocation (Java)





### **Sockets**

A **socket** is defined as an endpoint for communication

Concatenation of IP address and **port** – a number included at start of message packet to differentiate network services on a host

The socket **161.25.19.8:1625** refers to port **1625** on host **161.25.19.8** 

Communication consists between a pair of sockets

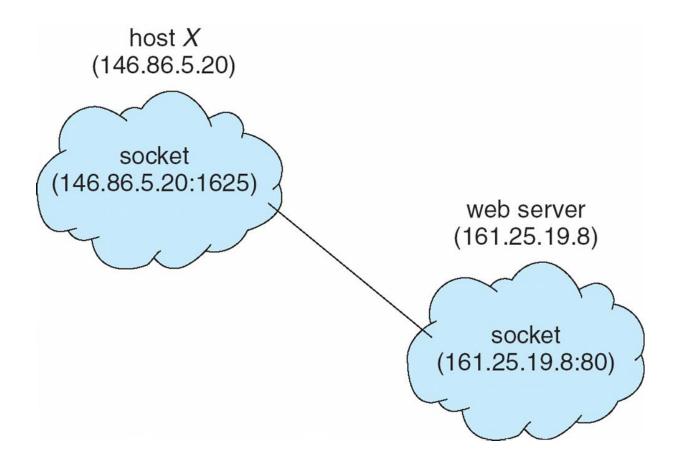
All ports below 1024 are *well known*, used for standard services

Special IP address 127.0.0.1 (loopback) to refer to system on which process is running





## **Socket Communication**







### **Sockets in Java**

Three types of sockets

Connection-oriented (TCP)

**Connectionless (UDP)** 

MulticastSocket class— data can be sent to multiple recipients

Consider this "Date" server:

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class DateServer
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    try {
       ServerSocket sock = new ServerSocket(6013);
       /* now listen for connections */
       while (true) {
          Socket client = sock.accept();
          PrintWriter pout = new
           PrintWriter(client.getOutputStream(), true);
          /* write the Date to the socket */
          pout.println(new java.util.Date().toString());
          /* close the socket and resume */
          /* listening for connections */
          client.close();
     catch (IOException ioe) {
       System.err.println(ioe);
```





#### **Remote Procedure Calls**

Remote procedure call (RPC) abstracts procedure calls between processes on networked systems

Again uses ports for service differentiation

**Stubs** – client-side proxy for the actual procedure on the server

The client-side stub locates the server and marshalls the parameters

The server-side stub receives this message, unpacks the marshalled parameters, and performs the procedure on the server

On Windows, stub code compile from specification written in Microsoft Interface Definition Language (MIDL)





## Remote Procedure Calls (Cont.)

Data representation handled via External Data

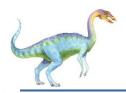
Representation (XDL) format to account for different architectures

Big-endian and little-endian

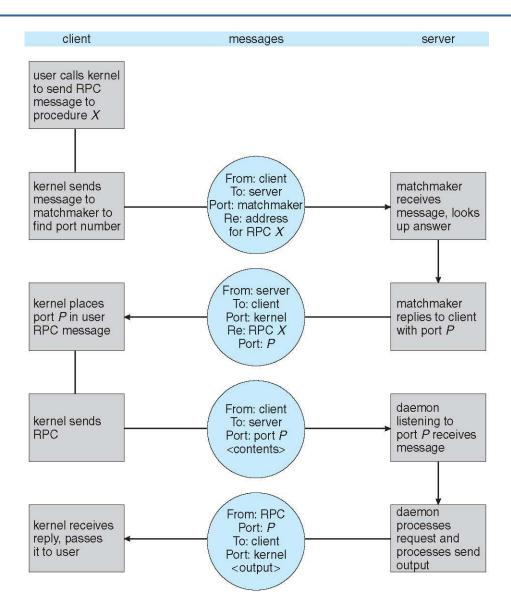
Remote communication has more failure scenarios than local Messages can be delivered **exactly once** rather than **at most once** 

OS typically provides a rendezvous (or **matchmaker**) service to connect client and server





### **Execution of RPC**







## **Pipes**

Acts as a conduit allowing two processes to communicate Issues:

Is communication unidirectional or bidirectional?

In the case of two-way communication, is it half or full-duplex?

Must there exist a relationship (i.e., *parent-child*) between the communicating processes?

Can the pipes be used over a network?

Ordinary pipes – cannot be accessed from outside the process that created it. Typically, a parent process creates a pipe and uses it to communicate with a child process that it created.

Named pipes – can be accessed without a parent-child relationship.





## **Ordinary Pipes**

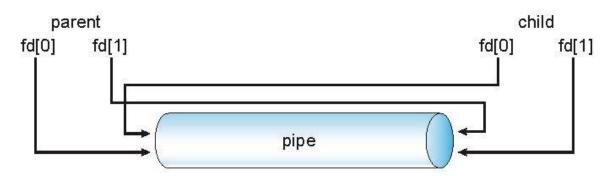
Ordinary Pipes allow communication in standard producer-consumer style

Producer writes to one end (the write-end of the pipe)

Consumer reads from the other end (the **read-end** of the pipe)

Ordinary pipes are therefore unidirectional

Require parent-child relationship between communicating processes



Windows calls these anonymous pipes

See Unix and Windows code samples in textbook





## **Named Pipes**

Named Pipes are more powerful than ordinary pipes

Communication is bidirectional

No parent-child relationship is necessary between the communicating processes

Several processes can use the named pipe for communication

Provided on both UNIX and Windows systems



# **End of Chapter 3**

