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Productivity

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Security

Privacy

Databases

Open source

I do read the Terms and

Teaching

Psychology

Conditions

Hacking

Linux & Unix



EESTEC LC Trieste

- Electrical Engineering STudents European assoCiation.
- Also computer engineering students.

Like ELSA for tech nerds!

... or is ELSA like EESTEC for law nerds?

Computer engineering basics the scary part made simple

"But I don't know s**t about computers! Help!"



We'll define

- Computers, Software, Hardware, Operating systems.
- How the Internet works.

Questions are welcome!

For real, ask me stuff.



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Computers and systems

Computer

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A device that can be instructed to perform some arithmetical and logical operations automatically.

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- ► **Inside** the case:

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- Inside the case: processor, memory, disk, network card, graphic card, sound card

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Software

Set of machine-readable instructions that directs a computer's processor to perform specific operations.

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- It tells the computer what to do.

- Program = one set of instructions
- Software = set of programs, usually

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A system is anything we want to consider as one!

Operating Systems

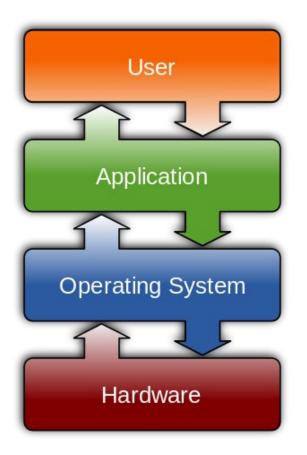
Do you know some?

Operating Systems

- Microsoft Windows
- GNU Linux
- OS X (macOS)
- BSD

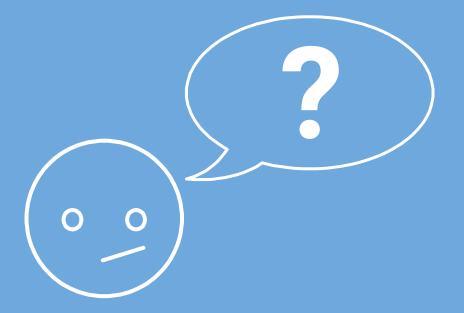
- iOS
- Android

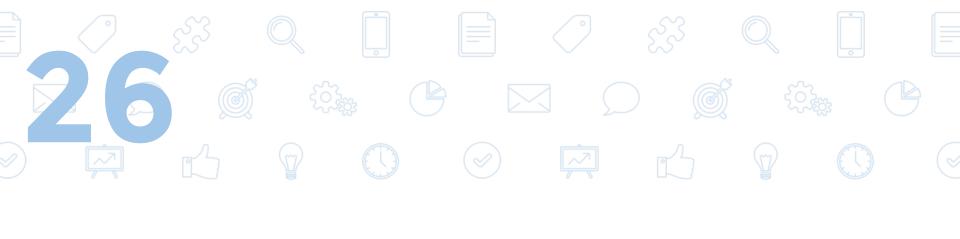
etc.



Operating system

- Software set that manages computer hardware and other software's resources.
- Provides common services for computer programs.
 - Examples: current time, network connections, windows and buttons
- Kernel = core of the OS.





Networks and the Internet

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Computer network

A telecommunications network which allows computers to exchange data.

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Internet

- ► Is the global system of interconnected computer networks.
- Is a network of networks.
- 2016: ~20 billion devices.
- ▶ 2020: ~50 billion (Cisco estimate).



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- Internet Service Provider.
- The company that gives you access to the Internet (for money).
- Offers a telecommunication infrastructure and IP addresses.

Finding a computer on the Internet somewhere

- Each computer on a network (and on the Internet) has an IP address.
- A unique (temporary) identifier.
- Just like a phone number.
- Examples:
 - 216.239.32.10
 - 2001:0db8:0000:0000:0000:ff00:0042:8329

Domain Names

- We add names to computers.
- Easier to remember than IP addresses.
- The Domain Name Service (DNS) translates names to IP addresses.
- Like a phone/address book.
- matjaz.it = 94.141.20.79

Server-Client

- A **server** is a computer **program** that provides functionality for other programs, called **clients**.
- Server and client may be on the same machine.
- Usually on different machines, connected using the Internet, they are also called server and client.

World Wide Web, "The Web"

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- Set of documents and other resources.
- Identified by URLs (links).
- Interlinked by hypertext links.
- Can be accessed via the Internet

Whatever accessible by a browser!

URL

- Uniform Resource Locator.
- Informally termed a web address.
- Is a reference to a web resource containing:
 - its location on a computer network
 - a mechanism for retrieving it

https://www.example.com/image.jpg

Search engine



Search engine

- Software designed to search for information on the World Wide Web.
- Compares the searched terms with the content of web pages.
- Does not answer any question directly, only proposes related content.

A Net Neutrality

Net Neutrality

- Is the principle that ISP and governments should treat all data on the Internet the same
- No discrimination/limiting by
 - User
 - Content
 - Site
 - Application
 - Encryption

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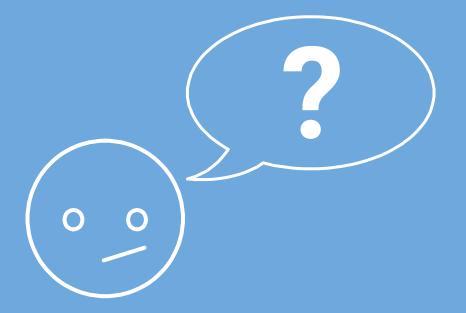
Cookies

- A small piece of data sent from a website and stored in the user's web browser.
- For websites to remember the status of the user.
 - Authentication
 - Shopping cart
 - Purchase procedure steps



Cookies

- Needed for a website to work properly, just like images or fonts.
- Tracking and advertisement cookies may be a privacy issue.
- Example:
 - Google Analytics has tracking cookies
 - Amazon has session cookies
 - matjaz.it has no cookies at all



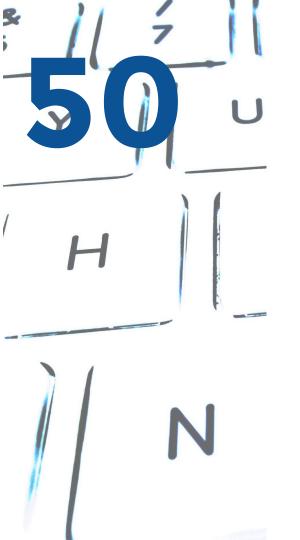


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 - 8. GNU
 - 9. CA
- 10. HTML

- 11. SaaS
- 12. laaS
- 13. TCP/IP
- 14. UX
- 15. UI
- 16. LAN
- 17. PGP/GPG
- 18. WWW



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Contact me, maybe?







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