

CHAPTER 1: OPERATING SYSTEM FUNDAMENTALS

What is an operating system?

- A collection of software modules to assist programmers in enhancing system *efficiency, flexibility, and robustness*
- An *Extended Machine* from the users' viewpoint
- A *Resource Manager* from the system's viewpoint

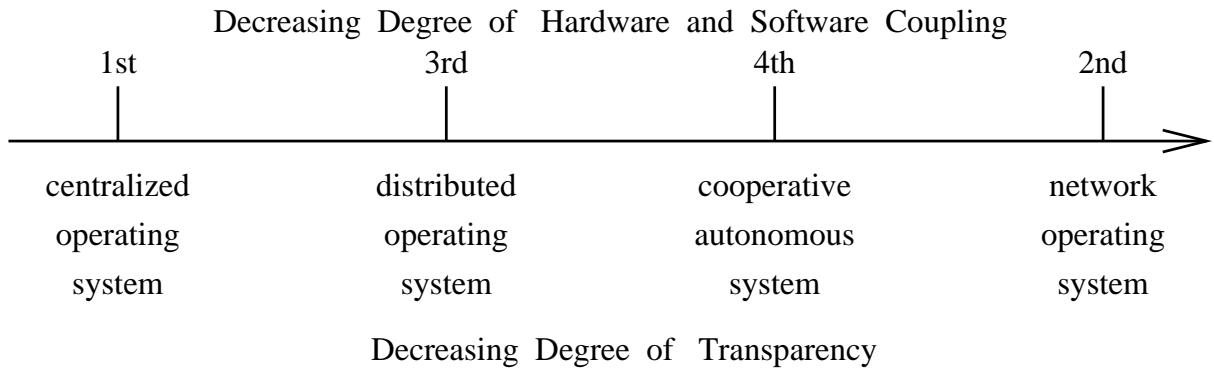
What are the primary functions of an operating system?

- multiplexing the processor(s)
- scheduling processes
- coordinating interaction among processes, interprocess communication and synchronization
- managing system resources (I/O, memory, data files)
- enforcing access control and protection
- maintaining system integrity and performing error recovery
- providing an interface to the users

Evolution of modern operating systems

1. *Centralized operating system*: resource management and extended machine to support *Virtuality*
 - (a) Resident Monitor (RM) - user=operator, single process
 - (b) Batch Systems - user \neq operator, single \rightarrow multiple processes
 - (c) Timesharing Systems - interactive, multiple processes
 - (d) Personal Computers - user=operator, single \rightarrow multiple processes
2. *Network operating system*: resource sharing to achieve *Interoperability*
3. *Distributed operating system*: a single computer view of a multiple-computer system for *Transparency*
4. *Cooperative autonomous system*: cooperative work with *Autonomicity*

A spectrum of modern operating systems



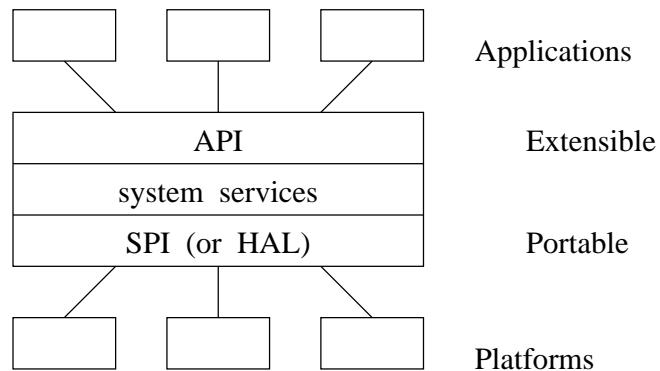
Operating system structuring methods

- modularization
- vertical partitioning (layered one-in-one-out structure)
- horizontal partitioning
- client/server model
- minimal (or micro) kernel
- subsystem with API and SPI

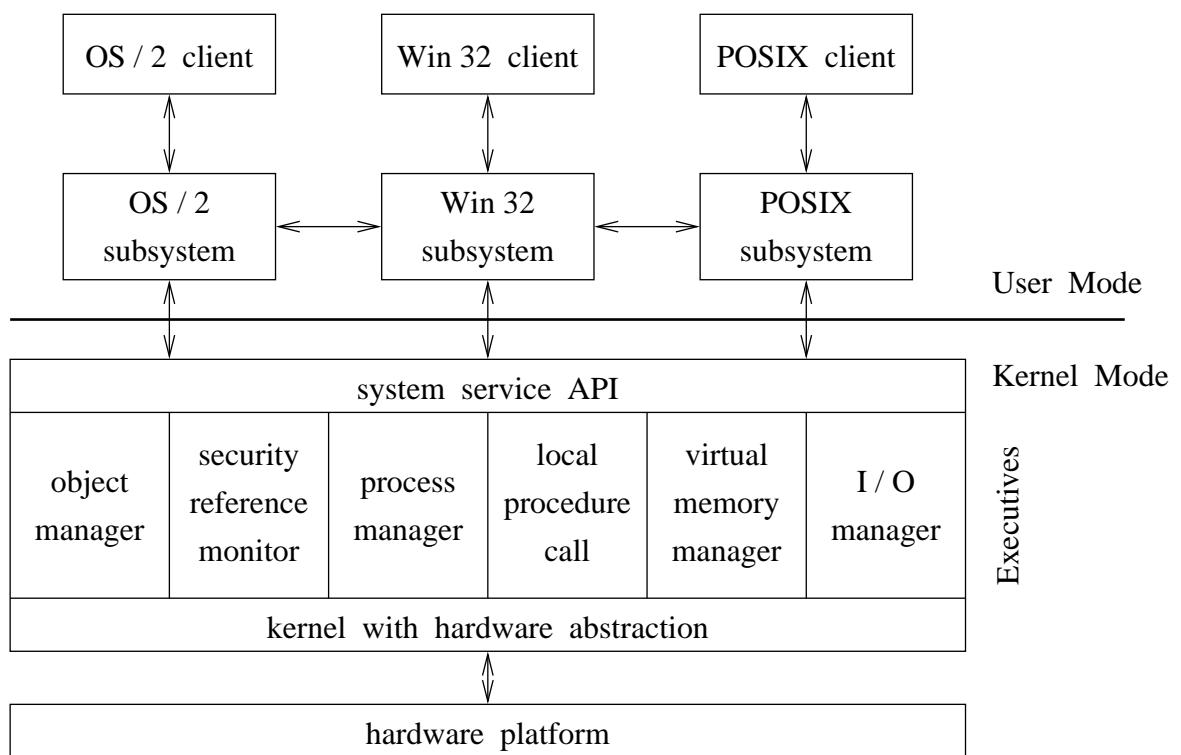
Example of OS Partitioning:

Applications	accounting	word processing	manufacturing
Subsystems	programming environment		database system
Utilities	compiler	command interpreter	library
System Services	file system	memory manager	scheduler
Kernel	CPU multiplexing, interrupt handling, device drivers synchronization primitives, interprocess communication		

API and SPI:



Windows NT: an example of operating system structure



Overview of centralized operating systems:

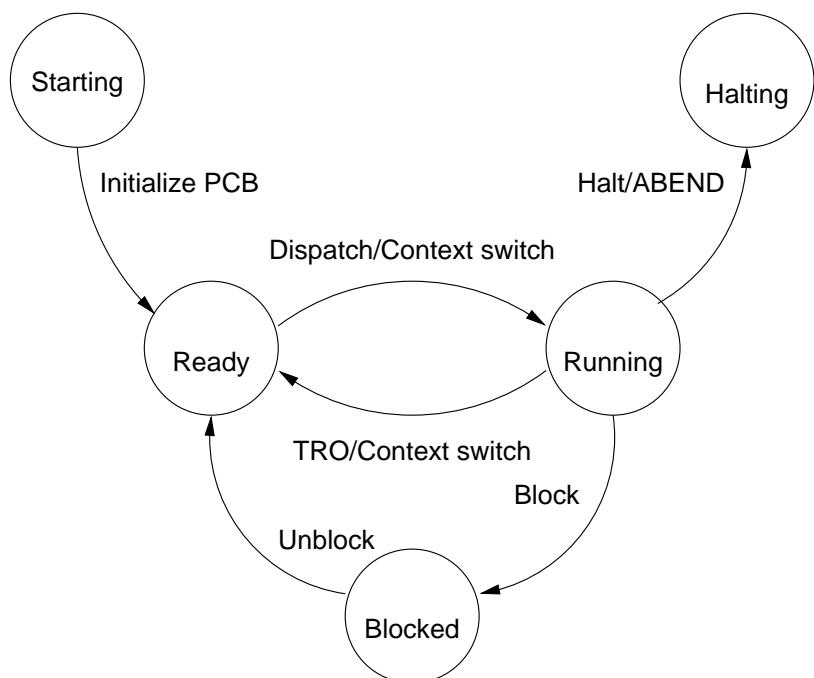
Resource Manager

- *Process management*
 - interprocess communication
 - process synchronization
 - process scheduling
- *Memory management*
 - memory allocation and deallocation
 - logical to physical address mapping
 - virtual memory support: segmentation and paging
 - protection
- *Device management*
 - device driver
 - buffering
 - spooling
- *Data management*
 - file access
 - file sharing
 - concurrency control
 - data replication

Process management

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- process scheduling

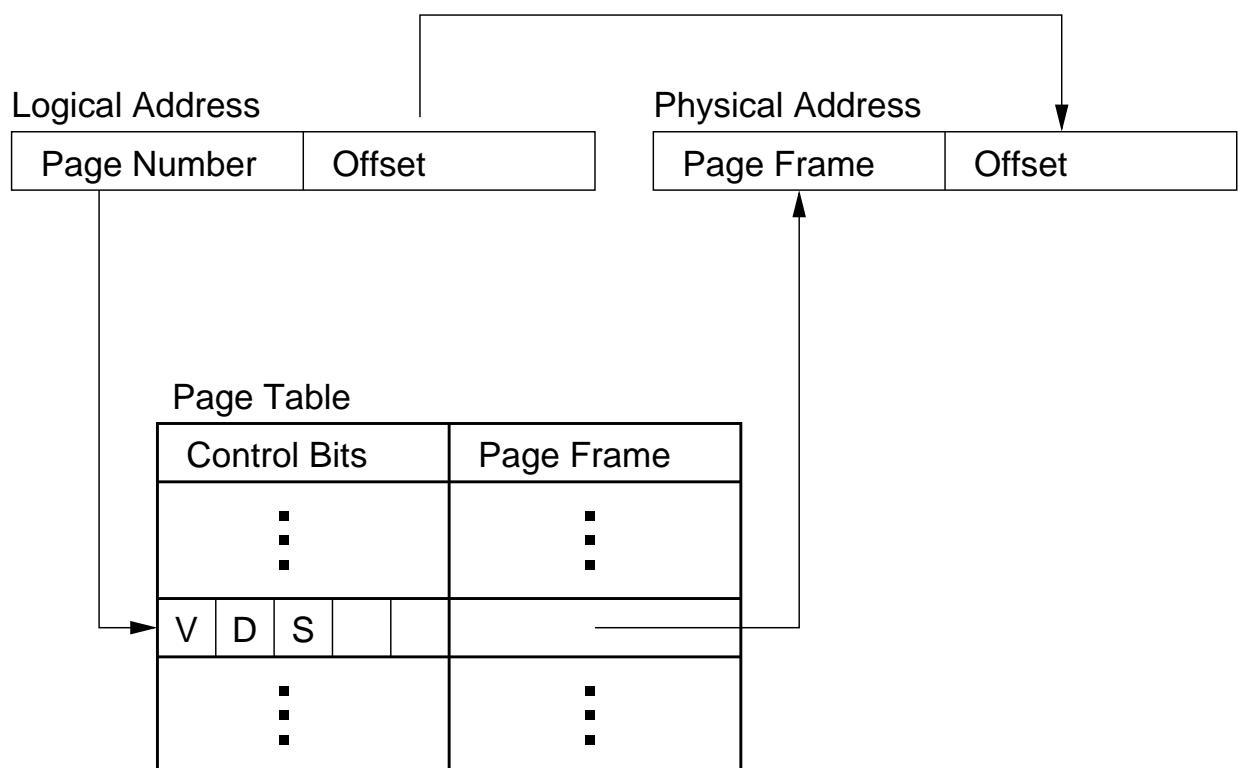
Process States:



Memory management

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- logical to physical address mapping
- virtual memory support: segmentation and paging
- protection

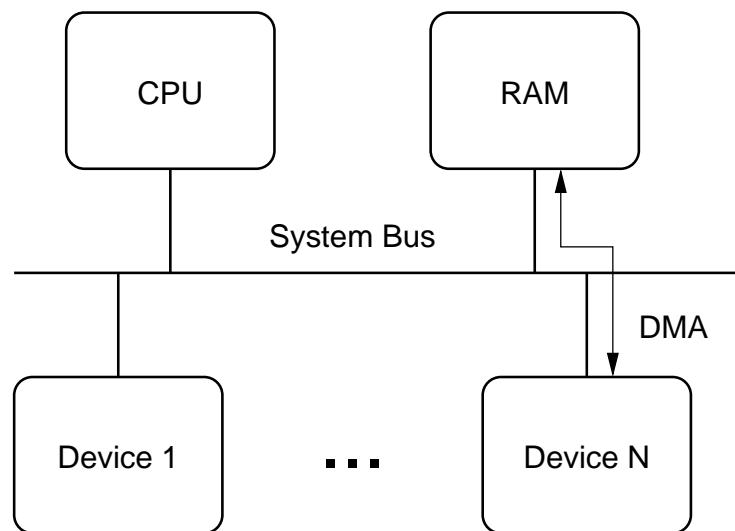
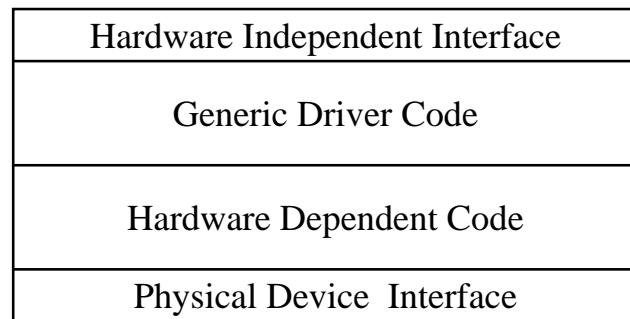
Paged Memory:



Device management

- device driver
- buffering
- spooling

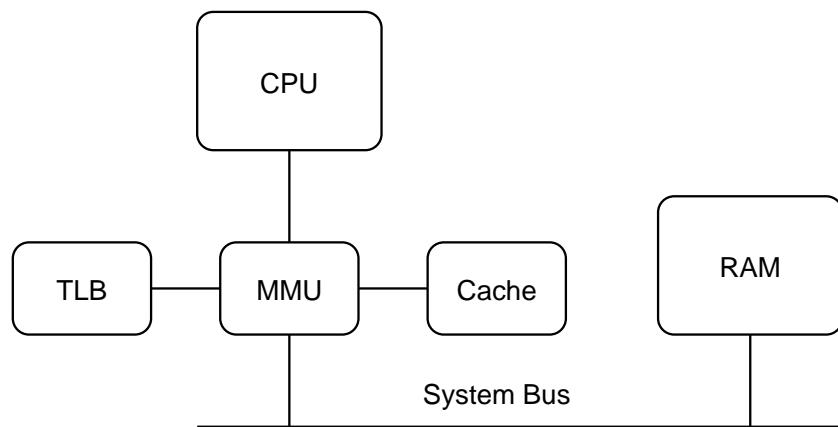
Device Drivers and DMA:



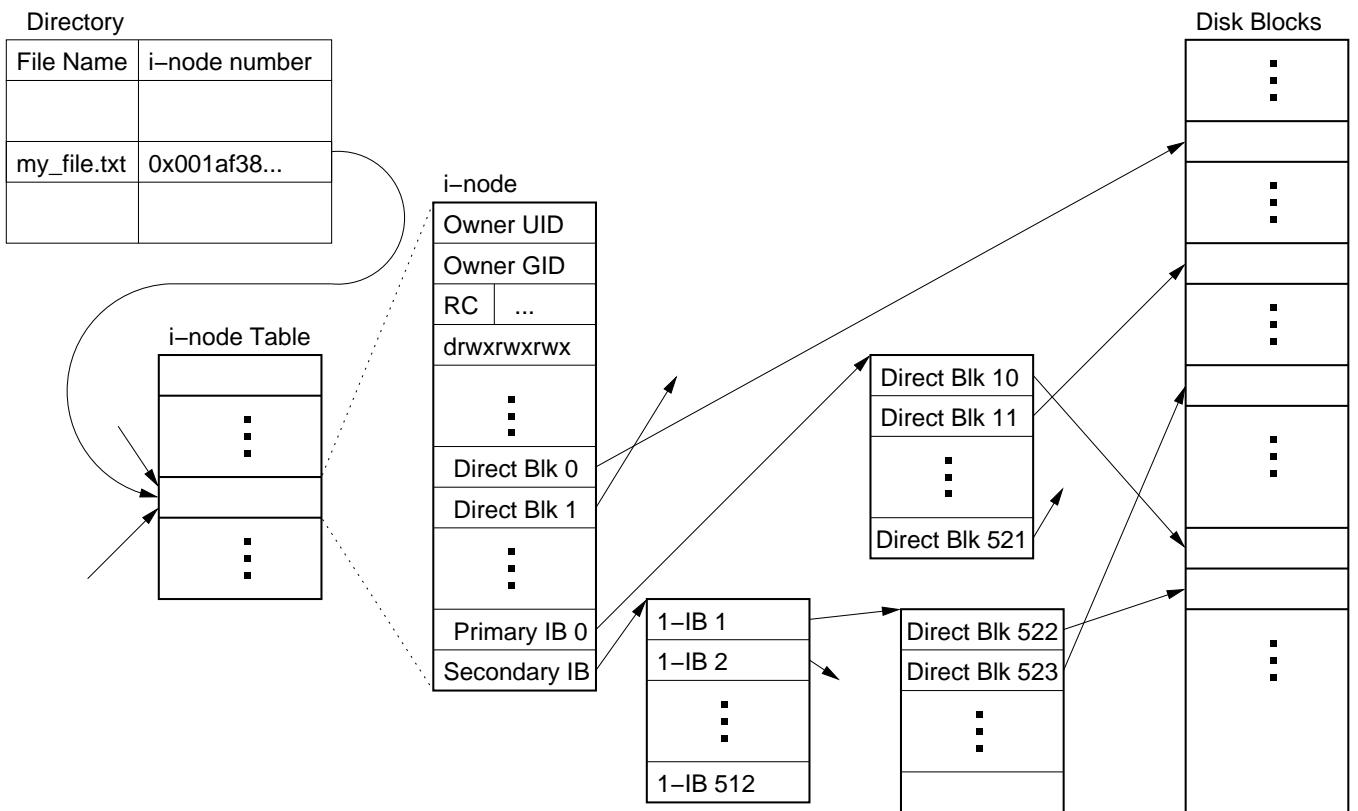
Data management

- file access
- file sharing
- concurrency control
- data replication

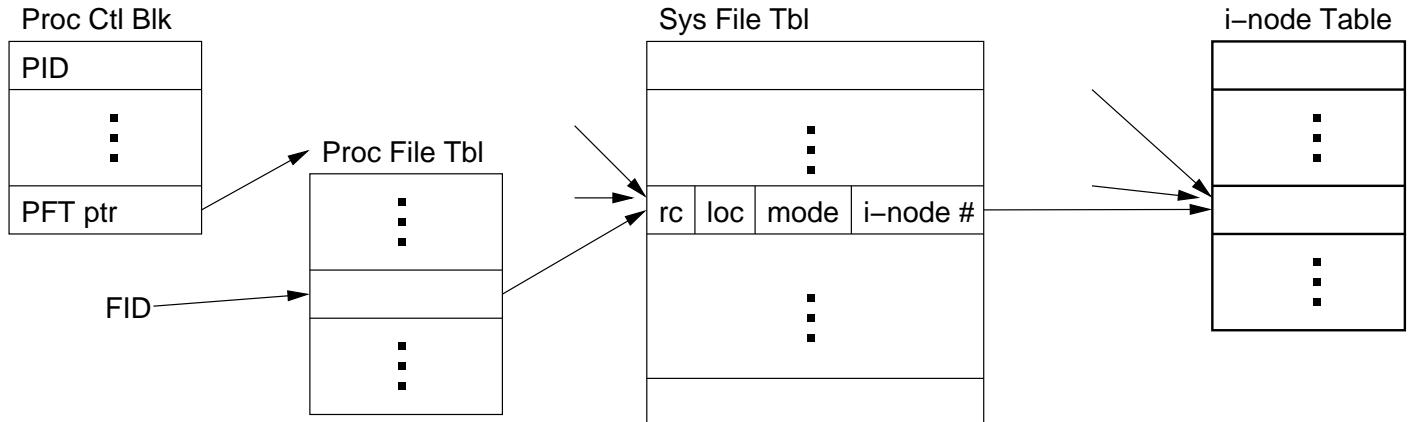
Memory Management Unit:



Unix File System:



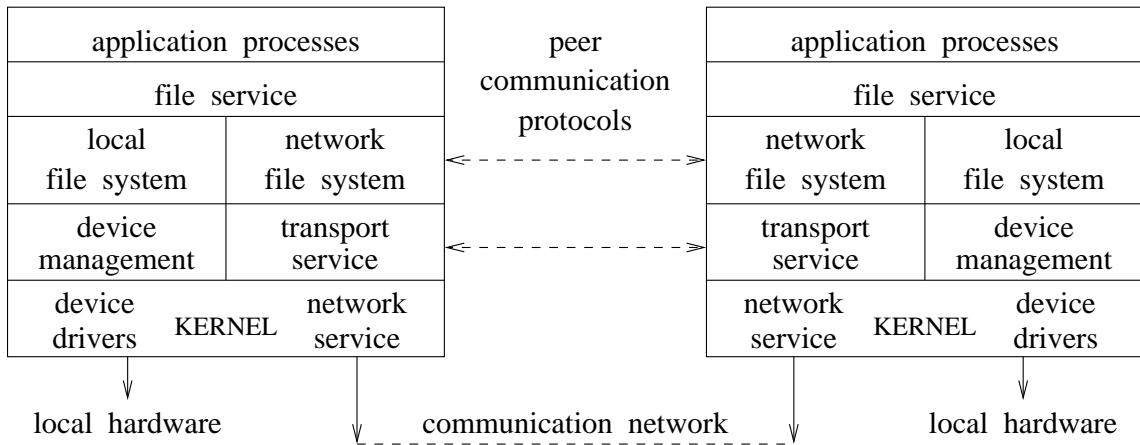
Unix File Tables:



Network operating system

- *interoperability*: ability of information exchange among heterogeneous systems
- supported by network communication protocols
- *transport service*: the primary interface between operating system and computer network
- characterized by common network applications (servers)
 - remote login
 - file transfer
 - messaging
 - browsing
 - remote execution

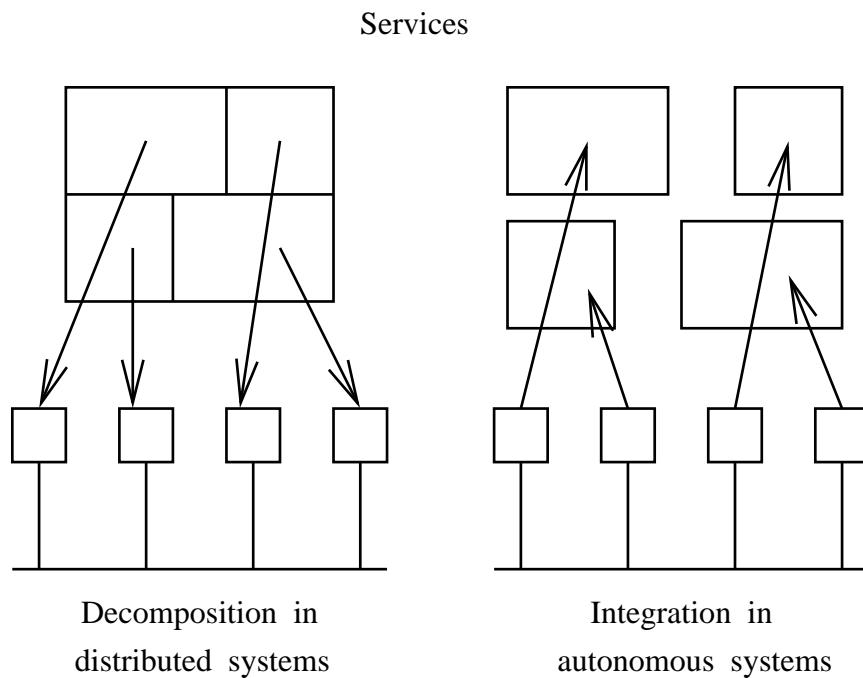
A network file system example



Distributed operating system

- transparency
- servers for supporting resource sharing and distributed processing
- algorithms to implement transparencies
- details in latter chapters

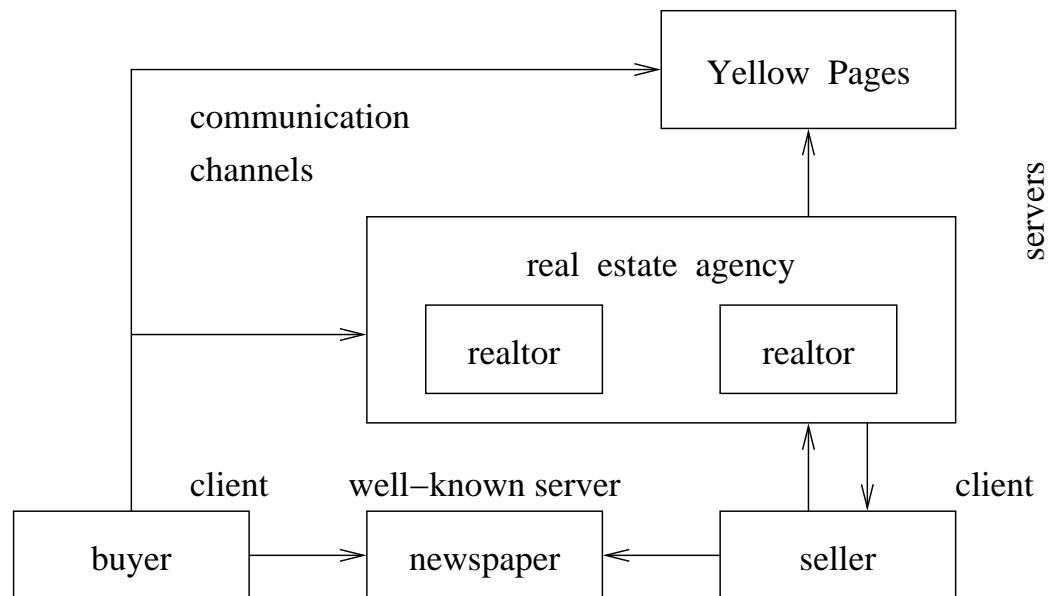
Service Decomposition vs. Integration



Cooperative autonomous system

- client/server model
- object model
- software bus (middleware, broker, or trader)
- CORBA and ODP
- Peer-to-Peer (P2P) systems
- Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) systems

An example of cooperative autonomous system



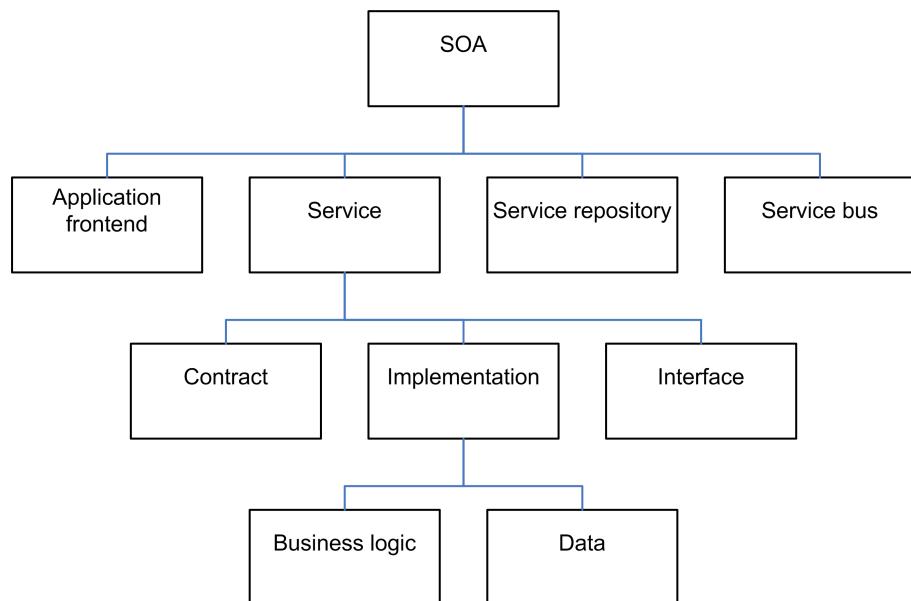
Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)

(from http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Service-oriented_architecture)

Guiding Principles

- Reuse, granularity, modularity, composability, componentization, interoperability
- Standards compliance
- Service identification and categorization, provisioning and delivery, monitoring and tracking

SOA Elements



General idea of usage is to "orchestrate" services to develop application.

Specific SOA Architectural Principles

- Service encapsulation - minimal interface
- Service loose coupling - minimize dependencies
- Service contract - documented specification and agreement
- Service abstraction - internals hidden
- Service reusability - intentional packaging of multi-use services
- Service composability - composite services formed from building blocks
- Service autonomy - owners control logic encapsulated by services offered
- Service optimization - clients can "shop" for the "best" service
- Service discoverability - meaningful descriptions available through discovery mechanisms
- Service relevance - granularity is right for meaningful service

Why do we need distributed control algorithms?

An algorithm is sometimes called protocol if it specifies coordination more than computation.

- algorithm changes due to message passing
- need for consensus algorithms due to lack of global information
- concurrency control algorithms to avoid interference in resource sharing
- coherency control algorithms to maintain consistency for data replication
- protocols for group communication in distributed applications
- fault-tolerance algorithms for handling failure and recovery
- real-time and distributed scheduling algorithms