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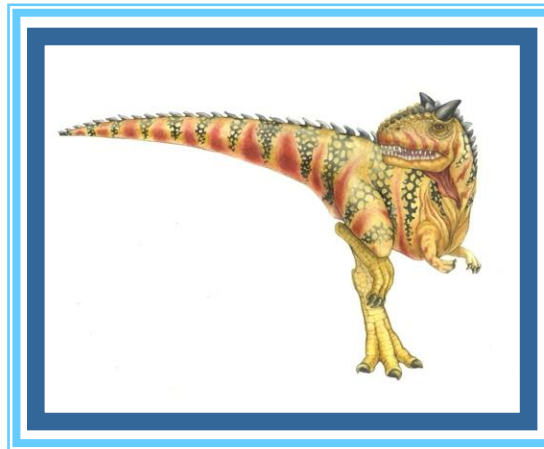
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- Operating System Services
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# Objectives

- Identify services provided by an operating system

- Illustrate how **system calls** are used to provide operating system services

- Compare and contrast monolithic, layered, microkernel, modular, and hybrid strategies for designing operating systems

# Operating System Services

- OS provides an environment for

  - Execution of programs

  - Other services to programs and users

- One set of OS services - OS functions that are helpful to the user:

  - User interface - Almost all operating systems have a user interface (**UI**) - Command-Line (CLI), Graphics User Interface (GUI), touch-screen,

  - Program execution - The system must be able to load a program into memory and to run that program, end execution, either normally or abnormally (indicating error)

  - I/O operations -  A running program may require I/O, which may involve a file or an I/O device

# Operating System Services (Cont.)

- File-system manipulation - The file system is of particular importance. Programs need to read and write files and directories, search, create and delete them, list file Information, permission management.

- Communications – Processes may exchange information, on the same computer or between computers over a network
  - Communications may be via shared memory or through message passing (packets moved by the OS)

- Error detection – OS needs to be constantly aware of possible errors
  - May occur in CPU and memory, in I/O devices, in user programs
  - For each type of error, OS must take appropriate actions to ensure correct and consistent computing
  - Debugging facilities can greatly enhance the user's and programmer's abilities to efficiently use the system
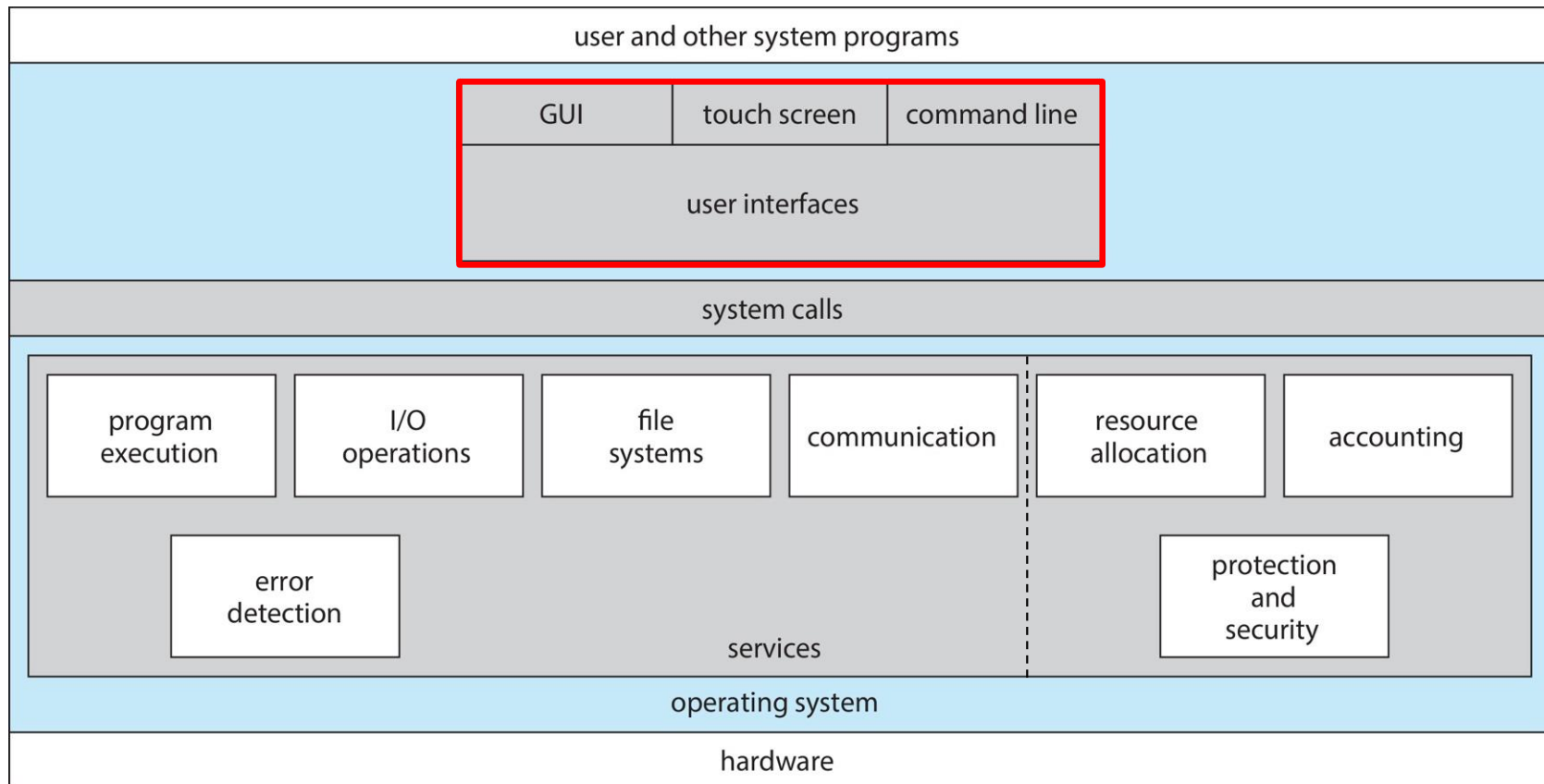
# Operating System Services (Cont.)

- Another set of OS services – OS functions for ensuring the *efficient* operation of the system itself via resource sharing

- Resource allocation - When multiple users or multiple jobs run concurrently, resources must be allocated to each of them
  - Many types of resources - CPU cycles, memory, file storage, I/O devices.
- Logging - To keep track of which users use how much and what kinds of computer resources

- Protection and security - The owners of information stored in a multiuser or networked system may want to control the use of that information, concurrent processes should not interfere with each other

  - Protection involves ensuring that all access to system resources is controlled
  - Security of the system from outsiders requires user authentication, extends to defending external I/O devices from invalid access attempts

# A View of Operating System Services

| user and other system programs | | |
|---|---|---|

| GUI | touch screen | command line |
|---|---|---|

user interfaces

system calls

| program execution | I/O operations | file systems | communication | resource allocation | accounting |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|

| error detection | | | | protection and security |

services

operating system

hardware

# User Operating System Interface - CLI

- There are generally **three approaches**. One provides a command-line interface (CLI), or command interpreter, that allows users to directly enter commands to be performed by the operating system. The other two allow users to interface with the OS via a graphical user interface, or GUI, and touch screen

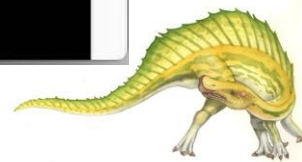CLI or command interpreter allows direct command entry

- Sometimes implemented in kernel, sometimes by system programs
- Sometimes multiple flavors implemented – **shells** in Unix or Linux
- The primary functionality of a shell is to (1) fetches a command from user, (2) interprets it and (3) executes it
- UNIX and Linux systems provide different version of shells, such as C shell, Bourne-Again shell, Korn shell, and others

# Bourne Shell Command Interpreter

# User Operating System Interface - GUI

- User-friendly desktop metaphor interface

    - Usually mouse, keyboard, and monitor

    - Icons represent files, programs, directories, and system functions

    - Various mouse buttons over objects in the interface cause various actions (provide information, options, execute function, open directory (known as a folder)

    - Invented at Xerox PARC earlier 1970s, first widely use in Apple Macintosh (the first Mac released in 1984 replacing Apple II in 70s)

- Many systems now provide both CLI and GUI interfaces

    - Microsoft Windows uses GUI with CLI "command" shell

    - Apple Mac OS X is "Aqua" GUI interface with UNIX kernel underneath and shells available

    - Unix and Linux have CLI with optional GUI interfaces (KDE, GNOME)

# The Mac OS X GUI
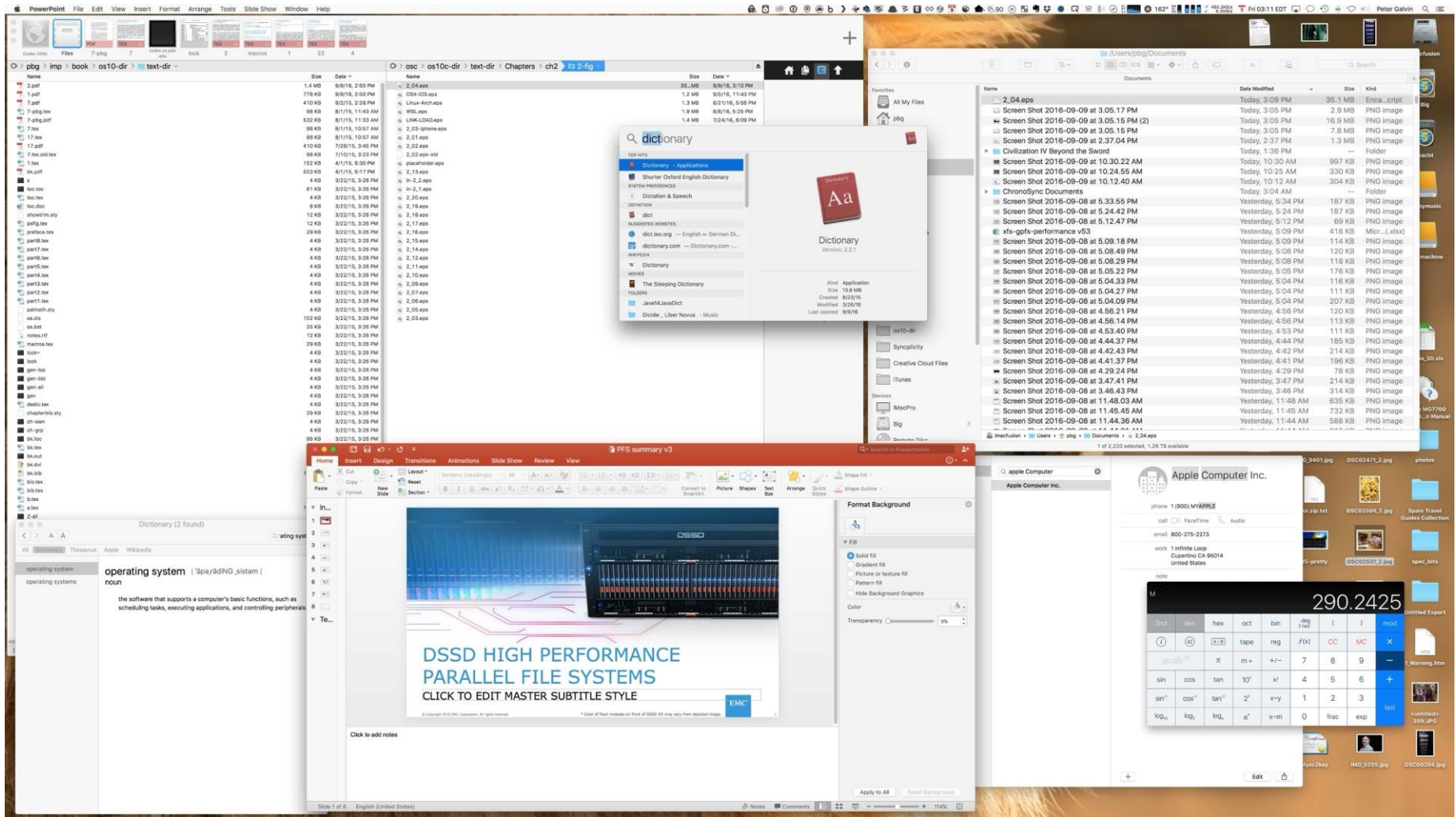
# Touchscreen Interfaces

☐ Touchscreen devices require new interfaces 界面 不可行　不需要

    ☐ Mouse not feasible or not desired

    ☐ Actions and selection based on gestures

    ☐ Virtual keyboard for text

☐ Voice command

    ☐ iPhone Siri
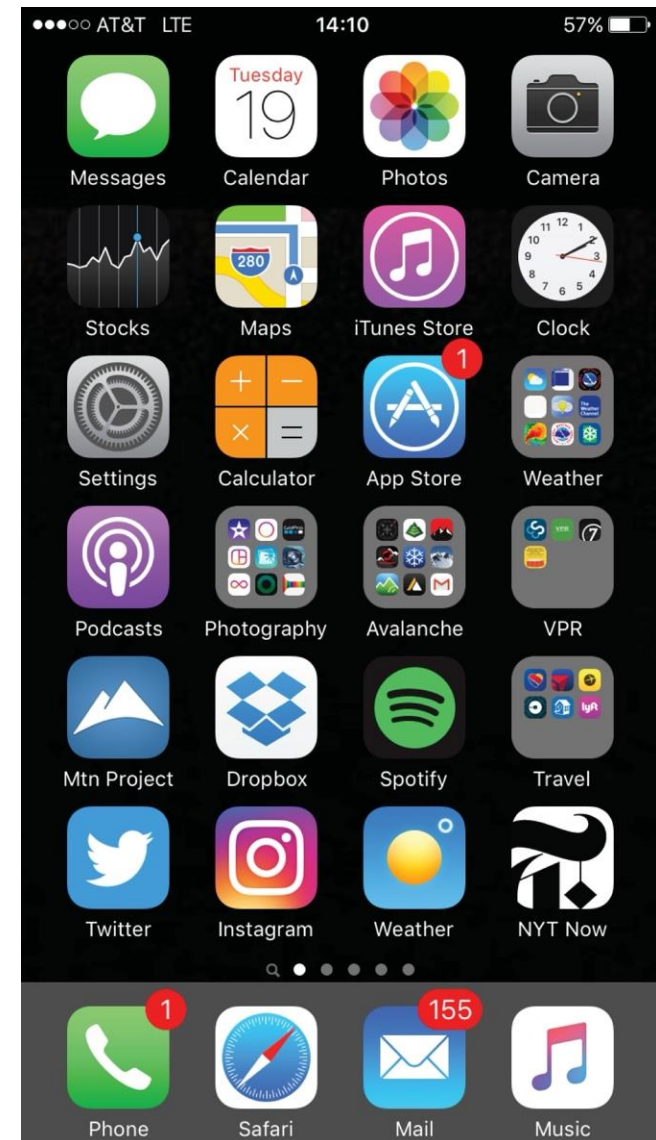
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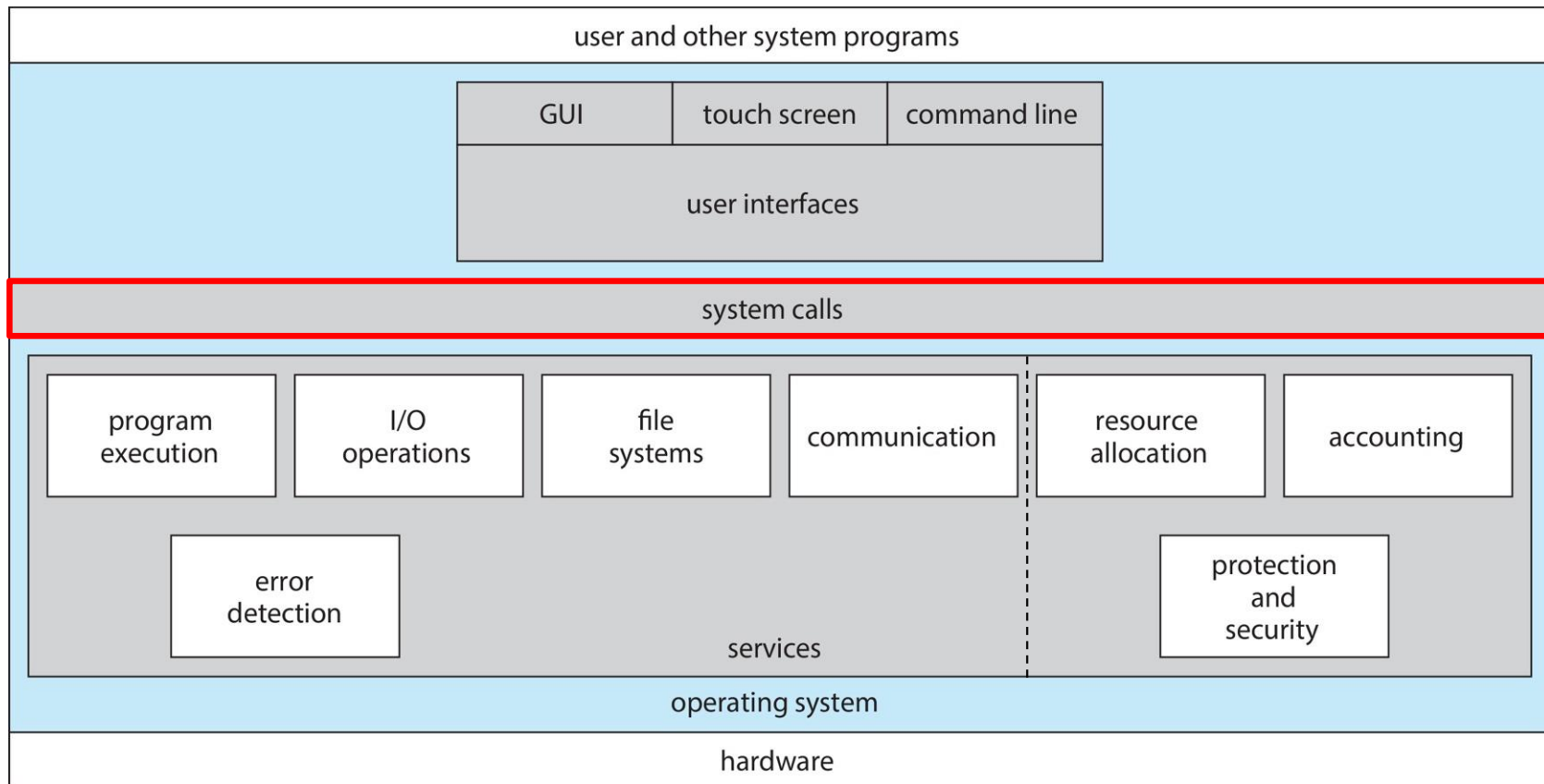
# System Calls (cont.)

编程接口

- **Programming interface** to the services provided by the OS

- The system calls are generally available as functions written in a high-level language (C/C++), certain low-level tasks are written in assembly languages (accessing hardware)

- An example: cp in.txt out.txt – involves a sequence of system calls

source file ──────────────→ destination file

Example System Call Sequence

Acquire input file name
 Write prompt to screen
 Accept input
Acquire output file name
 Write prompt to screen
 Accept input
Open the input file
 if file doesn't exist, abort
Create output file
 if file exists, abort
Loop
 Read from input file
 Write to output file
Until read fails
Close output file
Write completion message to screen
Terminate normally

Copying one file to another
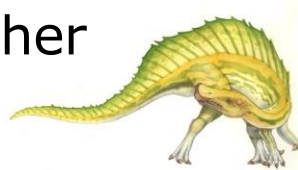
# System Calls - API

应用程序编程接口

- Application Program Interface (API) specifies a set of functions that are available for application programmers to use, including the parameters passed to the function and return values it may expect

- The functions that make up an API typically invoke the actual system calls on behalf of the application programmer

  - For example, the Windows function CreateProcess() invokes the NTCreateProcess() system call in the Windows kernel

- A programmer access APIs via a library provided by the OS

  - In the case of UNIX and Linux for programs written in the C language, the library is called **libc**

- Three most common APIs for programming

  - Win32 API for Windows systems

  - POSIX API for POSIX-based systems (including virtually all versions of UNIX, Linux, and Mac OS X)

  - Java API for the Java virtual machine (JVM)

# Example of Standard API

Library header file provided by Linux

```
#include <unistd.h>

ssize_t    read(int fd, void *buf, size_t count)
```

return value     function name     parameters

Parameters
- `int fd` – the file descriptor to be read
- `void *buf` – a buffer where the data will be read into
- `size_t count` – the maximum number of bytes to be read into the buffer

Return value
- 0 indicates end of file
- -1 indicates an error has occurred

# System Calls – API (cont.)

**Advantages** - why use APIs rather than directly invoking system calls?

☐ Program portability – a programmer using an API expects the program to compile and run on any system that supports the same API – the implementation of system calls vary from machines to machines

☐ Hide the complex details of the system call from users

  ☐ The actual system calls can often be more detailed and difficult to work with than the API available for an application programmer

  ☐ A caller of an API (e.g., the program) need know nothing about how the system call is implemented or what it does during execution. Rather, the caller need only obey the API (format) and understand what the operating system will do as a result of the execution of that system call

# System Call Implementation

系统调用实现

- For most programming languages, the run-time environment (RTE) (a set of functions built into libraries) provide a system call interface that serves as the link to system calls made available by the operating system 系统调用接口

  - An identity number is associated with each system call

  - The system-call interface maintains 维护 a table indexed according to these numbers

- The system call interface - functions 用途：

  - intercept function calls in the API

  - invokes the necessary system call within the OS, and

  - returns status of the system call and return value(s), if any

# API – System Call – OS Relationship

The caller knows nothing about how a system call is implemented
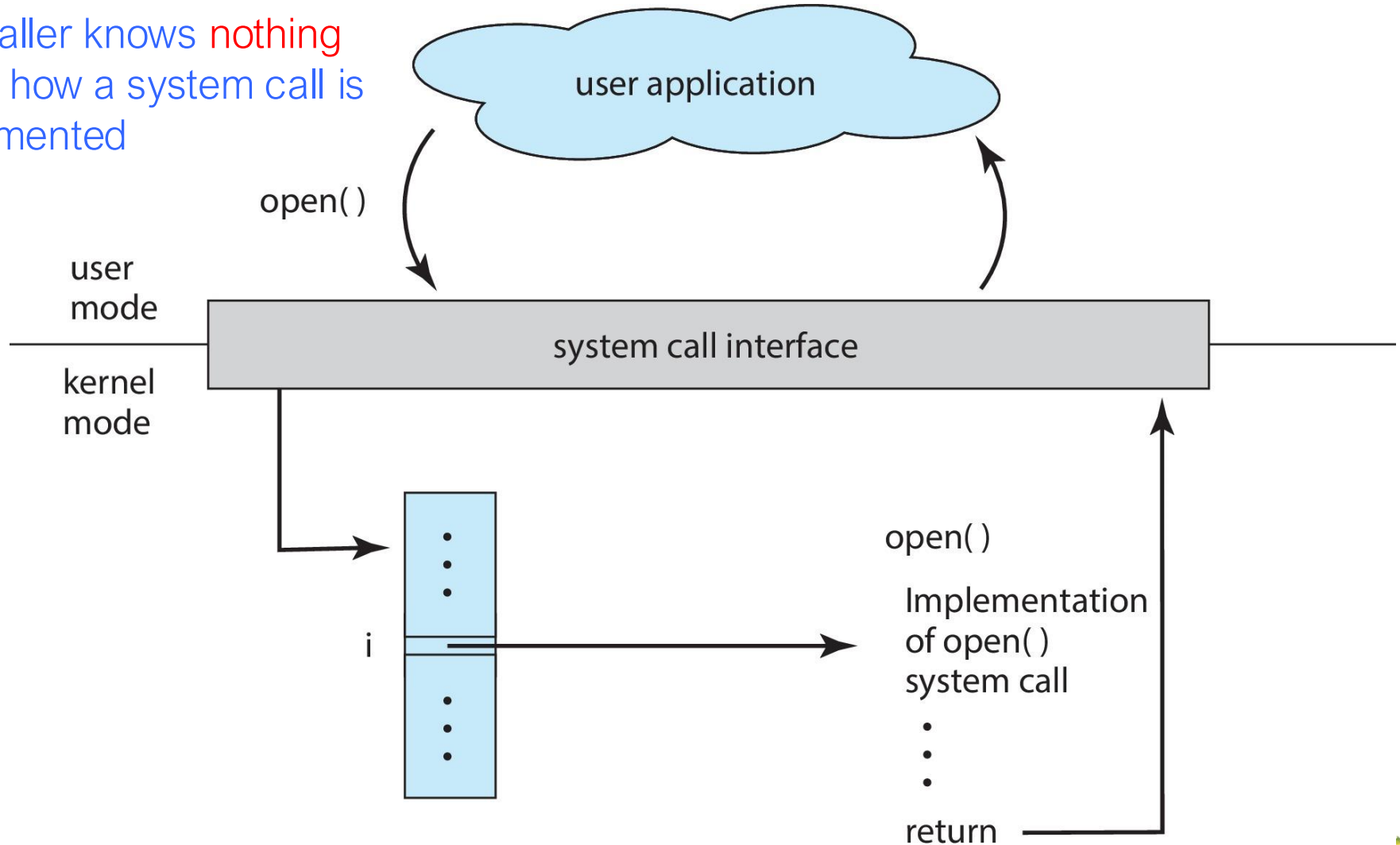
API（应用程序编程接口）是软件之间的接口，允许不同的软件组件进行通信。系统调用是程序请求操作系统执行特定任务的方式，比如访问文件或使用网络。操作系统（OS）是管理计算机硬件和软件资源的系统。

它们之间的关系是：应用程序通过API与操作系统交互，使用系统调用来请求操作系统执行具体的操作。简单来说，API是程序与操作系统之间的桥梁，系统调用是实际的请求方式。

# System Call Parameter Passing

系统调用参数传递

- ☐ Often, more information is required than the identity of desired system call
  - ☐ Exact type and amount of information vary according to OS and call
- ☐ Three general methods are used to pass parameters from user programs to the OS
  - ① ☐ Simplest – pass the parameters in registers
    - ▸ In some cases, may be more parameters than registers
  - ② ☐ Block method– parameters stored in a block, or table, in memory, and address of block passed as a parameter in a register
  - ③ ☐ Stack method– parameters placed, or pushed, onto the stack by the program and popped off the stack by the OS

  Block and stack methods do not limit the number or length of parameters being passed

# Parameter Passing via Table
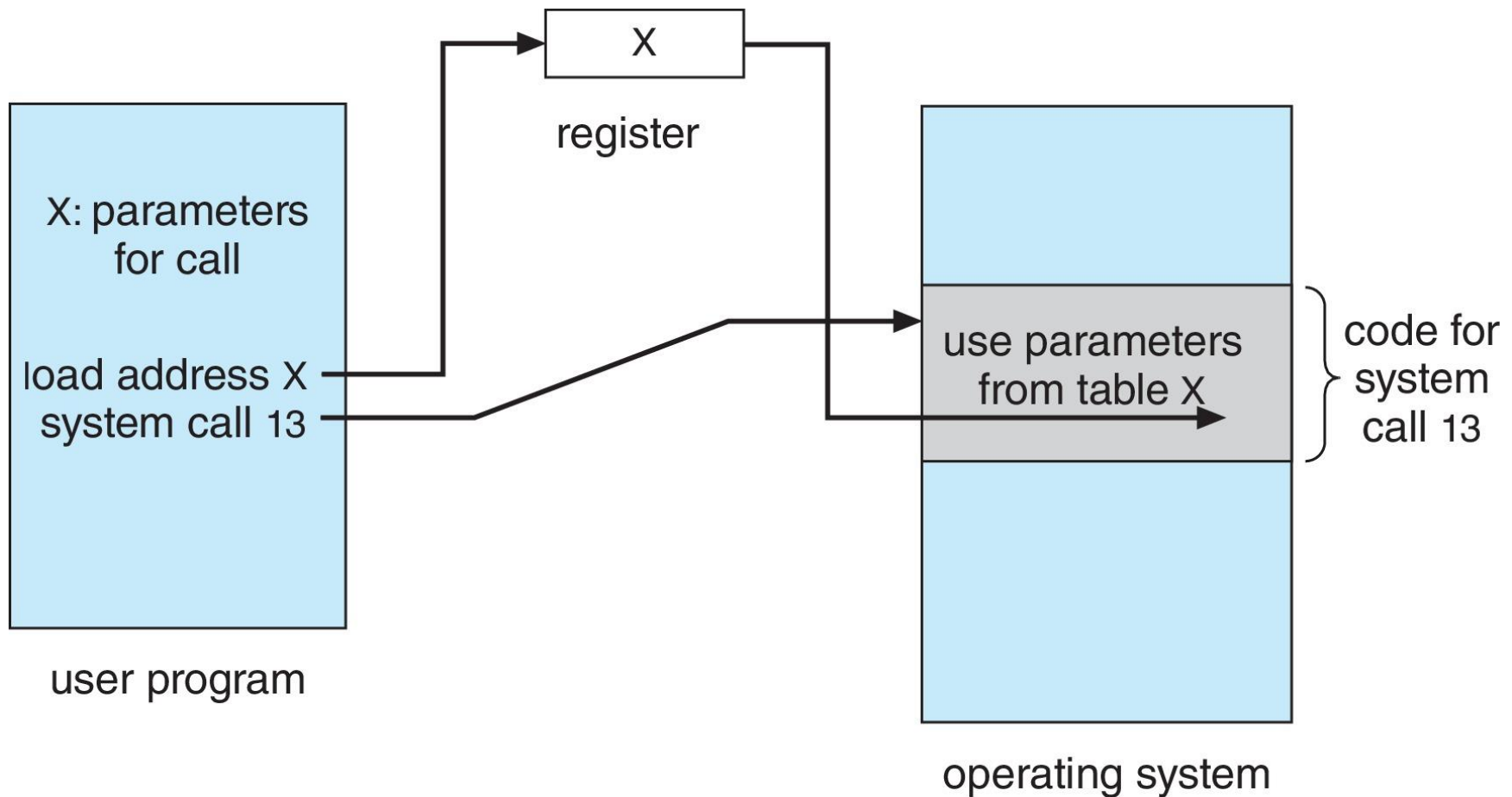
# Types of System Calls

- Process control
  - create process, terminate process
  - end, abort
  - load, execute
  - get process attributes, set process attributes
  - wait for time
  - wait event, signal event
  - allocate and free memory
  - Dump memory if error
  - Debugger for determining bugs, single step execution
  - Locks for managing access to shared data between processes

# Types of System Calls (Cont.)

- File management
    - create file, delete file
    - open, close file
    - read, write, reposition
    - get and set file attributes

- Device management
    - request device, release device
    - read, write, reposition
    - get device attributes, set device attributes
    - logically attach or detach devices

# Types of System Calls (Cont.)

- Information maintenance
    - get time or date, set time or date
    - get system data, set system data
    - get and set process, file, or device attributes
- Communications
    - create, delete communication connection
    - send, receive messages if message passing model to host name or process name
    - Shared-memory model create and gain access to memory regions
    - transfer status information
    - attach and detach remote devices
- Protection
    - Control access to resources, get and set permissions
    - Allow and deny user access

# Examples of Windows and Unix System Calls

**EXAMPLES OF WINDOWS AND UNIX SYSTEM CALLS**

The following illustrates various equivalent system calls for Windows and UNIX operating systems.

| | Windows | Unix |
|---|---|---|
| **Process control** | CreateProcess()<br>ExitProcess()<br>WaitForSingleObject() | fork()<br>exit()<br>wait() |
| **File management** | CreateFile()<br>ReadFile()<br>WriteFile()<br>CloseHandle() | open()<br>read()<br>write()<br>close() |
| **Device management** | SetConsoleMode()<br>ReadConsole()<br>WriteConsole() | ioctl()<br>read()<br>write() |
| **Information maintenance** | GetCurrentProcessID()<br>SetTimer()<br>Sleep() | getpid()<br>alarm()<br>sleep() |
| **Communications** | CreatePipe()<br>CreateFileMapping()<br>MapViewOfFile() | pipe()<br>shm_open()<br>mmap() |
| **Protection** | SetFileSecurity()<br>InitlializeSecurityDescriptor()<br>SetSecurityDescriptorGroup() | chmod()<br>umask()<br>chown() |

# Standard C Library Example

☐ C program invoking `printf()` library call, which calls `write()` system call

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
   ⋮
   printf ("Greetings");
   ⋮
   return 0;
}
```

user mode

kernel mode

standard C library

write( )

write( ) system call
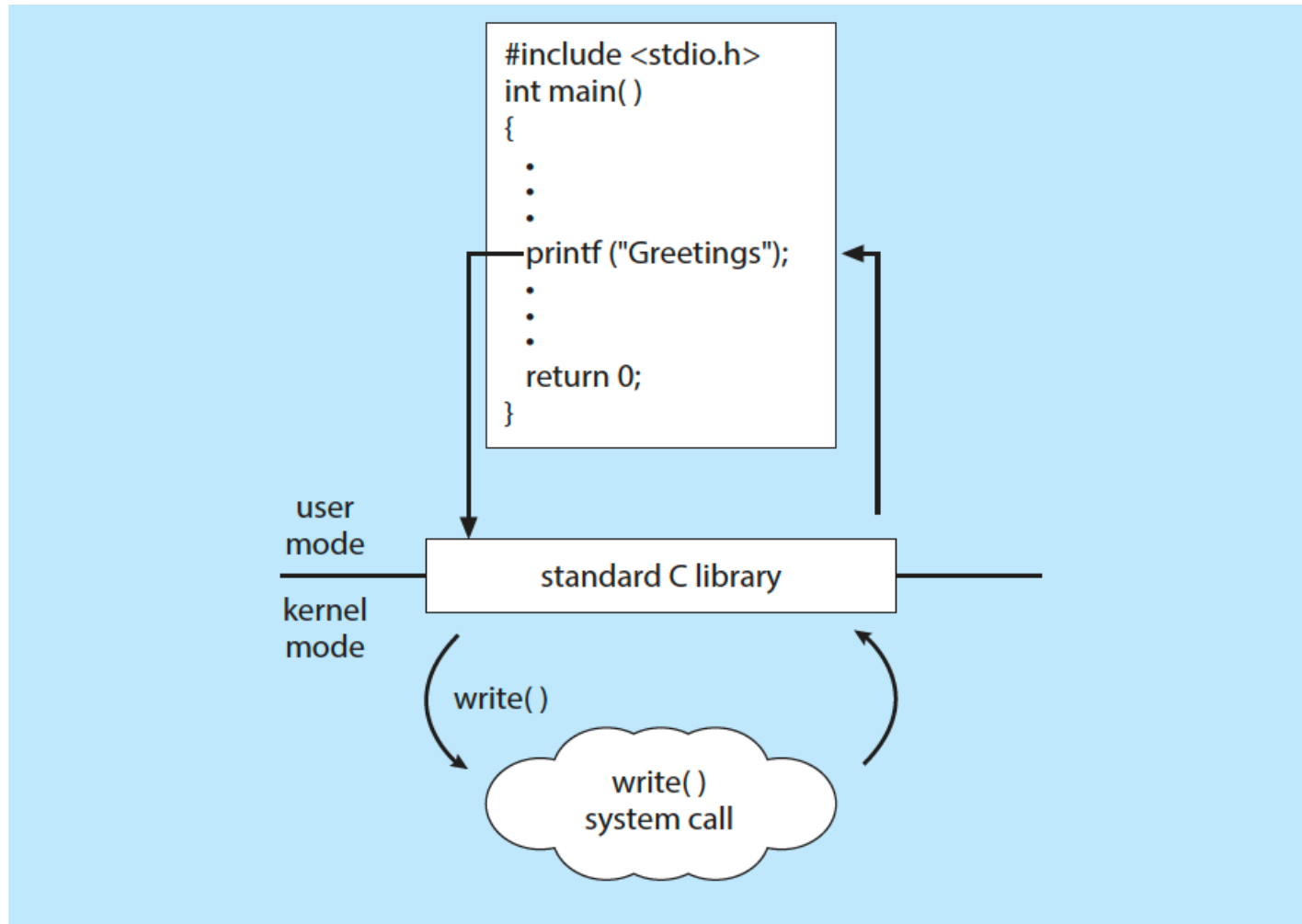
# Example: MS-DOS

- Single-tasking

- Shell invoked when system booted 启动

- Simple to run a program
  - No process created

- Single memory space

- Loads program into memory, overwriting all but the kernel

- Program exit -> *shell* reloaded
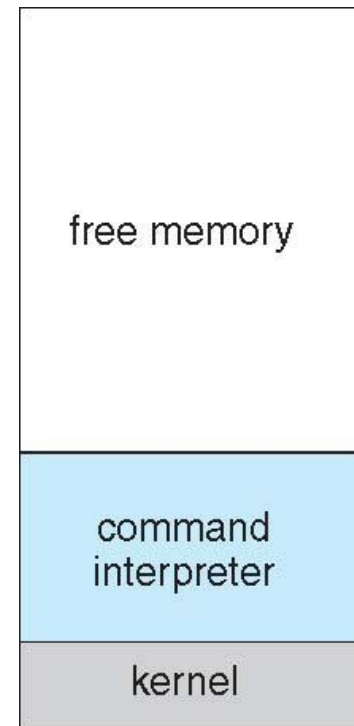


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At system startup
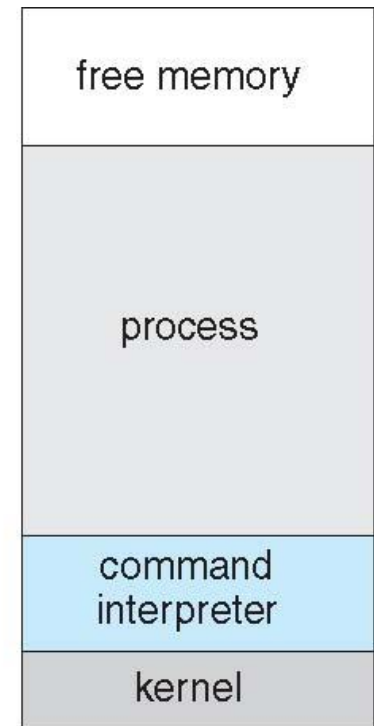
(b)

running a program

# System Programs

- Another aspect of a modern computer system is its collection of system services

  系统实用程序

- System services, or system programs, or system utilities, provide a convenient environment for program development and execution
  - Some of them are simply user interfaces to system calls; others are considerably more complex

- The view of the operating system seen by most users is defined by the application and system programs, not the actual system calls
  - Considering a GUI featuring a mouse-and-windows interface, and a command line UNIX shell. Both essentially use the same set of system calls, but system calls appear very differently and act in different ways – user view

# System Programs (Cont.)

- **File management**
  - Create, delete, copy, rename, print, dump, list, and generally manipulate files and directories

- **Status information**
  - Some ask the system for the date, time, amount of available memory, disk space, number of users
  - Others provide detailed performance, logging, and debugging information

- **File modification**
  - Text editors to create and modify files
  - Special commands to search file contents or perform transformations of the text

# System Programs (Cont.)

☐ Programming-language support

    ☐ Compilers, assemblers, debuggers, and interpreters for common programming languages (such as C, C++, Java, and Python) are often provided

☐ Program loading and execution

    ☐ Absolute loaders, relocatable loaders, linkage editors, and overlay-loaders, debugging systems for higher-level and machine language

☐ Communications - provide the mechanism for creating virtual connections among processes, users, and computer systems

    ☐ Allow users to send messages to one another's screens, browse web pages, send electronic-mail messages, log in remotely, transfer files from one machine to another

# System Programs (Cont.)

- Background services
  - Launch at boot time
    - Some of these processes terminate after completing their tasks
    - Some continue to run until the system is halted, often known as services, subsystems, or daemons
  - Provide facilities like disk checking, process scheduling, error logging

- Application programs
  - Not part of the operating system
  - Launched by command line, mouse click, finger poke
  - Examples include web browsers, word processors, text formatters, spreadsheets, database systems, and games.

# Linkers and Loaders

- Source codes are compiled into object files designed to be loaded into any physical memory location – relocatable object files

- **Linker** combines these object files into a single binary executable file, along with libraries if needed

- Programs reside on the secondary storage as binary executables, which must be brought into memory by **loader** to be executed

  - Relocation assigns final addresses to program parts and adjusts code and data in program to match those addresses (to be discussed later)

- Modern general-purpose operating systems don't link libraries into executables statically

  - Rather, dynamically linked libraries (in Windows, DLLs) are loaded when needed, which are shared by all programs that use the same version of that same library (loaded only once)

- Object files, executable files have standard formats（machine codes and symbolic tables), so operating system knows how to load and start them

链接器和加载器是计算机程序开发中的两个重要工具。

**链接器**：它的主要功能是将多个目标文件（编译后的代码）合并成一个可执行文件。链接器会处理函数和变量的引用，确保它们在最终程序中正确连接。

**加载器**：它负责将可执行文件加载到内存中，以便计算机可以运行它。加载器会分配内存空间，准备程序的执行环境，并将程序的代码和数据放入内存中。

简单来说，链接器把程序的各个部分组合在一起，而加载器则把组合好的程序放入内存中准备执行。

# The Role of the Linker and Loader



```
                              main.c

    compiler                  gcc -c main.c

                                   │ generates
                                   ▼

    object                    main.o
    file

other
object
files ----→ linker           gcc -o main main.o -lm

                                   │ generates
                                   ▼

    executable                main
    file

    loader                    ./main

dynamically
linked
libraries ----→ program
              in memory
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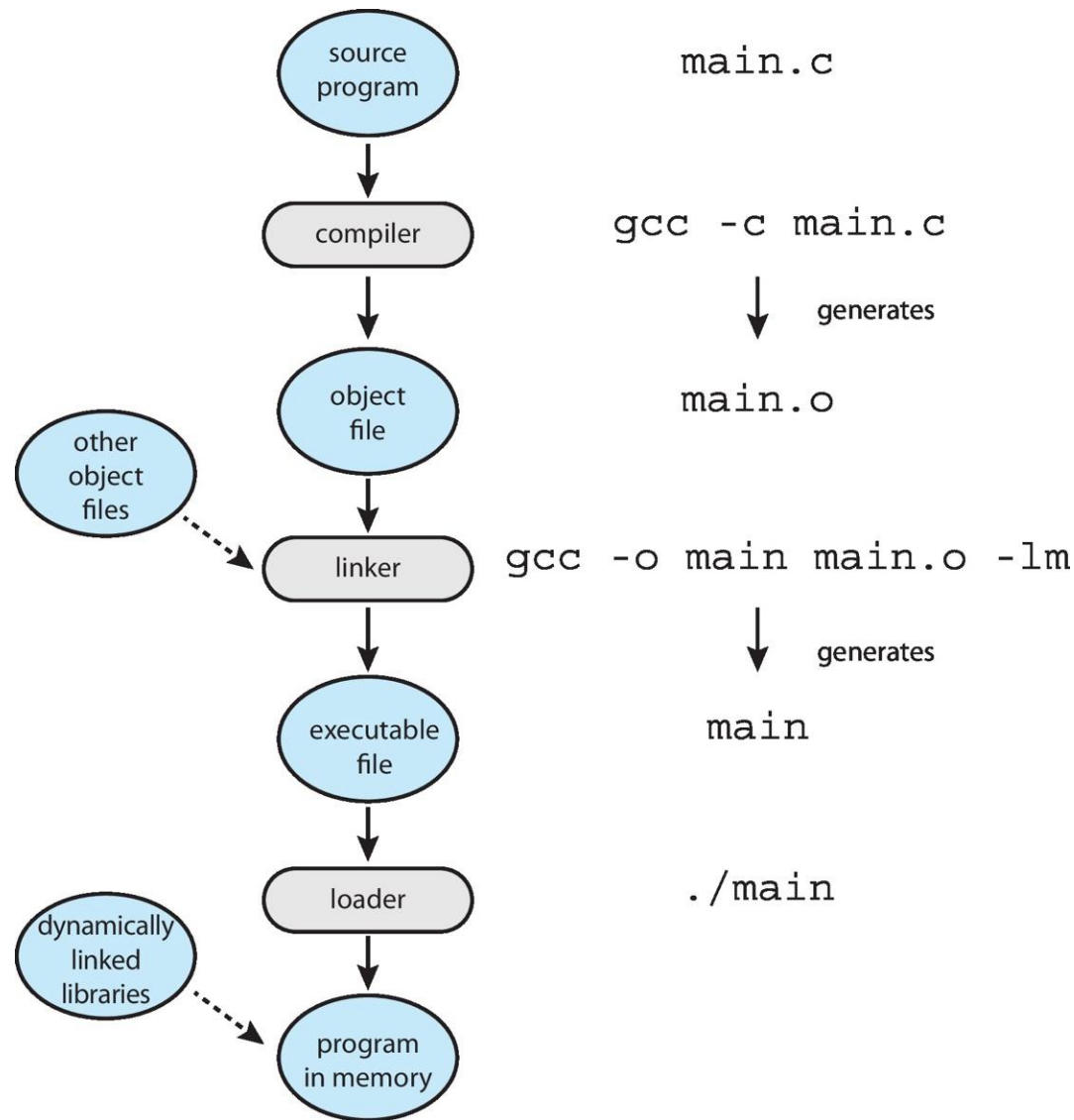
# Protection

- Protection is an internal problem, security, in contrast, must consider both the system and the environment— within which the system is used.

- OS must protect itself from user programs
  - Reliability: compromising the OS generally causes it to crash
  - Security: limit the scope of what processes can do
  - Privacy: limit each process to the data it is permitted to access
  - Fairness: each should be limited to its appropriate share of system resources

- System protection features are guided by the principle of need-to-know and implement mechanisms to enforce the principle of least privilege.

- Computer systems contain objects that must be protected from misuse. Objects may be hardware (such as memory, CPU time, and I/O devices) or software (such as files, programs, and semaphores).

# Operating System Design and Implementation

Design and Implementation of OS not "solvable", but some approaches have proven to be successful

☐ Internal structure of operating systems varies widely

☐ At the high-level, the design is affected by choice of hardware, type of the system (e.g., desktop/laptop, mobile, distributed system, or real-time)

☐ Start the design by defining goals and specifications

  ☐ User goals: operating system should be convenient to use, easy to learn and to use, reliable, safe, and fast

  ☐ System goals: operating system should be easy to design, implement, and maintain, as well as flexible, reliable, error-free, and efficient

☐ Specifying and designing an OS is a highly creative task of software engineering

- Important principle to separate

  Policy:   What will be done?
  Mechanism:  How to do it?

- Mechanisms specify how to do things; policies decide what will be done
  - A timer construct is a mechanism for ensuring CPU protection, but deciding how long the timer is to be set for a particular user is a policy decision

- The separation of policy from mechanism is a very important principle, it allows flexibility if policy decisions are changed, and they do

  - If properly separated, it can be used either to support a policy decision that I/O-intensive programs have priority over CPU-intensive ones or to support the opposite policy.

- In a nutshell, an operating system is designed with specific goals in mind. These goals ultimately determine the operating system's policies. An operating system implements these policies through specific mechanisms.

# Implementation 执行、实现

- Early OSes written in assembly languages 汇编

- Now, most are written in higher-level languages such as C or C++

    - The lowest levels of the kernel might still be in assembly languages.

    - More than one higher level language is often used. Most Android system libraries are written in C or C++, and its application frameworks are written mostly in Java

- The advantage of using high-level languages are **easier to port** to other hardware 移植

    - The code can be written faster, is more compact, and is easier to understand and debug

- The only possible disadvantages are reduced speed and increased storage requirements – not a major issue in today's computer systems
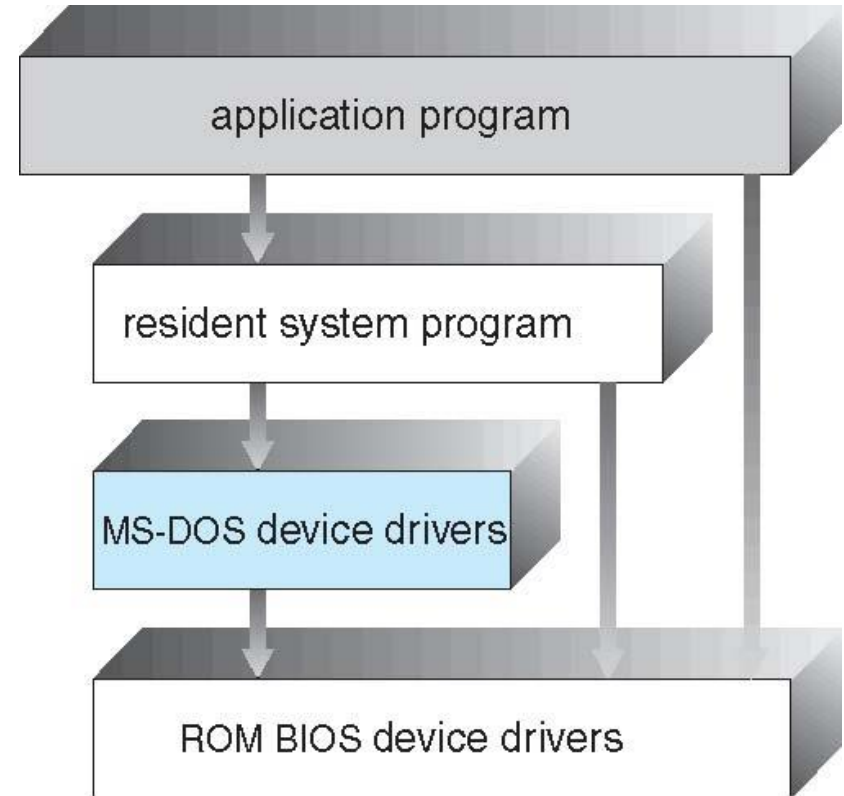
# Operating System Structure 操作系统结构

- General-purpose OS is a very large program

- **Various ways to structure ones**

  - **Monolithic** structure  整体结构

  - **Layered** – a specific type of modular approach

  - **Microkernel** – Mach OS  微内核

  - **Loadable kernel modules** or **LKMs** – modular approach

    可加载内核模块

# Simple Structure

- Such OSes do not have well-defined structures, usually started as a small, simple and limited system

- MS-DOS – written to provide the most functionality in the least space
  - Not carefully divided into modules
  - Although it has some structure, interfaces and levels of functionality are not well separated – i.e., app programs can access I/O directly
  - Written for Intel 8088 with no dual mode (kernel vs. user modes) and no hardware protection



application program

resident system program

MS-DOS device drivers

ROM BIOS device drivers

# Monolithic Structure – Original UNIX
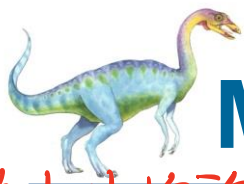
☐ In traditional UNIX, the kernel consists of everything below the system-call interface and above the physical hardware

| (the users) | | |
|---|---|---|
| shells and commands<br>compilers and interpreters<br>system libraries | | |
| *system-call interface to the kernel* | | |
| signals terminal<br>handling<br>character I/O system<br>terminal drivers | file system<br>swapping block I/O<br>system<br>disk and tape drivers | CPU scheduling<br>page replacement<br>demand paging<br>virtual memory |
| *kernel interface to the hardware* | | |
| terminal controllers<br>terminals | device controllers<br>disks and tapes | memory controllers<br>physical memory |

kernel

# Monolithic Structure – Original UNIX
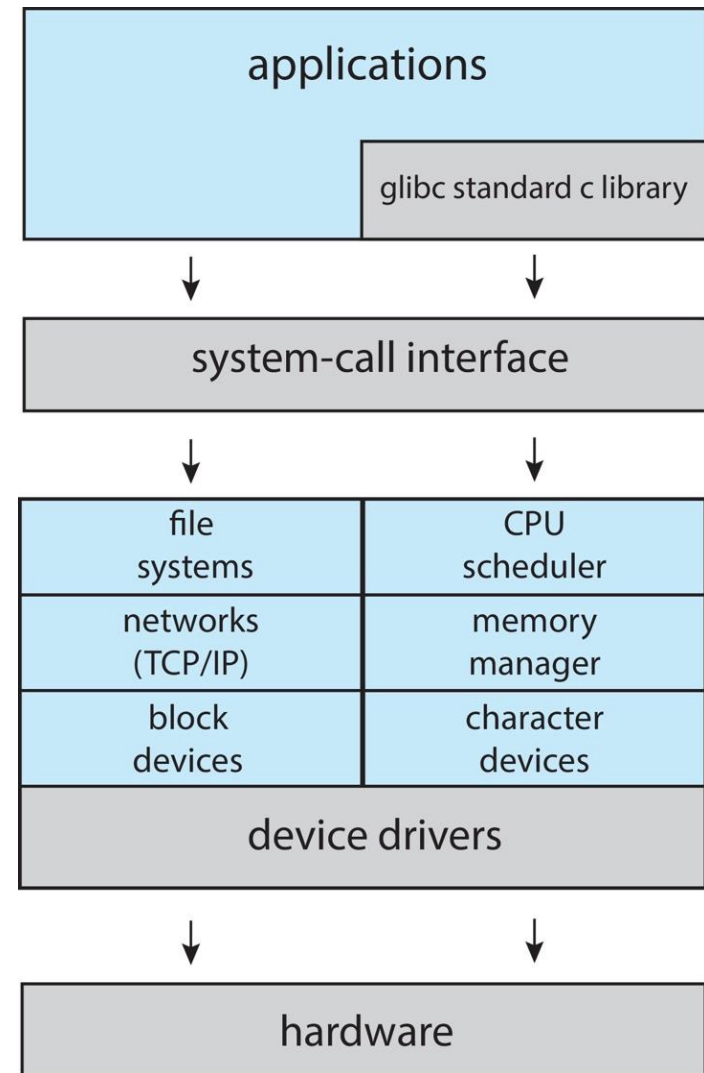
整体结构的定义:

- UNIX – initially limited by hardware functionality, the original UNIX operating system had limited structuring

- Place all functionality of the kernel into a single, static binary file that runs in a single address space - known as a monolithic structure

- The UNIX consists of two separable parts: the kernel and system programs

  - The kernel is further separated into a series of interfaces and device drivers, which have been expanded considerably over the years as UNIX evolves

缺点

- The drawback is that enormous amount of functionalities are combined to one level, making it difficult to implement, debug and maintain

明显

- Monolithic kernels have a distinct performance advantage, as there is very little overhead in the system-call interface, and communication within the kernel is fast

  - The speed and efficiency – still used in UNIX, Linux, and Windows

# Linux System Structure

- The Linux operating system is based on UNIX and is structured similarly

- The Linux kernel is monolithic in that it also runs entirely in kernel mode in a single address space

- Applications use the glibc standard C library when communicating with the system call interface to the kernel

- It has a modular design that allows the kernel to be modified during run time (LKM to be discussed)

```
applications
                    glibc standard c library

system-call interface

file        |  CPU
systems     |  scheduler
networks    |  memory
(TCP/IP)    |  manager
block       |  character
devices     |  devices

device drivers

hardware
```

# Modular Design

紧密　耦合　系统

- The monolithic approach often known as a tightly coupled system as changes to one part of the system affect other parts – essentially one big program running in one address space (to be discussed in Chapters 3-4)

- Design a loosely coupled system, which is divided into separate, smaller components, each having specific and limited functionalities

  - The advantage of the modular approach is that changes in one component affect only that component, and no others, allowing more freedom and flexibility in creating and modifying each component

- A system can be made modular in many ways. One method is the layered approach

# Layered Approach

- The OS can be divided into a number of layers, each built on top of lower layers. The bottom layer (layer 0) is the hardware; the highest (layer N) is the user interface.

- Each layer consists of data structures and a set of functions that can be invoked by higher-level layers, in turn, can invoke operations on lower-level layers

- In a nutshell, each layer utilizes the services from a lower layer (if any), provides a set of functions, and offers certain services for a higher layer (if any)



layer N
user interface

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layer 1
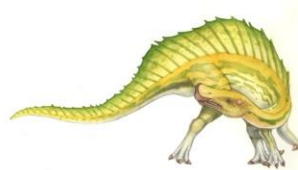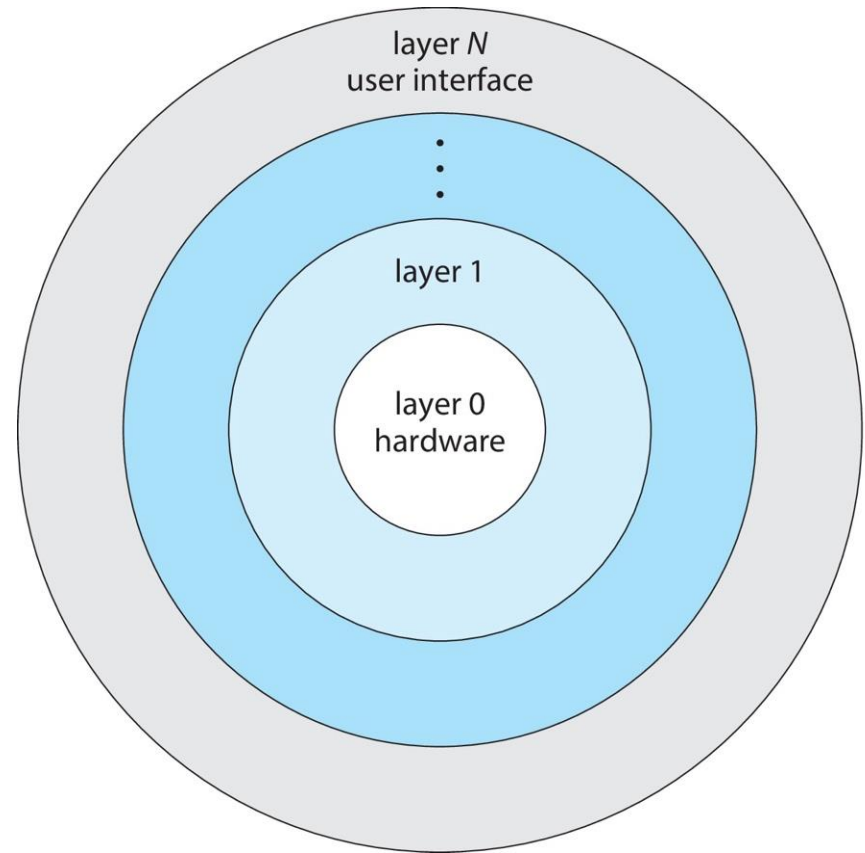
layer 0
hardware

# Layered Approach (Cont.)

- **Information hiding** : a layer does not need to know how the lower-layer operations are implemented, only what these operations do - interface

  - Each layer hides the existence of its own data structures, operations, and hardware from higher-level layers

- The main advantage of a layered approach is the simplification of the construction and debugging – starting from the lowest layer

  - Layered systems have been successfully used in many other software systems such as computer networks (e.g., TCP/IP/link-physical) and web applications

- However, few operating systems use a pure layered approach because

  - There are significant challenges in appropriately defining different layers and their respective functionalities

  - The overall performance can be affected due to the overhead of requiring a program to traverse through multiple layers to obtain a service

- The trend is to have fewer layers with more functionality and modularized code, while avoiding the problems of complex layer definition and interaction
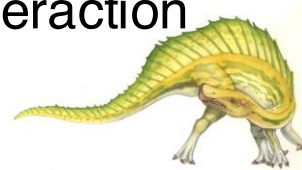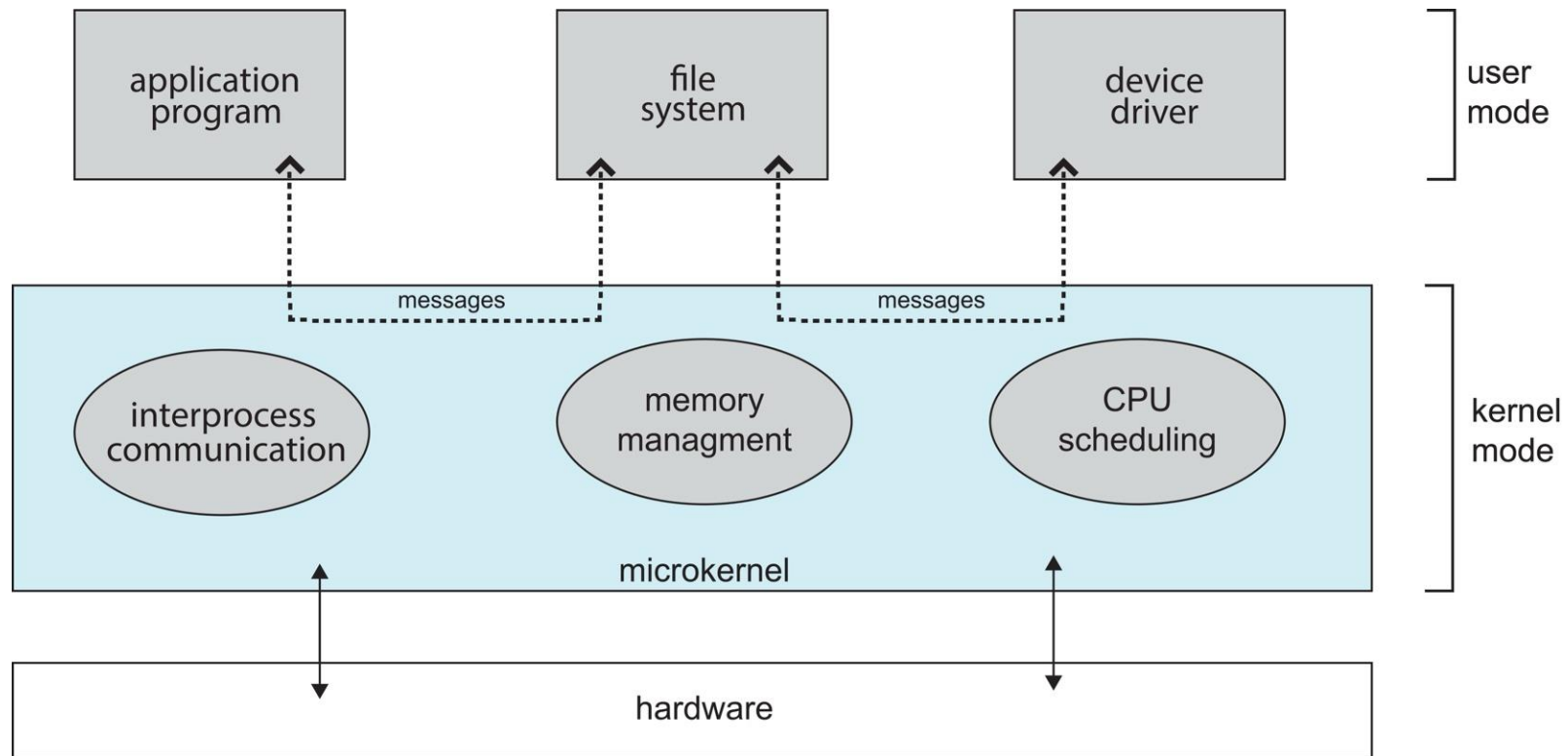
# Microkernel System Structure

- The kernel became large and difficult to manage

- Removing all nonessential components from the kernel and implementing them as system or user-level programs in separate address space

- This results in a much smaller kernel

- Mach developed at CMU in mid-1980s, modularized the kernel using the microkernel approach

  - The best-known microkernel operating system is **Darwin**, used in Mac OS X and iOS. It consists of two kernels, one of which is the Mach microkernel

- There is little consensus regarding which services should remain in the microkernel and which should be implemented in user space, but typically, microkernels provide minimal process and memory management, in addition to a communication facility

# Microkernel System Structure (Cont.)

- One main function of microkernel is to provide communications between programs and various services running in user address space through message passing

- For example, if an application program wishes to access a file, it must interact with the file server. The program and service never interact directly. Rather, they communicate indirectly by exchanging messages with the microkernel.

# Microkernel System Structure (Cont.)

- **Advantages:**
  - Easier to extend a microkernel operating system, as all new services are usually added to user space without modification on the kernel
  - When the kernel must be modified, the changes are fewer, as the kernel is much smaller
  - Easier to port the operating system to new architectures (hardware)
  - More secured and reliable (less code is running in kernel mode), since most services are running as user processes – not kernel processes. If a service fails, the rest of the OS remains untouched

- **Drawbacks:**
  - The performance of microkernels can greatly suffer due to increased system-function overhead, user space to kernel space communication
  - When two user-level services must communicate, messages must be copied between the services, which reside in separate address space

- Window NT had a layered microkernel, performance worse than Window 95, more monolithic (moving function to the kernel) with Window XP

# Modular Approach 模块化方法

☐ The best current methodology in OS design involves using loadable kernel modules or LKMs

☐ The kernel has a set of core components and can link in additional services via modules, either at boot time or during run time.

☐ The main idea is for the kernel to provide core services, while other services are implemented and added dynamically, when kernel is running

☐ Linking services dynamically is preferable to adding new features directly to the kernel, which would require recompiling the entire kernel every time a change was made

  ☐ For example, the kernel has CPU scheduling and memory management algorithms into the kernel and then add support for different file systems by way of loadable modules

# Modular Approach (Cont.)

- ☐ This resembles a layered design in that each kernel section has a well-defined, protected interface, but it is more flexible as any module can call any other module

- ☐ It also resembles a microkernel in that the primary module has only core functions and knowledge of how to load and communicate with other modules; but this is more efficient than a microkernel design because modules do not need to invoke message passing in order to communicate

- ☐ Linux uses loadable kernel modules, primarily for supporting device drivers and file systems.

- ☐ LKMs can be "inserted" into the kernel when system is booted or during run time, can also be removed from the kernel during run time as well
  - ☐ For example, a USB device is plugged into a running machine. If the Linux kernel does not have the necessary driver, it can be dynamically loaded.

- ☐ This allows a dynamic and modular kernel, while maintaining the performance benefits of a monolithic system for efficiency

# Solaris Modular Approach
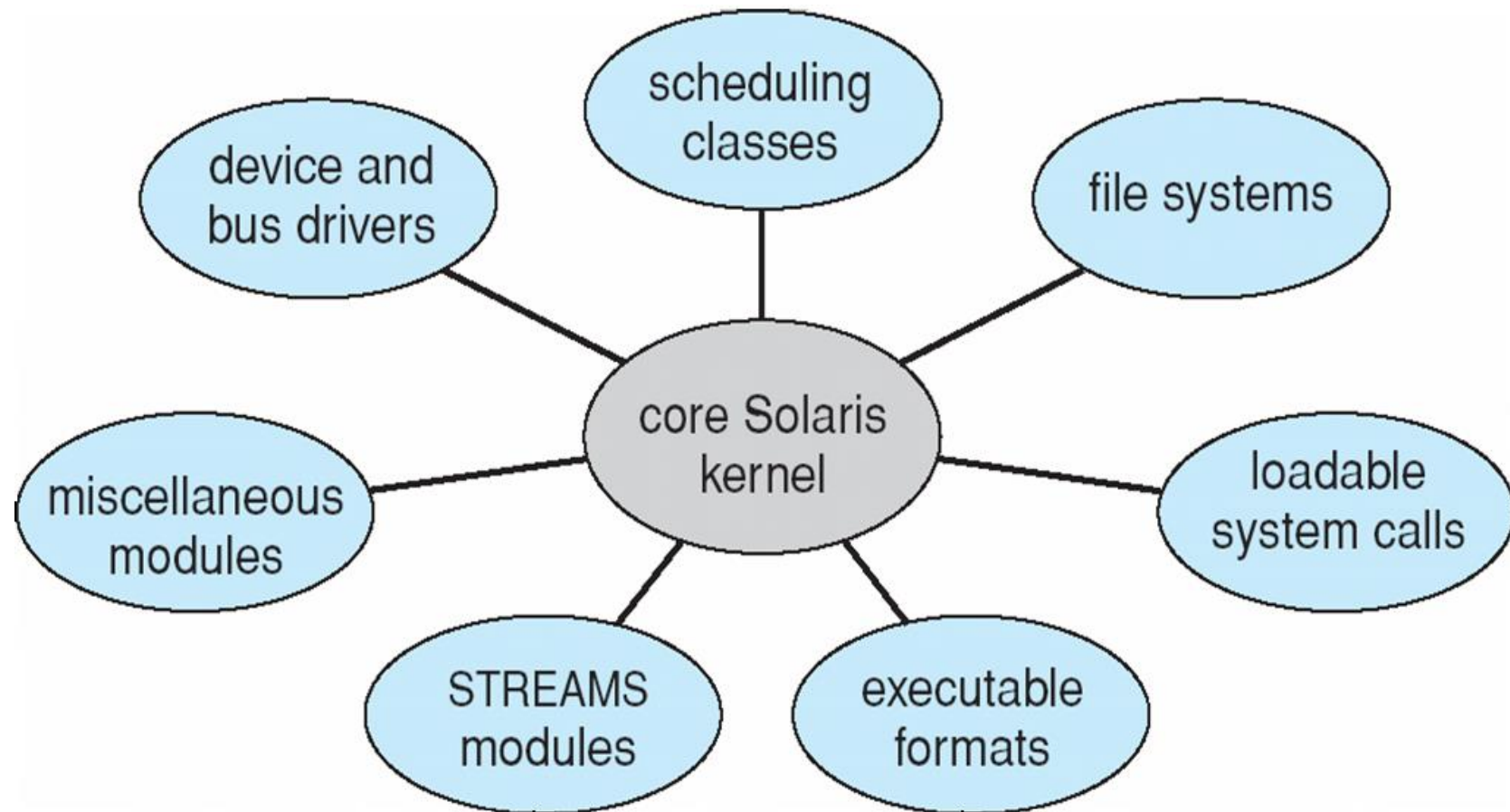
# Hybrid Systems 混合系统

- In practice, very few OSes adopt a single, strictly defined structure. Instead, they combine different structures, resulting in hybrid systems

- Hybrid systems combine multiple approaches to address performance, security, and usability needs

- Linux is *monolithic*, because OS in a single address space provides efficient performance. It is also *modular*, so that new functionality can be dynamically added to the kernel

- Windows is largely *monolithic*, but it retains some behaviour typical of *microkernel* systems by providing support for separate subsystems (known as personalities) that run as user-mode processes. Windows systems also provide support for dynamically loadable kernel modules

# Summary in Operating System Design

- A monolithic operating system has no structure; all functionality provided in a single, static binary file that runs in a single address space. Although such systems are difficult to modify, their primary benefit is efficiency.

- A layered operating system is divided into a number of discrete layers, where the bottom layer is the hardware interface, and the highest layer is the user interface. Although layered software systems have had some success, it is generally not ideal for designing operating systems due to performance problems and difficulty in defining appropriate layers.

- The microkernel approach for designing operating systems uses a minimal kernel; most services run as user-level applications, in which communication takes place via message passing

- The loadable kernel module approach for designing operating systems provides operating-system services through modules that can be loaded and removed during runtime.

- Many contemporary operating systems are constructed as hybrid systems using a combination of a monolithic kernel and modules.
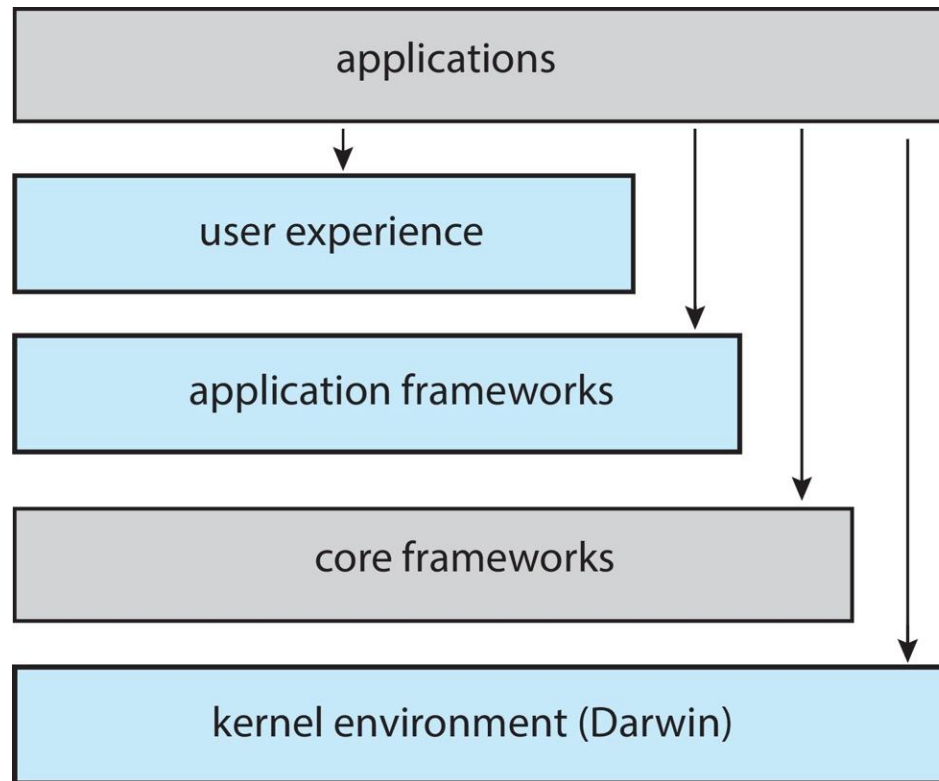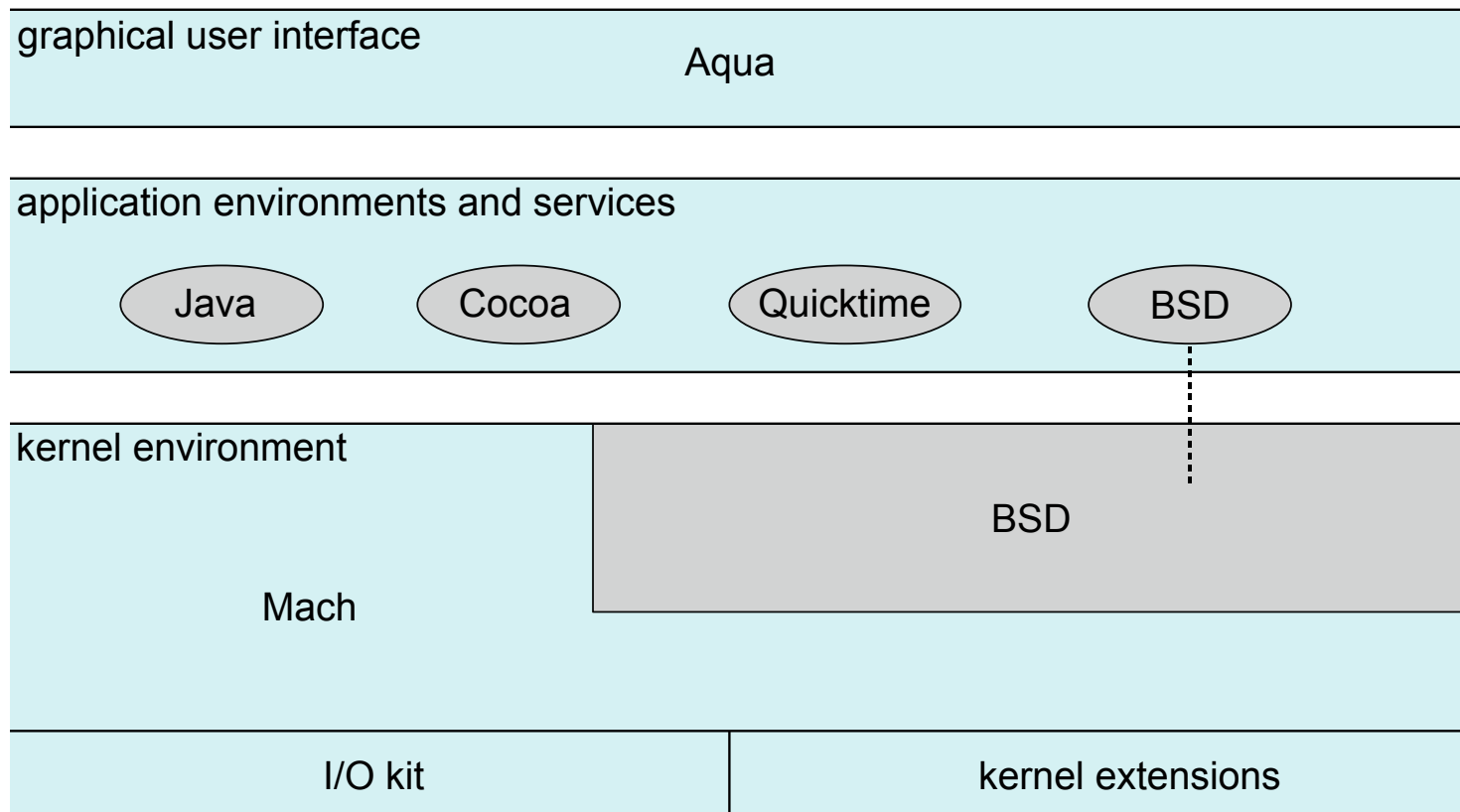
# macOS and iOS Structure

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- Architecturally, macOS (for desktop and laptops) and iOS (iPhone and iPad) have much in common – user interface, programming (language) support, graphics and media, and kernel environment - Darwin includes the Mach microkernel and the BSD UNIX kernel

# Mac OS X Structure

☐ Apple Mac OS X is hybrid, layered, Aqua UI (for a mouse or trackpad), plus Cocoa programming environment providing an API for the Objective-C

☐ Core frameworks. support graphics and media including, Quicktime and OpenGL
（核心框架）

☐ The kernel environment, also known as Darwin includes Mach microkernel and BSD Unix

| graphical user interface | |
|---|---|
| Aqua | |

| application environments and services |
|---|
| ( Java )  ( Cocoa )  ( Quicktime )  ( BSD ) |

| kernel environment |
|---|
| Mach        BSD |
| I/O kit  |  kernel extensions |

# iOS

Apple mobile OS for iPhone, iPad

- ☐ Structured on Mac OS X, added functionality
- ☐ Does not run Mac OS X applications natively
  - ☐ Also runs on different CPU architecture (ARM vs. Intel)
- ☐ Springboard user interface, designed for touch devices.
- ☐ Cocoa Touch Objective-C API for developing apps on mobile devices (touch screen)
- ☐ Media services layer for graphics, audio, video – Quicktime, OpenGL
- ☐ Core services provides cloud computing, databases
- ☐ Core operating system, based on Mac OS X kernel

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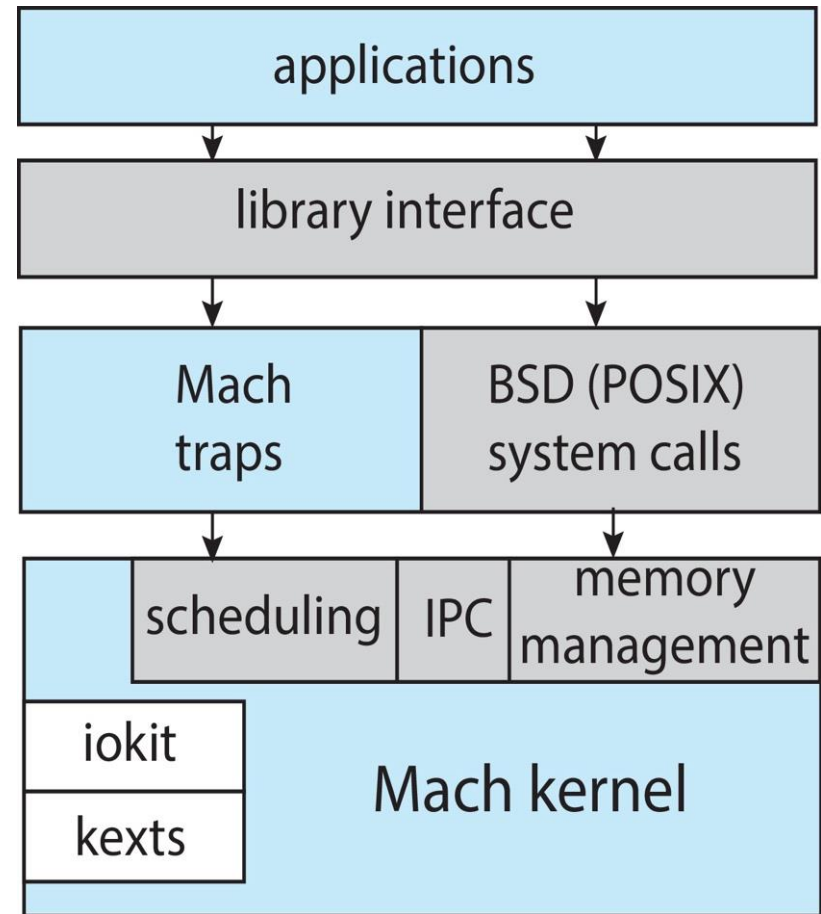| Media Services |
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| Core Services |
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| Core OS |
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# Darwin

- A layered system that consists of the Mach microkernel and the BSD UNIX kernel – a hybrid system

- Two system-call interfaces - Mach system calls (known as traps) and BSD system calls (which provide POSIX functionality)

- The interface is a rich set of libraries - the standard C library, and libraries supporting networking, security, and programming language

- Mach provides fundamental OS services, including memory management, CPU scheduling, and IPC facilities

- The kernel environment provides an I/O kit for device drivers and dynamically loadable modules refers to as kernel extensions, or kexts
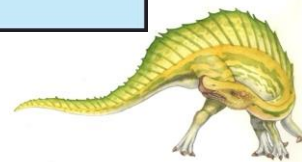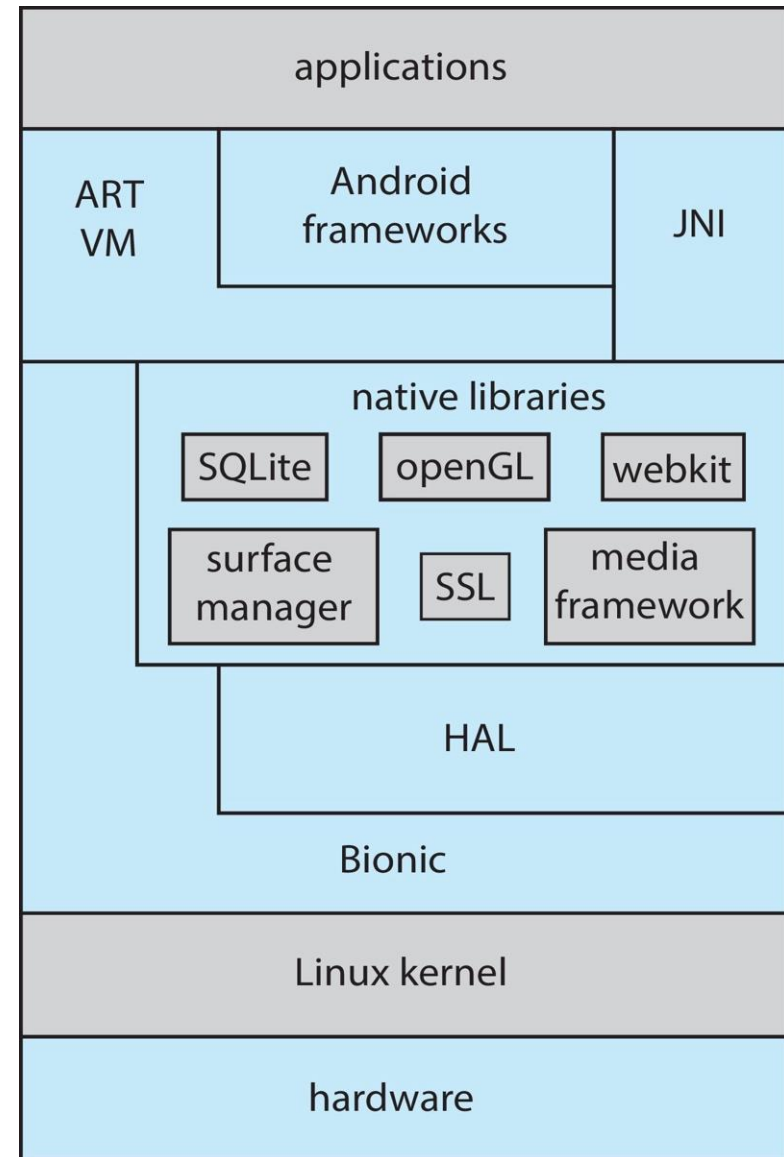


applications

library interface

| Mach traps | BSD (POSIX) system calls |

scheduling | IPC | memory management

iokit

kexts

Mach kernel

# Android

- Developed by Open Handset Alliance (led primarily by Google)

- Android runs on a variety of mobile platforms and is open-sourced, in contrast iOS runs on Apple mobile devices and is closed-sourced

- Android is similar to iOS - a layered system that provides a rich set of frameworks supporting graphics, audio, and hardware features.

- Instead of using standard Java API, Google designed a separate Android API for Java development. Java applications execute on the Android RunTime or ART, a virtual machine optimized for mobile devices with limited memory and CPU processing capabilities

- Java native interface or JNI, which allows developers to bypass the virtual machine and write Java programs that can access specific hardware features.

  - Programs written using JNI are generally not portable from one hardware to another.

# Android Architecture

- The libraries include frameworks for developing web browsers (webkit), database support (SQLite), and network support, such as secure sockets (SSLs).

- For Android to run on any hardware devices, hardware abstraction layer, or HAL abstract all hardware, e.g., camera, GPS chip, and other sensors, and provides applications with a consistent view independent of specific hardware

- Google developed the Bionic standard C library for Android, instead using standard GNU C library (glibc) for Linux systems

- The modified Linux kernel for mobile systems, including power management.

| applications |
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| ART VM | Android frameworks | JNI |
| native libraries: SQLite, openGL, webkit, surface manager, SSL, media framework |
| HAL |
| Bionic |
| Linux kernel |
| hardware |

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