

OPERATING SYSTEMS

LECTURE # 1

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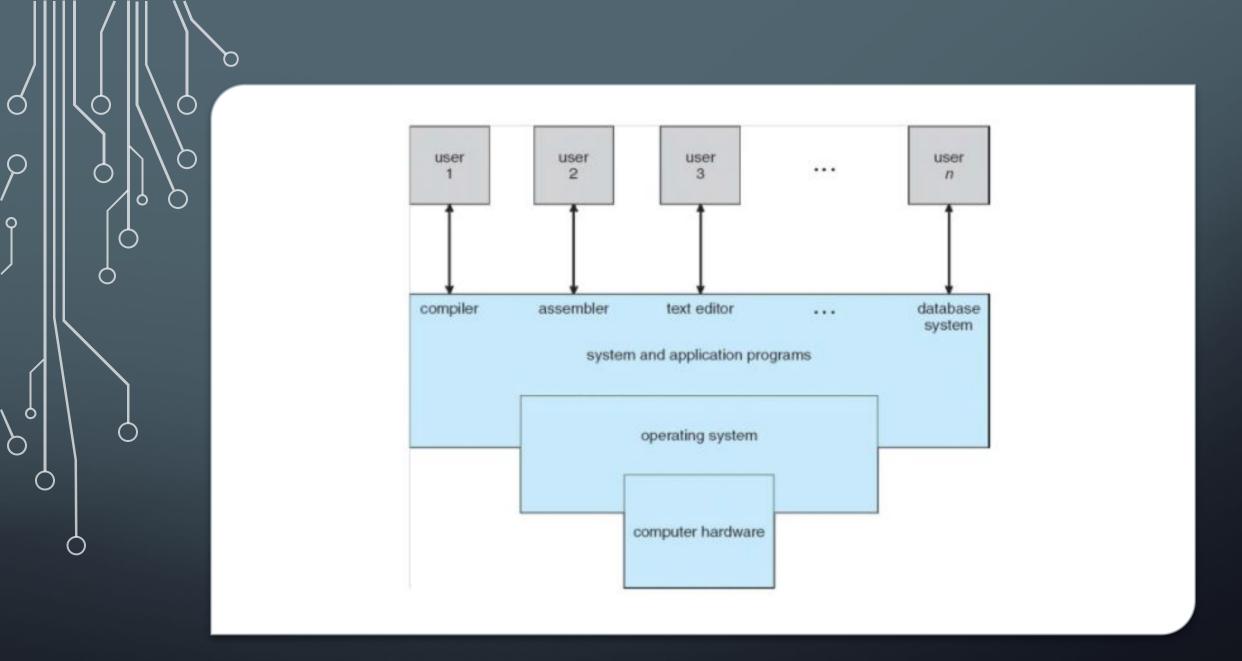


PURPOSE OF COMPUTER SYSTEM

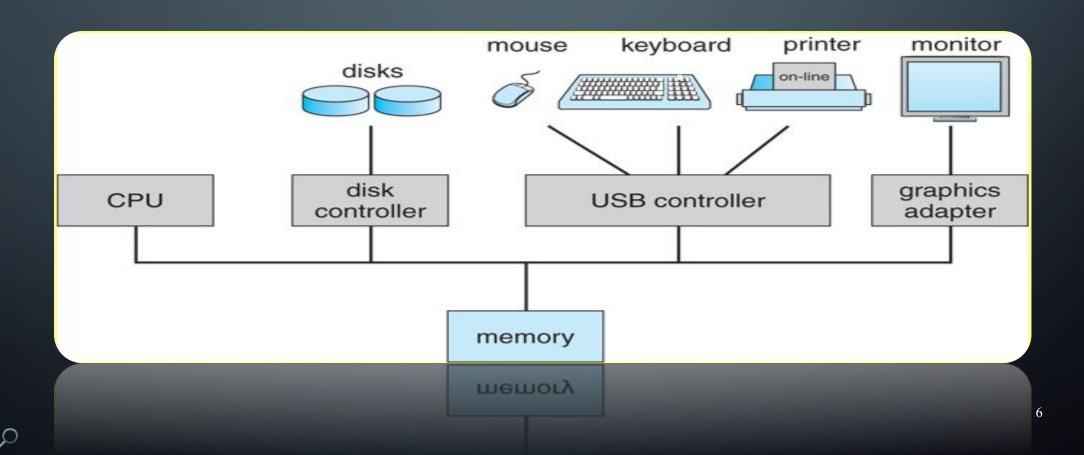
Computer systems consist of software and hardware that are combined to provide a tool to implement solutions for specific problems in an efficient manner and to execute programs.

COMPUTER SYSTEM ORGANIZATION

- Hardware
- Operating System
- Application Programs
- Users



COMPUTER SYSTEM ORGANIZATION



- The primary purpose of a computer system is to generate executable programs and execute them.
- The following are some of the main issues involved in performing these tasks.
- 1. Storing an executable on a secondary storage device such as hard disk
- 2. Loading executable from disk into the main memory
- 3. Setting the CPU state appropriately so that program execution could begin
- 4. Creating multiple cooperating processes, synchronizing their access to shared data, and allowing them to communicate with each other

WHAT IS AN OPERATING SYSTEM

- There are two views about this.
- The top-down view is that it is a program that acts as an intermediary between a user of a computer and the computer hardware and makes the computer system convenient to use.
- The bottom-up view is that it is a program, that allocates and deallocates computer system resources in an efficient fair, and secure manner- A resource manager
- A slightly different view of an OS emphasizes the need to control the various I/O devices and programs.

SINGLE-USER SYSTEMS

- Allows only one user to use the computer at a given time.
- The goals of such systems are maximizing user convenience and responsiveness, instead of maximizing the utilization of the CPU and peripheral devices.
- They can adopt technology developed for larger operating systems.
- Often individuals have sole use of computers and do not need advanced CPU utilization and hardware protection features.
- They may run different types of operating systems, including DOS, Windows, and MacOS. Linux and UNIX operating systems can also be run in single-user mode

BATCH SYSTEMS

- Early computers were large machines run from a console with card readers and tape drives as input devices and line printers, tape drives, and card punches as output devices.
- User did not interact directly with the system; instead the user prepared a job, which consisted of the program, data, and some control information about the nature of the job.
- The job was in the form of punch cards, and at some later time the output was generated by the system.
- Output=> result of the program + dump of the final memory and register contents for debugging

BATCH SYSTEMS

- To speed up processing, operators batched together jobs with similar needs and ran them through the computer as a group. For example, all FORTRAN programs were compiled one after the other.
- The major task of such an operating system was to transfer control automatically from one job to the next.
- The CPU is often idle because the speeds of the mechanical I/O devices such as a tape drive are slower than that of electronic devices.
- Digital Equipment Corporation's VMS is an example of a batch operating system.

MULTI-PROGRAMMED SYSTEMS

- Increases CPU utilization by organizing jobs so that the CPU always has one to execute.
- The operating system keeps several jobs in memory simultaneously.
- Since the number of jobs that can be kept simultaneously in memory is usually much smaller than the number of jobs that can be in the job pool.
- The operating system picks and executes one of the jobs in the memory.
- The job has to wait for some task such as an I/O operation to complete.
- In a non-multi-programmed system, the CPU would sit idle.
- In a multi-programmed system, the operating system simply switches to, and executes another job.

TIME-SHARING SYSTEMS

- Multi-user, multi-process, and interactive system.
- Allows multiple users to use the computer simultaneously.
- A user can run one or more processes at the same time and interact with his/her processes.
- A time-shared system uses multiprogramming and CPU scheduling to provide each user with a small portion of a time-shared computer.
- Each user has at least one separate program in memory.
- To obtain a reasonable response time, jobs may have to be swapped in and out of the main memory.
- UNIX, Linux, Windows NT Server, and Windows 2000 server are timesharing systems.

REAL TIME SYSTEMS

- A real-time system has well-defined, fixed time constraints, and if the system does not produce output for input within the time constraints, the system will fail.
- Real time systems come in two flavors: **hard** and **soft**.
- A hard real-time system guarantees that critical tasks be completed on time.
- A less restrictive type of real-time system is a soft real-time system, where a critical real-time task gets priority over other tasks, and retains that priority until it completes.
- Example: Systems that control scientific experiments, medical imaging systems, industrial control systems, and certain display systems.

HARD REAL-TIME SYSTEM

- Requires that all delays in the system be completed on time.
- This goal requires that all delays in the system be bounded.
- Secondary storage of any sort is usually limited or missing, with data instead of being stored in short-term memory or in read-only memory.
- Most advanced operating system features are absent too.

SOFT REAL-TIME SYSTEM

- Where a critical real-time task gets priority over other tasks, and retains that priority until it completes.
- As in hard real-time systems, the operating system kernel delays need to be bounded.
- Soft real-time is an achievable goal that can be mixed with other types of systems,
- Whereas hard real-time systems conflict with the operation of other systems such as time-sharing systems, the two cannot be mixed.