CS2211b

Software Tools and Systems Programming



Week 4a
Processes and Jobs

Announcements

Week 3 Q&A on OWL

Lab 3 on OWL

Assignment #1 Due Tomorrow

MC244 Virtual Machine Image Available

Quiz Review

POSIX is a _____.

Quiz Review

A relative path to file2 in dir1 in your home dir is if your current working directory is ~/dir2.

Quiz Review

____ gives <u>only</u> read and execute permissions to others.

9.3 How do you select from a file (i) lines 5 to 10, (ii) second-to-last line?

9.10 How do you display a listing of all directories in the PATH list?

10.3 Explain the significance of the * in this command:

grep 'botswana.*birds' *.htm*.

10.18 How do you look for *bill christie* in a file, without knowing whether *bill* exists as *william* or *bill* and whether *christie* also exists as *christy*?

10.23 Frame a regular expression to locate lines longer than 100 and smaller than 150 characters using grep.

Processes & Jobs

- Each instance of a running program is considered to be a process in UNIX.
- These programs can either be started by the user (e.g. by issuing commands via the shell) or the system.
- Processes are managed by the kernel through a scheduling service called scheduler that allocates the system's resources (memory, CPU time, etc) to each process.

States/status

Processes have one status (out of three) at a time:

Running

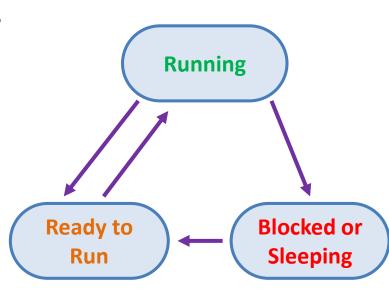
 For a set slice of time allocated by the scheduler.

Ready to Run

- Ready to be executed and waiting for the scheduler to allow it to run.
- The scheduler decides which of the ready processes to run next.

Blocked or Sleeping

 Sleeping for a set time period or waiting for an event to occur before continuing (e.g. IO or signal).



Attributes

- Like files, processes have a number of attributes associated with them.
- These attributes are stored in a process table maintained by the kernel that tracks each process by a process id (PID).
- This is similar to the idea of inodes and inode numbers as used in the UNIX file system.

Attributes

Some process attributes include:

Attribute	Description
PID	A unique number assigned to the process used to identify it.
PPID	Process ID of the parent process.
Name	Name of the process. Normally the name of the command or program.
Real UID	UID of the user that initiated the process.
Real GID	GID of the group of the user who initiated the process.
Effective UID	Normally the same as Real UID. But in some cases programs may be ran as users that did not initiate them (SUID, SUDO, etc).
Effective GID	Same as above but for group/GID.
CWD	The current working directory from where the process was run.
List of Open Files	List of files opened by the process.
Environment Variables	Current environment variables like HOME, PATH and SHELL.
TTY	The terminal the process is connected to (if it is connected to one).

Hierarchy

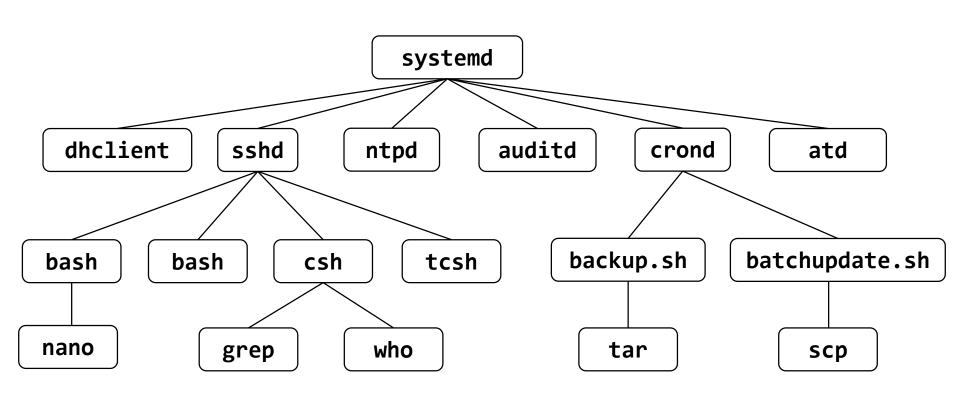
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On the course server the init process is systemd

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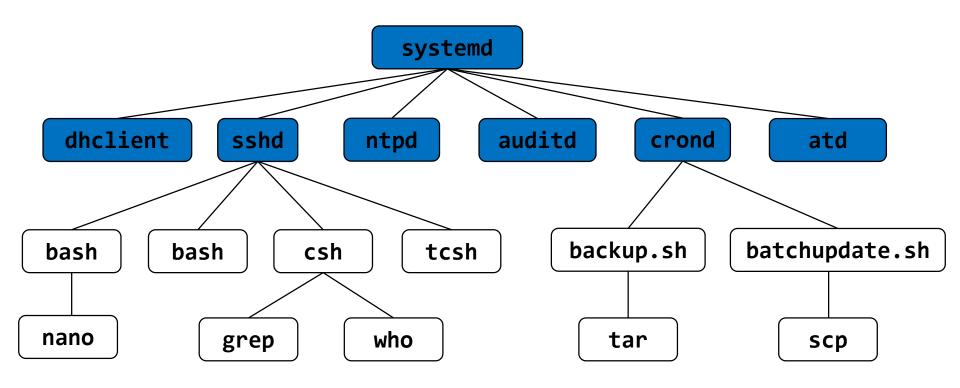
Hierarchy



Processes Hierarchy

Processes with no controlling terminal are called daemons

They can not write to the terminal or be terminated by pressing Ctrl-C



Viewing Processes & Attributes

We can view a listing of processes and their attributes with the **ps** command.

ps [options]

Viewing Processes & Attributes

Some useful **ps** options:

no options List all processes for the current terminal and user.

-e, -A List all processes on the system (not just yours).

-p <u>PID</u> List a process by PID.

--ppid <u>PPID</u> List processes by PPID.

-C <u>CMD</u> List processes by command name.

-t <u>TTY</u> List processes by terminal.

-U <u>UID</u> OR <u>Name</u> List processes by real user.

-f, -F Full format and extra full format listing.

-l, -j Long format and jobs format.

-H Show process hierarchy.

-h No header.

Viewing Processes & Attributes

Examples:

List processes for my terminal

Same but with long formatting

```
[dservos5@cs2211b ~]$ ps -l
F S UID PID PPID C PRI NI ADDR SZ WCHAN TTY TIME CMD
0 S 17789 9717 9716 0 80 0 - 31454 do_wai pts/7 00:00:00 bash
0 R 17789 10585 9717 0 80 0 - 37234 - pts/7 00:00:00 ps
```

Viewing Processes & Attributes

Examples:

List processes for user dservos5 with full formatting

```
[dservos5@cs2211b ~]$ ps -fU dservos5
UTD
          PTD PPTD C STIME TTY
                                         TTMF CMD
dservos5 9716 9710 0 20:57 ?
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                                     00:00:00 -bash
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Looking at man page for ps in pts/6

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Running ps -fU dservos5 in terminal pts/7

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Parent of bash command is sshd

Viewing Processes & Attributes

Examples:

Find the children of process 1 (init)

```
[dservos5@cs2211b ~]$ ps --ppid 1
```

```
PTD TTY
                   TTMF CMD
  386 ?
               00:01:06 systemd-journal
  438 ?
               00:00:00 systemd-udevd
  473 ?
               00:00:10 auditd
  560 ?
               00:00:05 polkitd
  562 ?
               00:00:22 dbus-daemon
  586 ?
              00:01:45 rsyslogd
  587 ?
               00:00:04 sssd
  592 ?
               00:01:20 irgbalance
  609 ?
               00:01:37 ntpd
               00:00:00 gssproxy
  636 ?
  652 ?
               00:00:00 rpc.gssd
  782 ?
               00:00:18 systemd-logind
  820 ?
               00:00:00 dhclient
  879 ?
               00:03:17 tuned
  980 ?
               00:00:14 master
 1034 ?
               00:00:06 crond
              00:00:00 agetty
 1036 ttyS0
 1041 ?
               00:00:00 atd
1042 tty1
               00:00:00 agetty
20592 ?
               00:00:00 sshd
20976 ?
               00:00:00 sshd
21200 2
               aa.aa.aa addiahd
               00:00:03 sshd
26848 ?
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Controlling Processes

- We can control processes we are the owner of (that have our UID as an attribute).
- The kill command allows us to send signals to processes to terminate or suspend them.
- In most cases, terminating a parent process will also terminate the child processes.
- In cases when the child is not terminated, they are considered orphans and become the child of the init process.

Controlling Processes

kill command syntax:

Some options:

no options Sends SIGTERM signal (default termination signal).

-s <u>SIGNAL</u> The signal to send to the process.

-<u>n</u> Same as -s but uses the signal number.

Controlling Processes

Example:

Kill the process with PID 12418

[dservos5@cs2211b ~]\$ kill 12418

In some cases, a process will not terminate even after you send the SIGTERM signal. You can ensure it terminates with SIGKILL

[dservos5@cs2211b ~]\$ kill -s KILL 12418

OR

[dservos5@cs2211b ~]\$ kill -9 12418

- Unix is a multi-tasking operating system.
 - Some of these tasks are being done by other users logged in.
 - Some are being done by you in the background.
 - So far we have only been running one command at a time in the foreground.
- We are able to run multiple commands at once and control these commands using jobs and job control.

- Most shells support the concept of jobs and job control.
- Jobs are a group of processes used together to accomplish some goal.
- Example:

 Would create two processes (one for Is and one for wc) but would be one job.

Background

- By default when we run a command via the shell, it creates a process that runs in the foreground.
- We can use the & symbol to run a job in the background.

Example:

ls /usr/bin > binlist.txt &

Background

When you put a task in background

- task keeps running, but you continue to work at the shell in the foreground
- if any output is done, it appears on your screen immediately (can be confusing)
- if input is required, process prints a message and stops
- when it is done, a message will be printed

Background

Example:

```
/cs2211/week4/printdate.sh
Prints timestamp every second for 30 seconds.
```

```
[dservos5@cs2211b week4]$ ./printdate.sh
1517281896
1517281897
1517281898
1517281899
1517281900
1517281901
```

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Background

Example:

Run printdate.sh in background

```
[dservos5@cs2211b week4]$ ./printdate.sh &
[2] 14918
[dservos5@cs2211b week4]$ 1517282086
1517282087
1517282088
...
[2]- Done ./printdate.sh
```

Background

Example:

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Job ID PID

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Job Control

We can move jobs currently in the foreground to the background two different ways:

```
Ctrl-Z Suspend job and move to background.
```

kill -s STOP <u>PID</u> Sends the suspend signal to a process.

```
Example: Ctrl-Z Pressed
```

```
[dseryos5@cs2211b week4]$ ./printdate.sh
1517282652
^Z
[2]+ Stopped ./printdate.sh
```

Job Control

We can view a list of background jobs for the current shell session using the **job** command.

```
[dservos5@cs2211b week4]$ jobs
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[2]- Stopped ./printdate.sh
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- + denotes last job
- denotes pervious job

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Example:

Command

Job Control

We can bring a job back to the foreground and resume them using the **fg** command.

Example:

Resume job number 2 and bring to foreground

```
[dservos5@cs2211b week4]$ fg 2
./printdate.sh
1517283568
1517283569
```

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Job Control

We can resume a job in the background using the **bg** command. It will resume but be running in the background like if we press Ctrl-Z.

Example:

Resume job number 3 and in the background

Job Control

We can terminate a suspended or backgrounded job using the **kill** command and its PID like we saw previously or we can use the % symbol to denote a Job ID rather than a PID.

Example:

Terminate backgrounded job 1:

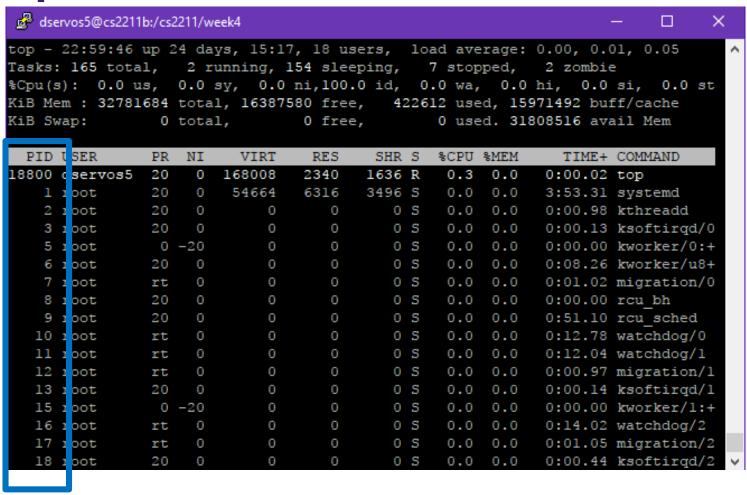
```
[dservos5@cs2211b week4]$ jobs
[1]+ Stopped ./printdate.sh
[dservos5@cs2211b week4]$ kill %1
[1]+ Stopped ./printdate.sh
```

- top command displays the top <u>n</u> processes on the system by CPU time, memory, etc.
- Information is updated live to the terminal.
- Supports interactive commands while running:

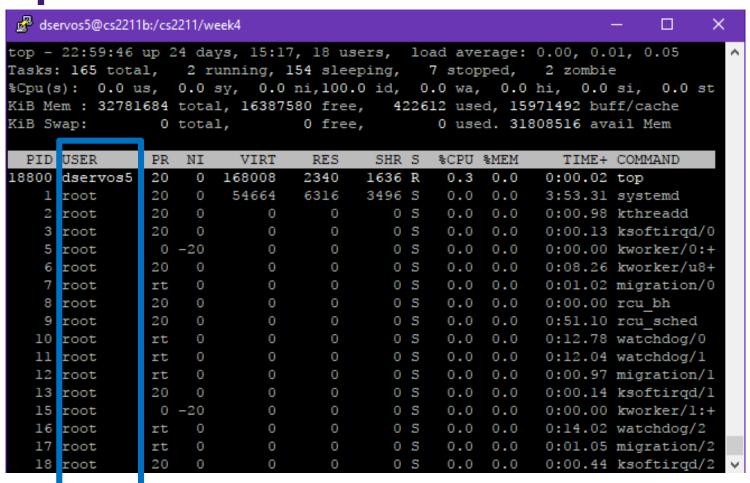
```
h help
```

- c display full command
- M sort by memory usage
- P sort by CPU usage (%)
- T sort by time (CPU time)
- i show/hide idle processes
- n set the number of processes displayed
- u display the processes of a given user
- k ill a given process
- q quit

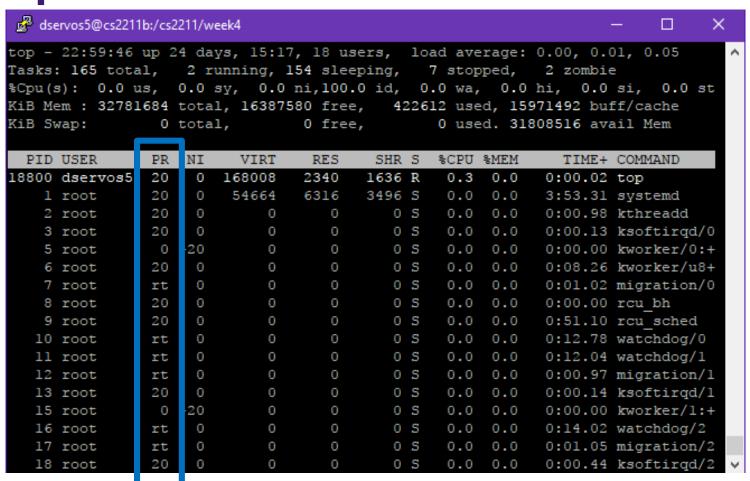
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top - 22:59:46 up 24 days, 15:17, 18 users, load average: 0.00, 0.01, 0.05 Tasks: 165 total, 2 running, 154 sleeping, 7 stopped, 2 zombie %Cpu(s): 0.0 us, 0.0 sy, 0.0 ni,100.0 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.0 si, 0.0 st KiB Mem : 32781684 total, 16387580 free, 422612 used, 15971492 buff/cache											
KiB Swap: 0 total, 0 free, 0 used. 31808516 avail Mem											
PID	USER	PR	NI	VIRT	RES	SHR	S	%CPU	%MEM	TIME+ COMMAND	
18800	dservos5	20	0	168008	2340	1636	R	0.3	0.0	0:00.02 top	1
1	root	20	0	54664	6316	3496	S	0.0	0.0	3:53.31 systemd	1
2	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.98 kthreadd	1
3	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.13 ksoftirqd/0	1
5	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00 kworker/0:+	1
6	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:08.26 kworker/u8+	1
7	root	rt	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:01.02 migration/0	1
8	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00 rcu_bh	1
9	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:51.10 rcu_sched	1
10	root	rt	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:12.78 watchdog/0	1
11	root	rt	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:12.04 watchdog/1	1
12	root	rt	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.97 migration/l	
13	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.14 ksoftirqd/l	
15	root	0	-20	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00 kworker/1:+	
16	root	rt	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:14.02 watchdog/2	1
17	root	rt	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:01.05 migration/2	
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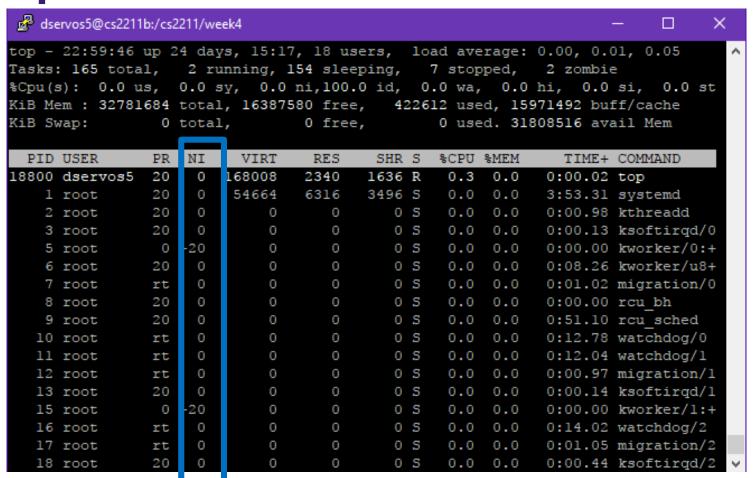
PID



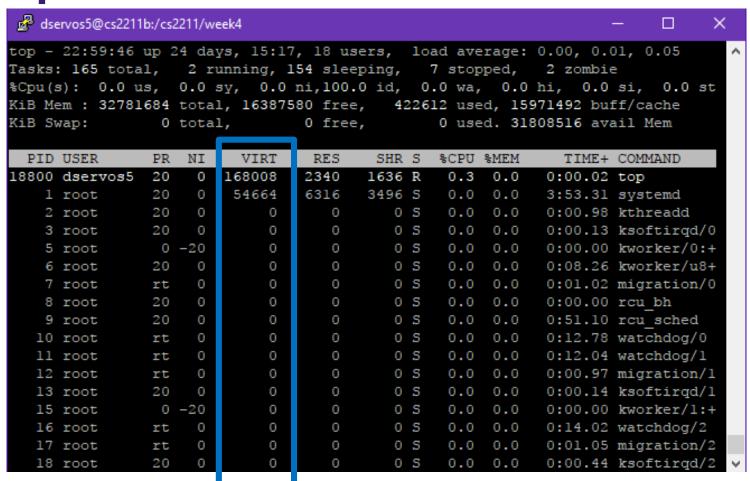
User Name



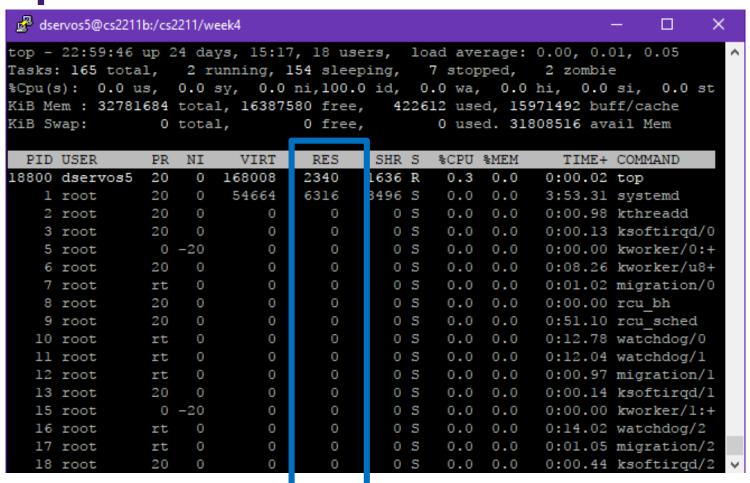
Priority



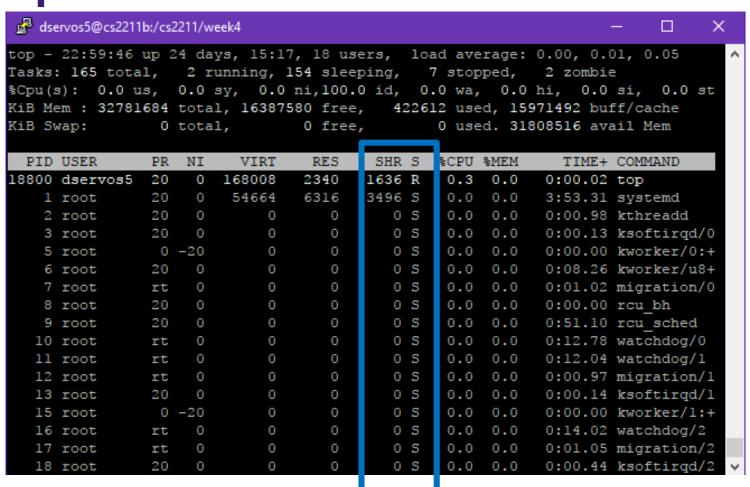
Nice Value



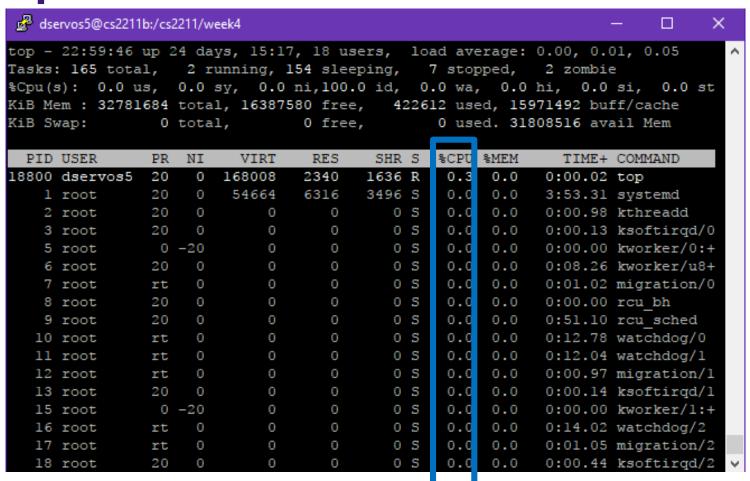
Virtual Memory Size



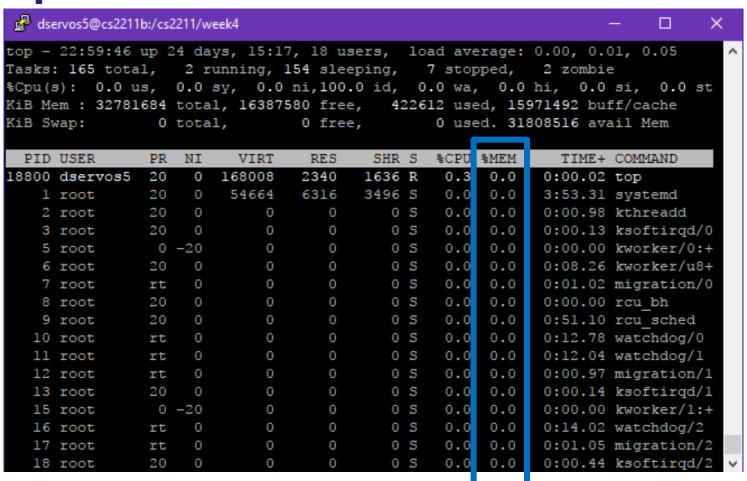
Resident Size (Physical Memory)



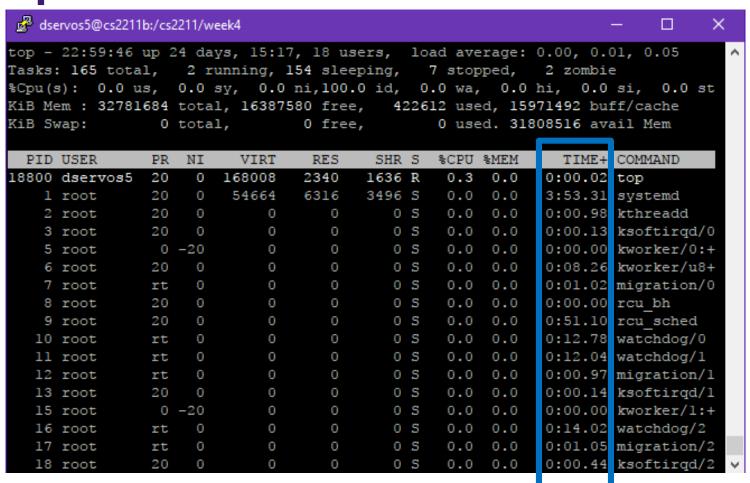
How much of the VIRT size is shared/shareable



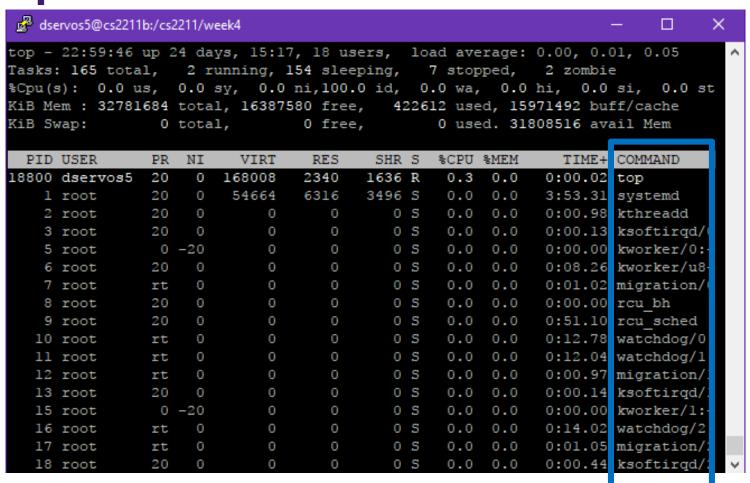
CPU Usage



Memory Usage (Physical Only)



CPU Time



Command