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prog

stack



usermode

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`write("hello world")`

kernel

process

1) the program calls a library function

lib/write



syscall num

arg #0

2) the library function pushes the syscall number and its arguments onto the stack and triggers a software interrupt

```
write(s):  
    push("write")  
    push(s)  
    int x80
```



x80 interrupt
handler

3) the interrupt handler reads the stack of the interrupted program to extract the system call number and the arguments



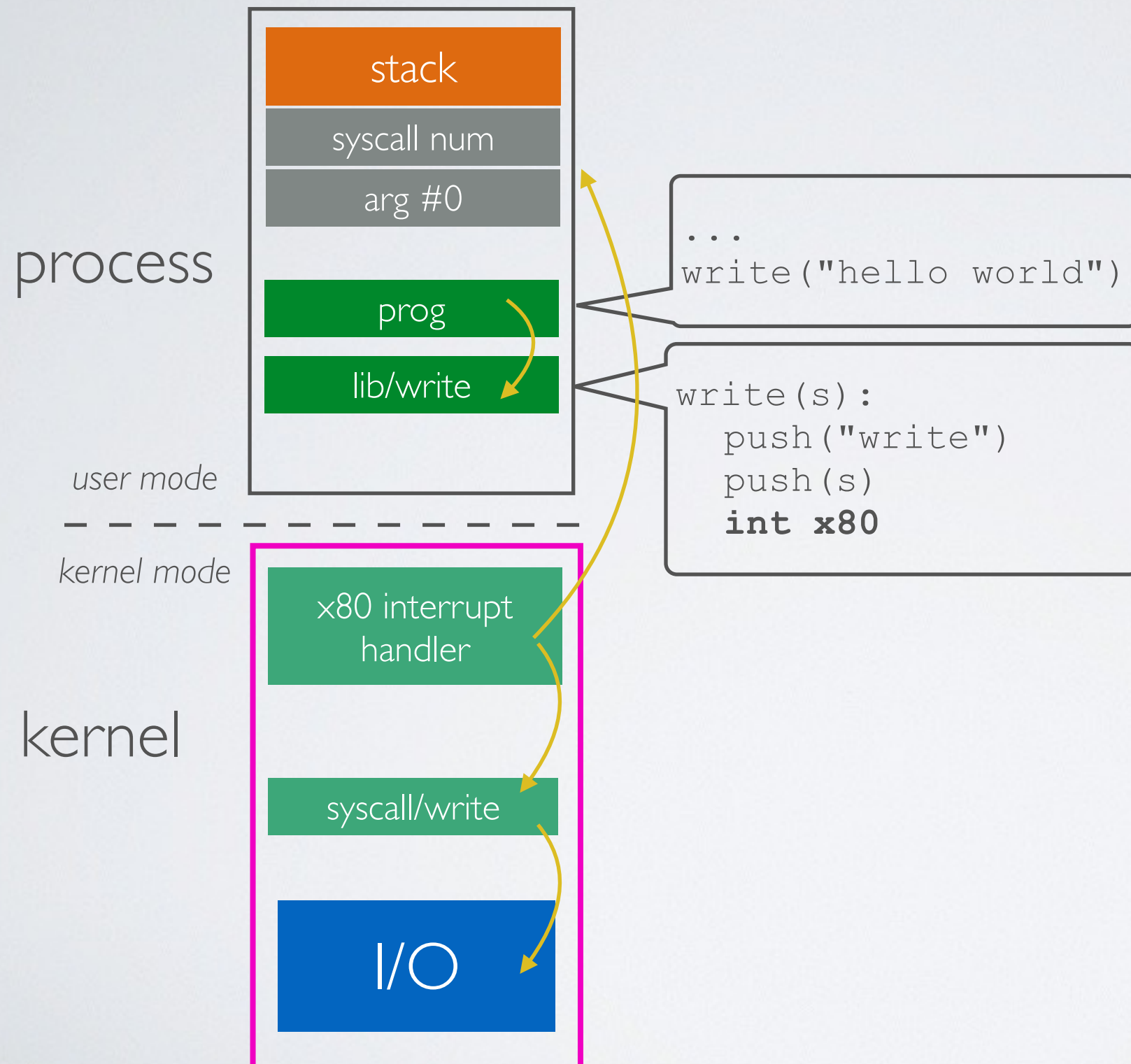
syscall/write

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