

CSE3241: Operating System and System Programming

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A Simple C Program

■ What we simply do:

- ▶ \$ gedit **helloWorld.c**
- ▶ \$ gcc **helloWorld.c**
\$./**a.out**

OR

- ▶ \$ gcc **helloWorld.c** -o **helloWorld**
\$./**helloWorld**

helloWorld.c

```
/* First C Program
```

```
By: EtaSetaMix
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Date: 1.1.1953
```

```
*/
```

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
#define MSG "Hello World!!!"
```

```
int main(){  
    print(MSG);  
    return 0;  
}
```

Output

Hello World!!!

Workers Working Behind

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■ Who work behind:

1. **Preprocessor**
2. **Compiler**
3. **Assembler**
4. **Linker / Linkage Editor**
5. **Loader**

Journey of a C Program

■ Step-1: Pre-Processing

- ▶ pre-processed code is generated by removing comments, including contents of header files and expanding macros.

■ Step-2: Compilation

- ▶ assembly code is generated.

■ Step-3: Assembly

- ▶ object file with relocatable address is generated.

■ Step-4: Linking

- ▶ Complete (almost complete) executable code is generated.

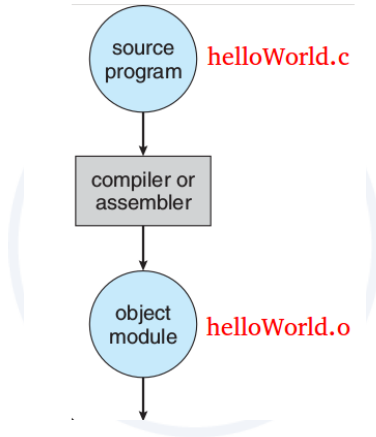
■ Step-5: Loading

- ▶ binary memory image is generated and loaded into memory.

■ Step-6: Execution

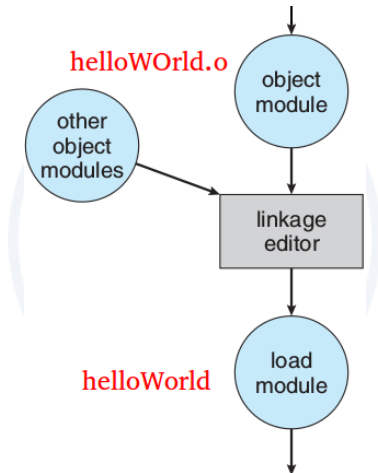
- ▶ process runs.

From Source Code to Object Code



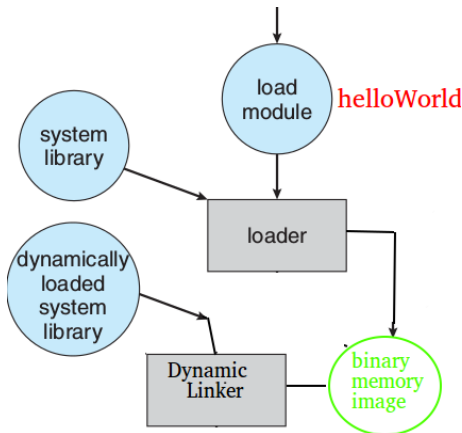
- \$ gcc -E helloWorld.c -o helloWorld.i [Preprocessing]
- \$ gcc -S helloWorld.i -o helloWorld.s [Compilation]
- \$ as helloWorld.s -o helloWorld.o [Assembly]

From Object Code to Executable Code



■ \$ gcc helloWorld.o -o helloWorld [Linking]

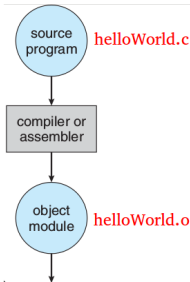
From Executable Code to Binary Memory Image



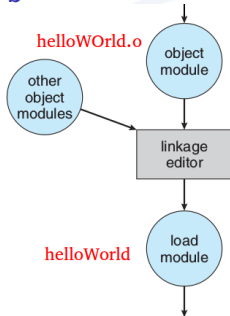
■\$./helloWorld [Dynamic Linking & Loading]

Multistep Processing of a User Program

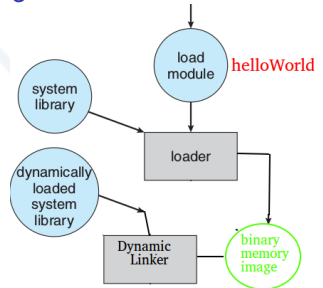
a



b



c



```
$ cpp helloWorld.c >helloWorld.i
```

```
$ gcc -S helloWorld.i -o helloWorld.s
```

```
$ as helloWorld.s -o helloWorld.o
```

```
$ gcc helloWorld.o -o helloWorld
```

```
$ ./helloWorld
```


Linker and Loader

- **Linker** is a part of compiler tool which:
 - ▶ takes one or more objects generated by a compiler
 - ▶ links them to static library functions and
 - ▶ makes executable programs.
- **Loader** is a part of OS which:
 - ▶ loads executable code and standard libraries into memory.
 - ▶ prepares them for execution.
- **Dynamic linker** is a special part of OS, which.
 - ▶ loads external shared libraries into a running process and
 - ▶ then binds those shared libraries dynamically to the running process.

Division of Memory Space

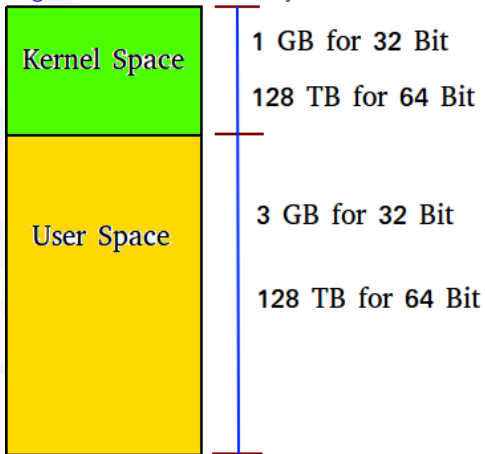
■ To protect OS from user interference, memory (RAM) is divided into two spaces:

- ▶ Kernel Space
- ▶ User Space

■ Kernel space is where the OS processes execute and provide their services.

■ User space is where user processes execute.

Logical Divisions of Memory in Linux



Hardware Support for Memory Divisions

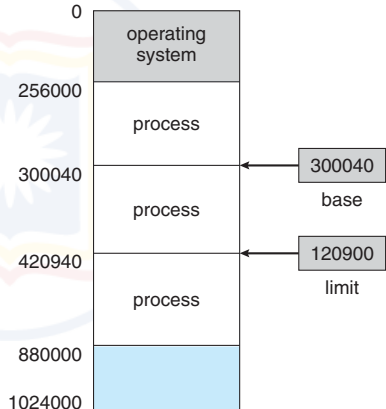
■ To protect user processes from each others, **user processes are kept in separate memory spaces** by the help of two registers:

1. Base Register
2. Limit Register

■ **Base Register** holds the smallest legal physical memory address.

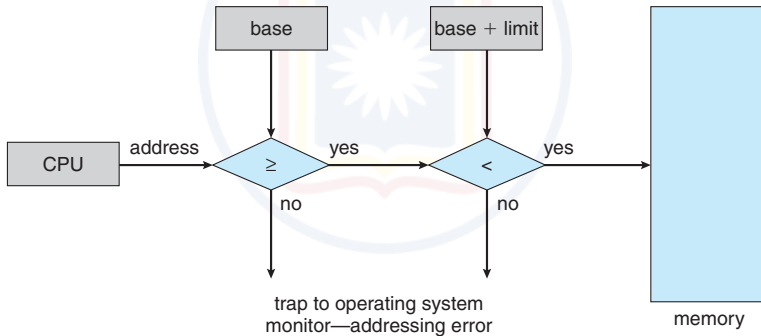
■ **Limit Register** contains the size of the range.

Memory Access by Base and Limit Registers [1]



Hardware Address Protection [1]

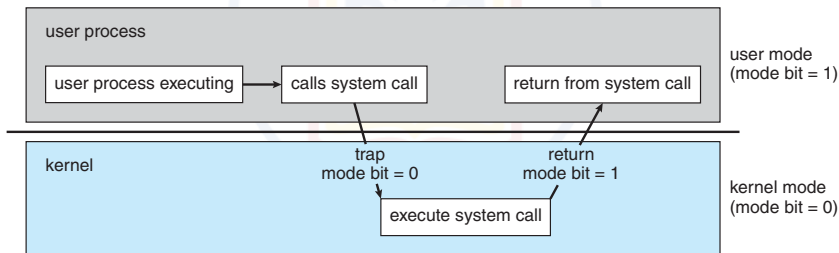
- Any attempt by a process executing in **user mode** to access OS memory or other users' memory results in a trap.
- Base and limit registers can be loaded by only the OS in the **kernel mode**.



Dual-Mode Operation [1]

■ **User Mode:** restricted mode.

■ **Kernel Mode:** supervisor mode / system mode / monitor mode / privileged mode / monitor mode / unrestricted mode.



User Mode Vs. Kernel Mode

- At boot time, the hardware starts at **kernel mode**.
- OS is then loaded and does its necessary tasks in **kernel mode**.
- After that OS starts user processes in **user mode**.
- Whenever a trap or interrupts occurs:
 - ▶ the hardware switches from **user mode** to **kernel mode** and
 - ▶ OS gains control.
- OS always switches to **user mode** before passing control to the user process.
- These two modes, known as **mode bits**, are controlled by 1/2 bits of a special register.

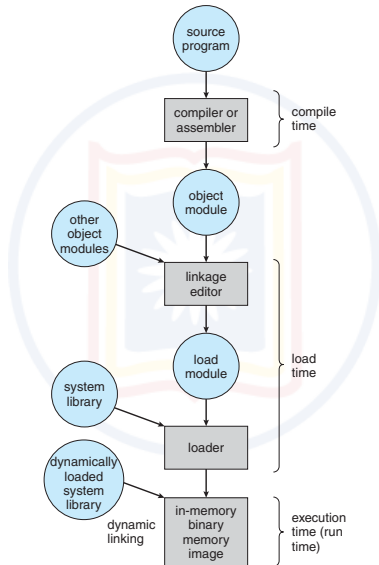
Types of Addresses

- **Logical Address:** An address generated by the CPU.
- **Physical Address:** An address seen by the memory unit.
- Logical address can be called as:
 - ▶ virtual address.
 - ▶ relocatable address.
- Memory Management Unit (MMU):
 - ▶ It is a hardware.
 - ▶ It does run-time mapping from virtual to physical address

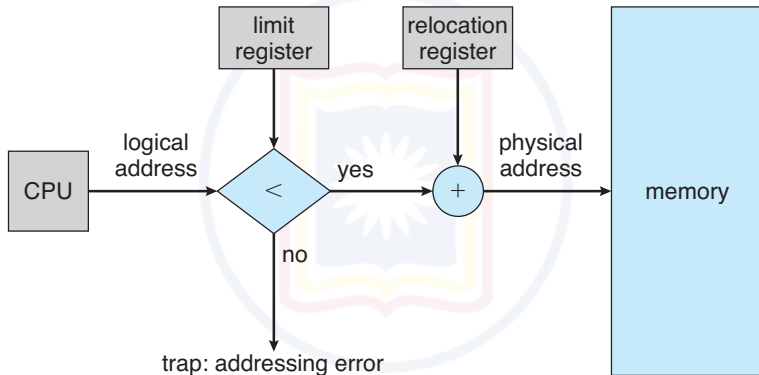
Address Binding

- Address binding is a mapping from one address space to another address space.
- Address binding can happen for:
 - ▶ instructions
 - ▶ data
- Address binding can happen at:
 - ▶ Compile Time
 - ▶ Load Time
 - ▶ Execution Time

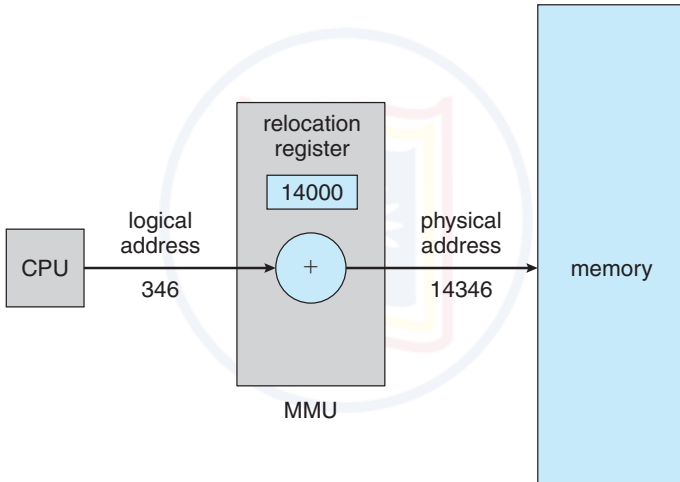
Multistep Binding of a User Program [1]



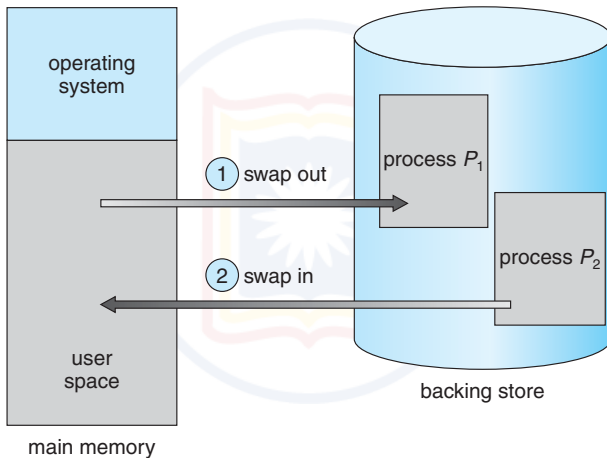
Dynamic Relocation using a Relocation Register [1]



Example of Dynamic Relocation [1]



Swapping of Two Processes [1]



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