

* Components of Operating System.

- There are two types of components :-
① Kernel, ② User Space.

① User Space :- Where application software runs & no hardware access.

② Kernel :- Heart of OS, very first part of OS to load on start-up. It directly interacts with the hardware and performs the most crucial tasks.

- There are two types of user space:-

(a) GUI (Graphical user Interface) :- Clicking of mouse on the screen.

(b) CLI (Command line Interface) :- writing commands on command line or Shell.

* Function of Kernel

(1) Process management:-

- Scheduling processes & threads.
- Creating and deleting both user & system process.

(2) Memory management:-

- Allocating & deallocating memory space.
- Keeping track of which part of memory is being currently used and by which process.

(3) File management:-

- Creating and deleting files.
- Creating & deleting directories.
- Mapping files into secondary storage.

(4) I/O management :-

Manage I/O operations and I/O devices.

(a) Spooling :-

Print spooling & mail spooling.

(b) Buffering :-

Youtube buffering.

(c) Caching :-

Memory cache.

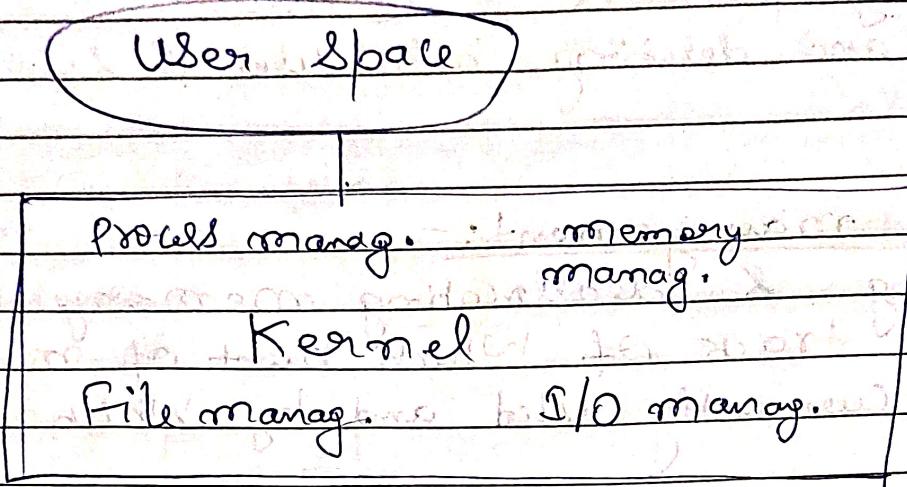
* Note :-

Print spooling :- like we have given 10 pages to print but printer prints one page per minute, so it will store the data of 10 pages in it.

* Types of kernel

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Monolithic Kernel



All functions are done by kernel.

Advantages

① High performance as communication is fast (less user mode).

Disadvantages

Bulky in size. less reliable, one module crashes - whole kernel goes down.

Memory requirement is high.

E.g. Linux, Unix, MS-DOS

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Micro Kernel

File, User, I/O
manag., Spacel manag.

Process in kernel Memory manag.

- only major functions are in kernel

Advantages

- smaller in size.
- More Reliable.
- More Stable.

Disadvantages

- Performance is slow.
- overhead switching b/w user mode and kernel mode.
- High IPC.

E.g. \Rightarrow L4 Linux, symbian OS etc.

③ Hybrid Kernel

- only file management + is in user space, rest are in kernel.
- Combined approach, more stable and more speed.
- E.g. \Rightarrow Mac OS, Window 7/8/10,

④ Nanoland Exokernel

- Nano**:- A very small core that handles only basic functions like CPU scheduling. Used in embedd. Systems.
- Exo**:- A kernel gives direct access to hardware.



* How user space and kernel communicate?
Ans use an way called IPC (Inter Process Communication). They are two ways to do so:-

- ① Shared memory :- A memory is being shared where both user space & Kernel can read & write.
- ② Message passing :- Sending message to each other using a channel.