

Introduction to Software Systems

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Course Details

- Course Objective: The aim of this course is to provide a working knowledge on tools and processes for building simple software systems.
- Course Structure: 13 classes (1 hr per class), Lab Work 1 every week (3 hrs per week)
- **Grading split up:** Quiz (Lab Exam) **10%**, Exam (Lab Exam) **22%**, Assignment **48%** (3 Assignments), Others **20%** (Lab Activities, Surprise quiz/test, Inclass Activity)
- Course Notes: Reference Material and relevant notes will be made available on Moodle. Students are expected to read the notes/reading material, put on effort, work towards rising your problem-solving skills and learn things by doing.
- Facilitators: Instructors and Teaching Assistants.
- **Time:** Honour Time and Come with learning mindset. Ensure that you record your queries and discuss them offline when we run out of time.
- Tutorials/Lab Work: Linux Commands, Shell Scripting, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Python
- Reference Books/Materials:
 - Mastering Linux Shell Scripting: A practical guide to Linux command-line, Bash scripting, and Shell programming, by Mokhtar Ebrahim, Andrew Mallett
 - Learning Python: Powerful Object-Oriented Programming, by Mark Lutz
 - JavaScript: The Definitive Guide, by David Flanagan
 - Software Engineering Principles (from various sources)
 - Workbook given by the course instructors

Academic Honesty

- A helps B in task X
- ⇒B doesn't get opportunity to do task X
- ⇒B doesn't learn the skill to do task X
- ⇒B gets spoilt, dependent and unfit for jobs requiring skills of X
- ⇒You may think it is okay to do it only once and not repeat it. But when a thing is done once, it gets wired into the brain as being "okay"; and unless there is a strong reason, it *will* repeat.

If you want to help, help to learn.

What's common in these?

- They are large complex "systems" with *lot* of software & hardware.
 - The Boeing 777 flies with over 4,000,000 lines of code on-board.
 - A typical top-level game has between 1 and 2 M SLOC (source lines of code)
 - Thousands of devices







Programs

Teamwork

Process

Engineering design

Communication

What's a System?

- Commonly used/understood definition
 - > Set of inter-related components working together to achieve a common objective
- A system may be "Natural" or "Engineered"
 - Solar system (Natural)
 - Telephone network system, power plants, etc. (Engineered)
 - Systems have boundaries due to various reasons

Communication

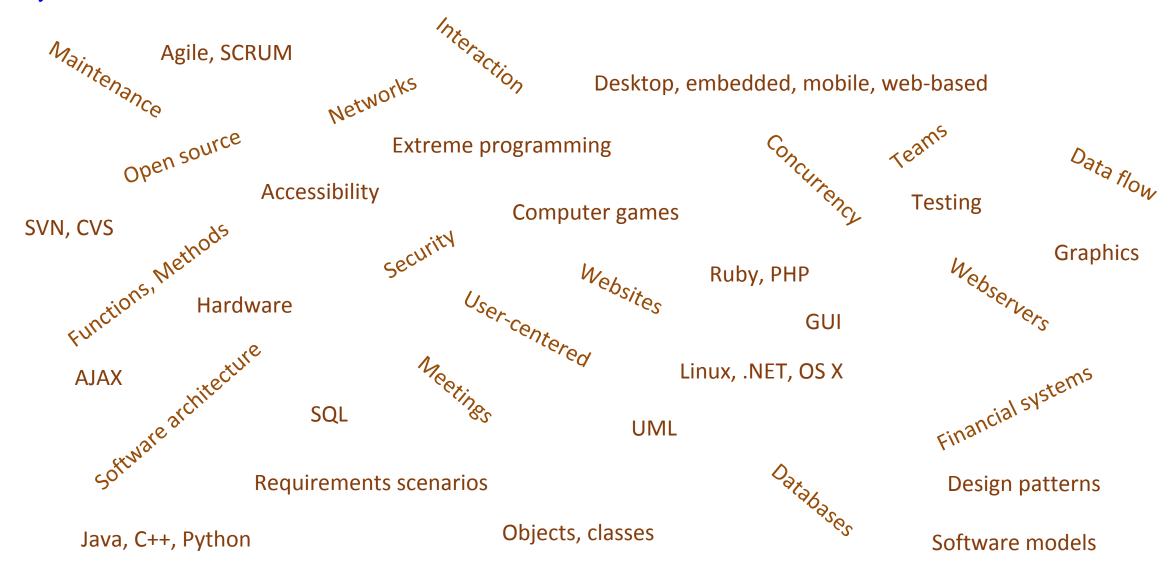
Teamwork

Process

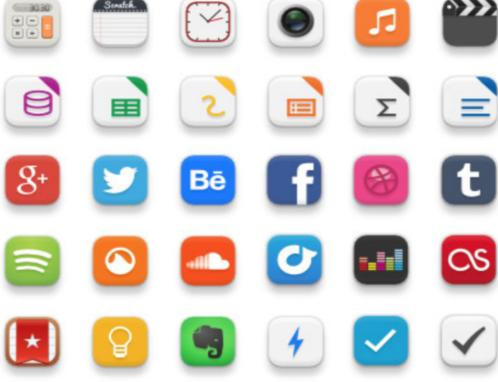
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This course is about... Tools, Technologies and processes for Software Systems.







Hardware

Software

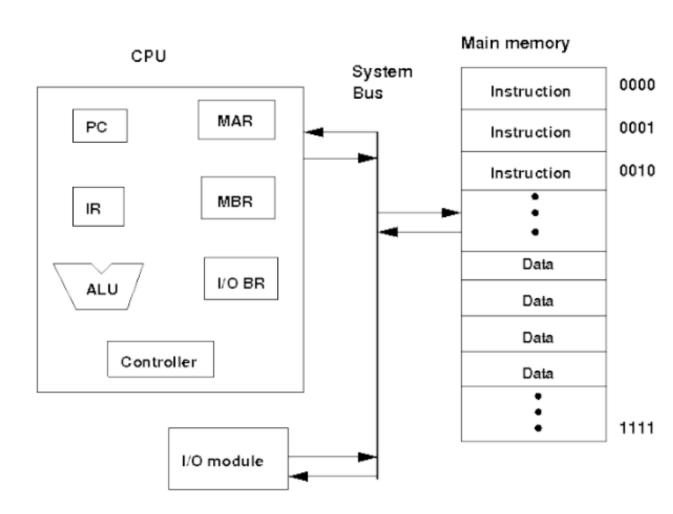
Requirements for Basic Computing Device

- Input and Output Unit
- Memory Unit {primary, secondary}
- Processing Unit {ALU, CU, Registers}
- Interconnection Structures {control, address & data buses}

Ingredients for a Better Computation Power

- Organization of Hardware
- Mode of Processing
- Storage
- Speed
- Complexity
- Control Mechanism
- Resilience

HARDWARE



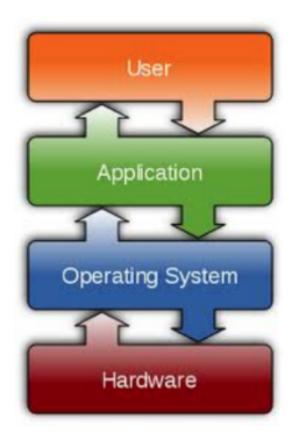
Software – A set of programs, procedures, algorithms and its documentation. It is written using programming languages

- *High-Level Languages* e.g. C, C++, Java etc.
- Assembly Language mnemonic-based e.g. ADD, SUB, MOV
- Low-Level Language native language of computer circuitry

Language – has Syntactic + Semantic rules, otherwise called as Syntax, logical and/or runtime errors

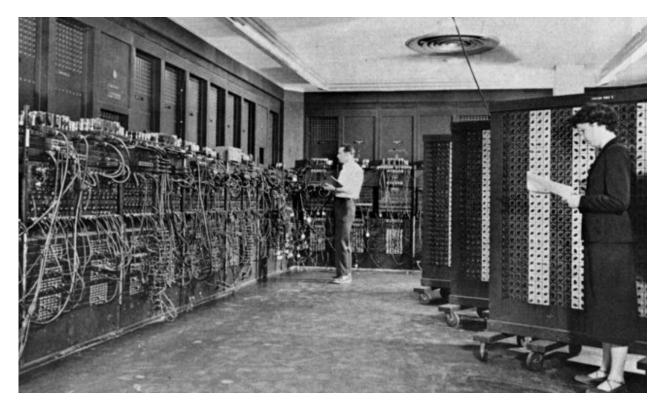
Types – Complied Languages Vs Interpreted Languages

Usage – Application Software Vs System Software



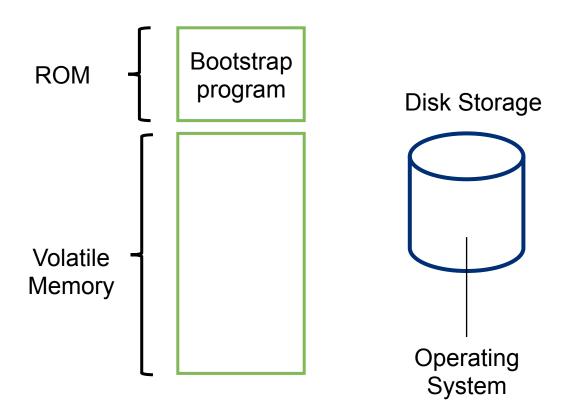
Operating System – A set of Software that *manages* computer hardware resources and *serves* other programs. It is a low-level software that supports a computer's basic functions, such as scheduling tasks and controlling peripherals. *Examples* – Windows, Unix, BSD, Linux, OS X, iOS, ChromeOS, Android etc.

Memory - Computer memory is any physical device capable of storing information temporarily or permanently. **RAM** (**Random Access Memory**) is an example for temporary memory where as **ROM** (**Read only Memory**) is an example for permanent memory

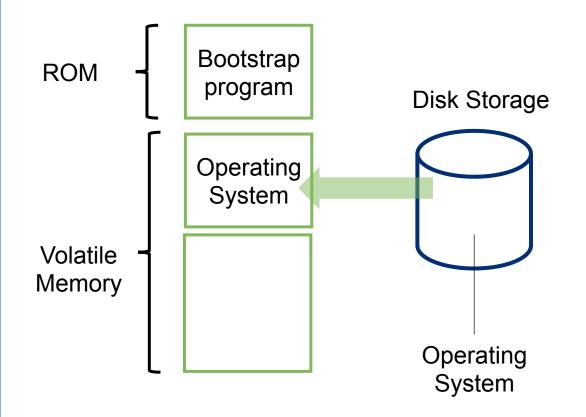




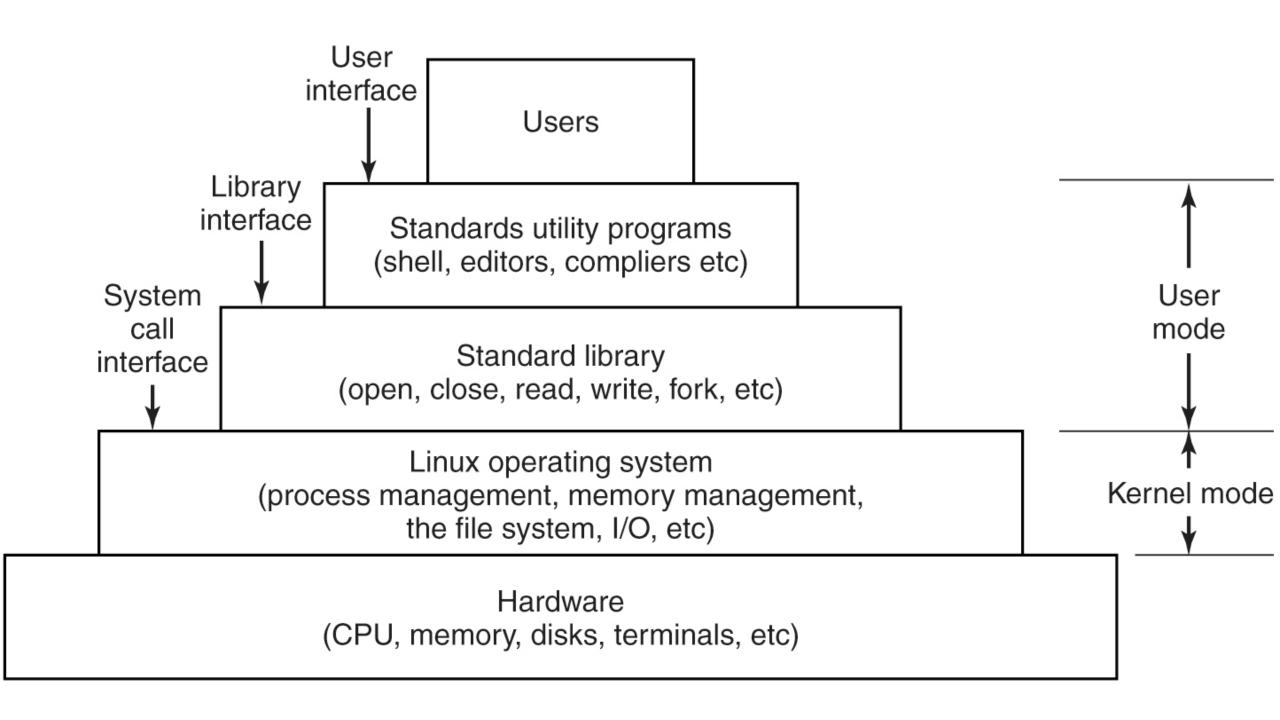
Did you know? – A Modern Smart Phone is 320,000,000 times "more powerful" than the ENIAC https://www.guora.com/How-many-ENIAC-computers-would-fit-into-an-iPhone



Step 1 – Machine starts by executing the bootstrap program already in ROM. Operating System is stored in Mass Storage (Disk Storage)

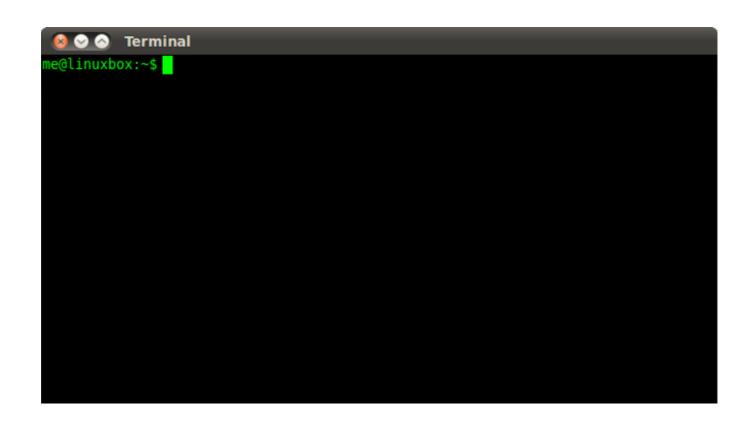


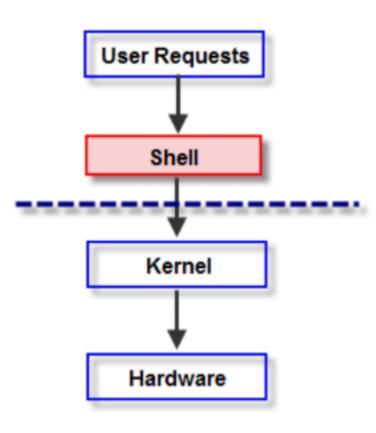
Step 2 – Bootstrap program directs the transfer of the operating system into main memory and then transfers control to it



SHELL - A program (a.k.a. command-line interpreter) that allows the user to interact with the UNIX/Linux system.

Examples: Bourne shell (sh), Bourne again shell (Bash), C shell (csh, tcsh), Korn shell (ksh), Powershell (windows)





Keep checking MOODLE!!!