

RTX Operating System Report

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2.7 System Processes

2.7.1 Null Process

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The null process has the lowest priority of any process in the operating system. It runs only when there are no ready processes to be run. When it runs, all it does is invoke `k_release_processor()` so that the kernel can check if there is a ready process to be run.

Algorithm 1 The null system process

```
1: procedure NULL_PROCESS
2:   while true do
3:     K_RELEASE_PROCESSOR()
4:   end while
5: end procedure
```

2.7.2 KCD Process

Peter

The Keyboard Command Decoder process exists so that users can send console commands to the system at runtime. A command can be registered by sending the KCD process a `KCD_REG` type message. The KCD maintains a list of registered commands inside an array. When a `DEFAULT` command is sent to the KCD, the KCD will try to identify the message type, and will send the message to the appropriate process if it recognizes the command in its array. The KCD process is an intermediary between the UART i-process (which registers the keystrokes) and the eventual receiving message (which executes the command).

Algorithm 2 The null system process

```
1: procedure NULL_PROCESS
2:   while true do
3:     K_RELEASE_PROCESSOR()
4:   end while
5: end procedure
```

2.7.3 CRT Process

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The CRT process is used to print text to the system console. The process waits for messages of type CRT_DISP. If it receives such a message, it will send it to the UART i-process and modify the IER register so that the UART treats the message as an output message rather than an input. The UART will then output the text message to the console.

Algorithm 3 The CRT Process

```
1: procedure CRT_PROCESS
2:   while true do
3:     message = RECEIVE_MESSAGE()
4:     if message is of type CRT_DISPLAY then
5:       Send message to UART iprocess
6:       Set interrupt bits
7:     else
8:       RELEASE_MEMORY_BLOCK(message)
9:     end if
10:  end while
11: end procedure
```

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```
/* PUT C Code here */
```

Algorithm 4 This is an algorithm

```
1: function FOO
2:   for  $i = 0$  to  $n$  do
3:     if  $i$  is prime then
4:       return  $i$ 
5:     end if
6:   end for
7:   return not found
8: end function
```

Chapter 3

Major Design Changes

Add more sections as appropriate

3.1 Structure of Process Queue

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Chapter 4

Lessons Learned

Everyone contribute something

Chapter 5

Timing and Analysis

This still needs to be programmed