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CS 3104 OPERATING SYSTEMS

CHAPTER 1



RESOURCE MANAGEMENT: IMPORTANT FACTS



- An **operating system** is a **resource manager**.

- **Resources** that **OS** must manage:
 - system's CPU
 - memory space
 - file-storage space
 - I/O devices

PROCESS MANAGEMENT



- **Process:**
 - It is a **program in execution**.
 - It is a **unit of work within the system**
- **Program is a passive entity**
- **Process is an active entity**
- **Process needs resources** to accomplish its task:
 - CPU, memory, I/O, Files
 - Initialization data (input)
- **Important Note:**
 - When the **process terminates**, the **OS will reclaim any reusable resources**.

PROCESS MANAGEMENT



- **Single-threaded process** has one **program counter** specifying location of the next instruction to execute
- **Process** executes instructions **sequentially, one at a time**, until completion
- **Multithreaded process** has one **program counter** per thread
- Typically, a **system has many processes** running concurrently on one or more CPUs.
 - **Operating-system processes** (those that execute system code)
 - **User processes** (those that execute user code)
 - **Concurrency** is done by **multiplexing the CPUs** among the **processes / threads**

PROCESS MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES



- The OS is responsible for the following activities in connection with process management:
 - Creating and deleting both user and system processes
 - Scheduling processes and threads on the CPUs
 - Suspending and resuming processes
 - Providing mechanisms for process synchronization
 - Providing mechanisms for process communication
 - Providing mechanisms for deadlock handling

MEMORY MANAGEMENT



- To execute a program, **all (or part) of the instructions must be in memory**
 - **All (or part) of the data** that are **needed by the program must be in memory**
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- **Memory management** determines:
 - what is in memory and
 - when optimizing CPU utilization and computer's response to users
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- **Memory management activities:**
 - Keeping track of which parts of memory are currently being used and which process is using them
 - Deciding which processes (or parts of processes) and data to move into and out of memory
 - Allocating and deallocating memory space as needed

FILE-SYSTEM MANAGEMENT



- **OS** provides **uniform, logical view of information storage**
 - OS abstracts physical properties to logical storage unit (**file**)
 - Each medium is controlled by device (i.e., disk drive, tape drive)
 - **Varying properties** include:
 - **access speed**
 - **capacity**
 - **data-transfer rate**
 - **access method** (sequential or random)

- **File-System management:**
 - **Files** usually **organized into directories**
 - **Access control on most systems** to determine who can access what
 - **OS activities include:**
 - Creating and deleting files
 - Creating and deleting directories to organize files
 - Supporting primitives for manipulating files and directories
 - Mapping files onto mass storage
 - Backing up files on stable (nonvolatile) storage media

MASS-STORAGE MANAGEMENT



- Usually, **these are disks**:
 - used to store data that does not fit in main memory, or
 - data that must be kept for a “long” period of time
- Proper management is of central importance
- Entire speed of computer operation hinges on disk subsystem and its algorithms

MASS-STORAGE MANAGEMENT



- **OS activities with secondary storage management:**

- Mounting and unmounting
- Free-space management
- Storage allocation
- Disk scheduling
- Partitioning
- Protection

- Some storage need not be fast

- Tertiary storage includes magnetic tape, optical storage, and Blu-ray drives
- Not crucial but still must be managed (by OS or applications)

CACHE MANAGEMENT



- **Caching:**
 - Important principle of computer systems
 - Performed at many levels in a computer (**in hardware, operating system, software**)
- Information in use is copied from slower to faster storage temporarily
- **Faster storage (cache)** is checked first to determine if information is there
 - If it is, information is used directly from the cache (fast)
 - If not, information is copied to cache and it is used there
- **Cache is smaller** than the storage being cached
 - Cache management is important in design problem
 - Cache size and replacement policy are also considered

CHARACTERISTICS OF VARIOUS TYPES OF STORAGE



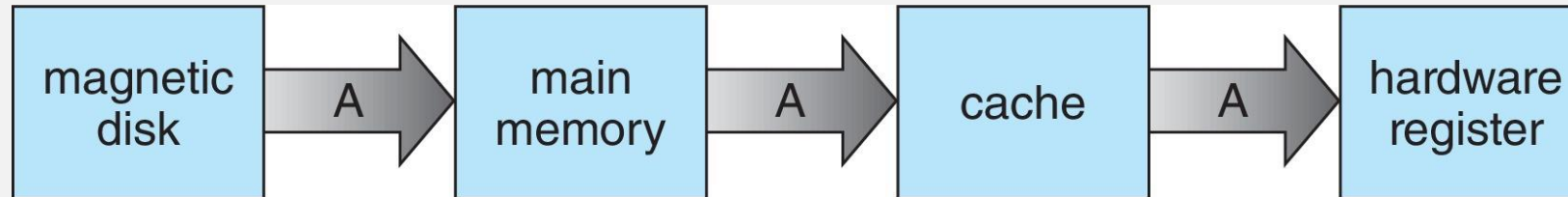
Level	1	2	3	4	5
Name	registers	cache	main memory	solid-state disk	magnetic disk
Typical size	< 1 KB	< 16MB	< 64GB	< 1 TB	< 10 TB
Implementation technology	custom memory with multiple ports CMOS	on-chip or off-chip CMOS SRAM	CMOS SRAM	flash memory	magnetic disk
Access time (ns)	0.25-0.5	0.5-25	80-250	25,000-50,000	5,000,000
Bandwidth (MB/sec)	20,000-100,000	5,000-10,000	1,000-5,000	500	20-150
Managed by	compiler	hardware	operating system	operating system	operating system
Backed by	cache	main memory	disk	disk	disk or tape

- **Movement between levels of storage hierarchy can be explicit or implicit**

MIGRATION OF DATA “A” FROM DISK TO REGISTER



- **Multitasking environments** must be careful to use most recent value, no matter where it is stored in the storage hierarchy



- **Multiprocessor environment** must provide **cache coherency** in hardware such that all CPUs have the most recent value in their cache
- **Distributed environment** situation is even more complex
 - Several copies of a datum can exist
 - Various solutions are covered in Chapter 19

I/O SUBSYSTEM



- One purpose of OS is to **hide peculiarities of hardware devices from the user**
- Peculiarities of I/O devices are **hidden** from the bulk of the operating system itself by the I/O subsystem
- I/O subsystem is responsible for:
 - **Memory management of I/O** including;
 - **buffering** (storing data temporarily while it is being transferred),
 - **caching** (storing parts of data in faster storage for performance),
 - **spooling** (the overlapping of output of one job with input of other jobs)
 - **General device-driver interface**
 - **Drivers for specific hardware devices**

SECURITY AND PROTECTION



- **Security:** defense of the system against internal and external attacks
 - Huge range: denial-of-service, worms, viruses, identity theft, theft of service

- **Protection:** any mechanism for controlling access of processes or users to resources defined by the OS

- **Systems** generally first distinguish among users, to determine who can do what:
 - **User identities** (user IDs, security IDs) include name and associated number, one per user
 - **User ID** then associated with all files, processes of that user to determine access control
 - **Group Identifier (group ID)** allows set of users to be defined and controls management, then also associated with each process, file
 - **Privilege escalation** allows user to change to effective ID with more rights

VIRTUALIZATION



- The **creation of a virtual (rather than actual) version of something**, such as an operating system (OS), a server, a desktop, a storage device or network resources.
- A **technology that allows us to abstract the hardware of a single computer into several different execution environments**
- Creating the illusion that each separate environment is running on its own private computer
- Allows operating systems to run as applications within other Operating Systems
- Vast and growing industry

VIRTUALIZATION



- **Virtualization software is one member of a class that also includes emulation**
 - **Emulation** is used when source CPU type is different from target type
 - (i.e., PowerPC to Intel x86)
 - generally, it is the slowest method
 - emulated code may run much more slowly than the native code

- **Virtualization: OS natively compiled for CPU, running guest Operating Systems also natively compiled**
 - Consider **VMware** running **WinXP** guests, **each running applications, all on native WinXP host OS**
 - **VMM (Virtual Machine Manager)** provides **virtualization services**

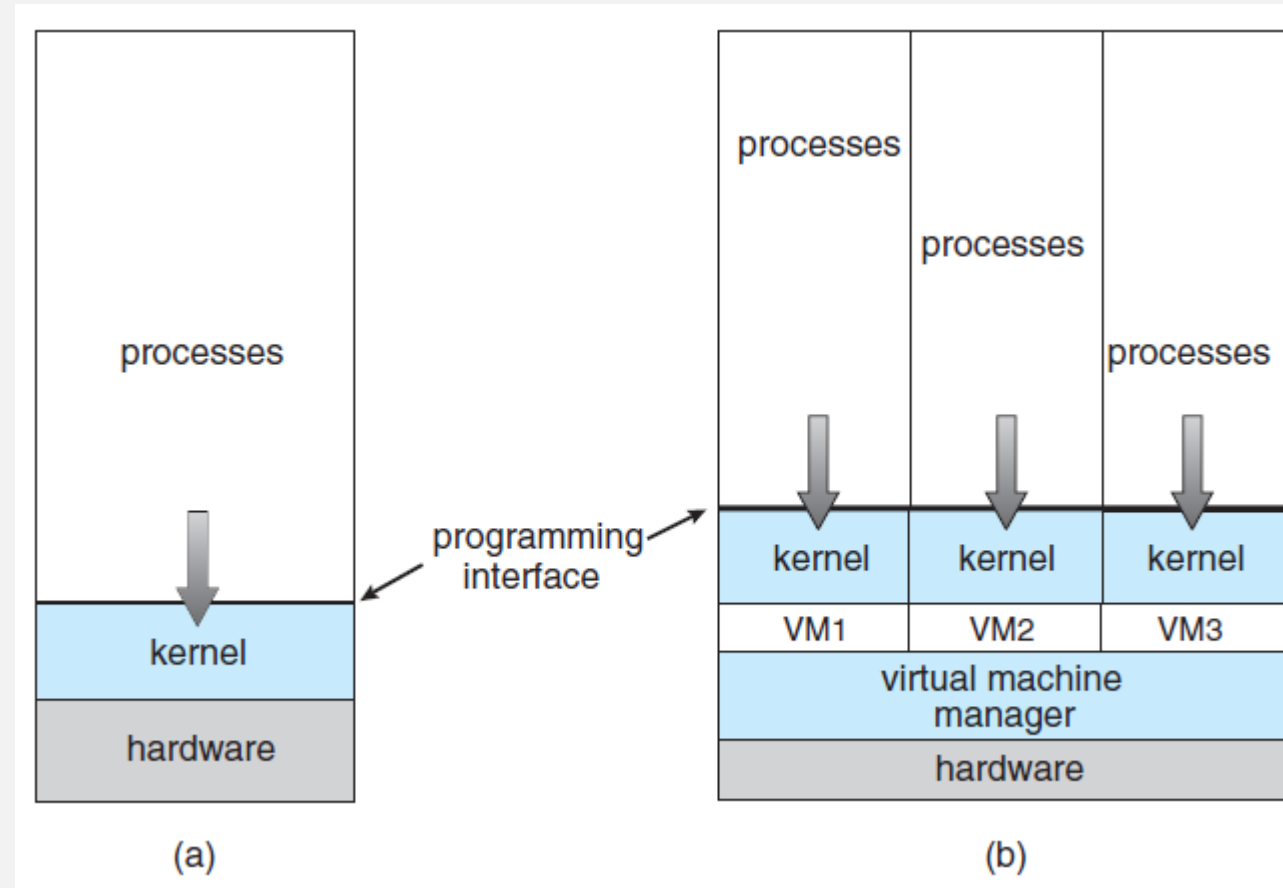
VIRTUALIZATION



- Use cases that involve laptops and desktops **running multiple Operating Systems** for exploration or compatibility
 - Apple laptop running Mac OS X host, Windows as a guest
 - Developing apps for multiple Operating Systems without having multiple systems
 - QA testing applications without having multiple systems
 - Executing and managing compute environments within data centers

- VMM can run natively, in which case they are also the host
 - There is no general purpose host then (VMware ESX and Citrix XenServer)

COMPUTING ENVIRONMENTS: VIRTUALIZATION



A computer running (a) a single operating system and (b) three virtual machines.

DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS



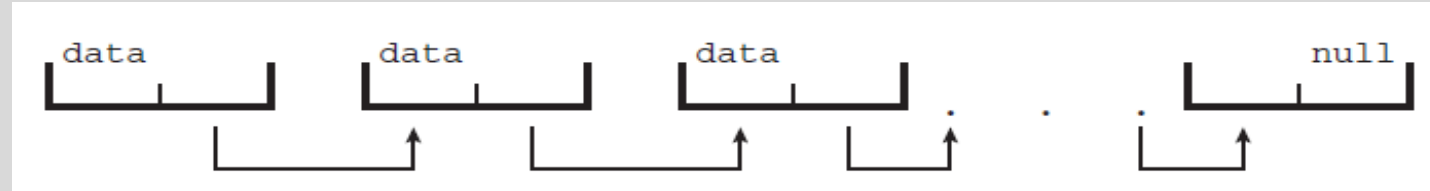
- **Distributed computing:** a field of computer science that studies distributed systems
- **Distributed Systems:**
 - Collection of physically separate, possibly heterogeneous computer systems networked together
 - **Network** is a communication path between 2 or more systems
 - TCP/IP is the most common network protocol used
 - ❖ **Local Area Network (LAN)**
 - ❖ **Wide Area Network (WAN)**
 - ❖ **Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)**
 - ❖ **Personal Area Network (PAN)**
- **Network Operating System:** provides features between systems across network
 - Communication scheme allows systems to exchange messages
 - Illusion of a single system

KERNEL DATA STRUCTURES

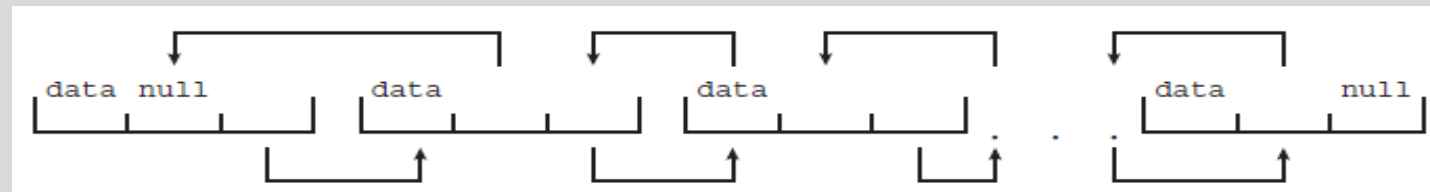


- Many similar to standard programming data structures:

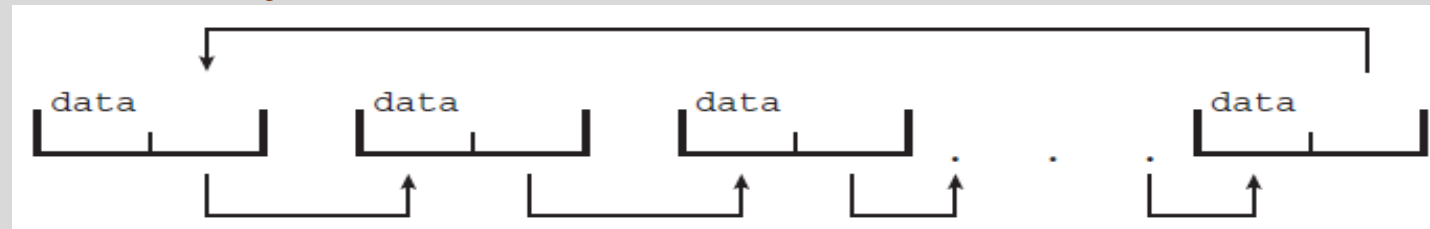
- Singly linked list



- Doubly linked list



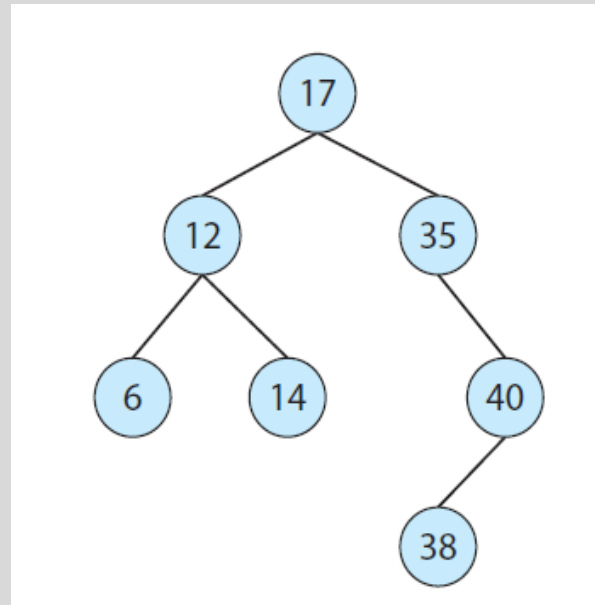
- Circularly linked list



KERNEL DATA STRUCTURES



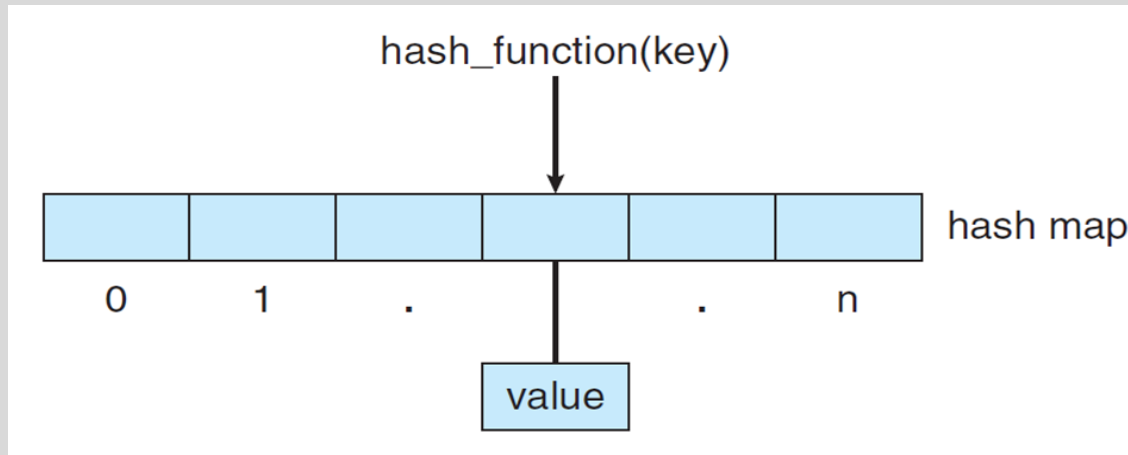
- **Binary Search Tree: left \leq right**
 - Search performance is $O(n)$
 - Balanced binary search tree is $O(\log n)$



KERNEL DATA STRUCTURES



- **Hash function** can create a **hash map**
- **Hash Map:**
 - which **associates** (or **maps**) **[key:value]** **pairs** using a **hash function**



- **Hash function:**
 - takes **data** as its input, performs a **numeric operation** on the data, and **returns** a **numeric value**
 - this **numeric value** can then be used as an **index** into a **table** (typically an array) to quickly **retrieve** the data
- **Example:**

Suppose that a user name is mapped to a password

 - **Password authentication** then proceeds as follows: a user enters her user name and password
 - **Hash function** is applied to the user name, which is then used to retrieve the password
 - The **retrieved password** is then compared with the password entered by the user for authentication

KERNEL DATA STRUCTURES



- **Bitmap:**

- a string of n binary digits representing the status of n items

- **Example:**

Suppose we have several resources; availability of each resource is **indicated by the value of a binary digit**: **0** means **resource is available**, while **1** indicates that **it is unavailable (or vice versa)**

- Consider the **bitmap** shown below:

001011101

- Resources 2, 4, 5, 6, and 8 are unavailable
- Resources 0, 1, 3, and 7 are available

- **Bitmaps:** commonly used when there is a need to represent the availability of a large number of resources.

- **Example:** Disk drives

- Medium-sized disk drive is divided into several thousand individual units (**disk blocks**)
- A **bitmap** can be used to **indicate the availability of each disk block**

LINUX KERNEL DATA STRUCTURES



- The **data structures** used in the Linux kernel are available in the kernel source code.
- The *include* file `<linux/list.h>` provides details of the linked-list data structure used throughout the kernel.
- A **queue** in Linux is known as a **kfifo**, and its implementation can be found in the **kfifo.c** file in the **kernel** directory of the source code.
- Linux also provides a balanced binary search tree implementation using *red-black trees*.
- **Details** can be found in the include file `<linux/rbtree.h>`.

COMPUTING ENVIRONMENTS: TRADITIONAL



- **Stand-alone** general-purpose machines
- But **blurred**, as most systems interconnect with others (i.e., the Internet)
- **Portals** provide web access to internal systems
- **Network computers (thin clients)** are like Web terminals
- **Mobile computers** interconnect via **wireless networks**
- **Networking** becoming ubiquitous (even home systems use **firewalls** to protect home computers from Internet attacks)

COMPUTING ENVIRONMENTS: MOBILE

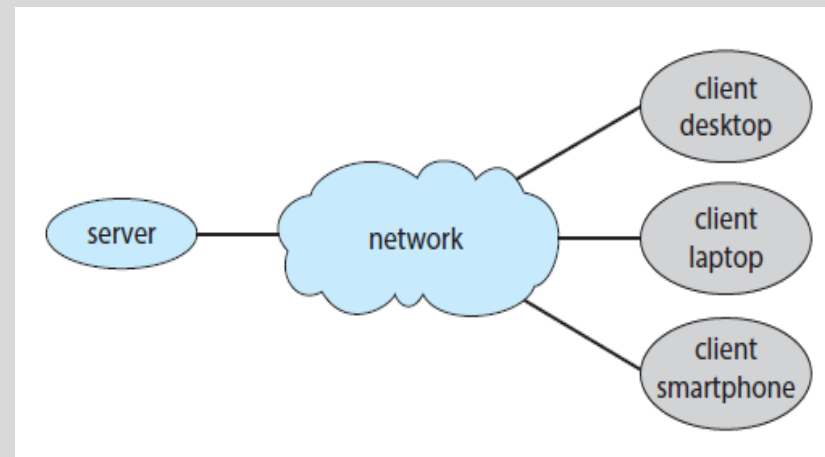


- Handheld smartphones, tablets, etc.
- What is the functional difference between them and a “traditional” laptop?
- Extra feature – more OS features (GPS, gyroscope)
- Allows new types of apps like *augmented reality*
- Use IEEE 802.11 wireless, or cellular data networks for connectivity
- Leaders are **Apple iOS** and **Google Android**

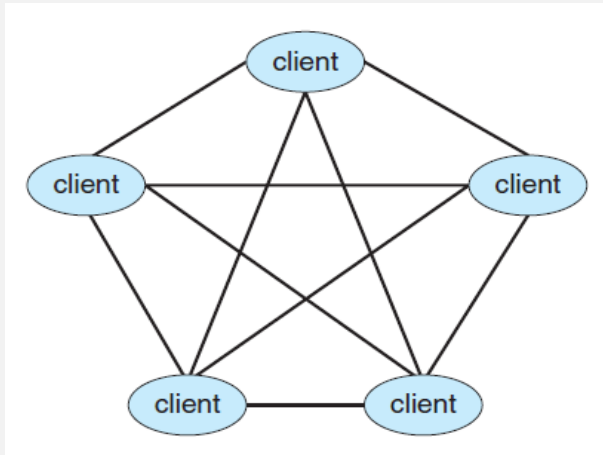
COMPUTING ENVIRONMENTS: CLIENT-SERVER



- **Client-Server Computing:**
 - Dumb terminals supplanted by smart PCs
 - Many systems now **servers**, responding to requests generated by **clients**
 - **Compute-server system:** provides an interface to client to request services
✓ (i.e., database)
 - **File-server system:** provides interface for clients to store and retrieve files



COMPUTING ENVIRONMENTS: PEER-TO-PEER



- Another model of distributed system
- P2P does not distinguish clients and servers
 - Instead all nodes are considered peers
 - May each act as client, server or both
 - Node must join P2P network
 - Registers its service with central lookup service on network, or
 - Broadcast request for service and respond to requests for service via *discovery protocol*
 - Examples include Napster and Gnutella, **Voice over IP (VoIP)** such as Skype

COMPUTING ENVIRONMENTS: CLOUD COMPUTING



- Delivers computing, storage, even apps as a service across a network
- Logical extension of virtualization because it uses virtualization as the base for its functionality
- Amazon **EC2** has thousands of servers, millions of virtual machines, petabytes of storage available across the Internet, pay is based on usage

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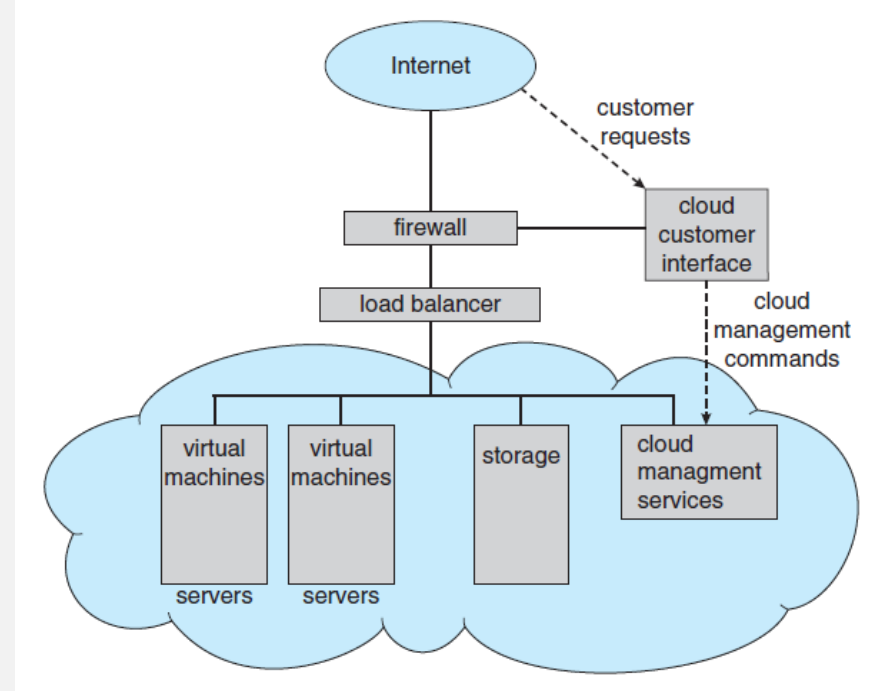
■ Many types:

- **Public cloud:** available via Internet to anyone willing to pay
- **Private cloud:** run by a company for the company's own use
- **Hybrid cloud:** includes both public and private cloud components
- **Software as a Service (SaaS):** one or more applications available via the Internet (i.e., word processor)
- **Platform as a Service (PaaS):** software stack ready for application use via the Internet (i.e., a database server)
- **Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS):** servers or storage available over Internet (i.e., storage available for backup use)

COMPUTING ENVIRONMENTS: CLOUD COMPUTING



- **Cloud computing environments:**
 - composed of traditional Operating Systems, plus VMMs, plus cloud management tools
 - Internet connectivity requires security like firewalls
 - Load balancers spread traffic across multiple applications





REAL-TIME EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

- **Real-time embedded systems** are the most prevalent form of computers
 - Vary considerable, special purpose, limited purpose OS: **real-time OS**
 - Use expanding

- Many other special computing environments as well
 - Some have Operating System
 - Some perform tasks without an OS

- Real-time OS has well-defined fixed time constraints
 - Processing ***must*** be done within constraint
 - Correct operation only if constraints met

FREE AND OPEN-SOURCE OPERATING SYSTEMS



- **Operating systems** made available in source-code format rather than just binary **closed-source** and **proprietary**
- Counter to the **copy protection** and **Digital Rights Management (DRM)** movement
- Started by **Free Software Foundation (FSF)**, which has “**copyleft**” **GNU Public License (GPL)**
 - Free software and open-source software are two different ideas championed by different groups of people

FREE AND OPEN-SOURCE OPERATING SYSTEMS



- Examples include **GNU/Linux** and **BSD UNIX** (including core of **Mac OS X**), and **many more**
- Can use **VMM** like **VMware Player** (Free on Windows), **Virtualbox** (open source and free on many platforms - <https://www.virtualbox.org>)
 - Used to run guest operating systems for exploration



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