

**5. I/O System Management:** One of the main objects of any OS is to hide the peculiarities of that hardware device from the user.

**6. Secondary-Storage Management:** Systems have several levels of storage which include primary storage, secondary storage, and cache storage. Instructions and data must be stored in primary storage or cache so that a running program can reference them.

**7. Security:** The security module protects the data and information of a computer system against malware threats and authorized access.

**8. Command Interpretation:** This module is interpreting commands given by the acting system resources to process those commands.

**9. Networking:** A distributed system is a group of processors which do not share a memory, hardware devices, or a clock. The processors communicate with one another through the network.

**10. Job Accounting:** Keeping track of time & resources used by various jobs and users.

**11. Communication Management:** Coordination and assignment of compilers, interpreters, and other software resource of the various users of the computer systems.

## Features of Operating System (OS)

Here is a list of important features of OS:

- Protected and supervisor mode
- Allows disk access and file systems device drivers networking security
- Program Execution
- Memory management Virtual Memory Multitasking
- Handling I/O operations
- Manipulation of the file system

- Error Detection and handling
- Resource allocation
- Information and Resource Protection

### **Advantages of Operating System**

- Allows you to hide details of hardware by creating an abstraction.
- Easy to use with a GUI.
- Offers an environment in which a user may execute programs/applications
- The operating system must make sure that the computer system is convenient to use
- Operating System acts as an intermediary among applications and the hardware components
- It provides the computer system resources with easy to use the format
- Acts as an intermediary between all hardware and software of the system

### **Disadvantages of Operating System**

- If any issue occurs in OS, you may lose all the contents which have been stored in your system
- Operating system software is quite expensive for small size organizations which adds a burden on them. Example Windows
- It is never entirely secure as a threat can occur at any time.

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