

#### **Chapter 1: Introduction**

- What is an Operating System?
- Mainframe Systems
- Desktop Systems
- Multiprocessor Systems
- Distributed Systems
- Clustered System
- Real -Time Systems
- Handheld Systems
- Computing Environments





## What is an Operating System?

- A program that acts as an intermediary between a user of a computer and the computer hardware.
- Operating system goals:
  - Execute user programs and make solving user problems easier.
  - Make the computer system convenient to use.
- Use the computer hardware in an efficient manner.



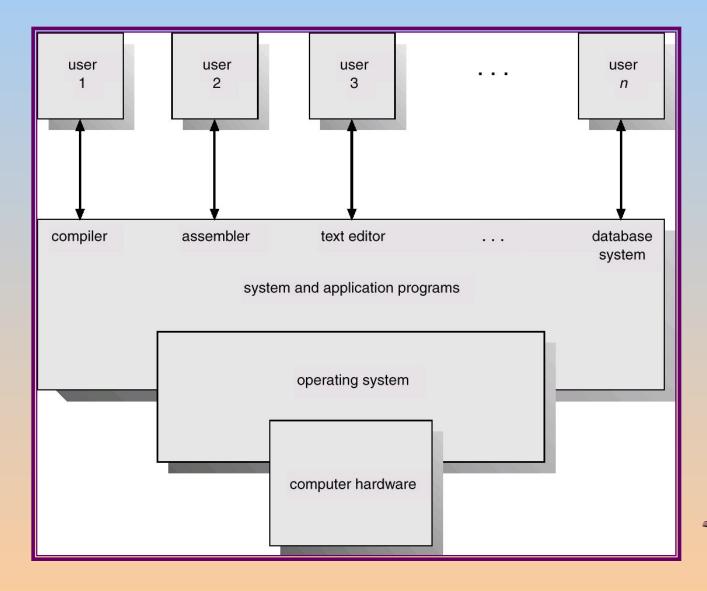


#### **Computer System Components**

- 1. Hardware provides basic computing resources (CPU, memory, I/O devices).
- 2. Operating system controls and coordinates the use of the hardware among the various application programs for the various users.
- 3. Applications programs define the ways in which the system resources are used to solve the computing problems of the users (compilers, database systems, video games, business programs).
- 4. Users (people, machines, other computers).



# **Abstract View of System Components**







## **Operating System Definitions**

- Resource allocator manages and allocates resources.
- Control program controls the execution of user programs and operations of I/O devices .
- Kernel the one program running at all times (all else being application programs).





## **Mainframe Systems**

- Reduce setup time by batching similar jobs
- Automatic job sequencing automatically transfers control from one job to another. First rudimentary operating system.
- Resident monitor
  - initial control in monitor
  - control transfers to job
  - when job completes control transfers pack to monitor





#### **Memory Layout for a Simple Batch System**

operating system

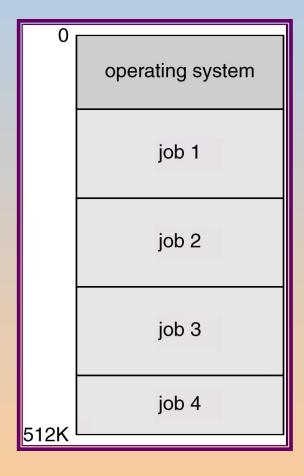
user program area





# **Multiprogrammed Batch Systems**

Several jobs are kept in main memory at the same time, and the CPU is multiplexed among them.







#### **OS Features Needed for Multiprogramming**

- I/O routine supplied by the system.
- Memory management the system must allocate the memory to several jobs.
- CPU scheduling the system must choose among several jobs ready to run.
- Allocation of devices.





- The CPU is multiplexed among several jobs that are kept in memory and on disk (the CPU is allocated to a job only if the job is in memory).
- A job swapped in and out of memory to the disk.
- On-line communication between the user and the system is provided; when the operating system finishes the execution of one command, it seeks the next "control statement" from the user's keyboard.
- On-line system must be available for users to access data and code.





## **Desktop Systems**

- *Personal computers* computer system dedicated to a single user.
- I/O devices keyboards, mice, display screens, small printers.
- User convenience and responsiveness.
- Can adopt technology developed for larger operating system' often individuals have sole use of computer and do not need advanced CPU utilization of protection features.
- May run several different types of operating systems (Windows, MacOS, UNIX, Linux)





## **Parallel Systems**

- Multiprocessor systems with more than on CPU in close communication.
- *Tightly coupled system* processors share memory and a clock; communication usually takes place through the shared memory.
- Advantages of parallel system:
  - Increased throughput
  - Economical
  - Increased reliability
    - graceful degradation
    - fail-soft systems





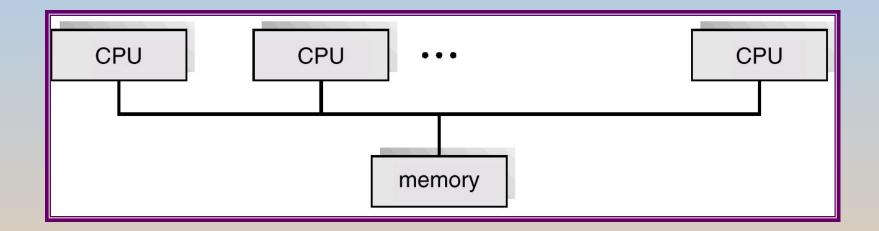
## **Parallel Systems (Cont.)**

- Symmetric multiprocessing (SMP)
  - Each processor runs and identical copy of the operating system.
  - Many processes can run at once without performance deterioration.
  - Most modern operating systems support SMP
- Asymmetric multiprocessing
  - Each processor is assigned a specific task; master processor schedules and allocated work to slave processors.
  - More common in extremely large systems





#### **Symmetric Multiprocessing Architecture**







## **Distributed Systems**

- Distribute the computation among several physical processors.
- Loosely coupled system each processor has its own local memory; processors communicate with one another through various communications lines, such as high-speed buses or telephone lines.
- Advantages of distributed systems.
  - Resources Sharing
  - Computation speed up load sharing
  - Reliability
  - Communications





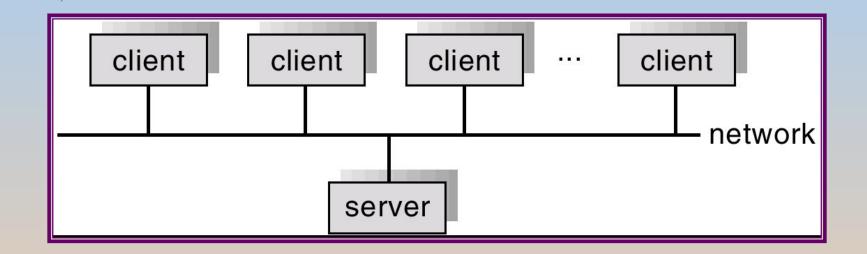
#### **Distributed Systems (cont)**

- Requires networking infrastructure.
- Local area networks (LAN) or Wide area networks (WAN)
- May be either client-server or peer-to-peer systems.





#### **General Structure of Client-Server**







#### **Clustered Systems**

- Clustering allows two or more systems to share storage.
- Provides high reliability.
- *Asymmetric clustering*: one server runs the application while other servers standby.
- Symmetric clustering: all N hosts are running the application.





#### **Real-Time Systems**

- Often used as a control device in a dedicated application such as controlling scientific experiments, medical imaging systems, industrial control systems, and some display systems.
- Well-defined fixed-time constraints.
- Real-Time systems may be either *hard* or *soft* real-time.





## **Real-Time Systems (Cont.)**

#### • Hard real-time:

- Secondary storage limited or absent, data stored in short term memory, or read-only memory (ROM)
- Conflicts with time-sharing systems, not supported by general-purpose operating systems.

#### • Soft real-time

- Limited utility in industrial control of robotics
- Useful in applications (multimedia, virtual reality) requiring advanced operating-system features.



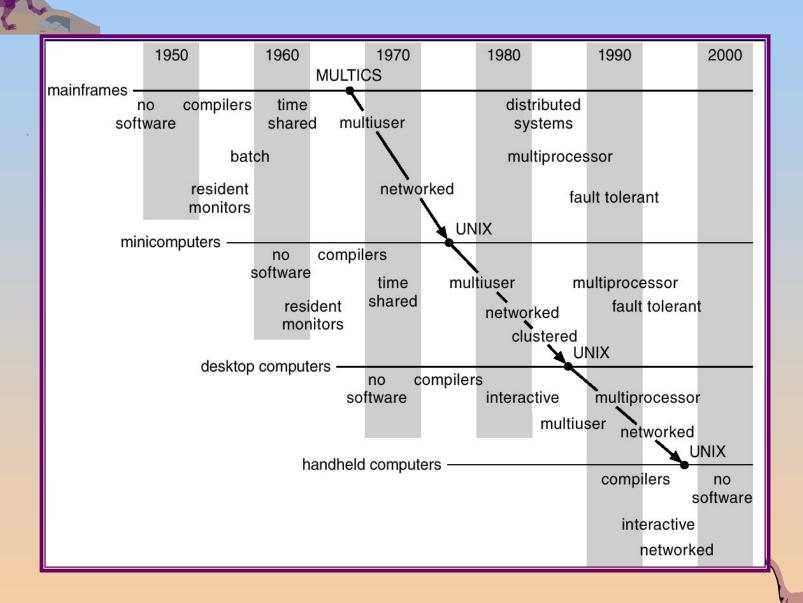


## **Handheld Systems**

- Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs)
- Cellular telephones
- Issues:
  - Limited memory
  - Slow processors
  - Small display screens.



#### **Migration of Operating-System Concepts and Features**





## **Computing Environments**

- Traditional computing
- Web-Based Computing
- Embedded Computing

