

Operating Systems

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Syllabus

IT 402: OPERATING SYSTEMS

FM – 100 Contact Periods : 3L+1T per week

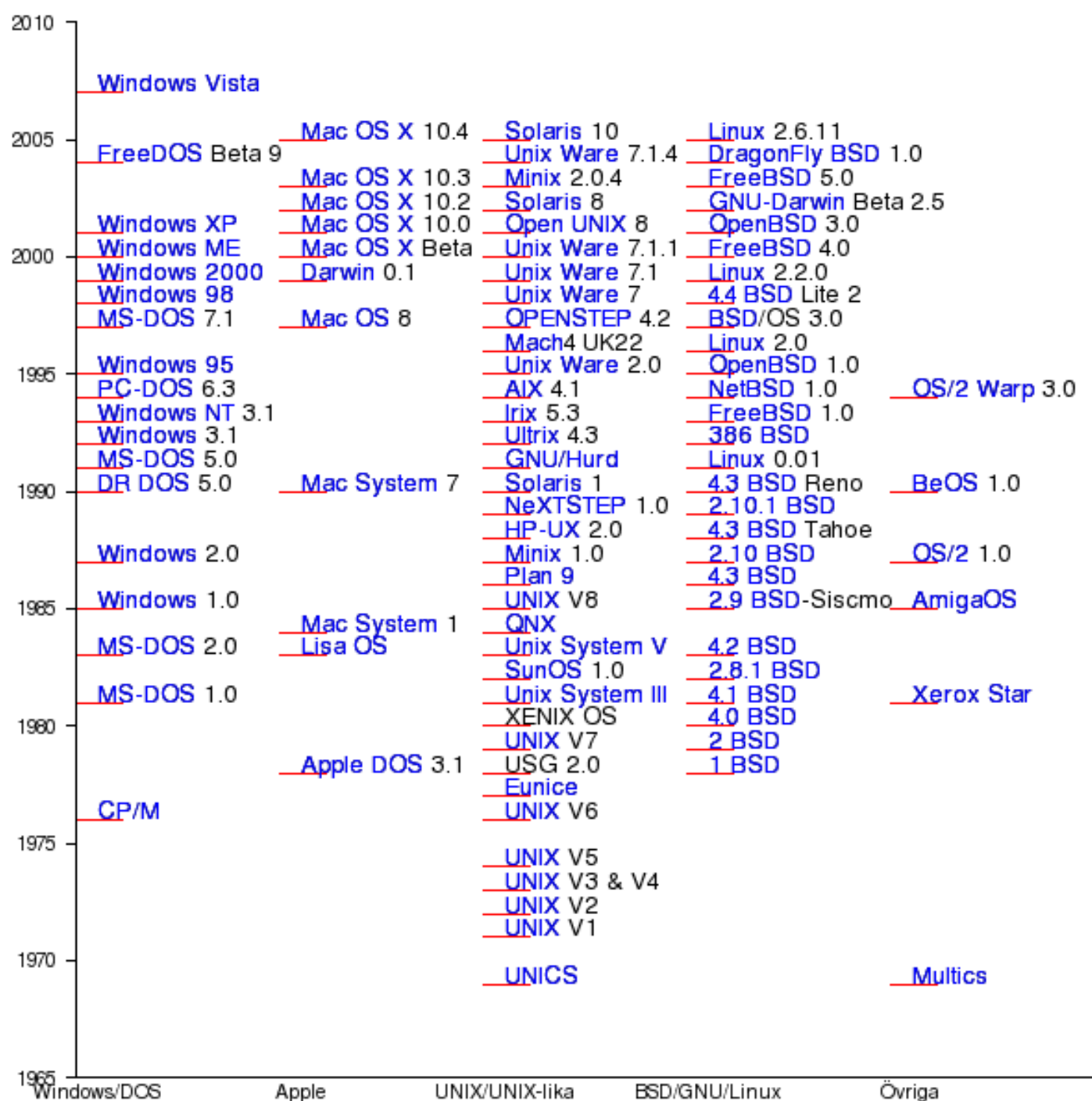
Operating System Overview, Evolution of Operating Systems, PC Hardware and x86 Programming, Address Spaces, Address Spaces on the x86, Structural overview, Interrupts -- hardware and software, privileged instructions, role of interrupts in operating system functions; Multiprocessing and Multiprogramming; Concept of process and Process synchronization, Process Management and Scheduling, Hardware requirements: protection, context switching, privileged mode; Threads and their Management,

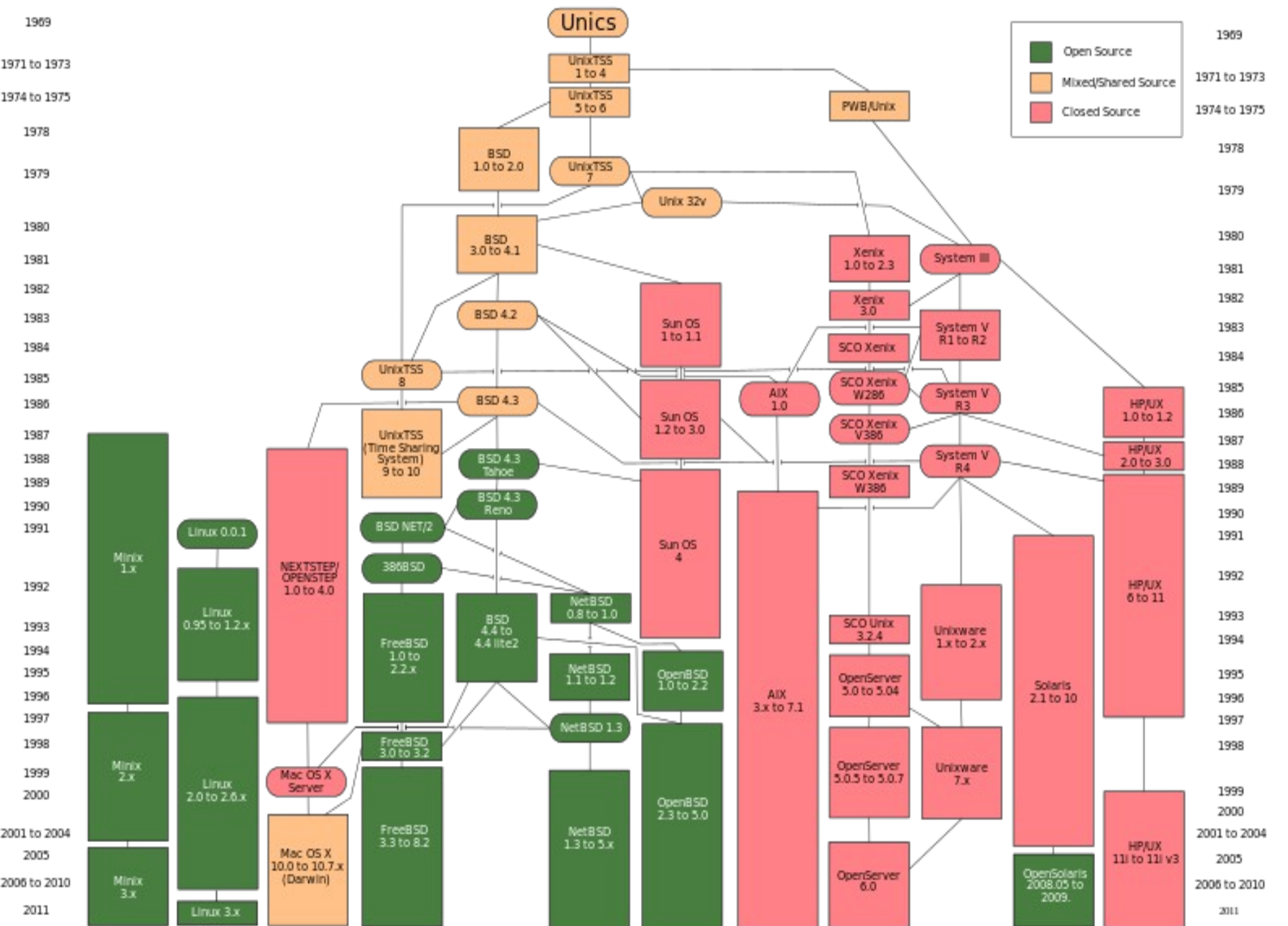
Interprocess Communication, Kernel API, Detection and Prevention of deadlocks, Dynamic Resource Allocation Memory Management: paging, virtual memory management, Design of IO systems, File Management, Device drivers, concept of driver routines.

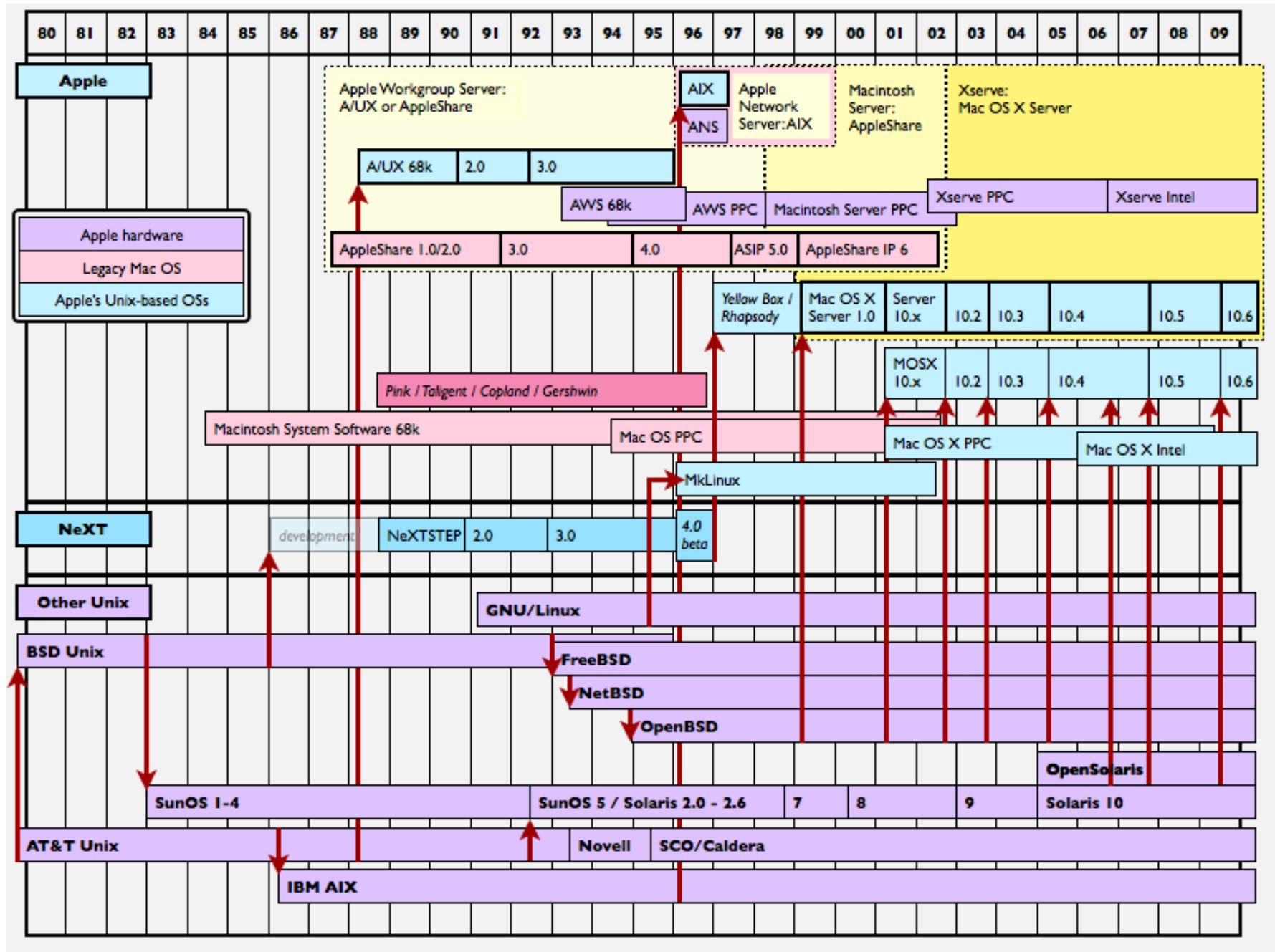
Case Studies: DOS/WINDOWS, UNIX/LINUX

Books

- Operating System Concepts –Galvin
- Computer Systems – Hallaron
- Crowley
- Dhamdhere
- Stallings
- M J Bach







How a computer system works

A *computer system* is a collection of hardware and software components that work together to run computer programs.

Hello world !!!

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2
3 int main()
4 {
5     printf("hello, world\n");
6 }
```

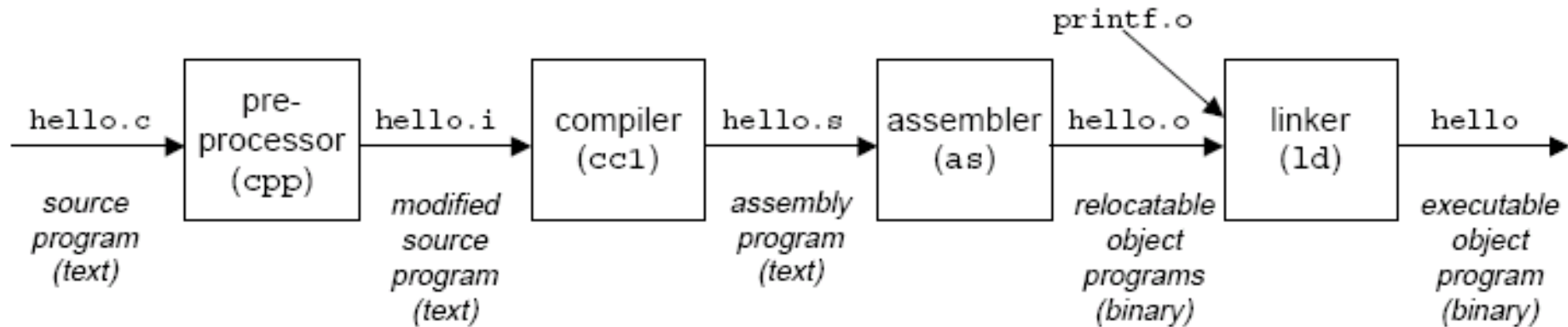

ASCII representation of hello.c

#	i	n	c	l	u	d	e	<sp>	<	s	t	d	i	o	.
35	105	110	99	108	117	100	101	32	60	115	116	100	105	111	46
h	>	\n	\n	i	n	t	<sp>	m	a	i	n	()	\n	{
104	62	10	10	105	110	116	32	109	97	105	110	40	41	10	123
\n	<sp>	<sp>	<sp>	<sp>	p	r	i	n	t	f	("	h	e	l
10	32	32	32	32	112	114	105	110	116	102	40	34	104	101	108
l	o	,	<sp>	w	o	r	l	d	\	n	")	;	\n	}
108	111	44	32	119	111	114	108	100	92	110	34	41	59	10	125

Hello.c is translated to other form

- hello.c is a high-level C program - read and understood by human
- hello.c is translated by other programs into a sequence of low-level *machine-language* instructions.
- These instructions are then packaged in a form called an *executable object program*, and stored as a binary disk file.

Compilation system



Compilation System

- Four phases:
 - Preprocessor
 - Compiler
 - Assembler
 - Linker

1. Preprocessing phase

- Modifies the original C program according to directives (begins with the # character).
- Example: `#include<stdio.h>`
 1. reads the contents of the system header file `stdio.h` and
 2. insert it directly into the program text.

hello.c → hello.i

\$ cpp hello.c

2. Compilation phase

hello.i → hello.s

- hello.s which contains an *assembly-language program*.
- Each statement in an assembly-language program exactly describes one low-level machine-language instruction in a standard text form.
- `$gcc -S hello.c`

3. Assembly phase

hello.s → hello.o

- The assembler (as) translates hello.s into machine-language instructions, packages them in a form known as a *relocatable object program*, and stores the result in the object file hello.o.
- The hello.o file is a binary file whose bytes encode machine language instructions rather than characters.

```
$ gcc -c hello.s
```

4. Linking phase

hello.o → hello

Notice that our hello program calls the printf function, the **printf function resides in a separate precompiled object file called printf.o**, which must somehow be merged with our hello.o program.

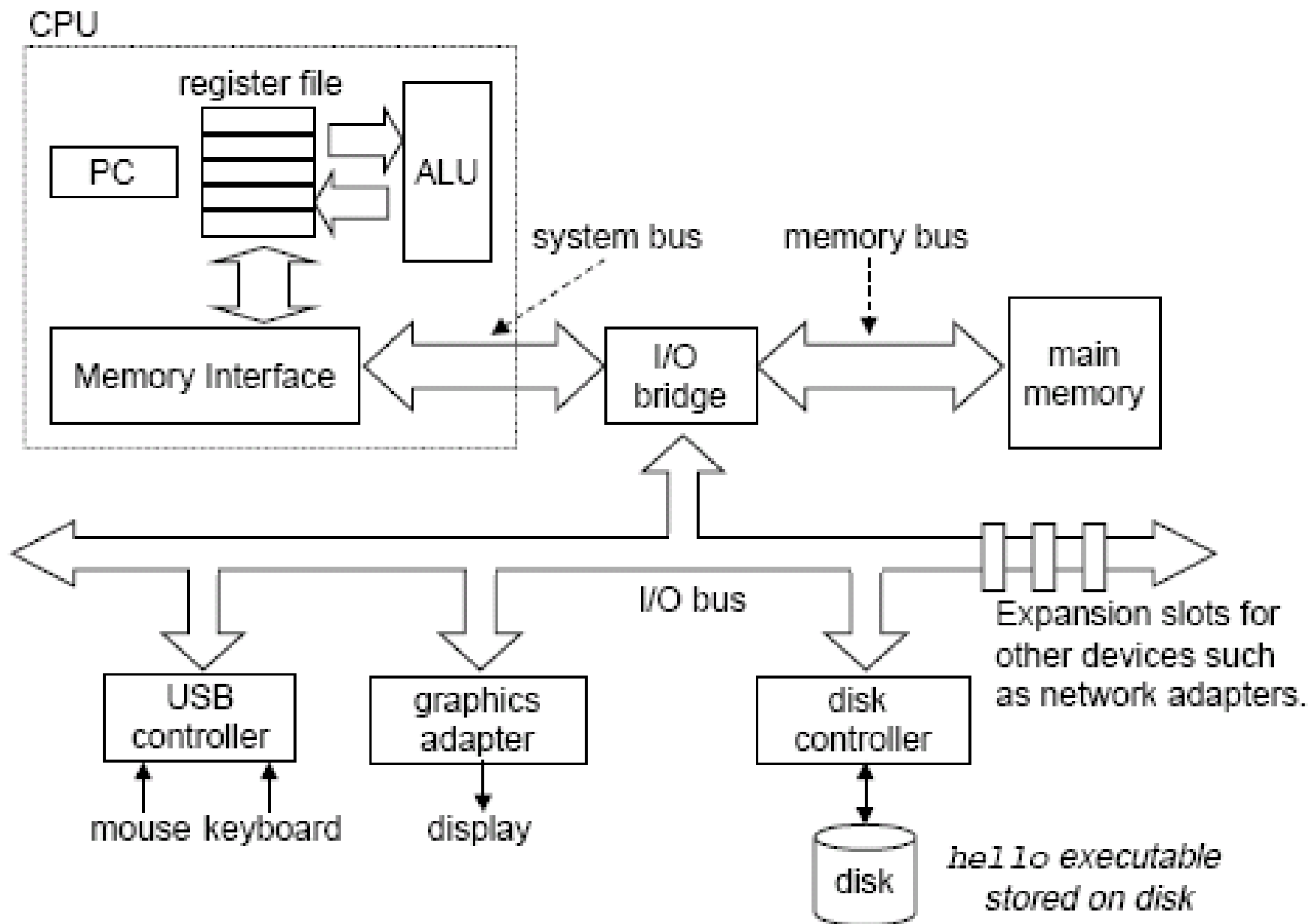
The linker (ld) handles this merging. The result is the hello file, which is an *executable object file* (or simply *executable*) that is ready to be loaded into memory and executed by the system.

Shell

```
$ ./hello
```

```
Hello world
```

```
$
```



Hardware organization

Hardware Organization

Buses:

- a collection of electrical conduits called *buses* that carry bytes of information back and forth between the components.
- designed to transfer fixed-sized chunks of bytes known as *words*.
- The number of bytes in a word (the *word size*) is a fundamental system parameter that varies across systems.
- Intel -4, Sparc – 8

Hardware Organization

I/O Devices:

Input/output (I/O) devices are the system's connection to the external world.

- a keyboard and
- mouse for user input,
- a display for user output, and
- a disk drive (or simply disk) for long-term storage of data and programs.

Hardware Organization

I/O Devices:

- the hello executable program resides on the disk.
- each I/O device is connected to the I/O bus by either a *controller* or an *adapter*.
- the purpose of the controller is to transfer information back and forth between the I/O bus and an I/O device.

Hardware Organization

Main Memory:

The *main memory* is a temporary storage device that holds both a program and the data it manipulates **while the processor is executing the program.**

Physically, main memory consists of a collection of *Dynamic Random Access Memory (DRAM)* chips.

Logically, memory is organized as **a linear array of bytes**, each with its own unique address (array index) starting at zero.

Hardware Organization

Main Memory:

In general, each of the **machine instructions** that constitute a program can consist of **a variable number of bytes**.

The **sizes of data items** that correspond to C program variables **vary** according to type.

For example, on an Intel machine running Linux, data of type short requires two bytes, types int, float, and long four bytes, and type double eight bytes.

Processor

- CPU is the engine that interprets (or *executes*) instructions stored in main memory.
- At its core is a word-sized storage device (or *register*) called the *program counter* (PC).
- *PC points at* (contains the address of) some *machine-language instruction* in main memory.
- It *reads the instruction* from memory pointed at by the program counter (PC),
 - *interprets* the bits in the instruction,
 - *performs* some simple *operation* dictated by the instruction, and then
 - *updates the PC* to point to the *next* instruction

Processor

A few simple operations:

Load: Copy a byte or a word from main memory into a register, overwriting the previous contents of the register.

Store: Copy the a byte or a word from a register to a location in main memory, overwriting the previous contents of that location.

Update: Copy the contents of two registers to the ALU, which adds the two words together and stores the result in a register, overwriting the previous contents of that register.

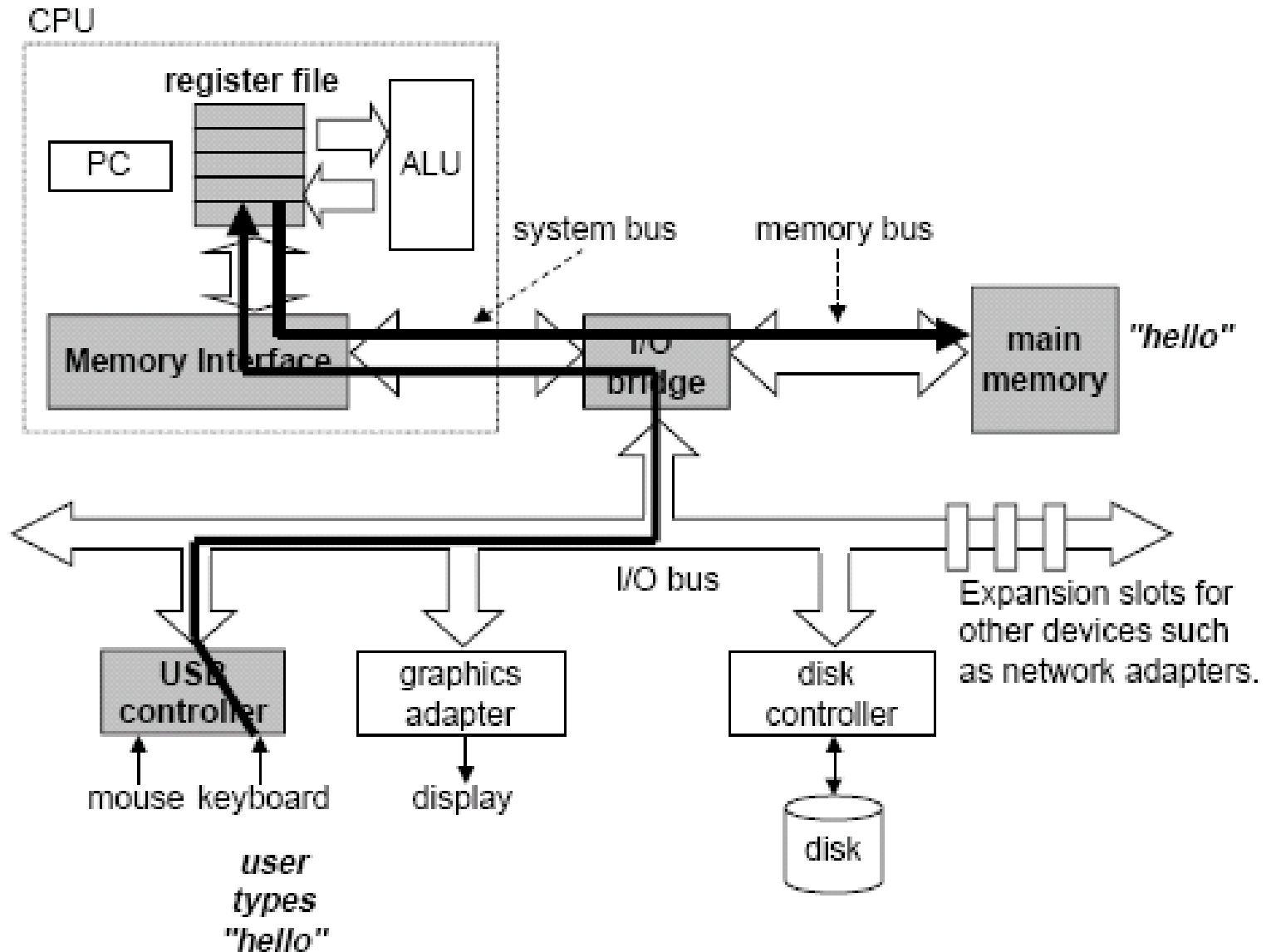
I/O Read: Copy a byte or a word from an I/O device into a register.

I/O Write: Copy a byte or a word from a register to an I/O device.

Jump: Extract a word from the instruction itself and copy that word into the program counter (PC), overwriting the previous value of the PC.

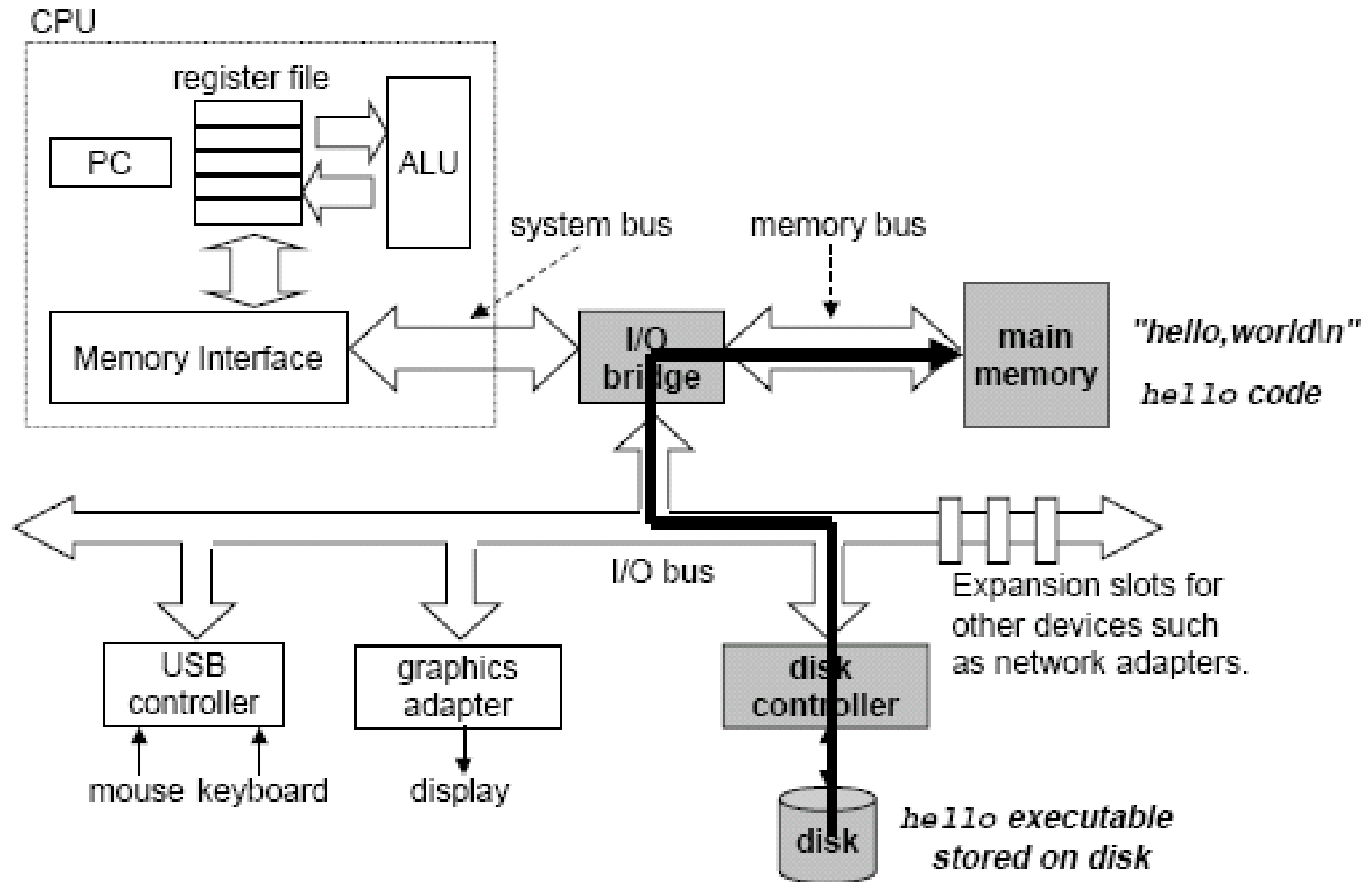
Running the Hello program

1. Shell reads hello
2. Stores in registers
3. Stores in main memory



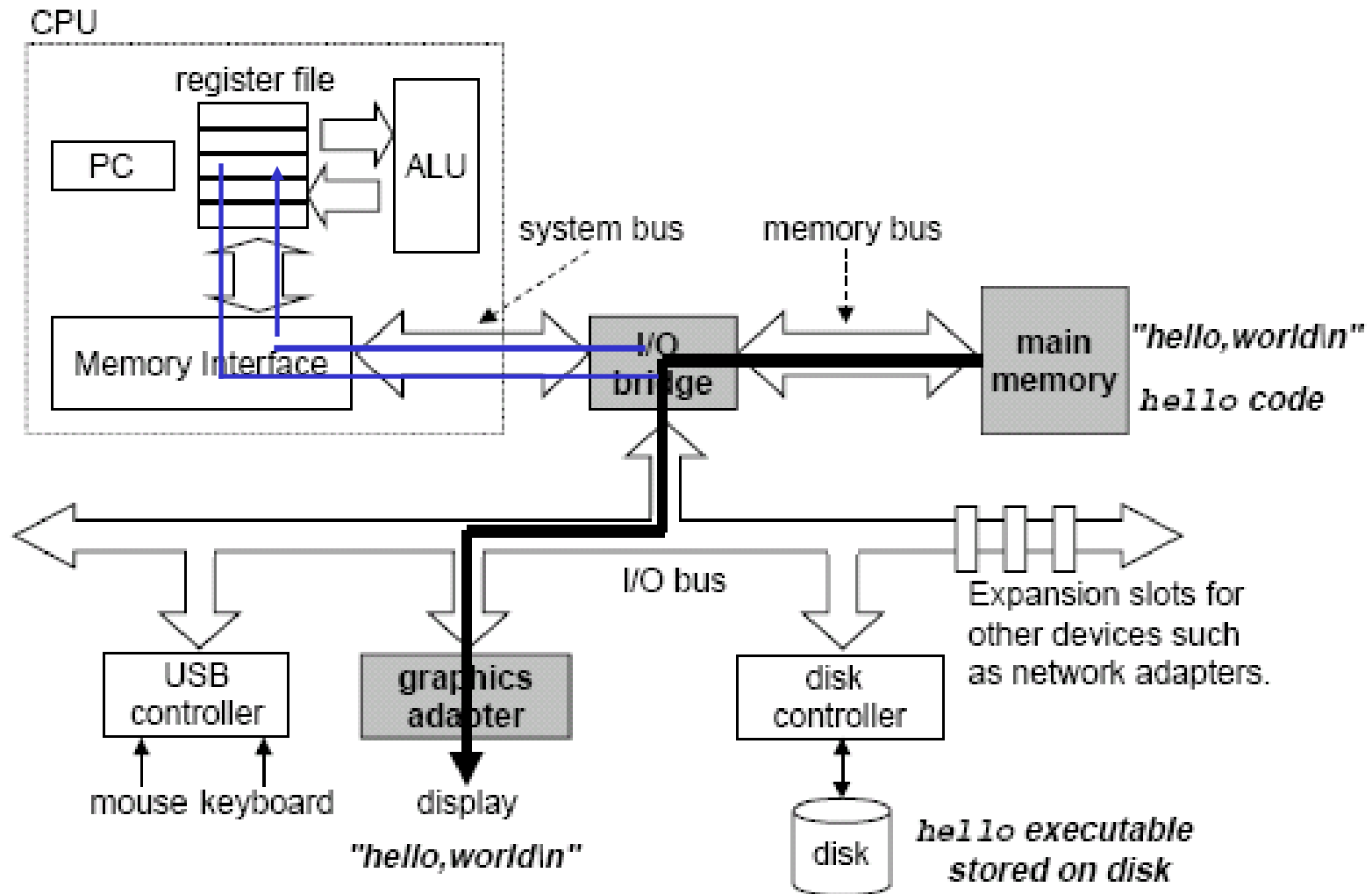
Running the Hello program

1. Hit the enter key
2. Shell loads executable hello from disk to main memory (DMA)

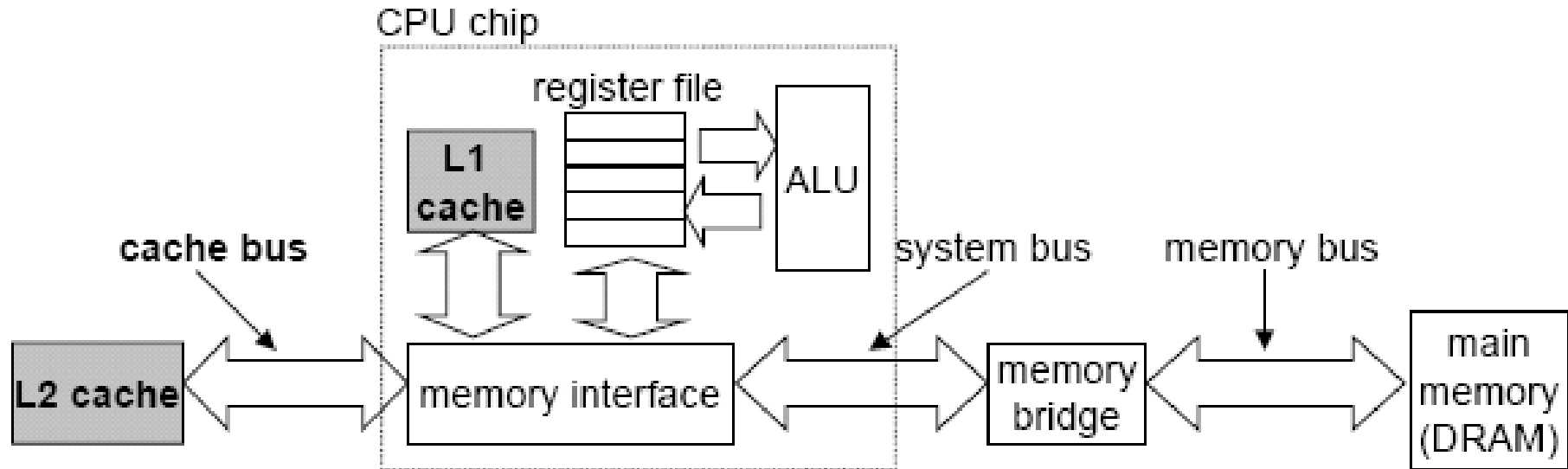


Running the Hello program

1. Processor executes
2. "hello world" copied to registers
3. then to display device



Running the Hello program

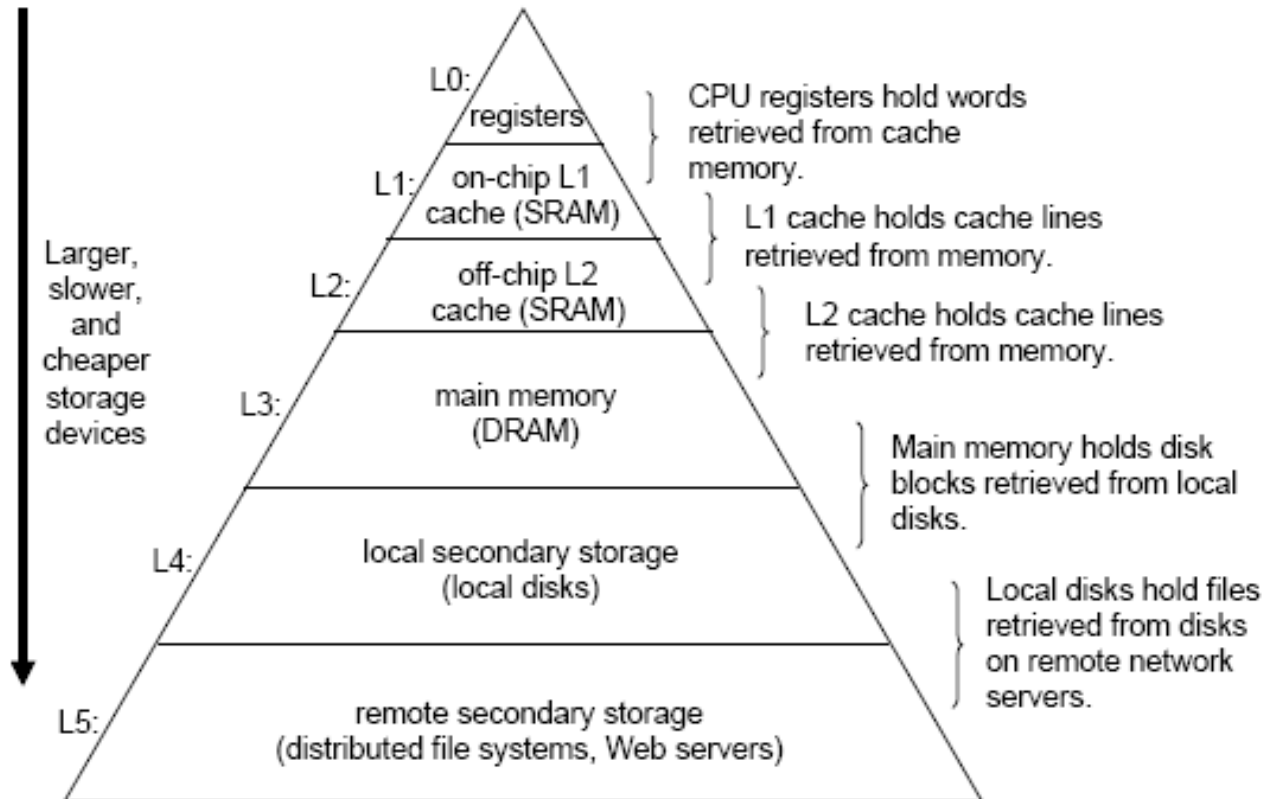


Disk drives are 10 million times slower than the main memory.

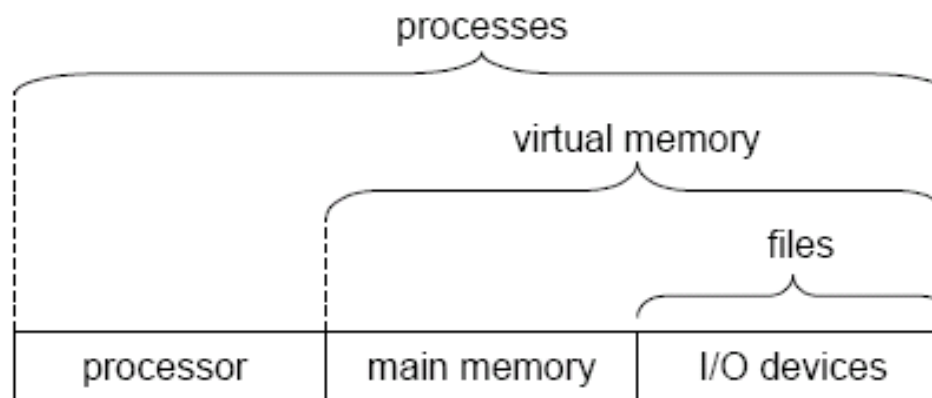
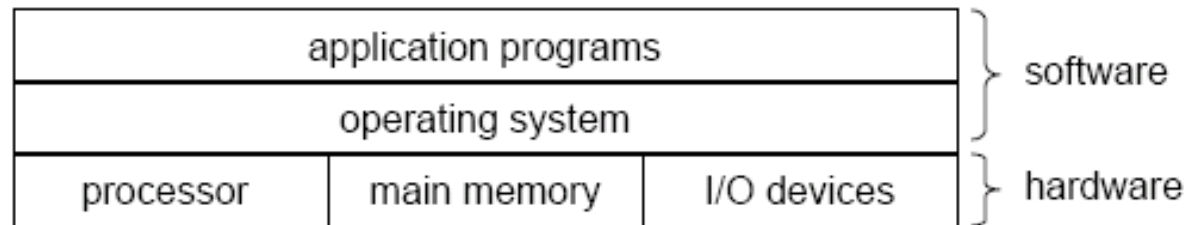
Registers are 100 times faster than main memory.

L1 and L2 caches are implemented using Static RAM.

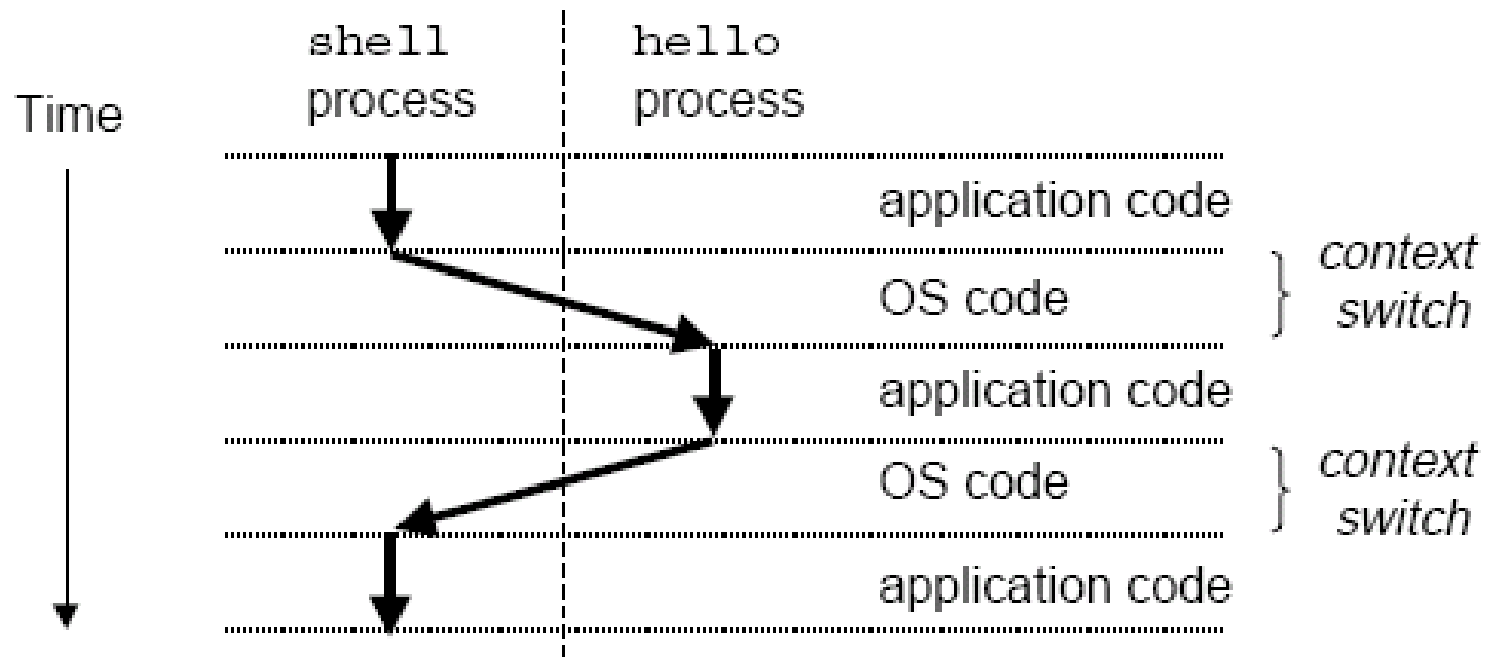
Memory Hierarchy



Running the Hello program



Process and context switch



Virtual Memory

Stack:

Used for function calls.
Expands and contracts
with a function call and
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Shared Libraries:

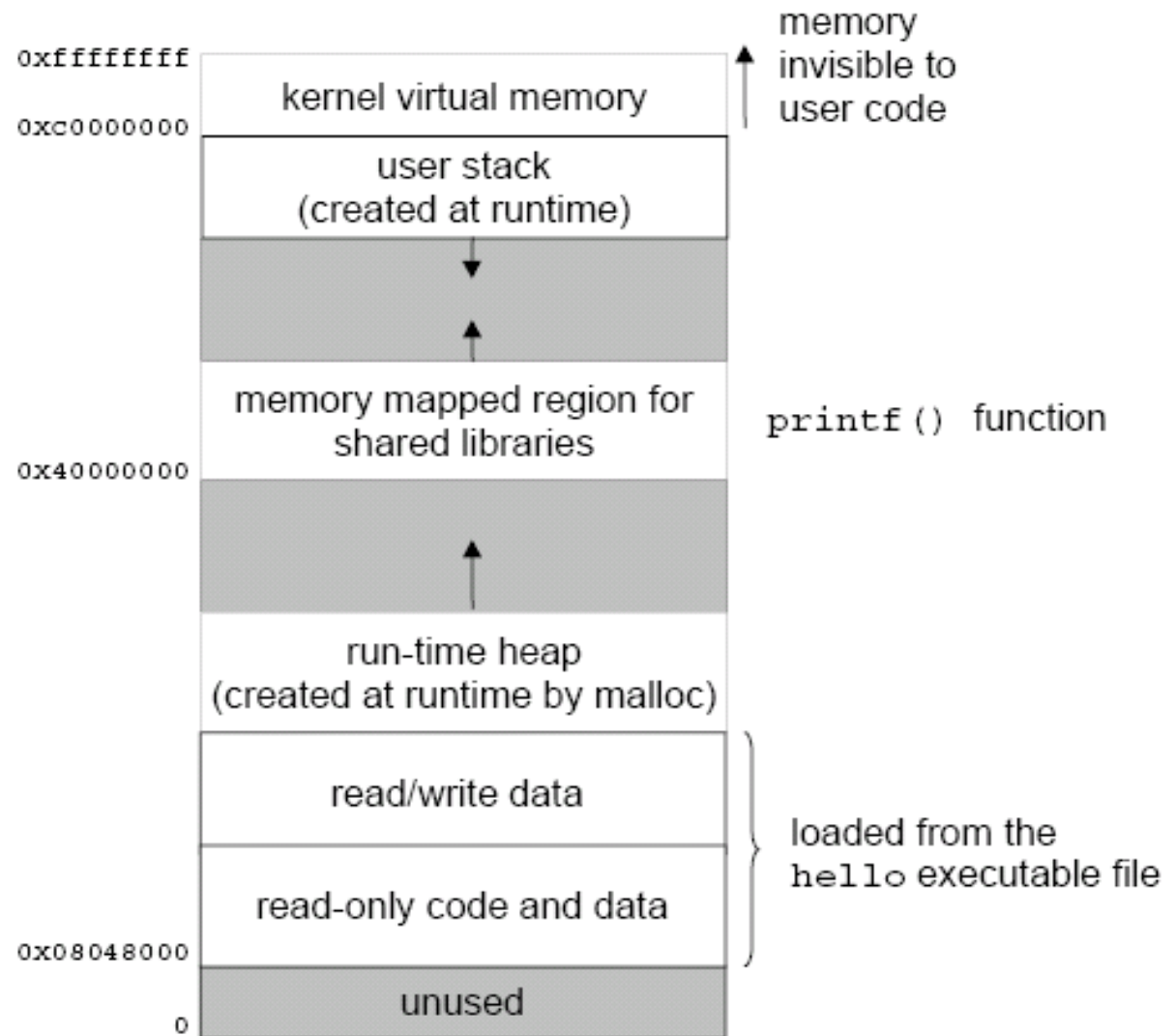
Libraries shared by
several processes.

Heap:

Expands and contracts
dynamically as malloc
and free are called.

Program code and data:

Machine-level instructions,
C variables from hello
executable.



A network is just another I/O device

