

Week 1

What is an OS? It's just.... a program It's a government 

↳ Acts as an intermediary between users & hardware

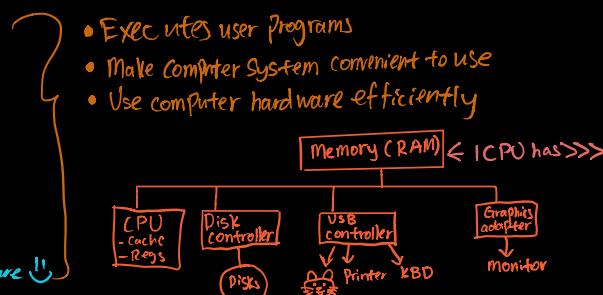
Goals 

- Resource allocator & coordinator
 - ↳ controls hardware & I/O requests
 - ↳ manage conflict requests
 - ↳ manage interrupts.

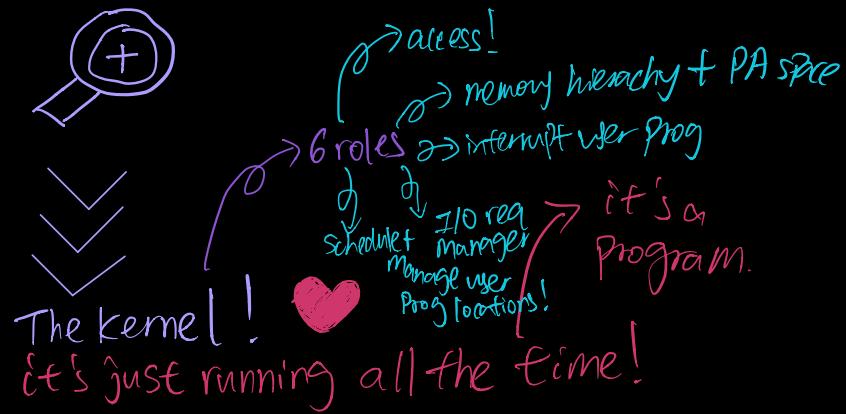
- Controls Program execution
 - ↳ storage hierarchy manager
 - ↳ Process manager
 - ↳ security: X illegal access to hardware !!

↳ Pg 2

- Executes user programs
- Make Computer System convenient to use
- Use computer hardware efficiently



- Manage Process
- Manage Resources
- Inter process communication



Eg. Linux - kernel
Ubuntu - OS

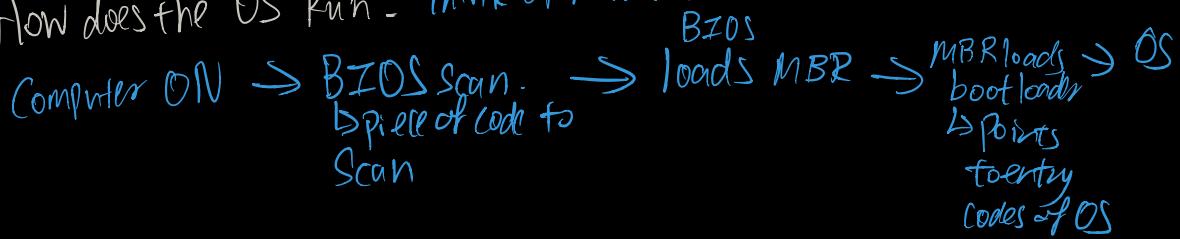
It has... simplified into 3.

- Special privileges → like an administrator of the website.
- System calls let user programs access kernel services
- Dual modes

 ↳ Kernel: full access to hardware
↳ User: Run on VM.

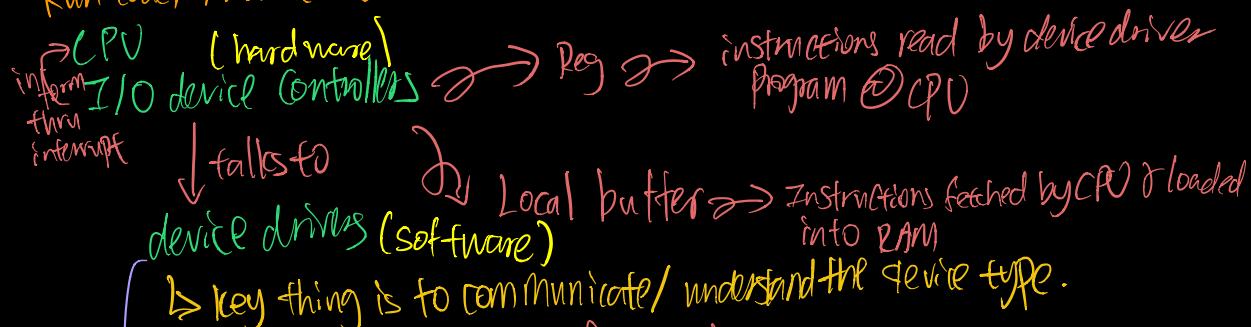
Memory hierarchy
↳ Speed + cost

How does the OS Run? Think of how the macbook starts.

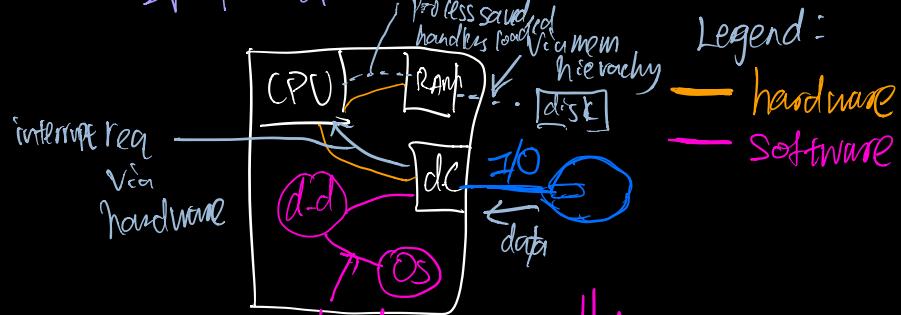


Computer system I/O operation

Run code/ machine instructions.



How so? software interface to hardware.
→ ★ Kernel mode (most of them). Why? switch to kernel mode needs to access serial ports.



Interrupts — hardware → kbd/mouse etc → CPU transfer to interrupt handler in kernel mode
— software → trap.
Save reg states

- IVC — addr of all svc routines
- Save addr of interrupted inst
- Incoming interrupts disabled → prev lost interrupt/ reentrancy problems.

- Trap: user code error / request → sys call → kernel mode.

Qn: How can we determine which type of interrupt occurred?
a. Polling — got interrupt? → action: accept address into interrupt vector
b. Vector — where is the interrupt?

Async I/O handling (Refer to diagram above).

* System Calls!

Eg. mkdir, cd, etc...

- a. Traps → CPU goes to special handler
 - calls on interrupt service routine
 - to process in kernel mode.
- b. trap handler
- c. certain user states are saved.

* Timed interrupts (hardware)

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counter == 0
(ctrl to interrupt handler)
state-save → scheduling

trap handler
certain user state saved.

* Exceptions - CPU checks for prog raised → event vector + b.

* memory management

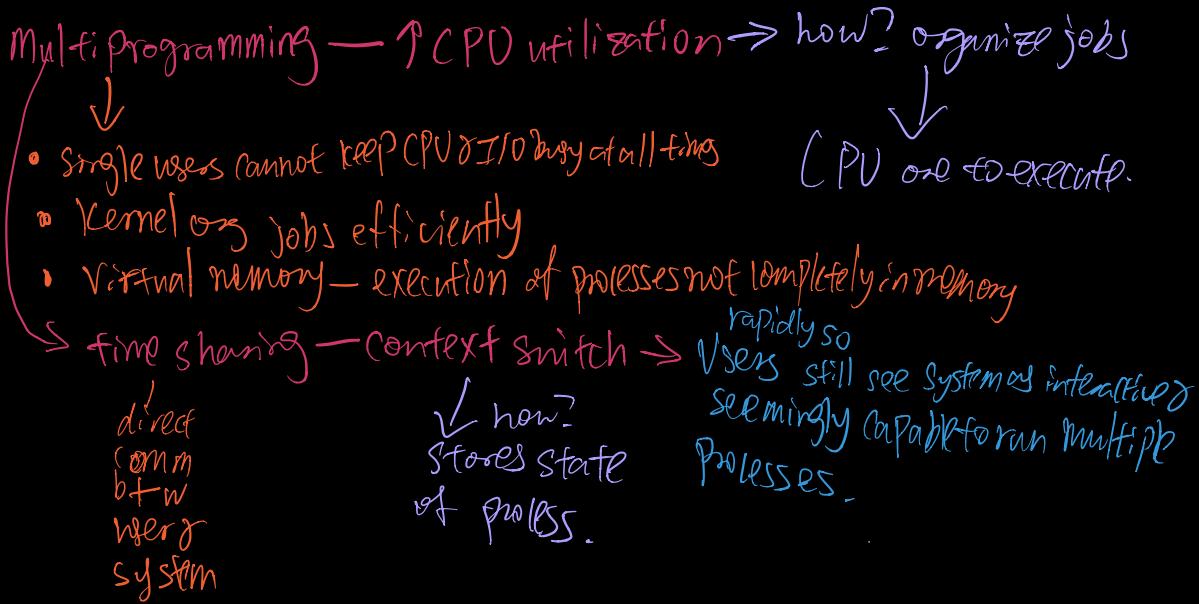
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updated when
page fault occurs.
managed by hardware

↳ Caching also → keep track
↳ decide to move in
out of memory
↳ allocate + deallocate.
↳ snapshot migration

fetch new data from

EA7 = K(I) + (1-K) E
hit ↓ miss
hit ratio

access cache, RAM & disk main memory



Process vs Program

- prog in execution
- Has context
- active entity
- terminates, resources are freed by kernel
- passive entity
- resides on disk
- doesn't take up resources

A CPU achieves concurrency by multiplexing

I/O handlers → * processes → no context
→ handle certain events

* process manager → scheduler subroutine] → what should wait for what?
process table

* multi processor system

↓
asymm
↓
master-slave

* clustered system - SAN
↳ Asymm
↳ Symm

↳ advantages =

- ↑ throughput
- Economy of scale
- ↑ reliability

HPC
↓
parallelization
↳ carefully control I/O
• Ensure load balancing
• Cache coherency