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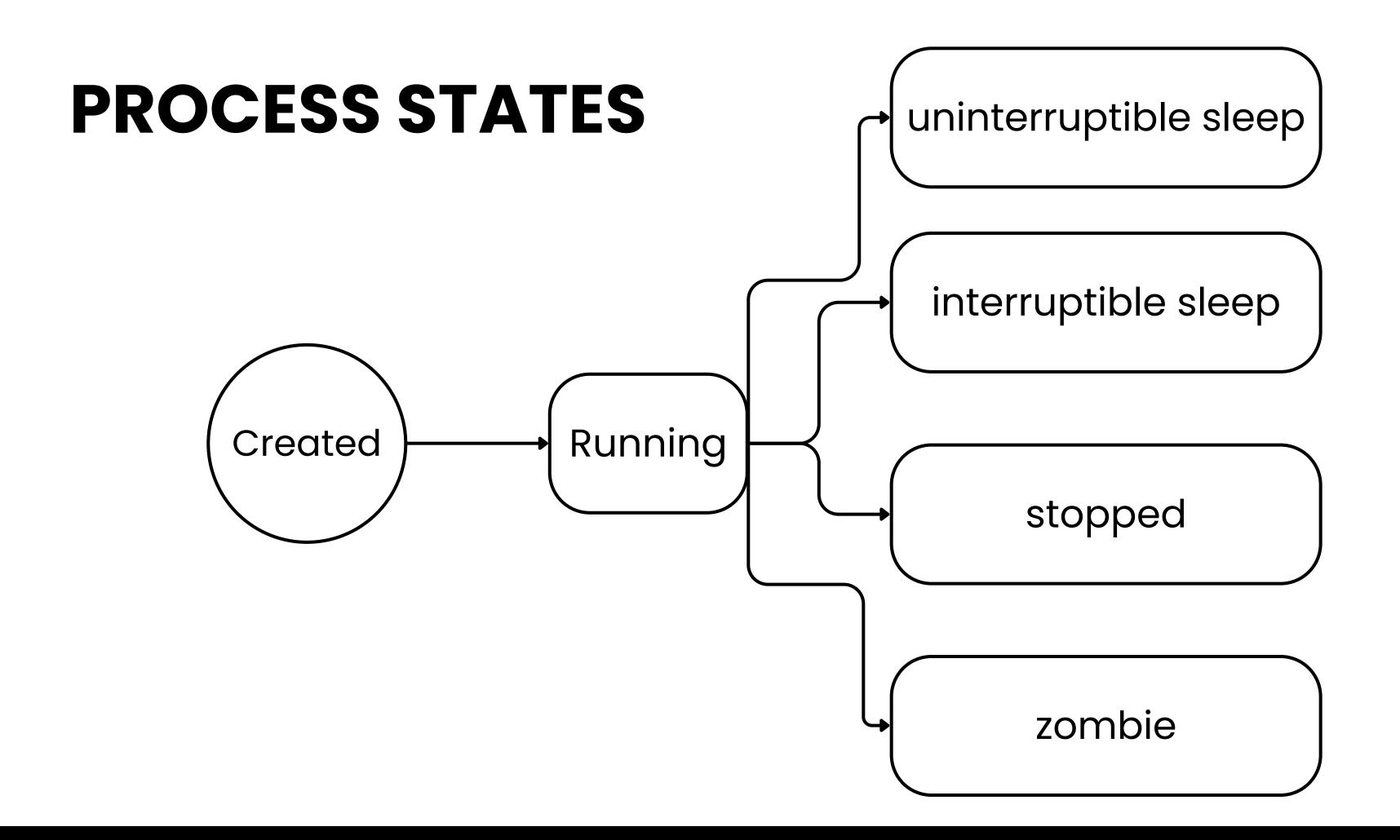


### DISCLAIMER

# MANAGING SYSTEM PROCESSES

#### **PROCESS**

- A running instance of a program.
- Types of Processes:
  - Foreground E.g: Libre Programs
  - Background E.g. Antivirus



#### FOREGROUND TO BACKGROUND PROCESS

Start the program

\$ ping google.com

Press Ctrl + Z

[1]+ Stopped ping google.com

List all the jobs running in the background **\$ jobs** 

Convert the foreground into a background program

\$ bg <job\_id>

#### **CONVERT TO A FOREGROUND PROCESS**

Execute a foreground into a background program in **one** line **\$ ping google.com &** 

Make the background into a foreground program \$ fg < job\_id>

#### **PS**

#### PROCESS STATUS

To show running processes on the current terminal **\$ ps** 

```
PID TTY TIME CMD
18980 pts/1 00:00:00 bash
24510 pts/1 00:00:00 ps
```

#### **PS**

To show running processes for the current user

To show a specific running process for the current user

To show all processes for the current user

#### **PGREP**

PS -U | GREP

To obtain the PID of a specific running process for the current user

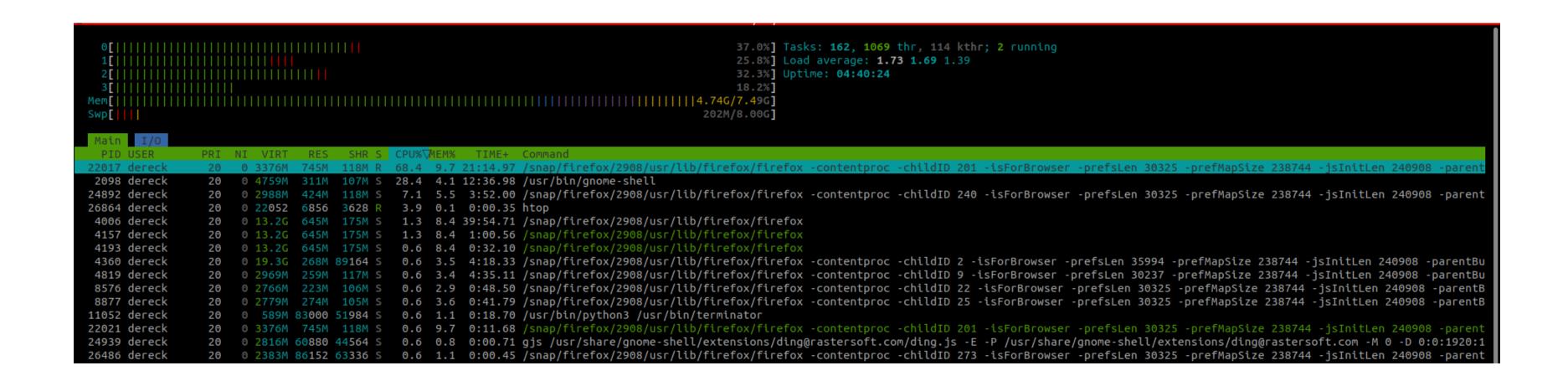
\$ pgrep ogram\_name>

#### **TOP**

However, unlike **ps** command, output generated is realtime and sorted by its CPU usage by default .

```
top - 14:46:48 up 3:58, 1 user, load average: 0.96, 1.20, 1.22
Tasks: 276 total, 1 running, 275 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
%Cpu(s): 4.1 us, 1.6 sy, 0.0 ni, 93.9 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.4 si, 0.0 st
MiB Mem :
         7673.7 total, 463.9 free, 4475.0 used, 2734.7 buff/cache
         8192.0 total, 7933.2 free, 258.8 used. 1960.2 avail Mem
MiB Swap:
                                      SHR S %CPU
   PID USER
                PR NI
                         VIRT
                                RES
                                                  %MEM
                                                          TIME+ COMMAND
  4819 dereck
                    0 3049196 301532 121400 S 7.0
                                                 3.8
                                                      4:01.02 Isolated Web Co
                20
                                            3.0
   214 root
                                        0 S
                                                  0.0
                                                      1:51.32 irq/143-DELL0AB0:00
               -51
                    0 4878844 322696 122272 S 2.7 4.1 10:31.55 gnome-shell
  2098 dereck
               20
  4006 dereck
                    0 12.9g 675520 186248 S 2.3 8.6 33:14.56 firefox
               20
                                                        2:17.96 irq/153-rtw88_pci
                                             2.0
   704 root
               -51
                                        0 S
                                                  0.0
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```

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#### **KILL**

- To stop a running process
- kill command needs the process ID as an argument.
- Sends a kill signal to the process.

#### To list all the kill signals

```
02:48:30 dereck@dodoadmin-Inspiron-15-3511 html → kill -L
                SIGINT
                                                4) SIGILL

    SIGHUP

                                3) SIGQUIT
                                                                SIGTRAP
6) SIGABRT
                7) SIGBUS
                                8) SIGFPE
                                                9) SIGKILL
                                                               10) SIGUSR1
  SIGSEGV
               12) SIGUSR2
                               13) SIGPIPE
                                               14) SIGALRM
                                                               15) SIGTERM
  SIGSTKFLT
               17) SIGCHLD
                               18) SIGCONT
                                               19) SIGSTOP
                                                               20) SIGTSTP
   SIGTTIN
               22) SIGTTOU
                               23) SIGURG
                                               24) SIGXCPU
                                                               25) SIGXFSZ
   SIGVTALRM
               27) SIGPROF
                               28) SIGWINCH
                                               29) SIGIO
                                                                30) SIGPWR
31) SIGSYS
               34) SIGRTMIN
                               35) SIGRTMIN+1
                                               36) SIGRTMIN+2
                                                               37) SIGRTMIN+3
38) SIGRTMIN+4
               39) SIGRTMIN+5 40) SIGRTMIN+6
                                               41) SIGRTMIN+7
                                                               42) SIGRTMIN+8
               44) SIGRTMIN+10 45) SIGRTMIN+11 46) SIGRTMIN+12 47) SIGRTMIN+13
   SIGRTMIN+9
   SIGRTMIN+14 49) SIGRTMIN+15 50) SIGRTMAX-14 51) SIGRTMAX-13 52) SIGRTMAX-12
   SIGRTMAX-11 54) SIGRTMAX-10 55) SIGRTMAX-9
                                               56) SIGRTMAX-8
                                                               57) SIGRTMAX-7
                                               61) SIGRTMAX-3
               59) SIGRTMAX-5 60) SIGRTMAX-4
                                                               62) SIGRTMAX-2
                   SIGRTMAX
```

#### **KILL**

- The default kill signal is 15 if the user doesn't specify.
- Ctrl+Z and Ctrl+C are shortcuts for the kill command.
- 9) SIGKILL is the most common one used.

To kill one running program

To kill all instances of a running program

\$ pkill -<signal\_id> ogram\_name>

#### NICE

- To tell your machine to prioritise processes.
- The priority value is called **Niceness**.
- It has a value between -20 to 19. The **lower the Niceness index**, the **higher the priority** given to the process.
- Default value of all processes is 0.

#### NICE

To start a process and give it a nice value other than the default

\$ nice -n <niceness\_index>

To change nice value of a running process

\$ renice < niceness\_index> -p < pid>