· What is OS?

- 1. A special layer of SW provides applications access to HW.
- 2. Abstraction of physical resources and provide easier access
- 3. Manage and Protect, Isolation
- · User, Kernel, Hardware mode
 - 1. User mode: App, libs, shells, ...
 - 2. Kernel mode (between user/hardware): System calls, Sigterm, I/O, Scheduling
 - 3. Hardware: Controller of device, Memory access

· Thread

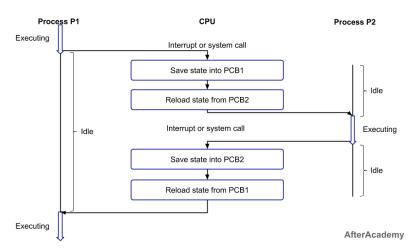
- 1. A single execution context
- 2. Including Program Counters, Registers, Stack Pointer
- 3. When executing: load on processor's register
- 4. When suspended: not loaded
- 5. Switch: Save PC, REG, SP to memory and load new thread
- 6. Just like a light weighted process
- 7. No protection!
- 8. Multithread process: sharing same global variables, heap, code
- 9. Private: stack, thread control block (SP, REG, Params)

• Process

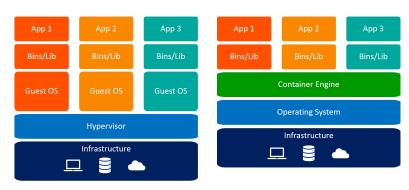
- 1. Execution environment with restrictions
- 2. A protected address space
- 3. A process can have many threads (they share the same address space under a process)
- 4. Isolation
- 5. Process Management
 - (a) Fork, exit, exec, ...
 - (b) Child process shared the same state! (Addr space, memory, ...)

Multithread

- 1. Semaphore and Mutex: Semaphore > 0 can acquire, mutex = binary semaphore
- 2. Concurrency: Handling multiple things at once. Can be done with a single core
- 3. Parallelism: Multiple tasks running at the same time
- · Context Switching
 - 1. Thread: Init by CPU
 - 2. Process:
 - (a) Init by OS scheduler
 - (b) Flushed address space and load new states
 - (c) Heavy cost!



- VM and Container
 - 1. VM: has guest OS, and a Hypervisor layer captures syscall
 - 2. Container: is just an application (with Container layer above host OS)



Virtual Machines

Containers

• RTOS

- 1. RTOS is preemptive and event-driven
- 2. Needs to monitor the priority == knowing the execution time
- 3. Event-driven == switching executing task based on priority