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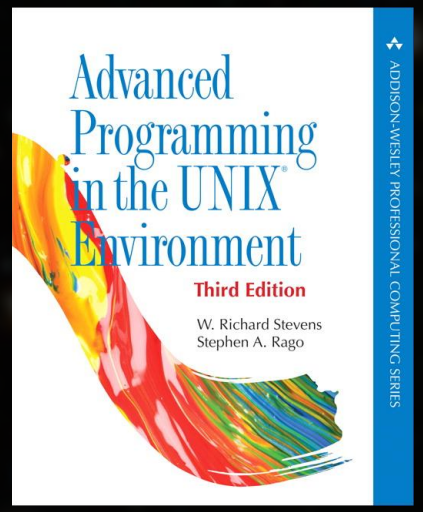
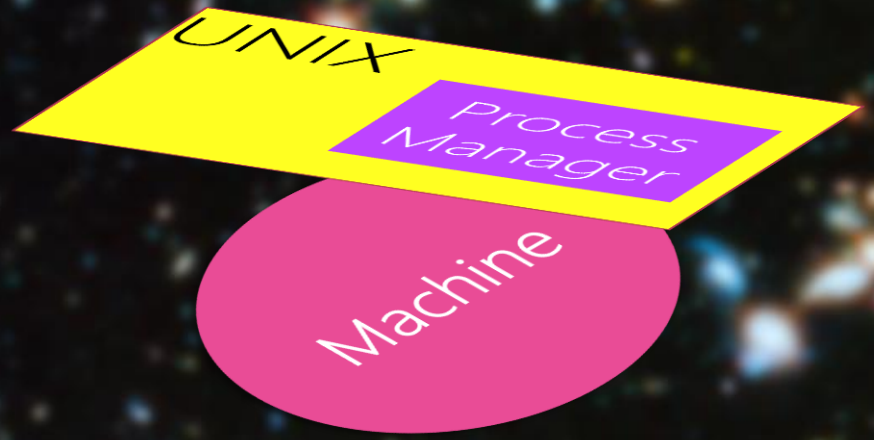
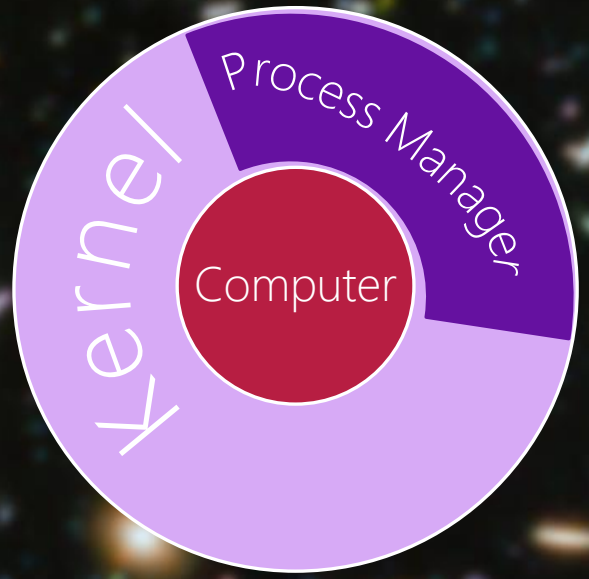


Chapter 07: Process Environment
Chapter 08: Process Control

Process Manager

aka. Process Control





Computer

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Kernel: Device Manager

Kernel: Memory Manager

Kernel: File Manager

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Kernel: Process Manager

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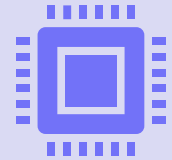

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```
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```

shell$ ./program arg1 arg2 arg3 ....


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Program → Process → Run → Terminate

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
int result;
int main(int argc, char *argv[]){
        int a = 0;
        int b = 0;
        a = atoi(argv[1]);
        b = atoi(argv[2]);

        result = a + b;

        printf("%d + %d = %d\n", a, b, result);
        return 0;
}
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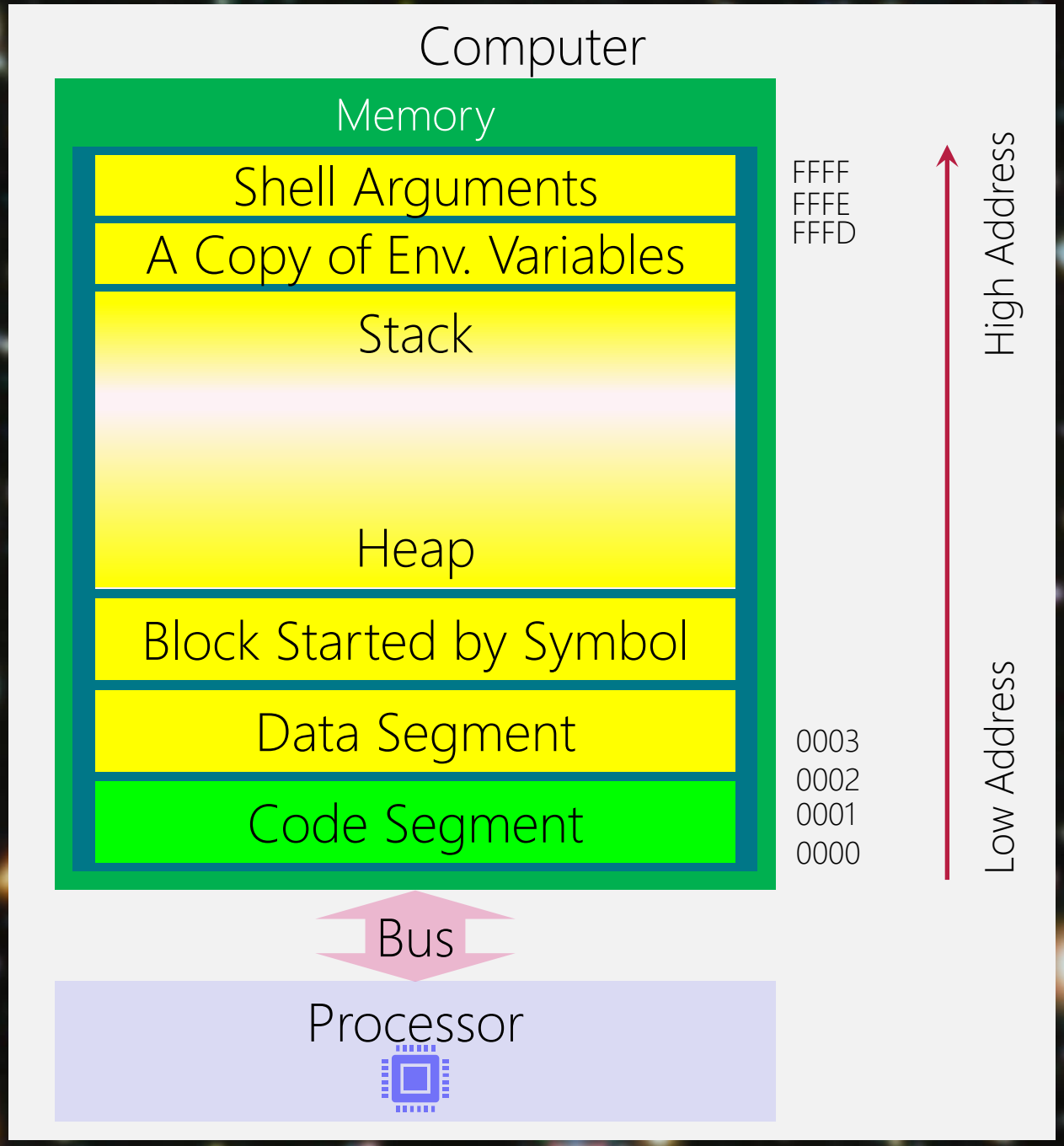

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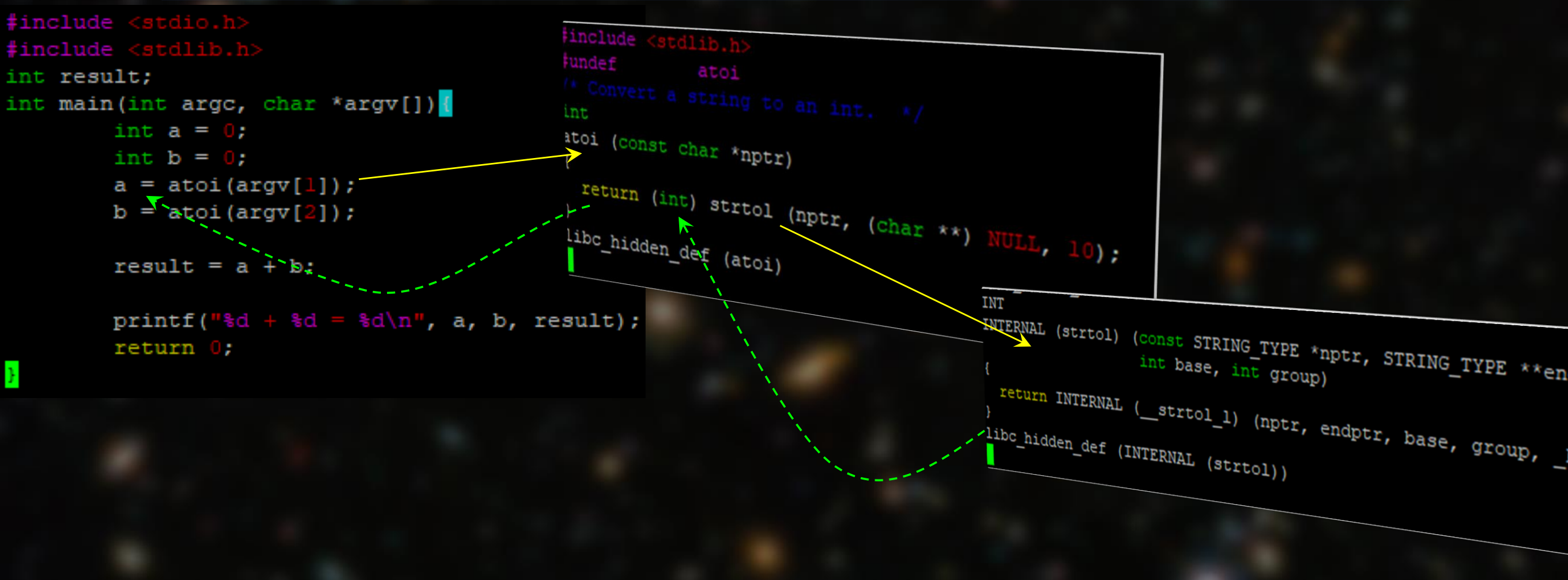

Stack Overflow?

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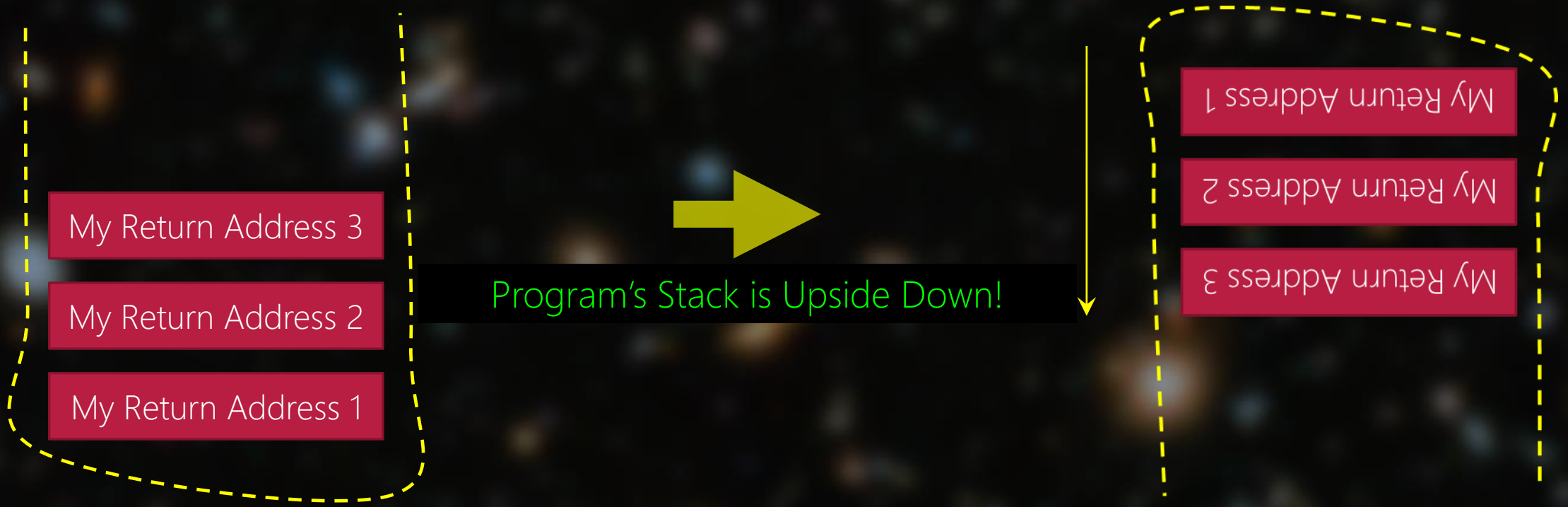

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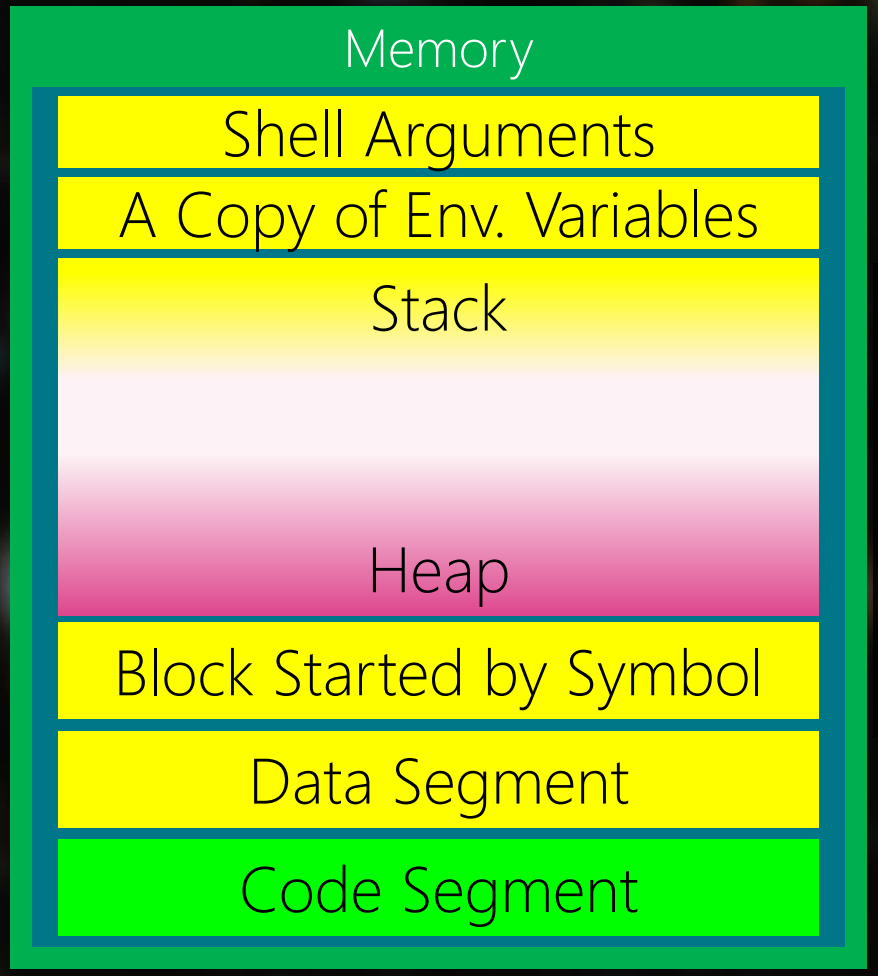
Heap

Dynamic memory allocation (runtime)



Memory Allocators by Library Routines

```
#include <stdlib.h>
void *malloc(size_t size)
void *realloc(void *ptr, size_t newsize)
```

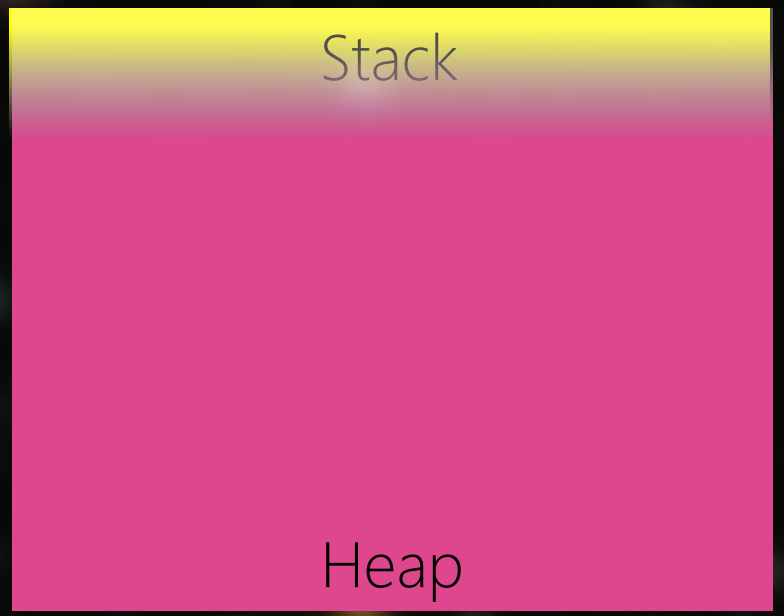
Size is dynamic during runtime
Value is dynamic during runtime

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
int result;
int main(int argc, char *argv[]){
        int size_a = 0;
        int size_b = 0;
        size_a = atoi(argv[1]);
        size_b = atoi(argv[2]);

        int *a = malloc(size_a * sizeof(int));
        printf("enter the first number with %d digits:\n", size_a);
        for(int i = 0; i < size_a; ++i){
                scanf("%d", a + i);
        }

        int *b = malloc(size_b * sizeof(int));
        printf("enter the first number with %d digits:\n", size_b);
        for(int i = 0; i < size_b; ++i){
                scanf("%d", b + i);
        }
```

```
hfani@charlie:~$ ./main_malloc 3 4
enter the first number with 3 digits:
1
3
9
enter the first number with 4 digits:
6
5
7
2
139 + 6572
```

Size is dynamic during runtime
Value is dynamic during runtime

```
hfani@charlie:~$ ./main_malloc 100000000000000 10000000000000000
```



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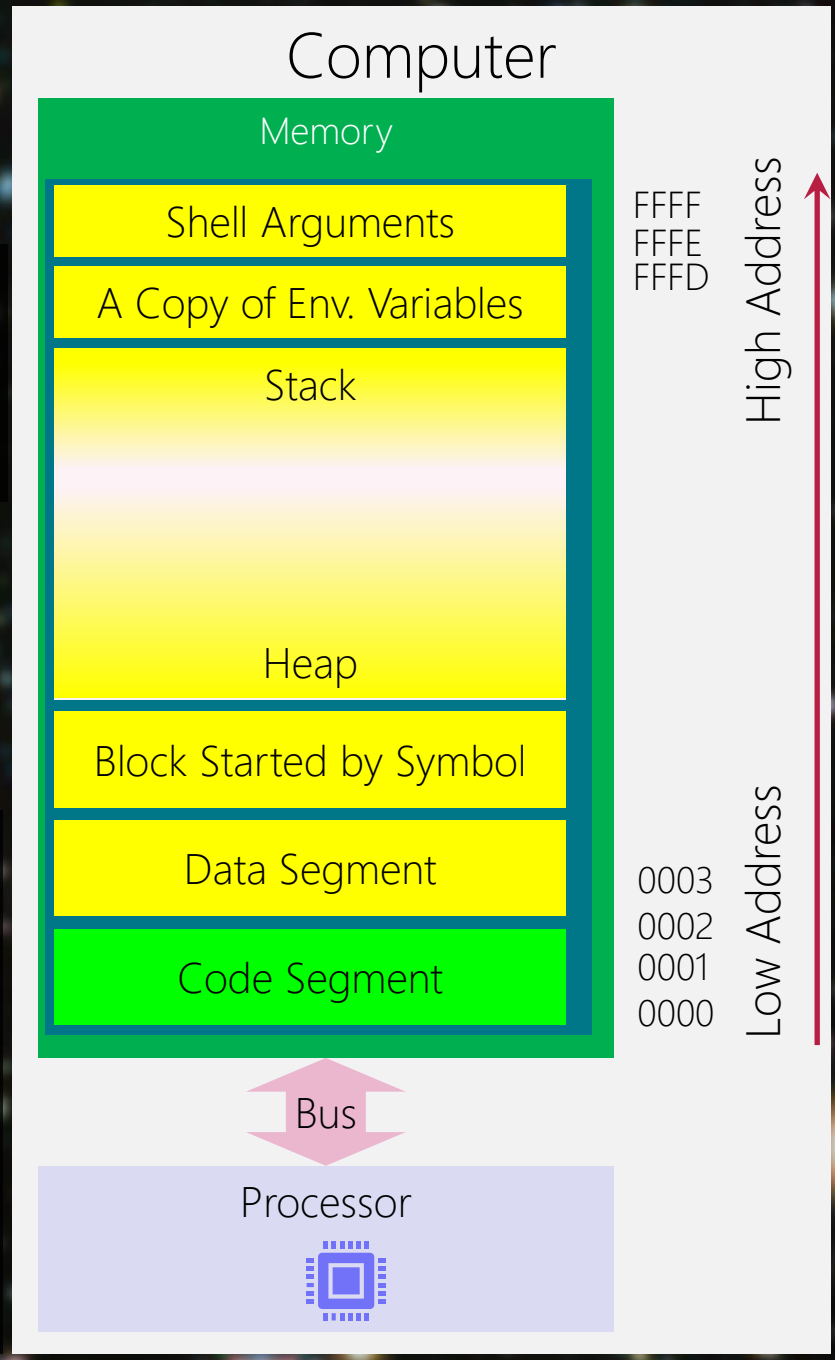
Memory Allocators by System Calls?

Shell's `size` command

```
hfani@charlie:~$ size ./main_malloc
   text    data     bss     dec     hex filename
   2239     616       8    2863     b2f ./main_malloc
```

Why is not any info for:

- Stack?
- Heap?



Process Identifier (pid)

Non-negative

Unique among processes (live programs)

Not an identifier! It can be reused (delay reuse)

Process Identifier by System Call
getpid()

```
#include <unistd.h>
pid_t getpid(void);
```

Return process ID of calling process

```c
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void){
        printf("%d\n", getpid());
        return 0;
}
```

```
hfani@alpha:~$ ./getpid
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```

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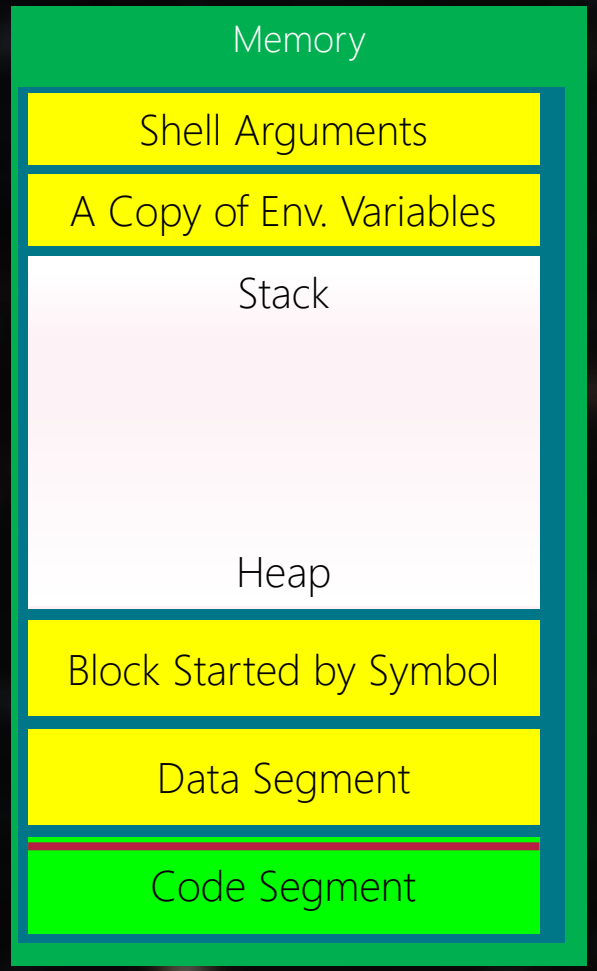

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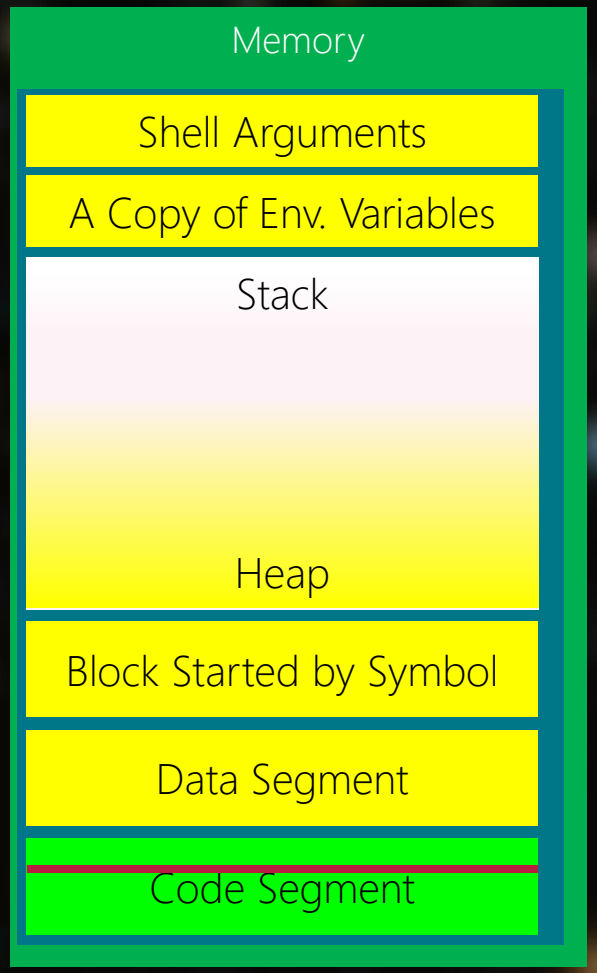

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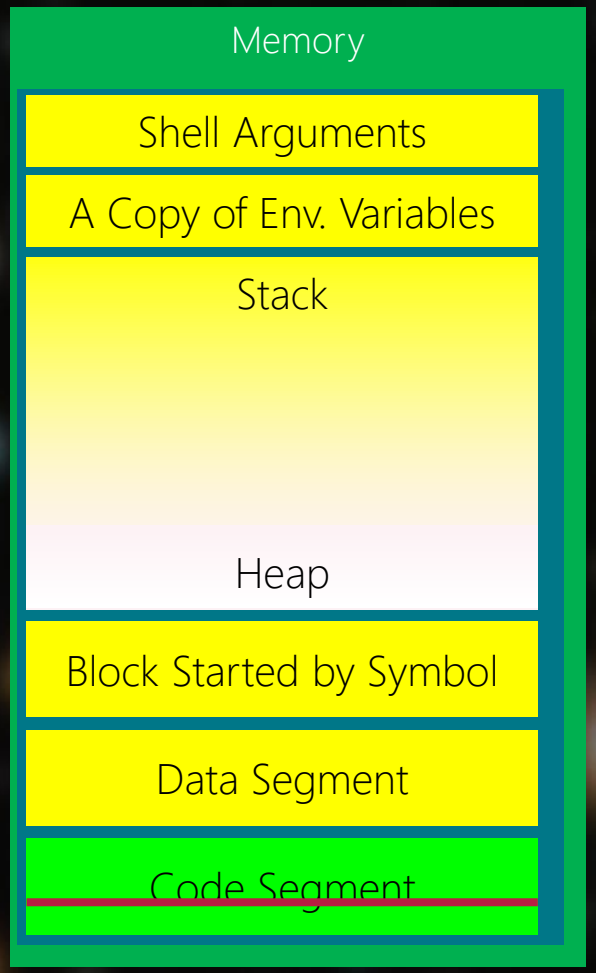

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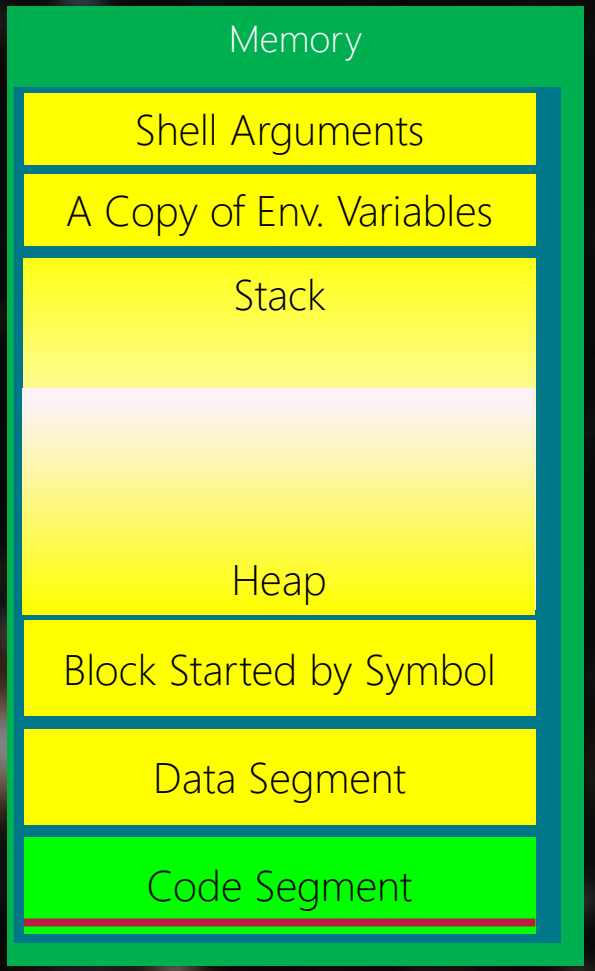

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C has exit status (code)

Normal vs. Abnormal Exits

C has exit status (code)

Normal

```c
void main(void){
        ///lines of codes

}
```

```c
void main(void){
        ///lines of codes
        return;
}
```

```c
int main(void){
        ///lines of codes
        return 0;
}
```

```c
#include <unistd.h>
int main(void){
        ///lines of codes
        _exit(0);
}
```

```c
#include <stdlib.h>
int main(void){
        ///lines of codes
        exit(0);
}
```

```c
#include <stdlib.h>
int main(void){
        ///lines of codes
        exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}
```

C has exit status (code)

Normal

Clean up procedure

- Flushes unwritten buffered data.
- Closes all open file descriptors.
- Frees the memory used by its code, data, stack, heap, …
- Returns an integer exit status to the kernel.

C has exit status (code)

Abnormal

- Any non-zero number less than 256
- Receiving a `SIGNAL`

  `e.g., SIGABRT` raised by `abort()`

C has exit status (code)
Abnormal

```
hfani@charlie:~$ kill -l
 1) SIGHUP       2) SIGINT       3) SIGQUIT      4) SIGILL       5) SIGTRAP
 6) SIGABRT      7) SIGBUS       8) SIGFPE       9) SIGKILL     10) SIGUSR1
11) SIGSEGV     12) SIGUSR2     13) SIGPIPE     14) SIGALRM     15) SIGTERM
16) SIGSTKFLT   17) SIGCHLD     18) SIGCONT     19) SIGSTOP     20) SIGTSTP
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63) SIGRTMAX-1  64) SIGRTMAX
```

Shell's Variable for Exit Status

`echo $?`

```
hfani@charlie:~$ ./main_exit_normal_2
hfani@charlie:~$ echo $?
0
```

```
hfani@charlie:~$ ./main_malloc 2 3
enter the first number with 2 digits:
^C
hfani@charlie:~$ echo $?
130
```

C does not have error/exception handling!

Multiprocessing

aka multiprogramming

Single Processor ~~Multiprocessor~~

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Interrupt Request (IRQ)

Interrupt Request Handler

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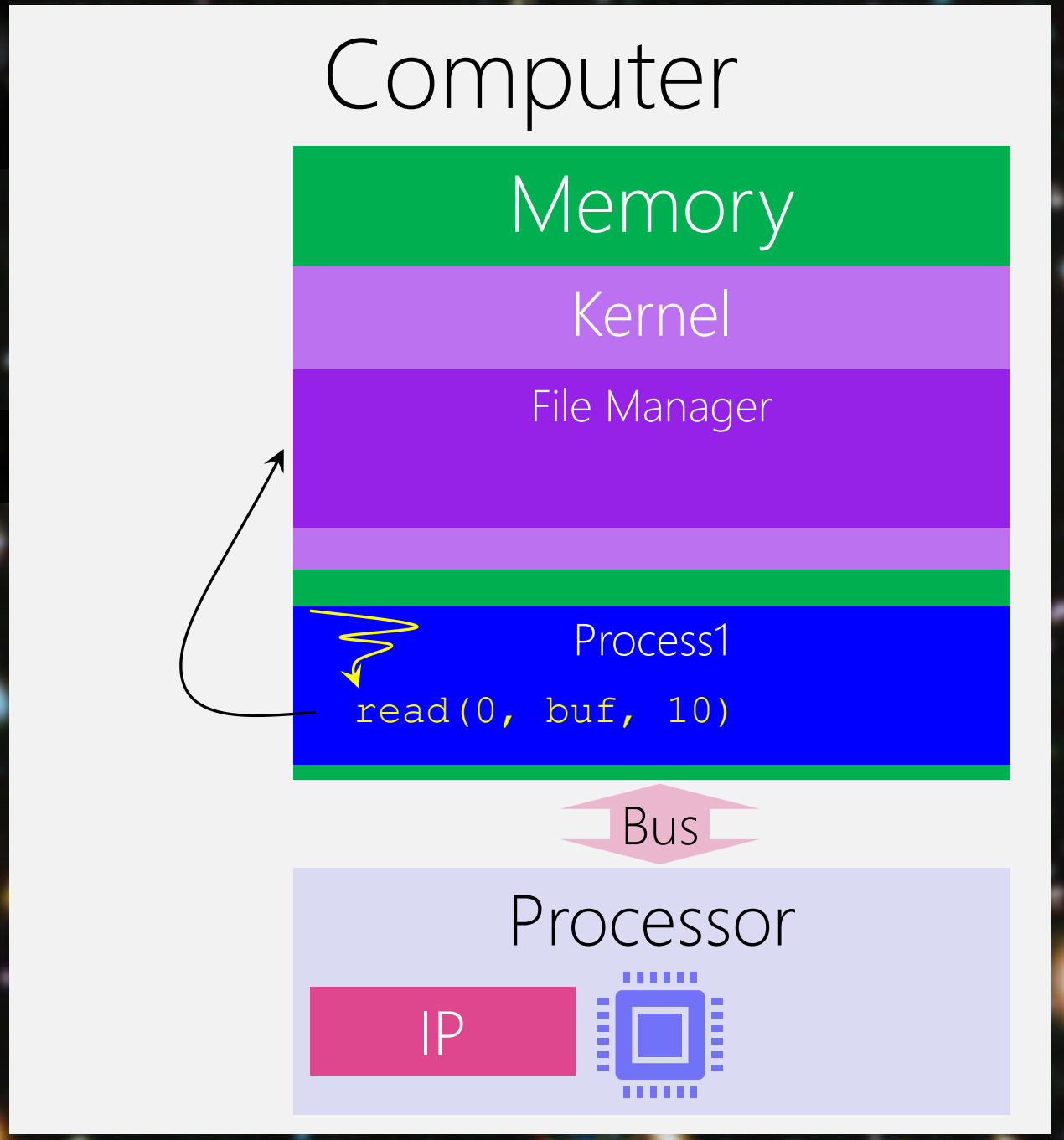

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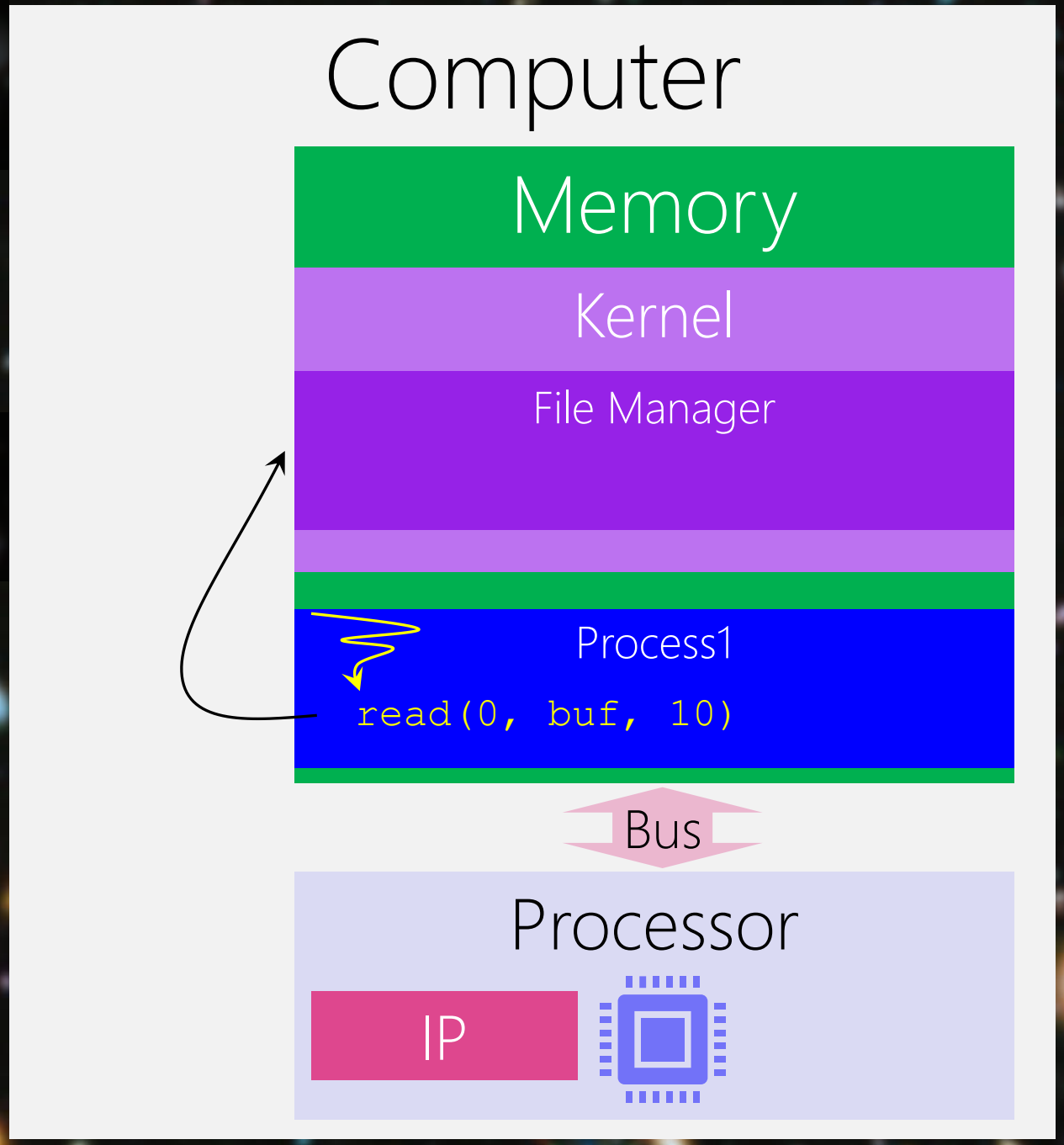

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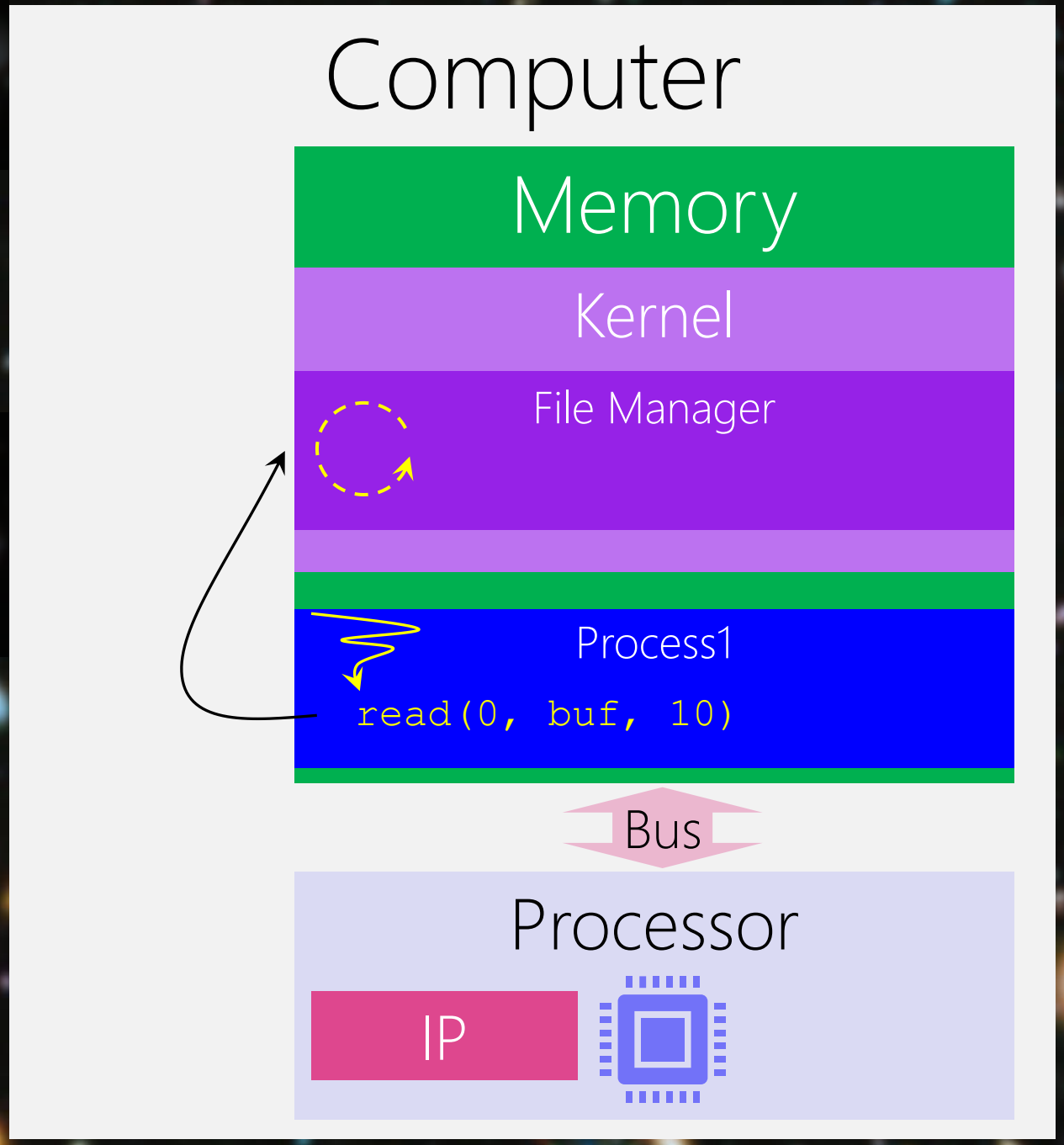

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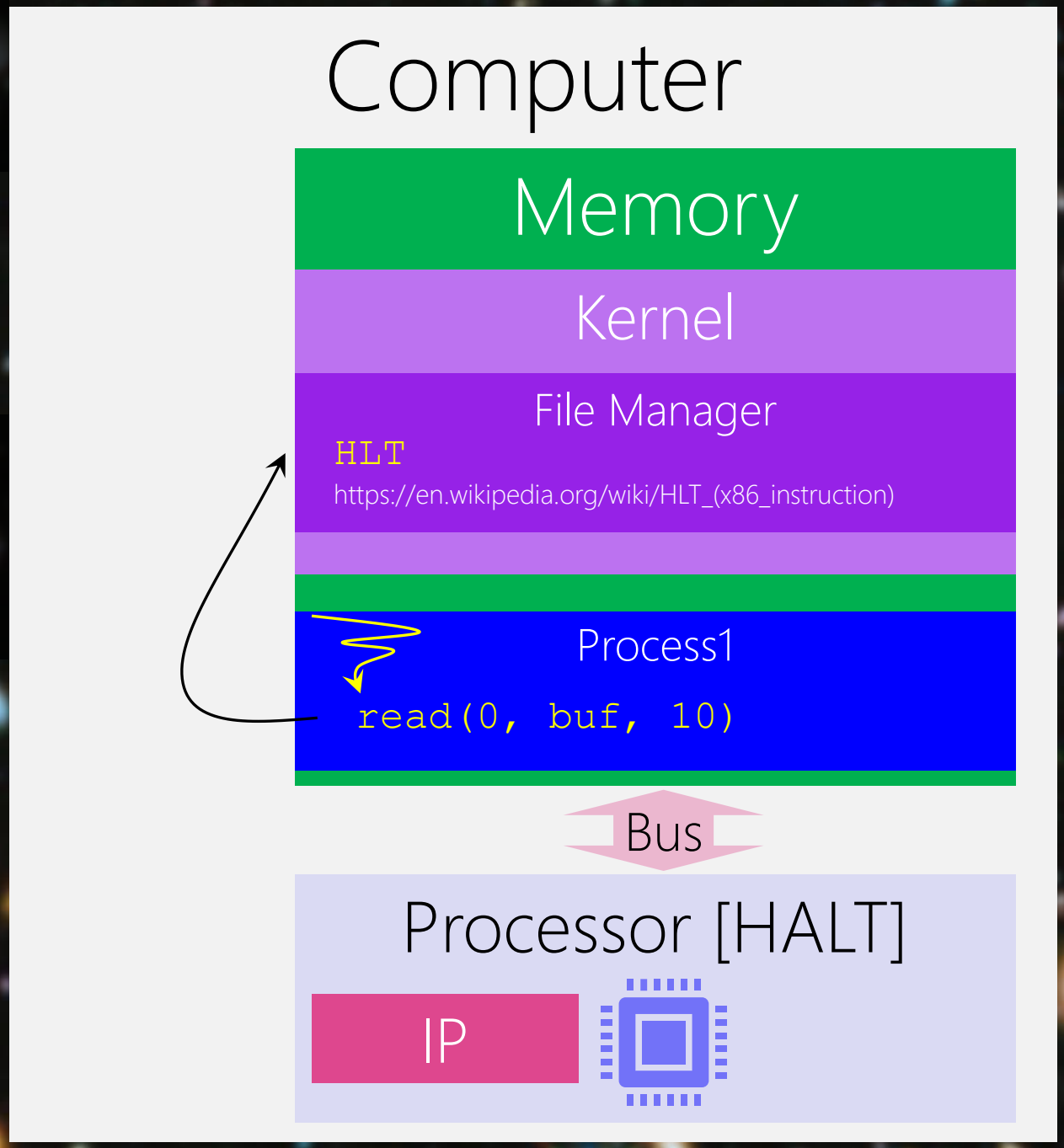

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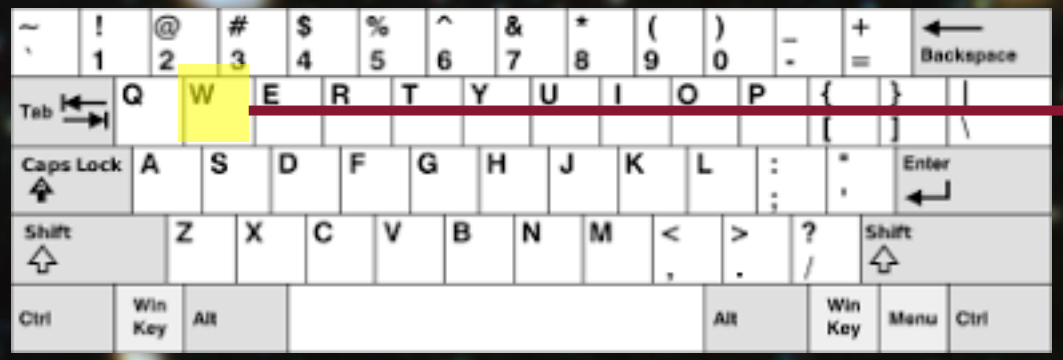

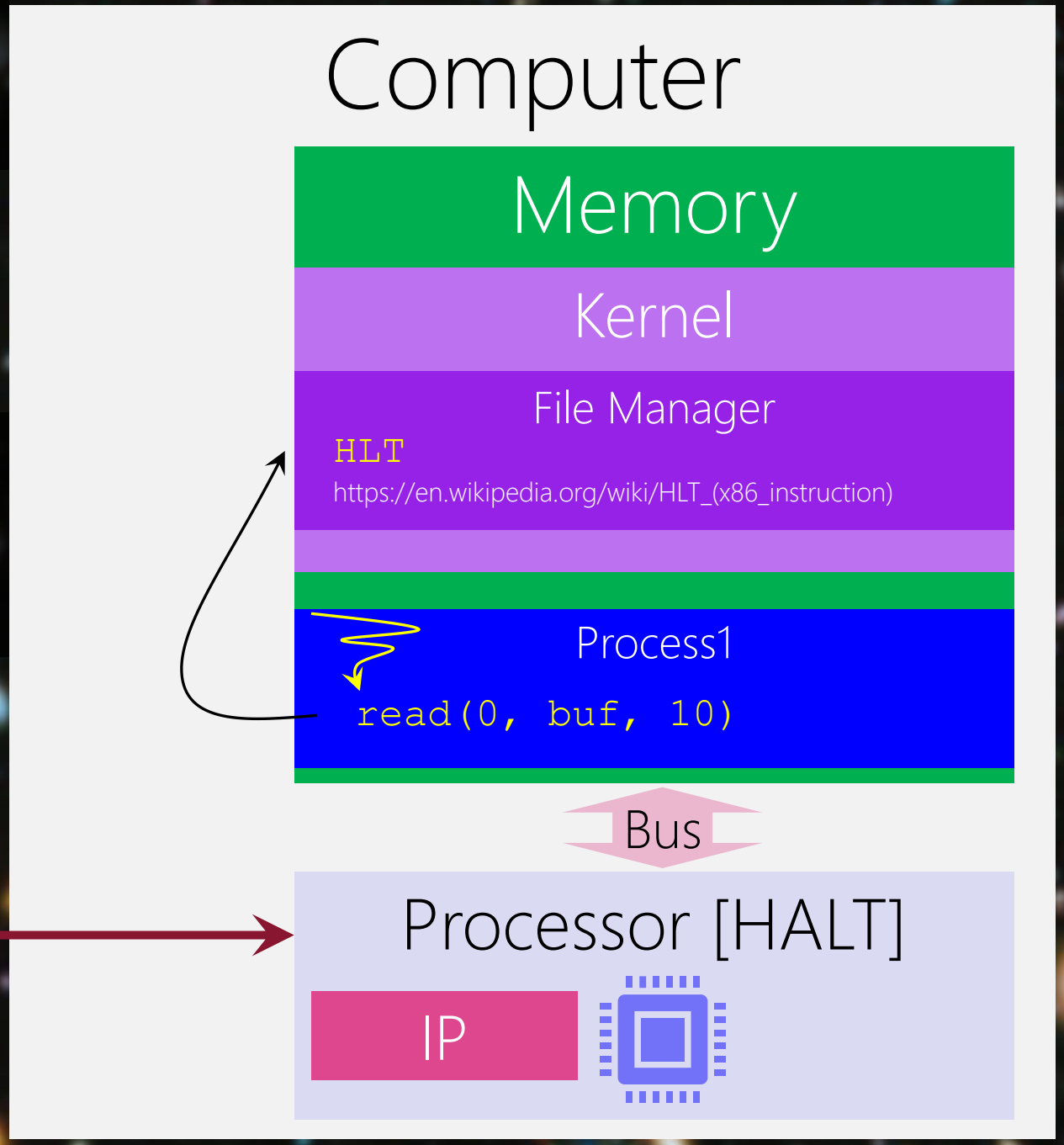

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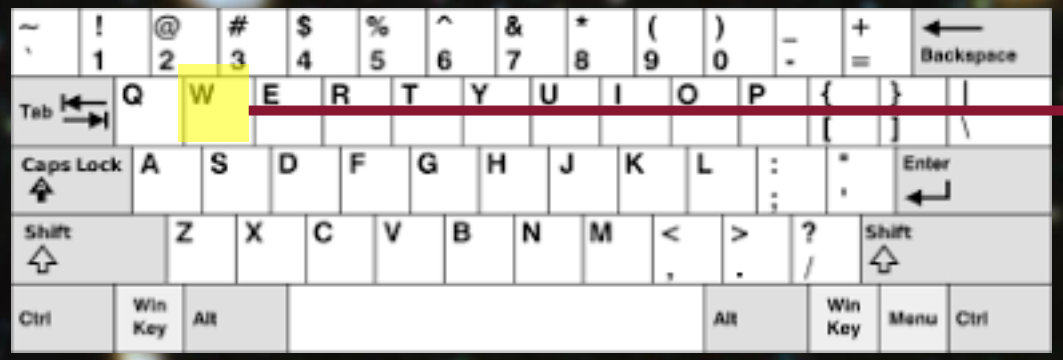

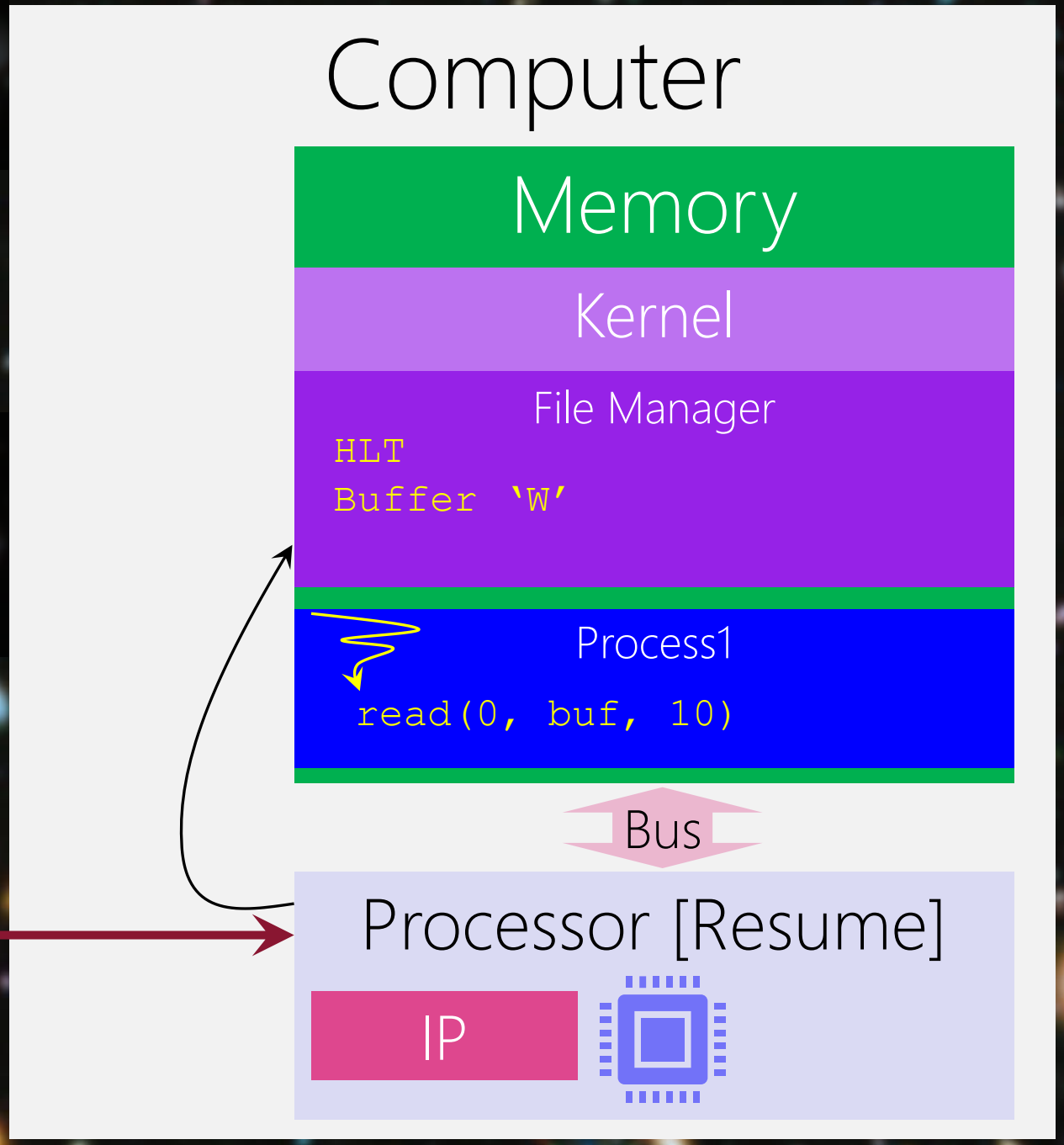

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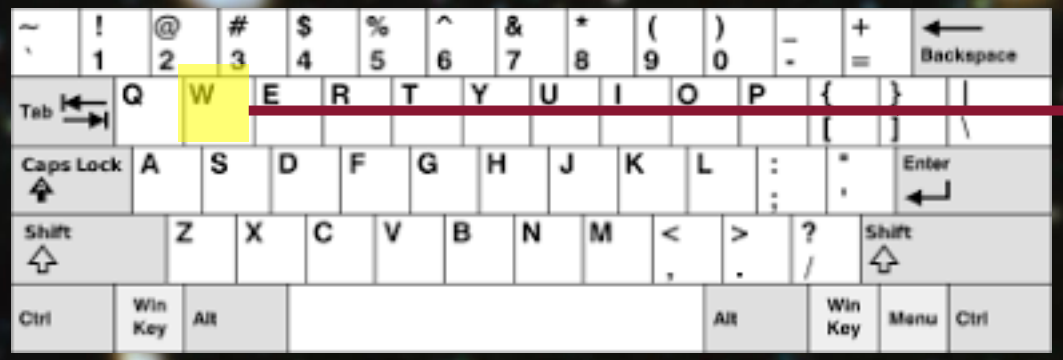

Computer

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Kernel

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Process1

```
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```
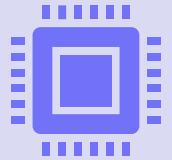

Bus

Processor [HALT]

IP



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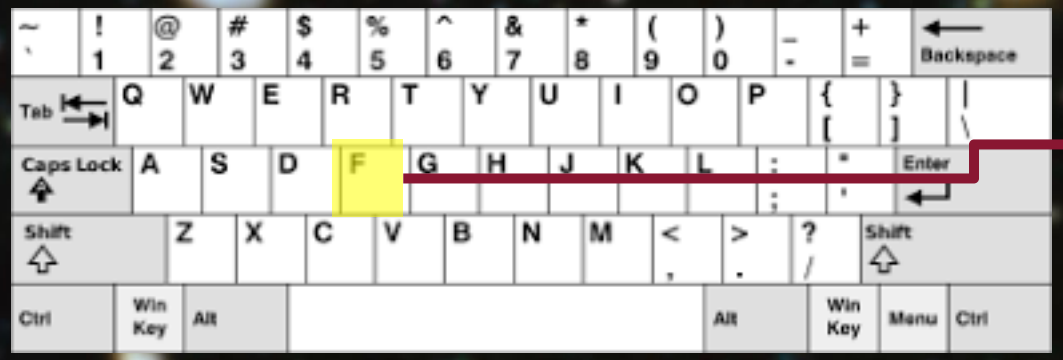

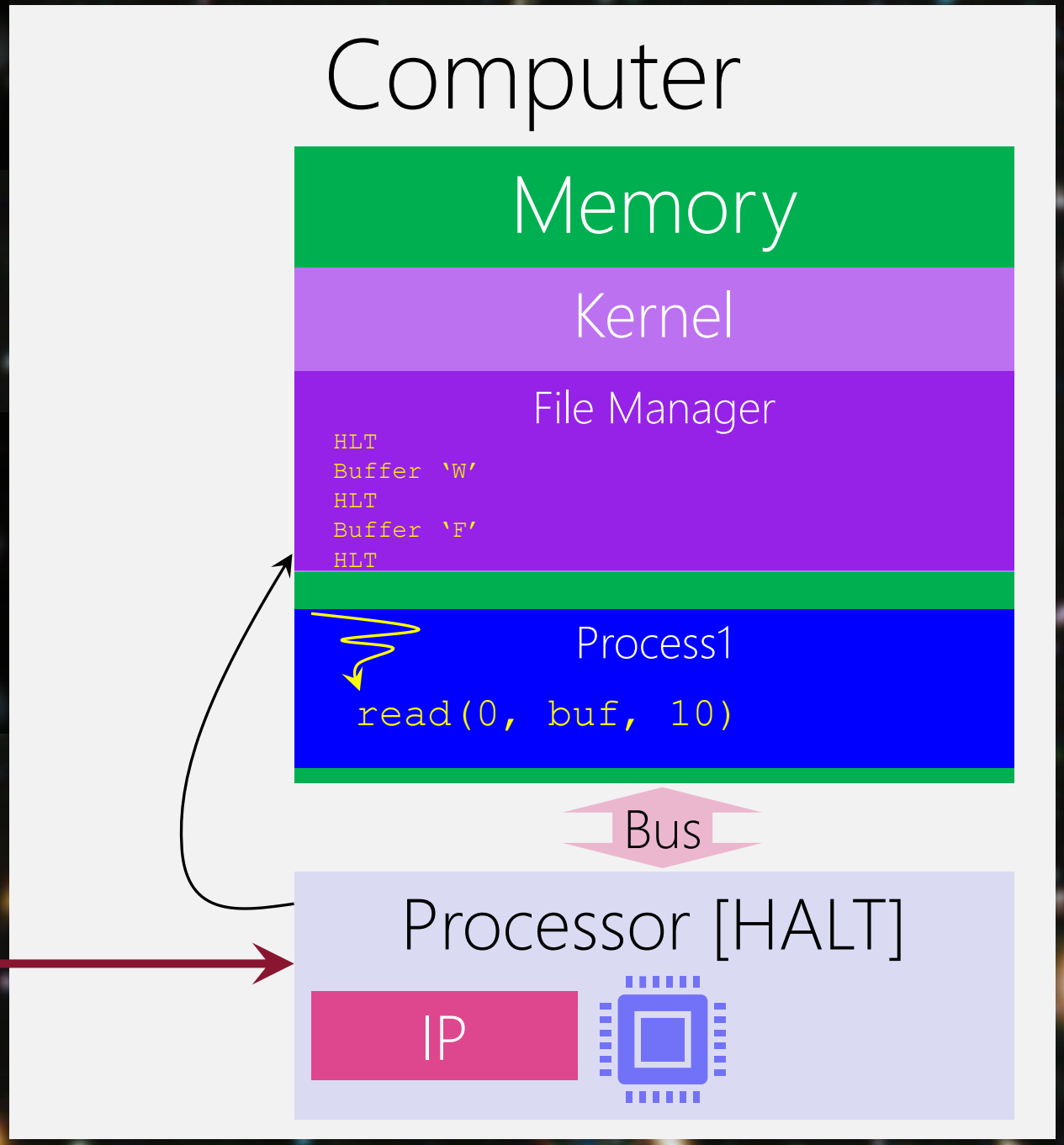

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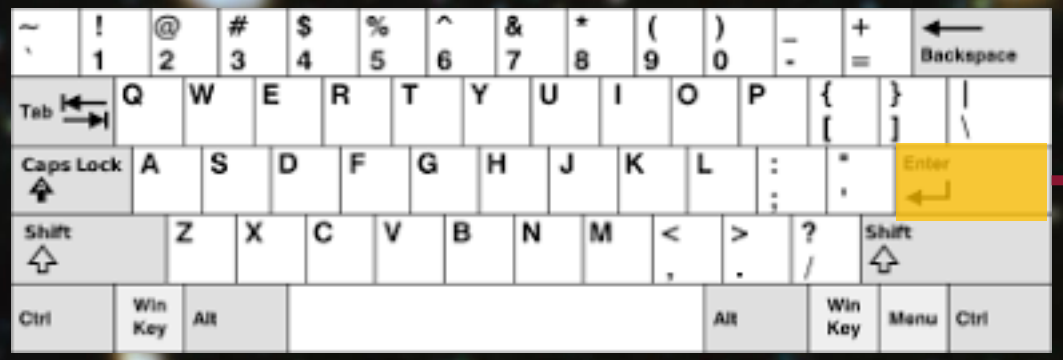

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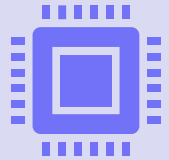

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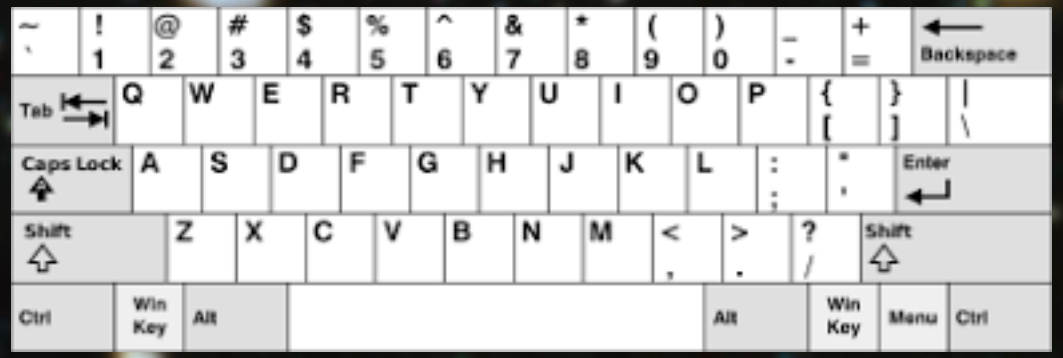

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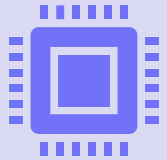

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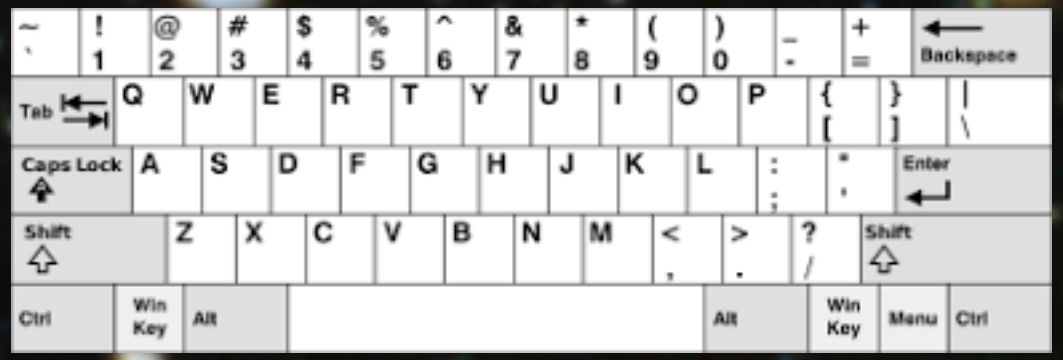

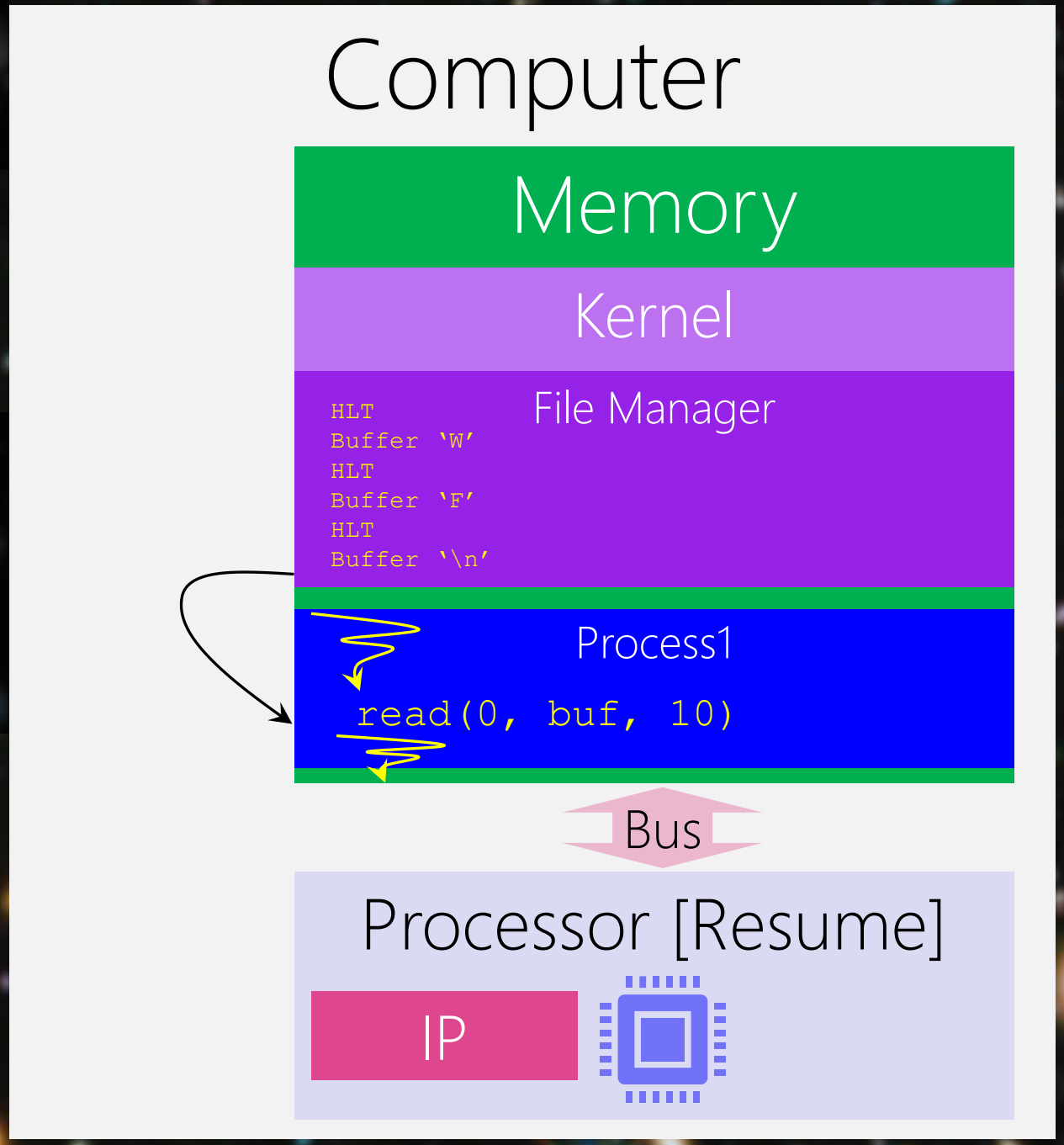

Whether Busy Waiting or HALT

Waste of Processor

Single Processor ~~Multiprocessor~~

Whether Busy Waiting or HALT

Share it with another process

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Processor Sharing → Time Sharing/Slicing

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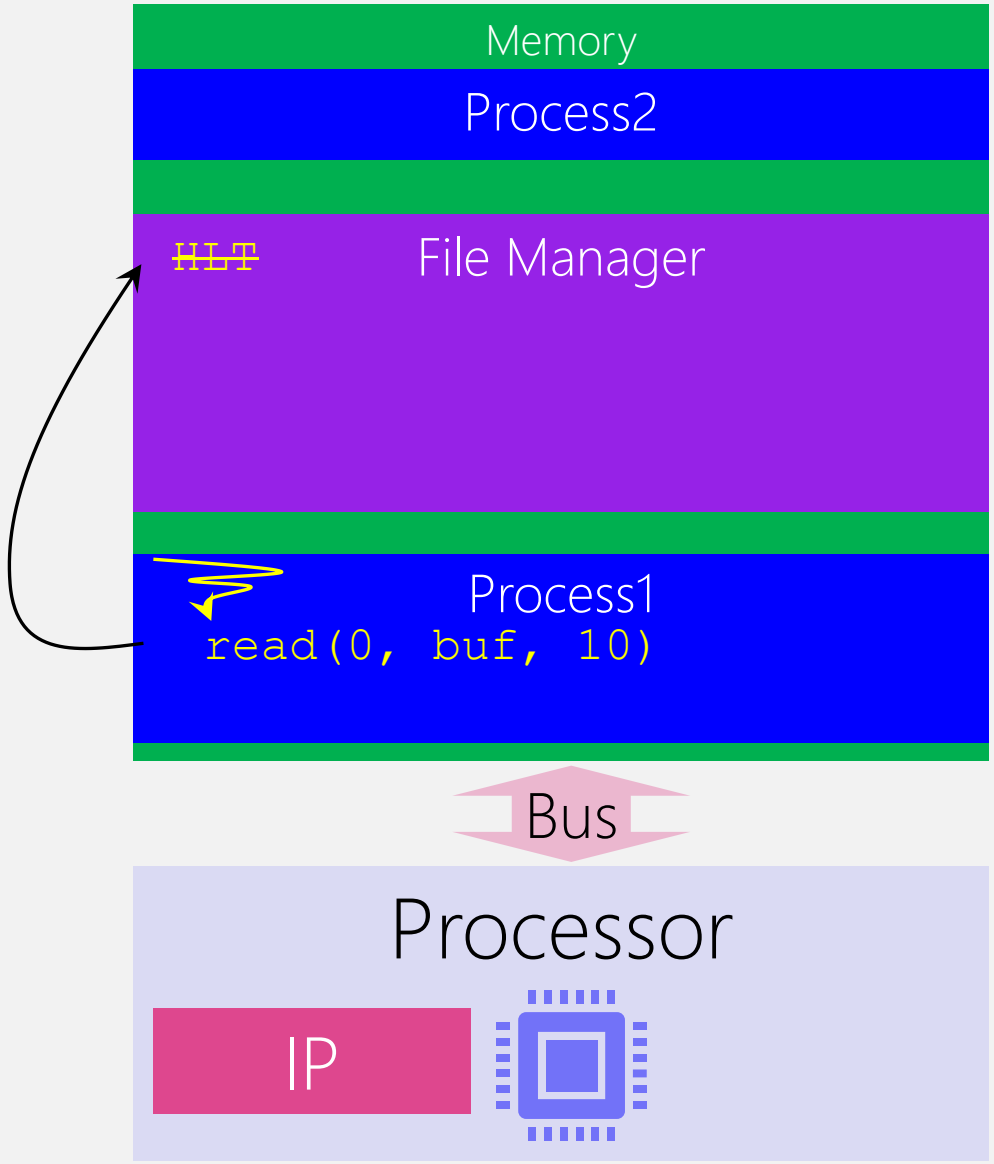
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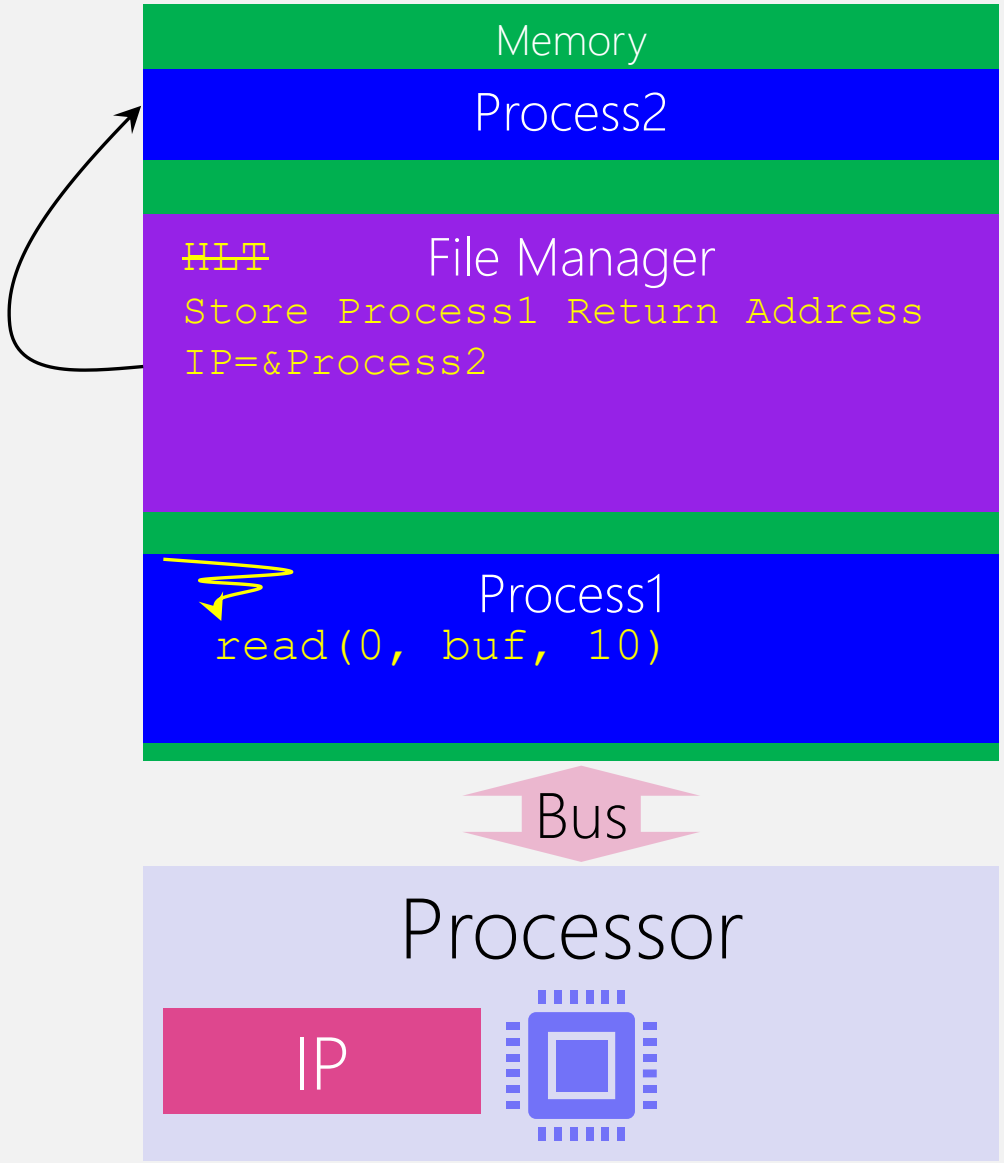
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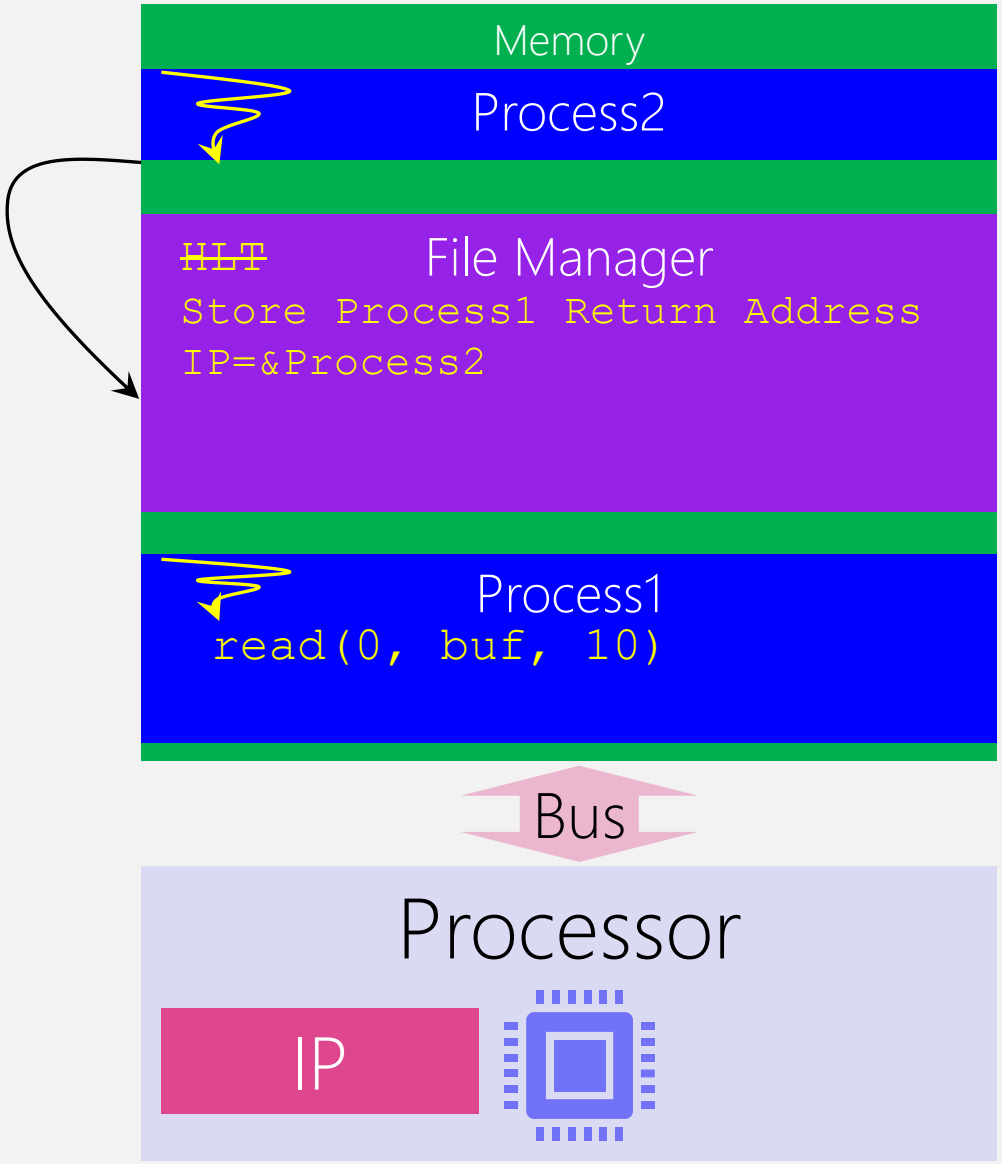
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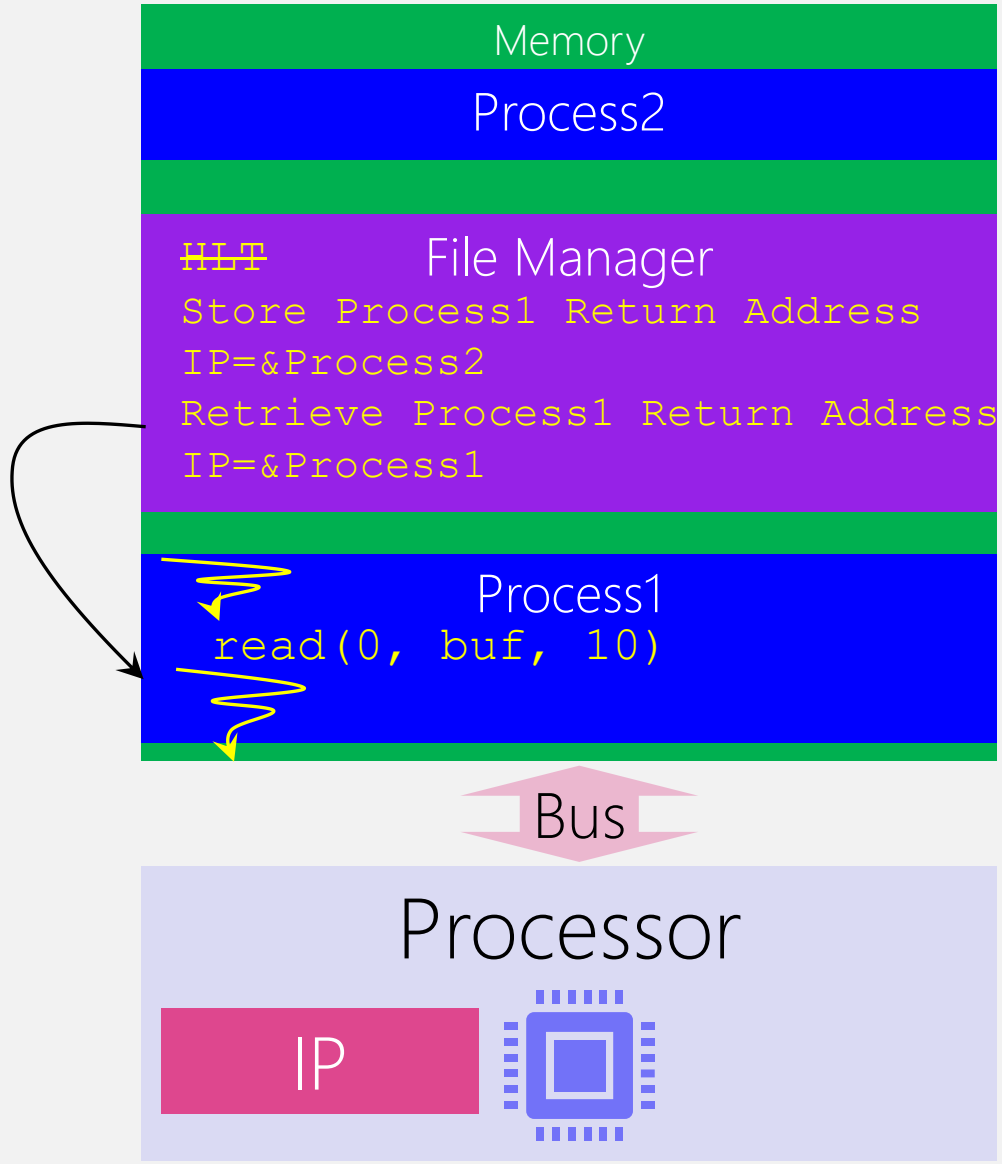
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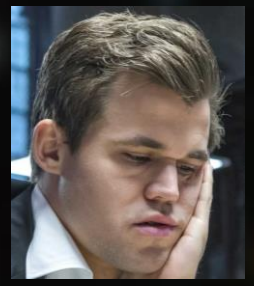
It’s not that simple, tho!

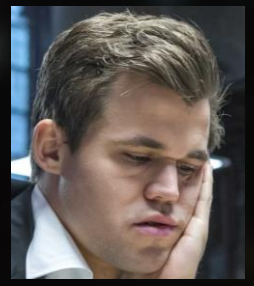
Further Reading → Process Context Switch



Magnus Carlsen

Hikaru Nakamura

Can we borrow your chessboard while you're thinking for the next move?



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Sure! →

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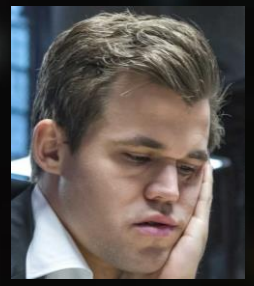

Magnus Carlsen

Can we have it back?

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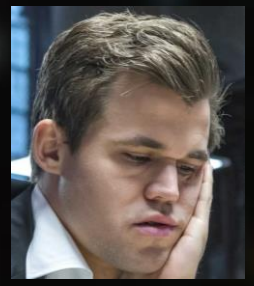

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Where were we?!

← Sure!

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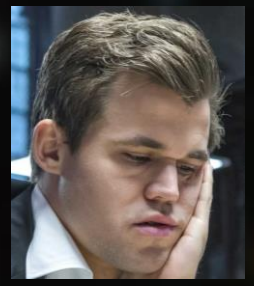

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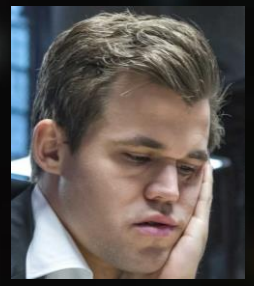

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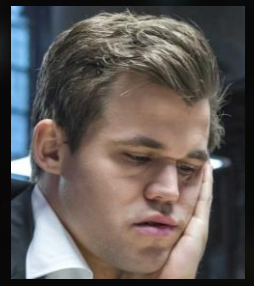

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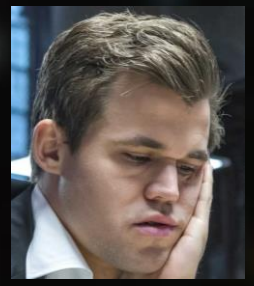
Sure! →

← Sure!

100 nano to 10 microseconds!

Eris Li



Magnus Carlsen

Seems we have two chessboard

100 nano to 10 microseconds

Hikaru Nakamura

Eris Li

"Normal people should see Naples before they die, but the great chess masters have to win the Wijk aan Zee tournament first of all"-Bent Larsen

Sharing 1 Chessboard

Creating a New Process

Creating a New Process

System Calls: `fork()` in `unistd.h`

```
#include <unistd.h>
pid_t fork(void);
```

Returns: 0 in child, PID of child in parent, –1 on error

Parent vs. Child Process

System Calls: `fork()` in `unistd.h`

Only an existing process can create a new process.
Because somebody should do the system call!

Compile Time Analysis

```
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#include <stdio.h>
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        int child_pid = fork();
```

Compile Time Analysis

A request to ~~adopt~~ or give birth to a new child

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                exit(1);
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```

Compile Time Analysis

-1 on error in having a child

Exit the process with an error status

Nonzero!

```
hfani@charlie:~$ vi fork.c
```

Compile Time Analysis

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```

Congratulation! You become a parent.
Here is the pid of your child.

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Me: Where is my child?!

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```

Kernel:
Your child was born here.
At runtime, we promise that your child is inside the memory somewhere.

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Me:

How does the child look like? Is the child girl or boy? What's the color of eye? Blue? …

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Kernel:

What do you expect?! Your child is like you.

Oh, the child is exactly a copy of you (clone)

Same age, same gender, same color, …

Indeed, it is very hard to distinguish yourself from your child.

Which one is my hat?, The Prestige (2006) - Christopher Nolan

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Me:
There should be a way that tells me is me and the child is the child.

Compile Time Analysis

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Kernel:

If the child_pid is a non-zero positive number, it means you're are the parent.

Because we only give children's pid to their parents.

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                }
        }
```

Kernel:

If the child_pid is 0, it means you're are the child.

If you want to know your pid, use `getpid()` system call.

If you want to know your parent pid, use `getppid()` system call.

Compile Time Analysis

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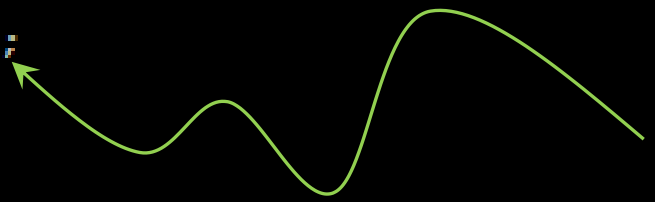

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- Child
- Both
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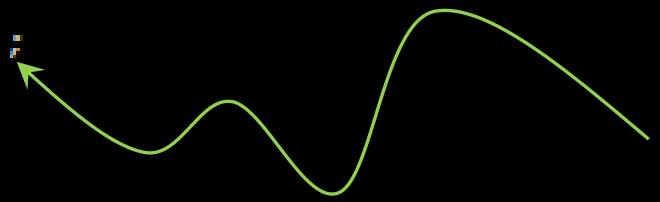
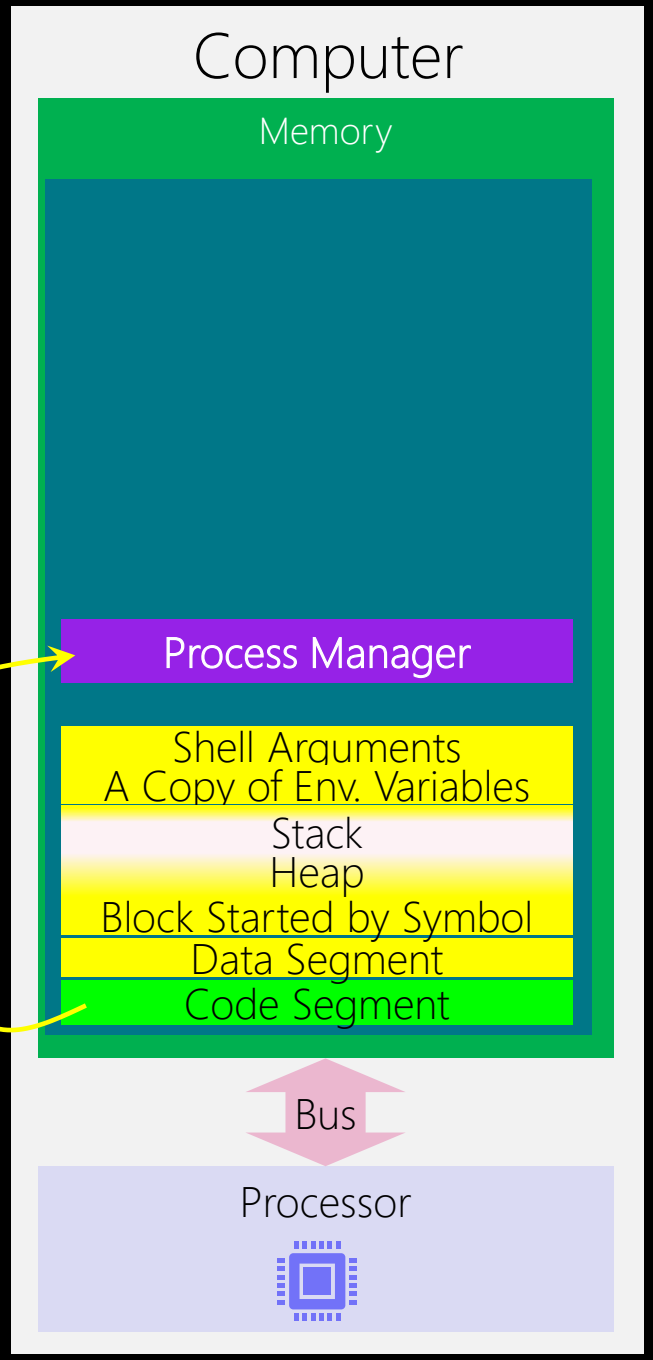
Compile Time Analysis



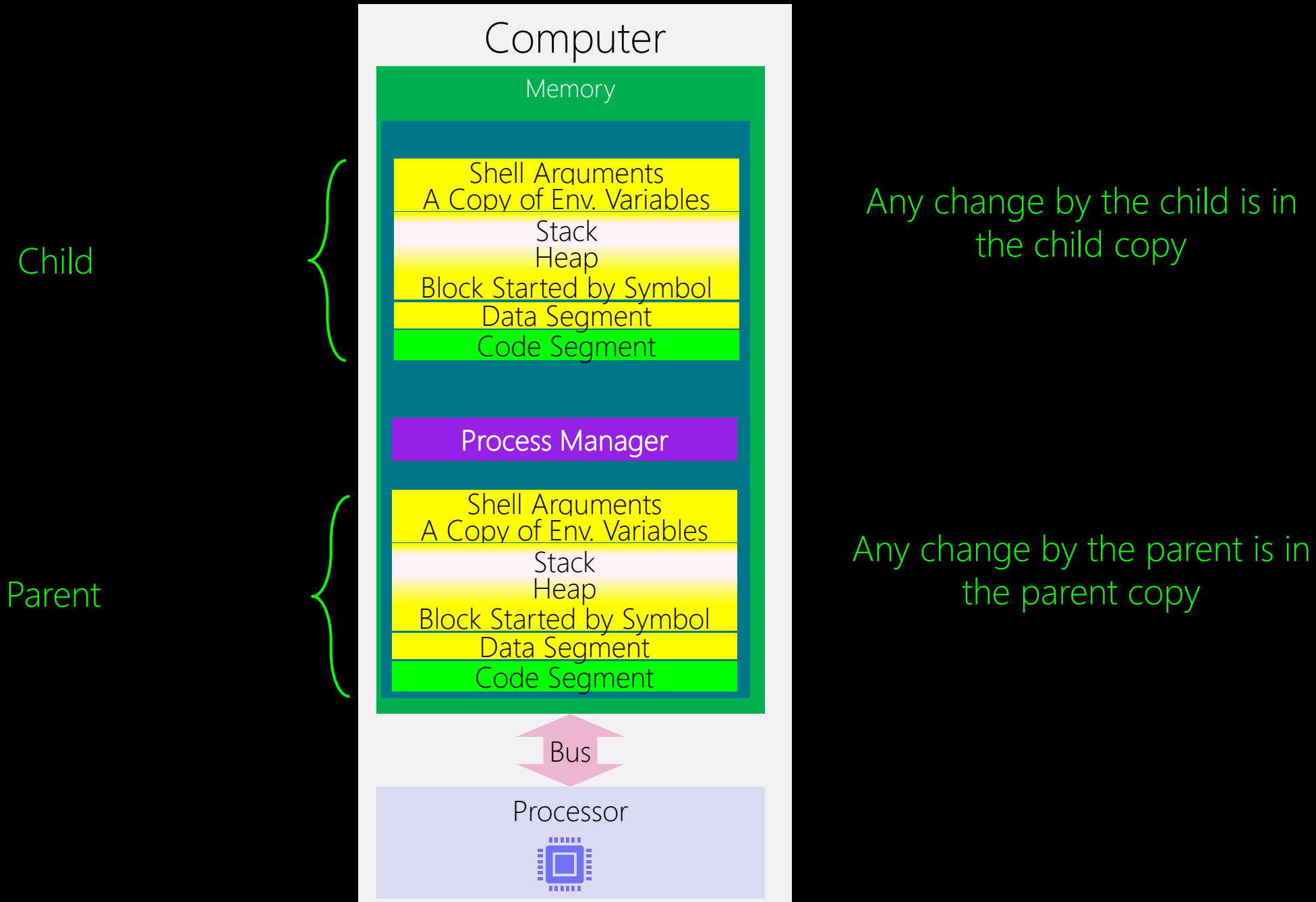
Who runs this line? We need to see what's going on in runtime.

- Parent
- Child
- Both
- None




```
int child_pid = fork();
```

Exact copy at `fork()`


Computer
Memory
Shell Arguments
A Copy of Env. Variables
Stack
Heap
Block Started by Symbol
Data Segment
Code Segment
Process Manager
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Bus
Processor
Child
Parent
Any change by the child is in the child copy
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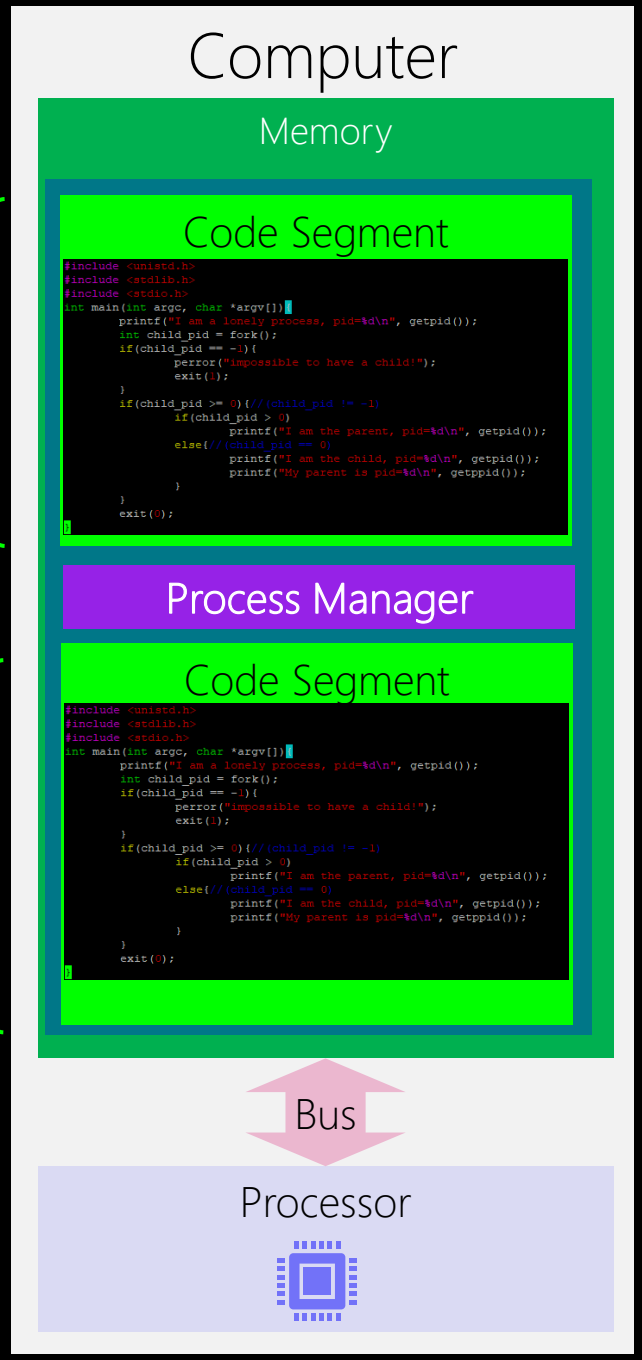
Child

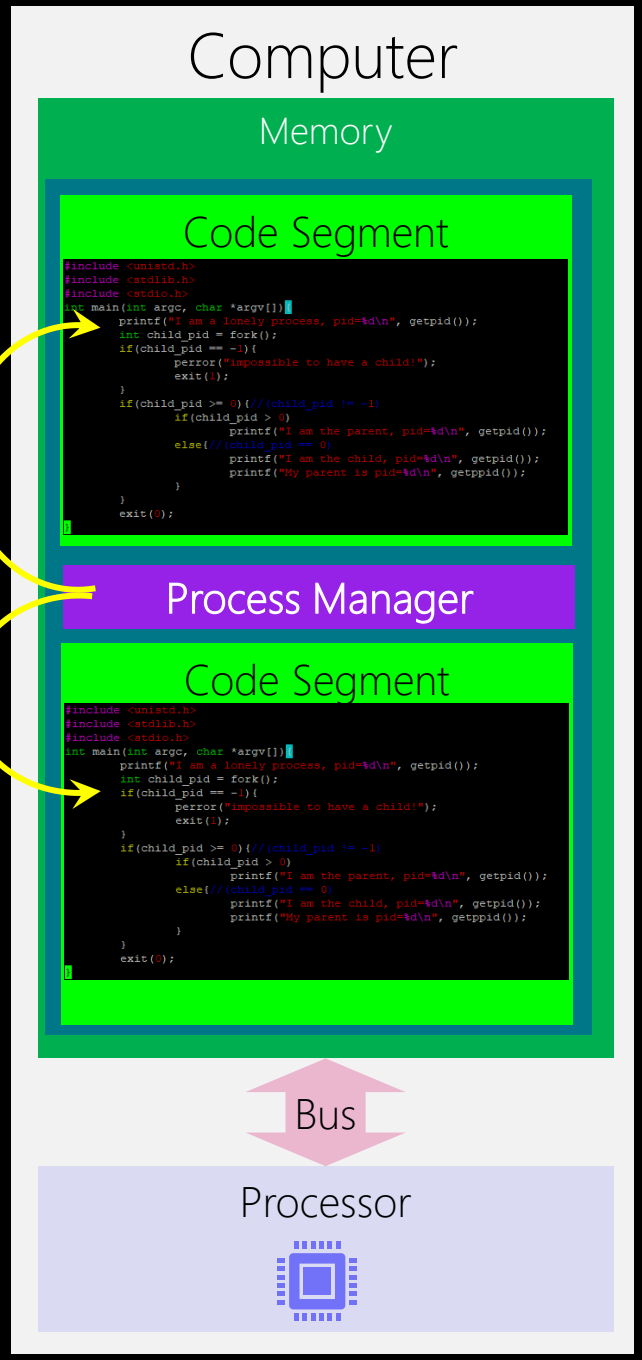
Parent



If we zoom in to the code segment, which line is the current line in child and parent?

Child

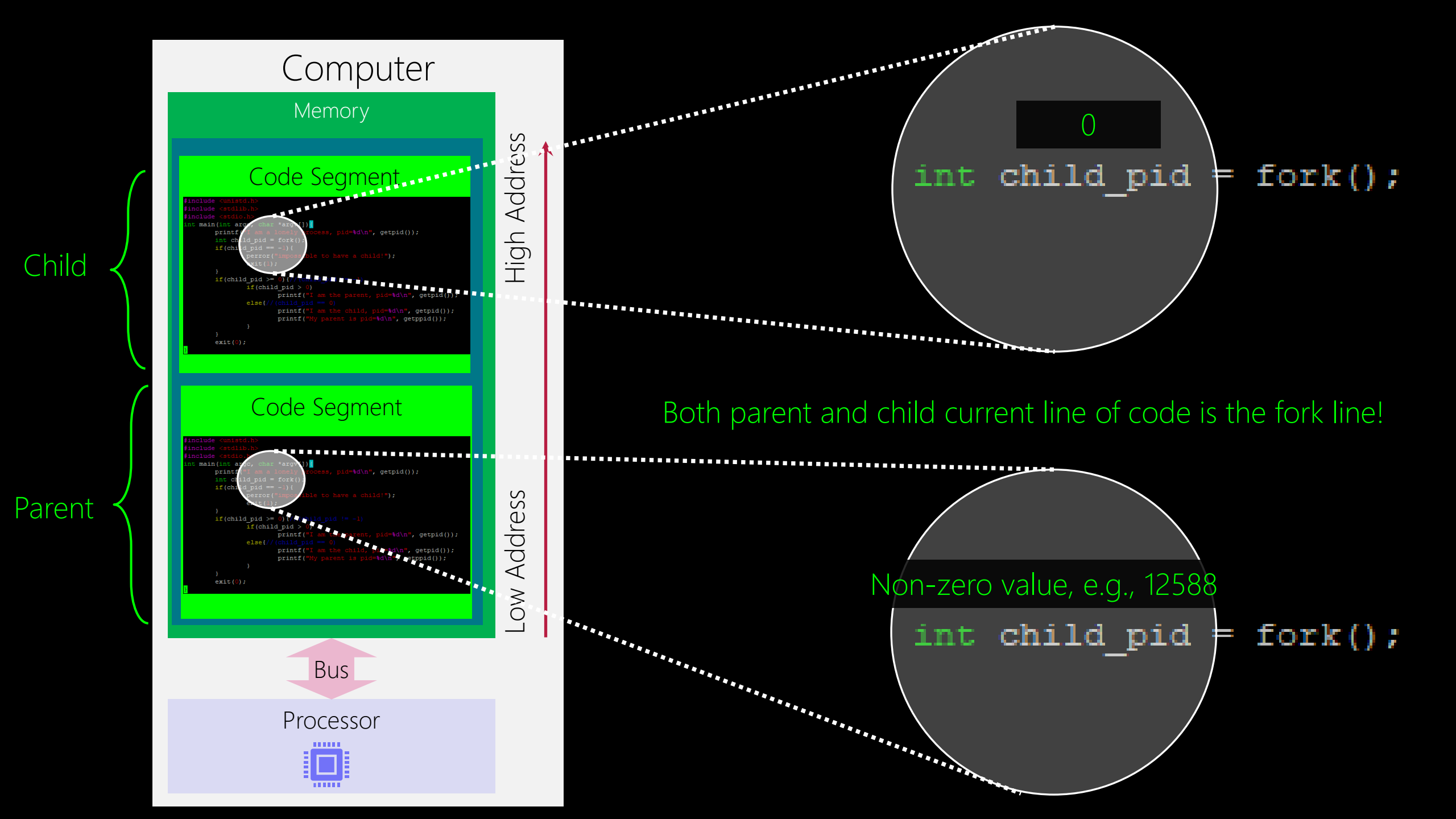
Parent



0 at `fork()` for child

This system call is amazing as it returns two values to two different processes!

child_pid at `fork()` for parent


Computer
Memory
Code Segment
Code Segment
High Address
Low Address
Child
Parent
Bus
Processor
0
int child_pid = fork();
Both parent and child current line of code is the fork line!
Non-zero value, e.g., 12588
int child_pid = fork();

Parent

13

```
int child_pid = fork();
```

Child

0

```
int child_pid = fork();
```

Parent

13

```
int child_pid = fork();
if(child_pid == -1){
```

Child

0

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Parent

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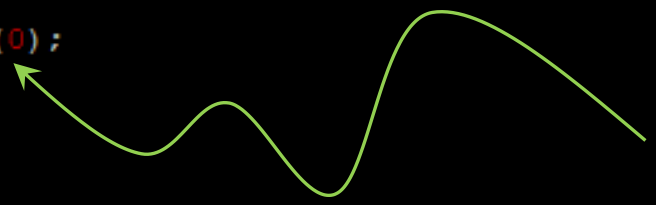

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Orphan

No Parent → Kernel Adopts the Child

Child' PPID → ?

What's Kernel PID?

Child

0

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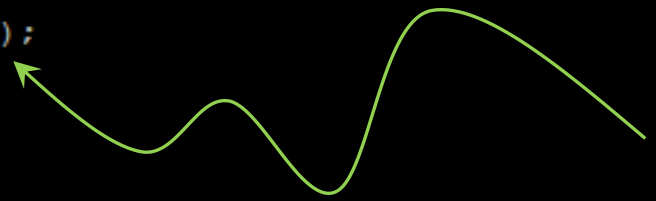

Laser Room, Resident Evil (2002) - Paul W. S. Anderson