

# 1 Process

## Vocabularies

### 1. Process

- Is a program in execution

### 2. Running Program

- Is a collection of coded software instructions that can be executed by a computer to perform a specific task

### 3. Time Sharing

- Is a basic technique used by an OS to share a resource
- Allows an entity to use the resource for a little while, and then a little while by another, and so forth

#### Example

CPU

### 4. Space Sharing

- Is where a resource (space) is divided among those who wishes to use it

#### Example

Disk, and Memory

### 5. Mechanism

- Is a low-level method or protocol that implement a needed piece of functionality.

#### Example

Context Switching

### 6. Policy

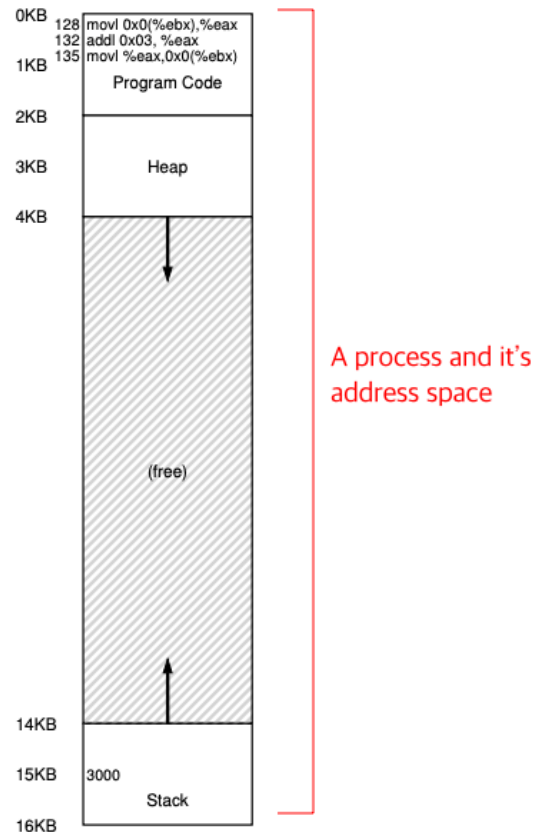
- Is an algorithm for making some kinds of decision within the OS

#### Example

Scheduling Policy. That is, what kind of program should the OS run?

## 7. Address Space

- Is a range of discrete addresses where each corresponds to a memory cell

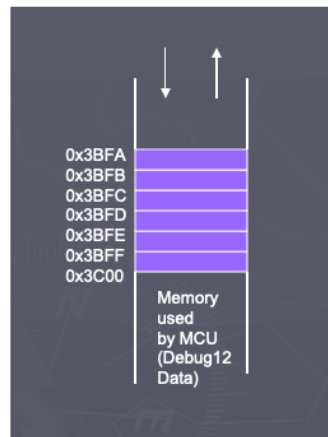


## 8. Program Counter

- Is also called **Instruction Pointer**
- Is a process register that tells which instruction of the program is currently being executed

## 9. Stack Pointer

- Is a register that points to the location of last item placed in memory block



#### 10. **Frame Pointer**

- Is a reference pointer allowing a debugger to know where local variable or an argument is at with a single constant offset

#### 11. **Program Stack**

#### 12. **Program Heap**

#### 13. **File Descriptors**

#### 14. **Persistence**

#### 15. **Process States**

#### 16. **Process List**

#### 17. **Context Switch**

#### 18. **Process Control Block**

#### 19. **Zombie State**