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## **Multiprocessing Wrap**

## ■ Today's Agenda

- I still need to work through the synchronization examples I didn't get to on Friday.
  - Buggy program is here.
  - Fixed program, which relies on signals masks, is right here.
- I want to introduce the **kill** system call, which allows one process to send an arbitrary signal to another.
  - The function is pretty easy to understand, but I want to work through a short programming puzzle just to make sure.
- I want to give you some high-level sense as to how the OS supports multiprocessing so that each process can operate as if it owns all of its 4GB (or 256TB, in a 64-bit world) virtual address space. This part is all concept and whiteboard illustrations, but there's no code.
- I also want you to understand how the scheduler can roundrobin through all of the active processes so that each of them gets enough processor time to make progress. Again, all concept and whiteboard drawings, but no code.