

Operating Systems

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- What is an operating system
- The history of operating systems
- Operating system architecture
- Coordinating the machine's activities
- Handling competition among processes
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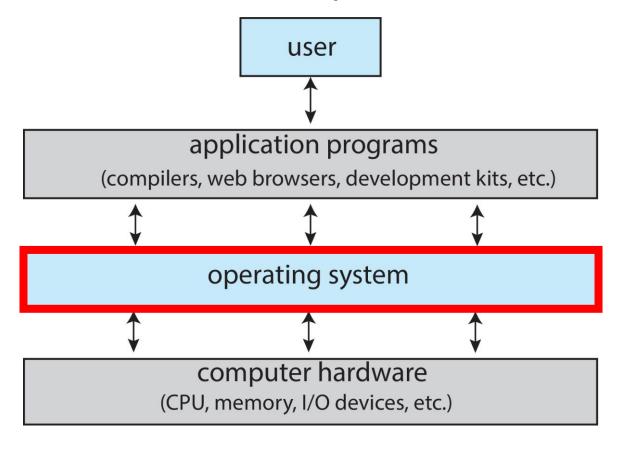
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What is an Operating System

- An operating system (OS) is a software program that acts as an intermediary between a user and the computer hardware
 - Execute user programs
 - Make the computer system convenient to use
 - Such that users can focus on their problems
 - Use the computer hardware in an efficient manner

What is an Operating System (cont.)

 An operating system (OS) can be considered as a government or environment provider



Features of Operating Systems

User view: varies by the types of the computers









Personal Computer (PC)



ease of use

Mainframe, Workstation



reliability efficiency fair sharing Handheld Computer



individual usability battery life

Embedded Computer



run without user intervention

Features of Operating Systems (cont.)

System view: a resource allocator and control program

Resource allocator

- CPU time
- Memory space
- File storage
- I/O devices

Control program

- Control execution of user programs
- Prevent errors and misuse

Examples of Operating Systems

- Windows
- UNIX
- Mac OS
- Solaris
- Linux

- Apple iOS
- Windows phone
- BlackBerry OS
- Nokia Symbian OS
- Google Android

Free and Open-Source OSes

- OS with available source
 - Otherwise: closed-source OS. E.g., MS Windows, iOS
- Examples: GNU/Linux, BSD, UNIX, etc.
- Arguably issues on bugs, security, support

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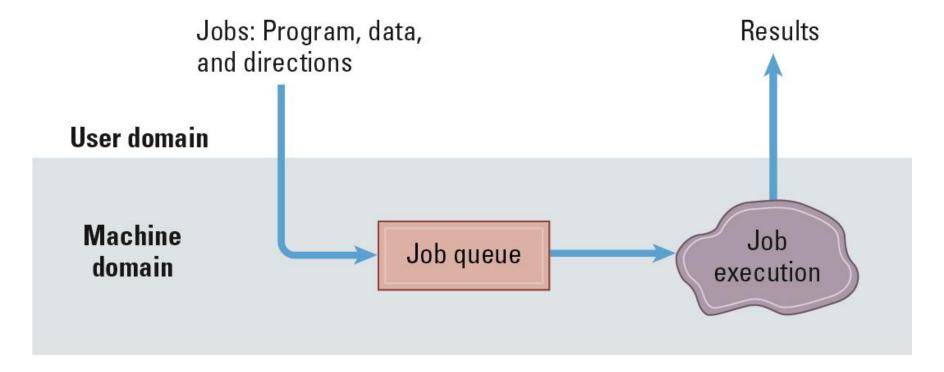
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History of Operating Systems

- Batch processing (job queue)
- Interactive and (real-time) processing
- Multi-tasking and time-sharing and
- Multiprocessor machines
- Embedded Systems (specific devices)

Batching Process

- Each program is called a "job"
 - Feed by computer operators
- First-in, first-out (FIFO)



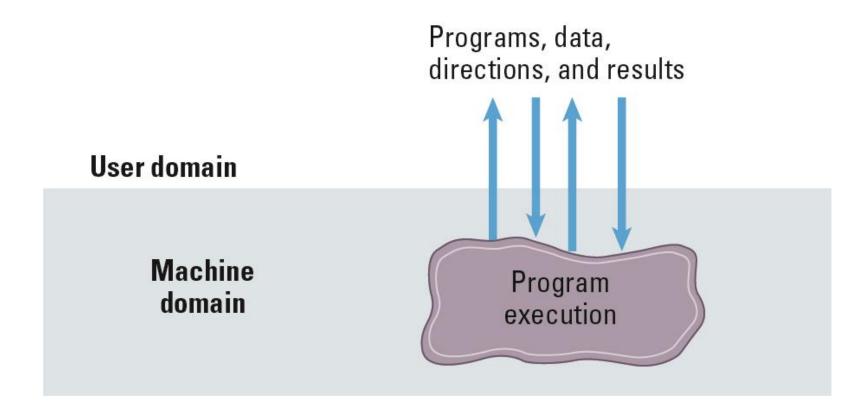
Batching Process (cont.)



Punch card operator

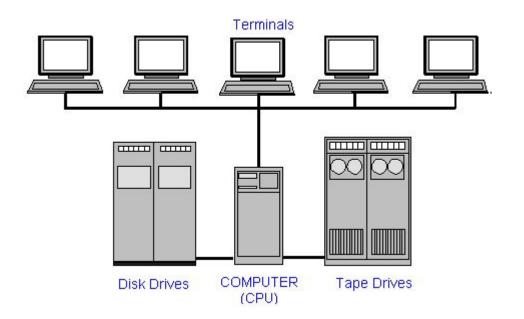
Interactive Processing

OS with remote terminals



Interactive Processing (cont.)

Terminals





Real-Time Processing

- Real-time OS has well-defined fixed time constraints
 - Hard real-time system
 - Processing must be done within the constraint
 - Correct operation only if constraints met
 - Soft real-time system
 - Missing a timing is serious but does not necessarily result in failure (ex: multimedia)

Real-time means on time! (not fast)

Multi-Tasking

- Before multi-tasking, one job at a time
- Example: MS DOS



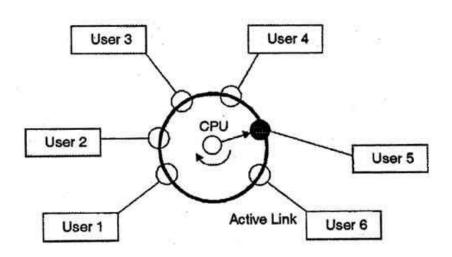


Multi-Tasking (cont.)

- A single user cannot always keep CPU and I/O devices busy
 - E.g., humans and disk I/O are too slow compared to CPU and memory
- Put multiple programs in memory
- OS organizes jobs so that the CPU always has one to execute
 - When a job has to wait (e.g., for I/O), OS switches to another job
 - Increase CPU utilization
 - Need job and CPU scheduling

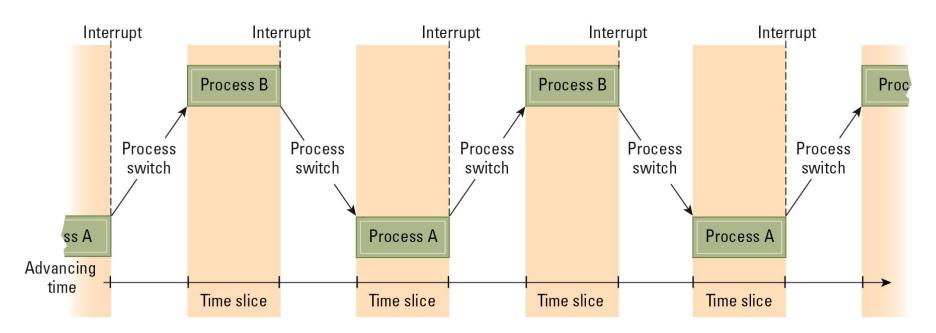
Multi-Tasking with Time-Sharing

- CPU switches jobs frequently so that users can interact with each job while it is running
 - Only one (per core) task is being executed at any given time
 - A logical extension of multi-tasking
 - Interactivity!
 - Response time should be less than 1 sec.



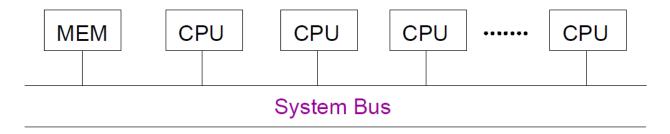
Context Switch

- Kernel saves the state of the old process and loads the saved state for the new process
- Context switch time is purely overhead
- Switch time (about 1 ~ 1000 ms) depends on hardware



Multiprocessor

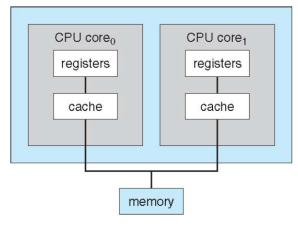
 More than one processor in close communication sharing bus, memory, and peripheral devices



The recent trend: from a fast single processor to lots

of processors

Multiple cores over a single chip



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Software Classification

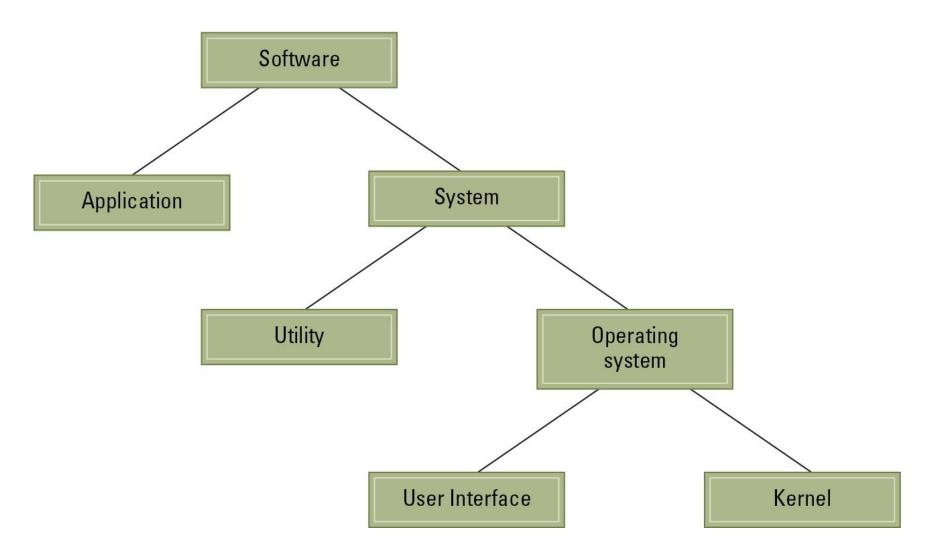
Application software

 Performs specific tasks for users (productivity, games, software development)

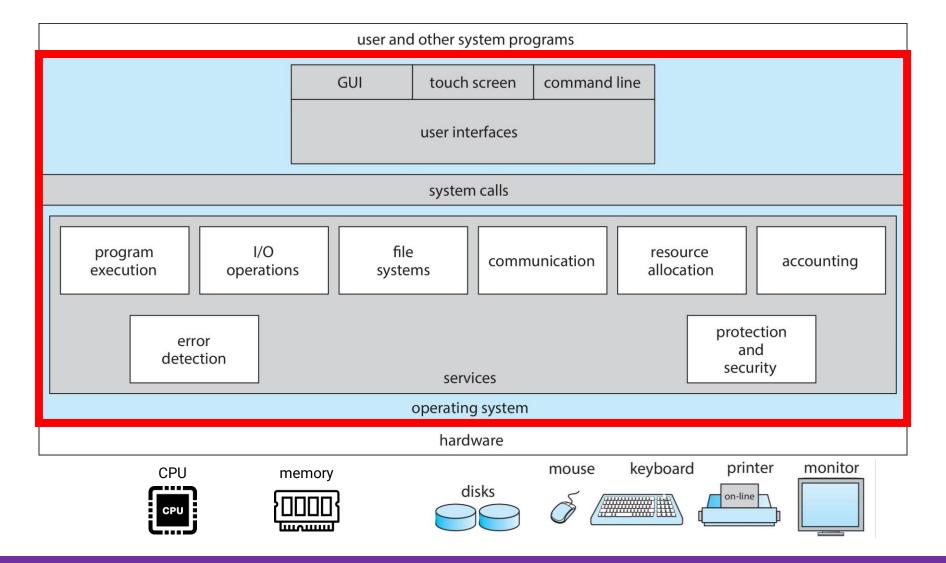
System software

- Provides infrastructure for application software
- Consists of operating system and utility software

Software Classification (cont.)



Operating System Components



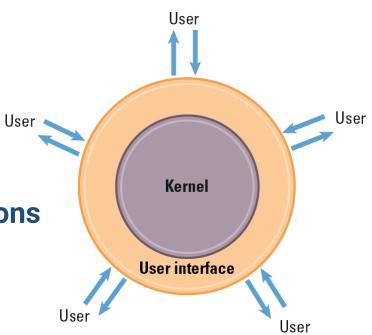
Operating System Components (cont.)

User interface:

- Communicates with users
 - Text-based (Shell)
 - Graphical user interface (GUI)

Kernel:

- Performs basic required functions
 - File manager
 - Device drivers
 - Memory manager
 - Scheduler
 - Dispatcher

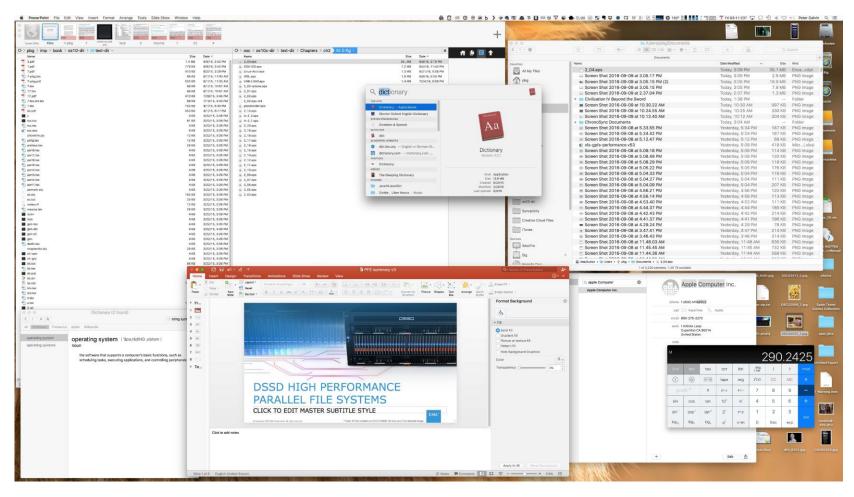


User Interface: Shell

```
1. root@r6181-d5-us01:~ (ssh)
                                       #2 × root@r6181-d5-us01... #3
× root@r6181-d5-u... ● 第1 ×
Last login: Thu Jul 14 08:47:01 on ttys002
iMacPro:~ pbg$ ssh root@r6181-d5-us01
root@r6181-d5-us01's password:
Last login: Thu Jul 14 06:01:11 2016 from 172.16.16.162
[root@r6181-d5-us01 ~]# uptime
06:57:48 up 16 days, 10:52, 3 users, load average: 129.52, 80.33, 56.55
[root@r6181-d5-us01 ~]# df -kh
Filesystem
                    Size Used Avail Use% Mounted on
/dev/mapper/vg_ks-lv_root
                     50G
                          19G
                                28G 41% /
tmpfs
                   127G 520K 127G 1% /dev/shm
/dev/sda1
                   477M
                         71M 381M 16% /boot
/dev/dssd0000
                   1.0T 480G 545G 47% /dssd xfs
tcp://192.168.150.1:3334/orangefs
                    12T 5.7T 6.4T 47% /mnt/orangefs
/dev/gpfs-test
                    23T 1.1T 22T 5% /mnt/gpfs
[root@r6181-d5-us01 ~]#
[root@r6181-d5-us01 ~]# ps aux | sort -nrk 3,3 | head -n 5
        97653 11.2 6.6 42665344 17520636 ? S<Ll Jul13 166:23 /usr/lpp/mmfs/bin/mmfsd
root
                                 0 ?
                                                Jul12 181:54 [vpthread-1-1]
        69849 6.6 0.0
root
                                 0 ? S Jul12 177:42 [vpthread-1-2]
        69850 6.4 0.0
root
         3829 3.0 0.0 0
                                 0 ? S Jun27 730:04 [rp_thread 7:0]
root
                                  0 ?
                                                 Jun27 728:08 [rp_thread 6:0]
         3826 3.0 0.0
root
[root@r6181-d5-us01 ~]# ls -l /usr/lpp/mmfs/bin/mmfsd
-r-x---- 1 root root 20667161 Jun 3 2015 /usr/lpp/mmfs/bin/mmfsd
[root@r6181-d5-us01 ~]#
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Bourne Shell (default shell of UNIX ver. 7)

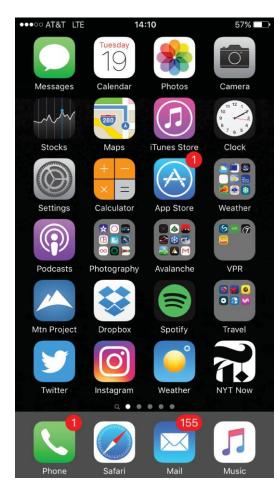
User Interface: GUI

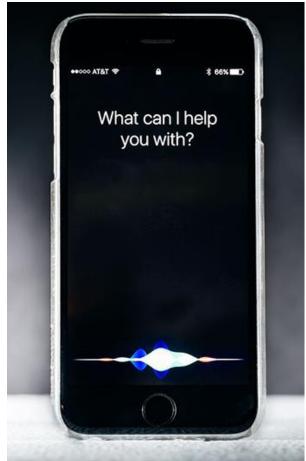


Mac OS X GUI

User Interface: Others

- Touch-screen
- Voice control



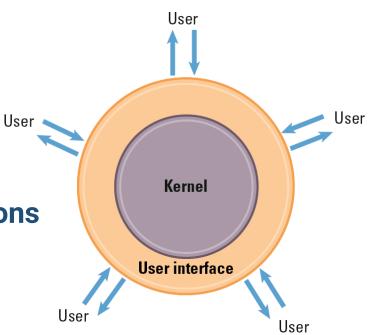


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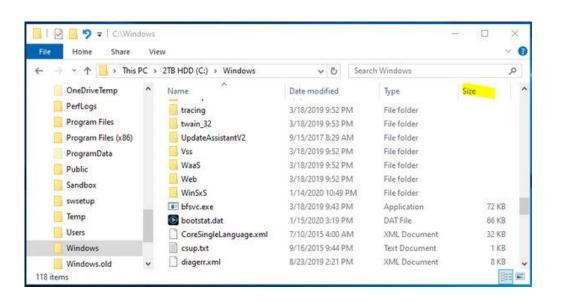
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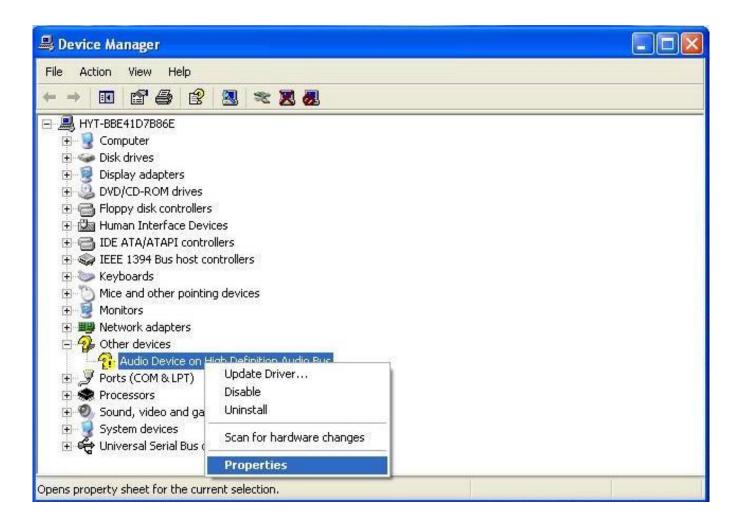


Kernel: File Manager

- Directory (or folder)
 - A user-created bundle of files and other directories (subdirectories)
- Directory path
 - A sequence of directories within directories

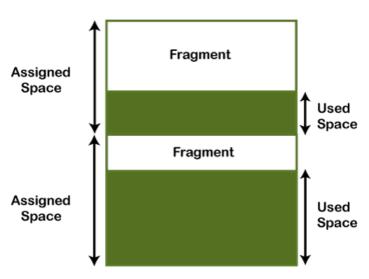


Kernel: Device Drivers



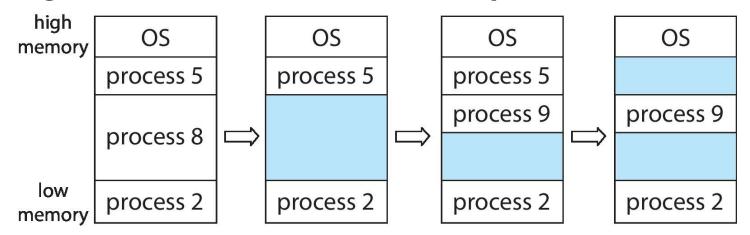
Kernel: Memory Manager

- Allocating space in the main memory
- Contiguous allocation: fixed-partition allocation
 - Each process loads into one partition of fixed-size
 - Degree of multi-programming is bounded by the number of partitions
 - Result in internal fragmentation
 - Memory that is internal to a partition but is not being used

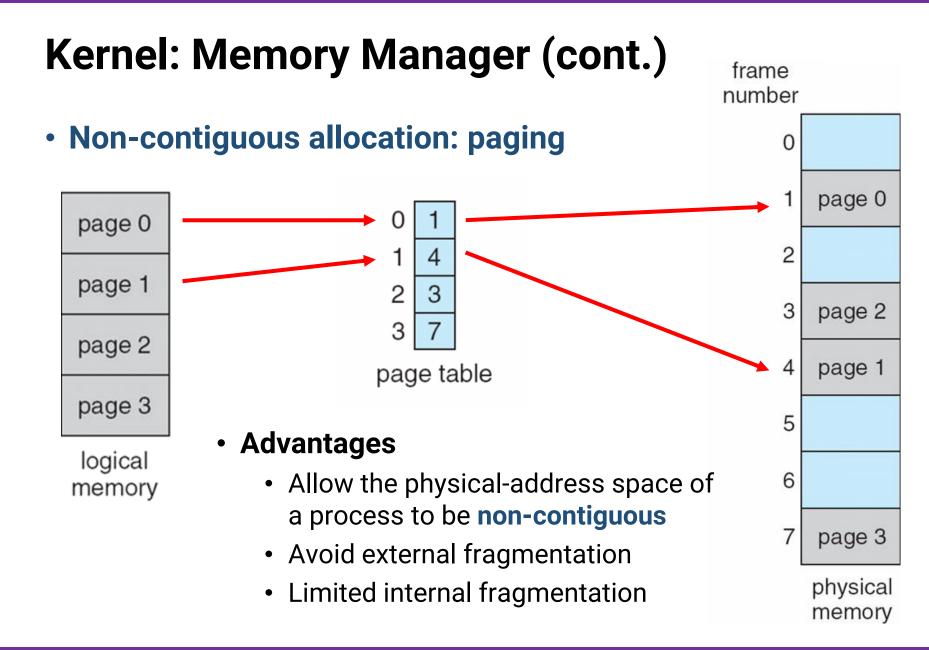


Kernel: Memory Manager (cont.)

- Allocating space in the main memory
- Contiguous allocation: variable-size partition



- When a process arrives, it is allocated a hole large enough to accommodate it
- Result in external fragmentation



Kernel: Memory Manager (cont.)

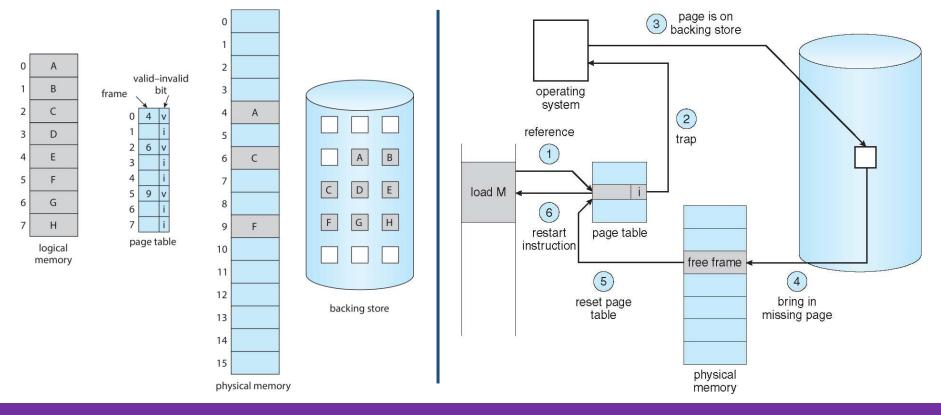
Paging

- Divide physical memory into fixed-size blocks called frames
- Divide logical address space into blocks of the same size called pages
- To run a program of n pages, need to find n free frames and load the program
- Must keep track of free frames
- Set up a page table to translate logical to physical addresses

Kernel: Memory Manager

Virtual memory

 A process can be swapped out of memory to a backing store, and later brought back into memory for continuous execution

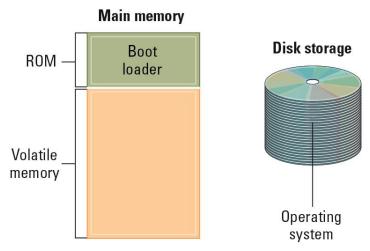


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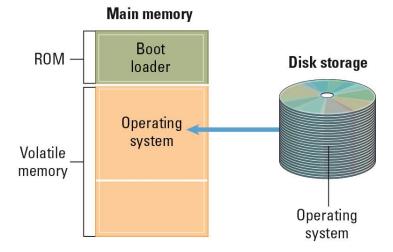
- Virtual memory
 - To run an extremely large process
 - Logical address space can be much larger than physical address space
 - To increase CPU/resource utilization
 - Higher degree of multi-tasking
 - Avoid putting rarely used data and codes in memory
 - To launch programs faster
 - Less I/O would be needed to load or swap

Bootstrapping / Booting

- Boot loader: program in ROM (read-only memory)
 - Run by the CPU when power is turned on
 - Transfers operating system from mass storage to main memory
 - Executes jump to the operating system

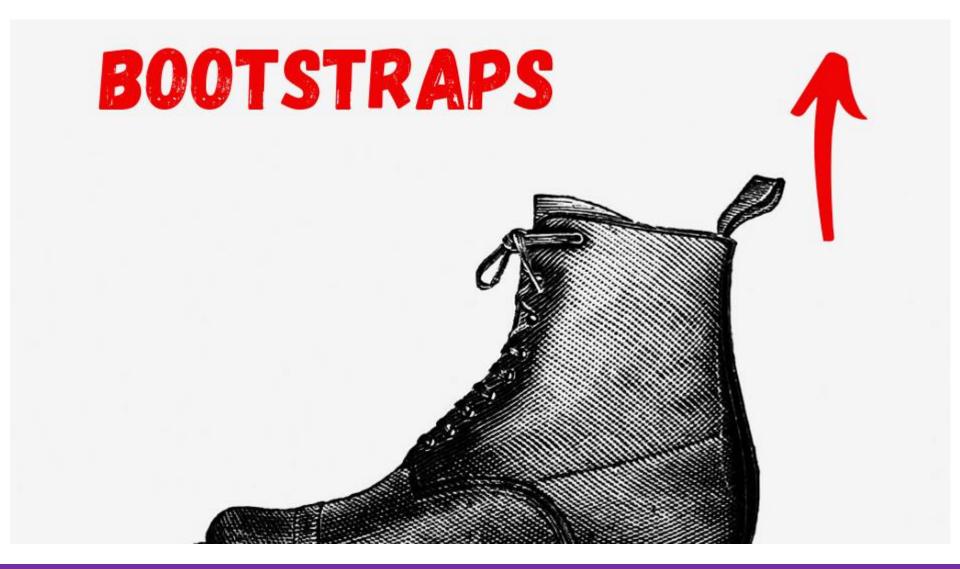


Step 1: Machine starts by executing the boot loader program already in memory. Operating system is stored in mass storage.



Step 2: Boot loader program directs the transfer of the operating system into main memory and then transfers control to it.

Bootstrapping / Booting (cont.)



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Coordinating the Machine's Activities

 An operating system coordinates the execution of application software, utility software, and units within the operating system itself



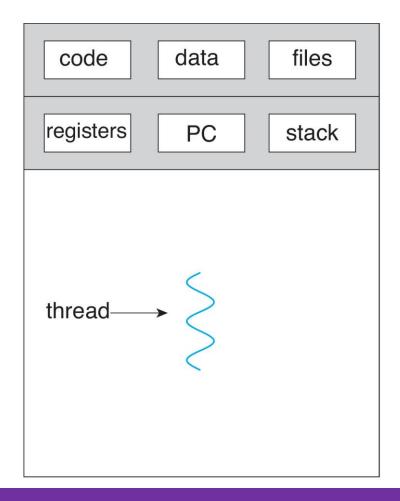
The Concept of a Process

Process

The activity of executing a program

Process state

- Current status of the activity
 - Program counter
 - General purpose registers
 - Related portion of main memory
- Managed by a process table (Process Control Block, PCB)
- Save/load during a context switch



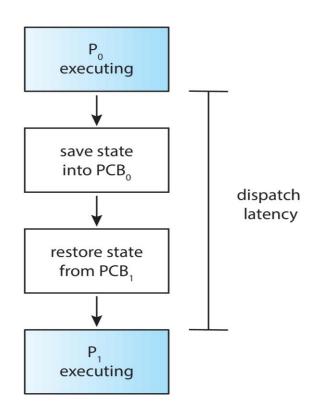
Process Administration

Scheduler

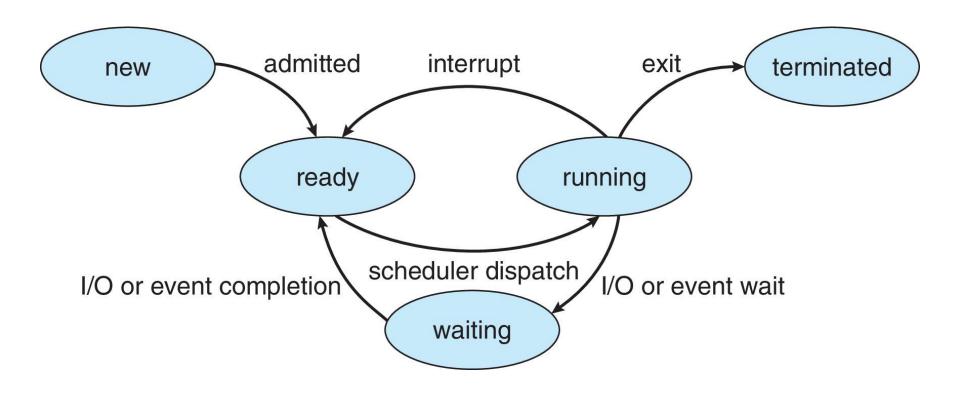
- Maintain the process table
 - Introduce new processes
 - Remove completed processes
 - Decide whether a process is ready or waiting

Dispatcher

- Really execute the program
 - Control the allocation of time slices to the processes
 - Switch processes (context switch)



Process State



Only one process is running on any processor at any instant However, many processes may be ready or waiting (put into a queue)

Scheduling Criteria

- CPU utilization
 - Theoretically 0% ~ 100%
 - Real systems: 40% (light) ~ 90% (heavy)
- Throughput

system view

- Number of completed processes per time unit
- Turnaround time
 - Submission ~ completion
- Waiting time
 - Total waiting time in the ready queue
- Response time
 - Submission ~ the first response is produced

single job view

Scheduling Criteria (cont.)

- Max CPU utilization
- Max Throughput
- Min Turnaround time
- Min Waiting time
- Min Response time

Scheduling Algorithms

- First-Come, First-Served (FCFS) scheduling
- Shortest-Job-First (SJF) scheduling
- Priority scheduling
- Round-Robin scheduling
- Multi-level queue scheduling
- Multi-level feedback queue scheduling

Starvation

 Process cannot get the resources needed for a long time because the resources are being allocated to other processes

Aging

Add an aging factor to the priority of each request

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Data Consistency

Concurrent access to shared data may result in data inconsistency

 Maintaining data consistency requires a mechanism to ensure the orderly execution of cooperating processes

Example: Consumer & Producer Problem

 Producer process produces information that is consumed by a Consumer process, both operating on a fixed-size buffer

```
/* Producer */
                                           /* Consumer */
while (true) {
                                           while (true) {
                                                while (counter == 0);
    // produce an item in next produced.
    while (counter == BUFFER_SIZE);
                                                    // do nothing.
                                                next_consumed = buffer[out];
         // do nothing.
                                                out = (out + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;
    buffer[in] = next_produced;
    in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;
                                                counter--;
                                                // consume the item in next consumed.
    counter++;
```

Concurrent Operations on Counter

 The statement "counter++" may be implemented in machine language as

```
move R1, counter
add R1, 1
move counter, R1
```

The statement "counter--" may be implemented as

```
move R2, counter
sub R2, 1
move counter, R2
```

Instruction Interleaving

 Assume the counter is initially 5. One interleaving of statement is

producer: move R1, counter

→ R1 = 5

producer: add R1, 1

 \rightarrow R1 = 6

context switch

consumer: move R2, counter

 \rightarrow R2 = 5

consumer: sub R2, 1

 \rightarrow R2 = 4

context switch

producer: move counter, R1

 \rightarrow counter = 6

context switch

consumer: move counter, R2

→ counter = 4

Handling Competition among Processes

Critical Region

- A protocol for processes to cooperate
- A group of instructions that should be executed by only one process at a time

Mutual exclusion

 Requirement that only one process at a time be allowed to execute a critical region

Semaphore

- A tool to generalize the synchronization problem
 - Can be achieved by hardware or software solutions
- Hardware support: atomic instructions (uninterruptible)

```
bool TestAndSet (bool &lock) {
     bool value = lock;
                                   execute atomically:
     lock = true;
                                   return the value of "lock" and set "lock"
     return value;
                                   to true
shared data: bool lock; // initially lock = false
//P_0
                                          //P_1
do {
                                          do
     while (TestAndSet (lock));
                                               while (TestAndSet (lock));
     critical section
                                                critical section
     lock = false;
                                               lock = false;
     remainder section
                                               remainder section
} while (1);
                                          } while (1);
```

Deadlock

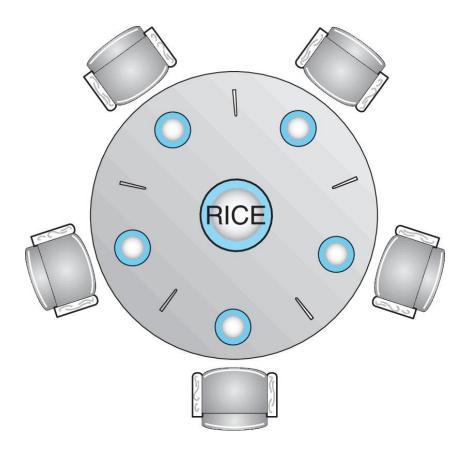
- Processes block each other from continuing because each is waiting for a resource that is allocated to another
- Example
 - 2 processes
 - P₁ holds resource B and waits for resource A
 - P₂ holds resource A and waits for resource B

Deadlock (cont.)

- Conditions required for deadlock
 - Competition for non-sharable resources (mutual exclusion)
 - Only one process at a time can use a resource
 - Resources requested on a partial basis (hold and wait)
 - A process holding some resources and is waiting for another resource
 - An allocated resource can not be forcibly retrieved (no preemption)
 - A resource can be only released by a process voluntarily
 - Circular wait
 - There exists a set $\{P_0, P_1, ..., P_n\}$ of waiting processes such that $P_0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow ... \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow P_0$

Deadlock (cont.)

• Dining-philosophers problem



Handling Deadlocks

- Ensure the system will never enter a deadlock state
 - Deadlock prevention: ensure that at least one of the four necessary conditions cannot hold
 - Deadlock avoidance: dynamically examines the resource-allocation state before allocation
- Allow to enter a deadlock state and then recover
 - Deadlock detection
 - Deadlock recovery
- Ignore the problem and pretend that deadlocks never occur in the system
 - Used by most operating systems, including UNIX

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Security

Goals

- Prevent error and misuse
- Resources are only allowed to be accessed by authorized processes

Attacks from outside

- Problems
 - Insecure passwords and bad habits
 - Sniffing software
 - Virus, worms, Trojan horses
- Counter measures
 - Auditing software (record and analyze activities)
 - Antivirus software

Security (cont.)

- Attacks from within
 - Problem
 - Process that gains access to memory outside its designated area
 - Counter measures
 - Control process activities via privilege levels and privileged instructions

Any Questions?