CS 3502
Operating Systems

Project Lab

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- Part 2: Create an entry in the /proc file system for user-level read and write (30’)
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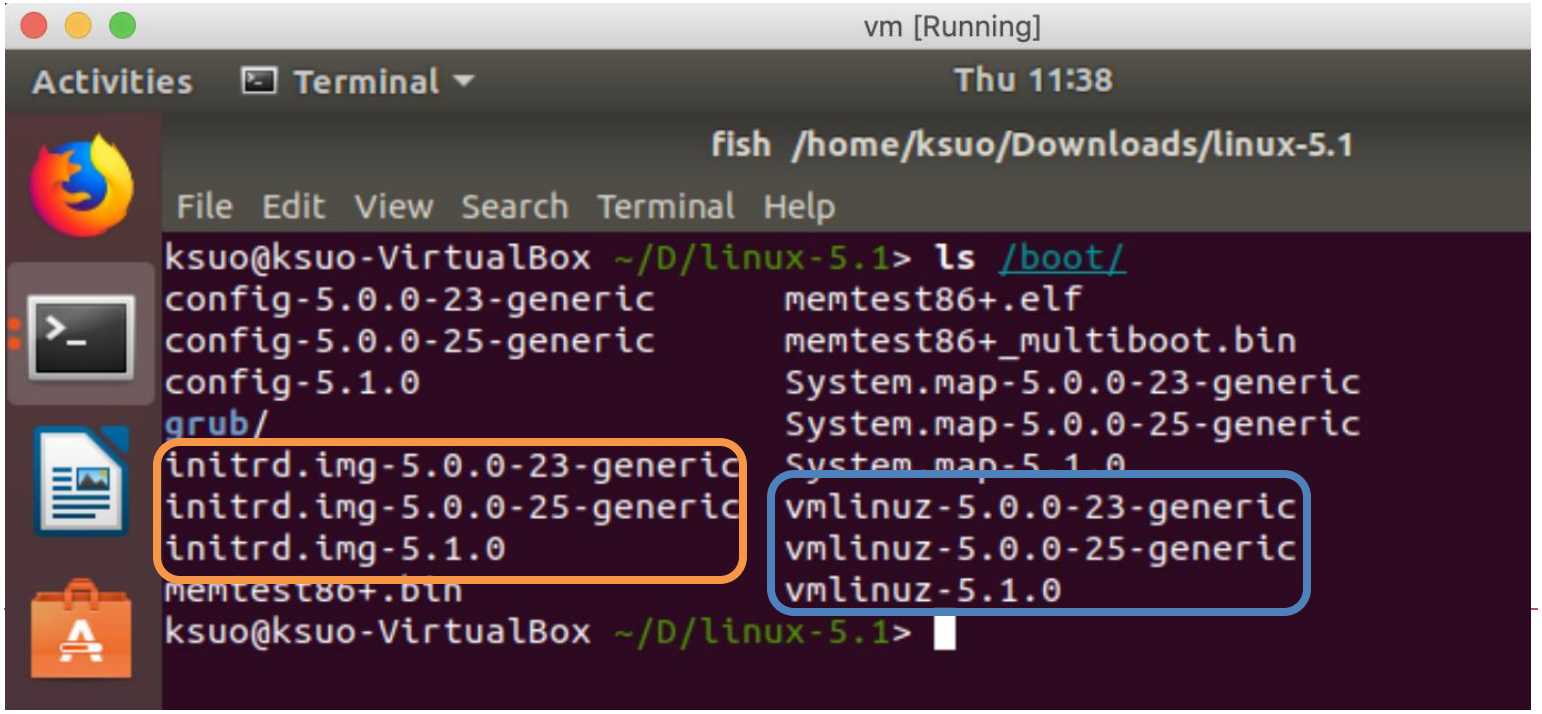

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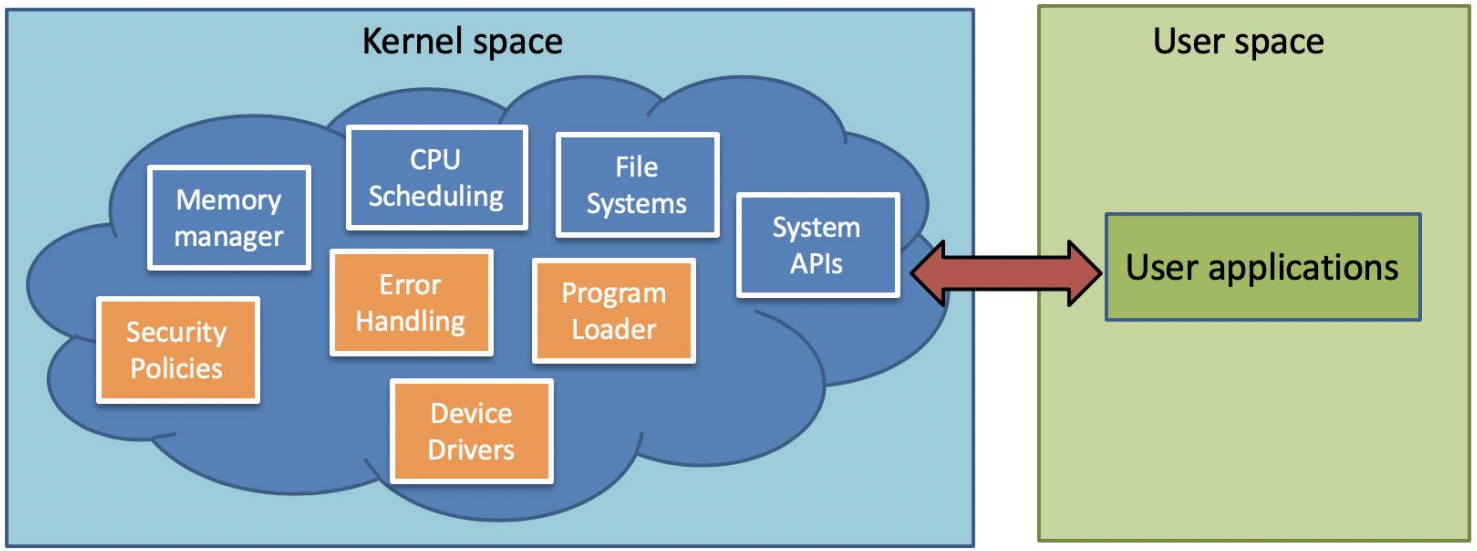

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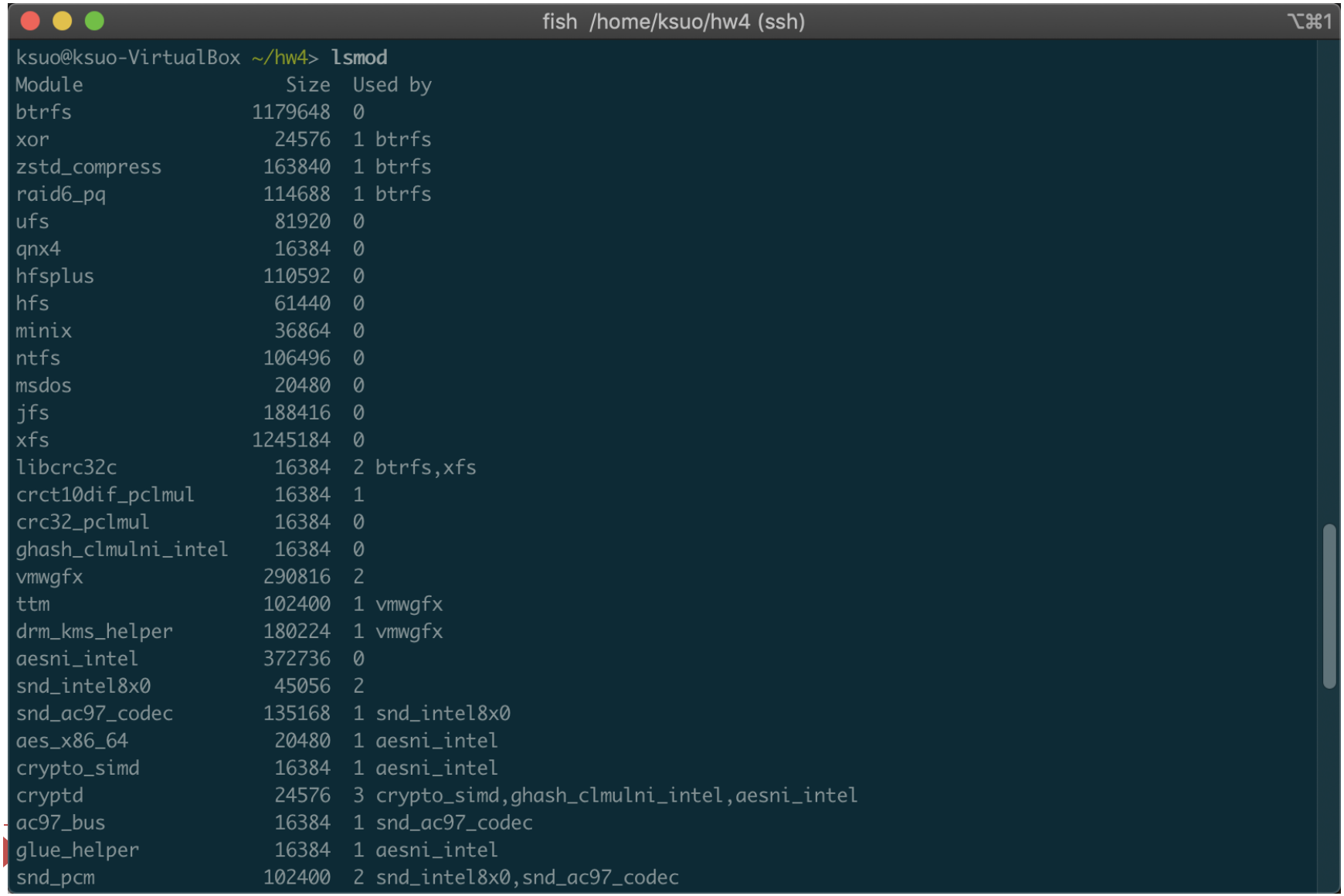


Build your module

https://github.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/blob/master/project-4-1.c

new_module.c

```
#include <linux/module.h>
#include <linux/kernel.h>


int init_new_module(void)
{
        printk(KERN_INFO "Hello, world!\n");
        return 0;

}

void exit_new_module(void) {
        printk(KERN_INFO "Goodbye, world!\n");
}

module_init(init_new_module);
module_exit(exit_new_module);
```

init_module is invoked when the module is loaded into the kernel

exit_module is called when the module is removed from the kernel

Compile your module

https://github.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/blob/master/project-4-1-Makefile

Makefile

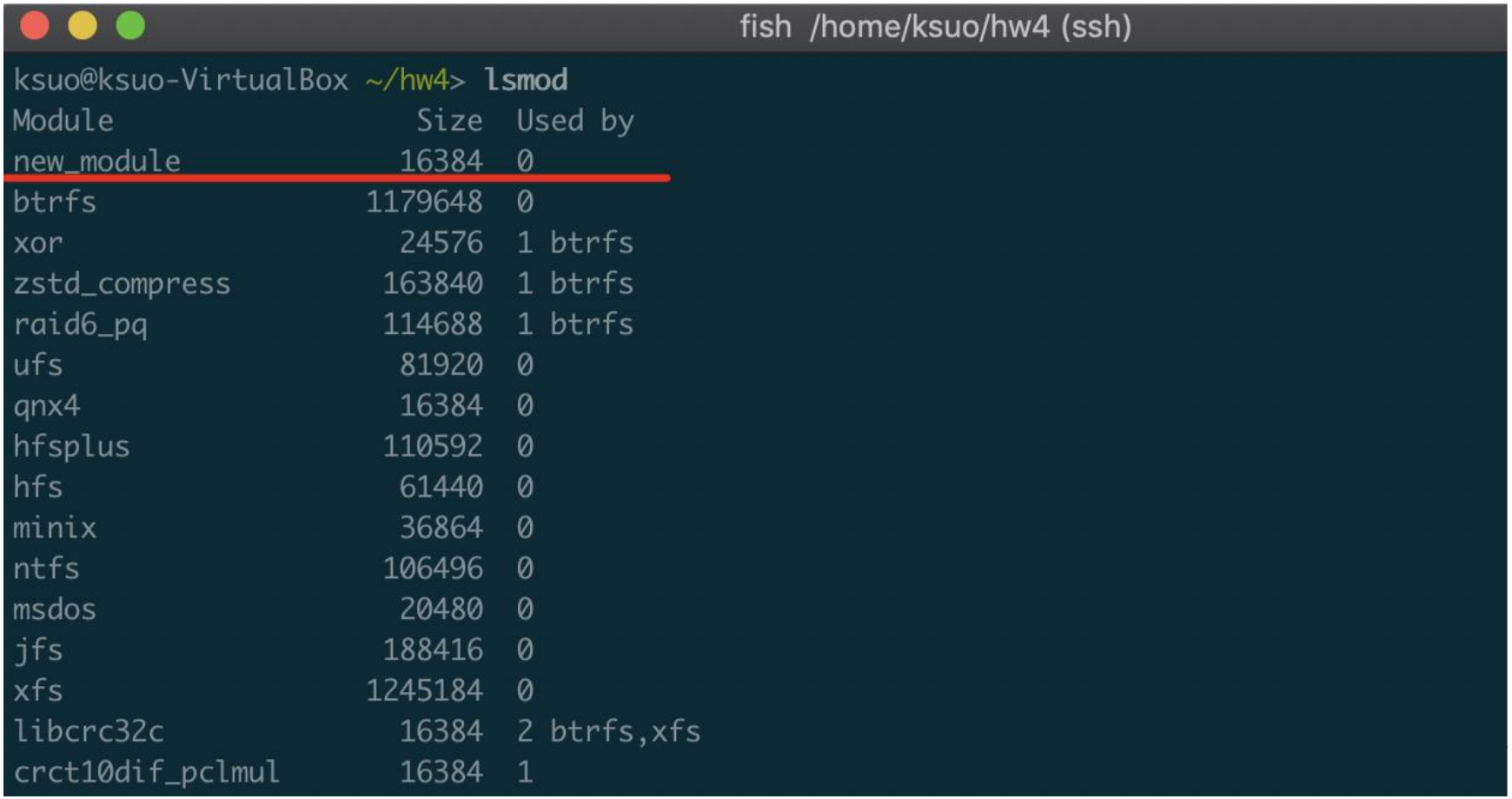
new_module.o is the output file

```
obj-m += new_module.o
all:
    sudo make -C /lib/modules/$(shell uname -r)/build M=$(PWD) modules
clean:
    sudo make -C /lib/modules/$(shell uname -r)/build M=$(PWD) clean
```

```
ksuo@ksuo-VirtualBox ~/hw4> make
sudo make -C /lib/modules/5.1.0/build M=/home/ksuo/hw4 modules
[sudo] password for ksuo:
make: Entering directory '/home/ksuo/linux-5.1-modified'
  Building modules, stage 2.
  MODPOST 1 modules
WARNING: modpost: missing MODULE_LICENSE() in /home/ksuo/hw4/new_module.o
see include/linux/module.h for more information
make: Leaving directory '/home/ksuo/linux-5.1-modified'
ksuo@ksuo-VirtualBox ~/hw4> ls
Makefile       Module.symvers  new_module.ko      new_module.mod.o
modules.order  new_module.c    new_module.mod.c   new_module.o
```

Insert the module into the Linux kernel

- sudo insmod new_module.ko



Remove the module from the kernel

- sudo rmmod new_module

Related codes

- ***new_module.c:***
  https://github.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/blob/master/project-4-1.c

- ***Makefile:***
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File System

OS

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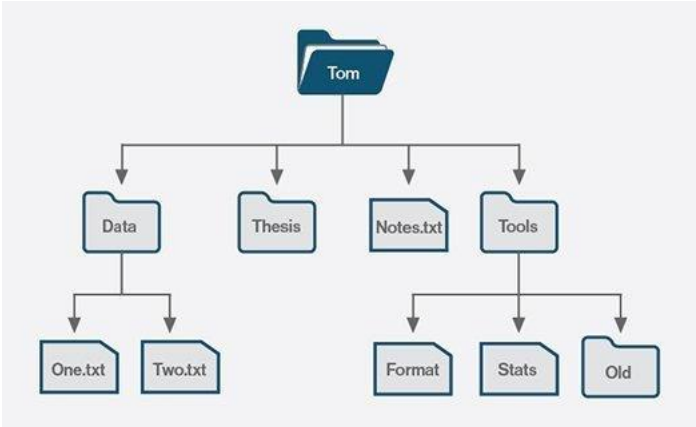
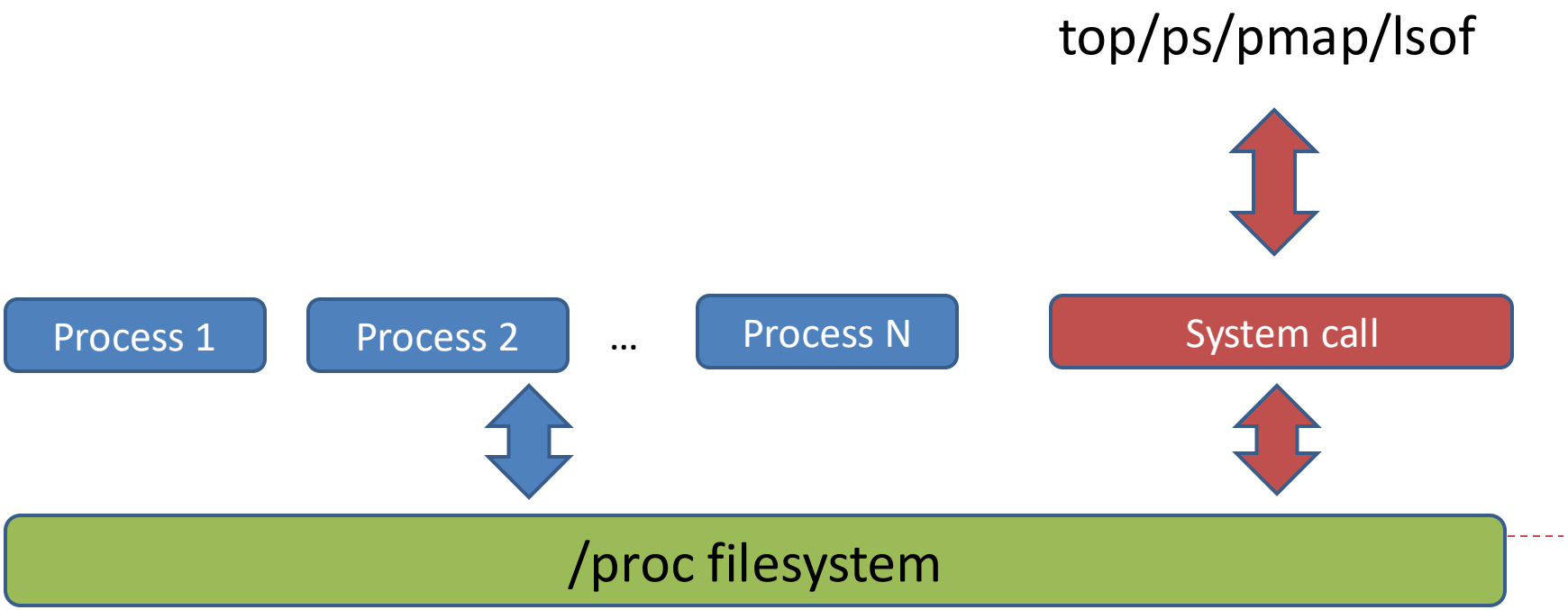


Proc File system

Virtual FS

Proc file system

- The proc filesystem (procfs) is a special filesystem in Unix-like OS that presents information about processes and other system information in a hierarchical file-like structure, providing a convenient and standardized method for dynamically accessing process data held in the kernel



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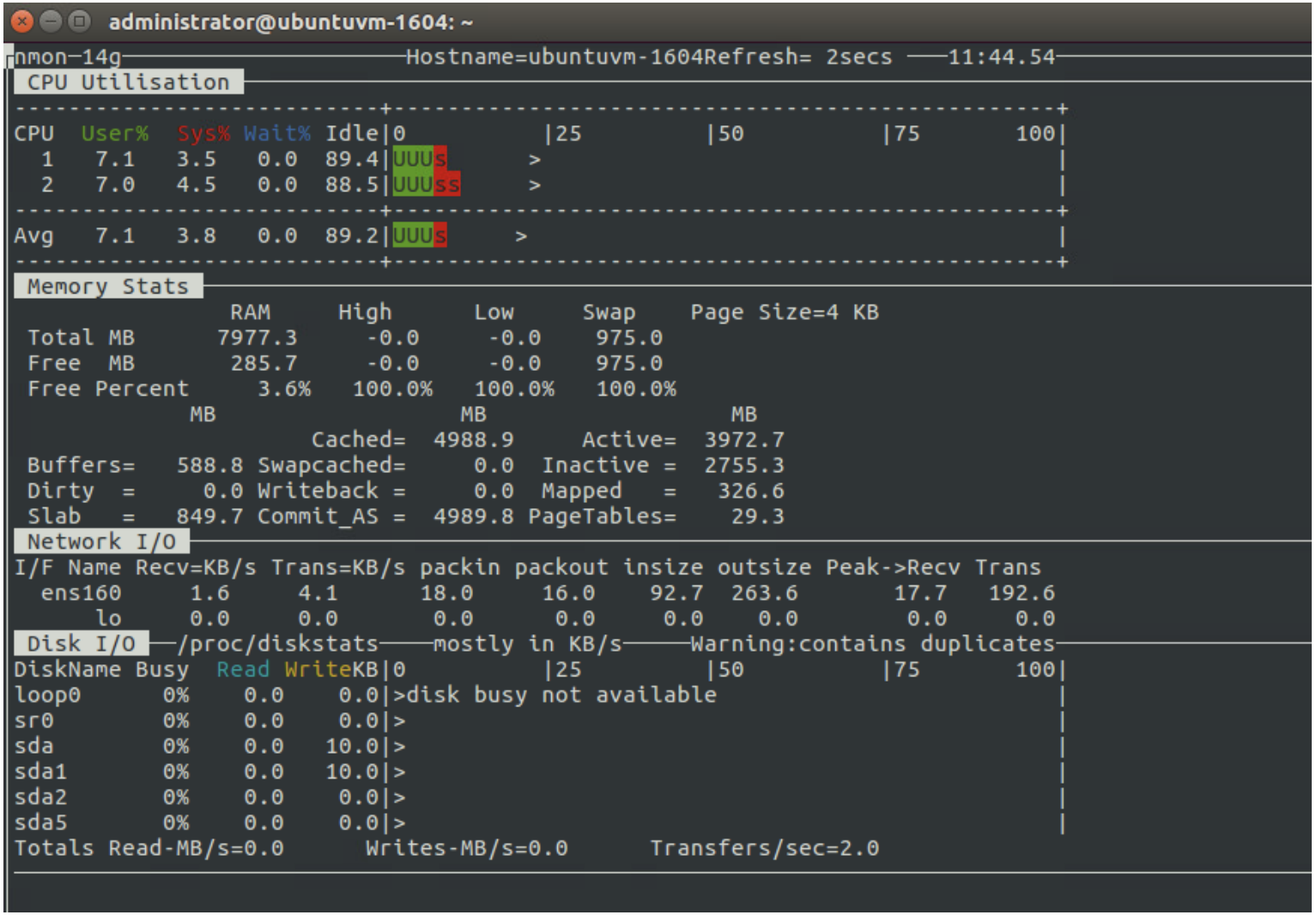
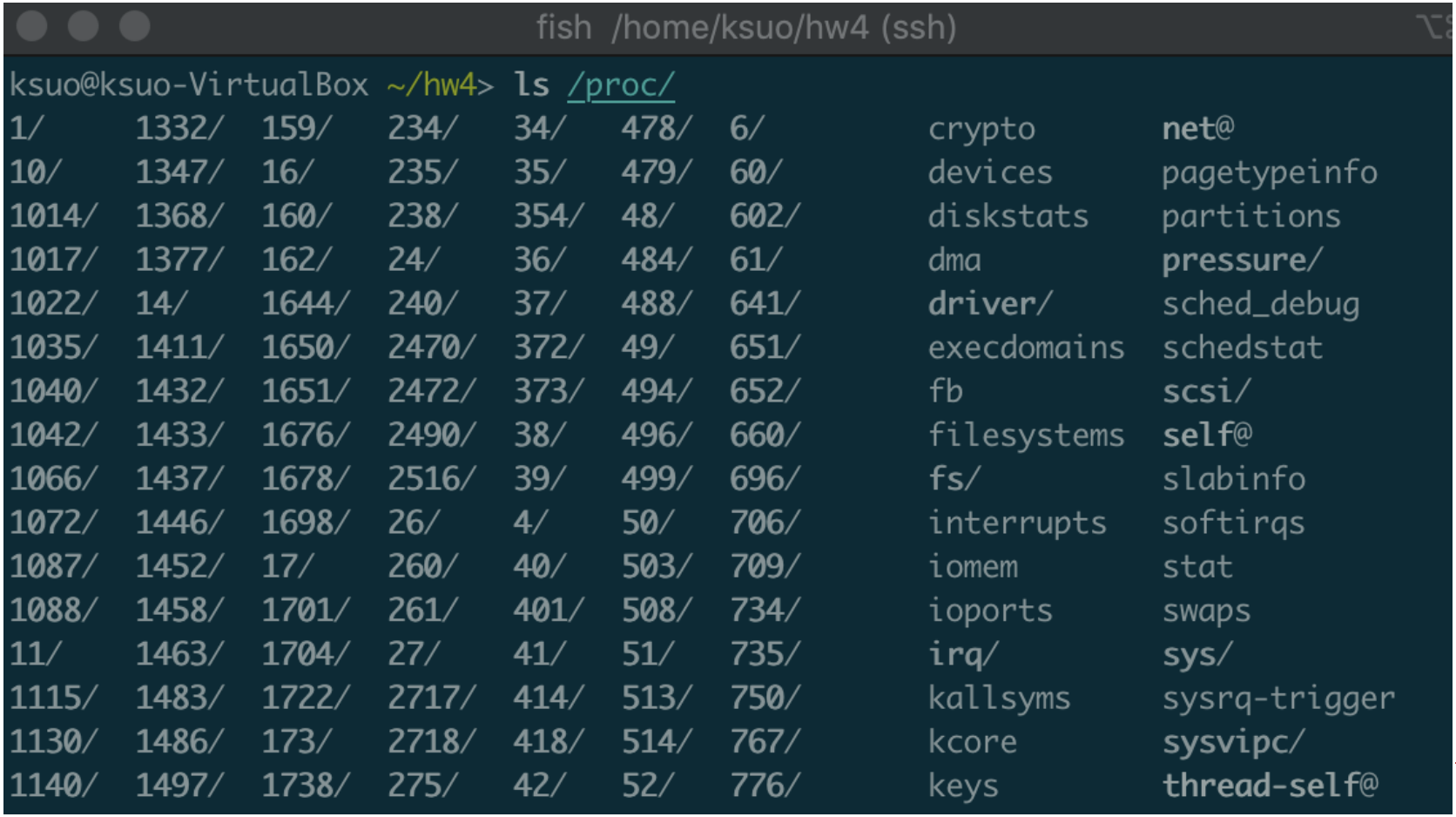


Proc file system

- ls /proc/



Proc file system

- /proc/cmdline – Kernel command line information.
- /proc/console – Information about current consoles including tty.
- /proc/devices – Device drivers currently configured for the running kernel.
- /proc/dma – Info about current DMA channels.
- /proc/fb – Framebuffer devices.
- /proc/filesystems – Current filesystems supported by the kernel.
- /proc/iomem – Current system memory map for devices.
- /proc/ioports – Registered port regions for input output communication with device.
- /proc/loadavg – System load average.
- /proc/locks – Files currently locked by kernel.
- /proc/meminfo – Info about system memory (see above example).
- /proc/misc – Miscellaneous drivers registered for miscellaneous major device.
- /proc/modules – Currently loaded kernel modules.
- /proc/mounts – List of all mounts in use by system.
- /proc/partitions – Detailed info about partitions available to the system.
- /proc/pci – Information about every PCI device.
- /proc/stat – Record or various statistics kept from last reboot.
- /proc/swap – Information about swap space.
- /proc/uptime – Uptime information (in seconds).
- /proc/version – Kernel version, gcc version, and Linux distribution installed.

Part 2: Create an entry in the /proc file system

- https://github.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/blob/master/project-4-2.c

```
int init_module( void )
{
        int ret = 0;
        //create the entry and allocated memory space for the proc entry

        printk(KERN_INFO "test_proc created.\n");

        return ret;
}


void cleanup_module( void )
{
        //remove the proc entry and free info space

        printk(KERN_INFO "test_proc deleted.\n");
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Renamed as "myproc.c"

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        return ret;
}
```

Google search "proc_create"

```
void cleanup_module( void )
{
        //remove the proc entry and free info space

        printk(KERN_INFO "test_proc deleted.\n");
}
```

Google search "remove_proc_entry"

Part 2: after you insert your module, check whether it exists under /proc

```
ksuo@ksuo-VirtualBox ~/hw4-2> ls /proc/
1/     1283/  1471/  23/   39/   497/  683/       diskstats    pagetypeinfo
10/    1284/  15/    24/   4/    50/   686/       dma          partitions
11/    1285/  1502/  249/  40/   500/  7/         driver/      pressure/
1114/  1287/  1504/  250/  41/   502/  702/        execdomains  sched_debug
1119/  1288/  1522/  251/  42/   503/  748/        fb           schedstat
1124/  1295/  154/   254/  423/  506/  8/          filesystems  scsi/
1137/  13/    155/   26/   43/   509/  803/        fs/          self@
1142/  1303/  156/   27/   438/  52/   804/        interrupts   slabinfo
1144/  1304/  157/   275/  44/   523/  817/        iomem        softirqs
1168/  1314/  158/   276/  440/  53/   821/        ioports      stat
1174/  1315/  159/   28/   449/  532/  823/        irq/         swaps
1189/  1321/  1598/  282/  45/   533/  891/        kallsyms     sys/
1190/  1323/  16/    29/   453/  534/  9/          kcore        sysrq-trigger
12/    1325/  161/   292/  454/  537/  905/        keys         sysvipc/
1205/  1327/  162/   3/    455/  54/   912/        key-users    thread-self@
1209/  1331/  1684/  30/   457/  56/   931/        kmsg         timer_list
1210/  1332/  1685/  32/   46/   571/  950/        kpagecgroup  tty/
1212/  1337/  1695/  321/  47/   572/  954/        kpagecount   uptime
1218/  1338/  17/    33/   48/   59/   975/        kpageflags   version
1229/  1372/  173/   331/  482/  6/    acpi/       loadavg      vmallocinfo
1233/  1383/  1763/  335/  484/  60/   asound/     locks        vmstat
1241/  1384/  18/    336/  485/  606/  buddyinfo   mdstat       zoneinfo
1245/  14/    19/    34/   489/  607/  bus/        meminfo
1252/  1412/  192/   35/   49/   608/  cgroups     misc
1261/  1415/  193/   36/   490/  61/   cmdline     modules
1266/  1439/  2/     360/  491/  614/  consoles    mounts@
1271/  1442/  20/    37/   493/  634/  cpuinfo     mt
1275/  1446/  21/    38/   494/  659/  crypto      myproc
1279/  1460/  22/    384/  496/  677/  devices     net@
```

Here my module is named as "myproc"

Part 2: after you remove your module, check whether it exists under /proc

- When your module is removed, it should disappear from the /proc

```
ksuo@ksuo-VirtualBox ~/hw4-2> sudo rmmod my_proc
fish: “sudo rmmod my_proc” terminated by signal SIGKILL (Forced quit)
ksuo@ksuo-VirtualBox ~/hw4-2> ls /proc/
1/     1229/  1314/  1460/  17/    275/  38/   47/   52/   634/  950/         fs/           mounts@       tty/
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```
ssize_t read_proc(struct file *f, char *user_buf, size_t count, loff_t *off )
{
        //output the content of info to user's buffer pointed by page
        printk(KERN_INFO "procfs_read: read %lu bytes\n", count);
        return count;
}


ssize_t write_proc(struct file *f, const char *user_buf, size_t count, loff_t *off)
{
        //copy the written data from user space and save it in info
        printk(KERN_INFO "procfs_write: write %lu bytes\n", count);
        return count;
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Read data to user space from your proc file memory
Google search “copy_to_user”

Write data from user space to your proc file memory
Google search “copy_from_user”

Allocate memory space for your proc file

Release memory space from your proc file

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- Use the following to test the read or write on the entry of proc file system
  - # echo to write data into your proc entry
  - # cat command to read data from your proc entry

```
root@ksuo-VirtualBox /h/k/hw4-2# echo 12345 > /proc/myproc
root@ksuo-VirtualBox /h/k/hw4-2# cat /proc/myproc
12345
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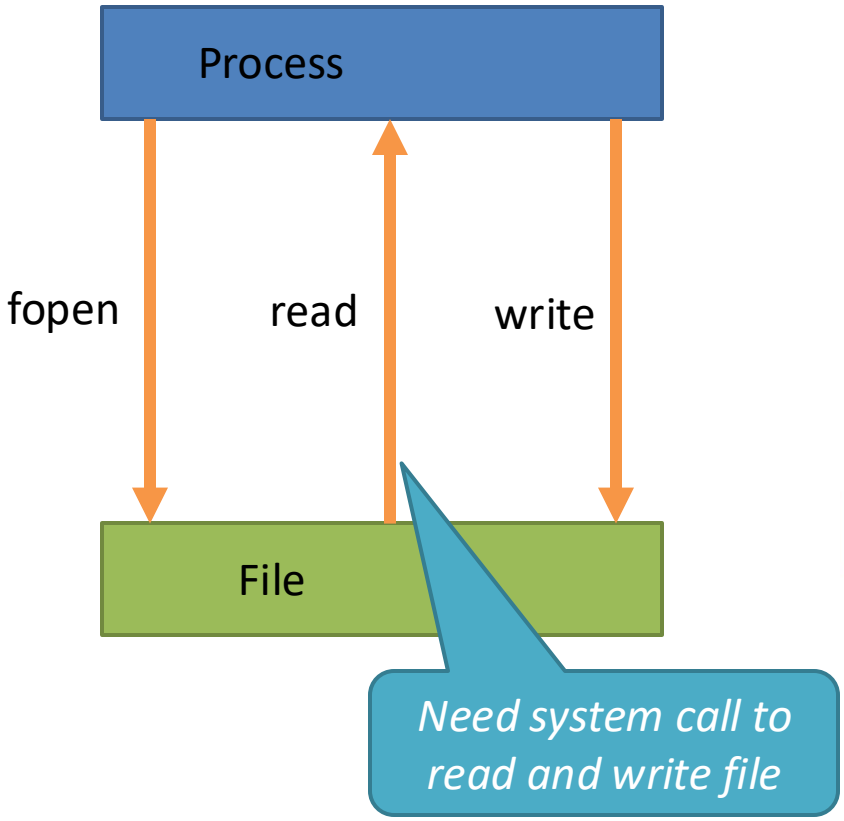


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/* Close the files */
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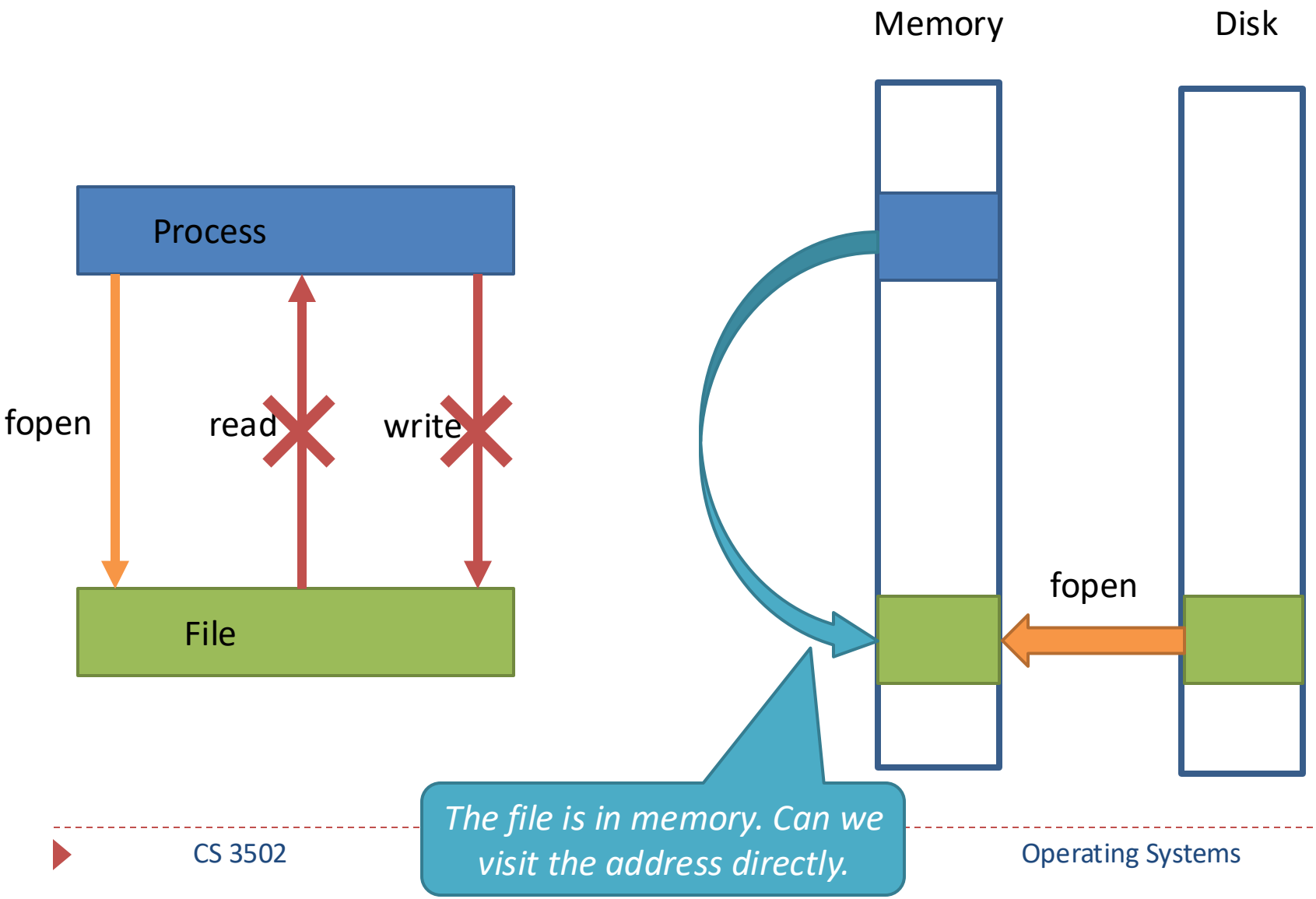
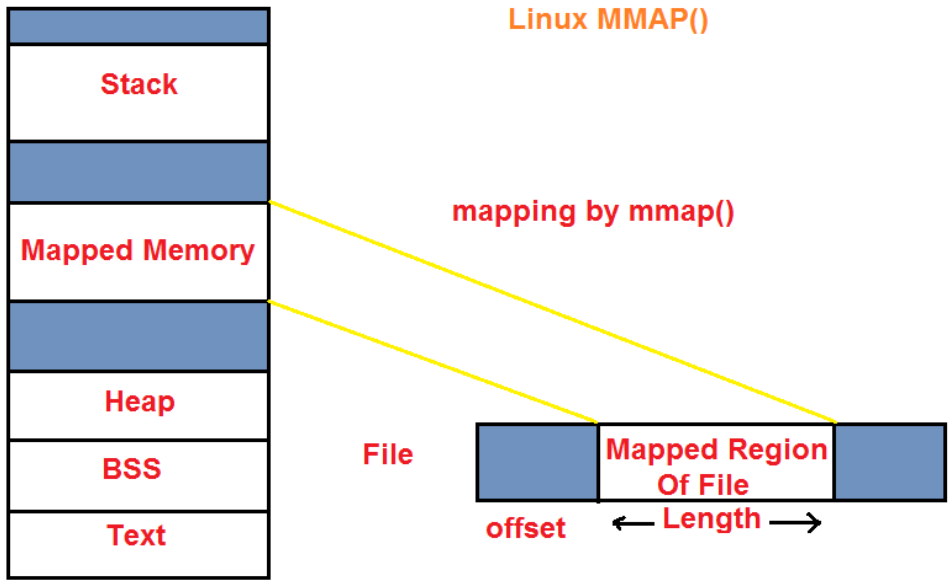


Memory-mapped Files

- OS provide a way (map and unmap) to map files into the address space of a running process
  - No read or write system calls are needed thereafter
- Advantages
  - Improved I/O performance and avoidance of kernel to user data copying



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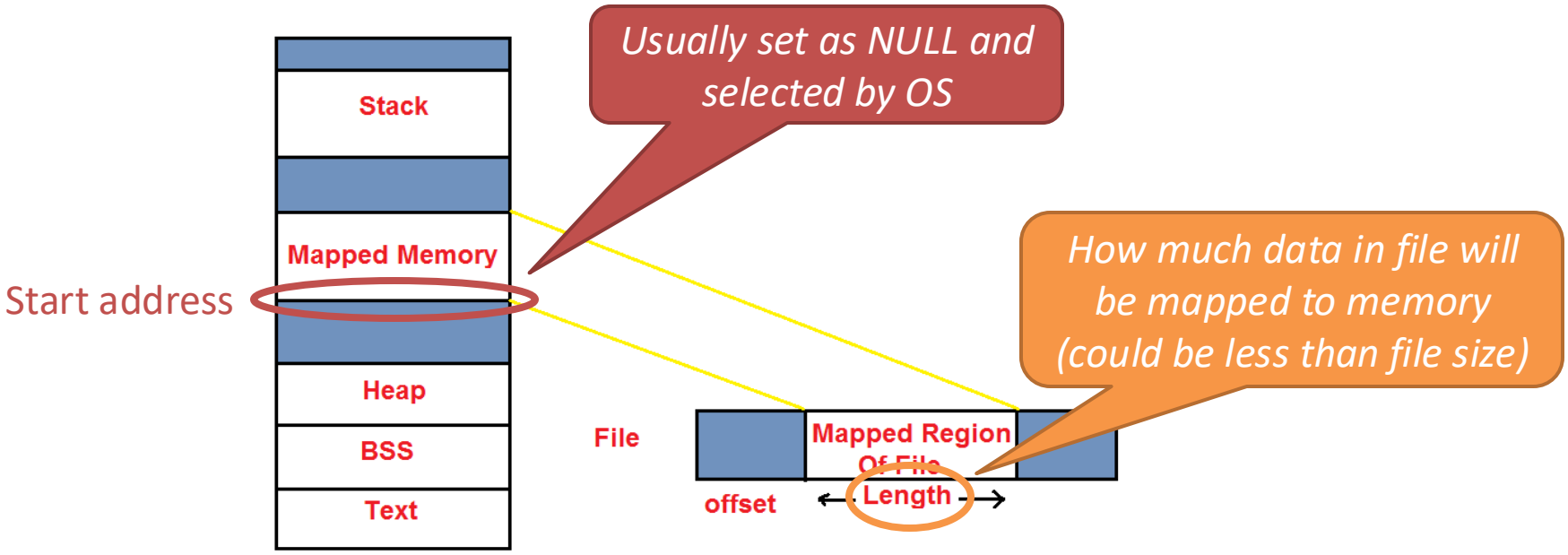

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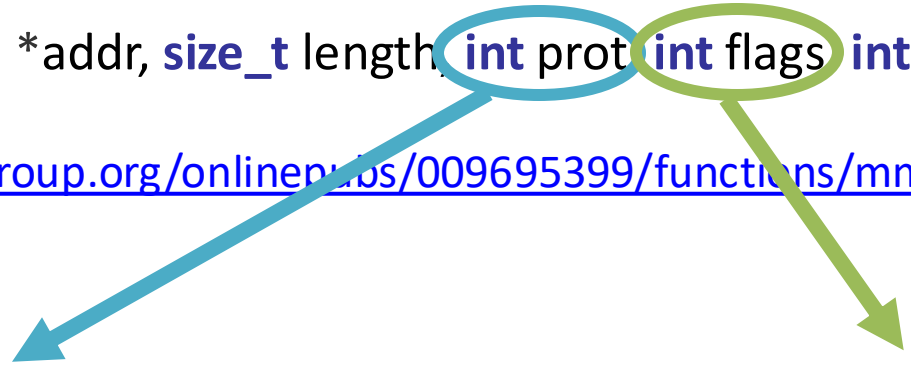

Symbolic Constant	Description
PROT_READ	Data can be read.
PROT_WRITE	Data can be written.
PROT_EXEC	Data can be executed.
PROT_NONE	Data cannot be accessed.

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MAP_SHARED	Changes are shared.
MAP_PRIVATE	Changes are private.
MAP_FIXED	Interpret *addr* exactly.

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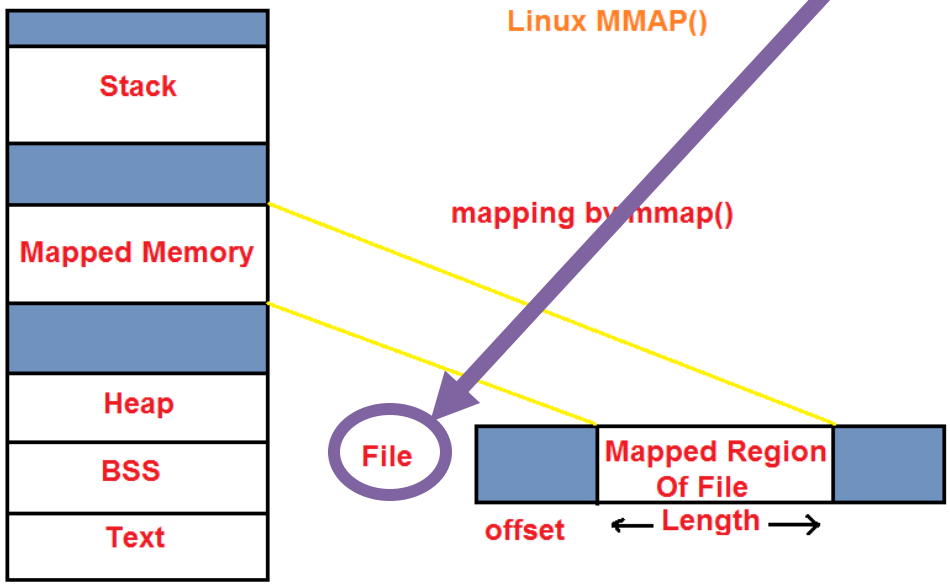


Memory-mapped File Example

```c
#include <sys/mman.h> /* for mmap and munmap */
#include <sys/types.h> /* for open */
#include <sys/stat.h> /* for open */
#include <fcntl.h> /* for open */
#include <unistd.h> /* for lseek and write */
#include <stdio.h>

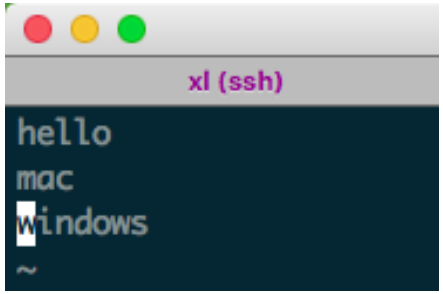
int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
        int fd;
        char *mapped_mem, * p;
        int flength = 1024;
        void * start_addr = 0;

        fd = open(argv[1], O_RDWR | O_CREAT, S_IRUSR | S_IWUSR);
        flength = lseek(fd, 1, SEEK_END);
        lseek(fd, 0, SEEK_SET);

        mapped_mem = mmap(start_addr, flength, PROT_READ, MAP_PRIVATE, fd, 0);

        printf("%s\n", mapped_mem);
        close(fd);
        munmap(mapped_mem, flength);
        return 0;
}
```

text.txt



Return the mapped memory address

Allow read

Set private, do not allow other process to read

Print out the data in the memory

0: beginning of the file
1024: mapped memory size

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        lseek(fd, 0, SEEK_SET);

        mapped_mem = mmap(start_addr, flength, PROT_READ, MAP_PRIVATE, fd, 0);

        printf("%s\n", mapped_mem);
        close(fd);
        munmap(mapped_mem, flength);
        return 0;
}
```

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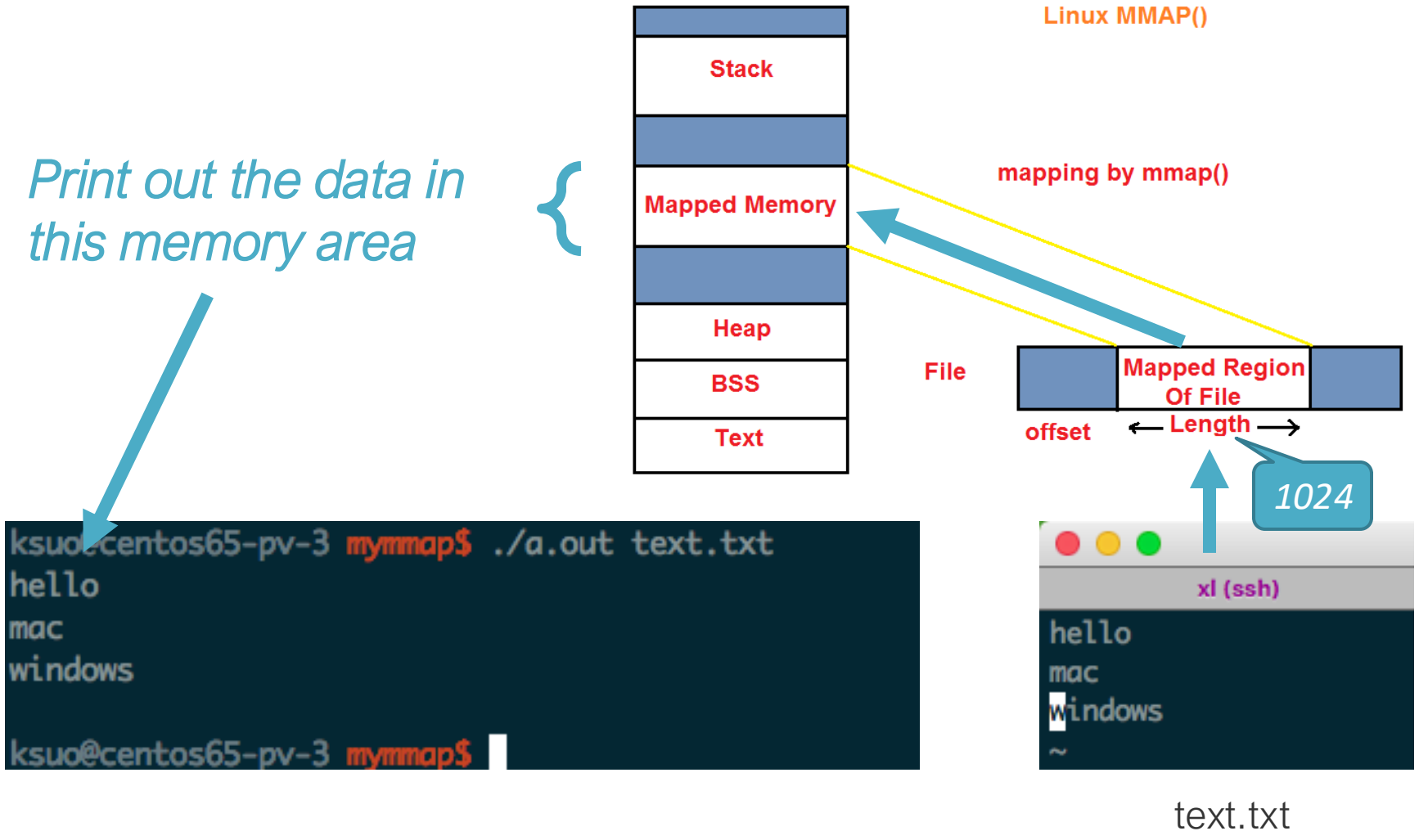

Comparison of regular file and memory-mapped file

```
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/* Copy loop */
while (TRUE) {
      rd_count = read(in_fd, buffer, BUF_SIZE); /* read a block of data */
if (rd_count <= 0) break;           /* if end of file or error, exit loop */
      wt_count = write(out_fd, buffer, rd_count); /* write data */
      if (wt_count <= 0) exit(4);   /* wt_count <= 0 is an error */
}

/* Close the files */
close(in_fd);
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if (rd_count == 0)                  /* no error on last read */
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else
      exit(5);                      /* error on last read */
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{
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        int flength = 1024;
        void * start_addr = 0;

        fd = open(argv[1], O_RDWR | O_CREAT, S_IRUSR | S_IWUSR);
        flength = lseek(fd, 1, SEEK_END);
        lseek(fd, 0, SEEK_SET);

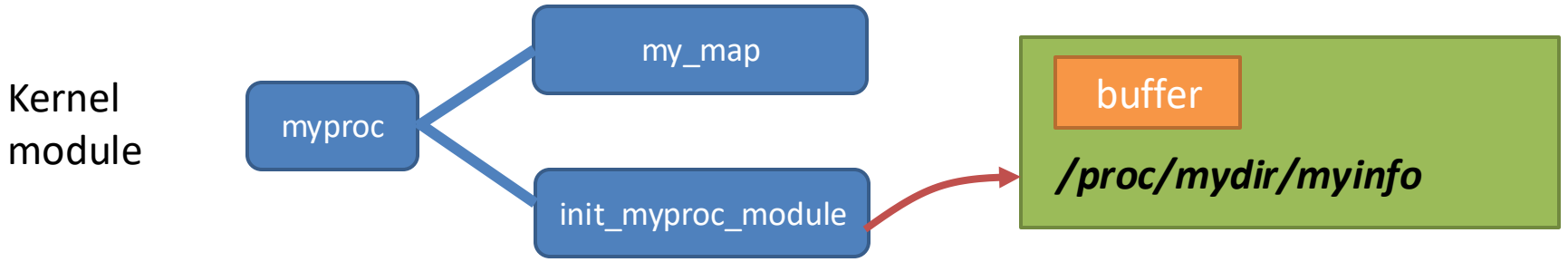
        mapped_mem = mmap(start_addr, flength, PROT_READ, MAP_PRIVATE, fd, 0);

        printf("%s\n", mapped_mem);
        close(fd);
        munmap(mapped_mem, flength);
        return 0;
}
```

Part 3: Exchange data between the user and kernel space via mmap

- https://github.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/blob/master/project-4-3-1.c

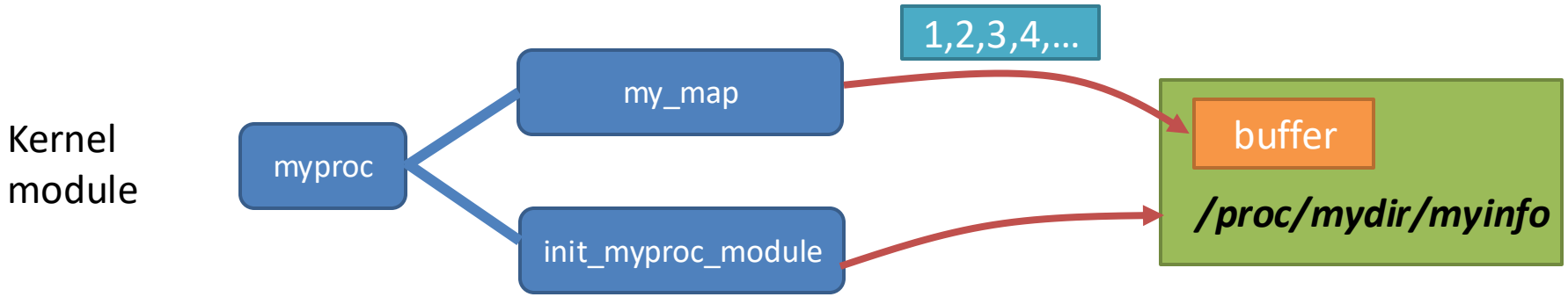
- The above code will create an entry ***/proc/mydir/myinfo*** under the proc file system and allocate a buffer under this entry



Part 3: Exchange data between the user and kernel space via mmap

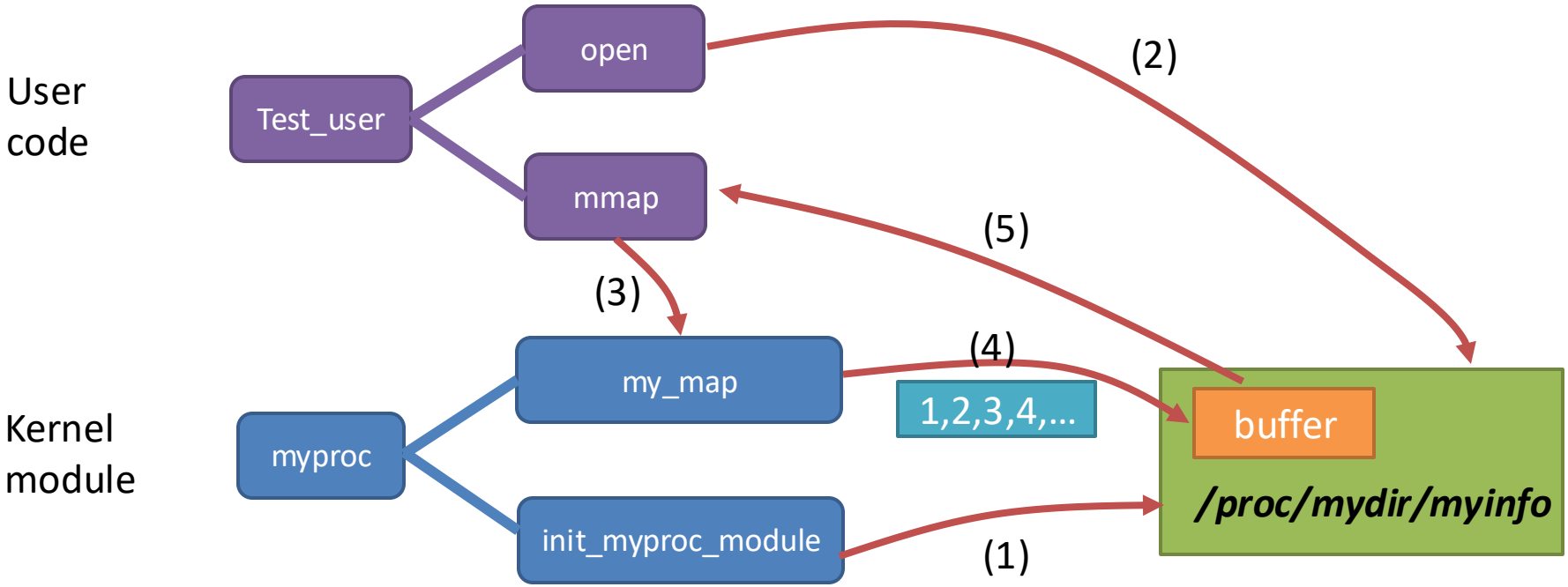
- You are required to implement the ***my_map*** function to map one piece of memory (***char array[12]***) into user space.

```
static unsigned char array[12]={0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11};
```



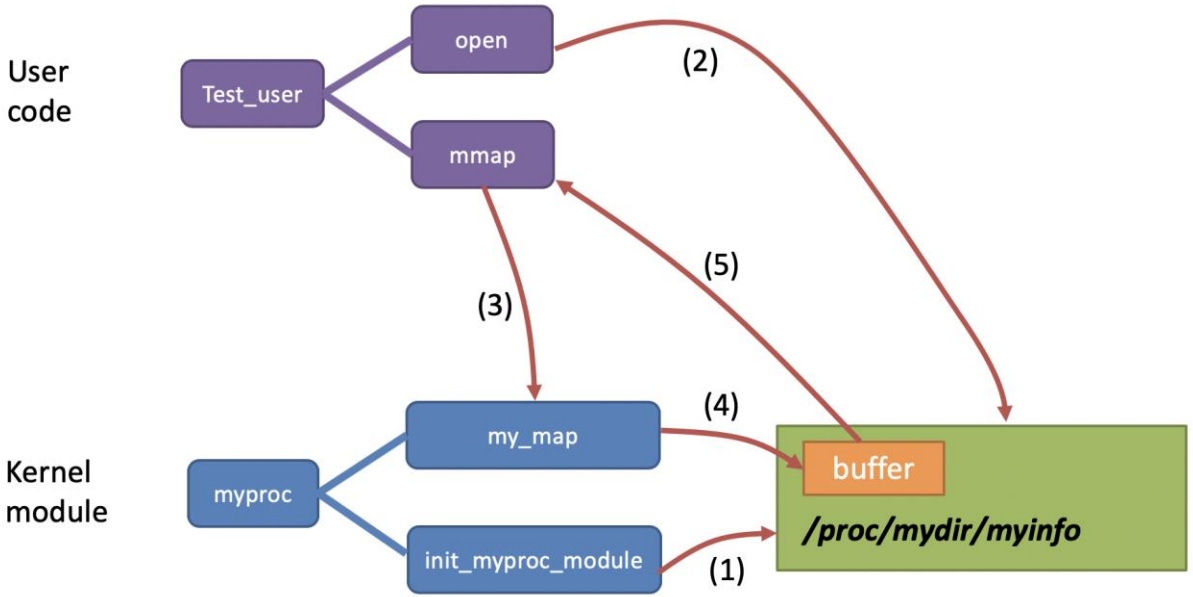
Part 3: Exchange data between the user and kernel space via mmap

- You are required to write a user space program using mmap to visit the memory space of the proc file and print the data in that memory area.
- https://github.com/kevinsuo/CS3502/blob/master/project-4-3-2.c



Part 3: Exchange data between the user and kernel space via mmap

1. Kernel module create a proc file: ***/proc/mydir/myinfo***
2. User process open the created proc file
3. User process calls mmap function, which further executed my_map defined in the kernel
4. my_map() then maps one piece of memory into user space (e.g., buffer) and puts some data inside
5. User process visits this piece of memory and prints the data out.



Conclusion

- Part 1: Create a helloworld kernel module (20’)
- Part 2: Create an entry in the /proc file system for user level read and write (30’)
- Part 3: Exchange data between the user and kernel space via mmap (50’)