

Operating Systems

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Lecture 2 - Multi-Programming
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CPU & an Interrupt

Threads and Context switch

Definition

- Multi-Programing is an ability to run several threads in a (pseudo) parallel manner

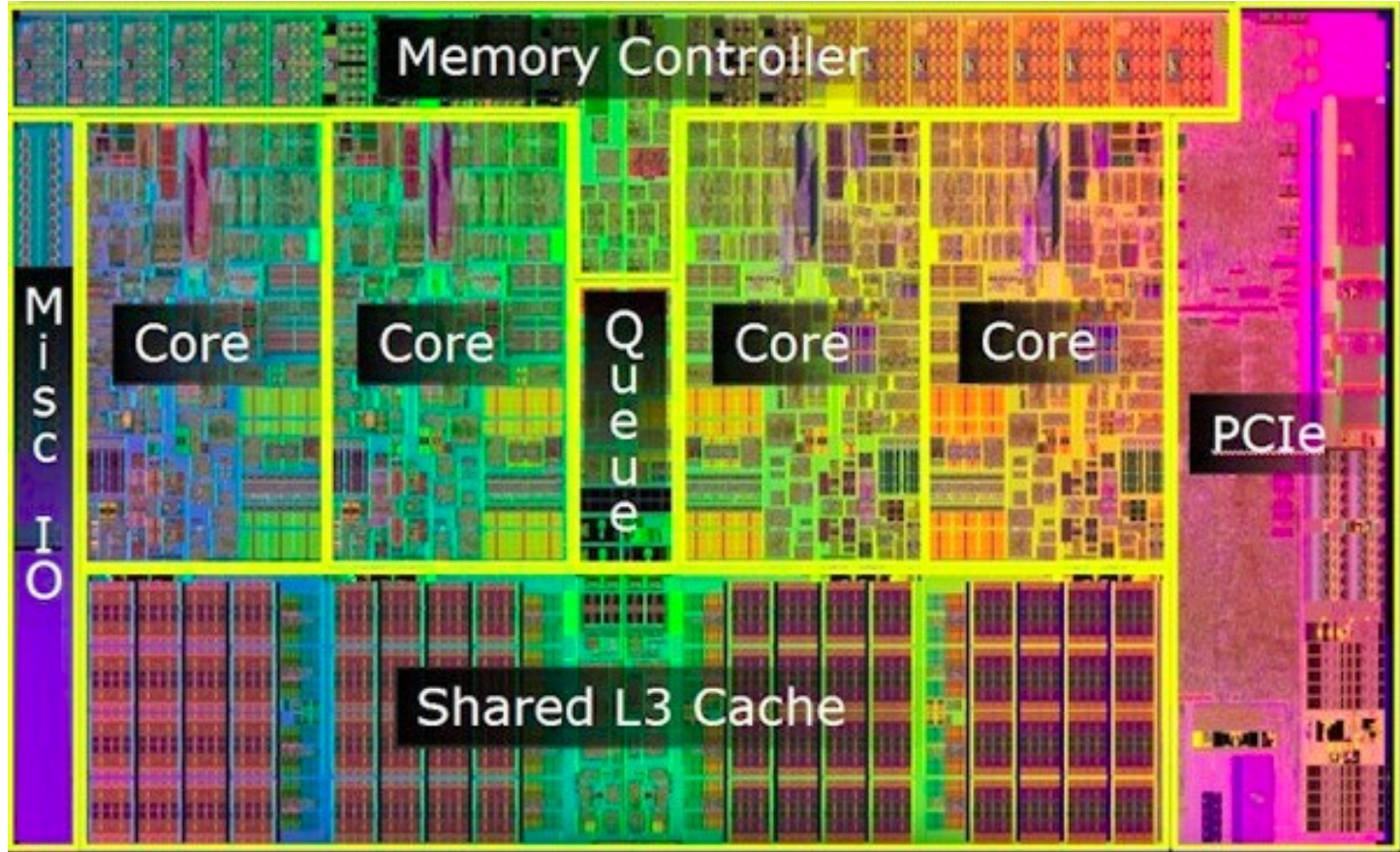
Why is this ?

- Why should we do multi-programming, and not concentrate on the main task ?
- Because we can :) CPU is faster than a human
- Business demand: Web server want to serv as much as possible
- User demand: we want youtube +word + chmore, and some email notofications too

How can we do it ?

- The way for multi-programming – Context Switch.
- Context switch it's a way to jungle between processes,by doing the next:
 - Say to CPU to stop running the task and mark the task as stopped
 - Save PC, SP, FP and other registers for the task
 - Load PC, SP, FP and other registers from the newcoming task
 - Optionally, flash the translation lookaside buffer (TLB) on memory managment unit (MMU) and/or update caches
 - Update the new task as being running
 - Start executing new process by saying

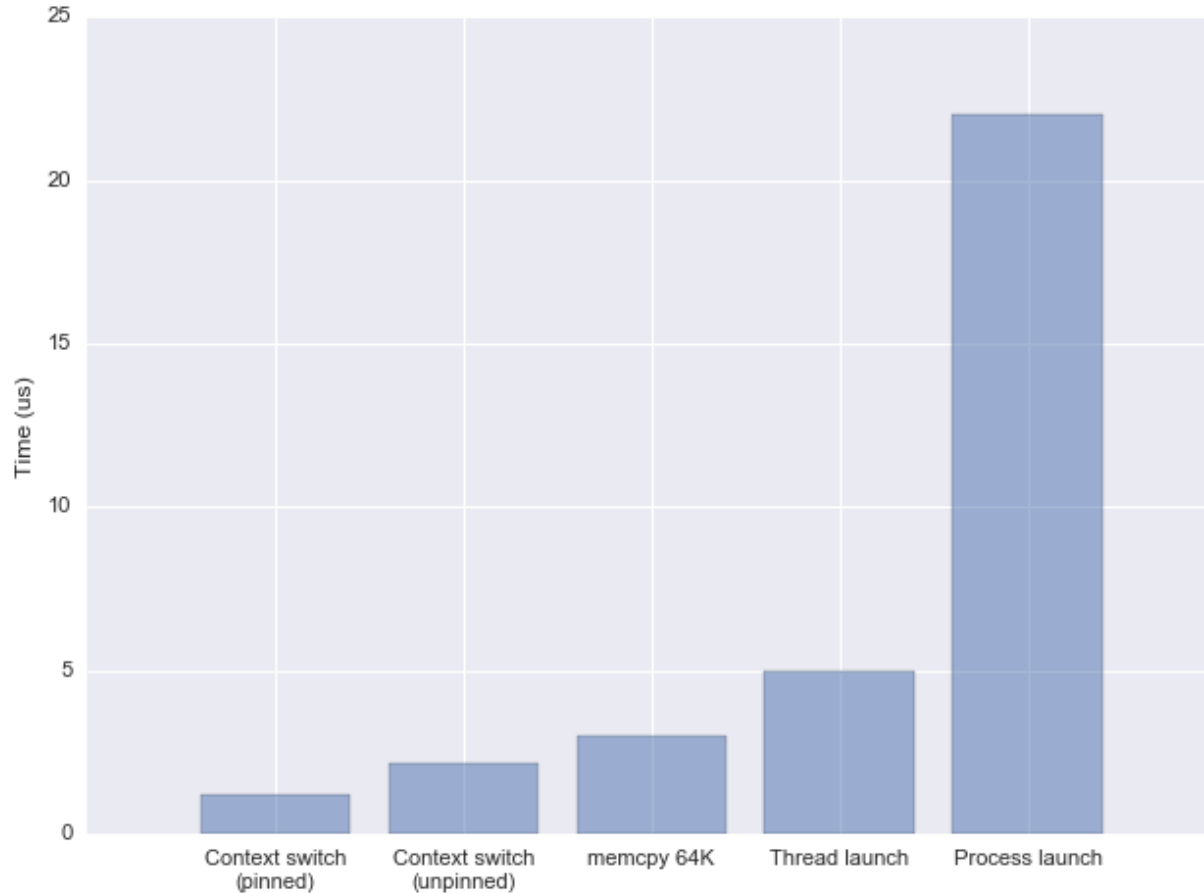
CPU structure and HyperThreading



<https://arstechnica.com/gadgets/2009/09/intel-launches-all-new-pc-architecture-with-core-i5i7-cpus/>

Intel i7/i5 - 2009

A note about times

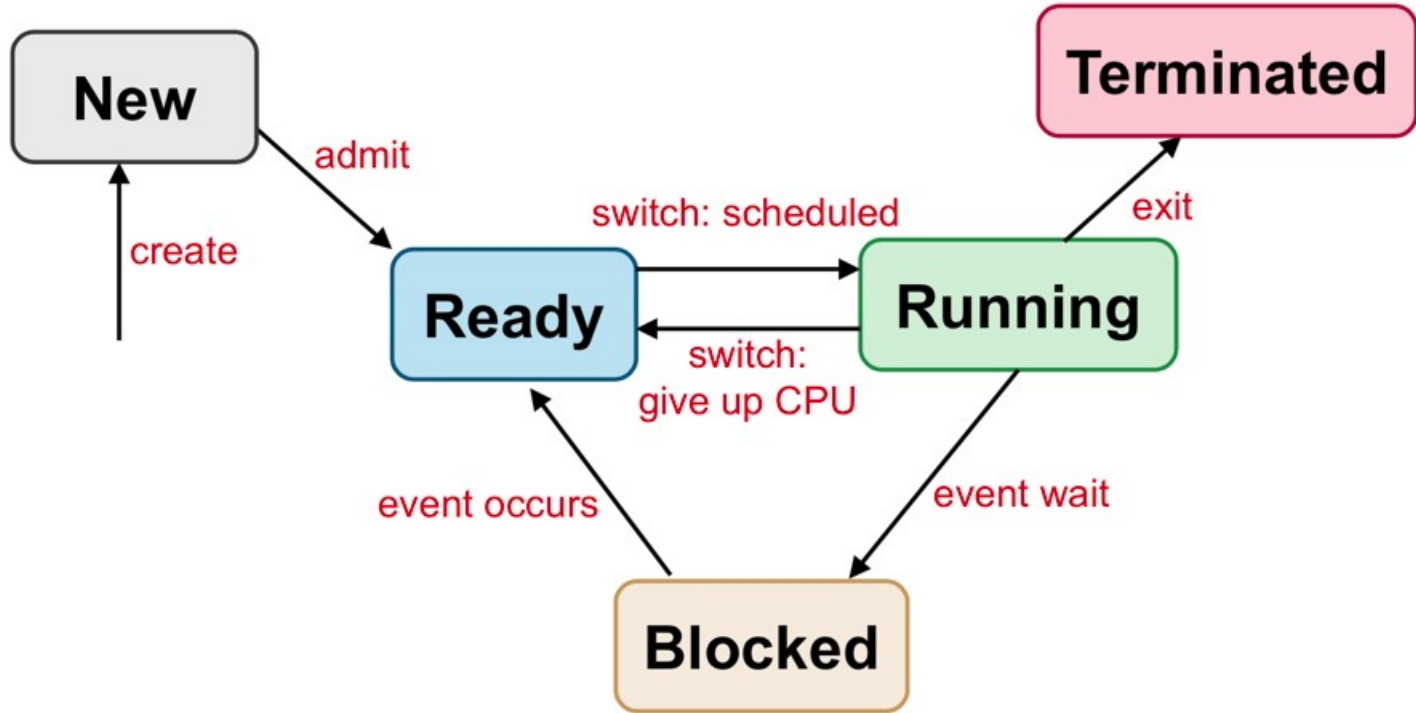


State Diagram

State (unix)

- 1. Running (actually using the CPU at that instant).
- 2. Ready (runnable; temporarily stopped to let another process run).
- 3. Blocked (unable to run until some external event happens).

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<https://cs.stackexchange.com/questions/104463/appreciation-of-the-5-state-process-model>

The need for a Process

Process as a structure

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- Thread(s)
- Page table
- Stack (for each thread) + heap
- Code
- Signals settings & handler
- File descriptors
- Meta: PID,PPID,Permissions

Application types

- Interactive (foreground)
vs
Non – Interactive (background)
- Real – Time
vs
Batch-processing