Sistemas Operativos

The evolution of Operating Systems



Operating System

What is an Operating System?

- A **program** that acts as an **intermediary** between a
 - user of a computer
 - the computer hardware
- Operating system **goals**:
 - Execute user programs
 - make solving user problems easier
 - Make the computer system convenient to use
 - Use the computer hardware in an efficient manner



Computer System Structure

- Computer system can be divided into four components:
 - Hardware provides basic computing resources
 - CPU, memory, I/O devices
 - Operating system
 - Controls and coordinates use of hardware among various applications and users
 - Application programs define the ways in which the system resources are used to solve the computing problems of the users
 - Word processors, compilers, web browsers, database systems, video games
 - Users
 - People, machines, other computers

Why study operating systems?

- Small % of computer scientists will be involved in
 - creation or modification of operating systems

BUT

- Knowing OS is crucial for **programmers**
 - o efficiency, security, effectiveness
- Great opportunity for new OS and applications

Where OS run?

- Term OS covers many roles
 - Because of **myriad designs** and uses of OSes

The Internet of Things

Example

Web Programming

POSWEB Middleware

Native API (C)

Native OS

Simulator

Example

Computer System Environments

Computing Environments

- 1. Traditional
- 2. Mobile
- 3. Client Server
- 4. Peer-to-Peer
- 5. Cloud computing
- 6. Real-time Embedded

Traditional

- Stand-alone general-purpose machines
- But blurred as most systems interconnect with others (i.e., the Internet)
- Portals provide web access to internal systems
- Network computers (thin clients) are like Web terminals
- Mobile computers interconnect via wireless networks
- Networking becoming ubiquitous even home systems use firewalls to protect home computers from Internet attacks

Mobile

- Handheld smartphones, tablets, etc.
- Difference with "traditional"
 - Extra feature more OS features (GPS, gyroscope)
- Allows new types of apps like augmented reality
- Use IEEE 802.11 wireless, or cellular data networks for connectivity
- Leaders are Apple iOS and Google Android

Client Server

- Client-Server Computing
 - Dumb terminals supplanted by smart PCs
 - Servers responding to requests generated by clients
 - Compute-server system: interface to request services (i.e., database)
 - File-server system: interface to store and retrieve files

Peer-to-Peer

- Another model of **distributed** system
- P2P does not distinguish clients and servers
 - Instead all nodes are considered peers
 - May each act as client, server or both
 - Node must join P2P network
 - Registers with central lookup service
 - Broadcast request for service (discovery protocol)
 - Examples: Napster, Gnutella, Kazaa, Voice
 over IP (VoIP)

Cloud Computing

- Delivers computing, storage, even apps as a service across a network
- Logical extension of virtualization because it uses virtualization as the base for it functionality.
 - Amazon **EC2** has thousands of servers, millions of virtual machines, petabytes of storage available across the Internet, pay based on usage

Cloud Computing (Cont.)

- Many types
 - Public cloud available via Internet to anyone willing to pay
 - **Private cloud** run by a company for the company's own use
 - **Hybrid cloud** includes both public and private cloud components
 - Software as a Service (**SaaS**) one or more applications available via the Internet (i.e., word processor)
 - Platform as a Service (**PaaS**) software stack ready for application use via the Internet (i.e., a database server)
 - Infrastructure as a Service (laaS) servers or storage available over Internet (i.e., storage available for backup use)

Cloud Computing (cont.)

- Cloud computing environments composed of traditional OSes, plus VMMs, plus cloud management tools
 - Internet connectivity requires security like firewalls
 - Load balancers spread traffic across multiple applications

Real-Time Embedded Systems

- Real-time embedded systems most prevalent form of computers
 - Vary considerable
 - Special purpose
 - Limited purpose OS
 - Real-time OS
 - Use expanding
- Real-time OS has well-defined fixed time constraints
 - Processing *must* be done within constraint
 - Correct operation only if constraints met

Free and Open-Source Operating Systems

- Open source-code format vs closed-source and proprietary
- Against copy protection and Digital Rights Management (DRM)
- Started by Free Software Foundation (FSF)
 - "Copyleft" vs Copyright
 - GNU Public License (GPL)
 - Free software vs open-source http://gnu.org/philosophy/open-source-misses-the-point.html/
- Examples: GNU/Linux, BSD UNIX (core of Mac OS X)
- Can use **VMware** Player (Free on Windows), **Virtualbox** (open source and free on many platforms http://www.virtualbox.com)
 - Use to run guest operating systems for exploration

Operating System Definition

- No universally accepted definition
- "Everything a vendor ships when you order an operating system" is a good approximation
 - But varies wildly
- "The one program running at all times on the computer" is the **kernel**, part of the operating system
- Everything else is either
 - A **system program** (ships with the operating system, but not part of the kernel), or
 - An *application program*, all programs not associated with the operating system
- Today's OSes for general purpose and mobile computing also include *middleware* a set of software frameworks that provide addition services to application developers such as databases, multimedia, graphics