CS3.301: Operating Systems and Networks

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Outline

- Introduction
 - What is an Operating System?
- Course topics and grading
- History, development and concepts of Oss
- Different kinds of Computer Systems
- Concept of virtual computer

Questions

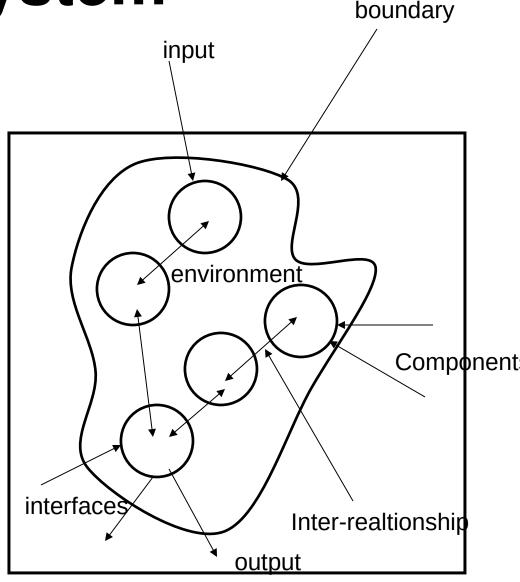
- What is a system ?
- What is an operating system ?
- What is a computer operating system?

What is a system?

- A system is an inter-related set of components with an identifiable boundary working together for some purpose.
- System can be natural or fabricated
 - Natural systems: human body or solar system
 - Fabricated systems: cycle, bus, computer, government, boat

System

- A system has nine characteristics
 - Components
 - Inter-related components
 - A boundary
 - A purpose
 - An environment
 - Interfaces
 - Input
 - Output
 - Constraints.



A general depiction of a system

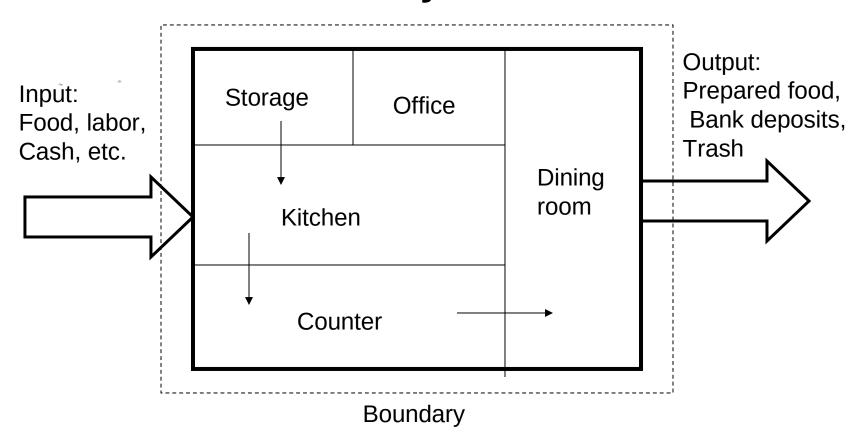
- Components:
 - A system is made up of components
 - A component is either an irreducible part or aggregation of parts that make-up a system. A component is also called a subsystem.
- Interrelated:
 - The components of interrelated
 - Dependence of one subsystem on one or more subsystems.

- Boundary (Scope):
 - A system has a boundary, within which all of its components are contained and which establishes the limits of a separating the system from other systems.
- Purpose
 - The overall goal of function of a system.
 The system's reason for existing.

- Environment
 - Everything external to the system that interacts with the system.
- Interface
 - Point of contact where a system meets its environment or subsystems meet each other.
- Constraint:
 - A limit what a system can accomplish: Capacity, speed or capabilities.

- Input
 - Whatever a system takes from its environment in order to fulfill its purpose.
- Output:
 - Whatever a system returns to its environment in order to fulfill its purpose.

Example: A fast food restaurant as a system



Environment: Customers, food distributors, banks etc

Represents an inter-relationship

Constraints: Popular foods, Health dept., constraints of storage

Important System Concepts

- Decomposition
- Modularity
- Coupling
- Cohesion

Decomposition (Divide and Conquer)

- It deals with being able to break down a system into its components.
- Decomposition results in smaller and less complex pieces that are easier to understand than larger, complex pieces.
- Decomposing a system also allows to focus on one particular part of a system, making easier to think of how to modify that part independently of the entire system.

Modularity

- Modularity refers to dividing a system up into chunks or modules of a relatively uniform size.
- You can replace or add any other module (or a component) without effecting the rest of the system.
- It is a design strategy in which system is composed of relatively small and autonomous routines fit together.

Coupling

- Coupling is the extent to which subsystems are dependent on each other.
- Subsystems should be as independent as possible.
- If a subsystem fails and other subsystems are highly dependent on it, the others will either fail themselves or have problems in functioning.

Cohesion

 The extent to which a system or a subsystem performs a single function.

What is an operating system?

- Operating system is a system.
- Operating system is a subsystem of any tool.
- Each tool constitutes machine part and operating part.
- The operating part of a tool is called as operating system of that tool.
- The purpose of operating system is to facilitate the operation of the underlying machine or tool.
- For some tools, operating system may not exist.
 - Example: Pen.
- For a user, the operating system abstracts the machine part in terms of simple services by hiding the details of the machine. The OS can provide services to users or other subsystems.
- Examples of typical operating systems:
 - Car operating system, Telephone operating system, TV operating system and so on.

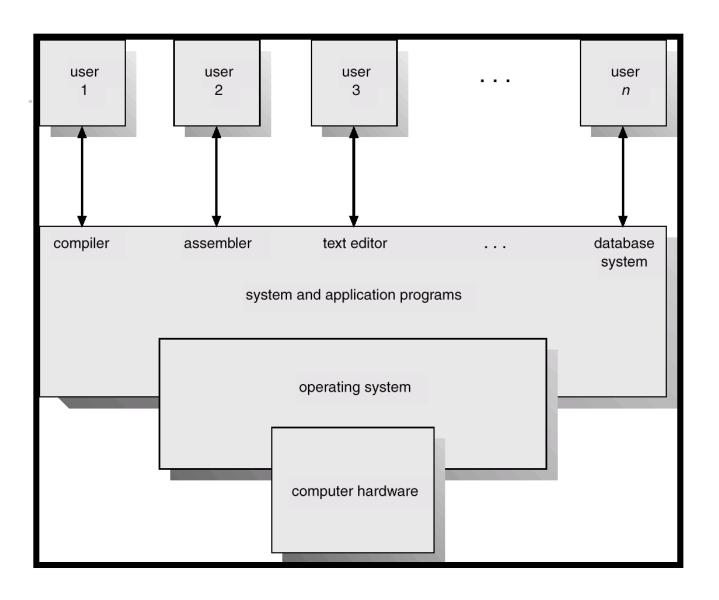
What is a computer operating system?

- A computer is also a tool that contains the machine part and the operating part.
- The operating part of a computer is called Computer Operating System.
- the operating system abstracts the underlying hardware in terms of simple services by hiding the details of the hardware. The OS can provide services to users or other subsystems.
- Examples of Computer operating systems:
 - WINDOWS 10, Macintosh, UNIX, SOLARIS, LINUX, Android, MAC IOS and so on.
- In the rest of this course, operating system means computer operating system.

Computer System Components

- 1. **Hardware** provides basic computing resources (CPU, memory, I/O devices).
- 2. Operating system controls and coordinates the use of the hardware among the various application programs for the various users.
- 3. **Applications programs** define the ways in which the system resources are used to solve the computing problems of the users (compilers, database systems, video games, business programs), Internet.
- 4. **Users** (people, machines, other computers).

Abstract View of System Components



What is an Operating System?...

- A program that acts as an intermediary between a user of a computer and the computer hardware.
- Operating system goals:
 - Make the computer system convenient to use.
 - Use the computer hardware in an efficient manner.

Operating System Definitions...

- Resource allocator manages and allocates resources.
 - Resources: CPU time, Memory Space, file storage space, I/O devices and son on.
- Control program controls the execution of user programs and operations of I/O devices.
- Kernel the one program running at all times (all else being application programs).
- The two goals, efficiency and convenience are sometimes contradictory
- Much of OS theory is concentrates on optimal use of resources.

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Objectives

- Understand the operational part of any computer.
 - learn the important concepts which have been evolved for building modern operating systems and networking protocols.
- Understanding the general principles of OS design.
 - Focus on general-purpose, multi-user systems.
 - Emphasis on widely applicable concepts rather than any specific features of any specific OS.
- Understanding problems, solutions and design choices.
- Understanding the structure of specific OSs: UNIX, LINUX, WINDOWS 10

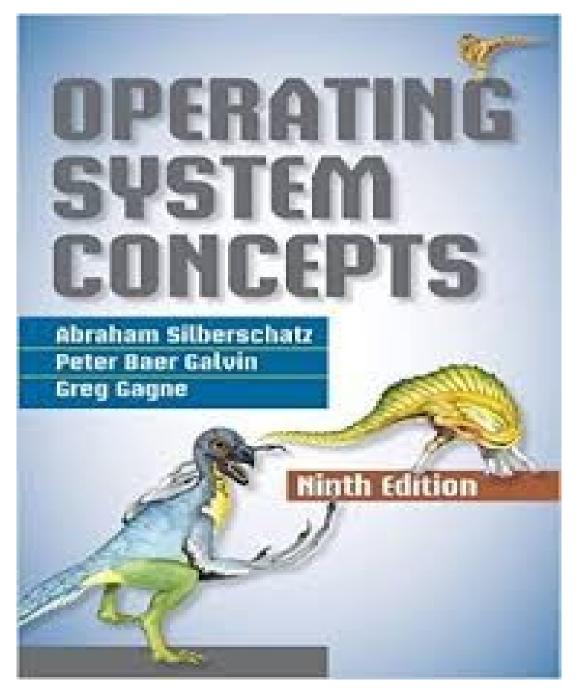
Course topics

- Introduction (1 week)
- Process and thread management (2 weeks)
- CPU Scheduling (1 week)
- Process Synchronization (2 weeks)
- Deadlocks (1 week)
- Memory management (1.5 weeks)
- Virtual Memory (1.5 weeks)
- File Systems (1 week)
- Protection and Security (1 week)
- Networking (3 weeks)

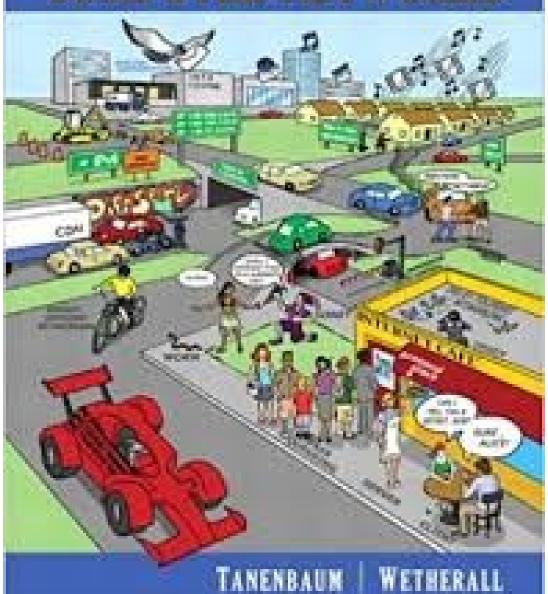
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COMPUTER NETWORKS



LAB WORK

- Experiments will be on the exposing the working of several system calls of LINUX OS:
 - Installation
 - reversing a file
 - Shell writing
 - Process communication
 - Bounded buffer,
 - semaphores,
 - shared memory,
 - threads;
 - Replace "Is" with lookup;
 - Command line for /proc;
 - Memory management
- The lab is very intensive. Please do not ask for the extension of deadline.
 Each experiment will be evaluated.

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Reading/Practicing Assignments

- Problems will be given
- You have to solve on your own

OUTCOME

- After completing the course, the students will understand
 - fundamental concepts of several computer operating systems (SOLARIS, LINUX, WINDOWS, MAC, Adroid,...) and network based services (Skype, Google Hangouts,..)
 - the solutions/options to interesting problems which have been encountered by the designers of the preceding operating systems and networking protocols, and
 - the critical role of the operation system in designing several computer and network based systems like database systems, expert systems, web based information systems, multi-media systems, embedded systems, internet services and so on.

GRADING

Type of Evaluation	Weightage (in %)
Quizes (about 10)	40%
End Sem Exam	30%
Assignments (programming)	30%

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Stored Program Computer

- 1940
 - Computers were designed to perform specific tasks.
 - Modification of the tasks required a great deal of effort and manual labour
- Alan Turing and John von Neumann
 - Proposed the concept of stored program computer.
 - Machine has both program store and data store and program store provides instructions about what to do on data.
 - This concept has generated the concept of general purpose computer.
- Watch the movie
 - The Imitation Game
- 1951
 - First general purpose computer
 - Machester Mark 1 (ran duriing 1940 to 1949)
 - First general purpose commercial computer was available in the market
 - Ferranti Mark1

Early systems (Serial processing)

1940-50:

- The programmer interacted directly with the computer hardware.
- Display light, switches, printer, card reader.
- No OS.
- Error is displayed through lights.

Problems:

- Scheduling → Users spend lots of time at the computer.
 - Signup sheet was used.
- Job Setup time
 - Loading and compiling
 - Mounting and Un-mounting of tapes
 - Setting up of card desks
- Libraries of functions, linkers, loaders, debuggers, and I/O driver routines were available for all the users.

- Early computers were (physically) large machines run from a console.
- The programmer would operate the program directly from the console.
 - The program is loaded to the memory from panel of switches, paper tape, and from punched cards.
- As time went on, additional software and hardware were developed.
 - Card readers, line printers, and magnetic tape became common place.
 - Libraries, loaders, and common functions were created.
 - Software reusability.



- The routines that performed I/O were especially became important.
- Device driver: A special subroutine was written for each I/O device.
 - A device driver knows how the buffers, flags, registers, control bits, and status bits for a particular device should be used.
 - Device driver is written once and called from the library.
- Later, compilers for FORTRAN, COBOL and other languages have appeared.

- Significant amount of setup time.
- Each job consisted of many separate steps:
 - Loading the FORTRAN compiler tape
 - Running the compiler
 - Unloading the compiler tape
 - Loading of assembler tape
 - Running assembler
 - Unloading the assemble tape
 - Loading the object program
 - Running the object program
- If error occurred during any step, you have to start over at the beginning.

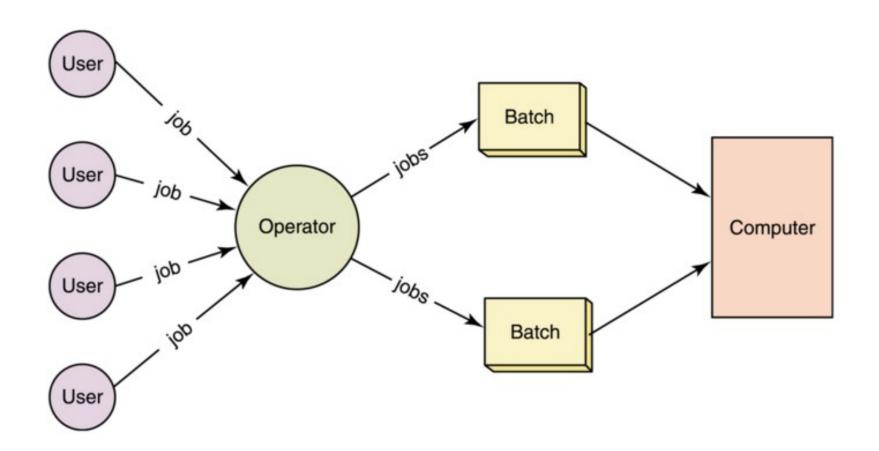
- The setup time was a real problem
- CPU is idle while tapes are being mounted or the programmer was operating the console.
- In the early days, few computers were available and they were expensive (millions of dollars).
 - +operational costs: power, cooling, programmers.
- Main question:

How to increase the utilization of CPU?

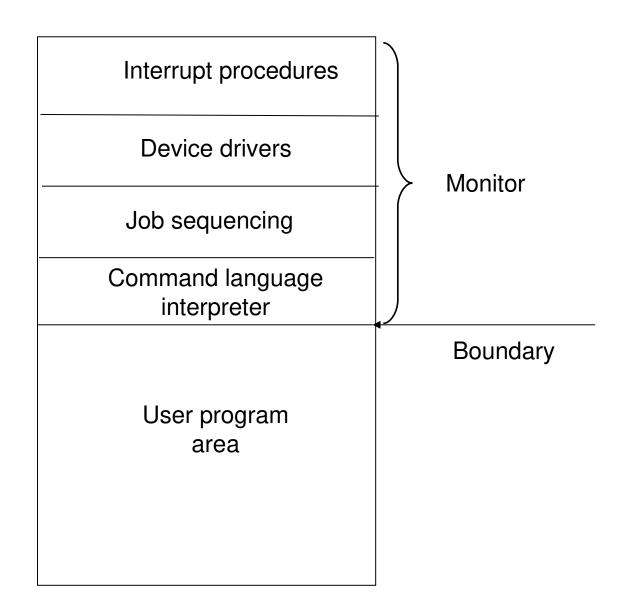
- The solution was two fold.
- First, a professional computer operator was hired.
 - Once the program was finished, he operator could start next job.
 - The operator sets up the job, produces the dump, and starts the next job.
 - The set up time was reduced due to operator's experience.
- Second, jobs with similar needs were batched together and run through the computer as a group.
 - For example, if there is a FORTRAN job, COBOL job, and FORTRAN job, two FORTRAN jobs were batched together.
- However, during transition time CPU sat idle.
- To overcome this idle time, people developed automatic job sequencing.
 - A first rudimentary OS was created
 - A small program called a resident monitor was developed.
 - The resident monitor always resided in memory.

Simple Batch Systems (early 1960s)

- In serial systems
 - Machines were very expensive
 - Wasting time was not acceptable.
- To improve usage, the concept of batch OS was developed.
- The main idea is the use of software known as monitor.
 - The user no longer has access to machine.
- The user submits the job (tape) to the operator.
- The operator batches the jobs together sequentially, places entire batch as an input device for use by the computer.



Memory Layout for a Simple Batch System



Simple Batch Systems..

- At the beginning of any job, the corresponding subroutines and functions are loaded.
- The monitor reads the jobs one at a time from the input device.
- ALGORITHM FOR MONITOR (or Operating System)
 - The control is passed to the user's program.
 - Processor is fetching and executing user's instructions.
 - After completion, the control is returned to the monitor program
 - Processor is fetching and executing monitor instructions.

- Loop no operation
- JUMP loop

Features of Batch System

- The batch OS is simply a program.
- It relies on the ability of the processor to fetch instructions from various portions of main memory to seize and relinquish control.
- Hardware features:
 - Memory protection: While the user program is running, it must not alter the memory area containing the monitor.
 - If such is the case the processor hardware should detect the error and transfer control to monitor.
 - Timer: A timer is used to prevent the single job from monopolizing the system
 - Privileged instructions
 - Contains instructions that are only executed by monitor.
 - I/O instructions
 - If a program encounters them the control shifts through monitor..
 - Interrupts: It gives OS more flexibility.
 - Relinquishing control and regain control

Features of Batch System

 With batch OS, the machine time alters between execution of user programs and execution of monitor.

- Two overheads
 - Machine time is consumed by the monitor.
 - Memory is consumed by the monitor.
- Still, they improved the performance over serial systems.

Problems with the Batch System

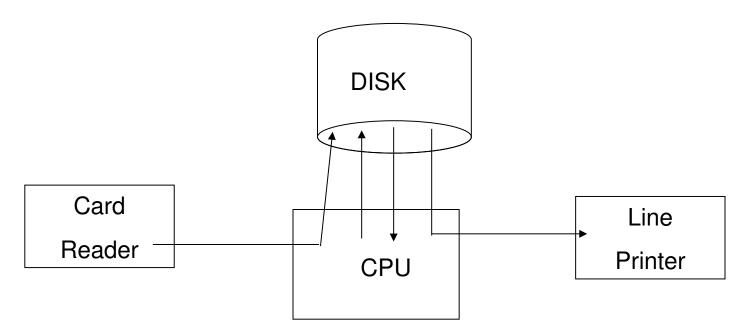
- CPU is idle
 - Speed of mechanical devices is very slower than those of electronic devices.
- CPU works in a microsecond range
 - Thousands of instructions/second
- A card reader may read 1200 cards per minute
 - (20 cards per second)
- CPU speed has increased at a faster rate.
- Tape technology improved the performance little-bit.
- Main perceived problem
 - Turn-around time: up to two days
 - CPU often underutilized
 - Most of the time was spent reading and writing from tape.

Resident monitor: summary

- Automatic job sequencing
 - Use of control cards
- Job control language
 - Commands
 - Mount this tape
 - Compile
 - Run
- OSs begin to be important.
 - IBM: Fortran monitor system
- Main perceived problems
 - Turn-around time
 - Inexpensive use of expensive hardware
 - CPU is still mostly idle.

Spooling

- The introduction of disk technology helped in this regard.
- Disk technology introduced the SPOOLing (Simultaneous Peripheral Operations On-Line)
- Considers disk as a huge buffer.
- Input comes from the disk
- Output goes to the disk.

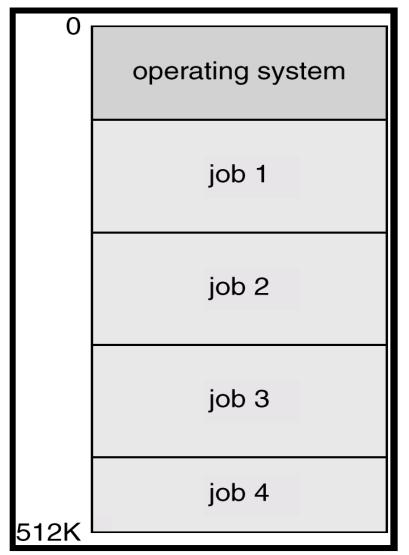


Advantage of Spooling

- Reading can be done in advance.
- Output can be stored on the disk.
- Spooling is also used for processing data at remote sites.
- Spooling overlaps the I/O of one job and computation of other jobs.
 - Even printing and reading can overlap.
- Spooling can keep both the CPU and the I/O devices working at higher rates.
- Disk is a random access device.

Multi-programmed Batched Systems (1960s) (or Multi tasking)

- A single user can not keep either CPU or I/O busy.
- Multiprogramming increases
 CPU utilization by
 organizing jobs such that the
 CPU always has one to
 execute.
- The OS keeps several jobs in memory at a time and CPU is multiplexed among them



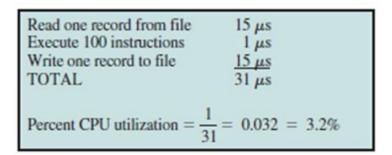
Multi-programmed Batch Systems

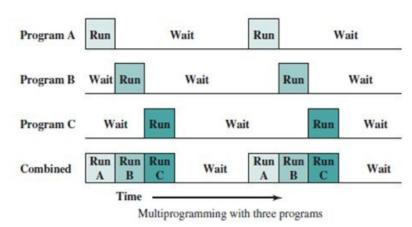
- If CPU is executing a job and requires a tape to be mounted
 - In a non multi-programmed system
 - CPU sits idle.
 - In a Multi-programmed system
 - CPU takes up another job.
- Multiprogramming is the first instance when the OS started taking decisions.
- Job scheduling is done by OS.
- Having several programs in the memory requires memory management.

Multi-programmed Batch Systems

- I/O devices very slow.
- When one program is waiting for I/O, another can use the CPU.

Example:





OS Features Needed for Multiprogramming

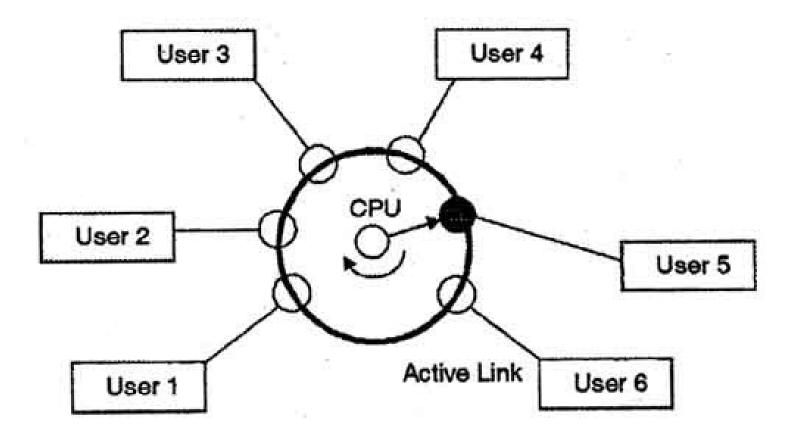
- I/O routine supplied by the system.
- Memory management
 - the system must allocate the memory to several jobs.
- CPU scheduling
 - the system must choose among several jobs ready to run.
- Allocation of devices.

Time-Sharing Systems-Interactive Computing

- With multiprogramming
 - Utilization is OK
 - Response time was a problem.
- Timesharing:
 - Programs could interact with user.
- Programs
 - Could wait for I/O for arbitrary time
 - CPU switched to another job.
 - However, resident jobs took up valuable memory
 - Needed to be swapped out to disk
 - Virtual memory.
- Time-sharing systems were developed to provide interactive use of a computer system at a reasonable cost.

Time-Sharing Systems—Interactive Computing

- A time sharing system uses CPU scheduling and multiprogramming to provide each user with a small portion of a time shared computer.
- A program that is loaded into a memory and is executing is commonly known as a process.
- In timesharing system, a process executes for only a short time.
 - I/O is at people speeds, but OS can switch rapidly.
- A time-shared OS system allows the many users to share the computer simultaneously.
- It gives the impression that the user has own computer, whereas actually a computer is shared among many users.



Time-sharing is a technique which enables many people, located at various terminals, to use a particular computer system at the same time.

TIME SHARING SYSTEMS

About Modern OSs

- Multiprogramming and timesharing are the central themes of modern OSs.
- Multiprogramming and timesharing requires
 - CPU scheduling
 - Process synchronization and communication
 - Deadlock detection
 - Memory management and protection
 - Virtual memory: A program is bigger than physical memory
 - Online file systems.
 - Disk management
 - Security and protection
 - Real-time and multimedia support
- In this course, we will discuss key concepts/algorithms /ideas developed since 1950 on the preceding aspects/issues.
- We also discuss networking protocols.