

User Process

when system
call is made
system control
switches from
user to kernel

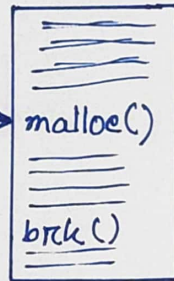
malloc()
or
brk()

user
mode

kernel
mode

System Call Interface

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malloc()/brk()
implementation
of malloc()/brk
system call

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return

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Parameter
of malloc

register

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❑ User Process uses `malloc()` for allocating additional dynamic memory.

❑ `malloc()` function uses `brk()` system call.
~~to switch~~

❑ When system call happens, system control will be switched from user mode to kernel mode. Because kernel mode is the privileged one which only can access hardware like memory, I/O devices.

Then in kernel mode, OS finds brk/malloc Application program.

malloc() internally uses brk() system call

II Internally, `malloc()` manages a pool of memory obtained from the OS using system calls like `brk()`

❑ `malloc()` searches for a suitable free block of memories according to the passed parameter value in `malloc()` function.

❑ if suitable block is found, `malloc()` returns success. Otherwise failure

❑ Then system control again switches to User from Kernel.

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Second Chance / Clock

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Page Replacement
Algo

1 → gets a second chance to be replaced.

