

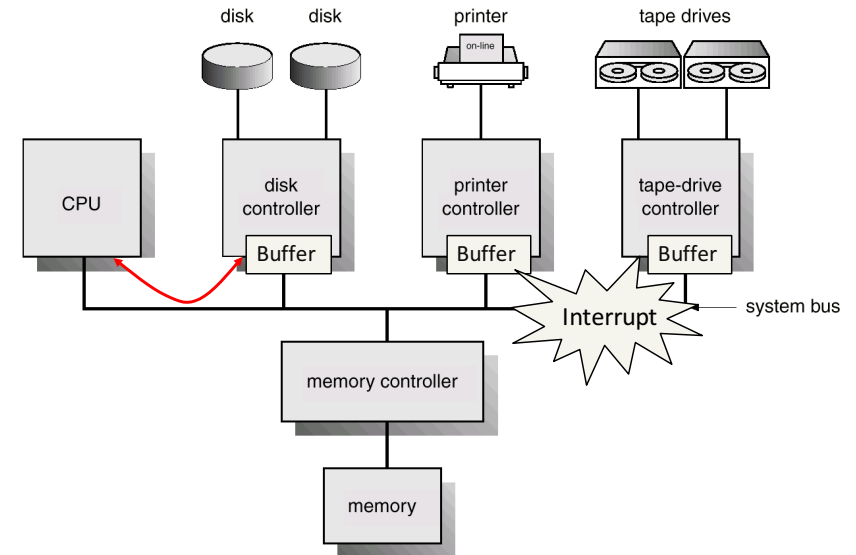
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b) Interrupts

c) I/O Structure: Interrupt-Driven Data Transfer, Direct Memory Access (DMA) Data Transfer

Computer Organization



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• Computer Organization

– What is a device controller?

Each device controller is in charge of the operations for a particular device type.

– What is the channel through which devices and the CPU communicate?

A system bus.

– How do devices notify CPU that I/O operations are done?

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Interrupt

- Why do we say "Operating systems are interrupt driven"?

If there are no interrupts, OS will not execute (idle).

- What are the major steps of interrupt handling?

Three steps:

- First, OS saves the state of the current execution.
- Second, it determines the interrupt service routine according to the interrupt type.
- Third, the interrupt service routine is executed.

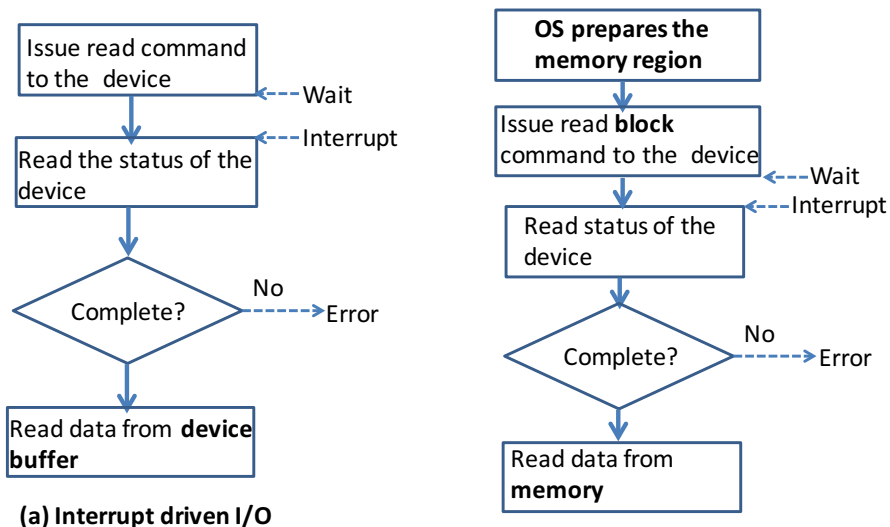
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What are Major Differences between Interrupt Driven I/O and DMA?



- Small size I/O
- More Interrupts
- Low-speed devices

- Block based I/O
- Less interrupts
- High-speed devices

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2. Indicate whether the following statements are true or false. Justify your answers.

- All I/O instructions are privileged instructions.
- Given a base register value of 0x1000 and a limit register value of 0x1000, access to memory location 0x1FFF will generate a trap.
- Popular operating systems for personal computer use (such as Windows and Linux) are real-time systems.
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2a) All I/O instructions are privileged instructions.

→ True.

Justification: I/O operations must go through OS to ensure their correctness and legality.

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2b) Given a base register value of 0x1000 and a limit register value of 0x1000, access to memory location 0x1FFF will generate a trap.

→ False.

Justification: For memory protection, each access to memory by a process must be in the range $[base, base+limit-1]$. In this case, it translates to the range $[0x1000, 0x1FFF]$. Hence the access to memory location 0x1FFF will succeed and not generate a trap.

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2c) Popular operating systems for personal computer use (such as Windows and Linux) are real-time systems.

→ False.

Justification: Those systems are usually time sharing system.

More: Real-time scheduling in e-learning video.

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2d) A system call always generates a trap.

→ True.

Justification: When a system call is encountered, hardware switches from user to kernel mode and generates a trap. The appropriate system call function in the kernel is then identified and executed.

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3. Distinguish between multiprogramming and multiprocessing. What were the key motivations for the development of each?

Multiprogramming vs. Multiprocessing

- Multiprogramming refers to the running of **more than one program** concurrently in a computer system (even if it has only a single-core CPU).
 - Goal: improve CPU utilization.
- Multiprocessing is the execution of programs on a computer system comprised of **more than one processing cores (multi-core CPU)**.
 - Goal: increase computing power with **parallel** architectures.

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Multiprogramming vs. Multiprocessing (cont')

Process: Order → Wait till food is ready → Get food

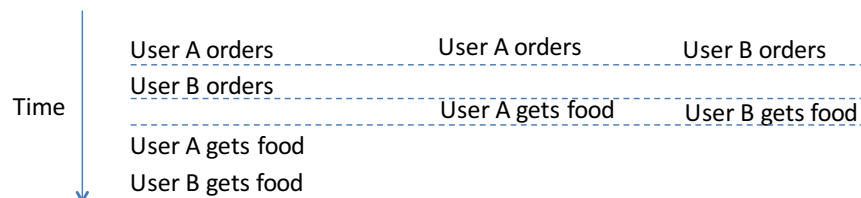
- User A: buy chicken wings
- User B: buy noodles



VS.

Multiprogramming shop

Multiprocessing shop



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