### **Software = Computer Programs**

- Software, also called a program, tells the computer what tasks to perform and how to perform them
  - **♦** Firmware
    - ♦ Device driver programs stored on ROM or EPROM chips
  - **♦** System Software
    - Operating System = Delivers hardware and software resources to user
    - Utility Programs = Allows user to perform maintenancetype tasks usually related to managing a computer, its devices or its programs
  - **◆ Applications Software** 
    - Word Processing
    - ♦ Spreadsheets
    - Presentation Graphics
    - ◆ Database
    - ♦ Office Suites: Microsoft Office, LibreOffice, OpenOffice

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## **Functions of an Operating System**

- Interfacing with Users
  - **♦** Booting the Computer
  - Loads essential part of operating system (kernel) into memory
  - Reads opening batch of instructions
- Determines hardware connected to computer
  - Configuring Devices
  - Device drivers are often needed; can be reinstalled if needed and stored on hard drive
  - Plug and Play devices are recognized automatically and their drivers are loaded by OS

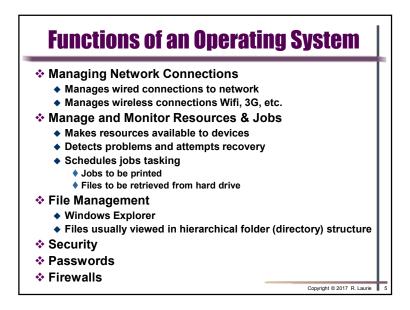
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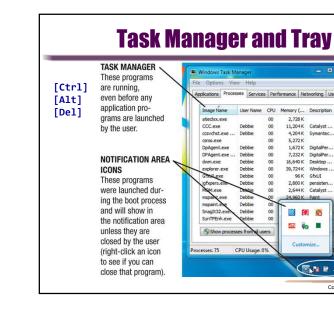
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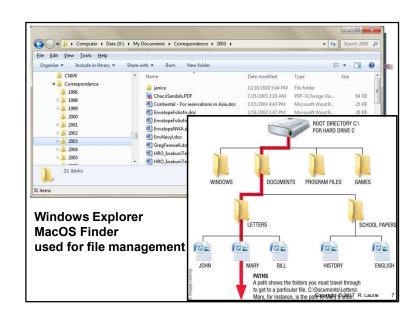
- Windows steps through a process called booting to get a computer up and running and loads the most basic part of OS called Kernel
- Windows may display a Welcome screen so that you can log on your computer
- When you log on, you provide your user name and password
- Windows then displays the desktop as your starting point for using a computer
- Windows displays a background image called wallpaper on the desktop
- Windows uses icons to represent programs, folders, and files

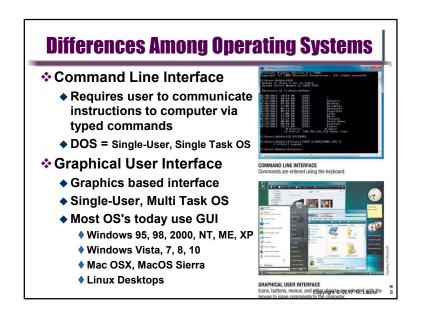
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#### **Functions of an Operating System** ❖ Memory Management Optimizing the use of main memory (RAM) Virtual memory ♦ Memory-management technique that uses hard drive space as additional RAM 1. Pages of programs or data are copied from RAM to the virtual memory area of the hard drive. Pages are copied back to RAM as they are needed for processing. 3. As more room in RAM is needed. pages are copied to virtual memory and then deleted from RAM. 4. The swapping process continues until the program finishes executing. Copyright © 2017 R. Laurie









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#### **Types of Operating Systems**

- Standalone (Personal) Operating Systems
  - ◆ Designed for single computer installation
  - ◆ Desktop, laptop, notebook, tablet, or smartphone
- Server (Network) Operating Systems
  - Designed for network server computer
  - ◆ Many client computers make requests
  - ◆ Controls access to network resources
  - ◆ MS Windows Server, Apple Server, Linux Server
- Embedded (Mobile) Operating Systems
  - ◆ Smart phones: iOS, Android, Kindle
  - ◆ Appliances: Cars, Microwaves, DVD player

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#### **Unix and Linux**

- **❖ UNIX: AT&T and Sun Microsystems** 
  - Intended for workstations and servers
- Linux
  - ◆ Developed by Linus Torvalds in 1991 grad project
  - ◆ Open-source software: usually free without support
  - ◆ <a href="http://distrowatch.com/">http://distrowatch.com/</a>
  - ◆ My favorites are: Zorin, Ubuntu Mate, Mint
- Strong support from mainstream companies
  - ◆ Google, Oracle, IBM, HP, and Novell
  - ◆ Android OS is a derivative of Linux
  - MacOS is a derivative of UNIX

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### **Utility Programs**

- Software that is usually related to managing or maintaining the computer
  - ♦ Many utilities are built into operating systems
    - ♦ Control Panel accesses common utilities
    - ♦ File management program = Windows Explorer
    - ♦ Search Tools = integrated into Windows Explorer
    - Diagnostic and Disk Management Programs
    - ♦ Uninstall and Cleanup Utilities
    - ♦ File compression programs = iZarc and Windows Explorer
    - ♦ Backup and Recovery Utilities
  - ◆Can be stand-alone products
    - ♦ Antivirus Scanner = BitDefender, AVG and Avast
    - ♦ Spyware Scanner = Spybot Search and Destroy

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### **Application Software**

- \* How is software distributed?
  - ◆ Commercial software, mass-produced for purchase
    ◆ Microsoft Office
  - Custom software, performs functions specific to a business or industry
  - Web app software, hosted by a Web site
    Google Drive, Zoho, and Microsoft Office 365
  - Open source software, provided for use, modification, and redistribution
    - ♦ www.OpenOffice.org www.LibreOffice.org
  - Shareware, copyrighted software that is distributed free for trial period
  - ◆ Freeware, copyrighted software provided at no cost
  - Public-domain software, freeware with no copyright restrictions

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#### **Application Software**

- ❖ Productivity Software
  - ◆ Microsoft Office
    - ♦ Word Processing = MS Word
    - Spreadsheets = MS Excel
    - ♦ Presentation Graphics = MS PowerPoint
    - ♦ Database = MS Access
  - ◆ Accounting = MS Money
  - ◆ Project Management = MS Project
  - ◆ LibreOffice or OpenOffice are OpenSource and Free
- Graphics and Video Editing
- ❖ Communications: Email, IM, Web, VOIP
- ❖ Home: Tax, Personal Finance, Education

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#### **Commercial Software**

- ❖ Purchased Software
  - ◆ Microsoft, Adobe, Autodesk
- Software Ownership Rights
  - ◆ Commercial Software
    - ♦ Copyrighted software that is developed and sold for profit
    - ♦ Typically comes with a single-user license
  - ◆ Software license
    - Specifies the conditions software can be used
    - ♦ installations, concurrent-use, single-user, multi-user
- EULA End User Licensing Agreement
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- **❖ Software piracy takes place:** 
  - ◆ Soft lifting: Borrowing a software and installing for your personal use
  - Client-server overuse: Installing more copies of software than your license allows
  - Hard-disk loading: Selling computers that have been preloaded unauthorized software
  - Counterfeiting: Duplicating and selling copyrighted programs
  - Online piracy: Downloading illegal software from peer-to-peer networks
- Criminal penalties include fine \$250,000 and a jail term of up to five years

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