

OS 1/21

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Historical Stuff

- 1960s ish there was the space race, so a lot of money went into machines and computation for space stuff
- Lots of statistics
- Developing operating systems to manage data
 - data about: orbit trajectories, probabilities, etc
- Unix came from the OS that was developed around that time
- An unfathomable shit load of operating systems came around because of it, close to 1984

Unix

- Unix has two definitions:
 - Unix as an operating system that has been certified by “the Open Group”
 - * This is the “proper” definition
 - * Unix seal of approval used to be important but people don’t give a fuck anymore
 - Systems that look and behave like Unix
 - * Not a proper definition but eh it works
- Single UNIX Specification (SUS)
 - There are different Unix specifications that you need to follow to fall into this group
- Timeline
 - First implemented in 1969
 - The name was a pun on MULTICS (does someone wanna tell me what MULTICS is because I don’t get the pun)
 - * If I could read the damn slide...
 - * MULTICS was an AT&T, MIT, GE project but AT&T left because it wasn’t making money
 - Unix was implemented by Ken Thompson but was rewritten in C by Dennis Ritchie in 1973
 - MIT was already using MULTICS on campus
 - In 1974, UNIX installs on more than 50 systems
 - The first edition was created outside of AT&T (they were in on it the whole time but backed out) in 1975
- Bell Labs
 - Invented: radio astronomy, the transistor, the laser, charged-coupled device, Information Theory, C, C++, Unix
 - Eight nobel prize winners
 - In 1974, AT&T was deemed a monopoly and broke up bell labs into little bells (PAC Bell, Southwestern Bell, US West, etc)
 - * They couldn’t sell Unix so they licensed it away
 - In 1977, Unix was running in 500 cities and 125 universities
 - * This is when people started teaching OS classes
 - Some dude from AT&T took a sabbatical to Berkeley and found a dude (Bill Joy) who ended up creating SunOS
 - * The two dudes worked together to create a fast file system, pascal, and virtual memory

Vi/Vim

- Not an operating system but it's going in this section anyways
- In 1976, Bill Joy (the dude from above) developed Vi/Vim as the visual mode for the line editor ex
 - Vi is short for visual
 - ed (don't know what ed is but I typed it anyways) used a series of commands to edit text
 - Inspired by BRAVO text editor from Xerox PARC
- In 1985, AT&T looked for other editors (enter EMACS) because they weren't allowed to use Vi due to copyright issues (because Bill Joy began with ed)

Emacs and Richard Stallman (rms)

- Also not an OS but still in this section
- In 1974, this dude visited Stanford AI lab while at the MIT AI lab
 - He saw the *E* editor and liked it because it was WYSIWYG (what you see is what you get)
- In 1975, he combined it with TECO which was a system with a *macro* feature
 - A lot of people added their own macros
 - There were *so many* macros that RMS asked everyone to send him their updates and changes so he could make the whole system better
- In 1984, he started working on GNU Emacs

AT&T Involvement

- The government broke up AT&T in 1982
 - No more monopoly on telephone, but now they can market UNIX
- AT&T Unix Support Group (USG) developed an implementation
 - System III in 1981 included named pipes and a mix of AT&T Unixes
 - System V in 1983 was System Version Release 4 and was the most successful, competed with BSD in usage and technology, still infused with features from BSD
- UNIX was implemented over several different hardware types; hardware purchasers were no longer locked into what they were using

Back to the pedo

- In 1984, Richard Stallman started creating a free (liberty, not price) UNIX
 - Started GNU (GNU is **not** UNIX)
- In 1985 founded FSF
 - FSF was a foundation that donates to stuff, can't remember what he just said it stood for
 - * Just Googled it, free software foundation
 - GPL License
 - Bash shell, glibc
 - GCC (gnu c compiler → gnu compiler collection)
- GPL is the General Public License
 - This means software licensed as GPL must be freely redistributable under GPL
 - Modifications to and distributions of GPL software must also be licensed as GPL

BSD and Linux

- In 1990, Bill and Lynne Jolitz forked the mature BSD
- In 1991, Linus Torvalds sent a message inviting people to build an OS

- Started with MINIX
- In 1993, NetBSD and FreeBSD had development groups and had OpenBSD in 1996
 - BSD came from Berkley
- In 1994, Linux had a team of people and developed version 1.0 (now they're on 5.4)
- At some point, AT&T sued the BSD people because it was too close to their stuff

Linux

- Linux refers to the kernel developed by Linux Torvalds
 - Kernel means something about hardware receiving commands? I missed what he said. Linux won't work by itself
- Need Linux+something else, Mr. Pedophile prefers GNU/Linux
- The market opened up to companies who can package Linux distributions
 - Slackware is the oldest, then Debian, then SUSE and Red Hat
 - In 2004, Ubuntu came out (based on Debian)
 - * Close binary compatibility with debian, most popular cloud OS
 - * Ubuntu means "I am what I am because of who we all are"
- Holy shit the Ubuntu family tree is HUGE

C (C is the happy key, but not the happy language)

- Ken Thompson worked on the B language, Dennis Ritchie who was also at Bell Labs wrote C
- All Unix implementations made a standard for C necessary
 - In 1978, K&R is a defacto standard
 - in 1985, C++ highlighted improvements
 - in 1989, The American National Standards Institute had standards for C or something

POSIX - Portable Operating System Interface (X or UNIX)

- This is a group of standards to promote portability of source code
- It describes the interface that will support different file system activities

Finally...moving away from history

- Interrupt
 - Interrupt is a mechanism by which other modules may interrupt the normal sequencing of the processor
 - Example: In a GUI system, an interrupt can be moving the mouse because the processor has to update the location
 - * A timer is also an interrupt (every task can only run for 10 instructions)
 - Interrupts are also called when an error happens
 - Not always a bad thing, interrupts can be good things
 - Main types of interrupts
 - * I/O is based on interrupts
 - This is because I/O is *very* slow