CSCI 476: Computer Security

Operating Systems, Processes, and `forking()`

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Announcements

NO CLASS ON THURSDAY

(I'll still be around if you need help with anything)

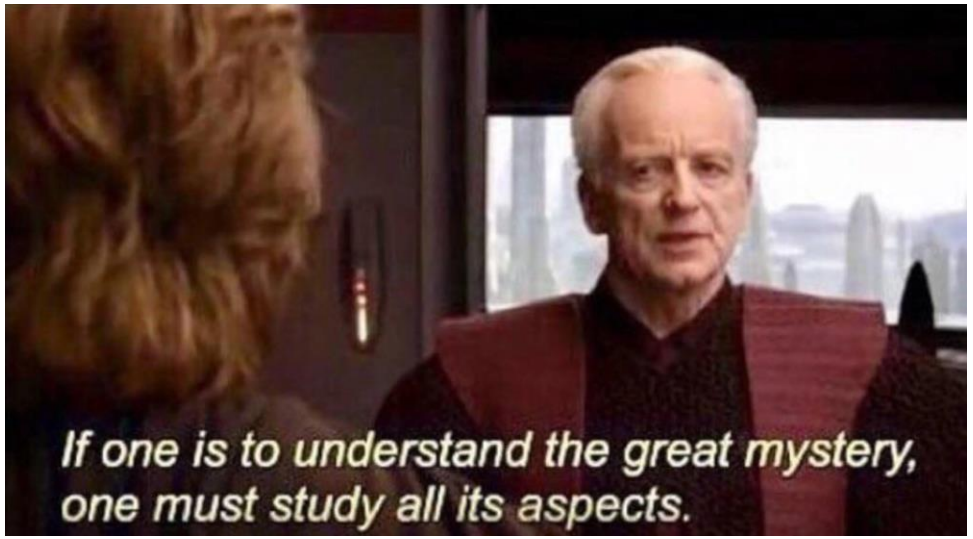
Lab 0 due on Sunday 9/8 @ 11:59 PM

(All assignments will be due on Sundays)

If you have an M1/M2 chip, or if you are still struggling with your VM, **check in with me this week**

To understand the technical aspects of security, we must have a good understanding of how ~~computers~~ work

operating systems



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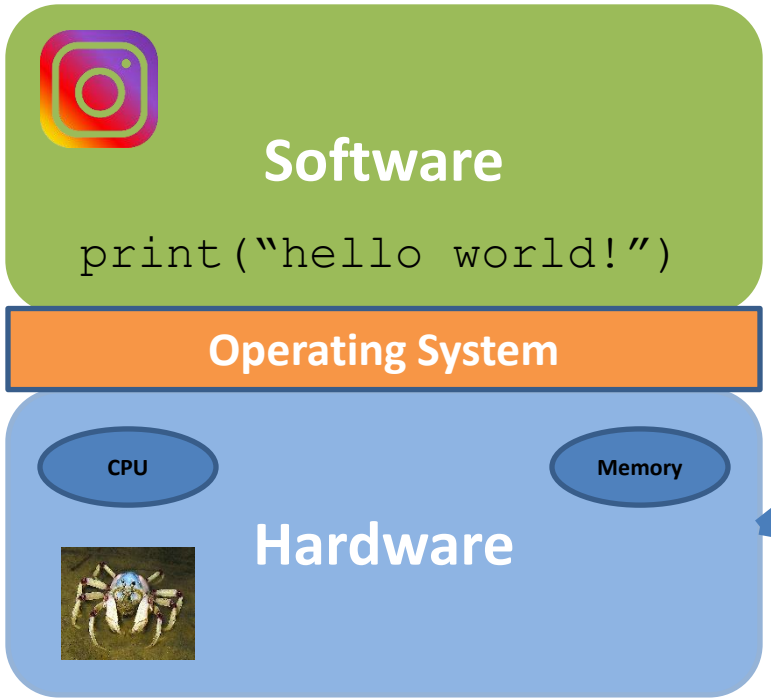

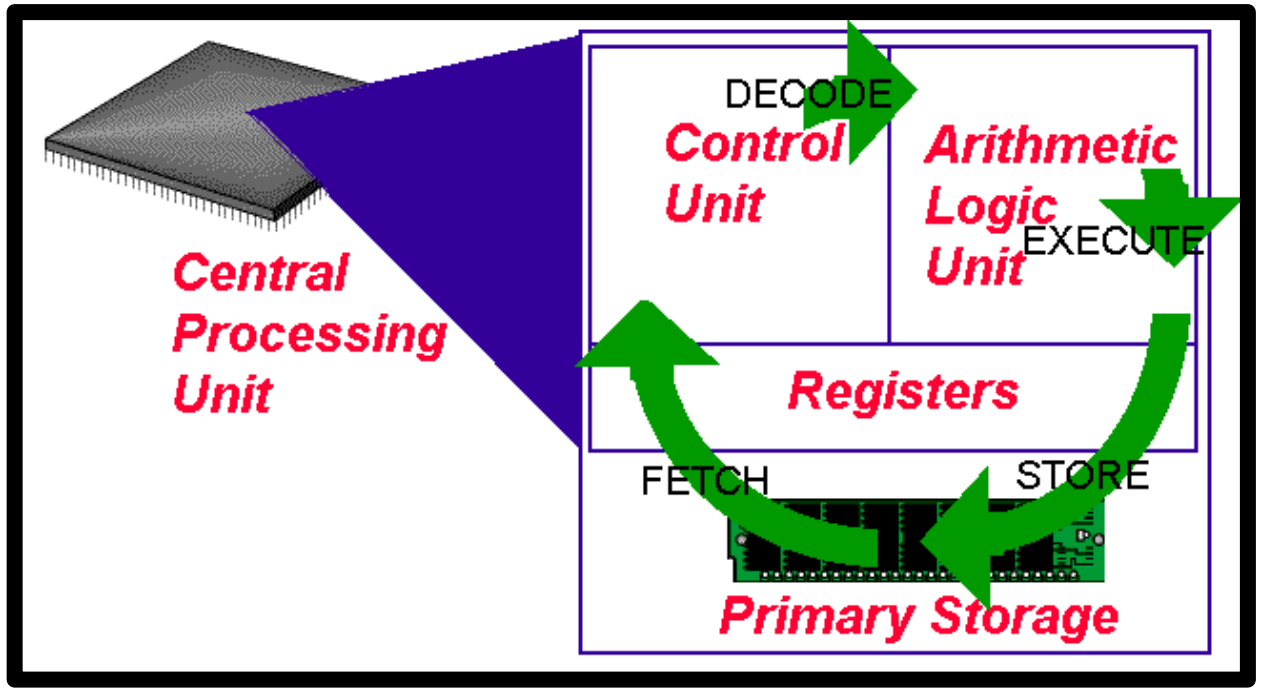

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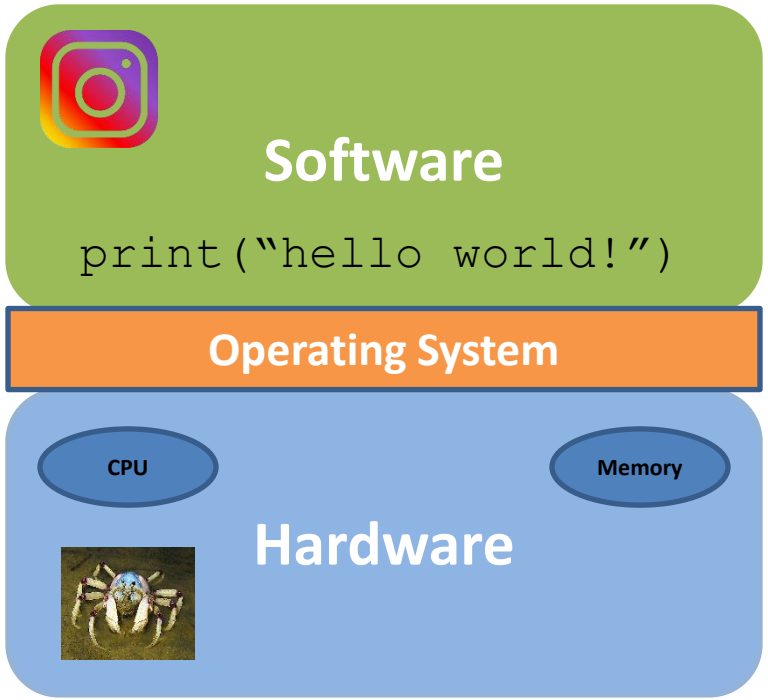

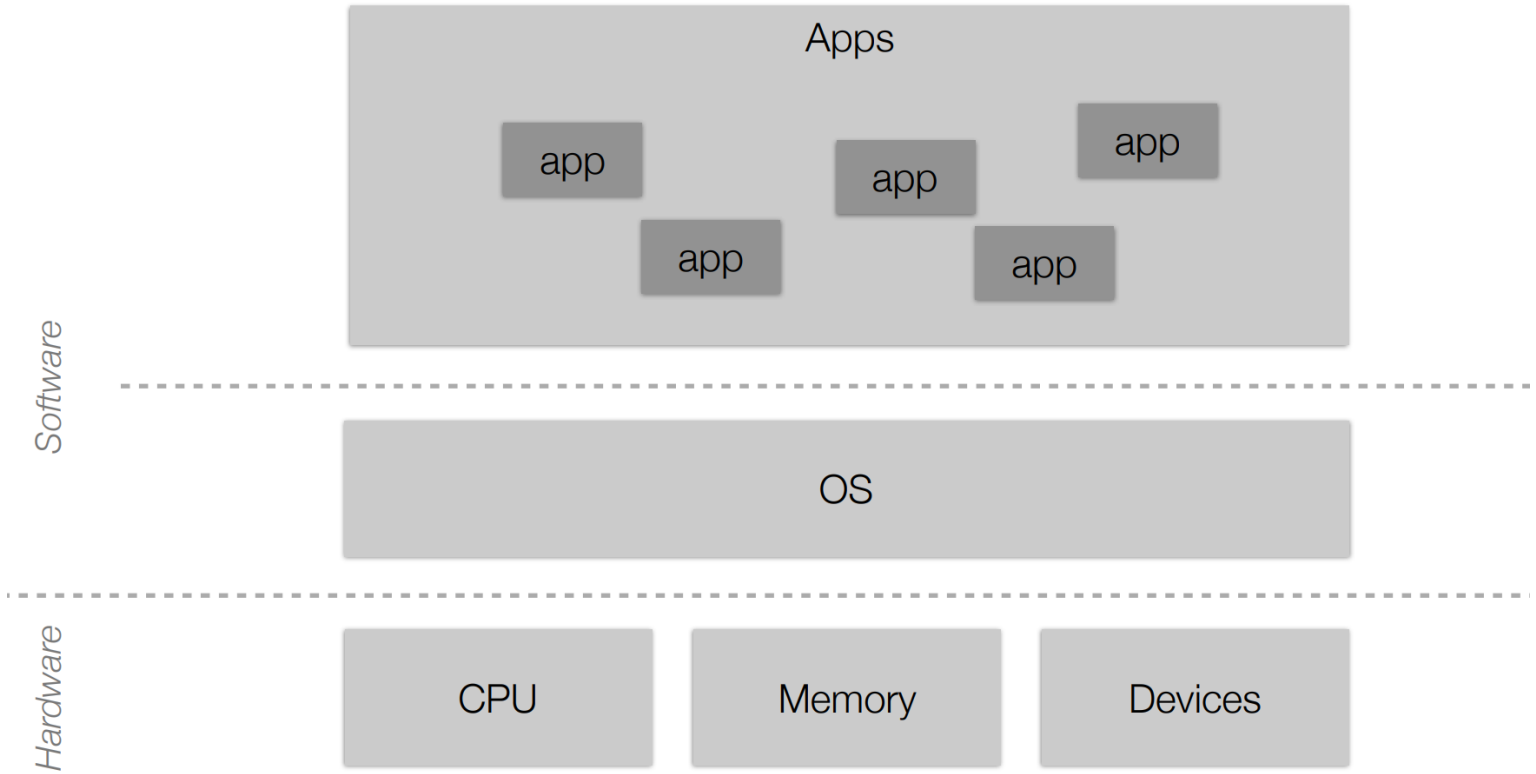

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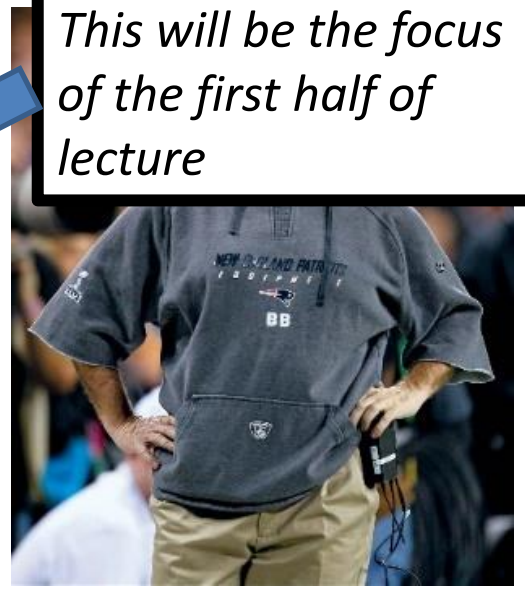
This will be the focus of the first half of lecture



Source code to binary

```c
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
        printf("Hello WOrld! \n");


        int x = 0;
        int y = 3;

        int z = x + y;

        printf("%d  %d  %d \n",x,y,z);
        return 0;

}
```

Preprocessor

- Removal of comments
- Expand Macros

Compiler

```
0000000000000000 <main>:
   0:   f3 0f 1e fa             endbr64
   4:   55                      push   %rbp
   5:   48 89 e5                mov    %rsp,%rbp
   8:   48 83 ec 10             sub    $0x10,%rsp
   c:   48 8d 3d 00 00 00 00    lea    0x0(%rip),%rdi        # 13 <main+0x13>
  13:   e8 00 00 00 00          callq  18 <main+0x18>
  18:   c7 45 f4 00 00 00 00    movl   $0x0,-0xc(%rbp)
  1f:   c7 45 f8 03 00 00 00    movl   $0x3,-0x8(%rbp)
  26:   8b 55 f4                mov    -0xc(%rbp),%edx
  29:   8b 45 f8                mov    -0x8(%rbp),%eax
  2c:   01 d0                   add    %edx,%eax
  2e:   89 45 fc                mov    %eax,-0x4(%rbp)
  31:   8b 4d fc                mov    -0x4(%rbp),%ecx
  34:   8b 55 f8                mov    -0x8(%rbp),%edx
  37:   8b 45 f4                mov    -0xc(%rbp),%eax
  3a:   89 c6                   mov    %eax,%esi
  3c:   48 8d 3d 00 00 00 00    lea    0x0(%rip),%rdi        # 43 <main+0x43>
  43:   b8 00 00 00 00          mov    $0x0,%eax
  48:   e8 00 00 00 00          callq  4d <main+0x4d>
  4d:   b8 00 00 00 00          mov    $0x0,%eax
  52:   c9                      leaveq
  53:   c3                      retq
```

- Converted to assembly code
- .s file

Assembler

```
1   00000000 00000100 0000000000000000
2   01011110 00001100 11000010 0000000000000010
3   11101111 00010110 0000000000000101
4   11101111 10011110 0000000000001011
5   11111000 10101101 11011111 0000000000010010
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15  01010000 11010100 0000000000111011
16  00000100 0000000000111101
```

Linker

Program A

Library 1

Library 2

.exe

```
./hello_world
```

**THIS PROCESS IS NOT TRUE FOR EVERY LANGUAGE

What happens when we run `./hello_world` ?

It gets turned into a **process**

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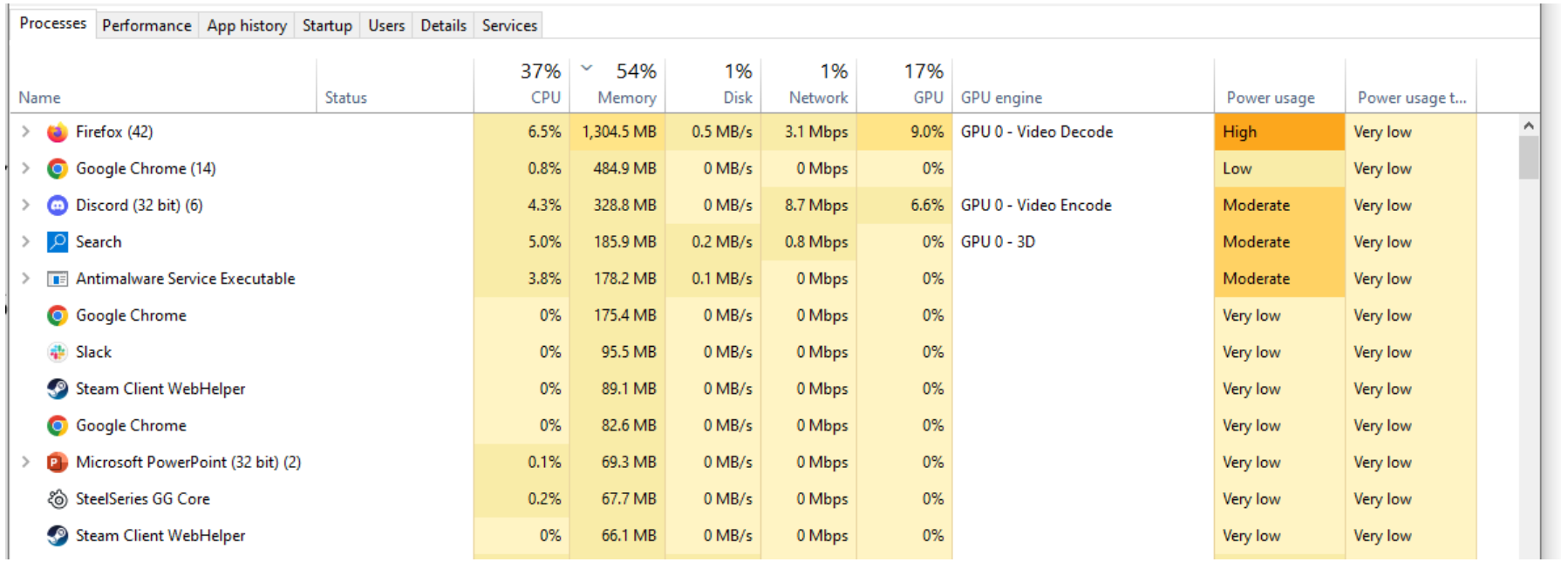

Processes | Performance | App history | Startup | Users | Details | Services

Name	Status	37% CPU	54% Memory	1% Disk	1% Network	17% GPU	GPU engine	Power usage	Power usage t...
Firefox (42)		6.5%	1,304.5 MB	0.5 MB/s	3.1 Mbps	9.0%	GPU 0 - Video Decode	High	Very low
Google Chrome (14)		0.8%	484.9 MB	0 MB/s	0 Mbps	0%		Low	Very low
Discord (32 bit) (6)		4.3%	328.8 MB	0 MB/s	8.7 Mbps	6.6%	GPU 0 - Video Encode	Moderate	Very low
Search		5.0%	185.9 MB	0.2 MB/s	0.8 Mbps	0%	GPU 0 - 3D	Moderate	Very low
Antimalware Service Executable		3.8%	178.2 MB	0.1 MB/s	0 Mbps	0%		Moderate	Very low
Google Chrome		0%	175.4 MB	0 MB/s	0 Mbps	0%		Very low	Very low
Slack		0%	95.5 MB	0 MB/s	0 Mbps	0%		Very low	Very low
Steam Client WebHelper		0%	89.1 MB	0 MB/s	0 Mbps	0%		Very low	Very low
Google Chrome		0%	82.6 MB	0 MB/s	0 Mbps	0%		Very low	Very low
Microsoft PowerPoint (32 bit) (2)		0.1%	69.3 MB	0 MB/s	0 Mbps	0%		Very low	Very low
SteelSeries GG Core		0.2%	67.7 MB	0 MB/s	0 Mbps	0%		Very low	Very low
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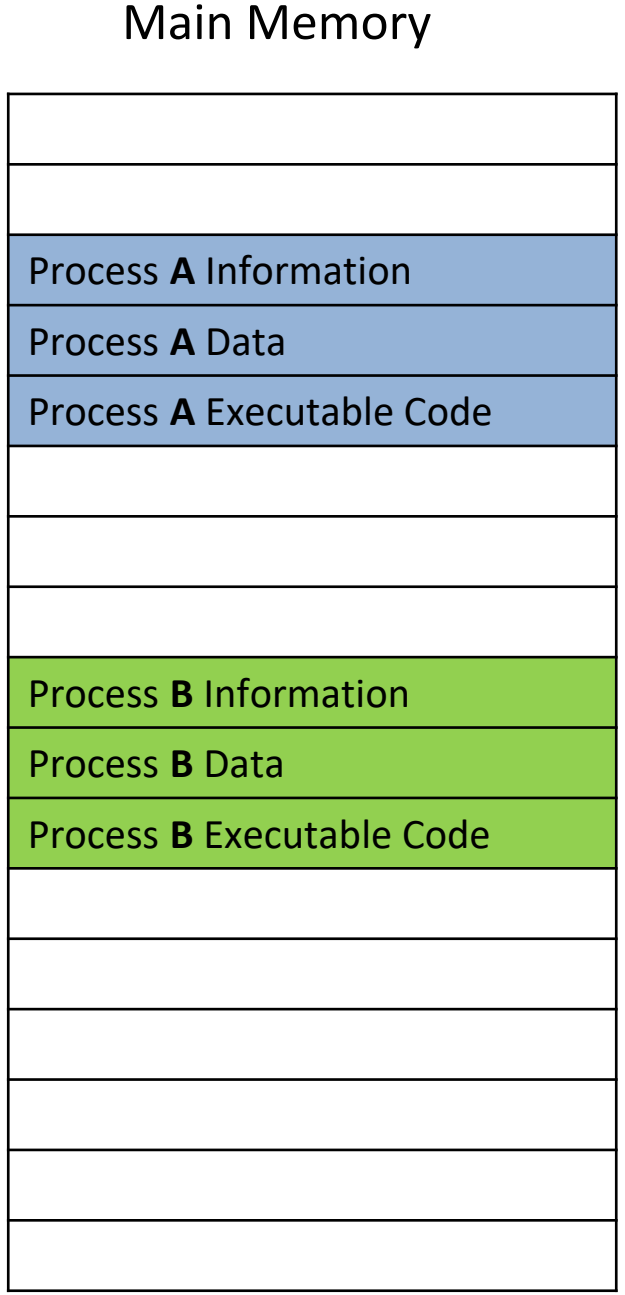
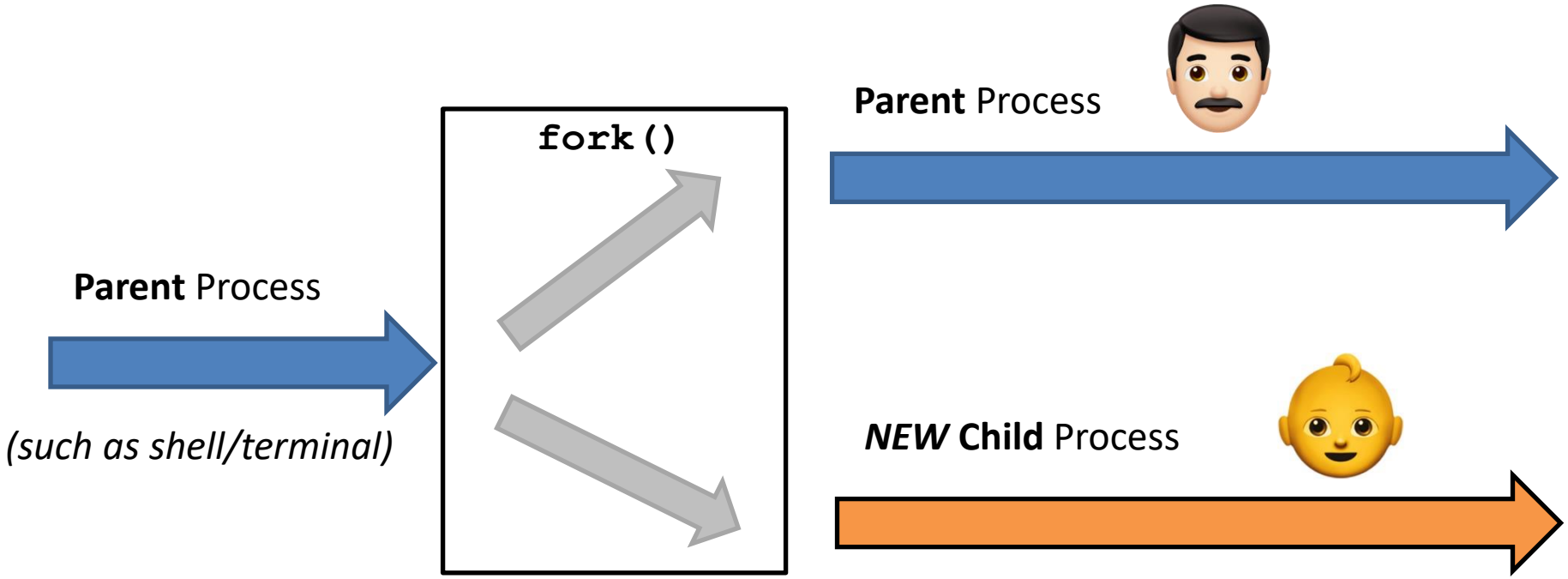


Ok, but how do we *actually* create a process?

- In the Unix family (and others), we use **`fork()`** to create a new process



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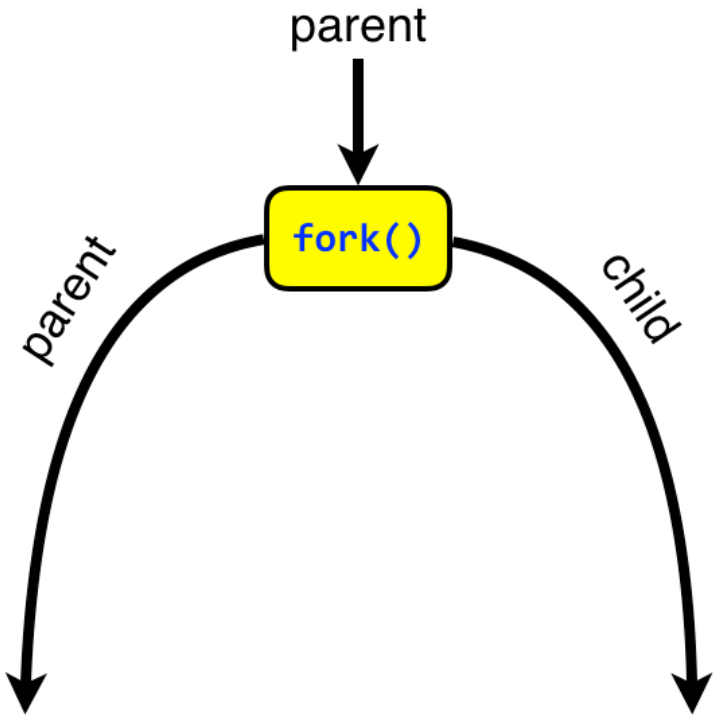

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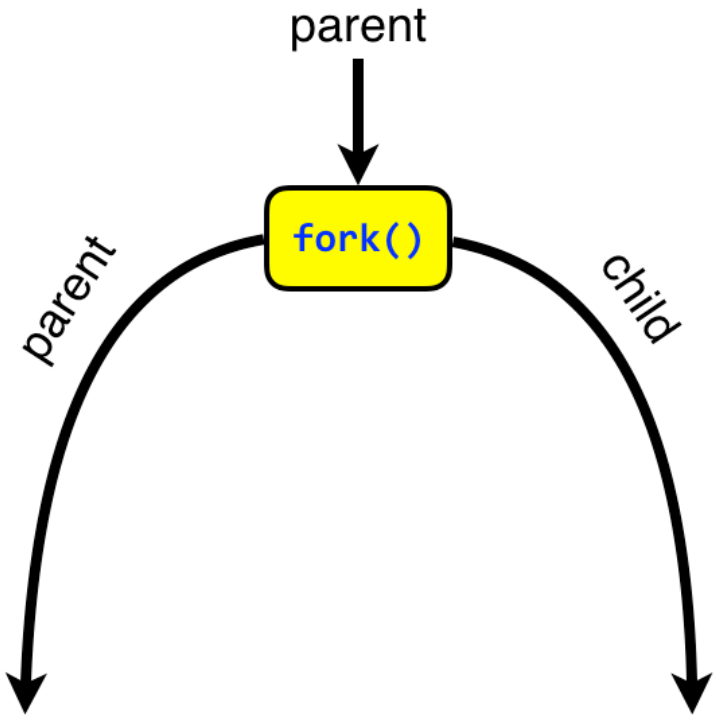

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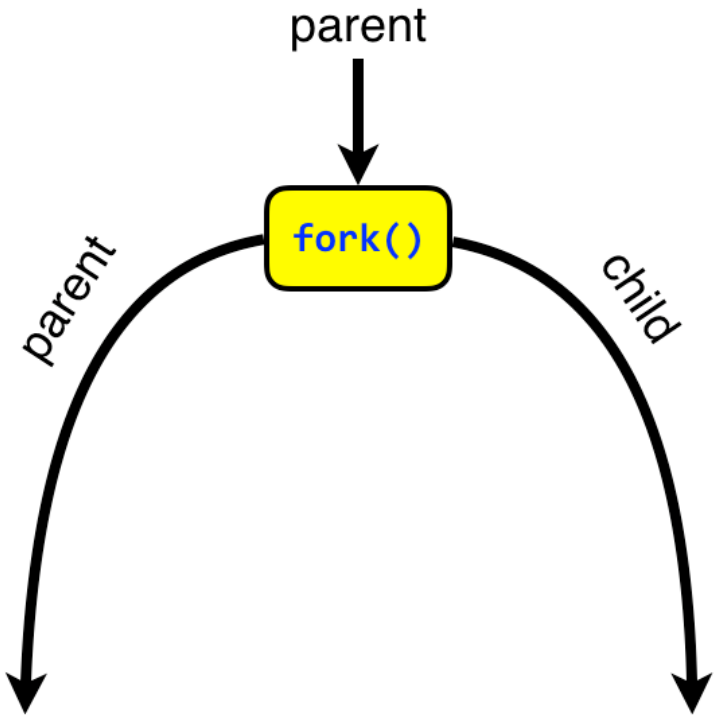

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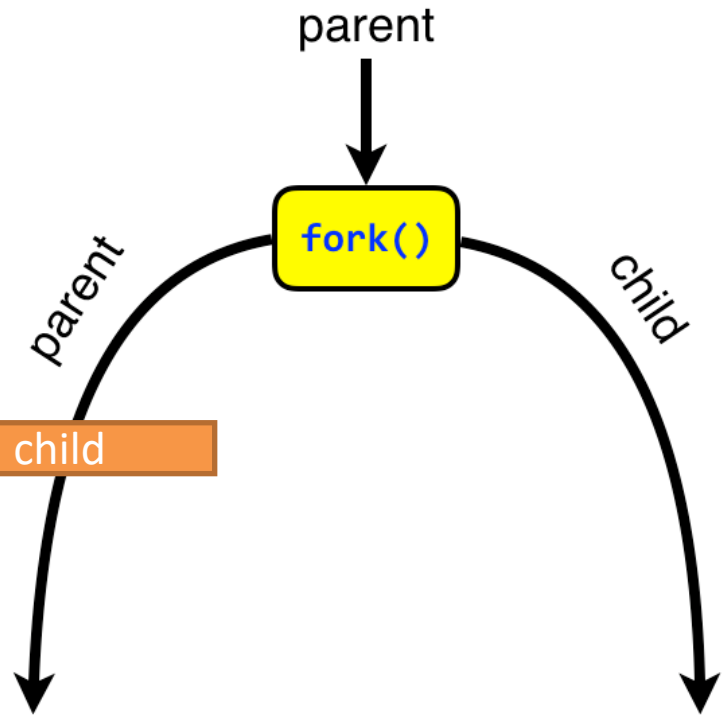

3. **`fork()`** always returns 0 for the child process, so the child process will execute the code in the if statement

Demo?

fork1.c

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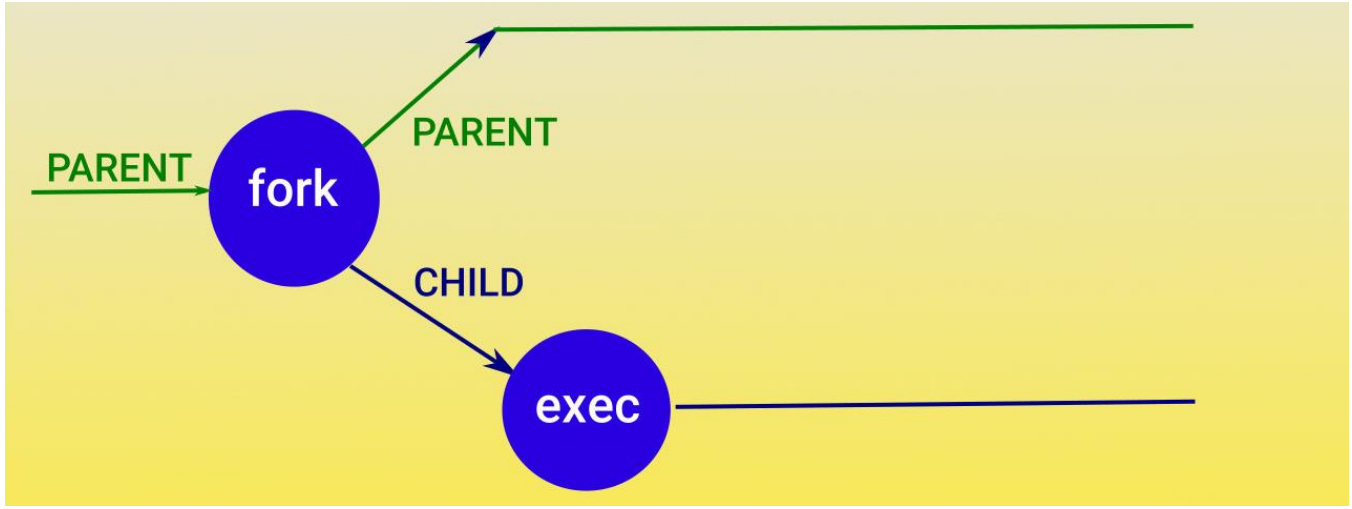

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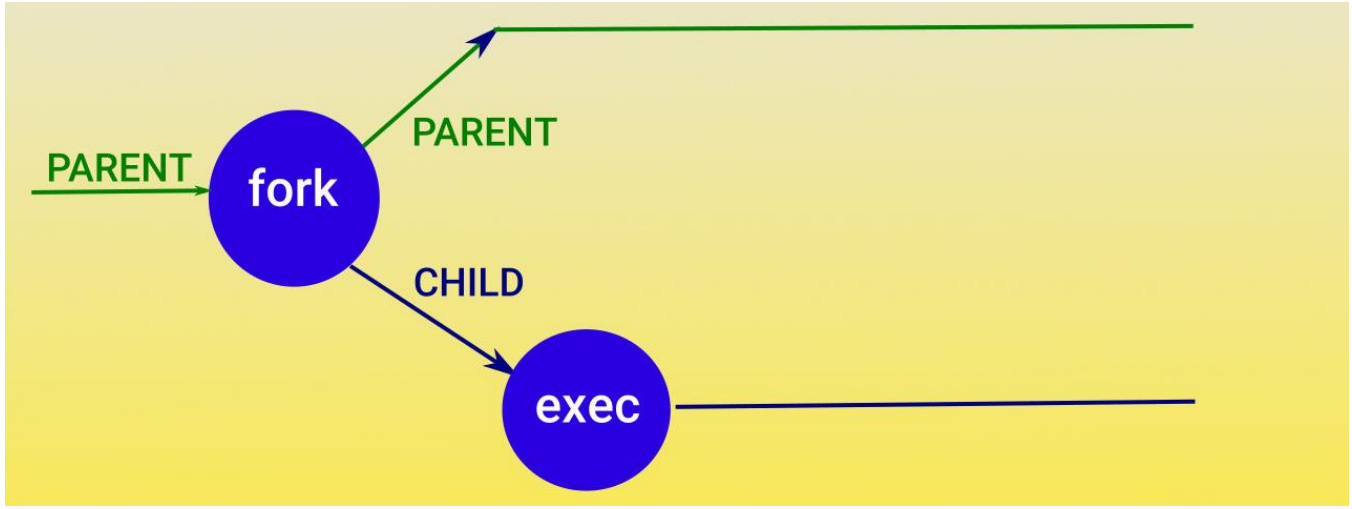

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This will invoke a program called `hello`

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output

```
[01/25/23]seed@VM:~$ ./forkexec
Hello from the C program!
I'm the parent. My child has pid 33578
```

Demo?

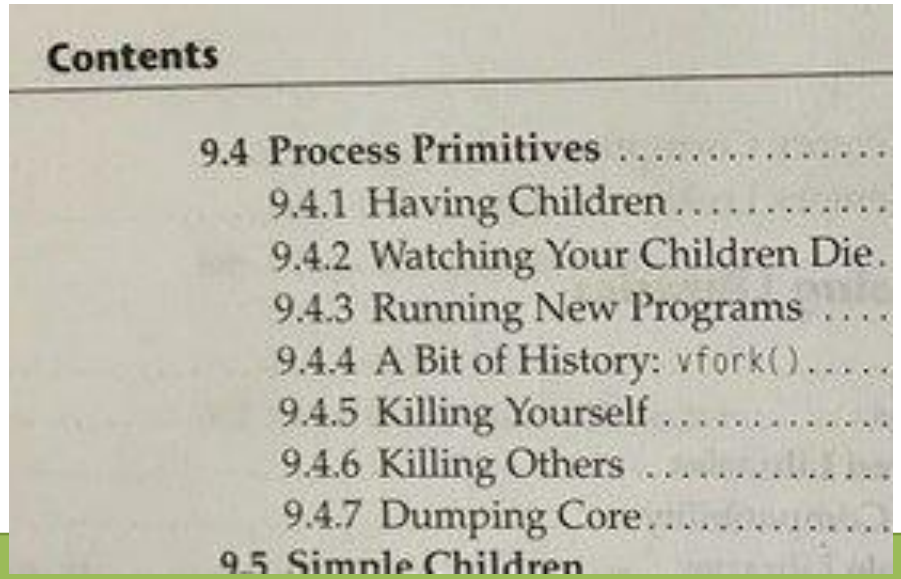
forkandexec.c

Tl;dr

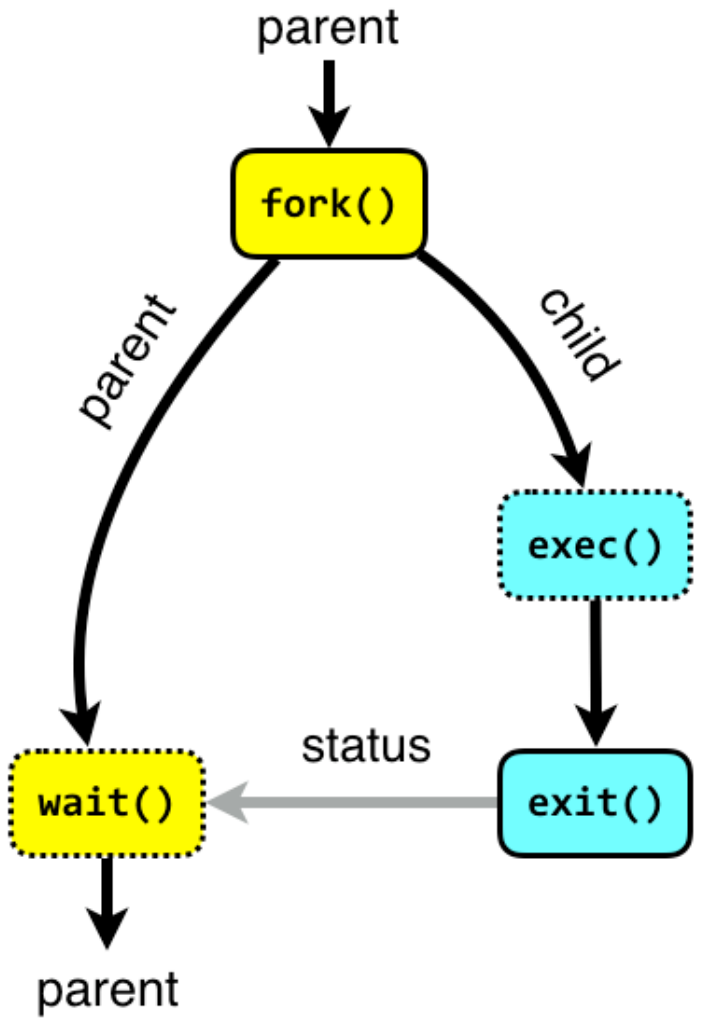
The programs we run get turned into a **process**

fork() is used to create a new process

- The parent process is typically the shell/terminal, and waits for the child process to finish
- The child process runs **exec()** to run our program



you can kill children with the `kill()` function
or `kill` command



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#include <unistd.h>

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    return 0;
}
```

Any ideas what might happen?

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    }
    return 0;
}
```

“Oh, these forks() aren’t homemade. They were made in factory. A **fork() bomb** factory. This is a **fork() bomb**”

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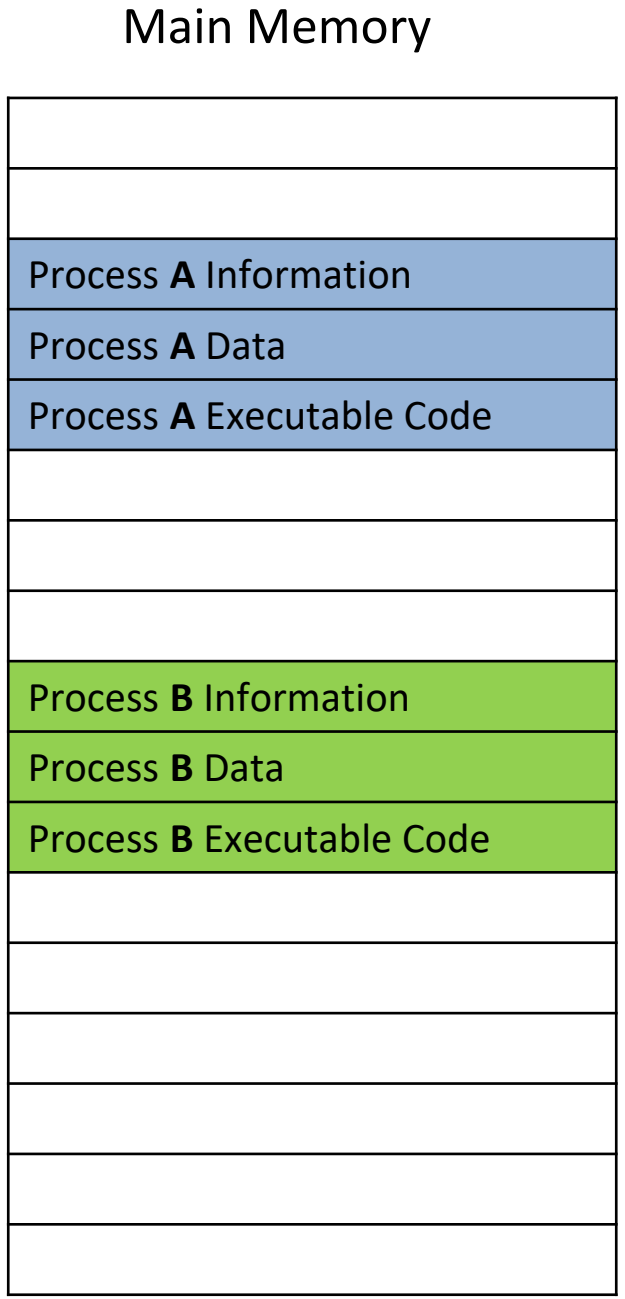

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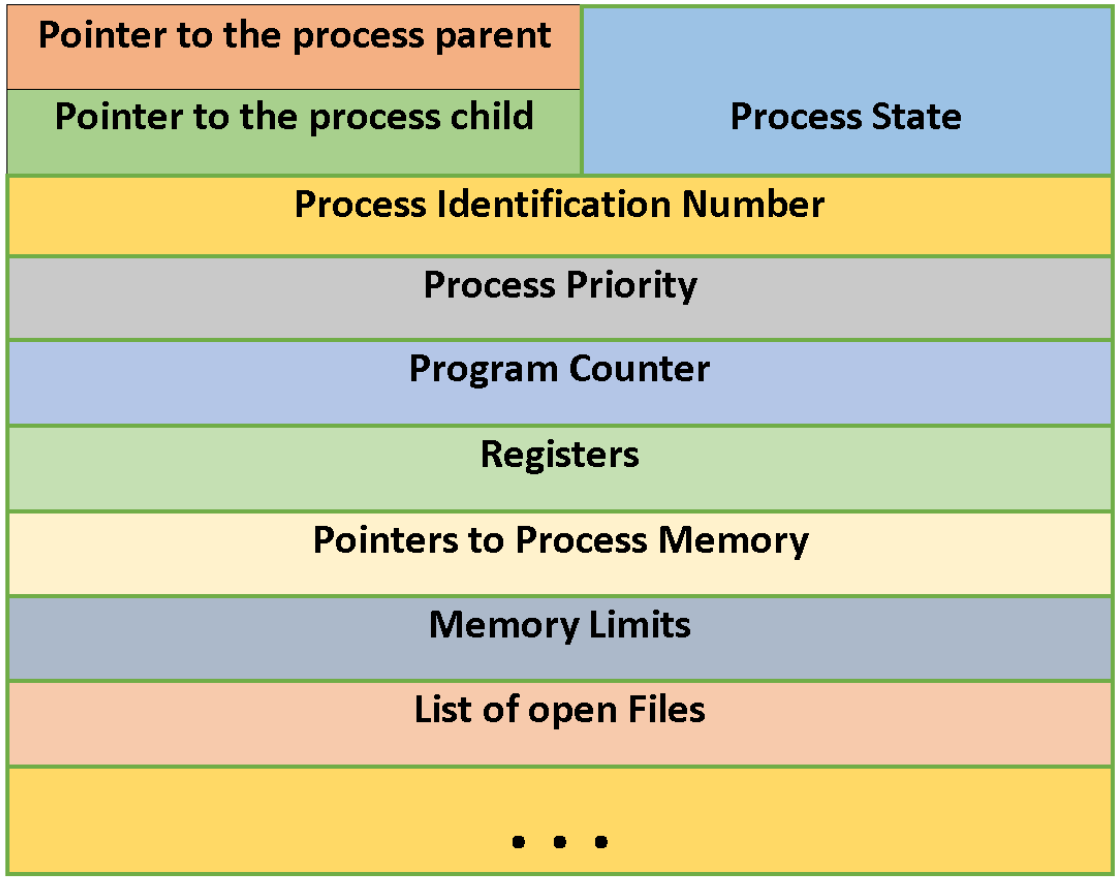

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Every process has a unique process ID (PID)

Process Name	User	% CPU	ID	Memory	Disk read tot	D
at-spi2-registryd	seed	0	1870	196.0 KiB	120.0 KiB	
at-spi-bus-launcher	seed	0	1779	292.0 KiB	28.0 KiB	
bash	seed	0	16245	1.6 MiB	3.1 MiB	
bash	seed	0	20664	1.8 MiB	72.7 MiB	
dbus-daemon	seed	0	1560	1.5 MiB	420.0 KiB	

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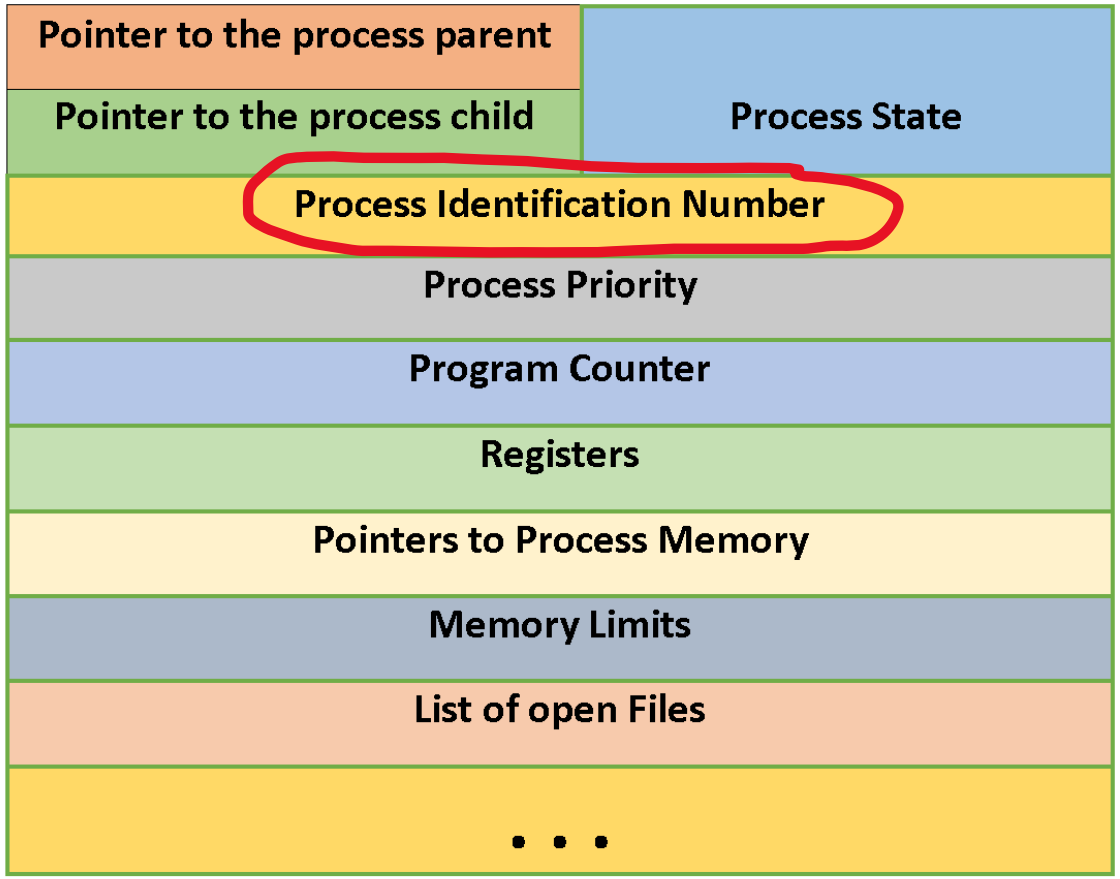

We can use the PID to search for process, kill process, fork new process, etc

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Each process has a program counter (PC), which tells the CPU the next instruction to run in the process

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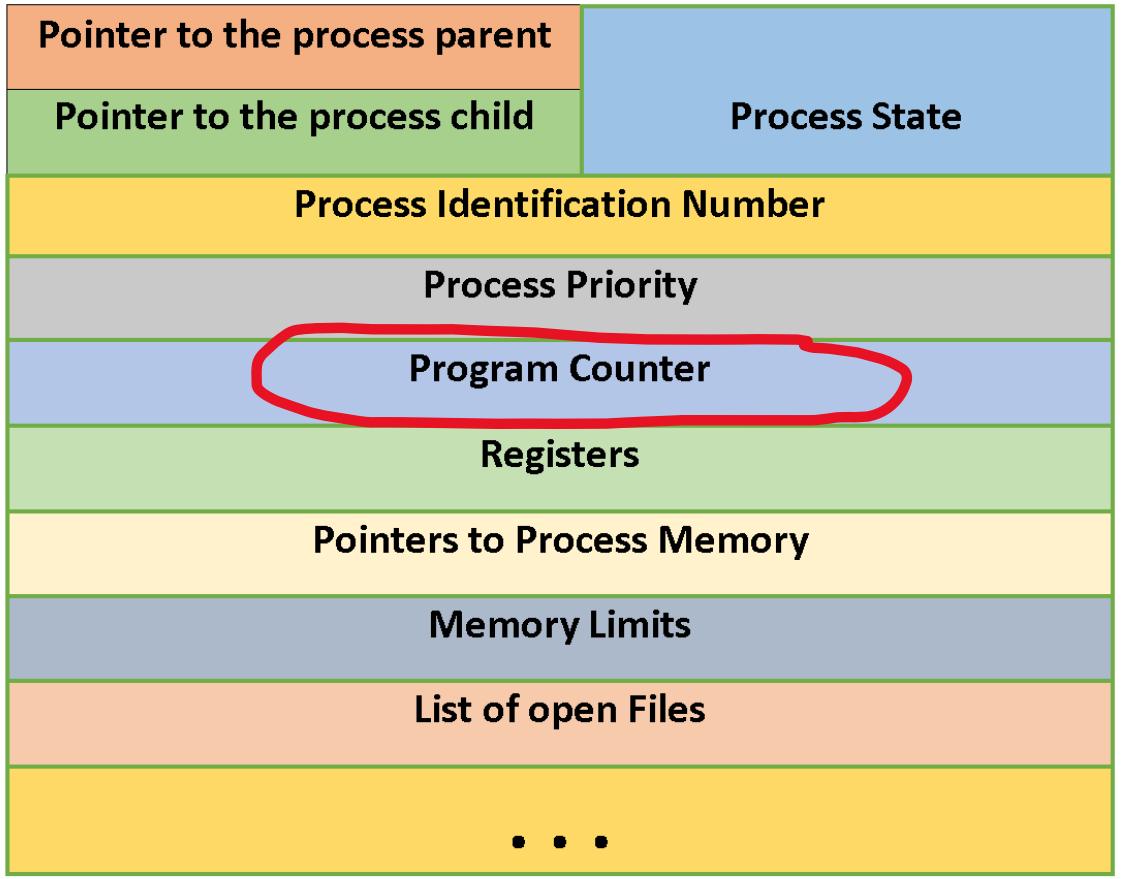

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PCB also maintains locations for the process Data and Code

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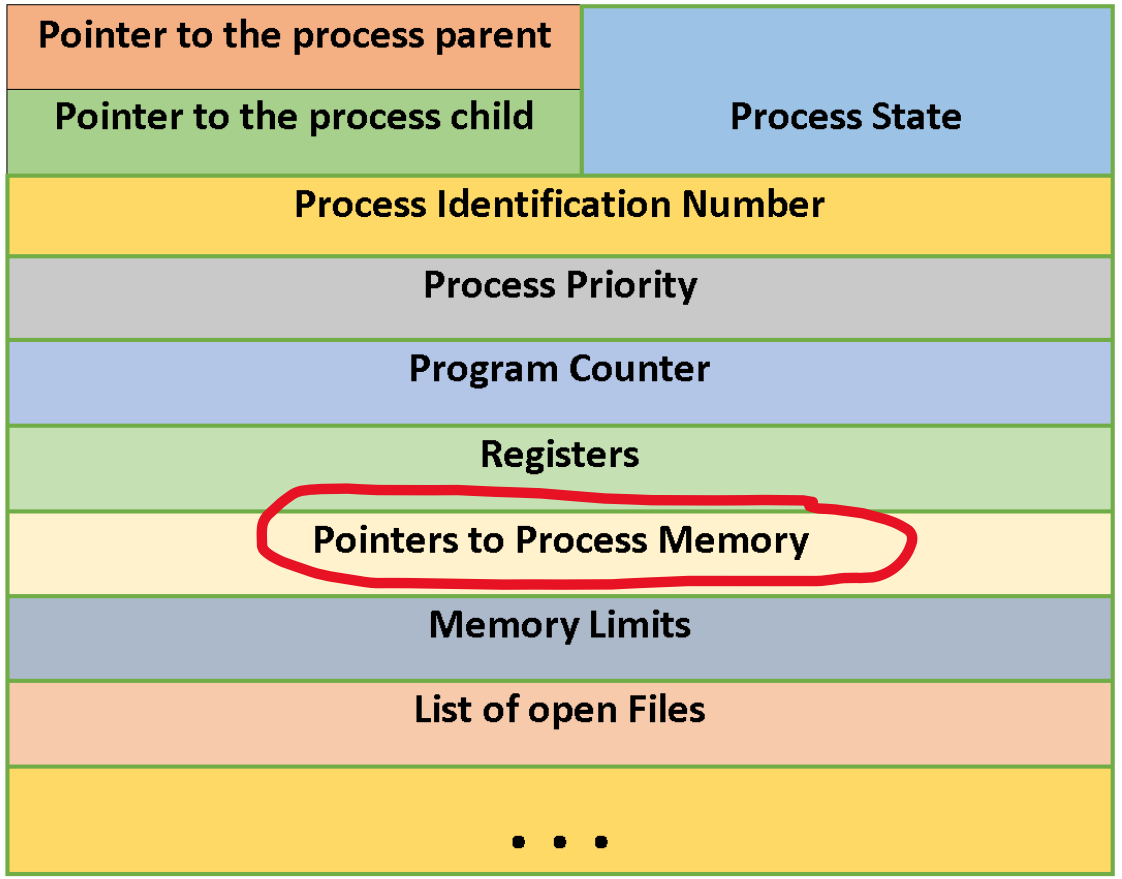

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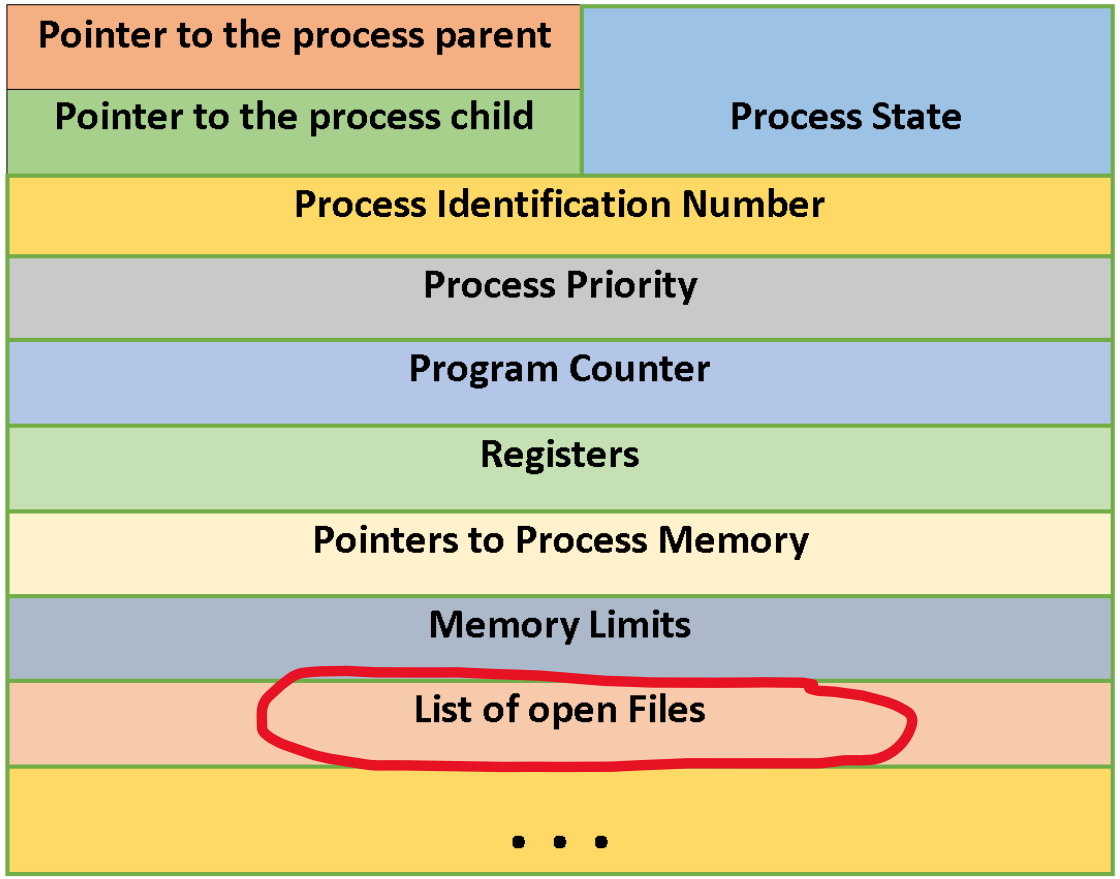

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PCB keeps track of who their parent is, and any child process (good parenting)

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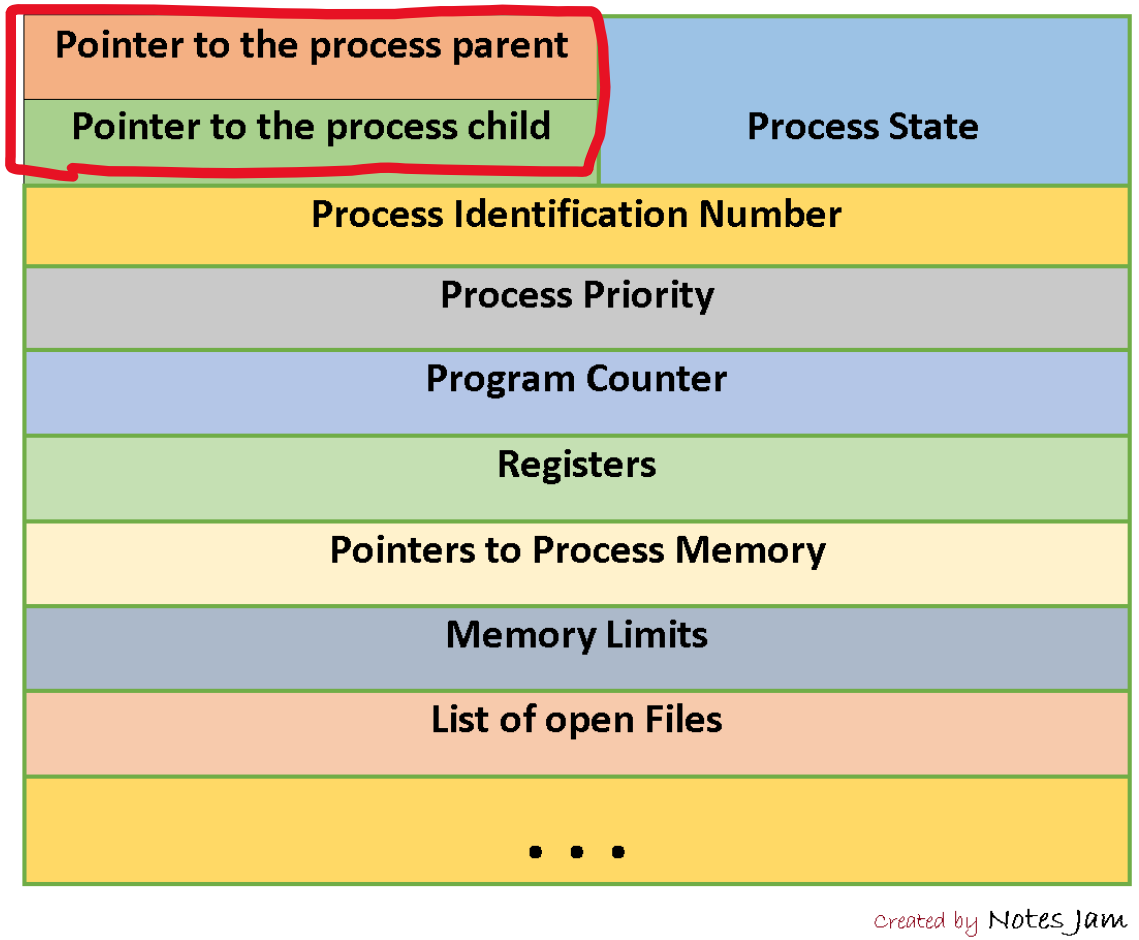

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A process goes through many **states**

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- **Blocked**
- **Waiting**
- **Suspended**

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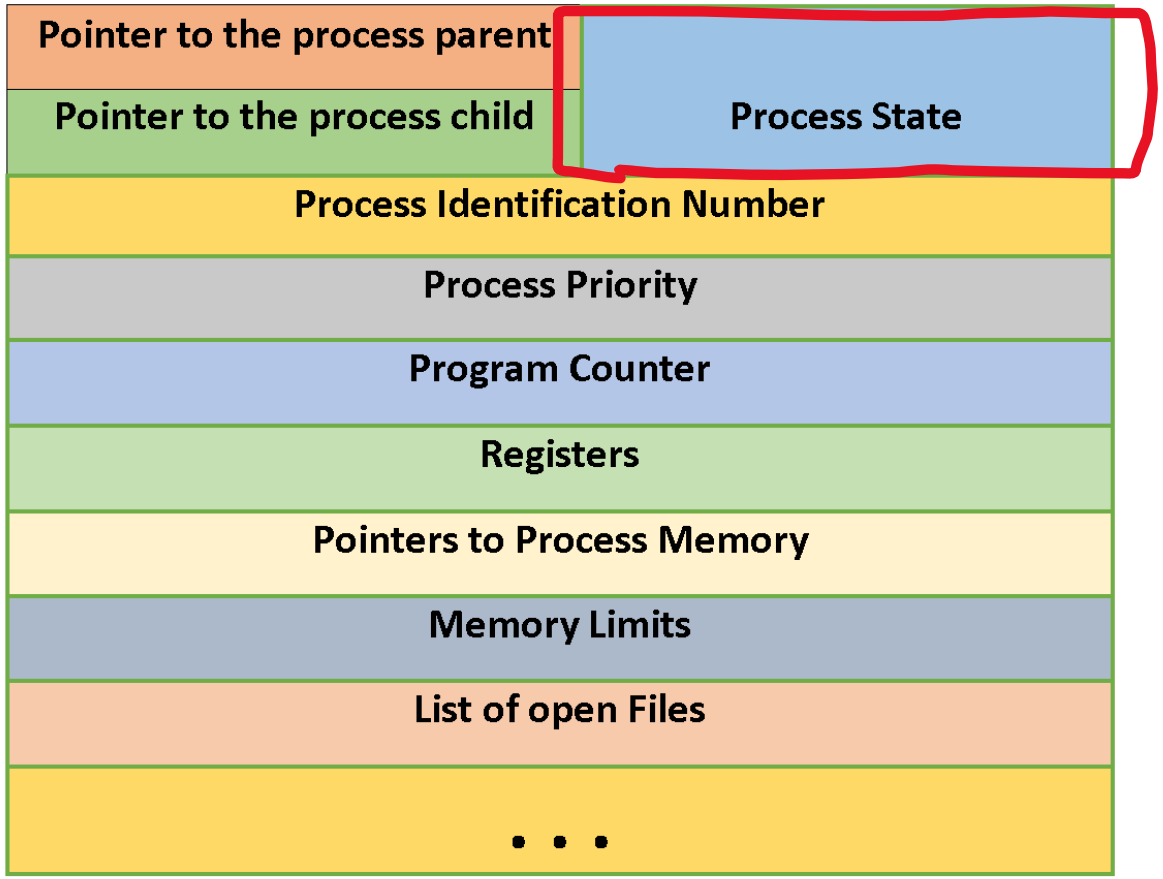

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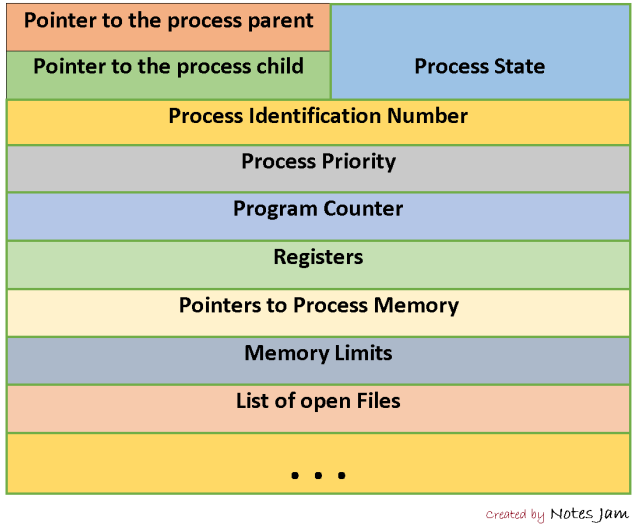

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1. Process Manager

"The Coach"

The OS manages many active processes all at once, and they must create processes, manage current process, and control which processes do what

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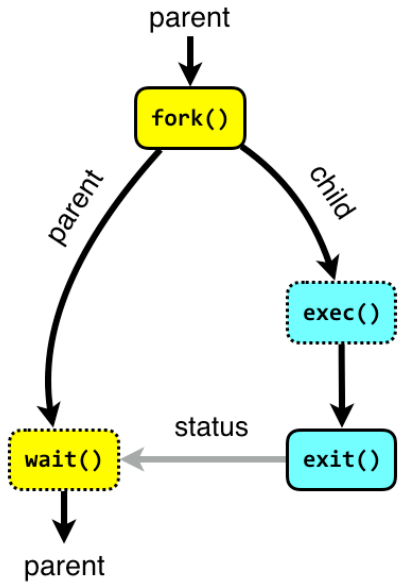

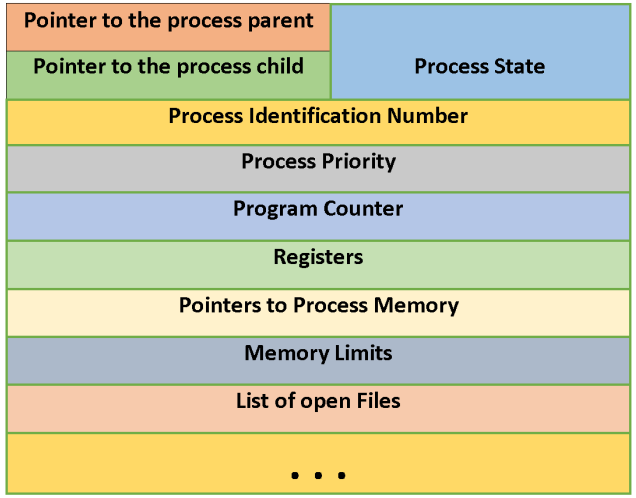

`./hello_world` → Fork() and exec() → Program is now running as a **process**

Demo time!

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    int pid;

    pid = fork();
    if (0 == pid) {
        // I'm the child
        printf("Hi, I'm the child. \n");
    }

    sleep(1);
    // we could wait() here
    printf("I'm the parent.);

    return 0;
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        execve(name[0], name, NULL);

        _exit(0);
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The jobs of an Operating System

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   "The Coach"
2. **Interface Manager**
   "The Bouncer"
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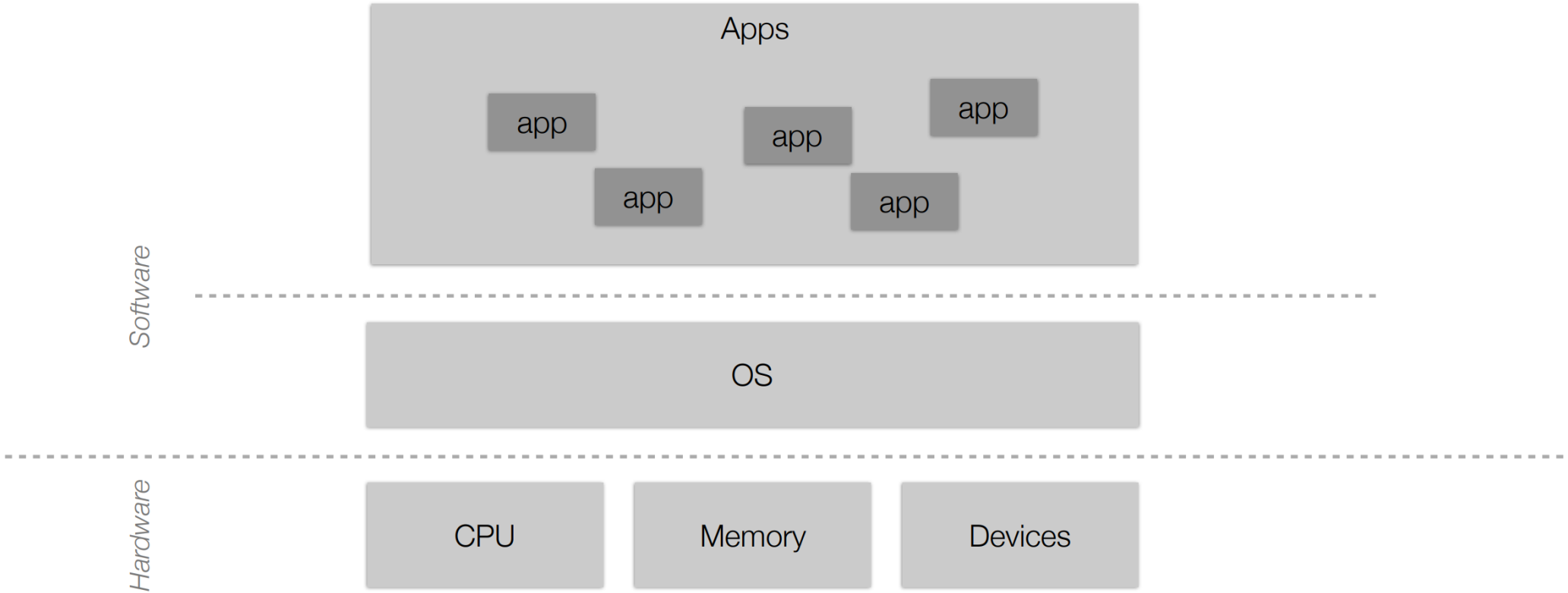

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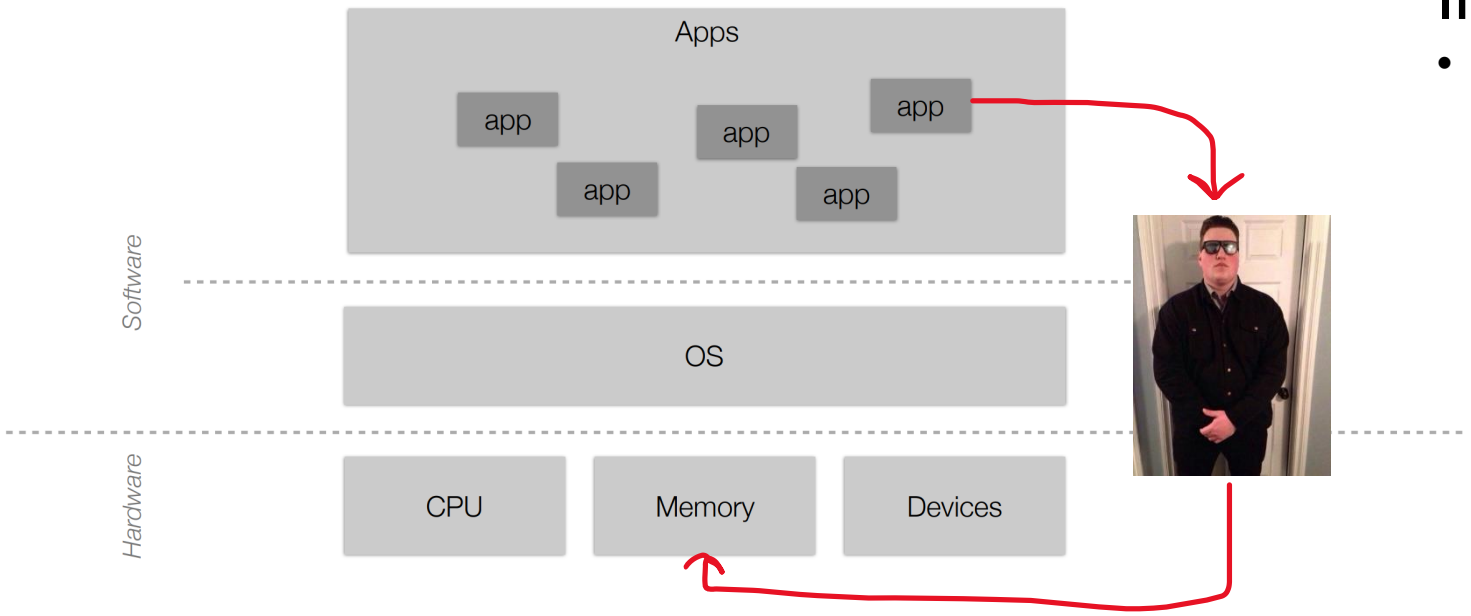

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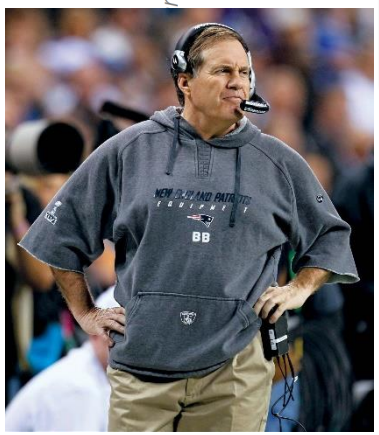

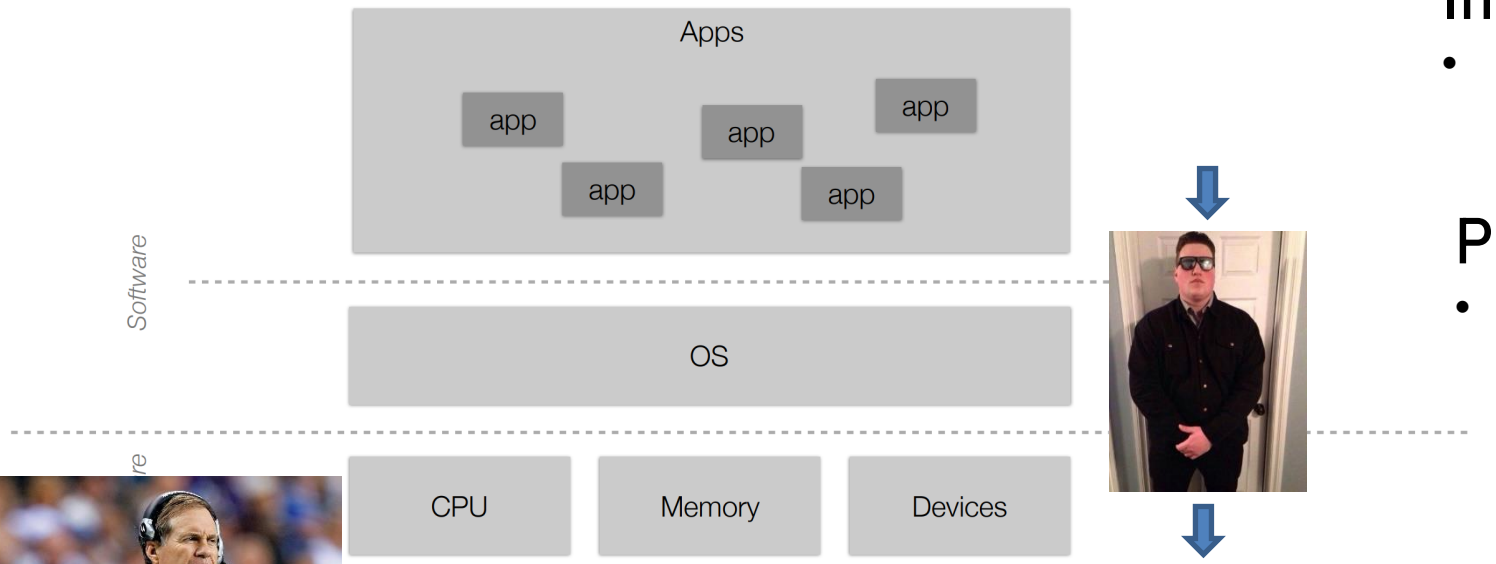

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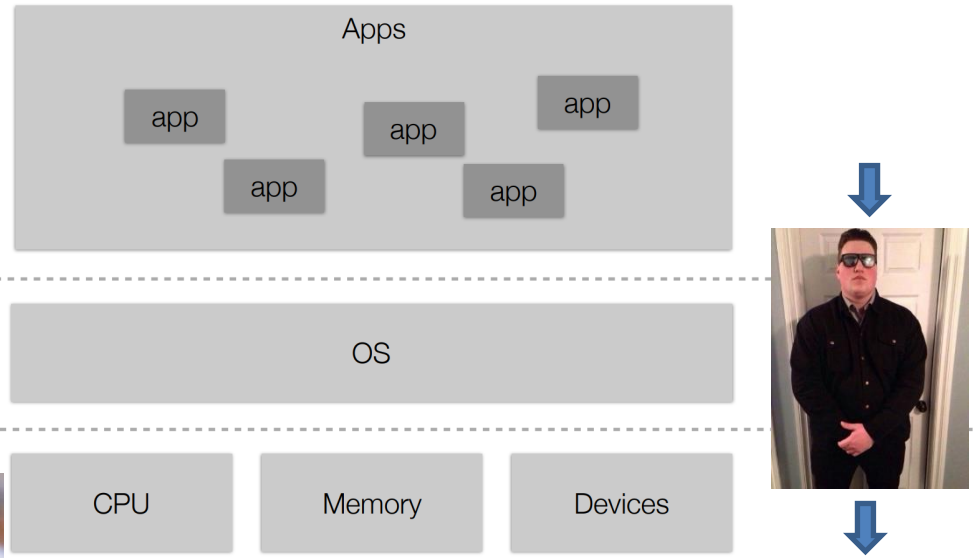

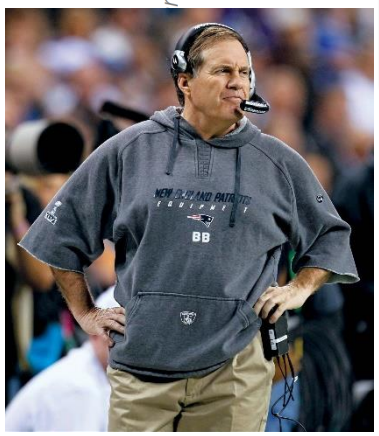

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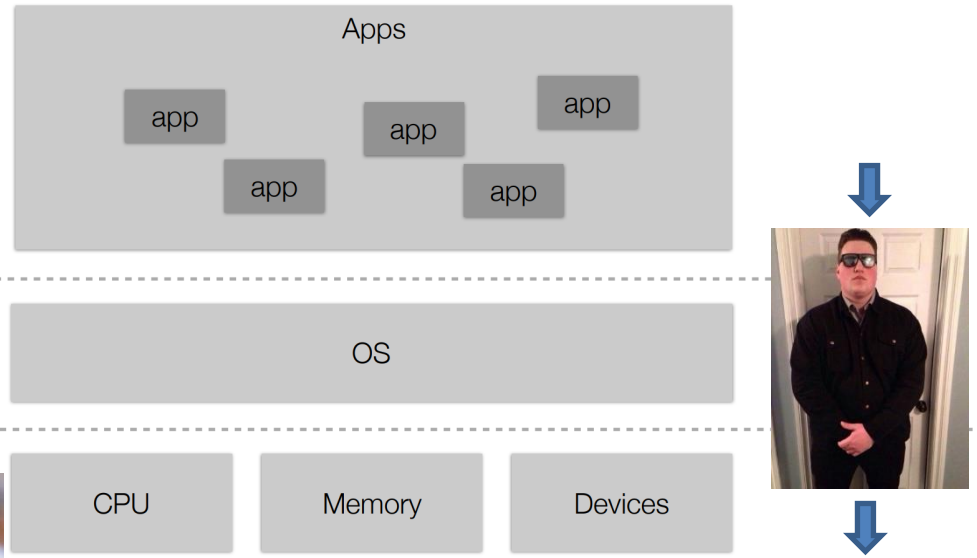

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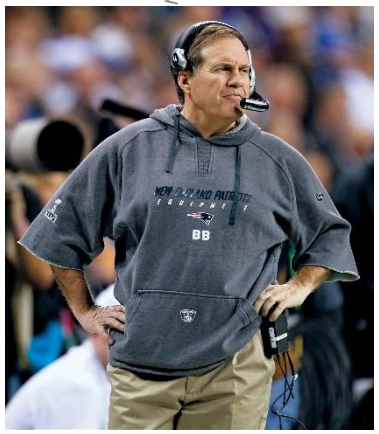

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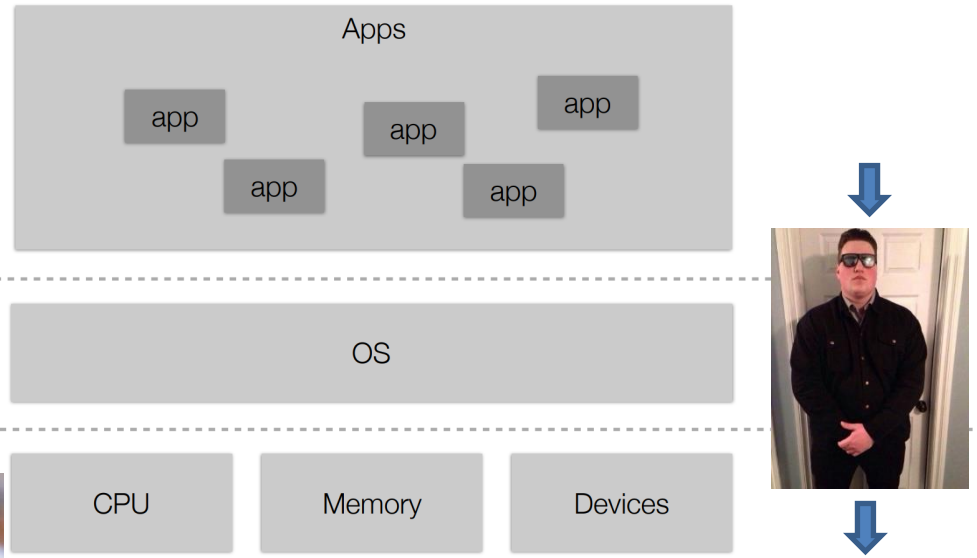

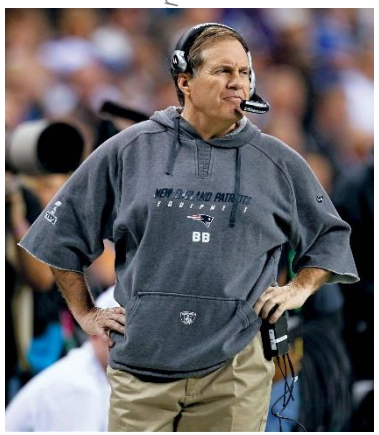

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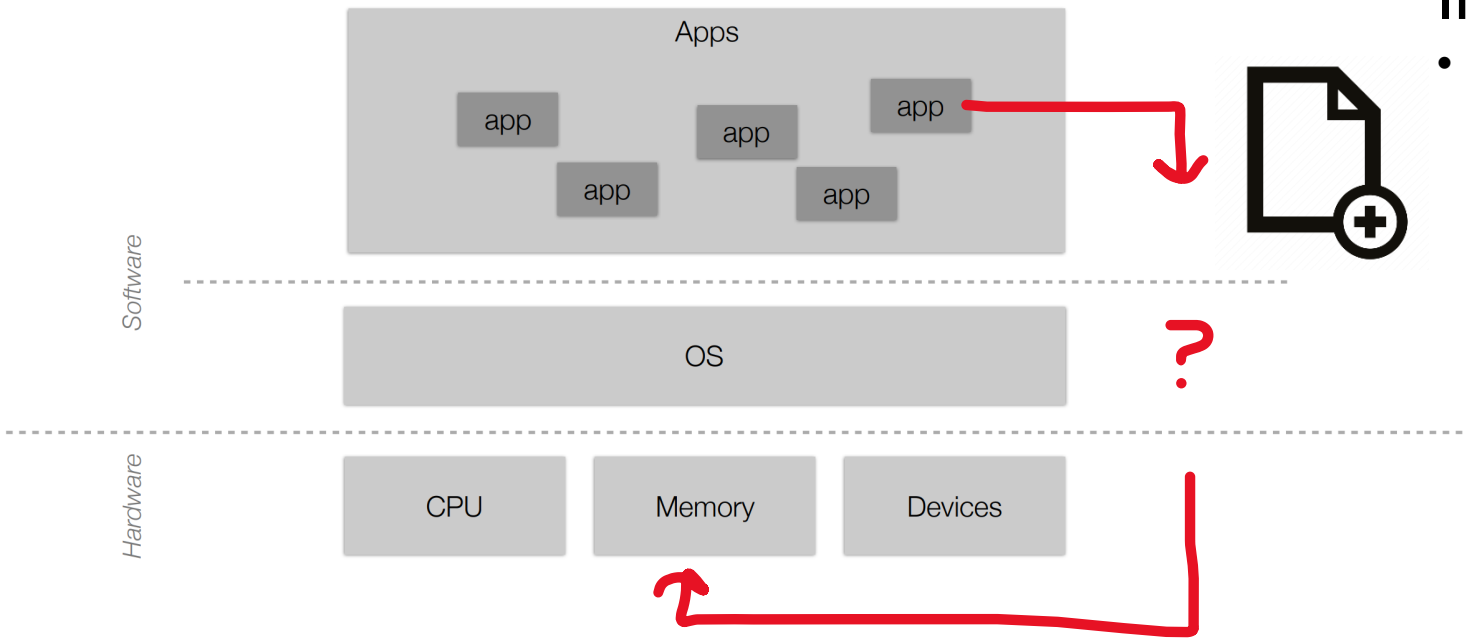

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How does an application get access to a computer's resources?

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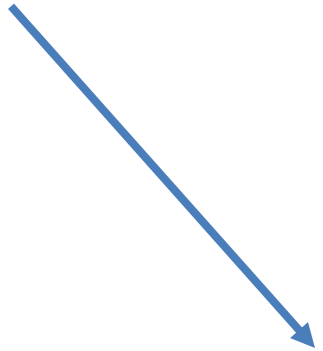

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Number	Name	Description
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2	fork	fork a child process
3	read	read data from a file or socket
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5	open	open a file or socket
6	close	close a file or socket
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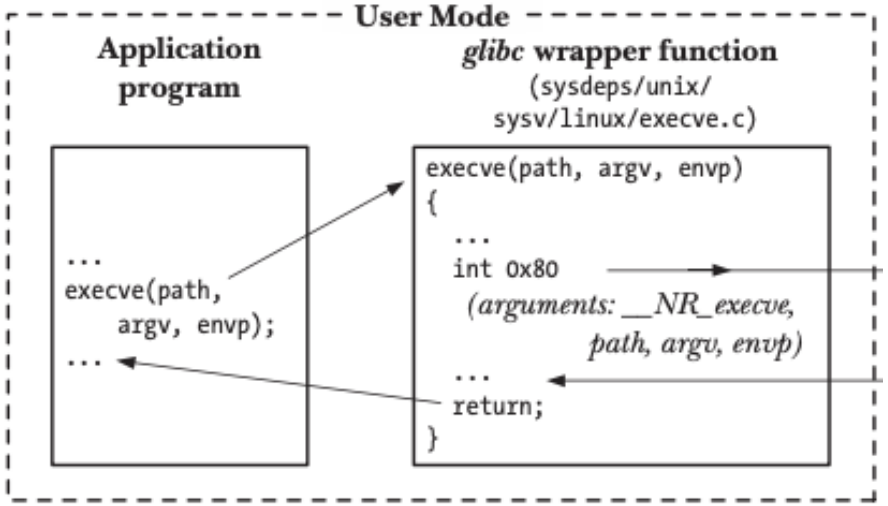

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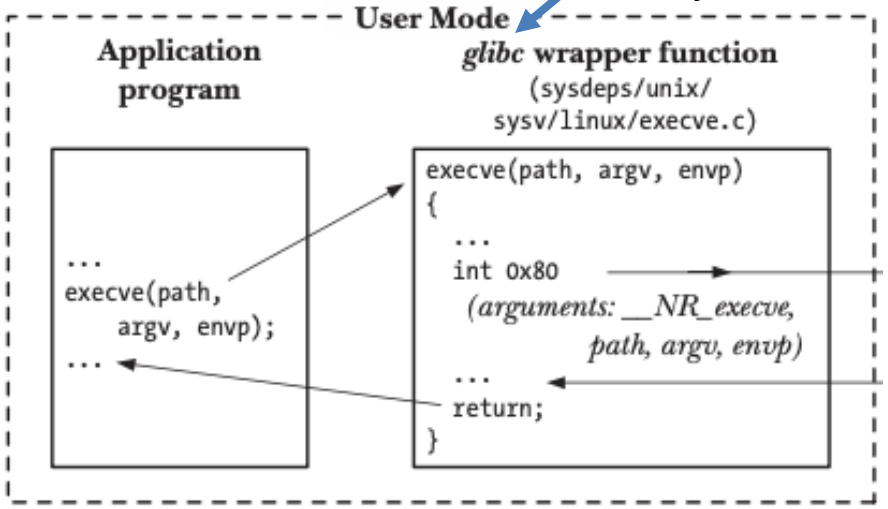

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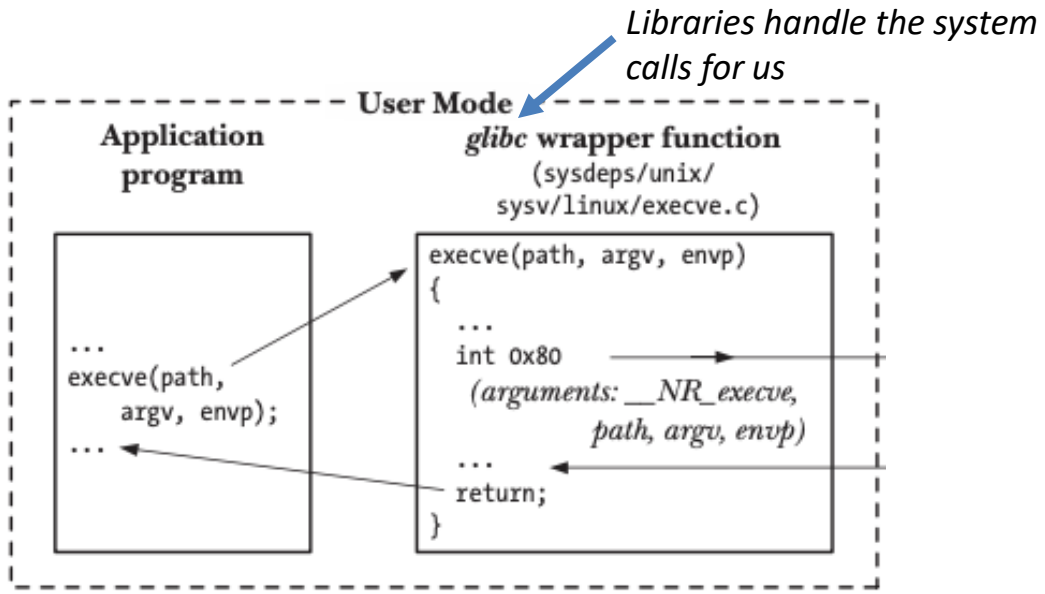

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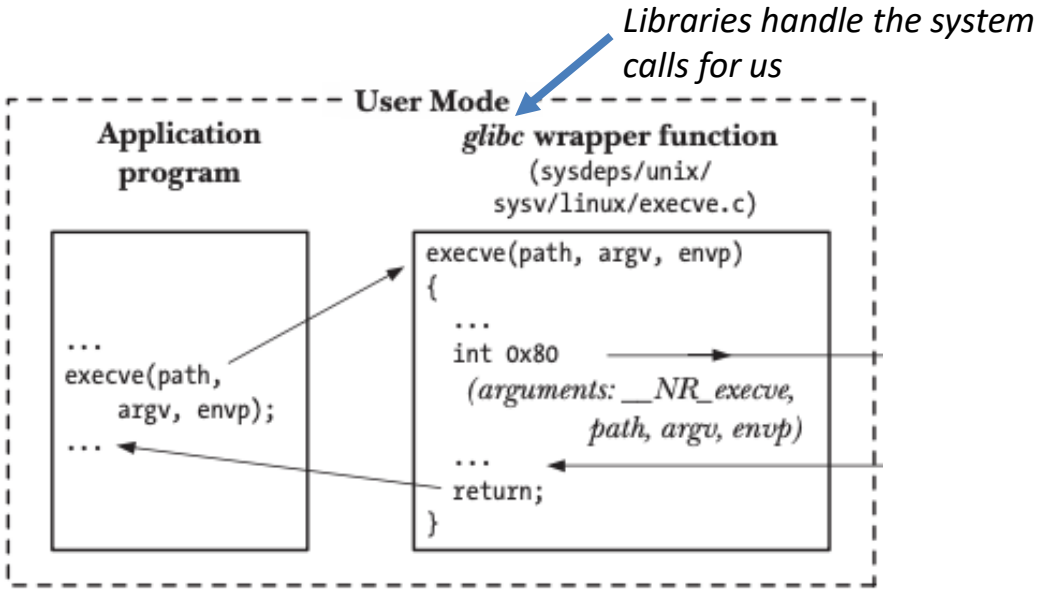

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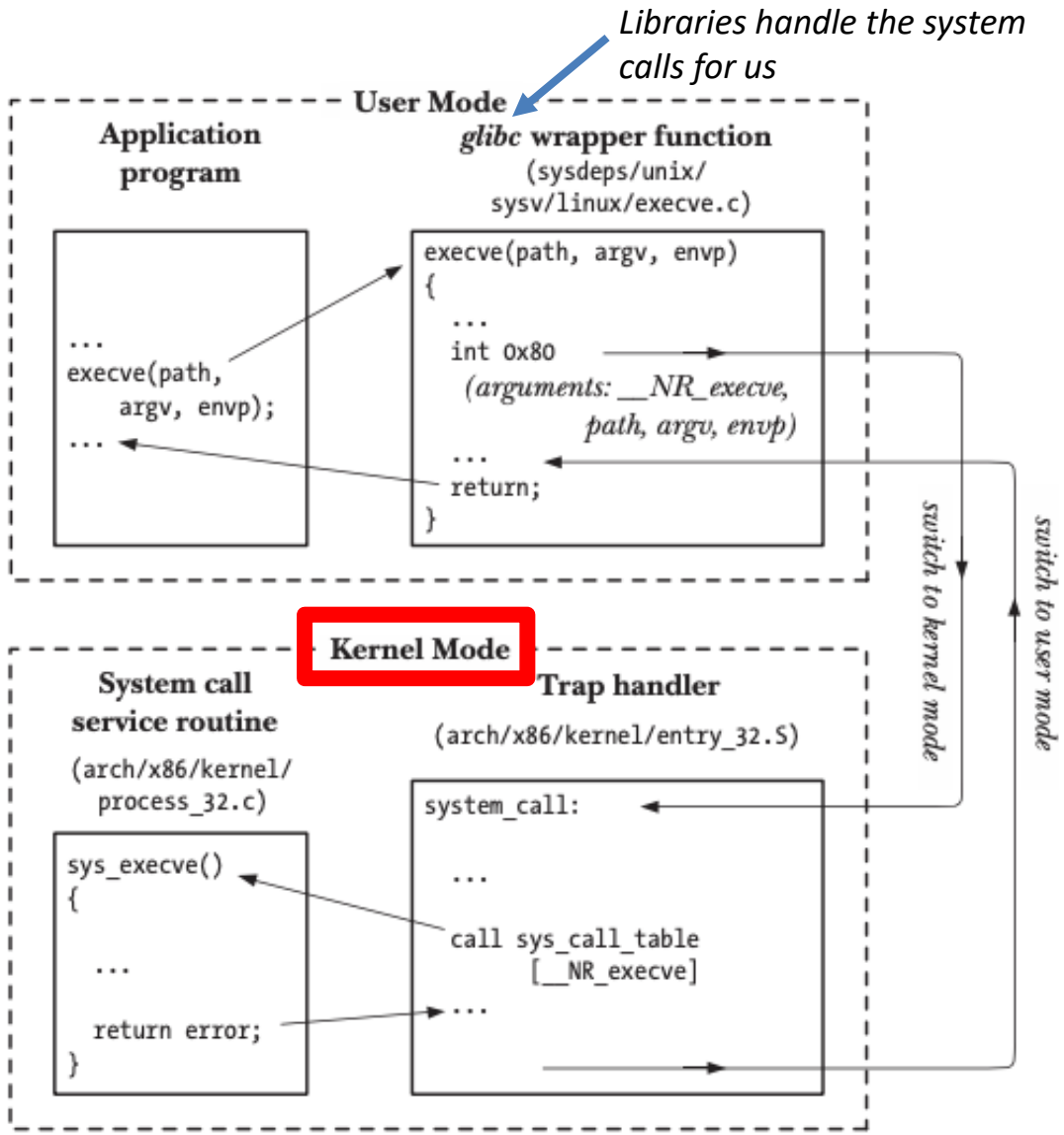
bc.c



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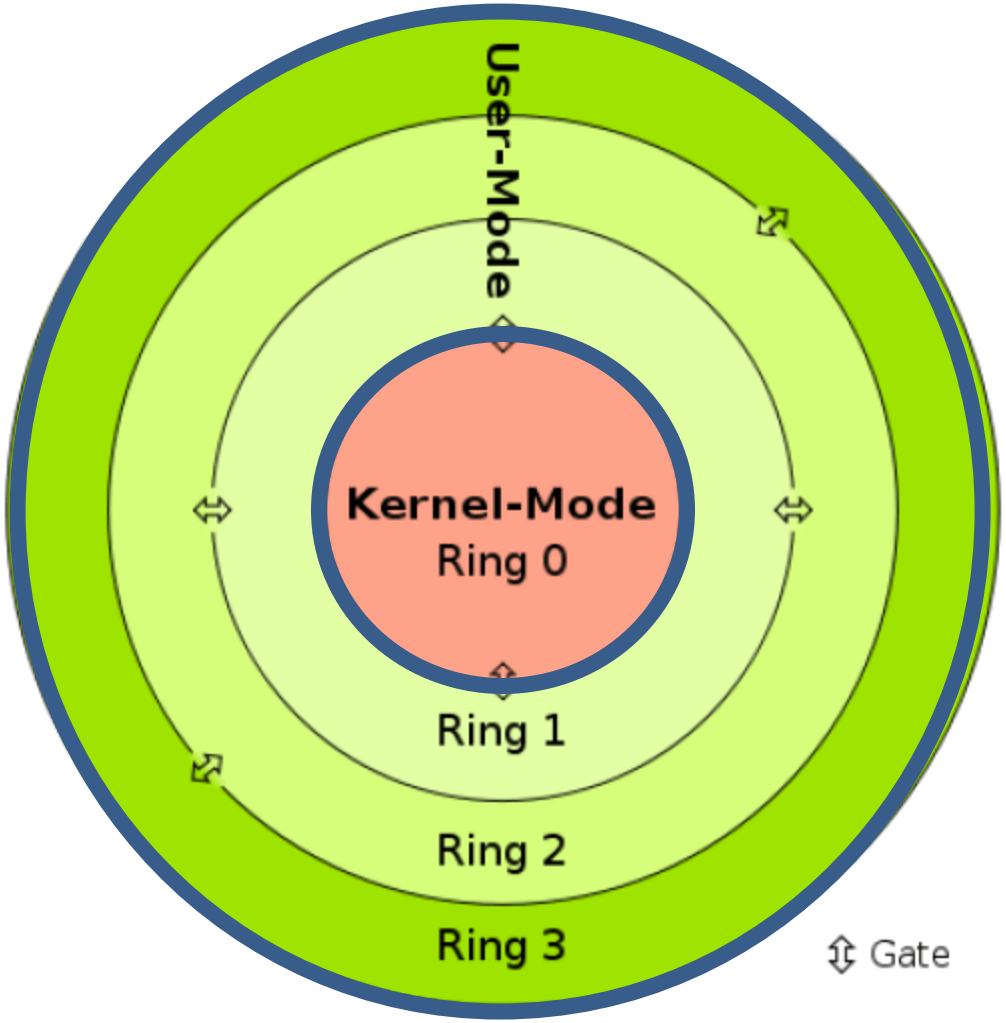

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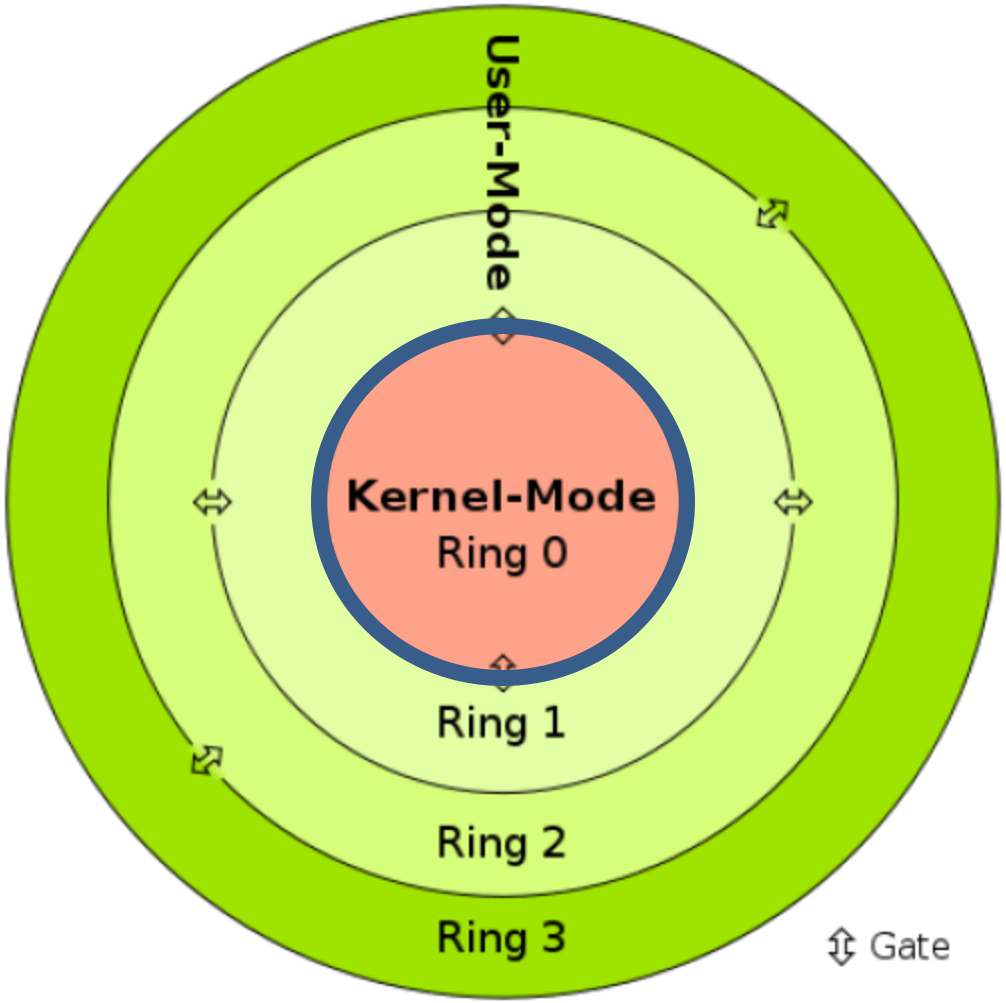

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Reserved for the lowest-level trusted functions of the operating system

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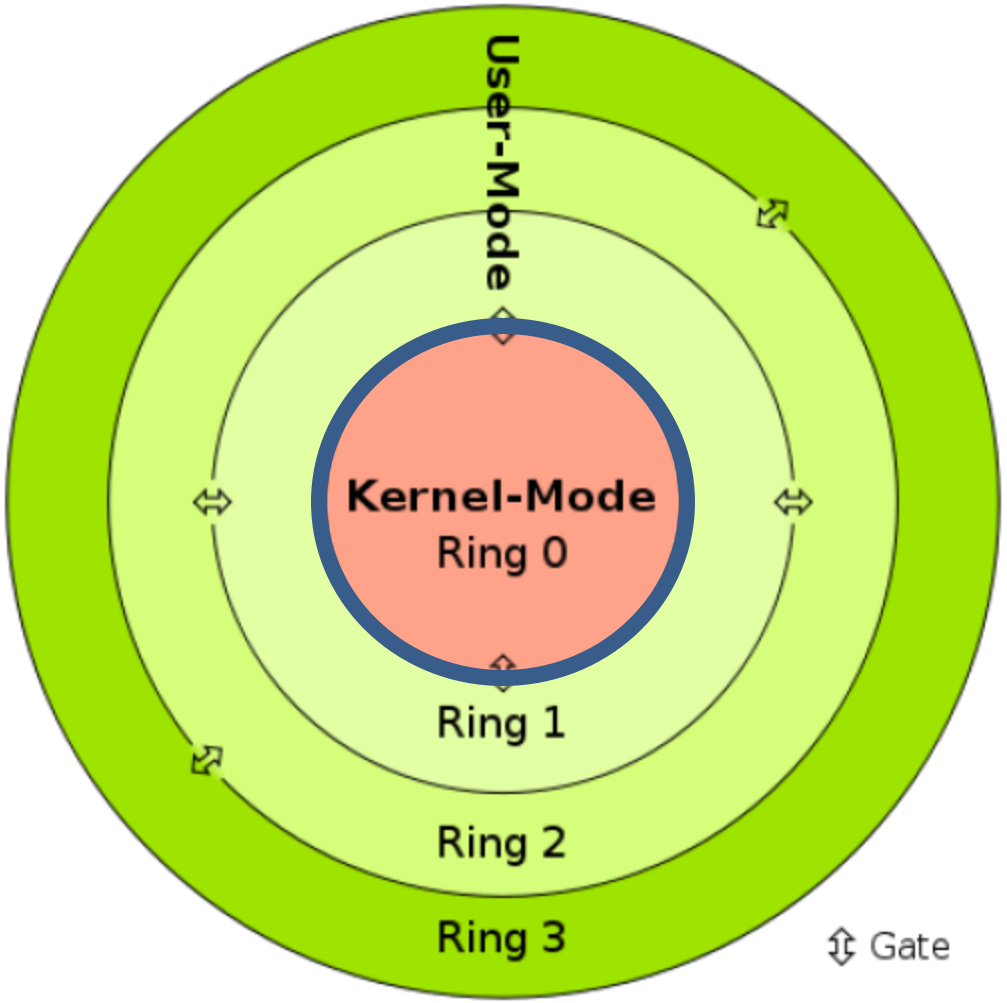

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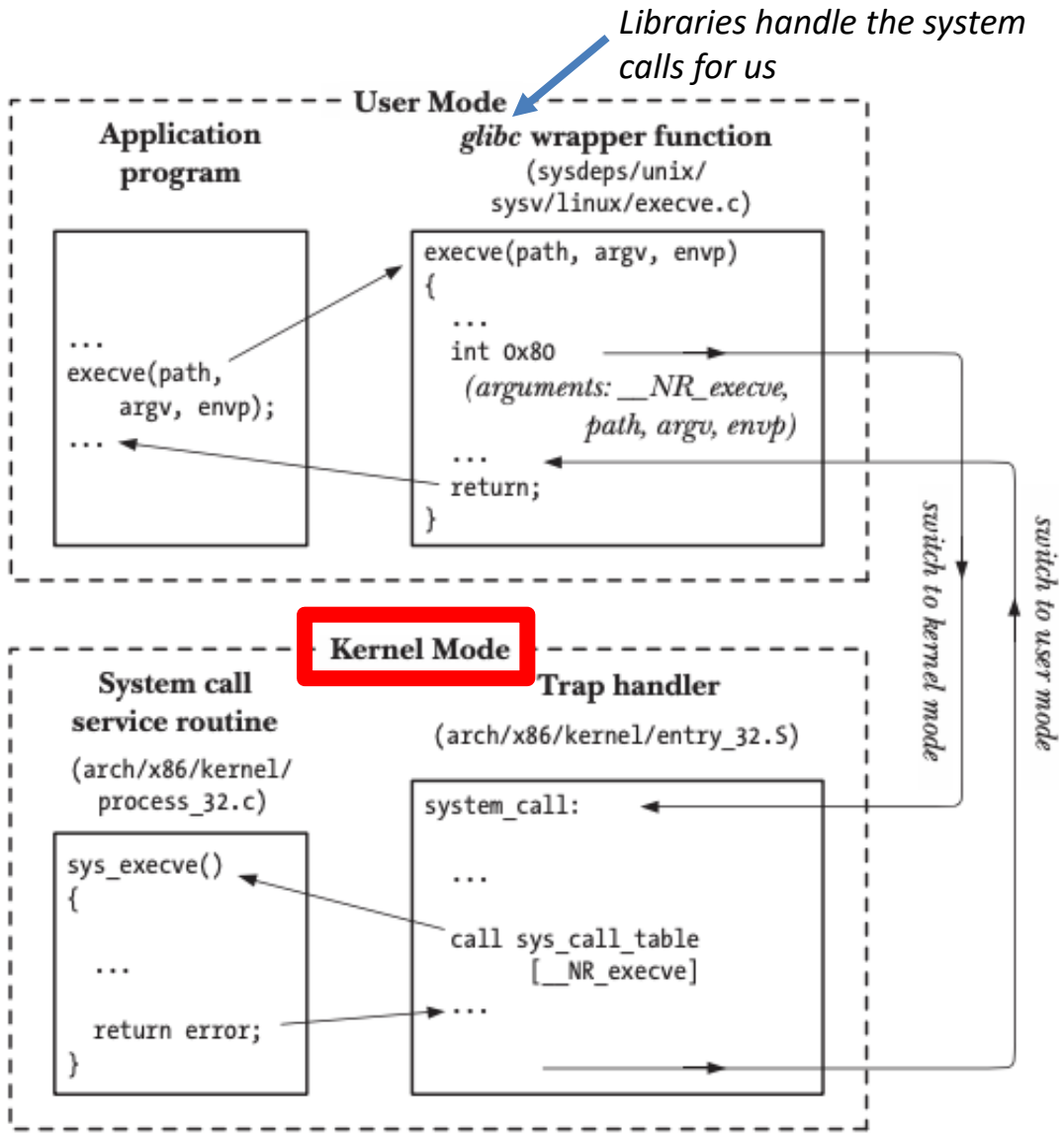

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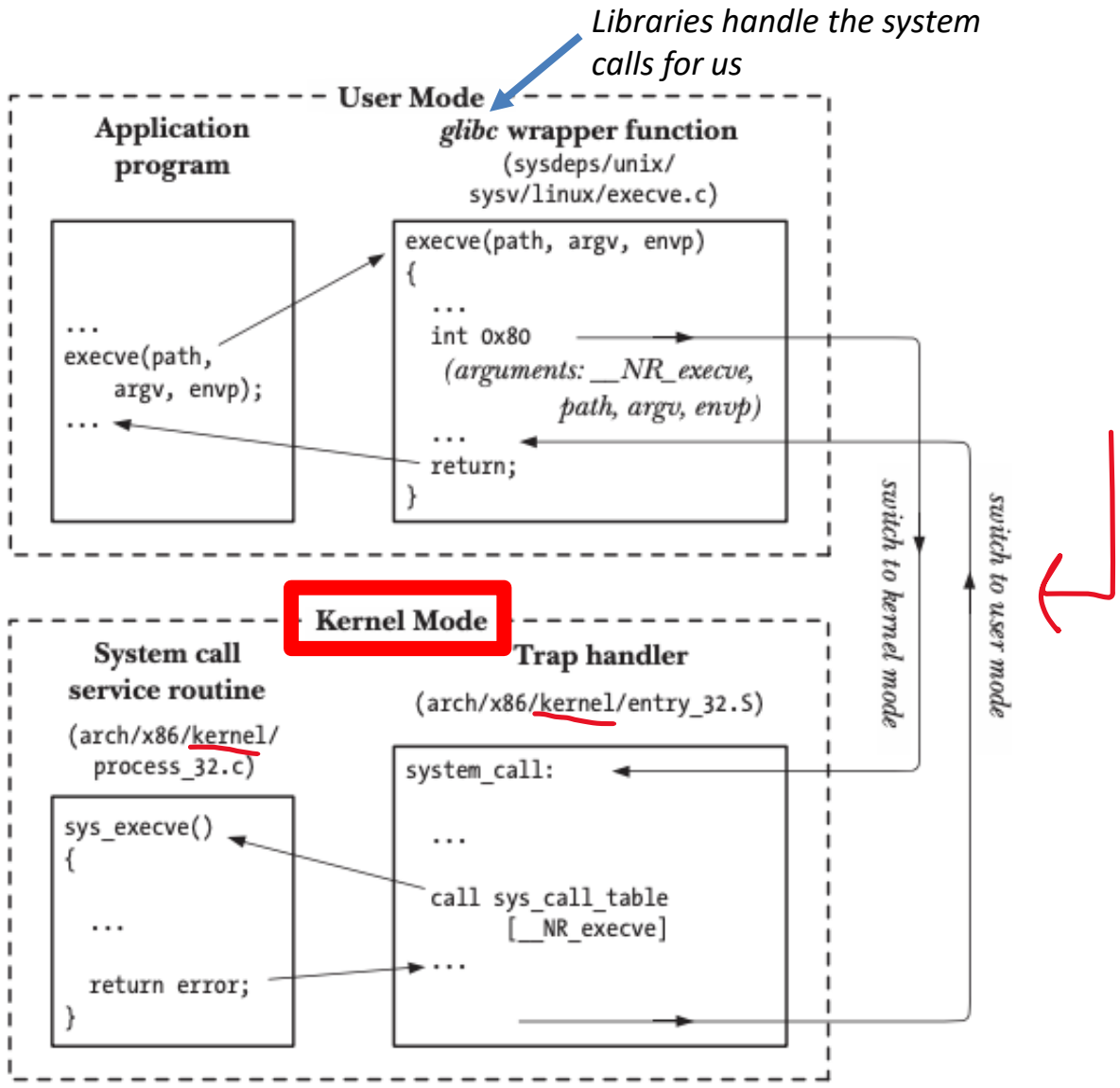

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3	read	man/ cs/	0x03	unsigned int fd	char *buf	size_t count	-	-	-
4	write	man/ cs/	0x04	unsigned int fd	const char *buf	size_t count	-	-	-
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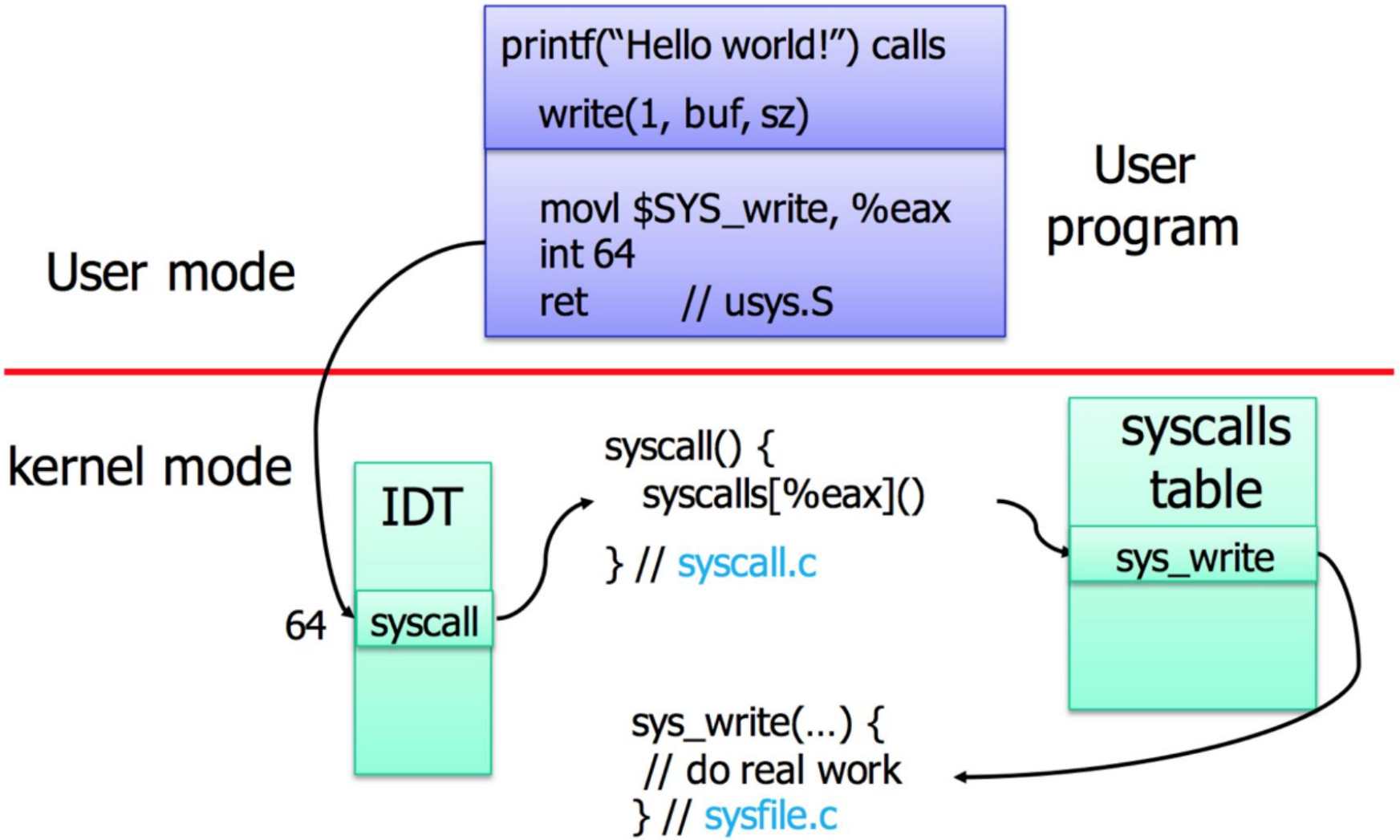
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write(1, buf, sz)
movl $SYS_write, %eax
int 64
ret // usys.S
User program
User mode
kernel mode
IDT
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syscall
syscall() {
syscalls[%eax]()
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sys_write(...) {
// do real work
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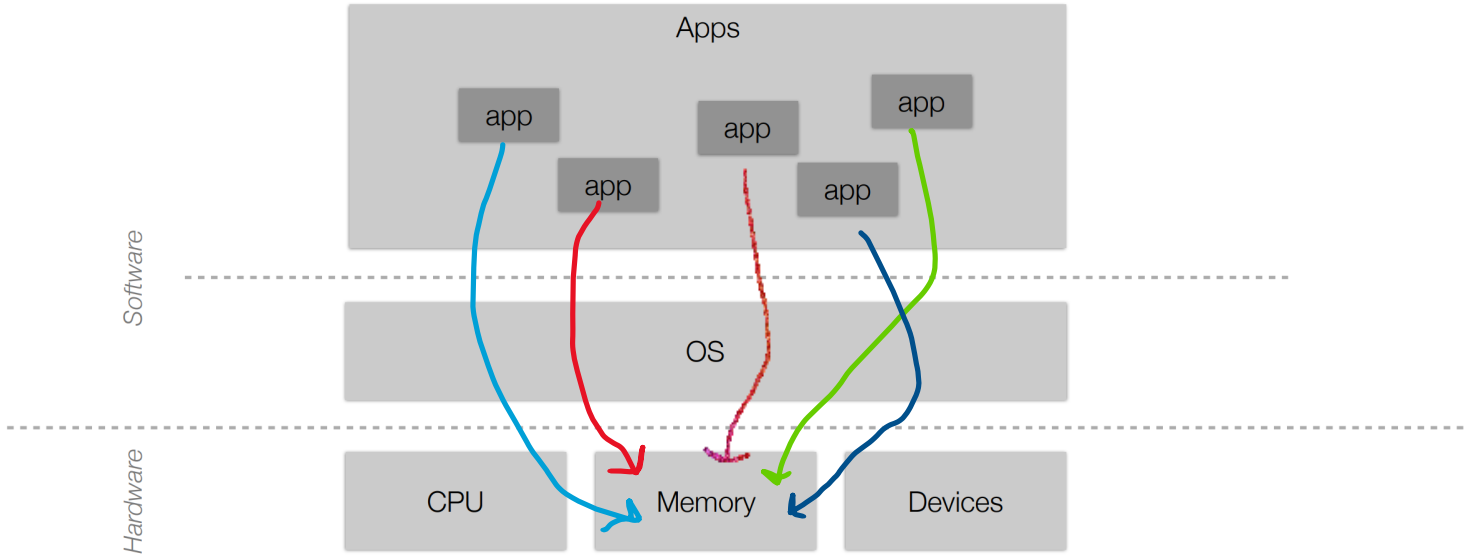

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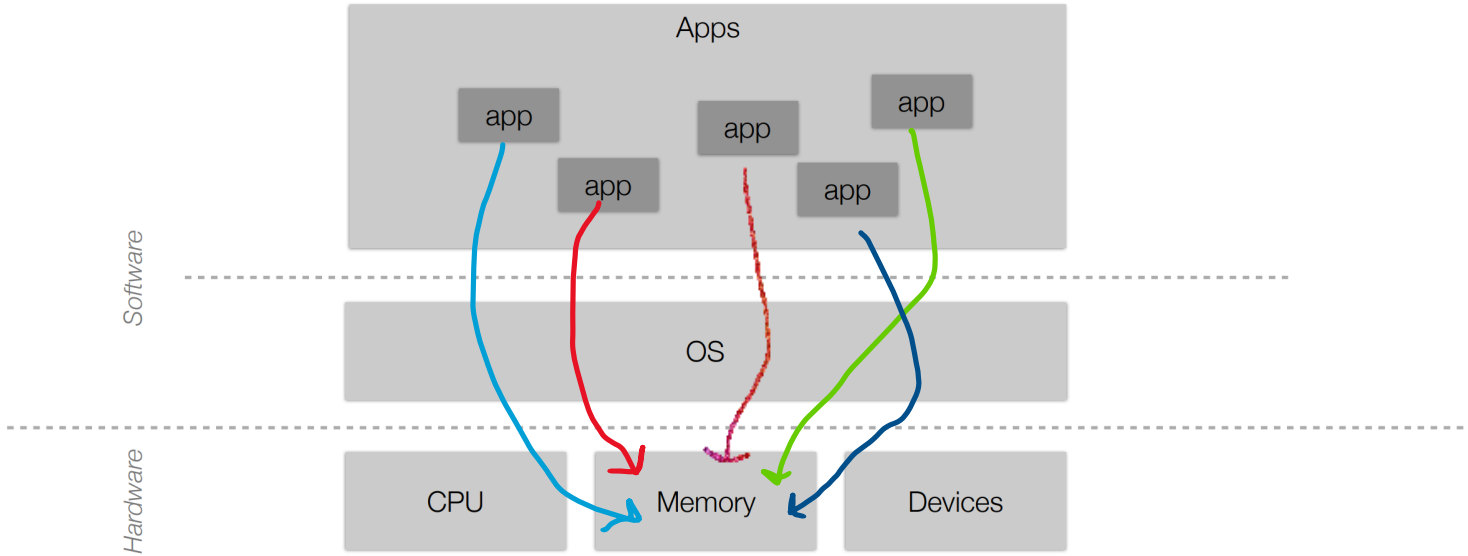

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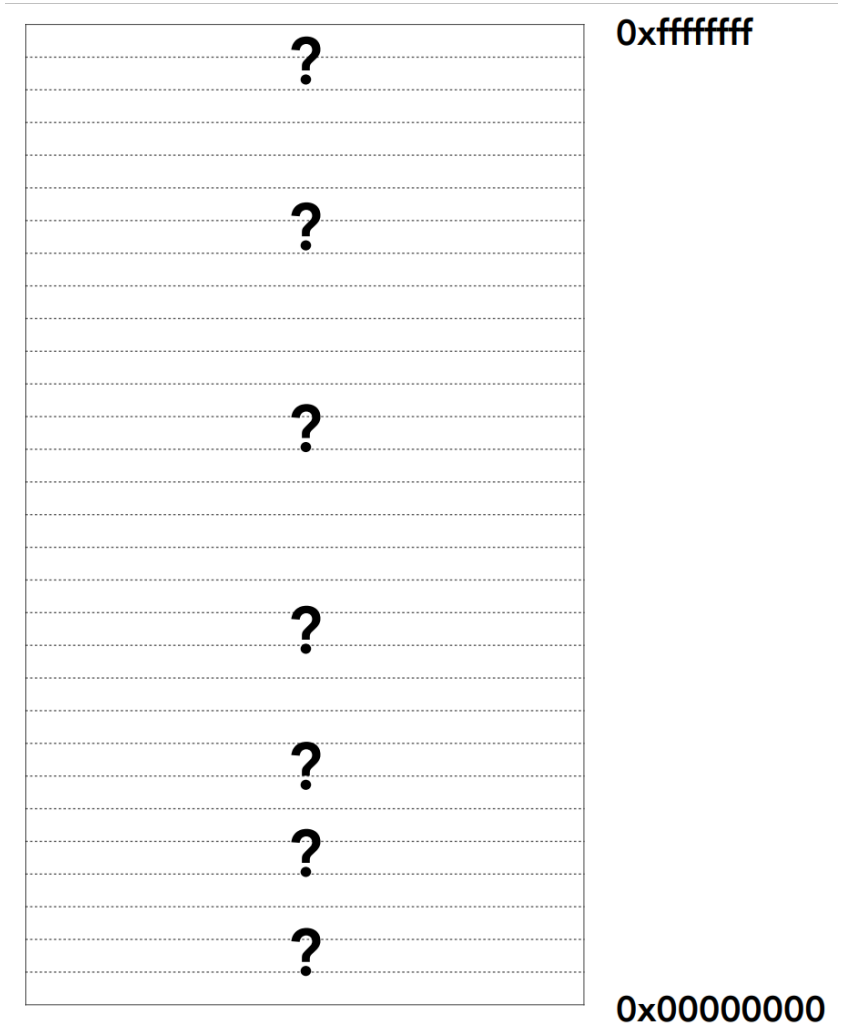
What does this look like?

1. **Executable Code**

2. **Associated Data**

3. Execution Context/Bookkeeping information



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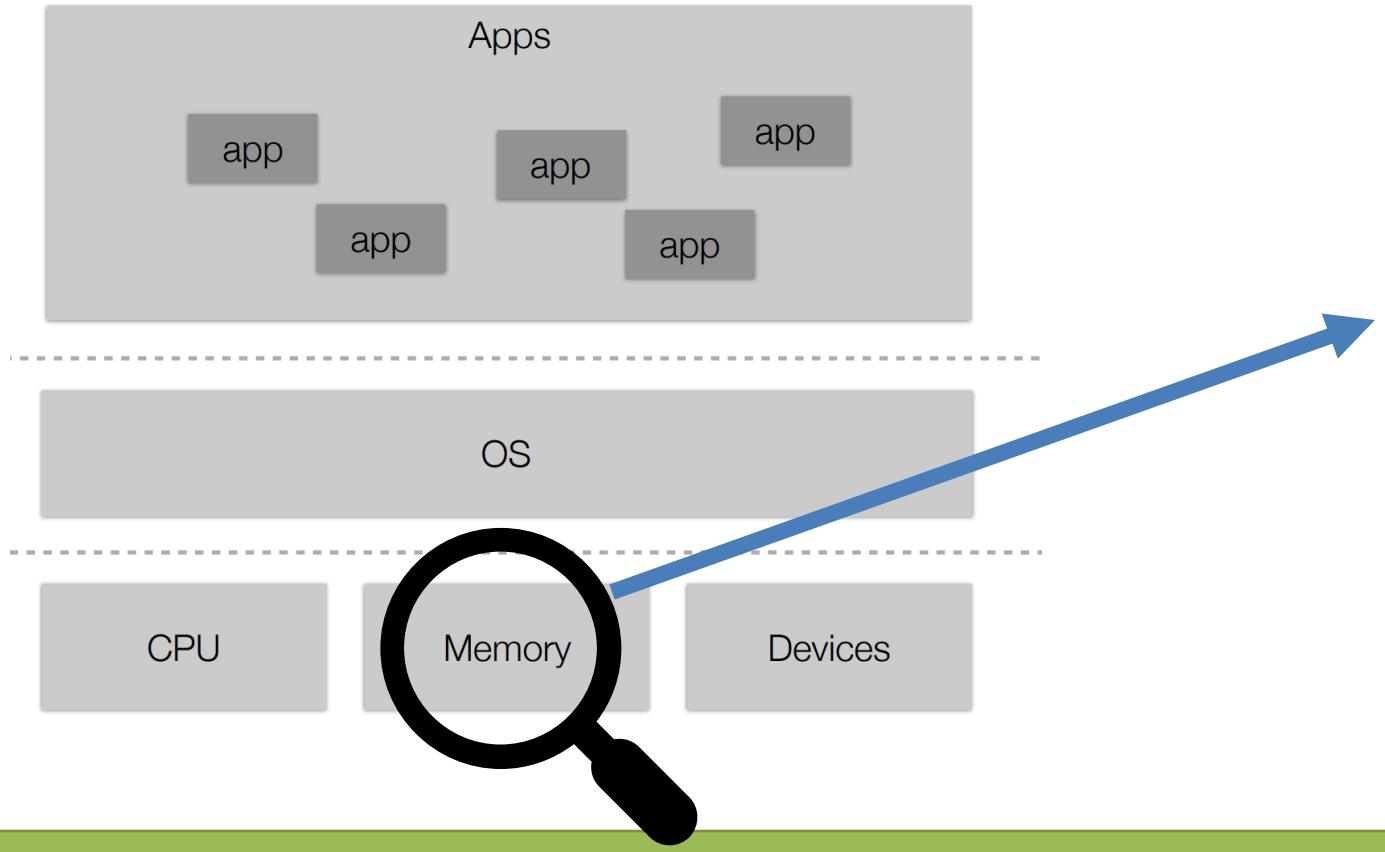

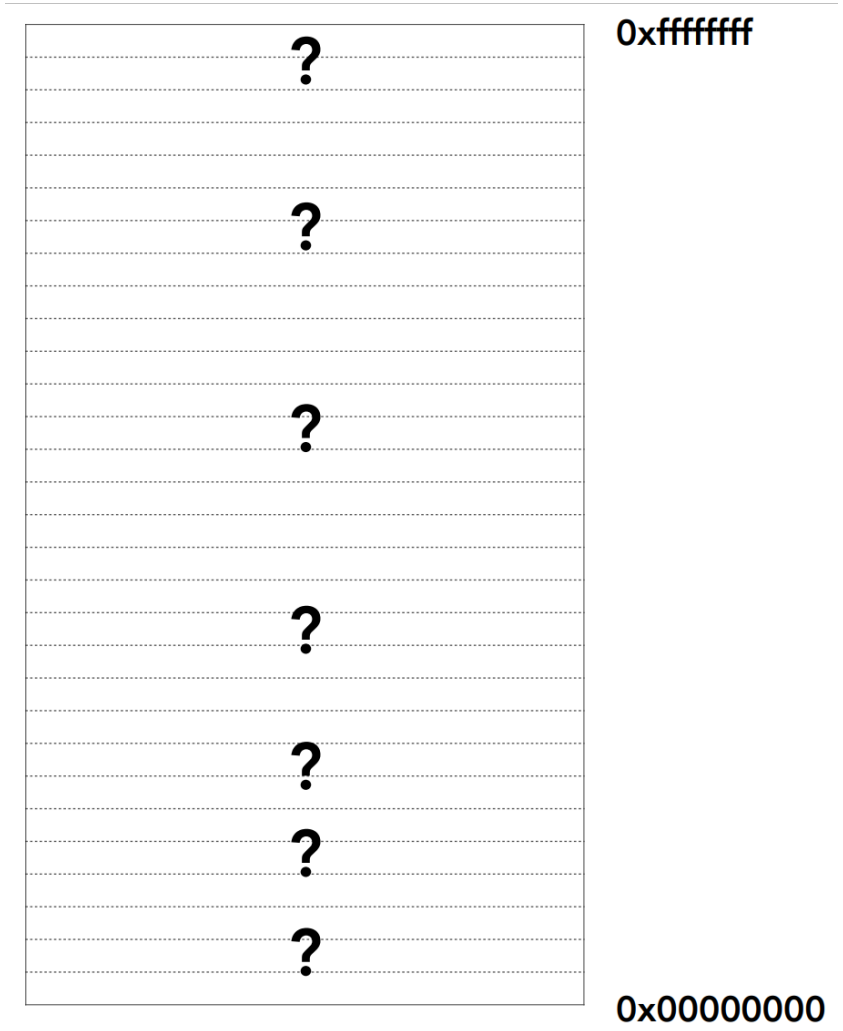

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Text Segment- binary executable instructions for the process

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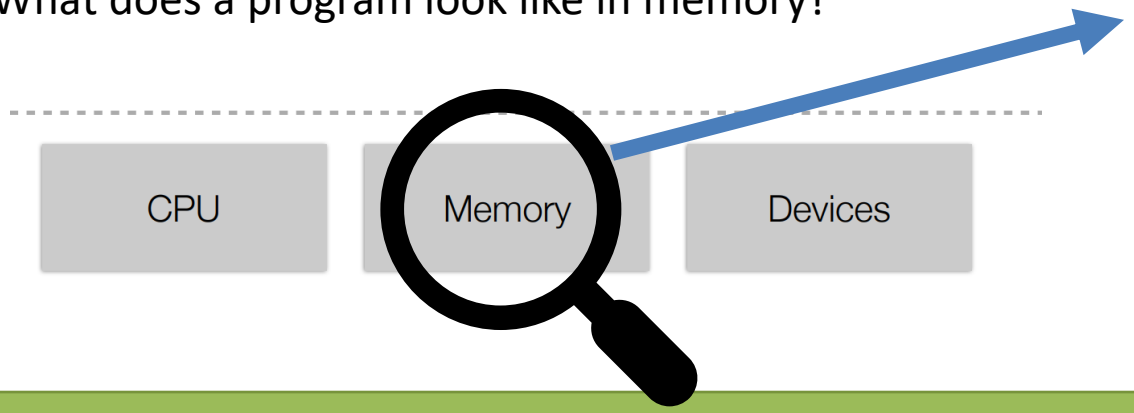

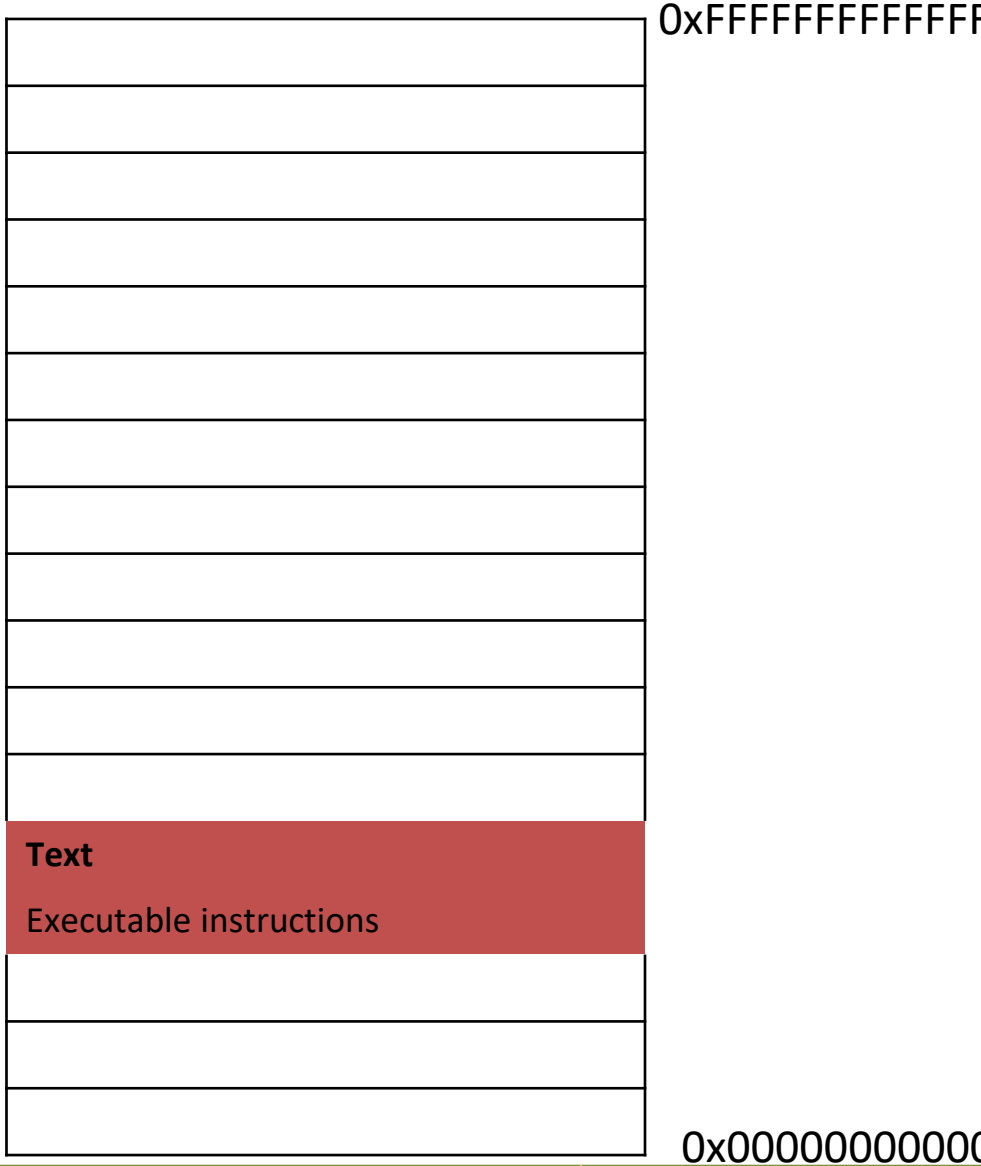

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Data Segment- Static variables initialized by the programmer

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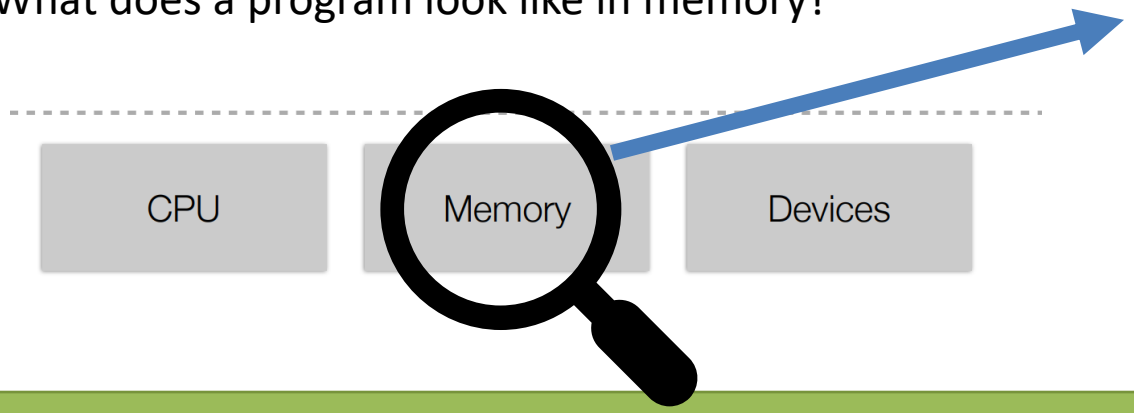

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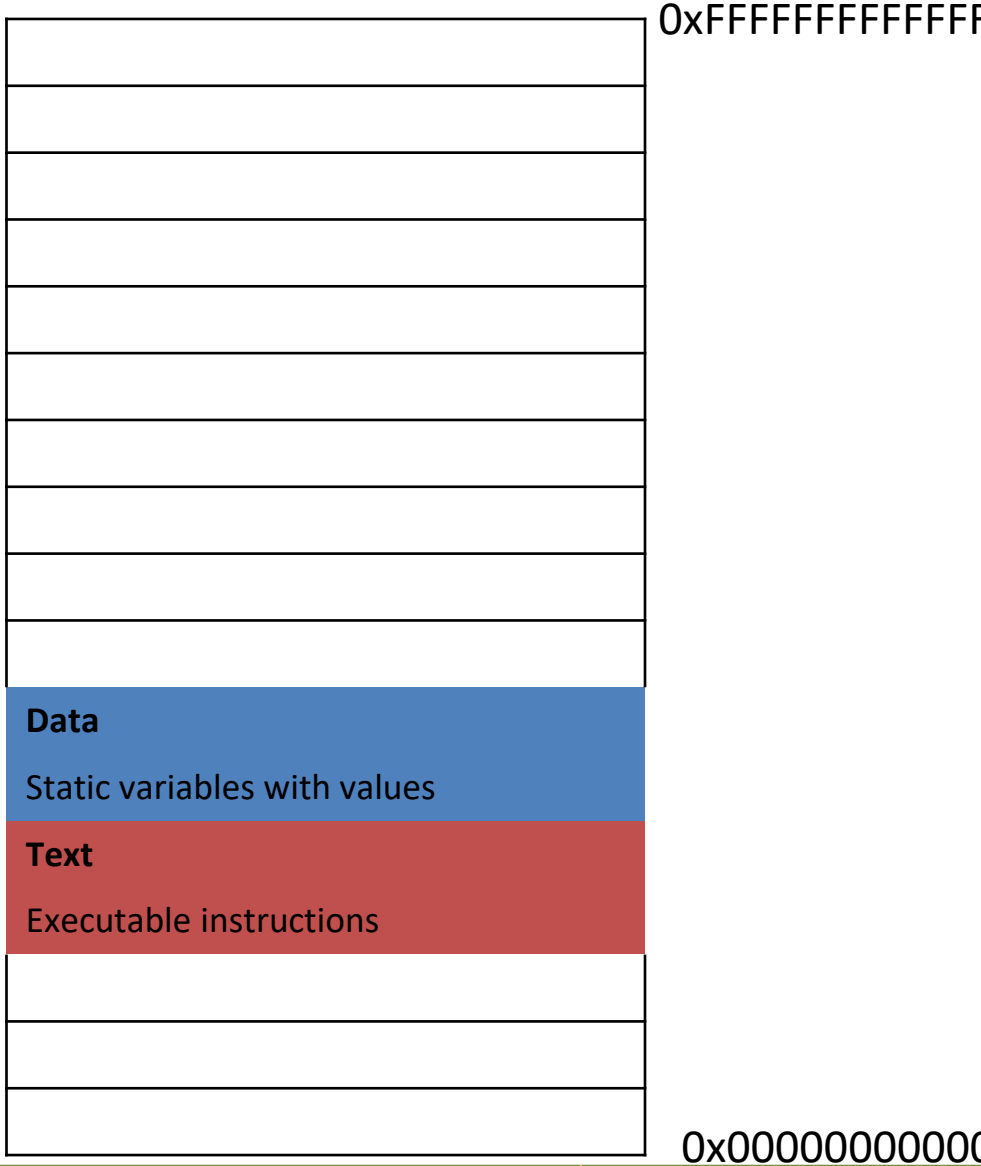

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BSS Segment- contains statically allocated variables that are declared, but have not been assigned a value yet

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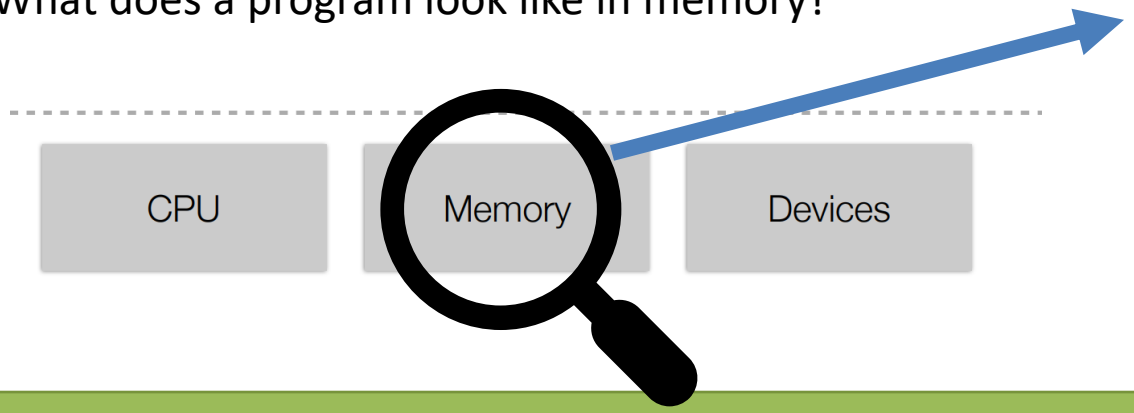
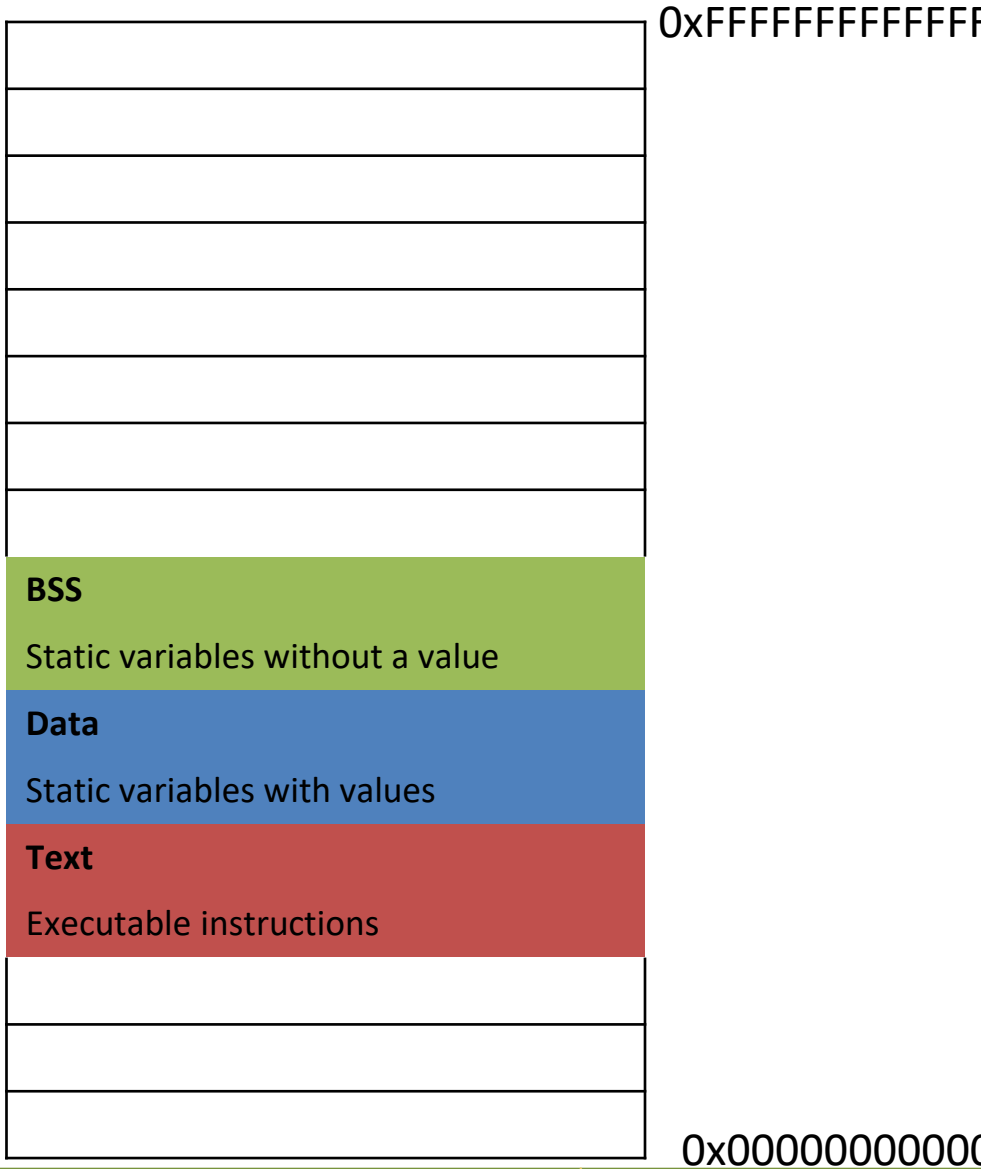


Process Manager

- Manages how processes are structured and how to handle many processes running at once



Applications Layout in Memory

Process Manager

- Manages how processes are structured and how to handle many processes running at once

Heap- memory set aside for dynamic allocation (e.g. malloc). Grows “up” as more memory is allocated

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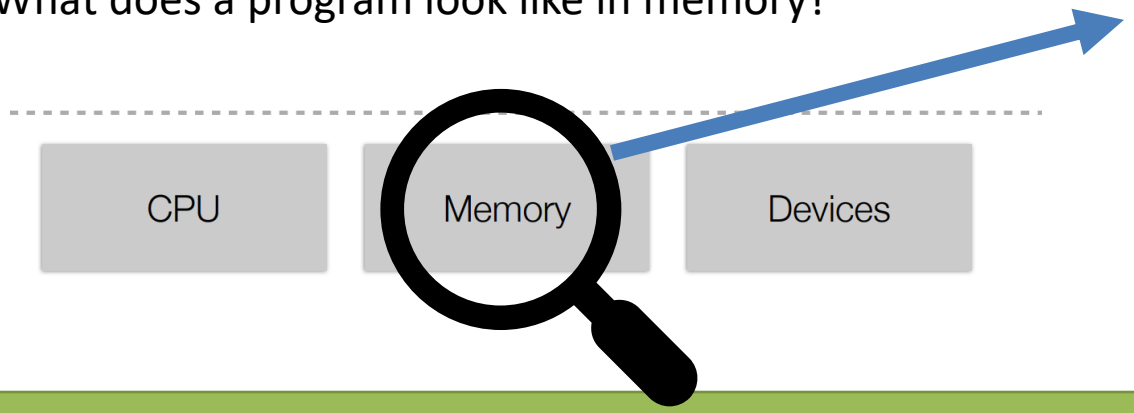

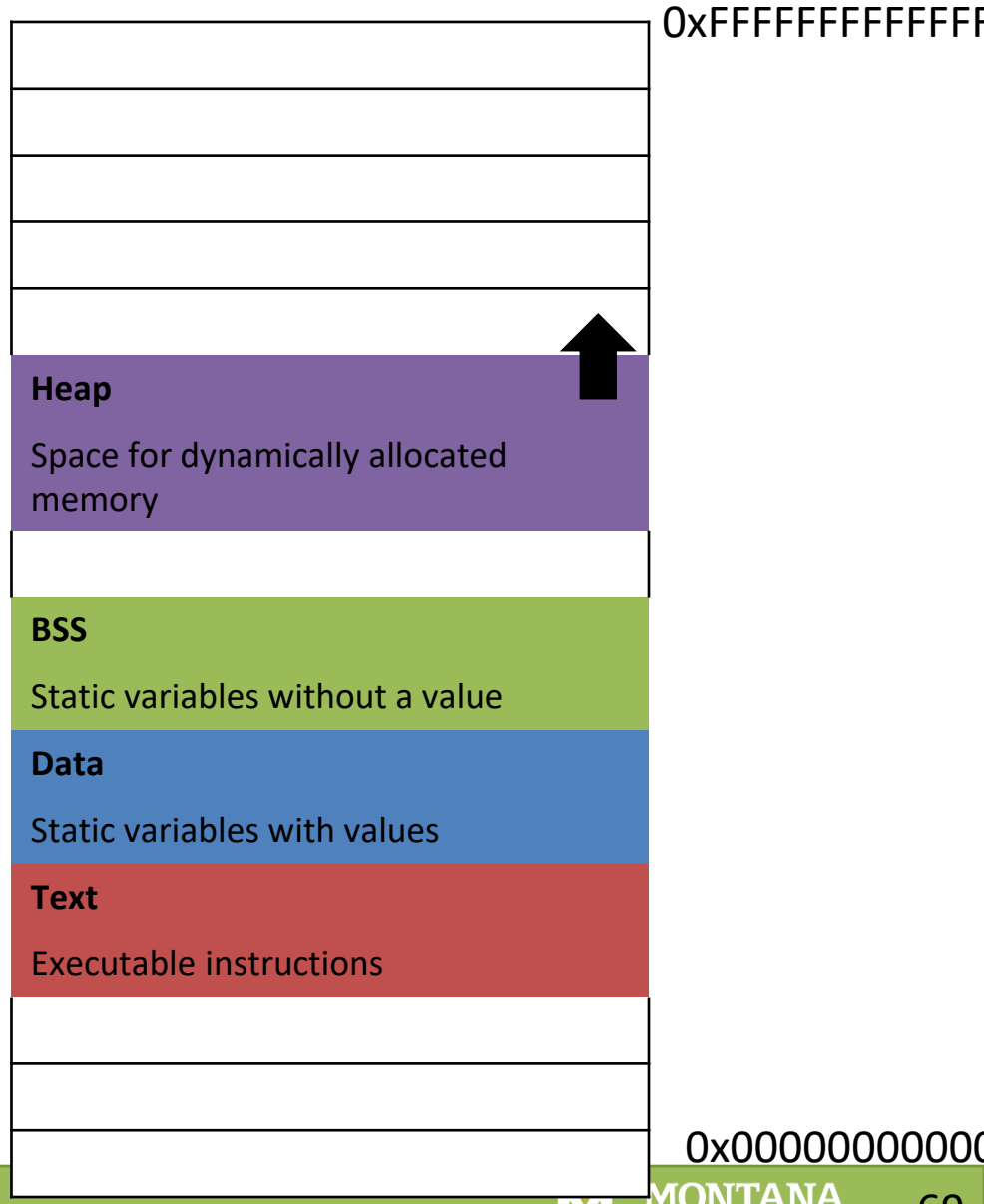

Applications Layout in Memory

Stack – memory for storing function variables. Grows "down" as additional functions are called

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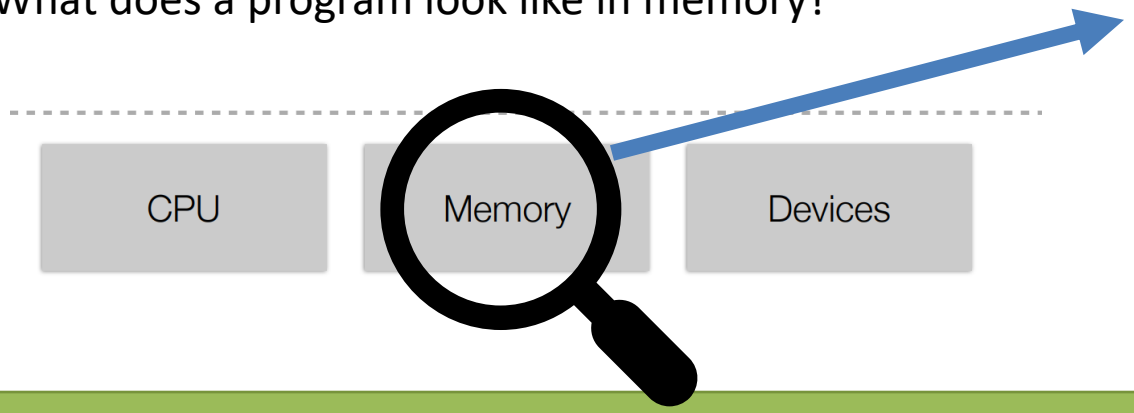
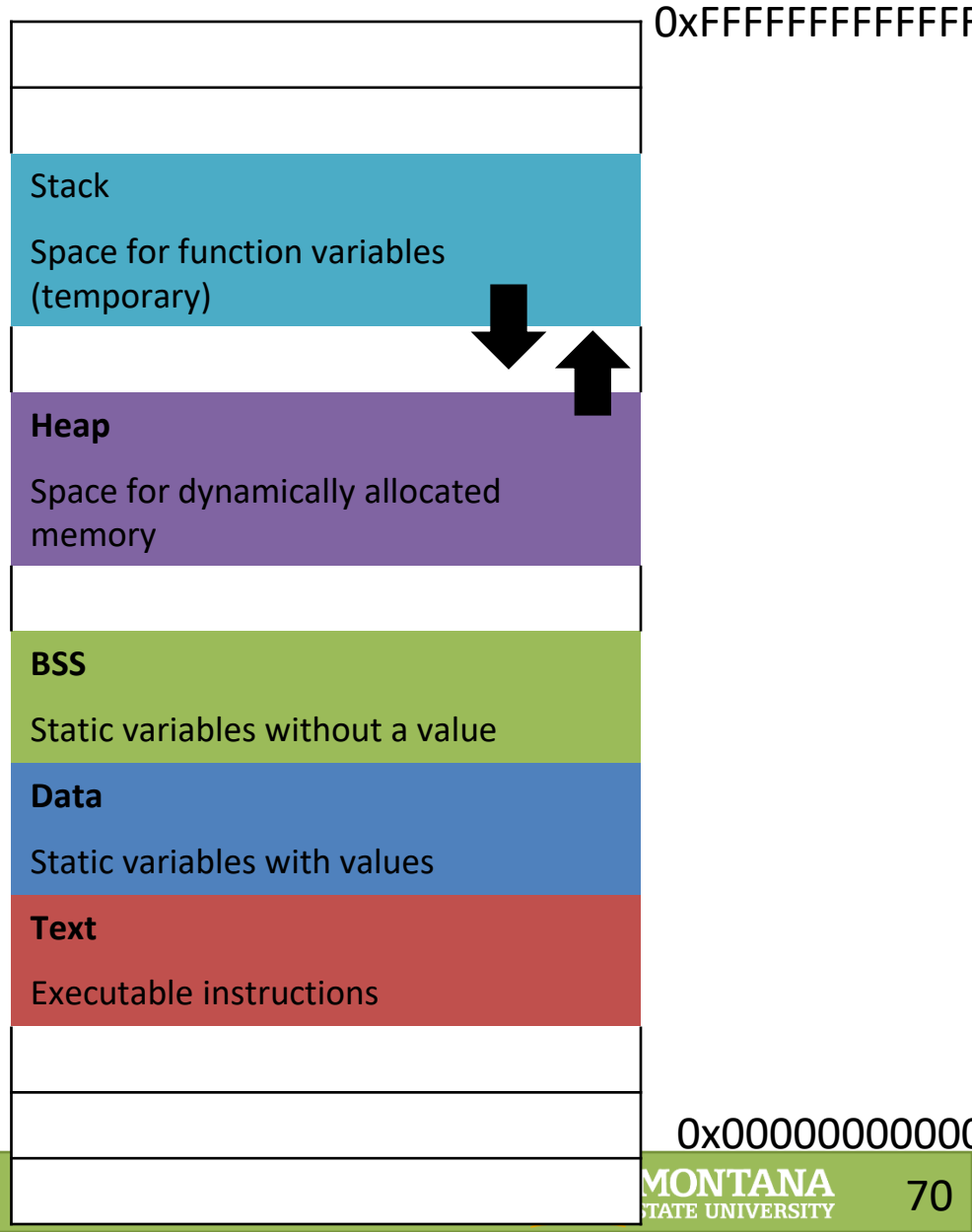


Process Manager

- Manages how processes are structured and how to handle many processes running at once

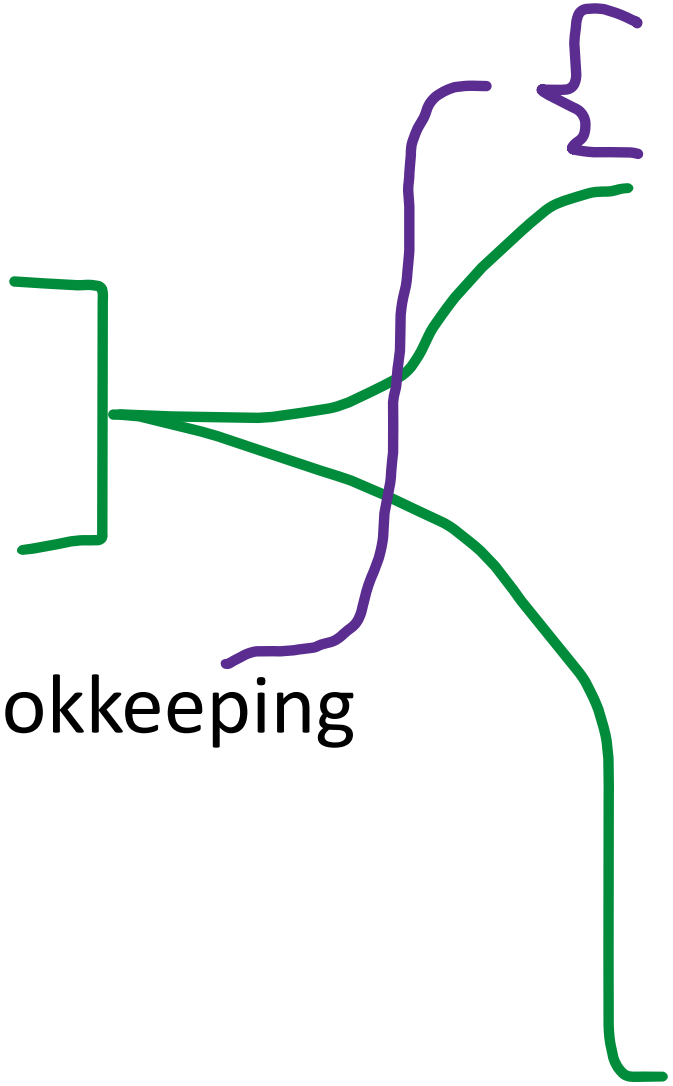


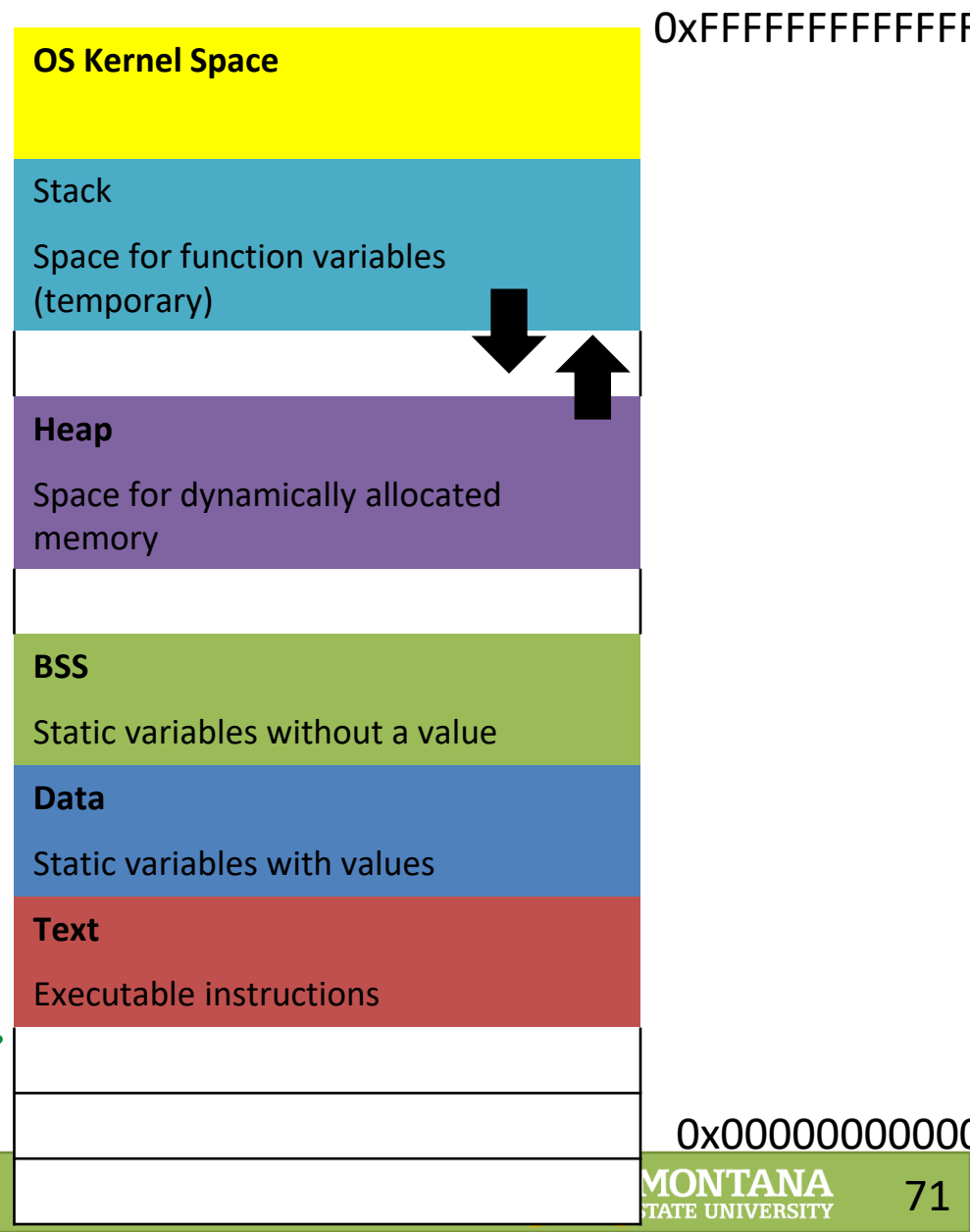
Applications Layout in Memory

Process Manager

- Manages how processes are structured and how to handle many processes running at once

1. **Executable Code**
2. **Associated Data**
3. Execution Context/Bookkeeping information





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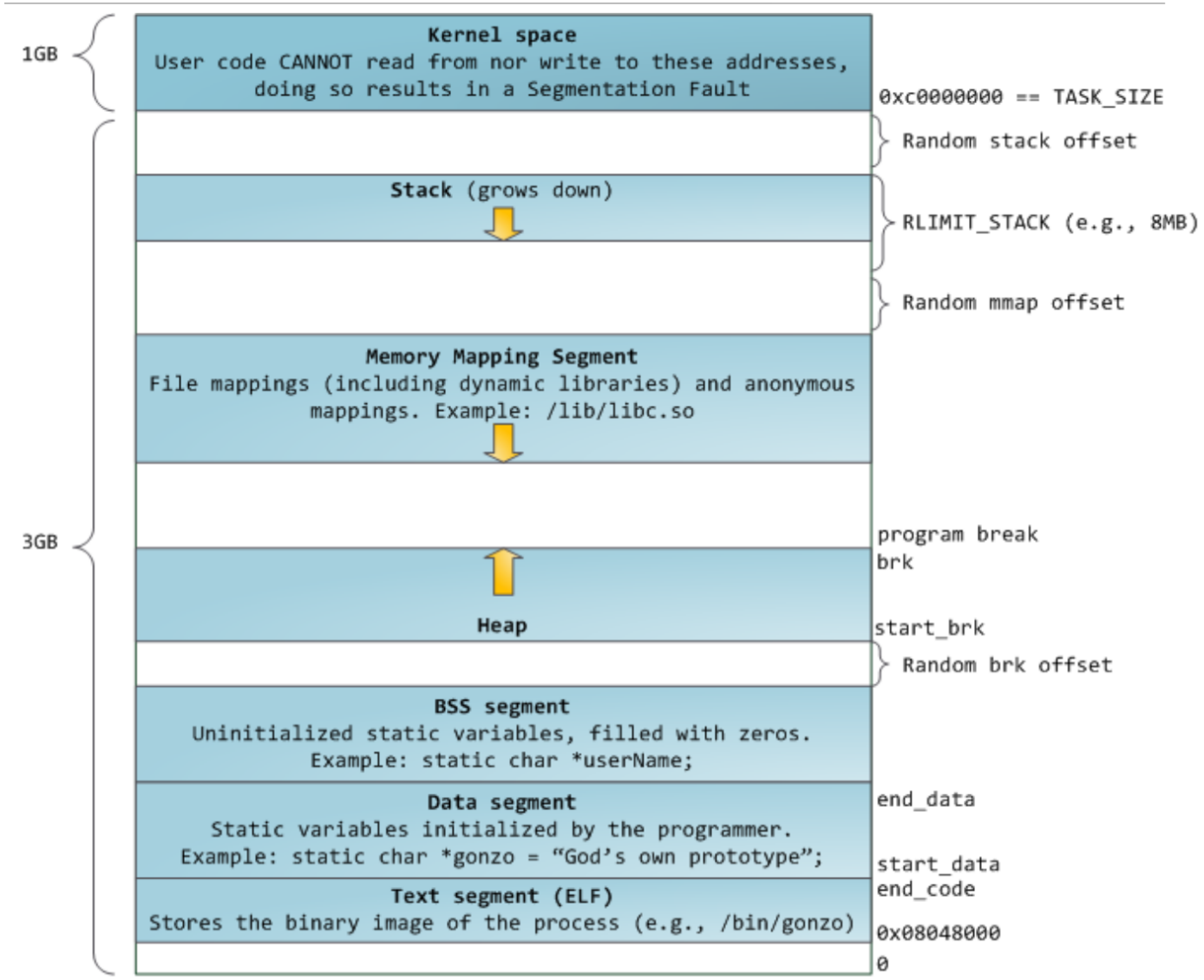
Demo?

Makefile Demo



Applications Layout in Memory

Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)

```
                                  2492 1544 113       1544        88        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 KB
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ffffffffff600000 --xp 00000000  00:00       0    4    0   0          0        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 [vsyscall]
    7ffca3ddc000 r-xp 00000000  00:00       0    4    4   0          4        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 [vdso]
    7ffca3dd9000 r--p 00000000  00:00       0   12    0   0          0        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 [vvar]
    7ffca3dac000 rw-p 00000000  00:00       0  132   16  16         16       16        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 [stack]
    7f9ab45c4000 rw-p 00000000  00:00       0    4    4   4          4        4        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0
    7f9ab45c3000 rw-p 0002d000  08:05 3541124    4    4   4          4        4        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab45c2000 r--p 0002c000  08:05 3541124    4    4   4          4        4        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab45b9000 r--p 00024000  08:05 3541124   32   32   0         32        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab4596000 r-xp 00001000  08:05 3541124  140  140   1        140        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab4595000 r--p 00000000  08:05 3541124    4    4   0          4        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab457c000 rw-p 00000000  00:00       0   24   24  24         24       24        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0
    7f9ab4579000 rw-p 001ea000  08:05 3541128   12   12  12         12       12        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 libc-2.31.so
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    7f9ab4575000 ---p 001e7000  08:05 3541128    4    0   0          0        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 libc-2.31.so
    7f9ab452b000 r--p 0019d000  08:05 3541128  296  124   1        124        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 libc-2.31.so
    7f9ab43b3000 r-xp 00025000  08:05 3541128 1504 1000  10       1000        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 libc-2.31.so
    7f9ab438e000 r--p 00000000  08:05 3541128  148  140   1        140        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 libc-2.31.so
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    558e1a654000 rw-p 00003000  08:05 1051705    4    4   4          4        4        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 probe
    558e1a653000 r--p 00002000  08:05 1051705    4    4   4          4        4        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 probe
    558e1a652000 r--p 00002000  08:05 1051705    4    4   4          4        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 probe
    558e1a651000 r-xp 00001000  08:05 1051705    4    4   4          4        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 probe
    558e1a650000 r--p 00000000  08:05 1051705    4    4   4          4        0        0             0             0             0             0    0       0      0           0 probe
         Address Perm   Offset Device   Inode Size  Rss Pss Referenced Anonymous LazyFree ShmemPmdMapped FilePmdMapped Shared_Hugetlb Private_Hugetlb Swap SwapPss Locked THPeligible Mapping
4175:   ./probe
```

Applications Layout in Memory

Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)

```
4175:   ./probe
        Address Perm   Offset                                                KB Mapping
ffffffffff600000 --xp 00000000                                               [vsyscall]
    7ffca3ddc000 r-xp 00000000                                               [vdso]
    7ffca3dd9000 r--p 00000000                                               [vvar]
    7ffca3dac000 rw-p 00000000                                               [stack]
    7f9ab45c4000 rw-p 00000000
    7f9ab45c3000 rw-p 0002d000                                               ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab45c2000 r--p 0002c000                                               ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab45b9000 r--p 00024000                                               ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab4596000 r-xp 00001000                                               ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab4595000 r--p 00000000                                               ld-2.31.so
    7f9ab457c000 rw-p 00000000
    7f9ab4579000 rw-p 001ea000                                               libc-2.31.so
    7f9ab4576000 r--p 001e7000                                               libc-2.31.so
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    558e1b9d6000 rw-p 00000000                                               [heap]
    558e1a654000 rw-p 00003000                                               probe
    558e1a653000 r--p 00002000                                               probe
    558e1a652000 r--p 00002000                                               probe
    558e1a651000 r-xp 00001000                                               probe
    558e1a650000 r--p 00000000                                               probe
```

"probe" is the name of our executable

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Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)

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        Address Perm   Offset
ffffffffff600000 --xp 00000000
    7ffca3ddc000 r-xp 00000000
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    7ffca3dac000 rw-p 00000000
    7f9ab45c4000 rw-p 00000000
    7f9ab45c3000 rw-p 0002d000
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    7f9ab4596000 r-xp 00001000
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    7f9ab438e000 r--p 00000000
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    558e1a654000 rw-p 00003000
    558e1a653000 r--p 00002000
    558e1a652000 r--p 00002000
    558e1a651000 r-xp 00001000
    558e1a650000 r--p 00000000
```

```
KB

[vsyscall]
[vdso]
[vvar]
[stack]

ld-2.31.so
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ld-2.31.so
ld-2.31.so

libc-2.31.so
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libc-2.31.so
libc-2.31.so
libc-2.31.so
libc-2.31.so
[heap]
probe
probe
probe
probe
probe
Mapping
```

BSS

Static variables without a value

Data

Static variables with values

"probe" is the name of out executable

This section is executable "x"

Text

Executable instructions

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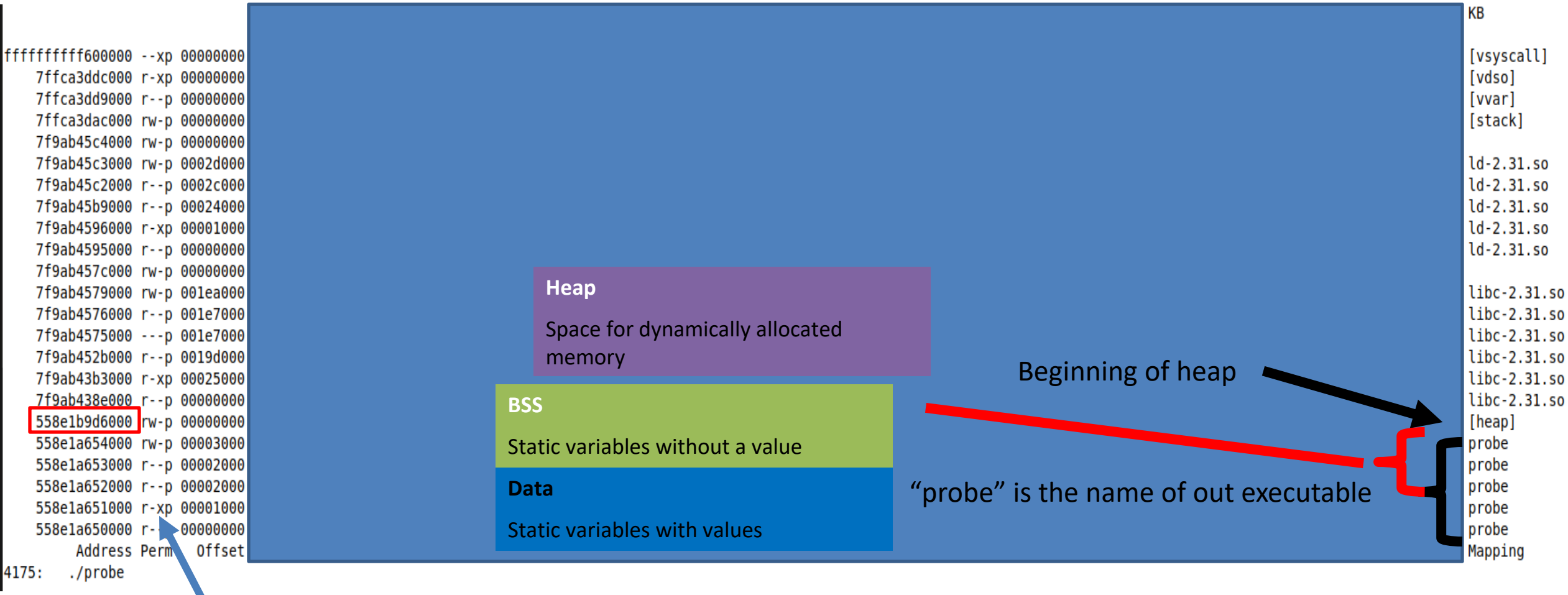
Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)



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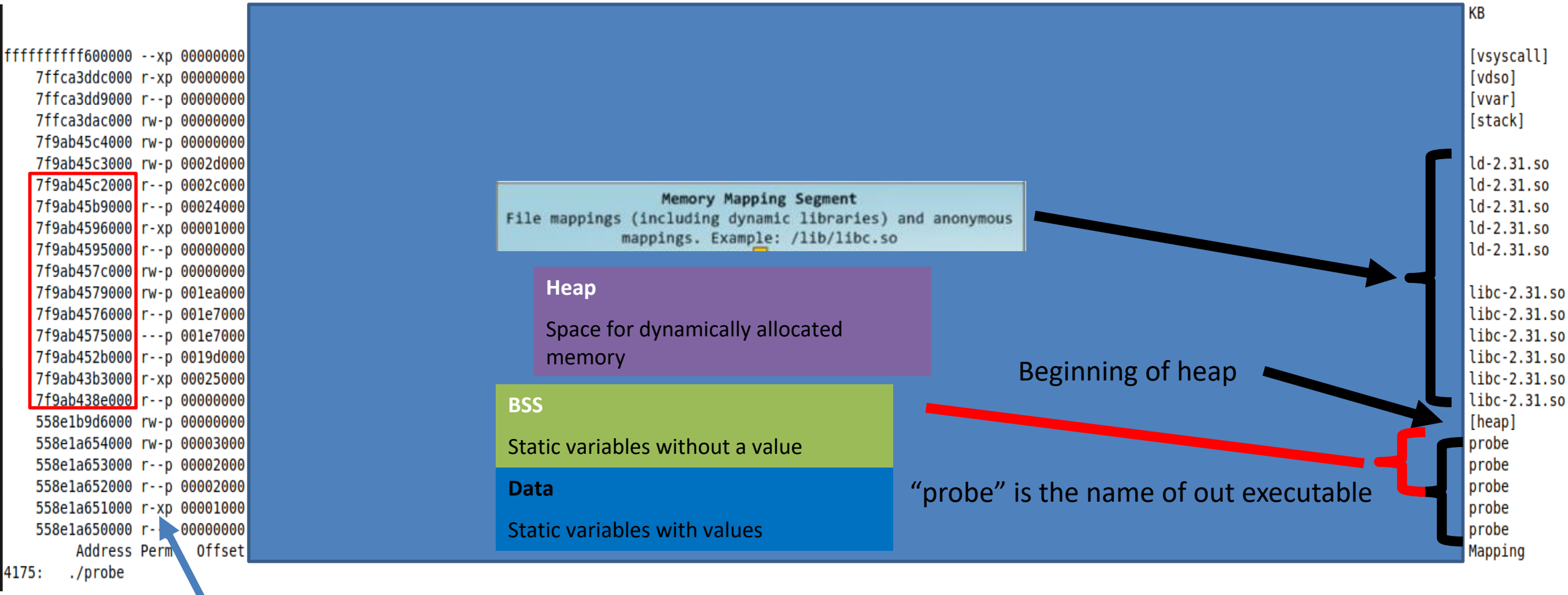

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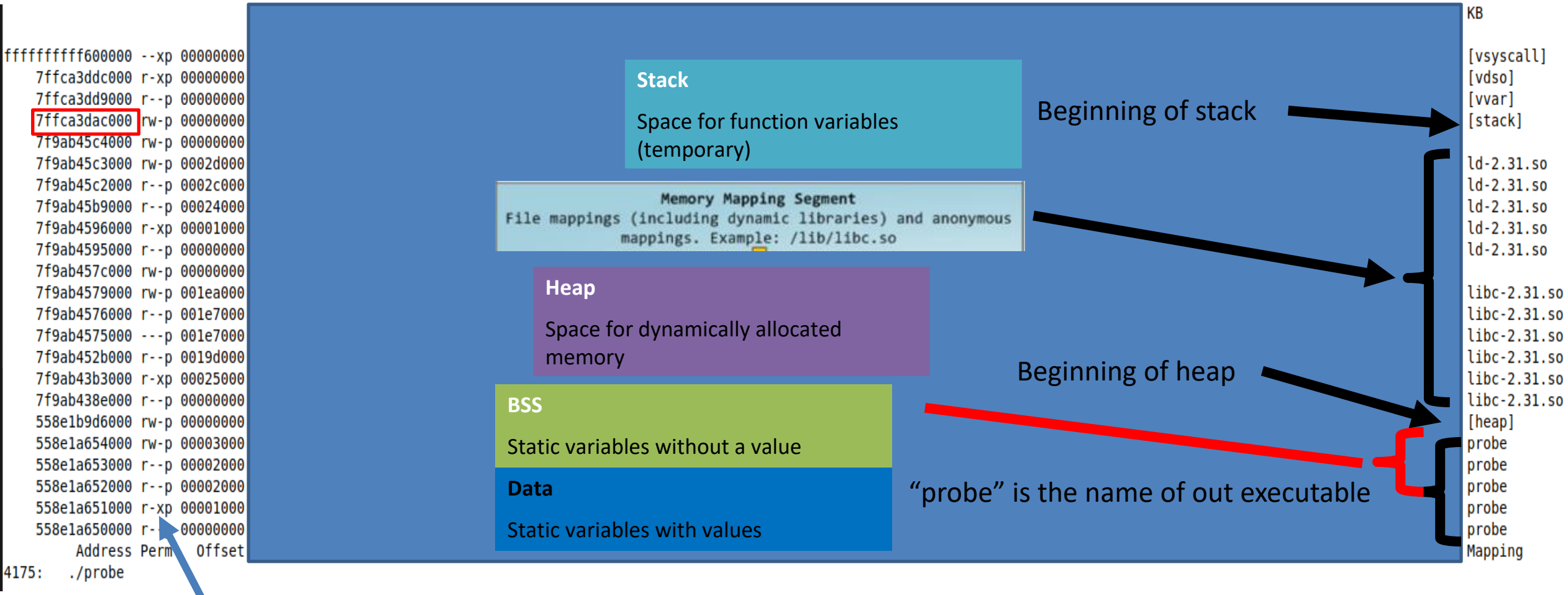

This section is executable "x"

Text

Executable instructions

Applications Layout in Memory

When you allocate variables on the stack

When you allocate variables on the heap

Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)

Stack

Space for function variables (temporary)

Beginning of stack

Memory Mapping Segment

File mappings (including dynamic libraries) and anonymous mappings. Example: /lib/libc.so

Heap

Space for dynamically allocated memory

Beginning of heap

BSS

Static variables without a value

Data

Static variables with values

“probe” is the name of out executable

able “x”

Text

Executable instructions

```
KB

[vsyscall]
[vdso]
[vvar]
[stack]

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libc-2.31.so
libc-2.31.so
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libc-2.31.so
libc-2.31.so
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[heap]
probe
probe
probe
probe
probe
Mapping
```

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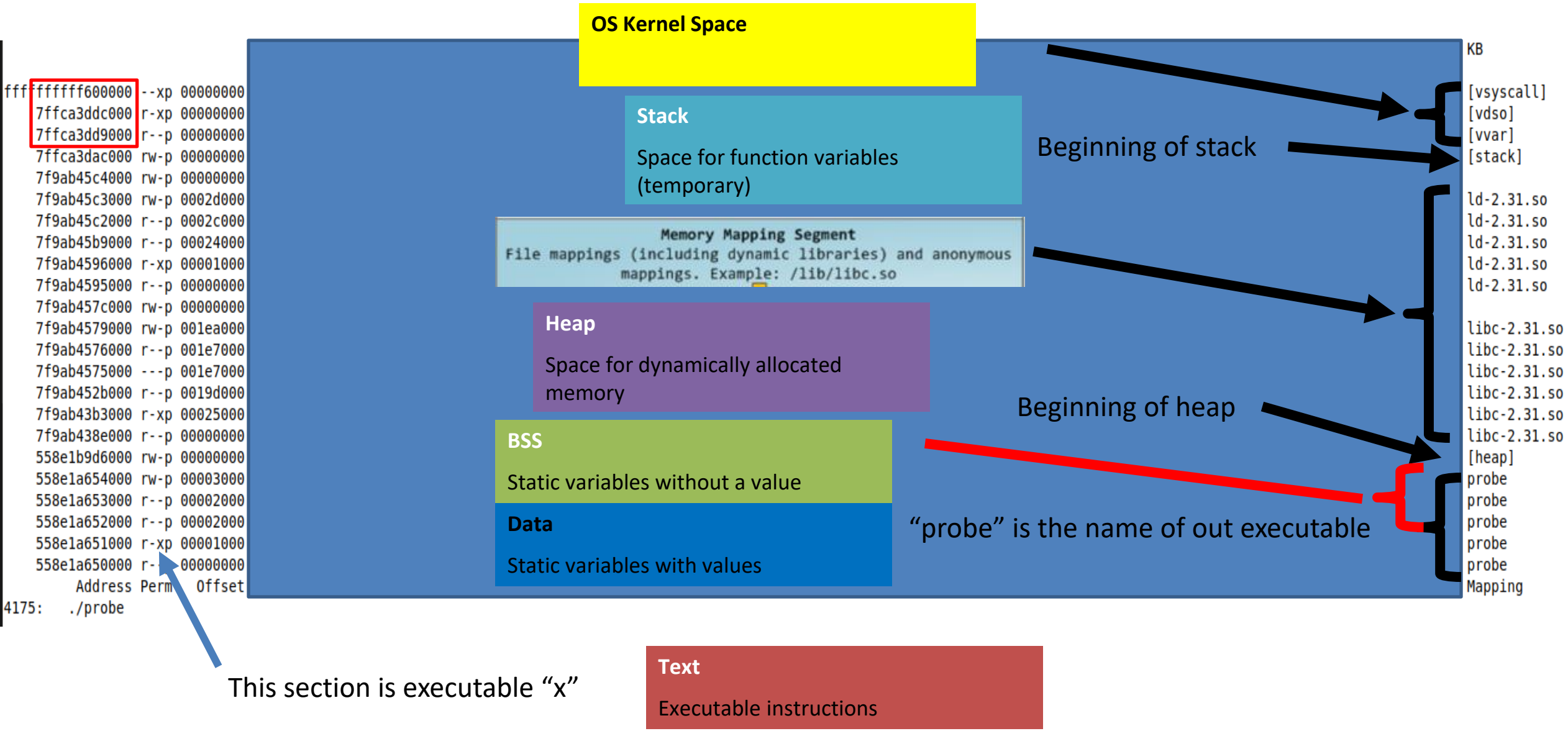
Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)



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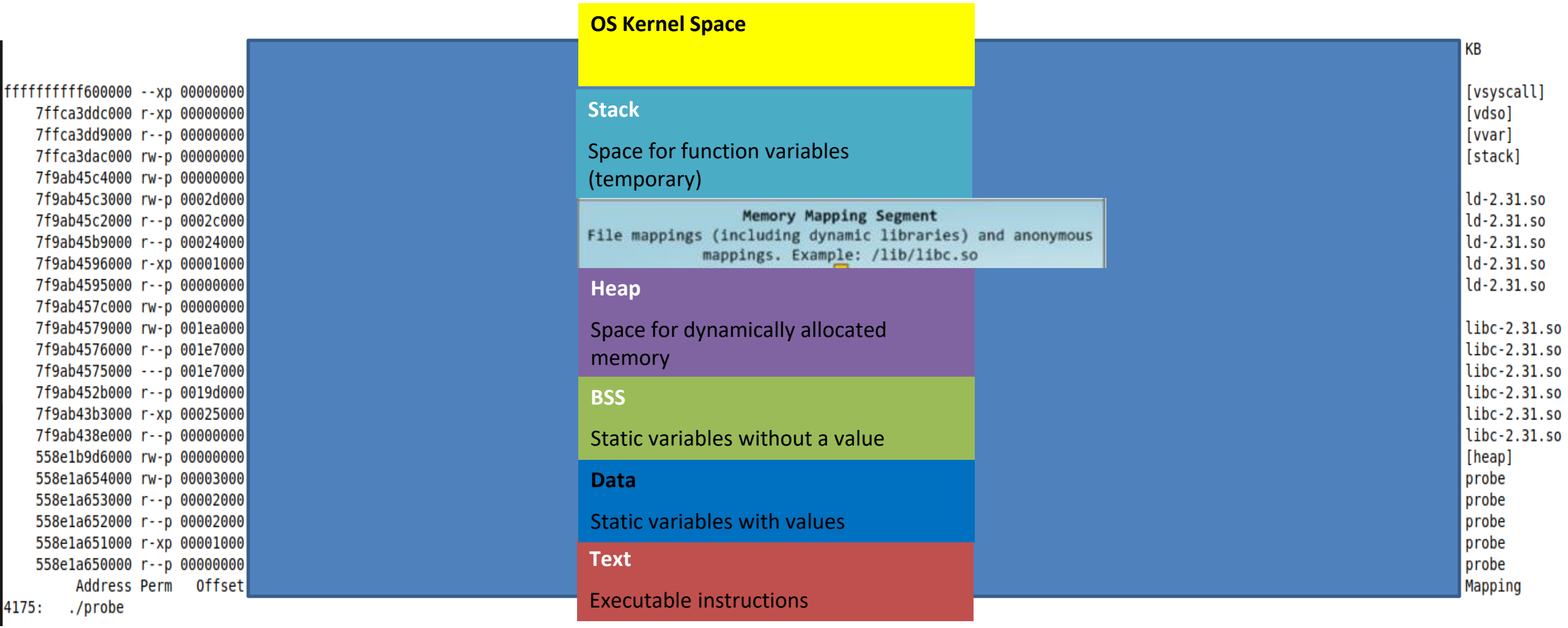

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Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)

```
ffffffffff600000 --xp 00000000     KB
    7ffca3ddc000 r-xp 00000000     [vsyscall]
    7ffca3dd9000 r--p 00000000     [vdso]
    7ffca3dac000 rw-p 00000000     [vvar]
    7f9ab45c4000 rw-p 00000000     [stack]
    7f9ab45c3000 rw-p 0002d000
    7f9ab45c2000 r--p 0002c000     ld-2.31.so
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    7f9ab452b000 r--p 0019d000     libc-2.31.so
    7f9ab43b3000 r-xp 00025000     libc-2.31.so
    7f9ab438e000 r--p 00000000     libc-2.31.so
    558e1b9d6000 rw-p 00000000     [heap]
    558e1a654000 rw-p 00003000     probe
    558e1a653000 r--p 00002000     probe
    558e1a652000 r--p 00002000     probe
    558e1a651000 r-xp 00001000     probe
    558e1a650000 r--p 00000000     probe
         Address Perm   Offset    Mapping
4175:   ./probe
```

```
-> the address of main   = 0x558e1a651249
-> the address of printf = 0x7f9ab43f2e10
-> the address of getenv = 0x7f9ab43d7020
-> a stack address       = 0x7ffca3dcb3b0
-> a global address      = 0x558e1a6540c4
-> the argv address      = 0x7ffca3dcb4f8
-> argv[0]               = 0x7ffca3dcc45f
   value is [./probe]
-> the environ address   = 0x7ffca3dcb508
-> the envp address      = 0x7ffca3dcb508
-> getenv("PWD")         = 0x7ffca3dcc5ff
   value is [/home/seed/os-review]
-> a heap address        = 0x558e1b9d66b0
```

Applications Layout in Memory

Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)

Where is “main” located in memory?

```
-> the address of main    = 0x558e1a651249
-> the address of printf  = 0x7f9ab43f2e10
-> the address of getenv  = 0x7f9ab43d7020
-> a stack address        = 0x7ffca3dcb3b0
-> a global address       = 0x558e1a6540c4
-> the argv address       = 0x7ffca3dcb4f8
-> argv[0]                = 0x7ffca3dcc45f
   value is [./probe]
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   value is [/home/seed/os-review]
-> a heap address         = 0x558e1b9d66b0
```

```
ffffffffff600000 --xp 00000000   KB
    7ffca3ddc000 r-xp 00000000   [vsyscall]
    7ffca3dd9000 r--p 00000000   [vdso]
    7ffca3dac000 rw-p 00000000   [vvar]
    7f9ab45c4000 rw-p 00000000   [stack]
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    7f9ab43b3000 r-xp 00025000   libc-2.31.so
    7f9ab438e000 r--p 00000000   libc-2.31.so
    558e1b9d6000 rw-p 00000000   [heap]
    558e1a654000 rw-p 00003000   probe
    558e1a653000 r--p 00002000   probe
    558e1a652000 r--p 00002000   probe
    558e1a651000 r-xp 00001000   probe
    558e1a650000 r--p 00000000   probe
         Address Perm   Offset  Mapping
4175:   ./probe
```

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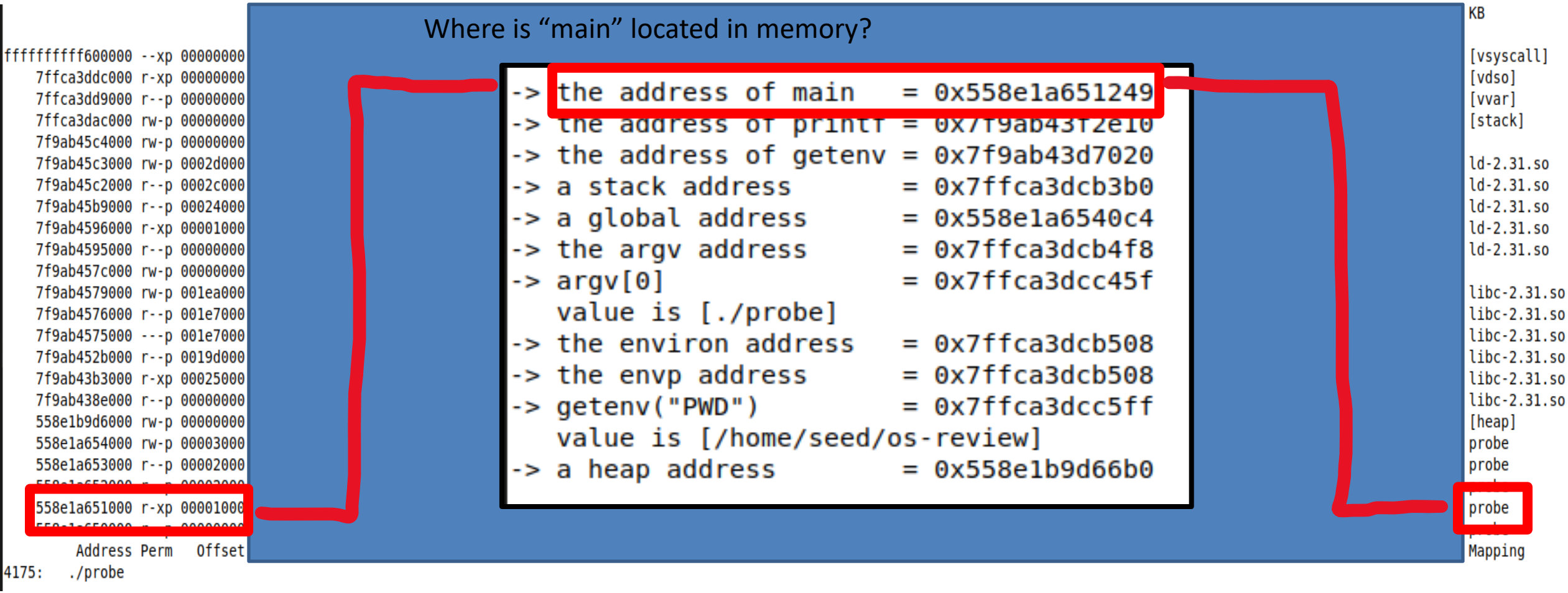
Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)



`main` is code in our program, so it goes inside the text segment

Applications Layout in Memory

Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)

Where is “printf” located in memory?

```
-> the address of main   = 0x558e1a651249
-> the address of printf = 0x7f9ab43f2e10
-> the address of getenv = 0x7f9ab43d7020
-> a stack address       = 0x7ffca3dcb3b0
-> a global address      = 0x558e1a6540c4
-> the argv address      = 0x7ffca3dcb4f8
-> argv[0]               = 0x7ffca3dcc45f
   value is [./probe]
-> the environ address   = 0x7ffca3dcb508
-> the envp address      = 0x7ffca3dcb508
-> getenv("PWD")         = 0x7ffca3dcc5ff
   value is [/home/seed/os-review]
-> a heap address        = 0x558e1b9d66b0
```

```
ffffffffff600000 --xp 00000000     KB
    7ffca3ddc000 r-xp 00000000     [vsyscall]
    7ffca3dd9000 r--p 00000000     [vdso]
    7ffca3dac000 rw-p 00000000     [vvar]
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    558e1b9d6000 rw-p 00000000     [heap]
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    558e1a653000 r--p 00002000     probe
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    558e1a651000 r-xp 00001000     probe
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         Address Perm   Offset     Mapping
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```

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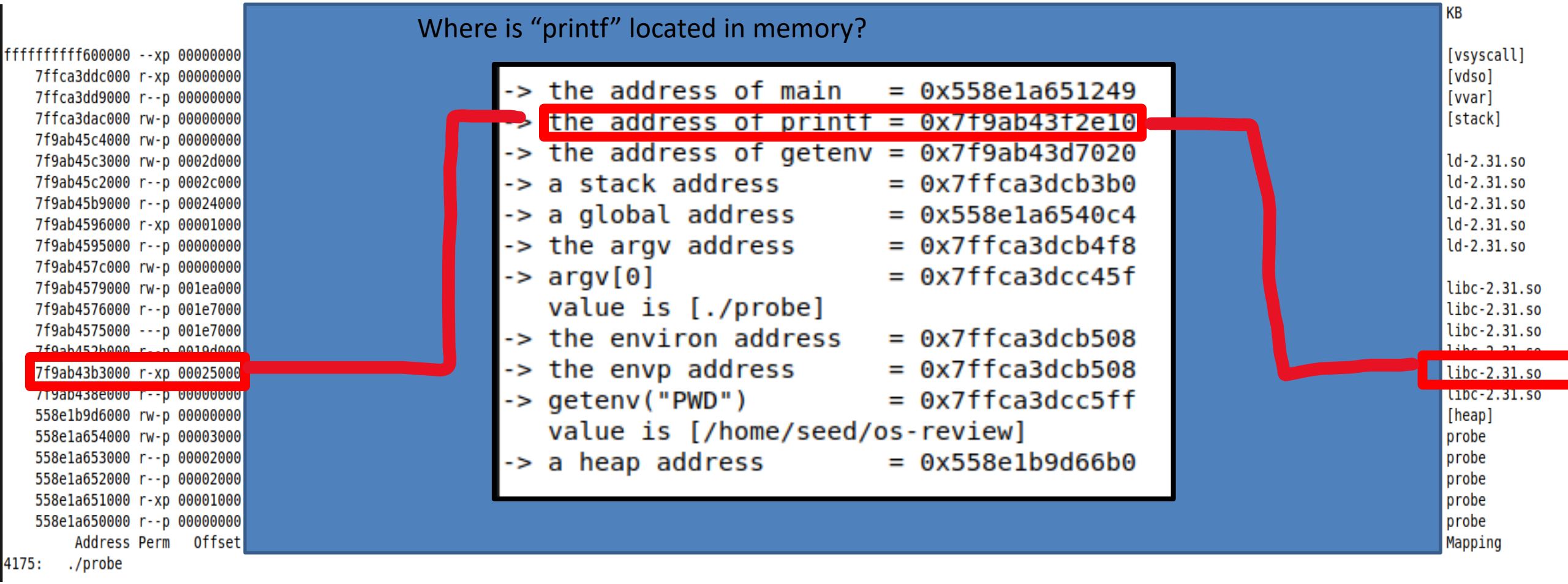
Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)



`printf` is executable code from a shared library (libc) so we are in the memory mapping segment!

Applications Layout in Memory

Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)

Where is "argv" located in memory?

```
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-> the address of printf  = 0x7f9ab43f2e10
-> the address of getenv  = 0x7f9ab43d7020
-> a stack address        = 0x7ffca3dcb3b0
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-> the argv address       = 0x7ffca3dcb4f8
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   value is [./probe]
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-> the envp address       = 0x7ffca3dcb508
-> getenv("PWD")          = 0x7ffca3dcc5ff
   value is [/home/seed/os-review]
-> a heap address         = 0x558e1b9d66b0
```

```
4175:   ./probe
         Address Perm   Offset
ffffffffff600000 --xp 00000000
    7ffca3ddc000 r-xp 00000000
    7ffca3dd9000 r--p 00000000
    7ffca3dac000 rw-p 00000000
    7f9ab45c4000 rw-p 00000000
    7f9ab45c3000 rw-p 0002d000
    7f9ab45c2000 r--p 0002c000
    7f9ab45b9000 r--p 00024000
    7f9ab4596000 r-xp 00001000
    7f9ab4595000 r--p 00000000
    7f9ab457c000 rw-p 00000000
    7f9ab4579000 rw-p 001ea000
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    558e1a651000 r-xp 00001000
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```

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KB
[vsyscall]
[vdso]
[vvar]
[stack]

ld-2.31.so
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[heap]
probe
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Mapping
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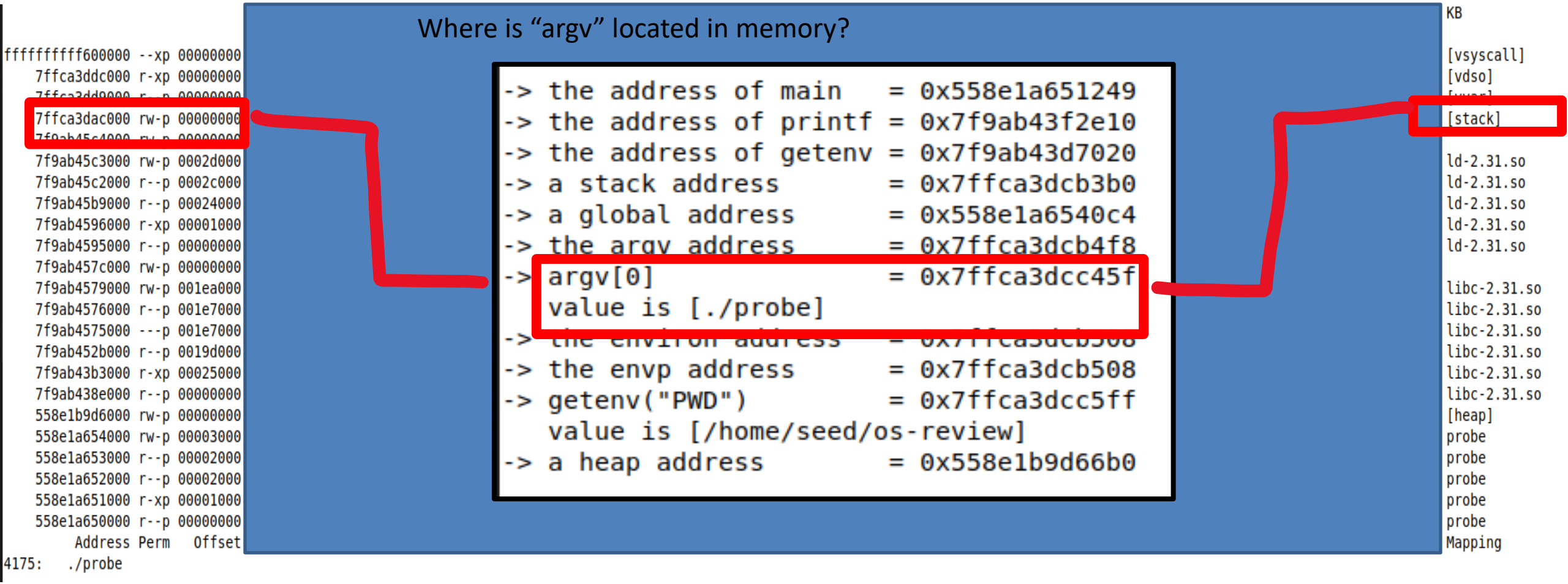
`argv` is an array that holds the command line parameters passed into this program

Applications Layout in Memory

Ouput of `pmap` (process mapping tool)



`argv` is the argument to the main function, so we are in the stack!

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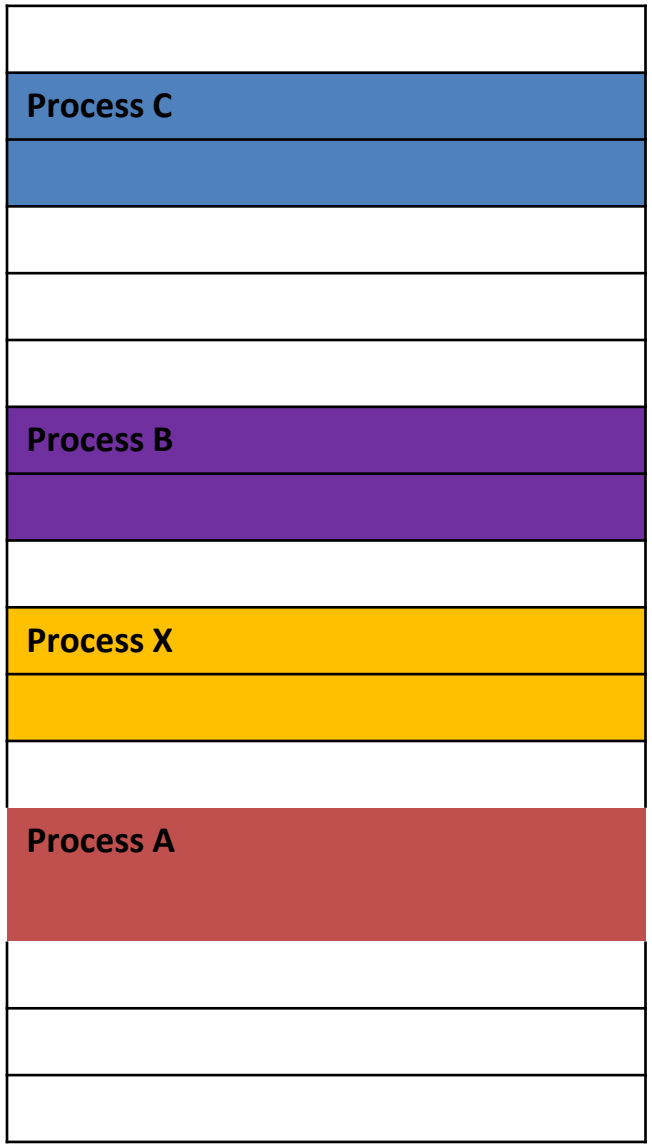

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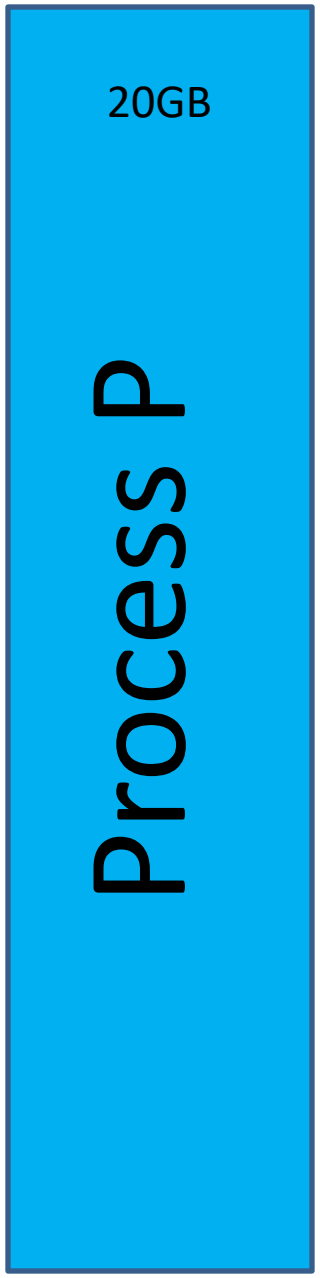

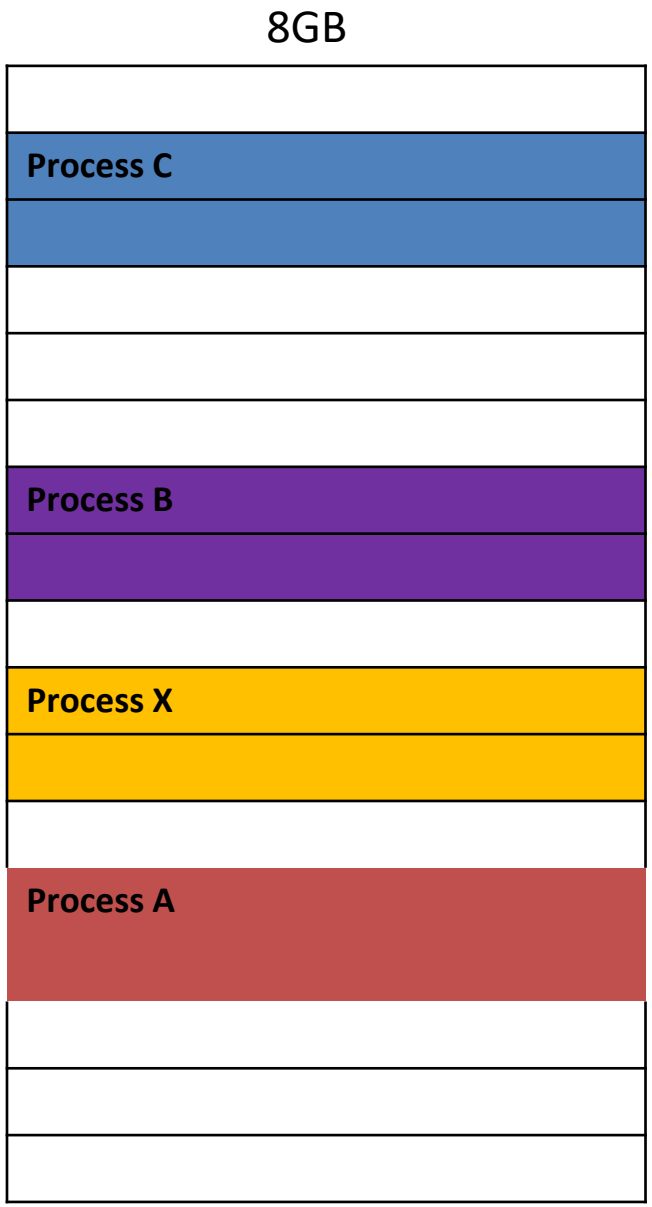

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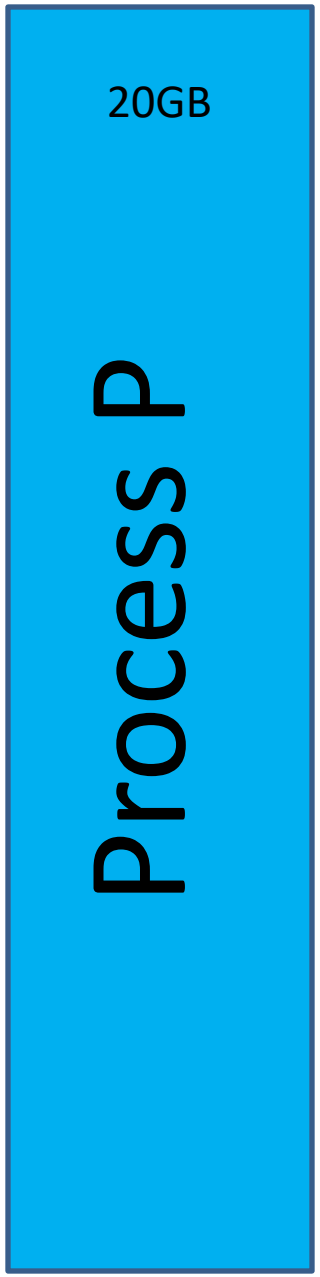

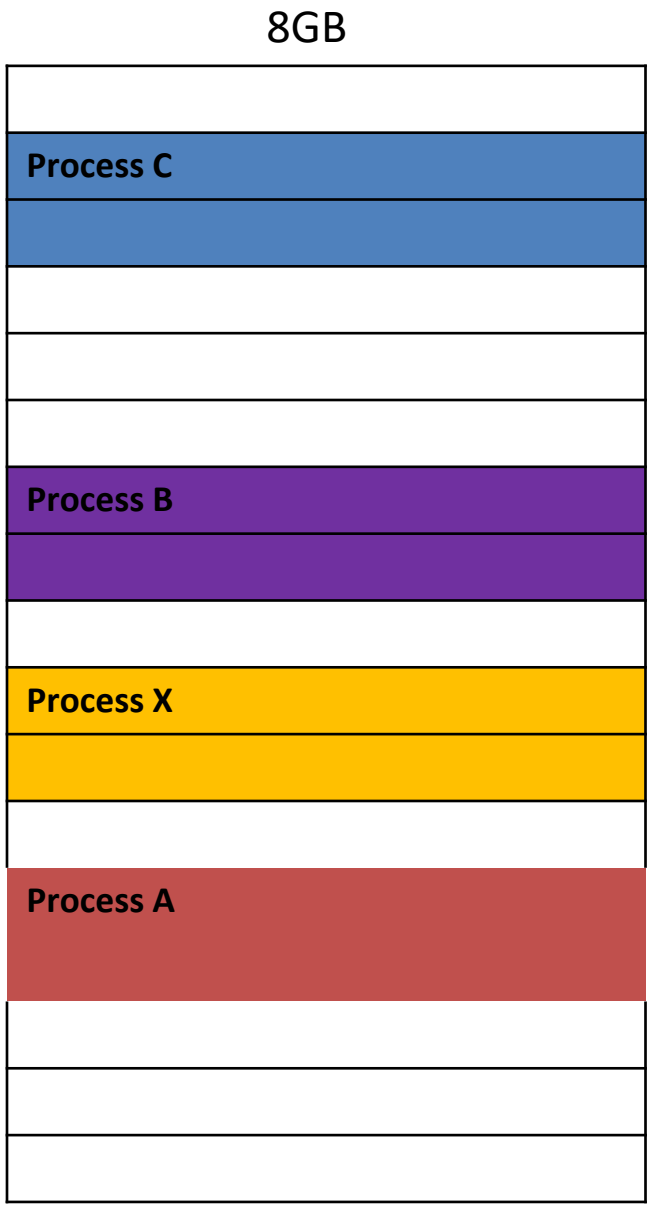

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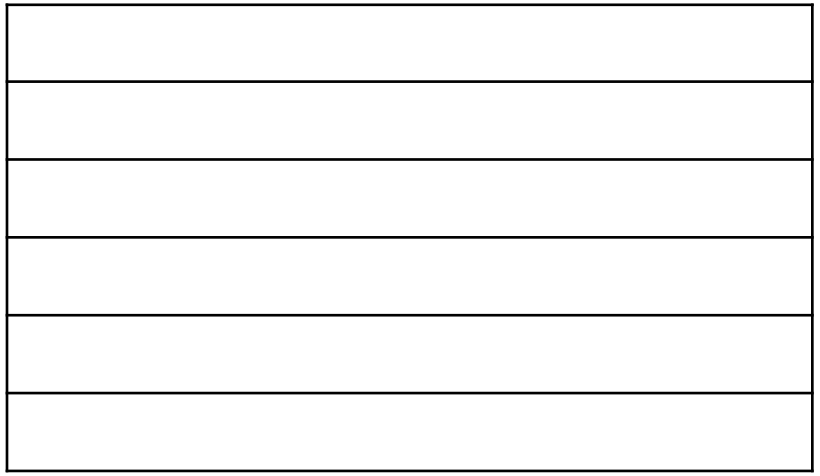

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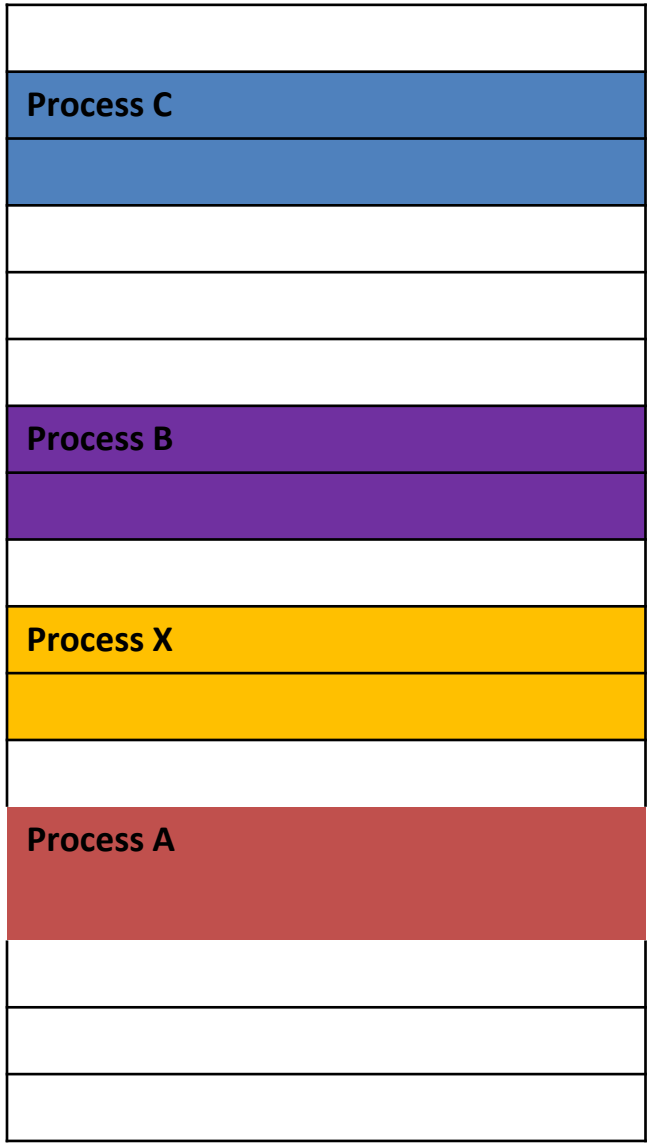

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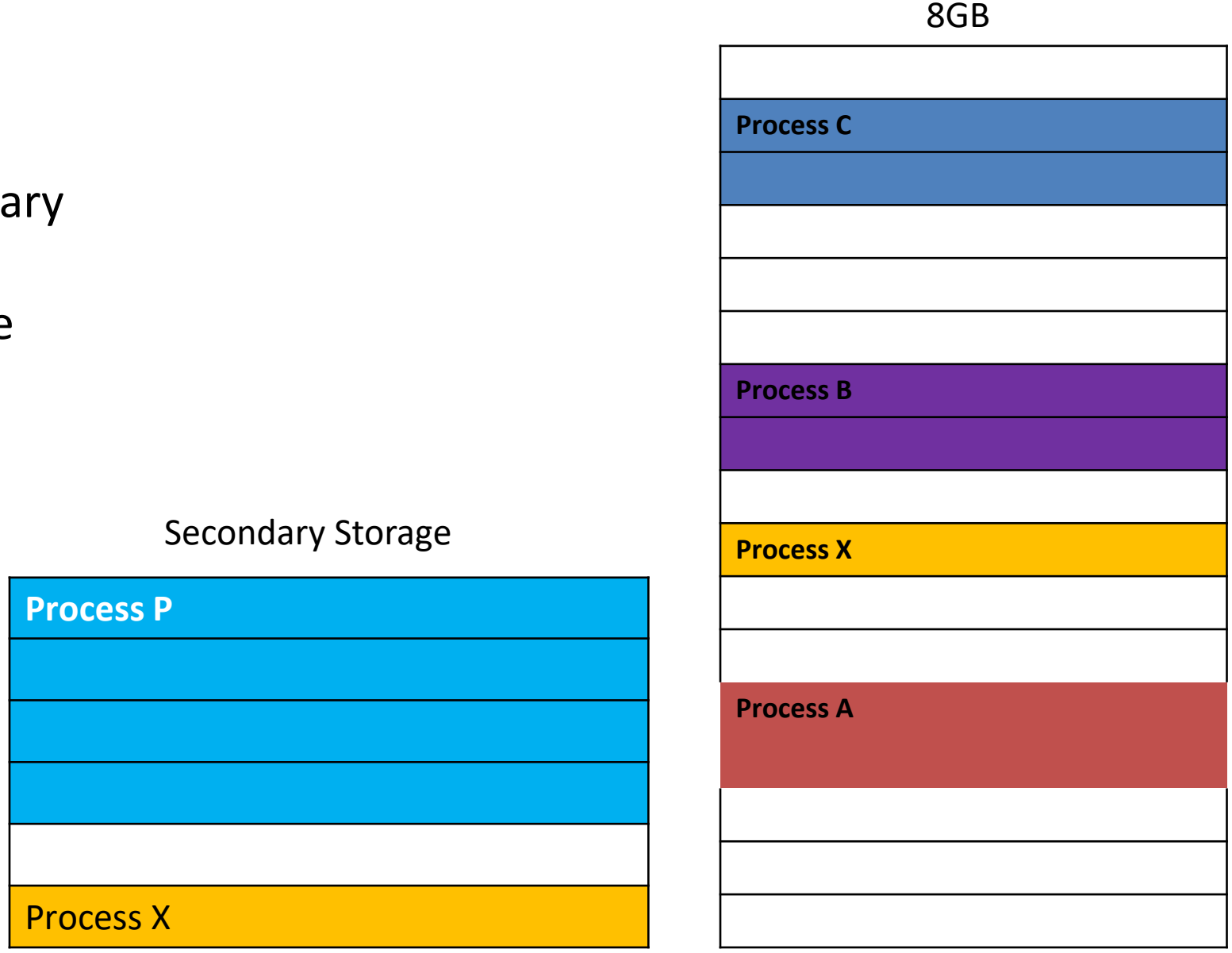

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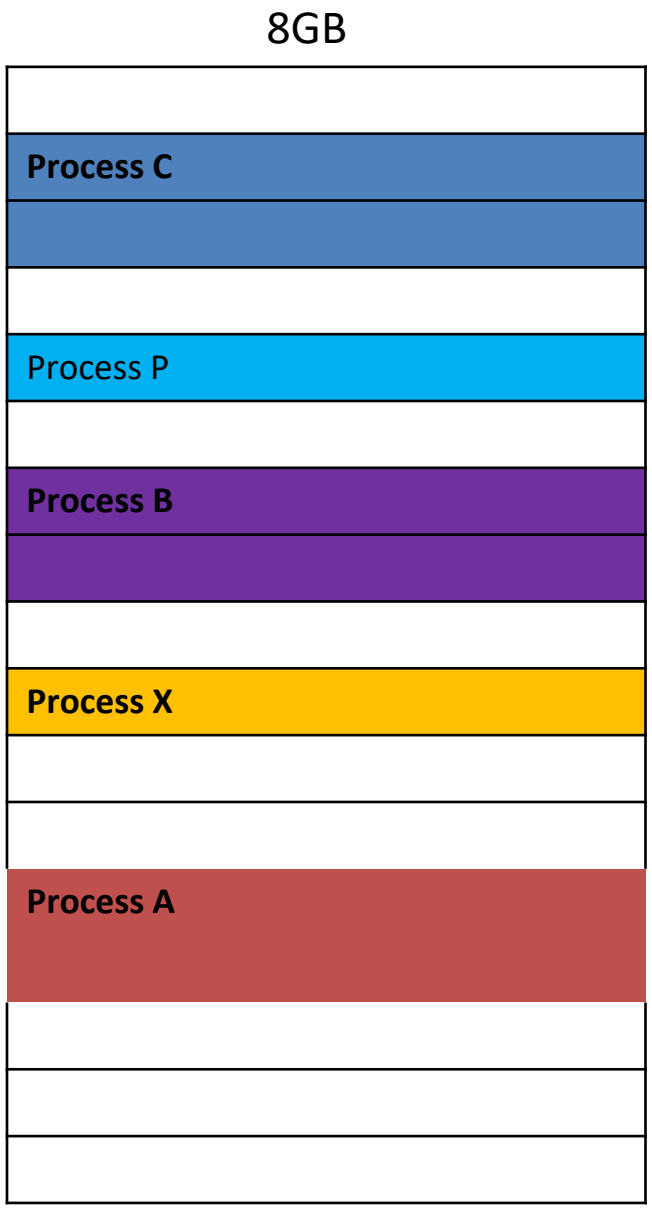

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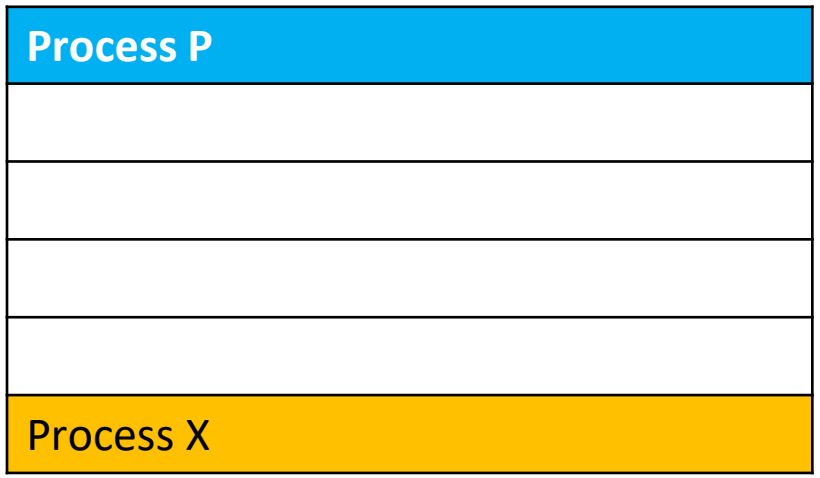

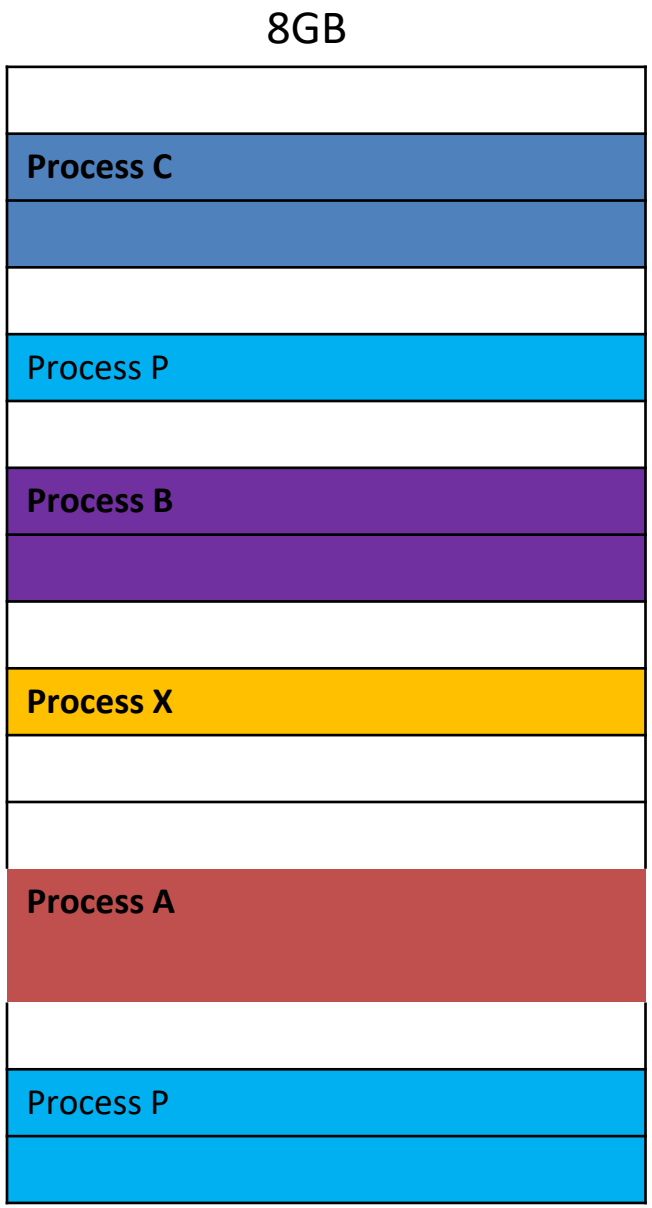

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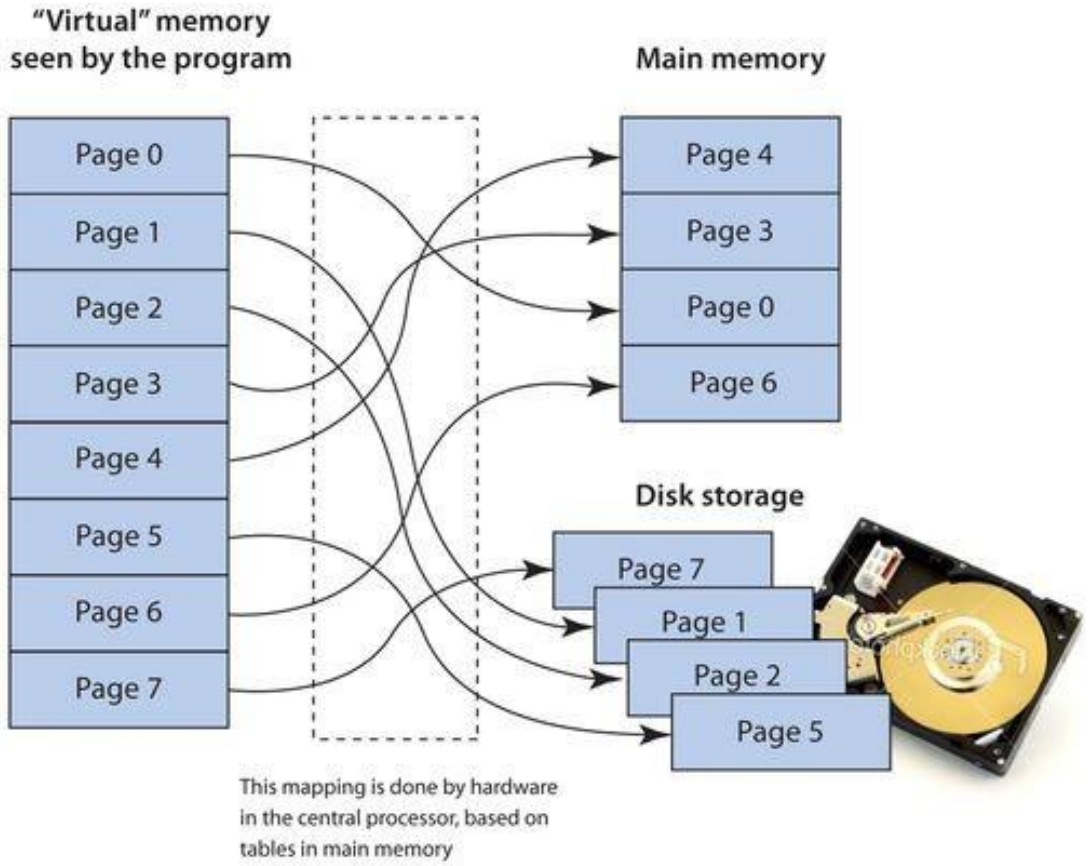

Constantly swapping stuff in and out of main memory

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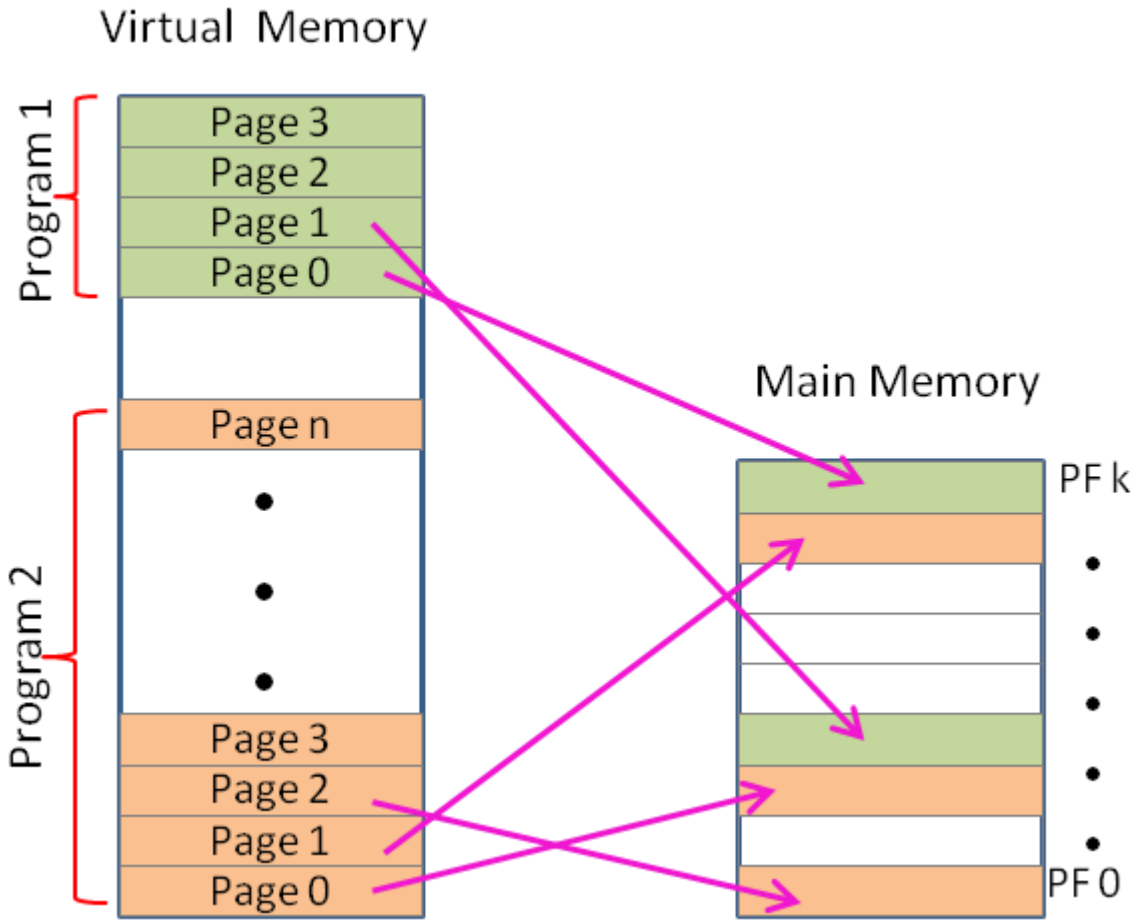

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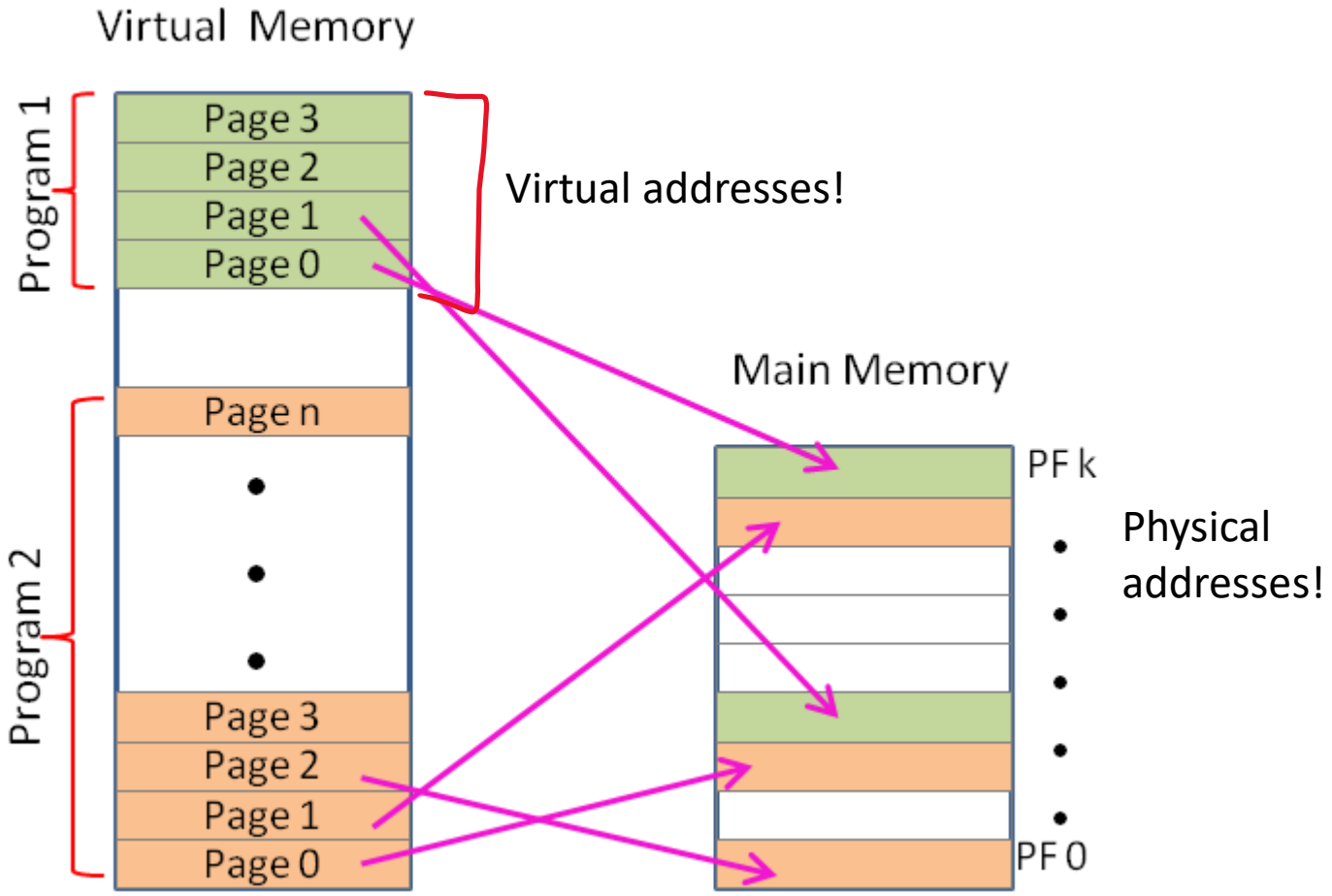

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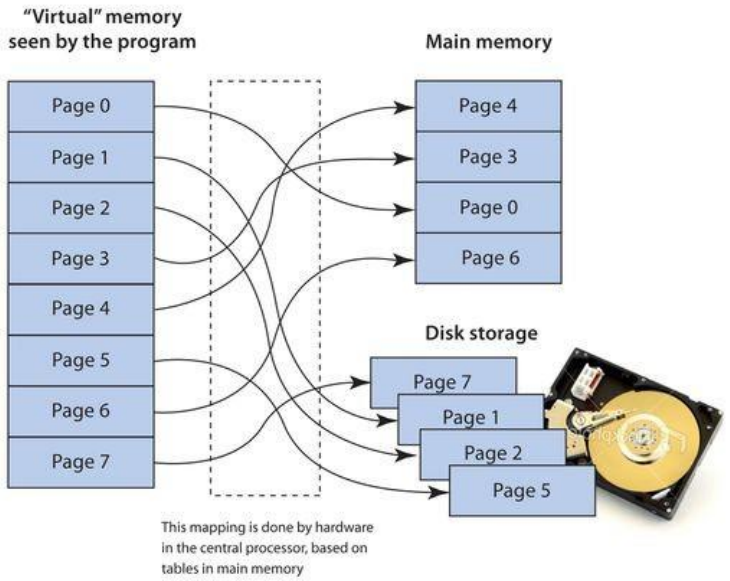
In probe.c, we are seeing virtual addresses!

Internal fragmentation vs external fragmentation

OS Review

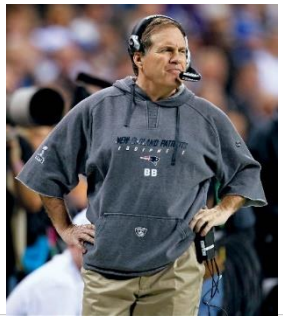
Memory Manager

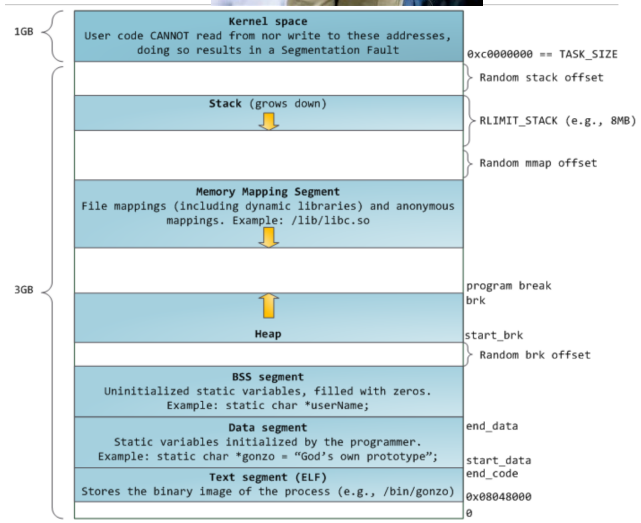
- Manages how physical memory is utilized



Process Manager

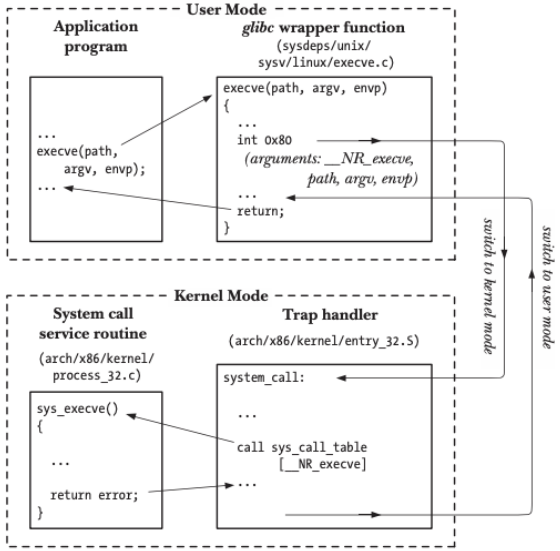
- Manages how processes are structured and how to handle many processes running at once





Interface Manager

- Manages communication between apps and hardware



Traffic Manager

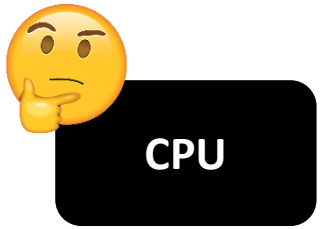
- Manages which programs should be executed by the CPU

Process A *(Ready)*

Process B *(Urgent)*

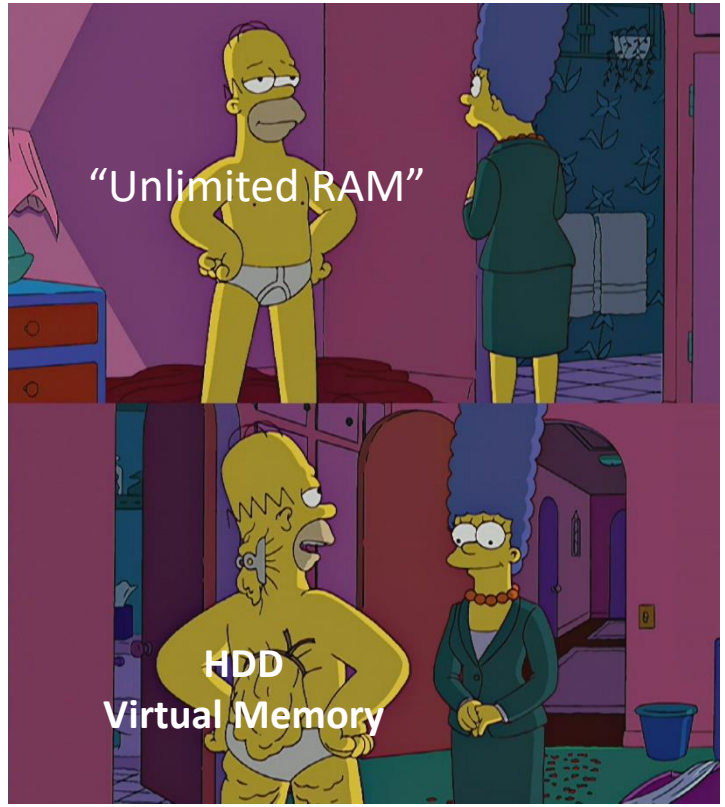
Process C *(Ready)*

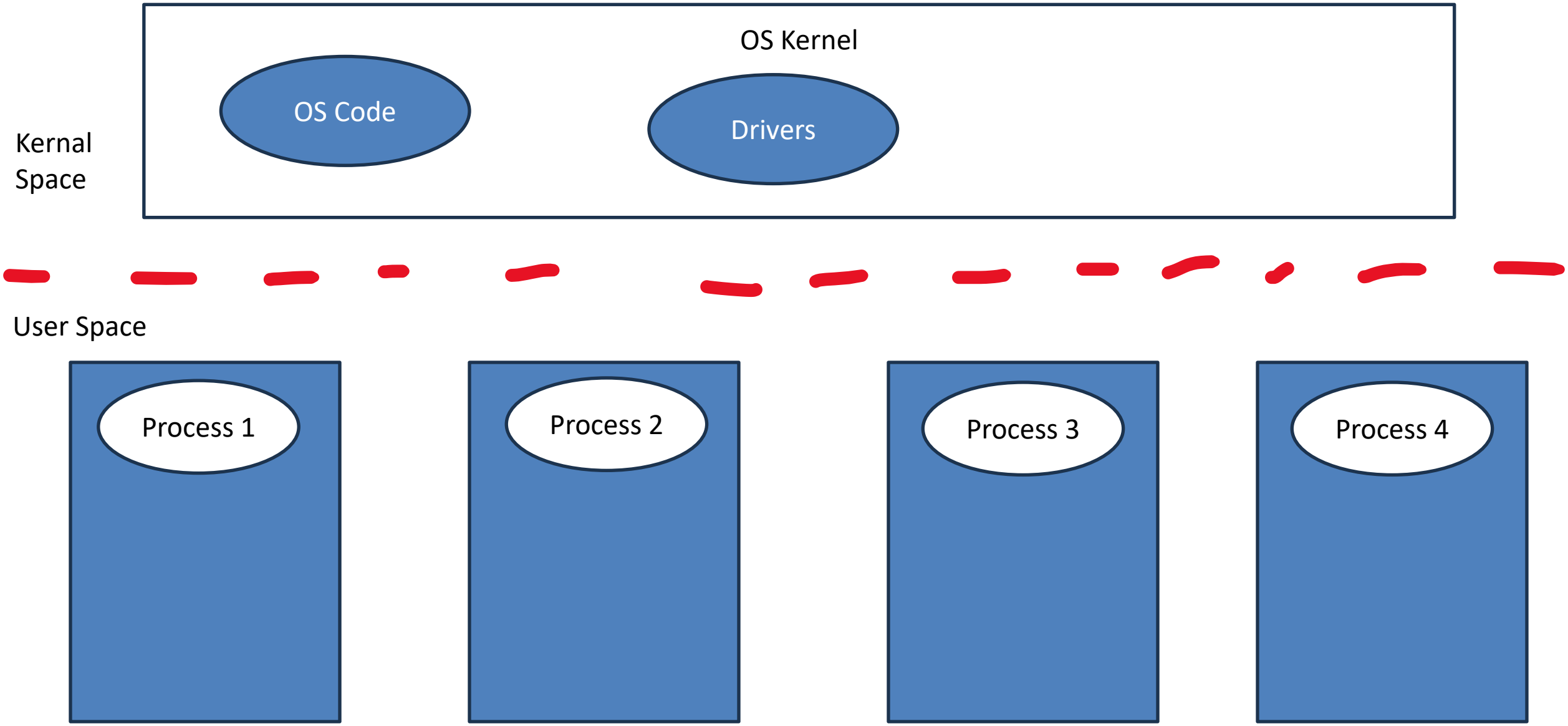
Process D *(Blocked)*



Illusion Manager

- Gives applications the illusion that they have infinite storage and resources





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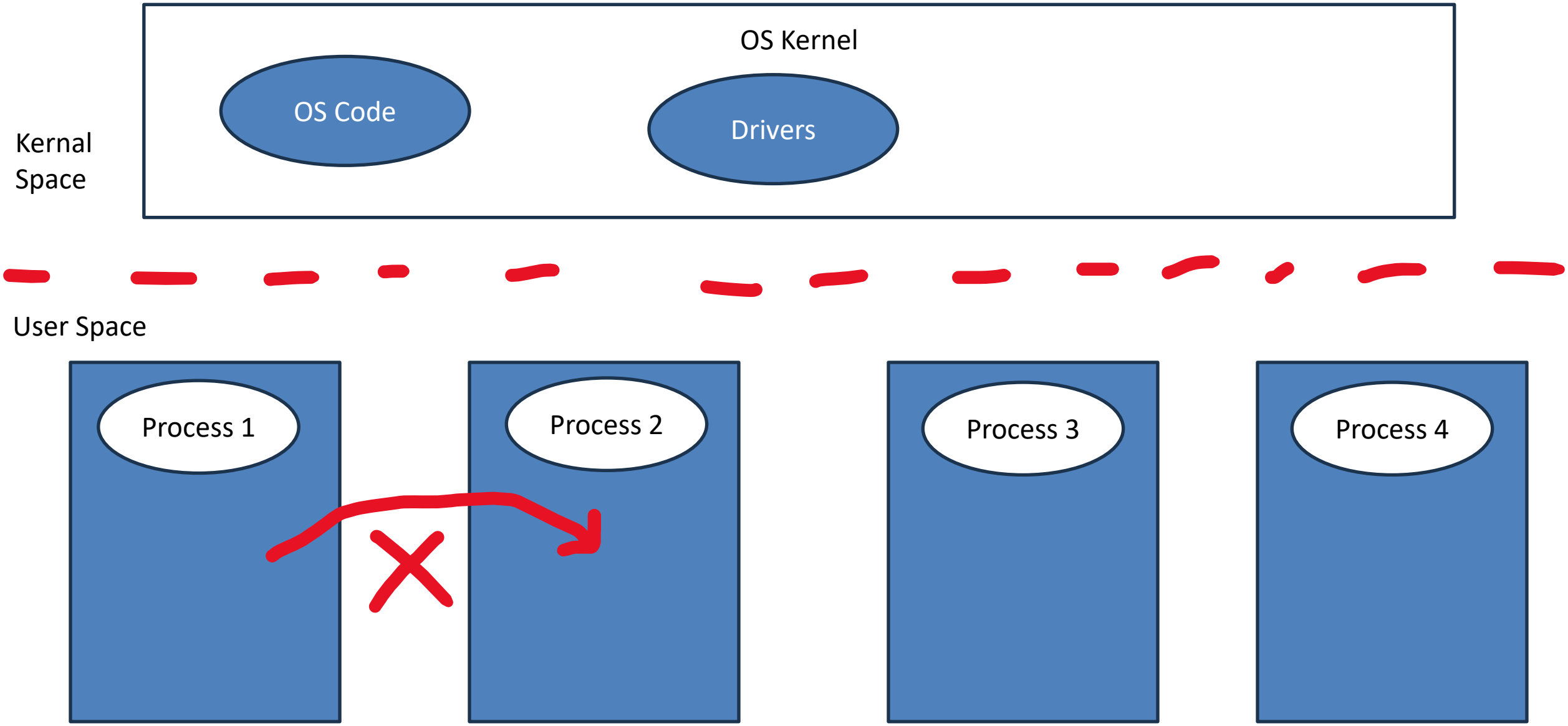

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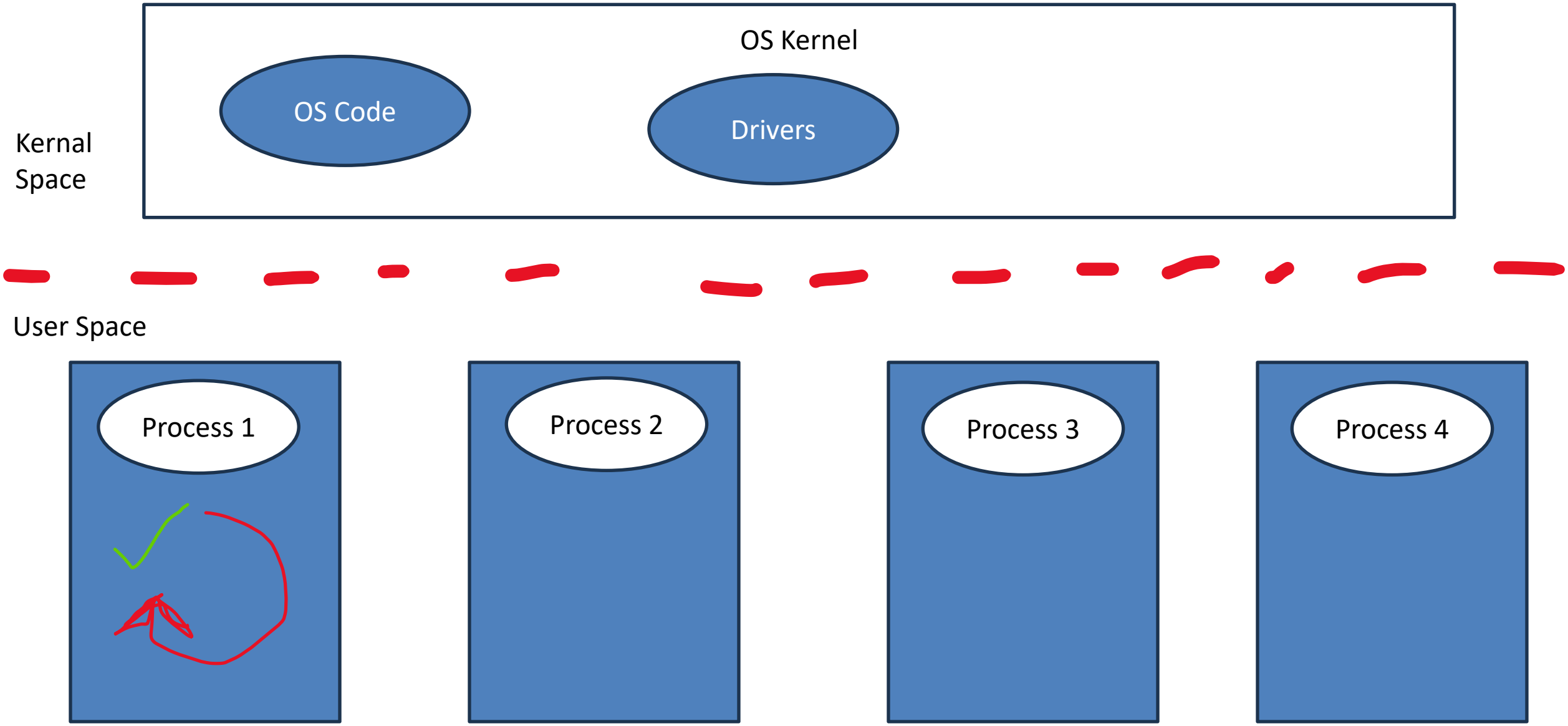

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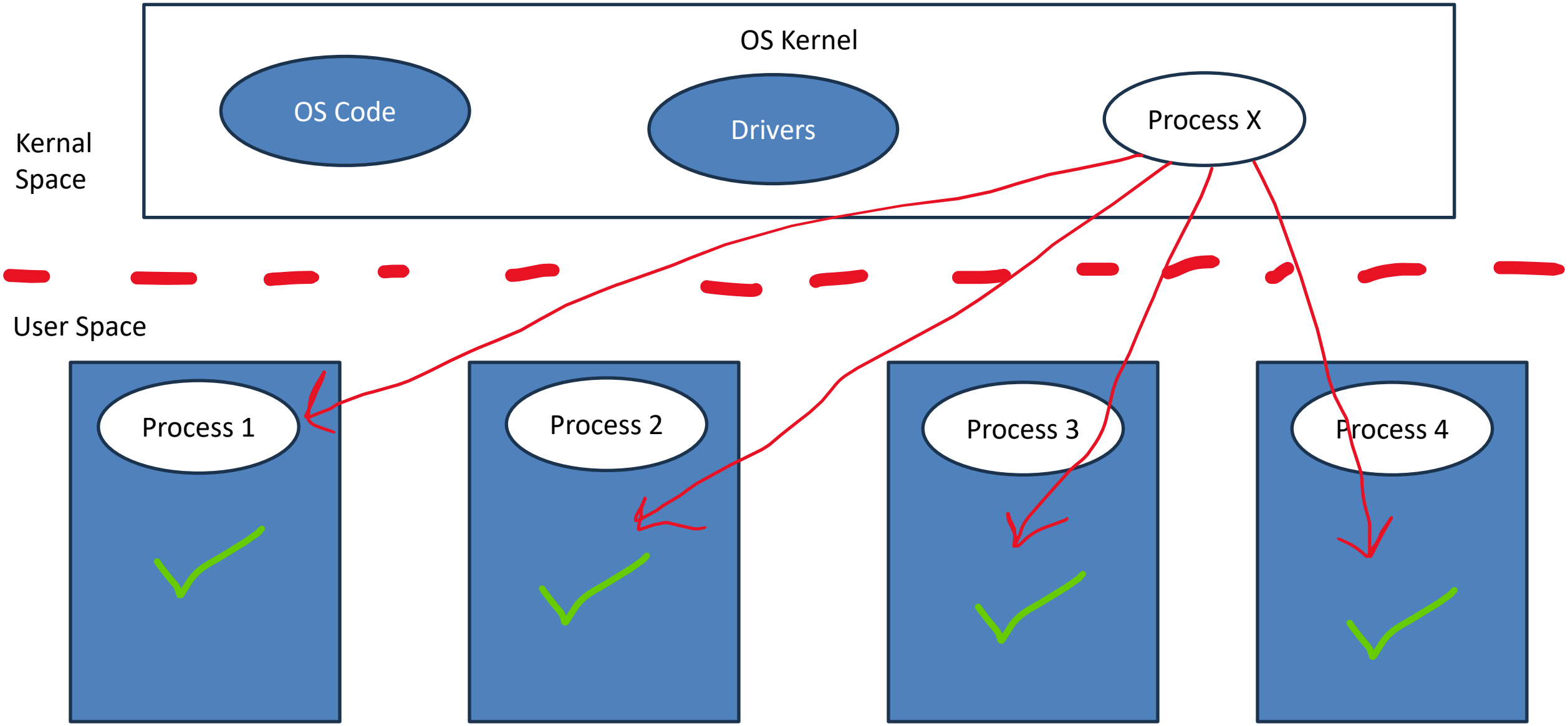


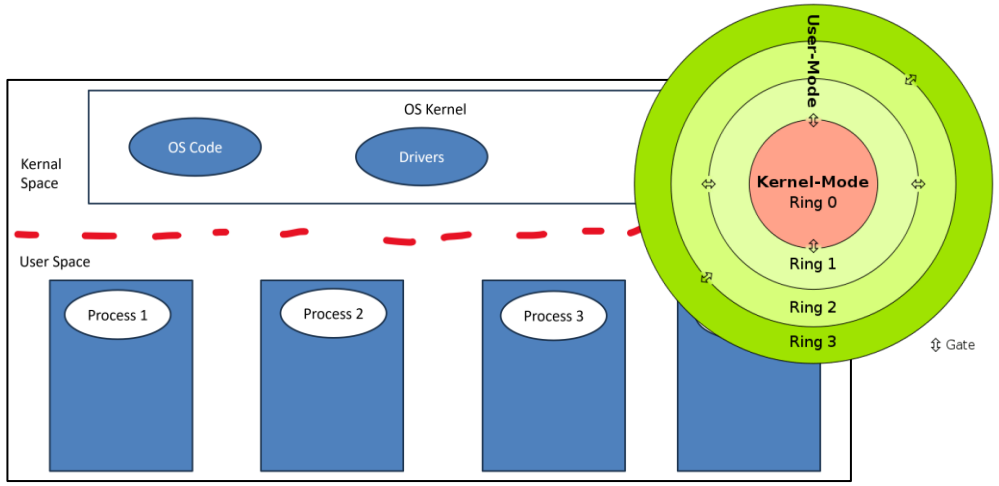
A process running in **kernel mode** has access to **every** process (a big deal!!!)

Case Study: Video Game Anticheat

The purpose of an anticheat program is to detect, prevent, and mitigate cheating in online games.

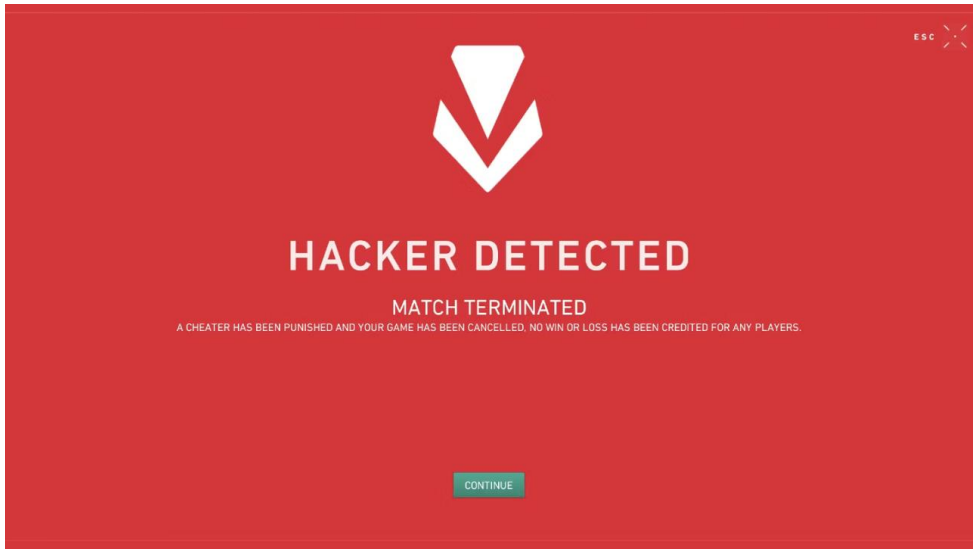
Active Cheating – A process currently running is giving a player unfair advantage while the game is running (aimbot)

Passive Cheating – A program that allows the player to change the game data, save data while the game is not running (hex editors)



Where should anticheat processes be running?

Case Study: Riot Vanguard



Riot Vanguard is the anticheat software for games made by Riot Games
→ League of Legends, Valorant

Riot Vanguard is a **kernel-level** anticheat

This means it has **very elevated** privileges, and can see almost everything on your system. There are different levels of kernel access, and Vanguard still requires **high** levels of access

Allegations have been made that Riot Vanguard is a suspicious program and that it is **spyware**

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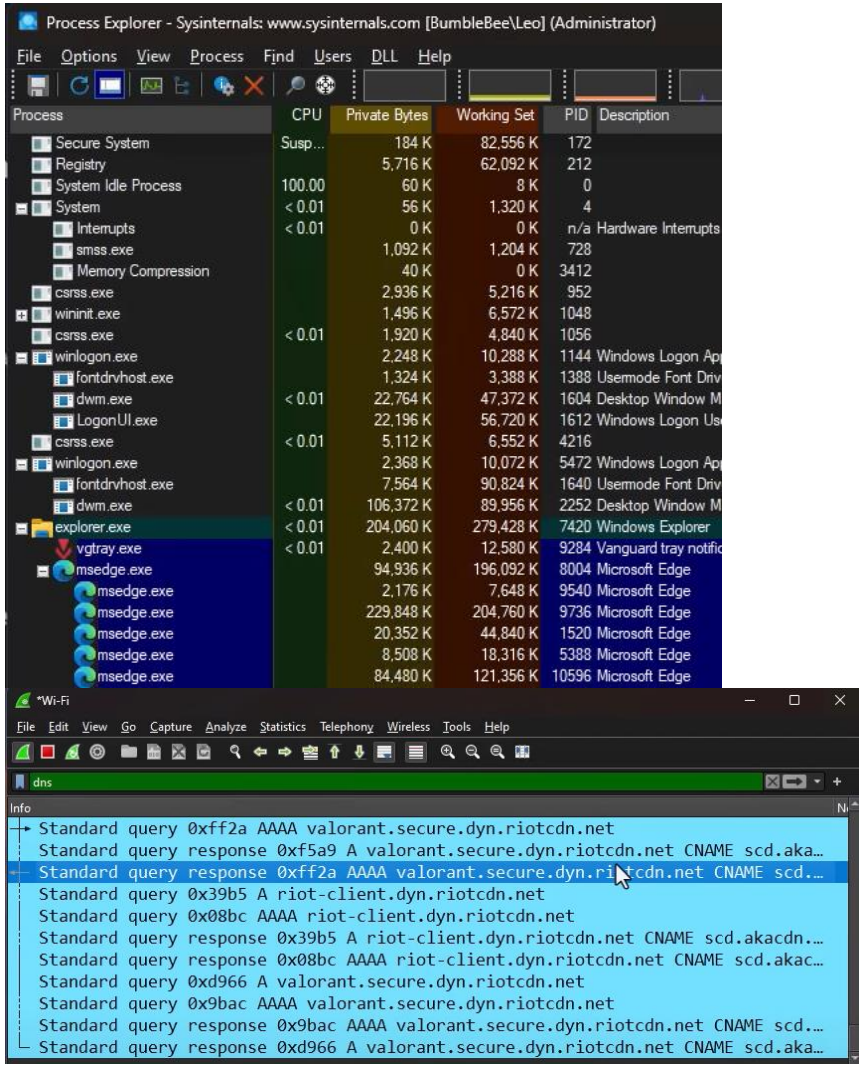

How to determine if something is malware?

- Static Analysis
- Dynamic Analysis

We can look at the network traffic being generated by Riot Vanguard, and we can look at the processes that it creates

<u>Where it gets weird</u>

Riot Vanguard is always running, even when you are not playing the game

If you stop the process, you have to restart your entire PC to play the game

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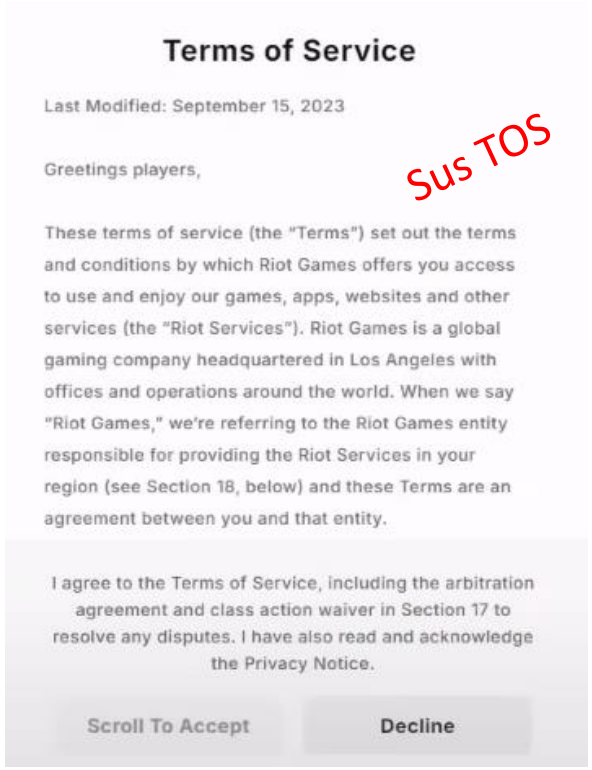

Riot Games is owned by Tencent, a Chinese conglomerate. Tencent acquired a majority stake in Riot Games in 2011 and became the full owner in 2015.

Is it malware?

Kernel Level privilege is a very powerful (and scary) power to grant a process

The fact that it is constantly running, even when not playing the game, raises red flags

Riot Games is also owned by a Chinese company, which also raises many concerns

Many security experts condone the development of kernel-level anticheat

The jobs of an Operating System

1. **Process Manager**
   "The Coach"
2. **Interface Manager**
   "The Bouncer"
3. **Memory Manager**
   "The Farmer"
4. **Traffic Manager**
   "The Judge"
5. **Illusion Manager**
   "The Illusionist"