Final Exam Review: Part 2

COMP400727: Introduction to Computer Systems

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Code Optimization

Improving Performance

```
void lower(char *s)
{
    size_t i;
    size_t len = strlen(s);
    for (i = 0; i < len; i++)
        if (s[i] >= 'A' && s[i] <= 'Z')
        s[i] -= ('A' - 'a');
}</pre>
```

- Move call to strlen outside of loop
- Legal since result does not change from one iteration to another
- Form of code motion

Optimization Blocker: Procedure Calls

- Why couldn't compiler move strlen out of inner loop?
 - Procedure may have side effects
 - Alters global state each time called
 - Function may not return same value for given arguments
 - Depends on other parts of global state
 - Procedure lower could interact with strlen

■ Warning:

- Compiler may treat procedure call as a black box
- Weak optimizations near them
- Remedies:
 - Use of inline functions
 - GCC does this with –O1
 - Within single file
 - Do your own code motion

```
size_t lencnt = 0;
size_t strlen(const char *s)
{
    size_t length = 0;
    while (*s != '\0') {
        s++; length++;
    }
    lencnt += length;
    return length;
}
```

Memory Matters

```
/* Sum rows of n X n matrix a
    and store in vector b */
void sum_rows1(double *a, double *b, long n) {
    long i, j;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        b[i] = 0;
        for (j = 0; j < n; j++)
            b[i] += a[i*n + j];
    }
}</pre>
```

```
# sum_rows1 inner loop

.L4:

movsd (%rsi,%rax,8), %xmm0  # FP load
addsd (%rdi), %xmm0  # FP add
movsd %xmm0, (%rsi,%rax,8)  # FP store
addq $8, %rdi
cmpq %rcx, %rdi
jne .L4
```

- Code updates b[i] on every iteration
- Why couldn't compiler optimize this away?

Memory Aliasing

```
/* Sum rows is of n X n matrix a
    and store in vector b */
void sum_rows1(double *a, double *b, long n) {
    long i, j;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        b[i] = 0;
        for (j = 0; j < n; j++)
            b[i] += a[i*n + j];
    }
}</pre>
```

```
double A[9] =
  { 0,    1,    2,
    4,    8,    16},
   32,   64,  128};

double B[3] = A+3;

sum_rows1(A, B, 3);
```

```
double A[9] =
  { 0,   1,   2,
   3,   22,  224},
  32,  64,  128};
```

Value of B:

```
init: [4, 8, 16]

i = 0: [3, 8, 16]

i = 1: [3, 22, 16]

i = 2: [3, 22, 224]
```

- Code updates b[i] on every iteration
- Must consider possibility that these updates will affect program behavior

Benchmark Computation

```
void combine1(vec_ptr v, data_t *dest)
{
    long int i;
    *dest = IDENT;
    for (i = 0; i < vec_length(v); i++) {
        data_t val;
        get_vec_element(v, i, &val);
        *dest = *dest OP val;
    }
}</pre>
```

Compute sum or product of vector elements

Data Types

- Use different declarations for data t
- int
- long
- float
- double

Operations

- Use different definitions of OP and IDENT
- **+** / 0
- ***** / 1

Basic Optimizations

```
void combine4(vec_ptr v, data_t *dest)
{
  long i;
  long length = vec_length(v);
  data_t *d = get_vec_start(v);
  data_t t = IDENT;
  for (i = 0; i < length; i++)
    t = t OP d[i];
  *dest = t;
}</pre>
```

- Move vec_length out of loop
- Avoid bounds check on each cycle
- Accumulate in temporary

2x1 2x1a 2x2

Loop Unrolling (2x1)

```
void unroll2a combine(vec ptr v, data t *dest)
{
    long length = vec length(v);
    long limit = length-1;
    data t *d = get vec start(v);
    data t x = IDENT;
    long i;
    /* Combine 2 elements at a time */
    for (i = 0; i < limit; i+=2) {
       x = (x OP d[i]) OP d[i+1];
    /* Finish any remaining elements */
    for (; i < length; i++) {
       x = x OP d[i];
    *dest = x;
```

Perform 2x more useful work per iteration

Effect of Loop Unrolling

Method	Integer		Double FP	
Operation	Add	Mult	Add	Mult
Combine4	1.27	3.01	3.01	5.01
Unroll 2x1	1.01	3.01	3.01	5.01
Latency Bound	1.00	3.00	3.00	5.00

Helps integer add

Achieves latency bound

$$x = (x OP d[i]) OP d[i+1];$$

- Others don't improve. Why?
 - Sequential dependency

Loop Unrolling: Reduce Loop Overhead

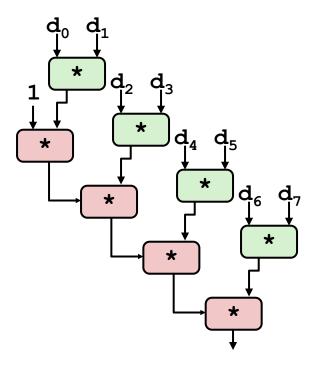
Loop Unrolling with Reassociation (2x1a)

```
void unroll2aa combine(vec ptr v, data t *dest)
{
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    long limit = length-1;
    data t *d = get vec start(v);
    data t x = IDENT;
    long i;
    /* Combine 2 elements at a time */
    for (i = 0; i < limit; i+=2) {
       x = x OP (d[i] OP d[i+1]);
    /* Finish any remaining elements */
    for (; i < length; i++) {
       x = x OP d[i];
                                 Compare to before
                                 x = (x OP d[i]) OP d[i+1];
    *dest = x;
```

- Can this change the result of the computation?
- Yes, for FP. Why?

Reassociated Computation

$$x = x OP (d[i] OP d[i+1]);$$



What changed:

 Ops in the next iteration can be started early (no dependency)

Overall Performance

- N elements, D cycles latency/op
- (N/2+1)*D cycles:CPE = D/2

Effect of Separate Accumulators

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Throughput Bound	0.50	1.00	1.00	0.50

Pipeline: Reduce N to 1

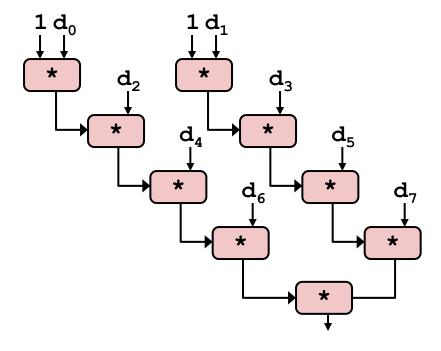
Loop Unrolling with Separate Accumulators (2x2)

```
void unroll2a combine(vec ptr v, data_t *dest)
    long length = vec length(v);
    long limit = length-1;
    data t *d = get vec start(v);
    data t x0 = IDENT;
    data t x1 = IDENT;
    long i;
    /* Combine 2 elements at a time */
    for (i = 0; i < limit; i+=2) {
       x0 = x0 \text{ OP d[i]};
       x1 = x1 OP d[i+1];
    /* Finish any remaining elements */
    for (; i < length; i++) {
        x0 = x0 \text{ OP d[i]};
    *dest = x0 OP x1;
```

Different form of reassociation

Separate Accumulators

```
x0 = x0 OP d[i];
x1 = x1 OP d[i+1];
```



What changed:

Two independent "streams" of operations

Overall Performance

- N elements, D cycles latency/op
- Should be (N/2+1)*D cycles:
 CPE = D/2
- CPE matches prediction!

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Unroll 2x2	0.81	1.51	1.51	2.51
Latency Bound	1.00	3.00	3.00	5.00
Throughput Bound	0.50	1.00	1.00	0.50

Int + makes use of two load units

```
x0 = x0 OP d[i];
x1 = x1 OP d[i+1];
```

2x speedup (over unroll2) for Int *, FP +, FP *

Multiple EU: Reduce N to N/M

2x1: Reduce loop overhead

2x1a: Pipeline

2x2: Pipeline + Multiple-EU

Effect of Reassociation

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4 func. units for int +, 2 func. units for load Why Not .25? 1 func. unit for FP + 3-stage pipelined FP +

2 func. units for FP *,2 func. units for load5-stage pipelined FP *

Linking

Step 1: Symbol Resolution

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```
Referencing
                          a global...
      ...that's defined here
    int sum(int *a, int/n);
                                           int sum(int *a, int n)
     int array[2] = \{1, /2\};
                                                   int i, s = 0;
                                            for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
int main(int argc,char **argv)
                                                         += a[i];
      int val = sum(array, 2);
              return val;
                                                      retuin s;
                           main.c
                                                                    sum.c
Defining
a global
                                                          Linker knows
                      Referencing
                                                       nothing of i or s
         Linker knows
                      a global...
       nothing of val
                             ...that's defined here
```

Symbol Identification

Which of the following names will be in the symbol table of symbols.o?

symbols.c:

Names:

- time
- foo
- a
- argc
- argv
- b
- main
- printf
- Others?

Can find this with readelf:
linux> readelf -s symbols.o

Symbol Identification

Which of the following names will be in the symbol table of symbols.o?

symbols.c:

Names:

```
    time
    foo
    a
    argc
    argv
    b
    main
    printf
    "%d\n"
```

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How Linker Resolves Duplicate Symbol Definitions

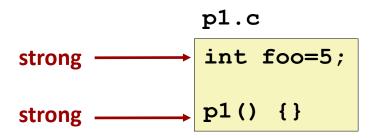
- Program symbols are either *strong* or *weak*
 - Strong: procedures and initialized globals
 - Weak: uninitialized globals
 - Or ones declared with specifier extern

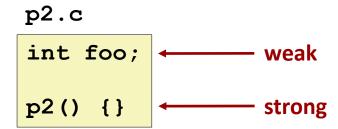
```
p1.c
int foo=5;
p1() {}
```

```
p2.c
int foo;
p2() {}
```

How Linker Resolves Duplicate Symbol Definitions

- Program symbols are either strong or weak
 - Strong: procedures and initialized globals
 - Weak: uninitialized globals
 - Or ones declared with specifier extern





Linker's Symbol Rules

- Rule 1: Multiple strong symbols are not allowed
 - Each item can be defined only once
 - Otherwise: Linker error
- Rule 2: Given a strong symbol and multiple weak symbols, choose the strong symbol
 - References to the weak symbol resolve to the strong symbol
- Rule 3: If there are multiple weak symbols, pick an arbitrary one
 - Can override this with gcc -fno-common
- Puzzles on the next slide

Linker Puzzles

```
int x;
p1() {}
```

```
p1() {}
```

```
int x;
p1() {}
```

```
int x;
p2() {}
```

```
int x;
int y;
p1() {}
```

```
double x;
p2() {}
```

```
int x=7;
int y=5;
p1() {}
```

```
double x;
p2() {}
```

```
int x=7;
p1() {}
```

Linker Puzzles

```
int x;
p1() {}
```

Link time error: two strong symbols (p1)

```
int x;
p1() {}
```

References to x will refer to the same uninitialized int. Is this what you really want?

Writes to x in p2 might overwrite y! Evil!

```
int x=7;
int y=5;
p1() {}
```

Writes to x in p2 might overwrite y! Nasty!

References to x will refer to the same initialized variable.

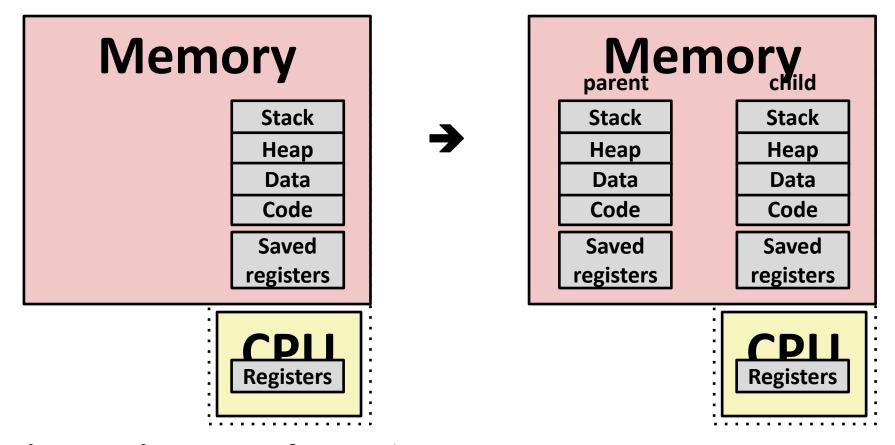
Important: Linker does not do type checking.

Processes and Multitasking

Creating Processes

- Parent process creates a new running child process by calling fork
- int fork (void)
 - Returns 0 to the child process, child's PID to parent process
 - Child is almost identical to parent:
 - Child get an identical (but separate) copy of the parent's virtual address space.
 - Child gets identical copies of the parent's open file descriptors
 - Child has a different PID than the parent
- fork is interesting (and often confusing) because it is called *once* but returns *twice*

Conceptual View of fork



- Make complete copy of execution state
 - Designate one as parent and one as child
 - Resume execution of parent or child

forkx2 Example

```
int main(int argc, char** argv)
{
   pid t pid;
    int x = 1;
   pid = Fork();
    if (pid == 0) { /* Child */
        printf("child : x=%d\n", ++x);
        printf("child : x=%d\n", ++x);
        return 0;
    }
    /* Parent */
   printf("parent: x=%d\n", --x);
   printf("parent: x=%d\n", --x);
    return 0;
```

```
linux> ./fork2
parent: x=0
parent: x=-1
child : x=2
child : x=3
```

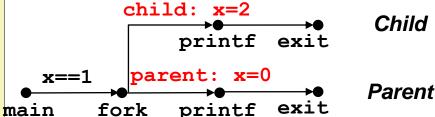
- Call once, return twice
- Concurrent execution
 - Can't predict execution order of parent and child
- Duplicate but separate address space
 - x has a value of 1 when fork returns in parent and child
 - Subsequent changes to x are independent
- Shared open files
 - stdout is the same in both parent and child

Modeling fork with Process Graphs

- A process graph is a useful tool for capturing the partial ordering of statements in a concurrent program:
 - Each vertex is the execution of a statement
 - a -> b means a happens before b
 - Edges can be labeled with current value of variables
 - printf vertices can be labeled with output
 - Each graph begins with a vertex with no inedges
- Any topological sort of the graph corresponds to a feasible total ordering.
 - Total ordering of vertices where all edges point from left to right

Process Graph Example

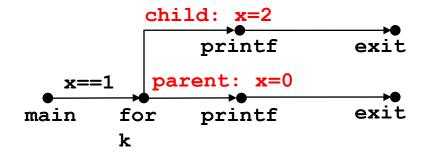
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int main(int argc, char** argv)
{
   pid t pid;
    int x = 1;
   pid = Fork();
    if (pid == 0) { /* Child */
        printf("child : x=%d\n", ++x);
       return 0;
    }
    /* Parent */
   printf("parent: x=%d\n", --x);
    return 0;
                                 fork.c
```



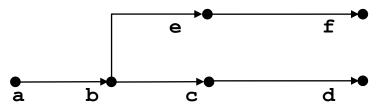
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Interpreting Process Graphs

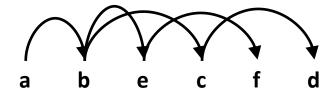
Original graph:



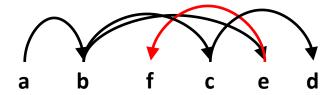
Relabled graph:



Feasible total ordering:

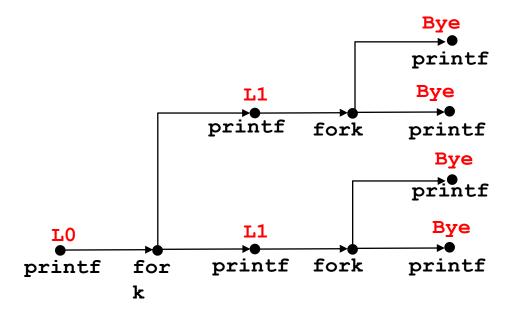


Infeasible total ordering:



fork Example: Two consecutive forks

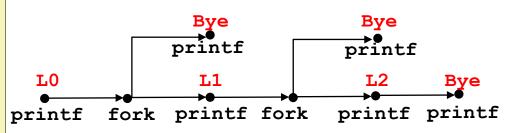
```
void fork2()
{
    printf("L0\n");
    fork();
    printf("L1\n");
    fork();
    printf("Bye\n");
}
```



Feasible output:	Infeasible output:
LO	LO
L1	Bye
Bye	L1
Bye	Bye
L1	L1
Bye	Bye
Bye	Bye

fork Example: Nested forks in parent

```
void fork4()
{
    printf("L0\n");
    if (fork() != 0) {
        printf("L1\n");
        if (fork() != 0) {
            printf("L2\n");
        }
    }
    printf("Bye\n");
}
```



Feasible output:	Infeasible output:
LO	LO
L1	Bye
Bye	L1
Bye	Bye
L2	Bye
Bve	L2

fork Example: Nested forks in children

```
void fork5()
{
    printf("L0\n");
    if (fork() == 0) {
        printf("L1\n");
        if (fork() == 0) {
            printf("L2\n");
        }
     }
    printf("Bye\n");
}
```

```
printf printf

L1 Bye

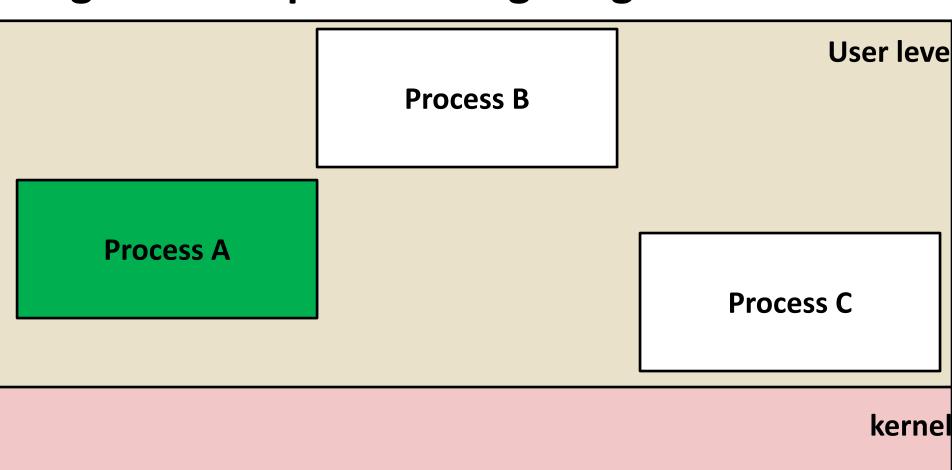
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L0 Bye

printf fork printf
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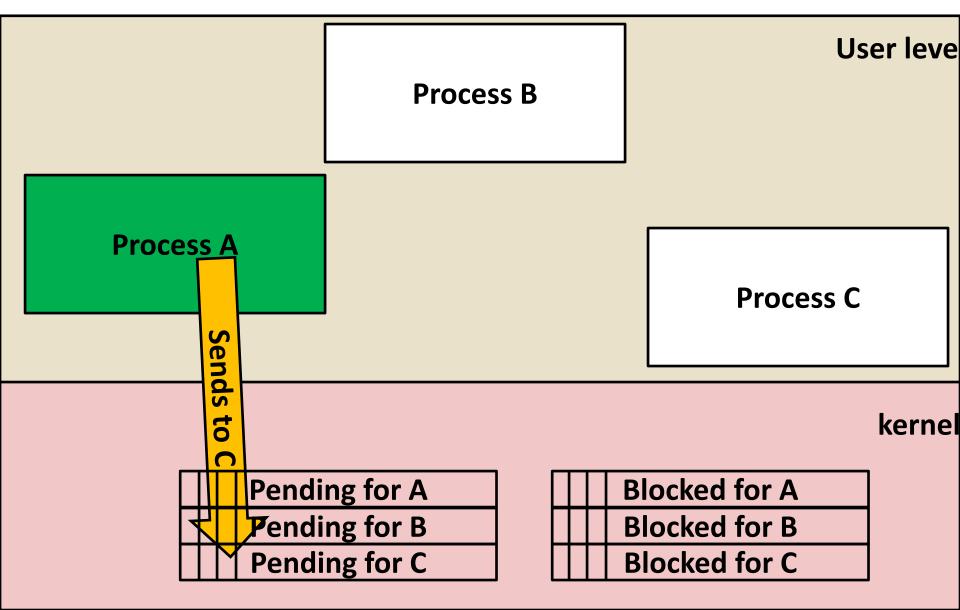
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L2	Bye
Bye	Bye
Bye	L2

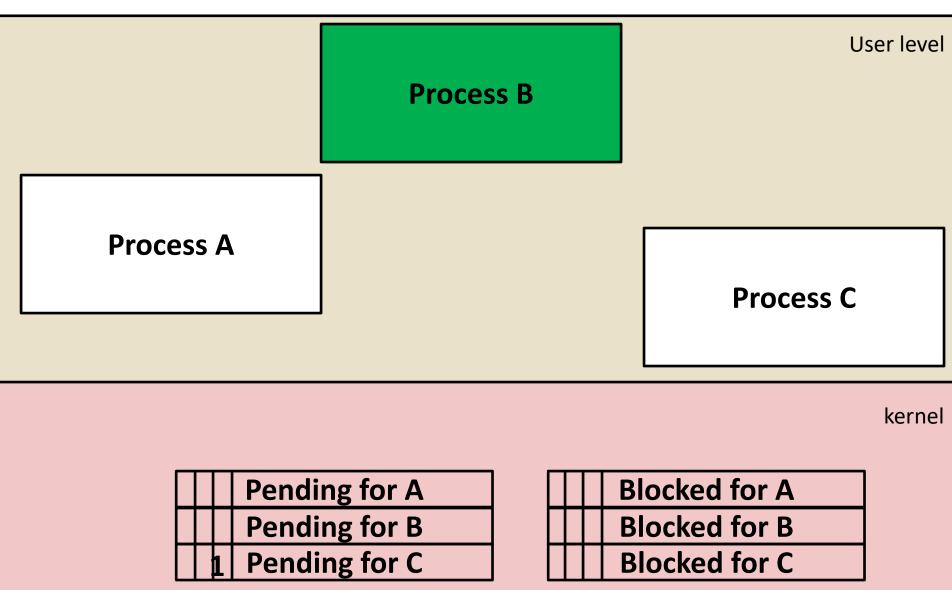
Exceptional Control Flow

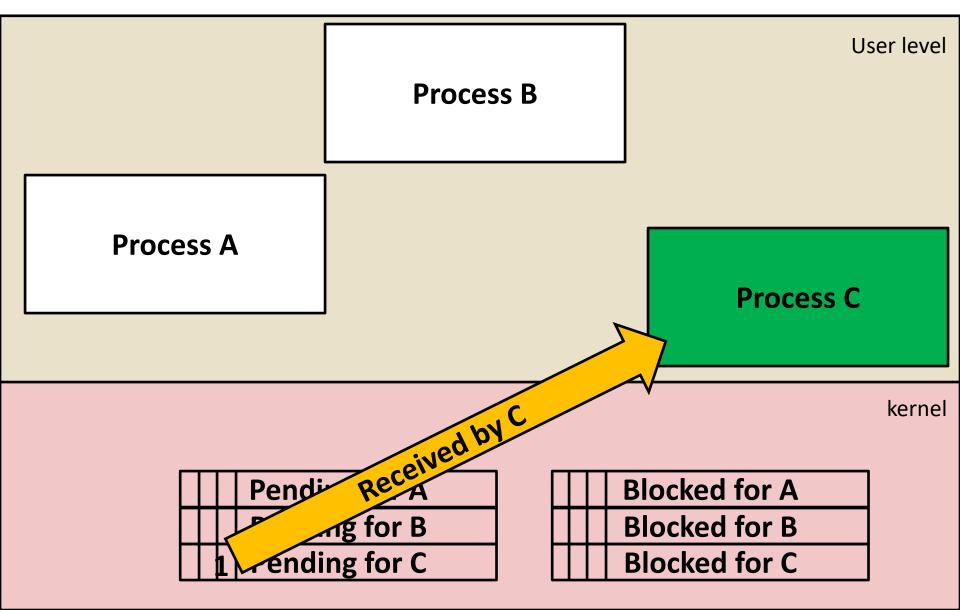


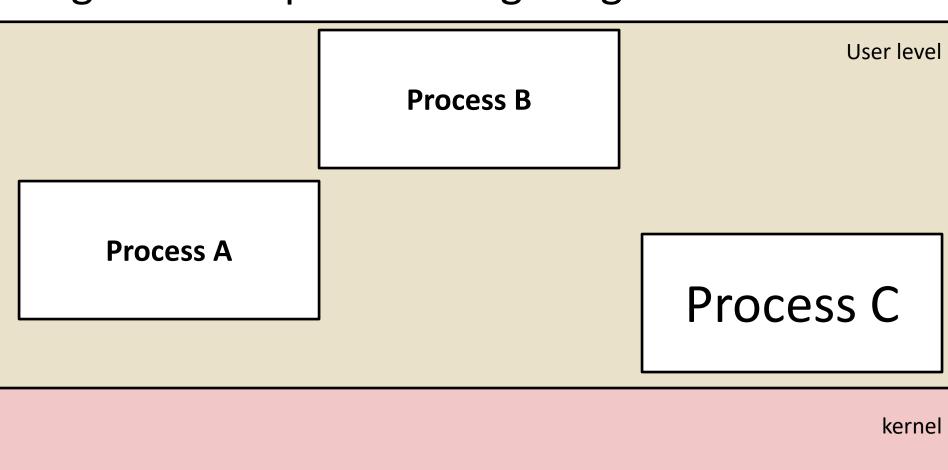
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	Blocked for A
	Blocked for B
	Blocked for C







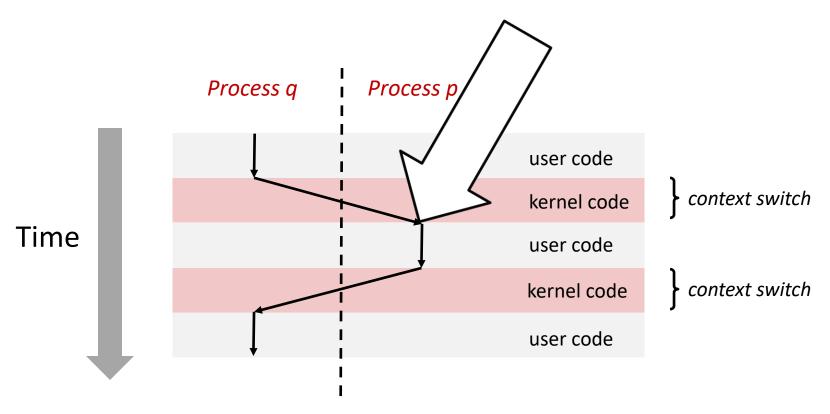


	Pending for A
	Pending for B
þ	Pending for C

	Blocked for A
	Blocked for B
	Blocked for C

Receiving Signals

Suppose kernel is returning from an exception handler and is ready to pass control to process p



volatile int ccount = 0; void child handler(int sig) { int olderrno = errno; pid t pid; if ((pid = wait(NULL)) < 0)</pre> Sio error("wait error"); ccount--; Sio puts ("Handler reaped child "); Sio putl((long)pid); Sio puts(" \n"); sleep(1); errno = olderrno; This code is incorrect! void fork14() { pid t pid[N]; int i; N == 5ccount = N; Signal(SIGCHLD, child handler); for (i = 0; i < N; i++) { if ((pid[i] = Fork()) == 0) { Sleep(1); exit(0); /* Child exits */ } while (ccount > 0) /* Parent spins */

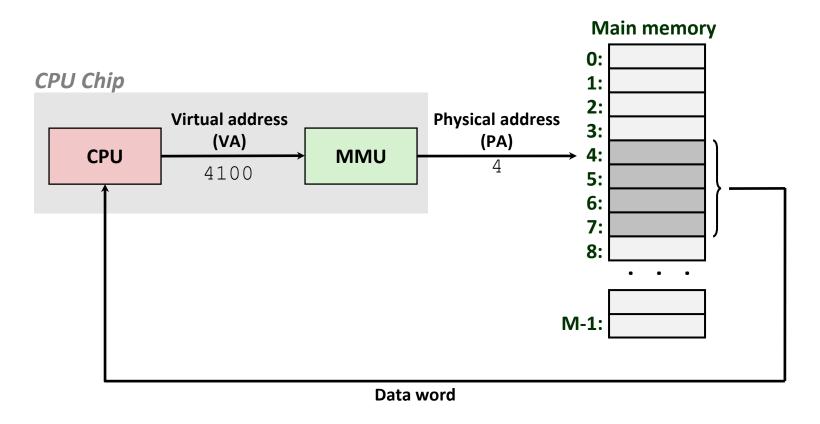
Correct Signal Handling

- Pending signals are not queued
 - For each signal type, one bit indicates whether or not signal is pending...
 - ...thus at most one pending signal of any particular type.
- You can't use signals to count events, such as children terminating.

```
whaleshark> ./forks 14
Handler reaped child 23240
Handler reaped child 23241
...(hangs)
```

Virtual Memory

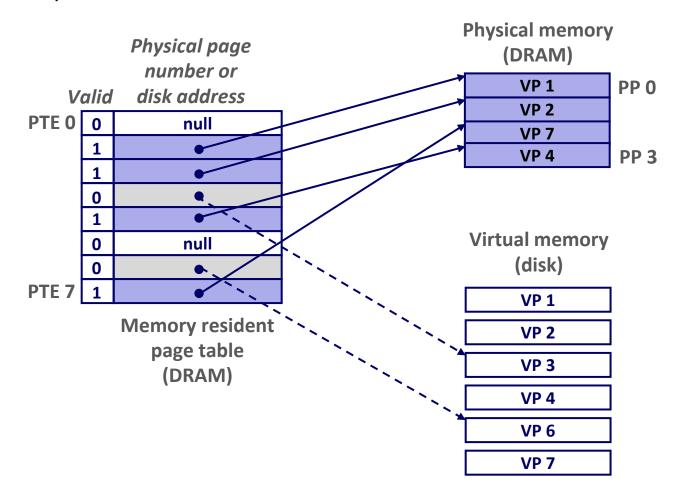
A System Using Virtual Addressing



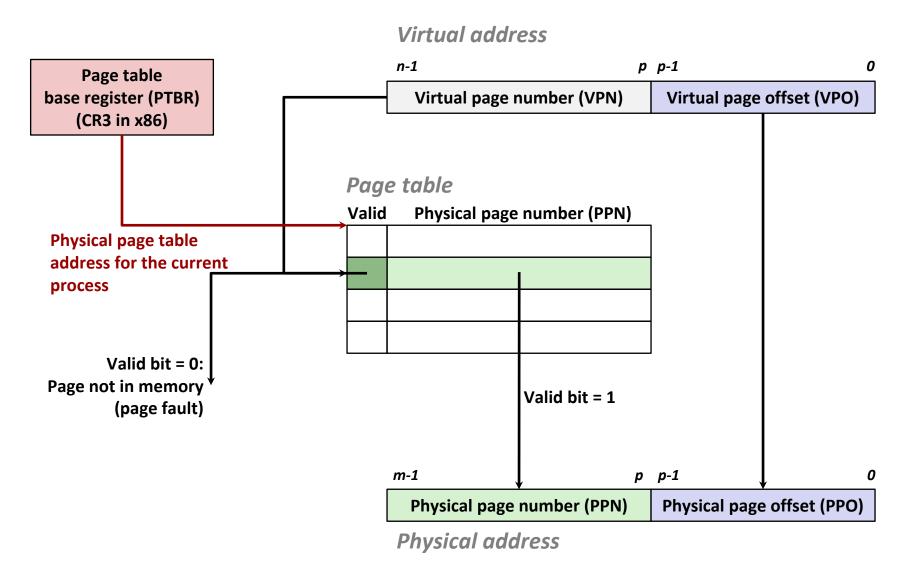
- Used in all modern servers, laptops, and smart phones
- One of the great ideas in computer science

Enabling Data Structure: Page Table

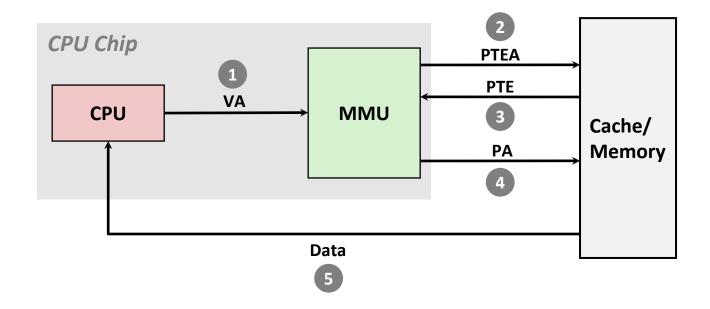
- A page table is an array of page table entries (PTEs) that maps virtual pages to physical pages.
 - Per-process kernel data structure in DRAM



Address Translation With a Page Table

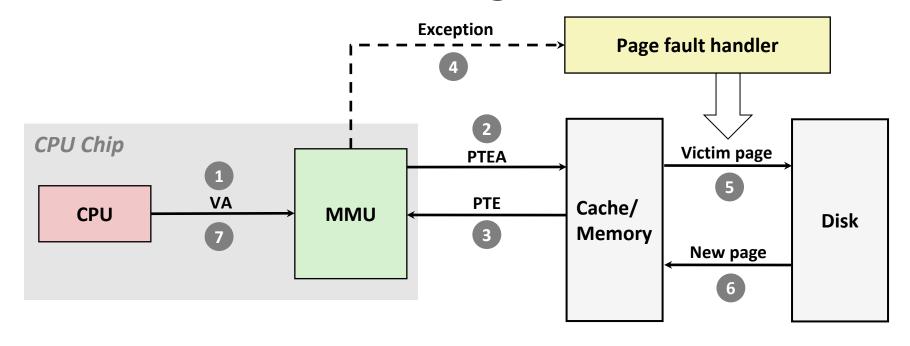


Address Translation: Page Hit



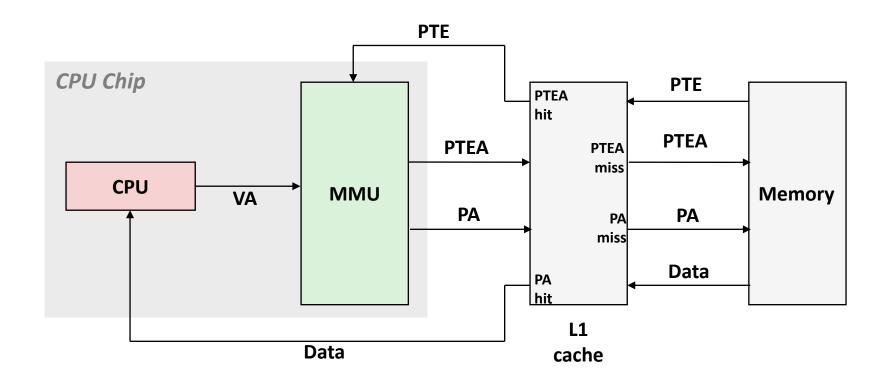
- 1) Processor sends virtual address to MMU
- 2-3) MMU fetches PTE from page table in memory
- 4) MMU sends physical address to cache/memory
- 5) Cache/memory sends data word to processor

Address Translation: Page Fault



- 1) Processor sends virtual address to MMU
- 2-3) MMU fetches PTE from page table in memory
- 4) Valid bit is zero, so MMU triggers page fault exception
- 5) Handler identifies victim (and, if dirty, pages it out to disk)
- 6) Handler pages in new page and updates PTE in memory
- 7) Handler returns to original process, restarting faulting instruction

Integrating VM and Cache

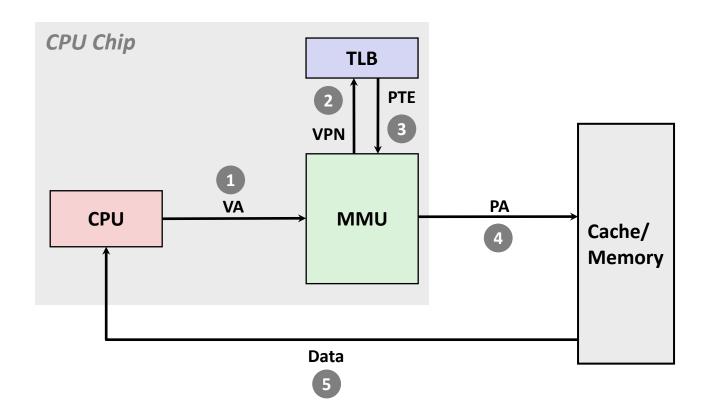


VA: virtual address, PA: physical address, PTE: page table entry, PTEA = PTE address

Speeding up Translation with a TLB

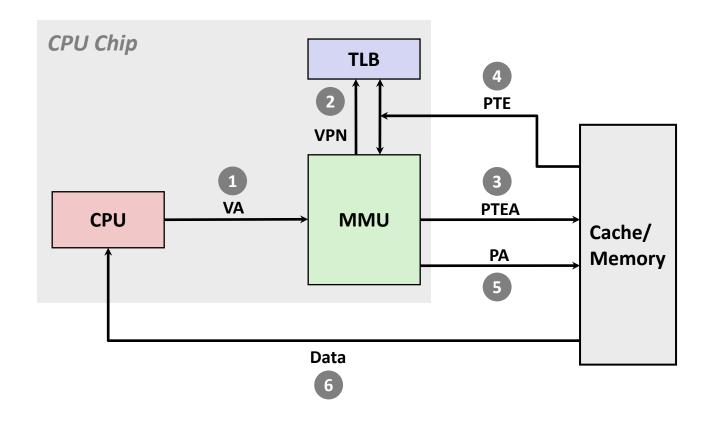
- Page table entries (PTEs) are cached in L1 like any other memory word
 - PTEs may be evicted by other data references
 - PTE hit still requires a small L1 delay
- Solution: Translation Lookaside Buffer (TLB)
 - Small set-associative hardware cache in MMU
 - Maps virtual page numbers to physical page numbers
 - Contains complete page table entries for small number of pages

TLB Hit



A TLB hit eliminates a memory access

TLB Miss



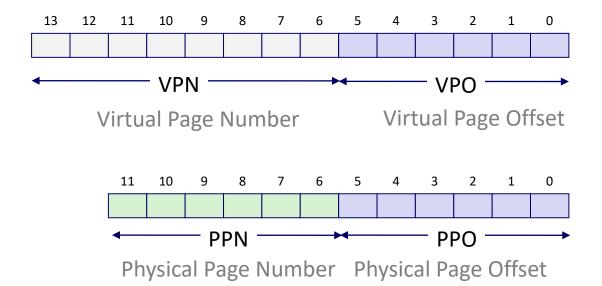
A TLB miss incurs an additional memory access (the PTE)

Fortunately, TLB misses are rare. Why?

Simple Memory System Example

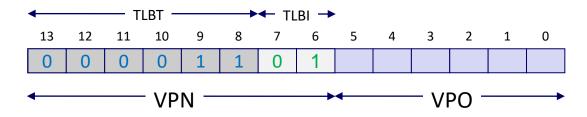
Addressing

- 14-bit virtual addresses
- 12-bit physical address
- Page size = 64 bytes



Simple Memory System TLB

- 16 entries
- 4-way associative



VPN = 0b1101 = 0x0D

Translation Lookaside Buffer (TLB)

Set	Tag	PPN	Valid									
0	03	-	0	09	0D	1	00	-	0	07	02	1
1	03	2D	1	02	-	0	04	_	0	0A	-	0
2	02	-	0	08	_	0	06	-	0	03	-	0
3	07	_	0	03	0D	1	0A	34	1	02	_	0

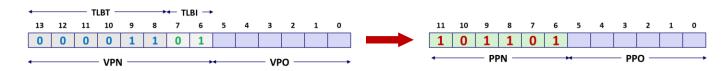
Simple Memory System Page Table

Only showing the first 16 entries (out of 256)

VPN	PPN	Valid
00	28	1
01	1	0
02	33	1
03	02	1
04	-	0
05	16	1
06	_	0
07	_	0

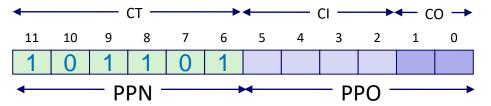
VPN	PPN	Valid
08	13	1
09	17	1
0A	09	1
OB	1	0
0C	_	0
0D	2D	1
OE	11	1
OF	0D	1





Simple Memory System Cache

- 16 lines, 4-byte cache line size
- Physically addressed
- Direct mapped

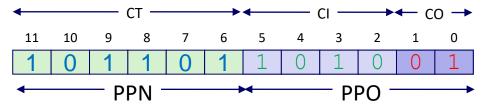


Idx	Tag	Valid	В0	B1	B2	В3
0	19	1	99	11	23	11
1	15	0	ı	ı	_	_
2	1B	1	00	02	04	08
3	36	0	ı	ı	_	_
4	32	1	43	6D	8F	09
5	0D	1	36	72	F0	1D
6	31	0	ı	-	-	-
7	16	1	11	C2	DF	03

ldx	Tag	Valid	В0	B1	B2	В3
8	24	1	3A	00	51	89
9	2D	0	ı	ı	ı	_
Α	2D	1	93	15	DA	3B
В	OB	0	1	1	1	_
С	12	0	ı	ı	ı	-
D	16	1	04	96	34	15
Е	13	1	83	77	1B	D3
F	14	0	ı	ı	1	_

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0	19	1	99	11	23	11
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6	31	0	ı	-	-	-
7	16	1	11	C2	DF	03

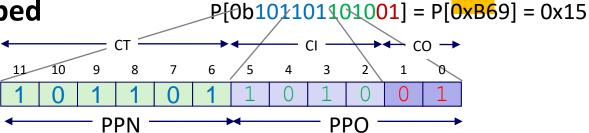
ldx	Tag	Valid	В0	B1	B2	В3
8	24	1	3A	00	51	89
9	2D	0	ı	ı	ı	_
Α	2D	1	93	15	DA	3B
В	OB	0	1	-	1	-
С	12	0	_	_	_	-
D	16	1	04	96	34	15
Е	13	1	83	77	1B	D3
F	14	0	_	_	_	_

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- Physically addressed

V[0b00001101101001] = V[0x369]

Direct mapped

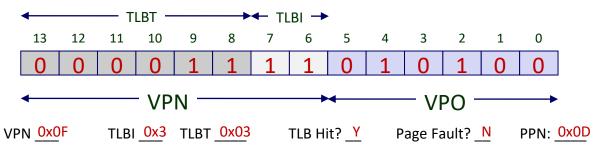


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0	19	1	99	11	23	11
1	15	0	ı	ı	1	_
2	1B	1	00	02	04	08
3	36	0	-	_	-	-
4	32	1	43	6D	8F	09
5	0D	1	36	72	F0	1D
6	31	0	1	-	1	-
7	16	1	11	C2	DF	03

ldx	Tag	Valid	В0	B1	B2	В3
8	24	1	3A	00	51	89
9	2D	0	1	1	1	-
Α	2D	1	93	15	DA	3B
В	OB	0	ı	ı	ı	-
С	12	0	-	-	-	_
D	16	1	04	96	34	15
Е	13	1	83	77	1B	D3
F	14	0	_	_	_	_

Address Translation Example

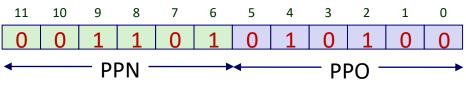
Virtual Address: 0x03D4



TLB

Set	Tag	PPN	Valid									
0	03	ı	0	09	0D	1	00	_	0	07	02	1
1	03	2D	1	02	-	0	04	-	0	0A	-	0
2	02	_	0	08	-	0	06	-	0	03	-	0
3	07	_	0	03	0D	1	0A	34	1	02	_	0

Physical Address



Thanks And Hope You Enjoy!