

Introduction

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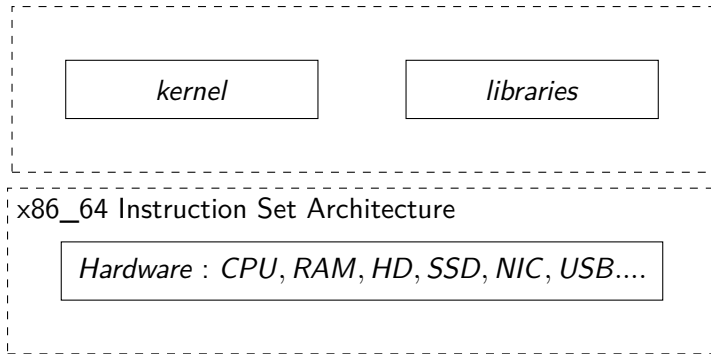
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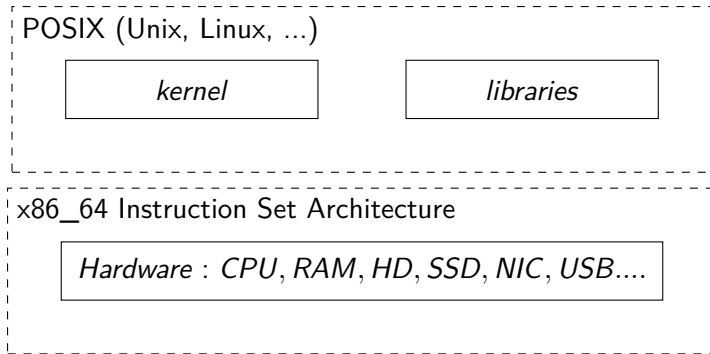
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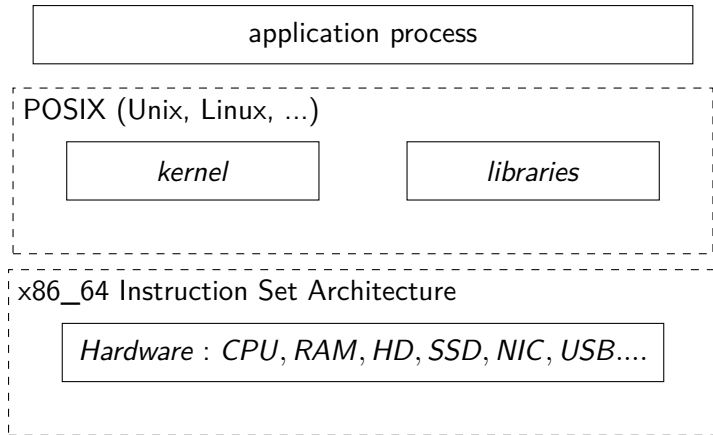
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int counter = 0;

void hello(char *name){
    printf("Hello: %s, %d\n",  name, counter);
}

int main() {
    char *me = argv[1];
    while(counter != 10) {
        counter++;
        hello(me);
        sleep(1);
    }
    return 0;
}
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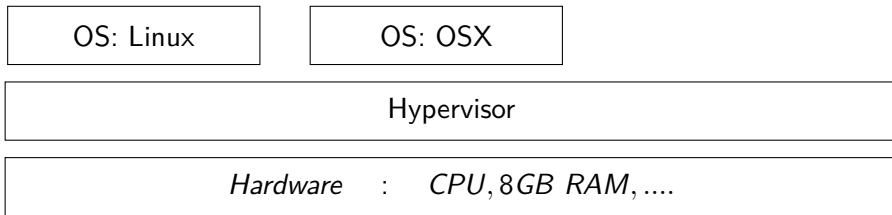
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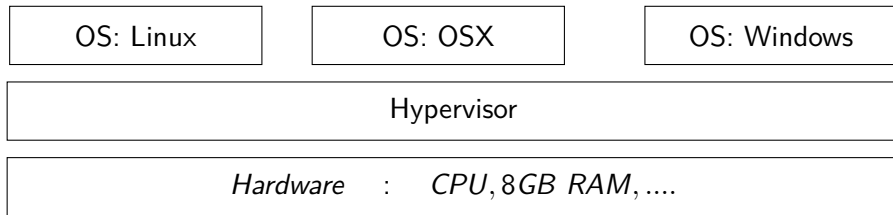
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to implement an operating system

Why is it hard to implement an operating system?

Start programming today.