History	 Early computers allowed only one program to execute at a time Complete control of the system Access to all the systems resources (memory, disk, etc) Modern computers allow for more than one program (process) to operate at a time
Process	 Definition: a program in execution Stack: Contains temporary data such as function parameters, return addresses, local variables Heap: Memory dynamically allocated during process run time Data Section: Global variables Text Section: Program code As the stack grows down, the heap grows up. When they meet, an insufficient memory error occurs.
Multiple Processes	 A single program could run as multiple processes For example, running two copies of Word or a command line app These processes aren't associated with each other and are separate copies
Process States	 New – Process is being created Running – Instructions are executed Waiting – The process is waiting for some event to occur Ready – The process is waiting to be assigned to a processor Terminated – The process has finished execution
Process Control Block	 Process Control Block - each process represented in the operating system by a process control block Process State - {New, Ready, Running, Waiting, Terminated} Program Counter - indicates the address of the next instruction to be executed CPU registers - saves state of cpu registers for when an interrupt occurs. May include accumulators, index registers, stack pointers, CPU-scheduling information - process priority, pointers to scheduling queues, Memory-management information - base and limit registers, page tables, segment tables (covered in Chapter 7) Accounting Information - CPU time used, time limits, account numbers, process numbers I/O status information - list of I/O devices allocated, list of open files,
Threads	 A single thread allows a process to perform only one task at a time A multithreaded process allows a GUI to be responsive and to perform a task at the same time
Process Scheduling	 Multiprogramming – goal is to have a process running at all times Time Sharing – switch processes so frequently that users are able to interact with each other

Job Queue – all processes in a system Ready Queue – processes residing in main memory, ready and waiting to Scheduling execute Queues Device Queue – processes waiting for an I/O device. Each device has its own queue Figure 3.6: Queueing Diagram ready queue CPU 1/0 I/O queue I/O request time slice expired child fork a executes child wait for an interrupt occurs interrupt Long-term scheduler or job scheduler – selects processes from a pool to be Schedulers executed. The processes selected are loaded into memory Short-term scheduler – selects from processes already in memory I/O bound – spends more time doing I/O than doing computations **Processes** CPU bound – spends more time doing computations than waiting for I/O A process (sometimes called a task) can create another process login pid = 8415 **Process** Creation sshd pid = 3610 khelper pid = 6 bash pid = 8416 ps pid = 9298