ICCS207: Term I/2018-19

Introduction to Computer Systems Introduction to File Processing

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Course Overview

- Instructors:
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- Office Hours: TBA on Canvas
- Required Textbooks: [Not really]
- Supplemental Reading: TBA on Canvas

Course Website

https://canvas.instructure.com/enroll/JCRXCM

- Sign up for Canvas and enroll the course by using the above URL.
- We will use this for announcements, homework submission, grade book, etc.

Why System-level?

- ▶ Most CS and CE courses emphasize abstraction
 - Abstract data types
 - Asymptotic analysis
- These abstractions have limits
 - Especially in the presence of bugs
 - Need to understand details of underlying implementations
- Useful outcomes
 - Become more effective programmers
 - Able to find and eliminate bugs efficiently
 - Able to understand and tune for program performance
 - Prepare for and recap "systems" classes:
 - Operating Systems, Computer Architecture, Backend Tech

Course Outline

- Module I: Working in Linux environment
- Module II: C Programming
- Module III: Representation
- Module IV: Memory organization and management

Module I: Working in Linux Environment

- Practical skills you will find them useful for the rest of your life...
- Topics include:
 - Basic Linux shell commands
 - Shell scripting
 - String processing tools
 - Git
 - etc.

Module II: C Programming

- Learn to code in C
 - and really understand how C pointers work.
- Learn to use build/debug tools
- We will not cover C++

Module III: Representation

- You will learn about how computers store data and how they operate.
- Topics include:
 - Data representation
 - Assembly language

Module IV: Memory Organization and Management

- You will learn about how computer manages memory and what really happens when a program runs
- Topics include:
 - Caching
 - Virtual Memory
 - Dynamic memory allocation

Tentative Schedule

Week 1-3: Module I: Working in Linux

— Quiz 1 —

Week 4-7: Module II: C programming

— Quiz 2 —

Week 9-10: Module III: Representation

— Quiz 3 —

Week 11-12: Module IV: Memory organization

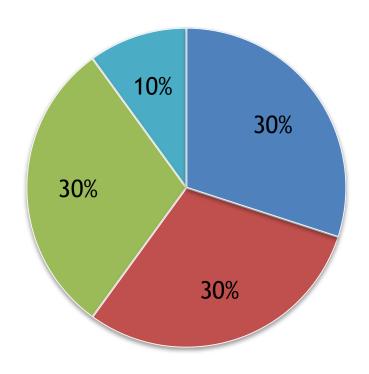
Final Exam —

Course Structure

- 24 lectures
 - Bring your laptops for in-class activities
 - Attendance is strongly recommended
- ▶ ~4 assignments
 - Programming/computer-based assignments
 - 2 late tokens for the course. Max of 1 token can be used per assignment
 - Late homework without token will not be graded

Grading

- 30% Assignments
- 45% Quizzes
- 20% Final
- 5% Participation



Per OAA: A is 90 or more; F is below 60

Exams

- We don't have midterm exam. Instead, we have 3 quizzes + 1 Final Exam (which is just another quiz)
- Each quiz will be administered after each module
- Most quizzes will have two parts:
 - 1. paper-based you will be tested on the concepts and materials presented in class.
 - 2. computer-based you will write programs to solve problems.

Expectations

- You are expected to
 - Take responsibility for the material, homework, exams etc.
 - Work (really) hard.
 - · Ask questions to help you learn.
 - Read the assigned reading if any.
 - Engage in the in-class activities

Policy on Collaboration

- Working together is important.
 - Discuss course material in general terms
 - OK to suggest how to debug
- No collaboration whatsoever on quizzes and final.

Cheating

- What is cheating?
 - Sharing code: by copying, retyping, looking at, or supplying a file
 - Coaching your friend to write a lab, line by line
 - Copying code from previous course or from elsewhere on WWW
 - · Only allowed to use code we supply
- What is NOT cheating?
 - Explaining how to use systems or tools
 - ▶ Helping others with high-level design issues
- Detection of cheating:
 - We can check, really.
 - Our tools for doing this are much better than most cheaters think!

Conflicts

- Conflict exams, other irreducible conflicts
 - OK, but must make PRIOR arrangements with us
 - Notifying us well ahead of time shows maturity and makes us like you more (and thus to work harder to help you out of your problem)

Facilities

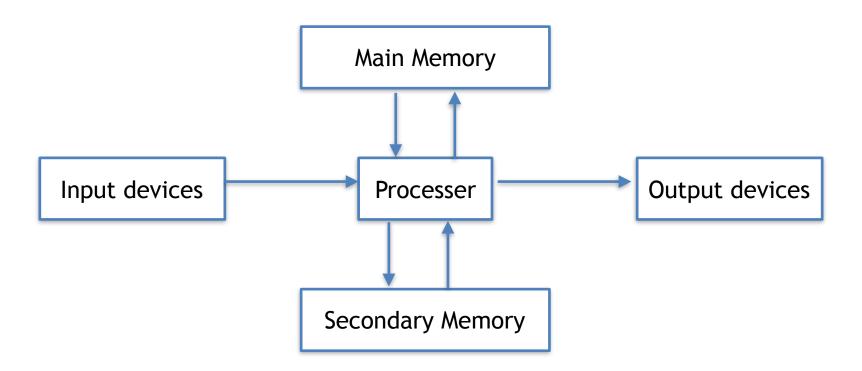
- You will be working on our Hamachi server.
- Ideally we want you to work remotely on the machine.
 - Don't worry we will teach do that.
- Currently, Hamachi can be accessed from LAN connections (TTT Wifi) only.

Let's our journey begin...



DEC VT100 — It was introduced in 1978

Computer 101



Operating systems

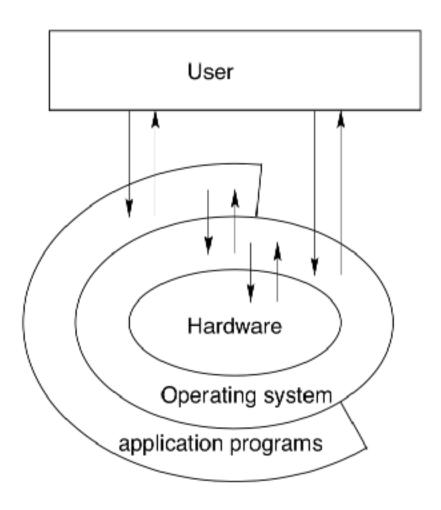








Operating systems



UNIX Operating Systems

- UNIX is a Multi-User/Multi-Tasking operating system and exists in many different versions ("derivates"): Solaris, AIX, XENIX, HP-UX, SINIX, Linux.
- It is mainly used for scientific-technical applications on mainframes and workstations, but has become, because of **Linux**, also popular for classical PC-applications throughout the last years.
- Linux is available in many different distributions e.g. Centos, Ubuntu, Fedora, Debian, Redhat

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Terminal

 A terminal emulator, terminal application is a program that emulates a video terminal within some other display architecture.



PuTTY for Windows

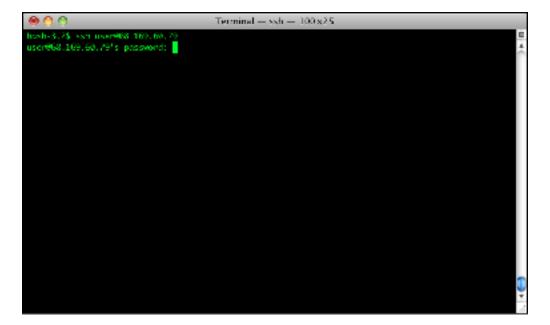
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Terminal OSX

What you see in the movie



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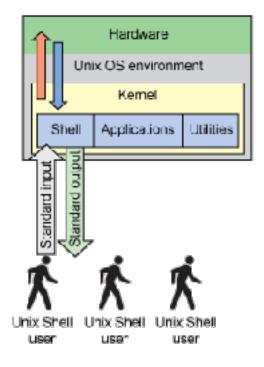
Program vs Process

- A <u>program</u> is a sequence of binary data that encodes machine instructions.
- A <u>process</u> is an running instance of a program.
- You can open up multiple terminals. Each terminal runs a shell in a separate process.
- Processes on a machine have a tree structure.

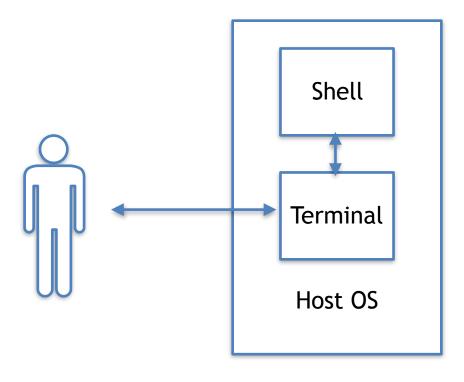
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Shell

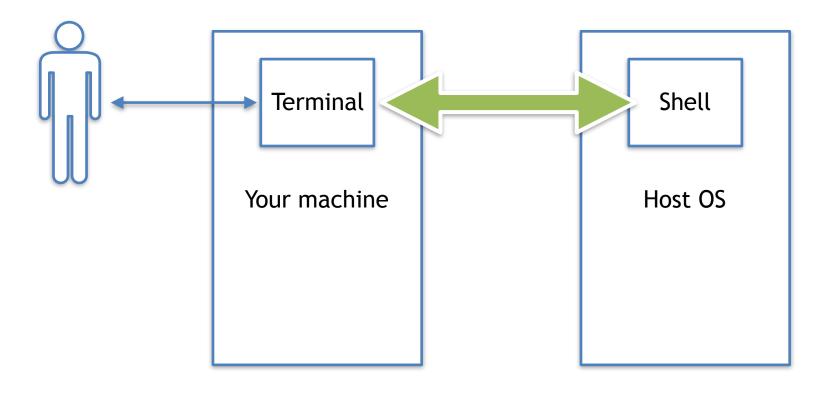
 Shell is a program that takes commands from keyboard and gives them to the operating system (OS).



Working locally



Working remotely



Activity Time!

Go to In-Class Exercise 1 on Canvas

If you have time

- On Hamachi
- Use strictly vim, nano, emacs
- Write a python script to compute the sum of first 1000 prime numbers i.e. 2+3+5+...
- Call this script from the command line

Summary

- Now you can ditch GUI completely
 - Maybe?
 - No more annoying mouse clicking:P
- Remotely connect to Hamachi
- Next time:
 - Exploring Linux file system