

Lecture Note 1: OS Introduction

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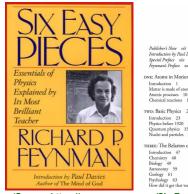
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- ✓ Operating Systems: Three Easy Pieces
- √ Homage to the Feynman's famous "Six Easy Pieces on Physics"
 - OS is about half as hard as Physics: from Six to Three Pieces



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√ What are Three Pieces: Virtualization, Concurrency, Persistence

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Chap 1. A Dialog on the Book

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✓ What to study?

Professor: They are the three key ideas we're going to learn about: virtualization, concurrency, and persistence. In learning about these ideas, we'll learn all about how an operating system works, including how it decides what program to run next on a CPU, how it handles memory overload in a virtual memory system, how virtual machine monitors work, how to manage information on disks, and even a little about how to build a distributed system that works when parts have failed. That sort of stuff.

Student: I have no idea what you're talking about, really. **Professor:** Good! That means you are in the right class.

✓ How to study?

Student: I have another question: what's the best way to learn this stuff?

Professor: Excellent query! Well, each person needs to figure this out on their own, of course, but here is what I would do: go to class, to hear the professor introduce the material. Then, at the end of every week, read these notes, to help the ideas sink into your head a bit better. Of course, some time later (hint: before the exam!), read the notes again to firm up your knowledge. Of course, your professor will no doubt assign some homeworks and projects, so you should do those; in particular, doing projects where you write real code to solve real problems is the best way to put the ideas within these notes into action. As Confucius said...

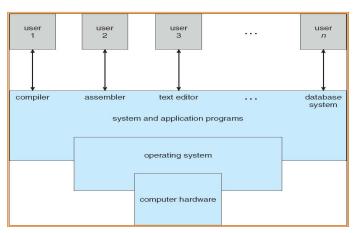
Student: Oh, I know! 'I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand.' Or something like that.



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Introduction

Layered structure of a computer system



(Source: A. Silberschatz, "Operating system Concept")

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Chap 2. Introduction to Operating Systems

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Introduction

- What happens when a program runs?
 - √ 1. Simple view about running a program

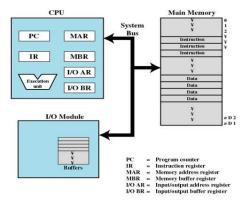


Figure 1.1 Computer Components: Top-Level View

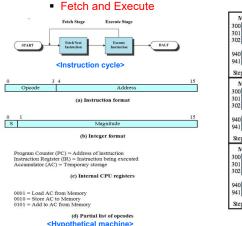
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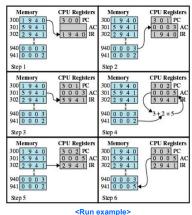


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What happens when a program runs?

✓ Details: execute instructions





<Hypothetical machine>
(Source: W. Stall

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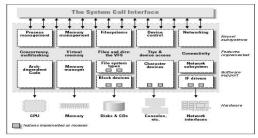
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Introduction

Definition of operating system

- Resource manager
 - Physical resources: CPU (core), DRAM, Disk, Flash, KBD, Network, ...
 - Virtual resources: Process, Thread, Virtual memory, Page, File, Directory, Driver, Protocol, Access control, Security, ...
- Virtualization (Abstraction)
 - Transform a physical resource into a more general, powerful, and easyto-use virtual form

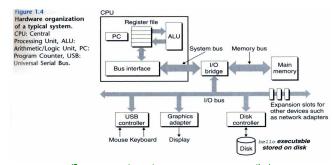


(Source: Linux Device Driver, O'Reilly)

Introduction

What happens when a program runs?

- ✓ 2. A lot of stuff for running a program
 - Loading, memory management, scheduling, context switching, I/O processing, file management, IPC, ...
 - Operating system: 1) make it easy to run programs, 2) operate a system correctly and efficiently



(Source: computer systems: a programmer perspective)

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Introduction

System call

✓ Interfaces (APIs) provided by OS

	Windows	Unix
Process Control	CreateProcess() ExitProcess() WaitForSingleObject()	fork() exit() wait()
File Manipulation	CreateFile() ReadFile() WriteFile() CloseHandle()	open() read() write() close()
Device Manipulation	SetConsoleMode() ReadConsole() WriteConsole()	ioctl() read() write()
Information Maintenance	<pre>GetCurrentProcessID() SetTimer() Sleep()</pre>	<pre>getpid() alarm() sleep()</pre>
Communication	<pre>CreatePipe() CreateFileMapping() MapViewOfFile()</pre>	<pre>pipe() shmget() mmap()</pre>
Protection	SetFileSecurity() InitlializeSecurityDescriptor() SetSecurityDescriptorGroup()	chmod() umask() chown()

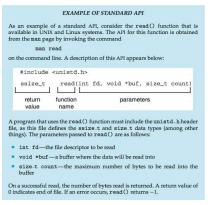
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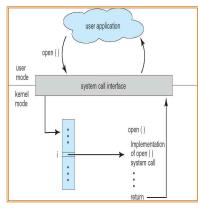


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System call

- ✓ Standard (e.g., POSIX, Win32, ...)
- ✓ Mode switch (user mode, kernel mode)





(Source: A. Silberschatz, "Operating system Concept") 13



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2.1 Virtualizing CPU

Execute the CPU program

```
prompt > gcc -o cpu cpu.c -Wall
prompt> ./cpu "A"
A
A
prompt>
```

Execute the program in parallel

```
prompt> ./cpu A & ./cpu B & ./cpu C & ./cpu D &
[1] 7353
[2]
    7354
[3] 7355
[4]
    7356
В
D
C
A
В
D

    Process, Scheduling, ...

C
A
. . .
           Figure 2.2: Running Many Programs At Once
```

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2.1 Virtualizing CPU

- A program for the discussion of virtualizing CPU
 - call Spin (busy waiting and return when it has run for a second)
 - ✓ print out a string passed in on the command line

```
#include <stdio.h>
    #include <stdlib.h>
    #include <sys/time.h>
    #include <assert.h>
    #include "common.h"
7
    main(int argc, char *argv[])
10
        if (argc != 2) {
            fprintf(stderr, "usage: cpu <string>\n");
12
            exit(1);
13
14
        char *str = argv[1];
        while (1) {
15
            Spin(1);
17
            printf("%s\n", str);
19
        return 0;
20
       Figure 2.1: Simple Example: Code That Loops and Prints (cpu.c)
```





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2.1 Virtualizing CPU

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- Issues for Virtualizing CPU
 - ✓ How to run a new program? → process
 - ✓ How to make a new process? → fork()
 - ✓ How to stop a process? → exit()
 - ✓ How to execute a new process? → exec()
 - ✓ How to block a process? → sleep(), pause(), lock(), ...
 - ✓ How to select a process to run next? → scheduling
 - ✓ How to run multiple processes? → context switch
 - ✓ How to manage multiple cores (CPUs)? → multi-processor scheduling, cache affinity, load balancing
 - ✓ How to communicate among processes? → IPC (Inter-Process) Communication), socket
 - ✓ How to notify an event to a process? → signal (e.g. ^C).

 - ◆ Illusion: A process has its own CPU even though there are less CPUs than processes



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Quiz for 1th-Week 2st-Lesson



Quiz

- 1. Operating system is defined as a resource manager. What kinds of resources are managed by operating system? Discuss physical and virtual resources separately.
- ✓ 2. What is the role of "&" in the below example? (I do this experiment using wsl(windows subsystem for Linux) in my laptop.)
- ✓ Due: until 6 PM Friday of this week (5th, March)



2.2 Virtualizing Memory

Execute the Mem program

```
prompt> ./mem
(2134) address pointed to by p: 0x200000
(2134) p: 1
(2134) p: 2
(2134) p: 3
(2134) p: 4
(2134) p: 5
```

Execute the program in parallel

```
prompt> ./mem &; ./mem &
[1] 24113
[2] 24114
(24113) address pointed to by p: 0x200000
(24114) address pointed to by p: 0x200000
(24113) p: 1
(24114) p: 1
(24114) p: 2
(24113) p: 2
(24113) p: 3
(24114) p: 3
(24113) p: 4
(24114) p: 4
    Figure 2.4: Running The Memory Program Multiple Times
```

Same address but independent

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2.2 Virtualizing Memory

Memory

Can be considered as an array of bytes

Another program example

✓ Allocate a portion of memory and access it

```
#include <unistd.h>
  #include <stdio.h>
  #include <stdlib.h>
  #include "common.h"
7 main(int argc, char *argv[])
      int *p = malloc(sizeof(int));
                                                        // a1
      assert (p != NULL);
      printf("(%d) address pointed to by p: %p\n",
                                                        // a2
              getpid(), p);
       *p = 0;
                                                        // a3
       while (1) {
          Spin(1);
           *p = *p + 1;
          printf("(%d) p: %d\n", getpid(), *p);
      return 0;
         Figure 2.3: A Program That Accesses Memory (mem.c)
```

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2.2 Virtualizing Memory

Issues for Virtualizing Memory

- ✓ How to manage the address space of a process? → text, data, stack, heap, ...
- ✓ How to allocate memory to a process? → malloc(), calloc(), brk(), ...
- ✓ How to deallocate memory from a process? → free()
- ✓ How to manage free space? → buddy, slab, ...
- ✓ How to protect memory among processes? → virtual memory
- ✓ How to implement virtual memory? → page, segment
- ✓ How to reduce the overhead of virtual memory?
 → TLB
- ✓ How to share memory among processes? → shared memory
- ✓ How to exploit memory to hide the storage latency? → page cache, buffer cache. ...
- ✓ How to manage NUMA? → local/remote memory.
- Illusion: A process has its own unlimited and independent memory even though several processes are sharing limited memory in reality



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2.3 Concurrency

- Background: how to create a new scheduling entity?
 - ✓ Two programming model: process (task) and thread
 - ✓ Key difference: data sharing

```
// fork example (Refer to the Chapter 5 in OSTEP)
                                                                 // thread example (Refer to the Chapter 27 in OSTEP)
// by J. Choi (choijm@dku.edu)
                                                                 // by J. Choi (choijm@dku.edu)
#include <stdio.h>
                                                                 #include <stdio h>
#include <stdlib.h>
                                                                 #include <stdlib.h>
int a = 10;
                                                                 int a = 10;
void *func()
                                                                 void *func()
                                                                     a++:
    printf("pid = %d\n", getpid());
                                                                     printf("pid = %d\n", getpid());
int main()
                                                                 int main()
                                                                      pthread t p thread;
    int pid:
    if ((pid = fork()) == 0) { //need exception handle
                                                                      if ((pthread_create(&p_thread, NULL, func, (void *)NULL))
        func():
                                                                 < 0) {
    wait();
                                                                      pthread join(p thread, (void *)NULL);
    printf("a = %d by pid = %d\n", a, getpid());
                                                                     printf("a = %d by pid = %d\n", a, getpid());
                                     (Source: System programming lecture note)
```

2.3 Concurrency

Execute the multi-thread program

```
prompt> gcc -o thread thread.c -Wall -pthread
prompt> ./thread 1000
Initial value: 0
Final value : 2000
```

```
prompt> ./thread 100000
Initial value : 0
Final value : 143012
                         // huh??
prompt> ./thread 100000
Initial value: 0
Final value : 137298
                         // what the??
```

- ✓ Programing model
 - thread model: share data section (a.k.a data segment)
 - process model: independent, need explicit IPC for sharing
- Reason for the odd results for the large loop
 - Lack of atomicity, scheduling effect, ... → need concurrency control

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2.3 Concurrency

Concurrency

- ✓ Problems arise when working on many things simultaneously on the
- A program for discussing concurrency

```
volatile int counter = 0;
                     void *worker(void *arg) {
                            d *WOTKE!(VC--
int i;
for (i = 0; i < loops; i++) {
    counter++;</pre>
                             return NULL;
                     main(int argc, char *argv[])
                            if (argc != 2) {
    fprintf(stderr, "usage: threads <value>\n");
    exit(1);
                            }
loops = atoi(argv[1]);
pthread_t p1, p2;
printf("Initial value : %d\n", counter);
                             Pthread_create(&p1, NULL, worker, NULL);
Pthread_create(&p2, NULL, worker, NULL);
Pthread_join(p2, NULL);
Pthread_join(p2, NULL);
printf("Final value : %d\n", counter);
return 0;
                                      Figure 2.5: A Multi-threaded Program (threads.c)
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```

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2.3 Concurrency

- Issues for Concurrency
 - ✓ How to support concurrency correctly? → lock(), semaphore()
 - ✓ How to implement atomicity in hardware? → test and set(), swap()
 - ✓ What is the semaphore?
 - ✓ What is the monitor?
 - ✓ How to solve the traditional concurrent problems such as producerconsumer, readers-writers and dining philosophers?
 - ✓ What is a deadlock?
 - ✓ How to deal with the deadlock?
 - ✓ How to handle the timing bug?
 - ✓ What is the asynchronous I/Os?
 - **√** ...
 - ◆ Illusion: Multiple processes run in a cooperative manner on shared resources even though they actually race with each other on the resources







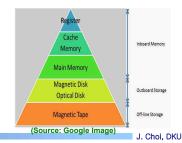
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Background: DRAM vs. Disk





- ✓ Capacity, Speed, Cost, ...
- Access granularity: Byte vs. Sector
- ✓ Durability: Volatile vs. Non-volatile





2.4 Persistence

Issues for Persistence

- ✓ How to access a file? → open(), read(), write(), ...
- ✓ How to manage a file? → inode, FAT, ...
- ✓ How to manipulate a directory?
- ✓ How to design a file system? → UFS, LFS, Ext2/3/4, FAT, F2FS, NFS, AFS, ...
- ✓ How to find a data in a disk?
- ✓ How to improve performance in a file system? → cache, delayed write, ...
- ✓ How to handle a fault in a file system? → journaling, copy-on-write
- What is a role of a disk device driver?
- ✓ What are the internals of a disk and SSD?
- ✓ What is the RAID?
- ◆ Illusion: Data is always maintained in a reliable non-volatile area while it is often kept in a volatile DRAM (for performance reason) and storage is broken from time to time.

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2.4 Persistence

Persistence

- Users want to maintain data permanently (durability)
- ✓ DRAM is volatile, requiring write data into storage (disk, SSD) explicitly

A program for discussing persistence

✓ Use the notion of a file (not handle disk directly)

```
#include <stdio.h>
    #include <unistd.h>
    #include <assert.h>
    #include <fcntl.h>
    #include <sys/types.h>
   main(int argc, char *argv[])
        int fd = open("/tmp/file", O_WRONLY | O_CREAT | O_TRUNC, S_IRWXU);
        assert (fd > -1);
        int rc = write(fd, "hello world\n", 13);
        assert (rc == 13);
13
14
        close (fd);
        return 0;
16
```

Figure 2.6: A Program That Does I/O (io.c) 26



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2.5 Design Goals

Abstraction

- ✓ Focusing on relevant issues only while hiding details
 - E.g. Car, File system, Make a program without thinking of logic gates
- "Abstraction is fundamental to everything we do in computer science" by Remzi

Performance

✓ Minimize the overhead of the OS (both time and space)

Protection

- ✓ Isolate processes from one another
- ✓ Access control, security, ...

Reliability

√ Fault-tolerant

Others

- Depend on the area where OS is employed
- Real time, Energy-efficiency, Mobility, Load balancing, Autonomous,



2.5 Design Goals

Separation of Policy and Mechanism

- ✓ Policy: Which (or What) to do?
 - e.g.) Which process should run next?
- ✓ Mechanism: How to do?
 - e.g.) Multiple processes are managed by a scheduling gueue or RB-tree



That's a different type of mechanism

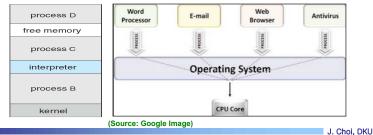
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2.6 Some History

- The Era of Multiprogramming (c.f. multitasking)
 - ✓ Definition: OS load a number of applications into memory and switch them rapidly
 - ✓ Reason: Advanced hardware → Want to utilize machine resources better → Multiple users share a system (workstation, minicomputer) → multiprogramming (and multitasking)
 - ✓ Especially important due to the slow I/O devices → while doing I/O. switch CPU to another process → enhancing CPU utilization
 - ✓ Memory protection and concurrency become quite important → UNIX

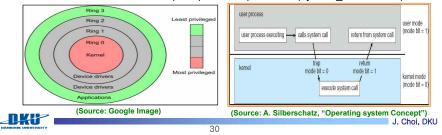


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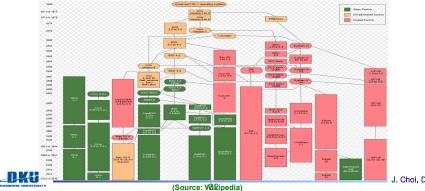
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- Early Operating Systems: Just libraries
 - ✓ Commonly-used functions such as low-level I/Os (e.g. MS-DOS)
 - Batch processing
 - a number of jobs were set up and then run all together (Not interactive)
- Beyond Libraries: Protection
 - Require OS to be treated differently than user applications
 - ✓ Separation user/kernel mode, system call
 - ✓ Use trap (special instruction, SW interrupt) to go into the kernel mode
 - Transfer control to a pre-specific trap handler (system call handler)



2.6 Some History

- The Era of Multiprogramming (c.f. multitasking)
 - ✓ UNIX
 - By Ken Thompson and Dennis Ritche (Bell Labs), Influenced by Multics
 - C language based, excellent features such as shell, pipe, inode, small, everything is a file, ...
 - Influence OSes such as BSD, SUNOS, AIX, HPUX, Nextstep and Linux



2.6 Some History

The Modern Era

- ✓ PC
 - MS Windows, Mac OS X, Linux, ...
- √ Smartphone
 - Android, iOS, Windows Mobile, ...
- ✓ IoT
 - What is the next?





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Quiz for 2th-Week 1st-Lesson

Quiz

- ✓ 1. What are the differences between disks and DRAM? (at least 3) differences). These differences lead operating system to manage them differently (memory object vs. file)
- 2. Discuss differences between interrupt and trap which was discussed in page 30.
- ✓ Due: until 6 PM Friday of this week (12th, March)



2.7 Summary

OS

- ✓ Resource manager (Efficiency)
- ✓ Make systems easy to use (Convenience)
- Cover in this book
 - ✓ Virtualization, Concurrency, Persistence
- Not being covered
 - ✓ Network, Security, Graphics
 - ✓ There are several excellent courses for them



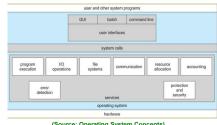
- ◆ Homework 1: summarize the chap 2 of the OSTEP
 - Requirement: 1) personal, 2) up to 6 pages for summary, 3) 1 page for the goal you want to study
 - Due: until 6 PM, 19th March (Friday)
 - Bonus: Snapshot of the results of example programs in a Linux system (ubuntu on virtual box or wsl or Linux server)
- ◆ Any questions? Feel free to put your questions at "문의게시판"!!

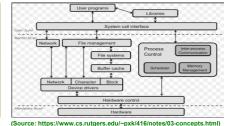


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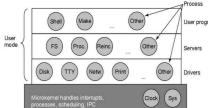
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OS structure in General





(Source: Operating System Concepts)



(Source: Modern Operating System)

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(Source: Linux Device Driver)

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