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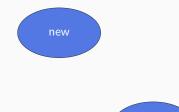
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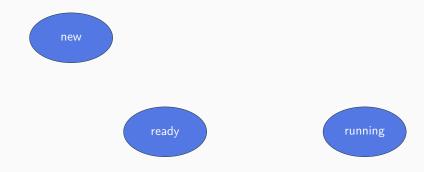
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- \Rightarrow Reduce degree of multiprogramming, make room in memory (and a few other reasons)

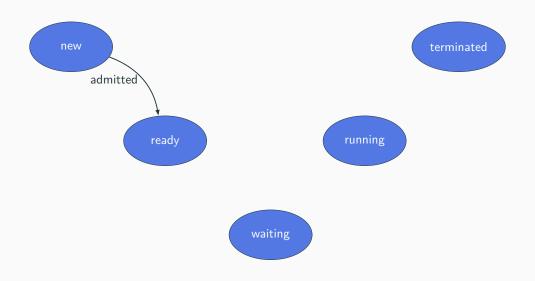


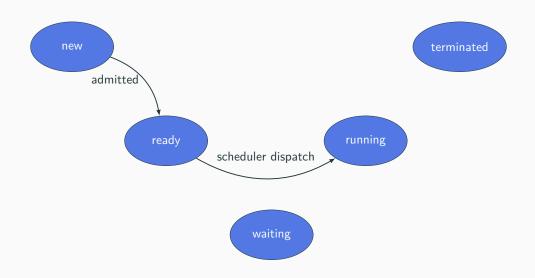


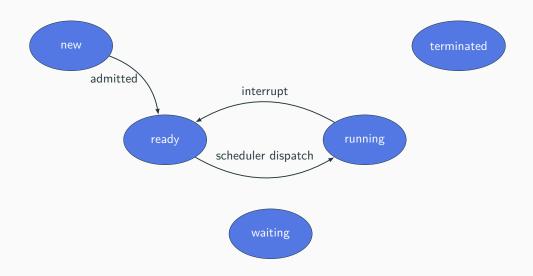


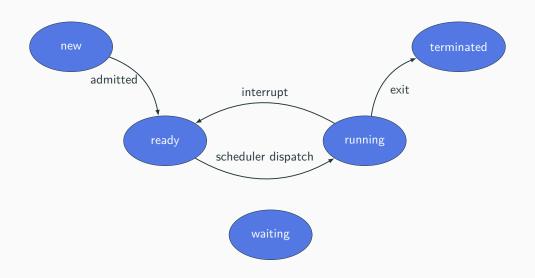


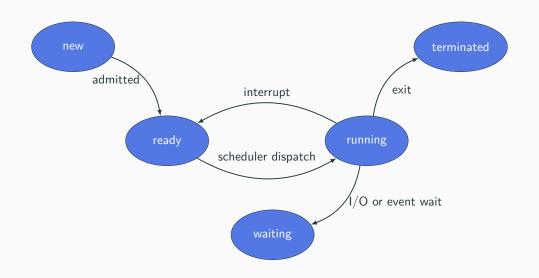












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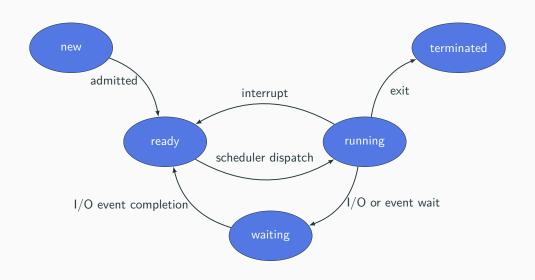
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- Processor utilization: Percentage of working time
- Throughput: How many jobs do you finish?
- Turnaround time: Wallclock-time from submission to finish
- Waiting time: How long did it spend in the ready queue
- Response time: Time between submission of a request and first response (e.g. key press to echo on screen)

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Timer Interrupts! Waiting for a cosmic ray to hit, a network package to arrive, a system call or any other random interrupt gets old fast :)

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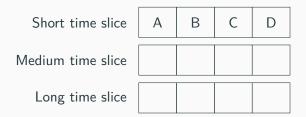
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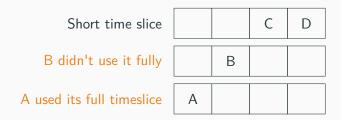
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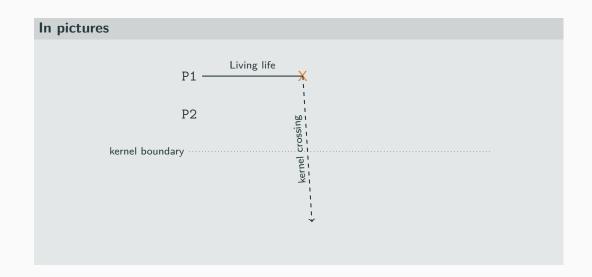
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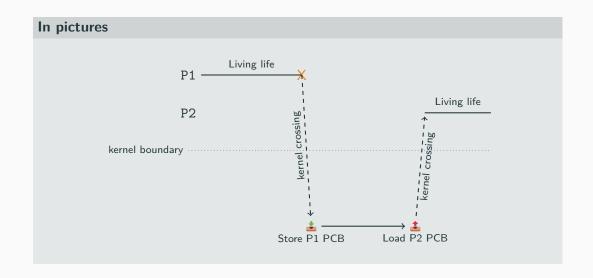
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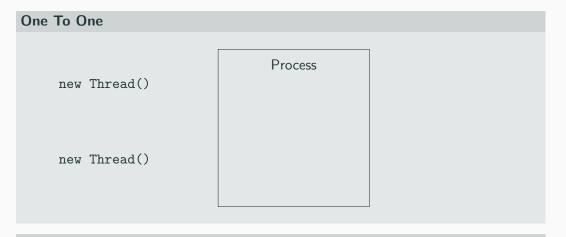
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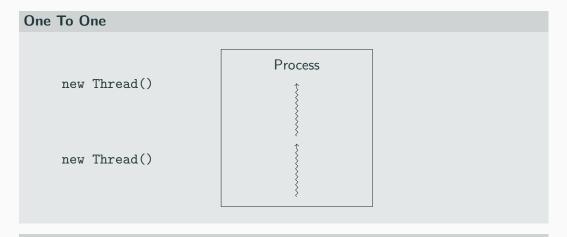
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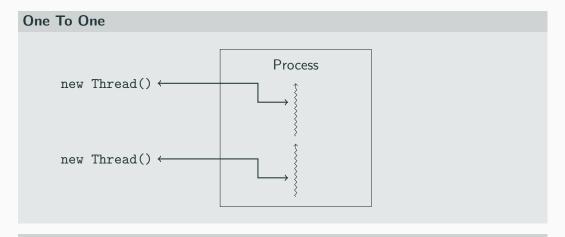
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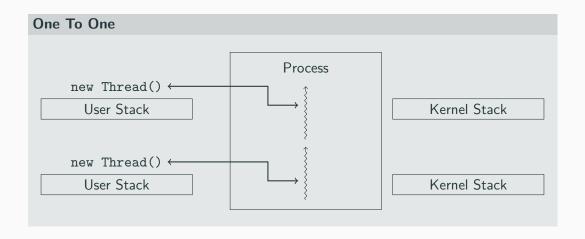
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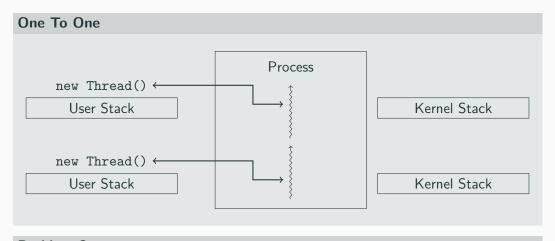
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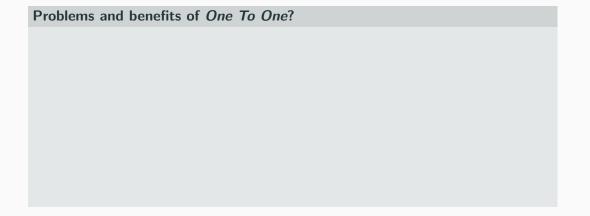












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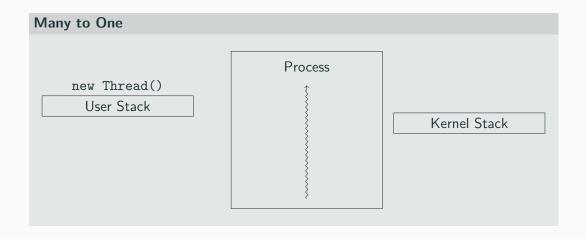
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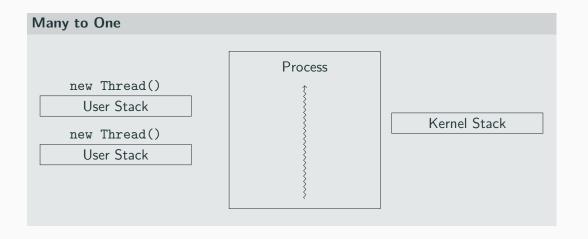
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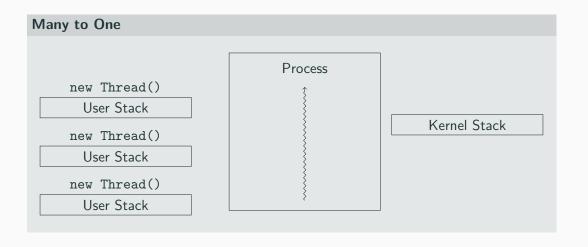
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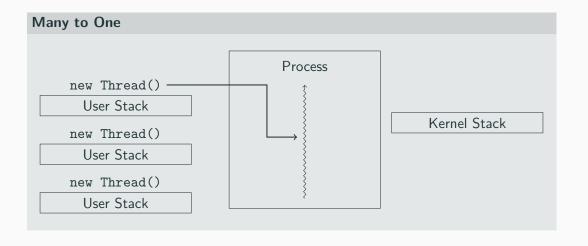
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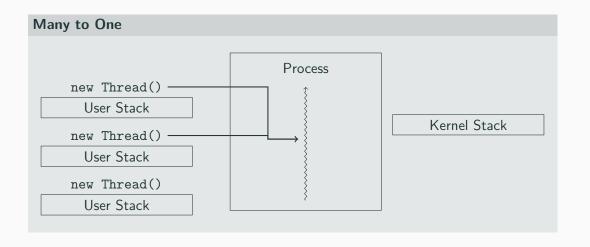
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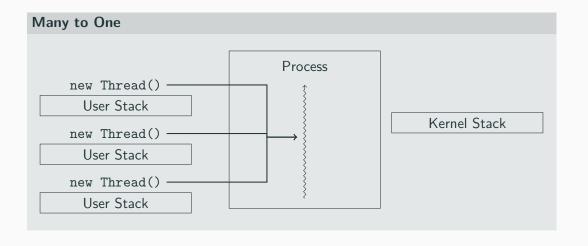
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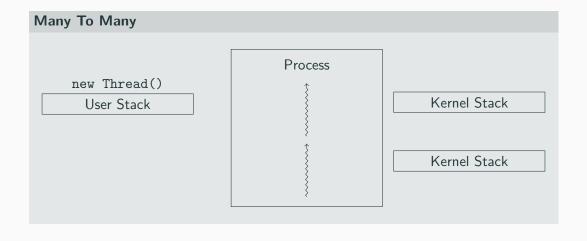
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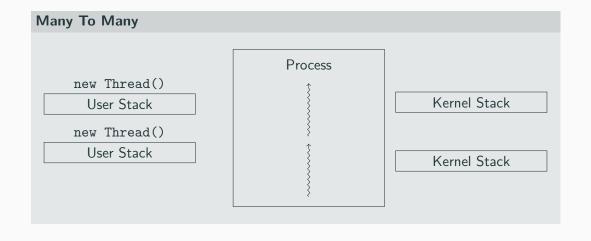
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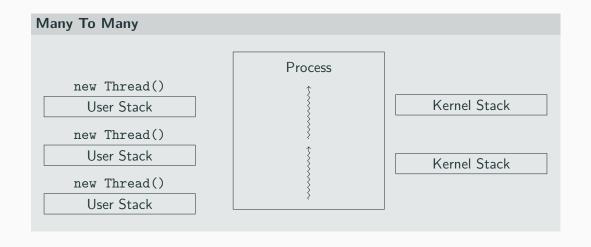
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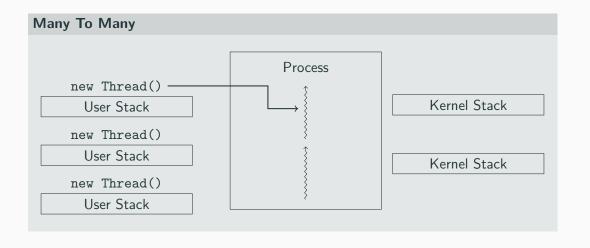
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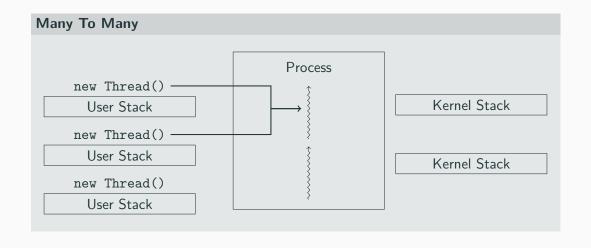
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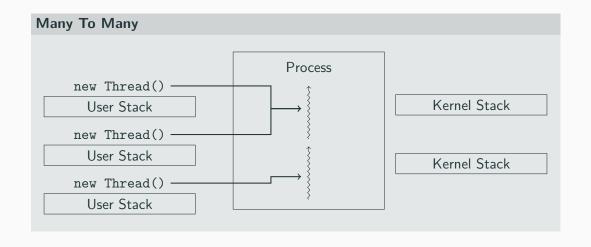












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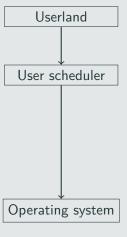
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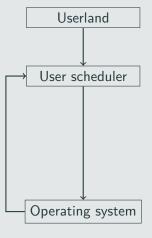
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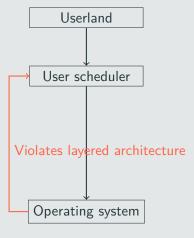
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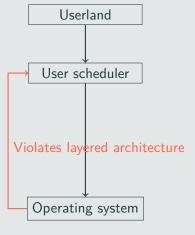
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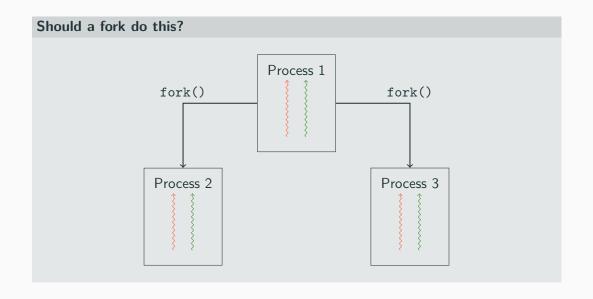
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