

# Introduction and History

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COP 4610 Operating Systems

# Who am I?

- Xin Liu

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- **Research Focus**

Next generation of edge networks (6G and beyond)

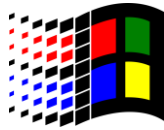
- **Experience**

Over 10 years of embedded system development experience

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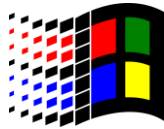
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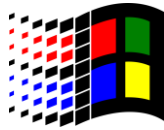
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  2. Software Compatibility
  3. Security
  4. Data Integrity
  5. Fault Recovery
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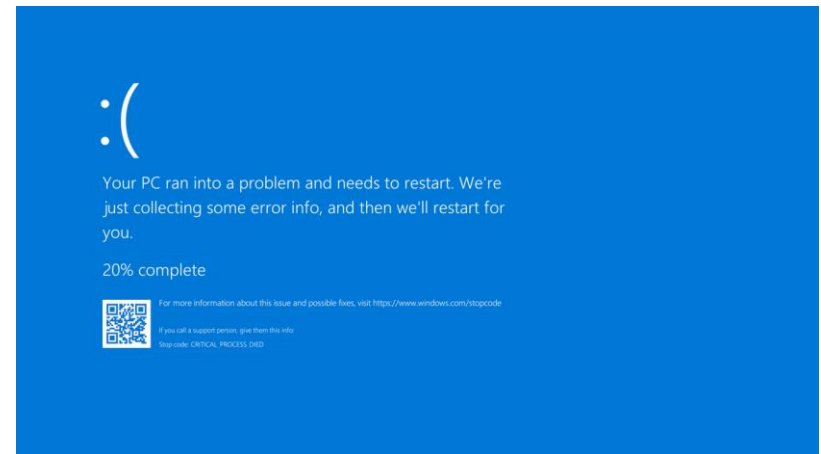
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Blue Screen of Death

# Other Classic Operating Systems



macOS



Linux



Windows



iOS



Android

Which operating systems are you using right now?

# More Operating Systems



Which are the operating systems you are using right now?

# What is an Operating System?

- A program that acts as an intermediary between a user of a computer and the computer hardware
- **Key Characteristics:**
  - **Program, Not Hardware:** The operating system is software that manages the hardware, not a physical component itself.
  - **Acts as an Intermediary:** It serves as a bridge between the user and the computer hardware, facilitating communication and resource management.



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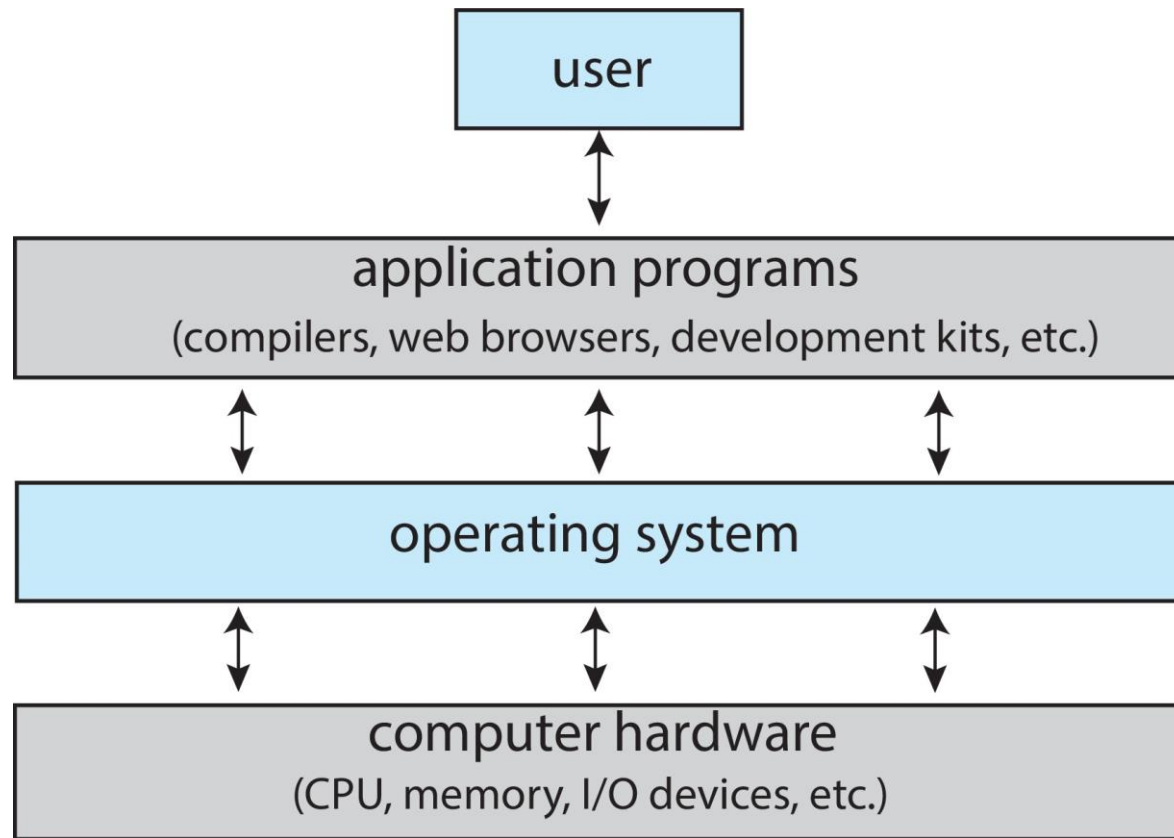
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  4. Users
    - People, machines, other computers

# Abstract View of Components of Computer



Operating system goals:

- Execute user programs and make solving user problems easier
- Make the computer system convenient to use
- Use the computer hardware in an efficient manner

# History Phase I: Hardware Expensive, Humans Cheap

- Hardware: mainframes
- OS: human operators
  - Handle one ***job*** (a unit of processing) at a time
  - Computer time wasted while operators walk around the machine room

IBM System/360



# OS Design Goal

- Efficient use of the hardware
  - ***Batch system***: collects a batch of jobs before processing them and printing out results
    - Job collection, job processing, and printing out results can occur concurrently
  - ***Multiprogramming***: multiple programs can run concurrently
    - Example: I/O-bound jobs and CPU-bound jobs

# History Phase II: Hardware Cheap, Humans Expensive

- Hardware: terminals
- OS design goal: more efficient use of human resources
  - ***Timesharing systems***: each user can afford to own terminals to interact with machines
  - The operating system could support multiple users simultaneously, each with their own terminal
  - Each user had an efficient and responsive experience, without the need for dedicated machines for each person





# History Phase III: Hardware Very Cheap, Humans Very Expensive

- Hardware: personal computers
- OS design goal: allowing a user to perform many tasks at the same time
  - ***Multitasking***: a single user can run multiple programs on the same machine at the same time
  - ***Multiprocessing***: the ability to use multiple processors on the same machine



# History Phase IV: Distributed Systems

- Hardware: computers with networks
- OS design goal: ease of resource sharing among machines
- E.g., cloud computing



# History Phase V, VI, VII?

- AI As Operating System?

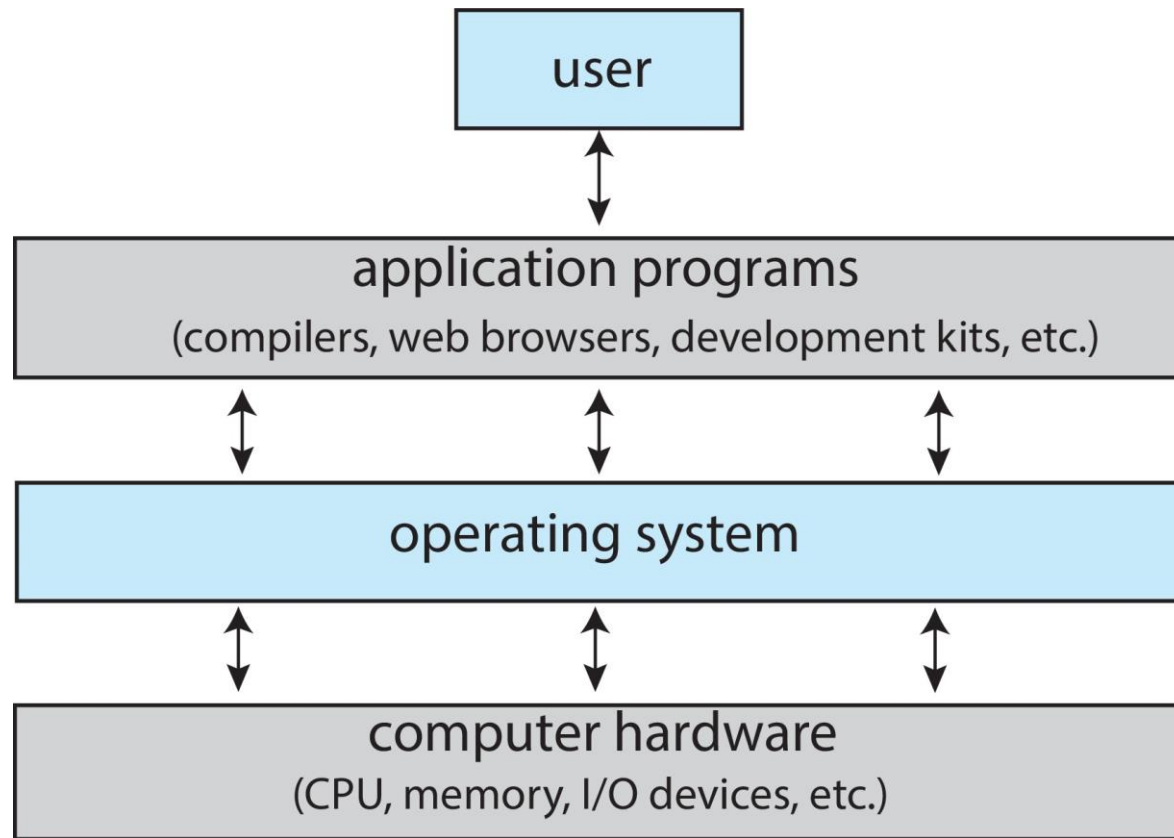


# History of OS: Change!



		1980	2020	Factor
Speed	CPU	1 MIPS	88K MIPS	$8.8 \times 10^4$
	Memory	500 ns	0.6 ns	$8.3 \times 10^2$
	Storage	18 ms	300 ns	$1.8 \times 10^5$
	Network	300 bits/sec	100 Gb/s	$3.6 \times 10^8$
Capacity	Memory	64 Kbytes	3 TB	$5.0 \times 10^7$
	Disk	1 Mbytes	16 TB	$1.6 \times 10^7$
Cost	Per MIP	\$100K/MIP	\$0.0066/MIP	$1.4 \times 10^7$
Other	Address bits	8	64	8
	Users/CPU	10s	0.01	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$

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**Hides the complexity and limitations of hardware  
from application programmers**

# Takeaways

- OS is a program that acts as an intermediary between a user of a computer and the computer hardware
- OS hides the complexity and limitations of hardware from application programmers

# Syllabus Time

<https://xinliulab.github.io/cop4610.html>