


ICS 143A - Principles of Operating Systems (Spring 2020)



Lecture 1 - Introduction and Overview
MWF 11:00- 11:50 a.m.

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*[lecture slides contains some content adapted from :
Silberschatz textbook authors, John Kubiawicz (Berkeley)
Anderson textbook, John Ousterhout(Stanford), Prof. Ardalan Sani,)*

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Course logistics and details

- **Course Web page -**

- <http://www.ics.uci.edu/~ics143>
- All new announcements and updates will be on class webpage

- **Lectures** – MWF 11:00 – 11:50, on zoom

- Zoom link: <https://uci.zoom.us/j/568633190>

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- **Discussions**

- Tuesday 5pm - 6pm; 7pm- 8pm
- Zoom Link:
 - 5 - 6 pm session: <https://uci.zoom.us/j/556715006>
 - 7- 8 pm session: <https://uci.zoom.us/j/563851913>

Course logistics and details

● ICS 143 Textbook

- Operating System Concepts – 9th Edition, Silberschatz, Galvin and Gagne, Addison-Wesley Inc (Eighth, Seventh, Sixth and Fifth editions, and Java Versions are fine).



● Other Suggested Books

- Modern Operating Systems, by Tanenbaum
- Lubomir Bic, online book -- zybooks
 - <https://www.zybooks.com/catalog/operating-systems/>
- Operating Systems: Principles and Practice, by T. Anderson and M. Dahlin (second edition)

● Piazza for group discussions (<https://piazza.com/uci/spring2020/cs143>)

- Q/A, Student discussions, monitored by ICS143A staff
- Avoid duplicate posts, Use clear, descriptive titles
- Please be respectful to each other

Course logistics and details

- Homeworks and Assignments
 - 4 written homeworks in the quarter
 - 1 programming assignment (knowledge of C, C++ or Java required).
 - Handed out at midterm; submit during Finals Week
 - Multistep assignment – don't start in last week of classes!!!
 - Late homeworks will not be accepted.
 - All submissions will be made using Gradescope for the course
- Tests
 - Midterm - tentatively Wednesday, Week 6
 - Detailed format and tools to be used -- TBD
 - Final Exam - as per UCI course catalog
 - June 9th (1:30 - 3:30 pm)
 - Detailed format and tools to be used -- TBD

ICS 143 Grading Policy

- Homeworks - 40% (10% each)
- Programming Assignment - 10%
 - released Week 6
- Midterm - 20% of the final grade
 - Tentatively Wed, Week 6 during lecture
- Final exam - 30% of the final grade
 - Per UCI course catalog, Jun 9th (1:30 - 3:30 pm)
- 3 In-class micro-quizzes (not graded, except in case of borderline grades)

Final assignment of grades will be based on a curve.

Lecture Schedule



- **Week 1:**
 - Introduction to Operating Systems, Computer System Structures, Operating System Structures
- **Week 2 : Process Management**
 - Processes and Threads, CPU Scheduling
- **Week 3: Process Management**
 - CPU Scheduling, Process Synchronization
- **Week 4: Process Management**
 - Process Synchronization
- **Week 5: Process Management**
 - Process Synchronization, Deadlocks

Course Schedule



- **Week 6 – Deadlocks, Storage Management**
 - Deadlocks, Midterm revision, exam
- **Week 7 - Storage Management**
 - Memory Management, Paging, Segmentation
- **Week 8 – Storage Management**
 - Virtual Memory
- **Week 9 - FileSystems**
 - Virtual Memory, FileSystems Interface and Implementation
- **Week 10 – I/O Subsystems**
 - Filesystems, I/O, course revision and summary.

Other Logistics



- Office Hours
 - Prof. V - Tuesdays (11 am - 12 noon)
 - TA office hours – Mon, Wed. Thurs (to be announced on website)
- Slides
 - Available as draft before lecture, minor modifications likely
- If there are missed lectures
 - Alternatives will be arranged

Introduction



- What is an operating system?
- Operating Systems History
 - Simple Batch Systems
 - Multiprogrammed Batch Systems
 - Time-sharing Systems
 - Personal Computer Systems
- Parallel and Distributed Systems
- Real-time Systems

What is an Operating System?



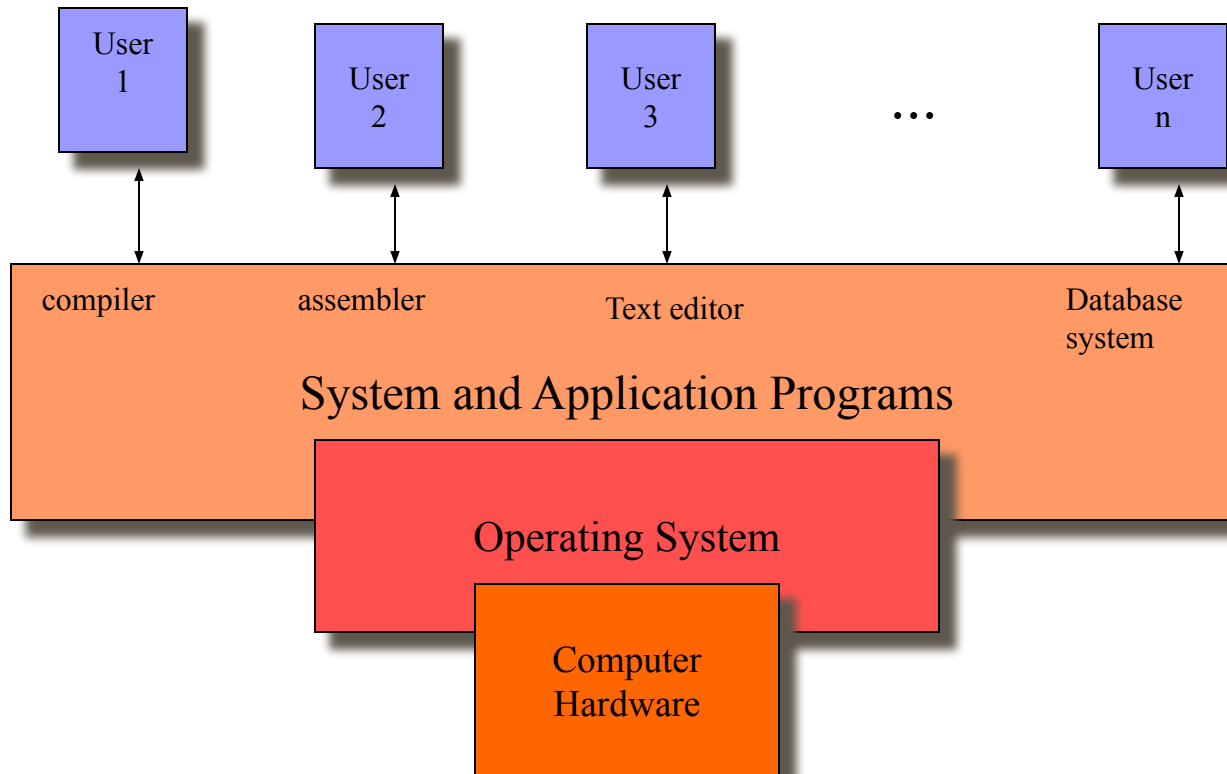
- An OS is a program that acts an intermediary between the user of a computer and computer hardware.
- Major cost of general purpose computing is software.
 - OS simplifies and manages the complexity of running application programs efficiently.

Computer System Components



- **Hardware**
 - Provides basic computing resources (CPU, memory, I/O devices).
- **Operating System**
 - Controls and coordinates the use of hardware among application programs.
- **Application Programs**
 - Solve computing problems of users (compilers, database systems, video games, business programs such as banking software).
- **Users**
 - People, machines, other computers

Abstract View of System



Operating System Views



- Resource allocator
 - to allocate resources (software and hardware) of the computer system and manage them efficiently.
- Control program
 - Controls execution of user programs and operation of I/O devices.
- Kernel
 - The program that executes forever (everything else is an application with respect to the kernel).

Operating system roles



- **Referee**

- Resource allocation among users, applications
- Isolation of different users, applications from each other
- Communication between users, applications

- **Illusionist**

- Each application appears to have the entire machine to itself
- Infinite number of processors, (near) infinite amount of memory, reliable storage, reliable network transport

- **Glue**

- Libraries, user interface widgets, ...
- Reduces cost of developing software

Example: file systems



- Referee
 - Prevent users from accessing each other's files without permission
- Illusionist
 - Files can grow (nearly) arbitrarily large
 - Files persist even when the machine crashes in the middle of a save
- Glue
 - Named directories, printf, ...

Goals of an Operating System

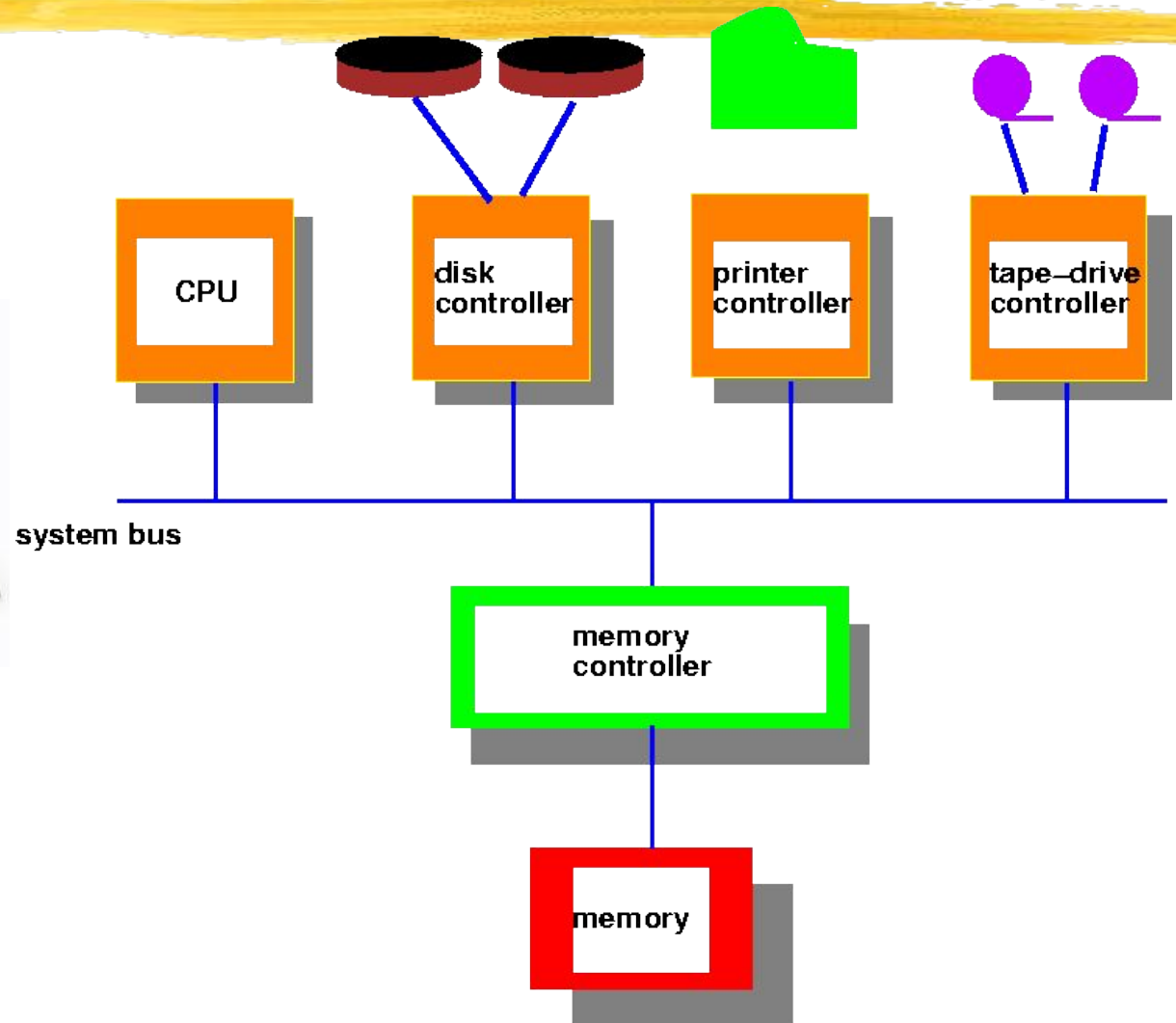
- Simplify the execution of user programs and make solving user problems easier.
- Use computer hardware efficiently.
 - Allow sharing of hardware and software resources.
- Make application software portable and versatile.
- Provide isolation, security and protection among user programs.
- Improve overall system reliability
 - error confinement, fault tolerance, reconfiguration.

Why should I study Operating Systems?

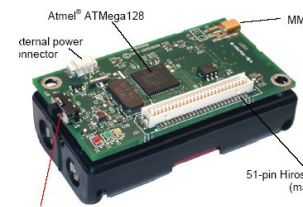
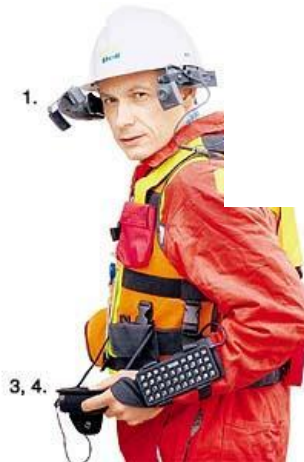
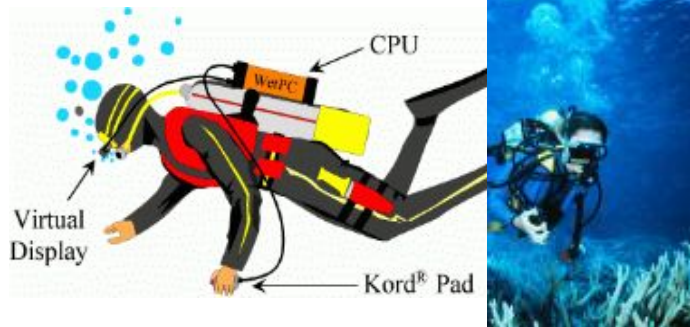
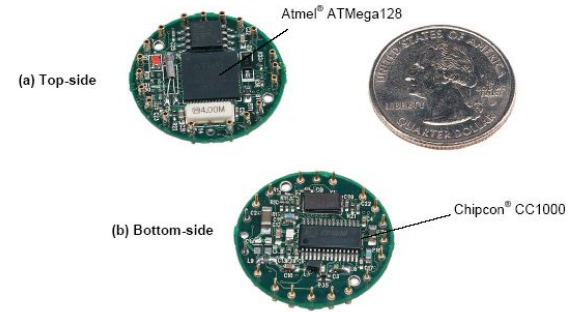


- Need to understand interaction between the hardware and applications
 - New applications, new hardware..
 - Inherent aspect of society today
- Need to understand basic principles in the design of computer systems
 - efficient resource management, security, flexibility
- Increasing need for specialized operating systems
 - e.g. embedded operating systems for devices - cell phones, sensors and controllers
 - real-time operating systems - aircraft control, multimedia services

Computer System Architecture (traditional)

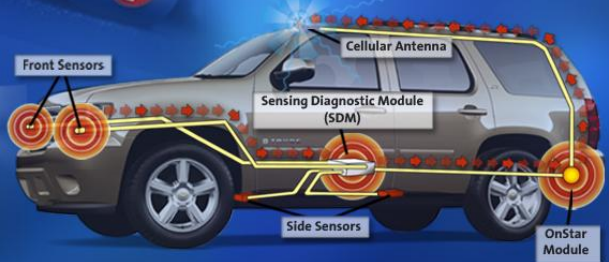


Systems Today



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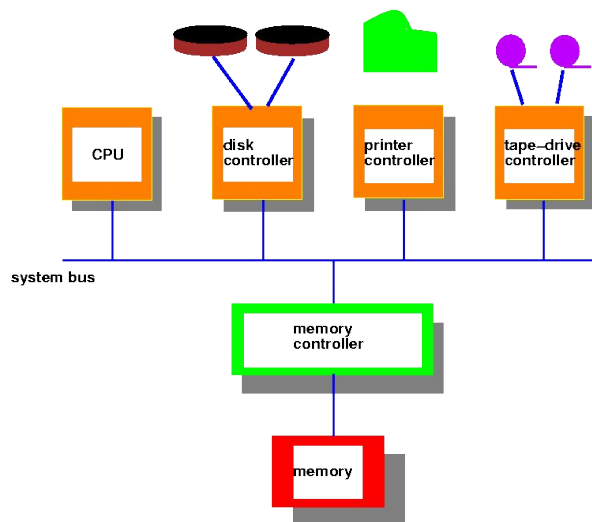
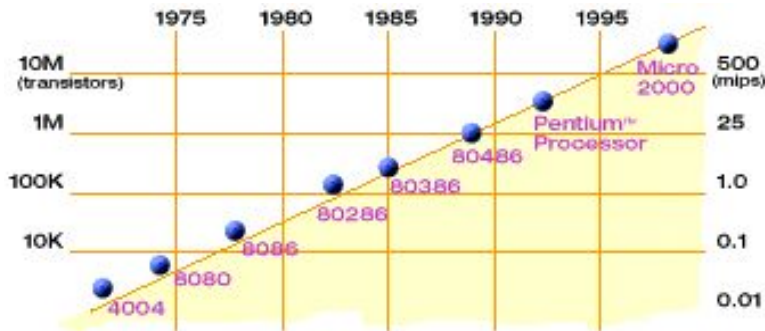
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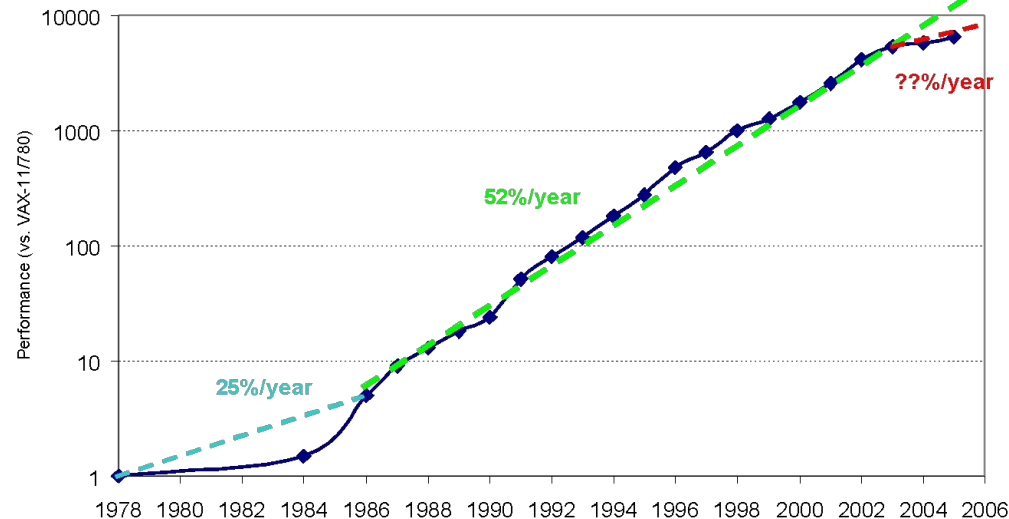
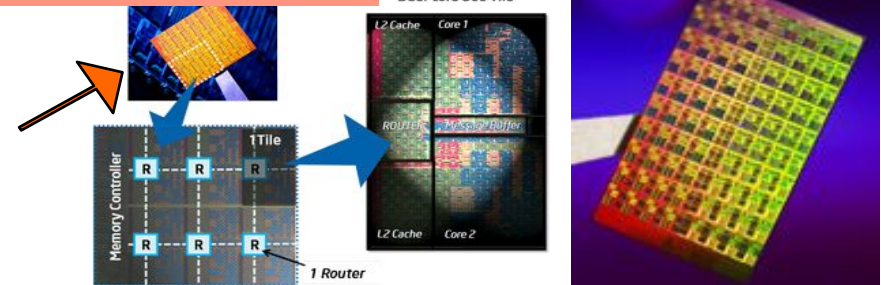
Hardware Complexity Increases

Moore's Law: 2X
transistors/Chip Every 1.5 years



From Berkeley OS course

Intel Multicore Chipsets



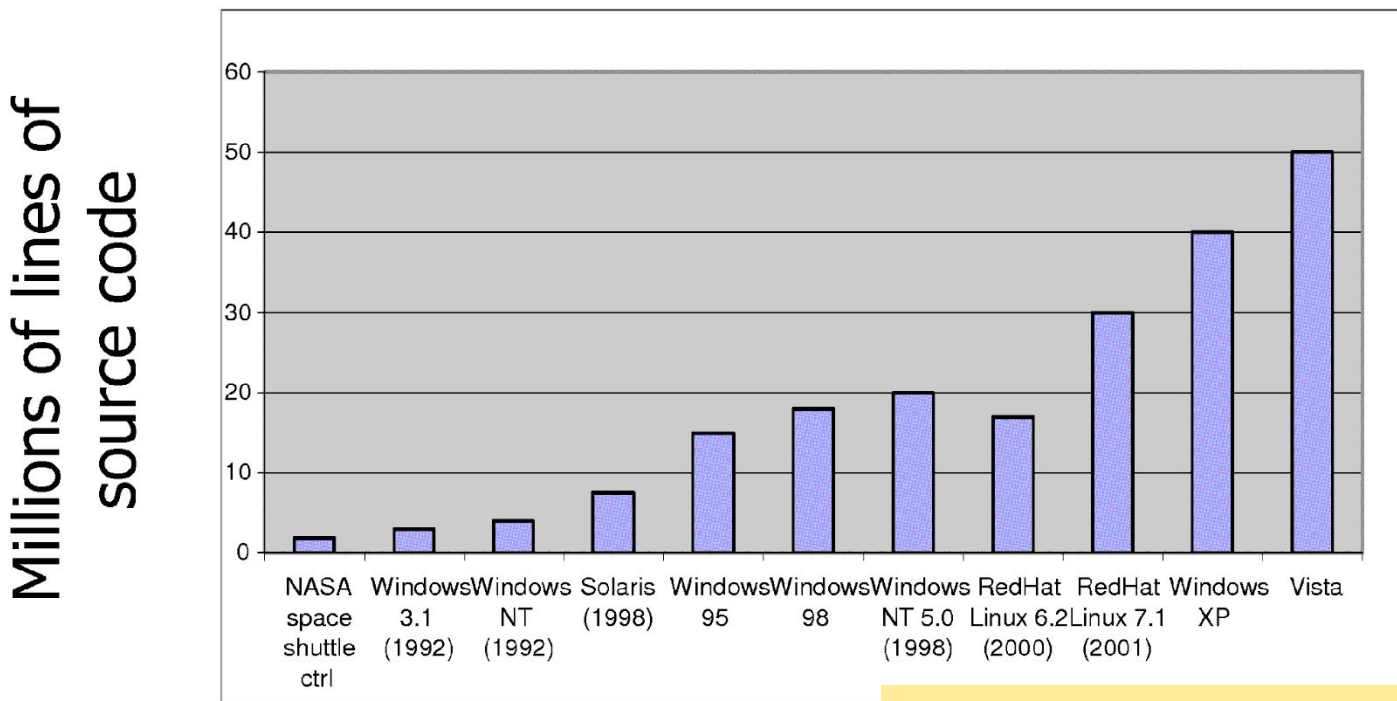
Principles of Operating Systems -

From Hennessy and Patterson, *Computer Architecture: A Quantitative Approach*, 4th edition, Sept. 15, 2006

OS needs to keep pace with hardware improvements

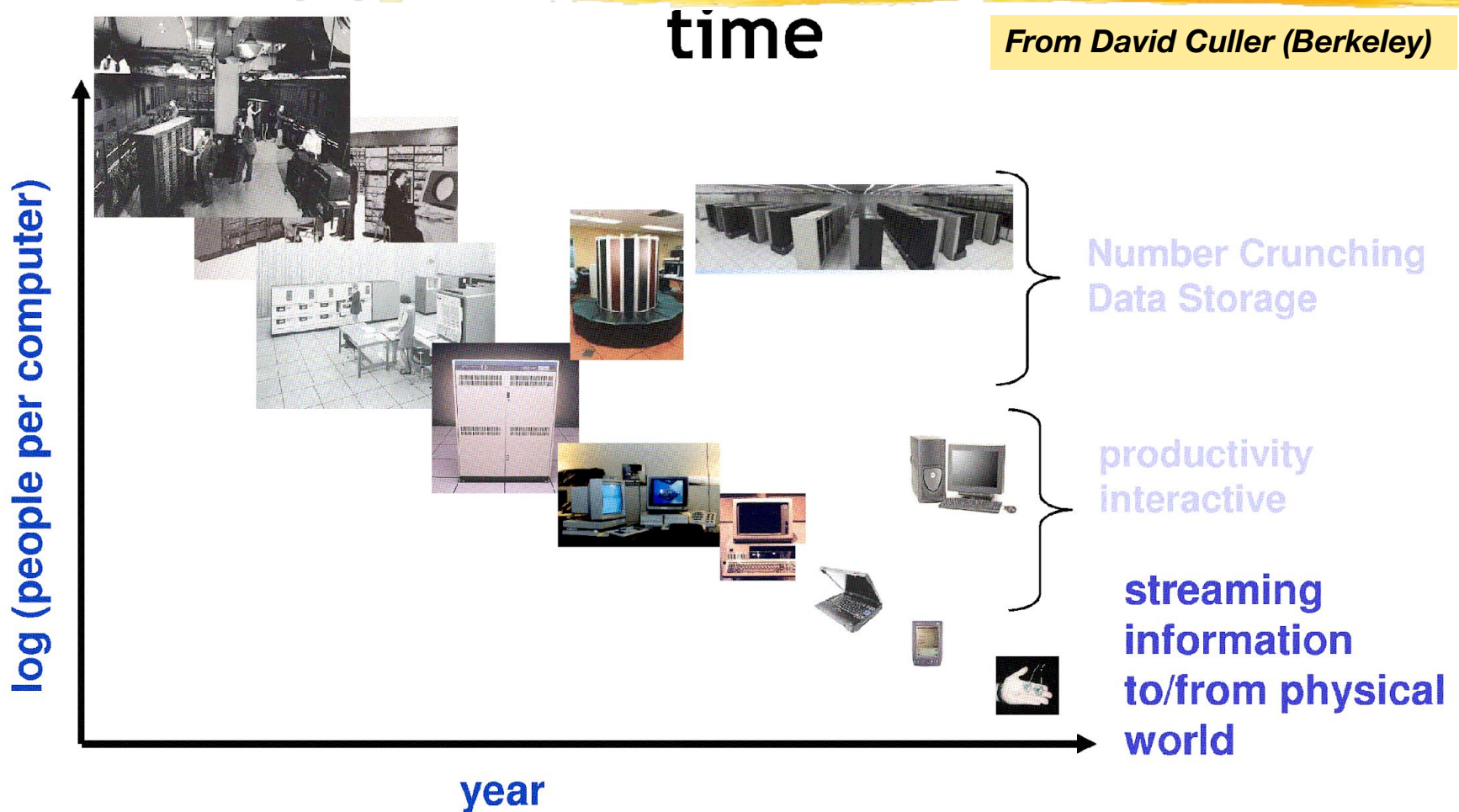
	1981	1997	2014	Factor (2014/1981)
Uniprocessor speed (MIPS)	1	200	2500	2.5K
CPUs per computer	1	1	10+	10+
\$/Processor MIPS	\$100K	\$25	\$0.20	500K
DRAM Capacity (MiB)/\$	0.002	2	1K	500K
Disk Capacity (GiB)/\$	0.003	7	25K	10M
Home Internet	300 bps	256 Kbps	20 Mbps	100K
Machine room network	10 Mbps (shared)	100 Mbps (switched)	10 Gbps (switched)	1000
Ratio of users to computers	100:1	1:1	1:several	100+

Software Complexity Increases



From MIT's 6.033 course

People-to-Computer Ratio Over Time



Operating System Spectrum



- Monitors and Small Kernels
 - special purpose and embedded systems, real-time systems
- Batch and multiprogramming
- Timesharing
 - workstations, servers, minicomputers, timeframes
- Transaction systems
- Personal Computing Systems
- Mobile Platforms, devices (of all sizes)

Early Systems - Bare Machine (1950s)

Hardware – *expensive* ; Human – *cheap*

- Structure

- Large machines run from console
- Single user system
 - Programmer/User as operator
- Paper tape or punched cards

- Early software

- Assemblers, compilers, linkers, loaders, device drivers, libraries or common subroutines.

- Secure execution

- Inefficient use of expensive resources

- Low CPU utilization, high setup time.



From John Ousterhout slides

Simple Batch Systems (1960's)

- Reduce setup time by batching jobs with similar requirements.
- Add a card reader, Hire an operator
 - User is NOT the operator
 - Automatic job sequencing
 - Forms a rudimentary OS.
 - Resident Monitor
 - Holds initial control, control transfers to job and then back to monitor.
 - Problem
 - Need to distinguish job from job and data from program.



Supervisor/Operator Control

- Secure monitor that controls job processing

- Special cards indicate what to do.
- User program prevented from performing I/O

- Separate user from computer

- User submits card deck
- cards put on tape
- tape processed by operator
- output written to tape
- tape printed on printer

- **Problems**

- Long turnaround time - up to 2 DAYS!!!
- Low CPU utilization
 - I/O and CPU could not overlap; slow mechanical devices.

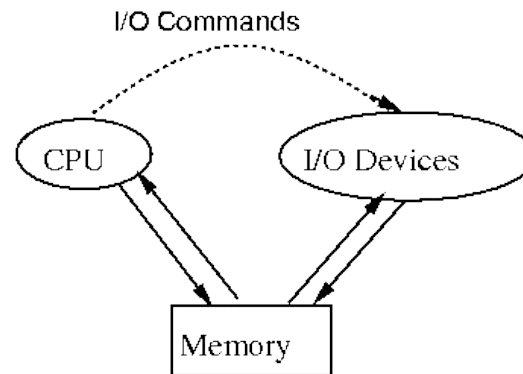


Batch Systems - Issues

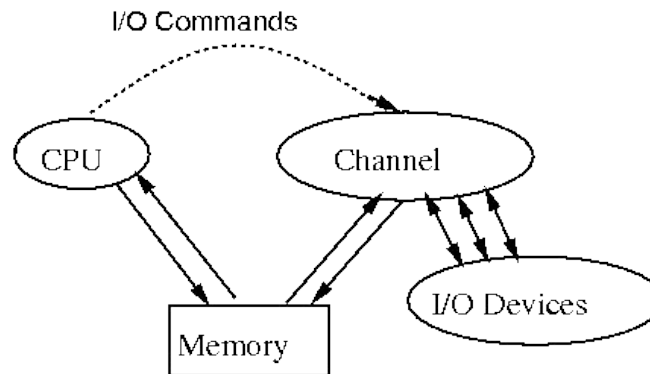
- Solutions to speed up I/O:
- Offline Processing
 - load jobs into memory from tapes, card reading and line printing are done offline.
- Spooling
 - Use disk (random access device) as large storage for reading as many input files as possible and storing output files until output devices are ready to accept them.
 - Allows overlap - I/O of one job with computation of another.
 - Introduces notion of a job pool that allows OS choose next job to run so as to increase CPU utilization.

Speeding up I/O

- Direct Memory Access (DMA)



- Channels



Batch Systems - I/O completion

- How do we know that I/O is complete?
 - Polling:
 - Device sets a flag when it is busy.
 - Program tests the flag in a loop waiting for completion of I/O.
 - Interrupts:
 - On completion of I/O, device forces CPU to jump to a specific instruction address that contains the interrupt service routine.
 - After the interrupt has been processed, CPU returns to code it was executing prior to servicing the interrupt.

Multiprogramming



- Use interrupts to run multiple programs simultaneously
 - When a program performs I/O, instead of polling, execute another program till interrupt is received.
- Requires secure memory, I/O for each program.
- Requires intervention if program loops indefinitely.
- Requires CPU scheduling to choose the next job to run.

Timesharing

Hardware – *getting cheaper*; Human – *getting expensive*

- Programs queued for execution in FIFO order.
- Like multiprogramming, but timer device interrupts after a quantum (timeslice).
 - Interrupted program is returned to end of FIFO
 - Next program is taken from head of FIFO
- Control card interpreter replaced by command language interpreter.

Timesharing (cont.)



- Interactive (action/response)
 - when OS finishes execution of one command, it seeks the next control statement from user.
- File systems
 - online filesystem is required for users to access data and code.
- Virtual memory
 - Job is swapped in and out of memory to disk.

Personal Computing Systems

Hardware – *cheap* ; Human – *expensive*

- Single user systems, portable.
- I/O devices - keyboards, mice, display screens, small printers.
- Laptops and palmtops, Smart cards, Wireless devices.
- Single user systems may not need advanced CPU utilization or protection features.
- Advantages:
 - user convenience, responsiveness, ubiquitous

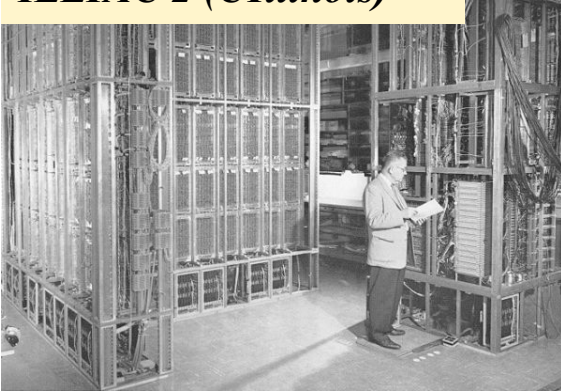
Parallel Systems



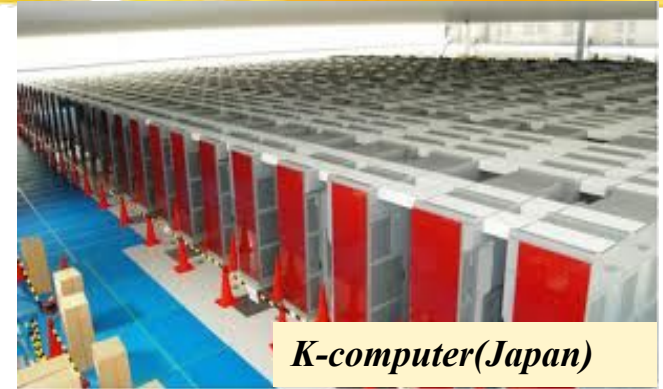
- Multiprocessor systems with more than one CPU in close communication.
- Improved Throughput, economical, increased reliability.
- Kinds:
 - Vector and pipelined
 - Symmetric and asymmetric multiprocessing
 - Distributed memory vs. shared memory
- Programming models:
 - Tightly coupled vs. loosely coupled ,message-based vs. shared variable

Parallel Computing Systems

ILLIAC 2 (Uillinois)



*Climate modeling,
earthquake
simulations, genome
analysis, protein
folding, nuclear fusion
research,*



K-computer(Japan)



Connection Machine (MIT)

Tianhe-1(China)



IBM Blue Gene

Distributed Systems

Hardware – *very cheap* ; Human – *very expensive*

- Distribute computation among many processors.
- Loosely coupled -
 - no shared memory, various communication lines
- client/server architectures
- Advantages:
 - resource sharing
 - computation speed-up
 - reliability
 - communication - e.g. email
- Applications - digital libraries, digital multimedia

Real-time systems

- Correct system function depends on timeliness
- Feedback/control loops
- Sensors and actuators
- Hard real-time systems -
 - Failure if response time too long.
 - Secondary storage is limited
- Soft real-time systems -
 - Less accurate if response time is too long.
 - Useful in applications such as multimedia, virtual reality.



A personal computer today



interaction

- Super AMOLED display
- Capacitive touchscreen (multitouch)
- Audio (speaker, microphone)
- Vibration
- S pen

- 4G LTE
- NFC
- WiFi
- Bluetooth
- Infrared
- 64 GB internal storage (extended by microSD)
- Adreno 330 GPU
- Hexagon DSP
- Multimedia processor

- 13 MP front camera
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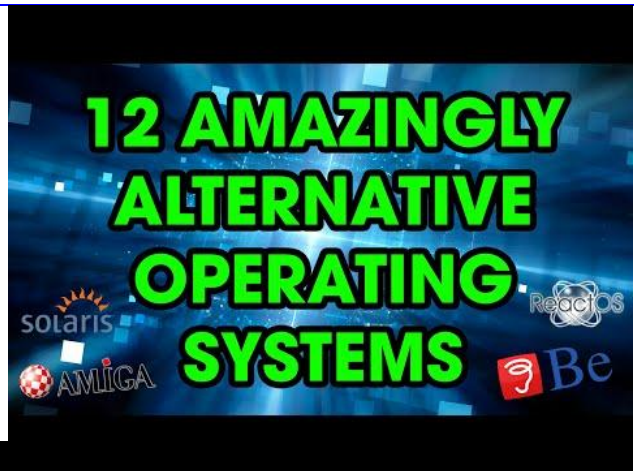
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Info-tainment!!



Summary of lecture



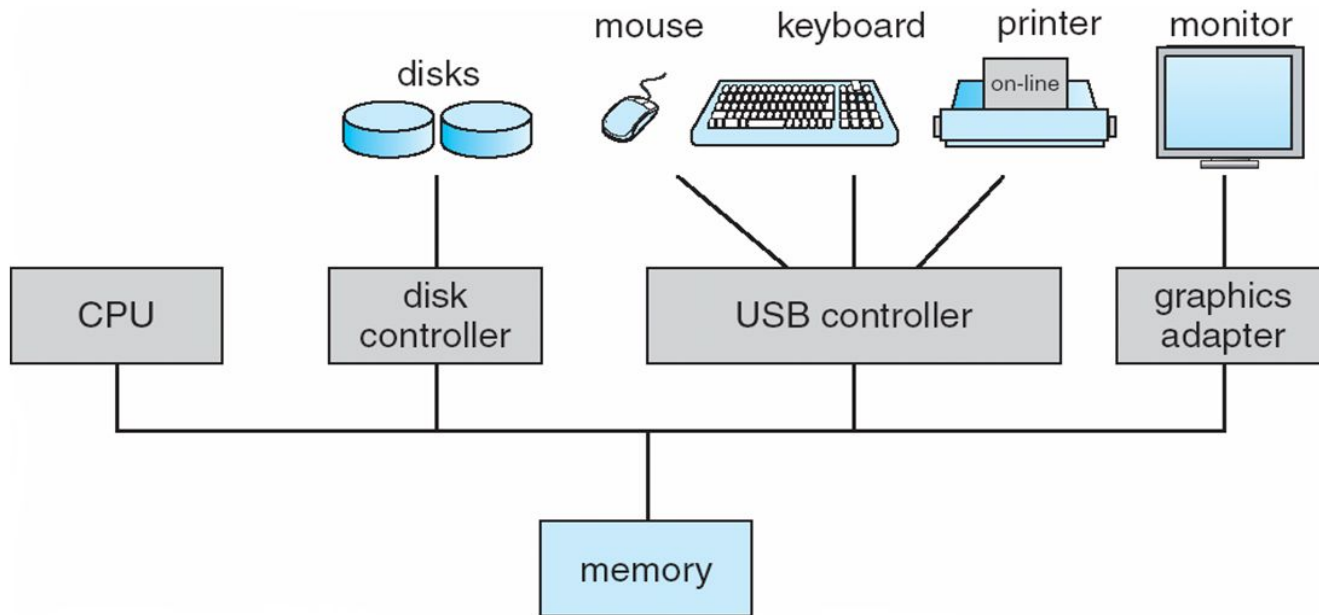
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Computer System & OS Structures

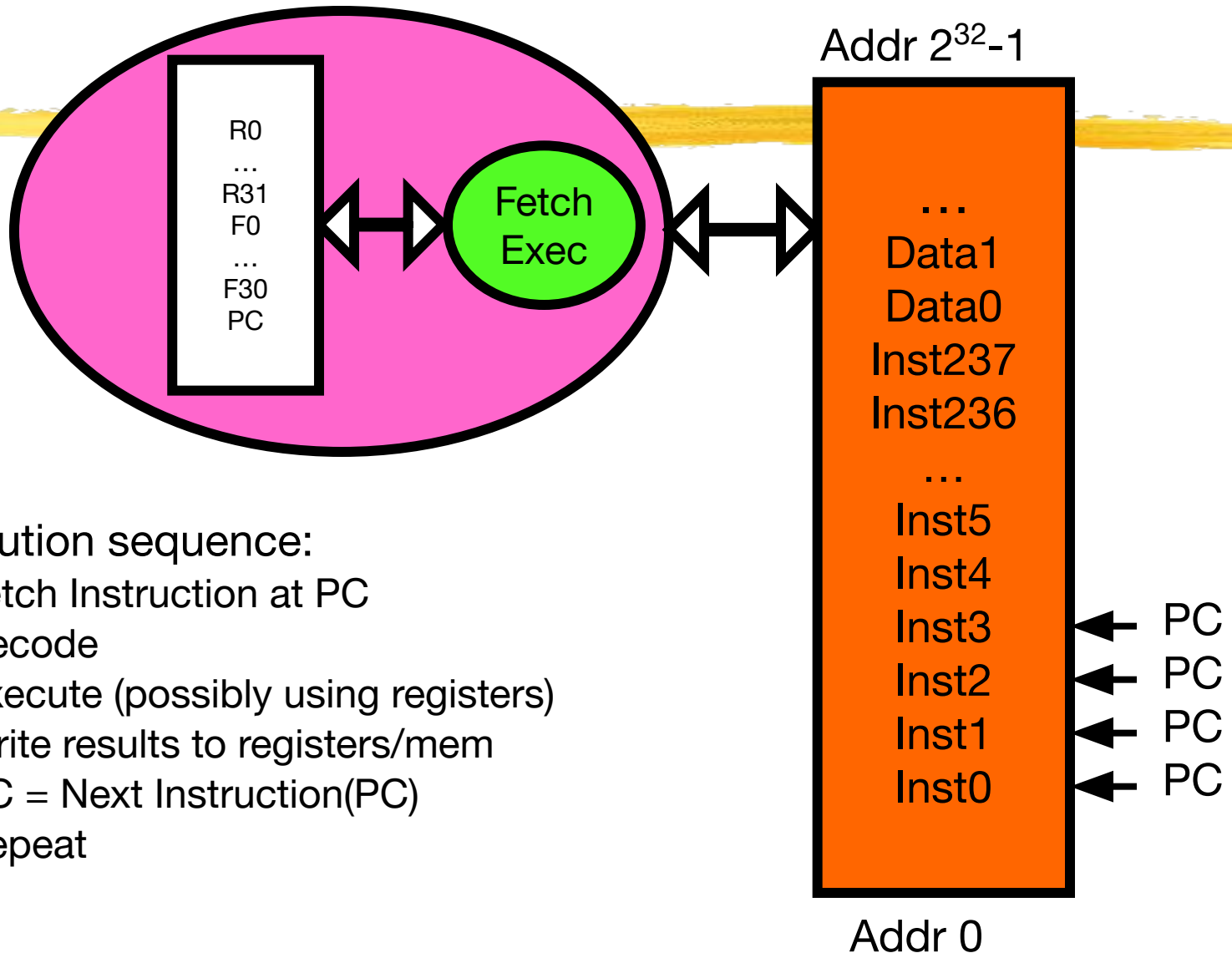


- Computer System Organization
- Operational Flow and hardware protection
- System call and OS services
- Storage architecture
- OS organization
- OS tasks
- Virtual Machines

Computer System **Organization**



CPU execution

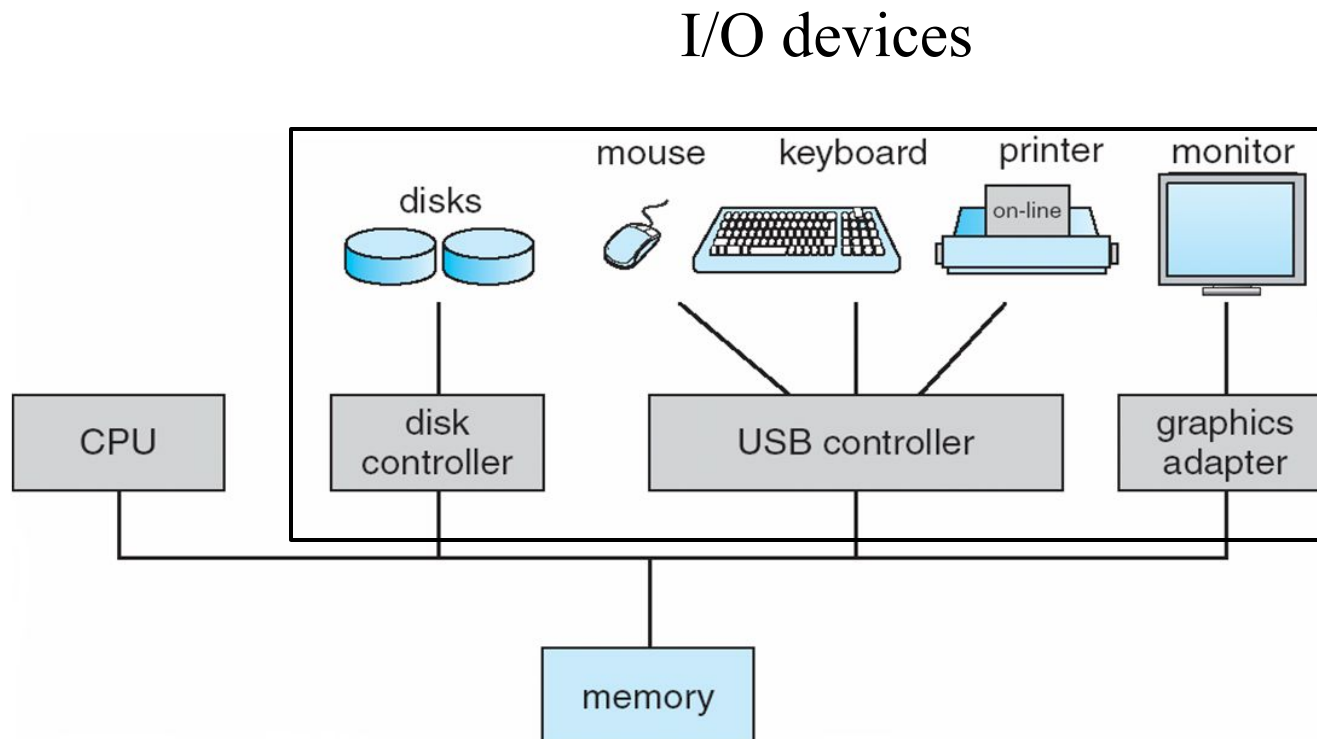


Execution sequence:

- Fetch Instruction at PC
- Decode
- Execute (possibly using registers)
- Write results to registers/mem
- PC = Next Instruction(PC)
- Repeat

From Berkeley OS course

Computer System **Organization**



I/O devices



- I/O devices and the CPU execute concurrently.
- Each device controller is in charge of a particular device type
 - Each device controller has a local buffer. I/O is from the device to local buffer of controller
- CPU moves data from/to main memory to/from the local buffers

Interrupts

- **Interrupt** transfers control to the **interrupt service routine**
 - Interrupt Service Routine: Segments of code that determine action to be taken for interrupt.
- Determining the type of interrupt
 - Polling: same interrupt handler called for all interrupts, which then polls all devices to figure out the reason for the interrupt
 - Interrupt Vector Table: different interrupt handlers will be executed for different interrupts

Interrupt Number	Address
0	0003h
1	000Bh
2	0013h
3	001Bh
4	0023h
5	002Bh
6	0033h
7	003Bh
8	0043h
9	004Bh
10	0053h
11	005Bh
12	0063h
13	006Bh
14	0073h
15	007Bh

Interrupt Number	Address
16	0083h
17	008Bh
18	0093h
19	009Bh
20	00A3h
21	00ABh
22	00B3h
23	00BBh
24	00C3h
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28	00E3h
29	00EBh
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31	00FBh

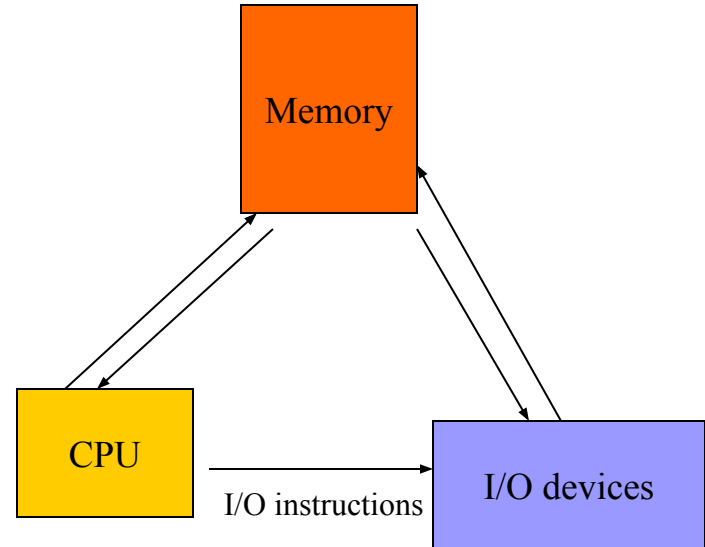
Interrupt **handling**



- OS preserves the state of the CPU
 - stores registers and the program counter (address of interrupted instruction).
- What happens to a new interrupt when the CPU is handling one interrupt?
 - Incoming interrupts can be disabled while another interrupt is being processed. In this case, incoming interrupts may be lost or may be buffered until they can be delivered.
 - Incoming interrupts can be masked (i.e., ignored) by software.
 - Incoming interrupts are delivered, i.e., nested interrupts.

Direct Memory Access (DMA)

- Typically used for I/O devices with a lot of data to transfer (in order to reduce load on CPU).
- Device controller transfers blocks of data from buffer storage directly to main memory without CPU intervention.
- Device controller interrupts CPU on completion of I/O



Process Abstraction



Process Abstraction



- Process: an *instance* of a program, running with limited rights

Process Abstraction and rights

- Process: an *instance* of a program, running with limited rights
- Address space: set of rights of a process
 - Memory that the process can access
- Other permissions the process has (e.g., which system calls it can make, what files it can access)

Hardware Protection



- CPU Protection:
 - Dual Mode Operation
 - Timer interrupts
- Memory Protection
- I/O Protection

How to limit process rights?



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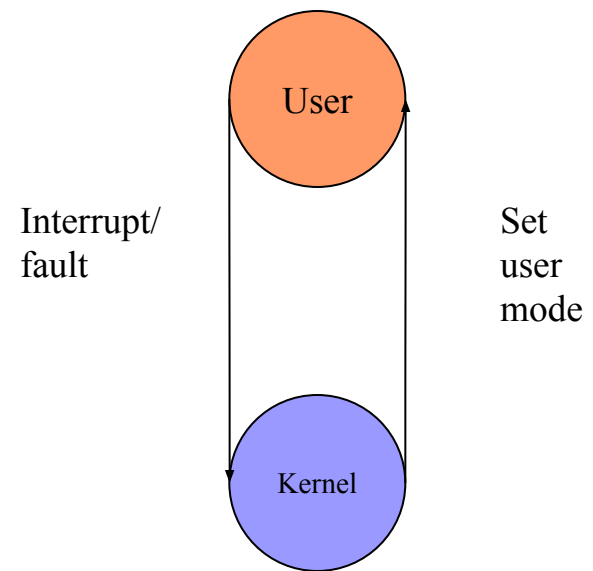
- No
 - Can alter system configuration
 - Can access unauthorized memory
 - Can access unauthorized I/O
 - etc.
- How to prevent?

Dual-mode operation

- Provide hardware support to differentiate between at least two modes of operation:
 1. User mode -- execution done on behalf of a user.
 2. Kernel mode (monitor/supervisor/system mode) -- execution done on behalf of operating system.
- “Privileged” instructions are only executable in the kernel mode
- Executing privileged instructions in the user mode “traps” into the kernel mode

Dual-mode operation(cont.)

- Mode bit added to computer hardware to indicate the current mode: kernel(0) or user(1).
- When an interrupt or trap occurs, hardware switches to kernel mode.



CPU Protection



- How to prevent a process from executing indefinitely?

CPU Protection



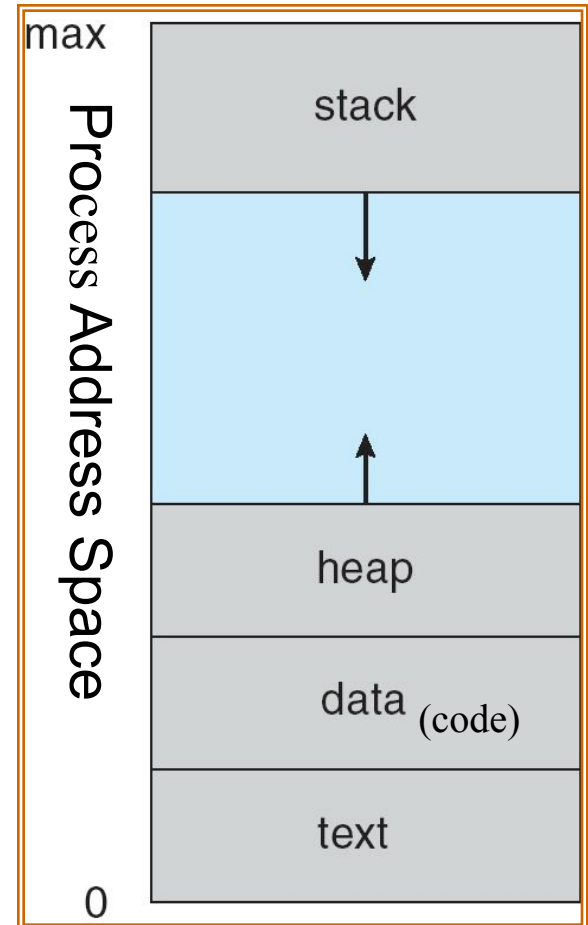
- Timer - interrupts computer after specified period to ensure that OS maintains control.
 - Timer is decremented every clock tick.
 - When timer reaches a value of 0, an interrupt occurs.
- Timer is commonly used to implement time sharing.
- Timer is also used to compute the current time.
- Programming the timer can only be done in the kernel since it requires privileged instructions.

How to isolate memory access?

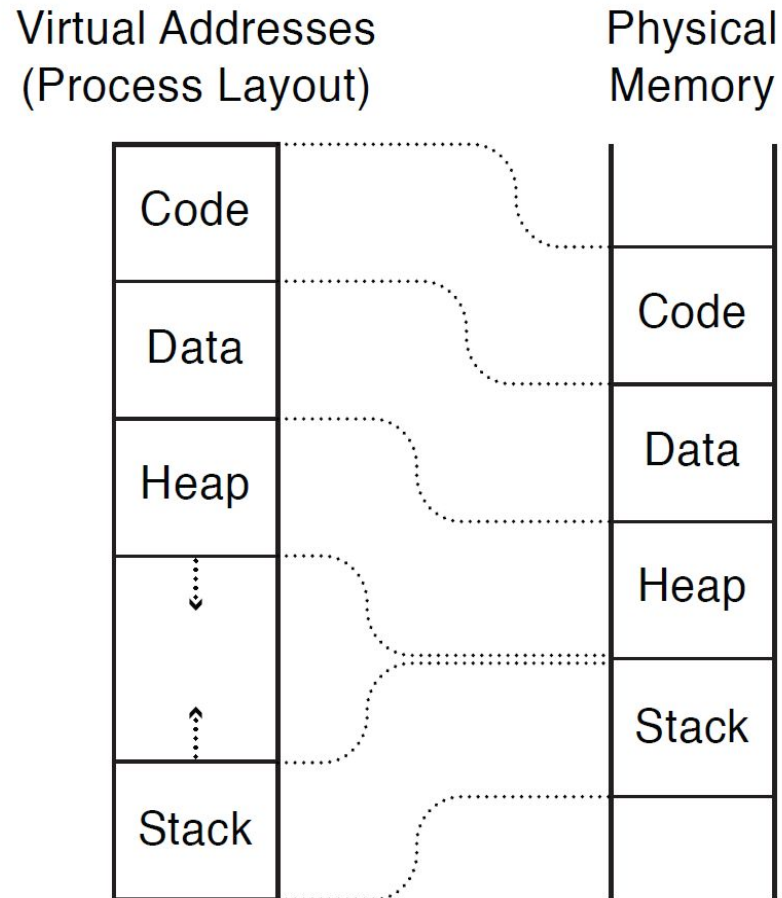


Process address space

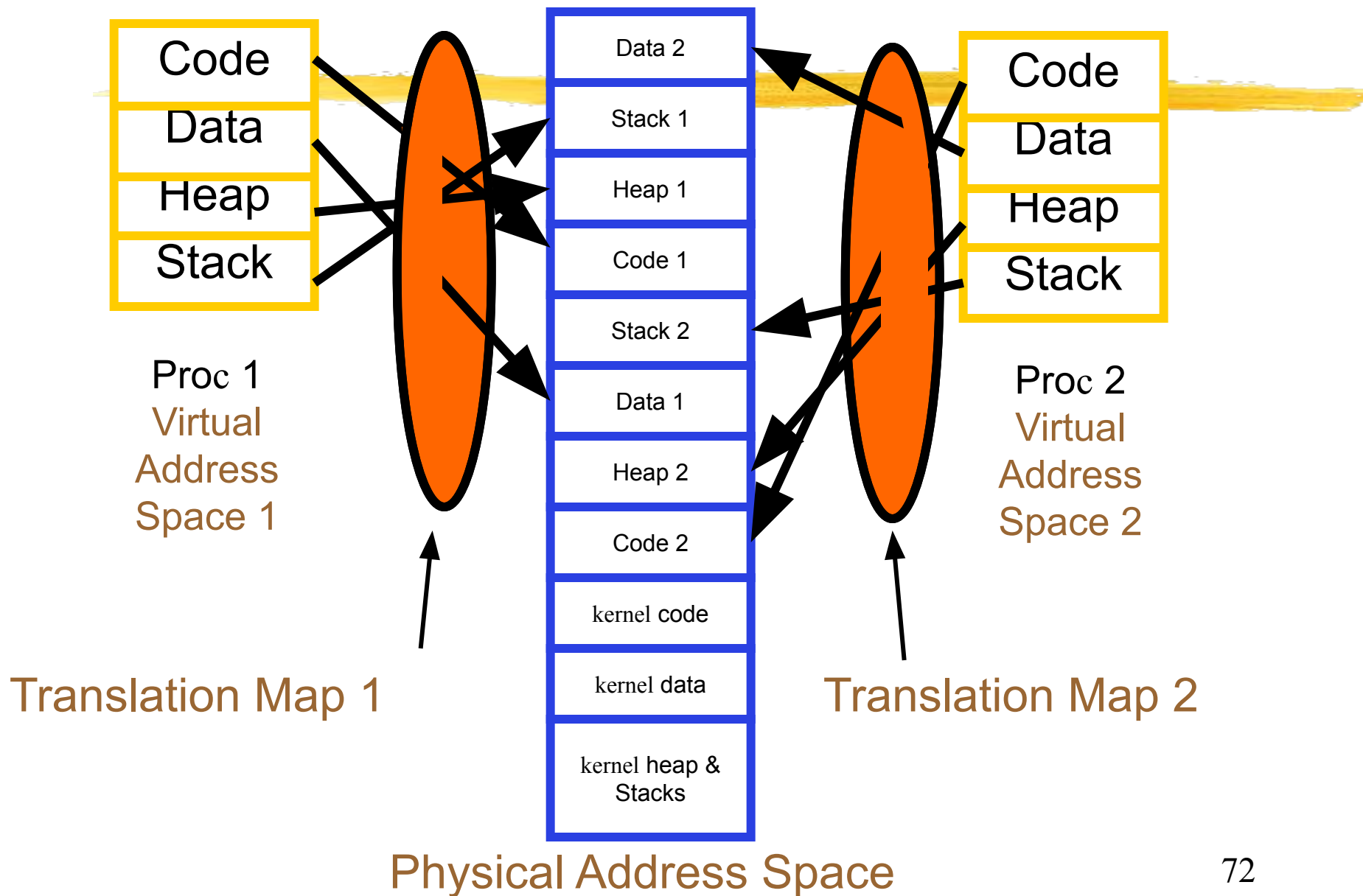
- Address space \Rightarrow the set of accessible addresses :
- For a 32-bit processor there are $2^{32} = 4$ billion addresses



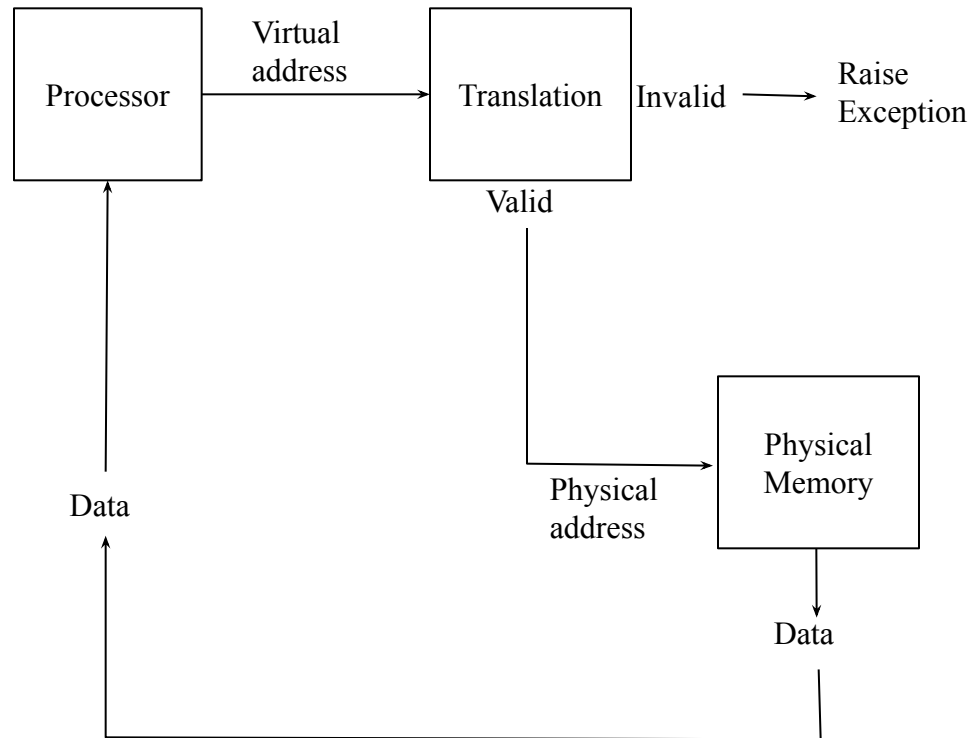
Virtual Address



Providing the Illusion of Separate Address Spaces



Address translation and memory protection



Memory Protection

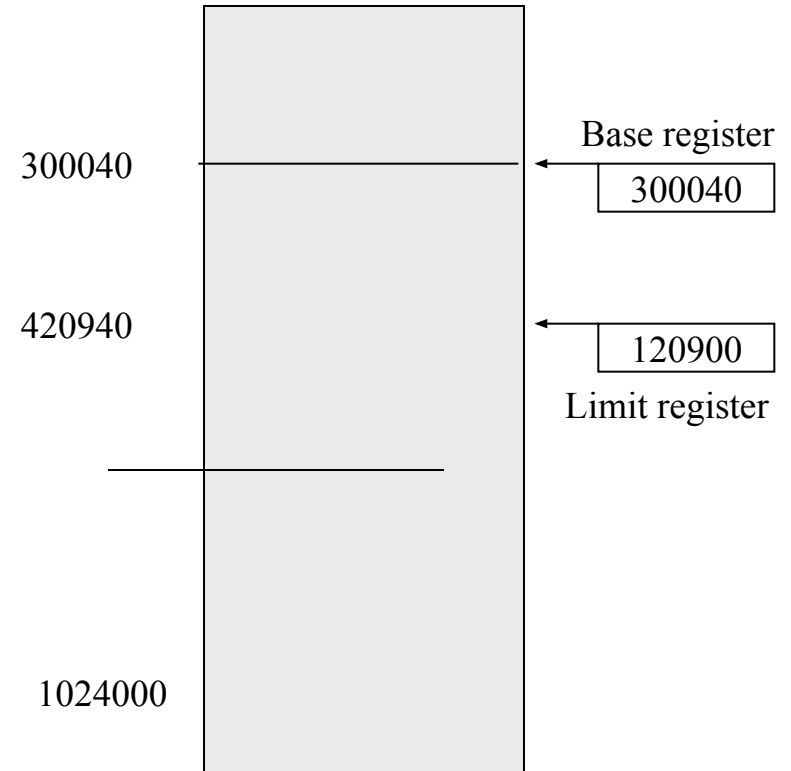


- When a process is running, only memory in that process address space must be accessible.
- When executing in kernel mode, the kernel has unrestricted access to all memory.

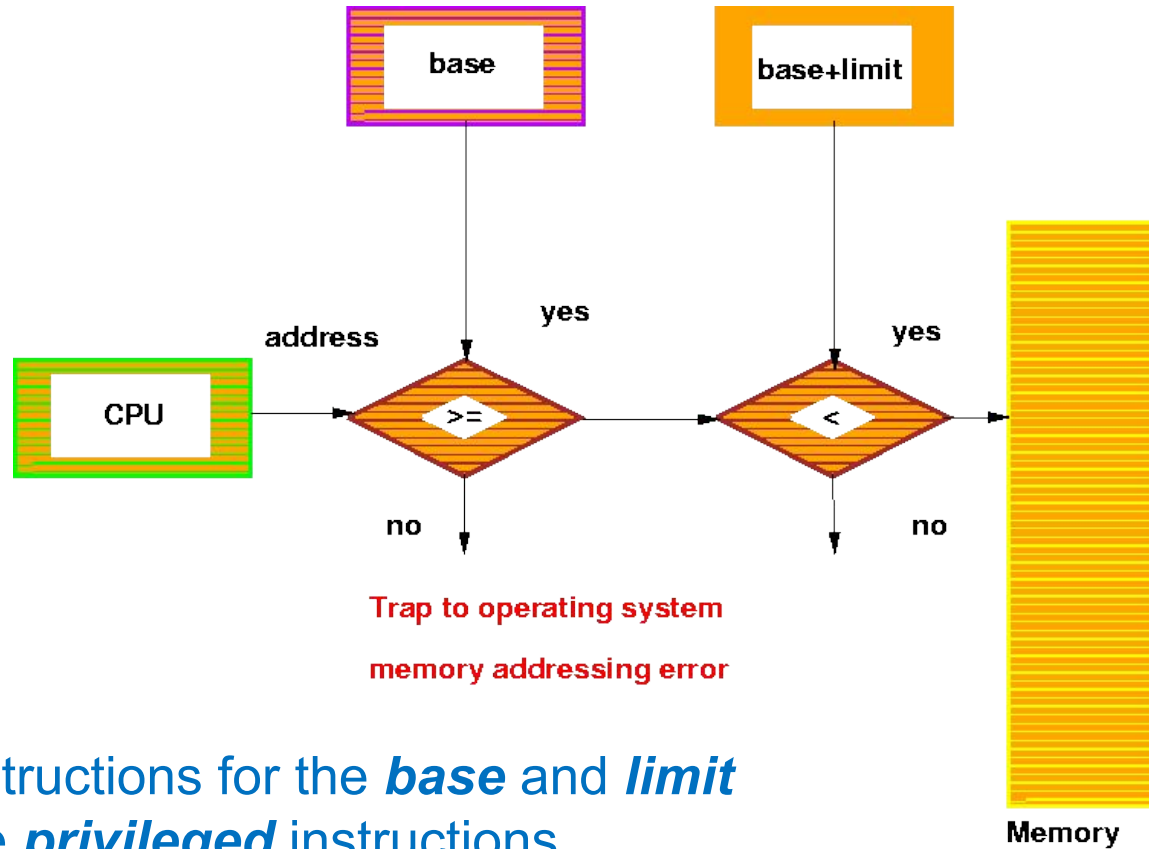
Memory Protection: **base and limit**

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- To provide memory protection, add two registers that determine the range of legal addresses a program may address.
 - **Base Register** - holds smallest legal physical memory address.
 - **Limit register** - contains the size of the range.
- Memory outside the defined range is protected.
- Sometimes called **Base and Bounds** method



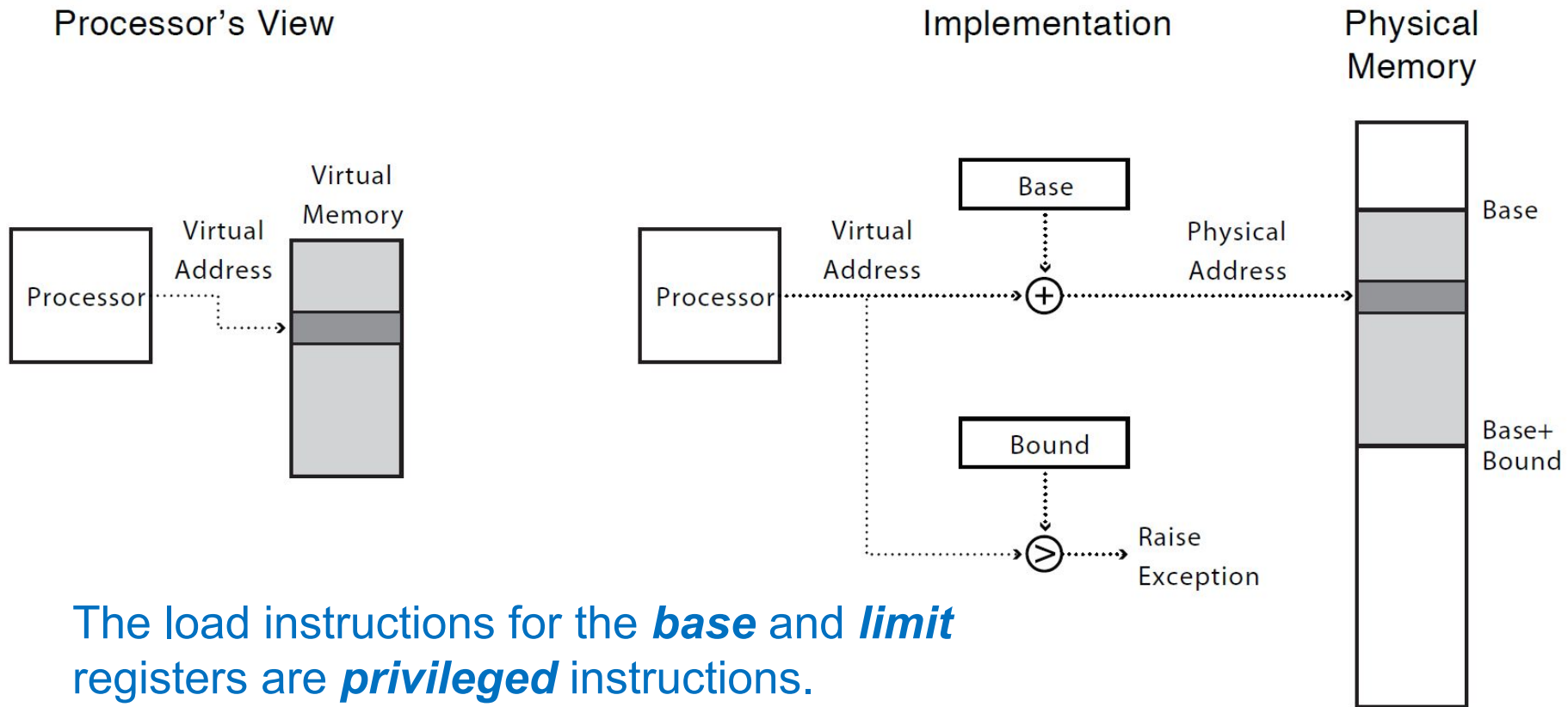
Hardware Address Protection



The load instructions for the *base* and *limit* registers are *privileged* instructions.

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Virtual Address translation using the Base and Bounds method



The load instructions for the **base** and **limit** registers are **privileged** instructions.

I/O Protection



- All I/O instructions are privileged instructions.

Question



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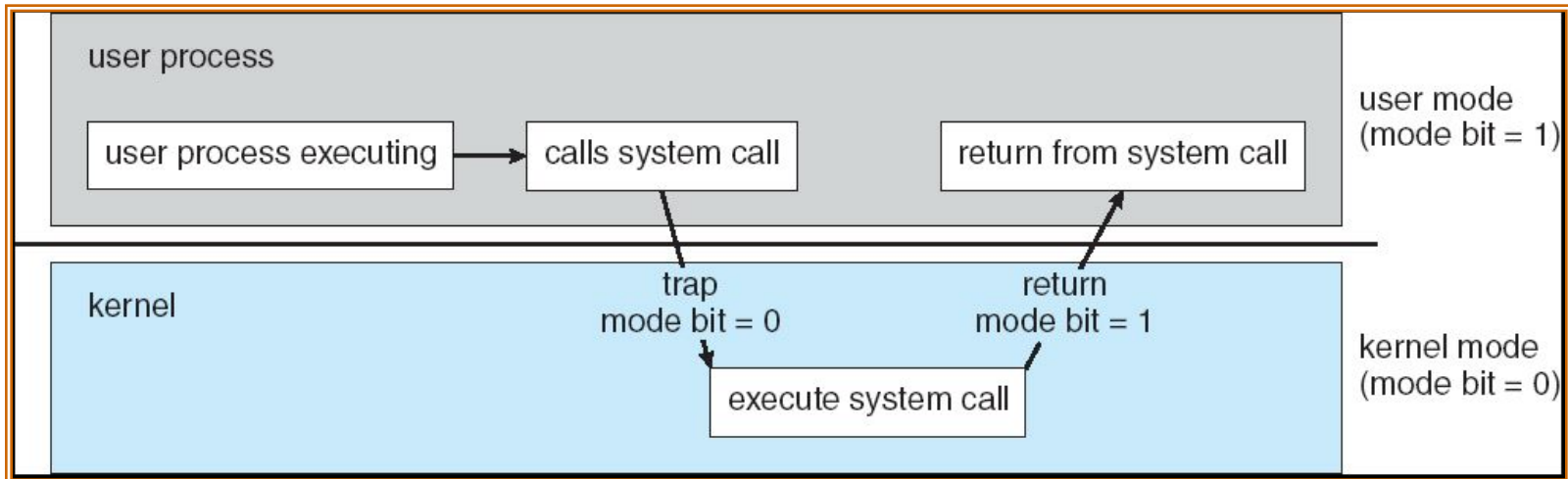
Question



- Given the I/O instructions are privileged, how do users perform I/O?
- Via system calls - the method used by a process to request action by the operating system.

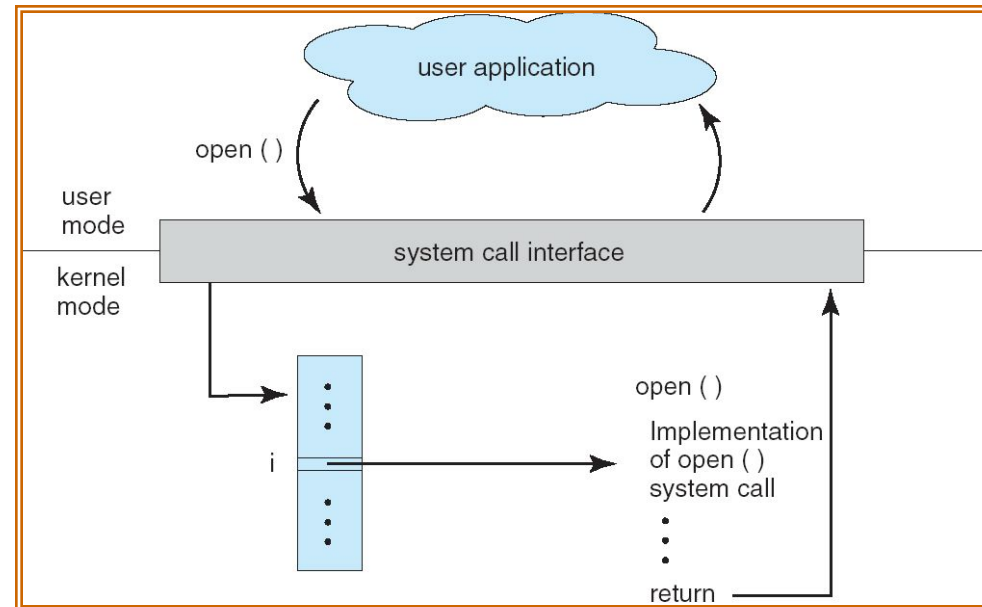
System Calls

- User code can issue a syscall, which causes a trap
- Kernel handles the syscall



System Calls

- Interface between applications and the OS.
 - Application uses an assembly instruction to trap into the kernel
 - Some higher level languages provide wrappers for **system calls** (e.g., C)
- System calls pass parameters between an and OS via registers or memory
- Linux has about 300 system calls
 - read(), write(), open(), close(), fork(), exec(), ioctl(),.....



System **services** or **system programs**



- Convenient environment for program development and execution.
 - Command Interpreter (i.e., shell) - parses/executes other system programs
 - Window management
 - System libraries, e.g., libc

Command Interpreter System



- Commands that are given to the operating system via command statements that execute
 - Process creation and deletion, I/O handling, secondary storage management, main memory Management, file system access, protection, networking, etc.
- Obtains the next command and executes it.
- Programs that read and interpret control statements also called -
 - Command-line interpreter, shell (in UNIX)

Storage Structure



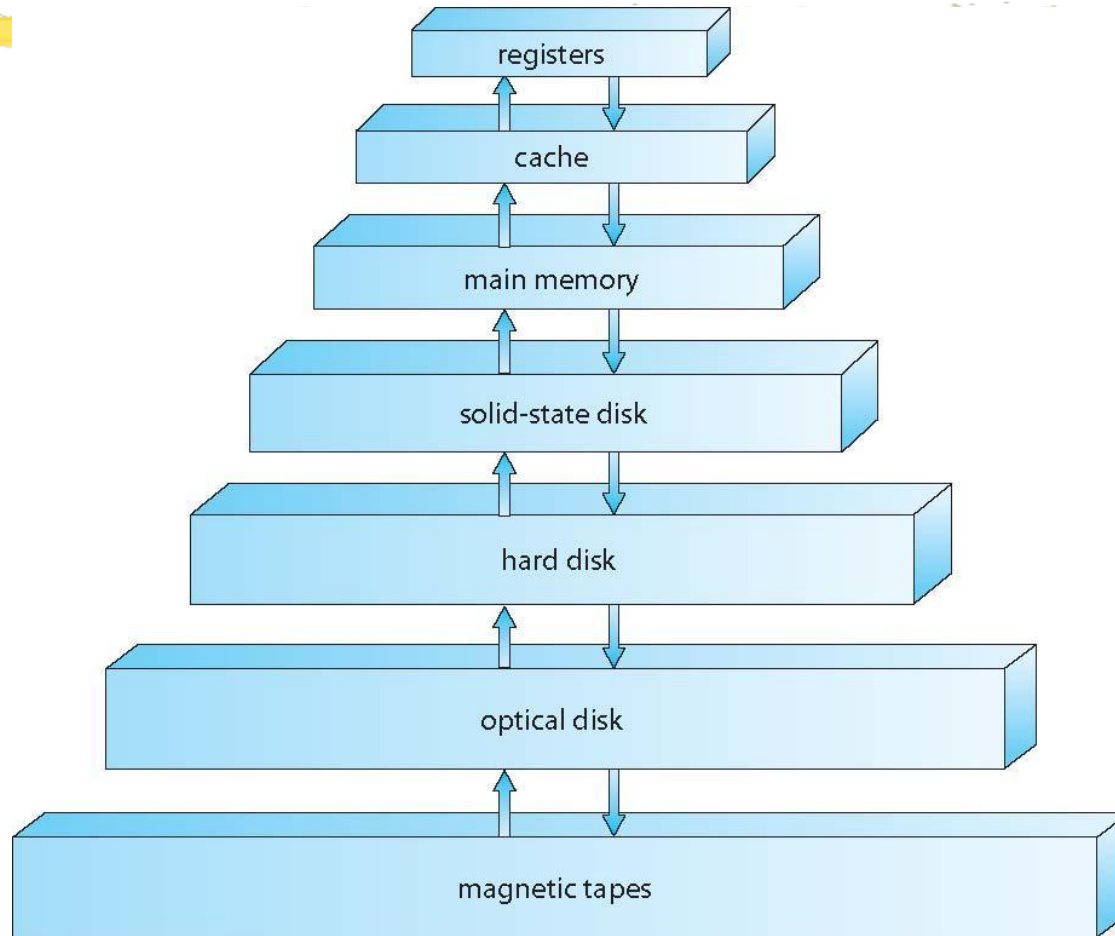
- Main memory - only large storage media that the CPU can access directly.
- Secondary storage - has large nonvolatile storage capacity.
 - Magnetic disks - rigid metal or glass platters covered with magnetic recording material.
 - Disk surface is logically divided into tracks, subdivided into sectors.
 - Disk controller determines logical interaction between device and computer.

Storage Hierarchy



- Storage systems are organized in a hierarchy based on
 - Speed
 - Cost
 - Volatility
- Caching - process of copying information into faster storage system; main memory can be viewed as fast cache for secondary storage.

Storage Device Hierarchy



OS Task: Process Management



- Process - fundamental concept in OS
 - Process is an instance of a program in execution.
 - Process needs resources - CPU time, memory, files/data and I/O devices.
- OS is responsible for the following process management activities.
 - Process creation and deletion
 - Process suspension and resumption
 - Process synchronization and interprocess communication
 - Process interactions - deadlock detection, avoidance and correction

OS Task: Memory Management



- Main Memory is an array of addressable words or bytes that is quickly accessible.
- Main Memory is volatile.
- OS is responsible for:
 - Allocate and deallocate memory to processes.
 - Managing multiple processes within memory - keep track of which parts of memory are used by which processes. Manage the sharing of memory between processes.
 - Determining which processes to load when memory becomes available.

OS Task: Secondary Storage and I/O Management



- Since primary storage (i.e., main memory) is expensive and volatile, secondary storage is required for backup.
- Disk is the primary form of secondary storage.
 - OS performs storage allocation, free-space management, etc.
- I/O system in the OS consists of
 - Device driver interface that abstracts device details
 - Drivers for specific hardware devices

OS Task: File System Management




- File is a collection of related information - represents programs and data.
- OS is responsible for
 - File creation and deletion
 - Directory creation and deletion
 - Supporting primitives for file/directory manipulation.
 - Mapping files to disks (secondary storage).

OS Task: Protection and Security



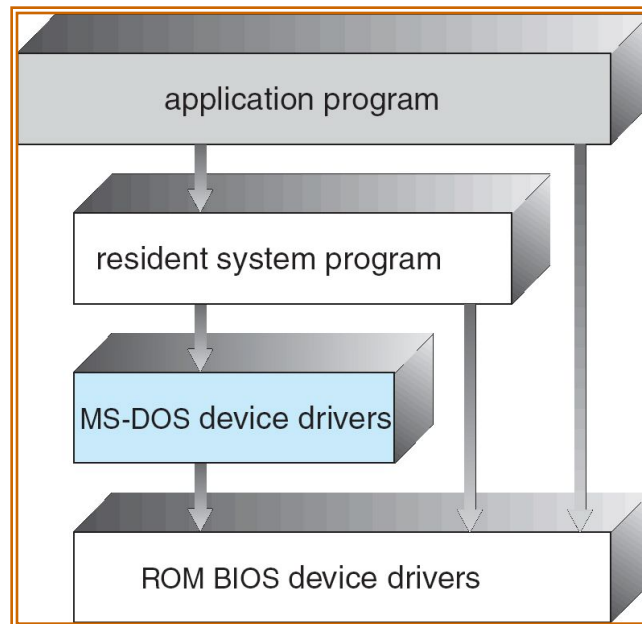
- Protection mechanisms control access of processes to user and system resources.
- Protection mechanisms must:
 - Distinguish between authorized and unauthorized use.
 - Specify access controls to be imposed on use.
 - Provide mechanisms for enforcement of access control.

Operating Systems: How are they organized?

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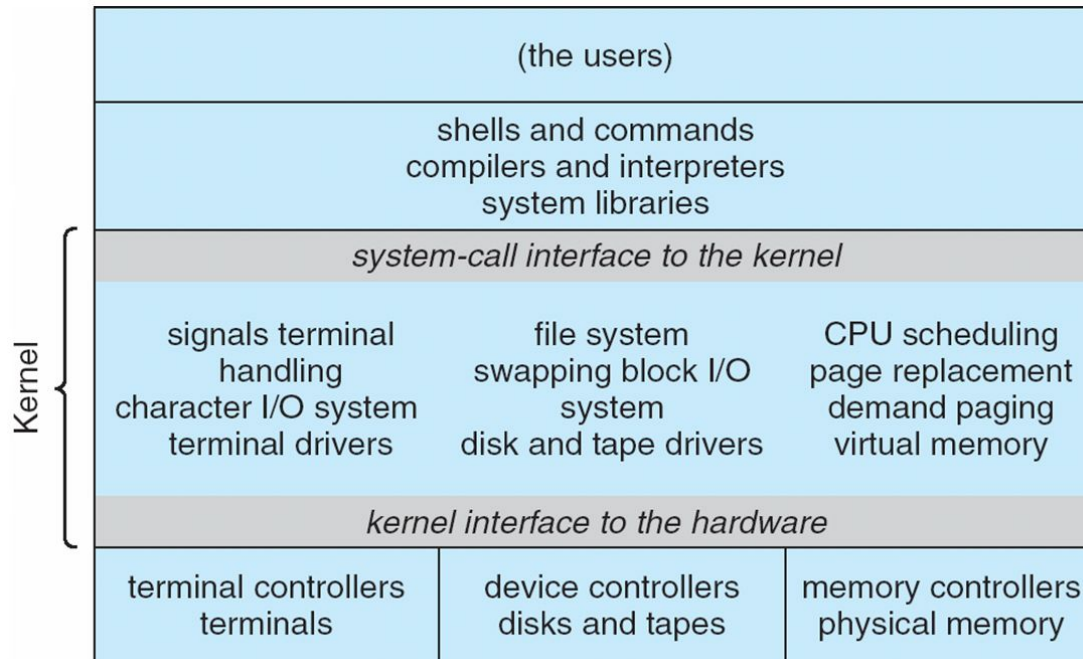
OS Structure - Simple Approach

- MS-DOS - provides a lot of functionality in little space.
 - Not divided into modules, Interfaces and levels of functionality are not well separated



Original UNIX System Structure

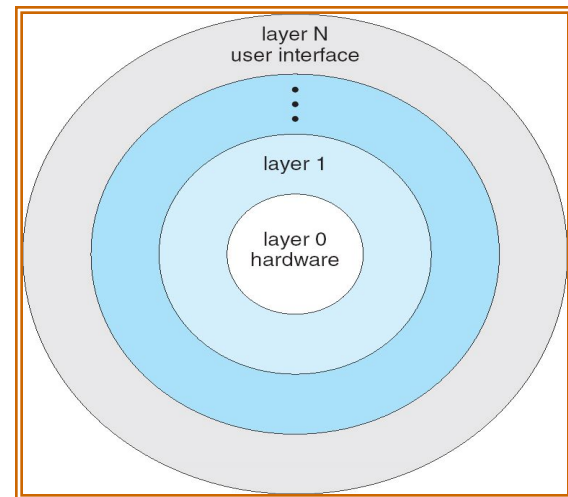
- Limited structuring, has 2 separable parts
 - Systems programs
 - Kernel
 - everything below system call interface and above physical hardware.
 - Filesystem, CPU scheduling, memory management



Layered OS Structure

- OS divided into number of layers - bottom layer is hardware, highest layer is the user interface.
- Each layer uses functions and services of only lower-level layers.
- THE Operating System and Linux Kernel has successive layers of abstraction.

User Programs
Interface Primitives
Device Drivers and Schedulers
Virtual Memory
I/O
CPU Scheduling
Hardware



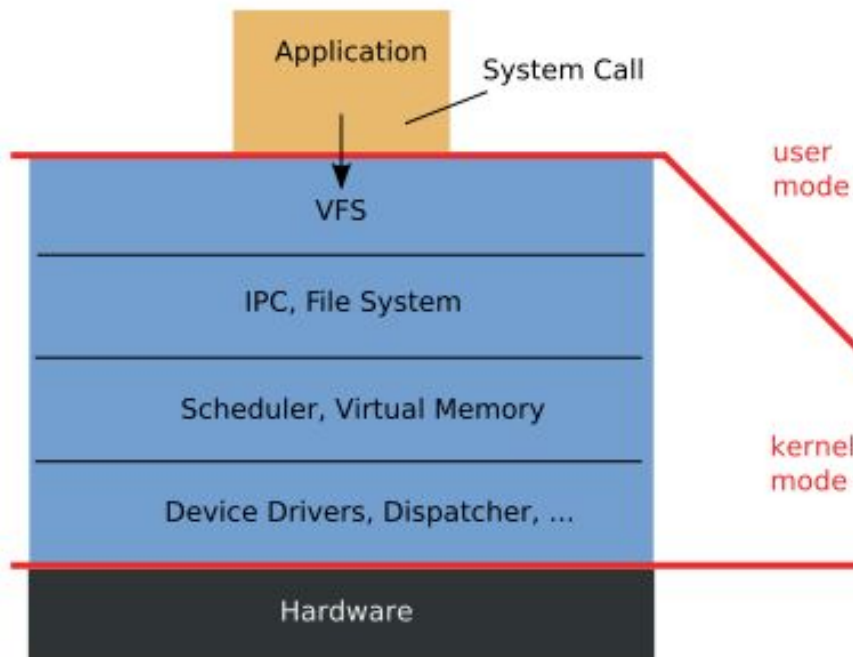
Monolithic vs. Microkernel OS



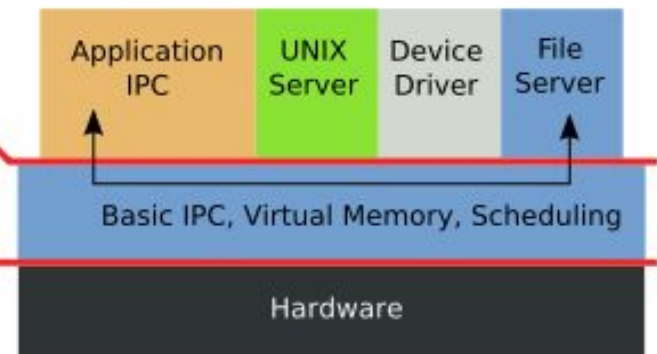
- Monolithic OSes have large kernels with a lot of components
 - Linux, Windows, Mac
- Microkernels moves as much from the kernel into “*user*” space
 - Small core OS components running at kernel level
 - OS Services built from many independent user-level processes
- Communication between modules with message passing
- Benefits:
 - Easier to extend a microkernel
 - Easier to port OS to new architectures
 - More reliable and more secure (less code is running in kernel mode)
- Detriments:
 - Performance overhead severe for naïve implementation

A microkernel OS

Monolithic Kernel based Operating System

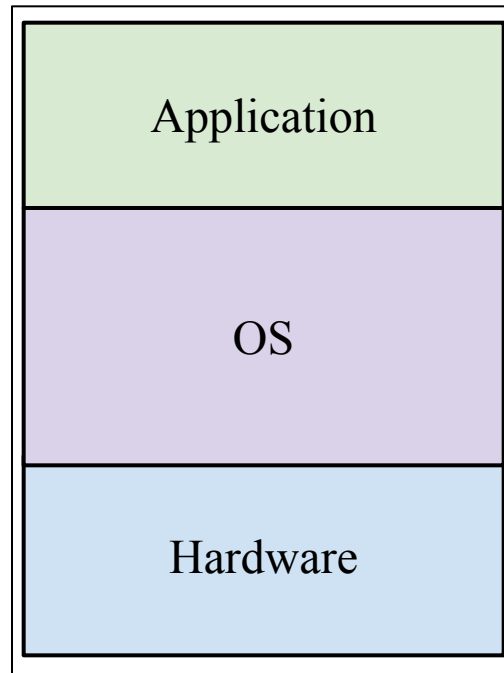


Microkernel based Operating System



Virtual Machines

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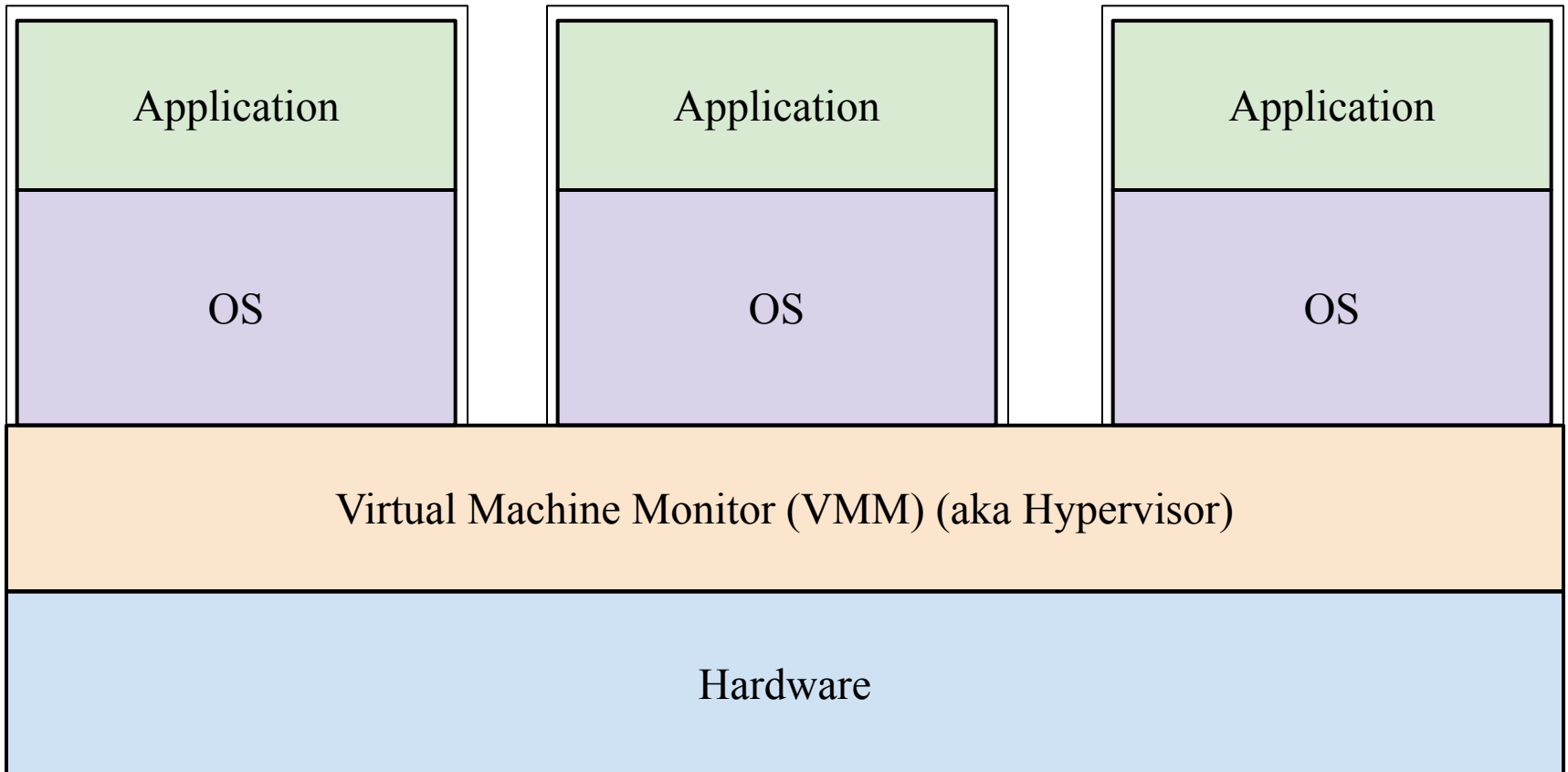


Virtual Machines

Virtual Machine 1

Virtual Machine 2

Virtual Machine 3



Virtual Machines



- Use cases
 - Resource configuration
 - Running multiple OSes, either the same or different OSes
 - Run existing OS binaries on different architecture

Summary of Lecture set 1



- What is an operating system?
- Operating systems history
- Computer system and operating system structure