# **Operating System Processes**

## Drawing: Cache

- Take three minutes to draw "cache"
- Some reminders
  - Multiple levels
  - Different sizes and speeds per level
  - Tag/Index/Offset
  - Lines
  - Sets
  - Data blocks
  - Valid bits







## Introduction to Operating Systems

- An operating system (OS) manages a computer's resources
  - Examples: OSX, Windows, Ubuntu, iOS, Android, Chrome OS
- Core OS functionality is implemented by the OS kernel



- resource allocation
- isolation
- communication
- access control



- multiprocessing
- virtual memory
- reliable networking
- virtual machines



- user interface
- file I/O
- device management
- process control

## **Operating System Goals**

- Reliability: they OS should <u>do what you want</u>
- Availability: the OS should <u>respond to user</u> input
- Security: the OS should not be (easily) corrupted by an attacker
- Portability: the OS should be <u>easy to move to new hardware</u> platforms
- Performance: the OS should impose minimal overhead and be responsive

#### Processes

- A program (executable, binary, etc.) is a file containing code + data
  - For example, in the ELF format on Linux
- A process is an instance of a running program
  - One of the most profound ideas in computer science
  - Not the same as "program" or "processor"
- Why would we ever have two instances of a single program?



Registers

## Multiprocessing (running a monitor)

Processes									Esc to go back
PID(p)	Name(n)	CPU%(c)▼	Mem%(m)	R/s	W/s	T.Read	T.Write	User	State
390 59049	com.apple.AppleUserHIDDrivers htm	0.4%	0.0% 0.1%	OB/s OB/s	0B/s 0B/s	0B 0B	0B AB	root aicd2020	Unknown Runnable
56239	plugin-container	0.2%		0B/s	0B/s	2MB	08	ajcd2020	Runnable
154	bluetoothd	0.2%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	0B	0B	root	Unknown
1447	firefox	0.2%	5.4%	0B/s	4KB/s	61.9GB	57.1GB	ajcd2020	Runnable
100	windowserver	0.1%	0.0%	UB/S AR/c	08/5	05 885KB	UB AR	POUT aicd2020	Puppable
52912	kitty	0.1%	0.5%	0B/s	0B/s	23MB	25KB	ajcd2020	Runnable
234	coreaudiod	0.1%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	0B	0B	root	Unknown
1971	plugin-container	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	74MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
1012	Stats Slack Valaan (Dandanan)	0.0%	0.1%	0B/s	0B/s	3.1GB	61KB	ajcd2020	Runnable
5/588	Slack Helper (Kenderer)	9.0% A A%	1.0%	⊎B/S ∩R/s	08/S 08/c	18.56B 16.66B	UB AR	ajcd2020 aicd2020	Runnable
B6726	Dropbox	0.0%	0.5%	0B/s	0B/s	5.3GB	106MB	aicd2020	Runnable
162	syspolicyd	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	ØB	0B	root	Unknown
54441	Notability	0.0%	0.6%	0B/s	0B/s	105MB	1MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
68654	Adobe Desktop Service	0.0%	0.7%	0B/s	0B/s	4.4GB	438MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
68662 167	AdobelPLBroker	0.0% 0.0%	0.0%	08/5	08/5	626HB	UB AR	ajcd2020	linknown
37159	OneDrive	0.0%	1.1%	0B/S	0B/S	1.868	4.8GB	aicd2020	Runnable
510	distnoted	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	112MB	08	ajcd2020	Runnable
1360	Core Sync	0.0%	0.2%	0B/s	0B/s	3.8GB	122MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
1047	Shottr	0.0%	0.4%	0B/s	0B/s	1.2GB	74KB	ajcd2020	Runnable
100	configd	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	08	0B	root	Unknown
205	AdobeResourceSvochronizer	U.U% A A%	0.0%	UB/S AB/s	0B/S 0B/C	0B 2 16B	9MB UB	root aicd2020	Buppable
45090	Electron Helper (Renderer)	0.0%	0.3%	0B/S	0B/S	357MB	AB	aicd2020	Runnable
1223	streem	0.0%	0.1%	0B/s	0B/s	1.5GB	71MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
57577	Slack	0.0%	0.4%	0B/s	0B/s	8.9GB	5.4GB	ajcd2020	Runnable
1387	Adobe_CCXProcess.node	0.0%	0.2%	0B/s	0B/s	2.8GB	22MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
57586	Slack Helper	0.0%	0.1%	0B/s	OB/s	2.86B	1.3GB	ajcd2020	Runnable
56470 417	Microsoft PowerPoint	U.U%	1.9%	⊎B/S 0P/c	0B/S	20808	125MB 11 40P	ajcd2020	Runnable
68679	Adobe Crash Handler	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	371MB	0B	aicd2020	Runnable
68668	Adobe Crash Handler	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	360MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
68660	Adobe Crash Handler	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	371MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
68663	Creative Cloud Helper	0.0%	0.1%	0B/s	0B/s	1.3GB	20MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
86746	Dropbox Helper (Renderer)	0.0%	0.2%	0B/S	0B/s	1.768	UB 200MD	ajcd2020	Runnable
207 643	Sharingu WeatherWidnet	0.0%	0.1% A 1%	OD/S AR/s	0B/S 0B/S	2 468	2000D 26MR	aicd2820	Runnahle
68672	Creative Cloud Helper	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	863MB	11MB	aicd2020	Runnable
	node	0.0%	0.1%	0B/s	0B/s	3.0GB	19MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
528	identityservicesd	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	1.1GB	14MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
45068	Code42Desktop	0.0%	0.1%	0B/s	0B/s	165MB	8KB	ajcd2020	Runnable
57991	Uneurive File Provider ViewPridzeAuxiliary	U.U%	0.5%	UB/S OB/c	⊎B/S 08/c	130MB 701MD	3.068	ajcd2020	Runnable
972	LogiVCCoreService	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	988MB	37KB	aicd2020	Runnable
57833	plugin-container	0.0%	0.5%	0B/s	0B/s	OB	08	ajcd2020	Runnable
549	nsurlsessiond	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	703MB	118MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
56545	plugin-container	0.0%	0.6%	0B/s	0B/s	33KB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
1100	Box	0.0%	0.3%	0B/S	0B/s	5.86B	231MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
551	CalendarAgent	0.0%	0.1%	0B/S	0B/S	1.168	63MB	ajcu2020	Runnable
570	com.apple.hiservices-xpcservice	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	129MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
502	familycircled	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	328MB	614KB	ajcd2020	Runnable
34424	Electron	0.0%	0.5%	0B/s	0B/s	739MB	260MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
545	SUDLIMe_Text	0.0%	0.5%	0B/s	0B/s	3.7GB	417MB	ajcd2020	Runnable
52669	nlugin-container	0.0% A A%	1.2%	OB/S AR/S	OB/S AR/S	410MB	41KB AB	ajcd2020 ajcd2020	Runnable
653	AccessibilityVisualsAgent	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	646MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
53317	accessoryd	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	0B	0B	root	Unknown
10703	accessoryupdaterd	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	0B	ØB	root	Unknown
3687	ACCFinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	264MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
06586	ACCEInderSync	9.0%	0.1%	0B/S	0B/S	279KB	0B 0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
8478	ACCEinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	OB/S	0B/S	24mb 23MB	AB	ajcu2020	Runnable
268	ACCFinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	196MB	08	ajcd2020	Runnable
9910	ACCFinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	352MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
7446	ACCFinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	283MB	ØB	ajcd2020	Runnable
9894	ACCFinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	346MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
0601	ACCEinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	UB/S OB/C	0B/S 0B/C	57MB 21MP	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
3724	ACCEinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	OB/S OR/S	0B/S	21NB 248MB	AB	ajcu2020 aicd2020	Runnable
6629	ACCFinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	208MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
9415	ACCFinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	295MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
6015	ACCFinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	207MB	0B	ajcd2020	Runnable
848	ACCFinderSync	0.0%	0.0%	0B/s	0B/s	209MB	0B	aicd2020	Runnable

## Multiprocessing (running a monitor)



# Multiprocessing: The Illusion



Each process has its own:

- Logical control flow
  - Each program seems to have exclusive use of the CPU
  - Provided by kernel mechanism called context switching
- Private address space
  - Each program seems to have exclusive use of main memory
  - Provided by kernel mechanism called virtual memory



A single processor (CPU) executes multiple processes concurrently

- Process executions interleaved (multitasking)
- Register values for nonexecuting processes saved in memory
- Address spaces managed by virtual memory system



## Process Control Block (PCB)

To switch from one process to another (a "context switch"), the OS maintains a PCB for each process containing:

- process table (id, user, privilege level, arguments, status, etc.)
- location of executable in storage (e.g., SSD)
- file table (a list of all open "files")

register values (general-purpose registers, float registers, pc, eflags...)
 memory state (stack, heap, data, etc.)

- scheduling information (number of cycles, last run time, etc.)
- ... and more!

#### **Context Switching**

- Processes are managed by the (memory-resident) kernel code
  - Important: the kernel code is not a separate process, but rather code and data structures that the OS uses to manage all processes
- Control flow passes from one process to another via a context switch





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- 2. Schedule next process for execution
- 3. Load saved registers and switch address space

## Multiprocessing: The (Modern) Reality



- Multicore processors
  - Multiple CPUs on single chip
  - Share main memory (and some of the caches)
  - Each can execute a separate process
    - Scheduling of processors onto cores done by kernel

## Process Life Cycle (Linux)



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### **Creating Processes**

• Parent process creates a new running child process by calling fork

- int fork (void)
  - Returns 0 to the child process, child's PID to parent process
  - Child is *almost* identical to parent:
    - Child gets an identical (but separate) copy of the parent's virtual address space.
    - Child gets identical copies of the parent's open file descriptors
    - Child has a different PID than the parent
- fork is interesting (and often confusing) because it is called once but returns twice

## fork Example

```
int main()
    pid_t pid;
int x = 1;
    pid = Fork();
    if (pid == 0) {
        /* Child */
        printf("child : x=%d\n", ++x);
        return 0;
    /* Parent */
    printf("parent: x=%d\n", --x);
    return 0;
                                   fork.c
```

What are the possible outputs?

• Call once, return twice

- Duplicate but separate address space
  - x has a value of 1 when fork returns in parent and child
  - Subsequent changes to x are independent
- Shared open files
  - stdout is the same in both parent and child

What if we want to fork a new/separate program?

## Modeling fork with Process Graphs

- A process graph is a useful tool for capturing the partial ordering of statements in a concurrent program:
  - Each vertex is the execution of a statement
  - a -> b means a happens before b
  - Edges can be labeled with current value of variables
  - printf vertices can be labeled with output
  - Each graph begins with a vertex with no inedges
- Any topological sort of the graph corresponds to a feasible total ordering.
  - Total ordering of vertices where all edges point from left to right

```
int main()
   pid t pid;
    int x = 1;
    pid = Fork();
    if (pid == 0) {
        /* Child */
        printf("child : x = \frac{d}{n}, +x);
        return 0;
    /* Parent */
    printf("parent: x=%d\n", --x);
    return 0;
```

main

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Child

Parent





#### Interpreting Process Graphs

• Original graph:



• Relabeled graph:



#### Practice with fork



Which of these outputs are feasible?

LOLOL1ByeByeL1ByeByeL1L1ByeByeByeBye

#### More practice with fork

• For each of the following programs, draw the process graph and then determine which of the possible outputs are feasible



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Which of these outputs are feasible
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.0	LO
.1	Вуе
Зуе	L1
Зуе	Bye
.2	Вуе
Зуе	L2





Which of these outputs are feasible?	LO	LO
	Вуе	Вуе
	L1	L1
	L2	Вуе
	Вуе	Вуе
	Bye	L2

## Process Life Cycle (Linux)



## Reaping Children

- Reaping
  - Performed by parent on terminated child (using wait or waitpid)
  - Parent is given exit status information
  - Kernel then deletes zombie child process
- int wait(int \*child\_status)
  - Suspends current process until one of its children terminates
  - Return value is the pid of the child process that terminated
  - If child\_status != NULL, then the integer it points to will be set to a value that indicates reason the child terminated and the exit status:
    - Checked using macros defined in wait.h
      - WIFEXITED, WEXITSTATIS, WIFSIGNALED, WTERMSIG, WIFSTOPPED, WSTOPSIG, WIFCONTINUED
      - See textbook for details

#### wait Example

```
void fork6() {
    int child_status;

if (fork() == 0) {
        printf("HC: hello from child\n");
        exit(0);
    }
    else {
        printf("HP: hello from parent\n");
        wait(&child_status);
        printf("CT: child has terminated\n");
    }
    printf("Bye\n");
}
```



Feasible output:	Infeasible output:
HC	HP
HP	СТ
СТ	Вуе
Bye	НС

## Reaping Children

- What if parent doesn't reap?
  - If any parent terminates without reaping a child, then the orphaned child will be reaped by init process (pid == 1)
  - So, only need explicit reaping in long-running processes
    - e.g., shells and servers

## Process Life Cycle (Linux)



### **Terminating Processes**

- Process becomes terminated for one of three reasons:
  - Returning from the main routine
  - Receiving a signal whose default action is to terminate
  - Calling the exit function
- void exit(int status)
  - Terminates with an exit status of status
  - Convention: normal return status is 0, nonzero on error
  - Another way to explicitly set the exit status is to return an integer value from the main routine
- exit is called once but never returns.

### Loading and Running Programs: execve

• What if we want to run a brand-new program?

int execve(char \*filename, char \*argv[], char \*envp[])

- Loads and runs in the current process:
  - Executable file filename: can be object file or script file (e.g., #!/bin/bash)
  - ...with argument list argv: by convention argv[0]==filename
  - ...and environment variable list envp: "name=value" strings (e.g., USER=droh)
- Overwrites code, data, and stack
  - Retains PID, open files and signal context
- Called once and never returns (unless there is an error)





## pstree

[ajcd2020@itbdcv-lnx04p ~]\$ pstree systemd—\_\_\_NetworkManager\_\_\_\_2\*[{NetworkManager}] -agetty -atd -auditd----{auditd} -bomblab-reportd -bomblab-request -bomblab-resultd -bomblab.pl -chronyd -clamd----{clamd} -crond -dbus-daemon----{dbus-daemon} firewalld----{firewalld} -freshclam —irqbalance——{irqbalance} —lsmd -mcelog -oddjobd \_\_polkitd\_\_\_\_11\*[{polkitd}] ---rhsmcertd -rsyslogd--2\*[{rsyslogd}] -salt-minion---salt-minion---salt-minion L-3\*[{salt-minion}] -2\*[sh-node-node-10\*[{node}]]  $L_{10*[{node}]}$ -smartd -sshd---sshd---bash---pstree -sssd---2\*[sssd be] -sssd nss

#### pstree

[ajcd2020@itbdcv-lnx04p ~]\$ pstree ajcd2020 bomblab-reportd

bomblab-request

bomblab-resultd

bomblab.pl

sshd—bash—pstree

systemd (sd-pam)