CS194-24
Advanced Operating Systems
Structures and Implementation
Lecture 1

What is an Operating System?

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Who am I?
- Professor John Kubiatowicz (Prof “Kubi”)
- Background in Hardware Design
  - Alewife project at MIT
  - Designed CMMU, Modified SPARC C processor
  - Helped to write operating system
- Background in Operating Systems
  - Worked for Project Athena (MIT)
    - OS Developer (device drivers, network file systems, video drivers)
  - Worked on Clustered High-Availability systems (CLAM Associates)
  - OS lead researcher for the Berkeley PARLab (Tessellation OS). More later.
    - OS lead for new SwarmLAB as well
- Peer-to-Peer
  - OceanStore project - Store your data for 1000 years
  - Tapestry and Bamboo - Find your data around globe
- Quantum Computing
  - Well, this is just cool, but probably not apropos

Goals for Today
- Why is writing an OS Interesting and Difficult?
- Class Format and Administrivia
- Why study Operating Systems?

Interactive is important!
Ask Questions!

Technology Trends: Moore’s Law

Gordon Moore (co-founder of Intel) predicted in 1965 that the transistor density of semiconductor chips would double roughly every 18 months.

Microprocessors have become smaller, denser, and more powerful.

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**Societal Scale Information Systems**

- The world is a large parallel system
  - Microprocessors in everything
  - Vast infrastructure behind them

**Internet Connectivity**

Scalable, Reliable, Secure Services

MEMS for Sensor Nets

- Databases
- Information Collection
- Remote Storage
- Online Games
- Commerce

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**People-to-Computer Ratio Over Time**

- Today: Multiple CPUs/person!
  - Approaching 100s?

From David Culler

**New Challenge: Slowdown in Joy's law of Performance**

- 25%/year 1978 to 1986
- 52%/year 1986 to 2002
- ??%/year 2002 to present


- 3X

**ManyCore Chips: The future is here**

- Intel 80-core multicore chip (Feb 2007)
  - 80 simple cores
  - Two FP-engines / core
  - Mesh-like network
  - 100 million transistors
  - 65nm feature size
  - 24 "tiles" with two cores/tile
  - 24-router mesh network
  - 4 DDR3 memory controllers
  - Hardware support for message-passing

- "ManyCore" refers to many processors/chip
  - 64? 128? Hard to say exact boundary

- How to program these?
  - Use 2 CPUs for video/audio
  - Use 1 for word processor, 1 for browser
  - 76 for virus checking???

- Parallelism must be exploited at all levels
Another Challenge: Power Density

- Moore's Law Extrapolation
  - Potential power density reaching amazing levels!
- Flip side: Battery life very important
  - Moore's law can yield more functionality at equivalent (or less) total energy consumption

Computer System Organization

- Computer-system operation
  - One or more CPUs, device controllers connect through common bus providing access to shared memory
  - Concurrent execution of CPUs and devices competing for memory cycles

Chip-scale features of SandyBridge

- Significant pieces:
  - Four OOO cores
    » New Advanced Vector eXtensions (256-bit FP)
    » AES instructions
    » Instructions to help with Galois-Field mult
    » 4 μ-ops/cycle
  - Integrated GPU
  - System Agent (Memory and Fast I/O)
  - Shared L3 cache divided in 4 banks
  - On-chip Ring bus network
    » Both coherent and non-coherent transactions
    » High-BW access to L3 Cache
- Integrated I/O
  - Integrated memory controller (IMC)
    » Two independent channels of DDR3 DRAM
  - High-speed PCI-Express (for Graphics cards)
  - DMI Connection to SouthBridge (PCH)

SandyBridge Pipeline all together
**SandyBridge GPU**

- 12 shader engines that operate at 1/3 CPU frequency
  - Each can generate 8 single-precision FP ops/cycle
  - 96 FP ops/GPU cycle ⇒ 109 gigaflops for CPU @ 3.4 GHz
- Fixed function units for common tasks
  - Texturing, vertex processing, rasterization, Z-buffering
- Multi-format codec engine
  - Video decoding for MPEG, VC1, and H.264 AVC up to 1080p
- Hardware video encoding

**SandyBridge I/O: PCH**

- Platform Controller Hub
  - "SouthBridge" but no "NorthBridge" now
  - Connected to processor with DMI bus
- Code name "Cougarmill" for SandyBridge processors
- Types of I/O on PCH:
  - USB
  - Ethernet
  - Audio
  - BIOS support
  - More PCI Express (lower speed than on Processor)
  - SATA (for Disks)

**SandyBridge System Configuration**

- Package: LGA 1155
  - 1155 pins
  - 95W design envelope
- Cache:
  - L1: 32K Inst, 32K Data (3 clock access)
  - L2: 256K (8 clock access)
  - Shared L3: 3MB - 20MB (not out yet)
- Transistor count:
  - 504 Million (2 cores, 3MB L3)
  - 2.27 Billion (8 cores, 20MB L3)
- Note that ring bus is on high metal layers - above the Shared L3 Cache

**Sample of Computer Architecture Topics**

- Instruction Set Architecture
  - Pipelining, Hazard Resolution, Superscalar, Reordering, Prediction, Speculation, Vector, Dynamic Compilation
- Addressing, Protection, Exception Handling
- DRAM, Coherence, Bandwidth, Latency
- RAID, Emerging Technologies, Interleaving Bus protocols
- Network Communication, Pipelining and Instruction Level Parallelism
- Memory Hierarchy, VLSI, Other Processors
- Input/Output and Storage
  - Disks, WORM, Tape
**Storage Capacity**


**Network Capacity**


**Increasing Software Complexity**

- Every piece of computer hardware different
  - Different CPU
    - Pentium, PowerPC, ColdFire, ARM, MIPS
  - Different amounts of memory, disk, ...
  - Different types of devices
    - Mice, Keyboards, Sensors, Cameras, Fingerprint readers
  - Different networking environment
    - Cable, DSL, Wireless, Firewalls, ...

- Questions:
  - Does the programmer need to write a single program that performs many independent activities?
  - Does every program have to be altered for every piece of hardware?
  - Does a faulty program crash everything?
  - Does every program have access to all hardware?

*From MIT's 6.033 course*
OS Tool: Virtual Machine Abstraction

Application

Virtual Machine Interface

Operating System

Physical Machine Interface

Hardware

• Software Engineering Problem:
  - Turn hardware/software quirks ⇒ what programmers want/need
  - Optimize for convenience, utilization, security, reliability, etc...
• For Any OS area (e.g. file systems, virtual memory, networking, scheduling):
  - What’s the hardware interface? (physical reality)
  - What’s the application interface? (nicer abstraction)

Interfaces Provide Important Boundaries

• Why do interfaces look the way that they do?
  - History, Functionality, Stupidity, Bugs, Management
  - CS152 ⇒ Machine interface
  - CS160 ⇒ Human interface
  - CS169 ⇒ Software engineering/management
• Should responsibilities be pushed across boundaries?
  - RISC architectures, Graphical Pipeline Architectures

Virtual Machines

• Software emulation of an abstract machine
  - Make it look like hardware has features you want
  - Programs from one hardware & OS on another one
• Programming simplicity
  - Each process thinks it has all memory/CPU time
  - Each process thinks it owns all devices
  - Different Devices appear to have same interface
  - Device Interfaces more powerful than raw hardware
    » Bitmapped display ⇒ windowing system
    » Ethernet card ⇒ reliable, ordered, networking (TCP/IP)
• Fault Isolation
  - Processes unable to directly impact other processes
  - Bugs cannot crash whole machine
• Protection and Portability
  - Stability of POSIX interface between systems
  - Limits to what Users programs are allowed to do

Virtual Machines (con't): Layers of OSs

• Useful for OS development
  - When OS crashes, restricted to one VM
  - Can aid testing programs on other OSs
Course Administration

- Instructor: John Kubiatowicz (kubitron@cs.berkeley.edu)
  673 Soda Hall
  Office Hours (Tentative): M/W 2:30pm-3:30pm
- TA: Palmer Dabbelt
- Labs: Second floor of Soda Hall
- Website: http://inst.eecs.berkeley.edu/~cs194-24
  Mirror: http://www.cs.berkeley.edu/~kubitron/cs194-24
- Webcast: http://webcast.berkeley.edu/courses/index.php
- Newsgroup: We are using Piazza this term.
  This is an experiment, so give us a bit of slack...
- Course Email: cs194-24@cory.cs.berkeley.edu

Class Schedule

- Class Time: M/W 4:00-5:30 PM, 3106 Etcheverry
  - Please come to class. Lecture notes do not have everything in
  - Also: 10% of the grade is from class participation (section
  - Sections:
    - Important information is in the sections
    - The sections assigned to you by Telebears are temporary!
    - Every member of a project group must be in same section
    - Go to either section this week and next (until groups are

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Textbooks - Many!

- We will be using a number of different books
  - Hard to find any one text that has everything we want
  - In fact, will event be supplementing with research papers!

- Sources for these books: All electronic?
  - On Information page of website, I've highlighted sources
    for each of the books
  » Consider electronic versions from Amazon and the Pragmatic
    Programmer for first three books (with PC/Mac Kindle app)
  » Use Safari-Online for remaining books (all O'Reilly books
    available this way)
  - Alternatively, first three books should be available from
    the Berkeley Bookstore

Textbooks

- Text #1: Linux Kernel Development
  3rd Edition, Robert Love
  - Text on the structure of Linux 2.6.xx Kernel
  - Discusses Practical Aspects of implementation
  - Need 3rd Edition? Yes! 2.6 Kernel
  - Best Source: Amazon Kindle version?
    Kindle app for PC or MAC is quite good

- Text #2: The Cucumber Book
  Matt Wynne and Aslak Hellesøy
  - Text on the Cucumber Language for testing.
  - We will be using Test-Driven Development for our laboratory projects
  - Best Source: Directly from Publisher?
    Can get ebook version - Directly load into Kindle Application
Textbooks (con't)

- Yes, you used this in CS162, but we will be covering some aspects in more depth
- Online supplements
  - See "Information" link on course website
  - Includes Appendices, sample problems, etc
- Best source for book: Amazon Kindle version?
  - Can also RENT ebook for period of time
- Question: need 9th edition?
  - No, but has new material that we will cover
  - Especially sections on Virtual Machines
  - If already have 8th edition, could potentially rent 9th edition for end of term

Textbook (Supplemental)
Available online on Berkeley Campus

- Text #4: Understanding the Linux Kernel
  - 3rd Edition, Daniel P. Bovet, Marco Cesati
  - Available from Safari-Online, Link on Homepage

- Text #5: Linux Device Drivers
  - Available from Safari-Online, Link on Homepage

- Text #6: Understanding Linux Network Internals
  - 1st Edition, Christian Benvenuti
  - Available from Safari-Online, Link on Homepage

Topic Coverage


- 1.5 weeks: Fundamentals (Operating Systems Structures), Testing, and Linux Structure
- 0.5 weeks: x86 Architecture
- 2 weeks: Processes, Synchronization, and Scheduling
- 1 week: Memory Management/Demand Paging
- 1.5 weeks: I/O and Device Drivers Structure
- 1.5 weeks: Networking Subsystem
- 1.5 weeks: File Systems, VFS, and Distributed Storage
- 1.5 week: Protection and Security
- 1 week: Virtual Machines
- ??: Advanced topics

Grading

- Rough Grade Breakdown
  - One Midterm: 25% each (Perhaps 2?)
  - One Final: 25%
  - Five Projects: 45% (5%, 10%, 10%, 10%, 10%)
  - Participation: 5%
- Five Projects: Still under development
  - Project 0: Getting Started (Done Individually)
  - Project 1: Web Browser with QoS
  - Project 2: Realtime Scheduler
  - Project 3: USB Device Driver
  - Project 4: Network File System
- Late Policy:
  - Each group has 5 "slip" days.
    - Slip Days only for Code/Final Document, NOT design
  - For Projects, slip days deducted from all partners
  - 10% off per day after slip days exhausted
Group Project Simulates Industrial Environment

- Project teams have 4 or 5 members in same discussion section
  - Must work in groups in “the real world”
- Communicate with colleagues (team members)
  - Communication problems are natural
  - What have you done?
  - What answers you need from others?
  - You must document your work!!!
  - Everyone must keep an on-line notebook
- Communicate with supervisor (TAs)
  - How is the team’s plan?
  - Short progress reports are required:
    » What is the team’s game plan?
    » What is each member’s responsibility?

Typical Lecture Format

- 1-Minute Review
- 20-Minute Lecture
- 5-Minute Administrative Matters
- 25-Minute Lecture
- 5-Minute Break (water, stretch)
- 25-Minute Lecture
- Instructor will come to class early & stay after to answer questions

Lecture Goal

Interactive!!!

How to work on OSes easily?

- Traditional:
  - Sit at serial console,
  - Upload new OS image somehow
  - Reboot and possibly crash (“Panic”)
  - Debug with very limited tools
- How we will do it in this class: Virtual Machines!
- In fact - Nested Virtual Machines:
Test-Driven Development

- We are going to use a Test-Driven Development process for our projects. According to Wikipedia:
  - “Test-driven development (TDD) is a software development process that relies on the repetition of a very short development cycle:
    - first the developer writes an (initially failing) automated test case that defines a desired improvement or new function,
    - then produces the minimum amount of code to pass that test, and
    - finally refactors the new code to acceptable standards.
  - We are going to be writing tests in Cucumber which specify desired behavior.
  - You will be one of the first to do this for testing changes to an OS!

Computing Facilities

- This class is best taken with a late-model laptop
  - Looking for an x86 with Vt-x extensions
  - Will be working in a VMWare virtual machine
  - Should be able to use Windows, Mac-OS, or Linux
- Machines in 277 Soda are also available
  - However, use of these machines more difficult
  - Not quite configured
- Also, should have a USB key with 8GB storage
  - Will be building a bootable image later in term
- Every student who is enrolled should get an account form at end of lecture
  - Gives you an account of form cs162-xx@cory
  - This account gives you access to Instructional machines as well as the Redmine Development server

Course Resources

- “Laboratory” Link has important information about projects. Need to start “Project 0” immediately!
  - Go to VMWare website to get 30-day license for either VMWare Workstation (Windows or Linux) or VMWare Fusion (Apple MAC).
    » Course Licenses next week
  - Virtual Machine image off “Laboratory” link in .zip form
    » Should probably go down to 277 Soda and make hard-link connection when downloading (1.6 GB even compressed!)
- Redmine project development site
  - We are using a Redmine project development site for all resource control, bug tracking, etc
  - Your course account gives you access to the server
    » Log in right away and update your name/email
    » Generate an ssh key and upload that to the server
    » Remote access to git repositories.

Course Resources (Continued)

- Development via git repositories
  - Every student gets private Redmine “Project” with associated repository. Think of this as your personal storage. Use for Project 0 and your own work later
  - Every Group will get Redmine “Project” and git repo to do Projects 1-4.
- Redmine also has facilities for Bug tracking
  - Will post bugs and resolutions for Labs as neces
  - Will be encouraging you to use these facilities for intra-group communication
  - Also has Forums which can be used for intra-group communication
- Piazza site for course announcements and Student/Staff communication
  - I’ve entered everyone’s email as of this morning (so that it will send out invitations)
  - Please respond to invitations and/or sign up yourself
Academic Dishonesty Policy

- Copying all or part of another person's work, or using reference material not specifically allowed, are forms of cheating and will not be tolerated. A student involved in an incident of cheating will be notified by the instructor and the following policy will apply:
  http://www.eecs.berkeley.edu/Policies/acad.dis.shtml
- The instructor may take actions such as:
  - require repetition of the subject work,
  - assign an F grade or a 'zero' grade to the subject work,
  - for serious offenses, assign an F grade for the course.
- The instructor must inform the student and the Department Chair in writing of the incident, the action taken, if any, and the student’s right to appeal to the Chair of the Department Grievance Committee or to the Director of the Office of Student Conduct.
- The Office of Student Conduct may choose to conduct a formal hearing on the incident and to assess a penalty for misconduct.
- The Department will recommend that students involved in a second incident of cheating be dismissed from the University.

What does an Operating System do?

- Silberschatz and Gavin:
  "An OS is Similar to a government"
  - Begs the question: does a government do anything useful by itself?
- Coordinator and Traffic Cop:
  - Manages all resources
  - Settles conflicting requests for resources
  - Prevent errors and improper use of the computer
- Facilitator:
  - Provides facilities that everyone needs
  - Standard Libraries, Windowing systems
  - Make application programming easier, faster, less error-prone
- Some features reflect both tasks:
  - E.g. File system is needed by everyone (Facilitator)
  - But File system must be Protected (Traffic Cop)

What is an Operating System, ... Really?

- Most Likely:
  - Memory Management
  - I/O Management
  - CPU Scheduling
  - Communications? (Does Email belong in OS?)
  - Multitasking/multiprogramming?
- What about?
  - File System?
  - Multimedia Support?
  - User Interface?
  - Internet Browser? 😊
- Is this only interesting to Academics??

Operating System Definition (Cont.)

- No universally accepted definition
- "Everything a vendor ships when you order an operating system" is good approximation
  - But varies wildly
- "The one program running at all times on the computer" is the kernel.
  - Everything else is either a system program (ships with the operating system) or an application program
Example: Protecting Processes from Each Other

- Problem: Run multiple applications in such a way that they are protected from one another
- Goal:
  - Keep User Programs from Crashing OS
  - Keep User Programs from Crashing each other
  - [Keep Parts of OS from crashing other parts?]
- (Some of the required) Mechanisms:
  - Address Translation
  - Dual Mode Operation
- Simple Policy:
  - Programs are not allowed to read/write memory of other Programs or of Operating System

Address Translation

- Address Space
  - A group of memory addresses usable by something
  - Each program (process) and kernel has potentially different address spaces.
- Address Translation:
  - Translate from Virtual Addresses (emitted by CPU) into Physical Addresses (of memory)
  - Mapping often performed in Hardware by Memory Management Unit (MMU)

Example of Address Translation

Translation Map 1
Translation Map 2

Address Translation Details

- For now, assume translation happens with table (called a Page Table):
- Translation helps protection:
  - Control translations, control access
  - Should Users be able to change Page Table???
**Dual Mode Operation**

- **Hardware** provides at least two modes:
  - "Kernel" mode (or "supervisor" or "protected")
  - "User" mode: Normal programs executed
- Some instructions/ops prohibited in user mode:
  - Example: cannot modify page tables in user mode
    » Attempt to modify \( \Rightarrow \) Exception generated
- Transitions from user mode to kernel mode:
  - System Calls, Interrupts, Other exceptions

**UNIX System Structure**

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<td>Applications</td>
<td>(the users)</td>
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<td>Standard Libs</td>
<td>shells and commands, compilers and interpreters, system libraries</td>
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<td>Kernel Interface to the kernel</td>
<td>Signals, terminal handling, character I/O system terminal drivers, file system, swapping block I/O system, disk and tape drivers, CPU scheduling, page replacement, demand paging, virtual memory</td>
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<td>device controllers, disks and tapes</td>
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<td>memory controllers, physical memory</td>
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**Examples**

- **eWallpaper**:
  - Real-Time scheduling of resources
  - Secure loading of code
  - Privacy maintenance of collected information, communication
- **Teleconference on nearest wall**:
  - Automatic location of resources
    » Display, Microphone, Camera, Routers
    » Resources for transcoding, audio transcription
    » Positional tracking
  - QoS-guaranteed network path to other side
- **UnPad**:
  - Resource location and allocation
    » Displays, Microphones, Cameras, etc
  - High-performance streaming of data from the network
- **ID-Based personalization**
  » RFID, Cellphone connection, other methods for root keys
  » Targeted advertisement, personalized focus on
- **Deep archival storage** \( \Rightarrow \) permanent digital history of activity

**Meeting the needs of the Swarm**

- **Personal Swarm**
- **Metropolitan Middleware**
- **Cloud Services**

- **Support for the Swarm**:
  - Discover and Manage resource
  - Integrate sensors, portable devices, cloud components
  - Guarantee responsiveness, real-time behavior, throughput
  - Self-adapt to adjust for failure and provide performance predictability
  - Secure, high-performance, durable, available data
New Structures for Multicore chips?  
Tessellation: The Exploded OS

- Normal Components split into pieces
  - Device drivers (Security/Reliability)
  - Network Services (Performance)
    - TCP/IP stack
    - Firewall
    - Virus Checking
    - Intrusion Detection
  - Persistent Storage (Performance, Security, Reliability)
  - Monitoring services
    - Performance counters
    - Introspection
  - Identity/Environment services (Security)
    - Biometric, GPS, Possession Tracking
- Applications Given Larger Partitions
  - Freedom to use resources arbitrarily

OS Systems Principles

- OS as illusionist:
  - Make hardware limitations go away
  - Provide illusion of dedicated machine with infinite memory and infinite processors
- OS as government:
  - Protect users from each other
  - Allocate resources efficiently and fairly
- OS as complex system:
  - Constant tension between simplicity and functionality or performance
- OS as history teacher:
  - Learn from past
  - Adapt as hardware tradeoffs change

Why Study Operating Systems?

- Learn how to build complex systems:
  - How can you manage complexity for future projects?
- Engineering issues:
  - Why is the web so slow sometimes? Can you fix it?
  - What features should be in the next Mars Rover?
  - How do large distributed systems work? (Kazaa, etc)
- Buying and using a personal computer:
  - Why different PCs with same CPU behave differently
  - How to choose a processor (Opteron, Itanium, Celeron, Pentium, Hexium)? [Ok, made last one up]
  - Should you get Windows XP, 2000, Linux, Mac OS ...?
  - Why does Microsoft have such a bad name?
- Business issues:
  - Should your division buy thin-clients vs PC?
- Security, viruses, and worms
  - What exposure do you have to worry about?

“In conclusion…”

- Operating systems provide a virtual machine abstraction to handle diverse hardware
- Operating systems coordinate resources and protect users from each other
- Operating systems simplify application development by providing standard services
- Operating systems can provide an array of fault containment, fault tolerance, and fault recovery
- CS194-24 combines things from many other areas of computer science
  - Languages, data structures, hardware, and algorithms
- CS194-24 also introduces you to real code development:
  - Test-Driven Development, GDB, Source Control, Real implementation in Linux code base!