

# **Operating Systems**

Process and OS

Fall 2020



- To Students whom were absent in meeting:
- I am available at 13 to 14 today. The link will be shared in the group.
- Please join and then we can meet!

- Quiz is after class.
- 11:50 to 12:30.
- 10 minutes time to answer.



#### Process: an Abstraction

- Informally, a running program.
- Is a lifeless thing: a bunch of instructions (maybe data) on the disk
- Waiting to be brought into action.
- Ready, Running, Waiting.

- Load instruction and data segments of executable file into memory
- Create stack and heap
- Transfer control to program
- Provide services to program
- While protecting everything

• Will be discussed in Memory Management session.

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                                                  double myList[3] = \{1.2, 2.3, 3.4\};
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                                                  printf("double your salary is %.3f\n",
                                                multiplyByTwo(salary));
  double twice = input * 2.0;
  return twice;
                                                  return 0;
                                                 }
int main (int argc, char *argv[])
 int age = 30;
  double salary = 12345.67;
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#include <stdlib.h>
                                                                  myList[1] = 2.3;
                                                                  myList[2] = 3.4;
double *multiplyByTwo (double *input) {
 double *twice = malloc(sizeof(double));
                                                                  double *twiceSalary = multiplyByTwo(salary);
 *twice = *input * 2.0;
  return twice;
                                                                  printf("double your salary is %.3f\n", *twiceSalary);
                                                                  free(age);
int main (int argc, char *argv[])
                                                                  free(salary);
                                                                  free(myList);
{
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                                                                  free(twiceSalary);
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```

#### Stack

- don't have to explicitly de-allocate variables
- space is managed efficiently by CPU, memory will not become fragmented
- local variables only
- limit on stack size (OS-dependent)
- variables cannot be resized

#### Heap

- variables can be accessed globally
- no limit on memory size
- no guaranteed efficient use of space, memory may become fragmented over time as blocks of memory are allocated, then freed
- you must manage memory (you're in charge of allocating and freeing variables)
- variables can be resized using realloc()

#### Run Program: 1



#### Run Program: 2 Fetch/Decode/Execute



### Run Program: 3 Steps

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

### Context-Switching





### **Illusion of Multiple Processors**

- Assume a single processor. How do we provide the illusion of multiple processors?
  - Multiplex in time!
- Each virtual "CPU" needs a structure to hold:
  - Program Counter (PC), Stack Pointer (SP)
  - Registers (Integer, Floating point, others...?)
- How switch from one virtual CPU to the next?
  - Save PC, SP, and registers in current state block
  - Load PC, SP, and registers from new state block
- What triggers switch?
  - Timer, voluntary yield, I/O, other things

#### Illusion of Multiple Processors





#### **State Transitions**

- Running: A process is running on a processor. It is executing the instructions.
- Ready: A process is ready to run but for some reason OS has chosen not to run it in this moment.
- Blocked: A process has requested some kind of operations (e.g. I/O) that makes it not ready to run until some other events take place.



#### **Process Structure**

```
// the different states a process can be in
                      enum proc_state { UNUSED, EMBRYO, SLEEPING,
                                        RUNNABLE, RUNNING, ZOMBIE };
                      // the information xv6 tracks about each process
                      // including its register context and state
                      struct proc {
                        char *mem;
                                                    // Start of process memory
                                                    // Size of process memory
                        uint sz;
                                                    // Bottom of kernel stack
                        char *kstack;
                                                    // for this process
                        enum proc_state state;
                                                    // Process state
It is Unique for each proc
                        int pid;
                                                    // Process ID
                        struct proc *parent; // Parent process
                        void *chan;
                                                    // If non-zero, sleeping on chan
                        int killed;
                                                    // If non-zero, have been killed
                        struct file *ofile[NOFILE]; // Open files
                        struct inode *cwd;
                                              // Current directory
                        struct context context; // Switch here to run process
                        struct trapframe *tf;
                                                    // Trap frame for the
                                                    // current interrupt
                      };
```

Process struct in Xv6

#### Process API

- Create
- Destroy
- Wait
- Other controls
- Status

#### How to create?



- Fork is a system-call for creating new process.
- Exact copy of current process with different PID.
- Returns an integer:
  - > 0: running in the context of (original process) parent.
  - = 0: running in the context of (new process) child.
  - < 0: Error! running in the context of original process.

#### Fork!

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main (int argc, char *argv[])
   printf("Hello World! My pid is: %d\n", getpid());
    int r = fork();
   if (r < 0){
       printf("fork failed!\n");
       exit(1);
    } else if (r == 0){
       printf("Hello World, I am child process. My pid is: %d\n", getpid());
    } else{
       // Parent Process
       printf("I am parent of %d. pid is: %d\n", r, getpid());
    }
   return 0;
```

Hello World! My pid is: 389 I am parent of 390. pid is: 389 Hello World, I am child process. My pid is: 390

#### Fork and Wait

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
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```

```
int main (int argc, char *argv[])
```

```
printf("Hello World! My pid is: %d\n", getpid());
```

```
int r = fork();
```

```
if (r < 0){
    printf("fork failed!\n");
    exit(1);
} else if (r == 0){
    // Child Process
    printf("Hello World, I am child process. My pid is: %d\n", getpid());</pre>
```

```
} else{
    // Parent Process
    int w = wait(NULL);
    printf("I am parent of %d. pid is: %d\n", r, getpid());
}
```

```
return 0;
```

Hello World! My pid is: 494 Hello World, I am child process. My pid is: 495 I am parent of 495. pid is: 494

#### Fork and Wait and Exec

```
} else if (r == 0){
    // Child Process
    printf("Hello World, I am child process. My pid is: %d\n", getpid());
    char *my_args[3];
    my_args[0] = strdup("./script.sh");
    my_args[1] = strdup("Hello from Bash!");
    my_args[2] = NULL; // Indicating end of array
    execvp(my_args[0], my_args);
```

// CHILD process will be terminated before this line!
printf("This should not be printed");

Hello World! My pid is: 102 Hello World, I am child process. My pid is: 103 running bash... Hello from Bash! I am parent of 103. pid is: 102

#### Process Management

• ps aux | grep process\_name

- ps -p process\_id
- pstree // list tree view of processes
- ls -la /proc/3956/

#### Process Management

• top

Updates frequently the information of running processes.

Poor Processes

Zombie

### Orphan

- A process whose parent process no more exists Fetch Instruction at PC
- Either finished or terminated without waiting for its child
- The orphan process is soon adopted by init process, once its parent process dies.

#### Orphan

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main()
{
   // Create a child process
   int pid = fork();
   if (pid > 0)
        printf("in parent process");
   // Note that pid is 0 in child process
   // and negative if fork() fails
    else if (pid == 0)
    {
        sleep(30);
        printf("in child process");
    }
   return 0;
```

- When a process ends, all of the memory and resources associated with it are deallocated so they can be used by other processes.
- However, the process's entry in the process table remains.
- The zombie processes can be removed from the system by sending the SIGCHLD signal to the parent, using the kill command. If the zombie process is still not eliminated from the process table by the parent process, then the parent process is terminated if that is acceptable.
- The zombie's process ID and entry in the process table can then be reused.
- However, if a parent ignores the SIGCHLD, the zombie will be left in the process table.

#### Zombie

```
// A C program to demonstrate Zombie Process.
// Child becomes Zombie as parent is sleeping
// when child process exits.
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main()
{
   // Fork returns process id
   // in parent process
    pid t child pid = fork();
    // Parent process
    if (child pid > 0)
        sleep(50);
    // Child process
    else
        exit(0);
    return 0;
}
```

#### What does a zombie look like?

#### •normal (no zombie)

#### \$ ps

PID TTYTIME CMD1074 pts/200:00:00 bash1280 pts/200:00:00 parentTest.exe1281 pts/200:00:00 childTest.exe1283 pts/200:00:00 ps

## •abnormal (zombie) \$ ps

PID TTY	TIME CMD
1074 pts/2	00:00:00 bash
1280 pts/2	00:00:00 parentTest.exe
1281 pts/2	00:00:00 childTest.exe <defunct></defunct>
1288 pts/2	00:00:00 ps



#### What does a zombie look like?

\$ ps -1

 F S
 UID
 PID
 PPID
 C PRI
 NI ADDR
 SZ
 WCHAN TTY
 TIME CMD

 000 S
 561
 1074
 1073
 0
 76
 0
 628
 11a418
 pts/2
 00:00:00
 bash

 000 S
 561
 1301
 1074
 0
 70
 0
 436
 11f22b
 pts/2
 00:00:00
 parentTes

 004 Z
 561
 1302
 1301
 0
 70
 0
 0
 119ffb
 pts/2
 00:00:00
 childTest

 000 R
 561
 1320
 1074
 0
 77
 0
 646
 pts/2
 00:00:00
 ps



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