

OPERATING SYSTEMS

LECTURE #1: BASIC CONCEPTS OF O/S

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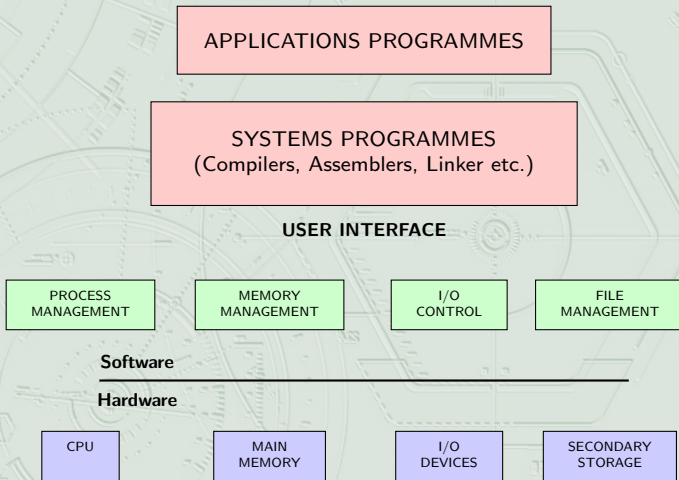
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Hardware is the term used to describe all the physical electronic and mechanical elements forming part of a computer system. Provides basic computing resources (CPU, memory, I/O devices)

Software is the term used to describe the instructions or programs that the hardware needs in order to function.

Operating system controls and coordinates the use of the hardware among the various application programmes for various users

Applications programmes define the ways in which the system resources are used to solve the computing problems of the users (compilers, database systems, video games, business programmes, etc.)

Users (people, machines, other computers)



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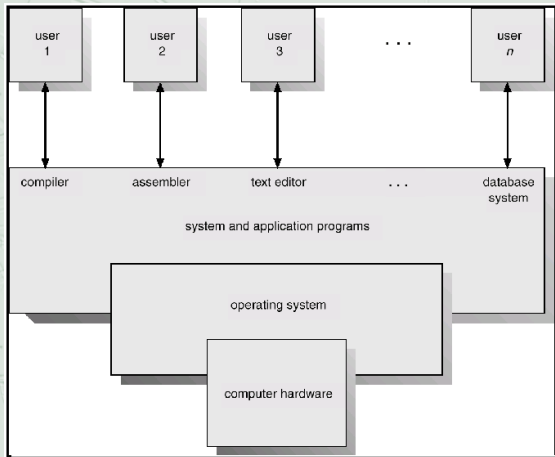
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Resource allocator manages and allocates resources

Control programme controls the execution of user programs and operations of I/O devices

— **Kernel** the one programme running at all times (all else being application programmes)



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- O/S definition
 - O/S is a piece of software that controls every file, every device, every section of main memory and every nanosecond processing time

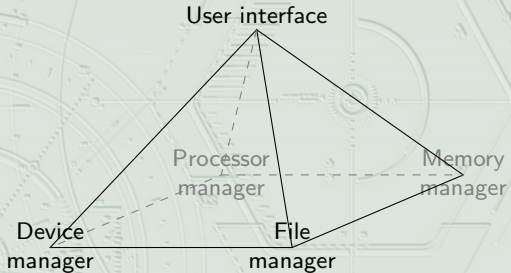


Figure : Model of an operating system showing four sub-system managers supporting the user interface



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Memory manager is in charge of main memory (RAM) in terms of checking validity of each request for memory space

Processor manager keeps track of status of each process

Device manager monitors devices channels and control units and decides the most efficient way to allocate the devices

File manager keeps track of every file



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TYPES OF O/S



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- O/S classification
 - Single user
 - Multiple tasks
 - Batch systems
 - Real-time systems
 - Hybrid systems
 - Embedded systems



Single user O/S

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- Provides capability to perform tasks on the computer system such as writing programmes and documents, printing and accessing files
- Provides access to the computer system by a single user at a time, e.g. typical home computers
- Most Windows are single user operating systems

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- A multi-tasking operating system provides the ability to run more than one programme at a time, e.g. word processing, printing a document, copying files to a flash memory stick. Each of the tasks the user is performing appears to be running at the same time.
- A multi-tasking operating system has the **advantage** of letting the user run more than one task at a time so as to increase productivity.
- The **disadvantage** is that the more programmes that are run by the user, the more memory that is required.



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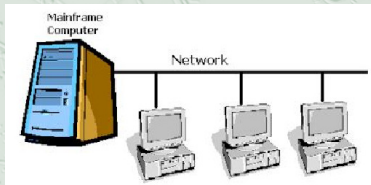
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- Manage and run all user requests, ensuring they do not interfere with each other, e.g. printer queue
- Allow more than one user to access the computer system at a time, normally via a network, e.g. Unix
- Much more complex single-user operating system





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- To manage the computer system, users, printers, files and write programmes, the operating system is generally provided with a number of utility programmes. The utilities are used for:
 - Managing files and documents
 - Development of programmes and software
 - Communicating between people and with other computer systems
 - Managing user requirements for programmes, storage space and priority

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- The operating system provides each user with an interface that accepts, interprets and executes user commands or programmes
- This interface is commonly called a SHELL or Command Line Interpreter (CLI)
- In some systems this might be a simple text mode line-by-line entry using keywords (such as DOS or UNIX)
- In other systems it might be highly graphical using windows and pointing device such as a mouse (such as Windows)

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Migration of O/S features

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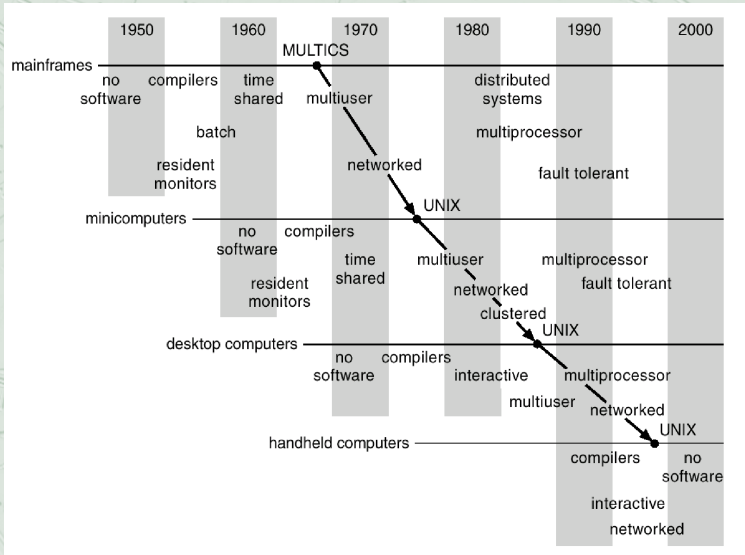
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Some O/S products

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- Typical operating systems include:
 - Unix/Linux
 - Windows 3.x/9x/NT/2000/XP/Vista/7
 - Mac OS
 - Windows Mobile
 - Symbian
 - DOS
 - VMS





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- A CPU consists of two sections
 - 1 Computational section
 - 2 Control section

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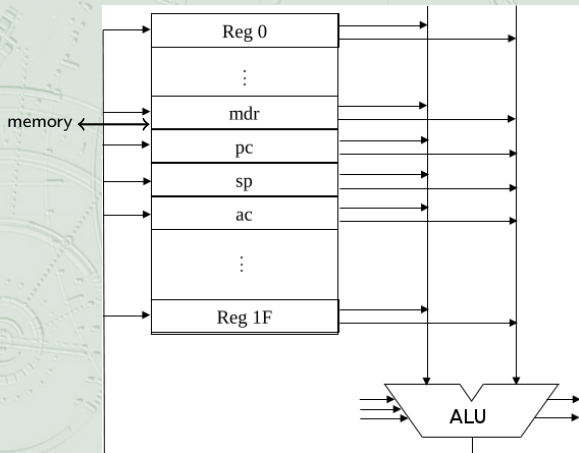
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- Computational section
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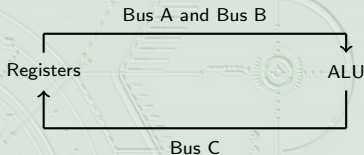
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- ALU (arithmetic logic unit)
 - Performing arithmetic, shifting, logical AND, complementation, bypass operations
 - Datapath:



- Control “tell” the ALU which operation to perform
- *S*: the sign bit of the output
- *Z*: bitwise NOT-OR of output (i.e. $Z = 1$ when all output bits are 0)

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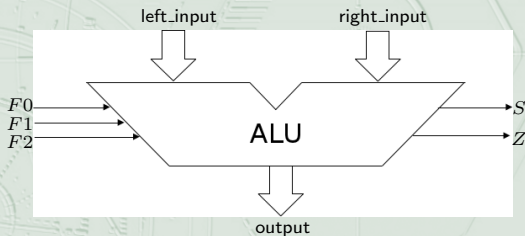
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- ALU is the heart of a CPU
 - It is where computation carries out
 - It performs shift and addition (consists of shifters and adders)
 - It performs arithmetic, logical and shifting operations





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$F0$	$F1$	$F2$	Output
0	0	0	left_input
0	0	1	bitwise complement of left_input
0	1	0	AND
0	1	1	multiplication
1	0	0	addition
1	0	1	subtraction
1	1	0	left shift left_input one position
1	1	1	right shift left_input one position



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- Tasks and registers
 - *mask* to obtain specific part of data
 - *read* from or *write* to memory
 - *keep track* of current position of the execution of a programme
 - temporarily store an instruction of a programme
 - store intermedium results
 - store stack position

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- Mask registers
 - Registers 0 to 4 contain constants for the purpose of mask

Reg	contents	name
0	0000	
1	0001	
2	0FFF	Xmask
3	00FF	Ymask
4	000F	Zmask

- Mask is performed by using bitwise AND
- They are read-only registers

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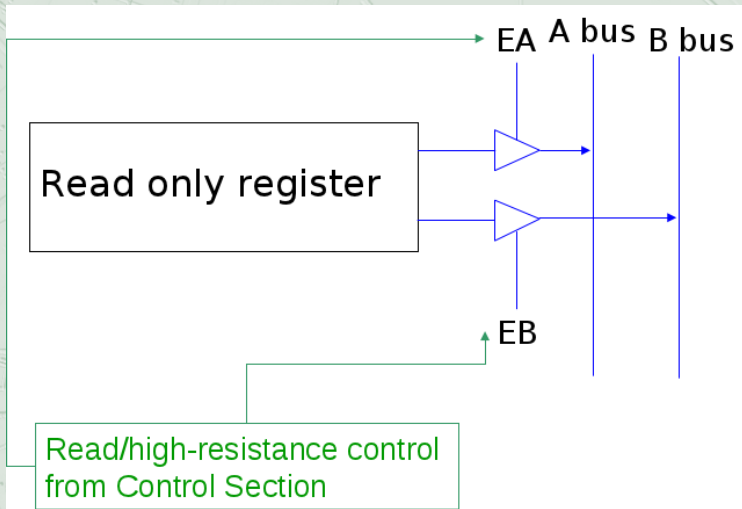
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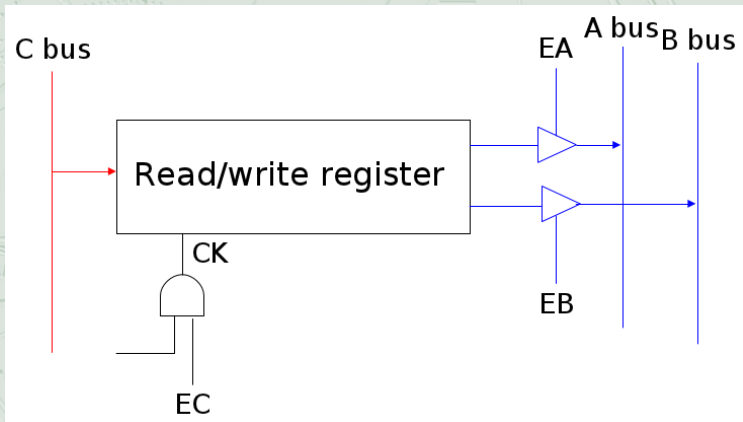
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- Accumulation register (ac)
 - register-to-register operations save intermediate results to this general purpose register
 - read and write register



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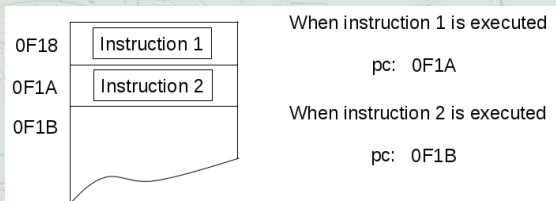
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- Program counter register (pc)
 - Storing the memory address of the next instruction of a program so that it functions like a pointer (or a bookmark)
 - Read and write register





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- Stack pointer register (sp)
 - local variables and parameters are stored in the stack
 - sp gives the current position of stack
 - read and write register

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- Memory data register (mdr)
 - CPU reads data from memory and temporarily saves the data to this register (it is also known as memory buffer register)
 - When CPU writes data to memory, it also temporarily saves data in this register
 - read and write register
- Memory address register (mar)
 - storing memory address where CPU will either read data from the addressed memory cell or write data to the memory cell
 - read and write register

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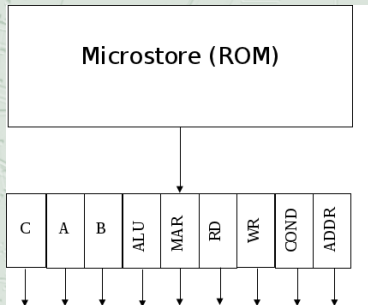
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- Control Section
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- Controls

- A B and C generate EA, EB, and EC signals, respectively
- ALU generates F0, F1, and F2 control signals for ALU
- MAR generates EC signal for mar
- RD generates read signal to set memory to such a state the CPU can read data from the memory
- WR generates write signal to set memory to such a state that CPU can write data to the memory
- COND generates two control signals for a so-called branch multiplexer which has 4 inputs: 0, 1, Z, and S
- Mircostore is a ROM that consists of a number of micro-instructions, each of which has an address field called ADDR