

IT 307: Operating Systems

(Elective)

Credits: 3
Lecture Hours:48

Course Objectives

This module aims to provide the concepts of Operating Systems and Implementation of Systems Utilities for Inter-process communication in a multiprocessor environment.

Course Description

Overview, Process Management, Scheduling, Basic Synchronization principles, Memory Management, File Management, Protection and Security, Device Management

Detailed Course

Unit 1: Overview

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- 1.1 Introduction
- 1.2 System Structures
- 1.3 The abstract Model of computing
- 1.4 Resources: files
- 1.5 Processes: Creating Processes (using C functions: FORK, JOIN, and QUIT,)
- 1.6 Threads: C threads

Unit 2: Process Management

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- 2.1 The system view of processes and resources
- 2.2 Initializing the Operating System
- 2.3 Process address spaces
 - 2.3.1 Creating the address space
 - 2.3.2 Loading the program
 - 2.3.3 Maintaining consistency in the address space
- 2.4 The process abstraction
 - 2.4.1 Process descriptors
 - 2.4.2 Process state diagram
- 2.5 The resource abstraction
- 2.6 Process hierarchy
 - 2.6.1 Refining the process manager
 - 2.6.2 Specializing resource allocation strategies

Unit 3: Scheduling

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- 3.1 Scheduling Mechanisms
 - 3.1.1 The process scheduler organization
 - 3.1.2 Saving the process context
 - 3.1.3 Voluntary CPU Sharing
 - 3.1.4 Involuntary CPU Sharing
 - 3.1.5 Performance

- 3.3 Strategy Selection
 - 3.1.1 Partitioning s process into small processes
- 3.4 Nonpreemptive Strategies
 - 3.1.1 First come first served
 - 3.1.2 Shortest Job next
 - 3.1.3 Priority Scheduling
 - 3.1.4 Deadline scheduling
- 3.5 Preemptive strategies
 - 3.1.1 Round robin
 - 3.1.2 Multiple-level queues
 - 3.1.3 Monitors

Unit 4: Basic Synchronization principles

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- 4.1 Interacting processes
 - 4.1.1 Critical Sections
 - 4.1.2. Deadlock
- 4.2 Coordinating processes
- Semaphores
 - 4.2.1 Principles of operation
 - Practical considerations

Unit 5: Memory Management

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- 5.1 The Basics
 - 5.1.1 Requirements on the primary memory
 - 5.1.2 Mapping the address space to primary memory
 - 5.1.3 Dynamic memory for data structures
- 5.2 Memory Allocation
 - 5.2.1 Fixed-partition memory strategies
 - 5.2.2 Variable-partition memory strategies
 - 5.2.3 Contemporary Allocation Strategies
- 5.3 Dynamic Address Resolution
 - 5.3.1 Runtime bound Checking
- 5.4 Memory Manager Strategies
 - 5.4.1 Swapping
 - 5.4.2 Virtual Memory
 - 5.4.3 Shared-memory Multiprocessors

Unit 6:File Management

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- 6.1 File System
 - 6.1.1 File Concept
 - 6.1.2 Access Methods
 - 6.1.3 Directory Structure
 - 6.1.4 File System Mounting
 - 6.1.5 File Sharing
 - 6.1.6 Protection

- 6.2 Implementing File Systems
 - 6.2.1 File System Structure
 - 6.2.2 File System Implementation
 - 6.2.3 Directory Implementation
 - 6.2.4 Allocation Methods
 - 6.2.5 Free Space Management
- 6.3 Secondary Storage Structure
 - 6.3.1 Disk Structure
 - 6.3.2 Disk Scheduling
 - 6.3.3 Disk Management
 - 6.3.4 Swap Space Management
- 6.4 I/O Systems
 - 6.4.1 I/O Hardware
 - 6.4.2 Application I/O Interface

Unit 7: Protection and Security

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- 7.1 Fundamentals
 - 7.1.1 Policy and Mechanism
 - 7.1.2 Implementing Policy and mechanism
 - 7.1.3 Authentication Mechanisms
 - 7.1.4 Authorization Mechanisms
 - 7.1.5 Encryption

Unit 8: Device Management

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- 8.1 Device Management approaches
 - 8.1.1 I/O System Organization
 - 8.1.2 Direct I/O with Polling
 - 8.1.3 Interrupt-Driven I/O
 - 8.1.4 Memory-Mapped I/O
 - 8.1.5 Direct memory access
- 8.2 Device Drivers
 - 8.2.1 The device driver interface
 - 8.2.2 CPU-device interactions
 - 8.2.3 I/O optimization
- 8.3 Some Device Management Scenarios
 - 8.3.1 Serial Communications
 - 8.3.2 Sequentially accessed storage devices
 - 8.3.3 Randomly accessed devices

Laboratory:

- Students should implement operating system functionality in their project.

Text Book:

- Gary Nutt, Operating Systems A modern Perspective, Second edition, Pearson Education
- Silberschatz, A., Galvin, P. & Gagne, G., Operating System Principles, Seventh Edition, John Wiley & Sons

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- Andrew S. Tanenbaum, Modern Operating System, PHI
- Andrew S. Tanenbaum, Operating Systems Design and Implementation, Prentice Hall
- James L Peterson & Abraham Silberschatz, Operating System concepts, Addison Wesley
- Thomas W. Doeppner, Operating Systems in Depth, John Wiley & Sons