

FEEDBACK FROM 10/3

Real world example of "a child of a parent of a process"

... when do processes have children?

Check process ID of BASH shell:
echo \$\$

Check parent's process ID:
echo \$PPID

Exec launches a different process or program
What is the difference between a process and a program?
Exec does not create a new process. It transfers control:
Man page: "The exec() family of functions replaces the current process image with a new process image."

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FEEDBACK - 2

Can you create more than 1 fork?

i.e. call fork() more than one time in a program

If you create more than one fork(), how do you handle them?

How would you use fork in a potential application?

Code examples online under "Schedule" tab:

Source Code Examples

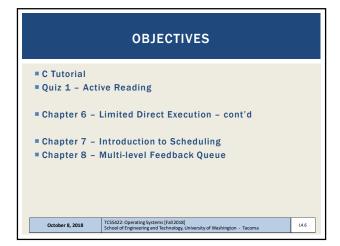
Source code for examples from class are posted [HERE].

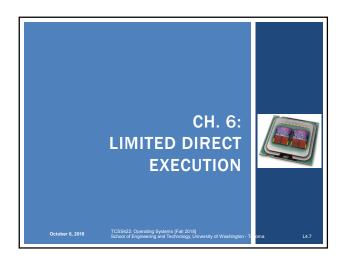
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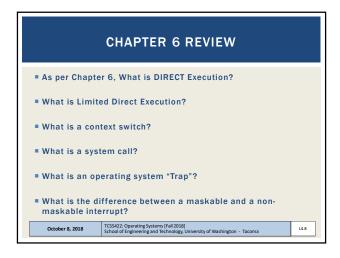
Most of the Linux calls are still unclear

Is it possible to record the lectures?

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DIRECT EXECUTION - 2

 With direct execution:

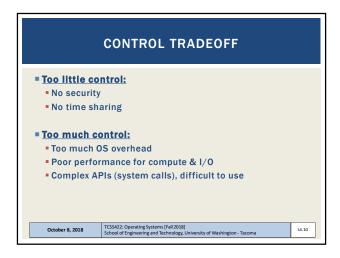
How does the OS stop a program from running, and switch to another to support time sharing?

How do programs share disks and perform I/O if they are given direct control? Do they know about each other?

With direct execution, how can dynamic memory structures such as linked lists grow over time?

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CONTEXT SWITCHING OVERHEAD

Context Switching

Total cost of context switching

Multitasking

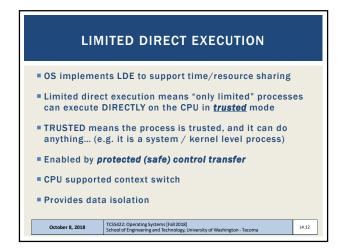
vs. Multitasking with context switching

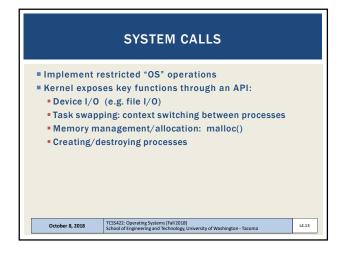
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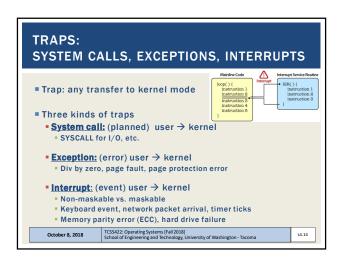
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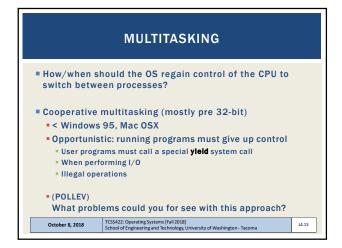
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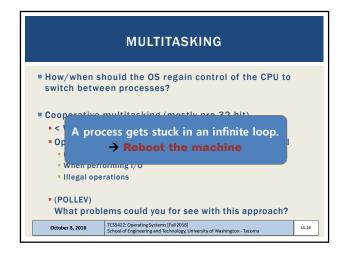
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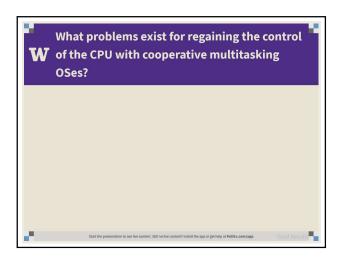


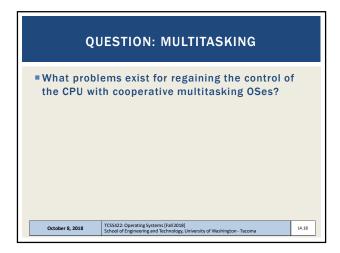


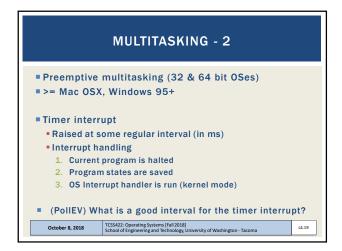


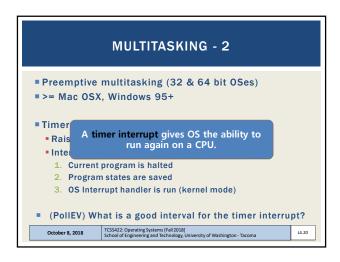






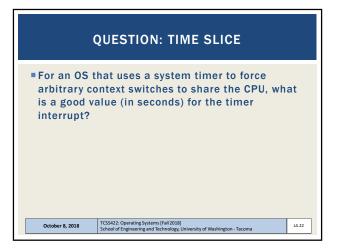






For an OS that uses a system timer to force
arbitrary context switches to share the CPU,
what is a good value (in seconds) for the timer
interrupt?

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CONTEXT SWITCH

Preemptive multitasking initiates "trap" into the OS code to determine:

Whether to continue running the current process, or switch to a different one.

If the decision is made to switch, the OS performs a context switch swapping out the current process for a new one.

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