
High Performance Computing

Lecture 11

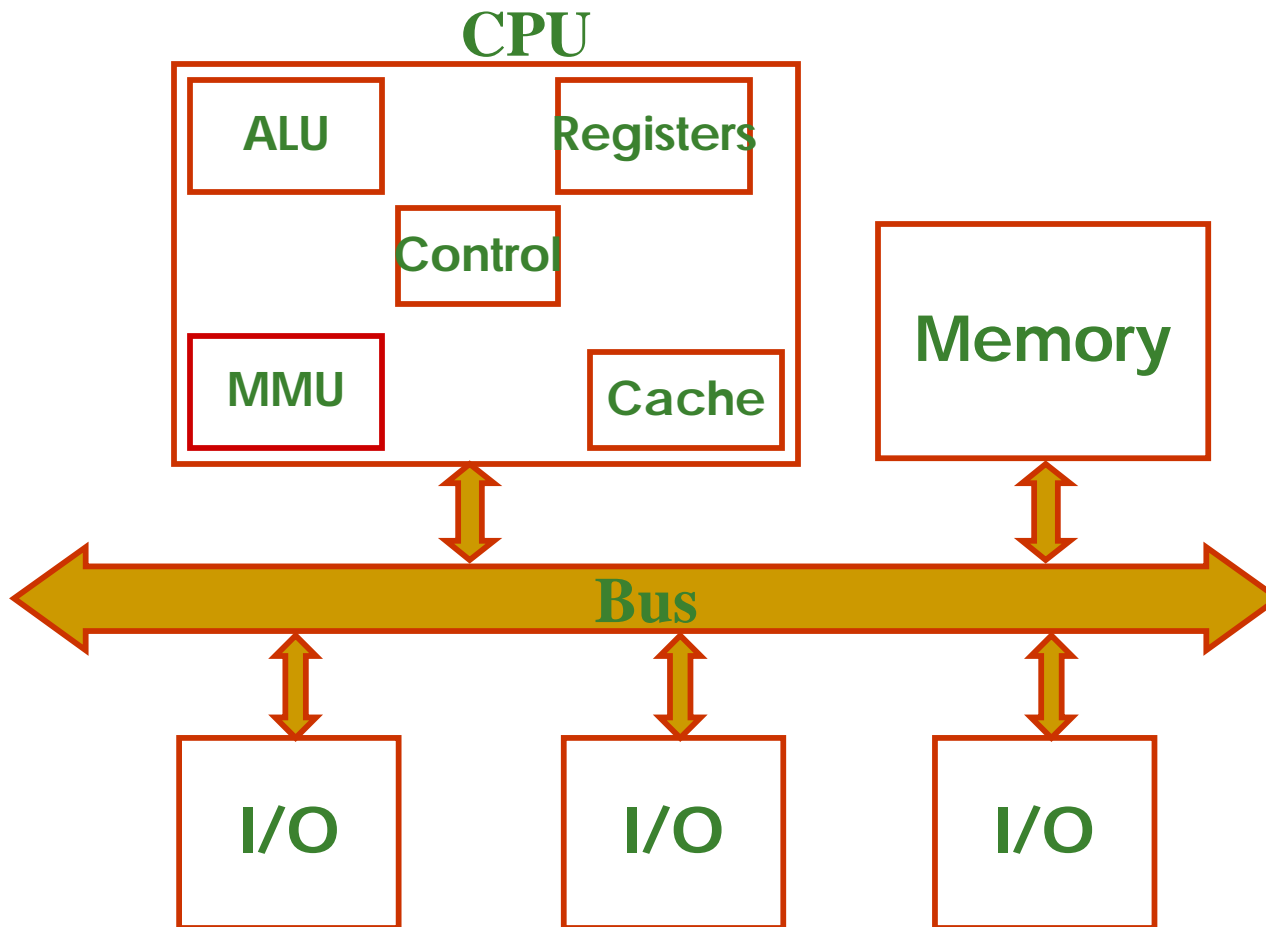
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Agenda

1. **Program execution:** Compilation, Object files, Function call and return, Address space, Data & its representation (4)
2. **Computer organization:** Memory, Registers, Instruction set architecture, Instruction processing (6)
3. **Virtual memory:** Address translation, Paging (4)
4. **Operating system:** Processes, System calls, Process management (6)
5. **Pipelined processors:** Structural, data and control hazards, impact on programming (4)
6. **Cache memory:** Organization, impact on programming (5)
7. **Program profiling** (2)
8. **File systems:** Disk management, Name management, Protection (4)
9. **Parallel programming:** Inter-process communication, Synchronization, Mutual exclusion, Parallel architecture, Programming with message passing using MPI (5)

Computer Organization: Hardware



Computer Organization: Software

- Hardware resources of computer system are shared by programs in execution
- **Operating System**: Special software that manages this sharing

Operating Systems (OS)

Examples

- ❑ Unix AIX, HP-UX, Solaris
- ❑ Linux Fedora, openSUSE, Ubuntu, Debian
- ❑ Apple Mac OS Mac OS X Snow Leopard
- ❑ Microsoft Windows Windows 7, Vista, XP
- ❑ Google Chrome OS

Computer Organization: Software

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- **Process**: A program in execution
 - i.e., present in main memory and being executed
 - On Unix systems, you can use **ps** to get information about the current status of processes

% ps

Shell prompt



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- Process: A program in execution
- **Shell**: A command interpreter, through which you interact with the computer system
 - Examples of Unix shells: csh, bash
 - A program; just another program

% ps

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
15459	pts/10	00:00:00	bash
15491	pts/10	00:00:00	ps

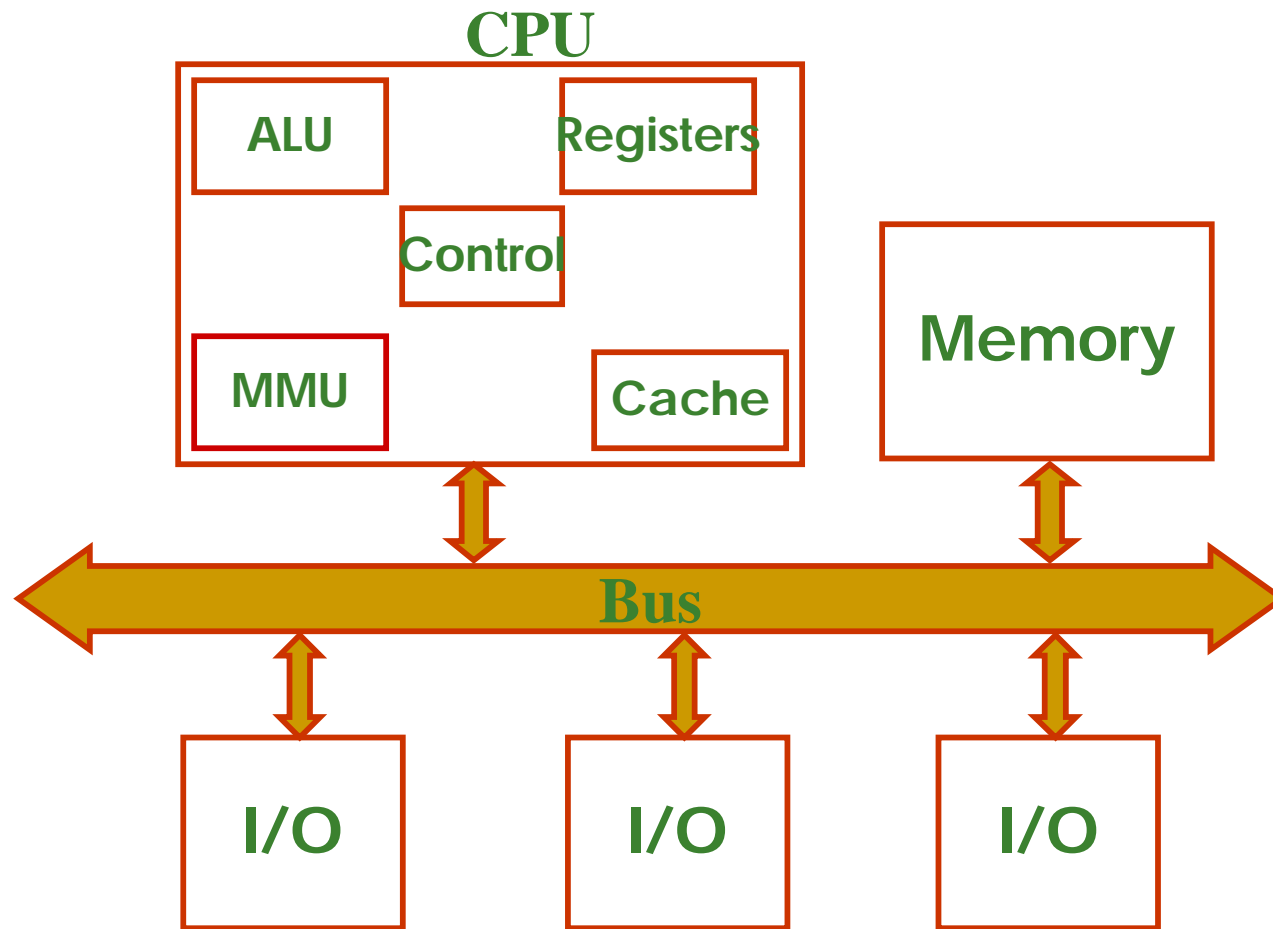
% ps -a

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
6358	pts/4	00:00:00	pine
15538	pts/10	00:00:00	ps
20252	pts/2	00:00:01	pine
31066	pts/5	00:00:01	emacs-x
31072	pts/5	00:00:00	xterm
31084	pts/5	00:00:00	xdvi-xaw3d.bin

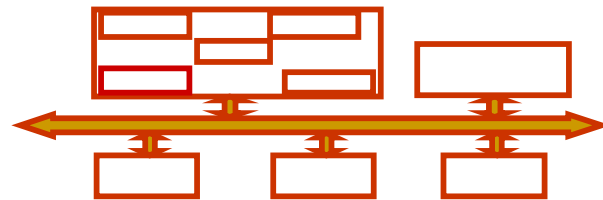
% ps -l

F	S	UID	PID	PPID	C	PRI	NI	ADDR	SZ	WCHAN	TTY	TIME	CMD
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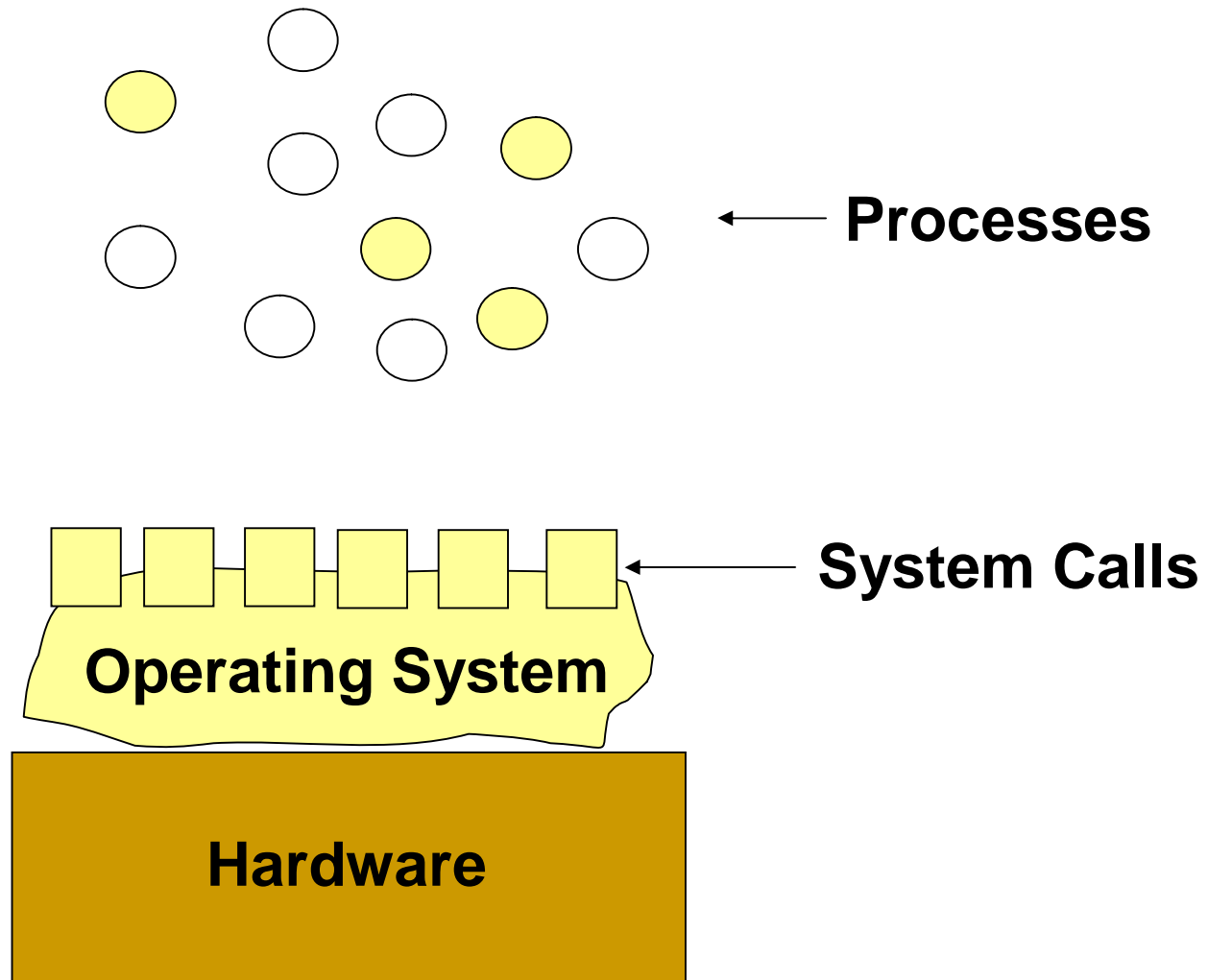
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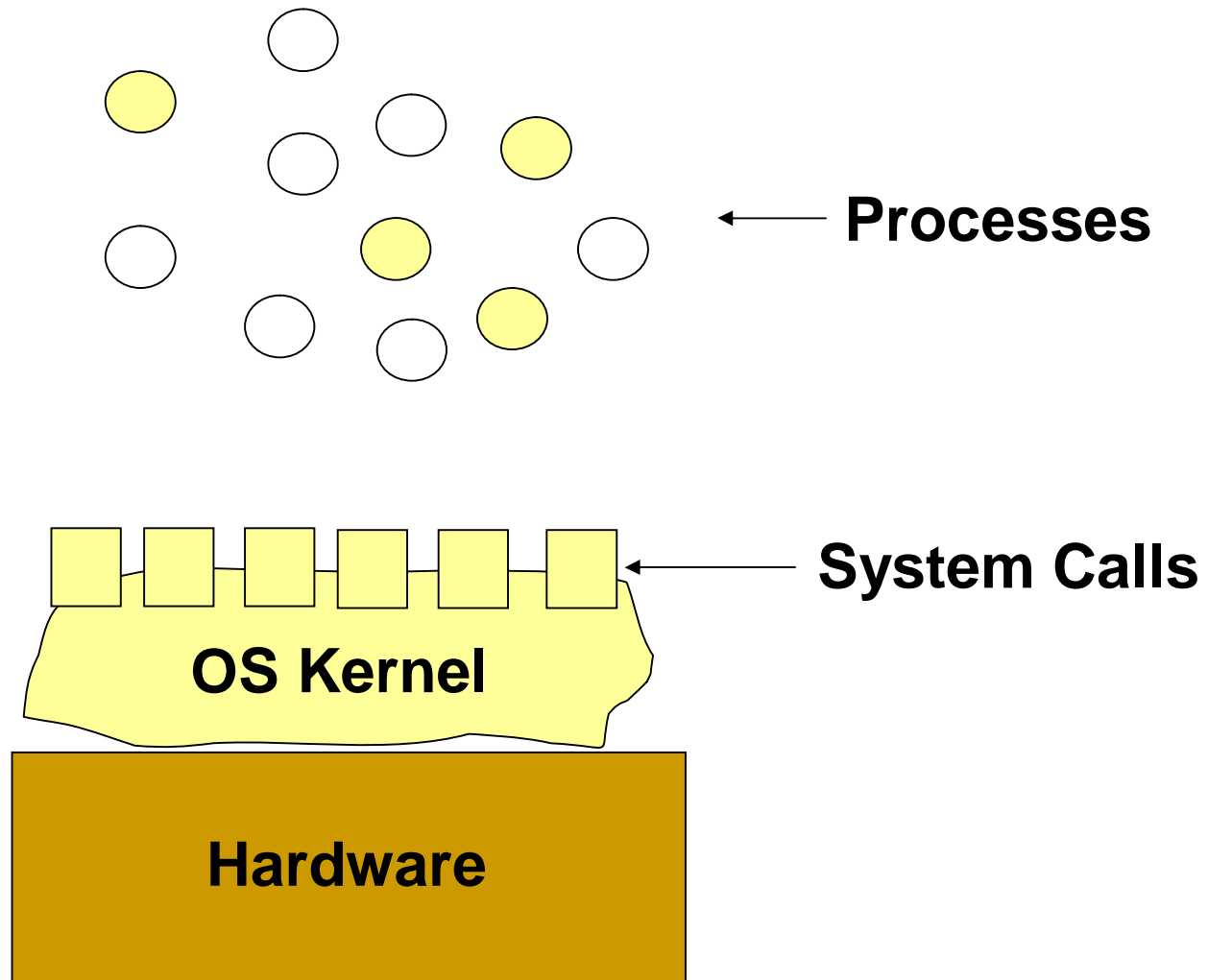
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- **Examples: Operations on files**
 - `creat()`: to create a new file
 - `unlink()`: to remove a file
 - `open()`: to open a file for reading and/or writing
 - `read()`: to read data from an open file into a variable
 - `write()`: to write data into an open file
 - `lseek()`: to change the current pointer into the open file

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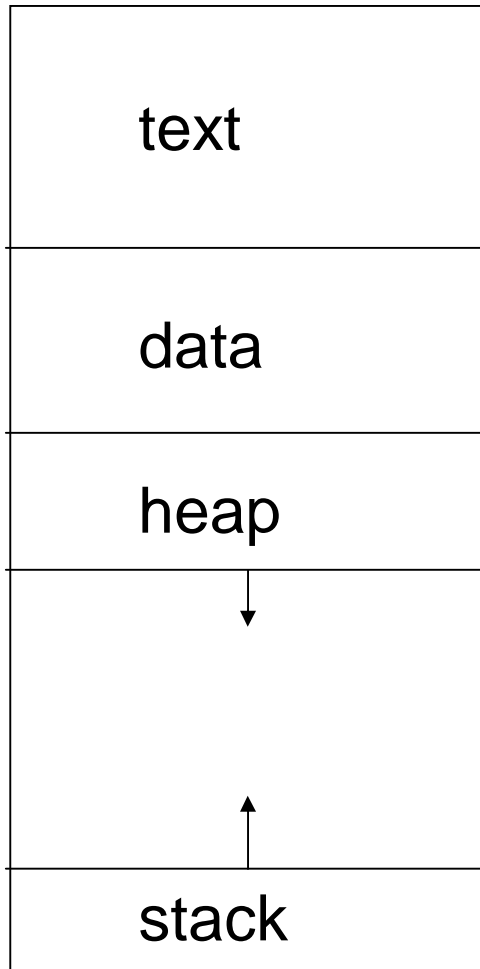
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- **Examples: Operations on processes**
 - **fork()**: to create a new process
 - Terminology: **parent** process calls **fork()** which causes a **child** process to be created
 - Both parent and child processes continue to execute from that point in the program

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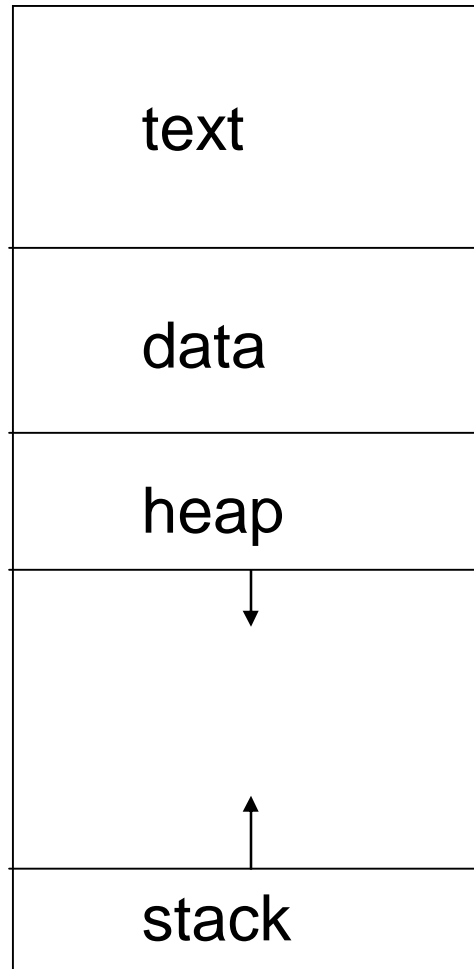
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- **Examples: Operations on processes**
 - **fork()**: to create a new process
 - **exec()**: to change the memory image of a process
 - e,g, to change the program that a process is executing

fork() and exec()

Parent Process



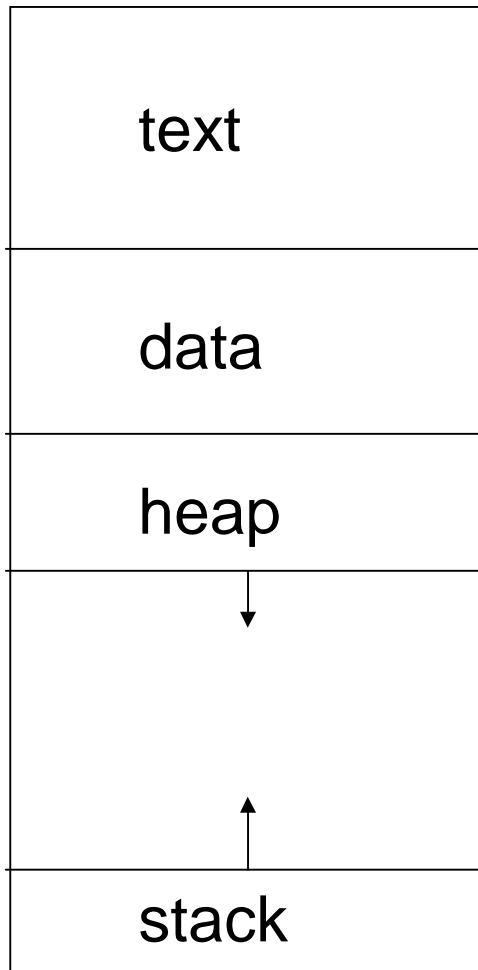
Child Process



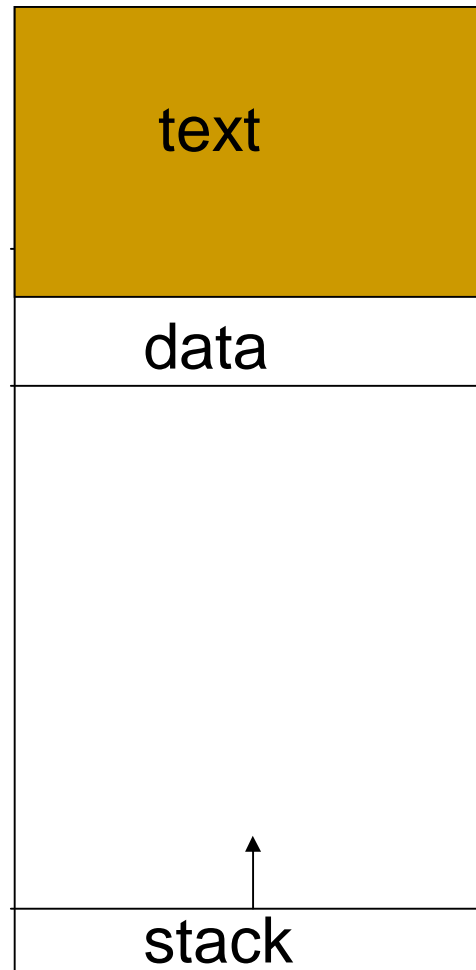
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retval = fork();  
if (retval == 0) {  
    /* child */  
    exec(...);  
} else {  
    /* parent */  
}
```

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 - **exit()**: to terminate
 - **wait()**: to make parent sleep until child terminates

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- **Examples: Operations on memory**
 - **sbrk**: can be used by malloc() to increase size of the heap

System Calls

- How a process gets the operating system to do something for it
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- Examples: Operations on files, processes, memory, etc
- **When a process is executing in a system call, it is actually executing Operating System code**

Operating System, Processes, Hardware

