

CHAPTER 1: OPERATING SYSTEM FUNDAMENTALS

What is an operating system?

- A collection of software modules to assist programmers in enhancing system *efficiency, flexibility, and robustness*
- An *Extended Machine* from the users' viewpoint
- A *Resource Manager* from the system's viewpoint

What are the primary functions of an operating system?

- multiplexing the processor(s)
- scheduling processes
- coordinating interaction among processes, interprocess communication and synchronization
- managing system resources (I/O, memory, data files)
- enforcing access control and protection
- maintaining system integrity and performing error recovery
- providing an interface to the users

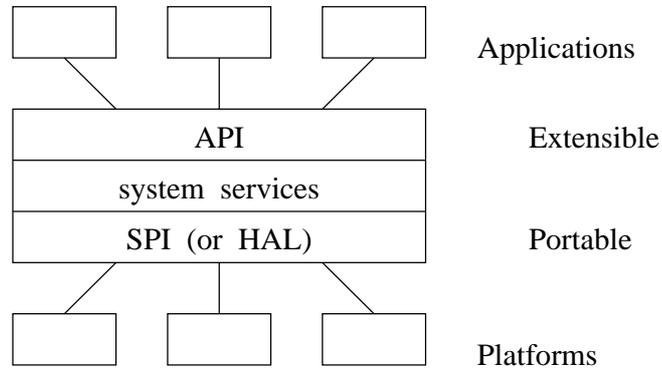
Operating system structuring methods

- modularization
- vertical partitioning (layered one-in-one-out structure)
- horizontal partitioning
- client/server model
- minimal (or micro) kernel
- subsystem with API and SPI

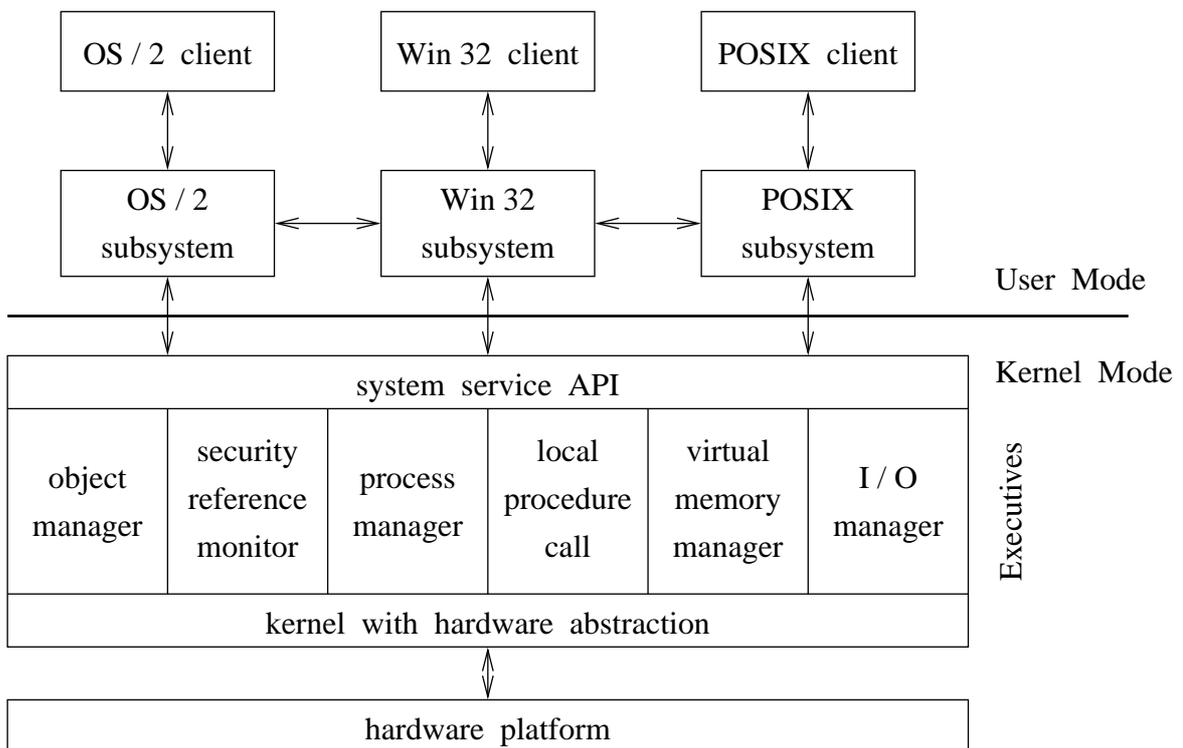
Example of OS Partitioning:

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| Applications | accounting | word processing | manufacturing |
| Subsystems | programming environment | | database system |
| Utilities | compiler | command interpreter | library |
| System Services | file system | memory manager | scheduler |
| Kernel | CPU multiplexing, interrupt handling, device drivers synchronization primitives, interprocess communication | | |

API and SPI:



Windows NT: an example of operating system structure



Overview of centralized operating systems:

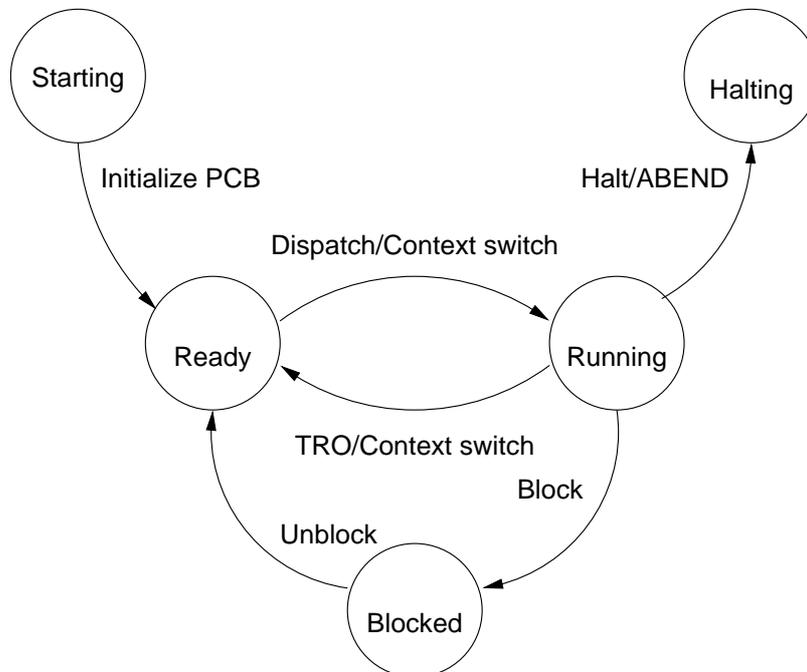
Resource Manager

- *Process management*
 - interprocess communication
 - process synchronization
 - process scheduling
- *Memory management*
 - memory allocation and deallocation
 - logical to physical address mapping
 - virtual memory support: segmentation and paging
 - protection
- *Device management*
 - device driver
 - buffering
 - spooling
- *Data management*
 - file access
 - file sharing
 - concurrency control
 - data replication

Process management

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- process scheduling

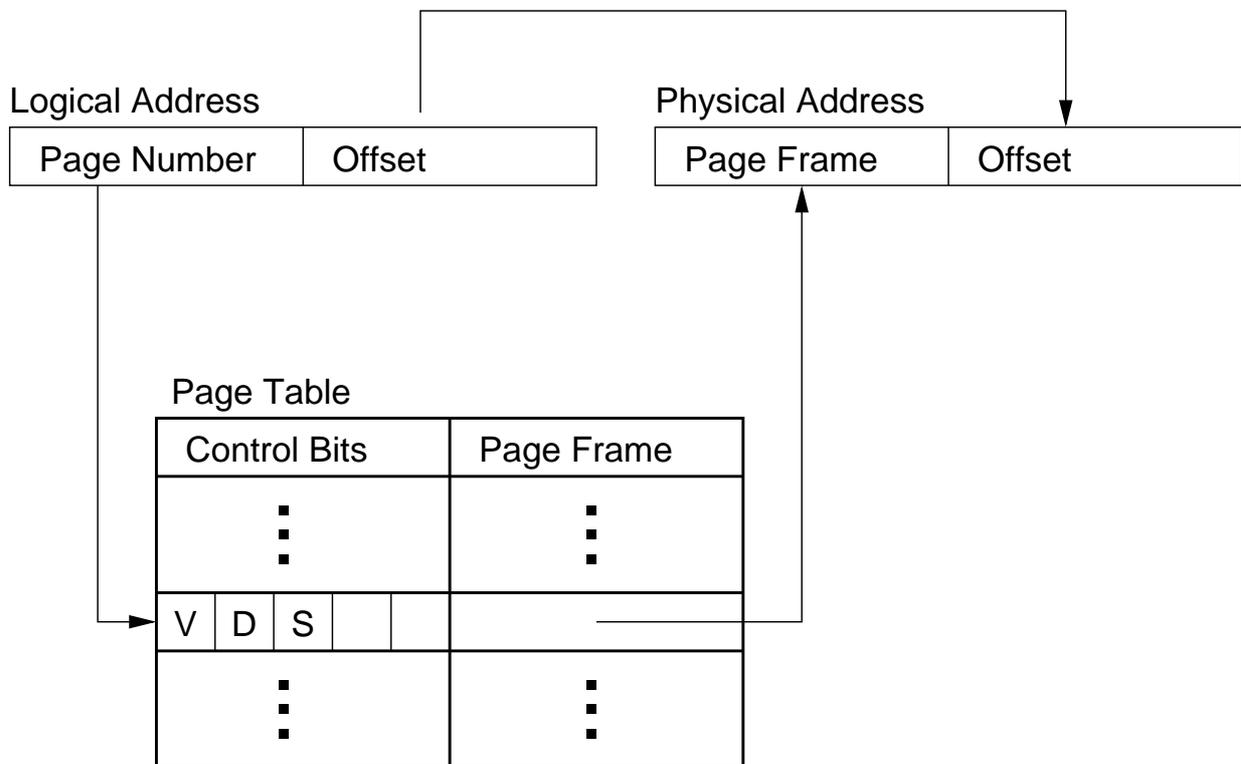
Process States:



Memory management

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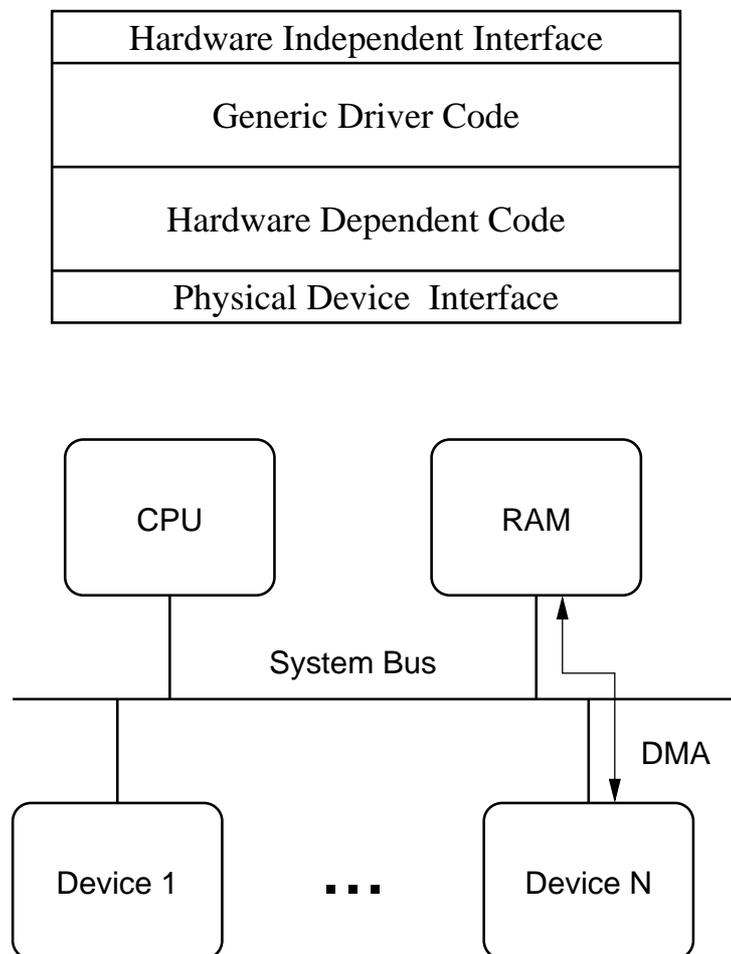
Paged Memory:



Device management

- device driver
- buffering
- spooling

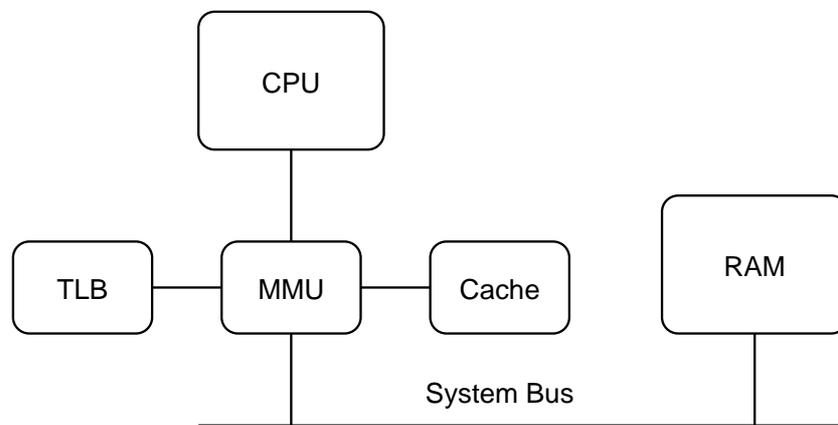
Device Drivers and DMA:



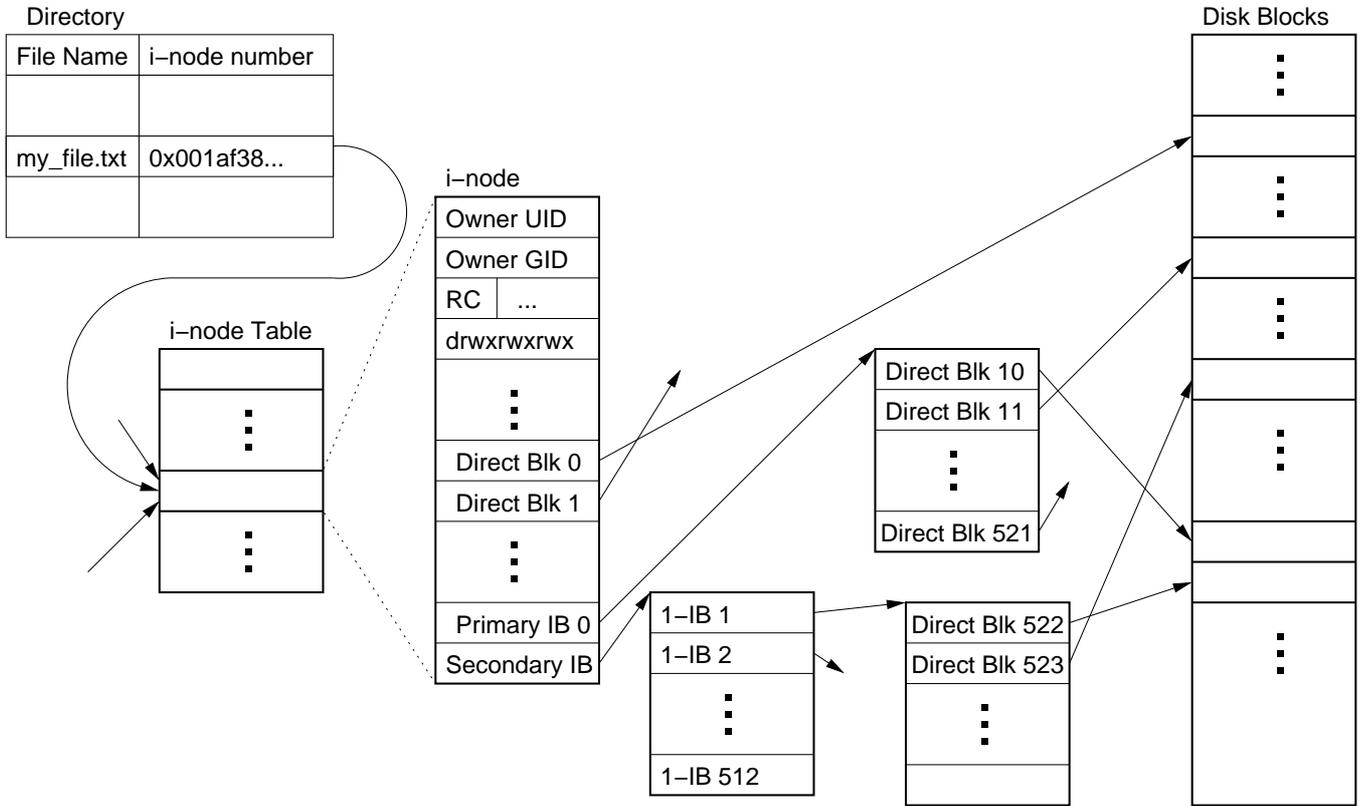
Data management

- file access
- file sharing
- concurrency control
- data replication

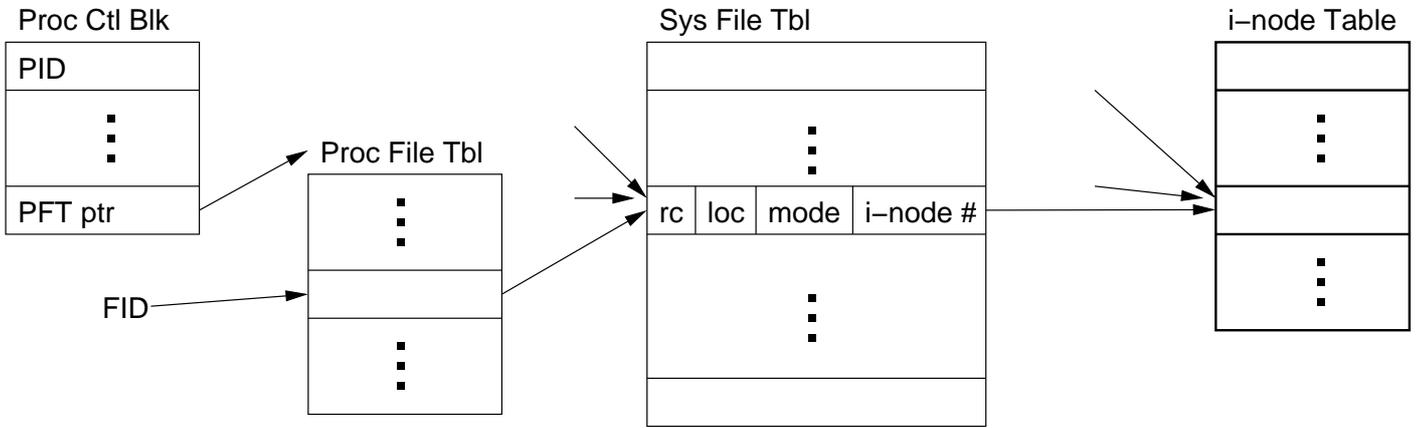
Memory Management Unit:



Unix File System:



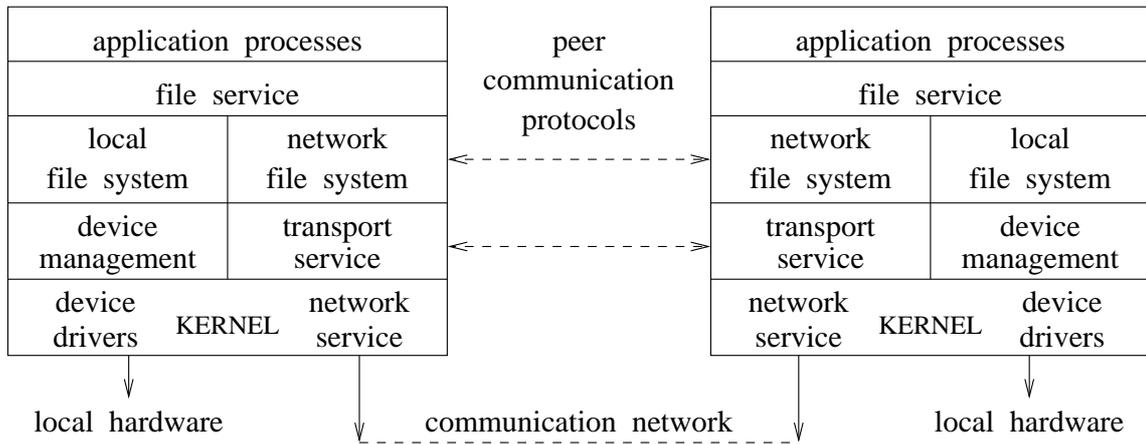
Unix File Tables:



Network operating system

- *interoperability*: ability of information exchange among heterogeneous systems
- supported by network communication protocols
- *transport service*: the primary interface between operating system and computer network
- characterized by common network applications (servers)
 - remote login
 - file transfer
 - messaging
 - browsing
 - remote execution

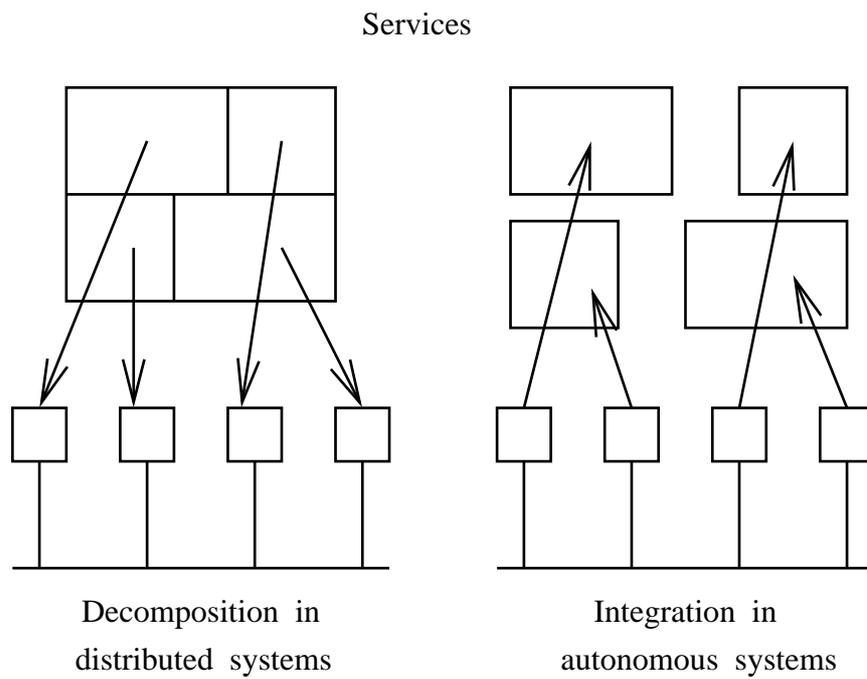
A network file system example



Distributed operating system

- transparency
- servers for supporting resource sharing and distributed processing
- algorithms to implement transparencies
- details in latter chapters

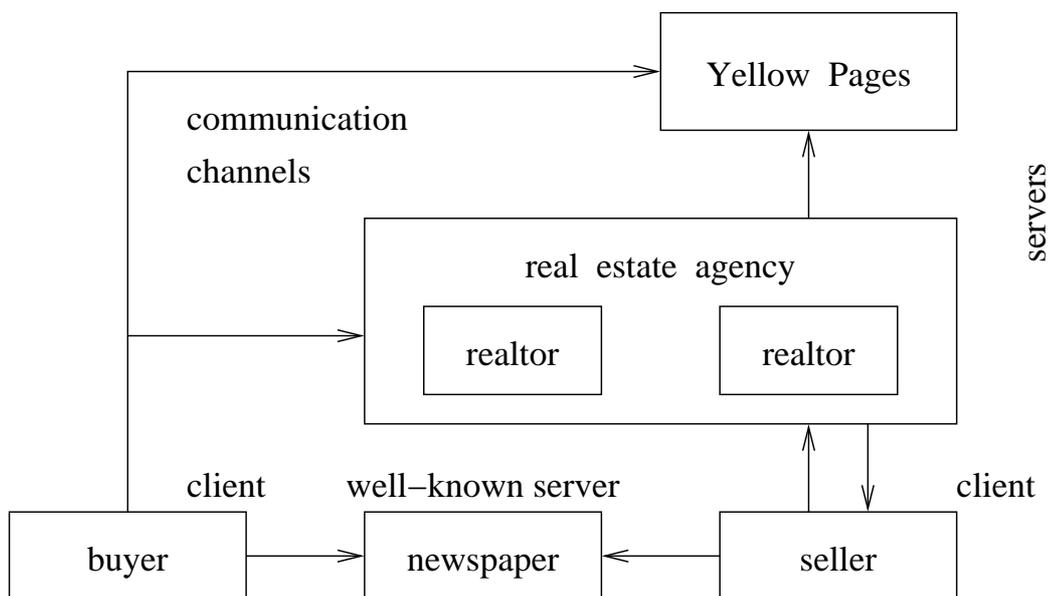
Service Decomposition vs. Integration



Cooperative autonomous system

- client/server model
- object model
- software bus (middleware, broker, or trader)
- CORBA and ODP
- Peer-to-Peer (P2P) systems
- Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) systems

An example of cooperative autonomous system



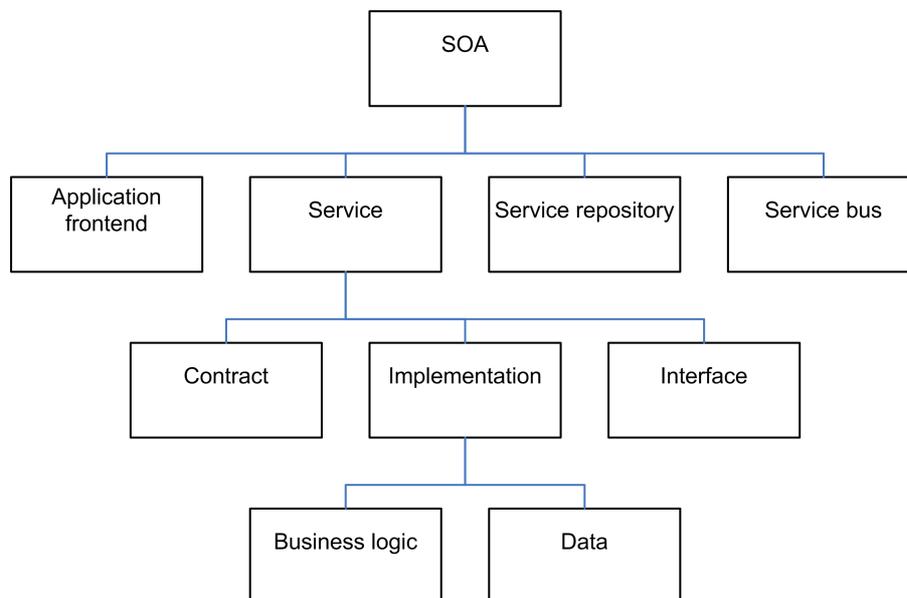
Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)

(from http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Service-oriented_architecture)

Guiding Principles

- Reuse, granularity, modularity, composability, componentization, interoperability
- Standards compliance
- Service identification and categorization, provisioning and delivery, monitoring and tracking

SOA Elements



General idea of usage is to "orchestrate" services to develop application.

Specific SOA Architectural Principles

- Service encapsulation - minimal interface
- Service loose coupling - minimize dependencies
- Service contract - documented specification and agreement
- Service abstraction - internals hidden
- Service reusability - intentional packaging of multi-use services
- Service composability - composite services formed from building blocks
- Service autonomy - owners control logic encapsulated by services offered
- Service optimization - clients can "shop" for the "best" service
- Service discoverability - meaningful descriptions available through discovery mechanisms
- Service relevance - granularity is right for meaningful service

Why do we need distributed control algorithms?

An algorithm is sometimes called protocol if it specifies coordination more than computation.

- algorithm changes due to message passing
- need for consensus algorithms due to lack of global information
- concurrency control algorithms to avoid interference in resource sharing
- coherency control algorithms to maintain consistency for data replication
- protocols for group communication in distributed applications
- fault-tolerance algorithms for handling failure and recovery
- real-time and distributed scheduling algorithms