

Final Review

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Specs

- Similar style to midterm
- Mostly short answer
- I like compare/contrast questions
- I like "can you think about this idea in a different way" questions
- Goal: do you understand fundamental trade-offs/issues and basics of how realized in real systems

- Warning: These slides are not an exhaustive list of the topics covered simply a guide to major topics and priorities.

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First Half

- Lectures through 10/3
- Book through chapter 8 (not chapter 3)
- Topics
 - OS History
 - Hardware Support for OS
 - Processes
 - Threads
 - CPU Scheduling
 - Synchronization
 - Object, Classic Problems
 - Deadlock
 - Transactions

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Second Half

- Lectures 10/8 on
- Book chapters 9-12, 14.1- 14.3, 15-18
- Topics
 - Storage Systems
 - File Systems
 - Memory Management
 - Virtual Memory
 - Networking
 - Protection and Security
 - Distributed Systems
 - Distributed Coordination

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Storage Systems

- Memory Hierarchy
 - Volatile vs Non-volatile storage
 - Primary, Secondary, Tertiary
- Disk Basics
 - Physical Geometry, Addressing, Format, Performance
- Disk Scheduling
- Technology Trends

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File System Basics

- Files, Directories, Superblocks, Inodes, Bitmaps, Hard/Soft Links, Mount Points
- Path Name Translation
- File Buffer Cache
- File Layout
 - Contiguous Allocation, Blocks, Extents
- FFS vs LFS
 - Cylinder groups, cleaning, inode map
- Update in place, journalling/logging

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Memory Management

- Virtual Memory
 - Protection, Illusion of Full Address Space
- HW Support for VM
 - Fixed vs Variable Partitions, Paging, Segmentation
 - Page Table Entries, TLB
 - What happens on context switch

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Memory Management (con't)

- Working Set
- Demand Paging
- Thrashing
- Page Replacement Algorithms
- Fairness in Page Replacement

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Networking

- Protocols, Protocol Encapsulation
- Layered Architectures (App, Transport, Network, Link Layers)
- Domain Name System (DNS)
- Multiplexing and Demultiplexing
- TCP features
 - Reliable, In-Order, Congestion and Flow control
- IP Addressing (Classless vs Classful)
- Static (Hierarchical) vs Dynamic Routing

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Protection

- Policy vs Mechanism
- Protection Domains
- Access Matrix
- Access Lists vs Capabilities
- Protection vs Security

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Distributed Systems

- Loosely vs Tightly Coupled
- Process Migration
- Decomposing process into a collection of parallel processes
- Problems of DS (Failure Detection, Reconfiguration, Security)

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Distributed Coordinatio

- Event Ordering and Happens Before
- Distributed Mutual Exclusion: Centralized, Fully Distributed, Token Passing
- Two Phase Commit
- Deadlock Handling
 - Bankers Algorithm on Single Coordinator
 - Why manual detection/recovery harder
 - Why automatic detection requires global knowledge

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Distributed Coordination (con't)

- Election Algorithms (ring and bully)
- Byzantine Generals Problem
 - How that maps onto DS
 - Not proving solution works!

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Distributed File Systems

- Freebie ☺

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Logistics

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