

Welcome to SSE2030: Introduction to Computer Systems

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Introduction



■ Basic information

- 15:00 – 16:15 (Tuesday & Thursday)
- Lecture room #400102 (Semiconductor Bldg.)
- Homepage: <http://csl.skku.edu/SSE2030F10/>

■ Instructor

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Course Outline (1)

- **Goal:**

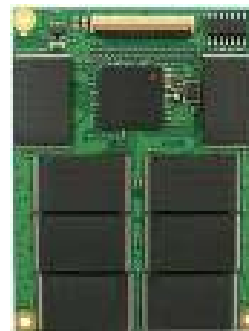
How does the computer system work?

or

How does your program run?

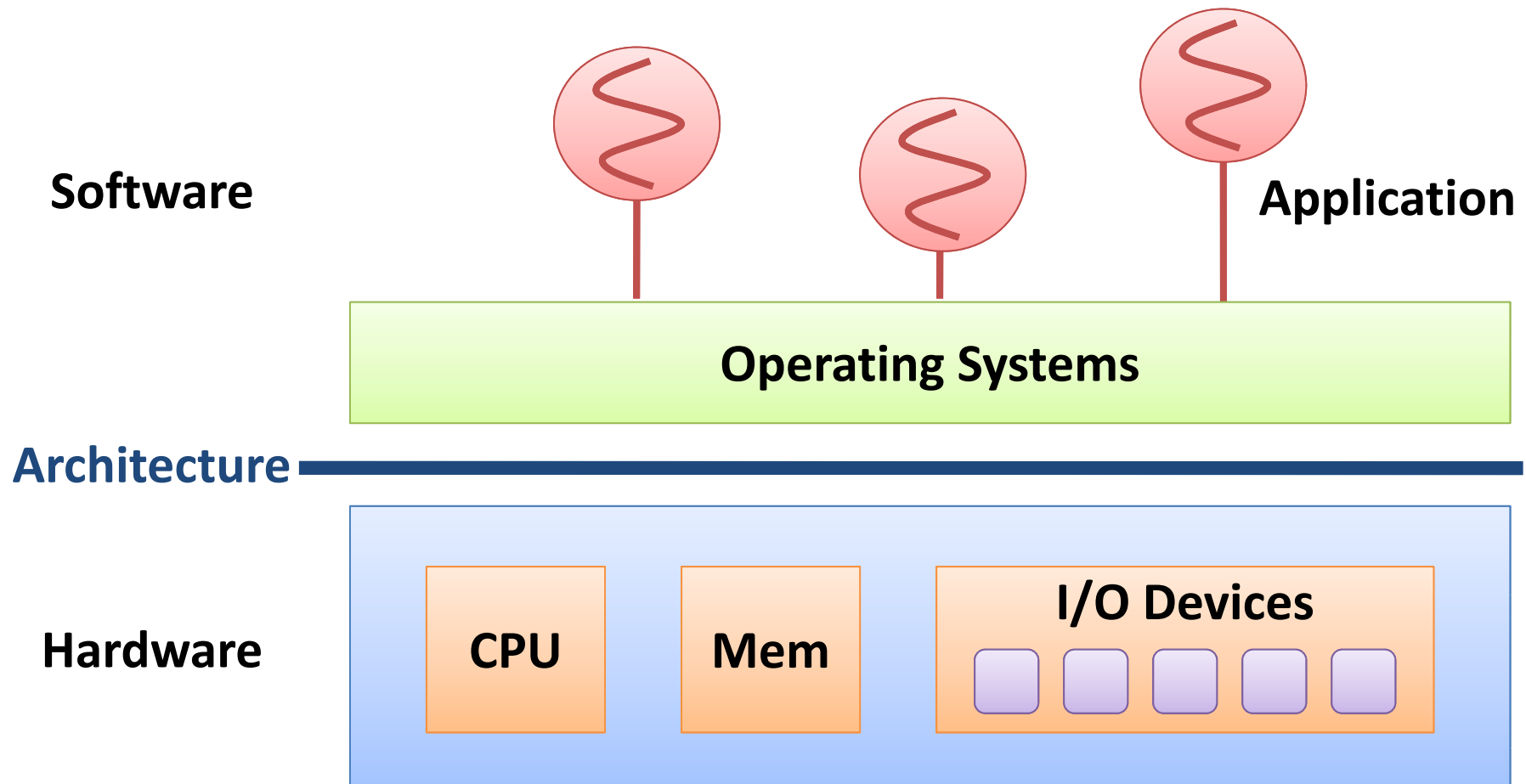
Course Outline (2)

- Computer systems



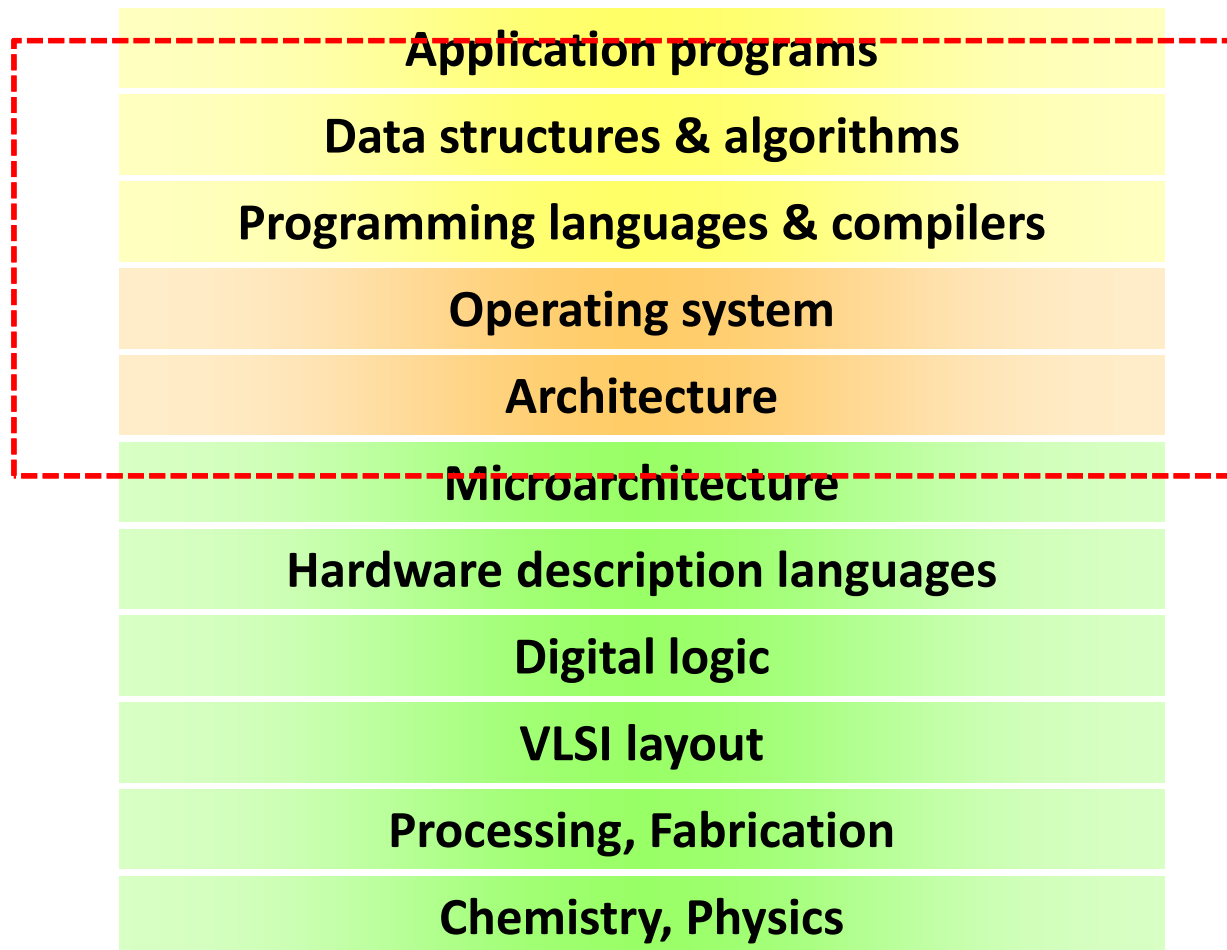
Course Outline (3)

- Computer systems internals



Course Outline (4)

- Levels of abstraction



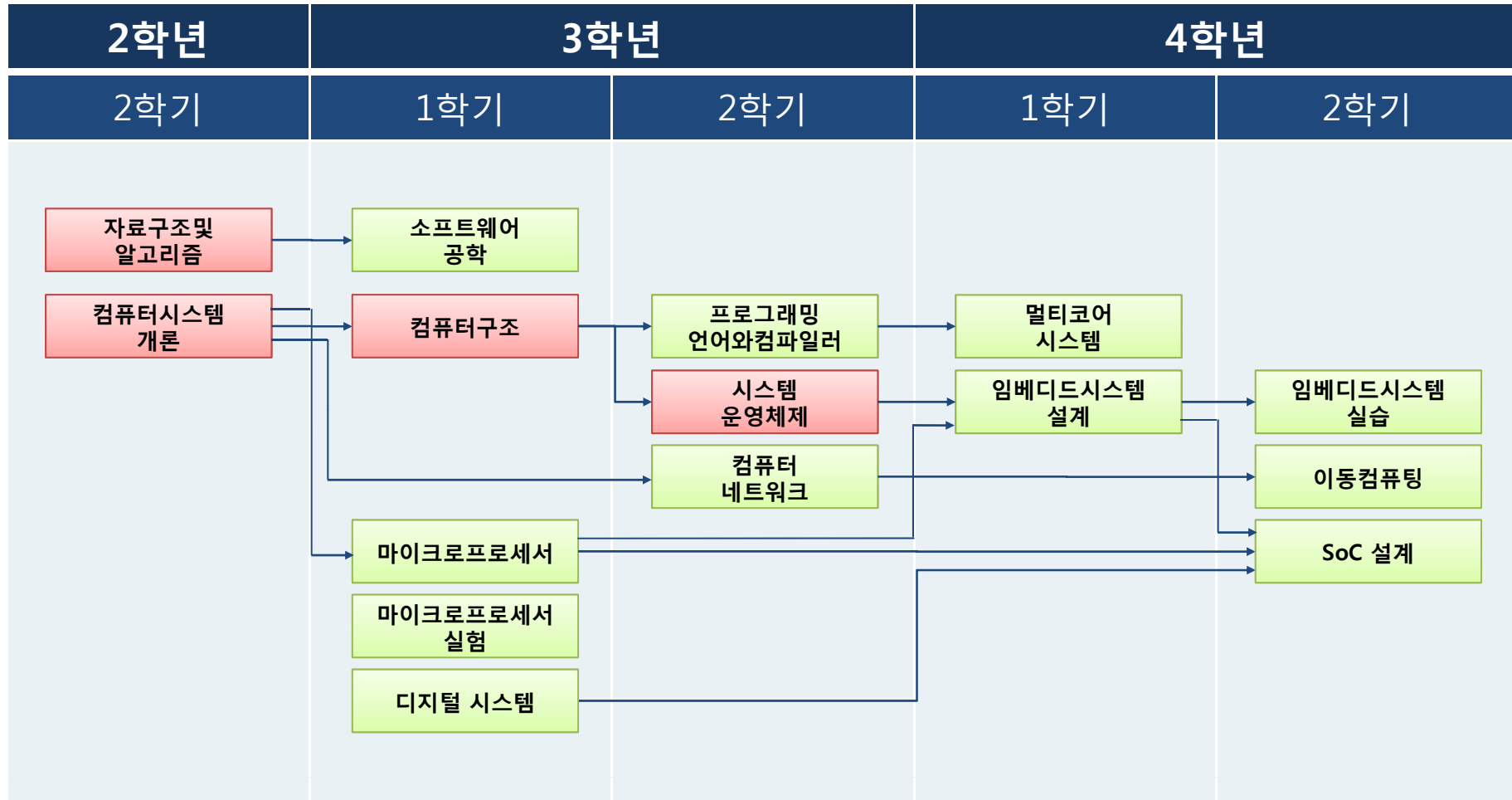
Course Plan



■ Topics

- Digital systems
- Representing and manipulating information
- Assembly programming
- Compilers
- Linkers and loaders
- Processor architecture
- Memory hierarchy
- Operating systems
- Performance optimization

System Software Track



Prerequisites



- **C programming skills (GEDD07)**
- **Basic knowledge of UNIX/Linux systems**

- **ICE2001: Logic circuits**
- **SSE2029: Data structures and algorithms or
ICE2002: Data structures**

Course Components



- **Lectures**

- Concepts
- Backgrounds

- **Reviews & Quizzes**

- On topics covered in previous classes

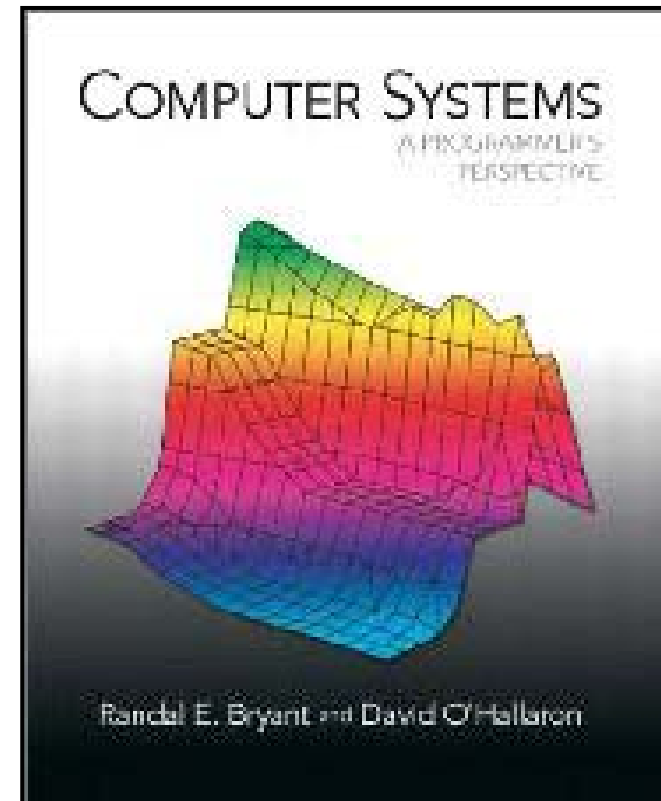
- **Projects**

- Mostly on assembly programming
- Design, implementation, measurement, optimization

Textbook

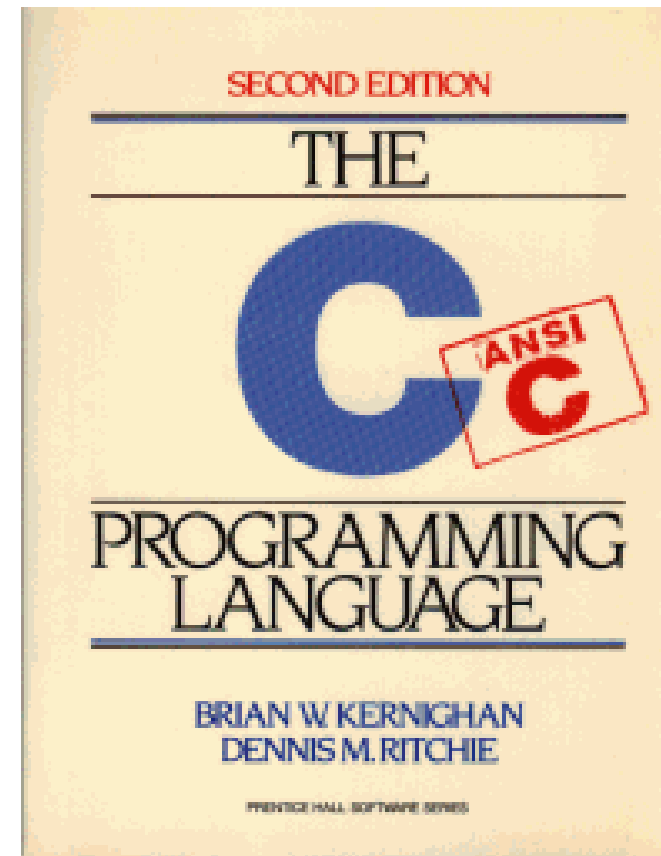
- **Computer Systems:
A Programmer's Perspective**

- Randal E. Bryant and David R. O'Hallaron, Prentice-Hall, 2003.
- Authors' homepage:
<http://csapp.cs.cmu.edu>



References (1)

- **C Programming**
 - **C Programming Language,**
(Second Edition)
B. Kernighan and D. Ritchie,
Prentice Hall, 1988.



References (2)

- **Assembly Programming**

- **The Art of Assembly Language Programming,**

Randall Hyde,

<http://webster.cs.ucr.edu/>

- Intel Architectures Software Developer's Manual,

Volume 1: Basic Architecture

Volume 2: Instruction Set Reference

Volume 3: System Programming Guide

<http://www.intel.com/products/processor/manuals/index.htm>

Class Policies (1)

- **Grading Policy (subject to change)**
 - Class attendance (10%)
 - Projects (45%)
 - Exams, Quizzes (45%)
- If you miss one or both of exams, you will fail this course.
- Do not be late! You should be present in the lecture room when I take class attendance.
- You have four "tokens"; these tokens can be used for unexcused absences and for excused absences as well (i.e., up to four absences will be OK).

Class Policies (2)

■ Project Policy

- You will work on each project alone
- The submission status will be posted on the course homepage.
- Only the assignments submitted before the deadline will receive full credit.
- 25% of the credit will be deducted for every single day delay.

Class Policies (3)

■ Cheating Policy

- “Copying all or part of another person’s work, or using reference material not specifically allowed” are forms of cheating and will not be tolerated
- For a student involved in an incident of cheating, the following policy will apply:
 - You will get zero points in the particular project and the final grade will be lowered by one grade (e.g., B+ → B)
 - For serious offenses, you will get F and this will be notified to the department chair
- Share useful information: helping others use systems or tools, helping them with high-level designs or debug their code is NOT cheating!

Any Questions?

