Processes, Address Spaces, and Memory Management Jonathan Misurda imisurda@cs.pitt.edu





Operating Systems

- Manage Resources
- Abstract Details

MEMORY MANAGEMENT

Allocation Strategies

- First fit
- Find the first free block, starting from the beginning, that can accommodate the request
- Next fit
- Find the first free block, starting where the last search left off, that can accommodate the request
- Best fit
 - Find the free block that is closest in size to the request

Allocation Strategies Continued

- Worst fit
 - Find the free block with the most left over after fulfilling the allocation request
- Quick fit
 - Keep several lists of free blocks of common sizes, allocate from the list that nearest matches the request



Minimal Units of Allocation

- Break memory up into fixed sized chunks
- · Easier to manage
- Need less entries in bitmap
- When memory from OS, chunk called a Page
- When chunk of disk: Block







Buddy Allocation				
Allocation of size 2 in a region of size 16				
Size 16				
	Size 8	Size 8		
Size 4	Size 4	Size 8		
Size 2 Size 2	2 Size 4	Size 8		
Size 2 Size 2	2 Size 4	Size 8		



Buddy De-Allocation					
Free re	Free region of size 2 in a region of size 16				
Size 2	Size 2	Size 4	Size 8		
Mark re	Mark region as free				
Size 2	Size 2	Size 4	Size 8		
Combir	Combine with "buddy"				
Siz	e 4	Size 4	Size 8		



