

New Operating Systems Group

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Group history

June 2023: Creation

That's it!

Teaching and Research Unit Operating Systems

Lehre- und Forschungsgebiet Betriebssysteme

Computer Science Department @ RWTH Aachen University

About myself

2016 – 2020: Ph.D. in Computer Science on Thread Scheduling

Whisper group @ Inria & Sorbonne University, Paris, France

Under the supervision of Gilles Muller and Julien Sopena



2021 – 2023: Postdoc

Distributed Systems and Operating Systems chair @ TU Munich

Under the supervision of Pramod Bhatotia



June 2023 – now: Professor @ RWTH

Operating Systems Group



Research interests

Operating systems (obviously), in the broad sense of the term

Scheduling

Binary translation

Virtualisation

Memory
management

Unikernels

More often than not with a sprinkle of **formal verification**

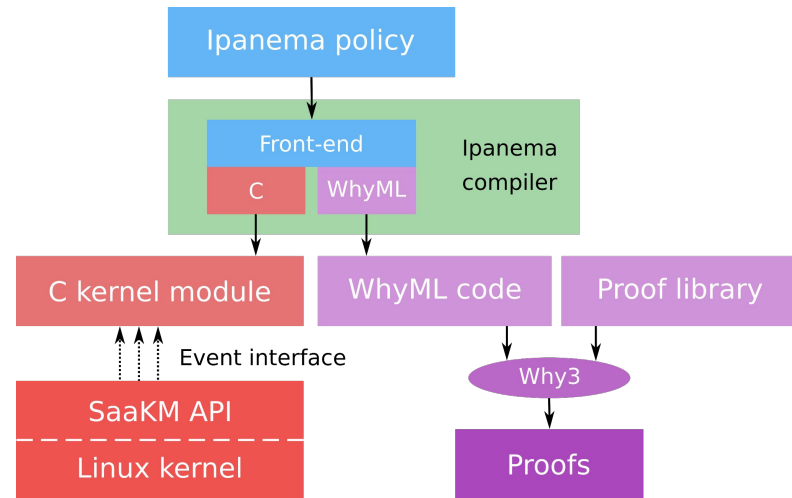
Scheduling

Back in the days of my Ph.D., I worked on **Ipanema**, a Domain-Specific Language to write kernel schedulers with formally verified properties.

Enables users to use an application-specific scheduler instead of the default Linux scheduler.

Published at EuroSys'20.

Similar work (without the verification) currently done by Google [SOSP'21] and Meta (sched_ext)



Binary translation

Binary translation for **strong-to-weak memory model architectures**

e.g., x86 -> Arm/RISC-V

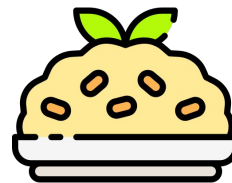
Lasagne [PLDI'22]

Static binary translation with formally verified memory mappings



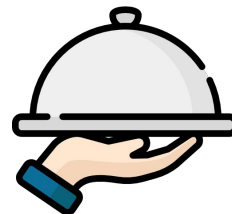
Risotto [ASPLOS'23]

Dynamic binary translation with formally verified memory mappings



Arancini [target OSDI'24]

Hybrid binary translation with formally verified memory mappings



Other projects (ongoing and future)

- Optimising page cache locality for NUMA architectures
- Modular application-specific schedulers
- Binary translation verifier
- Multiplexing network devices in virtualised systems
- Hardware-assisted memory sharing detector
- Multi-process unikernels
- Heterogeneous ISA operating system
- ...

That's it!

Don't hesitate to hit me up if you wanna talk/collaborate! (in English 😊)

I have an open Ph.D. position if you have promising students graduating!

<https://www.rwth-aachen.de/go/id/kbag/file/V000006023/lidx/1/>

Links:

- <https://os.rwth-aachen.de> (online soon)
- <https://redha.gouicem.fr>