Medical Imaging Workstation: CR Views

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Abstract

The concepts and realization of the medical imaging workstation are described. The following concepts are described: presentation and processing pipeline, resource management (CPU and memory), including caching and antifragmentation strategy, software process decomposition and decomposition rules. The actual realization figures serve as illustration for the justification of some of the concepts.

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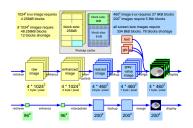
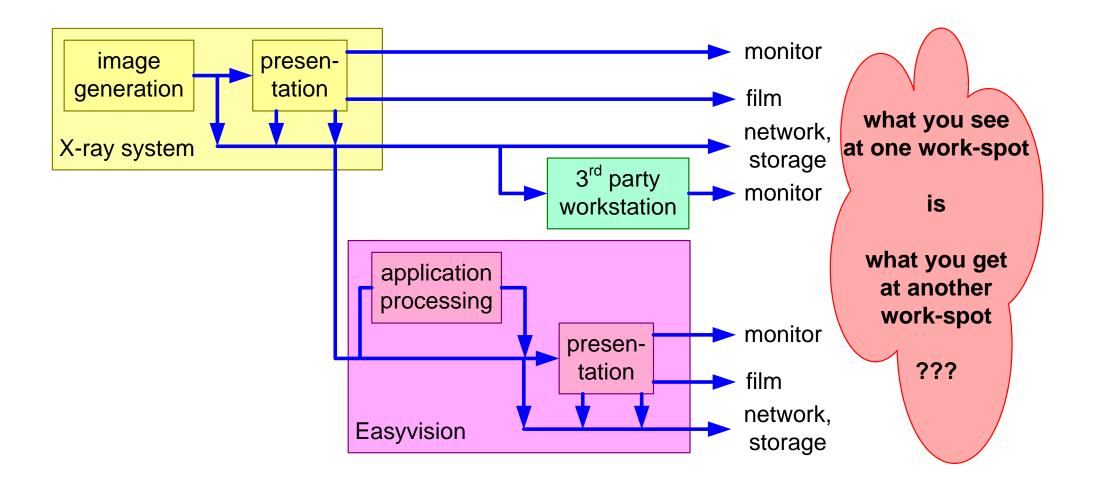
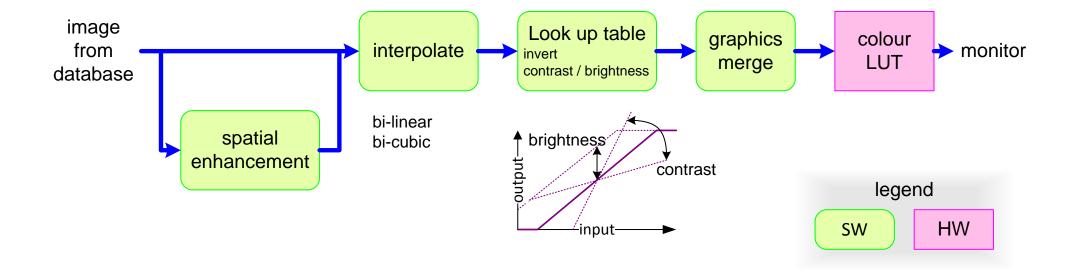


Image Quality expectation WYSIWYG



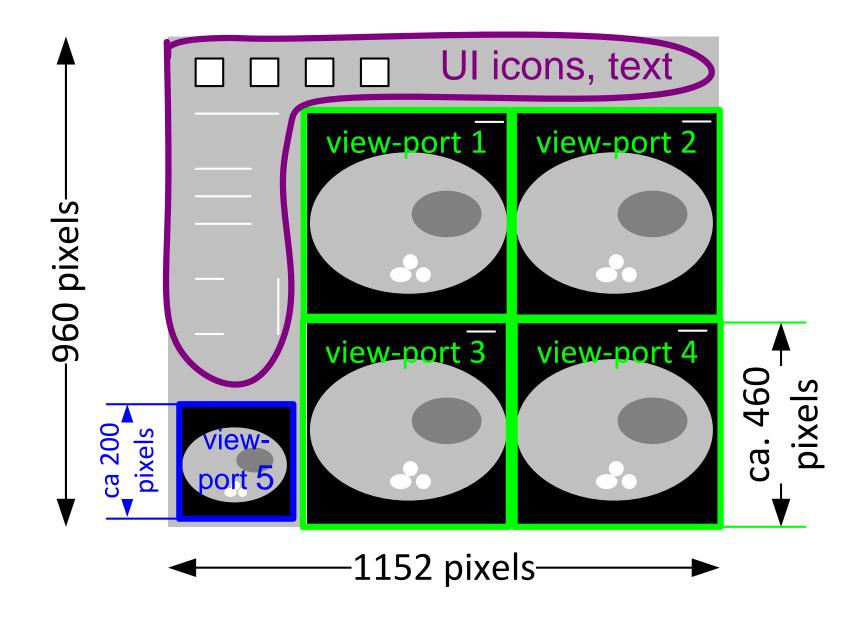


Presentation pipeline for X-ray images



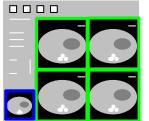


Quadruple view-port screen layout





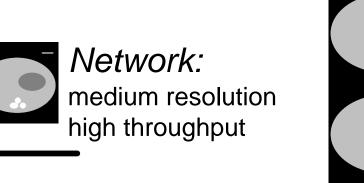
Rendered images at different destinations



Screen: low resolution fast response

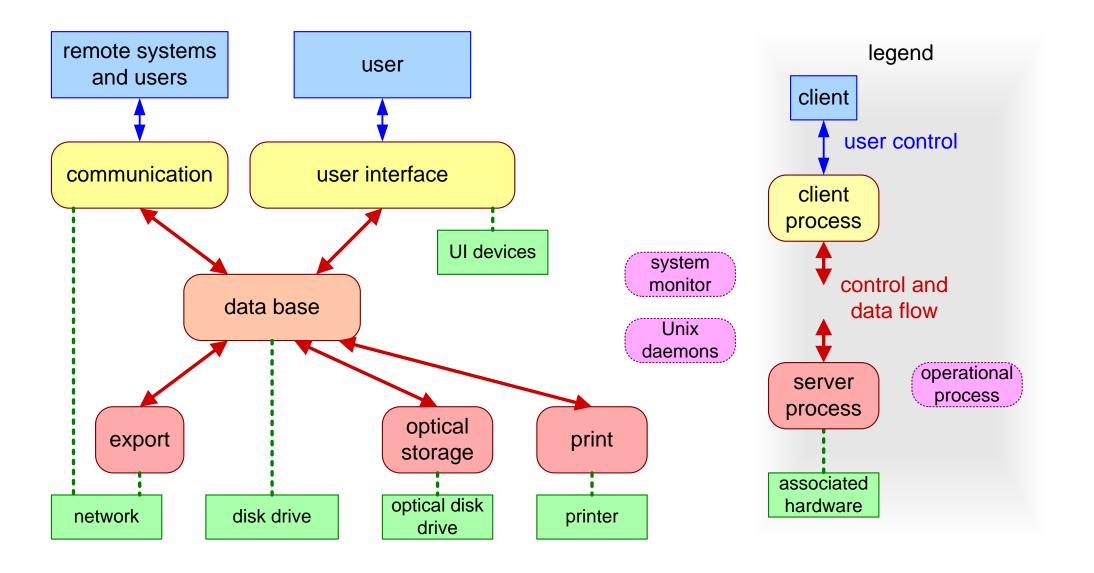


Film: high resolution high throughput





Concurrency via software processes



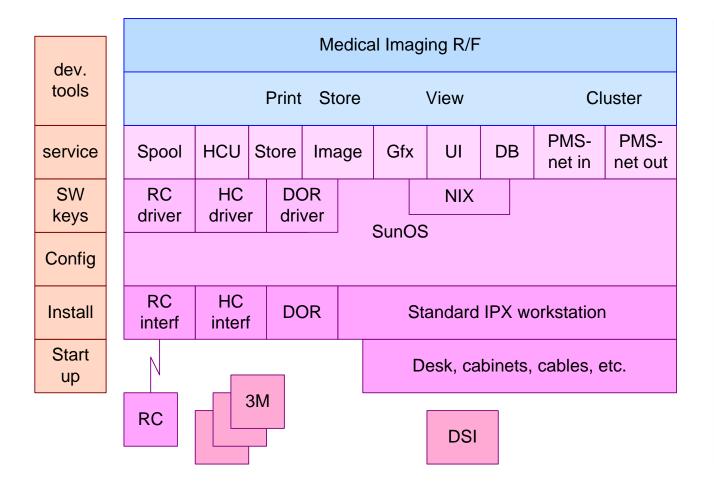


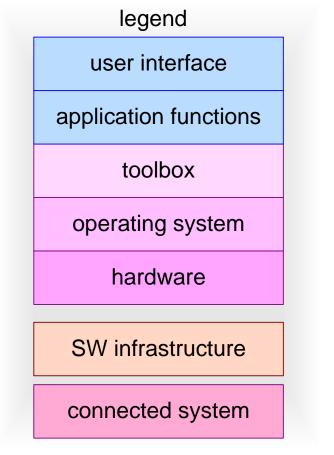
Criterions for process decomposition

- management of concurrency
- management of shared devices
- unit of memory budget (easy measurement)
- enables distribution over multiple processors
- unit of exception handling: fault containment and watchdog monitor



Simplified layering of the software







Memory budget of Easyvision RF R1 and R2

	CC	ode	objec	t data	bulk	data	to	otal
memory budget in Mbytes	R1	R2	R1	R2	R1	R2	R1	R2
shared code UI process database server print server DOR server communication server UNIX commands compute server system monitor	6.0 0.2 0.2 0.4 0.4 1.2 0.2	11.0 0.3 0.3 0.3 0.3 0.3 0.3 0.3	2.0 4.2 2.2 4.2 15.4 0.5	3.0 3.2 1.2 2.0 2.0 0.2 0.5 0.5	7.0 2.0 10.0	12.0 3.0 9.0 1.0 4.0	6.0 14.2 4.4 9.6 6.6 26.6 0.7	11.0 15.3 6.5 10.5 3.3 6.3 0.5 6.8 0.8
application total	8.6	13.4	28.5	12.6	31.0	35.0	66.1	61.0
UNIX file cache							7.0 3.0	10.0 3.0
total							76.1	74.0

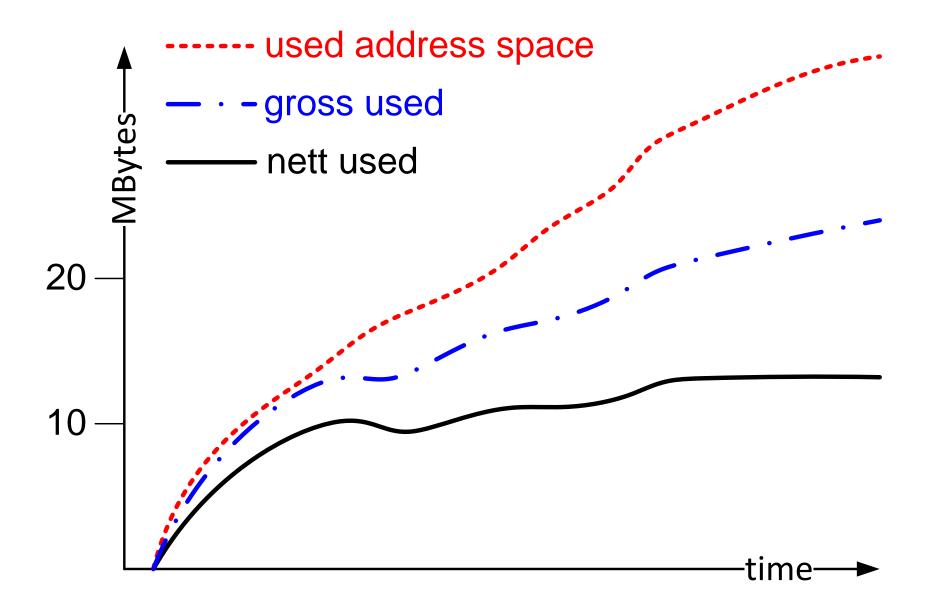


Memory fragmentation

image 1, 256 kB | image 2, 256 kB | image 3, 256 kB legend 1. replace image 3 by image 4 image in use image 3, 256 kB image 1, 256 kB image 3, 256 kB image 1, 256 kB unused memory 2. add image 5 image 3, 256 kB image 1, 256 kB image 5, 256 kB 4 3. replace image 1 by image 6 image 5, 256 kB image 3, 256 kB image 3, 256 kB image 5, 256 kB 6

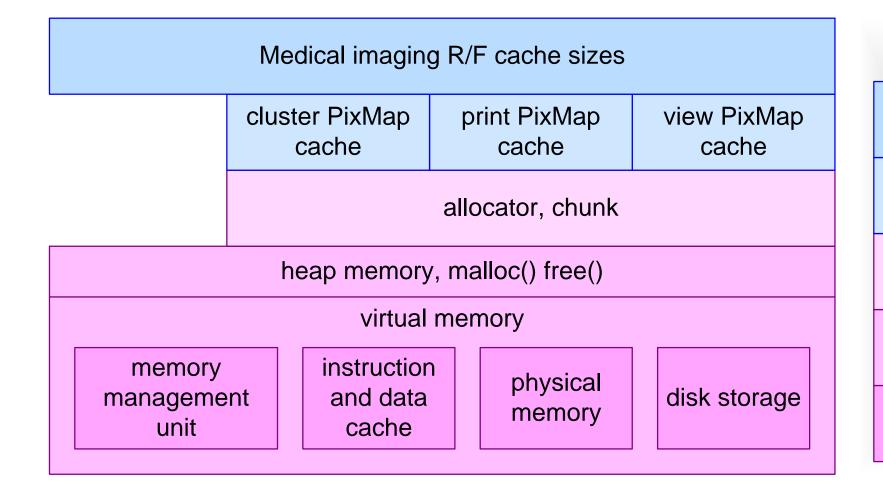


Memory fragmentation increase





Cache layers



legend

user interface

application functions

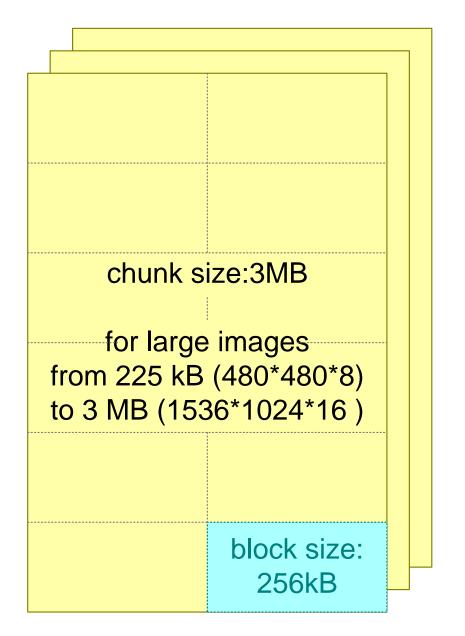
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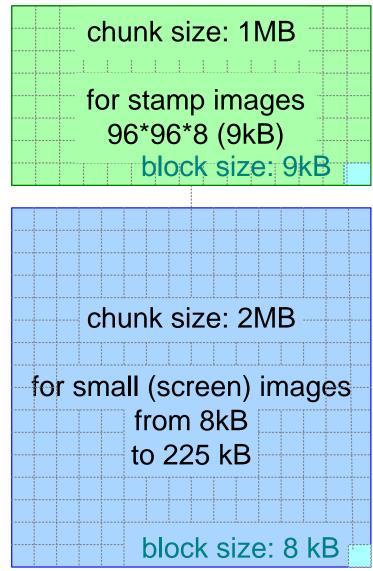
operating system

hardware



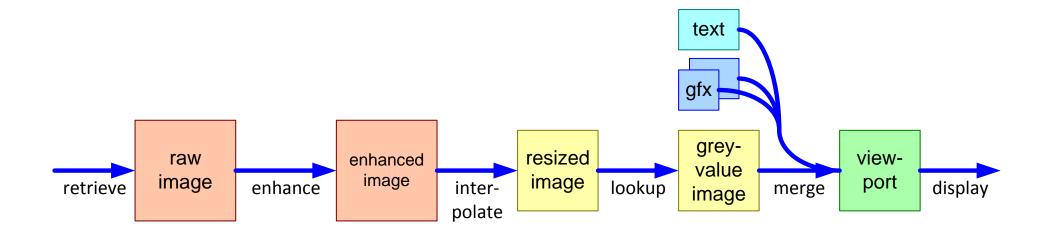
Bulk data memory management memory allocators





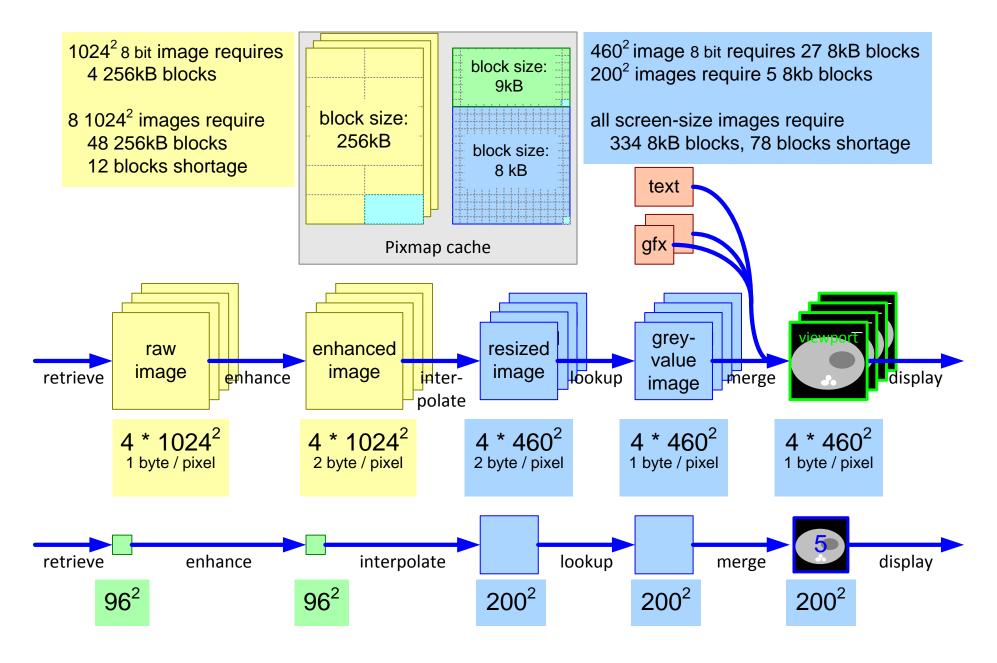


Cached intermediate processing results



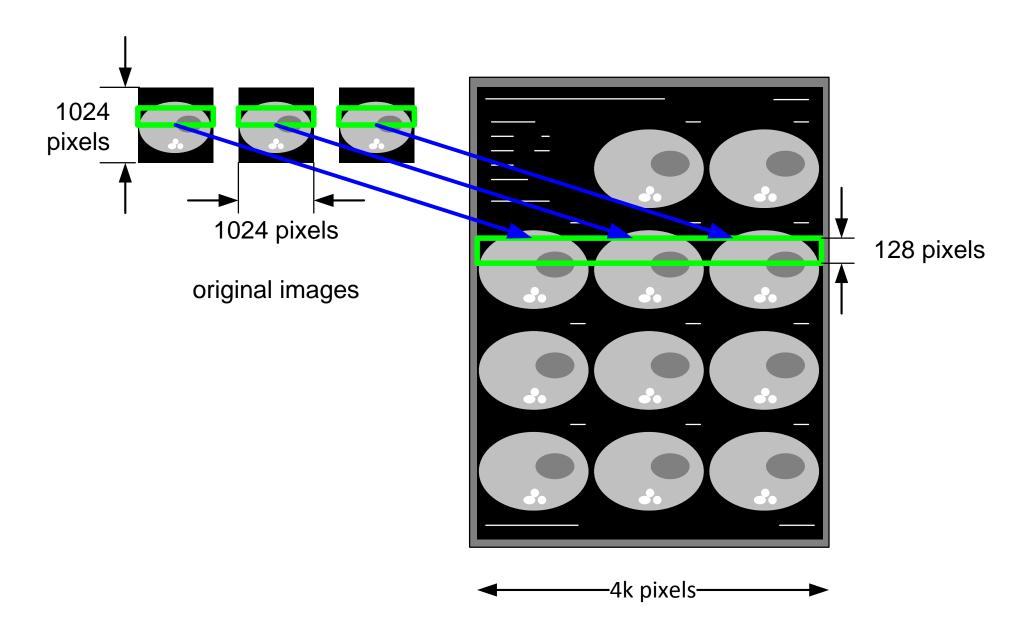


Example of allocator and cache use



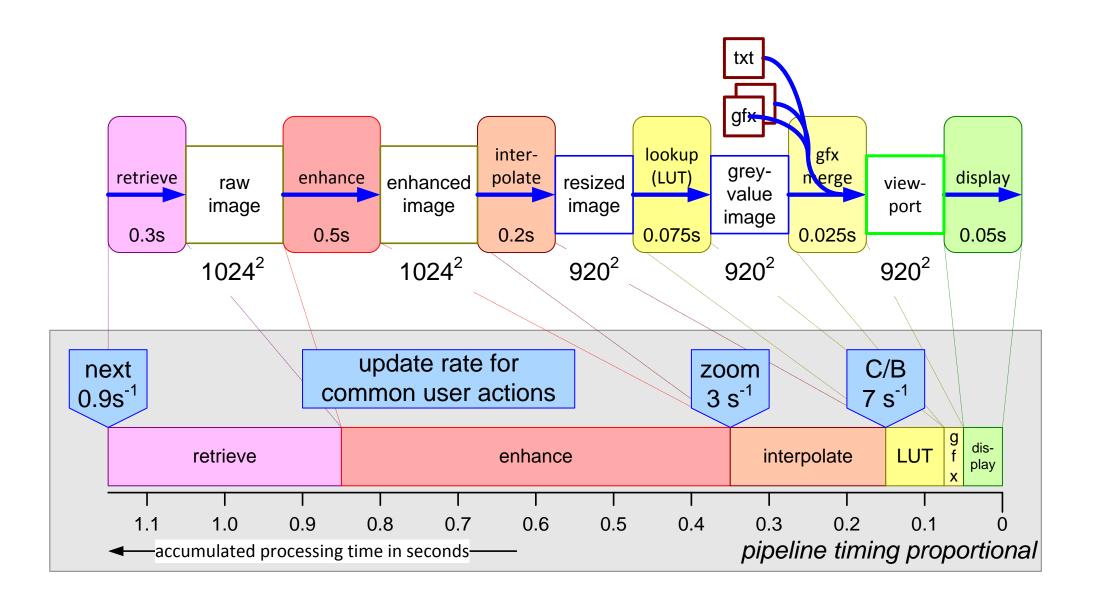


Print server is based on banding



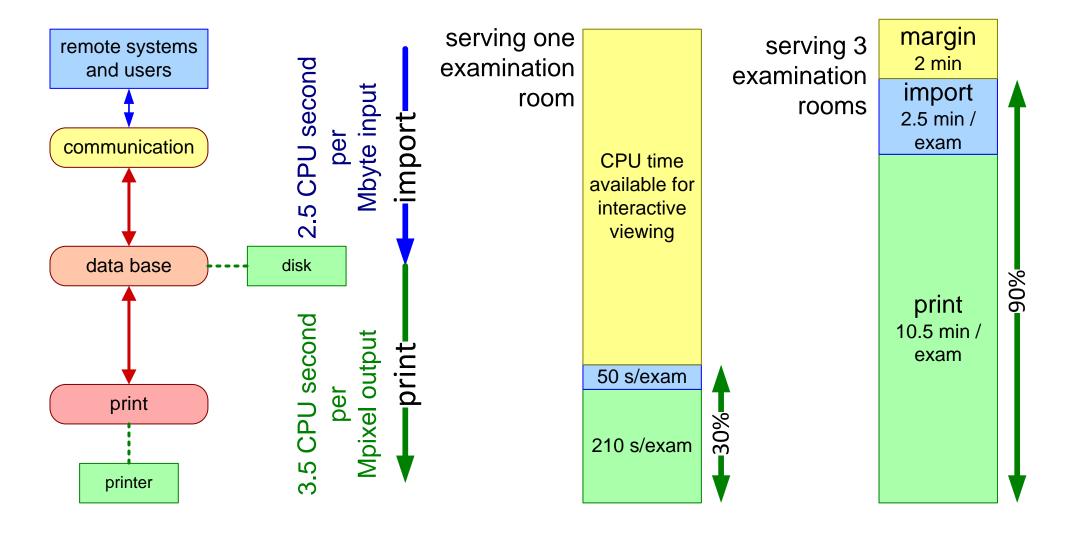


CPU processing times and viewing responsiveness



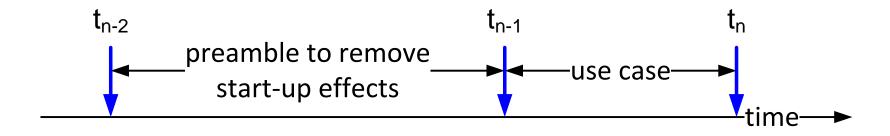


Server CPU load





Resource measurement tools



△ object instantations oit heap memory usage

kernel CPU time ps user CPU time vmstat code memory kernel resource virtual memory stats paging

heapviewer (visualise fragmentation)



Object Instantiation Tracing

class name	current	deleted	created	heap
	nr of	since	since	memory
	objects	t _{n-1}	t _{n-1}	usage
AsynchronousIO	0	-3	+3	
AttributeEntry	237	-1	+5	
BitMap	21	-4	+8	
BoundedFloatingPoint	1034	-3	+22	
BoundedInteger	684	-1	+9	
BtreeNode1	200	-3	+3	[819200]
BulkData	25	0	1	[8388608]
ButtonGadget	34	0	2	
ButtonStack	12	0	1	
ByteArray	156	-4	+12	[13252]



Overview of benchmarks and other measurement tools

	test / benchmark	what, why	accuracy	when
public	SpecInt (by suppliers)	CPU integer	coarse	new hardware
	Byte benchmark	computer platform performance OS, shell, file I/O	coarse	new hardware new OS release
self made	file I/O	file I/O throughput	medium	new hardware
	image processing	CPU, cache, memory as function of image, pixel size	accurate	new hardware
	Objective-C overhead	method call overhead memory overhead	accurate	initial
	socket, network	throughput CPU overhead	accurate	ad hoc
	data base	transaction overhead query behaviour	accurate	ad hoc
	load test	throughput, CPU, memory	accurate	regression



Coverage of submethods of the CR views

Conceptual

construction decomposition
functional decomposition
designing with multiple decompositions
execution architecture
internal interfaces
performance
start up
shutdown
integration plan

work breakdown safety

reliability security

Realization

budget benchmarking performance analysis granularity determination

value and cost

safety analysis reliability analysis security analysis

legend explicitly addressed addressed only implicitly not addressed

coverage based on documentation status of first product release



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