Virtual Memory Lab

Part 1: Using signals

Program makes an illegal memory access

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Library Constructor

Call sigaction to install a signal handler SIGSEGV

OS

Kernel

Install signal handler

Segmentation Fault

Signal handler: print a message, exit program (don't return!)
Part 2: Copy-on-write (lazy copying)

This chunk of memory points to the same physical page as...

Virtual Address Space

Write Causes Segfault

read-only

Physical Memory
Virtual Address Space

Physical Memory

↓ after the copy

Virtual Address Space

Physical Memory