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軟體 is multi-user multitasking. Multi-user means that many users can use the system at the same time. Multitasking means that many programs can run at the same time. Take Windows XP for example, you can run Internet Explorer along side with Microsoft Word, Skype and many other programs. This is an example of multitasking. A multi-user multitasking system is one that allows many users to run many programs at the same time. Unix-like systems and all mainframe systems are multi-user multitasking operating systems. Windows systems in some sense are also that way.

應用程式 is application programs (or simply applications), all the kinds of programs that a user can use directly on a system are applications. So IE is an application, the same is true with Skype, MSN Messenger and many many others.

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