

# Processor

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A **Processor** is an integrated electronic circuit that performs the calculations that run a computer. A processor performs arithmetical, logical, input/output (I/O) and other basic instructions that are passed from an **os**. Most other processes are dependent on the operations of a processor.

The terms processor, **cpu** and microprocessor are commonly linked.

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