Mini OS

Lab One
(Phase One)

Agenda

- How computer works ?
- Review AT&T assembly
- Review pointer arithematic and stack frames in C
- Tools and Material
- Material Review
- Requirements

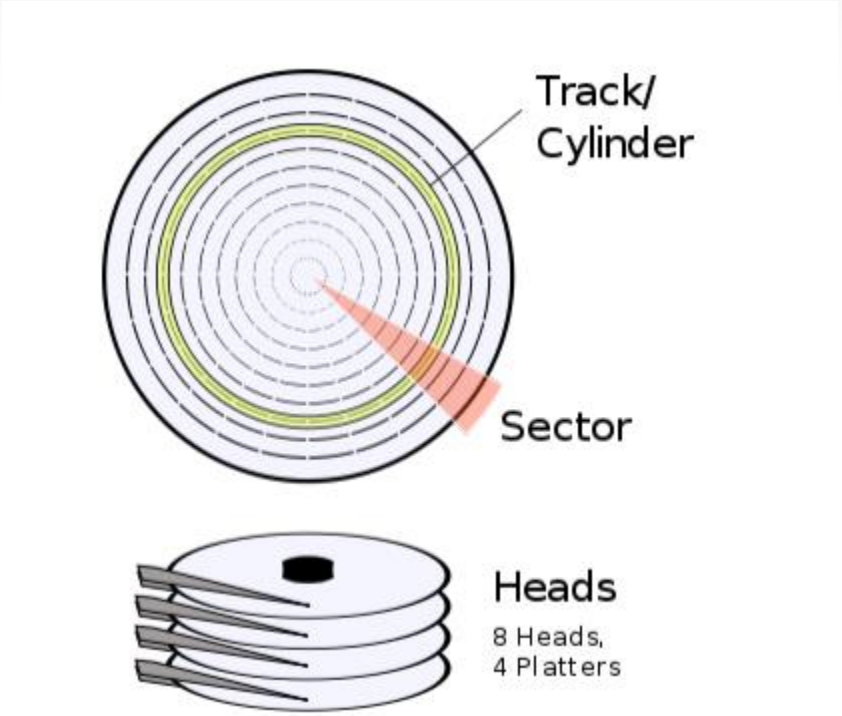
1.How computer works ?

What happens when we power on ?

- The bios starts from a hardwired place in the ROM
- It does some initializations (copy IVT & others)
- Some hardware checking is initiated
- Search for a bootable device (search for a bootloader)

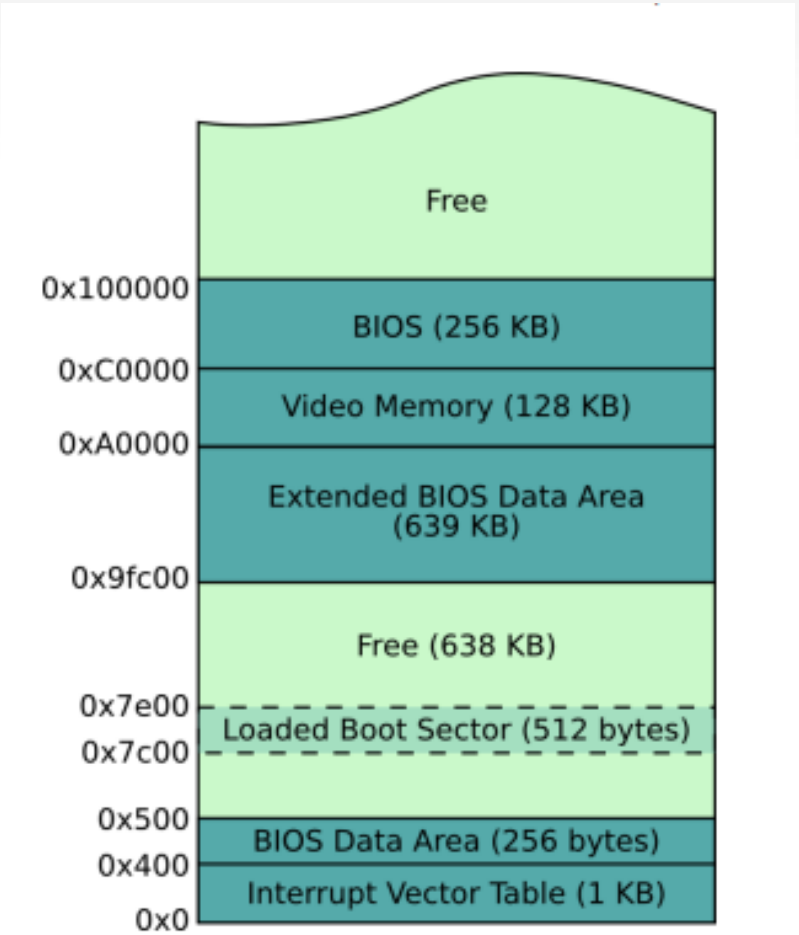
Where to search for bootable device ?!

- BIOS must read specific sectors of data (usually 512 bytes in size) from Cylinder 0, Head 0, Sector 0.*
- It checks for the magic number 0xaa55 at the last two bytes
- Copy this sector to 0x7c00
- Start running the code in realmode (16 bit mode)



Bootloader

- Bootloader runs in16 bit real mode for backward comptability
- Since bootloader is only 512 byte , it is usually used to load another stage with flexible size to load the operating system
- In real Mode , maximum memory we can access is 1 MB so it seeks to transfer to ProtectMode



Real Mode

- Less than 1 MB of RAM is available for use.
- There is no hardware-based memory protection (GDT), nor virtual memory.
- The default CPU operand length is only 16 bits.
- The memory addressing modes provided are more restrictive than other CPU modes.
- Accessing more than 64k requires the use of segment register that are difficult to work with.
- Access memory through "Segment:Offset"

Protected Mode

- No Interrupts
- Allow paging
- Allow protection
- Accessing Memory more than 1MB
- Allow Virtual Memory
- Can work in 32bit mode (and 64 in modern pcs)
- Access memory through "Descriptor:Offset"

GDT, LDT , IDT

- GDT , Global Descriptor table
- LDT , Local Descriptor table
- IDT , Interrupt Descriptor table

we will talk about them later in next lab (phase isA)

Switch from RM to PM

- To make the switch we need to
  - enable A20 line
  - Disable interrupts
  - load GDT , IDT
  - set protected bit to enable
  - far Jmp to 32 instruction using Descriptor:offset
  - Adjust memory mapping (segment registers)
  - Enable interrupts

2. Review At&T assembly

AT&T vs Intel assembly

	AT&T	Intel
Register name	prefixed by "%" i.e. %eax , %ecx,%ebp	written directly eax
src/dest order	source come first, i.e. movl src,dest	destination come first mov dest,src
immediate values	prefix with $,i.e. movl $0xd00dh, %eax	written directly ,i.e mov eax, 0d00dh

operator size specification	each command have to be followed by (l,w,b) to specify the widths of the operands
	(l --> long , w --> word , b --> byte)
	
	movl %eax, %ebx
	movw %ax, %bx
	movb %ah, %bh
		Same command for all sizes and the operand adjust the size if needed
		
		mov ebx , eax
		mov bx , ax
		mov bh ,ah

http://www.delorie.com/djgpp/doc/brennan/brennan_att_inline_djgpp.html

3. Review pointer arithematic and stack frames in C

Remember

- Pointer is an address of a variable
- int arr[] = {1 , 2, 3 , 4 } is a constant pointer to arr
- assume address of arr[0] = 0x100
- int * ptr is a integer pointer
  - ptr = &arr[0] // ptr = 0x100 , *ptr = 1
  - ptr++ // ptr = &arr[1] = 0x104 (size of integer = 4)
  - *ptr = arr[3] // ptr = 0x104 , *ptr=4 , arr[1] = 4
  - int x =*(ptr-1) // x = 1 = arr[0]
  - x= (int)ptr+1 // x = 0x103

- http://pdosnew.csail.mit.edu/6.828/2014/readings/pointers.pdf
- http://www.cs.umd.edu/class/sum2003/cmsc311/Notes/BitOp/pointer.html

4. Tools and Material

Getting Tools (assume Ubuntu)

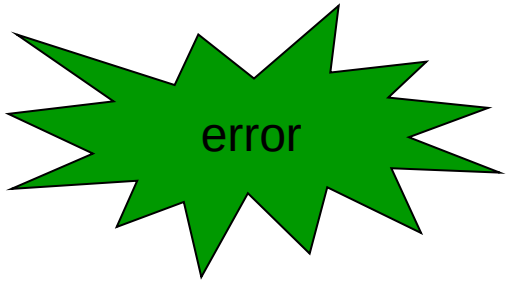
To install some package use the following command

sudo apt-get install package_name

- If you are using Ubuntu , make sure you have the following
  - gcc
  - gdb
  - objdump
  - git
- Qemu (virtual machine)
  - git clone https://github.com/geofft/qemu.git -b 6.828-1.7.0
  - ./configure --disable-kvm [--prefix=PFX] [--target-list="i386-softmmu x86_64-softmmu"]
  - make && make install
- To test your tool chain use the following command

  objdump -i | grep 'elf32-i386'

  the result shouldn't be empty



- For tools usage visit http://pdos.csail.mit.edu/6.828/2014/labguide.html
- if you have any problem in compiler tools please refer to

  http://pdos.csail.mit.edu/6.828/2014/tools.html

Material

- Original Document (if you didn't attend the section it is recommended to use this one)

  http://pdosnew.csail.mit.edu/6.828/2014/labs/lab1/

- Our optimized document version here
- To get first lab material use the following command

  git clone http://pdos.csail.mit.edu/6.828/2014-jos.git lab

you can always refer to the website reference page
it contains valuable resources

5. Material Review

Material structure

- boot/
  - contains the source files to make bootloader
- kern/
  - contains the source files to make kernel
- inc/
  - contain headers , type definitions
- lib/
  - contains our made C library because there is no std
- obj/
  - contains output of make
- user/
  - contains the source files to make user programs
- conf/
  - contains environment configuration , use it if your make file can't locate QEMU

JOS obj/

- When building JOS, the makefile also produces some additional output files that may prove useful while debugging:

  - obj/boot/boot.asm, obj/kern/kernel.asm, obj/user/hello.asm, etc.

  Assembly code listings for the bootloader, kernel, and user programs.

  - obj/kern/kernel.sym, obj/user/hello.sym, etc.

  Symbol tables for the kernel and user programs.

  - obj/boot/boot.out, obj/kern/kernel, obj/user/hello, etc

  Linked ELF images of the kernel and user programs. These contain symbol information that can be used by GDB.

Let's take a look on Make file

- GNUmakefile
  - parent Makefile
- Makefrag
  - bootloader Makefile
- sign.pl
  - it adds the signature to the bootloader in order to be defined
- Good reference for Kbuild Makefiles

http://lwn.net/Articles/21835/

6. Requirements

Required to do :)

- Pick your partner
- Install tools
- Download materials
- Read the material well and answer the questions at each exercise
- Implement the missing code
  - Follow Naming Convention found in CODING file in the material
- For Questions use google first :D , then ask on our emails using the subject [OS][MiniOS]question
- For delivery , attach a Pdf document with questions answers and your whole folder directory as zipped file to our emails with the subject [OS][MiniOS]delivery#1
- **Hint:** kern/Monitor.c contains the interface of our kernel

Questions

- Why we don't Do it from scratch ?
- Why we Do it in first place ?