Programovanie v operačných systémoch 01 - syscalls, IO

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OS

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syscalls

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OS recap

Von Neumann architecture

data and program in the same memory

OS:

- Process management
- Resource management
 - Memory
 - HW
- kernel vs userspace processes
 - kernel run with highest privileges
 - userspace process need to ask the kernel to perform some operations
 - → syscall

Interrupts

- hardware
- software
 - ... used to "invoke OS functions"
- interrupt vector table

Invoking services in kernel - syscall

We need to

- pass parameters to kernel
- actually switch to kernel "process" / thread of execution
- software interrupt (0x80 linux, 0x23 win?)
- special instruction (sysenter, syscall)

Syscall example

```
write(1."ahoi".5):
0000000000040099e <main>:
  4009a2: ba 05 00 00 00
                                        $0x5,%edx
                                 mov
  4009a7: be 84 77 48 00
                                        $0x487784,%esi
                                 mov
  4009ac: bf 01 00 00 00
                                        $0x1.%edi
                                 mov
  4009b1: e8 da 1a 03 00
                                 callq
                                        432490 < libc write>
00000000000432490 < libc write>:
  432490: 83 3d 25 19 28 00 00
                                        $0x0,0x281925(%rip) #<__libc_multiple_threads</pre>
                                 cmpl
  432497: 75 14
                                 ine
                                        4324ad < write nocancel+0x14>
0000000000432499 <__write_nocancel>:
  432499: b8 01 00 00 00
                                 mov
                                        $0x1.%eax
  43249e: 0f 05
                                 svscall
  4324a0: 48 3d 01 f0 ff ff
                                        $0xffffffffffff001,%rax
                                 cmp
  4324a6: 0f 83 74 34 00 00
                                        435920 < syscall error>
                                 iae
  4324ac: c3
                                 reta
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POSIX std / (g)libc (linux impl.)

- C functions for most calls
- syscall fallback takes syscall number as argument
- man syscalls or /usr/include/sys/syscall.h
- return positive number on success (or just zero)
- negative number (-1) on errors
- real error code in global errno variable!
- not all POSIX calls map 1-1 to syscalls
- openddir, readdir vs readdir, getdents

HW communication

- ▶ IO ports
- memory mapped
- DMA

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- open, close, read, write, (seek, ioctl,...)
- file descriptor (handle)
- special device nodes in filesystem



Filesystem

- VFS (virtual filesystem)
- mounted "real" filesystems
- files
 - name, data, metadata
 - inode
 - ▶ open (creat), close, read, write, stat, ...
- directories ("folders")
 - list of entries (files, directories)
 - ▶ open, close, readdir, getdents, ...