Operating Systems Laboratory (CS – 651)

Assignment 1

- 1. Get latest version of Ubuntu installed on your Laptop.
- 2. Get "git" install at your copy of Linux
- 3. Get "qemu" (qemu-system-x86) installed at your copy of Linux
- 4. Clone System xv6 source at your linux (git clone git://github.com/mit-pdos/xv6-public.git)
- 5. To build xv6, a compiler toolchain is needed: compiler, linker, and such. Check whether your Linux already has the toolchain (https://pdos.csail.mit.edu/6.828/2014/tools.html). In case it does not, get the basics installed, apt-get install build-essential gdb.
- 6. Build system xv6 for qemu and run.
- 7. Install other virtualization platforms like virtualbox, VMware player (both free for Linux); build System xv6 for them and run.
- 8. Download the reference manual for System xv6 and study. (https://pdos.csail.mit.edu/6.828/2017/xv6/xv6-rev10.pdf).

After the completion of the Assignment you should be able to

- 1. install linux on a given platform
- 2. install desired packages on linux
- 3. compile system xv6 for a given target machine

Ideas for comprehension

- 1. Hardware, Firmware and BIOS, Software
- 2. Build-Chain Tools (Cross Compiler)
- 3. Booting