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**The Zoom link for the 1-2:30p lecture is in [a Piazza post](#).** Links to notes etc. on future days are copies of materials from 2019 6.S081. We will update the notes as the course progresses. The lecture notes may help you remember the lecture content, but they are *not* a replacement for attending lectures.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
aug 31 Reg Day	sep 1	sep 2 <b>LEC 1 (rtm):</b> <a href="#">Introduction</a> and <a href="#">examples</a> (handouts: <a href="#">xv6 book</a> ) <a href="#">video</a> <b>Preparation:</b> <a href="#">Read chapter 1</a> (for your amusement: <a href="#">Unix</a> ) <b>Homework 1 due:</b> <a href="#">Question</a> <b>Assignment:</b> <a href="#">Lab util: Unix utilities</a>	sep 3	sep 4
sep 7 Labor Day	sep 8	sep 9 <b>LEC 2 (TAs/dm):</b> <a href="#">C</a> and <a href="#">gdb</a> ( <a href="#">pointers example</a> ) <b>Preparation:</b> 2.9 (Bitwise operators) and 5.1 (Pointers and addresses) through 5.6 (Pointer arrays) and 6.4	sep 10 <b>DUE:</b> <a href="#">Lab util</a>	sep 11

		(pointers to structures) by Kernighan and Ritchie (K&R) <b>Assignment:</b> <a href="#">Lab syscall: System calls</a>		
sep 14 <b>LEC 3 (fk):</b> <a href="#">OS organization and system calls (boards) video</a> <b>Preparation:</b> Read <a href="#">chapter 2</a> and xv6 code: <a href="#">kernel/proc.h</a> , <a href="#">kernel/defs.h</a> , <a href="#">kernel/entry.S</a> , <a href="#">kernel/main.c</a> , <a href="#">user/initcode.S</a> , <a href="#">user/init.c</a> , and skim <a href="#">kernel/proc.c</a> and <a href="#">kernel/exec.c</a> <b>Homework 2 due:</b> <a href="#">Question</a>	sep 15	sep 16 <b>LEC 4 (fk):</b> <a href="#">Page tables (boards) video</a> <b>Preparation:</b> Read <a href="#">Chapter 3</a> and <a href="#">kernel/memlayout.h</a> , <a href="#">kernel/vm.c</a> , <a href="#">kernel/kalloc.c</a> , <a href="#">kernel/riscv.h</a> , and <a href="#">kernel/exec.c</a> <b>Homework 3 due:</b> <a href="#">Question</a> <b>Assignment:</b> <a href="#">Lab pgtbl: Page tables</a>	sep 17 <b>DUE:</b> Lab syscall	sep 18
sep 21 <b>LEC 5 (TAs/nk):</b> <a href="#">Calling conventions and stack frames RISC-V (slides) video</a> <b>Preparation:</b> Read <a href="#">Calling Convention</a>	sep 22	sep 23 <b>LEC 6 (rtm):</b> <a href="#">Isolation &amp; system call entry/exit (video)</a> <b>Preparation:</b> Read <a href="#">Chapter 4</a> , except 4.6 and <a href="#">kernel/riscv.h</a> , <a href="#">kernel/trampoline.S</a> , and <a href="#">kernel/trap.c</a> <b>Homework 4 due:</b> <a href="#">Question</a> <b>Assignment:</b> <a href="#">Lab traps: Trap</a>	sep 24 <b>DUE:</b> Lab pgtbl	sep 25
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<b>Preparation:</b> Read <a href="#">kernel/bio.c</a> , <a href="#">kernel/fs.c</a> , <a href="#">kernel/sysfile.c</a> , <a href="#">kernel/file.c</a> and "File system" (except for the logging sections) <b>Homework 12 due:</b> <a href="#">Question</a>		<b>Preparation:</b> Read <a href="#">kernel/log.c</a> and the logging sections of "File system" <b>Homework 13 due:</b> <a href="#">Question</a> <b>Assignment:</b> <a href="#">Lab fs: File system</a>		
nov 2 <b>LEC 16 (rtm):</b> <a href="#">File system performance and fast crash recovery (video)</a> <b>Preparation:</b> Read <a href="#">Journaling the Linux ext2fs Filesystem (1998)</a> <b>Homework 14 due:</b> <a href="#">Question</a>	nov 3	nov 4 <b>LEC 17 (fk):</b> <a href="#">Virtual memory for applications (boards) (sqrt example) (baker example) video</a> <b>Preparation:</b> Read <a href="#">Virtual Memory Primitives for User Programs (1991)</a> <b>Homework 15 due:</b> <a href="#">Question</a> <b>Assignment:</b> <a href="#">Lab mmap: Mmap</a>	nov 5 <b>DUE:</b> Lab fs	nov 6
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