

CSL 301 - Operating System

XV6 - Lab 1

Your turn to add a system call- “Syscall to Reverse a String from the User `strrev()`”

What it does - Takes a string buffer from user-space, reverses it in place.

Step 1: Update `syscall.h`

Assign a unique number (e.g., 25):

#WRITE YOUR CODE HERE

Step 2: Update `syscall.c`

Declare your handler and add to the syscall table:

#WRITE YOUR CODE HERE

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Step 3: Implement in sysproc.c

```
int sys_strrev(void) {
    char *str;
    int len, i;
    if (argstr(0, &str) < 0 || argint(1, &len) < 0)
        return -1;

    // Simple in-place reversal
    for (i = 0; i < len/2; i++) {
        char tmp = str[i];
        str[i] = str[len - i - 1];
        str[len - i - 1] = tmp;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Step 4: Add Prototype to user.h named as strrev()

return type for `strrev()` is `int` and it takes two parameters - 1. pointer to char and 2. integer parameter for length

```
#WRITE YOUR CODE HERE
```

Step 5: Add Assembly Stub to usys.S

```
#WRITE YOUR CODE HERE
```

Step 6: User Test Program (teststrrev.c)

```
#include "types.h"
#include "stat.h"
#include "user.h"

int main(void) {
    char buf[32] = "Write your full name here"; //this
string will be passed to our newly created system call
    printf(1, "Before: %s\n", buf);
    strrev(buf, strlen(buf)); //passing string and string
length
    printf(1, "After: %s\n", buf);
    exit();
}
```

Add to your Makefile's UPROGS as _teststrrev.