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Question **1**

Partially correct

Mark 0.38 out of 0.50

xv6.img: bootblock kernel

```
dd if=/dev/zero of=xv6.img count=10000
```

```
dd if=bootblock of=xv6.img conv=notrunc
```

```
dd if=kernel of=xv6.img seek=1 conv=notrunc
```

Consider above lines from the Makefile. Which of the following is INCORRECT?

- ☐ a. The kernel is located at block-1 of the xv6.img
- ☒ b. The size of xv6.img is exactly = (size of bootblock) + (size of kernel) ✓
- ☐ c. The bootblock is located on block-0 of the xv6.img
- ☐ d. The size of the xv6.img is nearly 5 MB
- ☒ e. xv6.img is the virtual processor used by the qemu emulator ✓
- ☐ f. The xv6.img is the virtual disk that is created by combining the bootblock and the kernel file.
- ☐ g. The bootblock may be 512 bytes or less (looking at the Makefile instruction)
- ☐ h. The xv6.img is of the size 10,000 blocks of 512 bytes each and occupies upto 10,000 blocks on the disk.
- ☒ i. The size of the kernel file is nearly 5 MB ✓
- ☐ j. The xv6.img is of the size 10,000 blocks of 512 bytes each and occupies 10,000 blocks on the disk.
- ☐ k. Blocks in xv6.img after kernel may be all zeroes.

Your answer is partially correct.

You have correctly selected 3.

The correct answers are: xv6.img is the virtual processor used by the qemu emulator, The xv6.img is of the size 10,000 blocks of 512 bytes each and occupies upto 10,000 blocks on the disk., The size of the kernel file is nearly 5 MB, The size of xv6.img is exactly = (size of bootblock) + (size of kernel)

Question **2**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

The trapframe, in xv6, is built by the

- ☐ a. hardware, vectors.S, trapasm.S, trap()
- ☐ b. hardware, vectors.S
- ☒ c. hardware, vectors.S, trapasm.S ✓
- ☐ d. hardware, trapasm.S
- ☐ e. vectors.S, trapasm.S

The correct answer is: hardware, vectors.S, trapasm.S

Question **3**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

The ljmp instruction in general does

- ☐ a. change the CS and EIP to 32 bit mode, and jumps to next line of code
- ☒ b. change the CS and EIP to 32 bit mode, and jumps to new value of EIP ✓
- ☐ c. change the CS and EIP to 32 bit mode
- ☐ d. change the CS and EIP to 32 bit mode, and jumps to kernel code

The correct answer is: change the CS and EIP to 32 bit mode, and jumps to new value of EIP

Question **4**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

What's the trapframe in xv6?

- ☒ a. The sequence of values, including saved registers, constructed on the stack when an interrupt occurs, built by hardware + code in trapasm.S ✓
- ☐ b. The sequence of values, including saved registers, constructed on the stack when an interrupt occurs, built by code in trapasm.S only
- ☐ c. A frame of memory that contains all the trap handler code
- ☐ d. The sequence of values, including saved registers, constructed on the stack when an interrupt occurs, built by hardware only
- ☐ e. A frame of memory that contains all the trap handler's addresses
- ☐ f. The IDT table
- ☐ g. A frame of memory that contains all the trap handler code's function pointers

Your answer is correct.

The correct answer is: The sequence of values, including saved registers, constructed on the stack when an interrupt occurs, built by hardware + code in trapasm.S

Question 5

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Suppose a processor supports base(relocation register) + limit scheme of MMU.

Assuming this, mark the statements as True/False

True	False		
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	The compiler generates machine code assuming continuous memory address space for process, and calculating appropriate sizes for code, and data;	✓
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	The OS sets up the relocation and limit registers when the process is scheduled	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The compiler generates machine code assuming appropriately sized segments for code, data and stack.	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The process sets up it's own relocation and limit registers when the process is scheduled	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The hardware may terminate the process while handling the interrupt of memory violation	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The OS detects any memory access beyond the limit value and raises an interrupt	✓
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	The OS may terminate the process while handling the interrupt of memory violation	✓
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	The hardware detects any memory access beyond the limit value and raises an interrupt	✓

The compiler generates machine code assuming continuous memory address space for process, and calculating appropriate sizes for code, and data.: True

The OS sets up the relocation and limit registers when the process is scheduled: True

The compiler generates machine code assuming appropriately sized segments for code, data and stack.: False

The process sets up it's own relocation and limit registers when the process is scheduled: False

The hardware may terminate the process while handling the interrupt of memory violation: False

The OS detects any memory access beyond the limit value and raises an interrupt: False

The OS may terminate the process while handling the interrupt of memory violation: True

The hardware detects any memory access beyond the limit value and raises an interrupt: True

Question **6**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

```
int value = 5;
int main()
{
    pid_t pid;
    pid = fork();
    if (pid == 0) { /* child process */
        value += 15;
        return 0;
    }
    else if (pid > 0) { /* parent process */
        wait(NULL);
        printf("%d", value); /* LINE A */
    }
    return 0;
}
```

What's the value printed here at LINE A?

Answer: ✓

The correct answer is: 5

Question **7**

Partially correct

Mark 0.50 out of 1.00

Select all the correct statements about calling convention on x86 32-bit.

- ☒ a. The two lines in the beginning of each function, "push %ebp; mov %esp, %ebp", create space for local variables ✗
- ☐ b. Parameters are pushed on the stack in left-right order
- ☒ c. Return address is one location above the ebp ✓
- ☒ d. The return value is either stored on the stack or returned in the eax register ✗
- ☐ e. Space for local variables is allocated by subtracting the stack pointer inside the code of the caller function
- ☒ f. The ebp pointers saved on the stack constitute a chain of activation records ✓
- ☒ g. Parameters may be passed in registers or on stack ✓
- ☒ h. Space for local variables is allocated by subtracting the stack pointer inside the code of the called function ✓
- ☒ i. Compiler may allocate more memory on stack than needed ✓
- ☒ j. Parameters may be passed in registers or on stack ✓
- ☒ k. during execution of a function, ebp is pointing to the old ebp ✓

Your answer is partially correct.

You have selected too many options.

The correct answers are: Compiler may allocate more memory on stack than needed, Parameters may be passed in registers or on stack, Parameters may be passed in registers or on stack, Return address is one location above the ebp, during execution of a function, ebp is pointing to the old ebp, Space for local variables is allocated by subtracting the stack pointer inside the code of the called function, The ebp pointers saved on the stack constitute a chain of activation records

Question 8

Partially correct

Mark 0.33 out of 0.50

Select all the correct statements about zombie processes

Select one or more:

- ☐ a. Zombie processes are harmless even if OS is up for long time
- ☒ b. `init()` typically keeps calling `wait()` for zombie processes to get cleaned up ✓
- ☒ c. A process becomes zombie when it finishes, and remains zombie until parent calls `wait()` on it ✓
- ☒ d. A zombie process occupies space in OS data structures ✓
- ☐ e. A zombie process remains zombie forever, as there is no way to clean it up
- ☒ f. If the parent of a process finishes, before the process itself, then after finishing the process is typically attached to 'init' as parent ✓
- ☒ g. A process becomes zombie when it's parent finishes ✗
- ☒ h. A process can become zombie if it finishes, but the parent has finished before it ✓

Your answer is partially correct.

You have selected too many options.

The correct answers are: A process becomes zombie when it finishes, and remains zombie until parent calls `wait()` on it, A process can become zombie if it finishes, but the parent has finished before it, A zombie process occupies space in OS data structures, If the parent of a process finishes, before the process itself, then after finishing the process is typically attached to 'init' as parent, `init()` typically keeps calling `wait()` for zombie processes to get cleaned up

Question 9

Partially correct

Mark 0.86 out of 1.00

Mark the statements as True/False w.r.t. the basic concepts of memory management.

True	False		
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	The kernel ensures that the MMU is setup before scheduling a process and then the CPU/MMU ensures that the address translation takes place.	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The compiler generates address references for code/data/stack/heap in the executable file, depending on the MM architecture provided by CPU and kernel.	✗
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	When a process is executing, each virtual address is converted into physical address by the CPU hardware directly.	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	When a process is executing, each virtual address is converted into physical address by the kernel directly.	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The compiler interacts with the kernel continuously while compiling a program and obtains the correct set of memory addresses for code/stack/heap/data and then generates the machine code file.	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The kernel refers to the page table for converting each virtual address to physical address.	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The compiler generates the address references for code/data/stack/heap in the executable file as per the memory management schema chosen by the compiler itself, and then the kernel ensures that program is executed with this schema.	✓

The kernel ensures that the MMU is setup before scheduling a process and then the CPU/MMU ensures that the address translation takes place.: True

The compiler generates address references for code/data/stack/heap in the executable file, depending on the MM architecture provided by CPU and kernel.: True

When a process is executing, each virtual address is converted into physical address by the CPU hardware directly.: True

When a process is executing, each virtual address is converted into physical address by the kernel directly.: False

The compiler interacts with the kernel continuously while compiling a program and obtains the correct set of memory addresses for code/stack/heap/data and then generates the machine code file.: False

The kernel refers to the page table for converting each virtual address to physical address.: False

The compiler generates the address references for code/data/stack/heap in the executable file as per the memory management schema chosen by the compiler itself, and then the kernel ensures that program is executed with this schema.: False

Question **10**

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 0.50

The variable 'end' used as argument to kinit1 has the value

- ☐ a. 80000000
- ☐ b. 81000000
- ☐ c. 80102da0
- ☐ d. 8010a48c
- ☐ e. 801154a8
- ☒ f. 80110000 ❌

The correct answer is: 801154a8

Question **11**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

Some part of the bootloader of xv6 is written in assembly while some part is written in C. Why is that so?
Select all the appropriate choices

- ☒ a. The setting up of the most essential memory management infrastructure needs assembly code ✔️
- ☐ b. The code for reading ELF file can not be written in assembly
- ☒ c. The code in assembly is required for transition to protected mode, from real mode; after that calling convention applies, hence code can be written in C ✔️
- ☐ d. The code in assembly is required for transition to protected mode, from real mode; but calling convention was applicable all the time

Your answer is correct.

The correct answers are: The code in assembly is required for transition to protected mode, from real mode; after that calling convention applies, hence code can be written in C, The setting up of the most essential memory management infrastructure needs assembly code

Question **12**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

How does the distinction between kernel mode and user mode function as a rudimentary form of protection (security) ?

Select one:

- ☐ a. It prohibits one process from accessing other process's memory
- ☒ b. It prohibits a user mode process from running privileged instructions ✓
- ☐ c. It prohibits invocation of kernel code completely, if a user program is running
- ☐ d. It disallows hardware interrupts when a process is running

Your answer is correct.

The correct answer is: It prohibits a user mode process from running privileged instructions

Question **13**

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 0.50

The variable \$stack in entry.S is

- ☐ a. located at less than 0x7c00
- ☐ b. located at 0
- ☐ c. a memory region allocated as a part of entry.S
- ☒ d. located at the value given by %esp as setup by bootmain() ✗
- ☐ e. located at 0x7c00

The correct answer is: a memory region allocated as a part of entry.S

Question **14**

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 0.50

The kernel is loaded at Physical Address

- ☐ a. 0x80100000
- ☐ b. 0x00100000
- ☒ c. 0x0010000 ✗
- ☐ d. 0x80000000

The correct answer is: 0x00100000

Question **15**

Partially correct

Mark 0.25 out of 1.00

Select all the correct statements about MMU and its functionality (on a non-demand paged system)

Select one or more:

- ☒ a. The Operating system sets up relevant CPU registers to enable proper MMU translations ✓
- ☒ b. MMU is inside the processor ✓
- ☐ c. Illegal memory access is detected in hardware by MMU and a trap is raised
- ☐ d. MMU is a separate chip outside the processor
- ☐ e. Logical to physical address translations in MMU are done in hardware, automatically
- ☒ f. Illegal memory access is detected by operating system ✗
- ☐ g. Logical to physical address translations in MMU are done with specific machine instructions
- ☐ h. The operating system interacts with MMU for every single address translation

Your answer is partially correct.

You have correctly selected 2.

The correct answers are: MMU is inside the processor, Logical to physical address translations in MMU are done in hardware, automatically, The Operating system sets up relevant CPU registers to enable proper MMU translations, Illegal memory access is detected in hardware by MMU and a trap is raised

Question **16**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

Which of the following state transitions are not possible?

- ☒ a. Ready -> Waiting ✓
- ☒ b. Waiting -> Terminated ✓
- ☐ c. Running -> Waiting
- ☒ d. Ready -> Terminated ✓

The correct answers are: Ready -> Terminated, Waiting -> Terminated, Ready -> Waiting

Question 17

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Consider the image given below, which explains how paging works.

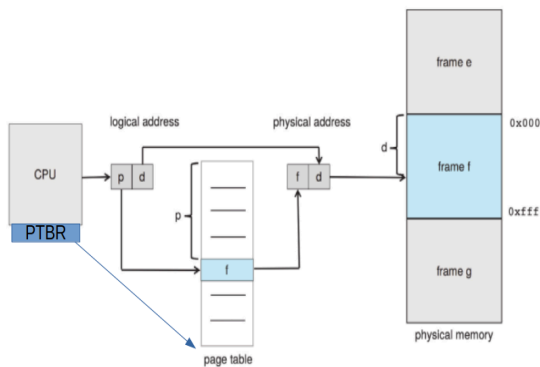


Figure 9.8 Paging hardware.

Mention whether each statement is True or False, with respect to this image.

True	False		
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The locating of the page table using PTBR also involves paging translation	✓
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	The PTBR is present in the CPU as a register	✓
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	The physical address may not be of the same size (in bits) as the logical address	✓
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	The page table is indexed using page number	✓
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Maximum Size of page table is determined by number of bits used for page number	✓
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	The page table is itself present in Physical memory	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Size of page table is always determined by the size of RAM	✓
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	The page table is indexed using frame number	✓

The locating of the page table using PTBR also involves paging translation: False

The PTBR is present in the CPU as a register: True

The physical address may not be of the same size (in bits) as the logical address: True

The page table is indexed using page number: True

Maximum Size of page table is determined by number of bits used for page number: True

The page table is itself present in Physical memory: True

Size of page table is always determined by the size of RAM: False

The page table is indexed using frame number: False

Question **18**

Partially correct

Mark 0.45 out of 0.50

Match the elements of C program to their place in memory

Local Static variables	Data	✓
#include files	No Memory needed	✗
Mallocated Memory	Heap	✓
Local Variables	Stack	✓
Arguments	Stack	✓
Function code	Code	✓
Code of main()	Code	✓
Global Static variables	Data	✓
Global variables	Data	✓
#define MACROS	No Memory needed	✓

The correct answer is: Local Static variables → Data, #include files → No memory needed, Mallocated Memory → Heap, Local Variables → Stack, Arguments → Stack, Function code → Code, Code of main() → Code, Global Static variables → Data, Global variables → Data, #define MACROS → No Memory needed

Question **19**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

Match the register pairs

IP	CS	✓
BP	SS	✓
SP	SS	✓
DI	DS	✓
SI	DS	✓

The correct answer is: IP → CS, BP → SS, SP → SS, DI → DS, SI → DS

Question **20**

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Match the program with it's output (ignore newlines in the output. Just focus on the count of the number of 'hi')

```
main() { execl("/usr/bin/echo", "/usr/bin/echo", "hi\n", NULL); }
```

hi



```
main() { int i = fork(); if(i == 0) execl("/usr/bin/echo", "/usr/bin/echo", "hi\n", NULL); }
```

hi



```
main() { fork(); execl("/usr/bin/echo", "/usr/bin/echo", "hi\n", NULL); }
```

hi hi



```
main() { int i = NULL; fork(); printf("hi\n"); }
```

hi hi



Your answer is correct.

The correct answer is: `main() { execl("/usr/bin/echo", "/usr/bin/echo", "hi\n", NULL); }` → hi, `main() { int i = fork(); if(i == 0) execl("/usr/bin/echo", "/usr/bin/echo", "hi\n", NULL); }` → hi, `main() { fork(); execl("/usr/bin/echo", "/usr/bin/echo", "hi\n", NULL); }` → hi hi, `main() { int i = NULL; fork(); printf("hi\n"); }` → hi hi

Question **21**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

Match the File descriptors to their meaning

0 Standard Input

2 Standard error

1 Standard output

The correct answer is: 0 → Standard Input, 2 → Standard error, 1 → Standard output

Question **22**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

The number of GDT entries setup during boot process of xv6 is

- ☒ a. 3
- ☐ b. 4
- ☐ c. 0
- ☐ d. 2
- ☐ e. 255
- ☐ f. 256

The correct answer is: 3

Question **23**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

The right side of line of code "entry = (void*)(void))(elf->entry)" means

- ☐ a. Get the "entry" in ELF structure and convert it into a function void pointer
- ☒ b. Get the "entry" in ELF structure and convert it into a function pointer accepting no arguments and returning nothing ✓
- ☐ c. Convert the "entry" in ELF structure into void
- ☐ d. Get the "entry" in ELF structure and convert it into a void pointer

The correct answer is: Get the "entry" in ELF structure and convert it into a function pointer accepting no arguments and returning nothing

Question **24**

Correct

Mark 0.50 out of 0.50

A process blocks itself means

- ☐ a. The kernel code of system call calls scheduler
- ☒ b. The kernel code of system call, called by the process, moves the process to a waiting queue and calls scheduler ✓
- ☐ c. The application code calls the scheduler
- ☐ d. The kernel code of an interrupt handler, moves the process to a waiting queue and calls scheduler

The correct answer is: The kernel code of system call, called by the process, moves the process to a waiting queue and calls scheduler

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