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Assignment 0219 Feedback

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CSI: OS

3a — You were definitely able to get around the assorted operating systems, but some of your evidence could have been more direct than they were. Specific examples: your firmware evidence mainly showed installation or download lists; screenshots that you know to be firmware activities (e.g., boot selection, very low-level configuration, etc.) are preferable. You only spotted the exact active kernel files on Linux, with less direct evidence for Mac OS X and Windows. Finally, you didn't quite spot the startup scripts or files on Linux and Mac OS X—Linux was the kernel configuration menu, and Mac OS X showed *login* items, not startup items (i.e., items that are triggered at *boot* time and not when a user logs in). It's a decent effort, but not an absolute slam dunk. (|)

System Call Practice

2d — You invoked one system call successfully, but it was `exit` and ultimately is of limited use. I realize that your virtual machine set up was somewhat problematic, so there will certainly be no prejudice if you work this out later, but for now this is necessarily a /. (/)

4a — The code you wrote did work, but you need to write a couple more, with greater functionality. (/)

4b — Not much here with regard to separation of concerns, but nothing egregious either. (|)

4c — Your code was readable but its source file was not appropriately named. Still, you probably did set out to do `my-uname` but got stalled along the way, so no huge deal. (|)

Both

4d — Resource/information search was better with CSI: OS than System Call Practice, but even in the former I think there were some missed opportunities. (|)

4e — Your CSI: OS commits look pretty much the way I would have done them, but for System Call Practice, the build product `a.out` should not have landed. (|)

4f — Mostly turned in on time, but System Call Practice can use more work. (|)