CS 344: OPERATING SYSTEMS LABS GROUP 12

ASSIGNMENT_0A-1

220123029	KAVURI VEDA VARSHA
220123030	KODIBOYINA LEELA VARSHINI
220123031	KOJJA VAMSI KRISHNA
220123052	RAMINENI HARDHIKA

EXERCISE 1:

Modified code for ex1.c is as follows:

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2 int main(int argc, char **argv)
3 {
4
          int x = 1;
          printf("Hello x = %d\n", x);
5
6
          asm ("movl %1, %0;":"=r"(x):"r"(x+1):);
          printf("Hello x = %d after increment\n", x);
7
          if(x == 2) printf("OK\n");
8
          else printf("ERROR\n");
9
10 }
```

Output:

```
guest@iitg-Vostro-3910:~/Desktop/hardy$ gcc ex1.c
guest@iitg-Vostro-3910:~/Desktop/hardy$ ./a.out
Hello x = 1
Hello x = 2 after increment
OK
```

Explanation:

The format of GNU assembler assembly code in C is:

asm [volatile](AssemblerTemplate

```
: Output Operands[: Input Operands[: Clobbers ]])
```

In asm: %0 -> first variable(here x), %1 -> second variable(here x+1)

movl src, dst moves the contents of source to destination.

The "r" in the operand constraint string indicates that the operand must be located in a register. Each output operand must have "="

in its constraint.

EXERCISE 2:

When executing the 'si' command multiple times, we observed that:

Upon a processor reset, the processor switches to real mode, setting the Code Segment (CS) to 0xf000 and the IP to 0xfff0. This configuration causes execution to start at the address specified by these segment registers (CS:IP). Then the BIOS jumps backward to an earlier location in the BIOS.

'lidtl' command sets up an interrupt descriptor table and 'lgdtl' sets up a global descriptor table. Along with this, it initializes various devices such as the VGA display.

```
(gdb) source .gdbinit
+ target remote localhost:26000
warning: No executable has been specified and target does not support
determining executable automatically. Try using the "file" command.
The target architecture is assumed to be i8086
[f000:fff0]
             0xffff0: ljmp $0x3630,$0xf000e05b
0x0000fff0 in ?? ()
+ symbol-file kernel
warning: A handler for the OS ABI "GNU/Linux" is not built into this
configuration
of GDB. Attempting to continue with the default i8086 settings.
(gdb) si
[f000:e05b]
             0xfe05b: cmpw $0xffc8,%cs:(%esi)
0x0000e05b in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:e062]
             0xfe062: jne
                             0xd241d416
0x0000e062 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:e066] 0xfe066: xor
                             %edx,%edx
0x0000e066 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:e068] 0xfe068: mov
                              %edx,%ss
0x0000e068 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:e06a] 0xfe06a: mov
                              $0x7000,%sp
0x0000e06a in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:e070]
             0xfe070: mov
                             $0x2d4e,%dx
0x0000e070 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
              0xfe076: jmp
[f000:e076]
                             0x5575ff02
0x0000e076 in ?? ()
```

```
(gdb) si
[f000:ff00]
             0xfff00: cli
0x0000ff00 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff01]
             0xfff01: cld
0x0000ff01 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff02]
             0xfff02: mov
                              %ax,%cx
0x0000ff02 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff05]
             0xfff05: mov
                              $0x8f,%ax
0x0000ff05 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff0b]
             0xfff0b: out
                              %al,$0x70
0x0000ff0b in ?? ()
(gdb) si
             0xfff0d: in
[f000:ff0d]
                              $0x71,%al
0x0000ff0d in ?? ()
(gdb) si
             0xfff0f: in
                              $0x92,%al
[f000:ff0f]
0x0000ff0f in ?? ()
(gdb) si
             0xfff11: or
[f000:ff11]
                              $0x2,%al
0x0000ff11 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff13] 0xfff13: out
                              %al,$0x92
0x0000ff13 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff15]
             0xfff15: mov
                              %cx,%ax
0x0000ff15 in >> ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff18] 0xfff18: lidtl %cs:(%esi)
0x0000ff18 in ?? ()
```

```
(gdb) si
[f000:ff1e] 0xfff1e: lgdtl lgdtl %cs:(%esi)
0x0000ff1e in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff24]
             0xfff24: mov
                            %cr0,%ecx
0x0000ff24 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff27]
            0xfff27: and
                            $0xffff,%cx
0x0000ff27 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff2e]
            0xfff2e: or
                            $0x1,%cx
0x0000ff2e in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff32] 0xfff32: mov
                            %ecx,%cr0
0x0000ff32 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:ff35] 0xfff35: ljmpw $0xf,$0xff3d
0x0000ff35 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
The target architecture is assumed to be i386
0x000fff3d in ?? ()
(gdb) si
=> 0xfff42: mov
                 %ecx,%ds
```

EXERCISE 3:

Observations:

In tracing the readsect()and bootmain() functions in bootmain.c and the bootblock.asm assembly code:

- 1. The loop starts at address 0x7d8f. The entry condition is checked at 0x7d83; if true, the jmp at 0x7d8d directs execution to the loop at 0x7d96. Subsequent iterations of the loop run from 0x7d8f to 0x7db4.
- 2. The loop ends at address 0x7db4. Just before exiting, the jbe instruction at 0x7d94 is executed if the loop continuation condition at 0x7d92 is not met.
- 3. After the loop, execution moves to address 0x7d87, where a call to the entry() function is made. Setting a breakpoint at 0x7d87, and continuing execution, shows that the last instruction executed iscall *0x10018 . Using si after this instruction leads to entering the kernel at address 0x0010000c, as shown in the output image.

```
for(; ph < eph; ph++){
   7d83: 39 f3
                                        %esi,%ebx
   7d85: 72 0f
                                        7d96 <bootmain+0x5b>
 entry();
   7d87: ff 15 18 00 01 00
                                 call
                                        *0x10018
   7d8d: eb d5
                                        7d64 <bootmain+0x29>
                                  jmp
 for(; ph < eph; ph++){
   7d8f: 83 c3 20
                                        $0x20,%ebx
   7d92: 39 de
                                        %ebx,%esi
   7d94: 76 f1
                                 jbe
                                        7d87 <bootmain+0x4c>
   pa = (uchar*)ph->paddr;
   7d96: 8b 7b 0c
                                        0xc(%ebx),%edi
   readseg(pa, ph->filesz, ph->off);
   7d99: ff 73 04
                                 pushl 0x4(%ebx)
   7d9c: ff 73 10
                                 pushl 0x10(%ebx)
   7d9f: 57
                                 push %edi
   7da0: e8 53 ff ff ff
                                 call
                                        7cf8 < readseg>
   if(ph->memsz > ph->filesz)
   7da5: 8b 4b 14
                                        0x14(%ebx),%ecx
   7da8: 8b 43 10
                                        0x10(%ebx),%eax
   7dab: 83 c4 0c
                                        $0xc,%esp
   7dae: 39 c1
                                        %eax,%ecx
                                  jbe
                                        7d8f <bootmain+0x54>
   7db0: 76 dd
     stosb(pa + ph->filesz, 0, ph->memsz - ph->filesz);
   7db2: 01 c7
                                        %eax,%edi
   7db4: 29 c1
                                        %eax,%ecx
```

1. The processor begins executing 32-bit code at address 0x7c31, where it encounters the instruction mov \$0x10, %ax. The CR0 register, a 32-bit control register in the 386 processor, contains the PE flag, which determines whether the processor is in Protected mode (PE = 1) or Real mode (PE = 0). To transition from 16-bit to 32-bit mode, several steps are performed: first, a global descriptor table (GDT) is set up and loaded using the lgdt command. Next, the PE flag in the CR0 register is set to 1 to enable Protected mode. Finally, a long jump (ljmp) is executed to address start32, ensuring that the processor correctly reloads the code segment (%cs) and instruction pointer (%eip) in 32-bit mode. This setup uses identity mapping for the segment descriptors, which means no address translation is applied.

```
# Switch from real to protected mode. Use a bootstrap GDT that makes
# virtual addresses map directly to physical addresses so that the
# an effective memory map doesn't change during the transition.
lgdt gdtdesc
movl %cr0, %eax
orl $CR0_PE, %eax
movl %eax, %cr0

//PAGEBREAK!
# Complete the transition to 32-bit protected mode by using a long jmp
# to reload %cs and %eip. The segment descriptors are set up with no
# translation, so that the mapping is still the identity mapping.
ljmp $(SEG_KCODE<<3), $start32

.code32 # Tell assembler to generate 32-bit code now.
start32:
# Set up the protected-mode data segment registers
movw $(SEG_KDATA<<3), %ax # Our data segment selector</pre>
```

2. The last instruction of the bootloader that was executed is call *0x10018 which calls the entry function and hence the bootloader transfers control to the kernel which is at address 0x0010000c. The first instruction of the kernel it just loaded is mov %cr4, %eax at address 0x0010000c. The below image shows the outcomes.

3. The disk sector size is 512 bytes, as specified in bootmain.c on line 13. When the bootloader loads the kernel, it first reads the 4096-byte ELF header, which spans 8 sectors (implemented in bootmain.c on line 28). After loading the ELF header, the

bootloader proceeds to load each kernel segment. Running readelf –a kernel revealed 16 sections, each aligned to 512 bytes. To determine the total number of sectors read by the bootloader, we calculate the sum of the ceiling values of each section's size divided by the sector size (512 bytes). This calculation showed that 436 sectors are needed to fetch the entire kernel. The terminal screenshot below demonstrates the command output used to compute the number of sectors read.

```
guest@iitg-Vostro-3910:~/Downloads/xv6/xv6-public-master$ readelf -a -e kernel
ELF Header:
           7f 45 4c 46 01 01 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
 Magic:
  Class:
                                      ELF32
                                      2's complement, little endian
 Data:
                                      1 (current)
  Version:
 OS/ABI:
                                     UNIX - System V
  ABI Version:
                                      EXEC (Executable file)
  Type:
 Machine:
                                      Intel 80386
  Version:
                                     0x1
  Entry point address:
                                     0x10000c
  Start of program headers:
                                     52 (bytes into file)
  Start of section headers:
                                     201244 (bytes into file)
  Flags:
                                     0x0
  Size of this header:
                                     52 (bytes)
  Size of program headers:
                                     32 (bytes)
                                     3
  Number of program headers:
  Size of section headers:
                                     40 (bytes)
  Number of section headers:
  Section header string table index: 16
Section Headers:
                                                          Size ES Flg Lk Inf Al
  [Nr] Name
                                          Addr
                                                   Off
                         Type
                         NULL
                                          00000000 000000 000000 00
                                                                              0 0
   0]
                                                                         0
                       PROGBITS
PROGBITS
PROGBITS
NOBITS
PROGBITS
PROGBITS
PROGBITS
   1] .text
                                        80100000 001000 0071e8 00
                                                                              0 16
                                        80107200 008200 0009cf 00
    2] .rodata
                                                                     A 0
                                                                              0 32
                                        80108000 009000 002576 00 WA 0
8010a580 00b576 00afb0 00 WA 0
   3] .data
                                                                              0 4096
    4] .bss
                                                                              0 32
   5] .debug_line
6] .debug_info
                                        00000000 00b576 006aee 00
                                                                          0
                                                                              0
                                                                                 1
   6] .debug_info PROGBITS
7] .debug_abbrev PROGBITS
                                        00000000 012064 010ee3 00
                                                                                 1
                                        00000000 022f47 0044aa 00
                                                                              0 1
                        PROGBITS
   8] .debug_aranges
                                         00000000 0273f8 0003b0 00
                                                                          0
                                                                              0
                                                                                 8
                                         00000000 0277a8 000e16 01 MS 0
      .debug_str
                         PROGBITS
                                                                              0
                                                                                 1
  [10] .debug_loclists PROGBITS
                                        00000000 0285be 0050b1 00
                                                                       0
                                                                              0
                                                                                 1
                                        00000000 02d66f 000845 00
  [11] .debug_rnglists PROGBITS
                                                                         0
                                                                              0
  [12] .debug_line_str PROGBITS
                                        00000000 02deb4 000146 01 MS 0
                                                                              0
  [13] .comment
                         PROGBITS
                                          00000000 02dffa 00002b 01
                                                                      MS 0
                                                                              0
                                         00000000 02e028 001fa0 10
      .symtab
                                                                       15 66
  [14]
                         SYMTAB
                                                                                 4
  [15] .strtab
                         STRTAB
                                          00000000 02ffc8 0011a4 00
                                                                          0
                                                                              0
                                                                                 1
  [16] .shstrtab
                         STRTAB
                                          00000000 03116c 0000ad 00
                                                                          0
                                                                              0
                                                                                 1
```

EXERCISE 4:

Output of pointers.c:

```
guest@itg-Vostro-3910:~/Downloads$ gcc pointers.c
guest@itg-Vostro-3910:~/Downloads$ ./a.out
1: a = 0x7ffd6a2564a0, b = 0x55bd593412a0, c = 0x7ffd6a2568d9
2: a[0] = 200, a[1] = 101, a[2] = 102, a[3] = 103
3: a[0] = 200, a[1] = 300, a[2] = 301, a[3] = 302
4: a[0] = 200, a[1] = 400, a[2] = 301, a[3] = 302
5: a[0] = 200, a[1] = 128144, a[2] = 256, a[3] = 302
6: a = 0x7ffd6a2564a0, b = 0x7ffd6a2564a4, c = 0x7ffd6a2564a1
```

First an array a is declared as int a[4] so a would store the address of the first element of the array a. int *b = malloc(16); would allocate a 16 byte block of memory and store the address of this newly allocated memory. int *c; declares the pointer variable c is assigned garbage value as it is not assigned a value.

Before line 2, c is set to a and it will store the address of the first element of array a. Values of array a are set to 100, 101, 102,103.

Before line 3, a[1] = 301 and set to c[1]. *(c+2) is equivalent to c[2] = 302 changes the value of a[3] = 302 then the value of array is 200, 300, 301, 302.

Before line 4, c = c+1 changes c to the second element of a. So *c = 400 sets a[1] = 400. Array a is 200, 400, 301, 302.

Just after printing line 4, c points to the memory location 0x7ffd6a2564a4, the integer a[1] is stored from 0x7ffd6a2564a4 - 0x7ffd6a2564a7. The statement, c = (int *) ((char *) c + 1); changes c to 0x7ffd6a2564a5 as sizeof(char) = 1, and typecasting c into a char* and incrementing it would increase the memory location by 1 instead of 4 locations. Now *c = 500 would change contents of the memory locations from 0x7ffd6a2564a5 - 0x7ffd6a2564a8, which would change the contents of a[1] and a[2] both, as the memory locations 0x7ffd6a2564a5 - 0x7ffd6a2564a7 is a part of a[1] and the location 0x7ffd6a2564a8 is a part of a[2]. So the values stored in a[1] and a[2] are not garbage although they seem to be corrupted.

As b is of type int*, and a points to the location 0x7ffd6a2564a0, b would point to 0x7ffd6a2564a4 as sizeof(int) = 4. (char*)a points to the memory location 0x7ffd6a2564a0 and (char*)a + 1 would be 0x7ffd6a2564a1, so finally b points to 0x7ffd6a2564a1.

objdump commands:

```
guest@iitg-Vostro-3910:~/Downloads/xv6/xv6-public-master$ objdump -h kernel
kernel:
            file format elf32-i386
Sections:
Idx Name
                             VMA
                                                   File off
                                                             Algn
                   Size
                                        LMA
   .text
                   000071e8
                             80100000
                                        00100000
                                                   00001000
                                                             2**4
                             ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, CODE
                   CONTENTS,
                                                             2**5
  1 .rodata
                   000009cf
                             80107200 00107200
                                                   00008200
                   CONTENTS,
                             ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, DATA
                             80108000 00108000
                                                             2**12
  2 .data
                   00002576
                                                  00009000
                   CONTENTS,
                             ALLOC, LOAD, DATA
  3 .bss
                   0000afb0
                             8010a580
                                        0010a580
                                                  0000b576
                                                             2**5
                   ALLOC
  4 .debug_line
                   00006aee
                             0000000
                                        00000000
                                                  0000b576
                   CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
  5 .debug info
                   00010ee3
                             0000000
                                        00000000
                                                  00012064
                             READONLY,
                   CONTENTS,
                                        DEBUGGING, OCTETS
  6 .debug_abbrev 000044aa
                             00000000
                                        00000000 00022f47
                   CONTENTS,
                             READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
                              00000000
  7 .debug_aranges 000003b0
                                         00000000
                                                    000273f8
                                                             2**3
                   CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
  8 .debug_str
                   00000e16 00000000
                                        00000000 000277a8
                   CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
  9 .debug_loclists 000050b1 00000000 00000000
                                                    000285be
                                                                2**0
 CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
10 .debug_rnglists 00000845 00000000 00000000 0002d
                                                    0002d66f
   CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
.debug_line_str 00000146 00000000 00000000 0002dd
                                                   0002deb4
                   CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
 12 .comment
                   0000002b 00000000
                                        00000000
                   CONTENTS,
                             READONLY
```

objdump -h kernel: As we can see in the above screenshot, VMA and LMA of .text section is different indicating that it loads and executes from different addresses.

```
guest@iitg-Vostro-3910:~/Downloads/xv6/xv6-public-master$ objdump -h bootblock.o
bootblock.o:
                 file format elf32-i386
Sections:
Idx Name
                  Size
                                                 File off
                                                            Alan
                             VMA
                                       LMA
 0 .text
                  000001c3
                             00007c00
                                       00007⊂00
                                                 00000074
                                                            2**2
                            ALLOC, LOAD, CODE
                  CONTENTS,
  1 .eh_frame
                            00007dc4 00007dc4
                                                            2**2
                  00000000
                                                 00000238
                             ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, DATA
                  CONTENTS,
                             00000000
  2 .comment
                  0000002b
                                       00000000 000002e8
                  CONTENTS,
                            READONLY
  3 .debug_aranges 00000040
                             00000000
                                        00000000
                                                  00000318
                                                             2**3
                  CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
  4 .debug_info
                  00000585
                            00000000
                                       00000000
                                                 00000358
                                                            2**0
                            READONLY,
                                       DEBUGGING, OCTETS
                  CONTENTS,
  5 .debug_abbrev 0000023c
                             0000000
                                       00000000
                                                 000008dd
                  CONTENTS,
                            READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
  6 .debug_line
                  00000283
                             00000000
                                       00000000
                            READONLY,
                  CONTENTS,
                                       DEBUGGING, OCTETS
                  0000021a
                            00000000
  7 .debug_str
                                       00000000
                                                 00000d9c
                                                            2**0
  CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
8 .debug_line_str 00000055 00000000 00000000 00000
                                                   00000fb6
                                                             2**0
                  CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
   .debug loclists 0000018d 00000000 00000000
                                                   0000100b
                  CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
   .debug_rnglists 00000033 00000000 00000000 00001198
                                                              2**0
                  CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING, OCTETS
```

objdump -h bootblock.o: As we can see in the above screenshot, VMA and LMA of .text section is same indicating that it loads and executes from the same address.

EXERCISE 5:

In the Makefile, we updated the link address to 0x7c04 from the original 0x7c00. This change caused an error: the bootloader, which initially switched from 16-bit real mode to 32-bit protected mode, started executing from the BIOS memory again instead of entering 32-bit mode. This issue arises because the 'ljmp' instruction requires a correct absolute address, and if the link and load addresses are mismatched, the jump target address becomes incorrect.

```
(gdb) source .gdbinit

    target remote localhost:26000

warning: No executable has been specified and target does not support
determining executable automatically. Try using the "file" command.
The target architecture is assumed to be i8086
[f000:fff0] 0xffff0: ljmp $0x3630,$0xf000e05b
0x0000fff0 in ?? ()

    symbol-file kernel

warning: A handler for the OS ABI "GNU/Linux" is not built into this configuration
of GDB. Attempting to continue with the default i8086 settings.
(gdb) si
[f000:e05b] 0xfe05b: cmpw $0xffc8,%cs:(%esi)
0x0000e05b in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:e062]
            0xfe062: jne 0xd241d416
0x0000e062 in ?? ()
(qdb) b *0x7c00
Breakpoint 1 at 0x7c00
(gdb) c
Continuing.
   0:7c00] => 0x7c00: cli
Thread 1 hit Breakpoint 1, 0x00007c00 in ?? ()
(gdb) si 18
   0:7c29] => 0x7c29: mov %eax,%cr0
0x00007c29 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
   0x00007c2c in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:e05b] 0xfe05b: cmpw $0xffc8,%cs:(%esi)
0x0000e05b in ?? ()
(gdb) si
[f000:e062] 0xfe062: jne 0xd241d416
0x0000e062 in ?? ()
(gdb)
```

Output of objdump -f kernel:

The start address is the starting point (0x0010000c) at which the bootloader enters the kernel.

```
guest@iitg-Vostro-3910:~/Downloads/xv6/xv6-public-master$ objdump -f kernel
kernel: file format elf32-i386
architecture: i386, flags 0x000000112:
EXEC_P, HAS_SYMS, D_PAGED
start address 0x0010000c
```

EXERCISE 6:

After restarting the machine and examining 8 words of memory at address 0x00100000:

- 1. When the BIOS enters the bootloader, the memory at this location is all zeros.
- 2. When the bootloader enters the kernel, the memory at this location contains non-zero values.

This is because, before the kernel is loaded, the bootloader has not yet populated this memory area, resulting in zero values. Once the bootloader has loaded the kernel, this memory area contains data from the kernel, so the values become non-zero.

```
(gdb) source .gdbinit
+ target remote localhost:26000
warning: No executable has been specified and target does not support
determining executable automatically. Try using the "file" command.
The target architecture is assumed to be i8086
[f000:fff0]
             0xfffff0: ljmp
                             $0x3630,$0xf000e05b
0x0000fff0 in ?? ()
+ symbol-file kernel
warning: A handler for the OS ABI "GNU/Linux" is not built into this configuration
of GDB. Attempting to continue with the default i8086 settings.
(gdb) b *0x7c00
Breakpoint 1 at 0x7c00
(gdb) c
Continuing.
   0:7c00] => 0x7c00: cli
Thread 1 hit Breakpoint 1, 0x00007c00 in ?? ()
(gdb) x/8x 0x00100000
                            0×00000000
                                           0x00000000 0x00000000
          0x00000000
0x100000:
0x100010:
                               0x00000000
                                              0x00000000
                                                              0x00000000
               0x00000000
(gdb) b *0x7d87
Breakpoint 2 at 0x7d87
(qdb) c
Continuing.
The target architecture is assumed to be i386
               call *0x10018
=> 0x7d87:
Thread 1 hit Breakpoint 2, 0x00007d87 in ?? ()
(gdb) si
=> 0x10000c:
               mov
                      %cr4,%eax
0x0010000c in ?? ()
(gdb) x/8x 0x00100000
0x100000:
               0x1badb002
                               0x00000000
                                              0xe4524ffe
                                                              0x83e0200f
0x100010:
               0x220f10c8
                               0x9000b8e0
                                              0x220f0010
                                                              0xc0200fd8
(gdb)
```