

Assignment 1

Write-Up

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-> Download the linux-3.16 :

"`wget https://www.kernel.org/pub/linux/kernel/v3.x/linux-3.16.tar.xz`"

and extract this downloaded file to /usr/src/ :

"`sudo tar -xvf linux-3.16.tar.xz -c /usr/src/`"

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o jas@o jas: /usr/src/linux-3.16$ ls
arch      crypto    fs        Kbuild    MAINTAINERS  README      security  virt
block     Documentation  include  Kconfig    Makefile     REPORTING-BUGS  sound
COPYING   drivers    init      kernel     mm           samples     tools
CREDITS   firmware   ipc       lib        net          scripts      usr
o jas@o jas: /usr/src/linux-3.16$
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-> To make a new system call, inside this kernel version, add a new directory taskinfo/. In that, add a sh_task_info.c (the custom system call) and a Makefile.

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root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16# ls
arch          firmware  Kconfig      modules.order  security      usr
block         fs        kernel       Module.symvers  signing_key.priv  virt
COPYING       hello     lib          net            signing_key.x509  vmlinux
CREDITS       include  MAINTAINERS  README         sound         vmlinux.o
crypto        init      Makefile     REPORTING-BUGS  System.map     x509.genkey
Documentation ipc       mm           samples        taskinfo
drivers       Kbuild   modules.builtin  scripts        tools

root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16# cd taskinfo/
root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16/taskinfo# ls
Makefile  sh_task_info.c
root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16/taskinfo# _

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GNU nano 2.2.6      File: sh_task_info.c

        return -EINVAL;

struct task_struct *task;
struct file *file;
loff_t pos = 0;
int fileOpen , xVariable = 0;

mm_segment_t old_fs = get_fs();
set_fs(KERNEL_DS);

fileOpen = sys_open(filename , O_WRONLY|O_CREAT , 0644);

char data[500] , temp[500];
int lines = 15;

for_each_process(task)
{
    if((int)task->pid == pid)
    {
        xVariable = 3;

        printk("Process Name: %s\n" , task->comm);
        strcpy(data , "Process Name: ");
        strcat(data , task->comm);
        strcat(data , "\n");

        lines = lines + 1;

        printk("Process PID: %ld\n" , (long)task->pid);
        strcat(data , "Process PID: ");
        sprintf(temp , "%ld\n" , (long)task->pid);
        strcat(data , temp);
    }
}

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-> Now, in the main Makefile, add the new directory name

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GNU nano 2.2.6                                File: Makefile                                Modified
mod_sign_cmd = perl $(src tree)/scripts/sign-file $(CONFIG_MODULE_SIG_HASH) $(MODSECKEY) $(MODPUBKEY)
else
mod_sign_cmd = true
endif
export mod_sign_cmd

ifeq ($(KBUILD_EXTMOD),)
core-y      += kernel/ mm/ fs/ ipc/ security/ crypto/ block/ sh_task_info/

umlinux-dirs := $(patsubst %/,%, $(filter %/, $(init-y) $(init-m) \
$(core-y) $(core-m) $(drivers-y) $(drivers-m) \
$(net-y) $(net-m) $(libs-y) $(libs-m)))

umlinux-alldirs := $(sort $(umlinux-dirs) $(patsubst %/,%, $(filter %/, \
$(init-n) $(init-) \
$(core-n) $(core-) $(drivers-n) $(drivers-) \
$(net-n) $(net-) $(libs-n) $(libs-))))

init-y      := $(patsubst %/, %/built-in.o, $(init-y))
core-y      := $(patsubst %/, %/built-in.o, $(core-y))
drivers-y   := $(patsubst %/, %/built-in.o, $(drivers-y))
net-y       := $(patsubst %/, %/built-in.o, $(net-y))
libs-y1     := $(patsubst %/, %/lib.a, $(libs-y))
libs-y2     := $(patsubst %/, %/built-in.o, $(libs-y))
libs-y      := $(libs-y1) $(libs-y2)

# Externally visible symbols (used by link-umlinux.sh)
export KBUILD_UMLinux_INIT := $(head-y) $(init-y)
export KBUILD_UMLinux_MAIN := $(core-y) $(libs-y) $(drivers-y) $(net-y)
export KBUILD_LDS           := arch/$(SRCARCH)/kernel/umlinux.lds
export LDFLAGS_umlinux

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For 64 bit systems, add the new system call in serial order.

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GNU nano 2.2.6                                File: syscall_64.tbl                                Modified
298      common  perf_event_open      sys_perf_event_open
299      64      recvmmsg              sys_recvmmsg
300      common  fanotify_init         sys_fanotify_init
301      common  fanotify_mark         sys_fanotify_mark
302      common  prlimit64             sys_prlimit64
303      common  name_to_handle_at     sys_name_to_handle_at
304      common  open_by_handle_at     sys_open_by_handle_at
305      common  clock_adjtime         sys_clock_adjtime
306      common  syncfs                sys_syncfs
307      64      sendmmsg              sys_sendmmsg
308      common  setns                 sys_setns
309      common  getcpu                sys_getcpu
310      64      process_vm_readv      sys_process_vm_readv
311      64      process_vm_writev     sys_process_vm_writev
312      common  kcmp                  sys_kcmp
313      common  finit_module           sys_finit_module
314      common  sched_setattr         sys_sched_setattr
315      common  sched_getattr         sys_sched_getattr
316      common  renameat2             sys_renameat2
317      64      hello                 sys_hello
318      64      sh_task_info           sys_sh_task_info

#
# x32-specific system call numbers start at 512 to avoid cache impact
# for native 64-bit operation.
#
512      x32     rt_sigaction          compat_sys_rt_sigaction
513      x32     rt_sigreturn          stub_x32_rt_sigreturn
514      x32     ioctl                 compat_sys_ioctl
515      x32     readv                 compat_sys_readv
516      x32     writev                 compat_sys_writev
517      x32     recvfrom              compat_sys_recvfrom

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In include/linux/syscalls.h, prototype your new syscall.

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GNU nano 2.2.6 File: syscalls.h Modified

const struct iovec __user *lvec,
unsigned long liovcnt,
const struct iovec __user *rvec,
unsigned long riovcnt,
unsigned long flags);
asm linkage long sys_process_vm_writev(pid_t pid,
const struct iovec __user *lvec,
unsigned long liovcnt,
const struct iovec __user *rvec,
unsigned long riovcnt,
unsigned long flags);

asm linkage long sys_kcmp(pid_t pid1, pid_t pid2, int type,
unsigned long idx1, unsigned long idx2);
asm linkage long sys_finit_module(int fd, const char __user *uargs, int flags);

asm linkage long sys_hello(void);
asm linkage long sys_sh_task_info(int pid , char* filename);
#endif

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-> Now the kernel is ready to be compiled.

First, do a “*sudo -s*” for root privileges.

Use :

“*make menuconfig*”

“*make -j4*”

“*make modules_install -j4*”

“*make install*”

To compile kernel.

Now, for updating grub, use :

“*update-grub*”

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.config - Linux/x86 3.16.0 Kernel Configuration

Linux/x86 3.16.0 Kernel Configuration
Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or empty submenu ----).
Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes, <N> excludes, <M> modularizes
features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help, </> for Search. Legend: [*] built-in
[ ] excluded <M> module < > module capable

[*] 64-bit kernel
  General setup --->
  [*] Enable loadable module support --->
  [*] Enable the block layer --->
  Processor type and features --->
  Power management and ACPI options --->
  Bus options (PCI etc.) --->
  Executable file formats / Emulations --->
  -[*] Networking support --->
    Device Drivers --->
    Firmware Drivers --->
    File systems --->
    Kernel hacking --->
    Security options --->
  -[*] Cryptographic API --->
  -[*] Virtualization --->
  Library routines --->

<Select> < Exit > < Help > < Save > < Load >
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make[1]: *** [arch/x86/kernel] Interrupt
Makefile:1064: recipe for target 'arch/x86/modules.builtin' failed
make: *** [arch/x86/modules.builtin] Interrupt
scripts/Makefile.modbuiltin:54: recipe for target 'kernel/power' failed
make[1]: *** [kernel/power] Interrupt
Makefile:1064: recipe for target 'kernel/modules.builtin' failed
make: *** [kernel/modules.builtin] Interrupt

root@ojas:/usr/src/linux-3.16# make -j 4 && make modules_install
SYSTBL arch/x86/syscalls/./include/generated/asm/syscalls_64.h
SYSTBL arch/x86/syscalls/./include/generated/asm/syscalls_32.h
CHK include/config/kernel.release
CHK include/generated/uapi/linux/version.h
HOSTCC scripts/genksyms/genksyms.o
SHIPPED scripts/genksyms/lex.lex.c
SHIPPED scripts/genksyms/keywords.hash.c
SHIPPED scripts/genksyms/parse.tab.h
SHIPPED scripts/genksyms/parse.tab.c
HOSTCC scripts/genksyms/lex.lex.o
SYSHDR arch/x86/syscalls/./include/generated/uapi/asm/unistd_32.h
SYSHDR arch/x86/syscalls/./include/generated/uapi/asm/unistd_64.h
HOSTCC scripts/genksyms/parse.tab.o
SYSHDR arch/x86/syscalls/./include/generated/uapi/asm/unistd_x32.h
CC scripts/mod/empty.o
HOSTCC scripts/mod/mk_elfconfig
CC scripts/mod/devicetable-offsets.s
MKELF scripts/mod/elfconfig.h
GEN scripts/mod/devicetable-offsets.h
HOSTLD scripts/genksyms/genksyms
HOSTCC scripts/mod/modpost.o
HOSTCC scripts/selinux/genheaders/genheaders
HOSTCC scripts/selinux/mdp/mdp
HOSTCC scripts/kallsyms
HOSTCC scripts/conmakehash
HOSTCC scripts/recordmcount
HOSTCC scripts/sortextable
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-> Reboot the system and create a test file which invokes the newly created system call and run it.

```

root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16-UPDATED/taskinfo/ToTest# gcc test.c -o customSyscall
root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16-UPDATED/taskinfo/ToTest# ./customSyscall 3 info

-X-
Task Struct Info Syscall Successful!
Check info file for details.
-X-

root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16-UPDATED/taskinfo/ToTest# cat info
Process Name: ksoftirqd/0
Process PID: 3
Process Priority: 120
Process Parent Name: kthreadd
Process Exit State: 0
root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16-UPDATED/taskinfo/ToTest# ./customSyscall -3 info

-X-
Something Went Wrong
Error : Invalid argument
Error No. : 22
-X-

root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16-UPDATED/taskinfo/ToTest# _

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To see the kernel messages, use “dmesg”.

```

[ 17.902189] IPo6: ADDRCONF(NETDEV_CHANGE): eth0: link becomes ready
[ 18.063612] init: failsafe main process (606) killed by TERM signal
[ 18.119353] audit: type=1400 audit(1569573340.320:5): apparmor="STATUS" operation="profile_replac
e" name="/sbin/dhclient" pid=813 comm="apparmor_parser"
[ 18.119359] audit: type=1400 audit(1569573340.320:6): apparmor="STATUS" operation="profile_replac
e" name="/usr/lib/NetworkManager/nm-dhcp-client.action" pid=813 comm="apparmor_parser"
[ 18.119362] audit: type=1400 audit(1569573340.320:7): apparmor="STATUS" operation="profile_replac
e" name="/usr/lib/connman/scripts/dhclient-script" pid=813 comm="apparmor_parser"
[ 18.120667] audit: type=1400 audit(1569573340.320:8): apparmor="STATUS" operation="profile_load"
name="/usr/sbin/tcpdump" pid=813 comm="apparmor_parser"
[ 18.610266] init: plymouth-upstart-bridge main process ended, respawning
[ 20.324849] floppy0: no floppy controllers found
[ 20.324879] work still pending
[ 24.617279] systemd-logind[1244]: New seat seat0.
[ 24.618074] systemd-logind[1244]: Watching system buttons on /dev/input/event0 (Power Button)
[ 24.618118] systemd-logind[1244]: Watching system buttons on /dev/input/event1 (Sleep Button)
[ 24.618159] systemd-logind[1244]: Watching system buttons on /dev/input/event5 (Video Bus)
[ 24.623132] systemd-logind[1244]: Failed to start unit user@1000.service: Unknown unit: user@1000
.service
[ 24.623168] systemd-logind[1244]: Failed to start user service: Unknown unit: user@1000.service
[ 24.627742] systemd-logind[1244]: New session c1 of user ojas.
[ 169.624158] Process Name: rcuos/0
[ 169.624162] Process PID: 8
[ 169.624164] Process Priority: 120
[ 169.624166] Process Parent Name: kthreadd
[ 169.624168] Process Exit State : 0
[ 483.271133] Process Name: rcuos/0
[ 483.271137] Process PID: 8
[ 483.271140] Process Priority: 120
[ 483.271143] Process Parent Name: kthreadd
[ 483.271146] Process Exit State : 0
[ 501.732600] Process Name: ksoftirqd/0
[ 501.732607] Process PID: 3
[ 501.732610] Process Priority: 120
[ 501.732613] Process Parent Name: kthreadd
[ 501.732616] Process Exit State : 0
root@zenbook:/usr/src/linux-3.16-UPDATED/taskinfo/ToTest# _

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-> Create a diff file of the updated and original kernel to show the differences, and store it in a .patch file using :

“diff -urN linux-3.16-UPDATED/ linux-3.16-ORG/ > diffFile.patch”

Code Summary

- The system call takes in 2 arguments at the beginning of runtime : the pid (the process ID integer) and the filename (the file in which the output is to be saved), which has to be supplied by the user as input.
- In case of an invalid PID, the 'Invalid Argument' error is returned (EINVAL).
- A task struct, a file with the required filename is initialised.
- For filing in kernel space, the following resource was used :
<https://www.linuxjournal.com/article/8110>
- sys_open is used to open the specified file supplied.
- The character data to be entered in file was declared.
- If the file was unable to be opened, an 'Is a Directory' error was flagged (EISDIR).
- The for_each_process(task) loop will loop through all the tasks (processes/threads) and check for the one that matches the required PID.
- Then, the important information was stored and printed on the kernel using printk() :
 - Process Name (comm)
Shows the name of the task whose PID was queried.
 - Process PID (pid)
Displays the PID of the task.
 - Process Parent Name (*parent->comm)
Displays the name of the parent of the task which was queried.
 - Process Exit State (exit_code)
Shows the returned code of the task when it is exited.
- The stored data was then written to the successfully opened file.
- The file is closed.