CMSC 412 Debugging GeekOS

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New target: printrun

- New build target in Makefile: printrun
- ▶ A log of GeekOS I/O is output to build/out.txt
- Example usage:
 - ~/project5/build\$ make printrun

Debugging locally

- Open two terminal windows
- ► Terminal 1:
 - ~/project5/build\$ make dbgrun

Terminal 2:

- ~/project5/build\$ make dbg
- Terminal 2 is running gdb, and the other is running GeekOS in QEMU
- ▶ In gdb, type continue to begin

Debugging remotely (on Linuxlab)

- Open two terminal windows
- ► Terminal 1:
 - ~\$ ssh -Y <username>@linuxlab.csic.umd.edu
 [<username>@<compname> ~]\$ cd project5/build
 [<username>@<compname> build]\$ make dbgrun
 - Terminal 2: (note the <compname> from Terminal 1)
 - ~\$ ssh -Y <username>@<compname>.csic.umd.edu
 [<username>@<compname> ~]\$ cd project5/build
 [<username>@<compname> build]\$ make dbgrun
- Terminal 2 is running gdb, and the other is running GeekOS in QEMU
- ▶ In gdb, type continue to begin

Debugging example: ROT13

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New system call ROT13 (char *str):
// state->ebx points to the string, state->ecx = string length
static int Sys ROT13(struct Interrupt State *state) {
 int i, n = state->ecx;
 char *str = 0;
 if (Copy User String(state->ebx, n, 1023, &str) != 0) return -1;
 for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
    if (str[i] >= 'A' && str[i] <= 'Z')
      Print("%c", str[i] + ((str[i] + 13 \le 'Z') ? 13 : -13));
    else if (str[i] >= 'a' && str[i] <= 'z')
      Print("%c", str[i] + ((str[i] + 13 <= 'z') ? 13 : +13));
    else Print("%c", str[i]);
 Free (str):
 return 0:
New user program src/user/rot13.c:
int main(int argc, char **argv) {
 int i;
 if (argc == 1) Print("Usage: rot13 [STRING] ...\n");
  else
    for (i = 1; i < argc; i++) {
     ROT13(argv[i]);
      (i+1 < argc) ? Print(" ") : Print("\n");
  return 0:
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Sample run

Problem: incorrect output for some input to rot13

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Welcome to GeekOS!
Spawning init process (/c/shell.exe)
$ rot13 ONYX cat
BALK pn_
$ rot13 png
}{t
$ exit
DONE!
Init process exited with code 0
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Debug ROT13

- Start debugging: Terminal 1 (QEMU/GeekOS) and Terminal 2 (gdb)
- ▶ In Terminal 2 gdb, type break Sys_ROT13 to set a breakpoint at Sys_ROT13, and then type continue to begin
- ▶ In GeekOS, run rot13 ONYX cat
- ▶ In gdb, it should stop at the beginning of Sys_ROT13.
 - next: go to the next instruction
 - step: go to the next instruction (or step into a function call)
 - continue: go to the next breakpoint
 - print <var>/<ex>/<eq> to print a variable, expression, or equation. E.g. print (char) (str[1]+13 <= 'Z')</pre>
- ➤ On the second call to Sys_ROT13, note that the 't' in 'cat' should evaluate to false, so we should print str[i] 13, but we print str[i] + 13 instead.

Debug ROT13

- On the second call to Sys_ROT13, note that the 't' in 'cat' should evaluate to false for the statement (str[i] + 13 <= 'z')</p>
- ► Thus, logically we know to print str[i] 13, but instead we print str[i] + 13.
- ► This shows the bug: the else branch in the ternary operator should have -13 instead of +13
- Check more on gdb online if you're unfamiliar