Lab1 Writeup

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- 1. Compile binary for an architecture that is different from the current host.
- 2. In x86-32, user program put syscall number in %eax and arguments in other registers. Then it invokes the syscall interrupt to transit into kernel mode. The kernel executes the syscall according to %eax, and returns to the user space after it finishes. The return value is kept in %eax.
- 3. Reentrancy means the program can be interrupted in the middle and then be called again before the previous one finishes.
  - Thread-safety means the program can guarantee the safety of shared resources in a multi-thread context.
- 4. In a preemptive kernel the scheduler can interrupt a driver or kernel function and force context-switch before it finishes.

Yes.

- 5. When there are multiple threads accessing or modifying the data structure.
- 6. When the kernel is preemptive or when using multi-processor or hyperthreading.
- 7. Locking mechanisms like mutex, semaphore and read-write lock.
- 8. Given a pointer to a member in the structure, return a pointer to the whole structure. By subtracting the offset of the member in the structure from the pointer.