CS444/544
Operating Systems II

Lecture 17
Quiz 3 sol. And Final Course Review
12/7/2023

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Due Reminders

• 12/11 11:59 pm: 100% for Lab 4
• 12/14 11:59 pm: 75% for Lab 4 and 50% for Lab 1-3
• After 12/14 11:59 pm: 0%

• Questions?
  • I will do another round of regrade for lab 1-3 this weekend
Today’s topic

• Quiz 3 Report
• Final course review
• Meme competition
Topics Covered

• Week 1: Booting
• Week 2: Address translation
• Week 3: Virtual Memory Management
• Week 4: Quiz on Virtual Memory
• Week 5: User/Kernel Context Switch
• Week 6: System Calls and Page Fault
• Week 7: Quiz on Syscalls, Faults, and Exceptions
• Week 8: Lock and Thread Synchronization
• Week 9: Concurrency Bugs and Deadlock
• Week 10: Quiz 3 & Review
Booting
(Week 1, JOS Lab 1)

• How does x86 Processors boot with BIOS?
  • Which mode does the processor start with?
    • Real mode!
  • Addressing model in early stage of the booting
    • Seg * 16 + offset

• BIOS / Boot sector
  • Where (which address) does BIOS load the boot sector?
    • 0x7c00
  • How does boot sector load the kernel?
    • ELF header

• Processor modes: Real / Protected
  • How does CPU use memory segmentation in those modes?
    • Global descriptor Table (GDT)
Address Translation (Week 2)

• Segmentation
  • Seg * 16 + offset
  • GDT – base + offset, offset < limit

• Paging
  • Page table / page directory
  • Translation Lookaside Buffer (TLB)
  • When to invalidate TLB?
    • When updates CR3 (invalidate all entries)
    • When updates PTE (invalidate 1 entry)
Virtual Memory Management (Week 3, JOS Lab 2)

• Page Permission
  • How can we set access permissions to a memory page?
    • Read/Write, Kernel/User
  • How can we set a conflicting memory permissions, e.g.,
    • Kernel RW, User R

// Your code goes here:
boot_map_region(kern_pgdir, KERNBASE, -KERNBASE, 0, PTE_W | PTE_P);
Virtual Memory Management (Week 3, JOS Lab 2)

- Indexing Page Directory / Tables
  - [10 bit] [10 bit] [12 bit]
  - Why 10 bits?
    - 12 bits for page offset: 4096 bytes
    - 4 byte per each page directory/table entries
    - 1024 entries, indexed by 10 bits
  - [6 bit] [6 bit] [6 bit] [6 bit] [8 bit]
    - Page size: 256 bytes, entries: 64, 4 levels → slow
  - [6 bit] [12 bit] [14 bit]
    - Page size: 16384 bytes, entries: 4096, wasting memory
User/Kernel Switch (Week 5, JOS Lab 3)

- Ring
  - How many rings are available in x86 processor?
    - 4 levels
  - Which ring level do we use for kernel? For user?
    - Ring 0 for kernel, Ring 3 for user
  - Where does CPU store the current ring level?
    - The last 2 bits of the CS register

- User/Kernel Switch
  - Difference between library call and system call
  - How can we switch an execution from
    - User -> kernel?
      - syscalls (software interrupt)
    - Kernel -> User?
      - iret
Interrupt, Syscall, Exception (Week 5, JOS Lab 3)

• Interrupt & Exceptions
  • Interrupt
  • Exceptions and Fault

• Interrupt Descriptor Table (IDT) and Interrupt handlers
  • How can we set interrupt handlers?
  • How can we determine which interrupt the current one is?
    • E.g., how can we get the interrupt number?
  • Pushed by CPU? Pushed by JOS?

#define TRAPHANDLER(name, num)  
.globl name;  /* define global symbol for 'name' */  
.type name, @function;  /* symbol type is function */  
.align 2;  /* align function definition */  
name:  /* function starts here */  
pushl $(num);
jmp _alltraps
Interrupt, Syscall, Exceptions (Week 6, JOS Lab 3)

- Understanding the Trapframe
  - What kind of fault it is?
  - What is the faulting address?
  - What is the reason for the fault?
  - What is the address of instruction that causes the fault?
  - Which values were generated by CPU?
  - Which values were generated by JOS?
  - Which ring level it is?
Page Fault & Copy-on-Write
(Week 6, JOS Lab3&4)

• Page fault workflow
  • When does it happen?
  • How can we know the faulting address and the cause of the fault?
  • How can we resolve the fault and get back to the normal execution?

• Page fault use cases (refer to the slide of Lecture 10)
  • Automatic stack allocation
  • Copy-on-write
  • Memory Swapping
Synchronization and Locks (Week 8)

- Data racing
  - What is this?
  - Why is this bad?
    - Inconsistent/incorrect result
  - How can we resolve this?
    - Mutual exclusion
- Lock
  - How can we implement locks?
  - What’s the difference between
    - Test-and-set (atomic)
    - Test and test-and-set (atomic)
    - Backoff

```c
void *count_xchg_lock(void *args) {
    for (int i=0; i < N_COUNT; ++i) {
        Critical Section
            xchg_lock(&lock);
            sched_yield();
            count += 1;
            xchg_unlock(&lock);
        }
    }
```
Concurrency Bugs and Deadlock (Week 9)

- **TOCTTOU (Time of check to time of use) bug**
  - What is this and when does it happen?
    - Another thread executes between time of check and time of use
  - How can we prevent this?
    - Use lock/unlock

- **Deadlock**
  - Four necessary conditions of deadlock
    - Mutual Exclusion
      - Critical section
    - Hold-and-wait
    - No Preemption
    - Unlock if fail to acquire a lock
    - Circular wait
You Have Learned Many Things from CS 444/544

• How to build OS internals in a nutshell
  • Bootloader (JOS Lab 1)
  • Setting up virtual memory (JOS Lab 2)
  • Setting up interrupt handlers (JOS Lab 3a)
  • Implementing system calls (JOS Lab 3b)
  • Implementing locks (lock-example repository)
  • Implementing page fault handler and copy-on-write fork (JOS Lab 4)
Be Confident in Computer Systems

• Now you have experience in
  • Terminal IDE tools (tmux, git, vim, ctags, make)
  • Kernel-level (Ring 0) Debugging (via remote gdb)
  • x86 Assembly
  • Paging and address translation
  • Software/hardware interrupt and exception handling
  • Enabling preemptive multitasking

• And you wrote code for multi-core OS (pedagogical)
Final Remarks

• Thank you so much for your commitment to this course
• Submit all your work by 12/11 11:59pm
  • 100% for lab4
  • 75% for lab4 and 50% for lab1-3 if submitted by 12/14 11:59 pm
• Future improvements?