

CENG 536 KERNEL PROJECT GUIDE

- User Mode Linux is a binary executable that works in a Linux host and boots a virtual Linux within a user process. It's an isolated environment for making experiments on a kernel or a system. Its hardware architecture is a process in the host system (the system that you execute UML binary). For detailed information see:
<http://usermodelinux.org/>
Once you execute the UML binary, a Linux system boots in the terminal and opens some consoles.
- Download and install kernel sources, 2.6.18 (this version is the version of the binary provided below). Install it from your distribution repository or:
<ftp://ftp.metu.edu.tr/pub/mirrors/ftp.kernel.org/pub/linux/kernel/v2.6/linux-2.6.16.18.tar.gz>
(For your modules to work with the binary, you should have this version). You should also have a 2.6.x kernel working in the host system. Assume sources are installed under `/usr/src/linux-source-2.6.18/`
- Install latest *uml-utilities* package of your distribution
- Download the files under:
<http://www.ceng.metu.edu.tr/courses/ceng536/sources/uml/>
Files and

debian-root.gz	91M	Root filesystem of your Linux
kernel-conf	12K	Kernel config to copy as <code>.config</code>
ldd3-samples-1.0.0.tar.gz	77K	Sample sources from the book
ldd3_pdf.tar.bz2	11M	Chapters of the book
linux.gz	9.4M	UML binary
- Extract and decompress all packages. Give execute permission to `linux`. Assume all files are under `/home/youruser/uml`
- execute this command to test your environment:
`./linux ubd0=my-root,debian-root`
You should have a system booting. You can login as `root` without any password.
- UML system mounts `/home` as the `/home` of the host system. So you can change directory to `/home/youruser/` and access your files in the host system.
- copy `kernel-conf` as `/usr/src/linux-source-2.6.18/.config`
- In host system, change directory to `ldd3-samples-1.0.0/scullc`
execute:
`make KERNELDIR=/usr/src/linux-source-2.6.18 ARCH=um`
You should have `scullc.ko` file is created (ignore a warning about `vmlinuz`)
- In UML system change directory to `/home/youruser/uml/ldd3-samples-1.0.0/scullc`
- In UML system, execute:
`chmod +x scullc_load scullc_unload`
`./scullc_load`
`echo "hello" >/dev/scullc0`
`cat /dev/scullc0`
- If it echoed back your "hello", it works. Now you can change "scullc" as your device: "pstackdev"