

Assignment – 6 (Program to switch from real mode to protected mode and display the values of GDTR, LDTR, IDTR, TR and MSW Registers.)

Code

; Problem statement: Write X86/64 ALP to switch from real mode to protected mode and display the values of GDTR, LDTR, IDTR, TR and MSW Registers also identify CPU type using CPUID instruction.

; BEGINING OF CODE

section .data

rmodemsg db 10,'Processor is in REAL MODE.',

rmsg_len:equ \$-rmodemsg

pmodemsg db 10,'Processor is in PROTECTED MODE.'

pmsg_len:equ \$-pmodemsg

gdtmsg db 10,'GDT Contents are: '

gmsg_len:equ \$-gdtmsg

ldtmsg db 10,'LDT Contents are: '

lmsg_len:equ \$-ldtmsg

idtmsg db 10,'IDT Contents are: '

img_len:equ \$-idtmsg

trmsg db 10,'Task Register Contents are: '

tmsg_len: equ \$-trmsg

mmsg db 10,'Machine Status Word: '

mmsg_len:equ \$-mmsg

colmsg db ':'

nwline db 10

section .bss

gdt resd 1

resw 1

ldt resw 1

idt resd 1

resw 1

tr resw 1

cr0_data resd 1

dnum_buff resb 04

%macro print 2

mov rax,01

mov rdi,01

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mov rsi,%1
mov rdx,%2
syscall
%endmacro
section .text
global _start
_start:
smsw eax
mov [cr0_data],rax
bt rax,0
jc prmode
print rmodemsg,rmsg_len
jmp nxt1
prmode:    print pmodemsg,pmsg_len
nxt1:sgdt [gdt]
sldt [ldt]
sidt [idt]
str [tr]
print gdtmsg,gmsg_len
mov bx,[gdt+4]
call print_num
mov bx,[gdt+2]
call print_num
print colmsg,1
mov bx,[gdt]
call print_num
print ldtmsg,lmsg_len
mov bx,[ldt]
call print_num
print idtmsg,imsg_len
mov bx,[idt+4]
call print_num
mov bx,[idt+2]
call print_num
print colmsg,1
mov bx,[idt]
call print_num
print trmsg,tmsg_len
mov bx,[tr]
call print_num
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print mswmsg,mmsg_len
mov bx,[cr0_data+2]
call print_num
mov bx,[cr0_data]
call print_num
print newline,1
exit:  mov rax,60
xor rdi,rdi
syscall
print_num:
mov rsi,dnum_buff
mov rcx,04
up1:
rol bx,4
mov dl,bl
and dl,0fh
add dl,30h
cmp dl,39h
jbe skip1
add dl,07h
skip1:
mov [rsi],dl
inc rsi
loop up1
print dnum_buff,4
ret
; END OF CODE
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Output

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$ export file=Practical-10
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$ nasm -f elf64 $file.asm && ld -o exec $file.o && ./exec
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Processor is in PROTECTED MODE.
GDT Contents are: A1938000:007F
LDT Contents are: 0000
IDT Contents are: 00000000:0FFF
Task Register Contents are: 0040
Machine Status Word: 8005FFFF
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