



RUNNING LINUX IN THE WEB BROWSER

- How hard can it be? -

**A project made in Canada by
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bears



Downtown



No bears



USA



University of British Columbia



Wreck beach
Very liberal

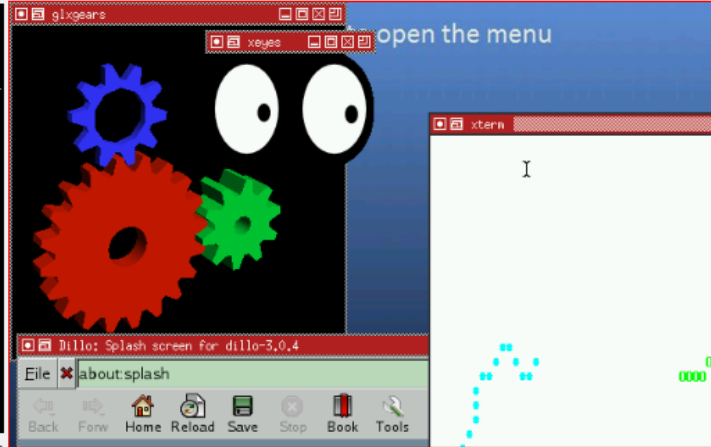


THE WEBSITE: JOR1K.COM



jor1k: OpenRISC OR1K Javascript Emulator Running Linux With Network Support

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asm.js Core 10 FPS

69.1 MIPS

Links

- [Edit, compile and run](#) C code in your browser
- [Explore the emulator](#) wiki page
- [Ben's blog post about network support](#)
- [Project](#) page at github
- [Bugtracker](#) to report any issues or feature requests
- [Wiki](#) containing more detailed descriptions
- [Official site](#) of the openrisc project

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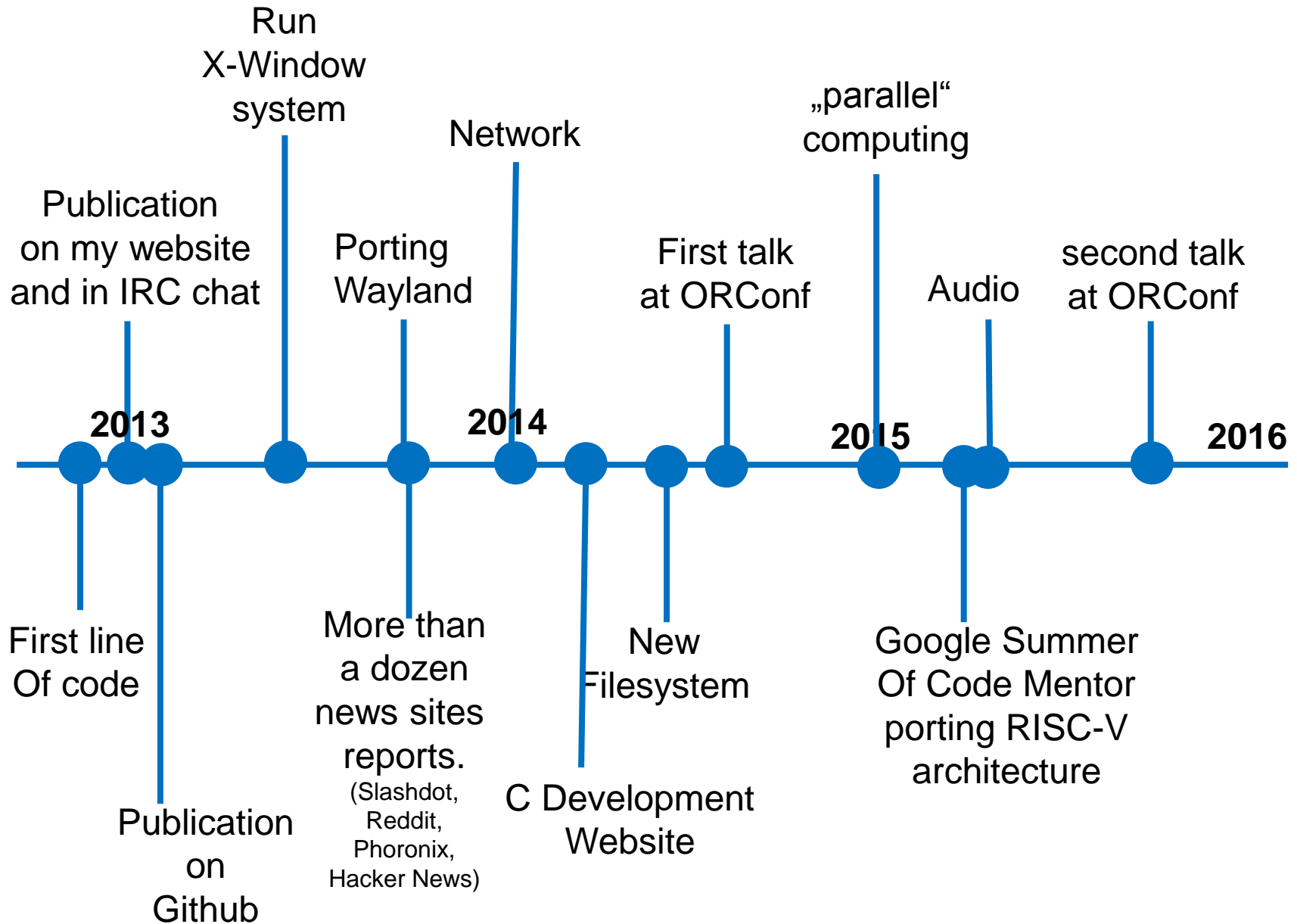
INITIAL MOTIVATION

- **JavaScript is the language of the Web**
 - First true language which basically runs everywhere.
 - It is available immediately (one click)

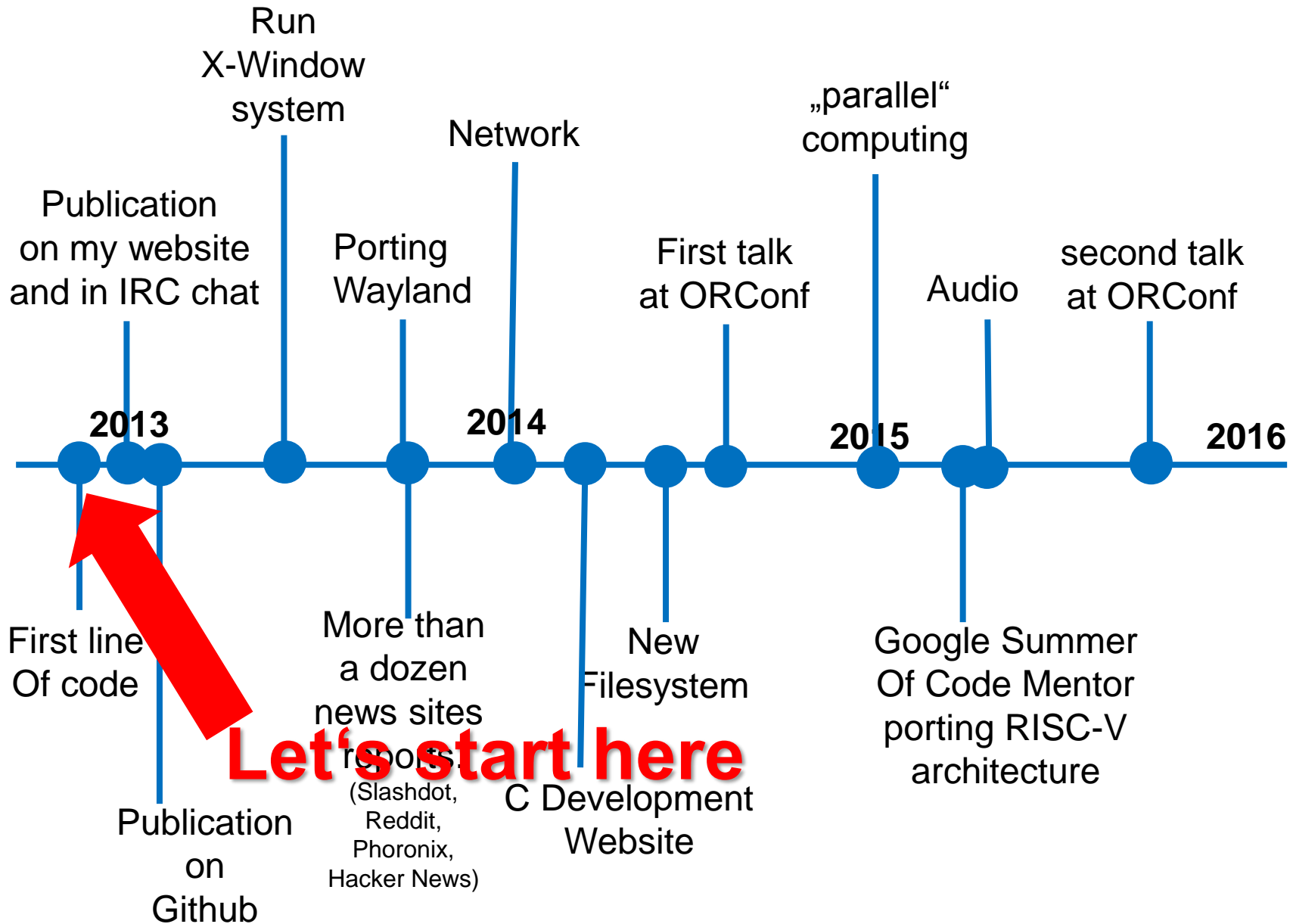


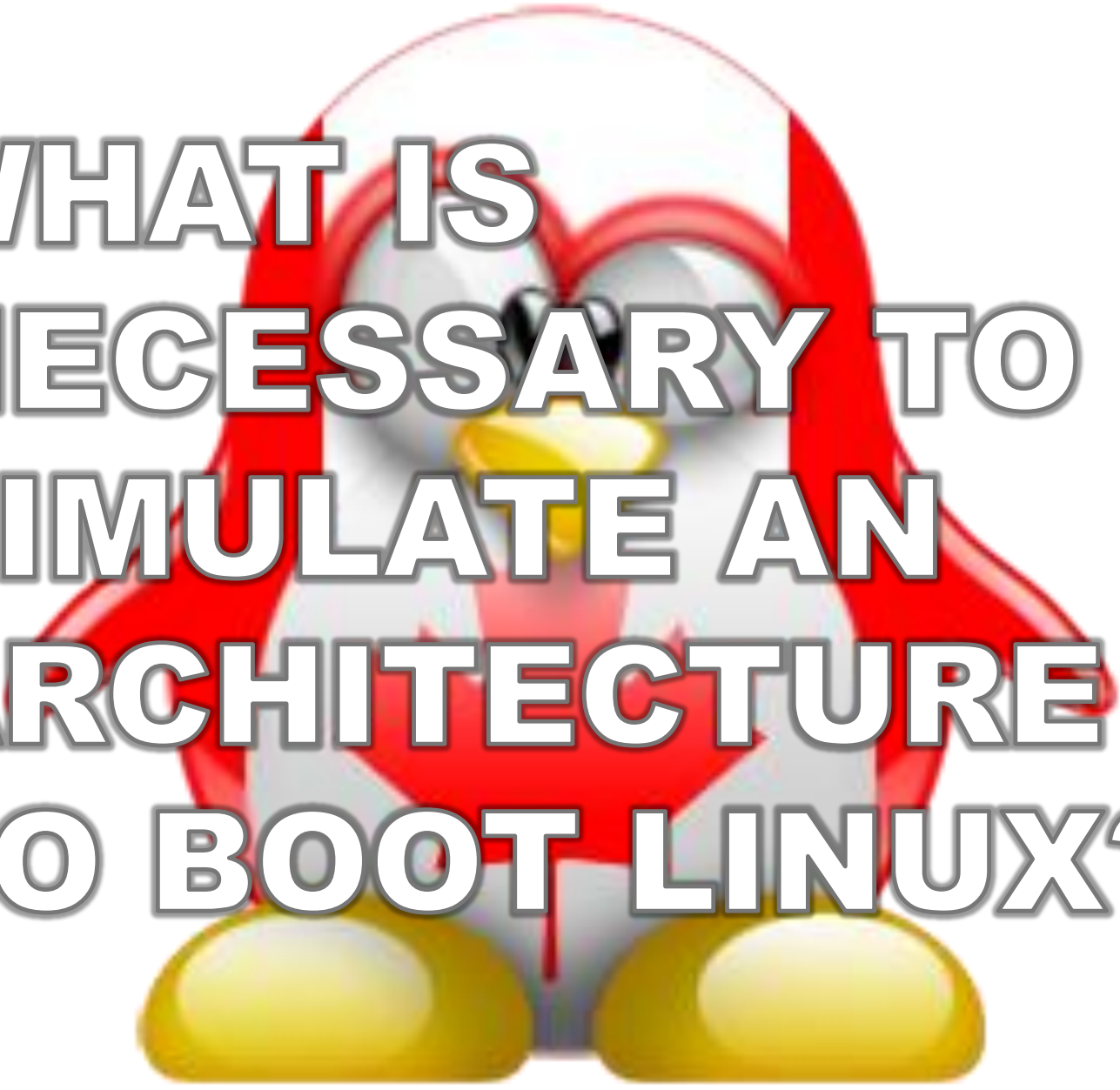
- **Writing an emulator is a fun way to learn a new language**

JOR1K TIMELINE



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**WHAT IS
NECESSARY TO
SIMULATE AN
ARCHITECTURE
TO BOOT LINUX?**

Goal: take an easy architecture

WHICH ARCHITECTURE?

X86 architecture software developer manual

- 4618 pages
- More than 500 instructions

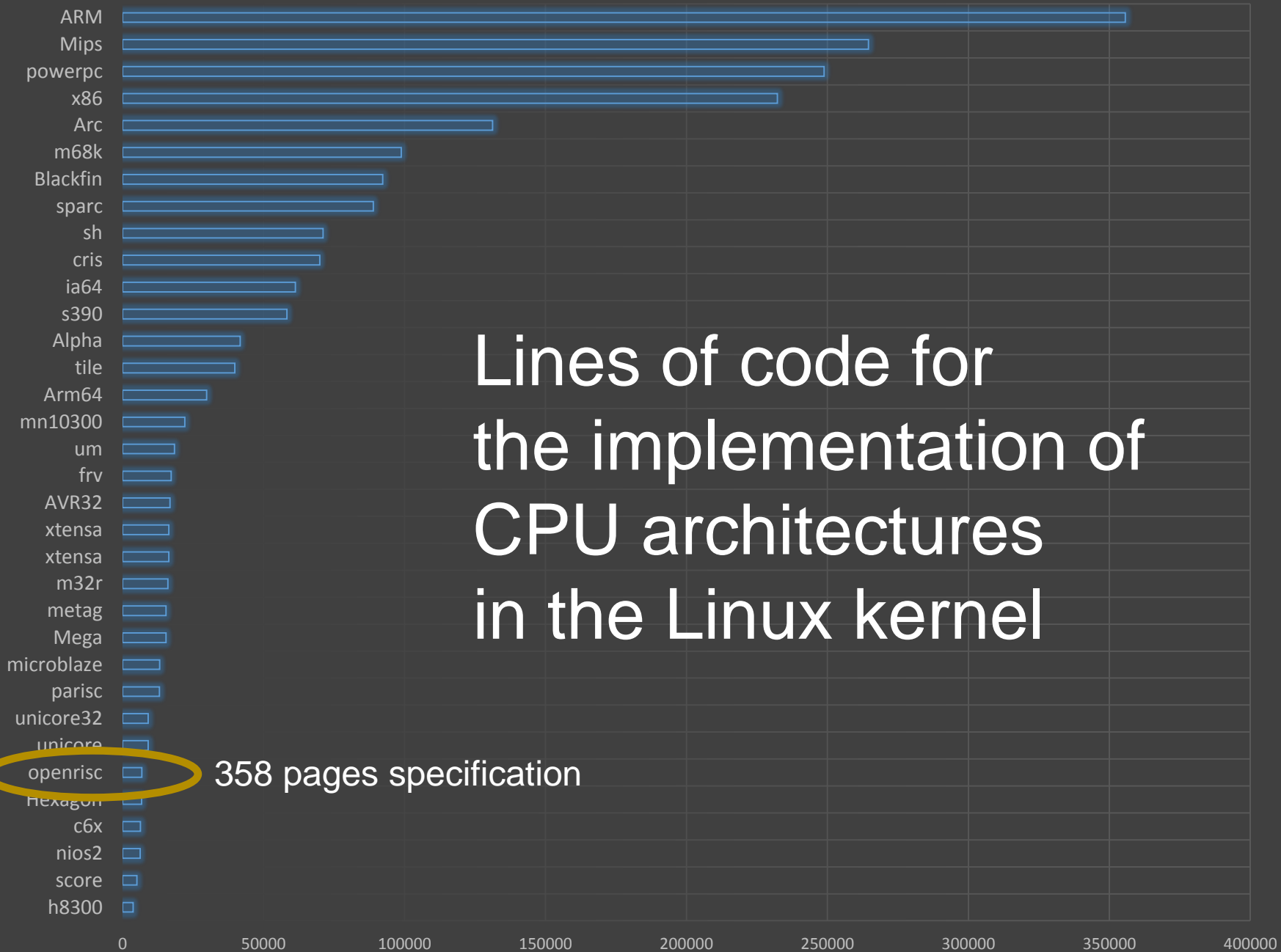
ARMv8 Architecture Reference Manual:

- 5740 pages
- contains 3125 times the word „unpredictable“
- contains 2290 times the word „undefined“



For comparison: MS Office file format spec ~6000 pages

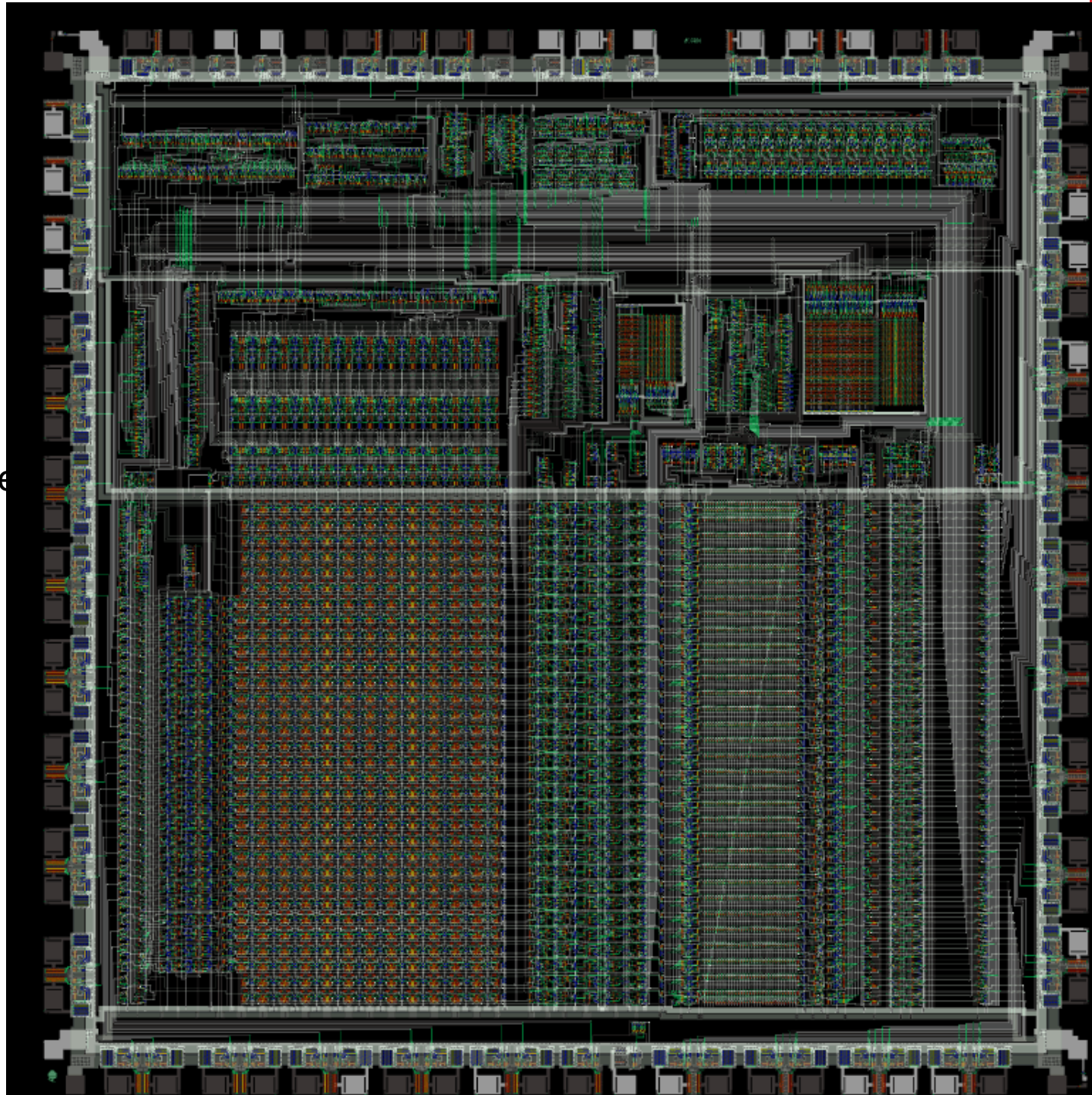
Lines of code for the implementation of CPU architectures in the Linux kernel



358 pages specification

SIMULATE ON THE CIRCUIT LEVEL

- ARM 1
- 25.000 transistors
- Runs at 20Hz
- 45000 lines of code



(Recorded from
visual6502.org)

SIMULATE ON THE MACHINE CODE LEVEL

International Obfuscated C Code contest entry of 2013 from Adrian Cable

Intel 8086/186 CPU (29000 transistors)

1MB RAM

8072A 3.5" floppy disk controller (1.44MB/720KB)

Fixed disk controller (supports a single hard drive up to 528MB)

Hercules graphics card with 720x348 2-color graphics (64KB video RAM), and CGA 80x25 16-color text mode support

8253 programmable interval timer (PIT)

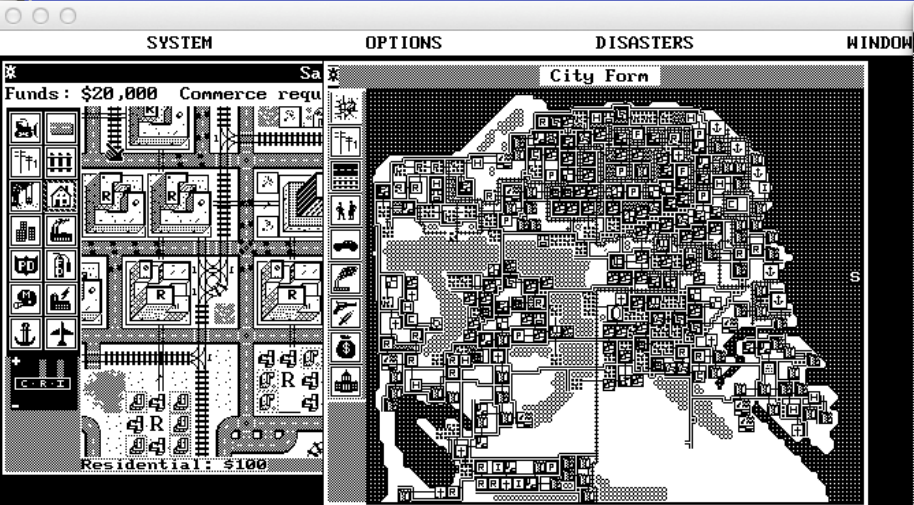
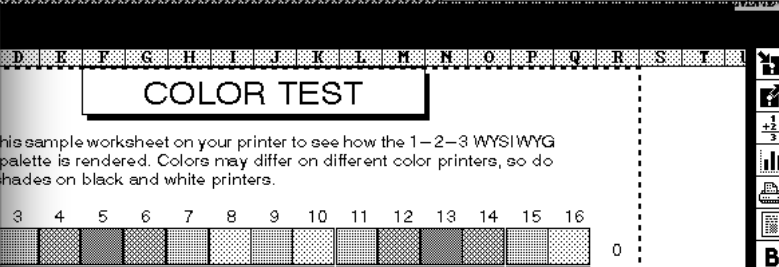
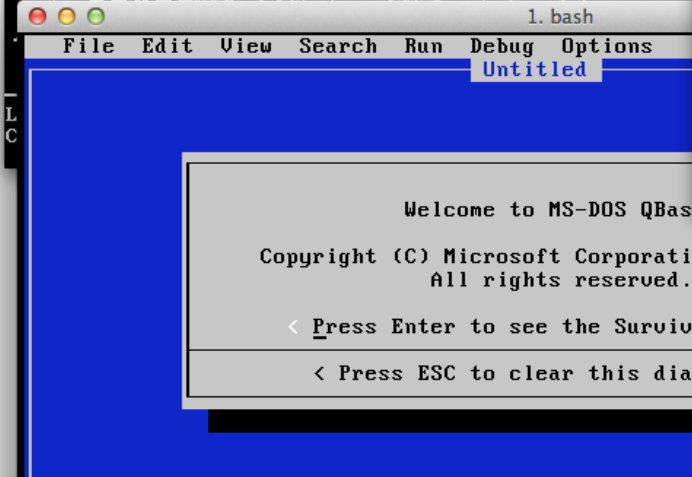
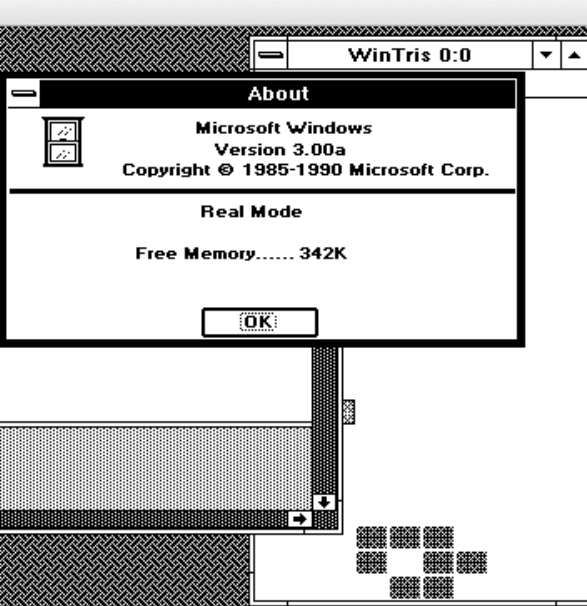
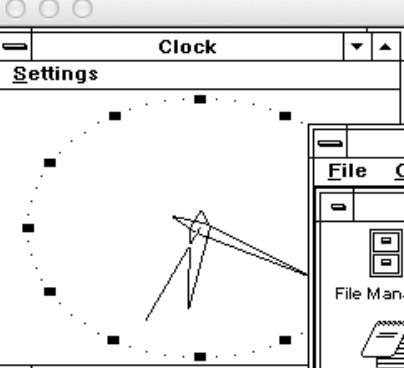
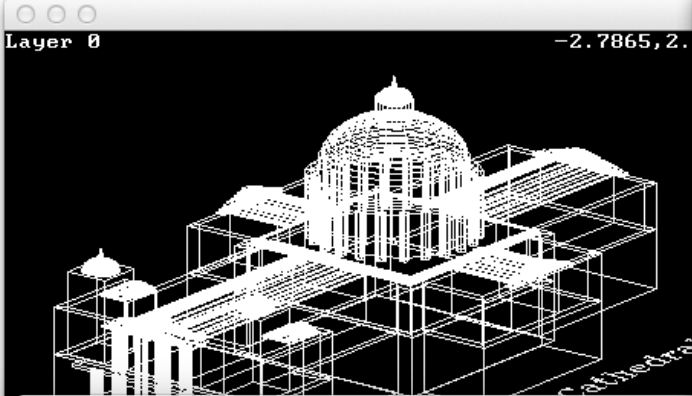
8259 programmable interrupt controller (PIC)

8042 keyboard controller with 83-key XT-style keyboard

MC146818 real-time clock

PC speaker

```
#include "SDL.h"
2
3 #define $ for(0=9
4 #define CX M+= (T%3+2*(!T*t-6))
5 #define x ,A=4*!T,0=t,W=h=T<3?u(Q?p:D(A+3),D(A),D(A+1)[i]+D(A+2)*g+):K(t),U=V=K(a),o?U=h,W=V:V,
6 #define C 8*~L
7 #define Z short
8 #define y a(Z)Y[++0]
9 #define B ),a--||{
10 #define _ ),e--||{
11
12 #define V(I,D,E) (0=a(I)h[r])&&! (A=(D) (V=(1[E+L]<<16)+*i)/0,A-(I)A)?1[E+L]=V-0*( *E=A):H(0)
13 #define i(B,M)B(o){return M;}
14 #define R(0,M,_)(S=L?a(I Z)0:N=L?a(I Z)0 M(f=a(I Z)_):(0 M(f=a(I N)_))
15 #define T(_)R(r[u(10,L=4,--)],,_)
16 #define u(a,r,T)16*i[a]+(I Z) T i[r]
17 #define a(_)*(**)&
18 #define L(_)M(W,_,U)
19
20 #define M(S,F,T)R(r[S],F,r[T])
21 #define A(_) (i[L=4]+2,R(,_,r[u(10,4,-2+)]))
22 #define c(R,T) (1[u=19,L+T]=(M=a(R)h[r]* (R) *T)>>16,*i=N,G(F(N-(R)M))
23 #define h(_)(1&(L?a(Z)_:_)>>C-1)
24 #define I unsigned
25 #define n char
26 #define e(_)(v(F(40[L(##=40[E]+),E]N=S|_ N<_(int)S))
27
28 I n t,e,l[80186],*E,m,u,L,a,T,o,r[l<<21],X,*Y,b,Q,R;I Z*i,M,p,q=3;I*localtime(),f,S,kb,h,W,U,c,g,d,V,A;N,0,P=988040,j[5]:SDL_Surface*k;i(F,40[E]!=!o)i(
z,42[E]!=!o)i(D,r[a(I)E[259+4*o+0])i(w,i[o]++~(-2*47[E])*~L)i(v,G(N-S&&1&(40[z((f^=S^N)&16],E)^f>>C-1)))J({V=61442;g;0--;}V+=40[E+0]<<D(25);}i(H,(46[
u=76,J(t),T(W),T(9[i]),T(M),M(P+18,=,4*o+2),R(M,=,r[4*o]),E)=0)}s{o{g;0--;}40[E+0]=1&&1<<D(25)&o;}i(BP,(*i+=262*o*z(F((E&15)>9)42[E])),*E&=15)}i(SP,(w
(7),R&&-1[i] &&o?R++,Q&&Q+++,M--=0)DX({$;0=27840;0--;}0{(I*)k>pixels]=!!(1<<7-0*8&r[0/2880*90+0*720/8+(88+952[1]/128*4+0/720*4<<13]))};SDL_Flip(k);}
main(BX,nE)n**nE:{9[i=E-r+p]=P>>4;g;q;j[--q]=**+nE?open(*nE,32898):0;read(2[a(I)*i=*j]?lseek(*j,0,2)>>9:0,j],E+(M=256),P);g;Y=r+16*9[i]+M,Y-r;Q|R||kb&
46[E]&&KB)--64[T=1[0=32[L=(X=*Y&7)&1,o=X/2&1,l]=0,t=(c=y)&7,a=c/8&7,Y]>>6,g=~T?y:(n)y,d=BX-y,l],!T*t-6&&T-2?T-1?d=g:0:(d=y),Q&&Q--+,R&&R--x(0=*Y,0=u=D(
51),e=D(8),m=D(14)_ 0=*Y/2&7,M+=n)*c*(L^D(m)[E][D(22)[E][D(23)[E]^D(24)[E]])_ L=*Y&8,R(K(X)[r],,c)_ L=e+3,o=0,a=X x a=m _ T(X[i])_ A(X[i])_ a<2?M(U
,+=1-2*a+,P+24),v(f=1),G(S+1-a=1<<C-1),u=u&4?19:57;a-6?CX+2,a-3||T(9[i]),a&2&&T(M),a&1&&M(P+18,=,U+2),R(M,=,U[r]),u=67:T(h[r])_ (W=U B u=m,M=~L,R(W[r
],&d)B 0 B L(=)B L(=),S=0,u=22,F(N>S)B L?c(I Z,i):c(I n,E)B/**/L?c(Z,i):c(n,E)B L?V(I Z,I,i):V(I n,I Z,E)B L?V(Z,int,i):V(n,Z,E))_ ++e,h=P,d=c,T=3,a=m
,M--++e,13[W=h,i]=(o|=L)?(n)d:d,U=P+26,M=~!o,u=17+(m=a)_ (a=m B L(=)),F(N<S)B L(=)B e(+)B e(-)B L(=)B L(=),F(N>S)B L(=)B L(-),F(N>S)B L(=)_ !L?L=
a+8 x L(=):!o?Q=1,R(r[p=m x V],,h):A(h[r])_ T=a=0,t=6,g=c x M(U,=,W)_ (A=h(h[r]),V=m**+M,(n)g:o?31&2[E]:1)&&(a<4?V%a/2+C,R(A,=,h[r]):0,a&1?R(h[r
],>>=,V):R(h[r],<<=,V),a>3?u=19:0,a<5?0:F(S>>V-1&1)B R(h[r],+=,A>>C-V),G(h(N)^F(M&1))B A&=(1<<V)-1,R(h[r],+=,A<<C-V),G(h(N)*^F(h(N)))B R(h[r],+=,(40[E
]<<V-1)+,A>>1+C-V),G(h(N)^F(A&1<<C-V))B R(h[r],+=,(40[E]<<C-V)+,A<<1+C-V),F(A&1<<V-1),G(h(N)^h(N*2))B G(h(N)^F(h(S<<V-1)))B G(h(S))B 0 B V<C||F(A),G(0),
R(h[r],+=,A*~((1<<C)-1>>V))_ (V=!!-1[a=X,i]B V&=m[E]B V&=m[E]B 0 B V=!!+1[i]),M+=V*(n)c _ M+=3-o,L?0:o?9[M=0,i]=BX:T(M),M+=o*L?(n)c:c _ M(U,&W)_ L=
e+=8,W=P,U=K(X)_ !R||1[i]?M(m<2?u(8,7),:P,=,m&1?P:u(Q?p:11,6),),m&1||w(6),m&2||SP(1)_ !R||1[i]?M(m?P:u(Q?p:11,6),),-,u(8,7),),43[u=92,E]=!N,F(N>S),m||w
(6),SP!(N=b):0 _ o=L,A(M),m&&A(9[i]),m&&2?s(A(V)):o||4[i]+c)_ R(U[r],=,d)_ 986[1]^=9,R(*E,=,1[m?2[i]:(n)c])_ R(1[m?2[i]:(n)c],=,*E)_ R=2,b=L,Q&&Q++
W-U?L(=),M(U,=,W),L(=):0 _ T(m[i])_ A(m[i])_ Q=2,p=m,R&&R++_ L=0,O=*E,F(D(m+=3*42[E]+6*40[E])),z(D(1+m)),M=*E=D(m-1)_ N=BP(m-1)_ 1[E]=h(*E)_ 2[i]=
h(*i)_ 9[T(9[i]),T(M+5),i]=BX,M=c _ J(t),T(V)_ s(A(V))_ J(t),s((V&~m)+1[E])_ J(t),1[E]=V _ L=o=1 x L(=),M(P+m,=,h+2)_ ++M,H(3)_ M+=2,H(c&m)_ ++M,m[E]&&H(4)_
(c&=m)?1[E]=*E/c,N=*E%c:H(0)_ *i=N=m&E[L=0]+c*1[E]_*E=-m[E]_*E=r[u(Q?p:m,3,*E+)]_ m[E]^=1 _ E[m/2]=m&1 _ R(*E,&c)_ (a=c B write(1,E,1)B time(j+3),
memcpy(r+u(8,3),localtime(j+3),m),a<2?*E=-lseek(0=4[E][j],a(I)5[i]<<9,0)?((I(*)())(a?write:read))(0,r+u(8,3),*i):0:0),0=u,D(16)?v(0):D(17)&&G(F(0)),
CX*D(20)+D(18)-D(19)*~!L,D(15)?0=m=N,41[43[44[E]=h(N),E]=!N,E]=D(50):0,!++q?kb=1,*1?SDL_PumpEvents(),k=k?k:SDL_SetVideoMode(720,348,32,0),DX(:)k?
SDL_Quit(),k=0:0:0;}i(G,48[E]=o)i(K,P+(L?2*o:2*o+o/4&7))
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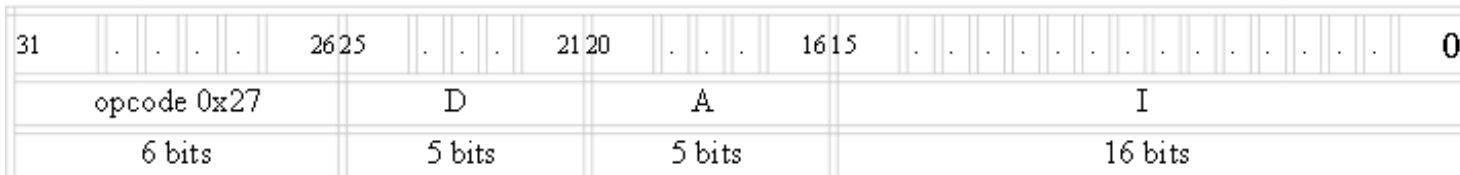


1. CPU (OPENRISC)

- **32-Bit address and data bus**
- **32 registers**
- **Instruction size of 4 byte (reduced instruction set)**
- **arithmetic and logical operations**
 - add, sub, mul, div, or, and, xor, shift left, shift right
 - three operand instructions for signed and unsigned integers
- **Load-Store (word, half-word, byte, signed and unsigned load)**
- **Conditional and unconditional branching (absolute and relative)**
- **Comparison (signed and unsigned)**
- **Two modes of operation: supervisor and user**
- **Exceptions (timer interrupts, switch of modes, bus error, reset, div by 0)**
- **Special purpose registers (Status and Control, Timer, PIC, MMU, Debug, Power Management)**
- **optional floating point**

1. A CPU (OPENRISC)

Example: **add** with immediate Half Word ($r_D = r_A + I$)



```
switch(ins >>> 26)
{
....
case 0x27: // addi instruction
    r[(ins>>>21)&0x1F] = r[(ins>>>16)&0x1F] + (ins << 16 >> 16);
    break;
....
}
```

↑
Sign extension from 16-Bit to 32-Bit

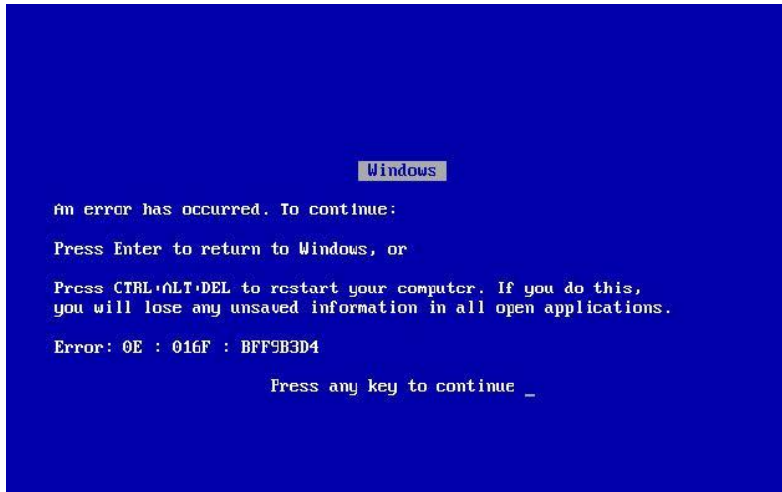
Instruction emulation implementation: ~ 600 lines of code

COMPARISON: “AND” INSTRUCTION EMULATION FOR ARM

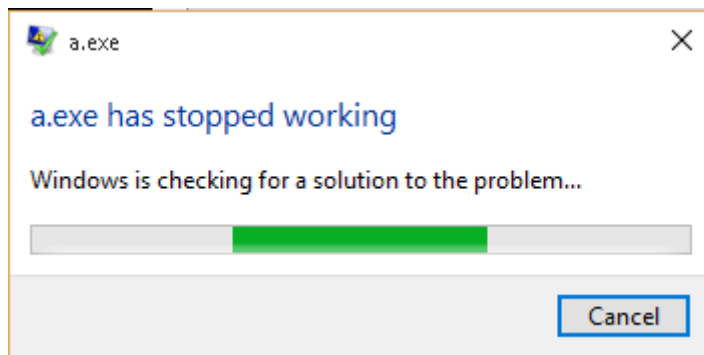
```
void
armv5 and(){
    uint32 t icode = ICODE;
    int rn,rd;
    uint32 t cpsr=REG_CPSR;
    uint32 t Rn,op2,result;
    uint32 t S;
    if(!check_condition(icode)) {
        return;
    }
    rd=(icode>>12)&0xf;
    rn=(icode>>16)&0xf;
    Rn=ARM9_ReadReq(rn);
    cpsr&= ~(FLAG_N | FLAG_Z | FLAG_C);
    cpsr |= get_data_processing_operand(icode);
    op2 = AM_SCRATCH1;
    result=Rn&op2;
    ARM9_WriteReq(result,rd);
    S=testbit(20,icode);
    if(S) {
        if(!result) {
            cpsr|=FLAG_Z;
        }
        if(!ISNEG(result)) {
            cpsr|= FLAG_N;
        }
        if(rd==15) {
            if(MODE_HAS_SPSR) {
                SET_REG_CPSR(REG_SPSR);
            } else {
                fprintf(stderr,"Mode has no spsr in line %d\n",__LINE__);
            }
        } else {
            REG_CPSR=cpsr;
        }
    }
    dbgprintf("AND result op1 %08x,op2 %08x, result %08x\n",Rn,op2,result);
}
```


2. MEMORY PROTECTION WITH AN MMU - PHENOMENOLOGY

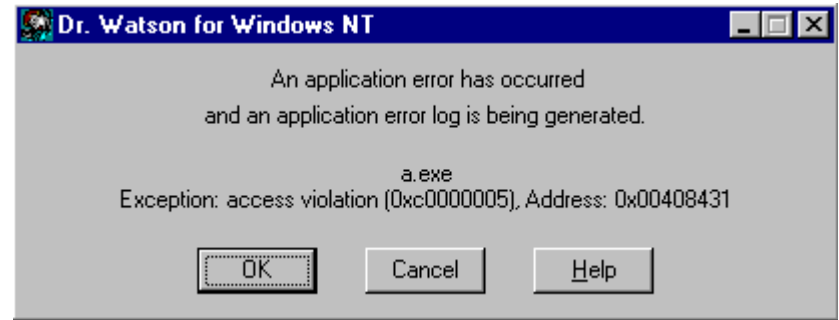
This happens when you execute `*(int*)NULL = 0xDEADBEEF;`



Windows 95 (bluescreen or freeze or something random)



Windows 10



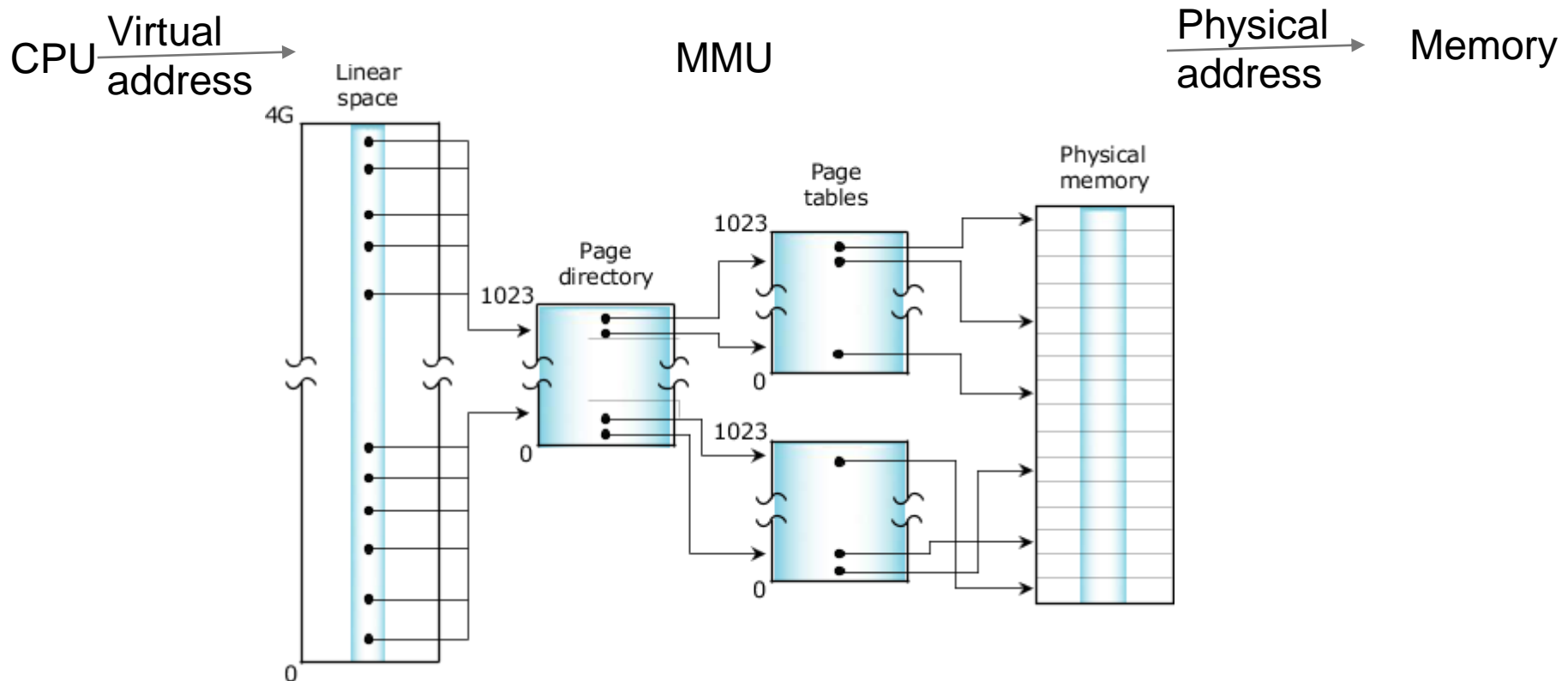
Windows NT 4.0

```
[root@km34632-06 ~]#  
[root@km34632-06 ~]#  
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[root@km34632-06 ~]#  
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[root@km34632-06 ~]#  
[root@km34632-06 ~]#  
[root@km34632-06 ~]#  
[root@km34632-06 ~]#  
[root@km34632-06 ~]# cat ../test.c  
#include<stdio.h>  
  
int main()  
{  
    *(int*)NULL = 0xDEADBEEF;  
    return 0;  
}  
[root@km34632-06 ~]# gcc ../test.c  
[root@km34632-06 ~]# ./a.out  
Segmentation fault  
[root@km34632-06 ~]#
```

Linux

2. THE MEMORY MANAGEMENT UNIT

Run each memory access through a table



- Page size of 8kB. 4 byte per page
 - Total page table size: 2MB to address full 4GB
- *Read, Write, Execute* flags for each page
- In Linux each process gets its own page directory and page table

3. TIMER

32-Bit

Tick timer count register (TTCR)

4 bit control, 28-Bit comparison

Tick timer mode register (TTMR)

```
CPU.prototype.AdvanceTimer = function(cycles) {
    if ((TTMR>>>30) == 0) return; // check if timer is enabled
    delta = getDelta(TTCR, TTMR); // distance between timer and alarm
    TTCR += cycles; //advance timer

    if (delta < cycles) {
        if (TTMR&(1<<29)) // if interrupt enabled
            TTMR |= (1<<28); // set pending timer interrupt
    }
}

CPU.prototype.CheckTimer = function() {
    if ((SR_TEE) && (TTMR & (1<<28)))
        Exception(EXCEPT_TICK);
}
```

4. PROGRAMMABLE INTERRUPT CONTROLLER

32-Bit

PIC Status register, each bit enables one interrupt line

32-Bit

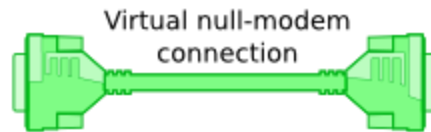
PIC Mask Register, each bit enables one interrupt line

```
CPU.prototype.RaiseInterrupt = function(line) {  
    PICSR |= 1 << line;  
    CheckForInterrupt();  
}
```

```
CPU.prototype.ClearInterrupt = function(line) {  
    PICSR &= ~(1 << line);  
}
```

```
CPU.prototype.CheckInterrupt = function() {  
    if (!SR_IEE) return; // check CPU interrupt enable flag  
    if (PICMR & PICSR) { // compare interrupt mask and interrupt set  
        register  
        Exception(EXCEPT_INT);  
    }  
}
```

5. TERMINAL SUPPORT AND SERIAL INTERFACE



- Terminal output: 360 lines of code
- Terminal input: 90 lines code
- Serial controller:
 - Connected to an interrupt line
 - Memory mapped I/O
 - 220 lines code

WHAT YOU NEED ON THE SOFTWARE SIDE?

	Architecture dependent lines of code
• <i>binutils</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• assembler, disassembler, linker, elf-file format, application binary interface	14207
• <i>GNU C Compiler</i>	6411
• <i>Linux kernel</i>	6183
• <i>C library (e. g. musl)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interface between user space program and kernel and basic functionality for C programs	2108
• <i>Busybox</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• stripped down unix tools in a single executable including shell	0

The first version of jor1k had around 2000 lines of code!

@juliusb poke53281: that is one of the coolest things I've ever seen :)

olofk juliusb: Hey, I thought I was the coolest thing you've ever seen

olofk ok, you said one of the coolest. Fair enough

Dec. 04th 2012: OpenRISC IRC Chat

A snail with a red and grey mechanical shell is moving across a green surface, leaving a white trail. The snail's body is white and textured, and it has a red and grey mechanical shell. The background is a solid green color. The text "SPEEDY JAVASCRIPT" is overlaid on the right side of the image in a bold, white, sans-serif font with a black outline.

SPEEDY JAVASCRIPT

JAVASCRIPT



- **is very creative with type coercion**

- `0 == "" => true`
- `"" - "" => 0`
- `if (new Array() == false) => true`
- `{ } + { } => NaN`
- `{ } + [] => 0`
- `{ } + { } + [] => "NaN"`
- `("NaN") => "NaN"`
- `({ } + { } + []) => ("[object Object][object Object]")`
- `0 > null => false`
- `0 >= null => true`
- `0 == null => false`
- `[1,2,3]+[4,5,6] => "1,2,34,5,6"`

- **is considered "slow"**

- At least four companies are writing optimized compilers to squeeze out the maximum performance.

ALL NUMBERS ARE DOUBLE

JavaScript doesn't know about integers, only doubles

- `y = 999999999999999999 => y = 100000000000000000`
(double) (double)

But there are logical operations which act on 32-Bit

- `y = 1.1234 | 2 => y = 3`
- `y = 0xFFFFFFFF | 0 => y = -1`
- `y = -1 >>> 0 => y = 0xFFFFFFFF`

The JavaScript-engines optimize for accuracy

- `y = 0x7FFFFFFF` (treated internal as integer)

There are also typed arrays

- `x = new Uint32Array(length)`

HOW TO PREVENT DEOPTIMIZATIONS?

What's wrong with the following code concerning the compiled code?

```
• for(;;) {  
    Advance_Timer();  
    Check_Interrupt();  
    vpc = Translate_Virtual();  
    ins = ram.Read32(vpc);  
    vpc += 4; // advance vpc  
    // decode instruction  
    switch (ins&0x7F)  
        ....  
}  
}
```

What happens internal?

1. Add 4 to vpc (integer)
2. Check for overflow
3. Deoptimize into double if overflow
4. Cascade of deoptimizations where pc is used.

HOW TO PREVENT DEOPTIMIZATIONS?

Prevent overflow by adding a “|0”

```
• for(;;) {  
    Advance_Timer();  
    Check_Interrupt();  
    ppc = Translate_Virtual  
    ins = ram.Read32(ppc);  
    vpc = (vpc + 4)|0;  
    // decode instruction  
    switch (ins&0x7F) {  
        ....  
    }  
}
```

What happens internal?

1. Add 4 to vpc (integer)
2. Ignore noop „|0“

HOW TO PREVENT DEOPTIMIZATIONS?

Add more typing helpers

- ```
for(;;) {
 Advance_Timer();
 Check_Interrupt();
 ppc = Translate_Virtual_To_Physical(vpc|0)|0;
 ins = ram.Read32(ppc|0)|0;
 vpc = (vpc + 4)|0;
 // decode instruction
 switch (ins&0x7F) {

 }
}
```

# WHAT IS ASM.JS?

The mode `"use strict"`; adds additional error messages for accessing undefined variables.

The mode `"use asm"`; adds additional error messages to give you a guarantee for fixed type variables that must be compiled only once.

- Only a subset of Javascript is allowed
- Fully compatible
- Implemented in Firefox in 2013
- Implemented in Edge in 2015

# WHAT IS ASM.JS?

But the syntax is nasty

- `group0[SPR_IMMUCFGR] = 0x18;`



- `h[group0p + (SPR_IMMUCFGR<<2) >> 2] = 0x18;`

`h` is the heap and `group0p` is the pointer to the table

In this case the “view” of the heap is 32 Bit. Hence the last operation for the index must be “>> 2”

Project Emscripten allows to translate C++ to asm.js JavaScript

"asm.js requires a style of coding only compilers can output. *A person writing actual asm.js code by hand would need to be insane as asm.js code required style of coding is horribly disorganized*"[1]

"Unfortunately asm.js requires one giant array to put things on. *No one in their right mind codes like that by hand.*"[2]

From Grant Galitz (JavaScript GameBoy Advance Emulator)

▲ binarymax 1093 days ago [-]

Very impressive work. I saw Brendan Eich speak At jquery uk in April and he said asm.js was meant for compilers and people should not be programming it directly...I couldn't help but smile and think 'oh yeah?'

On Hacker News Sep 17th 2013 regarding jor1k

▲ Sephr 493 days ago [-]

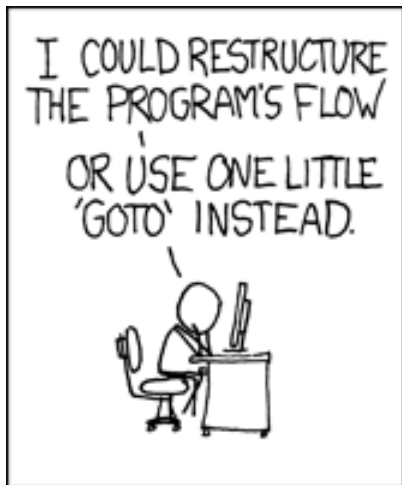
That's quite an impressive implementation! I didn't realize hand-written asm.js could be that readable.

On Hacker News May 10th 2015 regarding jor1k



# FURTHER OPTIMIZATIONS

Reducing the code per EMULATED instruction which has to be executed



# THE MMU: SOFTWARE TLB LOCKUP

## Implemented in two stages

1. Full translation table in memory
2. TLB variables (tlb buffer with one entry)

Translation fastpath of virtual to physical addresses:

```
if ((tlb_check ^ virtual_addr) >> 12)
{
 ...
 tlb_check = ...
 tlb_trans = ...
}
physical_addr = tlb_trans ^ virtual_addr;
```

# FENCE TECHNIQUE

For every instruction the program counter (pc) must be translated to the physical pc. However, the pc advances usually by 4 and is not leaving the current page. This property can be used by the fence technique

The fastpath for one instruction looks like this:

```
• for(;;) {
 if ((physical_pc|0) != (fence|0)) {
 ins = int32ram[physical_pc >> 2]|0;
 physical_pc = physical_pc + 4|0;

 switch (ins&0x7F) {

 }
 } else {
 Advance_Timer();
 Check_Interrupt();

 }
}
```

Jump unlikely



- The idea here is that the virtual *pc* is computed only when needed by translating *ppc* (physical pc) back to the virtual *pc* address. The variable *fence* is used to break out of the fast path when *ppc* reaches a jump or the end of the current page.

# ASSEMBLY LEVEL OPTIMIZATION

| Javascript code             | Block description                         | Generated x86 asm code                                                                                      |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| for(;;) {                   | .set .Llabel132981, .                     |                                                                                                             |
| if ((fence 0) != (ppc 0)) { |                                           | Movl (nil), %ecx<br>Movl (nil), %eax<br>Cmpl %eax, %ecx<br>je .Lfrom133000                                  |
| ins = ram[ppc >> 2] 0;      | MoveGroup<br>BitOpl:bitand                | movl %eax, %ecx<br>andl \$0xffffffffc, %ecx                                                                 |
|                             | AsmJSLoadHeap                             | cmpl \$0xffffffffc, %ecx<br>ja .Lfrom133022<br>movl 0x0000(%ecx), %ecx                                      |
|                             | MoveGroup                                 | movl %ecx, 0x2c(%esp)                                                                                       |
| ppc = ppc + 4 0;            | instruction Addl<br>AsmJSStoreGlobalVar   | addl \$4, %eax<br>movl %eax, (nil)                                                                          |
| switch(ins&0x7F) {          | MoveGroup<br>instruction<br>BitOpl:bitand | movl 0x2c(%esp), %edx<br>andl \$0x7f, %edx                                                                  |
|                             | TableSwitch                               | subl \$3, %edx<br>cmpl \$0x71, %edx<br>jae .Lfrom133081<br>movl \$0xffffffff, %ecx<br>jmp *0x0(%ecx,%eax,4) |

| Javascript code             | Block description                         | Generated x86 asm code                                                                                      |
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| for(;;) {                   | .set .Llabel132981, .                     |                                                                                                             |
| if ((fence 0) != (ppc 0)) { |                                           | Movl (nil), %ecx<br>Movl (nil), %eax<br>Cmpl %eax, %ecx<br>je .Lfrom133000                                  |
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|                             | AsmJSLoadHeap                             | cmpl \$0xfffffffffc, %ecx<br>je .Lfrom133022<br>movl 0x0000(%ecx), %ecx                                     |
|                             | MoveGroup                                 | movl %ecx, 0x2c(%esp)                                                                                       |
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**Unnecessary load**

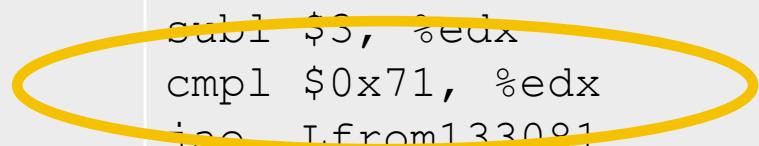
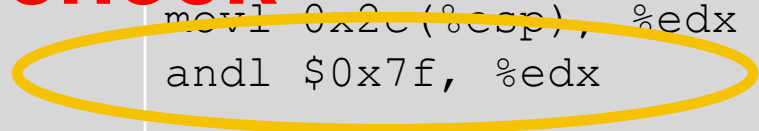
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|                             | AsmJSLoadHeap                             | cmpl \$0xffffffffc, %ecx<br>ja .Lfrom133022<br>movl 0x0000(%ecx), %ecx                                      |
|                             | MoveGroup                                 | movl %ecx, 0x2c(%esp)                                                                                       |
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| switch(ins&0x7F) {          | MoveGroup<br>instruction<br>BitOpl:bitand | movl 0x2c(%esp), %edx<br>andl \$0x7f, %edx                                                                  |
|                             | TableSwitch                               | subl \$3, %edx<br>cmpl \$0x71, %edx<br>jae .Lfrom133081<br>movl \$0xffffffff, %ecx<br>movl 0x0(%ecx,%eax,4) |

1 sub to save 12 bytes in a table

Add dummy case 0:

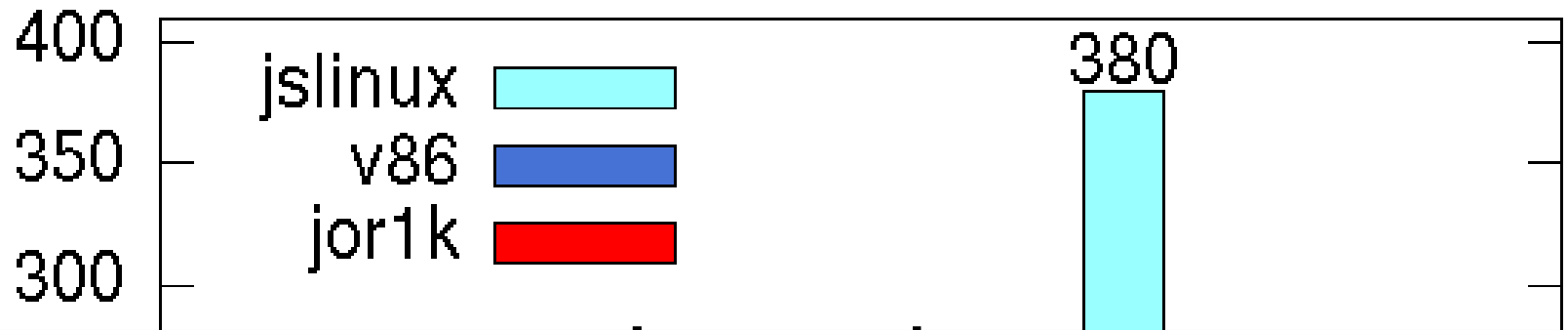
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|                             | AsmJSLoadHeap                             | cmpl \$0xffffffffc, %ecx<br>ja .Lfrom133022<br>movl 0x0000(%ecx), %ecx                                      |
|                             | MoveGroup                                 | movl %ecx, 0x2c(%esp)                                                                                       |
| ppc = ppc + 4 0;            | instruction Addl<br>AsmJSStoreGlobalVar   | addl \$4, %eax<br>movl %eax, (nil)                                                                          |
| switch(ins&0x7F) {          | MoveGroup<br>instruction<br>BitOpl:bitand | movl 0x2c(%esp), %edx<br>andl \$0x7f, %edx                                                                  |
|                             | TableSwitch                               | subl \$5, %edx<br>cmpl \$0x71, %edx<br>jac .Lfrom133081<br>movl \$0xffffffff, %ecx<br>jmp *0x0(%ecx,%eax,4) |

**Unnecessary  
check**





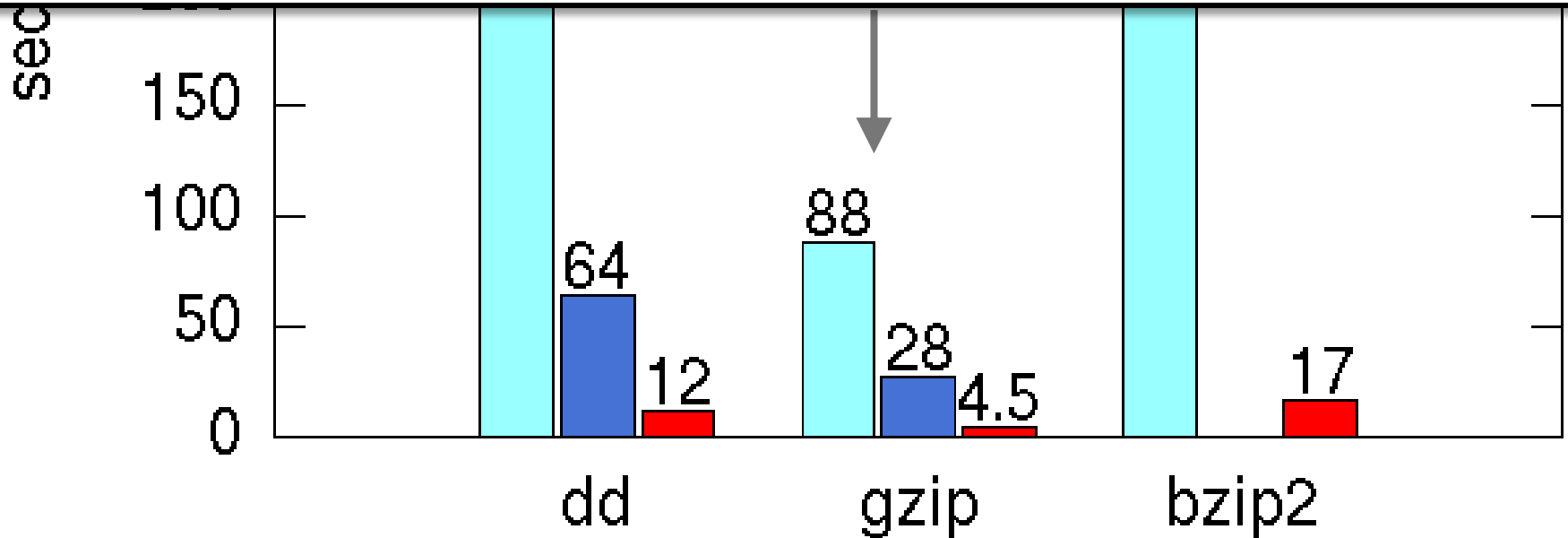
# BENCHMARK IN 2014



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Interesting , but most surprising for me is the asm.js part, i heard it can be faster, but by this much... holy Emacs, with standard core it runs at 6.5 MIPS, but with asm.js it's running at a 100 MIPS. Even in Chromium it runs at 50MIPS with asm.js and at 9MIPS with the standard core.



## Email from Sep 2015 from Fabrice Bellard (QEMU maintainer)

Von Fabrice Bellard <[REDACTED]> ⭐

Betreff **jslinux benchmark**

An Mich <sebastian@macke.de> ⭐

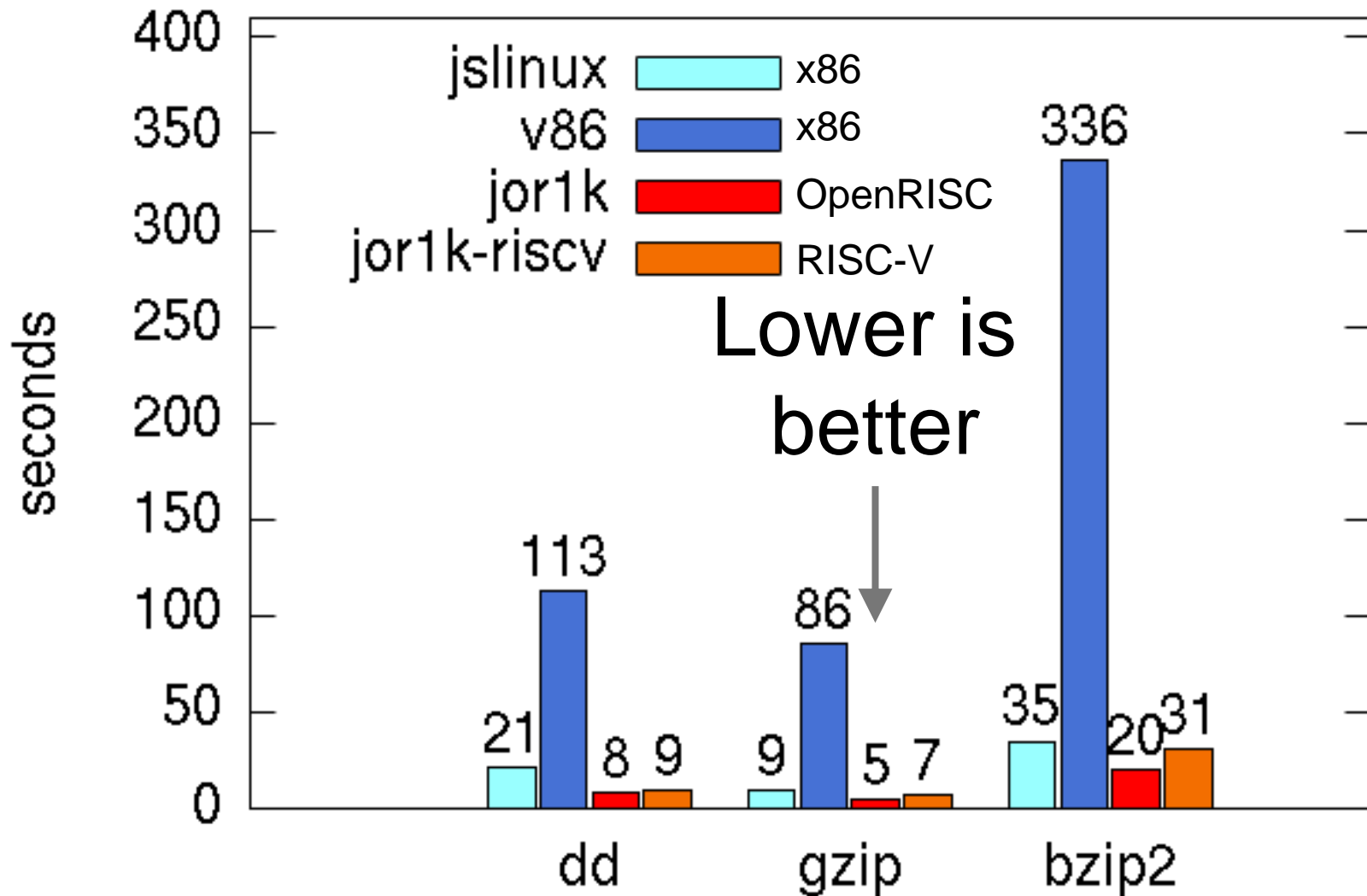
Hi Sebastian,

I spent some time converting jslinux to asm.js. It is still slower than your excellent jor1k but your benchmark at <https://github.com/s-macke/jor1k/wiki/Benchmark-with-other-emulators> needs to be revised 😊

Best regards,

Fabrice.

# BENCHMARK FROM SEP 2015



# BENCHMARK FROM SEP 2015

- Firefox on Core2Duo: 120 MIPS
- Firefox on Core i7 2600: 75 MIPS
- Firefox on Celeron G1820: 180 MIPS
- Firefox on Core i7 4770: 246 MIPS
- Chrome: on Core i7 2600: 60 MIPS
- IE 11 on Core i7 2600: 68 MIPS
- Safari on Apple A7: 81 MIPS

Approx. speed of the CPUs  
of the year 1997

OpenRISC CPU implementation: 1609 lines of code  
RISC-V CPU implementation : 2181 lines of code

dd

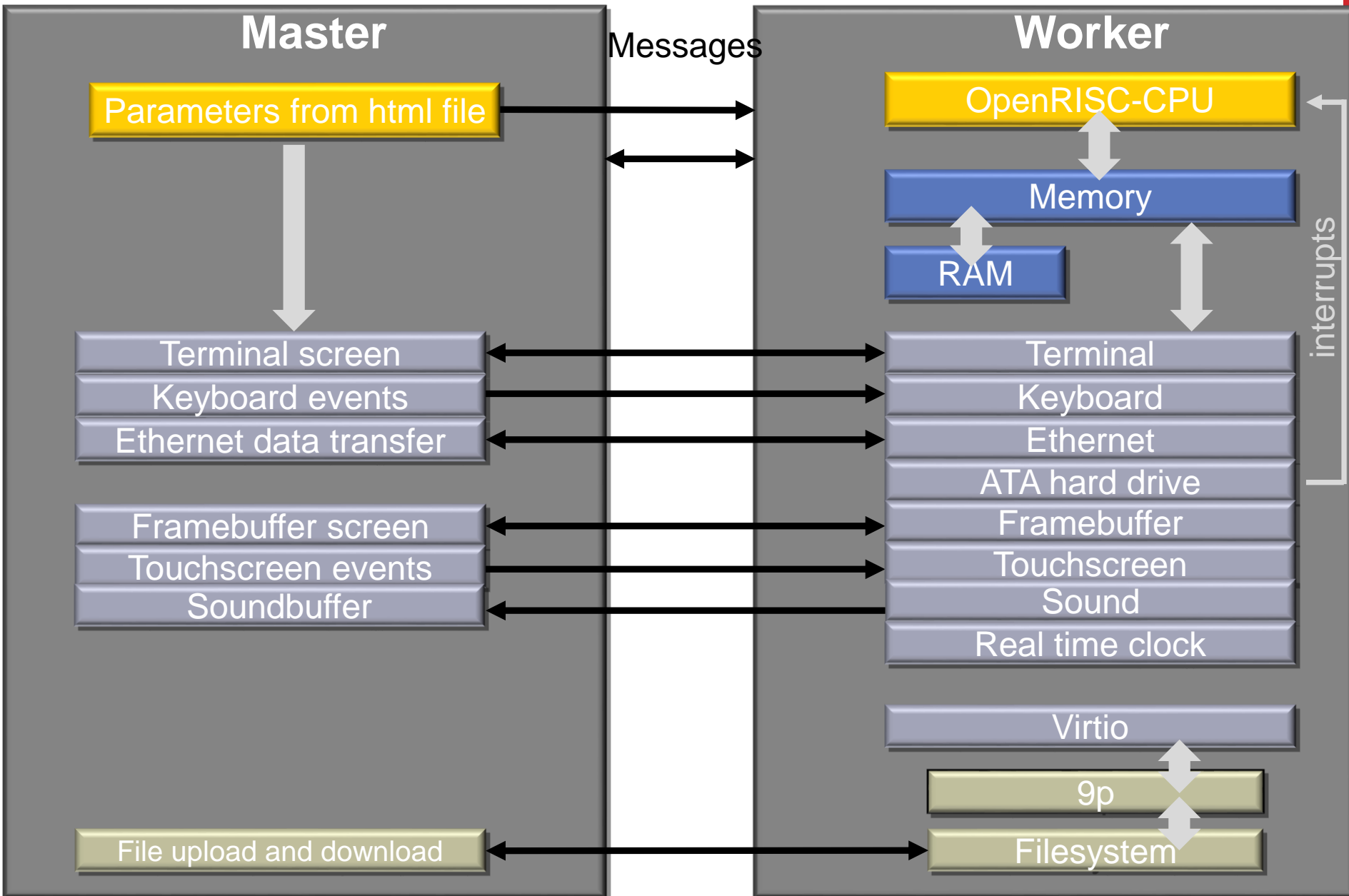
gzip

bzip2



# **MODULARIZATION AND PARALLELIZATION**

# SEPARATE INTO TWO THREADS



# MULTIPLE CORES

You need additionally:

- Core ID (consecutive number)
- Software interrupt: one core can send interrupt to another core
- One global timer, but separate alarms for each core.
- New synchronization instructions
  - Load-Link/Store Conditional (read-modify write operation, atomic)



Currently implemented (buggy) in one thread with time shaping

Mozilla announced SharedArrayBuffer and atomics for Javascript to allow real multithreading



Java?

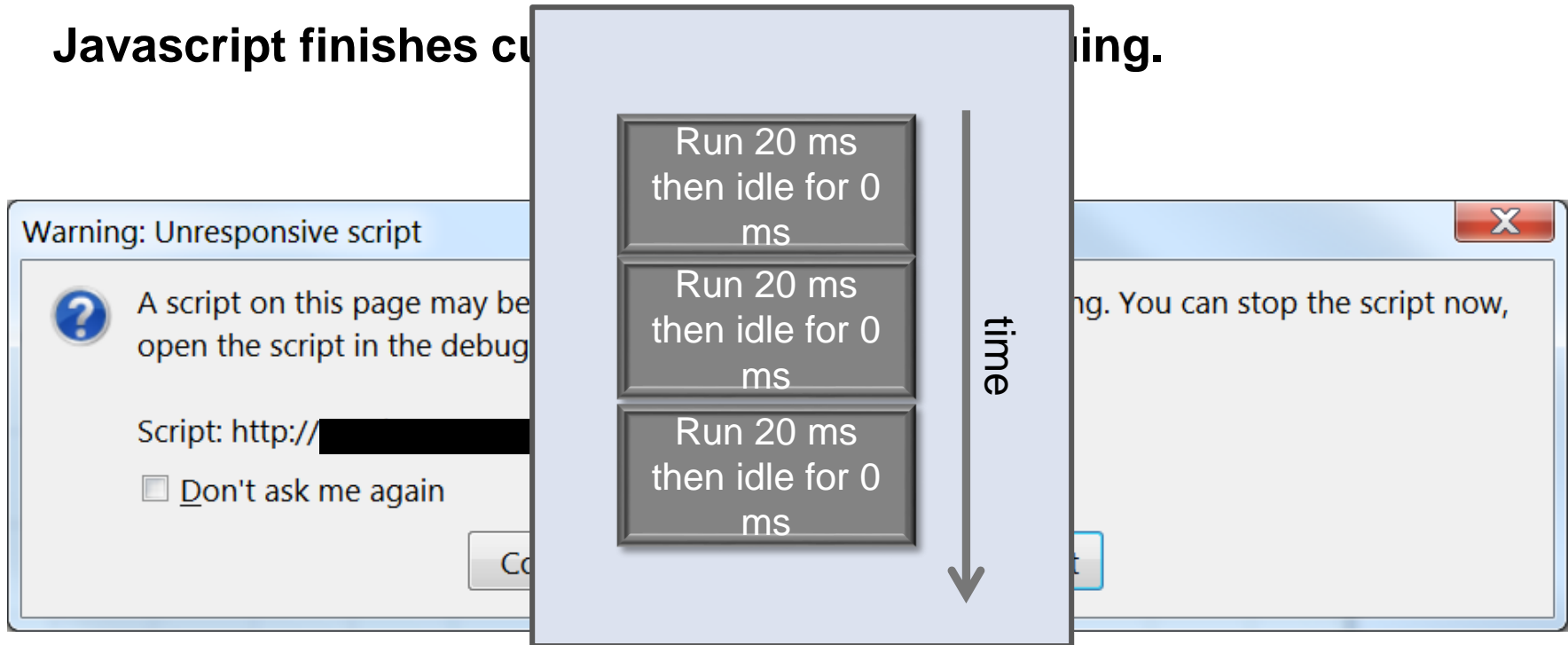
This is JavaScript

**HOW TO NOT IDLE  
IN JAVASCRIPT?**



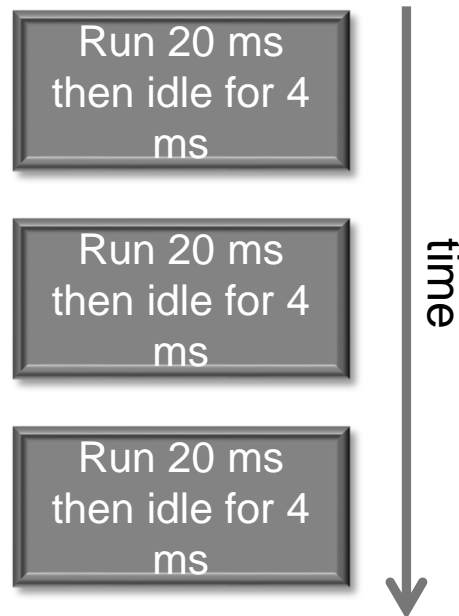
# HOW TO STAY 100% BUSY IN JAVASCRIPT BUT REMAIN RESPONSIVE?

Javascript finishes cu... ing.



# WHAT ABOUT THE WORKER THREAD?

- `setTimeout(function(){...}, 0);` doesn't work in worker thread. Message queue is never processed.
- But `setTimeout(function(){...}, 4);` works (4ms waiting time)



# WHAT ABOUT THE WORKER THREAD?

Can we get the number of messages  
in the queue or have non-blocking access?

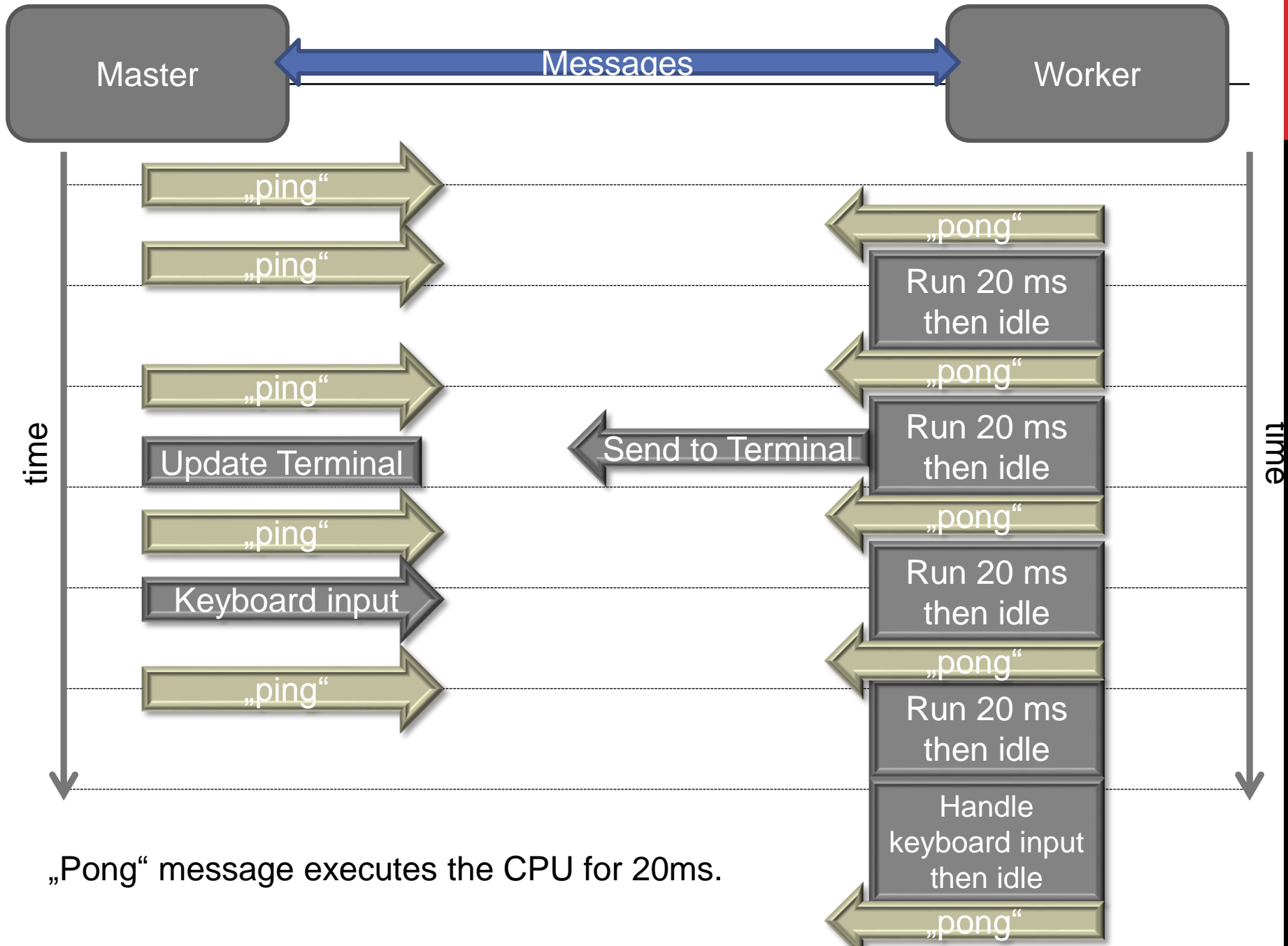
# NOPE!



# **SOLUTION**

**Play message ping pong, so that at least one message is always in the queue.**

# MESSAGE QUEUE



# **This was harmless!**

## **Next time:**

# **The horror of exact timing in JavaScript**

# **How to implement a (streaming) audio device into JavaScript?**

- **Unreliable speed of Javascript**
- **Only millisecond time resolution**
- **Events trigger only, when you are idle**
- **Message queue between worker and master**

# NETWORK



- *Yo dawg, I heard you like browsing the web, so I put a browser in your browser so you can browse while you browse! (Twitter user Scott Elcomb)*

# NETWORK

## Server in the USA

- connected via websockets
- Sending and receiving ethernet frames connected to a Linux TAP device

## Full working intranet

- Start jor1k in two windows and open a ssh session between them.

## Major network applications available

- wget, curl, nc, ping, traceroute, telnet, ssh, nmap
- Openssl with certificates
- Web browsers: lynx, links, dillo





# The Filesystem

How to implement an efficient filesystem with a  
size of 200MB  
and 5000 files  
that runs on the website?

# THE FILESYSTEM

How long does it take to get the size of a directory structure with 10000 files over the internet?

- NFS
- Samba
- Sshfs
- On demand block device



**Problem is mainly latency, not throughput**

Advantages of our filesystem:

- Read only filesystem on server

# THE FILESYSTEM

## Implement filesystem outside of the emulator to have full control

- tmpfs like. Use virtio/9p as “file system as hard ware device” to exchange commands with Linux

## Load the filesystem layout and metadata during the Linux boot process.

```
{ "name": "mtd_probe", "mode": "100755", "size": 3996, "c": 1},
 { "name": "v4l_id", "mode": "100755", "size": 4300, "c": 1},
 { "name": "collect", "mode": "100755", "size": 10444, "c": 1},
 { "name": "ata_id", "mode": "100755", "size": 10352, "c": 1},
 { "name": "accelerometer", "mode": "100755", "size": 14812, "c": 1}
}],
{ "name": "libudev.so.1.3.0", "mode": "100755", "size": 142420, "c": 1},
{ "name": "libudev.so.1", "mode": "120777", "path": "libudev.so.1.3.0"}
}],
```

## Load compressed files on demand.

- OpenRISC binaries compress really well
- .bz2 currently, in future .xz
- Ordinary web server needed

## Future: dependencies between files. packages

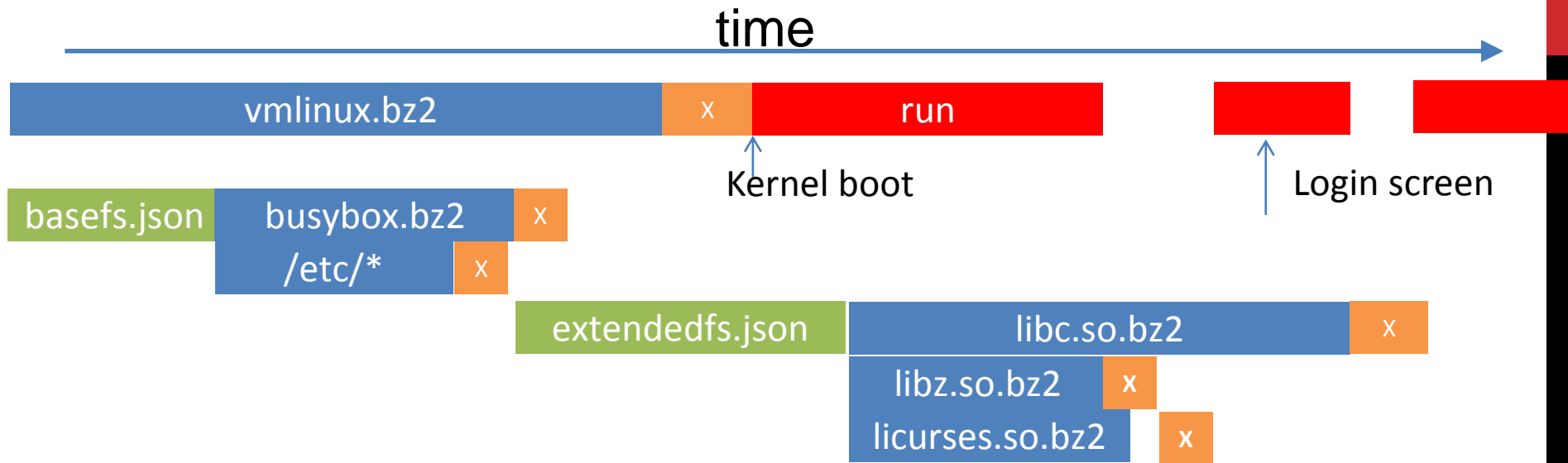
- http 2.0 will help heres



A screenshot of a Reddit comment. The comment is by user DrCrayola, who has 8 points and posted it 2 years ago. The text of the comment is "FINALLY! rm -rf / with no repercussions". Below the text are several interactive options: "permalink", "embed", "save", and "give gold".

reddit on jor1k

# BOOT PROCESS TIMELINE



time

Load of filesystem from server

Parallel load of files from filesystem

Non-parallelized decompression of file

# ADDITIONAL FEATURES OF THE FILESYSTEM

**Atomic file operations**

**Full control from the outside**

**Watching Files**

**Upload files into home folder**

**Download home folder (as .tar)**

**My own cloud: Sync with server**

- Unique user id (<http://s-macke.github.io/jor1k/?user=cdqKKPxjfa>)
- Currently 1MB quota
- server only needs upload.php

# IS THE EMULATOR USEFUL?

Well, sort of ...

- Technology demonstration, Advertisement
- Interactive online tutorials
- Easy way to port and present terminal software
- Teaching programming languages
- Rogue like Network access
- Fast testing environment for binaries
- JavaScript benchmark
- You can play games like Doom, Monkey Island, Elite II and Toppler

# **FUTURE**

- **Full virtio driver support (done)**
- **Virtio-GPU and full-screen X-Window system**
- **More terminals, better user interface**
- **Download already booted Linux (state file)**
- **Status, statistics and debug screen**
- **Run Java**
- **Run Firefox**

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- ***Prannoy Pilligundla*** for implementing RISC-V
- ***Lawrence Angrave and Neelabh Gupta*** for the C-development website
- ***Jonas Bonn*** for the Linux kernel support
- ***Christian Svensson*** for the OpenRISC Debian distribution



# Play Monkey Island

# MONKEY ISLAND

TM & (c) 1990 LucasArts Entertainment Co

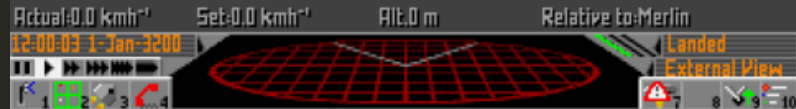
# Develop in C

```

1
2
3
4 // Compiler
5 // Compile this program to find the synt
6 #include <stdio.h>
7 int main() {
8
9 printf("Hello World!\n");
10 return 0;
11 }
12

```

# Play Elite II



# Play DOOM



# X Window system available



# Watch movies



# Play Toppler



# run Benchmarks

```

120
449
Performance run
2K performance run parameters for coremark.
CoreMark Size : 666
Total ticks : 13218
Total time (secs): 13.218000
Iterations/Sec : 151.308821
Iterations : 2000
Compiler version : GCC4.9.0
Compiler flags : -O2 -lrt
Memory location : Please put data memory location here
(e.g. code in flash, data on heap etc)

seedcrc : 0xe9f5
[0]crclist : 0xe714
[0]crcmatrix : 0x1fd7
[0]crcstate : 0x8e3a
[0]crcfinal : 0x4983
Correct operation validated. See readme.txt for run and reporting rules.
CoreMark 1.0 : 151.308821 / GCC4.9.0 -O2 -lrt / Heap

```