Getting -current with OpenBSD

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Things to talk about

- Hardware: armv7, arm64
- Software: pledge(2), unveil(2)
- Toolchains
- Meltdown/Spectre/SMT
- RETGUARD
- Ports land
- Playing Steam games on OpenBSD!!!

Hardware

armv7

- 6.0
 - o armv7 platform is born
- 6.1
 - Bye bye armish, zaurus (pre-armv7)
 - o PIE on arm
- 6.3
 - Clang
 - VFP/NEON instructions
- -current
 - o Id.IId



arm64

- 6.1
 - o arm64 platform is born
 - o 100% LLVM toolchain (a first!)
- 6.3
 - o SMP
- 6.4
 - ACPI
 - o radeondrm(4)



OpenBSD/arm*

- Installation
 - Still over serial line for a lot of things
 - But fortunately one cable can be used on many things
- Using it
 - o armv7
 - No graphics (yet)
 - No SMP (yet)
 - o arm64
 - Graphics with radeondrm(4)
 - SMP
- Packages (>8300)

Software

pledge(2) and unveil(2)

- pledge(2): 5.9
 - o tame(2)
 - Works on syscalls
- unveil(2): 6.4
 - Works on filesystems

pledge(2)

- #include <unistd.h>
- int pledge(const char *promises, const char *execpromises);

pledge(2)

- Using
 - Error condition is -1
 - o if (pledge("", NULL) == -1)
 - You can call pledge multiple times over the life of a program
 - "Fine tuning" pledge
- It is the responsibility of the programmer to know what syscalls will be used.
 - Sometimes this might be a little unusual at first
 - For example, using sndio would require the following promises string for sio_open
 - stdio rpath wpath cpath inet unix dns audio
 - You can drop all but audio after the final sio_open call

pledge(2)

- Things that are pledged (outside base)
 - Chromium
 - Firefox
 - o glib2
 - \circ gtk+3/gtk+4
- Languages that have pledge support (outside base)
 - Haskell
 - o Go
 - Lua
 - Node

unveil(2)

- #include <unistd.h>
- int unveil(const char *path, const char *permissions);

unveil(2)

Using

- Error condition is -1
- unveil is a pledge promise!
- o if (pledge("... unveil ...", NULL) == -1)
- o if (unveil("/home/brian", "r") == -1)
- Further calls add to the list (opposite of pledge!)

Permissions

- "r" (read, think pledge rpath promise)
- "w" (write, think pledge wpath promise)
- "x" (execute, think pledge exec promise)
- o "c" (create, think pledge cpath promise)

unveil(2)

- Chrome/Iridium already use unveil!
 - o Can be disabled with --disable-unveil if you encounter bugs

Toolchains

- gcc-4.2.1 \rightarrow clang-6.0.0
 - o amd64
 - o arm64
 - o armv7
 - o i386
 - mips64/mips64el (not default compiler)
 - sparc64 (not default compiler)
- GNU ld.bfd 2.17 → LLVM ld.lld 6.0.0
 - o amd64
 - o arm64
 - o armv7
 - o i386

Meltdown/Spectre/SMT

- -mretpoline
- hw.smt sysctl

RETGUARD

- Per-function stack cookie
- Implemented as an independent pass in LLVM

Ports land

- Toolchain excitement
 - Especially Id.IId
- Exotics arch support
- The 10,000 packages milestone

The OpenBSD Gaming Project

- Mono
- Fnaify
- Open source gaming engines
- PlayOnBSD.com
- Demo?

Other things of interest

- macppc64 port?
- LLVM 7.0.1 forthcoming
 - OpenPOWER?
 - o RISC-V?

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