Class Work 8 - Memory Management and Working with Files

TASK 1: Memory Management

1. Differentiate between Contiguous Memory Allocation and Block Linkage

Consider a storage device with 100 blocks of storage. Each block has a size of 2kB. A file directory contains the following files that are to be saved in by the file manager. The shaded area of the storage space is already occupied.

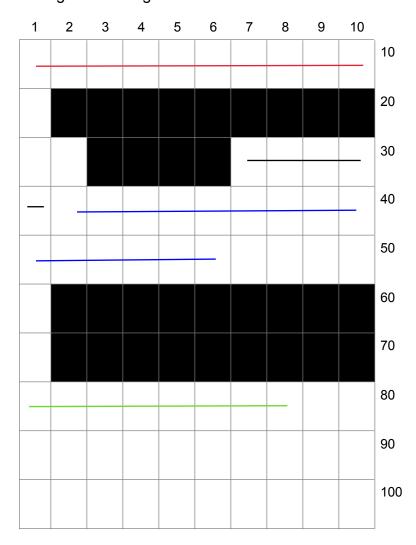
File name	File size	
Exam.doc	30kB	
Keith.txt	15kB	
Grades.xls	20kB -	
solution.txt	10kB —	

Show how the above files would be stored (if possible) under each of the following strategies:

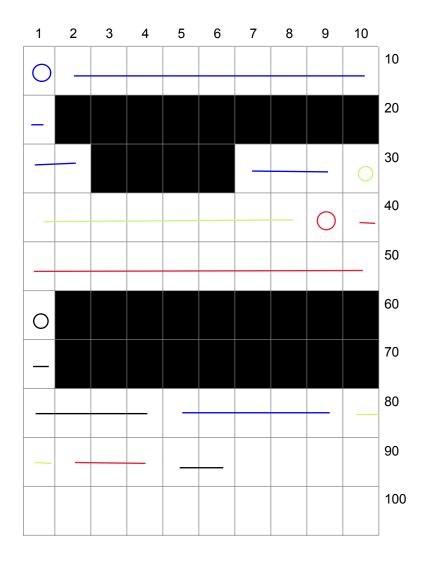
- Contiguous Storage
- Block Linkage you can assume that the pointer requires 0.5KB.

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Contiguous Storage



Block Link Storage



1 > 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,1 1,21,22,27,28,29,7 5,76,77,78,79

29> 31,32,33,34,35,36, 37,38,80,81

39> 40,41,42,43,44,45, 46,47,48,49,50,82, 83,84

51> 61,71,72,73,74,85, 86

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TASK 2: Files & Permissions in Unix

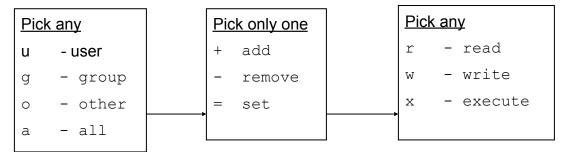
- 1. Use the text editor to create a number of files called file1.txt, file2.txt, file3.txt and file4.txt in your home directory (folder). Write some text in the files.
- 2. What is the information produced by the Is –I command, when you type it in the command line? Describe in details the meaning of the listed information.

Hint. You should see a list with details on your files and/or folders similar with the one bellow.

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-rwxr-xr-x 1 jsmith staff 43 Mar 23 18:14 prog1 drwxr--r-x 2 jsmith staff 512 Mar 23 18:07 subdir1
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3. Type man chmod to find out the purpose of the chmod command. What this command does?

The **chmod** command is built up from menus of symbolic values as follows



For example, chmod g+w myfile.txt gives the group write permission on myfile.txt.

- 4. Use the chmod command to change the permissions on <u>file1.txt</u> so that everyone can read, write and execute it. What command did you type in?
- 5. How do you use the text format of the chmod command in order to remove your write access from file2.txt? Try it in the command line.
- 6. How do you use the text format of the chmod command in order to remove read permission for file3.txt from everyone except yourself?
- 7. Permissions on a file can also be set using the numeric format of the chmod command. (E.g. chmod 777 filename).

To change the permissions on file named phone.numbers, from rw-rwxr-to rwxr-xrw-, how would you use the chmod command?
