

# Lesson 5

## File Systems

Operating System Design  
Degree in Computer Science and Engineering, Double Degree CS&E + BA

# Recommended readings

---

## Base



1. Carretero 2007:
  1. Chapter 9

## Recommended



1. Tanenbaum 2006(en):
  1. Chap.5
2. Stallings 2005:
  1. Three part
3. Silberschatz 2014:
  1. Chap. 10, 11 & 12

# To remember...

---

1. To study the associated theory.
  - ▶ To study the bibliography material: slides only are not enough.
2. To review the class explanations.
  - ▶ To perform the guided laboratory progressively.
3. To exercise competitions.
  - ▶ To build the laboratory progressively.
  - ▶ To build as much exercise as possible.

# Overview

---

1. Introduction
2. File system internals and framework
3. Design and development of a file system
4. Complementary aspects

# Overview

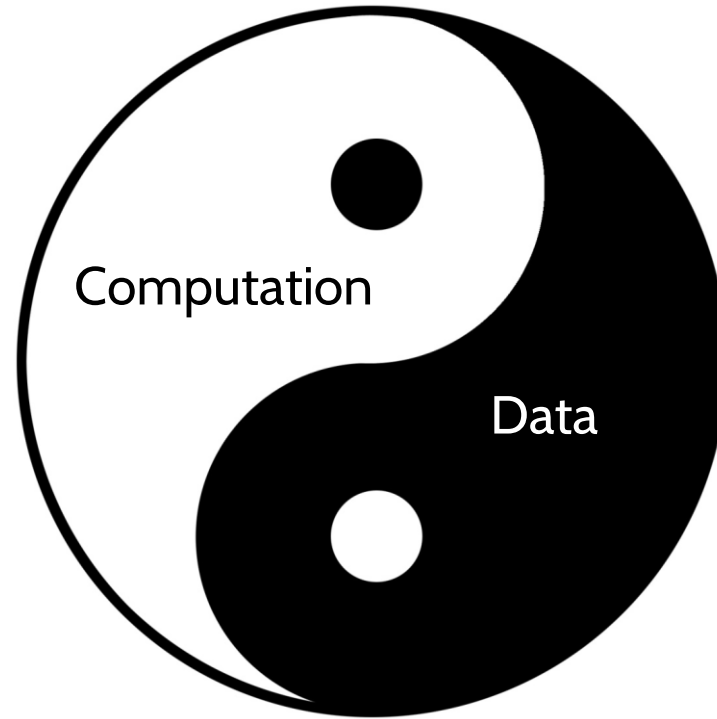
---

1. **Introduction**
2. File system internals and framework
3. Design and development of a file system
4. Complementary aspects

# Storage System Scope

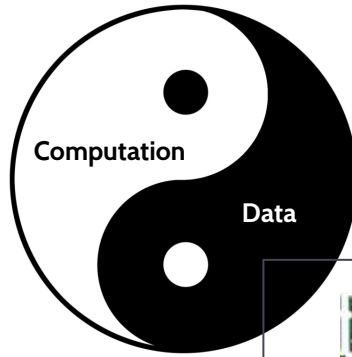
~2020

---



# Storage System Scope

~2020



## 1. Main memory:

- **NO persistent** data
- Work with bytes or words
- Few capacity: only the working set for short period

## 1. Secondary memory:

- **Persistent** data
- Work with **data blocks**
- Great capacity: all possible data needed in time

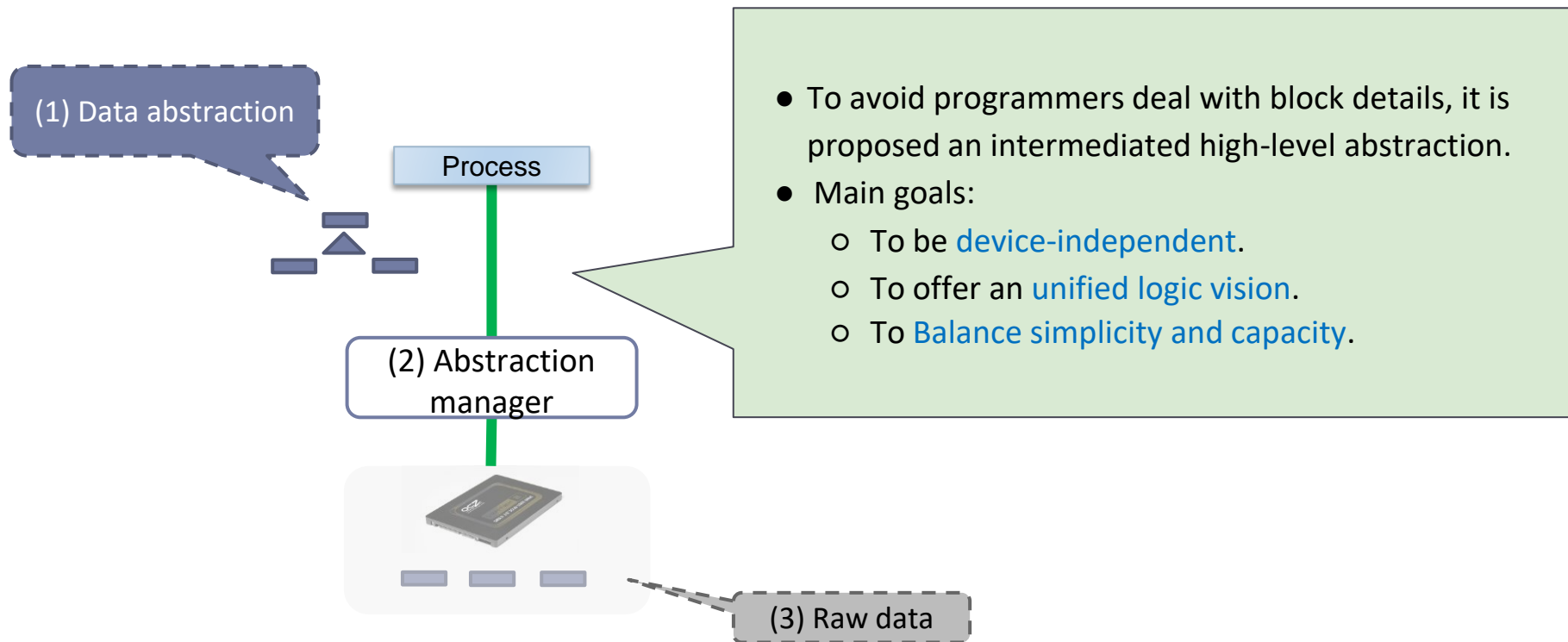
~2020



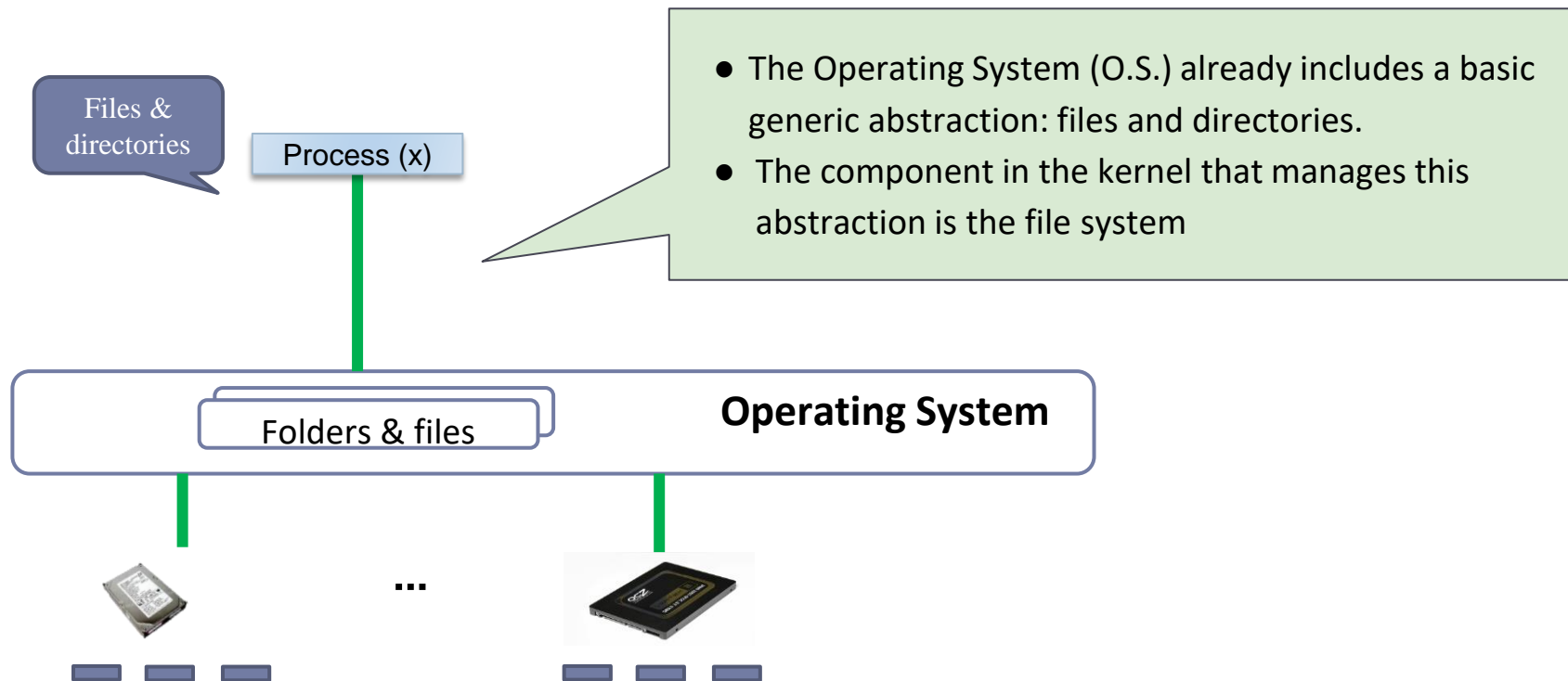


# Storage System Scope

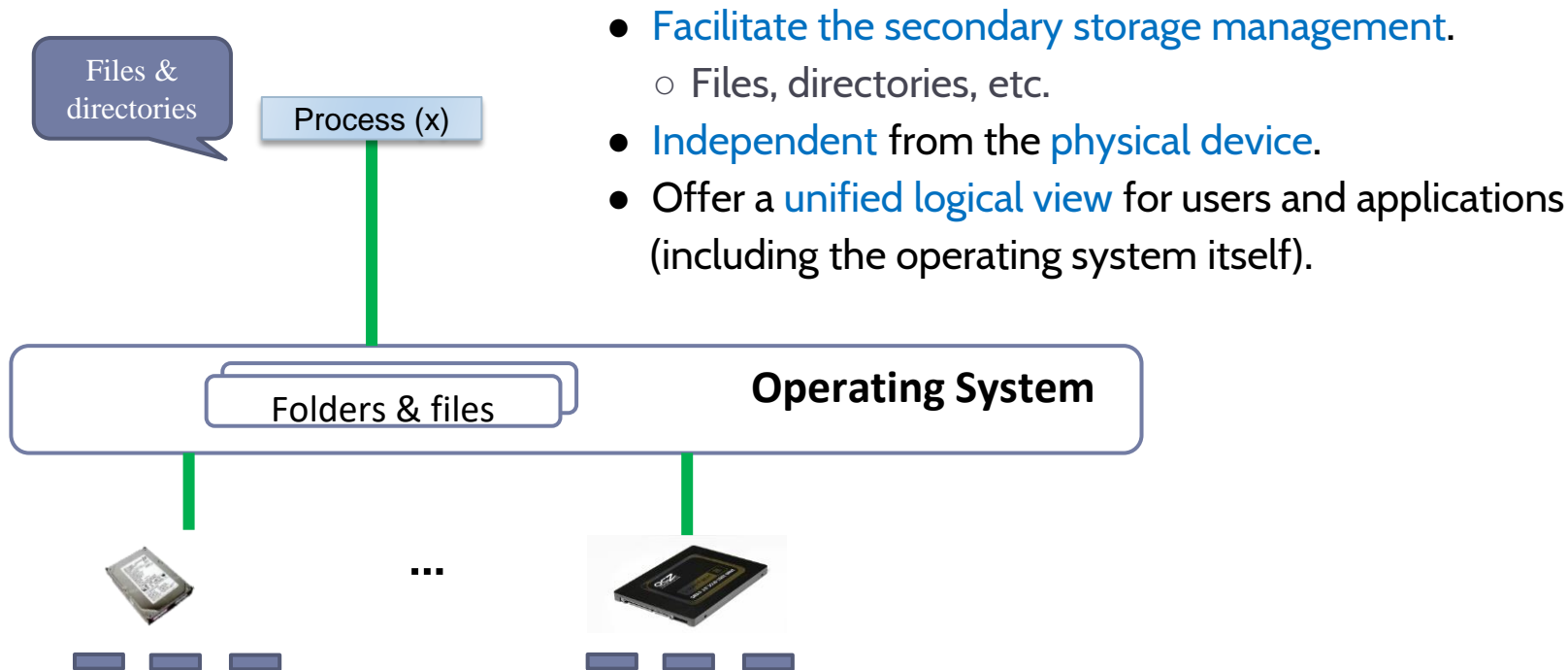
~2020



# (1/2) The O.S. includes a basic and generic abstraction: file system

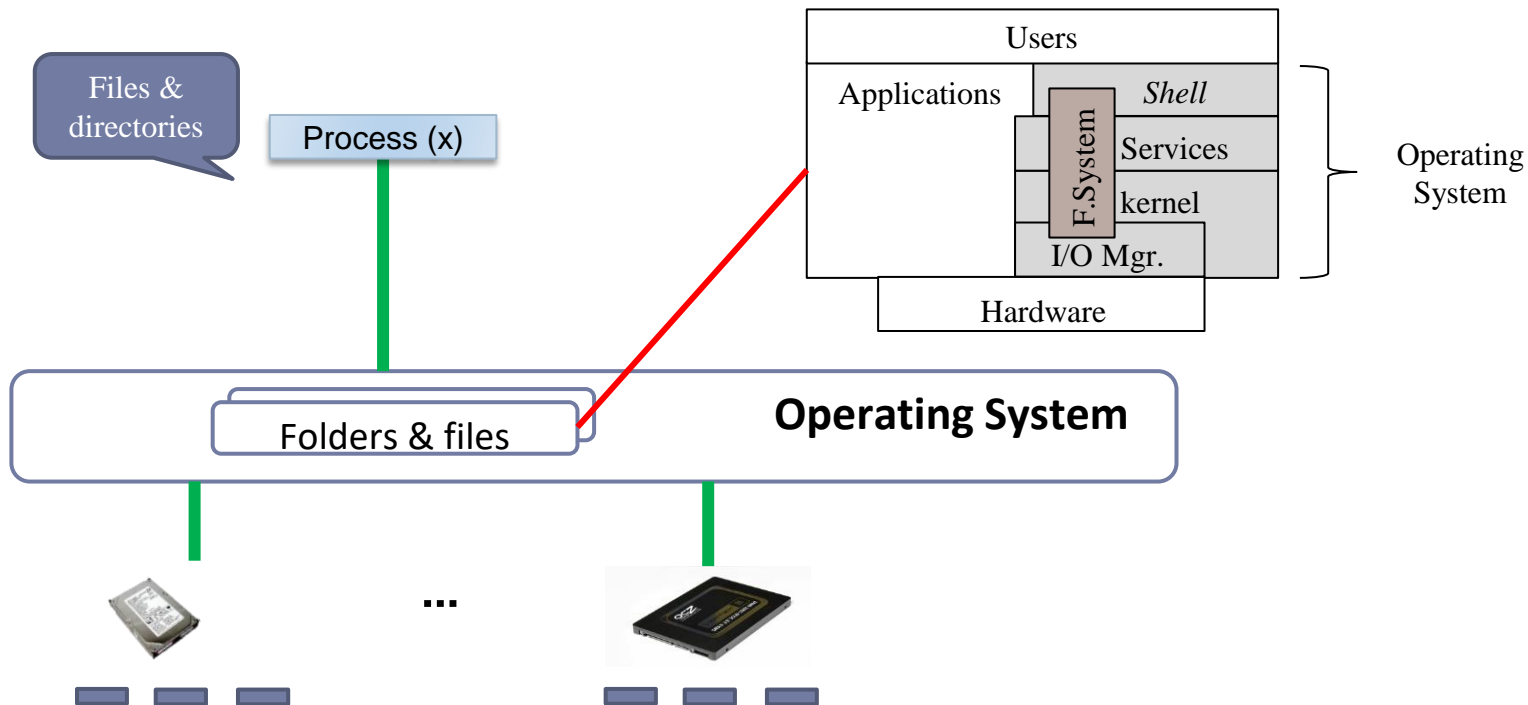


# File system Characteristics

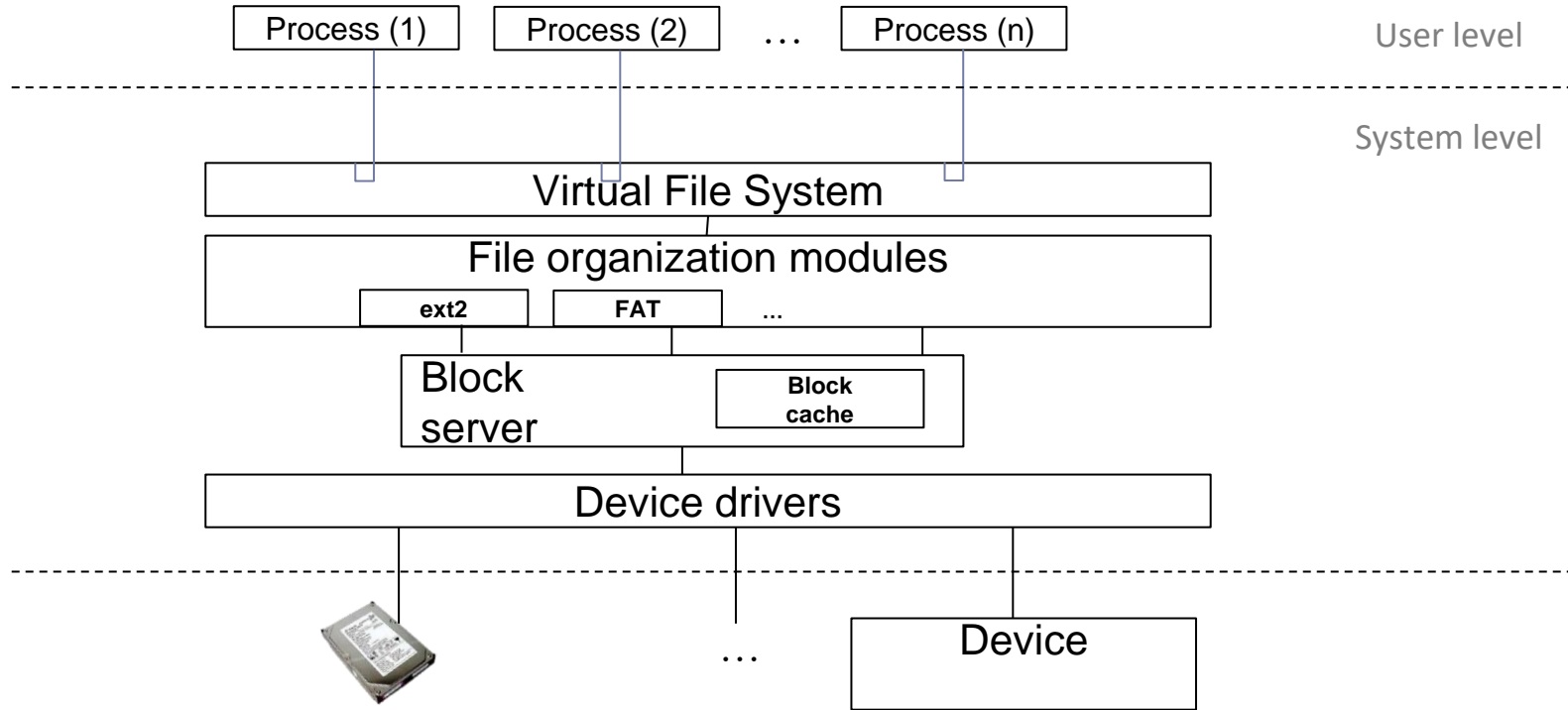


# File system Characteristics

It is transversal to the components of the operating system

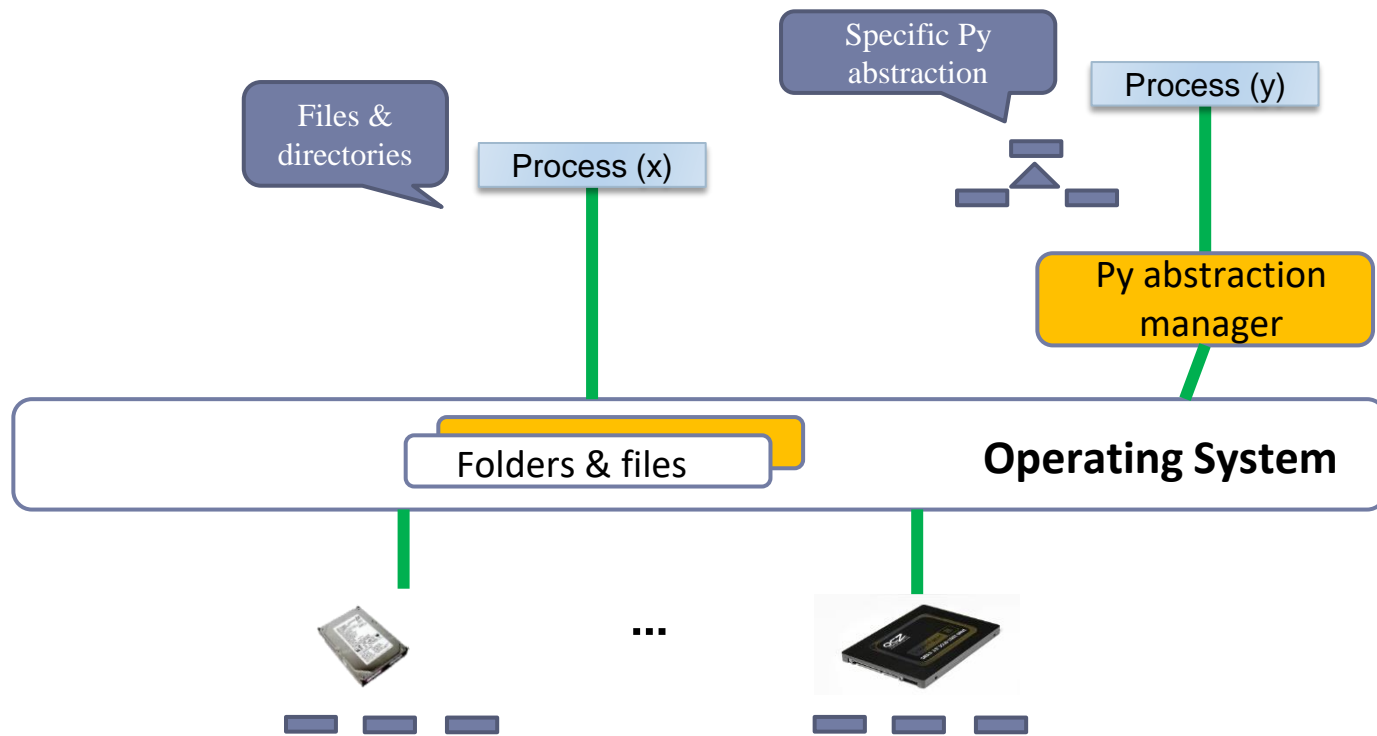


# File system Architecture

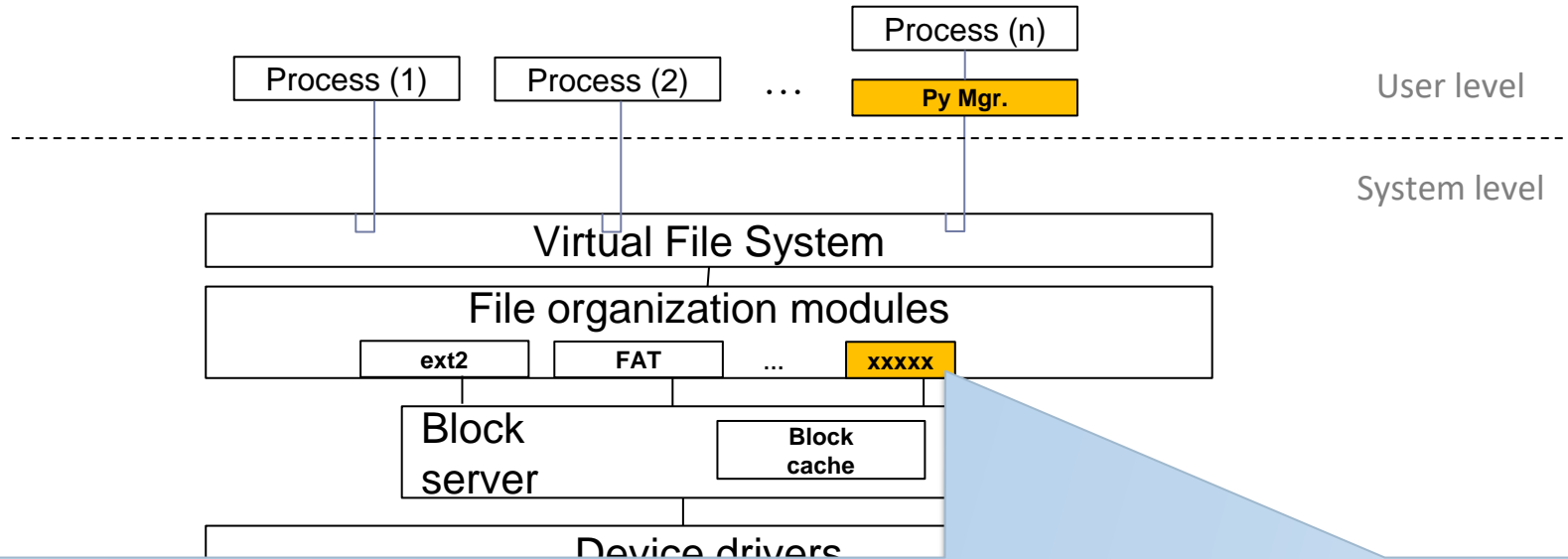


## (2/2) The operating system supports the addition of other abstractions (& mgr.)

---

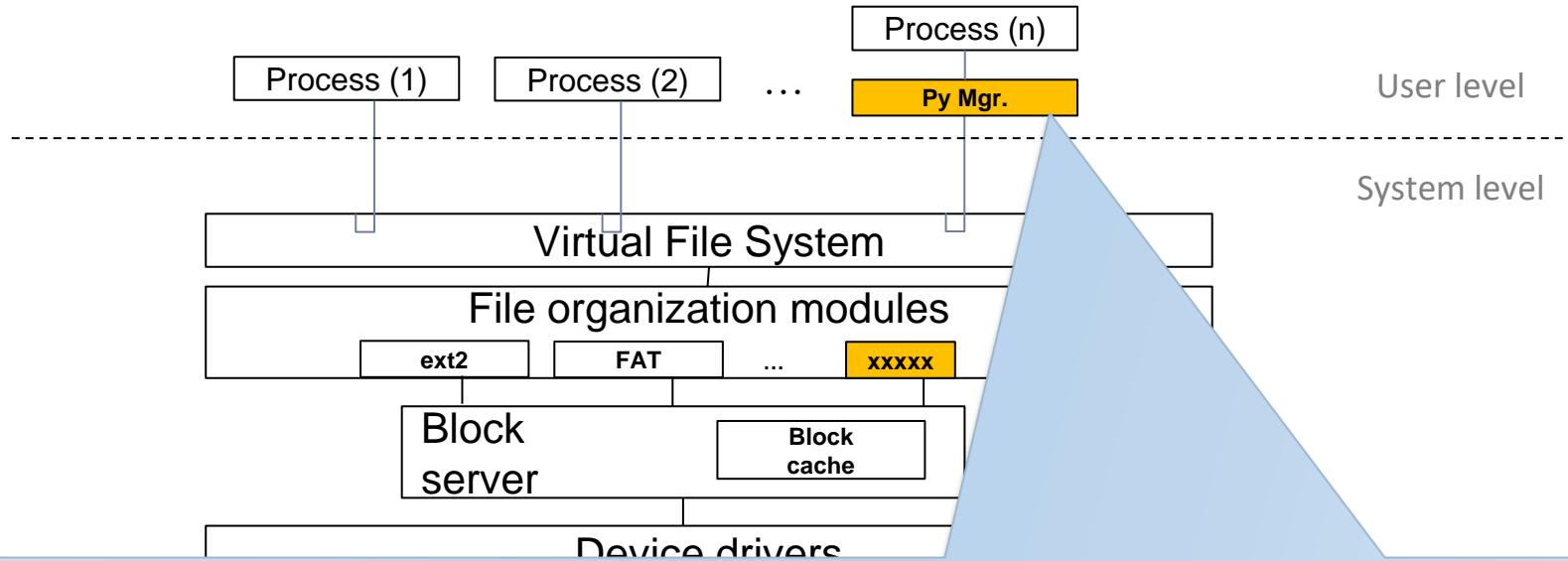


# File system Architecture



- ▶ A new file system implementation could be added.

# File system Architecture

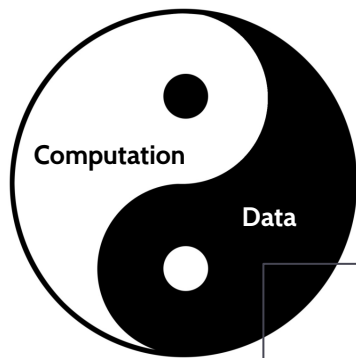


- ▶ Other abstract representations could be implemented using the existing services on the Operating Systems (e.g.: database, nosql database, etc.)



# Storage System Scope

>> 2020



¿ ?

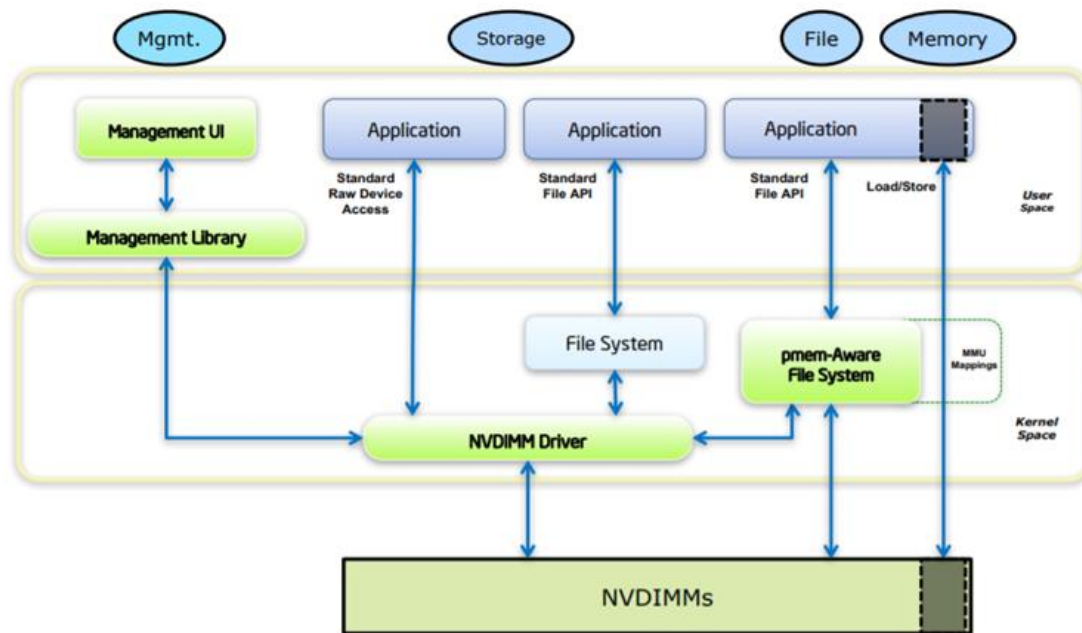
1. New memory (misc of main and secondary):

- **Persistent** data
- Work with bytes or words, and with data blocks
- Great capacity and speed.

# Storage System Scope

>> 2020

## The SNIA NVM Programming Model

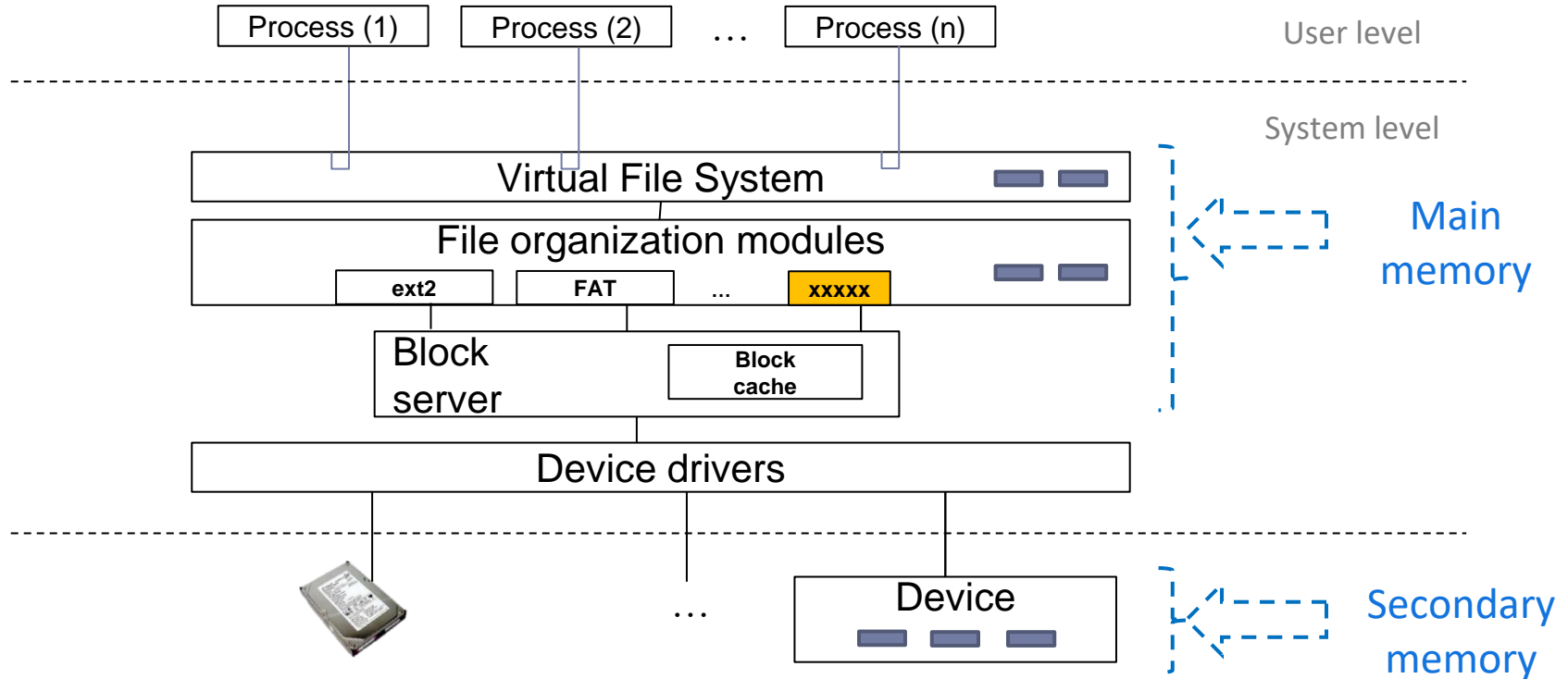


# Overview

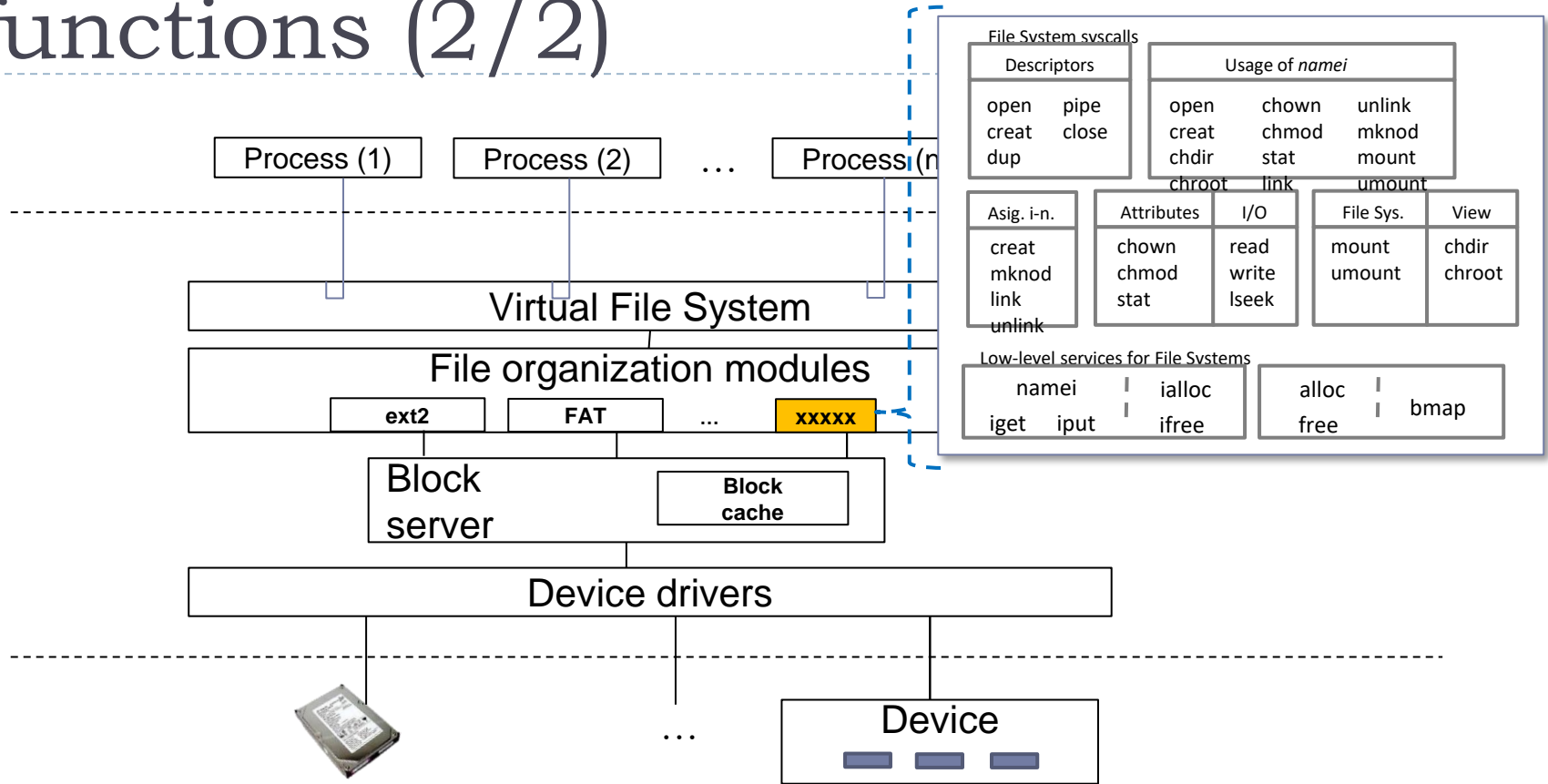
---

1. Introduction
2. **File system internals and framework**
3. Design and development of a file system
4. Complementary aspects

# Management data structures (1/2)

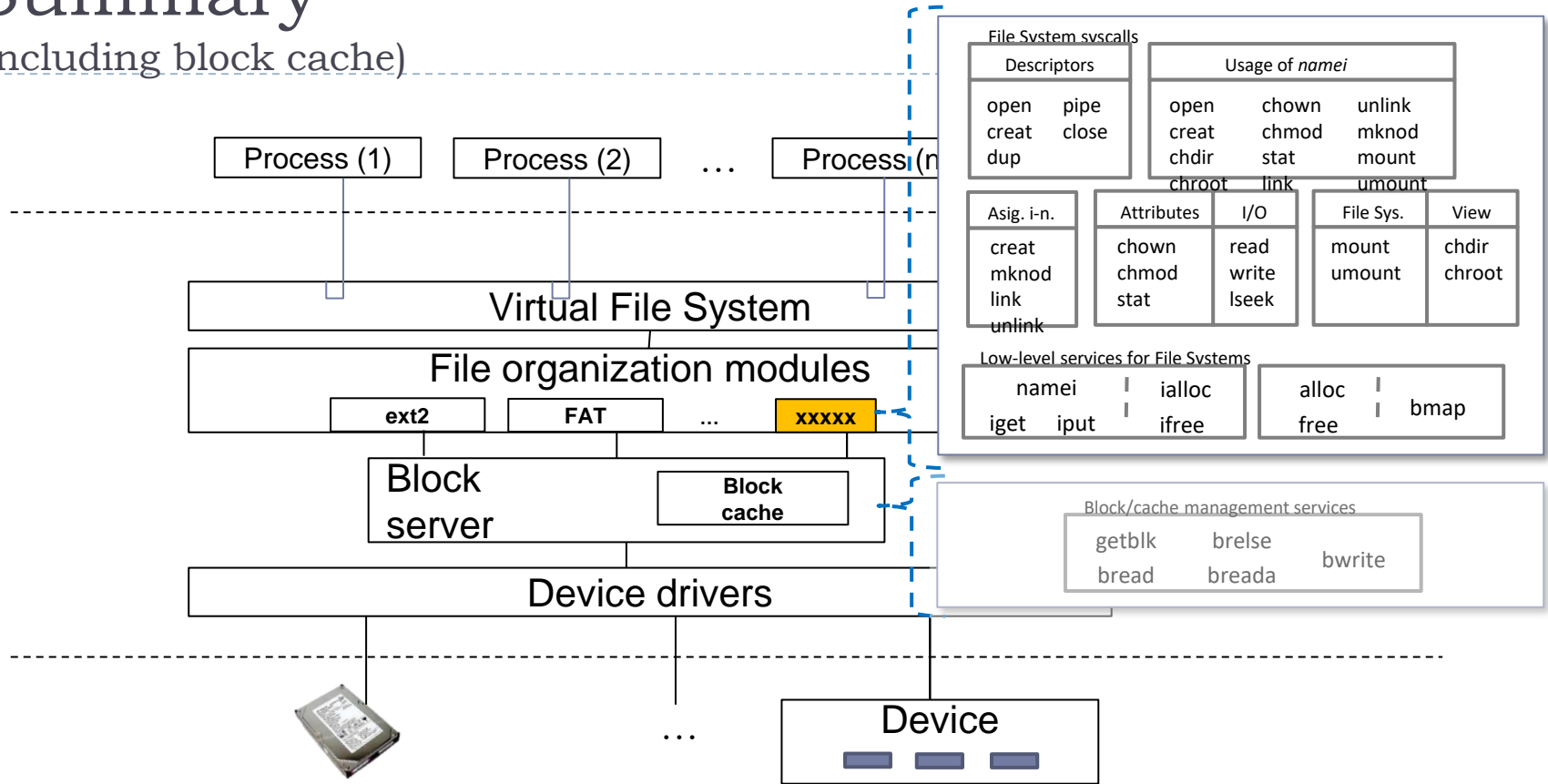


# Management functions (2/2)



# Summary

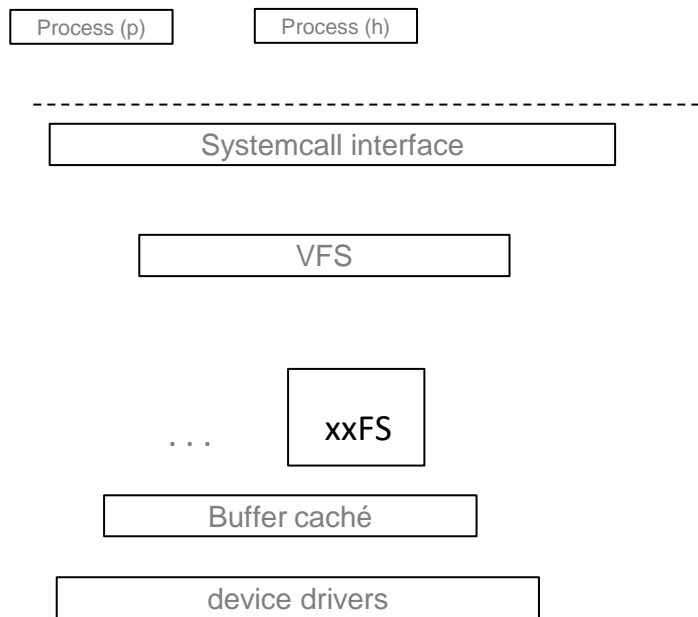
(including block cache)



# File system organization

main aspects: Linux

---



▶ Layered structure like UNIX.

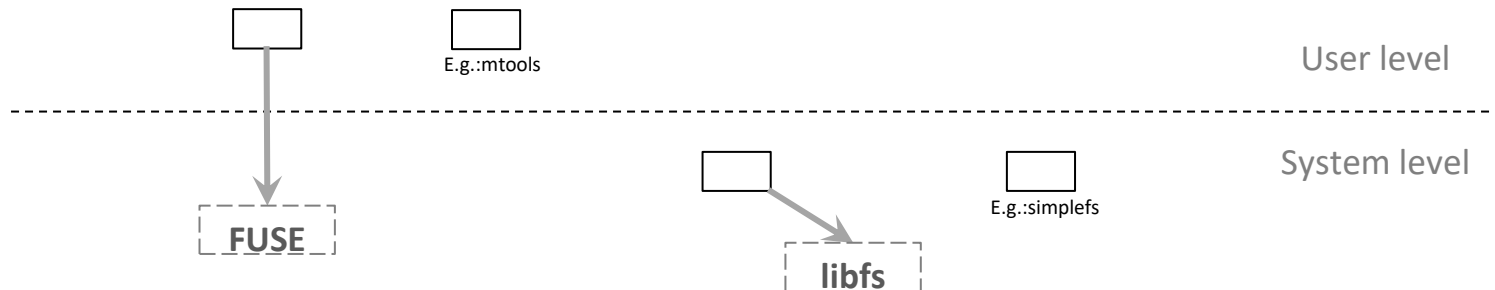
▶ Main components:

- ▶ System call interface
- ▶ VFS: *Virtual File System*
- ▶ xxFS: specific file system
- ▶ Buffer caché: block cache
- ▶ device drivers: *drivers*

# Main options (in Linux) for working in a new the file system

---

	User space	Kernel space
<b>With</b> Framework	FUSE	libfs
<b>Without</b> Framework	E.g.: mtools	E.g.: simplefs

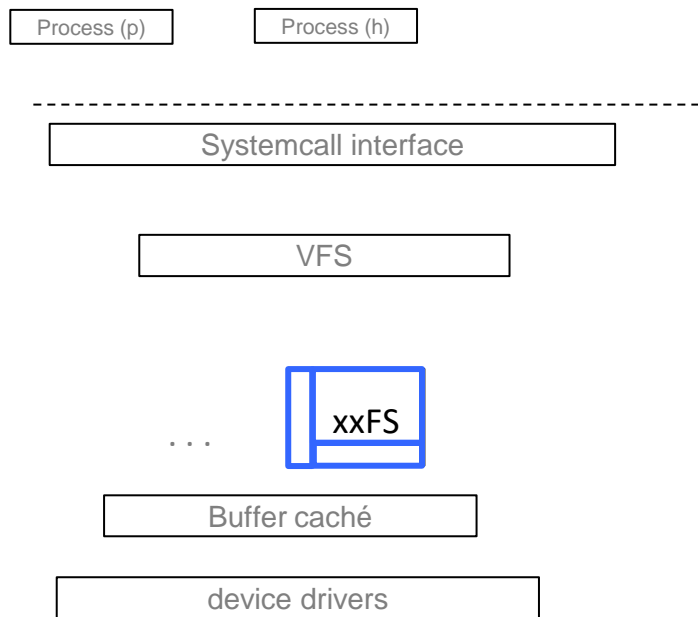




# File system organization

without *framework*, within kernel. E.g.: simplefs

---



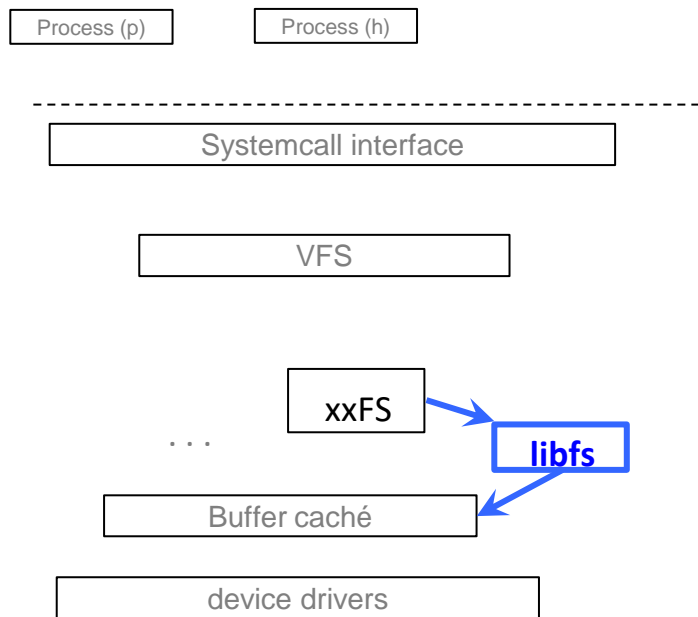
## ▶ Interface:

- ▶ **register**: to register the file system
- ▶ ...
- ▶ **open**: to open a work session
- ▶ **read**: read data
- ▶ ...
- ▶ **namei**: convert from path to i-node
- ▶ **iget**: read a i-node
- ▶ **bmap**: compute an associated offset block
- ▶ ...

# File system organization

with *framework*, within kernel: *libfs*

---

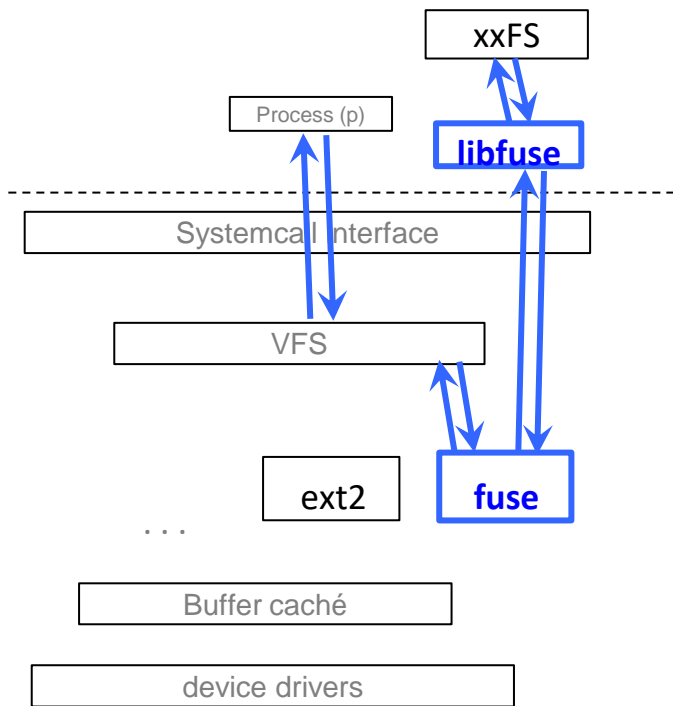


## ▶ Interface: libfs

- ▶ **lfs\_fill\_super**: superblock
- ▶ **lfs\_create\_file**: file creation
- ▶ **lfs\_make\_inode**: default i-node
- ▶ **lfs\_open**: open a work session
- ▶ **lfs\_read\_file**: read from file
- ▶ **lfs\_write\_file**: write to file
- ▶ ...

# File system organization

with *framework*, user space: fuse

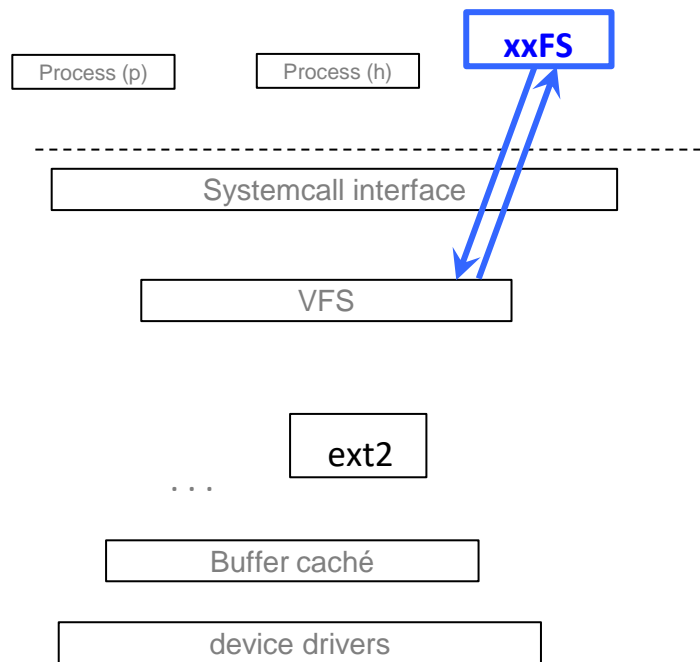


## ► Interface: *File system in USer spaceE*

```
struct fuse_operations {  
    ...  
    int (*open) (const char *, struct fuse_file_info *);  
    int (*read) (const char *, char *, size_t, off_t, struct  
        fuse_file_info *);  
    int (*write) (const char *, const char *, size_t,  
        off_t, struct fuse_file_info *);  
    int (*statfs) (const char *, struct statfs *);  
    int (*flush) (const char *, struct fuse_file_info *);  
    ...  
};
```

# File system organization

without *framework*, user space. E.g.: *mtools*

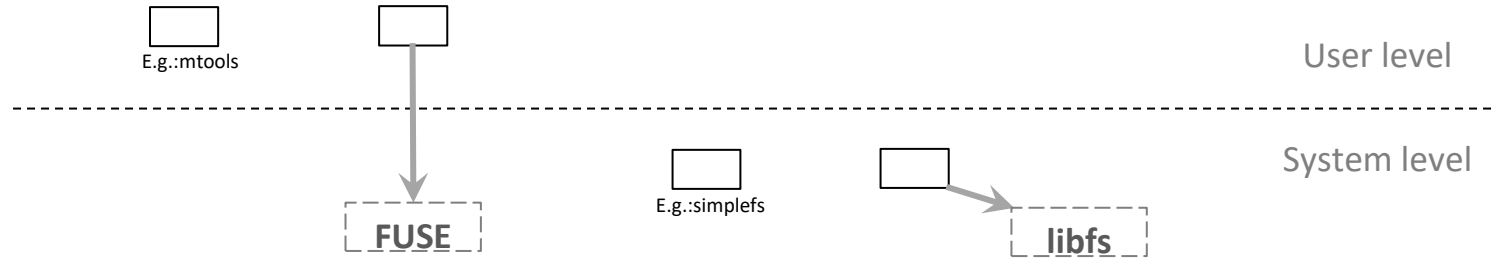


- ▶ To implement the file system interface in user space, and as library for other applications:
  - ▶ **open**: to open a work session
  - ▶ **read**: to read data
  - ▶ ...
  - ▶ **namei**: to convert path into i-node
  - ▶ **iget**: read i-node
  - ▶ **bmap**: compute the associate block for a given offset
  - ▶ ...

## summary:

# Main options for the file system organization

	User space	Kernel space
<b>With</b> Framework	FUSE	libfs
<b>Without</b> Framework	E.g.: mtools	E.g.: simplefs

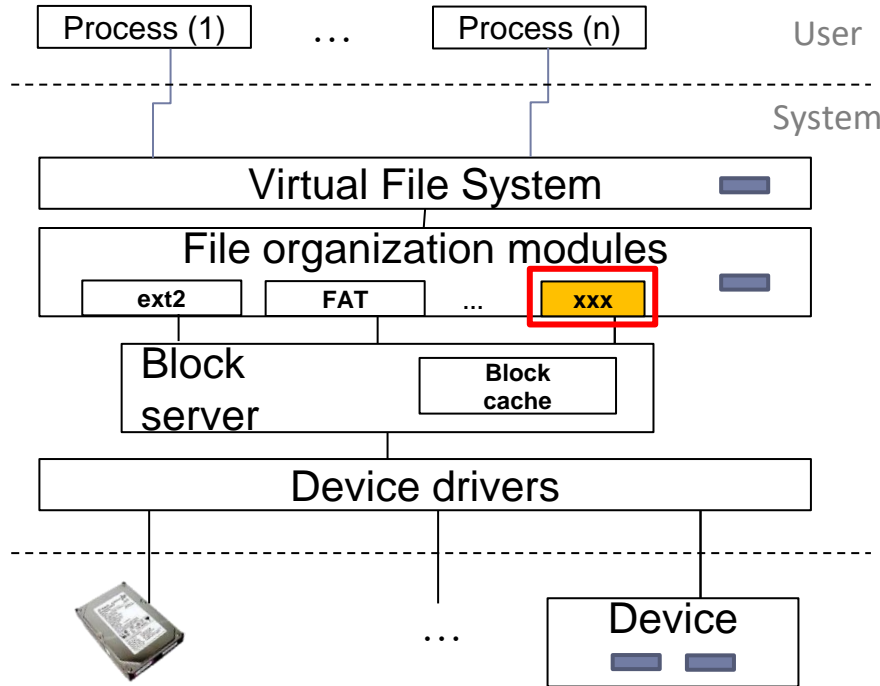


# Overview

---

1. Introduction
2. File system internals and framework
3. **Design and development of a file system**
4. Complementary aspects

# Design and development of a file system



- **File system requirements**
- Main data structures in the secondary memory
- Main data structures in the main memory
- Block management
- Internal (and service) functions

# Main requirements

## e.g.: Unix-like file system

---

- ▶ Processes have to use a secure interface, without direct access to the kernel data structures.
- ▶ Share the file offset position among processes from the same parent that open the file.
- ▶ Offer functionality for working with a file/directory in order to update the information that it contains.
- ▶ Go back and forth in the file system directory tree.
- ▶ Offer persistency of user data, seeking to minimize the impact on the performance and the space needed for the metadata.
- ▶ Keep track of the file systems registered in the kernel, and keep track of the mount point of these file systems.



# Getting the proper storage system for the requirements...

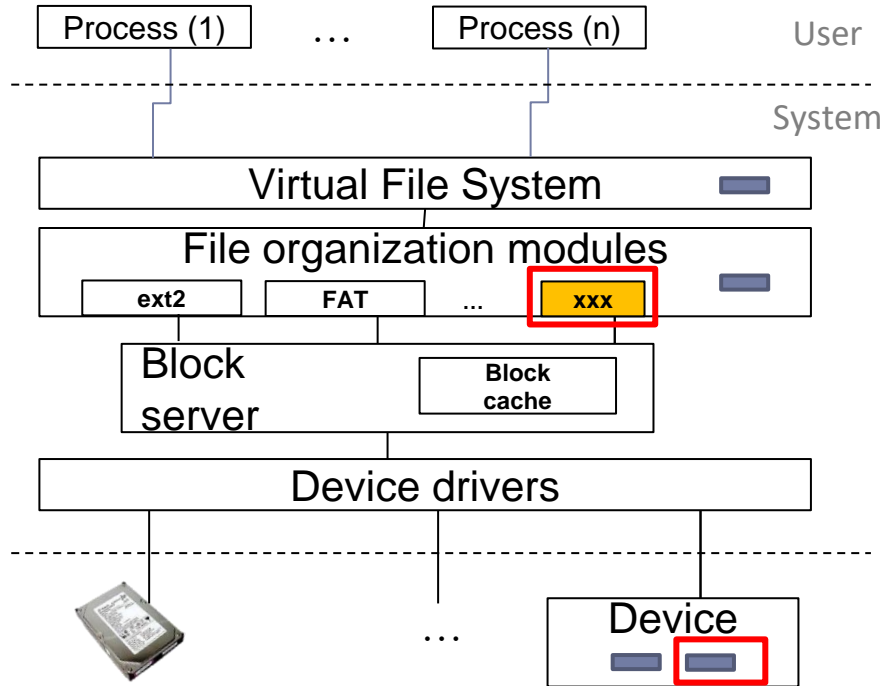
---



[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_file\\_systems](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_file_systems)

1. **To search** a file system that satisfies the requirements.
2. **To adapt** an existing file system in order to satisfy the requirements.
3. **To build** a file system that satisfies the requirements.

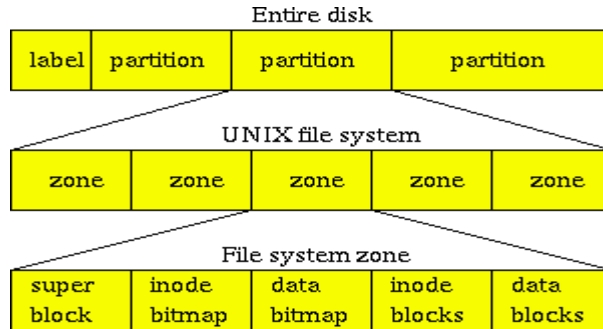
# Design and development of a file system



- File system requirements
- **Main data structures in the secondary memory**
- Main data structures in the main memory
- Block management
- Internal (and service) functions

# File system Structures

---



▶ **UNIX/Linux**

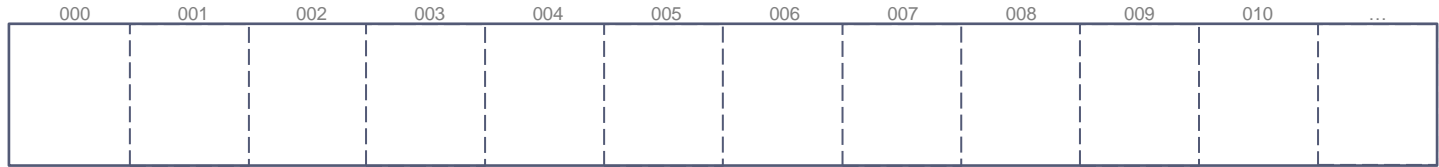
▶ **FAT**

# File system:

## Unix-like representation

---

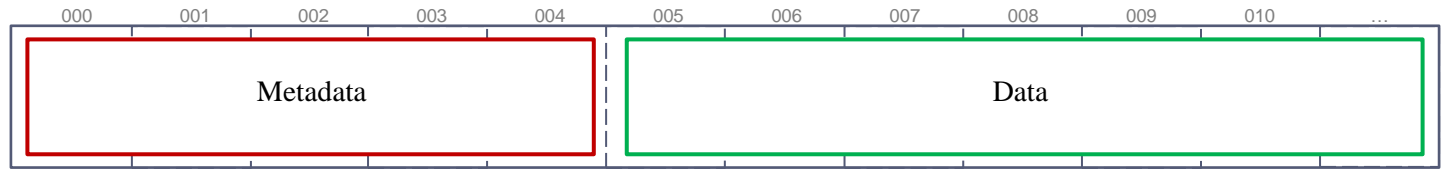
Logical disk



# File system: Unix-like representation

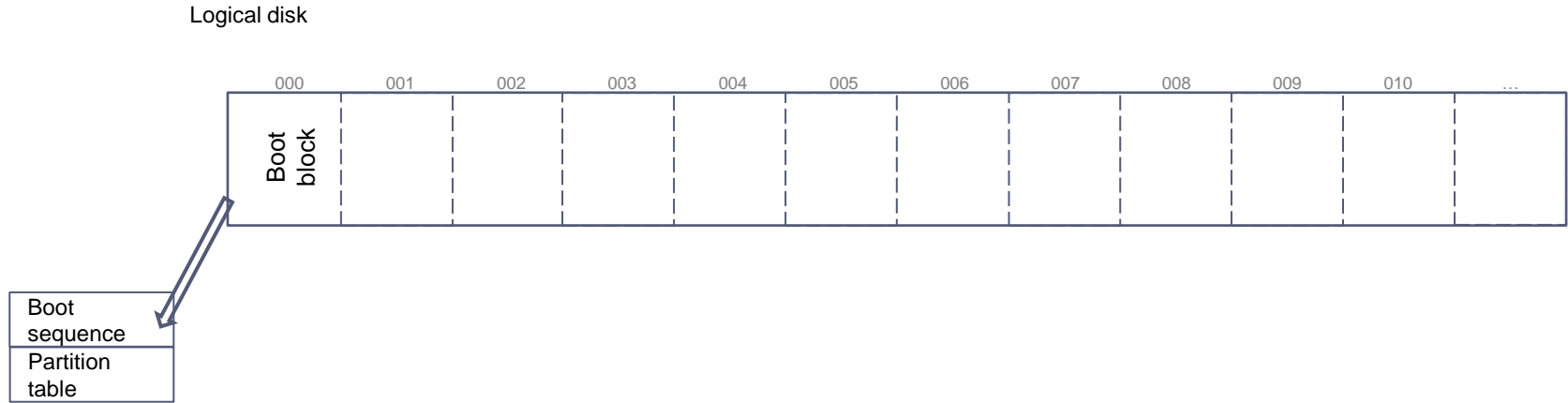
---

Logical disk



# File system: Unix-like representation

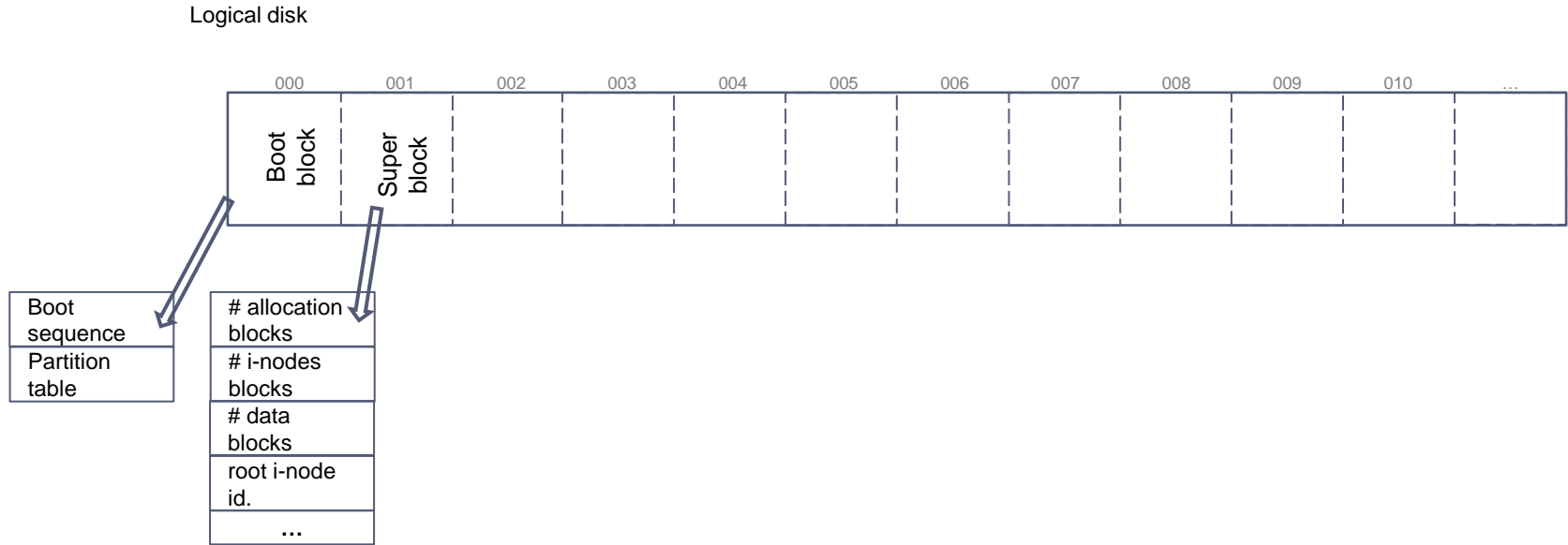
---



# File system:

## Unix-like representation

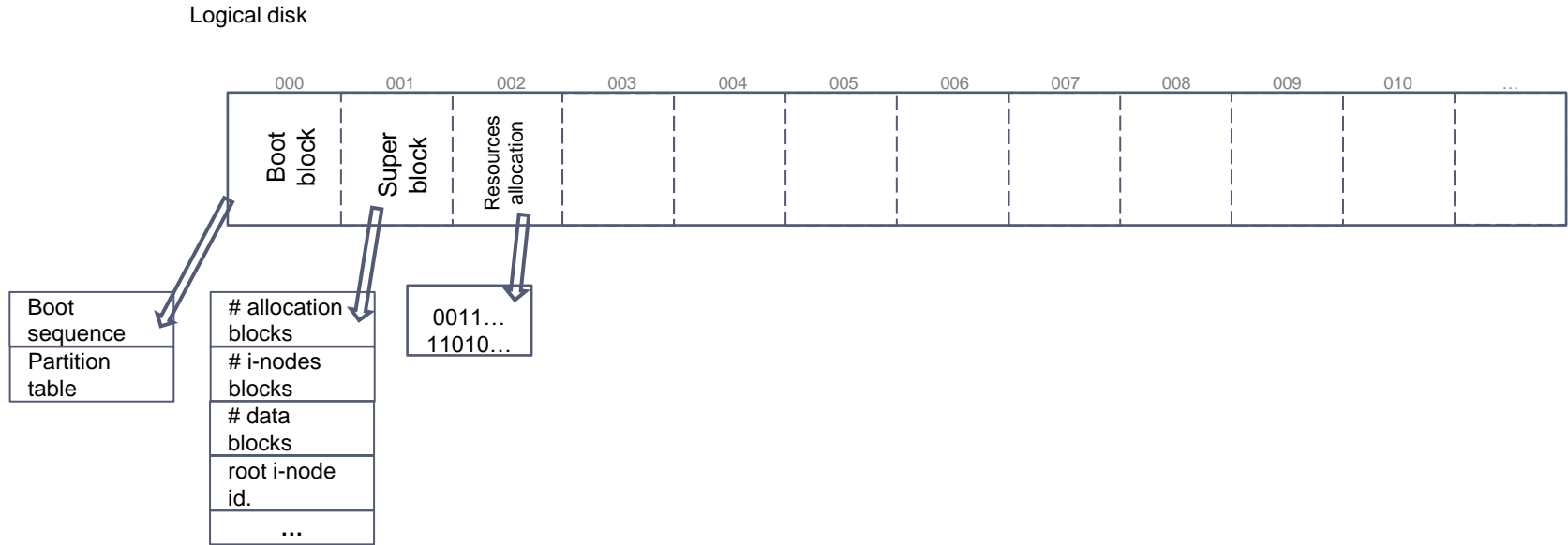
---



# File system:

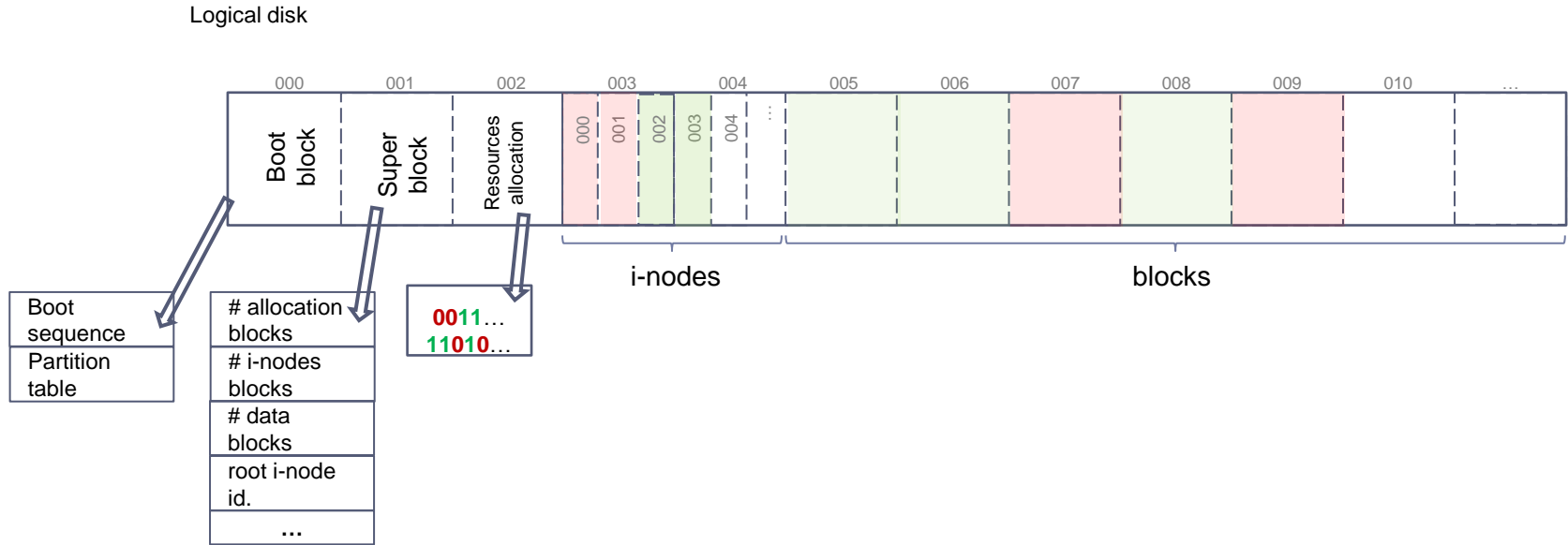
## Unix-like representation

---

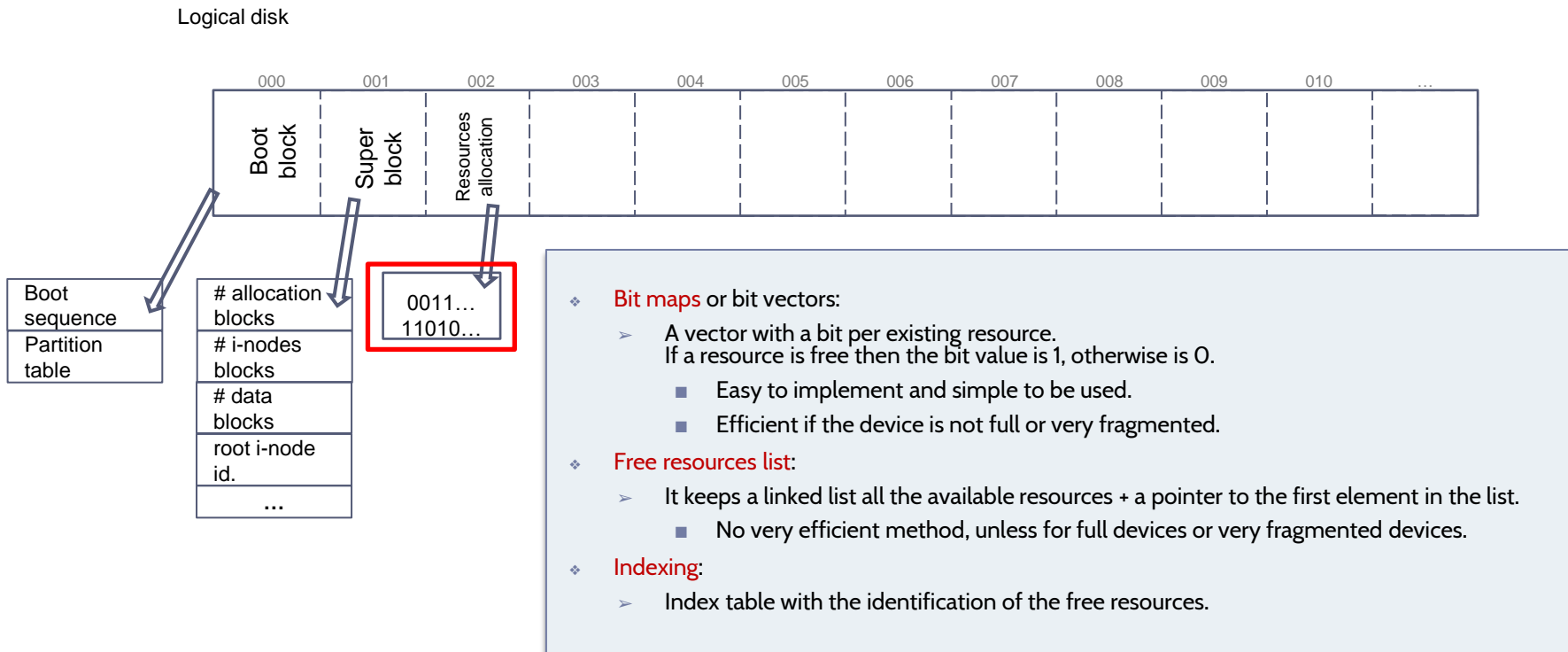




# File system: Unix-like representation



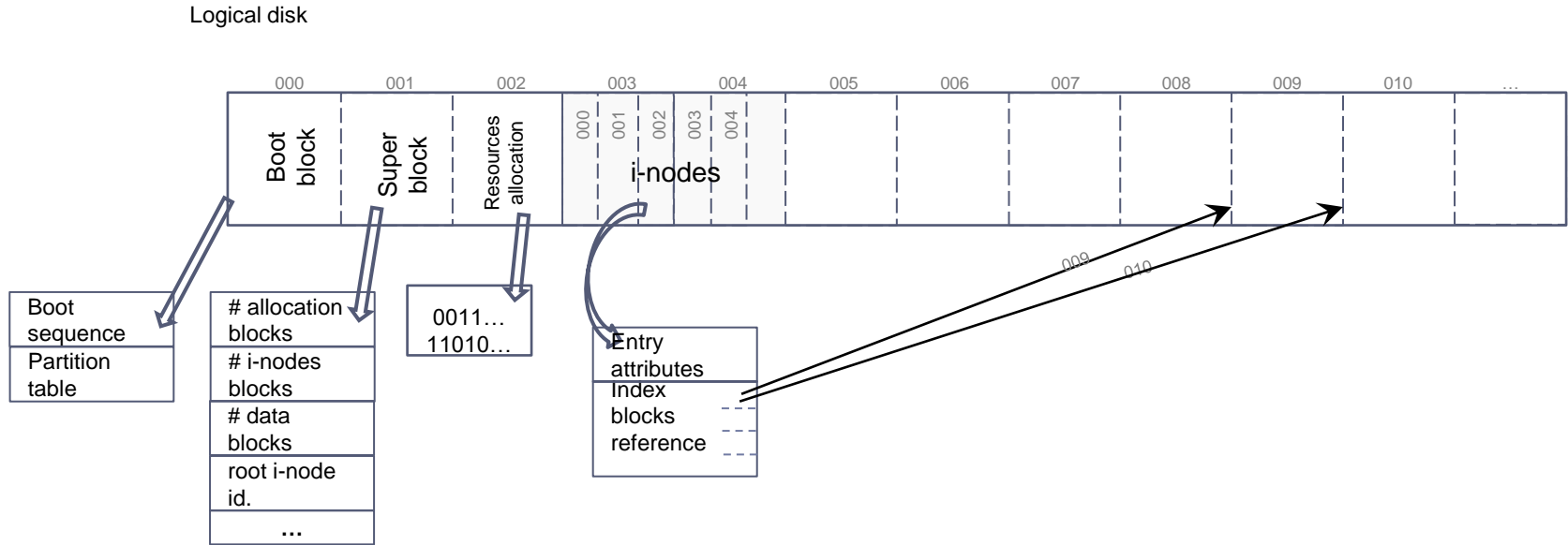
# File system: Unix-like representation



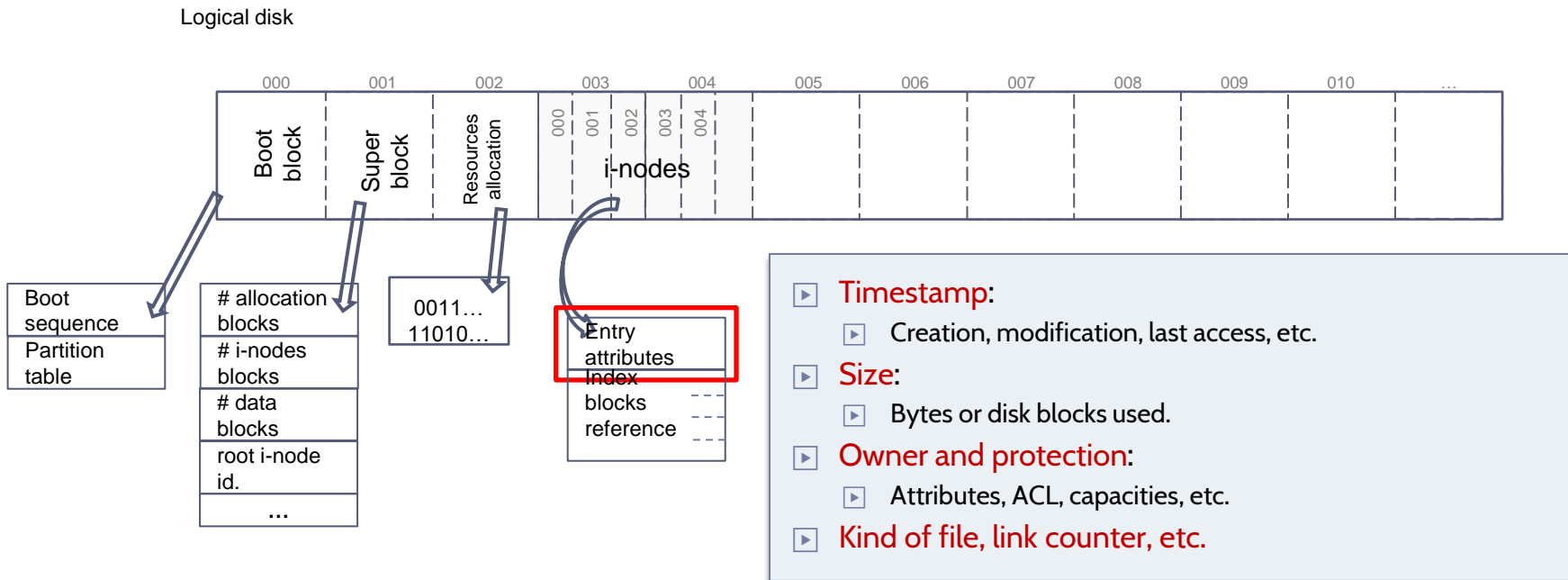
# File system:

## Unix-like representation

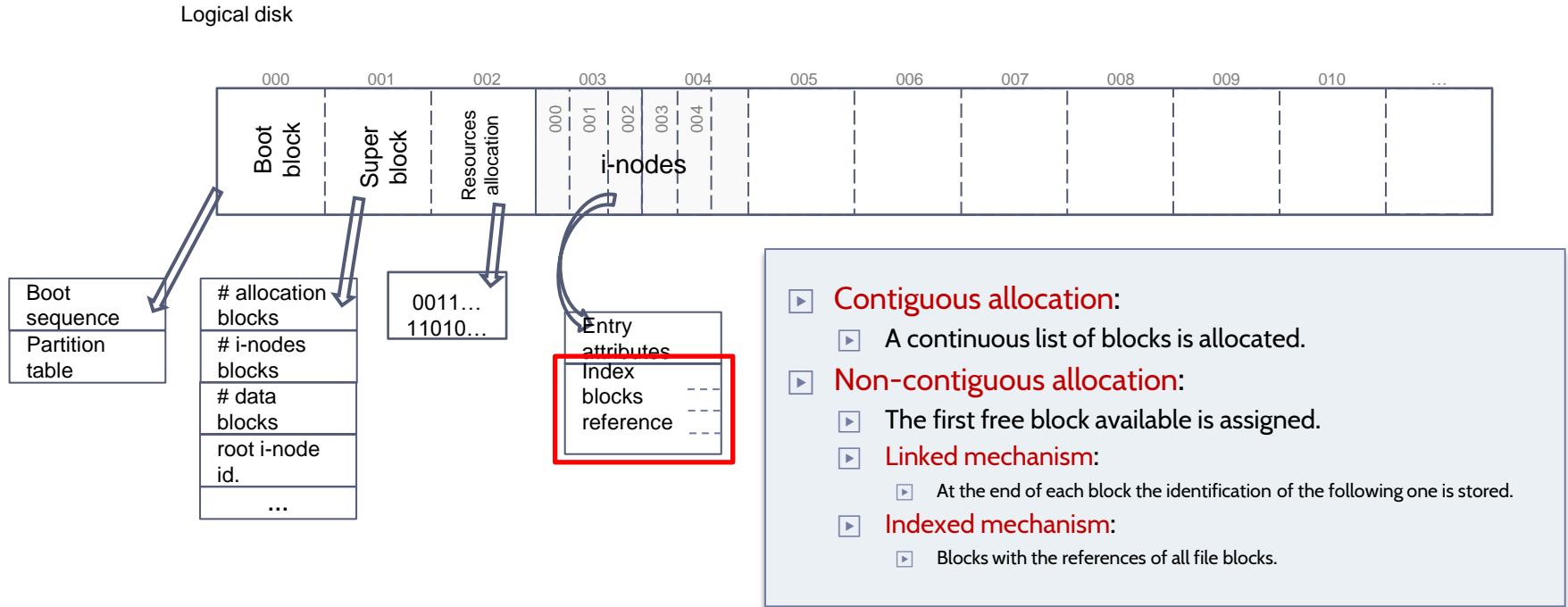
---



# File system: Unix-like representation



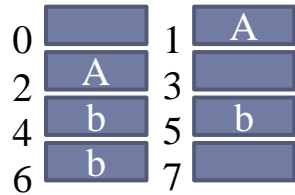
# File system: Unix-like representation



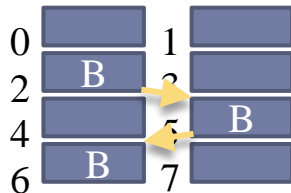
# File systems:

## resources allocation alternatives

---



F	I	L
A	I	2
B	4	3



F	I	L
B	2	3

### ▶ Contiguous allocation:

- ▶ The blocks of the files are contiguous
- ▶ It needs: first (I) and # of blocks (L)
- ▶ (A) Ideal for immutable files

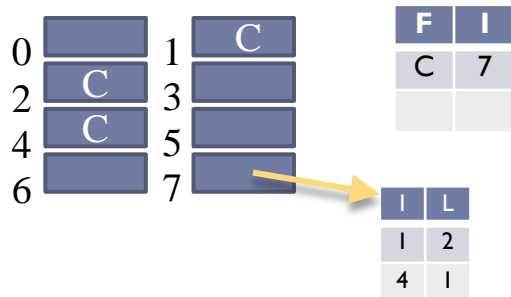
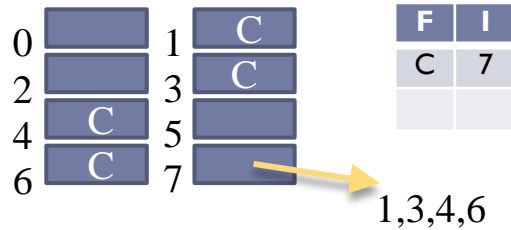
### ▶ Non-contiguous allocation :

- ▶ Each block has the reference of the following one
- ▶ It needs: first (I) and # of blocks (L)
- ▶ (D) Random access is a little bit hard.

# File systems:

## resources allocation alternatives

---



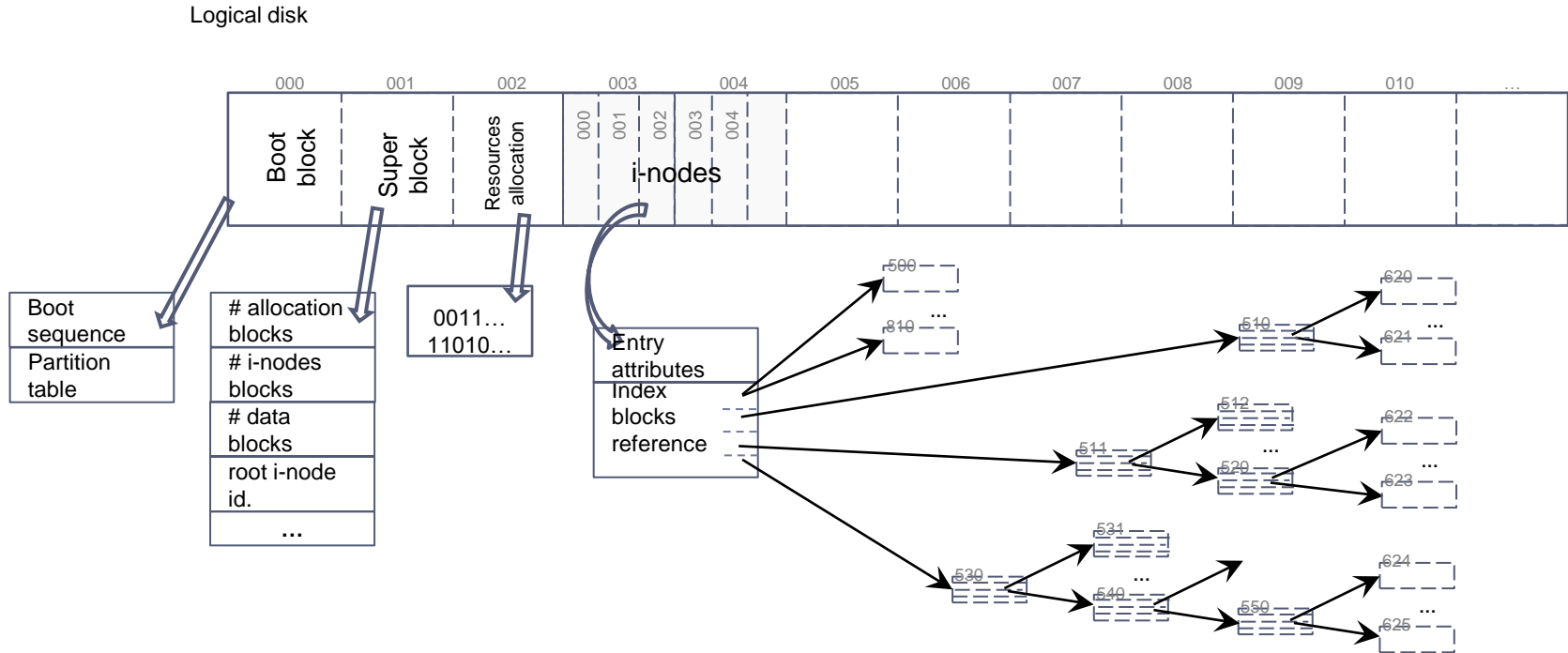
### ▶ Indexed allocation (blocks):

- ▶ Some blocks are used to store the reference list of file data blocks.
- ▶ Metadata needed: id. Of the first index block.
- ▶ (D) Fragmentation: need to defrag.

### ▶ Indexed allocation (extends):

- ▶ Some blocks are used to store the reference list of continuous file data blocks sequences.
- ▶ Metadata needed: id. of the first index block.
- ▶ (D) Fragmentation: need to defrag.

# File system: Unix-like representation





# How elements are represented

---



▶ Files



▶ Directories



▶ Links

# How elements are represented

---



▶ Files



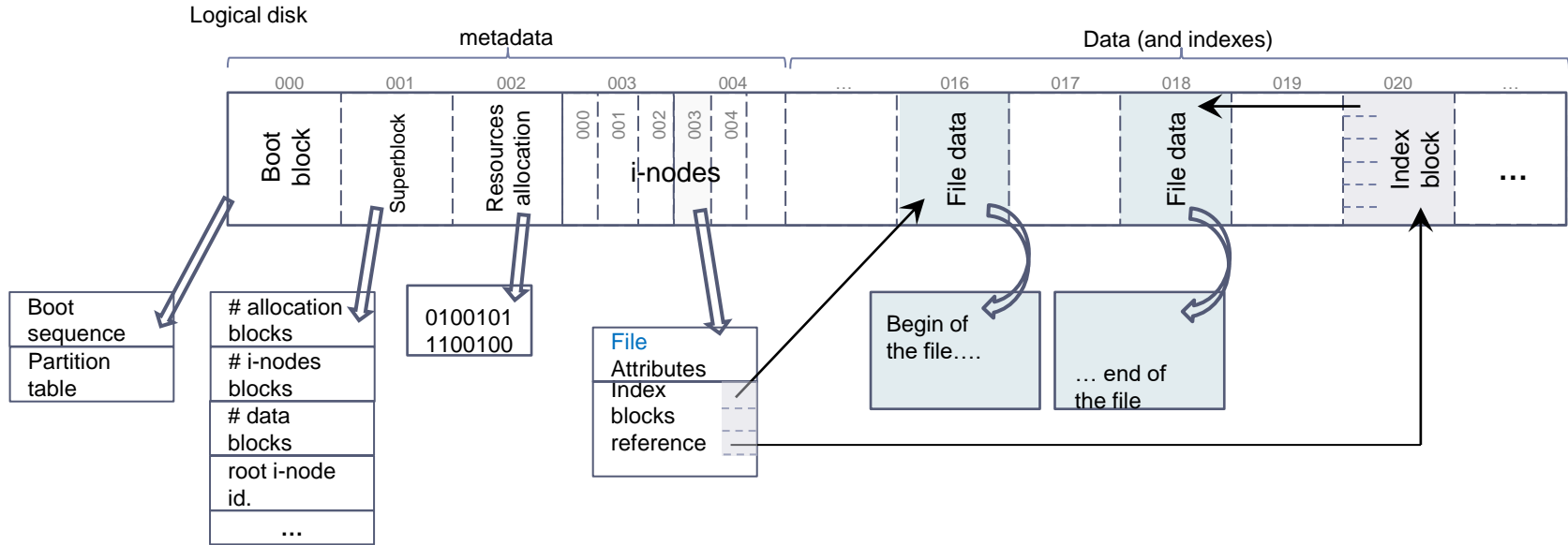
▶ Directories



▶ Links

# File system:

## Unix-like representation: files



# How elements are represented

---



▶ Files



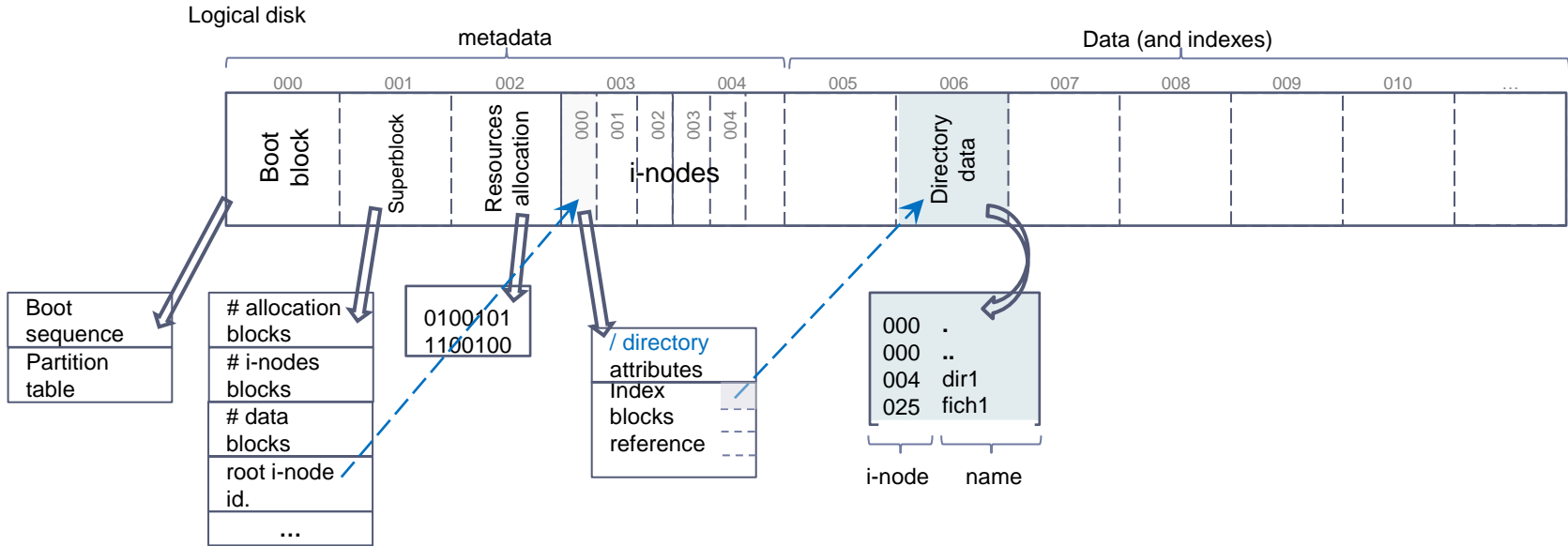
▶ Directories



▶ Links

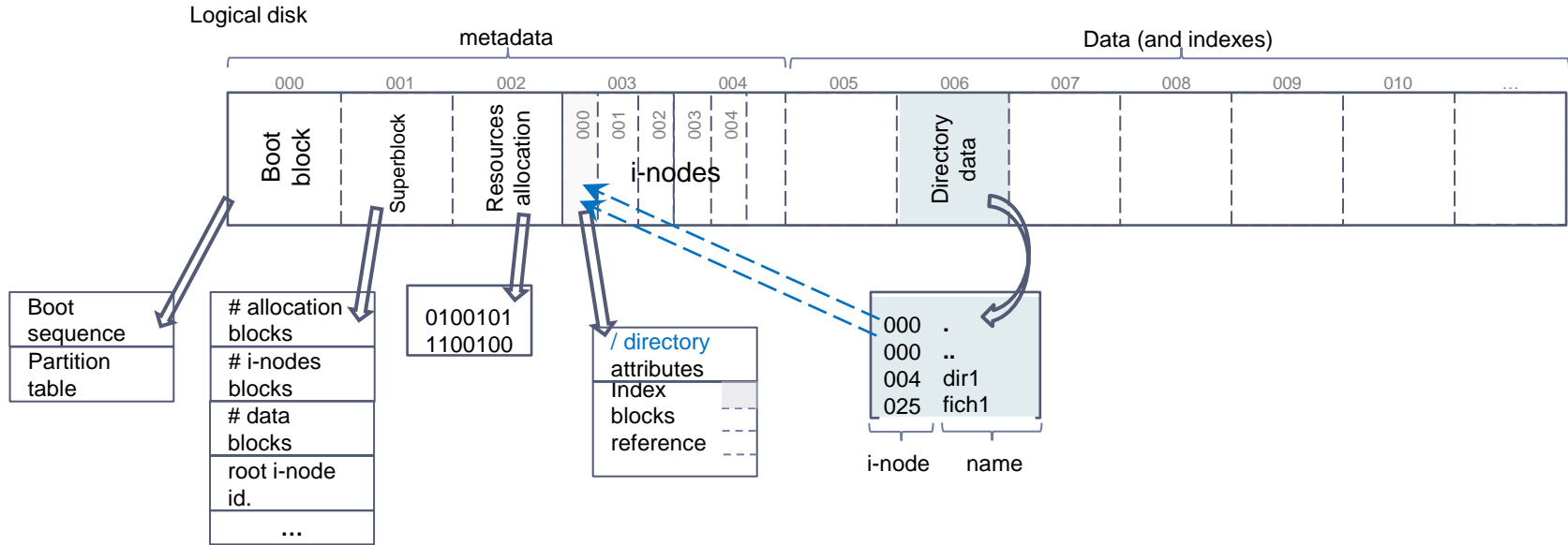
# File system:

## Unix-like representation: **directories**



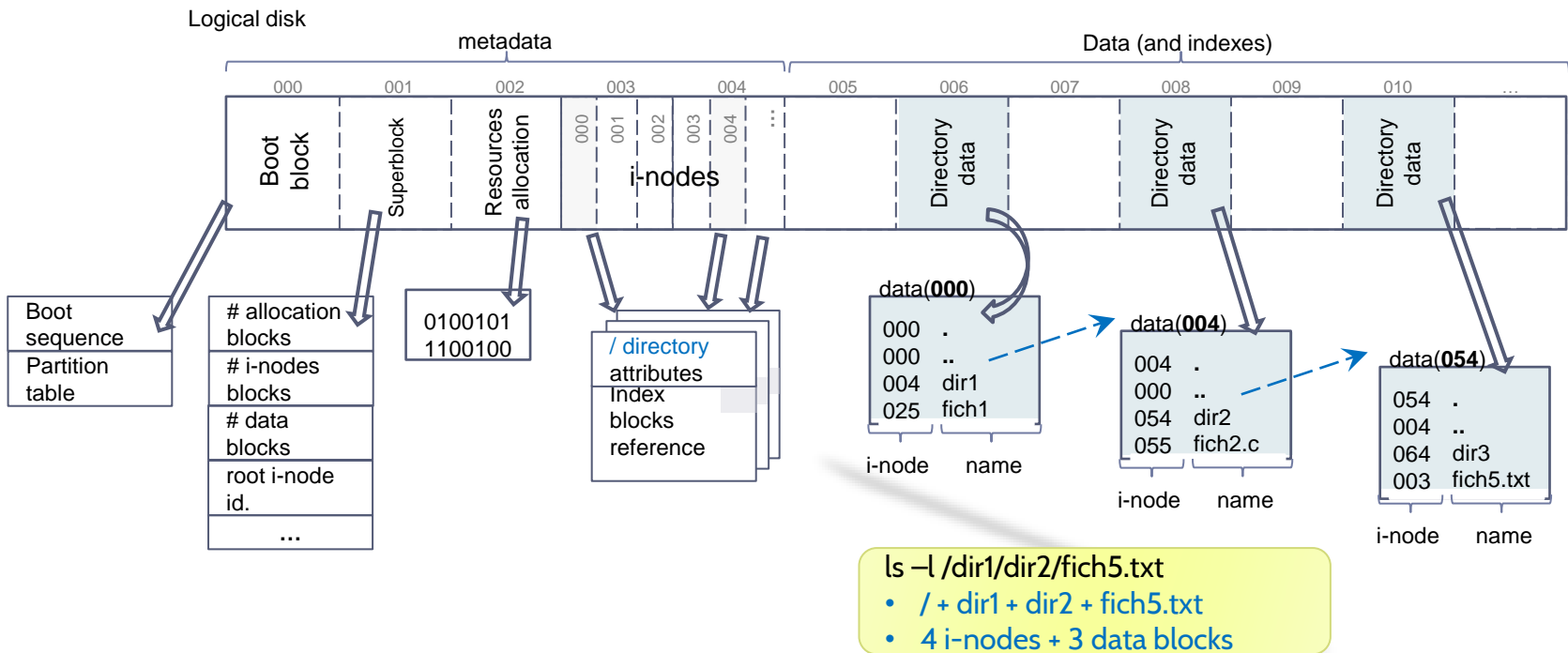
# File system:

## Unix-like representation: **directories**



# File system:

## Unix-like representation: **directories**



# How elements are represented

---



▶ Files



▶ Directories

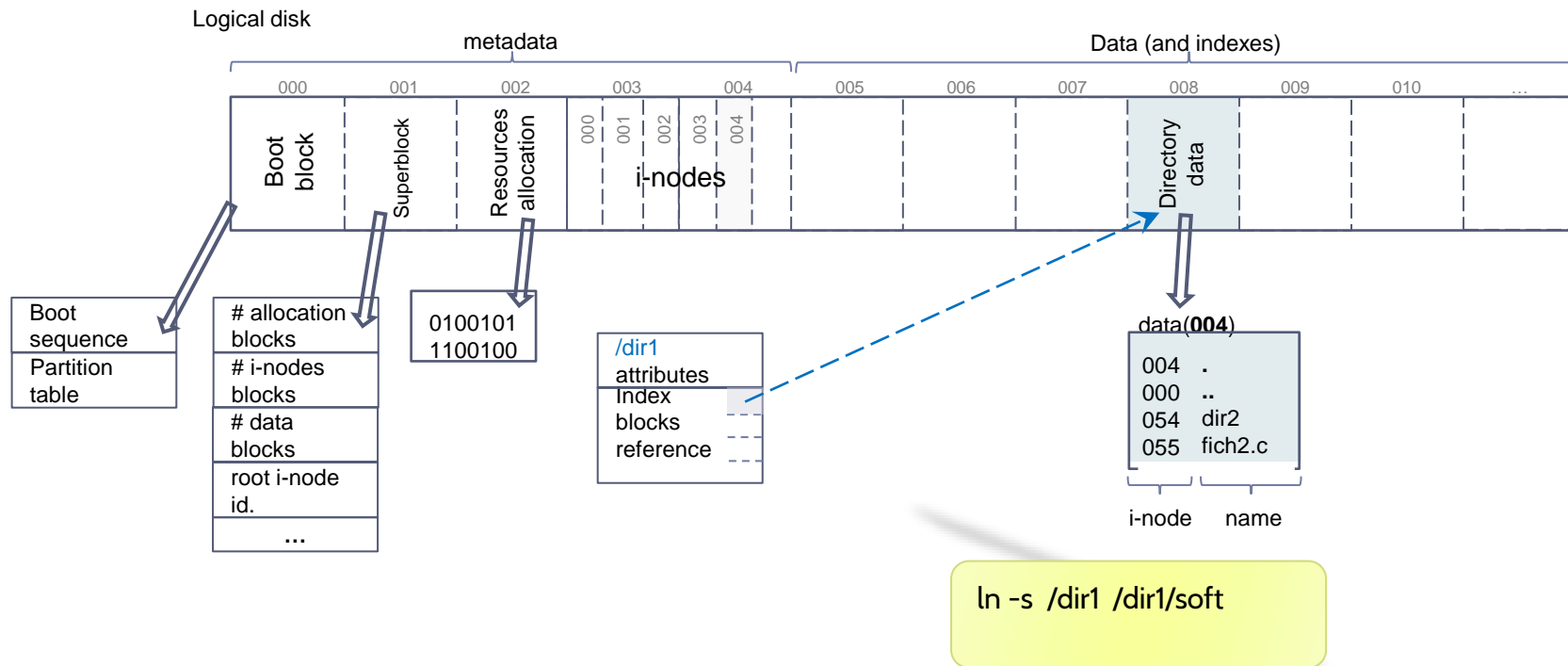


▶ Links



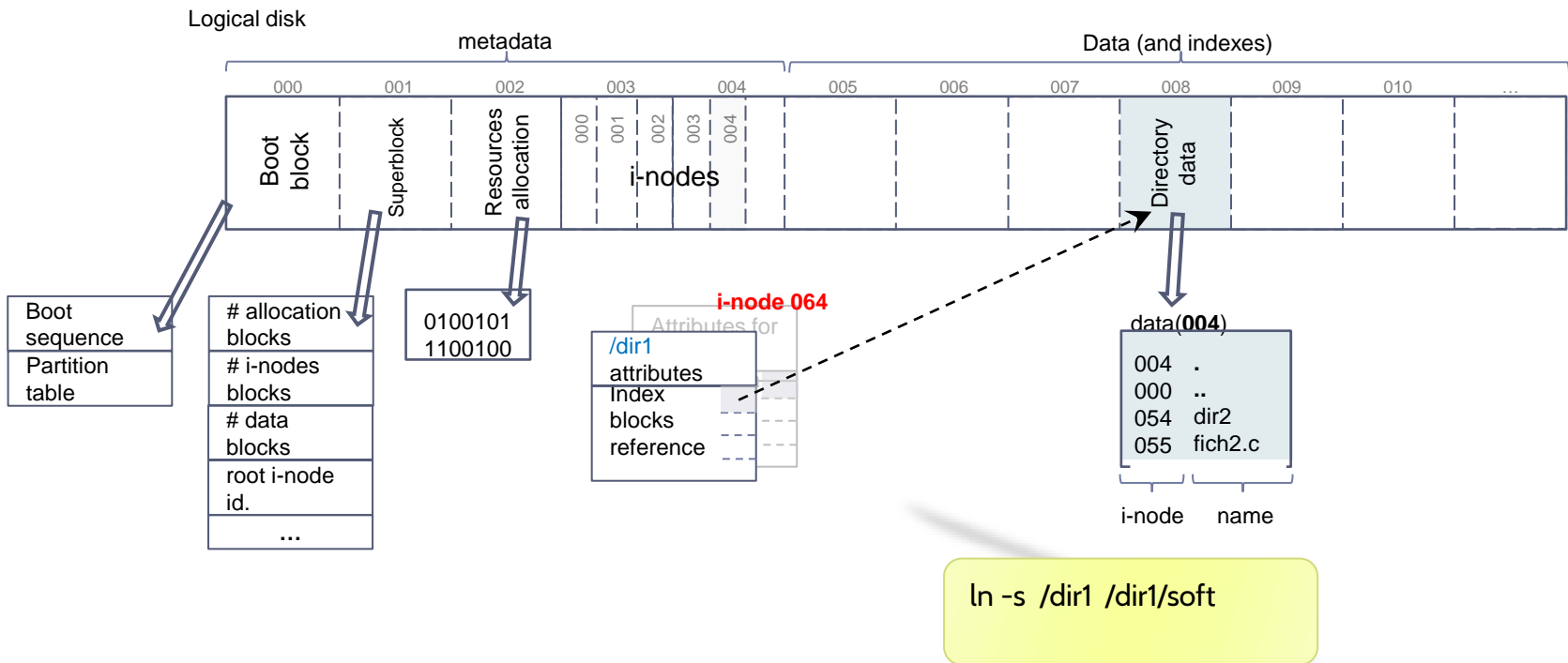
# File system:

## Unix-like representation: Symbolic link (soft link)



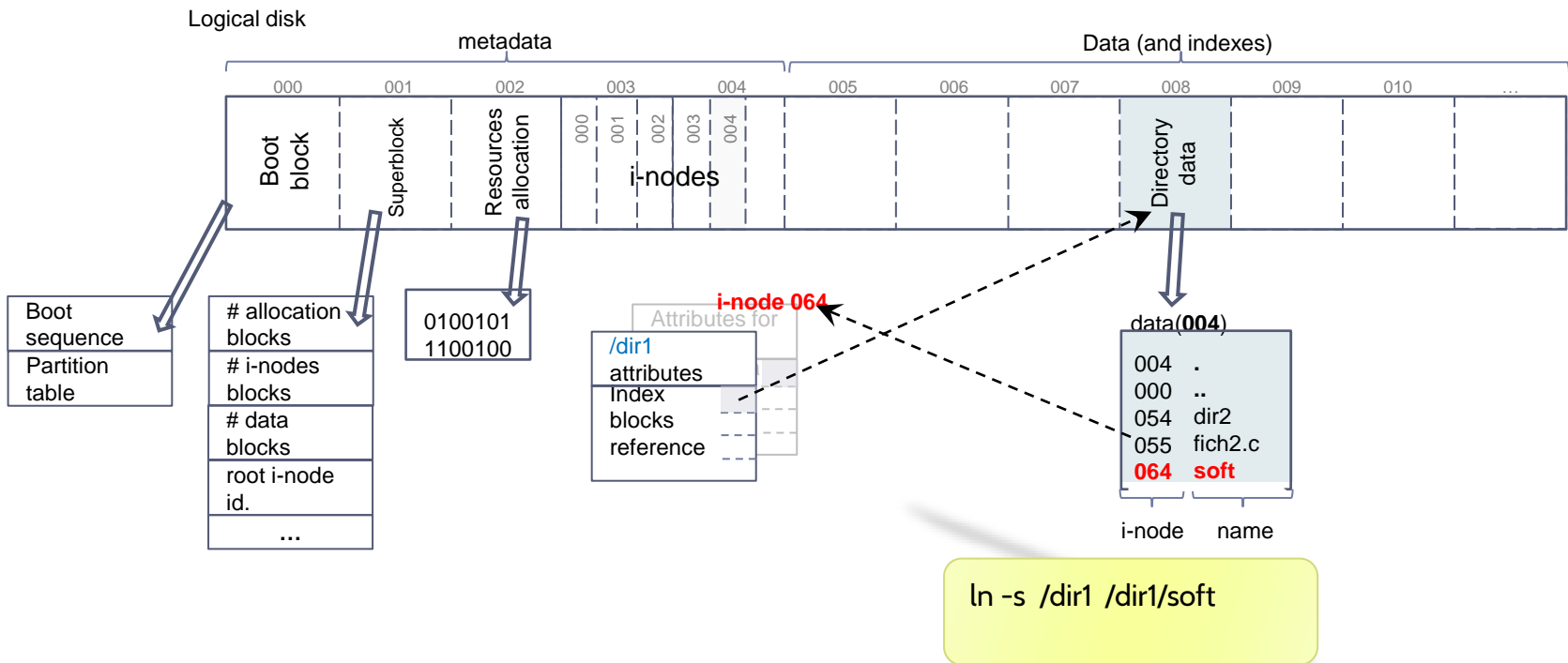
# File system:

## Unix-like representation: Symbolic link (soft link)



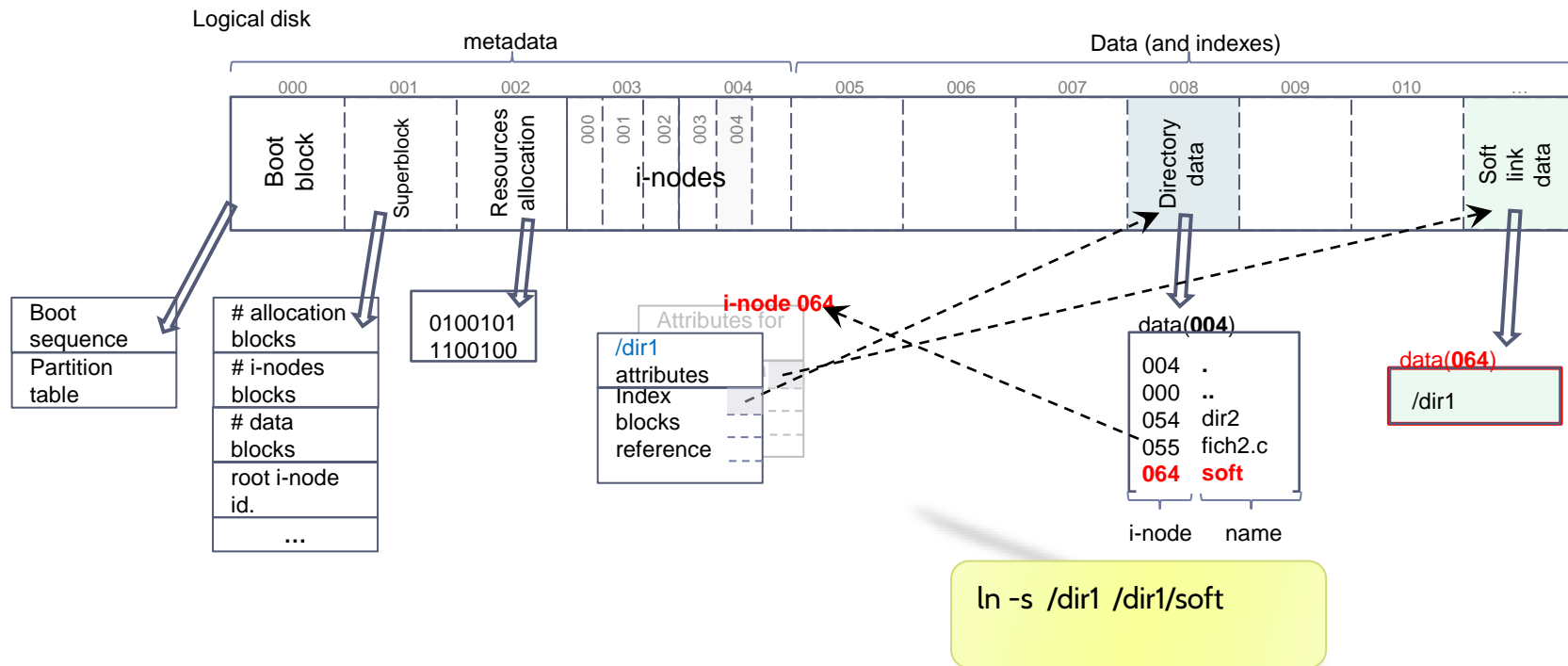
# File system:

## Unix-like representation: Symbolic link (soft link)



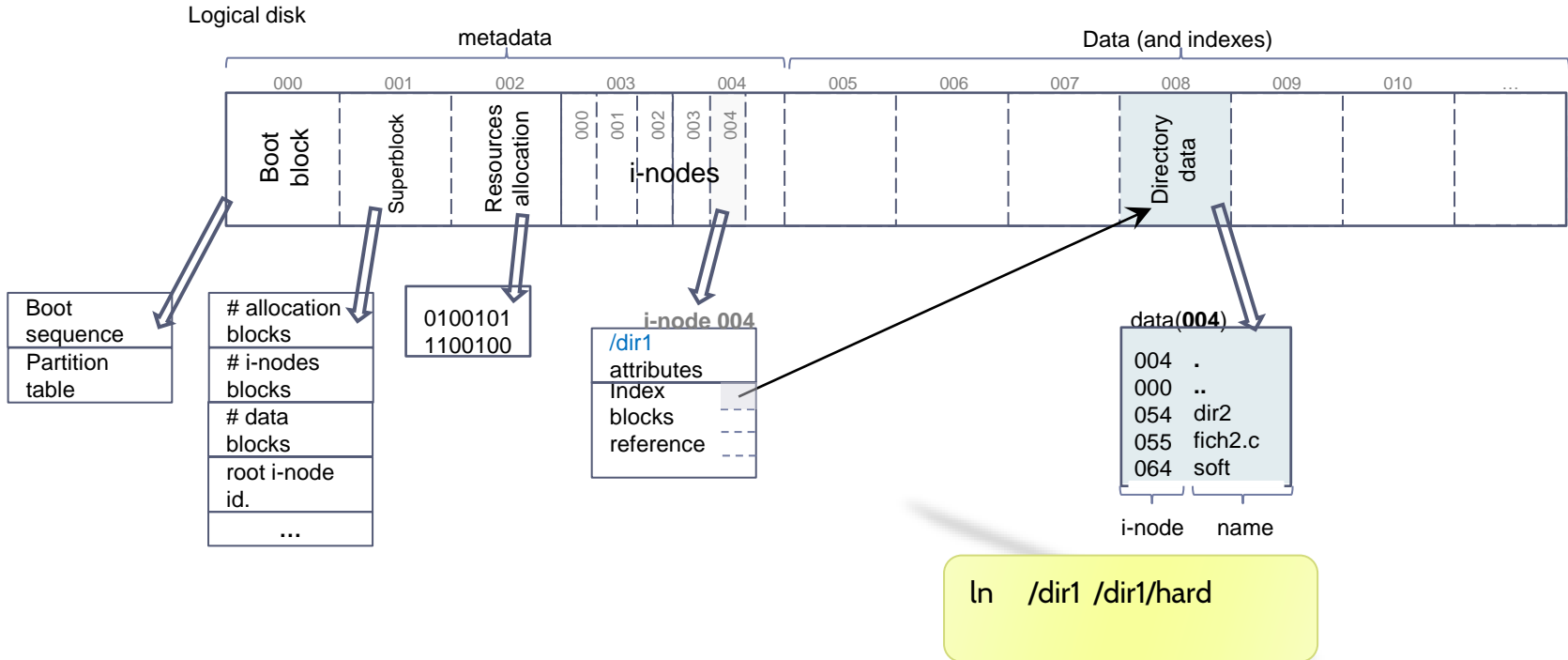
# File system:

## Unix-like representation: Symbolic link (soft link)



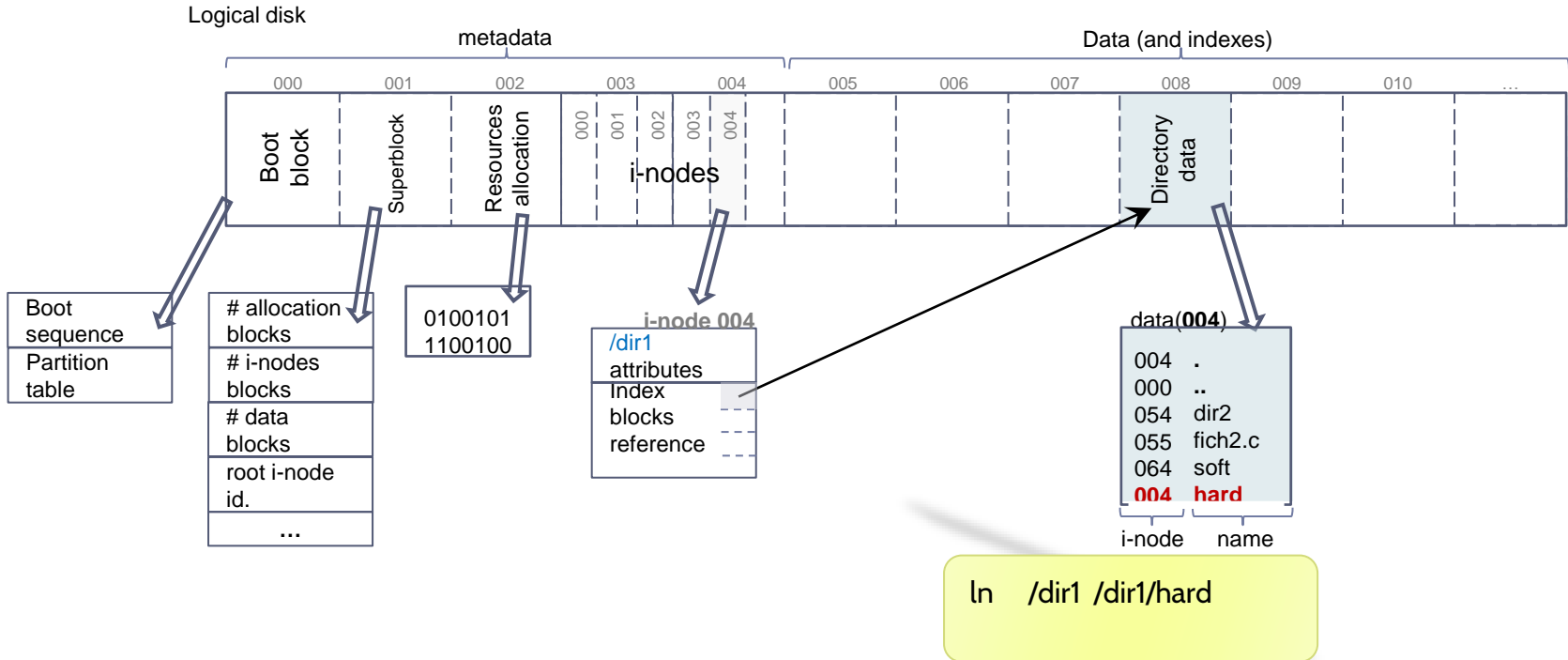
# File system:

## Unix-like representation: **hard link**



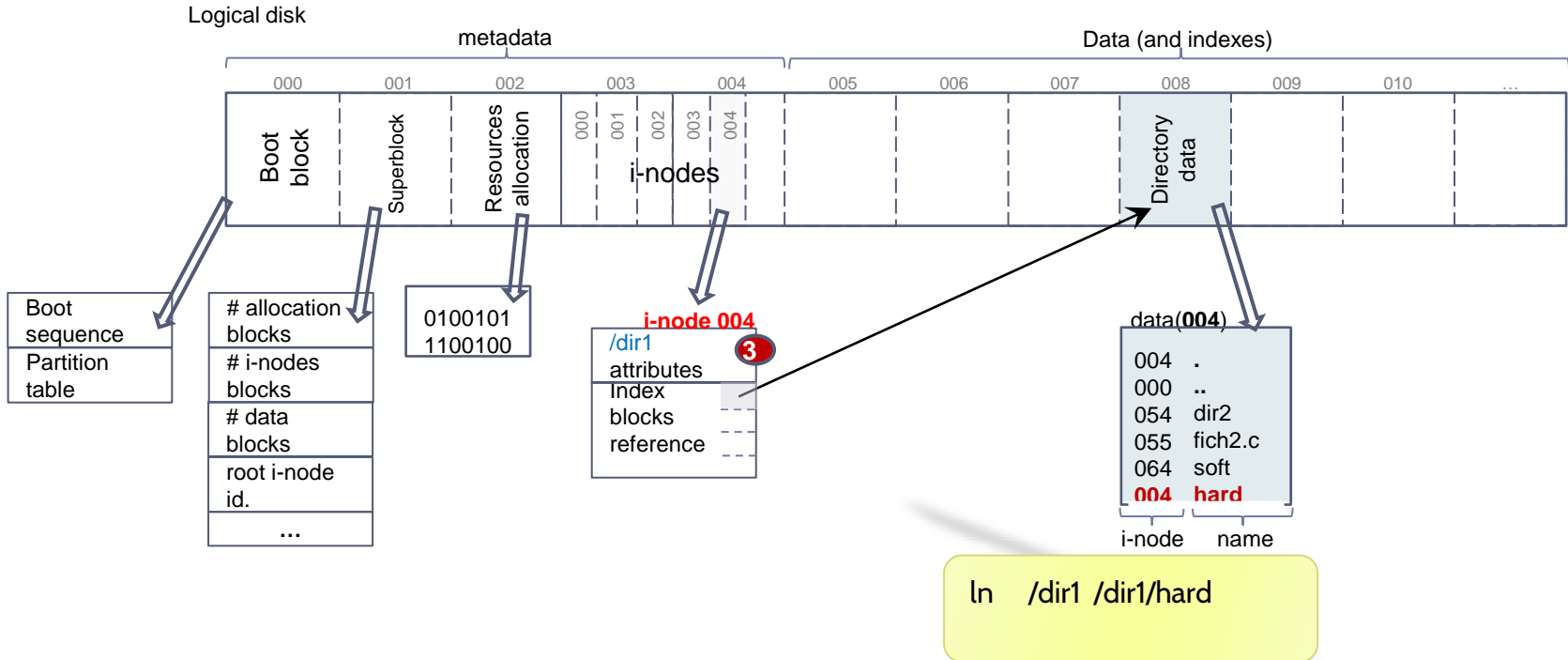
# File system:

## Unix-like representation: **hard link**



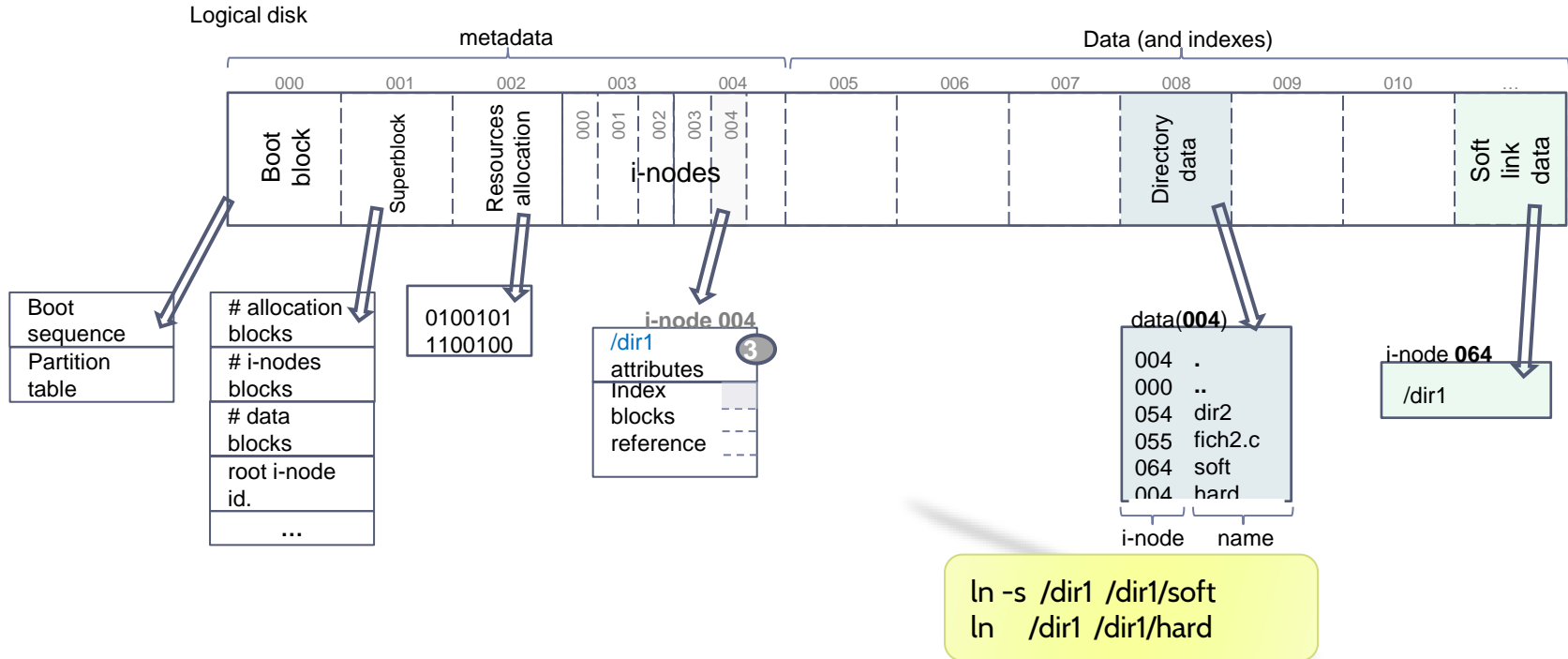
# File system:

## Unix-like representation: **hard link**



# File system:

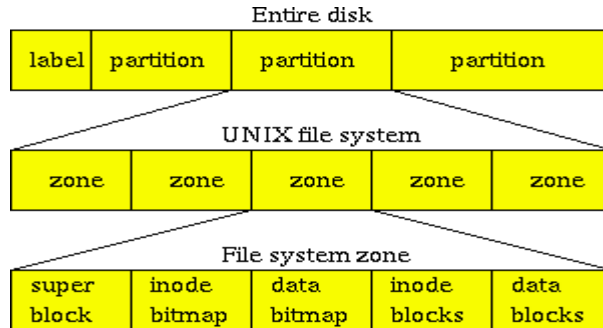
## hard link vs soft link





# File system structures

---



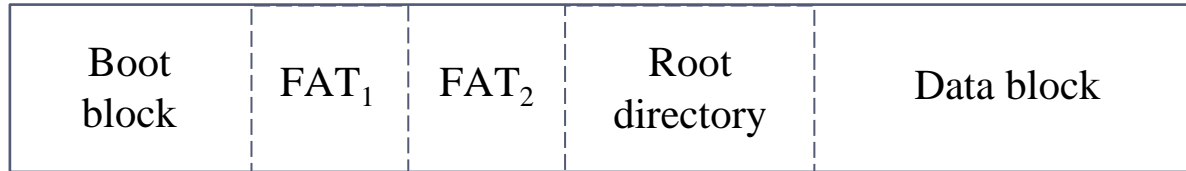
▶ UNIX/Linux

▶ FAT

# File sytem structures:

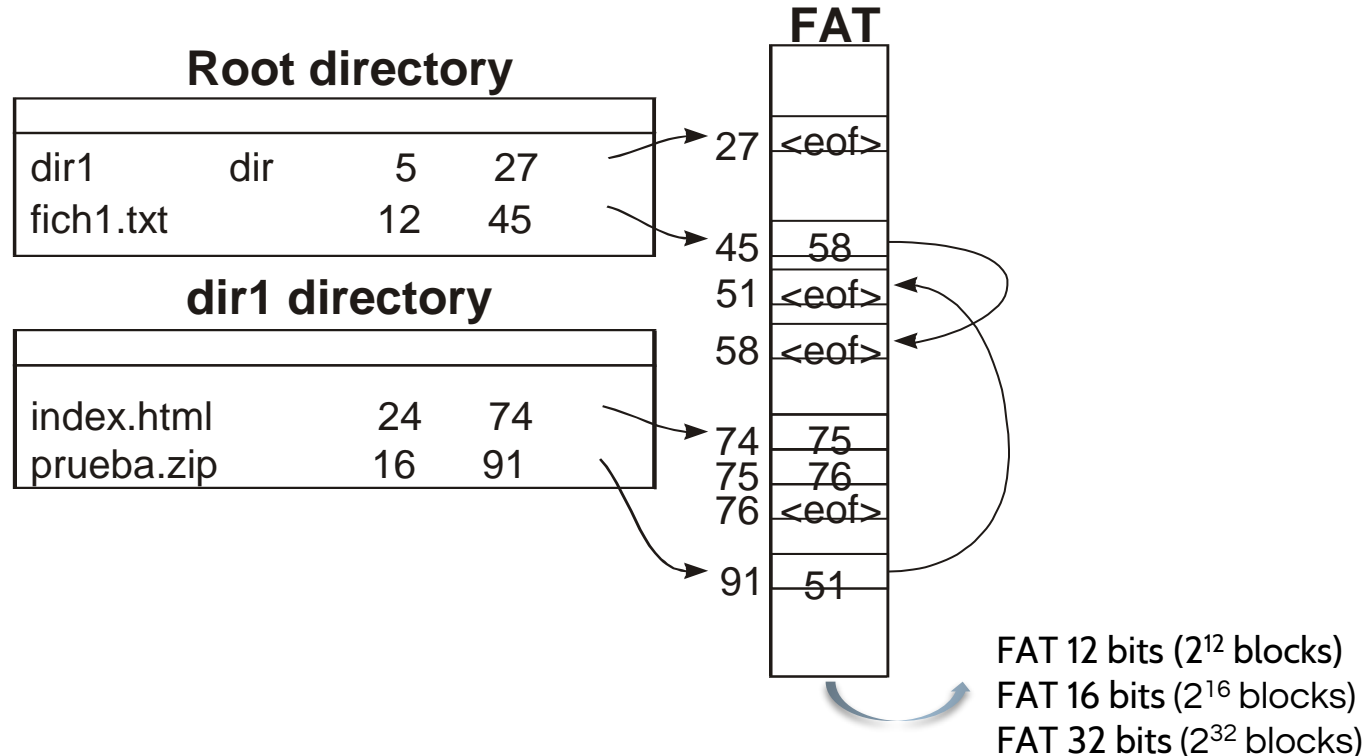
## FAT

---

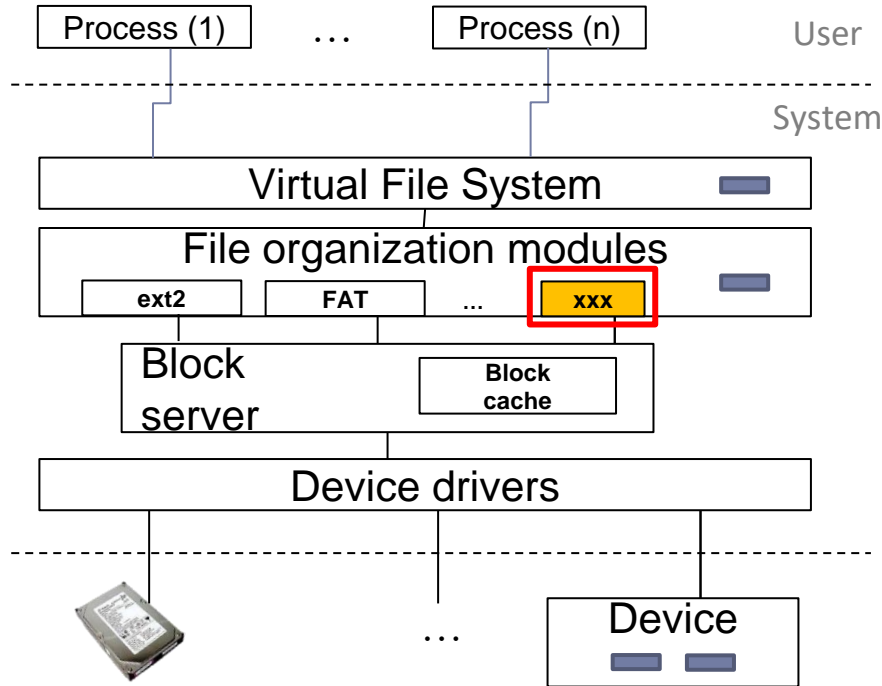


# Files and directories representation:

## FAT

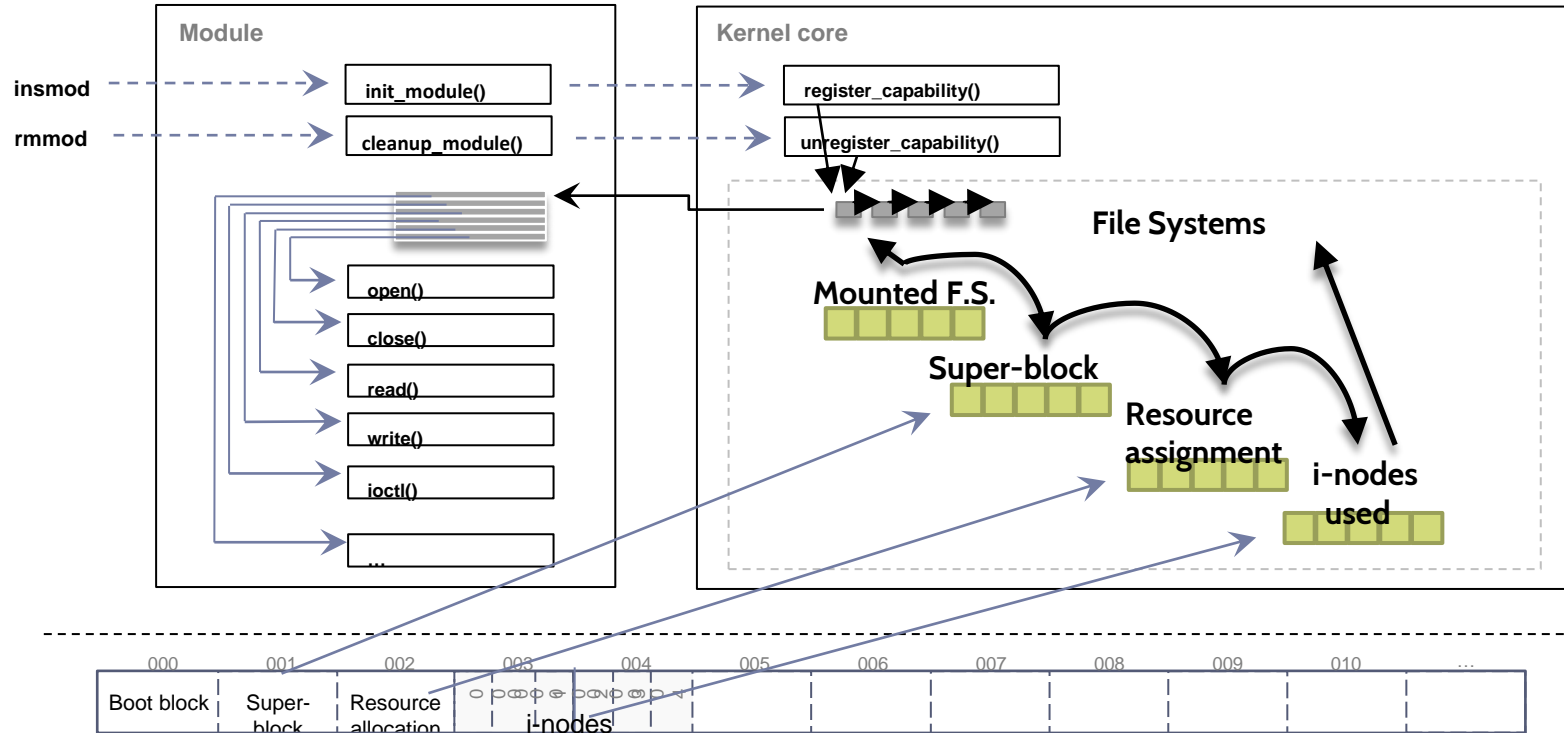


# Design and development of a file system

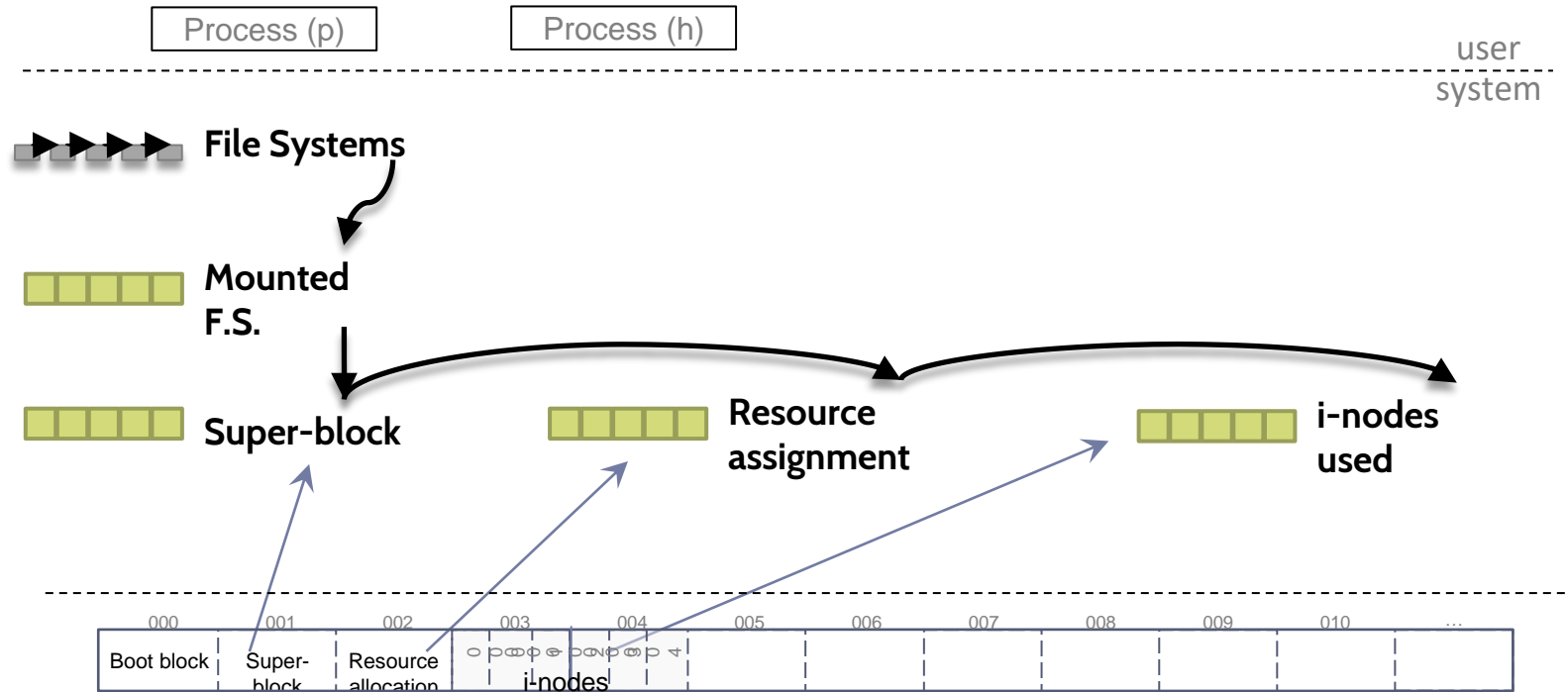


- File system requirements
- Main data structures in the secondary memory
- **Main data structures in the main memory**
- Block management
- Internal (and service) functions

# Initial design: load disk metadata in memory...



# Initial design: load disk metadata in memory...



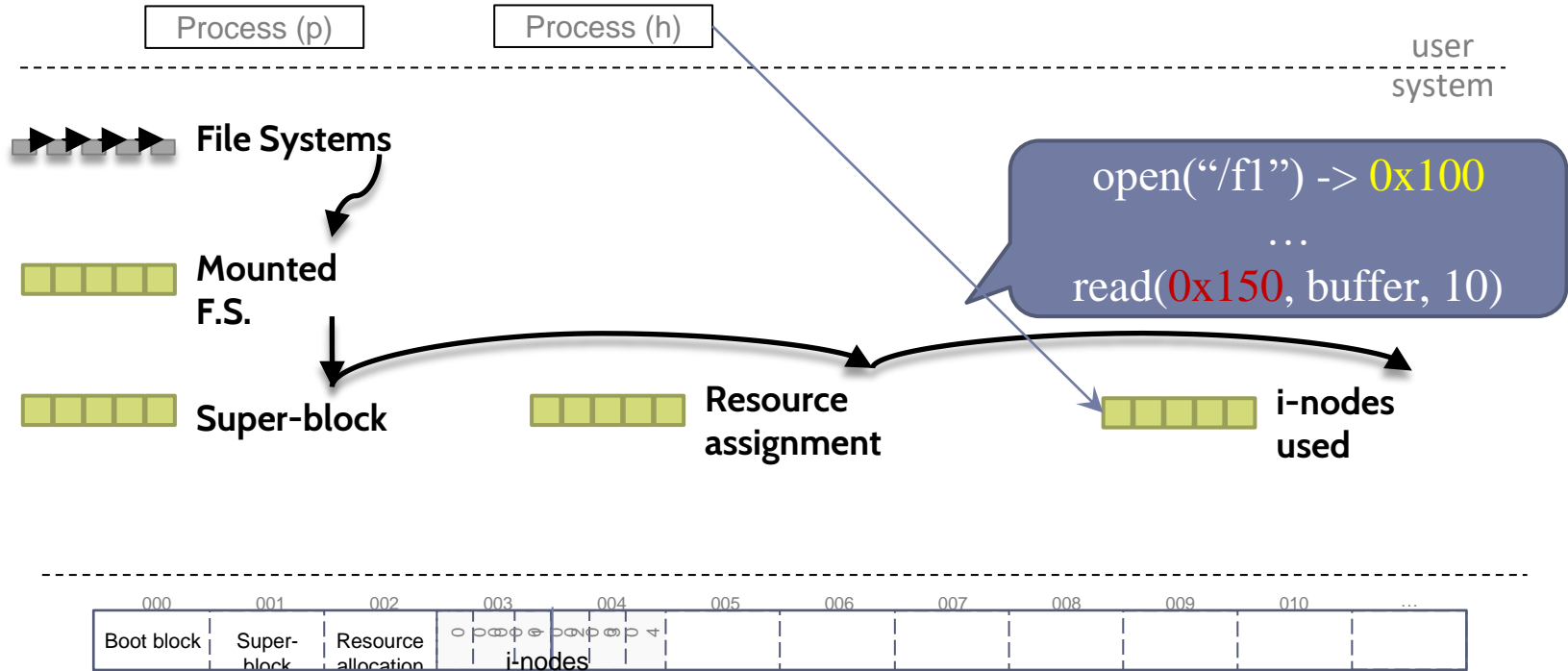
# Main goals

## (for a Unix-like file system)

---

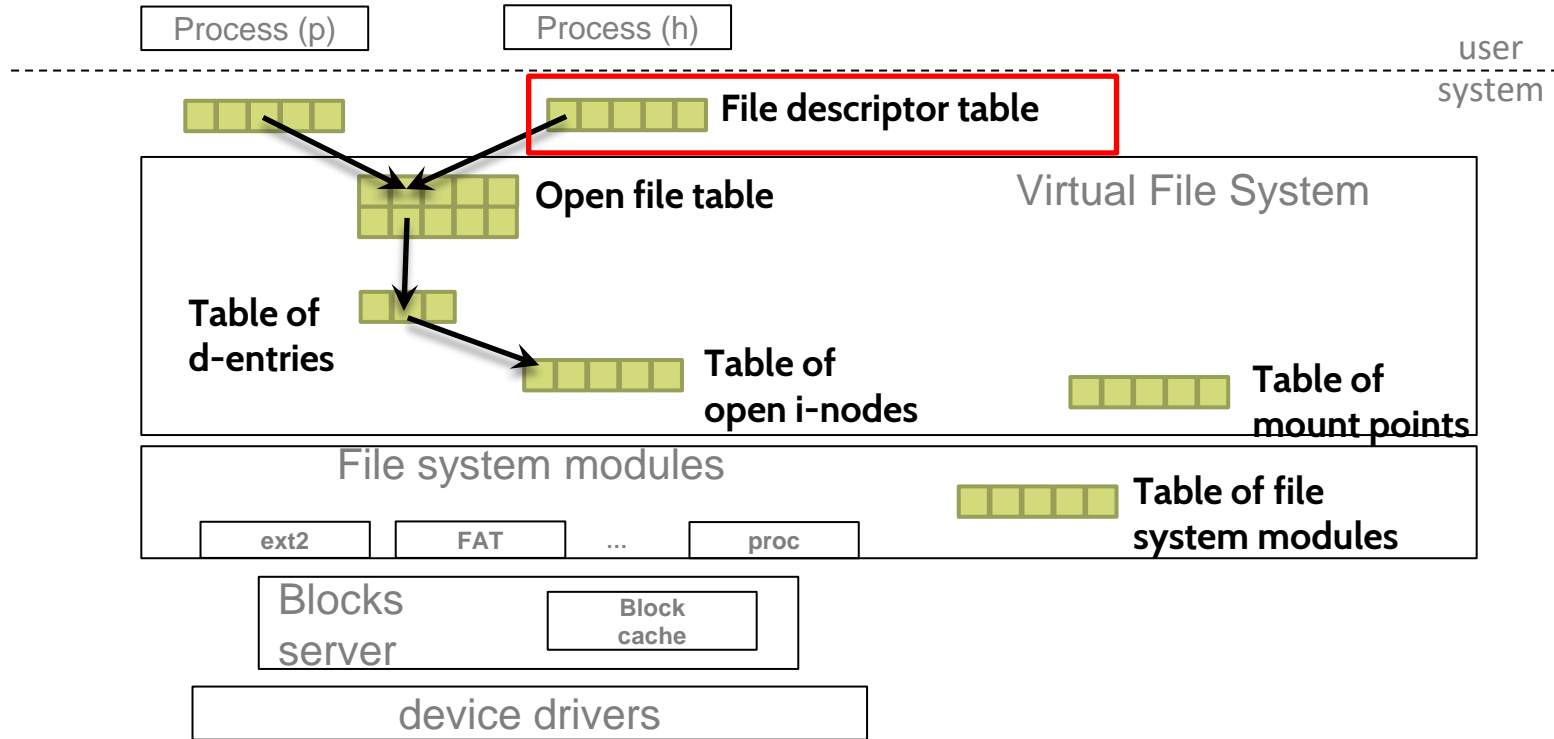
- ▶ Processes have to use a secure interface, without direct access to the kernel data structures
- ▶ Share the file offset position among processes from the same parent that open the file.
- ▶ Offer functionality for working with a file/directory in order to update the information that it contains.
- ▶ Go back and forth in the file system directory tree.
- ▶ Offer persistency of user data, seeking to minimize the impact on the performance and the space needed for the metadata.
- ▶ Keep track of the file systems registered in the kernel, and keep track of the mount point of these file systems.

# Example of direct access to kernel address...

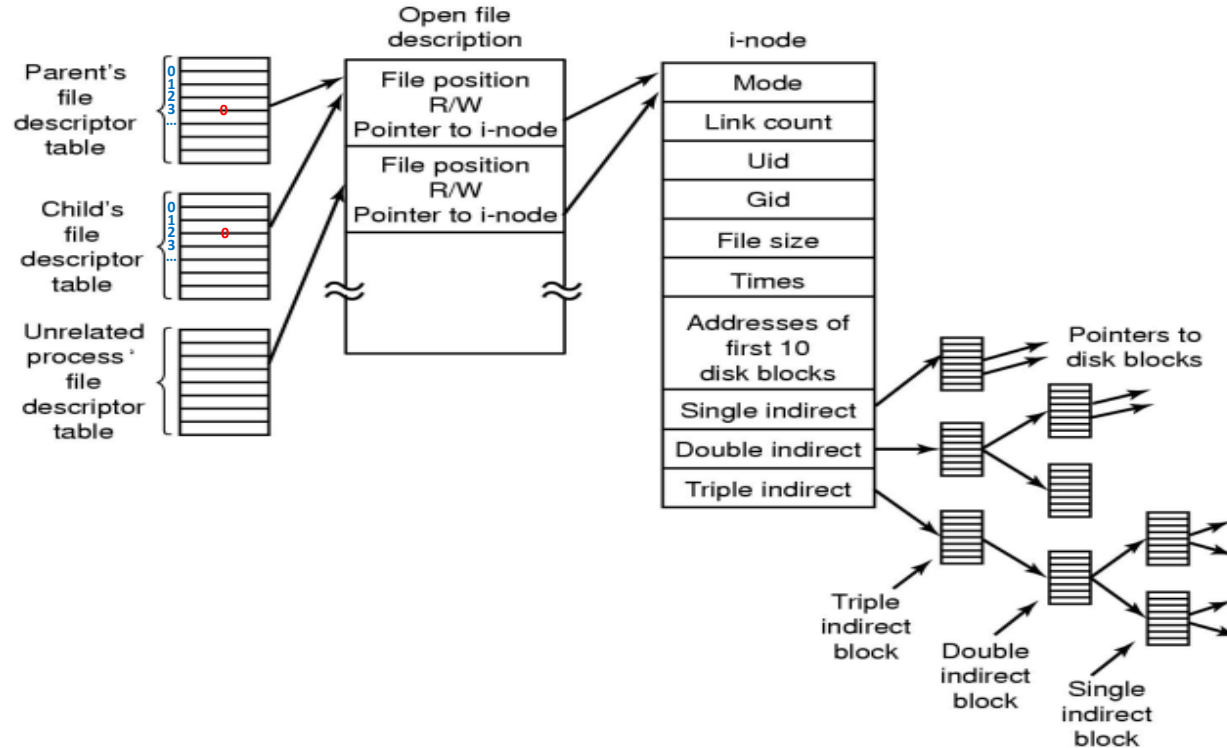




# Main management structures



# Main management structures



# Main management structures

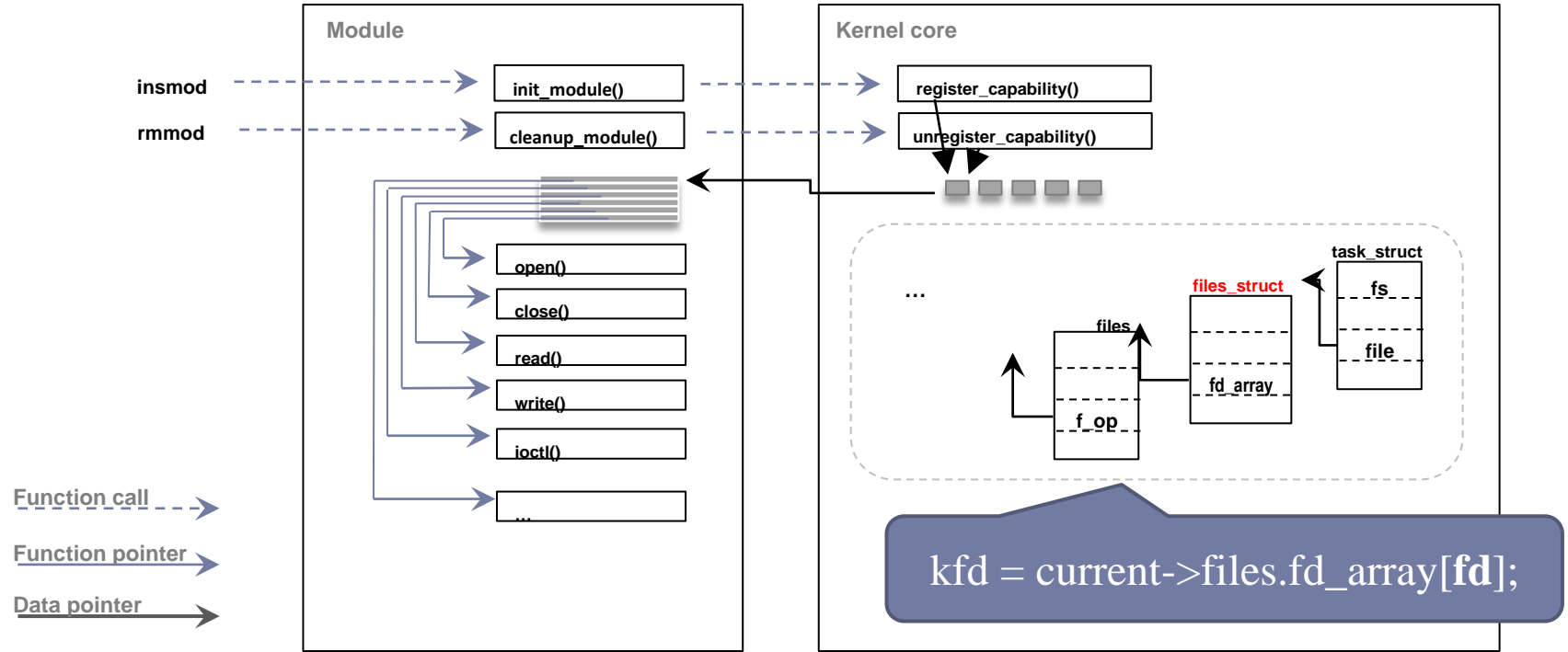
## File descriptor table: Linux



```
struct fs_struct {  
    atomic_t  count;          /* structure's usage count */  
    spinlock_t file_lock;     /* lock protecting this structure */  
    int       max_fds;        /* maximum number of file objects */  
    int       max_fdset;      /* maximum number of file descriptors */  
    int       next_fd;        /* next file descriptor number */  
    struct file **fd;         /* array of all file objects */  
    fd_set    *close_on_exec; /* file descriptors to close on exec() */  
    fd_set    *open_fds;      /* pointer to open file descriptors */  
    fd_set    close_on_exec_init; /* initial files to close on exec() */  
    fd_set    open_fds_init;  /* initial set of file descriptors */  
    struct file *fd_array[NR_OPEN_DEFAULT]; /* array of file objects */  
};
```

# Main management structures

## Descriptors table (open files): Linux



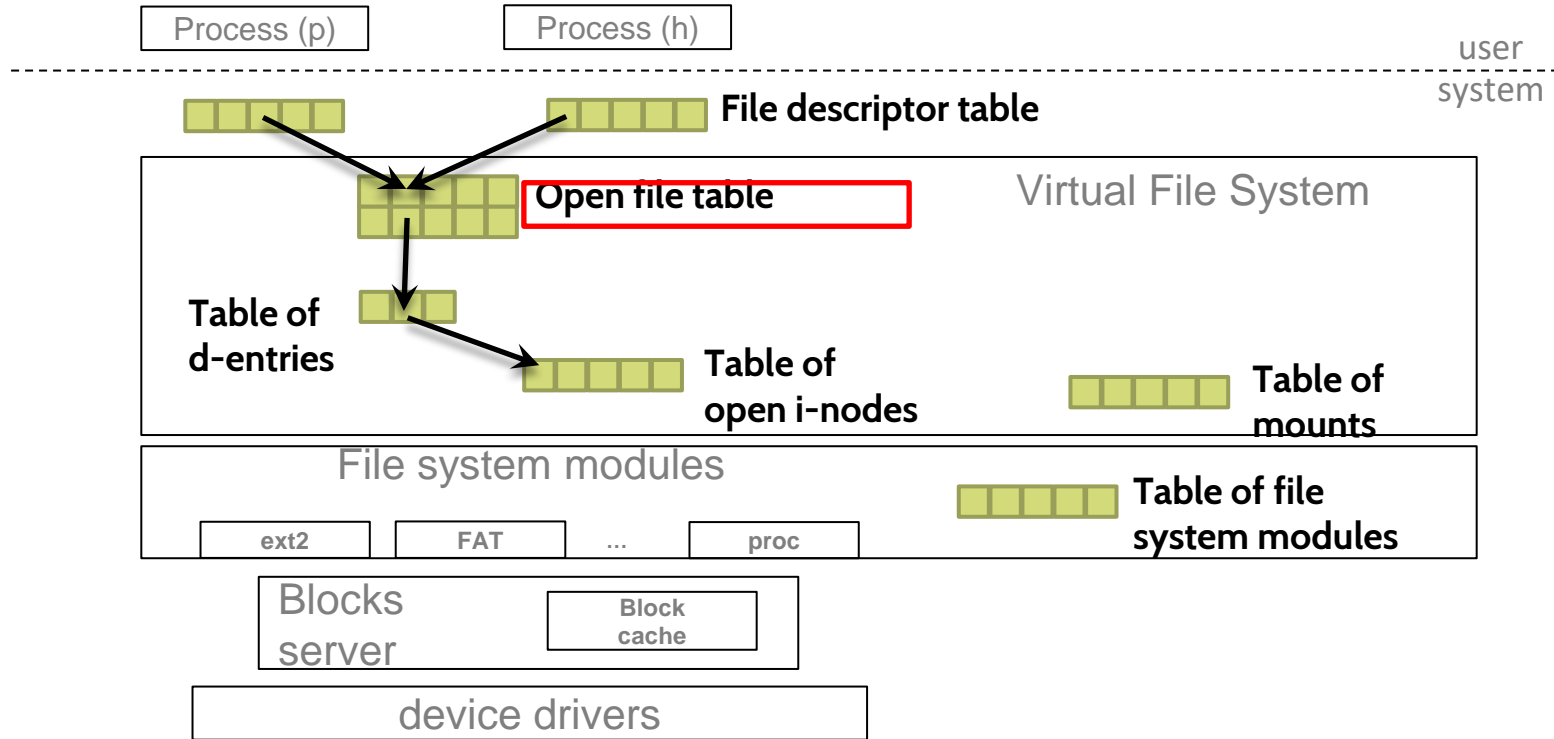
# Main goals

## (for a Unix-like file system)

---

- ▶ The processes have to use a secure interface, without direct access to the kernel representation.
- ▶ To share the file offset among process from the same parent that open the file.
- ▶ To have a working session with the file/directory in order to update the information that it contains.
- ▶ Go back and forth in the file system directory tree.
- ▶ Offer persistency of user data, seeking to minimize the impact on the performance and the space needed for the metadata.
- ▶ Keep track of the file system registered in the kernel, and keep track of the mount points of these file systems.

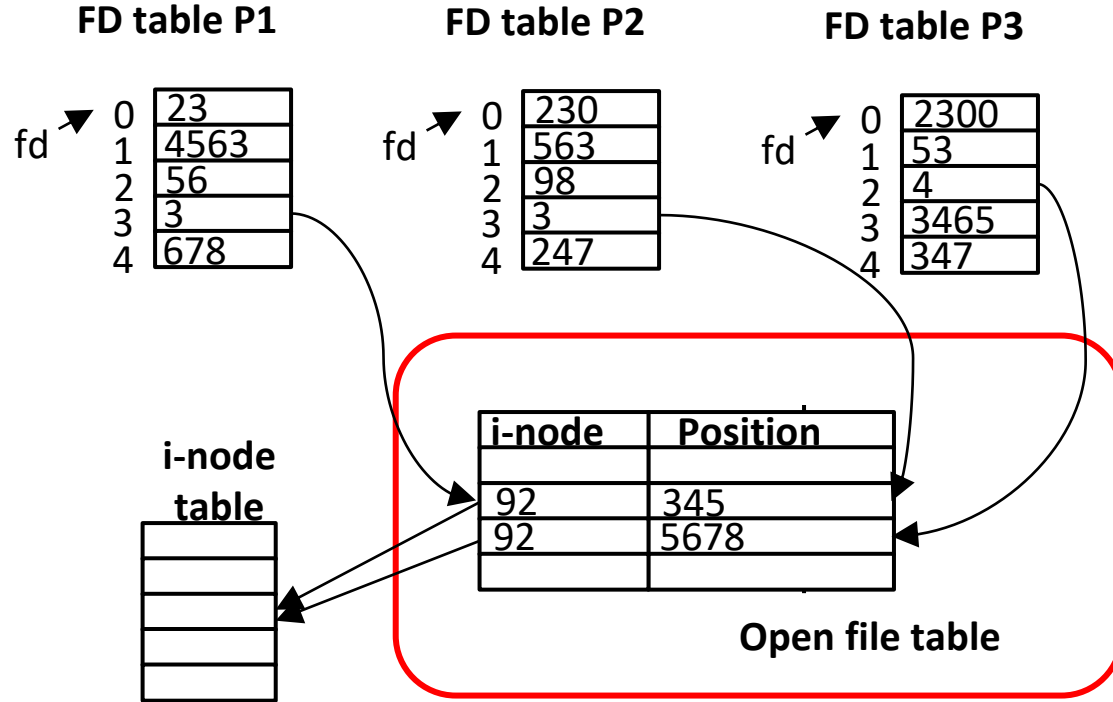
# Main management structures



# Main management structures

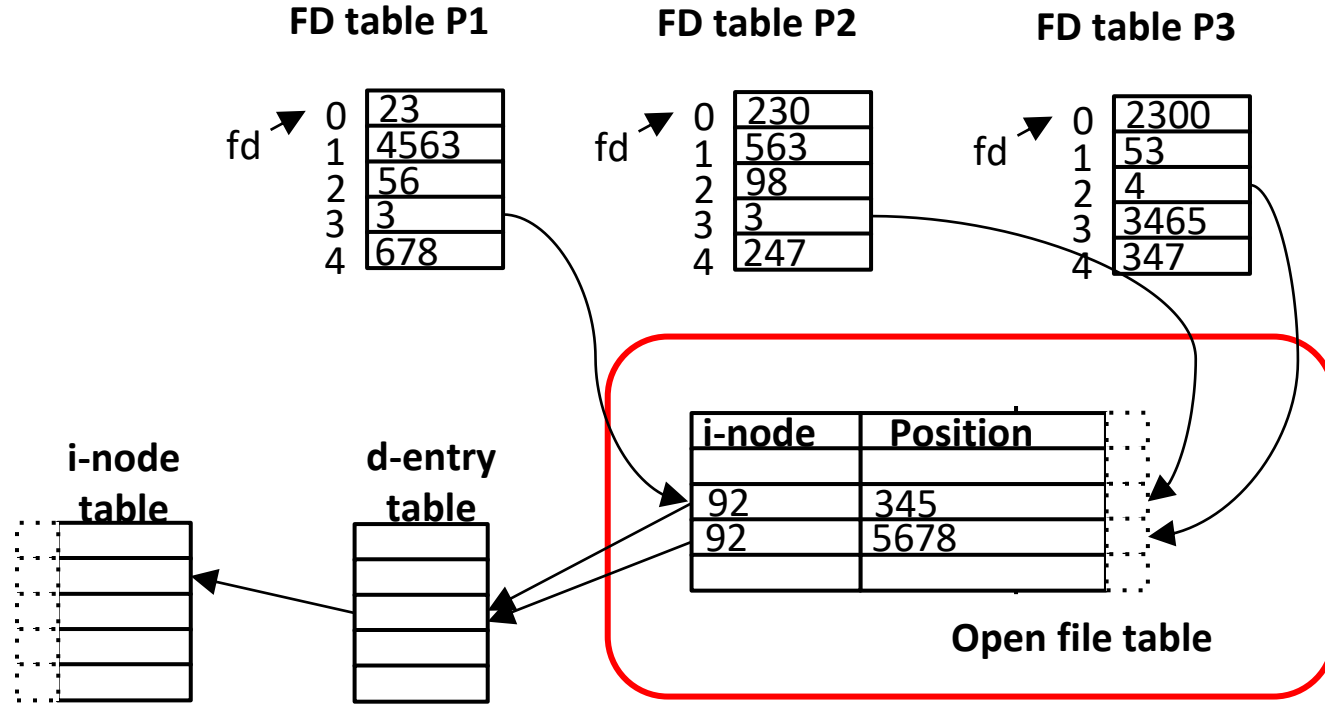
## Seek pointers table

---



# Main management structures

## Seek pointers table: Linux





# Main management structures

## File table: Linux



```
struct file {
```

```
    struct dentry      *f_dentry;
```

```
    struct vfsmount    *f_vfsmnt;
```

```
    struct file_operations *f_op;
```

```
    mode_t             f_mode;
```

```
    loff_t             f_pos;
```

```
    struct fown_struct f_owner;
```

```
    unsigned int       f_uid, f_gid;
```

```
    unsigned long      f_version;
```

```
    ...
```

```
};
```

```
struct file_operations {
```

```
    int  (*open) (struct inode *, struct file *);
```

```
    ssize_t (*read) (struct file *, char *, size_t, loff_t *);
```

```
    ssize_t (*write) (struct file *, const char *, size_t, loff_t *);
```

```
    loff_t (*llseek) (struct file *, loff_t, int);
```

```
    int  (*ioctl) (struct inode *, struct file *,
                  unsigned int, ulong);
```

```
    int  (*readdir) (struct file *, void *, filldir_t);
```

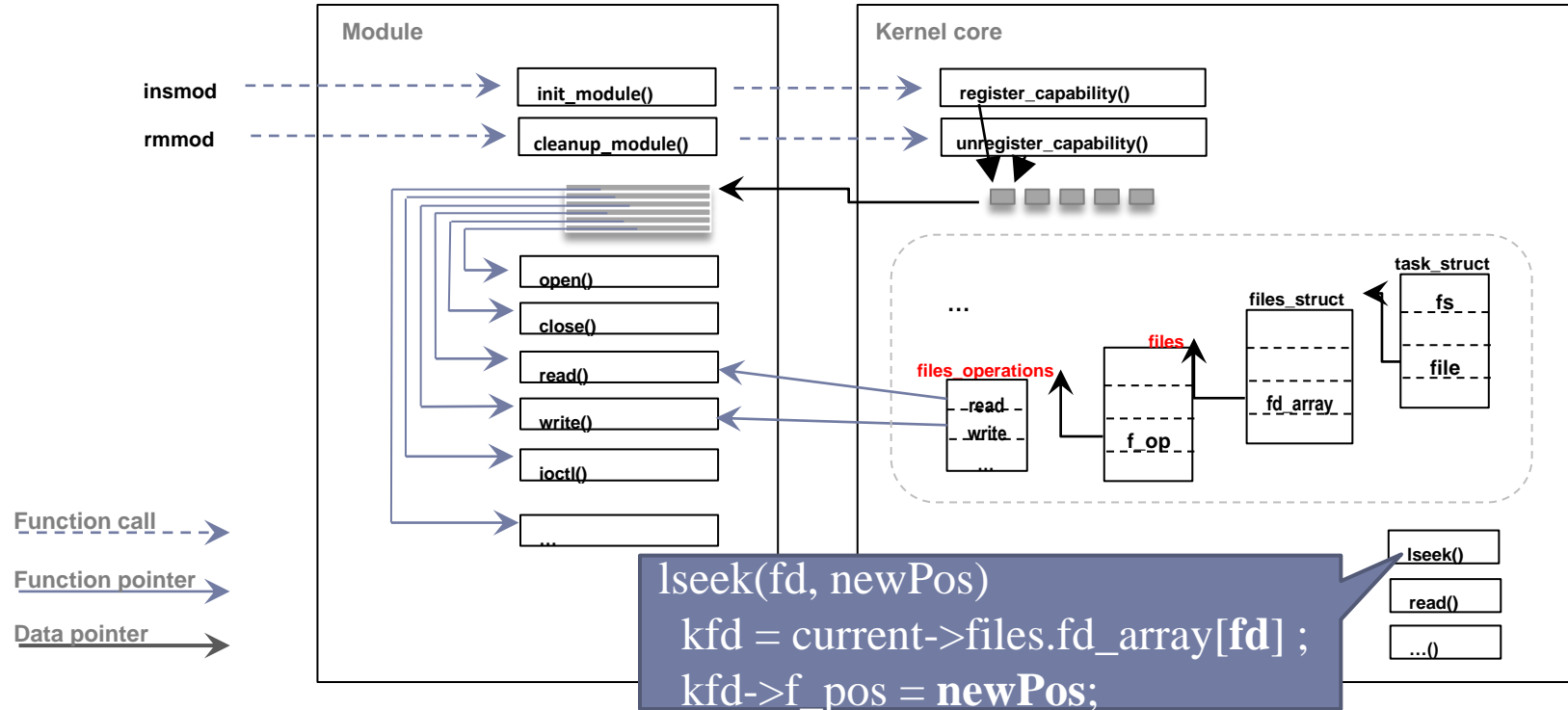
```
    int  (*mmap) (struct file *, struct vm_area_struct *);
```

```
    ...
```

```
};
```

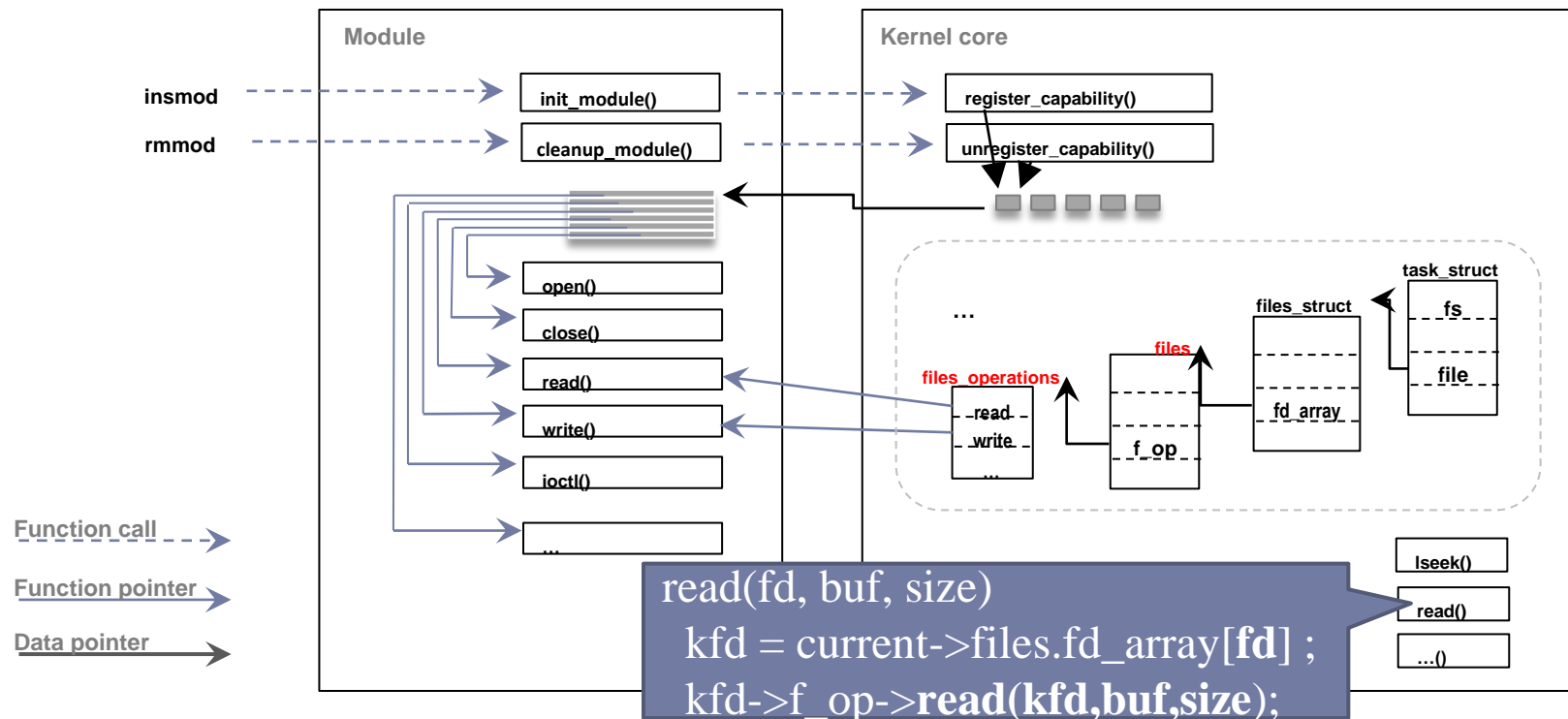
# Main management structures

## File table: Linux



# Main management structures

## File table: Linux



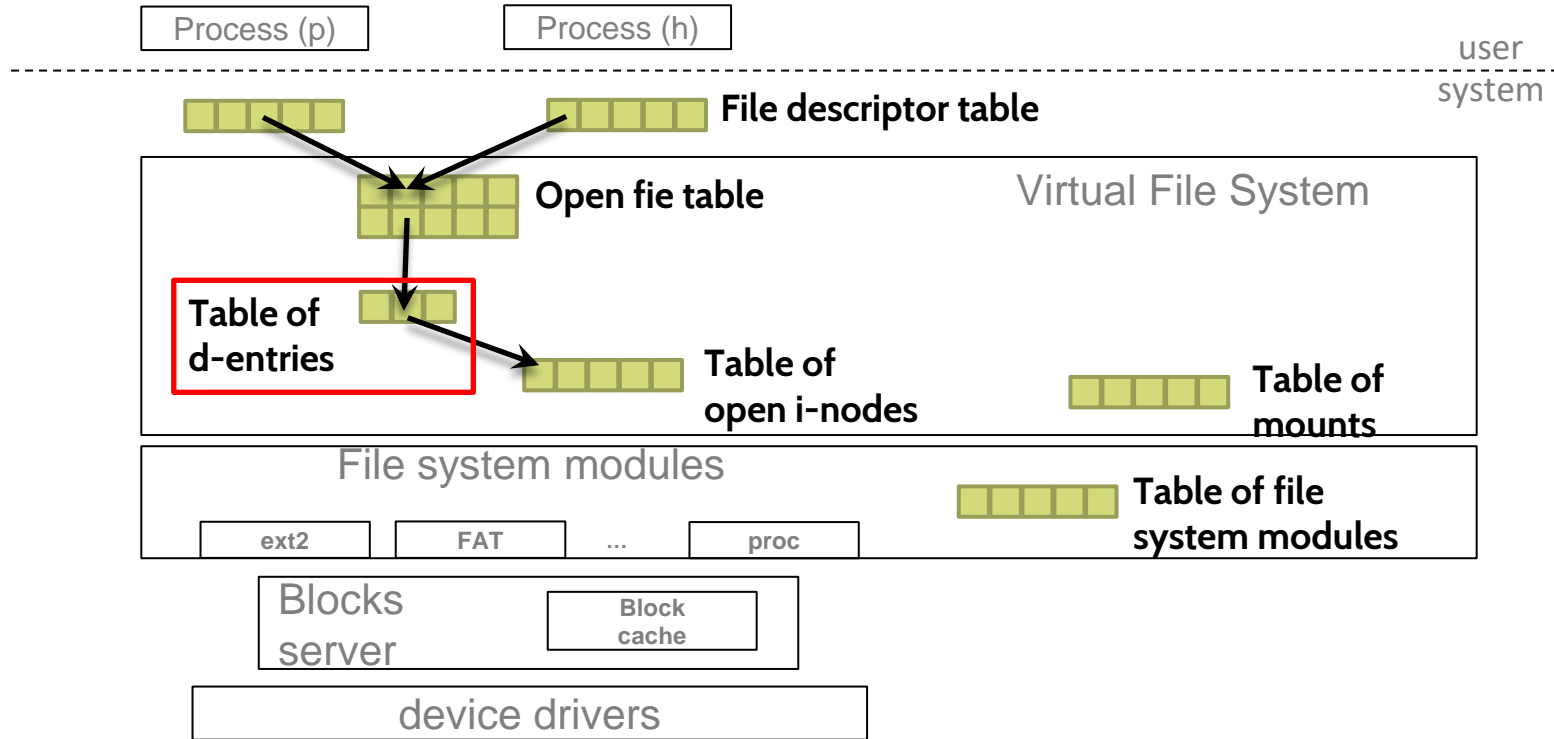
# Main goals

## (for a Unix-like file system)

---

- ▶ The processes have to use a secure interface, without direct access to the kernel representation.
- ▶ To share the file offset among process from the same parent that open the file.
- ▶ To have a working session with the file/directory in order to update the information that it contains.
- ▶ Go back and forth in the file system directory tree.
- ▶ Offer persistency of user data, seeking to minimize the impact on the performance and the space needed for the metadata.
- ▶ Keep track of the file system registered in the kernel, and keep track of the mount points of these file systems.

# Main management structures

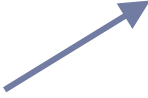


# Main management structures

## Table of d-entries (directory entries): Linux



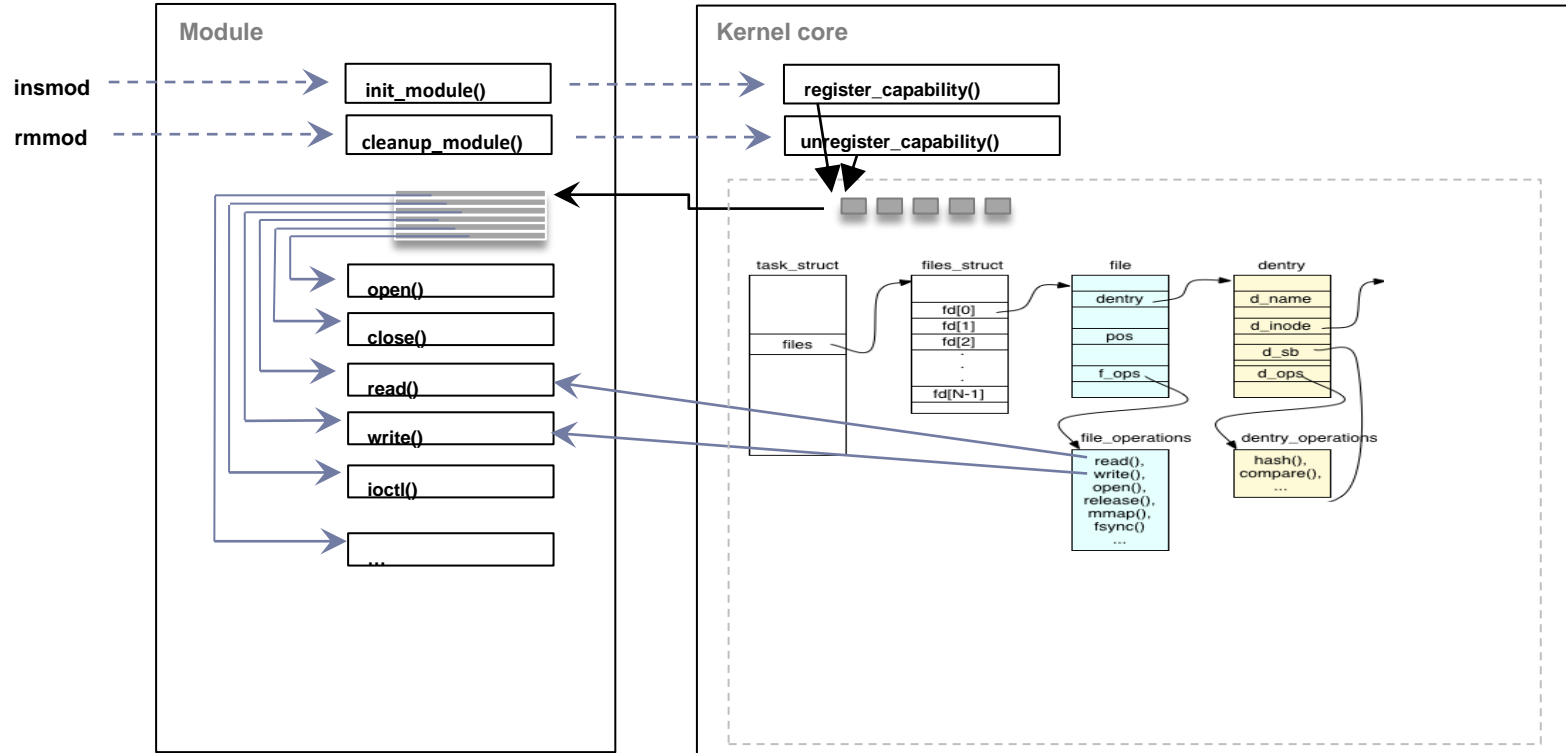
```
struct dentry {  
    struct inode      *d_inode;  
    struct dentry     *d_parent;  
    struct qstr       d_name;  
    struct dentry_operations *d_op;  
    struct super_block *d_sb;  
    struct list_head  d_subdirs;  
    ...  
}
```



```
struct dentry_operations {  
    int (*d_revalidate) (struct dentry *, int);  
    int (*d_hash)      (struct dentry *, struct qstr *);  
    int (*d_compare)   (struct dentry *, struct qstr *,  
                        struct qstr *);  
    int (*d_delete)    (struct dentry *);  
    void (*d_release)  (struct dentry *);  
    void (*d_iput)     (struct dentry *,  
                        struct inode *);  
}
```

# Main management structures

## Table of d-entries (directory entries): Linux



# Main goals

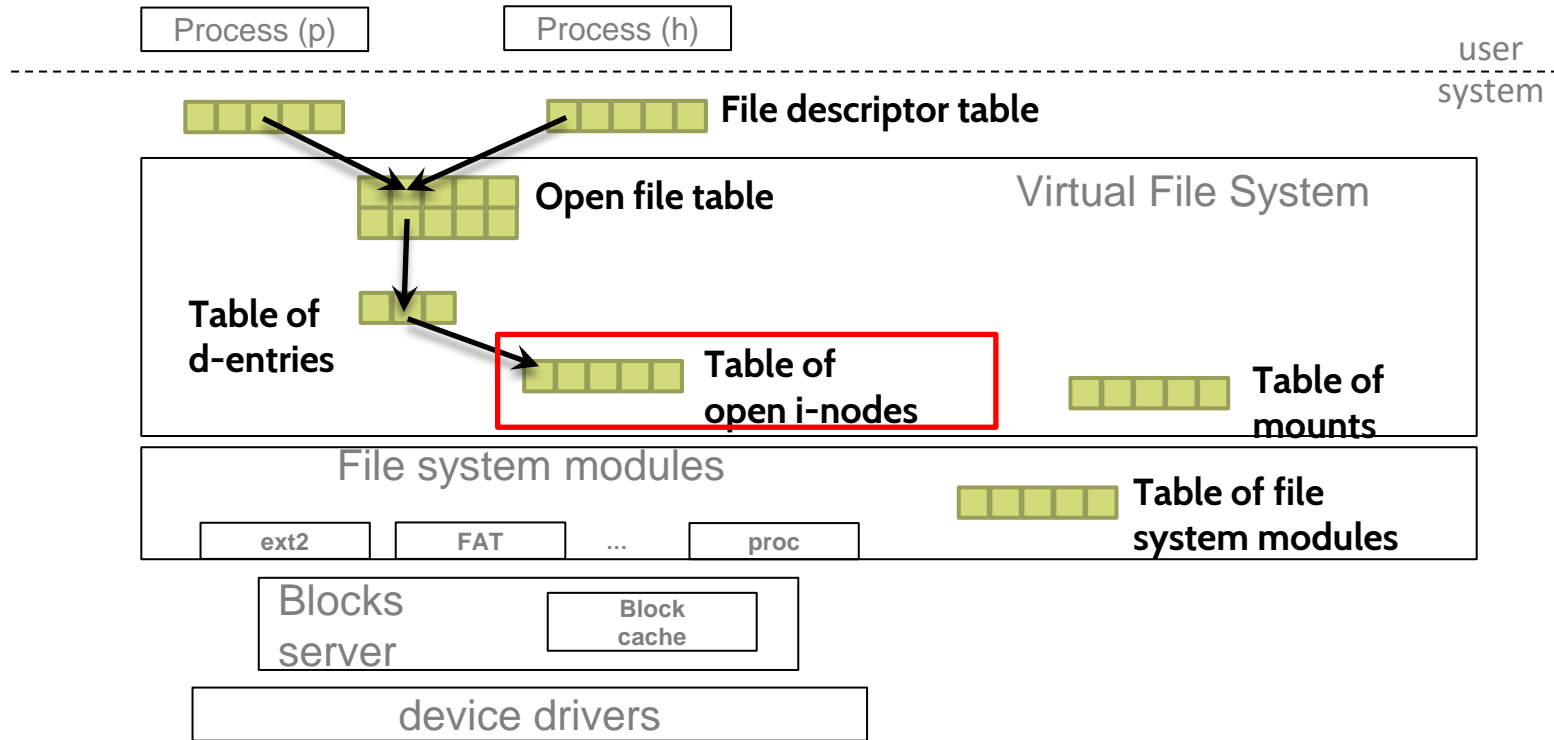
## (for a Unix-like file system)

---

- ▶ The processes have to use a secure interface, without direct access to the kernel representation.
- ▶ To share the file offset among process from the same parent that open the file.
- ▶ To have a working session with the file/directory in order to update the information that it contains.
- ▶ Go back and forth in the file system directory tree.
- ▶ Offer persistency of user data, seeking to minimize the impact on the performance and the space needed for the metadata.
- ▶ Keep track of the file system registered in the kernel, and keep track of the mount points of these file systems.



# Main management structures



# Main management structures

## Table of i-nodes: Linux



```
struct inode {  
    unsigned long    i_ino;  
    umode_t          i_mode;  
    uid_t            i_uid;  
    gid_t            i_gid;  
    kdev_t            i_rdev;  
    loff_t            i_size;  
    struct timespec   i_atime;  
    struct timespec   i_ctime;  
    struct timespec   i_mtime;  
    struct super_block *i_sb;  
    struct inode_operations *i_op;  
    struct address_space *i_mapping;  
    struct list_head   i_dentry;  
    ...  
};
```

# Main management structures

## Table of i-nodes: Linux



### struct inode\_operations {

```
int (*create) (struct inode *,
               struct dentry *, int);
int (*unlink) (struct inode *,
               struct dentry *);
int (*mkdir) (struct inode *,
              struct dentry *, int);
int (*rmdir) (struct inode *,
              struct dentry *);
int (*mknod) (struct inode *,
              struct dentry *,
              int, dev_t);
int (*rename) (struct inode *,
               struct dentry *,
               struct inode *,
               struct dentry *);
void (*truncate) (struct inode *);
struct dentry * (*lookup) (struct inode *,
                           struct dentry *);

int (*permission) (struct inode *, int);
int (*setattr) (struct dentry *,
               struct iattr *);
int (*getattr) (struct vfsmount *mnt,
               struct dentry *,
               struct kstat *);
int (*setxattr) (struct dentry *,
                 const char *,
                 const void *,
                 size_t, int);
ssize_t (*getxattr) (struct dentry *,
                    const char *,
                    void *, size_t);
ssize_t (*listxattr) (struct dentry *,
                     char *, size_t);
int (*removexattr) (struct dentry *,
                   const char *);

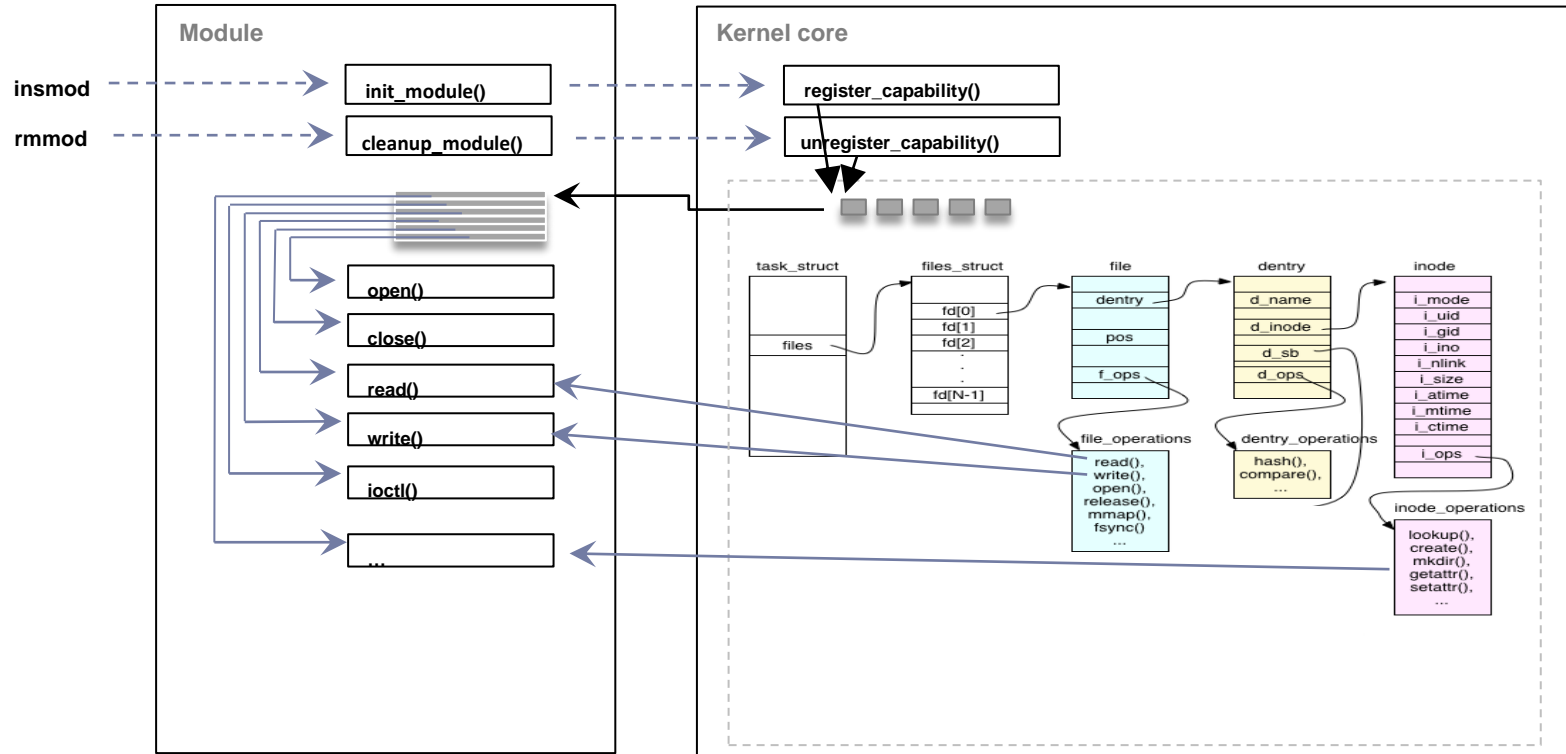
int (*link) (struct dentry *,
             struct inode *,
             struct dentry *);
int (*symlink) (struct inode *,
                struct dentry *,
                const char *);
int (*readlink) (struct dentry *,
                 char *, int);
int (*follow_link) (struct dentry *,
                    struct nameidata *);
```

};



# Main management structures

## Table of i-nodes: Linux



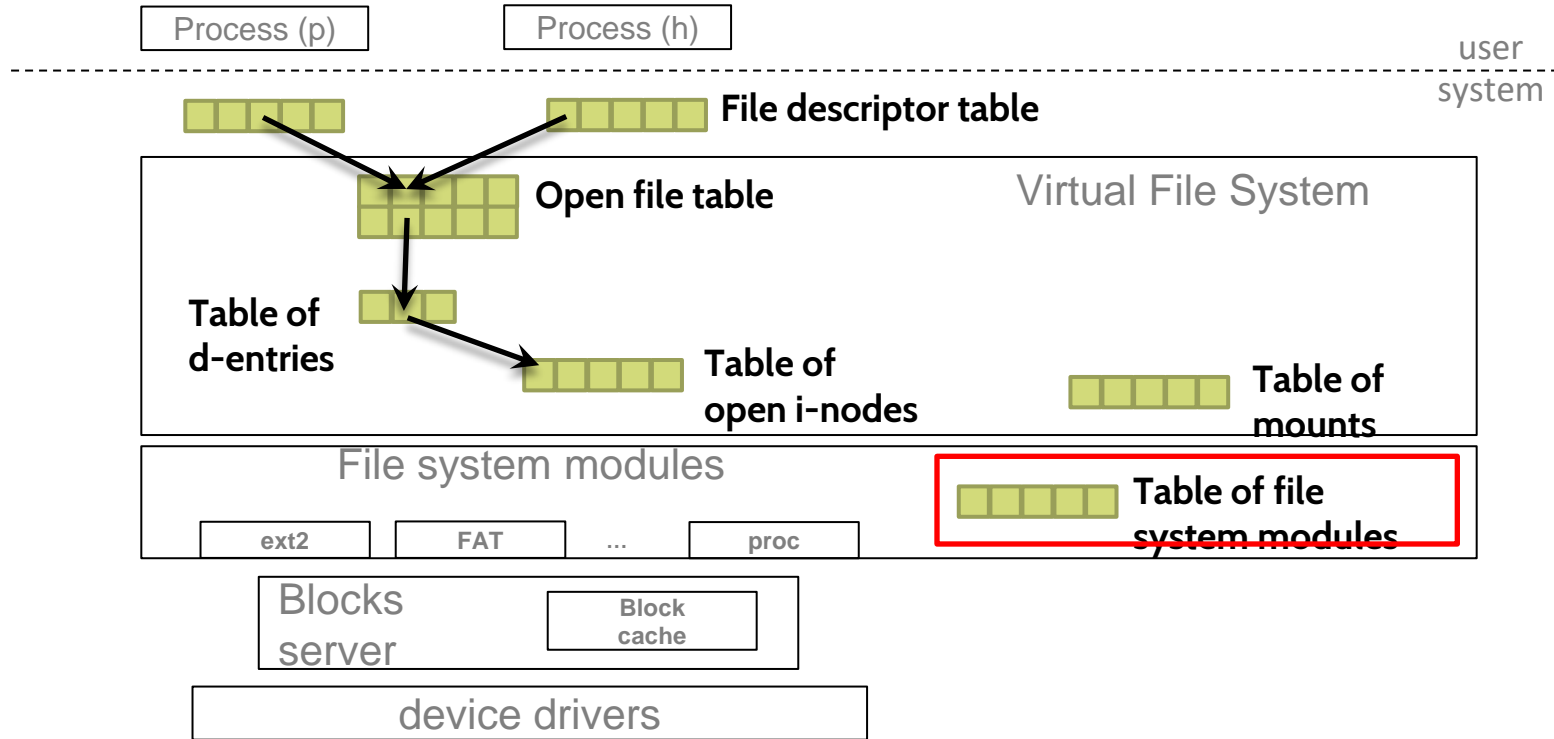
# Main goals

## (for a Unix-like file system)

---

- ▶ The processes have to use a secure interface, without direct access to the kernel representation.
- ▶ To share the file offset among process from the same parent that open the file.
- ▶ To have a working session with the file/directory in order to update the information that it contains.
- ▶ Go back and forth in the file system directory tree.
- ▶ Offer persistency of user data, seeking to minimize the impact on the performance and the space needed for the metadata.
- ▶ Keep track of the file systems registered in the kernel, and keep track of the mount points of these file systems.

# Main management structures



# Main management structures

## File system table: Linux



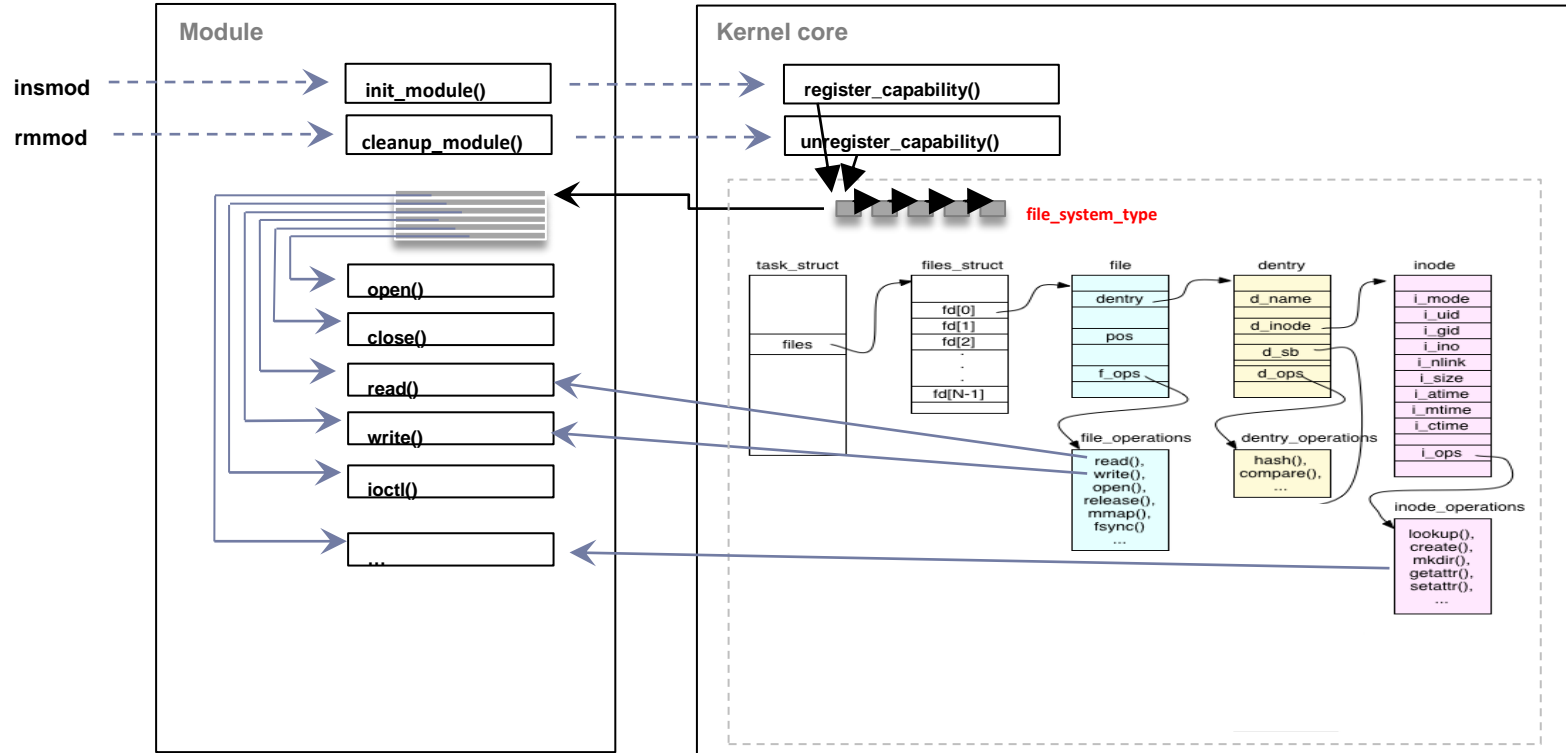
`file_systems` → **struct file\_system\_type** {

```
    const char *name;  
    int      fs_flags;  
    struct dentry *(*mount) (struct file_system_type *,  
                             int, const char *, void *);  
    void      (*kill_sb) (struct super_block *);  
    struct module      *owner;  
    struct file_system_type *next;  
    struct list_head      fs_supers;  
    struct lock_class_key  s_lock_key;  
    ...  
}
```

The diagram shows a variable `file_systems` in purple text with two arrows pointing to the `struct file_system_type` definition. One arrow points to the opening curly brace, and the other points to the `*next` field, indicating a linked list structure.

# Main management structures

## File system table: Linux





# Main management structures

## Table of mounts: Linux



current->namespace->list ↗

```
struct vfsmount {
    struct vfsmount *mnt_parent; /* fs we are mounted on */
    struct dentry   *mnt_mountpoint; /* dentry of mountpoint */
    struct dentry   *mnt_root; /* root of the mounted tree */
    struct super_block *mnt_sb; /* pointer to superblock */
    struct list_head mnt_hash;
    struct list_head mnt_mounts; /* list of children, anchored here */
    struct list_head mnt_child; /* and going through their mnt_child */
    struct list_head mnt_list;
    atomic_t         mnt_count;
    int              mnt_flags;
    char             *mnt_devname; /* Device name, e.g. /dev/hda1 */
};
```

# Main management structures

## Superblock table: Linux



```
struct super_block {
```

```
    dev_t                s_dev;  
    unsigned long        s_blocksize;  
    struct file_system_type *s_type;  
    struct super_operations *s_op;  
    struct dentry         *s_root;  
    ...  
};
```

current->namespace->list-  
>mnt\_sb  
↑

# Main management structures

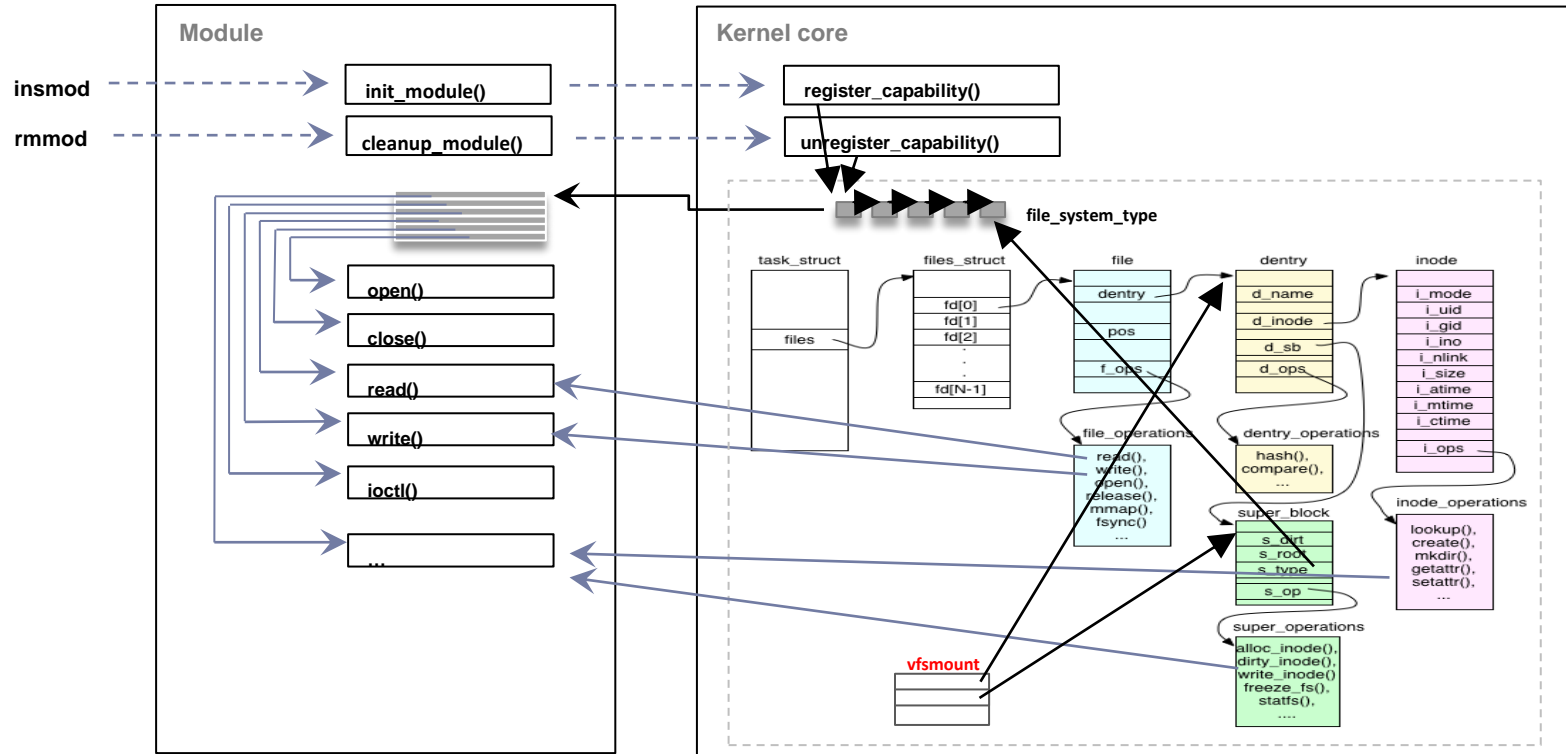
## Superblock table: Linux



```
struct super_operations {  
    struct inode *(*alloc_inode)(struct super_block  
        *sb);  
    void (*destroy_inode)(struct inode *);  
    void (*read_inode) (struct inode *);  
    void (*dirty_inode) (struct inode *);  
    void (*write_inode) (struct inode *, int);  
    void (*put_inode) (struct inode *);  
    void (*drop_inode) (struct inode *);  
    void (*delete_inode) (struct inode *);  
    void (*clear_inode) (struct inode *);  
  
    void (*put_super) (struct super_block *);  
    void (*write_super) (struct super_block *);  
    int (*sync_fs)(struct super_block *sb, int wait);  
    void (*write_super_lockfs) (struct super_block *);  
    void (*unlockfs) (struct super_block *);  
    int (*statfs) (struct super_block *, struct statfs *);  
    int (*remount_fs) (struct super_block *, int *, char *);  
    void (*umount_begin) (struct super_block *);  
    int (*show_options)(struct seq_file *, struct vfsmount  
        *);  
};
```

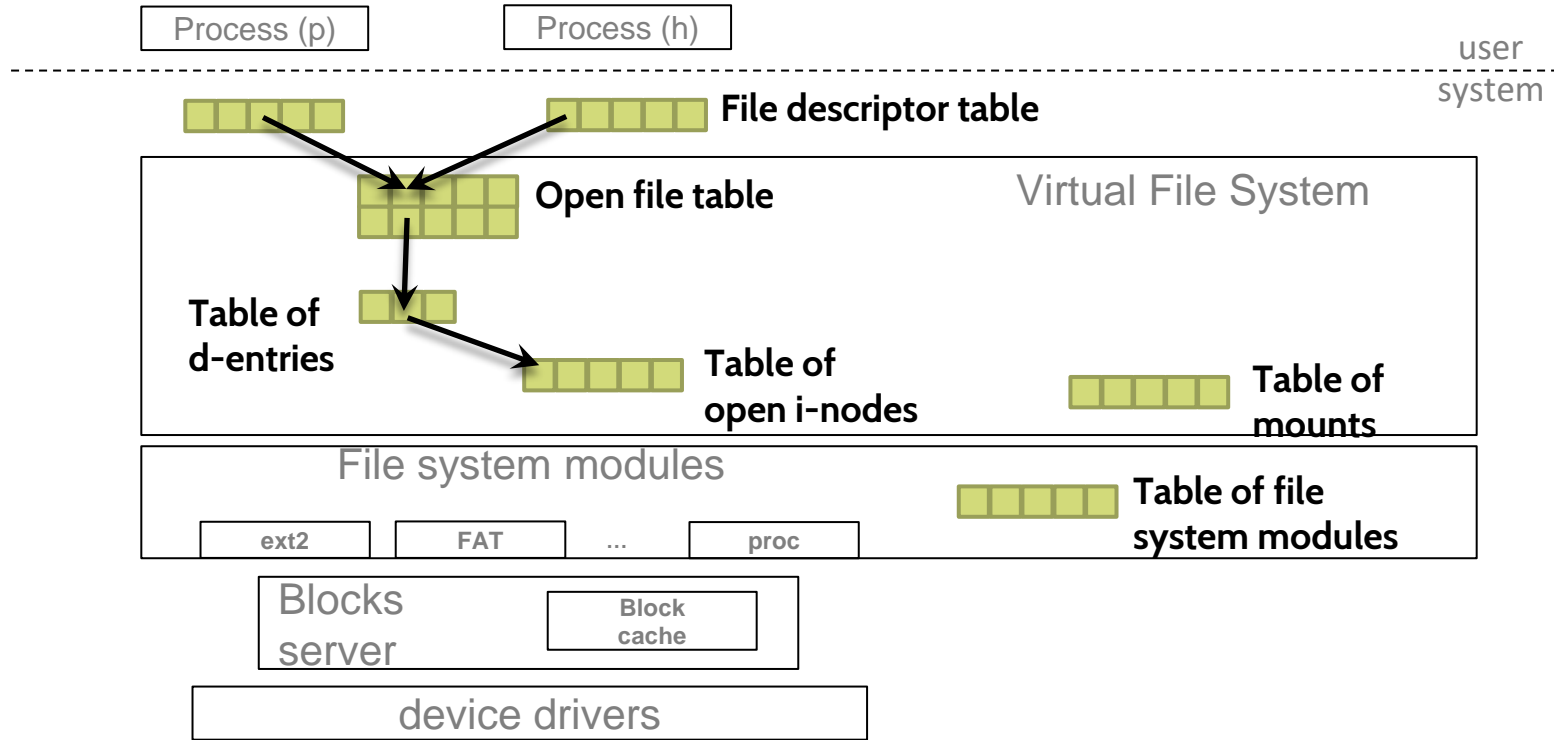
# Main management structures

## Table of mounts: Linux



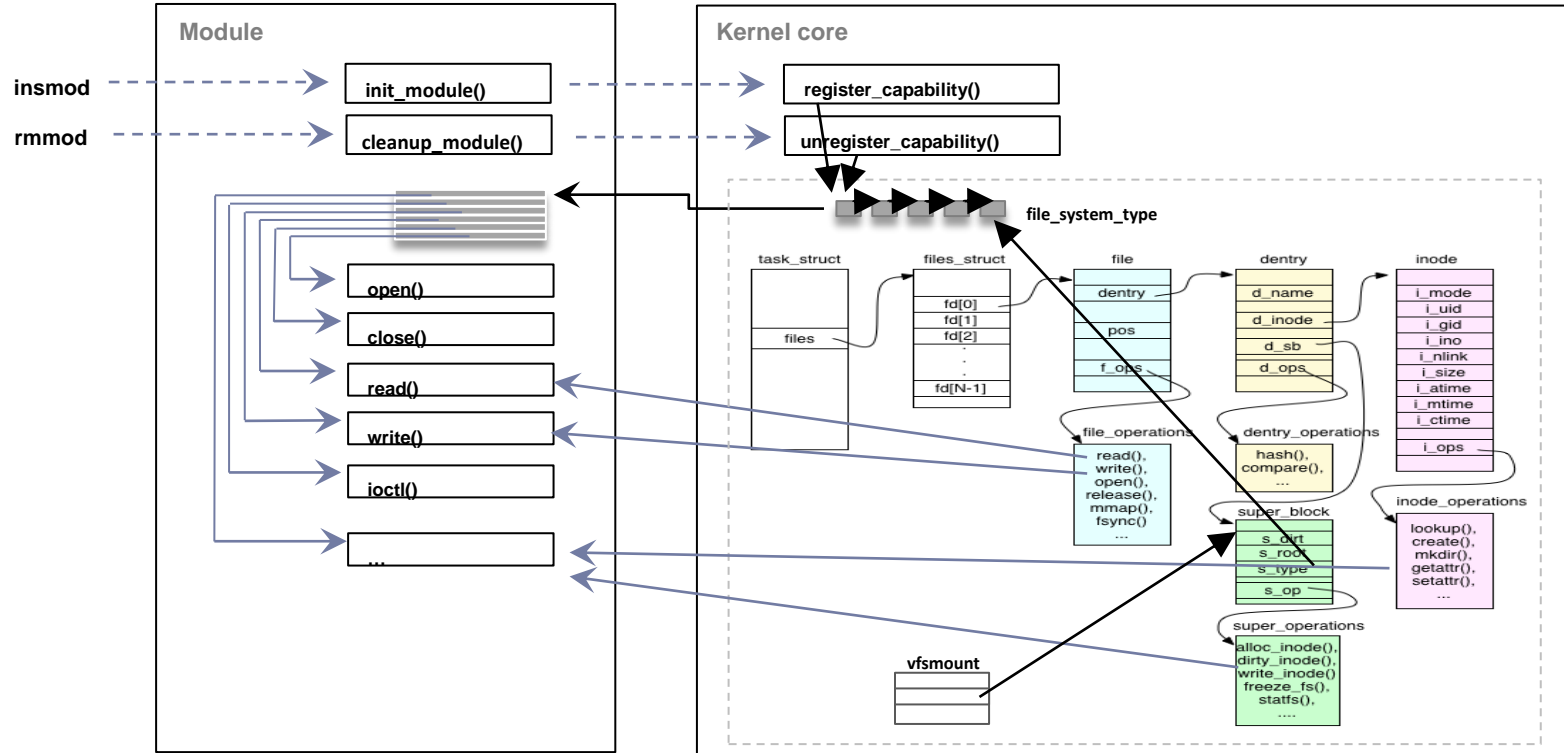
# Main management structures

## summary



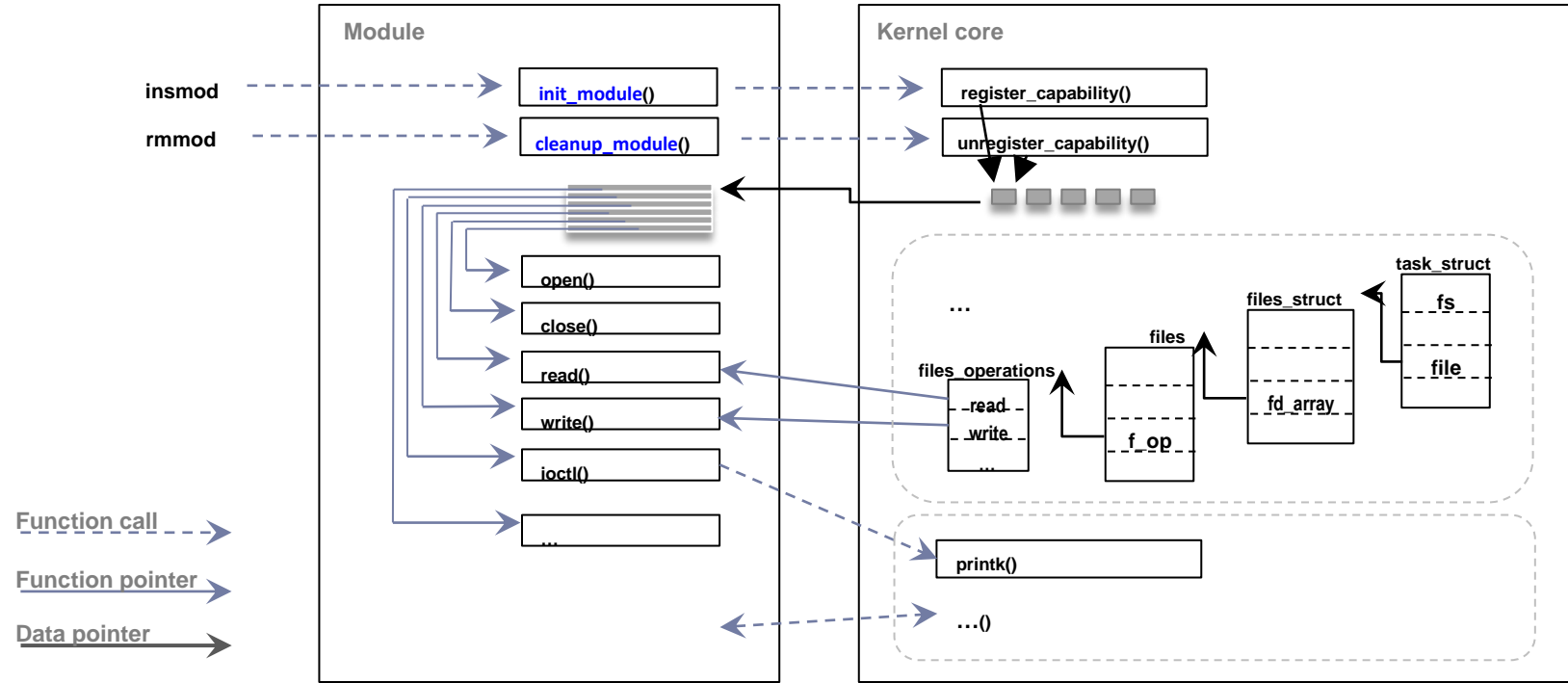
# Main management structures

## summary



# Main management structures

## summary (usage)



# Main goals

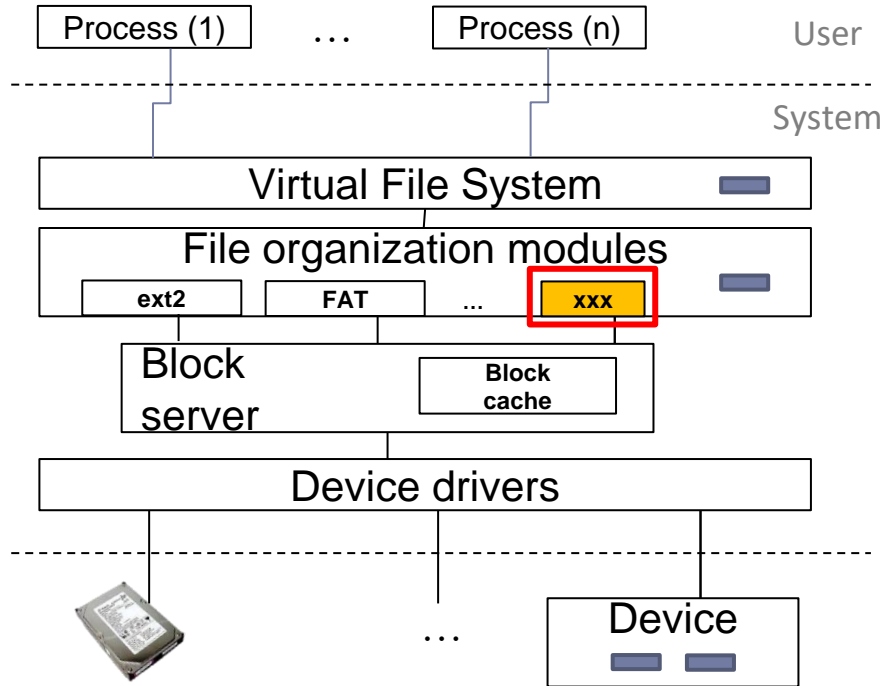
## (for a Unix-like file system)

---

- ✓ ☐ The processes have to use a secure interface, without direct access to the kernel representation.
- ✓ ☐ To share the file offset among process from the same parent that open the file.
- ✓ ☐ To have a working session with the file/directory in order to update the information that it contains.
- ✓ ☐ Go back and forth in the file system directory tree.
- ✓ ☐ Offer persistency of user data, seeking to minimize the impact on the performance and the space needed for the metadata.
- ✓ ☐ Keep track of the file system registered in the kernel, and keep track of the mount points of these file systems.

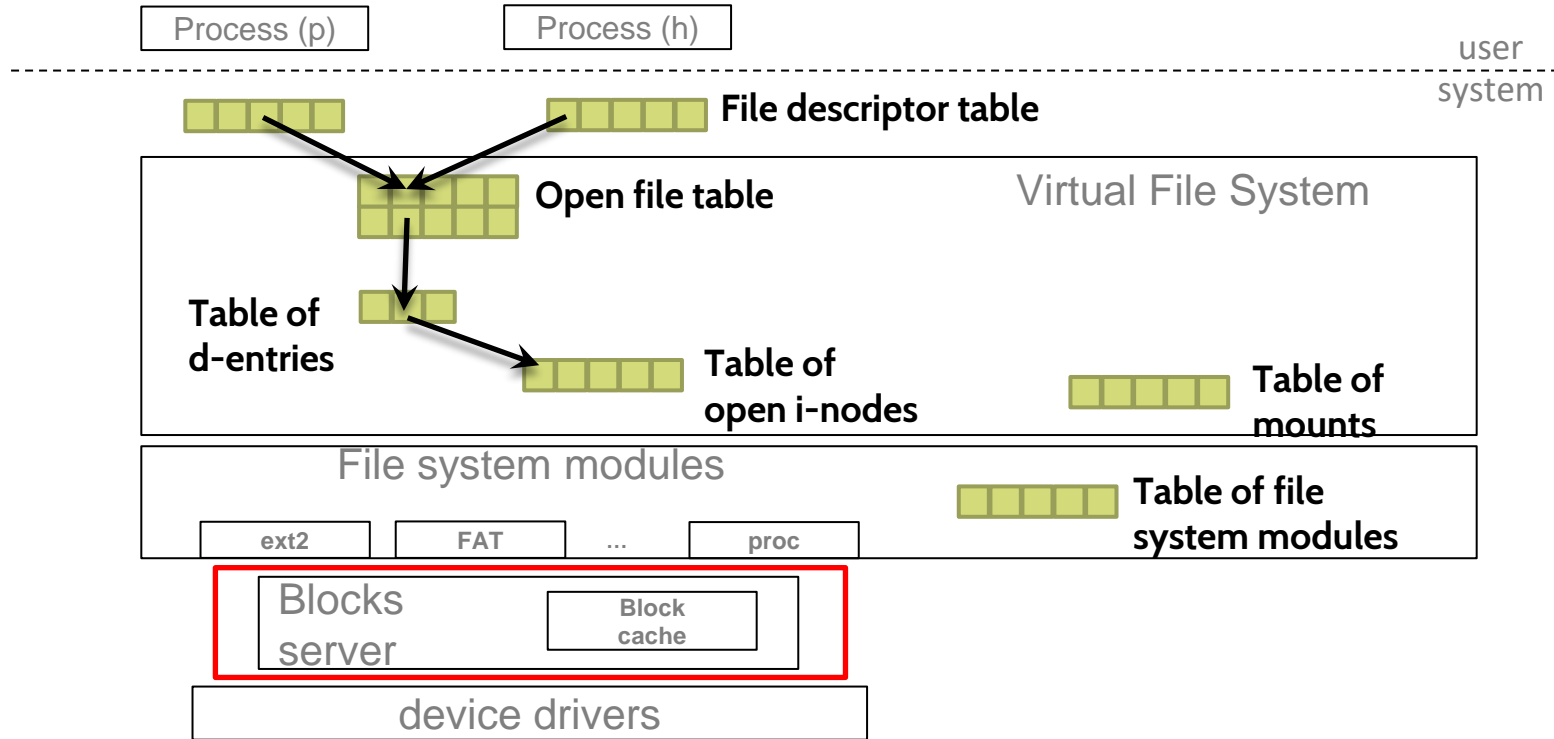


# Design and development of a file system



- File system requirements
- Main data structures in the secondary memory
- Main data structures in the main memory
- **Block management**
- Internal (and service) functions

# Main management structures



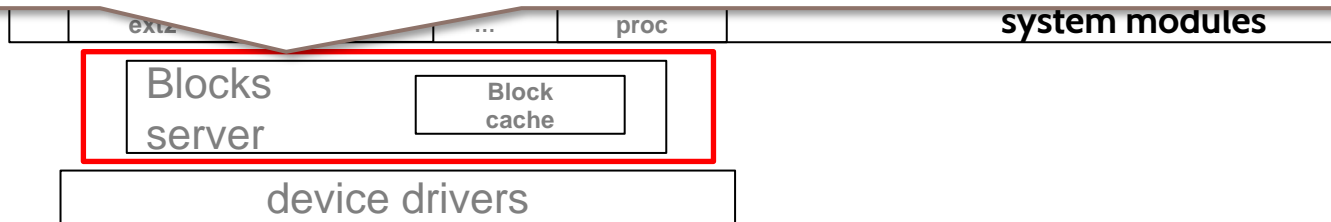
# Main management structures

Process (p)

Process (h)

user  
system

- ▶ **getblk**: find/reserve in cache a v-node block with its offset and size.
- ▶ **brelease**: to free a buffer and to insert it into the free list.
- ▶ **bwrite**: to write a cache block to the disk.
- ▶ **bread**: to read a disk block and store it in cache.
- ▶ **breada**: to read a block (and the following one) from disk to cache.



# Block server

---

▶ It is responsible for:

▶ Issuing commands to read and write device drivers blocks  
(by using the specific device routines)

▶ Optimizing the I/O requests.

▶ E.g.: Block cache.

▶ Offering a logical device namespace.

▶ E.g.: /dev/hda3 (third partition of the first disk)

# Block server

---

## ▶ General behavior:

### ▶ If the block is in the cache

- ▶ Copy the content (and update the block usage metadata)

### ▶ If it is not in the cache

- ▶ To read the block from the device and store it in cache
- ▶ To copy the content (and to update the block metadata)
- ▶ If the block has been modified (*dirty*)
  - Cache write policy
- ▶ If the cache is full, it is necessary get some free slots
  - Cache replacement policy

# Block server

---

## ▶ General behavior:

### ▶ If the block is in the cache

- **Read-ahead:**
  - Read the following blocks into the cache (in order to improve the performance on sequential accesses)

▶ To read the block from the device and store it in cache

▶ To copy the content (and to update the block metadata)

▶ If the block has been modified (*dirty*)

- Cache write policy

▶ If the cache is full, it is necessary get some free slots

- Cache replacement policy

# Block server

---

## ► General behavior:

- **write-through:**
  - Each time a block is modified it is also flushed to disk (lower performance)
- **write-back:**
  - The blocks are flushed to disk only when the block has to be evicted from the cache and it was dirty (better performance but reliability problems)
- **delayed-write:**
  - The modified blocks are saved to disk periodically (e.g., every 30 seconds in Unix) (trade-off for the former options)
- **write-on-close:**
  - When the file descriptor is closed, all file blocks are flushed to disk.

## ► If the block has been modified (*dirty*)

- Cache write policy

## ► If the cache is full, it is necessary get some free slots

- Cache replacement policy

# Block server

---

## ▶ General behavior:

### ▶ If the block is in the cache

- ▶ To copy the content (and to update the block usage metadata)

### ▶ If it is not in the cache

- ▶ To read the block from the device into the cache

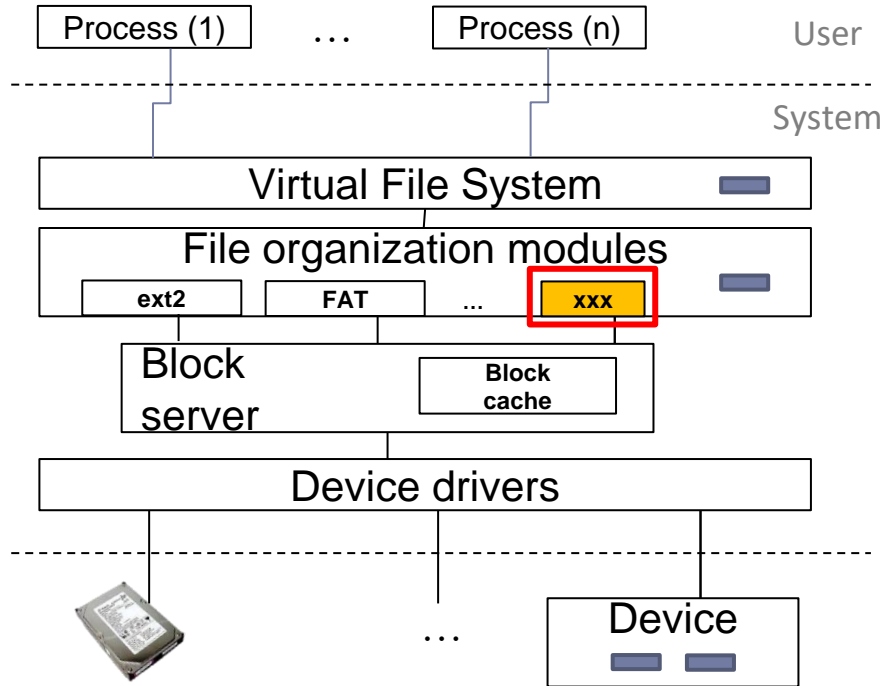
- **FIFO** (*First in First Out*)
- **Clock algorithm** (*Second opportunity*)
- **MRU** (*Most Recently Used*)
- **LRU** (*Least Recently Used*)

### ▶ If the cache is full, it is necessary get some free slots

- Cache replacement policy



# Design and development of a file system



- File system requirements
- Main data structures in the secondary memory
- Main data structures in the main memory
- Block management
- **Internal (and service) functions**

# Example of management routines

File system syscalls

Descriptors	namei usage		i-node alloc.	File Attr.	I/O	File Sys.	View
open	open	stat	creat	chown	read	mount	chdir
creat	creat	link	mknod	chmod	write	umount	chroot
dup	chdir	unlink	link	stat	lseek		
pipe	chroot	mknod	unlink				
close	chown	mount					
	chmod	umount					

Low level algorithms of the file system

namei	ialloc	alloc	
iget	ifree	free	bmap

d-entries

montajes

file pointers

open files

in-use inodes

file system modules

Block/cache management algorithms

getblk	brelse	bread	breada	bwrite
--------	--------	-------	--------	--------



# Example of management routines

File system syscalls

Descriptors	namei usage		i-node alloc.	File Attr.	I/O	File Sys.	View
open	open	stat	creat	chown	read	mount	chdir
creat	creat	link	mknod	chmod	write	umount	chroot
dup	chdir	unlink	link	stat	lseek		
pipe	chroot	mknod	unlink				
close	chown	mount					
	chmod	umount					

Low level algorithms of the file system

namei	ialloc	alloc	
iget	ifree	free	bmap
iput			

d-entries

file pointers

open files

in-use inodes

Block/cache management

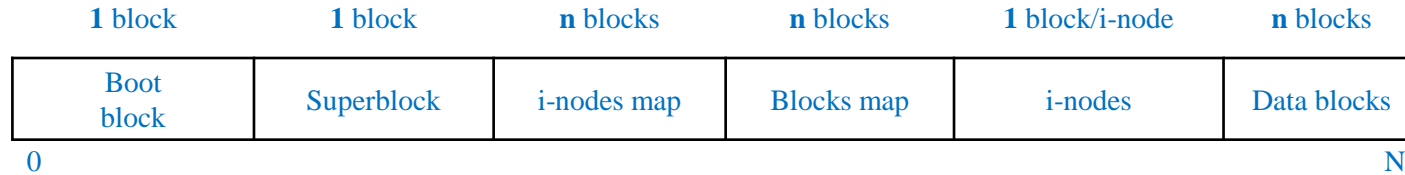
getblk	breise	bre	bwrite
--------	--------	-----	--------

## 1. Design the disk data structures & layout



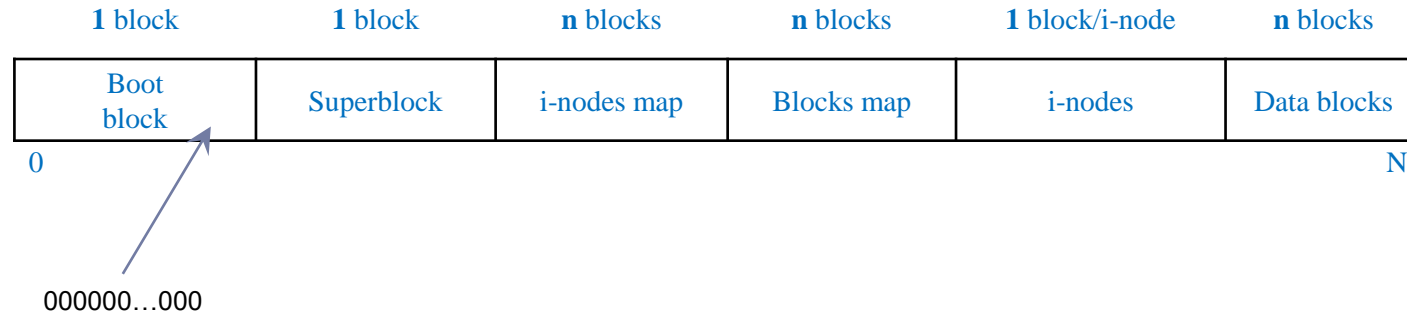
# Example of disk organization

---

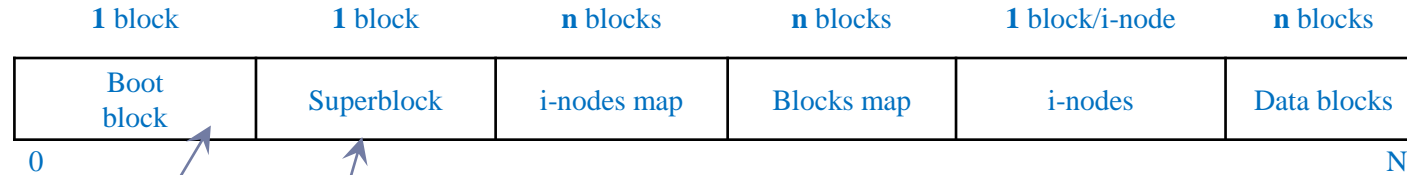


# Example of disk organization

---



# Example of disk organization

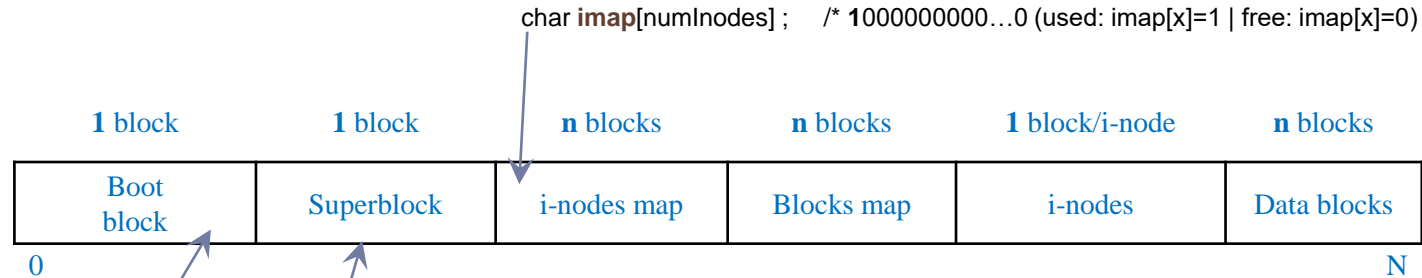


000000...000

```
typedef struct {
    unsigned int magicNumber;           /* Supeblock magic number: 0x000D5500 */
    unsigned int numBlocksInodeMap;      /* Number of blocks of the inode map */
    unsigned int numBlocksBlockMap;      /* Number of blocks of the data map */
    unsigned int numInodes;              /* Number of inodes on the device */
    unsigned int firstInode;              /* Block number of the first inode on the device (root inode) */
    unsigned int numDataBlocks;          /* Number of data blocks on the device */
    unsigned int firstDataBlock;         /* Block number of the first block */
    unsigned int deviceSize;             /* Total device size in bytes */
    char padding[992];                   /* Padding for filling a block */
} SuperblockType;
```

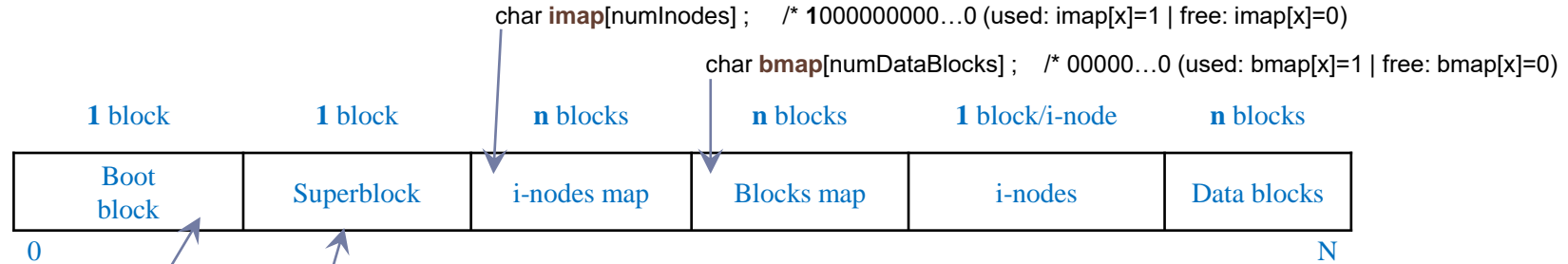


# Example of disk organization



```
typedef struct {
    unsigned int magicNumber; /* Supeblock magic number: 0x000D5500 */
    unsigned int numBlocksInodeMap; /* Number of blocks of the inode map */
    unsigned int numBlocksBlockMap; /* Number of blocks of the data map */
    unsigned int numInodes; /* Number of inodes on the device */
    unsigned int firstInode; /* Block number of of the first inode on the device (root inode) */
    unsigned int numDataBlocks; /* Number of data blocks on the device */
    unsigned int firstDataBlock; /* Block number of the first block */
    unsigned int deviceSize; /* Total device size in bytes */
    char padding[992]; /* Padding for filling a block */
} SuperblockType;
```

# Example of disk organization

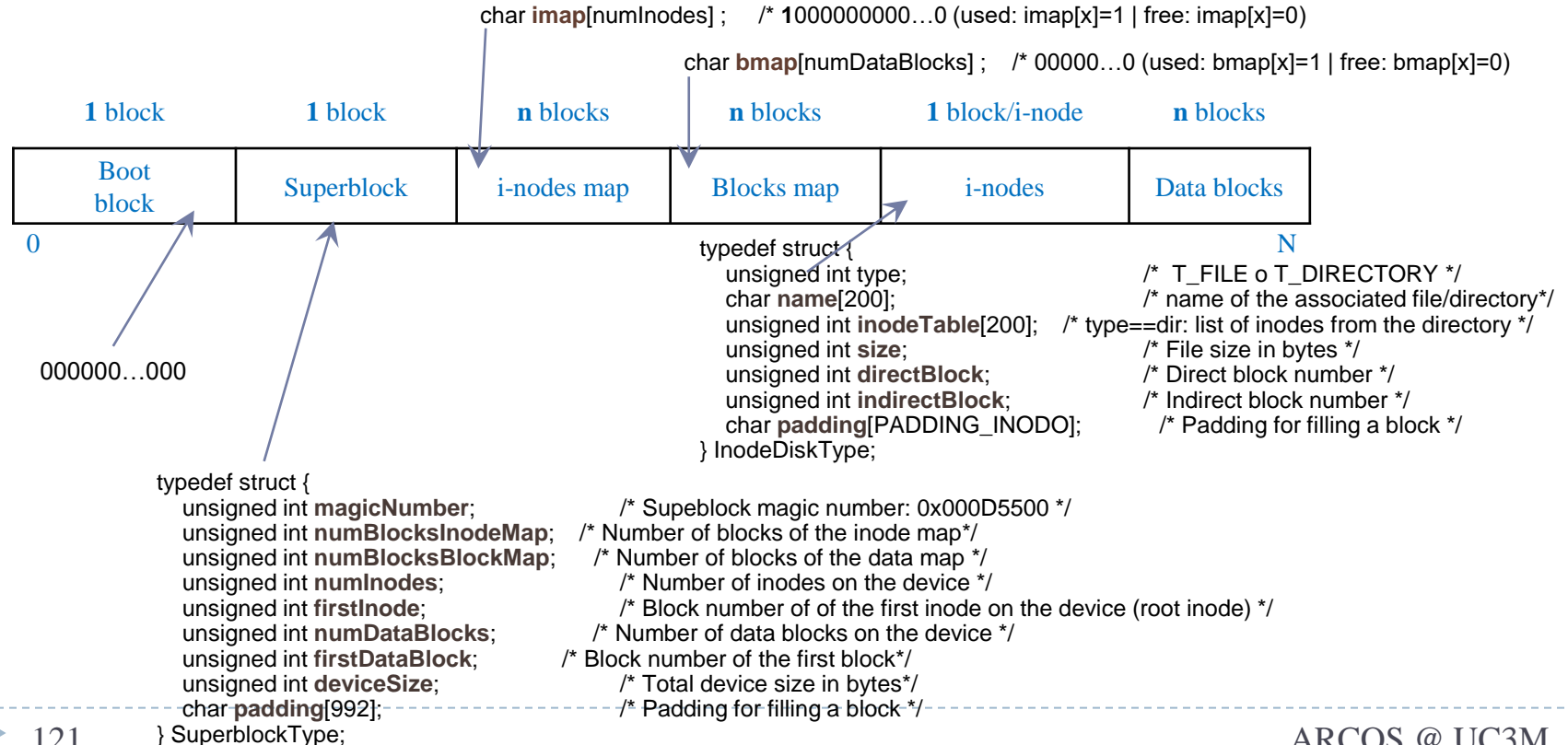


000000...000

```
typedef struct {
    unsigned int magicNumber;          /* Supeblock magic number: 0x000D5500 */
    unsigned int numBlocksInodeMap;    /* Number of blocks of the inode map */
    unsigned int numBlocksBlockMap;   /* Number of blocks of the data map */
    unsigned int numInodes;           /* Number of inodes on the device */
    unsigned int firstInode;           /* Block number of of the first inode on the device (root inode) */
    unsigned int numDataBlocks;       /* Number of data blocks on the device */
    unsigned int firstDataBlock;      /* Block number of the first block */
    unsigned int deviceSize;          /* Total device size in bytes */
    char padding[992];                /* Padding for filling a block */
} SuperblockType;
```



# Example of disk organization



# Example of management routines

## File system syscalls

Descriptors	namei usage	i-node alloc.	File Attr.	I/O	File Sys.	View
open	open stat	creat	chown	read	mount	chdir
pipe	chown mount	unlink	stat			
close	chmod umount					

## 2. Design in-memory data structures

### Low level algorithms of the file system

namei	ialloc	alloc	bmap
iget iput	ifree	free	



### Block/cache management algorithms

getblk	brelse	bread	breada	bwrite
--------	--------	-------	--------	--------



# Example of variables...

---



```
// Information read from disk
SuperblockType sBlocks [1] ;
char imap [numInodes] ;
char dbmap [numDataBlocks] ;
InodeDiskType inodos [numInodes] ;

// Additional in-memory Information
struct {
    int file_pointer;
    int open;
} inmemory_inode_table [numInodes] ;
```

# Example of management routines

File system syscalls

Descriptors	namei usage		i-node alloc.	File Attr.	I/O	File Sys.	View
open	open	stat	creat	chown	read	mount	chdir
creat	creat	link	mknod	chmod	write	umount	chroot
dup	chdir	unlink	link	stat	lseek		
pipe	chroot	mknod					
close							

## 3. Design *mount+umount* and the *mkfs* tool...

Low level algorithms of the file system

namei	ialloc	alloc		bmap
iget	iput	ifree	free	

d-entries

montajes

file pointers

open files

in-use inodes

file system modules

Block/cache management algorithms

getblk	brelse	bread	breada	bwrite
--------	--------	-------	--------	--------





# Example: mount

---

```
int mount ( void )
{
    // To read 0 block from disk into sBlocks[0]
    bread(DISK, 0, &(sBlocks[0]) );

    // To read the i-node map from disk
    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numBlocksInodeMap; i++)
        bread(DISK, 1+i, ((char *)imap + i*BLOCK_SIZE) );

    // To read the block map from disk
    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numBlocksBlockMap; i++)
        bread(DISK, 1+i+sBlocks[0].numBlocksInodeMap, ((char *)dbmap + i*BLOCK_SIZE);

    // To read the i-nodes to main memory
    for (int=0; i<(sBlocks[0].numInodes*sizeof(InodeDiskType)/BLOCK_SIZE); i++)
        bread(DISK, i+sBlocks[0].firstInode, ((char *)inodes + i*BLOCK_SIZE);

    return 1;
}
```



# Example: umount

---

```
int umount ( void )
{
    // To write block 0 from sBlocks[0] into disk
    bwrite(DISK, 0, &(sBlocks[0]) );

    // To write the i-node map to disk
    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numBlocksInodeMap; i++)
        bwrite(DISK, 1+i, ((char *)imap + i*BLOCK_SIZE) );

    // To write the block map to disk
    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numBlocksBlockMap; i++)
        bwrite(DISK, 1+i+sBlocks[0].numBlocksInodeMap, ((char *)dbmap + i*BLOCK_SIZE);

    // To write the i-nodes to disk
    for (int=0; i<(sBlocks[0].numInodes*sizeof(InodeDiskType)/BLOCK_SIZE); i++)
        bwrite(DISK, i+sBlocks[0].firstInode, ((char *)inodes + i*BLOCK_SIZE);

    return 1;
}
```

# Example: mkfs



```
int mkfs ( void )
{
    // setup with default values the superblock, maps, and i-nodes
    sBlocks[0].magicNumber = 1234;
    sBlocks[0].numInodes = 50;
    ...
    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numInodes; i++)
        imap[i] = 0; // free
    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numDataBlocks; i++)
        bmap[i] = 0; // free
    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numInodes; i++)
        memset(&(inodos[i]), 0, sizeof(InodeDiskType) );

    // to write the default file system into disk
    umount();

    return 1;
}
```



# Example of management routines

File system syscalls

Descriptors	namei usage		i-node alloc.	File Attr.	I/O	File Sys.	View
open	open	stat	creat	chown	read	mount	chdir
creat	creat	link	mknod	chmod	write	umount	chroot
dup	chdir	unlink	link	stat	lseek		
pipe	chroot	mknod	unlink				
close	chown	mount					
	chmod	umount					

Low level algorithms of the file system

namei	ialloc	alloc	bmap
iget iput	ifree	free	

d-entries

montajes

file pointers

open files

in-use inodes

file system modules

4. To design the (internal) management routines
  - Read/write to/from disk into the in-memory data structures



# Management routines

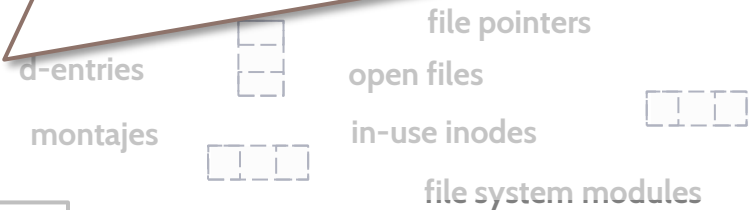
- ▶ **namei**: convert the full path into the associated i-node.
- ▶ **iget**: return a i-node (from the i-node table), and it can read from secondary memory, into a free element from the i-node table.
- ▶ **iput**: free an i-node from the i-node table, and if it is necessary then to update in secondary memory.
- ▶ **ialloc**: allocate an i-node for a file.
- ▶ **ifree**: free an i-node previously allocated for the file.

Low level algorithms of the file system

namei	ialloc	alloc	
iget	ifree	free	bmap

Block/cache management algorithms

getblk	brelse	bread	breada	bwrite
--------	--------	-------	--------	--------



# Management routines

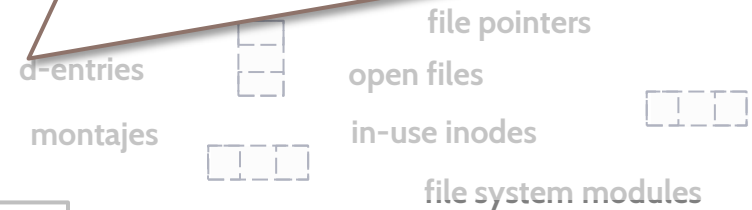
- ▶ **bmap**: to compute the disk block associated with a given file offset. Translate logical address (file offset) into physical address (disk block).
- ▶ **alloc**: to allocate a free block for the file.
- ▶ **free**: to free a previously allocated block.

Low level algorithms of the file system

namei	ialloc	alloc	
iget	iput	free	bmap
	ifree		

Block/cache management algorithms

getblk	brelse	bread	breada	bwrite
--------	--------	-------	--------	--------



# Example: ialloc y alloc



```
int ialloc ( void )
{
    // to search for a free i-node
    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numInodes; i++)
    {
        if (imap[i] == 0) {
            // i-node busy right now
            imap[i] = 1;
            // default values for the i-node
            memset(&(inodes[i]),0,
                sizeof(InodeDiskType));
            // return the i-node identification
            return i;
        }
    }

    return -1;
}
```

```
int alloc ( void )
{
    char b[BLOCK_SIZE];

    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numDataBlocks; i++)
    {
        if (bmap[i] == 0) {
            // busy block right now
            bmap[i] = 1;
            // default values for the block
            memset(b, 0, BLOCK_SIZE);
            bwrite(DISK, i, b);
            // it returns the block id
            return i;
        }
    }

    return -1;
}
```

# Example: ifree y free



```
int ifree ( int inode_id )
{
    // to check the inode_id vality
    if (inode_id > sBlocks[0].numInodes)
        return -1;

    // free i-node
    imap[inode_id] = 0;

    return -1;
}
```

```
int free ( int block_id )
{
    // to check inode_id the vality
    if (block_id > sBlocks[0].numDataBlocks)
        return -1;

    // free block
    bmap[block_id] = 0;

    return -1;
}
```

# Example: namei y bmap



```
int namei ( char *fname )
{
    // search the inode with name fname
    for (int=0; i<sBlocks[0].numInodes; i++)
    {
        if (! strcmp(inodos[i].name, fname))
            return i;
    }

    return -1;
}
```

```
int bmap ( int inode_id, int offset )
{
    int b[BLOCK_SIZE/4];

    // check the validity of inode_id
    if (inode_id > sBlocks[0].numInodes)
        return -1;

    // find the associated data block
    if (offset < BLOCK_SIZE)
        return inodos[inode_id].directBlock;
    if (offset < BLOCK_SIZE*BLOCK_SIZE/4) {
        read(DISK, inodos[inode_id].indirectBlock, b);
        offset = (offset - BLOCK_SIZE) / BLOCK_SIZE;
        return b[offset] ;
    }

    return -1;
}
```

# Example of management routines

File system syscalls

Descriptors	namei usage		i-node alloc.	File Attr.	I/O	File Sys.	View
open	open	stat	creat	chown	read	mount	chdir
creat	creat	link	mknod	chmod	write	umount	chroot
dup	chdir	unlink	link	stat	lseek		
pipe	chroot	mknod	unlink				
close	chown	mount					
	chmod	umount					

Low level algorithms of the file system

file pointers

5. Develop the file system routines for system calls

Block/c

getblk brelse bread breada bwrite



# Management routines

File system syscalls

descriptore	namei usage		i-nodes alloc.	File Attr.	I/O	File Sys.	View
open	open	stat	creat	chown	read	mount	chdir
creat	creat	link	mknod	chmod	write	umount	chroot
dup	chdir	unlink	link	stat	lseek		
pipe	chroot	mknod	unlink				
close	chown	mount					
	chmod	umount					

Low level algorithms of the file system

namei	ialloc	alloc	
iget	ifree	free	bmap

file pointers

d-entries

open files

mount

i-nodes



- ▶ **open:** find the associated i-node for the file name, ...
- ▶ **read:** find the data block, read the data block, ...
- ▶ **write:** find the data block, write the data block, ...
- ▶ ...

# Example: open y close



```
int open ( char *name )
{
    int inode_id ;

    inode_id = namei(name) ;
    if (inode_id < 0)
        return inode_id ;

    inmemory_inode_table[inode_id].file_pointer = 0;
    inmemory_inode_table[inode_id].open  = 1;

    return inode_id;
}
```

```
int close ( int fd )
{
    if (fd < 0)
        return fd ;

    inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer = 0;
    inmemory_inode_table[fd].open  = 0;

    return 1;
}
```



# Example: creat y unlink



```
int creat ( char *name )
{
    int b_id, inode_id ;

    inode_id = ialloc() ;
    if (inode_id < 0) { return -1 ; }
    b_id = alloc();
    if (b_id < 0) { ifree(inode_id); return b_id ; }

    inodos[inode_id].tipo = 1 ; // FILE
    strcpy(inodos[inode_id].name, name);
    inodos[inode_id].directBlock = b_id ;
    inmemory_inode_table[inode_id].file_pointer = 0;
    inmemory_inode_table[inode_id].open  = 1;

    return 1;
}
```

```
int unlink ( char * name )
{
    int inode_id ;

    inode_id = namei(name) ;
    if (inode_id < 0)
        return inode_id ;

    free(inodos[inode_id].directBlock);
    memset(&(inodos[inode_id]),
           0,
           sizeof(InodeDiskType));
    ifree(inode_id) ;

    return 1;
}
```

# Example: read y write



```
int read ( int fd, char *buffer, int size )
{
    char b[BLOCK_SIZE] ;
    int b_id ;

    if (inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer+size > inodos[fd].size)
        size = inodos[fd].size - inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer;
    if (size <= 0)
        return 0;

    b_id = bmap(fd, inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer);
    bread(DISK, b_id, b);
    memmove(buffer,
            b+inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer,
            size);
    inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer += size;

    return 1;
}
```

```
int write ( int fd, char *buffer, int size )
{
    char b[BLOCK_SIZE] ;
    int b_id ;

    if (inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer+size > BLOCK_SIZE)
        size = BLOCK_SIZE - inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer;
    if (size <= 0)
        return 0;

    b_id = bmap(fd, inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer);
    bread(DISK, b_id, b);
    memmove(b+inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer,
            buffer, size);
    bwrite(DISK, b_id, b);
    inmemory_inode_table[fd].file_pointer += size;

    return 1;
}
```

# Management routines

## summary

### File system syscalls

descriptore	namei usage	i-nodes alloc.	File Attr.	I/O	File Sys.	View
open	open	stat	creat	read	mount	chdir
creat	creat	link	chown	write	umount	chroot
dup	chdir	unlink	chmod	lseek		
pipe	chroot	mknod	stat			
close	chown	link				
	chmod	unlink				
	umount					

### Low level algorithms of the file system

namei	ialloc	alloc	bmap
iget	ifree	free	

d-entries

montajes

file pointers

open files

in-use inodes

file system modules

### Block/cache management algorithms

getblk	brelse	bread	breada	bwrite
--------	--------	-------	--------	--------



# Overview

---

1. Introduction
2. File system internals and framework
3. Design and development of a file system
4. **Complementary aspects**

# Advanced features

---

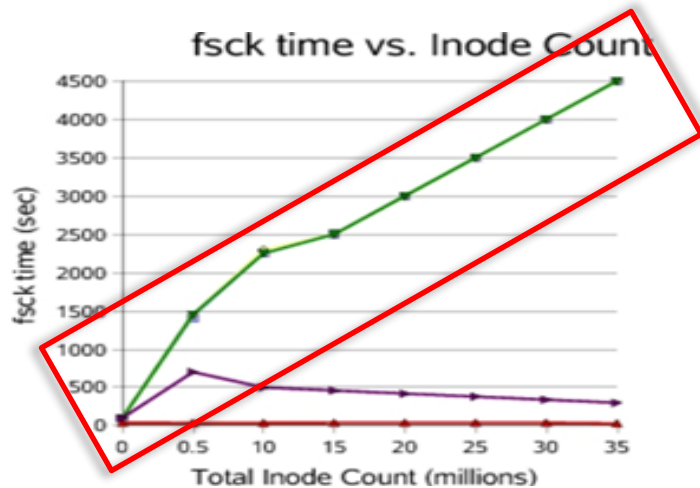


▶ Journaling

▶ Snapshots

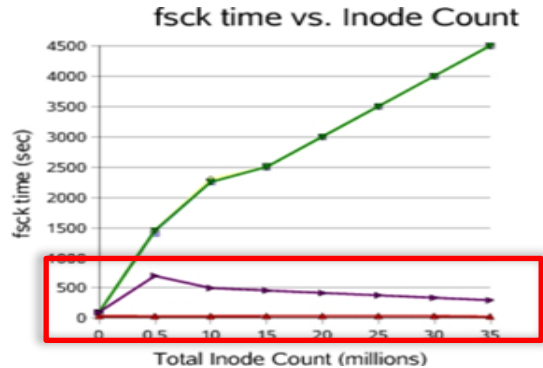
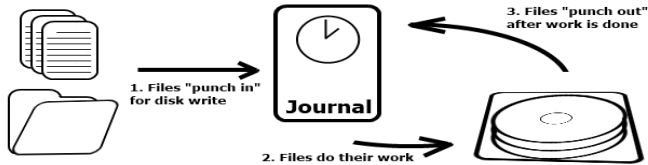
▶ Dynamic file system expansion

# Without *Journaling*



- ▶ If the computer is shut down abruptly, the file system might remain be inconsistent.
- ▶ In order to repair the file system, all metadata has to be reviewed:
  - ▶ The required time depends of the file system size (all the metadata has to be reviewed, the more metadata to be reviewed the more time is needed).

# With Journaling



- ▶ The file system writes the changes in a log before changing the file.
- ▶ If the computer is shut down abruptly, the file system checks has to review the log for the pending changes, and do these changes (commit):
  - ▶ The time needed depends of the number of pending changes in the log, and does not depend on the file system size.
  - ▶ From hours to seconds...

# Advanced features

---



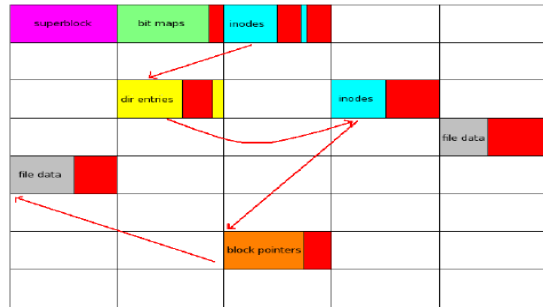
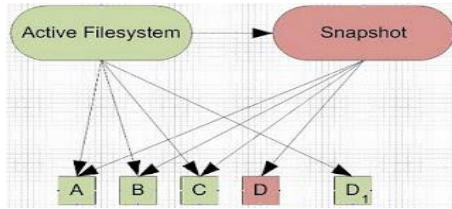
▶ Journaling

▶ Snapshots

▶ Dynamic file system expansion



# Snapshot



- ▶ A Snapshot represents the state of the file system at a point of time:
  - ▶ In a few seconds is done.
  - ▶ It is possible to access to all the file system snapshots on this disk.
- ▶ E.g.: system updates, backups, etc.

# Advanced features

---

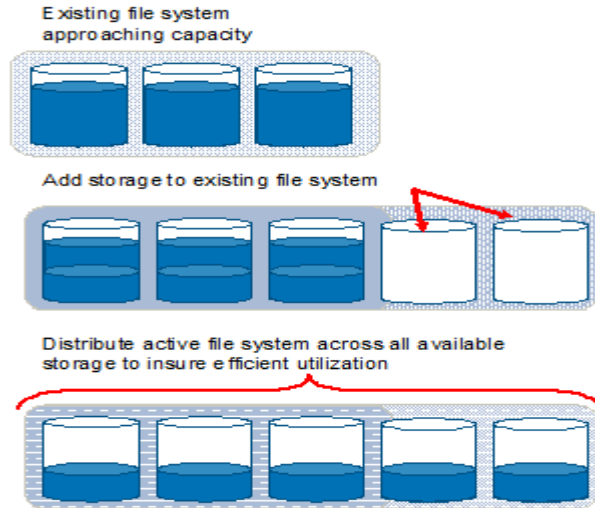


▶ Journaling

▶ Snapshots

▶ Dynamic file system expansion

# Dynamic file system expansion



- ▶ It is important to design the file system in a way that it could be resized (add more space, remove space, etc.) without losing information.
- ▶ Dynamic and flexible structures
- ▶ Metadata is distributed along the disk

ARCOS Group  
Computer Science and Engineering Department  
Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

# Lesson 5

## File Systems

Operating System Design  
Degree in Computer Science and Engineering, Double Degree CS&E + BA

