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/* Write a C program to simulate the file allocation strategies
   a. Sequential   b. Linked */

// Allocate space to files so that disk space is utilized effectively and files can be accessed
// quickly

// Three major methods of allocating disk space: contiguous, linked and indexed

// Commonly, a system uses one method for all files within a file-system type

// List of free block of same size forming free space/hole is maintained
// And a request of size n from a list of free hole is allocated with one of method

// Sequential or Contiguous allocation - each file occupy a set of contiguous blocks on disk,
// idea - no head movement on same sector, unless file saved across cylinders
// Disk seeks required for accessing contiguously allocated files is minimal
// Directory entry for each file indicates the address of the starting block and the length
// of the area allocated for this file

// First fit and best fit are the most common strategies used to select a free hole from the
// set of available holes
// All these algorithms suffer from the problem of external fragmentation - As files are
// allocated and deleted, the free disk space is broken into little pieces
// Compacting , defragmentation

// Linked allocation solves all problems of contiguous allocation
// Each file is a linked list of disk blocks; the disk blocks may be scattered anywhere on
// the disk
// Directory contains a pointer to the first and last blocks of the file
// There is no external fragmentation with linked allocation
// The major problem : can be used effectively only for sequential-access files
// Some amount of block space will be used to save details of next block/pointer
// Collection of blocks as Clusters, but increases internal fragmentation

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
/* Sequential File Allocation : Directory entry for each file has address of the starting
   block and the length of the area allocated for this file, assume content in directory =
   file  start length
   count  0      2
   tr     14     3
   mail   19     6
   list   28     4
   f      6      2 */ // To visualize above allocation - Draw 4 * 7 grid,
// number grid entries from 0 to 31, assign file to respective blocks
struct directoryOfSequentialFileAllocation // Directory entry for each file indicates
{
    char fileName[16]; // Name of file
    int startBlock;    // Address of the starting block
    int length;        // Length of the area allocated for this file
};

int sNumberOfFiles = 5;

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struct directoryOfSequentialFileAllocation sDirEntry[5] = { "count", 0, 2, "tr", 14, 3,
"mail", 19, 6, "list", 28, 4, "f", 6, 2 };//Read number of files and allocation details from user
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/* Linked File Allocation : Directory contains a pointer to the first and last blocks of
the file, assume content in directory =
file  start  end
jeep   9     25 */
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struct directoryOfLinkedFileAllocation // Directory entry for each file indicates
{
    char fileName[16]; // Name of file
    int startBlock;    // Address of the starting block
    int endBlock;      // Address of the ending block
};
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struct directoryOfLinkedFileAllocation lDirEntry[1] = { "jeep", 9, 25 };
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int lNumberOfFiles = 1;
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struct block // Some amount of block space will be used to
{
    // save details of next block/pointer
    int blockNumber;
    struct block *next;
};
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struct block blockEntry[32]; // Assume there are 32 blocks, structure initialization in main()
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int i;
int j;
char fileName[20];
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void searchInSequentialFileAllocation()
{ // Since allocation was completed, search for a file
    printf("\n Enter the file name to be searched : ");
    scanf("%s",fileName);// count, tr, mail, list, f
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    for( i=0; i < sNumberOfFiles; i++ ) // For each file in directory
        if( strcmp( fileName, sDirEntry[i].fileName) == 0 ) // compare with fileName
        { // File is present, print file allocation details
            printf("\nFile name  Start block  Number of Blocks  Blocks occupied");
            printf("\n %s \t\t %d \t\t %d \t\t ", sDirEntry[i].fileName,
                sDirEntry[i].startBlock, sDirEntry[i].length );

            j=0;
            do
            {
                printf("%d ", sDirEntry[i].startBlock + j);
                j++;
            } while( j < sDirEntry[i].length && printf(", ") );

            printf("\n"); return;
        }
    return;
}
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void searchInLinkedFileAllocation()
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{
    int numberOfBlocks = 0;
    printf("\n Enter the file name to be searched : "); //search for a file since allocation
    scanf("%s", fileName); // was completed, search for jeep

    for( i=0; i < lNumberOfFiles; i++ ) // For each file in directory
        if( strcmp( fileName, lDirEntry[i].fileName) == 0 ) // compare with fileName
        { // File is present, print file allocation details
            printf("\nFile name   Start block   End Blocks   Blocks occupied");
            printf("\n %s \t\t %d \t\t %d \t\t", lDirEntry[i].fileName,
                lDirEntry[i].startBlock, lDirEntry[i].endBlock );
            // Using the start location of block, continue till next block is NULL
            struct block *blockPtr = &blockEntry[ lDirEntry[i].startBlock ];
            do
            {
                printf(" %d", blockPtr -> blockNumber ); // print block number
                blockPtr = blockPtr -> next; // get address next block
                numberOfBlocks++;
            } while ( blockPtr != NULL && printf(" -> " ) ); // Or stopping condition
            // can also be blockPtr -> blockNumber != lDirEntry[i].endBlock
            printf("\n Number of blocks occupied = %d\n", numberOfBlocks); return;
        }
    return;
}

int main()
{
    searchInSequentialFileAllocation();

    // Linked Allocation : struct block blockEntry[32];
    // Suppose, a file of five blocks might start at block 9 and continue at block 16
    // then block 1, then block 10, and finally block 25
    // Visualize this by drawing 4*7 grid, number blocks from 0 to 31, let 9 -> 16 ...
    // Each block contains a pointer to the next block, nil (the end-of-list pointer value),
    // signify an empty file, size field is 0
    blockEntry[9].blockNumber = 9; blockEntry[9].next = &blockEntry[16];
    blockEntry[16].blockNumber = 16; blockEntry[16].next = &blockEntry[1];
    blockEntry[1].blockNumber = 1; blockEntry[1].next = &blockEntry[10];
    blockEntry[10].blockNumber = 10; blockEntry[10].next = NULL;

    searchInLinkedFileAllocation();

    return(0);
}

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