- 1. a) 1) 4 inode blocks. 1 for the file c, and 3 for the directdories /, a, b
  - 2) 3 directory blocks one for root /, one for a, the other for b
  - 3) 1 single indirect block as far as we know. The file definitely has more than 12 blocks (# of data blocks pointed by direct pounters), but less than 1036 (# of data blocks pointed by direct pointers and single indirect pointers). We are reading block 1034.
  - 4) 1 data block for file c
  - b) All of the above

### Notes

• Inode



- Is short form of index node
- Describes a file system object such as file or data
- Contains all information about a file/directory, including
  - \* File Type,
  - \* Size
  - \* Number of blocks allocated to it
  - \* Protection information
  - \* Time information (e.g time created, time modified)
  - \* Location of data blocks residing on disk

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- c) Size, the location of data blocks that reside on disk

## **Notes**

• I wonder what information about blocks inode has. Is it total number of blocks both inode and data, or just data?

- I struggled a bit on this one. I should find an easier way to remember which information inode has
- d) Inode Bitmap and Data Block Bitmap
  - (b) Data Leak
  - (c) Inode Leak
  - New Directory Inode
    - (a) No inconsistency
  - Inode Bitmap, Data Block Bitmap, Existing Directory Data, New Directory Inode, and New Directory Data
    - (e) Inconsistent inode data
  - Inode Bitmap, and New Directory Inode
    - (c) Inode leak
    - (d) Multiple file paths may point to same inode
  - New Directory Inode, Existing Directory Inode, Existing Directory Data
    - (e) Inconsistent inode data
    - (f) Something points to garbage

## **Correct Solution**

- Inode Bitmap and Data Block Bitmap
  - (b) Data Leak
  - (c) Inode Leak
- New Directory Inode
  - (a) No inconsistency
- Inode Bitmap, Data Block Bitmap, Existing Directory Data, New Directory Inode, and New Directory Data
  - (e) Inconsistent inode data
- Inode Bitmap, and New Directory Inode
  - (c) Inode leak
- New Directory Inode, Existing Directory Inode, Existing Directory Data

```
(d) - Multiple file paths may point to same inode(f) - Something points to garbage
```

## Notes

- I wonder how system call for reading file/directory works in UNIX. Does it check for bitmap?
- I wonder how system call for deleting file/directory works in UNIX
- I wonder how system call for creatubg file/directory works in UNIX
- Learned that
  - Missing Inode Bitmap multiple file paths may point to same inode
- File API
  - open (create/access file)
    - \* Is a system call
    - \* Reads target inode into memory (when loading)
    - \* Does three things on creation
      - 1) make structure (inode) that racks all relevant information about file
    - 2) link human readible name to the file, and put that link to a directory
    - 3) increment **reference count** in inode
    - \* Syntax:

```
int fd = open("foo". O_CREAT|O_WRONLY|O_TRUNC, S_IRUSR|S_IWUSR)
```

- · O\_CREAT Creates file "foo" if does not exist
- · O\_WRONLY Open file for writing only (default)
- · O\_TRUNC Overwrites existing file Need example/Clarification
- · Can have multiple flags
- \* Returns file descriptor or fd for short
  - · Is an integer
  - · Is used to access a file
  - · Is private per process
  - $\cdot$  Can be used to read() and write() files

```
File can also
                                        File can also
                                                                   File can also
                       File can be read
                                        be written by
                                                      be read by
                                                                   be read by
                       by owner
                                        owner
                                                      group
                                                                   others
#include <fcntl.h>
int fd;
mode t mode = S IRUSR | S IWUSR
                                        S IRGRP
                                                       S IROTH
char *filename = "/tmp/file";
fd = open(filename, O WRONLY | O CREAT | O TRUNC, mode);
. . .
                              Means
                              1. File is Writable AND
                              Create file if doesn't exist AND
                              3. Overwrite file if exists
```

- \* Amount of I/O generated by open () is proportional to length of pathname (wait. How is I/O involved in open()?)
- (read) (read file)
  - \* Is a system call
  - \* Syntax:

```
ssize_t read (int fd, void *buf, size_t count)
```

- · fd file descriptor (from open ())
- · buf container for the read data
- · count number of bytes to read
- \* Returns number of bytes read, if successful
- \* Returns 0 if is at, or past the end of file

```
char buf[4096];
int fd = open("/a/b/c", 0); // open in read-only mode
lseek(fd, 1034*4096, 0); // seek to position (1034*4096) from start of file
read(fd, buf, 4096); // read 4k of data from file
```

```
Return
                                          Current
System Calls
                                  Code
                                           Offset
fd = open("file", O_RDONLY);
                                                0
                                                               read continues
read(fd, buffer, 100);
                                     100
                                              100
                                                               for each call
read(fd, buffer, 100);
                                    100
                                              200
read(fd, buffer, 100);
                                     100
                                              300
read(fd, buffer, 100);
                                      0
                                              300
close(fd);
                                      0
                                                               if at end
```

```
- write (write file)
```

- \* Is a system call
- \* Writes data out of a buffer
- \* Syntax:

```
ssize_t write (int fd, const void * buf, size_t nbytes)
```

- · fd file descriptor
- · buf A pointer to a buffer to write to file
- · nbytes number of bytes to write. If smaller than buffer, the output is truncated

```
#include <unistd.h>
#include <fcntl.h>

int main(void)
{
    int filedesc = open("testfile.txt", O_WRONLY | O_APPEND);

    if (filedesc < 0) {
        return -1;
    }

    if (write(filedesc, "This will be output to testfile.txt\n", 36) != 36) {
        write(2, "There was an error writing to testfile.txt\n", 43);
        return -1;
    }

    return 0;
}</pre>
```

- lseek
  - \* Reads or write to a specific offset within a file
  - \* Syntax:

```
off_t lseek (int fd, off_t offset, int whence)
```

- · fd file descriptor
- · offset the offset of pointer within file (in bytes)
- $\cdot$  whence the method of offset

```
SEEK_SET - offset from the start of file (absolute)
SEEK_CUR - offset from current location + offset bytes (relative)
SEEK_END - offset from the end of file
```

- \* Returns offset amount (in bytes) from the beginning of file
- \* Returns -1 if error

# Example

System Calls	Return Code	Current Offset	move 200  bytes from the
fd = open("file", O_RDONLY);	3	0	start of file
lseek(fd, 200, SEEK_SET);	200	200	Start of file
read(fd, buffer, 50);	50	250	_
close(fd);	0	-	
			read 50 bytes

- rename (update file name)
  - \* Is a system call
  - \* Changes the name of file
  - \* Is atomic (after crash, it will be either old or new, but not in-between)
  - \* Syntax: int rename(const char \*old, const char \*new)
    - · old name of old file
    - · new name of new file
  - \* Returns 0 if successful
  - \* Returns -1 if error

- stat (get file info)
  - \* displays metadata of a certain file stored in **inode**
  - \* Syntax: int stat(const char \*path, struct stat \*buf)
    - · path file descriptor of file that's being inquired
    - · buf A stat structure where data about the file will be stored (see below)

```
struct stat {
  dev_t st_dev;
                          // ID of device containing file
            st_ino;
                         // inode number
  ino t
  mode_t
           st_mode;
                         // protection
                         // number of hard links
// user ID of owner
 nlink_t
            st_nlink;
 uid_t
            st_uid;
                         // group ID of owner
  gid_t
            st_gid;
                         // device ID (if special file)
// total size, in bytes
            st_rdev;
  dev_t
  off_t
            st_size;
 blksize_t st_blksize; // blocksize for filesystem I/O
 blkcnt_t st_blocks; // number of blocks allocated
            st_atime; // time of last access
st_mtime; // time of last modification
  time_t
 time_t
            st_ctime; // time of last status change
  time_t
);
```

Figure 39.5: The stat structure.

## Example

```
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    if(argc != 2)
        return 1;
    struct stat fileStat;
    if(stat(argv[1],&fileStat) < 0)</pre>
        return 1;
    printf("Information for %s\n",argv[1]);
    printf("----\n"):
    printf("File Size: \t\t%d bytes\n",fileStat.st_size);
printf("Number of Links: \t%d\n",fileStat.st_nlink);
    printf("File inode: \t\t%d\n",fileStat.st_ino);
    printf("File Permissions: \t");
    printf( (S_ISDIR(fileStat.st_mode)) ? "d" : "-");
    printf( (fileStat.st_mode & S_IRUSR) ? "r" : "-");
    printf( (fileStat.st_mode & S_IWUSR) ? "w" : "-");
    printf( (fileStat.st_mode & S_IXUSR) ? "x" : "-");
    printf( (fileStat.st_mode & S_IRGRP) ? "r" : "-");
    printf( (fileStat.st_mode & S_IWGRP) ? "w" : "-");
    printf( (fileStat.st_mode & S_IXGRP) ? "x" : "-");
    printf( (fileStat.st_mode & S_IROTH) ? "r" : "-");
printf( (fileStat.st_mode & S_IWOTH) ? "w" : "-");
    printf( (fileStat.st_mode & S_IXOTH) ? "x" : "-");
    printf("\n\n");
    printf("The file %s a symbolic link\n", (S_ISLNK(fileStat.st_mode)) ? "is" : "is not");
    return 0:
}
```

The result of above is:

```
$ ./testProgram testfile.sh

Information for testfile.sh

File Size: 36 bytes
Number of Links: 1
File inode: 180055
File Permissions: -rwxr-xr-x

The file is not a symbolic link
```

- unlink (removing file)
  - Is a system call
  - Removes a file (including symbolic link) from the system
  - Syntax: int unlink(const char \*pathname)
    - \* pathname path to file
  - Returns 0 if successful
  - Returns -1 if error

# Example

```
#include <unistd.h>
char *path = "/modules/pass1";
int status;
...
status = unlink(path);
```

- mkdir (creating directory)
  - Is a system call
  - Syntax: int mkdir(const char \*path, mode\_t mode)
    - \* path path of directory (including name)
    - \* mode permission group
  - Returns 0 if successful
  - Returns -1 if error
  - directories can never be written directly
    - \* directory is in format called File System Metadata
    - \* directory can only be updated directly
  - creates two directories on creation . (current) and . . (parent)

```
#include <sys/types.h>
   #include <sys/stat.h>
   int status;
   status = mkdir("/home/cnd/mod1", S_IRWXU | S_IRWXG | S_IROTH | S_IXOTH);
• opendir, readdir, closedir (reading directory)
   - Are system calls
   - Are under <dirent.h> library
   - Requires struct dirent data structure
              struct dirent {
                char
                             d_name[256]; // filename
                            d_ino; // inode number
                ino_t
                                        // offset to the next dirent
                             d_off;
                off_t
                                         // length of this record
                unsigned short d_reclen;
               unsigned char d_type;
                                         // type of file
   - Syntax (opendir): DIR *opendir(const char *dirname)
     * dirname - directory path
     * Returns a pointer to the directory stream
     * The stream is positioned at the first entry in the directory.
   - Syntax (readdir): struct dirent *readdir(DIR *dirp);
     * dirp - directory stream
     * Returns a pointer to a direct structure representing the next directory entry
       in the directory stream
     * Returns NULL on reaching the end of the directory stream
   - Syntax (closedir): int closedir(DIR *dirp));
     * dirp - directory stream
     * Returns 0 if successful
     * Returns -1 otherwise
     Example
```

- rmdir (Deleting Directories)
  - Removes a directory whose name is given by path
  - Is performed only when directory is empty
  - Is included in <unistd.h> library
  - Fails if is symbolic link
  - Syntax: int rmdir(const char \*path)
    - \* path path of directory
  - Returns 0 if successful
  - Returns -1 if error

# Example

```
#include <unistd.h>
int status;
...
status = rmdir("/home/cnd/mod1");
```

- unlink (Remove file)
  - Remove a link to a file
  - Is called **unlink** because it decrements **reference count** in inode
    - \* Deletes file completely when reference count within the inode number is 0
  - Syntax:

```
#include <unistd.h>
int unlink(const char *pathname);
* pathname - pathname to file
```

- Returns 0 if successful
- Returns -1 if error
- Is used by linux command rm

#### #include <unistd.h>

```
char *path = "/modules/pass1";
int status;
...
status = unlink(path);
```

```
prompt> echo hello > file
prompt> stat file
... Inode: 67158084
                        Links: 1 ...
prompt> ln file file2
prompt> stat file
... Inode: 67158084
                        Links: 2 ...
prompt> stat file2
                        Links: 2 ...
... Inode: 67158084
prompt> ln file2 file3
prompt> stat file
... Inode: 67158084
                        Links: 3 ...
prompt> rm file
prompt> stat file2
                        Links: 2 ...
... Inode: 67158084
prompt> rm file2
prompt> stat file3
... Inode: 67158084
                        Links: 1 ...
prompt> rm file3
```

## • Symbolic Link:

- Is directory entry containing "true" path to the file
- Is a shortcut that reference to a file instead of inode value [2]





# • Hard Link:

- $-\,$  Is a direct reference to a file via its inode  $^{[2]}$
- Is second directory entry identical to first





# • Crash Consistency

- Inode before update

owner : remzi
permissions : read-write
size : 1
pointer : null
pointer : null
pointer : null
i-number

- Inode after update

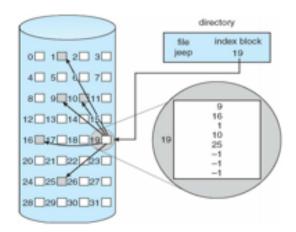
owner : remzi
permissions : read-write
size : 2
pointer : 4
pointer : 5
pointer : null
pointer : null i-number

# References

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- e) a)

## Notes

- What is a sector? What is a sector address?
- How can I get to specific inode from block (e.g inode # 32 on block 2)?
- Index Based File System

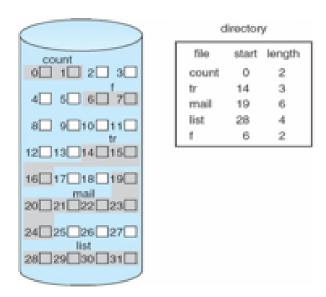


- Has 15 blocks of pointers that points to either inode, indirect pointers, or data block
- No external fragmentation
- Files can be easily grown

# Example

Linux's ext2, ext3

• Extent Based File System



- Requires only a disk pointer + length (in blocks)
- Is also called **contiguous allocation**
- Is simple
- Is less flexible but more compact
- Works well when there is enough free space on the disk and files can be laid out contiguously

# Example

Linux's ext 4

## • inode

- Inode block computation

block number = 
$$(inode #*sizeof(inode))/block size$$
 (1)

# Example

Target: inode #32 Inode Size: 256 bytes Block Size: 4096 bytes

block number = 
$$(inode #*sizeof(inode))/block size$$
 (2)

$$=\frac{32*256}{4096}\tag{3}$$

$$=2 (4)$$

## • superblock

- Contains information about the following
  - \* The number of inodes and data blocks in a particular file system
  - \* The magic number of some knd to identify the file system type
  - \* Where the inode table begins
- Is read first on mount before attaching to file system

## • inode/data bitmap

- Accessed only when allocation/deallocation is needed
  - \* Read()  $\rightarrow$  no bitmap required
- Uses bit to indicate whether the corres object/block is free
  - \* 0 means free
  - \* 1 means in use

# • Reading a File from Disk Example

When

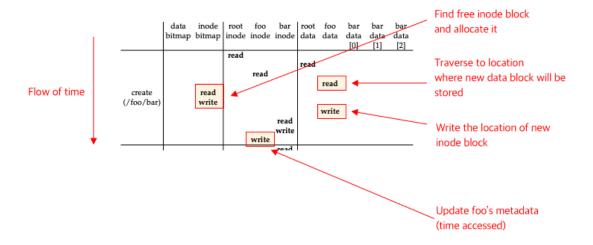
```
open("/foo/bar", O_READONLY)
```

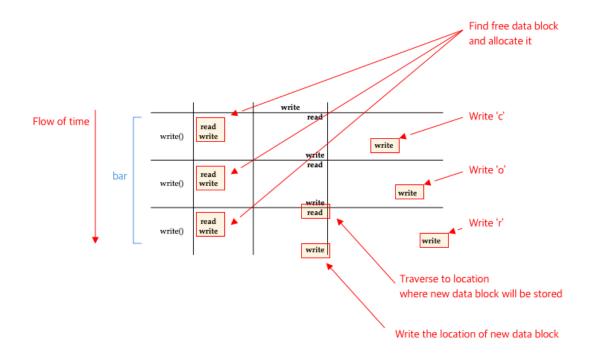
is called

the goal is to find the inode of the file bar to read its basic information (i.e. includes permission, information, file size etc)

- done by traversing the pathname and locate the desired inode
- Steps
  - 1. Find **inode** of the root directory by looking for **i-number** (or **inode number**)
    - \* Root directory has no parent directory
    - \* Root directory's **inode number** is 2 (for UNIX file systems)
  - 2. Read the **inode** of root directory
  - 3. Once its **inode** is read, read through its directory data (pointers to **data blocks**) until the inode number of foo is found (e.g 42)
  - 4. Recursively traverse the pathname until the desired inode is found (more specifically, the **inode number** of bar)
  - 5. Issue a open () to read bar's inode to memory
  - 6. Issue a read() system call to read from file bar
    - \* without lseek(), reads file from the first file data block (e.g. bar data[0])
    - \* lseek(..., offset\_amt \* size\_of\_file\_block) is used to offset/move to desired block in bar
  - 7. Trasnfer data to buf data block
  - 8. Read until read() returns 0, or desired data block has been read
  - 9. Close fd. No I/O is read.

# • Writing to Disk





### Given a call

create (...) (Note: open to be exact)

- 5 I/Os are generated per write
  - \* Read inode (to traverse to the location of new data block)
  - \* Reading data bitmap
  - \* Writing data bitmap
  - \* Write data block
  - \* Write inode (to update data block's location in inode)
- 10 I/Os are generated per file creation:
  - \* Read inode bitmap (to find free inode)
  - \* Write inode bitmap (to mark it allocated)
  - \* Create one new inode (to initialize it)
  - \* Create one data block (to link high-level name of file bar to its inode number)
  - \* Perform one read and write to the directory inode and update it

# Example

## References

1) Columbia University, Operating Systems, link