- 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
- 2. (a) 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

#### References

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- (b) 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
- (c) 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



- \* 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
```

```
Current
                                  Return
                                           Offset
System Calls
                                  Code
fd = open("file", O_RDONLY);
                                                               read continues
                                     100
read(fd, buffer, 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);
                                                               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

## Example

```
#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)
- · 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

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
    - $\cdot$  buf A stat structure where data about the file will be stored (see below)

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

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]);
                               ----\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:

- 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

#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)
  Example
   #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
                 ino_t d_ino; // inode number
off_t d_off; // offset to the next dirent
unsigned short d_reclen; // length of this record
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

```
#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";
      status;
status = unlink(path);
```

```
prompt> echo hello > file
prompt> stat file
... Inode: 67158084
                        Links: 1 ...
prompt> ln file file2
prompt> stat file
                        Links: 2 ...
... Inode: 67158084
prompt> stat file2
... Inode: 67158084
                        Links: 2 ...
prompt> ln file2 file3
prompt> stat file
... Inode: 67158084
                        Links: 3 ...
prompt> rm file
prompt> stat file2
... Inode: 67158084
                        Links: 2 ...
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  $^{\left[2\right]}$
- Is second directory entry identical to first





# • Crash Consistency

- Inode before update

owner : remzi
permissions : read-write
size : 1
pointer : 4
pointer : null
pointer : null
pointer : null
i-number

Inode after update

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

## References

- 1) codewiki, stat, link
- 2) The Open Group Base Specification, unlink, link
- 3. a) Indexed-based file system uses inode number and pointers to find data blocks, and data blocks can be set and anywhere, so external fragmentation isn't a problem
  - b) Extent based file system only requires a pointer to first data block of file, and the rest is read by traveling contiguously, and this requires less disk block access than index-based file system of which has to go to inode block, indirect pointers and data blocks to go to a particular byte in file.

#### 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)?
- I should record differences between linked-list-based FS, Extent-based FS, and indexed FS
- 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)
  - \* Write the location of new inode block in foo (by linking high-level name of file bar to its inode number and storing in data block)
  - \* Perform one read and write to the directory inode and update it

#### • Static Partitioning

- Divides resources into fixed proportion once
  - \* e.g. two possible users of memory  $\rightarrow$  give fraction of memory to one user and rest to the other

- Advantages
  - \* Ensures each user receives some share of the resource
  - \* Delivers more predictable performance (usually)
  - \* Easier to implement
- Disadvantages
  - \* Is wasteful

\*

## • Dynamic Partitioning

- Gives out different amounts of resources over time
- Lets resource-hungry users consume idle resources
- Advantages
  - \* Flexible
  - \* Can achieve better utilization than static partitioning
- Disadvantages
  - \* More complex to implement
  - \* Could lead to worse performance
    - e.g idle resource got consumed by others and take long time to reclaim it when needed (the perodic frozen feeling when loading screen)

## References

- 1) Columbia University, Operating Systems, link
- 4. 1) i) all of the above
  - ii) To minimize damage, it should be updated in order of Data Region-Inode Table-
    - 1. Data Region
    - 2. Inode Table
    - 3. Data Bitmap
    - 4. Inode Bitmap

The reason is that when data block and/or inode block are set and crash happens, the file system treats as if nothing had happened.

And the reason is that before data/inode block is allocated, it first checks the inode and data bitmap, which contains information about whether the block is occupied or not.

Once they are allocated, we risk data/inode leak, and if done improperly, the data/inode block would not be available until actions are taken.

- 2) i) inode bitmap, data bitmap
  - ii)