

1. a) 1) 4 - inode blocks. 1 for the file c, and 3 for the directories /, 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 pointers), 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

References

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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) Rough Work

• **Crash Scenarios**

- When only new data block is written to disk
 - * This is fine in system's point of view
 - * No inode points to it (it doesn't contain any information about file)
 - * No bitmap points to it
 - * Is as if write never occurred
- When only the updated inode is written to disk
 - * There is no bitmap that's pointing to it
 - * There is new inode where existing inode is
 - * The data block Db hasn't been created
 - * Reading data where Db is will return garbage data
 - * there is a term for this. Is called **File-System inconsistency**
- When only inode bitmap is written to disk
 - * inode block pointed by bitmap is assumed to be allocated
 - * But there is no desired inode where it's pointing
 - * This is another example of **File-System-Inconsistency**
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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 creating file/directory works in UNIX
- **Creating Files**

– **Syntax:**

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

- * Is a system call
- * 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 private per process
- * Can be used to read() and write() files

Example

```
#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);
...
```

File can be read by owner

File can also be written by owner

File can also be read by group

File can also be read by others

Means
1. File is Writable AND
2. Create file if doesn't exist AND
3. Overwrite file if exists

• **Reading File**

– **Syntax:**

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

- * Is a system call
- * 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

Example

```
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
```

- Reading and Writing Files
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- Removing Files
- Making Directories
- Reading Directories
- Removing Directories
- Hard Links
- Symbolic Links