Lab 4 Results Kateryna Osadchuk

Part 1: Testing

Test One - Creating Files and Directories

command

```
//TESTING
my_create("root/hello.txt");
my_create("root/test.c");

//my_delete("root/hello.txt");
create_dir("documents");
my_create("documents/homework.doc");
```

FAT

0 00000000 FFFFFFF 01000000 FFFFFFF 02000000 FFFFFFF

Directory entries

Test Two - Opening Files, Reading, Writing

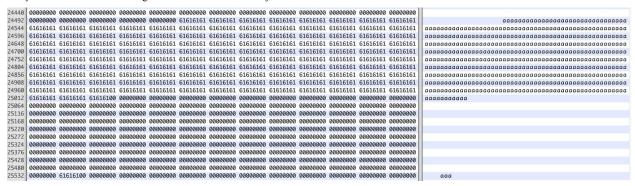
Command

```
open_file_node* f = my_open("root/test.c", read_mode);
char* buff1 = malloc(514);
for (int i = 0; i < 514; i++) {
    strcat(buff1, "a");
}
my_write(f,buff1, 514);
char* buff2 = malloc(514);
my_read(f, buff2, 514);
printf("%s\n", buff2);</pre>
```

Resulting FAT

0 00000000 FFFFFFF 01000000 03000000 02000000 FFFFFFF 01000000 FFFFFFF

Entry in Data - Result of Writing - note data blocks aren't adjacent due to file number 2.



Result of Reading to buff2 and Printing to Screen

Test Three - Deleting a File

Command

my_delete("root/hello.txt");

Result in FAT

0 | FEFFFFFF FEFFFFFF 01000000 03000000 02000000 FFFFFFF 01000000 FFFFFFFF

Part 2: Explanation of Architecture Changes

I made a number of changes in my implementation compared to how I planned it originally. First, I don't store the open file nodes on the virtual disk because there is no need to make them persistent. The open file nodes are only used to read from files when running the program, so storing them in heap is sufficient.

The second major change is how I handle directories. Due to a time constraint, I had to take a more primitive approach than anticipated. Directories are structs that are stored on the virtual disk and each directory has a name, number of entries, and an array of directory entries. Each directory entry corresponds to a file and stores the file name, file number, and all other metadata. The directories are a seperate section of the virtual disk and take up 6960 bytes. While this

approach makes it easy to access the directories, find the file numbers given a file name and edit the metadata, it's primitive in that it doesn't allow for directories to store other directories. Though this is a shortcoming, it allows me to finish the assignment and meet the other requirements. I should mention that I know that directories are actually just files that store the information about the files (and other directories) that are found within them, but I wasn't able to implement this. However, the user can still create and delete directories and create files in directories as required.

Besides these two changes, everything else is as in the previous documentation.

Part 3: Known Issues/Downfalls

While my lab works quite well (especially compared to my original expectations for it), there are a few things I would fix if I had more time:

- 1. Implement directories as files and allow for nested directories
- 2. Function to list contents of directory
- 3. Add more error checking (ex: trying to delete a directory that doesn't exist)

NOTE*** It might say "abort trap 6" when you run in terminal and honestly I don't know why that's happening. I got the code to work without error in Xcode.