

# Computer Science 360 – Introduction to Operating Systems Summer 2018

## *Assignment #4*

Due: Tuesday, July 31st, 11:55 pm by submission to connex  
(no late submissions accepted)

### **Programming platform**

As with the previous two assignments, for this one you must ensure your submission works on *linux.csc.uvic.ca*. You can remotely login to this machine using *ssh* anywhere on campus or from home.

You may already have access to your own Unix system (e.g., Linux, macOS) yet we recommend you work *linux.csc.uvic.ca* rather than try to complete the assignment on your machine for later submission to connex. Bugs in systems programming tend to be platform-specific, and something that works perfectly at home may end up crashing on a different hardware configuration. *Your code will be evaluated on linux.csc.uvic.ca, therefore you must ensure any work done on personal laptops or desktops also works correctly on that server.*

### **Individual work**

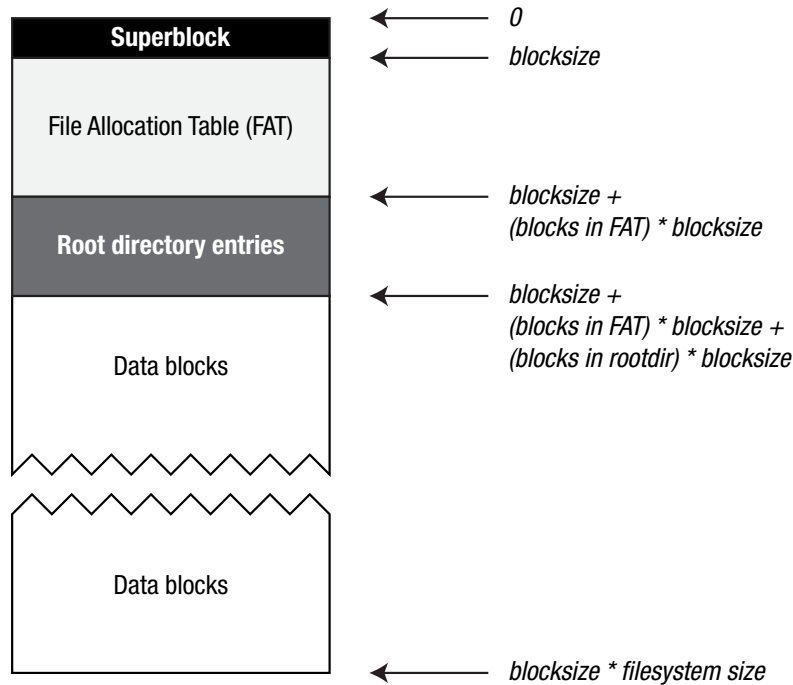
This assignment is to be completed by each individual student (i.e., no group work). Naturally you will want to discuss aspects of the problem with fellow students, and such discussion is encouraged. However, sharing of code is strictly forbidden. If you are still unsure about what is permitted or have other questions regarding academic integrity, please direct them as soon as possible to the instructor. (Code-similarity tools will be run on submitted work.)

### **Goal of this assignment**

Write four C programs implementing operations on a UVic FS 2018 *file-system image* (i.e., sample images will be provide to you). The operations are: (1) printing information about a disk image (*statuvfs*); (2) printing a directory listing of files in a disk image (*lsuvfs*); (3) outputting the contents of a file in disk image to the host console's *stdout* stream (*catuvfs*); and (4) copying a host-system file to a disk image (*storuvfs*).

## UVic FS 2018

Before describing your four tasks, you first need to know more about the file system for this assignment. It has four major components as shown in the diagram below (with arrows indicating byte offsets from the start of the file system).



The size of the file-system disk image in bytes is the product of its *blocksize* (always some number of bytes having a power of 2) and the *file-system size* (always expressed some number of *blocks*, where this number need not be a power of 2). For example, if the blocksize is 512 bytes and the number of blocks is 5120, then the disk-image size of the file system is 2,621,440 bytes. Note also that a block is a logical concept.

The **superblock** is the first area and is reserved for critical file-system metadata. The layout of this block is as follows:

| <i><b>Description</b></i>         | <i><b>Size</b></i> | <i><b>Value in IMAGES/disk02X.img</b></i> |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| file-system identifier            | 8 bytes            | uvicfs18                                  |
| blocksize                         | 2 bytes            | 0x0100                                    |
| file-system size (in blocks)      | 4 bytes            | 0x00000bb8                                |
| block where FAT starts            | 4 bytes            | 0x00000001                                |
| # of blocks in FAT                | 4 bytes            | 0x0000002f                                |
| block where root directory starts | 4 bytes            | 0x00000030                                |
| # of blocks in root directory     | 4 bytes            | 0x00000010                                |

Everything from the last superblock entry to the end of the first disk block is otherwise filled with zeros.

The **File Allocation Table** (FAT) is stored in the second section of the disk image and always starts at the second block. However, before describing the FAT we must first describe the **directory entries** contained with the **root-directory entries section**.

Each *directory entry* is 64 bytes in size, and the maximum number of these entries within the root directory is fixed. (For `uvicfs18` this number is 64.) Each file existing in the file system will have its own directory entry. The layout of *every* directory entry is as follows:

| <i><b>Description</b></i> | <i><b>Size</b></i> |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| status                    | 1 byte             |
| starting block            | 4 bytes            |
| # of blocks in file       | 4 bytes            |
| file size (in bytes)      | 4 bytes            |
| create time               | 7 bytes            |
| modify time               | 7 bytes            |
| filename                  | 31 bytes           |
| unused (set to 0xff)      | 6 bytes            |

- *status*: A bit mask describing the status of the file. Only three bits are used. Bit 0 (i.e., least significant bit) is false if the entry is available, true otherwise. Bit 1 is set to true if the entry is for a normal file; bit 2 is set to true if the entry is for a directory. Therefore bits 1 and 2 cannot both be set to true (i.e., an entry is either a normal file or it is a directory but not both).
- *starting block*: The block in the disk image that is the first block of the file corresponding to the directory entry.
- *# of blocks in file*: Total number of blocks in the file
- *file size*: In bytes. Note that *file size* must be less than or equal to the *# of blocks in file \* file-system blocksize*.
- *create time, modify time*: Data and time when the file was created / modified. The storage format for times is described a bit further below.
- *filename*: a null-terminated string (i.e., the largest file-name length is 30 chars). Characters accepted in filenames are alphabetic (upper- and lower-case), digits (0-9) and the underscore character (i.e., [a-zA-Z0-9\_]).

The date/time stored in a directory entry assumes something having the form of `YYYYMMDDHHMMSS` where:

- two bytes are used to store the year; and
- one byte each is used to store other values (month, day, hour, minute second).

This results in seven bytes for each date/time.

We can now return to the *File Allocation Table*. The concept of a FAT has been around for nearly forty years and has some similarities to an array-based implementation of a linked list (i.e., FAT itself treated as an array of 4-byte integers). In order to find out what blocks belong to a file:

1. The directory-entry for the file is located and the starting block is read from that entry – let's use *S* as the name of the file's starting block.
2. Block *S* in the *Data Block* section of the file system is then read.
3. To find the next block in the file, we look at the value in entry *S* of the FAT; let's use *T* as the name of this latter entry's value, i.e.,  $T = \text{FAT}[S]$ . If *T*'s value does not indicate end-of-file, then that value is the next block in the file, and so we set *S* to *T* and go back to step 2; otherwise we stop. (Note *would not* expect *T*'s value to indicate the block as *available* or as *reserved*.)

FAT entries are four bytes long (32 bits). Therefore when the file-system blocksize is 256 bytes, each block in the FAT will contain 64 FAT entries; if the blocksize is 512 bytes, then each block will contain 128 FAT entries, etc. (There are as many FAT entries as there are blocks in the entire file system.)

FAT entries may contain the following values indicating the status of its corresponding file-system block:

| <i>Value</i>              | <i>Meaning</i>                                                                           |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 0x00000000                | This file-system block is available (i.e. free-block list and FAT are combined together) |
| 0x00000001                | This file-system block is reserved (i.e., part of the superblock or the FAT)             |
| 0x00000002 – 0xffffffff00 | This file-system block is allocated to some file                                         |
| 0xffffffffff              | This is the last block in a file                                                         |

The final section of the disk image is made up of the ***data blocks*** for files and for subdirectories, and we would expect this to be the largest section of the disk image.

### Task 1: *statvfs.c*

Write a program that displays information about a `uvicfs18` file-system image. Amongst other things your code must read in the superblock of the disk image and use that information to read entries in the FAT. Here is the program's output for `IMAGES/disk03X.img` in the distributed files (and please use this format):

```
$ ./statvfs --image IMAGES/disk03X.img
uvicfs18 (disk03X.img)

-----
  Bsz  Bcnt  FATst FATcnt  DIRst DIRcnt
  256   7900    1   124   125   16
-----

Free  Resv  Alloc
  7759   125    16
```

### Task 2: *lsuvfs.c*

Write a program that displays the root-directory listing for a `uvicfs18` file-system image. Here is an example of the program's output for `IMAGES/disk04.img` in the distributed files.

```
$ ./lsuvfs --image IMAGES/disk04.img
  159 2018-Jul-17 09:37:15 alphabet_short.txt
 6784 2018-Jul-17 09:37:15 alphabet.txt
   93 2018-Jul-17 09:37:15 digits_short.txt
18228 2018-Jul-17 09:37:16 digits.txt
```

On each line eight digits are used for the file size (in bytes). Although the order of lines in your output may vary from what is expected, each expected line must appear in the output – and no others! Therefore please use the line format as shown. (And how might we indicate the a directory entry is itself a directory??)

### Task 3: *catuvfs.c*

Write a program that copies a file from a disk image to the `stdout` stream of the host console. If the specified file is not found in the root directory, print a “file not found” message on a single line and exit the program.

```
$ ./catuvfs --image IMAGES/disk04.img --file digits_short.txt
123456789012345678901234567890
123456789012345678901234567890
123456789012345678901234567890
```

#### Task 4: *storuvfs.c*

Write a program that copies a file from host system to a specified disk image. You should print an appropriate message if (a) the host-system file cannot be found, or (b) the file already exists on the disk image, or (c) there is not enough room to store the file on the disk image.

```
$ cat >yelp.txt
Yelp!
<ctrl-D>
$ ./storuvfs --image disk03.img --file yelp.txt --source yelp.txt
$ ./lsuvfs --image disk03.img
  159 2018-Jul-17 09:36:44 alphabet_short.txt
   93 2018-Jul-17 09:36:44 digits_short.txt
    6 2018-Jul-17 09:45:49 yelp.txt
$ ./storuvfs --image disk03.img --file yelp.txt --source yelp.txt
file already exists in the image
$ ./catuvfs --image disk03.img --file yelp.txt | diff ./yelp.txt -
$ # no output from diff -- that's good as it means the files are identical
```

Note the file name of the source file (on the host system) *need not* be matched by the file name as it is stored in the disk image.

#### What you are given

All of the needed files and directory to get you started are contained in a compressed TAR file in `/home/zastre/csc360/a4/a4.tar.gz`. To uncompress and unarchive this file in your current directory, use the following commands:

```
$ gunzip a4.tar.gz
$ tar -xf a4.tar
$ ls
a4.tar.gz  disk.h  lsuvfs.c  statuvfs.c
catuvfs.c  IMAGES  makefile  storuvfs.c
```

Make sure you delete *a4.tar* after you have the files (or if you used the *tar xvfz* one-liner then delete *a4.tar.gz*).

**Also available is `/home/zastre/csc360/a4_appendix.pdf` containing some notes to help with your implementation.**

#### What are to submit:

- A single *uncompressed TAR file* containing the needed four source-code files (*statuvfs.c*, *lsuvfs.c*, *catuvfs.c*, *storuvfs.c*). Code for any additional functionality must appear in this TAR archive.

## Evaluation

Given there are a variety of possible solutions to this assignment, the teaching team will not evaluate submissions by just using a marking script. Students will instead demonstrate their work to our course marker. Sign-up sheets for demos will be provided a few days before the due-date; each demo will require 15 minutes.

Our grading scheme is relatively simple.

- “A+” grade: An exceptional submission demonstrating creativity and initiative. All four tasks have been completed and the code runs without any problems. Additional functionality has been correctly implemented.
- “A-”, “A” grade: All four tasks have been completed and the code runs without any problems.
- “B-“, “B”, “B+” grade: The first three tasks have been completed (i.e., everything except for *storuvfs*) and the code runs without any problems.
- “C”, “C+” grade: The first three tasks have been completed (i.e., everything except for *storuvfs*) and the code runs with some significant problems.
- “D” grade: A serious attempt at completing the first three tasks for the assignment. The code runs with serious problems.
- “F” grade: Either no submission is given, or the submission represents very little work.