

# The FS/Z File System

**Specification and On Disk Format** 

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### **Preface**

"Keep it simple, stupid."

/ Kelly Johnson /

This is a new file system which was designed for the future. It's goal is to be unlimited in capacity, expandable, being backwards compatible at the same time. Features are optional, a basic driver is extremely easy to implement, but a fully featured driver is comparable to commercial grade solutions.

It is built on the assumption that modern storage devices has no moving mechanical parts any more therefore they do not suffer from the seek penalty. Also they do use linear sector addressing mode exclusively (also known as LBA mode). This is most certainly true for flash drives, USB sticks, SD cards and SSD disks. It is assumed that future storage will be like that too, not having mechanical parts and keeping linear addressing.

If that assumption stands, then file systems can be significantly simplified. There's no need for cylinders, bands nor block groups, neither pre-allocation, because blocks with related data doesn't need to be located closely any more. The one and only priority left is using as few space as possible for the housekeeping data without sacrificing the effectiveness of interpreting that information.

There's also no need for tables with limited capacities. Even though those are usually allocated on format knowing the storage's size, it's a common task that operating system administrators create a backup of the file system and restore the backup to a larger storage. With fixed sized tables, a file system can't really take advantage of the bigger volume (unless a slow and risky resizefs operation is performed). Not to mention how annoying it is when a user runs out of available i-nodes for example when there's plenty of free space on the storage.

File systems of the past always suffered from limited field widths. A file system which is designed for the future should always overestimate the size of each field considerably, and then a driver could always decide to implement fewer bits.

FS/Z is a file system which takes all of these considerations into practice.

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# **Revision History**

Currently this is the very first version, FS/Z 1.0 so no changes.

### Introduction

We all get used to the fact that disks and removable media is capable of storing files. However on the lowest level this isn't so. Storage devices can only understand sectors, so there's a need to somehow translate a list of arbitrary length files organized in a hierarchy into a list of fixed sized chunks.

This is where a file system comes into play. So far many file systems has been developed, but at the end of the day all what they do is bookkeeping how files are represented as fixed sized blocks.

In general all file systems share the same build-up:

- **superblock**: is a structure that's unique to the file system, usually has magic bytes to allow identification and records all the necessary information to locate other parts of the file system.
- **block size** or **allocation unit**: is the size in which the file system keeps track of things. Also called logical sector size or cluster size. It cannot be smaller than the physical sector's size, and it is common practice that more consecutive physical sectors make up one logical block.
- allocation info: used to keep track of free blocks and which block belongs to which file.
- **meta data**: is the way how a file system stores file properties like the file's parent directory, name, size, type, access rights, last modification date etc. Some file systems consider allocation a file property, so they store it here along with the other meta data. Others only store a pointer to the first allocation record, and keep the actual allocation info separated.
- **file data**: is what you can see when you open a file in an application. It is a general expectation that all the other meta data should be kept small so that bigger part of the volume can be used for storing the actual file data.

In what file systems are different, is how the above gets implemented. Choosing the format wisely is very important, because it defines what algorithms can be used, therefore having a huge impact on the file system's overall performance, and how big part of the volume is "wasted" for storing the meta data.

The act of determining the allocation unit size and writing the necessary meta data without any file data is called "to format a disk". If this operation doesn't zero out file data, then that's called quick format.

Finally, file systems can be placed on the entire storage, or those can be divided into variable sized nonoverlapping areas, called partitions. In this case a file system only manages the contents of one partition, and each partition may use different file systems. The FS/Z file system

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### **Terms and Definitions**

- The terms **must**, **must not**, **should**, **should not** and **may** are to be interpreted as described by RFC 2119.
- **physical sector** is the smallest input output unit a storage device can handle, usually 512 bytes (most common), 2048 bytes (some discs) or 4096 bytes (most notably SSDs and some newer hard disks).
- **LBA**: linear block address is a physical sector address, expressed with a numerical value. Currently 48 bit wide most of the time, but storage with 64 bit sector addresses exists. The very first physical sector of the storage is addressed by LBA 0.
- **RAID**: redundant array of inexpensive disks, is a method to create logical LBA addressing over multiple storage to increase redundancy or expand volume capacity beyond one disk.
- **partitions**: are non-overlapping areas of the storage, expressed by LBA starting address and number of physical sectors. Partitions are defined by a partitioning table, called GUID Partitioning Table, as defined by the EFI specification. Partitions are usually started on 2048 physical sector aligned addresses, so file systems start on a 1 Megabyte boundary.
- **logical sector:** (or simply **block**) is the building block of the file system, always multiple of physical sector. The smallest possible size is 2048 bytes, but most commonly it is chosen to be 4096 bytes. It's maximum size isn't limited in practice, could be 2 65546 (exponent is 2 16 + 11).
- LSN: logical sector number, is a numerical value, stored on a 128 bit wide integer. The file system's first allocation block is LSN 0. Without partitions, LSN 0 equals to LBA 0. If a partition is not logical sector size aligned, then logical sector size modulo physical sector size must be added when converting. LSN x = LBA x \* logical sector size / physical block size + start physical address % (logical sector size / physical sector size). For example, assuming 8 physical sectors make up a logical sector, if the file system starts on the disk, then LSN 0 = LBA 0, LSN 1 = LBA 8, LSN 2 = LBA 16 etc. If that file system is moved to a partition which starts at LBA 3, then LSN 0 = LBA 3, LSN 1 = LBA 11, LSN 2 = LBA = 19 etc. It is expected that partitions should start on a LBA address which is multiple of logical sector size, but not mandatory.
- **integer**: is a numerical value, which can be 8, 16, 32, 64, 96 or 128 bits wide. On disk always stored in a *little endian format*, for example 0x01020304 as the series of bytes 0x04, 0x03, 0x02, 0x01. A driver might choose the implement less, for example up to 64 bits only.

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- **i-node**: a logical sector which stores all the properties of a file, except its name.
- **fid**: file identifier, an LSN which points to a logical sector with i-node structure in it.
- **directory**: is used to organize files into a hierarchy. It is a list of file names, and a directory might contain other directories. On disk they are stored just as any other regular file, but with special content, with a list of fixed sized directory entries.
- **directory entry**: a pair of fid and file name.
- **root directory**: is the top of the file hierarchy. All files and directories in the file system must be descendants of the root directory.
- **timestamps**: date and time is stored as number of *micro*seconds since 1970. jan. 1 00:00:00 UTC, without any timezone nor daylight saving applied. AD 1970 to AD 586912.
- **UUID**: a universally unique identifier, stored on 16 bytes.
- ACE: access control entry, a UUID without the last byte which identifies the principal, and access rights and permissions stored in the last byte.
- ACL: access control list, a list of ACEs. The first entry in the list identifies the owner (also called the control ACE), the one with the right to modify other ACE entries in the list.
- CRC: cyclic redundancy check, a 32 bit checksum calculated from the contents to validate integrity. Multiple methods exist, FS/Z uses the Castagnoli method with polynomial 0x1EDC6F41, the same used in network packets, and different to the ANSI CRC which is used in the EFI GPT. The reason for this choice is, many architectures have hardware accelerated calculation capabilities for the Castagnoli CRC32c variant, but not for the ANSI CRC32a.

### **Summary of FS/Z File System Limitations**

Technically the file system is unlimited, because limits are so high that in practice they never reached.

| Property  | Maximum allowed size             |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Logical sector size (allocation unit) maximum   | 2 <sup>266</sup> bytes           |
| File system (partition) size                    | 2 <sup>128</sup> logical sectors |
| Largest file size                               | 2 <sup>128</sup> bytes           |
| Maximum number of entries in a directory        | 2 <sup>121</sup> - 1 entries     |
| Maximum number of logical sectors in one extent | 2 <sup>96</sup> logical sectors  |
| File name maximum length (UTF-8 encoded)        | 111 bytes                        |

# **Overall On Disk Layout**

The overall layout describes how file system meta data is organized on disk. The Logical Sector Number (LSN) indexes allocation blocks, and if the file system is on the entire disk, LSN  $\theta = \text{LBA } \theta$ , otherwise LSN  $\theta = \text{first block}$  of the partition. All logical sector addresses are relative to the file system's first block, which is therefore LSN  $\theta$ .



Figure: block layout of an FS/Z formatted partition or storage

The **superblock** is always stored in the very first block at LSN  $\theta$ . Optionally in the very last block, there's a **backup** copy of the superblock at LSN N - I. Everything else is free to be used as file data blocks, but there must be at least one block that stores the **root i-node** of the file system. Its position is recorded in the superblock, and usually (but not necessarily) comes right after the superblock.

The backup superblock is optional, it is not an error if it's missing, however drivers should place it whenever possible and they should warn the user that file system might be truncated if it's missing.

The FS/Z file system was designed in a way that in lack of a valid superblock, other blocks can be parsed to reconstruct it entirely. However this is a slow operation, hence the superblock backup.

This layout means that quick formatting with FS/Z is indeed very quick, requires writing only 3 blocks to the storage, no more. Resizing is also quick and easy, one just have to move the superblock backup.

In case FS/Z is used to maintain a partition and not the entire storage, the partition type should reflect what that partition is used for, and not what the partition is formatted with. But in case you really don't know the former, you can use a jolly joker UUID in the GUID Partitioning Table for the latter:

{ 0x5A2F534F, 0x0000, 0x5346, { 0x2F,0x5A,0x00,0x00,0x00,0x00,0x00} }

Or with GUID notation:

#### 5A2F534F-0000-5346-2F5A-000000000000

But as it was pointed out, partition type should reflect how the partition is used (for storing applications, for user's private data, for shared data etc.) instead.

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# The Superblock

The very first block of the file system is the superblock, regardless the size of the block, or how many physical sectors give a block. It is always at the beginning of the first logical sector at address LSN 0.

Related fields are not necessarily grouped together, it was more important that each field must be aligned on an offset which is multiple of its size. All integer numbers are stored in *little endian* format.

| Offset | Size | Field         | Description   |
|--------|------|---------------|---|
| 0      | 512  | loader        | reserved, exists for historical reasons               |
| 512    | 4    | magic         | magic bytes, 'F', 'S', '/', 'Z'                       |
| 516    | 1    | version_major | file system version                                   |
| 517    | 1    | version_minor | file system version                                   |
| 518    | 1    | logsec        | logical sector size in power of two minus 11          |
| 519    | 1    | enctype       | encryption alogirthm if used                          |
| 520    | 4    | flags         | file system feature flags                             |
| 524    | 2    | maxmounts     | maximum number of mounts allowed before next fsck     |
| 526    | 2    | currmounts    | current number of mounts counter                      |
| 528    | 16   | numsec        | total number of logical sectors                       |
| 544    | 16   | freesec       | first free logical sector                             |
| 560    | 16   | rootdirfid    | root directory i-node's logical sector number         |
| 576    | 16   | freesecfid    | free area pseudo file i-node's logical sector number  |
| 592    | 16   | badsecfid     | bad sector pseudo file i-node's logical sector number |
| 608    | 16   | indexfid      | search index directory i-node's logical sector number |
| 624    | 16   | metafid       | meta labels file i-node's logical sector number       |
| 640    | 16   | journalfid    | journal pseudo file i-node's logical sector number    |
| 656    | 16   | journalhead   | pointer to journal's head logical sector number       |
| 664    | 16   | journaltail   | pointer to journal's tail logical sector number       |
| 672    | 16   | journalmax    | number of logical sectors in the journal              |
| 680    | 28   | encrypt       | encryption key mask                                   |
| 708    | 4    | enchash       | password CRC  |
| 712    | 8    | createdate    | file system creation date and time (format time)      |

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| 720  | 8    | lastmountdate  | date and time of last mount                            |
|------|------|----------------|--|
| 728  | 8    | lastumountdate | date and time when superblock was written              |
| 736  | 8    | lastcheckdate  | date and time when fsck was last run on this volume    |
| 744  | 16   | uuid           | file system unique identifier (same as GPT entry UUID) |
| 760  | 256  | reserved       | reserved for future use, must be zero                  |
| 1016 | 4    | magic2         | second magic bytes, 'F', 'S', '/', 'Z'                 |
| 1020 | 4    | checksum       | CRC checksum of bytes at 512 - 1020                    |
| 1024 | 1024 | raidspecific   | RAID specification                                     |

### **Legacy Loader**

For historical reasons, the first 512 bytes are reserved for boot loader code. It isn't used on modern machines, so it is just filled up with zeros. Old systems stored the MBR partitioning table here, which is not used any more. Its successor, the GPT partitioning scheme starts at the 512th byte.

# **File System Identification Magic Bytes**

These 4 magic bytes being "FS/Z" are used to identify that the volume is using FS/Z. When a storage is partitioned, then exactly at this position there must be an "EFI PART" magic. This conflict guarantees that it can be determined if the file system is using the entire disk of if the disk is partitioned.

### **File System Version**

The current version is 1.0 which is stored as version\_major 1 and version\_minor 0.

# **Logical Sector Size**

Defines how big allocation unit is used for this file system, in power of two minus 11. Smallest possible value is 2048 bytes (encoded as 0), and the most common is 4096 bytes (encoded as 1). On big file servers, 65536 bytes (encoded as 5) is also probable. When not specified otherwise, logical sector size should be set to 4096 bytes by default. Setting the right size is very important, because having it small increases the required amount of meta data, and having it too large will waste a lot of storage space at the end of each file.

# **Encryption Algorithm**

When encryption is used (enchash non-zero), then this field defines what cipher algorithm is used. Values 2 to 255 are reserved for future use.

| Value | Define             | Algorithm                                |
|-------|--------------------|--|
| 0     | FSZ_SB_EALG_SHACBC | SHA256 and XOR based cyclic block cipher |
| 1     | FSZ_SB_EALG_AESCBC | AES 256 cyclic block cipher              |

### File System Feature Flags

It is a bitmask which defines the file system's features. Bits 4 - 31 are reserved for future use.

| Bit | Define              | Description   |
|-----|---------------------|---|
| 0   | FSZ_SB_BIGINODE     | I-node structures require 2048 bytes                  |
| 1   | FSZ_SB_JOURNAL_DATA | File data is also journaled, not just the meta data   |
| 2   | FSZ_SB_SOFTRAID     | If software RAID isn't used, this bit must be cleared |
| 3   | FSZ_SB_ACCESSDATE   | Store last access timestamp in i-nodes                |

### **Mount Counters**

When a file system is about to be used for the first time in a session (gets mounted on a directory or first referenced as an X: driveletter), the current number of mounts in Currmounts must be incremented. If this counter reaches the value specified in maxmounts, then it must be set to zero, and a complete file system check must be performed before the file system could be taken into use. With both values set to zero it means no file system check forced and no mount counter feature is used.

# **Volume Capacity**

Determined by the numsec and freesec fields. Both are 128 bits integer numbers expressed in logical sectors. The numsec contains the total number of logical sectors available on the volume minus 1. The logical sector pointed by numsec should contain the backup copy of the superblock. When the file system is defragmanted, then freesec contains the number of used sectors, otherwise it is the last used sector plus 1. Note that freesec isn't storing the number of free sectors, rather it points to the first surely available free logical sector. The value of freesec can't be larger than the value of numsec. When freesec is zero, that means the file system is in streaming or tape archive mode:

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numsec should point to the backup but in this case (and only in this case) could be zero, the file system must be defragmented, file data must be either inlined or expressed using extents only, there's no free space available, and the stream is terminated by the backup copy of the superblock.

### **Location of the Root Directory**

The field **rootdirfid** points to the logical sector with the root directory's i-node. It is usually (but not necessarily) right after the superblock, so it is 1. Root directory is a standard directory, except it's type in the i-node is not "dir:" but "dir:fs-root" to be recoverable.

### **Free Sectors Registry**

When the file system is defragmented, the field freesecfid must be zero, and the first available free sector is determined by the freesec field. Otherwise freesecfid must point to an i-node with type "int:fs-free-sectors". That pseudo file's allocation records are marking the free logical sectors of the file system from the superblock to freesec. The free sectors after the last used sector always determined by the freesec field.

# **Bad Sectors Registry**

Similarly to free sectors, bad sectors are kept track using a pseudo-file. When there are no bad logical sectors on the media, badsecfid field must be zero. Otherwise it must point to a i-node with type "int:fs-bad-sectors". That pseudo file's allocation records are marking the unusable, bad or faulty logical sectors in the file system.

### **Search Index**

If this feature is used, then indexfid must point to an i-node with type "dir:fs-search-index". This directory must contain entries with i-node type names (like "textplain/", "imagjpeg/") pointing only files with i-node type of "int:fs-search-index". Those files contain a list of fids and full paths for quick look-up.

# Meta Label Keys

When extended attributes feature is enabled in the file system, then key-value meta labels are stored (not to be confused with the file system meta data, file meta labels are just part of that). The meta label database consist of two parts: meta keys are UTF-8 encoded strings, each can be 255 bytes in size, there can be 65535 of them and they are stored in a pseudo file pointed by metafid. That i-node must have

the type "int:fs-meta-labels". In contrast, the metasec field in the i-nodes points to the data with the meta key id value pairs. When this feature is not used, metafid must be zero.

# **Journaling Information**

If journaling is not used, then all related fields in the superblock must be zero. Otherwise journalfid must point to an i-node with the type "int:journal" or "int:journal-data" (the latter is used if FSZ\_SB\_JOURNAL\_DATA flag is set. This is a special file that must be pre-allocated using a single extent, cannot have versions, and its data must be placed right after its i-node. The fields journalhead and journaltail implements a circular buffer in this pre-allocated area. The size of the area is also stored in journalmax (as well as in the i-node), and if either journalhead or journaltail reaches journalfid + journalmax + 1, they must be wrapped around to journalfid + 1. When journalhead equals to journaltail, that means the journal log is empty.

# **Encrypted Volumes**

The use of encryption is indicated by enchash not being zero, and that alone. If this feature is used, then encrypt must not be zero, and the field enctype tells the cipher to be used. The same CRC of the password is stored in enchash, regardless to the algorithm. This allows drivers to verify the password in a generalized way. The other field, encrypt contains the encryption mask or initialization vector, and its exact contents depends on which cipher was selected. With encryption, all the logical sectors except the superblock and its backup copy must be encrypted, and unused free space should be filled up with random bytes.

### **Creation, Last Mount, Check and Change Timestamps**

All timestamps in FS/Z are stored as number of microseconds (one millionth of a second) since 1970. jan. 1 00:00:00 UTC, not using timezones nor daylight savings. Good up till AD 586912.

The createdate is set to the time of the formatting. It should not change.

The lastmountdate is set and the lastumountdate is cleared when the file system is used for the first time in a session (gets mounted on a directory or first referenced as an X: driveletter). The lastumountdate must be kept zero during a session.

When the file system is unmounted (or storage ejected), then lastumountdate is set to that time. This way a zero lastumountdate indicates that the file system wasn't unmounted cleanly, so it might have errors.

The lastcheckdate indicates the last time when file system check was performed on the volume.

# **Volume Unique Identifier**

This value is unique to the file system. If file system is stored on a partition, then it must be the same as the partition UUID value. It can be used to detect removable media change, and to identify RAID disks.

### **Reserved Area**

256 bytes after that, and before the second magic is reserved for future use, must be set to zero.

# **Ending Magic and Checksum**

The superblock is ended in the second magic2 bytes, using the same values ("FS/Z"). As it is located on another physical sector than the first magic, this makes sure of it that the entire superblock was read into memory. After that comes the checksum, which is the CRC checksum for the area between the two magics (magic bytes included), from offset 512 to the byte at 1019 inclusive.

# **RAID Specific Information**

If software RAID feature is used, indicated by the FSZ\_SB\_SOFTRAID flag being set, then the field raidspecific, bytes from 1024 to 2047 are used to describe the configuration. RAID is using more devices to be seen as one, and the same superblock and raidspec is copied to all of the devices, except they all have a different unique volume identifiers. Because this a flexible configuration, RAID specification is encoded in a serialized byte stream. The specification starts with a small header, which includes the number of definitions:

| Offset | Size | Field    | Description                                  |
|--------|------|----------|--|
| 1024   | 4    | magic    | magic bytes, 'F', 'S', 'R', 'D'              |
| 1028   | 4    | checksum | checksum from 1032 to the end of the records |
| 1032   | 1    | numdef   | number of definition records                 |

This header is followed by numdef times varying length records.

| Offset | Size   | Field   | Description                                       |
|--------|--------|---------|---|
| 0      | 1      | type    | either 0, 1, 5 or 0x80, 0x81, 0x85                |
| 1      | 1      | numdisk | (n) number of disks in this definition record     |
| 2      | n/n*16 | disks   | n * 1 byte (if type & 0x80) or n * 16 bytes UUIDs |

If the RAID type byte has its most significant bit set, then each disk device is stored as one byte, an index to one of the previous RAID definition records (starting from 0). If most significant bit is cleared, then each device is stored as 16 bytes, with their corresponding unique volume identifier.

In an asymmetric arrangement, one might need to wrap a UUID in a record so that it could be referenced by a record index. For that RAID0 with one device can be used. Otherwise RAID0 allows any number of disks, RAID1 must have at least two disks and should have no more, and RAID5 must have exactly 3 disks.

Type could mean concatenation (RAID0) in striped mode, which uses the following scheme: LBA n is on device n modulo number of devices, the sector n / number of devices. So for example with two devices LBA 0 is device A's first sector, LBA 1 is device B's first sector, LBA 2 is device A's second sector etc.

Another option is mirroring (RAID1) of devices. Here all sectors are duplicated on all devices: LBA 0 maps to the first sector on both device A and B, LBA 1 is the second sector on both device A and B, etc.

Parity bit can be saved with XORed blocks (RAID5). This requires exactly three devices. Two stores the data, the third the XORed block. Which one is used for the XORed block is rotated. For example LBA 0 is device A's first sector. LBA 1 is device B's first sector. The XORed block of these two is stored in device C's first sector. LBA 2 is device B's second sector, LBA 3 is device C's second sector, then the XORed block is stored in device A's second sector. LBA 3 is device A's third sector, LBA 4 is device C's third sector, the XORed block is in device B's third sector. Then the permutation repeats: LBA 5 is on device A, LBA 6 is on device B, XORed block on device C, etc.

In addition to these, all combinations can be used too. For example a RAID1 mirrored disk can be used in a RAID0 concatenation, or more RAID5 disks can be mirrored with RAID1. Note that while the RAID specification encoding allows any combinations, not all makes sense.

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### The I-Node

This is the most important structure of the FS/Z file system. One common format is used to describe all the different file system meta data types. The same format is used to describe files and directories.

The i-node structure is placed at the beginning of a logical sector, and its size is independent to the logical sector size. It is 1024 bytes unless FSZ\_SB\_BIGINODE flag is set, in which case it's 2048 bytes. The remaining bytes of the logical sector are used for inlining data.

| Offset | Size       | Field      | Description   |
|--------|------------|------------|---|
| 0      | 4          | magic      | magic bytes, 'F', 'S', 'I', 'N'                       |
| 4      | 4          | checksum   | CRC checksum of bytes 8 to 1024 (or 2048)             |
| 8      | 4          | filetype   | first 4 bytes of the main mime type                   |
| 12     | 60         | mimetype   | first 68 bytes of the sub mime type                   |
| 72     | 8          | createdate | i-node creation timestamp                             |
| 80     | 8          | changedate | i-node last status change timestamp                   |
| 88     | 8          | accessdate | i-node last access timestamp                          |
| 96     | 8          | numblocks  | number of allocated blocks for this i-node            |
| 104    | 8          | numlinks   | number of references to this i-node                   |
| 112    | 16         | metasec    | logical sector number of the meta label block         |
| 128    | 64         | version5   | file version (oldest)                                 |
| 192    | 64         | version4   | file version  |
| 256    | 64         | version3   | file version  |
| 320    | 64         | version2   | file version  |
| 384    | 64         | version1   | file version  |
| 448    | 16         | sec        | file data LSN for current (or only) version           |
| 464    | 16         | size       | file size for current version                         |
| 480    | 8          | modifydate | file modification timestamp for current version       |
| 488    | 8          | flags      | file allocation flags for current version             |
| 496    | 16         | owner      | file owner for current version, control ACE           |
| 512    | 512 / 1536 | groups     | access control list (512 bytes unless big inode used) |

# **Magic and Checksum**

The i-node always starts with a 4 bytes magic "FSIN". This is followed by the checksum, which is the CRC of bytes 8 to the end of the i-node, byte at 1023 (or 2047) inclusive.

# **I-Node Type**

The main part is in filetype. For files the 4th byte is never a ':', and for FS/Z specific i-nodes it is.

| filetype | Description   |
|----------|---|
| text     | text file   |
| imag     | image file  |
| vide     | video file  |
| audi     | audio file  |
| appl     | application or other binary file                                    |
| boot     | boot loader application (same as "appl", but must not be relocated) |
| dir:     | directory   |
| uni:     | directory union   |
| Ink:     | symbolic link   |
| pip:     | named pipe (FIFO)   |
| dev:     | device file   |
| sck:     | socket file   |
| int:     | internal FS/Z meta data   |

The mimetype field contains the sub mime type, like "html", "jpeg" etc. For FS/Z special i-nodes:

| mimetype        | Description   |  |
|-----------------|---|--|
| fs-root         | only with "dir:", marks the root directory in the file system |  |
| fs-free-sectors | only with "int:", marks the free logical sectors              |  |
| fs-bad-sectors  | only with "int:", marks the bad or unusable logical sectors   |  |
| fs-search-index | only with "dir:" or "int:", mime type search index            |  |
| fs-meta-labels  | only with "int:", file listing the available meta label keys  |  |
| fs-journal      | only with "int:", journal for meta data                       |  |
| fs-journal-data | only with "int:", journal for both meta and file data         |  |

# I-Node Creation, Change and Access Timestamps

Uses the common timestamp format like the superblock, number of microseconds since 1970. jan. 1 00:00:00 UTC, not using timezones nor daylight savings.

The createdate field is set when the i-node is created, and it should not change.

The changedate field is set when the i-node is modified (and not when file data is modified, see modifydate for that).

The accessdate field is set when the i-node is accessed. This is an optional feature, this field could be left as zero. Only used when FSZ SB ACCESSDATE in superblock flags is set.

### **Number of Allocated Logical Sectors**

The field numblocks contains the total number of all additional logical sectors allocated for this inode, including the sector directories, sector lists and data sectors for all versions, but not including the i-node itself nor the gaps in sparse files.

### **Number of Links**

The field numlinks counts the number of references to this i-node in the directory entries or in the superblock. Special FS/Z i-nodes always have this field as 1. The root directory also starts with one.

### **Meta Label Values**

When extended attributes feature is enabled in the file system, then key-value meta labels are stored for this i-node on the logical sector pointed by metasec. The keys are described in a pseudo-file pointed by the metafid field in the superblock. When that's zero, metasec in i-nodes should also be.

### **File Versions**

The FS/Z file system is capable to store historical records of files, up to 5 old versions. This feature can be turned on and off on a per i-node basis, by using the FSZ\_IN\_FLAG\_HIST flag.

When used, older version records are copies of the fields SeC to owner (from offset 448 to 511, 64 bytes), but with their own SeC and flags value. When a new version is saved, all the versions are shifted by 64 bytes towards the beginning of the i-node. If the oldest version is not zero, then logical sectors allocated for that are freed, except if those are also used in newer version's allocation. The latest, which is the current (or only) version starts at offset 448.

# **File Modification Timestamp**

The time when the file's content was modified is stored in the modifydate field.

# **File Allocation Flags**

The way how allocation is taken care of, and how file data is translated into LSNs, stored in the flags and in the SeC fields. Flag is a bitset, in which the least significant byte selects the translation. The bits 10 to 63 are reserved for future use.

| Bit   | Define   | Description   |
|-------|--|---|
| 0 - 7 | FSZ_IN_FLAG_INLINE<br>FSZ_IN_FLAG_DIRECT<br>FSZ_IN_FLAG_SD0<br>FSZ_IN_FLAG_SDx<br>FSZ_IN_FLAG_SECLIST0<br>FSZ_IN_FLAG_SECLISTx | inlined data direct reference inlined sector directory level x indirect sector directory inlined sector list level x indirect sector list |
| 8     | FSZ_IN_FLAG_HIST   | old versions of the file are kept   |
| 9     | FSZ_IN_FLAG_CHKSUM   | file has content data checksums too   |

### **Permissions and Access Control List**

Depending on the i-node size, the field groups can store either 32 or 96 entries, each being 16 bytes.

These are UUIDs, universally unique identifiers of the principals, without the last byte. That byte contains the permission bits, and also one bit identifies the UUID as a group, or as an individual user.

Even though the field owner is stored along with the file versions, and copied with them, the owner field of the current version is also the very first entry in the access control list. As such, it does not only specify the file permission bits for the owner, but also specifies who has the right to modify the access control list, hence also called the control ACE. When there are exactly two elements in the groups field, and the first being a group ACE, and the second being a group ACE with a special "\*" principal **0000002A-0000-0000-0000-000000000xx** (which stands for catch all mask), then FS/Z i-node mimics POSIX access permissions, owner's permission stored in byte 511, group permissions in byte 527 and world permissions in byte 543. Otherwise a file could belong to multiple groups, or different users could have different access permissions to it.

An ACE with full zeros (no matter the permission bits) always terminates the list, otherwise there can be as many ACE as the size of the i-node allows. The i-node must be padded with zeros.

By default, only the file owner has any access to the file, and any kind of access to others is denied (default deny policy). He is also the one who can change permission bits in the **owner** field, and who can add or more ACE entries in the **groups** field.

The permissions are stored in the last (16th) byte of the UUID.

| Offset | Size | Field  | Description                                    |
|--------|------|--------|--|
| 0      | 4    | Data1  | first part of the UUID                         |
| 4      | 2    | Data2  | second part of the UUID                        |
| 6      | 2    | Data3  | third part of the UUID                         |
| 8      | 7    | Data4  | fourth part of the UUID, without the last byte |
| 15     | 1    | access | permission bits, see below                     |

| Bit | Define     | Description   |
|-----|------------|---|
| 0   | FSZ_READ   | read access   |
| 1   | FSZ_WRITE  | write access  |
| 2   | FSZ_EXEC   | execution on files or list directory on directories and unions          |
| 3   | FSZ_APPEND | only allows extending the file, but not modifying already existing data |
| 4   | FSZ_DELETE | permission to remove the file or directory                              |
| 5   | FSZ_GROUP  | is set if the ACE's principal is a group and not an individual user     |
| 6   | FSZ_SUID   | set user on execution, file creation on directories                     |
| 7   | FSZ_GUID   | set groups on execution, inherit (copy) ACL on directories              |

Permissions FSZ\_WRITE and FSZ\_APPEND are mutually exclusive. Normally whether a file can be deleted or not depends on the write permission of the parent directory. However it might be needed that a certain user should be allowed to remove a file (a lockfile for example), without giving write access to the entire directory. That's what FSZ\_DELETE permission is for. When FSZ\_EXEC is granted on files, it means that the file is executable. When granted to directories, it means the principal is allowed to list the directory's contents, otherwise they can only access files for which they know the filename. On executable files, FSZ\_SUID sets the process' owner to the file's owner. On directories this means that all newly created files and sub-directories will inherit the owner of the parent directory. Finally FSZ\_SGUID is similar, but it means the process or the newly created files will inherit the ACL.

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### **Allocation**

There are three translation schemes that can be used to translate file offsets into logical sector blocks. Each file version define these independently, and there are three fields in each version that control allocation: Size (the size of the file), Sec (pointer to allocation data) and flags (file allocation flags).

### **Allocation Structures**

#### **Sector List**

Used to implement extents and marking free sector areas on disks. A list item contains a starting LSN and the number of logical sectors in that area, describing varying length contiguous areas on disk. Unused entries must be set to zero. Independent to the FSZ IN FLAG CHKSUM flag.

| Offset | Size | Field    | Description  |
|--------|------|----------|--|
| 0      | 16   | sec      | LSN, pointer to the next level (up to $2^{128}$ logical sectors)         |
| 16     | 12   | numsec   | number of logical sectors in this extent (up to 2 <sup>96</sup> sectors) |
| 28     | 4    | checksum | CRC of the data in the pointed logical sector(s)                         |

### **Sector Directory**

A logical sector that has *logical sector size* / 16 entries. Unused entries must be set to zeros. The building block of memory paging like translations. Unlike sector lists, sector directories describe fix sized, non-contiguous areas on disk.

When FSZ IN FLAG CHKSUM is clear, then on each level:

| Offset | Size | Field | Description   |
|--------|------|-------|---|
| 0      | 16   | sec   | LSN, pointer to the next level (up to 2 <sup>128</sup> logical sectors) |

### When FSZ IN FLAG CHKSUM is set:

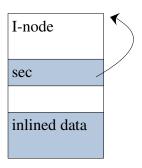
| Offset | Size | Field    | Description  |
|--------|------|----------|--|
| 0      | 12   | sec      | LSN, pointer to the next level (up to 2 <sup>96</sup> logical sectors) |
| 12     | 4    | checksum | CRC of the data in the pointed logical sector                          |

### **Translations**

#### **Inlined Data**

Can only be used for the current (or only) version, when the file size is less than or equal to *logical* sector size minus the *i-node structure's size* (that is 1024 bytes, unless FSZ\_SB\_BIGINODE flag is set, in which case it's 2048 bytes).

Here appropriate version's SeC points to the i-node, and in this case the appropriate version's flag is  $FSZ_FLAG_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ_IN_FLAG_INLINE (0xff)$ .

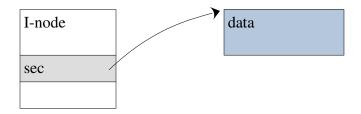


#### **Direct Data**

This can be used by all versions, but only if file size is smaller than or equal to logical sector size.

Here Sec points to the data sector directly, and

 $\label{eq:fsz_flag} FSZ\_FLAG\_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ\_IN\_FLAG\_DIRECT~(0).$ 

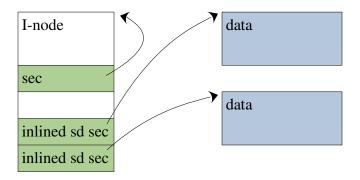


### **Inlined Sector Directory**

Can only be used for the current (or only) version, when the file size is less than or equal to  $((logical\ sector\ size\ minus\ the\ i-node\ structure's\ size)/16)*logical\ sector\ size.$ 

Here version's SeC points to the i-node, each SeC in the inlined sector directory points to data sectors directly, version's flag is

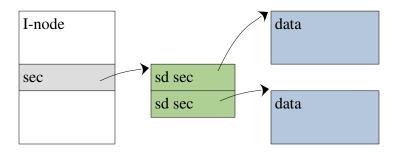
 $FSZ_FLAG_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ_IN_FLAG_SD0 (0x7F).$ 



### **Indirect Sector Directory**

This can be used by all versions, but only if file size is smaller than or equal to  $(logical\ sector\ size\ /\ 16)*logical\ sector\ size.$ 

Here SeC points to the sector directory, in which each seC points to the data sectors and FSZ FLAG TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ IN FLAG SD1 (1).

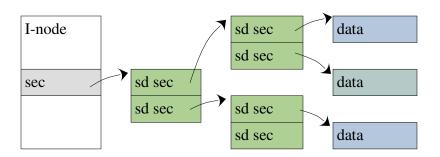


#### **Double Indirect Sector Directory**

This can be used by all versions, but only if file size is smaller than or equal to  $(logical\ sector\ size\ /\ 16)^2*logical\ sector\ size.$ 

Here SeC points to sector directory, where each seC points to another sector directory in which seC points to the data sectors and

$$FSZ_FLAG_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ_IN_FLAG_SD2$$
 (2).



### **Triple Indirect Sector Directory**

This can be used by all versions, but only if file size is smaller than or equal to  $(logical\ sector\ size\ /\ 16)^3*logical\ sector\ size.$ 

Here SEC points to the sector directories in three levels, and

$$FSZ_FLAG_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ_IN_FLAG_SD3 (3).$$

### **Quadriple Indirect Sector Directory**

This can be used by all versions, but only if file size is smaller than or equal to  $(logical\ sector\ size\ /\ 16)^4*logical\ sector\ size.$ 

Here Sec points to sector directories in four levels, and

$$FSZ_FLAG_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ_IN_FLAG_SD4 (4).$$

This scheme with indirect sector directories can go up to 11 levels, when file size is not larger than  $(logical\ sector\ size\ /\ 16)^{11}*logical\ sector\ size.$ 

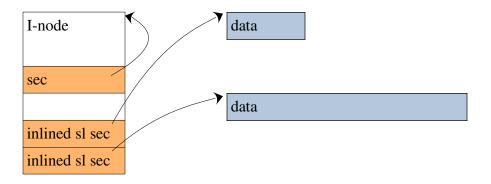
$$FSZ_FLAG_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ_IN_FLAG_SD11 (11).$$

#### **Inlined Sector List**

Can only be used for the current (or only) version, when there are no more extents than (logical sector size minus the i-node structure's size) / 32.

Here version's SEC points to the i-node, and each SEC in the sector list points to data sectors directly, version's flag is

FSZ FLAG TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ IN FLAG SECLISTO (0x80).

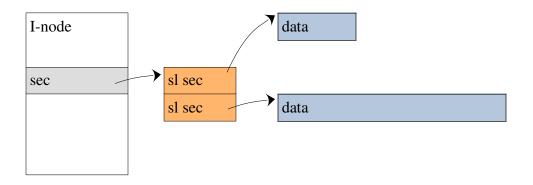


#### **Normal Sector List**

This can be used by all versions, when there are no more extents than (logical sector size / 32).

Here version's SeC points to a logical sector with sector list, and each SeC in the sector list points to data sectors directly, version's flag is

 $\label{eq:fsz_flag} FSZ\_FLAG\_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ\_IN\_FLAG\_SECLIST1 \ (0x81).$ 



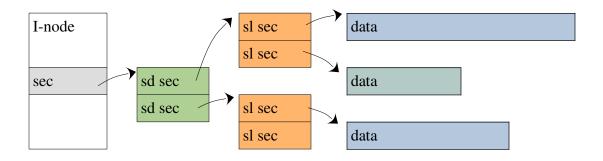
#### **Indirect Sector List**

This can be used by all versions, when there are no more extents than

(logical sector size / 16) \* (logical sector size / 32).

Here SeC points to sector directory, where each SeC points to a sector list in which SeC points to the data sectors and

FSZ FLAG TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ IN FLAG SECLIST2 (0x82).



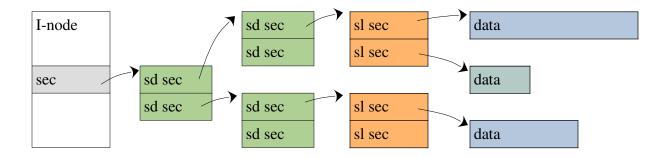
#### **Double Indirect Sector List**

This can be used by all versions, when there are no more extents than

 $(logical\ sector\ size\ /\ 16)^2\ *(logical\ sector\ size\ /\ 32).$ 

Here SeC points to sector directory, where each seC points to another sector directory where each seC points to a sector list in which seC points to the data sectors and

 $FSZ_FLAG_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ_IN_FLAG_SECLIST3 (0x83).$ 



### **Triple Indirect Sector List**

This can be used by all versions, when there are no more extents than

 $(logical\ sector\ size\ /\ 16)^3 * (logical\ sector\ size\ /\ 32).$ 

Here SeC points to sector directory in three levels, where last level's sec points to a sector list in which sec points to the data sectors and

FSZ FLAG TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ IN FLAG SECLIST4 (0x84).

### **Quadriple Indirect Sector List**

This can be used by all versions, when there are no more extents than

(logical sector size / 16)  $^4 * (logical sector size / <math>32$ ).

Here SeC points to sector directory in four levels, where last level's seC points to a sector list in which seC points to the data sectors and

FSZ FLAG TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ IN FLAG SECLIST5 (0x85).

This scheme can go up to 9 levels, when there are no more extents than

(logical sector size / 16) <sup>8</sup> \* (logical sector size / 32).

 $FSZ_FLAG_TRANSLATION(flags) = FSZ_IN_FLAG_SECLIST9 (0x89).$ 

### **Sparse Files**

These are files with gaps in them. If either a sector directory or a sector list references an LSN 0, that means a block full of zeros. For sector directories the block's size depends on the level where the LSN 0 appeared (at least one logical sector size), and for sector lists the size is given in the extent in numsec.

There are two possible ways how to create a sparse file with gaps. Either an application seeks over the file size before it writes something, or when a logical sector aligned data in multiple of logical sector size full of zeros are written to a file. A driver must always check for the latter too, because empty logical sectors must not be included in the i-node's numblocks field.

# **Bookkeeping Free Space**

The way how free space is recorded is pretty simple. No special structures, no bitmaps, it uses exactly the same i-node structure as normal files.

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There are two fields in the superblock to keep track of free space:

The freesec field always points to the last used logical sector plus one. This is the first available free sector's LSN.

The freesecfid field must be zero if the file system is defragmented, and free of external fragmentation. Otherwise it must point to an i-node with the special type "int:fs-free-sectors". This pseudo file isn't actually used, rather it's allocation info covers the free gaps between the superblock and the freesec LSN.

When a file or directory gets deleted, which isn't the very last in the file system, then it's allocation info is copied into the pseudo file's allocation info pointed by freesecfid. Otherwise the number of freed logical sectors are simply subtracted from freesec.

When a new logical sector is allocated, then first freesecfid must be checked. If it's not zero, then the block must be taken away from the pseudo file's allocation info, and added to whereever the block is needed. It is not mandatory, but for effectiveness strongly recommended that the free sectors pseudo file should use sector list translation. When all the logical sectors are taken away, then the pseudo file's i-node should be freed too, and if done, then the freesecfid field must be cleared in the superblock (not always possible, because freeing the free sector pseudo file's i-node might create a new gap. In that case it is okay to have an empty free sectors pseudo file).

If the pseudo file is empty, then freesec must be checked if it's smaller than numsec. If not, that means a "No space left on device" error. Otherwise the logical sector pointed by freesec must be returned and freesec incremented by one. If the returned LSN is recorded in the bad sectors pseudo file, then the whole process must be repeated to return another logical sector instead.

# **Bookkeeping Bad Sectors**

If there are bad, faulty or otherwise unusable logical sectors on the storage, then the badsecfid field in the superblock must point to an i-node with the special type "int:fs-bad-sectors". This pseudo file isn't actually used, rather it's allocation info covers the bad sectors on the volume.

It is very similar to free sector's pseudo file, but because bad sectors are often scattered through the disk, for effectiveness it is recommended that the bad sector pseudo file should use sector directory translation.

Logical sectors that are recorded in the bad sectors allocation info, must not appear anywhere else in the file system's meta data.

# The File Hierarchy

# **The Root Directory**

Files are grouped together in directories. Those directories can contain other directories, and by so creating a hierarchy. It starts with a root directory, who's i-node is pointed by the **rootdirfid** field in the superblock. The root directory always must exists, and its i-node type is different to the rest, so that it can be recovered, it's not "dir:", but "dir:fs-root".

Otherwise directories are just like files, they use exactly the same allocation, and they use exactly the same permissions and access control list. Their contents can be inlined in the i-node just like files, so a minimal root directory needs one logical sector, a combined i-node and file list.

There are two things in directories differ from files: they cannot have versions (there's only a current version of them), and their file contents consist of fixed sized records. A directory always has a header record and may have other records, therefore it's file size is 128 bytes at minimum, and it is always multiple of 128 bytes.

# **Directory Header**

The directory header has the same size as the entry records, 128 bytes and looks like this:

| Offset | Size | Field         | Description   |
|--------|------|---------------|---|
| 0      | 4    | magic         | magic bytes 'F', 'S', 'D', 'R'                            |
| 4      | 4    | checksum      | CRC of the directory entries, from byte 16 to end         |
| 8      | 1    | display_type  | GUI preferences: display type (icon, list, detailed etc.) |
| 9      | 1    | sorting_order | GUI preferences: the sorting order of the directory       |
| 10     | 6    | reserved      | GUI: preferences: reserved for future use                 |
| 16     | 16   | numentries    | number of entries in this directory                       |
| 32     | 16   | fid           | back reference to the directory's i-node                  |
| 48     | 79   | reserved      | reserved for future use, must be zero                     |
| 127    | 1    | flags         | directory flags   |

The main purpose of the header is make the directories recoverable.

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Otherwise its fields aren't really used, except GUI file managers can store their user preferences for the directory here. Note how the GUI preferences aren't part of the checksum.

If the directory entries are different to the standard, then directory flags can be used to indicate that.

| Bit | Define                | Description  |
|-----|-----------------------|--|
| 0   | FSZ_DIR_FLAG_UNSORTED | the entries aren't lexicographically sorted (shouldn't happen) |
| 1   | FSZ_DIR_FLAG_HASHED   | the entries are stored using a hash algorithm                  |

### **Directory Entries**

After the header comes a list of entries, always lexicographically sorted. This means a bit slower directory creation, but allows extremely fast O(log<sub>2</sub>) look-ups using libc's bsearch (binary search). Note that sorting\_order field in the header is just a GUI preference for a displaying option, it does not influence how entries are stored on disk.

There are *file size / 128* entries, or as indicated in the header's numerities field. Those two must always match. The size of an entry is always 128 bytes, padded with zeros.

| Offset | Size | Field | Description  |
|--------|------|-------|--|
| 0      | 16   | fid   | the pointed i-node                                   |
| 16     | 112  | name  | a zero terminated and padded, UTF-8 encoded filename |

Unlike other file systems, in FS/Z the current directory "." and the parent directory "." are **not stored** as an entry. The current directory's fid is recorded in the header for recovery, but otherwise not used. The parent directory can't be determined as with symlinks and directory unions multiple parents may exist. A driver therefore must always do string operation on the path to get the parent's path and look up that in their internal cache to get the correct i-node for the parent directory in a certain path.

Filenames are UTF-8 encoded, must be non-empty, and must not contain the characters zero, '/' (slash, directory separator) and ';' (semicolon, version separator). They must not start with '/' either, but if the fid in the directory entry points to another directory record, then the filename must be ended in '/'. This way directories are visually distinguished from other file types. The character ';' (semicolon) is reserved for indicating the file versions in paths: ";0" refers to the current version (can be omitted), ";-1" is the version before, ";-2" version before that, etc. up to ";-5" which refers to the oldest version (similar to FILES11 and ISO9660). The length limit of 111 might seem small compared to other file systems' 255 limit, but in reality more than enough, you'll never run out of it with every-day file names. For example, "The hundred years old man who climbed out of the window and disappeared.mp4" is 75 bytes long.

# **Special Files**

### **Named Pipes (FIFO)**

I-node type "pip:". Named pipes has no file content.

# **Symbolic Links**

I-node type "lnk:". Symbolic links are stored the same way as any file, their file content being the link target path.

# **Directory Unions**

I-node type "uni:". Are symbolic like constructs, paths are listed as zero terminated UTF-8 strings, ended in a zero byte. For example: "/bin(zero)/usr/bin(zero)(zero)".

### **Device Files**

I-node type "dev:". Their file content is always inlined, and looks like this

| Offset | Size | Field | Description                                  |
|--------|------|-------|--|
| 0      | 16   | major | the device major number                      |
| 16     | 16   | minor | the device minor number                      |
| 32     | 1    | type  | 0 for character devices, 1 for block devices |

### **Socket Files**

I-node type "sck:". They contain a 8 bytes long numeric id.

# **Search Index**

I-node type "dir:fs-search-index". This directory must contain entries with i-node type names (like "textplain/", "imagjpeg/"), but names starting with "dir:" or "int:" are not allowed. The fid field in the the directory entries pointing only files with i-node type of "int:fs-search-index". Those files contain a list of fids and full paths for quick look-up.

I-node type "int:fs-search-index". Is just a simple file containing records. Each record starts with a 16 bytes fid, followed by a zero terminated, UTF-8 full path, starting from the root directory, without the leading '/'. There's no limit how long a path can be.

### **Meta Label Keys**

I-node type "int:fs-meta-labels". Encoded the same way as directory unions, zero terminated, UTF-8 encoded keys ended with a zero. Keys can't be longer than 255 bytes, and there can be maximum 65535 different keys on a file system.

### **Meta Label Values**

These doesn't have an i-node type because they are pointed by metasec field in the i-nodes. Instead they have a header. They are allocated on contiguous sectors, and counted in the i-node's numblocks field. When they grow beyond logical sector size, and the sector right after them isn't free, then these must be relocated, and the metasec field must be updated to point to the new starting logical sector.

They start with a small, fixed sized header for recoverability:

| Offset | Size | Field      | Description  |
|--------|------|------------|--|
| 0      | 4    | magic      | magic bytes 'F', 'S', 'M', 'T'                       |
| 4      | 4    | checksum   | CRC of the data, from byte 8 to end                  |
| 8      | 2    | numentries | number of key-value pairs                            |
| 10     | 2    | size       | size of the entire meta block, including this header |
| 12     | 4    | reserved   | reserved for future use                              |
| 16     | 16   | fid        | back reference to the i-node                         |

This is followed by numentries variable length records

| Offset | Size | Field  | Description                                    |
|--------|------|--------|--|
| 0      | 2    | keyid  | meta label key id                              |
| 2      | 2    | length | (n) length of the (probably binary) data value |
| 4      | n    | value  | meta label value                               |

### The Journal File

I-node type "int:fs-journal" or "int:fs-journal-data" (the latter is used if FSZ\_SB\_JOURNAL\_DATA superblock flag is set. This is a special file that must be pre-allocated using a single extent, cannot have versions, and its data must be placed right after its i-node. The fields journalhead and journaltail implements a circular buffer in this pre-allocated area. Each write to this circular buffer starts with a transaction record, followed by data sectors.

| Offset | Size | Field      | Description                                |
|--------|------|------------|--|
| 0      | 4    | magic      | magic bytes 'F', 'S', 'T', 'R'             |
| 4      | 4    | checksum   | CRC of the sector list, from byte 8 to end |
| 8      | 8    | numentries | number of extents in the transaction       |
| 16     | 8    | transdate  | transaction's timestamp                    |
| 24     | 8    | reserved   | reserved for future use, must be zero      |

This transaction header is followed by numeries times extents in the same format as in sector list, padded to be logical sector size, followed by the logical sectors with the data in order. The padding and the data sectors are not included in the checksum, however extents have their own checksums for the data sectors.

If the type is "int:fs-journal" and FSZ\_SB\_JOURNAL\_DATA superblock flag is not set, then only meta data sectors are written to the journal, but not file data sectors. If type is "int:fs-journal-data", and FSZ\_SB\_JOURNAL\_DATA superblock flag is set, then both meta data and file data sectors are written.

# The CRC32c Calculation Algorithm

The following code can be used to calculate the checksums on an FS/Z file system.

```
/* precalculated CRC32c lookup table for polynomial 0x1EDC6F41 (castagnoli-crc) */
uint32_t crc32c_lookup[256]={
   0x00000000L, 0xF26B8303L, 0xE13B70F7L, 0x1350F3F4L, 0xC79A971FL, 0x35F1141CL, 0x26A1E7E8L, 0xD4CA64EBL,
    0x8AD958CFL, 0x78B2DBCCL, 0x6BE22838L, 0x9989AB3BL, 0x4D43CFD0L, 0xBF284CD3L, 0xAC78BF27L, 0x5E133C24L,
   0x105EC76FL, 0xE235446CL, 0xF165B798L, 0x030E349BL, 0xD7C45070L, 0x25AFD373L, 0x36FF2087L, 0xC494A384L,
   0x9A879FA0L, 0x68EC1CA3L, 0x7BBCEF57L, 0x89D76C54L, 0x5D1D08BFL, 0xAF768BBCL, 0xBC267848L, 0x4E4DFB4BL,
    0x20BD8EDEL, 0xD2D60DDDL, 0xC186FE29L, 0x33ED7D2AL, 0xE72719C1L, 0x154C9AC2L, 0x061C6936L, 0xF477EA35L,
   0xAA64D611L, 0x580F5512L, 0x4B5FA6E6L, 0xB93425E5L, 0x6DFE410EL, 0x9F95C20DL, 0x8CC531F9L, 0x7EAEB2FAL,
   0x30E349B1L, 0xC288CAB2L, 0xD1D83946L, 0x23B3BA45L, 0xF779DEAEL, 0x05125DADL, 0x1642AE59L, 0xE4292D5AL,
   0xBA3A117EL, 0x4851927DL, 0x5B016189L, 0xA96AE28AL, 0x7DA08661L, 0x8FCB0562L, 0x9C9BF696L, 0x6EF07595L,
   0x417B1DBCL, 0xB3109EBFL, 0xA0406D4BL, 0x522BEE48L, 0x86E18AA3L, 0x748A09A0L, 0x67DAFA54L, 0x95B17957L,
   0xCBA24573L, 0x39C9C670L, 0x2A993584L, 0xD8F2B687L, 0x0C38D26CL, 0xFE53516FL, 0xED03A29BL, 0x1F682198L,
   0x5125DAD3L, 0xA34E59D0L, 0xB01EAA24L, 0x42752927L, 0x96BF4DCCL, 0x64D4CECFL, 0x77843D3BL, 0x85EFBE38L,
   0xDBFC821CL, 0x2997011FL, 0x3AC7F2EBL, 0xC8AC71E8L, 0x1C661503L, 0xEE0D9600L, 0xFD5D65F4L, 0x0F36E6F7L,
   0x61C69362L, 0x93AD1061L, 0x80FDE395L, 0x72966096L, 0xA65C047DL, 0x5437877EL, 0x4767748AL, 0xB50CF789L,
   0xEB1FCBADL, 0x197448AEL, 0x0A24BB5AL, 0xF84F3859L, 0x2C855CB2L, 0xDEEDFB1L, 0xCDBE2C45L, 0x3FD5AF46L,
   0x7198540DL, 0x83F3D70EL, 0x90A324FAL, 0x62C8A7F9L, 0xB602C312L, 0x44694011L, 0x5739B3E5L, 0xA55230E6L,
   0xFB410CC2L, 0x092A8FC1L, 0x1A7A7C35L, 0xE811FF36L, 0x3CDB9BDDL, 0xCEB018DEL, 0xDDE0EB2AL, 0x2F8B6829L,
   0x82F63B78L, 0x709DB87BL, 0x63CD4B8FL, 0x91A6C88CL, 0x456CAC67L, 0xB7072F64L, 0xA457DC90L, 0x563C5F93L,
   0x082F63B7L, 0xFA44E0B4L, 0xE9141340L, 0x1B7F9043L, 0xCFB5F4A8L, 0x3DDE77ABL, 0x2E8E845FL, 0xDCE5075CL,
   0x92A8FC17L, 0x60C37F14L, 0x73938CE0L, 0x81F80FE3L, 0x55326B08L, 0xA759E80BL, 0xB4091BFFL, 0x466298FCL,
   0x1871A4D8L, 0xEA1A27DBL, 0xF94AD42FL, 0x0B21572CL, 0xDFEB33C7L, 0x2D80B0C4L, 0x3ED04330L, 0xCCBBC033L,
   0xA24BB5A6L, 0x502036A5L, 0x4370C551L, 0xB11B4652L, 0x65D122B9L, 0x97BAA1BAL, 0x84EA524EL, 0x7681D14DL,
   0x2892ED69L, 0xDAF96E6AL, 0xC9A99D9EL, 0x3BC21E9DL, 0xEF087A76L, 0x1D63F975L, 0x0E330A81L, 0xFC588982L,
   0xB21572C9L, 0x407EF1CAL, 0x532E023EL, 0xA145813DL, 0x758FE5D6L, 0x87E466D5L, 0x94B49521L, 0x66DF1622L,
   0x38CC2A06L, 0xCAA7A905L, 0xD9F75AF1L, 0x2B9CD9F2L, 0xFF56BD19L, 0x0D3D3E1AL, 0x1E6DCDEEL, 0xEC064EEDL,
   0xC38D26C4L, 0x31E6A5C7L, 0x22B65633L, 0xD0DDD530L, 0x0417B1DBL, 0xF67C32D8L, 0xE52CC12CL, 0x1747422FL,
   0x49547E0BL, 0xBB3FFD08L, 0xA86F0EFCL, 0x5A048DFFL, 0x8ECEE914L, 0x7CA56A17L, 0x6FF599E3L, 0x9D9E1AE0L,
   0xD3D3E1ABL, 0x21B862A8L, 0x32E8915CL, 0xC083125FL, 0x144976B4L, 0xE622F5B7L, 0xF5720643L, 0x07198540L,
   0x590AB964L, 0xAB613A67L, 0xB831C993L, 0x4A5A4A90L, 0x9E902E7BL, 0x6CFBAD78L, 0x7FAB5E8CL, 0x8DC0DD8FL,
   0xE330A81AL, 0x115B2B19L, 0x020BD8EDL, 0xF0605BEEL, 0x24AA3F05L, 0xD6C1BC06L, 0xC5914FF2L, 0x37FACCF1L,
   0x69E9F0D5L, 0x9B8273D6L, 0x88D28022L, 0x7AB90321L, 0xAE7367CAL, 0x5C18E4C9L, 0x4F48173DL, 0xBD23943EL,
   0xF36E6F75L, 0x0105EC76L, 0x12551F82L, 0xE03E9C81L, 0x34F4F86AL, 0xC69F7B69L, 0xD5CF889DL, 0x27A40B9EL,
   0x79B737BAL, 0x8BDCB4B9L, 0x988C474DL, 0x6AE7C44EL, 0xBE2DA0A5L, 0x4C4623A6L, 0x5F16D052L, 0xAD7D5351L };
uint32_t crc32_calc(unsigned char *start,int length) {
   uint32_t crc32_val=0;
   while(length--) crc32 val=(crc32 val>>8)^crc32c lookup[(crc32 val&0xff)^(unsigned char)*start++];
    return crc32_val;
```

# **Examples**

# Superblock HexDump

```
0000000
           00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                              00 00 00 00 00 00
                                        00 00
                                                                     | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |
00000200
           46 53 2f
                     5a 01 00
                               01 00
                                        00 00
                                              00 00
                                                     ff 00 00 00
                                                                      |FS/Z....|
00000210
           00 10 00 00 00 00
                               00 00
                                        00 00
                                              00 00
                                                     00 00 00 00
                                                                      | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
           05 00 00 00 00 00
00000220
                               00 00
                                        00 00 00 00
                                                     00 00 00 00
                                                                      . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
00000230
           01
              00
                  00 00
                        00
                            00
                                00 00
                                        00
                                           00
                                               00
                                                  00
                                                      00
                                                         00
                                                             00
                                                                00
           00 00 00 00 00 00
00000240
                               00 00
                                        00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
000002c0
           00 00 00 00 00 00
                                00 00
                                        80 a9 ab 02 32 be 05 00
                                                                      . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 . . . .
000002d0
           80 a9 ab 02 32
                            be
                               05 00
                                        80
                                           a9 ab 02 32 be 05 00
                                                                      | . . . . 2 . . . . . . . 2 . . .
000002e0
           00 00 00 00 00
                            00
                                00 00
                                        3d 3f 63 19 b5 92 e2 03
                                                                      |.....=?c....
000002f0
           08 05 67 60 71 96
                                        00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                      ..g`q......
                               c7 e7
00000300
           00 00 00 00 00 00
                               00 00
                                           00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                      | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |
000003f0
           00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                        46 53 2f 5a 0d 17 el 16
                                                                     |....FS/Z....|
```

loader magic version logsec enctype flags maxmounts currmounts numsec freesec rootdirfid checksum

Logical sector size 4096 bytes (1  $\leq$  (logsec + 11)), number of total logical sectors 0x1000, first free logical sector 5, root directory's i-node at logical sector 1.

### **I-Node HexDump**

```
00001000
            46 53 49 4e fd fa ac 97
                                          64 69 72 3a 66 73 2d 72
                                                                         |FSIN....dir:fs-r|
           6f
               6f 74 00 00
                                                        00 00
00001010
                             00
                                 00 00
                                          00
                                             00
                                                 00
                                                    00
                                                                00 00
                                                                         oot..........
00001020
           00 00 00 00 00 00
                                 00 00
                                          00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                         | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
00001040
                                 00 00
           00 00 00 00 00 00
                                          c0 95 b4 36 32 be 05 00
                                                                         . . . . . . . . . . . . 62 . . . |
00001050
           80 a9
                   ab 02 32 be 05
                                    00
                                          00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                         | . . . . 2 . . . . . . . . . . .
00001060
           00
               00
                   00 00 00
                              00
                                 00 00
                                          01
                                              00
                                                 00 00
                                                        00 00
                                                                00
                                                                   00
                                                                         . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
00001070
           00
               00 00 00 00
                              00
                                 00 00
                                              00
                                                00 00
                                                        00 00
                                                                         | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |
000011c0
            01 00 00 00 00 00
                                 00 00
                                          00 00
                                                00 00
                                                        00 00 00 00
                                                                         . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
000011d0
           80 01 00 00 00
                             00
                                 00 00
                                          00 00 00 00
                                                        00
                                                            00 00 00
                                                                         | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
                          32
                                 05 00
                                          ff
           80 a9
                   ab 02
                              be
                                              00
                                                     00
                                                        00
                                                            00
                                                                00
                                                                   00
000011e0
                                                 00
                                                                         |....2.........
           72 6f 6f 74 00 00
                                 00 00
                                          00
                                              00 00 00
                                                        00 00
                                                                00 17
                                                                         lroot.......
000011f0
00001200
           00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                          00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                         | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |
```

magic checksum mimetype createdate changedate accessdate numblocks numlinks sec size modifydate flags owner permissions

Mime type root directory, number of allocated blocks 0 (inlined data), number of links 1, data sector 1 (inlined), file size 0x180 bytes, flags 0xFF (translation FSZ\_IN\_FLAG\_INLINE). Owner is 756F6F72-0000-0000-0000-000000, has read, write, execute and delete permissions.

# **Directory HexDump**

```
00001400
          46 53 44 52 c4 ff f1 e2
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                  | FSDR........
00001410
          02 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                  | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
00001420
          01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00001430
          00 00 00 00 00 00
                              00 00
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00001480
          02 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                      00 00 00 00
                                                   00 00 00 00
00001490
          61 2f 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                  |a/.....
000014a0 00 00 00 00 00 00
                              00 00
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                  | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |
00001500 04 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
          62 2f 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00001510
                                                                  |b/.....
00001520 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                  | . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |
```

magic checksum GUI properties numentries fid (back reference) fid (1st entry's) filename (1st entry's) fid (2nd entry's) filename (2nd entry's)

No displaying user preferences for the directory, has 2 entries, its i-node is at LSN 1.

The first entry's i-node is at LSN 2, and its name is "a/" (so it is a directory).

The second entry's i-node is at LSN 4, and its name is "b/" (is a directory).