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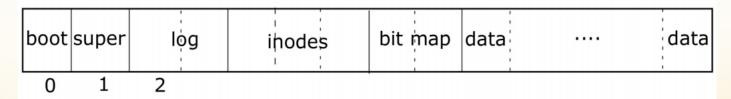
INTRODUCTION

Xv6 operating system

- * Xv6 is a teaching operating system developed in the summer of 2006 for MIT's operating systems course.
- * xv6 is a modern reimplementation of sixth edition unix in ANSI C for multiprocessor x86 and RISC-V systems.
- * XV6 is a lightweight operating system.

File system in xv6

Layout of file system



- * *Block* 0, 1, 2 are fixed
- * Block 0: Boot code
- * Block 1: Super Block, Store metadata about the file system
- * Block 2: Log area, Use for transactions. Maintain consistency in case of a power outrage or system shutdown accidentally

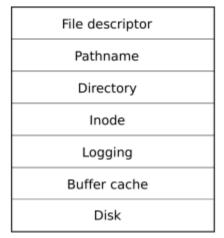
File system in xv6

- Inodes: Unnamed files
- * Bitmap: An area to check which blocks are in use
- Data area: Actual data located

File system in xv6

Bottom up Approach

- * File descriptors
- * Recursive lookup
- Directory Inodes
- * Inodes and Block allocator
- Logging
- * Buffer Cache
- * Disk



Topic

- * The project is based on implementation of pwd command in xv6 operating system.
- * pwd stands for print working directory.
- * It prints the path of the working directory, starting from the root.

MOTIVATION

Need for pwd command

- * Xv6 operating system consists of various system calls and functions.
- * The commands like cd, mkdir, Is are already present in the system.
- * But many times it is necessary to know the current working directory.
- * A function like pwd is not present in the system and so there is a need of such a command.

PROJECT GOAL

Goal

- * The goal of the project is to implement pwd command in the system without disturbing any other part.
- * A system call is needed and pwd userspace program is also needed.
- * The project deals with the file system topic.
- * A few functions are needed to be added to implement this command in the shell.

Design Architecture

System call

- * syscall pwd is assigned an id in syscall.h file.
- * Then to syscall.c definition for system call is added.
- * A pwd function is needed to be defined for user code as well.
- * A header definition for the pwd function is added to user.h.
- * To define the actual function, we need to use assembly (to issue the interrupt to switch to kernel mode). That's already done and defined as SYSCALL macro. A definition for pwd is added to usys. S file.

System call

- * pwd, when called by user code, will use the definition in user.h file.
- * This will be linked to the assembly function generated by the SYSCALL macro.
- * This function moves the SYS_pwd constant into %eax and then issues the interrupt, switching to kernel mode.
- * sysfile.c will include the implementation for system call.

System call

```
int sys_pwd(void) {
    char *p;
    int n;
    struct proc *curproc = myproc();
    if(argint(1, &n) < 0 || argptr(0, &p, n) < 0)
        return -1;
    return name_for_inode(p, n, curproc->cwd);
}
```

Inode

- * In Xv6 (and most Unix file systems), the inode, short for 'index node' (though this may be a backronym), is a number pointing to a specific block on the disk that holds information about the file.
- * On xv6, the inode struct stores only a few pieces of data. However, the inode is a layer of abstraction below the concept of the filesystem hierarchy and file names.
- * The filesystem hierarchy is created with special inodes type T_DIR - which contain a series of dirent structures. Each dirent is a tuple of a string name and an inode which references the file associated with that name.

```
int name of inode(struct inode *ip, struct inode *parent, char
buf[DIRSIZ]) {
    uint off;
    struct dirent de:
    for (off = 0; off < parent->size; off += sizeof(de)) {
         if (readi(parent, (char*)&de, off, sizeof(de)) != sizeof(de))
               panic("couldn't read dir entry");
         if (de.inum == ip->inum) {
               safestrcpy(buf, de.name, DIRSIZ); return 0;
    return -1;
```

- * Directories in the xv6 filesystem are files whose contents are a just a series of dirent structures.
- * Dirent is just a structure of a ushort inode id and a name.
- * That means all this loop does is loop over every directory entry in the directory, loading it into de with readi.
- * If the inode is not found -1 is returned. This happens when the file system is broken.

```
int name_for_inode(char* buf, int n, struct inode *ip) {
   int path_offset;
   struct inode *parent;
   char node_name[DIRSIZ];
   if (ip->inum == namei("/")->inum) {
      buf[0] = '/';
      return 1;
   }
   else if (ip->type == T_DIR) {
```

```
parent = dirlookup(ip, "..", 0);
ilock(parent);
if (name_of_inode(ip, parent, node_name)) {
panic("could not find name of inode in parent!");
path_offset = name_for_inode(buf, n, parent);
safestrcpy(buf + path offset, node name, n - path offset); path offset
+= strlen(node name);
if (path_offset == n - 1) {
   buf[path offset] = '\0';
   return n;
} else {
   buf[path offset++] = '/';
```

```
iunlock(parent);
   return path offset;
else if (ip->type == T DEV || ip->type == T FILE) {
   panic("process cwd is a device node / file, not a
directory!");
} else {
   panic("unknown inode type");
```

- * namei is a wrapper which turns a full path into a inode.
- * If the node is root buf is set to "\".
- * The inode types are defined in stat.h as T_DIR, T_FILE, and T_DEV - a device node.
- * The parent reference is grabbed with dirlookup. ilock makes sure the inode is loaded from disk.
- * Next, name_of_inode function is called and string manipulation is done.
- Finally the inode is released with iput and length of the path is returned

Testing code

```
#include "types.h"
#include "user.h"
#define MAX PATH 512
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    char path[MAX PATH];
    pwd(path, MAX PATH);
    printf(0, "%s\n", path);
    exit();
```

OUTCOME

Result

- * The pwd command was implemented properly with no errors.
- * The command prints the complete path of the current working directory.
- * The previous system gets added with one sytem call pwd .
- * The function recursively derives the path of the current working directory.

Future work

- * The pwd command works in all directories but the other commands like cd, ls, mkdir don't work in the other directories except root directory.
- * If these commands work in all directories then pwd will work at its best.