# EC 440 – Introduction to Operating Systems Project 5 – Discussion

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# Simple Filesystem

# **Capabilities:**

- Create
- Write
- Read
- Delete
- ... files

# "Constraints" from the Description

- One 32Mb underlying "virtual disk" (i.e., a file)
  - Consisting of 8192 4K blocks
  - At least 4096 blocks (i.e., 16Mb) must be available for file storage (i.e., you can use up to 50% of the disk capacity for meta-data)
- You can only access individual and entire blocks through the interface (i.e., block\_read, block\_write)

# "Constraints" from the Description (2)

- Max 64 files at any given time
- Exactly 1 directory (that contains all files)
- Max 15 character filenames

# **How To Organize File Contents?**

### s.t. files can be

- created
- arbitrary in size
- grow/shrink
- be deleted

Let's store file contents in a series of *not necessarily* consecutive blocks on disk!

## Why list of blocks?

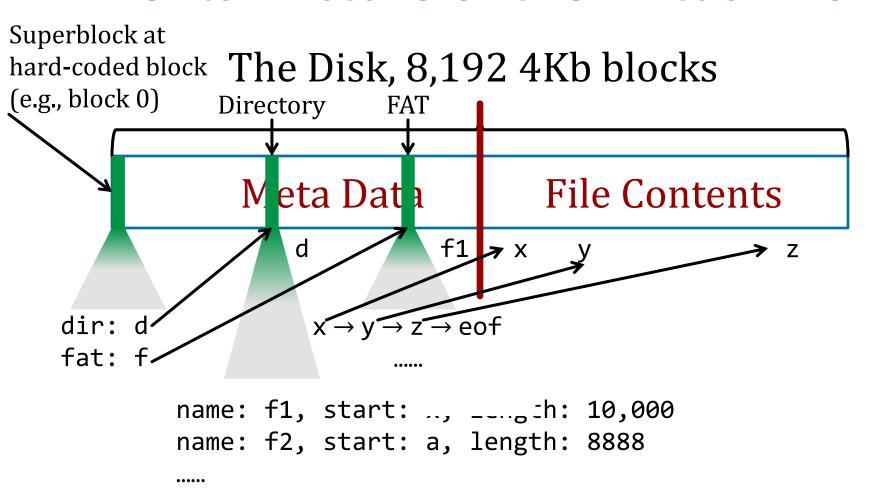
Flexible, easy to grow shrink

### Why not necessarily consecutive?

 Fragmentation might happen (e.g., middle of three files might shrink → block becomes free)

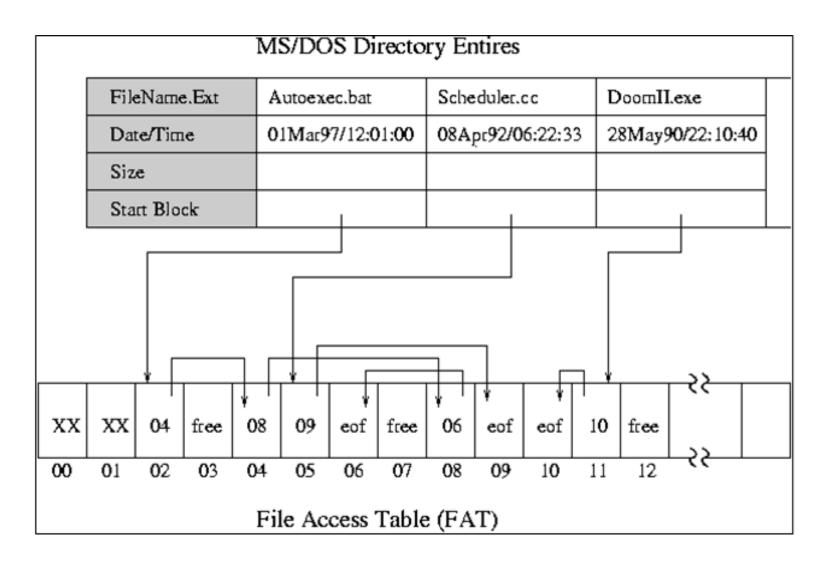
Cool! But HOW?!

# **Mental Picture of the Virtual Disk**



Make a file (f1) of size 3 blocks (e.g., 10,000 bytes)

# **Directory Entries (aka Files) & Content**



# **Want Some Data Structures?**

### Superblock

- Refers to a number of blocks for directory information (dir\_idx, dir\_len)
- Refers to a number of blocks that contains the FAT (fat\_idx, fat\_len)
- Reference to first block of file data (data\_idx)

### **Directory**

Array of dir\_entry-s

### dir\_entry

- Filename
- Filesize
- First Block

### **FAT**

Array of block\_idx'es (or eof, or free)

# Superblock

```
struct super_block {
   int fat_idx; // First block of the FAT
   int fat_len; // Length of FAT in blocks
   int dir_idx; // First block of directory
   int dir_len; // Length of directory in blocks
   int data_idx; // First block of file-data
}
```

# **Directory Entry (File Metadata)**

```
struct dir_entry {
  int used;  // Is this file-"slot" in use
  char name [MAX_F_NAME + 1]; // DOH!
  int size; // file size
  int head;  // first data block of file
  int ref_cnt;
  // how many open file descriptors are there?
  // ref cnt > 0 -> cannot delete file
```

# File Descriptor

# Some Globals You'll Want

### An Aside:

The project is restricted (i.e., simple) enough that you can calculate the size of FAT[] and DIR[] in advance.

# **Deliverables**

- make must produce an fs.o
- Do not modify disk.h
  - If you need additional header files, make new ones (e.g., mydisk.h)
- Do not re-define symbols defined in disk.h/disk.c in your own code!
- Do not include the source of the functions from disk.c in your source code

# **Extra Credit Opportunity**

- Minimum requirement of storage is 16MB
- We'll try storing more data in your FS
- For every x MB > 16MB (x >= 1) that your FS can store, you get floor(ld(x)) + 1 points extra credit (capped at 5 points max)

# Questions?