File System

OS Study Session #8

File descriptor
Pathname
Directory
Inode
Logging
Buffer cache
Disk

Figure 8.1: Layers of the xv6 file system.

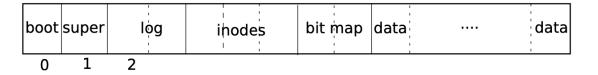


Figure 8.2: Structure of the xv6 file system.

Large files

(moderate)

Problem

- Increase the maximum size of an xv6 file
- Original xv6 file implementation:
 - 12 direct block numbers
 - one singly-indirect block number (refers to a block that holds up to 256 more blocks)
 - O Total of 12+256 = 268 blocks
- Support a doubly-indirect block in each inode

Block Pointers

Direct block Holds 11 addresses

```
ip->addrs[0] --> Data Block 0
ip->addrs[1] --> Data Block 1
...
ip->addrs[10] --> Data Block 10
```

Singly-Indirect block

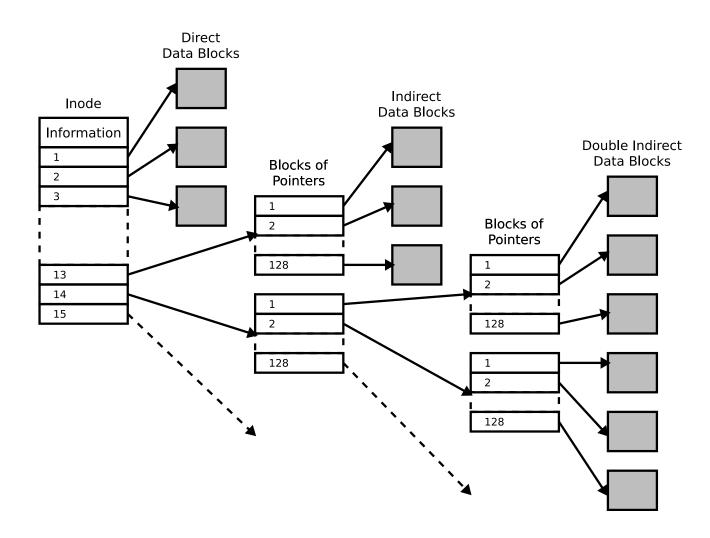
Holds 256 addresses

Doubly-Indirect block

Holds 256 * 256 addresses = 65,536

```
ip->addrs[12] --> Doubly-Indirect Block (256 pointers)
                        +--> Indirect Block 0 (256 pointers)
                               +--> Data Block 267
                                +--> ...
                        +--> Indirect Block 1 (256 pointers)
                               +--> Data Block ...
                        +--> Indirect Block 255
                               +--> Data Block 65802
```

Block Pointers



Change inode structure on fs.h

```
#define NDIRECT 11
#define NINDIRECT (BSIZE / sizeof(uint))
#define MAXFILE (NDIRECT + NINDIRECT + NINDIRECT)
// On-disk inode structure
struct dinode {
 short type; // File type
 short major;  // Major device number (T_DEVICE only)
 short minor;  // Minor device number (T_DEVICE only)
 short nlink;  // Number of links to inode in file system
 uint size;  // Size of file (bytes)
 uint addrs[NDIRECT+2]; // Data block addresses: 11 direct + 1 single indirect + 1 double indirect
```

Implement bmap()

```
static uint
bmap(struct inode *ip, uint bn)
{
    uint addr, *a;
    struct buf *bp;

    if(bn < NDIRECT){
        // direct blocks
        if((addr = ip->addrs[bn]) == 0){
            addr = balloc(ip->dev);
            if(addr == 0)
                  return 0;
            ip->addrs[bn] = addr;
        }
        return addr;
    }
    bn -= NDIRECT;
```

```
if(bn < NINDIRECT){</pre>
  // load singly-indirect
  if((addr = ip->addrs[NDIRECT]) == 0){
    addr = balloc(ip->dev);
    if(addr == 0)
      return 0;
    ip->addrs[NDIRECT] = addr;
  bp = bread(ip->dev, addr);
  a = (uint*)bp->data;
 if((addr = a[bn]) == 0){
    addr = balloc(ip->dev);
    if(addr){
      a[bn] = addr;
      log_write(bp);
  brelse(bp);
  return addr;
```

- If bn < 11: direct blocks
- If bn < 11 + 256: singly-indirect
- If bn < 11 + 256 + 256×256: doubly-indirect

```
bn -= NINDIRECT;
if(bn < NINDIRECT * NINDIRECT){</pre>
  // load doubly-indirect
  if((addr = ip->addrs[NDIRECT + 1]) == 0){
    addr = balloc(ip->dev);
    if(addr == 0)
      return 0;
    ip->addrs[NDIRECT + 1] = addr;
  // read doubly-indirect block
  bp = bread(ip->dev, addr);
  a = (uint*)bp->data;
  uint i1 = bn / NINDIRECT;
  uint i2 = bn % NINDIRECT;
  if((addr = a[i1]) == 0){
    addr = balloc(ip->dev);
    if(addr == 0){
     brelse(bp);
      return 0;
    a[i1] = addr;
    log_write(bp);
  brelse(bp);
  // read singly-indirect block pointed to by the doubly-indirect
  bp = bread(ip->dev, a[i1]);
  a = (uint*)bp->data;
  if((addr = a[i2]) == 0){
    addr = balloc(ip->dev);
   if(addr){
      a[i2] = addr;
      log_write(bp);
  brelse(bp);
  return addr;
```

Implement itrunc()

```
itrunc(struct inode *ip)
 int i, j;
 struct buf *bp;
 uint *a;
 for(i = 0; i < NDIRECT; i++){</pre>
   if(ip->addrs[i]){
     bfree(ip->dev, ip->addrs[i]);
     ip->addrs[i] = 0;
 // free singly indirect block
 if(ip->addrs[NDIRECT]){
   bp = bread(ip->dev, ip->addrs[NDIRECT]);
   a = (uint*)bp->data;
   for(j = 0; j < NINDIRECT; j++){
     if(a[i])
       bfree(ip->dev, a[j]);
   brelse(bp);
   bfree(ip->dev, ip->addrs[NDIRECT]);
   ip->addrs[NDIRECT] = 0;
```

```
// free doubly indirect blocks
if(ip->addrs[NDIRECT + 1]){
  struct buf *bp1 = bread(ip->dev, ip->addrs[NDIRECT + 1]);
  uint *a1 = (uint*)bp1->data;
  for(i = 0; i < NINDIRECT; i++){</pre>
    if(a1[i]){
      struct buf *bp2 = bread(ip->dev, a1[i]);
      uint *a2 = (uint*)bp2->data;
      for(j = 0; j < NINDIRECT; j++){
       if(a2[j]){
          bfree(ip->dev, a2[j]); // free data block
      brelse(bp2);
      bfree(ip->dev, a1[i]); // free singly-indirect block
  brelse(bp1);
  bfree(ip->dev, ip->addrs[NDIRECT + 1]); // free doubly-indirect block
  ip->addrs[NDIRECT + 1] = 0;
// reset filesize and update inode
ip->size = 0;
iupdate(ip);
```

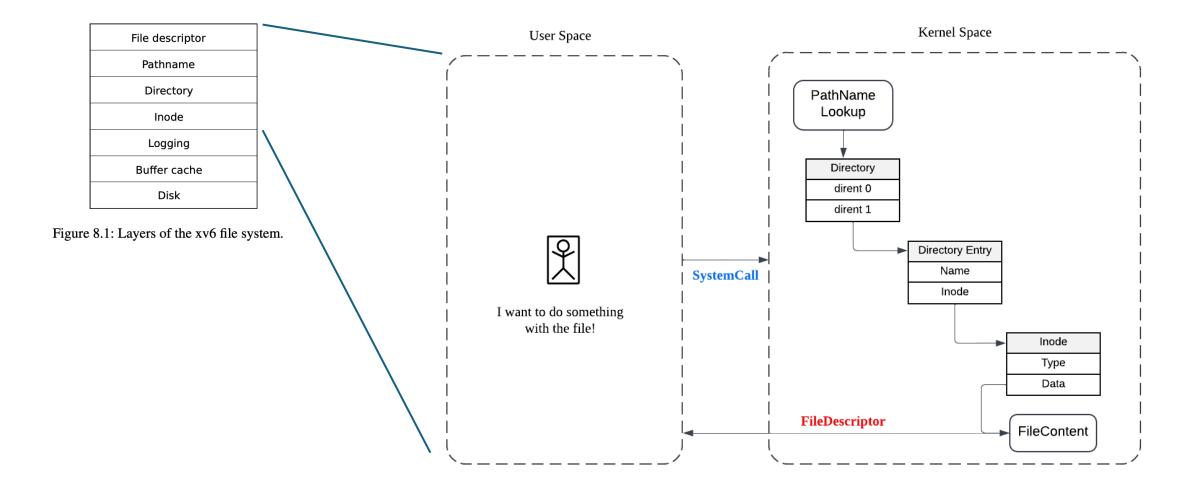
Change structure on file.h

```
// in-memory copy of an inode
struct inode {
 uint dev; // Device number
 uint inum;
                  // Inode number
 int ref; // Reference count
 struct sleeplock lock; // protects everything below here
 int valid;  // inode has been read from disk?
 short type; // copy of disk inode
 short major;
 short minor;
 short nlink;
 uint size;
 uint addrs[NDIRECT+2];
};
```

How the inodes are managed

Directory – Path – File Descriptor

Filesystem Layers

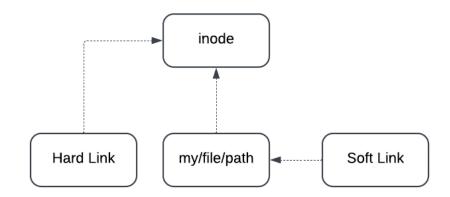


Symbolic links

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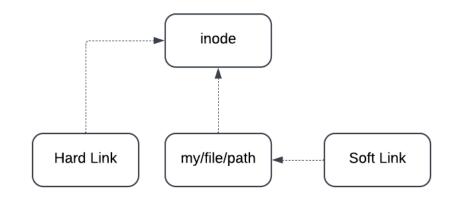
Problem

- Implementing a new system call: symlink(char *target, char*path)
- Two types of Link
 - Hard Link: Reference to the actual inode
 - Symbolic Link: Reference to the **name** (whatever the inode is)



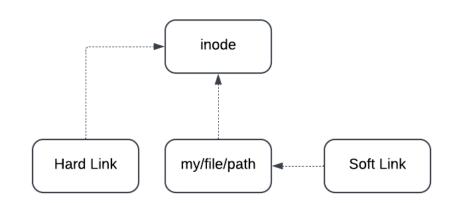
Hints

- Preparation for new system call
 - Create a new syscall number
 - Define a new syscall entry
- Implement sys_symlink(void) in kernel/sysfile.c
 - Define
 - Filetype: T_SYMLINK
 - File Open Flag: O_NOFOLLOW
 - No need to care if target inode exists
 - Save target path in inode's data block



Good reference: sys_link

- Limitation of the hard link
 - Target inode should be existing
 - Target inode should share the same device
- If above two conditions are met -> create directory entry with the target inode!



Good reference: sys_link (code)

```
// Create the path new as a link to the same inode as old.
uint64
sys link(void)
 char name [DIRSIZ], new [MAXPATH], old [MAXPATH];
 struct inode *dp, *ip;
 if(argstr(0, old, MAXPATH) < 0 \mid | argstr(1, new, MAXPATH) < 0)
 begin op();
 if((ip = namei(old)) == 0){ // check if old (inode) exists
   end_op();
   return -1;
  // INVARIANT: old does exist
 ilock(ip);
 if(ip->type == T_DIR){
   iunlockput(ip); // if it's a directory, we can't link it
   end_op();
   return -1;
  ip->nlink++; // increment the link count of the inode
 iupdate(ip);
 iunlock(ip);
 if((dp = nameiparent(new, name)) == 0) // parent directory of the new must exist
   goto bad;
 ilock(dp);
 if(dp\rightarrow dev != ip\rightarrow dev || dirlink(dp, name, ip\rightarrow inum) < \emptyset){}
   // new's parent directory must be on the same device as the existing node
   // and the new directory entry must be created in the parent directory
   iunlockput(dp);
   goto bad;
 iunlockput(dp);
 iput(ip);
 end_op();
 return 0;
```

Implement system call *symlink* – (1)

• Some of predefinition for system call / new file type

user/usys.pl

```
entry("open");
27
         entry("mknod");
28
29
         entry("unlink");
         entry("fstat");
31
         entry("link");
32
         entry("mkdir");
         entry("chdir");
33
         entry("dup");
         entry("getpid");
35
         entry("sbrk");
37
         entry("sleep");
38
         entry("uptime");
     39+ entry("symlink");
```

user/user.h

kernel/stat.h

kernel/fcntl.h

Implement system call *symlink* – (2)

- Define a new function sys_symlink(void)
 - dirlink(struct inode *dp, char *name, uint inum)
 - dirlookup(struct inode *dp, char *name, uint *poff)
- Modify sys_open(void) for new file type (T_SYMLINK)
 - writei(struct inode *ip, ..., uint n)
 - readi(struct inode *ip, ..., uint n)
 - namex(char *path, int nameiparent, char *name)

Implement system call *symlink* – (3)

- Define a new function sys_symlink(void)
 - dirlink(struct inode *dp, char *name, uint inum)
 - dirlookup(struct inode *dp, char *name, uint *poff)

```
// Create the path new as a soft link to the target path name
uint64
sys_symlink(void)
 char new[MAXPATH], target[MAXPATH];
 struct inode *tp;
 if(argstr(0, target, MAXPATH) < 0 || argstr(1, new, MAXPATH) < 0)
   return -1;
  if((tp = namei(new)) != 0) { // check if the inode with the same name as new exists}
   end op():
   return -1;
  if((tp = create(new, T_SYMLINK, 0, 0)) == 0){ // create a new inode for the symling
   end_op();
   return -1;
 if (writei(tp, 0, (uint64)target, 0, MAXPATH) < 0){ // write a target path to the inod
   iunlockput(tp);
    end op();
    return -1;
```

Implement system call *symlink* – (2)

- Modify sys_open(void) for new file type (T_SYMLINK)
 - writei(struct inode *ip, ..., uint n)
 - readi(struct inode *ip, ..., uint n)
 - namex(char *path, int nameiparent, char *name)

```
if (ip->type == T_SYMLINK && (omode & O_NOFOLLOW) == 0) { // Follow the link until we reach
if ((tp looksimlink(ip)) == -1) {
   iunlockput(ip);
   end_op();
   return -1;
   }
   ilock(tp);
   ip = tp;
}

return -1;
```

```
struct inode*
looksimlink(struct inode *ip) {
  int i;
  for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    char target[MAXPATH];
    if ((readi(ip, 0, (uint64)target, 0, MAXPATH)) < 0) {</pre>
      return -1; // read the target path from the inode
   if ((ip = namei(target) == 0) {
      return -1;
   if (ip->type != T_SYMLINK) { // if it's an actual file, return i
      return ip;
  iunlockput(ip);
 return -1; // if we reach here, it means we have a cyclic symlink
```