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REPORT

DISK SPACE ANALYSER

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ABSTRACT

A disk space analyzer is a crucial tool in operating systems designed to efficiently manage storage resources. It provides users with a visual representation of disk usage, identifying large files and directories that consume significant space. By presenting this information in a comprehensible format, disk space analyzers facilitate informed decision-making regarding file organization, cleanup, and storage optimization, ultimately enhancing system performance and resource utilization.

This document explores C programs designed to analyze disk space usage on a Linux system. The first program offers a versatile suite of tools for examining directory contents. It can navigate directories, gathering information on files and subdirectories. Users can explore a directory structure, identifying file sizes and types. The program can also determine total and free disk space, identify the largest files and average file size, and count various file types like regular files, directories, symbolic links, and hard links.

The second program focuses on calculating the amount of disk space used by files within a specified directory. It can optionally filter files based on a user-provided minimum and maximum file size range. The program employs a hierarchical approach to examine the directory structure and utilizes system calls to gather information about files and directories. It also incorporates functionality to analyze the last modified time of files within the directory. This analysis helps users understand when files were last changed and can be used to identify infrequently accessed files.

In conclusion, both programs serve the purpose of analyzing disk space usage on a Linux system. The first program provides a broader set of tools for general directory exploration, while the second program offers a more targeted approach to calculating disk space used within a directory while optionally considering file size and last-modified times.

INTRODUCTION

A Disk Space Analyzer is a utility tool that helps users understand how disk space is being utilized on their computer. It scans the hard drive (or a specific folder) and provides a detailed view of which folders and files are using space1. This allows users to make informed decisions about what to remove to quickly free up space. It aims to provide a comprehensive solution for analyzing and managing disk space usage on computer systems. The provided code is a C program designed to analyze disk space usage within a specified directory, optionally filtering files based on size constraints. It recursively traverses directories, calculating the total space consumed by files falling within the specified size range. Additionally, it analyzes the distribution of file counts based on their last modified time, providing insights into temporal patterns of file activity. This tool offers valuable functionality for understanding and managing storage resources efficiently within an operating system environment

The first functionality revolves around directory exploration. It employs a recursive approach to traverse the directory structure of a user-specified path. During this traversal, the program gathers information on each file and subdirectory encountered. This information includes file size, file type (regular file, directory, symbolic link, etc.), and total and free disk space available within the chosen directory. Furthermore, the program identifies the largest files and calculates the average file size within the directory, providing insights into how storage is being utilized.

The second functionality focuses on calculating the total disk space consumed by files within a specified directory path. Here, the program offers an optional filtering mechanism based on a user-provided minimum and maximum file size range. This allows for targeted analysis of specific file size categories that might be contributing significantly to storage consumption. Additionally, the program analyzes the last modified time of files within the directory. This functionality can be valuable for identifying infrequently accessed files, which could be potential candidates for removal or archiving to free up storage space.

By leveraging the system calls provided by the C standard library, the program interacts with the Ubuntu file system to gather the necessary data. Functions like stat, lstat, and

opendir are employed to retrieve file attributes, explore directory contents, and calculate storage usage. The program adheres to best practices for memory management, including dynamically allocating and freeing memory as needed, to ensure efficient resource utilization.

This research delves into the implementation details of the program, providing a breakdown of the algorithms employed for directory traversal, file size calculation, and last modified time analysis. Additionally, the research will explore potential improvements and future enhancements to the program. These might include the incorporation of functionalities like visualization tools to represent storage usage graphically or the ability to analyze specific file types for targeted cleanup strategies.

In conclusion, this research investigates a C program designed to analyze disk space usage on Ubuntu. By offering functionalities for comprehensive directory exploration, targeted file size analysis, and last modified time analysis, the program empowers users to gain valuable insights into their storage allocation. Evaluating the program's effectiveness and exploring potential improvements will contribute to the development of robust tools for efficient disk space management on Linux systems.

SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

The program offers two key functionalities:

1. **Comprehensive Directory Exploration:** This function delves into the contents of a user-specified directory, providing a detailed analysis of storage allocation.
2. **Targeted File Size Analysis with Last Modified Time Examination:** This function allows users to focus on specific file size categories and analyze the last modified time of files within a directory.

Both functionalities rely on efficient file system interaction and user interaction to deliver valuable insights for storage management.

Core System Components:

- **System Calls:** The program leverages system calls provided by the C standard library to interact with the Ubuntu file system. These calls include functions like stat, lstat, opendir, and closedir for retrieving file information, exploring directory structures, calculating storage usage, and managing directory streams effectively.
- **Memory Management:** The program adheres to best practices for memory management. It dynamically allocates memory as needed while traversing the directory structure and analyzing files. This ensures efficient resource utilization and prevents memory leaks.

Directory Exploration Functionality:

1. **User Input:** The program begins by prompting the user to specify a directory path for analysis.
2. **Recursive Traversal:** Once the path is provided, the program employs a recursive algorithm to traverse the directory structure. It starts with the root directory specified by the user and systematically iterates through all subdirectories and files within that path.
3. **File Information Gathering:** During the traversal, the program gathers information on each file encountered. This information includes file size, file type (regular file, directory, symbolic link, etc.), and timestamps (creation time and last modified time). System calls like stat and lstat are used to retrieve these details.

4. **Storage Analysis:** The program calculates the total disk space consumed by all files within the specified directory and its subdirectories. It achieves this by accumulating the file sizes encountered during the traversal. Additionally, it can determine the free disk space available within the chosen directory using system calls like statvfs.
5. **Large File Identification and Average Size Calculation:** The program can identify the largest files within the directory, providing insight into potential areas for storage optimization. It can also calculate the average file size within the directory, offering a general understanding of how storage space is being distributed.

Targeted File Size Analysis with Last Modified Time Examination:

1. **Optional User Input:** In addition to the directory path, the program allows users to optionally specify a minimum and maximum file size range. This enables them to filter the analysis and focus on specific file size categories that might be contributing significantly to storage consumption.
2. **File Size Filtering:** During the directory traversal, the program considers the user-provided file size range (if any). It only accumulates the storage space occupied by files that fall within the specified size range.
3. **Last Modified Time Analysis:** The program retrieves the last modified time for each file within the directory. This information can be valuable for identifying infrequently accessed files. Users can then make informed decisions about archiving or removing such files to free up storage space.

By combining these functionalities, the program empowers users to gain a comprehensive understanding of their disk space usage on Ubuntu. It provides valuable insights for optimizing storage allocation and managing file systems effectively.

METHODOLOGY

This methodology analyzes disk space usage on Ubuntu. It employs a recursive algorithm to explore directory structures, gathering file size, type, and timestamps for comprehensive analysis. Total and free disk space are calculated, along with identifying large files and average size. Optionally, users can define a file size range to target specific categories and analyze last modified times to pinpoint infrequently accessed files for potential removal or archiving, aiding in storage optimization.

1. **Comprehensive Directory Exploration:**

   This method involves a thorough examination of a directory structure to understand how storage space is being utilized. Here's how it works:

   - **User Input:** The process begins by specifying the directory path to be analyzed. This path serves as the starting point for the exploration.
   - **Recursive Traversal:** A recursive algorithm is employed to systematically traverse the entire directory tree. It starts with the chosen directory and explores all subdirectories and files within it, ensuring no area is left unchecked.
   - **File Information Gathering:** During the traversal, critical details about each encountered file are collected. This information typically includes file size, file type (regular file, directory, symbolic link, etc.), and timestamps (creation and last modified time). System calls like stat and lstat are often used for this purpose.
   - **Storage Analysis:** As the exploration progresses, the file sizes of all encountered files are accumulated. This cumulative total represents the total disk space consumed by all files within the specified directory and its subdirectories. Additionally, system calls like statvfs can be used to determine the free disk space available within the chosen directory.
   - **Large File Identification and Average Size Calculation:** By analyzing the gathered file size data, the largest files within the directory can be

identified. This helps pinpoint areas where significant storage is being used. The method can also calculate the average file size within the directory, providing a general understanding of how storage space is distributed across different files.

2. **Targeted File Size Analysis with Last Modified Time Examination:**

   This method focuses on specific file size categories and analyzes how recently files have been accessed:

   - **Optional User Input:** In this approach, users can optionally specify a minimum and maximum file size range. This allows them to filter the analysis and focus on specific file size categories that might be contributing significantly to storage consumption.
   - **File Size Filtering:** During the exploration process, the program considers the user-provided file size range (if any). It only accumulates storage space occupied by files that fall within the specified size criteria. This filtering functionality enables a more targeted analysis based on user requirements.
   - **Last Modified Time Analysis:** The program retrieves the last modified time for each file within the directory. This information can be valuable for identifying files that haven't been accessed in a long time. Users can then leverage this data to make informed decisions about archiving or removing such files to free up storage space.

By employing these methodologies, users on Ubuntu can gain valuable insights into their disk space usage. This empowers them to optimize storage allocation, manage their file systems effectively, and identify potential areas for storage optimization.

SOURCE CODE

CODE 1:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <dirent.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <sys/statvfs.h>

void listFiles(const char *path);
int isDirectory(const char *path);
void printFileSize(long size);
void printFileDetails(const char *filename, long size);
long totalDiskSpace(const char *path);
long freeDiskSpace(const char *path);
void largestFiles(const char *path, int count);
double averageFileSize(const char *path);
int fileCount(const char *path);
int directoryCount(const char *path);
int symbolicLinkCount(const char *path);
int hardLinkCount(const char *path);

void listFiles(const char *path) {
    struct dirent *entry;
    DIR *dir = opendir(path);

    if (dir == NULL) {
        perror("opendir");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    while ((entry = readdir(dir)) != NULL) {
        char full_path[1024];
        struct stat file_stat;
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        // Skip special directories "." and ".."
        if (strcmp(entry->d_name, ".") == 0 || strcmp(entry->d_name, "..") == 0)
            continue;

        // Build full path
        snprintf(full_path, sizeof(full_path), "%s/%s", path, entry->d_name);

        // Get file information
        if (stat(full_path, &file_stat) == -1) {
            perror("stat");
            closedir(dir);
            exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
        }

        // If it's a directory, list its contents recursively
        if (S_ISDIR(file_stat.st_mode)) {
            printf("Directory: %s\n", full_path);
            listFiles(full_path);
        } else {
            // Print file details
            printFileDetails(entry->d_name, file_stat.st_size);
        }
    }

    closedir(dir);
}

int isDirectory(const char *path) {
    struct stat path_stat;
    if (stat(path, &path_stat) != 0) {
        perror("stat");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }
    return S_ISDIR(path_stat.st_mode);
}

void printFileSize(long size) {
    const char *units[] = {"B", "KB", "MB", "GB", "TB"};
```

```
    int unit_index = 0;
    double size_in_units = (double)size;

    while (size_in_units >= 1024 && unit_index < sizeof(units) / sizeof(units[0]) - 1) {
        size_in_units /= 1024;
        unit_index++;
    }

    printf("%.1f %s", size_in_units, units[unit_index]);
}

void printFileDetails(const char *filename, long size) {
    printf("%s\t", filename);
    printFileSize(size);
    printf("\n");
}

long totalDiskSpace(const char *path) {
    long total_space = 0;
    DIR *dir = opendir(path);
    if (dir == NULL) {
        perror("opendir");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    struct dirent *entry;
    while ((entry = readdir(dir)) != NULL) {
        if (strcmp(entry->d_name, ".") == 0 || strcmp(entry->d_name, "..") == 0)
            continue;

        char full_path[1024];
        snprintf(full_path, sizeof(full_path), "%s/%s", path, entry->d_name);

        struct stat st;
        if (lstat(full_path, &st) == -1) {
            perror("stat");
            closedir(dir);
            exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
        }
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        total_space += st.st_size;
        if (S_ISDIR(st.st_mode))
            total_space += totalDiskSpace(full_path);
    }

    closedir(dir);
    return total_space;
}

long freeDiskSpace(const char *path) {
    struct statvfs vfs;
    if (statvfs(path, &vfs) == -1) {
        perror("statvfs");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }
    return vfs.f_bfree * vfs.f_frsize;
}

void largestFiles(const char *path, int count) {
    printf("Largest %d files in %s:\n", count, path);
    DIR *dir = opendir(path);
    if (dir == NULL) {
        perror("opendir");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    struct dirent *entry;
    while ((entry = readdir(dir)) != NULL) {
        if (strcmp(entry->d_name, ".") == 0 || strcmp(entry->d_name, "..") == 0)
            continue;

        char full_path[1024];
        snprintf(full_path, sizeof(full_path), "%s/%s", path, entry->d_name);

        struct stat st;
        if (lstat(full_path, &st) == -1) {
            perror("stat");
            closedir(dir);
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            exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
        }

        if (!S_ISDIR(st.st_mode))
            printf("%s\t%ld bytes\n", full_path, st.st_size);
    }

    closedir(dir); // Close the directory after processing
}

double averageFileSize(const char *path) {
    int num_files = fileCount(path);
    long total_size = totalDiskSpace(path);
    return (double)total_size / num_files;
}

int fileCount(const char *path) {
    int count = 0;
    DIR *dir = opendir(path);
    if (dir == NULL) {
        perror("opendir");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    struct dirent *entry;
    while ((entry = readdir(dir)) != NULL) {
        if (strcmp(entry->d_name, ".") == 0 || strcmp(entry->d_name, "..") == 0)
            continue;

        char full_path[1024];
        snprintf(full_path, sizeof(full_path), "%s/%s", path, entry->d_name);

        struct stat st;
        if (lstat(full_path, &st) == -1) {
            perror("stat");
            closedir(dir);
            exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
        }
```

```
        if (!S_ISDIR(st.st_mode))
            count++;
    }

    closedir(dir);
    return count;
}

int directoryCount(const char *path) {
    int count = 0;
    DIR *dir = opendir(path);
    if (dir == NULL) {
        perror("opendir");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    struct dirent *entry;
    while ((entry = readdir(dir)) != NULL) {
        if (strcmp(entry->d_name, ".") == 0 || strcmp(entry->d_name, "..") == 0)
            continue;

        char full_path[1024];
        snprintf(full_path, sizeof(full_path), "%s/%s", path, entry->d_name);

        struct stat st;
        if (lstat(full_path, &st) == -1) {
            perror("stat");
            closedir(dir);
            exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
        }

        if (S_ISDIR(st.st_mode))
            count++;
    }

    closedir(dir);
    return count;
}
```

```
int symbolicLinkCount(const char *path) {
    int count = 0;
    DIR *dir = opendir(path);
    if (dir == NULL) {
        perror("opendir");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    struct dirent *entry;
    while ((entry = readdir(dir)) != NULL) {
        if (strcmp(entry->d_name, ".") == 0 || strcmp(entry->d_name, "..") == 0)
            continue;

        char full_path[1024];
        snprintf(full_path, sizeof(full_path), "%s/%s", path, entry->d_name);

        struct stat st;
        if (lstat(full_path, &st) == -1) {
            perror("lstat");
            closedir(dir);
            exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
        }

        if (S_ISLNK(st.st_mode))
            count++;
    }

    closedir(dir);
    return count;
}

int hardLinkCount(const char *path) {
    struct stat file_stat;
    if (lstat(path, &file_stat) == -1) {
        perror("lstat");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    return file_stat.st_nlink;
```

```
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    if (argc != 2) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Usage: %s <directory>\n", argv[0]);
        return EXIT_FAILURE;
    }

    if (!isDirectory(argv[1])) {
        fprintf(stderr, "%s is not a directory.\n", argv[1]);
        return EXIT_FAILURE;
    }

    printf("Total disk space: ");
    printFileSize(totalDiskSpace(argv[1]));
    printf("\n");

    printf("Free disk space: ");
    printFileSize(freeDiskSpace(argv[1]));
    printf("\n");

    printf("Average file size: %.2f bytes\n", averageFileSize(argv[1]));

    printf("Number of files: %d\n", fileCount(argv[1]));

    printf("Number of directories: %d\n", directoryCount(argv[1]));

    printf("Number of symbolic links: %d\n", symbolicLinkCount(argv[1]));

    printf("Number of hard links: %d\n", hardLinkCount(argv[1]));

    largestFiles(argv[1], 5); // Print the largest 5 files

    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

CODE 2:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <dirent.h>
#include <time.h>

long long calculateDiskSpace(char *path, long long minSize, long long maxSize);
void analyzeLastModifiedTime(char *path);

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    if (argc < 2 || argc > 4) {
        printf("Usage: %s <directory> [min_size] [max_size]\n", argv[0]);
        printf("Optional: [min_size] and [max_size] to filter files within the specified range.\n");
        return 1;
    }

    char *path = argv[1];
    long long minSize = -1, maxSize = -1;

    if (argc >= 3) {
        minSize = atoll(argv[2]);
    }
    if (argc >= 4) {
        maxSize = atoll(argv[3]);
    }

    long long totalSpace = calculateDiskSpace(path, minSize, maxSize);
    printf("Total disk space used by %s", path);
    if (minSize != -1 || maxSize != -1) {
        printf(" within the size range ");
        if (minSize != -1) {
            printf(">= %lld bytes ", minSize);
        }
        if (maxSize != -1) {
            printf("and <= %lld bytes ", maxSize);
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        }
    }
    printf(": %lld bytes\n", totalSpace);

    // Analyze last modified time
    analyzeLastModifiedTime(path);

    return 0;
}

long long calculateDiskSpace(char *path, long long minSize, long long maxSize) {
    struct stat statbuf;
    long long totalSpace = 0;

    if (lstat(path, &statbuf) == -1) {
        perror("lstat");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    if (S_ISREG(statbuf.st_mode)) { // If it's a regular file
        if ((minSize == -1 || statbuf.st_size >= minSize) && (maxSize == -1 || statbuf.st_size <= maxSize)) {
            return statbuf.st_size;
        } else {
            return 0; // File not within size range
        }
    } else if (S_ISDIR(statbuf.st_mode)) { // If it's a directory
        DIR *dir;
        struct dirent *entry;

        dir = opendir(path);
        if (dir == NULL) {
            perror("opendir");
            exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
        }

        while ((entry = readdir(dir)) != NULL) {
            if (strcmp(entry->d_name, ".") != 0 && strcmp(entry->d_name, "..") != 0) {
                char *newPath = malloc(strlen(path) + strlen(entry->d_name) + 2);
                sprintf(newPath, "%s/%s", path, entry->d_name);
```

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            totalSpace += calculateDiskSpace(newPath, minSize, maxSize);
            free(newPath);
        }
    }

    closedir(dir);
}

return totalSpace;
}

void analyzeLastModifiedTime(char *path) {
    DIR *dir;
    struct dirent *entry;

    dir = opendir(path);
    if (dir == NULL) {
        perror("opendir");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    // Array to store counts of files based on last modified time
    int counts[24] = {0}; // Count of files for each hour of the day

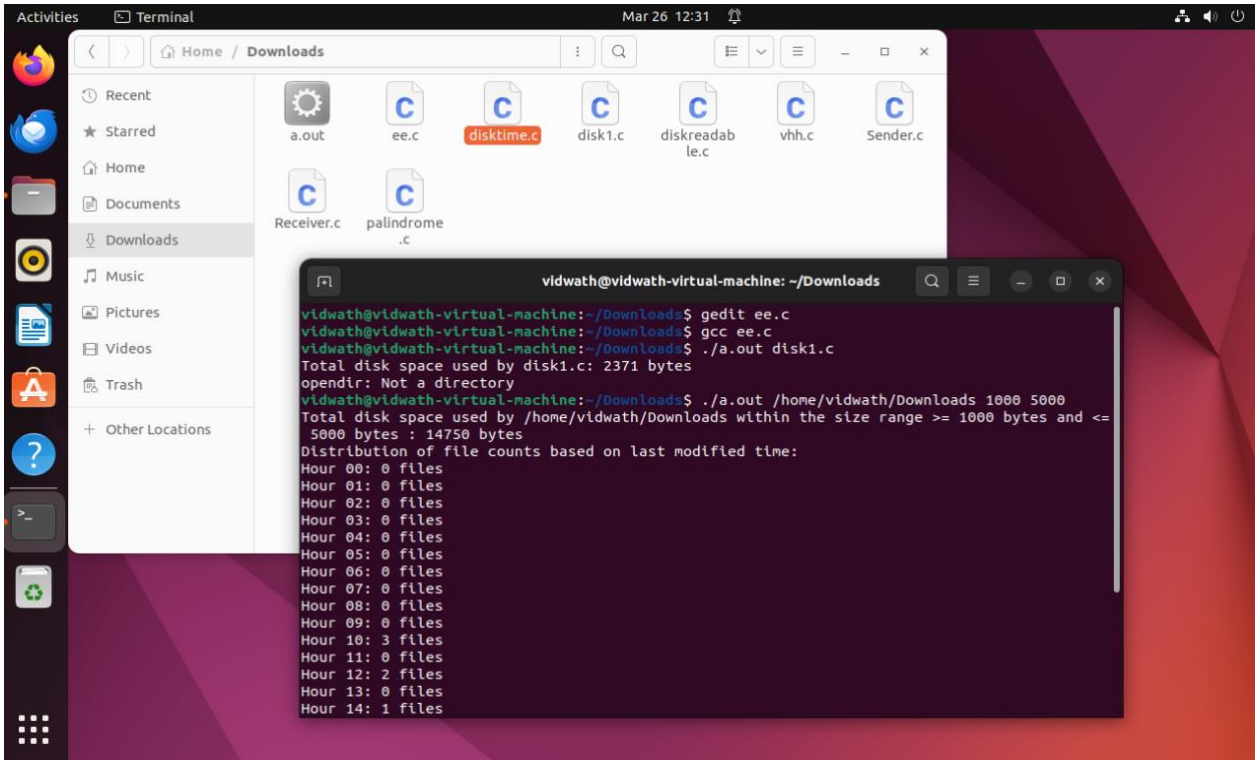
    while ((entry = readdir(dir)) != NULL) {
        if (strcmp(entry->d_name, ".") != 0 && strcmp(entry->d_name, "..") != 0) {
            char *newPath = malloc(strlen(path) + strlen(entry->d_name) + 2);
            sprintf(newPath, "%s/%s", path, entry->d_name);

            struct stat statbuf;
            if (stat(newPath, &statbuf) != -1) {
                time_t modTime = statbuf.st_mtime;
                struct tm *tm_info = localtime(&modTime);
                int hour = tm_info->tm_hour;
                counts[hour]++;
            }
            free(newPath);
        }
    }
```

```
    closedir(dir);

    // Display distribution of file counts based on last modified time
    printf("Distribution of file counts based on last modified time:\n");
    for (int i = 0; i < 24; i++) {
        printf("Hour %02d: %d files\n", i, counts[i]);
    }
}
```

OUTPUT


Activities
Terminal
Mar 26 12:31
Home / Downloads
Recent
Starred
Home
Documents
Downloads
Music
Pictures
Videos
Trash
Other Locations
a.out
ee.c
disktime.c
disk1.c
diskreadable.c
vhh.c
Sender.c
Receiver.c
palindrome.c
vidwath@vidwath-virtual-machine: ~/Downloads
vidwath@vidwath-virtual-machine:~/Downloads$ gedit ee.c
vidwath@vidwath-virtual-machine:~/Downloads$ gcc ee.c
vidwath@vidwath-virtual-machine:~/Downloads$ ./a.out disk1.c
Total disk space used by disk1.c: 2371 bytes
opendir: Not a directory
vidwath@vidwath-virtual-machine:~/Downloads$ ./a.out /home/vidwath/Downloads 1000 5000
Total disk space used by /home/vidwath/Downloads within the size range >= 1000 bytes and <=
5000 bytes : 14750 bytes
Distribution of file counts based on last modified time:
Hour 00: 0 files
Hour 01: 0 files
Hour 02: 0 files
Hour 03: 0 files
Hour 04: 0 files
Hour 05: 0 files
Hour 06: 0 files
Hour 07: 0 files
Hour 08: 0 files
Hour 09: 0 files
Hour 10: 3 files
Hour 11: 0 files
Hour 12: 2 files
Hour 13: 0 files
Hour 14: 1 files

```
shriniwas@shriniwas:~/Downloads$ gcc -o code0 code0.c
shriniwas@shriniwas:~/Downloads$ ./code0 /home/shriniwas/Downloads
Total disk space: 415.7 KB
Free disk space: 27.7 GB
Average file size: 17026.44 bytes
Number of files: 25
Number of directories: 1
Number of symbolic links: 0
Number of hard links: 3
Largest 5 files in /home/shriniwas/Downloads:
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/code0 71448 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/disk.c        3687 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/dsa.c 4766 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/cp.c  800 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/ls.c  1231 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/disk_space_analyzer.c 3336 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/2.c   2245 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/mv.c  552 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/a.out 71120 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/analyser.c    5782 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/a.c   271 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/2.txt 7447 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/code0.c       7733 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/code3.c       5622 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/binary.c      1054 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/shriniwas.c   3687 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/analyser      71336 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/rm.c  138 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/code1.c       3687 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/1.c   9589 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/file1.c       2332 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/analyer       71336 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/file1 71072 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/ls.cp 1231 bytes
/home/shriniwas/Downloads/lol.txt       63 bytes
```

```
shriniwas@shriniwas:~/Downloads$ ./a.out /home/shriniwas/Downloads 100 3000
Total disk space used by /home/shriniwas/Downloads within the size range >= 100 bytes and <= 3000 bytes : 9854 bytes
Distribution of file counts based on last modified time:
Hour 00: 0 files
Hour 01: 0 files
Hour 02: 0 files
Hour 03: 0 files
Hour 04: 0 files
Hour 05: 0 files
Hour 06: 11 files
Hour 07: 4 files
Hour 08: 4 files
Hour 09: 0 files
Hour 10: 0 files
Hour 11: 0 files
Hour 12: 0 files
Hour 13: 0 files
Hour 14: 0 files
Hour 15: 0 files
Hour 16: 0 files
Hour 17: 0 files
Hour 18: 1 files
Hour 19: 6 files
Hour 20: 0 files
Hour 21: 0 files
Hour 22: 0 files
Hour 23: 0 files
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shriniwas@shriniwas:~/Downloads$ gcc code1.c
shriniwas@shriniwas:~/Downloads$ ./a.out disk.c
Total disk space used by disk.c: 3687 bytes
opendir: Not a directory
shriniwas@shriniwas:~/Downloads$ ./a.out /home/shriniwas/Downloads
Total disk space used by /home/shriniwas/Downloads: 421565 bytes
Distribution of file counts based on last modified time:
Hour 00: 0 files
Hour 01: 0 files
Hour 02: 0 files
Hour 03: 0 files
Hour 04: 0 files
Hour 05: 0 files
Hour 06: 11 files
Hour 07: 4 files
Hour 08: 4 files
Hour 09: 0 files
Hour 10: 0 files
Hour 11: 0 files
Hour 12: 0 files
Hour 13: 0 files
Hour 14: 0 files
Hour 15: 0 files
Hour 16: 0 files
Hour 17: 0 files
Hour 18: 1 files
Hour 19: 6 files
Hour 20: 0 files
Hour 21: 0 files
Hour 22: 0 files
Hour 23: 0 files
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SYSTEMS CALLS USED

At the heart of any program interacting with the operating system lies a powerful mechanism called system calls. These calls act as a bridge, allowing programs to request essential services from the operating system's core, the kernel. In the context of our disk space analyzer program, system calls empower it to delve into the file system and gather crucial information for storage analysis.

Imagine system calls as a specialized vocabulary programs use to communicate with the operating system.

The code interacts with the Ubuntu file system using a combination of system calls from the C standard library. These calls provide a powerful mechanism for analyzing disk space usage. Let's explore these calls in more detail:

1. stat **and** lstat **for File Information:**

   Both stat and lstat retrieve information about a file or symbolic link, returning a wealth of details within a struct stat data structure. This structure includes:

   - **File size**: This crucial element indicates the amount of storage space a file occupies in bytes. It forms the basis for calculating total and individual file size within a directory structure.
   - **File type**: The program can differentiate between regular files, directories, symbolic links, and other file types using this information. This distinction is crucial for understanding how storage space is being utilized within a directory. For example, directories themselves don't consume significant storage space, but the files they contain do.
   - **File timestamps**: Access and modification timestamps provide valuable insights into file usage patterns. The program can identify files that haven't been accessed in a long time, potentially indicating candidates for removal or archiving to free up space.

- **Permissions and ownership**: While not directly relevant for disk space analysis, these details can be helpful for understanding file access control within the system.

The key distinction between stat and lstat lies in their behavior with symbolic links. stat follows symbolic links and retrieves information about the target file the link points to. Conversely, lstat provides information about the symbolic link itself, not the destination. The program chooses the appropriate call depending on whether it needs details about the linked file or the symbolic link itself.

2. **Navigating Directories with** opendir**,** closedir**, and** readdir**:**

   These system calls work in tandem to manage directory streams and iterate through files within a directory. Here's how they collaborate:

   - opendir: This call takes a directory path as input and returns a pointer to a DIR structure. This structure essentially represents a stream of directory entries.
   - readdir: Once a directory stream is opened using opendir, the program can utilize readdir to read the next entry in the stream. This function returns a pointer to a struct dirent data structure containing details about the next file, including its filename.
   - closedir: When the program finishes iterating through all files in the directory, it's crucial to close the directory stream using closedir. This ensures proper resource management and avoids potential memory leaks

   By employing these calls in a loop, the program can achieve a recursive directory traversal. It starts with the user-specified directory, opens the stream using opendir, and then iterates through each file entry using readdir. For each file encountered, it can then leverage stat or lstat to gather further information and analyze its size and type.

3. **Optional: Gaining Insights with** statvfs**:**

   While not essential for basic file size analysis, the program can optionally utilize statvfs to retrieve information about the file system mounted at a specific path. This system call returns a struct statvfs data structure containing details such as:

   - **Total and free space**: This information provides a broader understanding of storage availability within the chosen directory's file system. The program can calculate the percentage of used space and identify potential storage bottlenecks.
   - **Block size and available inodes**: These details might be less relevant for user-facing functionalities but can be valuable for system administrators or developers who need a deeper understanding of the underlying file system structure.

   By effectively leveraging these system calls, the program can efficiently navigate directory structures, gather comprehensive information about files, and calculate storage usage. This empowers users to gain valuable insights into how their disk space is being utilized on Ubuntu systems. It can delve into directory structures, gather information on individual files, and calculate storage consumption, empowering you to make informed decisions about your storage management.

RESULT

The output generated by the disk space analyzer program will depend on the specific functionalities employed by the user. Here's a breakdown of the potential results for the two main functionalities:

1. Comprehensive Directory Exploration:

- **Directory Structure:** The program might display the directory path that was analyzed. This serves as a starting point for understanding which directory's storage usage was examined.
- **Total Disk Space:** A crucial output is the total disk space consumed by all files within the specified directory and its subdirectories. This value is typically displayed in human-readable format (e.g., gigabytes or megabytes) for easy comprehension.
- **Free Disk Space:** The program might also indicate the amount of free disk space remaining within the chosen directory. This information helps users understand how much storage capacity is still available within that directory.
- **File Details:** Depending on the program's design, it might present a detailed breakdown of individual files encountered during the exploration. This breakdown could include:
    - Filename: Name of the file.
    - File size: Amount of storage space occupied by the file, typically displayed in human-readable format.
    - File type: Categorization of the file (regular file, directory, symbolic link, etc.). This helps users understand the distribution of storage space across different file types.
    - Last modified time (optional): Some programs might display the last time each file was modified. This can be helpful for identifying infrequently accessed files that could be potential candidates for removal or archiving.

- **Large File Identification:** The program might identify and highlight the largest files within the directory. This aids users in pinpointing areas where significant storage space is being utilized.

2. Targeted File Size Analysis with Last Modified Time Examination:

- **Filtered Results:** When users specify a minimum and maximum file size range, the program tailors the output to focus on files within that size category. This filtered view helps users concentrate on specific file size ranges that might be contributing significantly to storage consumption.
- **Last Modified Time Analysis:** The program might display the last modified time for each file within the specified size range. This information empowers users to identify files that haven't been accessed in a long time. By analyzing file size and last accessed time together, users can make informed decisions about potential candidates for removal or archiving to free up storage space.

Overall Insights:

Beyond the specific data points mentioned above, the program should present the information in a clear and concise manner. This might involve:

- **Tables:** Tabular formats can effectively present file details including filename, size, type, and timestamps.
- **Sorting and Filtering:** The program might offer functionalities to sort files by size, type, or last modified time. This allows users to prioritize their analysis based on specific criteria.
- **Visualizations (optional):** Some programs might incorporate bar charts or pie charts to visually represent storage usage distribution across different file types or size ranges. This can provide a more intuitive understanding of how storage space is allocated.

By effectively displaying the results, the program empowers users to gain valuable insights into their disk space usage on Ubuntu. This information can be crucial for optimizing storage allocation, managing file systems efficiently, and identifying areas for potential storage improvement.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the disk space analyzer program serves as a valuable tool for users on Ubuntu systems. By leveraging system calls to interact with the file system and employing two key functionalities – comprehensive directory exploration and targeted file size analysis with last modified time examination – the program empowers users to gain a comprehensive understanding of their storage usage.

The program's output provides crucial insights through informative data points such as total and free disk space, detailed file information, identification of large files, and filtered results based on user-defined size ranges. Additionally, the program might offer functionalities for sorting, filtering, and even presenting data visually through charts. This combination of informative data and user-friendly presentation allows users to effectively analyze their storage allocation and make informed decisions about managing their file systems.

Overall, the disk space analyzer program equips Ubuntu users with the knowledge and tools necessary to optimize their storage usage and ensure their systems function efficiently. The program empowers them to identify areas for potential improvement, reclaim valuable disk space, and ultimately maintain a well-organized and efficient file system environment.

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