# COMP 304: Project 3 Simple File System Implementation

Due: Sun, 21 May 2017, 11.00 pm

Notes: The project can be done individually or teams of 2. You may discuss the problems with other teams and post questions to the OS discussion forum but the submitted work must be your own work. This assignment is worth 10% of your total grade.

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# Description

The objective of this assignment is to understand how file systems are implemented. For this you shall use a custom-made file system called FS304 and provide commands to access the stored files and directories. There will be a PS hour next week to help you with the project.

#### Overview of FS304

Our OS File System (FS304) will be emulated on a disk file called "FS304.disk", provided on blackboard. You will be interacting with the disk file using the readFS304() and writeFS304() functions, also provided on blackboard. Both of these functions operate on blocks of data (discussed shortly). The definitions are as follows:

- int readFS304 (int block\_number, char buffer[1024])

  This function reads contents in the block given by block\_number (zero based) from the disk file and stores it into buffer. The buffer passed in must be at least 1024 bytes long. The function returns 1 if the write is successful; otherwise zero (can happen if you specify an invalid block number).
- int writeFS304 (int block\_number, char buffer[1024])

  This function writes the contents in buffer to the block identified by block\_number in the disk file. The buffer passed in must be at least 1024 bytes long. The function returns 1 if the write is successful; otherwise zero (can happen if you specify an invalid block number).
- In addition, a mountFS304() function reads FS304 metadata (number of blocks, number of inode entries, block bitmap, inode bitmap and inode table) into data structures in memory. See the given FS304.h file to get an idea on these structures. Make sure you call this function before starting to process the commands.

#### Disk file FS304.disk

The disk file is an emulation of a real disk drive. The file given to you has an exact size of 100KB. Since we're going to threat it as our disk drive, the file's size should never increase or decrease. You won't have to worry about that since you shall always be using provided readFS304 and writeFS304 to access this file.

A block in this disk will be 1024 bytes. You will always be reading and writing in terms of char entries, so a block is essentially 1024 ASCII characters. Lets see how FS304 is structured on this disk.

• Block 0 (superblock): BLBINB00000000000000....

BLB = 3-digit number of entries in the block bitmap (coming up) INB = 3-digit number of entries in the inode bitmap (coming up) the remaining 1018 characters will be '0'

• Block 1 (block bitmap): A string of 0s and 1s

A value of 0 at the  $i^{th}$  index indicates that block number i (zero based) is available; otherwise valid data exists in that block. Typically, only the first BLB number of entries in this block will be useful to you; ignore value at the remaining entries.

• Block 2 (inode bitmap): A string of 0s and 1s

A value of 0 at the  $i^{th}$  index indicates that inode entry i (zero based) in the inode table (coming up) is available; otherwise valid data exists in that entry. Typically, only the first INB number of entries in this block will be useful to you; ignore values at the remaining entries.

• Block 3 (inode table): A sequence of inode entries (128 of them to be precise) An inode entry is of the form:

TTXXYYZZ where
TT = FI or DI
XX,YY,ZZ = numbers between 04 and 99 (inclusive), or 00

FI means the entry is for a file. DI means the entry is for a directory. XX,YY and ZZ are indices of the blocks that store the file/directory contents. A value of 00 means the index is not used. So, an inode corresponding to an empty file/directory will have '00' for all three.

Since a file can at most take 3 blocks, its length in FS304 can be at most 3\*1024 = 3KB. Note that we're using 8 ASCII characters per inode entry; so the number of inode entries in the inode table is 1024/8 = 128 (= INB). The first entry (entry 0) is always for the root directory.

• Block 4-99: contains actual data

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## Inode entry for a directory

When the first two characters of an inode entry is DI, it means blocks XX,YY and ZZ hold information about a directory. Such a block will contain 4 directory entries of the following structure:

#### F<name>MMM where

- F is either '1' (entry in use) or '0' (entry not in use)
- <name>is a 252 bytes (characters) long name given by the user to this directory entry
- MMM is the index of the inode entry in the inode table where information on this file (or directory) is available

Each directory entry is therefore 1+252+3=256 bytes. So, a block can hold at most 1024/256=4 such entries. And since an inode entry can point to at most 3 blocks (XX,YY and ZZ), we can have at most 4\*3=12 such entries per directory. This just means that FS304 supports a maximum of 12 files (or directories) inside a directory!

### Provided Functionalities

Download the file FS304.h and the sample disk FS304.disk from blackboard. Go through the implementation in the .h file. You don't need to fully understand everything there but try to reuse portions of the code for the assignment. The code contains:

- readFS304(), writeFS304(), and mountFS304()
- an implementation for an 1s command, listing the contents of current directory
- an implementation for a cd <dir>command, changing the current directory (you cannot go up more than one level down in the directory structure using this command)
- an implementation for an md <dir>command, creating a directory called <dir>in the current directory (no nested paths are supported)
- an implementation for an rd command, taking you to the highest level in the directory structure (current directory = root directory)
- an implementation for a stats command, printing number of free disk blocks and free inode entries
- global variables:
  - int CD\_INODE\_ENTRY = index of the inode entry in the inode table corresponding to the current directory
  - char \*current\_working\_directory = string with name of the current directory
  - int free\_disk\_blocks
     number of unused disk blocks

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- int free\_inode\_entries = number of unused entries in the inode table
- global data structures to hold FS304 metadata and some helper functions

**Note:** Feel free to change the given code if necessary! Just mention it in your README.

# Your Project

In this project you are required to add a few more commands to the existing file system implementation. You will accept the commands (those provided and those you would implement) from the standard input and process it until the command **exit** is entered.

## Part 1: Implement compare files command (30 points)

syntax: compare <filename1> <filename2>

The command first checks to see if files named filename1 and 2 exist in the current directory (of the disk file). If so, you should read the files from the disk file (using readFS304) and compare their contents. If one of the files does not exist, display an error message (do not terminate the program). If the content of the files are identical, display a message saying that files have 0 differences. Otherwise, print how many characters differ. You can assume that the filenames do not contain a path. So don't worry about something like /home/test/foo.txt.

#### Part 2: Rename a file or directory (30 points)

syntax: rename <oldname> <newname>

Implement a command that renames a file or directory. This will work like the ls command. You will traverse through file and directories in the current directory and instead of printing the files and directories, you will instead search for the file or directory with the name as oldname and once it is found, will replace the name field of the directory entry with newname.

# Part 3: Implement a file copy command (40 points)

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syntax: copy <file1> <file2>
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For the copy command, you will first create a new file named file2. The create command first checks to see (i) if a file or directory with the name file2 already exists in the current directory, or (ii) there is no available space for a new file (because the upper limit of 12 has been hit). If so, display an error message (do not terminate your program); otherwise, create a file called file2 in the current directory (of the disk file). Locate file1 in the current directory and store the file1's content as the content of this file. You'll be using and updating the block bitmap, inode bitmap and the inode table in this process, in addition to the directory entry. Remember to use readFS304 and writeFS304! Once again, filenames

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will not have nested directories. **Hint:** Check out the md command implementation for this command!

**Note:** Your updates should become visible in the disk file as soon you finish processing a command. In other words, DO NOT wait until the exit command to write to the disk file. We may open two instances of your program and type the commands in any of them!!

## **Deliverables**

You are required to submit the followings packed in a zip file (named your-username(s).zip) to blackboard:

- .c or .cpp source file that implements the commands. Please comment your implementation.
- follow usual naming conventions in the figure below.
- any supplementary files for your implementation (e.g. Makefile)
- a README file briefly describing your implementation, particularly which parts of your code work, which parts do not work.

GOOD LUCK.

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