CIS 3800 Penn-OS Lecture

Fall 2023

Milestone and Demo

Milestone 1: Due by Nov. 3rd (TA Meeting by 3rd)

Meeting with group and TA

General discussion regarding the design of your project Pass/Fail grade

Milestone 2: Nov. 10th (TA Meeting 10th-14th)

Meeting with group and TA "Significant Progress" expected (~60% complete) Pass/Fail grade

Due: Submission Nov. 27th / Demos Latest Dec. 6th

Present your PennOS to TA Demo plan to be released at a later date

Development Grading Breakdown

5% Documentation45% Kernel/Scheduler35% File System15% Shell

Companion Document/README

Required to provide a **Companion Document** Consider this like APUE or K-and-R Describes how OS is built and how to use it

README

Describes implementation and design choices

Lecture Outline

- PennOS Overview
- PennFAT file system
- Scheduling & Process Life Cycle
- ucontext
- PennOS Shell
- Demo

PennOS Overview

Projects So Far

- Penn Shredder
 - Mini Shell with Signal Handling
- Penn Shell
 - Redirections and Pipelines
 - Process Groups and Terminal Control
 - Job Control

You will be implementing major user-level calls in Penn OS

PennOS



PennOS as a GuestOS



User Land Shell Interaction



PennFAT File System

What is a File System?

- A File System is a collection of data structures and methods an operating system uses to structure and organize data and allow for consistent **storage** and **retrieval** of information
 - Basic unit: a **file**
- A file (a sequence of data) is stored in a file system as a **sequence of data-containing blocks**

What is a FAT?

- FAT stands for **file allocation table**, which is an architecture for organizing and referring to files and blocks in a file system.
- There exist many methods for organizing file systems; modern operating systems support only their 'native' file system, for example:
 - FAT (DOS, Windows)
 - Mac OS X
 - $ext{1,2,3,4}$ (Linux)
 - NTFS (Windows)



File System Layout



File Alignment

Files are distributed across **blocks**



Adjusting File Size

Physical	Link	_		
11	14			
12	13			
13	-1			
14	15			
15	2 Ľ	f_write	(n, buffer, block_	size)
22	-1			
				↓
Block 11	E	Block 14	Block 15	Block 22

PennFAT Specification

File System

- Array of unsigned, little endian, 16-bit entries
- mkfs NAME BLOCKS IN FAT BLOCK SIZE
- FAT region and DATA region

Layout

Region	Size	Contents
FAT Region	block size * number of blocks in FAT	File Allocation Table
Data Region	block size * (number of FAT entries – 1)	directories and files



FAT Region

- FAT entry size: 2 bytes
- First entry special entry for FAT and block sizes
 - LSB: size of each block
 - MSB: number of blocks in FAT

LSB	Block Size
0	256
1	512
2	1,024
3	2,048
4	4,096

FAT first-entry examples

fat[0]	MSB	LSB	Block Size	Blocks in FAT	FAT Size	FAT Entries
0x0100	1	0	256	1	256	128
0x0101	1	1	512	1	512	256
0x1003	16	3	2048	16	32768	16384
0x2004	32	4	4,096	32	131,072	65,536*

* fat[65535] is undefined. Why?

Other entries of FAT

fat[i] (i > 0)	Data region block type
0	free block
0xFFFF	last block of file
[2, number of FAT entries)	next block of file

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- * fat[65535] is undefined. Why?
 - 0xFFFF is reserved for last block of file

Example FAT

Index	Link	Notes
0	0x2004	32 blocks, 4KB block size
1	0xFFFF	Root directory
2	4	File A starts, links to block 4
3	7	File B starts, links to block 7
4	5	File A continues to block 5
5	0xFFFF	Last block of file A
6	18	File C starts, links to block 18
7	17	File B continues to block 17
8	0x0000	Free block

Data Region

- Each FAT entry represents a file block in data region
- Data Region size = block size * (# of FAT entries 1)
 - b/c first FAT entry (fat[0]) is metadata
- block numbering begins at 1:
 - block 1 always the **first block** of the **root directory**
 - other blocks data for files, additional blocks of the root directory, subdirectories (extra credit)

What is a directory?

- A directory is a file consisting of entries that describe the files in the directory.
- Each entry includes the file name and other information about the file.
- The root directory is the top-level directory.

Directory entry

Fixed size of 64 bytes each

- file name: 32 bytes (null terminated)
 - legal characters: [A-Za-z0-9._-]
 (POSIX portable filename character set)
 - first byte special values:

name[0]	Description
0	end of directory
1	deleted entry; the file is also deleted
2	deleted entry; the file is still being used

Directory entry (cont.)

- file size: 4 bytes
- first block number: 2 bytes (unsigned)
- file type: 1 byte

Value	File Type
0	unknown
1	regular file
2	directory
4	symbolic link (extra credit)

Directory entry (cont.)

• file permission: 1 byte

Value	Permission
0	none
2	write only
4	read only
5	read and executable
6	read and write
7	read, write, and executable

- timestamp: 8 bytes returned by time(2)
- remaining 16 bytes: reserved for E.C



PennFAT after initial formatting

fat[0] = 0x2002

32 blocks of 1024 bytes in FAT

First block of Data Region is first block of root directory

Correspondingly, fat[1] refers to that Block 1, which ends there. So it has value of 0xFFFF

Scheduling & Process Life Cycle

Process Statuses

Running

Blocked

Stopped

Zombied

Orphaned

Process Life Cycle

PennOS Kernel Functions

Process Control Block (PCB)

typedef struct pcb {

} pcb_t

PennOS State Change Functions

Programming with User Contexts

What are User Contexts?

Basic thread-like library (at the core of pthread implementation)

Isolate code execution within a context

Resource sharing

One process can switch between different executions

"Hello Contexts": a brief tour

```
void f() {
 printf("Hello World\n");
}
int main(int argc, char * argv[]){
 ucontext t uc;
 void * stack;
 getcontext(&uc);
  stack = malloc(STACKSIZE);
  uc.uc stack.ss sp = stack;
  uc.uc stack.ss size = STACKSIZE;
  uc.uc stack.ss flags = 0;
  sigemptyset(&(uc.uc sigmask));
 uc.uc link = NULL;
 makecontext(&uc, f, 0);
  setcontext(&uc);
 perror("setcontext");
  return 0;
```

ucontext

Context run when this one completes

typedef struct ucontext {

struct ucontext *uc_link;

sigset_t

uc_sigmask;

stack_t uc_stack;

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} ucontext_t;

Set of blocked signals for this context

Execution stack for this context

int getcontext(ucontext_t *ucp)

Initializes a ucontext_t

Does not initialize uc_link, uc_sigmask, or uc_stack

```
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uc.uc_stack.ss_sp = stack;
uc.uc_stack.ss_size = STACKSIZE;
uc.uc_stack.ss_flags = 0;
sigemptyset(&(uc.uc_sigmask));
uc.uc_link = NULL;
```

```
void makecontext(ucontext_t *ucp,
void (*func)(),
int argc,...)
```

Specify the function to run when context is activated

func : function to run

- **argc** : number of integer arguments
- ... : the integer arguments

```
void f() {
    printf("Hello World\n");
}
// ...
makecontext(&uc, f, 0);
```

setcontext(const ucontext_t *ucp)

Activates a context

setcontext : sets the context to **ucp**

setcontext(&uc);
perror("setcontext");

"Hello Contexts"

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Ucontext Demo

Many ways to segfault

- Forgetting makecontext
- Making the stack too small
- Not initializing uc_link
- Not initializing the context properly with **getcontext**
- Re-executing a terminated context

PennOS Shell

Shell Requirements

Synchronous Child Waiting

Redirection (no pipelines)

Parsing

Terminal Signaling

Terminal Control

Shell Functions

Basic interaction with PennOS

Two types:

Functions that run as separate process Functions that run as shell sub-routines

Examples of Built-ins That Run as a Process

- cat
- sleep
- busy
- ls
- touch
- mv
- ср
- rm
- ps

Examples of Built-ins That Run as a Subroutine

nice nice pid man bg fg jobs logout

Demo

Questions?