

(Midterm Exam Problem 3)

Review: File Descriptor Behavior

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Opening a File

```
int open(const char *pathname, int flags);
```

Opens a file for the indicated (i.e., flags) type of accesses

- Set flags to one of
 - O_RDONLY: open the file for reading from only
 - O_WRONLY: open the file for writing to only
 - O_RDWR: open the file for reading from and/or writing to
- Returns the **lowest numbered** file descriptor number that is not currently open in this process to something else
- Returns -1 on any error and sets global variable errno to indicate which error

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The flags argument may also include other bits, such as

- O_APPEND: On each write() to this open fd, always move to the end of the file first (every write() only appends to the file)
- O_TRUNC: If the file exists (and if possible), truncate the file to empty on the open()
- Specify flags as the “or” of what you need, e.g.,
 - open(name, O_RDWR | O_APPEND)
 - open(name, O_WRONLY | O_TRUNC)

Writing a File

```
ssize_t write(int fd, const void *buf, size_t count);
```

Writes into the contents of a file from memory beginning at address buf

- The file must already be open – fd specifies which file to write to
- File data is transferred sequentially from buf, starting at fd current position
- The maximum number of bytes to write is given by count
 - Tries to write requested count, returns the number of bytes actually written
 - Number written may be less than requested (a “**short count**”)
 - This is **not** an error! We’ll talk more about this later
- Returns -1 on any error and sets global variable errno to indicate which error

Explicitly Moving a File Descriptor's File Offset

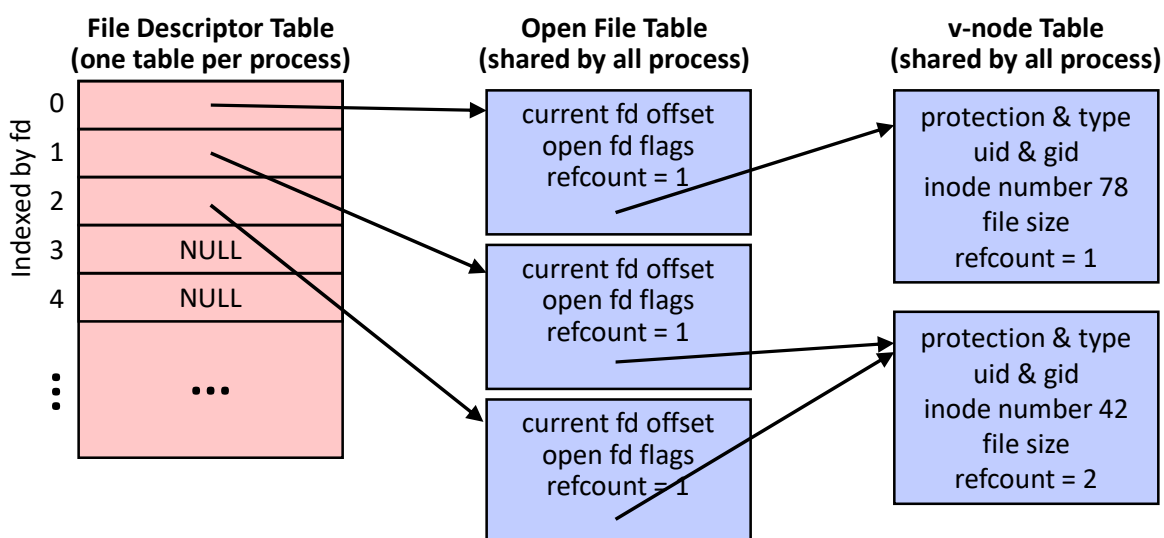
```
off_t lseek(int fd, off_t offset, int whence);
```

Changes current offset for file descriptor fd to new position in the file's data

- The new fd offset is set to “offset” number of bytes relative to “whence”
 - SEEK_SET: fd offset is set to offset bytes (absolute)
 - SEEK_CUR: fd offset is set to current position plus offset bytes
 - SEEK_END: fd offset is set to the size (bytes) of the file plus offset bytes
- In general, “offset” may be negative (e.g., offset = -100, whence = SEEK_CUR)
- Returns
 - The fd's new file offset, on success
 - -1 on any error and sets global variable errno to indicate which error

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Creating a New Process

```
pid_t fork(void);
```

Creates a new process as an identical “clone” of the calling process

- Kernel creates a new PCB for the new process, substantially as a copy of the calling process’s existing PCB
- Kernel assigns new process a new pid, remembered in the kernel in child’s PCB
 - pids assigned in ascending order, wrapping around, skipping those in use
- Child address space is created as a **copy** of the calling process’s address space
 - Child thus **appears** to have called fork(), since the parent did call fork()
 - So fork() returns **twice**
 - Once (as normal) in the **parent**: returns the new child’s pid
 - And once (appearing to be normal) in the **child** process: returns 0

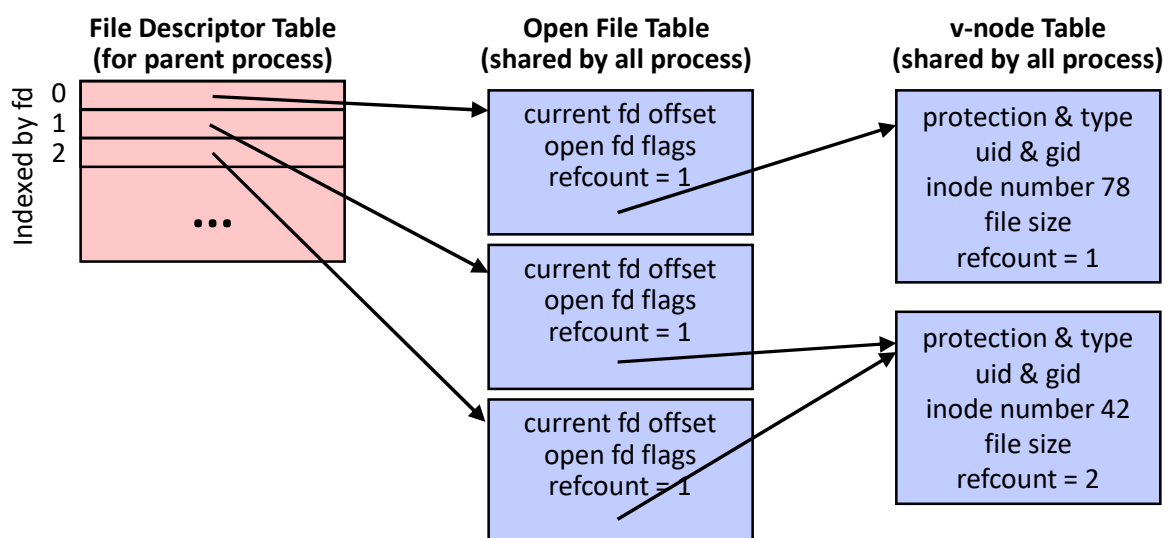
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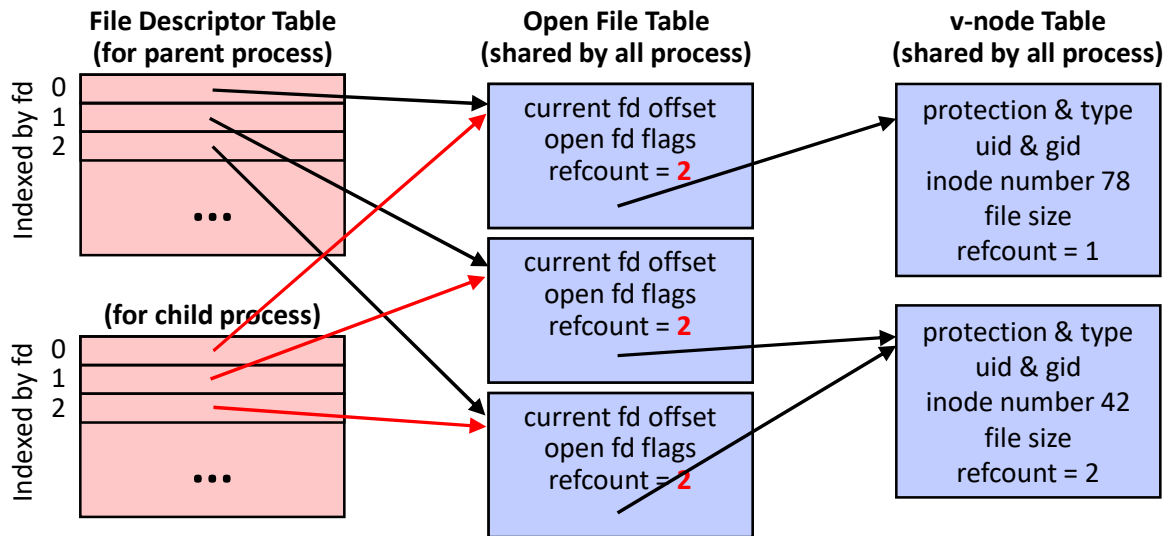
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Consider the following C program (you should assume that all kernel calls and procedure calls in it always succeed).

- If the file “data” is initially an empty file before executing this program, how many characters are in the file after completion of the program’s execution? Enter a single number only.
- What are the complete contents of the file “data” after the completion of this execution of the program as described above? *Clearly* write out the complete file contents below.

We’ll walk through the program’s execution step by step . . .

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write(fd2, "HELLO", 5);
write(fd3, "WORLD", 5);
lseek(fd3, 0, SEEK_SET);

if ((pid = fork()) == 0) {
    write(fd2, "9876543210", 10);
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    write(fd3, "Houston", 7);
    lseek(fd1, -10, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd1, "COMP321", 7);
    write(fd2, "Rice", 4);
}

else {
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File Contents

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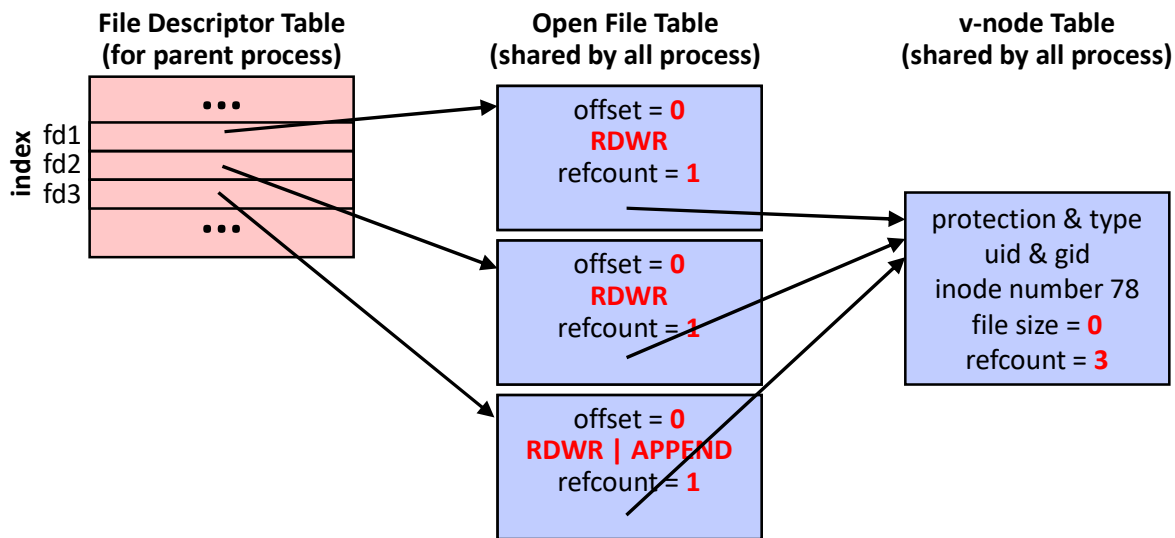
(empty)



fd1 offset = 0
fd2 offset = 0
fd3 offset = 0

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File Contents

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5



fd1 offset = 0 (before)

fd2 offset = 0

fd3 offset = 0



fd1 offset = 26 (after)

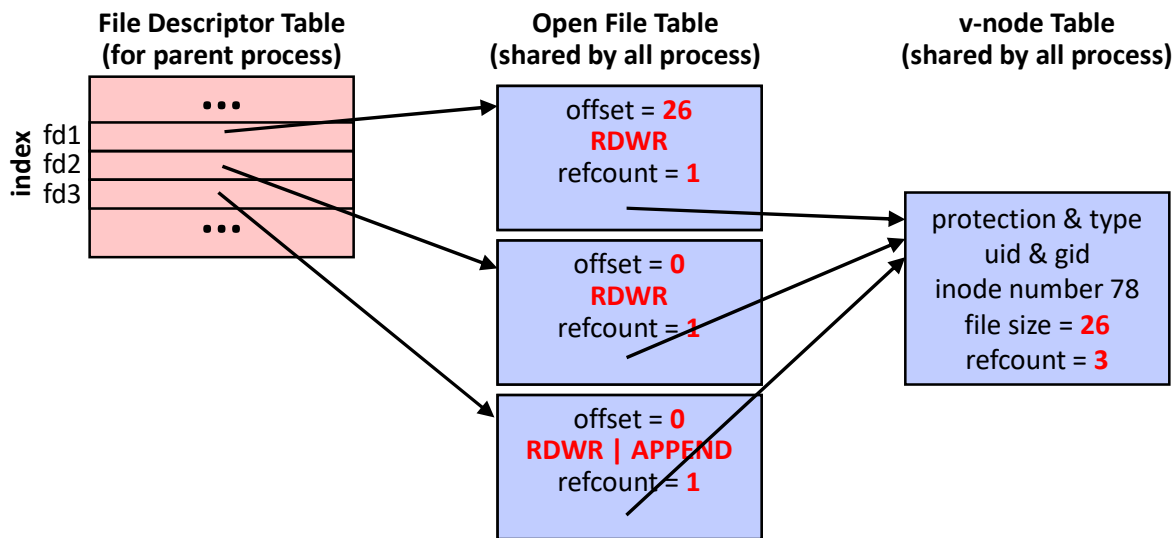
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fd2 offset = 0

(before)



fd2 offset = 5 (after)

fd3 offset = 0



fd1 offset = 26

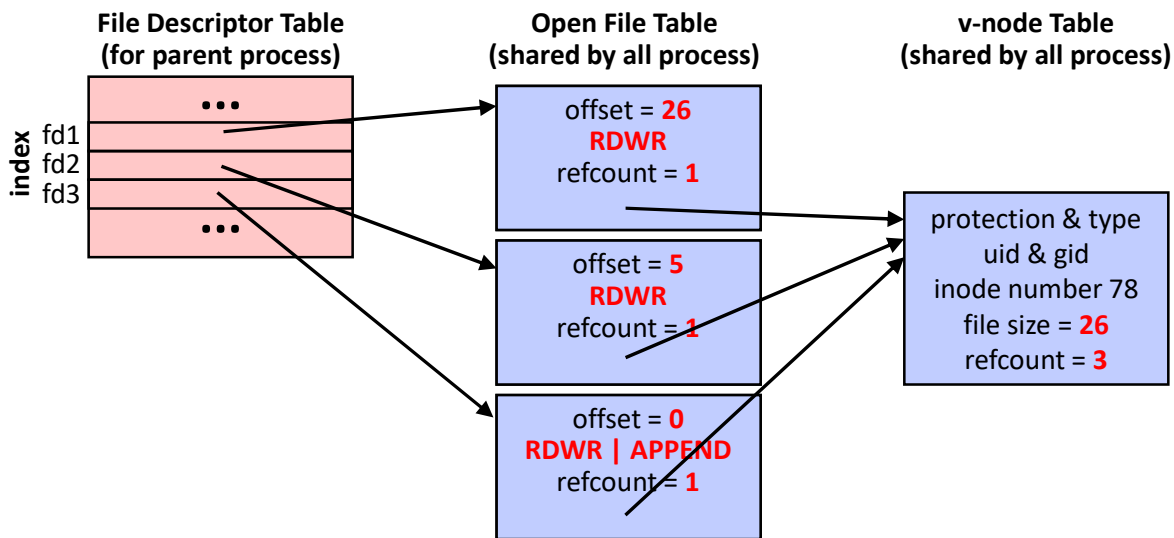
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↑
fd3 offset = 0 (before)

↑
fd2 offset = 5

↑
fd1 offset = 26

↑
fd3 offset = 31 (after)

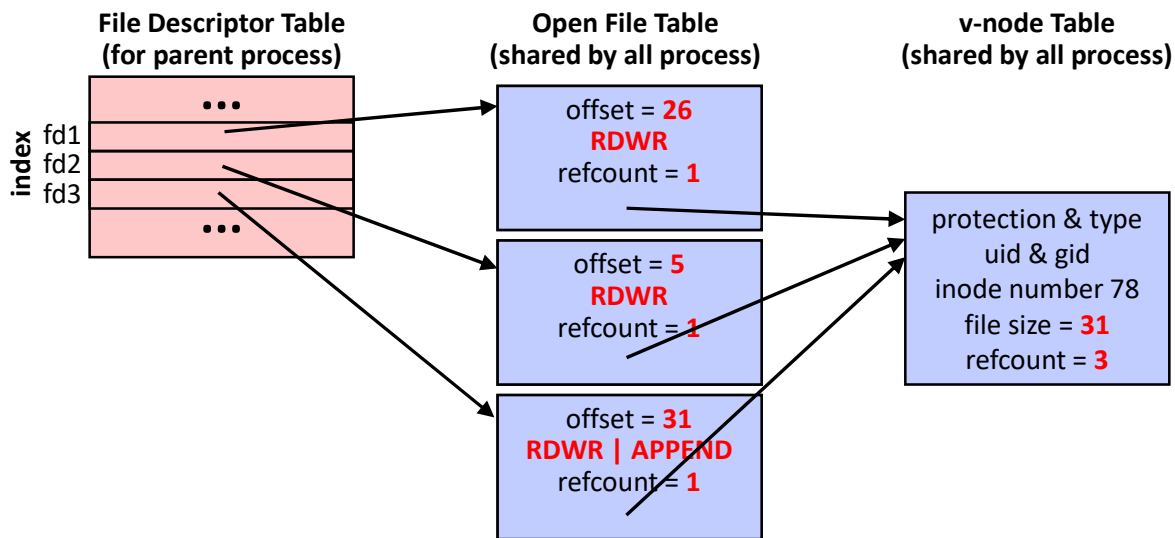
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fd3 offset = 0 (after)

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fd3 offset = 31 (before)

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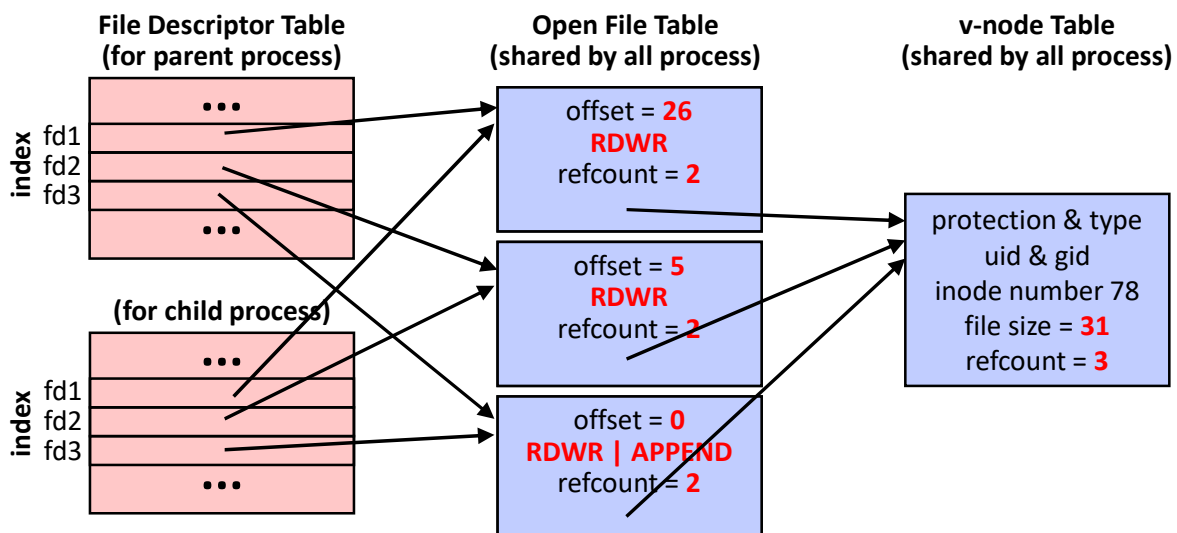
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fd3 offset = 0

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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

fd3 offset = 0 (before)

fd2 offset = 15

fd1 offset = 26

fd3 offset = 38 (after)

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fd1 offset = 16 (after)

fd2 offset = 15

fd1 offset = 26 (before)

fd3 offset = 38

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0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

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    lseek(fd1, -10, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd1, "COMP321", 7);
    write(fd2, "Rice", 4);
}
else {
    waitpid(pid, NULL, 0);
    write(fd1, "-", 1);
    write(fd2, ".", 1);
    write(fd3, "/", 1);
    exit(0);
}

```

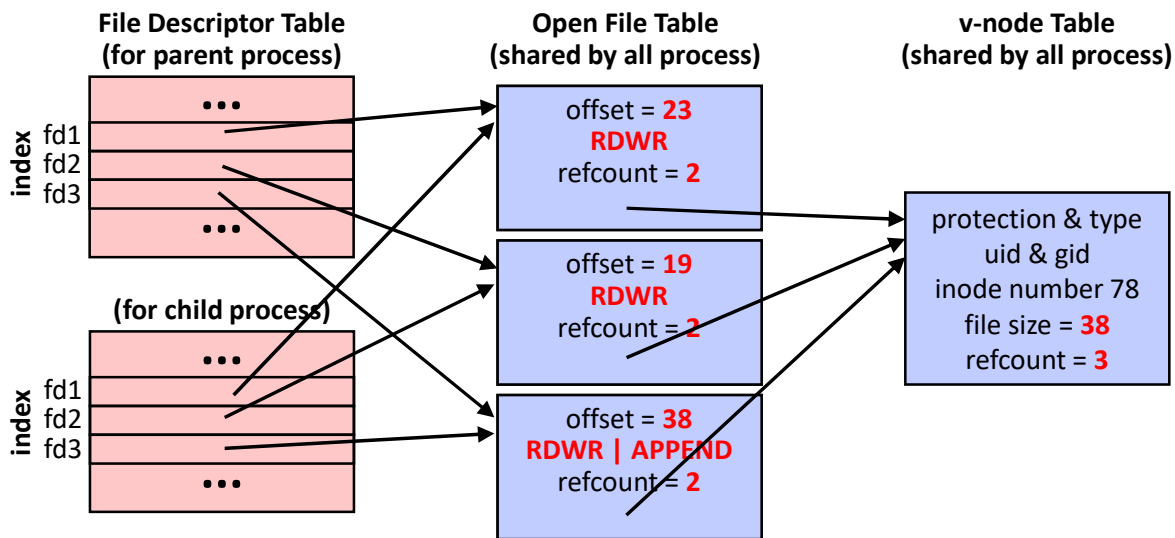
File Contents

H	E	L	L	O	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	R	i	c	e	P	3	2	1	x	y	z	W	O	R	L	D	H	o	u	s	t	o	n
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

fd2 offset = 15 (before)
 fd2 offset = 19 (after)
 fd1 offset = 23
 fd3 offset = 38

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```
fd1 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_TRUNC);
fd2 = open("data", O_RDWR);
fd3 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_APPEND);

write(fd1, "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz", 26);
write(fd2, "HELLO", 5);
write(fd3, "WORLD", 5);
lseek(fd3, 0, SEEK_SET);

if ((pid = fork()) == 0) {
    write(fd2, "9876543210", 10);
    lseek(fd3, -1, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd3, "Houston", 7);
    lseek(fd1, -10, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd1, "COMP321", 7);
    write(fd2, "Rice", 4);
}
else {
    waitpid(pid, NULL, 0);
    write(fd1, "-", 1);
    write(fd2, ".", 1);
    write(fd3, "/", 1);
}
exit(0);
```

File Contents

H	E	L	L	O	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	R	i	c	e	P	3	2	1	x	y	z	W	O	R	L	D	H	o	u	s	t	o	n
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

fd1 offset = 23
fd2 offset = 19

fd3 offset = 38

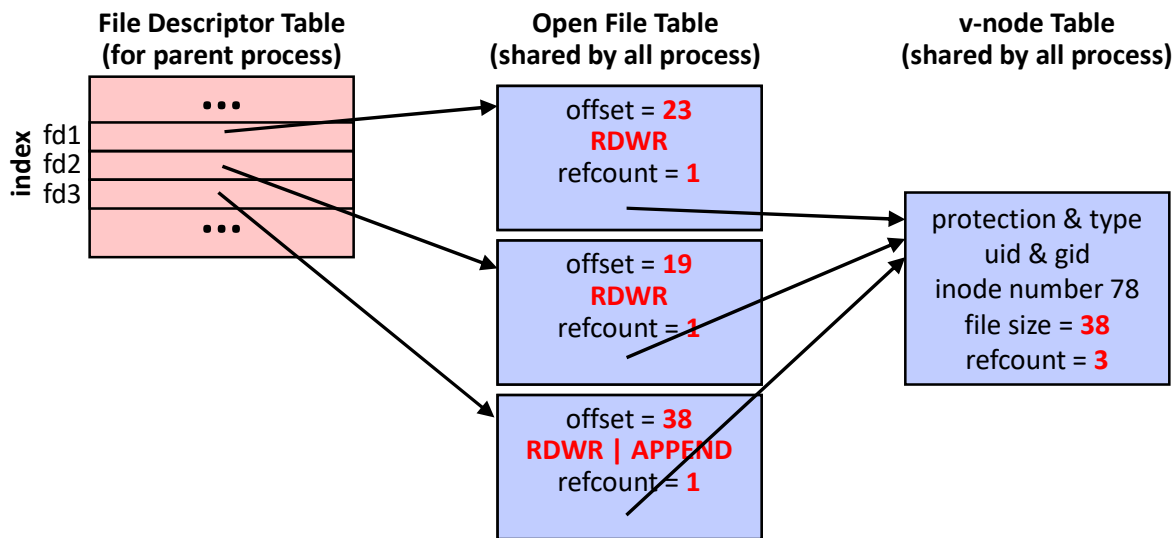
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```
fd1 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_TRUNC);
fd2 = open("data", O_RDWR);
fd3 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_APPEND);

write(fd1, "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz", 26);
write(fd2, "HELLO", 5);
write(fd3, "WORLD", 5);
lseek(fd3, 0, SEEK_SET);

if ((pid = fork()) == 0) {
    write(fd2, "9876543210", 10);
    lseek(fd3, -1, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd3, "Houston", 7);
    lseek(fd1, -10, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd1, "COMP321", 7);
    write(fd2, "Rice", 4);
}

else {
    waitpid(pid, NULL, 0);
    write(fd1, "-", 1);
    write(fd2, ".", 1);
    write(fd3, "/", 1);
}

exit(0);
```

File Contents

H	E	L	L	O	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	R	i	c	e	P	3	2	1	x	y	z	W	O	R	L	D	H	o	u	s	t	o	n
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

fd1 offset = 23
fd2 offset = 19

fd3 offset = 38

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```

fd1 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_TRUNC);
fd2 = open("data", O_RDWR);
fd3 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_APPEND);

write(fd1, "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz", 26);
write(fd2, "HELLO", 5);
write(fd3, "WORLD", 5);
lseek(fd3, 0, SEEK_SET);

if ((pid = fork()) == 0) {
    write(fd2, "9876543210", 10);
    lseek(fd3, -1, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd3, "Houston", 7);
    lseek(fd1, -10, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd1, "COMP321", 7);
    write(fd2, "Rice", 4);
}

else {
    waitpid(pid, NULL, 0);
    write(fd1, "-", 1);
    write(fd2, ".", 1);
    write(fd3, "/", 1);
}

exit(0);

```

File Contents

H	E	L	L	O	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	R	i	c	e	P	3	2	1	-	y	z	W	O	R	L	D	H	o	u	s	t	o	n
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

fd2 offset = 19

fd1 offset = 23 (before)
fd1 offset = 24 (after)

fd3 offset = 38

```

fd1 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_TRUNC);
fd2 = open("data", O_RDWR);
fd3 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_APPEND);

write(fd1, "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz", 26);
write(fd2, "HELLO", 5);
write(fd3, "WORLD", 5);
lseek(fd3, 0, SEEK_SET);

if ((pid = fork()) == 0) {
    write(fd2, "9876543210", 10);
    lseek(fd3, -1, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd3, "Houston", 7);
    lseek(fd1, -10, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd1, "COMP321", 7);
    write(fd2, "Rice", 4);
}

else {
    waitpid(pid, NULL, 0);
    write(fd1, "-", 1);
    write(fd2, ".", 1);
    write(fd3, "/", 1);
}

exit(0);

```

File Contents

H	E	L	L	O	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	R	i	c	e	.	3	2	1	-	y	z	W	O	R	L	D	H	o	u	s	t	o	n
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

fd2 offset = 19 (before)
fd2 offset = 20 (after)

fd1 offset = 24

fd3 offset = 38

```

fd1 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_TRUNC);
fd2 = open("data", O_RDWR);
fd3 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_APPEND);
write(fd1, "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz", 26);
write(fd2, "HELLO", 5);
write(fd3, "WORLD", 5);
lseek(fd3, 0, SEEK_SET);

if ((pid = fork()) == 0) {
    write(fd2, "9876543210", 10);
    lseek(fd3, -1, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd3, "Houston", 7);
    lseek(fd1, -10, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd1, "COMP321", 7);
    write(fd2, "Rice", 4);
}

else {
    waitpid(pid, NULL, 0);
    write(fd1, "-", 1);
    write(fd2, ".", 1);
    write(fd3, "/", 1);
}
exit(0);

```

File Contents

H	E	L	L	O	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	R	i	c	e	.	3	2	1	-	y	z	W	O	R	L	D	H	o	u	s	t	o	n	/
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

fd2 offset = 20

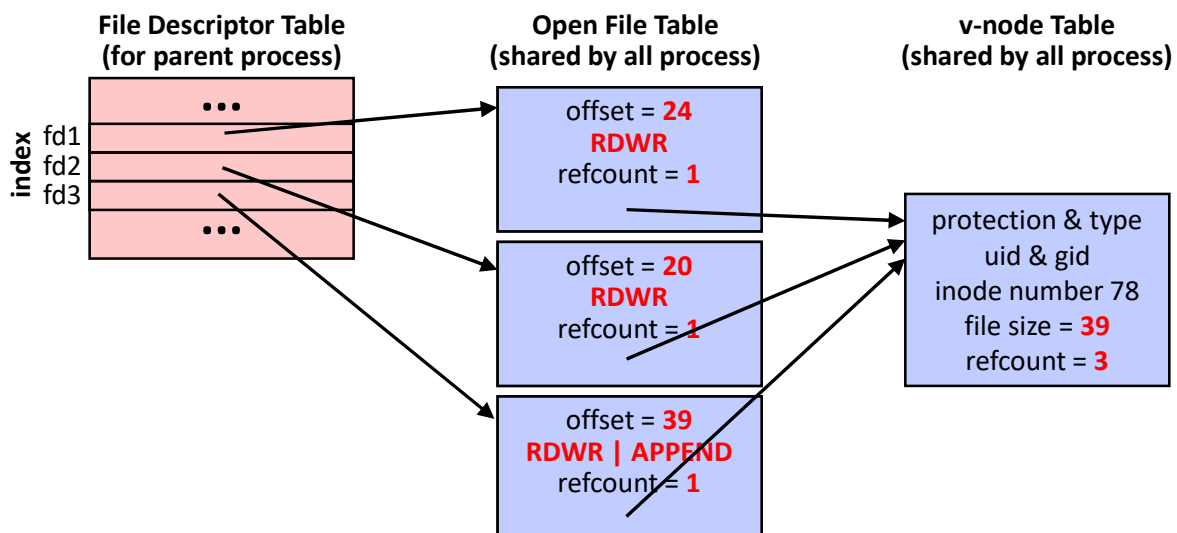
fd1 offset = 24

fd3 offset = 38 (before)

fd3 offset = 39 (after)

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```

fd1 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_TRUNC);
fd2 = open("data", O_RDWR);
fd3 = open("data", O_RDWR | O_APPEND);
write(fd1, "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz", 26);
write(fd2, "HELLO", 5);
write(fd3, "WORLD", 5);
lseek(fd3, 0, SEEK_SET);

if ((pid = fork()) == 0) {
    write(fd2, "9876543210", 10);
    lseek(fd3, -1, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd3, "Houston", 7);
    lseek(fd1, -10, SEEK_CUR);
    write(fd1, "COMP321", 7);
    write(fd2, "Rice", 4);
}
else {
    waitpid(pid, NULL, 0);
    write(fd1, "-", 1);
    write(fd2, ".", 1);
    write(fd3, "/", 1);
    exit(0);
}

```

File Contents

H	E	L	L	O	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	R	i	c	e	.	3	2	1	-	y	z	W	O	R	L	D	H	o	u	s	t	o	n	/
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

fd2 offset = 20

fd1 offset = 24

fd3 offset = 39

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File Size = 39

File Contents

H	E	L	L	O	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	R	i	c	e	.	3	2	1	-	y	z	W	O	R	L	D	H	o	u	s	t	o	n	/
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---