

Mapping Block Information Recovery

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Conclusion

Our scheme going to use the advantages of shadow technical and use it in flash memory. With our scheme we can maintain the system from corruption by making a copy table for table mapping. It is make us to recover the data easily when something unusually happen to the system.

Abstract: In this paper we proposed Mapping Block Information Recovery (MBIR) for flash memory based storage devices. According to the data access problems in mapping method our idea can save the map block information in two tables , the first one is original and the second one is a copy one. We can do it by using shadow technical. We going to using shadow technical advantages to be familiar with Flash Translation Layer (FTL) to improving the capacity for flash memory .

1- Introduction

Flash memory is a constantly-powered nonvolatile semi-conductor device that has the advantages of small size, fast access, low power consumption, convenient portability, shock resistance, data retention after a power off, random access, and heat dissipation. Flash memory is currently being integrated with different embedded system devices such as in digital cameras, smart phones, PDAs, and sensor devices[1,2,5].

The read/write/erase behavior of flash memory is radically different than that of other programmable memories, such as volatile RAM and magnetic disks. Perhaps more importantly, memory

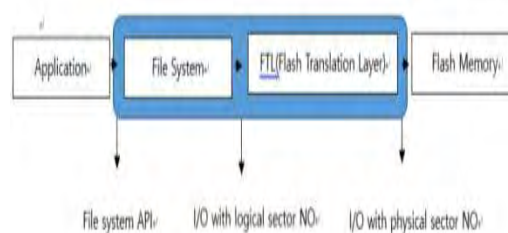
cells in a flash device (as well as in other types of EEPROM memory) can be written to only a limited number of times.

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows: Section two, describe related work. Section Three, describe Mapping Block Information Recovery Scheme.

2- Related work

2.1. Flash Translation Layer (FTL):

Fig. 1 shows the software architecture of file system as following: Application, file system , flash translation layer and flash memory. Our idea is focuses on the FTL layer shown in (Fig 1).



(Fig 1) Architecture of flash memory system

FTL emulates disk-like in-place updates for a Logical Page Number (LPN) based data page as follows: FTL first acquires a clean page and updates the corresponding data on that page. Then, it maps the original LPN into this new Physical Page Number (PPN). Thus,

an efficient FTL scheme has a critical effect on overall performance of flash memory since it directly affects in-place update performance and balancing the wearing of each data block[1,5].

2.2.FTL characteristics

2.2.1 An FTL algorithms should be consider the following characteristics:

The first one, is the main logical-to-physical address mapping the main job for it is to convert logical addresses between the file system and physical address in flash memory[2].The second one, we should to consider power-off recovery to preserved data structure and guarantee data consistency.Finally, to maintain erase operation should include wear-leveling technical.

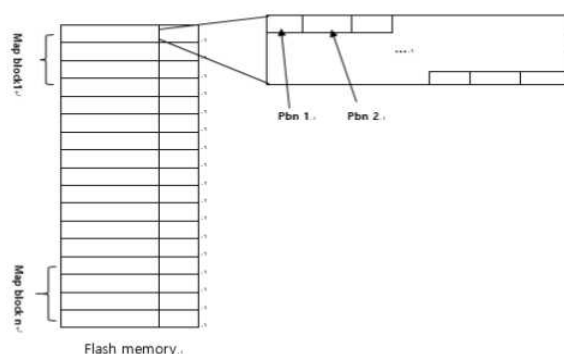
2.3 Mapping adress and mapping information

Its very important to consider a scheme to store mapping information. To be able to recovery mapping table when a power-on process events.Mapping information loss should be able to recovery in the sudden power-off events.Because of that this information must be saving in somewhere of flash memory.The storing mapping information in flash memory can be divided to two classes: the map block method and per block method.

2.3.1 Map block method

A map block method put mapping information in dedicated blocks of flash memory termed map blocks. Most FTL implementations use more than one map block. (Fig 2) shows the way of map blocks how store the mapping information[1].

If mapping information updated or changes, the above recording job have to be done. During performing the recording job, if the map blocks pool have no unused sector, erase technology have to be moving to another free



(Fig 2) Map block method.

map blocks.For fast lookups we can cached the mapping table in RAM[3].

So, we have to rebuilt the mapping table in RAM during a power-on process.

3.Mapping Block Information Recovery Scheme (MBIR)

In our proposed scheme the idea is to make another copy for mapping information table. We can use the copy table to recover the old mapping information, when the data have some updating or changes. The update or changing in the map table will make the system corruption[3]. Our scheme which using shadow technique can solve this problem and recover the mapping table information. The basic idea is to use the shadow technique advantages and make it familiar with algorithms of FTL. Our goals are to add the shadow algorithms to FTL storage algorithm to be able to recover the mapping information

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