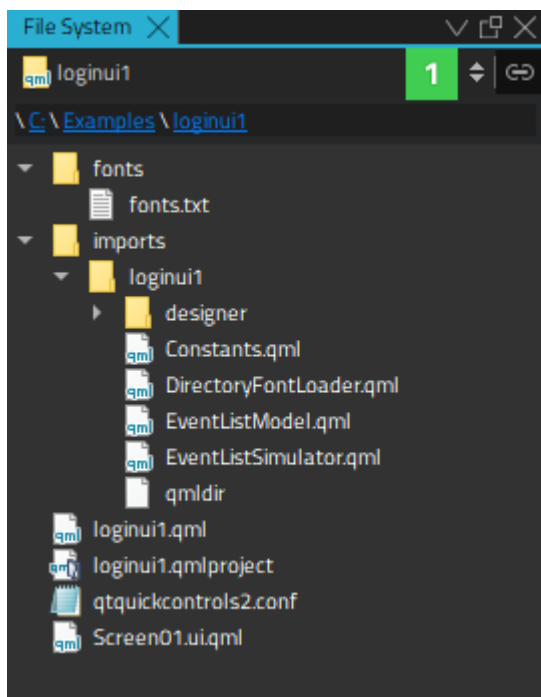


File System

If you cannot see a file in the **Projects** view, switch to the **File System** view, which shows all the files in the file system.


The following image displays the **File System** view in the **Design** mode:



To move to the root directory of the file system, select **Computer** in the menu (1). Select **Home** to move to the user's home directory. Further, you can select a project to move to an open project or **Projects** to move to the directory specified in the **Projects directory** field in **Edit > Preferences > Build & Run > General**.

The file that is currently active in the editor determines which folder is displayed in the **File System** view:

- > **Projects** if the file is located in a subdirectory of the **Projects directory**
- > **Home** if the file is located in the user's home directory
- > **Computer** in all other cases

To stop the synchronization between the editor and the **File System** view, deselect the  (**Synchronize Root Directory with Editor**) button.

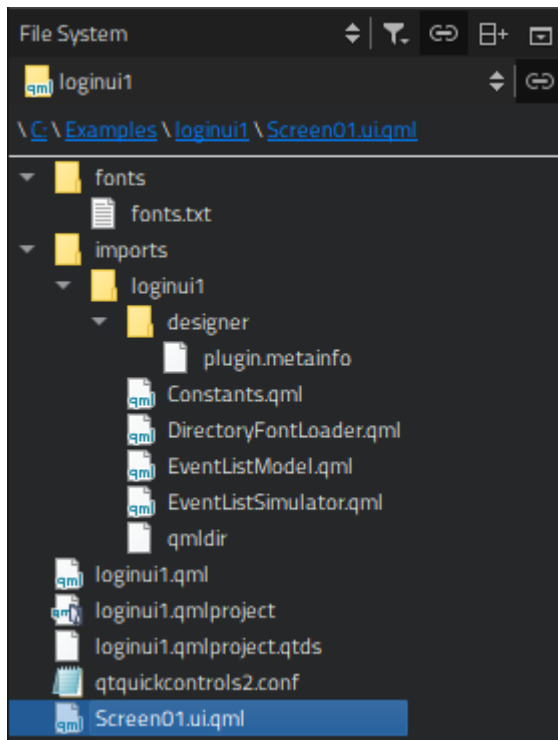
The path to the active file is displayed as bread crumbs. You can move to any directory along the path by clicking it.

Use the context menu functions to:

- › Open files with the default editor or some other editor.
- › Open a project located in the selected directory.
- › Show the file or directory in the file explorer.
- › Open a terminal window in the selected directory or in the directory that contains the file. To specify the terminal to use on Linux and macOS, select **Edit > Preferences > Environment > System**.
- › Search from the selected directory.
- › View file properties, such as name, path, MIME type, default editor, line endings, indentation, owner, size, last read and modified dates, and permissions.
- › Create new files. For more information, see [Adding Files to Projects](#).
- › Rename or remove existing files.
- › Create new folders.
- › Compare the selected file with the currently open file in the diff editor. For more information, see [Comparing Files](#).
- › Display the contents of a particular directory in the view.
- › Collapse all open folders.


File System View Toolbar

In the **Edit** and **Debug** mode, the **File System** view is displayed in the [sidebar](#). It has a toolbar with additional options.



To manage view contents, select  (**Options**):

- › To hide the bread crumbs, deselect the **Show Bread Crumbs** check box.
- › By default, folders are separated from files and listed first in the view. To list all items in alphabetic order

To stop the synchronization with the file currently opened in the editor, deselect  (Synchronize with Editor).

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