

Welcome to PA-1 Learning Journey! 🚀

📄 Welcome!

👋 Welcome to the **Advanced Programming** Spring 2025 course PA-1 project!

😊 This document serves as the lab manual to help you successfully complete this PA project.

🧐 Through this PA course, you will learn and master the following:

- 🎯 Deepen your understanding of **object-oriented** programming concepts.
- 💡 Master the design and implementation of C++ classes.
- 🛠️ Learn to build a complete software system.

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✓ Let's Start Now!

🎉 Let's dive into the exciting world of **Virtual File Systems**!

PA-1: Virtual File System

📄 Virtual File System with Command Line Interface (VFS) 🌐

In this project, you will build a **Virtual File System (VFS)** that simulates real-world file management. The system will include:

- **FileSystem Class**: Manages files and directories.
- **ClientInterface Class**: Simulates user command-line interactions.
- **VFS**: Integrates and manages the entire system.

0. Background

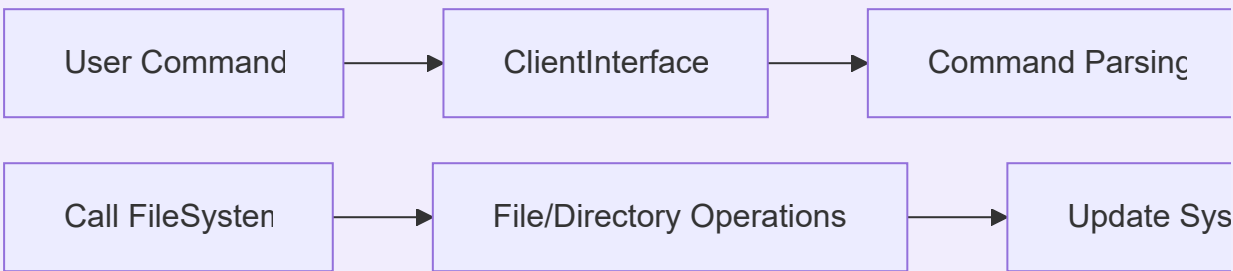
What is a Virtual File System (VFS)?

A **Virtual File System (VFS)** is a software implementation that simulates a real file system. Using object-oriented design, VFS provides basic file and directory management functionalities, helping you understand core file system concepts and object-oriented programming principles.

How VFS Works

- File Abstraction:** Files and directories are abstracted into classes (`File` , `Directory`) using a base class `FileObj` for inheritance and polymorphism.
- Directory Organization:** The `FileSystem` class organizes files and directories, supporting flexible path navigation.
- User Interaction:** The `ClientInterface` provides a command-line interface with Unix-style file operations.
- System Integration:** The `VFS` integrates `FileSystem` and `ClientInterface` for unified management.

System Flowchart



1. Core Components

Key Components

Component	Description
<code>ClientInterface</code>	Handles command parsing and user interaction.
<code>FileSystem</code>	Implements file and directory management.





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FileObj and Derived Classes	Provides concrete implementations for files and directories.
VFS	Integrates all components for unified management.

Project Task

Use **object-oriented programming** to implement the three core components and build a complete **VFS** system.

2. Learning Objectives

What You Will Learn

Objective Type	Details
 Class Design	Master C++ class design and implementation.
 Inheritance & Polymorphism	Understand and apply inheritance and polymorphism.
 System Building	Use composition and nested classes to build complex systems.
 Encapsulation	Implement access control and encapsulation.

3. Prerequisites

What You Should Know

Before starting PA-1, familiarize yourself with the following:

- **Data Structures:**
 - Arrays: `vector<T>` and its methods (`push(T)` , `pop()`).
 - Dictionaries: `unordered_map<key, value>` and CRUD operations.
 - Sets: `set<T>` and its methods (`find(T)` , `insert(T)`).
- **Data Types:** `enum` , `size_t` .
- **Strings:** `string` .
- **Input/Output Streams:** `istringstream` .

- **OOP Principles:** Inheritance, polymorphism, encapsulation, and abstraction.

💡 **Pro Tip:** Always think one level of abstraction ahead during design!

4. Project Structure

📁 FileSimulator Project Tree

```
FileSimulator/
├── CMakeLists.txt
├── include/
│   ├── FileObj.h
│   ├── Directory.h
│   ├── FileSystem.h
│   ├── VFS.h
│   └── ClientInterface.h
├── src/
│   ├── main.cpp
│   ├── FileObj.cpp
│   ├── Directory.cpp
│   ├── FileSystem.cpp
│   ├── VFS.cpp
│   └── ClientInterface.cpp
└── README.md
```

🎯 5. Experimental Guidelines

5-0. InodeFactory Class

📁 InodeFactory Class (include/InodeFactory.h)

cpp

```
class InodeFactory {
public:
    static uint64_t generateInode() {
        static uint64_t nextInode = 1;
        return nextInode++;
    }
};
```

```
}  
};
```

- In the VFS, all system objects (`File` and `Directory`) have a unique `inode` identifier of type `uint64_t` (unsigned long long).
- We provide the `generateInode()` API for you to use. By default, the root directory `/` has `inode = 1`.
- Any newly created file or directory will have `inode >= 2`. (Note: The VFS does not recycle `inode` values, so they only increase and never repeat.)

5-1. FileObj (Base Class)

FileObj Class (`include/FileObj.h`)

```
class FileObj {  
    string name;      // File/Directory name  
    string path;      // Absolute path  
    string type;      // "file" or "directory"  
    string owner;     // Owner  
    uint64_t inode;   // Unique identifier  
    FileObj* parent;  // Parent directory  
};
```

- **Attributes:**
 - `inode` is generated by `InodeFactory`.
 - `parent` points to the parent directory (for the root directory `/`, `parent` is `nullptr`).
- We have implemented the constructor for `FileObj`. You can use it as a reference for implementing constructors in other classes.

5-2. File Class

File Class (`include/File.h`)

```
class File : public FileObj {  
protected:
```

```
string content; // Content of the file
};
```

- The `File` class adds a `content` attribute to `FileObj`.
- **Methods to Implement:**

```
File(const string& name, const string& type, const string& owner,
      const uint64_t& inode, FileObj* parent);

virtual string read() const;           // Read content
virtual bool write(const string &data); // Write content (append to
`content`)
virtual string getContent() const;     // Get content
```

- Refer to the framework code for detailed TODOs.

5-3. Directory Class

Directory Class (`src/Directory.cpp`)

```
class Directory : public FileObj {
    std::unordered_map<uint64_t, FileObj*> children; // Store child
objects
};
```

- **Attributes:**
 - `children`: An `unordered_map` that maps `inode` to `FileObj*` pointers (stores all child items in the directory).
- **Methods to Implement:**

```
Directory(const string& name, const string& owner,
           const uint64_t& inode, FileObj* parent);

bool add(FileObj* child);           // Add a child node
bool remove(uint64_t inode);        // Remove a file node
bool removeDir(uint64_t inode);     // Recursively remove a
directory node
FileObj* getChild(uint64_t inode);   // Get a specific child node
std::vector<FileObj*> getAll() const; // Get all child nodes
size_t getCount() const;           // Get the number of child
nodes
```

```
bool isEmpty() const;           // Check if the directory is
empty
```

- **Hint:** Use `inode` as the unique identifier for removing nodes. Refer to the framework code for detailed TODOs.

5-4. FileSystem (Core Functionality)

FileSystem Class (`include/FileSystem.h`)

```
class FileSystem {
    Directory* root;           // Root directory
    Directory* cur;           // Current directory
    string username;          // Current user
    std::set<string> users;    // All users
    std::unordered_map<string, uint64_t> config_table; // Path to
inode mapping
};
```

- **Attributes:**

- `root` : The root directory of the file system.
- `cur` : The current directory.
- `username` : The current user.
- `users` : A set of all registered users.
- `config_table` : Maps an object's **absolute path + type** to its `inode` .

- **Methods to Implement:**

```
// Directory navigation
changeDir(const uint64_t& inode);           // Change current directory
getCurrentPath() const;                   // Get current path
resolvePath(const string& path);           // Resolve path

// File operations
createFile(const string& name);             // Create a file
deleteFile(const string& name, const string& user); // Delete a
file

// Directory operations
createDir(const string& name);             // Create a directory
deleteDir(const string& name, const string& user, bool recursive);
// Delete a directory
```

```

// Search and user management
search(const string& name, const string& type);           // Search for
a file or directory
setUser(const string& username);                         // Set the
current user
hasUser(const string& username);                         // Check if a
user exists
registerUser(const string& username);                   // Register a
new user

```

- **Hints:**

1. No permission control is needed for creating files/directories, but deletion requires permission (only the `owner` or `root` user can delete).
2. Use `resolvePath()` in `changeDir()`. Parse paths using `strtok()` or `istringstream`.
3. Maintain both `children` and `config_table` when adding or removing items.
4. Different users share the same file system. Manage the `users` set using `insert()` or `remove()`.

5-5. ClientInterface (User Interface)

ClientInterface Class (`include/ClientInterface.h`)

```

class ClientInterface {
    FileSystem* filesystem; // FileSystem instance
    string username;       // Current user
};

```

- **Design:** The `ClientInterface` class follows the **Visitor Pattern**. Users interact with the file system through this interface without directly embedding it.
- **Methods to Implement:**

```

// Command processing
parseCommand(const string& cmdLine); // Parse command line
execueCommand(const vector<string>& cmd); // Execute command
processCommand(const string& cmdLine); // Process command

// File operations
createFile(const string& name); // Create a file
deleteFile(const string& name); // Delete a file
readFile(const string& name); // Read a file

```



```

writeFile(const string& name, const string& data); // Write to a
file

// Directory operations
createDir(const string& name); // Create a directory
deleteDir(const string& name, bool recursive); // Delete a
directory
changeDir(const string& path); // Change directory
listCurrentDir(); // List directory contents
getCurrentPath() const; // Get current path

// Other commands
showHelp() const; // Show help
information
search(const string& name, const string& type); // Search for a
file or directory

```

- **Command Processing:**

- `parseCommand` : Splits the command line into tokens.
- `execueCommand` : Executes the command based on the first token (`cmd[0]`).
- `processCommand` : Combines `parseCommand` and `execueCommand` .

5-6. Commands to Implement

Supported Commands

```

# File operations
create <filename...> # Create one or more files
delete <filename...> # Delete one or more files
read <filename...> # Read one or more files
write <filename> <text> # Write to a file (supports multi-line text
and escape characters)

# Directory operations
mkdir <dirname> # Create a directory
rmdir [-r] <dirname> # Delete a directory (-r for recursive
deletion)
cd <path> # Change directory (supports relative and
absolute paths)
ls # List directory contents
pwd # Print current working directory
clear # Clear the terminal

```

```
# System commands
help          # Show help information
exit         # Log out
quit         # Exit the system
```

5-7. Notes and Warnings

Error Handling

- Handle errors such as:
 - File already exists
 - Path does not exist
 - Insufficient permissions
 - Invalid parameters

User Management

- User creation
- Permission verification
- Session management

File Operations

- Handle empty files
- Recursive deletion
- Path resolution
- Permission verification

Memory Management

- Properly release objects
 - Avoid memory leaks
 - Prevent dangling pointers
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6. Build and Execution

6-1. Windows Environment

Windows Build and Execution

1. Generate the Project:

```
# Run in the project root directory
mkdir build
cd build
cmake ..
cmake --build .
```

2. Run the Program:

```
# In the build/bin or build/bin/Release directory
FileSimulator.exe
```

6-2. Linux Environment

Linux Build and Execution

1. Install Dependencies:

```
# Ubuntu/Debian
sudo apt-get install build-essential cmake

# CentOS/RHEL
sudo yum groupinstall "Development Tools"
sudo yum install cmake
```

2. Generate and Compile:

```
mkdir build
cd build
cmake ..
make
```

3. Run the Program:

```
# In the build/bin directory
./FileSimulator
```

6-3. Common Issues and Troubleshooting

⚠ Common Issues

1. CMake Errors:

- Ensure CMake version ≥ 3.10 .
- Verify that the compiler is correctly installed.
- Ensure environment variables are properly set.

2. Compilation Errors:

- Check for missing dependencies.
- Ensure the correct generator is used.
- Review detailed compilation logs.

3. Runtime Errors:

- Ensure the program is run from the correct directory.
- Check for missing dynamic libraries.
- Review the program's error output.

7. Example Code

≡ Example Usage

```
# Start the system
$ ./FileSimulator
File System Simulator Started
Please login with your username
Login: root

# Show help
root@FileSimulator:/$ help
Available commands:
  create <filename...>      - Create one or more new files
  delete <filename...>      - Delete one or more files
  read <filename...>        - Read content from one or more files
```

<code>write <filename> <text></code>	- Write text to <code>file</code> (supports '\\n' for newline)
<code>mkdir <dirname></code>	- Create a new directory
<code>rmdir [-r] <dirname></code>	- Remove directory (-r for recursive deletion)
<code>cd <path></code>	- Change directory (supports relative/absolute paths)
<code>ls</code>	- List current directory contents
<code>pwd</code>	- Show current working directory
<code>whoami</code>	- Show current user name
<code>clear</code>	- Clear current <code>command</code> line
<code>help</code>	- Show this <code>help</code> message
<code>exit</code>	- Logout current user
<code>quit</code>	- Exit program

Some Basic operations

```

root@FileSimulator:/$ mkdir docs
root@FileSimulator:/$ cd docs
root@FileSimulator:/docs$ create readme1 readme2
root@FileSimulator:/docs$ write readme1 "This is a test file."
root@FileSimulator:/docs$ write readme2 "Hello PA-1"
root@FileSimulator:/docs$ read readme1 readme2
=== readm1 ===
This is a test file.
=== readm2 ===
Hello PA-1
root@FileSimulator:/docs$ pwd
/docs
root@FileSimulator:/docs$ ls
readme1
readme2
root@FileSimulator:/docs$ exit

```

exit the program

```

User Login (Please input who you are):
exit
Bye!

```

Friendly Tips

- If you encounter any issues during the experiment, please contact the teaching assistant promptly.
- Thank you for reading. Good luck with your PA-1 experiment!

