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## Applied and Action Learning

(Learning by Doing and Discovery)

**Name of the Experiment :** Store with IPFS – Decentralized File Upload

### \* Coding Phase: Pseudo Code / Flow Chart / Algorithm

#### ALGORITHM:

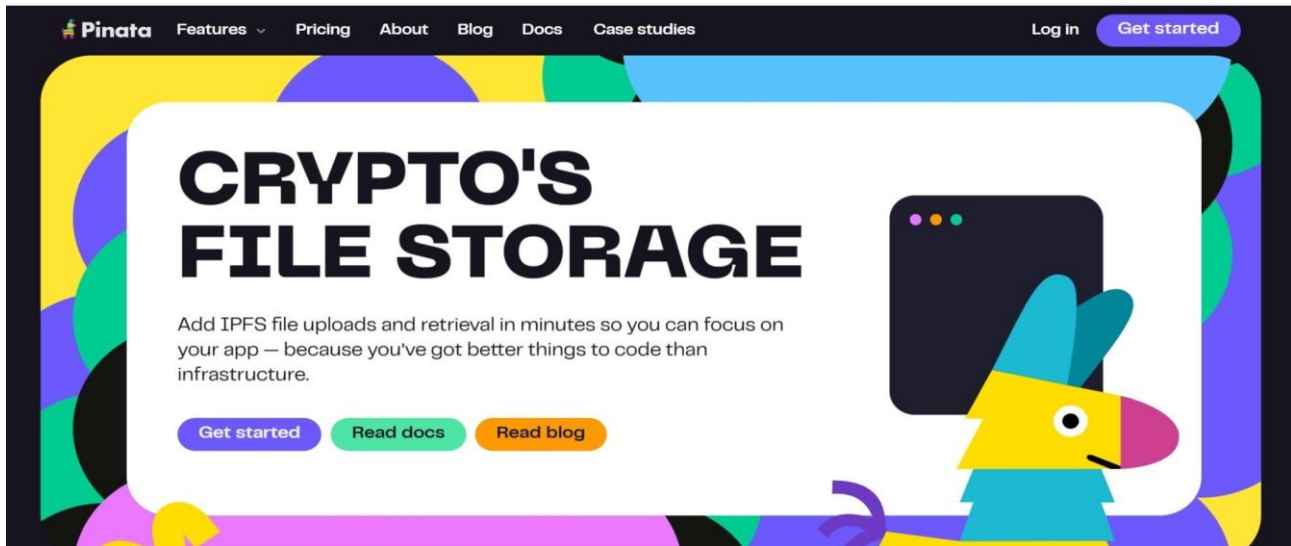
1. Open Brave Browser and visit the Pinata website.
2. Log in to your Pinata account.
3. Click on "Get Started" to access your dashboard.
4. Generate an API Key (optional if uploading manually).
5. Now Create a Folder in your system (eg. backend)
6. Now Open the folder With VS code and create .env and addfile.js file
7. Now Write the code which is redirect to pinata and upload files directly

### \*Softwares required:

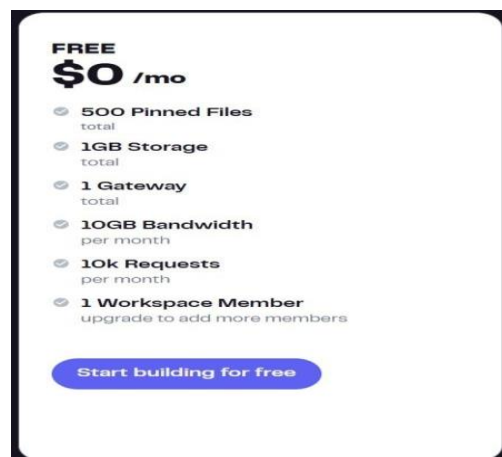
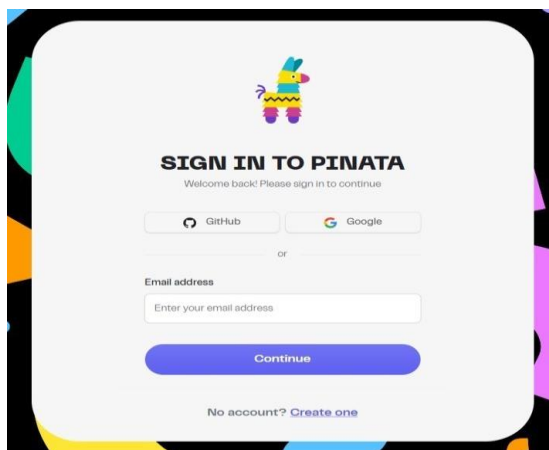
1. Brave Browser
2. Pinata
3. Vs Code

## \* Implementation Phase: Final Output (no error)

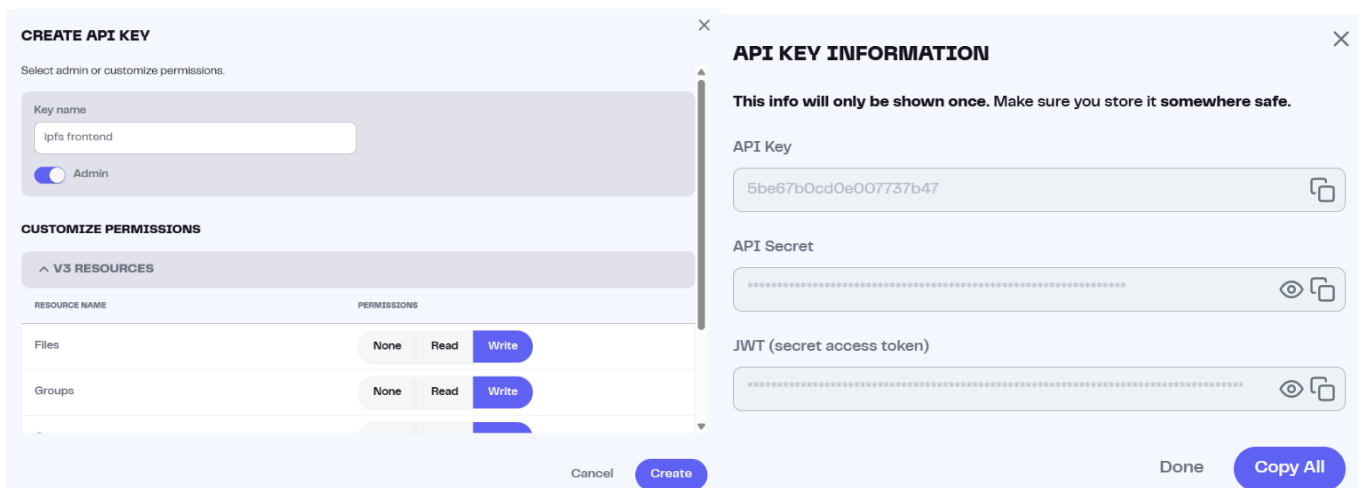
Open Brave Browser and go to <https://www.pinata.cloud>, which is a platform for uploading and pinning files on the IPFS (InterPlanetary File System).



Click on “Login” and sign in using your credentials. If you’re new, sign up and verify your email.



If needed for API uploads, go to the API Keys section and click on "New Key" to generate an API key..



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Create a folder in your system and open with vs code and in this folder create a .env and a addfile.js file to write your code .

To add .json files in your folder in teminal write the command: npm init -y

Now write the code inside the index.js to upload files in pinata cloud and also create a app.jsx file for frontend

```

1 // backend/index.js
2 const express = require('express');
3 const multer = require('multer');
4 const cors = require('cors');
5 const fs = require('fs');
6 const FormData = require('form-data');
7 const axios = require('axios');
8 const mongoose = require("mongoose"); // MongoDB
9 require('dotenv').config();
10
11 const app = express();
12 const PORT = 5000;
13
14 // === MongoDB Connection ===
15 mongoose.connect(process.env.MONGO_URI, {
16   useNewUrlParser: true,
17   useUnifiedTopology: true,
18 });
19 mongoose.connection.once("open", () => {
20   console.log("✅ Connected to MongoDB");
21 });
22
23 // === Middleware ===
24 app.use(cors());
25 app.use(express.json());
26
27 // === Multer (for file uploads) ===
28 const upload = multer({ dest: 'uploads/' });
29
30 // === Routes ===
31 app.get('/ping', (req, res) => {
32   res.send('✅ Backend is alive!');
33 });
34
35 // === Auth Routes ===
36 const authRoutes = require("./routes/auth");
37 app.use("/api/auth", authRoutes);
38
39 // === Upload File to IPFS ===
40 app.post('/upload', upload.single('file'), async (req, res) => {
41   if (!process.env.PINATA_JWT) {
42     return res.status(500).json({ error: 'Missing Pinata JWT in .env' });
43   }
44
45   try {
46     const fileStream = fs.createReadStream(req.file.path);
47     const data = new FormData();
48     data.append('file', fileStream);
49
50     const metadata = JSON.stringify({
51       name: req.body.name || req.file.originalname || 'NFT File',
52     });
53     data.append('pinataMetadata', metadata);
54
55     const response = await axios.post(

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56     'https://api.pinata.cloud/pinning/pinFileToIPFS',
57     data,
58     {
59       maxLength: 'Infinity',
60       headers: {
61         'Content-Type': 'multipart/form-data; boundary=${data._boundary}',
62         Authorization: 'Bearer ${process.env.PINATA_JWT}',
63       },
64     }
65   );
66   fs.unlink(req.file.path, (err) => {
67     if (err) console.error('❌ Failed to delete temp file:', err.message);
68   });
69   res.status(200).json({
70     ipfsHash: response.data.IpfsHash,
71     ipfsURL: 'https://gateway.pinata.cloud/ipfs/${response.data.IpfsHash}',
72   });
73 } catch (err) {
74   console.error('❌ IPFS File Upload Error:', err.message);
75   res.status(500).json({ error: 'IPFS upload failed', details: err.message });
76 }
77 });
78
79 // === Upload Metadata JSON to IPFS ===
80 app.post('/upload-metadata', async (req, res) => {
81   if (!process.env.PINATA_JWT) {
82     return res.status(500).json({ error: 'Missing Pinata JWT in .env' });
83   }
84   try {
85     const { name, description, image } = req.body;
86     if (!name || !description || !image) {
87       return res.status(400).json({ error: 'Missing required fields: name, description, image' });
88     }
89     const metadata = { name, description, image };
90     const response = await axios.post(
91       'https://api.pinata.cloud/pinning/pinJSONToIPFS',
92       metadata,
93       {
94         headers: {
95           Authorization: 'Bearer ${process.env.PINATA_JWT}',
96           'Content-Type': 'application/json',
97         },
98       }
99     );
100     res.status(200).json({
101       ipfsHash: response.data.IpfsHash,
102       metadataURL: 'https://gateway.pinata.cloud/ipfs/${response.data.IpfsHash}',
103     });
104 } catch (err) {
105   console.error('❌ IPFS Metadata Upload Error:', err.message);
106   res.status(500).json({ error: 'Metadata upload failed', details: err.message });
107 }
108 });
109
110 // === Start Server ===
111 app.listen(PORT, () => {
112   console.log('🔥 Backend server running at http://localhost:${PORT}');
113 });

```

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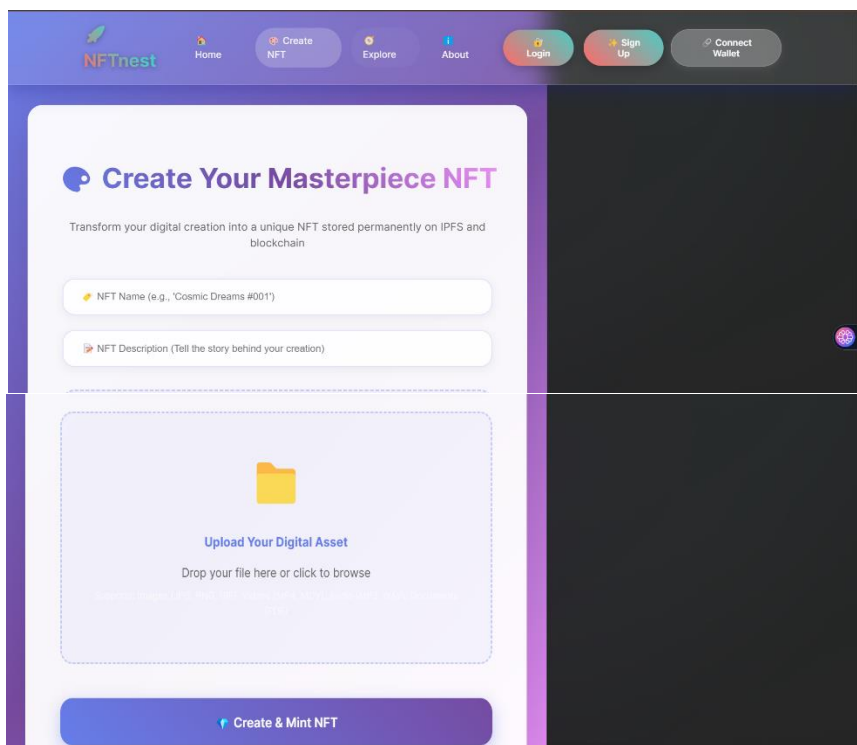
1 // frontend/src/App.js
2 import React, { useState } from "react";
3 import { BrowserRouter as Router, Routes, Route, Navigate, Link } from "react-router-dom";
4 import "bootstrap/dist/css/bootstrap.min.css";
5 import "bootstrap/dist/js/bootstrap.bundle.min.js";
6 import axios from "axios";
7
8 // ===== Navigation Bar with Wallet =====
9 function Navigation({ walletAddress, connectWallet }) {
10   return (
11     <nav className="navbar navbar-expand-lg navbar-dark bg-dark fixed-top">
12       <div className="container">
13         <Link className="navbar-brand" to="/home"> CertifyChain </Link>
14         <button className="navbar-toggler" type="button" data-bs-toggle="collapse" data-bs-target="#navbarNav">
15           <span className="navbar-toggler-icon"></span>
16         </button>
17         <div className="collapse navbar-collapse" id="navbarNav">
18           <ul className="navbar-nav">
19             <li className="nav-item"><Link className="nav-link" to="/home"> Home </Link></li>
20             <li className="nav-item"><Link className="nav-link" to="/nfts"> NFTs </Link></li>
21             <li className="nav-item"><Link className="nav-link" to="/about"> About </Link></li>
22             <li className="nav-item"><Link className="nav-link" to="/login"> Login </Link></li>
23             <li className="nav-item"><Link className="nav-link" to="/signup"> Sign Up </Link></li>
24             <li className="nav-item">
25               <button onClick={connectWallet} className="btn btn-success ms-2">
26                 {walletAddress ? `🔗 ${walletAddress.slice(0, 6)}... : 🔗 Connect Wallet` : "🔗 Connect Wallet"}
27               </button>
28             </li>
29           </ul>
30         </div>
31       </div>
32     </nav>
33   );
34 }
35
36 // ===== Pages =====
37 const HomePage = () => {
38   <div className="container mt-5 pt-3">
39     <h2> Welcome to CertifyChain </h2>
40     <p> Build your blockchain-powered NFT portfolio with IPFS + on-chain minting! </p>
41   </div>
42 };
43
44 const AboutPage = () => {
45   <div className="container mt-5 pt-3">
46     <h2> About CertifyChain </h2>
47     <p> CertifyChain is a decentralized app (DApp) that allows you to upload files to IPFS and mint them as NFTs on-chain. </p>
48   </div>
49 };
50
51 const LoginPage = () => {
52   const [email, setEmail] = useState("");
53   const [password, setPassword] = useState("");
54
55   const handleLogin = async () => {
56     try {
57       const res = await axios.post("http://localhost:5000/api/auth/login", { email, password });
58       alert("Login Successful!");
59       console.log(res.data);
60     } catch (err) {
61       alert("Login Failed: " + err.response?.data?.error);
62     }
63   };
64
65   return (
66     <div className="container mt-5 pt-3">
67       <h2> Login </h2>
68       <input type="email" placeholder="Email" className="form-control my-2" value={email} onChange={e => setEmail(e.target.value)} />
69       <input type="password" placeholder="Password" className="form-control my-2" value={password} onChange={e => setPassword(e.target.value)} />
70       <button className="btn btn-primary" onClick={handleLogin}> Login </button>
71     </div>
72   );
73 };
74
75 const SignupPage = () => {
76   const [name, setName] = useState("");
77   const [email, setEmail] = useState("");
78   const [password, setPassword] = useState("");
79
80   const handleSignup = async () => {
81     try {
82       const res = await axios.post("http://localhost:5000/api/auth/signup", { name, email, password });
83       alert("Signup Successful!");
84       console.log(res.data);
85     } catch (err) {
86       alert("Signup Failed: " + err.response?.data?.error);
87     }
88   };
89
90   return (
91     <div className="container mt-5 pt-3">
92       <h2> Sign Up </h2>
93       <input type="text" placeholder="Name" className="form-control my-2" value={name} onChange={e => setName(e.target.value)} />
94       <input type="email" placeholder="Email" className="form-control my-2" value={email} onChange={e => setEmail(e.target.value)} />
95       <input type="password" placeholder="Password" className="form-control my-2" value={password} onChange={e => setPassword(e.target.value)} />
96       <button className="btn btn-success" onClick={handleSignup}> Sign Up </button>
97     </div>
98   );
99 };
100
101 const ExplorePage = () => {
102   <div className="container mt-5 pt-3">
103     <h2> Explore NFTs </h2>
104     <p> Browse and view NFTs by CID. </p>
105   </div>
106 };
107
108 // ===== Upload NFT Page =====
109 function MintApp() {
110   const [selectedFile, setSelectedFile] = useState(null);
111   const [name, setName] = useState("");
112   const [description, setDescription] = useState("");
113   const [metadataURL, setMetadataURL] = useState("");
114   const [metadata, setMetadata] = useState(null);
115   const [loading, setLoading] = useState(false);
116
117   const handleFileChange = (e) => setSelectedFile(e.target.files[0]);
118
119   const handleUpload = async () => {
120     if (!selectedFile || !name || !description) return alert("Please fill all fields and select a file.");
121
122     setLoading(true);
123     try {
124       const formData = new FormData();
125       formData.append("file", selectedFile);
126       formData.append("name", name);
127
128       const files = await axios.post("http://localhost:5000/upload", formData);
129       const imageUrl = files.data.imageUrl;
130
131       const metadata = await axios.post("http://localhost:5000/upload-metadata", { name, description, image: imageUrl });
132       const metadataLink = metadata.data.metadataURL;
133
134       setMetadataLink(metadataLink);
135
136       const fetched = await axios.get(metadataLink);
137       setMetadata(fetched.data);
138     } catch (err) {
139       console.error("Upload failed:", err);
140       alert("Upload failed: " + err.message);
141     } finally {
142       setLoading(false);
143     }
144   };
145
146   return (
147     <div className="container mt-5 pt-3">
148       <h2> Upload NFT </h2>
149       <input type="text" placeholder="NFT Name" value={name} onChange={e => setName(e.target.value)} className="form-control my-3" />
150       <input type="text" placeholder="NFT Description" value={description} onChange={e => setDescription(e.target.value)} className="form-control my-3" />
151       <input type="text" placeholder="Metadata URL" value={metadataURL} onChange={e => setMetadataURL(e.target.value)} className="form-control my-3" />
152       <button className="btn btn-primary" onClick={handleUpload} disabled={loading}> Upload </button>
153     </div>
154   );
155
156   <div className="mt-3">
157     <div className="border rounded shadow-sm bg-light">
158       <div className="p-3">
159         <h3> Metadata Uploaded </h3>
160         <p> Metadata URL: <strong>{metadataURL}</strong> <a href={metadataURL} target="_blank" rel="noopener">View Metadata</a> </p>
161         <p> Name: <strong>{metadata.name}</strong> </p>
162         <p> Description: <strong>{metadata.description}</strong> </p>
163         <p> Image: <strong>{metadata.image}</strong> </p>
164       </div>
165     </div>
166   </div>
167 </div>
168 </div>
169 </div>
170 </div>
171 </div>
172
173 // ===== App Entry Point =====
174 export default function App() {
175   const [walletAddress, setWalletAddress] = useState("");
176
177   const connectWallet = async () => {
178     if (window.ethereum) {
179       const accounts = await window.ethereum.request({ method: "eth_requestAccounts" });
180       const address = accounts[0];
181       setWalletAddress(address);
182
183       const res = await axios.post("http://localhost:5000/api/auth/wallet-login", { walletAddress: address });
184       localStorage.setItem("token", res.data.token);
185       alert("Wallet connected and logged in!");
186     } else {
187       alert("MetaMask not detected!");
188     }
189   };
190
191   return (
192     <Router>
193       <div style={{ padding: "10px" }}>
194         <Navigation walletAddress={walletAddress} connectWallet={connectWallet} />
195       </div>
196       <Routes>
197         <Route path="/" element={Navigate to="/home"} />
198         <Route path="/home" element={HomePage} />
199         <Route path="/about" element={AboutPage} />
200         <Route path="/login" element={LoginPage} />
201         <Route path="/signup" element={SignupPage} />
202         <Route path="/nfts" element={MintApp} />
203         <Route path="/explore/cid" element={ExplorePage} />
204       </Routes>
205     </Router>
206   );
207 }

```

Now in .env file write your api key and secret api key

```
1 # === Pinata API ===  
2 PINATA_API_KEY=447364863125b2fa779b  
3 PINATA_API_SECRET=56ecf2e68a9f08ddf1ccc18f626313f66171d41486258c27ecbfef47b19afcf8  
4 PINATA_JWT=eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJ1c2VySW5mb3JtYXRpb24iOnsiaWQiOjEwMTVTVkZDJKZS03YTcwLTQxNzktYTlhOC0xNiwiaWF0IjoiMjAyNC05LTIyVDE1OTg0MDAifQ.pritam:Das%40078@nft-portfolio-dapp.hos8zww.mongodb.net/?retryWrites=true&w=majority&appName=MONGO_URI=mongodb+srv://pritam:Das%40078@nft-portfolio-dapp.hos8zww.mongodb.net/?retryWrites=true&w=majority&appName=
```

Now you see the file is uploaded and the hash was generated in pinata add file section we can also see with view section and add files to our pinata account through frontend



Observation:

1. Uploading files to Pinata through the backend allows secure and automated integration without exposing API keys to the frontend.
2. Each successful upload returns a unique IPFS hash, which can be used to access the file from any IPFS gateway globally.

## ASSESSMENT

Rubrics	Full Mark	Marks Obtained	Remarks
Concept	10		
Planning and Execution/ Practical Simulation/ Programming	10		
Result and Interpretation	10		
Record of Applied and Action Learning	10		
Viva	10		
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>		

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**\*As applicable according to the experiment.  
Two sheets per experiment (10-20) to be used.**