

## Steps to Execute:

Rename the macro MSGQ\_PATH in all files to an existing location in order to create the message queue.

```
#define MSGQ_PATH "/mnt/e/Academics/3-1/IS F462/ass_1_group/q2"
```

First compile the following files:

1. m\_server.c
2. d\_server.c
3. client.c

Copy the executable file of D\_server.c to different directories (these will be the local directories of D).

Open terminals for m\_server, client, d\_server<n> (Where n is the number of D servers in the system) and execute the files to make all servers in running state.

Now, enter the commands in the terminal which is running the executable of client.c

## Data Structures used in M:

1. CHUNK\_SERVER: which stores the PID's of 3 D servers storing it.

```
struct chunk_server {  
    int chunk_id;  
    int server1;  
    int server2;  
    int server3;  
};
```

2. FILE\_CHUNKS: which store the filename, pointer to array of chunks and the number of chunks present for the file.

```
struct file_chunks {  
    char filename[200];  
    struct chunk_server * chunks;  
    int num_chunks;  
};
```

3. FILES: an array for files present in metadata server.

```
struct file_chunks * files;
```

## Implementation:

The supported commands are:

1. ADD\_FILE /path/to/file/filename

It is assumed that this file will be already present on the disk. When we try to create a file, we are actually loading its metadata and creating chunks for the file in the D servers. The following steps happen when we ADD a file using this command:

1. Client sends a message to the M\_Server to create a file.
2. M\_Server sends a response if the request was successful.
3. Client divides the file into chunks inside a loop. For each chunk:
  - a. Client sends a request to the M\_server "ADD\_CHUNK". M\_server queries the D\_servers for availability.
  - b. The list of first 3 D\_servers to respond to M\_Server's query is sent to Client to ADD\_CHUNK along with the absolute chunk\_id to be used.
  - c. Client sends the contents of the file to the corresponding D\_server.
  - d. The D\_servers store the contents in a file names as the absolute chunk\_id that the M\_server provided.

2. CP /path/to/src/filename /path/to/dest/filename

The steps executed are:

- Client sends a request to M\_server to move the file.
- M\_server first checks if the filename was added using ADD\_FILE earlier. If not, it returns an error.
- Then, M\_server loops through all the chunks of the file. For each chunk, it sends a COPY\_CHUNK message to the 3 D\_Servers which stores it, along with the new absolute chunk\_id for the new chunk.
- D\_Servers copy the contents of the chunks character by character.

3. MV /path/to/src/filename /path/to/dest/filename

The steps executed are:

- Client sends a request to M\_server to move the file.
- M\_server first checks if the filename was added using ADD\_FILE earlier. If not, it returns an error.
- M\_server then renames the original filename with the new filename in it's metadata structure.

#### 4. RM /path/to/file/filename

The steps executed are:

- Client sends a request to M\_server to delete the file.
- M\_server first checks if the filename was added using ADD\_FILE earlier. If not, it returns an error.
- Then, M\_server loops through all the chunks of the file. For each chunk, it sends a DELETE\_CHUNK message to the 3 D\_Servers which stores it.
- D\_servers use the remove() function to delete the chunk from local directory.
- In the end, M\_server frees the memory used in storing the metadata and renames the file as "DELETED". It is assumed that the user will not try to load any file named "DELETED" into the server.

#### 5. EXEC ON <pid of D server> <command>

It is assumed that the client knows the correct process id of the D\_Server to which the command needs to be sent. The Client sends the command to the D\_server in the form of a message and the D\_server executes and displays the result on it's terminal.

Comments were added in the code from time to time but it was not possible to describe each step due to the limited time frame.