

Canned FS - File Storage on Student Computer Cluster

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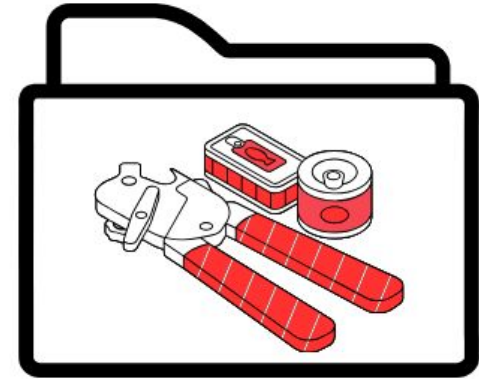


Simple Filesystem

Files separated into chunks stored on disk, some files might share chunks

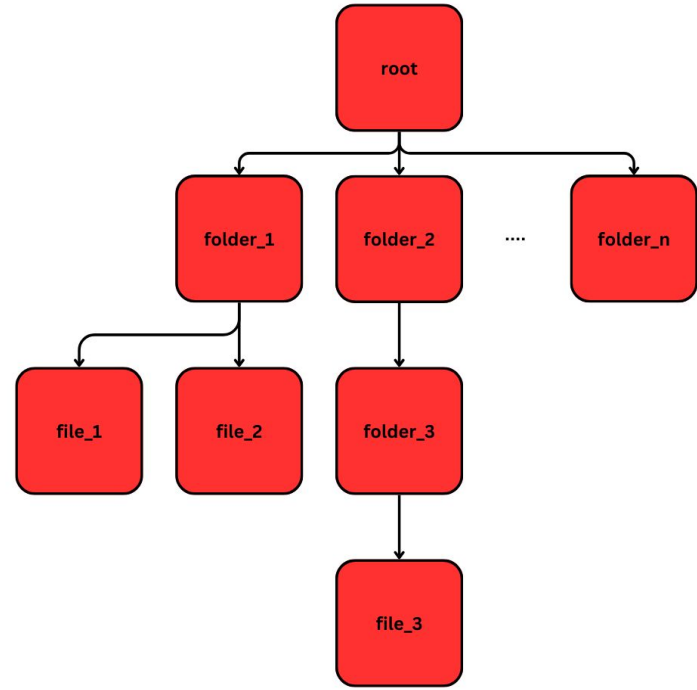
Queries

- Create: new file is loaded and added to data structure
- Find: request to download file, chunks are found and returned to user
- Delete: file is removed from system, any chunks deleted
- Update: change data within a file
- List: lists the names of existing files in directory
- Move: change the directory of a file



Data Structures for File System

- N-Node Tree for file metadata - indexed by file name
 - Directory location based on tree path
 - Chunk details stored in vector:
 - Start indexes of chunks for each file



Find File

- Implemented with method `searchByName`
 - Inputs: filename, starting folder
 - Using DFS to search through `TreeNode`s until file is found
 - Outputs: path to folder
 - $O(n)$

```
TreeNode *searchHelper(TreeNode *currentNode, const std::string &name) {  
    if (currentNode == nullptr) {  
        return nullptr;  
    }  
  
    if (currentNode->fileName == name) {  
        return currentNode;  
    }  
  
    for (TreeNode *child : currentNode->children) {  
        TreeNode *result = searchHelper(child, name);  
        if (result != nullptr) {  
            return result;  
        }  
    }  
  
    return nullptr;  
}
```

Create File

- Implemented with method storeFile
 - Inputs: filename, filetype, folder
 - Creates a TreeNode to represent the new file
 - Calls divide_chunks
 - $O(n + c)$
 - n = # of files in file system
 - c = # of chunks in file

```
//Store file in tree by creating new node and calling divide_chunks
bool storeFile(std::string filename, std::string type, std::string location){

    TreeNode* folder = this->searchByName(location);

    if(folder == nullptr || folder->fileType != "folder"){
        std::cout<<"Invalid folder!" << std::endl;
        return false;
    }

    TreeNode* file = new TreeNode(filename, type, folder);
    divide_chunks(filename, *file);
}
```

Dividing into Chunks

- Implemented in `divide_chunks`
 - Inputs: the `TreeNode` for the given file, the input file name
 - Based on the size of the file, allocates `n` chunks of 1 kilobyte each and stores their addresses to a vector in the `TreeNode`

Move

- Implemented with moveFile
 - Inputs: filename, folder name
 - Searches for nodes with filename and folder name
 - Updates parent/children relationships
 - $O(n)$

Delete

- Implemented with deleteFile
 - Input: file name
 - Finds the node with file name
 - Visit each children/grandchildren with dfs
 - For each visited subfile:
 - Free the storage space, delete Node from Tree

Copy File

- Implemented with `copyFile`
 - Inputs: original file name, new file name
 - Creates a new `TreeNode` and copies meta information from original file
 - Copy on Write mechanism: data itself is only copied when one of the files is updated
 - $O(n)$

Update

- Implemented with updateFile
 - Inputs: original file name
 - Read all the chunks
 - Update the respective chunks and/ or create new chunks
 - Update the chunk information in the vector
 - $O(n+c)$

List

- Implemented with method printTree that prints all the files at each level of the file
 - Prints each level with indentation
 - $O(n)$

```
void printTreeHelper(TreeNode *node, int level) {  
    if (node == nullptr) {  
        return;  
    }  
  
    // Print the current node with indentation based on its level  
    std::string indentation(level * 2, ' '); // 2 spaces per level of depth  
    std::cout << indentation << "- " << node->fileName << " (" << node->fileType  
        << ")" << std::endl;  
  
    // Recursively print each child  
    for (TreeNode *child : node->children) {  
        printTreeHelper(child, level + 1);  
    }  
}
```

Further Improvements

- Implement command line UI
 - Allow users to navigate through directories
 - Can create/delete from current directory, don't need to use `searchByName` which traverses entire tree
 - `createFile`: $O(n+m) \rightarrow O(m)$
 - `updateFile`: $O(n+m) \rightarrow O(m)$

How to Run on SCC Using Command Line

```
>> ./CannedFS  
>> root created @ address:  
>> create myFirstFolder folder  
>> change_directory myFirstFolder  
>> create myFirstFile txt  
>> copy myFirstFile mySecondFile  
>> create mySecondFolder folder  
>> move mySecondFile mySecondFolder  
>> find mySecondFile  
>> list
```