

## Implementation of code: In-memory file system

1. The **InMemoryFileSystem** class is designed to represent a simple in-memory file system. It has two main attributes:
2. **current\_directory**: Keeps track of the current working directory.
3. **file\_system**: A dictionary that represents the file system structure. Directories are keys, and their values are dictionaries representing files and subdirectories.
4. The **mkdir** method creates a new directory. It forms the full path of the new directory using `os.path.join` and then adds an entry to the `file_system` dictionary with an empty dictionary as its value.
5. The **touch** method creates a new empty file. It normalizes the file path and adds an entry to the `file_system` dictionary with an empty content field.
6. The **cd** method changes the current directory based on the provided path. It handles absolute paths, `'..'` for moving to the parent directory, and other relative paths.
7. The **ls** method lists the contents of a directory. It normalizes the path and checks if the directory exists in the file system. If it does, it prints the contents.

### 8. File Operations (cat, echo, mv, cp, rm)

These methods handle various file operations such as

- displaying file content.
- writing to a file.
- moving.
- copying.
- removing files.

They use normalized paths and manipulate the `file_system` dictionary accordingly.

### 9. Data Types Used:

**String:** Strings are used to represent directory and file paths throughout the code.

Example: `self.current_directory`, `directory_name`, `file_name`, `file_path`.

**Dictionary:** Dictionaries are used to represent the file system structure.

The keys are directory paths, and the values are dictionaries representing files and subdirectories within each directory.

Example: `self.file_system`.

**List:** Lists are used to store the contents of directories when listing them.

Example: contents in the ls method.

**JSON** (serialized dictionary): The json module is used to serialize and deserialize the file system state when saving and loading.

Example: json.dump(self.file\_system, file) in save\_state, self.file\_system = json.load(file) in load\_state.

### **Packages/Modules Used:**

#### **OS:**

The os module is used for interacting with the operating system, constructing file paths, and performing path normalization.

Example: os.path.join, os.path.normpath, os.path.dirname.

#### **json:**

The json module is used for JSON serialization and deserialization.

Example: json.dump, json.load.

#### **re (regular expression):**

The re module is used for regular expression matching in the grep method (bonus functionality).

Example: re.search.

## **10.Code Overview**

### **Initialization:**

The \_\_init\_\_ method initializes the in-memory file system with the root directory (/) and an empty file system dictionary.

**Directory and File Operations:** mkdir, touch, cd, ls, cat, echo, mv, cp, rm methods handle directory and file operations.

**Regular Expression (Bonus):** The grep method uses regular expressions to search for a specified pattern in a file.

**Path Handling:** The os module is used for constructing and normalizing file paths.

**File System State Persistence:** The save\_state and load\_state methods use the json module to serialize and deserialize the file system state for persistence.