

APS Filesystem Service Provider

User Guide

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1 APSFilesystemService

This provides a filesystem for writing and reading files. This filesystem resides outside of the OSGi server and is for longterm storage, which differs from `BundleContext.getDataFile()` which resides within bundle deployment. The `APSFilesystemService` also does not return a `File` object! It provides a file area for each unique owner name that is accessed through an API that cannot navigate nor access any files outside of this area. The "owner" name should be either an application name or a bundle name if it is only used by one bundle.

The `APSConfigService` uses the `APSFilesystemService` to store its configurations.

1.1 Setup

The `aps.filesystem.root` system property must be set to point to a root where this service provides its file areas. This is either passed to the JVM at server startup or configured withing the server. Glassfish allows you to configure properties within its admin gui. Virgo does not. If this is not provided the service will use `BundleContext.getDataFile(".")` as the root, which will work for testing and playing around, but should not be used for more serious purposes since this is not a path with a long term availability.

1.2 The service

The service allows you to create or get an `APSFilesystem` object. From that object you can create/read/delete directories (represented by `APSDirectory`) and files (represented by `APSFile`). You can get readers, writers, input streams and output streams from files. All paths are relative to the file area represented by the `APSFilesystem` object.

The javadoc for the `APSFilesystemService`.

1.3 The APIs for this service

```
public interface APSDirectory extends APSFile [se.natusoft.osgi.aps.api.core.filesystem.model] {
```

This represents a directory in an *APSFilesystem*.

Use this to create or get directories and files and list contents of directories.

Personal comment: I do prefer the term "folder" over "directory" since I think that is less ambiguous, but since Java uses the term "directory" I decided to stick with that name.

APSDirectory createDir(String name) throws IOException

Returns a newly created directory with the specified name.

Parameters

name - The name of the directory to create.

Throws

IOException - on any failure.

APSDirectory createDir(String name, String duplicateMessage) throws IOException

Returns a newly created directory with the specified name.

Parameters

name - The name of the directory to create.

duplicateMessage - The exception messaging if directory already exists.

Throws

IOException - on any failure.

APSFile createFile(String name) throws IOException

Creates a new file in the directory represented by the current *APSDirectory*.

Parameters

name - The name of the file to create.

Throws

IOException - on failure.

APSDirectory getDir(String dirname) throws FileNotFoundException

Returns the specified directory.

Parameters

dirname - The name of the directory to enter.

Throws

FileNotFoundException

APSFile getFile(String name)

Returns the named file in this directory.

Parameters

name - The name of the file to get.

void recursiveDelete() throws IOException

Performs a recursive delete of the directory represented by this *APSDirectory* and all subdirectories and files.

Throws

IOException - on any failure.

String[] list()

See

```
java.io.File.list()
```

APSFile[] listFiles()

See

```
java.io.File.listFiles()
```

```
}
```

```
public interface APSFile [se.natusoft.osgi.aps.api.core.filesystem.model] {
```

This represents a file in an *APSFilesystemService* provided filesystem. It provides most of the API of *java.io.File* but is not a *java.io.File*! It never discloses the full path in the host filesystem, only paths relative to its *APSFilesystem* root.

Use the *createInputStream/OutputStream/Reader/Writer* to read and write the file.

InputStream createInputStream() throws IOException

Creates a new *InputStream* to this file.

Throws

```
IOException
```

OutputStream createOutputStream() throws IOException

Creates a new *OutputStream* to this file.

Throws

```
IOException
```

Reader createReader() throws IOException

Creates a new *Reader* to this file.

Throws

```
IOException
```

Writer createWriter() throws IOException

Creates a new *Writer* to this file.

Throws

```
IOException
```

Properties loadProperties() throws IOException

If this file denotes a properties file it is loaded and returned.

Throws

IOException - on failure or if it is not a properties file.

void saveProperties(Properties properties) throws IOException

If this file denotes a properties file it is written with the specified properties.

Parameters

properties - The properties to save.

Throws

IOException - on failure or if it is not a properties file.

APSDirectory toDirectory()

If this *APSFile* represents a directory an *APSDirectory* instance will be returned. Otherwise *null* will be returned.

APSFile getAbsoluteFile()

See

java.io.File.getAbsoluteFile()

String getAbsolutePath()

Returns the absolute path relative to filesystem root.

APSFile getCanonicalFile() throws IOException

See

java.io.File.getCanonicalFile()

String getCanonicalPath() throws IOException

See

java.io.File.getCanonicalPath()

String getParent()

See

java.io.File.getParent()

APSDirectory getParentFile()

See

java.io.File.getParentFile()

String getPath()

See

java.io.File.getPath()

boolean renameTo(APSFile dest)

See

java.io.File.renameTo(File)

String getName()

See

java.io.File.getName()

boolean canRead()

See

java.io.File.canRead()

boolean canWrite()

See

java.io.File.canWrite()

boolean exists()

See

java.io.File.exists()

boolean exists(String name)

Checks if the named file/directory exists.

Returns

true or false.

Parameters

name - *The name to check.*

boolean isDirectory()

See

java.io.File.isDirectory()

boolean isFile()

See

java.io.File.isFile()

boolean isHidden()

See

java.io.File.isHidden()

long lastModified()

See

java.io.File.lastModified()

long length()

See

java.io.File.length()

boolean createNewFile() throws IOException

See

java.io.File.createNewFile()

boolean delete()

See

java.io.File.delete()

void deleteOnExit()

See

java.io.File.deleteOnExit()

String toString()

Returns a string representation of this *APSFile*.

File toFile()

This API tries to hide the real path and don't allow access outside of its root, but sometimes you just need the real path to pass on to other code requiring it. This provides that. Use it only when needed!

Returns

A File object representing the real/full path to this file.

}

```
public interface APSFilesystem [se.natusoft.osgi.aps.api.core.filesystem.model] {
```

This represents an *APSFilesystemService* filesystem.

APSDirectory getDirectory(String path) throws IOException

Returns a folder at the specified path.

Parameters

path - The path of the folder to get.

Throws

IOException - on any failure, specifically if the specified path is not a folder or doesn't exist.

APSFile getFile(String path)

Returns the file or folder of the specified path.

Parameters

path - The path of the file.

APSDirectory getRootDirectory()

Returns the root directory.

```
}
```

```
public interface APSFilesystemService [se.natusoft.osgi.aps.api.core.filesystem.service] {
```

This provides a filesystem for use by services/applications. Each filesystem has its own root that cannot be navigated outside of.

Services or application using this should do something like this in their activators:

```
APSFilesystemService fss;
APSFilesystem fs;

if (fss.hasFilesystem("my.file.system")) {
    fs = fss.getFilesystem("my.file.system");
}
else {
    fs = fss.createFilesystem("my.file.system");
}
```

APSFilesystem createFilesystem(String owner) throws IOException

Creates a new filesystem for use by an application or service. Where on disk this filesystem resides is irrelevant. It is accessed using the "owner", and will exist until it is removed.

Parameters

owner - The owner of the filesystem or rather a unique identifier of it. Consider using application or service

package.

Throws

IOException - on any failure. An already existing filesystem for the "owner" will cause this exception.

boolean hasFilesystem(String owner)

Returns true if the specified owner has a filesystem.

Parameters

owner - The owner of the filesystem or rather a unique identifier of it.

APSFilerSystem getFilesystem(String owner) throws IOException

Returns the filesystem for the specified owner.

Parameters

owner - The owner of the filesystem or rather a unique identifier of it.

Throws

IOException - on any failure.

void deleteFilesystem(String owner) throws IOException

Removes the filesystem and all files in it.

Parameters

owner - The owner of the filesystem to delete.

Throws

IOException - on any failure.

}
