

Today's Objectives

- Priya's Talk
- Distributed File Systems
- Final Projects

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Review: Priya's Talk

- "instrumented"

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Review

- What is the motivation for a distributed file system?
- What does it mean for a file system to be distributed?

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Review: Unix File System Operations

- `open(name, mode)`
 - `creat(name, mode)`
- } Return file descriptor

`creat()` is equivalent to `open()` with flags equal to `O_CREAT|O_WRONLY|O_TRUNC`.

This interface is made obsolete by: `open(2)`.

The `creat()` function is the same as:
`open(path, O_CREAT | O_TRUNC | O_WRONLY, mode);`

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Distributed File System Requirements

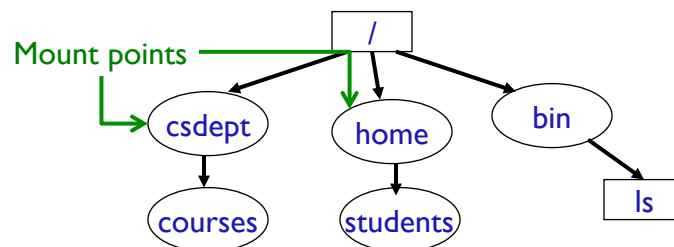
- Transparency
 - Access, location, mobility, performance, scaling
- Concurrent file updates
- File replication
- Hardware and OS heterogeneity
- Fault tolerance
- Consistency
- Security
- Efficiency

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Distributed File System Structure



- Perform **mount** operation to attach remote file system into local namespace
 - E.g., `/home/students` is actually a file on remote machine
 - Maps to `hydros.cs.wlu.edu:/exports/home/students`
- **Mounting** helps to combine files/directories in different systems and form a single file system structure

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How This Looks: df

df - report file system disk space usage

```
sprengle@python:~$ df -h
Filesystem      Size  Used Avail Use% Mounted on
devtmpfs        7.8G   0 7.8G   0% /dev
tmpfs           7.8G  27M 7.8G   1% /dev/shm
tmpfs           7.8G  2.4M 7.8G   1% /run
tmpfs           7.8G   0 7.8G   0% /sys/fs/cgroup
/dev/sdb4       102G  15G  82G  16% /
tmpfs           7.8G 220K 7.8G   1% /tmp
/dev/sdb2       976M 169M 740M  19% /boot
/dev/sdb1       200M  16M 185M   8% /boot/efi
hydros:/home    493G 248G 220G  53% /home
tmpfs           1.6G  20K 1.6G   1% /run/user/42
tmpfs           1.6G  6.2M 1.6G   1% /run/user/1677
tmpfs           1.6G  3.8M 1.6G   1% /run/user/1161
tmpfs           1.6G   0 1.6G   0% /run/user/1501
```

No one had accessed /home/courses
on python since last reboot

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hydros:/local   99G  9.0G  85G  10% /csdept
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Design Issue: Naming

- Based on the naming structure, you can't tell whether a file is local or remote
 - `/home/students/yourusername`
 - Vs
 - `/usr/bin/lis`
- Another example: using `~username` to refer to user's directory
 - Could be mapped to `/home/students/username` in client 1 and to `/usr/students/username` in client 2
- Result: Location Transparency

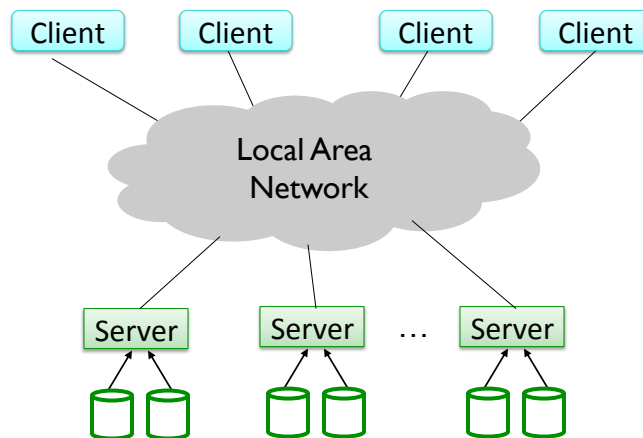
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DFS: Performance

- How can we make distributed file access approximate the performance of local file access?



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DFS: Performance

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 - Caching: take advantage of locality
 - Both *spatial* and *temporal*

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DFS: Performance

- How to make distributed file access approximate the performance of local file access?
- Caching: take advantage of locality
 - **Temporal locality**: something that is accessed will likely be accessed in the near future
 - **Spatial Locality**: a resource is more likely to be accessed if something “near” it was recently accessed

What issues are introduced by caching?

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UNIX File Usage

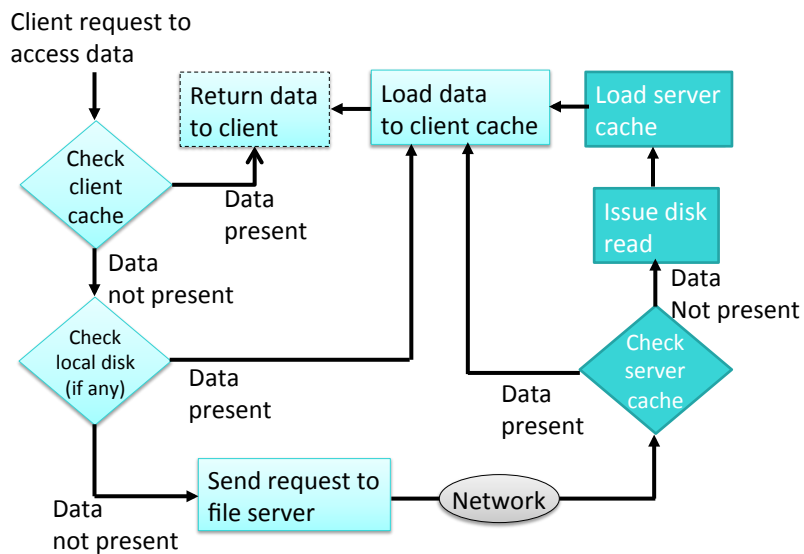
- Most files are small (< 10k)
- Reads outnumber writes (~6:1)
- Sequential access is common
 - (example of *spatial locality*)
- Files remain open for short period of time
 - 75% < .5s, 90% < 10s
- Most files accessed by exactly one user
 - Most shared files written by exactly one user
- **Temporal locality**: recently accessed files likely to be accessed again in near future
- Most bytes/files are short lived

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DFS Data Access



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Final Project Discussion

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Looking Ahead

- Use next Wednesday or Friday for Exam?

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