

NFS

(ft. last year OSN TA's slides inspiration :P)

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Network
File
System



What's included in this project?

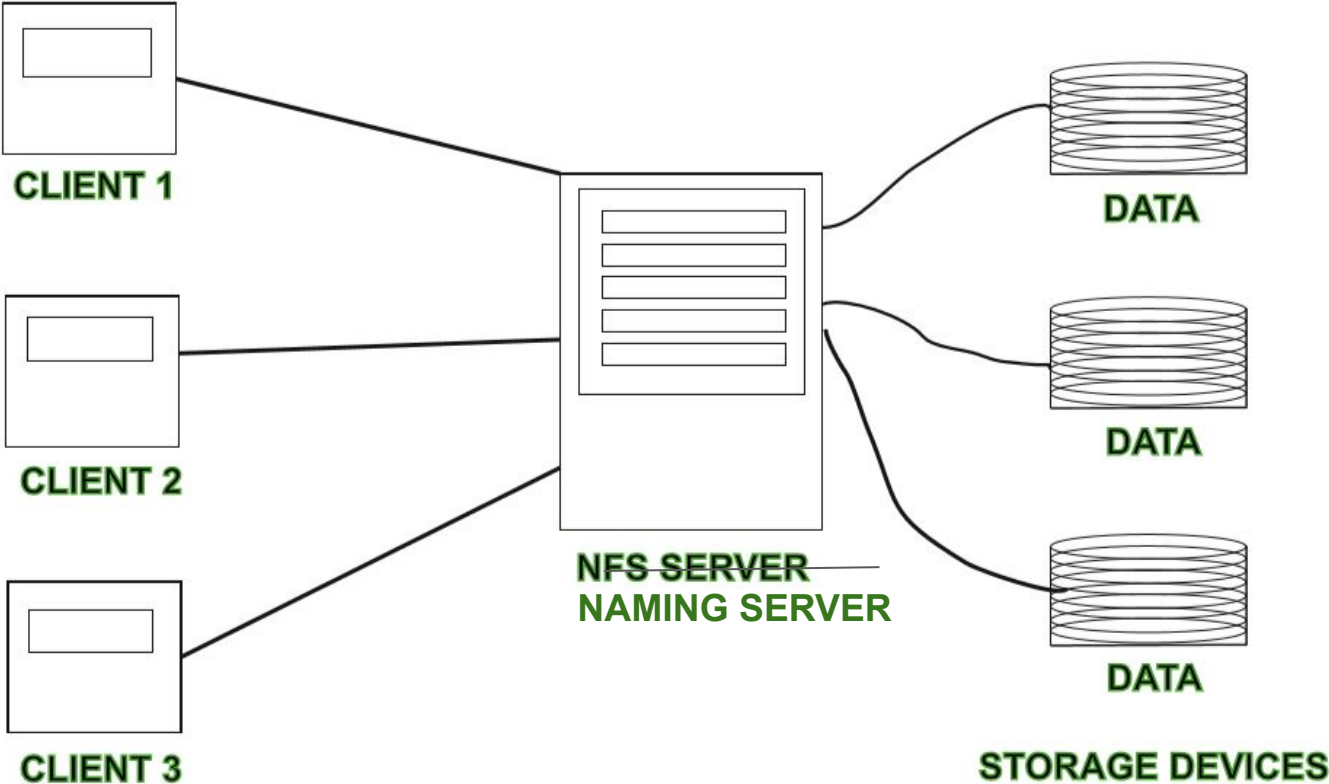
~~Distributed Systems?~~

1. Socket programming
2. Threading
3. Concurrency
4. Persistence

- OS Concepts
- Data Structures and Algorithms (no OJ)
- API Calls?

- Teamwork!

NFS



The storage servers



BIG DAWGS

- Store the data (duh)
- Expose the accessible paths to the NM
- Give relevant information such as ports, IP addresses, etc. to the NM on connection

Client



- Wants to read, write, modify files in the filesystem.
- Goes to NS
- Where there is NS, there is way.
- Multiple clients co-exist.

Multiple clients

How to handle multiple clients efficiently
and stay on top of your work



- File reading
- File Writing

Two clients request writing into
a file at once...what does NM
do?

Essentially your NM's *mantra* (Concurrent Client Access)

Naming Server

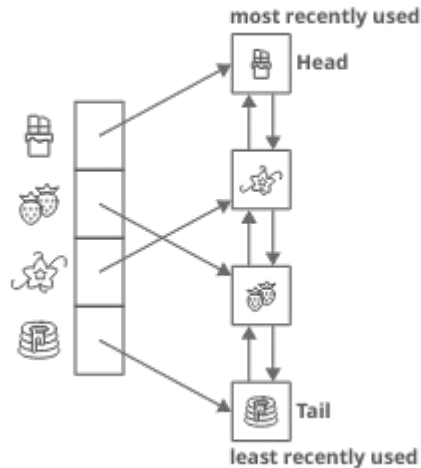
- I expect the previous parts to be relatively straightforward
- They account for ~50% of the assignment
- Let's take a look at the other specifications

Naming Server

- Can add new storage servers at any point in the execution (try to create a thread for adding new SS)
- Requests made to NM
 - Handled by SS
 - Reading files
 - Writing files
 - Access information
 - Music streaming
 - Handled by NM
 - Creating files and directories
 - Deleting files and directories
 - Copying files and directories
 - **A few places require ACK; a few requirements are asynchronous.**

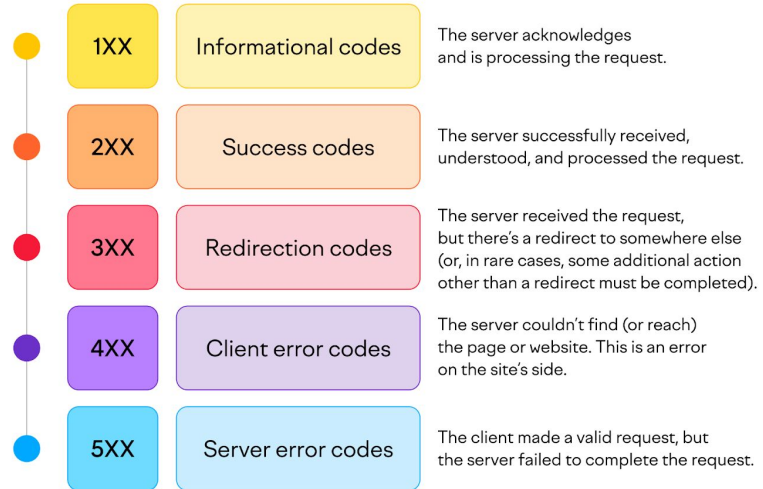
Search

- Linear search?
 - 🤔
- No, do something better than $O(n)$
 - *Tries and hashmaps* (You can copy code from online this ain't sem-2).
- Caching (LRU)



Other stuff

- Error codes
 - Will make your own life easier.
- Bookkeeping
 - Essentially debug statements
 - Very organised.



Motivation

- NFS is cool
- You get to build a proper *large* system (unlike C-shell)
- Learn a bunch of stuff. Seriously.
- If none of this worked
 - Think about what it can do for your resume :)
 - Corporate wants to know your location.(GS)

- Grades chahiye. (Projects 60%)



I asked Google for “Tech is cool” images

Some pointers

- Only POSIX Libraries
- If you're picking up something from - cite the resource
- Prompts given to LLMs should be included in the code
- Modular code
- Divide work efficiently; plan
- Should have started yesterday :/ (Jk Lmao)

Thanks for coming
(Go have lunch)