

TYPO3.Flow - Task # 51530

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Subject:	Improve speed of Files::readDirectoryRecursively using RecursiveDirectoryIterator?		
Description			
<h3>Basics (TL;DR)</h3>			
<p>TYPO3/Flow/Utility/Files::readDirectoryRecursively uses \DirectoryIterator instead of \RecursiveDirectoryIterator. I suspect that an implementation using \RecursiveDirectoryIterator would be faster.</p> <p>Let's write a version of readDirectoryRecursively that uses \RecursiveDirectoryIterator and profile the two versions to see which one is faster.</p>			
<h3>Background</h3>			
<p>When I asked about it in IRC, ChristianM said this:</p> <div style="border-left: 1px solid black; padding-left: 10px;"><p><i>ChristianM: if I remember right there was some oddness to the RecursiveDirectoryIterator that we wanted to avoid but I don't remember the specifics</i></p></div>			
<p>Consider this a selection of PHP Release dates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">01 May 2008 - PHP 5.2.610 May 2008 - Flow's Files::readDirectoryRecursively introduced30 Jun 2009 - PHP 5.3.017 Sep 2009 - PHP 5.2.1119 Nov 2009 - PHP 5.3.1			
<p>According to the Changelog for \RecursiveDirectoryIterator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">5.2.11 - Introduced RecursiveDirectoryIterator::FOLLOW_SYMLINKS5.3.0 - Extends FilesystemIterator (which extends DirectoryIterator) instead of DirectoryIterator5.3.0 - Implements SeekableIterator5.3.1 - Introduced RecursiveDirectoryIterator::FOLLOW_SYMLINKS			
<p>We don't even support 5.2 anymore, and haven't for a long time. I suspect that the oddness with \RecursiveDirectoryIterator has been fixed already, so I think that using \RecursiveDirectoryIterator is probably feasible now.</p>			
<h3>Stub Method</h3>			
<p>This is the same function only it doesn't filter hidden directories, just hidden files.</p> <pre>static public function readDirectoryRecursively(\$path, \$suffix = NULL, \$returnRealPath = FALSE, \$returnDotFiles = FALSE, &\$filenames = array()) { if (!is_dir(\$path)) { throw new Exception("'" . \$path . "' is no directory.", 1207253462); } }</pre>			

```

$directoryIterator = new \RecursiveIteratorIterator(
    new \RecursiveDirectoryIterator(
        $path,
        \FilesystemIterator::UNIX_PATHS|\FilesystemIterator::SKIP_DOTS|\FilesystemIterator::FOLLOW_SYMLINKS
    ),
    \RecursiveIteratorIterator::SELF_FIRST //returns directories as well.
);
$suffixLength = strlen($suffix);

foreach ($directoryIterator as $pathname => $fileInfo) {
    $filename = $fileInfo->getFilename();
    if ($returnDotFiles === FALSE && $filename[0] === '.') {
        continue;
    }
    //This is needed if directories are included (see SELF_FIRST above)
    //if ($fileInfo->isFile() && ($suffix === NULL || substr($filename, -$suffixLength) === $suffix)) {
    if ($suffix === NULL || substr($filename, -$suffixLength) === $suffix) {
        $filenames[] = self::getUnixStylePath(($returnRealPath === TRUE ? realpath($pathname) : $pathname));
    }
}
return $filenames;
}

```

History

#1 - 2013-08-29 17:55 - Jacob Floyd

OK. This one is functionally equivalent including removing hidden directories. However, it uses `\RecursiveCallbackFilterIterator` which is only available in PHP 5.4.

```

static public function readDirectoryRecursively($path, $suffix = NULL, $returnRealPath = FALSE, $returnDotFiles = FALSE) {
    if (!is_dir($path)) {
        throw new Exception("'" . $path . "' is no directory.", 1207253462);
    }

    $suffixLength = strlen($suffix);
    $filter = function ($fileInfo, $pathname, $iterator) use ($suffix, $suffixLength, $returnDotFiles) {
        $filename = $fileInfo->getFilename();
        if ($returnDotFiles === FALSE && $filename[0] === '.') {
            return FALSE;
        }
        if (($fileInfo->isFile() && ($suffix === NULL || substr($filename, -$suffixLength) === $suffix)) || $iterator->hasChildren()) {
            return TRUE;
        }
        return FALSE;
    };

    $directoryIterator = new \RecursiveIteratorIterator(
        new \RecursiveCallbackFilterIterator(
            new \RecursiveDirectoryIterator(
                $path,
                //defaults: \FilesystemIterator::KEY_AS_PATHNAME|\FilesystemIterator::CURRENT_AS_FILEINFO
                \FilesystemIterator::UNIX_PATHS|\FilesystemIterator::SKIP_DOTS|\FilesystemIterator::FOLLOW_SYMLINKS
            ), $filter
        )
    );
}

```

```
foreach ($directoryIterator as $pathname => $fileInfo) {  
    $filenames[] = self::getUnixStylePath(($returnRealPath === TRUE ? realpath($pathname) : $pathname));  
}  
return $filenames;  
}
```

#2 - 2013-08-29 19:49 - Jacob Floyd

I've been working on this, because I needed a more robust filtering mechanism when using `readDirectoriesRecursively`.

You can see my final version, based on the one in the previous comment [here](#)