

This is the main routine for the PyPoll exercise, submitted by M. Colton

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Requirements

Our task is to create a Python script that analyzes the election records to calculate each of the following:

The total number of votes cast

A complete list of candidates who received votes

The percentage of votes each candidate won

The total number of votes each candidate won

The winner of the election based on popular vote.

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Initialize variables used for sums or percentages

total_votes = 0

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Initialize empty lists for keeping

Voter ID (represents an individual vote)

unique candidate name (for producing slate of candidates, finding total number, percentages, and winner)

unique_candidate_name = []

candidate_votes = {}

each_percentage = {}

Include the operating system

module which allows creation of file paths across systems

import os

Also include the module for reading and operating on CSV files

import csv

import operator

Identify the path location of the data file, currently in local directory

csvpath = os.path.join("../Python_me_up_HW3", "election_data.csv")

print(f"{csvpath}")

Open the file and read header

with open(csvpath, newline="") as csvfile:

CSV reader specifies delimiter and variable that holds contents

Use DictReader method to read past header and store remaining rows

directly into an ordered dictionary

csvreader = csv.DictReader(csvfile, delimiter=',')

print(csvreader)

for row in csvreader:

print(row["Candidate"])

namerow = row["Candidate"]

Increment total votes as each row is read

total_votes += 1

Keep track of unique names as we loop through rows

and initialize the candidate's vote count on first

occurrence

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if namerow not in unique_candidate_name:
    unique_candidate_name.append(namerow)
    candidate_votes[namerow] = 0

candidate_votes[namerow] += 1

# print(unique_candidate_name)
# print(candidate_votes)
# print(total_votes)

# Find the candidate with the most votes, compute overall percentages and print out the results
maxpercent = 0
keep_percent = []
keep_vote = []

for name in candidate_votes:
    # retrieve the individual vote total
    each_vote = candidate_votes.get(name)

    # compute the vote percentage for each candidate

    each_percentage = float(each_vote / total_votes)

    keep_percent.append(each_percentage)
    keep_vote.append(each_vote)

    if(each_percentage > maxpercent):
        maxpercent = each_percentage
        winner = name

# Print to screen to check values in real time
title = "\n\t\tElection Results\n"
print(title.upper())
#print(f"\n {title}".upper())

print("#####")
print(f"\nTotal votes: \t\t{total_votes}\n")

print("#####")
ilist = 0
for name in candidate_votes:
    print(f" {name}:\t\t {keep_percent[ilist]:.2%} \t {keep_vote[ilist]}")
    ilist += 1

print("#####")
print(f"\nWinner is: {winner}\n")

print("#####")
# Write to text file to store ouput for later use

output_path_file = os.path.join("../Python_me_up_HW3","election_results.txt")

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# # Open a new file in "write" mode and variable name
with open(output_path_file, 'w') as newtext:
    title = "Election Results\n"
    newtext.write(title)

newtext.write("#####")
newtext.write(f"\nTotal votes: \t\t{total_votes}\n")

newtext.write("#####")
newtext.write(f"#####")
    ilist = 0
    iout = f"{name}:\t\t {keep_percent[ilist]:.2%} \t {keep_vote[ilist]}"
    for name in candidate_votes:
        newtext.write(iout)
        ilist += 1

newtext.write("#####")
newtext.write(f"#####")
newtext.write(f"\nWinner is: {winner}\n")

newtext.write("#####")
newtext.write(f"#####")

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OUTPUT TO SCREEN

ELECTION RESULTS

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Total votes:      3521001

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Khan:      63.00%      2218231
Correy:    20.00%      704200
Li:        14.00%      492940
O'Tooley:   3.00%      105630

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Winner is: Khan

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