

Course COMP-8567

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Read the manual of commands **find** and **tar** then write a Bash script, call it **organize**, to compress all files, from a target directory hierarchy, with specific extensions, into a number of **tar** files, to be saved in a destination directory.

Synopsis:

organize [-t tarDir] [-o orgDir] <extensionList>

organize should use command **find** to visit each file in the hierarchy, defined by root directory **tarDir**, and if their extensions are in **extensionList**, the files are copied to **orgDir**, where each group of same-extension files are tared to a single file called, **extensionName.tar** (e.g. **doc.tar**) then deleted (only **tar** files will remain).

In particular :

- When **orgDir** is missing, then directory **orgDir** should be created in current directory and used for tar files.
- When **tarDir** is missing, then current directory should be used as target directory.
- Your script should check if **orgDir** exists (when provided) and if it has write permission. Otherwise, your script should exit with an error message.
- Because command **find** might find multiple files with the exact same name and extension in different sub-directories of the hierarchy, your script should first check if the same name already exists in **orgDir**,

in which case you should add **_1** or **_2**, etc. to the destination file name resulting from the copy.

- The option arguments of the script can be in any order. For example,

organize [-o orgDir] [-t tarDir] <extension-list>.

or

organize [-t tarDir] [-o orgDir] <extension-list>

Below are some sample runs:

Case 1:

```
% organize -o ~/save txt doc
```

Searches all files whose extensions are either **txt** or **doc** in the whole directory hierarchy (root is current directory, that is, **.**), creates **~/save** if it does not exist already, then copies all these files to **~/save** (make sure same-name files are copied properly). Then, all **txt** files are tared as **txt.tar** and all **doc** files are tared as **doc.tar**.

Case 2:

```
% organize pdf doc txt
```

Searches all files whose extensions are either **pdf**, **doc** or **txt** in the directory hierarchy (root is **.**), creates **orgDir** then copies all these files to it and tar them accordingly.

Case 3:

```
% organize -o ~/save -t oldFiles pdf
```

Searches all files whose extension is **pdf** in the directory hierarchy (root is **./oldFiles**), creates **~/save**, if it does not exist already, then copies all these files to **~/save**, before taring them.

Hint: you can use **getopts** Linux built-in function to parse command line arguments of your script.