

AUTOMATE FILE SEGREGATION 1



What is our GOAL for this MODULE?

In this class, we learned about the **os** and **shutil** modules of **Python**.

What did we ACHIEVE in the class TODAY?

- Understood the importance of **os** and **shutil** modules

Which CONCEPTS/ CODING BLOCKS did we cover today?

- The **pip install**
- The **os**, **shutil** modules
- The **while** loop

How did we DO the activities?

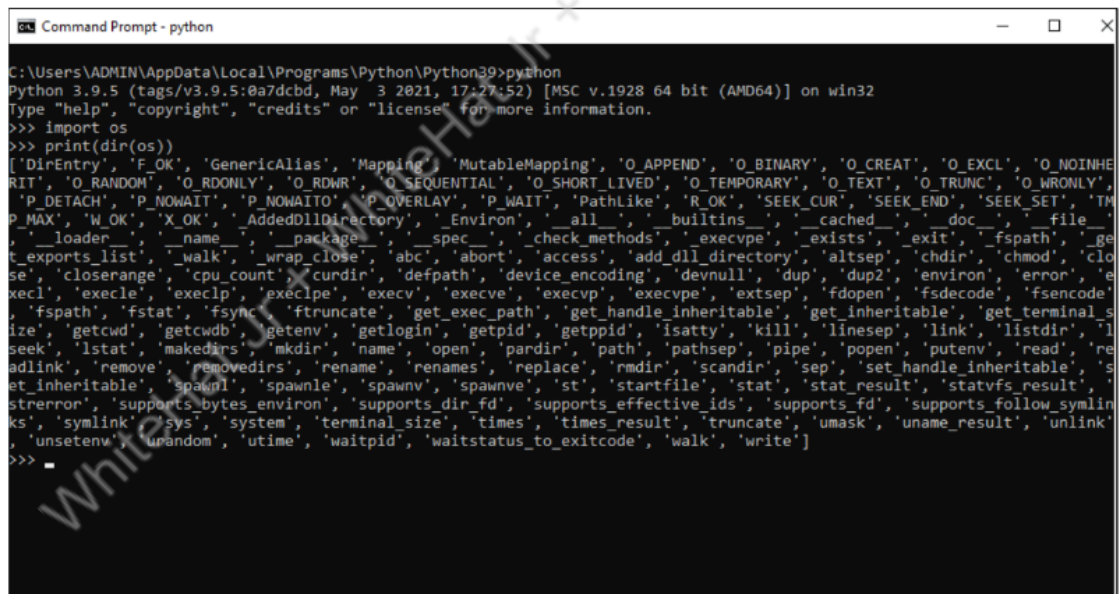
1. **OS module:** Our operating system provides us with different functionalities like moving files, copying files, and so on. The **os** module in Python provides us a way of using these operating system-dependent functionalities.

- Import **os** module.

```
>>> import os
```

- We can use **dir()** on the **os** module to see the methods of the **os** module.

```
>>> print(dir(os))
```



```
Command Prompt - python
C:\Users\ADMIN\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python39>python
Python 3.9.5 (tags/v3.9.5:0a7dcdb, May 3 2021, 17:27:52) [MSC v.1928 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> import os
>>> print(dir(os))
['DirEntry', 'F_OK', 'GenericAlias', 'Mapping', 'MutableMapping', 'O_APPEND', 'O_BINARY', 'O_CREAT', 'O_EXCL', 'O_NOINHERIT', 'O_RDONLY', 'O_RDWR', 'O_SEQUENTIAL', 'O_SHORT_LIVED', 'O_TEMPORARY', 'O_TEXT', 'O_TRUNC', 'O_WRONLY', 'P_DETACH', 'P_NOWAIT', 'P_NOWAITO', 'P_OVERLAY', 'P_WAIT', 'PathLike', 'R_OK', 'SEEK_CUR', 'SEEK_END', 'SEEK_SET', 'TM_MAX', 'W_OK', 'X_OK', 'AddedDllDirectory', 'Environ', 'all', 'builtins', 'cached', 'doc', 'file', 'loader', 'name', 'package', 'spec', 'check_methods', 'execvp', 'exists', 'exit', 'fspath', 'get_exports_list', 'walk', 'wrap_close', 'abc', 'abort', 'access', 'add_dll_directory', 'altsep', 'chdir', 'chmod', 'close', 'closerange', 'cpu_count', 'curdir', 'defpath', 'device_encoding', 'devnull', 'dup', 'dup2', 'environ', 'error', 'execl', 'execlp', 'execlpe', 'execv', 'execve', 'execvp', 'execvpe', 'extsep', 'fdopen', 'fsdecode', 'fsencode', 'fspath', 'fstat', 'fsync', 'ftruncate', 'get_exec_path', 'get_handle_inheritable', 'get_inheritable', 'get_terminal_size', 'getcwd', 'getcwdp', 'getenv', 'getlogin', 'getpid', 'getppid', 'isatty', 'kill', 'linesep', 'link', 'listdir', 'lseek', 'lstat', 'makedirs', 'mkdir', 'name', 'open', 'pardir', 'path', 'pathsep', 'pipe', 'popen', 'putenv', 'read', 'readlink', 'remove', 'removedirs', 'rename', 'renames', 'replace', 'rmdir', 'scandir', 'sep', 'set_handle_inheritable', 'set_inheritable', 'spawnl', 'spawnle', 'spawnv', 'spawnve', 'st', 'startfile', 'stat', 'stat_result', 'statvfs_result', 'strerror', 'supports_bytes_environ', 'supports_dir_fd', 'supports_effective_ids', 'supports_fd', 'supports_follow_symlinks', 'symlink', 'sys', 'system', 'terminal_size', 'times', 'times_result', 'truncate', 'umask', 'uname_result', 'unlink', 'unsetenv', 'urandom', 'utime', 'waitpid', 'waitstatus_to_exitcode', 'walk', 'write']
>>>
```

- Check our current working directory by using **getcwd()** in the **os** module.

```
>>> os.getcwd()
```

```
>>> os.getcwd()
'C:\\Users\\ADMIN'
>>>
```

- The **mkdir()** method in the **os** module is used to create new files or folders.

```
os.mkdir("name of the file/folder to create")
```

```
>>> os.mkdir("102")
```

- To get all the files and folders of the current directory, we can use the **listdir()** method in the **os** module.

```
>>> os.listdir()
```

```
>>> os.mkdir("102")
>>> os.listdir()
['.android', '.config', '.expo', '.idlerc', '.vscode', '102', '3D Objects',
'Cookies', 'Desktop', 'Documents', 'Downloads', 'e-library', 'Favorites', 'Ir
gs', 'Music', 'My Documents', 'NetHood', 'node_modules', 'NTUSER.DAT', 'ntus
{53b39e88-18c4-11ea-a811-000d3aa4692b}.TM.blf', 'NTUSER.DAT{53b39e88-18c4-11
000000001.regtrans-ms', 'NTUSER.DAT{53b39e88-18c4-11ea-a811-000d3aa4692b}.TM
'ntuser.ini', 'OneDrive', 'package-lock.json', 'Pictures', 'PrintHood', 'Rec
SlackSetup.exe', 'Start Menu', 'Templates', 'Videos']
>>>
```

- To check if a particular file or folder is present in a given folder path, we can use the **exists()** method in the **os.path** module.

```
os.path.exists("path of a folder/file")
```

```
>>> os.getcwd()
'C:\\Users\\ADMIN\\AppData\\Local\\Programs\\Python\\Python39'
>>> path = '/usr/local/bin/'
>>> isExist = os.path.exists(path)
>>> print(isExist)
False
>>> path = 'C:\\Users\\ADMIN\\AppData\\Local\\Programs\\Python\\Python39'
>>> isExist = os.path.exists(path)
>>> print(isExist)
True
>>> _
```

- The **os.path.splitext()** method in **Python** is used to split the path name into the (**root, ext**) pair where **root** is the whole path except the extension and **ext** is the file extension with a dot.

root, ext = os.path.splitext("path of a folder/file")

```
>>> import os
>>> path = "Downloads/feather.jfif"
>>> root, extension = os.path.splitext(path)
>>> print("Root of the path : ", root)
Root of the path : Downloads/feather
>>> print("Extension of the path : ", extension)
Extension of the path : .jfif
>>>
```

2. The **shutil** module: This helps us in automating the process of copying and removal of files and directories.

Steps to **copy** a file:

- Take a **source** variable and assign a file path.

>>> source = "/Downloads/feather.jfif"

- Take a **destination** variable, assign a path where we want to create a copy.

```
>>> destination = "/Downloads/copyfeature.jfif"
```

- Use the **copy()** method in the **shutil** module to copy the file from source to destination.

```
shutil.copy(source, destination)
```

```
>>> dest =shutil.copy(source, destination)
```

- Print the content of the folder to see if the copy is created.

```
>>> print("After copying file:")
```

```
>>> print(os.listdir(path))
```

```
>>> source = "Downloads/feather.jfif"
>>> destination = "Downloads/copyfeature.jfif"
>>> dest = shutil.copy(source, destination)
>>> print("After copying file:")
After copying file:
>>> print(os.listdir(path))
['ChromeSetup.exe', 'copyfeature.jfif', 'desktop.ini', 'feather.jfif', 'flower.jfif', 'hunter-main.zip', 'PiratesInvasionStage-2-main', 'PiratesInvasionStage-2-main.zip', 'PRO-C175.docx', 'Pro-Quiz-20.docx', 'Pro-Quiz-21.docx', 'Pro-Quiz-C22 (1).docx', 'Pro-Quiz-C22.docx', 'PRO_V3_C40_L1.tup-x64-1.55.2.exe']
>>> _
```

- There are other methods of **shutil()** to move the files or remove files altogether.
- The **shutil.move()** to move a file from source to destination.

What's next?

In the next class, we are going to continue by writing a code using the **os** and **shutil** module to move the image files from the download folder to a different folder.

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Learn more about the **os** module [here](#)

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