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How to get a list of sub-folders and their files, ordered by folder-names

Can I use dir command-line to get a list of sub-folders and their files, ordered by folder-names, and not just file-names?

using

dir /s/b/o:gn > f.txt

I first get all sub-folders and only then all sub files, e.g.:

```
d:\root0\root1\folderA
d:\root0\root1\folderB
d:\root0\root1\file00.txt
d:\root0\root1\file01.txt
d:\root0\root1\file01.txt
d:\root0\root1\folderA\fileA01.txt
d:\root0\root1\folderA\fileA01.txt
d:\root0\root1\folderB\fileB00.txt
d:\root0\root1\folderB\fileB00.txt
```

But I want to get -

```
d:\root0\root1\file00.txt
d:\root0\root1\file01.txt
d:\root0\root1\folderA
d:\root0\root1\folderA\fileA00.txt
d:\root0\root1\folderA\fileA01.txt
d:\root0\root1\folderB\fileB00.txt
d:\root0\root1\folderB\fileB00.txt
d:\root0\root1\folderB\fileB00.txt
```

["file00.txt" and "file01.txt" can also be at the end of the list]

Thanks,

Atara

command-line directory ms-dos



asked Aug 10 '10 at 9:17

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6 Answers

How about using sort ?

dir /b /s | sort

Here's an example I tested with:

dir /s /b /o:gn

- d:\root0
- d:\root0\root1
- d:\root0\root1\folderA
- d:\root0\root1\folderB

```
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   d:\root0\root1\file00.txt
   d:\root0\root1\file01.txt
    d:\root0\root1\folderA\fileA00.txt
    d:\root0\root1\folderA\fileA01.txt
    d:\root0\root1\folderB\fileB00.txt
    d:\root0\root1\folderB\fileB01.txt
   dir /s /b | sort
   d:\root0
    d:\root0\root1
    \verb|d:\root0\root1\file00.txt|\\
    d:\root0\root1\file01.txt
    d:\root0\root1\folderA
    d:\root0\root1\folderA\fileA00.txt
    d:\root0\root1\folderA\fileA01.txt
    d:\root0\root1\folderB
    d:\root0\root1\folderB\fileB00.txt
   d:\root0\root1\folderB\fileB01.txt
   To just get directories, use the /A:D parameter:
    dir /a:d /s /b | sort
                                            edited Dec 19 '14 at 13:08
                                                                            answered Nov 24 '11 at 17:21
                                                                                  Cylindric
                                                                                  4.312 1 32 57
      What if I only want folder names? - Rommel Paras Dec 18 '14 at 23:03
      I've updated my answer with a dirs-only option. - Cylindric Dec 19 '14 at 13:08
      Would you be so kind and update your answer how to get only files and not folders? - Hemus San Sep 6
      @HemusSan Only listing files would be this: dir /a:-d /s /b | sort - Timm May 12 at 11:36
   Hej man, why are you using this?
     dir /s/b/o:gn > f.txt (wrong one)
   Don't you know what is that 'g' in '/o' ??
   Check this out: http://www.computerhope.com/dirhlp.htm or dir /? for dir help
   You should be using this instead:
     dir /s/b/o:n > f.txt (right one)
                                            edited Jun 12 '14 at 0:31
                                                                             answered Dec 14 '12 at 0:58
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      Not sure why the upvotes - this is clearly and testably WRONG. pastebin.com/qCUu4AHq - Cylindric Jul 31
      '14 at 15:45
   dir /b /a-d /s *.* will fulfill your requirement.
    edited Oct 26 '12 at 7:33
                                    answered Apr 5 '12 at 15:26
          Nikana Reklawyks
                                          Tamal Ghosh
          1,718 1 14 41
                                          41
   Command to put list of all files and folders into a text file is as
   below:
   Eg: dir /b /s | sort > ListOfFilesFolders.txt
```



create a vbs file and copy all code below. Change directory location to wherever you want.

```
Dim fso
Dim ObjOutFile
Set fso = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
Set ObjOutFile = fso.CreateTextFile("OutputFiles.csv")
ObjOutFile.WriteLine("Type,File Name,File Path")
GetFiles("YOUR LOCATION")
ObjOutFile.Close
WScript.Echo("Completed")
Function GetFiles(FolderName)
    On Error Resume Next
    Dim ObjFolder
Dim ObjSubFolders
     Dim ObjSubFolder
    Dim ObjFiles
    Dim ObjFile
    Set ObjFolder = fso.GetFolder(FolderName)
Set ObjFiles = ObjFolder.Files
    For Each ObjFile In ObjFiles
ObjOutFile.WriteLine("File," & ObjFile.Name & "," & ObjFile.Path)
    Set ObjSubFolders = ObjFolder.SubFolders
    For Each ObjFolder In ObjSubFolders
         ObjOutFile.WriteLine("Folder," & ObjFolder.Name & "," & ObjFolder.Path)
         GetFiles(ObjFolder.Path)
End Function
```

Save the code as vbs and run it. you will get a list in that directory

answered Jul 17 '13 at 12:33



btw, your server or pc must be able to run script.... – Teemo Jul 17 '13 at 12:42

In command prompt go to the main directory you want the list for ... and type the command tree /f

> answered Jan 25 at 19:04 samamedh

