

Duplicate Analysis: Quantify the files that exist in more than one directory

As part of Candidate Interview

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Introduction

Context

- There is a set of files in NAS to be loaded into a PLM system
- Only single version can be loaded even if multiple copies exist in the disk
- file existing in multiple directories make which version to load ambiguous

Problem statement

We need to quantify the files that exist in more than one directory

Points to consider

1: Extra Directories

- 173609 line entries in the nas_top_level_dir.txt
- Directories exist that is not based on lifecycle state
- ["Review", "release", "in-process"] Matters

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Z:\release\389-4318-201.prt  
Z:\release\387-0013-330.prt  
Z:\release\387-0013-331.prt  
Z:\release\387-0013-332.prt  
Z:\release\153-3299-001.prt  
Z:\test\pdmweb_test_1.txt  
Z:\test2\00218-901-9.prt  
Z:\test2\00218-901.prt  
Z:\test2\003-0178-020.prt  
Z:\test2\003-0255-060.prt  
Z:\test2\003-0285-090.prt  
Z:\test2\003-0287-010.prt  
Z:\test2\003-1976-000.prt
```

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Z:\inactive  
Z:\review  
Z:\in-process  
Z:\complete  
Z:\preliminary  
Z:\release  
Z:\test  
Z:\test2  
Z:\inactive\270-9191-211.prt  
Z:\inactive\270-9191-212.prt  
Z:\inactive\270-9191-219.prt  
Z:\inactive\270-9191-911.prt  
Z:\inactive\270-9191-619.prt  
Z:\in-process\153-3299-001.prt  
Z:\test2\00-ps260-r001.prt  
Z:\test2\000-3451-009.prt  
Z:\test2\000-01-03-169.prt  
Z:\inactive\270-9191-612.prt  
Z:\inactive\270-9191-919.prt  
Z:\inactive\270-9191-912.prt  
Z:\inactive\270-9191-611.prt
```

Points to consider

2: Case Insensitive

- This is a windows NAS
- Filenames are not case sensitive
- Detection algorithm should ignore case

Points to consider

3: unsorted

- Filenames are not in any particular order
- An alphabetical listing will require sorting

Total Files Distribution

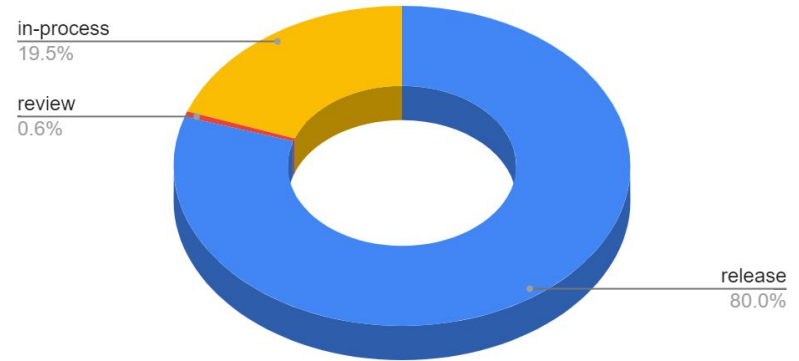
Number of files in release : 138753

Number of files in review : 969

Number of files in in-process : 33766

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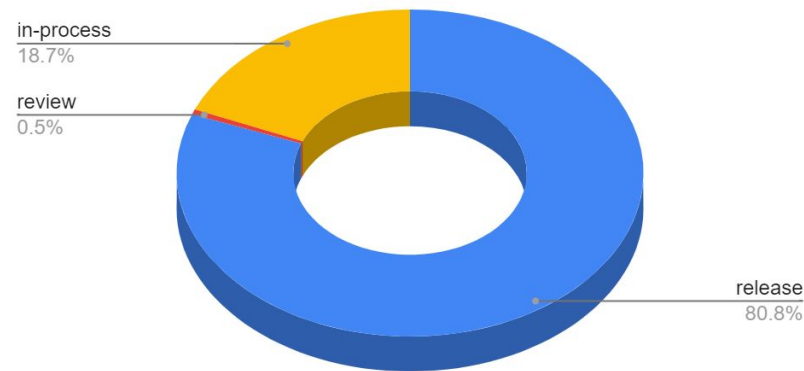
Total:	173488
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Unique Files Distribution:

Files that has no duplicate

Number of unique files in release	:	136319
Number of unique files in review	:	841
Number of unique files in in-process	:	31451
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Total:		168611



Duplicate Files

Duplicates	Number
Number of files in both release and review:	123
Number of files in both release and in-process:	2310
Number of files in both review and in-process:	4
Number of files existing in all 3 directory	1
Total	2438

Observations:

- We are unable to check if file with same name are identical
- We can't compare the checksum
- We can only assume they are same unless more information is provided about these files (i.e., metadata, timestamp, history, version number)
- All files are .prt files

Programming Solution

script : duplicate_analysis.py

Input: nas_top_level_dir.txt

Output: duplicate_analysis.txt

Data structure

```
pri_dict={ 'file1': {  
            'count': 1,  
            'in-process': 0,  
            'release': 1,  
            'review': 0  
        },  
    'file2': {  
        'count': 2,  
        'in-process': 0,  
        'release': 1,  
        'review': 1  
    },  
    .  
    .  
    .  
}
```

Summary: Alphabetical listing

no.	filenames	:	review	in-process	release
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1	000588d-00.prt	:	0	1	1
2	003-0287-020.prt	:	0	1	1
3	003-1424-000.prt	:	0	1	1
4	003-1424-070.prt	:	0	1	1
5	01-p40203k.prt	:	0	1	1
6	01-p40397k001.prt	:	0	1	1
7	01-p56123u.prt	:	0	1	1
8	015-4101-020.prt	:	0	1	1
9	015-4101-040.prt	:	0	1	1
10	015-4101-050.prt	:	0	1	1

https://github.com/almasudme/duplicate_analysis/blob/main/duplicate_analysis.py

Questions?