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Modifying an Existing To-Do List Script and Adding Functions

Introduction

The following document outlines the steps taken to modify and update a Python script written by a different author with additional functions that will allow a user to select from a menu of options to input to-do list items and their associated priority level, edit the list, and store the input data into a text file.

Process

1. Write the script in PyCharm (Appendix A).
    a. I found it more difficult to find the right locations to edit the formatting based on someone else's code.
    b. It was difficult to determine if it was worth spending time to edit parts of the code that would have no functional output difference based on personal preference.
    c. This assignment felt easier after working through corrections to the prior assignment, though I still feel confused on when to use tables, lists, dictionaries, etc. and need to spend more time researching these items.
2. Run the script in PyCharm (Appendix B).
3. Run the script in the Command Prompt window (Figure 3).

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Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.19042.1165]
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C:\Users\camer>python "C:\Users\camer\_PythonClass\Assignment06\main.py"

******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******

Laundry (Mid)
Groceries (High)
Walk Dog (High)

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        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
        2) Remove an existing Task
        3) Save Data to File
        4) Reload Data from File
        5) Exit Program


Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 1

Task name: Mow Lawn
Task priority: Low

Success - the task has been added.

Press the [Enter] key to continue.

******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******

Laundry (Mid)
Groceries (High)
Walk Dog (High)
Mow Lawn (Low)

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        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
        2) Remove an existing Task
        3) Save Data to File
        4) Reload Data from File
        5) Exit Program


Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 2

What task would you like to remove? Laundry

Success - the task has been removed.

Press the [Enter] key to continue.

******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******
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Press the [Enter] key to continue.

******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******

Groceries (High)
Walk Dog (High)
Mow Lawn (Low)

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        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
        2) Remove an existing Task
        3) Save Data to File
        4) Reload Data from File
        5) Exit Program


Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 3

Save this data to file? (y/n) - y

Success - the data has been saved.

Press the [Enter] key to continue.

******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******

Groceries (High)
Walk Dog (High)
Mow Lawn (Low)

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        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
        2) Remove an existing Task
        3) Save Data to File
        4) Reload Data from File
        5) Exit Program


Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 4

Warning: Unsaved Data Will Be Lost!
Are you sure you want to reload data from file? (y/n) -  y

Success.

Press the [Enter] key to continue.

******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******

Groceries (High)
Walk Dog (High)
Mow Lawn (Low)

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        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
        2) Remove an existing Task
        3) Save Data to File
        4) Reload Data from File
        5) Exit Program


Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 5

Goodbye!

C:\Users\camer>
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Figure 3: Example of the script successfully running in the Command Prompt window.

4. Confirm user input is being saved to the defined file location (Figure 4).

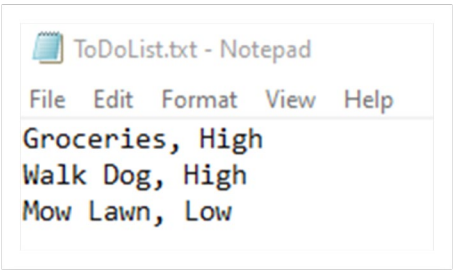

Figure 4: Image of the text file that updates based on user input.

Summary

This document outlined the steps taken to modify and update a Python script written by a different author with additional functions that will allow a user to select from a menu of options to input to-do list items and their associated priority level, edit the list, and store the input data into a text file.

Appendix A

File - C:\Users\camer_PythonClass\Assignment06\main.py

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# ------------------------------------------------------------------------ #
# Title: Assignment 06
# Description: Working with functions in a class,
#              When the program starts, load each "row" of data
#              in "ToDoList.txt" into a python Dictionary.
#              Add the each dictionary "row" to a python list "table"
# ChangeLog (Who,When,What):
# RRoot,1.1.2030,Created started script
# RRoot,1.1.2030,Added code to complete assignment 5
# CMathews,8.15.2021,Modified code to complete assignment 6
# CMathews,8.17.2021,Modified output formatting
# ------------------------------------------------------------------------ #

# Data ------------------------------------------------------------------- #
# Declare variables and constants
strFileName = "ToDoList.txt"  # The name of the data file
objFile = None  # An object that represents a file
dicRow = {}  # A row of data separated into elements of a dictionary {Task,Priority}
lstTable = []  # A list that acts as a 'table' of rows
strChoice = ""  # Captures the user option selection
strTask = ""  # Captures the user task data
strPriority = ""  # Captures the user priority data
strStatus = ""  # Captures the status of an processing functions


# Processing  ------------------------------------------------------------ #
class Processor:
    """  Performs Processing tasks """

    @staticmethod
    def read_data_from_file(file_name, list_of_rows):
        """ Reads data from a file into a list of dictionary rows

        :param file_name: (string) with name of file:
        :param list_of_rows: (list) you want filled with file data:
        :return: (list) of dictionary rows
        """
        list_of_rows.clear()  # clear current data
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39          file = open(file_name, "r")
40          for line in file:
41              task, priority = line.split(",")
42              row = {"Task": task.strip(), "Priority": priority.strip()}
43              list_of_rows.append(row)
44          file.close()
45          return list_of_rows, '\nSuccess.'
46
47      @staticmethod
48      def add_data_to_list(task, priority, list_of_rows):
49          """Adds a task and its priority to the list of dictionary rows
50
51          :param task: (string) with name of task:
52          :param priority: (string) with priority of task:
53          :param list_of_rows: (list) data you want added to list
54          :return: (list) of dictionary rows
55          """
56          dicRow = {"Task": task, "Priority": priority}
57          list_of_rows.append(dicRow)
58          return list_of_rows, '\nSuccess - the task has been added.'
59
60      @staticmethod
61      def remove_data_from_list(task, list_of_rows):
62          """Removes a task and its priority from the list
63
64          :param task: (string) of task to remove
65          :param list_of_rows: (list) of dictionary rows
66          :return: (list) of dictionary rows, (string) message
67          """
68          for item in list_of_rows:
69              if task == item["Task"]:
70                  list_of_rows.remove(item)
71                  return list_of_rows, "\nSuccess - the task has been removed."
72              else:
73                  return list_of_rows, '\nError - task not found.'
74
75      @staticmethod
76      def write_data_to_file(file_name, list_of_rows):
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        """Writes dictionary data to text file

        :param: file_name: (object) of text file
        :param: list_of_rows: (list) of dictionary rows
        :return: (list) of dictionary rows, (string) message
        """
        objFileText = open(file_name, "w")
        for item in list_of_rows:
            objFileText.write(item["Task"] + ", " + item["Priority"] + "\n")
        objFileText.close()
        return list_of_rows, '\nSuccess - the data has been saved.'


# Presentation (Input/Output)  -------------------------------------------- #
class IO:
    """ Performs Input and Output tasks """

    @staticmethod
    def print_menu_Tasks():
        """  Display a menu of choices to the user

        :return: nothing
        """
        print('''
        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
        2) Remove an existing Task
        3) Save Data to File
        4) Reload Data from File
        5) Exit Program
        ''')
        print()  # Add an extra line for looks

    @staticmethod
    def input_menu_choice():
        """ Gets the menu choice from a user

        :return: string
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115         """
116         choice = str(input("Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - ")).strip()
117         print()  # Add an extra line for looks
118         return choice
119
120     @staticmethod
121     def print_current_Tasks_in_list(list_of_rows):
122         """ Shows the current Tasks in the list of dictionaries rows
123
124         :param list_of_rows: (list) of rows you want to display
125         :return: nothing
126         """
127         print("\n******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******\n")
128         for row in list_of_rows:
129             print(row["Task"] + " (" + row["Priority"] + ")")
130         print("\n*******************************************")
131         print()  # Add an extra line for looks
132
133     @staticmethod
134     def input_yes_no_choice(message):
135         """ Gets a yes or no choice from the user
136
137         :return: string
138         """
139         return str(input(message)).strip().lower()
140
141     @staticmethod
142     def input_press_to_continue(optional_message=''):
143         """ Pause program and show a message before continuing
144
145         :param optional_message:  An optional message you want to display
146         :return: nothing
147         """
148         print(optional_message)
149         input('\nPress the [Enter] key to continue.')
150
151     @staticmethod
152     def input_new_task_and_priority():
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153         task = input("Task name: ")
154         priority = input("Task priority: ")
155         return task, priority
156
157     @staticmethod
158     def input_task_to_remove():
159         task = input("What task would you like to remove? ")
160         return task
161
162
163 # Main Body of Script  ------------------------------------------------------ #
164
165 # Step 1 - When the program starts, Load data from ToDoFile.txt.
166 Processor.read_data_from_file(strFileName, lstTable)  # read file data
167
168 # Step 2 - Display a menu of choices to the user
169 while (True):
170     # Step 3 Show current data
171     IO.print_current_Tasks_in_list(lstTable)  # Show current data in the list/table
172     IO.print_menu_Tasks()  # Shows menu
173     strChoice = IO.input_menu_choice()  # Get menu option
174
175     # Step 4 - Process user's menu choice
176     if strChoice.strip() == '1':  # Add a new Task
177         strTask, strPriority = IO.input_new_task_and_priority()
178         lstTable, strStatus = Processor.add_data_to_list(strTask, strPriority, lstTable)
179         IO.input_press_to_continue(strStatus)
180         continue  # to show the menu
181
182     elif strChoice == '2':  # Remove an existing Task
183         strTask = IO.input_task_to_remove()
184         lstTable, strStatus = Processor.remove_data_from_list(strTask, lstTable)
185         IO.input_press_to_continue(strStatus)
186         continue  # to show the menu
187
188     elif strChoice == '3':  # Save Data to File
189         strChoice = IO.input_yes_no_choice("Save this data to file? (y/n) - ")
190         if strChoice.lower() == "y":
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191             lstTable, strStatus = Processor.write_data_to_file(strFileName,lstTable)
192             IO.input_press_to_continue(strStatus)
193         else:
194             IO.input_press_to_continue("Save Cancelled!")
195         continue  # to show the menu
196
197     elif strChoice == '4':  # Reload Data from File
198         print("Warning: Unsaved Data Will Be Lost!")
199         strChoice = IO.input_yes_no_choice("Are you sure you want to reload data from file? (y/n) -  ")
200         if strChoice.lower() == 'y':
201             lstTable, strStatus = Processor.read_data_from_file(strFileName,lstTable)
202             IO.input_press_to_continue(strStatus)
203         else:
204             IO.input_press_to_continue("File Reload Cancelled!")
205         continue  # to show the menu
206
207     elif strChoice == '5':  # Exit Program
208         print("Goodbye!")
209         break  # and Exit
210
```

Appendix B

File - main

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C:\Users\camer\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python39\python.exe C:/Users/camer/_PythonClass/Assignment06/main.py

******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******

Walk Dog (Medium)
Laundry (High)

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        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
        2) Remove an existing Task
        3) Save Data to File
        4) Reload Data from File
        5) Exit Program


Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 1

Task name: Groceries
Task priority: Low

Success - the task has been added.

Press the [Enter] key to continue.

******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******

Walk Dog (Medium)
Laundry (High)
Groceries (Low)

*****************************************


        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
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```
39          2) Remove an existing Task
40          3) Save Data to File
41          4) Reload Data from File
42          5) Exit Program
43
44
45 Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 2
46
47 What task would you like to remove? Walk Dog
48
49 Success - the task has been removed.
50
51 Press the [Enter] key to continue.
52
53 ******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******
54
55 Laundry (High)
56 Groceries (Low)
57
58 ****************************************
59
60
61          Menu of Options
62          1) Add a new Task
63          2) Remove an existing Task
64          3) Save Data to File
65          4) Reload Data from File
66          5) Exit Program
67
68
69 Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 3
70
71 Save this data to file? (y/n) - y
72
73 Success - the data has been saved.
74
75 Press the [Enter] key to continue.
76
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```
******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******

Laundry (High)
Groceries (Low)

*****************************************


        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
        2) Remove an existing Task
        3) Save Data to File
        4) Reload Data from File
        5) Exit Program


Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 4

Warning: Unsaved Data Will Be Lost!
Are you sure you want to reload data from file? (y/n) -  y

Success.

Press the [Enter] key to continue.

******* The current Tasks ToDo are: *******

Laundry (High)
Groceries (Low)

*****************************************


        Menu of Options
        1) Add a new Task
        2) Remove an existing Task
        3) Save Data to File
        4) Reload Data from File
```

File - main

```
115         5) Exit Program
116
117
118 Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 5
119
120 Goodbye!
121
122 Process finished with exit code 0
123
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