

Creating an Org Hierarchy Example in Python

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In this sample we will create a simple org hierarchy in Python using sample Departments and Employees and providing a employee search functionality for the departments

Lets begin with the import statements

```
import json
from json2html import *
import webbrowser
import os
```

Now lets define the Department and Employee Classes respectively

```
class Department(dict):
    def __init__(self, deptId, name):
        super().__init__()
        self.__dict__ = self
        self.deptId = deptId
        self.name = name
        self.employees = []

    def addEmployee(self, employee):
        self.employees.append(employee)

    def searchEmployee(self, employeeName):
        found = False
        for item in self.employees:
            if ((item.firstName == employeeName) | (item.lastName == employeeName)):
                found = True
                return f"Record for {employeeName} found in {self.name} Department"
        return f"Record for {employeeName} was not found in {self.name} Department"

class Employee(dict):
    def __init__(self, firstName, lastName, empId, email):
        super().__init__()
        self.__dict__ = self
        self.firstName = firstName
        self.lastName = lastName
        self.empId = empId
        self.email = email
```

In the above block you can see that the search only searches the first name and last name against the search criteria, this can be enhanced to do partial text search against first name, last name and email as well.

Lets create some demo data

```
emp1 = Employee("John", "Doe", "1000", "johndoe@bigdecimals.com")
emp2 = Employee("Jane", "Doe", "1001", "janedoe@bigdecimals.com")
emp3 = Employee("Mary", "Jane", "1002", "maryJane@bigdecimals.com")
emp4 = Employee("Bill", "LNU", "1003", "bill@bigdecimals.com")
emp5 = Employee("Smith", "LNU", "1004", "smith@bigdecimals.com")
emp6 = Employee("Debasis", "Das", "1005", "debasis_das@bigdecimals.com")
```

```
dept1 = Department("10", "Human Resources")
dept2 = Department("11", "Engineering")
dept1.addEmployee(emp1)
dept1.addEmployee(emp2)
dept1.addEmployee(emp3)
```

```
dept2.addEmployee(emp4)
dept2.addEmployee(emp5)
dept2.addEmployee(emp6)
```

```
allDepts = [dept1, dept2]
```

Lets view the hierarchy in a nested table structure in HTML

```

formatted_table = json2html.convert(json = allDepts_JSON, table_attributes="id=\"info-table\" class=\"table table-bordered\"")
fileName = 'dept.html'
html_string = '''
<html>
<head>
<title> HTML </title>
<!-- CSS only -->
<link href="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/bootstrap@5.2.0-beta1/dist/css/bootstrap.min.css" rel="stylesheet" integrity="sha384-0evHe/X+R7YkIZDRvuzKMRqM+OrBnVFBL6D0itfPri4tjfhXaWutUpFmBp4vmVor"
crossorigin="anonymous">
</head>
<body>
{tableData}
</body>
</html>
'''

fileIndex = open(fileName, "w")
fileIndex.write(html_string.format(tableData=formatted_table))
fileIndex.close()

fileFullPath = 'file:///'+os.getcwd()+ '/' + fileName
webbrowser.open_new_tab(fileFullPath)

```

deptid	name	employees			
10	Human Resources	firstName	lastName	empId	email
		John	Doe	1000	johndoe@bigdecimals.com
		Jane	Doe	1001	janedoe@bigdecimals.com
		Mary	Jane	1002	maryJane@bigdecimals.com
11	Engineering	firstName	lastName	empId	email
		Bill	LNU	1003	bill@bigdecimals.com
		Smith	LNU	1004	smith@bigdecimals.com
		Debasis	Das	1005	debasis_das@bigdecimals.com

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Now lets search an employee name in a department

```

dept1.searchEmployee("John")
'Record for John found in Human Resources Department'
dept1.searchEmployee("John 1")
'Record for John 1 was not found in Human Resources Department'

```

As a next step we can save this data (normalized form) in a database and write a python program that joins the department and employee table to provide a denormalized view of the data and additionally can build a UI to search employees or view department to employee relationships.