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# **Abstract**

This project focuses on the development of a Python-based automation tool designed to facilitate the execution of predefined file and directory management tasks. The tool implements a series of commands such as moving files, categorizing files by size, counting files, deleting files, renaming files, listing directory contents, and sorting files based on various criteria. Configuration flexibility is achieved through a JSON file, allowing users to customize parameters like threshold size and output format. The tool employs the argparse module for command-line interface support and the logging module for detailed operation logging.

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## **Procedure & Code Idea**

## Class Design

In this project we implemented our project with the following schema:

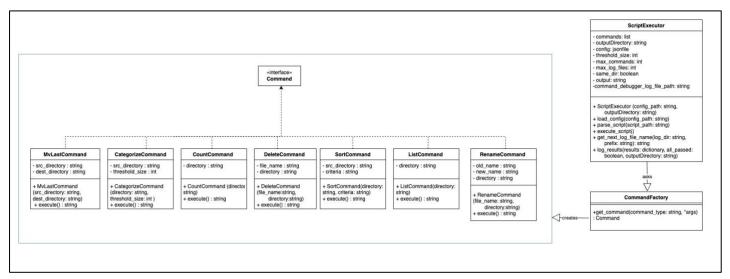


Figure 1: UML Project Diagram

To use the concept of object oriented, we first created an (**Command**) **interface class.** This interface has one main abstract method (**execute**) to be implemented by each of its subclasses. We then created 7 subclasses each implement this interface as, each subclass represent a type of command: **MvLastCommand**,

CategorizeCommand, CountCommand, DeleteCommand, SortCommand, ListCommand, RenameCommand.

To use the concept of command factory which is a creational pattern we created a (**Command Factory**) class, and we created the objects of type commands using the (get\_command) method in the factory. In Factory pattern, we create an object without exposing the creation logic and refer to newly created object using a common interface.

## Starting the program

To start our program, we used the command line, writing a command like this:

```
1python3 executorFinal.py -i script3.txt -o outputFile
```

In our main we used the argument parser to execute this as shown in (Figure 2: main codeFigure 2), we created a new argument parser and add two argument:

- (-i) argument for the input directory which is the path to the file that has the commands to be executed.
- (-o) argument, which is the name of the output file, which is the file that the log file or csv files will be added to.

After extracting arguments using the argument parser, we created an instance from the Script Executer providing it with the configuration file path (which is a Json file in our program) and also output directory.

We then called the function (parse\_script) in the Script Executer object to extract the command and finally called the (execute\_script) function to perform the commands.

Figure 2: main code

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note: it is assumed that this is run from the same directory that has the script and configuration file, that is why relative path was used (which is just the name), however it will run outside the directory, providing full-path.

# **Script Executor**

To get started with the script executer, in addition to the constructor, two main functions are used :

• (load\_config): used to set attributes(threshold\_size, max\_commands, max\_log\_files, same\_dir, output) from the provided Json file (Figure 4). The code is shown as follows (Figure 3):

Figure 3: load\_config code

Figure 4:JSON file

(parse\_script): used to parse the script and extract the commands, this
function use the command factory to generate the commands and saves them.
It starts by reading line by line, it extracts the command name, creates the
appropriate command and adds it to command list. It does that until max
commands is reached then the rest are added as unreachable lines in the list.
The code is shown in (Figure 5):

```
def parse_script(self, script_path): # Method to parse the script
   with open(script_path, 'r') as f:
   for line in lines[:self.max_commands]:
      parts = line.rstrip().split()
      cmd = parts[0] # Command name
       command = None
       if cmd == "Mv_last":
          command = CommandFactory.get_command( command_type: "Move", *args: parts[1], parts[2])
       elif cmd == "Categorize":
          command = CommandFactory.get_command( command_type: "Categorize", | *args: parts[1], self.threshold_size)
       elif cmd == "Count":
          command = CommandFactory.get_command( command_type: "Count", *args: parts[1])
       elif cmd == "Delete":
          command = CommandFactory.get_command( command_type: "Delete", *args: parts[1], parts[2])
          elif cmd == "List":
          command = CommandFactory.get_command( command_type: "List", *args: parts[1])
       elif cmd == "Sort":
          command = CommandFactory.get_command( command_type: "Sort", *args: parts[1], parts[2])
       self.commands.append(command)
   for line in lines[self.max_commands:]:
       if line.rstrip(): # check if not empty line or just (\n) character
          self.commands.append(line.rstrip())
```

Figure 5: parse\_script code

## **Setting up Logging**

To make logging easier and more coherent, we set up the logging from the start as follows:

Figure 6: logging code

We set up a default log file called (commandDebugger.log) that will register information as the program runs. If the output is decided to be log and not csv the contents of this file are used for the output log file.

### **Command Execution**

To execute the script that was parsed, we need to call the (excute\_script) function, shown in (Figure 7). The function creates a dictionary that saves each command, with its status. It traverses the command list and calls the (execute) function for each command. It also set a flag (all\_passed) to help in logging and creating the appropriate log file later. The unreachable lines are logged as unreached and are not executed therefore their status are not taken into consideration.

After this (log\_results) function is being called to create the appropriate log file.

```
def execute_script(self):
   results = {} # Dictionary to store command results
   all_passed = True # Flag to track if all commands passed
   i: int = 1
   for command in self.commands[:self.max_commands]:
       logging.info(f"Executing Command Number: {i}") # Writing Info to log file
      result, status = command.execute()
       results[result] = status # Storing result and status
       if status == "Failed":
          all_passed = False # Set all_passed to False
       logging.debug(f"{result}: {status}")
       logging.info("-----
   for unreachedLine in self.commands[self.max_commands:]:
      logging.info(f"Executing Command Number: {i}") # Writing Info to log file
       logging.debug(f"{unreachedLine}, Couldn't Execute Command, Exceeds Max Commands")
      logging.info("-----
    self.log_results(results, all_passed, self.outputDirectory)
```

Figure 7: execute\_script code

The actual command execution is implemented in the execute function that is written in each of the subclasses. The OS library was used to execute the commands. Below is a brief of how each command was executed:

#### 1) My Last Command

To move the last file, we first started by getting the list of files in the source directory, we removed any hidden files (because some errors occurred while we were testing ad there was some hidden files). Then we extracted the last file using (os.path.getctime) and moved this file to the destination file. If all good the status is passed and if any exception happens then it would return a failed as a status. Code shown below.

Figure 8: Mv\_last code

#### 2) Count Command

To count command in a specific path, we first get only the files in the directory and save them in a list and return the length of that list as the count. Code shown below.

```
8 usages (8 dynamic)
def execute(self):
    try:
        count = len([f for f in os.listdir(self.directory) if os.path.isfile(os.path.join(self.directory, f))])
        return f"Count: {count} files in {self.directory}", "Passed"
    except Exception as e:
        return f"Count: Failed with error {e}", "Failed"
```

Figure 9: Count code

#### 3) Delete Command

To delete a file, we first get the appropriate file name and then use (os.remove)to delete the file. If any exception happens then failed status is returned. Code shown below.

```
8 usages (8 dynamic)
def execute(self):
    try:
        file_path = os.path.join(self.directory, self.file_name)
        os.remove(file_path) # Removing the file
        return f"Delete: {self.file_name} deleted from {self.directory}", "Passed"
        except Exception as e:
        return f"Delete: Failed with error {e}", "Failed"
```

Figure 10: Delete code

#### 4) Categorize Command

To categorize the files we first started by creating two directories (small and large) in the provided directory if they don't already exist. We the looped over each file, got the size using (os.path.getsize()) and compared with the threshold and moved to the appropriate category. If any exception happens then failed status is returned.

```
8 usages (8 dynamic)
def execute(setf):
    try:
    small_dir = os.path.join(self.directory, "small_files") # Directory for small files
    large_dir = os.path.join(self.directory, "large_files") # Directory for large files

os.makedirs(small_dir, exist_ok=True) # Creating small files directory if not exists
    os.makedirs(large_dir, exist_ok=True) # Creating large files directory if not exists

for file in os.listdir(self.directory):
    file_path = os.path.join(self.directory, file)

# Skip hidden files like
    if file.startswith('.'):
        print(f"Skipping hidden file: {file}")
        continue

if os.path.isfile(file_path): # If it's a file
    if os.path.getsize(file_path) < self.threshold_size: # If file size is less than threshold shutil.move(file_path, small_dir)
    else:
        shutil.move(file_path, large_dir)
        return f"Categorize: Files categorized in {self.directory}", "Passed"
    except Exception as e:
    return f"Categorize: Failed with error : {e}", "Failed"</pre>
```

Figure 11: Categorize code

#### 5) List Command

The list command use (os.listdir()) to list all the files in the directory.

```
8 usages (8 dynamic)
def execute(self):
    try:
        files = os.listdir(self.directory) # Getting list of files
        return f"List: Files in {self.directory} - {files}", "Passed"
    except Exception as e:
        return f"List: Failed with error {e}", "Failed"
```

Figure 12: list code

#### 6) Sort Command

The sort of command has 3 options, sort be name, date or size. To start the sorting we first list the files using (os.listdir()) and then we sort them using sort method.

```
8 usages (8 dynamic)

def execute(self):
    try:
        files = os.listdir(self.directory)
        if self.criteria == "name":
            files.sort()  # Sort files by name
        elif self.criteria == "date":
            files.sort(key=lambda x: os.path.getctime(os.path.join(self.directory, x)))  # Sort files by date
        elif self.criteria == "size":
            files.sort(key=lambda x: os.path.getsize(os.path.join(self.directory, x)))  # Sort files by size
        else:
            return f"Sort: Unsupported criteria {self.criteria}", "Failed"
        return f"Sort: Files in {self.directory} sorted by {self.criteria}", "Passed"
        except Exception as e:
        return f"Sort: Failed with error {e}", "Failed"
```

Figure 13: Sort code

### 7) Rename Command.

The rename starts by joining the appropriate names for the old path and the new path and then uses (os.rename()) to rename the file.

```
8 usages (8 dynamic)
def execute(self):
    try:
        old_path = os.path.join(self.directory, self.old_name) # Old file path
        new_path = os.path.join(self.directory, self.new_name) # New file path
        os.rename(old_path, new_path)
        return f"Rename: {self.old_name} renamed to {self.new_name} in {self.directory}", "Passed"
        except Exception as e:
        return f"Rename: Failed with error {e}", "Failed"
```

Figure 14: rename code

## Logging results

To log results we use the function log\_results, which accepts the dictionary of the results that was created in the (excute\_script), it all accepts all\_passed flag and the output directory to write to. The file name has the following format [Prefix, number, extension]:

- The (all\_passed) will present the prefix ( the first part of the file name ).
- Using the pre-defined configuration, the path will either be the same as the output directory or a subdirectory inside it.
- The file that will be created will either have a (.csv) extension or (.log) based on the configuration. If the csv file is chosen it will write the command followed by the pass/fail. If log file it will copy contents of the main CommandDebugger.log file that was created at the start.
- The number of the file is determined by the (get\_next\_log\_file\_name) function.

```
def log_results(self, results, all_passed, outputDirectory):
       log_dir = os.path.join(outputDirectory,
                             "PassedDirectory" if all_passed else "FailedDirectory") # Log directory
      os.makedirs(log_dir, exist_ok=True) # Creating log directory if not exists
   log_file = self.get_next_log_file_name(log_dir, prefix) # Get next log file name
      with open(os.path.join(log_dir, log_file), 'w') as f:
              f.write(f"{result},{status}\n") # Writing result to csv file
      shutil.copyfile(self.command_debugger_log_file_path, os.path.join(log_dir, log_file))
   # Manage log files
   log_files = [f for f in os.listdir(log_dir) if
              os.path.isfile(os.path.join(log_dir, f)) and f.startswith(
                   prefix)] # Existing log files with the same prefix
   if len(log_files) > self.max_log_files: # If number of log files exceeds maximum
      log_files.sort(key=lambda x: int(x[len(prefix):-4]) if x[len(prefix):-4].isdigit() else float('inf'))
      excess_files = len(log_files) - self.max_log_files # Calculate the number of excess files
       for log_file in log_files[:excess_files]:
           os.remove(os.path.join(log_dir, log_file)) # Remove excess files
```

After creating the appropriate log file, we managed log files . If the number of log files that starts with the prefix is larger than max files then earlier files will be deleted. The files were sorted based on the number after the prefix and not alphabetically (it might have error if numbers go to 10).

The get\_next\_log\_file\_name, returns the file name based on the given constraints. It counts the number of files that starts with the same prefix, it sorts them based on number then it gets the last file and extracts its number. After extracting the number it returns the appropriate name.

If at any time there are no existing it return the name with number 1.

```
lusage

def get_next_log_file_name(self, log_dir, prefix):

existing_files = [f for f in os.listdir(log_dir) if

# Ensure it is a file and not a directory

os.path.isfile(os.path.join(log_dir, f)) and f.startswith(

prefix)] # Existing log files with the same prefix

if not existing_files:

return f"{prefix}1.csv" if self.output == "csv" else f"{prefix}1.log" # Return first file name

existing_files.sort(key=lambda x: int(x[len(prefix):-4]) if x[len(prefix):-4].isdigit() else float('inf'))

last_file = existing_files[-1] # Last file

last_num_str = last_file[len(prefix):-4] # Remove prefix and extension

if not last_num_str.isdigit():

return f"{prefix}1.csv" if self.output == "csv" else f"{prefix}1.log"

last_num = int(last_num_str) # Converting last number to integer

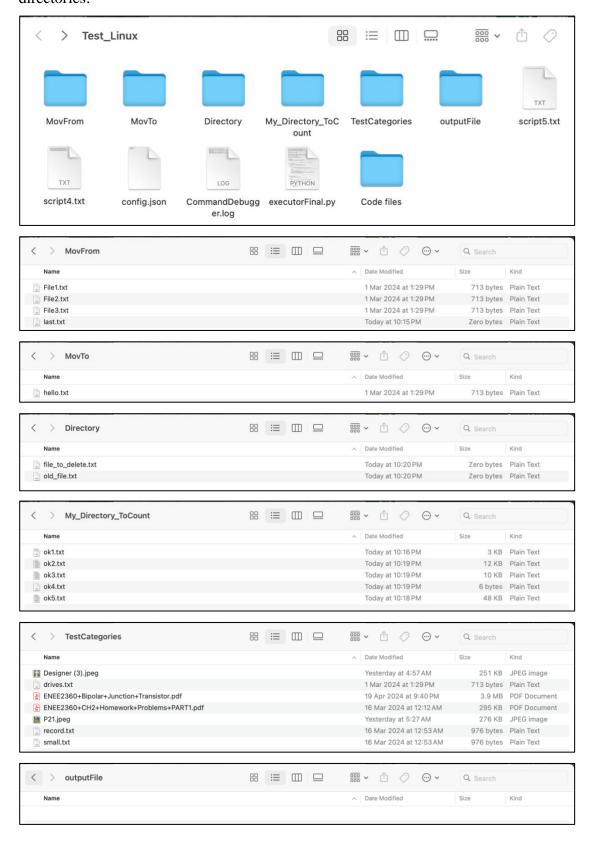
next_num = last_num + 1 # Incrementing number

return f"{prefix}{next_num}.csv" if self.output == "csv" else f"{prefix}{next_num}.log" # Return next file name
```

# Test cases and running examples

#### **Step 1: Before Running:**

For this program this is the current working directory, with a look inside the sub directories:



**Step 2 : JSON file configuration** 

For the first run we started by setting the JSON file configurations as follows:

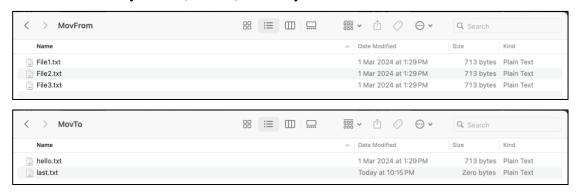
#### **Step 3: Running First Script**

The following picture shows the (script4.txt) which we want to run, at the bottoms shows the command used at the terminal and at the side shows the directory (Test Linux) right before running:



Now after running the first script we notice these changes on the sub directories of the current directory:

1) The (last.txt) file which is the last file in the (MovFrom) was moved successfully to the (MovTo) directory.



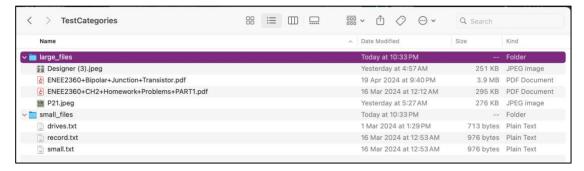
2) The (old\_file.txt) file was renamed to (new\_file.txt) in the (Directory) Folder.



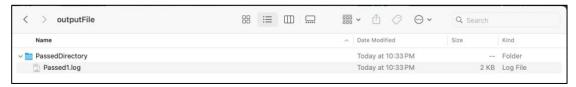
3) This directory was not sorted because max commands is 5 and sort is the 6th.



4) This Test Categories folder was successfully categorized to small and large files as follows.



5) A new (Passed1.log) file was created in a subdirectory (Passed), because configuration is (false) and type of file is log.

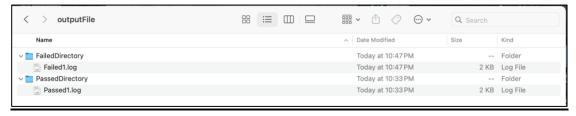


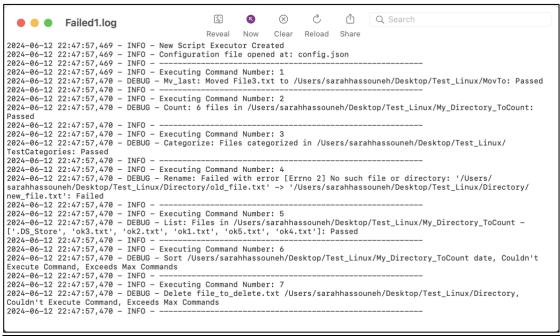
6) The contents of (Passed1.log) is shown here:.

```
Û
                                                                                      Q Search
             Passed1.log
                                              Reveal
                                                      Now
                                                              Clear
                                                                     Reload Share
INFO - Executing Command Number: 1
2024-06-12 22:33:34,484
2024-06-12 22:33:34,484 - INFO -
2024-06-12 22:33:34,484 - INFO - Executing Command Number: 3
2024-06-12 22:33:34,486 - DEBUG - Categorize: Files categorized in /Users/sarahhassouneh/Desktop/Test_Linux/
TestCategories: Passed
Z024-06-12 Z2:33:34,486 - DEBUG - SOIT /Users/sarannassounen/Desktop/Test_Linux/My_Directory_Tocount date, Coul Execute Command, Exceeds Max Commands 2024-06-12 Z2:33:34,486 - INFO - Executing Command Number: 7 2024-06-12 Z2:33:34,486 - INFO - Executing Command Number: 7 2024-06-12 Z2:33:34,486 - INFO - Executing Command Number: 7 Couldn't Execute Command, Exceeds Max Commands 2024-06-12 Z2:33:34,486 - INFO - Delete file_to_delete.txt /Users/sarahhassouneh/Desktop/Test_Linux/Directory, Couldn't Execute Command, Exceeds Max Commands
2024-06-12 22:33:34,486 - INFO
```

#### **Step 4: Running First Script Again**

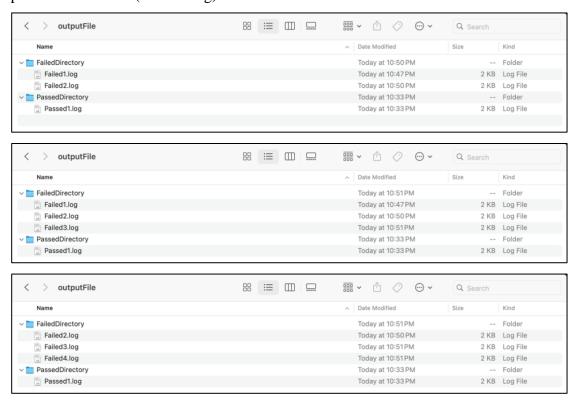
If we attempt to run the first script again it will fail(because rename will not find a file to rename), running with the same configuration will result in these main changes:





#### **Step 5 : Start decrement of files**

If we attempt to run the first script again it will fail, we can keep executing it until it exceeds max and then the earlier files will start to be deleted as follows. The last picture shows how (Failed1.log) was deleted:



**Step 3: Running Second Script** 

For the second script we changed the configuration as follows,(csv and true):

Now we want to execute this script and notice the changes:

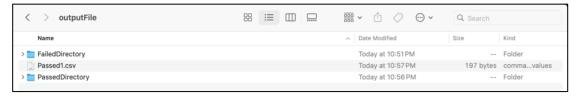
1) The (file\_to\_delete.txt) file was successfully removed in the (Directory) Folder.



The (My\_directory\_ToCount) was sorted based on size from smallest to largest.



3) A new csv file (Passed1.csv) was created in the same directory.



4) The contents of (Passed1.csv) is shown here: