

**BILT:** Session 1.2

# LAB: TAKE CONTROL OVER REVIT BY CREATING TOOLS WITH PYREVIT

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## Class Description

This presentation will run you through the process and the tools for you to create a custom toolbar with a set of custom tools thanks to pyRevit, some python coding or a dynamo script. The idea is to empower advanced users of Revit and help them structure a toolbox to improve their productivity and get rid of the repetitive or tedious tasks.

- First part will cover the structure of pyRevit Framework, its capabilities, and its set of tools
- Second part will be about creating a simple toolbar
- Third part about the creation of a few scripts to populate our toolbar
- Finally, to show a way to distribute the toolbar across an organization

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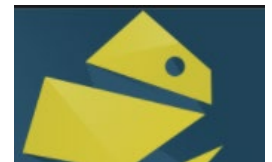
## 00\_Prerequisites

### Yourself 🧠

- Good mood
- 1 bit of knowledge of python or another programming language, basics like date types, ...
- 1 bit of knowledge of Dynamo for Revit or the [Revit API](#) (or just understanding of what is an API 😊) going through this 📌 would be an excellent start  
<https://dynamopythonprimer.gitbook.io/dynamo-python-primer/4-revit-specific-topics/introduction-to-revits-api>

### Basics

- at least one Revit version installed (2020-2022 will be fine)  
<https://www.autodesk.com/products/revit/free-trial>
- pyRevit installed  
<https://github.com/eirannejad/pyRevit/releases>



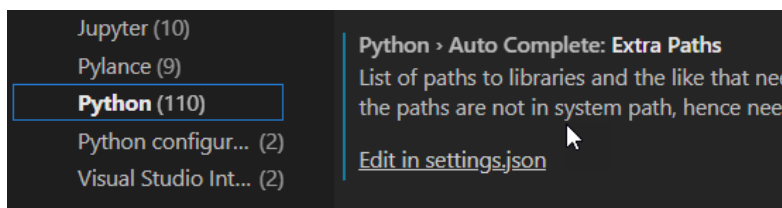
### Not Necessarily Basic

- Github desktop installed  
<https://desktop.github.com>
  - VSCode or pyCharm (or notepad++ if you like pain)  
<https://code.visualstudio.com/download>
  - Extensions to Vscod (CTRL+Shift+X in VSCode)
    - python
    - Github Pull requests
    - docs-yaml
    - yaml
    - prettier
  - ⚠ a bit trickier **VSCode settings**:
    - add it to python autocomplete extrapaths in vscode settings  
Adding stubs file will allow you to use the auto-complete feature of VSCode with the Revit API and pyRevit references
1. Download stubs files from (and unzip):
    - a. <https://github.com/gtalarico/ironpython-stubs/archive/master.zip>  
or from
    - b. <https://github.com/BIMOpenGroup/RevitAPIStubs/releases/download/v1.0.0/stubs.rar>
  2. File > Preferences > Settings > Python > auto-complete > ExtraPaths > Settings.json
  3. Add stubs file path to the extraPaths section of the settings.json
    - Beware of the file path format with the double \

Mine looks like this:

```
{  
  "python.analysis.extraPaths": [  
    "C:\\\\Gits\\\\RevitAPIStubs\\\\stubs\\\\common",  
    "C:\\\\Gits\\\\RevitAPIStubs\\\\stubs\\\\revit\\\\2022",  
    "C:\\\\Users\\\\Jean-Marc\\\\AppData\\\\Roaming\\\\pyRevit-Master\\\\pyrevitlib"  
  ],  
  "python.autoComplete.extraPaths": [  
    "C:\\\\pyRevit\\\\stubs\\\\revit\\\\2023",  
    "C:\\\\pyRevit\\\\stubs\\\\common",  
    "C:\\\\Users\\\\Jean-Marc\\\\AppData\\\\Roaming\\\\pyRevit-Master\\\\pyrevitlib\\\\pyrevit",  
  ]  
}
```

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Complete explanation and links:

<https://discourse.pyrevitlabs.io/t/vscode-for-pyrevit-and-revit-api/413/5> or  
<https://forum.dynamobim.com/t/intellisense-step-by-step-configuration-on-visual-studio-code/27085/2?u=jean-marc> or <https://sumptuous-rhubarb-de0.notion.site/LAB-TAKE-CONTROL-OVER-REVIT-BY-CREATING-TOOLS-WITH-PYREVIT-705cd44ad90e46fa8011fe4047637ad8>

## Account

a Github account

<https://github.com/signup>

## Tool to investigate the Revit Document

⚠ Version specific

Revit Lookup Tool

[Releases · jeremytammik/RevitLookup](#)

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**ALL THE CODE WILL BE AVAILABLE HERE**

[https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT\\_NA\\_2022](https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022)

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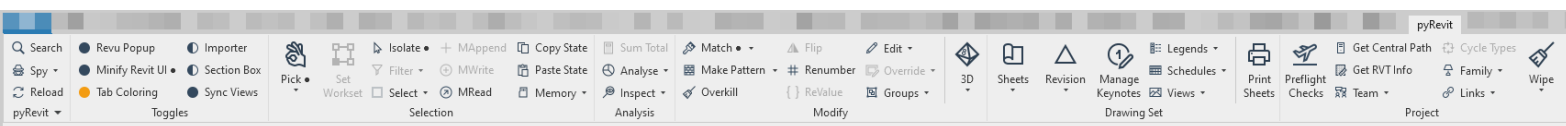
## 01\_Getting to know the pyRevit Framework

### pyRevit is a framework

*pyRevit (with lowercase py) is a Rapid Application Prototyping (RAD) environment for Autodesk Revit. It helps you quickly sketch out your automation and add-on ideas, in whichever language that you are most comfortable with, inside the Revit environment and using its APIs. It also ships with an extensive set of powerful tools that showcase its capabilities as a development environment. Download and install pyRevit, launch Revit, and note the new **pyRevit** tab that includes these tools. pyRevit also ships with a handy CLI utility for customized configuration and deployment of your tools, and a telemetry server to monitor pyRevit usage across your teams.*

**That means it is not only a set of tools to do stuffs in  
Revit but also to build your own tools**

### pyRevit is a set of (growing) tools



# pyRevit has a daddy



<https://ein.sh/>

*and lots of geeky heirs...*

# pyRevit is a community

*with lots of people trying to go further than Revit*

321 users

<https://discourse.pyrevitlabs.io/>

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## pyRevit relies on the RevitAPI

The original content for the RevitAPI is here:

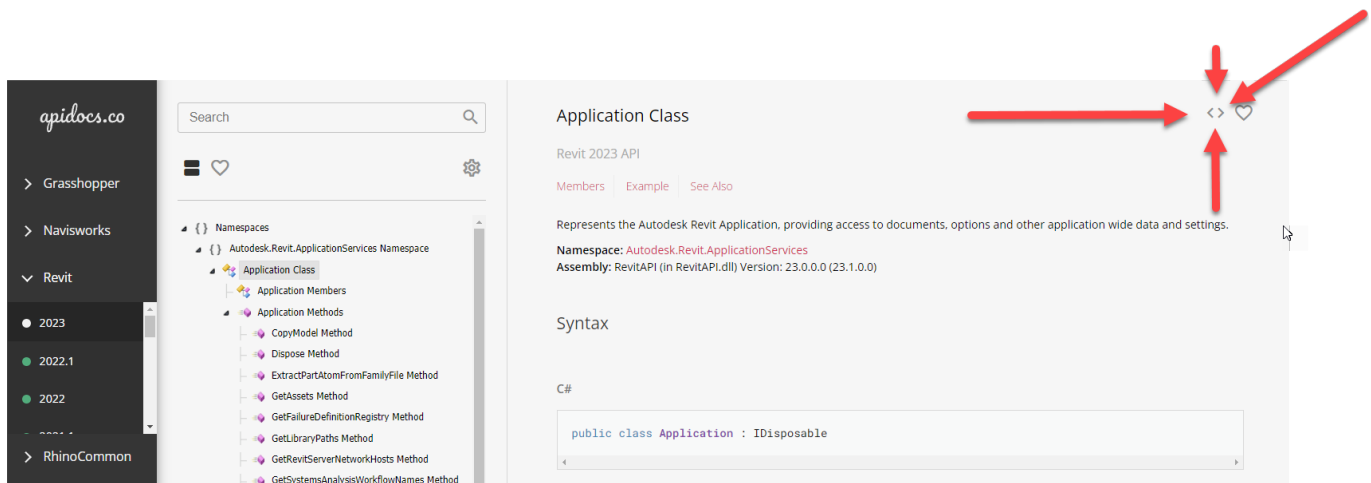
<https://www.autodesk.com/developer-network/platform-technologies/revit>

But a better way to navigate it is happening here:

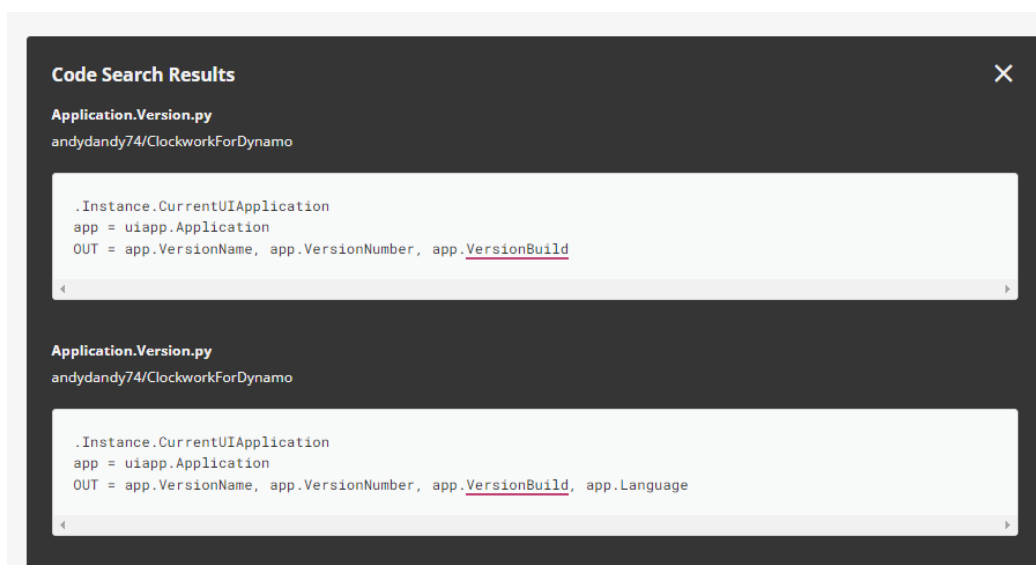
<https://apidocs.co/>

Thanks to <https://gtalarico.com/>

So if you want to know how to use the Revit API, this is the one stop with a special trick:

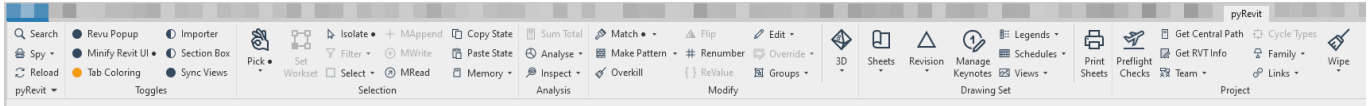


*This button gives you access to samples of code, while not perfect as it is using a basic search method from the github API, it does provide you with samples in C# or Python to illustrate how to use a specific Revit API Method*



## pyRevit provides you with tools

### Set of tools



*Check out the preflight checks -> model checker*

### CLI

Command Line Tool with the **pyrevit** handle

```
C:\Users\Jean-Marc>pyrevit --help
Usage: pyrevit COMMAND [OPTIONS]

pyRevit environment and clones manager

Options:
  -h --help            Show this help
  -V --version          Show version
  --usage              Print all usage patterns
  --verbose            Print info messages
  --debug              Print docopt options and logger debug messages
  --log=<log_file>     Output log messages to external log file

Management Commands:
  env                  Print environment information
  update              Update remote resources used by this utility
  clones              Manage pyRevit clones
  extensions          Manage pyRevit extensions
  attached            Manage pyRevit attachments to installed Revit
  releases            Info about pyRevit releases
  revits              Manage installed Revits
  caches              Manage pyRevit caches
  configs             Manage pyRevit configurations

Commands:
  clone               Create a clone of pyRevit on this machine
  extend              Create a clone of a third-party pyRevit extension on this machine
  attach              Attach pyRevit clone to installed Revit
  switch              Switch active pyRevit clone
  detach              Detach pyRevit clone from installed Revit
  config              Configure pyRevit for current user
  run                 Run python script in Revit
  doctor              Fix potential or real problems

Help Commands:
  wiki                Open pyRevit Wiki
  blog                Open pyRevit blog
  docs                Open pyRevit docs
  source              Open pyRevit source repo
  youtube             Open pyRevit on YouTube
  support             Open pyRevit support page

Run 'pyrevit COMMAND --help' for more information on a command.

C:\Users\Jean-Marc>
```

### Documentation to give you the basics and more

Here: <https://www.notion.so/pyrevitlabs/pyRevit-bd907d6292ed4ce997c46e84b6ef67a0>

### Python Modules to interact with Revit

<https://pyrevit.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>



## 02\_Setting up a pyRevit Extension the easy way



*Revit should be closed (not entirely true 😊)*

### -01\_NOOB\_Install the finished toolbar

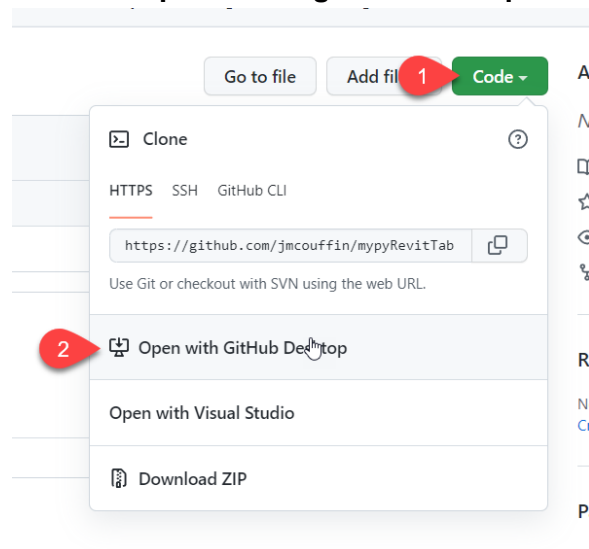
- in command line (WIN + cmd), we will install our toolbar

```
pyrevit extend ui pyBiltNA https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022.git --  
dest="C:\pyRevit"
```

### 00\_Advanced\_Create a github repository (gitignore, licence, readme, ...)

*main → master in github*

and open it with github desktop



Then 'show in explorer'

*Note that we could also do that from the github website*

## 01\_ *Advanced*\_A minimal set of files and folders:

- File **extension.yaml**

```
type: extension
rocket_mode_compatible: true
name: pyBiltNA # a name for your pyrevit extension
description: pyRevit tools creation workshop # a description of what it is
author: Jean-Marc Couffin # your name
author_profile: https://linkedin.com/in/jmcouffin # [optional] a link to your profile
url: https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022.git # the link to your
extension's repository on github
website: http://eirannejad.github.io/pyRevit/ # [optional] a link to your website
image: https://ein.sh/pyRevit/pyRevitLogo.svg # [optional] a picture
```

- a folder structure:

 BILT.tab/ BILTpanel.panel/ Hello.pushbutton

**.tab** will identify the toolbar in Revit  
**.panel** will help you group your buttons in sets  
**.pushbutton** is your first button in your toolbar

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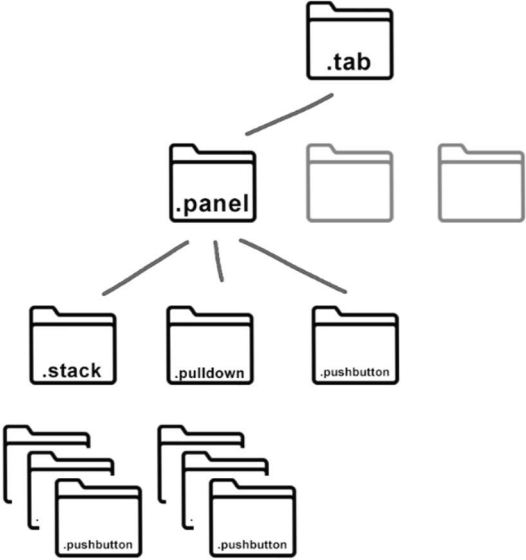
*The structure of your toolbar is aligned with your folder structure.*

*Each folder extension in the form of **.variable** will be used to create: tabs, panels, pulldown, stacks, and so on.*

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BILT.tab > BILTpanel.panel > Hello World.pushbutton

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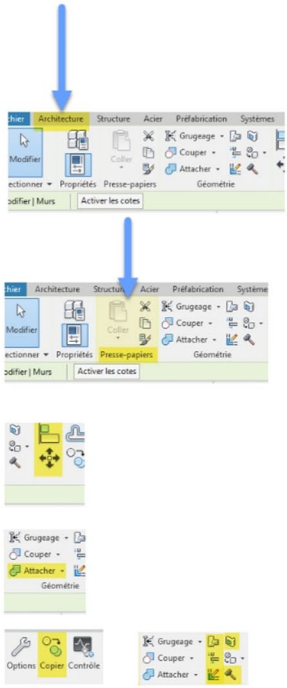
**.tab**

**.panel**

**.stack**

**.pulldown**

**.pushbutton**








## 02\_ *Advanced* \_And a file:

*script.py*

with the following content:

```
print ('Hello World hello le monde')
```

	jmcouffin	
	BILT.tab/BILTpanel.panel/Hello World....	myfirstbutton
	LICENSE	Initial commit
	README.md	Initial commit
	extension.yaml	push

master ▾ pyRevit-BILT\_NA\_2022 / BILT.tab / BILTpanel.panel / Hello World.pushbutton / script.py /



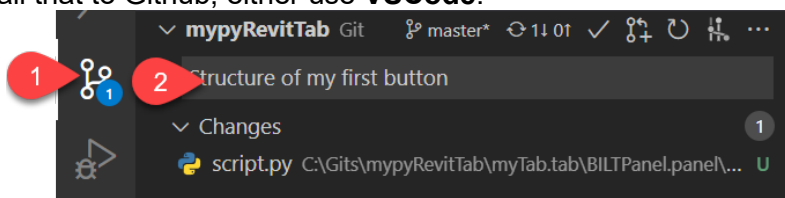
jmcouffin myfirstbutton

1 contributor

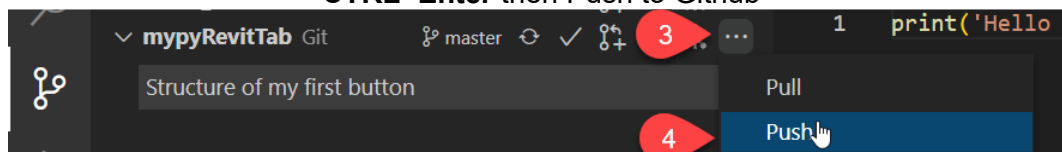
1 lines (1 sloc) | 21 Bytes

```
1 print ('Hello World')
```

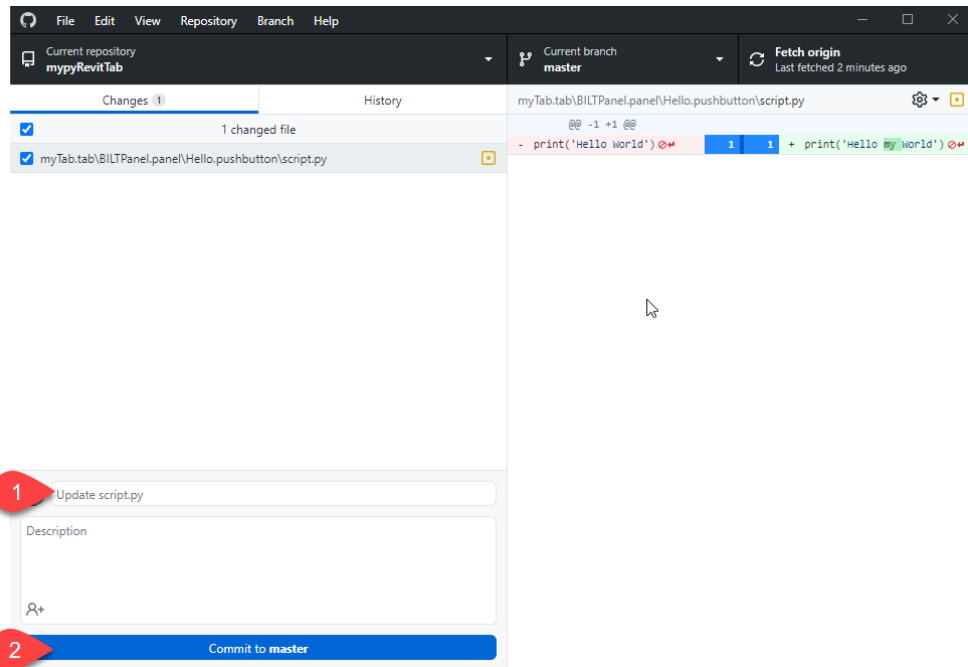
To commit and push all that to Github, either use **VSCode**:



**CTRL+Enter** then Push to Github



Or **Github Desktop**:



Then **CTRL+P** to push to github

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*Okay we have potentially a toolbar setup and a first button on github, where do we go from there?*

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## 03\_ Advanced Installation of the toolbar

*We want to link the github repository to pyRevit. The command line will help us do it*

- in command line (WIN + cmd), we will install our toolbar

```
pyrevit extend ui pyBiltNA https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022.git --dest="C:\pyRevit"
```

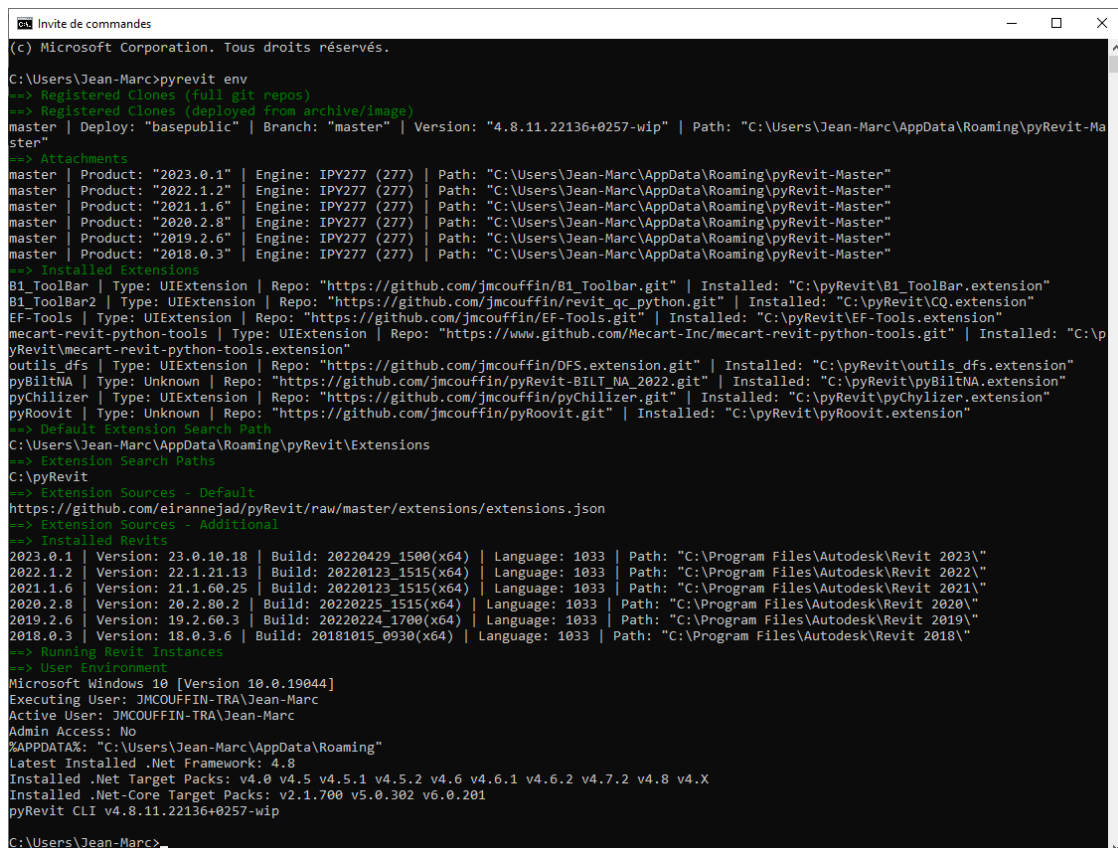
*we want to install it to a different folder than the one we worked on previously as the pyRevit Command Line (CLI) will create an .extension folder to make things happen between pyRevit and Revit*

*the pyrevit command is extremely powerful, try 'pyrevit --help' to see the possibilities*

- let's control everything went as planned, in the command line:

```
pyrevit env
```

it should list you: pyRevit clones, installs, extensions, and Revit installs as well



```
Invite de commandes
(c) Microsoft Corporation. Tous droits réservés.

C:\Users\Jean-Marc>pyrevit env
=> Registered Clones (full git repos)
=> Registered Clones (deployed from archive/image)
master | Deploy: "basepublic" | Branch: "master" | Version: "4.8.11.22136+0257-wip" | Path: "C:\Users\Jean-Marc\AppData\Roaming\pyRevit-Master"
=> Attachments
master | Product: "2023.0.1" | Engine: IPY277 (277) | Path: "C:\Users\Jean-Marc\AppData\Roaming\pyRevit-Master"
master | Product: "2022.1.2" | Engine: IPY277 (277) | Path: "C:\Users\Jean-Marc\AppData\Roaming\pyRevit-Master"
master | Product: "2021.1.6" | Engine: IPY277 (277) | Path: "C:\Users\Jean-Marc\AppData\Roaming\pyRevit-Master"
master | Product: "2020.2.8" | Engine: IPY277 (277) | Path: "C:\Users\Jean-Marc\AppData\Roaming\pyRevit-Master"
master | Product: "2019.2.6" | Engine: IPY277 (277) | Path: "C:\Users\Jean-Marc\AppData\Roaming\pyRevit-Master"
master | Product: "2018.0.3" | Engine: IPY277 (277) | Path: "C:\Users\Jean-Marc\AppData\Roaming\pyRevit-Master"
=> Installed Extensions
B1_ToolBar | Type: UIExtension | Repo: "https://github.com/jmcouffin/B1_Toolbar.git" | Installed: "C:\pyRevit\B1_ToolBar.extension"
B1_ToolBar2 | Type: UIExtension | Repo: "https://github.com/jmcouffin/revit_gc_python.git" | Installed: "C:\pyRevit\B1_ToolBar2.extension"
EF-Tools | Type: UIExtension | Repo: "https://github.com/jmcouffin/EF-Tools.git" | Installed: "C:\pyRevit\EF-Tools.extension"
mecart-revit-python-tools | Type: UIExtension | Repo: "https://www.github.com/Mecart-Inc/mecart-revit-python-tools.git" | Installed: "C:\pyRevit\mecart-revit-python-tools.extension"
outils_dfs | Type: UIExtension | Repo: "https://github.com/jmcouffin/DFS.extension.git" | Installed: "C:\pyRevit\outils_dfs.extension"
pyBiltNA | Type: Unknown | Repo: "https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022.git" | Installed: "C:\pyRevit\pyBiltNA.extension"
pyChillizer | Type: UIExtension | Repo: "https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyChillizer.git" | Installed: "C:\pyRevit\pyChillizer.extension"
pyRoovit | Type: Unknown | Repo: "https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRoovit.git" | Installed: "C:\pyRevit\pyRoovit.extension"
=> Default Extension Search Path
C:\Users\Jean-Marc\AppData\Roaming\pyRevit\Extensions
=> Extension Search Paths
C:\pyRevit
=> Extension Sources - Default
https://github.com/eirannejad/pyRevit/raw/master/extensions/extensions.json
=> Extension Sources - Additional
=> Installed Revits
2023.0.1 | Version: 23.0.10.18 | Build: 20220429_1500(x64) | Language: 1033 | Path: "C:\Program Files\Autodesk\Revit 2023\"
2022.1.2 | Version: 22.1.21.13 | Build: 20220123_1515(x64) | Language: 1033 | Path: "C:\Program Files\Autodesk\Revit 2022\"
2021.1.6 | Version: 21.1.60.25 | Build: 20220123_1515(x64) | Language: 1033 | Path: "C:\Program Files\Autodesk\Revit 2021\"
2020.2.8 | Version: 20.2.80.2 | Build: 20220225_1515(x64) | Language: 1033 | Path: "C:\Program Files\Autodesk\Revit 2020\"
2019.2.6 | Version: 19.2.60.3 | Build: 20220224_1700(x64) | Language: 1033 | Path: "C:\Program Files\Autodesk\Revit 2019\"
2018.0.3 | Version: 18.0.3.6 | Build: 20181015_0930(x64) | Language: 1033 | Path: "C:\Program Files\Autodesk\Revit 2018\"
=> Running Revit Instances
=> User Environment
Microsoft Windows 10 [Version 10.0.19044]
Executing User: JMCOUFFIN-TRA\Jean-Marc
Active User: JMCOUFFIN-TRA\Jean-Marc
Admin Access: No
%APPDATA%: "C:\Users\Jean-Marc\AppData\Roaming"
Latest Installed .Net Framework: 4.8
Installed .Net Target Packs: v4.0 v4.5 v4.5.1 v4.5.2 v4.6 v4.6.1 v4.6.2 v4.7.2 v4.8 v4.X
Installed .Net-Core Target Packs: v2.1.700 v5.0.302 v6.0.201
pyRevit CLI v4.8.11.22136+0257-wip

C:\Users\Jean-Marc>
```

## 04\_Everyone\_Update Tools

### Update

A way to update an extension is to use the following command line:

```
pyrevit extensions update pyBiltNA
```

In the form of a python script

```
# -*- coding: UTF-8 -*-  
  
import os  
os.system('cmd /c "pyrevit extensions update  
pyBiltNA"')
```

## Reload

If you just changed the code, you don't need to refresh the UI

But if you changed the UI, pyRevit has a definition for that:

```
sessioninfo.get_session_uuid()
```

Directly from pyRevit Core tools:

<https://github.com/eirannejad/pyRevit/blob/master/extensions/pyRevitCore.extension/pyRevit.tab/pyRevit.panel/tools.stack/Reload.pushbutton/script.py>

```
"""Reload pyRevit into new session."""
# -*- coding=utf-8 -*-
#pylint: disable=import-error,invalid-name,broad-except
from pyrevit import import EXEC_PARAMS
from pyrevit import import script
from pyrevit import import forms
from pyrevit.loader import import sessionmgr
from pyrevit.loader import import sessioninfo

res = True
if EXEC_PARAMS.executed_from_ui:
    res = forms.alert('Reloading increases the memory footprint and is '
        'automatically called by pyRevit when necessary.\n\n'
        'pyRevit developers can manually reload when:\n'
        '    - New buttons are added.\n'
        '    - Buttons have been removed.\n'
        '    - Button icons have changed.\n'
        '    - Base C# code has changed.\n'
        '    - Value of pyRevit parameters\n'
        '      (e.g. __title__, __doc__, ...) have changed.\n'
        '    - Cached engines need to be cleared.\n\n'
        'Are you sure you want to reload?',
        ok=False, yes=True, no=True)

if res:
    logger = script.get_logger()
    results = script.get_results()

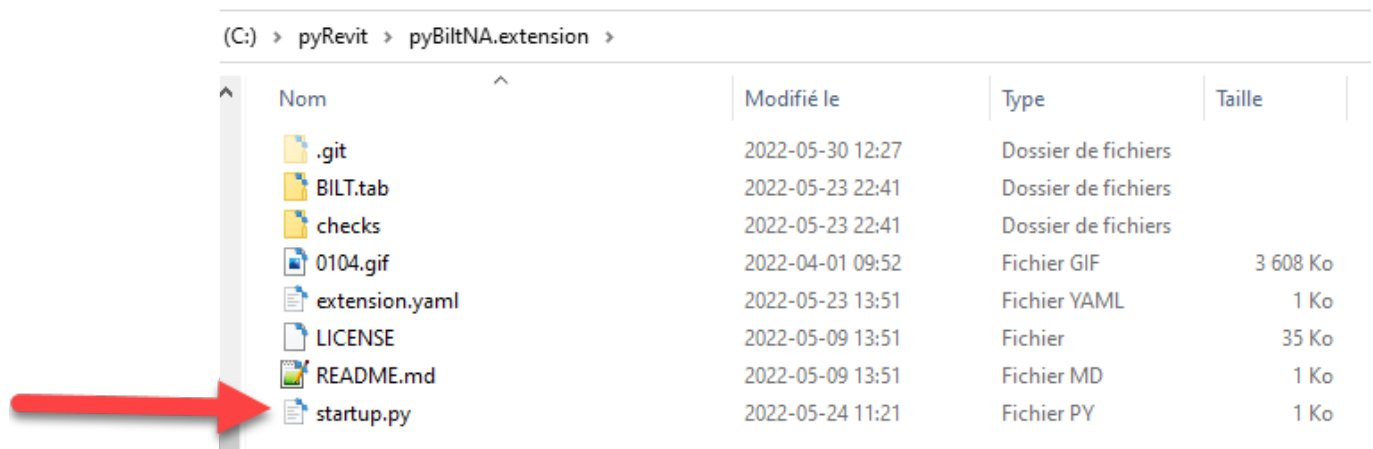
    # re-load pyrevit session.
    logger.info('Reloading...')
    sessionmgr.reload_pyrevit()

    results.newsession = sessioninfo.get_session_uuid()
```



## 05\_Everyone\_startup.py

Do stuffs at Revit startup:



Nom	Modifié le	Type	Taille
.git	2022-05-30 12:27	Dossier de fichiers	
BILT.tab	2022-05-23 22:41	Dossier de fichiers	
checks	2022-05-23 22:41	Dossier de fichiers	
0104.gif	2022-04-01 09:52	Fichier GIF	3 608 Ko
extension.yaml	2022-05-23 13:51	Fichier YAML	1 Ko
LICENSE	2022-05-09 13:51	Fichier	35 Ko
README.md	2022-05-09 13:51	Fichier MD	1 Ko
startup.py	2022-05-24 11:21	Fichier PY	1 Ko

- Update your toolbar with:

```
# -*- coding: UTF-8 -*-  
  
# auto update at startup  
import os  
os.system('cmd /c "pyrevit extensions update  
pyBiltNA"')
```

- From there you could
  - Display a company message,
  - new tools information,
  - or good practices, ...

## 03\_Building some more tools

### -02\_Everyone\_pyRevit modules

```
from pyrevit import ...
```

pyRevit comes with a set of modules that help you deal with Revit stubbornness; the documentation can be found here: <https://pyrevit.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>

The code itself is heavily commented > easy to read and understand

<https://github.com/eirannejad/pyRevit/tree/master/pyrevitlib>

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## -01\_ *Everyone* Staples

- **Icon** file should be .png with a size of 96 x 96 pixels  
<https://icons8.com/icons/set/pyrevit> is a good source for icons and let's you combine, recolor them at will
- [bundle.yaml](#) file will help us personalize the user experience, it works for all types of button:

```
# from the pyRevit documentation
# bundle title
title: "Make\nPattern"

# title can also be in various locales
# pyRevit pulls the correct name based on Revit language
title:
  en_us: Test Bundle (Custom Title)
  chinese_s: 测试包

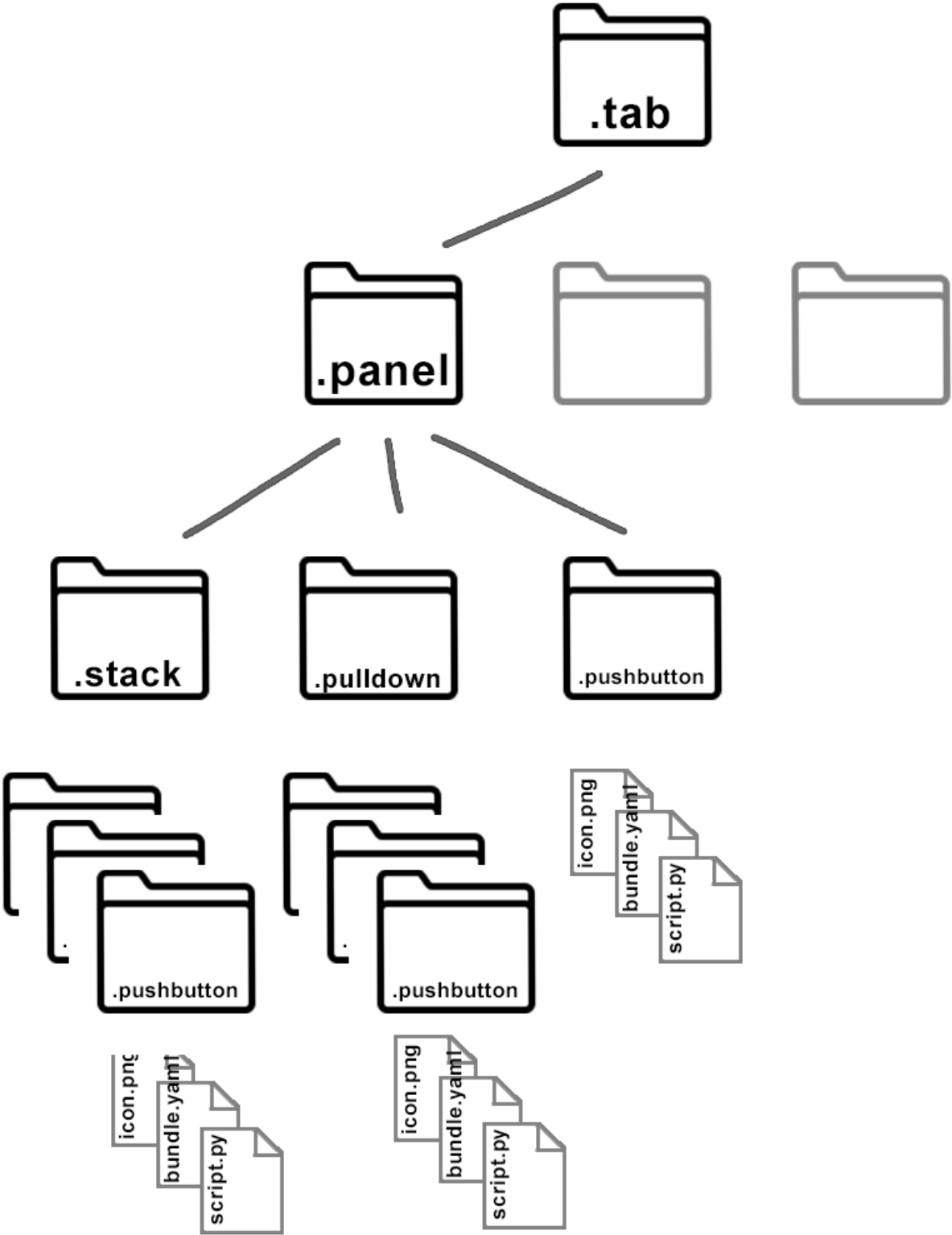
# bundle tooltip
tooltip: Create new patterns in Revit
# tooltip can also be in various locales
# pyRevit pulls the correct tooltip based on Revit language
tooltip:
  en_us: Create new patterns in Revit
  chinese_s: 创建新模式

# bundle highlighting ('new' or 'updated')
# Revit UI will show a orange marker on the button and a border
around the tooltip
highlight: new      # highlight as new
highlight: updated  # highlight as updated

# bundle help url
help_url:
  "https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H7b8hjHbauE&t=8s&list=PLc_1PNcpnV
57FWI6G8Cd09umHpSOzvamf"
# help url can also be in various locales
# pyRevit pulls the correct help url based on Revit language
help_url:
  en_us:
    "https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H7b8hjHbauE&t=8s&list=PLc_1PNcpnV
57FWI6G8Cd09umHpSOzvamf"
  chinese_s:
    "https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H7b8hjHbauE&t=8s&list=PLc_1PNcpnV
57FWI6G8Cd09umHpSOzvamf"

# bundle author
author: Ehsan Iran-Nejad

# bundle author can also be a list of authors
authors:
  - John Doe
  - Ehsan Iran-Nejad
```



## 00\_Everyone\_.urlbutton

**Recipe: folder ending with .urlbutton containing Icon.png + bundle.yaml > "hyperlink: "**

*We will create a button that opens the internet browser to a specific URL*

- Bundle file with the key "hyperlink: " is the necessary syntax required by pyRevit to let you click on the button to go to this specific address.

```
hyperlink: https://theoatmeal.com/comics/working_home
```

## 01\_ Everyone\_.pushbutton

**Recipe: folder ending with .pushbutton containing Icon.png + bundle.yaml + \*script.py**

*We will create a button that Displays some text, a picture and also the revit build*

- \*script.py is a python file containing a command that can be directly related to Revit thanks to the Revit API (or) the pyrevit modules

```
from pyrevit import script
from pyrevit import revit

# grab existing windows
output = script.get_output()
# close them
output.close_others()
# center the new window
output.center()

# print a picture in a window
output.print_md('# No Revit was hurt in the
process!')
output.print_image("C:\pyRevit\pyBiltNA.extension\B
ILT.tab\Types of buttons.panel\01_Push
Button.pushbutton\meme.jpg")

# let's do something with revit at the Application
Level
output.print_md('You are using the following revit
build {}'.format(revit.HOST_APP.build))

# automatically close the window
output.self_destruct(15)
```

If you need the picture file: [https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT\\_NA\\_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/01\\_Push%20Button.pushbutton/me.me.jpg](https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/01_Push%20Button.pushbutton/me.me.jpg)

For more information: <https://www.notion.so/pyRevit-Bundles-12323e3090904d9aa7cdc3d82095d3e3#32c67ca843c84d0684ea7f7e876b9737>

## 02\_ *Everyone\_.pushbutton* Dynamo flavored

**Recipe: folder ending with .pushbutton containing Icon.png + bundle.yaml (clean engine) + \*script.dyn**

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The purpose of the lab is not to create a dynamo file, so let's just grab this one [https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT\\_NA\\_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/02\\_Push%20Button%20DYN.pushbutton/script.dyn](https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/02_Push%20Button%20DYN.pushbutton/script.dyn)

*This dynamo scripts let's you untick specific sections of view templates*

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Two items are of importance:

1. The .dyn file should be set to automatic:
  - a. To do so, open it with a text editor
  - b. CTRL+F search for "RunType"
  - c. Type "Automatic" instead of "Manual"

**"RunType": "Automatic",**

2. The **bundle.yaml** file for this button should contain the key "engine" and subkey "clean" set to true if you want to restart the dynamo engine in the background for each run of the script. It will take longer to run but might be necessary depending on your dynamo script (the ones with a UI in particular).

```
engine:  
  clean: true
```

For more info: <https://www.notion.so/pyRevit-Bundles-12323e3090904d9aa7cdc3d82095d3e3#193440cef00048e7a62f4c541e3c83e7>

## 03\_ *Advanced\_.content*

**Recipe: folder ending with .content containing Icon.png + \*.content.rfa + \*other.rfa + bundle.yaml**

*We will create a button that lets us load two families*

- This one allows you to load two types of Revit family
  - The first one needs to be named **\*.content.rfa**, and will be accessible clicking the button, you could use this one [https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT\\_NA\\_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/03\\_Content%20Button.content/AT-AT\\_16488\\_content.rfa](https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/03_Content%20Button.content/AT-AT_16488_content.rfa)
  - The second one **\*other.rfa**, and will be accessible by shift clicking the button, you could use this one [https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT\\_NA\\_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/03\\_Content%20Button.content/Star\\_Wars\\_R2D2\\_4123\\_other.rfa](https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/03_Content%20Button.content/Star_Wars_R2D2_4123_other.rfa)



## 04\_ Advanced\_.nobutton

**Recipe: folder ending with .nobutton containing Icon.png + bundle.yaml + \*script.py**

*We will create a button to de-activate the analytical model for structural elements*

- The script uncommented version:

```
from pyrevit import script, revit, DB, forms

output = script.get_output()
doc = revit.doc

param = DB.BuiltInParameter.STRUCTURAL_ANALYTICAL_MODEL
provider = DB.ParameterValueProvider( DB.ElementId(
param ) )
evaluator = DB.FilterNumericEquals()
rule = DB.FilterIntegerRule( provider, evaluator, 1 )
filter = DB.ElementParameterFilter( rule )

analyticalCollector = DB.FilteredElementCollector( doc
).WherePasses( filter ).ToElements()

processed_list = 0

with revit.Transaction('Set Analytical Model'):
    for i in analyticalCollector:
        object_param_AnalyticalModel =
i.get_Parameter(DB.BuiltInParameter.STRUCTURAL_ANALYTICA
L_MODEL)
        new_value = False
        try:
            object_param_AnalyticalModel.Set(new_value)
            processed_list += 1
        except:
            pass

output.close_others(all_open_outputs=True)

msg = str(processed_list) + ' processed elements'
forms.alert(msg, title='Turn of analytical model
property', ok=True)
```

The commented version can be found here: [https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT\\_NA\\_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/04\\_No%20Button.nobutton/script.py](https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022/blob/master/BILT.tab/Types%20of%20buttons.panel/04_No%20Button.nobutton/script.py)

- The bundle file will have the following information:

```
title:
  fr_fr: Modèle Analytique OFF
  en_us: OFF Analytical model
tooltip:
  fr_fr: Permet de désactiver tous les éléments ayant
le modèle analytique coché
  en_us: De-activates analytical model on structural
elements
```

## 05\_ *Advanced*\_.pushbutton with configuration



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The black dot is for SHIFT+Click

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**Recipe: folder ending with .pushbutton containing Icon.png + bundle.yaml + \*script.py + config.py**

*We will create a button that grabs a series of information from the current Revit file based on a configuration specified separately*

- Config file named config.py will be run if the button is pressed with the SHIFT key

```
from pyrevit import script, forms
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
my_config = script.get_config()

def get_control_points():
    # grab token
    list_checks = ["Project Name", "Project
Number", "Warnings"]
    form = forms.SelectFromList.show(list_checks,
"Checks", 300, 500, multiselect=True,
infopanel=True)
    if form:
        setattr(my_config, "BILT_tests", form)
        script.save_config()
    else:
        setattr(my_config,
"BILT_tests", list_checks)
        script.save_config()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    get_control_points()
```

- The script file, taking advantage of the configuration:

```
# -*- coding: UTF-8 -*-

import datetime
from pyrevit import script
from pyrevit import revit, DB

output = script.get_output()
output.close_others(True)
output.center()
output.set_title('Models Checker')

doc = revit.doc

# Grab data from config
my_config = script.get_config()
tests = getattr(my_config, "BILT_tests")

# Series of queries

def project_number(doc):
    project_number = doc.ProjectInformation.Number
    return project_number

def project_name(doc):
    project_name = doc.ProjectInformation.Name
    return project_name

def doc_warnings(doc):
    warnings = doc.GetWarnings()
    descriptions = []
    for warning in warnings:
        descriptions.append(DB.FailureMessage.GetDescriptionText(warning))
    if len(descriptions):
        return str(len(descriptions)) + ' Warnings in the project'

# set minimal value to empty string
pname, pnumber, warnings = "", "", ""

# check if queries requested in config file
if tests == [] or tests == None:
    pname = project_name(doc)
    pnumber = project_number(doc)
    warnings = doc_warnings(doc)
if "Project Name" in tests:
    pname = project_name(doc)
if "Project Number" in tests:
    pnumber = project_number(doc)
if "Warnings" in tests:
    warnings = doc_warnings(doc)

# print the whole thing
output.print_md(pname + "\n\n" + pnumber + "\n\n" + warnings)
```

## 04\_ *Advanced*\_Distribute to the team

### Install pyRevit, pyRevit CLI and the toolbar in one go

Powershell file **install\_pyrevit.ps1**

```
#Declaring Path
#-----
$basefilePath = "C:\pyRevit"
#Where pyRevit Installer are located
$pyRevit = $basefilePath + "\pyRevit_4.8.10.22040_signed.exe"
$pyRevitCLI = $basefilePath + "\pyRevit_CLI_4.8.10.22040_signed.exe"

#Installing pyRevit or pyRevit CLI
#-----
Start-Process -Wait -FilePath $pyRevit -arg "/qn" -PassThru
Write-Host "pyRevit Installed"

Start-Process -Wait -FilePath $pyRevitCLI -arg "/qn" -PassThru
Write-Host "pyRevit CLI Installed"

#Extend pyRevit
#-----
pyrevit extend ui pyBiltNA https://github.com/jmcouffin/pyRevit-BILT_NA_2022.git --
dest="C:\pyRevit"
```

+ a **install\_pyrevit.bat** file

```
powershell -ExecutionPolicy Bypass -File "%~dp0\install_pyrevit.ps1"
```

a more complete approach <https://www.notion.so/pyRevit-For-Teams-ddc6c312d6f6488691eed2ec7704fd97>

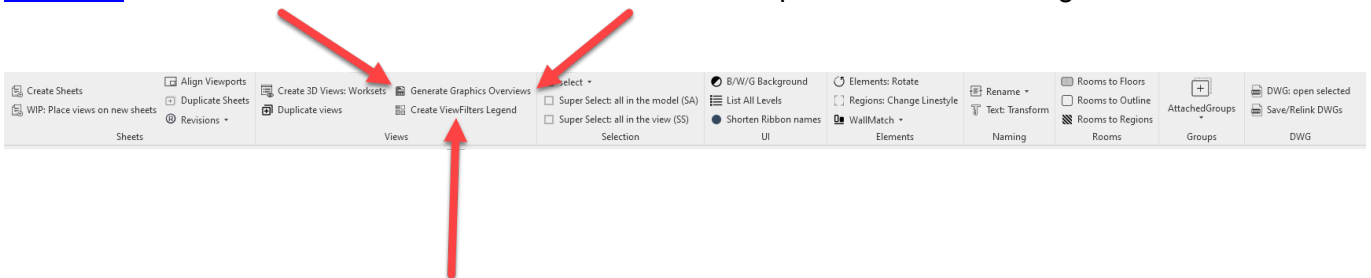
## outro

All the code of pyRevit is open source and many extensions exist, so be curious, explore and don't forget:

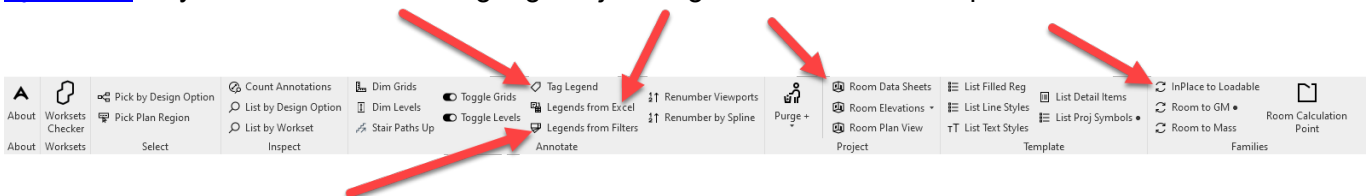
**ALT+Click** will open the folder containing the code of the button clicked

Cool extensions to look at:

[EF-Tools](#) and Erik does badass tutorials. The Generate Graphics Overrides is Huge...



[pyChilizer](#) Deyan and Daria are doing a great job. Legend from Filters... Inplace to Loadable!!!



And these ones in the extensions menu of pyRevit:

Name	Type	Author	Built-in	Rocket-Mode	Installed	Status	Last Commit	
pyRevitDevHooks	Revit UI Tools	Ehsan Iran-Nejad	True	True	Yes	Disabled		
pyRevitDevTools	Revit UI Tools	Ehsan Iran-Nejad	True	True	Yes	Disabled		
pyRevitTags	Revit UI Tools	Ehsan Iran-Nejad	True	True	Yes	Disabled		
pyRevitTemplates	Revit UI Tools	Ehsan Iran-Nejad	True	True	Yes	Disabled		
pyRevitTools	Revit UI Tools	Ehsan Iran-Nejad	True	True	Yes	Enabled		
pyRevitTutor	Revit UI Tools	Ehsan Iran-Nejad	True	False	Yes	Disabled		
PyRevitPlus	Revit UI Tools	Gui Talarico	False	False	No	--	--	
PyRevitMEP	Revit UI Tools	Cyril Waechter	False	True	No	--	--	
pyApex	Revit UI Tools	Aleksey Melnikov	False	True	No	--	--	
Revitron	IronPython Library	Marc Anton Dahmen	False	True	No	--	--	
Revitron UI	Revit UI Tools	Marc Anton Dahmen	False	True	No	--	--	
pyStructure	Revit UI Tools	Shahabaz Sha	False	True	No	--	--	
MEPDesign	Revit UI Tools	André Rodrigues da Silva	False	True	No	--	--	
pyTiBa	Revit UI Tools	Tillmann Baumeister	False	True	No	--	--	
EF-Tools	Revit UI Tools	Erik Frits	False	True	Yes	Enabled	7bb6cfb	
pyChilizer	Revit UI Tools	Archilizer	False	True	No	--	--	
pySSG	Revit UI Tools	Kyle Bruxvoort	False	True	No	--	--	