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1 import os
2 import argparse
3 from datetime import datetime
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5 # --- EXISTING FUNCTIONS (sequential_rename, replace_text_rename) OMITTED FOR BREVITY ---
6 # ... (The existing sequential_rename and replace_text_rename functions go here)
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9 def date_rename(folder_path, date_format="%Y%m%d_%H%M%S", prefix="", suffix="", use_modification_time=False):
10     """Renames files using their creation or last modification date/time."""
11     print(f"Starting date-based rename in: {folder_path}")
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13     # Decide which timestamp to use
14     timestamp_func = os.path.getmtime if use_modification_time else os.path.getctime
15     time_source = "modification" if use_modification_time else "creation"
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17     print(f"Using file {time_source} time.")
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19     files = sorted(os.listdir(folder_path))
20
21     for filename in files:
22         old_path = os.path.join(folder_path, filename)
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24         # Skip directories
25         if os.path.isdir(old_path):
26             continue
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28         base_name, ext = os.path.splitext(filename)
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30         try:
31             # 1. Get the timestamp (in seconds since the epoch)
32             timestamp_sec = timestamp_func(old_path)
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34             # 2. Convert timestamp to a datetime object
35             file_date = datetime.fromtimestamp(timestamp_sec)
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37             # 3. Format the date into a string
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38     date_str = file_date.strftime(date_format)
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40     # 4. Construct the new filename: prefix_YYYYMMDD_HHMMSS_suffix.ext
41     parts = [prefix, date_str, suffix]
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43     # Filter out any empty strings and join the remaining parts
44     # We use '_' as a separator if both prefix and date are present, etc.
45     name_parts = [p for p in parts if p]
46     new_base_name = "_".join(name_parts)
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48     new_filename = f"{new_base_name}{ext}"
49     new_path = os.path.join(folder_path, new_filename)
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51     # Prevent overwrites
52     if os.path.exists(new_path):
53         # Append a counter to the suffix if a conflict occurs (e.g., if files were created in the same second)
54         i = 1
55         while os.path.exists(new_path):
56             conflict_suffix = f"{suffix}_{i}" if suffix else f"_{i}"
57             new_filename = f"{prefix}_{date_str}{conflict_suffix}{ext}"
58             new_path = os.path.join(folder_path, new_filename)
59             i += 1
60             print(f"⚠ Conflict resolved. Renamed: {filename} -> {new_filename}")
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62     os.rename(old_path, new_path)
63     print(f"Renamed: {filename} -> {new_filename}")
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65 except Exception as e:
66     print(f"✗ ERROR renaming {filename}: {e}")
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68 print("\n✓ Date-based renaming complete.")
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72 def main():
73     """Main function to handle command-line arguments."""
74     parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(
75         description="A versatile file-naming automation tool (now with humanized date features).",
76         epilog="Example: python rename_tool.py date C:\\\\Users\\\\...\\\\Photos -f %Y-%m-%d_ -p IMG -m"
77     )
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79     subparsers = parser.add_subparsers(dest="mode", required=True, help="Renaming mode")
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81     # --- Sequential Renaming Mode (seq) ---
82     # ... (Sequential parser definition)
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84     # --- Text Replacement Mode (rep) ---
85     # ... (Replacement parser definition)
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87     # --- NEW: Date-Based Renaming Mode (date) ---
88     parser_date = subparsers.add_parser('date', help='Date-based renaming mode')
89     parser_date.add_argument('folder_path', help='The path to the folder containing the files.')
90     parser_date.add_argument('-f', '--date_format', default="%Y%m%d_%H%M%S",
91                             help='Python strftime format string (e.g., %Y-%m-%d). Default: %Y%m%d_%H%M%S.')
92     parser_date.add_argument('-p', '--prefix', default="", help='Optional: Prefix to add before the date (e.g., "Photo").')
93     parser_date.add_argument('-s', '--suffix', default="", help='Optional: Suffix to add after the date.')
94     parser_date.add_argument('-m', '--use_modification_time', action='store_true',
95                             help='Use file last modification time (mtime) instead of creation time (ctime).')
96
97     args = parser.parse_args()
98
99     # Dispatch to the appropriate function
100    if args.mode == 'seq':
101        # sequential_rename(...)
102        pass # Placeholder for existing call
103    elif args.mode == 'rep':
104        # replace_text_rename(...)
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104 |     # replace_text_rename(...)  
105 |     pass # Placeholder for existing call  
106 v     elif args.mode == 'date':  
107 |         date_rename(args.folder_path, args.date_format, args.prefix, args.suffix, args.use_modification_time)  
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109 v     if __name__ == "__main__":  
110 |         main()
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