
Subject: Re: parse subdirectories

Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Wed, 15 Mar 2017 20:05:22 GMT

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On Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 7:23:46 PM UTC+1, alx wrote:

> Le mercredi 15 mars 2017 16:02:42 UTC+1, Helder a écrit :

>> On Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 12:04:15 AM UTC+1, Helder wrote:

>>> Thanks for the insight Wayne.

>>> I think I will go for the sort/count slashes option. Otherwise programming is no fun.

>>> Cheers, Helder

>>

>> Ok,

>> so I managed this and it is working fine. The improvement is there: crawling through 2000 sub-directories takes ~9 seconds against the >14 sec with the old file_search method.

>> Now the time to execute is limited by the spawn command (8.5 sec), whereas before it was limited by the file_search (13 sec).

>> If anybody requests it and I have time I'll put the code together in a "nicer" way.

>> Cheers,

>> Helder

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> Maybe you could simply reorder your string array first by using SORT ?

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> print, result[sort(result)]

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> K:\data\sub-1\2002

> K:\data\sub-1\2002\02_01_26

> K:\data\sub-1\2002\02_01_28

> K:\data\sub-1\2004

> K:\data\sub-1\2004\04_12_02

> K:\data\sub-1\2004\04_12_03

> K:\data\sub-1\2005

> K:\data\sub-1\2017

Hi Alx,

that's indeed *one* of the things I have to do. However, there's more to it than plain sorting. This because I want to maintain the physical tree structure: therefore I have to determine if any given directory is a node or a leaf and index it accordingly.

Since I like to use this a lot - and wonder why this isn't already available - I will try to order/clean things up and share it when it's done.

What it does not do and will no do, is follow symbolic links and I will not test this on a linux/mac machine (simply don't have one). If anybody is interested, we can share the load :-)

Cheers,

Helder
