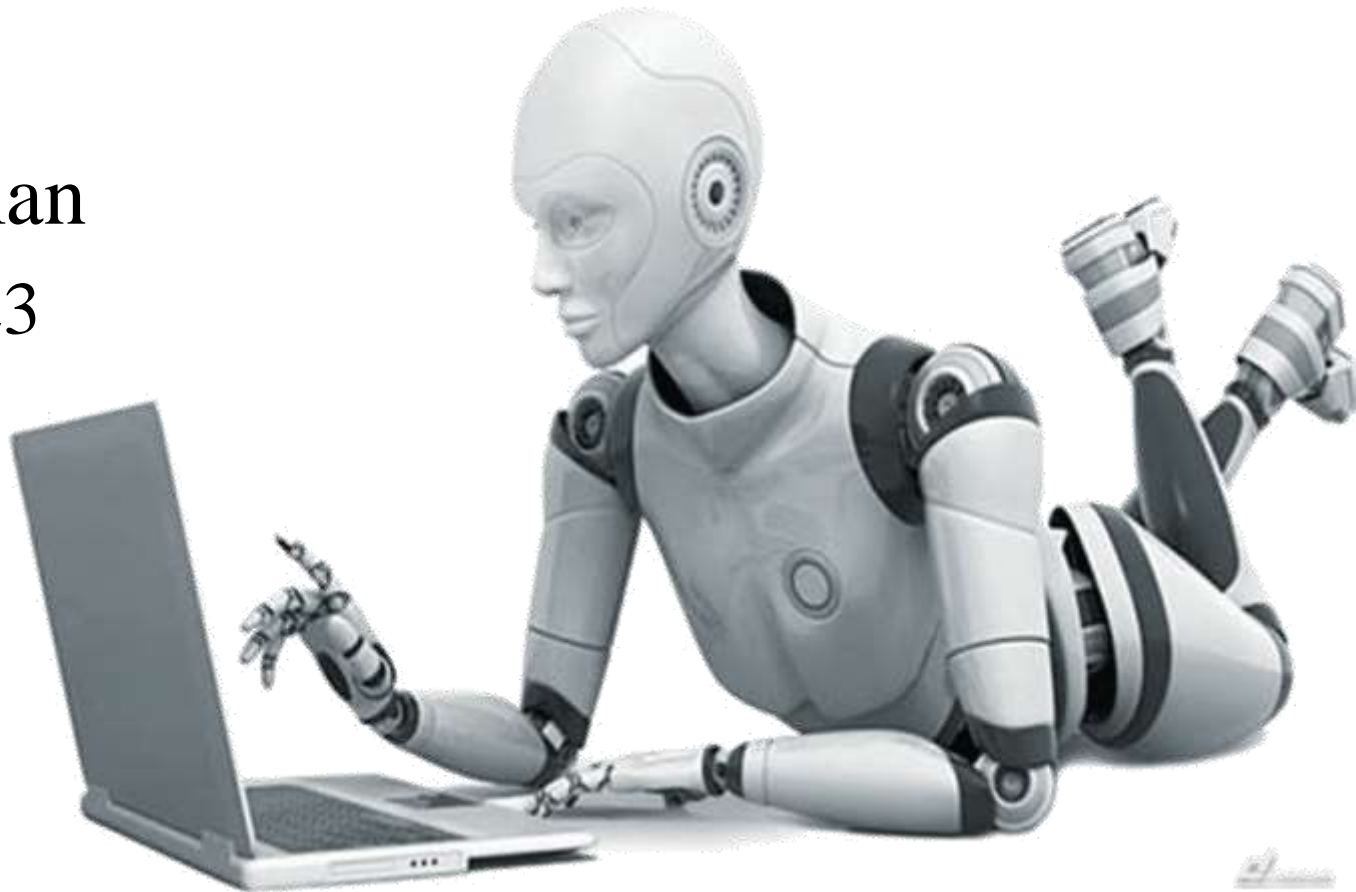


# Computer Programming Using Artificial Intelligence

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May 10, 2023



# Programing Possibilities

- Generate code in a number of popular languages (C++, Python, Java...)
- Scripting (Batch commands, PowerShell)
- Macros (VBA, LibreOffice Basic)
- Web page development (HTML, PHP, JavaScript)
- Code debugging and optimization
- Documentation (Add comments)
- Learning assistant



# ChatGPT

- Developed by OpenAI
- During the research preview usage is free
- Try it at: <https://chat.openai.com>
- *ChatGPT Plus* subscription plan
  - \$20/month
  - access during peak times
  - faster response
  - priority for new features and improvements



# Bard

- Developed by Google
- <https://bard.google.com>
- Help with coding and topics about coding
- Bard is an experiment and may give inaccurate or inappropriate responses
- You can help make Bard better by leaving feedback
- Join the waitlist and try it for yourself

A blue rectangular button with rounded corners and a white border, containing the text "Join waitlist" in white. It is set against a light blue background.

Join waitlist

**Bard isn't currently supported  
in your country. Stay tuned!**

# GitHub Copilot

- Developed by GitHub and OpenAI
- 30-day free trial
- Need to setup a (free) GitHub account
- Plans – \$10/month for individuals
  - \$20/month for business



# Introducing ChatGPT

We've trained a model called ChatGPT which interacts in a conversational way. The dialogue format makes it possible for ChatGPT to answer followup questions, admit its mistakes, challenge incorrect premises, and reject inappropriate requests.

[Try ChatGPT](#)[Read about ChatGPT Plus](#)

Illustration: Ruby Chen

<https://openai.com/blog/chatgpt>



Welcome to ChatGPT

Log in with your OpenAI account to continue

Log in

Sign up



## Welcome back

Email address

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Don't have an account? [Sign up](#)

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+ New chat

Clear Print Queue.

New chat

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# ChatGPT

## Examples

"Explain quantum computing in simple terms" →

"Got any creative ideas for a 10 year old's birthday?" →

"How do I make an HTTP request in Javascript?" →

## Capabilities

Remembers what user said earlier in the conversation

Allows user to provide follow-up corrections

Trained to decline inappropriate requests

## Limitations

May occasionally generate incorrect information

May occasionally produce harmful instructions or biased content

Limited knowledge of world and events after 2021

Enter a request...

Send a message...

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# Batch File

Send a message... write a windows batch file to clear the print queue



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write a windows batch file to clear the print queue



To clear the print queue using a Windows batch file, you can use the following steps:

1. Open Notepad or any text editor.
2. Type the following command into the editor:

CSS

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```
net stop spooler  
del /Q /F %systemroot%\System32\spool\PRINTERS\*  
net start spooler
```

3. Save the file with any name of your choice, but with the extension `.bat`. For example, you can save it as `clear_print_queue.bat`.
4. Double-click on the file to run it, or you can run it from the command prompt.

The batch file stops the spooler service, deletes all files in the PRINTERS folder, and then restarts the spooler service to clear the print queue. Note that running this batch file will clear all pending print jobs in the print queue, so make sure you save any important documents before running it.

# PowerShell Script

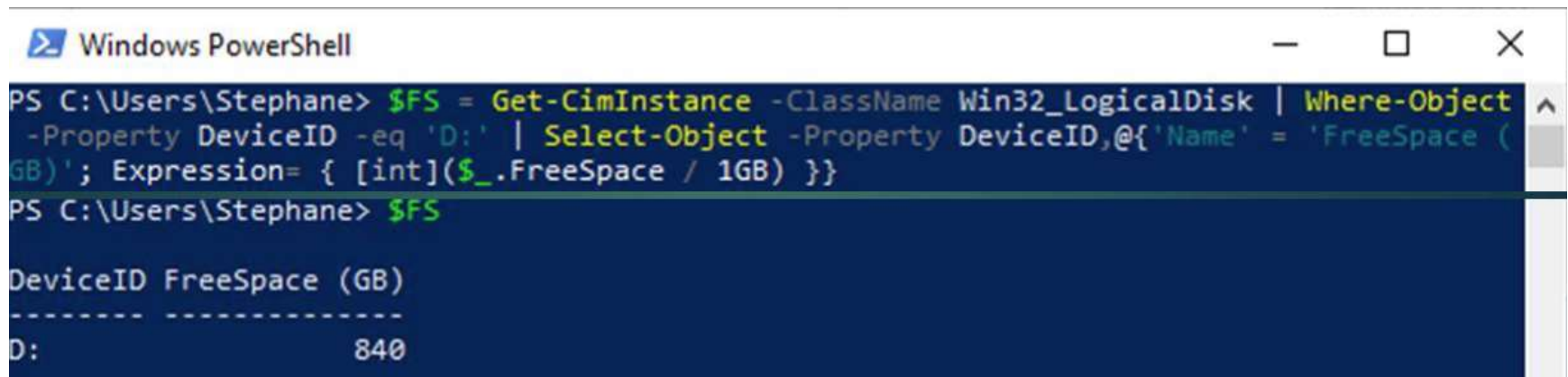
Send a message... write a powershell command to give the free space on drive D: expressed in GB 

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## Example: Get Free space for a specific drive

- ▶ I want the free space on drive D: expressed in GB in a variable so that I can test it and display a different message based on the result of the test.
- ▶ Like in any programming language, there is always many ways to do something.
- ▶ In the next slides, I will walk you through my process to get that information.



```
Windows PowerShell
PS C:\Users\Stephane> $FS = Get-CimInstance -ClassName Win32_LogicalDisk | Where-Object
-Property DeviceID -eq 'D:' | Select-Object -Property DeviceID,@{'Name' = 'FreeSpace (
GB)'; Expression= { [int]($_.FreeSpace / 1GB) }}
PS C:\Users\Stephane> $FS

DeviceID FreeSpace (GB)
-----
D:          840
```

OPCUG Share PowerShell Overview

Stéphane Richard

[https://opcug.ca/qa\\_recordings/20230125\\_PowerShell.pdf](https://opcug.ca/qa_recordings/20230125_PowerShell.pdf)




write a PowerShell command to give the free space on drive D: expressed in GB



Sure, here's a PowerShell command to give you the free space on drive D: expressed in GB:

sql

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```
(Get-PSDrive -PSProvider 'FileSystem' | Where-Object {$_.Name -eq 'D'}).Free/1GB
```

This command first uses the `Get-PSDrive` cmdlet to get information about all the drives on the system that use the `FileSystem` provider, and then uses `Where-Object` to filter the results to only include the drive with the name `D`.

The `Free` property of that drive object is then divided by `1GB` to convert the value from bytes to gigabytes and output the result.

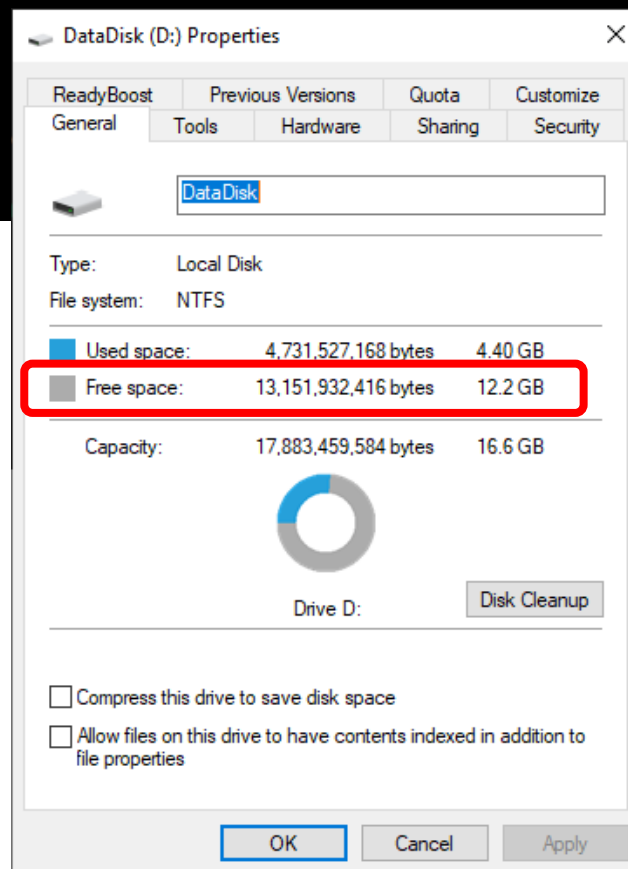
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```
DOS - Powershell
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.19045.2846]
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C:\Windows\System32>Powershell
Windows PowerShell
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Try the new cross-platform PowerShell https://aka.ms/pscore6

PS C:\Windows\System32> (Get-PSDrive -PSProvider 'FileSystem' | Where-Object {$_.Name -eq 'D'}).Free/1GB
>>
12.2486915588379
PS C:\Windows\System32>
```





# Automatic Update to Q&A-Index.pdf

Send a message... write some python code...



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The links below point to yearly web pages containing details of the sessions and links to the related files. Note that the listings for the Q&A sessions for any given year are posted in reverse chronological order.



**Macro**

Add Entry



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File Edit Search View Encoding Language Settings Tools Macro Run Plugins Window ?



qa\_listing.txt

```
1 April 19, 2023
2 Follow-Up - Any red flags here?
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12 Ask - Teams' conversations
13 Update - TunnelBear VPN
14 April 19, 2023
15 20230419_PowerPoint.pdf (2.8 MB)
16 20230419_Audio.m4a (64.8 MB)
17 20230419_Chat.txt (8 KB)
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**Python script creates  
HTML code for  
website listings**

**April 19, 2023**

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## OUR MOST RECENT Q&A SESSION

**UPDATE**  **TunnelBear VPN**

- *A serious VPN that doesn't take itself too seriously*
  - PC Mag
- Based in Toronto
  - created in 2011
  - acquired by McAfee in 2018
- Connect through 48 countries
- Unlimited devices
  - Windows, Android, macOS, iOS
  - limited support for Linux.*
- Free account
  - 2 GB per month (**up from 500 MB previously**)
  - extra 1 GB by tweeting - can do every month
- Unlimited account (US\$ pricing)
  - 1 month - \$9.99
  - 1 year - \$59.88 (\$4.99/month)
  - 3 years - \$120 (\$3.33/month)



*TunnelBear*

PDF versions of the PowerPoint presentations, a associated discussions, and copies of the comm

**MOST RECENT Q&A SESSION – April 19, 2023**

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# Copy the topics to Q&A-Index.odt

- I know how to read lines of text from a TXT file (and write these lines to a text file)
- But an ODT file is not a TXT file!
- It's a ZIP file with XML components, one of which contains the body text for the document

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**LibreOffice Basic macro copies the topics to Q&A-Index.odt**

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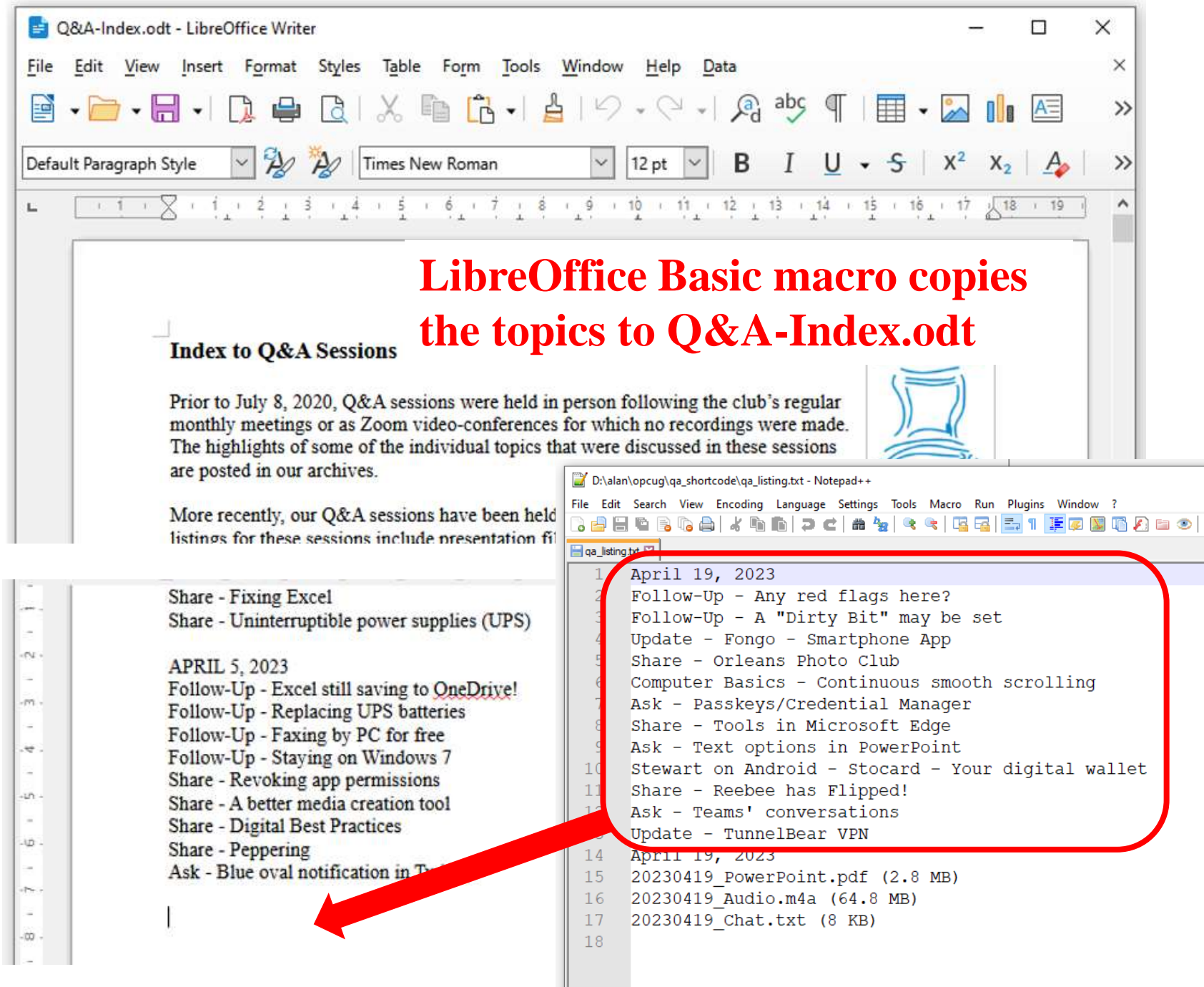
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Share - Fixing Excel  
Share - Uninterruptible power supplies (UPS)

**APRIL 5, 2023**  
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Follow-Up - Replacing UPS batteries  
Follow-Up - Faxing by PC for free  
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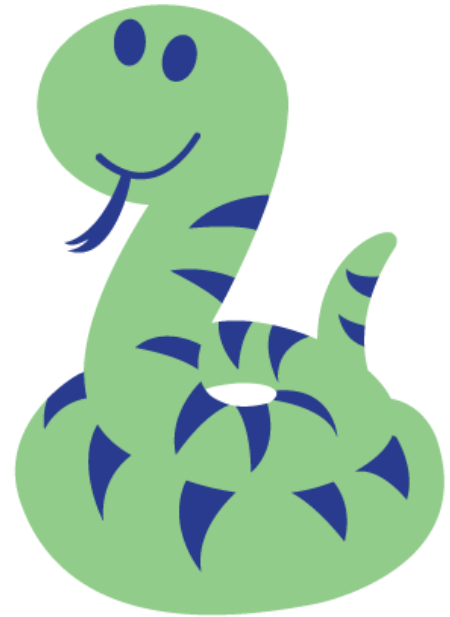
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## Action plan:

Create Python code to:

- open the ODT file
- read lines from the text file
- add these lines to the end of the ODT file
- save the ODT file
- export it to a PDF file

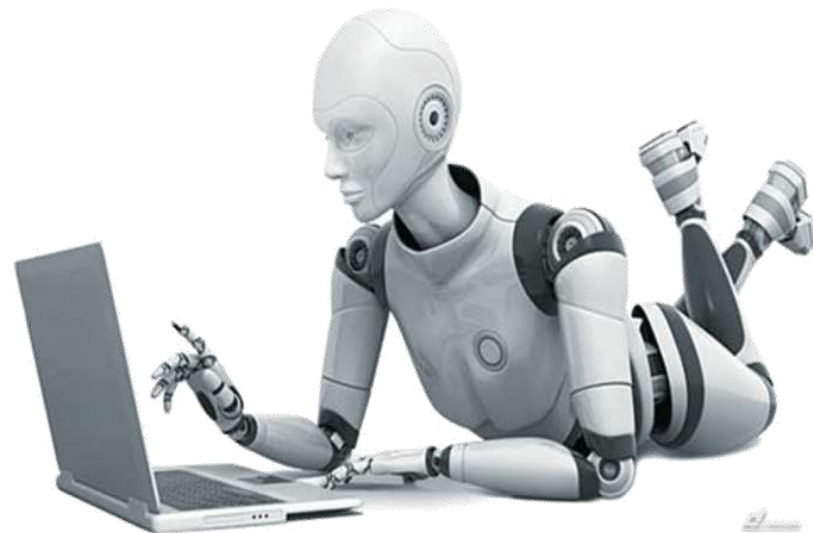


# ChatGPT

[chat.openai.com/chat](https://chat.openai.com/chat)



Write a python program to open an ODT file  
and add a line of text to the end of the file








write a python program to open an odt file and add a line of text to the end of the file



To open an ODT file and add a line of text to the end of the file using Python, we can use the ``odfpy`` module. Here is a sample code:



python

 Copy code

```
from odf.opendocument import load
from odf.text import P

# Load the ODT file
doc = load('example.odt')

# Create a new paragraph
new_paragraph = P(text='This is a new line of text.')

# Add the new paragraph to the end of the file
doc.text.addElement(new_paragraph)

# Save the modified file
doc.save('example.odt')
```

Make sure to replace 'example.odt' with the path to your own ODT file. This code loads the file, creates a new paragraph with the desired text, adds it to the end of the text content, and saves the modified file.





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# odfpy 1.4.1

```
pip install odfpy
```

[Latest version](#)

Released: Jan 18, 2020

## Project description

Odfpy is a library to read and write OpenDocument v. 1.2 files. The main focus has been to prevent the programmer from creating invalid documents. It has checks that raise an exception if the programmer adds an invalid element, adds an attribute unknown to the grammar, forgets to add a required attribute or adds text to an element that doesn't allow it.

These checks and the API itself were generated from the RelaxNG schema, and then hand-edited. Therefore the API is complete and can handle all ODF constructions.

<https://pypi.org/project/odfpy/>




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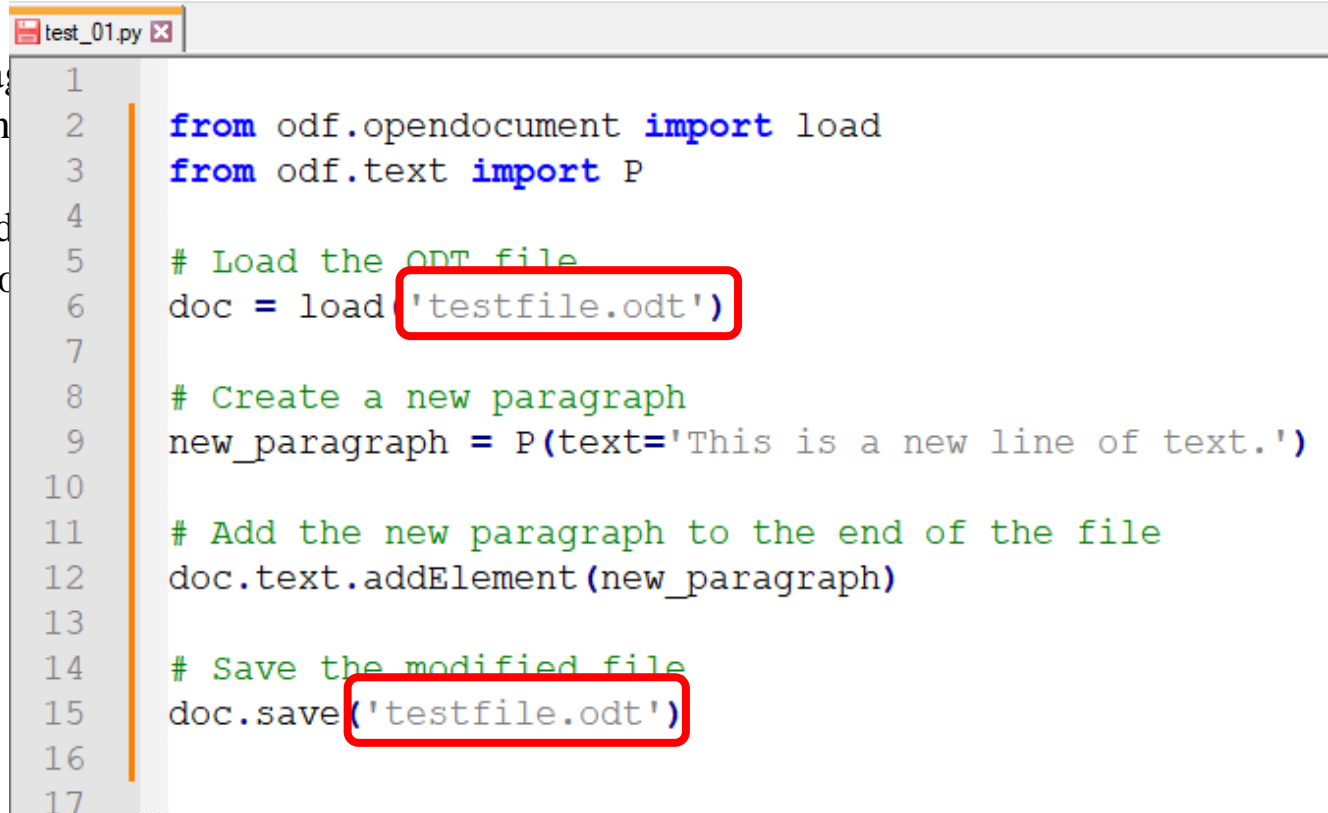
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test_01.py
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2 from odf.opendocument import load
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5 # Load the ODT file
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APRIL 19, 2023

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Project

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  - character\_counter.odt
  - Chrysler\_ECU.txt
  - ExtractStr.bat
  - ExtractStr.cfg
  - ExtractStr.py
  - ExtractStr.xlsm
  - ExtractStr\_01.py
  - ExtractStr\_01.xlsm
  - ExtractStr\_02.py
  - ExtractStr\_jcom.xlsm
  - ExtractStr\_single\_pattern.py
  - PDFfilenames.txt
  - PDFfileResults.txt
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Run: test\_01

C:\Users\toaster\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python310\python.exe D:\alan\test\test\_01.py

Process finished with exit code 0



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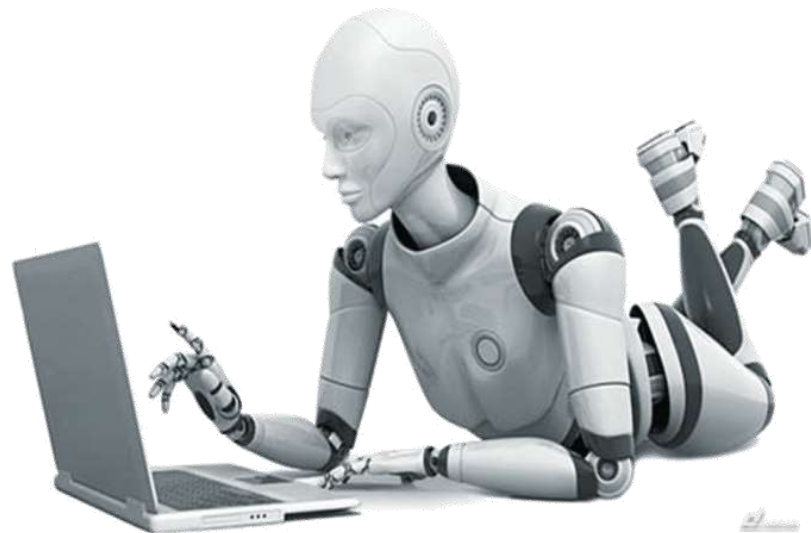
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Write a python program to export an ODT  
file as PDF








write a python program to export an odt file as pdf



To export an ODT file as PDF using Python, you can use the `unoconv` library. The `unoconv` library allows you to interact with LibreOffice or OpenOffice from Python and convert files between different formats. Here's an example Python program that uses `unoconv` to export an ODT file as PDF:

python

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```
import subprocess

def convert_to_pdf(input_file, output_file):
    command = ['unoconv', '-f', 'pdf', '-o', output_file, input_file]
    subprocess.call(command)

# Example usage:
convert_to_pdf('input.odt', 'output.pdf')
```

In this example, the `convert_to_pdf` function takes two arguments: `input_file` and `output_file`. `input_file` is the path to the ODT file that you want to convert, and `output_file` is the path where you want to save the resulting PDF file.

The function uses the `subprocess` library to call the `unoconv` command with the appropriate arguments. The `-f` option specifies the output format, `-o` specifies the output file path, and `input_file` is the input file path.

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ci	Attempting to fix the failures on macOS (#424)	6 years ago
doc	Updated Changelog and docs (#422)	6 years ago

Universal Office Converter - Convert between any document format supported by LibreOffice/OpenOffice.

[dag.wieers.com/home-made/unoc...](https://dag.wieers.com/home-made/unoc...)

README.adoc

# Automated conversion and styling using LibreOffice

## Unoconv is deprecated

Please note that there is a rewrite of Unoconv called "Unoserver": <https://github.com/unoconv/unoserver/>

We are running Unoserver successfully in production, and it's now the recommended solution.

Unoserver does not have all the features of Unoconv, which features it will get depends on a combination of what people want, and if someone wants to implement it.




write a python program to export an odt file as pdf



To achieve this task, you will need to install the LibreOffice package, which includes the `soffice.exe` binary that we will use to convert the ODT file to PDF. Here's an example Python program that you can use to accomplish this:

python

 Copy code

```
import subprocess

# specify the path to the LibreOffice executable
libreoffice_path = '/usr/bin/soffice'

# specify the path to the ODT file to be converted
odt_path = '/path/to/your/file.odt'

# specify the path to the output PDF file
pdf_path = '/path/to/your/output/file.pdf'

# create the LibreOffice command to convert the ODT file to PDF
command = [libreoffice_path, '--headless', '--convert-to', 'pdf', odt_path,

# use subprocess to execute the command
subprocess.call(command)
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This is for  
a Linux  
filesystem!



write a python program to run in Windows 10 and convert an odt file to pdf

python

 Copy code

```
import subprocess

# Set the path to the LibreOffice installation directory
libreoffice_dir = "C:/Program Files/LibreOffice/program/"

# Set the path to the ODT file to be converted
odt_path = "C:/path/to/document.odt"

# Set the path for the output PDF file
pdf_path = "C:/path/to/output/document.pdf"

# Build the command to convert the ODT file to PDF
cmd = f"{libreoffice_dir}soffice.exe --headless --convert-to pdf --outdir {p

# Execute the command
subprocess.call(cmd, shell=True)
```

Note that this program assumes that LibreOffice is installed in the default directory of "C:/Program Files/LibreOffice/". If you have installed LibreOffice in a different location, you will need to modify the ``libreoffice_dir`` variable to reflect that.

Also note that the ``--headless`` option used with ``soffice.exe`` means that the program will run without a GUI, which is suitable for running on a server or in a batch job. If you want to see the GUI while the program runs, you can remove this option.

test\_02.py

```
1
2 import subprocess
3
4 # Set the path to the LibreOffice installation directory
5 libreoffice_dir = "C:/Program Files/LibreOffice/program/"
6
7 # Set the path to the ODT file to be converted
8 odt_path = "d:/alan/test/testfile.odt"
9
10 # Set the path for the output PDF file
11 pdf_path = "d:/alan/test/testfile.pdf"
12
13 # Build the command to convert the ODT file to PDF
14 cmd = f"{libreoffice_dir}soffice.exe --headless --convert-to pdf --outdir {pdf_path} {odt_path}"
15
16 # Execute the command
17 subprocess.call(cmd, shell=True)
18
19
20
```

# Build the command to run LibreOffice:

```
{libreoffice_dir}soffice.exe --headless --convert-to pdf  
--outdir {pdf_path} {odt_path}
```

**{libreoffice\_dir}** = Path to soffice.exe

**--headless** = Run LibreOffice with no user interface

**--convert-to pdf** = Convert source file to PDF

**--outdir {pdf\_path}** = (*Optional*) Path to save PDF file

**{odt\_path}** = Path to source ODT file



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15
16 # Execute the command
17 subprocess.call(cmd, shell=True)
18
```

```
test_02 x
C:\Users\toaster\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python310\python.exe D:\alan\test\test_02.py
'C:/Program' is not recognized as an internal or external command,
operable program or batch file.

Process finished with exit code 0
```

# Another Use for ChatGPT – Debug!



debug error

```
C:\Users\toaster\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python310\python.exe
```

```
D:\alan\test\test_02.py
```

```
'C:/Program' is not recognized as an internal or external command,  
operable program or batch file.
```



The error seems to be related to the ``libreoffice_dir`` variable not being properly formatted. The path contains spaces, which might be causing issues with the command being passed to the shell.

To fix this, you can enclose the ``libreoffice_dir`` variable in quotes when building the command:

```
python Copy code  
  
import subprocess  
  
# Set the path to the LibreOffice installation directory  
libreoffice_dir = "C:/Program Files/LibreOffice/program/"  
  
# Set the path to the ODT file to be converted  
odt_path = "d:/alan/test/testfile.odt"  
  
# Set the path for the output PDF file  
pdf_path = "d:/alan/test/testfile.pdf"  
  
# Build the command to convert the ODT file to PDF  
cmd = f'"{libreoffice_dir}soffice.exe" --headless --convert-to pdf --outdir  
  
# Execute the command  
subprocess.call(cmd, shell=True)
```

In this updated code, the ``libreoffice_dir`` variable is enclosed in quotes when building the command, as well as the ``pdf_path`` and ``odt_path`` variables. This should ensure that the paths are properly passed to the shell even if they contain spaces.

## Original command:

```
cmd = f"{libreoffice_dir}soffice.exe"  
--headless --convert-to pdf "{odt_path}"
```

## Revised command:

```
cmd = f'"{libreoffice_dir}soffice.exe"  
--headless --convert-to pdf "{odt_path}"'
```

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Project

- ExtractStr D:\alan\djd\pdfminer\ExtractStr
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  - character\_counter.odt
  - Chrysler\_ECU.txt
  - ExtractStr.bat
  - ExtractStr.cfg
  - ExtractStr.py
  - ExtractStr.xlsm
  - ExtractStr\_01.py
  - ExtractStr\_01.xlsm
  - ExtractStr\_02.py
  - ExtractStr\_jcom.xlsm
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  - PDFfilenames.txt
  - PDFfileResults.txt
  - test.py
  - Toyota\_ECU.txt
- External Libraries

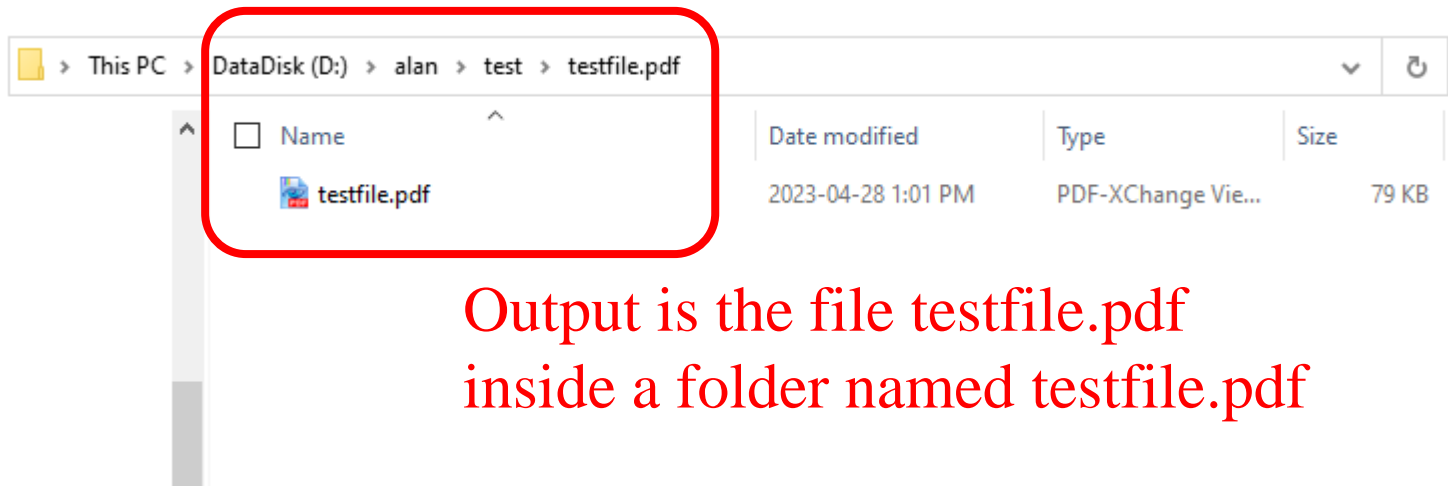
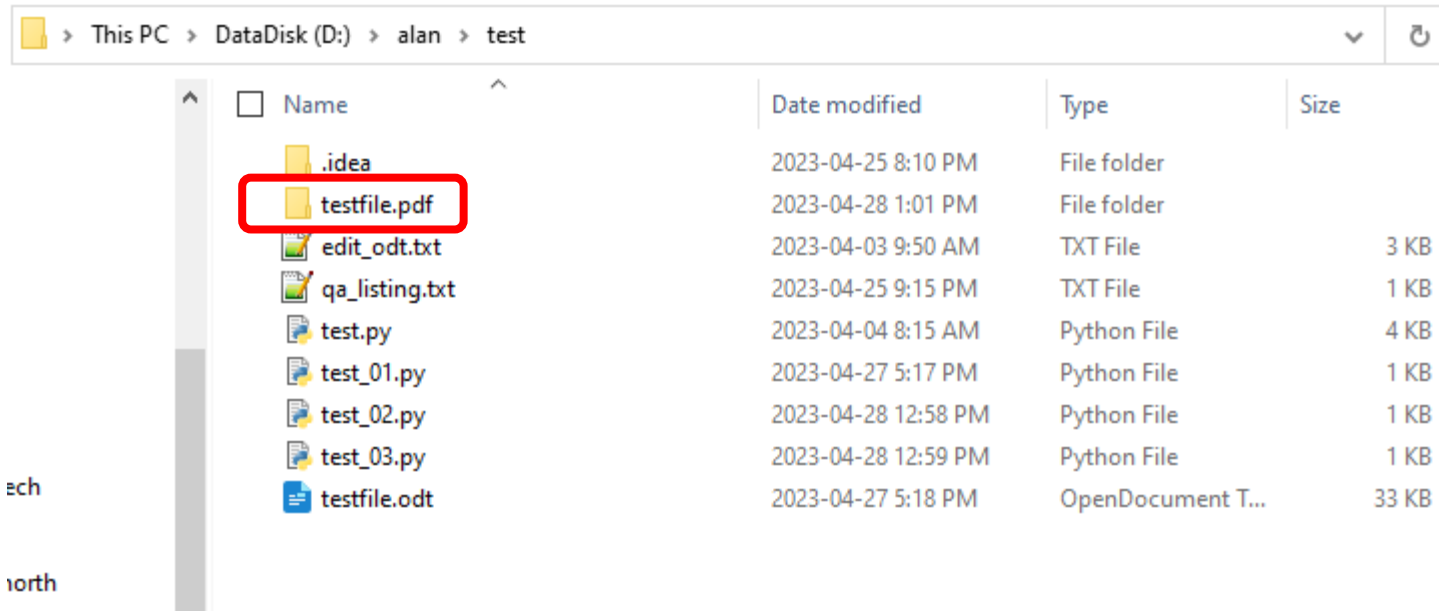
test\_03.py

```
1
2 import subprocess
3
4 # Set the path to the LibreOffice installation directory
5 libreoffice_dir = "C:/Program Files/LibreOffice/program/"
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7 # Set the path to the ODT file to be converted
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15
16 # Execute the command
```

Run: test\_03

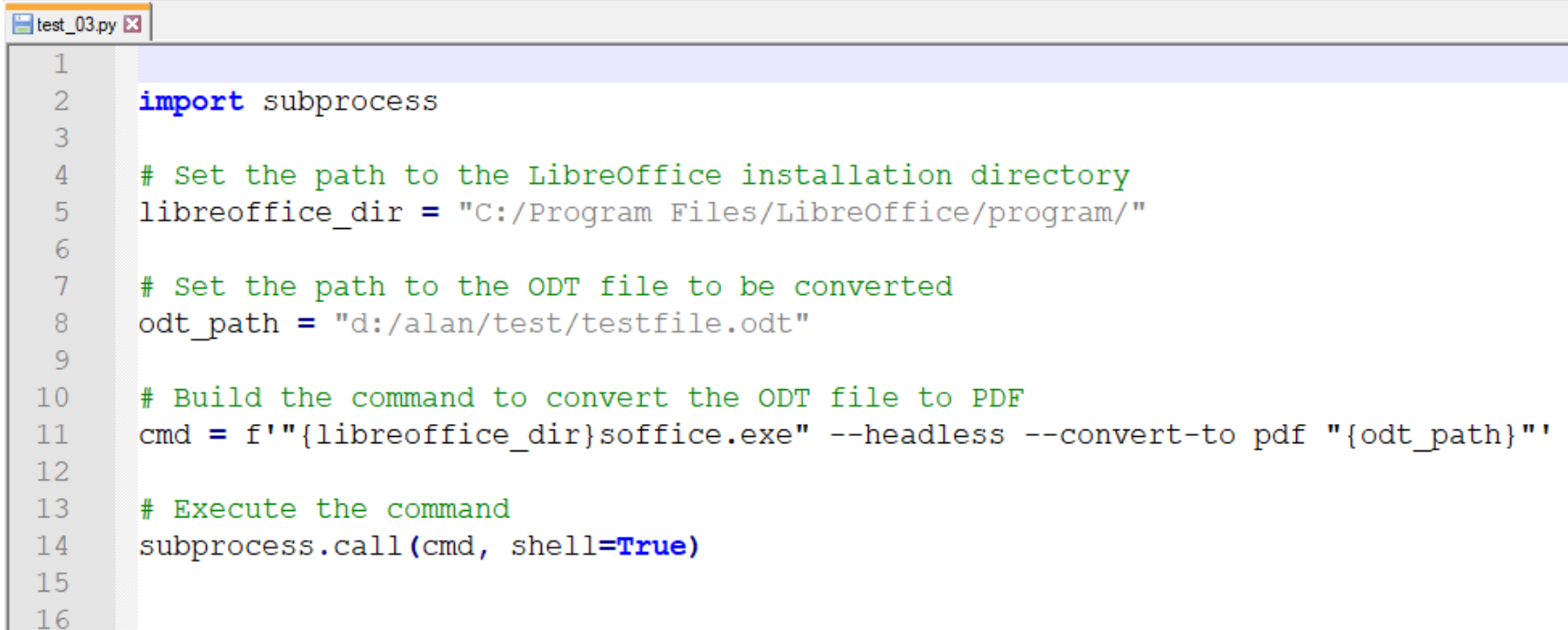
C:\Users\toaster\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python310\python.exe D:\alan\test\test\_03.py

Process finished with exit code 0



Output is the file testfile.pdf  
inside a folder named testfile.pdf

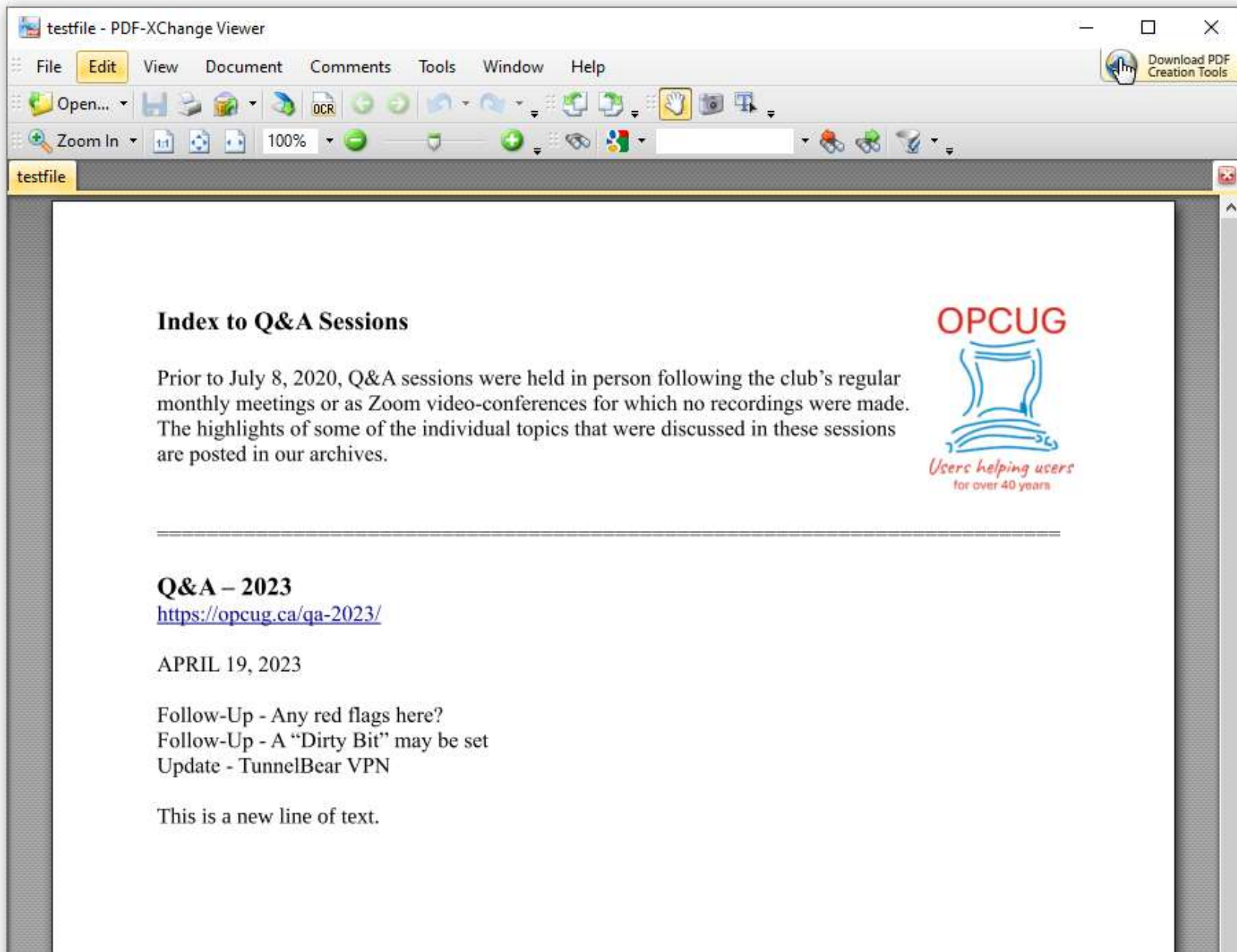
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--outdir {pdf_path} {odt_path}"
15
```



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# A further Use for ChatGPT –Optimize

```
Do While counter < countermax + 1

    ' Read the airbag and deployment types for this record

    airbag_type = Range("S" + CStr(N)).Value
    deployment_type = Range("T" + CStr(N)).Value

    ' Check for front airbag

    If airbag_type = "Steering Wheel Hub" Or _
        airbag_type = "Top Instrument Panel" Or _
        airbag_type = "Mid Instrument Panel" Then _
        Range("X" + CStr(N - 1)).Value = deployment_type

    ' Check for side airbag

    If airbag_type = "Door/Panel" Or _
        airbag_type = "Seat Cushion Side" Or _
        airbag_type = "Seat Back (Outboard)" Then _
        Range("Y" + CStr(N - 1)).Value = deployment_type

    ' Check for side curtain

    If airbag_type = "Roof Side Rail" Then _
        Range("Z" + CStr(N - 1)).Value = deployment_type

    ' Increment counter

    counter = counter + 1

Loop
```



optimize the code

counter = 1

Do While counter < countermax

' Read the airbag and deployment types for this record

airbag\_type = Range("S" + CStr(N)).Value

deployment\_type = Range("T" + CStr(N)).Value

' Process the airbag type for the current row

' Check for front airbag

If airbag\_type = "Steering Wheel Hub" Or \_

airbag\_type = "Top Instrument Panel" Or



There are several ways to optimize the code, here are a few suggestions:

1. Use With statement to avoid repeating Range("N") multiple times. For example:

```
With Range("N" & counter)
    airbag_type = Range("S" & .Row).Value
    deployment_type = Range("T" & .Row).Value
' ...
End With
```

2. Use Select Case statement instead of multiple If statements. For example:

```
Select Case airbag_type
Case "Steering Wheel Hub", "Top Instrument Panel", "Mid Instrument Panel"
    Range("X" & counter).Value = deployment_type
Case "Door/Panel", "Seat Cushion Side", "Seat Back (Outboard)"
    Range("Y" & counter).Value = deployment_type
Case "Roof Side Rail"
    Range("Z" & counter).Value = deployment_type
End Select
```

3. Use For loop instead of Do While loop, which is generally faster. For example:

```
For counter = 1 To countermax
' ...
Next counter
```

4. Turn off screen updating and calculation to speed up the loop. For example:

```
Application.ScreenUpdating = False
```

```
Application.Calculation = xlCalculationManual
```

```
' Your loop code here
```

```
Application.ScreenUpdating = True
```

```
Application.Calculation = xlCalculationAutomatic
```

Note that turning off screen updating and calculation can significantly improve performance, but it also means that the user won't see the changes in the worksheet until the end of the loop, and any formulas that depend on the changed cells won't be updated until calculation is turned back on. Therefore, use it with caution and make sure to turn it back on at the end of the loop.

 Regenerate response

Send a message.



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Here are a few suggestions to optimize the code:

1. Use For Loop instead of Do While loop.
2. Use With statement to reference the range objects.
3. Use Select Case instead of multiple If statements.

Here's the optimized code:

```
countermax = 100 ' set countermax to the desired value
For counter = 1 To countermax
    With Range("S" & counter)
        airbag_type = .Value
    End With
    With Range("T" & counter)
        deployment_type = .Value
    End With
    Select Case airbag_type
        Case "Steering Wheel Hub", "Top Instrument Panel", "Mid Instrument Panel"
            Range("X" & counter).Value = deployment_type
        Case "Door/Panel", "Seat Cushion Side", "Seat Back (Outboard)"
            Range("Y" & counter).Value = deployment_type
        Case "Roof Side Rail"
            Range("Z" & counter).Value = deployment_type
    End Select
Next counter
```

By using For loop instead of Do While loop, we can simplify the code and make it more efficient. With the use of With statement, we can reference the range objects more efficiently. By using Select Case instead of multiple If statements, we can make the code more readable and easier to understand.

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  - ThisWorkbook
- Modules
  - Module1

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ChatGPT\_Macro

```

Sub ChatGPT_Macro()

    countermax = 100 ' set countermax to the desired value
    For counter = 1 To countermax
        With Range("S" & counter)
            airbag_type = .Value
        End With
        With Range("T" & counter)
            deployment_type = .Value
        End With
        Select Case airbag_type
            Case "Steering Wheel Hub", "Top Instrument Panel", "Mid Instrument Panel"
                Range("X" & counter).Value = deployment_type
            Case "Door/Panel", "Seat Cushion Side", "Seat Back (Outboard)"
                Range("Y" & counter).Value = deployment_type
            Case "Roof Side Rail"
                Range("Z" & counter).Value = deployment_type
        End Select
    Next counter

End Sub

```

S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
Steering Wheel Hub	Deployed during crash				Deployed during crash		
Roof Side Rail	Not deployed						Not deployed
Seat Back (Outboard)	Not deployed					Not deployed	
<b>Airbag Location</b>	<b>Deployment Status</b>				<b>Front Airbag</b>	<b>Side Airbag</b>	<b>Head Curtain</b>





**Now I know how to write  
lines of text to an ODT file,  
save the ODT file as PDF,  
and how to debug and  
optimize my code in Python!**