Homework 0 - Internet Browser Bookmark/Favorites Analysis

This exercise analyzes your "Favorites" directory structure for internet browsers. Your task is to efficiently display the number of folders and their nesting (subfolders). This only has to be done for one machine, but preferably it is a machine that has been in use a while so that it has collected a fair number of bookmarks. It would also be interesting to see the number of links in each subfolder.

These favorites are also called "Bookmarks" by browsers other than MS Internet Explorer (e.g., Netscape). In MSIE, the favorites are individual binary files with an ".url" extension, stored individually in various directories in your "favorites" file path. Suppose your computer logon name is JOE. Then, if you use MS Windows 2000 or XP, the files are in C:\Documents and Settings\joe\Favorites. With Netscape, the bookmarks are in a single .html file.

MSIE

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Directory of C:\Documents and Settings\joe\Favorites (NEST 0)
02/04/2004 02:45p
01/20/2005 12:38p
                              177 Search - Google.url
                              160 Search - JSTOR.url
262 Search - Library of Congress.url
04/18/2004 04:02p
C:\Documents and Settings\joe\Favorites\geophysics (NEST 1)
4/18/2005 09:41a <DIR> Ionosphere
4/18/2005 09:41a
                                Magnetohydrodynamics
                   <DIR>
Data
                                 Radar IR Satellite
C:\Documents and Settings\joe\Favorites\Geophysics\Wx (Nest 2)
05/03/2005 08:51a <DIR>
01/05/2005 02:09p
                              134 NOAA NWS Climate Prediction
Center.url
C:\Documents and Settings\joe\Favorites\Geophysics\Wx\CT (Nest 3)
02/14/2005 05:58p
12/02/2004 10:38a
                  160 WEATHER WARS.ur
                               150 1974 US Navy CT Patent.url
etc.
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NETSCAPE

Geophysics

Volcano Summary Links
WORLD WEBCAM MONITOR THE FROZEN WORLD
AGU ToC Alerts Contents of Recent AGU Journals

Wx

Aviation Weather links
supercell.org
Weather Photography lightning, clouds, atmospheric optics & astronomy

CT

1974 US Navy Chemtrail Patent! - What Have They Achieved Since Then Aerosol and Electromagnetic Weapons In The Age Of Nuclear War AF2025 v3c15-3 Weather as a Force Multiplier Owning... (Ch 3) Owning the Weather

Magnetohydrodynamics

Current Solar Data

Ionosphere

HAARP Data Index HAARP Site Map

Using the above Netscape example, and assuming you only had one main level of bookmarks called "Geophysics", you could summarize them as:

	<u>Nest 0</u>	Nest 1	Nest 2	<u>Nest 3</u>
Folders	1	3	1	0
Links	3	7	4	0

Alternatively, you could just go to your favorites button and count all the links in each subfolder.

One way to get the directory structure is to use the TREE command; open a DOS window, change to you Favorites directory (see above location), and type TREE. You get an output that looks like this:

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Folder PATH listing
Volume serial number is 0006FE80 FC11:357A
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C:.
+---Econ Finance
| +---Actuarial
+---Finance
| +---market analysis
| +---Reference
| +---Risk
+---Geophysics
| +---Data
| +---Ionosphere
| +---Magnetohydrodynamics
| +---Radar IR Satellite
| +---Wx
| +---CT
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