

# QGIS Application - Feature request #4920

## Add python actions examples to documentation

2012-01-30 11:39 AM - Giovanni Manghi

<b>Status:</b> Closed	
<b>Priority:</b> Normal	
<b>Assignee:</b>	
<b>Category:</b> Documentation and Help	
<b>Pull Request or Patch Supplied:</b> Yes	<b>Resolution:</b> fixed
<b>Easy fix?:</b> No	<b>Copied to github as #:</b> 14726
<b>Description</b>	
<p>I have two good examples of python actions that I believe are good to be included in the Manual.</p> <p>The first two are about opening files with external programs: usually you have to use absolute paths, or relative paths... relative to the position of the external program executable.</p> <p>What about if you need to use relative paths relative to the selected layer (file based)?</p> <pre>command = "eog"; imagerelpath = "immagini/tav_01.jpg"; layer = qgis.utils.iface.activeLayer(); import os.path; layerpath = layer.source() if layer.providerType() 'ogr' else (qgis.core.QgsDataSourceURI(layer.source()).database() if layer.providerType() 'spatialite' else None); path = os.path.dirname(str(layerpath)); image = os.path.join(path, imagerelpath); import subprocess; subprocess.Popen( [command, image ] );</pre> <p>and what about if the relative path need to be relative to the (saved) project file?</p> <pre>command = "eog"; imagerelpath = "immagini/tav_01.jpg"; projectpath = qgis.core.QgsProject.instance().fileName(); import os.path; path = os.path.dirname(str(projectpath)) if projectpath != " else None; image= os.path.join(path, imagerelpath); import subprocess; subprocess.Popen( [command, image ] );</pre> <p>He also suggested me a way to add new layers to a project trough an action:</p> <pre>qgis.utils.iface.addVectorLayer('/home/user/%column_name.shp','%NAME', 'ogr')</pre> <pre>qgis.utils.iface.addRasterLayer('/home/user/%column_name.tif','%NAME')</pre>	

### History

#### #1 - 2012-08-12 02:45 PM - Giovanni Manghi

- Pull Request or Patch supplied changed from No to Yes
- File *working\_with\_vector\_patch.diff* added

#### #2 - 2012-08-12 03:46 PM - Giovanni Manghi

- Tracker changed from Bug report to Feature request

### #3 - 2012-08-20 05:13 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Resolution set to fixed
- Status changed from Open to Closed

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<https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Documentation/commit/281bdcc9b91344bf5138a322c0372d7217775a6c>

#### Files

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working_with_vector_patch.diff	2.75 KB	2012-08-12	Giovanni Manghi
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