

# PS4

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## **Github Classroom Assignment Setup and Submission Instructions**

### **1. Accepting and Setting up the PS4 Assignment Repository**

- Each student must individually accept the repository for the problem set from Github Classroom (“ps4”) – <https://classroom.github.com/a/hWhtchqH>
  - You will be prompted to select your cnetid from the list in order to link your Github account to your cnetid.
  - If you can’t find your cnetid in the link above, click “continue to next step” and accept the assignment, then add your name, cnetid, and Github account to this Google Sheet and we will manually link it: <https://rb.gy/9u7fb6>
- If you authenticated and linked your Github account to your device, you should be able to clone your PS4 assignment repository locally.
- Contents of PS4 assignment repository:
  - `ps4_template.qmd`: this is the Quarto file with the template for the problem set. You will write your answers to the problem set here.

### **2. Submission Process:**

- Knit your completed solution `ps4.qmd` as a pdf `ps4.pdf`.
  - Your submission does not need runnable code. Instead, you will tell us either what code you ran or what output you got.
- To submit, push `ps4.qmd` and `ps4.pdf` to your PS4 assignment repository. Confirm on Github.com that your work was successfully pushed.

## **Grading**

- You will be graded on what was last pushed to your PS4 assignment repository before the assignment deadline
- Problem sets will be graded for completion as: {missing (0%); - (incomplete, 50%); + (excellent, 100%)}
  - The percent values assigned to each problem denote how long we estimate the problem will take as a share of total time spent on the problem set, not the points they are associated with.
- In order for your submission to be considered complete, you need to push both your `ps4.qmd` and `ps4.pdf` to your repository. Submissions that do not include both files will automatically receive 50% credit.

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import pandas as pd
import altair as alt
import time
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
import requests
from urllib.parse import urljoin
from datetime import datetime

import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
alt.renderers.enable("png")

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## Step 1: Develop initial scraper and crawler

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with open(r'C:\Users\Owner\Documents\Data_Vis\ps4-clschraw\hhs.htm', 'r',
        encoding='utf-8') as file:
    html_content = file.read()

soup = BeautifulSoup(html_content, 'html.parser')
card_group = soup.find('ul', class_='usa-card-group')
cards = card_group.find_all('li', class_='usa-card') if card_group else []
enforcement_actions = []

for card in cards:
    header = card.find('header', class_='usa-card__header')

    if header:
        heading = header.find('h2', class_='usa-card__heading')

        if heading:
            link_tag = heading.find('a')
            if link_tag:
                href = link_tag.get('href')
                # Add base URL to make full link
                full_link = f"https://oig.hhs.gov{href}"
                title = link_tag.get_text(strip=True)

                date_span = header.find('span', class_='text-base-dark')

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date = date_span.get_text(strip=True) if date_span else None

tag_elements = header.find_all('li', class_='usa-tag')
tags = [tag.get_text(strip=True) for tag in tag_elements]
tags_str = ', '.join(tags) if tags else None

enforcement_actions.append({
    'title': title,
    'link': full_link,
    'date': date,
    'tags': tags_str
})

# Create DataFrame
df = pd.DataFrame(enforcement_actions)
df.head()

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	title	link
0	Brooklyn Banker Pleads Guilty to Laundering Pr...	<a href="https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/brooklyn...">https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/brooklyn...</a>
1	Delafield Man Sentenced to 18 Months' Imprison...	<a href="https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/delafile...">https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/delafile...</a>
2	Former NFL Player Convicted for \$197M Medicare...	<a href="https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/former-n...">https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/former-n...</a>
3	AG's Office Secures Indictments Against Peabod...	<a href="https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/ags-offi...">https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/ags-offi...</a>
4	Florida Man Pleads Guilty to Conspiracy to Vio...	<a href="https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/florida-...">https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/florida-...</a>

## Step 2: Making the scraper dynamic

### 1. Turning the scraper into a function

- a. Pseudo-Code

FUNCTION scrape\_enforcement\_actions(year, month, run\_scraper=False):

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# Step 1: Input validation
IF year < 2013:
    PRINT "Error: Please use year >= 2013"
    RETURN

# Step 2: Check if we should run
IF run_scraper == False:
    PRINT "Scraper is disabled. Set run_scraper=True to execute."
    RETURN

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# Step 3: Calculate date range
start_date = create date from (year, month, 1)
end_date = today's date

# Step 4: Initialize collection
all_enforcement_actions = empty list
page_number = 1
base_url = "https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/"

# Step 5: Loop through pages until no more results
WHILE True:
    # Build URL with filters for date and page number
    url = base_url + "?date_from=YYYY-MM-DD&page=" + page_number

    # Fetch the page HTML
    response = GET request to url

    IF response fails:
        PRINT "Error fetching page"
        BREAK

    # Parse HTML
    soup = parse HTML from response

    # Find card group
    card_group = find ul with class 'usa-card-group'

    IF card_group is None OR card_group has no cards:
        PRINT "No more results found"
        BREAK # Exit the while loop - no more pages

    # Extract cards from this page
    cards = find all li with class 'usa-card' in card_group

    IF cards is empty:
        BREAK # No cards found, we're done

    # Step 6: Extract data from each card
    FOR each card in cards:
        header = find header in card
        IF header exists:
            heading = find h2 in header

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IF heading exists:
    link_tag = find a tag in heading
    IF link_tag exists:
        href = get href attribute
        full_link = base_url + href
        title = get text from link_tag

        date_span = find span with date
        date = get text from date_span

        # Check if date is within our range
        IF date >= start_date AND date <= end_date:
            tag_elements = find all li tags
            tags = extract text from tags

            ADD {title, link, date, tags} to
            all_enforcement_actions
        ELSE IF date < start_date:
            # We've gone past our date range, stop completely
            SET flag to exit outer loop
            BREAK from card loop

# Step 7: Check if we should continue to next page
IF we hit a date before start_date:
    BREAK # Stop pagination

# Step 8: Increment page and wait
page_number = page_number + 1
SLEEP for 1 second # Be polite to the server

# Step 9: Convert to DataFrame and save
df = create DataFrame from all_enforcement_actions
filename = f"enforcement_actions_{year}_{month}.csv"
SAVE df to filename

PRINT f"Scraped {len(df)} enforcement actions"
PRINT f"Saved to {filename}"

RETURN df

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- b. Create Dynamic Scraper

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def scrape_enforcement_actions(year, month, run_scraper=False):
    # Step 1: Input validation
    if year < 2013:
        print("Error: Please use year >= 2013. Only enforcement actions after
              ↵ 2013 are listed.")
        return None

    # Step 2: Check if we should run
    if not run_scraper:
        print("Scraper is disabled. Set run_scraper=True to execute.")
        return None

    # Step 3: Set up date range
    start_date = datetime(year, month, 1)
    end_date = datetime.now()
    start_date_str = start_date.strftime('%Y-%m-%d')

    print(f"Scraping enforcement actions from {start_date_str} to today...")

    # Step 4: Initialize collection
    all_enforcement_actions = []
    page_number = 1
    base_url = "https://oig.hhs.gov"
    search_url = f"{base_url}/fraud/enforcement/"
    earliest_date = None # Track the earliest date we encounter

    # Step 5: Loop through pages
    while True:
        # Build URL with date filter and pagination
        params_url =
        ↵ f"{search_url}?date_from={start_date_str}&page={page_number}"

        print(f"Fetching page {page_number}...")

        try:
            # Fetch the page
            response = requests.get(params_url)
            response.raise_for_status() # Raise error for bad status codes

        except requests.RequestException as e:
            print(f"Error fetching page {page_number}: {e}")
            break

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# Parse HTML
soup = BeautifulSoup(response.content, 'html.parser')

# Find card group
card_group = soup.find('ul', class_='usa-card-group')

if not card_group:
    print(f"No card group found on page {page_number}. Stopping.")
    break

# Extract cards from this page
cards = card_group.find_all('li', class_='usa-card')

if not cards:
    print(f"No cards found on page {page_number}. Stopping.")
    break

print(f"Found {len(cards)} cards on page {page_number}")

# Flag to track if we've gone past our date range
past_date_range = False

# Step 6: Extract data from each card
for card in cards:
    header = card.find('header', class_='usa-card__header')

    if header:
        heading = header.find('h2', class_='usa-card__heading')

        if heading:
            link_tag = heading.find('a')
            if link_tag:
                href = link_tag.get('href')
                full_link = f"{base_url}{href}"
                title = link_tag.get_text(strip=True)

                # Get date
                date_span = header.find('span',
                class_='text-base-dark')
                date_str = date_span.get_text(strip=True) if
                date_span else None

                if date_str:

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try:
    # Parse date (format: "February 3, 2026")
    card_date = datetime.strptime(date_str, '%B
    ↵ %d, %Y')

    # Update earliest date
    if earliest_date is None or card_date <
        ↵ earliest_date:
        earliest_date = card_date

    # Check if date is within our range
    if card_date >= start_date and card_date <=
        ↵ end_date:
        # Get tags
        tag_elements = header.find_all('li',
    ↵ class_='usa-tag')

    ↵ in tag_elements]
        tags = [tag.get_text(strip=True) for tag
        ↵ tags_str = ', '.join(tags) if tags else
    ↵ None

        # Add to collection
        all_enforcement_actions.append({
            'title': title,
            'link': full_link,
            'date': date_str,
            'tags': tags_str
        })

    elif card_date < start_date:
        # We've gone past our date range
        past_date_range = True
        break

    except ValueError:
        # If date parsing fails, skip this card
        print(f"Could not parse date: {date_str}")
        continue

# Step 7: Check if we should continue to next page
if past_date_range:
    break

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# Step 8: Increment page and wait
page_number += 1
time.sleep(1) # Be polite to the server

# Step 9: Convert to DataFrame and save
if not all_enforcement_actions:
    print("No enforcement actions found in the specified date range.")
    return None

df = pd.DataFrame(all_enforcement_actions)
filename = f"enforcement_actions_{year}_{month}.csv"
df.to_csv(filename, index=False)

print(f"\nScraped {len(df)} enforcement actions")
if earliest_date:
    print(f"Earliest date encountered: {earliest_date.strftime('%B %d,
        ↵ %Y')}")
print(f"Saved to {filename}")

return df

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df = scrape_enforcement_actions(2024, 1, run_scraper=True)
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Scraping enforcement actions from 2024-01-01 to today...  
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Scraped 1770 enforcement actions
Earliest date encountered: December 22, 2023
Saved to enforcement_actions_2024_1.csv
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It took 1770 enforcement actions and the earliest date it encountered was December 22, 2023, but it did not account for it.

- c. Test Your Code

Enforcements since January 2022

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df = scrape_enforcement_actions(2022, 1, run_scraper=True)
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Scraped 3360 enforcement actions  
Earliest date encountered: December 30, 2021

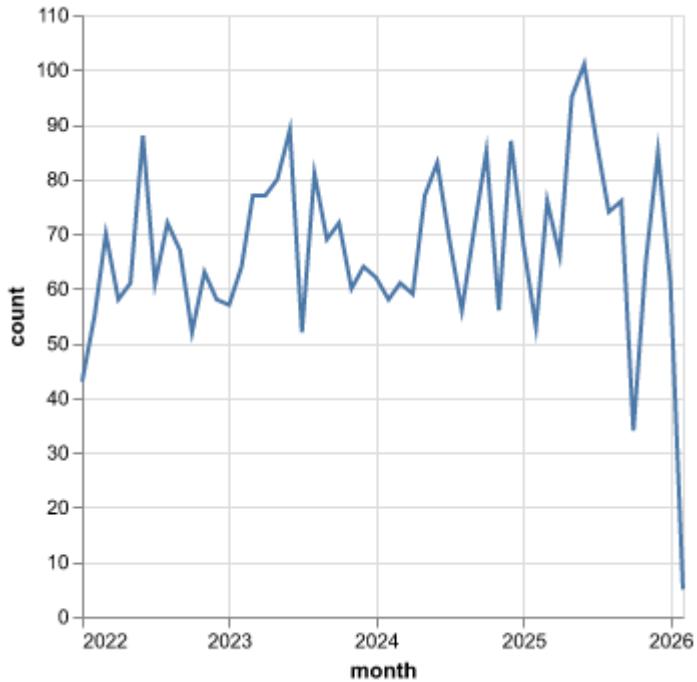
Saved to enforcement\_actions\_2022\_1.csv

It took 3360 enforcement actions and the earliest date it encountered was December 30, 2021, but it did not account for it.

### Step 3: Plot data based on scraped data

#### 1. Plot the number of enforcement actions over time

```
df =  
    pd.read_csv(r'C:\Users\Owner\Documents\Data_Vis\ps4-clschraw\enforcement_actions_2022_1.csv')  
df['date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['date'])  
df = df[df['date'] >= '2022-01-01']  
df['month'] = df['date'].dt.to_period('M').dt.to_timestamp()  
  
monthly = df.groupby('month').size().reset_index(name='count')  
  
chart = alt.Chart(monthly).mark_line().encode(  
    x=alt.X('month:T'),  
    y=alt.Y('count:Q')  
)  
chart.show()
```



## 2. Plot the number of enforcement actions categorized:

- based on “Criminal and Civil Actions” vs. “State Enforcement Agencies”

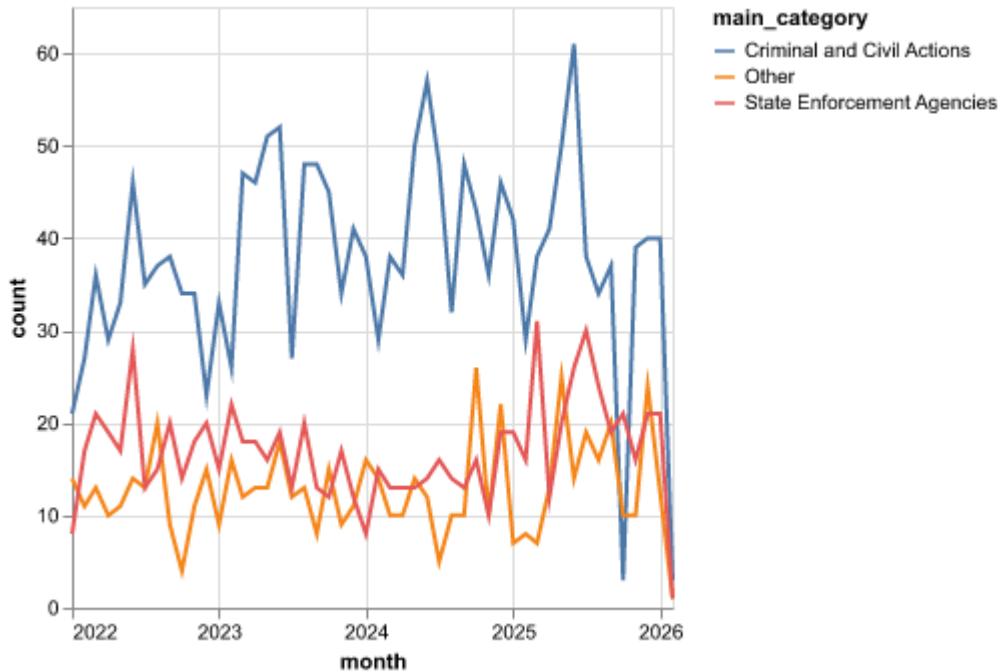
```
def classify_main_category(tags):
    tags = str(tags).lower()
    if 'state enforcement agencies' in tags:
        return 'State Enforcement Agencies'
    elif 'criminal and civil actions' in tags:
        return 'Criminal and Civil Actions'
    return 'Other'

df['main_category'] = df['tags'].apply(classify_main_category)

monthly_main = df.groupby(['month',
                           'main_category']).size().reset_index(name='count')

chart = alt.Chart(monthly_main).mark_line().encode(
    x=alt.X('month:T'),
    y=alt.Y('count:Q'),
    color=alt.Color('main_category:N')
```

```
chart.show()
```



- based on five topics

```

    return 'Drug Enforcement'

# Bribery/Corruption
elif any(word in title for word in ['bribery', 'bribe', 'corruption',
    'kickback', 'extortion']):
    return 'Bribery/Corruption'

# Financial Fraud
elif any(word in title for word in ['bank', 'financial', 'securities',
    'wire fraud', 'money laundering', 'fraud scheme', 'investment',
    'loan', 'mortgage', 'tax', 'embezzle']):
    return 'Financial Fraud'

# Other
else:
    return 'Other'

df['subtopic'] = df['title_lower'].apply(classify_subtopic)

# Aggregate by month and subtopic
monthly_subtopic = df.groupby(['month',
    'subtopic']).size().reset_index(name='count')

# Create chart
chart = alt.Chart(monthly_subtopic).mark_line().encode(
    x=alt.X('month:T'),
    y=alt.Y('count:Q'),
    color=alt.Color('subtopic:N')
)
chart.show()

```

