



Python 

Web scrape S&P 500 index data with BeautifulSoup & Requests

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Web scrape features of S&P 500 index companies

	Symbol	Company	Sector	Headquarter	Year First Added	Foundation
0	MMM	3M	Industrials	Minnesota	1976	1902
1	AOS	A. O. Smith	Industrials	Wisconsin	2017	1916
2	ABT	Abbott	Health Care	Illinois	1964	1888
3	ABBV	AbbVie	Health Care	Illinois	2012	1888
4	ABMD	Abiomed	Health Care	Massachusetts	2018	1981
...
498	YUM	Yum! Brands	Consumer Discretionary	Kentucky	1997	1997
499	ZBRA	Zebra Technologies	Information Technology	Illinois	2019	1969
500	ZBH	Zimmer Biomet	Health Care	Indiana	2001	1927
501	ZION	Zions Bancorporation	Financials	Utah	2001	1873
502	ZTS	Zoetis	Health Care	New Jersey	2013	1952

503 rows x 6 columns

Step 1:

Identify S&P 500 features of interest

S&P 500 index is a market-capitalization-weighted index of 503 leading publicly traded companies (stocks) in the U.S.. We'll web scrape these 6 (from 9) features for every stock

Head

Body

Symbol ↕	Security ↕	SEC filings ↕	GICS Sector ↕	GICS Sub-Industry ↕	Headquarters Location ↕	Date first added ↕	CIK ↕	Founded ↕
MMM ↗	3M	reports ↗	Industrials	Industrial Conglomerates	Saint Paul, Minnesota ↗	1976-08-09	0000066740	1902
AOS ↗	A. O. Smith	reports ↗	Industrials	Building Products	Milwaukee, Wisconsin ↗	2017-07-26	0000091142	1916
ABT ↗	Abbott	reports ↗	Health Care	Health Care Equipment	North Chicago, Illinois ↗	1964-03-31	0000001800	1888
ABBV ↗	AbbVie	reports ↗	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals	North Chicago, Illinois ↗	2012-12-31	0001551152	2013 (1888)
ABMD ↗	Abiomed	reports ↗	Health Care	Health Care Equipment	Danvers, Massachusetts ↗	2018-05-31	0000815094	1981
ACN ↗	Accenture	reports ↗	Information Technology	IT Consulting & Other Services	Dublin, Ireland ↗	2011-07-06	0001467373	1989
ATVI ↗	Activision Blizzard	reports ↗	Communication Services	Interactive Home Entertainment	Santa Monica, California ↗	2015-08-31	0000718877	2008
ADM ↗	ADM	reports ↗	Consumer Staples	Agricultural Products	Chicago, Illinois ↗	1981-07-29	0000007084	1902

Source: Wikipedia "List of S&P 500 companies"

Step 2:

Identify table inside html

We use *requests* library to read data from the page and *BeautifulSoup* library to convert this data to a certain object in order to work with HTML efficiently

```
▼ <table class="wikitable sortable jquery-tablesorter">
  ▶ <thead>...</thead>
  ▶ <tbody>...</tbody>
  <tfoot></tfoot>
</table>
```

The table is found using 'wikitable sortable' class

```
▼ <table class="wikitable sortable jquery-tablesorter">
  ▼ <thead>
    ▶ <tr>...</tr>
  </thead>
  ▼ <tbody>
    ▶ <tr>...</tr>
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    ▶ <tr>...</tr>
    ▶ <tr>...</tr>
    ▶ <tr>...</tr>
  </tbody>
```

As we see in the previous step, the table includes:

head: <thead> element
body: <tbody> element

every <tr> element
stands for a row of the
table

Step 3:

Understand <tr> element structure

Inside every <tr> element, there are <td> elements that refer to a feature (*white text*), but we are only interested in 6 features (order 0, 1, 3, 5, 6, 8)

```
0 —●— <tr>
      ● <td> == $0
      <a rel="nofollow" class="external text" href="https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:M
      MM">MMM</a>
      </td>
1 —●— <td>
      <a href="/wiki/3M" title="3M">3M</a>
      </td>
2 - - - - - ○ <td>...</td>
3 —●— <td>Industrials</td>
4 - - - - - ○ <td>Industrial Conglomerates</td>
5 —●— <td>
      <a href="/wiki/Saint Paul, Minnesota" title="Saint Paul, Minnesota">Saint Paul,
      Minnesota</a>
      </td>
6 —●— <td>1976-08-09</td>
7 - - - - - ○ <td>0000066740</td>
8 —●— <td>1902 </td>
      </tr>
```

Step 4:

Iterate over every row or <tr> element

The 6 features are web scraped from each row starting from the second one because the header is not considered

```
for row in tqdm(table.findAll('tr')[1:]):  
    ticker = row.findAll('td')[0].text  
    company = row.findAll('td')[1].text  
    industry = row.findAll('td')[3].text  
    headquarter = row.findAll('td')[5].text  
    date_1st_added = row.findAll('td')[6].text  
    year_founded = row.findAll('td')[8].text
```

Extracted data is stored in lists to be later converted to a dataframe

```
tickers.append(ticker)  
companies.append(company)  
industries.append(industry)  
headquarters.append(headquarter)  
dates_1st_added.append(date_1st_added)  
years_founded.append(year_founded)
```

Step 5:

Convert lists to dataframe

Lists containing extracted data are converted to a data frame by specifying the column names. Note that there are 503 stocks

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3	ABBV\n	AbbVie	Health Care	North Chicago, Illinois	2012-12-31	2013 (1888)\n
4	ABMD\n	Abiomed	Health Care	Danvers, Massachusetts	2018-05-31	1981\n
...
498	YUM\n	Yum! Brands	Consumer Discretionary	Louisville, Kentucky	1997-10-06	1997\n
499	ZBRA\n	Zebra Technologies	Information Technology	Lincolnshire, Illinois	2019-12-23	1969\n
500	ZBH\n	Zimmer Biomet	Health Care	Warsaw, Indiana	2001-08-07	1927\n
501	ZION\n	Zions Bancorporation	Financials	Salt Lake City, Utah	2001-06-22	1873\n
502	ZTS\n	Zoetis	Health Care	Parsippany, New Jersey	2013-06-21	1952\n
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Data cleaning

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