

Day 9: Recap of Courtlistener, Freebase homework, Parsing of fixed columns

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Agenda

- ▶ Homework from Day 4 Graded
- ▶ Reflecting on our Course
- ▶ Reflection on Brian Carver's Talk
- ▶ Knight News Challenge
- ▶ Time to Work on Homework and Projects
- ▶ Homework

Homework from Day 4 Graded

I've graded all the HW Day 4 notebooks (aka the 2nd assignment) that I've received and have posted the grades on bspace. Full marks = 8. I used the same basic scheme as I did for the first assignment (which was out of 4) but doubled the weight. I'm taking resubmissions until the end of this week – my big goal is to work with you to stay on track with the class materials.

Reminder of what I do in grading

- ▶ I glance through your notebook looking for the way you answered the questions.
- ▶ I clear all the results.
- ▶ I run the notebook.

Please don't alter the assertions/tests I run in. If you do, you must highlight the change you made and why.

I allow resubmissions because I want to encourage you to learn the material and because I do want dialog in the learning process.

Piazza Polls

- ▶ How difficult did you find the homework from Day 4?
- ▶ Are you looking for more challenge / discussion / links to resources than currently presented?

Reflection on Brian Carver's Talk from Day 8 (Friday)

Opening the Data of the U.S. Court Systems

<http://bit.ly/wwod13courtlister>

I'd like to pursue two lines of work with courtlistener: * building scrapers for our learning * correlate cases with the Wikipedia

Knight News Challenge – let's see what's happening

- ▶ FAQ
 - ▶ Submission (Feb. 19 - March 18)
 - ▶ Feedback (March 18 - March 29)
 - ▶ Refinement (March 29 - April 5)
 - ▶ Judging (April 5 - June)
- ▶ “Awards can be made for any amount - \$1,000 to \$1,000,000. Obviously large awards are less common than smaller ones, but you should apply for what you need.”
- ▶ Inspiration phase (Feb 12-19) just closed with 176 “inspirations”: <https://www.newschallenge.org/open/open-government/inspiration/>
- ▶ Submission phase open until March 18.

Projects

Project proposals deadline moved to March 8, 2013.

Homework

Account setup

For Thursday class:

- ▶ Create an account at English Wikipedia
- ▶ Create an account if you don't already have one at <https://dev.freebase.com/> and read <https://dev.freebase.com/>.