Section 14

Excel, Word, and PDF Documents

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1 Reading Excel Spreadsheets

The openpyxl module lets us modify Excel files using Python. It is a third party module that we'll need to install ourselves.

pip install openpyxl

The Excel document is called a workbook that is saved by .xlsx file extension. Each workbook contains sheets/worksheets. Inside each sheet there are columns (letters) and rows (numbers). The intersection of a column and row is called a cell.

```
import openpyxl,os
workbook=openpyxl.load_workbook("example.xlsx")
print(type(workbook))
print(workbook.get_sheet_names())
sheet=workbook.get_sheet_by_name("Sheet1")
```

```
print(type(sheet))
cell=sheet["A1"]
print(type(cell))
print(cell.value)
cell=sheet["B1"]
print(type(cell))
print(cell.value)
cell=sheet["C1"]
print(type(cell))
print(cell.value)
print(type(cell))
print(cell.value)
for i in range(1,8):
    print(i, sheet.cell(row=i, column=2).value)
<class 'openpyxl.workbook.workbook.Workbook'>
['Sheet1', 'Sheet2', 'Sheet3']
<class 'openpyxl.worksheet.worksheet'>
<class 'openpyxl.cell.cell.cell'>
2015-04-05 13:34:02
<class 'openpyxl.cell.cell.cell'>
Apples
<class 'openpyxl.cell.cell.cell'>
<class 'openpyxl.cell.cell.cell'>
73
1 Apples
2 Cherries
3 Pears
4 Oranges
```

```
5 Apples
```

- 6 Bananas
- 7 Strawberries

2 Editing Excel Spreadsheets

In the last lesson, we learned how to read .xlsx files. Now we will learn to create and modify them.

```
import openpyxl, os
wb=openpyxl.Workbook()
print(type(wb))
print(wb.get_sheet_names())
sheet=wb.get_sheet_by_name("Sheet")
print(sheet)
print(sheet["A1"].value)
sheet["A1"]=42
sheet["A2"]="Hello"
print(sheet["A1"].value)
wb.save("example1.xlsx")
sheet2=wb.create_sheet()
print(wb.get_sheet_names())
sheet2.title="My New Sheet Name"
print(wb.get_sheet_names())
wb.save("example2.xlsx")
wb.create_sheet(index=0, title="My Other Sheet")
# This changes the position of the new sheet
```

```
wb.save("example3.xlsx")

<class 'openpyxl.workbook.workbook.Workbook'>
['Sheet']
<Worksheet "Sheet">
None
42
['Sheet', 'Sheet1']
['Sheet', 'My New Sheet Name']
```