'Scraping Flipkart for Product Details using Python'



What is web scraping?

'Web Scraping' is the process of extracting data from the web automatically. Web scraping extracts underlying HTML code and the data stored in a database.

This extracted data can be saved in a structured format in the the form of a CSV or JSON file and also in other formats

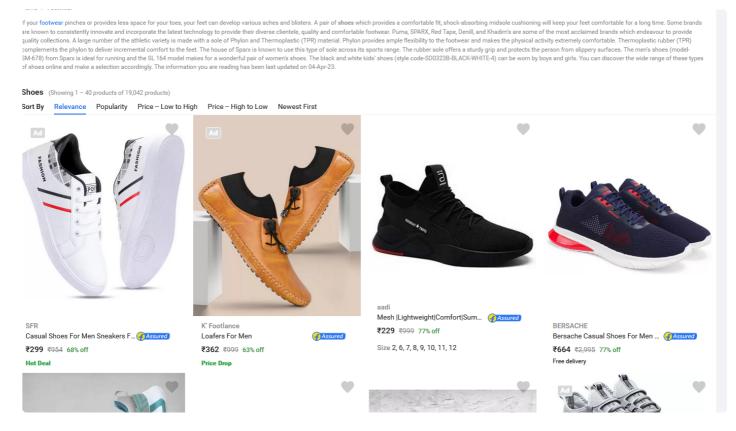
1. Flipkart.

Flipkart Private Limited is an Indian e-commerce company, headquartered in Bengaluru, and incorporated in Singapore as a private limited company. The company initially focused on online book sales before expanding into other product categories such as consumer electronics, fashion, home essentials, groceries, and lifestyle products.



Objective:

To scrape the data of shoes by parsing the information from this website in the form of Tabular data.



Outline of the project:

- 1.Installing required libraries.
- 2. Download webpages using requests library, to parse and extract information use Beautiful Soup library and Accessing information such as shoe name, description, price and url.
- 3. Storing the extracted data into a dictionary.
- 4. Compiling all the data into a DataFrame using Pandas and saving the data into CSV file.

By the end of the project we'll create DataFrame in the following format:

	Title	price	description	link
0	density	₹1,999	Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/density-running-shoes-men
1	CAMPUS	₹1,799	FIRST Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/campus-first-running-shoe
2	SFR	₹998	FAST Trenddy Tainer Lace-ups Sporty Casuals Ru	https://flipkart.com/sfr-fast-trenddy-tainer-l
3	World Wear Footwear	₹998	Exclusive Affordable Collection of Trendy & St	https://flipkart.com/world-wear-footwear-exclu
4	SFR	₹715	2006 Trenddy Fashion Sporty Casuals Sneakers R	https://flipkart.com/sfr-2006-trenddy-fashion
115	WOODLAND	₹4,195	Casuals For Men	https://flipkart.com/woodland-casuals-men/p/it
116	CAMPUS	₹1,799	STREET-RUN Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/campus-street-run-running
117	CAMPUS	₹3,499	REE-FLECT (N) Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/campus-ree-flect-n-runnin
118	WAAN	₹1,999	Walking Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/waan-walking-shoes-men/p/
119	Sparx	₹1,449	SM-484 Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/sparx-sm-484-running-shoe

120 rows × 4 columns

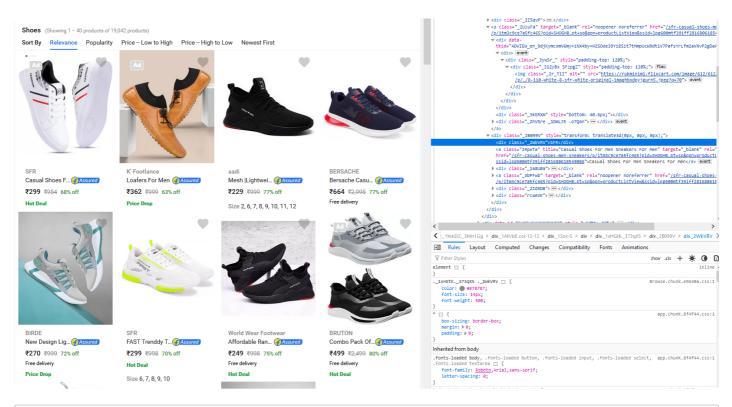
1.Installing required libraries.

```
#Installing requests library.
!pip install requests --upgrade --quiet
import requests
```

```
# Installing pandas
!pip install pandas --quiet
import pandas as pd
```

```
# Installing beautifulsoup4
!pip install beautifulsoup4 --upgrade --quiet
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
```

2.Download webpage using requests libtary, to parse and extract information use Beautiful Soup library and Accessing information such as shoe name, description, price and url.



```
def get_title(doc):
    product_name = []
    selection_class = '_2WkVRV'
    title_tags = doc.find_all('div', {'class' : selection_class})
    for i in title_tags:
        product_name.append(i.text)
    return product_name
```

```
def get_price(doc):
    product_price = []
    price_selector = '_3I9_wc'
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```
price_tags = doc.find_all('div',{'class' : price_selector})
for i in price_tags:
    product_price.append(i.text)
return product_price
```

```
def get_description(doc):
    shoe_description = []
    desc_selector = 'IRpwTa'
    description_tags = doc.find_all('a', {'class' : desc_selector})
    for i in description_tags:
        shoe_description.append(i.text)
    return shoe_description
```

```
def get_link(doc):
    shoe_urls = []
    link_tags = doc.find_all('a', {'class' :'_2UzuFa' })
    for i in link_tags:
        base_url = 'https://flipkart.com'
        shoe_urls.append(base_url+ i['href'])
    return shoe_urls
```

3. Storing the extracted data into a dictionary.

```
def get_all_details(page_number):
   page_number = input('enter the number of pages')
   diction = {'title':[],'price':[],'desc':[],'links':[]}
    for i in range(1,int(page_number)+1):
          #Url of the webpage that we are scrapping.
       url = 'https://www.flipkart.com/q/shoes?page=' + str(i)
          #We use requests.get to download the content from a webpage
        response = requests.get(url)
       page_content = response.text# Converting the page to Beautiful soup document u
        doc = BeautifulSoup( page_content, 'html.parser')
        #using get_title function to extract title
        diction['title'].extend(get_title(doc))
        #using get_price function to extract price
        diction['price'].extend(get_price(doc))
        #using get_description function to extract description
        diction['desc'].extend(get_description(doc))
        #using get_link function to extract link
        diction['links'].extend(get_link(doc))
    return diction
```

4. Compiling all the data into a DataFrame using Pandas and saving the data into CSV file.

```
shoe_df = pd.DataFrame(get_all_details(3))
shoe_df
```

enter the number of pages3

	title	price	desc	links
0	CAMPUS	₹1,799	FIRST Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/campus-first-running- shoe
1	TR	₹1,499	Casual Shoes Caual Sneakers White Sneakers F	https://flipkart.com/tr-casual-shoes-caual- sne
2	aadi	₹999	Mesh Lightweight Comfort Summer Trendy Walkin	https://flipkart.com/aadi-mesh-lightweight- com
3	aadi	₹1,999	Synthetic Leather Lightweight Comfort Summer	https://flipkart.com/aadi-synthetic-leather-li
4	BRUTON	₹1,299	Trendy Sports Running Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/bruton-trendy-sports- runn
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115	ADIDAS	₹5,999	EvolveRun M Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/adidas-evolverun-m- runnin
116	CAMPUS	₹1,699	NORTH PLUS Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/campus-north-plus- running
117	BERSACHE	₹4,995	Bersache Sports Shoes For Men Light Grey For R	https://flipkart.com/bersache-sports-shoes- men
118	Asics	₹3,999	GEL-GALAXY 8B Running Shoes For Men	https://flipkart.com/asics-gel-galaxy-8b- runni
119	aadi	₹1,999	Mesh Lightweight Comfort Summer Trendy Walkin	https://flipkart.com/aadi-mesh-lightweight- com

120 rows × 4 columns

```
shoe_df.to_csv('shoes'+'.csv', index=None)
```

Summary

- The Scraping was done using Python libraries such as Requests, beautifulsoup4 for extracting the data.
- Scraping the data of the shoes such as name, price, description and link.
- Parsed all the scraped data into a csv file containing 120 rows and 4 columns.

Future work

- Extracting more details of the shoe.
- · Code optimization
- Improving the documentation part of the project.

References

• https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RKsLLG-bzEY

- https://www.flipkart.com/
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flipkart