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Welcome Ziw ei Zhang from Using Python to Access Web Data

## Extracting Data from JSON

In this assignment you will write a Python program somewhat similar to <http://www.py4e.com/code3/json2.py>. The program will prompt for a URL, read the JSON data from that URL using **urllib** and then parse and extract the comment counts from the JSON data, compute the sum of the numbers in the file and enter the sum below :

We provide two files for this assignment. One is a sample file where we give you the sum for your testing and the other is the actual data you need to process for the assignment.

- Sample data: [http://py4e-data.dr-chuck.net/comments\\_42.json](http://py4e-data.dr-chuck.net/comments_42.json) (Sum=2553)
- Actual data: [http://py4e-data.dr-chuck.net/comments\\_346110.json](http://py4e-data.dr-chuck.net/comments_346110.json) (Sum ends with 43)

You do not need to save these files to your folder since your program will read the data directly from the URL.

**Note:** Each student will have a distinct data url for the assignment - so only use your own data url for analysis.

## Data Format

The data consists of a number of names and comment counts in JSON as follows:

```
{
  comments: [
    {
      name: "Matthias"
      count: 97
    },
    {
      name: "Geomer"
      count: 97
    }
    ...
  ]
}
```

The closest sample code that shows how to parse JSON and extract a list is [json2.py](#). You might also want to look at [geoxml.py](#) to see how to prompt for a URL and retrieve data from a URL.

## Sample Execution

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```
$ python3 solution.py
Enter location: http://py4e-data.dr-chuck.net/comments_42.json
Retrieving http://py4e-data.dr-chuck.net/comments_42.json
Retrieved 2733 characters
Count: 50
Sum: 2...
```

### Turning in the Assignment

Enter the sum from the actual data and your Python code below :

Sum:  (ends with 43)

Python code: