

WEB SCRAPING JOB LISTINGS FROM INDEED

A Data Extraction and Analysis Project



INTRODUCTION

- **What is Web Scraping?**
Automated extraction of data from websites using tools like Python and BeautifulSoup.
- **Why Scrape Job Listings?**
Analyze job market trends, salary data, hiring companies, and in-demand skills.
- **Indeed as a Source**
A leading global job search engine with millions of job listings, making it an ideal platform for gathering valuable job market data.
- **Project Goal**
Scrape job listings for specific roles (e.g., "Data Analyst") in defined locations (e.g., "Mumbai") to gather details like job titles, company names, salaries, and job descriptions.

PROJECT GOAL OBJECTIVE

➤ Objective:

- Extract data from Indeed to understand trends in the job market.
- Focused on **Data analyst roles** in a specific location (eg. Mumbai).

➤ Key Data Points to Collect:

- **Job Titles:** Software Engineer, Data Scientist, etc.
- **Company Names:** Companies hiring in the field.
- **Salary Information:** If available, ranges and estimates.
- **Location:** City and state or remote.
- **Skills:** Key skills mentioned in the job descriptions.

TOOLS AND TECHNOLOGIES USED

- **BeautifulSoup:** Parsing HTML content to extract relevant job data (titles, companies, locations).
 - i. Provides methods like `find()` and `find_all()` to locate specific HTML tags or content.
- **Selenium:** Handling dynamic content on the Indeed website that loads through JavaScript Key Features:
 - i. Automates web browser interactions (scrolling, clicking).
- **Pandas:** Used for data manipulation, cleaning, and storing scraped job data in a structured format
 - i. Powerful DataFrame structure for handling large datasets.
 - ii. Functions for cleaning and transforming data (e.g., handling missing values).
- **CSV:** Stores cleaned job data in a CSV file for easy export and further analysis.
 - i. Lightweight format for data storage.

```
from selenium import webdriver
from selenium.webdriver.chrome.service import Service
from webdriver_manager.chrome import ChromeDriverManager
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
import requests
```

Python

```
import pandas as pd
df = pd.DataFrame(records)
```

```
df.to_csv('Indeed Job Oppurtunities.csv')
```

SCRAPING WORKFLOW

➤ Sending Requests

- i. Used **Requests** to send HTTP requests and retrieve raw HTML pages from Indeed.
- ii. **Pagination Handling:** Handled multiple pages of job listings by iterating through page numbers.

➤ Parsing HTML with BeautifulSoup

- i. Used **BeautifulSoup** to parse the raw HTML and extract specific job-related data (e.g., titles, companies, salaries).
- ii. **Data Extraction:** Targeted elements like `<div>`, ``, and `<a>` to get job title, company name, and location.

➤ Handling Dynamic Content with Selenium

- i. Used **Selenium** to handle dynamic job listings that load through JavaScript (infinite scrolling).
- ii. Automated scrolling to load more job listings or clicked "Next" buttons

```
def get_url(position, location):
    template = 'https://in.indeed.com/jobs?q={}&l={}+Maharashtra&ts=1733471415842&pts=173340014'
    url=template.format(position,location)
    return url
```

python

```
url= get_url('Data Analyst','Mumbai')
```

python

```
service = Service(ChromeDriverManager().install())
driver = webdriver.Chrome(service=service)
```

python

+ Code

+ Markdown

```
driver.get(url)
```

python

```
cards= soup.find_all('div','job_seen_beacon')
print(cards)
```

```
[<div class="job_seen_beacon"><table cellpadding="0" cellspacing="0" class="mainConten
```

```
soup = BeautifulSoup(driver.page_source, "html.parser")
```

DATA CLEANING & PROCESSING

- **Data Cleaning:**
- Removed irrelevant fields (e.g., unnecessary HTML tags).
- **Handled Missing Data:** Replaced or removed incomplete job entries (e.g., missing salary or location).
- **Standardization:** Standardized job titles, locations, and salary formats.
- **Extracting Job Data:** Loop through each job listing to extract:
 - Job title (<a> tag with the title attribute).
 - Company name (tag with class 'company').
 - Location (<div> tag with class 'location').
- **Storing Data:** Save the data into a structured DataFrame using pandas.DataFrame().
- Write the DataFrame to a CSV file using df.to_csv().

```
def get_record(card):  
    atag= card.h2.a.span  
    job_title= atag.get('title')  
    a_tag_url= card.h2.a  
    job_url = 'http://indeed.com' + a_tag_url.get('href')  
    company_name =card.find('span','css-1h7lukg eu4oa1w0').text  
    job_location= card.find('div','css-1restlb eu4oa1w0').text  
    salary= card.find('div', 'css-18z4q2i eu4oa1w0')  
  
    if salary:  
        salary = salary.text.strip()  
  
        # If salary contains "Full time", replace it with "Not Provided"  
        if "Full-time" in salary:  
            salary = "Not Provided"  
    else:  
        salary = "Not Provided"  
  
    record= (job_title,job_url,company_name,job_location,salary)  
  
    return record
```

```
import pandas as pd  
df = pd.DataFrame(records)
```

```
df.to_csv('Indeed Job Opportunities.csv')
```

CHALLENGES & SOLUTIONS

➤ Understanding Website Structure:

- Identifying the correct HTML tags and elements for extracting job-related data (such as titles, locations, and salaries) was challenging due to the website's complex and sometimes inconsistent HTML structure.
- **Solution:** Used advanced techniques like **CSS selectors** queries to pinpoint the relevant tags, ensuring accurate data extraction despite structural variations.

➤ Handling Missing Data:

- Many job listings had missing or incomplete information, such as missing salary details,, which impacted the completeness of the dataset.
- **Solution:** Implemented **placeholders** for missing data (e.g., "Not Provided" for missing salary) ensuring consistency and avoiding gaps in the dataset.

➤ Limited Data Collection for Demonstration:

- To ensure the scraping process was manageable and to avoid overloading the website, the data collection was **restricted** to a small sample of job listings for demonstration purposes.

```
# If salary contains "Full time", replace it with "Not Provided"
if "Full-time" in salary:
    salary = "Not Provided"
else:
    salary = "Not Provided"
```

```
records[14]
```

```
('Data Analyst',
 'http://indeed.com/rc/clk?jk=9d2cfc7268a25b8c&bb=gbDQkAy6Ta
 'Source Retail Private Limited',
 'Grant Road, Mumbai, Maharashtra',
 '₹20,000 - ₹25,000 a month')
```

THANK YOU
