Web Scraping Lab

Estimated time needed: 30 minutes

Objectives

After completing this lab you will be able to:

For this lab, we are going to be using Python and several Python libraries. Some of these libraries might be installed in your lab environment or in SN Labs. Others may need to be installed by you. The cells below will install these libraries when executed.

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Import the required modules and functions

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from bs4 import BeautifulSoup # this module helps in web scrapping. import requests # this module helps us to download a web page
```

Beautiful Soup is a Python library for pulling data out of HTML and XML files, we will focus on HTML files. This is accomplished by representing the HTML as a set of objects with methods used to parse the HTML. We can navigate the HTML as a tree and/or filter out what we are looking for.

Consider the following HTML:

```
%%html
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<title>Page Title</title>
</head>
<body>
<h3><b id='boldest'>Lebron James</b></h3>
 Salary: $ 92,000,000 
<h3> Stephen Curry</h3>
 Salary: $85,000, 000 
<h3> Kevin Durant </h3>
 Salary: $73,200, 000
</body>
</html>
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```

We can store it as a string in the variable HTML:

```
html="<!DOCTYPE html><html><head><title>Page
Title</title></head><body><h3><b id='boldest'>Lebron James</b></h3>Salary: $ 92,000,000 <h3> Stephen Curry</h3> Salary: $85,000,
000 <h3> Kevin Durant </h3> Salary: $73,200,
000</body></html>"
```

To parse a document, pass it into the BeautifulSoup constructor, the BeautifulSoup object, which represents the document as a nested data structure:

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

First, the document is converted to Unicode, (similar to ASCII), and HTML entities are converted to Unicode characters. Beautiful Soup transforms a complex HTML document into a complex tree of Python objects. The Beautiful Soup object can create other types of objects. In this lab, we will cover Beautiful Soup and Tag objects that for the purposes of this lab are identical, and Navigable String objects.

We can use the method prettify() to display the HTML in the nested structure:

```
print(soup.prettify())
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>
   Page Title
  </title>
 </head>
 <body>
  <h3>
   <br/>b id="boldest">
    Lebron James
   </b>
  </h3>
  >
  Salary: $ 92,000,000
  <h3>
   Stephen Curry
  </h3>
  >
  Salary: $85,000, 000
  <h3>
  Kevin Durant
  </h3>
  >
   Salary: $73,200, 000
  </body>
</html>
```

Tags

Let's say we want the title of the page and the name of the top paid player we can use the Tag. The Tag object corresponds to an HTML tag in the original document, for example, the tag title.

```
tag_object=soup.title
print("tag object:",tag_object)
```

```
tag object: <title>Page Title</title>
```

we can see the tag type bs4.element.Tag

```
print("tag object type:",type(tag_object))
tag object type: <class 'bs4.element.Tag'>
```

If there is more than one Tag with the same name, the first element with that Tag name is called, this corresponds to the most paid player:

```
tag_object=soup.h3
tag_object
<h3><b id="boldest">Lebron James</b></h3>
```

Enclosed in the bold attribute b, it helps to use the tree representation. We can navigate down the tree using the child attribute to get the name.

Children, Parents, and Siblings

As stated above the Tag object is a tree of objects we can access the child of the tag or navigate down the branch as follows:

```
tag_child =tag_object.b
tag_child
<b id="boldest">Lebron James</b>
```

You can access the parent with the parent

```
parent_tag=tag_child.parent
parent_tag
<h3><b id="boldest">Lebron James</b></h3>
```

this is identical to

```
tag_object
<h3><b id="boldest">Lebron James</b></h3>
```

tag_object parent is the body element.

```
tag_object.parent
<body><h3><b id="boldest">Lebron James</b></h3> Salary: $
92,000,000 <h3> Stephen Curry</h3> Salary: $85,000, 000
<h3> Kevin Durant </h3> Salary: $73,200, 000</body>
```

tag_object sibling is the paragraph element

```
sibling_1=tag_object.next_sibling
sibling_1
 Salary: $ 92,000,000
```

sibling_2 is the header element which is also a sibling of both sibling_1 and
tag object

```
sibling_2=sibling_1.next_sibling
sibling_2
<h3> Stephen Curry</h3>
```

Using the object sibling_2 and the property next_sibling to find the salary of Stephen Curry:

```
sibling_2.next_sibling
 Salary: $85,000, 000
```

HTML Attributes

If the tag has attributes, the tag id="boldest" has an attribute id whose value is boldest. You can access a tag's attributes by treating the tag like a dictionary:

```
tag_child['id']
'boldest'
```

You can access that dictionary directly as attrs:

```
tag_child.attrs
{'id': 'boldest'}
```

You can also work with Multi-valued attribute check out [1] for more.

We can also obtain the content if the attribute of the tag using the Python get() method.

```
tag_child.get('id')
'boldest'
```

Navigable String

A string corresponds to a bit of text or content within a tag. Beautiful Soup uses the NavigableString class to contain this text. In our HTML we can obtain the name of the first player by extracting the sting of the Tag object tag_child as follows:

```
tag_string=tag_child.string
tag_string
'Lebron James'
```

we can verify the type is Navigable String

```
type(tag_string)
bs4.element.NavigableString
```

A NavigableString is just like a Python string or Unicode string, to be more precise. The main difference is that it also supports some BeautifulSoup features. We can covert it to sting object in Python:

```
unicode_string = str(tag_string)
unicode_string
'Lebron James'
```

Filters allow you to find complex patterns, the simplest filter is a string. In this section we will pass a string to a different filter method and Beautiful Soup will perform a match against that exact string. Consider the following HTML of rocket launchs:

```
%%html
Flight No
  Launch site
  Payload mass
 1
  <a
href='https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida'>Florida</a>
  300 kq
 2
  <a href='https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texas'>Texas</a>
  94 kg
 3
  <a href='https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida'>Florida<a>
80 kg
```

```
<IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

We can store it as a string in the variable table:

find All

The find_all() method looks through a tag's descendants and retrieves all descendants that match your filters.

Name

When we set the name parameter to a tag name, the method will extract all the tags with that name and its children.

```
table_rows=table_bs.find_all('tr')
table_rows

[Flight NoLaunch sitePayload
mass,
     ,
     ! !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
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     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !*,
     !!,
     !!,
     !!,
     !!,
     !!,
     !!,
     !!,
     !!,
     !!,
     !!,
     !!,
!

*
```

The result is a Python Iterable just like a list, each element is a tag object:

```
first_row =table_rows[0]
first_row
Flight NoLaunch sitePayload
mass
```

The type is tag

```
print(type(first_row))
<class 'bs4.element.Tag'>
```

we can obtain the child

```
first_row.td
Flight No
```

If we iterate through the list, each element corresponds to a row in the table:

As row is a cell object, we can apply the method find_all to it and extract table cells in the object cells using the tag td, this is all the children with the name td. The result is a list, each element corresponds to a cell and is a Tag object, we can iterate through this list as well. We can extract the content using the string attribute.

```
for i,row in enumerate(table_rows):
    print("row",i)
    cells=row.find_all('td')
    for j,cell in enumerate(cells):
        print('colunm',j,"cell",cell)

row 0
colunm 0 cell Flight No
colunm 1 cell >Launch site
colunm 2 cell >Launch site
colunm 2 cell >Payload mass
row 1
colunm 0 cell >Launch site
colunm 1 cell >Launch site
colunm 2 cell >Launch site
colunm 2 cell >Launch site
row 1
colunm 0 cell >Launch site
colunm 1 cell >Launch site
colunm 2 cell >Launch site
colunm 3 cell >Launch site
colunm site
colunm 3 cell >Launch site
colunm site
colunm site
colunm site
colunm site
column site</
```

```
colunm 0 cell 2
colunm 1 cell 2
colunm 1 cell 4d><a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texas">Texas</a>
colunm 2 cell 94 kg
colunm 2 cell 4d><a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a> </a></d>
colunm 1 cell 4d><a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a> </a></d>
colunm 2 cell 80 kg
</d>
</d>
</d>
</d>
</d>
```

If we use a list we can match against any item in that list.

```
list input=table bs .find all(name=["tr", "td"])
list input
[Flight NoLaunch site Payload
mass,
Flight No,
Launch site,
Payload mass,
 1<a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a></a><t
d>300 kg,
1,
<a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a></a></d>,
300 kg,
2a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texas">Texas</a>94
kq,
2,
<a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texas">Texas</a>,
94 kg,
3a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a>
</a></a>80 kg,
3.
<a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a>
</a></a>,
80 kg]
```

Attributes

If the argument is not recognized it will be turned into a filter on the tag's attributes. For example the id argument, Beautiful Soup will filter against each tag's id attribute. For example, the first td elements have a value of id of flight, therefore we can filter based on that id value.

```
table_bs.find_all(id="flight")
```

```
[Flight No]
```

We can find all the elements that have links to the Florida Wikipedia page:

If we set the href attribute to True, regardless of what the value is, the code finds all tags with href value:

There are other methods for dealing with attributes and other related methods; Check out the following link

Using the logic above, find all the elements without href value

```
table bs.find all(href=False)
Payload mass 1a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a></a><t
d>300 kg2</a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texas">Texas</a>94
kg3<a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a>
</a></a>80 kg,
Flight NoLaunch site Payload
mass,
Flight No,
Launch site,
Payload mass,
 1<a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a></a><t
d>300 \text{ kg},
1,
<a
href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Florida">Florida<a></a></d>,
<a></a>,
300 kg,
2a
```

Using the soup object soup, find the element with the id attribute content set to "boldest".

```
soup.find_all(id="boldest")
[<b id="boldest">Lebron James</b>]
```

string

With string you can search for strings instead of tags, where we find all the elments with Florida:

```
table_bs.find_all(string="Florida")
['Florida', 'Florida']
```

find

The find_all() method scans the entire document looking for results, it's if you are looking for one element you can use the find() method to find the first element in the document. Consider the following two table:

```
2
 Texas
 94 kg
3
 Florida 
 80 kq
>
<h3>Pizza Party </h3>
Pizza Place
 0rders
 Slices 
 Domino's Pizza
 10
 100
Little Caesars
 12
 144 
Papa John's 
 15 
 165
<IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

We store the HTML as a Python string and assign two_tables:

We create a BeautifulSoup object two_tables_bs

```
two_tables_bs= BeautifulSoup(two_tables, 'html.parser')
```

We can find the first table using the tag name table

We can filter on the class attribute to find the second table, but because class is a keyword in Python, we add an underscore.

```
two_tables_bs.find("table",class_='pizza')
Pizza Place0rders>Slices 10Pizza1010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010101010</t
```

We Download the contents of the web page:

```
url = "http://www.ibm.com"
```

We use get to download the contents of the webpage in text format and store in a variable called data:

```
data = requests.get(url).text
```

We create a BeautifulSoup object using the BeautifulSoup constructor

```
soup = BeautifulSoup(data, "html.parser") # create a soup object using
the variable 'data'
```

Scrape all links

```
for link in soup.find all('a',href=True): # in html anchor/link is
represented by the tag <a>
    print(link.get('href'))
https://www.ibm.com/sports/grammys/
#ibm-hp--tech-section
https://www.ibm.com/consulting/?lnk=ushpv18intro2
https://www.ibm.com/about
https://www.ibm.com/consulting/?lnk=flathl
https://www.ibm.com/consulting/strategy/?lnk=flathl
https://www.ibm.com/consulting/ibmix?lnk=flathl
https://www.ibm.com/consulting/technology/
https://www.ibm.com/consulting/operations/?lnk=flathl
https://www.ibm.com/strategic-partnerships
https://www.ibm.com/employment/?lnk=flatitem
https://www.ibm.com/impact
https://research.ibm.com/
https://www.ibm.com/
```

Scrape all images Tags

```
for link in soup.find all('img'):# in html image is represented by the
tag <img>
    print(link)
    print(link.get('src'))
<img alt="Person standing with arms crossed" aria-describedby="bx--</pre>
image-1" class="bx--image img"
src="https://l.dam.s81c.com/p/0a23e414312bcb6f/08196d0e04260ae5 croppe
d.jpg.global.sr 16x9.jpg"/>
https://l.dam.s81c.com/p/0a23e414312bcb6f/08196d0e04260ae5 cropped.jpg
.global.sr_16x9.jpg
<img alt="Team members at work in a conference room" aria-</pre>
describedby="bx--image-2" class="bx--image img"
src="https://l.dam.s81c.com/p/06655c075aa3aa29/Cait0ppermann 2019 12 0
6 IBMGarage DSC3304.jpg.global.m 16x9.jpg"/>
https://l.dam.s81c.com/p/06655c075aa3aa29/CaitOppermann 2019 12 06 IBM
Garage DSC3304.jpg.global.m 16x9.jpg
<img alt="Coworkers looking at laptops" aria-describedby="bx--image-3"</pre>
class="bx--image img"
src="https://l.dam.s81c.com/p/08f951353c2707b8/052022 CaitOppermann In
sideIBM London 2945 03.jpg.global.sr 16x9.jpg"/>
https://l.dam.s81c.com/p/08f951353c2707b8/052022 CaitOppermann InsideI
BM London 2945 03.jpg.global.sr 16x9.jpg
<imq alt="Cloud developer with red sweater coding at desk" aria-</pre>
describedby="bx--image-4" class="bx--image img"
src="https://l.dam.s81c.com/p/064e0139f5a3aa5e/0500002 Lowell LI 10011
9.jpg.global.sr 16x9.jpg"/>
https://l.dam.s81c.com/p/064e0139f5a3aa5e/0500002 Lowell LI 100119.jpg
```

```
.global.sr_16x9.jpg
<img alt="Aerial view of automated conveyer belt and machinery at
work" aria-describedby="bx--image-5" class="bx--image__img"
src="https://l.dam.s8lc.com/p/0795cae91a25156f/conveyorrobottopview.jp
g.global.sr_16x9.jpg"/>
https://l.dam.s8lc.com/p/0795cae91a25156f/conveyorrobottopview.jpg.glo
bal.sr_16x9.jpg
<img alt="Overhead view of partners collaborating on design with
laptops and coffee" aria-describedby="bx--image-6" class="bx--
image__img" src="https://l.dam.s8lc.com/p/06dfa9ccdba4ec79/1f417900-
9042-44d1-9c219a854bbb62ea.jpg.global.sr_16x9.jpg"/>
https://l.dam.s8lc.com/p/06dfa9ccdba4ec79/1f417900-9042-44d1-
9c219a854bbb62ea.jpg.global.sr_16x9.jpg
```

Scrape data from HTML tables

```
#The below url contains an html table with data about colors and color
codes.

url = "https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-
storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DA0321EN-SkillsNetwork/labs/datasets/
HTMLColorCodes.html"
```

Before proceeding to scrape a web site, you need to examine the contents, and the way data is organized on the website. Open the above url in your browser and check how many rows and columns are there in the color table.

```
# get the contents of the webpage in text format and store in a
variable called data
data = requests.get(url).text
soup = BeautifulSoup(data, "html.parser")
#find a html table in the web page
table = soup.find('table') # in html table is represented by the tag
#Get all rows from the table
for row in table.find all('tr'): # in html table row is represented by
the tag 
   # Get all columns in each row.
   cols = row.find all('td') # in html a column is represented by the
tag 
    color_name = cols[2].string # store the value in column 3 as
color name
    color code = cols[3].string # store the value in column 4 as
```

```
color code
    print("{}--->{}".format(color name,color code))
Color Name--->None
lightsalmon--->#FFA07A
salmon--->#FA8072
darksalmon--->#E9967A
lightcoral--->#F08080
coral - - -> #FF7F50
tomato - - -> #FF6347
orangered --->#FF4500
gold--->#FFD700
orange--->#FFA500
darkorange--->#FF8C00
liahtvellow--->#FFFFE0
lemonchiffon--->#FFFACD
papayawhip--->#FFEFD5
moccasin--->#FFE4B5
peachpuff--->#FFDAB9
palegoldenrod--->#EEE8AA
khaki--->#F0E68C
darkkhaki--->#BDB76B
yellow--->#FFFF00
lawngreen--->#7CFC00
chartreuse--->#7FFF00
limegreen--->#32CD32
lime--->#00FF00
forestgreen--->#228B22
green--->#008000
powderblue--->#B0E0E6
lightblue--->#ADD8E6
lightskyblue--->#87CEFA
skvblue--->#87CEEB
deepskyblue--->#00BFFF
lightsteelblue--->#B0C4DE
dodgerblue--->#1E90FF
```

Scrape data from HTML tables into a DataFrame using BeautifulSoup and Pandas

```
import pandas as pd
#The below url contains html tables with data about world population.
url = "https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_population"
```

Before proceeding to scrape a web site, you need to examine the contents, and the way data is organized on the website. Open the above url in your browser and check the tables on the webpage.

```
# get the contents of the webpage in text format and store in a
variable called data

data = requests.get(url).text
soup = BeautifulSoup(data,"html.parser")
#find all html tables in the web page
tables = soup.find_all('table') # in html table is represented by the
tag 
# we can see how many tables were found by checking the length of the
tables list
len(tables)
24
```

Assume that we are looking for the 10 most densly populated countries table, we can look through the tables list and find the right one we are look for based on the data in each table or we can search for the table name if it is in the table but this option might not always work.

```
for index,table in enumerate(tables):
    if ("10 most densely populated countries" in str(table)):
        table_index = index
print(table_index)
```

See if you can locate the table name of the table, 10 most densly populated countries, below.

```
print(tables[table_index].prettify())
<caption>
 10 most densely populated countries
 <small>
  (with population above 5 million)
 </small>
 <sup class="reference" id="cite ref-:10 107-0">
  <a href="#cite note-:10-107">
  [102]
  </a>
 </sup>
</caption>
```

```
Rank
  Country
  Population
  Area
   < br/>
   <small>
    (km
    <sup>
    </sup>
   </small>
  Density
   <br/>
   <small>
    (pop/km
    <sup>
     2
    </sup>
    )
   </small>
  1
  <span class="flagicon">
    <img alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="600" data-file-</pre>
width="900" decoding="async" height="15"
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/4/48/Flag of Singa
pore.svg/23px-Flag of Singapore.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/4/48/Flag of Si
ngapore.svg/35px-Flag_of_Singapore.svg.png 1.5x,
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/4/48/Flag of Singapore.
svg/45px-Flag of Singapore.svg.png 2x" width="23"/>
   </span>
   <a href="/wiki/Singapore" title="Singapore">
    Singapore
   </a>
```

```
5,921,231
  <td>
   719
  8,235
  2
  <span class="flagicon">
    <imq alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="600" data-file-</pre>
width="1000" decoding="async" height="14"
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/f/f9/Flag of Bangl
adesh.svg/23px-Flag of Bangladesh.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/f/f9/Flag of Ba
ngladesh.svg/35px-Flag_of_Bangladesh.svg.png 1.5x,
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/f/f9/Flag of Bangladesh
.svg/46px-Flag of Bangladesh.svg.png 2x" width="23"/>
   </span>
   <a href="/wiki/Bangladesh" title="Bangladesh">
    Bangladesh
   </a>
  165,650,475
  148,460
  1.116
  3
  >
    <span class="flagicon">
     <img alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="216" data-</pre>
file-width="432" decoding="async" height="12"
```

```
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/0/00/Flag of Pales
tine.svg/23px-Flag of Palestine.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/0/00/Flag of Pa
lestine.svg/35px-Flag of Palestine.svg.png 1.5x,
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/0/00/Flag of Palestine.
svg/46px-Flag_of_Palestine.svg.png 2x" width="23"/>
    </span>
    <a href="/wiki/State of_Palestine" title="State of Palestine">
     Palestine
    </a>
    <sup class="reference" id="cite ref-108">
     <a href="#cite note-108">
      [103]
     </a>
    </sup>
   5,223,000
  6,025
  867
  4
  <span class="flagicon">
    <img alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="600" data-file-</pre>
width="900" decoding="async" height="15"
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/7/72/Flag of the R
epublic of China.svg/23px-Flag of the Republic of China.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/7/72/Flag of th
e Republic of China.svg/35px-Flag of the Republic of China.svg.png
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/7/72/Flag of the Republ
ic of China.svg/45px-Flag of the Republic of China.svg.png 2x"
width="23"/>
   </span>
   <a href="/wiki/Taiwan" title="Taiwan">
    Taiwan
   </a>
```

```
23,580,712
  35,980
  655
  <
   5
  <span class="flagicon">
    <img alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="600" data-file-</pre>
width="900" decoding="async" height="15"
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/0/09/Flag of South
Korea.svg/23px-Flag of South Korea.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/0/09/Flag of So
uth Korea.svg/35px-Flag of South Korea.svg.png 1.5x,
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/0/09/Flag of South Kore
a.svg/45px-Flag of South Korea.svg.png 2x" width="23"/>
   </span>
   <a href="/wiki/South Korea" title="South Korea">
    South Korea
   </a>
  51,844,834
  99,720
  520
  6
  <span class="flagicon">
    <imq alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="600" data-file-</pre>
width="900" decoding="async" height="15"
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/5/59/Flag of Leban
on.svg/23px-Flag of Lebanon.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/5/59/Flag of Le
```

```
banon.svg/35px-Flag of Lebanon.svg.png 1.5x,
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/5/59/Flag of Lebanon.sv
g/45px-Flag_of_Lebanon.svg.png 2x" width="23"/>
   <a href="/wiki/Lebanon" title="Lebanon">
    Lebanon
   </a>
  5,296,814
  10,400
  509
  7
  <span class="flagicon">
    <img alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="600" data-file-</pre>
width="900" decoding="async" height="15"
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/1/17/Flag of Rwand
a.svg/23px-Flag of Rwanda.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/1/17/Flag of Rw
anda.svg/35px-Flag of Rwanda.svg.png 1.5x,
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/1/17/Flag of Rwanda.svg
/45px-Flag of Rwanda.svg.png 2x" width="23"/>
   </span>
   <a href="/wiki/Rwanda" title="Rwanda">
    Rwanda
   </a>
  13,173,730
  26,338
  500
```

```
8
  <span class="flagicon">
    <img alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="600" data-file-</pre>
width="1000" decoding="async" height="14"
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/5/50/Flag of Burun
di.svg/23px-Flag of Burundi.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/5/50/Flag of Bu
rundi.svg/35px-Flag of Burundi.svg.png 1.5x,
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/5/50/Flag of Burundi.sv
g/46px-Flag of Burundi.svg.png 2x" width="23"/>
   </span>
   <a href="/wiki/Burundi" title="Burundi">
    Burundi
   </a>
  12,696,478
  27,830
  <td>
   456
  9
  <span class="flagicon">
    <img alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="900" data-file-</pre>
width="1350" decoding="async" height="15"
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/en/thumb/4/41/Flag of India.svg/
23px-Flag of India.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/en/thumb/4/41/Flag of India.s
vg/35px-Flag of India.svg.png 1.5x,
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/en/thumb/4/41/Flag of India.svg/45px-
Flag of India.svg.png 2x" width="23"/>
   </span>
   <a href="/wiki/India" title="India">
    India
   </a>
  1,389,637,446
```

```
3,287,263
  423
  10
  <span class="flagicon">
    <imq alt="" class="thumbborder" data-file-height="600" data-file-</pre>
width="900" decoding="async" height="15"
src="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/2/20/Flag_of_the_N
etherlands.svg/23px-Flag of the Netherlands.svg.png"
srcset="//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/2/20/Flag of th
e Netherlands.svg/35px-Flag of the Netherlands.svg.png 1.5x,
//upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/2/20/Flag of the Nether
lands.svg/45px-Flag of the Netherlands.svg.png 2x" width="23"/>
   </span>
   <a href="/wiki/Netherlands" title="Netherlands">
    Netherlands
   </a>
  17,400,824
  41,543
  419
  population data = pd.DataFrame(columns=["Rank", "Country",
"Population", "Area", "Density"])
for row in tables[table index].tbody.find all("tr"):
   col = row.find all("td")
   if (col != []):
       rank = col[0].text
       country = col[1].text
       population = col[2].text.strip()
       area = col[3].text.strip()
```

```
density = col[4].text.strip()
        population data = population data.append({"Rank":rank,
"Country":country, "Population":population, "Area":area,
"Density":density}, ignore index=True)
population data
  Rank
                       Country
                                    Population
                                                      Area Density
                                     5,921,231
0
     1
                                                       719
                                                              8,235
                     Singapore
1
                    Bangladesh
                                   165,650,475
                                                   148,460
                                                              1,116
     3
2
        \n Palestine[103]\n\n
                                                     6,025
                                     5,223,000
                                                                867
3
     4
                        Taiwan
                                    23,580,712
                                                    35,980
                                                                655
4
     5
                   South Korea
                                    51,844,834
                                                    99,720
                                                                520
5
     6
                       Lebanon
                                     5,296,814
                                                    10,400
                                                                509
6
     7
                                                    26,338
                        Rwanda
                                    13,173,730
                                                                500
7
     8
                                    12,696,478
                                                    27,830
                                                                456
                       Burundi
8
     9
                                 1,389,637,446
                                                 3,287,263
                                                                423
                         India
9
    10
                   Netherlands
                                    17,400,824
                                                    41,543
                                                                419
```

Scrape data from HTML tables into a DataFrame using BeautifulSoup and read_html

Using the same url, data, soup, and tables object as in the last section we can use the read_html function to create a DataFrame.

Remember the table we need is located in tables [table index]

We can now use the pandas function read_html and give it the string version of the table as well as the flavor which is the parsing engine bs4.

```
pd.read html(str(tables[5]), flavor='bs4')
    Rank
                                                    Density(pop/km2)
[
                  Country
                            Population
                                        Area(km2)
                                                                        /
0
       1
                    India
                            1389637446
                                           3287263
                                                                  423
       2
1
                 Pakistan
                             242923845
                                                                  305
                                            796095
2
       3
               Bangladesh
                             165650475
                                            148460
                                                                 1116
3
       4
                    Japan
                             124214766
                                            377915
                                                                  329
4
       5
              Philippines
                             114597229
                                            300000
                                                                  382
5
       6
                  Vietnam
                             103808319
                                            331210
                                                                  313
6
       7
          United Kingdom
                              67791400
                                            243610
                                                                  278
7
       8
              South Korea
                              51844834
                                             99720
                                                                  520
       9
8
                   Taiwan
                              23580712
                                             35980
                                                                  655
      10
                Sri Lanka
                             23187516
                                             65610
                                                                  353
   Population trend[citation needed]
0
                               Growing
1
                      Rapidly growing
2
                      Rapidly growing
 3
                       Declining[104]
```

```
Growing
Growing
Growing
Growing
Steady
Growing
Growing
Growing
Growing
Growing
```

The function read_html always returns a list of DataFrames so we must pick the one we want out of the list.

```
population data read html = pd.read html(str(tables[5]), flavor='bs4')
[0]
population data read html
                                                    Density(pop/km2)
   Rank
                 Country
                           Population
                                        Area(km2)
0
      1
                   India
                           1389637446
                                          3287263
                                                                   423
1
      2
                Pakistan
                            242923845
                                            796095
                                                                  305
2
      3
              Bangladesh
                            165650475
                                            148460
                                                                 1116
3
      4
                   Japan
                            124214766
                                            377915
                                                                  329
4
      5
             Philippines
                            114597229
                                            300000
                                                                  382
5
      6
                 Vietnam
                            103808319
                                            331210
                                                                  313
6
      7
         United Kingdom
                                                                  278
                             67791400
                                            243610
7
      8
             South Korea
                             51844834
                                             99720
                                                                  520
8
      9
                  Taiwan
                             23580712
                                             35980
                                                                  655
9
     10
               Sri Lanka
                             23187516
                                             65610
                                                                  353
  Population trend[citation needed]
0
                              Growing
1
                      Rapidly growing
2
                      Rapidly growing
3
                       Declining[104]
4
                              Growing
5
                              Growing
6
                              Growing
7
                               Steady
8
                               Steady
9
                              Growing
```

Scrape data from HTML tables into a DataFrame using read html

We can also use the read_html function to directly get DataFrames from a url.

```
dataframe_list = pd.read_html(url, flavor='bs4')
```

We can see there are 25 DataFrames just like when we used find all on the soup object.

```
len(dataframe_list)
24
```

Finally we can pick the DataFrame we need out of the list.

```
dataframe list[5]
                            Population
   Rank
                                         Area(km2)
                                                     Density(pop/km2)
                  Country
0
      1
                    India
                                           3287263
                                                                    423
                            1389637446
      2
                                            796095
1
                Pakistan
                             242923845
                                                                    305
2
      3
              Bangladesh
                             165650475
                                             148460
                                                                   1116
3
      4
                    Japan
                             124214766
                                             377915
                                                                    329
4
      5
             Philippines
                             114597229
                                             300000
                                                                    382
5
      6
                  Vietnam
                                                                    313
                             103808319
                                             331210
6
      7
          United Kingdom
                              67791400
                                             243610
                                                                    278
7
      8
             South Korea
                                              99720
                                                                    520
                              51844834
8
      9
                   Taiwan
                              23580712
                                              35980
                                                                    655
9
     10
               Sri Lanka
                              23187516
                                              65610
                                                                    353
  Population trend[citation needed]
0
                               Growing
1
                      Rapidly growing
2
                      Rapidly growing
3
                       Declining[104]
4
                               Growing
5
                               Growina
6
                               Growing
7
                                Steady
8
                                Steady
9
                               Growing
```

We can also use the match parameter to select the specific table we want. If the table contains a string matching the text it will be read.

```
pd.read html(url, match="10 most densely populated countries",
flavor='bs4')[0]
   Rank
                 Country
                           Population
                                        Area(km2)
                                                     Density(pop/km2)
0
      1
               Singapore
                               5921231
                                               719
                                                                  8235
      2
1
              Bangladesh
                             165650475
                                            148460
                                                                  1116
      3
2
          Palestine[103]
                               5223000
                                              6025
                                                                   867
3
      4
                  Taiwan
                              23580712
                                             35980
                                                                   655
      5
4
                              51844834
             South Korea
                                             99720
                                                                   520
5
      6
                 Lebanon
                               5296814
                                             10400
                                                                   509
6
      7
                  Rwanda
                              13173730
                                             26338
                                                                   500
7
      8
                 Burundi
                              12696478
                                             27830
                                                                   456
8
      9
                                                                   423
                    India
                           1389637446
                                           3287263
9
     10
             Netherlands
                              17400824
                                             41543
                                                                   419
```

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