# Web Scraping Homework - Mission to Mars

![mission\_to\_mars](Images/mission\_to\_mars.png)

In this assignment, you will build a web application that scrapes various websites for data related to the Mission to Mars and displays the information in a single HTML page. The following outlines what you need to do.

### Before You Begin

1. Create a new repository for this project called `web-scraping-challenge`. \*\*Do not add this homework to an existing repository\*\*.

2. Clone the new repository to your computer.

3. Inside your local git repository, create a directory for the web scraping challenge. Use a folder name to correspond to the challenge: \*\*Missions\_to\_Mars\*\*.

4. Add your notebook files to this folder as well as your flask app.

5. Push the above changes to GitHub or GitLab.

## Step 1 - Scraping

Complete your initial scraping using Jupyter Notebook, BeautifulSoup, Pandas, and Requests/Splinter.

\* Create a Jupyter Notebook file called `mission\_to\_mars.ipynb` and use this to complete all of your scraping and analysis tasks. The following outlines what you need to scrape.

### NASA Mars News

\* Scrape the [NASA Mars News Site](https://mars.nasa.gov/news/) and collect the latest News Title and Paragraph Text. Assign the text to variables that you can reference later.

```python

# Example:

news\_title = "NASA's Next Mars Mission to Investigate Interior of Red Planet"

news\_p = "Preparation of NASA's next spacecraft to Mars, InSight, has ramped up this summer, on course for launch next May from Vandenberg Air Force Base in central California -- the first interplanetary launch in history from America's West Coast."

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### JPL Mars Space Images - Featured Image

\* Visit the url for JPL Featured Space Image [here](https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/spaceimages/?search=&category=Mars).

\* Use splinter to navigate the site and find the image url for the current Featured Mars Image and assign the url string to a variable called `featured\_image\_url`.

\* Make sure to find the image url to the full size `.jpg` image.

\* Make sure to save a complete url string for this image.

```python

# Example:

featured\_image\_url = 'https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/spaceimages/images/largesize/PIA16225\_hires.jpg'

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### Mars Weather

\* Visit the Mars Weather twitter account [here](https://twitter.com/marswxreport?lang=en) and scrape the latest Mars weather tweet from the page. Save the tweet text for the weather report as a variable called `mars\_weather`.

```python

# Example:

mars\_weather = 'Sol 1801 (Aug 30, 2017), Sunny, high -21C/-5F, low -80C/-112F, pressure at 8.82 hPa, daylight 06:09-17:55'

```

### Mars Facts

\* Visit the Mars Facts webpage [here](https://space-facts.com/mars/) and use Pandas to scrape the table containing facts about the planet including Diameter, Mass, etc.

\* Use Pandas to convert the data to a HTML table string.

### Mars Hemispheres

\* Visit the USGS Astrogeology site [here](https://astrogeology.usgs.gov/search/results?q=hemisphere+enhanced&k1=target&v1=Mars) to obtain high resolution images for each of Mar's hemispheres.

\* You will need to click each of the links to the hemispheres in order to find the image url to the full resolution image.

\* Save both the image url string for the full resolution hemisphere image, and the Hemisphere title containing the hemisphere name. Use a Python dictionary to store the data using the keys `img\_url` and `title`.

\* Append the dictionary with the image url string and the hemisphere title to a list. This list will contain one dictionary for each hemisphere.

```python

# Example:

hemisphere\_image\_urls = [

{"title": "Valles Marineris Hemisphere", "img\_url": "..."},

{"title": "Cerberus Hemisphere", "img\_url": "..."},

{"title": "Schiaparelli Hemisphere", "img\_url": "..."},

{"title": "Syrtis Major Hemisphere", "img\_url": "..."},

]

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## Step 2 - MongoDB and Flask Application

Use MongoDB with Flask templating to create a new HTML page that displays all of the information that was scraped from the URLs above.

\* Start by converting your Jupyter notebook into a Python script called `scrape\_mars.py` with a function called `scrape` that will execute all of your scraping code from above and return one Python dictionary containing all of the scraped data.

\* Next, create a route called `/scrape` that will import your `scrape\_mars.py` script and call your `scrape` function.

\* Store the return value in Mongo as a Python dictionary.

\* Create a root route `/` that will query your Mongo database and pass the mars data into an HTML template to display the data.

\* Create a template HTML file called `index.html` that will take the mars data dictionary and display all of the data in the appropriate HTML elements. Use the following as a guide for what the final product should look like, but feel free to create your own design.

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![final\_app\_part2.png](Images/final\_app\_part2.png)

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## Step 3 - Submission

To submit your work to BootCampSpot, create a new GitHub repository and upload the following:

1. The Jupyter Notebook containing the scraping code used.

2. Screenshots of your final application.

3. Submit the link to your new repository to BootCampSpot.

## Hints

\* Use Splinter to navigate the sites when needed and BeautifulSoup to help find and parse out the necessary data.

\* Use Pymongo for CRUD applications for your database. For this homework, you can simply overwrite the existing document each time the `/scrape` url is visited and new data is obtained.

\* Use Bootstrap to structure your HTML template.

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