

## loadAllArticles.R source code

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#Project 1 R program to crawl, parse and extract all articles published in a specific journal  
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#Journal Name: BMC Medical Genetics  
#Total article number: 1642  
#Main page of the journal: https://bmcmmedgenet.biomedcentral.com/
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source(paste(getwd()),"/R_Scripts/util.R",sep="")  
library(bitops)  
library(RCurl)  
library(XML)  
library(stringr)
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#load(readLines) main page & save to (.html) file  
site.url = "https://bmcmmedgenet.biomedcentral.com/"  
site.url.clear = "https://bmcmmedgenet.biomedcentral.com"  
main.page = readLines(site.url)  
options(warn=-1)  
dir.create("HTMLs")  
#write(main_page, file = "HTMLs/main_page.html")  
#print("[I/O]: FILE: main_page.html created.")
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#get the link of "Article List Page" URL from main page  
page.list.url = paste(site.url,substr(main.page[grepl("<a  
class=.navbar__link.+href).+(>Articles<\\a>)",main.page)],72,79),"/",sep="")  
page.list = readLines(page.list.url)  
write(page.list, file="HTMLs/article_list_page.html")  
print("[I/O]: FILE: article_list_page.html created.")
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#get the URL of all "Article list page" url, total 66 pages, each page has maximum 25 articles  
#find max page numbers  
page_index = str_extract_all(page.list[grepl('<span class=\\\"Control_name\\\" data-  
test=\\\"pagination-text\\\">Page \\d+ of \\d+<\\span>',page.list)])[1],\"\\d+\")[1];  
min.page.count = page_index[1];  
max.page.count = page_index[2];  
page.url = paste(site.url, str_extract(page.list[grepl('<a class=\"Pager Pager--  
next\".+\",page.list)])[1],\"articles\\\".+page\\\"=\"\",sep="")  
page.url = xpathApply(htmlParse(page.url, asText=TRUE),\"//body//text()\", xmlValue)[[1]]
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#generate article url list  
page.url.list = \"\"  
article.data = data.frame(DOI=c(),url=c())  
for(i in min.page.count:max.page.count){
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percent = toString(as.integer((i/as.integer(max.page.count))*100))
cat("\r",paste("[APP]: loading page number: ",i," [", percent, "%]"))
full.url = paste(page.url,i,sep="")
articleUrl_and_doi = loadArticleList(full.url)#function call: loadArticleList()
articleUrl_and_doi$url = paste(site.url.clear, articleUrl_and_doi$url, sep="")#add site url, to fulfill
the url of an article
article.data = rbind(article.data, articleUrl_and_doi)#rown bind, store all article DOI, urls
page.url.list = c(page.url.list, full.url)
}
page.url.list = page.url.list[-1]
write(page.url.list, "page.url.list.txt")
print("[I/O]: FILE: page.url.list.txt created.")
write.csv(article.data, "article.DOI.URL.list.csv")
print("[I/O]: FILE: article.DOI.URL.list.csv created.")
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#circuly analysis the articles and extract required information, and form all information in a
data.frame
extracted.data = data.frame(DOI=c(),Title=c(),Author=c(), "Author Affiliation"=c(), "Corresponding
Author"=c(), "Corresponding_Author_email"=c(),
                           "Publication Date"=c(), Abstract=c(), Keywords=c(), "Full Text"=c())
total.number = as.integer(length(article.data[,1]))
for(i in 1:total.number){
  extracted.data = rbind(extracted.data, analysisArticle(article.data[i,1], article.data[i,2]))#function
call: analysisArticle
  cat("\r", paste("[I/O]: FILE:", toString(i), article.data[i,1], ".html created.
[",toString(as.integer(i/total.number*100)), "%]"))
}
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#Write the final result to BMC Medical Genetics.txt
options(warn=-1)
dir.create("output")
write.table(extracted.data,"output/BMC Medical
Genetics.txt",sep="\t",row.names=FALSE,fileEncoding = "UTF-8")
print("[I/O]: FILE: output/BMC Medical Genetics.txt created.")
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## **util.R source code**

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library(bitops)

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library(stringr)

#FUNCTION NAME: loadArticleList

#FUNCTION:extract DOI and url of article lists in the specified page

#INPUT:[page\_url:the url of article list page]

#OUTPUT:[data.frame(DOI,url:url of article full text)]

loadArticleList = function(page\_url){

html = getURL(page\_url, followlocation=TRUE)

doc = htmlParse(html, asText=TRUE)

article.list = xpathSApply(doc,"//div[@class='ResultsList\_group']/h3/a",xmlGetAttr,"href")

DOI.list = xpathSApply(doc,"//div[@class='ResultsList\_group']/h3/a",xmlGetAttr,"data-event-label")

return(data.frame(DOI=DOI.list,url=article.list))

}

#FUNCTION NAME: analysisArticle

#FUNCTION:extract all required field from the specified article full text page

#INPUT:[DOI,url:url of article full text]

#OUTPUT:[data.frame(DOI, title, author, authorAffiliation, correspondingAuthor,

# correspondingAuthorEmail, publicationDate, abstract, keywords, fullText)], single row

analysisArticle = function(DOI, url){

html = getURL(url, followlocation=TRUE)

doc = htmlParse(html, asText=TRUE)

options(warn=-1)

dir.create("HTMLs")

article.filename = paste("HTMLs/", gsub("\\\\", "", DOI), ".html", sep="")#generate article filename:  
DOI.html

saveXML(doc, article.filename)#save to file

author.info = extractAuthors(doc)#function call:extractAuthors()

DOI = DOI;

title = extracAttribute(doc, "//meta[@name='citation\_title']","content")

author = author.info[1]

authorAffiliation = extracAttribute(doc, "//meta[@name='citation\_author\_institution']","content")

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correspondingAuthor = author.info[2]
correspondingAuthorEmail = author.info[3]
publicationDate = extracAttribute(doc, "//meta[@name='prism.publicationDate']","content")
abstract = extract(doc, "//div[@class='AbstractSection']")
keywords = extract(doc, "//span[@class='Keyword']")
fullText = extract(doc, "//div[@id='Test-ImgSrc']")

extracted.data.row = data.frame(DOI, title, author, authorAffiliation, correspondingAuthor,
                                correspondingAuthorEmail, publicationDate, abstract, keywords, fullText)
return(extracted.data.row)
}
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```
#FUNCTION NAME: extract
#FUNCTION:extract xmlValue from specified XML tag/node
#INPUT:[parsedHtml, pattern]
#OUTPUT:[string of xmlValue embedded in the tag/node]
extract = function(parsedHtml, pattern){
  resultList = xpathSApply(parsedHtml, pattern, xmlValue)
  if(length(resultList) == 0) return("NULL")
  result = ""
  for(str in resultList){
    if(str == "" | str == " ") next
    if(result == ""){
      result = str
    } else {
      result = paste(result, ",", str, sep="")
    }
    result = str_replace(result,"\\n","")
  }
  return(result)
}
```

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#FUNCTION NAME: extracAttribute
#FUNCTION:extract XML attribute value from specified XML tag/node and attribute name
#INPUT:[parsedHtml, pattern, attribute]
#OUTPUT:[string of attribute value]
extracAttribute = function(parsedHtml, pattern, attribute){
  resultList = xpathSApply(parsedHtml, pattern, xmlGetAttr, attribute)
  if(length(resultList) == 0) return("NULL")
  result = ""
  for(str in resultList){
    if(str == "" | str == " ") next
    if(result == ""){
      result = str
    } else {
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    result = paste(result, ";", str, sep="")
  }
  result = str_replace(result, "\\n", "")
}
return(result)
}
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#FUNCTION NAME: extractAuthors

#FUNCTION:extract author, corresponding author, corresponding author's email

#INPUT:[parsedHtml]

#OUTPUT:[vector(author, corresponding.author, email)]

extractAuthors = function(parsedHtml){

#data.frame : (author, affiliationId, isCorresponding, email)

author.data = data.frame(author=c(), affiliationId=c(), isCorresponding=c(), email=c())

author.list = xpathSApply(parsedHtml, "//li[@class='Author']", xmlDoc)

for(authorHTML in author.list){

author = extract(authorHTML, "//span[@class='AuthorName']")

affiliationId = extract(authorHTML, "//a[@class='AffiliationID']")

email = str\_replace\_all(extractAttribute(authorHTML, "//a[@class='EmailAuthor']",  
"href"), "mailto:", "")

isCorresponding = !(email == "NULL")

author.data.row = data.frame(author, affiliationId, isCorresponding, email)

author.data = rbind(author.data, author.data.row)

}

author.filtered.list = author.data[which(author.data\$isCorresponding == FALSE),]

author = ""

for(i in 1:length(author.filtered.list[,1])){

if(i == 1){

seperator = ""

} else {

seperator = ";"

}

author = paste(author, seperator, author.filtered.list[i,1], sep="")

}

corresponding.author.list = author.data[which(author.data\$isCorresponding == TRUE),]

corresponding.author = ""

email = ""

for(i in 1:length(corresponding.author.list[,1])){

if(i == 1){

seperator = ""

} else {

seperator = ";"

}

corresponding.author = paste(corresponding.author, seperator,

corresponding.author.list[i,1], sep="")

email = paste(email, seperator, corresponding.author.list[i,4], sep="")

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}  
  return(c(author, corresponding.author, email))  
}
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#FUNCTION NAME: extractAffiliation

#FUNCTION:extract affiliationID and affiliationText

#INPUT:[parsedHtml]

#OUTPUT:[data.frame(affiliationID, affiliationText)]

#WARNING: it is not being used in this project, but if you need to comply the author and their affiliations, this dunction will be helpful

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extractAffiliation = function(parsedHtml){  
  #data.frame : (affiliationId, affiliationText)  
  affiliation.data = data.frame(affiliationId=c(), affiliationText=c())  
  affiliation.list = xpathSApply(parsedHtml, "//div[@class='Affiliation']", xmlDoc)  
  for(affliatioHTML in affiliation.list){  
    affiliationId =gsub("\\(|\\)", "", extract(affliatioHTML, "//span[@class='AffiliationNumber']"))  
    affiliationText = extract(affliatioHTML, "//div[@class='AffiliationText']")  
    affiliation.data.row = data.frame(affiliationId, affiliationText)  
    affiliation.data = rbind(affiliation.data, affiliation.data.row)  
  }  
  return(affiliation.data)  
}
```