

Web Scraping, Database Storage, and Full-Text Search for Manufacturing Articles

Introduction

This project aims to scrape manufacturing-related articles from The Economic Times, store them in a SQLite database, and implement full-text search (FTS) and embedding-based search functionalities. The main objectives are:

1. **Web Scraping:** Extract article titles, links, and content from the webpage.
2. **Database Management:** Store the articles in a structured SQLite database.
3. **Full-Text Search:** Enable efficient retrieval of articles using SQLite's FTS5 functionality.
4. **Embedding-Based Search:** Use Sentence Transformers to generate embeddings for articles and retrieve similar articles based on query embeddings.
5. **Language Model Response Generation:** Use OpenAI's GPT-4 for summarizing and responding to user queries in a chatbot interface built using Streamlit.

Steps Followed

1. Web Scraping Using BeautifulSoup

1.1 **Getting the Webpage:** It uses the `requests` library to download the webpage's content.

1.2 **Reading the HTML:** The `BeautifulSoup` library processes the downloaded webpage, allowing easy access to different parts of the HTML.

1.3 **Finding Article Titles and Links:** The code searches the webpage for article titles and their links, then saves them in a list for later use.

2. Database Management with SQLite

2.1 **Creating Tables:** Two tables are set up—one called "articles" to store the basic information and another called "articles_fts" for full-text searching.

2.2 **Inserting Data:** The scraped article details are then added into the database.

3. Fetching and Storing Article Content

`get_article_content` function retrieves the full text of each article by visiting its URL. It then stores the article's content in the SQLite database.

4. Full-Text Search with FTS5

4.1 Creating a Virtual FTS5 Table: A special table, called `articles_fts`, is created to make full-text searches faster and more efficient.

4.2 Searching Articles: Users can search for articles using keywords, and the code will return matching article titles along with brief excerpts from their content.

5 Embedding-Based Search Using Sentence-BERT

The project uses an embeddings-based search to find articles that are related to the user's query in a meaningful way. It uses Sentence-BERT to create embeddings (numeric representations) for both the articles and the user's query, and then compares them using cosine similarity to find the best matches.

1. **Creating Embeddings:** Sentence-BERT generates vector representations of the article content.
2. **Storing Embeddings:** These embeddings are saved in the SQLite database.
3. **Similarity Search:** The system compares the query's embeddings with the stored ones and retrieves the most relevant articles based on similarity scores.

6 Integration with GPT and Streamlit Interface

The project features a chatbot interface created with Streamlit, allowing users to ask questions about manufacturing and supply chains. The chatbot searches for relevant articles using either full-text search (FTS5) or embeddings, then uses GPT-4 to provide a detailed answer.

1. **RAG (Retrieval-Augmented Generation) Pipeline:** The chatbot first finds relevant articles in the database, then combines that information into a prompt for GPT-4, which generates a well-informed response.

Key Features

- **Web Scraping:** Extracts titles, links, and content from The Economic Times.
- **SQLite Storage:** Efficiently stores and retrieves articles using both traditional and FTS5 tables.
- **Full-Text Search:** Enables keyword-based retrieval of articles.
- **Embedding-Based Search:** Uses semantic search to find articles similar to a user's query.
- **Chatbot Interface:** Powered by GPT and integrated with Streamlit for interactive queries.

Libraries used

requests: Fetches web pages from the internet.

BeautifulSoup: Parses and extracts data from HTML content.

sqlite3: Manages the SQLite database for storing and retrieving article data.

SentenceTransformer: Converts article content and user queries into vector embeddings for semantic search.

numpy: Handles numerical operations, especially with embeddings.

pickle: Serializes and deserializes data (like embeddings) for storage in the database.

scipy.spatial.distance: Calculates cosine similarity to compare embeddings.

openai: Accesses GPT to generate detailed responses based on article data.

streamlit: Creates a web interface for the chatbot, allowing user interaction.

The screenshot displays the DB Browser for SQLite application. The main window shows a table named 'articles_fts' with three columns: 'title', 'link', and 'content'. The table contains 16 rows of news articles. The right-hand panel, titled 'Edit Database Cell', is active, showing the 'Mode: Text' and 'Size: 1 character(s)'. The 'Identity' dropdown is set to 'Remote', and the 'Current Database' is 'DEHub.io'. The 'Name' field is empty, and the 'Last modified' date is '12-09-2024'. The bottom status bar shows the system clock as 22:23 on 12-09-2024.

Filter	title	link	content
Filter			
1	Axiscades subsidiary bags energy ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Homegrown engineering solutions ..
2	BPEA Credit commits Rs 250 crore to ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	BPEA Credit has committed Rs. 250 ..
3	Chevron to invest Rs 8,300 crore in ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Chevron, a global leader in providin..
4	EET Fuels appoints Toyo-India for ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	EET Fuels(a trading name of Essar Oi..
5	Garda Aerospace signs pact with ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	French aerospace major Thales has inke..
6	Gensol Engineering-Matrix Gas ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	A consortium of Gensol ..
7	Larsen & Toubro bags 'large' order ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Engineering and construction ..
8	NCLAT relief for IL&FS Engineering in ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	New Delhi: The National Company Law ..
9	Ramkrishna Forgings to set up ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Ramkrishna Forgings Ltd on Monday sai..
10	Sansera signs MoU with Karnataka to ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Sansera Engineering Limited on ..
11	Schindler will one day employ as man..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Swiss liftmaker Schindler will employ ..
12	TIL Limited to be Snorkel Europe's ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	TIL Limited has signed a partnership ..
13	Texmaco bags Rs 243cr order from MRVC	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Kolkata-based engineering ..
14	VA Tech WABAG bags Rs 2,700 cr sea ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Chennai: Water treatment player VA Tech..
15	Wipro Hydraulics opens Rs 250 cr ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Wipro Hydraulics on Thursday ..
16	Wipro Infrastructure Engineering ..	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com..	Wipro Hydraulics, part of ..

The screenshot shows the DB Browser for SQLite application with the 'Edit Database Cell' dialog box open. The dialog is for editing the value of the 'v' column in the 'articles_fts_config' table. The current value is 'version 4'. The dialog shows the 'Mode' set to 'Text' and the 'Type' as 'Text / Numeric; Size: 7 character(s)'. The 'Identity' dropdown is set to 'Local'.

DB Browser for SQLite - C:\Users\91880\Desktop\bot\newmanufacturing_data_new.db

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Database Structure Browse Data Edit Pragma Execute SQL

Table: articles_fts_content Filter in any column

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2	2	EET Fuels appoints Toyo-India for ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	EET Fuels(a trading name of Essar Oi...
3	3	Ramkrishna Forgings to set up ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	Ramkrishna ForgingsLtd on Monday sai...
4	4	Chevron to invest Rs 8,300 crore in ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	Chevron, a global leader in providin...
5	5	Wipro Hydraulics opens Rs 250 cr ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	Wipro Hydraulicon Thursday ...
6	6	Larsen & Toubro bags 'large' order ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	Engineering and construction ...
7	7	Axiscades subsidiary bags energy ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	Homegrown engineering solutions ...
8	8	Gensol Engineering-Matrix Gas ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	A consortium ofGensol ...
9	9	Wipro Infrastructure Engineering ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	Wipro Hydraulics, part of ...
10	10	TIL Limited to be Snorkel Europe's ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	TIL Limitedhas signed a partnership ...
11	11	Texmaco bags Rs 243cr order from MRVC	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	Kolkata-basedengineering ...
12	12	Sansera signs MoU with Karnataka to ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	Sansera Engineering Limitedon ...
13	13	Garuda Aerospace signs pact with ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	French aerospace majorThaleshas inke...
14	14	BPEA Credit commits Rs 250 crore to ...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	BPEA Credithas committed Rs. 250 ...
15	15	NCLAT relief for IL&F8 Engineering i...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	New Delhi: TheNational Company Law ...
16	16	Schindler will one day employ as man...	https://economictimes.indiatimes.com...	Swiss liftmakerschindlerwill employ ...

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Write changes to the database file

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Search

SQL Log Plot DB Schema Remote

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DBHub.io Local Current Database

Upload

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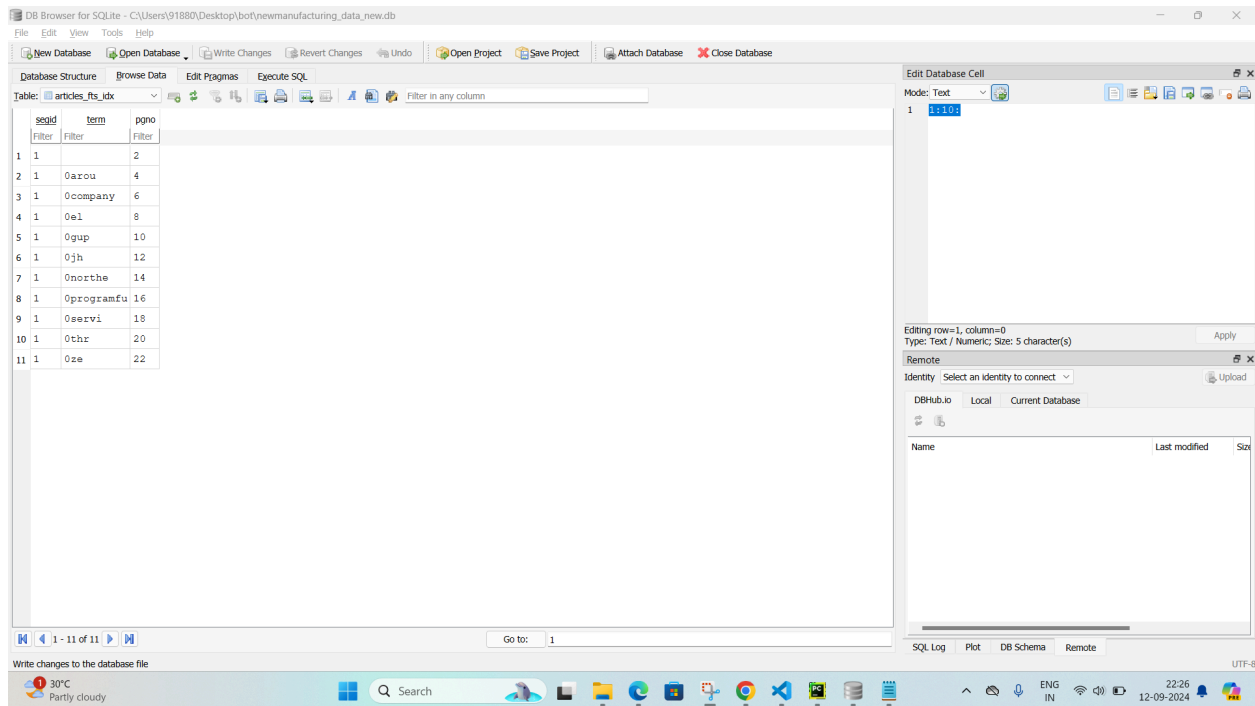
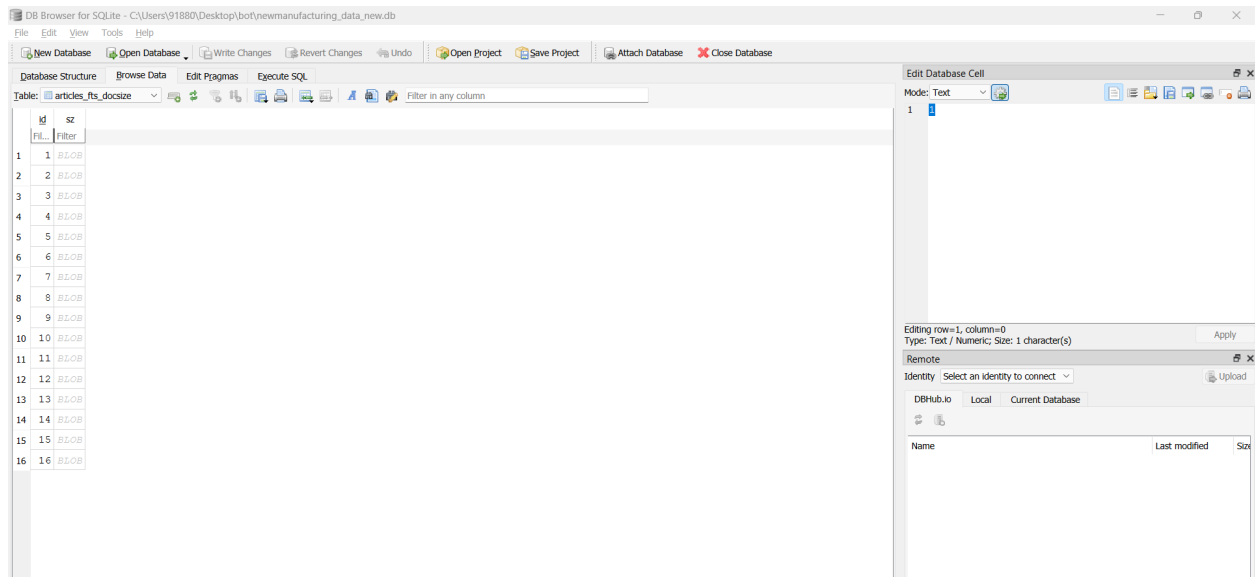
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Database Structure Browse Data Edit Pragma Execute SQL

Table: articles_fts_data Filter in any column

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	Filter	Filter
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2	10	BLOB
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11	137438953481	BLOB
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Result

