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Exercise 2.1: Data acquisition - Building a better web crawler.

The web crawler code shown on Lecture 2 is poor in at least two respects:

- 1. It can crawl the same page multiple times, if a link on a later crawled page points to the already-crawled page.
- 2. It inserts all links from each page in order as pages to be crawled. If some page contains thousands of links, the crawling will crawl those first and may never get to the links from the next page, especially if the total number of pages are limited.

To fix this duplicate issue, at first before insert into the list, I check if the url already exist list datastructure.

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import requests
import bs4
webpage_url = "https://www.sis.uta.fi/~tojape/"
webpage html = requests.get(webpage url)
webpage parsed html = bs4.BeautifulSoup(webpage html.content, 'html.parser')
def getpageurls(webpage_parsed):
       pagelinkelements=webpage parsed.find all('a')
       pageurls = [];
       for pagelink in pagelinkelements:
              pageurl_isok=1
              try:
                     pageurl = pagelink['href']
              except:
                     pageurl isok=0
              if pageurl isok == 1:
                     if (pageurl.find('.pdf') !=-1)|(pageurl.find('.ps')!=-1):
                            pageurl_isok = 0
                     if (pageurl.find('http') ==-1)|(pageurl.find('.fi')==-1):
                            pageurl_isok = 0
              if pageurl_isok == 1 and pageurl not in pageurls: # Before Append we need to check
                     pageurls.append(pageurl)
       return(pageurls)
mywebpage_urls = getpageurls(webpage_parsed_html)
print(mywebpage_urls)
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In [2]: import requests
import bs4
import urllib.request

In [3]: webpage_url = "https://www.gutenberg.org/browse/scores/top#books-last30"
webpage_html = requests.get(webpage_url)
webpage_parsed_html = bs4.BeautifulSoup(webpage_html.content, 'html.parser'
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In [6]:
        pageList = webpage parsed html.find("h2", {"id": "books-last30"})
        ol = pageList.find next sibling("ol")
        book list = {}
        def collect_all_download_link(count):
                 for x in ol.findAll('li'):
                         # print(x.a.text, '19')
                         url = x.a['href']
                         link = 'https://www.gutenberg.org/files/' + url.split('/')[
                         if(len(book list) < count):</pre>
                                 book list[x.a.text] = {
                                          "book_name": x.a.text,
                                          "download link": link,
                                 }
        collect all download link(20)
        print(len(book list))
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Book Name A Room with a View by E. M. Forster (98953)
Book Name Middlemarch by George Eliot (93808)
Book Name Little Women; Or, Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy by Louisa May Alcott (85
289)
Book Name The Enchanted April by Elizabeth Von Arnim (84452)
Book Name The Blue Castle: a novel by L. M. Montgomery (81894)
Book Name Cranford by Elizabeth Cleghorn Gaskell (79784)
Book Name Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen (57171)
Book Name Frankenstein; Or, The Modern Prometheus by Mary Wollstonecraft Sh
elley (53537)
Book Name The Yellow Wallpaper by Charlotte Perkins Gilman (27545)
Book Name The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes by Arthur Conan Doyle (27406)
Book Name Dracula by Bram Stoker (27090)
Book Name Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll (26824)
Book Name The Scarlet Letter by Nathaniel Hawthorne (24241)
Book Name Moby Dick; Or, The Whale by Herman Melville (23678)
Book Name The Picture of Dorian Gray by Oscar Wilde (22076)
Book Name A Modest Proposal by Jonathan Swift (21431)
Book Name A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens (21015)
Book Name The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde by Robert Louis Steve
nson (18230)
Book Name The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald (17693)
Book Name A Doll's House : a play by Henrik Ibsen (17018)
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In []: