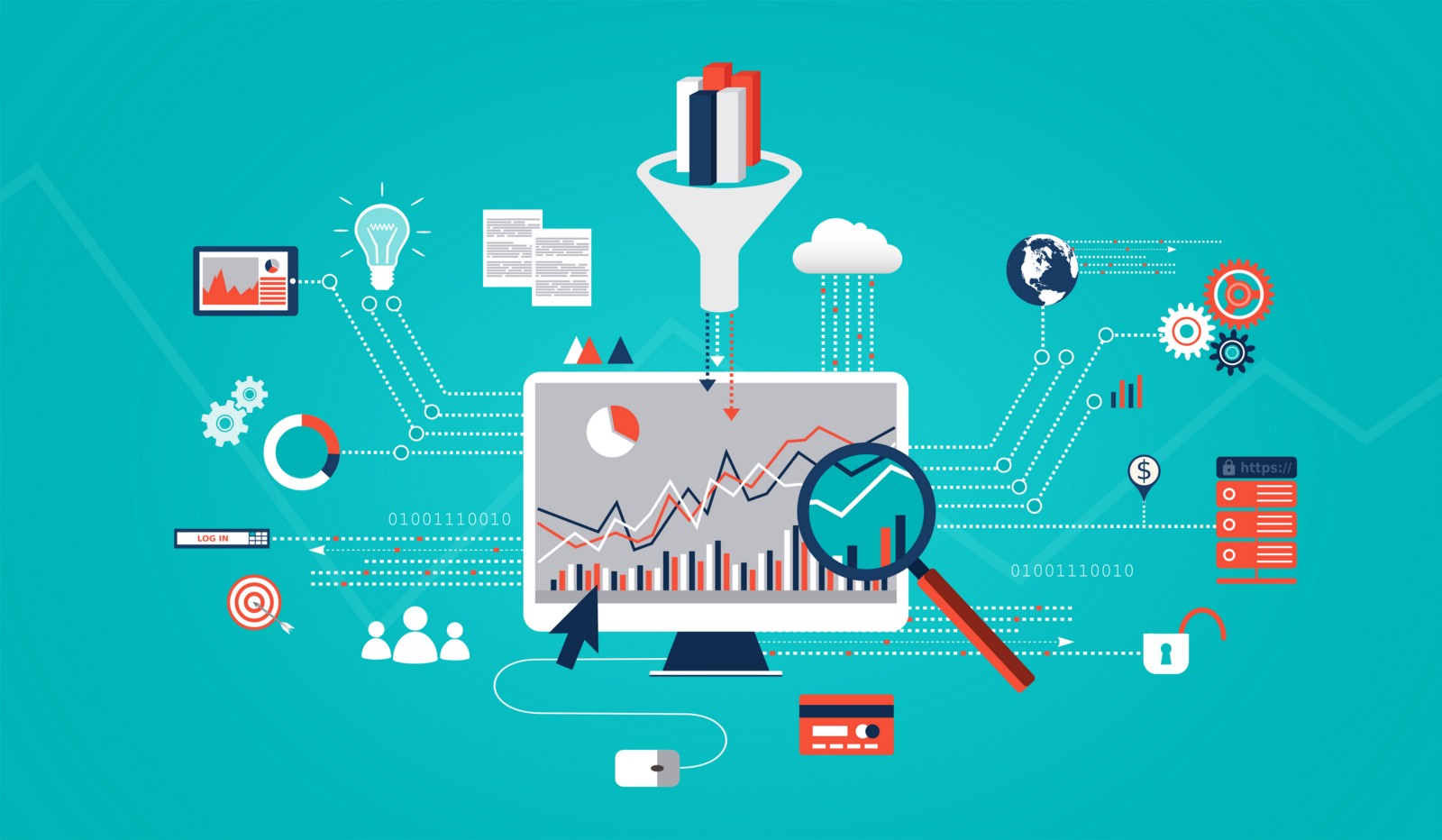
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**FINAL PROJECT REPORT**

**Natural language processing of behavior analysis citations**



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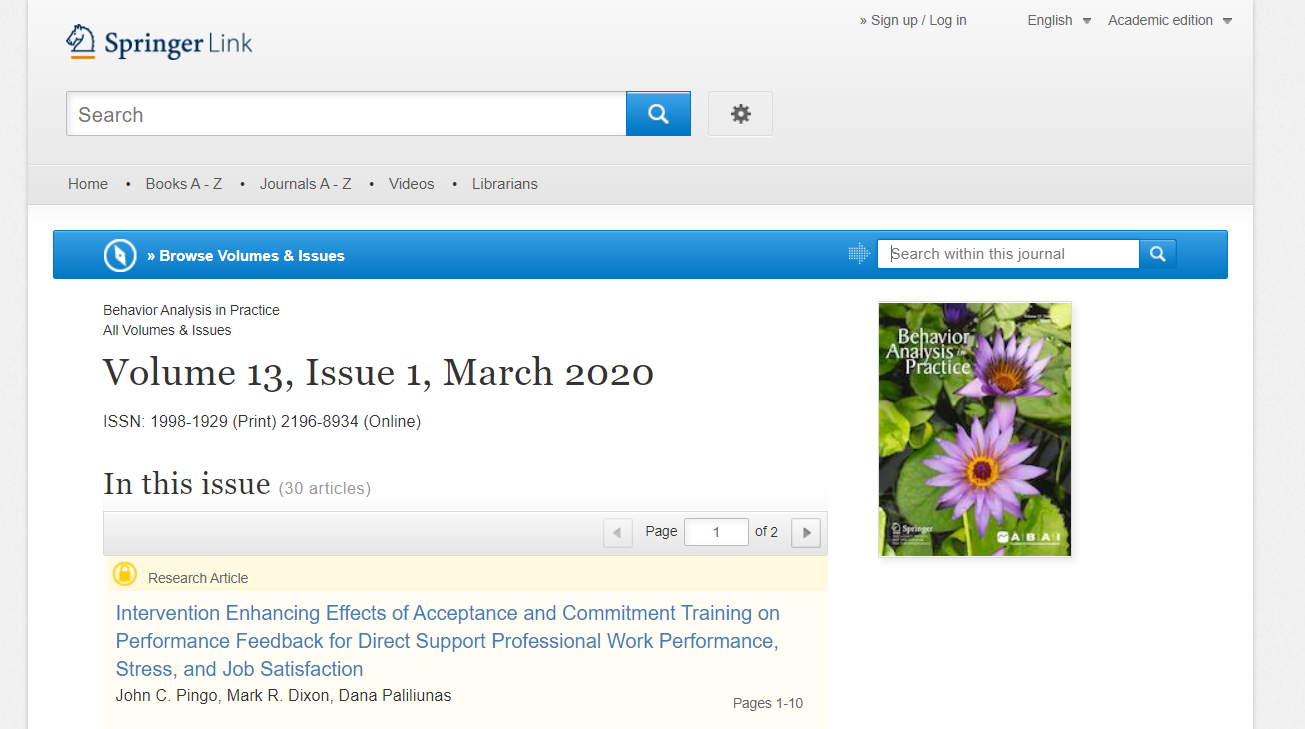
**Introduction**

The key role of behavior analyst is to integrate best available research developments with their work to provide the best services to the client. Across disciplines in which behavior analyst work, there has been consistent gap between what is being researched and implemented. Unfortunately, the limited access to the research development artifacts makes it hard for behavior analyst to work more effectively. This project seeks to gather all these scholarly and scientific artifacts that will improve the credibility of the services offered by behavior analysts. Therefore, having the significant and systematic access to research developments disseminated through formal and informal channels can help to structure their practice settings explicitly in decision making and thereby improving outcomes. This project aims to combine all the references in articles published in nine flagship behavior analytic journals. These journals are mainly related to the knowledge infrastructure of the field of behavior analysis. Gathering all the artifacts in one file would allow us to review and analyze the formal and informal channels that disseminates artifacts. It will also able to identify how many of that references are accessible by behavior analytic practitioners who are not associated with any businesses or organization.

**Data to be Retrieved**

We are extracting references from nine flagship journals that comprises the scope of peer-reviewed journals exclusively publishing behavior analytic research and supported by behavior analytic organizations.

* Journal from which References are to be extracted:
* Analysis of Verbal Behavior
* Behavior Analysis in Practice
* Behavior and Social Issues
* European Journal of Behavior Analysis
* Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis
* Journal of the Experimental Analysis of Behavior
* Mexican Journal of Behavior Analysis
* Perspectives on Behavior Science
* Psychological Record
* References are extracted from Journals using web scraping and extraction methodologies.



* Once all the references are scrapped, needful data is gathered from them

**Data Retrieval Approaches**

Each journal composed of multiple volumes with the number of published issues. The references that need to be extracted, are present in the articles of these issues. The format of the journals’ articles varies from one another which leads to follow different methods and packages for extracting the references. Each journal composed of multiple volumes with the number of published issues. The references that need to be extracted, are present in the articles of these issues.



We are using different web scraping methods for extracting references basically web scraping is used for [extracting data](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data_extraction) from [websites](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Website). Web scraping software may access the World Wide Web directly using the [Hypertext Transfer Protocol](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hypertext_Transfer_Protocol), or through a web browser. While web scraping can be done manually by a software user, the term typically refers to automated processes implemented using a [bot](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet_bot) or [web crawler](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Web_crawler). It is a form of copying, in which specific data is gathered and copied from the web, typically into a central local [database](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Database) or spreadsheet, for later [retrieval](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data_retrieval) or [analysis](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data_analysis).

The format of the journals’ articles varies from one another which leads to follow different methods for extracting the references as mentioned below.

* Beautiful Soup Package.

Beautiful Soup is the best Library to scrap the data from a particular website or the Internet. And it is most comfortable to work on also. It parses and extracts structured data from HTML and XML documents. Beautiful soup works with urllib. request module. Urllib module defines functions and classes which help in opening URLs (mostly HTTP) in a complex world — basic and digest authentication, redirections, cookies and it opens the url, which can be either a string or a Request object.

* Selenium.

Selenium is a framework which is designed to automate test for web applications. With the help of python script, it controls the browser interactions automatically such as link clicks and form submissions. Selenium uses WebDriver which is an open source tool for automated testing of webapps across many browsers. It provides capabilities for navigating to web pages, user input. Chrome Driver is a separate executable that Selenium WebDriver uses to control Chrome. It is maintained by the Chromium team with help from WebDriver contributors.

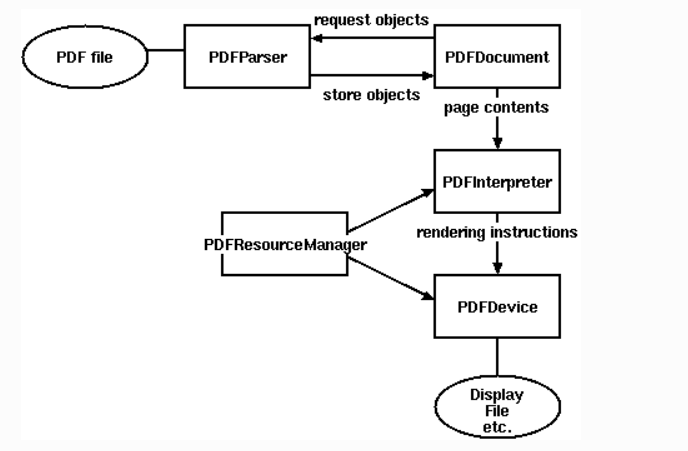
* Regular Expressions. (Regex)

Regular expressions, also called regex is widely used in natural language processing, web applications that require validating string input. A regex pattern is a special language used to represent generic text, numbers or symbols so it can be used to extract texts that conform to that pattern.

There are various parameters which are commonly used in regular expression i.e.

* Pattern: This is the regular expression to be matched.
* String: This is the string, which would be searched to match the pattern at the beginning of string.
* Flags: We can specify different flags using bitwise OR (|). These are modifiers, which are listed in the table below.
* Pdfminer Tool

Pdfminer is a tool for extracting information from PDF documents, it focuses entirely on getting and analyzing text data. Pdfminer allows one to obtain the exact location of text in a page, as well as other information such as fonts or lines. It includes a PDF converter that can transform PDF files into other text formats (such as HTML). It has an extensible PDF parser that can be used for other purposes than text analysis.



PDF file are big and complex structure, parsing a PDF file as a whole is time and memory consuming. However, not every part is needed for most PDF processing tasks. Therefore, Pdfminer takes a strategy of lazy parsing, which is to parse the stuff only when it's necessary. To parse PDF files, you need to use at least two classes: PDFParser and PDFDocument. These two objects are associated with each other. PDFParser fetches data from a file, and PDFDocument stores it. You'll also need PDFPageInterpreter to process the page contents and PDFDevice to translate it to whatever you need. PDFResourceManager is used to store shared resources such as fonts or images.

**Data Retrieval Process and Its Results**

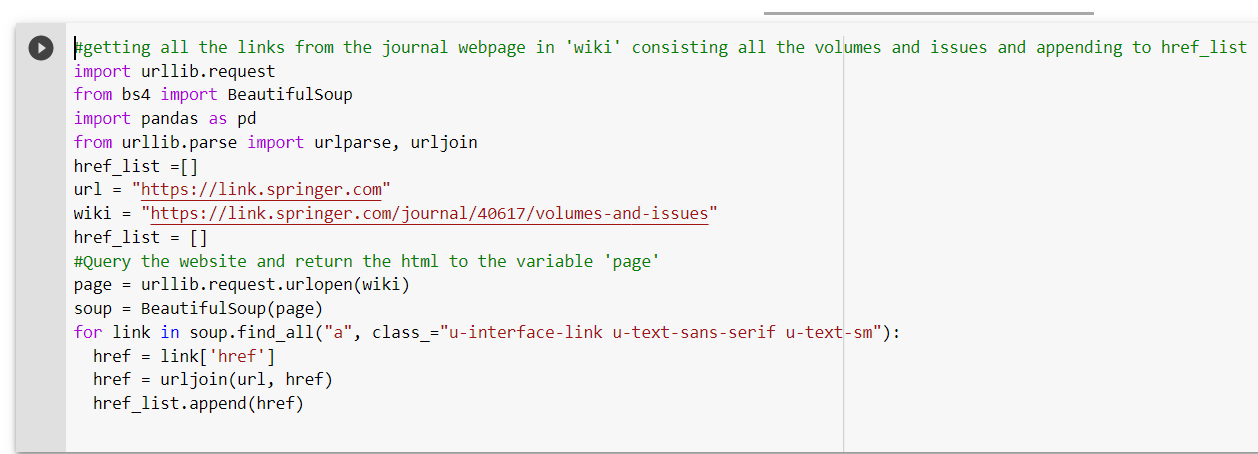
* Process 1

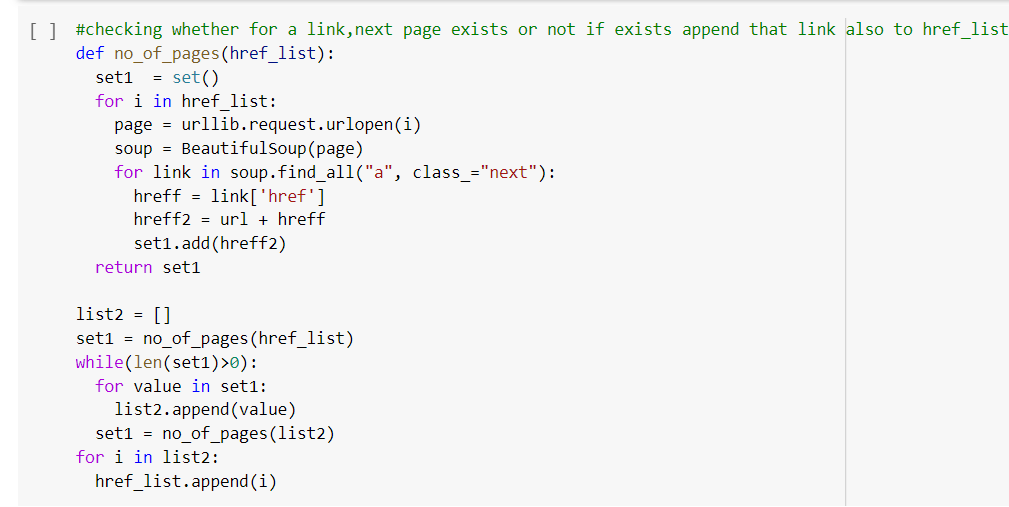
In this process we are extracting references using Beautiful soup, Urlib.request module and Regular expressions.

This process is used to collect references from below Journals –

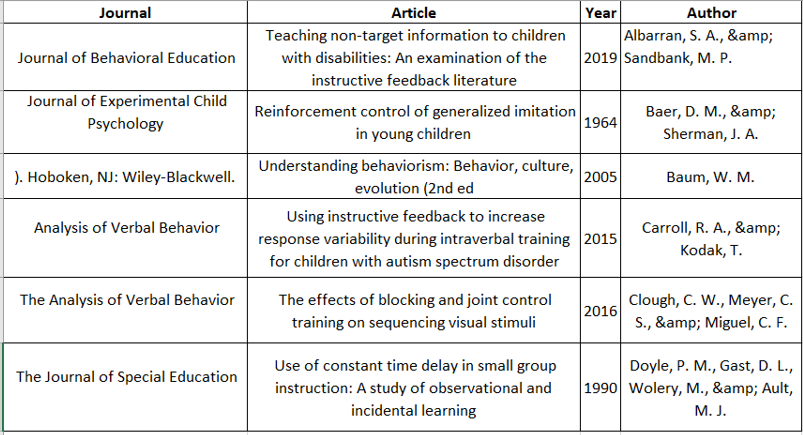
* Analysis of Verbal Behavior
* Behavior Analysis in Practice
* Behavior and Social Issues
* European Journal of Behavior Analysis

**Results:**









* Process 2

In this process we are extracting references using PDFMiner i.e. using PDFPageInterpreter, text converter, PDFResourceManager.

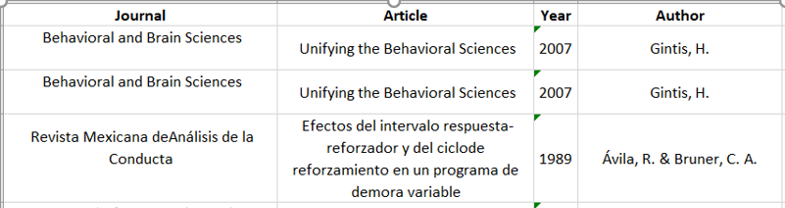
This process is used to collect references from below Journal –

* Mexican Journal of Behavior Analysis

**Results:**





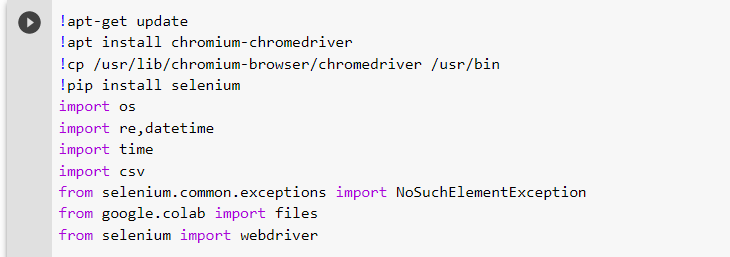


* Process 3

In this process we are extracting references using Selenium from below Journals.

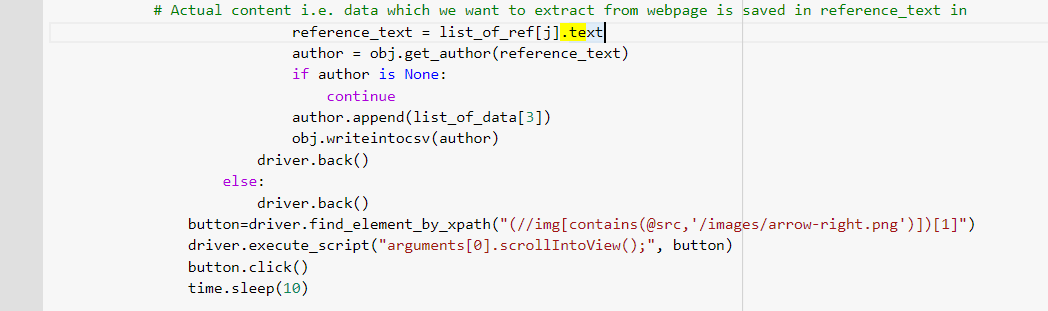
* Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis
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* Psychological Record

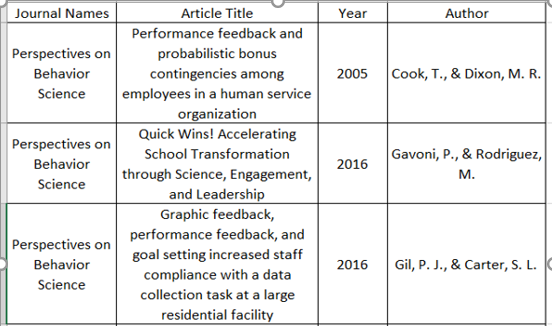
**Results:**











**Data Analysis**

Data analysis is a process of inspecting, cleansing, transforming and modeling data to discover useful information, informing conclusion and supporting decision-making. The results of the data analysis in this project will provide multiple facets and approaches that will help to make the decisions more scientific. Each journal composed of multiple volumes with the number of published issues. The references that need to be extracted, are present in the articles of these issues. The format of the journals’ articles varies from one another which leads to follow different methods for extracting the references as mentioned below.

* Article Topic Modeling.
* Journals that have appeared frequently.
* Articles name that have appeared frequently.
* Authors name that have appeared frequently.
* Year in which most of the articles are published

For conducting above analysis, we have used LDA, Pandas library.

* Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA)

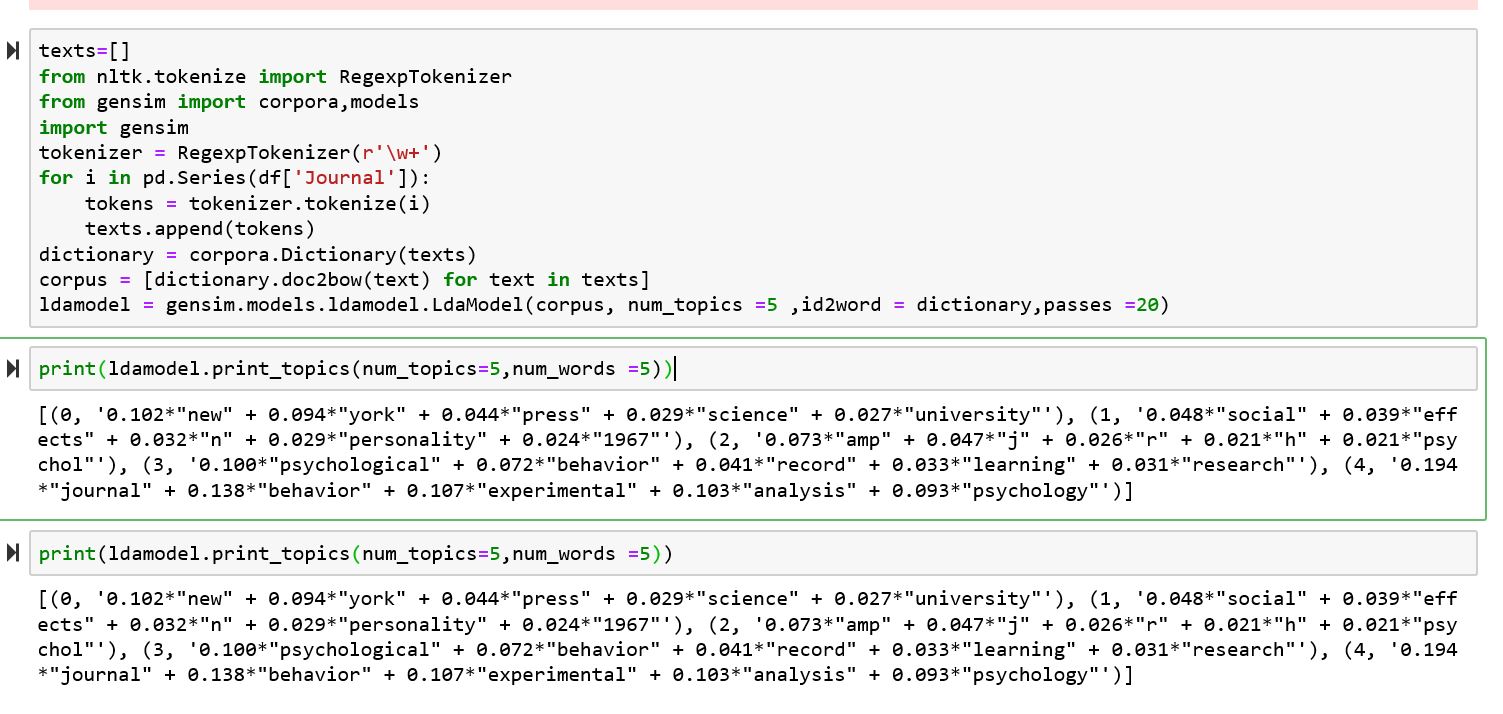
LDA is a [topic model](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Topic_model) that generates topics based on word frequency from a set of documents. It is particularly useful for finding reasonably accurate mixtures of topics within a given document set. Topic modeling tries to group the documents into clusters based on similar characteristics. A typical example of topic modeling is clustering a large number of newspaper articles that belong to the same category. To generate an LDA model, we need to understand how frequently each term occurs within each document. To do that, we need to construct a document-term matrix with a package called genism.

* What LDA actual does.?
* Determine the number of words in a document
* Determine the mixture of topics in that document
* Using each topic’s multinomial distribution, output words to fill the document’s word slot –i.e. it works on probability percentage and it fills that word according to that.
* Pandas

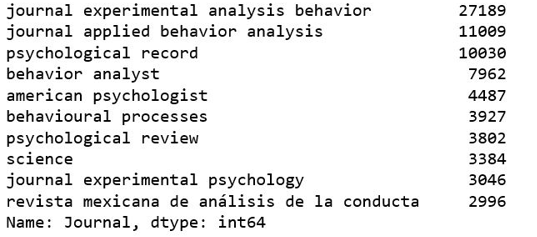
Pandas is a library written for the Python programming language for data manipulation and analysis. In particular, it offers data structures and operations for manipulating numerical tables and time series. It uses data frames. A Data frame is a two-dimensional data structure, i.e., data is aligned in a tabular fashion in rows and columns. Pandas Data Frame consists of three principal components, the data, rows, and columns.

**Data Analysis Results**

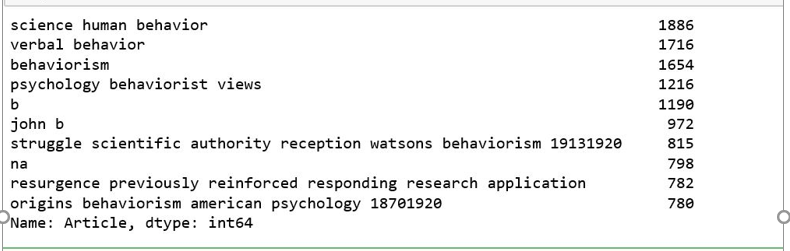
* Article Topic Modeling.



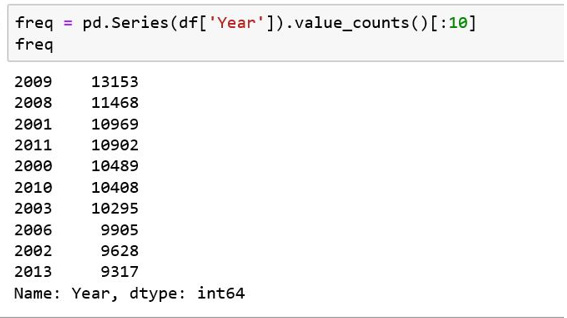
* Journals that have appeared frequently.



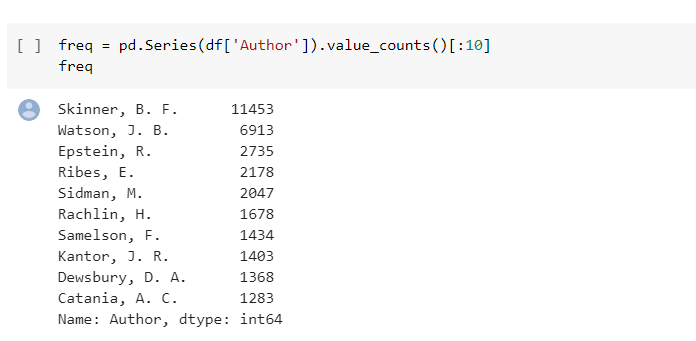
* Articles name that have appeared frequently.



* Authors name that have appeared frequently.



* Year in which most of the articles are published



**Conclusion**

* We have collected references from all articles of nine flagship by scraping web pages of Journals published on springer.com and onlinelibrary.wiley.com using beautiful soup package, pdfminer, Selenium and Regular expressions.
* All the extracted references are then saved in CSV file and data analysis is performed and number of frequently appeared articles name are calculated.
* Depending on analysis, now dissertation can be being applied to delineate the formal and informal dissemination artifacts and identified how many are accessible by these behaviors.

**Repository Link for Code and Result**

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