

Chapter-4

Collecting Text Data from Web

Objectives:-

- Extract and process data from web pages
- Describe different kinds of semi-structured data, such as JSON and XML
- Extract real time data using Application programming interfaces
- Extract data from various file format.

⇒ Semi structured Data

1) JSON

Java Script object notation

- Data is stored as key-value pair
- Datatype of values can be :
 - A string
 - A number
 - Another JSON object
 - An array
 - A Boolean
 - Null.

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2) XML

Extensible markup language.

- Human readable and extensible
- May or may not have a declaration, but if there's a declaration, it has to be the starting line.
- The declaration has three parts → Version, encoding, standalone.
- Can be represented as a tree called XML tree.

⇒ Using API's to retrieve real time data.

Application programming interface

~~Some~~

Some websites do not provide their data directly. Instead they provide API's using which we can extract data from them.