

System Design - Crawler

Design a web crawling system that can visit millions of web pages per day, extract structured data, and store it for later analysis. Consider scalability, fault tolerance, and security.

Functional

- 1. Accept a list of URLs to crawl
- 2. Download HTML and relevant assets
- 3. Parse and extract structured data
- 4. Avoid visiting duplicate URLs
- 5. Store extracted data

Non-Functional

- 1. High concurrency
- 2. Rate limiting
- 3. Fault tolerance and retry logic
- 4. Security

Storage:

$2\text{ KB (per website)} * 100,000,000\text{ (sites month)} = 200,000,000\text{ KB} = 200,000\text{ GB} = 200\text{ TB}$

Band width:

$4,500,000\text{ (sites day)} * 10\text{ KB (HTML)} = 45,000,000\text{ KB} = 45,000\text{ GB} = 45\text{ TB/day} * 30 = 1350\text{ TB/day}$

