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DATA EXTRACTION- GETTING DATA FROM THE INTERNET- PART 2

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Getting Data from Web: Part 1

What we need to know?

1. The basics of web pages: HTML & CSS
2. Sending, receiving and processing HTTP requests
3. Parsing the HTML returned by the HTTP request and extracting information from it

Getting Data from Web: Part 1

HTML: HyperText Markup Language

- Formats text
- Tagged elements (nested)
- Attributes
- Derived from SGML (but who cares!)
- Closely related to XML
- Can contain runnable scripts

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Anatomy of an html page

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Your World!</title>
    <meta name="viewport" content="initial-scale=1.0">
    <meta charset="utf-8">
    <style...>
  </head>
  <body>
      <h1>Where you are in this world!</h1>
    <div id="map"></div>
    <script...>
    <script src="https://maps.googleapis.com/maps/api/js?key=AIzaSyCZMfpOsDAqVwnNJHI
    <div class="listbox">
    <h3 class="format">There's a lot you can do with HTML!</h3>
    <ul...>

</div>
  </body>
</html>
```

!DOCTYPE tells the client that this is html (as opposed to XML, JSON, etc.)

<html> all html stuff is sandwiched between an open <html> and a close </html>

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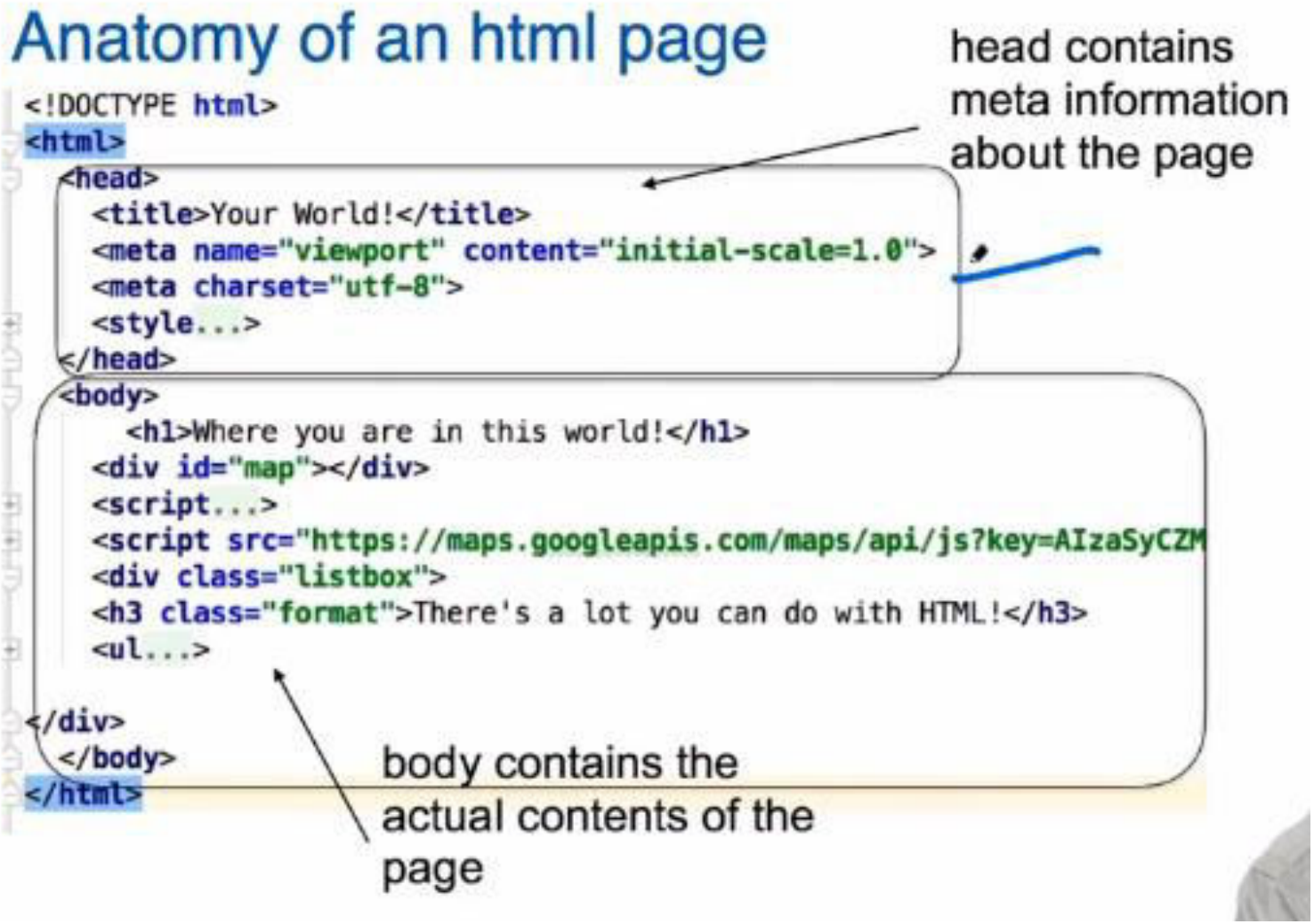

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The head

```
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Your World!</title>
    <meta name="viewport" content="initial-scale=1.0">
    <meta charset="utf-8">
    <style>
      html, body {
        height: 100%;
        margin: 0;
        padding: 0;
      }
      #map {
        height: 40%;
       width: 500px;
      }
     h3.format {
        color: blue;
     }
     div.listbox {
        background: lightgreen;
        width: 500px;
     }
    </style>
  </head>
```

title the page name

charset the character coding used. 80% of web pages use utf-8

style CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) a language for defining formats used in the page CSS stylesheets are often stored separately and linked into the html page

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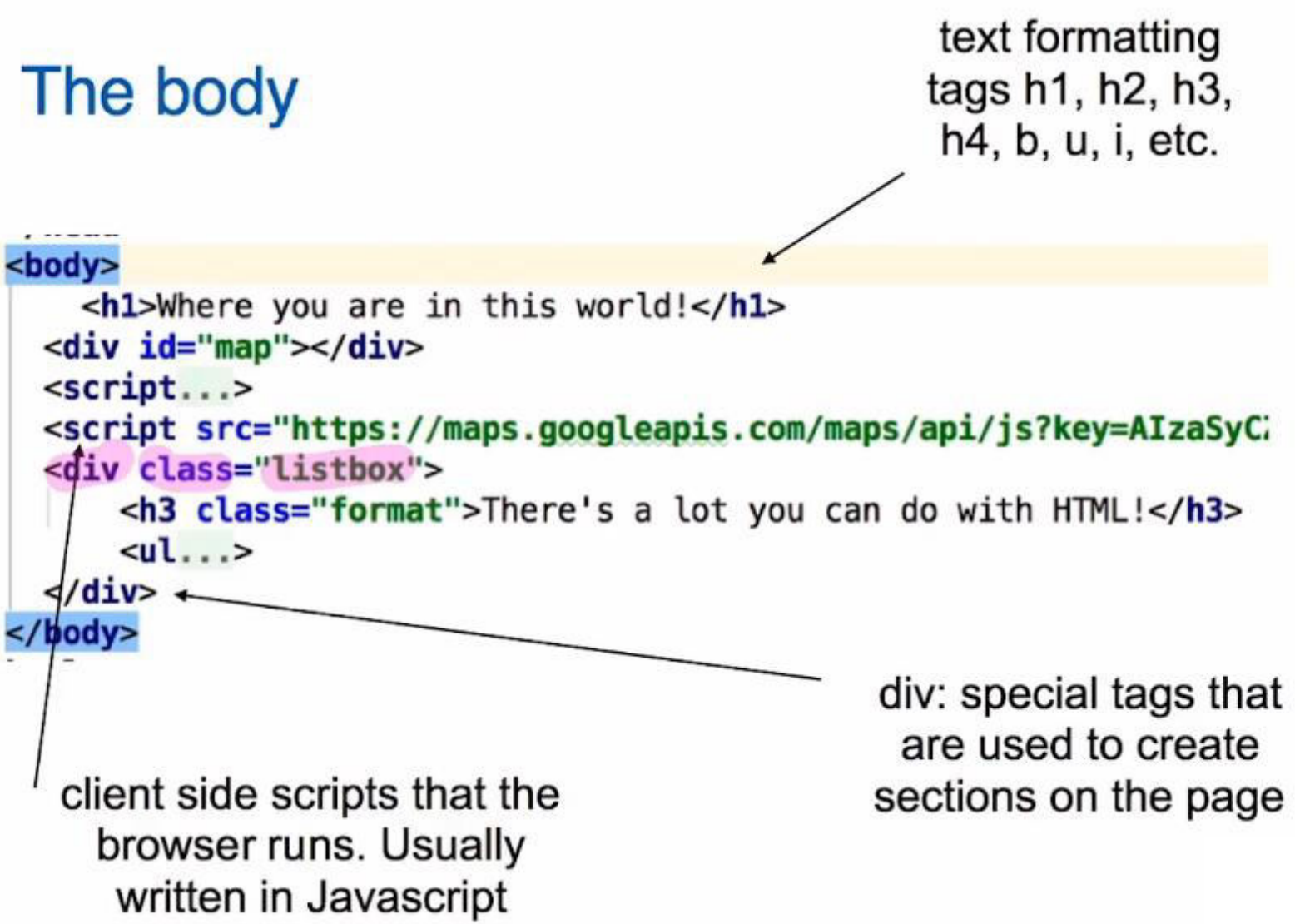

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<p> - paragraph tag

CSS Selectors

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title>Title</title>
    <style>
        h1.heading_format {
            color: blueviolet
        }
        div.explain_box {
            width: 250px;
            color: black;
            background: beige;
        }
        #cursive_green_font {
            font-family: "Brush Script MT";
            color: green;
        }
    </style>
</head>
<body>
<h1 class="heading_format">CSS Examples</h1>
<div class="explain_box">
    Off with her head!' the Queen shouted at the top of her voice. Nobody moved.
    <p>
        'Who cares for you?' said Alice, (she had grown to her full size by this time.) 'You're
nothing but a pack of cards!'
    </p>
</div>
<p id="cursive_green_font">'Wake up, Alice dear!' said her sister; 'Why, what a long sleep you've
had!'</p>
</body>
</html>
```

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<a> - annotate tag

CSS Selectors

CSS selectors help locate useful information on a web page

```
<div class="stock_table">
   <table>
   .......
   </table>
</div>

<div class="news_headlines">
   <ul>
     <li><a href="h1">Apple releases a new ..</a>
   </ul>
</div>
```

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Under 'forms' tag, 'input type' tag holds different types of data like text, numbers, radio buttons, checkbox etc.

Forms

```
<body>
<h1>Forms: Data entry on web pages</h1>
<form action="After_form.html" method="get">
   <b>Your Name</b>
   <input type="text" name="your_name"><br>
   <b>Sex</b>
   Male<input type="radio" name="sex" value="Male">
   Female<input type="radio" name="sex" value="Female"><br>
   Homework Completed?
   <input type="checkbox" name="homework" value="done"><br>
   <input type="submit" name="Submit" value="submit">
   <input type="submit" name="Run" value="run">
</form>
</body>
</html>
```

Forms get data from the client

Web Scraping

Automating the process of extracting information from web pages

* for data collection and analysis
* for incorporating in a web app

Web Scraping: Issues

Legal and ethical issues

- Often against the 'Terms of Use' of a web site
- factual, non-proprietary data is generally ok
- proprietary data scraping depends on what you do with it
- potential or actual damage to the scrapee (denial of service)
- Public vs. private information
- Purpose
- Try to get the information openly
- Is there a public interest involved

Web Scraping: Libraries

Libraries for web scraping

requests: handles http requests and responses

Beautiful Soup: utilizes the 'tag structure' of an html page to quickly parse the contents of a page and retrieve data

Selenium: emulates a browser. Useful when a page contains scripts

Web Scraping

BeautifulSoup4

- HTML (and XML) parser
- Uses 'tags'

- Creates a parse tree (using lxml/html5lib or other python parser)
- Can handle incomplete tagging

- tags are organized in hierarchical dictionaries

https://www.crummy.com/software/BeautifulSoup/bs4/doc/

BeautifulSoup4: Part 1

```
import requests
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
url = "http://www.epicurious.com/search/Tofu%20Chili"
response = requests.get(url)
page_soup = BeautifulSoup(response.content,'lxml')
print(page_soup.prettify())
```

page_soup is the object from which we will extract the data

the parsing library. either lxml (fast) or html5lib

BeautifulSoup4: Part 1

The http request response cycle

In [2]:
```
url = "http://www.epicurious.com/search/Tofu Chili"
response = requests.get(url)
if response.status_code == 200:
    print("Success")
else:
    print("Failure")
```

```
Success
```

In [ ]:
```
keywords = input("Please enter the things you want to see in a recipe")
url = "http://www.epicurious.com/search/" + keywords
response = requests.get(url)
if response.status_code == 200:
    print("Success")
else:
    print("Failure")
```

BeautifulSoup4: Part 2

BeautifulSoup functions

<tag>.find(<tag_name>,attribute=value)	finds the first matching child tag (recursively)
<tag>.find_all(<tag_name>,attribute=value)	finds all matching child tags (recursively)
<tag>.get_text()	returns the marked up text
<tag>.parent	returns the (immediate) parent
<tag>.parents	returns all parents (recursively)
<tag>.children	returns the (direct) children
<tag>.descendants	returns all children (recursively)
<tag>.get(attribute)	returns the value of the specified attribute

BeautifulSoup4: Part 3

Obtain specific tags and values visible on site

```
In [ ]: #When using this method and looking for 'class' use 'class_' (because class is a reserved word in python)
        #Note that we get a list back because find_all returns a list
        results_page.find_all('article',class_="recipe-content-card")
```

```
In [ ]: #Since we're using a string as the key, the fact that class is a reserved word is not a problem
        #We get an element back because find returns an element
        results_page.find('article',{'class':'recipe-content-card'})
```

Add .get text function to get content visible on the site

get_text() returns the marked up text (the content) enclosed in a tag.

- returns a string

```
In [19]: results_page.find('article',{'class':'recipe-content-card'}).get_text()
```

```
Out[19]: "recipeSpicy Lemongrass TofuDau hu xa ot\nEditor's note: The recipe and introductory text below are excerpted from Pl
easures of the Vietnamese Table by Mai Pham and are part of our story on Lunar New Year.\nWhile traveling on a train
one time to the coastal town of Nha Trang, I sat next to an elderly nun. Over the course of our bumpy eight-hour ride
, she shared stories of life at the temple and the difficult years after the end of the war when the Communist govern
ment cracked down on religious factions. Toward the end of our chat, she pulled out a bag of food she'd prepared for
the trip. It was tofu that had been cooked in chilies, lemongrass and la lot, an aromatic leaf also known as pepper l
eaf. When she gave me a taste, I knew immediately that I had to learn how to make it. This is my rendition of that fa
bulous dish. Make sure to pat the tofu dry before marinating it and use very fresh lemongrass. I always love serving
this to friends who think tofu dishes are bland.Average user rating3.5/4Reviews17Percentage of reviewers who will mak
e this recipe again88%View “Spicy Lemongrass Tofu”View RecipeQuick viewCompare Recipe"
```

Epicurious Example: Part 1

A function that returns a list containing recipe names, recipe descriptions (if any) and recipe urls

In [10]:
```
def get_recipes(keywords):
    recipe_list = list()
    import requests
    from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
    url = "http://www.epicurious.com/search/" + keywords
    response = requests.get(url)
    if not response.status_code == 200:
        return recipe_list
    try:
        results_page = BeautifulSoup(response.content,'lxml')
        recipes = results_page.find_all('article',class_="recipe-content-card")
        print(recipes)
    except:
        return recipe_list
    return recipe_list
```

In [11]:
```
get_recipes("Tofu Chili")
```

```
[<article class="recipe-content-card" data-has-quickview="false" data-index="0" data-reactid="72" itemscope="" itemty
pe="http://schema.org/Recipe"><header class="summary" data-reactid="73"><strong class="tag" data-reactid="74">recipe<
/strong><h4 class="hed" data-reactid="75" data-truncate="3" itemprop="name"><a data-reactid="76" href="/recipes/food/
views/spicy-lemongrass-tofu-233844">Spicy Lemongrass Tofu</a></h4><p class="dek" data-reactid="77" data-truncate="1">
Dau hu xa ot
Editor's note: The recipe and introductory text below are excerpted from Pleasures of the Vietnamese Table by Mai Pha
m and are part of our story on Lunar New Year.
While traveling on a train one time to the coastal town of Nha Trang, I sat next to an elderly nun. Over the course o
f our bumpy eight-hour ride, she shared stories of life at the temple and the difficult years after the end of the wa
r when the Communist government cracked down on religious factions. Toward the end of our chat, she pulled out a bag
of food she'd prepared for the trip. It was tofu that had been cooked in chilies, lemongrass and la lot, an aromatic
leaf also known as pepper leaf. When she gave me a taste, I knew immediately that I had to learn how to make it. This
is my rendition of that fabulous dish. Make sure to pat the tofu dry before marinating it and use very fresh lemongra
ss. I always love serving this to friends who think tofu dishes are bland.</p><dl class="recipes-ratings-summary" dat
a-reactid="78" data-reviews-count="17" data-reviews-rating="3.38" itemprop="aggregateRating" itemscope="" itemtype="h
ttp://schema.org/AggregateRating"><dt class="rating-label" data-reactid="79">Average user rating</dt><span class="rev
iews-count-container" data-reactid="80"><dd class="rating" data-rating="3.5" data-reactid="81"><span data-reactid="82
" itemprop="ratingValue">3.5</span><!-- react-text: 83 -->/<!-- /react-text --><span data-reactid="84" itemprop="best
Rating">4</span><meta content="0" data-reactid="85" itemprop="worstRating"/></dd><dt class="reviews-count-label" data
-reactid="86">Reviews</dt><dd class="reviews-count" data-reactid="87" itemprop="reviewCount">17</dd></span><span clas
s="make-again-container" data-reactid="88"><dt class="make-again-percentage-label" data-reactid="89">Percentage of re
viewers who will make this recipe again</dt><dd class="make-again-percentage" data-reactid="90"><!-- react-text: 91 -
->88<!-- /react-text --><!-- react-text: 92 -->%<!-- /react-text --></dd></span></dl></header><a class="photo-link" d
ata-reactid="93" href="/recipes/food/views/spicy-lemongrass-tofu-233844"><div class="photo-wrap" data-reactid="94"><d
iv class="component-lazy pending" data-component="Lazy" data-reactid="95"></div></div></a><a class="view-complete-ite
m" data-reactid="96" href="/recipes/food/views/spicy-lemongrass-tofu-233844" itemprop="url" title="Spicy Lemongrass T
ofu"><!-- react-text: 97 -->View “<!-- /react-text --><!-- react-text: 98 -->Spicy Lemongrass Tofu<!-- /react-text --
><!-- react-text: 99 -->”<!-- /react-text --></a><div class="recipe-panel " data-reactid="100"><a class="view-complet
e-item" data-reactid="101" href="/recipes/food/views/spicy-lemongrass-tofu-233844">View Recipe</a><div class="control
```

Epicurious Example: Part 2

Obtain clickable links of URL

```
response = requests.get(url)
if not response.status_code == 200:
    return recipe_list
try:
    results_page = BeautifulSoup(response.content,'lxml')
    recipes = results_page.find_all('article',class_="recipe-content-card")
    for recipe in recipes:
        recipe_name = recipe.find('a').get_text()
        recipe_link = 'http://www.epicurious.com' + recipe.find('a').get('href')
        print(recipe_name,recipe_link)
except:
    return recipe_list
return recipe_list
```

```
In [15]: get_recipes("Tofu Chili")
```

```
Spicy Lemongrass Tofu http://www.epicurious.com/recipes/food/views/spicy-lemongrass-tofu-233844
Chinese Egg Noodles with Smoked Duck and Snow Peas http://www.epicurious.com/recipes/food/views/chinese-egg-noodles-with-smoked-duck-and-snow-peas-354302
```

Obtain description of the recipe

```
            recipe_description = recipe.find('p',class_='dek')
            recipe_list.append((recipe_name,recipe_link,recipe_description))
    except:
        return recipe_list
    return recipe_list
```

```
In [17]: get_recipes("Tofu Chili")
```

```
Out[17]: [('Spicy Lemongrass Tofu',
  'http://www.epicurious.com/recipes/food/views/spicy-lemongrass-tofu-233844',
  <p class="dek" data-reactid="77" data-truncate="1">Dau hu xa ot
  Editor's note: The recipe and introductory text below are excerpted from Pleasures of the Vietnamese Table by Mai Pham and are part of our story on Lunar New Year.
  While traveling on a train one time to the coastal town of Nha Trang, I sat next to an elderly nun. Over the course of our bumpy eight-hour ride, she shared stories of life at the temple and the difficult years after the end of the war when the Communist government cracked down on religious factions. Toward the end of our chat, she pulled out a bag of food she'd prepared for the trip. It was tofu that had been cooked in chilies, lemongrass and la lot, an aromatic leaf also known as pepper leaf. When she gave me a taste, I knew immediately that I had to learn how to make it. This is my rendition of that fabulous dish. Make sure to pat the tofu dry before marinating it and use very fresh lemongrass. I always love serving this to friends who think tofu dishes are bland.</p>),
 ('Chinese Egg Noodles with Smoked Duck and Snow Peas',
  'http://www.epicurious.com/recipes/food/views/chinese-egg-noodles-with-smoked-duck-and-snow-peas-354302',
  <p class="dek" data-reactid="240" data-truncate="1">If you live near a Chinese market, pick up barbecued or smoked duck there. Otherwise, smoked chicken or turkey from the supermarket (or leftover roast chicken) would be terrific tossed with the noodles. To make it a meal, add a platter of chilled silken tofu. Drizzle the tofu with soy sauce and chili sauce, then top with chopped green onions. Coconut ice cream with fresh berries and lychees would make a nice dessert.</p>)]
```

Epicurious Example: Part 3

Obtain ingredient and preparation steps

```
In [ ]: def get_recipe_info(recipe_link):
            recipe_dict = dict()
            import requests
            from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
            try:
                response = requests.get(recipe_link)
                if not response.status_code == 200:
                    return recipe_dict
                result_page = BeautifulSoup(response.content,'lxml')
                ingredient_list = list()
                prep_steps_list = list()
                for ingredient in result_page.find_all('li',class_='ingredient'):
                    ingredient_list.append(ingredient.get_text())
                for prep_step in result_page.find_all('li',class_='preparation-step'):
                    prep_steps_list.append(prep_step.get_text().strip())
                recipe_dict['ingredients'] = ingredient_list
                recipe_dict['preparation'] = prep_steps_list
                return recipe_dict
            except:
                return recipe_dict
```

Logging to a Web Server: Part 2

In [28]:
```
with open('wikidata.txt') as f:
    contents = f.read().split('\n')
    username = contents[0]
    password = contents[1]
```

Construct an object that contains the data to be sent to the login page

Dictionary

In [29]:
```
payload = {
    'wpName': username,
    'wpPassword': password,
    'wploginattempt': 'Log in',
    'wpEditToken': "+\\",
    'title': "Special:UserLogin",
    'authAction': "login",
    'force': "",
    'wpForceHttps': "1",
    'wpFromhttp': "1",
    #'wpLoginToken': '', #We need to read this from the page
    }
```

get the value of the login token

Login Token

In [ ]:
```
def get_login_token(response):
    soup = BeautifulSoup(response.text, 'lxml')
    token = soup.find('input',{'name':"wpLoginToken"}).get('value')
    return token
```

Logging to a Web Server: Part 2

Set up a session, login and get data

In [33]:
```
import requests
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
with requests.session() as s:
    response = s.get('https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Special:UserLogin&returnto=Main+Page')
    payload['wpLoginToken'] = get_login_token(response)
    #Send the login request
    response_post = s.post('https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Special:UserLogin&action=submitlogin&type=login'
                           data=payload)
    #Get another page and check if we're still logged in
    response = s.get('https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Special:Watchlist')
    data = BeautifulSoup(response.content,'lxml')
    print(data.find('div',class_='mw-changeslist').get_text())
```

```
17 May 2017
(diff | hist) . . Talk:Main Page; 22:25 . . (+168)  . . Bencherlite (talk | contribs) (→TFA subheadings:  close, fuss
over nothing)

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(diff | hist) . . Big Bang; 17:03 . . (+11)  . . Rivertorch (talk | contribs) (Undid revision 780518489 by Greasemann
(talk) Cosmological model, i.e., science)
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