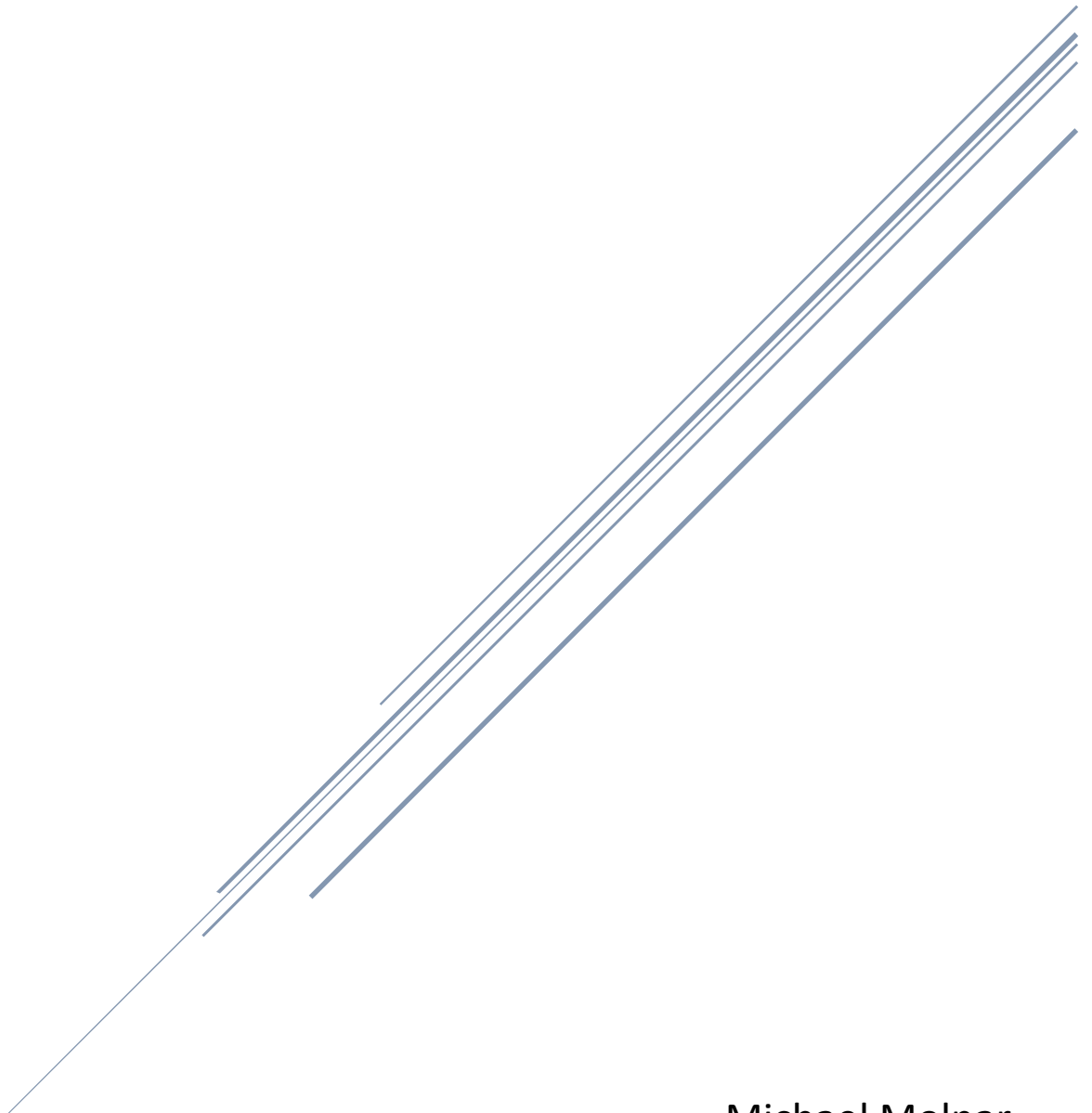


# PERIODICALLY WEB SCRAPING PR NEWSWIRE AND YAHOO FINANCE

AIDI 1100 – Final Project



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## **Abstract:**

The aim of this project is to write a Python module that will automatically scan and parse news from the PR Newswire website every minute. For each piece of new news, the program will retrieve its title, publication date and time, and any stock symbols that it contains. For each of these stock symbols it will retrieve historical stock information from Yahoo Finance. Finally, it will plot two visualizations for each of the stock symbols found in the article – one showing the opening and closing for the previous five days, and the second showing the volume over the same time period.

The first time my module is run, it will retrieve the latest article from the news list and store its href into a global variable, keeping track of the latest processed article. For this first article, the title, publication date, and any contained stock symbols will be printed as output. If there are symbols, the stock information will be retrieved, and the plots will be generated and displayed.

Once a minute has passed the module will scan the news again. The hrefs will be extracted and compared against the current latest processed article. If there are no new articles, an output is printed advising of this. If there are new articles, for each I create a dictionary containing the details – title, href, date, and symbols mentioned. I print the summary output and display plots for any symbols that appear.

Article data for all news articles will be appended to a csv file as they are found. Stock information, for stock symbols that are mentioned, will be appended to a separate csv file. All plots generated will be displayed on the screen for 10 seconds and then stored into a folder. The plots are named according to their symbol and the current date for ease of reference.

## **Project Architecture:**

I make use of the following libraries:

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1  """
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7  """
8
9  # Import needed libraries
10 import pandas as pd
11 import numpy as np
12 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
13 import requests
14 from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
15 import yfinance as yf
16 import os
17 from pynput import keyboard
18 import time
19 from datetime import date
20
21 # Create to global variables
22 # baseurl is to simplify web requests
23 global baseurl
24 baseurl = 'https://www.prnewswire.com/'
25
26 # latest href will keep track of the most recent processed news article
27 global latest_href
28 latest_href = ''
29

```

Figure 1 – Libraries and Global Variables

Besides the usual libraries I use requests and BeautifulSoup for parsing, yfinance for retrieving stock prices, os to make a folder to store plots, keyboard to allow the user to stop continuously scanning, time to allow the scan to run every minute, and date in naming the plots. I set two global variables here. The addresses to all the news articles are the PR Newswire URL followed by a unique HREF. I set a global variable, "latest\_href", so that I can keep track of the latest processed article. This will be updated as new articles are found and processed. On the news articles list, the articles are within a class called "news-releases". Both the href and the article's title are available here.

20:49 ET  
**RM LAW Announces Class Action Lawsuit Against JOYY Inc.**  
 RM LAW, P.C. announces that a class action lawsuit has been filed on behalf of all persons or entities that purchased JOYY Inc. ("JOYY" or the...



```

<small>20:49 ET</small>
<div class="news-release" href="/news-releases/rm-law-announces-class-action-lawsuit-against-joyy-inc-20191203.html" title="RM LAW Announces Class Action Lawsuit Against JOYY Inc."/>
  <p></p>
</div>

```

Figure 2 – Location of Article Titles and HREFs

Having the href, I make another request to the actual article. Within an article I extract the publication date from the class "mb-no".

RM LAW Announces Class Action Lawsuit Against JOYY Inc.



NEWS PROVIDED BY  
 RM LAW, P.C. →  
 Dec 03, 2020, 20:49 ET



```

<div class="row"></div>
<div class="row"></div>
<div class="row">
  <div class="col-lg-6 col-lg-offset-1 col-sm-5 col-sm-offset-1">
    <p class="meta">News provided by</p>
    <a href="/news-releases/rm-law-announces-class-action-lawsuit-against-joyy-inc-20191203.html" title="RM LAW Announces Class Action Lawsuit Against JOYY Inc."/>
    <p class="mb-no">Dec 03, 2020, 20:49 ET</p>
  </div>
  <div class="col-lg-4 col-sm-5"></div>
</div>
<div class="row"></div>

```

Figure 3 – Location of Article Publication Date

The stock symbols, if the article contains any, are located with a class called "ticket-symbol".

BERWYN, Pa., Dec. 3, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- RM LAW, P.C. announces that a class action lawsuit has been filed on behalf of all persons or entities that purchased JOYY Inc. ("JOYY" or the "Company") (NASDAQ:YY) securities during the period from April 28, 2016 through November 18, 2020 inclusive (the "Class Period").

```

<div class="ticket-symbol" data-toggle="modal" href="#financial-modal">YY</div> -- $0
") securities during the period from "
<span class="xn-chron">April 28, 2016</span>
  <div class="xn-chron">November 18, 2020</div>

```

Figure 4 – Location of Stock Tickers

Opening various articles, I discovered a few things about this class. For one thing, the majority of the articles do not contain any stock symbols. In these cases this class does not exist. Secondly, some articles contain multiple stock symbol references, either to the same symbol or to multiple. To handle this I have created a loop to retrieve all instances of the "ticket-symbol" class. I then make this list a set to remove duplicates.

For each article I make a dictionary containing its title, href, date of publication, and the stock symbols it contains. I append these into a csv file so that as new articles are retrieved their details are added chronologically into the file.

For the stock symbols I use the Python module yfinance (<https://pypi.org/project/yfinance/>) to retrieve historical stock information by stock symbol. I append the symbol as a column to the generated Data Frame for clarity once it is written to a csv file. I retrieve the last five days' opens and closes and volume data, and I create two time series plots with these. The title of the article is printed at the top of the plot.

Retrieved stock information is appended to a separate csv file for future reference. The plots are displayed on screen and then saved into a folder.

To achieve a module that continuously runs without user interaction I make use of a keyboard listener and a while loop, and I use the time module to rescan after a certain amount of time – set for 60 seconds – has elapsed. I update the variable “latest\_href” as a reference point so that upon each scan, only articles that are newer than this are processed. With this method I am not duplicating the parsing and stock retrieval for the same article more than once.

### **Project Solution and Code:**

The first time the program is run I want it to retrieve the latest article. Using requests and BeautifulSoup I extract the first article from the news-release class. I use the href of this article as my stopping point for already processed news the next time the scanning takes place. A second request into the article is to retrieve the date and stock symbol information. A dictionary of information is created and printed to the screen. The function returns two things – the set of contained stock symbols and the article's title. These will be used for plotting the stock information. I append this article's information to a csv file.

```

38 def initial_run():
39     # On first run, create "Plots" folder if it does not exist
40     # This program can be restarted at any time, so check if it already exists
41     if not os.path.exists('Plots'):
42         os.makedirs('Plots')
43
44     # Request the content of PR Newswire News Release List
45     page = requests.get('https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/news-releases-list/', timeout=1000)
46     soup = BeautifulSoup(page.content, 'html.parser')
47
48     # Find the most current news article
49     article = soup.find('a', attrs={'class': 'news-release'})
50     # Extract its href
51     url = article.attrs['href']
52     # Extract its title
53     title = article.text
54
55     # Request and parse the article
56     page2 = requests.get(baseurl + url)
57     soup2 = BeautifulSoup(page2.text, 'html.parser')
58
59     # Extract the publication date
60     results = soup2.find_all('p', attrs={'class': 'mb-no'})
61     day = results[0].text
62
63     # Extract all symbols from the article
64     results2 = soup2.find_all('a', attrs={'class': 'ticket-symbol'})
65     # Create a list for if there is more than one
66     symbols = []
67     for symbol in results2:
68         symbols.append(symbol.text)
69     # Remove any publicates
70     symbols = set(symbols)
71
72     # Set symbols to None if there were none
73     if not symbols:
74         symbols = None
75

```

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76 # Create a dictionary for the newest article
77 newest_dict = {'Title' : title,
78               'URL' : url,
79               'Date' : day,
80               'Symbols' : symbols
81               }
82 # Turn into a DataFrame and append to the csv file
83 # The tile will be created here if it does not already exist
84 article_data = pd.DataFrame(newest_dict, index=[0])
85 article_data.to_csv('article_data.csv', mode='a', index=False, header=False)
86
87 # Update the global variable latest_href as a reference point
88 global latest_href
89 latest_href = url
90
91 # Print the summary to the screen
92 print("Title: ", title)
93 print('Date: ', day)
94 print('Stock Symbols Mentioned: ', symbols)
95 print('\n')
96
97 return symbols, title

```

Figure 5 – Initial\_run Function

### Retrieving Stock Information by Symbols

As mentioned I make use of the yfinance module for this part of the task. This function takes a stock symbol as input and retrieves the historical data for it from Yahoo Finance.

```

215 """
216 This function takes as input a stock symbol. It uses yfinance to retrieve the historic
217 stock information for it. What returns is a data frame, and a column is added to
218 include the stock symbol. The data is appended to a second csv file and then dataframe
219 is returned.
220 """
221 def get_tickers(sym):
222     # Use yfinance to retrieve historical stock information by symbol
223     stock = yf.Ticker(sym)
224     # Get the history for the past five days
225     stock_hist = stock.history(period='5d')
226     # A data frame is created, so create a new column containing the stock symbol
227     stock_hist['Symbol'] = sym
228
229     # Append to csv file
230     stock_hist.to_csv('stock_data.csv', mode='a', header=False)
231
232     # Return the dataframe for plotting
233     return stock_hist
234
235

```

Figure 6 – Get\_tickers Function

After this function is called a dataframe is returned. This is a sample of the dataframe generated for the stock symbol “MSFT”.

stock_hist								
	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Dividends	Stock Splits	Symbol
Date								
2020-11-30	64.570903	64.570903	62.862778	62.862778	5714800	0.00	0	MSFT
2020-12-01	63.820071	64.392575	63.698065	64.270569	7896100	0.00	0	MSFT
2020-12-02	64.129792	64.927541	64.092250	64.889999	1980800	0.00	0	MSFT
2020-12-03	64.949997	65.349998	64.750000	65.000000	6836200	4.25	0	MSFT
2020-12-04	65.050003	65.690002	65.040001	65.589996	1949000	0.00	0	MSFT

Figure 7 – Sample Output of get\_tickers

Next comes the plotting. I am generating two subplots for each stock symbol I find – one showing the opens and closes on the same axis, and the other showing the volume, both over the previous five days of trading. I am printing the article’s title at the top of the plot. This function takes in the previously created stocks data frame, the article’s title, and a stock symbol. It will be called for each symbol found within each article.

```

236 """
237 This function takes three inputs - the data frame created by the get_tickers function,
238 and the symbol and article title from the dictionary created by get_details. It creates
239 two subplots - one displaying opens and closes for the last five days, the other
240 showing volume for the same timeframe. The article title is printed above the plot
241 and the symbol is used in the plot titles. Plots are displayed on screen for 10
242 seconds and then saved to the Plots folder - named according to their symbol and
243 today's date.
244 """
245 def make_plots(stocks_df, sym, headline):
246     fig = plt.figure(figsize=(15,5))
247     # The first subplot consists of the opens as closes for the stock over the last five days
248     # These are plotted as lines on the same axis
249     ax1 = fig.add_subplot(1,2,1)
250     ax1.plot(stocks_df['Open'], color='blue', marker='o', Label='Opens')
251     ax1.plot(stocks_df['Close'], color='red', marker='o', Label='Closes')
252     ax1.set_title("{} Opens and Closes (last 5 days)".format(sym))
253     ax1.set_ylabel('Price ($)', fontsize=12)
254     ax1.legend(loc='best')
255     plt.xticks(stocks_df.index, rotation=20)
256
257     # The second subplot is the volume over the last five days
258     ax2 = fig.add_subplot(1,2, 2)
259     ax2 = plt.plot(stocks_df['Volume'], color='black', marker='o')
260     ax2 = plt.ticklabel_format(style='plain', axis='y')
261     ax2 = plt.title("{} Volumes (last 5 days)".format(sym))
262     plt.xticks(stocks_df.index, rotation=20)
263
264     # Add the title of the article to the top of the plot
265     plt.text(0.5, 0.98, 'Headline: {}'.format(headline),
266            ha='center', va='top', transform=fig.transFigure, fontsize=10)
267
268     # Instead of having the user close the plot for the code to continue,
269     # I show the plot for 10 seconds and then close it automatically.
270     plt.show(block=False)
271     plt.pause(10)
272     plt.close()
273
274     # Get today's date for file naming - format with underscores
275     today = date.today()
276     today = today.strftime('%m_%d_%Y')
277
278     # Save the plot with the stock symbol and today's date for future reference
279     fig.savefig('Plots\{}_{}.png'.format(sym, today))
280
281

```

Figure 8 – Make\_plots Function

Because this module is to run continuously on its own, until stopped by the user, without any need for user interaction, I do not want to wait for the user to have to close the plots for the code to restart running. To resolve this I have the plot show on screen for ten seconds, after which it is closed and saved to disk, and the program continues without any need for user input.

### On Subsequent Scans

After the one minute has passed the module will scan again. The first thing it will do is print an update that it is scanning. It calls the function, “get\_new\_news”, to extract all of the article hrefs, newest to oldest, on the articles list page of the website. It returns this list for use in the next function.

```

99 """
100 This function will be called on each scan. It requests and parses the news article
101 list and extracts all of the hrefs. It returns a list of these.
102 """
103 def get_new_news():
104
105     # After the initial run, make a new request to the article list
106     to_add_page = requests.get('https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/news-releases-list/')
107     to_add_soup = BeautifulSoup(to_add_page.content, 'html.parser')
108     # Find all articles on the main page
109     to_add_articles = to_add_soup.find_all('a', attrs={'class': 'news-release'})
110     # Get the hrefs for each and append to a list
111     to_add_hrefs = []
112     for article in to_add_articles:
113         to_add_hrefs.append(article.attrs['href'])
114
115     # Return this list for use in check_if_new
116     return to_add_hrefs
117

```

Figure 9 – Get\_new\_news Function

Next, I call “check\_if\_new” with the previous list as input. Here, it checks each of these hrefs against the last processed article, “latest\_href”. Since it is checking from newest to oldest, as soon as it reaches an href that matches this, it stops, because what follows will have already been processed. A message is printed to the screen at this point indicating whether there are new news articles or not, and the list of unprocessed hrefs is returned for processing.

```

118 """
119 This function will take as input the return of get_new_news. It creates a new list -
120 to_process - by checking each of the hrefs against the last processed article.
121 It is processing from newest to oldest, so as soon as it reaches that, it discards the rest.
122 It returns the list of hrefs that have not yet been processed.
123 """
124 def check_if_new(article_list):
125
126     # Check to see if the articles in the list have already been processed
127     to_process = []
128
129     if article_list:
130         for url in article_list:
131             # If it has not, add it to list and move on
132             if url != latest_href:
133                 to_process.append(url)
134             else:
135                 # As soon as you reach an already parsed article, stop
136                 break
137     if to_process:
138         print('There is new news!\n')
139     else:
140         print('There is no new news!\n')
141     # Return the list of hrefs to be processed
142     return to_process
143

```

Figure 10 – Check\_if\_new Function

I use this list in my next function – “get\_details”. The goal of this function is to generate a dictionary for each of these hrefs. I want for each the article’s title, href, date of publication, and the stock symbols it contains. This information will be for storage in a csv file for later reference.

For each of the hrefs in this list I make a request to the page and parse it using BeautifulSoup. I extract the necessary information using the classes that I have previously identified. Again, I make sure to extract any and all stock symbols and remove any duplication. I combine the dictionaries of each new href into a list, which I call “new\_data”.

```

145 """
146 This function takes as input the list of hrefs that have not been processed yet.
147 For each of these it requests and parses the article. It extracts all of the desired
148 information - title, publication date, and stock symbols. Since articles may
149 contain zero, one, or more stock symbols - with duplication in some cases - this
150 ensures that only the unique values are kept. A dictionary is created for each href,
151 all of which are returned as a list.
152 """
153 def get_details(to_process_list):
154     new_data = []
155     # For each article to be processed, create a dictionary
156     for entry in to_process_list:
157         dict_new = {}
158         # Request and parse the article
159         page3 = requests.get(baseurl + entry, timeout=1000)
160         soup3 = BeautifulSoup(page3.text, 'html.parser')
161
162         # The title is located in h1
163         h1 = soup3.h1
164         title = h1.contents[0].strip()
165         dict_new['Title'] = title
166         # The URL was in the element of to_process_list
167         dict_new['URL'] = entry
168
169         # The date is located in the class "mb-no"
170         results3 = soup3.find_all('p', attrs={'class': 'mb-no'})
171         dict_new['Date'] = results3[0].text
172
173         # Ticket symbols are located in the class "ticket-symbol"
174         results4 = soup3.find_all('a', attrs={'class': 'ticket-symbol'})
175
176         # Creating a list of unique symbols in teh article
177         symbols = []
178         for symbol in results4:
179             symbols.append(symbol.text)
180         # Remove duplicates
181         symbols = set(symbols)
182
183         # If there are no symbols, set the value to None
184         if not symbols:
185             symbols = None
186
187         dict_new['Symbols'] = symbols
188         # Append this article's dictionary to the list
189         new_data.append(dict_new)
190     # Return the list of dictionaries
191     return new_data
192

```

Figure 11 – Get\_details Function

If new articles have been found on this scan I now do two things. First, I convert the dictionaries into a Pandas Data Frame and append it to the previously used csv file for article data. Since there is the possibility of there being more than one article retrieved within a one minute span, I first reverse the dataframe before appending to the file. This ensures that the order remains chronological – the file will list articles from oldest to newest. Next, I take the href of the latest article and set the variable, “latest\_href”, with this value for future scans.



```

193 """
194 This function is called if the scan found new articles to be processed. It takes the
195 list of dictionaries and creates a data frame of them. Before appending to the csv
196 file it reverses the data frame, ensuring that the csv is written continuously from
197 oldest to newest. Finally it resets latest_href to be the newest of these
198 unprocessed articles.
199 """
200 def store_articles(article_dicts):
201     # Take the list of dictionaries and convert to dataframe
202     new_articles = pd.DataFrame(article_dicts)
203     # Reverse so that proper order is maintained in the csv
204     new_articles = new_articles[::-1]
205     # Append to "article_data.csv"
206     new_articles.to_csv('article_data.csv', mode='a', index=False, header=False)
207
208     # Set the new latest href to be the newest unprocessed article
209     global latest_href
210     latest_href = new_articles['URL'][0]
211
212     # Return the dataframe
213     return new_articles
214

```

Figure 12 – Store\_article Function

Next, for each of these unprocessed articles I use the dictionary of each to first print the information to the screen. If there are stock symbols, for each I use the previously made functions to first extract the stock price and volume information from Yahoo Finance, and then I use that to create the plots. This is done for each symbol found in each of the new articles.

### Putting Everything Together

Upon starting of the program I print a welcome message and inform the user that they can stop the program by pressing “ESC” at any time. I then call my “initial\_run” function and display the output.

```

284 if __name__ == "__main__":
285     # Upon running the module a welcome is printed to the user
286     print('.....')
287     print('Hello!')
288     print('I will scan PR Newswire every minute and show you new stock information!')
289     print("Plots will be saved with stock symbols and today's date")
290     # Inform the user how to stop the program
291     print('Press "ESC" at any time to quit')
292     print('.....')
293     print('\nHere is the latest article:\n')
294
295     # Run the initial scan
296     syms, title = initial_run()
297     if not syms:
298         pass
299     # If the latest article contains stock symbols, get history and plot each
300     else:
301         for sym in syms:
302             stock_history = get_tickers(sym)
303             make_plots(stock_history, sym, title)
304

```

Figure 13 – Beginning the Module

### Periodic Automatic Scanning

To accomplish this part of the task I make use of a keyboard listener and the time. I first create the variable “break\_program”, and set it to false. The periodic scanning will continue for however long this is false. I then define a function, “on\_press”, that uses Python’s Keyboard. If the “ESC” key is pressed, a message will be printed to the screen and “break\_program” will be set to true, thus ending the program.

```

305 # Enter the main body of the program
306 # Set break_program to allow it to run continuously
307 break_program = False
308
309 """
310 This function resolves allowing the user to stop the scan.
311 If the user presses the "ESC" key, a message is printed and break_program is
312 set to true, ending the program. All other key presses are ignored.
313 """
314 def on_press(key):
315     global break_program
316     if key == keyboard.Key.esc:
317         print('Shutting down....')
318         print('Bye!')
319         break_program = True
320         return False

```

Figure 14 – On\_press Function

I use this function and the keyboard listener and first get the starting time. On each iteration through the while loop I get the current time and see if 60 seconds has elapsed between it and the starting time. If not, I continue. If the 60 seconds has passed I first print a message that I am now scanning, and then start calling my functions – retrieving the hrefs, checking which are unprocessed, getting the details. If there are new articles, I print the information to the screen, and then retrieve and plot stock information if there are stocks listed. At the end of this I reset the starting time for the next iteration of the loop. As described, the program will repeat every 60 seconds provided the user does not press the “ESC” key.

```

321
322 # Set a keyboard listener using the above function
323 with keyboard.Listener(on_press=on_press) as listener:
324     # Get the starting time
325     start = time.time()
326     # Enter the main loop
327     while break_program == False:
328         # Since the program will loop continuously, add a tiny sleep here to
329         # prevent the CPU from consuming resources
330         time.sleep(0.25)
331         # Check the current time
332         current = time.time()
333         # If one minute has passed since the last scan, it is time to scan again
334         if current > (start + 60):
335             print('Scanning...')
336
337             # For each scan, first get the articles
338             new_articles = get_new_news()
339             # Then check for which are unprocessed
340             unprocessed = check_if_new(new_articles)
341             # Then get the details of these
342             new_details = get_details(unprocessed)
343             # If there are new articles, store the details to the csv file
344             if new_details:
345                 store_articles(new_details)
346
347             # For each of the unprocessed articles, print the details
348             for detail in new_details:
349                 title = detail['Title']
350                 day = detail['Date']
351                 syms = detail['Symbols']
352                 print("Title: ", title)
353                 print("Date: ", day)
354                 print("Stock Symbols Mentioned: ", syms)
355                 print('\n')
356                 # Check if the article contained any stock symbols
357                 if not syms:
358                     pass
359                 else:
360                     # If it did, for each stock symbol get the info and make the plots
361                     for sym in syms:
362                         stock_history = get_tickers(sym)
363                         make_plots(stock_history, sym, title)
364
365             # Lastly, reset the start time at the completion of this scan
366             start = time.time()
367             # If one minute has not passed since the last scan, do nothing
368             else:
369                 continue
370
371     listener.join()
372

```

Figure 15 – The Main Body of the Program

### Sample Output

Upon running the module (here a stock symbol was found in the first article):

```

Command Prompt - python devproj_mmolnar.py
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.18363.1198]
(c) 2019 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Users\mdjm0>python devproj_mmolnar.py
.....
Hello!
I will scan PR Newswire every minute and show you new stock information!
Plots will be saved with stock symbols and today's date
Press "ESC" at any time to quit
.....

Here is the latest article:

Title: Protagonist Announces Updated Phase 2 Data Presented at ASH Annual Meeting Supporting Long Term Efficacy of Hepc
idin Mimetic PTG-300 in the Treatment of Polycythemia Vera
Date: Dec 06, 2020, 14:45 ET
Stock Symbols Mentioned: {'PTGX'}

```

Figure 16 – Output Upon Running devproj\_mmolnar.py

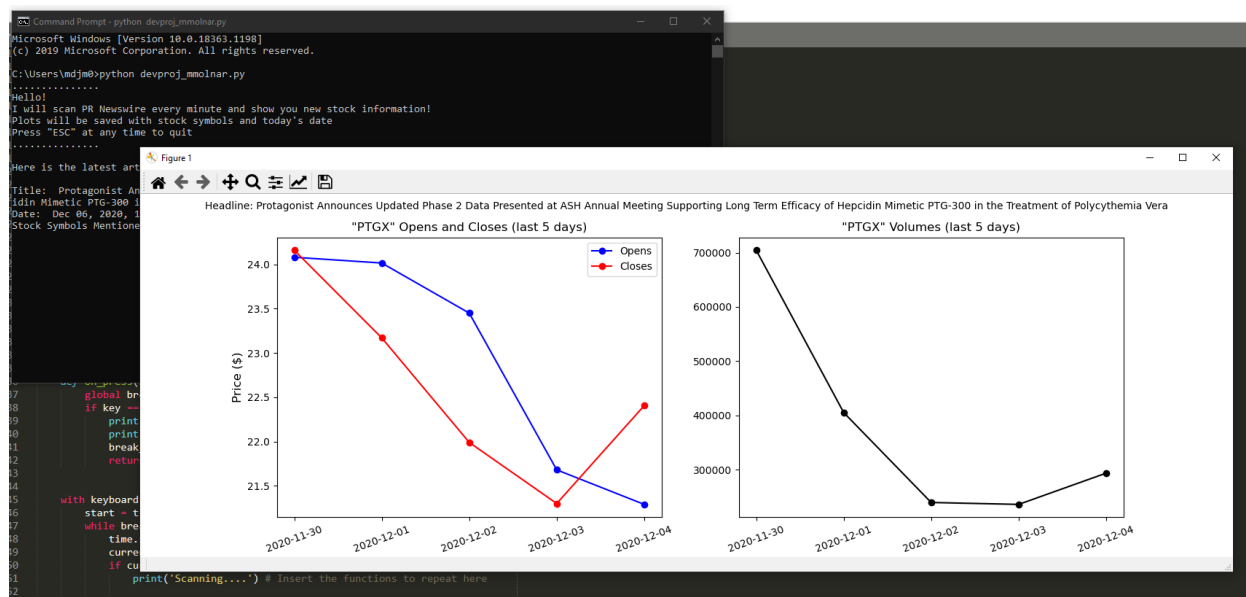
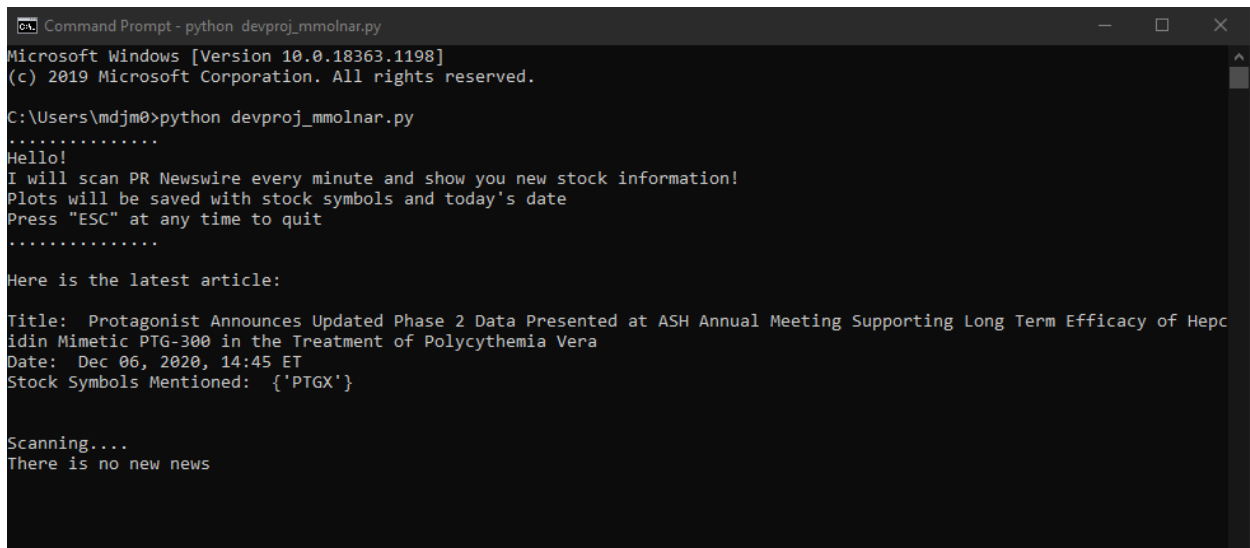


Figure 17 – Output When a Stock Symbol is Found

After one minute:



```

Command Prompt - python devproj_mmolnar.py
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.18363.1198]
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C:\Users\mdjm0>python devproj_mmolnar.py
.....
Hello!
I will scan PR Newswire every minute and show you new stock information!
Plots will be saved with stock symbols and today's date
Press "ESC" at any time to quit
.....

Here is the latest article:

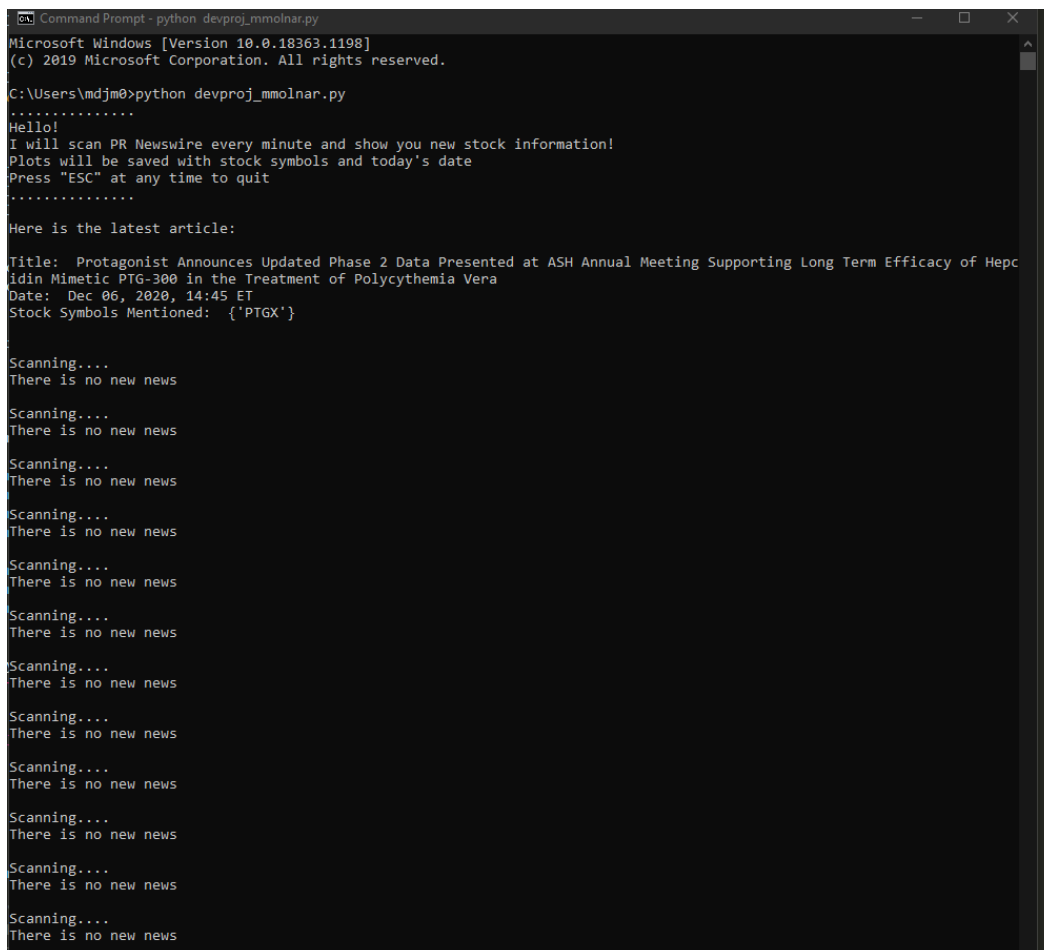
Title: Protagonist Announces Updated Phase 2 Data Presented at ASH Annual Meeting Supporting Long Term Efficacy of Hepc
idin Mimetic PTG-300 in the Treatment of Polycythemia Vera
Date: Dec 06, 2020, 14:45 ET
Stock Symbols Mentioned: {'PTGX'}

Scanning....
There is no new news

```

Figure 18 – It Scans Again After One Minute

After several minutes:



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.....
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Press "ESC" at any time to quit
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idin Mimetic PTG-300 in the Treatment of Polycythemia Vera
Date: Dec 06, 2020, 14:45 ET
Stock Symbols Mentioned: {'PTGX'}

Scanning....
There is no new news

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Figure 19 – Every Minute it Scans for New Articles

Upon finding an unprocessed article:

```

There is no new news
Scanning....
There is no new news

Scanning....
There is new news!

Title: Fortlake Selects SS&C to Support Fixed Income Operations
Date: Dec 06, 2020, 17:00 ET
Stock Symbols Mentioned: {'SSNC'}

Scanning....
There is no new news

```

Figure 20 – Output When a New Article is Found

Upon pressing “ESC”:

```

Scanning....
There is new news!

Title: Fortlake Selects SS&C to Support Fixed Income Operations
Date: Dec 06, 2020, 17:00 ET
Stock Symbols Mentioned: {'SSNC'}

Scanning....
There is no new news

Scanning....
There is no new news

Shutting down....
Bye!

C:\Users\mdjm0>

```

Figure 21 – Output When “ESC” is Pressed

The plots folder:

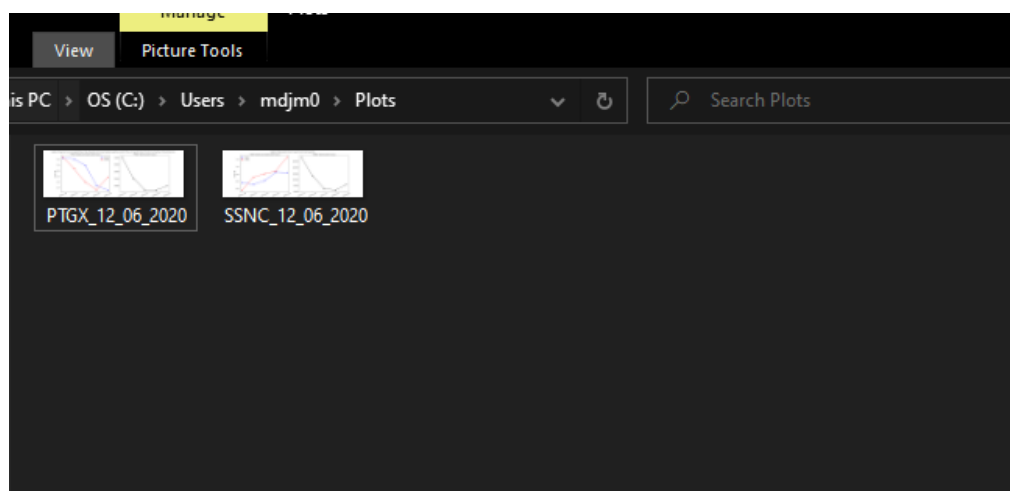


Figure 22 – The Plots Folder that All Plots are Saved To

A saved plot:

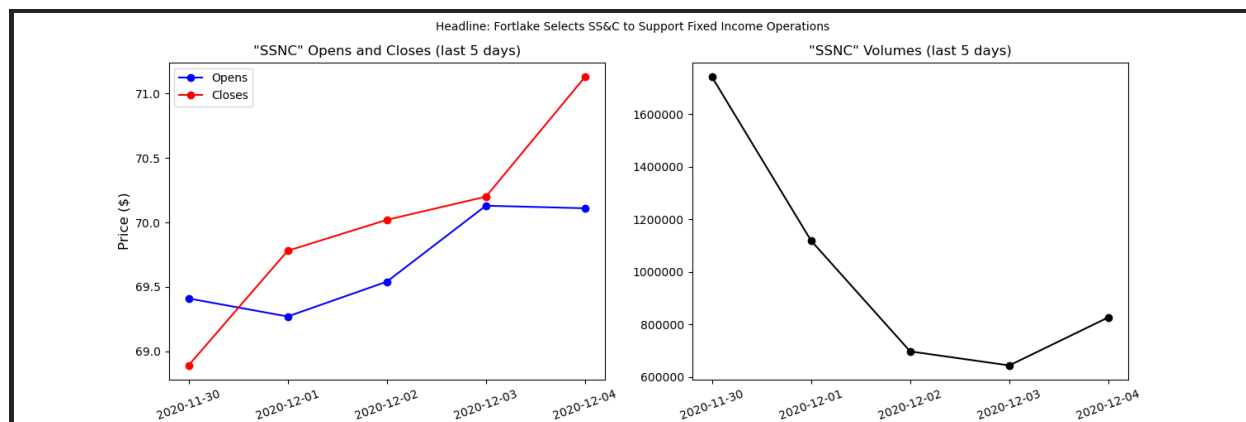


Figure 23 – The Saved Plot for the Second Found Article

Article\_data.csv:

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Clipboard Font Alignment

POSSIBLE DATA LOSS Some features might be lost if you save this workbook in the comma-delimited format.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	Title	URL	Date	Symbols				
2	Protagonist	/news-rel	Dec 06, 20	{'PTGX'}				
3	Fortlake S	/news-rel	Dec 06, 20	{'SSNC'}				
4								
5								

Figure 24 – Saved Article Data

Stock\_data.csv:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Dividends	Stock Splits	Symbol		
2	#####	24.08	24.73	22.79	24.16	704500	0	0	PTGX		
3	#####	24.015	24.9	22.9	23.17	405200	0	0	PTGX		
4	#####	23.45	23.45	21.51	21.99	239400	0	0	PTGX		
5	#####	21.68	22.856	21.04	21.3	235900	0	0	PTGX		
6	#####	21.29	22.41	21.07	22.405	293500	0	0	PTGX		
7	#####	69.41	69.55	68.64	68.89	1741000	0.14	0	SSNC		
8	#####	69.27	70.22	68.42	69.78	1118600	0	0	SSNC		
9	#####	69.54	70.4	69.01	70.02	697500	0	0	SSNC		
10	#####	70.13	70.98	69.61	70.2	644100	0	0	SSNC		
11	#####	70.11	71.68	70.11	71.13	826900	0	0	SSNC		
12											
13											

Figure 25 – Saved Stock Data

Reading with Pandas:

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
stock_data = pd.read_csv('stock_data.csv')
```

```
In [2]: stock_data
```

```
Out[2]:
```

	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Dividends	Stock Splits	Symbol
0	2020-11-30	24.080000	24.730000	22.790001	24.160000	704500	0.00	0	PTGX
1	2020-12-01	24.014999	24.900000	22.900000	23.170000	405200	0.00	0	PTGX
2	2020-12-02	23.450001	23.450001	21.510000	21.990000	239400	0.00	0	PTGX
3	2020-12-03	21.680000	22.856001	21.040001	21.299999	235900	0.00	0	PTGX
4	2020-12-04	21.290001	22.410000	21.070000	22.405001	293500	0.00	0	PTGX
5	2020-11-30	69.410004	69.550003	68.639999	68.889999	1741000	0.14	0	SSNC
6	2020-12-01	69.269997	70.220001	68.419998	69.779999	1118600	0.00	0	SSNC
7	2020-12-02	69.540001	70.400002	69.010002	70.019997	697500	0.00	0	SSNC
8	2020-12-03	70.129997	70.980003	69.610001	70.199997	644100	0.00	0	SSNC
9	2020-12-04	70.110001	71.680000	70.110001	71.129997	826900	0.00	0	SSNC

Figure 26 – The Stock Data Read by Pandas