# a) Output

imdb\_crawler is started like a normal python script. However, it takes one additional argument for help.

```
mughis@user369:~/imdb-crawler$ python3 main.py -h
This program performs user actions interactivly,
the operations user can perform are listed as:
Enter 1 to fetch latest movies from popular movies list,
Enter 2 to veiw movie list that have improved in popularity,
Enter 3 to view previous week's positions,
Enter 4 to see top rated genre,
Enter n/N to exit
Further following switches can be used to do some extra stuff

-h: this switch shows the help page.

Example:
    python main.py -h  # prints the help page
    python main.py  # starts the program for interactive session

mughis@user369:~/imdb-crawler$
```

Screenshot shows help page of program

#### 1 – scrapping from most popular page(IMDB)

```
mughis@user369: ~/imdb-crawler$ python3 main.py

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Enter 4 to see top rated genre,
Enter n/N to exit: 1
Sxtracting info for (Monster)...
```

Screenshot shows program running in scrape mode

After completing the scrape it prints out the stats and prompt user if the user wants to continue using the program.

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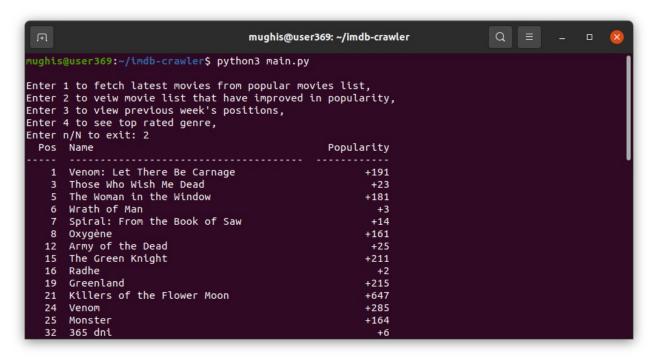
It took me 144.959277seconds to complete the scrape: )...

Movies Scraped: 100
No. of Workers: 10

Continue? (y/n):
```

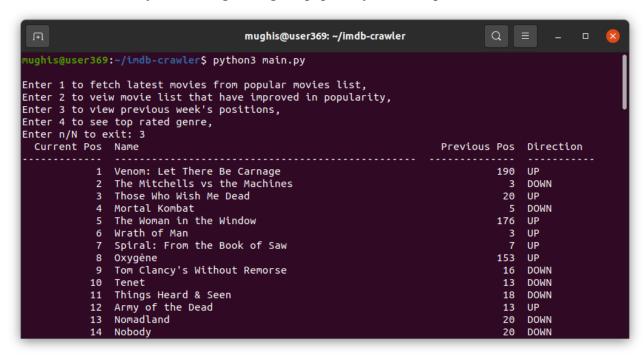
Screenshot shows a completed scrape

#### 2 – View list of movies that have +ev popularity



Screenshot shows movies that are increased in popularity

3 – List the position of previous week for all movies This list is obtained by subtracting/adding the popularity from the position.



Screenshot shows list of movies with previous week's position

### 4 – Top rated genre from the list

```
mughis@user369:~/imdb-crawler$ python3 main.py

Enter 1 to fetch latest movies from popular movies list,
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Enter 3 to view previous week's positions,
Enter 4 to see top rated genre,
Enter n/N to exit: 4

War is most popular genre and has a avg position 9

Continue? (y/n):
```

The score is calculated by creating a dictionary of genres and their corresponding position values in a list. This list of position is further used to evaluate the average position for each genre the lower the value the higher genre rating.

### b) **Technology Stack Used**

- Python 3.7
- Requests
- BaeutifulSoup4 (BS4)
- JSON
  - As I love to code in python, so there was no confusion about the programming language.
  - I chose the requests module for its simplicity.
  - For extracting information from HTML, BS4 is used as the parsing was not much intensive. Besides BS4 have much less overhead than Scrappy and Selenium and it has no third-party dependencies.
  - JSON is selected over CSV due to its flexible and comprehensive structure.

## c) Time it Took

It took me almost 4-5 hours to complete the task but not in a single sitting.

## d) Improvements

If I had more time I would've

- Removed the code redundancy in some places.
- Followed object oriented pattern
- Made the output look more cleaner
- Made a simple user interface
- Improve top rated genre calculation (taking average is not that reliable)