

A background image showing a group of business professionals in an office setting. A woman in a grey blazer is holding a smartphone, while others are looking at a tablet displaying charts. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a modern office environment.

An automatized approach of *Avocats au Conseil* efficiency

DATA ANALYTICS

Context (1/2)



A very recent opening of court decisions in open data

Loi pour une République numérique,

Loi pour la programmation de la justice,

Décrets d'application avec 1^{ère} échéance en 2021



A very technical litigation area

« Un contentieux en crise » (Réflexions sur la crise du contentieux économique, Benoît Remiche, 1984)

- Lack of technicals skills in parliaments
- « Inflation législative »

Monopoly of “Avocats au Conseil”

Context (2/2)



Légifrance

« The data from Légifrance is made available for free re-use as laid down in the Order of 24 June 2014 on the free re-use of the legal databases of the Directorate for Legal and Administrative Information »

2 472 293 court decisions

Our solution



Developing an
automatical analysis of
the Cassation decisions

Economical and
commercial chamber
These 5 last years



The objective : assess the lawyer's
performance in a monopolistic market



1st step

Objective : scrapping all the decisions page

The criteria of the research are integrated manually in the Legifrance system, and the page is integrated in a soup

Therefore, creation of a list, and a loop will assess all the 55 pages of results

Integration of all the links of the decisions in a list

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1  # Law data analysis
2  # importing packages used (after installing)
3  import ...
13
14 # Opening the page
15 webpage = requests.get("https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/search/juri?tab_selection=juri&searchField=ALL&query=*&searchType=ALL&dateDecision=01%2F01%2F2017+%3E+25%2F02%2F2022&")
16 soup = BeautifulSoup(webpage.content) # We create a soup element on that basis
17 driver = webdriver.Chrome(service=Service(ChromeDriverManager().install()))
18 # we extract the link of each case with a loop through the 54 pages
19 # we insert time sleep to prevent getting blocked
20 links = []
21 for i in range(1, 55):
22     driver.get(
23         "https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/search/juri?tab_selection=juri&searchField=ALL&query=*&searchType=ALL&dateDecision=01%2F01%2F2017+%3E+25%2F02%2F2022&"
24         + i) + "&tab_selection=juri")
25
26     soup = BeautifulSoup(driver.page_source) # go to page number X of 54
27
28     for link in soup.findAll('a', attrs={'href': re.compile("^/juri")}): # loop to get all the links of that page
29         links.append("https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/" + link.get('href'))
30 # https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/search/juri?tab_selection=juri&searchField=ALL&query=*&searchType=ALL&dateDecision=01%2F01%2F2017+%3E+25%2F02%2F2022&
31 len(links) # number of decisions collected
32 # - The solution (rejection or acceptance or other)
33 # - The name of the law firms involved (both claimant and respondent)
34 # - Which law firm represents claimant and which represents respondent
35 # getting all the data
36 # first build an empty data frame
37 dataframe = pd.DataFrame()
38

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2nd step

Preamble : creation of a dataframe who will integrate and process ...

Decision number

Solution

Lawyer
identification

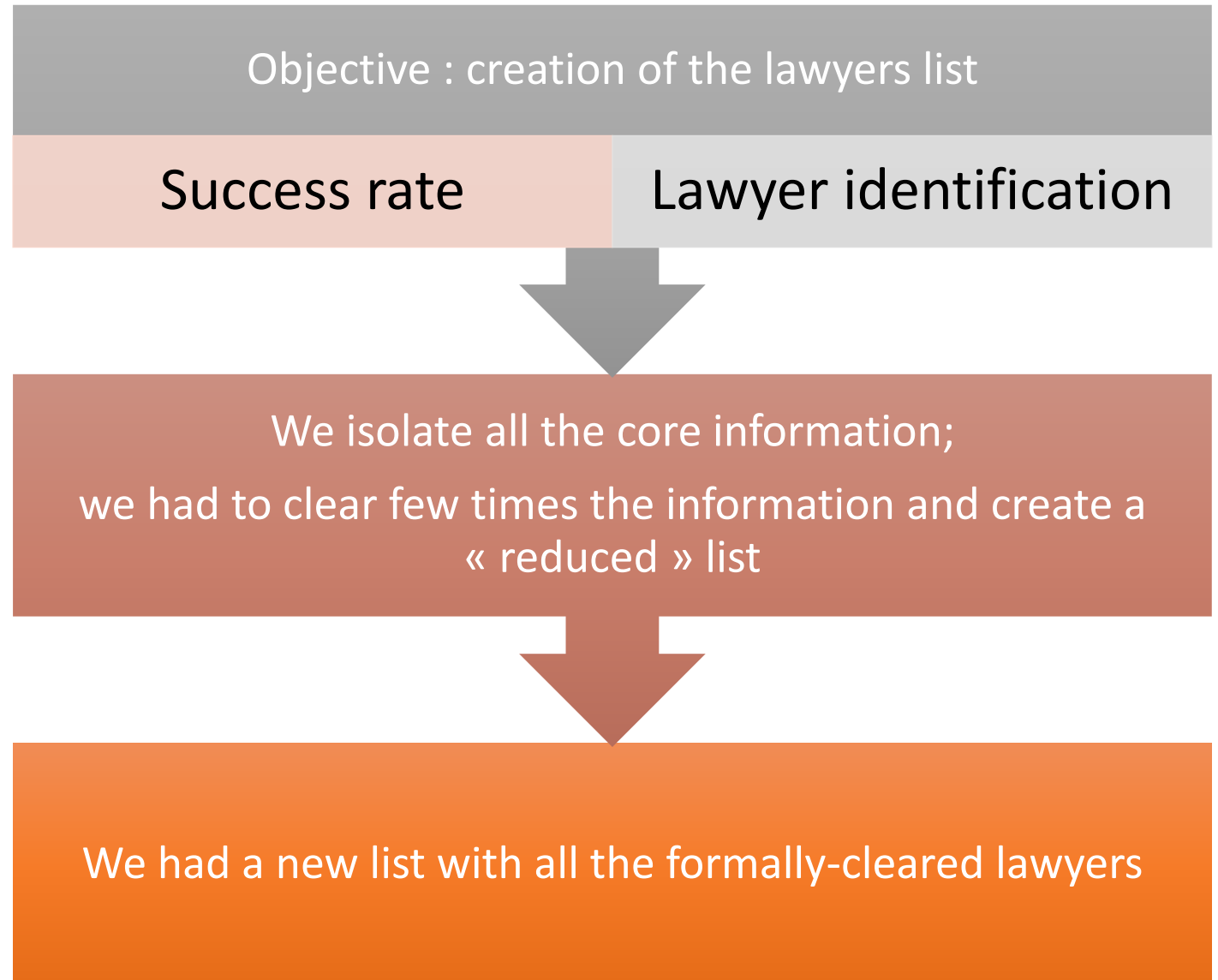
Creation of a loop who will assess all the links listed and save all these informations listed

We create a soup, and use (i) html parser and, therefore, isolate the string to only have the core information

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37 dataframe = pd.DataFrame()
38
39 # prepare the lists to be filled with the information of each decision
40 N_pourvoi = []
41 Solution = []
42 lawyers = []
43
44 # looping on all links, we get the informationn of each case and append the info to the lists defined above
45 # after that, we set the respective columns of the dataframe equal to the lists
46 for link in links:
47     driver.get(str(link))
48     soup = BeautifulSoup(driver.page_source,
49                           'html.parser')
50     info = soup.find("div", class_="frame-block print-sommaire")
51     info = info.find_all_next(string=True, limit=11)
52     lawyers.append(info[10])
53     Solution.append(re.sub(['^a-zA-Z0-9 \n\\.'], '', info[4].replace("Solution : ", "")))
54     N_pourvoi.append(info[1].replace("N° de pourvoi : ", ""))
55
56 # Finalizing the dataframe
57 dataframe['n_pourvoi'] = N_pourvoi
58 dataframe['lawyers'] = lawyers
59 dataframe['solution'] = Solution
60
61 list_lawyers=[]
62 for i in range(dataframe.shape[0]):
63     # Split by Law Firm and get the list of lawyers for each case
64     list_lawyers.append([x.replace(",","").strip() for x in re.split('SAS|SCP|SARL|Me|SPFL',dataframe.loc[i,'lawyers'])])
65
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3rd step



Project

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64
65     # remove "empty" lawyer
66     for i in list_lawyers:
67         try:
68             i.remove("")
69         except ValueError:
70             i=i
71
72     dataframe['lawyers_list']=list_lawyers
73
74     reduced = pd.DataFrame()
75     reduced_avocat = [] # will capture the name of the law firm
76     solution=[] # will save the solution as cassation or rejet
77
78     for i in range(dataframe.shape[0]):
79         # Pick only cases in which there is maximum 2 law firms so to distinguish between claimant and defendant
80         if len(dataframe['lawyers_list'][i]) == 2:
81             reduced_avocat.append(dataframe['lawyers_list'][i])

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4th step

Creation of a way to calculate the success rate



We process

“Cassation” as a **Claimant win**

“Rejet” as a **Defendant win**



And, therefore we have two lists with the number of wins per lawyer

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76 solution=[] # will save the solution as cassation or rejet
77
78 for i in range(dataframe.shape[0]):
79     # Pick only cases in which there is maximum 2 law firms so to distinguish between claimant and defendant
80     if len(dataframe['lawyers_list'][i]) == 2:
81         reduced_avocat.append(dataframe['lawyers_list'][i])
82         if re.search("Cassation", dataframe['solution'][i])!=None:
83             solution.append("Cassation")
84         elif re.search("Rejet", dataframe['solution'][i])!=None:
85             solution.append("Rejet")
86         else:
87             solution.append("Other")
88
89 reduced['lawyers']=reduced_avocat
90 reduced['solution']=solution
91
92 # classify the lawyer as claimant or defendant based on the position in the list
93 claim=[]
94 defendant=[]
95
96 for avocats in reduced['lawyers']:
97     claim.append(avocats[0])
98     defendant.append(avocats[1])
99
100 reduced['claim']=claim
101 reduced['defendant']=defendant
102
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5th step

Extract both tables



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graph TD; A[Extract both tables] --> B[Merging]; B --> C[Export to excel];
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Merging

Export to excel

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100 reduced['claim']=claim
101 reduced['defendant']=defendant
102
103 # extract two separate table for claimant and for defendant, grouping by claimant or defendant and solution (counting)
104 table_defendant=reduced.groupby(["defendant","solution"]).count().drop(columns="claim").reset_index().rename(columns={"lawyers":"cases","defendant":"la
105 table_claim=reduced.groupby(["claim","solution"]).count().drop(columns="defendant").reset_index().rename(columns={"lawyers":"cases","claim":"lawyer"})
106
107 # count the wins for each lawyer in all the cases in which he was a claimant (wins if solution is cassation)
108 wins=[]
109 lawyer=[]
110 for i in range(table_claim.shape[0]):
111     if table_claim['solution'][i]=="Cassation":
112         wins.append(table_claim['cases'][i])
113         lawyer.append(table_claim['lawyer'][i])
114 claimant_cassation=pd.DataFrame({"lawyer":lawyer, "wins":wins})
115
116 wins=[]
117 lawyer=[]
118 for i in range(table_defendant.shape[0]):
119     if table_defendant['solution'][i]=="Rejet":
120         wins.append(table_defendant['cases'][i])
121         lawyer.append(table_defendant['lawyer'][i])
122 defendant_rejet=pd.DataFrame({"lawyer":lawyer, "wins":wins})
123
124 table = defendant_rejet.merge(claimant_cassation, on="lawyer", how="outer").fillna(0)
125 table['wins']=table["wins_x"]+table["wins_y"]
126 table=table.drop(columns=["wins_x","wins_y"]).groupby("lawyer").sum().reset_index().sort_values("wins", ascending=False).loc[table['lawyer']!="0"]
127 tot_cases=(reduced.groupby(['claim']).count().drop(columns=["defendant","solution"]).reset_index().rename(columns={"lawyers":"cases","claim":"lawyer"}))
128 tot_cases['total']=tot_cases['cases_x']+tot_cases['cases_y']

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117     lawyer=[]
118     for i in range(table_defendant.shape[0]):
119         if table_defendant['solution'][i]=="Rejet":
120             wins.append(table_defendant['cases'][i])
121             lawyer.append(table_defendant['lawyer'][i])
122     defendant_rejet=pd.DataFrame({"lawyer":lawyer, "wins":wins})
123
124     table = defendant_rejet.merge(claimant_cassation, on="lawyer", how="outer").fillna(0)
125     table['wins']=table["wins_x"]+table["wins_y"]
126     table=table.drop(columns=["wins_x","wins_y"]).groupby("lawyer").sum().reset_index().sort_values("wins", ascending=False).loc[table['lawyer']!="0"]
127     tot_cases=(reduced.groupby(['claim']).count().drop(columns=["defendant","solution"]).reset_index().rename(columns={"lawyers":"cases","claim":"lawyer"}))
128     tot_cases['total']=tot_cases['cases_x']+tot_cases['cases_y']
129     table=table.merge(tot_cases.drop(columns=['cases_x','cases_y']),how="left",on="lawyer")
130     table['proportion']=table['wins']/table['total']*100
131     table['proportion']=table['proportion'].map('{:,.2f}%'.format)
132
133     # import xlswriter module
134
135
136     # Creating the excel
137     workbook = xlswriter.Workbook('AvocatsSuccess.xlsx')
138     table.to_excel('AvocatsSuccess.xlsx')
139
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Technical issues

Perspectives ?

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