Lecture 18 | Web Scraping

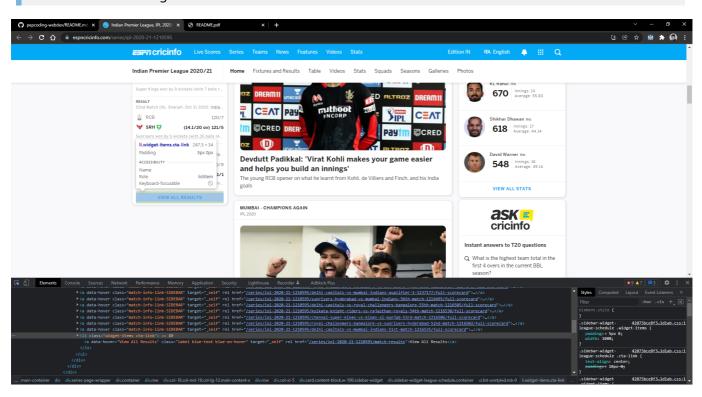
ESPN Web Scraping Project

ESPN Cricinfo | https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595

Setup the folder structure

- Make a folder named espn-scraping
- Inside the espn-scraping folder, npm init -y: it will create a package.json file
- npm i cheerio request in the folder

The actual anchor tag to the scoreboard



Code to scrape the data from the website (view all results)

```
const url = "https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595";
const cheerio = require("cheerio");
const request = require("request");

request(url, cb);

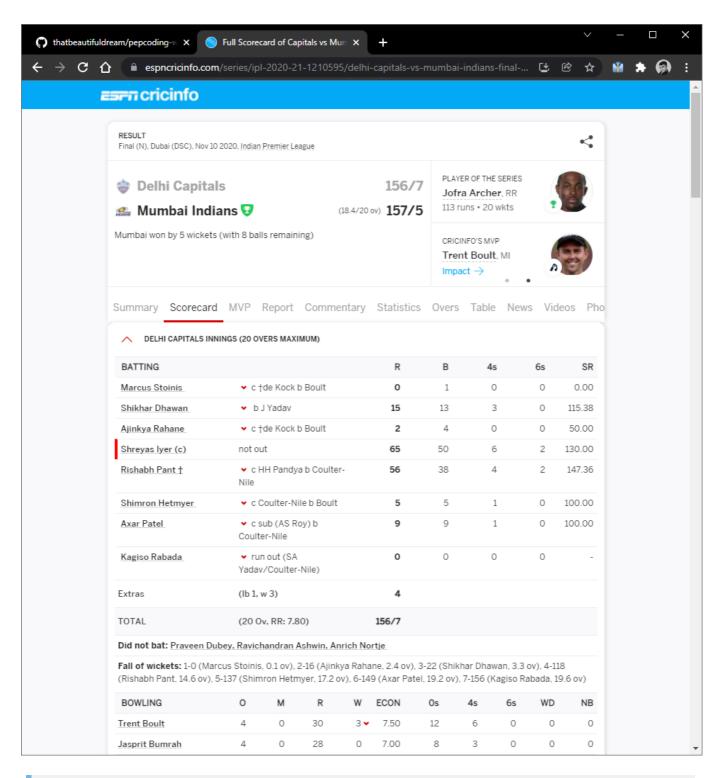
// cb is a callback function for request
function cb(err, response, html) {
  if (err) {
    console.error(err);
  } else {
    extractLink(html);
  }
```

```
function extractLink(html) {
  const $ = cheerio.load(html);
  let anchorElement = $("a[data-hover = 'View All Results']");
  let link = anchorElement.attr("href");
  let fullLink = "https://www.espncricinfo.com" + link;
  console.log(fullLink);
}
```

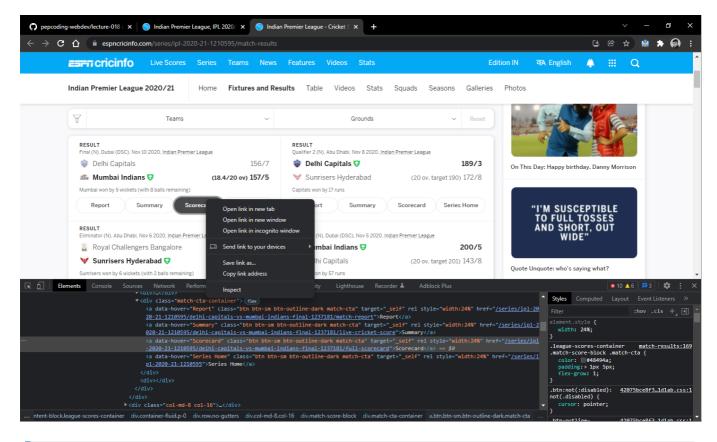
Output:

```
$ node main.js
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/match-results
```

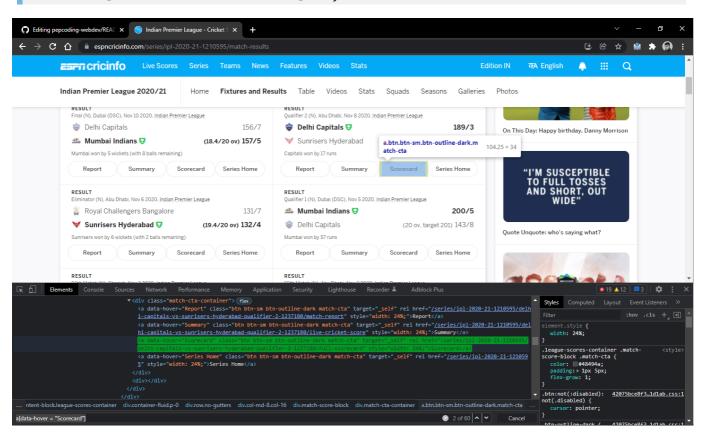
The extracted view all results link



Scorecard anchor



Scorecard a[data-hover = "Scorecard"] array



Extracting all the scorecard links

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const request = require("request");
```

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   console.error(err);
 } else {
    extractLink(html);
}
function extractLink(html) {
 const $ = cheerio.load(html);
 let anchorElement = $("a[data-hover = 'View All Results']");
 let link = anchorElement.attr("href");
 let fullLink = "https://www.espncricinfo.com" + link; // view all results
 console.log(fullLink);
 getAllMatchLink(fullLink);
}
function getAllMatchLink(uri) {
  request(uri, function (err, response, html) {
   if (err) {
      console.error(err);
    } else {
      extractAllLink(html); // all scorecard link
 });
}
function extractAllLink(html) {
 const $ = cheerio.load(html);
 let scoreCardArr = $('a[data-hover = "Scorecard"]');
 for (let i = 0; i < scoreCardArr.length; i++) {
   let link = scoreCardArr[i].attribs.href;
   let fullLink = "https://www.espncricinfo.com" + link;
    console.log(fullLink);
 }
}
```

Output:

```
$ node main.js
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/match-results
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/delhi-capitals-vs-mumbai-
indians-final-1237181/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/delhi-capitals-vs-
sunrisers-hyderabad-qualifier-2-1237180/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/royal-challengers-
bangalore-vs-sunrisers-hyderabad-eliminator-1237178/full-scorec
ard
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https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/delhi-capitals-vs-mumbai-
indians-qualifier-1-1237177/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/sunrisers-hyderabad-vs-
mumbai-indians-56th-match-1216495/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/delhi-capitals-vs-royal-
challengers-bangalore-55th-match-1216505/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/kolkata-knight-riders-vs-
rajasthan-royals-54th-match-1216530/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/chennai-super-kings-vs-
kings-xi-punjab-53rd-match-1216506/full-scorecard
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bangalore-vs-sunrisers-hyderabad-52nd-match-1216502/full-scorec
ard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/delhi-capitals-vs-mumbai-
indians-51st-match-1216535/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/kings-xi-punjab-vs-
rajasthan-royals-50th-match-1216537/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/chennai-super-kings-vs-
kolkata-knight-riders-49th-match-1216536/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/mumbai-indians-vs-royal-
challengers-bangalore-48th-match-1216499/full-scorecard
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delhi-capitals-47th-match-1216524/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/kolkata-knight-riders-vs-
kings-xi-punjab-46th-match-1216520/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/rajasthan-royals-vs-
mumbai-indians-45th-match-1216541/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/royal-challengers-
bangalore-vs-chennai-super-kings-44th-match-1216544/full-scorec
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/kings-xi-punjab-vs-
sunrisers-hyderabad-43rd-match-1216498/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/kolkata-knight-riders-vs-
delhi-capitals-42nd-match-1216497/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/chennai-super-kings-vs-
mumbai-indians-41st-match-1216521/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/rajasthan-royals-vs-
sunrisers-hyderabad-40th-match-1216518/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/kolkata-knight-riders-vs-
royal-challengers-bangalore-39th-match-1216494/full-scor
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/kings-xi-punjab-vs-delhi-
capitals-38th-match-1216546/full-scorecard
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rajasthan-royals-37th-match-1216533/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/mumbai-indians-vs-kings-
xi-punjab-36th-match-1216517/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/sunrisers-hyderabad-vs-
kolkata-knight-riders-35th-match-1216512/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/delhi-capitals-vs-chennai-
super-kings-34th-match-1216509/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/rajasthan-royals-vs-royal-
challengers-bangalore-33rd-match-1216522/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/mumbai-indians-vs-kolkata-
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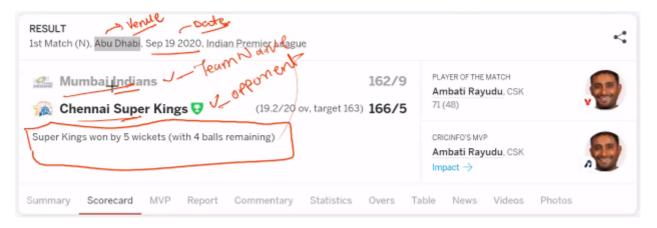
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knight-riders-32nd-match-1216526/full-scorecard
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bangalore-vs-kings-xi-punjab-31st-match-1216531/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/delhi-capitals-vs-
rajasthan-royals-30th-match-1216543/full-scorecard
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chennai-super-kings-29th-match-1216528/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/royal-challengers-
bangalore-vs-kolkata-knight-riders-28th-match-1216540/full-scor
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https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/mumbai-indians-vs-delhi-
capitals-27th-match-1216529/full-scorecard
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rajasthan-royals-26th-match-1216507/full-scorecard
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royal-challengers-bangalore-25th-match-1216525/full-scorec
ard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/kings-xi-punjab-vs-
kolkata-knight-riders-24th-match-1216523/full-scorecard
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capitals-23rd-match-1216500/full-scorecard
https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/sunrisers-hyderabad-vs-
kings-xi-punjab-22nd-match-1216542/full-scorecard
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chennai-super-kings-21st-match-1216501/full-scorecard
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rajasthan-royals-20th-match-1216511/full-scorecard
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bangalore-vs-delhi-capitals-19th-match-1216519/full-scorecard
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chennai-super-kings-18th-match-1216513/full-scorecard
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sunrisers-hyderabad-17th-match-1216538/full-scorecard
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knight-riders-16th-match-1216515/full-scorecard
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sunrisers-hyderabad-14th-match-1216516/full-scorecard
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indians-13th-match-1216503/full-scorecard
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kolkata-knight-riders-12th-match-1216504/full-scorecard
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sunrisers-hyderabad-11th-match-1216532/full-scorecard
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bangalore-vs-mumbai-indians-10th-match-1216547/full-scorecard
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xi-punjab-9th-match-1216527/full-scorecard
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sunrisers-hyderabad-8th-match-1216545/full-scorecard
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delhi-capitals-7th-match-1216539/full-scorecard
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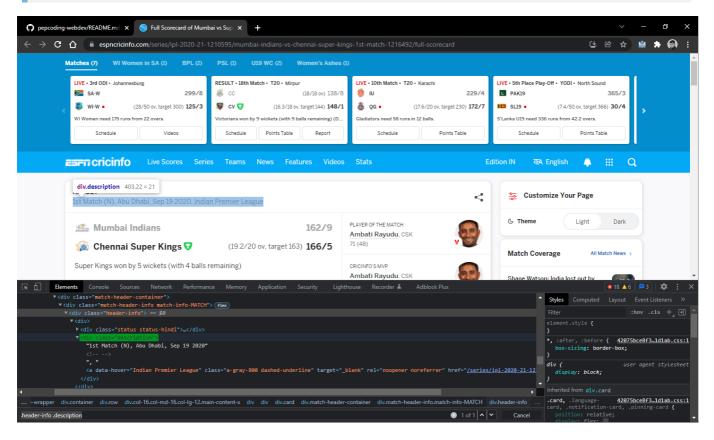
The scorecard page is a table with tr and td

The idea:

Task: Scrape following data from the scorecard page



idea for the task was to use split() on the string and then use a for loop to iterate through the array



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iterate through the array
const url =
  "https://www.espncricinfo.com/series/ipl-2020-21-1210595/mumbai-indians-vs-
chennai-super-kings-1st-match-1216492/full-scorecard";
const cheerio = require("cheerio");
const request = require("request");
request(url, cb);
function cb(error, response, html) {
 if (error) {
   console.error(error);
  } else {
    extractMatchDetails(html);
}
function extractMatchDetails(html) {
  const $ = cheerio.load(html);
 let descString = $(".header-info .description").text();
 let descStringArr = descString.split(",");
  console.log(descStringArr);
}
```

Output:

```
$ node scorecard.js
[
   '1st Match (N)',
   'Abu Dhabi',
   'Sep 19 2020',
   'Indian Premier League'
]
```

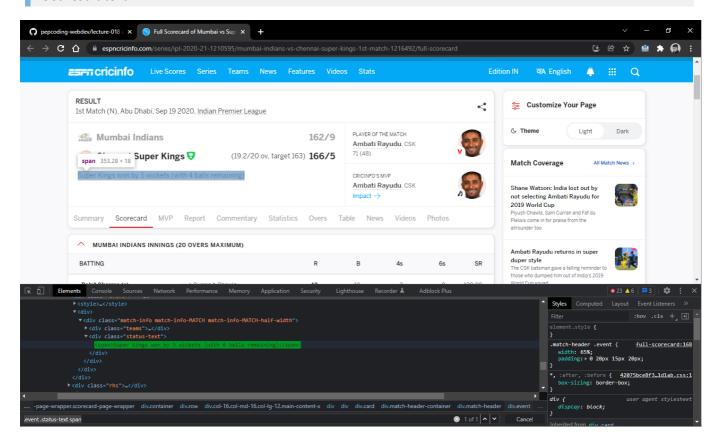
Improvement: Added venue, date and series name to the output

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 let descStringArr = descString.split(",");
 // console.log(descStringArr);
 let venue = descStringArr[1].trim(); // using trim() to remove the white space
is a good practice
 let date = descStringArr[2].trim();
 let matchType = descStringArr[3].trim();
 console.log(venue);
 console.log(date);
  console.log(matchType);
}
```

```
$ node scorecard.js
Abu Dhabi
```

Sep 19 2020 Indian Premier League

Get result text



Note: To select the desired class use parent class and then child class (desendent)

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let date = descStringArr[2].trim();
let matchType = descStringArr[3].trim();
let results = $(".event .status-text span").text();
console.log(`Match Details: ${venue}, ${date}, ${matchType}`);
console.log(`Match Results: ${results}`);
}
```

Output:

```
$ node scorecard.js
Match Details: Abu Dhabi, Sep 19 2020, Indian Premier League
Match Results: Super Kings won by 5 wickets (with 4 balls remaining)
```

Next Class: Retrive Team Name, get batsman details and repeat the process for all the matches, and explore the excel module to create a spreadsheet with the data