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IMDB SOFTWARE OF HOLLYWOOD ACTORS AND ACTRESSES. TASK 2

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Introduction

In this report, a partial result of the project will be presented, focusing on the functionality for scraping and displaying actor-related information. The implemented features include extracting details such as actor names, photos, biographies, and a comprehensive list of movies with key attributes such as titles, release years, genres, ratings, and poster URLs. This information is stored locally in a structured format, enabling a user-friendly graphical interface to present the data.

The interface allows users to browse a list of actors, view detailed biographies, and explore movie-related information in an organized manner. Additionally, the project employs a well-structured Page Object Model to ensure scalability, maintainability, and clarity in the codebase.

The following sections describe the completed functionalities and provide the corresponding pseudocode for the implemented features.

Used data and tools

Data was collected from the IMDb website and stored in a JSON file format. The data includes detailed information about actors, such as their names, photos (saved locally), biographies, and a list of movies with attributes like title, release year, genres, ratings, and poster URLs.

The project was developed using **JetBrains PyCharm** as the primary coding environment. Web scraping was performed with the **Selenium** library to interact with the IMDb website dynamically. For data management, Python's **JSON** module was used to process and store the scraped information in structured formats such as dictionaries and lists.

To ensure a clear and maintainable structure, the project follows the **Page Object Model** design pattern. This approach organizes the scraping logic into distinct classes and methods, facilitating scalability and readability in the codebase.

Overview of Current Implementation

At this stage, the project includes both a web scraping functionality to gather data about actors and their movies and the graphical user interface to display the collected information. The implementation is split into two parts: the data scraping process and the GUI creation.

Web Scraping and Data Saving:

The primary functionalities achieved so far in relation to scraping and data storage are as follows:

Actor Information Scraping:

- > The actor's name is extracted and stored
- > The actor's photograph is downloaded and saved locally
- > The biography of the actor is collected

Movie Information Scraping:

- > Title of the movie
- > Year of release
- > A link to the movie poster (downloading all posters was deemed inefficient and is thus not implemented)
- > Movie rating, if available
- Movie genres

Structured Design:

The project is implemented using the **Page Object Model** design pattern to ensure maintainability and clarity. Each page's interactions and locators are encapsulated in their respective classes, allowing for a modular and organized approach to the web scraping process.

GUI Implementation:

The GUI part of the project is implemented using **Tkinter** and is designed to display the actors' information, including their names, photos, biographical details, and movies they have appeared in.

The following features are part of the current GUI implementation:

1. Actor List View:

➤ The main window presents a list of actors, each represented by a button with the actor's name and a thumbnail photo. Clicking on a button opens a detailed view of the actor.

2. Actor Information Window:

When an actor is selected, a new window opens showing:

- Actor's full name and age (calculated from the date of birth).
- Actor's biography in a scrollable text field.
- A button to view the actor's movie list.

3. Movie List View:

A separate window displays the list of movies the actor has been involved in, including:

- Movie title, release year, rating, and genres.
- A thumbnail image of the movie poster (if available).

4. Scroll Functionality:

The application supports scrolling for the actor list and the movie list to handle potentially large data sets efficiently.

Pseudocode

Pseudocode for Web Scraping Functionality

This subsection describes the pseudocode for the web scraping functionality that extracts data about Hollywood actors and their movies. The process involves scraping actor details, movie information, and storing it in a structured JSON format, which will be later used in the Tkinter-based GUI application.

Main Scraping Program Flow:

```
START

SET home_page_url = "https://www.imdb.com/list/ls053501318/"

INIT driver with browser and options

NAVIGATE to home_page_url

CREATE instance of ActorsListPage(driver)
```

```
CALL actors page.click accept cookies()
 SET actors = actors_page.get_actors()
 IF "actors data.json" exists:
     LOAD actors data from JSON file
     SET processed actors = {actor['name'] for actor in actors data}
 ELSE:
     INIT actors data as an empty list
     SET processed actors = empty set
 FOR actor in actors:
     IF actor['name'] in processed actors:
         SKIP to next actor
     CALL actors page.click by title(actor['name'])
     CREATE instance of ActorPage(driver)
     SET actor name = act page.get actor name()
     SET date of birth = act page.get date of birth()
     SET photo_url = act_page.get_photo_url()
     CALL download img(photo url, actor name)
     CALL act page.open bio page()
     CREATE instance of BiographyPage(driver)
     SET biography = bio page.get biography()
     CALL driver.back()
     CALL act_page.expand_list_of_movies()
     INIT movies as empty list
     SET number of movies = act page.get count of movies()
      FOR index in range(1, number of movies + 1):
          SET movie data = act page.get movie data by index(index)
         APPEND movie_data to movies
     CREATE actor_info dictionary:
          - "name": actor name
          - "photo_path": f"{actor_name.lower().replace(' ', '_')}.jpg"
          - "date_of_birth": date_of_birth
          - "biography": biography
          - "movies": movies
     APPEND actor info to actors data
     SAVE actors data to "actors data.json"
     CALL driver.back()
 CALL driver.quit()
END
```

ActorsListPage:

```
CLASS ActorsListPage:
    FUNCTION get_actors():
        CALL self.find_elements(locator)
        RETURN list of actor names and links

FUNCTION click_accept_cookies():
        CALL self.click_on(locator)

FUNCTION click_by_title(actor_name):
        CALL self.click_on(title_with_text(actor_name))
```

ActorPage:

```
CLASS ActorPage:
 FUNCTION get actor name():
      CALL self.find element(locator)
      RETURN text of actor name element
  FUNCTION get date of birth():
      CALL self.find element(locator)
      RETURN text of date of birth element
  FUNCTION get photo url():
     CALL self.find_element(locator)
      RETURN "src" attribute of photo element
  FUNCTION expand_list_of_movies():
      CALL self.click on(locator)
  FUNCTION get movie data by index(index):
      CALL self.get_movie_image_by_index(index)
      CALL self.click_on_movie_by_index(index)
      SCRAPE:
        - title
        - year
        - genres
        - rating
      CALL self.click_on(CLOSE_MOVIE_BLOCK BTN)
      RETURN movie data as dictionary
```

BiographyPage:

```
CLASS BiographyPage:

FUNCTION get_biography():

CALL self.find_element(locator)

RETURN text of biography element
```

BasePage:

```
CLASS BasePage:
  FUNCTION find element (locator):
      CALL WebDriverWait (driver,
timeout).until(EC.visibility of element located(locator))
      RETURN element
  FUNCTION find elements (locator):
      CALL WebDriverWait (driver,
timeout).until(EC.presence of all elements located(locator))
      RETURN list of elements
  FUNCTION click on(locator):
      CALL self.scroll to element(locator)
      CALL element.click()
  FUNCTION try click(locator, retries, delay):
      ATTEMPT retries times:
          TRY:
              SCROLL to element
              CLICK element
              RETURN success
          CATCH exception:
              WAIT delay seconds
      RAISE exception if all attempts fail
```

Pseudocode for Tkinter-based GUI Functionality

This subsection describes the pseudocode for the Tkinter-based GUI functionality. It explains how the actor data (scraped in the previous subsection) is presented in the GUI, how actor details and movie information are displayed in different windows, and how the user can interact with the interface.

```
START
  LOAD actor data from "actors_data.json"
 CREATE main window
  SET window title to "Vladyslav Keidaliuk - Project 2. Hollywood Actors and
Actresses"
  CREATE scrollable frame for actor buttons
  CALL show actors()
  FUNCTION show actors():
      SET columns = 3
      SET row = 0
      SET col = 0
      FOR actor in actor data:
          CREATE button for actor with name and photo
          SET button action to show actor info(actor)
          ADD button to grid in main window
          IF col >= columns:
              RESET col to 0
              INCREMENT row by 1
          ELSE:
              INCREMENT col by 1
  FUNCTION show_actor_info(actor_name):
      SET actor = find_actor_in_data(actor_name)
      IF actor is not found:
          RETURN
      CREATE new window for actor details
      DISPLAY actor name, date of birth, and biography in text box
      DISPLAY button to show actor's movies
      FUNCTION show_actor_movies(actor_name):
          SET actor = find_actor_in_data(actor_name)
          CREATE new window for actor's movies
          DISPLAY movie details (title, year, rating, genres)
          IF movie has an image:
              DOWNLOAD and show movie poster
          END loop
  FUNCTION find_actor_in_data(actor_name):
      FOR actor in actor_data:
```

```
IF actor name matches actor_name:

RETURN actor

RUN GUI main loop to keep window open

END
```

Solution Examples

In this chapter, we present an example of code that demonstrates how actor and movie information is scraped from a web page using Selenium. This example shows the **ActorPage** class, which includes the various methods and elements used to extract data such as actor details, their movie list, movie ratings, and images. The methods in this class are designed to interact with specific parts of the web page and return the required information.

Python code:

```
class ActorPage(BasePage):
   PHOTO = (By.XPATH,
             "//img[contains(@class, 'poster') or contains(@alt, 'Primary')]")
   ABOUT = (Bv.XPATH,
             "//div[@id='name-bio-text']//div[@class='inline']")
   MOVIES = (By.XPATH,
              "//div[contains(@class,'filmo-row')]")
   BIO LINK ELEMENT = (By.XPATH,
                        "//div[starts-with(@class,'ipc-html-content ipc-html-content-
baseAlt')]")
    DATE OF BIRTH = (By.XPATH,
                     "(//div[@data-testid='birth-and-death-birthdate']/span)[4]")
    COUNT OF ACTOR MOVIES = (By.XPATH,
                             "//*[@id='actor-previous-
projects']/div[1]/label/span[1]/ul/li[2]")
    COUNT OF ACTRESS MOVIES = (By.XPATH,
                               "//*[@id='actress-previous-
projects']/div[1]/label/span[1]/ul/li[2]")
    SEE ALL BTN ACTOR = (By.XPATH,
                         "//button[@data-testid='nm-flmg-paginated-all-actor']")
    SEE ALL BTN ACTRESS = (By.XPATH,
                           "//button[@data-testid='nm-flmg-paginated-all-actress']")
   MOVIE TITLE = (By.XPATH,
                   "//h3[@class='ipc-title text prompt-title-text']")
    CLOSE MOVIE BLOCK BTN = (By.XPATH,
                             "//button[@title='Close Prompt']")
    RELEASE YEAR = (By.XPATH,
```

```
"//ul[@data-testid='btp ml']/li[1]")
    LIST_OF_GENRES = (By.XPATH,
                      "//ul[@data-testid='btp gl']/li")
    RATING OF MOVIE = (By.XPATH,
                       "//div[@data-testid='btp rt']//span[@class='ipc-rating-star--
rating']")
    AWARDS LINK ELEMENT = (By.XPATH,
                           "//a[text()='Awards' and starts-with(@class,'ipc-link')]")
    def actor movie image by index(self, index):
        return (By.XPATH,
                f"(//div[@id='accordion-item-actor-previous-
projects']//img[@class='ipc-image'])[{index}]")
    def actress movie image by index(self, index):
        return (By.XPATH,
                f"(//div[@id='accordion-item-actress-previous-
projects']//img[@class='ipc-image'])[{index}]")
    def get_movie_image_by_index(self, index):
        try:
            element = self.find element(self.actor movie image by index(index))
            return element.get attribute('src')
        except:
            try:
                element = self.find element(self.actress movie image by index(index))
                return element.get attribute('src')
            except:
                return "No image"
    def actor_movie_block_by_index(self, index):
        return (By.XPATH,
                (f"//div[@id='accordion-item-actor-previous-
projects']/div/ul/li[{index}]//button["
                          f"@aria-label='More']"))
    def actress movie block by index(self, index):
        return (By.XPATH,
                (f"//div[@id='accordion-item-actress-previous-
projects']/div/ul/li[{index}]//button["
                          f"@aria-label='More']"))
    def bio btn(self):
        return (By.XPATH,
                "//button[text()='Accept']")
    def get photo url(self):
        return self.find element(*self.PHOTO).get attribute("src")
```

```
def get_actor_name(self):
        return self.find element((By.XPATH,
                                  "//span[@class='hero primary-text']")).text
   def get about(self):
        return self.find element(*self.ABOUT).text.strip()
   def get movies(self):
       movie elements = self.find elements(*self.MOVIES)
       movies = []
       for movie in movie elements:
           title = movie.find element(By.TAG NAME, "b").text.strip()
           year = movie.find element(By.XPATH,
                                      ".//span[contains(@class,
'year column')]").text.strip()
           movies.append({"title": title, "year": year})
       return movies
   def open_bio_page(self):
       self.click on(self.BIO LINK ELEMENT)
   def get date of birth(self):
       return self.find element(self.DATE OF BIRTH).text
   def get count of movies(self):
       try:
           return int(self.find element(self.COUNT OF ACTOR MOVIES).text)
           return int(self.find element(self.COUNT OF ACTRESS MOVIES).text)
   def expand list of movies(self):
       try:
            self.find element(self.SEE ALL BTN ACTOR).click()
       except:
                self.find element(self.SEE ALL BTN ACTRESS).click()
           except:
                print("No btn 'SEE ALL")
   def click on movie by index(self, index):
           self.try click(self.actor movie block by index(index))
       except:
            self.try click(self.actress movie block by index(index))
   def click on close btn movie block(self):
```

```
self.find element(self.CLOSE MOVIE BLOCK BTN).click()
def get rating of movie (self):
   try:
        return float(self.find element(self.RATING OF MOVIE).text)
   except:
       return "Not rated"
def get_movie_data_by_index(self, index):
   image_link = self.get_movie_image_by_index(index)
   self.click on movie by index(index)
   title = self.find element(self.MOVIE TITLE).text
   year = self.find element(self.RELEASE YEAR).text
    genres = self.find elements(self.LIST OF GENRES)
   list of genres = [genre.text for genre in genres]
   rating = self.get_rating_of_movie()
   movie_data = {
        "title": title,
        "year": year,
        "image link": image link,
        "rating": rating,
        "genres": list of genres
    }
   self.click on(self.CLOSE MOVIE BLOCK BTN)
   return movie data
def open_awards_page(self):
    self.try click(self.AWARDS LINK ELEMENT)
```

Demonstration of the GUI

At this stage, a demonstration of the graphical user interface (GUI) has been implemented using the Tkinter module. The interface provides a functional structure for interacting with the scraped data related to Hollywood actors and their movies. The key features of the GUI implemented so far include:

• Displaying a list of actors.

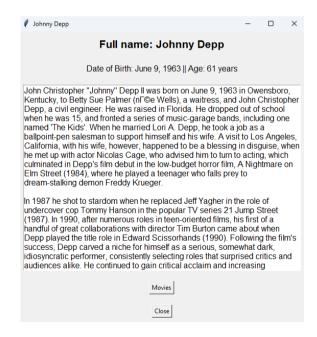
- Allowing users to click on an actor's name to view their details.
- Showing basic actor information such as name, biography, and photo.
- Providing a list of movies associated with the actor, including movie titles, release years, and ratings.

While this implementation is functional, it is not the final version of the GUI.



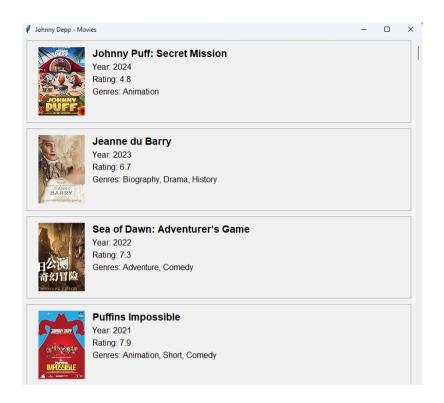
Picture 1. Main Page of application

After clicking on a particular actor, a page will open with their biography and the ability to go to a list of movies.



Picture 2. Information Page about actor/actress

If you click on the "Movies" button, a list of movies will be displayed.



Picture 3. Page with list of movies

Next steps

1. Scrape Actor/Actress Awards:

- > Need to implement functionality to scrape and display the awards associated with each actor/actress, including awards received in different years.
- 2. Implement Method to Gather All Movie Genres for an Actor/Actress:
 - ➤ Need to create a method that will iterate through all the movies in an actor's or actress's filmography, extract the genres of each movie, and then display a list of all unique genres associated with that actor or actress.
- 3. Display Average Movie Rating:
 - > Need to calculate and show the average rating of all movies associated with an actor/actress, both overall and by year.

4. Display Top 5 Movies:

> Identify and display the top 5 movies for each actor/actress based on their ratings

Conclusion

This report outlines the partial progress of the project, which focuses on scraping and displaying comprehensive data related to Hollywood actors and actresses. The completed steps include the setup and initialization of the web scraping system, which successfully extracts key actor details such as names, biographies, movie lists, genres, and ratings. Additionally, the graphical user interface (GUI) has been developed, allowing users to view actor profiles, including biographies and filmographies, in a user-friendly format.

The next phase of the project will involve implementing several essential features, such as scraping actor and actress awards, calculating average movie ratings, and displaying a list of all unique movie genres associated with each actor and displaying the top 5 movies based on ratings.

In conclusion, the project is progressing well, with the core functionalities for web scraping, data storage, and user interaction already established. The final version will feature a comprehensive IMDb-style recommendation system, highlighting top Hollywood actors and actresses based on dynamically retrieved and detailed information.